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An abstract of the Thesis.

The title of the Thesis is "Studies in the Vākyapadīya".

Bhartrhari's Vākyapadīya is a major work in Sanskrit Linguistics and its study is a long-felt need. In the thesis, some of the leading doctrines discussed in Cantos I and II of the work are discussed, and an attempt made to correlate them to some modern doctrines.

The four chapters of the Thesis are arranged such as to give a picture of the system of the philosophy of the Sanskrit grammarians. Chapter I discusses the doctrine of S'abda Brahman, the Supreme Word-principle from which the Universe of things and names is evolved. The Vedas, the Brāhmanas and the Upaniṣads contain references to Vāk as a creative principle functioning in association with Prajāpati. The doctrine of S'abda Brahman developed in later times by grammarians like Bhartrhari can be traced back to these texts.

Bhartṛhari's Conception of

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In Chapter II Speech as a human activity is discussed. Every speech-unit, such as the sentence, the word or the letter has two elements (1) the phonetic pattern (dhvani) and (2) the permanent speech-principle (sphoṭa) which conveys the meaning of the unit. It is a primary Speech-sound (prākṛtadhvani) which reveals the sphoṭa and the utterance itself shows the speaker's personal variations of sounds (vaikṛtadhvani).

In Chapter III the sentence is discussed as an integral unit on the speech-level and as divisible on the level of interpretation. The controversies on the topic of the integral nature of the sentence on the Speech-level and the relation between the sentence and the word are discussed.

Chapter IV discusses the word and the problems about it, such as the nature of word-meaning, the change in meaning, classification of meaning as primary, secondary and incidental and, proper names.

A translation of Cantos I and II of the Vākyapadīya is also included in the Thesis.

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P R E F A C E

In the following pages are presented some of the salient doctrines of the Sanskrit Grammarians as stated and discussed in Cantos I and II of the Vākya-pāṇīya of the celebrated Grammarian Bhartṛhari. In selecting and discussing topics for discussion from Bhartṛhari's text, care has been taken to see that the general outline, with the fundamental doctrines, of Sanskrit Grammar as a system of Philosophy is presented as a structural whole. Thus the order in which the chapters are arranged follows the arrangement of the Cantos of the text as chosen by Bhartṛhari in developing his thought.

A translation of Cantos I and II of the Vākya-pāṇīya is also given in Part II of the Thesis.
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 For translation the edition of the Vākya-pāṇīya by
 Messrs. Braj.B. Das & Co. at Benares (1887) is
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The value of authoritative commentaries like Punyarāja's, to a modern interpreter of such difficult texts as the Vākyapadīya cannot be over-estimated. I wish, therefore, to state here my indebtedness to Punyarāja, although I have, in some places, taken a line different from his.

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P A R T I

Some doctrines discussed

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CHAPTER ONE

The Word
as the First Principle.

The Word as the First Principle.

The historical background.

The search for an unifying principle is a common feature of most systems of Indian Philosophy. The Sāṃkhya Philosophers thus arrived at Puruṣa, the Knowing Soul which surveys the functioning of Matter (Prakṛti)¹. The Monistic Vedāntins postulated Brahman as the ultimate Reality and worked out, or rather worked off the Universe from it.² Even the Buddhists who scoffed at the orthodox ideas of positive realities had to conceive their Void as more or less to take its place.³ True, the idea was first conceived as a negation of everything and thereby as a repudiation of the current ideas of positive unifying entities; but later Buddhists did interpret this rather vague idea of early Buddhism as a more or less positive entity.⁴

Sanskrit Grammarians,^{4a} far from being satisfied with dealing with ordinary facts of language and grammar, extended the scope of their investigation to cover ultimate metaphysical principles. The postulation of the concept of a supreme Word - principle

(S'abda Brahman)⁵ as the Ultimate Reality out of which the Universe of names and things⁶ is evolved is their distinct contribution to this realm of investigation.

Historically considered, this concept has its beginnings in the Vedas, the Brāhmanas and the Upaniṣads. We find it described under various names and as possessing great powers. It is identified with mind, matter and the creator (Prajāpati) and is describedⁱⁿ by terms like Vāk and Sarasvatī. As the other self of the creator (Prajāpati), speech functioned as the source of all Universe. In the Rgveda it is conceived as 'the active power of Brahman', is identified with him and is personified as a productive principle.⁷ The four regions of the world are described as taking their being from the seas of water descending from her in streams and the Universe as getting life from the imperishable flood which flows from her.⁸ In the Yajur Veda we find Vāk considered as 'the Supreme wife of Prajāpati',⁹ and Prajāpati described as Vācaspati.¹⁰

Coming to the Brāhmanas the primeval waters are considered to have been created out of Vāk by Prajāpati.¹¹ Again, Vāk is described as Prajāpati's 'other self' in the matter of creating ~~the Universe~~ the Universe.¹²

Vāk was the 'nivid' of the twelve syllables which emanated from Prajāpati while he was performing sacrifice, and it was through Vāk that Prajāpati created all beings.¹³

Sarasvatī is mentioned in some of the later Mandālas of the Ṛgveda, in a few Brāhmaṇas and in some of the Purāṇas, and as a speech principle is identified with Vāk and conceived as the creative principle functioning with Prajāpati. She is described as carrying out the function of creating the shape of the body (possibly of Indra) by bringing together the marrow, flesh, etc., in their proper places. She also creates the internal organs and even generates the vyāna-vāyu (life-breath) which pervades the body from head to foot. She stimulates and sustains the growth of the foetus in the womb.¹⁴

In the Upaniṣads we find the identification of Vāk with prajāñā (intelligence) and also with the world of phenomena. Thus all speech is held together by Ōm just as all leaves are held together by one leaf-stalk and Ōm is the world-all.¹⁵

The brief discussion given above is intended to show that the position the Grammarian philosophers take and the line they adopt in conceiving the Word as a Universal principle and explaining it as a system derive~~s~~ their authority from the scattered references in the Veda. The principle of speech as the cosmic principle out of which the phenomena of life, mind and matter evolve, the same principle functioning through the focus of the individual as his thought and speech which form a mutually identifiable trinity with life - all these are found in their rudimentary form in the references quoted above.

To the Grammarian ^{then the} Ultimate Reality is the Word. What is Brahman to the Advaitin, or the Void to the Buddhist-Nihilist, that is the Word ¹⁵ ~~for~~ the Monistic Grammarian.

"In the beginning was the Word" can ¹⁶ ~~be~~ ^{be} as much as ^{of} ~~be~~ the idea of the Gospel as ^{the} Indian Grammarians'. Out of the beginningless and imperishable Word-Brahman has evolved the Universe of things and names. But the Reality from which ^{the} evolution of the Universe has taken place and the Universe itself are not separate. ¹⁷ Evolution is an internal process which takes place within a

fundamentally changeless entity.¹⁸ It is not like a kettle of water turning into steam; it is more like the water of an ocean changing in some places into ice, functioning in some other places as currents, but all the while the fundamental oneness of the ocean being kept intact.¹⁹

Finite changes taking place in the infinite Reality which is the Supreme Word-principle and functions²⁰ in terms of finite 'time' - that is the story of the evolution of the phenomena of things and names. That things exist for us and we have cognition of them only as associated with a name is the proof for this theory of the evolution of things from the word.²⁰ We know a pot or a jar only as associated with the form of clay, ~~and~~ that the jar or the pot is made out of the clay is also a fact. Thus the identity in ^{the} cognition of the two things leads us to the establishment of one of them as the source-material of the other. Similar is the case of the Word and the Universe. That the cognition of a thing is always associated with some form of word establishes, according to the Grammarian Philosopher, the evolution of the former from the latter. Thus there is an identity between names and things both in their pre-evolution germ-state and in the state in which they are

products of the evolution. Things having evolved from a primaeva Word-principle continue to be associated with names which are themselves verbal transformations of the same principle. Things and their names being thus mutually identifiable transformations from the same Word--principle (SabdaBrahman), it follows that

#/ each name, that is, each word, has this Word-principle as its ultimate significance.²¹ True, the word 'cow' means the species of the animal with hoofs, horns and other characteristic features. But the species themselves are manifestations of the first Word-Principle. We

have discussed this topic at length in the chapter on ^{21a} words.

The religious significance of this philosophical attitude, although not of much value to the present day linguistic thinker, is that a discussion of words (or names) (a'abdanusāsana) becomes the pathway to the liberation of the soul, such discussion leading to the understanding of the ultimate significance of words, and this understanding, in its turn, leading to the individual soul's identification with the ultimate

²² principle. Thus grammar which specialises in the study of words becomes a subject of paramount importance.

It leads the student not only to the immediate significance of words, but also to their ultimate significance and purpose.

To restate the position briefly: There is the Supreme Word-principle which may be conceived as Speech (with a capital S) and the Supreme Word-principle evolves into the Universe of names and things without itself abandoning its integral nature. This latter condition is possible only if the evolution itself is an unreal process and the evolutes are not as real as the evolving entity. Thus Bhartṛhari says that the diversity of words and meanings which grammar deals with is an illusion and that the Truth exists untrammelled by the distinctions of grammar.²³ However, grammar and the distinctions it deals with have their use, in that they lead to the Supreme Truth.²⁴

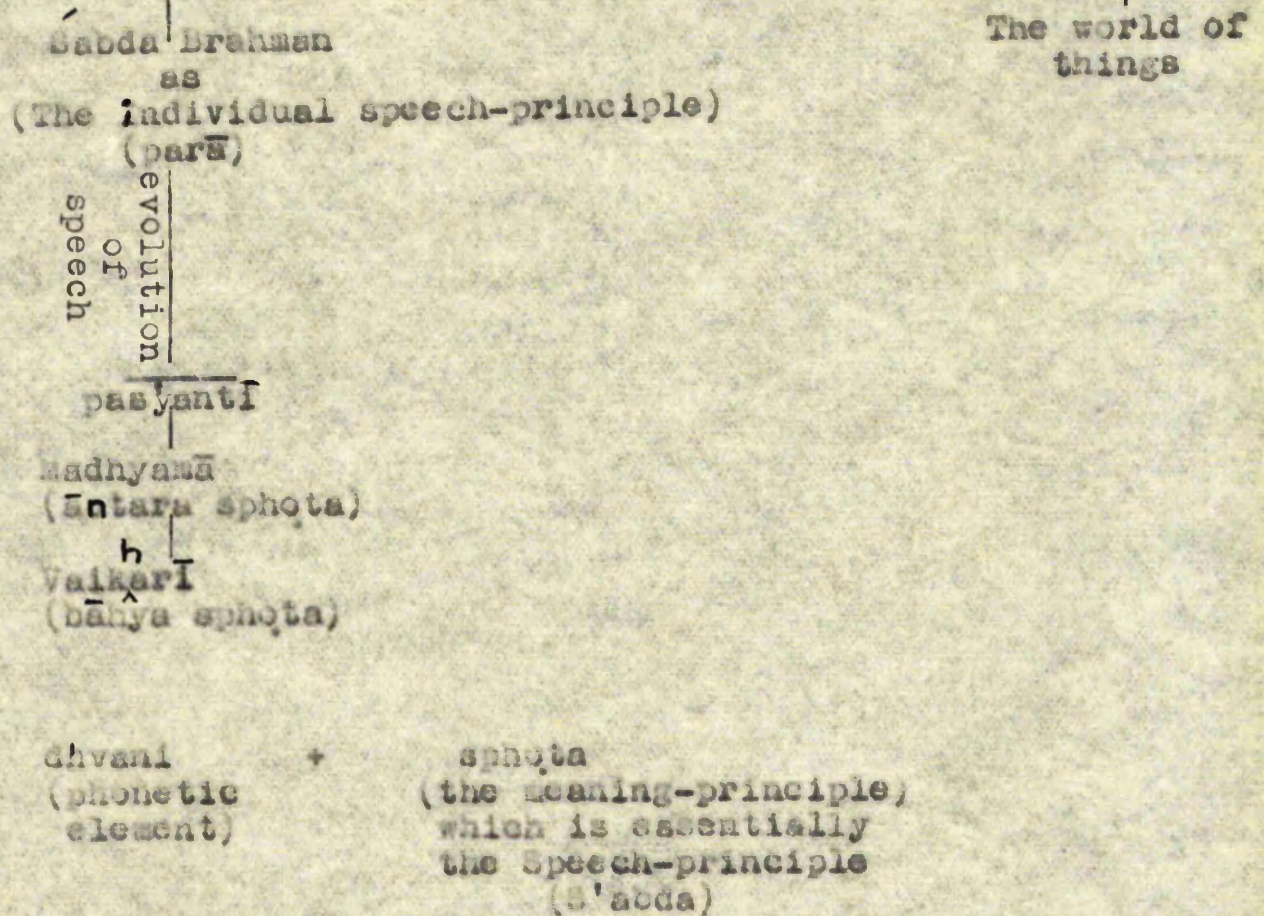
The Supreme-Word-principle evolving into names and things means that it constitutes the stuff of both word and meaning.²⁵ In other words, it resides and functions in man as his speech activity. Thus Bhartṛhari says that S'abda is the great Bull residing in the speaker and identity with it is desired.²⁶ This S'abda in the individual evolves into an utterance, and it forms the essential meaning-conveying element (sphoṭa)²⁷ in it and is revealed through the phonetic pattern (dhvani) of the utterance. Sphoṭa and dhvani are, however, discussed in greater detail in the next chapter.

The evolution of the speech-principle in man into an utterance is described as taking place in four stages.²⁸ They are named parā, pas'yantī, madhyamā and vaikharī. The speech-principle, in its subtlest and undivided form, prior to any differentiation, is termed parā, the supreme. At the next stage, and the first stage where parā vāk is differentiated, speech is called pas'yantī. At this stage also speech does not possess the form it takes in utterance. At the next stage speech is known as madhyamā and is located in the region of the heart. Vaikharī is the word as uttered and heard by oneself and others. Vaikharī consists of the speech-activity of man and is the means with which he performs his duties.

The system explained above can be diagrammatically represented in the following manner :-

Śabda Brahman

(The Cosmic Speech - Principle)



CHAPTER TWO

The Spoken Word

The Spoken Word.

Sphota and Dhvani.

In the previous chapter the word as a cosmic principle was discussed and it was also stated that this Speech-principle functioned through man as his speech. We refer to the speech-activity of man as "the Spoken Word" which is different from the word as part of his speech-activity which will be discussed in a later chapter.

Individual speech thus is a manifestation of the eternal principle which exists inside man. The same entity which expresses itself in the form of life, mind and matter also finds expression as his speech. As for the structure and the composition of speech, it is not merely made of audible sounds, although audible sounds form an essential part of audible speech. In its fully expressed form a speech-unit, by which ^{is} ~~are~~ meant a sentence, a word or a letter, consists of a phonetic ^{Pattern} ~~utterance~~ (dhvani) plus an inner principle (sphota) which is what makes the former convey a meaning. Every utterance which is intended to denote a meaning is

these
 composed of [^]two elements and of these, the phonetic
 element is used to convey a meaning (or denote an object)
 and the inner principle is instrumental in making the
 phonetic element perform its function.²⁹

Now, although these two elements in a speech-unit
 are thus viewed as distinct elements, in fact their
 attributes are different ~~and~~ fundamentally they are aspects
 of the same reality,³⁰ just as speech and meaning are not
 totally distinct elements.³¹

~~As we have stated elsewhere,~~ The analogy of a seed
 and tree will be helpful here. In the state of the tree,
 the material element, that is the trunk and leaves, etc.,
 and the life-force which prevents the material element
 from being a dead log of wood and dry leaves, can be
 conceived as distinct elements, with distinct properties.
 But in the seed stage, we can think that the undeveloped
 material element and the vital force form an inseparable
 unity. In the same way, the unuttered phonetic pattern
 and the principle which makes it an operative unit from
 the point of view of meaning, form a unity before the
 utterance of speech. At the speaker's impulse to speak
 the same speech-principle in him unfolds itself, through
 a series of stages into two forms, the meaning-conveying
 principle and the phonetic element - these two latter

combining into the total utterance.³² We have stated in an earlier chapter the four stages through which speech is evolved.³³

^{pattern}
The Phonetic Utterance and the Principle

which is instrumental in its conveying a meaning.

An utterance, thus, is a composite of the phonetic element and the principle which makes it meaningful. A string of phonetic entities becomes a meaningful utterance because it has an underlying unity in the form of a principle (sphoṭa). The very name 'sphoṭa' is indicative of its function as that which causes the revealing of meaning.³⁴ A phonetic ^{pattern}~~utterance~~ alone cannot convey a meaning as the Nyāya philosophers claim.³⁵ Nor is the particular sequence in which the parts of the phonetic ^{pattern}~~utterance~~, such as the letters in a word, are uttered sufficient to give it the potency to convey meaning as the Mīmāṃsakas claim.³⁶ How can the last letter of a word, coupled with the impressions of the preceding letters constitute the word, and provide ^{it} with the unity necessary for us to comprehend the meaning of a word, as the Mīmāṃsakas hold? How can there be a combination of letters which exist - namely the last letter which has just been uttered, and letters which have already disappeared and become impressions? The whole problem as to what is the element which conveys meaning and the

controversy around it between the Grammarians and their opponents, will be discussed in a chapter on 'the word' which follows.³⁷ Although sphoṭa as a speech-principle functions in every kind of utterance - in the word as well as in the sentence - we discuss this problem in the chapter on ^{the} 'word', in particular reference to the word and its function in conveying a meaning.

At this stage it will be sufficient to state in general that every utterance has a phonetic pattern and a meaning-conveying principle as its constituent elements.

The character of Sphoṭa and Dhvani
and the relation between them.

Of these two component elements of an utterance, the meaning-conveying principle is the primary partner. It is so much the principal element that an utterance is considered to be a revelation of this principle through the medium of the phonetic element. The speaker's desire to convey an idea or to refer to an object sets this restful-principle into motion, ^{and} passing through the stages which are referred to elsewhere in the chapter, it finally becomes embodied in audible speech-sounds and is thus revealed. By virtue of the fact that it is revealed through a pattern of speech-sounds, it is generally

considered erroneously as possessing the attributes of the latter.³⁸ But this is only as a colourless liquid being perceived as coloured depending on the colour of the bottle which holds it. Thus, the meaning-conveying principle is³⁹ intrinsically time-less in that it exists before the creation of time and exists also without change in the past, present and future, extending to eternity. (It will be remembered here that the speech-principle functioning in the individual is a part of the cosmic speech-principle from which the flux of creation including 'time' evolves). It is time-less in that the principle revealed in a word uttered yesterday is the same as the principle revealed in a word uttered to-day, or to-morrow. Basically, expressions like 'a word uttered yesterday' or 'a word which will be uttered to-morrow' are half-truths. The truth is that they are phonetic patterns (dhvanis) produced yesterday, or in another time-division, through which a permanent principle is revealed.

Thus time-factors govern not the permanent principle, but the phonetic patterns which reveal it.⁴⁰ Time is relevant^{to} not the existence of the principle but to its revelation. Thus 'tangible sound' (sthūlas'abda) a term given for audible sounds which are variously called as nāda, dhvani and s'ruti⁴¹ - is produced and is only relatively permanent whereas the subtle speech-principle (sūkṣmas'abda)⁴² is permanent. It

can postulate production which involves time as a factor in regard to speech-sounds and not in regard to the speech-principle.

Then there is the problem of sequence. Then a word like 'nada' is uttered, there is a sequence-relation between the two ^{letters} syllables 'na' and 'da'. But this sequence is a feature of the phonetic entity which possesses parts and not of the unitary principle which runs through it, which is what makes the syllables uttered in succession - sometimes with an interval of time between them - a meaningful entity. Sequence is not a feature of ^a partless unity. ⁴³

Then again it is perhaps tautological to state that phonetic features like short-ness or length of vowel ~~and the like~~ are only features of the phonetic element of the utterance. But it is a necessary tautology in so far as statements are usually made as 'this word has a long 'a' and the like - statements which do not seem to appreciate the existence in an utterance of an element which can have long vowels and the like, and another - and a very important element-which cannot have such features. The speech-principle has no long or short sounds nor any such features which are essentially phonetic. ⁴⁴

Similarly the peculiarities of speech of the individual speakers (^{tt}vṛibheda) are purely features on the phonetic level though on a different phonetic level from the distinction between short 'a' and long 'ā' for instance, as we shall discuss later on. ⁴⁵

A particular speaker may have a personal way of uttering a word, with a slight lengthening here or a slight shortening there. Such features of individual diction do not affect the immutable character of the principle which the utterance reveals. In a subsequent paragraph we shall have occasion to discuss the place of such personal features of diction in an utterance.

The Phonetic Pattern in an utterance.

Reference was already made to the phonetic pattern in an utterance. Bhartṛhari ^{considers} ~~thinks~~ that the phonetic pattern which reveals the speech principle is a primary speech sound, ⁴⁶ which is a standard sound of which are the personal variations in diction. Thus there is a sound 'a' as a norm, a long 'ā' (ā) as a norm, and so on; ^{and} just as there are, for instance, the ^{letters} ~~syllables~~ 'na' and 'da' as norms, there is also the phonetic entity 'nada' as a norm. On listening

to an utterance, for instance of the word 'nāda', with personal peculiarities of diction (vaikṛtadhvani), the listener's mind cuts through these peculiarities without observing them, and reaches the phonetic entity which is the norm. Through that phonetic entity he knows what the word is. Bhartṛhari contends that the listener's perception of the personal peculiarities of the speaker's diction, follows his knowing the word. What acts as instrumental to the listener's knowledge of the word itself is his perception of the phonetic entity which is the norm, for all personal variations.

To recapitulate, the total phonetic pattern in an utterance is a norm plus personal variations on it (prākṛta-dhvani and vaikṛta ~~prākṛta~~ dhvani).

Is the standard primary sound (prākṛtadhvani) an abstraction ?

The prākṛtadhvani, for instance the sound 'a', as having a fixed phonetic value is not an abstraction, because in its uttered form, with whatever personal modification such utterance is made, it can always be delimited. ⁴⁷ If a short 'a' is uttered by a speaker with a lengthening of it, a listener will not mistake it for a long 'a'; he will recognise the 'a' (short) and a modification of it in the utterance. The modified sound contains the boundaries of the primary sound.

Is the primary speech-sound perceived ?

As to whether the primary speech sound is perceived, and if perceived whether such perception is in association with the perception of the speech principle it manifests or apart from it, there are varying views. Bhartrihari quotes three different views.⁴⁸ According to one, the primary speech-sound is perceived, and the perception is in association with the perception of the speech-principle. The analogy of seeing a piece of glass which reflects the image of a coloured flower is cited. The piece of glass, which reflects the flower, is perceived (and not the reflection alone), and it is perceived in association with the flower.

Another view is that the speech-sound which reveals the speech-principle is itself not comprehended. In this respect it resembles the sense-faculty which, while revealing objects, remains itself unperceived. According to this view then, the primary speech-sound exists in every utterance and the word as conveying a meaning is revealed through it; but the speech-sound itself is not perceived as such by the listener.

According to a third view, sometimes the perception of a speech-sound is possible without the speech-principle being understood from it, that is, without the identity of what is uttered, namely the sentence or word or syllable

being understood. Such a thing happens when one hears something uttered at a distance, or of which one has heard the sound, but has not grasped what was said. Though the sound-pattern (which includes the primary speech-sound coupled with the personal modification by the speaker), is received by the listener, the reception is not followed by the ^{tive} ~~discriminatory~~ interpretation of the sound-pattern, as being such and such a sentence, word, or syllable. This is a result of factors like distance.

However, according to a section among those who hold this view, in these cases also, ~~the~~ ^{the} aphota or the meaning-conveying principle in the utterance shines out, but is vague due to the distance, etc. That is, the listener can vaguely guess what the utterance is, but only vaguely, due to the factors which prevent clear comprehension.

CHAPTER THREE

The Sentence

THE SENTENCE

The sentence, the most complete unit of utterance,

According to Bhartrhari, the sentence is the most complete unit of meaningful utterance⁴⁹ and, after discussing in Canto I of the Vākyapadīya, the concept of S'abda as a cosmic principle and also S'abda as a human activity with its two constituent elements of the speech-principle and the phonetic pattern, he starts Canto II with a discussion of the sentence and spends large sections of the Canto in debating with opponent schools on the question of the nature, composition and significance of the sentence; with particular reference to the problem of the sentence versus the word.

Then

In a speech-situation, ^{the} unit, both of utterance and of the conveying of meaning, is the sentence. It is an integral unit both structurally and from the point of view of meaning.⁵⁰ The sum total of the words does not constitute the sentence just as the sum-total of the word-meanings does not constitute the meaning of the sentence. To look for words in the sentence and word-meanings in the meaning of the sentence is to treat them both as patched-up wholes while, in truth, they are indivisible

integrals. An integral utterance conveying an integral meaning sums up a speech situation and this utterance is the sentence. This is true even when a single word constitutes a speech-situation.⁵¹ Thus, for example, utterances, Mary ! Stay ! Oh ! St ! Yes ! are one-word sentences.⁵² To Bhartrhari a single word in a speech-situation is a sentence, because the unit of a speech-situation is a sentence. Thus the utterance 'vrkṣaḥ' (tree) is a one-word sentence and can be expanded into 'vrkṣastisthati' (There stands a tree). It is not that the word 'isthati' has to be added to the utterance to complete it. The utterance itself is complete and it can convey the meaning of the whole sentence 'vrkṣastisthati'.

On the level of speech the single word is to the sentence what syllables and letters are to the individual word.⁵³ We may break up a word into several sounds of which it is composed, but it is the work of the phonologist, not of the speaker. So too we may break up a sentence like 'Don't do that' into the four words 'Do not do that' but this again is the conscious procedure of the grammarian.⁵⁴ These sentences written by Sayce in 1919 could as well be Bhartrhari's. For he says that the individual word is a fiction on the level of speech where the indivisible sentence is the unit.⁵⁵ But division of the sentences and through

that the demarcation and establishment of the word is possible on the level of grammar.⁵⁶ All problems dealing with the word as a unit are relevant on this level.

The relation between the word and the sentence, word-meaning and meaning of the sentence on the speech-level.

Words form the raw material out of which the finished product, the sentence takes shape;⁵⁷ but the finished product is different and more than all the component words put together.⁵⁸ In the consciousness of the listener, the words he has listened to merge, and out of it a unity, indivisible and integral emerges.⁵⁹ What takes place is similar at the end of the speaker also. It is not that the speaker puts one word after another and thus consciously builds up a sentence. His mind conceives the sentence as a unity and he utters it as such.⁶⁰ The position of the word-meanings in relation to the meaning of the sentence is the same. The sentence which is conceived and uttered as a unity conveys an idea which is a unity and it is arbitrary to say that such and such a part of the sentence conveys such and such a part of the meaning. A question might be asked here. How is one to know that smaller units have at all gone into the making of the sentence? To get an answer to this, we must look

at the sentence from the level of the analysis. Analysed there, the sentence will show the part which smaller units play in it, both structurally and from the point of view of meaning. To say that the sentence is an indivisible unity on the speech-level does not mean that there are no smaller units in it. It only means that the sentence, as a final product, exists and functions as a unit, and not as the sum-total of the smaller units. A sentence is something containing the words, but more than them all.

The nature of words and word-meanings in the indivisible sentence.

We have stated above that words are recognised in the sentence by the listener. Similarly word-meanings are recognised in the meaning of the sentence when the listener understands the meaning of the sentence. The *Spṛṣṭacandrikā* says that the indivisible sentence is manifested through indivisible words.⁶¹ What this means is, that the material through which the sentence takes shape in the mind of the listener is the string of words to which he listens, although the sentence as a finished product is a unity. These words

through which the sentence is manifested are themselves indivisible. The listener, when he listens to them, does not look upon them as being made up of parts like roots and suffix^{es}, but as complete units. When a person listens to the sentence "Rāmo gacchati" his mind does not stop to look at the word "Rāmo" as being made up of "Rāma" the base and "s" the suffix. On the other hand, in the process of ^{the} mental assimilation of the sentence, he listens to the word as a complete and indivisible unit, which in its turn merges in the oneness of the sentence.

Different Views.

On this question of the relationship between the sentence and the words that constitute it, different opinions are held by different systems of thought. Some hold that the sentence is the original of which words are apparent parts - a view we discussed in the last paragraph. Others hold that the sentence is built up from the words and these words form real and meaningful parts of the sentence. ⁶² To summarise the first position again for comparison, broadly speaking according to it, the sentence forms an indivisible unit, and it is the unit of utterance (Akhaṇḍavāda). The analysis of the sentence into words is a conscious process adopted by the

9. Grammarians on the level of grammatical investigation and instruction. Though the sentence is amenable to analysis on this level, it is a single unit on the level of speech. It is conceived and uttered as a unity and it conveys its meaning as an integral unit. The meaning itself is a unity.⁶³

The other school believes that words form the original elements of speech and the sentence is a product of words. The sentence functions as a sum of words, and we can notice the parts in the sentence, and meaning of the parts in the meaning of the sentence (Chedavāda).⁶⁴

The supporters of both views try to derive support from a Prātis'ākhyā statement. In discussing the relation between the Saṃhitā (the sentence in a larger philosophic context) and the Pāda-text of the Veda (or words), the R̥gveda Prātis'ākhyā says "Pāda prakṛtiḥ Saṃhitā".⁶⁵ Now this statement has been interpreted in two ways such as to mean that the Saṃhitā is the original of the Pādas or that the Saṃhitā is made up of the Pādas.⁶⁶

The Grammarian philosophers take the view that the Saṃhitā is the original. They thus paraphrase the statement "Pādaprakṛtiḥ Saṃhitā", as "Pādanām prakṛtiḥ Saṃhitā (the Saṃhitā is the original of the words)". The Vākyapadīya gives both interpretations of the Prātis'ākhyā statement, with the preface that the two schools of thought,

namely, the Akṣaṇḍavādins and the Kṣaṇḍavādins, adopt different views on it.⁶⁷ Commenting on the Vākya Padiya stanza, ~~Samprajñā~~^{Puṣyārāja}, which presents the views, says that the Akṣaṇḍa-school interprets the statement as "the Saṁhitā is the original of the words".

One result of adopting this view about the relationship between the sentence and the word, is to conceive the word as a derived or created entity. That Patañjali considered this to be the case is shown by his use of the word "Padakārah" in reference to the authors of the Pada-texts of the Veda. Patañjali would not have used this if the Pada-texts were the original Veda, from which ~~the Saṁhitā~~^{the Saṁhitā} was composed.⁶⁸

The Grammarian thus concludes that the Saṁhitā is the original one. That this means is that the sentence is the unit of speech and words are products of an analysis of it on a secondary level. The Grammarian advances other arguments also to prove that the sentence is an integral unit and that it conveys its meaning functioning as an integral unit. We do not, argues the Grammarian, understand the meaning of a word, at each one of the letters which constitute it.⁶⁹ In other words, the word functions as a unity. It is also wrong to say that the meaning of the word is the sum-total of the meanings

of the letters. The same fact applies to the sentence also, although it is more difficult to grasp it there.⁷⁰ The sentence conveys the meaning as a unit, and we cannot allot one part of the meaning of the sentence to one word and so on. Such division is wrong on the speech level.

The Khandavadin who is the upholder of the theory that the varṇa (letter) is the reality and that larger units like the sentence are built up from smaller units, argues here that the meaning of a word is as much related to the component letters as a group, as the meaning of a sentence is related to the component words as a group.⁷¹ Thus words are meaningful in a sentence, just as letters are meaningful in a word. The dependence of the larger unit to the lesser units is a fact throughout, and the larger unit far from being a unity is a collection. A letter, individually, may be incapable of conveying the meaning of the word; but, as an atomic particle of silver or some other substance, which is invisible by itself, becomes visible when in conjunction with another particle, so does a letter, helpless by itself, convey the meaning of the word, by association with others.⁷² But that is different from saying that the letters do not convey the meaning at all, that some sort of unitary super-entity is the one which does that function. Nor

can we say that words are meaningless as the Grammarian would insist. Do we not get a meaning when a word is uttered? What is wrong in thinking that it is the collective existence of the letters out of which the meaning of the word is understood?⁷³ Similarly there is nothing absurd in considering that the meaning one gets when a sentence is uttered, is obtained from the collective existence of the words in the sentence. In fact there is no sentence apart from the letters and words which constitute it.⁷⁴

Further, difficulties arise in textual interpretation, performance of sacrifice and the like if the idea that the meaning of the sentence is understood through the meanings of the words is not accepted.⁷⁵ Thus (1) in sacrifices there will be difficulties in substituting one material for another if the latter were not available. (2) The ignorance of the meaning of one word in an uttered sentence should not lead to the non-comprehension of its meaning. Yet it is seen to do so. (3) ~~The breaking of the order of precedence of the rules of interpretation of sentences, such as the rule that as a basis of interpretation of a sentence, a direct statement will supersede factors~~ ~~like the syntactical relation of words,~~ ^{will be broken} and (4) all study of words, their descriptions, and the methods adopted to interpret them in sentences will be meaningless.

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Let us state these difficulties in detail :-

- (1) The first one, namely the difficulty with regard

^{76a} to substituting one material for another in a sacrifice, can be explained in reference to the injunction "vr̥hibhiryajeta" (Sacrifice with rice).

Now the Mīmāṃsaka argues that, unless the sentence is interpreted in terms of the component words, such substitution will not be possible. For the purpose of making such substitution possible, the Mīmāṃsaka would explain the sentence as follows :-

In the injunction "vr̥hibhiryajeta" (Sacrifice with rice), ^{the material means} either in general or in particular, ^{of the sacrifice} is implied ^{by} the verb "yajeta". The question then arises as to the purpose of the use of the word "vr̥hibhiḥ" in the sentence. Is it to restrict the scope of the operation of the idea of means implied by the verb "yajeta" to rice? If it is restrictive like that, what that means is that the idea of a means in general is sublated by a particular means. In other words, the possibilities of a means in general ^{76b} are narrowed to one. To avoid this, the word "vr̥hibhiḥ" is understood as just mentioning vr̥hi (rice), in which case there is no question of the use of the word "vr̥hibhiḥ" restricting the scope of the employment of the means

in general implied by the verb. The word "vr̥hibhiḥ" thus not enjoining the exclusive use of rice, a substitute like nīvāra (wild rice) can be used in case rice is not available. Now, as stated earlier, the Mīmāṃsaka argues that it is possible to substitute nīvāra, etc., for rice because the sentence "vr̥hibhiḥ yajeta" is interpreted according to the Cheda view, that is, in terms of the component words. But if we adopt the interpretation of the sentence according to the Akhaṇḍa view of the Grammarian, it will be found that substitution of something else for rice is impossible. This school holds that the meaning of a sentence is a unity and it is not understood through the words in it. The undivided meaning of a sentence like "vr̥hibhiḥ yajeta" is conveyed by the undivided sentence. It is thus, in the Akhaṇḍa view, impossible to substitute anything for the material rice (the material signified by the word "vr̥hibhiḥ") since, on the level of understanding the meaning of the sentence, there is no word "vr̥hibhiḥ" or its meaning as real units in the sentence. And if instead of rice, we use wild rice, the sacrificial action becomes a different one, and is the ^{significance} ~~means~~ of a different sentence, namely, "nīvārairyajeta" (Sacrifice with wild rice).

We thus get here, if we accept the Akhanda view, a substitution not of the material used as means, but of the very sacrificial action.^{76 e} This means that the action enjoined is not performed.

- (2) Again experience shows that listeners get the meaning of a sentence not as a total unit, but through its component words.⁷⁷ Take the sentence "vanāt pika āniyataṃ" (Bring a parrot from the forest). In this sentence with three words the two words "vanāt" (from the forest) and "āniyataṃ" (bring) might be clear to a listener, while the word "pikaḥ" (parrot) might not be, especially if he was a city-man. Under such circumstances, he might ask the speaker what the word "pikaḥ" meant. But this doubt on the part of the listener would be impossible if the meaning of the sentence were, as the Grammarian argues, conveyed by the sentence as a whole and not through the parts.⁷⁸ As a matter of fact, the listener does not understand the meaning of the total sentence because he is not familiar with one word in it,—an argument which disproves the Grammarian's position of the undivided sentence conveying an undivided meaning.

(3) The Grammarian's position lands him in yet another difficulty regarding the interpretation of certain Vedic texts and the performance of the sacrifice which they enjoin.⁷⁹ This might be explained with reference to a sentence like "s'vetaṁ chāgaṁ ālabheta" ("Sacrifice a white he-goat"). The Mīmāṃsaka interprets sentences of this kind through the application of one or more of the six principles of interpretations (pramāṇas), s'ruti (direct statement), liṅga (indirect implication), vākya (syntactical connection), prakaraṇa (context), sthāna (position), and samākhyā (name).^{79a} Thus the action enjoined, namely, the action of sacrificing, and the means "chāga" which should be used for it are understood through direct statement (s'ruti).^{79b}

The next stage of the interpretation of the sentence is to explain the function of the word "s'vetaṁ". Its relation with the verb unlike that of the word "chāgaṁ" is through syntactical connection (vākya).^{79c} That is, it is connected to the verb, not directly through a verb-accusative relation but via the word "chāgaṁ" with which it is in a syntactical connection. The word "chāgaṁ"

meaning a material object, and the word "s'vetam" (white) meaning a quality and both being in the accusative case, they are in the first instance connected as the qualified and the qualifier (vis'eṣya and vis'eṣya). And through the word "chāgam", the word "s'vetam" is connected to the verb. To recapitulate, the connection of the word meaning the material, to the verb is through direct statement (s'ruti) and the connection of the word meaning an attribute, to the verb is through syntactical connection (vākya). It is through syntactical connection because its basis is the connection between two nouns in the accusative construed as being connected as a result of their occurring in the same sentence (sāmānādhikaranyā), besides the fact that one of them is the name of a material while the other is the name of a quality.

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~~but~~ Sometimes a different system of interpretation is employed, when the necessity arises for substitution of something else for the material or the quality enjoined, when, for instance, instead of a white he-goat, a white ram or a black he-goat has to be used, if what is enjoined is not available.

This substitution would be impossible if the authority of \bar{M} akya (syntactical connection) is considered to be as strong as, or stronger than, the authority of s'ruti (direct statement). For, then, what is understood as being enjoined in the sentence through the authority of \bar{v} akya, must be as essential and irreplaceable^e as what is made known by the authority of s'ruti. That is, the whiteness of the he-goat is a requirement which is as essential as the action of the sacrific^e~~ing~~ which is the significance of the injunction understood through the authority of s'ruti (s'rutipramāṇa). This will result in the non-performance of the action enjoined if the enjoined requirements are not available - a consequence which should be avoided. The \bar{M} īmāṃsaka therefore considers that the primacy of the authority of s'ruti makes any of the other five following pramāṇas non-operative, in case a conflict arises between s'ruti and it.^{79d} Thus, even if the requirement of the whiteness of the he-goat understood through \bar{v} akya-relation cannot be fulfilled, the action enjoined should be performed because it is understood through s'ruti.^{79e} This makes

substitution possible. When the injunction is interpreted like this, the material to be used and the attribute of such material also becomes a matter^s which comes under the scope of the s'ruti-pramāna. ⁷⁹⁶ The action enjoined understood through s'ruti, necessarily implies a means with a quality and therefore the idea of a means as well as its quality is understood through s'ruti. What the words "chāga" and "s'veta" by their mention do is to suggest a white he-goat as a material. The Mīmāṃsaka thus establishes the possibility of substitution on the basis of the primacy of the s'rutipramāna over vākyapramāna when there is a conflict between them.

The Mīmāṃsaka argues that such substitution on the basis of a conflict between s'ruti and vākya would be impossible if we accepted the Grammarian's ^{method} ~~way~~ of ~~the~~ ^{ing} ~~interpretation~~ = the sentence. ⁷⁹⁷⁻⁷⁹⁸ The employment of the pramanas like s'ruti and vākya and their conflict in explaining a sentence is valid only if the doctrine that a sentence is made up of words, and the technique by which it is interpreted through the component words, are accepted; and the Grammarian does not do this. According to him the whole sentence which is uttered conveys the whole meaning. To him, there is no need to determine the meaning of any word in a sentence in order to understand

the meaning of the sentence itself. Thus substitution becomes impossible, if we accept the Grammarian's viewpoint. The whole sentence is dependent only on one pramāṇa, namely, direct statement. That is, from the utterance of the sentence its total meaning namely "the action of sacrificing a he-goat qualified by whiteness" (s'vetaguṇavis'istachāgālamḥanaṃ) is understood. Since there is no question of such and such a part of the meaning being understood through s'ruti, and another part through vākya, there is also no question of any conflict between the two pramāṇas and hence no possibility of using a substitute either for the material or for its attribute. This means that in the event of not obtaining the stated material with the stated attribute the action which is enjoined cannot take place. This results in the non-observance of the injunction.

(4) Yet another difficulty arising out of the Grammarian's position is about the position of clauses included in a mahāvākya (complex or compound sentence).⁸⁰ It is difficult to conceive that such a sentence conveys its meaning without reference to the clauses which form its parts. The contribution which the clauses make towards the building up of the meaning of the whole sentence is indeed more obvious than the contribution of words in the scheme of the meaning of a sentence, although

the principle is the same in either case. The unreasonableness of the idea that the sentence functions as a total unit to convey a total meaning is more apparent in the case of the mahāvākya. Any mahāvākya will illustrate the point under discussion. If a mahāvākya functions in this way, then the whole Veda should be able to function like that; for the whole Veda is like one very long sentence.^{80a} The absurdity of the position that the whole Vedas and Śāstras put together convey one total meaning, and function as one total unit need only be imagined. If ^{the} existence and functioning of parts are not recognised, then no Veda, nor any Śāstra will be understood, since the Vedas and Śāstras are much too large for them to convey their meaning except through the understanding of their parts.

(5) The Mīmāṃsaka raises a fifth objection⁸¹ that, if the Grammarian's position is accepted, then all the and the rules of interpreting them in Vedic Texts etc references to the features of words in a sentence become meaningless. If words do not exist in the sentence, then such statements as, such and such a word has the principal meaning, or the meaning of such and such a word is determined by the evidence provided in another sentence, will be meaningless. In fact, it is not possible to make any statement about ~~the~~ words.

The Akhandavādī replies to the objections.

The possibility of analysing the sentence in terms of smaller units like the clauses included in it, or the words composing it is conceded by the Akhandavādī.⁸² Similarly the meaning of the sentence can also be analysed along the lines of the meanings of its component parts. It is not uncommon for integral and eternal elements to be described in analytical terms, as being revealed through smaller units or through finite substrata. Thus the universal (jāti) is described through the particulars which reveal it.⁸³ Or again a composite whole which is a unity is described in terms of its components.⁸⁴ Or one might see in a Bos gavaḥ or a man-lion (narasiṃha), which has been perceived as a total whole,^a parts which resemble other things.⁸⁵ One might see a certain part of a man-lion as resembling a man. In reality, the whole is a unity and is perceived as such; and it is only on the secondary stage of analysis that one sees in these objects, parts or partial resemblance to other things. In the same way, to repeat, there is nothing wrong on the level of analysis in viewing the sentence as containing parts; and on this pragmatic basis of analysis, all the operations with words as their basis are acceptable to the Akhandavādī. There is thus

no difficulty about the problem of interpreting injunctions like "vrihibhīryajeta", or for using substitutes for materials or their qualities in sacrifice, or for making statements about the meanings of words in sentences.⁸⁶ Similarly, the difficulty about the clauses included in the mahāvākya also does not arise on this basis. (This point about the mahāvākya will be discussed in greater detail in a subsequent paragraph).

The Mīmāṃsaka also pointed out that the ignorance of the meaning of one word or the sentence was found to prevent the understanding of the meaning of the whole sentence, and that this was evidence to show that the understanding of the meaning of a sentence was through the meanings of the words. But the Mīmāṃsaka totally misconstrues the whole position and analyses it wrongly. When a listener does not understand the meaning of a sentence "vanāt pika āniyatām", it is not because he does not understand the meaning of one word in it. Just as the apprehension ~~the apprehension~~ of the meaning of a sentence is in a single instalment with the sentence functioning as one unit, so is the non-apprehension of the meaning. We either understand or not understand the meaning of a sentence as such, and not through the understanding or not understanding of its parts.⁸⁷ So far as the parts are

concerned, the apprehension or non-apprehension of their meanings depend on whether we understand the sentence or not. So when the Mīmāṃsaka says that a listener's ignorance of the meaning of the word "pikah" (parrot) handicaps him in understanding the meaning of the sentence "vanāt pika āniyatām" (Bring the parrot from the forest), he is erroneously reversing the causal direction. It is the ignorance of the meaning of the sentence which causes the ignorance of any word in it. But why, it may be asked, ^{is} ~~does~~ it seem that one feels that it is the ignorance of the meaning of one word which prevents the understanding of the meaning of the whole sentence. One thinks that in the sentence "vanāt pika āniyatām", one knows the meanings of the two words "vanāt" (from the forest) and "āniyatām" (bring) and that it is only the meaning of the one word "pikah" which one does not know. This, the Grammarian replies, is because the listener makes a philosophically unwarranted comparison of the sentence "vanāt pika āniyatām" ^{some other approximately similar sentence, for instance,} (Bring a parrot from the forest) with the sentence "vanādvrkṣa āniyatām" (Bring a tree from the forest) whose meaning he knows. He then believes that, because he knows the sentence "'vanādvrkṣa āniyatām", the part "vanādāniyatām" (Bring from the forest) of the

other sentence is familiar to him. And so he concludes that the unfamiliar part "pikah" is standing in the way of his understanding the meaning of the sentence. But all this is a mistake. That he is familiar with the sentence "vanādvṛkṣa ānīyatām" does not mean that he is familiar with the part "vanādānīyatām" as occurring in the sentence, "vanāt pika ānīyatām", because the two sentences are totally different from each other. If, ⁸⁸ for the sake of brevity, we ^{respectively} call the two sentences A and B, in the order in which they are given, ~~respectively~~, we can say that we are seeing in B, a part which resembles a part of A. But it is only an apparent resemblance and the knowledge of a part of A, does not warrant the knowledge of B or part of B, on the strength of this apparent resemblance, because A and B are different, and function as wholes apart from parts. People do see parts where they do not exist and as apparently similar to parts of other things as in the case of the perception of parts resembling a man in a man-lion. ⁸⁹ But this is an error. Similarly it does happen that two sentences, which are both without parts in fact, are found to be similar to each other in some parts and dissimilar in other parts. This does not obviate the fact that they are two different sentences and that the

meaning of the one cannot be understood from the knowledge of the meaning of the other. Puṇyārāja remarks that the association of the words "pikah", "vanāt" and "ānīyatām" forms an entirely different sentence from that formed by the association of the words "vanāt", "vrkṣah", and "ānīyatām". §9a

Now regarding the question of the included clauses (avāntarāvākyas) which the opponent of the Akhaṇḍavādin raised, the Akhaṇḍavādin does not rule out the existence of such clauses. They are like words in a sentence.⁹⁰ They have ^{their} meanings on the analytical level but the important point is that they will all have independent meanings if another meaning, namely the total meaning of the mahāvākya, is not recognised.⁹¹ In other words, unless we recognise a meaning of the mahāvākya which is more than the meanings of the clauses, these included clauses will not have the status of included clauses, nor will their meanings ^{have} the status of the meaning of included clauses. ~~sections~~. If the mahāvākya and its meaning as different entities are not recognised the legitimate questions ^{may} be asked, in what are the clauses and their meanings included, and of what are they parts?

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The Grammarian's Criticism against Khandavāda.

After answering these criticisms raised by the Mimāṃsaka opponents, the Grammarian argues against the view that the meaning of the sentence is understood through the meanings of the words. There are sentences where we cannot demarcate the words. ⁹² How can we say, about such sentences, that we understand the meaning of the sentence through the meanings of the words. Take, for instance, the sentence "dadhyānaya" (Bring ghee). What is the authority to think that the sentence functions through the words "dadhi" and "ānaya", in conveying its meaning. These words do not exist in the sentence. The utterance takes the form of a single unit and it conveys its meaning as a single unit. ⁹³ In fact explaining the junction and showing that two words "dadhi" and "ānaya" ^{have} coalesced to form the sentence is a later analytical process.

But this criticism about the impossibility of delimiting the word in a junction does not create difficulties for the Akhandavādin in interpreting sentences like "s'veto dhāvati" which can convey more than one meaning. ⁹⁴ The sentence "s'veto dhāvati" can thus be understood in two ways - It can be "s'veto dhāvati"

The white (animal) runs (A dog runs from here),
 (A white animal runs) or "s'vā ito dhāvati" /

the word "s'veto" being taken as a combination of the words "s'vā" and "ito". The Akhandavādin adopting the principle of tantra ⁹⁵ explains how a single form like "s'veto" can be thus understood in different ways and component words like "s'vā" and "ito" recognised in it, which recognition leads to the interpretation of the sentence in different ways.

