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# Introduction

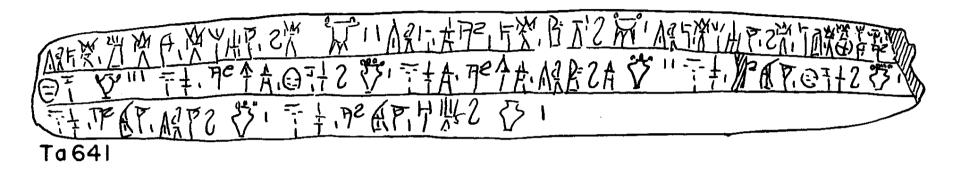
## Introduction

- Greek dialect spoken in Crete and continental Greece between the 15th and the 12th c. BC
- Decipherment of the writing: Michael Ventris 1952
- M. Ventris & J. Chadwick: Documents in Mycenaean Greek, 1953

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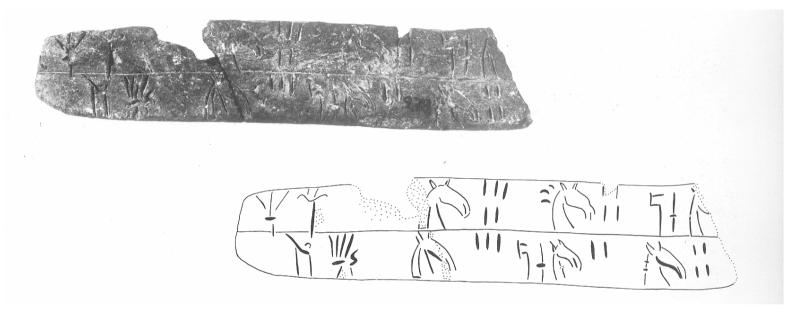


#### PY Ta 641

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.2 qe-to \*203<sup>VAS</sup> 3 di-pa, me-zo-e, qe-to-ro-we \*202<sup>VAS</sup> 1 di-pa-e, me-zo-e ti-ri-o-we-e \*202<sup>VAS</sup> 2 di-pa, me-wi-jo, qe-to-ro-we \*202<sup>VAS</sup> 1 di-pa, me-zo-e ti-ri-o-we-e \*202<sup>VAS</sup> 1 di-pa, me-wi-jo, a-no-we \*202<sup>VAS</sup> 1

## PY Ta 641

#### A failure at deciphering Lineal B



#### **KN** Ca 895 + *fr*.

- .1 i-qo equf 5 equ<sup>m</sup> 4 po-ro equ[
- .2 o-no equf 3 po-ro equ 2 equ<sup>m</sup> 4 [

#### KN Ca 895

## The Aegean in the Bronze Age



Greece in the Bronze Age. Three distinctive civilizations—Cycladic, Minoan, and Mycenaean—developed around the Aegean Sea in the third and second millennia B.C.E.

## Extant documents in Mycenaean: Knossos

- About 3000 tablets from the Knossos
   Palace in Crete
- •Three phases (Driessen 1990).
  - •Room of the chariots: 1425-1385
  - •Room of the bases of the columns
  - •Final destruction of the palace: 1300-1200

#### Extant documents in Mycenaean: Pylos

 About 1200 tablets from the "Palace of Nestor" in Pylos (today Epano Englianós)

•Tablets dating from the phase of destruction of the palace (about 1200 BC)

#### Extant documents in Mycenaean: Thebes

About 400 inscriptions and fragments

•The most important recent finding: about 200 tablets published by Aravantinos, Godart & Sacconi

•Tablets dating from 1350-1300 (the oldest in continental Greece)

# Extant documents in Mycenaean: other centers

- Mycene
- Tyrins
- Khania
- Iklaina (Messenia)

#### The Mycenaean palatial documents

- Besides its political and religious activities, the Mycenaean, the Mycenaean palaces were important ecomomic and administrative centers
- •The Mycenaean tablets are directly linked to the control and organization of Mycenaean economy (production, storage, taxation...)

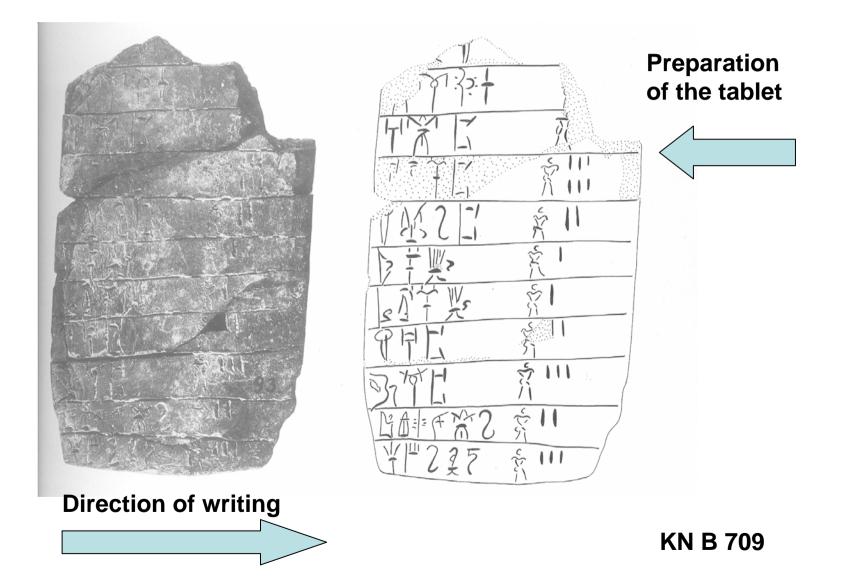
#### The Mycenaean palatial documents

- Lineal B tablets were written on clay and they were not baked but dried on the sun
- They must have been provisional records intended to be valid for one "fiscal year"
- Maybe there were other kinds of documents for longer term information storage (cf. *dip<sup>h</sup>t<sup>h</sup>eraloip<sup>h</sup>ós* 'school master', lit. 'leather annointer' in Cyprus)

#### The Mycenaean palatial documents

- Lineal B tablets were intended to be read in the same place where they had been written, probably by the same person who had written them (or a close coworker)
- They were intended for "private" use and could be sketchy, just like a kind of reminder
- What really mattered to the "scribes" were the quantities and the goods referred to

#### Shape of the documents



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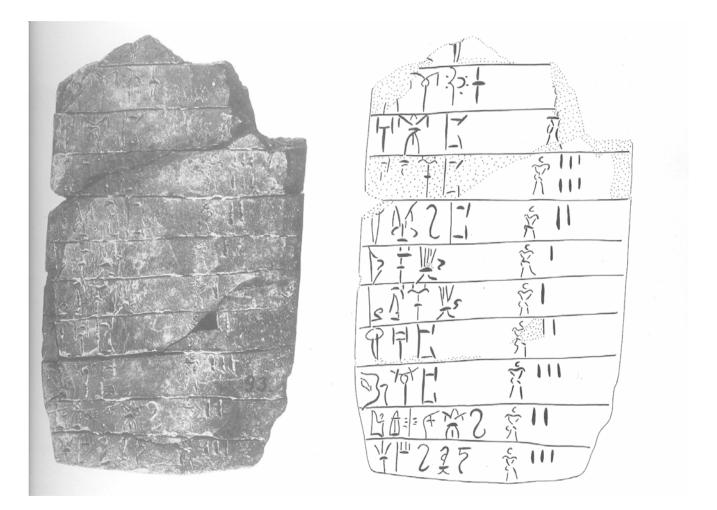


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#### Palm leave format

KN Ga 676



#### Page format

KN B 709

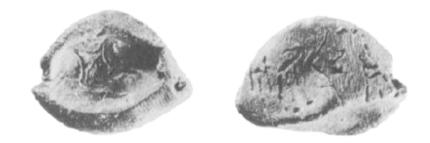


Fig. 20. PY Wr 1457 (da Blegen - Rawson 1966, I:2, Tav. 275.8-9)

