
THE TRANSITIVITY OF SUFFIXED VERB (-KAN) OF INDONESIAN LANGUAGE FOUND IN KOMPAS.COM'S ARTICLE

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ABSTRACT

The research aims to find out how the transitivity level of verb which is formed through affixation process. The data sources of this research are taken from Covid-19 article in online newspaper of Kompas.com published on 1 January 2022 until 7 January 2022. The theory used in this research as to show the transitivity level of the data is taken from Hopper and Thompson (1980) by using 10 transitivity parameters. The research finds 3 sentences using suffix (-kan) which tend to have high level in terms of transitivity.

Keywords: Verb, Suffix, Transitivity Parameter, Kompas.com.

1. INTRODUCTION

In early 2020, Indonesia was shocked by the disease called Covid-19 that affected human's respiratory tract that quickly spread. Mass media tried to help by updating every recent news related to the progression of Covid-19 disease and the way to prevent the spread of Covid-19 itself. In conveying information, there was newly discovered health terms in the article especially about Covid-19 in a form of verb.

Verb is a part of word class formed through the affixation process. Affixation in Indonesian language could be defined into prefix, infix, suffix, confix and combination of affixes. Affixed verb could affect other components in a clause. Transitivity here means a system to elaborate the experience of participants referring to the relation between verb 1 2 with the another supporting elements. Hopper and Thompson then proposed ten parameters as criterion of transitivity level. The parameters are used to show and prove if each component of transitivity has impact in different aspect. Those ten parameters are participants, kinesis, aspect, punctuality, volitionality, affirmation, mode, agency, affectedness of O, individuation of O. Some phenomena of affixed verb could be found in online newspaper. One of active online mass media in delivering information is Kompas.com as it is also known as one of the famous mass media in Indonesia. Covid-19 has impacted in many sectors. When Indonesia was afflicted by Covid-19 disease, all the activities were attempted to be done through online. Government tried to update the recent information related to Covid-19 case. Online newspaper was also actively sharing the information about it. As there are so many news regarding to Covid-19, there is expectation to find at least 3 variations of verb to support this research to be more interesting.

Data Source

Data of the research is affixed verb. The source of data in the research is online newspaper published by Kompas.com focusing in Covid-19. Kompas.com is one of credible mass media in Indonesia and in a situs called Semrush, as of 25 January 2022 Kompas.com has become

number one in Indonesia. Kompas is one of pioneers in the field of online mass media since 1995. Internet nowadays has influenced people in their daily activity as it also tends people to read news through online. Thus, it makes the way of how news is written is adjusted with how people currently communicate.

The research takes data from Kompas.com related to Covid-19 published in 1 January 2022 until 7 January 2022. Case of Covid-19 disease in Indonesia had existed since early of 2020 and yet the new Covid-19 variant came up in 2022 even it had been subsided for a while. It makes media intensively reporting news related Covid-19 daily. As the intensity of Covid-19 news are quite increasing, it is expected to provide variative data for the research to be analysed.

2. RESEARCH METHOD

Qualitative approach is used in the research as to show about how transitivity level of affixed verb. The data of this research are collected using observation method yet taking notes technique. Distributional method is used to analyse the classified verb. This research uses theory of verb affixation from Tata Bahasa Baku Bahasa Indonesia (2017).

a) Suffix

Suffix is one of affixes which is put after basic word. Suffix in Indonesian language could form verb as follow.

Transitivity level of suffixed verb could be seen using table of 10 transitivity parameters proposed by Hopper and Thompson (1980)

- a) Participants mean there are at least two respondents for being able to transfer action among them.
- b) Kinesis which means there is an action given from agent to patient.
- c) Aspect shows if the transfer of action is completely done or not.
- d) Punctuality means how action is transferred. It refers to transition from the start of the action given until the action is done.
- e) Volitionality means there is a clear intention of why the action is done to patient
- f) Affirmation refers to the form of how clause and sentence are presented, it could be in a form of positive (affirmative) or negative
- g) Mode refers to realis and irrealis context to show if the transfer of action is possibly done (real) or the action which is unreal (irrealis) that could not happen in reality.
- h) Agency refers to agent that could transfer action and gives and impact from the action itself.
- i) Affectedness of O refers to the action that completely impacts the patient.
- j) Individuation of O refers to

INDIVIDUATED	NON-INDIVIDUATED
Proper	Common
Human, Animate	Inanimate
Concrete	Abstract

3. RESULT AND DISCUSSION RESULT

This research finds one of suffixes which is -kan. There are three sentences contain suffixed verb -kan. Those three sentences are classified as high transitivity based on 10 transitivity parameters proposed by Hopper and Thompson (1980).

Discussion**Datum 1** Presiden Jokowi Putuskan Vaksinasi Booster Dimulai 12 Januari 2022

Putus + -kan

The word putuskan is a verb formed through affixation process by adding -kan suffix in a word putus. There is the explanation of the effectiveness or the intensification of transitivity components in a form of action given by agent to object in the sentence “Presiden Jokowi Putuskan Vaksinasi Booster Dimulai 12 Januari 2022”.

