'Give' Serial Verb Constructions in Zauzou: Beyond Benefactive and Malefactive

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Background (1)

- Benefactive and malefactive constructions with 'give' serial verb are observed among several Tibeto-Burman (TB) languages (Bickel 2003, Peterson 2006, Subbarao, Hakacham & Sarju Devi 2007, So-Hartmann 2009, Peng & Chappell 2011, Konnerth 2014, Schackow 2015).
- Researches about other usage beyond benefactive and malefactive with 'give' serial verb are very few.

Background (2)

- Brief description of pi¹³ (give) serial verb constructions as benefactive in Zauzou are introduced in Sun, Huang and Zhou (2002).
- No detailed description for pi¹³ (give) serial verb constructions in general, which have rich usages including other usage beyond benefactive and malefactive.

Objective

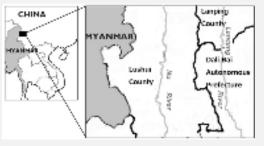
- Introducing three usages of pi¹³ (give) serial verb constructions in Zauzou, namely benefactive, malefactive, and especially inactive, which is proposed to newly add to the general usage of give serial verb constructions
- Semantic and syntactic analyze of the three usages in comparison

Roadmap

- Brief overview of Zauzou language
- pi¹³ (give) as a full verb
- pi¹³ in serialization
- pi¹³ as benefactive / malefactive / inactive
- Dative subject in inactive constructions
- Comparison among benefactive, malefactive and inactive
- Future tasks

Language Overview (I)

 Zauzou is a Loloish language, which has about 3000 native speakers in Lanping County and Lushui County, Yunnan, China (Lanpingxian Nuzu xuehui 2015).



Language Overview (2)

Phonological Inventory

Consonants: p, ph, t, th, k, kh, ?, ts, tsh, te, teh, $f, s, \varepsilon, x, h, v, z, z, y, m, n, \eta, \eta, l$

Vowels (Non Nasal): $i, \gamma, u, \omega, e, \varepsilon, o, \sigma, a$

(Nasal): $\tilde{\mathbf{i}}$, $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}$, $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}$, $\tilde{\mathbf{e}}$, $\tilde{\mathbf{e}}$, $\tilde{\mathbf{o}}$, $\tilde{\mathbf{o}}$, $\tilde{\mathbf{a}}$

Tonemes: 55, 33, 53, 31, 35, 13

Syllable Structure: (C1)V1(V2)(V3), C1C2

Language Overview (3)

Syntactic Features

Basic Word Order: SOV

Noun Phrase Slots (Miyagishi and Li 2018):

[Relative Clause]+[Demonstrative/Possessive Noun]+
[Adjective]+[Noun]+ [Head Noun] +[Adjective]+
[Demonstrative/Interrogative]+[Numeral]+[Classifier]+

[Case / Topic Marker]

Language Overview (4)

Case Markings (Miyagishi and Li 2017)

 ϕ : Nominative, Accusative, Locative, Goal

?ɔ³¹: Dative, Accusative

xe31: Agentive, Abblative, Instrumental

te³³: Goal (from ~to~)

the³⁵: Comitatve

tui³³ (tho53): Comparative

ze³³: Genetive

(Genetive marker is often omitted and never used

when it modifies a human noun.)

pi13 as a Full Verb

(1) $\eta \tilde{u}^{33}$ tw⁵⁵ $7 \sigma^{31}$ eyi¹³li³³ $n \epsilon^{53}$ l ϵ^{31} $\underline{pi^{13}}$ zo³¹. 1SG 3SG DAT pear two CLS give ASP I have just given him/her two pears.

pi¹³ in Serialization

The first verb

lexical verb (Main verb)

The second verb

pi¹³ (Auxiliary verb)

mõ³⁵ pi¹³ teach give

pa⁵³ pi^{1<u>3</u>} beat give

pi¹³ as Benefactive (1)

Non Valency Increasing Type

(3) $tu^{55} s\gamma^{33}\eta\tilde{a}^{55} za^{33} 75^{31} \underline{\eta}\epsilon^{33}\underline{p}i^{13}$ to^{53} . 3SG child CLS ACC see give ASP He/She is taking care of the child (for his or her sake).

(4) $u\tilde{a}^{53} lo^{31}s\eta^{31} ?o^{31} eio^{35}ts\tilde{a}^{31} za^{33}xe^{31}\underline{pio^{31}za^{53}pi^{13}} ?u^{13}zo^{31}$. Wang teacher ACC principal CLS AGT admire give ASP The principal has admired Mr/Ms Wang.