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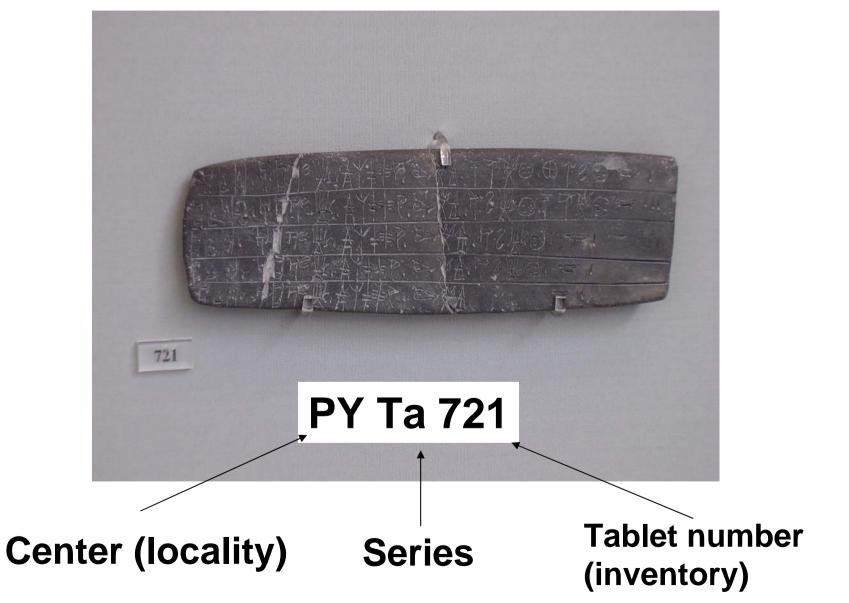
- .a \*152 supra sigillum
- .β a-pu-do-si
- .γ vacat

#### **Nodules (precints)**



#### Jar inscriptions

#### Referring to a tablet



#### Location prefixes

KN = Knossos PY = Pylos TH = Thebes MY = Mycenae TI = Tiryns KH = Khania

## Series

A (Ag, Ai...): personnel lists C (Ca, Ce...): cattle D (Da, Dh...): sheep E (Ea, Eb...): grain F (Fh, Fp...): oil J (Ja, Jn...): metal K: vases L (La, Lc...): textiles M (Ma, Mb...): contributions of different types N, O (Na..., Oa...): textile materials and other R (Ra): weapons S (Sa, Sc...): chariots and armours T (Ta, Tn...): furniture and other equipment U (Ua, Ub...): miscellaneous V (Va, Vc...): tablets without logograms W (Wa, Wb...): nodules and labels

## The Lineal B script

Writing system: general features

• Lineal "B" (vs. previous Lineal "A" for Minoan in Crete)

"Lineal" vs. other "pictographic" Aegean scripts

Writing system: general features

• The Lineal B script combines various types of signs:

- syllabic signs,
- logograms (ideograms),
- other signs (e.g. word dividers).

## Syllabograms

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## The structure of the syllabary

	TIMBRE a	TIMBRE e	TIMBRE i	TIMBRE O	TIMBRE U				
		VOCAL/CONSON	NANTE + VOCAL						
	а	е	i	о	и				
p-	pa	pe	pi	po	pи				
t-	ta	te	ti	to	tu				
d-	da	de	di	do	du				
k-	ka	ke	ki	ko	ku				
q-	qa	qe	qi	qo	qu				
m-	та	me	mi	то	mu				
<b>n</b> -	na	ne	ni	no	пи				
w-	wa	we	wi	wo	wu				
j-	ja	je		jo	ju				
r-	ra	re	ri	ro	ru				
s-	sa	se	si	50	su				
z-	za	ze		zo	zu				
	-	DIPTO	NGOS						
	a3 (ai)								
	au								
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		Aspir	ADAS						
	a2 (ha)								
p-	*56 = pa2				$pu_2$				
	PALATALIZADAS								
p-		pte (*< pje)							
t-	ta <sub>2</sub>								
r-	ra <sub>2</sub>			ro2					
	LABIALIZADAS								
t-	*82= twa	twe	*64 = twi	two					
d-	*86 = dwa	dwe		dwo					
11-	nwa	*83 = nwe							
NO TRANSL.	*18, *19, *22, *34/*35, *47, *49, *63, *79, *89								

## Syllabograms: basic and additional signs

- •*pa-we-a*<sub>2</sub> / *pa-we-a* (/p<sup>h</sup>arweha/ φάρFεhα, cf. φ $\hat{\alpha}$ ρος 'mantle')
- • $a_3$ -ki- $a_2$ -ri-ja / a-ki- $a_2$ -ri-ja- (place name /aigihalía/ Aἰγιhαλία)
- •pte-re-wa / pe-te-re-wa (gen. /ptelewās/ πτελέ Fāς 'made of elm', cf. πτελέα)
- •ra-wa-ra-ta<sub>2</sub> / ra-wa-ra-ti-ja / ra-wa-ra-ta (?) (place name /laurant<sup>h</sup>ia/ Λαυρανθία)
- •*o-two-we- / o-tu-wo-we* (personal name /ort<sup>h</sup>wōwēs/ 'ΟρθFώFης)
- •dwo-jo / du-wo-jo (personal name /dwoios/  $\Delta$ Foîoς) •pu<sub>2</sub>-ke / pu-ke (personal name /p<sup>h</sup>uskēs/ Φύσκης uel sim.)

 lack of distinction between long and short vowels Exceptionally: *qo-o* /g<sup>w</sup>ons/ Ac. Plu. of \*g<sup>w</sup>ous 'cow'

• the *p*- series is employed for syllabes with  $/p/\pi$ ,  $/b/\beta$ , and  $/p^h/\phi$ . But  $pu_2 = /p^hu/$  and possibly  $pa_2 = /p^ha/$ 

• the k- series is employed for syllabes with /k/  $\kappa,$  /g/  $\gamma,$  and /k^h/  $\chi.$ 

- the *d* series is employed only for syllabes with /d/  $\delta$ , while the *t* series is used both for /t/  $\tau$ , and /t<sup>h</sup>/ $\theta$ .
- in the labiovelar series (q-) the sign for /qu/ is lacking (probably because the combination did not exist in Mycenaean)
- the *r* series is employed both for /r/ and /l/

- in the *w* series the sign for /wu/ is lacking
- in the *j* series the sign \*65 probably stands for /ju/ and sometimes for /zu/, while there is no /ji/
- the *w* and the *j* series are employed both for phonematic /w/ and /y/ and for the phonetic glides developed by /i/ and /u/ before a vowel, as in the place name *ri-jo* /rion/ 'Píov or *ku-wa-no* /kuanō 'lapislazuli'

Some exceptions: *i-e-re-u/i-je-re-u* ἱερεύς 'priest'

• the *z*- series (and probably \*65 = /zu/) is employed for palatal consonants. The sign for /zi/ is lacking

• geminates are not distinguished, e.g. *ko-no-so* /knōssos/ Κνωσσός

• there are series for labialized consonants *dw-*, *tw-* and *nw-*

• there are two special signs for diphthongs:  $a_3 = /ai/and au$ Other possibilities for writing diphthongs:

#### DIPHTHONGS IN -U

• usually the sign for -*u* is employed: *a*-*ro*-*u*-*ra* /arourans/, *qa*-*si*-*re*-*u* /g<sup>w</sup>asileus/ (cf. βασιλεύς)

 between /r/ and vowel: personal name *e-wi-ri-po* /euripos/ Eὔριπος; place name *ra-wa-ra-ti-ja*/*ra-u-ra-ti-ja* /lauranthia/ Λαυρανθίā.

- For /eu/ also *e-u-wa-ko-ro/e-wa-ko-ro* /euagros/ Εὔαγρος
- Sometimes /u/ is simply not written:  $qo-qo-ta-o/qo-u-qo-ta-o/gwougwotas/\gamma^wov\gamma^w \acute{\sigma} \tau \alpha \varsigma$  'cowboy'

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DIPHTHONGS IN -I

• /i/ is usually omitted, as in *wo-ko-de* /woikonde/ Foîkóv $\delta \varepsilon$ 'to home' (always in Pylos and Thebes). At Knossos we find alternations like PN *a-pi-qo-i-ta/a-pi-qo-ta* /amp<sup>h</sup>ik<sup>hw</sup>oitās/ 'Aµφı $\chi^w$ oítā $\varsigma$ 

- $a_3 = /ai/$  is employed in all the sites
- but  $ra_3 = /rai/$  is only used at Pylos: di-pte- $ra_3/di$ -pte-ra/diphthera/  $\delta\iota\phi\theta\epsilon\rho\alpha$
- when followed by a vowel, the *j* series is employed: *ke-ra-ja-pi*, but also *ke-ra-i-ja-pi* /keraiāpi/ κεραίāφι Instr. Pl.

