

## Nominalization in Mantauran (Rukai)<sup>\*</sup>

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The present paper aims primarily at providing a descriptive analysis of the various nominalization processes found in Mantauran (Rukai), based on a large corpus of texts. While morpho-syntactic tests are proposed that permit the identification of derived nominals (as opposed to verbs) and the distinguishing of lexical nominalization from syntactic nominalization, the array of constructions that trigger syntactic nominalization shows that there is *a priori* no distinction between nominalization and relativization in this dialect.

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### 1. Introduction

The present paper focuses on nominalization in Mantauran, a highly endangered Rukai dialect spoken in the Maolin district of Kaohsiung County.

Preliminary reports regarding the phonological and morpho-syntactic divergences that the Rukai dialects<sup>1</sup> exhibit are found in Li (1977a, 1996) and Zeitoun (1995 and 1997b) and suggest that Mantauran is the most “aberrant” (Starosta, p.c.) among the six. It has undergone a series of sound changes that renders any comparative analysis very difficult, and has developed a “verb-object” agreement not reported in any other Formosan language (see Zeitoun 1997a).

The data for this paper has been largely extracted from texts comprising over 600 pages in two volumes of transcribed narratives collected over a seven-year period (Zeitoun and Lin, to appear). The first volume is a record of our late informant’s memories; the second is a compilation of traditional folktales.

The term “nominalization” is broadly understood as a process whereby an

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adjective, a verb, or a verb phrase is converted into a noun. Comrie and Thompson (1985) divide nominalization into two main types: action/state nominalization and argument nominalization. The first type refers to a noun derived from a verb/adjective designating an action or a state. The second type indicates a semantic role (e.g., agent, instrument, manner, location, etc.) of the derived verb. Besides these two main types, they mention that nouns can also be derived from other nouns and that full clauses (relative, complement, or adverbial, for example) can be turned into noun phrases. They further show that while a distinction must be established between “derived nominals” and “action nominals” in terms of their retaining (or not) verbal properties, relativization might not be structurally distinct from nominalization.

The goal of the present paper is two-fold:

- (i) to provide a descriptive analysis of the various nominalization processes found in Mantauran (sec. 3);
- (ii) to compare the morphological marking of verbs vs. that of derived nominals; and to try to establish a distinction between lexical vs. syntactic nominalization, and nominalization vs. relativization (sec. 4).

In the following section, I first provide a bird’s eye view of Mantauran phrase structure and constituency, and show how derived nominals can be identified in terms of their sharing the same morpho-syntactic characteristics and distribution as other (underived) nouns.

## 2. A bird’s eye view of Mantauran phrase structure and constituency

Mantauran is a verb-initial language with a relatively free word order:

- (1) a. o-kanə vələvələ tamatama.<sup>2</sup>  
Dyn.Fin-eat banana middle-aged man  
'Father is eating a banana.'

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<sup>2</sup> Abbreviations are as follows: ActNmz: Action nominalization, Ca-: Ca- Reduplication, Caus: Causative, ClsNmz: Clausal nominalization, CncNmz: Concessive nominalization, Dyn: Dynamic, E: Exclusive, Fin: Finite, Gen: Genitive, I: Inclusive, Imprs: Impersonal (pronoun), LocNmz: Locative nominalization, Neg: Negation, NFin: Non-Finite, Nom: Nominative, Obl: Oblique, ObjNmz: Objective nominalization, P: Plural, Rec: Reciprocal, Red: Reduplication, S: Singular, Stat: Stative, StatNmz: State nominalization, Subj: Subjunctive, SubjNmz: Subject nominalization, Sup: Superlative, TempNmz: Temporal nominalization, Top: Topic.

- b. o-kanə tamatama vələvələ.  
 Dyn.Fin-eat middle-aged man banana  
 'Father is eating a banana.'

While the topicalization of agents is unconstrained, that of patients is more problematic: to appear in initial position as topics, they must be definite.

- (2) tamatama ?a o-kanə vələvələ.  
 middle-aged man Top Dyn.Fin-eat banana  
 'As for father, he is eating/ate a banana.'
- (3) \*(ðona?i) vələvələ ?a o-kanə tamatama.  
 that banana Top Dyn.Fin-eat middle-aged man  
 'As for the banana, father is eating/ate (it).'

With the exception of oblique arguments referring to human participants, as in (5), nominal arguments are usually unmarked for case:

- (4) a. o-lajai taotao ða?anə.  
 Dyn.Fin-buy Taotao house  
 'Taotao bought a house.'
- b. o-ka?acə ta?o|o ?o|a?ə.  
 Dyn.Fin-bite dog snake  
 i. 'The dog bit the snake.'  
 ii. 'The snake bit the dog.'

Among oblique arguments marked as [+human], a further distinction must be made between [±kinship] and [±personal] nouns: [+kinship] or [+personal] oblique arguments induce obligatory agreement (5); [−kinship] or [−personal] nouns may not (6).

- (5) a. ma-ðalam\*(-ilinə) ðipolo [taotao la ?anə].  
 Stat.Fin-love-3P.Obl Zipolo Taotao and Anao  
 'Zipolo loves Taotao and Anao.'
- b. maðalam\*(-inə) lalakə-li taotao.  
 Stat.Fin-love-3S.Obl child-1S.Gen taotao  
 'Taotao likes my child.' ~ 'My child likes Taotao.'
- (6) a. ðona?i ?aolai ?a o?ilap(-inə) apoto-ni.  
 that boy Top look for(-3S.Gen) stone-3S.Gen  
 'As for that boy, he was looking for his stone(s).'

- b. ðona?i      ?avai      kapa-ki-kaava?\*(-iðə)  
 that      woman      continuously-Neg-Dyn.NFin:come-3S.Obl  
 laməŋaə-ða.  
 husband-3S.Gen  
 ‘As for that woman, her husband didn’t come to her.’

In this paper, derived nominals are identified as such based on their identical distribution with other nominal arguments, and their sharing the same morpho-syntactic properties:

(i) They occur in an NP position:

- (7) a. o-kaoð-inamə                        ka      paiso.  
 Dyn.Fin-not exist-1PE.Obl                       money  
 ‘We did not have any money.’  
 b. akaoðo      ka      ki-jihoa?-ɔ-li.  
 not exist     Neg-Dyn.NFin:know-ObjNmz-1S.Gen  
 ‘There is nothing that I do not know.’

(ii) They can be modified by another noun:

- (8) a. vələvələ-ni      *taotao.*  
 banana-3S.Gen      Taotao  
 ‘Taotao’s banana’  
 b. kanə-ni                                   *taotao.*  
 ActNmz:Dyn.NFin:eat-3S.Gen      Taotao  
 ‘Taotao’s eating’

(iii) They may co-occur with a genitive pronoun:<sup>3</sup>

- (9) a. ina-li  
 mother-1S.Gen  
 ‘my mother’  
 b. a-pa-solatə-nai  
 ActNmz-Caus-Dyn.NFin:study-1PE.Gen  
 ‘our education’

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<sup>3</sup> Sole subject nominals—formed by the prefixation of *ta-* to the verb stem—cannot be followed by a genitive pronoun (see sec. 4).

(iv) They can undergo topicalization:

- (10) a. ðona?i ?aoðoþo? mani vaa?-iðø ?aði.  
           that   lunch box   then   Dyn.NFin:give-3S.Gen   younger sibling  
           ‘That lunch box, (she) gave it to the younger brother.’
- b. ðona   ta-ka-əaəa                         mani   vaa?-iðø  
     that   SubjNmz-Stat.NFin-one   then   Dyn.NFin:give-3S.Gen  
     ?aði.  
     younger sibling  
     ‘That one, (she) gave it to the younger brother.’

(v) If it refers to a human participant, a derived nominal can take a plural prefix (11a); if it refers to a non-human participant, it can be circumfixed by the quantifier *kapa-...-ŋa* ‘all’ (11b):

- (11) a. ona?i   a-ołolai   la   ona?i   ta-a-?acakəlaə-ŋa  
       that   plur-child   and   that   SubjNmz-plur-married-already  
       ta-ka-a-roðaŋə                                 oðoþo-nai  
       SubjNmz-Stat.NFin-plur-old   Dyn.Fin-can-1PE.Nom  
       ?i-kariði.  
       wear-sleeveless garment  
       ‘Children, already married (women) and old people could wear sleeveless  
       (fur) jackets.’
- b. mani    poa-ŋ-inamø                                 toloðo   ðona?i  
       then    Dyn.NFin:make-already-1PE.Obl   bridge   that  
       kapa-ʃana-ŋa.  
       all-stream-Sup  
       ‘Then, they built bridges for us on all the streams.’
- b'. ?iraki-nai   mənə-ŋa   lojai                         saŋəparə, to?onai   ?ina?i  
       for-1PE.Nom   now-Sup   Dyn.Subj:buy car               any(thing)   this  
       kapa-a-lanal-aə-ŋa-nai...  
       all-ObjNmz-Dyn.NFin:buy-ObjNmz-Sup-1PE.Gen  
       ‘That’s because nowadays we (want to) buy cars (as well as other)  
       commodities.’

(vi) If it refers to a [+human] participant, a derived nominal can trigger verbal agreement:

- (12) a. ðona?i      ?avai      kapa-ki-kaava?\*(-iðə)
- that      woman      continuously-Neg-Dyn.NFin:come-3S.Obl
- laməŋaə-ða.
- husband-3S.Gen
- ‘As for that woman, her husband didn’t come to her.’
- b. ðona ta-ka-ljihili.      ðona ta-ljihoo?o      ?a
- that      SubjNmz-Stat.NFin-clever that      SubjNmz-Dyn.NFin:know Top
- mani      pa-ðaac-ili ðə [...] ]
- then      Caus-Dyn.NFin:leave-3P.Obl
- ‘Those (who were) clever, those (who) understood (would be) allowed to leave.’

The distinction between verbs and nouns is further illustrated in the following pairs of examples, which contrast the syntactic distribution of the verb *?aðiðapaə* ‘work’ with the noun *ðiðapə* ‘work’.

- (13) a. ?aðiðapaə-lao.
- work-1S.Nom
- ‘I am working.’ ~ ‘I worked.’
- a'. \*ðiðapə-lao.
- work-1S.Nom
- b. ?aðiðapa-a!
- work-Imp
- Work!
- b'. \*ðiðapə-a!
- work-Imp
- (14) a. ikaðo      ka      ðiðapə-li.
- not exist      work-1S.Gen
- ‘I do/did not have any work (to do).’
- a'. \*ikaðo      ka      ?aðiðapaə-li.
- not exist      work-1S.Gen
- b. pa?əhəmaə      ðiðapə-li.
- laborious      work-1S.Gen
- ‘My work is laborious.’
- b'. \*pa?əhəmaə      ?aðiðapaə-li.
- laborious      work-1S.Gen

In the following section, these syntactic tests will not be repeated, but the contrast between a verb and its nominal counterpart will be, whenever possible, explicitly exemplified.

