

INDO-EUROPEAN KINSHIP TERMS IN **- ϱ_2 TER*

It was Andrew Sihler (together with Warren Cowgill) who has (have) determined the kinship terms in **- ϱ_2 ter* (1988, 558–59), differing them from the *nomina agentis* in **-ter*. Let us recapitulate the most important forms (see Brugmann 2.1, 331–35):

$$*b^h\bar{r}āter- = *b^hre\varrho_2ter- \text{ "brother"}$$

OI *bhrātar-*: nom. sg. *bhrātā*, acc. sg. *bhrātaram* etc., Pkt *bhāā*, *bhāi(a)-* & *bhāu(a)-*, Hindi *bhāī*, Aškun *břa*, Waigali *brā*, Tirahi *brā*, pl. *brāre*, Khowar *brar* etc. (Turner 1966, # 9661); Av *brātar-*: nom. sg. (Gatha) *brātā*, (late) *brāta*, acc. sg. (late) *brātarəm*, gen. sg. (late) *brāthrō*; OPers nom. sg. *brātā* “brother” (Hoffmann & Forssman 1996, 151), ZorPhl *brāt / brātar*, Pers *birādar*, Khot *brātar-*, Sogd *br̥t(rt)*, Khwar *brād*, MParth (Turfan) *br̥d(r)*, Baluči *brāt*, Kurdic *bəra*, Pašto *wrōr*, Yidgha *vrai*, Wakhi *vərit*, Šugni *vərād*, Yazgulami *vred*, pl. *vradar*, Sarikoli *vrōd* id., *vrador* “related brother”, Iškašim *vrud*, Wakhi *vrūt*, Rošani *virōd*, pl. *virōdar*, Munjan *v̥rōy*, Yaghnobi *virot*, Osset *“rvad / ærvadæ* “brother, relative”, cf. the Sarmatian personal name Βραδακος <**brātaka-* (Abaev 1973, 437–38; Bailey 1979, 313; EWAI I, 280) || ? Lydian *brafra-* “φράτρα”, *brafli-* “φράτωρ” (Gusmani 1964, 85 after Hass) and / or *vratō- / vratu-* “brother” <**b̥rātō-*, cf. OChSl *bratz* “brother” (Georgiev 1984, 15–16; accepted by Neumann 1991, 64, fn. 6) || Arm *elbair*, gen. *elbaur* “brother” <**rb̥o* <**br̥o* <**b̥rātēr*, gen. **b̥rātrōs* || late Phryg dat. sg. βρατερε (Haas 1966, 103); ‘Mysian’ (Üyük) dat.-instr. *brateraiš* (cf. Lith *vilkaiš*, see Georgiev 1977, 201, fn. 3; really perhaps also Phryg, so G. Neumann quoted by Katičić 1976, 150, fn. 259) || Gr Attic φράτηρ, φράτωρ, Doric φράτηρ “Mitglied einer φρατρία (Sippe, Bruderschaft)”, Ionian φρήτηρ ἀδελφός (Hesych.) (Chantraine III, 1226) || Illyrian βρά· ἀδελφοί, ὑπὸ Ἡλείων [Γιλείων cod.; Hesych.] (cf. Krahe 1955, 44; Katičić 1976, 171) || Venetic <*v>hratere.i* “frātrī” (Lejeune 1974, 18) || Lat *frāter* “brother”, Osc *fratrūm*, Umb *fratrum* “frātrūm”, nom. pl. *frateer* <**er-es*; cf. also the velar extension in Umb nom. sg. *fratrexs* <**trikos* (Meiser 1986, 59, 134) || Gaul (Néris-Les-Baines, Allier) man’s name *Bratronos* (Lambert 1994, 105), Welsh *brawd(r)*, pl. *brodyr* & *brodorion*, OCorn *broder*, MBret *breuzr*, Bret *breur*, pl. *breudeur*; cf. also Welsh *brodor* “club-member”; OIr *bráthir*, *bráthair*, gen. *brathar* “brother” <**tēr*, **tros* (Vendryes 1980, B-80–81) || Goth *broþar*, OIc *bróðir*, OEng *brōþor*, OHG *bruoder* id. || Lith *broterēlis*, shortened in *brólis* etc., dial. voc. *brá* (Fraenkel 1962, 59–60), Latv *b(r)ālis* “Brüderchen”, *brātarītis* “lieber Bruder”; OPr *brati*

