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III. Morpho-syntactic changes in African Latin as evidenced in inscriptions

1. Vocative for the nominative (cf. Adamik T 1987, Petersmann 1998 and Adams 2007)

LLDB-51653: voc. pro nom., SECVDE AMATO|R = Secundus amator, ILTun 1692, 2 = AE 1911, 115, 2, Africa proconsularis, Thabraca, 313-700 AD.

LLDB-51962: voc. pro nom., VERNA|CLE IN [PACE] = Vernaculus in pace, IFCCarth 3, 311, 1-2 = CIL 8, 14223, 1-2, Africa proconsularis, Carthago, 351-400 AD.

LLDB-52229: voc. pro nom., EVTICIANE | IN PACE | VIXIT = Eutychianus in pace vixit, IFCCarth 3, 582, 1 = CIL 8, 25320, 1, Africa proconsularis, Carthago, 470-530 AD.

LLDB-65289: voc. pro nom., LELI () SACE|RDOS () VOTVM SOLVIT = Laelius () sacerdos votum solvit, ILAlg 1, 2941, 1 = CIL 8, 2182, 1, Africa proconsularis, Aquae Caesaris, undated.

LLDB-65290: voc. pro nom., SILVANE SACE|RDOS () VOTVM SOLVIT = Silvanus sacerdos () votum solvit, ILAlg 1, 2941, 1 = CIL 8, 2182, 1, Africa proconsularis, Aquae Caesaris, undated.

LLDB-29142: voc. pro nom., DOCTE PVER () COMITATVR = doctus puer () comitatur, ICI 1, 13, 7 = CIL 11, 2839, 7, Etruria / Regio VII, Volsinii , 351-430 AD.

LLDB-37807: voc. pro nom., AVRELIVS () DEPOSTE = Aurelius () depositus, ICUR 2, 4305, 1, Roma, Roma, 301-400 AD.

2. The transformation of the case system in African Latin

Gaeng (1992) inferred a radical reduction of the five-case system of Classical Latin into a system with only one inflection in later African Latin. In his study, however, Gaeng did not do a real investigation of frequency. Instead, he practically quoted examples for each phenomenon, and, since he was able to find examples for nearly all phenomena of transformation in his corpus, he concluded that all changes took place equally in the language of the area and a system with only one i.e. no inflection became established in later African Latin.

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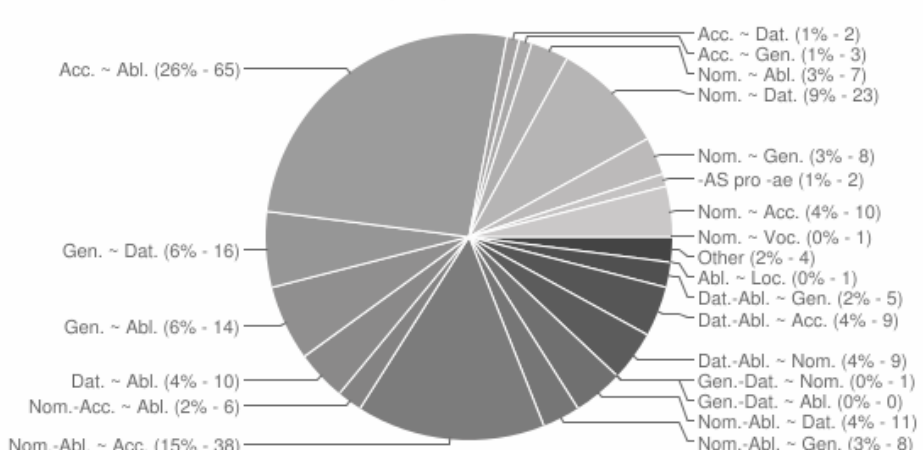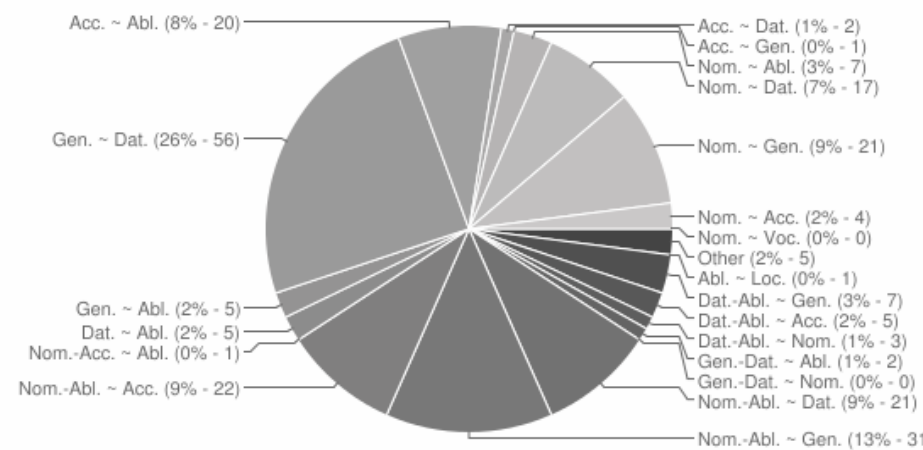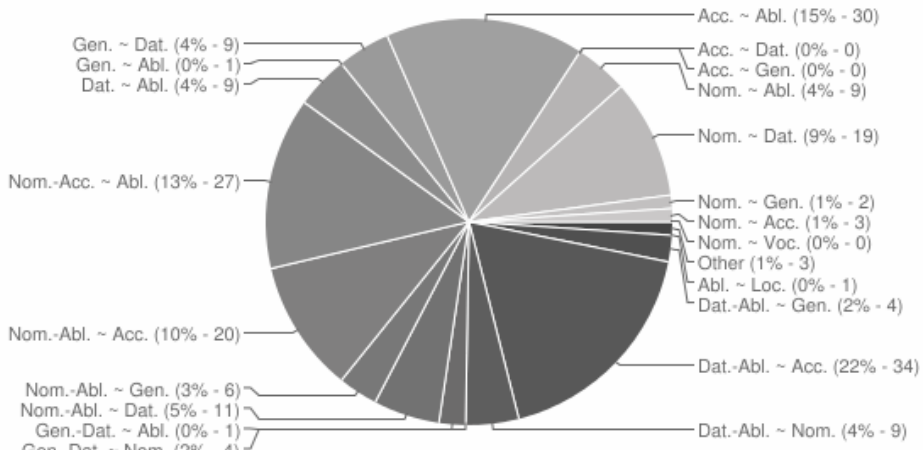ILCV = Diehl, E. (1925–1931) *Inscriptiones Latinae Christianae ueteres* 1-3. Berlin.

