Degrees in Ukrainian deadjectival verbs

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Adjective	translation
vesel-yj	cheerful
vesel-iš-yj	more cheerful
Inchoative	translation
vesel-ity	to become (more) cheerful
vesel-iš-aty	to become (more) cheerful
Causative	translation
vesel-yty	to make cheerful
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Aims of this talk

- ► To show a unique data pattern in the formation of inchoative verbs in Ukrainian.
- ► To prove that the inchoative is built on the comparative.
- ► To explain the distribution of comparative, inchoative, and causative morphemes.

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c.	tverd-i-ty	to become hard		

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- (2) Oksana bil-y-la stinu. Oksana white-CAUS-PAST wall.ACC "Oksana was whitening the wall."

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- (4) Vin buv veselyj, i raptom šče po-vesel-iš-a-v. He was cheerful and suddenly more cheerful-CMPR-INCH-PAST "He was cheerful and suddenly became more cheerful."

Inchoatives and causatives: positive and comparative

Adj CMPR	translation
vesel- <mark>iš</mark> -yj	(more) cheerful
Inch CMPR	translation
vesel-iš-a-t	y to become (more) cheerful
	vesel-iš-yj Inch CMPR

Inchoatives and causatives: positive and comparative

Adj POS	Adj CMPR	translation
vesel-yj	vesel-iš-yj	(more) cheerful
Inch POS	Inch CMPR	translation
vesel-i-ty	vesel-iš-a-t	ty to become (more) cheerful
Caus POS	Caus CMP	R translation
vesel-y-ty	-	to make cheerful

Causatives: only positive

(5) Ostap buv sumnyj, ale Oleh joho roz-vesel-y-v. Ostap was sad but Oleh him cheerful-CAUS-PAST "Ostap was sad but Oleh cheered him up." -> Inchoatives can be build on the positive and the comparative adjectives, while causatives only on the positive.

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- -> "Deadjectival verbs with a suffix -a are based on the comparative form of an adjective, [...] they have inchoative meaning. Within the Slavic family, such verbs exist only in Ukrainian."

(Greščuk 1995: 101-102)

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The unique Ukrainian pattern allows us to examine the morphological makeup of the inchoative.

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	Adj POS	Adj CMPR	translation
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c.	dešev-yj	dešev- <mark>š</mark> -yj	cheap

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b.	nov-yj	nov- <mark>iš</mark> -yj	new
c.	dešev-yj	dešev- <mark>š</mark> -yj	cheap
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There are two comparative allomorphs in Ukrainian: $-i\check{s}$ and $-\check{s}$, where $-\check{c}$ is a phonological alternant of $-\check{s}$ (Vyshnevska 2022a).

	-	-		Inch CMPR	
a.	mudr-yj	mudr- <mark>iš</mark> -yj	mudr-i-ty	mudr-iš-a-ty	wise

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a	. mudr-yj	mudr-iš-yj	mudr-i-ty	mudr-iš-a-ty	wise
b	. nov-yj	nov- <mark>iš</mark> -yj	nov-i-ty	nov-iš-a-ty	new

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a.	korot- <mark>k</mark> -yj	korot-š-yj	short

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b.	tiaž- <mark>k</mark> -yj	tiaž- <mark>č</mark> -yj	heavy

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b.	tiaž- <mark>k</mark> -yj	tiaž- <mark>č</mark> -yj	heavy
c.	švyd- <mark>k</mark> -yj	švyd- <mark>š</mark> -yj	fast
d.	rid- <mark>k</mark> -yj	rid- <mark>k-iš</mark> -yj	liquid
		rid- <mark>š</mark> -yj	

(while it can also be kept)

	Adj POS	Adj CMPR	Inchoative	translation
a.	korot- <mark>k</mark> -yj	korot- š -yj	korot-š-a-ty	short
			korot-i-ty	

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			korot-i-ty	
b.	tiaž- <mark>k</mark> -yj	tiaž- <mark>č</mark> -yj	tiaž-č- <mark>a</mark> -ty	heavy
			tiaž- <mark>i</mark> -ty	

