

On Multiplicity of Discourse-Cognitive Strategies in Grammaticalization: The Case from Simultaneity to Cause to Surprise

1. Introduction

- Korean has a number of clausal connectives that developed through a fusion of complementizers (COMP), signalling that they originated from marking quoted speech.
- These COMP-based connectives underwent diverse semantic-functional changes reflecting the speaker's attitude toward the quoted speech.
- Many of the COMP-based connectives developed into sentence final particles (SFPs) through a process of main-clause ellipsis ('insubordination').
- This paper addresses the grammaticalization processes that were involved in the development of one such SFP, *-tamyense*.

(1) a. Clausal Connective (CONN)

ku-ka pappu-tamyense an manna-cwu-n-ta
he-NOM be.busy-CAUS not meet-BEN-PRES-DEC

'He refuses to see (me) because he is busy (Lit.: ..., while saying that he is busy).'

b. Sentence-Final Particle (SFP)

ne yocum pappu-tamyense
you these.days be.busy-SFP

'I hear you are busy, aren't you!'

- (1a): clausal connective for marking causality
- (1b): sentence-final particle for signalling subjectivity/intersubjectivity (i.e. addressee-confirmation, challenge, derision, surprise, etc.).

[Research Objectives]

- This paper intends:
 - (i) to investigate how the SFP *-tamyense* was grammaticalized
 - (ii) to analyze how multiple factors interplay in emergence of a grammatical function, which splits out of an older function and eventually forms a 'heterosemy' (Lichtenberk 1991) relation.
 - (iii) to illustrate that extensive semantic bleaching, ellipsis of the main clause, pragmatic inferencing, intersubjectification, and reanalysis play a role in the development of certain sentential endings that arose and are presently arising in Modern Korean.

2. Grammaticalization of *-tamyense*

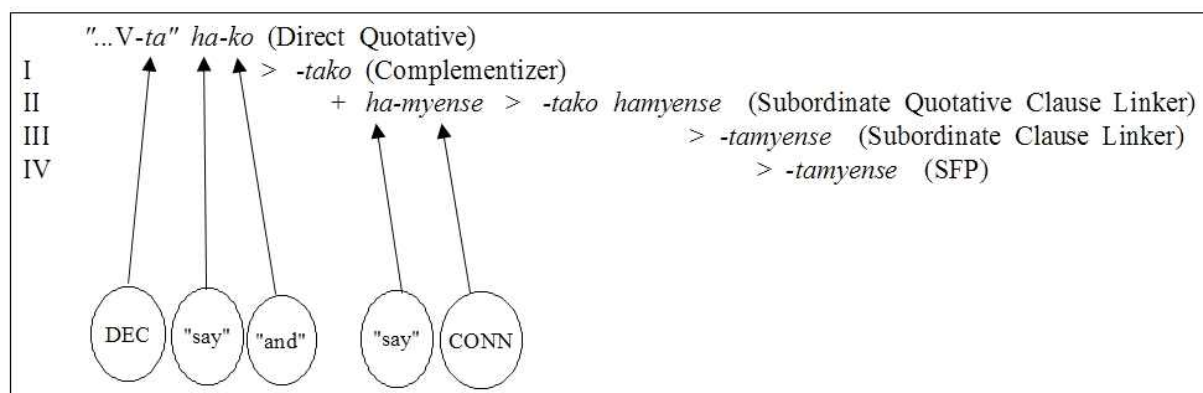
2.1 Source Construction of *-tamyense*

- The SFP *-tamyense* developed from a direct quotation construction.

(2) Developmental Stages of the SFP *-tamyense*

"...V-ta" hako ha-myense	>>	-tako ha-myense	>>	-tamyense	>>	-tamyense!
While saying, "...V-ta," ...		While saying that...		because		...!
[spell-out of historical contractions]						
Stage I: "...V-ta" ha-ko		(Direct Quotative)				
> -tako		(Complementizer)				
Stage II: -tako + ha-myense		(Subordinate Quotative Clause Linker)				
> -tako hamyense						
Stage III: -tako hamyense						
> -tamyense		(Subordinate Clause Linker)				
Stage IV: -tamyense,						
> -tamyense!		(SFP)				

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2.2 Development of Complementizer *-tako*

- The COMP *-tako* developed from the declarative sentence-type marker *-ta* (SFP), the verb of saying *ha-* 'say', and the connective *-ko* 'and'.

