

# CREE VERB PARADIGMS

Note: These paradigms are made to accompany the three volumes of *Spoken Cree*. They consist of a revised and updated (2015) version of :  
Ellis, C. D. (1971) Cree Verb Paradigms. *International Journal of American Linguistics*. Vol. 37, No. 2 (Apr., 1971), pp. 76-95.  
<http://www.jstor.org/stable/1264642>

The notation is the one used in the three volumes of *Spoken Cree* and thus slightly differs from the 1971 version.

The tables use the following notation<sup>1</sup>:

- w in Table 1 and 24 is used to represent an alternation between /w/ and zero, conditioned by factors not yet fully understood.
- W indicates dropping of final, postconsonantal /w/ in Moose and West Coast of James Bay Cree. It is still heard in postconsonantal final position in certain dialects of East (i.e. Quebec) Cree.
- l indicates lengthening of a preceding vowel which is not already long. In all cases presented here, the suffix consists of -o<sup>l</sup>... If a stem ends in a vowel, the initial /o/ of the suffix drops, and the short vowel of the stem lengthens: api-o<sup>l</sup>pan → apîpan *he sat*. If a stem ends in /n/, the o is lengthened: pahkišin-+...o<sup>l</sup>pan → pahkišinôpan *he fell*.
- t indicates a morpheme-initial /i/ that does not cause mutation of a preceding /t/<sup>2</sup>. (Mutation means that /t/ becomes c /tʃ/ or š /ʃ/. This /i/, from Proto Algonquian \*ě, is normally spelled i. (It was written e in the 1971 paper).
- ~ indicates that no connective /i/ will be used between two consonants and that instead a /t/ will be replaced by /s/, it-pahtâw → ispahtâw *he so runs*, and an /n/ by /h/, milwašin~k → milwašihk *that it be good*.
- Abbreviations for person, gender and number combinations:
  - 0 inanimate singular proximate,
  - 0' inanimate singular obviative,
  - 0p inanimate plural proximate
  - 0' inanimate plural obviative
  - 1 animate local first person singular,

1p	animate local first person plural (excluding addressee)
21	animate local first person plural (including addressee)
2	animate local second person singular,
2p	animate local second person plural
3	animate singular proximate,
3'	animate nearer obviative, number indifferent
3p	animate plural proximate
indf	animate indefinite

## General Organisational Scheme of the Cree Verb

The following diagram (adapted from Ellis, 1971) presents the general organisational scheme of the Cree verb. Certain restrictions, for example, that VII verbs have no imperative forms, are not shown.

TYPE	Intransitive:		Animate Intransitive (VAI) Inanimate Intransitive (VII)		
	Transitive:		Transitive Animate (VTA) Transitive Inanimate (VTI)		
ORDER	MODE	TENSE	SUBMODE	INFLECTION (VAI, VTI only)	
Independent	Indicative	Neutral	Relational		
		Preterit	Nonrelational		
	Dubitative	Neutral	Relational		
		Preterit	Nonrelational		
Conjunct	Indicative	Neutral	Simple	Relational	
		Preterit	Changed	Nonrelational	
	Subjunctive	Neutral	Simple	Relational	
			Changed	Nonrelational	
	Dubitative	Neutral	Simple	Relational	
		Preterit	Changed	Nonrelational	
Imperative	Immediate (Present)			Relational	
	Delayed (Future)			Nonrelational	

Initial Change rules: (C=consonant)

	UNCHANGED FORM	CHANGED FORM
Ci-		Cē-
Ca-		Cē-
Co-		Cwē-
Cī-		Cā-
Cē-		Ciyē-
Cā-		Ciyā-, Cēyā-
Cō-		Cwā-

For information about specific stem rule combinations, please refer to the (1971) article.