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			korot-i-ty	
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			tiaž- <mark>i</mark> -ty	
c.	švyd- <mark>k</mark> -yj	švyd- <u>š</u> -yj	švyd- <mark>š-a</mark> -ty	fast
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			korot-i-ty	
b.	tiaž- <mark>k</mark> -yj	tiaž- <mark>č</mark> -yj	tiaž-č- <mark>a</mark> -ty	heavy
			tiaž- <mark>i</mark> -ty	
C.	švyd- <mark>k</mark> -yj	švyd- <mark>š</mark> -yj	švyd- <mark>š-a</mark> -ty	fast
			-	
d.	rid- <mark>k</mark> -yj	rid- <mark>k-iš</mark> -yj	-	liquid
		rid- <mark>š</mark> -yj	rid- <mark>š-a</mark> -ty	
			rid- <mark>i</mark> -ty	

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			v-korot-y-ty	

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			v-korot-y-ty	
b.	tiaž- <mark>k</mark> -yj	tiaž- <mark>č</mark> -yj	-	heavy
			ob-tiaž- <mark>y</mark> -ty	

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			v-korot-y-ty	
b.	tiaž- <mark>k</mark> -yj	tiaž- <mark>č</mark> -yj	-	heavy
			ob-tiaž- <mark>y</mark> -ty	
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			-	

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b.	tiaž- <mark>k</mark> -yj	tiaž- <mark>č</mark> -yj	-	heavy
			ob-tiaž- <mark>y</mark> -ty	
C.	švyd- <mark>k</mark> -yj	švyd- <u>š</u> -yj	pry-švyd- <u>š</u> -y-ty	fast
			-	
d.	rid- <mark>k</mark> -yj	rid- <mark>k-iš-</mark> yj	-	liquid
		rid- <mark>š</mark> -yj	-	
			roz-rid-y-ty	

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	Adj POS	Adj CMPR	translation
a.	hlyb- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	hlyb- <mark>š</mark> -yj	deep
b.	šyr- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	šyr- <mark>š</mark> -yj	wide
c.	vys- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	vyš- <mark>č</mark> -yj	tall

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a.	hlyb- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	hlyb- <mark>š</mark> -yj	deep
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C.	vys- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	vyš- <mark>č</mark> -yj	tall
d.	dal- <mark>ek</mark> -yj	dalj- <mark>š</mark> -yj	far

	Adj POS	Adj CMPR	Inchoative	translation
a.	hlyb- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	hlyb- <mark>š</mark> -yj	hlyb- <mark>š-a</mark> -ty	deep

	Adj POS	Adj CMPR	Inchoative	translation
a.	hlyb- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	hlyb- <mark>š</mark> -yj	hlyb- <mark>š-a</mark> -ty	deep
b.	šyr- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	šyr- <mark>š</mark> -yj	šyr- <mark>š-a</mark> -ty	wide

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b.	šyr- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	šyr- <mark>š</mark> -yj	šyr- <mark>š-a</mark> -ty	wide
c.	vys- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	vyš- <mark>č</mark> -yj	vys-č- <mark>a</mark> -ty	tall

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b.	šyr- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	šyr- <mark>š</mark> -yj	šyr- <mark>š-a</mark> -ty	wide
c.	vys- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	vyš- <mark>č</mark> -yj	vys- <mark>č-a</mark> -ty	tall
d.	dal- <mark>ek</mark> -yj	dalj- <mark>š</mark> -yj	dalj- <mark>š-a</mark> -ty	far

In the inchoative, we see the pattern repeated.

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b.	šyr- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	šyr- <mark>š</mark> -yj	šyr- <mark>š-a</mark> -ty	wide
c.	vys- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	vyš- <mark>č</mark> -yj	vys-č-a-ty	tall
d.	dal- <mark>ek</mark> -yj	dalj- <mark>š</mark> -yj	dalj- <mark>š-a</mark> -ty	far

The comparative suffix is always present.