CLUSTERS OF VARIOUS CONSONANTS:

• With the Lineal B syllabograms open syllables can be written, but the Greek language also had other syllabic structures such as  $-\sigma\tau$ ,  $-\nu\sigma$ ,  $-\mu\pi$ - and so on.

Two strategies are possible:

a) Leaving out the first consonant of a cluster;b) Employing two syllabograms, one of which would thus have a "dummy" vowel (e.g. un unpronounced vowel)

CLUSTERS WITH AN OCCLUSIVE IN THE FIRST POSITION:

- In this case, the general norm is that the two consonants are written, as in the following cases:
  - Two stops: *te-ko-to* /tektōn/ τέκτων 'carpenter'
  - Stop + (resonant or nasal): *a-ko-ro* /agros/ ἀγρός
     'field'; *po-ti-ni-ja* /potnia/ πότνια 'lady'
  - Stop + sybilant: qi-si-pe-e /k<sup>w</sup>sip<sup>h</sup>ehe/ κ<sup>w</sup>σίφεhε du.
     'sword'
  - Stop + w: o-da-ke-we-ta/o-da-ku-we-ta /odakwenta/ όδάκFεντα

- CLUSTERS WITH /s/, /m/, /n/, /r/ or /l/ IN FIRST POSITION:
- When followed by a stop, the general norm is that the first consonant is not written: *pe-ma* /sperma/ σπέρμα 'seed'; *a-pi* /amp<sup>h</sup>i/ ἀμφί
  - Some possible exceptions: *i-su-ku-wo-do-to* /isk<sup>h</sup>wodotos/ Ἰσχυόδοτος
- When combined among them (except /s), both consonants are usually written: *a-mi-ni-so* /amnīsos/ Αμνīσός; *do-so-mo* /dosmos/ δοσμός 'delivery'; *wi-ri-za* /wriza/ Fpíζα 'root'
  - Exception: clusters of /r/ + nasal or /w/: *a-mo* /harmo/ ἄρμο 'charriot'; *ko-wa* /korwā/ κόρFā 'girl' (but there are exceptions to the exception)

CLUSTERS OF THREE CONSONANTS:

Same rules as for clusters of two consonants applied in the expected order, as in:

- $a_3$ -ka-sa-ma /aiksmans/ αἰκσμάνς Ac.pl. 'tip (of arrow)'
- te-qa-de /thēgwansde/  $\Theta\eta\gamma\omega\sigma\delta\epsilon$  'to Thebes'
- a-re-ku-tu-ru-wo /alektruōn/ Ἀλεκτρυών

CONSONANTS IN FINAL POSITION OF THE WORD

- The general rule is that one consonant at the end of the word is not written: *a-ko-ro* /agros/  $d\gamma\rho\delta\zeta$  'field', *ki-to* /k<sup>h</sup>itōn/  $\chi\iota\tau\omega\nu$  'tunic'.
- We cannot be sure whether final stops were preserved in Mycenaean:
- Nom. *me-ri* /meli(t)/ μέλι(τ) 'honey' vs. Gen. *me-ri-to* /mélitos/ μέλιτος
- -wi-de /wide(t)/ Fí $\delta \varepsilon(\tau)$  'he saw'

CONSONANTS IN FINAL POSITION OF THE WORD

When there are two consonants:

- a) Clusters of stop + /s/: wa-na-ka /wanaks/ Fάναξ 'king'
- b) Other clusters: *si-a<sub>2</sub>-ro* /sihalons/ σιhάλονς Ac. plu.
   'fattened pig'

RULES FOR THE "DUMMY VOWEL":

- a) Generally, the dummy vowel is like the following one: kana-ko /knākos/ κνάκος (a plant); ti-ri-po-de /tripode/ τρίποδε; ku-ru-so /k<sup>h</sup>rūsos/ χρῦσός 'gold'
   Some exceptions: wa-na-ke-te/wa-na-ka-te /wanaktei/ Γάνακτει Dat. 'lord'
- b) In final position, the dummy vowel is like the preceding one: *wa-na-ka* /wanaks/ Fάναξ
- c) For clusters with /w/ in second position there are three posibilities: *ke-se-ni-wi-jo*, *ke-se-nu-wi-ja*, *ke-se-ne-wi-ja*

A GENERAL RULE FOR MYCENAEAN SPELLING?

- a) Syllable structure: consonants in the onset are written, while consonants in the coda are not.
   Exceptions: onsets at the end of the word, *do-so-mo* /dosmos/δοσμός, *re-u-ko-to-ro* /leuktron/ Λεῦκτρον ...
- b) Sonority hierarchy:

stops < fricatives < nasals < liquids < glides < vowels Consonants placed in the expected order are written, others are not.

Exceptions: ko-wa /korwā/ κόρFā

#### Logograms (I)

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## **Phonetics**

#### The evolution of PIE voiced aspirates

- PIE voiced aspirates evolved into voiceless aspirates in Greek, and this must be the case already in Mycenean:
- We have two series of signs for the dental: *d* and *t*-
- The *t*-signs (and not *d*-) are employed for the words where we expect an IE voiced aspirate and Greek has a voiceless aspirate:
  - tu-ka-te /t<sup>h</sup>ugatēr/ θυγατήρ 'daughter' (and not \*\*duga-te)
  - te-ke /t<sup>h</sup>ēke / θη̃κε 3sg. Aor. of τίθημι 'put'
- If this was the case with the dentals, we infer that the same evolution had occurred with velars and labials:
  - pa-si /b<sup>h</sup>asi/ φασί 3 sg. pres. of φημί 'say'
  - ku-ru-so /k<sup>h</sup>rūsos/ χρῦσός 'gold'

#### The evolution of PIE labiovelars (I)

The evolution of PIE labiovelars in Greek:

1. In contact with /u/ they merged with plain velars:

- \* $g^wouk^wolos > βουκόλος$  'cow herd'
- 2. "Palatalization" (merge with dentals) [except in Aeolic]:
  - \*penk<sup>w</sup>e > πέντε (Aeol. πέμπε)
  - \* $k^{w}$ is >  $\tau$ íς
- 3. Merge with labials of the remaining labiovelars:
  - \*k<sup>w</sup>oteros > πότερος

The differences between dialects in 2. and 3. showed that these evolutions could not be very early.

#### The evolution of PIE labiovelars (II)

- A special series of *q*-signs in Mycenaean. They are systematically employed for the outcomes of PIE labiovelars:
  - *qe-to-ro-po-pi* /k<sup>w</sup>etropopp<sup>h</sup>i/ 'with 4 legs'

Some 'unknown' labiovelars:

• qa-si-re-u /k<sup>w</sup>asileus/ (cf.  $\beta \alpha \sigma_1 \lambda \epsilon \dot{\nu} \varsigma$ )

Labiovelars are preserved even in clusters with other consonants:

- *qi-si-pe-e* /k<sup>w</sup>sip<sup>h</sup>ehe/ κ<sup>w</sup>σίφεhε du. 'sword' (cf. ξίφος)
- *qi-ri-ja-to* /k<sup>w</sup>riato/ 3 sg. aor. 'buy' (cf. Hom. πρίατο)
- e-qi-ti-wo-e /ekhwthiwohes/ έχ<br/>wθıFohες , cf. φθίω 'wane'

#### The evolution of PIE labiovelars (III)

However, labiovelars had merged with velars in contact with /u/ before the earliest attestations of Mycenaean:

- ku-na-ja /gunaiā/ γυναία (cf. \*g°nā > γυνή 'woman')
- *a-pi-qo-ro /*amphikwolos/ 'servant' (cf. Hom. ἀμφίπολος); *qo-u-ko-ro /*k<sup>w</sup>oukolos/ 'cow herd' (cf. βουκόλος)

Some exceptions (due to analogy?):

- qo-u-qo-ta /k<sup>w</sup>oug<sup>w</sup>otās/ 'cow herd' (cf. βουβότης); su-qo-ta /sug<sup>w</sup>otās/ 'pig herd'(cf. συβότης). Cf. βόσκω 'feed'
- e-u-ru-qo-ta /eurug<sup>hw</sup>ontās/ Εὐρυχwόντāς (cf. φόντης, θείνω 'slay')

#### The evolution of PIE labiovelars (IV)

PIE labiovelars had also merged with velars before *yod*:

- Personal name zo-wo /zōwos/ ZŵFo<br/>ç < \*gwyō- , cf. Lat. uīuus

#### The evolution of PIE labiovelars (V)

The *q*-series is also employed for the sequence /kkw/:

• *i-qo* /ikk<sup>w</sup>os/ 'horse', cf. ἵππος, Skt. aśva, Lat. equus

But not for later /kw/ groups:

*te-tu-ko-wo-a* /t<sup>h</sup>et<sup>h</sup>uk<sup>h</sup>woha/ θεθυχFóhα (perf. Part. of τεύχω 'produce')

## The evolution of PIE labiovelars (VI)

Had the evolution of labiovelars started in Mycenaean?

