

**SKETCH OF THE HISTORICAL PHONOLOGY
OF GALICIAN-PORTUGUESE**

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INTRODUCTORY NOTE

This is not a field bestrewn with grammars. Although for modern Galician we have the *Gramática Histórica Galega* of Manuel Ferreiro, there is still no Portuguese equivalent, the standard still being Edwin B. Williams' *From Latin to Portuguese* (1938).¹ The last grammar centered on the medieval language was Josef Huber's *Altportugiesisches Elementarbuch* (1933).² To fill that gap is beyond my scope. This sketch of historical phonology merely aims to introduce students to the study of medieval Galician-Portuguese, and especially of the *cantigas d'amigo*, from which most of the examples are drawn. In general I have tried to follow standard doctrine, avoiding contentious questions, noting some points of disagreement.

Latin long vowels are marked. All unmarked vowels in Classical Latin words can be assumed to be short. I also mark vowels in Late Latin, Vulgar Latin, and Medieval Latin forms, even though quantitative distinctions no longer existed. I sometimes mark short vowels to call attention to the quantity (but even then, not vowels that are regularly short, for instance most vowels in closed syllables [e.g. *ante*], final vowels before *m*, *t*, *nt* [e.g. *amem*, *dicit*, *flent*], or a vowel before another vowel [e.g. *meliorē*], etc.). Palatalized *l*, *n* and *m*, and *b* plus *yod*, are represented as /λ/, /ɲ/, /m^j/, /b^j/. Voiced and unvoiced palatal affricates are represented as /dʒ/ and /tʃ/, respectively, the corresponding fricatives as /ʒ/, /ʃ/.

Symbolic representations of descriptive rules use the following signs: upper case letters represent classes of sounds. C=consonant; V=vowel (simple vowel or diphthong); T=voiceless stop (p, t, c, qu-) (sometimes Latin c is represented as k); D=voiced stop (b, d, g); L=liquid (l, r); N=nasal (m, n). I=glide (w, y). The small case letters represent themselves. Thus, VTrV = vowel + voiceless stop + r + vowel. This encompasses VprV, VtrV, VcrV. The rule VTrV > VDrV means that in any word-internal sequence of vowel + voiceless stop + r + vowel, the voiceless stop is voiced (p > b, t > d, c > g). Hence VTrV > VDrV summarizes the following cases: VprV

¹ A lightly revised second edition appeared in 1962. The oft reprinted Portuguese translation, *Do Latim ao Português*, trans. António Houaiss (Rio de Janeiro, 1961), is based on the first edition. (Here I have used William's own annotated copy of the first edition, with the author's corrections and additions in autograph on intercalated pages).

² Cintra, in his introduction to the Portuguese translation (1986) says that Huber's work continues to be "uma obra fundamental para o estudo do galego-português antigo", noting that it is still "a única manual que procura descrever em conjunto a gramática da língua em que estão escritos os textos da primeira época da língua do ocidente peninsular". A concise survey of the phonology of GP can be found in Ramos 1983.

> VbrV e.g. *ap(e)rīre* > *abrir*, VtrV > VdrV e.g. *mātre* > *madre*, VcrV > VgrV e.g. *lucrāre* > *lograr*. The conditions of a rule are specified using the following kind of notation: $e > e / _ n \#$. Here $x > y$ states the change in the element in question; / precedes the conditions; $_$ locates the place the element occupies; and $\#$ means word end or beginning. Hence, $e > e / _ n \#$ means "open *e* becomes close *e* before word-final *n*". A few times the sign & indicates a morpheme boundary. \emptyset =nothing (e.g. no vowel or consonant, as the case may be).

Examples not drawn from the *cantigas d'amigo* are enclosed in special brackets, e.g. {torquēre > torcer}. Except where noted, the examples given are words or forms that evolved from Latin to Galician-Portuguese (hereinafter GP). Words marked by an asterisk are either Vulgar Latin, Late Latin or Medieval Latin (distinctions often uneasily drawn). Words ultimately deriving from Greek, and words borrowed from Hispanic dialects, Provençal, Old French, Germanic, Celtic or Arabic, are regularly identified. Words whose etymology is unknown or uncertain (e.g. *buscar*, *louco*, *matar*, *tirar*, *tomar*) are generally avoided. In illustrating sound changes, words from sources other than Latin or Vulgar Latin are normally given last. If a word occurs not in the *Cantigas d'Amigo* (hereinafter *Amigo*) but elsewhere in GP lyric (in the *Cantigas d'Amor*, *Cantigas d'Escarnho e Maldizer* and *Cantigas de Santa Maria* [hereinafter *Amor*, CEM, CSM]), this is shown by the expression 'elsewhere' referring to its other occurrences. If a given form is found once in *Amigo*, and in another form elsewhere, this is indicated, for example: *sonare* > *sonar* (*Giinzo 8*, elsewhere *sōar*).³ If a form appears in one of the seven *pastorelas* (which strictly speaking do not belong to the *Amigo* genre), this is noted, e.g.: **radia* > *raia* (Johan Airas, *pastorela*).

Like the *Etymological Wordlist*, this sketch was originally prepared for my own use, and in its present form is meant as an introduction for students that makes no pretense to being either exhaustive (with respect to the language) or original (except perhaps on one or two points). It is dedicated to Michael Weiss, who deserves far better.

³ The text and numeration of the *cantigas d'amigo* (except as otherwise noted) are from Rip Cohen, *500 Cantigas d'Amigo, Edição Crítica / Critical Edition* (Porto: Campo das Letras, 2003).

Abbreviations

Manuscripts containing *cantigas d'amigo*

B = cod. 10991, Biblioteca Nacional (Lisbon)
V = cod. 4803, Biblioteca Apostolica Vaticana (Rome)
N = ms. 979, Pierpont Morgan Library (New York)

Languages

AA = Andalusí Arabic
 Arab. = Arabic
 Cast. = Castilian
 Cat. = Catalan
 Celt. = Celtic
 Eng. = English
 Gal. = Galician
 Germ. = Germanic
 Goth. = Gothic
 GP = Medieval Galician-Portuguese
 Grk. = Ancient Greek
 HL = Hispanic Latin
 It. = Italian
 Lat. = Classical Latin
 Leon. = Leonese
 LL = Late Latin
 ML = Medieval Latin
 OF = Old French
 OSp. = Old Spanish
 PGerm. = Proto-Germanic
 PIE = Proto-Indo-European
 Port. = Portuguese
 Prov. = Old Provençal
 Sp. = Spanish

Other abbreviations

acc. = accusative
 adj. = adjective
 app. = apparently
 Ap. Prob. = Appendix Probi (cited from ILV)
 conjug. = conjugation
 fut. = future
 gen. = genitive
 imperf. = imperfect
 indic. = indicative
 infin. = infinitive
 MSS = manuscripts
 nom. = nominative
 part. = participle
 pass. = passive
 perf. = perfect
 pl. = plural
 plup. = pluperfect
 pres. = present
 prob. = probably
 sing. = singular
 subj. = subjunctive
 subst. = substantive

Works Consulted

(a partial list; fuller bibliographical information is provided in the *Etymological Wordlist*).

- Cornu = J. Cornu, *Grammatik der portugiesischen Sprache*
 CEM = M. Rodrigues Lapa, *Cantigas d'escarnho e de maldizer*
 Cintra = L. F. Lindley Cintra, *A Linguagem dos Foros de Castelo Rodrigo*
 Corominas = Joan Corominas, *Diccionario Etimológico-Crítico Castellano e Hispánico*
 Corriente = F. Corriente, *Diccionario de arabismos e voces afines en iberorromance*
 CSM = W. Mettmann, *Cantigas de Santa Maria*
 Cunha = Celso Cunha, *Cancioneiros dos Trovadores do Mar*
 DVPM = *Diccionario de Verbos do Português Medieval*
 G-T = T. Garcia-Sabell Tormo, *Lexico Francês nos Cancioneiros Galego-Portugueses*
 E-M = A. Ernout & A. Meillet, *Dictionnaire étymologique de la langue latine*
 GED = W. Lehmann, *A Gothic Etymological Dictionary*
 GHG = M. Ferreiro, *Gramática Histórica Galega*
 Huber = J. Huber, *Gramática do Português Antigo*
 ILV = V. Väänänen, *Introducción al Latín Vulgar*
 Lapa = [review of Huber]⁴
 Lorenzo = R. Lorenzo, *Glosario*
 LSJ = *A Greek-English Lexicon*
 Machado = José Pedro Machado, *Diccionario Etimológico da Língua Portuguesa*
 Michaëlis = C. Michaëlis de Vasconcellos, *Cancioneiro da Ajuda*
 Niermeyer = J. F. Niermeyer, *Mediae Latinitatis Lexicon Minus*
 Nunes = J. J. Nunes, *Compêndio de Gramática Histórica Portuguesa*
 OED = *Oxford English Dictionary*
 OHCGL = M. Weiss, *Outline of the Historical and Comparative Grammar of Latin*
 OLD = *Oxford Latin Dictionary*
 Piel = J. Piel, *Estudos de Linguística Histórica Galego-Portuguesa*
 Ramos = M. A. Ramos, "Nota linguística" (in E. Gonçalves & M. A. Ramos *A Lírica Galego-Portuguesa* [Lisbon, 1983]).
 Rei = F. Fernández Rei, *Dialectología da Língua Galega*
 REW = W. Meyer-Lubke, *Romanisches etymologisches Wörterbuch*
 Sacks = N. P. Sacks, *The Latinity of Dated Documents in the Portuguese Territory*
 Williams = E. B. Williams, *From Latin to Portuguese*

⁴ The Portuguese translation of Huber (by Maria Manuela Gouveia Delille, with a preface by L. F. Lindley Cintra), *Gramática do Português Antigo* (Lisbon: Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian, 1986), contains Lapa's review on pp. 361-78.

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I. EVOLUTION OF THE VOWEL SYSTEM

TONIC VOWELS

Summary⁵

Lat. *ā, ǣ* > VL *a*
 Lat. *ě* > VL *ɛ*
 Lat. *ē, ĭ* > VL *e*
 Lat. *ĩ* > VL *i*
 Lat. *ǒ* > VL *o*
 Lat. *ō, ŭ* > VL *o*
 Lat. *ū* > VL *u*

In tonic position: Latin long and short *a* became VL *a*. Long *i* became VL *i* and long *u* became VL *u*. Short *e* and short *o* became VL open *e* and *o*, respectively. Short *i* and long *e* became VL close *e*, while short *u* and long *o* became VL close *o*. The VL vowels are all maintained in tonic position in GP unless there are conditioning factors that complicate the environment.

Lat. *ā, ǣ* > VL *a* > *a*

amāre > amar (i.e. the stem vowel *-a-* of Latin 1st conjugation verbs)
 cāritātem > caridade
 fābulam > fala
 grātiam > graça
 illāc > alá
 lēgālem > leal
 mātrem > madre
 quālēs > quaes
 quaerātis > queredes
 tālēs > taes
 *uicātam (cf. *uicātim* ← *uice-*) > vegada

ante > ante
 artem > arte
 āuem > ave
 cāpit > cabe
 *cāpu- > cabo
 dāre > dar
 fācit > faz
 grāuem > grave
 iācet > jaz
 māle > mal
 mǎneō > manho
 partem > parte
 sālit > sal
 sāpit > sabe
 vālet > val

Lat. *ě* > VL *ɛ* > *e*

dixērat > dissera (similarly in the perfect stem of all GP 2nd conjugation strong verbs; for close *e* in the perfect stem of GP 2nd conjugation weak verbs, see below on *ɛ* > *e*)

⁵ This system is not common to all Romance languages (it does not apply to Sardinian, to the Lausberg-Zone of Southern Italian or to Romanian). But it obtains for most Italian dialects, Gallo-Romance and Ibero-Romance.