	Adj POS	Adj CMPR	Causative	translation
a.	hlyb- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	hlyb- <u>š</u> -yj	-	deep
			po-hlyb-y-ty	

	Adj POS	Adj CMPR	Causative	translation
a.	hlyb- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	hlyb- <mark>š</mark> -yj	-	deep
			po-hlyb-y-ty	
b.	šyr- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	šyr- <mark>š</mark> -yj	-	wide
			roz-šyr-y-ty	

	Adj POS	Adj CMPR	Causative	translation
a.	hlyb- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	hlyb-š-yj	-	deep
			po-hlyb-y-ty	
b.	šyr- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	šyr- <mark>š</mark> -yj	-	wide
			roz-šyr-y-ty	
C.	dal- <mark>ek</mark> -yj	dalj- š -yj	-	far
			vid-dal- <mark>y</mark> -ty	

	Adj POS	Adj CMPR	Causative	translation
a.	hlyb- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	hlyb- <u>š</u> -yj	-	deep
			po-hlyb- <mark>y</mark> -ty	
b.	šyr- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	šyr- <mark>š</mark> -yj	-	wide
			roz-šyr-y-ty	
c.	dal- <mark>ek</mark> -yj	dalj- <mark>š</mark> -yj	-	far
			vid-dal- <mark>y</mark> -ty	
d.	vys- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	vyš- <mark>č</mark> -yj	pid-vyš- <mark>č-y</mark> -ty	tall
			pid-vys- <mark>y</mark> -ty	

	Adj POS	Inchoative	translation
a.	hlyb- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	hlyb- <mark>oč-i</mark> -ty	deep

	Adj POS	Inchoative	translation
a.	hlyb- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	hlyb- <mark>oč-i</mark> -ty	deep
b.	šyr- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	šyr- <mark>oč-i</mark> -ty	wide

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c.	vys- <mark>ok</mark> -yj	vys- <mark>oč-i</mark> -ty	tall
d.	dal- <mark>ek</mark> -yj	dal- <mark>eč-i</mark> -ty	far

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a.	hlyb- <mark>oč-i</mark> -ty	to be deep	po-hlyb- <mark>oč-i-</mark> ty	to be deep for a bit

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b.	šyr- <mark>oč-i</mark> -ty	to be wide	po-šyr- <mark>oč-i</mark> -ty	to be wide for a bit

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	b.	šyr- <mark>oč-i</mark> -ty	to be wide	po-šyr- <mark>oč-i</mark> -ty	to be wide for a bit
	c.	vys- <mark>oč-i-t</mark> y	to be tall	po-vys- <mark>oč-i</mark> -ty	to be tall for a bit

	Inchoative	translation	Inchoative po-	translation
a.	hlyb- <mark>oč-i-t</mark> y	to be deep	po-hlyb- <mark>oč-i-</mark> ty	to be deep for a bit
b.	šyr- <mark>oč-i</mark> -ty	to be wide	po-šyr- <mark>oč-i</mark> -ty	to be wide for a bit
c.	vys- <mark>oč-i</mark> -ty	to be tall	po-vys- <mark>oč-i</mark> -ty	to be tall for a bit
d.	dal- <mark>eč</mark> -i-ty	to be far	po-dal- <mark>eč-i-</mark> ty	to be far for a bit

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a.	čor- <mark>n</mark> -yj	čor- <mark>n-iš-</mark> yj	čor- <mark>n-i</mark> -ty	black
			čor-n-iš-a-ty	

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			čor- <mark>n-iš-a</mark> -ty	
b.	pev- <mark>n</mark> -yj	pev- <mark>n-iš</mark> -yj	pev- <mark>n-i</mark> -ty	certain
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			pev- <mark>n-iš-a</mark> -ty	
c.	rozum- <mark>n</mark> -yj	rozum- <mark>n-iš</mark> -yj	rozum- <mark>n-i-t</mark> y	clever
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			rozum- <mark>n-iš-a</mark> -ty	
d.	xolod- <mark>n</mark> -yj	xolod- <mark>n-iš</mark> -yj	xolod- <mark>n-i</mark> -ty	cold
			xolod-n-iš-a-ty	