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Case system in early Africa Proconsularis and Numidia c. 1-3 AD (100% = 250)

Table 1

Pie chart labels:
- Acc. ~ Abl. (24% - 52)
- Acc. ~ Dat. (1% - 3)
- Acc. ~ Gen. (0% - 0)
- Nom. ~ Abl. (14% - 36)
- Nom. ~ Dat. (4% - 11)
- Nom. ~ Gen. (2% - 6)
- Nom. ~ Acc. (1% - 3)
- Nom. ~ Voc. (0% - 0)
- Other (2% - 4)
- Dat.-Abl. ~ Gen. (1% - 3)
- Dat.-Abl. ~ Acc. (4% - 9)
- Dat.-Abl. ~ Nom. (3% - 8)
- Gen.-Dat. ~ Abl. (0% - 1)
- Gen.-Dat. ~ Nom. (1% - 2)
- Nom.-Abl. ~ Dat. (1% - 3)
- Nom.-Abl. ~ Gen. (2% - 5)
- Nom.-Abl. ~ Acc. (17% - 43)
- Nom.-Acc. ~ Abl. (10% - 26)
- Dat. ~ Abl. (3% - 8)
- Gen. ~ Abl. (0% - 1)
- Gen. ~ Dat. (10% - 26)

Acc. ~ Abl. 24% + Nom.-**Acc. ~ Abl.** 10% + Dat.-**Abl. ~ Acc.** 4% = **38%**

Gen. ~ Dat. 10% + **Dat.-Abl. ~ Gen.** 1% = **11%**

Nom. ~ Acc. = **1%**

Nom. ~ Acc. 1% - 3	1	nom. pro acc.	LLDB-54964: PER FETVS | DECESSIT = per fetum decessit
	2	acc. pro nom.	LLDB-60722: QVAM PER FETVS | DECESSIT = quae per fetum decessit
Nom. ~ Gen. 2% - 6	5	nom. pro gen.	LLDB-50926: MEMORIAE L FABI () OMNIBVS HONORIBVS FVNCTVS = memoriae Lucii Fabi () omnibus honoribus functi
	1	gen. pro nom.	LLDB-46085: (/permixtio syntagmatum)M CORNELIVS FELICIS = Marcus Cornelius Felix
Nom. ~ Dat. 4% - 11	*9*	*nom. pro dat.*	*LLDB-52396: (/-s > ø), DI MANIBVS = Dis Manibus*
	2	*dat. pro nom.*	*LLDB-57763: (/ dat. pro gen.), FONTEIA VERNALI V = Fonteia Vernalis vixit*
Nom. ~ Abl. 14% - 36	**34**	**nom. pro abl.**	**LLDB-42945: (/-s > ø) VI|XIT A|NI LII = vixit annis LII**
	2	abl. pro nom.	LLDB-55990: (/litterae superfluae), LIVIA ZA|BA VXSO|RE = Livia Zaba uxor
Acc. ~ Dat. 1% - 3	3	acc. pro dat.	LLDB-38255: STATVAS AENEAS DVAS VICTORIAE AVGVSTAE ET FOR|TVNAM REDVCIS = statuas aeneas duas Victoriae Augustae et Fortunae Reducis
Acc. ~ Abl. 24% - 52	**18**	**acc. pro abl.**	**LLDB-53906: (/ -ø > -m) PRO SALVTEM | DOMINI = pro salute domini**
	28	**abl. pro acc.**	**LLDB-57803: (/-m > ø) OB | HONORE AEDILITATIS = ob honorem aedilitatis**
	4	ablativus absolutus accusativis permixtus	LLDB-45926: CVRATORIB|VS SATVRVM = curatoribus Saturo
	2	accusativus absolutus pro ablativo absoluto	LLDB-44026: CVRAN|TES FILIOS | EIVS = curantibus filiis eius
Gen. ~ Dat. 10% - 26	**9**	**gen. pro dat.**	**LLDB-51063: M AVRELIO SEVERO ALEXANDRO PIO FELI|CIS = Marco Aurelio Severo Alexandro Pio Felici**
	17	**dat. pro gen.**	**LLDB-40069: (/ -s > ø) VXOR Q SILICI MARTIA|LI = uxor Quinti Silici Martialis,**
Gen. ~ Abl. 0% - 1	1	gen. pro abl.	LLDB-54706: (/ permixtio syntagmatum) VIXIT ANNIS | XXVII ET MEN|SVM VI = vixit annis XXVII et mensibus VI