(Ench 45,3), *brote* “brother” (EV 173) < **brātē* < **b^hrātēr*; *bratrīkai* “brothers” (Ench 55,36) < **brātrīkai* (Toporov 1975, 247–49) || OChSl *bratrъ* (-r- preserved thanks to the oblique forms of the type **b^hrāt^o*; Hamp 1996, 140 proposes a starting point **b^hrātros*) & *bratъ* (with a regular loss of -r, perhaps from nom. **b^hrātēr* > **brati* = OPr *brāti*, cf. **dѣkti* “daughter”, **mati* < *^o*tēr*) id. (Šaur, ESJS 2, 77; Hamp 1992, 13–14) || Toch A *pracar*, dual *pratri*, B *procer*, acc. *protār* id. < *^o*ter* / ^o*tr̥m* (Adams 1999, 422; generally Pokorny 1959, 163–64).

The best etymological analysis was proposed by Pârvulescu (1996) who presents serious arguments for a derivation of this etymon from IE **b^her-* “to give birth”.

**d^hugə₂ter-* “daughter”

OI *duhitár-*: nom. sg. *duhitá*, acc. sg. *duhitáram* etc., Pali *duhitā-* & *dhītar-*, ^o*tā-*, Pkt *duhiā-*, Hindi *dhī*, *dhiyā*, Gypsy (Persian) *dīhīr*, Aškun *zū*, Kati *ju*, Khwarzūr, Kalaša *jhūr*, Torwali *dhū*, Waigali *zū*, *jū*, *lur*, Prasun *lüst* < **dūj*[*h*]itā(r) etc. (Hamp 1970, 229–30; generally Turner 1966, # 6481); Av *dugədar-* & *duyðar-*: nom. sg. (Gatha) *dug²dā*, (late) *duyða*, acc. sg. (late) *duyðarəm*, gen. pl. (Gatha) *dug²dram*, (late) *duyðram* (Hoffmann & Forssman 1996, 151–152), OPers **duxčī-*, (M)Pers *duxt* / *duxtar*, Khot *dutar-*, Khwarzīd *δyd* (**duxtā*), BudSogd *δwγh*, Yaghobi *duxtar* (< Pers), Pašto *lūr*, Yidgha *luydo*, Munjan *loyda*, Sangleči *wuδəyð*, Iškašim *wuduyd*, Wakhi *δəyð*, Yazgulami *δoyd*, pl. *δədar* id., Ormuri *dūa*, *duka*, Parači *dut*, Baluči *dutag* id., cf. the Sasanian inscription of Šahpur I: Parth *dwxtkyh* = Pers *dwxtk* = Gr δονκτακ, Osset Iron *xo-dygd* “sister-in-law”, lit. “sister-*daughter” or “house-daughter” (Bailey 1979, 160; EWAI I, 737; Abaev 1989, 209–10) || HierLuw (Tell Ahmar, 9th cent. BC) ^{FILIA}*tú-wa/i-tara/i-na* (Hawkins 1978, 114), CunLuw ^{SAL}*dutrijatti-*, cf. the source-name ^{TUL}*Du₂uattrinna-* and the personal names in Isaurian Τουατρις and Pisidian Δωταρι (Starke 1980, 77 & 1987, 256; Melchert 1993b, 238), Lycian *kbatra-* “daughter” (Melchert 1993a, 33); ? Lydian *dattro-* (Georgiev 1984, 16–17 after Bossert; rejected by Starke as unconvincing) || Arm *dowstr*, gen. *dster* “daughter” < **ducHt^hēr* < **d^hugHtēr* (Hamp 1970, 230–31) || Gr θυγάτηρ, acc. θυγατέρα, already in Myc nom. sg. *tu-ka-te-qe* = *t^hugáter-k^ue*, dat. sg. *tu-ka-te-re* = ^o*trei*, dat. pl. *tu-ka-ṭa-ṣi* = ^o*ṭisi* (Chantraine 1968, 444–45; Aura Jorro 1993, 374) || Osc *futir*, dat. sg. *fu(u)trei* (Fonte Romito A4, B5; see Eichner 1993, 82–83) < **futir* < **fuhtir* < **fugutir* < **fugatir* (Szemerényi 1977, 22, fn. 77) || Gaul (Larzac) *duxtir* < *^o*ēr* (Lambert 1994, 61, 168); ? Celtib (Third bronze of Botorrita III-24, II-39) gen. sg. *tuateroś* & nom. pl. *tuate[r]es* (Beltrán, Hoz & Untermaier 1996, 119; otherwise Lambert, see de Bernardo Stempel 1996–97, 92, fn. 4); OIr *ter-*, *der-*, proclitic *dar-* ‘a component of early Irish women’s names’, derivable from the expected form ⁺*ducht(a)ir* where the first syllable was dropped, perhaps for its homonymity with the prefix **do-/*du-* “bad” (Hamp 1975, 39–40; following