ěrat > ęra (rhymes with *quisęra*, etc.)
 est > ęste (more commonly *ę*)
 fęcĕrit > fezeę (similarly in the future subjunctive of all GP 2nd conjugation strong verbs)
 fęra > feęa (rhymes with *poseęa* < *posęrat* in Guilhade 14)
 gentem > gente
 lęuem > leęve

e > i / __a (an *e* in hiatus before an *a* is raised to *i* and then becomes yod)
 mea > mha /m^ha/

Lat. ē, ĩ > VL ę > ę

dębęre > deveę (i.e. the stem vowel *-e-* in the infinitive of Latin 2nd conjugation verbs)
 fęcit > feę (also *fezo*)
 quętum (for *quiętum*) > queędo
 zęlo- > ceęo

capĭllum > cabelo
 *capĭtia (← caput, -ĭtis, n.) > cabeęa
 cĭto > ceędo
 desĭdium > deseęjo
 ille > ęle (app. from nom.; compare *elo* < *illum*)
 illam > ęla
 illum > ęlo (*ęlos* rhymes with *cabeęlos*)
 in > ęn
 inde > ęnde, ęn
 ipse, ipsa > ęsse, ęssa
 iste, ista > ęste, ęsta
 inter > entre (also *antre*)
 mĭnus > męos, meęos⁶
 sĭne > sen
 tĭmeō > teęmo
 trĭstĭtĭam > tristeęa
 *uĭncisset (for *uĭcisset*) > vencesęse⁷
 uĭcem > veęz
 uĭdeō > veęjo
 uĭridem > veęde

⁶ Here I give both forms that occur in the principal manuscript sources for the *cantigas d' amigo* (hereinafter **B** and **V**). But nearly every word that regularly carries a *til* in the 13th century *Cancioneiro da Ajuda* (containing mainly *cantigas d' amor*) and the four manuscripts of the *Cantigas de Santa Maria* appears often or usually without a *til* in **BV**, copied in Italy in the early 16th century. Some common forms *never* have a *til*, e.g. *vęer* < *vęnerit*, which is always written as *veher* or *veer*. Here I have restored the *tils* in all forms and have not indicated that the form without *til* is also found (or is the only form found), since that is always the case. By putting back the *tils* I mean to show the phonetic evolution more clearly. The lack of *tils* in **BV** in so many words that regularly have them in our 13th century MSS of GP lyric suggests that the common ancestor of the Italian apographs was copied in when the nasalization of such vowels had greatly diminished or disappeared. (Based on these and other considerations, it is not unreasonable to date that common ancestor to the second half of the 15th century).

⁷ And similarly GP *-ęsse-* from Latin plup. subj. *-ĭsse-* in all forms of the imperfect subjunctive in 2nd conjugation weak (regular) verbs. In contrast, *i* > *ę* in *męnsissem* > *masęsse* and all GP 2nd conjugation strong verbs (*fęcissem* > *fezesęsse*, *dĭxissem* > *dissęsse*, *tenuissem* > *tevesęsse*, etc.). This distinction is neatly illustrated in *Sevilha* 3 where the poet rhymes *morresse* / *sofresse* (two weak verbs) in the second strophe and *ouveęsse* / *quisęsse* (two strong verbs) in the third. Nowhere in the *cantigas d'amigo* (or in GP lyric) do forms from these two classes rhyme together.

Lat. ī > VL i > i

ad sīc > assi (also *asse, asi, ase*)
 audīre > oír
 cīncta > cinta
 dīcō > digo
 fīlium > filho
 illīc > alí
 frīgidam > fria
 īre > ir
 īram > ira
 ītam > ida
 sīc > si (also *se*)
 trīstem > triste
 uīlem > vil
 uīdī > vi

Lat. ō > VL o > o

dormiō > dōrmho
 hōdiē > oje (rhyming with *longe*, Casal 1; Sachs [§ 81] cites *loge* from the 10th century)
 lōcō > loço
 *mōrō > mōro
 possum > pōsso
 rōgō > roço

Lat. ō, ū > VL o > o

flōrem > flor
 illōc > aló
 maiōrem > maior
 nōs > nos
 rōstrum > rostro
 seniōrem > senhor
 sōlum > sol
 tōtum > todo
 uōs > vos

punctum > ponto
 turrem > torre
 uerēcun(d)iam > vergonha
 undam > onda
 unde > onde

Lat. ū > VL u > u

ūna > ũa
 crūda > crua (in the phrase *crua mente* 'cruelly' [for *cruelmente*]).
 *lūmine- (for *lumen*) > lume
 nūlliu- > nulho (Nobiling thinks from OSp.; Leite de Vasconcellos, from Prov.)
 plūs > chus
 salūtem > saude
 sēcūrum > seguro
 tū > tu
 uentūram > ventura

ATONIC VOWELS

In pretonic, intertonic and posttonic (non-final) syllables the VL vowel system simplified further: open *e* and *o* became close, and initial *au* became *a* when followed by a syllable containing an accented *a* (Williams, §7; cf. GHG §10b). In unstressed final position there was a yet a further simplification, with *a*, close *e* and *i* the only possibilities.

Pretonic**a**

*fābŭlāre (for *fābŭlārī*) > falar
mānsisset > masesse

āmīcum > amigo
attendere > atender
pāuōrem > pavor
tam magnum > tamanho

e

errāre > errar
nēgāre > negar

dērēctum > dereito
sēcūrum > seguro
zēlāre > ceiar

bībere > beber
dīcēbat > dizia (usually *dizia*)
līcēre > lezer
mīsellam > mesela
tīmēre > temer
*uīcātam > vegada

i

*fībellam (← fībula) > fivela
*fīdāre (← fidere) > fiar
īrātum > irado
mīrārī > mirar
But *addīuiniāre > adivinhar (dissimilation or weakening?)

o

dormīre > dormir
colligere > colher
cōmedere > comer
*mōrāre (for *mōrarī*) > morar
*morrere (for *mōri*) > morrer
mōuēre > mover
sōlēre > soer

hōc annō > ogano
mōnstrāre > mostrar

mūlierem > mōlher
suspecta > sospeita

u

aiūtāre (var. of *adiūtare*) > ajudar
mūtāre > mudar
dūrāre > durar

Tonic in Latin, pretonic in GP**a**

cādere > caer

dīcere > dizer
 făcere > fazer
 iăcēre > jazer

e

*pětīre (for *pětěre*) > pędir
 mittere > meter

o

accurrere > acorrer
 fūgere > fogir (also *fugir*)

u

dūcere > duzer

With secondary accent

a

cāritātem > caridade
 partiōnem > partiçon

e

lęgālītātem > lealdade
 But *ēquālāre (for *aequālāre*) > iguar

i

*mīnuātum (← minuere) > minguado (elsewhere *menguado*)
 misculāre > mizcrar (elsewhere normally *mezcrar*)
 uindicāre > vingar (also *vengar*)

o

*turpitātem > *tōrpidade (or formed from *tōrpe* < turpem)

o

dūbitāre > dōvidar (also *duvidar*)
 *hūmilitōsum [GP *umilde*, built on the stem of *humilitatem*, + *oso*] > omildoso (Dinis)

Post-tonic/final

a

amīcās > amigas
 bonās > bōas, boas
 eccum illās > aquelas
 eccum istās > aquestas
 illās > las, as
 ipsās > essas
 istās > estas
 quaerās > queras (Casal 2)

amat > ama
 amant > aman
 dīcat > diga
 dīcant > digan
 dīxeram > dissera
 sentiat > sença

e

{amēs > ames}

{amāssēs > amasses}
 *laxēs (*laxāre) > leixes
 fortēs > fortes
 grauēs > graves

ẹ > ẹ when final
 lëuem > leḃe
 grăuem > grave
 (and any unaccented final *e* in GP)

Lat. *i* > VL *i* > *i ore*

longē > longi (also *longe*)
 habuī > ouvi (also *ouve*)
 dīxi > dixi (also *dixe, disse*)
 dūxi > duxe
 fēcī > fiji (also *fiz, fix*)
 fuistī > fuste (Casal 3)
 posī (for *posīvī* or *posuī*) > pugi
 quaesistī > quiseste (Casal 3)

o

amō > amo
 dīcō > digo
 maneō > manho
 audiō > ouço

amīcum > amigo
 illum > lo, o
 ītum > ido
 manum > mão
 saluum > salvo

Intertonic

e, i, o, ũ can be lost by syncope; *a, ū* remain

a

aggrāvāre > agravar

ẹ

Intertonic ẹ is lost.

*apĕrĭre > abrir
 *coopĕrĭre > cobrir
 {libĕrāre > livrar}

e

uerĕcundia > vergonha

Intertonic ẹ is lost in the future of some verbs (with stems ending in *n-* or *r-*:

{ *manerei > marrei}
 *quererei > querrei
 *ponerei > porrei
 *tenerei > terrei

Intertonic -ĭ- can be lost by syncope, and is regularly lost between *l, r, n, or s* and a stop:

alĭquem > algo
 {bonĭtātem > bondade}
 dĕlĭcātam > delgada

lĕgālītātem > lealdade
 nōbīlem > nobre
 posītum (*repostas* in Virgil) > posto
 uērītātem > verdade
 uīrīdem (Ap. Prob. *viridis*) > verde
 ML caballīcāre > cavalgar (Avoín, *pastorela*)

It can also be lost between two stops, as in recītāre > *rez'dar > *redzar > rezar (Bolseiro 1 *rezo*)

But *-ř-* > *-i-* in a number of words, most or all of them learned:

cārītātem > caridade (learned/church word)
 dubītāre > dovidar, duvidar (Leon.; *dultar* elsewhere)
 {iūdicāre > juizar (with hiatus; Leon. *judgar* in *Amigo* and elsewhere)
 partītiōnem > partiçon
 pūrītātem > poridade ('secrecy', 'confidence')
 suspīrāre > sospirar (maybe a learned word)

Elsewhere intertonic *i* is retained as *e*:

sēmīnāre > semēar
 trādītōrem > traedor (trissyllabic)

i

-i- is lost in the future of verbs in *-ir*:

*salirá > salrrá
 *guarirá > guarrá
 *venirá > verrá

o

memōrāre > nembrar

o

labōrāre > lavrar

compūtāre > contar
 fābŭla > fala⁸
 *singŭlāria > senhleira (thus in **BV**; *senneira* [nn = /ŋ/] in **N**)

But in some words VL *o* remains:

*accalŭmniāre (← calumniāri) > acoomhar
 *grātŭlāre > gradoar

Miscellaneous Changes

ě > **i** (in hiatus before an accented **i**)

sĕdĕbat > siía (also *seya* in CSM)
 uĕnĭre > vĭir

(The nasalized *ĩ* of the first syllable, deriving from Lat. *-ĕrV-*, seems to have remained lower in GP than the high close *i* of the second syllable, which came from Lat. *ĩ*; once we find the spelling *ueir* [Bolseiro 4, v. 1 *ueir* **B** : *uijr* **V**]).

ĕ > **a**

inter > antre (usu. *entre*)
 eccum ille > aquele
 eccum iste > aqueste

⁸ On the assimilation *-b/-* > *-ll-* see on medial stop + liquid clusters, below.

eccum hīc > aqui
 eccum inde > aquende (var. *aquen*)
 (Some posit *ad + eccu-*; others think **accu-* due to the influence of *at* or *atque* [cf. Williams §145; GHG §5c.1]).