Dat. ~ Abl. 3% - 8	6	dat. –ī > E	LLDB-71716: (/ i: > E), D M ET PERPETVE SE|CVRITATE = D(is) M(anibus) et perpetuae securitati
	2	abl. –e > I	LLDB-51388: (/ e > I) FORTISSIMO | IMP ET PACA|TORI VRBIS () FELICE = fortissimo imperatore et pacatore urbis () Felice
Nom.-Acc. ~ Abl. 10% - 26	**26**	**nom./acc. pro abl.**	**LLDB-43583: (/ dat./abl. pro acc.) VIX|IT ANNIS | LX MENS|ES TRES = vixit annis LX mensibus tribus / annos LX menses tres**
Nom.-Abl. ~ Acc. 17% - 43	**43**	**nom./abl. pro acc.**	**LLDB-43706: (/ -m > ø) CVRA EGERVNT = curam egerunt**
Nom.-Abl. ~ Gen. 2% - 5	5	nom./abl. pro gen.	LLDB-68293: (/ permixtio syntagmatum) [E]X AVCTORI[TATE] | () NERVA TRAIANI = ex auctoritate () Nervae Traiani
Nom.-Abl. ~ Dat. 1% - 3	3	nom./abl. pro dat.	LLDB-51444: (/ litterae omissae), MARITA MERENTI = maritae merenti
Gen.-Dat. ~ Nom. 1% - 2	2	gen./dat. pro nom.	LLDB-54034: (/ nom. pro gen.) D M S CECILIVS | COTTAE | P V = Dis Manibus sacrum Caecilius Cotta / Caecili Cottae pius vixit
Gen.-Dat. ~ Abl. 0% - 1	1	gen./dat. pro abl.	LLDB-65327: TRIBVNICI|AE POTESTA|TAE II = tribunicia potestate II
Dat.-Abl. ~ Nom. 3% - 8	8	dat./abl. pro nom.	LLDB-51377: (/ -us > O) M IVL|IO PHILIPPVS INVIC|TVS = Marcus Iulius Philippus Invictus
Dat.-Abl. ~ Acc. 4% - 9	*9*	*dat./abl. pro acc.*	*LLDB-50612: INTER EIS = inter eos, LLDB-46806: (/ -um > O) LEGENS TITVM MEO = legens titulum meum*
Dat.-Abl. ~ Gen. 1% - 3	3	dat./abl. pro gen.	LLDB-37721: (/ permixtio syntagmatum) [PRO] SALVTE () AVRELI COMMODO = pro salute () Aureli Commodi
Other 2% - 4	4	commutatio vel permixtio casuum aliorum	LLDB-45802:, AD | MISERABILE MO|RTIS V = ad miserabilem mortem vixit

LLDB = Computerized Historical Linguistic Database of the Latin Inscriptions of the Imperial Age (http://lldb.elte.hu/)

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Case system in later Africa Proconsularis and Numidia c. 4-7 AD (100% = 128)	**Table 2**
Gen. ~ Dat. (4% - 5) / Gen. ~ Abl. (1% - 1) / Dat. ~ Abl. (5% - 6) / Acc. ~ Abl. (13% - 16) / Acc. ~ Dat. (0% - 0) / Acc. ~ Gen. (0% - 0) / Nom. ~ Abl. (5% - 6) / Nom. ~ Dat. (1% - 1) / Nom. ~ Gen. (3% - 4) / -AS pro -ae (2% - 3) / Nom. ~ Acc. (4% - 5) / Nom. ~ Voc.(2% - 3) / Other (1% - 1) / Dat.-Abl. ~ Gen. (1% - 1) / Dat.-Abl. ~ Acc. (5% - 6) / Dat.-Abl. ~ Nom. (1% - 1) / Gen.-Dat. ~ Nom. (1% - 1) / Nom.-Abl. ~ Gen. (4% - 5) / Nom.-Acc. ~ Abl. (38% - 51) / Nom.-Abl. ~ Acc. (9% - 12)	Nom.-**Acc. ~ Abl.** 38% + **Acc. ~ Abl.** 13% + Dat.-**Abl. ~ Acc.** 5% = **56%** **Gen. ~ Dat.** 4% + **Dat.**-Abl. ~ **Gen.** 1% = **5%** **Nom. ~ Acc.** = **4%** (+ -AS pro -ae 2% = 6%)

