

ON THE *ORESTES* OF EURIPIDES*

I cite manuscripts from my own collations. Information about most of these manuscripts, and explanation of the symbols by which I designate them, may be found in A. Turyn, *The Byzantine Manuscript Tradition of the Tragedies of Euripides* (Urbana, 1953), K. Matthiessen, *Studien zur Textüberlieferung der Euripideischen Hekabe* (Heidelberg, 1974), and D. J. Mastronarde and J. M. Bremer, *The Textual Tradition of Euripides' Phoinissai* (Berkeley, 1982).¹ I shall discuss the affiliations and the relative value of these manuscripts on a later occasion. For the present no knowledge of these matters is needed. I refer to modern editions by the names of their editors: Wecklein = N. Wecklein (Leipzig, 1890), Wecklein (1906) = N. Wecklein (Leipzig and Berlin, 1906), Di Benedetto = V. Di Benedetto (Florence, 1965), Biehl = W. Biehl (Leipzig, Teubner, 1975), Willink = C. W. Willink (Oxford, 1986, 1989² [with Addendis Addenda]), West = M. L. West (Warminster, Aris and Phillips, 1987). *Studies* refers to my *Studies on the Text of Euripides* (Oxford, 1981).

304–5

εἰ γὰρ προλείψεις μ' ἢ προσεδρίαί νοσον
κτῆσσι τιν', οἰχόμεεθα.

Orestes has urged Electra to attend to her personal welfare, by taking sleep, food, and a bath. 'For, if you desert me or fall sick, I am done for.' 'Impossible,' replies Electra (307 οὐκ ἔστι). 'I shall choose to live and die with you.'

Paley (followed by Wecklein, Murray and Biehl) was right to delete μ'. He compared *Hec.* 438 οἱ γ' ὡς, προλείπω, λύεται δέ μου μέλη. Di Benedetto, Willink, and West disagree. Willink argues that μ' is required by 'the logic of El.'s reply' – 'οὐκ ἔστι: sc. ὅπως προλείψω σε ... El. cannot guarantee that she will not "sicken" (or "faint")'; but she can and does assert her will to live' But, if οὐκ ἔστι alludes to the εἰ-clause, it cannot allude only to the first of the two verbs in it (as Willink's 'sc. ὅπως προλείψω σε' implies that it does). It must refer to both parts of the clause: so that Electra will still be denying that she will fall sick. Further, προλείψεις μ' would not naturally mean 'abandon me by dying', but rather 'abandon me by departing' (West's 'give out on me' equally postulates an unparalleled sense for the transitive verb). No support for Willink's or West's interpretation is afforded by *Alc.* 386 ἀπωλόμην ἄρ', εἰ με δὴ λείψεις, γύναι, since both characters have already spoken of their imminent physical separation, which will occur when Alcestis departs for the underworld. Similarly, *IA* 1466 μὴ με προλίπηις refers to physical separation. Finally, the natural sequel to Orestes' insistence that Electra should take sleep, food, and a bath is an expression of concern that otherwise she may collapse.

If we look more closely at Electra's reply (307ff.), we find a more satisfactory explanation of her initial οὐκ ἔστι. These words allude not (or, not only) to the εἰ-clause but to Orestes' earlier proposals for her welfare (301ff.), proposals whose motive is given in the εἰ-clause. οὐκ ἔστι is followed, in explanatory asyndeton, by a

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¹ Many of these manuscripts are listed, and their symbols explained, at the head of my text of *Hecuba* (OCT i.334–5).

statement that her choice is to live or die with Orestes (cὺν σοὶ καὶ θανεῖν αἰρήσομαι|καὶ ζῆν). The alternatives amount to the same thing (ἔχει γὰρ ταῦτόν), since life without Orestes is no life (ἦν δὲ κατθανῆς, |γυνή τί δράσω; πῶς μόνη σωθήσομαι, |ἀνάδελφος ἀπάτωρ ἄφιλος;). The first alternative (to die, if Orestes dies) provides a motive for her rejection of his proposals for her welfare (301ff.). The second (to live, if Orestes lives) provides a motive for accepting them. She solves the conflict by deferring to his authority (310–11 εἰ δὲ σοὶ δοκεῖ, |δρᾶν χρὴ τὰδ').

Willink himself quotes the best parallel for the interpolated μ': Alc. 391 προλείπεις L: προλείπεις μ' BOVP. Here are other examples of interpolated pronouns in the manuscripts of *Orestes*: 153 μετὰδος <μ> ZTp, μ- <μοι> Zc; 169 <νιν> ἔδοξα B^{2m}B³AdAnAt<K>MsXXaXb (~ K^e); 227 ὅταν <μ> codd.; 262 μεθήσω <ε> Aa; 337 τίς <ε> Pr; 449 πράσσουσιν <ῆμιν> Aa(Mn)Pr²RfRwSZmZu (⁸¹B^{2/3}GK¹R²XaXbZ⁷ZcT); 507 δέ <ε> Cr (~ Cr^e); 719 κάκιςτε <κύ> H; 768 τάλας <ἐγώ> F; 802 φίλος <σοι> MnS; 1072 ζῆν <με> FSagB; 1193 χρὴ <ε> MnMsRS; 1245 θανεῖν <ε> Pr²; 1248 <ὅν> πότνια JT; 1607 <μ> ἀνδάνουσιν AaMnPRfSZZcZmT, ἀνδάνουσι <μ> G, -ειν <μ> M².

409–10

Με. οἶδ' ἄς ἔλεξας, ὀνομάσαι δ' οὐ βούλομαι.

Ορ. σεμναὶ γάρ· εὐπαιδευτα δ' ἀποτρέπου λέγειν.

The imperative ἀποτρέπου is impossible, although it is accepted by Wecklein, Biehl, and West ('Turn to politer matters'). Musgrave's ἀποτρέπημι was accepted by Porson and others, and might be held to derive support from (a) Σ^{mbc} 142.14–15 εὐπαιδευτῶς δὲ ποιεῖς ὀνομάζειν αὐτὰς 'Ερινύας παραιτούμενος ('You act sensibly in declining ...') and from (b) ἀποτρέπει, which is reported from a few late manuscripts.² But I doubt if we should repose much confidence in the scholiast's paraphrase (Σ^{mbvc} 142.16 interprets ἀποτρέπου), and I repose none at all in the integrity of those late manuscripts. Hermann's ἀπετρέπου is accepted by Di Benedetto and by Willink. But West justifiably objects that an aorist, not an imperfect, would be needed.

Musgrave's present tense may be right. But a past is preferable, and so, taking the lead from West, I propose ἀπετράπου. For the aorist, in the sense in which it is used here, see Thuc. 1.76.2 τοῦ μὴ πλέον ἔχειν ἀπετράπετο, Pl. *Euth.* 14b–c ἀλλὰ γὰρ οὐ πρόθυμός με εἰ διδάξει – δηλὸς εἶ. καὶ γὰρ νῦν ἐπειδὴ ἐπ' αὐτῷ ἦστα ἀπετράπου.

544–57

Ορ. ὦ γέρον, ἐγὼ τοι πρὸς σέ δειμαίνω λέγειν,
ὅπου σε μέλλω σὴν τε λυπήσειν φρένα. 545
ἐγὼ δ' ἀνόςιος εἰμι μητέρα κτανών,
ὄσιος δέ γ' ἕτερον ὄνομα, τιμωρῶν πατρί.
ἀπελθέτω δὴ τοῖς λόγοισιν ἐκποδῶν
τὸ γῆρας ἡμῖν τὸ σόν, ὃ μ' ἐκπλήσσει λόγου,
καὶ καθ' ὁδὸν εἰμι· νῦν δέ σὴν ταρβῶ τρίχα. 550
τί χρὴν με δράσαι; δύο γὰρ ἀντίθεσ δυοῖν
πατὴρ μὲν ἐφύτευσέν με, σὴ δ' ἔτικτε παῖς,
τὸ σπέρμ' ἄρουρα παραλαβοῦς' ἄλλον πάρα·
ἄνευ δέ πατρὸς τέκνον οὐκ εἴη ποτ' ἄν.
ἐλογισάμην οὖν τῷ γένους ἀρχηγέτι 555
μᾶλλον μ' ἀμύναι τῆς ὑποστάτης τροφάς.
ἢ σὴ δὲ θυγάτηρ – μητέρ' αἰδοῦμαι λέγειν – κτλ.

² It is reported by Wecklein and Biehl from the lost Thessalonicensis (16th cent.), on which see P. N. Pappageorgiou, *Ἀθηνῆαιον* 10 (1881), 286–309, Turyn 151–2, Mastronarde–Bremer 172–3. It was also probably the original reading (later corrected) of J (Cambridge, University Library, Nn 3. 13 [15th cent.]), on which see Turyn 206–8, Matthiessen 50.

Orestes says that he is afraid of speaking to Tyndareos, lest he annoy him (544–5). He begins to justify his past conduct (546–7), but stops abruptly and expresses the wish that respect for Tyndareos' old age may not inhibit him from speaking (548–50). He returns abruptly to his self-justification (551ff.). There are two features here which disturb us: (a) two different reasons are offered why Orestes may be inhibited from speaking, and (b) the second reason interrupts the argument.

Removal of 548–50 (Orestes' second reason), once proposed and the proposal later disowned by Nauck, would rid us of both disturbing features. But, so far as concerns sense and diction, the lines are faultless. Not without fault, however, is 545 (Orestes' first reason), with its vacuous collocation *ce ... cḡn te φρένα*. Musgrave proposed (and some, including Willink, have accepted) *γε* for *ce* and *τι* for *τε* (for *τι* see *Ph.* 383 *μη τι cḡn δάκω φρένα*). In fact, *γε* is the reading of AtMn^{uv}Pr^{vp}S^{vp}ZZc (~Mn^c) and of some manuscripts of the *Lexicon Vindobonense*,³ and Sa has *γε cè*. If the line is to stay, these changes must be accepted.⁴ Paley deleted the line, suggesting that the interpolator had borrowed from the rejoinder of Tyndareos in 608 (*οὔτω δ' ἀμείβημι μ' ὥστε μ' ἀλγῆσαι φρένα*). Deletion has the merit of removing a superfluous reason for Orestes' inhibition. But it leaves the interruption untouched.

The interruption was eliminated by Hartung (1849) and independently by Kirchhoff (1855), who placed 548–50 before 546. This transposition is accepted by Paley, Wecklein, West, and others. It incidentally relieves us of the need for Hermann's *ἐγὼ δ'* in 546, since *ἐγὼ δ'* may appropriately open the speech of self-justification (Denniston, *Greek Particles*, pp. 170–1; add *Med.* 526).

But a further problem now looms. Orestes continues 'What was I to do? Oppose two things against two others' (551). What are these two pairs of opposites? A first pair appears readily to present itself: the fatherhood of Agamemnon and the motherhood of Clytemnestra, conveniently opposed by *μὲν* and *δέ* (552). The second pair is harder to find.

According to West, 'the first thing is the father's claim on his son's loyalty; it is set against the mother's, and found to be superior. The second point is Clytaemnestra's adultery, which lessened her claims further, and this is set against the unholiness of matricide'. Adultery is mentioned, and so is the unholiness of matricide. But I do not see where, or how, the one is 'set against' the other. According to Di Benedetto (whose answer, though formulated differently, is similar to West's), the opposition is between two facts and the two responses of Orestes to these facts. The facts are (i) that Clytemnestra's part in procreation was the lesser, as the mere receptacle of the father's seed (553) and (ii) that Clytemnestra committed adultery (557ff.); and Orestes' responses are that, in consequence, (i) he has favoured his father (555–6) and (ii) he has killed his mother (562). We may wonder why, after the formality of *δύο γὰρ ἀντίθεα δυνόν*, Euripides did not oppose facts and responses with more formal precision. According to Paley, Orestes sets two arguments, (i) that Clytemnestra 'was

³ This *Lexicon*, compiled c. 1300 (Mastronarde–Bremer 72), was edited by Nauck from Vind. 169. But it exists in at least two other manuscripts, Vat. 12 and Vat. 22 (F. Benedetti, *BPENC* 14 [1966], 85–92, A. Colonna, *ibid.* 19 [1971], 13–16). Vind. 169 and Vat. 12 have *γε*, Vat. 22 has *cè*.

⁴ It would not be sufficient to accept only *τι* for *τε*, leaving *ce ... cḡn φρένα* as an example of the *καθ' ὅλον καὶ μέρος* construction (for which see Kühner–Gerth 1.289–90, Schwyzler 2.81, E. A. Hahn, *TAPA* 85 [1954], 219–36, R. Renehan, *Studies in Greek Texts* [1976], p. 60, my note on *Phaethon* 90ff., Barrett on *Hi.* 571–4, Bond on *Herc.* 162, Friis Johansen and Whittle on A. *Su.* 379, 515), since *cḡn* after *ce* would be otiose (contrast Hom. *Il.* 1.362 = 18.73, 3.442, 6.355, *Od.* 18.331 = 391, A. *Su.* 379, *Eum.* 88, S. *El.* 147, *Ant.* 319, E. *Tr.* 408, *Or.* 608).

not a parent in the same sense as the father' and (ii) that 'she was a faithless wife', in opposition to two arguments already used by Tyndareos, that Orestes slew (i) 'a mother' and (ii) 'a daughter of his'. In which case, the first opposition will be implied in 553, the second in 557ff. Again, this leaves too much work for the listener to do. If Orestes says 'oppose two things against two others', we expect to be told clearly what the two sets of opposites are and not invited to infer one of these sets from a statement (a none too clear one at that) of what the other set is. According to Willink, 'on one side of the "double antithesis" is the *father* who has *sown the seed*; on the other, the *mother* ... who has *received it like a sown field*'.⁵ This has the virtue of simplicity. But we may wonder whether there really are two sets of opposites here, or rather a single set of opposites in 552, which are elaborated in 553. Finally, Wilamowitz⁶ finds the first pair of opposites in 546–7 ('das eine hat er vorher genannt, er ist Muttermörder und Rächer des Vaters'), the second in 552ff. ('das andere ist, der Vater steht ihm näher (physiologisch, wie es bei Aischylos stand), die Mutter war eine Ehebrecherin'). But it is, in the full sense of the word, preposterous, that δύο γὰρ ἀντίθεα δυοῖν should be preceded by the first set of opposites and followed by the second. It is small wonder that Nauck⁷ flatly denied that two sets of opposites are to be found here at all, and altered δυοῖν to λόγῳ, a conjecture accepted by Wecklein.