(4) Developmental Stages of the COMP *-tako* (modified from Rhee 2009)

Stage I	>>	Stage II	>>	Stage III
Coordinated Structure		Subordinated Structure		Phonological Reduction
...ta]-ha]-ko		...ta]-hako		...tako
...SFP]-say]-and		...SFP]-QUOT.CONN		...COMP

2.3 Development of Simultaneity Marker *-myense*

- Connective *-mye* started its life as one denoting concomitance in Old Korean.
- It was one of the most frequently used connectives in Middle Korean, marking various senses of concomitance, i.e. Simultaneity, Contingency, Background, Contrast, Enumeration and Alternation.
- From around the 15th c. *-mye* came to occur with the sequentiality marker *-se* (and its variant *-sy*).

- In the 19th century *-mye* comes to form its semantically and phonologically reinforced variant *-myense*, which is highly polyfunctional: Simultaneity, Background, Contrast and Adversativity.

(5) <i>-mye</i>	<i>-myense</i>
Simultaneity	Simultaneity
Contingency	Contingency
Background	Background
Contrast	<u>Contrast</u>
<u>Enumeration</u>	<u>Adversativity</u>
<u>Alternation</u>	

3. Grammaticalization of Clausal Connective *-tamyense*

3.1 Clausal Connective of Simultaneity *-tamyense*

- From around 1890s, *-myense* underwent further syntagmatic fusion with declarative-based complementizer *-tako*, and becomes *-tamyense* [*-tako ha-myense* > *-tamyense*].
- The function of *-tamyense* that first occurred is to mark simultaneity: ‘while saying that...’.

(6) Source Construction

<i>alasya</i>	<i>kongkwan-ey</i>	<i>chyulniphA-n-tako</i>	<i>hA-myensye</i>
Russia	embassy-at	come.and.go-PRES-COMP	<u>say-CONN</u>
<i>liyengsil</i>	<i>kangcAyung-ulpoko</i>	<i>hA-nAn</i>	<i>mal-i...</i>
[name]	[name]-DAT	say-ADN	word-NOM

‘While saying (claiming) that he regularly goes to the Russian Embassy, what he said to Lee Youngsil and Kang Jaeung is that...’ (1896, *The Toklipsinmwun Daily* 523)

3.2 Clausal Connective of Cause *-tamyense*

- Around the turn of the 20th c., *-tamyense* began to cease to function as a true quotation-introducer, even though it originated historically from a complementizer construction.

(7) *ku-ka pappu-tamyense an manna-cwu-n-ta*

he-NOM be.busy-CAUS not meet-BEN-PRES-DEC

‘He refuses to see (me) because he is busy (Lit.: ..., while saying that he is busy).’

3.3 Clausal Connective of Concessivity *-tamyense*

- Around the turn of the 20th c. the most common function of *-tamyense* was to mark concessivity ‘despite that...’.

(8) <i>inmin-ul</i>	<i>pohohA-yacw-n-tamyensye</i>	<i>ile-n</i>	<i>kes-ul</i>
people-ACC	protect-BEN-PRES-CONN	like.this-ADN	thing-ACC
<i>pAlkhy-ecwu-cian-nAn</i>	<i>kes-un...</i>		
clarify-BEN-NEG-ADN	thing-TOP		

‘While claiming that they (as civil servants) are protecting the people, that they do not clarify this kind of matter (taxes imposed on Koreans by Chinese) is... (to neglect their job)’ (1896, *The Toklipsinmwun Daily* 1858)

4. Grammaticalization of SFP *-tamyense*

- In the 20th century, the incomplete form became widely used with the main clause ellipsis (or ‘insubordination’ Evans 2007, or ‘suspended clause’ Ohori 1995), whereby the connective acquired the function of a sentence-ender (SFP).

