

CRITICAL NOTES ON APOLLONIUS RHODIUS¹

1. 110

μετὰ δ' ἦλυθεν ἐλδομένοισιν.

μέγα Platt.

Ardizzoni retains μετὰ, but gives no reasons for doing so. Platt's correction is technically easy, but the difficulty is, I feel, imaginary. I take μετέρχομαι as absolute, = 'joined the expedition': so μετακιάθω at 1. 90, 139—not, as LSJ give, 'come next'—and μετέρχομαι μέτειμι often. ἐλδομένοισιν is dative of interest or advantage, as, for example, *Od.* 24. 400 νόστησας ἐελδομένοισιν, 21. 209, 12.438, A.R. 2. 1092, Q.S. 6. 119, 10. 24. μετέρχομαι here does not 'govern' a dative any more than does, for example, νόστησας at *Od.* 24. 400. And μέγα seems to me to be rather oddly placed.

1. 342

μῆ δέ τε πάντες αὐτῇ

σημαίνειν ἐπέτελλον.

-δέ é codd.: correxi.

Platt remarked on 1. 691 'It is really astonishing how long the most glaring bad grammar will escape one's notice.' ἐπιτέλλω takes the dative, and there is no parallel for a construction 'enjoin that one should . . .' with accus. and inf.

At 343 note the *variatio* of *Il.* 21. 445 ὁ δέ σημαίων ἐπέτελλεν at verse-end (Merkel, *Praefatio*, p. xxxviii). More attention should be paid, I think, to this less obvious type of adaptation. A good example is 3. 712 Ἀράς τε στυγεράς καὶ Ἐρινύας (στυγερῇ . . . Ἐρινύς / 704): cf. *Od.* 2. 135 στυγεράς ἀρήσεται ἔρινυς (again at verse-end).

(I now find at Coluth. 259 μιν ἐφεδρήσσειν . . . ἐπέτελλε, but this oddity is hardly decisive.)

1. 369-70

ἵν' εἶ ἀραροίατο γόμοις

δούρατα καὶ ῥοθίοιο βίην ἔχοι ἀντιώσαν.

Mooney translates 'might have strength to resist the surge', and quotes *Il.* 7. 231 for ἀντιάω c. gen. But 'possess strength which opposes the surge' is surely dubious Greek. Apollonius is thinking of *Il.* 16. 213 βίας ἀνέμων ἀλεείνων and βίην singular is the expected *variatio*.²

What Apollonius must mean here is 'withstand the opposing force of the surge'. So Seaton, Ardizzoni, de Mirmont ('soutenir la violence ennemie des eaux'). This is of course an acceptable meaning of ἔχω, but as the text stands (a) ἔχω in this sense is rarely found in the present tenses;³ (b) more importantly, ἔχοι does involve an ambiguity⁴—the meaning is not immediately obvious where one would expect it to be.

¹ I am indebted to Mr. J. Griffin for helpful criticism.

² This Homeric passage, ὥς δ' ὅτε τοίχων ἀνὴρ ἀράρῃ πυκνιοῖσι λιθοῖσι / δώματος ὑψηλοῖο, βίας ἀνέμων ἀλεείνων (note the ἀράρῃ concept here in Apollonius), forms the basis of the simile at 2. 1073 ff., as Mooney remarks. But Apollonius also there draws upon

the variation of this simile at *Il.* 23. 712 ff. Cf. also Q.S. 11. 361 ff.

³ For instances see Ebeling, *Lex. Homer.* s.v. ἔχω, p. 517 (a), 21 ff., LSJ A II 9.

⁴ Whereas at, for example, *Od.* 5. 451 ἔσχε δὲ κύμα (praeced. παῦσεν ἐὼν ῥόον), the meaning is quite clear.

Apollonius may have written *σκέθαι*. ἀραροίατο is aorist optative and there seems to be no compelling need for a switch to the present. ἔχοι would be the normalized form substituted by the scribe.

1. 600

πνοιῇ ἀνέμοιο θέοντες

It is not at all safe to reject πνοιῇ here for πνοιῆς, as Ardizzoni¹ does, comparing *infra* 1013 and numerous cases of πνοιῆς ἀνέμοιο in Homer, to which may be added Q.S. 9. 503. For ἐννύχιοι πνοιῇ ἀνέμοιο θέοντες here cf. 4. 1223-4 ἀνέμοιο / πνοιῇ ἐπειγόμενοι προτέρω θεόν, 2. 168 πνοιῇ . . . ἰθύνοντο. See also 2. 725. An Apollonian *variatio* on a constant Homeric use is expected. For the hiatus see Rzach, 'Der Hiatus bei A.R.', *Wiener Studien* iii (1881), 48.

1. 798 ff.

εὔτε Θόας ἀστοῖσι πατήρ ἐμός ἐμβασίλευε,
τηνίκα †Θρηκίην†, οἷ τ' ἀντία ναιετάουσι,
†δήμου† ἀπορνύμενοι λαοὶ πέρθεσκον ἐπαύλους 800
ἐκ νηῶν, αὐτῇσι δ' ἀπείρονα ληίδα κούραις
δεῦρ' ἄγον. οὐλομένη δὲ θεᾶς πορσύνετο μῆνις
Κύπριδος.

799 Θρηκίην codd. omnes, nisi -ίης Vind. Vrat.; Θρηκίων Hoelzlin, Θρηκίους Fränkel. 800 δήμου vix sanum: Λήμνου Pierson. πέρθεσκον L¹. ἐπαύλους Pierson: ἐναύλους LAPE: ἐπαύλεις S. schol. 799/800 τὰς οἰκίας τῶν Θρακῶν ἐπόρθουν οἱ Λήμνιοι (sed δηλονότι οἱ Λήμνιοι schol. L¹). 802 οὐλομένη Fränkel: οὐλομένης codd. μῆνις Fränkel: μῆτις codd., sed μῆτις L¹.

I do not believe that these lines have been satisfactorily emended. I offer my own solution only tentatively. A number of difficulties, it seems to me, have been entirely glossed over by the editors. Corruption may be more extensive than has been hitherto imagined. I shall first (a) examine the case for the manuscript reading Θρηκίην, and for the conjectures Θρηκίων and Θρηκίους, none of which seems to me to be tenable, and put forward a suggestion which, I believe, makes sense of the passage for the first time. I shall then (b) examine δήμου, which I think corrupt, and finally (c) put forward a case for Pierson's ἐπαύλους.

(a) Θρηκίην is basically the manuscripts' reading: -ίης is probably derived from 795 Θρηκίης. Θρηκίην must be corrupt, since it leaves οἷ τ' ἀντία ναιετάουσι hopelessly hanging in the air. To explain it as Mooney does, 'Thrace, the tribes who dwell opposite', is a desperate resort. One has only to examine Lehr's translation, 'Thraciam, qui . . .', to see this. Merkel attempts to solve the difficulty by a reference to 2. 520-1 λαὸν ἀγέρας / Παρράσιον τοῖ-περ . . . εἰσι. There Fränkel's Παρρασίων is probably right. (He refers to 4. 549-50 λαὸν ἀγέρας / Φαίηκων). -ίων is not an emendation but merely a reinterpretation of -ON. But even if Fränkel is not right, the difference between λαὸν οἷ, 'a people who', where λαὸν and οἷ are indisputably and under all circumstances the same, and Θρηκίην οἷ, where the 'land of Thrace' and the 'people' in it are not *exact* equivalents, is immense. I note also 3. 1186-7, λαὸν . . . ὅσοι, although there ὅσοι makes the expression a very easy one.

Θρηκίην is thus very difficult. But it involves another problem. On what does it depend? Merkel regards it as an accusative of motion, but the example

¹ Anticipated by Stephanus and Wellauer.

which he quotes and the half-dozen which Mooney adds to these¹ do not contain the idea of hostility which Mooney attaches to the phrase. Such a notion of course is not strictly necessary, but there is the added difficulty that phrases involving 'ἀπορνύμαι from X' seem invariably to be composite and not to be involved with a further idea of motion to, whether this be expressed with a preposition or without one. For examples see Ardizzoni's note on this passage and add Pind. *Pyth.* 1. 66, Call. *Dian.* 98, Coluth. 6. Hence I regard the accusative use here as dubious, and in view of the added difficulty of *Θρηκίην* this solution seems most unlikely.