ē > i

This is due to the metaphonic influence of final *-i*:
 fēcī > figi (also *fiz*, *fix*)
 *prēnsī (for *prendī*) > prix
 quaesīūi > *quēsī > quiji (also *quix*, *quis*)
 uēnī > vin

Note: *ti* and *si* are prob. formed by analogy with *mihī* > *mī*, and *mēcum* > *migo*, *tēcum* > *tigo*, *sēcum* > *sigo* may be analogical or may reflect earlier (HL) **mīgo*, *tīgo*, **sīgo*. The form *mego*, representing the regular evolution of *mēcum*, occurs once in the secular lyric, *comego* three times.

Initial *i* can be lost before *n-*:

ināmōrātum > namorado
 ī(n)sāniam > sanha
 in + illum > no (similarly *na* < in + illam, *nos* < in + illos, *nas* < in + illas)
 in + *odiāre (← odium) > nojar (from Prov.)
 (īnīmīca > *nemiga* ‘calumny’ is a false etymology.⁹)

ī > i

Tonic:

cingat > cinga
 inde ad > inda
 *infingat > enfinga
 *marābilīa > maravilha
 uīa > via

Pretonic

uītiōsum > viçoso

Tonic in Latin, pretonic in GP

cingere > cinger

ō > u

In most cases this change is due to the metaphonic effect of *i*, which raised the vowel in the preceding syllable:

cōgitāre > cuidar (also *coidar*)
 obuiāre > uviar /uvjar/
 pōsī > pugi (also *puge*, *pus*)
 pōtuī > pudi
 sōlēbat > suía (Porto Carreiro 2 [and attested elsewhere]; usu. *soía*)

ū > o

⁹ GP *nemiga* derives from *nec mīca* (REW 5885), matching Old Italian *né-mica* (in e.g. Guitone d’Arezzo), an expression Contini glosses ‘assolutamente nulla’. Originally, *nemiga* – in the expression *dizer nemiga* – would have meant ‘not a crumb’, and so ‘nothing at all’, and by extension ‘a lie’. This last sense was strengthened by a folk etymology that connected the word to OSp. *nemiga* < *inimīca*, which could indeed mean ‘enmity’. So although *dizer nemiga* literally corresponds to *non dizer nada*, the false etymology strengthened the sense ‘to slander’, ‘to speak treason’. Compare *nemigalha* < *ne(c) *mīcacula*, ‘[not] at all’: *Ca non á verdade nemigalha /en sonho* ‘For there is no truth at all in dreams’ (Briteiros 3).

Pretonic:

lūdere > loir (subst.; *hapax* [Meogo 8])
pūritātem > poridade

ǔ > u

Tonic

culpam > culpa
multum > muito (also *moito*)
mundum > mundo
secundum > segundo
(all prob. learned except *moito*)

A GENERAL RULE ON THE LOSS OF FINAL VOWELS.

A post-tonic final *i* or *e* is lost when preceded in GP by the coronal continuants: *l, r, n, z, or s*. Nearly always the disappearing vowel was the stem-vowel (roughly speaking) of a verb, noun, pronoun or adjective (but cf. *mille, male*), left after the loss of a previously final consonant, e.g. the *-t* or *-m* of a verb or the *-m* of a noun, adjective or pronoun. But in some cases the vowel was already final in Latin, e.g. *mare, male* {and *mel* < *melle*}.¹⁰

i, e > Ø / *l, r, n, z, s* __#

After *l*:

fallit > fal
lēgālem > leal
male > mal
mīlle > mil
quālem > qual
salit > sal
solet > sol
sōlem > sol
tālem > tal
ualet > val
uīlem > vil

After *r*:

mare > mar
parem > par

After *n*:

canem > can
finem > fin
manet > man
pānem > pan
*perdōnet > perdon
pōnit > pon
tenet > ten
*trīstēdinem > tristen [Piel]
uenit > ven

After *z*:

addūcit > aduz
crūcem > cruz (learned word)

¹⁰ Apparent exceptions to this rule are cases of paragogic *e* found in two texts: *mare, banhare* (Estevan Coelho 2); *Portugale, portuguese, fazere, lavrare, deitare, metere* (Johan Zorro 4). There may also be other instances where a paragogic *e* should be restored.

dīcit > diz
 facit > faz
 fēcit > fez
 iūdicem > juiz
 lūcem > luz
 pācem > paz
 vīcem > vez

After *s*:

pēnsēt > pes
 posuit > pos
 pre(h)ēnsit > pres
 quaesīuit > *quaesīt > quis

EXCURSUS ON THE CLOSING OF ϵ IN CERTAIN TONIC SYLLABLES.

What should have been an etymologically open *e* in tonic position, / \acute{e} / deriving from Latin \acute{e} , appears to be closed to ϵ in various contexts:

Before a final nasal.

$\epsilon > \epsilon / _ n \#$
 aduěnit > avɛn
 běne > bɛn
 conuěnit > convɛn
 quěm > quɛn
 rěm > rɛn
 těnet > tɛn
 uěnit > vɛn

That these words have ϵ is suggested by the fact that they regularly rhyme with two words with ϵ from Latin \acute{i} and Germanic i , respectively: *ɛn* < inde, *sɛn* < Germ. *sinn*. And some occasionally rhyme with other words with an etymologically close *e*: *desɛn* < Prov. *desdenh* (< *disdignu-), *detɛn* < dētīnet. (But Rei [p. 44] reports that etymologically open *e* is generally not closed in Galician in verbs, adjectives or the interrogative pronoun *quen*.)

Open *e* is also closed in tonic position before final *z* in *prez* < prētium (via Prov.), which rhymes with *fez* < fēcit, *vez* < vīcem.

In *mɛdo* < *mędo* < mętu- the *e* seems to have been closed by metaphonic influence of the following *u*.¹¹ The word rhymes with *çedo* < cīto and *quędo* < quētum.

Open *e* also appears to be closed before final *-enho* or *-enha*.

$\epsilon > \epsilon / _ nhV \#$
 těneō > tɛnho > tɛno
 věniō > vɛnho > vɛno
 těneat > tɛnha > tɛna
 uěniat > vɛnha > vɛna

In Requeixo the latter two forms rhyme with *detɛnha* < dētīneat (though we could postulate a reanalyzed form *dětěneat).

The same change occurs in a tonic syllable before *j* (= /dʒ/ or /ʒ/) plus final *o* or *a*:

$\epsilon > \epsilon / _ jV \#$

¹¹ See GHG. Rei (p. 41) shows the current distribution of *mędo* and *mɛdo* in Galicia. Roughly speaking, the vowel remains open in the east but is closed throughout the west.

sēdeō > sejo > sejo (rhymes with *uejo* < *videō*, *desejo* < **dēsīdium*, *desejo* < **dēsīdiō*).
Similarly *seja* < *sēdeat* (rhyming with *veja*, *deseja*).

We also find the change $\epsilon > \text{e}$ in the ending *-er-* in the stem of future subjunctives of GP 2nd conjugation weak verbs:

**perdērit* (for *perdīdērit*) > *perdeṛ*
**uīuērit* (for *uīxērit*) > *viver*

The 1st and 3rd persons of the future subjunctive of 2nd conjugation weak verbs are almost never used in rhyme in the *cantigas d'amigo*, and when they are they rhyme with 2nd conjug. infinitives ending in *-er* (never with future subjunctives of 2nd conjugation strong verbs such as *dissēṛ*, *fezeṛ*, *ouveṛ*): Elvas 4, where *perder* rhymes with *querer*; Folhente 1, where *viver* rhymes with *querer*, *poder* and *viver*, and Galisteu Fernandiz 3, where *viver* rhymes with *seer* and *aver* (Cf. GHG §192c).

That *é*, the more common allomorph of *éste* (< *est*) had a close e can be seen by the words with which it rhymes: *fe* < *fidēm*, *que* < *quīd* (also *sé* < *sedet*, where, after the fall of intervocalic *-d-*, the crasis *ě+ě*, instead of yielding open vowel, produced a close one – possibly a case of “enclitic raising”).

DIPHTHONGS

au > *ou*¹²

Tonic:

aurum > *ouro*
aut > *ou*
causam > *cousa*
Maurōs > *mouros*
paucum > *pouco*

With secondary accent:

autōricāre > *outorgar*

Contrary to the rule *VTV* > *VDV*, an intervocalic voiceless stop is preserved after *au*.

auTV- > *-ouTV-* (Williams §33.4b, GHG §53b).

autōricāre > *outorgar*
paucum > *pouco*.

Pretonic:

**ausāre* (← *ausus*) > *ousar*
**lautiāna* > *louçana*
**pausāre* > *pousar*

(note: but not in *auscultāre* > *ascuitar*, where the first vowel was already reduced in LL, due to the dissimilatory effect of the *u* in the following syllable).

Two verbs where intervocalic *-d-* is lost after the diphthong deserve special attention:

audīre > *ouvir*, *oir*
laudāre > *louvar*, *loar*

In both cases there are two resolutions:

- (1) an epenthetic *v* to fill the hiatus (*ouvir*, *louvar*): *-auV-* > *-ouV-* > *-ouvV-*
- (2) a reduction of the diphthong (*oir*, *loar*): *-auV-* > *-ouV-* > *-oV-*

¹² *au* was already becoming a monophthong in Latin; according to Festus (2nd century CE) *rusticī* “used to say” *ōrum* for *aurum*, *ōriculas* for *auriculas* (OHCGL 473-74).

au from other sources:

Goth. *kausjan* [GED, K 25] > *cousir*
 AA *ddáwra* ('turn') > *doura* (Solaz 2).

ae (which had already become open *ē* in Latin) yields an open *e* in GP.

ae > *ɛ*

laetum > *lədo*
 **daemōn* (nom.) > *dɛmo*
quaerit > *quɛr*

We know the quality of the vowel in *quer* because it rhymes only with words ending in *-ɛr*: *molhɛr*, *mestɛr*, and the 1st and 3rd pers. sing. of future subjunctives deriving from *-ĕrit* in GP 2nd conjug. strong verbs: *podɛr* < *pōtuĕrit*, *quisɛr* < *quaesiĕrit*, *vĕɛr* < *vĕnĕrit*, etc. Forms from this set never rhyme with the corresponding forms of GP 2nd conjug. weak verbs, that is, fut. subjunctives such as *perder*, *viver*, since those forms had close *e* in the stem (see the excursus above on the closing of open *e*).

AA *layli* 'my nights' > *ləli* (Solaz 2)

There is one example of *oe* > *e*

poena > *pena* (elsewhere *pĕã*)

The Latin exclamation *ai* is preserved unaltered.

NEW DIPHTHONGS IN GALICIAN-PORTUGUESE.