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			-	
b.	pev- <mark>n</mark> -yj	pev- <mark>n-iš</mark> -yj	za-pev-n-y-ty	certain
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b.	pev- <mark>n</mark> -yj	pev- <mark>n-iš</mark> -yj	za-pev- <mark>n-y</mark> -ty	certain
			-	
c.	rozum- <mark>n</mark> -yj	rozum- <mark>n-iš</mark> -yj	v-rozum-y-ty	clever
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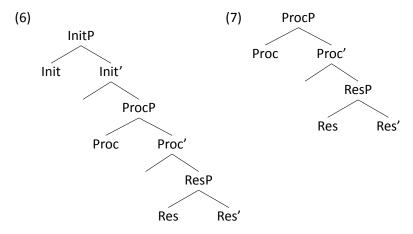
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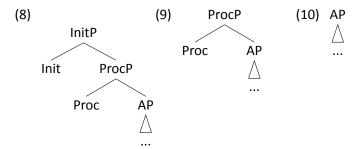
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Ramchand (2008) suggests that the InitP is absent in inchoatives (2).

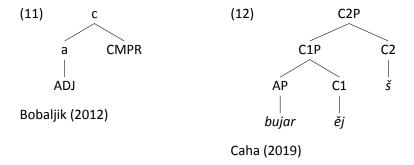


The containment relation

The causative verb contains the inchoative, just like both types of verbs contain the adjective (Caha et al. Accepted).



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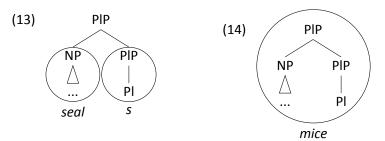


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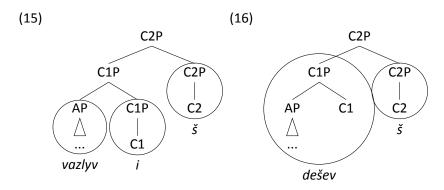
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The differences in morphology comes from the number of features that is spelled out.

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root	i	Š	а		ty	Inch 1
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AP	C1	C2	Proc	Init	Infin	
root	i	š	а		ty	Inch 1
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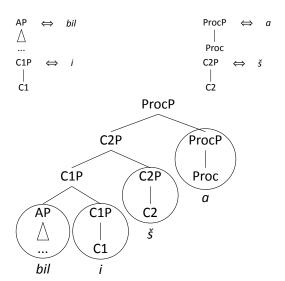
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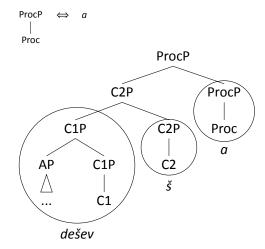
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Inch 1: AP

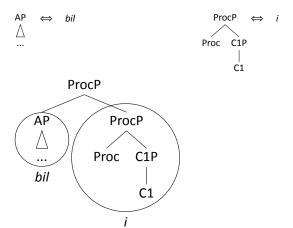


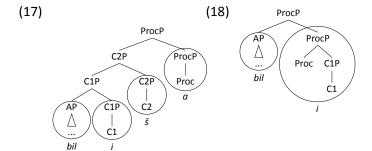
Inch 1: C1P





Inch 2





AP	C1	C2	Proc	Init	Infin	
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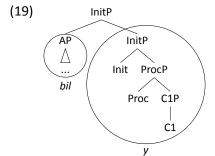
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Caus 2





AP	C1	C2	Proc	Init	Infin	
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dešev		š	а		ty	Inch 1
bil	i				ty	Inch 2
bil	У				ty	Caus

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dešev		š	а		ty	Inch 1
bil	i				ty	Inch 2
bil	У				ty	Caus

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bil	У				ty	Caus

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- ► These doublets can be explained using Ramchand (2008) and the framework of Nanosyntax.

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