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On the Proof Passage of the *Carakasamhitā*: Editions, Manuscripts and Commentaries

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Without any doubt the *Carakasamhitā* – being primarily a treatise on internal medicine (*kāyacikitsā*), but also dealing with all topics of early Indian medicine – also represents one of the richest early sources for the history of Indian philosophy in general, epistemology, dialectics, logic, early Indian education, cultural and social history, as well as cultural anthropology. As already pointed out many times, in the eighth chapter of the third book of the *Carakasamhitā*, the *Vimānasthāna*, we come across a section discussing the method of debate (*saṃbhāṣāvidhi*). It depicts, in a very lively manner, the “parley of specialists” (*tadvidyasambhāṣā*)¹ with its two sub-forms, the “friendly parley” (*sandhūyasambhāṣā* or *anulomasambhāṣā*) and the “hostile parley” (*virghyasambhāṣā*).² It has already been emphasized that after this vivid description of debate practice, the following text changes stylistically and terminologically, continuing with a list of forty-four basic topics of debate (*vūdamārgapada*)³ followed by brief definitions and short examples, pointing to an adapted compilation of definitions from an earlier source that concerned debate.⁴

¹ CS *Vimānasthāna* 8.15f.

² Cf. Roth 1872; Kang 1998; Prets 2000: 369ff.; and TPhSI 2 s.v.

³ CS *Vimānasthāna* 8.27. For interpretations of the individual topics cf. Solomon 1976: 78-87; TPhSI 1 and 2 s.v.; and Prets 2000: 371ff.

⁴ CS *Vimānasthāna* 8.28-65.

The importance of this passage and its relation to the section in the *Nyāyasūtra* that refers to dialectical and logical terms was realized quite early⁵ and its technical terminology was contrasted with other early texts.⁶ However, the authors who were engaged in the analyses of the *saṃbhāṣāvidhi* did not work through the text very critically nor in great detail. For various reasons none of them analyzed the text using appropriate philological criteria with the exception of Hakuju Ui, who tried – obviously after having recognized that deviating readings of the passage existed – to prepare a sort of critical edition for his own purposes.⁷ The ambiguity of the transmitted text can already be seen by the fact that the study of this subject matter in the secondary literature is based on varying textual evidence.⁸ Even the list of the topics of debate referred to by these authors diverges, as for example in the positioning of “example” (*dr̥ṣṭānta*), listed by some following “answer” (*uttara*),⁹ and by others between “reason” (*hetu*) and “application” (*upanaya*)¹⁰ as

⁵ Cf. e.g. Vidyabhusana 1920: 31-35; Dasgupta 1922: 377ff.

⁶ Cf. Tucci 1929: xvi-xxii.

⁷ Ui 1925 used copies of six editions of the *Carakasamhitā* for the compilation of a “critical” text. Ui mentions only editor, place of edition and year of edition. Four of these editions could be identified: CS 1877, CS 1878/79 (= 2nd edition of CS 1868) CS 1896 (= 2nd edition of CS 1877; in comparison to the first edition which is based on a manuscript of the Kashmiri recension, the second edition is based on manuscripts of the eastern recension; cf. the discussion of recension below), and CS 1897-98. The other two editions could not be identified with certainty. One of these two editions, that by Harinath Sankar, Calcutta without date, may be the edition by Yashodanandan Sarkar, Calcutta 1894 or the edition by Harinatha Visharada that includes the *Āyurvedadīpikā*, Calcutta 1892-1919. The other edition, Calcutta 1882, of which Ui does not mention the editor, may be the edition including translation by Avinashacandra Kaviratna Kaviraj, Calcutta 1884/85. But these suggestions regarding the two unidentified editions are only speculative.

⁸ Cf. e.g. Vidyabhusana 1920, Dasgupta 1922 or Frauwallner 1984: 70 with Solomon 1976, TPhSI 1 and 2 s.v., Kang 1998: 133, or Prets 2000: 371, fn. 9.

⁹ CS 1877, p. 300,13-16: *imāni khalu padāni vādamūrgajñānārtham adhi-gamyūni* | ... *hetuḥ upanayo nigamanam uttaram dr̥ṣṭāntaḥ siddhāntaḥ* ...