Various new diphthongs arise in GP. Some come from changes in Latin diphthongs, some from the union of vowels that had been separated in Latin, others spring from sound changes in clusters (see below), and yet others are the result of metaphony. Finally, some occur in words borrowed from other languages.

ai

magis > *mais*
trādiitiōnem > *traĩçon*
uadit > *vai*

au

aqua > *augua* (also *auga*; with metaphony)

ei

amāuī > *amei*
dĕdī > *dei*
factum > *feito*
herī > *eire* ('yesterday')
ripārium > *ribeiro* (see on *-āri-* > *-eir-*)
suspectam > *sospeita*

ɛu

**deut* (< **dĕuit* for *dedit*) > *deu*
ĕgo > *eu*
mĕum > *meu* (and, by analogy, *teu*, *seu* [for archaic *sou* < *suum*])
lĕuem > *ləu* (via Prov.)
 **greue-* > *grɛu* (Prov.; for *grăue-*, by analogy with *lĕue-*)

(These words do not rhyme with those ending in *ɛu*; see below).

eu

*uincēuit (for *uīxit*) > venceu

And so too the preterite 3rd sing. of all weak GP 2nd conjugation verbs ending in *-eu*. No form of this kind is ever used to rhyme with *-eu* as in *eu, meu, seu, deu*.

sandeu, which is of disputed etymology, has final *-eu*.

iu

*rīdīuit (for *rīsīt*) > riiu

*sentīuit (for *sēnsīt*) > sentiū

*uīdīuit (for *uīdīt*) > viu

oi

cogītāre > coidar (also *cuidar*)

{dormitorium > dormidoiro}

ductum > doito

*moriō > moiro

multum > moito (also *muito*)

ou

amāuit > amaut¹³ > amou

causam > cousa

habuit > ouve (metaphony)

saltum > soutu (see below on *-Vlt-* clusters)

*sapuit (for *sapīuit*) > soube (metaphony)

*traxuit (for *traxīt*) > trouxe (metaphony)

uadō > vau > vou

Germ. *kausjan* > *cousir* (via Prov. *cauzir*)

AA *ddáwra* 'turn' > *doura* (Solaz 2)

ui

auscultāre > ascuitar (elsewhere *ascoitar*)

cōgītāre > coidar (also *cuidar*)

{frūctum > fruto}

{luctum > luito}

multum > muito (also *moito*)

Normally, when two vowels come into contact after the loss of intervocalic *l, n, d* or *g* (see below), they continue to constitute two separate syllables: *sālīre* > *sair*, *tēnēre* > *tēer*, *uīdēre* > *veer*, *līgāre* > *liar*. Sometimes the product is a diphthong: *cōgītāre* > *cuidar/coidar*, *dēdī* > *dej*, *rēgem* > *rej*, *ēgo* > *eu*, *uādō* > *vou*, *uādīt* > *vai*. A special case is *māgis* > *mais* which is usually a diphthong, but can scan as two syllables (no such instances are accepted by Cohen 2003, but there is an irrefutable example in CEM 240.13 rhyming with bisyllabic *quaes*).

GALICIAN-PORTUGUESE NASALIZED VOWELS

The fall of intervocalic *n* gave GP a new class of nasalized vowels (ã, ě, ĩ, õ, ũ) and diphthongs (õe, ãe).

-VnV- > nasalized V+V

mānēre > mǎer

tēnēre > tēer

uēnīre > vīir

dōna > dōã

¹³ *-aut* for *-ait* is documented in inscriptions in Pompey (ILV §72).

ūnam > ũa

*corātiōnēs > corações
{panēs > pães}

(See below on intervocalic *n*).

NOTE ON METAPHONY

The term *metaphony* is used here to refer to the effect of a yod /j/ or waw /w/ on the vowel in the preceding syllable (due to anticipatory co-articulation). In GP, metaphony due to yod /j/ is more common than metaphony due to waw /w/. (The terms come from the names of the Hebrew letters corresponding to *y* and *w*.)

METAPHONIC EFFECT OF YOD

tonic *ē* > *i* is due to metaphonic influence of final *i* in:

fēci > figi (also *fiz*, *fix*)
*prē(n)sī (for *prendi*) > *prix*
quaesī(v)ī > *quēsi > *quiji* (also *quix*, *quis*)
uēnī > *vin*

The group *-āri-* before *a* or *u* becomes *-eir-*.

*abellānāriam > *avelaneira*
*barquārium > *barqueiro*
caballārium > *cavaleiro*
carrāriam > *carreira*
*frontāriam > *fronteira*

Cf. *-yri-* > *-eir-* in Grk. *martyrium* > *marteiro*.

The same effect is seen with *-ōri-*.

*moriō > *moiro*
{*dormitorium* > *dormidoiro*}

ǫ > *u* is sometimes due to metaphonic effect:

cōgitāre > *cuidar* (also *coidar*)
obuiāre > *uviar* /-vj-/
pōsī > *puji* (also *puge*, *pus*)
pōtuī > *pudi*
sōlēbat > *suía* (Porto Carreiro 2, v. 4)

METAPHONIC EFFECT OF WAW

a followed by *Cw* is diphthongized.

-a- > -ou-
habuit > *ouve*
iacuit > *jouve*

-a- > -au-
aqua > *augua*

The closing of the *e* in *mētum* > *mēdo* > *mēdo* (rhyming with *çedo* < *çito* and *quēdo* < **quētum*) may be due to metaphony.

ǫ > ɔ
*dōlum > *dɔo*

dõlum should have given an open *o*, but instead yields *dõo*, rhyming with *sõo* < *sõlum*, and once [in Redondo 1] with *negoo* = *negou-o*. The metaphonic influence of *u* in the following syllable was prob. responsible.

NEW DIPHTONGS RESULTING FROM METAPHONY

As seen above, metaphony produces new diphthongs:

au

aqua > augua /auga/

ei

herī > eire ('yesterday')
 mandātārium > mandadeiro
 manuāriam > maneira
 montārium > monteiro
 prīmārium > primeiro
 scutārium > escudeiro

oi

{cõrium > coiro}

ou

placuerit > prouguer
 sapuit (var. of *sapīuīt*) > soube
 *traxuit (for *traxit*) > trouxe

II. EVOLUTION OF CONSONANTS AND CLUSTERS

INITIAL CONSONANTS AND CLUSTERS

(following the order: glides, liquids, nasals, fricatives, stops, clusters)

Summary

1. Initial consonants

i /j/ > j /dʒ/ or /ʒ/
 u /w/ > v /β/

l, r, m, n, f, s, p, b, t, d, remain.

c-, g- remain before a back vowel, but are palatalized before a front vowel:

/k/ + front > /tʃ/ > /s/
 /g/ + front > /dʒ/ > /z/

(the affricate prob. gave way to a fricative at different times in different areas and sociolects).

2. Initial clusters (only *f + l* and *stop + l* are unstable) (-ch- = /tʃ/)

fl- > *ch-*
fl- > *fr-*
fr-

pl- > *ch-*
pl- > *pr-*

pr-

bl- > *br-*
br-

cl- > *ch-*
cl- > *cr-*
cr-

gl- > *gr-*
gr-

INITIAL CONSONANTS

GLIDES

i = /j/ > *j* /dʒ/ or /ʒ/
iācet > *iaz*
iam > *ja*
iōcārī > *jogar*
iūdīcem > *juiz*
iūrāre > *jurar*

u = Lat. /w/ > *v* /β/
uadit > *vai*
uentum > *vento*
uerbum > *vervo*
uīdī > *vi*
uīlem > *vil*
uolāre > *voar*

In words of Germanic origin initial *w* > /gw/ > /g/
 Germ. *warda* > *guarda*, *garda*
 Germ. *werra* > *guerra*
 Germ. *wisa* > *guisa*, *gisa*

LIQUIDS

lauāre > *lavar*
laudāre > *loar*
leue > *leve*
ligāre > *liar*
longum > *longo*
lūcem > *luz*

But the initial / of the pronouns *lo(s)*, *la(s)* is assimilated to a preceding nasal:
bene illum > **benlo* > *benno*, *beno* (written *ben-no*, *ben o*, *bẽ-no*)
in illōs > **en los* > *ennos*, *enos* (written *en-nos* or *enos*, *ẽ-nos*)
nōn illam > **non la* > *nonna*, *nona* (written *non-na*, *non a*, *nõ-na*)

**radia* > *raia*
rem > *ren*
rīuum (*riuum* Ap. Prob) > *rio*
rōstrum > *rostro*

NASALS

mātre(m) > madre
 metum > medo
 *mīrāre (for *mīrarī*) > mirar
 mortem > morte
 mūtāre > mudar

nāscere > nacer
 negāre > negar
 nouās > novas
 numquam > nunca

FRICATIVES¹⁴

fābulārī > falar
 ferīre > ferir
 fidem > fe
 fortem > forte

salem > sal
 semper > sempre
 sīc > se, si
 sonāre > sonar

STOPS: labials (*p, b*); dentals (*t, d*); velars (*c, qu, g*)

Labial stops

panem > pan
 petere > pedir
 pīnum > pino
 pōnere > pōer
 pugnāre > punhar

bellum, bellam > belo, bela
 bene > ben
 bibere > beber

also:

*balliāre (ultimately from Grk. *ballein*) > bailar
 balneāre (Lat. < Grk.) > banhar
 Goth. bandwa [GED, B 22] > bando

b- > v- (?)

*bellīta > velida¹⁵

Dental stops

¹⁴ In Latin fricatives were rare in medial position. All examples of Latin *-s-* derive from *-ss-* (e.g. *caussa* > *causa*), since intervocalic *s* had been voiced and then rhotacized before the classical period. In any event, there are no words in the *cantigas d' amigo* reflecting Classical or Late Latin *-f-* except in compounds, where they occur at a morpheme boundary, e.g. *de&fender*, *re&ferir*, *pro&veito* (< *profectum*).

¹⁵ This etymology is problematic (see Cunha's glossary to Zorro, s.v.). Perhaps here the initial *b* was, in effect, intervocalic within a formula and was voiced in that context: *illa-belliita* > *la-velida*. Malkiel suggests a derivation from *mellitus*.

tardem > tarde
 tē > te
 terram > terra
 tornāre > tornar
 tū > tu

dare > dar
 dē > de
 dīcere > dizer
 dolēre > doer
 dōna > dōas, doas (a rebuilt fem. plural as if from a singular **doa*).
 duās > duas (masc. *dous* < duōs)

Velar stops

c is maintained as /k/ before back vowels:

*capitia > cabeça
 canem > can
 cōgitāre > coidar (also *cuidar*)
 colligere > colher
 cuiium > cujo
 culpa > culpa
 cūrāre > curar

c > /ts/ before front vowels:

ceruum > cervo
 centum > cento
 *cēlum (< caelum) > ceo
 certum > certo
 cingat > cinga

qu- remains. It was pronounced both as /kw/ and /k/ (forms such as *ca*, *cal*, *camanho* show /k/ was common enough. We often find *que* where we would expect *ca*, suggesting there was a fusion of – or confusion between – the two).

qual > qual
 quam ('how much') > quam
 (ante...) quam ('before') > (ante...) ca
 quid > que
 quem > quem
 quia > ca

g- is velar before a back vowel:

gabar (Prov., from Germ.?) > gabar
 garrītam > garrida
 {gaudēre > goir}
 {guttam > gota}
 Prov. gonella > gonela (cf. ML *gunna*, from Celtic; thus, intervocalic *n* and *l* derive here from -*nn-* and -*ll-*)

g- before a front vowel becomes the palatal affricate /dʒ/.