The following other There are also ~~some~~ arguments against the Akhandavādin's position ~~which maintains~~ that words and sentences are nothing more than the combination of letters, which are the real units, as against the Akhandavādin's position that words and sentences are more than the combination of letters, and are integral entities when they convey meaning, although in relation to the sentence words themselves are not real units on the level of speech.

Letters are not meaningful.

A collection of letters can be meaningful as a word or meaningless. ⁹⁶ Thus the collection of three letters "ku", "tī" and "ra" can form the word "kutīra" (a camp) or the letters can form a meaningless combination as "ratiku". We need not necessarily mean a collection of the same letters in this statement. It is enough if we state generally that a collection of letters can be

meaningful or meaningless. It is a significant fact that a collection of letters can be meaningless. It proves that letters are not individually meaningful. Since letters are not, thus, meaningful, a word as a meaning-conveying unit is not a collection of meaningful letters. To put it in a different way, there are no meaningful parts in the form of letters in a word. Reference might here be made to a statement in the Mahābhāṣya, which says that letters are meaningful since roots, suffixes and particles, which consist only of a single letter are found to be meaningful. ⁹⁷ That is intended in this statement is only that these grammatical elements have a grammatical meaning. The statement does not mean that letters are meaningful in ordinary use. Further, if letters have meaning, there is no need for recognising entities like the "X" meaning of a word" or the "meaning of a sentence". All meaning is conveyed by letters, which, being meaningful, possess mutual expectancy. ⁹⁸ Thus the meaning of a word will be the meaning of meaningful letters which possess mutual expectancy. ^{would} This means that words and sentences are meaning-conveying units ^{were} ruled out.

The meaning of ^a ~~the~~ sentence is not a sum-total of the meanings of the component words.

Just as the meaning of a word is not the sum-total of the meanings of ^{the component} letters, similarly the meaning of a sentence is not the sum-total of the meanings of ^{the component-} words. If a collection of meaningless letters can form a word which functions as an integral unit to convey a meaning, a collection of words which have meaning can give rise to a sentence which functions as an integral unit to convey a meaning which is not the sum-total of the meaning of the words. ⁹⁹ Words like ^{100,} 'gaurakhara', and ¹⁰¹ bahuvrīhi compounds prove how a combination of words can give rise to a meaning in which meaning of the component elements cannot be found. Thus the meaning of the component words "gaura" and "khara" of the word "gaurakhara" respectively, are "white" and "donkey". But the word "gaurakhara" does not mean any white donkey. It means "a wild donkey" - that is, it is the name of a particular donkey. Similarly bahuvrīhi compounds (relative or adjectival compounds) are defined as having reference to the meaning of a word other than those which compose it. Thus the word "udharathah" in "udharatho' naqvan" (a bull by ^{which} ~~a~~ cart is drawn) is a bahuvrīhi compound, and it does not ^{denote} ~~connote~~ the meaning of the component words "udha" meaning "drawn" and "ratha

meaning "a cart". The meaning of ^{the} ~~the~~ compound is not "a drawn cart", but a bull which draws a cart. The word thus denotes the meaning of a word other than the component words.

Then again about indeclinables like "adhistri" ¹⁰² (concerning a woman or wife). We cannot partition the meaning of ^{such} ~~the~~ words in terms of ^{their} ~~its~~ components. In "adhistri" it is not the part 'adhi' which contributes the sense of the locative case. The totality of the word does that function.

What is a sentence ? How can we define it ?

The Vākyapadiya presents eight different definitions of a sentence !¹⁰³ They are held by various schools of thought, falling under the two broad sections ^{the} ~~the~~ Akhaṇḍavādinśa, already mentioned, namely, the upholders of the indivisible sentence and those ^{the Khaṇḍavādins,} who hold that the sentence is built up from smaller units. ¹⁰⁴ ~~(Khaṇḍavādinśa)~~. We shall see presently how the definitions fall in these two broad groups. Let us look at these definitions and examine them one by one. The eight definitions are (1) The verb is the minimum sentence. (2) A sentence is a union of words. (3) A sentence is a universal which exists in a union of ^{sounds} ~~words~~. (4) A sentence is a speech-entity one and indivisible. (5) A sentence is a certain

order of words. (6) A sentence is a ~~unit of language~~.
 (7) The first word of a 'sentence' constitutes its minimum feature. (8) A sentence consists of all its words considered individually and possessing expectancy towards one another.

Of these definitions, numbers 3, 4 and 6 were held by the different sections of the Akhanda school to which Bhartrihari belonged. The others were held by the Khanda school.

What is meant by the definition of a sentence ?

By the definition of a sentence is meant the essential nature of a sentence. A sentence when it appears in speech or in recorded language is not always in its minimum form. Round its essential self there will be non-essentials; or the unobvious essential will be covered by the obvious and necessary sheath. Thus, when the author of one definition says that the verb is the essential sentence, he means that the subject, object and such other elements usually met with in the sentence do not constitute the essential self of the sentence. We might note here that it is ^{also} ~~his~~ ^{his} job ~~to say in what relation these non-essentials stand to the essential.~~ Again, when another theorist says that

the sentence is a universal which resides in the union of ^{sounds} ~~words~~, his meaning is that, although the ^{sounds} ~~words~~ in union are essential as a medium for the sentence to exist, such a union does not constitute the sentence. The essential sentence is the universal. When we examine these various definitions in detail we shall see that they are not all conceived from the same angle of observation. Some of the definitions are linguistic, in the sense that they can be stated and substantiated in terms of linguistic quantities. Some others are different and need extra-linguistic statement and substantiation.

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Every definition has a corresponding definition
of the meaning of the sentence.

Every definition of the sentence which Bhartrhari considers in the text, has a corresponding definition of the meaning of the sentence. Thus the Grammarian who holds a particular view as to the nature of a sentence also holds a definition of its meaning, which is different from that followed by another school. The important thing to note is that both ^{the} sentence and its meaning are so defined ^{as to make} ~~the~~ the definitions fit into the general framework of a philosophy of speech which the particular school holds. Thus, to the school which maintains the

integral nature of a speech-unit in the form of an utterance, the essence of the definitions of both the sentence and its meaning is that they are integral. The school of thought which holds the view that ^a speech-unit is built up from smaller units and is not an indivisible unity, correspondingly holds definitions of the sentence and ^{of} its meaning as divisible wholes, with as much _^ emphasis on the parts as on the whole.

We shall now discuss the eight definitions listed above. Of these the five definitions held by the Khandavādins are first discussed followed by the three definitions ^{by} the Akhandavādins.

(1) The verb is the sentence.

The first of these definitions to be considered here defines the sentence as a verb. ¹⁰⁵ The meaning of the sentence is the action which is the meaning of the verb. In fact, the definition of the sentence follows from the nature of the meaning which the sentence is intended to convey. The significance of the sentence being an action, the word or which the action is the meaning, is the sentence. If we undertake a process of eliminating element after element, from a sentence, we will come to its irreducible minimum; ¹⁰⁶ and that is the verb. The arguments for the verb being the sentence

are, thus, pincer-like in movement. They proceed from the logical and the linguistic ends. It must be stated here that this definition does not mean that a single verb-word can always constitute a sentence, although one can use such a sentence with advantage to illustrate the definition. It only means that the essential being of the sentence is the verb. The meaning of the sentence, we saw, is the meaning of the verb; and the meaning of the verb is action. An action which is the meaning of one sentence, is different from all other actions which latter include all actions which are meanings of other verbs and all actions which are meanings of the same verb occurring in ^{other} linguistic relationships. Let us explain this point. Let us take, as an example, the sentence 'he went to London'. Now the meaning of this sentence is different from the meaning of the sentence 'He bought a car' and 'I went to Oxford'. It is different from the first sentence, because the latter has a totally and obviously different verb. ~~It is different from the first sentence, because the latter has a totally and obviously different verb.~~ It is different from the second sentence, because the linguistic relationship in which the same verb appears in the second sentence is different, and therefore the verb has a very different meaning. To the question whether the meaning of the verb is the same in the two

sentences 'He went to London' and 'I went to Oxford' an answer in the affirmative is philosophically unsound. The difference in the agent and the destination of going makes all the difference to the action, that is, ¹⁰⁷ the meaning of the verb in the sentences. The two sentences have, consequently, different meanings. That the meaning of the verb is different ⁱⁿ ~~the two sentences~~ the two sentences does not invalidate the position that both sentences can be defined as being essentially constituted by the verb. Only, the verb stands in a different linguistic situation and relationship in each sentence.

(2) The sentence is a close combination of words.

Another definition of the sentence is that the sentence is "a close combination of words" (saṃghāta).¹⁰⁸ These words must also be related to each other (parasparānvitāḥ) grammatically. The meaning of the sentence is the inter-relation (samsarga) of the meanings of the words. Words, when used in a sentence, have the same meanings as when they are isolates.^{108a} But, when used in sentences, the mutual association of word-meanings gives rise to an additional element, which is the meaning of the sentence.¹⁰⁹ The Bhāṭṭaschool of Mīmāṃsā which holds this view is classed under the designation of the Abhinītanvayavādins. To repeat, they hold that it is

the inter-relation (anvaya) of the word-meanings already conveyed (abhihita) by the words, which we get in the sentence, when it conveys its meaning. There are two opinions⁵ as to how the meaning of the sentence is revealed, or conveyed. Some hold that it is revealed through the individual word-meanings, just as a universal is revealed through the particulars. Others hold that the medium through which the meaning of the sentence is revealed is the whole group of words in the sentence.¹¹⁰ A mental taking in of the whole group is necessary for grasping the meaning of the sentence. The understanding of numbers offers an analogy. The number, thirty-six, for instance, cannot be understood by knowing the number one. Even a statement that thirty six times one is thirty six does not help, because the understanding of that statement needs a knowledge of thirty six. If we ~~write~~ ^{add} $1 + 1 + 1 \dots \dots$ till it makes up 36, we can know what the number is, only by reading and knowing the whole lot. In other words, the knowledge of the number thirty six is not at each constituent one, but through the whole group of 'ones'. We can say that thirty six reveals itself through the group.

The Prābhākara section of the Mīmāṃsakas, like the Bhāṭṭas, holds the definition of the sentence as a saṃghāta,

or close combination of words. But they approach the problem of the meanings of the sentence and ^{of} the word and their relation in a different way. ^{III} On these topics they hold what is known as the *Anvitābhidhāna* view. ^{IIIa}

According to this doctrine the meaning of the sentence is formed not through the association of the meanings of the words as the *Bhāṭṭas* hold, but through the association of the words. Words which are compatible to one another produce the meaning of the sentence through their union. ^{IIa}

The meaning of the sentence thus formed from the union (*samsarga*) of the words is realised through the individual words as their meanings. ^{IIa} This leads to the position that a word expresses its meaning only after it enters into relation with other words in a sentence, (*anvitānāmeva abhidhānam*) and that the meaning of a word is not a mere object, but an object which is in a relation. ^{III}

To illustrate, the meaning of the sentence "gāṃānaya" (bring the cow) is conveyed by the syntactical connection (*anvaya*) of the two words "gāṃ" (cow) and "ānaya" (bring). The meaning of the sentence is "the action of bringing connected ^{to} ~~an~~ an animal with dewlap etc." The meaning of the words "gāṃ" and "ānaya" are ^{respectively} "cow-connected" and "bringing" and "bringing connected to a cow". The

meaning of the sentence is thus particularised in the words as their meanings. Now, prior to a listener's understanding of the construction of the sentence, that is, when he is in the process of listening to the sentence, the form of the meaning of the sentence might not be clear to him.¹¹⁴ But, as soon as the connection of the words is clear and the particularisation of the meaning of the sentence is evident, this uncertainty is removed. That is, when a listener completes listening to the sentence "gāmanaya" it will be evident to him, ~~it will be evident to him~~ that the cow mentioned there is a cow connected to bringing and the bringing mentioned is ^a ~~the~~ bringing connected to the cow. This leads him to an inference of the meaning of the sentence ^{being a connection} as between "bringing" and "cow", namely, "the bringing of the cow" (the animal with dew-lap, etc.)"¹¹⁵ The meaning of the sentence presented by the connection of the words is thus not different from the meanings of the words.

(3) A sentence is a sequence (krama).

Another definition of the sentence is that it is a sequence.¹¹⁶ Words uttered in a sequence form the sentence. It is this sequence which reveals the particular significance of the words used, as an agent connected to

such and such an action, or an object connected to such and such ¹¹⁷ on the action, and so on. To take an example, when the words "Devadatta", "gām", "abhyāja", "s'uklām" and "dandena" are uttered serially, they form a sentence; and from their serial utterance is revealed the significance of the word "Devadatta" as the agent of the action of "driving near" of which the object is a cow qualified by white colour, and the instrument is a stick. Similarly, the other words are revealed as ^{its} each having their particular significance.

The analogy of letters in a sequence forming a word might be used to understand how words uttered serially can form a sentence. A word is only the letters uttered serially; so is a sentence only the words ¹¹⁸ uttered serially. But the similarity should not be extended beyond that. If through the utterance of the words serially, their own particular meanings as subject, etc., are revealed, no such revelation of the meanings of letters take's place when they are uttered serially to form a word. ¹¹⁹ Therefore, ~~unlike words~~ ¹²⁰ unlike words letters have no meaning.

- (4) The sentence is the first word.
- (5) It is all the components words severally, these words having expectancy towards one another. ¹²¹

According to those who hold these two definitions, every word has as its meaning its connection with other words.¹²² To put it in a different way, words convey their meanings in the form of an object connected to something. And this meaning in the form of a connection which words convey is also the meaning of the sentence particularised in the words. Therefore, the meaning of the sentence resides in the very first word of the utterance.^{122a} Hence the sentence is defined as the first word (padamādyam).

On the same principle, the meaning of the sentence resides in every component word of the sentence.¹²³ Since this sentence-meaning is formed from the connection of the component words which have expectancy for each other, and since it is particularised through the individual words, the sentence is defined as 'all the component words taken severally, and having expectancy for one another.' This definition is thus a composite of two concepts. Because the meaning of the sentence is yielded ~~from~~ from the connection of words which have expectancy for one another, ~~we~~ we have the section 'sarvapadam sākāṅkṣam' (being of the form of all component words which possess expectancy for one another). The feature that this meaning is particularised in the individual words and can be realised through them is represented by the word 'prthak' (severally).

A few objections are raised against these definitions. If the first word constitutes the sentence and if the meaning of the sentence resides in the first word, why ^{we} ~~=~~ do not realise that meaning when the first word is uttered? ¹²⁴ To illustrate, when the first word "Devadatta" (Devadatta) of the sentence "Devadatta gam abhyāja" (Devadatta, drive the cow near) is uttered, the listener is not sure what the sentence, that is being uttered, is and consequently what its significance is. What he is hearing can be the first word of any sentence which starts with "Devadatta" as the first word. To him "Devadatta" is not yet a specific instance of the word (vis'esas'abda) with a specific relational significance, i.e., the particular person Devadatta to whom an instruction is given to drive the cow near. So long as the first word ~~only~~ ^{only,} "Devadatta" is uttered, it is only the word "Devadatta" in general (sāmānyas'abda) to the listener, ^{and} its meaning is only a person Devadatta in general without ^{his} being connected to something like the action ^{of} "driving near". This means it is wrong to say that the meaning of the sentence is conveyed by the first word, for, according ¹²⁵ to the doctrine held by this school, it is the meaning of the sentence which is particularised as the meanings

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of the words including the first word.

This objection is answered as follows. It is true that, when the first word is uttered, its particular significance and the meaning of the sentence are not realised from it. But this does not disprove either of the two ~~definitions~~ ^{definitions}. The first word, when uttered has only the appearance of being the general unspecified word, but as soon as the subsequent words are uttered, its status as a word in a particular connection, and as conveying that connection, through it, both as its own meaning and as the meaning of the sentence, becomes
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evident.

Further, since the meaning of the sentence is yielded by the connection of all component words, ~~and~~ ~~connection~~, there is no question of the rest of the words becoming redundant through its being conveyed through one of the words.
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(5) The sentence is a universal residing in a close combination of ^{sounds} ~~words~~ (jātiḥ saṃghātavartṭinī). 128

This is one of the three definitions of the sentence as an integral entity. According to this, the essential sentence in an utterance like "gām ānaya" (Bring the cow) is not the sounds we hear, but a universal which is revealed by the individual sounds. In the sentence "gām

"anaya" one does not know ^{what-} ~~what~~ the sentence is at each of the letters in it. But when all the letters in it are uttered, the identity of the sentence-entity becomes known. The analogy of performing an action like revolving round and round may be cited. ^{12.9} An observer who comes to the scene will not at first understand what the person is doing. But after watching the action repeated, he decides what it is.

Even accepting that the identity of the sentence is revealed through the individual letters in it, why should it be considered as a universal? The answer is that we find the sentence as being the same whenever it is uttered. Every time we hear the utterance "ayam ghatah" (This is a pot), we understand that it is ~~the one and the~~ same sentence, and we say "this is the sentence 'ayam ghatah'". Since there is thus ^a persistent cognition of the same sentence in all these instances of utterance, there must be something which is persistent that causes it. That cannot be the letters uttered with the same sequence for that would be like holding that a pot is nothing more than "clay in combination". ^{13.0} Just as a pot, although made of clay in combination is a different and distinct entity, similarly, a sentence although composed of letters in a certain sequence is different from ~~them~~ them.

It is this sentence-universal which resides in the letters in a sentence that causes the apprehension of its meaning. Thus the *jāti* (universal) is the meaning-conveying entity, according to this doctrine.¹³¹ Hence it is known as *Jātiśphotavāda*, the doctrine which considers *jāti* as the meaning-conveying entity.

The relation between ~~the~~ *sphoṭa* (the meaning-conveying entity) and *dhvani* (the sounds which reveal it) is conceived in the same way by this section of the exponents of ~~the~~ *sphoṭa* as by the other sections like the *Vyaktiśphotavādins* (whose definition of the sentence will be considered next). Listeners do not clearly distinguish between the sounds and the meaning-conveying universal in them. The revealing sound is considered as being of the same nature as the meaning-conveying entity.¹³² In other words, the sound-pattern is taken to be the entity which conveys the meaning. This is because the revealing of ~~the~~ *sphoṭa* and ~~the~~ *dhvani* is at the same centres of speech activity.¹³³ This statement only means that it is the sound-pattern which is produced at the speech-centres that reveal the *sphoṭa* in its turn. Hence metaphorically it can~~not~~ be considered that the two are revealed at the same centres.

(7) The sentence is a single and part-less speech-entity. (eko'navayavaḥ s'abdah).¹³⁴

This is a definition of the ~~same~~ view held by a major section of the Akhaṇḍavādins and most of the discussion on the integral nature of speech under the general heading akhaṇḍasphoṭa has particular reference to this more than to jātisphoṭa.¹³⁵ Of course, the basic doctrines of the integral nature of ~~the~~ sphoṭa, its eternality, the relation between ~~the~~ sphoṭa and dhvani are more or less common to all sections of the Akhaṇḍa school.

According to this definition, then, the sentence is an integral entity revealed by the sound-pattern of the utterance. In other words, if we will apply the notions of sphoṭa and dhvani discussed in Chapter II to a sentence, we will get the notion of this definition of the sentence.

What is the difference between the two definitions?

~~the~~ Sphoṭa, according to the conception of vyaktisphoṭa is the Word as the supreme principle, individualised in a single utterance. This is like ~~the~~ space which is really a partless whole, being limited by a pot or a room, which makes us designate it as the space in the pot or the space in the room. Similarly, ~~the~~ sphoṭa which is partless and is a single entity is limited by the phonetic pattern

of the utterance. It then partakes of the character^{-istics} of the phonetic pattern, such as sequence and so on. A sentence conveys its meaning because the speech-principle is individualised in it; and the essential sentence is this individualised speech-principle. An important point to note is that every individual utterance has an individualised sphoṭa functioning as its meaning-conveying element, just as every pot has its own section of space enclosed in it.

In the doctrine of jātisphoṭa, ~~the~~ sphoṭa is not individualised in an utterance, but suggested by it. In other words, the sphoṭa, in one instance of the utterance "gām ānaya" is the same as the sphoṭa in another instance. What these utterances do is to suggest this ^{sphoṭa-universal} ~~thing~~ which is common to them. 136

8. The sentence is consciousness reduced to speech.

This is the third of the three definitions which treat the sentence as an integral entity. The sentence is defined here as consciousness externalised and expressed through speech-sounds.

Consciousness, which is a partless entity, is the speech-principle, and it is of the stuff of both speech and meaning. ¹³⁸ Speech and meaning are two aspects of the same inner principle, although in their realised form they appear to be distinct entities. ¹³⁹ The inner principle has the potentiality ^{both} for being the meaning - conveying entity and the meaning that is conveyed when it is revealed. ¹⁴⁰ The seed of the duality of word and meaning is inherent in it. Similarly it possesses the capacity for being revealed or not revealed. It is also, while being non-sequential, perceived as having sequence. ¹⁴¹

The meaning of the sentence according to
the Akhanda school.

All the three sections of the Akhanda school whose definitions we considered above, conceive the meaning of the sentence as a flash of insight (pratibha).¹⁴² Although this flash of insight is formed in the mind of the listener after he receives the component words and understands their meanings, it is not in its nature a sum-total of the meanings of the words.¹⁴³ Nevertheless, there is the appearance of the fusion and the recognition of word-meanings in it.¹⁴⁴

In its formation, this flash of insight is not a product of the deliberate mind; nor can it be interpreted by it.¹⁴⁵ It is the result of the activity of the total consciousness of the listener, of his whole personality.¹⁴⁶

This insight which flashes in the mind of the person who listens to a sentence, exists in its intrinsic nature in all living beings at all times.¹⁴⁷ Listening to a sentence only provides an occasion for its manifestation.¹⁴⁸ Just as the softness of a ripe fruit is natural to it, similarly insight operates in its possessor without further effort.¹⁴⁹

However, the causes which produce insight might vary. While in a monkey, it exists through instinct, in a sage it is effected through meditation. ¹⁵⁰ Thus good conduct, training, meditation, results of actions in the past lives, and the words of superior persons can produce insight. Its ultimate source, however, is the Word in the form of the Scripture, whether the Scripture is learnt in this life or in a previous one. ^{150a}

It is insight which makes living beings do the proper actions in their proper contexts. It is the source of the knowledge of what to do (*itikartavyatā*). ¹⁵¹ Even animals and children perform actions which are apparently new to them through the power of ~~this~~ insight. ¹⁵² The cuckoo sings in the spring through the inspiration obtained from ^{it.} ~~this~~ insight. In fact, all activity whether of man or of other creatures has its root in this insight. ¹⁵³

Other definitions considered by Puṇyārāja.

Puṇyārāja concluding his introductory note on these eight definitions says that they fairly cover the whole field of the Sanskrit systems of philosophy in regard to the topic. He discusses a few other definitions which are not directly mentioned in Bhartr̥hari's list and seeks to show that these can be considered as ^{being} not very different from one or other of the enlisted definitions.

Thus the definitions held by Kātyāṇa^{ya}, the author of the Vārttika, on Pāṇini's Sūtras, ^{by} the Jaraṇmīmāṃsakas and by the Buddhists are considered. Of these the author of the Vārttika defines the sentence in terms of the verb. A verb accompanied by indeclinables, nominal case forms and qualifying and modifying words is the sentence and a sentence will have only one principal verb.¹⁵⁴ This definition can be taken as representing the view held by the ancient Grammarians on this topic. Hence Puṇyārāja calls it 's'āstriyam lakṣaṇam' (definition recognised and used in Grammar).

There is also the Jaraṇmīmāṃsaka definition of the sentence. ^{According to it} ~~then~~, a group of words which conveys a common meaning is a sentence provided there is mutual expectancy among the words.¹⁵⁵ This common meaning of the sentence is a common purpose (prayojanam).¹⁵⁶ The

Mīmāṃsakas, being concerned with the performance of sacrifice as of primary importance, considered the meaning of the sentence as being primarily purposive rather than expressive. These words of the sentence have expectancy for one another; but as a combination, they form a piece which is complete and has no expectancy for anything outside. Like Kātyāyana, the Mīmāṃsaka also believes that the verb is the principal element in the sentence (karmapradhānam). Qualifying or modifying words also form elements of a sentence (guṇavat).

Difference between the two definitions.

Kātyāyana's and the Mīmāṃsaka's definitions running along parallel lines to some extent are also viewed as different in some respects by Bhartṛhari. He finds that the two definitions do not coincide on all kinds of sentences. There are, he says, sentences which will satisfy the requirements of both definitions, and sentences which will not. Kātyāyana's definition is shown to have the widest possibilities without exception, while the Mīmāṃsaka's definition fails to apply to some sentences. The question is examined from one particular angle - from the angle of the dropping of accents in certain words ~~in certain sentences~~ in certain sentences.

Bhartrhari argues that the acceptance of Kātyāyana's definition will prevent the dropping of the accent in such sentences while the Mīmāṃsaka's definition will cause it. ¹⁵⁷

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Pāṇini VIII.1.28 says that a finite verb in a sentence will be unaccented provided a word which is not a finite verb precedes it and the two are in the same sentence (samānavākye). Now, according to Kātyāyana's definition of the sentence, a sentence can have only one finite verb. The application of this makes the piece 'ayam dāṇḍo harānena' two sentences and not one sentence, because the Grammarian assumes the existence of the verb 'asti' after the ^{word} ~~verb~~ 'dāṇḍo'. This makes the piece ^{read} 'ayam dāṇḍo' ('sti), harānena'. (This is the staff; carry by means of it). Since, thus, the verb 'hara' is not in the same sentence as the preceding word it is not accented.

On the other hand if the Mīmāṃsaka's definition of the sentence is accepted, the verb 'hara' will have to be unaccented. To the Mīmāṃsaka a collection of words having expectancy for one another, which has a verb as its principal member and which has a common purpose is a sentence. Now the piece 'ayam dāṇḍo harānena' satisfies all these conditions, above all, the primary condition of having a common purpose. The whole piece is intended as

an instruction to perform an action. Since, thus, according to the Mīmāṃsaka conception of the sentence the verb 'hara' has words which are not finite verbs preceding it in the same sentence, it should be unaccented, which is wrong.

Sentences ^{in which} ~~where~~ the two definitions agree.

There are sentences, however, ^{on which} ~~where~~ the two definitions agree in that it is possible by the application of either to satisfy the rule about the dropping of accent. The piece "nadyāstīṣṭhati kūle^{He}" (~~the~~ stands on the bank of the river) provides an illustration to the point. ^{158a} In this piece which is a sentence the word 'tīṣṭhati' will be unaccented, looked at from either angle. The Mīmāṃsaka can call it a sentence because there is a sameness of purpose running through it; and the Grammarian can call it a sentence because it satisfies his conditions. Thus the verb "tīṣṭhati" has other words which are not finite verbs in the same sentence.

These definitions need no separate listing.

In Panyarāja's view ~~of~~ both these definitions - Kātyāyana's ^a and ^{the} Jaraṇamīmāṃsaka's - can be included in the definition of the sentence as "a close combination of words" (saṃghāta) ^{159 given} ~~as~~ in the list of the eight definitions. Therefore, they are not listed as separate

definitions, although as we have seen above, Bhartṛhari makes a study of them in comparison and contrast.

The sentence defined by the Buddhists. ¹⁶⁰

According to the Buddhists, the sentence is an unitary entity which is subjective in character, but is revealed with the character of objectivity and as possessing a shape. This partless and sequenceless entity is presented objectively by words, which themselves are part-less, and without sequence, and subjective in ultimate character. But these words are, in their turn, revealed objectively as having parts and sequence of parts by letters. The sentence thus is essentially a subjective entity and it is a result of the mind's accumulated impression of the shapes of numberless sentences from timeless eternity. Obviously the individual mind which is the birth place of an individual sentence is, thus, not an entity in vacuum, but a part of the collective mind and the repository of the collective linguistic impressions of the race. The utterance of a sentence, thus, is the revelation of a timeless entity in time.

The Buddhists approach the meaning of the sentence also along the same lines. It is subjective, timeless,

partless and sequenceless in character, but revealed objectively with a form by word-meanings which, essentially share the same attributes, but which too are in their turn revealed through letters. The meaning of the sentence is a product of ^{the} timeless impressions of the meaning of innumerable sentences.

Puṇyārāja holds that these definitions are more or less the same as the ~~definition~~ Grammarian's definition of the sentence as a reduction of consciousness, (buddhyanusamhrtiḥ) and the meaning of the sentence as a flash of insight (pratibhā) ¹⁶¹

The definition of the sentence by the Nyāya school.

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The Nyāya ¹⁶² defines the sentence as the last word aided by the impressions of the preceding words, just as they define the word as the last letter aided by the impressions of the letters which preceded. ^{162a} This stand of the Nyāya School is a result of their doctrine that letters and words are perishable. They also hold that the sentence is perishable (naś'yadavasthānubhāvaviṣayikriyamanam)

Similarly the meaning of the sentence is the idea produced by the last word aided by the impressions of the meanings of the words which preceded. These definitions, according to Puṇyārāja, are not different from the ^{definition} conception of the sentence as a close combination of words (saṃghāta), with the connection of

word-meanings (śamsarga) as the meaning of the sentence. In either case the utterance of a collection of words constitutes the utterance of the sentence. The two definitions also resemble in that they do not see the necessity for another entity like sphoṭa as a unity in the diversity of the words uttered - a necessity which the Grammarian sees and meets. There is, however, a principal difference between the positions of the Nyāya and Mīmāṃsaka schools. The Nyāya ^{philosopher} ~~School~~ holds, as stated above, the theory of the perishability of speech-sounds (which he includes in the connotation of the word ś'abda). Thus letters, words and sentences are perishable for ~~him~~¹⁶³. To the Mīmāṃsaka philosopher, on the other hand, letters, words and sentences are eternal; that is what guarantees to him the imperishable and eternal nature of the Vedas.¹⁶⁴

CHAPTER FOUR

The word.

THE WORD.

We discussed briefly in the last chapter the position which words occupy in Bhartṛhari's philosophy of speech. The relation which words bear to the sentence and to the letter both on the level of speech and on the level of analysis was also shown.

Much of what Bhartṛhari discusses about s'abda in general can be applied to words as much as to sentences or letters. Thus the doctrines of the beginninglessness of the word (s'abda), of its imperishability, of the unalterable relation between it and its meaning apply to all units of speech, starting from the sentence downwards. Therefore, in this chapter, we shall discuss only such problems as have, in the main, reference to ^{the} word as generally understood, that is, as a member of the letter-word-sentence system. Bhartṛhari uses the term "pada" when he wants, thus, to refer to words exclusively as apart from its inclusion in the general reference of the word s'abda.¹⁶⁵ We shall use "word" with a small 'w' as equivalent to the former reference, as different from ^{the}

Word with a capital 'W' as meaning S'abda, the word-principle, both as a cosmic principle and as its revealed form as human speech.

The Classification of words.

Words are classified into groups from various angles. Thus the 'Sphoṭacandrikā' divides words into "indivisible meaning-conveying units" and "divisible meaning-conveying units".¹⁶⁶ The former is the word as recognised in a sentence on the speech-level. The meaning of the sentence is revealed through the meanings of such words. But the meaning of the word itself is not understood on that level through the meanings of its component elements; the word functions there as a total whole.¹⁶⁷

On the level of grammar and interpretation, on the other hand, the word functions as a divisible unit. On that level the word, the meaning of which is explained, is approached through its parts.¹⁶⁸

The distinction between the indivisible and divisible word-units is thus, as in the case of the sentence, a functional one. It is a matter of placing them on two different levels, one of which, namely, the level of speech being the primary level.

The notion that a word functions as a total unit is part of an application to the word of the Grammarian's general theory of sphota, the indivisible meaning-conveying entity which functions in letters, words and sentences.

Just as letters have no parts, there are no parts in a word. The meaning of the word is conveyed by an entity which is presented by the component letters. ¹⁶⁹

An objection.

¹⁶⁵ The Nyāya school, ^{along with the Vedānta school} ¹⁷⁰ raises an interesting objection against the doctrine that sphota, the meaning-conveying principle is presented by the letters of a word. If it is the letters through which ~~the~~ sphota is revealed, which of the letters ^{es.} _^ do the function of revealing it. The objection gives reasons to prove that it cannot be the ^{one letter which} first, or ^{any one} _^, or the last letter ~~found~~ in the word. Take, for instance, the word "pata". The first letter, namely "pa" cannot manifest ~~the~~ sphota, because it, like any other letter perishes the moment it is produced. ^{170a} If ^{it did} ~~that were so~~, the letter "ta" of the ^{word} _^ pata would be superfluous as the meaning-conveying unit. Nor can it be specifically said that the final letter in the word manifests ~~the~~ sphota. If the final letter manifests ~~the~~ sphota, then where is the need to assume an entity like sphota at all? To say that the final letter manifests

sphoṭa is to say that the meaning of the word is conveyed to the listener with the utterance of the final letter. One cannot see in such a position, any need for the assumption of a mysterious element called sphoṭa, to stand between the utterance of the final letter and the conveying of the meaning of the word. Further, if the final letter conveys the meaning-conveying unit, how is it different from the opposing Nyāya position which holds that the meaning of a word is conveyed by the last letter in the word functioning in association with the mental impressions of the preceding letters.

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The Grammarian's answer.

This objection, argues the Grammarian, is meaningless. If any letter can reveal sphoṭa and if the first letter does it, it does not result in the meaninglessness of the second and subsequent letters. For instance, if the letter 'pa' of the word "paṭa" manifests the sphoṭa of the word, the second letter 'ṭa' has still a function. It resolves the doubt raised in the mind of the listener when he listens to the letter 'pa', whether the word which starts with the speaker's utterance or the letter, is "paṭa" or something else, for instance, "pada". The utterance of the letter 'ṭa'

clears this doubt and establishes the word as "paṭa".

Again does the conception of sphoṭa become superfluous if the final letter is considered as manifesting it. It does not ¹⁷² Here a conception of the opponent himself can be made use of with advantage. According to the Nyāya School, the thing which the word "paṭa" means is cloth; and this referent of the word "paṭa" is taken to be something more than the thing completed by the weaving of the final thread in the pattern. In the same way, asks the Grammarian, what is the mistake in assuming that the word-unit which conveys the meaning is something different from the sum of the letters?

An alternative interpretation of the terms

"akhaṇḍapadaśphoṭa" and "sakhāṇḍapadaśphoṭa". 172^a

The Grammarian also offers an alternative in ^{ae} sakhāṇḍapadaśphoṭa the words 'akhaṇḍapadaśphoṭa' and sakhāṇḍapadaśphoṭa, not necessarily as a view accepted by him, but to show that such conceptions of indivisibility and divisibility of word-units, particularly the former, are not in^happlicable to the thoughts of other systems as well. He seeks to show that these ideas and terms can be applied to certain of the classes into which the

Nyāya Philosopher divides words on the basis of the manner in which they convey their meanings. Thus words which are grouped as ^uyaugika, that is, as possessing an etymological meaning can well be called ^{or}sakhandawords + divisible meaning-conveying units. ^{.. k k}So can words classed as yogarūḍha that is, those the meanings of which are etymologically explainable, but which, nevertheless, are fixed to certain referents. Thus the word "pācaka" is yaugika, as it is explainable etymologically (pākaṁ karoti iti - one who cooks food). The word "paṅkajam" (lotus) is 'yogarūḍha'. It is capable of an etymological explanation (paṅkajā jayate iti - that which is born ~~out~~ ^{in the mud} of mind). But from among those many things which are borne ~~out~~ ^{in the mud} of mind, the lotus is specified as being the meaning of the word "paṅkajam". These two classes of words, according to the Grammarian can very well be called divisible meaning-conveying units as the etymological method of analysing the word and interpreting it through analysis is applicable to them. The Grammarian also mentions in this context, that these words are indivisible meaning-conveying units to people who are un^ttutored in grammar and lexicography. These people, who do not know the etymology of these words, use them like symbols of their meanings. To them, the

the word as a unit stands for the meaning as a unit. Again, words which are grouped as rūḍha, that is, having a popular meaning which is not etymologically explainable, are indivisible meaning-conveying units to all alike, the tutored ^{and} the untutored. Such are words like "maṇi", "n_ṇupura" and "vaḥ" (Jewel, anklet, you (to you, or your) respectively). This is because all alike understand the meanings of these words without any aid from their parts. Surely, the meaning of the word "maṇi" is not the sum of the parts "ma" and "ṇi", which in fact do not contribute to the meaning at all.

Meaning on various levels. Formal Meaning and the Referent as the Meaning.

The word as the name (saṃjñā) and the named (saṃjñī).

Connected with the dual ^{status} capacity of the word dealt with in the above paragraphs and similar in nature and explanation is the dual capacity of the word as a name (saṃjñā) and the named ^{(saṃjñī) 173}. To state the proposition in different terms, the word is both a symbol and the symbolised. It is the name for something and is the named with reference to itself. The formal entity, the phonetic pattern agni (svarūpartha) is the first meaning ¹⁷⁴ of the word "agni" while the word also has a referent as its meaning which might be called "meaning on the semantic level.". The proposition of the word being the

the name and the named together, is based on a conception of different levels of meaning. But it must not be assumed that every utterance of a word calls forth the exercise of its meanings on all levels. There are contexts where only the phonetic meaning is relevant; there are other contexts where ^{the} referent is the one required. ¹⁷⁵ The word 'agni', for instance, if uttered in a grammatical rule, means the phonetic pattern, or the form as its meaning. ¹⁷⁶ In this context the word 'agni' is used to convey the form agni as its meaning. It does not mean fire. On the other hand, if the word is used in a ^{from life} ~~any~~ situation, such as pointing to a street fire, the word ^{ob} ~~obviously~~ means fire. ¹⁷⁷

Word-Meaning Relation.

Between a word and its meaning, there exists an ^{un} ~~unalterable~~ and inviolable relation. ¹⁷⁸ The nature of this relation is defined by the phrase vācya-vacaka-bhāva (or the relation between the expressing and the expressed). ¹⁷⁹ This relation is permanent and can be described by the ^{179a} statement that a word, when uttered must necessarily convey a particular meaning which is not conveyed by any other word. A question might be asked here, whether ^{word} this relation is not violated when the ~~word~~ possesses more meanings than one, and in any one context, it conveys only one of its many meanings. For example, the word

'gauh' (cow) can mean either an animal or a Gāhika
 (the name of ^a people or ^{of a} person belonging to that ^{people} race).

Is not the constancy of the relation between the word and its meaning violated by the word having two meanings ?

The Grammarian's answer to this question is in the negative, because according to his theory, the word possesses not two meanings which are independent of each other, but two meanings which are expressions of two different powers of the same word and are thus mutually related. ¹⁸⁰

The word-meaning relation is not violated because the word has always the power to convey its primary meaning and all other meanings are metaphorical derivations or contextual applications of the primary meaning. ¹⁸¹ (The question of the primary, secondary and incidental meanings is discussed in greater detail later in the chapter).

Or again the problem of the permanence of the word-meaning relation can be approached from another angle. A word always conveys its form as its meaning. And whenever it conveys an object as its meaning, it is a case of the identification of the object with the form. Hence the relation of the expressing and the expressed which exists between the word and its meaning is not violated, whatever object it denotes. The word remains permanently connected to its form ¹⁸²

The process of a word conveying a referent as its meaning.

What is the mental process behind the use of a certain word to denote an object? The mind first dwells on the word, which is then placed on the particular object. The utterance of the word preceded by this process results in its denoting the particular object. A mental fixation of the word on the particular object thus necessarily precedes the fruitful utterance of the word. ¹⁸³ Panyas ^r ^{stakēs} contends that it is this establishment of a relation of identity ([↳] *tādāmya*) between the word and the object in the mental sphere which makes the word denote the appropriate object itself and prevents the object being conveyed by another word. ¹⁸⁴

The word must be heard before it conveys a meaning.

It is the spoken word which is primarily kept in mind by the Grammarian in all this discussion. ~~Words are not heard before they are uttered.~~ ~~Words are not heard before they are uttered.~~ ~~Words are not heard before they are uttered.~~ ~~Words are not heard before they are uttered.~~ This emphasis on the spoken word is necessary and appropriate as the Grammarian's interest, as discussed in these pages, is in a philosophy of speech; of man's speaking activity and its results. But emphasis on the spoken word was relevant in the philosophy of speech, not only with reference to the spoken colloquial, but also with reference to literature; because, in ancient

India as in ancient Greece, tradition of an unwritten literature, handed down by word of mouth from generation to generation continued for a long time. ¹⁸⁵

For a word to convey a meaning to a listener, it must first be heard, received by the ear. ¹⁸⁶ The stating of this apparently obvious fact becomes patently meaningful when applied to the situation where the speaker himself is the listener. Thus even if some one is reading silently (as the expression usually goes), his understanding of the meaning of the words he reads is preceded by the words themselves being received by his ears, however imperceptible the latter process is to others and perhaps even to himself. In every situation of a word conveying a meaning, it is both the perceived (grāhya) and the causer of the perception of meaning (grāhaka). Just as light reveals an object and is itself revealed prior to that, so is the word received by the ear prior to its causing the perception of meaning. ¹⁸⁷

If precedent sense-perception of the word is not essential for the word's conveying its meaning, then the very presence of the word should be able to convey its meaning. ¹⁸⁸ Thus if a word is uttered by someone, it should be able to convey its meaning to a person even if he does not hear it. But this obviously does not happen. In fact, when someone tells us something and we have not

heard it well, we ask him to repeat what he said.

There is, also, nothing wrong in the same word possessing two different powers - the power of being perceived and the power of causing the perception of meaning. We have seen in the example of light that such co-existence of different powers is not entirely unknown. It will not cause any difficulty since the powers are of different characters, and function in different spheres. The power of being perceived and the power of causing ^{the perception of meaning} perception produce different results and hence there is an absence of conflict in their functioning. ¹⁸⁹

The essential element denoted by a word in its referent.

In Chapter I above, we stated the Grammarian's position that Brahman is the significance of all words. ¹⁹⁰ If Brahman is the meaning of all words, objects the critic, then all words will be synonyms and this will result in the uselessness of ^{human} ~~the~~ language employing several words at the same time. ¹⁹¹ The Grammarian is not worried by this objection. Brahman which is the meaning of all words is differentiated into the various universals due to its connection with them. The undivided is apparently divided into the cow-universal, the horse-universal and so on. Therefore these words are used to denote these

universals. ¹⁹² Thus Bhartṛhari says that Existence pure and simple is found in cows and co, because of its connection with different subjects and on it all words depend. This is called the meaning of the stem and the root and the meaning of the suffixes like tva and tal. ¹⁹³ In the cow-universal and co we have Existence residing in the forms of the Supreme Universal identified with the lower universals like cow-ness. Hence words when used ^{to} denote ^a the universal like cow-ness ^{are} which is really denoting the Supreme Universal, the Supreme Existence.

On this question of the denotation of a word, whether it denotes ^{the} the universal or the particular, two views were held by Grammarians who preceded Bhartṛhari. Thus, Vājapyāyana, an ancient teacher, considered the universal as the essential meaning of the word. But the later Grammarians like Vyādi held the theory of the particular. ¹⁹⁴ Patañjali, on the other hand, considered that both the universal and particular can be the essential significance of a word. In this Patañjali is following Pāṇini, who states that the meaning of a word can be the universal and ^{the} particular. As an example for the universal-theory he

gives the sentence "A ^{is} Brahmana to be honoured" in which the word 'Brahmana' stands not for a particular Brahmin, but for the class of Brahmins. In another place he uses the word as meaning an individual Brahmin. 195

Can a word have more than one referent? ~~Can it?~~

In discussing above the problem of the constancy of the relation between a word and its meaning the Grammarian's argument that such relation is not broken even if a word conveys more than one referent ~~meanings~~ was stated. 196 We shall examine here in detail this problem of a word having more than one meaning from the stand-points of the Grammarian ^{the} and opposing schools.

The two Schools of thought.

Indian thinkers held divergent opinions on whether or not the identity of a word changed according to ^a change in its meaning. If a word 'file' has more than one meaning, as it obviously has, does it mean that the word which conveys the meaning 'a row of soldiers' is different from the word which conveys the meaning "a sheaf of papers fastened to a cord". Although the phonetic constitution of the word happens to be the same, the same-ness of the phonetic pattern need not have more importance than two people entirely different from each other having the same name. The two different theories

- on this can be named 'the theory of the ^{same} ~~case~~ word'
 ✓ (Ēkas'abdavāda) and 'the theory of different words'
 ✓ (Nānās'abdavāda).

We have to state here that the conception of the oneness or otherwise of the word as related to the many meanings ^{it has,} is, according to Indian thinkers, only a part of a larger question, namely, the oneness or otherwise of any speech-element (s'abda) from the letter to the sentence. Thus the Mahābhāṣya presents both views in a discussion on ^{I. 1. 1} ~~in ābhikāṣe~~. ¹⁹⁷ To the Ēkas'abdavādins the word 'file' is the same whatever the meaning it conveys and to the Nānās'abdavādins it is different in each instance of ^{its} occurrence with a different meaning, not because of any power of the meaning ^{itself}, but because, ^{respectively} theoretically, they believe either in the oneness or the ^{plurality} ~~manyness~~ of it.

As we have noticed above, one of the two schools holds that a change in the identity of the word ensues every change in its meaning. ¹⁹⁸ That is, the word 'file' meaning 'a row of soldiers' is not the same as the word 'file' meaning 'a sheaf of papers'. Or to take a familiar example

from Sanskrit, the word 'gauḥ' meaning 'a cow' is different from the word 'gauḥ' when it means 'a ^Bahika'. Although the two words happen to have the same sounds. It may be possible to consider, in such cases, that one of the meanings is metaphorical or secondary. But the Nānās'abdavādins hold that, despite any apparent resemblance between the meanings and the identity in phonetic features between the words themselves, they are really different. They explain the apparent similarity between the words themselves and between their meanings as being caused by an erroneous superimposition, which is explained below. '99

According to this school, then, (the word is as many as the meanings as it conveys.) Support is sought for this view from the Vedas too. A Vedic hymn, the S'āmidhenī hymn, for instance, becomes altogether different in identity every time it is repeated, and this is because each time it is repeated it acquires a new meaning. ²⁰⁰ In fact, any hymn when repeated, becomes a different entity. This is because the meaning of the hymn changes at every time of its repetition, the meaning of the hymn relevant for an occasion of recital being its formal meaning. We have had an occasion to notice above that the first meaning of a word, or of a sentence is its form, a meaning which we called the

formal meaning of a word or sentence. Occasions of ^{the} "recitations of hymn call forth the form alone as ~~the~~ ^{its} relevant meaning) ~~of the hymn~~. In other words, a hymn is recited not for the sake of its literature, but for the sake of its form. It fulfils its function on a certain occasion of recital by presenting its form as its meaning. Since every occasion of the hymn calls for its form as a fresh presentation, the relevant meaning of the hymn on that occasion is different from the relevant meaning of the hymn on a previous occasion. 201

Some difficulties.

The view discussed above is not without difficulties and its exponents try to meet some of them. One difficulty is that ^{they} ~~it have~~ to explain the similarity of the two different words (for instance 'file'), as they call them, on the phonetic, structural and other levels. This difficulty is not so impossible for the philosopher of the ^{other} ~~opposing~~ school of thought. He does not hold that the word 'gauh' meaning 'a cow' is different from the word 'gauh' meaning 'a ~~Banika~~'. He considers them as one word, with two meanings; and his problem, thus, reduces itself into having to explain how one word can convey more than one meaning and whether there is any relation ^{ship} among the meanings. But the philosopher who holds that the word

'gauḥ' meaning a cow is different from the word 'gauḥ' meaning 'a Bāhika' has a sterner problem. He has to explain, why, in that case, the words have the same formal existence, or phonetic pattern. Of course, it is easy for him to explain away the difficulty by a suggestion of linguistic coincidence. But the Nānās'abdavādin attempts a more plausible explanation. He postulates the idea of a superimposition on the word-level and explains our experience as a fallacy. The basis of the superimposition is a similarity between the two different words. Thus, the similarity between the word 'gauḥ' meaning 'a cow' and the word 'gauḥ' meaning 'a Bāhika' causes a confusion of the one for the other. It is suggested that the word which conveys the better-known of the two meanings is superimposed on the other. That is, the latter word is taken ^{to be} ~~for~~ the former. ²⁰²

Let us take the example of the word 'gauḥ'. According to the Nānās'abdavādin, there is a word 'gauḥ' meaning 'a cow' and a word 'gauḥ' meaning 'a Bāhika'. Of these two words, the word 'gauḥ' meaning 'a cow' is better known than the word 'gauḥ' with the meaning 'a Bāhika'. When we hear the ^{word} ~~sound~~ 'gauḥ' uttered to mean 'a Bāhika' we have the feeling that it is the same as the word 'gauḥ' meaning 'a cow', prompting us to consider the former of the meanings as a metaphorical derivation

from the latter, and to consider the two words as being the same. This, explains the Nānās'abdavādin, is nothing more than a confusion on our part, which makes us superimpose the word 'gauḥ' with a better-known meaning on the word 'gauḥ' with a less-known meaning. It is a confusion of 'gauḥ' = ^a Bahika for 'gauḥ' = 'a cow', because we are more familiar with the latter equation.