¹⁰ CS Vimānasthāna 8.27: *imāni tu khalu padāni bhiṣagvādamūrga-jñānārtham adhi-gamyūni* ... *hetuḥ, dr̥ṣṭāntaḥ, upanayaḥ, nigamanam, uttaram, siddhāntaḥ* ...

the sequence is found in the members of proof (*avayava*) in the *Nyāyasūtra*.¹¹

It is remarkable that in the list of debate topics many of the *Carakasamhitā* editions of the 19th century, “example” (*dr̥ṣṭānta*) is listed following “answer” (*uttara*) and before “accomplished doctrine” (*siddhānta*),¹² whereas most of the editions of the 20th century display the other reading, i.e., “example” between “reason” and “application” in the sequence of proof terms.¹³ It should also be mentioned that all manuscripts considered in our study so far support the former reading.¹⁴ In contrast to other, later editions and the 19th-century edition of the *Jalpakaḥpataru* of Gaṅgādhara Kavirāja that support the latter reading,¹⁵ earlier editions of the *Carakasamhitā* together with the *Āyurvedadīpikā* of Cakrapāṇidatta (about AD 1100) also support the former reading.¹⁶

A problem to be taken even more seriously is seen in connection with the manner of proof, in which of the two, as yet, recognised readings of the editions, the formulation of example (*dr̥ṣṭānta*) and application (*upanaya*) would lead to different conclusions regarding the early manner of proof, a fact already pointed out by Oetke.¹⁷ In the manuscripts and all the editions which have – according to the manuscripts – “example” (*dr̥ṣṭānta*) following

¹¹ Cf. NSū 1.1.32: *pratijñāhetūdāharaṇopanayanigamanāny avayavāḥ*.

¹² Cf. e.g. CS 1877 above, CS 1884/85, CS 1897-98.

¹³ Cf. e.g. CS above; although according to his introduction (cf. p. 17) the editor of the CS used the Lahore manuscripts (cf. Ch, below footnote 31) for his edition, which is confirmed by some variant readings found in the footnotes of the CS, he did not record the deviating order of the items of the list as found in this manuscript. It is remarkable that all other editors who present the position of *dr̥ṣṭānta* between *hetu* and *upanaya* do not point out the existence of an alternative order elsewhere.

¹⁴ Cf. e.g. Ch (DAV College, Chandigarh, Lalchand Research Library, Ms. no. 2315) fol. 164^r, 4f.: ... *pratijñā sthāpanā pratiṣṭhāpanā hetuḥ upanayo nigamanam uttaram dr̥ṣṭāntaḥ siddhāntaḥ* ...

¹⁵ Cf. CS 1878/79 (with JKT) and CS 1927-33 (with ĀD and JKT).

¹⁶ Cf. e.g. CS 1892-1919 (with ĀD) and CS 1922 (with ĀD).

¹⁷ Cf. Oetke 1994: 38 and 81f.

“answer” (*uttara*) in the list and definition section, the example in the proof (*sthūpanū*) and the counterproof (*pratiṣṭhūpanū*) verbally exemplifies both properties: the property to be proved (*sādhya*) and the proving property (*sādhana*), and is accordingly also followed by a different reading of the application (*upanaya*).¹⁸ In contrast to this reading, in Gaṅgādhara’s edition¹⁹ and in most of the later editions the example mentions only the exemplifying object without adducing the two respective properties, whereas these properties are explicitly formulated in the application.²⁰

Although there are more than forty editions of the *Caraka-saṃhitā* dating from the middle of the 19th century up to the last few years,²¹ and new editions are even now in progress, a critical edition of the text has yet to be made. Contrary to all expectations, several editions of the *Carakasamhitā* are seemingly not based on new material at all. They present rather – and this situation can already be seen from the beginning of the 20th century – secondary or even tertiary compilations of texts previously edited. Only very few of these editions offer variations of the manuscripts and thus could theoretically be called critical. The few critical remarks are rather incidental, as is also the case in the perhaps most-quoted

¹⁸ Cf. e.g. CS 1877, p. 301,6-15: *sthūpanū ... yathā nityaḥ puruṣa iti pratijñā, hetur akṛtakatvād iti, drṣṭāntaḥ – akṛtakam ūkāśaṃ tac ca nityam, upanayo yathā cūkrītakam ūkāśaṃ tathā puruṣaḥ, nigamanan tasmān nitya iti. pratiṣṭhūpanū ... yathānityaḥ puruṣa iti pratijñā, hetur aindriyakatvāt, drṣṭānto ghaṭaḥ aindriyakāḥ sa cūnityaḥ, upanayo yathā ghaṭaḥ tathā puruṣas tasmād anitya iti. Cf. the same textual reading with minor variants in Ch fol. 164^v,4-7. In this way also CS 1892-1919 (with ĀD), CS 1922 (with ĀD), CS 1970.*

¹⁹ Cf. CS 1878/79.