Nom. ~ Voc. 2% - 3	3	voc. pro nom.	LLDB-52229: EVTICIANE | IN PACE | VIXIT = Eutychianus in pace vixit
Nom. ~ Acc. 4% - 5	*3*	*nom. pro acc.*	*LLDB-68767: HEC MEMORIAM FECIT = hanc memoriam fecit*
	2	acc. pro nom.	LLDB-68769: VISSITE|NT FILOS ET NEPOTES MEOS | = visitent filii et nepotes mei
-AS pro –ae 2% - 3	3	nom. pl. -AS pro -ae	*LLDB-42896: (/ acc. pro nom.) VNA ET BIS SENAS TVRRES CRESCEBANT IN ORDINE TOTAS = una et bis senae turres crescebant in ordine totae*
Nom. ~ Gen. 3% - 4	3	nom. pro gen.	LLDB-53293: REGIS | ILDIRIX = regis Childerici
	1	gen. pro nom.	LLDB-53140: (/ x > S / SS / CX) GILIVS SE|NIS FIDELIS = Gilius senex fidelis
Nom. ~ Dat. 1% - 1	1	dat. pro nom.	LLDB-48749: (/ -s > ø) HOSTRILD|I FIDELIS (|) VIXIT = Hostrildis fidelis () vixit
Nom. ~ Abl. 5% - 6	*4*	*nom. pro abl.*	*LLDB-43623: (/ -s > ø /) VIX ANNI XLVI = vixit annis XLVI*
	2	*abl. pro nom.*	*LLDB-51347: (/-s > ø) CASTRENSSE DVLCS = Castrensis dulcis*
Acc. ~ Abl. 13% - 16	**7**	**acc. pro abl.**	**LLDB-59514: NATVS | CASAS MAIORES = natus Casis Maioribus**
	9	**abl. pro acc.**	**LLDB-43608: (/ -m > ø), HABVIT PATRE LAOMEDONTE| = habuit patrem Laomedontem**
Gen. ~ Dat. 4% - 5	*3*	*dat. pro gen.*	*LLDB-43553: (/ -s > ø), IN NOMINE PATRI ET = In nomine patris et*
	2	gen. pro dat.	LLDB-64824: NICOMACHO FLAVIANO AGENTIS | = Nicomacho Flaviano agenti
Gen. ~ Abl. 1% - 1	1	gen. pro abl.	LLDB-53530: (/ permixtio syntagmatum) VIXIT AN|NORVM LXXX = vixit annis / annos
Dat. ~ Abl. 5% - 6	*1*	*dat. -ī > E*	*LLDB-67878: (/ i: > E) [I]NVICTO PIO | FELICE () PON|TIFICI = invicto pio felici () pontifici*
	5	*abl. -e > I*	*LLDB-40080: (/ e > I) IN PACI = in pace*
Nom.-Acc. ~ Abl. 38% - 51	**51**	**nom./acc. pro abl.**	**LLDB-71855: (/ dat./abl. pro acc.) VIXIT AN|NIS () MEN|SES = vixit annis () mensibus / annos () menses**
Nom.-Abl. ~ Acc. 9% - 12	*12*	*nom./abl. pro acc.*	*LLDB-51295: (/ -m > ø) MERVIT (|) CORONA| = meruit () coronam*
Nom.-Abl. ~ Gen. 4% - 5	*5*	*nom./abl. pro gen.*	*LLDB-51131: SVMMA BONITATIS ET INGENI | PVER = summae bonitatis et ingenii puer*
Gen.-Dat. ~ Nom. 1% - 1	1	gen./dat. pro nom.	LLDB-49368: (/ permixtio syntagmatum) IVLIA FLO|RIANAE FIDE|LIS VIXIT
Dat.-Abl. ~ Nom. 1% - 1	1	dat./abl. pro nom.	LLDB-43775: (/ -s > ø) NON|[I]A FIDELI | VIXIT = Nonia fidelis vixit
Dat.-Abl. ~ Acc. 5% - 6	*6*	*dat./abl. pro acc.*	*LLDB-45538: (nom./acc. pro abl.) VIX|IT ANNIS | LXX MENSES | V = vixit annis LXX mensibus V / vixit annos LXX menses V (5); LLDB-71921: (/ -um > O) PER SOLOMONEM (|) MAGISTRO = per Solomonem () magistrum (1)*
Dat.-Abl. ~ Gen. 1% - 1	1	dat./abl. pro gen.	LLDB-43555: COR|PVS FAMVLO CHRI = corpus famuli Christi
Other 1% - 1	1	commutatio vel permixtio casuum aliorum	LLDB-52749: [I]NVICTIS | [A]VGG[G] || BONO R P NATVM = Invictis Augustis bono rei publice natis