Benefactive recipient (Van Valin and LaPolla 1997)

(5) $\eta u^{33} tu^{55} ? \sigma^{31} ? \sigma^{53} x \sigma^{31} 2 \sigma^{31} pi^{13}$.

1SG 3SG DAT pig meat sell give
I will sell him/her pork (for his/her sake).

pi¹³ as Benefactive (2)

Valency Increasing Type

- Plain benefactive (Van Valin and LaPolla 1997)
- (6) tu⁵⁵ tuu³¹ ka³³ le³³ teia⁵³tuu¹³?2³¹ ŋɔ³¹mu³³pi¹³ teiä⁵⁵.

 3SG arrive place CLS others DAT work give MOD

 Wherever he goes, he works for others, you know?
- (7) ŋu³³ ŋɔ³¹ 2ɔ³¹ ci⁵⁵ pi¹³ ?a³¹teyu⁵³.

 1SG 2SG DAT die give MOD

 I may die for you, don't worry.
- Benefactive recipient (Van Valin and LaPolla 1997)

Mr. Wang has repaired the wrist watch for me.

pi13 as Benefactive (3)

Deputative Benefactive (Van Valin & LaPolla 1997)

(9) ŋu³³ tu⁵⁵ ?ɔ³¹ pw¹³tcī³¹ zq³³ ciu⁵³ pi¹³.

1SG 3SG DAT Beijin go replace give I go to Beijin in place of him/her.

cf

(10) $\eta u^{33} tu^{55} 2 \sigma^{31} puu^{13} te \tilde{i}^{31} z_1 \frac{33}{3} pi^{13}$. 1SG 3SG DAT Beijin go give I go to Beijin for him/her (with him/her)

pi13 as Benefactive (4)

Situational Benefactive (1)

At nine o'clock the sun has lit the village (for the villagers' sake).

pi13 as Benefactive (5)

Situational Benefactive (2)

sake.

- (12) εi^{31} tse³³ $7a^{33}$ va⁵³ $n\varepsilon^{33}$ tw⁵⁵ $l\varepsilon^{31}$ $\underline{ta^{53}}$ $\underline{pi^{13}}$ te³³zo³¹. peach tree this year TOP it fruit bear give ASP Peach trees have beard fruit this year (for our sake).
- $(13)\ \gamma\epsilon^{33}pui^{13}\ kui^{55}\ \eta\tilde{o}^{33}\ tui^{13}\ ts\epsilon^{53}\quad 7e^{31}\ \underline{t\epsilon yu}^{33}tui^{31}\ ?o^{31}$ pond in fish PL usual too people DAT $\underline{lo^{13}\ pi^{13}}\ to^{53}\ xe^{31}.$ live give ASP The fishes in the pond are living as usual for the people's

pi¹³ as Malefactive (I)

- (14) $tu^{55} la^{53} ext{ } xe^{31} ext{ } teyu^{33} ext{ } tuu^{13} ext{ } ?5^{31} ext{ } \frac{tho^{33}no^{33} ext{ } pi^{13}}{20^{31}} ext{ } zo^{31}.$ 3SG stone INST person PL ACC beat give ASP He/She hit people with stones.
- (16) $\eta \tilde{u}^{33} \times e^{31} t u^{55} \sin^{33} \eta \tilde{a}^{55} z a^{33} ? 5^{31} \frac{t \epsilon y e^{53} ? a^{35} p i^{13}}{1 \text{ CLS ACC slip down give ASP}} z o^{31}$.

 1SG AGT 3SG child CLS ACC slip down give ASP I made his/her child slip down.

pi¹³ as Malefactive (2)

- $(17)\ vu^{53}\ tuu^{13}\ l\upsilon^{13}pa^{53}\ vu^{13}\ 2\upsilon^{31}\ \underline{se^{31}\ tsou^{31}\ pi^{13}}\ teia^{53}zo^{31}.$ mouse PL sunflower PL ACC bite eat give ASP The mice has eaten up sunflower seeds.
- (18) $ta^{55}uo^{13} ?o^{33} xe^{31} nu^{31} ko^{33} ?o^{31} tuu^{31}teiã^{31} \underline{pa^{33}} \underline{pi^{13}}$?u¹³. bee CLS AGT cow CLS ACC once sting give ASP The bee has stung the cow.

pi¹³ as Malefactive (3)

Situational malefactive

- (19) $7a^{31} \eta 5^{33} n \epsilon^{31} 7a^{33} s u s^{31} 2a^{31} c i 5^{13} c i 5^{13} m u s^{31} t c h i a^{53}$ Tonight TOP this like continuously lightning $\frac{phu^{53} p i^{13}}{1}$ to $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{1}{3}$.
 - struck give ASP

Lightning has been striking so continuously tonight.