Some dissimilations:

- *pe-re-qo-no* /pēlek<sup>hw</sup>onos/ (cf. τῆλε 'far' and φόνος 'death')
- *pe-re-qo-ta-o* /pēlek<sup>hw</sup>ontās/, but also written *qe-re-qo-ta*

This also applies to:

- *i-po-po-qo-i* /ippop<sup>h</sup>org<sup>w</sup>oihi/ ἰκκοφοργ<sup>w</sup>oîhı (but *i-qo*)
- *i-pe-ra-ta* /ippēlatās/ (no dissimilation here)

#### Grassmann's law in Myceanaean? (I)

- Had Grassmann's operated by Myceanaean times or was it a later evolution?
- No certain answer due to the ambiguities of the Linear B script, but some hints based on the signs  $a_2$  and  $pu_2$ :
- No clear evidence from  $a_2$ , but we have the place names  $a_2$ -pa- $a_2$ -de /haphaihade/ (cf. god name 'A $\varphi\alpha(\alpha)$ ) and  $a_2$ -ka- $a_2$ -ki-ri-ja-jo showing sequences of /ha/\_/ha/.
- As for pu<sub>2</sub>, we have ]pu<sub>2</sub>-te-me-no: pe-]pu<sub>2</sub>-te-me-no /pep<sup>h</sup>utēmenon/ (part. of φυτεύω 'plant' for Chadwick), but /p<sup>h</sup>ut<sup>h</sup>menōn/ (Gen. 'vines' for Ruijgh).
- Maybe personal names  $pu_2$ -*ti*-*ja* /p<sup>h</sup>ut<sup>h</sup>iās/ and  $pu_2$ -*to* /p<sup>h</sup>ut<sup>h</sup>os/, but other interpretations are possible.
- *su-ko-pu<sub>2</sub>-te-e* in the last published tablet: σῦκοφυτηhει (AGS), σῦκοπυθεhει (cf. πυνθάνομαι) (Luján in press).

#### Grassmann's law in Myceanaean? (II)

Indirect evidence:

- Grassmann's law in Greek applies also to /h/ from /s/ as shown by \*hekhō > <br/>  $\xi\chi\omega$
- However, initial and medial /h/ were preserved in Mycenaean and they do not seem to have resulted in dissimilations:
  - *te-o-* /t<sup>h</sup>ehos/ 'god', but θεός (not \*\*τεός) in later
     Greek, cf. θέσφατος 'spoken by god'
- Initial aspiration seems to be preserved in compounds like *po-ro-e-ke* /prohek<sup>h</sup>ēs/ and *pu-ko-so e-ke-e* /puksohek<sup>h</sup>ehei/, while elision of -o of the first element would be expected before vowel if there was no *h*- in the second element.

#### Grassmann's law in Myceanaean? (III)

- The word λαβύρινθος appears in Mycenaean as Gen. daphu\_2-ri-to-jo /daphurinthojo/, with
- The compound *a-ni-o-ko* 'reinholder, charioteer' /ān<sup>h</sup>ihok<sup>h</sup>os/ (and not \**a-ni-jo-ko*, as would be expected if there was no aspiration)

#### Preservation of the cluster /dl/

/dl/ > /gl/ in Greek, as in \*dluk- > γλυκύς 'sweet' (cf. Lat. *dulcis*)

But the cluster /dl/ was still preserved in Mycenaean:

- *de-re-u-ko* /dleukos/, cf. γλεῦκος 'sweet new wine'
- *da-ra-ko* /dlākhōn/, cf. γλήχων, βλήχων 'pennyroyal (mintha)'

## Sibilants in Mycenaean (I)

There are two series of sibilants in the Lineal B script:

- *s*-series
- *z*-series

The *s*-series is employed for etymological /s/ (both from PIE and the substrate) when it has not become an aspirate, as in:

- *su-qo-ta* /sug<sup>w</sup>otās/ 'swineherd',
- sa-sa-ma /sāsamā/ 'sesame' (cf. σήσαμον).

## Sibilants in Mycenaean (II)

1. /s/ > /h/ in initial position before a vowel:

- *e-mi-jo-no-i* /hēmionoihi/ 'mules' (cf. ἡμι- 'half')
- *e-qe-ta* /hekwetās/ 'count, earl' (cf. ἑπέτης 'follower, attendant')
- $a_2$ -te-ro /hateros/ (cf. ἕτερος 'another').

# Sibilants in Mycenaean (III)

- 2. /s/ > /h/ in medial position between vowels as proved by instances such as:
  - we- $a_2$ -no /wehānos/ (cf. Hom. ἑavός 'fine robe')

If so, then:

- Dat. *we-te-i* /wetehi/ (cf. ἔτος 'year')
- Gen. pa-we-o /pharwehos/ (cf. Hom.  $\phi \hat{\alpha} \rho o \varsigma$  'a large piece of cloth'

# Sibilants in Mycenaean (IV)

However, middle /s/ has been analogically restored/preserved in certain cases:

- Dat. plu. ka-ke-u-si /k<sup>h</sup>alkeusi/ 'coppersmith' (cf. χαλκεύς)
- Dat. plu. *ti-ri-si* /trisi/ 'three' (cf. τρεῖς)
- Aor. *e-re-u-te-ro-se* /eleut<sup>h</sup>erōse/ (cf. ἐλευθερόω 'free')
- Fut. -do-so-si /dosonsi/ (cf. δίδωμι 'give')

But not restored in:

- Dat. plu. -*o-i* /oihi/, cf. -0101
- Dat. plu. -a-i  $/\bar{a}hi/$ , cf. - $\bar{\alpha}\sigma\iota$
- Pronoun *pe-i* /sp<sup>h</sup>ehi(n)/, cf. Arc. σφέσιν

## Sibilants in Mycenaean (V)

The *s*- series was employed for:

1. Old /s/ preserved in Mycenaean.

- 2. Restored or preserved /s/
- 3. Outcome of /ti/,/t<sup>h</sup>i/ and /ty/, /t<sup>h</sup>y/:
  - *a-pu-do-si* /apudosis/ 'delivery', with \*-*ti-* > -*si*-
  - pa-si /phāsi/ 3 sg. 'say'
  - *di-do-si* /didonsi/ 3 pl. 'give'
  - *e-ni-a-u-si-jo* /eniausios/ personal name in \*-yo-, cf.
     ἐνιαυτός 'same year' (but some exceptions: *me-ri-ti-jo* /melitios/ from μελι(τ) 'honey')
- 4. Other clusters: /ss/ Dat. pl. *ze-u-ke-si* /zeuge(s)si/ 'yoke'; /ts/ Aor. *da-sa-to* /da(s)sato/, cf. δατέομαι 'distribute'; maybe /ky/ if *wa-na-so-i* is /wana(s)soihi/ (from \*Fαναξ)

# Sibilants in Mycenaean (VI)

The *z*- series was employed for:

- Initial yod: Dat. pl. ze-u-ke-si /zeuge(s)si/ 'yoke' (vs. o-/hōs/, with loss of \*y-)
- Velar + yod (\*ky, \*gy): me-zo-e /mezohes/ 'bigger' < \*megyoses (comparat. of μέγας); ka-zo-e /kazohes/ 'worse' < \*kakyoses (comparat. of κακός)</li>
- Voiced dental + yod (\*dy): to-pe-za /torpeza/ 'table' < \*(k<sup>w</sup>)twr-pedya 'of 4 legs'
- Cluster /sk/: *a-ze-ti-ri-ja/a-ke-ti-ri-ja /*asketriai/ (cf. ἀσκέω 'work, form by art'