TABLE 1. AI INDEPENDENT

	INDICATIVE		DUBITATIVE	
	NEUTRAL	PRETERIT	NEUTRAL	PRETERIT
1, 2	-n	-htay	-nâtokwê	-nâkopan
indf	-(nâ)niwanw	-(nâ)niwanôpan	-(nâ)niwanôtokwê	-(nâ)niwanokopan
1p	-nân	-htân		
21	-nânaw	-htânaw	-nânâtokwê	-nânâkopan
2p	-nâwâw	-htâwâw	-nâwâtokwê	-nâwâkopan
3	-w	-o <sup>L</sup> pan	-o <sup>L</sup> tokwê	-okopan
3p	-wak	-o <sup>L</sup> panik <sup>3</sup>	-o <sup>L</sup> tokwênak	-owâkopan
3'	-ulawah <sup>1</sup>	-ulîpanih <sup>4</sup>	-ulîtokwê	-ulikopan

TABLE 2. AI CONJUNCT

For the subjunctive add -ê and for the iterative add -i<sup>5</sup> to the forms in the leftmost column. For 3p and 3' add -ê or -i after the alternatives in square brackets.

	INDICATIVE		DUBITATIVE	
	NEUTRAL	PRETERIT	NEUTRAL	PRETERIT
1	-(y)âñ	-(y)âpâñ	-wâñê	-wâpâñê
2	-(y)an	-(y)apan	-wanê	-wapanê
indf	-(nâ)niwahk	-(nâ)niwahkupan	-(nâ)niwanokwê	-(nâ)niwanokopanê
1p	-(y)âhk	-(y)âhkupan	-wâhkûwê	-wâhkupanê
21	-(y)ahkw	-(y)ahkopan	-wahkwê	-wahkopanê
2p	-(y)êkw	-(y)êkopan	-wêkwê	-wêkopanê
3	-t, ~k	-span, ~kupan	-okwê	-okopanê
3p	-cik, ~kik [-twâw-, ~kwâw-]	-wâspan, ~kwâpan	-owâkwê	-owâkopanê
3'	-llicih [-lit-]	-lispan(ah)	-ulikwê	-ulikopanê

TABLE 3. AI IMPERATIVE

For the subjunctive add -ê and for the iterative add -i<sup>5</sup> to the forms in the leftmost column.

	IMMEDIATE	DELAYED
21	-tâ(k), -tâw	(use immediate form)
2	-y	-o <sup>L</sup> hkan
2p	-k	-o <sup>L</sup> hkêkvw

TABLE 4. THE II VERB

For the subjunctive add -ê and for the iterative add -i<sup>5</sup> to the conjunct neutral endings. The two endings in square brackets appear in this case for 0p and 0'p.

		INDICATIVE		DUBITATIVE
		NEUTRAL	PRETERIT	NEUTRAL
Independent				
0	-w	-(o <sup>L</sup> )pan	-o <sup>L</sup> tokwê	-okopan
0p	-wah	-(o <sup>L</sup> )panih <sup>6</sup>	-o <sup>L</sup> tokwênah	-owâkopan, -okopanih <sup>6</sup>
0'	-l̄iw	-l̄ipan	-l̄itokwê	-l̄likopan
0'p	-l̄iwhah	-l̄ipanih <sup>6</sup>	-l̄itokwênah	-l̄iwâkopan, -l̄likopanih <sup>6</sup>
Conjunct				
0	~k	~k̄ipan	-okwê	-okopanê
0p	~kih [~kwâw-]	~kwâpan	-owâkwê	-owâkopanê
0'	-l̄lik	-l̄likipan	-l̄likwê	-l̄likopanê
0'p	-l̄likih [-l̄likwâw-]	-l̄likwâpan	-l̄iwâkwê	-l̄likowâkopanê

TABLE 5. TA INDEPENDENT INDICATIVE (DIRECT)

	-3	-3p	-3'
<i>indf-</i> , 1-, 2-	-âw	-âwak	-umâwah
1p-	-ânân	-ânânak	-umânâna(h) -umânânih <sup>6</sup>
21-	-ânaw	-ânawak	-umânawa(h)
2p-	-âwâw	-âwâwak	-umâwâwa(h)
	-3'	-3''	
3-	-êw	-umêw	
3p-	-êwak	-umêwak	
3'-		-êliwah	

TABLE 6. TA INDEPENDENT INDICATIVE (INVERSE)