But Wilamowitz was, after all, half right. Lines 546–7 do give a ready-made pair of opposites. We have seen that, where they stand, they are out of place. And the place for them is not after 550 (Hartung and Kirchhoff) but after 553. 'What was I to do?' asks Orestes. And he invites Tyndareos to 'set two things against two others'. The first opposition is between father and mother, his joint parents, who shared in the act of procreation (552–3). The second is between the unholiness of killing a mother and the holiness of avenging a father (546–7). Commentators have gone astray because they have supposed that Orestes, in saying δύο γὰρ ἀντίθεα δυοῖν, is intent on claiming for himself two superior arguments with which to counter two inferior ones. On the contrary, what he expresses here is a dilemma (τί χρῆν με δρᾶσαι;). And he faced this dilemma because (γάρ) the claims of father and mother were evenly balanced, and the holiness of vengeance was finely poised against the unholiness of matricide.

Lines 554–6 will appear to tell against this interpretation. And so they do, if they are genuine. But they are not. Nauck deleted 554, and his deletion is commended by Paley, Wecklein, Reeve,⁸ and Willink, and it ought not to be controversial.⁹ Lines 555–6 harbour a problem which has not been solved by emendation, the unsupportable construction ἐλογισάμην ... (μ') ἀμῦναι (μ' is omitted by MAD AnFJLPXXaXb). Willink reviews the emendations and offers one of his own, which I find unconvincing. Three further difficulties, one of metre, two of language, have received less attention than they deserve.

(i) 'The metre of a verse commencing with ἐλογισάμην is unusual' (Paley).¹⁰ More precisely, the word-shape ◡◡◡◡- in the first metron is used by Euripides only to

⁵ The same explanation is offered by Weil: 'Si la leçon est bonne, chacune des deux phrases qui suivent est divisée par le poète en deux idées, le sujet et l'attribut: πατήρ et ἐφύτευσέν με, σὴ παῖς et ἔτικτε.' Possibly something like this was in the mind of the scholiast (Σ^{mve} δύο πράγματα δύο πράγμασιν ἀντίθεα, τῷ πατρὶ τὸ σπέρμα, τῇ μητρὶ τὴν ἀρουραν).

⁶ *Hermes* 59 (1924), 257 = *Kl. Schr.* 4 (1962), p. 351.

⁷ *Mém. Acad. Impér. des Sciences de St.-Petersbourg*, sér. vii. 1.12 (1859), 44.

⁸ *GRBS* 14 (1973), 155–6.

⁹ Some credit should go to I. F. Facius (1778), who, according to Beck (I have not seen Facius' edition), 'monet, hunc versum glossematis speciem habere, eiici tamen non vult'. Biehl's defence (*Textprobleme in Euripides Orestes* [1955], p. 31 and commentary [1965] *ad loc.*) is ineffectual.

¹⁰ See also D. L. Page, *Actors' Interpolations in Greek Tragedy* (1934), p. 53.

accommodate proper names.¹¹ There is, indeed, a parallel at *IA* 1408 τὸ θεομαχεῖν, which is followed immediately by a line beginning ἐξελογίω (also unique, except in proper names),¹² but neither line is Euripidean.¹³ The unusual metre is, in itself, no sufficient argument against authenticity. But, if other anomalies exist, it may be thrown into the balance.

(ii) 'It is hard to defend ὑποστήναι τροφάς, "to supply nurture"' (Paley).¹⁴ Willink claims that the verb has here 'a force intermediate between active and passive', and compares *Su.* 188–9 πόλις δὲ σὴ|μόνη δύναιτ' ἂν τόνδ' ὑποστήναι πόνον. But there is no reason to give that verb anything other than its usual 'passive' force. Athens would be unable to 'support/endure' (not 'undertake') the labour imposed on it, a direct response to 185 πῶς ταῖς Ἀθήναις τόνδε προστάτσεις πόνον;. The expression ὑποστήναι τροφάς would properly be used of a person subjected to force-feeding. I find no comfort in Di Benedetto's notion that Orestes uses this expression in order to highlight 'la cattiva disposizione della madre'.

(iii) The second linguistic anomaly, unnoticed by Paley, is γένους ἀρχηγέτη. Di Benedetto is alert to the nuances of these words. 'In tragedia di solito ... con ἀρχηγέτης si indica il re di una città. Qui Euripide sembra innovare l'uso della parola, poiché, in nesso con γένους, ἀρχηγέτης è qui il fondatore di una famiglia.' West translates 'the author of my birth', Willink 'the initiator of (my) γένος', and then interprets γένος as 'birth'. But the words mean what Di Benedetto said they mean, 'the founder of a/my family'; and that, in this context, is persiflage.

Paley deleted 555–6 (as well as 554, already deleted by Nauck). The passage now runs as follows:

<i>Op.</i> ὦ γέρον, ἐγὼ τοι πρὸς σέ δειμαίνω λέγειν	
[ὅπου σε μέλλω σὴν τε λυπήσειν φρένα].	545
ἀπελθέτω δὲ τοῖς λόγοισιν ἐκποδῶν	548
τὸ γήρας ἡμῖν τὸ σόν, ὃ μ' ἐκπλήσσει λόγου,	549
καὶ καθ' ὁδὸν εἴμι· νῦν δὲ σὴν ταρβῶ τρίχα.	550
τί χρὴν με δράσαι; δύο γὰρ ἀντίθετε δυοῖν·	
πατὴρ μὲν ἐφύτευσέν με, σὴ δ' ἔτικτε παῖς,	
τὸ σπέρμ' ἄρουρα παραλαβοῦς' ἄλλου πάρα.	
[ἄνευ δὲ πατρὸς τέκνον οὐκ εἴη ποτ' ἄν.	
ἐλογισάμην οὖν τῷ γένους ἀρχηγέτη	555
μᾶλλον μ' ἀμύναι τῆς ὑποστάσεως τροφάς.]	556
ἐγὼ δ' ἀνοσίδης εἴμι μητέρα κτανῶν,	546
ὅσιος δέ γ' ἕτερον ὄνομα, τιμωρῶν πατρί.	547
ἢ σὴ δὲ θυγάτηρ – μητέρ' αἰδοῦμαι λέγειν – κτλ.	557

The argument is now logical and complete. (Prooemium) Orestes fears to address Tyndareos (544). If respect for Tyndareos' old age does not inhibit him, he will proceed (548–550a). But the fact is that he stands in awe of Tyndareos' grey hair (550b).¹⁵ (Speech proper) What was he to do? (551a). The scales were evenly poised, with two counterbalanced claims (551 b). On the one side was a father, on the other a mother, on the one side the unholiness of matricide, on the other the holiness of vengeance (552–3, 546–7).

¹¹ See M. Cropp and G. Fick, *BICS* Suppl. 43 (1985), 34. There is only one parallel in Aeschylus (*ScT* 272 πεδιονόμοις), if we discount [A.] *PV* 817 ἐπαναδιπλάζει (ἐπανδ- Dindorf). And S. fr. 725.2 Radt ἀνυμνεαυοῦντες must be considered dubious. ¹² Cropp and Fick 35.

¹³ See Page, op. cit. 188. Willink cites 597 ἡ οὐκ ἀξιοχρεῶς as another anomalous line-beginning. There are, in fact, parallels for this (*IT* 1284, *Hel.* 493, *Archel.* fr. 257.2 [fr. 31.2 Austin]; Cropp and Fick 42). But we might treat it as ἀξιοχρεῶς (for the synzesis see *Studies* 93, 120). ¹⁴ Hence Blaydes' παρασχούσης (*Adversaria critica in Eur.* [1901], p. 398).

¹⁵ Observe how νῦν δὲ σὴν ταρβῶ τρίχα rounds off the prooemium with an appropriate recapitulation of δειμαίνω in 544. In 548 I have accepted Paley's δέ for δη: see Willink.

What tipped the scales was not the Aeschylean notion that the father is the only true parent ([554–6]), but the adultery of Clytemnestra, which (once 554–6 are deleted) is mentioned next. By her adultery Clytemnestra forfeited the claim to which her motherhood entitled her. Orestes in 557 pointedly calls her 'your daughter' and expressly disdains to call her 'mother'.

The interpolator distorted the argument. Line 552 expresses the reciprocal rôle of father and mother in procreation, even if line 553 may imply that the mother's rôle is secondary to the father's. Line 553 suggested to the interpolator the more radical notion, which he remembered from A. *Eum.* 658–61, that the father is the only true parent. The interpolated 554 (ἀνευ δὲ πατρός τέκνον οὐκ εἶη ποτ' ἄν) is modelled on *Eum.* 663 (πατὴρ μὲν ἄν γένιαιτ' [Wieseler: γένοιτ' codd.] ἀνευ μητρός), just as τροφάς in 556 may have been suggested by τροφός in *Eum.* 659. Lines 554–6 were designed to develop the imagined implications of 553, and were written to follow directly after 553. Lines 546–7, which originally followed 553, were extruded, then became inserted before 548, so breaking the connection between 544 and 548–50, which explain 544. And so 544 received a new explanation in the shape of 545.

807–12

Χο. ὁ μέγας ὄλβος ἃ τ' ἀρετὰ
μέγα φρονούς' ἄν' Ἑλλάδα καὶ
παρὰ Σιμωντίοις ὄχετοῖς
πάλιν ἀνῆλθ' ἐξ εὐτυχίας Ἀτρεΐδαις 810
πάλαι παλαιᾶς ἀπὸ κυμφορᾶς δόμων,
ὅποτε κτλ.

Willink's defence of *πάλαι* (811) is rightly impugned by West,¹⁶ whose *παλαιπαλαιᾶς* is a compound for which tragedy provides no parallel. Sense and Euripidean style are well served by Hartung's *πάλιν*. It offers a species of anadiplosis or epanalepsis, in which a word, standing at the beginning of a colon, is repeated for rhetorical emphasis at the beginning of a new colon: as *Med.* 978–9 δέξεται νύμφα χρυσέων ἀναδεδεμένων | δέξεται δύστανος ἄταν, *Hec.* 1095–6 γυναῖκες ὤλεσάν με, | γυναῖκες αἰχμαλωτίδες, *Su.* 271–2 βᾶθι, τάλαν', ἱερῶν δαπέδων ἀπο Περσεφονείας, | βᾶθι ..., 623 εἰδείης ἄν φίλων | εἰδείης ἄν τύχας, 1138–9 βεβάσιν, οὐκέτ' εἰσὶν οἴμοι πάτερ | βεβάσιν, *Tr.* 201–2 νέατον τοκέων δώματα λεύσσω, | νέατον, *Ph.* 1060–1 γενοίμεθ' ὡδὲ ματέρες | γενοίμεθ' εὐτεκνοί, *Or.* 1545 τέλος ἔχει δαίμων βροτοῖς | τέλος ὅπαι θέλῃ, *Ba.* 534–6 ἔτι ναι τὰν βοτρυνώδη | Διονύσου χάριν οἶνας | ἔτι κοὶ τοῦ Βρομίου μελῆσει.

1039–41

Ορ. ἄλις τὸ μητρός αἶμ' ἔχω· σὲ δ' οὐ κτενῶ,
ἀλλ' αὐτόχειρι θνήσχει' ὅττω βούλῃ τρόπωι.
Ηλ. ἔσται τὰδ'· οὐδὲν σοῦ ἰξίφους λελεύσομαι.

1039 αἶμ'· ἐγὼ σὲ δ' XXaXbXcXdXeXhAdTh, αἶμ'· ἐγὼ δέ σ' XfXgDrJMs 1041 σοῦ (uel cou) | κοὶ FSa (~F^{2s}), κοὶ Aa (~Aa⁹) ἰξίφος VMnRRf (~V²Rf^{1c}) λελήσομαι V (~V²)

The variants in 1039 are confined to the so-called 'Moschopouleian' manuscripts. The most familiar of these are XXaXb on which Turyn based his reconstruction of a supposed edition by Moschopoulos. The symbols of some of the others will be familiar to those who are familiar with the works of Matthiessen and Masstronarde-Bremer.¹⁷ The remaining symbols need explanation. Xc is Cantabrigiensis,

¹⁶ CQ n.s. 37 (1987), 286–7.

¹⁷ See above, p. 100.

Corpus Christi College 403,¹⁸ Xd is Par. Coislin. 169,¹⁹ XeXfXgXh are Par. gr. 2795, 2801, 2802, 2803,²⁰ Th is the lost Thessalonicensis,²¹ and Dr is a lost manuscript from Dresden.²² What relationships exist among these manuscripts and between them and Moschopoulos, and what is the probability that they may offer a true reading by inheritance rather than by conjecture, are questions to which I defer an answer until a later occasion. For the present it suffices to have given some indication of the diffusion of these variants.

Few have taken the variants seriously. Porson and Willink are among those few. Even though ἄλις τὸ μητρὸς αἶμα' ἔχω is acceptable (*Su.* 818 ἔχεις ἔχεις :: πημάτων γ' ἄλις βάρος, *El.* 73–4 ἄλις δ' ἔχεις|τάξωθεν ἔργα, but not *Or.* 240, where τοῦ not τὸ is right), ἄλις τὸ μητρὸς αἶμα' is commended not only by *IT* 1007–8 οὐκ ἂν γενοίμην σοῦ τε καὶ μητρὸς φονεύς|ἄλις τὸ κείνης αἶμα (cited by Porson and Willink) but also by the recurrence of the same structure (ἄλις followed by nominative subject, with ellipse of ἔστι) at *Alc.* 673, *Med.* 558, *Hec.* 394, [*Herc.*] 1339, *Ion* 1508, *Rh.* 870, *S. Tr.* 332. Whether the 'Moschopouleian' ἐγὼ is a happy accident or a genuine inheritance, I leave undecided for now, secure at all events in the belief, which I shall support with arguments elsewhere, that it is not a Byzantine conjecture.²³ Between the variants ἐγὼ cὲ δ' and ἐγὼ δέ c' we must choose the latter. Willink prefers a modification by F. W. Schmidt,²⁴ ἐγὼ cέ γ' ('σε strongly emphasized, opp. μητρός'). Yet the opposition which we want is not between cέ and μητρός but between ἐγὼ and (in the next line) 'you': 'The pollution incurred by the shedding of my mother's blood is enough (for me): I shall not kill you – you must die by your own hand.' The δέ is not adversative but connective and most nearly resembles the instances cited by Denniston where 'the writer is content with merely adding one idea to another, without stressing the logical connexion between the two, which he leaves to be supplied'.²⁵

Line 1041 harbours a problem which has generally eluded editors. "I shall not at all be left behind by your sword" ... the point is probably both temporal and qualitative' (Willink). But σοῦ ξίφους rings oddly.²⁶ Contrast the more straightforward 1085 ἡ πολὺ λέλειψαι τῶν ἐμῶν βουλευμάτων. 'Probably not "your sword" but a double genitive. "I shall not be left behind by you, fall short of you, in connexion with the sword"' (West). This is the sense required, but such a 'double genitive' is impossible. The variant ξίφος could be taken as accusative of respect (see LSJ, s.u. λείπω B.II.3, quoting Thuc. 6.72.2 ζύνειν οὐδενός λειπόμενος), but it is more likely a slip, associated with the error λελήσθαι (the scribe thinking, consciously or not, of ξίφος λήσθαι). The more natural way to restore the sense postulated by West is to write ξίφει, a conjecture of Wecklein (1906), overlooked by later editors, which gives the same construction as *Su.* 904 γνώμη δ' ἀδελφοῦ Μελεάγρου λελειμμένος, *Hdt.* 7.86.2 καμήλους ταχυτήτι (u.l. ταχυτήτα) οὐ λειπομένας ἵππων. For the dative alone see *Hi.* 1243–4 ὑτέρῳ ποδὶ|ἐλειπόμεσθα, *Tr.* 672 τῇ φύσει τε λείπεται, fr. 1066.1 τοῖς ἐν οἴκῳ χρήμασι λελείμεθα.

