

# Grammatical Relations

In Kambera

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Domain: Nominal NP Head

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# Nominal NP Head

- (1) Na='mài na 'sopir  
3sg.N=come ART **driver**

'The **driver** comes'

[Klamer and Klamer, 1998, p. 48]

- (2) I **Ama** na=kei=nja rí  
ART **father** 3SG.N=buy=3PL.D vegetable

'**Father** buys them vegetables'

[Klamer and Klamer, 1998, p. 63]

- (3) Nda ku=màka=a pa=kaliti **hidu**  
NEG 1SG.N=be-able=MOD CTR=ride **horse**

'I cannot ride a **horse**'

[Klamer and Klamer, 1998, p. 74]

Domain: Pronominal NP Head

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- (4) Na='mài    na    'sopir  
3sg.N=come ART driver  
'The driver comes'

[Klamer and Klamer, 1998, p. 48]

- (5) Na    ài    na=ta-mbuta    dāju amung  
ART wood 3SG.N=drop-out with root  
'That tree is uprooted'

[Klamer and Klamer, 1998, p. 63]

## Pronominal NP Head - S, A and P distinction

- (6) Na='mài     na     'sopir  
3sg.N=come ART driver

'The driver comes'

[Klamer and Klamer, 1998, p. 48]

- (7) Na=ηàndi=ha             iwa  
3SG.N=take=3PL.A flood

'A flood took them'

[Klamer and Klamer, 1998, p. 68]

- (8) Pa=meti=bia=mu=ηga,             nda   ηgàra ehi  
CAU=die=just=2SG.G=1SG.D NEG shat   content

'(You) just kill me, it doesn't matter'

[Klamer and Klamer, 1998, p. 65]

## Pronominal NP Head - Definite vs. indefinite arguments

- (9) a. Mbàda manahu=da=ka uhu  
already cook=3PL.G=PRF rice  
'They have already cooked (some) rice'
- b. Mbàda manahu=da=nya=ka na uhu  
already cook=3PL.G=3SG.D=PRF ART rice  
'They have already cooked the rice'

[Klamer and Klamer, 1998, p. 68]

- (10) a. Mbàda manahu=da=ka    uhu  
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[Klamer and Klamer, 1998, p. 68]

NOM → Predicate XP → DAT1 → ACC → DAT2 (1)

Predicate XP → GEN → DAT1 → DAT2 (2)

[Klamer and Klamer, 1998, p. 79]

## Domain: Verb Agreement

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- (11) Na='mài    na    'sopir  
3sg.N=come ART driver  
'The driver comes'

[Klamer and Klamer, 1998, p. 48]

- (12) Na=wua=nja  
3sg.N=give=3SG.D  
'He gives it'

[Klamer and Klamer, 1998, p. 81]

-  Klamer, M. A. F. and Klamer, M. (1998).  
***A grammar of Kambera, volume 18.***  
Walter de Gruyter.