### 3. Types of nominalization processes

Following Comrie and Thompson (1985), different nominalization processes are examined below: action/state nominals (sec. 3.1), argument nominals (sec. 3.2), (abstract) nouns (sec. 3.3), and nominalized clauses (sec. 3.4). A short summary is provided in section 3.5. Section 3.6 shows that although nominalization in Mantauran is a very productive process, it sometimes produces irregular morphophonological changes.

#### 3.1 Action/state nominals

Four nominalization processes are involved in deriving action/state nominals. They are summarized in Table 1 and further illustrated in examples (15)-(18).

Table 1: Action/state nominals

Morphological process	Verbal (dyn.) stem	Action nominal	Verbal (stat.) stem	State nominal
Prefixation of <i>a-</i>	<b>o</b> -?ia?ipi 'count'	<b>a</b> -?ia?ipi 'arithmetic'	<b>ma</b> -a?a 'flirt'	<b>a-ka</b> -?aa?aa 'flirt'
	<b>m</b> -aramao 'resemble'	<b>a</b> -parama-ramao 'resemblance'	<b>ma</b> -loolai 'young'	<b>a-ka</b> -loolai 'childhood'
	<b>m-a</b> ?avi 'share'	<b>a-pa</b> ?avi 'share'	---	
	<b>pa</b> -ðə?əŋə 'make...meet'	<b>a-pa</b> -ðə?ə-ðə?əŋə 'meeting'	---	
	<b>pa</b> -solatə 'make...study'	<b>a-pa</b> -solatə 'education'	---	
	<b>pa</b> -valjsi 'make...change'	<b>a-pa</b> -valjsi 'antonym'	---	
Suffixation of <i>-aθ</i>	---		<b>ma</b> -ca?əmə 'ill'	ca?əm- <b>aθ</b> 'illness'
	---		<b>ma</b> -rikoco 'busy'	rikoc- <b>aθ</b> 'business'
	---		<b>ma</b> -taaði?i 'good'	taaðia?- <b>aθ</b> 'goodness' <sup>4</sup>
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<sup>4</sup> Compare with: **ta-ka-taaðia?**-**aθ** 'advantage' (lit., 'good place').

Occurrence of root	<b>o-halacəlace</b> 'comb'	halacəlace 'comb'	---
	<b>o-təmə</b> 'obstruct'	təmə(təmə) 'tollbooth'	
	<b>o-vələtə</b> 'pile up'	vələtə 'piling up, wall'	
	<b>o-cəŋələ</b> 'see'	cəŋələ 'seeing, look'	
	<b>o-kanə</b> 'eat'	kanə 'eating'	
Occurrence of a verb stem marked with a finite or a subjunctive form	<b>o-ðaacə</b> 'leave'	<b>o-ðaacə</b> 'leaving' (+Real) ðaacə 'leaving' (+Irr)	---

(15) Action/state nominals—prefixation of *a-*

- a. mani ðolo a-itina a-tamatama  
then Dyn.NFin:can plur-middle-aged woman plur-middle-aged man  
kaamai poa pa-ðə?əŋə...  
self Dyn.Subj:make Caus-Dyn.NFin:meet  
'The parents could have them meet...'
- a'. ...ðona?i ?aomo ala-ŋ-inamə o  
that Japanese Dyn.NFin:take-already-1PE.Obl that  
ta-[i]ho?o po-inamə  
SubjNmz-Dyn.NFin:know Dyn.Subj:make-1PE.Obl  
a-pa-ðə?ə-ðə?əŋə, poa  
ActNmz-Caus-Red-Dyn.NFin:meet Dyn.Subj:make  
tolaðəkaə, tonjøðaə, a-pa-?ika[oma]omə, pa-?aovalo  
place name place name ActNmz-Caus-get:prize Caus-speak  
'The Japanese gathered the cleverest students from Maolin, Tona (and  
Wanshan) and let us compete.'
- b. ona?i lo to-ða?anə-nai to?a-toloraə-nai  
that when build-house-1PE.Gen use for-reason-1PE.Nom  
to-ðələpə, ta-iki-ki-aə  
build-stone living room LocNmz-Red-Dyn.NFin:b eat-LocNmz  
a-valovalo a-sava-savarə ma-a?a.  
plur-young woman plur-Red-young man Stat.Subj-flirt

‘At that time, when we built a house, we (would) have a living-room so that young women and young men (could) flirt.’

- b'. ðona lo ma-a-va[ovalo-mao mani  
 that when Stat.Subj-plur-young woman-Imprs.Gen then  
 ka-ðao ðona?i a-ka-?aa?aa-mao lo  
 Stat.NFin:many that StatNmz-Stat.NFin-flirt-Imprs.Gen when  
 ma-taaði?i-ða ðona valovalo takaocaə-ni.  
 Stat.Subj-good-3S.Gen that young woman character-3S.Gen  
 ‘At that time, when we were young, a girl (would) have many admirers if she was kind.’

(16) State nominals—suffixation of *-aə*

- a. olo ðoma-naə ma-ca?əmə-nai, o-ðo[ə]-nai  
 when other-TempNmz Stat.Subj-sick-1PE.Gen Dyn.Fin-can-1PE.Nom  
 ?iasə saŋəparə...  
 Dyn.Subj:call car  
 ‘If, at times, we are ill, we can call a taxi...’
- a'. ðona ta-ka-kociŋai ca?əm-aə...  
 that SubjNmz-Stat.NFin-serious sick-StatNmz  
 ‘Those who had a serious disease...’
- b. ?ina?i ta-o-aə-ŋa-nai tavalə?əvə?ə  
 this LocNmz-Dyn.NFin:go-LocNmz-already-1PE.Gen place name  
 ?aəla, toramoro-ŋa-nai ka ma-rikoco.  
 Dyn.Subj:move very-already-1PE.Nom Stat.Fin-busy  
 ‘Since we’ve moved to the new village, we have been very busy.’
- b'. ona?i a-iki-na-nai ?oponoho  
 that ClsNmz-Dyn.NFin:be at-still-1PE.Gen place name  
 akaoðo ka rikoc-aə-nai.  
 not exist busy-StatNmz-1PE.Gen  
 ‘When we still were in the old village, we were not busy.’

(17) Action nominals—occurrence of the root

- a. ...mani patol-iðə vəkənələ vələtə pa-okəla  
 then from-3S.Obl soil Dyn.Subj:pile up Caus-Dyn.NFin:reach  
 ðona ta-iki-ki-aə-liða  
 that LocNmz-Red-Dyn.NFin:be at-LocNmz-3P.Gen  
 ?apəcə a-?olalai...  
 Dyn.Subj:sleep plur-male  
 ‘...stones were piled up from the ground to the place where men slept...’

- a'. mani cəŋələ-nai ðona?i ða?anə ?i  
 then Dyn.NFin:see-1PE.Nom that house  
vələtə mani [jho?o-nai  
 ActNmz:Dyn.NFin:pile up then Dyn.NFin:know-1PE.Nom  
 ka-iki-liða ?ina valjo.  
 in fact-Dyn.NFin:exist-3P.Gen this village  
 ‘Then we saw the ruins of (earlier) houses and we realized that originally  
 there had been a village there.’
- b. o-cəŋələ-ka-?-inə?  
 Dyn.Fin-see-Neg-2S.Gen-3S.Obl  
 ‘Did you see her?’
- b'. kani cəŋələ-?-inə?  
 why ActNmz:Dyn.NFin:see-2S.Gen-3S.Obl  
 ‘Why did you look at her?’

(18) Action nominal—verb stem marked as finite or subjunctive

- a. ona?i a-kaava?i-ni ana,  
 that ClsNmz-Dyn.NFin:come-3S.Gen that  
o-ðaacə-ŋa-ļao.  
 Dyn.Fin-leave-already-1S.Nom  
 ‘When he came, I had already left.’
- b. oðaacə-?o ?iðaə.  
 Dyn.Fin:leave-2S.Gen when  
 ‘When did you leave?’
- c. mənənaə lo ðaacə-?o?  
 which day when Dyn.Subj:leave-2S.Gen  
 ‘When will you leave?’

### 3.2 Argument nominals

Argument nominals may be divided into: subject(ive), objective, locative, instrumental/manner/result and temporal nouns.

#### 3.2.1 Subject(ive) nominals

Subject(ive) nominalization is rendered by the prefixation of *ta-* to the verb base (see Table 2) and yields the meaning ‘one which “verbs”’ though “the noun need not be in an ‘agent’ relationship with the verb” (Comrie and Thompson 1985:350). Thus the adoption of the term “subjective”, suggested by M.-C. Paris, in place of “agentive” that narrows down the usage of *ta-*.

Table 2: Agentive nominals

Types of verbs	Verbal stem	Subject(ive) nominal
Dynamic verbs	<b>o</b> -alopo ‘hunt’	<b>ta</b> -alopo ‘(who) hunts, hunter’
	<b>o</b> -kanə ‘eat’	<b>ta</b> -kanə ‘(who) eats’
	<b>o</b> -[i]ho?o ‘know’	<b>ta</b> -[i]ho?o ‘(who) knows’
	<b>o</b> -haranjə ‘snore’	<b>ta</b> -haraharanjə ‘(who) snores’
	<b>o</b> -pi?api?a ałacə ‘write names’	<b>ta</b> -pi?api?a ałacə ‘(who) writes names, officer, civil servant’
	<b>o</b> -solatə ‘study, write’	<b>ta</b> -solatə ‘(who) studies/writes’
	<b>o</b> -?osario ‘play’	<b>ta</b> -?osario ‘(who) plays, player’
	<b>m</b> -aava?i ‘come’	<b>ta</b> -kaava?i ‘(who) comes’
	<b>om</b> -oa ‘go’	<b>ta</b> -oa ‘(who) goes’
	<b>to</b> -alakə ‘give birth’	<b>ta</b> -to-alakə ‘(who) gives birth’
Stative verbs	<b>topoðaolaə</b> ‘true, right’	<b>ta</b> -topoðaolaə ‘(who) is right’
	<b>ma</b> -ca?əmə ‘ill’	<b>ta</b> -ka-ca?əmə ‘(who) is ill, patient’
	<b>ma</b> -[i]hili ‘clever’	<b>ta</b> -ka-[i]hili ‘(who is) clever’
	<b>ma</b> -roðanjə ‘old’	<b>ta</b> -ka-roðanjə ‘(who is) old, old person (sg.)’
	<b>ma</b> -si?i ‘few, small’	<b>ta</b> -ka-si?i ‘(who is/has) few, small...’