The Nānās'abdavādin thus explains ^{our} experience of the word as being the same as an error and seeks to establish the plurality of the words on the basis of different meanings.

The theory of the same word (Ekas'abdavāda).

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As against the theory discussed above, ^{there} is the conception of the singleness of the word which expresses different meanings conditioned by the context of its use or ^{by} its association with other words. This school does not accept the idea that every instance of a word's conveying a new meaning is an instance of the word becoming a new ^{entity} word. Through ^{out} its career of expressing various meanings, well-known or obscure as the case may be, the identity of the word remains unimpaired. Thus it is the same word 'gauḥ' which conveys the two meanings 'a cow' and 'a Bahika'. ²⁰⁴ But the same word does not convey all its different meanings on every occasion of

its use, because each meaning requires a particular condition, contextual or otherwise to be fulfilled for its operation. ²⁰⁵ The word itself possesses different capacities by the exercise of which it conveys various meanings. ²⁰⁶ The Veda provides ^{us} with a further illustration of this point. The same hymn is sometimes used in reference to a deity, ^{some} at ~~another~~ times in the context of a sacrifice. This is because the hymn possesses different and independent capacities and could be used at any time in the exercise of any one of these without the intervention of the others. ²⁰⁷

Primary and Secondary Meanings of Words.

The questions discussed in the above paragraphs lead us directly to the question of the primary and secondary meanings of words. But it might be noted here that the question is more relevant to the 'theory of the same word' than to the 'theory of different words'. ²⁰⁸ It is still less relevant to what might be called the theory of the indivisible sentence (Akhandavāda). ²⁰⁹ Nevertheless, the exponents of the two latter theories discuss the question from their own special angles.

To the Ekas'abdavādin who hold that it is the same word which possesses ^{and can convey,} more than one meaning by virtue of ~~the exercise~~ of its different powers, ^{the} grading of the meaning as primary and secondary is important, for more than one reason. They have to explain why the word's association with one of the meanings is better known than that with the others; and also the fact derived from this that the other meaning or meanings show signs of relationship with the better-known meaning. Thus, the word 'gauḥ' has a meaning 'a cow' - a very well-known meaning accepted as the ^{First} ~~basic~~ meaning of the word. But it has also a meaning 'a Bāhika'. The theorist who insists that it is the same word which has both meanings has to grade them and explain their gradation for the two reasons given above.

There is also a third reason - and he usually accepts this as his principal reason - for the Ekas'abdavādin having to relate and grade these meanings. That reason is the logical consequence of another tenet which he holds, namely, the ^{inviolability} ~~individuality~~ of the relationship between a word and its meaning (s'abdarthasambandhaśāstrānityata). ²¹⁰ This rule demands the exclusion of more than one primary meaning (mukhyārtha) for a word. For a word to possess two primary meanings independent of each other would imply that its relation ^{ship} with ⁿ either of them was ~~not~~

all
 inviolable. But this relationship is kept intact, if
 the meanings are graded, with one of them enthroned as
 primary and others considered as secondary. In the
 scheme of the concepts of primary and secondary meanings,
 the word-meaning relation is not violated even in the
 use of the word to convey the secondary meanings. This
 is because, firstly the secondary meaning is related
 to the primary meaning and secondly, all meanings of a
 word ^{are} ~~=~~ expressions of the various powers of the same
 word, an idea to which we had occasion to refer before.
 The meaning 'a *Bahika*' of the word 'gauh' is thus
 related to its meaning 'a cow' because of certain
 identical characteristics of the person and the cow, ²¹²
 and because the word 'gauh' possesses the capacities to ²¹³
 convey both meanings. ²¹⁴

The Nānās'abdavādins and the Primary-Secondary conception.

^{does}
 How the primary-secondary conception of word-
 meaning apply ~~=~~ and become relevant to the Nānās'abdavādins?
 If they hold that the word 'gauh' meaning 'a cow' is
 different in identity from the word 'gauh' meaning 'a
Bahika', where, then is the need ^{or the} and relevance, for them,
 to relate the two meanings as primary and secondary? A
 grading of two meanings as primary and secondary is
 possible ^{and necessary} only if there is a ^{connection} ~~relation~~ between them as ^{their}

respective relationships

~~constituting an difference between their association~~
with the word which conveys them. In other words, we cannot say that 'a cow' and 'gāhika' are primary and secondary meanings if they are, as the Nānās'abdavādins hold, meanings of two different words. To say that one of the two meanings is secondary in relation to another requires that both are meanings of the same word.

Although, thus, the problem of primary and secondary meanings does not logically arise out of the Nānās'abdavādin's position, nevertheless he does raise and discuss it as a sort of allied problem. He recognises that the two meanings 'a cow' and 'a Gāhika' are usually considered to be meanings of the same word 'gauḥ', but explains it as being due to a confusion. ^{Nānās'abdavādin} What happens, according to the ~~the~~, is that a confusion and superimposition takes place on the word-level. 213a

The Akhaṇḍa school (the school which upholds the
doctrines of ^{the} indivisible sentence) and the problem of
primary and secondary meanings.

The problem is also impossible from the point of view of the Akhaṇḍa-school, of whose teachers, Bhartṛhari is an important one. We have noted that this school of thought does not recognise complete and independent words in a sentence, as is evident from their very

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 designation. And when they do not recognize word-entities in a sentence, all study of words, grammatical, semantic or otherwise in the context of a sentence is only a matter of relative importance to them. The question of a word conveying a certain meaning whether primary or secondary in the sentence is ^{on the speech-level,} meaningless to them as their position is that a total sentence conveys a total meaning. The demarcation of the separate meanings of separate words in this totality is wrong and misleading and, when it is adopted, is only of relative value and significance.

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 Let us take the sentence 'gaurbāhika' (The Bāhika is a cow) and explain this point with reference to that. According to the view that words are separate and separable in a sentence, the word 'gauh' has to be given a metaphorical meaning (upacaritārtha) because, otherwise, the sentence will be absurd, and will result in the co-relation and also common relation to the verb, of incompatible subjects. To explain the point, if the word 'gauh' means its ordinary meaning, namely 'a cow', then the sentence will mean 'a cow' is a Bāhika in the real sense - an obviously impossible statement. Therefore, the word 'gauh' is ascribed a metaphorical

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 meaning. ~~==~~ The exponents of the doctrine of the indivisible sentence, on the other hand, consider that the total sentence 'gaurbāhika' conveys a total meaning, namely, 'a Bāhika specified ^{or} (qualified) by the attributes of the cow'. This concept rules out the word and word-meaning_k as real elements in a sentence. Hence in the absence of any delimitable word or word-meaning in the sentence, the question of a word being secondary or primary by virtue of its relation with another word in the sentence is impossible. How can a non-existent word have any relation with another non-existent word? ²¹⁶ But this does not mean that the Akhanda school completely rules out every possibility of a consideration of word-meanings as primary and secondary. The Akhanda school accepts and uses the concept; but it places it in its proper limits. Since, according to this school, the word and meaning of the word are of relative reality and are products of an analysis of the sentence_k due to ^{the} necessities of teaching and the like, classification of word-meanings as primary and secondary also has only that degree of reality. The concept of primary and secondary meaning follows the derivation of the entities of word and word-meanings by an analysis of the sentence. ²¹⁷

Primary-Secondary classification of meaning viewed from another angle.

If meaning is always conceptual, how can it possibly be classified as primary ^{and secondary?} If the mental perception of the object precedes the use of a word to denote it, then that being the same in every case of the use of words there is no question of one meaning being dependent on another. When the word 'gauh' conveys the meaning 'a Bahika', the mind of the speaker fixes itself on the object to be denoted just in the same way as it does when the word is used to denote the object 'a cow'. That being so where is the justification in considering one of the meanings as primary, and relegating the other to the status of the secondary? In fact, it is not justifiable even when two meanings entirely contrary to each other are conveyed. Even then the word is functioning in a primary capacity in either of the cases. 218

Bhartrhari answers to this argument that, being based on mental perceptions, it is faulty, because perceptions ^{is} are no reliable guide in these matters. Identity of perception does not necessarily argue ^{the} identity of the perceived. A roll of rope and a coil of serpent are perceived alike in twilight; mirage and water follow the same pattern. A mountain and its picture on a canvas might produce the same kind of perception. We can touch a real circle of five; but nobody can touch that illusory

circle of fire produced by a revolving ^{ember.} ~~spark~~ Yet the mental images of the two - the real and the illusory circles-are alike. The castles and fortresses, palaces and mansions we see in a real city and in a magic city are not really of the same degree of reality even though they produce the same mental images. A dose of poison bought from a chemist's can kill us; but a dose of dream-poison has not killed anyone (unless due to sheer fright from a nightmare), although our mind can perceive both in the same way. ²¹⁹

On the normal level of experience the picture of the mountain is not mistaken, nor is it treated as the mountain. Nor are the poison in the dream, the illusory fire-circle, or mansions, etc., in the magic city, taken for real poison, real fire-circle or real mansions, etc. If we start to argue that these pairs of perceived objects must be 'the same because' of the sameness of the perceptions they can produce, we are obviously wrong. In fact, where it is experienced that they are the same, as in the case of the child's seeing a roll of rope as a snake, we classify the experience as an error.

To connect the arguments given above to the problem of ^{The} primary and ^{the} ~~the~~ secondary meanings of words: There may be a mental perception behind each of the use of the word 'gaun' to mean 'a cow' and 'a Bāhika'. But that is not

sufficient to make the meanings conveyed as being of the same grade in attributes like importance and popularity which are at the base of their classification into primary and secondary. In fact, this is recognised by verbal usage itself, as is shown by the well-known dictum that 'language is for use about ordinary and rational experience'. Perceptual identity leads to mistaken identification of the perceived in erroneous experience. But in correct and rational experience, differences in the degree of significance of meanings are perceived although there may be mental perceptions of the same kind produced. And words are for use in rational experience. 220

Definitions of primary and secondary meanings

After discussing thus the possibility of a primary-secondary classification of ^{the meanings of words} ~~words~~, Bhartrhari presents the various views defining them. Some thinkers consider that the basis of the distinction between primary and secondary meaning is that the primary meaning is well-known as the meaning of the word, while the secondary meaning is not. Thus, the meaning 'a cow' of the word 'gauḥ' is primary and the meaning 'a Bāhika' is secondary because the former meaning of the word is well-known, while the latter is not. 221 This view is held by ^{the} ~~Ekas'~~ Ekas'ābdavādins, as can be gathered from the explanation given above, since they consider that both are meanings of the same word.

A meaning conveyed through the aid of factors like context, another word, etc., is considered ^{by some} as secondary. ²²² The primary meaning is the one conveyed by the word when uttered as an isolate. This meaning needs only the form of the word for its being conveyed (rupamātranibandhanah). A word, which conveys a meaning as if by effort (yatnādīva) through the aid of contextual factors, is conveying a secondary meaning and the word itself is not well-known (aprasiddha) as having that meaning. The word is well-known (prasiddha) as having a certain meaning, if the word, as an isolate, and without any effort, so to speak, conveys that meaning. Such a meaning is the primary meaning of the word. ²²³

Another factor on which ^{the following is} ~~primaryness~~ and the primary-
^{classification} ~~secondaryness~~ of meaning is based is the difference between their possession of the characteristic attributes of the thing meant by the word. If we take the word 'gauḥ' as an example, the meaning 'a cow' is its primary meaning while the meaning 'a Bāhika' is a secondary meaning. This is because compared with a Bāhika the cow possesses more of the attributes associated with the class ^{of} cows - A Bāhika is a cow only because he possesses some of the attributes of the cow such as dull-ness,

heaviness, etc. But he cannot, obviously, compete with the cow in the possession of all the attributes associated with the class cow. Bhartrhari rejects this view on the ground that it is not a reliable basis. We find, he says, that in some places a word is considered to convey the better-known of its two (or many) meanings, because that meaning covers the largest number of the qualities associated with the class of which the word is the name. In some other places, the meaning which encompasses the fewest number of the class-qualities associated with the word is considered to be the primary one. ²²⁴ Classifying meanings as primary and secondary is not a democratic matter; and numbers are not the ruling gods in it.

Some thinkers hold that similarity between the primary and secondary meanings is the reason why the same word is used for both. ²²⁵ Thus the word 'gauḥ' is used to mean 'a Gauḥika' since ~~the~~ ^{Bāhika} the latter possesses some of the qualities of the cow, although he does not, of course, possess the class-attribute of the cow, namely 'cowness'. A word is primarily a class-word (jātiśabda) ²²⁶ and when it is used to mean something which possesses the class-attribute (jāti), it is used primarily, and its meaning then is its primary meaning. For example, the use of the word 'gauḥ' to mean 'a cow' is the primary use of the word since the cow possesses 'cowness' (gotva) the class-

attribute. But when it is used to mean 'a Bāhika' it is a secondary usage, and it is secondary because the object meant by the word possesses some of the attributes of the cow, while it does not possess the basic mark of the latter, namely, its class-attribute.

Confusion or error (viparyāsa) also can be the basis of primary-secondary classification of meanings. The first stage of this error consists in wrongly identifying the object denoted by the word 'Bāhika' namely 'a Bāhika' with the object denoted by the word 'gauḥ' namely 'a cow'. This error on the object-level is then followed by a use of the word 'gauḥ' to mean 'a Bāhika'. 227

The classification of meaning into primary and secondary is approached from yet another angle by some thinkers. They take the factors of form and power of the word into consideration and base primary-secondary distinction of meaning on them. According to this view, a word which is competent to convey a certain meaning by virtue of its form and power ~~also~~ ^{also} can convey another meaning with the aid of a different power. 228

This is possible since a word possesses several powers. A sword, the function of which is for warfare by virtue of its form and power ^{is} ~~also~~ sometimes is used for other

✓ purposes like cutting a twig. Although its function ~~is~~ of being used for fighting is fixed, its shape makes its use for these other purposes possible. 229

How then, it might be asked, are two meanings of a word classified as primary and secondary, if both meanings are expressions of the ~~same~~ ^{different} form and ^{of the same word} powers. The distinction is one of the manner in which the meaning is conveyed. If ^a meaning is spontaneously conveyed when the word is uttered as an isolate, that is, purely through its form and power, that meaning is its primary meaning. But if ^a meaning has to be established by reference to factors like context, that is the secondary meaning of the word. 230

A criticism of the above views.

In our discussion of the above views we have stated Bhartrhari's own criticism, acceptance or rejection of some of them wherever and whenever such existed. But in some places he seems to have been satisfied with just stating the view, whether it is an opponent's or a supporter's. Where, thus, we are lacking ⁱⁿ Bhartrhari's own criticism of the view, we have his commentator Panyarāja stepping in and supplying the need. We shall now

make a comprehensive criticism of these views as made by Bhartṛhari ^{or} and Puṇyārāja.

Puṇyārāja summarises these views into seven groups: ^{23/} (1) Factors like context, verbal or non-verbal. (2) Factors like context aided by the currency (prasiddhi) or otherwise of the word ⁱⁿ with a meaning. In this association, the factors like context will be principal partners. (3) The same association with ^{the} degree of prominence reversed. In this case, the currency or otherwise of the word in relation to a meaning is principal and the contextual factors subsidiary. (4) Difference in the number of attributes possessed by the object meant primarily and secondarily. (5) Similarity between objects. (6) Confusion or error. (7). Form and power of the word.

Puṇyārāja criticises and rejects views nos. (3) and (4) and accepts the rest. The criticism, against the view that factors like context can, unaided, differentiate between primary and secondary meanings is that in some cases it is found that they do not perform that function. In the case of the two words 'purā' (in the past, or in the future) and 'ārāḍ' (far, or near) context and the like which are used in determining the meanings of these words do not also establish them as being

primary~~ness~~ or secondary~~ness~~. This is because both of these meanings (in the past, in the future) that the word 'purā' possesses are equally primary; similarly both of the meanings (far, near) that the word 'arad' possesses are equally primary. Thus, in the case of either word ^{as being the meaning of the word there, as being its,} a context can establish this or that of the two meanings, but it cannot establish that either of the meanings is secondary. We find thus that these factors like context are not conclusive^{as} bases without exception for the establishment of primary^{status} or secondary²³² of meaning.

The next theory to be criticised is the similarity-theory. ²³² It is also not a conclusive theory as it does not work in such examples as the sentence 'Kās'yapapratikṛtiḥ | Kās'yapaḥ' (Kās'yapa is Kās'yapa's image). Although there is unquestionable similarity between what the two words 'Kās'yapa' in the sentence mean, it is wrong to say that one of them conveys a secondary meaning, as, for ^{it does in the particular} instance, ²³³ the sentence 'Kās'yapa is a lion'. The similarity theory thus stands discredited.

We thus come, through this process of elimination to Puṇyārāja's acceptance of the remaining four views. They are (1) factors like contexts, etc., working in association with the currency or otherwise of the word with a certain meaning. In this association context, etc., will

be the principal element^e or (2) Currency or otherwise functioning in association with context, etc., with the former as ^{the} principal partner in the association or (3) Error ^{or confusion} or (4) form and power of the word. ²³⁴ We have discussed these points above.

The Primary Meaning and the Incidental Meaning which is inseparably associated with it (mukhyārtha and nāntariyakārtha).

Among the ideas which a word conveys in a context, there may be some which are intended and therefore are primary and some which are not intended, but are conveyed because they are inseparably connected with the primary idea. If we light a lamp to reveal a wall, it cannot but reveal the picture hanging from the wall. Yet we have not lighted the lamp to see the picture. Our ²³⁵ purpose in doing so is to see the wall. Again, if we rub two pieces of wood together, it produces not only fire but also smoke although our purpose is only to produce ²³⁶ fire. In the same way, if a word like 'pakāḥ' is employed so that it conveys the root-meaning, namely the completed action of cooking, it does not stop there but conveys also the ideas of singular gender and masculine number ²³⁷ due to the operation of the ending. Where the meaning

of a word is a composite of various ideas and the word is used to convey one of them, it conveys the others also incidentally. Like the drops of blood in Shylock's pound of flesh, the incidental and in a sense ^{the} unwanted idea also must come on the scene along with the main idea which is wanted. The word functions as a unity of its various powers, and the result of its function in any context is the expression of the many ideas of which its total meaning is the composite. Thus, we cannot conceive of a word functioning merely to express the meaning of its root, and keep ^{ing} the ideas symbolised by the ending out of the picture. We can ^{root-} safely say that the ^{is} meaning ~~of~~ the main idea of the word in such and such a context and the ideas of number, gender and the like for which the ending stands are incidental.

How are we to consider one of the several ideas the word conveys in a context as its main meaning there? What is the criterion of that judgement? The answer given is that it is the intention of the speaker which places one of the meanings apart as the main meaning. ²³⁸ The remaining ones are incidental, because they do not constitute the purpose for which the word operates. The fact that it is the same word which conveys the main and

incidental ideas cannot argue to give them the main status. Irrelevance is not a crime; but it is also no argument for prominence. The uninvited guest may remain; but he should not ask for a place at the head table.

The Primary and Incidental Meanings -
Their mutual relationship.

We shall now discuss the mode in which the primary and incidental ideas in a word operate in a context and the relation between them in such ^a context. ^h This relation is not always the same. Bhartṛhari classifies the possible relationship between the primary and incidental meanings into four ²³⁹ groups. They may be stated as follows. (1) In the case of some words it is impossible to classify the ideas they represent as primary and secondary (incidental). (2) Sometimes, even though the incidental ideas in a word are conveyed in a context, the understanding of these ideas is not necessary for the understanding of the meaning of the word, that is, the intention of the speaker. ~~there~~. This is because the word is used to convey a main idea. (3) In some contexts the idea which the word normally has is not the one required; the required idea is something for which the ordinary one is a pointed or a representative.

(4) Sometimes the main idea acts as instrumental ⁶ for an incidental idea to be conveyed.

As an illustration for number (1) we can take the word 'divyati' (He ~~for~~ ~~the~~ plays dice). Now, this word being a verb, the idea of the action is the principal one in it and the idea of the subject is incidental (or subsidiary). But it is also possible to paraphrase the word making the idea of the subject as the principal one and the idea of action as subsidiary. In any context of its use, the word is capable of being paraphrased in both ways which makes it meaningless to label any one of the two ideas as primary or subsidiary in a permanent sense. ²⁴⁰

(2) We shall now illustrate the word ^{the} for ~~whose~~ use of which ^(or incidental) the subsidiary ideas do not form an operative cause and have not any share in the purposing of the use of the word. In such cases, the word's power to convey the subsidiary ideas is there; and they are expressed too due to their inseparable association with the main idea. But the subsidiary ideas themselves have no relevance in the area of the meaning of the word. The word is used simply to convey a main idea. ²⁴¹ The word 'pākaṇ' which we have discussed above is an example for this kind of relationship between the main and subsidiary ideas in a word. We have shown there that the meaning of the

word is only the meaning of the root and the meanings of the ending, namely, the ideas of gender and number ^{are} is not operative. The word 'Premier' can serve as another illustration of the point under discussion.

The Prime Minister is at once a Minister of the crown and the first Minister of the crown. And we can think of the use of the word in certain contexts where the idea of his being a Minister is not operative and the operative idea is his headship of the council of Ministers. Such a context is provided when the word is used for a gentleman who holds no Ministerial portfolio, but confines himself entirely to his duties as Head of the Council of Ministers. When used in this way, the operative meaning, the meaning for which the word is used (prayojakārtha) is his being the Prime Minister, although the idea of his being a Minister is also conveyed, the two ideas being inseparable (nāntariyaka). This feature of the word will become clearer if its use in a special context is examined. For example, let us take the sentence 'The Premier successfully supervises the work of his Cabinet'. Obviously, the Premier's being at the head of the Cabinet is the idea conveyed by the word in the context, although his being a Minister or member of the Cabinet is also

conveyed, the two ideas clinging together. But the purpose for which the word is used is to convey the idea of his primacy among Ministers.

(3). In the third kind of relationship of primary and subsidiary meanings we are discussing, the normal meaning of the word is subsidiary because it is not the intended meaning in the context. The intended meaning is something else ~~for~~ which the normal meaning is a pointer. Bhartṛhari gives an example from Pāṇini's Sūtras, ^{242 in which} ~~where~~ the term half-a-short-vowel (ardhahrasvam) is used, to mean half-a-mātra, which makes the expression applicable to long and prolonged vowels as well. The word 'hrasva' in the expression '~~short vowel~~' 'ardhahrasvam' is used figuratively for the idea of a mātra which makes the expression applicable to all three kinds of vowels. It might also be noted here that the expression 'ardhahrasvam' in the Sūtra has been explained in three more different ways, all these four explanations converging towards the same point of establishing that its meaning is not what it normally has, but that it has a figurative sense. To summarise this paragraph, sometimes, a word is used in such a way as to make its normal meaning a secondary and irrelevant one and give it a different meaning.

(4). In the fourth kind of relationship of the primary and

subsidiary meanings, the former, besides being conveyed, also implies the latter. We might take as an example the statement 'gantavyam drs'yatām sūrya' (we must go, look at the sun).²⁴³ In this, the words 'drs'yatām sūrya' (Look at the sun) convey^{that} the idea 'only a small fraction of the day is left', through its principal meaning, namely the suggestion to look at the sun. The principal meaning hints at the subsidiary meaning. The words we hear make us look at the sun, which ^{action} ~~constitutes~~ ^{caused by} their principal meaning, which then leads us to the subsidiary idea.

Panyarāja summarises this idea in the phrase 'the word conveying by implication another meaning without giving up its own primary meaning'.²⁴⁴ This primary meaning, it need not be re-stated here, is the non-metaphorical meaning of the word, for instance the meaning 'cow' of the word 'gaṇḍ'.

Another example also might be given here. Let us take the sentence '(kākebhyo rakṣyatām sarpiḥ)' (Protect the clarified butter from the crows).²⁴⁵ In this sentence the word 'kākebhyah' (from the crow) obviously means the particular birds and the obvious meaning of the sentence is 'protect the clarified butter from the particular birds' - but this obvious meaning leads by implication to the meaning 'Protect the clarified butter from any creature

which tries to steal it'.

Sometimes the ideas implied in the primary meaning of the words will be part of the primary meaning itself. For instance, if an instruction is given 'bhojanam asya upapadyatam' (Offer him food) the primary meaning of the sentence is obvious; and included in the primary meaning of offering food are such subsidiary ideas of giving the man a seat, as well as water to wash his hands and such other ideas associated with the act of offering food. There is nothing in the words 'Offer food' which can be taken as directly mentioning these ideas. These ideas are implied in the main idea of 'offering food' which is the primary meaning of the words. ²⁴⁶

Factors which help in the determination of meaning.

A word or words can, thus, convey in a context a primary, secondary or incidental meaning. This makes it necessary to consider the factors and conditions which help to determine one or the other of the three ^{kinds of} meanings of a word as being the meaning intended by the speaker. It is not, of course, suggested that every word is capable of conveying a primary, secondary or incidental meaning. Our study is about such words as are capable of conveying different meanings in their appropriate contexts.

The essential point to be remembered here is that the meaning or a list of meanings which lexicographers associate with a word do not always exhaust the potentialities of the word in actual use. There is that living and powerful factor namely, the speaker whose intention is a creative force which can convert a word into a vehicle of a large variety of ideas not always listed by the lexicographer. Even among those meanings of a word recorded in dictionaries, ~~their~~ classifications are possible, as we have seen, into such groups as primary and secondary. The possibilities or capacities of words in the field of usage being such, it becomes necessary to determine what they mean when they are used. Determination of the meaning of a word consists in determining the intention of the speaker; and the intention of the speaker is determined from contextual factors.

What are the contextual factors ? Two different lists of such factors are presented in the Vākyapadīya. The two lists have a few factors in common. We shall first state and then discuss one by one the factors ^{given} listed in the two lists. The first list gives the following six factors which can constitute the context in which meaning is determined. They are :- (1) Syntactical connection.

(2) ~~The~~ Situation-context (3) meaning of another word.
 (4) Appropriateness. (5) Place. (6) Time. The second
 list gives the following as factors:- ²⁴⁻⁸ (1) Association.
 (2) Dissociation. (3) Companionship. (4) Hostility.
 (5) meaning of an adjoining word. (6) Situation-context.
 (7) Evidence from another sentence. (8) ~~The~~ Proximity of
 another word. In giving the lists above, it is realised
 that the factors as listed are not self-explanatory.
 They are there intended only to be pointers to their
 detailed discussion which follows. We shall now discuss
 the factors given in the two lists.

LIST 1.

(1) Syntactical Connection. Sometimes the syntactical
 connection of words in a sentence helps to determine a
 word in it as ^{being} a noun, a verb, etc., and establish its
 relation with the rest of the sentence. Let us take for
 example a sentence from Sanskrit 'kaṭam karoti bhīṣma
 udaram d'arsanīyam' (He makes a cremation ground,
 fierce, grand and beautiful). We decide which is the
 object of the verb in the sentence and which the words are
 which qualify the object by testing with the ^{syntactical} rules that
 govern sentences. Thus we decide that the word 'kaṭam'
 (cremation) is the object of the verb 'karoti' (He makes)
 ground

and that, among the triad of possible qualifying words, namely 'bhiṣmaṃ' (fierce), 'udāraṃ' (grand) and 'dars'aniyaṃ' (beautiful) only the first is qualified to ^{function as} ~~be~~ a qualifier. How do we decide these two points?

The word 'kaṭaṃ' (cremation-ground) is the name of a concrete object and it is the only name of a concrete object in the utterance we are examining. That being so and since it is also in the accusative case it should be the object of the verb 'karoti' (makes), with which it is in ^a syntactical connection. None of the other three words, namely, 'bhiṣmaṃ' (fierce) 'udāraṃ' (grand) and 'dars'aniyaṃ' (beautiful) can be the object of the verb, since they are names of qualities and therefore can only be qualifying words. Now these words being qualifying words and in the accusative, any one, two or all of them ^{can} ~~should~~ qualify the noun which is the name of an object, since they are also in the same case as the noun, and are in the same sentence ^{as} with it. At this stage a factor of semantic appropriateness, namely, that a cremation-ground can neither be grand nor beautiful decides the elimination of the two words 'udāraṃ' and 'dars'aniyaṃ' ^{being ~~too~~ ~~improper~~} ~~as~~ ^{proper} to qualify the word 'kaṭaṃ'. We are left with the word 'bhiṣmaṃ' to qualify the word, and from the group of words we examine, we delimit the sentence as 'kaṭaṃ

bhīṣmaṁ karoti' (He makes a fierce cremation-ground). 249

(2) Situation - Context (prakaraṇam). What is situation-context ? This term is a rendering of the Sanskrit term 'prakaraṇam' which Puṇyārāja amplifies as 'as'abdam prakaraṇam' (non-verbal context). By it is meant the particular situation in which an utterance is made, the knowledge of the situation helping the determination of the meanings of ^{the} words used if there is ambiguity about them.

To take an example, if a statement 'saindhavam anaya' is made, it is difficult to decide the meaning of the statement without knowing the situation in which it is made. Whether response to that statement is to bring some salt or a horse depends on that knowledge, for the word 'saindhavam' can mean either. If the statement is made, while the speaker is taking a meal, then obviously it is salt which is meant. If, on the other hand, it is made in the context of making the preparations for a journey, then bringing a horse will be the appropriate response. ²⁵⁰

It is not, however, improbable that a man having a meal asks for his horse ^s to be brought from the stable, in readiness for a journey to follow the meal. Even then it becomes obvious that the word 'saindhavam' is used to mean

a horse because the impending journey provides a context for it. So far as the use of the word is concerned, the speaker's taking a meal does not operate as a context. But in a situation where eating forms the undisputed context, the word 'saindhavam' when uttered will mean salt to the exclusion of the idea of horse. Similarly it is not improbable that a person about to make a journey takes a packet of salt with him and asks for it. But where he does mean salt, the context will help the word convey the correct meaning. For instance, if he is packing, 'saindhavam' can mean salt. But ruling out such possibilities, the context of a journey is more appropriate for the idea of 'a horse' being conveyed by the word 'saindhavam'. A knowledge of the situation-context is thus essential to determine the meaning of a word.

(5) The meaning of another word. As different from situation-context, we ^{can have} ~~have~~ a verbal context helping to determine the meaning of a word. Thus the meanings of other words in the sentence can function as ^a ~~a~~ factor in the determination of meaning, we have ^{below} ~~have~~ three sentences in which the same word is used and the meaning of this word in each of the sentences is different from what it means in the others. The different meaning of the word

in each sentence is determined through the meaning of the other word or ^{the meanings of the other} words in each sentence. The following are the sentences : (1) añjalinā juhōti (He makes an offering with his hands). (2) añjalinā sūryaṁ upasevate (He worships ^{the sun} ~~the sun~~ with his hands) (3) añjalinā pūrṇapātram āharati (He carries the filled pot with his hands). Now in each of these sentences the word 'añjali' is used. And we have, roughly, as an approximation common to all the three meanings, translated the word here as 'hands'. But the word means a different thing in each of the sentence. In the first sentence it means the hollow of the hands, as oblations are made with the hollow of the hand; in the second sentence it means the hands folded in prayer, as that idea suits the following words in the sentence; in the third sentence, it means the hands held together in order to hold a pot. ²⁵¹

(4) Appropriateness.

(1) The next contextual factor examined is appropriateness. Let us take an example in order to explain what kind of appropriateness is meant. Suppose some one utters the word 'siraṇa' ^{with} (a plough). How do we get the meaning of his utterance ; the idea which he wants to convey through the one word? We saw above that such one-word-utterances are really sentences. ²⁵² What is

the intention of the speaker, or the meaning of his utterance (s'abdartha) in the context. In deciding this, the appropriateness of the plough for the action of ploughing acts as an instrumental factor. When we hear the word uttered, ^{we} complete the utterance with the word ^{'vikkkhati'} ^{He turns} ~~'bhavati'~~ ^{up the soil} (turns up the soil). We use that verb, ~~and none other~~, because the object mentioned is appropriate for this action. This appropriateness of the object for a particular action creates a context for the word. The context being created like this, we get at the intention of the speaker. It might be asked how the factor of appropriateness is different from the factor of the proximity of another word discussed in the previous paragraph. There is, in fact, little difference. ²⁵³ ~~Punyarāja~~ gives two more illustrations to explain this kind of a context.

(5). Location. Suppose someone says 'I come from a city north east of Madhura', how can the listener know which city the speaker means, or what the meaning of the word 'city' is in the context? The reference of the word city in the context is to a particular place which satisfies the definition. In other words, the meaning of the word 'city' in the sentence given above is a 'specific city'. Therefore trying to find out the meaning

of the word in the context, is trying to find out which city is meant there. In the examination of that point 'location' plays a deciding factor.

(6) Time. Time sometimes helps to determine meaning. Thus the word 'dvāram' (the door) if uttered in summer will have a significance different from what it has if uttered in winter. If uttered in summer, the listener will mentally associate the word with the word 'udghāṭaya' (open); but if it is uttered in winter, it will be associated with the word 'pidheṇi' (close). Time functions, thus, as the factor which helps in the determination of the one-word utterance 'dvāram' (which it might be ^{stated} ~~repeated~~ ^{incidentally} ~~incidentally~~, is a ^{one-} ~~word-~~ sentence).²⁵⁴

LIST 2.²⁵⁵

After presenting thus his own list of factors which determine meaning, Bhartrhari gives an alternative list compiled by others. The following are the factors which this list presents. (1) Association. (2) Dissociation. (3). Companionship. (4) Hostility; (5) Meaning. (6) Situation-Context. (7) Evidence from another sentence. (8). Proximity of another word. We shall discuss these topics one by one.

(1) Association. As an example let us take the sentence 'savatsā dhenuṁ ānaya' (Bring the animal with the calf). The problem is which animal the word 'dhenu' means, as in Sanskrit the word can mean the female of any animal species. Now the limitation of the meaning of the word to a cow is done by the presence of the word 'vatsā' (calf) in the sentence. Since the word 'vatsā' means a calf, and since the logical association of a calf is with the cow, the listener of the sentence concludes that the word 'dhenu' in the sentence is used to mean 'a cow'. The factor which decides this, according to this view, is the association of the calf with the cow. But it might be asked here whether we should import ^a factual association to explain a linguistic context. Cannot we use a linguistic factor to explain this linguistic context? The fact that there is the word 'savatsā' in the sentence is sufficient to interpret the word 'dhenu' as meaning 'a cow'. But even then, it is the fact that a calf is associated with a cow and not a mare, which makes it possible for us to interpret the word 'dhenu' in the sentence because of the presence of the word 'vatsā' (calf). It is, thus, clear that factual association does help in the interpretation of the word.

It has also to be stated here, ^{that,} according to the view that the word 'dhenū' is a rūḍhi-word, that is, a word which conveys a conventionally fixed meaning, it does not need to be interpreted at all to convey the meaning 'a cow'. The word does mean a cow, by convention. Although the word 'dhenū' can mean the female of any species, convention of use has narrowed down the semantic province of the word. ²⁵⁶

(2) Dissociation. A factual association can also function negatively in the form of a factual dissociation as a basis of interpretation. Take the sentence 'avatsā dhenurānīyatām' (Bring the animal without the calf). The ^{instruction} ~~injunction~~ is to bring a certain animal in dissociation from a calf; and logical compatibility insists that the animal must be a cow. We do not usually say 'Bring the mare without the cow-calf' or 'Bring the she-elephant without the cow-calf'. ²⁵⁷

(3) Companionship.

(3) We now pass on to the third factor in the list, companionship. Puṇyarāja gives, as an example, the expression 'Rāma Lakṣmaṇau' (Rāma and Lakṣmaṇa). In deciding which of the three Rāmas—Parasurāma, Balarāma or Dāśarathirāma—is intended in the expression, the fact that Rāma the son

of Dasaratha always keeps company with his brother Lakṣmaṇa functions as the basis. The Rāma mentioned together ~~with~~ with Lakṣmaṇa must be the Rāma of whose constant companion Lakṣmaṇa is. ²⁵⁸

(4). Hostility. For example in deciding the meaning of the word 'Rāma' in the compound 'Rāmārjunau' (Rāma and Arjuna) we are guided by the fact that in the Purāṇas Paras'urāma is depicted as being hostile to Arjuna, the son of Kṛtavīrya. Any mention^{ing} together of a Rāma and Arjuna would ^{also be,} therefore, be a reference to the hostility which existed between these personalities. It becomes clear that ^{that} thus the Rāma mentioned along with Arjuna is Paras'urāma eternally hostile to Arjuna. ²⁵⁹

(5). The meaning of another word. This point was discussed and illustrated in the previous list. ²⁶⁰

(6) Situation-Context. Also discussed above. ²⁶¹

(7) The evidence of another sentence (Linga). We might take the injunction 'aktāḥ s'arkarā upadadhāti' (place anointed candy). The sentence does not say with what substance the candy is to be anointed, which means that the meaning of the word 'aktāḥ' and through it ^{that} of the injunction is not definite. We decide with what

substance the candy is to be anointed from the evidence of another sentence 'Tejo vai ghṛtaṃ (Ghee is ^{splendour} ~~clear~~). From this, a praise of ghee, the conclusion is ^{arrived at} ~~made~~ that the candy is to be anointed with ghee. ²⁶²

(3). The proximity of another word. For example, the meaning of the word 'Arjuna' in 'Arjunah Kārtavīryah' (Arjuna the son of Krtavīrya) is decided from the presence of the word 'Kārtavīrya' near it. That makes the word mean a particular 'Arjuna' rather than others, like the Arjuna among the Pāṇḍavas. Similarly, ⁱⁿ the example 'Rāma Jāmadagnyah' (Rāma, the son of Jamadagni), on the basis of the presence of the word 'Jāmadagnya', the word 'Rāma' ~~in the context~~ is taken to mean 'Rāma' the son of Jamadagni, rather than Rāma the son of Daśaratha or Rāma, the brother of Kṛṣṇa.

Before concluding our discussion of the place of ^{situation} factors like topic-context in the determination of the meaning of a word, we might consider the angle from which the two schools of thought, the Ekas'abdavādin and the Nanās'abdavādin approach the necessity and function of these factors. We have seen that the ^{latter} ~~former~~ holds the view that it is wrong to consider that one and the same word conveys more than one meaning. According to them ^{it} the word 'gauḥ' ^{which} ~~when it~~ conveys the meaning 'a cow' is

different from the word 'gauḥ' which conveys the meaning 'a Bāhika'. The function of factors like situation-context is to show which of the two words is used in a context and this function is essential as two different words with different meanings happen to have the same form. On the other hand, to the ^{former} school which holds that the word 'gauḥ' is the same whatever meaning it conveys, these factors function to show which of the meanings of the word operates in a certain context. We stated above that this school of thought holds that the word 'gauḥ' conveys the meaning 'a cow' by virtue of one of its powers while it conveys the meaning 'a Bāhika' by virtue of another power.

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Another point to be discussed here is a different view held by some thinkers regarding the function of factors like situation-context. They hold that the function of these factors is not to show what meaning a word conveys in a context, but rather to show that the word possesses the capacity (samarthyā) to convey such and such a meaning. Knowing this capacity possessed by the word, we know what the meaning of the word is in a context. Thus, the factor which functions to show what the meaning of the word is in a context is the capacity (samarthyā) of ^{the} word - a capacity inherent in the word itself.

According to this view, thus, samarthya is a sort of super-factor in the determination of meaning.²⁶⁴

The problem of the proper name.

Arising out of the problem whether a sentence functions as a divisible unit in conveying its meaning, is the problem whether the word allows itself to be divided in conveying its meaning. It was stated elsewhere that a word conveys its meaning as a unit, although elements like ^{the} root and ^{the} suffix are discernible in it. But any analytical consideration of the functioning of the word, as such and such a part of the word-meaning is the meaning of the root and such and such a part is the meaning of the suffix, is only of interest when we explain the word. When the word functions, it does so as a unit to convey a unitary meaning.²⁶⁵ In the case of proper names, the idea is specially applicable. A proper name like 'Devadatta' which is apparently made of two parts 'deva' and 'datta' does not function in terms of these parts. The meaning of the word is not a sum of the meanings of the parts 'deva' (god) and 'datta' (given) (i.e. given by ~~the~~ ^{the} god), but it is a total meaning, namely, ^{particular} a person.²⁶⁶

Here, another point has to be considered. We sometimes see that for a proper name like 'Devadatta'

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an abbreviated form like 'Deva' or 'Datta' is used. If parts have nothing to do with the meaning of the word, how is this possible? The Grammarian's answer is that these bits 'Deva' and 'D^datta' are not parts of the word 'Devadatta'; this is because the word is functionally and structurally a single unit. ^{267a} In this respect the bit 'D^deva' is not different from the letters 'de', 'va', 'da' or 'tta' of the word 'Devadatta'. But there is one difference between the bit 'D^deva' and the bit 'de' (for instance) in regard to the total word. The bit 'D^deva' appears as a meaningful part of the word, while nobody considers 'de' as a meaningful part. ²⁶⁸ Convention has also fixed that 'Deva' and 'Datta' thus appearing to be meaningful parts of the proper name 'Devadatta', are, themselves proper names which can individually convey the meaning of the total word 'Devadatta'. The same convention has also fixed that out of more than one meaning that the word 'Datta' or the word 'deva' has, the meaning ^{as an abbreviation is} it will convey χ its personal meaning ~~as its sense~~. To explain the point, the word 'deva' can mean 'a god' in general or a particular person when it is a proper name. The word having these two meanings, convention has fixed ^{Devadatta} it that it will mean the personal meaning when it occurs as an abbreviation for 'Devadatta'. If someone uses the

word 'deva' in the place of the name 'Devadatta', the former will mean the person 'Devadatta' and not 'a god'. Similarly the word 'datta' by itself can be a participle meaning 'given' or the person 'Devadatta', if used as substitute for the word 'Devadatta'. When it is so used, it will mean the person, to the exclusion of its other meaning.²⁶⁹

Of rival schools

The Grammarian also criticises rival views on this topic. His principal criticism is against the position they take that the bits 'deva' and 'datta' form real parts of the word 'Devadatta'. To those who hold this view a word is not an indivisible unit. Philosophically, there is nothing impossible in saying that the word has meaningful parts. Therefore, they hold that when the bit 'deva' conveys the meaning of the whole word 'Devadatta', it is a part of the word conveying the meaning of the whole.²⁷⁰

The Grammarian's main criticism is against the tenability of the position that a word can have real and meaningful parts. With this as the central point of his criticism, he attacks the opposite view. It is impossible that a word can have meaningful parts; and it is equally impossible that the parts can convey the meaning of the whole. What is the process in which the part 'deva' of the word 'Devadatta' conveys the meaning

of the whole ? Can it be said that the part when uttered brings the whole into view and the whole then conveys its own meaning ? What this means is that the meaning of one proper noun is conveyed from the utterance of another. ²⁷¹ That is impossible. For there is no proof that the word 'Deva' when uttered necessarily forms a part of the word 'Devadatta'. There is nothing to prevent the word 'Deva' being considered as a separate proper name.

Looked at from other angles also it is impossible to prove that a part of a word can convey the meaning of the whole. In what way are the parts of a word related to the meaning of the whole ? If the parts of a word can convey the meaning of the whole they must in some way be related to ^{that} the meaning. There must be a relation of the expressed and the expressing (vācya-vācaka-sambandhaḥ) ^{between} a meaning and the word which conveys it. How can we say that such a relation exists between parts of a proper noun, and its meaning ? If such a relation exists, ^{explanation?} what is its ~~source~~ ? We cannot say that the parts of a word are related to its meaning simultaneously as the whole word itself ^{is} is ? That is, it cannot be maintained that the parts 'deva' and 'datta' of the word 'Devadatta' are linked to the

meaning of the word 'Devadatta' as expressing it just as the total word is.²⁷² If it were so, we would have to concede that the letter 'de' of the word 'Devadatta' can convey the meaning of the whole word, for the letter is also ^a part of the word, just as the letter group 'deva' is. Thus, any letter of the word should be able to convey the meaning of the whole word.²⁷³

If we examine the problem from the stand-point that the parts can convey the meaning of the whole while in separation from it, then also it can be proved to be untenable. If parts of a word can convey the meaning of the whole, then they should cease to be able to discharge that function when they cease to be parts of the word. Thus when the bit 'deva' or 'datta' are uttered neither of them can convey the meaning of the word 'Devadatta' because, when they are uttered they do not form parts of the word. They are uttered as single units. The capacity of these bits to convey the meaning of the whole being associated with their status as parts, they cease to have that when they are uttered as single words.²⁷⁴

Can a different line of approach show that parts can convey the meaning of the whole? Thus can we say that parts of a word, when uttered, produce the recollection

of the whole which is different from it ? And How can a word caused to be recollected by the utterance of another word convey a meaning ? It is a word which is received by the sense of hearing which conveys a meaning. ²⁷⁵

^{of}
The doctrine of the permanence of word-meaning relation
when applied to a proper name. We have stated in an earlier page that a word is nitya. That is, it is imperishable and time-less and so ^{is} its being linked up with its meaning. This link between the word and its meaning is also inviolable. ²⁷⁶ Do these statements apply to proper names also, considering that the application of a name to a person is manifestly an act willed and begun in time by some human agency and can be terminated at any time ? Bhartrhari holds the view that proper names are no exceptions in this matter. Just as the word 'gauh' is timelessly and permanently linked ^{to} ~~with~~ its meaning, so are the proper names ^{like} 'Devadatta' and 'Dittha' ^{to} linked ²⁷⁷ ~~with~~ their meanings. When a name is given to a person, it is only a human application of a timeless and permanent principle. ²⁷⁸ Thus, Bhartrhari argues that when the word 'Dittha' means any particular person, it is only a restriction of ^{the} power of the word to convey a

certain meaning. The word itself is permanently linked ¹⁵ ~~up~~ with this meaning; and does not necessarily require any condition to be fulfilled to remain so linked. That is, even if a condition such as the word being used to refer to a particular person does not exist, the word and its meaning remain connected.

Let us explain the process of ^{the} use of a proper name, taking the word 'Dittha' as an example. The word 'Dittha' can be the name of any person on earth; Similarly any man can have any name. When a person gives his son the name 'Dittha', what he does is to restrict the wide possibilities of the naming word 'Dittha' to the named person, viz. the son. It is not that a relation of the expressed and the expressing, previously non-existent is newly created between the name 'Dittha' and the person-named. It is that the scope of the name to convey any meaning is restricted to the particular person; and the scope of the possibilities of the person to be given any name is restricted to the name 'Dittha', ^{or technical terms} ~~by a human agency.~~ The use of naming words, in grammar offer a parallel to this point. Take the word 'vṛddhi'. This naming word means the group of letters 'ā', 'ai' and 'au' (grouped together under the collective name 'ādaie'). Grammatical convention has narrowed down the range of the

application of the word to this one meaning, in grammar.

Bhartṛhari also raises and answers an objection to his theory that there is a permanent word-meaning relation in the case of the proper names also. The ^{ion} ~~objection~~ ^{objection} argues that it is impossible to prove the point, from whatever angle one might look at it. A word cannot be a proper name before it is used to refer to a person. If it is a naming word before that, what is it the name of? This means the word's being linked ^{up} ~~with~~ ^{to} a meaning is man-made and has a beginning (and can have an end also).