Fränkel writes *Θρηκίους ἐπαύλους οἷ*—so he must take this; τ' cannot of course mean 'and', nor can *λαοὶ οἷ* be taken together, as M. L. West (*C.R.* n.s. xiii [1963], 12) seems to believe—is hardly as defensible as *λαὸν Παρράσιον οἷ*. It is a mistake to suppose that any adjective expressing 'Thracian' can take such a relative clause. It would surely have to depend on what substantive is employed with that adjective. For the expression he compares A. *Pers.* 870 *Θρηκίων ἐπαύλων*, which proves only that the expression is found in Greek (if the text is right there), not that it is correct here.

Hoelzlin conjectured *Θρηκίων*. This is better, since it provides an antecedent for *οἷ*. It cannot, however, be correct. Apollonius uses the adjective *Θρηκίως* on eleven occasions, and never does it mean 'Thracians', = *Θρήκες* or *Θρήκες*. Moreover, there is no example of such a use recorded in Pape's *Eigennamen*, and I know of none.

I conclude therefore that the text is unsound, and that the methods of Hoelzlin and Fränkel are wrong. *Θρηκι*—seems genuine enough. It is difficult to imagine any reason for its wholesale intrusion here, and we do require at this point some reference to 'Thracians'.² What makes *Θρηκι* necessary in my eyes is the expression *Θρηκίην δηοῦντες*, *supra* 614. I shall discuss this important passage below.

Θρηκι then needs something on which to depend. I should suggest *λαῶν* for *λαοὶ* at 800, and read *Θρηκίων* with Hoelzlin. If *λαοὶ* arose from assimilation to *ἀπορνύμενοι*, which seems likely enough, then a corruption to *-ίην* in *Θρηκίων* would naturally follow, especially since Apollonius had written *Θρηκίης* at 795. *Θρηκίων* . . . *λαῶν οἷ* at once gives *οἷ* an antecedent, and the use of *λαός* is Apollonian. Homer would not have said *Θρηκίωι λαοὶ* (cf. LSJ s.v. *λαός ad fin.*), but Apollonius has *λαὸν Παρράσιον* 2. 520–1 (s.v.l.), *λαοὶ* . . . *Δολιόνες* 1. 1058. But is such a corruption likely? Two points, I think, are in its favour:

1. L¹ reads *πέρθεσκειν* at 800. This could of course be explained as a mere dittography coming from the following *ἐναύλους*. But L¹ also reads *μητίς* at 802. From this Fränkel conjectures *μηνίς*, certainly rightly,³ but the *ν* is written over the *ς* of *μητίς* and not over the *τ*. This indicates to me that L¹ originally had *ἄγεν* too—I wonder if it in fact does—and *ἀπορνύμενος*, viz. the scribe was originally at a loss for a subject to the *τηνίκα* clause and wrote *πέρθεσκειν* . . . *ἄγεν* . . . *πορσύνετο μητί*, understanding *Θόας* from the preceding clause. If *λαῶν* were the original he might have found difficulty in extracting *ἀστοὶ*

¹ Mooney's list is inaccurate: 1. 645 text doubtful; 1. 987 doubtful again, see Fränkel; 2. 906 doubtful, though admittedly it makes very little difference here; 3. 42 better with *μυχόν* in 'partial' apposition; 4. 257 *τήν* = *τὴν* ὁδὸν ἦν as Mooney himself says.

² So in the imitation of Quintus (9. 343)

πέρθοντές ποτε γαῖαν ἀρηιφίλων Θρηκίων.

³ There seems to be no 'scheme' at work here. *μηνίς* echoes *χόλος* of 614, which I discuss below. *οὐλομένη* . . . *μηνίς* can be paralleled from *Il.* 1. 1–2. For *χόλος* and *μηνίς* as equivalents in Apollonius see D. A. van Krevelen, *Mnemosyne* s. iv, vi (1953), 53–4.

from the *εὔτε* clause. Further, schol.¹ say on 800 *δηλονότι οἱ Λήμνιοι*. This may explain an original anacoluthon, where *ἄστοι* had to be taken from the *εὔτε* clause to provide a subject for *πέρθεσκον* and *ἄγον*.

2. The reading *Θρηκίων* . . . *λαῶν* expresses exactly what the schol. say, *τὰς ἐπαύλεις τῶν Θρακῶν*, and the paraphrase may be an old one. It might be objected that the word order would be extremely contorted, but it is often so in Apollonius, as, e.g., *supra* 624–6. The same applies to whatever reading is adopted here.

(b) 800 *δήμου* codd. This cannot be right. The explanation generally given by those who keep it is this: ‘“Our people, making forays from their land”: *δῆμος* in its Homeric sense of “land” (which is property of a community)’ Mooney. And so, e.g., Ardizzoni, ‘regione’. The difficulty about this is that in Homer the word is generally thought of in regard to the community, e.g. who rules it, a ‘kingdom’, ‘holding’ (e.g. *Il.* 2. 547); the land expressed (e.g. *Od.* 1. 103); often *πίονα*, i.e. with regard to its inhabitants; most commonly some one person is thought of in reference to the *δῆμος* (e.g. *Il.* 5. 78), or the people of the community are thought of in reference to the *δῆμος* as a whole (e.g. *Od.* 3. 214). This latter passage is cited by Mooney; there the *λαοί* are the same as the *δῆμος*.

As a mere equivalent of *γαίης*, which *δήμου* would have to be here, the word seems linguistically repulsive. Moreover, if, as seems likely, a genitival form of some kind underlies *Θρηκι-*, *δήμου* would cause a hopeless ambiguity. So Merkel, who, with reference to *Θρηκίων -ίης* remarks, ‘ambiguam efficiunt locutionem’.

For *δήμου* Pierson proposed *Λήμνου*. The corruption would be a likely one in itself, *ΛΗΜΝΟΥ—ΔΗΜΟΥ*,¹ but there seems little point in Hypsipyle’s naming *Lemnos* specifically at this juncture. At the same time we do require some word to express the point of departure (as in *Il.* 5. 105, etc.).

Since I read *λαῶν* in 800 I explain *δήμου* as a gloss arising from *λαῶν*, or at least as an intrusion from a paraphrase in the schol. Exactly this has happened at 2. 274, where *ὅπισω* has intruded from *ἔτρεχον ὅπισω* of the schol.² If this assumption is correct, one might write, e.g., *ἐνθεν* here. The phrase is a common one: Hes. *Theog.* 9, *h. Ap.* 29, A.R. 4. 631, Call. *Dian.* 98. For *ἐνθεν* = ‘from the place where I (the speaker) now am’ cf. 3. 1094, 4. 90.

For my reading here, *Θρηκίων οἷ τ’ ἀντία ναιετάουσι* . . . *λαῶν πέρθεσκον*

¹ Fränkel apparently thinks *δήμου* a gloss on *Λήμνου*. He refers to 621 *supra*, of Thoas, *κατὰ δῆμον ἀνασσε*. The schol. on Pind. *Olumpr.* 4. 31 (b) give *Λήμνον*. But this is hardly comparable: (a) it is a reverse corruption; (b) a scholiast in talking of ‘Thoas king of Lemnos’ might be expected to write *Λήμνον* there. At 608 *supra* *Σιντηίδα Λήμνον* *ἱκόντο* Fränkel supposes a similar confusion to that at 621. He reads *νῆσον* for *Λήμνον*, basing this on the note of the schol. *ἐπιθετικῶς Σιντηίς ἢ Λήμνος*. This may be right, but the schol. could mean ‘Lemnos is called S. in terms of an epithet’—they are given to such remarks. Ardizzoni surprisingly says (in app. ad loc.) ‘sed cf. 4. 1759’, where there is no schol. complication.

² *ἐπ’ ἴσω* (vel *ἴσης*) Fränkel. There is perhaps no need in view of this obvious intrusion to stick so closely to the ‘ductus litterarum’. The phrase *ἐπ’ ἴσω* seems unparalleled, and it would not, I think, give the meaning which Fränkel wants, ‘pari velocitate’. It would rather mean ‘pariter’, ‘abreast’, referring to the Boreads, which does not seem entirely suitable. The schol. have *παραπλησίως*, ‘almost equal with them’, and one might guess at, e.g., *σχεδόθεν*: cf. 273 *κατόπισθε*, 274 (e.g. *σχεδόθεν*) with the sequel *τυτθὸν* . . . *μετόπισθεν* 280, *μάλα σχεδόν* 282. For the expression cf. *Il.* 23. 763 ‘*Ὀδυσσεὺς θέεν ἐγγύθεν, αὐτὰρ ὅπισθεν* | *ἔχνη τύπτε πόδεσσι κτλ.*

ἐπαύλους one may compare 1. 613-14 ἀγίνεον ἀντιπέρηθεν (cf. also δεῦρ' ἄγον here) Θρηκίην δηοῦντες. This would correspond with my reading, and such correspondence could be significant, because 1. 611 ff. is a superb *variatio*¹ of the story given here.