- (19) a. ara?əvə la o-kanə-ka-i ka iki ?i  
      but and Dyn.Fin-eat-Neg-3S.Gen      Dyn.Subj:be at  
      sakovo  
      men's house  
      ‘But they did not eat in the men's house.’
- a'. olo to-saisakipi-mao kasa-ni  
      when make-small glutinous cake-Imprs.Gen only-3S.Gen  
      a-ołolai ta-kanə.  
      plur-child SubjNmz-Dyn.NFin:eat  
      ‘When someone made small glutinous cakes (saisakipi), only children  
      (would) eat them.’
- b. mani [i]ho?o ?oponoho maava?i-ŋa  
      then Dyn.NFin:know Mantauran Dyn.Subj:come-already  
      ta-alopo.  
      SubjNmz-Dyn.NFin:hunt  
      ‘Then the Mantauran people knew the hunters had already come back.’

- b'. ðona ta-*l*ihō?o o-va?a-iðə ?əmə?əmə]ə,  
 that SubjNmz-Dyn.NFin:know Dyn.Fin-give-3S.Obl prize  
 ta-?akaəa, ?akaðo?a, ?akato]o.  
 SubjNmz-first second third  
 ‘The cleverest were given a prize (to show who was) the first, the second  
 (and) the third.’
- (20) a. ona?i arono-ŋa-nai moa ?ina tavalə?əvə?ə,  
 that just-already-1PE.Gen Dyn.Subj:go this place name  
ma-si?i-na-nai ocao.  
 Stat.Fin-few-still-1PE.Nom man  
 ‘When we first arrived in Tavale’eve’e, we were (still) few (people).’
- a'. o ta-ka-si?i soso ka o-poa-ka-ða ka  
 that SubjNmz-Stat.NFin-small breast Dyn.Fin-make-Neg-3S.Gen  
 ?i-toipi.  
 wear-bra  
 ‘As for those who had small breasts, they (would) not wear a bra.’
- b. lo pa-solatə-ð-inamə  
 when Caus-Dyn.NFin:study-3S.Gen-1PE.Obl  
 o-lihō?o-ka-nai ka sialala,  
 Dyn.Fin-know-Neg-1PE.Gen Dyn.Subj:hear  
ma-*l*ihili-ka-nai.  
 Stat.Fin-clever-Neg-1PE.Gen  
 ‘When they taught us, we did not understand, we were not clever.’
- b'. ðona ta-ka-*l*ihili, ðona ta-lihō?o  
 that SubjNmz-Stat.NFin-clever that SubjNmz-Dyn.NFin:know  
 ?a mani pa-ðaac-iliðə [...] Top then Caus-Dyn.NFin:leave-3P.Obl  
 ‘Those (who were) clever, those (who) understood (would be) allowed to leave.’

### 3.2.2 Objective nouns

Objective nominalization is usually indicated by *a-...-aɔ* in dynamic verbs and by *...-aɔ* in stative verbs.

Table 3: Objective nominals

Types of verbs	Verbal stem	Objective nominal
Dynamic verbs	<b>o-alopo</b> ‘hunt’	<b>a-lop-a<sub>ə</sub></b> ‘game’
	<b>o-kanə</b> ‘eat’	<b>a-kan-a<sub>ə</sub></b> ‘food’
	<b>o-?onjolo</b> ‘drink’	<b>a-?onjol-a<sub>ə</sub></b> ‘drink’
	<b>o-lanjai</b> ‘buy’	<b>a-lanjal-a<sub>ə</sub></b> ‘(thing) bought, merchandise’
	<b>o-vələtə</b> ‘pile up’	<b>a-vələt-a<sub>ə</sub></b> ‘(stones) piled up, wall’
	<b>om-iki</b> ‘exist, be at’	<b>a-iki-ə</b> ‘existence’
	<b>pa-cəŋələ</b> ‘make...see’	<b>a-pa-cəŋə-cəŋəl-a<sub>ə</sub></b> solatə ‘references’
Stative verbs	<b>ma-ðalamə</b> ‘like, love’	<i>ka-ðalam-a<sub>ə</sub></i> ‘the loved (one)’
	<b>ma-səkələ</b> ‘angry’	<i>ka-səkəl-a<sub>ə</sub></i> ‘the one being angered at’

- (21) a. o-kanə-ŋa-ka-li.  
     Dyn.Fin-eat-already-Neg-1S.Gen  
     ‘I have not eaten yet.’
- a'. ðona?i ɿa kasa-ða ðona?i a-kan-a<sub>ə</sub>-nai  
     that Top only-3S.Gen that ObjNmz-Dyn.NFin:eat-ObjNmz  
     ‘That was the only food we had.’
- b. ðona ka o-lanjai-ka-nai ka to?onai...  
     that Dyn.Fin-buy-Neg-1PE.Gen any(thing)  
     ‘We never bought anything.’
- b'. [...] mani aɿa m-oa lonjai o?i  
     then Dyn.NFin:take Dyn.Subj-go Dyn.Subj:buy that  
     moɿə, timo, to?onai ðona?i  
     fabric salt everything that  
a-lanjal-a<sub>ə</sub>-liða.  
     ObjNmz-Dyn.NFin:buy-ObjNmz-3P.Gen  
     ‘Then, they would go and buy fabric, salt, everything they needed to buy.’
- (22) a. ma-ðaa-ðalamə-ka-?-inə ðipolo,  
     Stat.Fin-Red-love-Neg-2S.Gen-3S.Obl Dipolo  
ma-ðaa-ðalamə-ka-?-inə taotao?  
     Stat.Fin-Red-love-Neg-2S.Gen-3S.Obl Taotao  
     ‘Do you prefer Zipolo or Taotao?’

- a'. a-iki-ə-ni    ?i  
 ObjNmz-Dyn.NFin:exist-ObjNmz-3S.Gen  
ka-ðaa-ðalam-að-?o?  
 Stat.NFin-Red-love-ObjNmz-2S.Gen  
 ‘Which one do you prefer?’
- b. ma-səkəl-inə         ðipolo      taotao.  
 Stat.Fin-angry-3S.Obl   Zipolo      Taotao  
 ‘Taotao is/was angry at Zipolo.’ ~ ‘Zipolo is angry at Taotao.’
- b'. aaŋa-i                ka-səkəl-að-ni?  
 who-3S.Gen              Stat.NFin-angry-ObjNmz-3S.Gen  
 ‘With whom is he angry?’

Another process has been reported in the Southeastern Rukai dialects as well as in other Formosan languages (Saisiyat, Atayal, Puyuma, Kavalan): the infixation of *<in>* that correlates an aspectual/modal distinction, i.e., perfective/realis vs. imperfective/irrealis (Teng 2001, Yeh 2000, Chen 1999). In Saisiyat, for instance, the distinction between “past” and “future” is usually expressed through a different device, e.g., *<in>* vs. *ka-...-ən*.

(23) Saisiyat (Yeh 2000)

- |     |                     |                                |
|-----|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| a.  | t- <i>in</i> -awbon | ‘something pounded, rice cake’ |
| a'. | <i>ka-tawbon-ən</i> | ‘something to be pounded’      |
| b.  | t- <i>in</i> -alək  | ‘something cooked, wine’       |
| b'. | <i>ka-talək-ən</i>  | ‘something to be cooked’       |

The infix *<in>* is found in a very few fossilized lexical items in the Northern Rukai dialects (Mantauran, Tona and Maga).<sup>5</sup> In Mantauran, the realis/irrealis distinction mentioned above is also found (cf. the contrast between *-a* vs. *a-...-að*) but is pending further investigation:

<sup>5</sup> The word *c<in>əkəlað* ‘villager’ might tentatively be treated as deriving from the verb *o-cəkəlað* ‘all’ but it represents the only instance uncovered so far in Mantauran.

- (24) a. kana-ni            kan-a-?o?<sup>6</sup>  
           what-3S.Gen      Dyn.NFin:eat-ObjNmz-2S.Gen  
           ‘What do you want to eat?’
- a'. kana-ni            a-kan-a?o?  
           what-3S.Gen      ObjNmz-Dyn.NFin:eat-ObjNmz-2S.Gen  
           ‘What did you eat?’
- b. kana-ni            ?onol-a?o?  
           what-3S.Gen      Dyn.NFin:drink-ObjNmz-2S.Gen  
           ‘What do you want to drink?’
- b'. kana-ni            a-?onol-a?o?  
           what-3S.Gen      ObjNmz-Dyn.NFin:drink-ObjNmz-2S.Gen  
           ‘What did you drink?’

### 3.2.3 Locative nouns

Locative nominalization (which implies that “X is the place where Y did/does something”) manifests itself through the circumfixation of *ta-...-a* to the verb base. Only one locative nominal—derived from the verb *omiki* ‘be at, exist’—was found to be formed by the suffixation of *-a* (and not the circumfixation of *ta-...-a*); cf. *kiki-a* ‘space’.

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<sup>6</sup> Another form, exemplified in (ia) was found, remains also ill-understood:

- (i) a. oa-i-?o?  
           Dyn.NFin:go-ObjNmz-2S.Gen  
           ‘Where are you going?’
- b. a-oa-a?o?  
           ObjNmz-Dyn.NFin:go-ObjNmz-2S.Gen  
           ‘Where did you go?’