	3-	3p-	3'-	0-	<i>indf-</i>
-1, -2	-ikw	-ikwak	-ikoliwah	-ikon	-ikawin
-1p	-ikonân	-ikonânak	-ikonânah	-ikonân	-ikawinân
-21	-ikonaw	-ikonawak	-ikonawah	-ikonânav	-ikawinânav
-2p	-ikowâw	-ikowâwak	-ikowâwah	-ikonâwâw	-ikawinâwâw
	3', 0'-	3'', 0''-			
-3	-ikow				
-3p	-ikowak				
-3'		-ikoliwah			

TABLE 7. TA INDEPENDENT INDICATIVE (LOCAL)

1-2	-itin	2-1	-in
1p-2	-itinân	2-1p	-inân
1(p)-2p	-itinâwâw	2p-1(p)	-inâwâw

TABLE 8. TA INDEPENDENT INDICATIVE PTERERIT (DIRECT)

	-3	-3p	-3'
<i>indf-, 1-, 2-</i>	-âhtay	-âhtayak	-umâhtay(a)
<i>1p-</i>	-âhtân	-âhtânânak	-umâhtâna
<i>21-</i>	-âhtânaw	-âhtânawak	-umâhtânawa
<i>2p-</i>	-âhtâwâw	-âhtâwâwak	-umâhtâwâwa
	-3'	-3''	
<i>3-</i>	-êpan	-umêpan	
<i>3p-</i>	-êpanik	-umêpanik	
<i>3'-</i>		-êlîpanih <sup>6</sup>	

TABLE 9. TA INDEPENDENT INDICATIVE PTERERIT (INVERSE)

	3-, 0-	3p-	3'-	<i>indf-</i>
<i>-1, -2</i>	-ikohtay	-ikohtayak	-ikolihtay	-ikawihtay
<i>-1p</i>	-ikohtân	-ikohtânânak	-ikolihtân	-ikawihtân
<i>-21</i>	-ikohtânaw	-ikohtânawak	-ikolihtânaw	-ikawihtânaw
<i>-2p</i>	-ikohtâwâw	-ikohtâwâwak	-ikolihtâwâw	-ikawihtâwâw
	3'-, 0'-	3'', 0''-		
<i>-3</i>	-ikôpan			
<i>-3p</i>	-ikôpanik			
<i>-3'</i>		-ikolîpanih <sup>6</sup>		

TABLE 10. TA INDEPENDENT INDICATIVE PTERERIT (LOCAL)

<i>1&gt;2</i>	-itihtay	<i>2&gt;1</i>	-ihtay
<i>1p&gt;2</i>	-itihtân	<i>2&gt;1p</i>	-ihtân
<i>1(p)&gt;2p</i>	-itihtâwâw	<i>2p&gt;1(p)</i>	-ihtâwâw

TABLE 11. TA INDEPENDENT DUBITATIVE (DIRECT)

	-3	-3p	-3'
<i>indf-, 1-, 2-</i>	-âtokwê	-âtokwênak	-umâtokwê
<i>1p-</i>	-ânâñâtokwê	-ânâñâtokwênak	-umânâñâtokwê
<i>21-</i>	-ânâtokwê	-ânâtokwênak	-umânâtokwê
<i>2p-</i>	-âwâtokwê	-âwâtokwênak	-umâwâtokwê
	-3'	-3''	
<i>3-</i>	-êtokwê	-umêtokwê	
<i>3p-</i>	-êtokwênak	-umêtokwênak	
<i>3'-</i>		-umêlîtokwê	

TABLE 12. TA INDEPENDENT DUBITATIVE (INVERSE)

	<i>3-</i>	<i>3p-</i>	<i>3'-</i>	<i>0-</i>	<i>indf-</i>
-1, -2	-lkotokwê <sup>1</sup>	-lkotokwênak	-lkolítokwê	-lkonâtokwê	-lkawinâtokwê
-1p, -21	-lkonânâtokwê	-lkonânâtokwênak	-lkonânâtokwê	-lkonânâtokwê	-lkawinânâtokwê
-2p	-lkowâtokwê	-lkowâtokwênak	-lkowâtokwê	-lkonâwâtokwê	-lkawinâwâtokwê
		<i>3', 0'-</i>	<i>3'', 0''-</i>		
-3	-lkotokwê				
-3p	-lkotokwênak				
-3'		-lkolítokwê			

TABLE 13. TA INDEPENDENT DUBITATIVE (LOCAL)