Let us, on the other hand, take the word as a proper name only after it is used to refer to a person. This position also presents difficulties. It creates difficulties with regard to the stipulation in a ^{of Pāṇini.} Pāṇinian Sūtra. Thus the Sūtra 'Pūrvapadāt saṁjñāyām aḥ' ²⁸⁰ ~~states~~ ^{states} that in the case of certain proper names like 'Kharanasa' the letter 'n' is changed into 'ṇ' under certain conditions, one such condition being that the word should be a proper name. The resulting word, in the example quoted above is 'Kharanṣa', and this is the final form which is in use in language. The question here is whether the word is a proper name before the p-change takes place - that is, in the form 'Kharanasa'. It cannot

be so if we assume that a word becomes a proper name only after it conveys a meaning. In other words, the two words 'Kharanasa' and 'Kharanasa' are different, the former not being a proper name. This means that the Sūtra stipulates the change of a letter 'n' of one word so that it becomes a totally different word. The implication of this statement is that the structural entity of the word is not inviolable; the word 'Kharanasa' could be changed into the word 'Kharanasa'. Further, the position also means that the word 'Kharanasa' is produced and ^{Hal-} there is a beginning to its being linked ^{to} with its meaning; for the word 'Kharanasa' becomes a proper name as a result of the change of the letter 'n' of the word 'Kharanasa' into 'n'. All these conclusions are against the concept of the ^{permanence} (nityatva) of the word and are as a result of the original assumption that a proper name becomes one only after it is used in reference to a person.

The Grammarian answers ^{to} these objections by stating that these wrong conclusions arise directly out of the opponents' assumption that a proper name is a proper name only if it conveys a particular person as its meaning. To the Grammarian, such a theory is wrong, and hence ^{to him,} the logical difficulties arising out of it do not exist. Both

the words 'Kharanasa' and 'Kharanasa' are proper names, because they refer to the same thing as its meaning. Grammatical convention groups such words together as proper names. ²⁸¹

The Use of Saṃjñās (technical terms) in the Sanskrit Grammatical Texts.

The Vākyapadiya also discusses in this connection the use of proper names and technical terms in the grammatical texts. The term, 'saṃjñā' is applied mostly to denote technical terms in the works of Pāṇini and other grammarians although ~~in these~~ ^{in them} there are places where the term is used to refer to ordinary proper names. The use of the term 'saṃjñā' in such a context as the chapter-heading 'saṃjñā-prakaraṇam' is to mean 'the technical terms'. Such terms, for instance, as karta (subject), karma (object) are examples of saṃjñās.

The Technical terms are used in Grammar broadly in four ways. They are: (1) the use of a technical term in a non-technical sense (2) The use of a technical term in a technical sense (3) the use of a ^{technical} term both in the technical and non-technical sense in the same discussion (4) the use of a technical term in a non-technical sense, but definitely intended to include the

282 technical sense also. Let us take some examples.

In the Sūtra 'kartari karmavyatihare' ²⁸³ the word karma is used not in the technical sense which it has in the grammatical system, but in the ~~ordinary~~ sense of the word in ordinary usage. This latter meaning is 'action'. ²⁸⁴

But there are other Sūtras where this word 'karma' is used in its technical sense; viz, 'object'. For the word being used in its grammatical sense as in the subject-predicate-object ^{group,} the Sūtra 'karmānyan' ²⁸⁵ provides an example. To take two other examples, the term 'karanam' is used in a non-technical sense in the Sūtra 's'abdavair.....karane' and in its technical sense in the Sūtra 'kartpkaranayōstrīyā'. ²⁸⁶ ~~Now to illustrate~~
^{Now to illustrate} the use in the same context of a word, both in its technical and non-technical sense: Pāṇini uses the word

'saṅkhyā' (number) in both senses in his discussion on numbers. Thus in the Sūtra 'bahuganavedaḍḍati saṅkhyā' ²⁸⁷ he defines the term 'saṅkhyā' (number) in its technical sense. The Sūtra means that words like 'bahu' and 'gana' will be known as saṅkhyās (numbers), ^{and these} ~~and~~ are mentioned ^{in the sūtra as} here saṅkhyās (numbers) in the grammatical sense. In other words when the Sūtra lays down that the word 'bahu' is a saṅkhyā, it does not mean that it is a saṅkhyā in that it will have a numerical value when it is used in the context. It only means that the word 'bahu' will be

technically known as a saṅkhyā, thus bringing it under the operation of the rules which particularly refer to saṅkhyās. In the scope of this ^{same} Sūtra are also included saṅkhyās (numbers) in the ordinary sense, like ^{eka (one)} ~~one~~ ^{one} (one) which are referred to by implication in a later Sūtra, namely 'saṅkhyāyā atis'adantāyāh'.²⁸⁸

We will now illustrate the fourth kind of the use of technical terms. In this group, we have the use of words in their non-technical sense. The scope of the non-technical meaning of the word includes the possibility of its interpretation as a technical term. The Sūtra 'ekas'ruti dūrātsambuddhau'²⁸⁹ provides ^{us with} an illustration. The word 'sambuddhi' (calling) means 'calling' in its non-technical sense; and in its technical sense it is the name for vocative singular. As used in the Sūtra quoted above, it means 'calling' - its non-technical sense. But the technical sense of the word has also relevance in the Sūtra since 'sambuddhi' in that sense is also a word of 'calling'.

P A R T I I

The Vākya-padīya. Cantos I & II.

A Translation.

THE VĀKYAPADĪYA, CANTO I.

1. That beginningless and endless One, ~~this~~
imperishable Brahman of which the essential
nature is the Word, which manifests itself into
objects and from which is the production of the
Universe, ²⁹⁰
- 2.- which though described in the Vedas as one is
divided on the basis of its powers, and although
is not different from its powers appears to be
different,
- 3.- whose indestructible powers functioning through
the powers of Time become ^{the} six transformations,
birth and the rest - the sources of all (these)
manifold objects, ²⁹¹
- 4.- to which, Single One, the cause of all, belongs
this manifold existence, under the forms of the
enjoyer, the enjoyed and the enjoyment, "

- 5.- of that (Brahman) the Veda is both the means of realisation and the reflection and it has been handed down by the great Seers as if it consisted of many paths, although it is (really) One.²⁹²
6. In the branches of the Veda are set out various paths, all at the service of one action (namely ritual) and ^{there (again)} these words are found to have a fixed capacity.
7. Codes of various kinds with objects tangible and intangible have been formulated on the basis of it (ie, the Veda) from its evidence by sages who are erudite in its meaning.
8. There are various controversies between the Monists and the Dualists arising from their own options regarding its explanatory sentences.
9. That true and pure knowledge alone proclaimed by that one word (namely Om̐) is stated there (in the Veda) under the form of the word Om̐ - [^]knowledge which is not contradictory to any school of thought.
10. Different disciplines which are sources of knowledge and culture are developed as based on the divisions and the sub-divisions of the Veda which (under the form of the Om̐) is the creator of the Universe.

11. The wise say that grammar, nearest to that Brahman and the foremost spiritual training is the most important (of such) subsidiary texts of the Veda.²⁹³
12. It is a direct path towards that holiest of lights, that supreme essence of the kind of speech which has assumed distinctions of form.²⁹⁴
13. Words are the sole guide to the truths about the behaviour of objects;²⁹⁵ and there is no understanding of the truth about words without grammar.
14. A gateway to liberation, a cure to the blemishes of speech, purifier of all (other) disciplines, it shines as being applied to them.²⁹⁶
15. Just as all thing-classes depend upon word-classes similarly, in this world, this (grammar) is the haven of all disciplines.²⁹⁷
16. It is the first rung on the ladder towards liberation; it is the straight Royal Road for those desirous of (reaching) that goal.
17. The soul which has passed beyond errors in^{it} (ie, in grammar) and is capable of studying the Veda observes that (Brahman) which is the source of

the Vedas and the very soul of which is constituted by the Veda (ie, in the form of the Om̐).

18. That pure light which is the form of the supreme essence of Speech free of (any kind of) form, which shines like fire in darkness,
19. - which is worshipped by those who have transcended the (manifested) speech ~~which~~ showing form and action, and ^{with} have passed beyond (the duality of) light and darkness,
20. - in which the symbols of speech, pointers as it were to the 'one-letter scripture' (Om̐) shine forth like reflections in association with that (ie, Om̐) which is antecedent to all (manifested) speech,
- 21.- and in which the various sorts of the letter-sounds of the Atharvan, the Sāman, the Rik and the Yajus exist with distinct identities.
- 22.- and which, though one, is divided on the basis of the various explanations (of it); - that Supreme Brahman ^{an} is attained by having recourse to grammar.
23. Words, meanings, and their relations are

described as time-less by the sages, who are the authors of the Sūtras, the Vārttikas and the Bhaṣyas.

- 24.) In this science are described, for the sake of the
 25.) code rules, word-meanings which are analytically
 26.) (ie, etymologically) derived or fixed as such (by
 conventions, etc), words which are indicative or
 descriptive, and (word-meaning) relations which
 are either of the nature of cause and effect, or
 of (inseparable) identity. These which form
 accessories to conduct and understanding are
 described through their own names, or through
 characteristic ^{features} ~~factors~~ and as covering the valid
 and the invalid ones; some of these are also used
 (in non-scriptural contexts) according to rules.
27. Even if it is found that there is no difference
 (between two forms) in the matter of expressing
 the meaning, only those which are derived ~~from the~~
 scripture (ie, grammar) are valid as instruments
 for right conduct for the wise; opposite ones are
 invalid.
28. Like living beings, words also have no (traceable)
 beginning whether they are eternal or created.

This rule (about words) is called their eternality.

29. No one dare make this rule meaningless. Therefore, the eternal code of rules about validity has been composed.
30. (Scripture is essential, not reasoning alone):-
Right conduct is not established by reasoning dissociated from scripture. Even the knowledge which the sages possess has the scriptures for its source.
31. No one can refute by reasoning or by argument of empirical obviousness those unbroken and traditional paths of right conduct.
32. Rarely are the natures of substances known from inference, since their properties vary with variations in (their) state, place or time.
33. The power which a substance decidedly possesses for a particular activity is obstructed when it comes into association with another specific object.
34. Even a conclusion inferred after great consideration by clever logicians is decided to be otherwise by others more qualified.

35. Such a knowledge as discriminates between diamonds and coins, etc., - a knowledge which cannot be described to others - arises in those who possess it, only from practice; it is not inferential.
36. The supernatural powers which demons, departed-souls and ogres possess, which transcend the perceptual and the inferential, are indeed the results of their actions (in previous births).
37. The knowledge of the past and the future, which is possessed by ~~the~~ sages, enlightened, and undisturbed in mind, does not differ (in certainty) from direct perception.
38. The words of those who perceive the super-sensual and non-cognisable objects with the eye of a sage are not refuted by inferential reasoning.
39. When a man does not doubt the perceptual knowledge (of a reliable person) as if it were his own, how can another one make him, who (thus) stands on the side of perception, turn back ?
40. The scriptural truth is of equal use to all humanity down to the Chandālas in their judgements 'this is virtue' and 'this is sin'.

41. He, who has got the Vedic knowledge which shines unbroken like consciousness, is not influenced by the inferential arguments (of the logicians).
42. A (blind) man on an uneven path obtaining his knowledge (of the path) only from feeling from his hand, if he then relies on inference (from this knowledge) and runs forward, will speedily fall. ²⁹⁹
43. Therefore, basing themselves on the scriptures of impersonal origin and the tradition of the precept-books with their binding precepts, the investigation of words is undertaken by the wise. ³⁰⁰
44. Grammarians consider that there are two 'word-entities' (ie, two elements) in functional words; one (ie, the sphota) is the cause of the (production) of the speech-sounds, and the other ^{in connection with} (the speech-sound) is used ³⁰¹ as meanings.
45. Some, among the teachers of old considered that there was a difference in essence between these two. Others (on the other hand) speak of the same undivided entity being thought various, through a difference in conceiving it.
46. Just as the light which is in the fire-stick acts as the cause for further lights, similarly the word

which is in the mind is the cause of speech-sounds.

47. The word is examined in the mind, is then fixed to a specific meaning and then perceived (by the hearer) through the instrumentality of the speech-sounds produced through (their) causes.^{30a}
48. The Word is neither a 'previous' nor 'a subsequent', because it is the speech-sounds which are produced in sequence. But the non-sequential is revealed as sequential as if it were divided.
49. Just as a reflection formed elsewhere (ie, in water) appears, due to the activities of the water, to partake of the movements of the water, similar is the relationship between the Word and the speech-sound.
50. Just as in (perceptual) knowledge, there can be seen both itself (ie, the act of perceiving) and the object of knowledge (the thing perceived), so in the word there appears the meaning-element and the formal-element.
51. The inner principle called 'speech' which exists

egg-like, evolving into speech-activity, assumes sequence through its parts.

52. Just as a shape which is (a copy) of another shape, when it has become the object of a unified perception (having been first received by the senses as a complex-pattern of parts), is then painted on the canvas, so like-wise three stages are seen in the comprehension of speech. ³⁰³ ~~297~~
53. Just as the mind of the speaker first dwells on the words (and not their parts when he wants to convey ~~their~~ meaning) similarly the activity of the hearers first arises out of the words (in their attempt to understand ^{their} ~~the~~ sense).
54. When certain meanings are conveyed, the words (which convey them), having (thus) become accessories to (such) meanings, and having their purpose (thus) fulfilled, they are not perceived ^(as accessories to action) ~~as accessories to action~~, because they are (uttered) for the sake of another (namely, meaning).
55. Just as light has two powers, namely the power of being perceived and the power of causing the perception of objects, similarly all words have these two distinct powers.

56. Meaning is not understood from words which (themselves) have not become objects (of the sense of hearing). Without being (thus) received, they do not express meaning by their mere existence.
57. Therefore when the form of the (uttered) word is not clear, the question 'what did you say' is asked (of the speaker). But the nature of the sense-faculty^{ies} is not similarly grasped when an object has to be revealed by them.³⁰⁴
58. The two aspects of speech, analysed and comprehended separately, act without mutual opposition as causes of different effects.
59. Just as the word 'vṛddhi' besides expressing its own form is also related to the sounds named by it, namely, those symbolised by 'ādaic' (ie, 'ā', 'ai' and 'au')
- 60.- so this word 'agni' ('fire') besides being related to the word 'agni'^(meaning fire) is also related to that referred to by the word 'agni', namely the form 'agni'.
61. A word which is uttered (in everyday use) is never linked with grammatical operations. (But) its capacity to convey that other thing (namely, its own form as its meaning) is not obstructed.

62. The word which is pronounced (in ordinary speech) being secondary, since it is for the sake of the other (namely, the thing-meant) is not linked with grammatical operations; and hence we adopt the convention that the grammatical operations are attached to words which symbolise themselves.
63. Whatever common attributes there exist in the object with which anything is compared and the ~~object~~^{thing} which is compared, some attributes different from them also exist in the object to which the comparison is made. ³⁰⁵
64. Whatever quality which is the cause of the excellence (of an object) is (itself) mentioned in the form of an object, its (own) excellence is caused by the qualities residing in it. ³⁰⁶
65. When a word (like 'agni' in the Sūtra 'agner-dhax'), which has its own form as its meaning is pronounced (for conveying its form), then (from that word) is discriminated another word (namely, the word 'agni' which ^{has} means 'fire' as its meaning).

66. Before being connected ^{to} ~~with~~ the thing it means a name is capable of genitive and nominative constructions, because it has its own form as its meaning.
67. The nominative is prescribed to a name because it is meaningful with its form (as its meaning), and it is from the same meaning that the genitive construction in the form 'of it' arises.
68. Some consider that the Sūtra 'svam rūpaṁ' means that the particular is the name (ie, the particular instance of the word 'agni' when the grammarian propounds the rule 'agner_ḥdhk'), and that it is the universal attached to the particular (which is 'the named', ie, the word 'agni') which undergoes the grammatical operations.
69. Others think that what is meant by the Sūtra is a particular instance of the named, (and that it is the class which is the name). (And the grammatical operations are performed on the particular since) in any given instance one finds only a particular, the understanding of which is brought about by the universal.

70. Both among those who uphold the ^{eternity}~~eternality~~ theory of words, and those who hold that words are created, there are some who uphold its sameness (in all instance of its occurrence). Again among the upholders of the doctrine of ^{eternity}~~eternality~~ and of the doctrine ^{that words are created}~~of the created-ness of words~~, there are those who uphold the plurality of words (ie, that every occurrence of apparently the same word, is really the occurrence of a different word).

71. (The doctrine of an opponent school is stated regarding the comparative reality of letters, words and sentences):-

Even when the word is a different one, the identity of the letters is not impaired; and in different sentences the same word is observed.

72. Therefore the word does not exist as more than its letters; nor is there a sentence existing as more than the letters and the words.

73. (The Siddhanta is given):-

Just as there are no parts in the ^{letters}~~varnas~~ (similarly) there are no ^{letters}~~varnas~~ in the word. Nor is there any reality in the discrimination of the ^{word}~~sentence~~ from out of the sentence.

74. People follow customary usage (and talk of 'words' and 'letters') though basing their theories on different views and on this (question) what is considered as primary by one school is ^{taken} in an opposite way by us.
75. People talk of differences of diction (as belonging to the utterance) of the word ॥ which itself is of undivided time, but (appears to) follow the time-pattern of the speech-sounds (uttered) ॥ in accordance with the differences in the causes of its being perceived.
76. With regard to the short, long and prolated vowels, since a speech-unit (here, a vowel) is (essentially) timeless, and (therefore) fundamentally different (from the speech-sound which reveals it), it is the time of the primary speech-sound which is metaphorically considered as belonging to the speech-unit.
77. The cause of the being perceived of the letter is defined as the primary speech-sound while the modified speech-sound is the cause of the differences in dictions.

78. It is however after the word has been revealed (by the primary sound) that the modified sounds are presented to the mind as distinctions of diction (and hence, a fortiori) the self of the ^{Word} ~~sound~~ is not divided into parts by them. ³⁰⁸
79. There are three views among those who hold the theory that words are manifested. ³⁰⁹ (1) the sounds act upon the sense-faculty; or (2) they act upon the word or (3) they act upon both.
80. ((1) would be analogous to the theory of sight - perception which held that) only the sense-faculty (of sight) is acted upon, namely, by attention and application of ointment; ³¹⁰ (2) (would be analogous to a theory of smell-perception which held that) only the thing (for instance, the earth) is acted upon in order that its smell might be received.
81. (According to (3)) where however, the eye effects the reception of a cognition, it is clear that both the object and the sense-faculty are acted upon by the light; and speech-sounds operate in the same form.
82. (Certain theorists maintain that) the reception of the sound takes place without any separation of it from

the form of the *śphoṭa*; others hold that the ^{sound} ~~śvāri~~ is not perceptible. According to yet others it is an independent manifesting agent.

83. Just as a chapter or a single verse is apprehended ~~as a~~ unit by means of saying over its component parts in order, but of course the book is not defined at each component parts,
84. — so likewise the form of a word is apprehended (as a unity) when the word is revealed by the sound through the agency of causal factors which are appropriate to the cognition (of the word), but which are not themselves (as such) apprehended. (ie the hearer is not aware of the separate sense-data).
85. Simultaneously with the last sound, the word is ~~not~~ apprehended by the mind in which the seed has been sown by the (physical) sounds, and in which ripening (of the speech) has been brought about by the telling over (of the sounds).
86. As for the non-existent words, which (a hearer) considers ^{as} ~~to~~ exist ^{ing} _^ in the interval (before the complete word has been pronounced), this is merely incapacity on the part of the hearer; it is,

in fact, only a means to the apprehension (of the complete word).

87. There is the semblance of distinctions in cognition; (similarly) the attributing of distinctions on words is always seen. The word appears to be produced in stages and cognition seems to be dependent on the cognised.
88. Just as earlier numbers (in a series) should be apprehended for the apprehension of subsequent ones, although the latter are different from the former, so is the apprehension of parts in a unit of speech (an aid to the apprehension of the whole).
89. When letters function as revealers (both) in words and sentences independently of their functions in each other, their functions are confused (as being the same), although they are entirely different.³¹¹
90. Just as on looking from a distance or in the dark, one at first misunderstands an object, and (later on) understands it otherwise (ie, in its true nature),
- 91.- similarly during the manifestation of the sentence

by its causes (namely the smaller units like letters and words), the mind first functions as comprehending the component units (as real ~~units~~ ^{units})

92. Just as there is a (fixed) sequence (in the stages) of the transformation of the ^{milk} milk (into curds) and the seed (into the tree), similarly there is a fixed sequence in the series of the hearer's perceptions (of the intervening words, phrases, etc).

93. And even if they (ie, sentences, words, etc) are made up of real parts (granting the Mīmāṃsaka's position), ³¹² the difference in form (between two speech units, for instance, two words, 'nadī' and 'dīna') is due to the (difference in the) sequence of their sounds. And where words, etc., are considered as not made up of (real) parts (by the Akhaṇḍavādins), the fancying of parts is a means (to the realisation of the total unit).

94. It is considered by some that the Word is a universal suggested by a number of individuals (namely, speech-sounds); ³¹³ these individual speech-sounds (according to them) constitute the sound-pattern of the Word.

95. Just as light (reveals objects), the speech-sounds produced by (their) causes become the cause of the immutable Word.
96. (If the Word is revealed like this, does it not mean that it is not eternal? The answer is in the negative):-
 Being revealed is not established as invariably pertaining to non-eternals^{things}. Universals which are eternal are also considered to be revealed by those (ie, the particulars) in which they inhere.
97. In life (only) concrete objects are found to have relation to place and the like (for instance, time). And even ~~according to~~^{accepting} the alternative (that difference in place, etc, applies also to those that are not concrete objects), there is no (such) difference between the speech-sound and the Word (it reveals). 314
98. Just as there exists an invariable competence of the revealed and the revealer between a perceiving sense-organ and the thing it perceives, so does it exist between the Word and the speech-sounds.
99. And it is seen (in ^{our} the experience) in this world that, in the case of (various) smells and the like which are perceived by the same sense-organ, there is a

separate causal factor for each substance.

100. (The point that the attributes of the speech-sounds revealing the Word are transferred to the Word is again stated):-

The object revealed partakes of the attributes of that through which it is revealed. This is obvious in the different kinds of reflections (of an object) ^{produced} in oil, water and the like.

101. And surely, concrete objects of the type of mountains cannot have existence (in their reflections) in stones, a mirror-surface and the like of incompatible size.

102. Therefore the time of the speech-sounds and of (their secondary variations in the form) of diction ^{is} ~~are~~ assigned to the syllable, word, and sentence which are (themselves) without time-distinctions.

103. (The definitions of the sphota and dhvani by another school are given):-

The Sphota is that which is produced by the union and disunion of the speech-organs (like the vocal chords). And ^h~~d~~hvanis are sounds born of this sphota.

104. (The nature of the primary and modified speech-sounds is again stated from the Siddhānta point of view):-

Whether the speech-sound is short or long, the measure of the word does not change. The subsequent sound (ie, the modified speech-sound) which arises out of these primary speech-sounds is expanded or contracted in its form.

105. (The view-point of another school is stated):-

Like light from a lamp, merely the sound (undifferentiated as primary and modified) is heard from a distance. But in the sound of a bell and the like the distinction is clearly noticed.

106. (The discussion of the doctrine held by the Grammar^{lans} school is taken up again):-

The long and prolated sounds which are different (from the short sound) are produced by the striking of the organs of speech. And the sounds which modify diction arise after the cessation of the movements (of the organs).³¹⁵

107. (The view of another school):-

Even before the vibrations of the speech-organs

(which produce the word) have subsided, other sounds are formed from the word itself, as one flame from another.

108. (Now regarding ~~to~~ what constitutes the substance of speech):-

It is held by some (ie, by three schools respectively), that air, the atoms, or consciousness become speech. There ^{is} are an endless number of variant views in this matter.

109. (These views are expounded):-

The air which is stirred by the speaker's effort following his desire to speak strikes the speech centres and produces speech.

110. Even powerful objects are broken by air, which possesses the attributes of speech and piling together, blowing with the capacity to cause (such breaking).

111. (Regarding the atom-theory):-

The atoms, which unite and separate, transform themselves into shadows, light, and darkness and also into speech on account of their possessing all (possible) capacities (ie, the capacity to ^{be transformed} produce into all things).

112. When their capacity is being revealed these atoms which are called speech, prompted by the effort (of the speaker) collect together like clouds (in the sky).
113. (Finally, regarding the consciousness-theory):-
Again, the inner consciousness which exists in the form of speech in its quintessential character ~~again~~ turns ^{back} into (audible) speech for the purpose revealing its nature.
114. It (ie, ~~the~~ consciousness) taking the form of the mind and ripening in the fire (of the stomach) enters the life-breath, and it is then uttered.
115. The breath which has become the substratum of the mental principle is suffused with the mind's attributes and manifested (after it passes) through the fire (of the stomach).
116. Dividing itself into its inherent knots (namely the letters like 'ka'), the breath reveals the letters through the distinct speech-sounds and merges into those letters themselves. ³¹⁶
117. ^{Both of speech and of the other kinds} (Yet another view about sound is given) :-
Sound though it is ever-existing is not experienced

because it is too subtle. It is realised through the appropriate causal factors just as air is through fanning.

118. (The view of yet another school):-

The powers of speech resident in the breath and in the mind undergoing transformation (into speech) at the centre of speech-production assume the distinctions (of revealed speech).

119. The power which is based on words controls this Universe. With words as the eye (with which it is seen) and insight as its soul, this Universe is experienced as manifold.

120. Because distinctions between two things, for instance, between a ³¹⁸śadja and another note become clear when explained in words, therefore all manner of things are determined as being only (understood through) words

121. Those who are versed in the Vedas know that this Universe is the transformation of speech. It was out of the Vedas that this Universe was first evolved.

122. In life the ^{knowledge of the proper action (in a context)} ~~proper of thing things~~ entirely depends on speech. Even a boy has this knowledge

or the ~~manner of doing things~~ ^{proper action}), having in him the accumulated experience of the past. ³¹⁹

123. That first movement of the organs (of speech), the upward sending of the breath and its contact with the centres - these would not be possible but for the production of speech (within the child).
124. In life no comprehension is possible except as accompanied by speech. All knowledge shines as permeated ^{by} with speech.
125. If it is denied that the permanent stuff of knowledge is speech, then that light (namely knowledge) will not shine (in the form of a recollection). It is speech (ie, words) which makes recollection possible.
126. It is speech which binds all branches of knowledge, of arts and ^{of} crafts. Everything when it is produced is classified through it.
127. This speech exists within and without all living beings. Consciousness can exist in ^{all creatures} ~~people~~ only after it is preceded by speech.
128. It is speech which prompts all mankind to activity.

When it is gone man, dumb, looks like a log of wood or a piece of stone.

129. It is when the distinctions (such as subject versus object) obtain, (ie, in the state of life, temporal) that the agent functions ^{in connection with} ~~as~~ an object. But when such distinctions do not obtain (ie, in the state of emancipation) speech itself remains in the form of an object. 320

130. Whether things are (identified with) words, or are different (from them), they become established as they are introduced by words. It is words which establish things. 321

131. Even when the cause of verbal expression (ie, a thing), is entirely non-existent, description of the form of such a thing through words is found, as in the case of a circle made by a fire-brand. 322

132. Further, speech which exists within the speaker as his soul is said to be the great Bull, identity with which is desired. 323

133. Therefore, attainment of faultless speech is the attainment of Brahman. He who knows the secret of its functioning enjoys the immortal Brahman.

134. No collection of precepts is of impersonal origin. When all such collections of precepts perish, the three Vedas alone exist as the seed (of such collections).
135. (Even when different schools (of Āgamas) perish and there are no new authors, mankind does not transgress the duties prescribed by the scriptures and the books of precepts.
136. If knowledge is instinctive, then scripture is of no use; but if virtue is the root of knowledge then the source of knowledge is the Vedas.
137. (Regarding reasoning as a source of knowledge):- Reasoning which is not contradictory to the Vedas and the scriptures (~~śāstra~~) is an eye to those who do not possess the vision (into the significance of the Vedas) - The sense of a Vedic sentence is not obtained from its form alone,
- 138- for which reason, various kinds of ^{the} ~~the~~ means of interpreting sentences have been classified by logic, such as, for instance : the intended meaning of a sentence (is such and such), a statement is for a purpose different (from what is obvious) or, a meaning becomes clear from the evidence of another sentence.

139. Human reasoning is the power of words. That reasoning is in accordance with ^{the Word} ~~words~~ ^{(ie the} scriptures) which ~~it~~ is not based on anything other than ~~the~~ the scriptures.
140. Just as different colours, etc., are found to possess (different and) fixed capacities, so are words (such as the words of a hymn) found (to possess capacity) in destroying poison, etc.
141. Just as these words have power to do that, so are they understood (as possessing capacity) in regard to virtuous conduct. Therefore correct words should be used by those desirous of elevation.
142. Men learn about matters which have transcendental effects from the Vedas. Contrary results can also be always stated from the scriptures.
143. This science of grammar has the knowledge of correctness as its subject. And it is directly based on the unbroken (series of) recollections of learned men.
144. It is the highest point of Speech, threefold as *Vaikhari*, *madhyama* and *pas'yanti* and having various passages (through which it is realised).

145. It is seen as being constituted by two different
^{namely, the} features ⁷ treatment (of words, etc) in analytical
 terms or as integral units. The capacities of
 words are noticed by those wise in the attributes
 of objects.
146. The scripture is described as beginningless,
 authorless and endless. And the codes that have
 been composed by the wise do not perish.
147. ^{The scripture and the codes} (Another view about ¹ is given):-
 In the scripture are the utterances, which are like
 dream-words, of those (ie, the sages) who have
 evolved from the Imperishable (Brahman). And the
 codes have been composed (by their authors) after
 knowing the truth about material objects through
 the (appropriate) evidence.
148. Whatever impurity there exists, ^{of} the body, ^{of} the
^{of} word and ^{of} the mind, their purification is effected
 through the sciences of physical treatment, grammar
 and spiritual welfare respectively.
149. That ungrammatical form (for instance, 'gonī')
 which is employed to denote a particular object
 when (a correct form for instance) 'gaun' is required
 to be used, is considered as a corrupt form. ³²⁵

150. Words like 'asva' and 'gonī' are correct forms when used to denote other objects (ie, objects other than a horse and a cow respectively). They are determined as correct forms when their use is occasioned by other things.
151. These (^{incorrect}~~incorrect~~ forms) which through inference cause the comprehension of the meaning of the correct forms, apparently identify themselves (with the correct forms) and convey their meaning.
152. Because these incorrect forms are followed neither by the learned nor by grammar as valid synonyms (of the correct forms), they are not capable of expressing the meaning directly.
153. When a boy who is being instructed, indistinctly utters 'ambā', 'ambā', those who know the correct form understand it through the indistinct one.
154. Similarly by an incorrect form which is used where a correct one ought to be, the meaning covered by the correct form is conveyed.
155. And where there are in current ^{use,} forms which have become current among corrupt speakers from generation to generation, in such cases, the correct form is

not the one which conveys the meaning.

156. This divine Speech (Sanskrit) has been intermixed with incorrect forms by incompetent speakers. Those who hold the view that the word is non-eternal, (for instance the Naiyāyikas), hold a contrary view on this.

157. And even according to the view that there is no difference between correct and incorrect forms, ^{upholders of the doctrine of the non-eternal word)} (as held by the ~~anityavādins~~), a word used with the intention of using some other word, does not convey the meaning of the latter.



THE VĀKYAPADĪYA, CANTO II

- 1) Theorists hold different views as to what a
- 2) sentence is. Thus a sentence is defined as
 - (1) the verb (2) a close combination of words
 - (3) the universal which resides in a close combination of ^{sounds} ~~words~~ (4) an utterance which is one and devoid of parts (5) a sequence (of words) (6) the reduction of consciousness (7) the first word (8) all the component words severally and possessing expectancy for one another.
3. The definition of the sentence given in grammar (by the author of the Vārttika) to establish the dropping of accent, etc., as ³²⁶ an entity whose parts possess mutual expectancy, is not parallel (to that given by the Mīmāṃsakas) in all respects.
4. (The Mīmāṃsakas' definition of the sentence is):-
A sentence is one which has its parts possessing

mutual expectancy when considered separately, but not possessing ~~any~~ expectancy ~~and not~~ for ~~possessing expectancy from~~ anything else (outside) when in combinations, which has the verb as its principal element, and has qualifying words and one unified meaning.

5. (Certain possible objections to the Vārttikākāra's definition of the sentence are answered in 546):-

The word in the vocative (in a sentence) qualifies the verb; this being so, in the sentence 'vrajāni Devadatta' (Let me go, Devadatta), the vocative loses its accent³²⁷.

6. Just as several infinitives can qualify a finite verb, similarly a finite verb is considered to qualify another finite verb (which, in such a case, is taken as a principal verb).

7. (The Akhaṇḍavādin's position that the sentence is an indivisible whole is stated and illustrated (7 - 12)):-

Just as an unified perception of a composite (picture) can be analysed (into the perception

of the component parts), depending upon which part is required to be perceived, so likewise is the understanding of the meaning of the sentence.

8. Just as a single homogeneous picture is described through various features as being blue (green, etc) as a result of its being perceived in different ways,
9. -similarly the sentence which is single and does not possess expectancy is described in terms of words which possess expectancy.
10. Just as roots and suffixes are analysed from a word similarly words are analysed from sentences.
11. Parts of some letters (like conjunct consonants) appear as separate letters (though, of course, it is well-known that it is artificial to look at them in that way); so do parts of the word appear as separate words (while in truth, they are not).
12. The words 'Vṛṣabha', 'udaka' and 'yāvaka' are

united with parts which do not possess any meaning. (It should also be noted that) the enunciation of the rule of invariable association and (absence) of dissociation (between the word on the one hand and the root and suffix on the other) is only for pragmatic purposes.³²⁸

13. (Just as sentences, words, etc., are indivisible so are their meanings) :-

The Word has no parts; how then can its meaning have any parts ? The ignorant person gets a different idea of its formation by splitting it into parts.

14. (This is illustrated) :-

Just as the idea of 'Brahmana' does not exist in the meaning of the word 'Brahmanakambalam', similarly words like 'Devadatta' have no (independent) meaning in a sentence.³²⁹

15. (The Mīmāṃsaka's definition of the sentence is criticised) :-

The word which possesses a general meaning disappears when uttered in a context, and therefore is not associated with a particular meaning (which the context demands). Why should

the word which exists (namely with a general meaning) be abandoned and how does a word thus abandoned continue to exist ?.

16. If the meaning of a sentence is not derived from the words in it then the meaning of the word (itself) cannot be (considered as) derived from the word. This being so, is not the word's relation with its meaning broken ?
17. (A view slightly variant is stated):-
According to the view of certain thinkers words which (at first sight) may seem like Universals are revealed to the listeners as being particulars because of their connection with the other words in the sentence.
- 18a. According to their view, the total meaning of the sentence exists in each of the individual words.
- 18b. (But) listeners get the meaning of the sentence through the clear utterance of (all) the words in it.
19. (The sentence and its meaning are discussed from the point of view of the Akhanda-school):-

This speech is described as indistinct, sequential or as uttered in a low voice. The non-sequential appears as being ^estretched out (i.e. having sequence) when the mind dwells on it.

20. Just as (in an action of whirling round and round) the character of the action is not understood at each of the repeated revolutions, but the class of the action is revealed through the repetition of revolutions,
21. — In the same way, in letters, words, and sentences the speech-sounds, being produced at the same centres as the word-principle, appear to resemble it, although they are fundamentally different from it.
22. How in reality can there be a preceding and subsequent part in timeless entities ? This appearance (of sequence) is a result of the powers inherent in the integral entity itself.
23. Just as the cognitions 'a long time' and 'a short time' do not differ in time (because they are cognitions and not time-measures), yet appear as if they have different durations of time, similar

is the nature of the long and short (sound^s)

- 24a. (Further, can one say that an indivisible entity becomes multiple on the basis of the media of its revelation, because that means a change in the character of its indivisibility. Yea):-
Does not time which is indivisible appear to be divided into periods by intervals taken by other things (like an atom)?
- 24b. (But such measure^{ing} of time on the basis of the behaviour of other things is not sound-~~because~~):-
What sequence can there be in the absence of recurring periods ?
- 25a. (Further) the cognition[†] arising from these (i.e. periods measured on the basis of the behaviour of other things)^{is} ~~are~~ one without parts. 329a
- 25b) (But can not this cognition be considered as
26 a) partaking^{of} sequence, etc):-
This cognition (although it is sequence-less in character) being describable in a sequence appears through its (own) power, as causing recollection of sequence, as if it (the cognition) were different (in character).
- 26b. (This is wrong):-

whatever be the seeds (of the behaviour of atoms, etc) laid in the mind, a description of it either as identified with the mind or as different from it, is impossible.

27. The sentence which is (really) indivisible becomes capable of division when it is (analytically) conceived and due to this the meaning which is in fact indivisible, is presented to the mind as if it consisted of parts.
28. If these words (which are distinguished by analysis) exist as real entities in a sentence and ^{letters} similarly exist in words, then [^] letters themselves should be capable of division, just as atoms are (considered by some schools of thought to be divisible)
29. Without the juxtaposition of parts there would ^{be} be neither letter nor word (a consequence following the adoption of the position of the pada-school). And when neither letter nor word can be established how can anything else (i.e. meaning) be conveyed ?

30. (The definition of the sentence as a reduction of consciousness is stated):-
Others say that speech is that indivisible inner word-principle revealed through speech-sounds; and thus too it possesses unity in the sentence. ³³⁰
- 31a. According to them meaning is an inner principle which is revealed by means of pieces of meaning.
- 31b. Speech and meaning being the two halves of one fact, are not distinct and separable.
32. The power of being the revealer and the revealed, the cause and the effect, eternally belongs to the word-principle which is essentially internal.
33. It ^{is,} (the time-less speech-principle) has in fact the two powers of having or not having (attributes like sequence), the appearance of sequence in the non-sequential being merely dependent on pragmatic considerations.
34. (The following arguments numbered (1) (2) and (3) are given against the Pāda-school):-
Since ^{their} ~~the~~ evidence for the existence of word-meaning (as a real unit in the meaning of the sentence) is its cognition, this will result in

the meaninglessness of the preceding words
 in a collection of word-meanings,
 Since the mind leaves (cognising them as it
 passes on to the meaning of subsequent words).³³¹

35a. The word 'rāja' conveys the meaning 'king'
 in different forms.³³²

35b. And the same word 'rāja' in a complex ^{grammatical} formation
 being similar to a verbal form is
 (nevertheless) employed in a different sense
 (from the verb).³³³

36. Just as, when the word 'as'vakarna' is uttered
 a certain definite meaning which has no
 reference to 'as'va' (a horse) is conveyed
 (to the listener), the same is the case in all
 verbal cognitions.³³⁴

37. (If the meanings of all compounds are realised
 as single units, does this not make the
 distinction between rūḍhi and yaugika
 (etymologically explained) words superfluous? No?)
 In reckoning (the degree) of similarity (between
 a complex word-formation and the sentence
 analysing it) certain words because of their
 transfer to another meaning in the sentence, are

understood to be rūḍhi - but only in grammar. ³³⁵

38a. (Grammarians) propound means (for the understanding of language) which, once grasped, can be thrown overboard. ³³⁶

38b. } And there is nothing necessarily absolute in
39a. } the methods (of grammatical analysis). The
objective (or meaning) is realised by a person in any way.

39b. (Summing up):— Therefore (all meanings of) parts (of a sentence like a word) are derived from the sentence, whether (such parts remain) as isolates or in combination.

40. When the unity between a sentence and its meaning is grasped by the mind - a unity expressible in the form 'this is that' - then, in some places, a single letter of the sentence is sufficient to convey the meaning of the sentence.

41. } (Now to state the Abhinītanvaya definition
42. } of the sentence as a close combination of words):—
42. Words, say some, when used in a sentence convey the same meanings as they convey as isolates. And

the additional meaning which arises when they are in mutual relation - they call the meaning of the sentence, a meaning which is dependent on several words.³³⁷

43. (According to some) the meaning of the sentence although it resides in several words reveals itself through the individual words (in turn), just as a class (reveals itself in particulars) ^{through the} others hold ^{that} it is accomplished in the totality just as numbers are.

44. Others consider that it (ie, the meaning of the sentence) is a unified whole in which all the parts are mutually compatible and that it partakes of the character of the meanings of the parts (ie, of the words) because of the association of the meaning of one part with that of another.³³⁸

45. As regards the uncertainty (as to the meaning of the sentence) while it is still requiring (other) parts for its completion, that is removed when the meaning is localised in the individual parts (thus revealing its nature of being a connected whole).

47. The connection (of the parts) is inferrable from its effects. It has no form. Therefore it is known as being non-existent in the ultimate analysis.³³⁹
48. The means being present, the objective is fixed; and a verbal action has a fixed means of accomplishment. Thus, the meaning of the sentence being something fixed shows itself by the mere juxtaposition (of verb and object).
49. (But the nature of the expectancy between words varies):-
The noun functions in this respect as possessing expectancy for the verb in the form of a subsidiary and the verb possesses expectancy for its subsidiary (ie, the noun) as a thing to be performed.
50. (The sentence is a sequence of words):-
Those functional features which already exist in the meanings of the words (ie the features of being the subject, object, etc) are conveyed (to the ^{listener} reader) by the sequence of words and it is not the sentence which conveys them.
- 51a. As long as there is some sequence of words there

is no need for any other speech-entity to convey the meaning.

- 51b. Sequence is an attribute of time and therefore there is no sentence (as understood by the Sphotavādins since the latter deny that the sentence has time).
52. The functional features which are inherent in the meanings of words, but which are not manifest are revealed when the words are in each other's proximity. But the same is not the case with the sequence of letters.
- 53a. 'Word' and 'Sentence' are respectively the names given to the sequences which reside in letters and words.
(But-)
- 53b. The status of a speech-entity (conveying a complete-meaning) is not given to them (ie, to the letter and the word).
54. Even if they did have equal status as speech-elements, understanding is seen to proceed from the word; and there is no such understanding at each separate letter. Hence they say ^{that} meaning belongs to the word.

55. (The three different definitions of the sentence just discussed are re-stated) in the following three stanzas.² First the saṃghāta-view is re-stated):-

Just as letters, with their parts, are devoid of meaning (~~by~~ themselves), but are meaningful when combined, so also is it with the sentence.

56. (The sequence-view is re-stated):-

Words which, by themselves, do not possess any meaning or alternatively (according to a different doctrine. ~~view~~) are meaningful through the possession of word-meanings, convey the meaning of the sentence when they are uttered in a sequence; and the meaning of the sentence thus conveyed is different in nature from the meaning^s of the words.

57. (The vākya-sphoṭa view is summarised):-

Whether we consider that the individual speech-unit (here a sentence) is imperishable or that there is a generic entity (which is ^{common} ~~imperishable~~) ^{to} for a group of particulars, it is the unitary sentence which has a meaningfulness of an invariable character.

- 58a. Those who consider the sentence as an indivisible unit consider (the recognition of) words (in it) aspragmatic and as subsequent to indivisibility (in the order of reality).
- 58b. And those who take a word as a real entity consider ^{the} indivisible ^{the} sentence as subsequent to words.
- 59a. The definition of a connected discourse (given in the R.g.veṇḍapratīśākhya) ^{is} explained in different ways.
- 59b. (They are) :-
A connected discourse is the source of words or it is built up from words.
60. If the Pāda-text being other (than the Samhita) is the indicator of the Samhita and is itself not created, how is the Pāda-text to be constructed according to rule ?
61. Just as one does not get the cognition of the meaning of the word at each ^{one} of its letters, similarly the form of the meaning of the sentence is not realised at each of the words (taken individually).

62. (The Pada-school replies that letters are not meaningless):-

Just as the meaning of the sentence resides in words occurring side by side, similarly the meaning of the word exists in letters occurring side by side.

63. Just as a small object is perceived when it is in the company of another one, similarly a letter ^{too} ~~also~~, when it is united with another letter, conveys a meaning.

- 64a } (Further it is against experience to say that a
64b } letter has no meaning):-

Just as a certain meaning is understood (by the listener) from the utterance of a word, similarly the same sense is understood (by the listener) from the presence of the letters. ³⁴⁰

65. (Again, five difficulties arise if the Pada-position that the meaning of a sentence is understood through the meanings of the component words is not accepted. The first of which is discussed in (65-73)):-
Since the scriptural-hearing of that which is (already) implicitly legitimate is for the purpose of restriction, if by this particular the general is completely ruled out, ^{340 a}

67. —and if a substance (in general) legitimate as being indicated by the implicit power of the verb 'yajeta' were to be ruled out by the word 'vr̥hi', then no substitution would be impossible.³⁴¹
68. Therefore the word 'vr̥hi', while prescribing rice in addition (to the general, 'sacrific^a substance' implied by the verb), being (simply) for the purpose of providing (the general concept with a particular meaning), does not prohibit substance (in general), since the two things are not mutually exclusive.
69. And when (the concept of) substance (in general) which accompanies (the verbal concept) is particularised by it (ie, by the word 'vr̥hi'), there is then no appearance of these other particulars, because of the impossibility (of two objects occupying the same logical space).
70. The verb (like $\text{yajati} = \text{sacrific}^{\text{to}}$) does not imply every particular substance (with which the sacrifice can be performed), as it does the idea of substance in general. A word, of course, does not denote (at one and the same time) every existent (which can be named by it).

71. Just as the qualities 'white' etc, though ^{they are} existents, are not (immediately) intended (by the word 'vr̥hi') so also the various substances which accompany the concept of 'substance' are not intended (by the verb 'yajati').
72. A substitute is enjoined in the absence (of the normal material) so that the purpose of a regular ceremony, or of an optional ceremony already undertaken may not be cut short.
73. (But substitution will be impossible according to the Akhaṇḍa-position) :-
According to him who considers that the meaning of the sentence is an action (ie, ^{the} meaning of the verb) qualified (or accomplished through the nominal agents viz, instrument, etc), in the absence of the material and consequent substitution for it, it would be a different action.
74. (Now the second of the five objections against the Akhaṇḍa-position is stated) :-
When (in a sentence ^{like 'vanāt pika ānṛyatām'} in which there are familiar and unfamiliar words), the meaning of the familiar word (or words) is conveyed, the question 'what is it' is asked about words like 'pika' which are not

familiar.³⁴²

75. (The third objection is stated):-

If a thing which could be understood by implication (directly from a statement) is stated for the sake of clarity through^a syntactical connection (~~in a sentence~~), then the direct statement supersedes the authority of syntactical connection and evidence stated elsewhere.

76. (As for the difference between direct statement and syntactical connection), when ideas like 'whiteness' are conveyed not directly (from a direct statement), but from the proximity (of the relevant word to other words in a sentence), such conveying of the idea through a syntactical connection is of a different nature from ^{cts} ~~their~~ being conveyed through a direct statement.³⁴³

77. If it is considered that a sentence is an indivisible whole conveying an indivisible meaning then since all (relations) are from a direct statement, there is no (question of any) conflict ~~between~~ ~~the direct statement, (with~~ ^{of} syntactical connection or anything else). ³⁴⁴ with direct statement.³⁴⁴

78. (The next objection against the Akhaṇḍa-position is stated):-

Where we have a group of clauses (as in a mahāvākya, i.e. a complex or compound sentence) all intended to build up one principal idea and having ~~with~~ expectancy for one another, then there would not be any meaning for the component parts (if the Akhaṇḍa-position of the indivisible sentence conveying the indivisible meaning is accepted).

79. (^A ~~The~~ fifth objection is raised against the Akhaṇḍa-~~position~~ ^{position} ~~position~~. The acceptance of the position will lead to the meaninglessness of the rules employed in interpreting Vedic texts; in order to decide such questions as the sequence of sacrifices, the relation of subsidiary and principal actions and so on (79-89)):-

This (action) should be performed as an incidental one, while this (other) should be performed according to the principle of tantra. (Again) this action should be performed (by several persons) using the same means one after another, and this (other) action should be performed, each person using a separate means. There is (the operation of) sublation and combination in this place.

80. A substitution is valid here; and here the connection of the word (is carried on from one sentence to another). A transference of the general attributes of an object is indicated here; and (in this other place) some special attributes are transferred from one object to another).
81. Here (a person's) need to do an action (is shown) and (in the other place) his competency (is indicated). (In this third sentence), the object of the two (ie, of the person's need and his competency) is the same. He (who performs the sacrifice mentioned here) has scriptural authority to do so. He has no authority to perform (that) other action.
82. The sequence here is fixed by direct statement; and in this, the sequence is fixed on the basis of pronunciation. The sequence, here, is powerful and no sequence is intended in this (other one).
83. This non-operative one among the accessories is connected (to the principal) through the other (operative) accessories. Among them (ie, the accessories), this is the one which effects the action and this (other) is incidental. 344a

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84. (Among ^{the} actions) this one is principal and this is subsidiary; and this is the order of performance of the two (actions). This means serves the action directly and this other indirectly.
85. The things mentioned here have different potentialities and functions and the results (of the action mentioned here) vary. This ~~the~~ (particular) object has changed due to its association (with something else). No distinction is intended ~~there~~ in that (other) place.
86. (Further, besides these rules of interpretation, there are also others which will be nullified by the Grammarian's position (86-88). They are):- This is the negation of a possible case; and this (other) is a prohibition of a particular thing without enjoining an alternative. This word has a secondary meaning and this other, a primary meaning. The scope of the meaning of the word here is wide. The method employed here is a complex one and in this other place a simple method is employed.
87. There is a divided relation of whole and parts in this sentence and an option of different things (in

^{other}
this context). A restriction is enjoined here; and here the appropriateness of another thing is stated.