²⁰ CS Vimānasthāna 8.31f. (with ĀDī): *sthūpanū ... yathā – nityaḥ puruṣa iti pratijñā; hetuḥ – akṛtakatvād iti; drṣṭāntaḥ – yathācūkāśam iti; upanayaḥ – yathā cūkrītakam ūkāśaṃ tac ca nityam tathā puruṣa iti; nigamanan – tasmān nitya iti. pratiṣṭhūpanū ... yathā – anityaḥ puruṣa iti pratijñā, hetuḥ – aindriyakatvād iti, drṣṭāntaḥ – yathā ghaṭaḥ iti, upanayo yathā ghaṭa aindriyakāḥ sa cūnityaḥ, tathā cāyam iti, nigamanan – tasmād anitya iti. Cf. the same textual reading with minor variants in CS 1878/79 (with JKT), CS 1920-22 (with CU), CS 1927-33 (with ĀD and JKT) and CS 1983-88.*

²¹ Cf. Meulenbeld 1999, 1B: 3-6.

edition of the *Carakasamhitā*, namely Trikamji's edition of 1941, upon which translations of the *Carakasamhitā* are based today.²²

The irregularity of the texts of the *saṃbhāṣāvidhi* in its various editions as shown in the above examples also continues in the thirty-six manuscripts containing the *Vimānasthāna* that have been considered in our study thus far. In addition to this, there are more than a hundred other variant readings in the usual editions alone, to which must be added those variants that are seen in the manuscripts and in the oldest surviving commentary, Cakrapāṇidatta's *Āyurvedadīpikā*.

Consequently, the decision was made to undertake the project of a critical edition and annotated translation of the eighth chapter of the *Vimānasthāna* of the *Carakasamhitā* with the collaboration of Karin Preisendanz and funded by the Austrian Science Fund.²³ It has been decided to take all available manuscripts and editions, as well as the preserved commentaries into account.

Before going into the details of the subject matter of proof and counterproof, some remarks on the collection of manuscripts and the manuscript situation with regard to the *Carakasamhitā* in general should be added: At the moment the project is aware of about two hundred existing manuscripts of the *Carakasamhitā* and its commentaries, in part consisting only of chapters of the text or even smaller sections. The collection of manuscripts which has been drawn together in Vienna amounts to about ninety manuscripts, partly on microfilm, partly photocopied and partly in digital form, of which thirty-seven contain the relevant section of the *Vimānasthāna*. Unfortunately, only one manuscript of Cakrapāṇidatta's *Āyurvedadīpikā* containing the complete text of *Vimānasthāna* 8 (CĀ) is available and regrettably this copy of the manuscript is largely illegible in relevant portions.²⁴

²² Cf. e.g. CS 1976-97 and CS 1981-94.

²³ Fonds zur Förderung der wissenschaftlichen Forschung, Project no. P 14451, direction: Karin Preisendanz.

²⁴ National Library, Kolkata, Ms. no. RDS 78.

One has also to take into account that most of the manuscripts are rather late copies dating from the 17th to the 19th century. From the 12th century we have a copy of one manuscript written in early Devanagari script,²⁵ but which unfortunately does not contain the *Vimānasthāna*, but only *Cikitsasthāna* 3 up to the end of the *Carakasamhitā*. Some relevant manuscripts have been located in Indian manuscript libraries, as for example the manuscripts in the Maharaja Sawai Man Singh II Museum, City Palace, Jaipur²⁶ that are mentioned by Yogindra Nath Sen in his edition,²⁷ but due to various reasons they could not yet be procured for the project.

Generally speaking, the thirty-six manuscripts containing the *Vimānasthāna*, which are written in Sharada and different kinds of Bengali and Devanagari scripts, are of heterogeneous quality with regard to the scribal habits, the occurrence of scribal errors, the legibility, etc.

As to the preliminary stemmatological results, one has to go somewhat into details. The first results of the critical work have clarified somewhat the differentiation of recensions. As early as the beginning of the last century Cordier²⁸ had noticed “that the text of the *Carakasamhitā* must have been subject of considerable variations, as is obvious from quotations found in commentaries.”²⁹ Ann Glazier, who for a time worked on a critical edition of Caraka’s *Śārīrasthāna*, but unfortunately discontinued her endeavour, com-

²⁵ Ms. no. 1-1648, Reel no. A 46/6 of the Nepal-German Manuscript Preservation Project (184 folios [cikitsāsthāna 3 – jvaracikitsita, to the end], old Devanagari [according to catalogues: Newari], palm leaf, date: *saṃvat* 303, i.e. AD 1183).

