

AVESTAN_3
NOMINAL MORPHOLOGY 1

CATEGORIES

Number: singular, dual, plural

Cases: nominative, vocative, accusative, genitive, dative, ablative, locative

Gender: masculine, feminine, neuter

THE THEMATIC FLEXION

	Singular		Dual		Plural	
	masculine	neuter	masculine	neuter	masculine	neuter
Nom.	-a-s > -ō (-as ^o)	-a-m > -əm	-a (-ā ^o)	-e	-a	-a (-ā ^o)
Voc.	-a	-a	-a (-ā ^o)	-e	-a	-a (-ā ^o)
Acc.	-a-m > -əm	-a-m > -əm	-a (-ā ^o)	-e	-a / -ā	-a (-ā ^o)
Gen.	-a-he > -ahe		-aiiā		-anqm	
Dat.	-āi (-aē ^o) [OAv. -āii.ā]		-aēibiia / -ābiia		-aēibiiō / -aēibias ^o	
Instr.	-a (-ā ^o)		-aēibiia / -ābiia		-āiš	
Abl.	-aṭ (-āḍa with post.)		-aēibiia / -ābiia		-aēibiiō / -aēibias ^o	
Loc.	-e (-aiia with post.)		-aiiō		-aēšu	

	Singular		Dual		Plural	
Nom.	<i>aspō</i>	-ō < *-ah < *-as OPers. <i>martiya</i> , Ved. <i>ásvaḥ</i>	<i>aspa</i>	-a < *-ō < *-o- <i>h</i> ₁ Ved. <i>ásvā</i>	aspa , <i>aspāṅhō</i>	Ved. <i>ásvāḥ</i> Ved. <i>ásvāsaḥ</i>
Voc.	<i>aspa</i>	Ved. <i>ásva</i>	<i>aspa</i>	Ved. <i>ásvā</i>	<i>aspa</i>	
Acc.	<i>aspəm</i>	OPers. <i>martiyam</i> , Ved. <i>ásvam</i>	<i>aspa</i>	-a < *-ō < *-o- <i>h</i> ₁ Ved. <i>ásvā</i>	<i>aspq</i> (<i>aspqs^o</i>), <i>aspē</i>	Ved. <i>ásvān</i>
Gen.	OAv. <i>ahurahiiā</i> <i>ašaxiiāca</i> YAv. <i>aspahe</i>	-ahe < *-ahje < -ahiiā < *-ahja < *-asja OPers. <i>martiyahyā</i> , Ved. <i>ásvasya</i>	<i>aspaiiā</i>	Ved. <i>ásvayoh</i>	<i>aspanqm</i>	OPers. <i>martiyānām</i> , Ved. <i>ásvānām</i>
Dat.	OAv. <i>ahurāii.ā</i> <i>ahurāi</i> <i>aspāi (aspaē^o)</i>	Ved. <i>ásvāya</i> -āi < *-āi < *-ōi < *-o-ei	<i>aspaēibiia</i> /(only YAv. <i>aspābiia</i>)	Ved. <i>ásvābhyām</i>	<i>aspaēibiiō</i>	-aēibiiō < *-ai ^h ias Ved. <i>ásvebhyah</i>
Instr.	<i>aspa (aspā^o)</i>	-a < *-ē / -ō OPers. <i>kārā</i> , Ved. <i>ásvā</i> [cf. Ved. -ena]	<i>aspaēibiia</i> /(only YAv. <i>aspābiia</i>)	Ved. <i>ásvābhyām</i>	<i>aspāiš</i>	-āiš < *-ōiš Ved. <i>ásvaiḥ</i>
Abl.	<i>aspāt</i> (<i>aspāaṭ^o</i>), aspāḍa	-aṭ < *-o-ō(d) Ved. <i>ásvāt</i>	<i>aspaēibiia</i> /(only YAv.)	Ved. <i>ásvābhyām</i>	<i>aspaēibiiō</i>	-aēibiiō < *-ai ^h ias Ved. <i>ásvebhyah</i>

			aspābiia)			
Loc.	<i>aspe,</i> <i>aspaiia</i>	-e < *-ai OPers. <i>Mādaiy</i> , Ved. <i>ásve</i> OPers. <i>dastayā</i>	<i>aspaiiō</i>	Ved. <i>ásvayoḥ</i>	<i>aspaēšu,</i> <i>aspaēsua</i>	-aēšu < *-oisu Ved. <i>ásveṣu</i> OPers. <i>Mādaišuvā</i>