Table 4: Locative nominals

Types of verbs	Verbal stem	Locative nominal
Dynamic verbs	<b>o-cikipi</b> ‘sew’	<b>ta-cikip-aø</b> ‘seam, stitch’
	<b>o-ðomini</b> ‘white-wash’	<b>ta-ðomi-ðomij-aø</b> ‘wall’
	<b>o-kɔ[ai]</b> ‘hang’	<b>ta-kɔ[a-kɔ]-aø</b> ‘hanger’
	<b>o-lanja</b> ‘buy’	<b>ta-lanja]-aø ~ ta-lanja-lanja]-aø</b> ‘store’
	<b>o-saosi</b> ‘lock (the door)’	<b>ta-sao-saosi-ø</b> ‘lock’
	<b>o-sokovo</b> ‘bend (one’s head)’	<b>ta-soko-sokov-aø</b> ‘church’
	<b>o-solatɔ</b> ‘study, write’	<b>ta-sola-solat-aø</b> ‘school’
	<b>o-vələtɔ</b> ‘pile up’	<b>ta-vələt-aø</b> ‘wall’ (lit: place where stones are piled up)
	<b>o-?avolo</b> ‘bury’	<b>ta-?avo?-avol-aø</b> ‘tomb’
	<b>o-?osario</b> ‘play’	<b>ta-?osari-sari-aø</b> ‘running field, touristic area’
	<b>m-aavanao</b> ‘wash (body)’	<b>ta-paa-vaa-van-aø</b> ‘bathroom’
	<b>m-o?alo</b> ‘draw water’	<b>ta-o?alo-?alo-ø</b> ‘well’
	<b>om-iki</b> ‘exist, be at’	<b>ta-iki-ø</b> ‘place where...is’, <b>ta-iki-ki-aø</b> ‘room’
	<b>om-oa</b> ‘go’	<b>ta-oa-ø</b> ‘place to go’ <b>(ta-oao-aø) mo-ta-vilavila?a-ø</b> ‘toilet’
	<b>pa-?ototalo</b> ‘make...put away’	<b>ta-pa-?ototalo-ø</b> solatɔ ‘schoolbag’ (Lit: place where books are put away) <b>ta-pa-?ototalo-ø</b> mo?aø ‘cupboard’ (Lit: place where belongings are put away)
	<b>pa-?ənao</b> ‘make...wash’	<b>ta-pa-?əna-?ən-aø</b> ‘washing machine’
	<b>po-acilai</b> ‘water (flowers)’	<b>ta-po-acila]-aø</b> ‘paddy field’
	<b>to-poi</b> ‘make a fire’	<b>ta-potopol-aø</b> ‘fire place’
Stative verbs	<b>?i-lijo</b> ‘look (oneself) in a mirror’	<b>ta-?i-lijo-lijo-ø</b> ‘dresser’ <sup>7</sup>
	<b>?aliki</b> ‘(come) from’	<b>ta-?aliki-ki-aø</b> mokavolo ‘origin’
	<b>ma-əcəʃŋø</b> ‘black’	<b>ta-ka-əcəʃŋ-aø</b> ‘dirt’ (Lit: dark spot)
	<b>ma-taaði'i</b> ‘good’	<b>ta-ka-taaðia?-ø</b> ‘advantage’ (Lit: good place)
	<b>ma-takoł̥a</b> ‘good’	<b>ta-ka-takoł̥-aø</b> ‘disadvantage’ (Lit: bad place)
	<b>ma-τəəteləkø</b> ‘cooler’	<b>ta-pa-ka-τəətelək-aø</b> ?aðamaðamai a?onjololjolaø ‘fridge’ (Lit: place that keeps dishes and drinks cool(er))

<sup>7</sup> A doublet form *ta?iliyiliyoø* was recorded.

- (25) a. mani pa-valisi avo-avoko cikipi votolo?o-ða...  
     then Caus-Dyn.NFin:change Red-blanket Dyn.Subj:sew body-3S.Gen  
     ‘(The bride would) be put on a blanket (we) saw around her body...’
- a'. ara?evə lo ma-raði?i-ŋ-iðə ðona?i  
     but when Stat.Subj-heal-already-3S.Obl that  
ta-cikip-að-n-iðə  
     LocNmz-Dyn.NFin:sew-LocNmz-3S.Gen-3S.Obl  
     mað-ŋa-nai  
     Dyn.Subj:take-already-1PE.Nom  
     ?ini-ka-ka-mamai ?o-cikipi.  
     self-Ca-Stat.NFin-self take off-Dyn.NFin:sew  
     ‘When the wound had healed and (we had to) take off the stitches, then  
     we could do that by ourselves.’
- b. ðona?i ta-iki-ð-ða ?apə?apəcə  
     that LocNmz-Dyn.NFin:be at-LocNmz-3S.Gen Dyn.Subj:lay  
     |ølai saloðiri mani po-iðə o?i toloðo la  
     child cradle then Dyn.NFin:make-3S.Obl that receptacle and  
     ako?ðə ñkølai.  
     knife Dyn.Subj:hang  
     ‘The receptacle and the knife were hung on the cradle where the baby  
     slept.’
- b'. ona?i a-kaava?i-ŋa-ða ?aomo,  
     that ClsNmz-Dyn.NFin:come-already-3S.Gen Japanese  
     o-ðoðo-ŋa-nai loŋai kavanə,  
     Dyn.Fin-come-already-1PE.Nom Dyn.Subj:buy wardrobes  
ta-køla-køla-að, kovokovo la  
     LocNmz-Red-Dyn.NFin:hang-LocNmz ActNmz:Dyn.NFin:cover and  
ta-?i-linqo-linqo-ð.  
     LocNmz-look at-Red-mirror-LocNmz  
     ‘When the Japanese came, we were able to buy wardrobes, coat hangers,  
     mosquito nets and dressers.’
- (26) a. ma-əcələŋə ðona?i moðə.  
     Stat.Fin-black that cloth  
     ‘That cloth is black.’
- a'. mani aða-nai ?i ða?ə poa  
     then Dyn.NFin:take-1PE.Nom mud Dyn.Subj:make  
     lijað pi?amaðalað ?oða  
     Dyn.Subj:wash first take off

*ta-ka-əcəlan̩-aɔ̃.*

LocNmz-Stat.NFin-black-LocNmz

‘We (would) use some mud to wash (the dishes) to first take off the dirt.’

- b. *ma-taaði?i toramoro.*

Stat.Fin-good very

‘It is very good.’ ~ ‘It was very good.’

- b'. *oraʔəvə la ta-ka-taaðiaʔ-ə ma-ðao-ŋa*

but and LocNmz-Stat.NFin-good-LocNmz Stat.Dyn-many-alread

ta-totiamə ʔinaʔi kata[isiə [...]

SubjNmz-open:store this aborigine

‘However, the advantage (is that) there are many aborigines who are making loans (to open stores)...’

Other locative nouns will be examined below, which are derived from original nouns through quite the same morphological processes.

### 3.2.4 Instrumental, manner and result nouns

Morphologically speaking, instrumental, manner and result nominals are treated the same in Mantauran (see Tables 5-7). This type of nominalization is indicated through the prefixing of *ɻa-* (< P(roto) R(ukai) \*sa-) to the verb base. The main distinction lies in the fact that an “instrumental”<sup>8</sup> meaning is obtained if the verb is dynamic (Table 5) while a “manner” interpretation is perceived if the verb is inherently stative (Table 6). If a stative verb has previously undergone another morpho-syntactic process (e.g., causativization), then the derived nominal might be instrumental, cf. *ma-poli* ‘white’ > *pa-ka-poli* ‘make...white’ > *ɻa-pa-ka-poli-poli* ‘detergent’, *ma-ɻətə* > *pa-ka-ɻətə* > *ɻa-pa-ka-ɻətə-ɻətə* ‘anaesthesia’. In co-occurrence with other prefixes (e.g., *po-* ‘put, give, make’), *ɻa-* conveys another interpretation: “as a result of...” (Table 7).

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<sup>8</sup> No *Ca*-reduplication pattern yielding an instrumental meaning, as reported in Blust (1998), is found in Mantauran.

Table 5: Instrumental, manner and result nominals

Types of verbs	Verbal stem	Instrumental nominal
Dynamic verbs	o-cəŋə?a 'drive in a nail'	?a-cəŋə-cəŋə?a 'nail'
	o-ðalj 'pave the floor with slates'	?a-ðalj-ðalj 'floor, slate (used to pave the floor, the soil)'
	o-ko-nji?anji?i 'shave (beard)'	?a-ko-nji?anji?i 'twizzers, razor'
	o-hisihibi 'saw'	?a-hisi-hisihibi 'saw'
	o-[akipi 'stick'	?a-[aki-[akipi 'glue'
	o-linjao 'wash (dishes)'	?a-linjao-jao 'washing up liquid, sponge'
	o-moromoro 'clean one's teeth, rinse'	?a-moro-moromoro 'toothbrush'
	o-pana 'shoot (with a bow)'	?a-pana 'arrow'
	o-solatə 'study, write'	?a-sola-solatə 'pencil'
	o-tanjətanjə 'beat' (with a board)	?a-tanjə-tanjətanjə 'wash board'
	o-?ənao 'wash (clothes)'	?a-əna-?ənao 'washing powder'
	o-?oðo?oðo 'mop (the floor)'	?a-oðo-?oðo?oðo 'mop'
	o-?osario 'play'	?a-osari-sario 'toy'
	m-aavanao 'wash (body)'	?a-paavaa-vanao 'soap'

- (27) a. ?ina?i mənə-ŋa to?onai-ŋa ma-ðao ?ina?i pakisa,  
     this now-Sup any(thing)-Sup Stat.Fin-many this plain  
     mani ðo|o-ŋ-inamə loŋai solatə,  
     then Dyn.NFin:can-already-1PE.Obl Dyn.Subj:buy book  
?a-sola-solatə, ?a-[aki-[akipi...  
     InstNmz-Red-Dyn.NFin:write InstNmz-Red-Dyn.NFin:stick  
     'Nowadays, there are everything in the plain, and we can afford to buy  
     books (or paper), pencils and glue (to our children) ...'
- b. o-kaoð-inamə ?a-hisi-hisihibi la  
     Dyn.Fin-not exist-1PE.Obl InstNmz-Red-Dyn.NFin:saw and  
?a-pali-palipalici.  
     InstNmz-Red-Dyn.NFin:drive in a nail  
     '(In the past), we did not have saws or screwdrivers.'

Table 6: Manner nominals

Types of verbs	Verbal stem	Manner nominal
Stative verbs	<b>ma-taaði?</b> i ‘good’	?a-ka-taaði?i ‘(how) good’
	<b>ma-kœælø</b> ‘cold’	?a-ka-kœælø ‘(how) cold’
	<b>ma-[jihili</b> ‘clever, smart’	?a-ka-[jihili ‘(how) clever/smart’
	<b>ma-riðarø</b> ‘fast’	?a-ka-riðarø ‘(how) fast’

- (28) a. ma-riðarø [lo]amø.  
           Stat.Fin-fast   Dyn.Subj:run  
           ‘He runs fast.’
- a'. amokoa-ni      ?a-ka-riðai-ni                         lo  
           how-3S.Gen    ManNmz-Stat.NFin-fast-3S.Gen    when  
           ðoaðaacø-ni.  
           Dyn.Subj:walk-3S.Gen  
           ‘How fast does he walk?’
- b. ma-[jihili-ŋa-[ao.  
           Stat.Fin-clever-Sup-1S.Nom  
           ‘I am the cleverest.’
- b'. amokoa-ni      ?a-ka-[jihili-ni                         omalø.  
           how-3S.Gen    ManNmz-Stat.NFin-clever-3S.Gen    Dyn.Subj:sing  
           ‘How well does he sing?’

Table 7: Result nominals

Types of verbs	Verbal stem	Instrumental nominal
Deverbal nouns	<b>po-timo</b> ‘put on salt’	?a- <b>po-timo</b> ‘as a result of salting’, <sup>9</sup>

### 3.2.5 Temporal nouns

Temporal nouns are formed through the circumfixation of *kala-...-aɔ*<sup>10</sup> to the verb base yielding the meaning ‘season’ (e.g., ‘cold season’, i.e., ‘winter’; ‘rainy season’, i.e., ‘monsoon’).

<sup>9</sup> Only one such occurrence was found.