²⁶ Mss. nos. 2068, 2069, 2107.

²⁷ Yogindra Nath Sen mentions two Mss. from Jaipur in the introduction of his edition (CS 1920-22): “Jaipur manuscript, copied in 1643 of the *Samvat* era, i.e. AD 1700 [most probably either AD 1586/1586 or 1721/22]; character Devanagari; fairly correct” and “Jaipur manuscript, very old, without date; character Devanagari; correct but incomplete, from the beginning up to the end of *Gulma Nidana* only”.

²⁸ Cordier 1902: 528-530 (= Roşu 1989: 546-548).

²⁹ Meulenbeld 1999, 1A: 96.

pared passages of the Cikitsāsthāna of the mentioned manuscript from the 12th century to a Sharada manuscript from Pune (P1)³⁰ and the manuscript from Lahore (Ch).³¹ Based on Cordier's observations, she found convincing evidence for the existence of a Kashmiri recension. This conclusion is supported by the commentary of Cakrapāṇidatta, who mentions the deviating readings of the Kashmiri version on several occasions. In any case, the crucial criterion for the distinction of these two recensions is the different order of the chapters (*adhyāya*) in the Cikitsāsthāna from the ninth to the twenty-fifth chapter.³² On closer examination it turns out that not only do the Sharada manuscript and the Lahore manuscript display this deviating composition, but so do five other manuscripts from manuscript libraries in Jammu (J1, J2, J3),³³ Udaipur (U),³⁴ Alwar (A)³⁵ also do, as well as a Devanagari manuscript (C7)³⁶ from the library of the Asiatic Society of Bengal, Calcutta. At the beginning of Vimānasthāna 8 one finds similar variant readings in both the Sharada manuscript and the other five manuscripts which are not found in any of the other manuscripts – although they are not directly interdependent with the exception of one Jammu manuscript (J2) that is a direct copy of the Sharada manuscript. Surprisingly, one Bengali manuscript, containing only fragments of the Vimānasthāna (C6),³⁷ also supports these variations.

³⁰ Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute, Pune, Ms. no. 555 of 1875-76.

³¹ DAV College, Chandigarh (Lalchand Research Library), Ms. no. 2315.

³² The ninth *adhyāya* of the Kashmiri recension is the fourteenth of the eastern recension, the tenth *adhyāya* of the Kashmiri recension is the nineteenth of the eastern recension, the eleventh is the twenty-first, the twelfth is the twenty-fourth, etc.

³³ Raghunath Temple Library of His Highness The Maharaja of Jammu and Kashmir, Ms. nos. 3266-3267 (J1), 2309 (J2), and 3330-3331 (J3).

³⁴ Rajasthan Oriental Research Institute, Udaipur, Ms. no. 1474.

³⁵ Rajasthan Oriental Research Institute, Alwar, Ms. no. 2498.

³⁶ According to its variant readings, C7 has the closest relation to the Alwar (A) manuscript. This manuscript (C7) most probably has been the copy used for Jivānanda's edition (CS 1877).

³⁷ Asiatic Society of Bengal, Kolkata, Āyurveda handlist, Ms. no. G 2503/1.

In comparison to the western, Kashmiri recension, the eastern recension, which probably is based on the 12th-century manuscript from Nepal or a related manuscript, displays two branches: one that is represented mostly by Bengali manuscripts,³⁸ of which the oldest is a manuscript from Varanasi dated 1698 (V1)³⁹, and a second branch represented by a group of Devanagari manuscripts from manuscript libraries in Baroda (B),⁴⁰ Kota (K),⁴¹ London (L2, L3),⁴² Nepal (N1),⁴³ Pune (P4),⁴⁴ Tübingen (T1, T2)⁴⁵ and Varanasi (V5).⁴⁶

Nevertheless, direct dependencies of the manuscripts of either group can be shown only in very few instances, but here is not the place to go into details. On the other hand, it may also be that most of the manuscripts will not allow a clear distinction of their interdependencies, but only a rough classification of their affiliations.

The problem of the recensions is not significant for the following proof passage, since all manuscripts of the different branches correspond to a certain extent. It rather is the problem of the editions that are influenced by the corrections and interpretations of Gaṅgādhara's *Jalpakaḷpataru*.

It seems clear that, in the list of topics concerning debate in the manuscripts,⁴⁷ the positioning of "example" (*dr̥ṣṭānta*), following

³⁸ National Library, Kolkata, Ms. no. RDS 101 (C4); Asiatic Society of Bengal, Kolkata, Āyurveda handlist, Ms. no. G 4474/3 (C5); Trinity College Library, Cambridge, Ms. no. R. 15. 85 (Ca); Sarasvati Bhavan Library, no. 108685 (V3); Sarasvati Bhavan Library, Varanasi, Ms. no. 108824 (V4, scribe Gaṅgādhara), and some other minor manuscripts which will not be specified here.