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Table 3.1: Comparison of the EARLY regions	
Case system in early Hispania c. 1-3 AD (100% = 253) Acc. ~ Dat. (1% - 2) Acc. ~ Gen. (1% - 3) Nom. ~ Abl. (3% - 7) Nom. ~ Dat. (9% - 23) Acc. ~ Abl. (26% - 65) Nom. ~ Gen. (3% - 8) -AS pro -ae (1% - 2) Nom. ~ Acc. (4% - 10) Nom. ~ Voc. (0% - 1) Other (2% - 4) Abl. ~ Loc. (0% - 1) Dat.-Abl. ~ Gen. (2% - 5) Dat.-Abl. ~ Acc. (4% - 9) Gen. ~ Dat. (6% - 16) Gen. ~ Abl. (6% - 14) Dat. ~ Abl. (4% - 10) Nom.-Acc. ~ Abl. (2% - 6) Nom.-Abl. ~ Acc. (15% - 38) Dat.-Abl. ~ Nom. (4% - 9) Gen.-Dat. ~ Nom. (0% - 1) Gen.-Dat. ~ Abl. (0% - 0) Nom.-Abl. ~ Dat. (4% - 11) Nom.-Abl. ~ Gen. (3% - 8)	**Chart 1a** **Acc. ~ Abl.** 26% + Nom.-**Acc. ~ Abl.** 2% + Dat.-**Abl. ~ Acc.** 4% = **32%** **Gen. ~ Dat.** 6% + **Dat.**-Abl. **~ Gen.** 2% = **8%** **Nom. ~ Acc.** = **4%**
Case system in early Gallia and Germania c. 1-3 AD (100% = 236) Acc. ~ Abl. (8% - 20) Acc. ~ Dat. (1% - 2) Acc. ~ Gen. (0% - 1) Nom. ~ Abl. (3% - 7) Nom. ~ Dat. (7% - 17) Gen. ~ Dat. (26% - 56) Nom. ~ Gen. (9% - 21) Nom. ~ Acc. (2% - 4) Nom. ~ Voc. (0% - 0) Other (2% - 5) Abl. ~ Loc. (0% - 1) Dat.-Abl. ~ Gen. (3% - 7) Dat.-Abl. ~ Acc. (2% - 5) Gen. ~ Abl. (2% - 5) Dat. ~ Abl. (2% - 5) Nom.-Acc. ~ Abl. (0% - 1) Nom.-Abl. ~ Acc. (9% - 22) Dat.-Abl. ~ Nom. (1% - 3) Gen.-Dat. ~ Abl. (1% - 2) Gen.-Dat. ~ Nom. (0% - 0) Nom.-Abl. ~ Dat. (9% - 21) Nom.-Abl. ~ Gen. (13% - 31)	**Chart 2a** **Acc. ~ Abl.** 8% + Nom.-**Acc. ~ Abl.** 0% + Dat.-**Abl. ~ Acc.** 2% = **10%** **Gen. ~ Dat.** 26% + **Dat.**-Abl. **~ Gen.** 3% = **29%** **Nom. ~ Acc.** = **2%**
Case system in early Italia c. 1-3 AD (100% = 202) Gen. ~ Dat. (4% - 9) Gen. ~ Abl. (0% - 1) Dat. ~ Abl. (4% - 9) Acc. ~ Abl. (15% - 30) Acc. ~ Dat. (0% - 0) Acc. ~ Gen. (0% - 0) Nom. ~ Abl. (4% - 9) Nom. ~ Dat. (9% - 19) Nom.-Acc. ~ Abl. (13% - 27) Nom. ~ Gen. (1% - 2) Nom. ~ Acc. (1% - 3) Nom. ~ Voc. (0% - 0) Other (1% - 3) Abl. ~ Loc. (0% - 1) Dat.-Abl. ~ Gen. (2% - 4) Nom.-Abl. ~ Acc. (10% - 20) Nom.-Abl. ~ Gen. (3% - 6) Nom.-Abl. ~ Dat. (5% - 11) Gen.-Dat. ~ Abl. (0% - 1) Gen.-Dat. ~ Nom. (2% - 4) Dat.-Abl. ~ Acc. (22% - 34) Dat.-Abl. ~ Nom. (4% - 9)	**Chart 3a** **Acc. ~ Abl.** 15% + Nom.-**Acc. ~ Abl.** 13% + Dat.-**Abl. ~ Acc.** 22% = **50%** **Gen. ~ Dat.** 4% + **Dat.**-Abl. **~ Gen.** 2% = **6%** **Nom. ~ Acc.** = **1%**