¹⁸ Turyn 123.

¹⁹ Turyn 148–9, Mastronarde–Bremer 172.

²⁰ Turyn 141–3 and (for Xf) Mastronarde–Bremer 171.

²¹ See n. 2 above.

²² Turyn 124.

²³ Similarly G. Zuntz, *An Inquiry into the Transmission of the Plays of Euripides* (1965), p. 158, who however regards it as an unhappy accident. For the confusion of ἐγὼ and ἔχω see Willink, *CQ* n.s. 39 (1989), 52 n. 32.

²⁴ *Kritische Studien zu den griechischen Dramatikern*, ii (1886), pp. 361–2.

²⁵ *Greek Particles*, p. 169.

²⁶ So, evidently, thought Herwerden, who proposed σοῦ θράκου (*Exercitationes criticae* [1862], p. 131), and H. Stadtmüller (as reported in Bursian, 1910, 332), who proposed οὐδ' εὐφυχίας.

βαρβάρῳ βοᾷ ἴδια τὸ τὰς ὀρθογόνων ὄμμα κυκνόπτερον καλλοκίναε† Ἀήδαε κυκνίον Δυσελéαν Δυσελéαν ξεστῶν περγάμων Ἀπολλωνίων Ἑρινύν. ὅττοτοί ...	1385 1390
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On the text of 1385–6 I venture nothing. In 1387–8 I have given the text and colometry of Willink and West (the accusatives in 1387 appear to be inescapable). 1387–9 are dochmiac+cretic; dochmiac; dochmiac+bacchiac.²⁷ What form the exclamation in 1390 should take (the manuscripts offer a variety of forms), and how the text should continue thereafter, are questions which I shall not discuss here. My interest is in the second *Δυσελέων* in 1387. Not only Willink and West but also Murray, Di Benedetto, Biehl, and Dale,²⁸ acquiesce in this solitary cretic. ‘Non ha nulla di eccezionale l’inserzione di un cretico in una serie docmiaca’, says Di Benedetto. Aeschylus and Sophocles have a few examples of a solitary cretic sandwiched between dochmiacs (A. *Eum.* 270, [A.] *PV* 575~594, 582–3~601–2, S. *Ai.* 889~935, *OC* 1450~1465). Whether Euripides has any is not certain. What is certainly unexampled is the anadiplosis which this cretic brings with it. Metre and style conspire to cast doubt on the cretic. I shall examine the metrical anomaly first, and then the anadiplosis.

(i) Cretics prefixed: *Hi.* 362~668 ||---|---|+7 do; 366-7~673-4 ||---|---||; *Herc.* 742~757 ||---|---|---| (for the continuation see under (v) below); 875 ||-----|---|+7 do (but Hermann's conjecture, restoring a dochmiac, should be accepted); 895 ||---|-----||; 915 ||---|-----||; 1203 ||---+3 do; *IT* 834 ||-----+3 do (but corrupt); 881 ||-----+2 do (but perhaps corrupt); *Ion* 1470 ||---+2 do; *Hel.* 661-2 ||---|---x- bis || (or ---|, if ε̃ ē is scanned as spondaic; see also Willink, *CQ* n.s. 39 [1989], 62); *Ph.* 153 ||---|-----|| (but it is worth considering ἐμὰν <ἐμάν>, to restore a dochmiac; for the anadiplosis see below, under (d)); 296 ||---|-----|| (but P. Berol. 21169 had a different beginning, perhaps another dochmiac);³⁰ *Or.* 168~189 ||---|-----||; 179~200 ||-----|| (although dochmiacs precede, the *brevis in longo* at 199 shows that a new period begins at 179~200; for the theoretical alternative ||---|-----|| see (iv) below); 317-18~333-4 ||---|-----||.

²⁷ For the dochmiac + bacchiac clausula see T. C. W. Stinton, *BICS* 22 (1975), 84–8, Willink, p. 253, and below, p. 121. Willink prefers to join 1388–9 as a single colon.

²⁸ *BICS Suppl.* 21.3 (1983), 124.

²⁹ N. C. Conomis, *Hermes* 92 (1964), 46–8 and A. M. Dale, *BICS* Suppl. 21 (1971–83), especially the section on dochmiacs (Suppl. 21.3, 21–152), may be consulted. But I have ignored some of the passages which they cite, based as they are on an unreliable text.

³⁰ See below, p. 110.

is *Hyps.* fr. 64.99 (p. 48 Bond) || τινᾶ πατέρϊ ποτῆ χάριν ἀθλιῶι| + 2 ia ||. This is Bond's analysis. But the two divided resolutions in the iambic metron are as unwelcome as the solitary dochmiac interposed between iambs. Preferable, but not ideal, would be to analyse as τινᾶ πατέρϊ ποτῆ χάριν ἀθλιῶι.³¹ Murray's proposal τινᾶ πατέρϊ ποτῆ <τῖνᾶ> χάριν ἀθλιῶι| introduces a pattern of anadiplosis unusual in dochmiacs (see below).

(iii) Bacchiac prefixed: *Or.* 145~158 || --- + 3 do (possibly --- at 145).

There are few certain examples of cretics appended to dochmiacs at the end of a period. Alternative analyses are often possible or probable:

(iv) *Herc.* 1020 2 do + -----|---|| (the theoretical alternative -----|---|, which accords better with the word-division, gives a cretic sandwiched between dochmiacs; we could gain a second dochmiac by writing τάλανι <τάλανι>; for the anadiplosis see below, under (d));³² *Ion* 1502 || ----|-----|| (----|----- is theoretically possible; but I accept the supplements of Hermann and Matthiae, which restore a second dochmiac; see below, under (b)); *Ph.* 169 2 do + ---|| (with Hermann's ἀλίου for ἀελίου [ῥλίου L], or, less plausibly, with synizesis ἀελίου; but Wecklein was almost certainly right to delete the word as a gloss);³³ 189 3 do + ---|| (186-9 harbour uncured corruptions); 300 3 do + ---|| (Murray's text; but read θιγῆν τ' ὠλέναι τεκνῶν);³⁴ *Or.* 179~200 || -----|-----|| (alternatively -----|-----||: see (i) above); *Ba.* 1153-4 -----|---|| -----|---|| (it is impossible to decide between this and -----|---|| bis). Finally a doubtful instance of dochmiac + molossus: *Or.* 1414-15 2 ia + -----|---|| (Willink contemplates both this and -----|---; but possibly corrupt).³⁵ For dochmiac + bacchiac see n. 27.

I now come to instances which may be alleged to show a cretic interposed in the middle of a dochmiac period:

(v) *Med.* 1251~1261 || ----|---| + 6 do (but this can be analysed as ----|---|, ba + do, as *Or.* 158 [(iii) above]); 1255~1265 || ----|-----| + 3 do (but this can be analysed as ----|-----|);³⁶ *Hcl.* 91-2 || ----|---| + 3 do (read χερῖ [Tr²], to give ia + 2 do [see (ii) above]); *El.* 593 2 do + --- + 3 do (Matthiae's λιτὰς <λιτὰς> restores a dochmiac; for the anadiplosis see below); *Herc.* 742-3~757-8 -----|-----| + 3 do (possibly corrupt [see my app. crit. and Bond]); but there is sense-pause after the first dochmiac, and so perhaps period-end should be marked before -----, if the cretic is sound); *Ion* 676~695 || ----|---| + 5 do (but this can be analysed as ----|---| + 6 do);³⁷ 776 || ----|-----| + do (Seidler's ἔλακες <ἔλακες> restores a dochmiac; for the anadiplosis see below, under (d)); *Ph.* 346 3 do + ---|-----|| (the cretic ὥς πρέπει was deleted by Nauck; but this leaves the following dochmiac ματέρϊ μακαρίαι to go with νόμιμον, which is a little strained, and so it would be preferable to delete the whole line, which is omitted by Plut. *Mor.* 606f; yet it may be even better to delete the preceding cretic ἐν γάμοις, omitted by Σ Ap. Rh. 4.808-9).³⁸

³¹ For the divided resolution in the last element of the dochmiac see n. 53 below.

³² An alternative remedy is suggested by Willink, *CQ* n.s. 38 (1988), 93.

³³ The transmitted choriamb calls to mind *Hi.* 1275, where an anomalous choriamb is interposed among dochmiacs. See Barrett *ad loc.*, and my app. crit. The theoretical alternative at *Ph.* 169 is ba + 2 do (see (iii) above).³⁴ See Stinton, *BICS* 22 (1975), 85.

³⁵ See below, pp. 109 and 120. *Ph.* 178 (-----|----) is corrupt. So too is the spondee at *Tr.* 260-1 (2 do + sp).³⁶ On these two passages in *Med.* see *CQ* n.s. 34 (1984), 62.

³⁷ See *CQ* n.s. 33 (1983), 347 n. 33, and for the resolved bacchiac see *Tr.* 564 (*Studies* 19-20, Dale, *Lyric Metres*, p. 74).³⁸ On *Ph.* 1350-1 see n. 90 below.

I draw the following conclusions. A cretic (or iambic metron or bacchiac or molossus) is securely attested at the beginning of a metrical period, when dochmiacs follow. A cretic at the end of a metrical period, when dochmiacs precede, is very much rarer, and few, if any, of the apparent examples can be regarded as beyond all doubt. A cretic is nowhere securely attested in the middle of a period of dochmiacs: in all of the passages where the phenomenon may be alleged to exist ((v) above), an alternative analysis is possible or preferable, or there is reason for doubting the text, or a slight change (sometimes the restoration of anadiplosis in a form well attested in dochmiacs) will eliminate the alleged instance. I therefore judge that the analysis of *Or.* 1387 as (hypod. + 3 do?) + ---|---| + do should be treated with caution.

I turn to style. Repetition of words in dochmiacs is common, and follows certain patterns.

(a) At the beginning of successive dochmiacs: e.g. *Or.* 142 ἀποπρὸ βᾶτ' ἐκείς' ἀποπρὸ μοι κοίτας, 323 τινύμεναι δίκαν τινύμεναι φόνον,³⁹ 1353 κτύπον ἐγείρετε κτύπον καὶ βοάν, 1537 ἕτερον εἰς ἀγών' ἕτερον αὖ δόμος, 1541 ἴδε πρὸ δωματίων ἴδε προκηρύσσει.⁴⁰ In *Or.* there are two instances of the repeated word occupying successive dochmiacs: 324 καθικετεύομαι bis (semel Cr^e), 339 κατολοφύρομαι bis.

(b) At the beginning of a dochmiac: *Hi.* 580 ἔνεπε δ' ἔνεπέ μοι, *Andr.* 854 ἔλιπες, ἔλιπες ὦ, *Hec.* 709 ἐμὸς ἐμὸς ξένος (ἐμὸς semel pars codd.), *El.* 585 ἐμολες ἐμολες ὦ, *Herc.* 1190 ἐμὸς ἐμὸς ὅδε γόνος, *Tr.* 325 <ἀναγ'> ἀναγε χορόν, 1216 ἔθιγες ἔθιγες ὦ, *Ion* 790 ἄτεκνον ἄτεκνον ἔλακ', 799 οἶον οἶον ἄλγος ... (hypodochmiac), 1445 ἰὼ ἰὼ λαμπράς, 1454 ἰὼ <ἰὼ> γύναι,⁴¹ 1502 ἰὼ <ἰὼ> δευαί, *Hel.* 670 ὁ Διὸς ὁ Διὸς ὦ, 684 πάθεα πάθεα μά|τερ,⁴² *Or.* 140 κύγα κύγα λεπ|τόν ... (hypodochmiac), 149 κάταγε κάταγε πρόσιθ' | ἀτρέμας ἀτρέμας ἴθι, 162 ἔλακεν ἔλακεν ἀπό|φονον ... (ἐλακεν semel Rw), 174 πότνια πότνια Νύξ, 1353 ἰὼ ἰὼ φίλαι (ἰὼ semel Zb), 1414–15 ἔβαλον ἔβαλον Ἑλένας ... (ἔβαλον semel FPrSa, metre doubtful),⁴³ 1537 ἰὼ ἰὼ τύχα (ἰὼ semel F), 1547 ἔπες' ἔπες μέλαθρα (ἔπαισε semel Ab),⁴⁴ *Ba.* 1182 μετ' ἐμέ μετ' ἐμέ τοῦδ', 1198 μεγάλα μεγάλα καί.

(c) At the beginning and end of a dochmiac, with a word interposed: *El.* 594 τύχαι κοι τύχαι, *Ph.* 103 ὄρεγέ νυν ὄρεγε, *Antiope* 54 Page (fr. 223 Nauck, fr. xlviii.57 Kambitsis) δίκαι τοι δίκαι.

(d) At the end of a dochmiac: *Hec.* 684 and 694 ὦ τέκνον τέκνον (probably hypodochmiac; τέκνον semel pars codd. 684), *Herc.* 917 -κτάν ἄταν ἄταν, 1020 κακὰ τάλανι <τάλανι>,⁴⁵ *Ion* 776 ἄκρον ἔλακες <ἐλακες>,⁴⁶ *Ph.* 153 ὃς ἐπ' ἐμὴν <ἐμάν>,⁴⁷ *Or.* 1455 ἄπερ ἔδρακον ἔδρακον (ἔδρακον semel AaAtFZb),⁴⁸ *IA* 1290 -δαῖος ἐλέγεται' ἐλέγεται'.