#### Wau in Mycenaean

a) En inicial antevocálica: *wa-na-ka*  $F \dot{\alpha} \nu \alpha \xi$  'soberano', *we-a<sub>2</sub>-no-i*  $F \epsilon h \alpha \nu \hat{\alpha} h$  'vestidos' (dat. plu.), *-wi-de*  $F \dot{\alpha} \delta \epsilon(\tau)$  'vio', *wo-ka*  $F \circ \rho \gamma \bar{\alpha}$  'tarea'. Naturalmente, no tenemos casos de *wu* (cf. II § 2.2.3.).

b) En interior intervocálica *e-ra-wo* ἕλαιFov 'aceite', *ka-ra-wi-po-ro* κλāFιφόρος 'clavera'.

c) En grupos: ma-ra-tu-wo µápaθFov 'hinojo', te-mi-dwe-ta τερµίδFεντα 'provistos de zapatas', ke-se-ni-wi-jo[ / ke-se-nu-wi-ja ξένFιον / ξένFια (para las variantes gráficas cf. II § 2.3.15.) derivado en -yos sobre ξένFo<sub>S</sub> de significado discutido, ko-wa κόρFā 'hija', di-wi-jo / di-u-jo ΔίFιo<sub>S</sub> 'de Zeus'. Nominal morphology

## Thematic declension (I)

	Sg.	Plu.	Dual
Nom.	<b>-o</b> (-os)	-o (-oı)	
Voc.			<b>-ο</b> (-ω)
Acc.	-o (-ov)	-0 (-0VS)	
NomVocAcc.			
Neuter	-o (-ov)	-a (-α)	<b>-ο</b> (-ω)
Gen.	-o-jo (-olo)	-o (-ων)	
	<b>-ο</b> (-ος/-ω?)		
Dat.	-o (-ωι)	-o (-ols)	
		-o-i (-otht, -ots?)	
Instr.		-о-рі (-о-фі)	
Loc.	-е (-єι) / -е-і (-єι)		
	-o (-οι/-ωι?)		

#### Thematic declension (II)

• gen. sg. ku-ru-so-jo χρυσοῖο, dat. sg. ku-ru-so χρυσῶι 'oro'

• gen. sg. *te-o-jo*  $\theta \in h \circ i \circ$  (cf.  $\theta \in \delta \circ$ ), dat. sg. *te-o*  $\theta \in h \circ i$ , dat. plu. *te-o-i*  $\theta \in h \circ i h i / \theta \in h \circ i \circ$  'dios'

nom. sg. ko-wo κόρFος (cf. át. κόρος, jón. κοῦρος), dat. sg. ko-wo κόρFωι, nom. plu. ko-wo κόρFοι, nom. du. ko-wo κόρFω 'hijo, niño'

nom. sg. ka-ko χαλκός, ac. sg. ka-ko χαλκόν, dat. sg. ka-ko χαλκώι
 'bronce'.

## Thematic declension (III)

#### Genitives in -o

KN Fp(1) 1 + 31

- .1 de-u-ki-jo-jo 'me-no'
- .2 di-ka-ta-jo / di-we OLE s 1
- .3 da-da-re-jo-de OLE s 2
- .4 pa-de ole s 1
- .5 pa-si-te-o-i OLE 1
- .6 qe-ra-si-ja OLE s 1[
- .7 a-mi-ni-so, / pa-si-te-o-i s 1[
- .8 e-ri-nu, OLE V 3
- .9 \*47-da-de OLE v 1
- .10 a-ne-mo, / i-je-re-ja v 4
- .11 vacat
- .12 to-so ole 3 s 2 v 2

#### KN Fp(1) 13

- .1 ra-pa-to 'me-no', \*47-ku-to-de OLE v 1 pi-pi-tu-na v 1
- .2 au-ri-mo-de ole v 4 pa-si-te-o-i s 1 qe-ra-si-ja s 1
- .3 a-ne-mo-i-je-re-ja ole 1 u-ta-no, 'a-ne-mo-i-je-re-ja' s 1 y 3

## Thematic declension (IV)

Loc. Sg.:

- e-pi-ko-e (cf. Nom. or Dat. e-pi-ko-o)
- di-da-ka-re (cf. διδάσακαλος 'teacher')

Cf. oı̈́kei (oı̈́koç)

# Nouns in *-a* (I)

	Sg.	Plu.	Dual
Nom. fem.	-a (-ā, -ā)	-a (-αι)	-o (-w)
Nom. masc.	-a (- <i>α</i> <sub>S</sub> )		-a-e $(-\alpha h\epsilon)$
Voc.			
Acc.	-a (-αν, -αν)	-a (-ανς)	-o (-w)
Gen. fem.	-a (- <i>α</i> <sub>S</sub> )	-a-o (-āhων)	
Gen. masc.	-a-o (-āo)		-o-i (-ois (?),
Dat.	-a (-αι)	-a (-αις)	-οι(ι)ν (?))
		-a-i (-αιhι, -αις?)	
Instr.		-a-pi (-āφι)	

## Nouns in -a (II)

#### Femenines in -ā:

nom. sg. ko-to-na κτοίνā 'parcela de tierra', ac. sg. ko-to-na κτοίνāν, gen. sg. ko-to-na κτοίνāς, dat. sg. ko-to-na κτοίνāι, nom. plu. ko-to-na κτοίναι, ac. plu. ko-to-na κτοίνανς, gen. plu. ko-to-na-o κτοινάhων, nom.-ac. du. ko-to-no κτοίνω

nom. sg. do-e-ra δohéλā 'esclava' (cf. δούλη), nom. plu. do-e-ra δóheλαι

nom. plu. *a-ra-ka-te-ja* αλακάτειαι 'hilanderas' (cf. ήλακάτη 'huso'),
 gen. plu. *a-ra-ka-te-ja-o* αλακατειάhων

## Nouns in -a (III)

#### Femenines in *-ya*:

nom. sg. *i-je-re-ja* ίέρεια 'sacerdotisa', gen. sg. *i-je-re-ja* ίερείāς, dat.
 sg. *i-je-re-ja* ίερείāι

• gen. sg. po-ti-ni-ja ποτνίας 'señora', dat. sg. po-ti-ni-ja ποτνίαι

nom. sg. to-pe-za τόρπεζα 'mesa' (cf. τράπεζα), nom. du. to-pe-zo τορπέζω.

## Nouns in -a (IV)

#### Masculines

Hay abundantes nombres de agente en  $-\tau \bar{a}_S$  (át.  $-\tau \eta_S$ ), p. ej.: nom. sg. *te-re-ta* τελεστ $\bar{a}_S$  (n. de un funcionario, cf. τέλο<sub>S</sub>), gen. sg. *te-re-ta-ο* τελεστ $\hat{a}_0$ , nom. plu. *te-re-ta* τελεστaί; nom. sg. *e-re-ta* ἐρέτ $\bar{a}_S$  'remero', nom. plu. *e-re-ta* ἐρέτaί, gen. plu. *e-re-ta-ο* ἐρετahων; gen. sg. *su-qo-ta-ο* συγ<sup>w</sup>ώτ $\bar{a}_0$  ο συγ<sup>w</sup>ότ $\bar{a}_0$  'porquero' (cf. συβώτη<sub>S</sub>, συβότη<sub>S</sub>), dat. sg. *su-qo-ta* συγ<sup>w</sup>ώτ $\bar{a}_1$ ; nom. du. *ru-ra-ta-e* λυραστ $\hat{a}$ hε 'tañedor de lira' (cf. λυριστή<sub>S</sub>).