<sup>10</sup> Whether this circumfix should be decomposed as *ka-la-...aɔ* is still under investigation.

Table 8: Temporal nominals

Types of verbs	Verbal stem	Temporal nominal
Dynamic verbs	o-ða?olo 'rain'	kala-ðo-ða?ol-aø 'rainy season'
Stative verbs	ma-kœcœlø 'cold'	kala-kœcœl-aø 'winter' <sup>11</sup>
	ma-[apa?]a 'burning hot'	kala-ka-[apa?]aø 'summer'

- (29) a. amo-ða?olo                      lo      ?iða.  
       will-Dyn.NFin:rain      tomorrow  
       'It will rain tomorrow.'
- b. olo      kala-ðo-ða?ol-aø                      lo      i-valj-i-valjio-mao,  
       when    TempNmz-Red-Dyn.NFin:rain   if    stay-Red-village-Imprs.Gen.  
       ki-oa-mao    ooma...  
       Neg-Dyn.NFin:go-3Imprs.Nom   field  
       'During the rainy season, if one stayed home, one would not go to the  
       field ...'
- (30) a. lo      toramoro-ða    ma-kœcœlø      ðona?i   a-valovalø              ka  
       when    very-3S.Gen   Stat.Subj-cold   that      plur-young woman  
       o-ðolo-ka-ða    ?i-kariði,                              ma-?ino.  
       Dyn.Fin-can-Neg-3S.Gen   wear-sleeveless garment   Stat.Fin-embarrassed  
       'When it was very cold, young women did not dare to wear sleeveless  
       (fur) jackets (because) they were (too) embarrassed (to do so).'
- b. kala-kœcœl-aø                              ?a      o-œcœvø-mao  
       TempNmz-cold-TempNmz   Top   Dyn.Fin-cross on foot-Imprs.Nom  
       mota]ovalø.  
       to:opposite side of the river bank  
       'During the winter, (it was possible) to cross the river on foot.'

### 3.3 Nouns turning into other (abstract) nouns

Two major classes of nouns turning into other (abstract) nouns through a process of nominalization have been found: locative and temporal nouns. These are examined in turn below.

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<sup>11</sup> Expected form: *kala-ka-kœcœl-aø*. Why *ka-* does not occur in this derived nominal remains unaccounted for.

### 3.3.1 Locative nouns

I showed in Zeitoun (1995:143) that there are three major ways of referring to a location in Mantauran: the suffix *-aə* (PR \*-anə) is added to [-human] nouns, e.g., *i-vili-aə* ‘behind’; *-naə* (< -n-aə) is added to [+human, –personal] nouns, e.g., *ðaʔan-a-naə* ‘household’; and *-inə* is added to [+human, +personal] nouns occurring in the oblique case, e.g., *ipolo-inə* ‘Ipolo (Obl)’. Among these, the first two represent instances of nominalization, whereby a noun turns into another noun. Since then, two other nominalization processes have been uncovered: the first consists of the circumfixation of *ta-...-aə* to a [-human] base; the second does not allow any type of affixation, but reduplication of the [+human] base implies a location. These four types of nominalization—*ta-N<sub>[-human]</sub>-aə*, (Red-)N<sub>[-human]</sub>-*aə*, N<sub>[+human]</sub>-*naə*, Red-N<sub>[+human]</sub>—do not only differ in terms of the morphological process involved, but also in terms of the semantic interpretation attributed to the derived nominal.

Table 9: Locative nominals (derived from nouns)

Types of nouns	Nominal stem	Derived nominal
[-human]	acilai ‘water’	<b>ta-cila]-aə</b> ‘spring’
	[ima ‘hand’	<b>ta-[ima-ə</b> ‘sleeve’
	ovəʔəkə ‘pig’	<b>ta-vəʔək-aə</b> ‘pigpen’
	palonj ‘pot’	<b>ta-palonj-aə</b> ‘hearth’
	?aələŋə ‘flower’	<b>ta-?aələŋj-aə</b> ‘garden’
	?anato ‘wood, brushwood’ <sup>12</sup>	<b>ta-?anato-ə</b> ‘woodshed’
	acilai ‘water’	acila]-aə ‘pound’
	ðakəralə ‘river’	ðakəra-kəral-aə ‘river bank’
	ðaʔanə ‘house’	ðaa-ða-ðaʔan-aə ‘place full of houses’
[+human]	mairajə ‘sweet potato’	mairai-raj-aə ‘place full of sweet potatoes’
	ðaʔanə ‘house’	ðaʔana-naə ‘household’
	?avai ‘girl, woman’	?avai-naə ‘girl/bride’s family’
	?aolai ‘male, boy, man’	?aola-la-naə ‘boy/groom’s family’
	a-ołolai ‘children’	a-oło-ołolai ‘place full of children’ <sup>13</sup>

<sup>12</sup> Doublet forms include: *yaʔato* ‘wood, brushwood’ ~ **ta-yaʔato-ə** ‘woodshed’.

<sup>13</sup> Only one such occurrence was found.

- (31) a. amo-ðolo-ka-li                        ?oŋolo  
           will-Dyn.NFin:can-Neg-1S.Gen     Dyn.Subj:drink  
           ta-ka-tətələkə                        acilai?  
           SubjNmz-Stat.NFin-cold            water  
           ‘Can I drink cold water?’ (Based on Lin, 1999: Vol.6:46)
- a'. “lo m-oa-?o                              ta-cila]-aɔ                      ?a  
       if        Dyn.Subj-go-2S.Gen        LocNmz-water-LocNmz      Top  
       m-oɿðə-mo?o,                            ma-?ətə.”  
       Dyn.Fin-sink-2S.Nom                  Stat.Fin-die  
       ‘If you go to the spring, you will sink and die.’
- a''. lo... omiki-ŋa-mao                      va[ɿ]va[ɿ]?aɔ    maavanao,  
       when    Dyn.Subj:exist-already-Imprs.Gen   road                   Dyn.Subj:bath  
       lo    acila]-aɔ.  
       when    Dyn.Subj:cross-Imprs.Gen    water-LocNmz  
       ‘We washed ourselves on the road if we came across a pond of water.’
- b. ma-əaəa                                      ðakəralə                      aləvə                    ?oponoho.  
       Stat.Fin-one    river                    below                  place name  
       ‘There was a river on the foot of the (old) village.’
- b'. ðona?i        viɿilaə-ŋa                mani                    po-inamə  
       that        after-Sup                    then                    Dyn.NFin:make-1PE.Obl  
       ta-sola-solat-aɔ                        piki                    |aoðo  
       LocNmz-Red-Dyn.NFin-study-LocNmz   Dyn.Subj:put        down  
ða-kəra-kəral-aɔ.  
       river-Red-river-LocNmz  
       ‘Afterwards, a school opened, (which) was situated on the river banks.’
- c. ?inikakakamai-nai |oŋə?ə                    poa-nai  
       self-1PE.Nom                            Dyn.Subj:cultivate    Dyn.Subj:make-1PE.Nom  
       poɿavo                                    mairanə.  
       plant                                      sweet potato  
       ‘We planted sweet potatoes ourselves.’
- c'. ðona?i        vəkənə|ə                    ?a                            mai-raa-ran]-aɔ.  
       that        land                            Top                            sweet potato-Red-sweet potato-LocNmz  
       ‘That place is full of sweet potatoes.’
- (32) a. ðona ða?anə-liða                    a-oɿolai,                    ?anomaəlaɔ    ma-taaði?i.  
       that        house-3P.Gen                plur-child                especially            Stat.Subj-good  
       ‘As for the house of the children, it was really beautiful.’

- a'. lo      ?iðanaø-nja      mani      va?oro      ?aolai  
when      day after-Sup      then      Dyn.NFin:cook rice      male  
ða?ana-naø-liða.  
house-LocNmz-3P.Gen  
‘The day after, the groom’s family (would) cook rice.’
- b. ...mani      avil-iðø      vaþovaþo      ?iðemø  
then      Dyn.NFin:carry-3S.Obl      young woman      toward  
ða?anø-ða      ?aolai.  
house-3S.Gen      male  
‘The young woman (would) be carried to the groom’s house.’
- b'. ðona?i      ?aolala-naø      mani      aþa      ðona?i cacavakø,  
that      male-LocNmz      then      Dyn.NFin:take that      pottery jar  
cø?eþø,      livasø...  
necklace      knife  
‘The groom’s family then take pottery jars, necklaces, knives...’

### 3.3.2 Temporal nouns

At least two morphological processes whereby temporal nouns turn into other (temporal) nouns have been identified.

The first, which consists of the circumfixation of *kala-...-aø* ‘season’ to [–temporal] nouns, is productive to the extent that even loans (e.g., *?aomo* ‘Japanese’, *ciokoko* ‘Chinese’) can be taken as the base of derivation. The second consists of the suffixation of *-naø* to the base to form temporal adjuncts.

Table 10: Temporal nominals (derived from nouns)

Types of nouns	Nominal stem	Derived nominal
[–temporal]	pahai ‘rice’	<b>kala-paha]-aø</b> ‘harvest season (rice)’
	?aomo ‘Japanese’	<b>kala-?aom-aø</b> ‘Under the Japanese’
	ciokoko ‘Chinese’	<b>kala-ciokok-aø</b> ‘Under the Chinese’
[+temporal]	ðoma ‘other’	<b>ðoma-naø</b> ‘sometimes, when?’
	?iða ‘day’	<b>?iða-naø</b> ‘afterwards, when?’
	mønø ‘now, day’	<b>mønø-naø</b> ‘which day?’ <b>møna-naø</b> ‘day, time’ <sup>14</sup>

<sup>14</sup> As opposed to ‘space’.

- (33) kala-?aom-a $\sigma$  a-pa-sola-solat $\sigma$ .  
 TempNmz-Japanese-TempNmz ActNmz-Caus-Red-Dyn.NFin:study  
 ‘Japanese education’
- (34) a. ?iða-na $\sigma$  lo maava?i-nomi ?  
 day-TempNmz if Dyn.Subj:come-2P.Gen  
 ‘When will you come again?’
- b. mənə-na $\sigma$  lo maava?i-nomi ?  
 day-TempNmz if Dyn.Subj:come-2P.Gen  
 ‘Which day will you come?’
- b'. mani iki məna-na $\sigma$  ðona?i laməŋaø-ða pəələŋaø  
 then exist day-TempNmz that spouse-3S.Gen Peelengae  
 “amo-ðaacø-]ao olopo” mani ia.  
 will-Dyn.NFin:leave-1S.Nom Dyn.Subj:hunt then Dyn.NFin:so  
 ‘One day, her husband Peelengae said: “I am going hunting.” ’

### 3.4 Clausal nominalization

Comrie and Thompson (1985:392) use the term “clausal nominalization” to refer to the process by which clauses are nominalized. Though I have dubbed this process “adverbial nominalization” (so-called because one of the structures in question can be glossed as “when X happened/happens”) in a recent paper (see Zeitoun 2000), I am adopting Comrie and Thompson’s terminology for the sake of clarity.

