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**The Problem of Remainder of the Auxiliary Verb -a(←aris//ars)
in Some Eastern Dialects of the Georgian Language**

Summary

In eastern dialects of the Georgian Language, as Ingiloan, Pshavian, Khevsurian, Tush, the remainder -a of the auxiliary verb may be contracted with complex predicates, -a of static verb and that of 1st Resultative is also contracted (3person marker); the preceding vowel has been prolonged as a means of compensation; if -a is not immediately preceded by a vowel, then there is no trace of compensation: *kačī* (←*kačia*), *damičeri* (←*damičeria*), *hgoni* (←*hgonia*), *agi* (←*agia*)... cf.: *qopi* (←*qopila*), *daišal* (←*daišala*)...

Therefore, omission of -a is a manifestation of the inner potential of the Georgian Language, and the explanation of the analogical process in Ingiloan could not be based on the influence of Azerbaijanian (cf. V. Jangidze).