Notes

Abl.sg. -āta-ca , e.g. *yasnātaça*. Before *haca* , shortening of the -āt: *nmānaça.haca*. Exceptions :
ašāt.haca , : *barəθriiāt.haca*, *yaoždāθriiāt.haca*, *hukairiāt.haca*

N.pl.: collective

Acc.pl.: distribution -q, -qs-ca (after *j, m*) et -ā, -ās-ca (after *k, θ, r*) < *-a-ḡh- < *-a-ns < *-ons (cfr. Ved. -ān, -āmś-ca)

G.pl.: -anqm < *-ānaam, therefore shortening of -ānām > -anām. Exception *mašiiānqm* (because of the -ii-)

Stems in -ja : mašiiia- m. « man » et paoiriia- « first »

	Singular		Dual		Plural	
	masculin	neutre	masculin	neutre	masculin	neutre
Nom.	<i>mašiiō</i>	OAv. <i>haiθiiām</i> <i>paoirīm</i>	<i>mašiiia</i>	<i>paoiriie</i>	<i>mašiiia,</i> <i>mašiiāḡhō</i>	<i>paoiriia</i>
Voc.	<i>mašiiia</i>	<i>paoiriia</i>	<i>mašiiia</i>	<i>paoiriie</i>	<i>mašiiia</i>	<i>paoiriia</i>
Acc.	OAv. <i>aniiām</i> <i>mašīm</i>	OAv. <i>haiθiiām</i> <i>paoirīm</i>	<i>mašiiia</i>	<i>paoiriie</i>	<i>mašiiq</i> (<i>mašiiqs°</i>)	<i>paoiriia</i>
G.	<i>mašiiiehe</i>		<i>mašiiiaiā</i>		<i>mašiiānqm</i>	
Dat.	<i>mašiiāi</i>		<i>mašiiiaēibiia</i>		<i>mašiiiaēibiō</i>	
Instr.	<i>mašiiia</i>		<i>mašiiiaēibiia</i>		<i>mašiiiaiš</i>	
Abl.	<i>mašiiāt</i>		<i>mašiiiaēibiia</i>		<i>mašiiiaēibiō</i>	
Loc.	<i>mašiiie</i>		<i>mašiiiaiō</i>		<i>mašiiiaēšu</i>	

Notes :

a > e /y,ii _ C ĭ, ii, ē: OAv. *yeidi*, Av. *yesniia-*, Av. *iθiiejah-*
 əm > im / ĭ, c, j, ž _ : *yima* < *jəma- < *jama- (Ved. *yama-*)

Stems in -ua

	Singular		Dual		Plural	
	masculine	neuter	masculine	neuter	masculine	neuter
Nom.	<i>hauruuō</i>	<i>haurum</i>	<i>hauruua</i>	<i>hauruiie</i>	<i>hauruua</i>	<i>hauruua</i>
Voc.	<i>hauruua</i>	<i>hauruua</i>	<i>hauruua</i>	<i>hauruiie</i>	<i>hauruua</i>	<i>hauruua</i>
Acc.	<i>haurum</i>	<i>haurum</i>	<i>hauruua</i>	<i>hauruiie</i>	<i>hauruuū</i>	<i>hauruua</i>
G.	<i>hauruuahē</i>		<i>hauruuaiiā</i>		<i>hauruuanqm</i>	

Dat.	<i>hauruuāi</i>	<i>hauruuaēibiia</i>	<i>hauruuaēibiiō</i>
Instr.	<i>hauruua</i>	<i>hauruuaēibiia</i>	<i>hauruuāiš</i>
Abl.	<i>hauruuāṭ</i>	<i>hauruuaēibiia</i>	<i>hauruuaēibiiō</i>
Loc.	^o <i>hauruue</i>	<i>hauruuaiiō</i>	<i>hauruuaēšu</i>

Notes:

*-*uam* > *-*uəm* > -*ūm*. [on this problem you might read Avestan_3b]

Iranian mss -*um*/*ūm*, Indian mss. -*ūm*-. Distribution of the Iranian mss. :

-*ūm* after two consonants: *xštūm* (Y9.21, V4.19, 4.23, 5.29), *srūm* (V9.14 [3x], 16.6) and *dadrūm* (V9.11)

- *pourum*, *θrišum*, *caθušum*, etc.