- { 611/12 δὴ γὰρ ἀπηνήναντο γυναῖκας . . . ἐχθήραντες.
 { 804/5 δὴ γὰρ κουριδίας μὲν ἀπέστυγον . . . ἀπεσσεύοντο.
 { 612/13 ἔχον δ' ἐπὶ ληιάδεσσι / τρηχὺν ἔρον.
 { 806 ληιάδεσσι . . . παρίανον.
 { 614/5 χόλος αἰνὸς ὄπαζε / Κύπριδος.
 { 802/3 οὐλομένη . . . μῆνις / Κύπριδος [Fränkel].²

(c) 800 ἐπαύλους Pierson.

In Homer we find once ἐπαύλους, 'folds', *Od.* 23. 358.³ There a very small number of manuscripts give ἐν-, see Allen's *app. crit.* The schol. on the present passage give as their first explanation τὰς ἐπαύλεις, τὰς μάνδρας. With this may be compared Eustathius 1950, on the *Odyssey* passage, σταθμούς, αὐλὰς, ἐπαύλεις, and Hesychius s.v., μάνδρας. Now since this meaning is found also in Sophocles (*OT* 1138), and since the derived sense of ἔπαυλοι in the sense of 'homes', σταθμά, is a possible one here (an alternative in the schol.), and is again found in Sophocles (*OC* 669, where see Jebb), and in Aeschylus (*Pers.* 870), it is clearly preferable to read ἐπαύλους with Pierson here. ἐπαύλεις, a prose word, seems to have been introduced into the text of S from the gloss of the schol., probably because the writer of S failed to understand ἐναύλους.

At any rate ἐναύλους, adopted by Fränkel, cannot be right here. The word seems always to retain the basic sense of 'hollow', αὐλός, in something.⁴ In Homer it means the 'bed' of a stream (cf. the extended use in Nonnus, *D.* 2. 652 νησαίους δὲ τένοντας ἀποτμηγέντας ἐναύλων), and then the stream running in that bed. (Cf. Q.S. 2. 472, schol.^b on *Il.* 21. 283 χεიმάρρους διὰ στενοῦ τόπου . . . ποιοῦμενος τὴν ρύσιν, Ebeling, *Lex. Homeric.* s.v. I.)

LSJ give a further sense of 'haunts', especially of divinities, but this translation of ἐναυλοι is highly misleading, as an examination of the nature of these 'haunts' shows. The sense of αὐλός is just as prominent as that of αὐλή. At Hes. *Theog.* 129 they are on mountains, probably caves in which the nymphs resided (cf. Q.S. 14. 83, A.R. 1. 1226 cited below); Eur. *Bacch.* 122 ἐναυλοι of the Curetes = ἀντροῖς *ibid.* 123. The ἐναυλοι mentioned in *h.Ven.* 74, 124 are probably caves on an ὄρος (which is termed σκιερόν), or coverts, as at Eur. *Hel.* 1107 Scaliger, Nonn. *D.* 3. 16. Oppian thrice (*H.* 1. 305, 3. 5, 5. 21) uses the word of fishes, etc., which live in the κοίλῃ αἴλῃ. This is frequent in this sense in Nonnus (*D.* 1. 269, 6. 325, 10. 153, 20. 384, 23. 270, 43. 81). At Eur.

¹ For a discussion of *variatio* in general in Apollonius see Fränkel, *T.A.P.A.* lxxxiii (1952), 144 n. 2.

² Fränkel's ἐκ τε for ἐκ δέ at 804 is not accepted by the latest editor Ardizzoni, but it must be right. The clauses κουριδίας . . . ἀπέστυγον and ἐκ . . . γυναῖκας are not opposed. The αὐτάρ clause takes up the μὲν, and the sentence corresponds to 611 ff., δὴ γὰρ κουριδίας μὲν . . . ἔχον δ' ἐπὶ ληιάδεσσι.

³ We may now add χαρίεντας ἐπαύλους

from P.Oxy. 2494 B (b) = [Hes.] *fr.* 66. 1 M.-W. The sense of 'stalls' is clearly suggested by the context there. The supplement ἐπαύλους is recommended, as Lobel remarks, by Hes. *Theog.* 129 χαρίεντας ἐναύλους (on this see below). But χαρίεντας is an odd epithet of ἐπαύλους, if the accusative case is correct, unless they are so because they belong to Hermes.

⁴ I have amplified the lists given in Stephanus-Dindorf and LSJ, but I am not sure that I have found every case of this word.

HF 371, where shepherds' chalets seem to be referred to, the word may mean grottoes used as shelter (as, apparently, at [Opp.] *C.* 1. 142), or simply 'torrents' in the Homeric sense. Thus there seems to be no authority for taking the word as a mere equivalent of 'steadings', and the sense 'homes' also offered by the schol. here would be impossible.

Finally Apollonius' own use of the word would seem to be fixed by 1. 1226, where the schol. gloss *σπήλαια*.

1. 1176

κακὰ πολλὰ ἐῆ ἡρήσατο γαστρί.

κατὰ Ardizzonei (iam Wellauer, typographico ut vid. errore).

This seems at first sight tempting, but it is wrong. Ardizzonei's arguments for κατὰ are as follows: (a) elsewhere in Apollonius ἀράομαι means 'pray' (159, 886 *supra*); (b) schol.^p has κατηρήσατο; (c) he compares *Il.* 9. 454 πολλὰ κατηρᾶτο.

(a) No weight can be attached to this. At 1. 886 ἀράομαι = 'pray' absolutely, the normal Homeric use; at 1. 159 it means 'pray for' something, which is not Homeric. There seems to be no reason for denying to Apollonius a third, Tragic, use. He has many others. Three occurrences, in fact, barely constitute a basis for an 'usus scribendi'.

(b) What the schol. present is in fact this: προσεῖπεν *L*, κατηρήσατο ἢ προσεῖπεν *P*. A gloss κατηρήσατο on ἀρήσατο, 'curse', is to be expected. And προσεῖπεν, 'pronounced', again indicates a simple ἡρήσατο.

(c) *Il.* 9. 454 proves nothing. And there κατηρᾶτο is absolute. For the use with the dative we have to look elsewhere, *Od.* 19. 330 τῷ δὲ καταρῶνται . . . ἄλγε' ὀπίσσω.

The correct explanation of the line is, I believe, this. Homer often refers to the belly in uncomplimentary terms. See especially *Od.* 17. 473-4 γαστέρος εἵνεκα λυγρῆς, / οὐλομένης, ἥ πολλὰ κάκ' ἀνθρώποισι δίδωσιν, *ibid.* 286-7 (cited by Mooney) γαστέρα . . . / οὐλομένην, ἥ πολλὰ κάκ' ἀνθρώποισι δίδωσιν. Cf. also *Od.* 15. 344-5 ἔνεκ' οὐλομένης γαστροῦ κακὰ κήδε' ἔχουσιν / ἄνδρες. This is a typically Alexandrine sophistication. The roles are reversed: the ἀροτρεὺς here is heaping κακὰ πολλὰ on the γαστήρ which causes κακὰ πολλὰ in Homer.

For the γαστήρ as a bringer of ill cf. also *Od.* 18. 53-4, 7. 216, *A.R.* 2. 233 (s.v.l.).

1. 1252

ἡέ μιν ἄνδρες
μοῦνον ἰόντ' ἐλόχησαν.

ἰόντ' codd.: correxi.

Cf. *Od.* 4. 670 ὄφρα μιν αὐτὸν ἰόντα λοχήσομαι, *ibid.* 14. 181.

1. 1333-4

†περι† γάρ μ' ἄχος †ῆκεν† ἐνισπείν
μῦθον ὑπερφιάλόν τε καὶ ἄσχετον.

1333 περί vel περὶ codd. ῆκεν LSGPE: εἶλεν *A*, v.l. *L*.

HKEN seems clearly to be the reading from which any discussion of this passage must start. περί . . . εἶλεν will make some sense: 'anguish has smitten me in great measure', with περί as, e.g., 2. 20; or even περὶ . . . εἶλεν, see, e.g., *h.Ap.* 461 περὶ φρένας ἕμερος αἰρεῖ. This usage is modelled upon the Homeric one of περιέρχομαι, as at *Od.* 9. 362, cf. *LSJ* s.v. 12. But εἶλεν is ill attested, and looks like an attempt to make sense out of nonsense. If ῆκεν is corrupt, as *I*

think it probably is, what should be entered in the text is not †*εἰλεν*†, as Fränkel, but †*ῆκεν*†. Mooney's *πέρι . . . εἰλκεν* strains the meaning of *εἰλκεν* and, since it is based on the reading *εἰλεν*, is unlikely to be right.