88. The specification of this thing is inferred from the evidence of another sentence. The meaning of this word is obtained by analysis, after the word itself is detached from (the context of) its usage.
89. The above-mentioned methods of exposition in sentences based on the meaning of words would not have been considered if a word were not a meaning-expressing agent.
90. (The criticisms of the Padavādin are now answered):-
The objections raised (by the Padavādin) do not contradict (our position) because (we concede that) the meaning of the sentence which is an undivided whole lends itself to division along the (lines of) the included clauses on the basis of its different aspects.
91. Just as a single composite scent is analysed into (the component elements such as) the smell of flowers, etc., in the same way are different meanings (as meanings of clauses, phrases and

words) pointed out in the sentence. ³⁴⁵

92. (The objection regarding words like 'pika' is answered):-

Just as in ^aBos gavæus or a man-lion which is the object of an integral cognition, a part of it assumes resemblance with another species, ³⁴⁶

93. —and when an ignorant person perceives that certain parts (of the ^{Bos gavæus}~~savæa~~, etc) have not been seen by him before and are unknown to him, he is (really) having a non-understanding of the whole,

94. — Similarly, when, by the use of words like 'pika' the sentence has become totally different, (the ignorant person) imagines to see in it something which resembles a meaning which (in fact) does not exist in it.

95. Just as light and the mind which are both integral and partless are found to be similar to each other in certain respects, and dissimilar in other respects, ³⁴⁷

96. —similarly sentences which (in reality) are integral wholes are imagined to be similar to each other in certain parts and dissimilar from

each other in certain other parts.

97. (The Akhandavādin now criticises the Pāda-vādin):-

When the forms of words are impaired

(injunctions) how can the boundaries of the word be determined? And without determining the boundaries of the word how can its meaning be determined?

98. (The objection based on sentences like s'veto dhavati' is answered):-

Another school (ie, another section of the Akhandā school) holds the view that in a form (like s'veto), there is the conjunction, so to speak, of several forms and that the one form (rather than the other) is preferred among the various possible forms on the principle of tantra (ie different forms being contained in a combined form).

99. There is so to speak, in the one undifferentiated form the coalescence of different words; and hence the one form though outwardly non-different can be distinguished (by contextual factors).

100. (The following few stanzas discuss incidentally the problem whether there is identity or there is difference (in numbers) between a meaning and that which conveys meaning) :-
 In ^{one} grammatical statement the line is taken that there is identity between that which expresses a meaning, and the meaning expressed; while in some other places it is stated that there is no such identity.
- 101a. Thus by the use of the identity-principle the sound 'u' is used to indicate the three kinds of u-sounds, the short, the long and the prolated. ³⁴⁸
- 101b. In symbolising lṛñ and lṛṭ (by the sound lṛ) there is a difference (in numbers) ^{assumed} between (the symbolised (and the symbol)). ³⁴⁹
102. The form 'yasya' which is a combined form of 'a' and 'i' expresses those symbolised by it (namely, the vowels 'a' and 'i' short or long). No apprehension of a thing is possible as conveyed by something which is itself 'a symbolised'.

103. This sound \bar{u} (prolonged) which is non-different from the sounds of which it is the symbol, is also the basis of the different sentences (into which the original Sūtra is analysed). It is understood in two ways just as a paraṭūpa is in regard to two meanings.^{349 a}
104. (The view held by Kātyāyana the author of the Vārttika):—
 Vārttika) — He (ie, the author of the Vārttika), who rules out that (1) the component parts of a prolonged diphthong are themselves ^{not prolonged} prolonged and (2) that a conjunction of vowels (with udatta and anudatta tones) is (not a svarita - vowel), has (thus) adopted the position that there is an ultimate distinction among speech-sounds (ie, that ^{for instance,} there is no numerical parity between the component-elements in the word 'sveto' on the one hand and the word itself in the sentence 's'veto dhāvati').
105. Just as in words like 'ardhar^eṣa', there is a form (assumed by the component elements) different (from their forms while in the analysed sentence), due to the difference in their sequence (of occurrence), so likewise, with a word remaining the same, there is the (discriminative) hearing of different words from it.

106. Letters which themselves are unchanging appear to become different ones when in combination because they assume different capacities.
107. It is observed about objects that, without their giving up their real nature, they are perceived as different due to changes in the perceiving sense organs (and other factors like the angle of vision). The same is the case with heard sounds (ie.the same sound is heard in different forms in combinations and the like).
108. (When words are uttered in combination) even though they remain intrinsically unchanged a form will be heard ^{at the very same time,} as absolutely different due to the changed manner of pronunciation.
109. (How does this apply to the Vedas ?) :-
The Sāmā-verses are either only the R̥k-verses or only the music. It is not a different entity altogether. And these same R̥k-verses are heard as altered, due to the differences of the music.
110. ^{there are} when forms which are different among themselves, but have one of them capable of including the others, the texts concede they are valid in that

manner of combined utterance.

111. (Therefore in a situation of this kind) words even though they are different from each other should be uttered with a common form of utterance. If used otherwise they are not valid.
112. Sentences which are similar to each other get a common valid form which is prescribed by the texts, when they are uttered with a common form of utterance.
113. Just as ^{the one} ~~one~~ (wind) takes various forms depending on how it is received ^(ie) by a flute or other musical instrument, similarly in the present instance various forms can take a common form.
114. (The Pāda-school's objection regarding subsidiary clauses (stanza 76) is answered):-
Again, clauses do exist and they can be compared to words; at the same time they will have independent meanings, if there were not another sentence (of which they form parts).
115. (In this connection the Mīmāṃsaka view that "purpose" is the significance of a sentence is criticised with special reference to the problem of the subsidiary

clauses):—

He who holds that meaning belongs to the word and that the significance of the sentence is its purpose cannot consistently admit any kind of relation between subsidiary clauses.

116. (The possibility of recognising subsidiary clauses is discussed from the angle of the Anvitabhīdhāna-view):—

It is the verbs (in the subsidiary ^{clauses} ~~sentences~~) which expect each other. Therefore a mutual relation is seen (among them), as based on the verbs.

117. (An objection about the Anvitabhīdhāna view is answered in this connection):—

Repetition (of the meaning of the sentence conveyed by the first word, in subsequent words), is a repetition for the sake of defining the meanings of the (individual) words. The meaning of the sentence which is completed in the individual words (thus) resides in the collection.

- 118a) Even though the meaning of the sentence ^{did} ~~does~~ not vary,
 118b) various different views, as discussed in this section, were held on it by the ancient teachers, depending

on their (various) conceptions.

119. Others held that the complete utterance is a cause of instantaneous mental conception as a result of practice just as in the matter of conveying a meaning to children or animals.
120. Some consider this practice to be a convention which has existed from times immemorial and it imparts the knowledge of the kind "after this, this should be done".
121. (The meaning of the word according to a different view is stated):-
 "Words all have a (general) meaning" - such a definition of the meaning of the word has been put forth by some, as being applicable as much to words like 'gauh' as to words like 'apūrvam', 'devatā' and 'svargah'.
122. What apprehension of (particular) form there is when words like 'gauh' are uttered is due to repeatedly using the word to denote ^a thing (meant), along with constantly seeing it.
123. (Another view about the denotation of words is stated):-
 Some ~~categories~~ differentiating features (of the object

like the universal residing in it) are conveyed by the word as its signification; while some others which are incidental are (also) taken to be the meaning of the word.

124. (This view is criticised):-

When the idea of an individual attaches itself to the word whose meaning is the universal, that class-word does not denote the particular.

125. The word does not denote the shape (and such other attributes) of objects like pots, because words denote only the mere object (divested of its attributes). The attributes are conveyed incidentally.

126. (An example of the incidental expression of an idea by a word is given):-

An action enjoined by a word (ie, ^{by} a verb) is never seen except as accompanied by those which bring it into being (like agent, instrument, etc). The idea of this relation of the action with agent, etc., is an incidental meaning of the word (while the action itself is its meaning).

127. (Still another view about the denotation of a word is stated):-

Whatever relations (of the verb with agent etc) etc are constant, and whatever instruments (agent, etc) are ^{Constant} common, they form part of the (directly conveyed) meaning of the word according to others.

128a. (A fourth view is stated):-

The word denotes the sum-total of the attributes of the object, - (and it denotes the collection) neither alternatively nor together. ³⁵⁰

128b. (A fifth view is given):-

Some think that a word denotes an association (of the object with the universal, etc) - an association which is unreal.

129a. (The sixth view):-

Or Reality revealed through (the flux of) the Unreal is what the word denotes.

129b. (The seventh view):-

Or the word (falsely) assumes the character of being produced and becomes (its own) meaning.

130. When a word has its form identified with its meaning in the form describable as 'this (ie, the word) is that' (ie, the meaning), then the word is considered as 'produced'.
131. Although (in theory) the identity of a word and the thing denoted by it is invariable, in some places (both in ordinary and textual usage) one of them does stand out as prominent.
- 132a. (In life the thing denoted is more prominent):-
In life the word functions by becoming identified with the thing denoted by it.

132b. In grammar ~~the~~ words are studied as divided into both kinds (namely, those which convey an external object as their meaning, and those which convey their own form as meaning).

133. (The eighth and the ninth views regarding what a word denotes) :-

Something (for instance, an action) which might be looked upon either as having powers of all kinds or as having no power of any kind, is so described (as an action etc) invariably through words.

134. (The tenth view) :-

A conception formed about an external object is (erroneously) understood to be the object and considered as the connotation of the word. ³⁵¹

135. (The eleventh view) :-

With some words, meaning is presented as comprising the (detailed) appearance (of the objects) and as producing (their) vivid recollection; with others, it is presented as a mere indefinite idea.

136. (The twelfth view) :-

Just as a defective sense-organ reveals an object

in an unusual form, similarly meaning is understood from words in various different forms.

137. (Thus) a word-meaning intended in a certain way by a speaker takes different shapes in different hearers depending upon the apprehension of each.
138. Although the same object is perceived, its perception varies (from person to person). ^{Again,} Even the same person ~~again~~ perceives the same object in a different form on another occasion.
139. The same person (at different times), and different persons, apprehend the meaning of the same word in different forms; due to the changing conditions of apprehension.
140. Therefore, both the apprehension and report of people who have not seen the truth (about things) are defective, unreliable and perpetually inconsistent.
141. (Nor can we stabilise meaning and usage on the basis of the vision of sages) :-
That vision of the sages which is based on Reality cannot be put to ordinary use; their vision is not

linked with words.

142. (Nor can any reliance be placed on the perceptions of people) :-

If the sky is not seen as a surface, and the glow-worm not seen as a (spark of) fire, then there would not be any surface in the sky nor any fire in the glow-worm.

143. Therefore a wise man should see through (the eye of) logic even a thing which he perceives with his eye. Let him not determine a thing on the evidence of his (physical) perception.

144. When pragmatic people give pragmatic descriptions of things whose essential nature is beyond words, the wise man does not take it (as a real description of things).

145. (The meaning of the sentence as a ^{flash of insight} ~~conception~~ (Pratibhā) is described) :-

When the word-meanings in a sentence are detached (from out of the sentence) and (thus) understood, a different ^{flash of insight} ~~conception~~ is produced (out of it). That ^(flash of insight) ~~conception~~, presented by the word-meanings

is described as the meaning of the sentence.

146. It is by no means describable to others in such terms as "it is like this". Having been formed from the function of one's inner self, its nature is not known even to the subject.

147. It effects the fusion of the (individual) word-meanings, without itself being logically thought out, and it is apprehended as seemingly taking the form of the collection (of the word-meanings). 352.252

148. In the matter of the knowledge of what to do, no one transgresses it (i.e. this flash of insight) which is either produced directly from speech or is a result of recollection.

149. The whole world looks upon it as authority (for their conduct). Even in animals the knowledge of the beginning of behaviour dawns by virtue of it.

150. Just as qualities like softness are seen to belong to particular objects without further effort by virtue of their ripeness alone, so is the flash of insight to those who possess it.

151. Who alters the note of the cuckoo in the Spring ?
By whom are creatures and the like taught to make nests and so on ?
152. Who directs animals and birds in functions like eating, loving, hating and leaping which are well known to each species or family.
153. And (this) ^(flash of insight) ~~understanding~~ arises from precepts accompanied by recollection. The precept is qualified by either proximity or distance.
154. ^{The flash of insight} ~~Understanding~~ is considered to be of six kinds, as obtained (1) by nature (2) by action (3) by practice (4) by meditation (5) by invisible causes (6) as handed down by the wise.
155. (A discussion of the division of words into as primary and secondary commences):-
Just as the word "gauh" is applied to an object which is in conjunction with and recognisable by, (other) material things, but the word (itself) does not denote those (material things) which (so) qualify (the object),³⁵³

-(similarly)

156. ^h Although a word functions as denoting an object, which is associated with shape, colour and parts, it does not take these to itself (as part of its meaning).
157. (However), words (signifying colour, etc) employed to refer to an object qualified by shape, colour and parts, do not denote those (qualifying) constituents alone.
158. The perception of all parts of any object is rare in this world; from some perceived parts the whole is inferred.
159. - just as we see that by the instrumentality of the scent of a jasmine, or ^a_h lotus flower, the accompanying qualities (of shape, colour, etc), which are invariably associated with the scent, are also apprehended.
160. The word ("water") functions as denoting water - whether it is a drop or a mass - without reference to attributes, number, quantity and location.
161. But words which function denoting oil, etc.,

which are delimited by (attributes like) refinement denote quantities of it and such words do in fact function in relation to parts.

162. A word withdraws from functioning when in separation from that meaning linked to which it has been used.
163. Whatever non-permanent distinctions (in the object it denotes) a word might be used to imply, the word does not necessarily require their presence for its operation.
164. Just as the word "gauḥ" is seen (functioning) even in the separation of horn, hoof, etc., (from the animal ~~it~~ it is used for), it does not ^{, likewise,} ~~likewise~~ function dissociated from the universal.
165. Therefore while there is comprehension of the non-permanent things from the word, the thing which is never seen in separation (from the object) is the one connected with it.
- 166a. (The place of root and suffix in the scheme of the meaning of the word is now discussed according to various views held on it):-

- 166a) "The suffixes denoting duality and the like can be expressive or illuminating".
- 166b) "Or perhaps the aggregate of (root and suffix) expresses the meaning including the idea of number, etc."
167. "Or words like 'gauh' convey through a change in their forms a meaning which contains the idea of number, etc., without (actually) mentioning them".
168. Of those words which have a permanent connection (with their meaning) and the powers of which become clear when analysed, - ~~their~~ meaning is analysed (into root-meaning and suffix-meaning) through (the test) of association and absence of dissociation.
169. Where they (ie. association and absence of dissociation) can be established without exception there (alone) it is obligatory (that the root and suffix are significant elements); but there is no no such rule about 'nut', 'sap', etc. ³⁵⁴
170. Where such exists (ie. the root and the suffix having distinct meanings), the implication of one

meaning (by the other) is not conceived. The powers of word-elements (i.e. root and suffix) raise expectancy (for each other) when in combination.

171. The words "kūpa", "sūpa" and "yūpa" have no fixed parallelism of meaning; therefore the capacity for expressing another idea belongs to the group.
172. Etymological explanations of words vary; where more than one meaning is possible a derivation is stated (for each meaning).
173. Words like "vaira", "vāsiṣṭha", "giris'a" and similarly "ekāgarikā" and others are explained by various people in various ways through a host of derivations.
174. Just as description of a path is possible through a tree, an anthill or a mountain, explanation of a word through different concomitant features is not impossible.
175. (The basis of employing a word to denote an object is discussed):-

Descriptions of objects like a kims^u'ka tree are made in different forms by those who can see them in different states and based on the partial understanding (of them).

176. (Similarly) derivation of the word 'gauh' from 'girati' (to swallow), 'garjati' (to roar), 'gamá' (to go), 'gavati' (to void by stool) or 'gadati' (to speak articulately) has been shown by some.
- 177a. (Another view as to the basis of the function of a word is given) :- 'Or the word 'gauh' denotes the meaning 'cow', by virtue of its form 'gauh'. No words are etymologically derived.
- 177b. By some both (ie, the form of the word and features of the object it denotes) are so considered (ie, as the basis of the operation of the word).
178. In grammar several forms are pointed out by a common form for the sake of brevity. The particular ones are indicators of this as if it were another universal.
179. A word existing as linked to a different meaning is only another stem of it.

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where a form is connected to one form by convention,
the same form does not get linked with another meaning.

180. The two roots "ij" and "yaj" different from each other and established as functioning in different settings are treated in different ways by different teachers. Indeed the treatment (of things) is found in different ways.

181. In this way treat the word "bālavāya" as identical (with "vidūra"), similarly as the word "jitvarī" is. There is no (mutual) contradiction in approaching words as different (from) or as identical with each other.

182. In grammar roots and prefixes are assumed to be different for the sake of establishing at, etc., but their combination is (really) the root.

183. Thus the injunction (of the operation of at) is made from the form 'saṅgrāmayati'. Verbs are introduced in these ways (i.e. both in combination ^{with} and separation _{from} with prefixes.)

184a. Because of this the operations to be done to roots and prefixes are considered to be internal. ³⁵⁵

184b. It is the root in that form which is related to the nominal cases.

185. (An objection is raised against this view):-
When they (i.e. the roots) are to be employed, their meaning (i.e. the action symbolised) which is to be qualified is first accomplished before (it is so qualified); and before its connection with the accomplishing means (i.e. agent, instrument, etc), an action is not accomplished.³⁵⁶

186. (But), just as, through an anticipated association of the root with the accomplishing means, it is (admitted to be) a root and a verb, so let the other also be.

187. Just as the red-dye-juice, etc., which are associated (with a tree) in its stage as a seed serves the fruit through ^{its} change of colour and the like,

188. - Similarly, the modification (of an action by a prefix) which is made to exist as an internal feature between the root and the prefix by virtue

of their mutual relation which exists conceptually, becomes manifest at the time of the formation of the word (by their combination).

189. (The nature and function of prefixes are discussed):-

In some places possible modifications (of the actions) not denoted by the uncompounded verbs are revealed through their association with the prefixes like "prā" and "parā". 356a

190. Sometimes it expresses the particular features (of the action as its own meaning) or it might illuminate those features which potentially exist (in the actions themselves). Or again it is used as a co-worker of the root for bringing out its powers.

The same features as

191. "going", etc., which are understood as existing by implication in the uncompounded roots like "sthā", (the prefixes) "pra" and the like convey ~~the same~~ features through two forms of inference.

192. The root which denotes that other action expressed by the forms, uncompounded with "adhi" and "pari" is meaningless (by itself) just as they (i.e. the

are

prefixes (by themselves).

193. Similarly some suffixes of the svarthika type (like 'kan') existing in combination with other elements and coalescing with these same elements which (by themselves) do not convey a meaning (while in the combination), function as repeating the meaning of the (same) bases.
194. (Conjunctions are now discussed):-
Some particles reveal (meaning); others (express meaning (of their own) independently; Some, like grammatical augments, convey the meaning while in union (with the words which govern them).
195. When they are used before or after and in different meanings, their being illuminators (of meaning) does not alter.
196. Particles, although they are words, are not used by themselves, (just as) a suffix is not used by itself, although it expresses meaning.
- 197a. And although they refer to something aggregated there is no separateness (between them and the aggregate which could necessitate the use of a genitive case in the context).

197b. A particle denotes a thing which does not exist as well as something which exists, as its meaning, just as an action is also denoted by something different (ie, by a noun besides by the verb itself). 358

198. Attributives are connected with words (they ^{and} qualify_k which convey particular meanings; but 'ca' and the like, on the other hand, are for the sake of others, even when they convey the idea of the combined.

199. (A discussion on karmapravacanīyas starts with this stanza):-

Certain verbs withdraw after generating (a relationship between nouns) and thus become^{ing}_k the substratum of the relation. In some places, such relationship comes into being with the verb itself heard. 358a

200. (A point about the prescription of the genitive case in the sentence 'mātuḥ amaratē' is discussed):-

There, the genitive is especially enjoined in order to prevent a compound (from being employed); and the contrary example of an instrumental is given in order that it might be seen (whether the word 'guṇāḥ' is an accusative or instrumental).

201. (It was stated in 199 that sometimes a verb, after effecting a relation between nouns ceases to exist in the context. This stanza continues that statement):-

And when the relation has come into being and the verb has withdrawn, the karmapravacanīya establishes the relation (as being brought about by the verb).

202. That (karmapravacanīya) (with which a verb starts) which implies the existence of another verb (in the context) is connected with (the nominal and the pronominal) case-forms in the sentence, as for instance, does (the karmapravacanīya) 'vi'; when used with (the root) 'likh' it has not the status of (being) a prefix.

203a. It is found that the verb 'tiṣṭhati' is used in the verb 'apratyajayan'.

203b. The (karmapravacanīya) 'abhi' functions uncompounded with the verb 'sunvati' in the sense 'in the direction of'. ³⁵⁹

204. 'su', 'ati', etc., which are different in characteristics are declared ^{to be} ~~as~~ karmapravacanīyas when they are associated with verbs, in order to avoid the change of 'sa' into 'sa' in certain forms.
205. (Another specific function of the karmapravacanīya is stated):-
 When (the karmapravacanīya) 'anu' denotes the union of a cause and effect, the instrumental which is to function in the cause is set aside.
206. (This stanza rejects the views already stated about the function of the karmapravacanīya):-
 It is not an illuminator of the verb; it does not express a relation; nor does it imply a verb. It defines a relation.
207. (Having thus discussed the five parts of speech, the Akhanda-vādin's position is again stated):-
 A collection of letters which are meaningless by themselves can be meaningful or meaningless (in combination) ; if meaningful, it is a word; and there are no parts in a word.

208. A combination of meaningful words varies as giving rise to another meaning or as not having any connection among them.
209. If one of two (letter-groups) is meaningful and the other is not, when they are considered in separation, then they do not combine into a connected word. But some others say that they do combine (into a whole) as, for instance the words 'kutīra' and the like do.
210. (Some thinkers hold that if the aggregate is meaningful, the components also should be meaningful):- According to some, an aggregate with a distinct meaning is formed or not formed from meaningful words, as in compounds and svārthika-formations (respectively).
211. Some of these have fixed meaning in combination and have their functions known on analysis. With some others functions are attributed to their parts based on the test of ~~constant~~ association and (absence of) ^{dissociation} dissociation).
212. Only a technical significance is intended by the statement that syllables are meaningful; isolate

syllables which are (technically significant as) roots and the like are not meaningful in ordinary usage.

213. The meaning of *kṛt* and *taddhita* suffixes by themselves is technical. Even so, forms ending in these have no meaning before the addition of the case endings.
214. And the distinct meaning which one finds in words ending in these suffixes (*kṛt* and *taddhita*) is derived from factors like meaning of adjoining words and topic-context.
215. If words and sentences are not different in character from syllables, these syllables (and not words and sentences) would be expressive (of meaning) due to their power of possessing expectancy for one another.
216. If a collection (of letters) is meaningful when it is less than the normal by one letter, then (what happens is that) the whole is understood from a fraction of it assuming that the (reduced) form is not an entirely different word. ³⁶⁰
217. Under certain conditions it causes recollection (of the fraction)

of the (complete) word which is to express the meaning as if it had been actually presented by the (whole) word.

218. Just as in 'gaurakhara' and other such words, there does not exist any separate meaning of the component words and no such meaning is realised during the comprehension of the meaning of the combined word,
219. —Similarly in the meaning of the sentence which appears to be a combination of the word-meanings, the recognition of word-meanings is of no use.
220. If in complex formations, the complete word and the component parts have different meanings, then there is the co-existence of contradictory meanings, namely the analytic and the synthetic.
221. (Another objection to the recognition of words and word-meanings in sentences, etc., is given) :— Who will consider 'adhi', etc., as purely having the meaning of the (locative) case ? And how can a bahuvrīhi compound have that meaning of which the word is not used ?
- 222a. The meanings of words like 'prajñu' and 'samjñu' are

not understood through their component parts.

- 222b. Therefore the combination as a whole is connected to a specific meaning.
223. The single word 'Gargah̄' denotes many people. Similarly a combination of words known as a dvandva compound may denote many people.
224. Just as 'bhuj' (to eat) and other verbs combine with the parts (of a collective subject) individually, similarly the verb is conceived separately for each (component) of the meaning (of the subject) denoted by a dvandva compound.
225. And so far as the need of a component meaning in a ^{dva}dvandva compound for the pronoun 'tad' is concerned, there is only the appearance of a pronoun in the expanded meaning (of the compound).
226. Just as in cutting the khadira tree, the (act of) cutting has a sequence in its parts, similarly a sequence is seen in the meaning of a dvandva compound.
227. Particular actions which pertain to groups are considered to function through individuals. Similar is the case of the parts of a dvandva compound.

228. In discussing, for the benefit of the untutored, complex grammatical formations with (particular) reference to their (expanded) sentence-forms, the chief significance is attributed to the meaning of one or other of the (component) words. ³⁶¹

229. Since the meaning of a negative compound is (really) indivisible, diverse conceptions of the (comparitive) significance (of their parts) are given as optionals in the Bhāṣya; these are nothing more than (necessary) evils which appear in the grammatical explanations (of these words).

230. The rejection of all (component) meanings is shown in the case of bahuvrīhi compounds by him (ie, the teacher) who desires the rejection of all component meanings according to the view-point that 'the individual words in a compound give^{their} up ~~its~~ meaning'.

231. (Other arguments are given to prove that the notion of the reality of a word-meaning is ^{not correct} ~~less than~~ the truth —)

In grammar the meaning of the root is expressed by the suffix in some places, when the root has ceased to function and (sometimes) the meaning

of the suffix, by the roots.

232. The same meaning which two different suffixes express in the form 'pacanti' is conveyed in some places by one of them; and in some (other) places the root conveys the same meaning without either of them.
233. The same suffix-meanings which in certain inumeratory texts are considered as linked to suffixes, are mentioned and designated as root-meanings in other texts.³⁶²
- 234a. Similarly in grammar words like 'advami' and 'kari' are used because they are well-known (as substitutes),³⁶³
- 234b. --since the (analytical) explanation of words adopted in grammar ^{is} (only) for the sake of (ordinary) usage.
- 235a. It is Unreality which is described in the scriptures (like grammar) through various explanations.
- 235b. And Reality itself remains untrammelled by these differences of textual explanations.

236. Just as an effect is not(definably) connected with its cause, nor is it describable, similarly the true knowledge which is indescribable is pointed out as having grammar for its means of realisation.

237a. It is practice (of grammar) which helps ^{to create understanding} in the meaning of words.

237b. This practice is considered as unreal like the beginningless nature (of things).³⁶⁴

238. (This beginningless and unreal nature of things is illustrated):-

The untutored imagines an atom as having parts; and a whole having parts as being linked to yet other parts.

239. The world is understood as limited from the sight of pots, etc. And because objects have a beginning, the time-less Brahman is (erroneously) understood as having a beginning.

240. Means are intended as a concealment of the truth for the sake of the unwise who are learning. Remaining on the path of Unreality one strives after Reality.

241. After grasping the meaning (of a word) in a certain

form through the comprehension of the word, the same meaning is again grasped in the sentence in a different form.

242. Of the many meanings (of words) presented (to the reader of a sentence) those which in the end are repudiated (by the sense of the sentence) are not operative. Therefore they should not be resorted to there (ie, in the understanding of the meaning of the sentence).³⁶⁵

243. The sentence 'vrkṣo nāsti' has a particular negation as its significance. The meaning (of the word 'vrkṣa') cannot be considered to be connected in the mind (to the meaning of the particular^{ie} 'na'), because that would mean the negation of some thing which exists.³⁶⁶

244a.) If, when the sentence is understood analytically,
244b.) the knowledge 'there is (a tree)' is formed, how can that concept which is non-verbal in character be removed (by the particle 'na').

245a. Or again, the knowledge that there is (a tree) is falsified by 'na'.

245b. How then, can the knowledge of the absence (of

the tree) be obtained if the function of 'na' is modified like this ?

- 246a. Again can it be said that the particle 'na' functions in isolation, without reference to any of the sectional notions referred to above (2.4.0);—

~~Is it~~

If 'na' is functioning without reference to any substratum, then it should be employed (in the beginning) before (all the others).

- 246b. (Can the use of the substratum, ie. 'vrkṣa' be explained by the Bheda-school as follows);—
Again, (it may be said) that (ie. 'vrkṣa') alone shall be its (ie. of the particles) ~~substratum~~ substratum. (The defect of this position is that) a direct statement, then, becomes a restrictive statement.

- 247a. Or (it becomes) a statement which brings out an implied restriction. Or it might become a repetition.

- 247b. (Therefore if the sentence 'vrkṣo nāsti' is interpreted in the way stated in 246a, then) ~~is~~ only one word (ie, 'na') will have meaning there;

others will have no meaning.

248. (The argument against the recognition of word-meaning stated in 241 is illustrated):-
Words 'udahāri' and others enter into an incompatible kind of relationship (among themselves); and when the sentence is completed the meaning of the sentence is comprehended in a different form.
249. In the case of sentences with praise or censure as their import the meaning of the sentence is not the same as is constructed by its analysis into words.
250. The pada-vādin's position is again stated for repudiation :-
Or it is the un-integrated meaning which remains in the words; and it is (also) the means for the construction of the integrated sentence-meaning.
251. (But) that (meaning) which originally remains unintegrated in the words, and is then gradually built up is not any different from it, since it is like something re-strung after being broken.
252. Other investigators say that the same word has more than one meaning; they say that the same word

has many meanings due to various causes.

- 253a.) The Simultaneity (of the functioning of the
 253b.) word in all its meanings) is avoided and the
 word is established in one meaning at a time,
 through (such contextual factors as) the meaning
 (of other words) or situation context or due
 to association with other words.
254. Just as the mass (of flesh) with dew-lap, etc.,
 is named by the word 'gauḥ', similarly the same
 word 'gauḥ' is established as conveying the
 meaning 'a Gaṇhika'.
255. On the basis of the difference in the currency
 of the (corresponding) meanings, ^{the same word} ~~primariness and~~
~~is described as primary and secondary~~
~~secondariness are described of the same word,~~
~~it having all potentialities~~
~~it having all potentialities and several aspects.~~
256. Thus the same hymn having various meanings and
 possessing different potentialities, is
 established as functioning in regard to the self,
 to a god and to the sacrifice, without its
 functions mixing together.
257. The attribution of cow-ness on the Gaṇhika for
 (certain) reasons is desired by some. (Thus) only

the object denoted has changed; the word remains fixed in its meaning (namely cow-ness).

✓ 258. Again the form of the word is associated with all its meanings. Only the objects denoted change. The word permanently remains linked to its form (as its meaning).

259. Those who adopt the line of the plurality of words say that the one-ness between principal and secondary words is but formal, and that they are fundamentally different. #/ 人

260a. Thus a different Sāmidhenī hymn is associated with (each) repetition (of the hymn),

260b. Hymns become different by being employed just as they do when altered by a substitution.

261a. (Nevertheless), they too are Vedic hymns; only, certain ones are actually mentioned there (ie, in the ~~actual~~ texts).

261b. Or (alternatively) it is those which have no use (as Vedic hymns) which are mentioned there.

(Through them), the remaining ones come to mind. 367a

262a. Others describe that the form of a hymn is its

meaning when it is recited.

262b. Hence all hymns are different; and those other hymns (which are produced, so to say, from the recitation of the ^{mentioned} studied hymns) are also different from each other, they having their distinct forms, through their connection with ^{mentioned} the studied hymns.

✓ 263. The Savitṛī hymn which is the source of purification is one; a different hymn is employed in sacrifice; and a different one is employed in the contexts of muttering hymns. But all these appear to be the same.

264a. The functioning of words in their meaning is through their forms.

164b. And the functioning of a sentence in the meaning of the sentence is through its dependence on nothing else (other than the form of a sentence).

265. Those who follow the idea that the same word possesses several meanings base their conclusion regarding the meaning being primary ^{or} ~~and~~ secondary on it being well-known or otherwise.

266. Others think that a word which conveys its meaning depending on the meaning (of other words) or ^{situation} similar-context or by association with other words, is called secondary.
267. (The definition of a word which conveys a primary meaning is given according to the view of the Samgraha) :-
That word from which, when it is pronounced as an isolate, its own well-known meaning is understood and which depends solely on its form (in conveying this meaning) should be known as primary.
268. That word which is made (to convey the meaning) as if with difficulty, through the use of another word is considered obscure and connected to a secondary meaning.
269. When a word (in conveying a secondary meaning) depends on itself as functioning in its own meaning (ie the principal meaning), then the principal meaning acts as the basis (for the secondary meaning) and the secondary meaning is based on it.

270. The words 'parā' and 'arād' which convey meanings which are different and contradictory among themselves are also understood through the meanings (of other words) and the situation-context.

✓ 271. (Siddhanta):-

When the analysis of word-meanings from the meaning of the sentence is artificial, how can any (word) properly have relation with another word ?

272. Where it is seen sometimes that a single word possesses a complete verb 'to be' (implied in it), that word is considered as a separate sentence; and it is not used with another word.

273a. As the answer 'cow' or 'horse' is given to the question 'What is it', words like 'see' are included in the question itself.

273b. The criterion (of judging whether a word is principal or secondary) with reference to a meaning) is not whether it conveys more or less of the attributes (of the object denoted).

274. Conveying more (such attributes) is considered

as the basis of the word being well-known
(in some places) while, in some other places,
conveying less is so considered.

275. Others consider that a secondary meaning is that
to convey which ^a word whose significance is a
universal is used, without ^{its} having to signify the
universal, by virtue of it (ie, the object)
having attributes similar to those of the
individual associated with the universal.

276. There a meaning (of a word) is taken to ^{be another} ~~former~~,
apparently by mistake, then (such) words like
'gaun' are considered by some as 'secondary'.

✓ 277. Just as objects like a plough, a sword or a
pestle which possess specific forms and powers
are invariably taken as instruments of specific
actions,

✓ 278. — but when used for other actions they do not
possess these powers, and are invariably
associated with such actions only from their forms,

✓ 279. — similarly a word which has its meaning settled
on the basis of its formal capacity is used (to
convey) a different meaning by virtue of a
(different) potentiality.

the primary-secondary distinction to
 280. (How then is ~~primariness and secondariness~~ to
 be understood in this case?) :—

✓ When on merely listening, one understands the word as having a (certain) meaning, that meaning is considered to be principal, and the meaning is secondary where it has to be explained.

281. When words like 'gauh', 'yusmat' and 'mahat' convey a different meaning (from what they ordinarily mean) through the operation of the suffix 'cvi', there we find the identification of the principal meaning with the other meaning. ³⁶⁸

282. (An objection arising from the idea of the stanza above is stated):-

Bigness and whiteness remain in their original state. But that (state) when looked at in different ways become the basis of ^{the} ~~secondary~~ ^{nature} ~~ness~~ (of the meanings of the words).

283. (Yet another objection is answered):-

Words like 'Agni' and 'Soma' which are connected to their forms (as their meanings) are secondary when they are used to denote the symbolised (persons) because they are well-known (as the names of gods). ³⁶⁹

284. On the other hand, the word 'Agni' used as (an abbreviated) substitute for the word 'Agnidatta', having given up its own meaning conveys a secondary meaning since it (also) conveys the meaning of the word 'Datta'.
285. If their etymological derivation is approached from different angles there is the existence and the non-existence of the augment 'sut' in words like 'Hariscandra'.³⁷⁰
286. If words which have become established as names of sages and the like are used to denote something different, then changes effected in the body of ^{such} the words (when they mean sages, etc) do not revert.
287. (The problem of primary - secondary classification is approached from ^a different angle):-
Even when a meaning completely antithetical (to the normal meaning of the word) is conveyed by the word, the word is functioning in a primary capacity in accordance with the mind's comprehension (at that time).

288. Although the comprehension of the true nature of an object is dependent on conceiving it, conception is not everything in it, as in the case of an imperfect comprehension (of an object).
289. Seeing (an object) in water resembles seeing (it) in a mirage. But while its apprehension, etc., (in the two media) are thus, similar, water is not a mirage.
290. What ^{ever} ~~the~~ effect ^{have} ~~is~~ which a rope and a serpent have not in common, by that is determined a difference between them in spite of their similar appearance (in certain conditions like twilight).
291. A difference (in an object) effected through a cause which causes a contrary appearance of (such) a well-known object, is also considered unreal.³⁷¹
292. And digging, etc., are not possible on where a picture (of a mountain etc) showing elevations and depressions, ~~which~~ resembles the mountain.
293. It is possible for a (real) wheel to have continuous contact with the hand (which holds it); but that is not the case with ^a ~~the~~ wheel of fire; it breaks when it is touched.

294. While a rampart ~~or~~ a fort, ^{or} a turret in a real city can be touched, covered and the like, the same cannot be done with those in a magic city.
295. Actions of the type performed by the original animals are not performed by their models made of clay. Therefore (the suffix) 'kan' is added to such words (for forming the words ^{which} ~~to~~ denote the models).
296. A large space is occupied by real mountains and the like. But their images are found to occupy only a small space.
297. While real poison, etc., can cause death, they are not able to produce those same effects of theirs in a dream.
298. (The argument is concluded): —
A thing which appears otherwise, due to differences in time, place, or the sense-organs (with which it is perceived), is, nevertheless, finally understood in the form in which it is well-known to the world.
299. The knowledge whose source is an error, and the knowledge which is not about the world (of sense-

experience) are beyond words. Words are instruments of temporal knowledge.

300. (After discussing the classification of meaning as primary and secondary, a primary-incidental classification of meaning is now discussed) :-

For whatever purpose a lamp is employed in connection with a pot, etc., (ie, to reveal it) in association with that same purpose, it (ie, the lamp) reveals another object (like a wall).

301. Similarly whatever (particular) meaning, out of the many meanings (of a word), operates as the cause for the employment of the word, the word also (incidentally) conveys meanings other than that operative meaning.

302. Just as the churning of two kindling sticks performed to produce fire produces also the unintended smoke, which has the same cause as the fire,

303. - similarly, when a certain meaning which is to be conveyed is intended (when using a word), the word also conveys the unintended meaning due to its proximity (with the intended one).³⁷²

304. Just as it is impossible to discard an object which
is in

close connection with another, similarly a word which is in (intimate) connection (with all its meanings) cannot be divided (in its function).

305. Even when an unrequired meaning is present and revealed, the meaning which ^{is} ~~was~~ instrumental to the word (being used) is the one connected to it in spite of the same form (conveying the two meanings).

306. (A discussion follows about the relation between primary meaning and secondary meanings):-
In some places the distinction of meaning into primary and secondary is not maintained. And in some ^(other) places even the presence of a secondary meaning does not act as the (operative) cause of the word (in the context).

307. In some (other) places the meaning which the word actually conveys is the one which it does not mention. Elsewhere the principal meaning points to another meaning. ³⁷³

308. When the verb conveys the idea of a taddhita the inversion of the primary and secondary meaning is seen.

- 309a. (Even) when gender and number are expressed, their presence is not the operative cause (for the word to function in the context).
- 309b. In the case of ^a'short vowel' etc., it is a measure which is understood, though not mentioned.
310. And that (measure) which is seen as half of a short vowel is equally (understood) when there is no short vowel there, since, 'hrasva' ^{being} ~~is~~ used as implying ('dīrgha' and 'pluta') what is expressed is 'similar to that'.
- 311a. (Three ways of interpreting the word 'ardha-nrasvaṃ' in the Sūtra referred to above are discussed):-
It (ie, the word 'ardha') applies also to the long and the prolonged (vowels apart from applying to the short vowel). Or it might qualify (and apply to) 'a measure'.
- 311b. Or again a class might also be understood by implication from it.
312. (This stanza illustrates the point ^{stated} in the second half of 307):-
'We must go now. Look at the sun' - when time is indicated by implication in this way the idea 'Know the time' is conveyed through its means.

313. (The same idea is further illustrated):-

In the ^{injunction} ~~statement~~ 'Pierce without a bow' a general instrument is indicated by the particular. The basis of the (instrumental) capacity is provided for by any (object).

314. A boy who is instructed to protect clarified

butter from crows does not ^{assist from} ~~remain without~~ remain without protecting it from dogs and the like, the (instructing) sentence having the significance of protecting (the clarified butter), in general.

315. (Sometimes secondary ideas are conveyed as accessories to the principal meaning without making an actual statement of them):-

(From the very expression 'give him food') the (ideas of the) washing of the plates and the scrubbing of the pots are conveyed although they are not mentioned by words because they form accessories to the act of eating.

316. (The factors which help to determine the meaning of a word are now discussed):-

The meanings of a words are determined from (their) syntactical connection (in the sentence), situation-context, the meaning of another word, propriety,

place, and time, and not from their mere form. ~~عصم~~

317. (Another list) :-

(Constant), association (of two things), (their) dissociation, company, and hostility, the meaning (of another word), situation-context, evidence from another sentence, and the proximity of another word. ³⁷⁴

✓318. Even according to the view of the plurality of words, words which have the same form but which, on realisation are found to be different in meaning have their meanings understood after they are determined by means of situation-context and the like.

319. Words, which, according to their application in one way or another are either nouns or verbs though of identical form, do not have the meaning which they are to convey understood from their form alone. ³⁷⁵

320. The employment of praise and censure as incentives to action and inaction is understood by a clever hearer as not literally intended.

321. A praise is made of that action which has been enjoined (in the Vedas) as productive of result tangible or intangible; and praise is only an incentive to the performer.

322. Just as a child is dissuaded from crying by the pretence of a 'tiger' and the like (eating it), similarly an evil result (of the nonperformance of a sacrificial action) is stated, which is not true.
323. When an evil result of this sort is laid down, no wise man performs an action (thus) prohibited, by disposing^{of}_λ (ie, the evil result) ~~off~~.
324. The prohibition 'Do not eat (puroḍas'a) with the teeth' should not be acted upon in a different way by disposing off the serpents through effective spells and medicines.
- 325a. In some places, praise and censure are made as the real meanings (of the passages); but even in these places action and ^{abstention}~~non-action~~ are enjoined.
- 325b. The nature of all word-meaning is dependent on the meaning of the sentence.
- (ie of a clause)
- 326a. That meaning of a sentence_λ which is itself dependent (on the meaning of other sentences) is comparable to the meaning of a word
- 326b. And a word which has a verb implied in it is also considered as a sentence. 376

327a) That verb in which a specific nominal category
 327b) is (automatically) understood (as existing by
 implication) is also called a sentence because
 it has a completed meaning. 377

328a) Here the Mīmāṃsaka's view of 'words understood'
 328b) ~~is given~~ (Śrutarthāpatti) is given).—

The act of intellection, with the uttered word
 intervening (between it and the ^{un}uttered word) and
 working on the unuttered word is considered as
 causing the comprehension of its meaning through
 inference.

329a) (The Akhaṇḍa reply):—

✓ 329b) When a certain utterance is made and a meaning
 conveyed from it, that meaning is considered as
 the meaning of that utterance alone. There is not
 something else which is the indicator of that
 meaning.

330a. In the case of secondary words with a verbal
 significance, ^{the} action (which is the meaning) of
 the verbs whose place they occupy is understood.

330b. And the sense of 'gone' etc., is understood
 from indeclinables like 'nih' themselves in
 complex combinations. 378

- 334a.) (If thus, the meaning of the sentence
 334b.) 'vrkṣastīṣṭhati' can be obtained from the
 335) utterance of the word 'vrkṣaḥ' then why use
 the word 'tīṣṭhati' at all in such utterances as
 'vrkṣastīṣṭhati' ?) :-

They (ie, the word 'vrkṣaḥ' as meaning an object
 as its referent, and the word 'vrkṣaḥ' as an
 utterance implying the verb 'tīṣṭhati') are two
 different pieces and are comparable to
 synonyms in everyday language. And their own
 meanings are determined by the meaning of the
 accompanying words, situation-context, etc. ³⁷⁹

- 336a.) Words which are means of the understanding
 336b) (of the meaning of the sentence) for each
 individual person are not necessarily directly
 connected to their thing-meant. ³⁸⁰

- ✓ 337. (The Mīmāṃsaka raises an objection) :-

Even when there is no comprehension of meaning
 (from a word) or a wrong meaning is comprehended,
 such words remain fixedly connected to their
 own meanings.

338. (Therefore he re-states the 'ṣ'rutārthapatti-view'
 stated in 328a and b) :-

When the word 'dvāraṃ' (door or way) ~~in the~~
~~accusative~~ in the accusative is heard either

(the meaning)

(the meaning) 'close' or 'allow to enter' is obtained according to the situation-context, in accordance with the intention of the speaker.

339. (An objection is raised by the Mīmāṃsaka to the view raised in 329b and 330a) :-

Since a word (like 'vrkṣaḥ') symbolises a means (ie, the word-meaning which is the means to the realisation of the meaning of the sentence) and is connected to an existent (as its meaning), it cannot convey the meaning (of a sentence like 'vrkṣastisthati') which is principal and is to be accomplished.

340. (The Mīmāṃsaka re-states the S'rutārthapatti-position) :-

Therefore it (ie, the word 'vrkṣaḥ'), having expressed its meaning alone, retires with expectancy; and its meaning which is connected (to another meaning) brings to light the proximity (of the latter).³⁸¹

341. (The Grammarian criticises the Mīmāṃsaka's view) :-
Since the other meaning is not specifically given, the proximity of another word cannot be obtained from the word; nor the proximity of the word

from the meaning of the uttered word; nor the proximity of the meaning (of the unuttered word) from the (uttered) word.

342. (Another criticism is made by the Mīmāṃsaka):-

If the verb whose form has, so to speak, disappeared is also brought to light by the word (in the accusative) which conveys (the idea of) the object, ^{as primary ideas} then there shall be the simultaneous presence (in the same word) of 'be^coming' and 'existence' (ie, the verbal and the nominal notions).³⁸²

343a. (The Grammarian replies):-

The verb is described by them (ie, by the Teachers of the school of Grammar) as having a form similar to the noun.

343b. But usage is dis^tinguished on the evidence of the principle of ~~constant~~ association and (absence of) dissociation.

344a. Even when there is doubt (as to the proper meaning of a word), due to the (sameness of) ^{its} forms, the expresiveness of the word is not affected.

344b. Just as the meaning of (the expression) 'arddham pas'oh' (Half of the sacrificial animal) is decided ^{so is it (ie, the expressiveness)} is decided.

on the basis of the factor of competency.

345.) (Another objection against the Akhaṇḍa-position):-

346.) If all 'existence-words' (ie, nouns) are linked with 'becoming' (ie, the verbal notion) in combination, and have no separate meanings as isolates, then all such (statements of grammar) as 'a verb 'primarily denotes an action', 'nouns 'primarily denote existence' and 'there are four kinds of words' stand contradicted.

347. Vārttakṣa and ^uAṣṭumbarāyana hold that there are no four classes of words, when it is considered that the sentence is real (only) in the mind, and that its being linked with word-meanings is only (a matter of) ordinary practice. ³⁸³

348. In life and in grammar, the description (of a sentence) in terms of words, ^{as being} (both) wide (in its use) and (also) easy is artificially employed, following (the technique of) analysis. ³⁸⁴

349. In life, listeners do not obtain (the meaning of the sentence) through (the sentence) being linked to word-meanings. Therefore other than the sentence, there is nothing which is not (a mere matter of) ordinary practice. ³⁸⁵

350. The meaning of words not determinable (by themselves) because of the lack of specification in their forms is determined only from the sentence on the basis of evidence stated elsewhere.
351. (A discussion of the problem of rules and exceptions):—
An exception which is 'verbally' made in a general rule, (ie, which forms part of the significance of the general rule) but apparently without a verbal statement of it, is stated separately in a statement of exception and its meaning accrues elsewhere (ie, to the general ^{rule} ³⁸⁵ statement).
352. The injunction about sour-milk for Brāhmins is previously made excluding the Mātharas (and the statement of) the Māthara being connected with curds declares this as a real fact.
353. It is considered by some that a rule and an exception form one sentence even if they have several ^{verbs} ~~words~~. Only, they appear to be different sentences.
354. Thus a restriction or prohibition forms part of the general injunction; and since this is so commentators say that the prohibition of 'luk' (in Pāṇini Chapter VI) forms part of the enjoining of 'luk' in Chapter 2.
355. (Here the upholder of the doctrine that such sentences

are really distinct intervenes):-

When the sentences have no expectancy (for anything outside) and are at rest so to speak, they are independent of one another. Therefore, in the absence of a relation of one being for the sake of the other, how can they together form one sentence ?

