# Cas grammaticaux de la Langue Divine

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Grammatical states marques with a star ( \* ) are grammatical states that do not exist **as declensions** in the Divine Language.

# 1 Chart for review for the basic cases

		interior	surface	adjacency	state
	from	Elative	Delative	Ablative	Excessive
(	at/in	Inessive	Superessive	Adessive	Essive
(	(in)to	Illative	Sublative	Allative	Translative
1	via	Perlative	Prolative		

#### 2 Location

Adessive case ADE ir- adjacent location Example: near/at/by the house, irmén Antessive case ANTE vwo- anterior location Example: before the house, vwómén Apudessive case APUD ne- location next to something Example: next to the house, némén Inessive case -ŕo- inside something Example: inside the house, mérón Intrative case ITRT -fu- between something Example: between the houses, méfún Locative case LOC la- location (general case) Example: at/on/in the house, lámén Pertingent case ma- in contact with something Example: touching the house, mámén Postessive case POSTE -uß posterior location Example: behind the house, ménúß Subessive case SUBE nwo- under something Example: under/below the house, nwómén Superessive case SUPE ßta- on the surface Example: on (top of) the house, ßtámén

### 3 Motion from

Ablative case ABL *li*- movement away from something
Example: away from the house, *límén*Delative case DEL *βa*- movement from the surface
Example: from (the top of) the house, *βámén*\*Egressive case EGRE marking the beginning of a movement or time
Example: beginning from the house
Elative case ELA -ykń out of something
Example: out of the house, *ménýkń*Initiative case INITI -akļ starting point of an action
Example: beginning from the house, *ménák*

### 4 Motion to

Allative case ALL -*li*- • \*in Hungarian and in Finnish: movement to (the adjacency of). Example: to the house

• in Estonian and in Finnish: movement onto something. Example: onto the house, mélín

Illative case ILL -ën- movement into something

Example: into the house, mênén

Lative case LAT -la movement to something (general case)

Example: to/into the house, ménlá

Sublative case SUBL -it movement onto the surface or below something

Example: on(to) the house / under the house, méníţ

Terminative case TERM -aen marking the end of a movement or time

Example: as far as the house, *ménáén* 

## 5 Motion via

Perlative case PER žu- movement through or along
Example: through/along the house, žúmén
Prolative case PROL še- movement using a surface or way (= prosecutive case, vialis case)
Example: by way of/through the house, šémén

### 6 Time

Accusative case ACC -źu indicating duration of time known as the accusative of duration of time

Example: for many years, *łaiżegźu* 

Essive case ESS -oibyd- used for specifying days and dates when something happens

Example: on the first day of the week, žóíþýdójorém

Limitative case LIMIT -amp specifying a deadline

Example: by the first day of the week, žójorémámp

Temporal case TEMP -igni specifying a time

Example: at seven o'clock, *ţuheol ţupńtwan ţéálnatigni* (GEN-hour GEN-seven precise-TEMP, at the precise hour of seven)

#### 7 Morphosyntactic alignment

Absolutive case (1) ABS -*a* patient, experiencer; subject of an intransitive verb and direct object of a transitive verb. In the divine language, the absolutive case is only used for the subject of an intransitive verb.

Example: he pushed the **door** and **it** opened, *kjara* (door)

\*Absolutive case (2) ABS patient, involuntary experiencer

Example: he pushed the **door** and **it** opened; **he** slipped

\*Absolutive case (3) ABS patient, experiencer; instrument

Example: he pushed the **door** with his **hand** and **it** opened

\*Accusative case (1) patient

Example: he pushed the door and it opened

Accusative case (2) ACC -vo direct object of a transitive verb

Example: I see her, kjervo

Agentive case AGE te- agent, specifies or asks about who or what; specific agent that is subset of a

general topic or subject. Equivalent to the -ga particle in Japanese Example: it was **she** who committed the crime; as for him, his **head** hurts, *tekjer*, *tegar* 

Ergative case ERG -jo agent; subject of a transitive verb

Example: he pushed the door and it opened

\*Ergative-genitive case EGN agent, possession

Example: he pushed the door and it opened; her dog

Instructive INSTRUCTIVE -eň means, answers question how?

