Anonymous Tone Linking in Olusamia

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Typology of Tone & Intonation 2

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Distinctive Tone Linking (Somali)

	Nominative	**Vocative**	**Genitive**	**Absolutive**
'males'	rag	–	r**á**g	r**á**g
'billy-goat'	orgi	**ó**rgi	org**í**	**ó**rgi
'mothers'	hooyooyin	h**ó**oyooyin	hooyooy**í**n	hooyo**ó**yin
'family'	xaas	–	xa**á**s	x**á**as
	No H	**Initial** μ	**Final** μ	**Penultimate** μ

(Hyman, 1981; Banti, 1988; Yip, 2002)

Basic Claim

Distinctive Tone Linking follows from Anonymous Tone Linking

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Tone Patterns in Olusamia

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1 σ 2 μ	(μ́ μ)$_\sigma$	(μ́ μ́)$_\sigma$	(μ́ μ́)$_\sigma$	(μ́ μ́)$_\sigma$
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c. xu[balíre		*!	
d. xu[baliré		*!*	
e. xu[balire	*!		

Derivation of Infinitive

Input: oxú[deexa

	STEM(H)	ALIGN(R)	*ALIGN(L)	*NO-RISE
☞ a. oxu[deexá				
b. oxú[deéxá				*!
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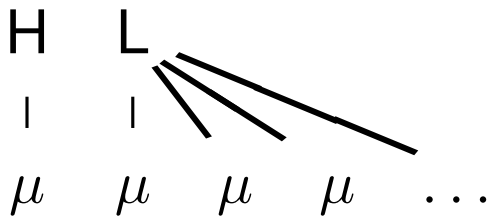

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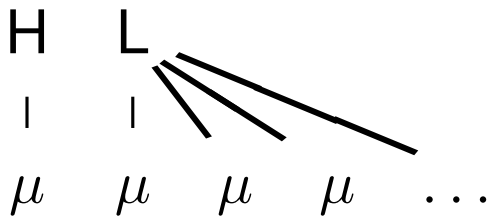

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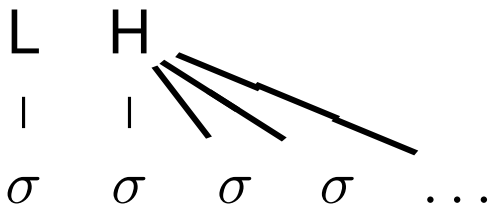

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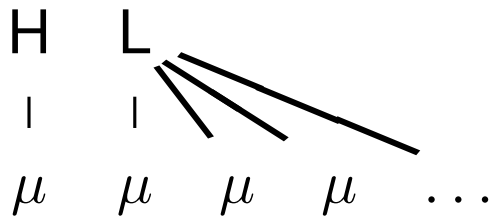

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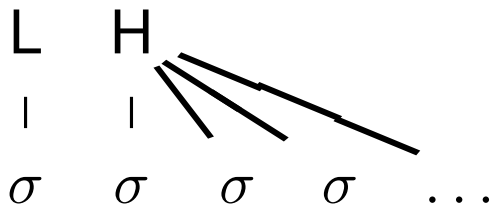

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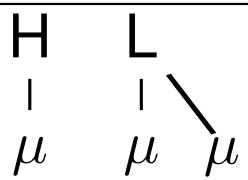
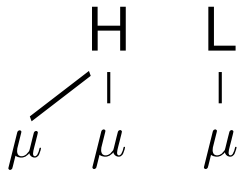
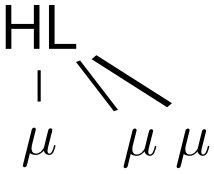
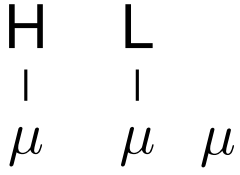
☞ a. 			*
b. 			*!*
c. 		*!	
d. 	*!		*