4.1 SFP of Addressee-Confirmation

- The SFP *-tamyense* is used for addressee confirmation either with a question or statement intonation. This can often be in a discourse-initial utterance.

- (10) *ne yocum pappu-tamyense*
you these.days be.busy-SFP
‘You are busy these days? (So I heard.)’

4.2 SFP of Challenge

- The SFP *-tamyense* strongly carries the speaker’s challenging attitude when statements or situations are incongruous.

- (11) A: (I’m going to the movie.)
B: *mwe? ne aphu-tamyense*
what? you be.sick-SFP
‘What? Aren’t you sick? (Didn’t you say so?)’

- (12) (to a corrupt and cruel nobleman)
hakcya mwunha-ey chyulip-ul hA-yas-tamyensye....
scholar circle-at come.and.go-ACC do-PST-SFP
yepo nA-s-kap-ina com hA-si-o
look! age-GEN-value-PRT please do-HON-IMP
‘You were educated at a scholarly circle?!... Look, act like a man of your age!’
(1911, Lee Haejo *Hwauihyel* 7)

4.3 SFP of Derision

- The SFP *-tamyense* signals the derisive attitude of the speaker.

- (13) (To someone who failed a course)
ani ne ipeney canghakkum tha-n-tamyense
no you this.time scholarship earn-PRES-SFP
‘What? Weren’t you going to win a scholarship? (Didn’t you say so?)’

4.4 SFP of Surprise

- The incongruity meaning develops into surprise, counterexpectation, mirativity.

- (14) *kyay-ka sicipka-n-tamyense!*
she-NOM marry-PRES-SFP
‘(Is it true that) she is going to marry?’

5. Discussion

5.1 Insubordination (Main-Clause Ellipsis)

- In the 20th century, the SFP *-tamyense* developed from the main clause ellipsis, in which situation the addressee tries to reconstruct the elided main clause, a phenomenon found to be often responsible for many instances of semantic changes through inferences in Korean (Koo 1999, Rhee 2002, 2008, 2010, 2012, Sohn 2003)
- This type of ellipsis is attested across languages (Haiman's 'inconsequential clauses' (1988), Davis' 'disruption' (n.d.), Ohori's 'suspended clauses' (1995), Evans's 'insubordination' (2007, 2009), Heine et al.'s 'thetical constructions' 'insubordinated clause' (2011). see also Iguchi (1998), Higashiizumi (2006).

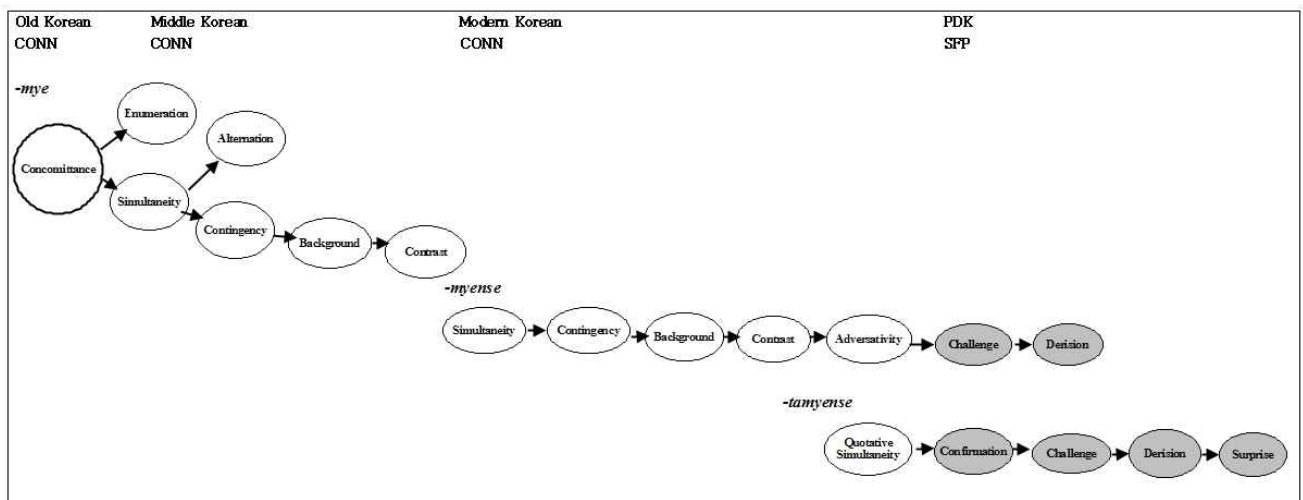
(15) A: [Let's go shopping!]
 B: *ton eps-tamyense syophingha-le ka-ø?*
 money not.exist-CONN go.shopping-PURP go-SFP?
 'Go shopping while you say you have no money?'