356. (The upholder of the view that the two form one sentence replies):-

A special rule causes a sentence-remainder (ie, the prohibitory sentence here) to be inferred because it (the special rule) needs it. Therefore, there is in the object to be prohibited as much expectancy as there is in the object of the special rule.

357. (The recognition of parts in a word is equally meaningless):-

There is no elision of part of a proper name.

A proper name which is formed in a particular shape does not cease to be in that shape.

358a. Another name is not conveyed from (the use of) any other name like 'Datta'.

358b. How can the word 'Datta' ^{name} the 'person-named' ^{called} ~~denote~~ ^{called} 'Devadatta' ?

359. Some hold that all the parts of a name are as much connected to the 'person-named' as the totality (of the word) is.
360. (Two objections are raised against this view):-
In that case the syllables of a proper name will be meaningful through the 'person-named'.
- 360b. (Further) it is the parts as they are connected (to the whole) which are names; (in other words) they are not names when they do not form parts (of the whole).³⁸⁶
361. (To re-state this objection):-
Since the 'person-named' is related to all parts at the same time, it cannot be conveyed by something which looks like one part.
362. (Another view on the subject is given):-
According to some people recollection of the aggregate (of the parts) is brought about by a part. (And) the word which thus becomes an object of recollection conveys the meaning of the aggregate (ie, itself).
363. (This view is criticised):-
(But), through a part (of the word) how can there come about a recollection of the aggregate which is

different from it ? How can a word which is
recollected convey a meaning . 387

364. (The author's doctrine is stated):-

Words which have the appearance of being parts of
a name, and have their own marks (for
distinguishing them) are fixed (as parts) in the
name because they are produced along with it.

365. words (like 'Deva' and 'Datta') which are ambiguous
in meaning due to their having a common form (for
different meanings), which, nevertheless convey
(through combination) a fixed meaning (namely
Devadatta) by virtue of their fixed capacity and
are, therefore, considered correct usage are
enjoined for elision and the like in grammar. 388

366. (But) parts like 'jye' (from 'jyestha', for instance)
'drā' (from 'drākṣā', for instance) and 'ghā' (from
'magnā', for instance) are not valid (as capable of
conveying the meaning of the whole), although they are
also produced simultaneously with the whole words.
These are not (therefore) mentioned in the
enumeratory section (of grammar).

367. Words like 'kharanaga' are technically immutable
after the change (of 'n') into 'ṇ' is effected.

They are considered as correct forms because they convey the idea of integral objects. ³⁸⁹

368. They (the proper names) are described as clan-names; and since they possess the power of proper names, they do not necessarily require an (external) cause to aid them to convey their meanings.
369. Sometimes the use of a proper name is limited to one 'named' for (convenience of) usage. But the word-meaning relation is permanent in the case of (proper names) 'Dittha' and the like as in the case of (words like) 'gauh'.
370. And in grammar (technical terms) 'vrddhi' and the ^{bear} like, (with their meanings) a relation which is (fundamentally) ~~is~~ not begun (by any agent), but, which is characterised by a particularisation in its function as in the case of (the relation between a qualifier and a qualified). ³⁹⁰
371. Some everyday proper names function through their forms aided by ^{causal} ~~causal~~ factors; others in the absence of such.

374. The long technical terms used in grammar depend on their forms (in conveying their meaning). And inference reveals the presence of causal factors (aiding the understanding of the meaning of these terms).³⁹¹

375. (On repeating such a long technical term as an experiment to understand its relation with its parts) the inference is either made on the basis of the same-ness of form, that it is a repetition (of the same word); or that they are two different words; or that there is a difference in the aspect of the functioning of the same word).³⁹²

376a. (Two kinds of technical terms used in grammar are discussed):-

In some places (in grammar) coined technical terms are used with different significations.³⁹³

376b. In the Sūtra on numbers the same technical term (namely 'saṁkhyā') is used as a coined one and as a natural one.³⁹⁴

377. (Sometimes) a term with a non-technical sense when uttered might extend in application as a coined one. It is in this way that both are understood from the statement 'dūrātsambuddhi'.³⁹⁵

378. (The following discussion is ^{whether} ~~when~~ the verb in a sentence with a collective subject refers to the individual or ^{to the} group) :-
 The verb (ie, the verbal meaning) (in a sentence) is considered by some to be connected to a group, or an individual or a dvandva ^{compound} (as the subject), depending upon its 'meaning-capacity'. 396

379. Eating, both in regard to the result of the act and the act itself is accomplished by the individual. Considered otherwise the meaning of verb cannot be understood. 397

380. All (the brāhmins) undertake the action of eating which assumes such forms as the taking of food, etc., ^{and} which has the satisfaction of hunger as its result individually unlike actions such as dancing.

381. Like (the ceremony of) washing of feet the verb 'bhuj' ('to eat') remains attached to individuals because of its 'meaning-capacity'. Unlike a lamp, 398
 the verb 'bhuj' does not accomplish its purpose (namely, satisfying hunger) on a group-basis. 399

382. On the other hand a verb like 'drs' ('to see') although it is stated only once (in a sentence with

a plural subject) functions, in bringing about the actions of such kind (as are in their appropriate places) as pertaining to the group without their being repeated.

383. As for the aspects of performance, etc., (namely, holding the food, heating it, *etc.*, which unite to make up the act of cooking), the different aspects of the agents (ie, Devadatta, the pot and the fire), which have different tasks to perform unite to accomplish the meaning (of the verb). 400
384. The technical term 'vrddhi' refers individually to its 'symbolised', namely, 'ā', 'ai', and 'au' since supporting examples are obtainable from life and evidence is seen in grammar. 400
385. In the matter of taking 100 (pieces as a fine from Gargas), since the prime sense lies in the fining which has the hundred as its object, although there is a qualitative distinction between the individuals-to-which-the meaning (of the word 'Gargāḥ')-refers, this countable meaning is not divided up. 401
386. When considered from the view-point that names are given to 'the named' (as different from the view that

the relation between a name and 'the named' is time-less), in the case of terms 'samāsa' ('compound') and 'abhyasta' ('reduplicated'), they refer in common to the aggregate (of the components of the words) to which they are used to refer.

387. When an instruction in reference to an action is made in regard to certain persons mentioning them in a representative capacity, the statement is considered to refer to them (both) in a collective and individual capacity.

388. -just as in the sentence 'Vṛṣalas must not enter this house', the entry (of Vṛṣalas) individually and collectively is prohibited. ⁴⁰²

389. When a collective prohibition of an action like coveting wealth is made, the application (of the prohibition to the individual) is not prevented on the grounds that they have not been severally prohibited.

390. The change of 'n' into 'ṇ' (in words) takes place in spite of the intervention of aṭ, ku, pu, ān ~~and~~ etc ~~because~~ because the mention of these has the representative significance of 'intervention' ⁴⁰³

391. (The discussion on the act of eating is resumed):-

When the act of eating is begun for the satisfaction of the eaters does it not satisfy them without difference in place, time, etc ?

392. That single one (act of eating) to which plurality is attributed due to the difference of the plates (used) and the like is alternatively considered (by an opposite school) as being really different but assumed to be one.

393. When the action of eating is performed collectively, but is stated individually ⁴⁰⁴ then they eat together having each taken his own food separately.

394. (The sentence 'Gargāḥ s'atam dandyanantam' (385) is again discussed):-

Because there is no scope for successive reference, ⁴⁰⁵ because another number will contradict the sentence, and because it is impossible for the verb to have a dual application (ie to the individual and to the group), the word 's'atam' ('hundred') is located in the group.

395. When eating 'with others' is prescribed by a dvandva-
compound or ^{by a 'one-remaining'} ~~an ekas'esa~~, there also the meaning of the

sentence terminates both in the individual and in the group because of its representative significance.

396. Some consider that the constituent clauses (of ^a the compound sentence) each accomplish^{es} their~~its~~ meanings separately and in this way the compound sentence is a collection of clauses (each) linked with a different form.
397. There are no separate clauses which are presented ^{sentence} by the compound, (during its utterance). (Only), after the latter is uttered, these others, which are parts are recognised. ⁴⁰⁶
398. (The Akṣapāda-vādin in this connection criticises the Pāda-vādin):-
To those, according to whom the total meaning of the sentence culminates ⁴⁰⁷ in the parts (ie in the words) individually, what is the need for the existence of a separate word-meaning?
399. If the sentence-meaning which is formed out of them (ie, the words) culminates in the separate parts (ie, the words) of the sentence, then either it contradicts the original word-meanings or coexists with them.

- 400a. If they co-exist then there shall be incompatibility between the qualified and the unqualified. ⁴⁰⁸
- 400b. (And) in the dropping of its meaning (by the word) the relation (between word and meaning) shall have become inconstant.
401. (The Akhandavādin's notion of the sentence-meaning culminating collectively is discussed):-
The expressible meaning of the sentence which is common (to all the words) and which is established word by word exists in the aggregate and also in the component parts as is shown by the proximity (of the components with each other). ⁴⁰⁹
402. Just as there is the sense of possession, the (meritorious) result of giving and perfect happiness (for a group) in a common wealth, ~~like~~ ^{similar} this is the relation borne to meaning by those (ie the sentence and its parts) possessing it. ⁴¹⁰
403. (In this connection the topic ~~is discussed~~ that case-endings are added to the aggregate of the letters and not to each letter, in a word, is discussed):-
If the letters are individually meaningful then by virtue of the same meaning, it is in the

aggregate which possesses it and not individually that the singular suffix is added.⁴¹¹

404. Just as several people see a common treasure with one lamp, similarly grammatical number is expressed by one case-ending.

405a. (Therefore) meaningfulness does not exclusively belong to letters, words or sentences.

405b. (But this does not contradict the ^{Akhaṇḍa-}view stated originally that meaningfulness resides in the sentence); ~~to, anupāyāna~~ is when a person is accustomed to a view, other views appear to be incompatible with it (but only appear to be so).

406. (The essential condition for a word to convey its meaning is discussed):-

A word does not convey its meaning without its being employed (for it). It is considered that the relationship between the meaning and the word conveying it has utterance as its gateway.

407. Just as the eye serves for seeing, only when directed (towards the object), so the word expresses its meaning only when it is uttered-with-intention.

408. The relation between the 'instrument' and 'object' is found to be effected through the intervention of the verbal action (between them); similarly utterance governs the relation between a word and its meaning.
409. When several meanings may be conveyed by one word and several words may convey one meaning, a word operates on that meaning towards which the speaker directs it. ⁴¹²
410. Some say that Vedic words are meaningless when they are repeated (for practice) and when they are being taught to others they have their forms as their meaning. ⁴¹³
411. Those who uphold the doctrine of the sameness of the word throughout all the instances of its occurrence consider these same (Vedic words) as expressing (a 'thing-meant' as their) meaning (when they are employed in sacrificial actions) due to the difference in (the purpose of) their utterance, and due to their being (thus) directed otherwise. ⁴¹⁴
412. Those who consider that the word is different in every so-called instance of its occurrence, hold that these are really different words and are only

treated under one class-form as, for instance, the words 'akṣa' and others are.⁴¹⁵

413. (Therefore, according to them), the speaker has not got to aim the word at the meaning (it is to convey) apart from (merely) uttering it. Because a word has the fixed capacity to ~~mean~~^{denote} a particular object, it remains ~~located~~^{connected} to that meaning.⁴¹⁶

414. (And) it is the (real) difference (between apparently identical words) which is understood from (factors like) the meaning of another word, and situation-context and not at all the employment of words-with-one-meaning in another meaning.

415. Our discussion is about the sentence, which appears as a word and is dependent on the verb 'asti' (for its character^{of} being a sentence); and not about a word which is part of a sentence.⁴¹⁷

416. Just as (according to ^{the Pada-} ~~the~~ School) letters which individually have no meanings present a specific word-meaning, similarly (according to our school) words which have no meanings (of their own) present (the sentence which has^a specific meaning.

417. That cognition of the meaning of ~~the~~ words, which arises in the interim is a means to the understanding (of the meaning of the sentence), since we do not understand (the meaning of the sentence) in the beginning.⁴¹⁸
418. The nature of the meaning of the sentence is discussed. First the view ^{according to} ~~held by~~ the ~~Anvitābhidyāna-~~^{vāda} school of the Mīmāṃsaka is stated):-
At the time when the meaning (of each subsequent words) is associated with the meaning of the preceding words, the coalescence (of the individual word-meanings) resides as an accomplished fact in these word-meanings.⁴¹⁹
419. According to some, the means is implied in the object which is to be effected. The actual mentioning of the case-relationships again is to restrict ~~their~~ sphere-of-operation.
420. Without this restriction of the sphere-of-operation no direct implication of it (ie, the means) appears. It has a possible existence through potentiality and the actual mention of it is to rule out other (possibilities).
421. The action, (which is the meaning of the verb), which is

different from other actions and the means of which has a specific sphere-of-operation (ie, itself), is here stated (as the meaning of the sentence). words (used in the sentence) are for the hearers to understand the meaning (of the sentence).

422. (The Akhanda-position about the sentence and its meaning is stated):-

According to others the sentence as well as its meaning is an integral entity revealed by the words which are in a certain order, but it itself does not show the order of the words.

423. We do not investigate the real nature of that which (obviously) has a form of its own. It is only when a thing does not have such a form that we seek for its essential nature.

424. There are others who think that the understanding of the meaning of the sentence is not through words. The words only give rise to a mental recollection which has the appearance of the meaning (of the sentence).⁴²⁰

425. (Illustration for the notion that the real nature of things can be different from what one understands from words):-

The burnt man understands burn^{ing} in a certain way from his contact with fire; but the meaning 'burning' is conveyed by the word 'burning' in a different way.

426. Just as the sense organs which possess separate principles, and act on their objects independently of each other cannot function except through the body,
427. - similarly words which are ^{fixed} ~~located~~ in their meanings independently of each other have no meaningfulness apart from sentences.
428. The meaning of the sentence is grasped as of the nature of a synthesis, when the individual word-meanings are in mutual association. Its essential nature is not presented (at the individual word-meanings), ^{since} ~~because~~ it is seen as not being of the form of the word-meanings. ⁴²¹
429. A perception is not identical with its actual constituents (ie, the sense-data); and similarly that form^{less} one (ie, the meaning of the sentence) is understood in the form of the synthesis of the word-meanings.
430. (Yet another argument to prove that the meaning of

the sentence is conveyed only by the sentence):-

Since a fact is conveyed either as existent or as non-existent, only a sentence is used to convey it. ⁴²²

✓ 431. (The point is further clarified):-

~~The~~ 'Word-meaning', whether positive, or negative, is not in practice understood without its being associated with a verb. Therefore it does not exist.

432. The statement 'existence' (which is a one-word-sentence) is not understood in the form 'there is existence' or 'there is ^{no} non-existence' except through its association to the mention of a verb.

433. When the meaning-expressed-by-a-verb is connected with nominal accessories, its expectancy is not satisfied without the mention of the 'existence-idea' (ie, the meaning of the nominal accessories). ⁴²³

434. The action-part of the meaning of a sentence is first picked out because of its primacy. The nominal accessories used to effect the objective-to-be-accomplished (ie, the verbal action) are (therefore) secondary. However, the effect which the action (itself) brings about is its ^{own} result (for instance, the satisfaction of hunger in the case of the verb 'bhuj').

435. It is only the speaker who conceives the notion of ends ^{and} means or desires to construe the meaning (of the sentence) as a system of relations (between the end and means)⁴²⁴.
436. The action ^{of} 'cooking' is taken as an object in (the sentence) 'I do cooking'. And when 'cooking' is expressed as the action-meaning of a verb, it is seen as an-objective-to-be-accomplished.⁴²⁵
437. With whatever use (in view) a meaning is sought to be conveyed by the speaker, that meaning is established like that (in that context), because a meaning has several capacities.⁴²⁶
438. Sometimes ^a connection (or contact) is said to exist between ~~the~~ things which exist far from each other ; and sometimes things in contact appear as being apart.
440. The separation of the (really) united, the union of
441. the (really) separated, the unity of the (really) diverse and the diversity of the (really) single, - (in this way) things are established (as existing in opposition), either because they have many forms or have no forms. The only binding factor (in the determination of what is meant whenever reference is made to them) is the word because it has its capacity fixed.⁴²⁷

442. A word is only a designation of an object, not an expression of (the essential nature of) such an object. It is not possible for words to ~~equal~~^{touch} (ie, to express the nature of) objects.
443. (Two examples are given to illustrate the point):-
It is a 'conjunction' which is an attribute of the conjoined which is named by the word for it (ie the word 'Samyoga'). Again, it is a relation which is implied in (the relation of) conjunction which is named 'Samavāya' ('unseparable connection').⁴²⁸
444. Objects are known not in their intrinsic nature, but as they are described. The same object is described in different ways according to the use to which it is put.²²⁸
445. The set-of-relationships (of the word-meanings) which resides in the meaning of the sentence is not localised in any part (of the sentence). But in discussions (ie, in every-day language) men talk of it as the self of the word-meanings.
446. Or it (ie, the meaning of the sentence) is not really localised anywhere in the individual word-meanings or in the aggregate. (Only), it is apparently divided into the word-meanings.

447. By that analysis (of the sentence) undertaken to explain it as a means of understanding it, there is presented another meaning (ie, the meaning of the sentence) the parts of which, when analysed show expectancy for one another.
448. It is the single (sentence-meaning) possessing several meaning-capacities that is considered as divided (on the basis of these capacities). That the meaning of the sentence is a single (entity) is understood from sentences of a small measure (ie, having a single word, for instance).⁴²⁹
449. It is a meaning which is external to the conceptual meaning which is analysed whether such (external-meaning) is real or not. The division of the meaning after it is (thus) externalised is characterised by the analysis of the component-faculties (ie, the word-meanings)
450. Even when there are several finite verbs (in it), a sentence is one, if they are mutually expectant. The prohibition of the dropping of accent in a finite verb preceded by other finite verbs is thus meaningful.⁴³⁰
451. As regards him (ie, Kātyāyana the author of the

Varttika) who has fixed the characteristic of a sentence as having (only) one finite verb; his stipulation of 'one finite verb' does not mean that the meaning of a sentence (which has several finite verbs) is divided since there are several sentences (as the opponent might wrongly argue).⁴³¹

452. In ^{the case of} (sentences) where (the verb) is linked to another verb, or alternatively is linked to another word (which is) linked to the first verb, eg, the sentence 'mrgah pas'yata yati' the explanation that the sentence is (exclusively) one or several does not hold.⁴³²

453. (The question what makes a sentence complete is discussed):-

That sentence in which there is expectancy for the means (or the action stated) because of the nature of its meaning, (but) which has no expectancy on the word-level is (also) described to be complete in meaning.⁴³³

454. When a mere statement of a thing is made (in a sentence) and there is something connected with it, (even then) the sentence is complete from verbal (completeness) without that (something) being stated.

455. In the two sentences 'Recite while moving about' or 'Move about while reciting', although there is no difference in the significance of the two, a distinction (as to whether 'kram' ^(to move about) is primary or secondary) can be gathered from the verbal form. 434
456. (If usages differ when meaning remains the same, sometimes meaning ^{do not} also differs when usages differ):- Actions which have (different) effects and are dependent on other (subsidiary) actions (which help their performance) are conveyed by the same verb-form, without their being considered with (particular) reference to the method (of their performance) or their effects. 435
457. It is (in general and) ^{as} divorced from (particular) differences that all actions are expressed by verbs. It is impossible to distinguish the differences (between actions) from their sentential forms.
458. In examples like 'as'vamedhena yakṣyante rājānaḥ' and 'satram āsate brāhmaṇāḥ', the difference is not conveyed by the verb-forms used.
459. The verb mentioned once, without repetition, with reference to the 17 victims for Prajāpati, is divided (so as to apply to each of the 17) by virtue of its

potential significance. ⁴³⁶

460. (In the sentence 'Devadatta^{yajña} datta^{vi}spumitrā bhojyantāṃ') either the action, 'eating' is concluded in (each of the subjects) Devadatta, etc singly, or the sentence is split up (into three sentences) in terms of the (three) subjects). ⁴³⁷
461. Sentences, when uttered are received in a certain form; and when understood are presented in a different form.
462. ⁴³⁸ The Sūtra 'Kartavya' is a sentence which (at first) conveys a meaning in general. It then is particularised into (statements about particular objects like) an animal, etc.
463. (In fact such a comprehension of the meaning of a sentence ^{at} ~~by~~ a subsequent reading is necessary):- If the expectancy about a thing which causes it is satisfied by listening to it once, then it (ie, the ^{thing} meaning) cannot be connected with another (thing) by any means.

464. Thus a sentence which is finally a unity, but has several meanings and is thus a substratum for, ^{the} and source of, component sentences, remains as it were non - different from them.
465. In some places a verb accomplishes its objective in terms of particulars, (subject, object, etc), while in some others it accomplishes it in general terms. ⁴³⁹
466. Those distinctions (in verbs) which are distinctions of tense and distinctions such as are caused by words like 'ustrāsikā' do not cause the essential verbal word to be divided (in its signification) when it is used to denote its action-meaning as a class.
467. (The converse case to that stated in 466 is ^{the case of} stated here, that is, ^h a sentence in which there is one noun form and several verbal forms):-
When in a sentence the nominal form is mentioned only once and there are verbs different from each other by virtue of their class, etc., then the verbs are related to it separately provided there is numerical parity (between the verbs and the meanings of the nouns),

468. — just as to a word like 'akṣah' verbs like 'bhanj' ('break'), 'bhakṣ' (eat) and 'div' (gamble), different from each other are separately connected, even where there is no difference in the time of the utterance of the word (so far as the verbs are concerned) (ie, although there is only a single utterance of the word).⁴⁴⁰

469. (The same idea is discussed according to the principle of tantra) :-
Words like 'akṣah' which are capable of being used under a common form are used in that way. Their having the same form is the basis (of such use). These same words when separated from each other are used in succession; when used with a common form they are uttered in one.⁴⁴¹

470. There are two established methods in which different words are used. They are succession and union, and nobody bypasses these two.

471a. Words employed one after another have different forms; but words used in union have the same form.⁴⁴²

471b. But even when words are used in union, the verb follows the pattern of their successive use.

- 472a. These two powers (of words), namely, the power to remain apart or to be in union appear as if they do not belong to words (while, in truth, they are powers inherent in them).
- 472b. Even when several words are uttered under a common form the utterance is split severally (by the comprehending listener).
473. (A different way of interpreting the word 'akṣaṇ' in the above-mentioned sentence is given):-
When it is desired to describe a composite of several meanings (like the meaning of the word 'akṣaṇ') in terms of its components, then the relationships which the latter have (namely, being connected with the appropriate verbs from the verb-group, etc) are associated with the composite meanings. ⁴⁴³
474. (Yet other ways of looking at the problem are stated):-
On explaining words (like 'akṣaṇ') in terms of the components they lend themselves for being split for use in the individual sentences (formed from the composite utterance 'akṣaṇ bhakṣyantāṃ, bhojyantāṃ, divyantāṃ'). Or the word with its number altered, lends itself for use in the individual sentences. ⁴⁴⁴

475a. (The two alternatives are stated in reverse order):-
 There the word 'akṣa' is used in the singular
 number. ⁴⁴⁵

475b. Or the word is used in its plural number in the
 individual sentences. ⁴⁴⁶

476. (The problem of the sentence with two meanings is
 approached from the point of view of the Akhaṇḍa-
 school):-

According to those who uphold the sameness of the
 word (s'abda), the meaning-capacity of the single
 sentence is divided on the basis of the difference
 (in the aspects) of that capacity; ^{such} in sentences
^{as} which have two meanings. ⁴⁴⁷

477. (The upholders of the Bheda-school ^{doctrine} hold a different
 view on this):-

Or we have there the use of two entirely different
 statements, (the means of such use) being the
 employment of a common form; the coalesced form is
 split according to the 'understander'.

478. (The same point as in 477):-

Two words which have the same form and which were
 originally apprehended as different are used in

such a way that the listeners are ^{made} ~~caused~~ to apprehend them by the speaker under a common form.

479a. (In this stanza the view of a section of the Bheda school is considered) :-

One of the two (words possible to be conveyed by a common form) is intended by the speaker; the other is conveyed incidentally.

479b. Without such intention on the part of the speaker the word will work with (both) meaning-capacities.

480. Sometimes several capacities of the same thing are made use of at the same time. Fire is used in the same place both for heat and for light.

481. (The views of the Bheda and Abheda schools are again summarised) :-

On hearing once a sentence which conveys several meanings, either through its being repeated or through the exercise of different powers, (respectively according to the Bheda and Abheda views) it presents itself as being divided either through evidence got from other passages or through the principle that several capacities reside in the same word form.

482. In the case of the term 'Samprasāraṇa' the distinction (as to its application to) the letter or the sentence on the evidence of other Sūtras is quite properly included in that one Sūtra. ⁴⁴⁸
483. (An example how the Mahābhāṣya ~~makes use of the~~ makes use of the principle of tantra is discussed):- Similarly it is described in the Bhāṣya itself that in the aphorism (of Pāṇini) 'dvirvacane'ci' there is through the mentioning of a thing once (the conveying of its occurrence twice) on the principle of tantra. ⁴⁴⁹
484. (The next few stanzas trace the history of Sanskrit grammar):-
When the Saṃgraha falling in the hands of such grammarians as had a tendency to summarise and had only a limited knowledge, became almost forgotten,
- 485) -and Patañjali, the master who was learned in all
486a) Vedic lore composed the Mahābhāṣya, the ^{source} ~~sentence~~
486b) of all principles, unfathomable because of its
profundity, ^(and) shallow (ie, clear) because of its
excellence of style, the uneducated could not
comprehend its meaning.

487. And then, when that sacred text, which was ^athe criticism ~~the~~ adversary of ^{he}Samgraha was submerged by Baiji, Saubhava and Haryakṣa, ⁴⁵⁰the followers of dry logic,
488. - the science of grammar which (thus) slipped away from the disciples of Patañjali in course of time came to survive only in Southern versions.
489. And then the texts were procured from the mountains and the science of grammar once again made the multi-branched one (that it was) by the teacher Candrar and others who were followers of the principles of the Mahābhāṣya. ⁴⁵¹
490. This summary of the science (of grammar) was composed by my teacher after learning the various other systems and our own system. ⁴⁵²
491. Here (ie, in Cantos I and II) only the bare essentials of a few systems are given. There will be a study in detail in Canto III.
492. Thought becomes clear by a study of different systems of thought. What points can possibly be contradicted by him who learns (only) his system. ⁴⁵³
493. The knowledge of people who imagine things to be such and such, without (relying on) the ancient science (in interpreting them) and who have not studied the older teachers, will not be very clear.

P A R T I I I .

Notes.

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Abbreviations.

Errata (n) -

N O T E S .

- #1 1. Is'vara Kṛpā : Sāṅkhyakārikā 3
Mādhavācārya : Sarvadars'anasamgraha
 (Bibliotheca Indica) Chapter 14 - p.149
 (Translation: E.B. Cowell and A.E. Gough, : p.223)
 (London 1944, Re-issue)
Tattvasamāsa: III 25. (Trans: P. Max Muller ^{The} Six Systems of Indian Philosophy (1899, 2nd ed.) pp. 26-321.
2. Bādarāyana. Vedānta Sūtra I-1.2.
 Also Sāṅkara's commentary on it. (Kāśī Sanskrit Series. No. 71) pp. 97-113
3. Of the four sections of Buddhists, it is the
Mādhyanikas who hold the doctrine of a Universal
 Void, while the Yogācāra section holds the doctrine
 of an external Void.
~~(Bibliotheca Indica)~~ Sarvadars'anasamgraha, Chap. 2. p. 9
 (Cowell & Gough - pp. 14-15)
4. S'āntideva: S'ikṣāsamuccaya
 (Trans: Cecil Bendall and W.H.D. Rouse) -pp. 6, 7 & 197.
 (London. 1922)
4. Th. Stcherbatsky : ^{The} Soul Theory of the Buddhists
 (Bulletin of the Academy of Sciences in Russia-1920)
 p. 825.
- ^{N.}
 S. Das Gupta. A History of Indian Philosophy Vol. I (Cambridge, 1922)
~~(Cambridge, 1922)~~ pp. 153 & 158. On As'vaghosa's
 conception of soullessness as a kind of general
 consciousness (ālayavijñāna) the author says :

'This doctrine seems to be more in agreement with the view of an absolute unchangeable reality as the Ultimate truth than that of the Nihilistic Idealism of the 'Laṅkāvatāra' - p.138.

- 4a. In the Thesis, as a general rule 'Grammar' and 'Grammarian' refer to Sanskrit Grammar as a system of Philosophy, and 'grammar' and 'grammarian' to Sanskrit grammar as a technical science.

5. VP.I.1-4, 119, 121, 130, ^{cf also.} Sarvadars'anasamgraha, (Biblio:Indica) pp:139-140f. (Cowell & Gough - pp:209-210).

Laghumañjūsā (Chowkhambā Sanskrit Series No:213.1929 edition p:390. ⁿ⁾

oṃkāra eva sarvā vāk : saisā spars'ośmabhir -
vyajyamānā bahvī nānārūpā bhavati .

^{San} S'ārikara on Vedānta Sūtra : 1.3.23, p.352. ityādika tatra ^{tatra}
s'abdapūrvikā sṛṣṭiḥ s'rāvyate .

K.A.Subramonia Iyer: The Doctrine of Sphoṭa, Journal of the Gaṅgānāth Jhā Institute. February 1948 - p:147.

J.R.Firth - The Tongues of Men (London, 1937) - pp:3 - 4.

S'āntaraksita. The Tattvasamgraha: stanza 128 :

(Gaekwad's Oriental Series.No.LXXXIII-Transl: Gaṅgānāth Jhā) quotes the doctrine of S'abdaBrahman for criticism

mas'otpādasamālī dham brahma s'abdamayaṃ param
yattasya parināmo'yam bhāvagrāmaḥ pratiyate.

6. VP.I. 1 & 12.

Punyarāja on 12. says : abhinnātsamhṛtakramācchaḍa-
tattvādvārṇapadavākya lakṣaṇaṃ rūpavibhāgaṃ prāptāyā
vāco'bhidheyatvenārthavibhāgoprahāṇaṃ nityenārtha-
saṃbandhena prāptāyā vacaḥ, yato vāgeva -

vibhāgenāpannā gavādirūpenāvatiṣṭhate.

7. RV X-125. Cf. R.T.H. Griffiths 'The Hymns of the Rg Veda' Vol. 4. P. 363
8. RV I-164 foot-note
- ~~S'atapathabrāhmaṇa VI.1.9~~
- ~~pañcaviṃśa VI.1.5, X.2.1, XX.14.2~~
9. Kāthaka XII.5 and ~~27.1~~ XXVII-1.
10. Vāj^{aneyi}ssamhitā IX.1
11. S'atapatha VI.1.9.
12. Pañcaviṃśa XX-14-2 ... cf also X-2-1
13. Aitareya X.1.
14. Taittirīyabrāhmaṇa II.6,4
15. Chānd^ogya II 23 3-4
- cf also Brhadāraṇyaka I.2.5
16. Gospel according to St. John - Chap. I - p: 1 & 2.
cf. also Genesis I.3.
17. See Note 6 above.
18. VP-2- yadvikāravikāri viṣaya meka tvārūpaṃ -
Puṇyārāja on above.
cf. J.R. Firth, A.S. - The Technique of Semantics
(Transactions of the Philological Society 1935) p. 38
'and change implies something permanent which changes,
the permanent persisting in and through the change'.
19. This comparison is borrowed and adapted from Pandit
(Kāshi Sanskrit Series No. 24).
Sri Sūryanārāyaṇa Ś'ukla. See his commentary on VP-2.

20. S'ankara on Vedānta Sūtra 1.3.28, p. 353.

api ca cikīrṣitamarthamanutisthastasya vācakaṃ
s'abdāṃ pūrvam smṛtvā pascāttamarthamanutisthatīti
sarveṣāṃ naḥ pratyakṣametad. tathā prajāpaterapi
brāhṁṇaḥ pūrvam vaidikāḥ s'abdā manasi
prādurbabhūvuh, pascāttadanugatanārthan saśarjati
gamyate .

Regarding words being essential for all knowledge
and action see VPI 119-130.

The Tattvasaṃgraha quotes the argument for
criticism. See Transl. Gaṅgānāth Jha - p:119.

21. VP-III. Sambandhasamuddheśa. Sr. 85
~~the first translated version~~
Quoted by Sarvadars'anasamgraha, - Chap.XIII -
p : 146 (Cowell & Gough - p:219).

Referring to the two theories on the nature of
the meaning of words held by the two ancient
grammarians Vājapyāyana and Vyādi, namely, that
words meant the Universal, and that they meant the
particular, respectively, and also to Pāṇini's view
that both were acceptable, the Sarvadars'anasamgraha
(p:146) says: 'tasmāt dvayaṃ satyaṃ; paraṃ
brahmatattvaṃ sarvas'abdārtha itī sthitham.....'

See also F. Max Muller - The Six Systems of Indian
(New York etc. (1898 Edition)
Philosophy, - p: 532.

22. VPI-133.

Also VPI-14 which describes grammar which dealing
with the exposition of words as the gateway to
liberation.

Sarvadars'anasaṅgraha - Chap. XIII - pp:146-147
(Cowell & Cough - pp:219-220).

23. VPII- 235a & b. and 237.

24. VPII- 240.

25. N āges'abhatta. Sphotavāda (Adyar) Edition) p:101. 1946.
evam ca vācyaṁ vācakaṁ ca brahmaiveti dayeṇaṁ

26. VPI.132 - Puṇyārāja on it :

iha dvau s'abdātmanau kārye nityasā; tatradhyo
vyāvanārikāḥ puruṣasya vāgātmanāḥ pratibimbopagrā-
hī antyaṣtu sarvavyavahārayoniḥ, saṁhṛtakramāḥ
sarveśāmantāḥ gannives'ī prabhavo vikārapāśas'rayaḥ.

See also VPI. 130 .

Puṇyārāja commenting on it says :-

27. ' sarvo hi vikāraṭmāmatreti keśāñciddars'anam; sa ca
pratipuruṣāmantāḥ sannivṛṣṭo bāhya iva pratyavachābāte?

cf also V. Krishnamācārya. Introduction to Sphotavāda, 'Adyar:
1946 - p:17) -

'etadeva s'abdabrahma sarvagatamāpi prāṇināṁ
nūlādhare kuṇḍalīnyāṁ jñātamārthanāṁ vivakṣoḥ pūṣa

icchayā prayatnāpūrvakam krtāvataranena pavanena
samyujyamānamabhivyaajyate.

27. cf. Sarvadars'anasamgraha (p.140) (Cowell and Gough),
pp: 209-210) using the term *Spota* to refer to
S'abdaBrahma^m.

.....jagannidānam *spota*khyo niravayavo nityah
s'abdo brahmaiveti.

cf. also S'aṅkara on the Vedānta Sūtra 1.3.28, P.353
kimātmakam punah s'abdamabhipretyedam
s'abdaprabhavaatvamucyate ? *Spota*mityāha .

28. VP. 1.144, ^{which,} however, mentions only three, *pas'yantī*,
madhyamā and *Vaikhari*. But as V.Krishnamāchārya
in his introduction to *Spota*vāda (p:18) says,
Bhartrhari is, in this context extolling the greatness
of grammar and is, thus, mentioning the three kinds
of speech which come within the province of
grammar. Even *pas'yantī*, although it is beyond
the boundaries of ordinary use contains in itself,
so far as the Yogis are concerned, a distinction
between base and suffix. Only the *Parā Vāk* is
fundamentally free from every kind of distinction.

See Laghumañjūśāvyākhyā Kālā (chowkambā Skt series No. 1929-Edictum) also 2137 179 (quoted by V. Krishnamācārya - Introduction Sphoṭavāda same page) ' tatra svaparos'rotraviṣaya^{bhaya} vaikhari ; madhyamā hrdayades'asthā padapratyakṣānupapattya vyavahārakāraṇam; pas'yanti tu lokavyavahārātita; yoginā tu tatrāpi prakṛti-pratyayavibhāgāvagatirasti; parāyā tu na.'

Puṇyārāja, commenting on the stanza says that the three kinds of speech mentioned exist in man in association with the fourth and the purely impersonal kind. He goes on to quote the oft-quoted Vedic lines 'catvāri vāk parimitā padāni tāni viduḥ brāhmaṇā ye manīṣiṇaḥ (RV I. 164.45) as referring to speech at these four stages.

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cf. Prabhā^hChandra Chakravarti : The Philosophy of Sanskrit Grammar^(Calcutta. 1930) - p:20.

The Mahābhāṣya, however, interprets this Rg Veda passage in a different way. The four kinds of vāk are described as the four parts of speech, noun, verb, prefixes and particles. See MBh Vol. I - p:3 - lines 23-26 (Edition - G. Kielhorn. Bombay)

29. VP. I. 44.

cf MBh. Vol. I - p:3 - line-18.

dve s'irṣe, dvau s'abdātmanau^h nōtyah kāryasca.

cf. Also Mbh-Vol. I - p:181

dhvanih sphoṭasca s'abdānam dhvanistu khalu lakṣyate;
alpo mahānsca keśāncidubhayam tatsvabhāvataḥ.

30. VP-I.45. This stanza, ~~however~~, states that according to the upholders of the doctrine that an effect is fundamentally different from its cause, there is a fundamental difference between ~~the~~ sphoṭa and dhvani.

31. cf. Notes 5 and 6 above and also see pages 5-17 above.

q Vyāḍi

See Saṃgraha, quoted by Puṇyārāja in his commentary on VP-I.44

"avibhaktō vibhaktebhyo jāyate rthasya vācakaḥ;

s'abdestatrārtharūpātma sambhedamupagacchati.

Sarvadarśanasaṃgraha - p:146. abhyupagatādvitīyatva-
nirvāhaya vācyavācakayoravibhāgaḥ pradars'itaḥ

(Cowell and Gough. p:219).

cf. Pandit Śrī Sūryanārāyaṇa Śūkla: Commentary on

VP-I.47 (~~Kaśī Sanskrit series 124~~) p:143.

etaduktam bhavati - bauddhasya s'abdasya

baudhenārthenādhyāsarūpātsaṃketāt bauddhas'abdarthayo-

stādātmyamupagamyate'iti bauddhe s'abde arthabodhajaⁿḥ

vācyavācakabhāvarūpā s'aktirastītyavagamyate.

On the identity between a word and its meaning cf.

(London-1921)

E. Sapir, Language p:12

'The question has often been raised whether thought is

possible without speech; further, if speech and thought be not but two facets of the same psychic process.'

32. VP. I. 46 and Panyarāja on it.

.....tathaiva s'abdhedabhāvanākhyatattvānugate
buddhitattve yoyaḥ sthānakarapādyanugr^hāto
vivartate sa vyañjakadhvanibhedānupātēna paurvā
paryavāⁿapalabhyamanah svarūpapararūpayoh
prakāś'ako bhavati

33. See page 8 above.

34. sphuṭibhavatyasmādartha iti sphoṭaḥ. The
Sarvadars'anasamgraha giving this etymology of the
word also presents another etymology, namely,
sphuṭyate (vyājyate) varṇairiti sphoṭaḥ.
Sarvadars'anasamgraha (p:141) (Cowell & Gough-p:211)
It is probably based on this latter etymology
that the term 'sphoṭa' has been translated into
English as the 'outburst of a conglomerate sound'
by Satis^{Chandra} Vidyābhūṣana (See his History of
Indian Logic^{Calcutta, 1921}, pp:131-132). But Sphoṭa is not a
sound; it is a word-unit as a meaning-conveying
element (vācaka) which is revealed by the sounds.
'Its fundamental attachment is to the other side of
the linguistic situation, namely, meaning

.....The Sphoṭa, then, is simply the linguistic sign in its aspect of meaning-carrier (Bedeutungsträger) ' (See 'Theories of General Linguistics in the Sanskrit Grammarians', a paper read by Prof. J. Brough, D.Litt., before a meeting of the Philological Society ~~at Great Britain~~, 3rd March 1951; - Unpublished)

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35. JayantaBhatta: Nyāyamañjarī āhnikā 6.
 iti vitataya vārṇā ete dhiyā viśayekrtā
 dadhati padatām vākyatvaṃ vā ta eva ca vācaka
 na ca tadaparah sphoṭah s'rotre vibhātyavabodhane
 naca vidhinato vācye buddhiṃ vidhātumasaṃ keśava
 (Kāśhī Sanskrit Series No. 106 . p:355)
 Also Satish Chandra Vidyabhushana - A History
 of Indian Logic - pp:148-149.

36. Kumārila Bhatta in his Śloka-vārttika gives a
 detailed criticism of the sphoṭa-doctrine. See
 Śloka-vārttika (Madras University Skt Series No.15).
 pp:441-474
 ittham kramagṛhītānām yugapadvāthavā parā
 sthitiḥ sa kāraṇam tu syānnityamarthadhīyaṃ prati
 A.B. (Calcutta, 1921) p:467.

Keith: Karmamīmāṃsā p:36

K.A. Subramonia Iyer: The Doctrine of Sphoṭa.

(The Journal of the Gaṅgānāth Jhā Research
Institute - Vol.V - Part 2. Feb.1948)pp:125-
126.

Of the other schools of Philosophy, the Sāṅkhya
school rejects the idea of sphoṭa as
incomprehensible. To them letters are sufficient
to express meaning 7 and as we notice no other
element apart from letters, there is no other
element. See Sāṅkhya Sūtras 5.5.7
pratītyapratītibhyaṃ na sphoṭātmakah s'abdah.
Also 5.58. na s'abdanityatvaṃ kāryabāpratīteh.
See also Max Muller : 'The Six Systems of Indian
Philosophy - p:539 - 40.

The Yoga School favours the sphoṭa-doctrine.

See YogaSūtra 3.17 and Vyāsa on it.

Max Muller 'The Six Systems of Indian Philosophy'

pp: 539-540

The Vedāntins do not agree with the Grammarians.

See S'āṅkara on Vedānta Sūtra I. 3.28 and Max

Muller - 'The Six Systems of Indian Philosophy.'

pp: 536 - 538.

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37. See Chapter 4 - pp:76-78.

38. VPI. 48, 49.

39. VPI. 75-78, 102 and 104.

cf. MS. Vol. I - p:181 - lines 13-24.

(See Note 29 above).

siddham tvavasthita varṇa vaktuścīrācīravacanādyūtiyo

(Vārṇikā)

vis'īṣyante.....evam tarhi.....sphoṭasca

tāvāneva bhavati dhvaniḥ kṛtā vṛddhiḥ .

dhvani sphoṭasca.....

.....tatsvabhāvatāḥ

40. See ^{Note} 39 above.

41. VPI. 46. tadvacchabdo'pi buddhisthah s'rutinam
kāraṇam pṛthak

47. kāraṇebhyo vivṛttena dhvaninā so ' nūgrhyate

48. nādasya kramajātatvāt.....

42. VPI. 113.

and Pandit Śrī Sūryanārāyaṇa Śūkla on it (112. in his text)

43. VPI. 48.

44. VPI. 75, 76, 102.

45. VPI. 77, 78, 102

46. VPI. 77.

47. VPI. 75, 76.

cf. Puṇyārāja on VPI 83

evam varṇapada vākya viṣayaḥ

prayatnavis'eṣasādhyā dhvanayah

varṇapadaavākya^ṁākhyān sphoṭān punaḥ punarā -
virbhāvayanto buddhiśvadyāropayanti. ~~==~~

The prakṛtadhvani which reveals the sphoṭa is a
produced entity - a product of the activity of
the speech-organs and the speech-centres.

Also Puṇyarāja on VP. 79.

tatra ke^ṇcin^{na}manya^ḥ dhvanirutpadya-

manah s'rotram saṁskurvañcchabdopalabdihau dvaratam
pratipadyate.

The dhvani referred to in the stanza and by
Puṇyarāja, also includes the prakṛtadhvani, since
it is a dhvani which does the function of revealing
(abhivyañjana) s'abda (sphoṭa) and it is
utpadyamāna (produced).

48. VP. 82.

49. This is the significance of the akhaṇḍavākya-sphoṭa
(the indivisible sentence as the most complete
meaning-conveying unit) being placed at the very top
of a series of meaning-conveying units starting
from varṇasphoṭa (the letter as a meaning-conveying
unit) onwards.

50. VP. 7, 8, 9, 13, 57, 58a- 61.

Puṇyarāja on 7 above

yathā vākyaṁ nirvibhagaṁ

sphoṭalakṣaṇaṁ vācakaṁ tathā

vākya'rtho'pi tathāvidha eva itya -
 nayorekayogakṣematvanuktaṃ.

cf. Alan H. Gardiner ^{The} Theory of Speech and Language ^(Oxford-1932)
 pp: 62-63

'Not the least important conclusion which will emerge from our discussion is that 'the word' is the unit of language, whereas the sentence is 'the unit of speech'. Compare the statement that 'the word is the unit of language to p:22 above - para 1).

51. VP:II 327a, b, ~~==~~ ^{and} 328a, ^{1949.} 430-434.

52. A. De Groot, Word ^{1949.} Vol. 5 No. 1 - p:3
 B. Malinowski ^{their} (Coral Gardens and Magic, Vol. II ^(London-1935) p. 2.2.)

however, says that 'a one-word sentence such as a command 'come', 'go', 'rise', a 'yes' or 'no' may under exceptional circumstances be significant through its context of situation only. Usually a one-word sentence will have to be explained by connecting it with utterances which preceded ^{it} or followed ^{which} it.

53. VP:II- 10

Introduction to

(4th Edition: London, 1900)

54. A. H. Sayce. ^h The Science of Language Vol. I ^h - p: 112

55. VP:II- 13.

56. VP:II- 7-13.

57. VP-I- 91, 92, 93.

58. See Note 50 above.

above.

59. See Note 55_k. Also VPI. 85, II. 57.

The listener is as important as the speaker in the scheme of the concept of sphoṭa. In fact, since sphoṭa is primarily conceived as an integral meaning-
_kconveying element, the question can be considered primarily to be approached from the listener's angle.

See Note 54 above. However, the question of the integral nature of the sentence at the receiving end is complementary to the question of its integral nature at the speaker's end. Hence the Sphoṭa-vādin's concept of an integral speech-entity being revealed as an integral meaning-conveying entity.

60. VPI. 52.

Puṇyarāja on it: yathā mūrtyāntarasya
 puruṣādermūtirālikhitumistā kramo^{pa}labdhāpyeka-
buddhiviśayatvaṃ prāpta patakadyādisu
 kramenākriyate, tathā vyāvahāriko vaikharirūpaḥ
 s'abdhā kramagrāhyo^{pi} pratisaṃhṛtakramāḥ
ekabuddhiviśayo bhūtvā niravayavākramarūpeṇa
buddhiviśayo^ṇ antaḥkarane bhūtvāntaḥkaraṇavṛttirū-
padhvanidharmapratipatyā punarapi vyāvahāra-
 mavatarati.

Contrast: The (London. 1924)
 Otto Jespersen _kPhilosophy of Grammar_k

'Apart from fixed formulas a sentence does not spring into a speaker's mind all at once, but is framed gradually as he goes on speaking'.

cf. this view with the definition of the sentence as 'a sequence of the words' - see p:55 above.

Contrast this view with: Alan H. Gardiner: The Theory of Speech and Language - p:29 -

'And is it not, at first sight a plausible view that words constitute the whole truth of speech?'

61. Sphoṭacandrikā (Reprint. Chowkhambā Sanskrit Series Benares, 1929) p.9.

tatrākhaṇḍaḥ padātirikto 'khaṇḍapadavyangyo
lāghavātsavikriyate.

62. VP.II. 58a and b.

63. See pp.20-24 above.

64. VP.II. 62.

65. Ṛgveda-prātis'ākhyā II . 1.

66. VR.II. 59a and b. The Taittirīya-prātis'ākhyā III.1

considers the Saṃhitā as the original ^{text} ^{to}

The same V. 2 takes the Pada text as the original ^{one}

cf. Siddheswar Varma: Critical Studies in the Phonetic Observations of Indian Grammarians (London 1929) - p:24 .

67. VP.II.59a and b .

Puṇyārāja on VP.II.59b - ekhaṇḍapakṣe padaprakṛtiḥ
saṃhitā iti saṁsthāsamāseṇa vyākhyāyate ityarthah.