Giangrande (*C.Q.* n.s. xvii [1967], 91 ff.) believes that *ῆκεν* here is from *ῆκω*, and takes the use to be an 'Ionic' coinage. This is, I think, made highly unlikely by the fact that Homer uses *ῆκω* only in the forms *ῆκω* and *ῆκειν*, while Apollonius himself does not employ the word at all.¹ Moreover, *ῆκε(ν)* occurs several times in Homer and several times in Apollonius, and invariably this comes from *ἔημι* and not from *ῆκω*. Nor would the reader of an Epic poet think of it as anything else. Hence I must regard this 'Ionic' coinage as a mere ghost.

According to Giangrande Apollonius is here imitating Aratus (*Phaen.* 473), *περὶ φρένας ἔκετο θαῦμα*, where *περικνέομαι*, he claims, is in tmesis. I doubt, however, if a Greek of Apollonius' time would notice this as particularly 'Aratean'. Aratus' phrase is simply an extension of such expressions as are found in *h.Ap.* 461 mentioned earlier (based, that is, on Homer's *περιέρχομαι*). In fact the *περι* was probably regarded as a preposition or adverb rather than a preverb. For this see also, e.g., *Q.S.* 2. 615 *περὶ φρένας ἄλγος ἰκῆται*.

If Apollonius here did mean to express the sense that Giangrande desiderates, Merkel's conjecture is plainly superior. The latter noted the frequent occurrence of *ἄχος ἰκάνει*, *ἄχος ἔζεται* in Homer, and Apollonius himself has at 3. 1401 the *variatio* *ἄλγος ἰκάνει*. Hence Merkel wrote *περὶ . . . ἰκεν*, from which *ῆκεν* would easily arise by iotacism. None the less, Apollonius does not elsewhere employ this form (from *ἔκω* he has *ἔξεν* and *ἔξον*), and the expression does seem to me to be forced and unnatural, although admittedly *ἐνισπεῖν* as consecutive infinitive is quite comprehensible, as Giangrande remarks.

Better sense is given by Fränkel's *ἐπὶ . . . ῆκεν*, which recognizes *ῆκεν* for what it is, and gives an Homeric use (*Il.* 18. 108, *al.*).² But if the *π* in *περι* is genuine—it may have arisen from *εἶ τι περ*—I suggest as an alternative *παρὰ . . . ῆγεν*. *παρὰ* and *περὶ* are frequently confused, e.g. 2. 1188 *πάρα* PE, *πέρι* LASG, and for *ῆγεν* . . . *ῆκεν* cf. 2. 239. The sense yielded seems the most suitable one here: 'led me astray, so that . . .'. Apollonius imitates the Tragic use of *ἄγω* c. inf. (cf. LSJ s.v. II. 1) at 2. 817, *al.*, and there seems no reason to disbelieve that he would not extend the use of *παράγω* similarly with the use of a consecutive infinitive, employing an obviously choicer mode of expression by means of tmesis. The tmesis would resemble such cases as *Od.* 14. 488–9 *παρὰ μ' ἥπαφε δαίμων / οἰοχίτων' ἔμεναι*.³

2. 65. (62) *τοῦ δ' ἀντίος ἦλυθε Κάστωρ / ἦδ' ἑ . . . Ταλαός.*

(65) *τοῦ δ' αὖτε Ἀρηγός καὶ Ὀρυντος.*

65 τῷ codd.: correxī.

This surely carries *variatio* too far. In 65 we must supply *ἀντίοι ἦλυθον*, not

¹ At 2. 239 Bruck and Wellauer are certainly mistaken in reading *Κλειοπάτρη* *ἔδνοιον ἐμὸν δόμον ῆκεν ἀκούτις*: SG's reading *Κλειοπάτρη* . . . *ῆγον ἀκούτις* is supported by 3. 38 (cited by Fränkel), but still more by 1. 977 (*Κλειτήν*) *θεσπεσίους ἔδνοιον ἀνήγαγεν ἀντιπέρην*. (Cf. also *Il.* 22. 472, 16. 90, *Od.* 6. 159, *A. Pr.* 559, *A.R.* 4. 194.)

² Platt had already hinted at this by a

reference to *Od.* 14. 464, but he kept *πέρι*.

³ LSJ s.v. *παπαφίσκω* group along with *Il.* 14. 360, where *π.* takes the infinitive (*παρήπαφεν εὐνηθῆναι*), *A.R.* 2. 952, where in *παρήπαφεν εὐνηθῆναι / ἰέμενον* (note the line break) the infinitive goes with *ἰέμενον*—a subtle *variatio*. For the infinitival use they might have quoted, e.g., *Q.S.* 1. 645.

ἀμφέδεον from 64, as the parallelism of expression (with *variatio* in ἡδὲ 62—τε καὶ 65) makes clear. In 65 it is better to read τοῦ. τῷ would be an easy corruption since the scribe, in thinking of ἀντίοι ἡλυθον, would automatically normalize into the dative ('less freq. in Homer with dat., but mostly so after Homer' LSJ s.v. 11. a *ad fin.*).

2. 107–8

τοῦ δ' ἄσσον ἰόντος

δεξιτερῇ σκαίῃς ὑπὲρ ὀφρύος ἤλασε χειρί.

107 'exspect. τὸν et ἰόντα' Fränkel.

It is not particularly helpful to refer to 106 *supra*, as Fränkel does, since the fact that Apollonius says τὸν . . . ὑπὸ στέρνοιο πλῆξε there does not make it necessary to assume that he will not employ a *variatio* here. Indeed Apollonius' style leads one to expect this kind of trick. As a genitive absolute when τὸν and ἰόντα would be readily at hand the expression is a strained one (though not without parallel). The papyrus reading has fortunately prevented Fränkel from placing an accusative in the text.

There is no need to take τοῦ . . . ἰόντος as a genitive absolute at all. At 111 *infra* we read οὔτα . . . κατὰ λαπάρην Ταλαίοιο,¹ where 'dealt a wound in the flank of T.' = 'dealt T. a wound in . . .'. This expression is an imitation of the Homeric οὔτησε κατ' ἀσπίδα (*Il.* 11. 434, *al.*), and with the genitive added, e.g. *Il.* 3. 347 βάλεν Ἀτρεΐδαο κατ' ἀσπίδα, *Il.* 5. 305 βάλεν Αἰνείαο κατ' ἰσχίον.

So here 'dealt a blow over the brow of' = 'dealt one a blow over the brow'. The genitive is extended by a participle, but this is surely defensible as a *variatio* on Homer; and such a *variatio* is all the more expected here because Apollonius has said already (102–3 *supra*) ἀνέρα Κάστωρ / ἤλασ' . . . κεφαλῇς ὑπὲρ. The word order is involved, as it often is in Apollonius, but observe what he has done here with the order in general to secure a juxtaposition of adjectives of kindred relationship:

$$\overbrace{\text{δεξιτερῇ} \mid \text{σκαίῃς}} \mid \text{ὑπὲρ ὀφρύος} \mid \text{ἤλασε χειρί.}$$

In view of the Homeric prototype I should not regard the possible objection that a Greek would *naturally* take τοῦ δ' ἄσσον ἰόντος as a genitive absolute as a serious one. One may note further that Homer does not employ this construction with οὔτάω/οὔτάζω, nor with ἐλαύνω.

At 2. 73 another unusual genitive occurs. Fränkel there remarks 'fort. ἰέμενον et κλύδωνα'. Earlier² he has put the case more strongly: 'A genitive absolute is intolerable when a direct object is required; five genitive forms in two lines are ridiculous . . .'.³

There is nothing 'ridiculous' about five genitives if they are fulfilling a proper function. The genitives *are* different both in form (-οιο twice; -ος twice; -ου) and in function.

First, the construction of 70–1. Three are possible: (a) ὑπὸ in tmesis with ἀλύσκει (so schol.^p); (b) ὑπὸ as preposition, 'from under': cf., e.g., 1. 10; (c) ὑπὸ τυτθόν together, comparing ἐπὶ τυτθόν,³ with ἀλύσκω c. gen. as in Tragedy.

¹ This is a good example of conscious *variatio*. In Apollonius' line there is a shift from Homer's constant οὔτα κατὰ λαπάρην at the beginning of the verse (*Il.* 6. 64, 14. 447, 517).

² *T.A.P.A.* lxxxiii (1952), 148 n. 15.