This type of nominalization process is readily seen in temporal, conditional, and concessive clauses in Mantauran. Three different processes are involved:

- (i) If the verb refers to a situation that has already taken place, it is prefixed by *a-* (temporal clauses); see Table 11.
- (ii) If the verb refers to a situation that is to happen or may happen, it appears in its subjunctive form (conditional/hypothetical clauses); see Table 12.
- (iii) If the verb indicates a concession, it is circumfixed by *ni-....-a(ø)* (concessive clauses); see Table 13:

Table 11: Clausal nominals (1)

Morphological process	Types of verb	Verbal stem	Clausal nominal
<i>a-</i> [temporal clauses]	Dynamic verbs	<b>o-ðaacə</b> 'leave'	<b>a-ðaacə</b> 'when...left'
		<b>o-kanə</b> 'eat'	<b>a-kanə</b> 'when...ate'
		<b>o-[i]ho?o</b> 'know'	<b>a-[i]ho?o</b> 'when...knew'
		<b>o-tovi</b> 'cry'	<b>a-tovi</b> 'when...cried'
		<b>m-aava?i</b> 'come'	<b>a-kaava?i</b> 'when...come'
		<b>om-oa</b> 'go'	<b>a-oa</b> 'when...went'
		<b>om-iki</b> 'exist'	<b>a-iki</b> 'when...were'
		<b>?itovo?o</b> 'ask'	<b>a-?itovo?o</b> 'when...asked'
	Stative verbs	<b>ma-olo?o</b> 'grow up'	<b>a-ka-aloho</b> 'when...grown up'
		<b>ma-ðao</b> 'a lot, many'	<b>a-ka-ðao</b> 'when...a lot, many'
		<b>ma-[j]oolai</b> 'be young (child)'	<b>a-ka-[j]oolai</b> 'as a child'
		<b>ma-savarə</b> 'be young (man)'	<b>a-ka-savarə</b> 'as a young man'
		<b>ma-va?ovalo</b> 'be young (woman)'	<b>a-ka-va?ovalo</b> 'as a young woman'

- (35) a. ona?i    *a-iki-na-nai*    ka?oponohaə,  
       that    ClsNmz-Dyn.NFin:exist-still-1PE.Gen    place name  
       *om-iki-nomi*    koli?i  
       Dyn.Fin-exist-1PE.Nom    SubjNmz-Dyn.NFin:rise    sun  
       om-i-inamə                    lo    cəŋələ-n-inamə    vaſavaləə.  
       Dyn.Fin-so-1PE.Obl    if    Dyn.Subj:see-3S.Gen-1PE.Obl    outsiders  
       'When we still were in the old village [Ka'oponohae], outsiders (would)  
       tell us that we were located in the east, when they came to see us.'
- b. *ma-[j]oolai-na*    lalakə-li  
       Stat.Fin-young-still    child-1S.Gen  
       'My child is still young.'
- b'. mani    *a-ka-[j]oolai-li*                                      o-[i]ho?o-ka-li  
       then    ClsNmz-Stat.NFin-young-1S.Gen    Dyn.Fin-know-Neg-1S.Gen  
       om-iki                          vaſinaə                          ða?anə                      mia.  
       Dyn.Fin-exist    place name    house    Dyn.Subj:so  
       'When I was young, I did not know that there were houses in Valinae.'

Table 12: Clausal nominals (2)

Morphological process	Types of verb	Verbal stem	Clausal nominal
Vsubj [hyp/cond. clauses]	Dynamic verbs	o-ðapələ 'fish (by poisoning)'	ðopələ 'if...fish (by poisoning)'
		o-kanə 'eat'	konə 'if...eat'
		o-cəŋələ 'see'	cəŋələ 'see'
		o-tovi 'cry'	tovi 'if...cry'
		m-aava?i 'come'	m-aava?i 'if...come'
		om-oa 'go'	m-oa 'if...go'
		om-aļa 'take'	m-aļa 'if...take'
	Stative verbs	?itovoļo 'ask'	?itovoļo 'if...ask'
		ma-aloho 'grow up'	ma-aloho 'if...grow up'
		ma-đao 'a lot, many'	ma-đao 'if...a lot, many'
		ma-[l]oolai 'be young (child)'	ma-[l]oolai 'if...be young (child)'
		ma-savarə 'be young (man)'	ma-savarə 'if...be young (man)'
		ma-valovalo 'be young (woman)'	ma-valovalo 'if...be young (woman)'

- (36) a. olo ðomanaə, mani ðapələ-nai to-ka?a-ka?ajə  
when sometimes then Dyn.NFin:fish-1PE.Nom do-Red-fish  
[ɔikii-kisi...  
Red-Dyn.Subj:fish  
'Sometimes, we (would) go fishing...'
- a'. ðona?i lo ðopələ-nai maļa o?i ka?ajə...  
that when Dyn.Subj:fish-1PE.Gen Dyn.Subj:take that fish  
'If we had been fishing and caught fish...'
- b. om-aļa-[l]ao to-đo?a.  
Dyn.Fin-take-1S.Nom do-two  
'I caught two.'
- b'. cəsla ?i vaļavaļaø lo m-aļa-nai  
look outsider(s) when Dyn.Subj:take-1PE.Gen  
siriri ka mati-[l]ho?o-ka-i  
Dyn.Subj:take as wife:Red well-Dyn.NFin:know-Neg-3S.Gen  
m-ii?a vaha-nai.  
Dyn.Subj-like language-1PE.Gen

'Look at those outsiders; (even) if they inter-marry with the Mantauran, they do not understand our language very well.'

Table 13: Clausal nominals (3)

Morphological process	Types of verb	Verbal stem	Clausal nominal
<i>ni-V-a(ə)</i> [concessive clauses]	Dynamic verbs	<b>o-kaoðo</b> 'there is/was not'	<b>ni-kaoðo-a</b> 'even if...there is/was not'
		<b>o-ðolo</b> 'can'	<b>ni-ɻ-ðolo-a</b> 'even if... can' <sup>15</sup>
	Stative verbs	<b>ka-(ma)mai</b> 'self'	<b>ni-ka-mama]-a</b> 'even if...self'

- (37) a. o-kaoð-inamə paiso.  
           Dyn.Fin-not exist-1PE.Obl money  
           'We do/did not have money.'
- a'. ni-kaoðo-a-ð-inamə paiso, ka  
       CncNmz-Dyn.NFin:not exist-CncNmz-3S.Gen-1PE.Obl money  
       ma-ko-ka-i.  
       Stat.Fin-matter-Neg-3S.Gen  
       'Even if we did not have any money, it did not matter.'
- b. ni-ɻ-ðolo-a-ða matakataka ðona?i  
       CncNmz-Dyn.NFin:can-CncNmz-3S.Gen Stat:Red:elder sibling that  
       ?avai o-ðolo-ka-ða ?i-ða?anə.  
       woman Dyn.Fin-can-Neg-3S.Gen at-home  
       'Even eldest daughters could not stay in (their ancestral) home.'
- c. lo ma-taaði?i ðona ?aolai,  
    if Dyn.Subj-good that male  
ni-ka-?amat-a-ða  
       CncNmz-Stat.NFin-self-CncNmz-3S.Gen  
       ðona valovalo, o-ðolo a-itina  
       that young woman Dyn.Fin-can plur-middle-aged woman  
       a-tamatama kaamai poa pa-?acakəlaø.  
       plur-middle-aged man self Dyn.Subj:make Caus-marry  
       'If the boy was good/kind, the parents could have them marry, even if the girl disliked him.'

<sup>15</sup> The meaning of the prefix *ɻ-* in this particular environment is still unclear.

### 3.5 Summary

In the foregoing subsections, I have outlined the different nominalization processes that have been uncovered in Mantauran so far. This derivational process, which is very productive and fairly predictable, can be said to be unconstrained because:

- (i) loan words and compounds can undergo nominalization, cf. *kala-ɻaom-aə* ‘Japanese era/occupation’ and *ta-pa-ɻototalo-aə solato* ‘schoolbag’;
- (ii) a verb can undergo different types of nominalization; e.g., action nominalization *kanə* ‘eating’, Subject(ive) nominalization *ta-kanə* ‘(who) eats/ate’, objective nominalization *a-kan-aə* ‘food’, locative nominalization *ta-kanəkan-aə* ‘restaurant’, instrumental nominalization *ɻa-kanə* ‘instrument used to eat; e.g., fork’, etc.;
- (iii) it is not blocked because of the existence of lexical items “already filling the ‘slot’ which the derived form” might occupy, as argued by Comrie and Thompson (1985:358), cf. *ɻa-pana* ‘arrow’ (< *o-pana* ‘shoot (with a bow)’) vs. *ɻaili* ‘arrow’.

Table 14 provides a recapitulation of these different processes.

Table 14: Types of nominalizations in Mantauran Rukai

ACTION/STATE NOMINALS			
Action/state nominal	a-V	a-pasolatə	‘education’
		a-ka?aa?aa	‘flirt’
State nominal	V-aə	ca?əm-aə	‘disease’
Action nominal	V	kanə	‘eating’
	V <sub>Fin</sub>	oðaacə(-ni)	‘(when) did (he)...?’
	V <sub>Subj</sub>	ðoacə(-ni)	‘(when) will (he)...?’
ARGUMENT NOMINALIZATION			
Subject(ive)	ta-V	ta-ɻiho?o	‘(who) knows’
		ta-karoðaŋə	‘old people’
Objective	a-V-aə	a-kan-aə	‘food’
		kasəkəl-aə	‘angered about’
Locative	ta-V-aə	ta-oa-ə	‘place where ...go’
		ta-kaɔcələŋ-aə	‘dirt’
Instrumental	ɻa-V	ɻa-osarisario	‘toy’
Manner		ɻa-kataaði?i	‘how good’
Result	ɻa-po-V	ɻa-po-timo	‘as a result of salting’
Temporal	kala-V-aə	kala-ðoða?ol-aə	‘rainy season’
		kala-kaɻapaɻ-aə	‘summer’

CLAUSAL NOMINALIZATION					
<b>Temporal (past)</b>		<b>a-V</b>	<b>a-iki</b>	'when...were'	
			<b>a-ka oolai</b>	'when...a child'	
<b>Condition, hypothetical</b>		<b>V<sub>Subj</sub></b>	<b>ðoaðaacə</b>	'(If)...walk'	
			<b>maravərəvərə(-ni)</b>	'(If)...happy'	
<b>Concessive</b>		<b>ni-V-aə</b>	<b>ni-kaoðo-a</b>	'Even if there is not'	
			<b>ni-kamama -a</b>	'Even if...self'	
ABSTRACT NOUNS					
<b>Locative</b>	<b>-human</b>	<b>ta-N-aə</b>	<b>ta-və?ək-aə</b>	'pigpen'	
		<b>N-aə</b>	<b>acila -aə</b>	'pound'	
	<b>+human</b>	<b>N-naə</b>	<b>?avai-naə</b>	'girl/bride's family'	
		<b>Red-N</b>	<b>ao oololai</b>	'place full of children'	
<b>Temporal</b>	<b>kala-N-aə</b>	<b>kala-pahal -aə</b>	'harvest season'		
	<b>N-naə</b>	<b>ðoma-naə</b>	'sometimes, when'		

### 3.6 Phonologically and morphologically unpredictable instances

The aforementioned different morphological processes might trigger a number of morphophonological alternations, which, though they do not result from nominalization alone, are worth mentioning.