### Athematic declension (I)

	Sg.	Plu.	Dual
Nom.	-Ø (-⊽C, -Տ)	-e (-€S)	
Voc.			-e (-∈)
Ac.	-Ø (-v)	-Ø (-vs)	
	-a (-α)	-a (-ας)	
NomVoc	-Ø (-Ø)	-a (-α)	
Ac. Neutr.			
Gen.	-0 (-05)	-ο (-ων)	
Dat.	-e, -e-i (-ει)	-si (-σι)	
	-i (-ı)		
Instr.	-е (-η) (?)	-pi (-φι)	

## Athematic declension (II)

### Stems ending in occlusive:

- κόρυς 'casco':
  - Nom. sg. ko-ru κόρυς
  - Gen. sg. ko-ru-to κόρυθος
  - Instr. plu. ko-ru-pi- κόρυπφι,
- Antr. nom. sg. a<sub>3</sub>-ti-jo-qo Aἰθίοκ<sup>w</sup><sub>S</sub> ο Aἰθίωκ<sup>w</sup><sub>S</sub> (cf. Aἰθίοψ), dat. sg. a<sub>3</sub>-ti-jo-qe Aἰθιό/ώκ<sup>w</sup>ει.
- ἄρμο 'rueda' (cf. ἄρμα 'carro')
  - Nom. sg. *a-mo* ἄρμο
  - Nom. plu. *a-mo-ta* ἄρμοτα
  - Dat. plu. *a-mo-si* ἄρμο(σ)σι
  - Nom. du. *a-mo-te* ἄρμοτε

### Athematic declension (III) Nasal stems:

- el numeral \*έμ- 'uno': dat. sg. *e-me* έμεί.
- \*σειρεμ- 'sirena', que aparece en el compuesto se-re-mo-ka-ra-a-pi
   σειρεμο-κράhαπφι 'con cabezas de sirena'.
  - Nom. sg. *ki-to* χιτών.
  - Nom. plu. ki-to-ne χιτώνες
  - Instr. plu. ki-to-pi χιτώμφι,
  - ποιμήν 'pastor':
    - Nom. sg. *po-me* ποιμήν.
    - Gen. sg. po-me-no ποιμένος.
    - Dat. sg. po-me-ni ποιμένι / po-me-ne ποιμένει.
    - Nom. du. po-me-ne ποιμένε.

### Athematic declension (IV) Stems in *r*-:

- θυγάτηρ 'hija':
  - Nom. sg. tu-ka-te- θυγάτηρ.
  - Dat. sg. *tu-ka-te-re* θυγατ( $\epsilon$ )ρ $\epsilon$ ι.
  - Dat. plu. tu-ka-ta-si θυγατάρσι

- Nom. sg. ra-pte ἡαπτήρ.
- Dat. sg. ra-pte-re ἡαπτήρει.
- Nom. plu. *ra-pte-re* φαπτήρες (en algún caso puede tratarse de un nom. du. φαπτήρε).
- Dat. plu. [ra-?]-pte-si ἡαπτῆρσι.

### Athematic declension (V) Stems in s-:

- -Nom. sg. *pa-wo* φάρ*F*ος.
- -Gen. sg. *pa-we-o*  $\phi \alpha \rho F \in hos$ .
- -Nom. plu. *pa-we-a* / *pa-we-a*  $_2 \phi \alpha \rho F \in h\alpha$ .
- -Dat. plu. *pa-we-si*  $\phi$ άρ*F* $\epsilon$ (σ)σι.
- -Instr. plu. pa-we-pi φάρFεσφι.
- Sg. nom.-ac. *di-pa* διπας "tinajilla" (cf. hom. δέπας "copa"); Pl. nom. *di-pa*; Pl. du. *di-pa-e* διπαhε.
- Sg. nom.-ac. ka-ma καμας "tierra de labor" (cf. κάμνω "trabajar"); Du. nom.-ac. ka-ma-e (si no es un error por ka-ma<-o>).
- Sg. nom.-ac. *ke-ra* γερας "don de honor, recompensa".

### Athematic declension (VI) Stems in *eu*-:

- χαλκεύς 'broncista':
  - Nom. sg. *ka-ke-u* χαλκεύς
  - Dat. sg. ka-ke-we χαλκήFει / ka-ke-wi (dud.) χαλκήFι
  - Nom. plu. ka-ke-we χαλκήFες
  - Dat. plu. ka-ke-u-si χαλκεῦσι
- κναφεύς 'batanero':
  - Nom. sg. *ka-na-pe-u* κναφεύς
  - Gen. sg. ka-na-pe-wo κναφηFos
  - − Dat. sg. ka-na-pe-we κναφήFει
  - Nom. plu. ka-na-pe-we к $\nu$ аф $\eta$ Fes
  - Dat. plu. ka-na-pe-u-si κναφεῦσι

Verbal morphology

## The Mycenaean verb (I)

		Active voice	Middle-passive voice
	INDICATIVE	Thematic	Thematic
	PRESENT	e-ke ἕχ€ι	e-u-ke-to εὔχετοι
		e-ko-si ἕχονσι	<i>e-ke-jo-to</i> ἐγκείοντοι?
		Athematic	Athematic
		pa-si φāσι	di-do-to δίδοτοι
		<i>e-e-si</i> ĕhενσι	- <i>u-ru-to</i> Γρῦντοι
		<i>e-to</i> ё́отои (?)	
PRESENT	IMPERATIVE	<i>e-e-to</i> ἐhέντω(ν)	
	PARTICIPLE	Thematic	Thematic
		e-ko ἕχων, e-ko-te ἕχοντες	re-qo-me-no λεικ <sup>ω</sup> όμενοι
		<u>Athematic</u> e-o ἐhών, e-o-te ἐhόντες	<u>Athematic</u> ki-ti-me-na κτιμένα

## The Mycenaean verb (II)

INFINITIVE	<u>Thematic</u> e-ke-e ἕχεhεν <u>Athematic</u> a-ri-e ἁλίhεν (?)	
INDICATIVE IMPERFECT	- <i>a-pe</i> ἀπῆς (?)	

### The Mycenaean verb (III) Athematic presents: active voice

- 3.ª sg.: *a-pe-i-si* ἄπεισι 'va' (cf. εἶμι), *te-re-ja* quizás τελείā ο τελείāι (de \*τελειāμι, pero la forma es muy discutida y se han propuesto muy diversas interpretaciones);
- 3.<sup>a</sup> plu.: *di-do-si* δίδονσι 'dan' (cf. δίδωμι), *e-e-si* čh∈νσι / *e-ne-e-si* čvéh∈νσι / ]*a-pe-e-si*[ ἀπéh∈νσι (todas ellas formas del verbo 'ser', ya se trate del verbo simple o con preverbio, cf. ϵἰμί), *-i-je-si* ἵϵνσι 'envían' (cf. ἵημι), *ki-ti-je-si* κτίϵνσι (de \*κτϵῖμι 'poner en cultivo', cf. κτίζω);
- 3.ª du.: *e-to* ё́отоv (?).
- nom. sg. masc. *e-o* ἐhών (cf. εἰμί 'ser' y part. jón. ἐών), nom. plu. masc. *e-o-te* ἐhόντες, dud. nom. plu. neutr. *o-ta-* ὄντα; nom. sg. masc. *a-pe-o* ἀπεhών (cf. ἄπειμι 'estar ausente'), nom. plu. masc. *a-pe-o-te* ἀπεhόντες, nom. plu. fem. *a-pe-a-sa* ἀπέhα(σ)σαι (de \**ap-es-nt-yai*); ]*e-ne-o* ἐνεhών (?)
- nom. plu. masc. *i-jo-te* ἰόντες (cf. εἶμι 'ir'), al que se puede añadir antr. nom. sg. *a-pi-jo* 'Aμφίων, gen. *a-pi-jo-to* / *a-pi-o-to* 'Aμφίοντος.
- *da-nu-wo* δαινύων (?) 'repartidor' (part. de δαίνυμι utilizado como nombre de función).

# The Mycenaean verb (IV)

### Athematic presents: middle voice

- 3.<sup>a</sup> sg.: -di-do-to δίδοτοι 'se da' (cf. δίδωμι), -i-je-to ίετοι 'se envía' (cf. ἵημι)
- 3.<sup>a</sup> plu.: -u-ru-to Fρῦντοι 'protegen' (de \*Fρῦμαι, cf. hom. ῥῦσθαι y las formas temáticas ῥύομαι, ἐρύομαι).
- nom. sg. fem. ki-ti-me-na κτιμένā 'cultivada' (cf. ki-ti-je-si),

# The Mycenaean verb (V)

FUTURE	INDICATIVE	do-se δώσει -do-so-si δώσονσι	<i>e-so-to</i> ἕ(σ)σοντοι
	PARTICIPLE	de-me-o-te δεμέhοντες	ze-so-me-no ζε(σ)σομένωι

# The Mycenaean verb (VI)

#### Future tense

- 3.<sup>a</sup> sg. act. *do-se* δώσει 'dará', *a-ke-re-se* ἀγρήσει 'cogerá (?)' (cf. eol. ἀγρέω; aunque es menos probable, también se ha interpretado como aor. ἄγρησε).
- 3.<sup>a</sup> plu. act. -do-so-si δώσονσι 'darán', -a-se-so-si ἀσήσονσι 'cebarán' (cf. ἀσάω 'quedar saciado' y ἄω 'saciar').
- 3.<sup>a</sup> plu. med. *e-so-to*  $\ddot{\epsilon}(\sigma)\sigma\sigma\nu\tau\sigma\iota$  'serán'.
- act.: nom. plu. masc. da-ma-o-te[δαμάhοντες (cf. δάμνημι, δαμάζω), nom. plu. masc. de-me-o-te δεμέhοντες (cf. δέμω 'construir');
- med.-pas.: dat. sg. masc. ze-so-me-no ζε(σ)σομένωι (cf. ζέω 'hervir'), nom. plu. neutr. e-we-pe-so-me-na.