Example: by the means of the houses, ménéň

Instrumental INS/INSTR -dl instrument, answers question using which thing?

Example: with the house, *ménd*]

\*Instrumental-comitative case instrument, in company of something

Example: with the house

\*Nominative case (1) agent, experiencer; subject of a transitive or intransitive verb

Example: he pushed the door and it opened

\*Nominative case (2) agent; voluntary experiencer

Example: he pushed the door and it opened; she paused

**Nominative case NOM (3)** *pa***-** In the divine language, the person linked to the word; transforms a verbal group into a nominal group

Example: horseman, panael (the man linked to horses, implied riding horses)

\*Objective case (1) OBJ direct or indirect object of verb

Example: I saw her; I gave her the book

\*Objective/Oblique (2) direct or indirect object of verb or object of preposition; a catch-all case for any situation except nominative or genitive

Example: I saw her; I gave her the book; with her

**Oblique case OBL** *-reß* all-round case; any situation except nominative or vocative. In the divine language, is used to quote the element

Example: concerning the house, ménréß

**Intransitive case INTR** *-ai* the subject of an intransitive verb or the logical complement of a transitive verb (= passive or patient case)

Example: the **door** opened, *mělai* 

Pegative case PEG ey- agent in a clause with a dative argument

Example: he gave the book to him, eykjaŗ

### 8 Relation

Ablative case le- all-round indirect case Example: concerning the house, lémén Aversive case EVIT -ńb- avoiding or fear Example: avoiding the house, mńbén \*Benefactive case BEN for, for the benefit of, intended for Example: for the house Causal case CAUS -oby because, because of Example: because of the house, ménóbý \*Causal-final case efficient or final cause Example: for a house Comitative case COM -ðei- in company of something Example: with the house, méðéín Dative case DAT -at- shows directon or recipient Example: for/to the house, mátén Distributive case DISTR xelje- distribution by piece Example: per house, xéljémén **Distributive-temporal case** -be how often something happens Example: on Sundays, ðúbémbé Genitive case GEN tu- shows relationship, possesssion Example: of the house; the house's, túmén \*Ornative case endowment with something Example: equipped with a house \*Possessed case POSS possession by something Example: the house is owned by someone Privative case ei- lacking something (in general) Example: without a houses, éímén Semplative case -rwo similarity to something Example: that tree is like a house, ménrwó Sociative case to- along with something, together with something Example: with the house, tómén

### 9 Semantics

Partitive case PTV/PART -*ili'*- used for amounts
Example: three (of the) houses, *mílí'én*\*Prepositional case PREP when certain prepositions precede the noun
\*Postpositional case POST when certain preposition follows the noun
Example: in/on/about the house
Vocative case VOC -wa used for addressing someone, with or without a preposition
Example: Hey, father! O father! Father!, pánámwá

#### 10 State

Abessive case ABE/ABESS e- the lack of something, a particular thing

Example: without the house, *émén* 

Adverbial case ADV -ei being as something

Example: as a house, *ménéí* 

Comparative case COMP -oit similarity with something

Example: similar to the house, compared to the house, ménóít

Equative case -*ńt* comparison with something

Example: like the house, ménńt

**Essive case** *-oibyd-* temporary state of being, general use (essive-formal or essive-modal undefined, or both)

Example: as the house, móíþýdén

Essive-formal case -ëd marking a condition as a quality (a kind of shape)

Example: as a house, *ménêd* 

Essive-modal case -u'ug marking a condition as a quality (a way of being)

Example: as a house, ménú'úg

\*Exessive case marking a transition from a condition

Example: from being a house (i.e., "it stops being a house")

\*Formal case marking a condition as a quality

Example: as a house

Identical case -etur showing that something is identical

Example: being identical to the house, *ménétúr* 

Orientative case ORI fo- oriented towards something

Example: turned towards the house, fómén

Revertive case -ňo- backwards to something

Example: against the house, méňón

Translative case TRANSL -in change of a condition into another

Example: (turning) into a house, ménín