O'Brien, *Celtica* 3[1956], 178–79); de Bernardo Stempel (1996–97, 92–94) finds this etymon fossilized in the mythological name *Dechtir*, the daughter of Conchobar, comparing it with Κόρη, the daughter of Demeter, lit. “girl”; in the change of the vowel of the first syllable she sees an influence of *dech* “best”, admitting Hamp’s explanation too || Goth *daihtar*; NWGmc nom. pl. *dohtriz* (Tune, Norway, 400 AD), OIc *dóttir*, OEng *dohtor*, OSax *dohter*, OHG *tohter* || Lith *duktė*, gen. *dukteřs*, OPr *duckti* (Ench 43,32), besides Lith *dūkrà* & *dūkrė* & diminutive *dukrēlė*; cf. also Lith *póduktė* & *pódūkra*, -é = OPr *poducre* “Stieftochter” = R *padcerica* id. (Fraenkel 1962, 110, 636) || Sl **dъkti* > OChSl *dъsti*, gen. *dъstere* id. (Valčáková, *ESJS* 3, 160–61) || Toch A *ckācar*, B *tkācer*, gen. *tkātre*, acc. *tkātär* id. < *^o*ter*, ^o*tros*, ^o*tr̥m* (Adams 1999, 312; generally Pokorný 1959, 277; Mann 1984–87, 217–18). The Fenno-Volgaic parallels as Finnish *tytär*, Vepsian, Estonian *tütar*, Livonian *tüdär* “daughter” | Erzya-Mordvinian *tehter*, *teiter*, Mokša-Mordvinian *stir* “id., girl”; ? Mari *üdiür*, *üdər* id. are probably borrowed from Baltic (Thomsen 1890, 167).

A key to etymology could be sought in Goth *ga-dauka* “member of a household” (only acc. pl. *gadaukans* in 1C 1.16, see Lehmann 1986, 135), implying **dug₂ter-* (Szemerényi 1977, 22) and not **dug^h₂ter-*, proposed in recent time e.g. by Pârvulescu (1993), the author of the excellent discussion of this etymon.