³⁹ φόνον BZu¹⁸ (accepted by Willink), rather than φόνον (cett.). The structure of the dochmiac dimeter is then the same as *Med.* 1273 ἀκούεις βοᾶν ἀκούεις τέκνων, *Hec.* 1063 τάλαιναί κόραι τάλαιναί Φρυγῶν (Seidler: τ-τ-κ-Φ- codd.).

⁴⁰ And conceivably *Or.* 1500 πολύπονα δὲ πάθεα | πολύπονα (πολ- δὲ πολ- πάθεα codd.), for which see Willink. The conjecture which I have printed at *Hi.* 826 (τίνι λόγῳ, τάλας, τίνι [τίνα λόγον ... τίνα codd.] τύχαν ἐθέν) also conforms to this pattern. For further examples of the pattern see *CQ* n.s. 34 (1984), 65.

⁴¹ With Page's <ἰὼ> and Hartung's πόθεν for πόθεν πόθεν. Alternatively, ὦ (Wilamowitz) γύναι, πόθεν | πόθεν ἐλαβες ἐμὸν (hypodochmiac + dochmiac), which falls within category (e) below.

⁴² But not *Hel.* 682 (see *Dionysiaca: Nine Studies ... presented to Sir Denys Page* [1978], p. 163, Willink, *CQ* n.s. 39 [1989], 66).

⁴³ See above, p. 108, below, p. 120.

⁴⁴ See n. 85 below.

⁴⁵ Only a possibility: see above (under (iv)).

⁴⁶ See above (under (v)).

⁴⁷ Only a possibility: see above (under (i)).

⁴⁸ But probably not dochmiac: see n. 65 below.

(e) At the end and beginning of successive dochmiacs: *Hi.* 586–7 διὰ πύλας ἔμολεν|ἔμολέ κοι βοά, *El.* 592–3 λόγον, ἱεὶ λιτὰς|<λιτὰς> ἐς θεοῦς,⁴⁹ *Or.* 177 Ἐρεβόθεν ἰθι μόλε|μόλε κατὰπτερος (μόλε semel AnThXa), *Phaethon* 282–3 (εφαγάς|εφαγάς, but the surroundings are corrupt).⁵⁰

Categories (b) and (c) are combined at *Hi.* 830 αἰαὶ αἰαὶ (αἰαὶ semel pars codd.) μέλεα|μέλεα τάδε πάθη~848 <αἰαὶ αἰαὶ> ἔλιπες|ἔλιπες, ὦ φιλα, *Ba.* 986–7 ἐς ὄρος ἐς ὄρος ἔμολ' (Elmsley: ἔμολεν P)|ἔμολεν, ὦ Βάκχαι, categories (b) and (c) are possibly combined at *Ph.* 296 ἰὼ ἰὼ πότνια|πότνια μό|λε πρόδρομος (P. Berol. 21169, suppl. Haslam, *CQ* n.s. 26 [1976], 6–7; the manuscripts have single πότνια),⁵¹ and categories (d) (b) (e) are possibly all combined at *Hel.* 650–1 πόσιν ἔχομεν ἔχομεν|ἐμὸν <ἐμὸν> ὃν ἔμενον|ἔμενον ἐκ Τροίας.⁵²

I have found few instances which do not fall into one of these categories: *Andr.* 842 ἀπόδος ὦ φίλος (LP: φίλ' MBOAV) ἀ|πόδος ... (ἀπόδος ἀπόδος ὦ would regularise this),⁵³ *Herc.* 1042 -τες οὐ εἴγα εἴγα ..., *IT* 835–6 -σι νεαρὸν τροφοῦ|νεαρὸν ἐν δόμοις, *Ion* 1471 τί φής; οἶον οἶον ..., *Or* 1364 διὰ τὸν δλόμενον δλόμενον ..., 1384 ἀρμάτειον ἀρμάτειον ... (hypodochmiac, but the verse may be spurious), *Ba.* 977 ἴτε θοαὶ Λύσσεας κύνες ἴτ' εἰς ὄρος (ἴτ' ἐς ὄρος κύνες would regularise this), *IA* 1289–90 δὲ Ἰδαῖος Ἰδαῖος⁵⁴

The repetition afforded by κύμνον Δυσελέναν Δυσελέναν, where the first Δυσελέναν ends a dochmiac and the second Δυσελέναν is not part of another dochmiac but brings with it a cretic rhythm, is abnormal. Willink (p. 361) cites as an analogy 'for the anadiplosis in a "dochmiac compound"' 200 δλόμεθ' ἰονέκνες δλόμεθα.⁵⁵ But there the repetition is not in contiguous words, and we have period-end before and after the verse. If the repetition Δυσελέναν Δυσελέναν is genuine, I should expect the second Δυσελέναν to begin a second dochmiac (as in category (e)).

What we have been examining is the colometry of modern editors. It is time to examine the colometry of the manuscripts. The Alexandrian colometry is usually recoverable.⁵⁶ When our manuscripts agree in rational colometry, this colometry is presumably the ancient one.⁵⁷ For these lines we have the partial evidence of P. Oxy. 3717 (2nd cent. A.D.). The Alexandrian divisions were probably as follows:⁵⁸

⁴⁹ See above (under (v)).

⁵⁰ Note also *IT* 869–70 τόλμας· δειν' ἔτλαν|ἔτλαν δειν' (δειν' ἔτλαν L), ὦμοι (PCPS n.s. 22 [1976], 42–3). Willink suggests to me as an alternative ὦμοι, δειν' ἔτλαν.

⁵¹ See above, p. 107.

⁵² See *Dionysiaca* (n. 42 above), p. 166, Willink, *CQ* n.s. 39 (1989), 59.

⁵³ ἀπόδος, ὦ φίλος, ἀ|πόδος gives divided resolution in the last element, for which parallels are *El.* 1170, *Herc.* 1070, 1212, *Tr.* 244, 253, *IT* 871, *Ph.* 1295 (with Elmsley's ἀχῆσω for ἰαχῆσω: see n. 74 below), *Or.* 1364, *Ba.* 995 = 1015, *Rh.* 131, and possibly *Hyps.* fr. 64.99 (see above, under (ii)). See L. P. E. Parker, *CQ* n.s. 18 (1968), 267–8, Willink, p. 298 and *CQ* n.s. 39 (1989), 59. Normally such division follows after a run of shorts (~~~~~υ|υ). The exceptions (to which *Andr.* 843 would have to be added) are *Herc.* 1070~~~~~υ|υ (unless we follow Willink, *CQ* n.s. 38 [1988], 96), *Tr.* 253~~~~~υ|υ, *Rh.* 131~~~~~υ|υ.

⁵⁴ *Rh.* 821 μέγας ἐμοὶ μέγας ὦ must be restored to dochmiac shape, but convincing restoration is hard to find (see W. Ritchie, *The Authenticity of the Rhesus of Euripides* [1964], p. 309). Murray's conjecture at *Or.* 1483 (δὴ τότε διαπρεπεῖς|τότ' ...) is certainly wrong.

⁵⁵ See above (under (i) and (iv)).

⁵⁶ See Zuntz, *Inquiry*, pp. 27–35, and *Drei Kapitel zur griechischen Metrik* (Sitzb. Öst. Akad. Wiss., phil.-hist. Kl., 443 [1984]), 50–8; Barrett, *Hippolytos*, pp. 84–90; Mastronarde–Bremer 151–66.

⁵⁷ It is not necessarily the right one. But, if we reject it, we must have good reason for doing so.

⁵⁸ Square brackets enclosing manuscript symbols indicate that this is the place at which these manuscripts divide the text. I have placed a vertical stroke at the end of each line, in order to indicate where I believe the Alexandrian division occurred. The manuscripts which follow in

- 1385a βαρβάρωι βοᾷ|[ITHMBOVa+]
 1385b διά τὸ τὰς ὀρνιθόγονον ὄμμα|[ITHMBO+]
 1386a κυκνόπτερον|[MBOVa+]
 1386b καλλοσύνας [ICr] Λήδας|[HMRwZm]
 1387a κύμνον [AaGKXXaXbZcTp] Δυσελένας|[IT²MBOVa+]
 1387b (Δυσελένας) (om. IT²AbFGKMnPrRRwSSaXXaXbZvTp) [IT²ZbZu] ξεστῶν|
 [HMBO+]
 1388 περγάμων [ITAaCrRf] Ἀπολ|[MBA(C)GKMt(S)XXaXb]
 1389a -λωνίων [ZbZuTTp] Ἐρινύν|[ITHVaAdFLPPrSaZZm]
 1389b ὅττ(οτοτ)οτοί|[HMBO+]

The corruption at the beginning of 1385b may be the cause of the surprising division (shared by the papyrus with HMBO+) at ὄμμα|. We expect ὄμμα κυκνόπτερον| to be a dochmiac. But at least the majority do divide correctly at κυκνόπτερον|, and so convict the papyrus of error (its κυκνόπτερον καλλοσύνας| is an unacceptable colon).⁵⁹ The ancient colometry evidently offered two dochmiacs καλλοσύνας Λήδας κύμνον Δυσελένας| (HMRwZm also divide after the first dochmiac καλλοσύνας Λήδας|). The colometry of the papyrus here is uncertain, since we do not know whether it had Δυσελένας twice or (like a good many manuscripts) only once. If once, it offered Λήδας κύμνον Δυσελένας| (as Cr), if twice, Λήδας κύμνον Δυσελένας Δυσελένας| (as no other manuscript). The papyrus then offers ξεστῶν. .[|περγάμων|(of the manuscripts which divide at περγάμων|, Aa offers Δυσελένας Δυσελένας ξεστῶν περγάμων|, CrRf offer Δυσελένας ξεστῶν περγάμων|). But the commonest division is at ξεστῶν|(HMBO+), and (with Δυσελένας written twice) this gives a further dochmiac Δυσελένας ξεστῶν|. There follows (in MBAGKMtXXaXb) a division in mid-word at περγάμων Ἀπολλωνίων (slightly corrupted in C to Ἀπολλωνίων, in S to Ἀπολλωνίων).

This mid-word division is very significant. Manuscripts regularly eliminate mid-word division. When they do divide in mid-word, and the division is right, or at least rational, it must be counted as evidence of the ancient colometry. Here are examples of correct mid-word division preserved by our manuscripts: 325 ἐκ|λαθέσθαι P. Berol. 17051, HMOVACrFGKPPrRSaXXaXbZcT (ἐκλε|λαθέσθαι Ab, ἐκλα|θέσθαι BS); 326 φοιτα|λέου P. Berol., HMBOVACGKXXaXbZc;⁶⁰ 1269 ἀμ|φι MBOAKLX XaXbZbZmZu; 1434 ἀγά|ματα P. Oxy. 3718, HMBACGKMtPZ; 1472 ἐμ|ελ|λεν HMBAMtP; 1498 ἐξέ|κεπτον HMBALMPrwXXaXb (ἐξέ|κεπτον SZ).⁶¹

And so the ancient colometry gave περγάμων Ἀπολ|- (hypodochmiac), followed presumably by -λωνίων Ἐρινύν|(ithyphallic). The papyrus and HVaAdFLPPr SaZZm divide at Ἐρινύν|, while most manuscripts append the exclamation in 1389b (variously corrupted) on the same line.⁶²

The ancient colometry solves one problem, but creates another in its place. The problem solved is the isolated cretic Δυσελένας, which now comes at the beginning of a second dochmiac: κύμνον Δυσελένας|Δυσελένας ξεστῶν. This dochmiac dimeter

square brackets are witnesses to this division. I have omitted a few aberrant divisions by single manuscripts or by a very few. A plus sign indicates that the division is found in the great majority of manuscripts in addition to those listed. I have printed each dochmiac (or hypodochmiac) as a separate line. Whether they were originally written singly or in pairs is of no consequence.

⁵⁹ There are no aeolo-choriambs hereabouts.

⁶⁰ The colometry of P. Berol. 17051 at 325 and 326 can be restored with certainty. The possibility of mid-word division was overlooked by J. Lenaerts, *Pap. litt. grecs* (Pap. Bruxell. 13 [1977]), 19–23, W. Luppe, *Archiv f. Pap.* 27 (1980), 241, and J. O'Callaghan, *Stud. Pap.* 20 (1981), 19–24.

⁶¹ See below, p. 123.

⁶² We must keep the exclamation separate (so Biehl, Willink, West). Di Benedetto and Dale (*BICS* Suppl. 21. 3 [1983], 134) print Ἐρινύν ὅττοτοί, the former analysing as ba + cr, the latter as 'long doch'.

shows the pattern of anadiplosis illustrated above (under (e)). The problem created is the sequence *περγάμων Ἀπολλωνίων Ἑρινύν* (hypodochmiac + ithyphallic). Hypodochmiacs have appeared earlier at 1382 *καλλίβωλον ἴ-*, 1384 *ἀρμάτειον ἀρ-*, 1385 *βαρβάρωι βοᾷ*, and possibly 1376 *παὶ φύγω ξένα*.⁶³ And ithyphallics are found at 1373, 1374, 1396(?), 1432,⁶⁴ 1456(?).⁶⁵ But hypodochmiacs are normally followed by dochmiacs (often in synapheia). Here the hypodochmiac is followed (in synapheia) by an ithyphallic. The sequence is unparalleled.

All of the difficulties which I have mentioned (metrical and stylistic) would be solved if we simply followed those manuscripts which offer *Δυσελένας* not twice but once (Rw actually has the correct accusative *Δυσελέναν* once only). So, in effect, Weil proposed (but with the unnecessary inversion *Δυσελέναν κκύμνον*). And Wecklein (1906), like Hermann and Nauck before him, prints single *Δυσελένας*. Dittography is a less common fault than haplography, but is commoner than may generally be supposed. The manuscripts of *Orestes* offer the following instances: 328 *ὁ τάλας* bis J; 834 *οἶον* bis MVAaAbMnRRfSSa; 1449 *ἵππικοῖσι(ν)* bis Va; 1454 *Ἰδαία* bis At; 1470 *προβάς* bis Aa; 1480 *οἶος* bis fere L; and possibly 999 *ὀλοόν* bis MnPrRRwS (though this could be right).

If single *Δυσελέναν* is right, the doubling must be a pre-Alexandrian error, for texts which had the word only once would have been divided next at *περγάμων|* (as in the papyrus), and not at *Ἀπολλωνίων*.