³⁹ Sarasvati Bhavan Library, Varanasi, Ms. no. 44842.

⁴⁰ Central Library, Baroda, Ms. no. 12489.

⁴¹ Rajasthan Oriental Research Institute, Kota, Ms. no. 1563.

⁴² India Office Library, London, Sanskrit Ms. no. 881 (L2) and 1445a & b (L3).

⁴³ Nepal-German Manuscript Preservation Project, Kathmandu-Berlin, Ms. no. E-40553 – Reel no. E 2211/10.

⁴⁴ Ānandāśrama, Pune, Ms. no. 1546.

⁴⁵ Universitätsbibliothek Tübingen, Ms. M. a. I. 458 (T1) and M. a. I. 459 (T2).

⁴⁶ Benares Hindu University, Varanasi, Ms. C 3688.

⁴⁷ ... *hetur upanayo nigamanam uttaram dr̥ṣṭāntaḥ siddhāntaḥ* ...

“reply” (*uttara*) and before “accomplished doctrine” (*siddhānta*) is the genuine sequence in both recensions. The other position of *drṣṭānta* between “reason” (*hetu*) and “application” (*upanaya*) as in Trikamji’s edition,⁴⁸ which is not supported by any of the manuscripts, must be attributed to Gaṅgādhara’s edition of his commentary *Jalpakaḷpataru* in which he tries to standardize the reading of the *Carakasamhitā* with the sequence in the *Nyāyasūtra* by stating directly following his commentary on *hetu*: “Now, according to the correct sequence [of members of proof], the example is defined.”⁴⁹ Also the manuscript of the *Āyurvedadīpikā*, in its sequence of definitions, supports the manuscripts of the *Carakasamhitā* in the positioning of *drṣṭānta* after *uttara* and before *siddhānta*,⁵⁰ although Cakrapāṇidatta does not quote the list. The topic “*drṣṭānta*” in the *Carakasamhitā* is meant to define the general example (*drṣṭānta*), not the member of proof *udāharaṇa* (exemplification)⁵¹ of the *Nyāyasūtra* as Gaṅgādhara suggests. Moreover, the sequence of the *Nyāyasūtra* does – to some extent – support Caraka’s sequence. The general example (*drṣṭānta*) in the *Nyāyasūtra* is also placed directly before the *siddhānta* in the list of topics in NSū 1.1.1⁵² and in the definition part of its Book 1 as well,⁵³ in which the definition of the example corresponds for the most part to that of the *Carakasamhitā*.⁵⁴

⁴⁸ Cf. CS *Vimānasthāna* 8.27: ... *hetuḥ, drṣṭāntaḥ, upanayaḥ, nigamanam, uttaram, siddhāntaḥ, ...*

⁴⁹ JKT 1580,23: *atha kramikatvād drṣṭāntaṃ lakṣayati.*

⁵⁰ Cf. CĀ fol. 70r,7–70v,2: ... *hetusāmyam uttaram kriyate tadā viparyyayo bhavati evam evodāharaṇa dvayaṃ saviparyyayaṃ sampūrṇam uttaram bhavātīty arthaḥ. mūrkhaviduṣūṃ buddhisāmyam ity anena laukikānūṃ paṇḍitūnāṃ ca yo ’rthe. vivādasiddhaḥ sa drṣṭānto bhavati ...*

⁵¹ NSū 1.1.36f.; cf. Prets 2004.

⁵² NSū 1.1.1: *pramāṇaprameyasamśayaprayojanadrṣṭāntasiddhāntāvayavataṛkanirṇayavādajalpavitaṇḍāhetvābhāsacchalajātīnigrahasthānānāṃ tattvajñānān niḥśreyasādīgamaḥ.*

⁵³ Cf. NSū 1.1.25f.