**gem₂ter-* “son-in-law”

OI *jāmātar-* “Tochtermann, Schwiegersohn”, Pkt *jāmāu-*, Hindi *jamāī* etc., besides Gypsy (European) *jamutro*, Kašmiri *zāmatur*”, and further Aškun & Waigali *zamā*, Kati *zəmā*, Dameli *zāmā*, Prasun *imí* (Turner 1966, # 5198); Av *zāmātar-* id. (-ā- in the second syllable after *mātar-* “mother”), ZorPhl *dāmāt*, Pers *dāmād*, Baluči *zāmab*, ManSogd pl. *z'mt'yt*, Sangleči *zəmūd*, Yidgha *zamai*, Pašto *zūm*, Munjan *zamo*, Parači *zām* id. (EWAI I, 585–86; Bailey 1979, 345) || Alb Tosk *dhēndērr*, Gheg *dhândēr(r)* “Schwiegersohn, Tochtermann, Bräutigam” (Demiraj 1997, 159–60: pAlb **gāmtēr-* > **ð aNtōr-*), besides **g̑m(ə)ro-* > OI *jāmarya-* ? “related by marriage” (hapax in RV 4.3,9) || Gr γαμβρός “son-in-law”, also “brother-in-law”, besides the late doublet (Phrygia, 4th cent. AD) γαμερός (Chantraine I, 208) || Lat *gener* id. || Bret *géver* id. < **gemero-* (Henry 1900, 132; generally Pokorný 1959, 369, 374, & 370; Mann 1984–87, 402–403).

Cf. also OI *jāmi-* “related as brother or sister”, *vijāmi-* “related by marriage”, (lex.) *jāmēya-* “sister’s son”; Av *zamaοiia-* “brother of daughter’s husband” || Gr γαμέω “marry”. Bailey (1979, 345) seeks the primary semantics in “payment for the bride”, cf. Av *zəmanā-* “payment, wages”, Sogd *z'mn'k* “with payment”, Khot *ysamtha-* “payment for service, usury, interest”, Pašto *zəman* “stipend”. The same semantic motivation can be identified in Hitt LÜ *kusa-* “son-in-law”, SAL *kusa-* “bride”, if the stem *kusa-* is connected with *kusata-* “brideprice” and *kussan-* “payment” (cf. Weeks 1985, 36).

**H₁i₂en₂ter*- “husband’s brother’s wife”

OI *yátar-* ‘husband’s brother’s wife’, Pkt *jāuya-* id., Hindi *jā* id., Assamese *zā* “husband’s brother’s wife”, Kalasha *žadri*, Waigali & Kati *yäří*, Prasun *irí* “co-wife”, Bashkarik *yēl* ‘husband’s elder brother’s wife’ etc. (Turner 1966, # 10453); Iran **yaθr-ī-* > Pers *yārī*, Isfahani *yād*, Pašto *yor* id. (Morgenstierne, NTS 5[1932], 19; EWAI II, 410: **H₁i₂nH₂tér-/*H₁i₂nH₂ter-*) || Arm *ner*, gen. *niri* “die Frauen von Brüdern oder desselben Mannes” || ? Phryg (a late epitaph from Lydia) acc. *ιανατέρα*, if it is not a carelessy written Gr form with *ia-* for *ai-*, a late spelling of *ē-* (Neumann 1987, 36 thinks about a contamination of the Greek word with its Latin counterpart); Gr *ἐνάτη* “die Frau des Bruders des Gatten”, Hom pl. *εινατέρες*, -*έρων*, (late inscr. from Abbaitis, Asia Minor) *ἐνατρί* (Chantraine I, 323) || Lat *ianitrīcēs* “die Ehefrau von Brüdern” (-*īc-* after the nomina agentis in -*īc-*); Szemerény (1977, 92) proposes the assimilation **jena^o* > **jana^o* || Lith *jentė*, gen. *jenters* “Frau des Bruders des Mannes” (g- written by Nesselmann is /j/), Couronian *jentere*, Latvian *ietere* “die Ehefrau von Brudern” (Fraenkel 1962, 193) || OChSl *jetry*, gen. *jetrъve* “des Mannesbruders Frau, Schwägerin”, cf. also R dial. *utróvka* id. < **qtr^o* (Valčáková, ESJS 5, 292–93; generally Pokorný 1959, 506).