But it is more likely that double *Δυσελέναν* is right. Regular rhythm, and acceptable style, would be restored by *περγάμων <τῶν> Ἀπολλωνίων Ἑρινύν* (2 cr + ithyphallic [i.e. 3 cr + ba]). The article is frequently used with adjectives formed from proper names, sometimes when the adjective gives needed definition to the noun (as *Hi.* 736 *τὰς Ἀδριηνᾶς ἀκτᾶς*, *Hec.* 641 *ταῖς Σιμωνντίδι γαῖ*, *Herc.* 801 *νύμφας τὰς Περσηίδος*, *Tr.* 841 *τὰ Δαρδάνεια μέλαθρα*, *Ion* 167 *λίμνας ... τὰς Δηλιάδος*, 1089 *<ὁ> Φοίβειος ἀλάτας*, *Ph.* 824 *τὰς Ἀμφιονίας ... λύρας*, *Or.* 179 *τὸν Ἀγαμεμνόνιον ... δόμον*, 1423 *παῖδα τὰν Τυνδαρίδ'*, *Rh.* 1 *εὐνὰς τὰς Ἑκτορέους*),⁶⁶ sometimes when the adjective (as here) merely adds elaboration (as *Alc.* 570 *ὁ Πύθιος εὐλύρας Ἀπόλλων*, *Or.* 1480 *Ἑκτωρ ὁ Φρύγιος*, *IA* 265 *Μυκήνας ... τὰς Κυκλωπίας*, 1053 *ὁ Φρύγιος Γανυμήδης*). Similarly with adjectives not formed from proper names: *Med.* 440 and *Tr.* 1115 *Ἑλλάδι ταῖ μεγάλαι*, *Hi.* 229 *γυμνασίων τῶν ἵπποκρότων*, *Herc.* 368 *Πηνεῖος ὁ καλλιδίνας*, 784 *Δίρκα ... ὁ καλλιρέεθρος*, *Ba.* 556 *Νύσας ... τὰς θηροτρόφου*, *IA* 548 *Ἔρως ὁ χρυσοκόμας*, *Rh.* 370–1 *τὰν ζάχρυςον ... πέλταν*. For the combination of name epithet and other epithet and articulated noun (as here) see *Alc.* 570 (quoted above), *Andr.* 489 *τὰν τάλαιναν Ἰλιάδα κόραν*, *Ba.* 409–10 *ἁ καλλιτενομένα Πιερίά μούσειος ἔδρα*. And for the order epithet + noun + article + epithet (as here), see *Andr.* 277–8 *τρίπωλον ἄρμα δαιμόνων ... τὸ καλλιζυγές*, and, for the reverse order, *Cycl.* 620–1 *τὸν φιλοκισσοφόρον Βρόμιον ποθεινόν*. A further advantage of this proposal is that it leaves rational the attested division at *Ἀπολλωνίων*.

Now, the papyrus appears to have added something *before περγάμων*. The editor reports *ξεστων . . . [περγα]μων* ('Too much room for e.g. *υπεργαμων*, not enough for *των. τοι (το[ι])* a long shot'). If *τω[ν]* were in fact possible, I should take this to be

⁶³ The manuscripts give this as a hypodochmiac, but other divisions are at least as plausible.

⁶⁴ See below, pp. 114–115.

⁶⁵ If we divide *ἄπερ ἔδρακον ἔδρακον|ἐν δόμοις τυράννων* (do + ith). But since there are no other dochmiacs hereabouts, Willink's analysis (vv---vv---vv) may be preferable.

⁶⁶ We shall have another instance at *Or.* 838, if we follow West in writing *Ἀγαμεμνόνιος* ('*Αγ- codd.*) *παῖς*. But the reizianum vv---vv--- is of a common shape (*Hcl.* 373, 750 ~ 761, 757 ~ 768, *El.* 700 ~ 714, *IT* 396 ~ 411, *Ion* 458 ~ 478, 460 ~ 480), and metre does not afford us the liberty to change *Andr.* 1034 *Ἀγαμεμνόνιος κέλωρ*.

an instance of a phenomenon which I have illustrated elsewhere: 'On numerous occasions, when words have been transposed from their proper place in some of the manuscripts, those words are omitted by others of the manuscripts.'⁶⁷ But, if τω[ν] is not possible, then we shall probably have to dismiss the papyrus' addition as a slip.⁶⁸

An alternative solution has been suggested to me by Prof. West: the inversion of περγάμων and Ἀπολλωνίων, to give Ἀπολλωνίων|περγάμων Ἐρινύν, dochmiac + ithyphallic.

1408–13

οἱ δὲ πρὸς θρόνους ἔσω	
μολόντες ἄς ἔγην' ὁ το-	
ξότας Πάρις γυναικός, ὅμ-	1410
μα δακρύοις πεφυρμένοι,	
ταπείν' ἔζονθ', ὁ μὲν	
τὸ κείθεν, ὁ δὲ τὸ κείθεν ἄλ-	1413 a
λος ἄλλοθεν δεδραγμένοι ...	1413 b

1412 ταπείν' Willink: ταπεινοὶ codd. 1413 b δεδραγμένοι Shilleto: πεφραγμένοι codd.

West tacitly rejects Willink's conjecture, and like previous editors divides ἔσω|... Πάρις|... δακρύοις|... ταπεινοὶ|... ὁ δέ|. ⁶⁹ This gives hiatus at ταπεινοὶ| ἔζονθ'. Willink calls the hiatus 'unwelcome'. He is right.

The sequence ∪---|---∪ gives presumable period-end after the bacchiac, according to the rule formulated by T. C. W. Stinton.⁷⁰ And period-end is confirmed by the hiatus. Hiatus, like *breuis in longo*, often accompanies a bacchiac at period-end. The question at issue here is whether the rhetorical articulation of the passage is compatible with the assumption of period-end between words which belong so closely together as ταπεινοὶ ἔζονθ', especially when ἔζονθ' is followed by rhetorical pause. If (leaving aside theoretical considerations of period-end) we examine the instances of bacchiacs at the end of an iambic sequence accompanied by hiatus or *breuis in longo*, we find that either (i) there is a change of metre, or (ii) the first metron which follows is not a full iambic metron but a syncopated iambic metron (∪-- or --∪ or ---), or (iii), if the first metron is a full iambic metron, there is rhetorical pause after the bacchiac (as there often is in (i) and (ii) as well).

Here is the evidence:

(i) Hiatus or *breuis in longo* at change of metre: *Alc.* 219–20 θεοῖσιν εὐ-ξόμεσθ᾽|θεῶν γὰρ δύναμις μεγίστα ~ 231–2 γυναῖκα καθανούσ᾽|ἐν ἄματι τῶιδ' ἐπόψηι, ⁷¹ *Hcl.* 892–3 ἐμοὶ χορὸς μὲν ἡδύς, εἰ λίγεια|λωτοῦ χάρις †ἐνὶ δαί† ~ 901–2 ἔχεις ὁδὸν τιν', ὦ πόλις, δίκαιον|οὐ χρή ποτε τοῦδ' ἀφέσθαι (but λίγεια λω|τοῦ ~ 231–2 δίκαιον· οὐ| may be preferable; or εἰ| ~ πόλις|, as Willink suggests to me, comparing *Med.* 432 ~ 439), *Andr.* 848–9 ποῦ δ' ἐκ πέτρας ἀερθῶ,|<ῆ> κατὰ πόντον

⁶⁷ *CQ* n.s. 33 (1983), 352.

⁶⁸ I suppose that γε would give a semblance of sense, but it would not give acceptable metre, unless we adopted a colometry different from that which I postulate in 1387.

⁶⁹ This (for the most part) was probably the ancient colometry (see above, p. 110). P. Oxy. 3718 (5th cent.) divides at ἔσω|(with only AbPrRfSa; the majority divide at μολόντες|) and Πάρις| (with the majority) and probably at δακρύοις| and ταπεινοὶ| (with the majority). Thereafter the papyrus fails us. Only Sa (which divided at πεφυρμένοι|) divides at δέ|. The remainder divide at κείθεν|ἄλλος.

Incidentally, the gloss|, τ. .oc in the margin of P. Oxy. 3718 next to προνοίας will be φρῶντιδος. This word glosses προνοία in Hesychius, and in MV at *Ph.* 736 (Schwartz 326.20), and is found in the paraphrase on our line in Gudian. gr. 15 and Barocci 74 (as reported by Dindorf [schol. ii (1863), p. 307]), which I have found also in Zb.

⁷⁰ 'Pendant close is always a mark of period-end, if it is followed by a short or anceps' (*CQ* n.s. 27 [1977], 39).

⁷¹ See *ICS* 6 (1981), 84–7.

ἡ καθ' ὕλαν ὀρέων, *Hec.* 630–1 ἐμοὶ χρήν πημονὰν γενέσθαι, | Ἰδαίαν ὅτε πρῶτον ὕλαν (~ 639–40 κυκλοῦνται·|κοινὸν δ'), *Herc.* 1025–6 αἰαί, τίνα στεναγμὸν | ἡ γόον ἡ φθιτῶν, 1036–7 ἐρείσμαθ' Ἡράκλειδον | ἀμφὶ δέμας τάδε λαίνοις,⁷² 1067–8 ὦ πρέσβυ :: σῖγα σῖγᾶ | παλίντροπος ἐξ(ε)π>εγειρόμενος στρέφεται· φέρε,⁷³ *Tr.* 1235–6 ἄρασς· ἄρασς κρᾶτᾶ | πιτύλους διδοῦσα χειρός, *Hel.* 1113–14 θρήνων ἐμοὶ ξυνηγός, | Ἐλένας μελέας πόνους (~ 1127–8 Ἀχαιῶν | μονόκωπος), 1486–7 ἐπιπετόμενος ἰαχεῖ. | ὦ πταναὶ δολιχαύχενες (~ 1503–4 θαλάσσας, | ναύταις), *Ph.* 1293–5 τάλαιν' ἐγὼ τάλαινα, | πότερον ἄρα νέκυν ὀλόμενον ἀχῆσω; (Elmsley: ἰαχ- codd.) (~ 1305–7 μέλλον· | πότμος [Dindorf: ἄποτμος codd.]),⁷⁴ 1518–19 ἐμοῖς ἄχεσι συνωιδός, | αἶλινον αἰάγμασιν ᾧ, 1532–3 πάτερ γεραῖέ, δεῖξόν, | Οἰδιπόδα, σὸν αἰῶνα μέλεον ὃς ἐπὶ, *Or.* 1399–1400 σιδαρέοισιν Ἄιδα. | ἦλθον ἐς δόμους | (hypodochmiac, if we accept Willink's division).

(ii) Hiatus or *brevis in longo* followed by a syncopated iambic metron: *El.* 1207–8 ἔβαλεν ἔδειξε μαστὸν ἐν φοναίσιν, | ἰώ μοι, πρὸς πέδωι (~ 1215–16 λιταίνω. | παρήιδων), *Ph.* 313–17 καὶ χερσὶ καὶ λόγοισι | πολυέλικτον ἄδονᾶν | ἐκείσε καὶ τὸ δεῦρ' | περιχορεύουσα τέρψιν παλαιᾶν λάβω | χαρμονᾶν,⁷⁵ *Or.* 167–8 σὺ γάρ νιν, ὦ (ὦ del. Willink) τάλαινα, | θωύξας' ἔλασας (Willink, praeunte Longman: ἐλάσας⁷⁶ MC: ἔβαλες codd.) ἐξ ὕπνου ~ 188–9 θανεῖν <θανεῖν> (Lachmann; <νιν> Willink), τί δ' ἄλλο; | οὐδὲ γὰρ πόθον ἔχει βορᾶς, *IA* 1480–1 ἐλίσσεται' ἀμφὶ ναὸν | ἀμφὶ βωμόν Ἀρτεμιν (s.u.), fr. 53.1 οὐκ ἔστιν ἐν κακοῖσιν εὐγένειᾳ, | παρ' ἀγαθοῖς δ' ἀνδρῶν.

(iii) Hiatus or *brevis in longo* followed by iambic metron: *Hec.* 1095–6 γυναικες ὤλεσάν μὲ, | γυναικες αἰχμαλωτίδες, *Tr.* 521–2 –πλον ἐν πύλαις Ἀχαιοί· | ἀνὰ δ' ἐβόασεν λεώς (~ 541–2 θεᾶς. | ἐπὶ). I assume that there is adequate sense-pause at *Andr.* 1219–20 ἀμπτάμενα φροῦδα πάντ' ἐκείνᾳ (Diggle: πάντα κείται codd.: πάντα κείνα Dobree) | κόμπων μεταρσίων πρόσω, for the sense is potentially complete at 1219, and there is certainly sense-pause in the strophe 1205–6 ὦ φίλος, δόμον ἔλιπες ἔρημον, | γέροντ' ἄπαιδα νοσφίσας. But I do not think that there is adequate sense-pause at *Ph.* 312–13 τί φῶ σε; πῶς ἄπαντᾶ | καὶ χερσὶ καὶ λόγοισι, and I should accept Wecklein's ἀπάνται, which eliminates not only the anomalous *brevis in longo* but also the anomalous adverbial accusative.⁷⁶

1431–2

ἀ δὲ λίνον ἡλακάται
δακτύλοις ἔλισεν ...

The majority of our manuscripts (including P. Oxy. 3718, 5th cent.) write these lines as a single colon. Only T divides them at ἡλακάται|. The problem is to restore metre in 1431. It is useless to analyse as – – – – | – – – – (cretic and choriamb, Di Benedetto and

⁷² For an alternative treatment of this passage see Willink, *CQ* n.s. 38 (1988), 94–5.

⁷³ For an alternative treatment see Willink, loc. cit. 96.

⁷⁴ Murray's colometry here is impossible. D. J. Mastronarde (Teubner, 1988), retaining (like Murray) the transmitted text, analyses 1294–5 ~ 1306–7 as hexasyllable dochmiac + dochmiac, and notes that 'γόους, ὕμους vel sim. ἡχεῖν dici potest, non potest νέκυν ἡχεῖν'. But νέκυν ἰαχεῖν is no less unusual in itself, and is supported only by *Hel.* 1147 (Hermann: see below, p. 116). In fact, a personal object for either ἰαχεῖν or ἡχεῖν, though unusual, is not more surprising than that which is attested for ὕμνεῖν (*IT* 1457) and χορεύειν (*Herc.* 871), or than expressions like *IT* 367–8 αὐλεῖται ... μέλαθρον, *El.* 691 ὀλοῦζεται ... δῶμα, and βοᾶσθαι passive in Hdt. See also Willink on 103.

⁷⁵ But we could write λόγοισι <ν> (Fritzsche); and Murray's deletion of 315 (ἐκείσε καὶ τὸ δεῦρο) may be right.

⁷⁶ The defence of ἄπαντα by R. Renehan, *Greek Textual Criticism: A Reader* (1969), pp. 107–12, does not touch on the metrical issue.