³ Ardigzoni (on 1. 1359) wrongly changes ἐπὶ τυτθόν (to ἔτι) at 1. 1359 and 4. 1529. Cf. Pfeiffer on Call. *fr.* 1. 5, though his interpretation of the Callimachean passage seems questionable.

Of these (a) is plainly superior. (b) causes a violent hyperbaton, and (c) produces a phrase *ὑπὸ τυτθόν* which is not attested elsewhere and seems unlikely in itself. Since therefore *ὑπαλύσκω* does not seem to be found with the genitive, we are faced with a genitive absolute. (*ὑπαλύσκω* is used absolutely at *Scutum* 304.) And as such I believe it to be defensible and indeed necessary.

κλύδων and *κῦμα* are not exact equivalents: *κλύδων* once in Homer, *Od.* 12. 420–1, ἀπὸ τοίχους / λῶσε κλύδων τρόπιος (viz. the surge jumping up) τὴν δὲ ψιλὴν φέρε κῦμα. Here the *κλύδων* and the *κῦμα* are plainly contrasted. Compare Hesychius' definition of the former as *κυμάτων σφοδρότης*. Here the run of the lines would suggest to me: 'the wave rises against the ship—the ship just escapes from under (the wave), while (all this time) the surge keeps rushing on . . .'. The genitives are odd, but Apollonius, in thinking of the *Odyssey* passage, wants to keep the *κῦμα* and the *κλύδων* distinct.¹

2. 144 καὶ δὴ τις ἔπος μετὰ τοῖον ἔειπεν.
τοῖσιν codd.: correxi.

For the confusion see 4. 738, ἔπος δ' ἐπὶ τοῖον ἔειπεν: τοῖον SG, τοῖσιν LAPE (impossible in the context). My objections to τοῖσιν here are (a) *τις*² in such expressions is equivalent to *πᾶς τις* and τοῖσιν is not particularly appropriate with this;³ (b) a dative is found in such expressions (but not with *τις*) at, e.g., 2. 773, 3. 522, 4. 189, but τοῖον is the norm in this type of speech opening. Add to the three quoted 2. 1276 τοῖον μετὰ μῦθον ἔειπεν, 3. 544 τοῖον ἔπος ἀγόρευσεν, 1. 277 τοῖον ἔπος φάτο, 1. 699 = 3. 1078 τοῖον ἔπος ἡῦδα, 2. 10 = 2. 684 = 3. 24 τοῖον ἔκφατο μῦθον, 3. 259 = 974 τοῖον φάτο μῦθον, 3. 726 τοῖον δ' ἐπὶ μῦθον ἔειπεν, with its *variatio* 4. 1098 ἔπος δ' ἐπὶ τοῖον ἔειπεν. For its use in later Epic see Q.S. 1. 211, 3. 559, *passim*, Coluth. 138, Nonn. *D.* 1. 92, 20. 136, 44. 133; for the combination *τις . . . τοῖον* Q.S. 4. 19, 10. 470, 13. 14.

2. 224 ἔκποθεν ἀφράστοιο καταΐσσουσαι † ὀλέθρου†

The examples cited by Mooney in support of Koechly's ὀλέθροι (3. 777, 1135, 4. 63, 242) are not really comparable, and the bare use of the word 'destroyers' does not strike one as Apollonian or as Epic. Perhaps Hemsterhuis's ὀλέθρον, which he translated 'ex improviso undecunque perniciem inferentes', has been unjustly ignored, since Apollonius notoriously makes normally intransitive verbs transitive (G. Boesch, *De A.R. Locutione*, pp. 8 ff.), and there is some case for preserving the manuscript reading ἐπαΐσσω at 1. 1254 (see Ardizzoni), although Ruhnken's ἐπισσεΐων seems to me to be certain. One might suggest alternatively, supposing -αΐσσουσαι to have come from 187 *supra*, καταγιζουσαι ὀλέθρον. For the metaphor cf. *infra* 267 ff.

2. 867 περιπρὸ γὰρ εὖ ἐκέκαστο
ιθύνειν.

This is Fränkel's note: 'fort. περ. δὲ νηῶν ἐκέκ. Cf. *Od.* 3. 282 sq. [ἐκαίνυτο . . . /

¹ In this simile Apollonius puts to a new use *Il.* 15. 381 ff., ὥς τε μέγα κῦμα θαλάσσης εὐρυπόροιο / νηὸς ὑπὲρ τοίχων καταβήσεται, where the comparison is with the Trojans' climbing of the wall.

² The expression here recalls the well-known formulaic line ὦδε δὲ τις εἶπεσκεν

ἰδὼν ἐς πλησίον ἄλλον (cf. Leaf on *Il.* 2. 271).

³ Mr. Griffin calls to my attention Theoc. 13. 51, where, however, as he himself says, the text is doubtful. And that passage seems a good deal easier than the present one with its bare *τις . . . τοῖσιν*.

νῆα κυβερνήσαι], *Arg. Orph.* 730 νῆα κατιθύνων, scil. Ancaeus recens electus (728 κεκάσθαι).¹

This suggestion¹ is based on a faulty method. Critics are fortunate in possessing a number of external aids for the poem (for it is clear that here Fränkel is laying particular stress on the parallel *Orph. Arg.* passage), but such external aids must be used with discretion. Here Fränkel is prepared to ignore altogether Apollonius' own 'usus scribendi'. *ἰθύνειν* is absolute, 'be, act as a pilot': cf. 897 *infra*, *ἰθύνειν* λεληγμένοι, where it is quite unnecessary to extract νῆα from νῆα θοὴν ἄξειν 895 (itself a *variatio* of *Il.* 23. 317 νῆα θοὴν ἰθύνει). Further, Apollonius twice employs *ἰθυντήρ* without qualification in the sense of 'pilot' (4. 209, 1260, schol. L⁸P ad loc. κυβερνήτης). And the imitator in *Orph. Arg.* 730, if he chose to use κατιθύνω, would hardly omit νῆα. Cf. also *Od.* 5. 255, varied by Apollonius at 1. 562.

2. 889 τῶ καὶ ὁμοῦ φθιμένοισι κακὴν προτιόσσομαι ἄτην.

'textus susp.' Fränkel.

This comment, I suspect, is a legacy of the mishandling of the passage by the commentators and translators. Fränkel gives no suggestion in his note, and it would in fact be hard to pin down a corruption here. Seaton translates 'Wherefore I forebode an evil doom for us even as for the dead', i.e. 'as dire as that of the dead' Mooney, and so Lehrs, Coleridge, etc.

What Apollonius means is: 'I foresee a κακὴ ἄτη (for us), along with those who have perished',² i.e. along with Idmon and Tiphys who have recently died. Jason is alluding to the death of his comrades: καταυτόθι δ' ἄμμε καλύψει 892 echoes 856 *supra*, αἰθι μινυνθαδὴ πάτρης ἐκάς κτλ. The schol. seem to take it thus: διὸ καὶ σὺν τοῖς ἀπολλυμένοις καὶ αὐτὸς προορώμαι τὴν ἀπώλειαν.³

2. 1251/2 τὸν μὲν †ἐπ' ἀκροτάτης† ἴδον ἔσπερον ὀξεί ροίζω
νῆος ὑπερπτάμενον νεφέων σχεδόν.

1251: ἀπ' Naber ἑσπέρου Madvig et Platt.

I do not believe that on present evidence this line can be emended with certainty, but I should like to point out some difficulties in the current treatment and to suggest some other possibilities which have been ignored.

Platt's objections to 1251 are sound. He points out that ἐπ' ἀκροτάτης cannot mean 'over the ship', and that ἔσπερον in the sense of 'at evening', defended by Mooney with a reference to κνέφας at 2. 407, is impossible. See *JP* xxxiii (1914), 23 ff.

Platt conjectured (as had Madvig before him) ἑσπέρου, and this is received into the text by Fränkel. But this creates a problem no less serious. There seems to be no parallel at all for such a use of ἐπί with the genitive (cf. LSJ s.v. A II 1. a). If Platt is on the right lines it would be better to read ὑπ' ἀκροτάτην

¹ As for the contents of the emendation proposed, it is certainly not entirely safe to introduce into Apollonius' text another example of the curious form νηὶν found at 1. 1358 (νέα La Roche).

² This may pick up the previous speech (881 ff.): 'They have encountered death—but there are pilots left among us.' Jason: 'These pilots seem more dejected than I am, hence we will meet with as great an ἄτη

as did the dead heroes.' Not a very cogent link, but this set of speeches is very odd in any case.