There are counterparts with transparent etymologies, e.g. Hittite *antiyat-* “(in-house) daughter’s husband, (socrilocal) son-in-law”, derivable from *anda* “in(to), inside” & *i-* “go, come, walk”, i.e. “he who has gone in” (Gusmani 1962, 78: “derjenige, der [in die Familie der Frau] hineingeht”; Puhvel 1984,), cf. Akkadian *errēbu* “neues Familienglied”, lit. “he has enters” (von Soden 1965, 243) or the corresponding institution of the inclusion of a son-in-law in Turkish *iç-güveylik*, lit. “inside (*iç*) son-in-law (*güvey*)”, and Georgian *časizeba*, consisting of *ča-* “in” & *size-* “son-in-law” (Gamkrelidze & Ivanov 1984, 775). Accepting the same semantic starting point, it is possible to see here a derivative of IE **H₁iei-* “go” with the *n*-extension, attested e.g. in the Hittite iterative (*i)yanna- & (*i)yanniya-, iyana- & iyaniya-* “to go” (Puhvel 1984, 326–28; he also quotes other verbal stems with the same nasal extension expressing an original iterative-‘durative’: *piyan(n)a-* : *pai-* “to give”, *hewaniy-* : **heu-* “to rain”) || OLat 3 pl. *prod-*, *ob-*, *red-* *īnunt* (WH I, 407) || Lith *einū* “I go”, *eīna* “he goes”, *eīname* “we go” etc. vs. *eīti* “to go” || Toch B *yne-* in *ynem* “we go” (cf. Lith !), *yanem* “they go”, the present participle *ynemane* and the derived verbal adjective *ynūca* (Adams 1999, 60–61: **H₁i-ne/o-*). Carruba (1995, 155) derives it from IE **iem-* “(zusammen)halten, paaren” (Pokorný 1959, 505), but without any support of semantic parallels.*

**māter-* = **me₂ter-* “mother”

OI *mātar-*: nom. sg. *mātā*, acc. sg. *mātāram* etc., Pkt *māyā*, pl. *māarō*, Hindi *maiyā*, *mā(i/ū)*, Shina *mā*, pl. *māyārē* etc. (Turner 1966, # 10016); Av *mātar-*: nom. sg. (late) *mātā*, acc. sg. (late) *mātarəm*, voc. (Gatha) *mātarō* etc.