^o*uiie*# < *^o*uaj* :

N.-acc.dual : *duiie* < **dūai*, *uiie* < **uūaj* < **ub^haj*, *sruie* < **śruHaj*

Dat. u-themes: OAv. *aṅhuiiē* (cf. YAv. *aṅ^hhe*), *zōišnuie* “atremble, shaky”, ^o*tanuie* < **tanuHaj*, ^o*buiie* < **b^huHaj*

1.p.sg. med. ^o*mruie* < **mruHaj*, *susruie* (Yt17.17) < **śu-ślu-ai* (perf.) , ^o*stuiie* < **stūaj*

but loc. ^o*hauruue* (in compounds), *θišruue* (Y11.7)

(?) V8.10 *zəməištuue* (*zəməištuua-*), *zarštuue* (*zarštuaa-*)

The case of the nouns in -*aija-*

	Iranian Sādes	Indian Sādes	Mihirābān	combined Yasna	other Pahlavi manuscripts	Yasna Sanskrit
<i>aēuua-</i> (disyllables)	<i>ōiium</i>	<i>ōim</i>	<i>ōim</i>	-----	<i>ōim</i>	-----
<i>haoiia-</i>	<i>hōiium</i>	<i>hōim</i>	<i>hōim</i>	-----	-----	-----
<i>haoiia-</i> + ^o <i>ca</i>	<i>hōiiumca</i>	<i>hōiiumca</i>	<i>hōiiumca</i>	<i>hōiiumca</i> / <i>hōiiumca</i>	<i>hōiiumca</i> / <i>hōiiumca</i>	<i>hōiiumca</i> / <i>hōiiumca</i>
<i>vidaēuua-</i> (trisyllables or +)	<i>vīdōiium</i>	<i>vīdōiium</i>	<i>vīdōiium</i>	<i>vīdōiium</i> / <i>vīdōiium</i>	<i>vīdōiium</i>	<i>vīdōiium</i> / <i>vīdōiium</i>
<i>haraēuua-</i>	<i>harōiium</i>	<i>harōiium</i>	<i>harōiium</i>	-----		

Cf. *daēuua-* acc. *daēūm*

THE ATHEMATIC FLEXION: THE NON-APOPHONIC Ā-STEMS

Endings

	singulier	duel	pluriel
Nom.	-a	-e	-ā(s°)
Voc.	-e / -a	-e	-ā(s°)
Acc.	-am < -ām	-e	-ā(s°)
G.	-aiiā(s°) - < -aḵās	-aiiā < -aḵās	-anam
Dat.	-aiiāi	-ābiia	-ābiiō (-ābiias°)
Instr.	-a / -aiia	-ābiia	-ābiš
Abl.	OAv. --aiiā(s°) -aiiāt	-ābiia	-ābiiō (-ābiias°)
Loc.	-aiia	-aiiā < -aḵās	-āhu / -āhuua < -āsu, -āsūā

	singular		dual		plural	
Nom.	daēna	< -ā Ved. priyá, OPers. hajñā	daēne	< aḵ Ved. priyé	daēnā	< -ās Ved. priyás, priyásās, OPers. stūnā, aniyā
Voc.	daēna / daēne	< -aḵ Ved. priye	daēne			
Acc.	daēnaṃ	< -ām Ved. priyāṃ, OPers. taṃmām	daēne			
Gén.	daēnaiiā	< -aḵās, Ved. priyāyās, OPers. taṃmāyā	daēnaiiā	< -aḵās, Ved. priyáyos	daēnanam	< -anām Ved. priyānām, OPers. zanānām
Dat.	daēnaiiāi	Ved. priyāyāi	daēnābiia	Ved. priyābhyām	daēnābiiō	-āb ^h ias, Ved. priyābhyas
Instr.	daēnaiia / daēna	Ved. priyayá, jihvá, OPers. framanāyā			daēnābiš	Ved. priyābhis
Abl.	OAv. daēnaiiā daēnaiiāt				daēnābiiō	-āb ^h ias, Ved. priyābhyas
Loc.	daēnaiia	Ved. priyāyām, OPers.	daēnaiiā	< -aḵās, Ved. priyáyos	daēnāhu / daēnāhuua	< -āsu, -āsūā Ved. priyāsu, OPers.

		<i>aθurāyā</i>				<i>maškāuvā</i>
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ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

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