{gelulm > geo}
 gentem > gente
 {gemere > gemer}

INITIAL CLUSTERS WITH TWO CONSONANTS

1. Beginning with a fricative.

f + liquid

fl- > ch-

{*flāgrāre (for *frāgrāre*) > cheirar} (the expected outcome for native words)

fl- > fr-

flōrem > fror, frof

*flōrīta > frofida

(These outcomes represent recent borrowings.)

fl-

flōrem > flor (learned).

fr-

frīgidam > fria

s + stop

Initial combinations of *s* + voiceless stop are retained, but develop an *i*, which then becomes *e*, in front of the cluster:

sT- > iT- > eT-

ML scutārium > escudeiro

speculum > espelho

stāre > estar

stātuāle (cēra) > estadal (only the plural *estadaes* is found in *Amigo*)

sturnum > estorn-inho (with diminutive suffix, in Johan Airas, *pastorela*)

? {Germ. *skiu-, possibly crossed with *skib- [cf. Goth. *skiuban; GED, A 27] > esquivar}

2. Stop + liquid¹⁶

labial + liquid

pl- > ch- /tʃ/ (this is the regular result)

plāgam > chaga

plāgāre > chagar

{plēnum > chēo}

plōrāre > chorar

plūs > chus

*plicāre > chegar

pl- > pr-

placēre > prazer (a relatively late borrowing)

placitum (via Prov. *pleito*) > preito

placitum (> *prazdo) > prazo

plānum (via Prov. *plan*) > pran (in the phrase *de pran*, 'clearly', 'certainly')

pr- is regularly retained:

prātum > prado

prendere > prender

prīvātum > privado

probāre > provar

¹⁶ There are no words beginning with initial *br-*, *dr-* from Latin in the *Cantigas d' Amigo*.

prēnsiōnem > prijon
 prōfectum > proveito

bl- > br-
 {blandum > brando}
 Germ. blank- > branc- (in the proper name *Brancaflor*, *branco* in CSM)
 Prov. blial(t) > brial

br-
 {bracchium (Lat. < Grk.) > braço}
 {breuem > breve}

brio is of disputed etymology.¹⁷

dental + r

tr-
 trāditōrem > traedor
 trēs > tres
 trīstem > triste

dr-
 {dracōnem (Lat. < Grk.) > dragon}

velar + liquid

cl- > ch- /tʃ/
 clāmāre > chamar
 {clāuem > chave}

cl- > cr-
 Clementium > Cremenço (in **V**, for *Clemenço* [Nuno Treez 2, v. 1])
 {clārum > craro}

cr-
 crās > cras
 crēdere > creer
 crēscere > crecer
 crūcem > cruz

gl- > gr-
 glōriōsam > groriosa (learned word)

gr-
 grātum > grado
 *grātulāre > gradoar
 grauem > grave .

INITIAL CLUSTERS WITH THREE CONSONANTS

sTr- > > isTr > esTr-

Initial combinations from Latin *str-* and *scr-* developed an *i*, which then became an *e*, in front of the cluster, just as s + stop (see above)¹⁸.

¹⁷ According to REW, from Celtic *brigos, in which case the cluster would remain. H. Meier suggests *bullīvu-* > *blīvu-* > *brio*, in which case we would have a change of secondary *bl-* > *br-*.

{scriptum > escrito}
 stratum > estrada
 {strictum > estreito}

MEDIAL CONSONANTS AND CLUSTERS

MEDIAL CONSONANTS

GLIDES

i > j /3/
 *aiātis (< habeātis) > ajades
 cuiium > cujo

u > v (normally, just as in initial position)

auem > ave
 leuem > leve
 pauōrem > pavor
 uūere > viver

u is lost as the second part of the diphthong *ou* in the forms of *oir* and *loar*. An epenthetic *v* arises, by contrast, in the forms *ouvir* and *louvar* (see under *au > ou*).

LIQUIDS

-/ is regularly lost:

caelum > çeo
 candēla > candea
 dolēre > doer
 *dolum > doo
 *grātulāre > gradoar
 malum > mao, {malam > maa}
 quālēs > quaes
 recēlāre > reçar
 salīre > sair
 salūtem > saude
 sōla > soa
 sōlēre > soer
 sōlitātem > soidade
 sōlum > soo (adj.; cf. *sol* adv.)
 stātuāles > estadaes ('candles')
 uolāre > voar
 uoluntātem > voontade
 zēlāre > çear ('be jealous')
 zēlōs > çeos ('jealousy')

But -/ survived in

ualēre > valer
 (*color* in Dinis 23 is a learned word; elsewhere regularly *coor*)

¹⁸ Only *sclingō* ('the cry of geese' OLD) and *scloppus* ('the sound made in striking something full of air' OLD) begin with *sc/-* in Latin (*escrarecer* [CSM] < *exclārescere ← exclārāre). And only two words begin with *spr-*, *sprētus* and *sprētor*, both extremely rare. *espranar* (CSM) is a loanword (note the retention of intervocalic *-n-*) and in any event comes from *explanāre*, not from an initial Latin *spr-*. Compare *esprandor* < splendōrem, *espreitar* < explicitāre (both in CSM).

and in an archaism found only in a few *cantigas d'amigo*:

salitum > salido
(in formulas: *mar salido, rio salido*)

-r- is kept:

feritā > ferida
fueram > fora
hōram > ora
īram > ira (learned word)
parāre > parar
plōrāre > chorar

Non-initial *r* is subject to metathesis:

*appect(o)rāre > *apetrar > apertar (Johan Airas, *pastorela*)
barbarum > bravo;
*fermōsam (for *formasam*) > fremosa
inter > entre, antre
Grk. parabola > palavra
*percontāre (for *percontari*) > preguntar
prō > por
retrō > redor (in *derredor*)
semper > sempre
super > sobre

NASALS

-m- remains:

comedere > comer
nominem > nome
rēmāre > remar
timēre > temer

-n- is usually lost and the preceding vowel nasalized:

dōna > dōã
bonam > bōã
*certānam > certãã
*cominitiāre (com + initiāre ← initium) > começar
*indōnātum > endōado
manēre > mǎer
manum > mǎo
minus > mēos
*pēnātam > pēada
perdōnāre > perdōar
pōnere > pōer
*ratiōnātam > razōada
sēmināre > semēar
*sono (← sum) > sōo (cf. It. *sono*)
tenēre > tēer
uānum > vǎo
uenīre > vīir
*uerānum (← ver 'spring') > verǎo (Dinis, *pastorela*)
ūnam > ũã

But -*n*- survives between vowels in a few words found almost exclusively in *cantigas d'amigo*, normally in the incipit, in rhyme, or in the refrain:

abellāna (nux) > avelana ('hazelnut')
fontāna (aqua) > fontana

germāna > irmana (also *irmāa*, *irmaa*)
 *lautiāna ? > louçana (also *louçãa*, *louçaa*)
 *maneāna (← mane 'in the morning') > manhana (Torneol 1)
 pēna (< poena) > pena (Ponte 2)
 pēnata > penada (also *pēada*)
 pīnum > pino (also *pinho* [= *pīo*])
 sānum > sano (elsewhere *são*)
 sonāre > sonar (Giinzo 8, elsewhere *sōar*)
 uenībat > venia (Solaz 2; elsewhere *vīa*, *viinha*)

FRICATIVES¹⁹

-f- > -v-
 {defēnsam > devesa}
 profectum > proveito
 (many examples in Sacks §97)

But intervocalic *f* remains in:

dēfendere > defender
 dēfēnsiōnem > defenson
 *referīre (← referre) > referir
 (The former are learned or borrowed [Williams §72.3a]; the last, if not learned, may be due to a perceived relation between the simplex verb and the compound; compare the retention of intervocalic *t* in *detēer*.)

-s- > /z/
 casa > casa
 causa > cosa
 pausare > posar

STOPS: labials (*p*, *b*); dentals (*t*, *d*); velars (*c*, *qu*, *g*)

The general rule is VTV > VDV (but *paucum* > *pouco*, *autōricāre* > *outorgar*; see above, under *au*).

p > b
 capere > caber
 *cuperāre > cobrar
 recipere > receber
 rīpam > riba
 *rīpārium > ribeiro
 *sapiat > sabha
 sapōrem > sabor
 superbia > sobervha

b > v
 dēbēre > dever
 bibere > beber
 ML caballum > cavalo
 *fībellam (← fībula) > fivela
 habēre > aver

¹⁹ In Latin fricatives were rare in medial position. All examples of Latin *-s-* derive from *-ss-* (e.g. *caussa* > *causa*), since intervocalic *s* had been voiced and then rhotacized before the Classical period. In any event, there are no words in the *cantigas d' amigo* reflecting Classical or Late Latin *-f-* except in compounds, where they occur at a morpheme boundary, e.g. *de&fender*, *re&ferir*, *pro&veito* (< *profectum*).

*marābilīa (← mīrābilīa) > maravilha
 probāre > provar
 *trabāre (← trabs, trabis) > travar

Intervocalic *b* disappears entirely in two very common words:

ībī > i
 ūbī > u

In Proto-Romance intervocalic *b* falls in the all important verb *habeō* > **ayo*. It also falls in the ending of the imperfect, *-ibat* > *-ia* (also found as the stem of the new conditional mood: *-ia* as in *perderia*).²⁰

But *si* for *sībī* and *ti* for *tībī* were prob. influenced by the analogy of *mihī* > *mī* > *mi*. *noscum* and *uoscum* (Ap. Prob.) were also formed by analogy, *not* directly from Lat. *nōbīscum* and *uōbīscum* by loss of intervocalic *b*.

-t- is voiced (but not in autōricāre > *outorgar*, etc. see above under *au*).

cito > cedo
 grātum > grado
 *grātulāre > gradoar
 *latum (for *latus*) > lado
 laetum > ledo
 lītem > lide
 metum > medo
 mūtāre > mudar
 parietem > parede
 prātum > prado
 probātum > provado
 tōtum > todo
 uetāre > vedar
 *uicātam > vegada
 uītam > vida
 uōta > voda
 (*uitar* and *quite* are borrowed from OF).

Rarely, medial *t* is maintained:

dētīnēre > detēer
 (prob. due to analogy with the simplex.)

-d- is lost (sometimes with a change in the first vowel, e.g. *loir*)

benedictiōnem > beençon (intervocalic *n* and *d* are both lost).
 comedere > comer
 crēdere > creer
 crūdādam > crua (in *cruamente*)
 *excadescere (← cadere) > escaecer
 fīdāre (← fidere) > fiar
 iūdicem > juiz
 laudāre > loar (also *louvar*)
 lūdere > loir
 mercēdem > merceer
 paradīsum > paraíso

²⁰ Though often called a tense of the indicative, the conditional functions as the GP equivalent of a Latin potential subjunctive in the apodosis (often with implied protasis) of contrary-to-fact conditions (e.g. CL *si possem, irem* = *se podesse, iria*). The conditional is not used in the protasis of a condition. The forms of the conditional can still be split by a pronoun in GP: *se vos foder podesse, foder-vos-ia* [Johan Soares Coelho CEM 234]).

perfidia > perfia
 sedēre > seḡer
 trāditōrem > traḡdor
 trāditiōnem > traḡon
 *tristēdinem > tristen (‘sadness’, *hapax*)
 uidēre > veer

(*juigar* < iūdicāre is Leon.; it coexists with the expected GP form, trisyllabic {*juigar*}, with regular loss of intervocalic *d*.)

But it is retained as an archaism in:

sedēbat > sedia (Estevan Coelho 1; normally *siía*, rarely *seía*).

-c- > -g- before a back vowel (but not in *paucum* > *pouco*; see above, under *au*).