(Hoffmann & Forssmann 1996, 151), OPers *ha-mātar-* “von der selben Mutter stammend”, Khot *māta*, BudSogd *m’th*, Khwar *mād*, MParth (Turfan) *m’d(r)*, ZorPhl *māt / mātar* (**mātā / *mātaram*), Pers *mādar*, Baluči *māt, māθ, mās*, Kurd *māk* < **mādk* (cf. ZorPhl *mātak* “female”), Ormuri *māwā*, Pašto *mor* < **māθrō*, Rošani *mōd*, pl. *mōdērj*, Osset *mad / madæ* (Abaev 1973, 62; Bailey 1979, 328; EWAI II, 345) || Arm *mair*, gen. *maur* id. (= Gr μητρός), *mauru*, gen. *maurui* “Stiefmutter” < **mātruŋiā* || OPhryg nom. *ματαρ*, acc. *ματεραν* (Haas 1966, 101f, 197), gen. *ματερεζ* (Haas 1966, 179 & Georgiev 1977, 218 proposed dat. *ματερεյ*) || Gr μήτηρ, Doric μάτηρ id., already in Myc nom. sg. *ma-te*, dat. sg. *ma-te-re* = *mātrei* (Chantraine II, 698–99; Aura Jorro 1985, 429–30), further μητριά “Stiefmutter”; cf. the theonym Hom. Δημήτηρ, Thessalian Δαμμάτερ || Messap *diva mata* “Dea Mater”, cf. also the theonym *Doimata & Damatira* “Δειμήτηρ”, gen. *damatras*, dat. *Dama[ta]ri*, acc. [D]amatra (Haas 1962, 40, 44–48) || Alb *motēr*, arch. & dial. (Tosk) *motērē* “sister” (Demiraj 1997, 279; Hamp 1996, 140 proposes a starting point **mātr-ā* comparable with early Sl **sesr-ā* “sister”) || Lat *māter, -tris* “Mutter, Amme, Quelle”, *mātrōna* “Ehefrau”, *mātertera* “Mutters Schwester”, Faliscan dat. *mātereī*; Osc gen. sg. *maatreis*, Umb gen. sg. *matrer*, SPic (cippus of Castignano) dat. sg. *matereih* (Eichner 1993, 60), ‘NPic’ *materešo* (Poultney 1979, 58) || Gaul (Larzac) nom. sg. *matir* < *^o*ēr*, acc. sg. *materem*, (Istres) gen. pl. *ματρον*, (Glanum, Saint-Rémy) dat. pl. *ματρεβο* < **mātrībo* < ^o*trb̥o* (Lambert 1994, 61, 86), cf. the river-name *Mātrōna*, today “Marne”; OIr *máthir* “mother”; cf. also OBret *motrep*, Welsh *modryb* ‘Mutterschwester’ (**māt̪k̪ā*) and *modrydaf* ‘Bienenstock’ consisting of “mother” & *bydaf* ‘Nest wilder Bienen’, besides the goddess-name *Modron* < **Mātrōna* || OIc *mōðir*, OEng *mōdor*, OHG *muoter* “mother”; cf. also OEng *mōdrige*, OFris *mōdire*, MLG *mōdder* “Mutters Schwester” < **mōðruŋjōn-* || Lith *mótē*, gen. *móteres* (arch. & dial.), besides *móters*, Žemaitic nom. sg. *móters* “Frau, Weib, Ehefrau”, dial. also “Mutter” (a usual term for “mother” is *mótina* & *mótyna*), Latv *māte*, gen. *mātes* “Mutter”, *pamāte* “Stiefmutter”, OPr *mūti* (Ench 43.32), *muti* (Grunau 69), *mothe* (EV 170) “Mutter”, *pomatre* “Stiefmutter” (EV 180), see Fraenkel 1962, 465 || OChSl *mati*, gen. *matere* “mother” < **mātēr*, gen. **māteres* (Valčáková & Erhart, ESJS 8, 457–458) || Toch A *mācar*, B *mācer*, acc. *mātār* < *^o*ter, ^tr̥i* “mother” (Adams 1999, 447).

**p̥ə₂ter-* “father”

OI *pitár-*: nom. sg. *pitā*, acc. sg. *pitáram* etc., Pkt *piu(a)-*, Hindi *piu*, Sinhalese *piyā* etc. (Turner 1966, # 8179); Av *pitar-*: nom. sg. (Gatha) *ptā* & *tā*, (late) *ptā* & *pita*, acc. sg. (Gatha) *p̥tarōm*, (late) *pitarəm*, dat. sg. (Gatha) *p̥drōi* & *piθrē*, (late) *piθre*, nom. pl. (late) *p̥tarō* etc., OPers nom. sg. *pitā*, gen. sg. *piča* < **piθrah* (Hoffmann & Forssman 1996, 151), Khwar *pic*, Khot *pātar-*: nom. sg. *pāte*, acc. sg. *pātaru*, BudSogd *ptr-*, ManSogd *ptr-*, *ptr-*, MParth (Turfan) *pydr*, ZorPhl *pit / pitar* (**pitā / *pitaram*), Pers *pidar*, Baluči *pit, piθ, pis*, Pašto