(16) A: [Let's go shopping!]
 B: *ton eps-tamyense?*
 money not.exist-SFP(Challenge)
 'What? Didn't you say you have no money?'
 (Lit. 'While you say you have no money...?')

5.2 Pragmatic Inference and Semantic Change

- The SFP/CONN *-tamyense* has many meanings, but their new meanings are not random.
- Semantic innovation is gradual because a new meaning arises out of the old one.

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- In ellipsis, i.e., when the main clause is missing, the addressee is compelled to reconstruct the elided main clause, a process where context-induced reinterpretations (Heine et al. 1991), or invited inferences, actively take place.
- Such reinterpreted meanings are actively being conventionalized to become a part of the semantics of the newly emerging SFP.

(18) Inferring ‘Confirmation’ and ‘Challenge’ from Connective *-tamyense*

Original Connective Meaning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concurrence/Background • Contrast
What Addressee Hears	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • while A • in contrast with A
What Addressee (Re)constructs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • in that time frame B • in contrast, B
What Usually Follows When Used as Connective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • concurrent event • contrasting event
What Addressee Infers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [B is the concurrent event of A] B is the current state bearing relevance to A; A was already known to the speaker through a channel other than the addressee >> mild protest >> Addressee Confirmation • [B is the contrasting event of A] B is an event contrasting with A; speaker thinks the two events must be reconciled; speaker demands addressee's emendation >> Challenge

(19) A's Inference of Challenge from the ‘go-shopping’ example (16)

- (i) I heard B say “[You have no money]-**TAMYENSE**(Concurrent)?”.
- (ii) B did not finish the sentence.
- (iii) If B had completed the sentence it would have been:
“[You have no money]-**TAMYENSE**(Concurrent), [[how can we go shopping at the same time?]]”
- (iv) Having no money and going shopping are not compatible.
- (v) B thinks that I should either revoke my claim (having no money) or my current proposal (going shopping).
- (vi) Y is challenging my proposal.
- (vii) **-TAMYENSE** may not be 'while'; its meaning is more felicitous when interpreted as 'challenge'.
- (viii) What I heard is: [You have no money]-**TAMYENSE**(Challenge)

5.3 Analogy-Driven Grammaticalization

- The grammatical forms follow the most frequently-used form that spearheads the change.
- For instance, those forms incorporated with the imperative, interrogative, and hortative markers follow the one with DECLarative marker *-tamyense*: i.e., *-lamyense* (imperative), *-nyamyense* (interrogative), *-camyense* (hortative).
- According to a quantitative analysis, such change is enabled purely by their semantic and morphosyntactic similarities, i.e. their paradigm membership, despite their extremely low token frequencies.
- This is contra two important hypotheses: that analogy is not a decisive mechanism of grammaticalization and that the high frequency is as essential as a prerequisite to set a condition for grammaticalization. (cf. Bybee and Hopper 2001 and works therein; Krug 2001; Bybee 2003, 2007, 2011; Torres Cacoullos and Walker 2011)

(20) Frequency of *-{ta}myense* Source Constructions (c. 1890-1920, The Sejong Corpus)