Table 3.2: Comparison of the EARLY regions	
Case system in early Roma c. 1-3 AD (100% = 457)	**Chart 4a**
Acc. ~ Abl. (17% - 80) Gen. ~ Dat. (6% - 29) Gen. ~ Abl. (2% - 7) Dat. ~ Abl. (7% - 30) Nom.-Acc. ~ Abl. (11% - 51) Nom.-Abl. ~ Acc. (9% - 43) Nom.-Abl. ~ Gen. (2% - 7) Acc. ~ Dat. (1% - 4) Acc. ~ Gen. (1% - 3) Nom. ~ Abl. (10% - 46) Nom. ~ Dat. (8% - 37) Nom. ~ Gen. (1% - 6) Nom. ~ Acc. (0% - 1) Nom. ~ Voc. (0% - 0) Other (1% - 3) Abl. ~ Loc. (2% - 7) Dat.-Abl. ~ Gen. (1% - 4) Dat.-Abl. ~ Acc. (13% - 59) Dat.-Abl. ~ Nom. (0% - 2) Gen.-Dat. ~ Abl. (0% - 1) Gen.-Dat. ~ Nom. (2% - 9) Nom.-Abl. ~ Dat. (6% - 28)	**Acc. ~ Abl.** 17% + Nom.-**Acc. ~ Abl.** 11% + Dat.-**Abl. ~ Acc.** 13% = **41%** **Gen. ~ Dat.** 6% + **Dat.**-Abl. **~ Gen. 1%** = **4%** **Nom. ~ Acc.** = **0%**
Case system in early Illyricum c. 1-3 AD (100% = 637)	**Chart 5a**
Acc. ~ Abl. (18% - 126) Gen. ~ Dat. (11% - 69) Gen. ~ Abl. (4% - 23) Dat. ~ Abl. (7% - 42) Nom.-Acc. ~ Abl. (2% - 14) Nom.-Abl. ~ Acc. (13% - 84) Acc. ~ Dat. (2% - 10) Acc. ~ Gen. (0% - 0) Nom. ~ Abl. (4% - 24) Nom. ~ Dat. (4% - 28) Nom. ~ Gen. (1% - 5) -AS pro -ae (4% - 23) Nom. ~ Acc. (2% - 10) Nom. ~ Voc. (0% - 0) Other (2% - 11) Abl. ~ Loc. (3% - 18) Dat.-Abl. ~ Gen. (2% - 15) Dat.-Abl. ~ Acc. (3% - 19) Dat.-Abl. ~ Nom. (2% - 13) Gen.-Dat. ~ Nom. (0% - 1) Gen.-Dat. ~ Abl. (0% - 1) Nom.-Abl. ~ Dat. (9% - 57) Nom.-Abl. ~ Gen. (7% - 44)	**Acc. ~ Abl.** 18% + Nom.-**Acc. ~ Abl.** 2% + Dat.-**Abl. ~ Acc.** 3% = **23%** **Gen. ~ Dat.** 11% + **Dat.**-Abl. **~ Gen. 2%** = **13%** **Nom. ~ Acc.** = **2%** (+ -AS pro – ae 4% = 6%)
Case system in early Africa Proconsularis and Numidia c. 1-3 AD (100% = 251)	**Chart 6a**
Acc. ~ Abl. (24% - 52) Gen. ~ Dat. (10% - 26) Gen. ~ Abl. (0% - 1) Dat. ~ Abl. (2% - 6) Nom.-Acc. ~ Abl. (10% - 26) Acc. ~ Dat. (1% - 3) Acc. ~ Gen. (0% - 0) Nom. ~ Abl. (14% - 36) Nom. ~ Dat. (5% - 12) Nom. ~ Gen. (2% - 6) Nom. ~ Acc. (1% - 3) Nom. ~ Voc. (0% - 0) Other (2% - 4) Dat.-Abl. ~ Gen. (1% - 3) Dat.-Abl. ~ Acc. (4% - 9) Dat.-Abl. ~ Nom. (3% - 8) Gen.-Dat. ~ Abl. (0% - 1) Gen.-Dat. ~ Nom. (1% - 2) Nom.-Abl. ~ Dat. (1% - 3) Nom.-Abl. ~ Gen. (2% - 5) Nom.-Abl. ~ Acc. (17% - 43)	**Acc. ~ Abl.** 24% + Nom.-**Acc. ~ Abl.** 10% + Dat.-**Abl. ~ Acc.** 4% = **38%** **Gen. ~ Dat.** 10% + **Dat.**-Abl. **~ Gen.** 1% = **11%** **Nom. ~ Acc.** = **1%**

Table 3.3	c. 1-3 AD	Hispania	Gallia & Germania	Italia	Roma	Illyricum	Africa
Proportion of Acc.~Abl. and Gen.~Dat.		**32% / 8% = 4**	(10% / 29% = 0,3)	50% / 6% = 8	41% / 4% = 10	**23% / 13% = 1,8**	**38% / 11% = 3,5**
Rate of Nom.~Acc.		*4%*	2%	1%	0%	2%	*1%*