³ Admittedly this is obscure too, but what does seem to emerge is that the schol. take φθιμένοισι as a reference to Idmon and Tiphys. It looks as if what the schol. are saying here is that just as those two foresaw ἄτη, so too did Jason, whereas in fact it was only Idmon who was said to do this (1. 140).

... ἔσπερον, cf. LSJ s.v. *ὑπό* C III 2, and *ὑφ'* ἔσπερα = *ποτὶ ἔσπερα* at *A.P.* 5. 304.¹ The sense given, 'just before evening', is perhaps satisfactory, since night proper does not seem to be reached until *ἐννύχιοι* at 1260. Apollonius has said between the two *δηρὸν δ' οὐ μετέπειτα* 1256, and at 1259, when the bird returns, the heroes *εἰσενόησαν* ('felt the presence of it?'), rather than saw distinctly.

Even this could be wide of the mark, since, firstly, *ἄκρος* in the superlative seems never to be used with reference to time² (neither Passow nor LSJ s.v. *ἄκρος* provides any examples), and secondly, it ignores another possibility which seems to have been overlooked by the commentators. *ἔσπερον* could be adjectival. It is so at *h.Hom.* 19. 14, and it is exactly this rare type of usage which Apollonius loves to imitate. For the expression *τὸν . . . ἴδον ἔσπερον* cf., e.g., *Call. fr.* 75. 12 Pf. *δευελυήν τήν δ' εἶλε κακὸς χλός*, and Gow's note on *Theoc.* 13. 33. If *ἔσπερον* is adjectival then one might expect something like *ὑπὲρ πάσης*, 'over the whole length of' (cf. 2. 583). But I believe that it is safer at the moment to obelize.

3. 652 650
ἐκ δὲ πάλιν κίεν ἔνδοθεν, ἅψ τ' ἀλέεινεν
εἴσω, τηῦσιν δὲ πόδες φέρον ἔνθα καὶ ἔνθα.
ἦτοι ὄτ' ἰθὺσειεν, ἔρυκέ μιν ἔνδοθεν αἰδώς.

There is a good deal of repetition in this highly graphic passage, but the occurrence of *ἔνδοθεν* here after *ἔνδοθεν* 650 seems suspect. Vian is the only editor to make a note on the word. He says it means (a) 'in her apartment'; = *ἔνδοθι*, or rather (b) 'within (her heart)', comparing *ἔντοσθεν* 724. For (a) one might compare the slightly different use at 250 *supra*, *μιν ἔρυκε δόμῳ*. But (b) is altogether more likely, cf. 1. 274 *δέδεταί κέαρ ἔνδοθεν ἄτη*, LSJ s.v. II 2, who oddly omit *Od.* 4. 293, 467. Add also *Q.S.* 3. 504, 5. 171, 7. 537, 12. 534.

Yet however we take *ἔνδοθεν* here, it seems ugly after its literal use 'from indoors' at 650. If it has been interpolated here, perhaps *ἐν φρεσίν*, sim.,³ was the original. At any rate we must keep *ἔνδοθεν* at 650, since there there is a plain contrast with *εἴσω*.

3. 706-8 707
νειόθι δ' ἀμφοτέρησι περισέχτο γούνατα χερσίν,
σὺν δὲ κάρη κόλποις περικάββαλεν. ἔνθ' ἔλεεινόν
ἄμφω ἐπ' ἀλλήλῃσι θέσαν γόνον.
707 περικάββαλεν SGPE: -ον LA (ex ἔλεεινόν vel γόνον 708).

Fränkel and Vian read -ον with slighter manuscript authority, but (a) it seems clear that *σὺν* (= simul) expresses the act of the person who *περισέχτο*. It is not until the next clause, *ἐνθ' ἔλεεινόν κτλ.*, that both (*ἄμφω*) are represented as acting simultaneously; (b) if A kneels to B, how can both A and B place head upon bosom? This point is surely obvious: Wellauer simply wrote 'Singular(is), quem sensus postulat'.

Fränkel terms the compound a 'vox obscurior'. Here it would have to mean 'threw down her head upon', 'dans (sur)' Vian. This is very odd. At 3. 156 the compound *περικάτθετο*⁴ is unusual, but in this *περι-* means

¹ The schol. say *παρὰ τὴν ἑσπέραν*. This use of *παρά* would express *ὑπό* here.

² It is conjectured by Fränkel at 1. 516 (*προέκδοσις*). Of course this objection is hardly a disastrous one.

³ *ἔρυκε γὰρ ἄσπετος αἰδώς* Quintus (9. 144), who often imitates Apollonius closely. But *ἄσπετος αἰδώς* does not strike one as Apollonian.

⁴ *κατατίθεμαι* est impropre: il signifie

'around' and is clear enough. At 3. 543 *περικάππεσεν*, *περι-* means 'impaled on', a common use from Homer down. So also at 2. 831 *περικάππεσε* = 'fall to the ground impaled upon'. (It is hard to see why Fränkel prints the compound *divisim* here and not at 3. 543.) In view of the proximity of *περίσχετο* here, I think it highly likely that what Apollonius wrote was *ἐνικάββαλεν*. For the compound cf. 1. 1239. To the objection that Apollonius uses *περικατα-* compounds frequently I should reply with *ἐνικαταθνήσκω* 2. 834, *ἐνικατατίθεται* 3. 282, *ἐνικαταπίπτω* 3. 655. And *ἐνι-* surely gives the sense required.

For the preposition *ἐνί* cf., e.g., 3. 1308 *ἐν χθονὶ κάββαλεν*; for the confusion see also 3. 973 *ἐνιπεπτηνῖαν* LAPE, *περι-* SG.

3. 1032-4

1032 *βόθρον ὀρύξασθαι περιηγέα, τῷ δ' ἐπὶ θῆλυν*

1033 *ἄρνειὸν σφάζειν καὶ ἀδαίετον ὠμοθετῆσαι,*

1034 *αὐτῷ πυρκαϊὴν εὖ νήσας ἐπὶ βόθρῳ.*

1032 ἐπὶ scripsi: ἐνι codd. (ex 1031, 1207?).

The description given in this passage is resumed at 1207-9:

1207 *πήχυιον δ' ἄρ' ἔπειτα πέδῳ ἐνὶ βόθρον ὀρύξας,*

1208 *νήσεν σχίζας, ἐπὶ δ' ἄρνειοῦ τάμε λαμόν,*

1209 *αὐτόν τ' εὖ καθύπερθε τανύσσατο.*

I leave aside for the moment discussion of a similar process in Homer.

Apollonius' description is obscure, but what is happening, I think, is this: Jason must dig a pit (1032): *over* the pit he must cut a ewe's throat and let the blood flow in (1032/3), and also sacrifice the entire ewe (1033) after (*νήσας*, aorist) building a pyre on the actual edge of the pit (1034, = *ἀμφ' αὐτῷ* Homer, *v. infra*). Then he does dig the pit (1207), heap up billets (1208), cut the ewe's throat *over* (the pit), 1208, and lay the actual body of the ewe (*αὐτόν*) 'above' (on the pyre: *ἐπὶ τὸ πῦρ* schol.). At 1209-10 he kindles a fire under the pyre, and at 1210 he pours libations over the pyre.

It seems unlikely from the description given that the pyre is *in* the pit. Since the ewe goes on the pyre (1209), and the pyre is on the edge of the pit (1034), then *ἐνί* at 1032 is wrong. As the description at 1032 of the cutting of the throat is echoed by 1208 *ἐπὶ δ' ἄρνειοῦ κτλ.*, *ἐπὶ* must be read at 1032. To take *ἐνί* of motion, '(blood) goes into the pit' (cf. Homer *infra*) is impossible in view of *ἀδαίετον ὠμοθετῆσαι*. This seems right as opposed to Fränkel's suggestion *ἐνι* at 1034. One must be right, since the *αὐτῷ . . . ἐπὶ βόθρῳ* looks clearly resumptive.

The Homeric original is to be found at *Od.* 11. 24-50. Editors generally quote *Od.* 10. 517-30, which is made up almost entirely of the passage in 11. But in the latter a number of details are added which are relevant to Apollonius here.

Od. 11. 35-6: *τὰ δὲ μῆλα λαβὼν ἀπεδειροτόμῃσα / ἐς βόθρον,² ῥέε δ' αἶμα*

normalement "déposer": cf. *Od.* 21. 264' Vian; 'expect. *περὶ οἷ θέτο*' Fränkel. 'Improper' it may be, but it is right: Q.S. 6. 196 *μεγάλους περικάτθετο γυῖους / τεύχεα*: id. 12. 303 *ὦμοισι κατ' ἄμβροτα θήκατο τεύχη*.