plär, Wanetsi *piyār* < *pitáram, Sarikoli *pit*, Šugni *ped*, Osset *fyd / fidæ* (Abaev 1958, 488; Bailey 1979, 237; EWAI II, 128–29) || Arm *hair*, gen. *haur* < *^otēr, *tros || late Phryg πατέρης "Eltern", lit. pl. of *pater- (Haas 1966, 112); cf. also 'Mysian' (Üyük) *patriyiojíš* adj. extension in *-jo- (correctly Phryg, see Neumann 1988, 7; cf. also Katičić 1976, 150, fn. 259 with reference to G. Neumann) || Gr πατίρ, gen. πατρός, cf. εὐ-πάτωρ "ein guter Vater", already in Myc *pa-te* = *paté(r)* (Chantraine II, 863–85; Aura Jorro 1993, 89) || ? Illyr Δετ-πάτυρος· θεός παρά (σ)Τύμφαιοις (Hesych.; Krahe 1955, 44, 54) || Venetic *pater* "father" (Lejeune 1974, §110) || Lat *pater*, gen. *patris*; Osc dat. sg. *paterei*, SPic (cippus of Castignano) dat. sg. *patereih* (Eichner 1993, 60), Marrucinian *patres* "patris" (WH II, 262–64) and 'NPic' (near Castignano) *paterešo* (Poultney 1979, 58); cf. Umb *Iu-pater*, dat. *Iuve-patre* = Lat *Iuppiter* < *(d)iū-piter || Gaul (Plumergat, Morbihan) dat. pl. *atrebo* (Lambert 1994, 53, 62); *ater* in *gutu-ater* "a class of priests" (Hirtius, *Bellum Gallicum* VIII, 38, 3), lit. probably "Vater des Anrufs (an Gott)"; OIr *athir*, gen. *athar*, in Ogam script (Waterford, 7th cent.) ATAR (Korolev 1984, 92, 119) "father" < *^otēr, *tros; maybe also MWelsh *edrydd* m. "Wohnstätte", if originally meant "väterlicher Besitz" (**patrijom* ?), cf. OIr *aithre* f. "väterliche Sippe", Gr πάτηρ & Lat *patria* || Goth *fadar*, OIc *faðir*, OEng *fæder*, OHG *fater* "father" || Toch A *pācar*, B *pācer*, acc. *pātar* < *^oter, *tr̥m̥ (Adams 1999, 365). In Slavic, this etymon probably continues (1) in the derivative **p₂truijo-* > **ptrūvjo-* > **strūjo-* > Serb-ChSl, OR *stryj* etc. "father's brother", cf. OI *pítvya-*, Av *tūriia-* "Vaterbruder", Pašto *trə*, Arm *yauray*, Gr πατριός "Stiefvater", Lat *patruus* "Vaterbruder", OHG *fatureo* id.; (2) in the OR compound *Stribogs* "a god of winds" (*Povest vremennyx let*, AD 980) < **p₂truij-bʰagos* "father-god" (M. Vey, *Voprosy jazykoznanija* 1958/3, 96), formally corresponding to the common IE idiom **dīẽs-p₂tēr* "heaven-god" (Pokorny 1959, 829, 184). Szemerényi (1977, 7) proposes a tempting etymology for Lith *tēvas* "father", Latv *tēvs* "id., old man", OPr (Ench) *tāws*, *taws*, *tāwas*, *tawas* & (EV 169) *towis* "Vater", (EV 176) *thewis* "Vetter" too, based on the compound of **(p)tē* "father" & **ayos* "ancestor" (otherwise Hamp 1978, 7, 3 who assumes the substitution **p₂tr-(o)Hu-* → **(a)t-(o)Hu-* for Baltic and **p₂tr-oHu-* → **(a)t-tr-(o)Hu-* > **stry*° for Slavic).