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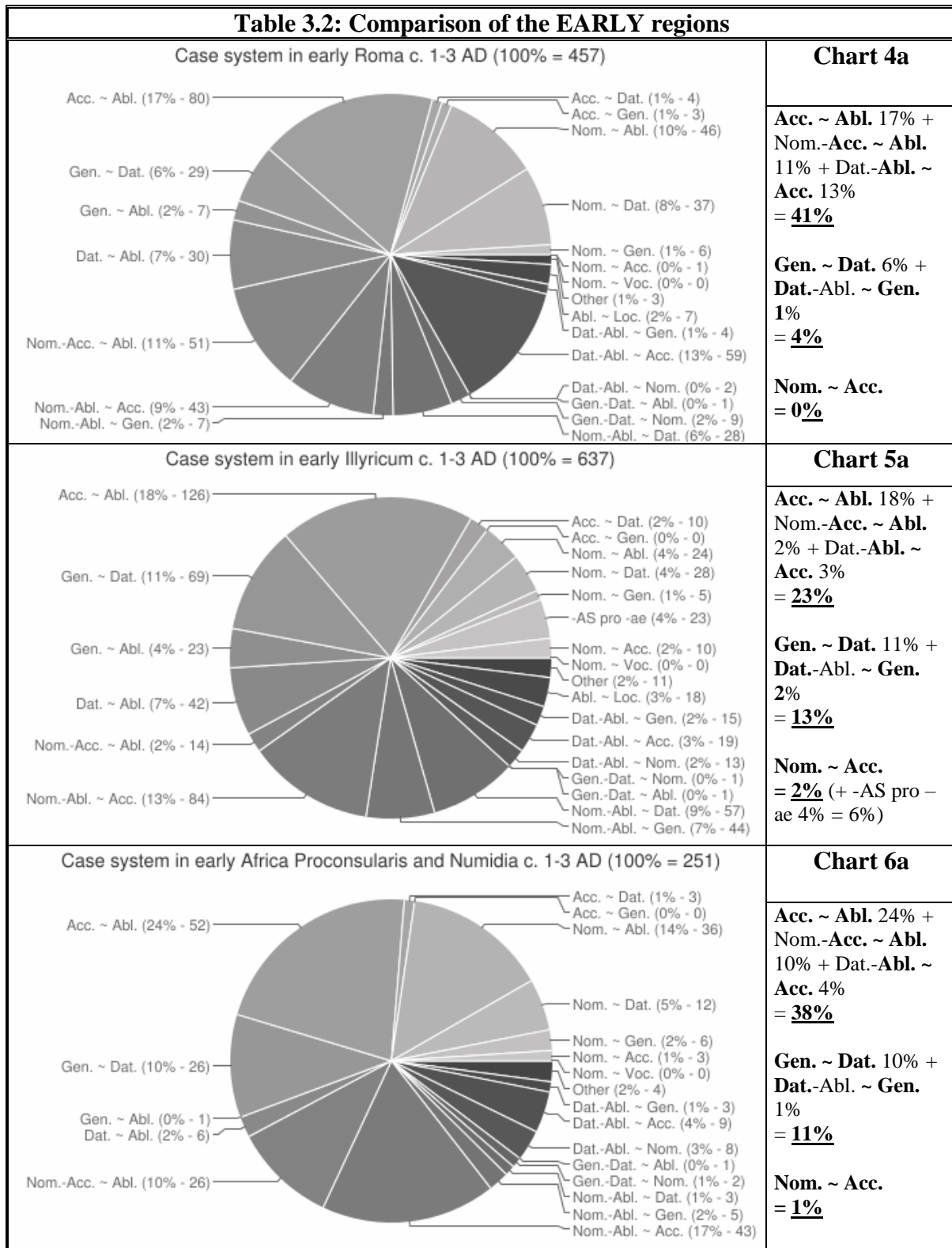
Table 4.1: Comparison of the LATER regions	
Case system in later Hispania c. 4-7 AD (100% = 216)	**Chart 1b** **Acc. ~ Abl.** 31% + Nom.-**Acc. ~ Abl.** 1% + Dat.-**Abl. ~ Acc.** 23% = **55%** **Gen. ~ Dat.** 5% + **Dat.**-Abl. **~ Gen.** 2% = **7%** **Nom. ~ Acc. = 4%** (+ -AS pro -ae 4% = 8%)
Case system in later Gallia and Germania c. 4-7 (100% = 150)	**Chart 2b** **Acc. ~ Abl.** 45% + Nom.-**Acc. ~ Abl.** 1% + Dat.-**Abl. ~ Acc.** 13% = **59%** **Gen. ~ Dat.** 5% + **Dat.**-Abl. **~ Gen.** 8% = **13%** **Nom. ~ Acc. = 0%**
Case system in later Italia c. 4-7 AD (100% = 311)	**Chart 3b** **Acc. ~ Abl.** 25% + Nom.-**Acc. ~ Abl.** 13% + Dat.-**Abl. ~ Acc.** 4% = **42%** **Gen. ~ Dat.** 4% + **Dat.**-Abl. **~ Gen.** 2% = **6%** **Nom. ~ Acc. = 2%** (+ -AS pro -ae 1% = 3%)

Table 4.2: Comparison of the LATER regions

Case system in later Roma c.4-7 AD (100% = 261)	Chart 4b

Acc. ~ Gen. (0% - 0)
Acc. ~ Abl. (43% - 112)
Nom. ~ Abl. (18% - 46)
Nom. ~ Dat. (0% - 0)
Nom. ~ Gen. (0% - 1)
-AS pro -ae (1% - 3)
Nom. ~ Acc. (0% - 0)
Nom. ~ Voc. (0% - 1)
Other (1% - 3)
Dat.-Abl. ~ Gen. (1% - 2)
Dat.-Abl. ~ Acc. (9% - 24)
Dat.-Abl. ~ Nom. (0% - 0)
Gen.-Dat. ~ Nom. (0% - 0)
Nom.-Abl. ~ Dat. (2% - 4)
Nom.-Abl. ~ Gen. (0% - 1)
Nom.-Abl. ~ Acc. (4% - 11)
Nom.-Acc. ~ Abl. (11% - 28)
Gen. ~ Dat. (2% - 5)
Gen. ~ Abl. (1% - 2)
Dat. ~ Abl. (7% - 18)

Chart 4b: **Acc. ~ Abl.** 43% + Nom.-**Acc. ~ Abl.** 11% + Dat.-**Abl. ~ Acc.** 9% = **63%**

Gen. ~ Dat. 2% + **Dat.**-Abl. **~ Gen.** 1% = **3%**

Nom. ~ Acc. = **0%** (+ -AS pro -ae 1% = 1%)