Biehl) or as - - - - | - - - - ('chor heptasyll B', Dale),⁷⁷ since there is no trace of choriambic in this aria. Willink suggests βαρβάροις νόμοισιν ἃ δ[ε] λίνον] ἡλάκατα δακτύλοις ἔλις|σε..., which brings an unwelcome sense-pause in the lekkythion, removes the inoffensive λίνον, and retains 1430 βαρβάροις (-οις all manuscripts except RwTTp) νόμοισιν, words rightly deleted by Hartung, who is followed by Wilamowitz (as reported by Murray), Wecklein (1906), Biehl, and West. The repetition, offensive after 1426 Φρυγίοις ἔτυχον Φρυγίοις νόμοις, is not to be defended (as Willink defends it) by reference to 1374 βαρβάροις δραμοῖς, inoffensive after 1370 βαρβάροις ἐν εὐμάρειν. Nor does the collocation of datives ἡλακάται δακτύλοις, which offends Willink, offend any more than do those at *El.* 474 δρόμοι... χαλαῖς, *Hel.* 373-4 ὄνυχι... πλαγαῖς, *A. Ch.* 24-5 ἀμυγμοῖς ὄνυχος ἄλοκι νεοτόμωι, *S. Ai.* 230-1 χερὶ... ξίφει, 310 ὄνυξι... χερὶ.⁷⁸ West restores anapaests with <χρυσαῖ> λίνον, which introduces a prosodic anomaly δὲ χρ-.⁷⁹

Weil's λίν' (accepted by Wecklein [1906]) may be right. It gives a hemiepes followed by an ithyphallic, as *Alc.* 440-1 ~ 450-1, *Su.* 598 ~ 608,⁸⁰ *Hyps.* fr. I. ii. 13-14 ~ I. iii. 16-17 (pp. 26-8 Bond). But it is worth considering λίνον <λίνον>, since anadiplosis is so common in this aria and is especially well suited in a description of the repetitive act of spinning (just as at 1427 the anadiplosis αὔραν αὔραν is well suited to the activity of fanning). In most of the instances of anadiplosis hereabouts a part of the manuscripts writes the word only once: 1373 γὰ ΟΑΤCZuTp, 1387 δυελέναι AbFGKMnPrR(Rw)SSaXXaXbZvTp,⁸¹ 1414 ἔβαλον FPrSa, 1416 ἔθορον FPrSaZb, 1427 αὔραν AtC, 1428 Ἐλένας GRZbZvT, 1453 μάτερ HATCCrGKLMnMt SZbZdZmZu, 1414 ὀβριμία fere AtF, 1461 καθανῆι Va, 1481 εἶδον AaAb(Cr)RZb.

The metre will then be dactylic tetrameter catalectic, as 831, 1381 [- - - - -], and possibly 1369 (if we divide at θανάτου), and elsewhere (*Cycl.* 617, *Andr.* 482 ~ 490, *El.* 141 ~ 158, *Ba.* 116 ~ 131, *IA* 210, 588, 1041 ~ 1063, *Rh.* 244 ~ 255). This colon is followed by an ithyphallic at *IT* 1136-7 ~ 1151-2 (despite corruption, the metre seems secure), just as a catalectic dactylic pentameter is followed by an ithyphallic at *El.* 452-3 ~ 464-5 and *Hel.* 384-5.

1465

ἀ δ' ἀνίαχεν ἴαχεν ὦμοι μοι.

ἀνίαχεν ἴαχεν BOVaAaAbAtCrFGKLMnPPr(R)RfSSaZT: ἀνίαχεν ἀνίαχεν HACJMTzB ZmZu: ἴαχεν ἴαχεν XXaXbZcZv et Mt^c: ἴαχεν γ' ἴαχεν γ' Tp: ἀνίαχεν M: ἀνίαχεν Rw: ἴαχεν Ad ἰώ μοι μοι AaAtFPrSaZb

Murray divides ἀ δ' ἀνίαχεν ἴ-|αχεν ὦμοι μοι (it is not clear whether this was intended as - - - - -| - - - - - or - - - - -| - - - - -). Wilamowitz⁸² and Dale⁸³ accept the solitary ἀνίαχεν of M (and Rw), and the former analyses as - - - - -| - - - - - (trochaic), the latter as - - -| - - -| - - -|. Di Benedetto prints his own conjecture ἀ δ' ἀνίαχ' ἴαχεν'| ὦμοι μοι and analyses as - - - - -| - - - - - (lek + mol). Biehl analyses as - - - - -| - - - - - (do + mol). Willink accepts the variant ἰώ μοί μοι and analyses as - - - - -| - - - - -. The manuscripts, apart from a few with aberrant divisions, give 1465 as a single colon.

There are three factors to be considered: (i) the prosody of ἴαχ-; (ii) Euripidean usage in respect of anadiplosis; (iii) Euripidean metrical usage.

⁷⁷ *BICS* Suppl. 21.3 (1983), 136.

⁷⁸ cf. Kühner-Gerth 1.441.

⁷⁹ See Barrett on *Hi.* 760. At *Or.* 839-40 ὄτε|χρ- (on which see Stinton, *JHS* 96 [1976], 126) read ὄτ' ἔ<κ> (Willink). At *Ph.* 166 βάλοιμ' χρ- I propose βάλομεν (*SIFC* 1989).

⁸⁰ And possibly *Su.* 599 ~ 609 (*GRBS* 14 [1973], 250-1).

⁸¹ See above, p. 111.

⁸² *Griechische Verskunst* (1921), p. 271.

⁸³ *BICS* Suppl. 21.3 (1983), 138.

Prosody

The epic prosody is *ĩāχ-* in the present tense (only the participle *ĩāχων* is found, apart from a single instance of *ĩāχēi* at *Hymn* 27.7), and in the noun *ĩāχῆ*. Epic prosody in the past tense *ĩāχον* is *ĩāχ-* (preceding vowel always elided; *ēπĩāχον* also found), but *ĩāχον* thrice in the *Iliad* (always *ῑĩāχον*) and *ĩāχῆca* twice in the *Hymns* (*ῑĩāχ-* at 28.11 and presumably at 2.20). Attic prosody is *ĩāχ-* in both verb and noun, but Euripides occasionally uses epic *ĩāχ-*: *El.* 707 certainly *ĩāχ-*, but uncertain whether *ĩāχēi* (L) or *ĩāχēi* (Diggle) or *ĩāχεν* (Elmsley); *Herc.* 883 *ĩāχῆμασι*; *Hel.* 1147 *ĩāχῆθηc* (Hermann's certain conjecture); *Phaethon* 82 probably *⟨ĩ⟩āχούcιν*. In the past tense Euripides has the augment at *Hel.* 1147 (*ĩāχῆθηc*) and drops it at *Or.* 826 (*ĩāχῆcε*) and at *El.* 707 if Elmsley's *ĩāχεν* is right; at *El.* 1150 either *ĩāχῆcε* or *ĩāχῆcε* (ι in the anceps position).

Ours is the only passage in tragedy where epic *ĩāχω* (as opposed to *ĩāχέω*) occurs, unless we accept either *ĩāχēi* (L) or *ĩāχεν* (Elmsley) at *El.* 707 or write *⟨ĩ⟩āχουcιν* instead of *⟨ĩ⟩āχούcιν* at *Phaethon* 82.

Epic usage suggests the scansion *āνĩāχεν* and *ĩāχεν* or *āνĩāχεν* and *ĩāχεν*. But Attic usage in respect of *ĩāχῆ*, *ĩāχῆμα*, and *ĩāχέω* suggests that *āνĩāχον* and *ĩāχον* or *āνĩāχον* and *ĩāχον* are legitimate.

Anadiplosis

It is reasonable to assume that *āνĩāχ(εν) ĩāχ(εν)*, compound followed by simple verb, as in the majority of manuscripts, is correct,⁸⁴ and that the less well attested variants are incorrect. There are then four possible forms which the anadiplosis may take: (a) *āνĩāχεν ĩāχεν*, (b) *āνĩāχεν ĩāχ'*, (c) *āνĩāχ' ĩāχεν*, (d) *āνĩāχ' ĩāχ'*. The following observations are applicable to Euripidean usage:

(A) *Anadiplosis in verbs*:

(i) third person endings in *-ε(ν)*:

(a) when the first verb is not elided, the second is not elided either:

Hi. 586–7, *Hel.* 195, 1118 *ēμολεν ēμολε*; *Hel.* 214 *ēλαχεν ēλαχεν*, 384 *ōλεcεν ōλεccε*; *Ph.* 1568 *ēφερεν ēφερεν*; *Or.* 162 *ēλακεν ēλακεν*, 329 *ēλακεν ēλακε* (s.u.l.); 986 *ēτεκεν ēτεκε*, 1468 *ēφερεν ēφερεν*.

(b) first verb elided, second not elided: *Or.* 1547 *ēπεc' ēπεccε* (s.u.l.);⁸⁵ *Ba.* 986–7 *ēμολ' ēμολεν* (Elmsley: *-εν -εν P*), rather than *ēμολεν ēμολ'*, for a reason which will become apparent.

(ii) other verbal forms which admit elision:

(a) when the first verb is not elided, the second is not elided either: *Alc.* 266, *Hi.* 64, *Hel.* 331, *Ph.* 681, *Or.* 148, 176, *Ba.* 107, 595, *Rh.* 675, 676. An exception is the non-Euripidean [*Ph.*] 1716 *γενόμεθα γενόμεθ'*.

(b) when the first verb is elided, the second may be elided (*Hec.* 173–4 [s.u.l.], *Su.* 800 [Blaydes], *Ph.* 1054, *IA* 1289–90, *Erechth.* fr. 65.43 Austin) or not elided (*Hec.* 1067, *Herc.* 1072, 1186, *Tr.* 1235, *Ion* 705, 1229, *Ph.* 679 [s.u.l.], 1350 [s.u.l.], *Rh.* 720, fr. 588.1, *Hyps.* fr. 64.92 [p. 48 Bond]).⁸⁶

⁸⁴ For this figure see *GRBS* 14 (1973), 265 and *Studies* 18.

⁸⁵ *ēπεc' ēπεccε* Seidler: *ēπεccεν ēπεccε(ν)* uel *ēπαιccεν ēπαιccε(ν)* fere codd.: *ēπαιc' ēπαιccε(ν)* FT.

⁸⁶ And possibly fr. 453.9 (*Cresph.* fr. 71.9 Austin) *⟨ĩθ'⟩ ĩθι μοι, πότνια, πόλιν* (*Papyrologica Florentina* 7 [1980], 59). A. Harder, *Euripides' Kresphontes and Archelaos* (1985), pp. 104–5, expresses reservations about a lekythion in an aeolic context (in addition to *Hi.* 67 and *El.* 153 which she cites see *Hi.* 530–540, 531–541; also K. Itsumi, *CQ* n.s. 34 [1984], 72–4) and about resolution of the penultimate long (which is found at *Hel.* 180, 199, 203, 373, *Ph.* 649 [s.u.l.], 652–671 [s.u.l.], 1286, 1288–1299, [*Ph.*] 1721).

(B) *Anadiplosis in other parts of speech which admit elision:*

- (a) when the first word is not elided, the second is not elided either: *Hi.* 61, 830, *Hec.* 1097, *Herc.* 115, 1042, *Tr.* 1312, 1327, *IT* 881 (s.u.l.), 894 (s.u.l.), *Ion* 1231 (Dindorf), *Hel.* 684, *Ph.* 190, 1298, [*Ph.*] 1720, 1721, *Or.* 140, 174, 182–3, 1373, *Ba.* 412, 578 (Hermann, Wecklein), 582, 584, 1182, 1198, *IA* 1487, 1524, *Rh.* 680. There are few exceptions: *Alc.* 270 τέκνα τέκν' (s.u.l.), *Ion* 1054 πότνια πότνι', [*Ph.*] 1725 δεινὰ δειν'.
- (b) when the first word is elided, the second may be elided (*Alc.* 414) or not elided* (*El.* 485, *Herc.* 1058 [s.u.l.], *IT* 864).

From this evidence two general rules may be formulated: (i) when the first word is not elided, the second is not elided either (this rule is observed in up to 48 passages and is broken possibly twice [*Alc.* 270 (s.u.l.), *Ion* 1054] and twice more in the non-Euripidean [*Ph.*] 1716 and 1725); (ii) when the first word is elided, the second may be elided (up to 6 instances) but is more commonly not elided (up to 16 instances).

The manuscripts of Euripides offer five instances⁸⁷ of anadiplosis in compound + simple verbs, and two further instances have been restored by conjectures which could be right. All of these instances conform to the rules just formulated: (i) when the first verb is not elided, the second is not elided either: *Alc.* 400 ὑπάκουσον ἄκουσον, *Ba.* 1065 κατήγεν ἦγεν ἦγεν (a unique instance of this figure outside lyrics); (ii) when the first verb is elided, the second may be elided (*Hec.* 167 ἀπωλέσας ὠλέσας, *Or.* 181 διοιχόμεθ' οἰχόμεθ')⁸⁸ or not elided (*Med.* 1252 κατῖδεν ἴδετε, *Su.* 811 προσάγει <ἄγετε> [Diggle],⁸⁹ *Ph.* 1350 ἀνάγει ἄγετε [Mastronarde: ἀνάγει ἀνάγετε codd.]).⁹⁰ Note also *Hi.* 1374 προσαπόλλυτέ μ' ὄλλυτε (προσαπόλλυτ' ἀπόλλυτε Wilamowitz).

We may now examine our four candidates:

- (a) ἀνίαχεν ἴαχεν conforms to rule (i) and may be compared with *Alc.* 400 ὑπάκουσον ἄκουσον and *Ba.* 1065 κατήγεν ἦγεν ἦγεν.
- (b) ἀνίαχεν ἴαχ' breaks rule (i).
- (c) ἀνίαχ' ἴαχεν conforms to rule (ii) and may be compared with *Med.* 1252 κατῖδεν ἴδετε.
- (d) ἀνίαχ' ἴαχ' conforms to rule (ii) and may be compared with *Hec.* 167 ἀπωλέσας ὠλέσας, *Or.* 181 διοιχόμεθ' οἰχόμεθ'.

Metre

To the uncertainty over the prosody of *ιαχ-* is added uncertainty over the exclamation which follows. The great majority of manuscripts has ὦμοι μοι, but a few have ἰώ μοι μοι. Although Biehl is wrong to say that C has ὦμοι, we had better consider this as a further alternative; likewise ἰώ μοι. All four forms of exclamation are found in Euripides.⁹¹

If we combine all four versions of the exclamation with all four versions of the anadiplosis, the number of theoretical combinations is 64.

⁸⁷ The variant συνέπεσ(εν) ἔπεσε at *Or.* 1309 is certainly wrong.