	Source Forms	Token Frequency	Total (%)
Declarative	<i>-tako ha-myense</i>	17	38 (86.3%)
	<i>-tako X-myense</i>	21	
Imperative	<i>-lako ha-myense</i>	4	4 (9.1%)
	<i>-lako X-myense</i>	0	
Interrogative	<i>-nyako ha-myense</i>	0	1 (2.3%)
	<i>-nyako X-myense</i>	1	
Hortative	<i>-cako ha-myense</i>	1	1 (2.3%)
	<i>-cako X-myense</i>	0	

ha-myense: 'while saying'

X-myense: X is a verb (mostly of cognition and locution)

(21) Frequency of *-{ta}myense* forms (c. 1890-1920, The Sejong Corpus)

	Source Forms	Token Frequency	Total (%)
Declarative	<i>-tamyense</i>	31	31 (100%)
Imperative	<i>-lamyense</i>	0	
Interrogative	<i>-nyamyense</i>	0	
Hortative	<i>-camyense</i>	0	

5.4 Formal Change and Reanalysis

- From a formal point of view, phonological erosion gives rise to opacity of the internal morpho-syntactic structure of the given form, resulting in an awkward situation where a constellation of multiple linguistic forms cannot be appropriately analyzed through traditional morpho-syntactic rules.
- The COMP *-tako* had the verb of saying *ha-* in it, but after its disappearance, speakers added another *ha-* to it, which eventually eroded again.
- Formal opacity triggers reanalysis whereby the remnants are construed as single grammatical units.
- Clausal ellipsis triggers the structural reanalysis of the connective into a sentential ending.

5.5 Subjectification and Intersubjectification

- Traugott (1982): semantic-pragmatic change in the initial propositional (ideational) content can gain either textual (cohesion-making) and expressive (interpersonal, and other pragmatic) meanings, or both: Propositional > ((textual) > (expressive)).
- The changes of CONN *-myense* from Simultaneity > Contingency > Background > Contrast > Adversativity are instances of subjectification.
- The changes of CONN *-tamyense* from Simultaneity > Cause > Concessivity are instances of subjectification.
- The pragmatic inference that operates in the process of main-clause reconstruction tends to involve intersubjectification (Traugott & Dasher 2002), because this type of main-clause ellipsis is often strategically employed in vis-a-vis dialogues, where the interlocutors have relatively a low level of risk since they can rescue the interaction once misinterpretation is detected.
- The changes of SFP *-tamyense* from Addressee-Confirmation > Challenge > Derision > Surprise are instances of intersubjectification.

6. Summary and Conclusion

- The grammatical change, as exemplified here, is not a local isolated phenomenon. Rather, numerous forms have followed, and are presently following, the same pattern, thus creating a massive heterosemy between connective and sentential ending functions.
- Even though the latter developed out of the former, the extent of pragmatic inference is such that there is no perceived semantico-functional affinity between them and they are considered as homophonic grammatical forms.
- Drawing upon historical data, this paper showed that orchestration of multiple grammaticalization mechanisms and discourse-cognitive strategies brings forth a large-scale effect in grammar, creating multiple functional paradigms derived from existing paradigms.

- Of significant findings in the analysis of the functional shift from Connectives > SFPs are:

- (22) (i) The functional shift of *-tamyense* from Concomitance to Surprise is not abrupt but gradual along the conceptual continuum.
- (ii) The development of the SFP *-tamyense* is triggered by main clause ellipsis.
- (iii) The emergence of the SFP meanings is due to the ‘context-induced reinterpretation’ and pragmatic inferences.
- (iv) (Inter-)subjective pragmatic inferences used to fill the information gap in elliptical structures become conventionalized comprising the semantics of the emerging function.
- (v) Grammaticalization can be triggered by analogy, i.e., by the structural similarity and paradigm membership, rather than by virtue of high frequency and concomitant conceptual changes.

Abbreviations:

ACC: accusative	ADN: adnominal	BEN: benefactive	CAUS: causative
COMP: complementizer	CONN: connective	DAT: dative	DEC: declarative
GEN: genitive	HON: honorific	IMP: imperative	NEG: negative
NOM: nominative	PRES: present	PRT: particle	PST: past
PURP: purposive	SFP: sentence-final particle	TOP: topic	

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