Case system in later Illyricum c. 4-7 AD (100% = 157)	Chart 5b

Acc. ~ Abl. (19% - 32)
Acc. ~ Gen. (0% - 0)
Nom. ~ Abl. (1% - 2)
Nom. ~ Dat. (4% - 6)
Nom. ~ Gen. (1% - 1)
-AS pro -ae (2% - 3)
Nom. ~ Acc. (3% - 4)
Nom. ~ Voc. (1% - 1)
Other (1% - 2)
Gen. ~ Dat. (17% - 26)
Gen. ~ Abl. (3% - 4)
Dat. ~ Abl. (3% - 4)
Nom.-Acc. ~ Abl. (2% - 3)
Nom.-Abl. ~ Acc. (13% - 21)
Nom.-Abl. ~ Gen. (1% - 2)
Nom.-Abl. ~ Dat. (2% - 3)
Gen.-Dat. ~ Nom. (1% - 1)
Dat.-Abl. ~ Nom. (1% - 2)
Dat.-Abl. ~ Gen. (18% - 29)
Dat.-Abl. ~ Acc. (7% - 11)

Chart 5b: **Acc. ~ Abl.** 19% + Nom.-**Acc. ~ Abl.** 2% + Dat.-**Abl. ~ Acc.** 7% = **28%**

Gen. ~ Dat. 17% + **Dat.**-Abl. **~ Gen.** 18% = **35%**

Nom. ~ Acc. = **3%** (+ -AS pro -ae 2% = 5%)

Case system in later Africa Proconsularis and Numidia c. 4-7 AD (100% = 128)	Chart 6b

Gen. ~ Dat. (4% - 5)
Gen. ~ Abl. (1% - 1)
Dat. ~ Abl. (5% - 6)
Acc. ~ Abl. (13% - 16)
Acc. ~ Dat. (0% - 0)
Acc. ~ Gen. (0% - 0)
Nom. ~ Abl. (5% - 6)
Nom. ~ Dat. (1% - 1)
Nom. ~ Gen. (3% - 4)
-AS pro -ae (2% - 3)
Nom. ~ Acc. (4% - 5)
Nom. ~ Voc. (2% - 3)
Other (1% - 1)
Dat.-Abl. ~ Gen. (1% - 1)
Dat.-Abl. ~ Acc. (5% - 6)
Dat.-Abl. ~ Nom. (1% - 1)
Gen.-Dat. ~ Nom. (1% - 1)
Nom.-Abl. ~ Gen. (4% - 5)
Nom.-Abl. ~ Acc. (9% - 12)
Nom.-Acc. ~ Abl. (38% - 51)

Chart 6b: Nom.-**Acc. ~ Abl.** 38% + **Acc. ~ Abl.** 13% + Dat.-**Abl. ~ Acc.** 5% = **56%**

Gen. ~ Dat. 4% + **Dat.**-Abl. **~ Gen.** 1% = **5%**

Nom. ~ Acc. = **4%** (+ -AS pro -ae 2% = 6%)

Table 4.3	c. 4-7	Hispania	Gallia & Germania	Italia	Roma	Illyricum	Africa
Proportion of Acc.~Abl. and Gen.~Dat.		**55% / 7% = 8**	59% / 13% = 4,5	**42% / 6% = 7**	63% / 3% = 21	(28% / 35% = 0,8)	**56% / 5% = 11**
Rate of Nom.~Acc.		**4%**	0%	*2%*	0%	3%	**4%**
de + abl. pro gen. & *ad* + acc pro dat.		*16 & 4*	1 & 1	*5 & 0*	0 & 0	1 & 0	*0 & 0*

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Note to Table 4.3:
LLDB-47046: de + abl. pro gen., VINDO PORTIONE| DE TERRA = *vendo portionem terrae*
LLDB-60035: ad + acc. pro dat., AD EVM DICENS = *ei dicens*

Table 5a (= Table 1 in Adamik 2014: 658, based on Herman 2000: 58-59)

Vulgar Latin Case-system	nominative	accusative-ablative	dative-genitive
1. Gaul (Old French, Old Occitan)			
2. Balkans (Rumanian)			
3. Africa (Hispania, Italia), modern Romance			

Table 1: Different regions of the Vulgar Latin declension system

Table 5b

Vulgar Latin Case-system	nominative	accusative-ablative	dative-genitive
1. Gaul (Old French, Old Occitan)			
2. Balkans (Rumanian)			
3. Hispania, Italia (modern Romance)			
4. Africa (no Romance)			

Table 5: Different regions of the Vulgar Latin declension system

Present paper intends to explore the process of the transformation of the case system as evidenced in the inscriptions of the Roman provinces Africa Proconsularis and Numidia. First the peculiarities of the transformation of the case system in African Latin in the pre-Christian and Christian periods will be analysed. Then the African distributional patterns of case system changes will be compared to those of other regions of the Empire selected for the survey including Spain, Gaul (including Germany), Italy, Illyricum, and the city of Rome. Finally, the results of the present analysis, especially those regarding the dialectological positioning of Roman Africa, will be compared with the results of the investigation of Gaeng 1992 regarding the later, Christian period.