ABSTRACT

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This study analyzed realization of verbs in Ambon Malay by using the theory of morphological typology. This research was conducted using the descriptive qualitative approach. The data were collected through questionnaire and elicitation techniques. Questionnaire was shared to 30 respondents, while interview was done with 6 informants. The two techniques were done by using three main instruments; interview guidelines, recording equipment, and writing equipment. An interactive model of data analysis was used to analyze the data. The collected and analyzed data in this study were 200 verbs in Ambon Malay. The data analysis shows that a small number of these verbs are inflected by four verb-formation affixes which are {meN-}, {baR-}, {taR-}, and {baku-}. Whilst, most verbs are realized without affixes. This typical structure show that there must be morpheme deletion of prefix {di-}, suffixes {-i}, and circumfixes {di-kan}, {di-i}, {meN-kan}, {meN-i}, {memper-kan}, {memper-i} in Ambon Malay. Thus, Ambon Malay is categorized into a semi-isolating language.

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