LL autōricāre > outorgar
 dīcātis > digades
 hōc annō > ogano
 hāc hōrā > agora
 locō > logo
 locālem > logar
 lūcum > Lugo
 pācāre > pagar
 *percontāre > preguntar
 plicāre > chegar
 uacāre > vagar
 uerēcundia > vergonha
 uīcum > Vigo

-līc- > -līg- > -lg-

voicing of -c- occurs before syncopation in:

dēlīcātum > *deligatu- > *delegado > delgado
 ML caballīcāre > *caval’gar > cavalgar
 ML follīcāre > *fol’gar > folgar
 LL sērīcum > *sir’go > sirgo

before a front vowel *c* is palatalized, yielding a voiced affricate or fricative):

-c- > -z- = /dz/ or /z/

addūcere > aduzer (*aduzir*)
 dīcere > dizer
 facere > fazer
 licēre > lezer (subst.)
 *tracēre (for *trahere*) > trager (Leite de Vasconcellos)

-qu- > -g- (with loss of the labial element):

aqua > agua > augua (by metaphony)
 aliquem > alguem
 aliquod > algo
 antīquom > antigo
 *sequire (for *sequi*) > seguir

-x- > /ʃ/ when followed by final -i ; otherwise -x- > /s/.

dīxī > dixi, disse
 addūxī > aduxe

dīxit > disse
 dīxeram > dissera
 addūxisset > adusesse
 addūxit > adusse

-g- is normally lost:

cōgītāre > coidar, cuidar
 *contĭgescere (cf. {conter} [CSM] < *contigere) > conter
 *desmagare (← PGerm. magan) > desmaiar
 frīgīdam > fria
 lēgālem > leal
 līgāre > liar
 mǎgis > mais
 mǎgisteria > maestria (app. from Prov.)
 navīgium > navio
 rēgem > rei
 mea germāna > mha irmana²¹

But *-g-* is not lost in:

fugere > fogir (a striking exception; cf. OSp. *foir*, Sp. *huir*)
 plāgam > chaga
 plāgāre > chagar
 negāre > negar
 rogāre > rogar

-gn- yields palatal *-nh-* /*ɲ*/

-gn- > *-nh-*:

cognōscere > conhecer
 pugnāre > punhar
 quam magnum > camanho
 tam magnum > tamanho

But *-gn-* gives a different result in several words:²²

insignāre > ensinar
 rēgnum > reino (possibly due to the influence of *rei* < *regem*)

MEDIAL GEMINATE CONSONANTS

All medial geminate consonants except *-rr-* and *-ss-* are reduced to a single consonant and remain.

-ll- > *-l-*

abellelāna (nux) > avelana
 allongāre < alongar
 bellam > bela
 *bellītam > velida
 *fallītus (← fallere) > falido
 illāc > alá
 ille > ele
 illīc > alí

²¹ The change *germāna* > *irmana* can be explained by assuming that *g* was lost intervocally in phrases such as *mea germana* > *mia irmana*. We see similar treatment of word-final and word-initial consonants in the formulas *hōc annō* > *ogano*, *hāc hōra* > *agora* and (perhaps) *illa* > *la velida*. In the first two cases *c* is kept at word-end (against the rule) and voiced to *g*, while in the second case *b* > *v* takes place at the beginning of a word. Cf. also *ad* + GP *inda* > *ainda*. Cunha (Zorro, s.v.) accepts Malkiel's argument that this word suffered an early palatalization and loss of *g*, which we could summarize as *ge-* > *ye* > *yi* > *i*. The argument goes back to Cornu (accepted by Meyer Lübke).

²² These words have in common the fact that a front vowel, *i* or *e*, precedes *-gn-*. But the explanation may be merely that they entered GP later than the words in the first set.

illōc > aló
 mīlle > mil
 uīllam > vila
 ML caballum > cavalo

-rr- is maintained
 accurere > acorrer
 errāre > errar
 *morrere > morrer
 terram > terra
 turrem > torre

-mm- > -m-
 *cammīnum (Celt.) > caminho
 committere > cometer

-nn- > -n-
 hōc annō > ogano
 ingannum > engano
 ML pannum > pano

-ff- > -f-
 afeitar > affectāre
 *suffrēre (for *sufferre*) > sofrer

-ss- is maintained:
 fēcisset > fezesse
 possum > posso
 passāre > passar
 passer > passar (Ap. Prob.) → passar-inha (Johan Soarez Coelho 5)

-pp- > -p-
 appōnere > apõer
 apprehendere > aprender
 ML cappa > capa

-bb- > -b-
 In borrowings from Germanic:
 *a + dubbare (← Germ. *dubban*, through OF) > adubar
 Germ. via Prov. (?) gabban → gabar

-tt- > -t-
 mittere > meter
 attendere > atender
 attribuere > atrever
 committere > cometer
 (cf. AA hatta > atá)

-dd- > -d-
 addūcere > aduzer (aduzir)
 ad + dūrē > adur (or via Prov. *adur*?)

-cc- > -c- (/k/)
 accalumniāre > acoomhar
 *accordāre > acordar
 eccum ille > aquele
 eccum iste > aqeste

eccum hāc > acá
 eccum hīc > aquí
 eccum hinc > aquen

-gg- > -g-
 aggravāre > agravar

CONSONANT FOLLOWED BY YOD

Medial Clusters consisting of a consonant followed by yod (deriving from an *i* or an *e* in hiatus) yield different results. Normally the consonant is palatalized. Sometimes there is a metaphonic effect on the vowel of the preceding syllable.

/-uy-/ > /vj/
 seruiat > servha
 (secondary) o(b)viāre > uviar
 (both examples are bisyllabic)

-li- > -lh-

Medial *l* is palatalized, becoming /ʎ/
 cōsiliūm > conselho
 *marābilia > maravilha
 meliōrem > melhor
 milium > milho
 mulierem > molher
 *similiāre (for *simulāre*) > semelhar (cf. *sembrar*)
 ualeat > valha

The same holds for -lli-

illiu- (gen. *illius* or *illius*) > lhi, lhe
 nulliu- (gen. *nullius* [the *i* is given as long in grammars, but can also be short]) > nulho

The group -*ári-* before *a* or *u* becomes -*eir-* due to metaphony

*abellānāriam > avelaneira
 *barquārium > barqueiro
 carrāriam > carreira
 frontāriam > fronteira
 mandātārium > mandadeiro
 manuāriam > maneira
 montārium > monteiro
 primārium > primeiro
 scutārium > escudeiro

-my- > /mʲ/
 dormiō > dormho
 (secondary) *accalumniāre > acoomhar

-ny- > /ɲ/
 balneāre > banhar
 *compania (← pan) > companha
 *extrāneāre > estranhar
 ĩnsāniam > sanha
 *maneāna > manhana
 maneō > manho
 seniōrem > senhor
 somniāre > sonhar (see below on -*mn-* clusters)

teneō > tenho
 ueniō > venho

s followed by *i* can become *j* (= /dʒ/ or /ʒ/):
 {mānsistes (perf. 2nd pl. of *manēre*) > majestes}
 *posī (for *posuī* / *posīvī*) > pugi
 prēnsiōnem > prijon
 {vīsiōnem > vijon}

*sapiat > sabha /bʲ/)

t is palatalized, resulting in /ts/ or /s/

*altiāre > alçar
 *capitia > cabeça
 *coratiōnem > coração
 fortia > força
 grātiam > graça
 *mentiātis > mençades (vs. *mentire > mentir)
 orātiōnem > oraçon
 partitiōnem > partiçon
 petitiōnem > pediçon
 pretiāre > preçar
 sacrātiōnem > sagraçon
 sentiō > senço (cf. sentīre > sentir)
 tertiarium > tercer (with apocope, as in *tercer dia*, with a monophthong instead of a diphthong; cf. *terceiro*)
 trīstitiam > tristeça
 uitiōsum > viçoso

d is usually palatalized, producing the affricate /dʒ/ or the fricative /ʒ/

-dy- > -j-

*dēsidium > desejo
 hodiē > hoje
 inuidia > enveja
 uideō > *uidyo > vejo
 sedeō > *sedyo > sejo

(The result -ç- instead of -j- in *perdiat (for *perdat*) > *perça* may have arisen by analogy with forms like *faciat* > *faça*, *sentiāt* > *sença*)

But *d* is lost before an *ī* in hiatus in:

badium (Latin < Celt.) > baio ('bay') in *baiosinho* (with diminutive suffix, Dinis 17).
 medium > meio (elsewhere *meo*)
 *radiam > raia (rhyming with *saia* in Johan Airas, *pastorela*)

-cy- > /ts/ or /s/

*amināciāre > amēçar
 faciō > faço

-gy- : *g* can also be lost before yod:

LL *sagiam* > saia

-gn- > -nh- /n/

cognōscere > conhecer
 pugnāre > punhar
 quam magnum > camanho
 tam magnum > tamanho

MEDIAL CLUSTERS

(other than a consonant followed by yod; see above)

These are listed according to the first element in the general order: glide (*i, u*), liquid (*l, r*), nasal (*m, n*) fricative (*f, s*), stop (in the order *p, b, t, d, c, qu, g*). The same order is followed in each subsection for the second element of the cluster.

Summary**1. Stable**

-ls- (falso)
 -lp-
 -lt- (alto)
 -rm-
 -rf-
 -rp-
 -rt-
 -rd-
 -rc- + back
 -rg- + back
 -mp-
 -mb-
 -nt-
 -nd-
 -nc- + back
 -nqu- + back
 -ng- + back
 -sc- + back
 -sp-
 -st-
 -sc- + back

2. Unstable

-lu- > -lv-
 -ru- > -rv-
 -lb- > -lv-
 -Vlt- > -Vt-
 -alt- > -out-
 -ult- > -uit-, -oit-
 -alc- + front > -ouc-
 -rl- > -l- (secondary)
 -rs- > -ss-
 -rb- > -rv-
 -rc- + front > /ts/
 -rqu- + front > /ts/
 -rg- + front > -rj- /dʒ/
 -ml- > -mbr- (secondary)
 -nl- > -nn- (secondary)
 -mn- > -n-
 -nu- > -n-
 -nu- > -v-
 -ns- > -s-
 -nc- > + front > /nts/
 -ng- + front > /ndʒ/
 -fl- > -ch-

-su- > -s-
 -sl- > -l-
 -sc- + front > /ts/
 -zd- > -z- (secondary)
 -pl- > -ch-
 -pl- > -pr- (borrowings)
 -pr- > -br-
 -bl- > -l-
 -bl- > -br- (secondary)
 -br- > -vr-
 -br- > -b- (secondary)
 -bt- > -lt- (secondary & Leon.)
 -bd- > -d- (secondary)
 -tu- > -t-
 -tr- > -dr-
 -du- > -v-
 -dg- > -lg- (secondary & Leon.)
 -cl- > -lh- (secondary)
 -cr- > -gr-
 -gr- > -ir-
 -ps- > -ss-
 -pt- > -t-
 -bu- > -v-
 -du- > -v-
 -Vct- > -Vt-
 -act- > -eit-
 -ict- > -it-
 -oct- > -oit-
 -uct- > -oit-

I. Two-Consonant Clusters

1. The first member is a liquid.

The first member is /l/.

-lu- > -lv-
 {doluērunt > dolveron}
 saluum > salvo
 ualuerit > valver
 {uoluere > volver}

-ls-
 falsum > falso
 falsitātem > falsidade

l + consonant

All stops except *b* are preserved following *l*. But *l* is usually vocalized in the combinations *-alt-* and *-ult-*, forming a diphthong with the preceding vowel.

-lp-
 culpa > culpa

-lb- > -lv- (with *b* > *v*, as intervocalically)
 albam > alva
 ML albōrem > alvor

-lt-

-alt- > -out-

alt(e)rum > outro

saltum > souto (Johan Airas, *pastorela*)

But *-alt-* remains in:

altum > alto

altāre > altar (prob. a learned word)

-ult- > -uit-, -oit-

auscultāre > ascuitar (elsewhere *ascoitar*)

a + *uoltōrem > avuitor ('vulture')

multum > muito, moito

-lc- : the group *-alc-* before a front vowel becomes *-ouc-* :

{calcem > couce}

The first member is *r*.

