

# DERIVATION in the CONSTRUCTION LABELING SYSTEM

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## *Derived valencies*

Below are labels reflecting derivational/ operational history (like Passive, Applicative, Causative, etc.). In the explanation, '<' means "applying before". The labels 'unwrap' the derivational history, starting with a symbol for the actual valence, then a symbol for the 'last' derivational process leading up to this valence, then the 'second last' derivational process, and so forth. See end of section IIc for a corresponding annotation relative to the grammatical functions involved.

**intrPs** = intransitive resulting from Passive; root transitive

**intrPsAp** = intransitive resulting from Passive following Applicative (A<P; root intransitive)

**intrPsCs** = intransitive resulting from Passive following Causativization (C<P; root intransitive)

**intrRf** = intransitive resulting from Reflexivization; root transitive

**intrRp** = intransitive resulting from Reciprocization; root transitive

**intrSt** = intransitive resulting from Stativization; root transitive

**intrOblPsCs** = intransitive oblique resulting from Passive following Causativization (C<P; root intransitive)

**trAp** = transitive resulting from Applicative; root intransitive

**trCs** = transitive resulting from Causativization; root intransitive

**trApCs** = transitive resulting from Applicative following Causativization (C<A; root intransitive)

**trPsAp** = transitive resulting from Passive following Applicative (A<P; root transitive)

**trPsCs** = transitive resulting from Passive following Causativization (C<P; root transitive)

**trPsApCs** = transitive resulting from Passive following Applicative following Causation (C<A<P; root intransitive)

**trRf** = transitive resulting from Reflexivization; root ditransitive

**trRfAp** = transitive resulting from Reflexivization following Applicative (A<Rf; root transitive)

**trRfApCs** = transitive resulting from Reflexivization following Applicative following Causation (C<A<Rf; root intransitive)

**trRp** = transitive resulting from Reciprocization; root ditransitive

**trRpAp** = transitive resulting from Reciprocization following Applicative (A<Rp; root transitive)

**trRpApCs** = transitive resulting from Reciprocization following Applicative following Causation (C<A<Rp; root intransitive)

**trOblCs** = transitive oblique resulting from Causativization; root transitive

**ditrAp** = ditransitive resulting from Applicative; root transitive

**ditrCs** = ditransitive resulting from Causativization; root transitive

**ditrPsCs** = ditransitive resulting from Passive following Causativization (C<P; root ditransitive)

**ditrPsApCs** = ditransitive resulting from Passive following Applicative following Causation (C<A<P; root transitive)

**ditrOblCs** = ditransitive oblique resulting from Causativization; root ditransitive

**ditrOblApCs** = ditransitive resulting from Applicative following Causativization (C<A; root transitive)

**tritrAp** = tritransitive resulting from Applicative; root ditransitive

**tritrCs** = tritransitive resulting from Causativization; root ditransitive

**tritrApCs** = tritransitive resulting from Applicative following Causativization (C<A; root transitive)

**tritrPsCs** = tritransitive resulting from Passive following Causativization (C<P; root ditransitive)

**tritrPsApCs** = tritransitive resulting from Passive following Applicative following Causativization (C<A<P; root ditransitive)  
**qtrApCs** = quatrotransitive resulting from Applicative following Causativization (C<A; root ditransitive)  
**dbobAp** = **ditrAp** = double-object resulting from Applicative; root transitive  
**dbobCs** = **ditrCs** = double-object resulting from Causativization; root transitive  
**dbobPsCs** = **ditrPsCs** = double-object resulting from Passive following Causativization (C<P; root ditransitive)  
**dbobPsApCs** = **ditrPsApCs** = double-object resulting from Passive following Applicative following Causation (C<A<P; root transitive)  
**dbobOblCs** = **ditrOblCs** = double-object oblique resulting from Causativization; root ditransitive  
**dbobOblApCs** = **ditrOblApCs** = double-object resulting from Applicative following Causativization (C<A; root transitive)  
**triobAp** = **tritrAp** = triple-object resulting from Applicative; root ditransitive  
**triobCs** = **tritrCs** = triple-object resulting from Causativization; root ditransitive  
**triobApCs** = **tritrApCs** = triple-object resulting from Applicative following Causativization (C<A; root transitive)  
**triobPsCs** = **tritrPsCs** = triple-object resulting from Passive following Causativization (C<P; root ditransitive)  
**triobPsApCs** = **tritrPsApCs** = triple-object resulting from Passive following Applicative following Causativization (C<A<P; root ditransitive)  
**qtrobApCs** = **qtrApCs** = quadruple-object resulting from Applicative following Causativization (C<A; root ditransitive)

### *Derivational (operational) specifications of constituents*

These specifications trace the derivational history of a GF, in a way similar to ‘chains’ in GB and Relational Grammar.