⁸⁸ We must follow Willink (and Biehl) in writing οἰχόμεθ' ᾶ for -μεθα.

⁸⁹ *GRBS* 14 (1973), 265, *Studies* 18–21, 119.

⁹⁰ The conjecture is neat, but it leaves a cretic (–κυτὸν ἐπι) interposed between dochmiacs (see above, pp. 107–109). If these lines are worth emending (I do not believe them to be Euripidean), we might accept the conjecture and follow it with ἐπὶ κάρᾳ <τίθε>τε, giving dochmiac and hypodochmiac twice.

⁹¹ See Willink *ad loc.*, and his Addenda, p. 362.

(A) *ĩā*

- (a) *á δ' ἀνιᾷχεν ἰᾷχεν*
 1 *Ωμοι μοι ---vvvvv--- (= 7) unattested
 2 *Ωμοι ---vvvvv--- (= 8) alc. decas.
 3 Ἰώ μοί μοι ---vvvvv--- da. pent. cat.
 4 Ἰώ μοι ---vvvvv--- da. tetr.
- (b) *á δ' ἀνιᾷχεν ἰᾷχ'*
 5 *Ωμοι μοι ---vvvvv--- da. tetr.
 6 *Ωμοι ---vvvvv--- da. tetr. cat.
 7 Ἰώ μοί μοι ---vvvvv--- (= 1) unattested
 8 Ἰώ μοι ---vvvvv--- (= 2) alc. decas.
- (c) *á δ' ἀνιᾷχ' ἰᾷχεν*
 9 *Ωμοι μοι ---vvv|vvv--- (= 15) do + v---
 10 *Ωμοι ---vvv|vvv--- (= 16) do + ba
 [11 Ἰώ μοί μοι ---vvvvv--- unacceptable]
 [12 Ἰώ μοι ---vvvvv--- unacceptable]
- (d) *á δ' ἀνιᾷχ' ἰᾷχ'*
 13 *Ωμοι μοι ---vvv|--- do + mol
 14 *Ωμοι ---vvv|--- do + sp
 15 Ἰώ μοί μοι ---vvv|vvv--- (= 9) do + v---
 16 Ἰώ μοι ---vvv|vvv--- (= 10) do + ba

(B) *ĩā*

- (a) *á δ' ἀνιᾷχεν ἰᾷχεν*
 17 *Ωμοι μοι -vv|-vv|-vv|--- (= 23) 3 cr + sp
 18 *Ωμοι -vv|-vv|-vv--- (= 24) 2 cr + tro
 19 Ἰώ μοί μοι -vv|-vv|-vv--- 2 cr + do
 [20 Ἰώ μοι -vvvvvvv--- unacceptable]
- (b) *á δ' ἀνιᾷχεν ἰᾷχ'*
 [21 *Ωμοι μοι -vvvvvvv--- unacceptable]
 22 *Ωμοι -vv|-vv|--- 2 cr + mol
 23 Ἰώ μοί μοι -vv|-vv|-vv|--- (= 17) 3 cr + sp
 24 Ἰώ μοι -vv|-vv|-vv--- (= 18) 2 cr + tro
- (c) *á δ' ἀνιᾷχ' ἰᾷχεν*
 [25 *Ωμοι μοι -vvvvvvv--- (= 31) unacceptable]
 26 *Ωμοι -vv|---|vvv--- (= 32) cr + mol + ba
 [27 Ἰώ μοί μοι -vvvvvvv--- unacceptable]
 [28 Ἰώ μοι -vvvvvvv--- unacceptable]
- (d) *á δ' ἀνιᾷχ' ἰᾷχ'*
 [29 *Ωμοι μοι -vvvvvvv--- unacceptable]
 [30 *Ωμοι -vvvvvvv--- unacceptable]
 [31 Ἰώ μοί μοι -vvvvvvv--- (= 25) unacceptable]
 32 Ἰώ μοι -vv|---|vvv--- (= 26) cr + mol + ba

(C) *ĩā*

- (a) *á δ' ἀνιᾷχεν ἀνιᾷχεν*
 33 *Ωμοι μοι -vvvvvvv|--- (= 39, 43) do + mol
 34 *Ωμοι -vvvvvvv|--- (= 40, 44) do + sp⁹²
 35 Ἰώ μοί μοι -vvvvvvv|vvv--- (cf. 9, 15)
 36 Ἰώ μοι -vvvvvvv|vvv--- do + v---
 do + ba
- (b) *á δ' ἀνιᾷχεν ἰᾷχ'*
 37 *Ωμοι μοι -vvv|vvv--- (= 41, 47) cr + do
 38 *Ωμοι -vvvvv|vvv--- (= 42, 48) ia + ba
 39 Ἰώ μοί μοι -vvvvvvv|--- (= 33, 43) do + mol

⁹² Or -vvvvv|vvv--- 2 tro.

- 40 Ἰώ μοι - - - - - | - - (= 34, 44) do + sp⁹²
- (c) á δ' ἀνιᾶχ' ἰᾶχεν
- 41 Ὡ μοι μοι - - - | - - - - - (= 37, 47) cr + do
- 42 Ὡ μοι - - - - - | - - (= 38, 48) ia + ba
- 43 Ἰώ μοί μοι - - - - - | - - - (= 33, 39) do + mol
- 44 Ἰώ μοι - - - - - | - - (= 34, 40) do + sp⁹²
- (d) á δ' ἀνιᾶχ' ἰᾶχ'
- 45 Ὡ μοι μοι - - - - - | - - do + sp
- 46 Ὡ μοι - - - - - | - - ia + sp
- 47 Ἰώ μοί μοι - - - | - - - - - (= 37, 41) cr + do
- 48 Ἰώ μοι - - - - - | - - (= 38, 42) ia + ba

(D) ἰᾶ

- (a) á δ' ἀνιᾶχεν ἰᾶχεν
- [49] Ὡ μοι μοι - - - - - - - - unacceptable]
- [50] Ὡ μοι - - - - - - - - unacceptable]
- [51] Ἰώ μοί μοι - - - - - - - - unacceptable]
- [52] Ἰώ μοι - - - - - - - - unacceptable]
- (b) á δ' ἀνιᾶχεν ἰᾶχ'
- 53 Ὡ μοι μοι - - - - - - - - glyc + sp
- 54 Ὡ μοι - - - - - - - - hipponactean
- [55] Ἰώ μοί μοι - - - - - - - - unacceptable]
- [56] Ἰώ μοι - - - - - - - - unacceptable]
- (c) á δ' ἀνιᾶχ' ἰᾶχεν
- 57 Ὡ μοι μοι - - - - - - - - (= 63) ch dim + sp
- 58 Ὡ μοι - - - | - - - - - (= 64) cr + do
- [59] Ἰώ μοί μοι - - - - - - - - unacceptable]
- [60] Ἰώ μοι - - - - - - - - unacceptable]
- (d) á δ' ἀνιᾶχ' ἰᾶχ'
- 61 Ὡ μοι μοι - - - | - - - - - | - - cr + ia + sp
- 62 Ὡ μοι - - - - - | - - - - 2 tro
- 63 Ἰώ μοί μοι - - - - - - - - (= 57) ch dim + sp
- 64 Ἰώ μοι - - - | - - - - - (= 58) cr + do

Conclusions

á δ' ἀνιᾶχεν ἰᾶχεν. Ὡ μοι μοι is much the best attested reading, and ἀνιᾶχεν ἰᾶχεν accords with Euripidean style. I comment in turn on the three possible metrical analyses (1, 17, 33).

1 - - - - - - - - - - . Such a colon is unattested. And it is not usual for - - - - - to follow directly on dactyls. There is a possible instance at *Andr.* 834–5 ~ 838–9 - - - - - - - - - - | - - - - - .⁹³ As a clausular rhythm, - - - - - appears, after a linking anceps, in the sequence ... (- -) - - - - - (- -) × | - - - - - (*Herc.* 896–8, 908–9, - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - | - - - - - ; perhaps *Herc.* 1077 - - - - - - - | - - - - - ;⁹⁴ *Tr.* 282–3 - - - - - - - - - - | - - - - - ; 286–7 - - - - - - - - - - | - - - - - ; *Ion* 1508–9 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - | - - - - - ; *Rh.* 527–8 ~ 546–7 - - - - - - - - - - | - - - - - ;⁹⁵ *Phaethon* 234–5 ~ 243–4 - - - - - - - - - - | - - - - - ; 272–3 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - | - - - - - ; fr. 911.3–4 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - | - - - - - ; *S. El.* 486–7 ~ 502–3 - - - - - - - - - - | - - - - - ; *OT* 1096–7 ~ 1108–9 - - - - - - - - - - | - - - - -).⁹⁶ A very partial analogy for the sequence

⁹³ See *ICS* 6 (1981), 95–8, *CQ* n.s. 33 (1983), 347, Stinton, *JHS* 97 (1977), 143.

⁹⁴ If we accept Willink's *εὐγγόνων* for *εὐγγονον* (*CQ* n.s. 38 [1988], 97).

⁹⁵ See *ICS* 6 (1981), 91 with n. 25.

⁹⁶ Note also (in a dactylo-epitrite context) *Tr.* 515 ~ 535 - - - - - - - - - - | - - - - - . I should not accept the transmitted text of *Ph.* 309, where - - - - - appears as a clausula to (and in synapheia with) dochmiacs, but (like Murray) should accept Fritzsche's transposition.

---|---|--- is provided by the colon ---|---|--- (Andr. 857, 862, *Ion* 1494, *Hel.* 657, 680, 681, *Hyps.* fr. 64.94 [p. 48 Bond]).⁹⁷

17 ---|---|---. The cretics are well suited to the context. For the final spondee compare *Herc.* 131-2 ---|---|--- and *Hel.* 231 ---|---|---, as well as ---|---|--- at *Alc.* 401~413, *Su.* 781~789, *IT* 400~415,⁹⁸ and ---|---|--- at *Ph.* 320-1. Willink (p. 362) objects to the 'unparalleled pattern of overlaps' (\bar{a} δ' ἀντᾶχέν τᾶχέν ὠ|μοῖ μοῖ). It is true that cretics, when they come in series, often stay within the boundaries of the metron: so *Cycl.* 659 τύφετ' ὦ|καίετ' ὦ, *Hi.* 362 αἶες ὦ|ἐκλυες ὦ ~ 669 τάλανες ὦ|κακοτυχεῖς, *Hec.* 1080 ναῦς ὅπως|ποντοῖς|πέϊμασιν|λινόκροκον, 1100 ἀμπάμενος|οὐράν-ιον|ὑψιπετές|ἐς μέλαθρον, *Herc.* 135 Ἑλλάς ὦ|ξυμμάχους, 742 χαρ-μοναῖ|δακρύων ~ 757 τίς ὁ θεοὺς|ἀνομίαι, *IT* 647 σέ δέ τύχας|μάκαρος ὦ|νεανία, 832 κατὰ δέ δάκρυ|κατὰ δέ γόος|ᾗμα χαρᾶι,⁹⁹ *Or.* 316 δρομάδες ὦ|πτεροφόροι ~ 333 τίς ἔλεος|τίς ὁδ' ἄγών, *Rh.* 682 τίς ὁ λόχος;|πόθεν ἔβας;|ποδαπὸς εἶ;. But they also regularly overstep the metron: *Andr.* 275-6 ἐς νάπαν|ῆλθ' ὁ Μαῖας τε καὶ Διὸς τόκος ~ 285-6 πιδάκων|νύβαν αἰ|γλάντα σώματα ῥοαῖς, *Herc.* 386 δυστράπει|ζοι πέραν ~ 399 ἔλικ' ἐφρού|ρει κτανών, *Tr.* 1091-2 Μᾶτερ ὦ|μοι μόναν|δὴ μ' Ἀχαιοὶ κομίζουσι|κέθεν ἀπ' ὁμμάτων ~ 1110-11 μῆδ' εἰ|θάν ποτ' ἔλθοι Λάκαι|ναν πατρώϊόν τε θάλαμον ἐστίας, *IT* 849 ἐξεθρέ|ψω φάος, *Ion* 1449 πόθεν ἐλάβο|μεν χαράν, *Ph.* 316 περιχορεῖ|ουσα τέριψιν παλαι|ᾶν λάβω, 320 ἡ ποθει|νὸς φίλοις, 1524-5 τὴν ἀπὸ πρῶ|τον ἐπὶ χαί|τας σπαργ|μοῖς ἀπαρ|χὰς βάλω, *Or.* 1377 πόντον ὦ|κεανὸς ὄν, 1419 μὴ τις εἴ|η δόλος, 1421 τοῖς δ' ἐς ἀρ|κυστάταν, 1424 ματροφόν|τας δράκων. In the anadiplosis ἀνίαχεν ἴαχεν the syllables which are repeated occupy the same positions in successive metra (τᾶχεν *bis*), which is crucial for the rhetorical balance.

33 ---|---|---. This is a rare form of dochmiac: almost certainly to be accepted at *Herc.* 1085, *IT* 870, *Or.* 1305, *IA* 1290, less certainly at *Ph.* 1533, and certainly not at *Tr.* 325.¹⁰⁰ A possible, but far from certain, parallel for dochmiac followed by molossus is 1414-15 ἔβαλον ἔβαλον Ἑλένας ἄμφω.¹⁰¹

Of these three candidates 33 does not appeal; 1 though unique cannot be entirely discounted; and 17 has some appeal. It remains to consider whether a change in the text will produce a yet more appealing candidate.

2 (= 8) ---|---|--- (alcaic decasyllable, as *Hec.* 952, *El.* 486, 1226 ~ 1232, *Ion* 1049 ~ 1062, *Rh.* 536-7 ~ 555-6¹⁰²) is obtained (in 2) by dropping μοι¹⁰³ (parallels for the interpolation would be *Ph.* 1493 and 1551, where many or most of the manuscripts have ὦμοι μοι for ὦμοι).

3 ---|---|--- (dactylic pentameter catalectic, as *Cycl.* 620, *El.* 452 ~ 464, *Hel.* 384, *Ph.* 1491 and possibly 831-2¹⁰⁴) has a clausular cadence not attested in this length

⁹⁷ See *PCPS* n.s. 20 (1974), 15, Dale, *Lyric Metres*, p. 171.

⁹⁸ And possibly *Cycl.* 77 (Fritzsche); but not *Or.* 1447, which is corrupt or lacunose. At *Or.* 1401-2, where it is difficult to make metrical sense of the transmitted text, I hazard λέοντες Ἑλλανες|δύο διδύμοι (MOMt: -ω cett.) <ῥυθμῶι> (---|---||---|---).