68. ^{18/}cf. MB Vol. III - p:117 - lines ~~23~~ and 19.
na lakṣaṇena padakārā anuvartyāḥ; padakārairnāma
lakṣaṇamanuvartyam. yathā lakṣaṇam padam kartavyam.
69. VP. II. 61.
70. VP. II. - 61.
71. VP. II. - 62.
72. VP. II. - 63.
73. VP. II. - 64a and b.
74. Puṇyarāja on ~~the same~~ 64 b :
tasmādyathā samudita^o paraspas'aktyāves'advarnā
vācakā evam padānyapi tathaiiva iti varṇapadavya^{ti}śrīkṣam
vākyam nāma nāstīti.
cf. Kumāriḥ Bhaṭṭa: Śloka-vārttika : Section on
Sphoṭavāda. See Note 36 above.
75. Puṇyarāja on VP. II. 65.
yadi ca padārthanibandhanā vākya^rarthāvabhāso
nāṅgikriyate tadā pratidinidhikalpanam
pikādinīyatāpadapras'nah s'rutivākya^rayorvirodhe
s'rutiro^ybalisītyavāntaravākya^anām^rarthavattvam
ca na syāllakṣaṇānupapattis^cceti pañca co^ddyānyāpatanti
76. VP. II. 65-73.
- 76a. VP. II. 72 above.
- 76b. ^{II}66 and 67 above.
- 76c. ^{II}68 above.
- 76d. ^{II}69, 70, 71 above.

76e. II.73 above.

77. VP. II - 74.

78. Puṇyārāja on above :

asti ca tadārthe kaśyacitsandeha
iti prthagēvārthavanti padāni
vijñātāni vākyamityeva
vaktum yuktam.

79. VP. II - 75-77.

79a. Puṇyārāja on VP. II, - 75 above :

iha s'ratilingavākyaṇprakarapasthāna -
samākhyālakṣaṇāṇaṁ sandigdha vākyaṇrthavicāre
vākyaavidam prasiddham.

Also see s'āstradīpikā (Transl. D. Venkatramiah, No. LXXXIX) p. 3. Foot-note 8.

79b. VP. II - 75 above.

79c. VP. II - 76 above.

79d. Puṇyārāja on VP. II - 75 above :

teṣāṁ (lakṣaṇāṇāṁ) ca parasparavirodhe pūrvah pūrvo
baliyāniti vyavasthāpyate

79e. Puṇyārāja on on VP. II - 75 above :

ataḥ s'ratitasyaiva sambandhasya
vākyaḍbaliyastvādanyatarābhāve 'pi
s'ratiprāpitamālaṁbhanamanuṣṭhitamiti na
kaścicchrutibādham.

79f. Puṇyārāja on VP. II - 75 above :

nirguṇasya dravyas^yābhāvācchveta -
 guṇa^yuktasyālaṃbhanam kriyā -
 samarthyaprapitam s'rautameva vyaktā -
 rthasphuṭīkaranāya s'vetamālabheta iti
 s'veta^dti tat samādhyate.....tatasca
 sāksād dravyaguṇayoḥ s'rutāvanuśaṅgo^bhi -
 sambandhaḥ s'rutireva tatra liṅgavākya^yor -
 bādhi^kketi na vākya^ysambandha^e etatra bhavati.

- 79g. VP-II - 77 above and Puṇyarāja on it.
80. VP-II - 78.
- 80a. Puṇyarāja on above :
 tatasca yugapatsakalas'āstrasya grahaṇam
 pratipādanam vā na sambhavati iti
 sakalavyavahārocchedaḥ.
81. VP-II - 79-89.
82. VP-II - 90.
83. Puṇyarāja on 90 above :
 tattaditarapadārthavyāvṛttisaṁ -
 s'rajanena ca jātyādivyavahārah kaścīnmirvāhyate
84. VP-II - 91.
85. VP-II - 92.
86. Puṇyarāja on 92 above :
 evamapoddhārasamās'rajanena
 sarvaṇyāyasamarsthane kṛte
 tatsamānayaogakṣematayaḥ pratidinidhiḥ
 s'rutivā^mnyavirodhasca sam^marthita eva

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(The Benares Text reads "stutivākya virodhaśca" ³⁰⁶)

This is obviously an error. It is ^{rr}corrected
into "'s'rutivākya virodhaśca'").

87. VP-II - 93.

Puṇyārāja on the same :

paramārthatastu samvitkasya sarvatra
nirvibhāge tasmin kutaścitkāraṇānānopapannā :
sarvatrāyamasamvidam tāvatpunaḥ pratipadyate.

88. VP-II - 94.

Puṇyārāja on the same : paramārthatastu
pikādiyogātsakalamevāntyantavilakṣaṇam.

89. VP-II - 95, 96.

Also 92 above.

89a. See his commentary VP-II: 94

90. VP-II - 114.

91. VP-II - 114.

92. VP-II - 97.

93. Puṇyārāja on 97 above :

yadī padāny^{eva} satyāni tadā dadhyānaya ityadī
samhitāyām rūpavināś'ātpadaśaya niyatasāyābhāve
kamavadhīm gṛhītvā tadārtho vivicyate; atah
pravibhāgas'ūnyam vākya^enyāika^{satyam}ṁ abhyūpagantavyam.

94. VP-II: - 98, 99, 111-113, 477. See also Puṇyārāja on VP-II: 477.
on the two meanings of the sentence

95. See below, same page. ~~See also~~
See also note 399 above

96. VP-II - 207.

97. VP-II - 212

Also see 213 and 214.

98. VP-II - 215.

99. VP-II - 208.

100. VP-II - 218, 219.

~~anyapadārthapradhāno bahuvrīhiḥ~~

101. VP-II - 221 - See Pāṇini II.2-24.

anyapadārthapradhāno bahuvrīhiḥ - MBh. Vol. I. p. 379. l. 2.

102. VP-II - 221

cf. Pāṇini II.1.6

103. VP-II - 1 and 2.

104. Panyarāja on the same :

tatrākhaṇḍapakṣe jātiḥ saṃghātavarṭtītyekonavayavah
s'abdo buddhyanusamhrtiriti trīṇi lakṣaṇāni.

Khandaḥ pakṣe tu ākhyātas'abdo kramah saṃghātaḥ
padamādyam prthaksarvapaḍam sākāṅkṣam^{it} pañcalakṣaṇāni.

105. VP-II - 3-6.

105. cf. See VP-II-1, 327b and 328a.

The verb, on the other hand, was not considered by the
Nyāya School as essential to a sentence.

Ṭagadīś'a:

See Śabdasaṃskṛtīprakāś'ikā. Kārikā 13.

A.V. Isacenko's definition of the sentence quoted by

106. cf. J.R. Firth - "Atlantic Linguistics" Vol. 1

(Archivum Linguisticum ~~1.11~~ 1.11 1949) p. 113

107. Kriyā kriyāntarādbhinnaṁ niyatādhārasādhanaṁ - VP-II - 421.

cf. The problem of Bedeutungsverschiebung as
included in Bedeutungslehre as a linguistic discipline
in German. See J.R. Firth 'The Technique of
Semantics'. (Transactions of the Philological Society
1935) p. 38.

~~Also cf. F.V. Thomas 'Transactions of the
Philological Society 1943 - p. 124.~~

108. VP-II - 41-49 and 55.

109. VP-II-4, 42. cf. S'āstradīpikā - p: 22.

See ' ' As against such an objection the
Tadbhūtādhikaraṇa states that the meanings of
words themselves discarding all dependence
either on relation (between the word and its
sense) or on convention become the valid means
of apprehending the import of propositions.'
(This is the Abhinītanvayavāda).''

See also: Satis Chandra Vidyābhūṣana - ^AHistory
of Indian Logic - pp. 147-148

Also: C. Kunhan Rājā : Introduction to Brhatī Part II
^{University Sanskrit}
(Madras Series No. 3) P. 26.

^{Again} 'according to Kumāṇila ^{the} words convey the meaning of
the object as a mere thing and in a sentence these
things are brought into relation.'

(London, 1932)
D.M. Datta : 'The Six Ways of Knowing.' - pp: 289-293

110. VP-II - 43.

111. Puṇyārāja on VP-II - 44 :

athātra saṅghātapakṣa eva prakārantarenānvitābhi-
dhānapradars'anātpadārtha eva vākyaṛtha iti
prakramitusāha.