-ru- > -rv-

servīre > servir

seruum > servo

ceruum > cervo

-rl- > -l-

(secondary) per + illum > perlo > pelo

(secondary) prō + illum > porlo > polo

(secondary) quaerit illum > querlo > quello (written *que-lo*)

AA macar (< Grk. makaire) + lo > macalo (written *maca-lo*)

-rm-

dormīre > dormir

germānam > irmana, irmãa

tormenta > tormenta

-rn-

tornāre > tornar

{perna > perna}

-rf-

perfacere > perfazer

perfida > perfia

perfidīare > porfiar

-rs- > -ss-

{versum > vesso

persōna > pessoa}

r + stop

After *r* all consonants except *b* are preserved (*c* and *g* being palatalized before front vowels).

-rp-

*corpum > corpo

*turpitātem > torpidade

-rb- > -rv- (with *b* > *v*, as intervocalically)

disturbāre > destorvar

herbam > erva
uerbum > uervo

-rt-

artem > arte
fortem > forte
mortem > morte
partem > parte

-rd-

ardēre > arder
{merdam > merda}
perdōnāre > perdōar

-rc- remains before a back vowel

arcum > arco
bāricam (< Grk. < Coptic) > barca
circāre > cercar

But -rc-, -rqu- > -rç- /rts/ or /rs/ before a front vowel.

*parcīre (for *parcere*) > parcir
{torquēre > torcer}

-rg- > -rg- with velar *g* before a back vowel:

ergō > ergo
uirgō > virgo (learned word)

But -rg- > -rj- /dʒ/ or /ʒ/ before a front vowel:

{mergere > merger}

even when secondary

er(i)gere > erger

2. The first member is a nasal.

nasal + u

-nu- > -n-

manuāria > maneira.

-nu- > -v-

But in once case *n* app. becomes intervocalic in front of anaptyctic *u* and then falls, leaving *v*.

tēnuit > *tēñuit > *tēove > teve²³

²³ Williams (§199.8) says *tenuit* became *teve* by analogy with *seve* (< *seduit*). But an analogical formation seems unlikely, given that *tev-* is far more frequent than *sev-*. Santamarina rightly doubts a reconstruction **tēñuit* with analogical *ē* (see GHG §219e); he is not thinking of the possibility of an anaptyctic vowel, which would have been short coming from *tēnuit*. Piel (p. 234) sees an intermediate **tēñvi* (< *tenuī*) with the nasal then assimilated to *v*. Sacks (§142), however, cites the forms *teobe*, *teoue*, *teube*, and *teuerunt* (all eleventh century), where the spellings *-eo-* and *-eu-* cannot be explained by analogy with *seve* or by **tēnuit* but are consistent with an intermediate **tēñvit* (*teuerunt* apparently represents **tēñv-ū-uē-runt*). The anaptyctic *u* would have arisen in HL, after the syncope of *-Cuw-* in Proto-Romance but long before the fall of intervocalic *n*. (On metrically verifiable diaeresis of *u* before a vowel in Latin, see OHCGL, p. 66 [with note 16], which cites *silūae* [for *silvae*], *ācūāi* [for *āquae*], and *sūādent* [for *suādent*]). Compare *coube* < **ca-bu-ui* < **capuit*; *soube* < **sa-bu-ui* < **sapuit* (in both cases, voicing of intervocalic *-p-* can only take place if an anaptyctic vowel has developed).

nasal + liquid

-ml- > -mbr-

An epenthetic *-b-* appears in:

sim(i)lante > semblante (< OF)

*sim(i)lāre > sembrar (< OF; cf. the native *semelhar*)

-nl- > -nn-

in + illum > enlo > enno (written *en-no* or *eno*)

in + illa > enla > enna (written *en-na* or *ena*)

in + illōs > enlos > ennos (written *en-nos* or *enos*)

in + illās > enlas > ennas (written *en-nas* or *enas*)

nasal + nasal

Usually an *m* before an *n* is lost :

-mn- > -n-

damnum > dano

somnum > sono

also when secondary:

domina > domna > dona

secondary *-nm-* > *-m-* (by dissimilation following syncope)

anima > *anma > alma

vowel + fricative

-ns-

In Latin *-Vns-* > *-Vs-* is widely attested: the nasal is lost and the vowel lengthened:

admōnstāre > amostrar

pēnsāre > pesar

-ns- is a sign of learned words or borrowed words:

cōnsentire > consentir

pēnsāre > pensar

-nf-

There are two outcomes. The *n* can be retained:

confundere > confonder

*infingēre/*infingire > enfenger/enfengir

Or it can be lost:

confundere > cofonder

nasal + stop

All stops remain following a nasal, but *c* and *g* are palatalized before a front vowel.

-mp-

rumpere > romper

semper > sempre

-mb-

ambōs > ambos

-nt-

ante > ante
 cantāre > cantar
 fontem > fonte
 *leuantāre > levantar
 mentem > mente
 montem > monte
 quantum > quanto
 sentīre > sentir
 tantum > tanto

-nd-

dēfendere > defender
 inde > ende
 mandāre > mandar
 mundum > mundo
 unde > onde

-nc- > /nts/ or /ns/ before a front vowel:

vincere > vencer
ML lanceāre > lançar

-nqu- > -nk-

nunquam > nunca

-ng- remains before a back vowel:

cingat > cinga
 *infingat > enfinga
 longum > longo

-ng- > /ndʒ/ or /nʒ/ before a front vowel:

cingere > cinger
 ĩfingere > enfinger
 longē > longi (adv.)
 tangere > tanger

3. The first member is a fricative

-su- > -s-

{consuere > coser}

(secondary) -sl- > -l-

deus + illum > deulo (written *Deu-lo*)
 totās illās > todaslas > todaslas
 uidētis illum > vedeslo > vedelo (written *vede-lo*)

s + stop

Following *s*, voiceless stops – *p*, *t*, *k* (= *c* in front of a back vowel) – are normally maintained:

-sp-

dispectum > despeito
 suspīrāre > sospirar
 suspecta > sospeita

-st-

hostem > oste
 iste > este
 stāre > estar

Prov. *toste* (for *tosto*) > *toste*

-sc- remains before a back vowel:

abscondere > *asconder*
 auscultāre > *ascuitar*
 cognōscō > *conhosco*
 LL *noscum* (for *nōbīscum*) > *nosco*
 LL *uoscum* (for *uōbīscum*) > *vosco*
 **nāscat* (for *nāscātur*) > *nasca*
 **scutārium* > *escudeiro*

But -sc- before a front vowel becomes -ç- /ts/ or /s/:

**contigescere* (← *contingere*) > *contecer*
 cognōscere > *conhocer*
 crēscere > *crecer*
 **merescēre* (← *merēre*) > *merecer*
 **nāscēre* (for *nāscī*) > *nacer*
 **parescēre* (← *parēre*) > *parecer*

Exceptionally, -sc- > x /ʃ/ in a Galician placename:

Crexente < *crēscentem* (Johan Airas, *pastorela*)

(secondary) -zd- > -dz- > -z-

placitum > **prazdo* > **pradzo* > *prazo* (cf. *preito*, from same source but though Prov.)
recitāre > **rezdar* > **redzar* > *rezar* (*rezo* in Bolseiro 1)

4. The first member is a stop.

Stop + u

-tu- > -t-

u is generally lost after *t* but the consonant remains:

{*batuere* > *bater*}
mortuum > *morto*

But *t* can also be voiced (before *u* drops out)

-tu- > -d-

potuerat > *podera*
 {*futuere* > *foder*}

-du- > -v- (by assimilation)

aduenit > *aven*
aduentum > *avento*

-du- > -v- after the loss of intervocalic -d- in:

{**crēduī*, -uit (for *crēdidī*, -it) > *crivi*, *crive*, *creve*}
 **seduī*, -uit (for *sēdī*, -it) > {*sivi*, *sive*}, *seve*.

stop + liquid

-pr- > -br-

{**capra* > *cabra*}

Secondary, after syncope:

ap(ě)rīre > *abrir*
 **cup(e)rāre* > *cobrar*

*incop(ě)rire (← coperire, var. of *cooperire*) > encobrir

-bl- > -ll- > -l- (see Williams §86.2)

*fābulāre (for *fābulāri*) > *fallar > falar²⁴

sub illum > *soblo > *sollo > solo (written *so-lo*)

{ubī illum > *ublo > *ullo > ulo (written *u-lo*, similarly *u-los*, *u-la*, *u-las*)}

(secondary) -bl- > -br-

secondary {ambulāre > ambrar}

nōbilem > nobre (learned)

-br- > -vr-

{librum > livro}

(secondary) -br- > -vr- (after syncope of -o-)

labōrāre > lavrar (or did *b* > *v* precede syncope?)

(secondary) -br- > -b-

super + illum > sobrelo > sobelo (loss of *r* due to following *l*)

? superc(u)lum > *sobrelho > *sobelho > sobejo (If the etymon is correct, -*j*- shows this is a non-native form; prob. from Castilian.)²⁵

-tr- > -dr-

mātrem > madre

patrem > padre

patrōnem > padron

petram > pedra

-cl- (resulting from syncope) > -lh-²⁶

nec *micac(u)la > nemigalha

oc(u)lum (*oclum* Ap. Prob.) > olho

spec(u)lum > espelho

-cr- > -gr-

lucrāre > lograr

sacrātionem > sagraçon

sacrātum > sagrado

-ct- > -zd- > /dz/ or /z/

rec(i)tāre > *rezdar > rezar

-gr- > -ir-

g is palatalized, becoming yod and diphthongizing the preceding vowel

{*fragrāre (for *flāgrāre*) > cheirar}

{integrum > inteiro}

-gr- sometimes remains in learned words

²⁴ *fābulāre* might have turned out differently. If it had not suffered syncope but had lost the intervocalic -*l*- it could have yielded **favoar*. And if it had syncopated it might have resulted in **fabrar* (cf. *ambulāre* > *ambrar*) or **favlar* (cf. OS *fablar* and the form *favlan* in a GP passage in Raimbaut de Vaqueiras). Compare *tavoa* (< *tabula*), *tavoeiro*, *tavleiro* (both < *tābulariu-*), *tavliã* (< *tabulīna*), all forms found in CSM.

²⁵ If the variant in Johan Meendiz de Briteiros 1, v. 7 *sobreio* **B** (*sobeio* **V**) is correct, it would represent *sobrejo* < **sobrelho*.

²⁶ But compare {*periculum* > *perigoo*}, app. with an intervening **perigulo* (voicing of *c* > *g* took place before syncope – otherwise we should have gotten **perilho*).

{nigrum > negro}

stop + fricative

-ps- > -ss- (or final -s) in:

ipse, ipsa, ipsum > esse, essa, esso
met- + ipse > medes (maybe from Prov.)

b is assimilated to following *v*:

-bv- > -v-
obuiāre > uviar (= /uv^jar/)

-x- /ks/ > /ʃ/ sometimes with metaphonic effect on back vowel in preceding syllable

dīxī > dixe
laxāre > leixar
*traxuit > trouxe

ex- > es-

*excadēscere > escaecer
expetere > espedir
*extrāneāre > estranhar

stop + stop

The second consonant remains; the first can be lost or transformed, and sometimes yields a diphthong:

-pt- > -t-

captāre < catar ('look for')
{septem > sete}
{scriptum > escrito}

(secondary) -bd- > -lt-

{dub(i)tāre > *dubdar > dultar (Leon.; compare GP *duvidar*, *dovidar*, without syncope)}

(secondary) -bd- > d

*recabdar (< recapitāre) > recadar

(secondary) -dg- > -lg-

*judgar (< iūdicāre) > julgar (Leon. [Cintra, pp. 320-21]; the native GP form, found elsewhere, is trisyllabic *juigar* without syncope)
{LL *natica* > *nadega* > **nadga* > *nalga*} is Leon.; cf. Port. and Gal. *nadega* without syncope}

-Vct- > -Vt-

c is lost and the preceding vowel becomes a diphthong, except in the case of *-ict-*.