Both the parents terms, **māter-* & **p₂ter-*, were probably transformed from *Lallwörter* of the type *mama* & *papa*. The difference in quantity between **māter-* and **p₂ter-* could have been explained by identification of the latter with the formation **p₂ter-* "breadwinner", the regular nomen agentis from **pā-* : **p₂-* "to nourish" (Pokorny 1959, 787).

Sihler & Cowgill are undoubtedly right separating the derivational marker *-*p₂ter* here. It remains to determine its function. A promising solution might be found in the Hittite suffix -*ṭtar* forming the abstract nouns of both the

denominal and deverbal origin: *anniyatar* “motherhood” : *anna-*, Luw *ānna-i* “mother”, *antuhsātar* “population” : *antuhsa-* “man, human being”, *pesna-* “man” : *pisnatar-* “manhood”, *palhatar* “width” : *palhi-* “wide”, *taksulatar* “friendship” : *taksul* “friend”, etc. (Kronasser 1966, 292–97). In Luwian the corresponding suffix *-attar* forms the verbal abstracts, e.g. *tarmattar* “Nagelung” : *tarmayi-* “nageln”, *gulzattar* “Zeichnung” : *gulzayi-* “zeichnen”, *karsattar* “parcel” : *kar(a)s-* “to cut” etc. (Starke 1990, 435–525; NB: Oettinger 1986, 13 proposes the segmentation *tarma-ttar* etc.). Starke (1990, 438) mentions that the Hittite *-ātar*-verbal abstracts belong to the factitive verbs in *-ahh-* which represent the denominatives from adjectives in ^o*a-* or ^o*(a)nt-*, e.g. *marsātar* ‘Betrug’ : *marsahh^{hhī}* “verfälschen” : *marṣa-* “falsch”, *idalawātar* “Bosheit” : *idalawahh^{hhī}* “Böses tun” : *idalawant-* “böse”. Starke concludes that the Hittite suffixal conglomerate *-ā-tar* is derivable from pHit **-ahh-tar*. Similarly Oettinger (1986, 13), who reconstructs the starting point **-āH-tar* < ^o**t̪*, implying the regular lenition in Hittite. Probably the same suffix occurs in Lyc *huwe-dr-i* “alle” (Oettinger, l.c.).

Conclusion

The kinship terms in *-ter* are analyzable as the names of the institution of the type “brotherhood”, “daughterhood”, “motherhood” etc.

NB: Recently Carruba (1995) proposed an alternative solution for the kinship terms studied above, assuming their compound character. The second component should have been sought in HierLuw *atari-* “form, figure, image; soul” (after J. Hawkins) and Lyc *atra-/atla-* “person, self” (Melchert 1993a, 8). Comparing these forms with Gr *ἡτόπ* “heart”, Carruba reconstructs **H_iter* (p. 152–53). In spite of the attractivity of Carruba’s idea, especially the semantic aspect of his solution remains rather unconvincing.

Abbreviations

Alb Albanian; Arm Armenian; Av Avestan; Bret Breton; Bud Buddhistic; Ch Church; Corn Cornish; Cun Cuneiform; Eng English; Fris Frisian; G German; Gaul Gaulish; Goth Gothic; Gr Greek; H High; Hier Hieroglyphic; Hitt Hittite; Hom Homeric; I Indic; Ic Icelandic; IE Indo-European; Illyr Illyrian; Ir Irish; Iran Iranian; Khot Khotanese; Khwar Khwarezmian; L Low; Lat Latin; Latv Latvian; Lith Lithuanian; Luw Luwian; Lyc Lycian; M Middle; Man Manichean; Myc Mycenaean; N North; O Old; Osc Oscan; Osset Ossetic; p proto-; Parth Parthian; Pers Persian; Phl Pahlavi; Phryg Phrygian; Pic Picene Pkt Prakrit; Pr Prussian; R Russian; S South; Serb Serbian; Sl Slavic; Sogd Sogdian; Toch Tocharian; Umb Umbrian; Zor Zoroastrian.

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