For effects of *Morphological causativization*:

obCsu = **ob** which would have been *su* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
 obCob = **ob** which would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
 obCob2 = **ob** which would have been *ob2* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
 obCiob = **ob** which would have been *iob* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
 obCobl = **ob** which would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation

ob2Csu = **ob2** which would have been *su* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
 ob2Cob = **ob2** which would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
 ob2Cob2 = **ob2** which would have been *ob2* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
 ob2Cobl = **ob2** which would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation

iobCsu = **iob** which would have been *su* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
 iobCob = **iob** which would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
 iobCiob = **iob** which would have been *iob* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
 iobCobl = **iob** which would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation

oblCsu = **obl** which would have been *su* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
 oblCob = **obl** which would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
 oblCob2 = **obl** which would have been *ob2* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
 oblCiob = **obl** which would have been *iob* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
 oblCobl = **obl** which would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation

For the promotional part of *Passive* formation:

suPob = **su** which would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation

suPob2 = **su** which would have been *ob2* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation

suPiob = **su** which would have been *iob* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation

suPobl = **su** which would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation

For the promotional part of *Stative* formation:

suSob = **su** which would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Stative* formation

For the promotional part of *Middle* formation:

suMob = **su** which would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Middle* formation

For the promotional part of *Applicative* formation:

obAobl = **ob** which would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Applicative* formation

iobAobl = **iob** which would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Applicative* formation

ob2Aobl = **ob2** which would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Applicative* formation

'Repercussion' effects:

obUob2 = *ob* 'up from' *ob2* (because old *ob* has disappeared (promoted, deleted,...))

ob2Uob3 = *ob2* 'up from' *ob3* (because old *ob2* has disappeared)

ob3Uob4 = *ob3* 'up from' *ob4* (because old *ob3* has disappeared)

ob2Dob = *ob2* 'down from' *ob* (because a new *ob* has appeared)

ob3Dob2 = *ob3* 'down from' *ob2* (because a new *ob2* has appeared)

ob4Dob3 = *ob4* 'down from' *ob3* (because a new *ob3* has appeared)

'Absorption' effects:

nilRob = *ob* is 'absorbed' through Reflexivization

nilRPob = *ob* is 'absorbed' through Reciprocization

Effects of iteration of derivation (one operation having applied to the output of another):

suPobCsu = **su** which would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *ob* would have been *su* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation

suPobCob = **su** which would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *ob* would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation

suPobCob2 = **su** which would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *ob* would have been *ob2* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation

suPobCiob = **su** which would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *ob* would have been *iob* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation

suPobCobl = **su** which would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *ob* would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation

suPob2Csu = **su** which would have been *ob2* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *ob2* would have been *su* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation

suPob2Cob = **su** which would have been *ob2* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *ob2* would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation

suPob2Cob2 = **su** which would have been *ob2* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *ob2* would have been *ob2* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation

suPob2Ciob = **su** which would have been *ob2* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *ob2* would have been *iob* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation

suPob2Cobl = **su** which would have been *ob2* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *ob2* would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation

suPiobCsu = **su** which would have been *iob* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *iob* would have been *su* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
suPiobCob = **su** which would have been *iob* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *iob* would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
suPiobCob2 = **su** which would have been *iob* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *iob* would have been *ob2* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
suPiobCiob = **su** which would have been *iob* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *iob* would have been *iob* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
suPiobCobl = **su** which would have been *iob* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *iob* would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation

suPoblCsu = **su** which would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *obl* would have been *su* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
suPoblCob = **su** which would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *obl* would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
suPoblCob2 = **su** which would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *obl* would have been *ob2* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
suPoblCiob = **su** which would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *obl* would have been *iob* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
suPoblCobl = **su** which would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *obl* would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Causative* formation  
suPobAobl = **su** which would have been *ob* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *ob* would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Applicative* formation  
suPob2Aobl = **su** which would have been *ob2* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *ob2* would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Applicative* formation  
suPiobAobl = **su** which would have been *iob* relative to *input* of *Passive* formation,  
where this *iob* would have been *obl* relative to *input* of *Applicative* formation

suRAISSuMob = subject is raised from subject, and before that promoted thereto from  
object by Middle Formation  
obRAISSuMob = object is raised from subject, and before that promoted thereto from  
object by Middle Formation