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IDENT |

If an underlying tone **T** is linked to a TBU **U**

any output tone corresponding to **T**

must be linked to a TBU corresponding to **U**

Derivation of Negative Recent Past

Input: liire + H_a L_b / μ_1

	UNIFORMITY	IDENT |	$^*\sigma_T$	$^*\mu_T$
☞ a. l i i r e (H_a: μ_1; L_b: μ_2; μ_3)				**
b. l i i r e (H_a: σ, μ_1; μ_2; L_b: σ, μ_3)		*!	**	

Derivation of Infinitive

Input: deexa + L_a H_b / σ_1

	UNIFORMITY	IDENT |	$*\sigma_T$	$*\mu_T$
a. d e e x a		*!		**
☞ b. d e e x a			**	

Derivation of Conditional

Input: biidooka + L_a H_b L_c / σ_1

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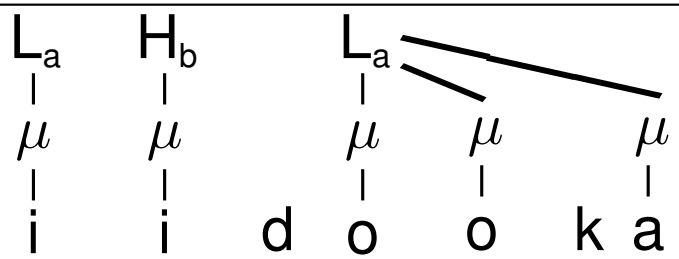
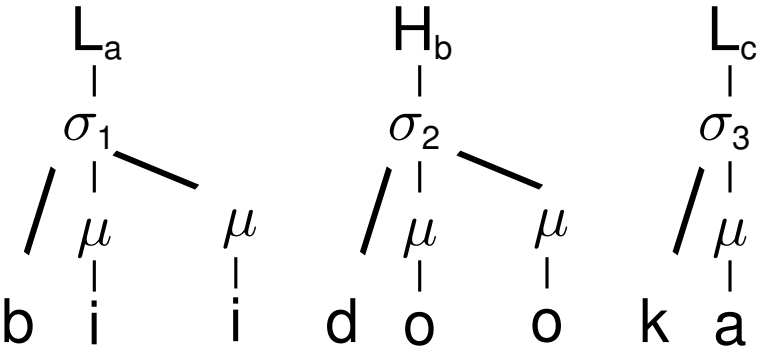
a. b i i d o o k a 		*!	
☞ b. b i i d o o k a 			

Non-Uniform Output

Input: biidooka + L_a H_b L_c / σ_1

	UNIF	IDENT |	. . .
a. b i i d o o k a	*!		
☞ b. b i i d o o k a			

Inputs without TBUs (Negative Recent Past)

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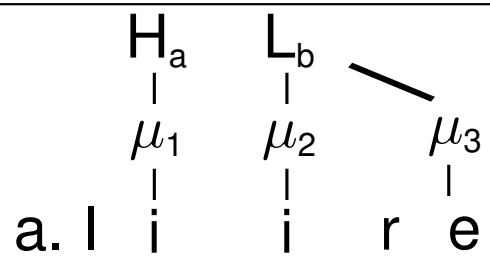
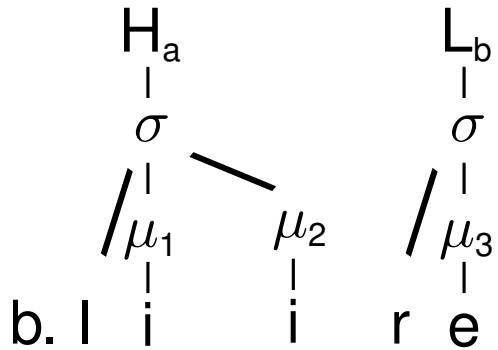
☞ a. 				**
b. 			*!*	

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b. l i i r e		*	*!*	

Too few TBUs . . .

	Negative Recent Past	**Present**	**Infinitive**	**Conditional**
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Basic Pattern	μ́ μ^+	μ μ́ $\acute{\mu}^+$	σ $\acute{\sigma}^+$	σ σ́ σ^+

If possible

- H is retained
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