1-2	- <u>itinâtokwê</u>	2-1	-inâtokwê
1p-2	- <u>itinânâtokwê</u>	2-1p	-inânâtokwê
1(p)-2p	- <u>itinâwâtokwê</u>	2p-1(p)	-inâwâtokwê

TABLE 14. TA INDEPENDENT DUBITATIVE PRETERIT (DIRECT)

	-3	-3p	-3'
<i>indf</i> , 1-, 2-	-âkopan	-âkopanak	-umâkopan
1p-	-ânânâkopan	-ânânâkopanak	-umânânâkopan
21-	-ânâkopan	-ânâkopanak	-umânâkopan
2p-	-âwâkopan	-âwâkopanak	-umâwâkopan
	-3'	-3''	
3-	-êkopan	-umêkopan	
3p-	-êwâkopan	-umêwâkopan	
3'-		-umêlikopan	

TABLE 15. TA INDEPENDENT DUBITATIVE PRETERIT (INVERSE)

	<i>3-</i>	<i>3p-</i>	<i>3'</i>	<i>0-</i>	<i>indf-</i>
-1, -2	- <i>lkokopan</i>	- <i>lkokopanak</i>	- <i>llukokopan</i>	- <i>lkonâkopan</i>	- <i>lkawinâkopan</i>
-1 <i>p</i>	- <i>lkonânkopan</i>	- <i>lkonânkopanak</i>	- <i>llkonânkopan</i>	- <i>lkonânkopan</i>	- <i>lkawinânkopan</i>
-2 <i>1</i>	- <i>lkonâkopan</i>	- <i>lkonâkopanak</i>	- <i>llukonâkopan</i>	- <i>lkonânkopan</i>	- <i>lkawinânkopan</i>
-2 <i>p</i>	- <i>lkonânkopan</i>	- <i>lkonânkopanak</i>	- <i>llkonânkopan</i>	- <i>lkonânkopan</i>	- <i>lkawinânkopan</i>
-2	- <i>lkonâkopan</i>	- <i>lkonâkopanak</i>	- <i>llukonâkopan</i>	- <i>lkonânkopan</i>	- <i>lkawinânkopan</i>
-3	- <i>lkokopan</i>				
-3 <i>p</i>	- <i>lkonânkopan</i>				
-3'			- <i>lkolikopan</i>		

TABLE 16. TA INDEPENDENT DUBITATIVE PRETERIT (LOCAL)

1-2	-ιtinâkopian	2-1	-inâkopan
1p-2	-ιtinânâkopian	2-1p	-inânâkopian
1(p)-2p	-ιtinâwâkopian	2p-1(p)	-inâwâkopian

TABLE 17. TA CONJUNCT INDICATIVE (DIRECT)

	-3	-3p	-3'
1-	-ak	-akik	-ιmakih
2-	-at	-acik	-ιmacih
indf-	-ht	-thcik	-ιmthcih
1p-	-akiht	-akihcik	-ιmakihcih
21-	-ahkw	-ahkok	-ιmahkoh
2p-	-êkw	-êkok	-ιmêkoh
	-3'	-3''	
3-	-ât	-ιmât	
3p-	-âcik	-ιmâcik	
3'-		-âlicih	

TABLE 18. TA CONJUNCT INDICATIVE (INVERSE)

	<i>3-</i>	<i>3p-</i>	<i>3'-</i>	<i>0-</i>	<i>indf-</i>
-1	-it	-icik	-umicih	-t <sup>k</sup> oyâñ	-t <sup>k</sup> awiyâñ
-2	-tsk	-tskik	-umtskih	-t <sup>k</sup> oyan, t <sup>k</sup> oyin	-t <sup>k</sup> awiyan, t <sup>k</sup> awiyin
-1p	-iyamiht	-iyamihcik	-(um)iyamihcih	-t <sup>k</sup> oyâhk	-t <sup>k</sup> awiyâhk
-21	-tahkw	-tahkok	-umtahkoh	-t <sup>k</sup> oyahkw	-t <sup>k</sup> awiyahkw
-2p	-tâkw	-tâkok	-umtâkoh	-t <sup>k</sup> oyêkw	-t <sup>k</sup> awiyêkw
	<i>3'-, 0'-</i>	<i>3'', 0''-</i>			
-3	-t <sup>k</sup> ot				
-3p	-t <sup>k</sup> ocik				
-3'		-t <sup>k</sup> olicih			