⁵⁴ Cf. CS *Vimānasthāna* 8.34: *drṣṭānto nama yatra mūrkhaviduṣūṃ buddhisāmyaṃ yo varṇyaṃ varṇayati*; and NSū 1.1.25: *laukikaparikṣakānāṃ yasminn arthe buddhisāmyaṃ sa drṣṭāntaḥ.*

Even Gaṅgādhara, in his *Mṛtyuñjayaśaṃhitā*,⁵⁵ does not support the reading of his own edition,⁵⁶ but reads in accordance with the manuscripts.⁵⁷

With regard to the text of the establishment or proof (*sthūpanā*)⁵⁸ of the proposition (*pratijñā*), it is clear that all thirty-six manuscripts that have been consulted so far do not support Gaṅgādhara's reading and, accordingly, Trikamji's edition that depends on Gaṅgādhara's edition.⁵⁹ Again it seems that Trikamji believed in the correct reading of his antecessors when editing the *Carakaśaṃhitā*, who for their part apparently believed more in the authenticity of the *Jalpakaḷpataru*'s reading⁶⁰ than in the evidence from the manuscripts. Gaṅgādhara comments on the example of the *sthūpanā* passage in his *Jalpakaḷpataru* firstly: *kaḥ punar iha dṛṣṭānta ity āha dṛṣṭānta ityādi. yathākūśam iti*. He then proceeds to explain why the ether is able to serve as an example for the case in question. Obviously it was Gaṅgādhara who placed the sequence *yathākūśam iti* as a *Pratīka* in his *Jalpakaḷpataru* and added it accordingly in his edition of the *Carakaśaṃhitā*. And again, Gaṅgādhara

⁵⁵ To my knowledge this work of Gaṅgādhara exists in only a single copy in Gaṅgādhara's own hand at the Calcutta Sanskrit College (Sanskrit College, Kolkata, Āyurveda handlist, Ms. no. 153). It is a rearrangement of the *Carakaśaṃhitā*, in which he has taken the text apart and arranged it anew according to a didactical point of view. (cf. various colophons of the *Mṛtyuñjayaśaṃhitā*: ... *iti carakakṛtasamhitāyām gaṅgādhareṇa pravibhaktamiśritāyām mṛtyuñjayaśaṃhitāyām* ...).

⁵⁶ CS 1878/79 (1st edition 1868).

⁵⁷ This fact points to the assumption that he wrote his *Jalpakaḷpataru* later than the *Mṛtyuñjayaśaṃhitā*.

⁵⁸ CS Vimānasthāna 8.31.

⁵⁹ Cf. CS Vimānasthāna 8.30f.: *atha pratijñā – pratijñā nāma sādhyavacanam; yathā – nityaḥ puruṣa iti. atha sthūpanā – sthūpanā nāma tasyā eva pratijñāyā hetudṛṣṭāntopanayanigamanaiḥ sthūpanā. pūrvam hi pratijñā, paścāt sthūpanā, kiṃ hy apratijñātaṃ sthūpayiṣyati; yathā – nityaḥ puruṣa iti pratijñā; hetuḥ – akṛtakatvād iti; dṛṣṭāntaḥ – yathākūśam iti; upanayaḥ – yathā cūkṛtakam ākūśam, tac ca nityam, tathā puruṣa iti; nigamanam – tasmān nitya iti*.

⁶⁰ JKT 1577,22-24: *kaḥ punar iha dṛṣṭānta ity āha dṛṣṭānta ityādi. yathākūśam iti, ākūśasamādharmavattvena puruṣasya nityatvasūdhako akṛtakatvam iti hetuḥ*.

himself does not support this reading in his *Mṛtyuñjayasamhitā*, but for the most part reads in accordance with the other manuscripts.

With regard to the counter-establishment or counter-proof (*pratiṣṭhāpanā*),⁶¹ the relation of the editions of Gaṅgādharma, and respectively Trikamji, and the manuscripts is, structurally seen, completely the same.

The formulation of example and application in the provisional critical edition (cf. appendix) still has to be understood with due care. At present, it is too early to draw conclusions from formulations that may be revised when new material appears. Nevertheless, if one compares Trikamji's edition to the formulation in the manuscripts, one may appreciate what critical work on manuscripts can bring to light: Instead of the mere representation of an instance (*yathākāśam*) in which both properties are known to coexist in a kind of relationship that implicitly allows one to deduce one property from the other, as can only be seen by the formulation of the application, the manuscript's reading explicitly mentions both properties as coexisting in this instance. The function of the application is also clearly expressed, namely that the proving property subsists in the subject of proof and therefore allows, on condition of the concomitance of the proving property and the property to be proved in the example, the conclusion that also the subject of proof exemplifies the property to be proved.

To conclude, let me finally point out that the formulation of the *sthāpanā* in this form is very close in structure to the formulation of the proof in the *Nyūyabhāṣya*.⁶² However, it will be possible to draw a conclusion from this statement only when the project has made further progress.

⁶¹ CS Vimānasthāna 8.32.