- 111a. For a discussion of the difference between the
Abhitānvayavāda and the Anvitābhidhāna ^{vāda} ~~see~~ see
Pārthasārathi Miśra, Śāstradīpikā ~~~~~~~~~
~~~~~~~~~ Chapter VII.
112. VP II - 44.
- 112a. Same as above.
113. cf. C. Kunhan Raja - Introduction to Upanatī Part II.  
~~(Andras Oriental Series) p:26~~  
Satis Chandra Vidyābhūṣaṇa - <sup>A</sup> History of Indian  
Logic' - ~~pp~~ pp. 147-148  
D.M. Datta: <sup>The</sup> Six Ways of Knowing' pp. 289-293  
A. Berriedale Keith. Karmamīmāṃsā - p:39.
114. VP II - 45.
115. VP II - 47.
116. VP II 1, 50-54 and 56.
117. VP II 50 above - Puṇyārāja on the same :  
padārthesu devadattādīpada ~~vāg~~ vācyeṣu  
gokarmikāyām abhyājakriyāyām devadattapadārthasya  
kartṛtvām gopadārthasya devadattakartrkāyām  
karmatvamityā <sup>o</sup> dayo vis'eṣā santa eva padebhyaḥ  
kramena pratītebhyo <sup>o</sup> vaganyanta iti krama eva vākyaṃ



See S'āstradīpikā - p:226.

The author who is a Bhāṭṭa, quotes the Prābhākara view of a sequence (krana) of words being considered as the sentence 'If it be said that the words indicate the identical relation which they were observed to indicate when, juxtaposed in a particular order, they were used by the elders, and none other, that (argument) applies equally to the meaning of words. And those meanings of words also (brought together consciously) in order that the meaning of one word may get into relation with that of another, yield the meaning of the sentence (as a whole) so that there is no blemish'  
 Thus while the <sup>Prābhākaras</sup> ~~Prābhākaras~~ hold the 'sequence-definition' of the sentence, sequence <sup>also</sup> forms an essential part of the Bhāṭṭa doctrines about the sentence. Only, in the place of the Prābhākara notion of 'the sequence of words' the Bhāṭṭas have the notion of 'the sequence of word-meanings'.  
 See also Note 56 above.

118. VP.II - 53a above.

119. VP.II - 52 above.

120. VP.II - 54 above.

121. VP.II - 2, 17, 18a and b.

cf. The above definition of a sentence as a sequence



of words. In fact, all the three are held by the Anvitābhīdhānavēdins, i.e., the Prābhākara School of Mīmāṃsā.

122. See the Anvitābhīdhāna view discussed above p:53-55.

122a. Puṇyārāja on VP. II. 17 :

Sakalavis'eshahacitasca  
prathamataramevopakrāntaḥ samsṛṣṭa  
evārtho vākyārthapratīti

123. VP-II - 17 and 18a.

124. Puṇyārāja on VP-II - 18b. :

na ca tasmādeva vākyārthapratītirāś'yate.

125. Puṇyārāja on the same :

athā samastebhya eva tebhyāḥ sarvathottarāṇi  
padāni vākyārthapratītaya upādīyanta evetyanvi-  
tābhīdhānamasamañjasaṁeva.

126. VP-II - 17 and 45.

127. VP-II - 18b. Puṇyārāja on VP. II. 17 :

uttarakālaḥ gavādīpada sambandhādvis'īṣṭa  
pratipattirabhivyājjyate iti tadevavākyaṁ

(Puṇyārāja on VP. II. 17)

abhivyaktābhivyākṣā vākyārthāvagatiriti padā-  
ntarāṇāṁ vākya nāstyeva vaiyarthyaṁ.....

(Puṇyārāja on VP-II - 18b.)



128. VP.II 1, 20, 21.

129. VP.II - 20.

130. cf. Nāges'abhaṭṭa: Sphoṭavāda - pp: 96-97.

idam ghaṭapadam, idam ghaṭapadam iyaṃ <sup>va</sup>perkr̥tiḥ, iyaṃ <sup>va</sup>perkr̥tiḥ, ayam pratyayaḥ, ayam pratyayaḥ, idam ghaṭamānāyati vākyaṃ, idam ghaṭamānāyati vākyaṃ' ityekākārapratītya ghaṭapadaññānatvādina kārāṇatve kārāṇatāvacchedaka <sup>o</sup>kōṭipraviṣṭataya ca jātiḥ iṣṭas'yaśas'yakatvāt. na ca varṇānupūrvyaiva pratītikārāṇatvayornirvāhaḥ, ghaṭa <sup>o</sup>derapi <sup>s</sup>īamyogavis'ṣavis'īṣṭamṛdādhirevānya - thāsiddhyāpatteḥ.

131. See VP. I - 94.

cf. Sphoṭavāda p: 99 on the same:

anekābhirvarṇavyaktibhiḥ vyūṅgyā jātireva sphoṭo vācikaḥ hipretā <sup>i</sup>kaścit.

132. VP.II - 21

atyantabhede tattvasya sarūpeva pratiyate

133. VP.II same:

talyopavyaṅjana s'rutiḥ

134. VP.II - 19.

Puṇyārāja on the same:

anenaiko'navayavaḥ <sup>s'abda</sup>ityuddhiṣṭasya vyaktisphoṭasya svarūpamuktamiti bodhyaṃ.



135. Bhartṛhari, in fact, states the J'āti-sphoṭa-position as the view propounded by 'some' (kaścit).

136. cf. V. Krishnamācārya - Introduction to The Sphoṭavāda. pp. 27-28.

tathā ca tattadupādhyav<sup>ace</sup>ichinnah sphoṭa eva  
vyaktipadenocyate; tattadupādhyupalakṣito  
jātipadenocyate ityangīkaraṇīyam

137. VP-II - 1, 30-33.

138. Puṇyārāja on <sup>VP-II-30</sup> above :

anavayavam bodhasvabhavam s'abdārthamayam  
nirviohagam s'abdatattvam.

139. VP-II - 31.

140. VP-II - 32.

141. VP-II - 33.

142. VP-II - 31a

Puṇyārāja on the same :

<sup>na</sup> ~~akevalam~~ <sup>taHā</sup> vākyaṁ yavadvākyaṁ artho'pi yakhandaḥ  
pratibhātmakah padārthabhāgairabhivyajyate iti  
prasāṅgādāha.

143. VP-II - 145.

Puṇyārāja on same :

ekā pratibhā padārtha mativyatiriktaiva jāyate.

144. VP-II - 147.

145. VP-II - 146.

146. - do -

148. VP-II - 148-152



148. VP:II - 148.

149. VP:II - 150.

150. It is interesting to note that in the saint and in the monkey fundamentally the same insight functions through speech.

cf. J.R.Firth 'The Tongues of Men' - p:109.

'A great deal of language behaviour is a manifestation of all these feelings or "senses" many of which it must be remembered we share with the animals'.

The insight (pratibha) which functions in men and in animals and other creatures is, however, more than the manifestation of the 'feelings' or 'senses' which Professor Firth mentions in this context. It is the function of the soul, of a personality constituted by more than feelings and senses, something of the like of which Wiclif says :

'All the personality of man standeth in the spirit of him'. (See citation in N.E.D. quoted in by J.R. Firth in The Sociological Review - Vol. XLII. Section Two. 1950 'Personality and Language' in Society' - p: 46).

See page 65 and Note 146 above.

150a. VP:II - 148, 153, 154, also 119.

cf. J.R.Firth - 'Personality and Language in Society' <sup>p. 46</sup> ~~(The Sociological Review - Vol. XLII, 1950, p. 46.)~~



'If we accept the view expressed in Johnson's citation of Locke, we must consider language, like personality, as a systematic linking of the past with the present and with the future'.

By 'The scripture learnt in a previous life', Bhartṛhari, however, means the soul's scriptural <sup>ie via</sup> (special sense, ~~the~~ linguistic) experience in a past life although the idea of the soul's connection with the past in the form of the generations of the human race is not entirely absent. cf. (p:71 - <sup>above</sup> ~~below~~ paras 2 and 3) the Buddhistic notion of meaning which according to Puṇyārāja is not different from the notion of pratihā.

151. VP-II - 148, 149. Also 120.

152. VP-II - 149. Also 119.

153. VP-II - 151 and 152.

154. ākhyātam sāvyaya-kāra-kaviśeṣaṇam vākyaṁ ekatīn  
See also VP-II - 3, 5 and 6, and <sup>-Vārṭtika on Pāṇini II.1.1.</sup>  
Puṇyārāja's commentary on VP-II.1 and 2. P. 64.

155. VP-II - 4.

See also Puṇyārāja's commentary on VP-II.1 and 2. P. 64.

156. VP-II - 4, 115,

~~See also Puṇyārāja's commentary on VP-II.1 and 2. P. 64.~~  
Puṇyārāja on VP-II - 4 :

ekārthameka-prayojanam

(Göteborg: 1931)

cf. Gustaf Stern - Meaning and Change of Meaning  
pp:19-21.

'The effective function must, I think, be the most



important of the primary functions.....' (p:20).

cf. B. Malinowski - Coral Gardens and their Magic Vol. II

(p:52:

'Language is primarily an instrument of action and not a means of telling a tale, of entertaining or instructing from a purely intelligent point of view.'

See also same - p:7.

157. VP:II - 6,450

158. <sup>n</sup>tinatinah. See also II.1.1, VIII.1.19 & VIII.1.22.

(Allahabad. 1891)

See Aṣṭādhyāyī (Transl: S.C. Vasu Vol. I - p:1502, 1503 and 1508)

cf. MBh - Vol. I - p:367 - lines 18-21 (also VOL III p:373 - lines 10-13)

sāmanāvākya iti prakṛtya nighātayamaśmadādes'ā vaktavyah. kin prayojanam. nānāvākya

nighātādāya iti. mā ~~bhūvanā~~ ayam dāṇḍo harānena. odanam paca

tava bhaviṣyati. odanam paca mama bhaviṣyati. See Notes 326 & 327 below

158a. cf. MBh. Vol I - p:368 - line 7.

159. See p:52 above.

160. Puṇyārāja on VP:II - 1 and 2 - p:66.

tattadanādivākyaṛthavikalpāhitavāsanāprabodhajāma.

na tanmatānusāreṇa vākyaṛthayorināsaṅgraho veditavyah.



161. See pages 64 and 65 above.

162. See Puṇyārāja on VP-II - 1 and 2. P. 66.

naiyyāyikanam tu.....

.....prāyas'ah

samsargapakṣa evāsyāntarbhava itī <sup>na</sup> ~~netada~~ sangraheṇa-  
vyāptiratra vaktavyā

See Jagad<sup>d-</sup>is'a. S'abdas'aktiprakāś'ikā ~~Kārikā 3~~

Sākāṅkṣas'abdairyo bodhast<sup>o</sup>padārthanvayagocarah

so'yaṁ niyantritarthatvāna pratyakṣaṁ na cānuma<sup>Kārikā 3</sup> ~~kārikā~~

asti tēvadgaurasti gāmanayetyadisākāṅkṣas'abdebhyaḥ

svasvavṛttyā padārthanāmupasthityuttaram

gavādāvastitvāderanvayāvagāhī vilakṣaṇo bodho,

yatrānvayavyatī <sup>h</sup> rekāyama -

kāṅkṣādimattayā

s'abdasyāvagamo

netu<sup>na</sup>, ~~netu~~ padārtha -

nāmupasthitimātram vis'īṣṭa -

materānubhavi katvā danyathā -

numiterapyapalāpātāḥ.

162a. See Satis Chandra Vidyābhūṣana : 'A History of  
Indian Logic - p:131 & on Udyotakara's Theory of  
Verbal Knowledge.

See also Note 35 above.



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163. See Nyāyaśūtra 13 and Vātsyāyana's Bhāṣya on it  
(Gautama's Nyāya Sūtra, Poona Oriental series  
No. 59 - <sup>sl:</sup> ~~Tran~~ Gaṅgānātha Jha) p:202.

164. See S'āstradīpikā (~~Tran~~ D. Venkatarāmiah)

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165. See for instance VPI - 71, 72 and 73.

166. Sphoṭacandrikā p. 6

167. See above - p:24.

168. VPII - 10,

Puṇyārāja on VPII 11, 12

padē vā mirams'e ye bhāgāḥ

prakṛtipratyāyārūpāstēvasthitāḥ

169. VPI - 73.

170. See quoted in Sphoṭacandrikā - p: 7

170a. MBh. discussing <sup>the</sup> sequence of letters - Vol. I - p:356

line : 4.

<sup>ue</sup> ~~caritapradhva~~ <sup>m</sup> sitvācca varṇanāṁ. [Vārttika]

171. Sphoṭacandrikā - p: 77

172. Sphoṭacandrikā - p: 77

172a. Sphoṭacandrikā - pp: 7-8

173. VPI - 58-69.

~~173a. VPI - 66~~

174. VPI - 59-61

cf. The Technique of Semantics - p:61 :



'The form bō:d can be used in  
 contradistinction from the other forms and  
has its phonetic or purely formal place at  
the phonetic or the formal level of understanding.'

175. VP-I - 61 and 62.

176. VP-I - 62

tasmāttadarthaiḥ kāryāṇām sambandhaḥ parikalpyate.

cf. MBh. Vol.I - p:175 - line 27, and

p:176 - line 1.

īha vyākaraṇe'rthe kāryasyāsambhavaḥ; agnerdḥak

~~(Sāhitya IV.2.25)~~

iti na s'akyate'ngarebhyah paro dḥak kartum

177. VP-I - 61.

cf. MBh - Vol.I - p:175 - line 26-27.

s'abdenoccaritenārtho gamyate; gamānaya

dadhyas'ānetyārtha āniyate arthasā bhujyate.

178. VP-I - 257, while discussing the question of

*the discussion of the*

arthopacāra in the context of ~~the distinction of meaning~~  
~~primary-secondary distinction of meaning~~ *says : sabdaḥ svarthe*  
 vyavasthitaḥ.

Puṇyarāja on <sup>the</sup> same : etasmimāśa s'abdopacāre

s'abdārthasambādhasyānityatvam syādē<sup>n</sup>tyas'ankya-āha

179. See Puṇyarāja on 341 :

ato anyas'abdārthasya s'abdāntarasya ca

vācyavācakatāviraṇātkathamarthena s'abdasyākṣepaḥ



179a. cf. O. Jespersen - The Philosophy of Grammar -

p:40

'It should be the grammarian's task always to  
keep <sup>the</sup> two things in his mind, for sound and  
signification, form and function are  
inseparable in the life of language...'

180. VP-II - 252, 254.

181. VP-II - 257.

182. VP-II - 258.

183. VP-I - 47, II 406, 407.

184. tasmādbuddhikṛtamarthasamsparsa'ṇ prāpita eva (śabdah)  
kva cidarthaviṣaye nives'ito bhavati --

(Punyarāja on VP.1.47)

185. See O. Jespersen. <sup>The</sup> Philosophy of Grammar - p:1.

186. VP-I - 53, 56. II - 406, 407.

187. VP-I - 55.

188. VP-I. 56

189. VP-I - 58.

190. See p:6 above.

191. See Sarvadars'anasamgraha - p:143

(Cowell & Gough - pp:215)

192. Sarvadars'anasamgraha - pp:143-145.

193. VP-III, Tātisamuddh <sup>es'a. 33</sup> (Also quoted by Sarvadars'ana-  
samgraha <sup>es'a. 33</sup> p. 144,  
Cowell & Gough p. 215)

194. Sarvadars'anasamgraha - p:145, (Cowell & Gough - pp:217-  
218)



jātiś'abdavācīno vā<sup>j</sup>japyāyanasya mate gavādayah  
 s'abdhah bhinnadravyasamavetajātimabhidadhātī;  
 ..... dravyapadārthavādivyādinayo s'abdasya  
 vyaktir<sup>te</sup>vābhidheyataya pratibhāsate.

MBh. Vol. I - p:242

ākṛtyabhidhānādvaikam

viśhaktam vājapyāyanah [Vārttika]

..... nahi gaurityukte

vis'esah p<sup>ra</sup>akhyāyate s'uklā

nīlā kapilā kapotiketī.....

Again on p:244

dravyābhidhānam vyādhī [Vārttika]

195. I.2.58 and I.2.64.

196. See p: 32 above.

197. MBh. Vol. I - p:16

tatranuvṛttinirdes'e savarnāgrahanamanantvat [Vārttika]

line 19

ekatvādaśakāśasya siddham [Vārttika]

line 23.

See also Puṇyārāja on VP-II - 256.

etacca bhedābhedasvabhāvam

dars'anadvayaṃ s'abdhānam

bhāṣyakāreṇa vārttikavyākhyānavasare dars'itam.



198. VP. II - 259

tehiarthabhedat<sup>cc</sup> ~~te~~ <sup>cc</sup>abdabhedam manyante -

(Punyarāja on the same.)

199. See Note 202 below.

200. VP. II - ~~260~~ 260a.

201. VP. II - 260-263.

202. Punyarāja on VP. II - 263.

tadevamanekas'abdadars'ane' —

rthabedā<sup>u</sup>echabdabhede ga<sup>u</sup>no'rtho

anyah mukhyo'rthas'ca anya eva kim tu

sārūpyā<sup>u</sup>adabhede mukhya -

rthasya prasiddhat<sup>u</sup> vāt -

tadvācaka upacaryate, eva .

203. VP. II - 252.

204. VP. II 252, 254 - Punyarāja on 252.

<sup>vāpyarthesu</sup>  
sarvesa<sup>u</sup>ka eva gos'abdo vācakah.

205. VP. II - 252, 253a, b

206. VP. II - 255.

207. VP. II - 256.

208. Since the word 'ga<sup>u</sup>h' meaning 'a cow' is fundamentally different from the word 'ga<sup>u</sup>h' meaning 'a Bahika', the question of the primary and secondary meaning of the same word is not real to them.

209. Since in the view of the Akhanda school, words



themselves are less real than the sentences,  
and are products of its analysis; questions  
about <sup>the</sup> meaning of words <sup>are</sup> ~~is~~ equally unreal.

See VP. II - 271.

210. See pp:81 - 82, above

211. Panyarāja on VP. II - 257 :

etasmimśca s'abdopacāre s'abdarthasambandhasyā -  
nityatvaṁ syādityās'aṅkyārthopacāramās'rityāha.

212. VP. II - 257.

213. Panyarāja on VP. II - 257.

tatra nimittajjādyādergotvaṁ bahīkepyanuśajyate  
It is obvious thus that the meaning of the word  
'gauh' when it means a 'Bahika' has also the  
element of the emotion of the speaker as a  
constituent of it. When the word is applied to  
a Bahika, there is also included <sup>in its meaning</sup> the contempt of  
the speaker for the Bahika's cow-like qualities like  
dull-ness.

cf. in this connection <sup>C.K</sup> Ogden & <sup>I.A</sup> Richards - <sup>The</sup> Meaning  
(London 1949 edition) of Meaning - p:223.

'Besides symbolising a reference, our words also are  
signs of emotions, attitudes, moods, the temper,  
interest or set of the mind in which the references  
occur'.

213a. See pp:91 - 92, above



214. See Chapter 2 above.

215. cf MBh. Vol. I - p:71 - lines 19 & 20

215a. Punyarāja on VP. II - 271.

gaurbāhika ityatra padapadārthābhyupagame  
viruddhasāmanādhikarānyanyathānup<sup>a</sup>patyā gopadasya  
upacaritārthatvam ucyate.

216. VP. II - 271.

Punyarāja on the same :

yadā<sup>ku</sup> gaurbāhika ityanena akhaṇḍenaiva  
gogata dharmāvacchinno bāhika<sup>k</sup>lasapo'rtho'khaṇḍa eva  
pratipādyate tadā padapadārthanāmasatyatvāt  
kasyaikasyāvidyamānasyaiva tathābhūtenaivetaṛeṇa  
saṁbandha iti kutastyo gaṇamukhyavibhāga<sup>ā</sup>.

217. Punyarāja on 271 :

apoddhārasamās'rayanena padapadārthavibhāgamupak-  
alpya prasiddhy<sup>o</sup> aprasiddhinimittako gaṇamukhya-  
vibhāga<sup>o</sup> bhyupagantavya ityabhiprāyaḥ.

218. VP. II - 287.

219. VP. II - 288-297

220. VP. II - 299. - See Punyarāja on the same.

221. VP. II - 265.

222. VP. II - 266.

223. VP. II - 267 and 268.

224. VP. II - 274a and b.

225. VP. II - 275.



226. See pages 85 and 86 above.  
 227. VP.II - 276.  
 228. VP.II - 279.  
 229. VP.II - 277-278.  
 230. VP.II - 280.  
 231. See Puṇyārāja's commentary on VP.Ṁ - 280.  
 232. VP.II - 270.  
 233. Puṇyārāja on VP.Ṁ - 280.  
 234. Puṇyārāja on the same.  
 235. VP.II - 300.  
 236. VP.II - 302.  
 237. VP.II - 301, 309a. See Puṇyārāja on the same.  
 238. VP.II - 305.

Puṇyārāja on the same :

yastasya prayojakah sa eva  
 cācyo'rtho<sup>2</sup> anyo nāntariyako, na  
 tasya prayojakatvam.

239. VP.II - 306 and 307.  
 240. VP.II - 308. Also Puṇyārāja on the same.  
 241. See VP.II - 309a and Note 237 above.  
 242. Pāṇini I.2.32 - VP.II - 309b 7 311.  
 243. VP.II - 312.  
 244. Puṇyārāja on above :

prathānena arthena anyārtho<sup>2</sup> a

palakṣaṇamiti laksitaparārthamukhyas'aktyārtho'-

pi na tyakta iti.



cf. also Kāvyaṣṛakāś'a. 2.9: mukhyārtha<sup>o</sup> bādhe  
 tadyoge rūḍhito'tha prayojanāt, any'ortho lakṣyate  
 yatsā lakṣaṇaropitākriyā. It will be noticed  
 that this stanza refers to the two kinds of  
 secondary meaning (1) <sup>Itat,</sup> which is conveyed after the  
 principal meaning of the word has been sublated  
 (mukhyārthabādhe) and (2) <sup>Itat,</sup> which is conveyed in  
 addition to the principal meaning (mukhyārthayoge).  
 The kind of relationship between principal and  
 subsidiary meanings discussed by us is the same as  
 is raised in (2) in the stanza from Kāvyaṣṛakāś'a.

A point of some importance which chiefly  
 arises out of the example discussed <sup>by us</sup> ~~in the previous section~~  
 has also to be mentioned here. To prove the fourth kind of  
 relationship between primary and secondary meanings, the  
 example quoted is not one word, but a group of two words,  
 namely, dr̥śyatam sūrya (Look at the sun). Does this mean  
 that the discussion of primary and incidental meanings  
 (in fact, of all the three, primary and secondary and  
 incidental meanings) concerns not only single words, but  
 also ~~tr~~ word-groups. The answer to this question is <sup>in the affirmative.</sup> ~~yes~~.  
 The problem which Sāṁskṛit Grammarians deal with in these  
 places, is the problem of the meaning (artha) of s'abda.  
 This word s'abda is used with a large scope, it sometimes



meaning a word, sometimes a word-group, sometimes a sentence, and sometimes speech in general, by which is meant an abstract entity. In the discussions on the kinds of meanings, the reference is not only to single words, but also to word groups. It will be remembered that even where the discussions were focussed on the meanings of single words <sup>and</sup> single words were given as examples, their meanings were considered in a context, verbal or otherwise. Besides, <sup>which</sup> the point we have emphasised in the beginning of this Chapter and in preceding Chapters that the isolate word is <sup>unreal entity</sup> ~~an abstraction~~, and the study of the isolate word is real only in so far as it is a hypothetical necessity, should also be remembered.

245. VP.II - 314.

246. VP.II - 315.

247. VP.II - 316.

248. VP.II - 317.

249. See Puṇyārāja on 316.

See also p:32-36 above.

250. Puṇyārāja on VP.II - 316.

cf. The Technique of Semantics - p:62.

'The whole sentence is semantically neutral. In a definite context of situation, you would have the



semantic functions determined (1) positively by the use of the words in relation to the rest of the situational context and (2) negatively

by what is termed contextual elimination. (The words 'positively', 'negatively' and 'contextual elimination' in author's italics) ~~(underlining mine)~~

251. See Puṇyārāja on VP. II - 316.

252. See page 21 above.

253. See <sup>commentary on</sup> Puṇyārāja on VP. II - 316.

254. See Puṇyārāja on VP. II - 316.

255. See VP. II - 317.

256. Puṇyārāja on VP. II - 317.

257. Puṇyārāja on VP. II - 317.

258. Puṇyārāja on VP. II - 317.

259. Puṇyārāja on VP. II - 317.

260. See Pages 120-121 above.

261. " " 119-120 "

262. Puṇyārāja on VP. II - 317.

263. Puṇyārāja on VP. II 317 :

iha kaścidarthabhedāccabā -

bhedo ' bhyupagataḥ tadaparairekas'abdateti dvau

pakṣau; tatra nānātvapakṣe svabhāvābhinnēṣu

tulya s'rutīṣu rūpabhedādavacchinneṣu nimittāntarair

samsargādibhiravacchedaḥ kriyate; ekatvapakṣe

tu arthābhichāne bhinnāsu s'aktīṣu

s'rutisārūpyamātrādabdhavibhāgāsu



yathalva samsargādibhirarthanirṇayaḥ kriyate iti  
ubhayatrāpi prakaraṇādayaḥ s'abdārthanirṇayanipūṇā  
iti tadupanyāsaḥ

264. Puṇyārāja on VI.1 - 317. P. 215

tadatra kecitsāmarthyanevaikaṁ  
s'abdārthanirṇayanimitamiti manyante;  
yopyarthaprakaraṇādinaṁ tatra bhedah samadhigamyate  
so'pi sāmartyādevātra pratiyate iti.

265. See pages 75-80 above.

266. VI.11 - 357.

cf. Bertrand Russell. An Inquiry Into Meaning and  
(London. 1940)  
Truth - p:32

'A proper name <sup>names</sup> ~~means~~ something of which there are  
not a plurality of instances, and names it by a  
convention ad hoc, not by a description composed  
of words <sup>with</sup> previously assigned meanings!

267. cf. MBh. Vol. I - p:111 - lines 23-24.

267a. These bits like 'deva' and 'datta' are only ekades'a-  
sarūpāḥ, having the semblance of parts.

VI.11, 357, 364.

268. VI.11, 366.

269. VI.11. 365 : See also Puṇyārāja on the same.

270. VI.11 - 359.

271. VI.11 - 358a and b.

272. VI.11 - 359.



273. VP.11 - 360a.

274. VP.11 - 360b.

275. VP.11 - 363.

Puṇyārāja on the same :

s'rutipathamavatiṣṭhāḥ s'abdā vācaka  
iti prasiddham.

See also pages 83-85 above.

276. See p:81 above.

277. VP.11 - 369.

There is, thus, according to Bhartr̥hari no difference between common names and proper names, and proper names are not without meaning. O. Jespersen and Alan H. Gardiner, giving different arguments arrive at the same conclusion, namely, that proper names have a meaning just as common names have. Thus Jespersen (The Philosophy of Grammar - pp:70-71) says : 'Our inquiry, therefore, has reached this conclusion, that no sharp line can be drawn between proper and common names, the difference being one of degree rather than kind.'

Alan H. Gardiner concludes his brief discussion on proper names with the statement :

'Enough has been said to show that proper names



are not different in essence from other words'.

(The Theory of Speech and Language-p:43).

278. Puṇyārāja on VP11 - 369

yathā <sup>t</sup>smiṇ grhe <sup>k</sup>dyaprabhṛti dīthas'abdavācya-  
yamiti boddhavyam, s'abdarthasaṃbandhastu  
dīthādisvanādiryogyatālakṣaṇo nitya eva (not <sup>nitya</sup> <sup>esa</sup>  
as is printed which obviously is a mistake).

279. Technical terms and proper names are, however,  
not quite the same problem, although there are,  
as indicated here, points of similarity between  
them. Both are, as the grammatical texts say,  
saṃjñas, both differing from other names in this  
respect that their specific application to denote  
a particular thing-meant is begun by an  
individual or individuals.

280. Pāṇini VIII.4.3

281. VP11 - 367.

282. VP11 - 376a, b and 377.

283. Pāṇini 1.3.14.

284. The Sūtra when interpreted with the word karma  
having this meaning will mean: The verb is used  
in the ātmanepada when the action reverts back  
to the subject (instead of reverting to the object  
as is the case with a transitive verb vyatilunīte.  
The Sūtra is concerned with the use of verbs in the  
ātmanepada.



cf. MBh. Vol. I - p:277 - ~~lines~~ lines 20-23

(on the Sūtra above)

kriyāvyatihāra iti vaktavyam.....kriyām hi loka  
karmatyupacaranti. kām kriyām karisyasi, kim  
karma karisyasīti - evamapi kartavyam

285. Pāṇini III.2.1

286. Pāṇini III.1.17 and II.3.18.

287. Pāṇini I.1.23

288. Pāṇini V.1.22

cf. MBh - Vol. I - p:80<sup>l.4-8</sup> on Pāṇini<sup>I.1.23</sup> above.

samkhyāsamjñāyam samkhyāgrahanam (Vārttika)

.....samkhyāsampratyaṣāyartham (Vārttika)....

ekādikāyaḥ samkhyāyaḥ samkhyāprades'eṣu

samkhyātyeṣa sampratyaṣayo yathā syād

289. Pāṇini I.2.63

290. The words 'artha' and 'prakriyā' are doubtless  
used in the stanza with a double reference,  
'artha' being also the 'thing-meant' and  
'prakriyā' being also the grammatical formation  
of words.

291. cf. Yāska, Nirukta 1.2. sad bhāvavikārā  
bhavantīti vārṣāyaṇiḥ; jāyate' sti vipariṇāmate  
vardhate' pakṣīyate vinas'yatīti.

This is in reference to the definition of the verb  
as having 'becoming' as its chief aspect



(bhāva-pradhāna). Similarly in MBh. Vol. I. p:258 - lines 13-14.

292. cf. MBh. I - p:13 - line 22. mahatā devaṁ naḥ  
sāmyam ayādityadhyeyam vyākaranam  
Kaiyata commenting on this line says : 'mahatā  
pareṇa brahmaṇa ityarthah'.

293. cf. MBh. Vol. I - p: 1 - line 14-20  
kāni puṇaḥ s'abdhānus'asanaṣya prayojanāni  
rakṣaṇāganalāghvasandehaḥ prayojanam .  
.....pradhānam ca  
śaḍaṅgeṣu vyākaranam; pradhāne  
ca kṛto yathā phalavān bhavati

294. This stanza discusses the scope of the function  
of grammar. Of the two aspects of speech, namely,  
the Supreme Word-principle and its manifestation  
in the form of human speech which exists in such  
distinct forms as syllables, words and sentences,  
it is the second which is the concern of grammar.  
~~upanibaddham jīvataḥ sa ca carishu ea.~~

295. Words are employed to state the behaviour of objects  
and not the fundamental truth about them  
(arthapravṛttitattvaṁ vivakṣā na tu vastuṇaḥ svarūpeṇ  
sattvamasattvaṁ vā - Puṇyarāja).

See also VP-II - 442 and 444.

Puṇyarāja also gives two alternative interpretations



of the stanza.

- (1) Or the behaviour of objects is general before it is associated with words. It is words which gives them a specific form by describing them.

(yadvā , arthapravṛttitattvaṃ sāmānyam  
tasya s'abda nibandhanamityarthah) See also:  
VP. I - 120.

- (2) Or the actions of objects, ie, the six changes like birth (production) which are conveyed by the verbal forms, the fact of their being manifested in Time; similarly the nature of words and their validity - all these when understood from grammar are valid; otherwise not. (yadvā . arthanām pravṛtterākhyātopāttajanmādi-  
kriyāyastattvaṃ sādhyatvaṃ sadhanākāṅkṣārūpaṃ  
kālābhivyaktihetutvaṃ ca tathā s'abdanām sa  
sādhurasya vyākaraṇāvagataḥ saṃskāro'vikalaḥ  
tadvikalāstvapabhraṃs'ā iti).

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297.

c/ VPI 132, 133

Thing-classes (arthajātayah).

The significance of words is, the thing-classes, and words themselves which convey them are conceived differently either as a class or as an individual. See Introduction p:85 and p:62.

298.

For translation the second line is read as

.....vyavasthā nityatā ucyate.



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Sūryanārāyaṇaś'ūkla takes vyavasthānityatā as a compound and interprets it as pravāhanityatā (relative eternity) as different from absolute eternity (kūṭasthānityatā). But cf. MBh. Vol. I. p:7 6.21-22

athavā nedameva nityalakṣaṇam dhruvam ~~dhruvam~~  
kūṭastham avicālī anapāyopajānavikāri anutpa-  
tthvṛddhyavyapayogi yat tannityamiti . tadapi  
nityam yasmiṃstatvam na vihanate - This, as the  
quotation shows is a definition, a vyavasthā  
(a convention) about the idea of nityatā (eternity).  
See also VPI 29 using vyavasthā as an isolate and  
directly referring to its use in the previous stanza.  
That use shows that the previous stanza has been  
discussing a certain vyavasthā (convention), and not  
using vyavasthā as an adjective forming part of a  
compound vyavasthānityatā.

299. The text is emended to "hastaspars'ādibodhena."  
Punyarāja's commentary does not follow the reading  
given in the text. See kaṇcīdeva mā<sup>g</sup>rikadeś'am  
hastaspars'anāvaganyam,..... The reading accepted  
in Sūryanārāyaṇaś'ūkla's edition is  
'hastaspars'adivā<sup>visamāpathi dhāvatī</sup>ndhena which is the same in sense  
as our emended text.

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The foot-note reading 'bandhena' is puzzling.



300. The foot-note reading 'ca' is adopted. Panyarāja also follows that reading.

301. The interpretation of the second line differs from Panyarāja's. He takes 'eko nimittam s'abdanam' as referring to 'dhvani' and 'aparo'rthe prayujyate' as referring to 'sphota'. But cf. Kārikā 46 below which clearly states that sphota is the cause (kāraṇam, which is the same as nimittam), of s'ruti's which are the same as dhvanis. The production of speech-sounds is caused by the need for the sphota to be revealed, i.e., when the meaning-conveying principle is to function.

Sūryanārāyaṇa s'ūklas interpretation is the same as given here; he also gives Panyarāja's as an alternative interpretation.

However, the difference in the interpretation of the stanza does not make any difference in the notions themselves about sphota and dhvani.

302. <sup>The are</sup> Causes ~~such as~~ the vocal chords. The alternative reading 'karanebhyah' given in the foot-note directly mentions this.

303. Panyarāja explains the three stages as follows :-  
tathā vyāvahāriko vaikhārīrūpaḥ s'abdaḥ krama -  
grāhyo'pi pratisamhṛtakrama ekabuddhiḥ viśayo bhūtvā



niravayavākramarūpeṇa buddhivisaṃyogo 'ntahkarane  
 bhūtvā 'ntahkaraṇavṛttirūpakramarūpeḍhvanidharma-  
 pratipattyaḥ punarapi vyavahāramavatarati

304. There are points of similarity and contrasts between words and the sense-faculties. The similarity between them is that both are instruments through which the nature of objects is understood. But

there is the contrast between them that in the case of the word its form must be received before it conveys its meaning while in the case of the sense-organ the knowledge of the faculty itself is an essential pre-requisite for it to act as the instrument of the perception of the object.

305. It was stated above that the word 'agni' which is uttered in everyday life to convey a thing-meant is not linked with grammatical operations. But this does not mean that the utterance of the word is not necessary for grammatical operations to be linked with it. There is, between the word <sup>as</sup> uttered in life and <sup>as used</sup> in a grammatical situation, the common feature of being uttered. But as distinct from and in addition to that, there is also in the word uttered in a grammatical situation, the capacity to be linked with a grammatical rule. In other words, the common point of utterance between the word



used in the two situations, is still further qualified by association with grammatical operations in the grammatical situation. This is illustrated in the stanza.

Puṇyārāja takes 'upamāna' as meaning 'the common attributes of comparison.'

306. The stanza is interpreted in a different way from Puṇyārāja's. According to his interpretation, the stanza means 'whatever quality is mentioned along with an object (svātantryeṇa), ~~that~~ <sup>and as that causes</sup> causing the excellence of the object'. But, if the stanza is to illustrate the same point as above, the structure of the idea must have a third storey, so to speak.

~~To explain,~~

To explain; Uccāraṇa, the common point between the utterance of a word in life and in grammar, is qualified in the case of grammar by its being linked with grammatical operations ~~(62)~~ <sup>operations</sup> (62). The common feature between an upamāna and an upameya is still further qualified, in the case of the upamāna, by other ~~attributes~~ <sup>attributes</sup> (63). In the same way, the attribute which qualifies an object is itself qualified by other attributes (ie, there is a third link in the chain of relations). For instance



s'uklam paṭam = white cloth (a case of 'white' being a qualifier). But in s'uklataram rūpam a colour which is whiter (clearer whiteness) the whiteness is qualified, and there it is mentioned as a dravya (svātantryeṇa). Puṇyarāja himself has difficulty in constructing the stanza, and so he writes 'yato guṇaḥ prakarsanetur ato yaḥ padārthaḥ svātantryeṇa dravyarūpeṇa upadiś'yate tasya svās'rita guṇādeva prakarsaḥ ityanvayaḥ'. But this is not an anvaya. This is an explanation. On the other hand, the 'yaḥ' in line one happily lends itself for correlation with the 'tasya' in line two, according to the interpretation adopted in the translation

~~Sūtra~~ <sup>Y</sup> ~~g~~ <sup>g</sup> ~~nārāyaṇa~~ S'ukla also takes the same line.  
 or also ~~svātantryeṇa~~ <sup>svātantryeṇa</sup> - ~~dravyarūpeṇa~~ <sup>dravyarūpeṇa</sup>.  
 (Goswami and Goswami - 1957)

307. Pāṇini 1.1.68

Kāś'ikā on it: iha s'āstre s'abdasya svarūpam  
 bodhanīyam. na bāhyo'rthaḥ.....aṅgārādibhyaśca  
 na dhak.....

In grammar the meaning of <sup>a</sup>the word is its form.  
 Thus the word 'agni' in the Sūtra 'agnordhak' means  
 the thing  
 the form agni and not, fire. The Sūtra does not  
 mean 'add dhak to embers'!



cf. MBh. Vol. I - p:175 - lines 25-27 and P1/6-lines  
 1 and 2. s'abdenāpthagaterarthasyā -  
 sambhavāttadvācinah samjñāpratiseḍharthaṁ  
 svamrūpavacanam (Vārttika) s'abdenoccaritenārtho  
 gamyate, gamānaya dadnyas'anetyartha āniyate arthas'ca  
 bhujyate arthasyāsamभवāt iha vyākaraṇe'rthe  
 kāryasyāsamभवah 'agnerdhak' iti na s'akyate '  
 ngārebhyaḥ paro dhak kartum

Regarding the question whether a word is a genus  
 or a particular see VPI 15 above and MBh. Vol. I -  
 p:6-8 - where the ākṛtinityatva of words is discussed  
 under the topic 'nitye s'abdārthasambandhe 'Ākṛti' as  
 conceived there refers both to words and things, and  
 when considered as nitya (eternal) it means 'genus'.  
 See also P. S. Subrahmanya Sastri - 'Lectures on  
 Patañjali's Maṇasāgama' (Annamalainagar, 1944)  
 - p:56.

308. That is, in A's pronunciation of the word 'suta'  
 the 'u' may be of the same length as in B's  
 pronunciation of the word 'sūta'; but it is only after  
 the listener has understood the word via the prā-  
 kṛtadhvani, that he can say that the length there  
 belongs to the prākṛtadhvani.

309. The ābhivyaktivādins<sup>h</sup> are the Mīmāṃsakas :

cf. S'āstradīpikā (transl: D. Venkatarāghaṇaiah, p:196.



A <sup>comes to light</sup> s'abda (dhvani) that ~~comes to light~~ after an effort is made, need not be <sup>an effect</sup> an effect exclusively; that it <sup>comes to light</sup> ~~comes to light~~ after the effort fits in with the view that s'abda is revealed (abhivyāṅgya)'.  
<sup>comes to light</sup>

310. Those who hold this type of view, according to Puṇyārāja, argue that if the object also were acted upon, then the object could equally well be perceived by another sense.
311. Thus, there is a letter in the sound-pattern which reveals the word 'gauḥ'; and listeners when they hear the sentence 'gām ānaya' will think that they are listening to the letter 'ga' which reveals the word 'gauḥ' and <sup>that</sup> ~~there~~ they recognise the word 'gauḥ' in the sentence. But this is an illusion. What we get here is a confusion of two different 'ga'-letters. cf. VP11 - 91, 92 and 94.
312. See page <sup>25</sup> ~~5~~ above, on the Mīmāṃsaka notion as to what a word is.
313. See Note 307 above.  
 cf. also Mbh. Vol. I - p:26 - lines 1 and 2. athavā ubhayataḥ sphoṭamātram nirdiś'yate. ras'ruter - las'rutirubhavatīti; this view, according to Puṇyārāja is the view of the Jātis'abdevādins, and Patañjali names the sound-genus by his use of the word Sphoṭa.  
 See also page 62 and 63 above.



314. Panyarāja gives two reasons for this, namely,  
 'since both sphota and dhvani are placed in  
 the same substratum namely space', or  
 'since it is the inner speech-principle which  
 is revealed in the form of the sounds.'
315. It was stated <sup>earlier</sup> above that the lengthening or  
 shortening which takes place as a feature of  
 individual diction is a secondary feature of  
 sound. This stanza seeks to remove a possible  
 misconception that the long or prolated vowels  
 could thus be grouped as a secondary modification  
 made by the speaker on the primary short-sound.  
 No. The long and prolated sounds are like the  
 short one, ~~a kind of~~ primary sounds (prakṛtadhvani).
316. This stanza explains the process of the  
 transformation of breath into speech-sounds, and  
 the letters (ie, meaningful speech-sounds) being  
 revealed through that. The breath which in the  
 beginning is an unbroken current, but which  
 contains the potentiality for transformation into  
 speech-sounds like 'ka', 'ca', etc., undergoes such  
 transformation at the centres of speech production.  
 Through these speech-sounds are revealed the  
 meaningful units like letters and words.



The breath dividing itself into various speech-sounds might be usefully compared to a flow of molten metal <sup>passing</sup> flowing through various grooves in a machine and forming itself into various shapes according to the shapes of the grooves.

317. One of the two foot-note readings, namely, 'sūkṣma-tvānppalabhyate' is adopted for translation.

Puṇyārāja has adopted the reading 'sūkṣma - tvāccopolabhyate' in his commentary.

318. Ṣaḍja. Name of the first or (according to some) of the fourth of the 7 Svaras or primary notes of music {Monier-Williams}: *A Sanskrit-English Dictionary*

319. cf. VP. II - 148.

320. kārye pravartate - <sup>caitanyaṁ</sup> nirvṛttikriyāprāptiḥ sa

kāryeṣu pravartate (Puṇyārāja)

svārūpaviśhāge tu saiva

vāk bāhyavastu<sup>sva</sup>rupatayā

nirvṛttivikriyāprāptiṣu karmabhāvaṁ prapadyate ity-

arthah. (Puṇyārāja)

321. Puṇyārāja also explains the two terms 'svamātrā' and 'paramātrā' as the descriptive names of two kinds of cosmology. According to the theory of svamātrā, all manifestations are apparent externalisations of the inner soul. <sup>The soul</sup> It remains inside, but ~~looks~~ appears



as if it exists in the form of external objects.  
According to the other doctrine (paramātra) the  
relation between the All-soul and the created  
world is something like that between a fire and  
a spark which flies away from it.

322. cf. <sup>The</sup> Theory of speech and Language - p: 31, para. 2.

323. cf. Catvāri s'r̥iṅgā trayo'syapādā dve s'īrṣe  
saptahastāso asya ;

trithā buddho vṛṣabho roravīti mahā devo

martya āvives'a.

- R.V IV.58.3 (quoted in MBh.Vol.I - p:3.)

324. cf VP11 - 309a, 310 - For <sup>the theory of the</sup> interpretation of one  
sentence through the evidence from another sentence  
see p:126<sup>-127</sup> above.

325. cf. MBh. - Vol.I - p:2 line 24.

gaurityasya s'abdasya gā<sup>a</sup>vī goṇī, gōtā, gopātalikā  
ityevamādayo <sup>o</sup> pāṇhram's'ah.

326. See Pāṇini VIII.1.28 and 22.

VIII 1.28 says : 'A finite verb is unaccented  
when preceded by a word which is not a finite verb.  
Eg: Devadattah pacati.

VIII .1.22 says : 'Yasmad' and 'asmad' are substituted  
for the Genitive and Dative singular 'te' and 'me'  
respectively, (when these are preceded by a word);  
and they are unaccented.



See also pages 69-70 above - The 'ādi' in the  
~~stanza~~ <sup>stanza</sup> refers to the substitution of 'yusmad' and  
 'asmad'.

cf. MBh. Vol. III - p: 373 - lines 10-14.

samānavakye nighata yusmadasmadādes'āh (Vārttika)  
 samānavakya iti prakṛtya nighatayusmadasmadādes'a  
 vaktavyāḥ. kiṃ prayojanam . nānavakye nā

bhuvanniti : ayam danda harānena, odanam, paca tava

bhaviṣyati mama bhaviṣyati . See Notes 158 above & 327 below

327. Pāṇini VIII.1.19.

All the syllables of a vocative are unaccented when  
 a word precedes it and it does not stand at the

~~beginning of a sentence.~~

<sup>ing of a hemistich</sup>  
 begin<sub>g</sub> eg. vrajāni, Devadatta. But the condition for

a vocative being unaccented is that it should be in  
 the same sentence as the preceding word which causes  
 the dropping of the accent (samānavakye). Now the

vocative is not included as forming part of the

sentence as defined by the Vārttikakāra. Hence

<sup>it might seem that</sup>

in our example it is not in the same sentence as the

preceding word. Therefore the rule regarding the

dropping of the accent seems to be violated. This

stanza answers to this objection. The vocative is

included as forming part of the sentence, since it is

considered as belonging to the category of adverbs.



Hence the definition of the sentence 'ākhyatām  
<sup>vākyaṃ ekatī</sup>  
 sāvyayakāra-kavis'eṣaṇamekatī (Vārttika on Pāṇini  
 II.1.1) includes the vocative also as the kind of  
 word which can exist in a sentence consistent with  
 the definition. See Notes 158 & 326 above

328. Two arguments are given in this stanza in favour of  
 the contention that the word is a complex whole  
 and parts in it are not real. One is that the words  
 'vṛṣabha', 'udaka' and 'yāvaka' are not found to possess  
 meaningful parts. Another is that assumptions  
 such as that a word is formed <sup>e</sup>wherever there is a  
 combination of roots and suffixes, and nowhere  
 where there is none such are only pragmatic  
 assumptions. They do not prove that words are  
 composed of real parts like roots and suffixes.

329. cf. MBH. VOL. I - p: 362 lines 12-13

ime tarṇyekaṛthibhāvaviv'eṣaṇaḥ saṁkhyāvis'eṣo

vyaktābhidhānamupasarjanavis'eṣaṇaḥ <sup>am</sup>ca yoge <sup>am</sup>lines 14-15  
 Also lines 21-22

330. vyaktābhidhānam bhavati vākya, brāhmaṇasya  
 kambalastiṣṭhatīti. <sup>vy</sup>saṁase punaraṁ <sup>a</sup>vyaktam brāhma-  
 ṇakambalastiṣṭhatīti. (The context is discussion of the  
 difference between a sentence and a compound, in the  
 latter of which there is a fusion of the meanings of  
 the components).

329a. The foot-note reading is adopted for translation.



330. This is a variety of the Akhaṇḍa view. According to <sup>it</sup> <sup>e</sup> ~~them~~ <sub>h</sub> speech and meaning are aspects of the same reality.
331. If the Padavādin says that the evidence for the existence of real units of word-meanings in the sentence is that they are perceived, then they can be proved to be non-existent if the evidence be proved non-existent. That is what the stanza seeks to do. The mind perceives word-meanings in a sentence in a series according to <sup>the</sup> <sup>n.</sup> ~~Padavādin~~ <sup>That</sup> <sup>that</sup> means <sub>h</sub> the perception of a preceding word-meaning has to terminate when the mind passes on to the next word-meaning. The meaning of this statement is that the evidence for the existence of the individual word-meaning does not exist. Consequently the doctrine that the meaning of a sentence is formed from the meaning of words also stands discredited.
332. -in different forms like 'rāja', 'rājā', 'rājñi', etc. This shows that there is no fixed form of the word. Different forms convey the same meaning.
333. The word 'rāja' in a compound like 'rājapurusa' has the same form as 'rāja', the imperative second person singular of the verb 'raj' - to shine. Hence an expression like 'he rājapurusa' ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> 'king's servant!')



can also convey the meaning 'Man shine!'  
( 'bhrajasva purusa ).

334. cf. the English, blackbird - Just as the idea of 'black' plays no part in the scheme of the meaning of the word, similarly the idea of as'va (horse) has no part in the semantic realisation of the word <sup>as'vakarna</sup> <sub>Λ</sub>.

'As'vakarna' is the name of a tree. Even though originally the tree got that name from its leaves being shaped as the ears of a horse (See Monier <sup>(Sanskrit-English Dictionary)</sup> Williams <sub>Λ</sub>, every time the word is uttered, the listener's mind does not picture the ear of a horse in understanding the meaning of the word.

335. rūdhi - words whose meanings are not derived etymologically, but conventionally fixed.

tailapāyikā, does not mean 'a woman who drinks oil' as the explanation of the word from the component words (taila-oil, pāyikā - a woman who drinks) <sup>would convey.</sup> <sub>Λ</sub> The word is fixed as meaning a cockroach.

336. cf. Ludwig Wittgenstein 'Tractus Logico - Philosophicus' <sup>(London 1933)</sup> <sub>Λ</sub> - p:189.

'My propositions are elucidatory in this way. He who understands them finally recognises them as sense-less, when he has climbed out through them, on them, over them. (He must so to speak, throw away the ladder after he has climbed up on it). He must



surmount these propositions; then he sees <sup>the world</sup> ~~then~~ rightly.

337. For discussion of the Abhihitānvaya view, see pp:52-53 above

338. See p:53, 54 and 55 above.

339. The numbering in the text is not correct. But to avoid confusion it is adopted here.

340. In other words, the same meaning as is conveyed by a word can be considered as being conveyed by the collection of the letters which form the word.

340a. See objections against the Akhaṇḍa-positions and the answers ~~to~~ them discussed above pp:28-42.

341. This is serious as it will result in the non-performance of the sacrifice which means the violation of injunction 'yajeta'.  
The wrong numbering of the stanza in the text is adopted for translation

342. This would be impossible if the total meaning of the sentence ~~wass~~ conveyed in one instalment without reference to the meaning of the words. In such cases the listener's familiarity or otherwise with the meaning of any word or words is a matter of no significance.

343. The reference is to the sentence s'vetaṁ chāgaṁ ālabheta (Sacrifice a white goat).

344. The essential difference between s'ruti and vākya is that s'ruti conveys the meaning of a sentence right from listening, while, to get its meaning from a syntactical connection, the sentence has quite



obviously, to be interpreted with reference to the relationship between the component words.

344a- The reading given in the foot-note is followed in the translation.

345. The idea is that the meaning of a phrase, or a clause or a word in the sentence is the meaning of the total sentence viewed in terms of analysis.

346. The example is given to show that perception of parts in integral cognitions is commonly seen.

347. The translation takes a different line of interpretation from Panyarāja's. Panyarāja interprets the stanza as follows :

Just as two cognitions, for instance, the cognition of 'blue' and the cognition of 'yellow' are alike in that they are both cognitions, and at the same time different when viewed from the angle of the objects <sup>cognised</sup> ~~perceived~~.... (i.e. since one is a cognition of 'blue' and the other a cognition of 'yellow').....

348. See Pāṇini I.2.27.

349. See Pāṇini III.1.33.

349a. See Pāṇini I.2.27.

350. Thus the word 'ghaṭa' means not 'roundness' and 'being made of clay', nor 'roundness' or 'being made of clay'. It means 'roundness', 'being made of clay', etc., without having any such inter-relation of combination or alternation.

351. The illusory idea which the mind forms on hearing a



word is its meaning; and this idea is linked up with an external object and thus we get the word-meaning-object triangle.

352. The meaning of individual words find unity in the meaning of the sentence. Yet the meaning of the sentence itself is obtained by a process above logical thinking, a sort of intuitive process functioning and presenting the meaning in a flash.

353. The word 'gauḥ' means 'a cow'; but the idea of a bell which hangs from the cow's neck or a flea which rests on the cow's head is not included in the <sup>area</sup> ~~limit~~ of the reference of the word.

354. 'nuṭ' (n) is an āgama and is found in words like karṭṛṇām, and gurūṇām. It is not a significant element in words because we can find genitive forms like 'bhavatām' without it. Similarly 's'ap' (the conjugational sign 'a') is not found, in examples like 'atti', whereas it is found in examples like 'pacati' cf. MBh. (on Pāṇini III.1.67) Vol. II. p.57 lines 22-27 bhāvakarmakartāraḥ sārvaśatukārthascedekadvibahuḥ niyamānupapattirataśadarthatvat (Vārttika).... vikaraṇārtha itī cetkṛtābhīhite vikaraṇābhāva (Vārttika). ~~MBh. Vol. II - p.57 - lines 23, 27.~~

355. The foot-note reading is accepted for translation.

356. In other words the verb getting its 'being' in a sentence through its association with the nominal



cases has to precede its being associated with prefixes. Why? Because for an action to be accomplished, nominal agents or instruments, are necessary and a verb is the name of an action.

356a ~~355a~~. The reading given in the footnote is followed in the translation.

357. cf MBh. Vol.I - p:434 - lines 9 and 10 -

kaḥ pun<sup>a</sup>ṣṣena kṛ<sup>t</sup>torhaḥ; samuccayo<sup>n</sup> dvācayaḥ  
itaretarayogaḥ samāhāra iti.

358. See Pāṇini I.4.57 and MBh. Vol.I - p:341 line 1-9.

358a. <sup>The</sup>Foot-note <sup>is</sup>reading <sup>is</sup>adopted for translation.

359. See Pāṇini I.4.91.

360. The view that individual letters are not meaningful is exemplified. Example: the form 'iṣkartāra' which is 'niṣkartāra' minus 'n' conveys the meaning of the latter. Assuming that the two are not two different words, having the same meaning, the interpretation of this is that a part of a word can stand for the whole which means the missing syllable is not significant from the point of view of meaning.

361. The footnote reading 'vākyapūrvikāṁ' is accepted in the place of 'vācyapūrvikāṁ'.

Puṇyarāja also follows the former reading.



362. The foot-note reading 'nirdiṣṭāste' is adopted for translation.
363. 'advami' is used as an abbreviated form of 'advamati' = to vomit, and 'kari' is used for representing 'karomi' = I do and 'karosi' = Thou doest
364. Grammatical rules are not everything. They do not deal with Reality in its ultimate aspects. Their concern is with the manifested world of things and names.
365. The foot-note reading is adopted.
366. The argument in the stanzas 243-247 is that the meaning of the sentence 'vṛkṣo nāsti' (there is no tree) is a total and undivided one and it cannot be built up from the meanings of the components, since according to the doctrine of the indivisibility of the sentence and sentence-meaning, such components or their meanings do not exist.

and rejects

The author examines the three possible ways in which the comprehension of the meaning of the sentence through analysis is possible. First can the meaning of the single word 'vṛkṣa' be negated by the particle 'na'. That is, the negation of the object tree. The answer is no. The object cannot be negated if it exists. That is making an existent into a non-existent and is impossible.



Next can the existence of the tree be negated by the particle 'na'. No, because such a concept is non-verbal in character (because it is a concept, a buddhi). Therefore its negation by the particle 'na' is not possible. The particle 'na' negates only the knowledge which is verbal in character.

Or again a third alternative is considered. Can we say that the particle 'na' states that the concept of the existence of the tree is false. This way of looking at the sentence is also wrong. This gives 'na' a function which <sup>is different from its normal function</sup> ~~it generally does not have~~, which is to state a non-existence, rather than to <sup>falsify</sup> satisfy a concept of existence.

Again, can it <sup>said</sup> be that the particle 'na' functions without any reference to a substratum. In that case, 'na' should be stated first in the sentence and not as we have in the sentence under examination.

<sup>Or</sup> Again, can it be argued that the word 'vrkṣa' is used to limit the substratum of the operation of 'na' to 'vrkṣa' (the tree). This also is wrong, because it would make a direct statement (ie, a statement of a positive fact) into a statement laying down a <sup>one</sup> restriction, or <sup>which</sup> indicates a restriction. Again if the word 'vrkṣa' is stated to limit an already understood substratum, then it is a repetition and the statement is a statement of a repetition.



in the meaning of the sentence 'vykṣaṇāsti' is impossible.

367. See the problem of the word with different meanings discussed above - pp. 87-93

367a. A hymn when employed becomes different. And these latter hymns which get their entity from the repetition of the already existent hymns of the Veda are also Vedic. Indeed, those are the really meaningful hymns and the stated ones are only pointers to them. In other words the significance of a hymn is derived from its use. Thus if the *Sāmidhenī* hymn is repeated, we have as many different hymns as there are number of repetitions.

368. According to Pāṇini V.4.50, 'the affix 'evi' comes after a word when the agent has attained to the new state expressed by the word, what the thing previously was not and when the words *kr* (to make), *bhū* (to be) and *as* (to be) are conjoined with it'. (C.S. Vasu, *Aṣṭādhyāyī*, yī. Transl. Vol. 3 (Allahabad 1897))  
Thus we get *as'uklah s'uklah sampadyate, tam karoti = s'uklikaroti*.

# In the same way there can be a form '*gorbhavati*' from '*agauḥ sampadyate go'bhavat*' (some one who is not a cow has attained to the state of a cow, he became a cow). Now, some one like a *Bāhika* can become a cow only when cow-ness is attributed to him (*as'ritapūrvavasthopacaritottaravasthātmake* - *Punyarāja*). In other words the meaning of the word '*gauḥ*' is



secondary (gauna) in that context.

In 's'uklībhavati', on the other hand, something which is not white can become white in a real sense (uttāravasthā vastusatyaiva-Puṇyārāja). Therefore the meaning of the word 's'ukla' is not secondary.

The grammatical significance of 'gaunā' in the example quoted above being considered as conveying a secondary meaning is that it will not have the designation of 'pragṛhya' (as required by Pāṇini I.1.15) in association with I.4.61 which respectively say that a nipāta which ends in the vowel 'o' will be known as 'pragṛhya' and 'ūrī' and other words (uryādayah) ending in the affixes 'cvi' and 'ḍac' when in association with verbs will be known as gatis. This is because between <sup>He</sup> primary and <sup>He</sup> secondary meanings of a word it is with reference to the primary meaning that the grammatical operations apply to <sup>it</sup> ~~them~~. Thus the Mbh:evamtarhi Line 17  
gaunāmukhyayor mukhye kāryasampratyaṣya iti-Vol. I, p: 71.

A question might be asked here. If grammatical operations take place only in such words as are used as conveying their primary meaning then how <sup>do</sup> the Sūtras VII.1.90 and VI.1.93 operate in regard to words like 'go' as occurring in the resultant forms in sentence like 'gaurbāhikastīṣṭhati' and 'gām bāhikamanaya' respectively when obviously the word is used in its



secondary sense.

The answer to this question is that the statement about grammatical operations not taking place in regard to words which convey a secondary meaning applies only when such words refer to words as distinct from prātipadikas or bases. The rule about vṛddhi in VII.1.90 applies to prātipadikas, for instance to 'go', which, with the change of the vowel 'o' into 'au' becomes 'gauḥ' in the sentence 'gaurbāhikaṣṭisthati'; similarly the 'ā' in accordance to VI.1.93 in such examples like 'gām bāhikamānaya'.

cf. MBh. Vol. I - p: 71 - lines 14 - 21.

śāstrapratiśedhaḥ (vārtika) . ādān



369. Pāṇini VIII.3.82.
370. Pāṇini VI.1.153.
371. - such as a defect in vision, etc., causing the vision of a duplicating<sup>e</sup> moon.
372. The reading given in the foot-note is corrected to 'pratyāyyerthe' and is adopted for translation; 'pratyāpyo' in the stanza and 'pratyāp<sup>y</sup>ne' in the footnote are obviously 'pratyāyyo' and 'pratyāyye' wrongly printed.
373. The four cases stated above are explained and illustrated in 308, 309a, (309b, 310, 311a, 311b), (312, 313, 314) and 315 respectively.  
See also pages 110 to 115.
374. The Addenda gives an additional stanza between 317 and 318.  
sāmarthyamaucitī des'ah  
kālo vyaktiḥ svarādayah  
s'abdarthasyānavacchede  
vis'esasartihetavah .
375. An altered reading of the text is suggested and adopted in translation. Instead of 'vācyās'ca' in the 2nd line read 'vācyas'ca'.
376. The reference is to one-word-sentences such as 'vrksah'. The word implies the verb 'tisthati' (one of the possible verbs). Thus 'vrksah' means 'Here stands a tree'.
377. Eg: (Punyarāja) varsati - (devo) varsati  
varsati - (jalam) varsati
378. More examples to prove the point that an uttered piece



can convey more than what is warranted by its form alone. In other words, it also conveys the meaning of some word or words implied in it.

On 330a, see Pāṇini II.3.14.

Regarding the function of upas'argas (stanza 330b) see ABh. Vol. I - p:365 - lines 17-19 in a slightly different context.

upasargāśca punarevamātmakāḥ, yatra kaścitkriyā -  
vācī s'abdhāḥ prayujyate tatra kriyāvis'eṣamāṇāḥ'

379. They : the utterance 'vrkṣaḥ' and the utterance 'vrkṣastisthati.' It was stated earlier that the piece 'vrkṣaḥ' can convey the meaning of 'vrkṣastisthati.' Then why should the latter be used at all ? Why not always <sup>use</sup> 'vrkṣaḥ' for 'vrkṣastisthati.'

That question is answered in the stanza.

The numbering of the stanzas, 334 a onwards is wrong, but it is adopted here.

380. Thus the way one student analyses a sentence as an aid to his understanding of the meaning of the sentence will be different from that adopted by another student. And these are all nothing more than devices.

381. Pūṣyaśāstra constructs the third line as 'tasya sambandhī arthah' (the meaning connected to it, that is, its meaning). This is, ~~possible~~, possible. But it seems it is better to interpret the line as



'its meaning which is connected to the meaning of another word not uttered, but inferable'

'sambandhī' correlating the word 'artha' with the word 'arthāntarasya' understood. (Punyarāja, in fact, uses the word in this connection). However, the general idea of the stanza, is the same whichever way it is interpreted.

382. The reference there is to the definitions of noun and verb. Nouns have existence (sattva) as their pradhāna; verbs have becoming (bhāva). The contradiction here is that ~~the same~~ <sup>also</sup> s'abda (eg. dvaram), if it brings to light, the verb, has both functions nominal and verbal.

cf. Yaska, Nirukta I.1 on nouns and verbs.

383. cf. Yaska, Nirukta I.1.

indriyanityam vacanam audumbarāyanam.

indriya is here rendered as buddha

Also: Nirukta I.2 - tatra catustvam nopapadyate... s'astrakṛtyogaśca; vyāptimatvattu

The meaning of the word 'arthayogam' is taken in the translation in <sup>a</sup>the different way from Punyarāja's. He interprets it as: 'tasyaiva arthena pratibhālakṣaṇena yogam sambandham dṛṣṭvā.....'



The translation interprets 'vākyaasya arthayogam' as 'the connection of artha (word-meanings) to the sentence; and this connection is laukikam, ie, something that is ascribed to it as different from being a fundamental fact in it and of it. cf. 349 below

'na lake pratipatrnam

arthayogātorasiddhayaḥ ; which also Puṇyārāja interprets in a different way. He takes artha as 'a thing in reality'.

384. cf. Nirukta quoted above :

vyāptimatvāt tu <sup>sya</sup>śabda<sub>x</sub> anīyastvācca śabdena samjñāka<sub>anām</sub> <sup>loke</sup>.

385. An exception which is implied in a statement strictly forms part of the statement of the rule itself, and therefore it can be considered as being verbally made in the rule itself; but since there is no distinct statement of it, apparently it is not verbally made (as 'abdamiva). As the next stanza says, the s'ruti, ie, the statement about Brāhmanas and dadhi (sour-milk) is made including the exception of the mātharas. And the further <sup>that mātharas</sup> statement <sup>should be given</sup> ~~connecting mātharas with~~ takra (butter-milk) makes a re-statement of this fact.



386. Reading : The foot-note reading <sup>d</sup>sambadho is accepted. The second line reads

' samjñā praviveke na kalpyate (and not as 'samjñāpraviveke' in combination).

387. According to this it is the word which has become an object of sense-perception, i.e., the ear, which conveys the meaning. cf. P.P. 83-84 above, and notes 186, 187, 188

388. - According to the dictum 'caturthāt, anajādaū, ca lopah pūrvapadasya ca' etc. quoted by Puṇyārāja

See MBh. ~~Vol. 2. p. 425~~ <sup>lines 2-12</sup> (on Pāṇini V. 3. 83)   
 thājādāvūrdhvaṃ dvitīyādacaḥ) caturthāt   
 caturthālōpo vaktavyaḥ ; brhaspatidattakaḥ   
 brhaspatikaḥ . prajāpatidattakaḥ prajāpatikaḥ .   
 anajādaū . ca . anajādaū ca lōpo vaktavyaḥ .   
 dēvadattakaḥ dēvakaḥ . yajñadattakaḥ yajñakaḥ ,   
 lōpaḥ pūrvapadasya ca . pūrvapadasya ca   
 lōpo vaktavyaḥ . dēvadattakaḥ dattakaḥ .   
 yajñadattakaḥ dattakaḥ . and so on.

389. Pāṇini VIII. 4. 3.

390. cf. ~~cf. Vol. 26 and~~ Pāṇini II. 1. 57

See above pages 136 - 140

391. Long technical terms such as saṁkhyā (according to one view) (MBh. Vol. I - page 81 - lines 26-29).   
 upasarjanam (MBh. Vol. I - p: 215 - lines 7-11).



kāraka (MBh.Vol.I p:324 - lines 7-9)

karma pravacaniya (MBh.Vol.I p:346 - lines 15-18)

These are called long technical terms because they are longer than a saṃjñā ought to be and are explainable through their component elements.

Nimitta: Puṇyārāja explains 'nimitta' as the component element of the word. In a long technical term, which is interpreted in terms of the component elements, they, obviously, form the causal factors in the understanding of the meaning of the term. Patañjali explains a nimitta as some thing known and a nimittī as something unknown. (nirjñāto'rthe nimittam anirjñāto'rthe nimittī. MBh.Vol.II p: 1 lines 16 and 17).

392. It is on repetition that the meaning of such a technical term is conveyed via its elements. In the case of a technical term which is not a product of smaller units, such a secondary stage is not necessary, to explain its meaning. To resume the explanation of the understanding of the meaning of a long technical term, for instance, the term kāraka, one gets the explanation of the term 'karoti kārakaṃ' on its repetition. (MBh.VOL.I p:324 line 9)
- Indeed, the purpose of coining such long terms is that such terms must be understood as being expressive of



their significance (tatra mahatyā samjñāyāḥ karaṇa  
etatprayojanamanvarthasamjñā yathā vijñāyeta.karoti  
karakasiti MBh. same as above - lines 8 and 9).

393. See pages 138-140 above.

394. Pāṇini I.1.23 and V.1.22. See also MBh.Vol.I  
pp:80-82

athava <sup>t</sup>acāryapravṛttirjñāpayati bhavayekādikāyāḥ  
saṁkhyāyāḥ ~~saṁkhyāyāḥ saṁkhyāyāḥ~~ saṁkhyāprades'eṣu  
saṁkhyāsampratyaya iti, yadāyam saṁkhyāyāḥ  
atis'adantāyāḥ kan iti tis'adantāyāḥ pratiṣedham  
s'asti — p: 81. lines 20-23 .

395. Pāṇini I.2.33 and II.3.49.

See also MBh. VOL.I p:20 - lines 1-4.

396. cf. MBh.Vol.I p:41 - lines 10-16.

397. cf.MBh. same

na cocyate pratyekamiti pratyekam ca bhuji  
samapyaate — line 12

398. A service done to Brahmins while performing sacrifice

399. The employment of the same lamp by several students  
to read is an example of the operation of the  
principle of tantra - or the principle by which  
something discharges its function on a group-basis.

400. Pāṇini I.1.1

See MBh. Vol.I - pp:37-41.



atha samjñeti prakṛtya vṛddhyādayaḥ s'abdāḥ  
 paṭhitavyāḥ (p.37.1.26).....yathā laukikavaidikeṣu  
 (p.38.1.14 - Vārttika) .....liṅgena va (p.39.1.1.  
 Vārttika).....pratyekaṁ vṛddhiguṇasamjñe bhavata  
 iti vaktavyam. kiṁ prayojanam.. samadāye nā  
 bhūtāmiti (p.41.1.5-6).....pratyavā<sup>y</sup>ḥyam ca vākya-  
 parisamāpteh (p.41.1.16. Vārttika).

401. See MBh. above p:41 - lines 11-14.

402. This is because the fact of vṛsala-ness is  
 satisfied by 'one of them'.

403. See Pāṇini VIII.4.2.MBh.Vol.III p:453.

A non-technical illustration : MBh.above. lines 16-17  
 gargaḥ saha na bhoktavyamiti pratyekaṁ ca na  
 bhoktavyam samuditaisca.

404. When the sentence<sup>ne</sup> is given in the form 'Devadatta-  
 Yajñadatta-Viṣṇumitrāḥ bhojyantām'.

405. Vīpsā. Of Pāṇini VIII.1.4.

406. See stanza 416 for a similar use of the word  
 'abhidhiyate'

Just as words are not recognised in the sentence  
 when the listener comprehends the sentence, so is the  
 case of clauses in a mahāvākya.

407. That is, according to the Advaitābhidhāna view of the  
 Padavādi-Mīmāṃsakas (See VPII 44). According to them,  
 then, the meaning of the sentence is realised in  
 parts at the focal points of the words. The



Mīmāṃsakas, therefore, uphold the notion of 'pratyekam <sup>vākya</sup> <sub>k</sub> parisamāpti' (culmination of the meaning of the sentence in the component parts individually) in interpreting the meaning of the sentence, its nature and realisation.

408. The original meaning of the word is an unqualified meaning and the meaning which the word gets from its connection with other words in the sentence is a qualified meaning. Thus the word 'gauḥ' which as an isolate means 'the animal with dew-laps, etc' means the same thing qualified by the act of 'bringing' <sup>when it is used</sup> while <sub>k</sub> in the sentence 'gām ānaya' (Bring the cow). See pp:53 -55 above.

409. pratyekam tu samāptō'srthaḥ saha bhūteṣu vartate — VP-II - 117.

410. The reading which Puṇyārāja adopts in his commentary is :

2nd line : sambandho 'rthena tadvatam

It is adopted for translation.

411. cf. MBh. Vol.I p:220 -lines 10-24.

samghātasyaikārthyāt subabhāvo varṇāt — l. 12-13

This occurs in the context of the discussion whether individual letters in a word are meaningful or not. The notion stated in 403 is not accepted by Patañjali himself and Bhartṛhari follows him in that. The



Vākyapadiya states it, not necessarily approving of it, though it does not make a statement of its disapproval.

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412. cf. MBh. VOL. I p:219<sub>h</sub> and 220. l. 1-2

#<sub>h</sub> bahavo hi s'abda<sub>h</sub>kārthā bhavanti. tadyathā.  
indrah s'akraḥ puruhūtaḥ purandaraḥ.....ekasca  
s'abdo bahvarthaḥ . tadyathā . akṣaḥ padaḥ nāśa iti

413. cf. MBh. Vol. II - p:386 - lines 4 and 5

evam yo 'sāvānnāye 'syavānas'abdah padyate so'sya  
padārthaḥ

414. The first line is emended to 'arthasya pratipāḍakān'

415. See Note 412 above.

416. The text is wrongly printed here. It should be as  
Punyaraja takes it 'prayogādabhisandhānamanyatpadesu  
na vidyate.'

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The Nānās'abdavādin is speaking here. Since according to him, all so-called instances of the same word are really different words, there is no question of the same word having several meanings, thus necessitating the special aiming of the word at the meaning which is to be conveyed (409) as the Ekas'abdavādin holds.

417. cf. VP. II. 327a, 327b and 328 a.

418. cf. VP. I. 86, where, however, the understanding of parts which are unreal is stated to be the incapacity of the speaker.



419. According to the Anvitābhīdhāna-view, thus the synthesis between the various word-meanings is the meaning of the sentence and that synthesis is not something built up word by word but something which already exists in the very first word.

See pp:53-59 above.

420. cf. MBh.Vol.III p:57 - line 14.

See also lines 15-28 and page 58 - lines 1-7.

Siddham tu dharmopades'ane 'navayavavijñānāt-(Vāyākya

— p.57. line 14.

- # 421. Nages'abhatta : Sphoṭavāda - p:14

#  
evam ghaṭamānaya 'ityādaḥ saṃsargarūpo vakya -  
rthah samudāyas'akyah.

422. The argument is continued from the previous stanza. Reality is expressed in the form of statements, and statements, either positive or negative are in the form of sentences. It follows from this that only sentences and not words can convey reality, which is the meaning of the sentence. Therefore it is wrong to conceive that the meaning of a sentence is conveyed from the words composing it. Even when we mention the name of a single object it takes the form of a sentence.

cf. VP.II. 327a - 328a, 329b and 340a.



423. MBh. Vol.I - p: 367 - lines 10 - 16.
424. They are not final truths in the ultimate analysis.
425. The term 'karaṇa' in line 2 does not mean instrumental; it means 'action', the word being used as the noun form, of the root kr = to do. Puṇyaraṇa explains <sup>the idea</sup> as follows: In the sentence 'pacikriyāṃ karomi' (I do cooking) 'cooking' is a noun and is used as an accessory to the action of 'doing' and therefore is a sādhanā. In the sentence 'pacāmi' (I cook) <sup>is the verb</sup> ~~the verb is~~ 'cook' and hence its meaning is the sādhyā, the thing to be accomplished, the objective.
426. The same point is made that objects, that is, the referents of words have several and sometimes conflicting possibilities and that it is the use of the word with a specific intention by the speaker which specifies a particular aspect of a meaning as operative in a certain context (442) cf. Tractus Logico-Philosophicus p: 35 'Objects contain the possibility of all states of affairs'.
427. The numbering of the <sup>first</sup> stanza <sup>as 440,</sup> in the text is wrong. It is, however, followed here.
428. In other words since 'conjunction' is an attribute of the conjoined, a description of the conjoined objects is necessary to describe the character of



'conjunction'. This means that the mere word 'saṃyoga' does not describe the nature of the relation it names. Similarly the relationship known as 'samavāya' is expressed by implication in the relation saṃyoga.

429. <sup>m</sup>~~Matrayā~~ : yadā tasya mātrayā niyatasaṃkhyākena  
 alpiyasa s'addena yogo <sup>( )</sup> thisaṃ <sup>( )</sup> Xandho dra'yate -  
 Puṇyārāja. Example : igyaṇaḥ saṃprasāraṇaṃ  
 Pāṇini 1.1.45. The Sūtra means that the  
 substitutes i, u, r and l which comes in the place  
 of y, v, r and l will be known as saṃprasāraṇaṃ.  
 Eg. yaj = iṣṭaṃ, vap = uṇṭaṃ  
 Or, alternatively, the sentence 'igyaṇaḥ' meaning  
 the substitution of ik (i,u,r,l) for yaṇ (y,v,r,l)  
 will be known by the name saṃprasāraṇaṃ.

Now the point of quoting this example is to present an argument in favour of the Akhaṇḍa-  
 position that sentences convey their meaning as  
 indivisible units. The sentence of which the name  
 is saṃprasāraṇaṃ, that is, which is constituted by  
 the single word 'saṃprasāraṇaṃ' conveys the meaning  
 of substitution of 'ik' for 'yaṇ'. Being a single-  
 word-sentence, it cannot be argued by any one that  
 the sentence conveys its meaning through its  
 component parts.



cf. MBh. Vol. I - p:111 and p:112.

430. Pāṇini VIII.1.28 also VP.11.2-6.

431. The reading 'vidyate' is corrected to 'bhidyate'.

432. mrgaḥ pas'yatā yāti (See, there goes a deer)

433. Eg. vrīhaye bahavo <sup>of</sup> vahanyantām. (Let lots of cultivated rice be threshed) Here, there is a logical incompleteness, since the agent, instruments, etc., of the action <sup>of</sup> threshing are not mentioned; but there is no incompleteness in utterance. Hence the sentence is considered as having a complete meaning.

434. In this connection <sup>the point is made</sup> ~~it is stated~~ <sup>essed</sup> that there need not be complete parity between the manner of the use of words in sentences and the meanings they convey. Thus, ~~at~~ the two sentences 'cankramyamāno' <sup>dhī</sup> 'dhīva' (Recite while moving about) and 'japamścankramaṇam kuru' (Move about while reciting), the word 'cankramyamāna' is secondary in the first sentence and primary in the second, <sup>it</sup> being a subsidiary verb in the former and a principal one in the latter. Similarly with the word 'jap' (or adhi<sup>its</sup>va) also there is a difference in the manner of ~~their~~ <sup>its</sup> use. But despite this distinction in the nature of the use of the words, there is no difference in the meaning that they convey since the meaning of the sentence



in either case is an injunction to perform the act of reciting.

Puṇyārāja also gives an alternative explanation of the examples. According to this explanation it is only the word 'caṅkramyamāṇa' whose nature and use is studied here. There is no difference in the function of the word in the two sentences. In both it serves the purpose of being an action subsidiary to recital. But there is a distinction in the nature of <sup>its</sup> usage. In the first sentence it is used as an auxiliary verb, while in the second <sup>ance,</sup> sentence, as a principal verb.

435. 1. the method which ~~must~~ consists in the order in which the subsidiary actions are to be performed, thus gradually building up the main action.

2. the effect, i.e., whatever is stipulated as the fruit of the action, heaven, children, and so on.

436. The passage referred to is 'saptadas'aprajāpatya - nekavarṇānājamstūparāṇalacheta' (He should sacrifice for Prajāpati, 17 hornless he-goats all of one colour).

437. <sup>B</sup> 'bhedo na pravibhajyate' in the 2nd line is emended to 'bhedena pravibhajyate'.

This stanza cites and explains another example for the point <sup>made</sup> ~~stated~~ in 459, that the same verb can be



applicable to several sentences. The verb *bhuj* =  
to eat in the sentence 'Devadatta-<sup>datta-</sup>Yajña<sub>h</sub>Viṣṇumitrā  
bhojyantāṁ' (Devadatta, Yajñadatta and  
Viṣṇumitra are to be fed) refers individually to  
the three subjects combined in the compound  
'DevadattaYajñadattaViṣṇumitrāḥ'. That is the  
meaning of the sentence pertains to the three  
individuals individually.

438. Pāṇini III.4.67 (Kartari kṛt) which says : the kṛt-  
suffix (occurs) in the sense of the agent (eg,  
pācakah). This is a general statement which means  
the Sūtra has a general meaning. This meaning is  
later on particularised in specific examples like  
pas'u.
439. E g: 'Devadattah pacati', 'Yajñadattah pacati'. In  
these sentences the action is particularised by the  
individual subject and other particular factors.  
Thus we can paraphrase the verb in sentence (1) as  
Devadattakartrkā pacatikriyā (the action of cooking  
with Devadatta as its agent). In sentences like  
'pacate', 'yajate', etc., on the other hand, the ver  
has a general signification.

Even when verbal forms show distinction of  
(see stanza 466)  
tense, as for instance in 'pacati', 'apāksīt', 'pakṣyati'  
(cooks, cooked, will cook respectively), or



distinctions caused by the nouns associated with them, as for instance in 'uṣṭrāsikā āśyante' (There is the sitting like the sitting of camels), or in 'hataś'āyikā ś'āśyante' (There is the lying like the lying of the dead), the verb fundamentally conveys the verbal idea in general when used to do so (see next stanza). cf. MBh Vol. I p. 256 lines 19 & 20.

katham punarjñāyate bhāvavacanāḥ pacādaya iti.  
yadeṣaṁ bhavatinā sāmādhikaranyam, bhavati pacati,  
bhavati pakṣyati, bhavatyapakṣiditi.

Vol. II p. 57 lines 3 and 4.

tiṇabhihite cāpi tadā bhāve bahuvacanam s'rūyate.  
tadyathā. uṣṭrāsikā āśyante. hataś'āyikā ś'āśyanta  
uṣṭrāsikā āśyante (There is the sitting like the sitting of camels); hataś'āyikā ś'āśyante (there is the lying like the lying of the dead) ; in both cases the verb is used in the impersonal passive (bhāve) and conveys the verbal idea in general as its meaning. Nevertheless, the verb is used in the plural, as an exception to the general rule that when <sup>U</sup> verbs are used in the impersonal passive, <sup>they</sup> verbs will be in the singular. Thus in these two sentences the verb shows the plural number of the noun (sādhanaṁ) with which it is linked. Camels have various ways of sitting



and a plurality is inherent in the meaning of the noun form 'ustrāsikā' itself. This plurality also appears in the verb 'āsyante.' Similarly the dead lie in many ways, and the plurality thus inherent in the very meaning of the noun, 'hataś'āyikā' appears also in the verbal form 's'āsyante.' cf. Nages'abhattas Mahābhāṣyapradī - podyota (Biblio : Indica. No. 1231) Vol. 4 - pages 332 and 336. Foot - note.

ustrāṇāḥ hi āsikaḥ svarūpata eva vilakṣaṇāḥ  
hataśca nānaprakāram s'erate uttānā avatānāḥ  
vikīrṇakes'āḥ vis'rastavastāḥ ityādi.  
tatsādṛś'yadākhyātavācyasyāpi bhāvasya  
svarūpagatabhedāvabhāśādbahuvacanam bhavatyeva.



440. akṣāḥ=a certain kind of seed,  
the pole of a cart, or

the seed of a plant used in dice.

akṣāḥ bhakṣyantām bhojyantām dīvyantām (Let akṣas be eaten, bent or thrown). This kind of composite utterance is not usual in actual life. But like the sentences 'sveto dhāvate' it can be <sup>used</sup> quoted for illustration.

441. When the word akṣāḥ is used as stated in the previous stanza, it is a common form under which three different words, 'akṣāḥ', 'akṣāḥ', 'akṣāḥ' are uttered. cf. The explanation of the word 's'veto' in 'svetodhāvati' according to the principle of tantra (See V.P.II.113).

442. Thus the two words 'akṣa' and 'yakṣa' for instance have necessarily to be used one after the other, because they do not possess a common form under which they can be uttered in union. But in the word 'akṣāḥ', we have according to one view three different words, 'akṣāḥ', 'akṣāḥ' and 'akṣāḥ' uttered in union. This is because they have a common form; and They are different words because they have different meanings.

443. That is, this view, instead of considering that 'akṣāḥ' akṣāḥ



is a composite of three different words considers its meaning as a composite of three different meanings.

444. Thus the word 'akṣāḥ' is a composite of the three words 'akṣāḥ', 'akṣāḥ' and 'akṣāḥ' and from the composite utterance 'akṣāḥ bhakṣyantām bhojyantām dīvyantām' we get 'akṣo bhakṣyatām, {akṣo bhojyatām' and 'akṣo dīvyatām'.

445. See Note on 474.

446. See Note on 474.

447. Examples of such sentences :

's'veto dhāvati' (VP. II 115) and 'igyaṇaḥ samprasāraṇam' (Pāṇini I.1.45) . See Note 429 above.

cf. Mbh. Vol. I - pages : 111 - 112.

vibhaktivis'epanirdes'astu jñāpaka

ubhayasamjñātvasya - (Vārṇikā), p. III. l. 14)

448. See Notes 429 and 447 above.

The term līṅga = jñāpaka of MBh. (See Quotation above).

449. The Sūtra referred to is Pāṇini I.1.59. The Kāś'ikā paraphrases the Sūtra as : dvirvacananimitte ci ajādes'ah sthānivadbhavati dvir vacana eva kartavye - ~~kāś'ikā~~. That is, when followed by an



affix having an initial vowel, which causes re - duplication, the substitute which takes the place of a vowel is like the original vowel only for the purpose of re - duplication. Eg. papatuh.

The formation of this form in the 3rd person dual number from the root  $\bar{p}a$  = to drink will illustrate this Sūtra. To form this, the affix 'atus' is added to the root. So we get  $\bar{p}a + atus = p + zero + atus$  according to Pāṇini VI.4.64 which states that the 'ā' of the root is elided before ārtahatuka affixes beginning with a vowel and which are 'kit' or 'nit' and before 'it'.

The next stage is the re-duplication of the root according to Pāṇini VI.1.8 which states that a root consisting of a single vowel is re-duplicated before the terminations of the perfect. Now, since what remains of the root after the elision of 'ā' is only 'p', the provision according to VI.1.8 of the root consisting of a single vowel does not exist. To remove that difficulty we have the operation of the rule under discussion (ie. I.1.59). According to this rule, the zero which comes in the place of the 'ā' in the root  $\bar{p}a$  (ie, in the sitting  $p + zero + atus$ ),



must be treated like the 'ā' itself. That is, for the purpose of the operation of re-duplication we should consider that the 'ā' is still there.) Hence it may be considered that the root which is to be re-duplicated is 'pā' - thus satisfying the condition of VI.1.8.

Now the point of the Vākyapadiya referring to Patañjali's discussion of this Sūtra is to quote a remark which is made in that connection in the Mahābhāṣya regarding the employment of the principle of ekas'esa or tantra in the use of words or word-combinations. To explain, if a single use of a word or word-combination is intended to convey its occurrence more than once, then the word is used according to the principle of ekas'esa or tantra. In the Sūtra in question, namely, 'dvirvacane'ci', the word 'dvirvacana' (re-duplication) is used to stand for the occurrence of the word twice in the Sūtra. It will be noted that the paraphrasing of the Sūtra by the Kāś'ikā, given above, contains the word 'dvirvacana' mentioned twice. (See underlined). According to the Mahābhāṣya the single mention of 'dvirvacana' in the Sūtra is a combination



of two instances of its occurrence and therefore can stand for both.

See MBh. - Vol.I - p:156 - lines 17 and 18 -

katham punarekena yatnena ubhayam labhyam.

ekas'esanirdesh<sup>or</sup>am. dvirvacanam ca

dvirvacanam ca dvirvacanam.

450. S.K. Belwalkar suggests the possibility that Baiji, Saubhava and Haryakṣa are traditional elaborations<sup>ors</sup> of the Paninian system somewhere between 470 AD - 650 AD. See Systems of Sanskrit Grammar p.35 (Poona, 1915) foot-note 1. But this obviously is impossible as the three authors must have been before Candrar's time if Bhartrhari's account is to be relied upon, and Dr. Belwalkar himself <sup>summarises it</sup> does on p.41 of his work.

451. The mountain referred to is Trikūṭa. The legend is that on Trikūṭa was found the text of the Science of Grammar composed by Ravana. A certain Brahmaraksas took it away and gave it to teachers like Candrar and Vasurātāguru. They then developed it into a science with many branches. On Candrar and



<sup>guru</sup>  
 Vasurāta, see Systems of Sanskrit Grammar  
 pp: 57 - 62.

452. The teacher referred to is Vasurāta <sup>guru</sup> mentioned in 451 above. According to Panyarāja, the statement 'this was composed by our teacher' only means 'composed through the blessings of the <sup>our</sup> teacher'.

453. cf. Tractus Logico-Philosophicus p:77  
 'The object of Philosophy is the logical clarification of thoughts.....

'The result of philosophy is not a number of  
 'philosophical propositions' but to make  
 propositions clear'.

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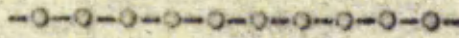
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# ABBREVIATIONS

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| Biblio : Indica | = | Bibliotheca Indica. |
| Transl.         | = | Translation.        |
| MBh.            | = | Mahābhāṣya          |
| VP              | = | Vākyapadīya.        |
| RV              | = | R̥g Veda.           |





Erratum.

The following are the verses among the Sanskrit passages quoted on pages 298 - 342 (inclusive of both) besides those from the text of the Vakyapadiya .

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dhvaniḥ sphoṭasca ..... tatsvabhavātaḥ

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sākāṅkṣasābdairyo ..... na cānumā

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mukhyārthabādhē ..... lakṣaṇāropitakriyā

Any other passages typed verse - like is so by mistake.