#### 3.6.1 Alternation between *i* (*y*) ~ *l*

Li (1973 and 1977b) showed that glides (among other types of consonants) might alternate with liquids as a result of suffixation in many Formosan languages. While I am not inclined anymore to recognize /y/ as a phoneme in Mantauran, it is true that the suffixation of *-a* (either in imperative constructions or derived nominals) triggers the alternation between *i* (*y*) and *l*.

- (38) a. okəlai 'hang' ~ ta-kəlakələl|-aə 'hanger'  
      b. olanjai 'buy' ~ a-lanja|-aə 'merchandise'  
                         ta-laŋa|-aə 'store'  
      c. kamamai '(one)self' ~ ni-kamama|-a 'even if...(one)self'  
      d. poacilai 'water (flowers)' ~ ta-poacila|-aə 'paddy field'  
      e. acilai 'water' ~ acila|-aə 'pound'  
      f. pahai 'rice' ~ kala-pahal|-aə 'harvest season (rice)'  
      g. ?aolai 'male' ~ ?aola|-a-naə 'groom's family'

### 3.6.2 Epenthetic vowel *-a-*

An epenthetic vowel *-a-* is inserted in the following examples:

- (39) a. ?aolai ‘male, man, boy’ ~ ?aolal-a-naə ‘groom’s family’  
                         vs. \* ?aolai-naə  
     a'. ða?anə ‘house’ ~ ða?an-a-**naə** ‘household’  
                         vs. \* ða?anə-**naə**  
     b. ?avai ‘female, woman, girl’ ~ ?avai-naə ‘bride’s family’  
                         vs. \* ?avala-naə  
     c. mənə ‘now, day’ ~ mən-a-**naə** ‘time’  
                         & mənə-**naə** ‘which day’

### 3.6.3 Suffixation of *-aə* vs. *-ə*

A phonological rule on the deletion of *-a* (< *-aə*) can be written as follows after the vowels /i, a, o/:

$$(40) \quad -aə \quad > -ə \quad / \quad \left[ \begin{array}{c} a \_ \\ i \_ \\ o \_ \end{array} \right]$$

Examples are plentiful. Consider, for instance:

- (41) a. om-iki ‘exist, be at’ ~ a-iki-**ə** (-?o) ‘where are (you)?’  
                         and not \* a-iki-**aə** (-?o)  
     b. ?anjato ‘brushwood’ ~ ta-?anjato-**ə** ‘woodshed’  
                         and not \* ta-?anjato-**aə**  
     c. om-oa ‘go’ ~ ta-oa-**ə** ‘place where (one) goes...’  
                         and not \* ta-oa-**aə**

There are, however, counterexamples to this rule, which thus far remain unaccounted for:

- (42) om-iki ‘exist, be at’ ~ kiki-**aə** ‘space’ vs. \*kiki-**ə**  
                         ~ ta-iki-**aə** ‘room’  
                         but ta-iki-**ə** ‘the place where...is’  
                         and to-ta-ikiki-**ə** ‘build a room/ bed’ (lit: build a place  
   to stay...)

### 3.6.4 “Glottal-hopping”

I use the term “glottal-hopping” to refer to the displacement of the glottal stop in word-initial (42) or word-final position (43):

- (43) o-**?osario** ‘play’ ~ **?a**-osarisario ‘toy’  
and not: \***?a**-**?osario**
- (44) a. o-[iho**?o**] ‘know’ ~ ki-[jhoa**?e**-nai] ‘...that we (did) not know (about)’  
and not: \* ki-[jho**?ae**-nai]
- b. ma-taaði**?i** ‘good’ ~ kataaðia**?e** ‘advantage’  
and not: \* kataaði**?ae**
- c. pi**?a** ‘do’ ~ tapapia**?e** ‘way, custom’  
and not: \* tapapi**?ae**

### 3.6.5 Reduplication

In certain nominalization patterns (e.g., locative and instrumental nominals derived lexically), reduplication is compulsory—compare, for instance, (45a-a'); but not if a nominal is syntactically derived (see sec. 4). However, the contrast between (45b-b') still needs to be accounted for:

- (45) a. ta-**?osario** ‘player’ vs. ta-**?osari-sario** ‘players’  
a'. \***?aosario** ‘toy’ vs. **?aosarisario** ‘toy(s)’  
b. acila]**aø** ‘pound’ & acilacila]**aø** ‘pound’  
b'. \***?dakəralaø** ‘river bank’ vs. **?dakərakəralaø** ‘river bank’

## 4. Related issues

The morphological resemblance between (finite) verbs and derived nominals has been recognized by many scholars (e.g., Starosta et al. 1982, Ferrell 1982, Cauquelin 1991a-b, Ross 1995, among others) and has led to a questioning of the nominal nature of what apparently seem to be verbal sentences (Haudricourt 1979). The Rukai dialects differ from the other Formosan languages in their verbal morphology, in that they primarily distinguish two voices, active vs. passive. In Mantauran, the distinction between a verb and its nominal counterpart is, to some extent, easy to establish because verbal prefixes and verbalizers are quite different in shape from nominalizers. In cases where ambiguity arises, e.g., bare roots might be either be treated as non-finite verb forms or nouns, the categorial nature of a word must be determined through its syntactic

distribution (see sec. 2). As amply exemplified in section 3, the dynamic/stative contrast that verbs exhibit is retained—nominals derived from dynamic verbs are unmarked; those derived from stative verbs are prefixed by *ka-* (for details, see Zeitoun 2000)—and the occurrence of verbalizers such as *to-* ‘do, make, build’ and *pa-* ‘causative’ is compulsory.

Below, I try to show that a distinction should be established between lexical and syntactic nominalization, but none can be reached at this point between nominalization and relativization.

I showed in section 2 that derived nominals exhibit six morpho-syntactic properties that help identify them as nouns. They can: (i) occur in an NP position; (ii) be modified by another noun; (iii) co-occur with a genitive pronoun; (iv) undergo topicalization; (v) be marked for plurality or circumfixed by a quantifier depending on their categorial nature; and (vi) trigger verbal agreement.

The following examples show that the same morphological processes are actually used to derive nominals both through lexical and syntactic processes:

- (46) a. Lexically derived action nominal

kala-?	aom-aø	<u>a-pa-sola-solatø</u>
TempNmz-Japanese-TempNmz		ActNmz-Caus-Red-Dyn.NFin:study
‘Japanese education’		

- a'. Syntactically derived clausal nominal

ðona?i	<u>a-pa-sola-solatø</u> -ð-inamø...
that	ClSNmz-Caus-Red-Dyn.NFin:study-3S.Gen-1PE.Obl
‘At that time, when they taught us...’	

- b. Lexically derived objective nominal

ðona?i	?a	kasa-ða	ðona?i
that	Top	only-3S.Gen	that
<u>a-kan-aø-nai</u> .			

ObjNmz-Dyn.NFin:eat-ObjNmz-1PE.Gen
‘That was the only food we had.’

- b'. Syntactically derived objective nominal

ma-taaði?i	konø	<u>a-akan-aø-ni</u>
Dyn.Fin-good	Dyn.Subj:eat	ObjNmz-Dyn.NFin:eat-ObjzNmz
mairajo.		

sweet potato

‘The sweet potato he ate was good.’

These two types of nominals exhibit different morpho-syntactic properties that are enumerated and illustrated in turn below.

- (i) The occurrence of a genitive pronoun after syntactically derived nominals is obligatory, optional with lexically derived nominals.

- (47) a. Lexically derived nominal

to?a-cakar-iðø                        valəvalø                ðona  
 use for-Dyn.NFin:tie-3S.Obl        bamboo                 that  
ta-iki-ki-aø    ?apəcə.  
 LocNmz-Red-Dyn.NFin:be at-LocNmz        Dyn.Subj:sleep  
 '(Strings of) bamboo were fixed together to form the (upper) place where  
 (men) slept.'

- b. Syntactically derived nominal

ðona?i                patoļaŋø                ta-piki-ki-ø-nai  
 that                    chest                        LocNmz-Dyn.NFin:put-Red-LocNmz-1PE.Nom  
 molaø                o-piki-mao                ?i                sororo  
 belongings            Dyn.Fin-put-Imprs.Nom        stone bed  
ta-iki-ki-aø\*(-mao)    ?apəcə.  
 LocNmz-Red-Dyn.NFin:be at-LocNmz-Imprs.Gen        sleep  
 'We (would) place the chest where we put away our clothes on the stone  
 bed where we slept.'

- (ii) Syntactically derived nominals may occur with aspectual suffixes; lexically derived nominals do not.

- (48) a. ona?i                a-iki-na-nai                                      ?oponoho...

that                    ClsNmz-Dyn.NFin:be at-still-1PE.Gen        place name  
 'When we still were in the old village...'

- b. ona?i                a-kaava?i-ga-ða                                      ?aomo...

that                    ClsNmz-Dyn.NFin:come-already-3S.Gen        Japanese  
 'After the Japanese came...' ~ 'When the Japanese had come...'

- (iii) Syntactically derived nominals may be negated; lexically derived nominals cannot.

- (49) ðona                ta-ka-kociŋai                                ca?øm-aø

that                    SubjNmz-Stat.NFin-serious        sick-StatNmz

ki-lihoa?-ø-nai

Neg-Dyn.NFin:know-ObjNmz-1PE.Gen

ki-ðolo-ø-nai,    mani        pato?o-na-inø

Neg-Dyn.NFin:know-ObjNmz-1PE.Gen        then            tell-1PE.Nom-3S.Obl  
 cara?ø-nai.

chief-1PE.Gen

'If the disease was (more) serious and we did not know how to (treat the patient), we (would) tell the (doctor-in) chief.'

- (iv) Syntactically derived nominals may take an object; lexically derived nominals cannot.