¹ *αὐτήν* Fränkel: but if Apollonius here

calls the ewe *ἄρνειός* simply and not *θήλυσ ἄρνειός*, can he really be expected to write anything but *αὐτόν*?

² For this expression cf. *Il.* 23. 148, *Ov. Met.* 7. 245, *Paus.* 9. 39.

κελαινεφές. The sprinkling of blood brings up the *ψυχὰι νεκύων*. The blood in Apollonius must have the same function. The pyre strictly has nothing to do with it. It is added by Apollonius from the Homer passage, where (a) Odysseus promises on his return home to heap up a pyre with *ἔσθλα*; (b) after the rising of the dead, Odysseus' comrades slay the sheep, and are told *κατακῆαι* them (while calling upon Hades and Persephone, *ἐπαυῆ Περσεφονείῃ*, perhaps glossed by Apollonius with *δεινὴ θεός* at 1213).

The libations in Homer are poured *ἀμφ' αὐτῷ* (scil. *βόθρῳ*), along the edge of the pit; in Apollonius the libations are poured over the actual pyre standing on the edge of the pit.

Apollonius' technique of *variatio* from his model is interesting in other respects. He scatters the details given in the single Homeric passage over a wider stretch of the poem. The libation list in Homer (27 ff.), *μελίκρητον* then wine then water,¹ is given as *μελίκρητον* alone in Apollonius. At 1199 Argos is said to bring milk; at 1036 honey is mentioned. These form the *μιγάδας λειβάς* of 1210, and perhaps Apollonius is pointing out that he took *μελίκρητον*² to be a mixture of honey and milk (cf. Vian on 1036). Apollonius postpones till the later passage the reference to the size of the pit, 1207 *πήχυνον*, Homer *ὅσον τε πυγούσιον*. And, as Vian notes, he seems to interpret Homer's *ἔνθα καὶ ἔνθα* as *περιηγέα* there.³ In Homer Odysseus says *ἐμὲ δὲ χλωρὸν δέος ἦρει*; so later in Apollonius, 1221, *Αἰσονίδην δ' ἦτοι μὲν ἔλεν δέος*. At the end of *Od.* 11 the hero admits to making haste back to his comrades: *αὐτίκ' ἔπειτ' ἐπὶ νῆα κιών κτλ.* So in Apollonius, 1222–3, but already alluded to as early as 1041.

Other details are illuminating. Anything black or dark, as is well known, is naturally associated with the dead. At *Od.* 11. 32–3 an *ὄν . . . παμμέλαν'* is mentioned. Apollonius chooses to focus attention on the clothing of the hero: 1031 *ἐνὶ φάρεσι κυανέουσιν*, 1204–5 *φᾶρος . . . κυάνεον*. In Homer Odysseus wears only *χλαῖνάν τε χιτῶνά τε* (10. 542). So Medea invokes Hecate *σὺν ὀρφναίοις φάρεσσιν* 862. Apollonius' treatment of darkness in this scene is particularly impressive. At the end of the Hecate episode the light of day returns, with the elaborate lines 1223–4 *ἦδη δὲ φῶς νιφθέντος ὕπερθεν / Κανκάσου ἡριγενὲς ἥως βάλεν ἀντέλλουσα*. This breaks in at mid-line, and is strikingly contrasted with the normal 'formulaic' use at the beginning of a passage.

These passages afford an instructive comparison in that they show Apollonius' readiness to adapt an Homeric situation of similar nature, the summoning of the *ψυχὰι* there, the rousing of Hecate here. His technique of *variatio*,

¹ The libation-list in *Od.* 11. 27 ff. At A.R. 3. 222 ff. editors point out for *κρήναι πίσιμες* *Od.* 5. 70. From this passage Apollonius borrows other details (*Od.* 69—Ap. 221, *Od.* 73—Ap. 222). For the fountains running with milk-wine-oil-water they instance *Il.* 22. 147 ff., the cold Scamander. But Apollonius is also drawing on the *χοή* passage of *Od.* 11. 27 ff. and putting it to a new use.

² Eustathius (1688. 22) says that the ancients took *μελίκρητον* in Homer as 'milk and honey', but that later it was understood as 'honey and water'.

At 2. 1272 there appears to be a libation of honey and wine: *οἶνον ἀκηρασίῳ μελισταγᾶς χέει λειβάς*. The schol. there give for

μελ. γλυκείας, ἡδείας, and most translators follow them (LSJ 'sweet as dropped honey'). Linguistically this seems unlikely. Because wine is *ἀκηράσιος* does not mean that it cannot be accompanied by honey. The phrase probably means *λειβάς οἶνου καὶ μέλιτος σταζόντος*. Cf. *αἵματοσταγῆς, αἵμοσταγῆς, νεκταροσταγῆς*, etc. Perhaps the schol. are here influenced by Homer's *οἶνος μελιηδῆς, μελίφρων*, or even by a reminiscence of *Od.* 9. 205 (*οἶνον*) *ἥδὲν ἀκηράσιον*.

For varieties of offerings see Platnauer on Eur. *IT* 162, Broadhead on A. *Pers.* 607–10, and *Od.* 11. 27 ff. mentioned above.

³ Schol. BQV on *Od.* loc. cit. gloss *ἔνθα καὶ ἔνθα* with *εἰς πλάτος καὶ εἰς μήκος*.

especially in spreading out details so as to make the borrowings less obtrusive, is marked.

3. 1368 τόν ρ' ἀνὰ †χεῖρα† λαβών, μάλα τηλόθεν ἔμβαλε μέσσοις.

Fränkel is certainly right in sensing corruption here.

Gillies says that ἀνά means 'up on to', and compares Homer's ἀνὰ στόμα ἔχειν. This is obviously, as is ἀνὰ θυμὸν ἔχειν, quite different. He would have done better to quote such Homeric uses as these (LSJ give no indication of such a sense): *Il.* 10. 466 θῆκεν ἀνὰ μυρίκην, 'up on to', 18. 278 στησόμεθ' ἄμ' ὑπὸ γούνοισι.

Vian explains similarly: "dans la main", avec idée de mouvement vers le haut'. For this he compares Eur. *Ion* 1455, but there the text is dubious, cf. Owen ad loc., Lloyd-Jones, *C.R.* n.s. xiii (1963), 157.

But, even granted that ἀνά could bear this sense, there remains this very serious difficulty: one would expect ἀνὰ . . . λαβών, which certainly looks like a case of tmesis, to mean 'take up, lift up', as, e.g., τόξα, ὄπλα, sim. (cf. LSJ s.v. ἀναλαμβάνω). One would further expect that what is being 'lifted up' is not Jason's hand but the stone (cf. Homer below).

The detail of *ease* in lifting heavy objects is found twice in Homer, *Il.* 5. 304, 12. 448, and Fränkel would read ῥεῖα. Since the manuscripts offer *XEIPA* it is plainly better to read χεῖρῖ, as he proposes in the *apparatus*. Cf. *Il.* 5. 302 λάβε χεῖρῖ = *Il.* 20. 285, Virg. *Aen.* 12.899 'manu correptum torquebat in hostem'.

4. 41-2 θυρέων ὑπόκειξαν ὀχῆες
ὠκείαις ἄψορροι ἀναθρόσκοντες ἀοιδαῖς.

'The bolts of the doors gave way, springing back swiftly before her incantations.'

LSJ's interpretation is grotesque: s.v. ὠκός I 2, 'of sound, *shrill*, ἀοιδαί, of the creaking of door-hinges'. Apart from the translation of ὠκείαις as ὀξείαις (which Spitzner in fact conjectured here), where are the 'door-hinges'? Their interpretation of ἀοιδή, on the other hand (cf. s.v. ὠδή), is correct: '*spell, incantation*, A.R. 4. 42, 59'. Cf. the schol. here, ταῖς διὰ φαρμάκων ἐπωδαῖς, and at 59, ἐπωδαῖς. Apollonius seems to have been the first to use the simple ἀοιδή for ἐπαοιδή (Homer, etc.), but Sophocles had used ἀοιδός = ἐπωδός, *Trach.* 1000, where see Jebb.

Fränkel obelizes ὠκείαις, but this must be wrong, as the Homeric passage which Apollonius is following shows:

Od. 21. 47 ἐν δὲ κληῖδ' ἦκε, θυρέων δ' ἀνέκοπτεν ὀχῆας
ibid. 50 πετάσθησαν δέ οἱ ὦκα.