## The Mycenaean verb (VI)

	INDICATIVE	<u>Sigmatic</u> e-ra-se ἔλασε	<u>Sigmatic</u> de-ka-sa-to δέξατο
AORIST		<u>Root, thematic</u> -wi-de Fίδε -o-po-ro ὄφλον	<u>Root, thematic</u> - <i>pa-ro-ke-ne</i> [- <i>to</i> παρογένετο
		<u>Root, athematic</u> do-ke δῶκε	<u>Root, athematic</u> <i>qi-ri-ja-to</i> κ <sup>w</sup> ρίατο
	PARTICIPLE	a2-ri-sa ἀρίσανς (?) a-ke-ra2-te ἀγγέλλαντες (?)	

# The Mycenaean verb (VII)

#### Sigmatic aorists:

- 3.<sup>a</sup> sg. act.: *e-ra-se* ἕλασε (cf. ἐλαύνω 'conducir', 'llevar'), *e-re-u-te-ro-se* ἐλευθέρωσε (cf. ἐλευθερόω 'liberar'), ]*we-ke-se* F έξε (cf. chipr. y panf. F έχω 'llevar', aor. 3.<sup>a</sup> pers. sg. ἕF εξε), *su-ra-se* (interpretación dudosa, quizá σῦλāσε, cf. σῦλάω 'despojar').
- 3.<sup>a</sup> sg. med. *de-ka-sa-to*  $\delta \in \xi a = 0$  (cf.  $\delta \in \chi o \mu a$  'recibir'), *-da-sa-to*  $\delta a (\sigma) \sigma a = 0$  ( $\delta a \sigma \sigma a = 0$  es el aor. hom. de  $\delta a = \delta a = 0$  ( $\delta a \sigma \sigma a = 0$ ).

# The Mycenaean verb (VIII)

#### Root aorists:

- 3.<sup>a</sup> sg. act.: -wi-de Fίδε 'vio' (cf. át. εἶδε), ra-ke (quizá λάχε 'recibió en suerte', 'le tocó', aor. de λαγχάνω, aunque la interpretación es dudosa), a-pi-e-qe ἀμφιhέσκ<sup>w</sup>ε 'atendió, cuidó' (cf. hom. ἀμφιέπω).
- 3.<sup>a</sup> plu. act. -o-po-ro ὄφλον 'quedaron a deber' (cf. ὦφλον, aor. de ὀφλισκάνω; en micénico ὄφλον es sin duda aoristo de ὀφέλλω / ὀφείλω,
- 3.<sup>a</sup> sg. med. *-pa-ro-ke-ne*[-*to* παρογένετο 'se presentó' (cf. παρεγένετο de παραγίγνομαι).

Athematic: *qi-ri-ja-to* /kwriāto/ (cf.  $\pi \rho(\bar{\alpha}\mu\alpha)$  'buy'), *de-ko-to* /dekto/ (?) (cf.  $\delta \epsilon \chi \rho \mu \alpha$ )

# The Mycenaean verb (IX)

#### к-aorists:

- te-ke θῆκε, po-ro-te-ke πρόθηκε,
- ]do-ke δώκε / a-pe-do-ke ἀπέδωκε / a-pu-do-ke ἀπύδωκε,
- *a-pe-e-ke* ἀπéhηκε (aunque para esta forma también son posibles otras interpretaciones) / *a-pi-e-ke* (ἀμφιhῆκε 'consagró', si no es un presente ἀμφιhέχει).

## The Mycenaean verb (X)

	INDICATIVE		e-pi-de-da-to ἐπιδέδαστοι
PERFECT	PARTICIPLE	<i>te-tu-ko-wo-a</i> θ∈θυχFóha <i>a-ra-ru-ja</i> ἀραρυῖα	de-do-me-na δεδομένα

## The Mycenaean verb (XI)

#### Perfect tense:

*e-pi-de-da-to* /epidedastoi/, cf. δατέομαι 'distribute'

- act.: nom. plu. neutr. *te-tu-ko-wo-a / te-tu-ko-wo-a<sub>2</sub>* θεθυχ*F*óha (cf. τεύχω 'elaborar'); nom. plu. neutr. *a-ra-ru-wo-a* ἀραρ*F*óha, nom. sg. fem. *a-ra-ru-ja* ἀραρυῖα / *a-ra-ru-wo-ja* ἀραρ*F*óha, nom. plu. fem. *a-ra-ru-ja* ἀραρυῖα ' ensambladas' (cf. ἀραρίσκω); nom. sg. o plu. fem. ]*de-di-ku-ja* (interpretación dudosa, quizá δεδικυῖα(ι) de δείκυυμι 'mostrar', aunque el part. perf. de este verbo tiene grado pleno de la raíz en el primer milenio: δεδεικώς), nom. plu. masc. *ke-ke-tu-wo-e* (interpretación dudosa, quizá κεκηθ*F*óhες, cf. κηθεῖν βοηθεῖν Hsch., o κεκεντ*F*óhες, cf. κεντέω 'picar', 'pinchar', o κεκετ*F*óhες, de una raíz \**ket-*, cf. a.esl. *sūčetati sę* 'unirse'; la propia lectura no está exenta de dudas); nom. plu. masc. *e-re-dwo-e* (sin interpretación satisfactoria). A ellos hay que aña-dir la forma del nódulo tebano TH Wu 75 *e-qi-ti-wo-e* ἐχ<sup>w</sup>θι*F*óhες (cf. hom. ἔφθιται, perf. de φθίω / φθίνω 'consumirse', 'deteriorarse').
- med.-pas.: nom. sg. masc. ke-ka-u-me-no κεκαυμένος 'quemado' (cf. καίω / κάω), nom. plu. neutr. de-de-me-na δεδεμένα 'guarnecidas' (cf. δέω 'atar'), nom. plu. neutr. de-do-me-na δεδομένα 'entregados' (cf. δίδωμι), nom. plu. neutr. e-ra-pe-me-na ἐρραφμένα 'zurcidos' (cf. δάπτω), nom. sg. fem. me-ta-ke-ku-me-na μεταχεχυμένā prob. 'desguazada' (para volver a usarse) (cf. μεταχέω 'trasegar'), nom. sg. fem. ke-ke-me-na, gen.

## The Mycenaean verb (XII) Imperatives (?):

PY An 607.3	do-qe-ja do-e-ra e-qe-ta-i e-e-to
	Δορκ <sup>ω</sup> είαι (?) δό <b>h</b> ελαι ἑκ <sup>ω</sup> έταhι ἐhέντων
	'Para Dorqueya (?) esclavas para los "condes" haya'
KN X 766.1	zo-wa a-ze-to e[
	'Elabórense las zo-wa ['