TABLE 19. TA CONJUNCT INDICATIVE (LOCAL)

1-2	-tâñ	2-1	-iyan
1p-2	-tâhk	2-1p	-iyâhk
1(p)-2p	-takok	2p-1(p)	-iyêkw

TABLE 20. TA CONJUNCT INDICATIVE PRETERIT (DIRECT)

	-3	-3p	-3'
1-	-aküpan	-akwâpan	-umaküpan
2-	-atüpan	-atwâpan	-umatüpan
<i>indf-</i>	-ıhtüpan	-ıhtwâpan	-umıhtüpan
<i>1p-</i>	-akihtüpan	-akihtwâpan	-umakihtüpan
<i>21-</i>	-ahkopan	-ahkwâpan	-umahkopan
<i>2p-</i>	-êkopian	-êkwâpan	-umêkopan
	-3'	-3''	
3-	-âspan	-umâspan	
<i>3p-</i>	-âwâspan	-umâwâspan	
<i>3'-</i>		-âlispan	

TABLE 21. TA CONJUNCT INDICATIVE PTERERIT (INVERSE)

	<i>3-</i>	<i>3p-</i>	<i>3'</i>	<i>0-</i>	<i>indf-</i>
-1	-ispān	-iわāspan	-umispan	-lkawiyāpān	-lkawiyāpān
-2	-tskūpan	-tskwāpan	-umiskspan	-lkoyapan	-lkawiyapan
-1p	-iyamihtupān	-iyamīhtwāpan	(im)iyamihtupān	-lkoyāhkupān	-lkawiyāhkupān
-21	-tahhkopān	-tahkwāpan	-umitahkopān	-lkoyahkopān	-lkawiyahkopān
-2p	-tākōpan	-tākwāpan	-umitākōpan	-lkoyēkopān	-lkawiyēkopān
			<i>3'', 0'-</i>		
-3	-kospan				
-3p	-kowāspan				
			<i>-lkolispan(ah)</i>		

TABLE 22. TA CONJUNCT INDICATIVE PTERERIT (LOCAL)

1-2	-tāpān	2-1	-iyapan
1p-2	-tāhkupān	2-1p	-iyāhkupān
1(p)-2p	-takokupān	2p-1(p)	-iyēkopān

TABLE 23. TA CONJUNCT DUBITATIVE (DIRECT)

	-3	-3p	-3'
1-	-âwakwê	-âwakwênak	-umâwakwê
2-	-âwatê	-âwatênak	-umâwatê
<i>indf-</i>	-âwıhtê	-âwıhtênak	-umâwıhtê
<i>1p-</i>	-âwakihtê	-âwakihtênak	-umâwakihtê
<i>21-</i>	-âwahkwê	-âwahkwênak	-umâwahkwê
<i>2p-</i>	-êwêkwê	-êwêkwênak	-umêwêkwê
	-3'	-3''	
3-	-âkwê	-umâkwê	
<i>3p-</i>	-âwâkwê	-umâwâkwê	
<i>3'-</i>		-âlikwê	

TABLE 24. TA CONJUNCT DUBITATIVE (INVERSE)

	3-	<i>3p-</i>	<i>3'</i>	<i>0-</i>	<i>indf-</i>
-1	-ikwê	-iwâkwê	-umikwê	-ukowanê	-ukawiwanê
-2	-iskwê, -uskôkwê	-tskowâkwê,	-umuskokwê	-ukowanê	-ukawiwanê
-1p	-iyamihêté <sup>1</sup> , -iyamihêté <sup>2</sup>	-iyamihténak, -iyamihyténak	-umiyamihtwê	-ukowâhkŵê	-ukawiwhâhkŵê
-21	-tahkwê, -itahkokwê	-tahkokwênak, -itahkowâkwê	-umitahkwê	-ukowahkwê	-ukawiwhahkwê
-2p	-tâkokkwê, -tâkowêkwê	-tâkokkwênak, -tâkowâkwê	-umitâkwê	-ukowêkwê	-ukawiwhêkwê
	3', 0'-	3'', 0''-			
-3	-lkokwê				
-3p	-lkowâkwê				
-3'		-tkolikwê			