A. PARTICIPANTS	<i>High</i>
B. KINESIS	<i>Low</i>
C. ASPECT	<i>High</i>
D. PUNCTUALITY	<i>Low</i>
E. VOLITIONALITY	<i>High</i>
F. AFFIRMATION	<i>High</i>
G. MODE	<i>High</i>
H. AGENCY	<i>High</i>
I. AFFECTEDNESS OF O	<i>Low</i>
J. INDIVIDUATION OF O	<i>Low</i>

There are 6 high transitivity criteria found in datum 1. The sentence above is categorized as high participants as there are 2 participants, they are Presiden Jokowi as agent and vaksinasi booster as object. The action putuskan (decide) describes a process of past event as there is a result of deciding which is 12 January 2022, it indicates the sentence above is categorized as high aspect. The clear purpose and objective of the action which is deciding the date of booster vaccination shows the sentence above is into high volitionality. The datum 1 is categorized as high affirmation and high mode as it is presented in a form of positive sentence and the sentence describes the real event which is really and logically happening. Presiden Jokowi as agent intentionally tends to deliver the action indicates the agent of the sentence is high in potency of agent.

Datum 2 Dinkes DKI Temukan 6 Kasus Transmisi Lokal Omicron di Jakarta

Temu + -kan

The word temukan is a verb formed through affixation process which is the addition of (- kan) suffix in the root wood temu. Here is the explanation of the intensity of transitivity components in a form of action given by agent to the object in the sentence “Dinkes DKI Temukan 6 Kasus Transmisi Lokal Omicron di Jakarta”.

A. PARTICIPANTS	<i>High</i>
B. KINESIS	<i>High</i>
C. ASPECT	<i>High</i>
D. PUNCTUALITY	<i>Low</i>
E. VOLITIONALITY	<i>High</i>
F. AFFIRMATION	<i>High</i>
G. MODE	<i>High</i>
H. AGENCY	<i>High</i>
I. AFFECTEDNESS OF O	<i>High</i>
J. INDIVIDUATION OF O	<i>Low</i>

The sentence above contains 8 high transitivity criteria, it is labelled as high participants since the sentence has 2 participants, they are Dinkes DKI as an agent and dan 6 Kasus Transmisi Lokal Omicron as the object. The action which is given by agent to object as the process of revelation of fact about 6 local transmission cases related to Omicron disease in Jakarta indicates the sentence is categorized as high kinesis. The word temukan shows the past event as the result is the fact that 6 local transmission cases had been revealed, thus it explains that the sentence is into high aspect. Temukan as verb is purposely done by the agent as it describes the sentence containing high volitionality. Datum 2 is presented in a form of positive sentence yet the event in the sentence is actually done in real life mean the sentence belongs to high affirmation and high mode. Dinas Kesehatan as agent is able to deliver action very well shows if the agent of the sentence is high in potency. There is obvious that the verb temukan does not belong to physical action however the object of the sentence still gets the impact of the act given by agent in a form of status change.

Datum 3 Kita sudah siapkan obatnya.

Siap + -kan

The word *siapkan* is a verb formed through affixation process by adding (-kan) suffix. Here is the table of ten transitivity parameters to show the intensity of transitivity components in the sentence “Kita sudah *siapkan* obatnya”.

A. PARTICIPANTS	<i>High</i>
B. KINESIS	<i>High</i>
C. ASPECT	<i>High</i>
D. PUNCTUALITY	<i>Low</i>
E. VOLITIONALITY	<i>High</i>
F. AFFIRMATION	<i>High</i>
G. MODE	<i>High</i>
H. AGENCY	<i>High</i>
I. AFFECTEDNESS OF O	<i>High</i>
J. INDIVIDUATION OF O	<i>High</i>

There are 9 criteria of high transitivity found in datum 3. The sentence above has high participants criteria as there are 2 participants, they are Kami as the agent and Obatnya as the object. The action given by agent to object as the process of preparing medicine indicates the sentence has high criteria of kinesis. The clause *telah siapkan* here describes the process of past event as it could be seen from the auxiliary verb *telah* that has a meaning if the action has been done already, thus it indicates the sentence is into high aspect. Kami as agent is consciously preparing the medicine with their own purposes showing the sentence above is into high volitionality. Datum 3 is presented in a form of positive sentence yet the event in the sentence is actually done in real life mean the sentence belongs to high affirmation and high mode. The ability of agent that could transfer an action indicates the agent has high level in potency. Obatnya as the object experiences a change in status from unready until it is ready to distribute categorizing the sentence into high affectedness of o yet the object obatnya is real definite object, thus it is categorized as high individuation of o.

4. CONCLUSION

From the analysis above, there is a fact that those three data are high transitivity verbs. It could happen as the verb are formed through suffixation process, especially (-kan) suffix. (- kan)

suffixed verb tend to be used in a complete form of sentence, thus it could meet the high criteria of 10 transitivity parameters. In addition, high or low the level of transitivity itself could be affected from the meaning and the structure of the sentence.

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