- - shot out give ASP

Due to the rain fall, all the wheat seeds have shotten out sprouts.

pi13 as Inactive (1)

Uncontrollability

- (21) $s1^{33}$ $\eta \tilde{a}^{55}$ za^{33} tw³¹tci \tilde{a}^{31} ? e^{31} ? a^{31} $\underline{\eta} \tilde{a}^{53}$ $\underline{m}e^{13}$ $\underline{p}i^{13}$ $\underline{m}s^{31}$. child CLS a little even not sleep give MOD The child cannot sleep at all. (uncontrollably)
 - cf. $s_1^{33}\eta_a^{55}z_a^{33}tuu^{31}teia^{31} ?e^{31} ?a^{31}\underline{\eta_a^{53}me^{13}}mb^{31}$. child CLS a little even not sleep MOD The child does not sleep at all. (intentionally)
- (22) $\sin^{33} x \sigma^{33}$ $7a^{31} ph\epsilon^{53}$ za^{13} $\underline{ph\epsilon^{55}}$ $\underline{ciu^{35}}\underline{pi^{13}}$ $z\epsilon^{13}$. long time not shoot CONJ shoot miss give MOD I had not shot arrays for long, so I missed the target.

pi13 as Inactive (2)

Happenstantiality

- (23) c_1^{31} kua³¹ $2a^{33}$ phu³⁵ phi e^{31} teia⁵³ pi¹³ to⁵³zo³¹. watermelon this CLS be rotten give ASP This watermelon has been rotten.
- (24) za^{35} teie³¹ teiu⁵⁵ $xo^{55}sur^{31}$ tha³³tur⁵³ pi¹³ to⁵³? rope new CLS why be cut give ASP Why was the new rope cut?
- (25) $nu^{31} k\tilde{o}^{33} tchi^{33} pho^{53} ?a^{33} sw^{31} uo^{31} tchiu^{55} pi^{13}$ to⁵³. cow CLS leg CLS this like swell up give ASP The cow's leg swell up this much.

pi13 as Inactive (3)

Fatality

This old man is forced to live crouched in a mountain cave for a lifetime.

pi13 as Inactive (4)

Luckiness

- (27) xe^{13} za^{33} lo^{53} pho⁵³ $y\tilde{u}^{33}$ tw³¹tei \tilde{a}^{31} $\underline{tee^{33}}$ pi¹³ $2u^{31}zo^{31}$. Han race hand CLS 1SG once clasp give ASP It was fortunate for me to shake hands with a Han person once.

pi¹³ as Inactive (5)

Dative Subject (1): Experiencer (unfortunate)

- $(30)\ la^{53}\quad l\epsilon^{31}\quad xe^{31}\quad \underline{tu^{55}\quad 7\sigma^{31}}\quad \underline{thyi^{31}7a^{35}pi^{13}}\quad 2u^{13}zo^{31}.$ stone CLS INST 3SG DAT stumble give ASP He/She stumbled over a stone.

pi13 as Inactive (6)

Dative Subject (2): Experiencer (fortunate)

- (31) $\underline{\eta} u^{33} ? \underline{\sigma}^{31}$ nuyi³³ $t u u^{31} l \varepsilon^{31} \underline{u} u e^{55}$ $\underline{p} i^{13}$ u^{13} . 1SG DAT money one CLS pick up give ASP It was fortunate for me to pick up one yuan coin.
- (32) $m w^{31} l \epsilon^{31} x e^{31} tshi \tilde{a}^{31} tshyi^{31} z a^{33} mi^{33}$ zj³¹ kw³³ ju³³ ?ɔ³¹ heaven INST General CLS clothes big CLS 1SG DAT $tw^{31} tshiã^{31} \underline{va^{53} pi^{13}}$ $-7u^{13}zo^{31}$.

wear give ASP

Thanks to Heaven, I was able to wear the general's clothes.

pi13 as Inactive (7)

Dative Subject (3): Patient

(33) $p\epsilon^{13}zu^{31}$ pm 13 t ϵ^{31} ?a 31 n ϵ^{13} kh \tilde{a}^{31} z ϵ^{33} l ϵ^{33} ? σ^{31} earthquake because ancient house CLS DAT $\underline{\text{teiu}^{53} \, 7a^{33} \, \, \text{pi}^{13}} \, \, \text{zo}^{31}$.

collapse give ASP

An old house collapsed by the earthquake.