TABLE 25. TA CONJUNCT DUBITATIVE (LOCAL)

1-2	-tiwânê, -itâwânê	2-1	-iwânê
1p-2	-tiwâhkŵê, -itâwâhkŵê	2-1p	-iwâhkŵê
1(p)-2p	-takokwâwê <sup>7</sup>	2p-1(p)	-iwêkwê

TABLE 26. TA CONJUNCT DUBITATIVE PRETERIT (DIRECT)

	-3	-3p	-3'
1-	-âwakípanê	-âwakípanênak	-imâwakípanê
2-	-âwatípanê	-âwatípanênak	-imâwatípanê
indf-	-âwíhtípanê	-âwíhtípanênak	-imâwíhtípanê
1p-	-âwakihtípanê	-âwakihtípanênak	-imâwakihtípanê
21-	-âwahkopanê	-âwahkopanênak	-imâwahkopanê
2p-	-êwêkopianê	-êwêkopianênak	-imêwêkopianê
	-3'	-3''	
3-	-âkopanê	-imâkopanê	
3p-	-âwâkopanê	-imâwâkopanê	
3'-		-âlikopanê	

TABLE 27. TA CONJUNCT DUBITATIVE PRETERIT (INVERSE)

	3-	3p-	3'	0-	<i>indf-</i>
-1	-ikopanê	-iwâkopenê	-imikopanê	-lkowâpânê	-lkawiwâpânê
-2	-iskokopanê	-iskowâkopenê	-imuskokopanê	-lkowapanê	-lkawiwapanê
-1p	-iyamihtupanê	-iyamihtupanênak	-imiyamihtupanê	-lkowâhkopenê	-lkawiwâhkopenê
-21	-itowahkopanê,	-itowahkopanênak	-umtowahkopanê	-lkowahkopanê	-lkawiwahkopanê
	-itahkokopanê <sup>1</sup>	-itahkokopanênak	-umtahkokopanê	-lkowahkkopanê	-lkawiwahkkopanê
-2p	-itâkkopanê	-itâkkopanênak	-umtâkkopanê	-lkowêkopenê	-lkawiwêkopenê
			3'', 0'.	3'', 0''.	
-3	-ikokopanê				
-3p	-lkowâkopenê				
-3'			-kolikopanê		

TABLE 28. TA CONJUNCT DUBITATIVE PRETERIT (LOCAL)

1-2	-itâwâpânê	2-1	-iwapanê
1p-2	-itâwâhkopanê, -itiwâhkopanê	2-1p	-iwâhkopanê <sup>8</sup>
1(p)-	-itakokopanê,	2p-	-iwêkopanê
2p	itiwâkopanê	1(p)	

TABLE 29. TA CONJUNCT SUBJUNCTIVE AND ITERATIVE (DIRECT)

The completed endings add -ê for the subjunctive or -i<sup>5</sup> for the iterative to the suffixes below.

	-3	-3p	-3'
1-	-ak-	-akwâw-	-emak-
2-	-at-	-atwâw-	-emat-
indf-	-iht-	-ihtwâw-	-imihht-
1p-	-akiht-	-akihtwâw-	-umakiht-
21-	-ahkw-	-ahkwâw-	-umahkw-
2p-	-êkw-	-êkwâw-	-umêkw-
	-3'	-3''	
3-	-ât-	-umât-	
3p-	-âtwâw-	-umâtwâw-	
3'-		-âlit-	

TABLE 30. TA CONJUNCT SUBJUNCTIVE AND ITERATIVE (INVERSE)

The completed endings add -ê or -i<sup>5</sup> to the below.