(50) olo      ki-|jho?o-nai                        ðona?i  
       when     Neg-Dyn.NFin:know-1PE.Gen   that  
a-pato?o-to?o-ð-inamə,  
       ClsNmz-tell-Red-3S.Gen-1PE.Obl  
       maatar-inamə                                    ma-ha?aoco...  
       Dyn.Fin:take one-1PE.Obl   Stat.Subj-scold  
       ‘If we did not understand our teachers (lit: when they taught us), we (would)  
       be scolded one by one...’

- (v) Syntactically derived clausal nominals agree in plurality with certain genitive subjects; their lexically derived action nominal counterparts do not.<sup>16</sup>

(51) a. Lexically derived action nominal  
       a-ka-[oolai/\*a-ka-a-o]olai  
       ActNmz-Stat.NFin-child/ActNmz-Sta.NFin-plur-child  
       b. onai a-ka-[oolai-li.../\*a-ka-a-o]olai-li...  
       that ActNmz-Stat.NFin-child-1S.Gen/ActNmz-Stat.NFin-plur-child-1S.Gen  
       ‘When I was a child...’  
       b'. onai a-ka-a-o]olai-nai.../\*a-ka-[oolai-nai...  
       that ActNmz-Stat.NFin-plur-child-1PE.Gen/ActNmz-Stat.NFin-child-1PE.Gen  
       ‘When we were children...’

- (vi) Lexically derived nominals can undergo (re-)verbalization, usually through the prefixation of *to-* ‘do, make, build’. No syntactically derived nominals were found to undergo such a process in the corpus collected.

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<sup>16</sup> Why certain types of nominal predicates require subject agreement, as in (i)-(ii), is still unclear to me at this stage.

- (i) a. i|ao      ?a      ?avai-|ao/\*a?ivivai-|ao  
       1S.Top    Top    woman-1S.Nom/plur:woman-1S.Nom  
       ‘As for me, I am a woman.’  
       b. inamə      ?a      \*avai-nai/a?ivivai-nai  
       1PE.Top    Top    woman-1PE.Nom/plur:woman-1PE.Nom  
       ‘As for us, we are women.’
- (ii) a. i|ao      ?a      ?oponoho-|ao  
       1S.Top    Top    Mantauran-1S.Nom  
       ‘As for me, I am a woman.’  
       b. inamə      ?a      ?oponoho-nai      (no other form could be elicited)  
       1PE.Top    Top    Mantauran-1PE.Nom  
       ‘As for us, we are Mantauran.’

- (52) ðona lo maka-to-ta?onaø-ŋa-mao o-po-iðø  
 that when finish-build-hut-already-Imprs.Gen Dyn.Fin-make-3S.Obl  
to-[ta-iki-ki-ɔ] ?apøcø..., mani  
 build-LocNmz-Red-Dyn.NFin:be at-LocNmz Dyn.Subj:sleep then  
 poa-mao to-[ta-palon-ɔ].  
 Dyn.NFin:make-Imprs.Nom build-LocNmz-cooking pot-LocNmz  
 ‘When we had finished the construction of the hut, we (would) make a bed ...  
 and we (would) build a cooking stove (with stones).’

(vii) Lexically derived locative and instrumental nominals usually undergo reduplication; syntactically derived nominals do not.

- (53) a. lo moromoro-mao, o-kaoðo  
 when Dyn.Subj:rinse-Imprs.Gen Dyn.Fin-Neg  
?a-moro-moromoro/?\*a-moromoro.  
 InstNmz-Red-Dyn.NFin:rinse/InstNmz-Dyn.NFin:rinse  
 ‘If we (wanted to) clean our teeth, there was no toothpaste/toothbrush.’  
 b. ara?evø lo ma-raði?i-ŋ-iðø ðona?i  
 but when Stat:Subj:heal-already-3S.Obl that  
ta-cikip-aɔ-n-iðø/  
 LocNmz-Dyn.NFin:sew-LocNmz-3S.Gen-3S.Obl/  
\*?ta-cikicikip-aɔ-n-iðø  
 LocNmz-Red-Dyn.NFin:sew-LocNmz-3S.Gen-3S.Obl  
 om-aļa-ŋa-nai ?inikakamamai ?o-cikipi.  
 Dyn.Fin-take-already-1PE.Nom self take off-Dyn.NFin:sew  
 ‘When the wound had healed and (we had to) take off the stitches, then  
 we could do it by ourselves.’

Subject(ive) nominals function like other syntactically derived nominals in that they retain the aforementioned verbal properties (54), but their impossible co-occurrence with genitive pronouns (55) remains, at this stage, to be accounted for.

- (54) a. olo pasolato-ð-inamø ‘aanja-i ta-(a)mo-ljho?o ?’  
 if teach-3S.Gen-1PE.Obl who-3S.Gen SubjNmz-will-Dyn.NFin:know?  
 lo mia-ða.  
 if Dyn.Subj:say-3S.Gen  
 ‘When we were at school, we would sometimes take exams.’  
 (Lit: When they taught us, they would say: “Who will know?”)

- b. ona?i a-o]olai la ona?i ta-a-?acakəlaə-ŋa  
 that plur-child and that SubjNmz-plur-married-already  
 ta-ka-a-roðaŋə oðo]o-nai ?ikariði  
 SubjNmz-Stat-plur-old can-1PE.Nom wear:fur jacket  
 'Children, already married (women) and old people could wear fur jacket.'
- c. ðona ta-ki-kanə va?]oro, o-ðo]o-ka-i ka  
 that SubjNmz-Neg-Dyn:NFin:eat rice Dyn.Fin-can-Neg-3S.Gen  
 molataðə ?olilio.  
 outside Dyn.Subj:play  
 'Those who have not eaten cannot go outside to play.'
- d. lo ?i-ra?]opo-ða ?a-paka?]ətə-?]ətə mani  
 when Pass-inject-3S.Gen InstNmz-Red-Dyn.NFin:kill then  
 ?i-vorovoro-ða, o-ðo]o-ka-nai ka ?inikakamamai  
 Pass-operate-3S.Gen Dyn.Fin-can-Neg-1PE.Gen self  
 pi?]a, ona?i ta-pato?oto?-inamə ta-pi?]a.  
 do that SubjNmz-Red:tell-1PE.Obl SubjNmz-Dyn.NFin:do  
 'If we had to give (the patient) an anaesthesia and operate, then we could not do it by ourselves.'
- (55) a. ana latəŋə ?a ta-[əðəkə\*(-ni)] taotao.  
 that vegetable Top SubjNmz-Dyn.NFin:plant-3S.Gen Taotao  
 'Those vegetables, it is Taotao who planted (them).'  
 (Lit: Those vegetables, Taotao is the one who planted them)
- b. ana latəŋə ?a [əðəkə\*(-ni)] taotao.  
 that vegetable Top ActNmz:Dyn.NFin:plant-3S.Gen Taotao  
 'Those vegetables, it is Taotao who planted (them)'  
 (Lit: Those vegetables, (they are) Taotato's planting)

Below a panorama of all the types of constructions that trigger (syntactic) nominalization in Mantauran—wh-questions (56), subordinate (57), pseudo-cleft (58), and relative clauses (59), as well as negative existential (60) and imperative (61) sentences—is offered, that shows that there seems to be no distinction whatsoever between syntactic nominalization and relativization in Mantauran.

- (56) a. aaŋa-i ta-?okoloð-imia?ə?  
 who-3S.Gen SubjNmz-afraid-2S.Obl  
 'Who is afraid of you?'

- b. aaŋa-i            ?okoloð-aø-?o?  
who-3S.Gen afraid-ObjNmz-2S.Gen  
'Whom are you afraid of?'
  - c. kani    pi?a-?o                                m-oa                        taipakə?  
why    ActNmz:Dyn.NFin:do-2S.Gen    Dyn.Subj-go place name  
'Why did you go to Taipei?'
  - d. amokoa-ni            ?a-ka-taaði?i-ni                                takaocaø-ni  
how-3S.Gen ManNmz-Stat.NFin-fast-3S.Gen character-3S.Gen  
'How nice is she?'
  - e. ?iðanaø    lo    maava?i-nomi ?  
when    if    Dyn.Subj:come-2P.Gen  
'When will you come again?'
- (57) a. ona?i    a-kaava?i-ða                                ðipolo...  
that    ClsNmz-Dyn.NFin:come-3S.Gen Zipolo  
'When Zipolo came...'
- b. ...lo    pato?o-ð-inamø                                a-?ia?ipi ...  
when    Dyn.Subj:teach-3S.Gen-1PI.Nom ActNmz-Dyn.NFin:count  
'...when they taught us arithmetic...'
- c. ni-kaoðo-a-ð-inamø                                paiso....  
CncNmz-not exist-CncNmz-3S.Gen-1PE.Obl money  
'Even if we had no money...'
- (58) a. aaŋa-li            ta-tipitip-inø                                ana    loolai  
who-1S.Gen SubjNmz-Dyn.NFin:beat-3S.Obl that child  
'It is me who beat the child.'
- b. ona?i    a-tipitip-aø-l-inø                                ana?i loolai  
that ObjNmz-Dyn.NFin:beat-ObjNmz-1S.Gen-3S.Obl that child  
'That is the child I beat.'
- (59) a. ana?i    ta-?i-kiþinjø                                taðiliaŋø    lalakə-li    ana  
that SubjNmz-wear-clothes red child-1S.Gen that  
'The one who wears red clothes is my child.'
- b. a-kan-aø-ni    vøløvølø    masi?i  
ObjNmz-Dyn.NFin:eat-ObjNmz-3S.Gen banana small  
'The banana he eats/ate is small.'
- (60) a. akaoðo    ka    ki-þihoa?-aø-li  
not exist    Neg-Dyn.NFin:know-ObjNmz-1S.Gen  
'There is nothing that I do not know.'

- b. *akaoðo*    ka    tonotoa?-*ə*    kipini.  
 not exist               short-ObjNmz    clothes  
 '[At that time] there weren't short clothes.'
- (61) a. a-kan-aə-?o!  
 ObjNmz-Dyn.NFin:eat-ObjNmz-2S.Gen  
 'Don't eat!'  
 b. a-?onol-aə-?o!  
 ObjNmz-Dyn.NFin:drink-ObjNmz-2S.Gen  
 'Don't drink!'

## 5. Conclusion

This paper represents a preliminary study of nominalization in Mantauran, but I hope to have shown that this very regular and productive process poses empirical and theoretical problems in this dialect/language worth studying in even greater detail.

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## 魯凱語萬山方言名物化結構探究

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本篇論文主要以大量的長篇語料為依據來探討魯凱語萬山方言名物化結構。文中所使用的構詞及句法的證明是用來進一步識別派生名詞與動詞以及區分發生在詞彙及句法兩個層面的名物化結構。再者，本篇論文試圖證明，魯凱語萬山方言中名物化與關係子句的相似性。

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