⁶² NBh 34,12-15: *tatra sādharṃyokte tāvad dhetau vākyam, anityaḥ śabda iti pratijñā, utpattidharmakatvād iti hetuḥ, utpattidharmakam sthūlyādi dravyam anityam ity udāharaṇam, tathā cotpattidharmakaḥ śabda ity upanayaḥ, tasmād utpattidharmakatvād anityaḥ śabda iti nigamanam.*

APPENDIX:

Preliminary critical edition of *Carakasamhitā*, Vimānasthāna 8.30f. on *pratijñā* and *sthāpanā*

The preliminary critical edition is based on sixteen selected manuscripts. Six manuscripts (A, C6, C7, Ch, P1, U) represent the Kashmiri recension, of which the Sharada manuscript P1 is the oldest (1688). Ten manuscripts represent the two branches of the eastern recension: the branch which consists mainly of Bengali manuscripts (C4, C5, Ca, Vi, V4) of which V1 is the oldest (1698), and the branch which comprises only Devanagari manuscripts (B, K, L3, T1, T2), mainly from the 18th century. Additionally, Gaṅgādhara's *Mṛtyuñjayaśamhitā* is listed at relevant passages in the critical apparatus to provide a comparison to the reading in his later *Jalpakaḷpataru*.

The critical edition contains only substantial variants. However, some non-substantial variants may be recorded in cases of relevance for establishing the stemmatological affiliation, etc., or in cases of special interest.

Punctuation and regular sandhi of the critical edition are editorial. The variants of the different manuscripts and independent sources are separated by semicolons.

Sigla (of mentioned manuscripts):

Superscript letters indicate the script of the manuscript:

- ^d Devanagari
- ^b Bengali
- ^s Sharada

- A^d Alwar, Rajasthan Oriental Research Institute 2498
- B^d Baroda, Central Library 12489
- C1^b Calcutta, Sanskrit College 153, *Mṛtyuñjayaśamhitā* (Gaṅgādhara)
- C4^b Calcutta, National Library RDS 101
- C5^b Calcutta, Asiatic Society G 4474/3

- C6^b Calcutta, Asiatic Society G 2503/1
 C7^d Calcutta, Asiatic Society G 4391
 Ca^b Cambridge, Trinity College Ms.R.15.85
 Ch^d Chandigarh, DAV College 2315
 K^d Kota, Rajasthan Oriental Research Institute 1563
 L3^d London, India Office Library Ms IO. 1445b
 P1^s Pune, Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute 555 of 1875-76
 T1^d Tübingen, Universitätsbibliothek 458
 T2^d Tübingen, Universitätsbibliothek 459
 U^d Udaipur, Rajasthan Oriental Research Institute 6294
 V1^b Varanasi, Sarasvati Bhavan 44842
 V4^b Varanasi, Sarasvati Bhavan 108824

Symbols used:

- l *daṇḍa*
 * *virāma*
 ' *avagraha*
 illegible *akṣara*, due to blurring, etc.
 illegible part of an *akṣara*, due to blurring, etc.
 contain *akṣara* or part of text deleted by scribe; deleted text in grey
 ! contain *akṣara* or part of text unambiguously deleted by second hand; deleted text in grey
 contain emendation or corrective insertion (interlinear / inter-*akṣara* / in margin); emended text in grey
 { }² contain emendation or corrective insertion (interlinear / inter-*akṣara* / in margin) unambiguously by second hand; emended text in grey
 om. omitted by manuscript
 S: secondary, additional testimonies / other sources / commentaries

Preliminary critical edition:

atha pratijñā¹. pratijñā nūma sūdhya vacanam; yathā nityaḥ puruṣa² iti.

atha sthāpanā³. sthāpanā nūma tasyā⁴ eva pratijñāyā hetubhir drṣṭāntopanayanigamanaiś ca⁵ sthāpanā. pūrvaṃ hi pratijñā⁶ paścāt sthāpanā;⁷ kiṃ hy apratijñātaṃ⁸ sthāpayiṣyati?⁹ yathā:¹⁰ nityaḥ puruṣa¹¹ iti pratijñā;¹² hetur akṛtakatvād¹³ iti;¹⁴ drṣṭāntaḥ – akṛtakam ākāśaṃ tac ca nityam;¹⁵ upanayaḥ – yathā cākṛtakam¹⁶ ākāśaṃ tathā puruṣaḥ;¹⁷ nigamanam – tasmān nitya¹⁸ iti.