⁹⁹ For an alternative dochmiac interpretation (with Dindorf's δάκρυ<α>) see *Studies* 20, Willink, *CQ* n.s. 39 (1989), 46.

¹⁰⁰ See *Dionysiaca* (n. 42 above), p. 166, where I wrongly said that *IA* 1290 is iambic.

¹⁰¹ See above, p. 108. For the position of the repeated element in the dochmiac see p. 109 (under (b)).

¹⁰² See Dale, *Lyric Metres*, p. 181.

¹⁰³ Wilamowitz (*Verskunst*, p. 271 n. 1) appears to have contemplated the deletion of μοι, but his analysis would then have been ---|---|--- (as 18).

¹⁰⁴ This assumes the division -ρας μεταμειβομένα πόλις ᾄδ' ἐπ' ἄκροις|, which will then be followed in 833 by ἔστακ' Ἀρηίους στεφάνοιςιν (---|---|---), an unwelcome length (but an acceptable colon can be restored by ἔστακ' Ἀρείους στεφάνοιςιν [fere Brunck ('Ἀρηίους)] or

but found in the commoner catalectic tetrameter (*Ion* 1484, *Ph.* 121, 192, *Or.* 1381 "Ἴλιον Ἴλιον ὦμοι μοι) and in a catalectic hexameter at *Andr.* 274 ~ 284 (and possibly *Ph.* 831–2).¹⁰⁵ Willink suggests that the same colon might be restored at 1300 ἐλθ' ἐπίκουρος ἐμοῖσι φίλοις (φίλοις Cr, as Willink had conjectured) πάντως. But I see no cause to remove the praxilleian (for which see *Alc.* 568–9 ~ 578–9, possibly *Su.* 599 ~ 609,¹⁰⁶ *Tr.* 1070 ~ 1080, *Ion* 1075 ~ 1091, possibly *Or.* 1369).¹⁰⁷

4 – – – – – is a straightforward dactylic tetrameter of common shape (*Hi.* 1124 ~ 1137, 1129 ~ 1140, *Andr.* 1174 ~ 1187, 1182 ~ 1195), but it requires ἰώ μοι [μοι].

5–8 may be ruled out of consideration, since ἀνίαχεν ἴαχ' gives an unattested pattern of anadiplosis.

9 – – – – –| – – – – is attested at *Herc.* 1024 and *Rh.* 832 (~†466†), where we have the choice of analysing as dochmiac + – – – – or as aeolo-choriambic.¹⁰⁸ In both places the colon is clausular to the stanza. It is not welcome here.

10 – – – – –| – – – – (do + ba) is, in theory, an acceptable combination.¹⁰⁹ But, when this combination occurs, the dochmiac nowhere takes the form – – – – –. The most probable instances are *Alc.* 874 ~ 891 (– – – – –| – – – – [unless – – – – –| – – – –]), 877 ~ 894 (– – – – –| – – – –), *Su.* 804 ~ 817 (– – – – –| – – – –), *Ph.* 300 (– – – – –| – – – –), *Or.* 1012 (– – – – –| – – – –), fr. 117, 118, 119 (all – – – – –| – – – –).¹¹⁰ See T. C. W. Stinton, *BICS* 22 (1975), 84–8, who observes (after Wilamowitz) that 'initial short appears to be characteristic of this verse'. In any case, – – – – –| – – – – would naturally be taken as aeolo-choriambic (like *S. Ai.* 701 ~ 714, *OC* 130 ~ 161),¹¹¹ a rhythm alien to the context.

13 – – – – –| – – – – (do + mol) is not certainly attested (see on 33 above). Nor is 14 – – – – –| – – – –.¹¹² For 15 and 16 see on 9 and 10.

18 – – – – –| – – – – has little to commend it.¹¹³

19 – – – – –| – – – – – gives a sequence (2 cr + do) found at *Hi.* 362 ~ 668, *Herc.* 742 ~ 757, *Or.* 317–18 ~ 333–4.¹¹⁴

21–4 may be ruled out for the same reason as 5–8.

26 and 32 – – – – –| – – – – – interpose an unwelcome molossus. I know no parallel for a molossus in the middle of a trimeter (Murray's text of *Alc.* 595 ~ 604 is unacceptable).

34 if taken as – – – – –| – – – – – introduces a rare form of dochmiac (see on 33 above) and adds an unwelcome (and unparalleled) spondee;¹¹⁵ the alternative trochaic analysis (– – – – –| – – – – –) has little appeal.

ἔστακ' Ἄρεος στεφάνοισιν [Porson]). Alternatively, divide – ρας μεταμειβομένα πόλις ἄδ' ἐπ' ἄκροισ ἔστακ' | Ἀργείοις (or Ἀρείοις) στεφάνοισιν (for the catalectic hexameter see immediately below).¹⁰⁵ See n. 104. ¹⁰⁶ See *GRBS* 14 (1973), 250–2.

¹⁰⁷ I see even less cause for ἐμοῖς (JMnRRwST), adopted by Murray, giving an encomiologus (– – – – –| – – – – –), which belongs among dactylo-epitrites (as *Ion* 1504, fr. 901.1) and is less well suited as a continuation after the preceding dactylic tetrameter. In dactylic lengths the clausular – – – – – does not abut directly onto dactyls ending in double short (hence *Rh.* 530 ~ 550 should be divided – – – – –| – – – – –| – – – – –| – – – – – [see *Studies* 102, 121; W. Ritchie, *The Authenticity of the Rhesus of Euripides* (1964), pp. 314–15], and we must reject Murray's text of *IA* 1485–6), but may follow after catalexis (see above, p. 115). I add that ἐλθ' ἐπίκουρος ἐμοῖς φίλοις πάντως would provide a parallel for candidate 1; but I do not recommend it.

¹⁰⁸ See *PCPS* n.s. 20 (1974), 15–16; Bond on *Herc.* 1024; West, *BICS* 28 (1981), 62, *CQ* n.s. 32 (1982), 285–6, *Greek Metre* (1982), pp. 100, 111. Willink (*CQ* n.s. 38 [1988], 94) introduces a second dochmiac in both *Herc.* 1024 and *Rh.* 832. I shall deal with the corruption in *Rh.* 466 (~832) elsewhere. ¹⁰⁹ See n. 27 above.

¹¹⁰ On fr. 117 see M. Hose, *Mus. Crit.* 21–2 (1987), 143–4.

¹¹¹ See Dale, *Lyric Metres*, p. 140. ¹¹² For the alleged spondee see n. 35 above.

¹¹³ See n. 103 above.

¹¹⁴ See above, p. 107.

¹¹⁵ See n. 35 above.

35–6, besides introducing the same rare dochmiac as 33 and 34, add the same unwelcome elements as 9 and 10.

37–40 may be ruled out for the same reason as 5–8.

41 –○○○|○○-- (cr + do) is an attested combination.¹¹⁶

42 –○○○○|○-- (ia + ba) is perfectly acceptable.

43 is the same rare dochmiac as 33, followed by molossus, as 13.

44 is subject to the same strictures as 34.

45 adds an unwelcome spondee after the dochmiac (see on 34).

46 adds an unwelcome spondee after the resolved iambic metron (in the examples of the sequence ia + sp given above on 17 the iambic metron is not resolved).

47 is like 41, 48 like 42.

53–4 would be acceptable if there were any trace of aeolo-choriambics hereabouts (53 like *Su.* 957 ~ 965, *IT* 1093 ~ 1110, *Ion* 1060 ~ 1073),¹¹⁷ but in any case are ruled out, as are 55–6, for the same reason as 5–8.

57–60 can be saved if (like Di Benedetto) we contemplate *brevis in longo* (–○○–○○) and take the exclamation *extra metrum*, an unconvincing expedient, since the exclamation is not an isolated utterance by the Phrygian. Again, aeolo-choriambic interpretation of 57 (cf. *Hi.* 147 ~ 157, *El.* 174 ~ 197, 434 ~ 444)¹¹⁸ and 58 (cf. *S. Ai.* 181 ~ 192) can be discounted. Treatment of 58 as cr + do (see on 41) does not appeal, since this shape of dochmiac (○–○○–) is probably unexampled.¹¹⁹

61 –○–|○○○|– is an unwelcome length, but 62 (2 tro) would be acceptable.

63 and 64 are the same as 57 and 58.

In conclusion: I see no merit in eliding the termination of one or both of ἀνίαχεν ἴαχεν, since neither ἀνίαχ' ἴαχεν nor ἀνίαχ' ἴαχ' (the two versions entailing elision which accord with Euripidean usage) yields metre which is preferable to metre which is yielded by the unelided forms. I should not scruple to alter the exclamation ὦμοι μοι, if alteration were to yield metre which is preferable. The variant Ἰώ μοί μοι could, indeed, be right, although ὦμοι is much more commonly corrupted to ἰώ μοι than is ἰώ μοι to ὦμοι.¹²⁰ If we accept the majority reading, I should not exclude the possibility that 1–○○–○○– is right (the exclamation may be held to account for the anomalous clausula), but it may be wise to prefer 17–○–|○–|○–|○–. If we accept the variant ἰώ μοί μοι, we should probably follow Willink and adopt 3–○○–○○–. Of the other possibilities I have most sympathy for 2–○○–○○– and 4–○○–○○–.

1488–90

ὑπὸ σκότον δ' ἐφεύγομεν
νεκροὶ δ' ἐπιπτον, οἱ δ' ἔμελλον, οἱ δ' ἔκειντ'.
ἔμολε δ' ἅ τ' αἰών' Ἑρμιόνα δόμους...

Willink (Addenda, p. 363) records a proposal of mine to interchange 1488 and 1489: νεκροὶ δ' ἐπιπτον, οἱ δ' ἔμελλον, οἱ δ' ἔκεινθ' | ὑπὸ σκότον δ' ἐφεύγομεν. | ἔμολε δ' κτλ. Here are my reasons. First, the sequence of thought is improved: 'Men began to fall dead, or were about to fall, or had fallen – and we (the survivors) ran for cover' is more logical than 'We ran for cover – and/but men began to fall dead...'¹²¹ More

¹¹⁶ See above, p. 107.

¹¹⁷ See Dale, *Lyric Metres*, p. 155.

¹¹⁸ See Dale, *Lyric Metres*, p. 140.

¹¹⁹ Neither of the two instances alleged by N. C. Conomis, *Hermes* 92 (1964), 27, is to be counted as dochmiac.

¹²⁰ See Willink, p. 362.

¹²¹ Since Wecklein (III. vi [1902], p. 90) attributes to Elmsley a proposal to delete οἱ δ' ἔκειντ', I had better say that what Elmsley proposed (on *Hcl.* 838) was πολλοί for νεκροί. Wecklein was misled by Blaydes (*Adversaria critica in Eur.* [1901], p. 418).

important, the transmitted sequence, iambic trimeter elided before dochmiacs at a strong sense-pause, is metrically intolerable.¹²²

Contrast the following, where there is no pause between trimeter and dochmiacs and yet period-end is demonstrable (because of hiatus and/or *brevis in longo*): *Hec.* 699–700 ἐκβλητον ἡ πέσιμα φοινίου δορὸς|ἐν ψαμάθωι λευραῖ, *IT* 843–4 δέδοικα δ' ἐκ χερῶν με μὴ πρὸς αἰθέρᾳ|ἀμπτάμενος φύγηι, *Ion* 1452–3 μῶν οὐκ ἔχειν μ' ἔχουσα; :: τὰς γὰρ ἐλπίδας|ἀπέβαλον πρόσω, *Ph.* 148–9 λοχαγός, ὡς ὄχλος νιν ὑστέρωι ποδὶ|πάνοπλος ἀμφέπει, 168–9 ὅπλοισι χρυσεόισιν ἐκπρεπής, γέρων,|ἐώϊοις ὅμοια φλεγέθων βολαῖς [ἀελίου],¹²³ *Ba.* 1161–2 τὸν καλλίνικον κλεινὸν ἐξεπράξατέ|ἐς στόνον ἐς δάκρυα, *Rh.* 697–8 ὅστις δι' ὀρφνης ἦλθ' ἀδειμάντῳ ποδὶ|διὰ τε τάξεων καὶ φυλάκων ἔδρα.

An iambic trimeter so elided at sense-pause can be followed only by an iambic colon (compare *Su.* 923–4 ἐγὼ δὲ γηροβοσκὸν οὐκ ἔχω, τεκοῦς'|ἀ τάλαινα παῖδα, *El.* 1183–4 διὰ πυρὸς ἔμολον ἀ τάλαινα ματρὶ ταῖδ',|ἄ μ' ἔτικτε κούραν, the only other elided trimeters known to me). With 1489 before 1488 we have a period of five iambic metra, like 1481–2 ὃν εἶδον εἶδον ἐν πύλαις (Murray: πύλαισι codd.) *Πριαμίει*· φας|γάνων δ' ἀκμάς συνήψαμεν (alternatively divisible at πύλαισι)¹²⁴ and 1498–9 τὰ δ' ὕστερ' οὐκέτ' οἶδα· δραπέταν (Willink: -την codd.) γὰρ ἐξ|ἐκλεπτον ἐκ δόμων πόδα (alternatively divisible at δρα|πέταν).¹²⁵

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¹²² Murray's text of *Hel.* 637 presents a *catalectic* iambic trimeter elided, at sense-pause, before dochmiacs, an even greater anomaly, and generally recognised as impossible (see, most recently, Willink, *CQ* n.s. 39 [1989], 52–3). Nor should I accept Murray's text of *Ph.* 294–5 τὸν οἴκοθεν νόμον ἐβουσα·|ἔβας ὦ χρόνῳ γὰν πατρώϊαν. There is no parallel for elision of an iambic dimeter before an iambic line beginning with a bacchiac, and such elision at a strong sense-pause is unthinkable. To write *ἐβουσα* (so Mastronarde and others) gives an unparalleled length. Write *ἐέβουσα νόμον*. Parallels for resolution in the last element of the dimeter, at sense-pause, are given by L. P. E. Parker, *CQ* n.s. 18 (1968), 255. A comparable phenomenon is resolution before change of metre, as in *Tr.* 565, *Ion* 212–230, *Ba.* 1170–1186.

¹²³ See above, p. 108.

¹²⁴ The manuscripts mostly divide at *Πριαμίει*|(none at πύλαισι|). Murray's conjecture (accepted by Willink) is a small price to pay for avoidance of the metrical analyses offered by other editors.

¹²⁵ HMB and others divide at ἐξ|ἐκλεπτον, and I take this to be the Alexandrian division (see above, p. 111). Most of the others divide at οἶδα|or γὰρ|, none at δρα|πέτην.