Comparison between Benefactive and Malefactive

- $(34) \,\, \mathfrak{z}^{33} \,\, tw^{31} \, 7o^{33} \, \mathfrak{z}^{33} mu^{35} \, z \epsilon^{31} \,\, kw^{55} \, \underline{pi} \, z^{33} \, 7o^{33} \,\, \underline{pi}^{13} \,\, -le^{13} to^{53}.$ bird one CLS 1PL house in fly enter give ASP = benefactive: A bird has flied in our house (fortunately). = malefactive: A bird has flied in our house (unfortunately).
- (35) $\eta \sigma^{33} t u u^{31} ? \sigma^{33} \underline{\eta u^{33} m u^{35} ? \sigma^{31}} z \epsilon^{31} k u u^{55} \underline{p i \sigma^{33} ? \sigma^{33} \underline{p i^{13}}} l e^{13} t \sigma^{53}$. bird one CLS 1PL DAT house in fly enter give ASP
 - = benefactive: A bird has flied in our house for our sake.
- (36) $7a^{31} tce^{33} zao^{33}$, $\eta o^{33} tuu^{31} 7o^{33} \eta \tilde{u}^{55} mu^{35} z\epsilon^{31} kuu^{55}$ not good MOD bird one CLS 1PL house in pio³³ ?o³³ pi¹³ le¹³to⁵³.

fly enter give ASP

= malefactive: Oh, no! A bird has flied in our house.

Comparison between Benefactive and Inactive

(37) $tsa^{33} kho^{35} ?a^{33} za^{33} tm^{31} tshe^{53} tshe^{53} tcie^{13}$ old man this CLS lifetime 75^{31} tõ 31 to 31 kw 55 ni 33 pi 13 to 53 .

mountain cave in live give ASP

- =Inactive (unfortunate): This old man is forced to live in a mountain cave for a lifetime.
- =Inactive (fortunate): This old man is fortunate to live in a mountain cave for a lifetime.
- (38) $\tan^{33} kh^{35} ?a^{33} za^{33} tuu^{31} tsh \epsilon^{53} tsh \epsilon^{53} tei \epsilon^{13} tuu^{31} z \epsilon^{33} ?o^{31}$ old man this CLS lifetime $75^{31}t0^{31}$ km 55 ηi^{33} pi^{13} to 53 . mountain cave in live give ASP family DAT
 - =Benefactive: This old man live in a mountain cave for a lifetime for the sake of his family.

Conclusion

	Subject		Valency
	Semantic Roles	Case Markings	increasing
Benefactive	Benefactor	nominative / agentive	possible
Malefactive	Malefactor	nominative / agentive	impossible
Inactive	Experiencer / Patient	nominative / dative-accusative	impossible

Future Tasks (I)

Areal and genealogical distribution of inactive constructions using 'give' serial verb

Yakkha: a Kiranti language spoken in Nepal. Affected-participant usage of 'give' (Schackow 2015)

- (39) wasik n-da-ya-n, nnakha ghak her-a-by-a=hon. rain not-come-PST-not that all dry-PST-give-PST-SEQ It did not rain, (and) after all that (i.e., their crops) dried up. (Schackow 2015:299)
- (40) ka tug-a-by-a-ŋ=na.

1SG get_ill-PST-give-PST-1SG=NMLZ.SG

(Schackow 2015:299)

Are there any similar examples in other TB languages?

Future Tasks (2)

Comparison of inactive constructions using 'give' serial verb among different TB languages

Similarities between Zauzou and Yakkha volitional agent and an intentional action were not implied.

Differences between Zauzou and Yakkha Yakkha's inactive constructions seem to be applicable only to express undesirable events.

Is it possible to develop the typological study of 'give' serial verb?

Future Tasks (3)

Dative subject constructions in TB languages

Some western TB languages have dative subject constructions influenced by the neighbouring Indo-Aryan languages (Zeislerv 2004, Subbarao, Hakacham & Sarju Devi 2007)

Are there any other lanuages which have dative subject constructions than Zauzou in the eastern group of TB languages?

What is the difference between dative subject constructions in western TB languages and those of Zauzou?

Abbreviation

ACC: acusative marker
ASP: aspect marker
CONJ: conjunction
DAT: dative marker
INST: instrumental marker
NMLZ: nominalizer
PL: purual marker

PST: past REL: relative clause marker SEQ: sequential SG: singular

TOP: topic maker 1PL: first-person purual 1SG: first-person singular 2SG: second-person singular

3SG: third-person singular

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