¹ *atha pratijñā* : B^d, C4^b, C7^d, Ca^b, Ch^d, K^d, L3^d, P1^s, T1^d, T2^d, U^d, V1^b pratijñā; A^d [pratijñā]-(pratijñā kramaprāptā kathayate); om. C5^b, C6^b

² *nityaḥ puruṣa* : C7^d, L3^d nityapuruṣa

³ *atha sthāpanā* : A^d, C7^d, Ca^b, Ch^d, K^d, L3^d, P1^s, T1^d, T2^d, U^d sthāpanā; om. B^d

⁴ *nūma tasyā* : C4^b, C5^b, V1^b nāmaitasyā

⁵ *hetubhir drṣṭāntopanayanigamanaiś ca* : T1^d hetu[bbhir] drṣṭāntopanayabigaman[au]aiś ca; B, T2^d hetubhir drṣṭāntopāyanigamanaiś ca; L3^d hetubhi drṣṭāntopāyanigamanaiś ca; K^d hetubhir ṣṭāmdṛtopanayanigamaiś ca; A^d, C4^b, C7^d, V1^b hetubhir drṣṭāntopanayanigamaiḥ; C5^b hetur drṣṭāntopanayanigamaineḥ; C6^b hetubhi nigamaiḥ; Ch^d hetubhiḥ drṣṭāntopanayanigamaḥmaiḥ; P1^s hetubhiḥ drṣṭāntopanayanigamaiḥ; U^d hetubhir drṣṭāntopanayanigamai; Ca^b, V4^b hetudrṣṭāntopanayanigamaiḥ

S: AD 276a,19: sa ca sādhyam paraṃ prati hetvādibhiś caturbhiḥ sādhyati; C1^b hetudrṣṭāntopanayanigamaiḥ

⁶ *pratijñā* : V4 loka pratijñā; T1^d (loke) pratijñā; Ca^b loka pratijñā

S: C1^b loka pratijñā

⁷ *hi pratijñā paścāt sthāpanā* : U^d hi pratijñāpanā

⁸ *kiṃ hi apratijñātaṃ* : B^d, L3^d, T1^d, T2^d kiṃcit pratijñātaṃ; K^d kiṃcit pratijñānaṃ

⁹ *sthāpayiṣyati* : C4^b, C5^b, T1^d, V1^b sthāpayiṣyatīti

¹⁰ *yathā* : B^d, K^d, L3^d tathā; T1^d (ta/ya)thā; T2^d sathā; om. Ch^d

¹¹ *nityaḥ puruṣa* : C7^d, K^d nityapuruṣa; T1^d nityaḥ puruṣa

¹² *pratijñā* : T1^d [pratijñā]² prasiddhā²

¹³ *akṛtakatvād* : B^d, C4^b, C5^b, K^d, L3^d, V1^b akṛtakatvam; T1^d akṛtakatvam(āt*); T2^d akṛtakṛtvam; P1^s akṛtatvād

¹⁴ *iti* : om. B^d, C4^b, C5^b, Ca^b, K^d, L3^d, T1^d, T2^d, V1^b

¹⁵ *drṣṭāntaḥ – akṛtakam ākāśaṃ tac ca nityam* : B^d, T2^d drṣṭānto kṛtakam ākāśaṃ tac ca nityam iti; L3^d drṣṭānto kṛtakam ākāśaṃ tac ca nityam; C6^b

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CU = [Carakopaskūra]. See CS 1920-22.

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S: C1^b dr̥ṣṭānto yathā cākṛtakam ākāśam tac ca nityam

¹⁶ cākṛtakam : T1^d cākṛta⟨ka⟩m; C6^b, U^d cākṛtam; A^d cā[...]ta⟨ka⟩m; L3^d cākṣatakam

¹⁷ ākāśam tathā puruṣaḥ : Ca^b ākāśa tathā puruṣa iti; T1^d ākāśam tathā puruṣaḥ (iti); C6^b, Ch^d ākāśas tathā puruṣaḥ

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ADDENDUM (March 2008)

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At the time of my final version I was engaged in the preliminary work on a critical edition of *Vimānasthāna* 8 of the *Carakasamhitā* together with Karin Preisendanz, who acted as project director. In October 2004, Philipp Maas joined the project as a second collaborator. At that point in time, the project was extended to all eight chapters of the *Vimānasthāna*. A year later, Cristina Pecchia also joined the project. And I left the project in 2006 to work on a new project of my own.

During the last years, not only did the number of manuscripts increase and the stemma was defined more precisely – mainly by Philipp Maas – but also the methodology of compiling the manuscripts gradually changed as well as the critical edition's method and form. Therefore my preliminary critical edition of the passage on proof, which I still hold to be more or less adequate, deviates fundamentally in form and character from the work being currently done.

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