-act- > -eit-

factum > feito
tractam > treita

-ect- > -eit-

affectāre > afeitar
affectum > afeito (adv. 'certainly')
*dectāre (de + iectāre) > deitar
dērēctum > dereito
dispectum > despeito
suspecta > sospeita

-ict- > -it-
dictum > dito

-oct > -oit-
*coctam (< coacta) > coita
noctem > noite
{octo > oito}

-uct- > -oit-
ductum > doito (Dinis, *pastorela*)

II. Three-Consonant Clusters

Summary

-rct- > -ct-
-rbi- > -rvh-
-mny- > -nh-
 secondary -mny- > -mh-
-mpt- > -nt-
 secondary -ntp- > -np-
 secondary -ndg- > -ng-
-mpl- > -nch-
-mpl- > -mpr-
-ncl- > -nch-
-nct- > -nt-
 secondary -ngl- > -nlh-/ -nh-
-ffl- > -ch-
-spu- > -sp-
-str- > -ss- (?)
 secondary -scl- > -scr-
-ppl- > -ch-
-bsc- > -sc-
 secondary -ctr > -tr- > -rt-

1. The first member is a liquid

-rct- > -ct-
*experctāre > espertar (?)
{farctum > farto}

-rbi- > -rvh- /rvj/ (with b > v, as intervocalically)
superbia > sobervha

2. The first member is a nasal.

-mny- > -nh-
somniāre > sonhar
somniaum > sonho

secondary -mny- > -mh-
accalumniāre > acoomhar (*calomiare* registered by Sacks §82 [10th cent.])
(Here *m* remains and is palatalized by yod).

In the following cases the middle consonant is lost:

-mpt- > -nt-

comp(u)tāre > contar
 com(u)ptum > conto
 (with *m* > *n*, as always before a dental.)

secondary -ntp- > -np-
 *ant(e)parāre > amparar
 (with *n* > *m*, as always before a labial).

secondary -ndg-
 -ndic- > -ndig- > -ndg- > -ng-
 vind(i)cāre > vingar (intervocalic *c* is voiced before syncope, then *d* is lost in front of the resulting *g*).

-nct- > -nt-
 *infinctā > enfinta (the past part. of *finġere* is *fictum*; *-n-* was added by analogy).
 cīnctam > cinta
 punctum > ponto
 sanctum > santo

secondary -ngl-
 *singulāriam > senlheira ('alone')
 (senlheira is the form found in **BV**; in **V** the cluster is simplified: *senneira* [nn = /ŋ/]).

nasal + stop + liquid

-mpl- > -nch- /ntʃ/
 {amplum > ancho}
 {implēre > encher}

-mpl- > -mpr-
 complētum > comprido (semi-learned?)

-ncl- > -nch- /ntʃ/
 {inclūdere > enchoir}

3. The first member is a fricative

-ffl- > -ch- /tʃ/ or /ʃ/
 afflāre > achar

-spu- > -sp-
 conspuere > conspir

-str- > -str-
 rōstrum > rostro (elsewhere *rosto*)

But in two common words we apparently find *-str-* > *-ss-*
 nostrum > nosso
 *uostrum (with analogical *o*) > vosso
 (These have been attributed to VL **nossum*, **vossum*)

(secondary) -scl- > -scr-
 *misc(u)lāre > mezcrar

4. The first member is a stop.

A geminate consonant followed by *r* remains

apprendere > aprender
 attribuere > atrever
 aggravāre > agravar

But *-ppl-* > *-ch-* /*tʃ*/ (like initial *p/* in *plagāre* > *chagar*)
applicāre > *achegar*

-bsc- > *-sc-*
abscondere > *asconder*

(secondary) *-ctr* > *-tr-* > *-rt-*
 **appect(o)rāre* (← *pectore-*) > *apertar* (with metathesis)

FINAL CONSONANTS AND CLUSTERS

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l

Cases of final / in GP do not derive from final / in Latin, except for *sal* > *sal* ('salt').

fallit > *fal*
male > *mal*
mīlle > *mil*
sālem > *sal*
salit > *sal*
solet > *sol*
sōle > *sol* (Johan Airas, *pastorela*)
sōlum > *sol* (adv.)
ualet > *val*
uīlem > *vil*

(Care should be taken to distinguish between *sol* 'sun' < *sōlem*, *sol* (adv. = 'only') < *sōlum*, and the verb form *sol* 'is accustomed to' < *solet*, 3rd p. sg. pres. of *sōlĕre*).

r

GP final *-r* comes from a Latin final *-r* in the prepositions *per* and *par*. Other cases of final *r* in GP do not derive from a Latin final *r*.

ad > *ar* (Cohen & Weiss).²⁷
ad dūrē > *adur* (< Prov. ? or native [Lapa])
amāre > *amar* (and all infinitives)
fuerit > *for* (and all 1st and 3rd sing. fut. subj. forms)
maiōrem > *maior*
mare > *mar*
minōrem > *mëor*

²⁷ The etymology of this adverb (or particle) is disputed. Latin *-d-* sometimes becomes *-r-* in proclisis before a labial, e.g. (in inscriptions) *ARFVISE* = *adfuisse*, *ARVORSUM* = *aduorsum*, *APURFINEM* = *apud finem* (OHCGL 475-76). Thus, *aduĕñire*, for example, would have given rise first to a verb *aruĕñire*, whence *arvĕir*, subsequently re-analyzed as *ar vĕir* with *ar* becoming a particle that nearly always precedes a verb (or verbal phrase, or a negative just before a verb). Hence, in Berdia 5, *quen leve vai, leve x' ar ven, ar ven* would be the phonological, morpho-syntactic and semantic heir to *aruenit*. The Latin grammarians provide ample evidence for this etymology. Priscian (5th to 6th cent. CE), for example, writes: *antiquissimi uero pro ad frequentissime ar ponebant: aruenas, aruentores, aruocatos, arfines, aruolare, arfari dicentes pro aduenas, aduentores, aduocatos, adfines, aduolare, adfari...* (Weiss, OHCGL blog). And, as Weiss mentions (*ibidem*), "The so-called Glossary of Placidus (CGL 5.7.34 and 5.48.29) gives *arueniet: adueniet*".

parem > par

Latin final -r is metathesized in:

inter > entre, antre
 pro > por
 semper > sempre
 super > sobre

m

Final *m* is lost in all verbal endings:²⁸

imperf. indic. amābam > amava
plup. indic. amāueram > amara
pres. subj. amem > ame
imperf. subj. amārem > amar (personal infin.)
fut. perf. indic. amāuerim > amar (fut. subj.)
plup. subj. amāuissem > amasse

Final *m* is also lost in nearly all acc. sing. endings in adjectives, participles, nouns and pronouns:

altum > alto
 amātum > amado
 amīcam > amiga
 amīcum > amigo
 bonam > bõa
 grauem > grave
 illum > lo
 illam > la
 manum > mão
 partem > parte
 turrem > torre

It is kept, exceptionally, in monosyllables (and in *alguen* by analogy with *quen*)

aliquem > alguem (alguen)
 quam > quam (quan)
 quem > quem (quen)
 rem > rem (ren)
 tam > tam (tan)

n

Final *n* is kept in:

in > en
 nōn > non

s

Final *s* remains in verb forms, in the plural of nouns, adjectives, participles, pronouns, and in the adverbs *cras*, *mais* and *mêos*.

amātis > amades
 amīcās > amigas
 amīcōs > amigos
 *bellītās > velidas
 causās > cousas
 crās > cras
 es > es

²⁸ In *sõo* < *sono (cf. It. *sono*) the *til* in *õ* is a vestige of the final -*m* of *sum*, which in turn is the only trace in Latin of the PIE primary athematic 1st pers. sing. ending -*mi* (as in Vedic *ásmi* 'I am', Eng. *am*; OHCGL 385).

gravēs > graves
 illōs > -los, os
 illās > -las, as
 magis > mais
 minus > mēos
 quaerimus > queremos
 vēnistis > vēestes

Final *s* is assimilated to a following initial *l* of the pronouns *lo(s)*, *la(s)*. See *-l-* under medial clusters

b

Final *b* is lost in:
 sub > so

But it is assimilated to a following *l* in:

sub illum > *soblo > *sollo > solo (written *so-lo*)
 {ubī illum > *ublo > ulo (written *u-lo*)}

t

Final *t* is lost everywhere except in the word *éste* (see below).

In all verb forms:

amat > ama
 amābat > amava
 *audent (for *audiunt*) > oen
 addūxisset > adussesse
 cadit > cae
 dīxērunt > disseron
 dīxerat > dissera
 dīxit > disse
 fēcerint > fezeren
 sentiat > sença
 solēbat > soía (suía)
 vēnerit > vēer
 valet > val

And also in:

et > e
 quōmodo et > come

In *éste* < est *-t* is not final even though we find *est* in the MSS. This form is used only before vowels (hence, with elision of the final *-e*), while *éste* is always used before consonants.

d

Final *d* is lost:

ad > a
 *ale (from *alid* for *aliud*?) > al
 aliquod > algo
 eccum istud > aquesto
 istud > esto
 per ad > pera (maybe with accent on the last syllable)
 quid > que

c

Final *c* is lost in:

eccum hāc > acá
 eccum hīc > aquí
 eccum hinc > aquen

illāc > alá
 illīc > alí
 illōc > aló
 in tunc > enton
 per hoc > pero (maybe with accent on the final syllable)
 quōmodo ac > coma (equivalent to *como* < quōmodo and *come* < quōmodo et)

FINAL CLUSTERS

-nt > -n
 amant > aman
 vident > veen
 dīxerint > disseren
 sunt > son

-nc > n
 in tunc > enton
 illinc > alén

-x /ks/ > -s
 dē ex > des

-st > -s
 post > pos
 ad post > apos
 dē post > depos

-st disappears in est > é (cf. OSp. *es*) but is kept as an archaism in *éste* (with paragogic -e)

Apocope of final syllables.

A few adjectives and adverbs normally suffer apocope in proclitic position. In particular, *grande* / *gran*, *ende* / *en*, *muito* / *mui* function as allomorphs: the longer form is regularly found, with elision, before an initial vowel (e.g. *grand' amor*, *end' aver*, *muit' amar*); the shorter form appears in front of an initial consonant.

centum > cento / cen
 bonum > bõo / bon
 dominum > domnum > {dono} / don
 grandem > grande / gran
 inde > ende / en
 malum > mao / mal (e.g. *mal sem*, *mal dia*)
 multum > muito / mui
 sanctum > santo / san (in the names of saints)

It is uncertain whether *tam* and *quam* derive from Lat. *tam*, *quam* or from *tanto* and *quanto* in proclisis (REW 8546 favors the former hypothesis; Huber §158b, Williams §74b, GHG §21c.1 prefer the latter; Corominas, s.v. *tanto*, is undecided). A continuation of Lat. *tam* and *quam* seems more likely, given the Iberian Romance evidence.

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