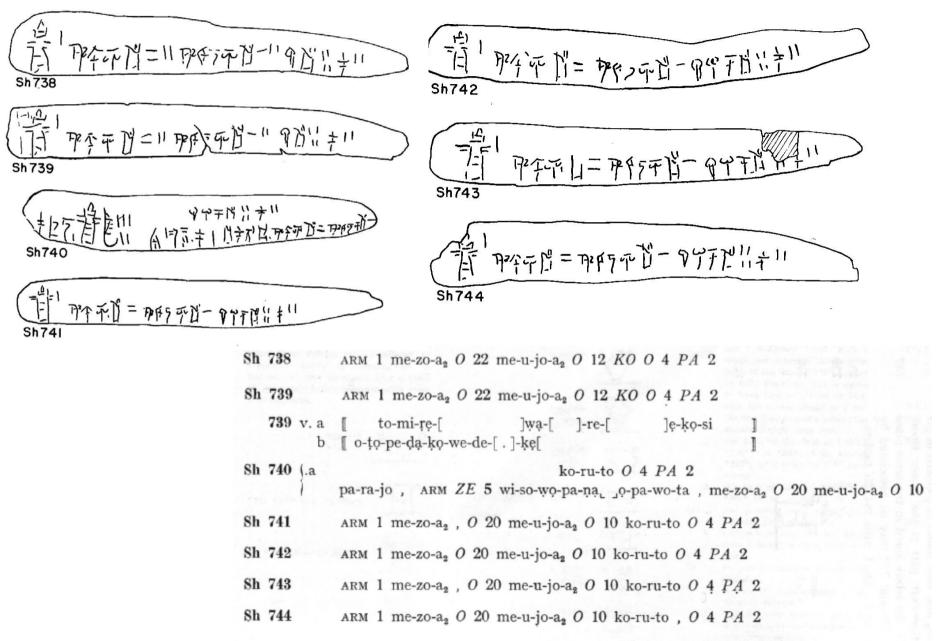
# **Tablets**



PY Ta 711

- .1 o-wi-de, pu2-ke-qi-ri, o-te, wa-na-ka, te-ke, au-ke-wa, da-mo-ko-ro
- .2 qe-ra-na, wa-na-se-wi-ja, qo-u-ka-ra, ko-ki-re-ja \*204vas 1 qe-ra-na, a-mo-te-wija, ko-ro-no-we-sa
- .3 qe-ra-na, wa-na-se-wi-ja, ku-na-ja, qo-u-ka-ra 1, to-qi-de-we-sa \*204vas 1

### **PY Sh series**



### **PY Ub series**

#### Ub 1315

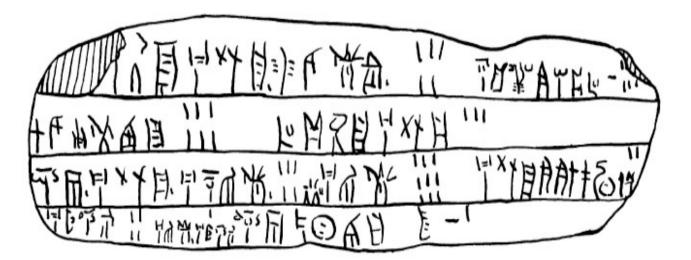
.1 ]-wo-ja a-ni-ja, te-u-ke-pi, 5 di-pte-ra<sub>3</sub> e-ru-ta-ra 1<sub>6</sub>[

.2 ro-u-si-je-wi-ja 6 ra-pte-ri-ja a-ni-ja 3

.3a

ne-wa, a-ni-ja, a-na-pu-ke, 5 dwo 2 a-pu-ke 9 a-ni-ja-e-e-ro-pa-jo-qe-ro-ṣạ .4a 1

a-pe-ne-wo 4 a-pu-ke , a-pe-ne-wo ne-wa po-qe-wi-ja ZE 11



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Fig. 1. PY Ub 1315 (da Blegen & Lang 1957, Tav. 48).

### The Sd-series from Knossos

Fig. 9. KN Sd 4401 (da CoMIK II)

KN Sd 4401:

- .a ]a-ra-ru-ja, a-ni-ja-pi, wi-ri-ni-jo, o-po-qo, ke-ra-ja-pi, o-pi-i-ja-pi CUR[
- .b i-qi-jo, / a-ja-me-no, e-re-pa-te, a-ra-ro-mo-te-me-no po-ni-ki[-jo



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#### KN C(4) 911

.1	ma-mi-di-zo / pi-ri-to-jo	ovisť 40[
.2	[ · · ]-ro , da-nu-wo	ovisf 100

- .3 po-ri-wo, / su-ki-ri-ta-jo , wo-we-u CAP<sup>m</sup> 180
- .4 ja-ru , / pa-ta-ti-jo , do-e-ro , CAPf 230
- .5 a-du-po-to , / qi-ko-we-e , do-e-ro ,  ${\tt CAPf}\,90$
- .6 qa-di-ja , / po-ku-te-ro , da-mo , 'do-e-ro' CAP<sup>f</sup> 70
- .7 da-[ · · ]po-ku-ta CAP<sup>f</sup> 130
- .8 ra-wa-ni , / po-ku-ta , ra-ri-di-jo ovis<sup>m</sup> 190
- .9 o-mi-ri-so , / ta-so , do-e-ro ovis<sup>m</sup> 50
- .10 [  $\cdot$   $\cdot$  ]-so / a-pi-me-de-o , po-ku-ta 'ra-ri-di-jo'  $_{\rm OVIS^m}$  140
- .11 ku-jo-[ / ]ta-so , // do-e-ro ovisf 100
- .12 a-\*56-da-ro / ka-ta-mi-jo, do-e-ro ovism[
- .13 a-ra-ko , / ra-ri-di-jo , do-e-ro ovism 120[

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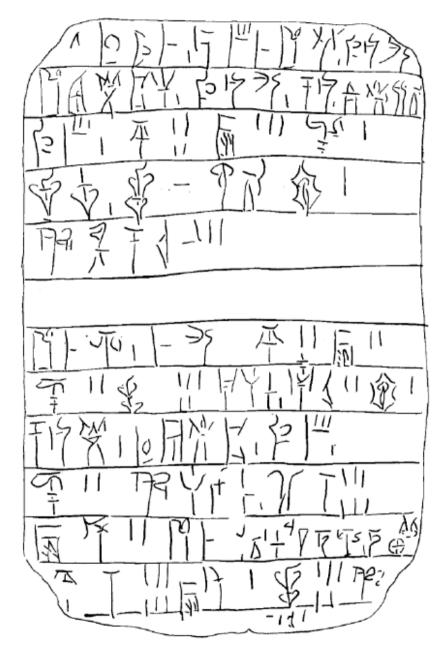
### TH Uq 434



#### TH Uq 434

.1 pa-ro, te-qa-jo-i ga-si-re-u-pi pa-ro, qe-re-ro \*152 1 .2 e-te-wa pa-ro, o-to-ke-se-we, e-te-wa \*152 1 .3 .4 \*152 1 pa-ro, ri-wa-so, e-te-wa pa-ro, e-po-ro-jo, u-po-o-pa \*152 1 .5 pa-ro, a-e-ri-qo, u-po-o-pa \*152 1 .6 .7 pa-ro, su-ko-pu<sub>2</sub>-te-e \*152 1 .8 pa-ro, ka-wi-jo, a-mu-ne-u-te \*152 1 ]-je-u-pi, ka-[ .9 pa-ro .10 pa-ro , \*22-ka-ne , wa-ka-[.]-te-we[ .11 pa-ro , a-pi-qo-ța[ ]na-ra-ro ſ .12 pa-ro , pa-[ ]ķa-pa-ti-ja[ .13 pa-]ro , [ ] wi-dwo-i-jo \*152[ .14 ]\*152[ inf. mut.

Fig. 15. TH Uq 434 (da Aravantinos – Godart – Sacconi 2008, p. 33)



### PY Un 718

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- .1 sa-ra-pe-da, po-se-da-o-ni, do-so-mo
- .2 o-wi-de-ta-i, do-so-mo, to-so, e-ke-ra2-wo
- .3 do-se, gra 4 vin 3 bosm 1
- .4 tu-ro<sub>2</sub>, TURO<sub>2</sub> 10 ko-wo, \*153 1
- .5 me-ri-to, v 3
- .6 vacat .7 o-da- $a_2$ , da-mo, gra 2 vin 2 ovism 2 TURO<sub>2</sub> 5 a-re-ro<sup>9</sup>, A-RE-PA v 2 \*153 1 .8 to-so-de, ra-wa-ke-ta, do-se, .9 ovism 2 me-re-u-ro, far t 6 .10 .11 (a -ma VIN s 2 o-da-a<sub>2</sub>, wo-ro-ki-jo-ne-jo, ka .12 GRAT 6 VIN S 1 TU-RO<sub>2</sub> 5 me-ri .13 vacat [ ]1 v 1

#### Fig. 16. PY Un 718 (da Bennett 1955, p. 83)

### Wr-nodules from Pylos



Fig. 19. PY Wr 1325 (da Blegen - Lang 1957, Tav. 49)

#### Wr 1325

#### Wr 1331

#### Wr 1332

#### Wr 1334

.α WI supra sigillum.α CAP<sup>m</sup> supra sigillum.β vacat.β vacat.γ o-pa.γ vacat