Apollonius here is thinking of the effortless ease with which Penelope opened the doors in Homer, and he applies the situation to the spontaneous opening of doors before the power of a sorceress. The language is similar in both passages: ἀναθρόσκω here corresponds to ἀνακόπτω in Homer, 'push back'.¹ To express the notion of speed (ὦκα) in *Od.* 21. 50 Apollonius chooses to attach an epithet to ἀοιδαῖς, where ὠκείαις governs not ἀοιδαῖς exclusively—the notion of fast or hurried incantations is not a particularly happy one²—but the sentence in general. ὠκείαις in essence is equivalent to an adverb.

¹ See Gow on Theoc. 24. 49. He does not, however, mention ἀναθρόσκω here.

² Cf. Erbse, *Gnomon* xxxv (1963), 23.

This interpretation is confirmed by another passage in Apollonius, 3. 1318 *θοῇ συνάρασσε κορώνη*, which is modelled again on *Od.* 21. 46. There *θοῇ* is undoubtedly, as Vian notes, equivalent to an adverb *θοῶς*. See his note and the v.l. at *Od.* 24. 46 which he mentions.

4. 151-3

*μήκυνε δὲ μυρία κύκλα,
οἶον ὅτε βληχροῖσι κυλινδόμενον πελάγεσσιν
κῦμα μέλαν κωφόν τε καὶ ἄβρομον.*

152 *κυλινδόμενον* SGPE: -νος LA; οἶον τε et -νος coniecit Fränkel.
PE (? propter haplog. *κυMAMEλαν*); πέλει vel πέλεν Damsté.

153 μέλαν omisit

κυλινδόμενον . . . μέλαν is essentially the reading handed down: -ος LA would easily arise from a continuation of sense, viz. ὅγ' from 149. Damsté¹ felt the want of a main verb and proposed either πέλει or πέλεν. But the ellipse of a main verb in simile introductions is widespread, e.g. with ὅτε, see LSJ s.v. II. 1 (ὡς δ' ὅτε), Goodwin *MT* 485, Pind. *Olymp.* 6. 2, where Gildersleeve remarks: 'the ellipsis was hardly felt'. So here the general notion of the 'unfolding' wave can easily be gathered from 150-1. And perhaps, as Mr. Griffin remarks, he was thinking here in particular of *Il.* 2. 394 ὡς ὅτε κύμα κτλ. Wilamowitz² at any rate found nothing wrong with this ellipse.

οἶον ὅτε introducing a simile is not Homeric: only twice in Apollonius, here and 1062-5 *infra*, where there is a main verb. But Apollonius uses ὥστε three times in similes, and on each occasion there is a different construction—indicative, subjunctive, ellipse.³ The rarity of the form tells very much against Fränkel's alteration here. It is also difficult to imagine precisely what meaning he attaches to his suggestion.

Perhaps Damsté felt that μέλαν is awkwardly placed. But, in spite of the translators, κωφόν and ἄβρομον are quite clearly adverbs, and μέλαν cannot be dismissed on this count. In reality μέλαν is an integral part of the simile, and again Apollonius' Homeric learning is at play. It appears to have eluded the editors. Apollonius' model for this simile is *Il.* 14. 16 ff.

*ὡς δ' ὅτε πορφύρῃ πέλαγος μέγα κύματι κωφῶ,
ὀσσόμενον λιγέων ἀνέμων λαυψηρὰ κέλευθα
αὐτῶς, οὐδ' ἄρα τε προκυλίνδεται οὐδετέρωσσε,
πρὶν τινα κεκριμένον καταβήμεναι ἐκ Διὸς οὔρον,
ὡς ὁ γέρων ὠρμαίνει.*

Some details are changed, but Apollonius is here comparing the unfolding of the serpent's coils to a κύμα κωφόν. The process is elucidated by schol. BL ad Hom. loc. cit. They mention μελαίνεσθαι of water not yet ὑπαφρον: 'the Attics call this κολόκυμα, the Aeolians σκώληξ.' It seems clear that Apollonius knew of this. What I take to be happening is this. The song of Medea causes the serpent to act as it does at 149 ff. The storm which causes the groundswell here (cf. Leaf on *Il.* 14. 16) is still at a distance, and in a sense the song here is a mere preliminary. What will have devastating effects on the serpent is the second process, the application of the narcotic. So here the serpent's unfolding is a mere ripple: ἀλλὰ καὶ ἔμπης / ὕψου . . . κεφαλὴν . . . αἰέρας κτλ. (153-4). The final sweep has yet to be made.

¹ *Adversaria ad A.R. Argonautica*, p. 52.

² *Hell. Dicht.* ii, p. 251.

³ For variation in general in simile-introductions see Carpecken, *T.Cl.S.* xii (1952), 63 ff.

For Apollonius' idea of the *κολόκυμα* here compare the Suda's gloss *κολόκυμα· κωφὸν κύμα*, and for the process see Bekk. *Anecd.* 62 (cited by Neil on Ar. *Eq.* 692) *σκώληξ· ἡ κωφή τῶν κυμάτων ἐπανάστασις*. The schol. on Homer knew that *μελαίνεσθαι* was associated with this. It is clear that Apollonius knew it too.

4. 1038 ὕμμε δὲ καὶ πάτρην καὶ δώματα ναιέμεν αὖτις
ἦνυσσα.

ὕμμι codd.: correxi.

ὕμμι: 'for you I have brought it about that you should live again in . . .'. This is not very elegant, and there seems to be no precise parallel for the construction. For ὕμμε see Soph. *OT* 720; for the corruption 1. 660.

4. 1462 ἔκριθεν ἄλλυδις ἄλλος ἀναίξας ἐρείεινεν.
ἀναίξας scripsi: ἐπαίξας codd.

But 'rushed at' what? ἐπαίξας cannot mean 'sped away' Mooney, 'started up' Coleridge, 'profectus' Lehrs. Nor is there any parallel for a meaning 'rushing to the search'. ἐπ- came from ἐπηλίνδηντ' in the next line; and ἐπαίξας is f.l. for ἀναίξας at *Il.* 24. 440.

I append some briefer notes:

1. 280. The compound, as Giangrande remarks in *C.R.* n.s. xiii (1963), 154, may be right. It cannot however be defended by explaining it as = ἀφέμεν καὶ μεθέμεν (Ardizzoni). This misses the point of Fränkel's objection altogether. Another possibility (αὐτίχ' ἀπαξ or αὐτίκα πως Fränkel, αὐτίκ' ἄρα Giangrande) is αὐτίκ' ἄφαρ: cf. *Il.* 23. 593. Something strong seems required (αὐτίκα νῦν *Od.* 18. 203 *in re simili*).

1. 638. In spite of 3. 811, Call. *Lav. Pall.* 84 (cf. also *h.Dem.* 282), an imperfect, as Erbse says in *Gnomon* xxxv (1963), 27, does seem preferable: cf. A.R. 4. 959–60. If the rhythm is defensible, an improvement on ἔσχοντο (Meineke–Fränkel) would be εἴχοντο, which gives a Homeric usage: cf. *Od.* 295, *Il.* 22. 409.

1. 1091. παρασχεδόν is universally taken as temporal by the editors and translators, but the Homeric passage which Apollonius is imitating shows clearly that it is not: *Il.* 10. 157 ff. τὸν παραστὰς ἀνέγειρε . . . λάξ ποδι κινήσας. Cf. also *Od.* 10. 172 ff.

2. 955. The string of genitives seems ugly: ἀγανοί?

2. 1189. In spite of such uses as 2. 749, Q.S. 14. 504, κακόν here is intolerably weak. Perhaps κακήν, which would give a contrast with Jason's preceding words, a contrast which is found at 2. 1126 ff., 3. 340 ff. For κείνην (contemptuous) see 3. 320.

3. 1400. Vian actually places Morel's κατημόνουσι χαμάζε in the text, but Hes. *fr.* 96. 86 Rz. is hardly decisive in the matter. A good argument for not accepting it is this: Homer prefers χαμάζε to ἔραζε, but in Apollonius the reverse is the case. χαμάζε occurs once, 4. 216 φύλλα χ. . . πέσεν (from *Il.* 6. 147, probably also a *variatio* of Hes. *Op.* 421), but ἔραζε six times, always at verse-end.

4. 1311. ἐν? Cf. Call. *Jov.* 16, Hom. *Od.* 7. 296, A.R. 3. 876 (ἐν Fränkel, whom Vian rightly follows, for ἐφ' codd.). ἐφ' ὕδασιν (ναίειν, sim.), is common, e.g. 1. 36, Τρίτωνος ἐφ' ὕδασιν Call. *fr.* 37. 1 Pf., where, however, the ἐφ' is properly used.