	<i>3-</i>	<i>3p-</i>	<i>3'-</i>	<i>θ-</i>	<i>indf-</i>
-1	-it-	-itwâw-	-mit-	-lkoyân-	-lkawiyâñ-
-2	-tsk-	-tskwâw-	-imsk-	-lkoyan-, -lkoyin-	-lkawiyân-, -lkawiyin-
-1p	-iyamih-	-iyamihtwâw-	-umiyahti-	-lkoyâhk-	-lkawiyâhk-
-21	-tahkw-	-tahkwâw-	-umtahkw-	-lkoyahkw-	-lkawiyahkw-
-2p	-tâkw-	-tâkwâw-	-umtâkw-	-lkoyêkw-	-lkawiyêkw-
			<i>3'', 0'</i>	<i>3'', 0''-</i>	
-3	-lkot-				
		-lkotwâw-			
-3'			-lkolit-		

TABLE 31. TA CONJUNCT SUBJUNCTIVE AND ITERATIVE (LOCAL)

1-2	-itân-	2-1	-iyan-
1p-2	-itâhkŵ-	2-1p	-iyâhk-
1(p)-2p	-itakokŵ- -tahkwâw-(?)	2p-1(p)	-iyêkŵ-

TABLE 32. TA IMPERATIVE

	-1	-1p	-3	-3p	-3'
Immediate					
21-			-âtâ(w)	-âtânak	-umâtânah
2-	-n	-nân	-y	-k	-(l)m
2p-	-k	-nân	-ihkw	-ihkok	-umâhk
Delayed					
21-			-âhkahk <i>(or use immediate)</i> <sup>9</sup>	-âhkanîhk <i>(or use immediate)</i> <sup>9</sup>	-umâhkahk -umâtâ
2-	ihkan	<i>(use immediate form)</i>	-âhkan	-âhkanik	-umâhkan
2p-	ihkêk	<i>(use immediate form)</i>	-âhkêkw	-âhkêkwânak	-umâhkêkw

TABLE 33. TI INDEPENDENT

	INDICATIVE		DUBITATIVE	
	NEUTRAL	PRETERIT	NEUTRAL	PRETERIT
1, 2	-êñ	-êhtay	-êñâtokwê	-êñâkopan
1p	-êñân	-êhtân	-êñânâtokwê	-êñânâkopan
21	-êñânaw	-êhtânaw		
2p	-êñâwâw	-êhtâwâw	-êñâwâtokwê	-êñâwâkopan
3	-amw̄	-amôpan	-amôtokwê	-amokopan
3p	-amwak	-amôpanik <sup>3</sup>	-amôtokwênak	-amwâkopan
3'	-amûliwah	-amûlîpanah	-amûlîtokwê	-amûlikopan

TABLE 34. TI CONJUNCT

The subjunctive and iterative add respectively -ê and -i<sup>5</sup> to the forms in the leftmost column, except that for 3' these are added to -amulit-.

	INDICATIVE		DUBITATIVE	
	NEUTRAL	PRETERIT	NEUTRAL	PRETERIT
1	-amân	-amâpân	-amowânê	-amowâpânê
2	-aman	-amapan	-amowanê	-amowapanê
1p	-amâhk	-amâhkupan	-amowâhkûwê	-amowâhkopianê
21	-amahk̄w̄	-amahkopan	-amowahkwê	-amowahkopanê
2p	-amêk̄w̄	-amêkopan	-amowêkwê	-amowêkopanê
3	-ahk	-ahkupan	-amokwê	-amokopanê
3p	-ahkik	-ahkwâpan	-amwâkwê	-amwâkopanê
3'	-amûlicih [-amulit-]	-amûlispanah	-amûlikwê	-amûlikopanê

TABLE 35. TI IMPERATIVE

	IMMEDIATE	DELAYED
21	-êtâ(k)	(use immediate form)
2	-ah	-amôhkhan
2p	-amok	-amôhkêk

Relational Inflection: An AI stem adds '...w...' while a TI stem adds -'...amw...', then the endings on the relational inflection tables below.<sup>10</sup>

TABLE 36. RELATIONAL INFLECTION (INDEPENDENT)

	INDICATIVE		DUBITATIVE	
	NEUTRAL	PRETERIT	NEUTRAL	PRETERIT
1,2	-ân	-âhtay		
<i>indf</i>	-ân	-ânâpan	-ânâtokwê	-ânâkopan
1p	-ânâñ	-âhtâñ		
21	-ânâñaw	-âhtâñ(ân)aw	-ânâñâtokwê	-ânâñâkopan
2p	-ânâwâw	-âhtâwâw	-ânâwâtokwê	-ânâwâkopan
3	-êw	-êpan	-êtokwê	-êkopan
3p	-êwak	-êpanîk	-êtokwênak	-êwâkopan

TABLE 37. RELATIONAL INFLECTION (CONJUNCT)

The subjunctive and iterative add respectively -ê and -i<sup>5</sup> to the forms in the leftmost column. In the 3p they are added to -âtwâw- instead of to -âcik.

	INDICATIVE		DUBITATIVE	
	NEUTRAL	PRETERIT	NEUTRAL	PRETERIT
1	-ak	-akiapan	-âwakê	-âwakîpanê
2	-at	-atîpan	-âwatê	-âwatîpanê
<i>indf-</i>	-iht	-ihtiapan	-âwihtê	-âwihtîpanê
1p	-akiht	-akihiptapan	-âwakihtê	-âwakihiptapanê
21	-ahkw	-ahkopan	-âwahkwê	-âwahkopanê
2p	-êkw	-êkopan	-âwêkwê	-âwêkopanê
3	-ât	-âspan	-âkwê	-âkopanê
3p	-âcik [-âtwâw-]	-âwâspan	-âwâkwê	-âwâkopanê
3'	(missing)	(missing)	-âlikwê	-âlikopanê(?)

TABLE 38. RELATIONAL INFLECTION (IMPERATIVE)

	IMMEDIATE	DELAYED
21	-âtâ(k)	(use immediate form)
2	-y	-âhkan
2p	-âhk	âhkêk̕w

<sup>1</sup> Change of notation:

- The 1971 version used the old American Phonetic Notation. We use instead the International phonetic alphabet (IPA) notation, and also give the spelling in brackets.
- θ was used in the 1971 publication for /t/'s that mutate to /ʃ/ (š). Thus, the stem of tēpwâtēw *he calls out to him* is tepwaθ-, but: ki-tepwaθ-in → kitēpwâšin *thou callest out to me*.
- e was used the in 1971 publication for where i is now used. The paradigms now reflect the text of the *âtalôhkâna* and *Spoken Cree*.

<sup>2</sup> Historical note:

Cree /t/ has two sources in PA: \*/t/ and \*/θ/. Similarly, Cree /i/ represents a coalescence of \*/i/ and \*/e/.

Where one of the first two is **followed** by one of the second two, the phonemic results differ:

\* /ti/ yields / tʃi/ (ci), \* /θi/ yields /ʃi/ (ši), \* /te, θe/ yield /ti/. \* /t/ also appears as /tʃ/ (c), and \* /θ/ as /ʃ/ (š), **before** Cree or PA /i/ and /j/ (y). For example: wâpamât *that he see him* is -â-t, but wâpamât-ik → wâpamâcik *that they see him*. Elsewhere both appear as /t/. Replacement by affricate or spirant is MUTATION.

<sup>3</sup> \*3p -olpanik (Table 1) and -amôpanik (Table 33) are characteristic of the Fort Albany Kashechewan area. They are replaced at Moose by -olpanak and -amôpanak respectively.

<sup>4</sup> Similarly, -lîpanih is often replaced at Moose by -lîpana. The form can also be -lîpanî or just -lîpani since î is often shortened by various speakers as just /i/.

<sup>5</sup> Historically the iterative adds -h preceded by a connective -i . The -h disappears and /i/ becomes the mark of the iterative in the spoken language.

<sup>6</sup> With some speakers a carry over of voicing from /i/ to /h/ results in phonetic manifestation of /ih/ as [î].

<sup>7</sup> The form itakowêkwê has also surfaced. Whether this is acceptable usage is uncertain.

<sup>8</sup> This form was noted -iwâhkipanê (with i instead of o) in the original paradigms. The o was however confirmed with two later informants. It remains puzzling that one of them also gave -wâhkipanê for the AI Conj. Dub. Pret. 1p.

<sup>9</sup> Both L and N speakers tend to use the Immediate Imperative forms instead of the Delayed for 21-3, 21-3p and even sometimes 21-3'.

<sup>10</sup> AI -ê stems retain the /ê/ instead of replacing it by â. After stem-final /n/ connective /i/ is inserted, contrary to the general custom between a consonant and /w/.

