On the Date of the Nyāyâvatāra

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The Nyāyâvatāra, a work in thirty-two verses—and hence also called Dvātrimśikā—ascribed by tradition to Siddhasena Divākara, is deemed to open a new cra in the history of Jaina epistemology. It is mostly in the realm of Jaina epistemic pursuits that the Dvātrimśikā might claim the status of an innovative or prototypical work. When we, however, consider the development of logic and epistemology in India on a larger scale, the work seems to lose its flavour of originality and novelty.

The problem of the exact dating of the Nyāyâvatāra¹ should be solved independently, irrespective of whether the work can be accurately ascribed to a Siddhasena (Divākara?), the celebrated author of a series of Dvātrimśikās, to a Siddhasena (Divākara?), the author of the Sanmati-tarka-prakaraṇa or to some other Siddhasena (?). Just to mention in passing, several features of the Nyāyâvatāra and the Sanmati-tarka-prakaraṇa evince a discrepant attitude towards the Jaina Canon and tradition of both works, different choice of vocabulary, which was not necessitated by the use of different languages (Sanskrit and Prakrit), and the notions and ideas they use are likewise at variance. Accordingly, it seems to me that both works must have apparently been written by two different people.²

¹ The most comprehensive bibliographic survey of publications on Siddhasena Divākara is furnished by UPADHYE (1971) in his 'Introduction' (pp. xi-xxvii) and 'Bibliographic Survey' (pp. *3-*72). A few more publications have been published since the review: MOOKERJEE (1971), DHAKY (1981–82), GRANOFF (1989–1990), DHAKY (1990), DHAKY (1995) and WAYMAN (1996).

² The question has been discussed at length in BALCEROWICZ (forthcoming). A detailed comparison of the contents, style and philosophical background of Siddhasena Divākara's Nyāyâvatāra and Siddhasena *Mahāmati's Sammati-tarka-prakarana (vide infra p. 47 f.), brings me to the conclusion that these two works were written by two different persons. Following the findings presented in BALCEROWICZ (forthcoming), esp. in view of the lack of any hint that the author of STP. knew of Dinnāga, I would maintain that STP, must have been composed slightly before or circa 500 C.E.

On subsequent pages I shall try to establish the chronology of the *Nyāyâvatāra* and its correlation to other, mostly Buddhist, works.

There is a variance of opinions regarding the date of Siddhasena as the author of the *Nyāyāvatāra* and the date of the *Nyāyāvatāra*, and these fall in four groups: (1) Siddhasena was pre-Dinnāgan³, (2) Siddhasena flourished soon after Dinnāga and before Dharmakīrti⁴, (3) Siddhasena belongs to a post-Dharmakīrtian tradition⁵, whereas (4) some hold that his date is still an open question⁶.

The first to notice some chronological dependence of NA was JACOBI (1926: iii), who observed that 'To about the same time [i.e. Śaka-year 598 = 677 C.E.—P.B.] belongs Siddhasenadivākara whom Haribhadra quotes; for he uses, no doubt Dharmakīrti¹, though he does not name him.' There are two points, according to him, that justify such a conclusion: (1) Siddhasena (NA.5) applies the term abhrānta—and Dharmakīrti was the first to use it in his definition of pratyakṣa, thus improving upon Dinnāga's definition?—to both pratyakṣa and anumāna; (2) Siddhasena (NA.118) 'extends the distinction of svārtha and parārtha, which properly applies to anumāna only, to pratyakṣa also, ibidem 12 f. Apparently, he thought to improve on Dharmakīrti by a wholesome generalisation of nice distinctions!' (JACOBI (1926: iii, n. 1)). VAIDYA (1928: xviii-xx) elaborates upon JACOBI's laconic remarks. (3) He further brings up one more important point:

"...verses 6 and 7 above of Nyāyāvatāra unmistakably presuppose Dharmakīrti and the later phase of the Yogācāra school, as, without them, it is difficult for us to explain why Siddhasena Divākara is required to these views and emphatically declare:

सकलप्रतिभासस्य भ्रान्तत्वासिद्धित: स्फुटम्। प्रमाग्गं स्वान्यनिश्चायि द्वयसिद्धौ प्रसिध्यति॥७॥' (p. xx). On my part, I would only add that also NA.31 (pramātā svânya-nirbhāsī) must have been inspired by similar thoughts as NA.7.

The first argument is sound. Admittedly, the idea of abhrāntatva of perception was latent in pre-Dharmakīrti's literature⁹, but Dharmakīrti was the first to use the term. ¹⁰ If we were to take this latency of abhrāntatva as a serious counter-

10 An interpretation of non-erroneousness (abhrāntatva) is offered by Dharmottara in NBŢ.3.2: abhrāntam artha-kriyā-kṣame vastu-rūpe 'viparyastam ucyate. artha-kriyā-kṣamam ca vastu-rūpam sanniveśôpādhi-varnātmakam. tatra yan na bhrāmyati tad abhrāntam. Thus, there are two pivotal aspects of abhrāntatva, the lack of contrariety (aviparyastatva) and its reference to a thing capable of efficient action (artha-kriyā-kṣama-vastu). The first element, viz. the lack of contrariety, or correspondence to facts, may be taken to have been preconceived in the idea of avyabhicāritva in the non-Buddhist literature as early as NS.1.1.4 (indriyārtha-sannikarṣôtpannam jñānam avyapadeśyam avyabhicāri vyavasāyātmakam pratyakṣam) and NBh. ad loc. (yad atasmin tad iti tad vyabhicāri, yat tu tasmin tad iti tad avyabhicāri pratyakṣam iti). This tendency can be also observed in Jaina sources, e.g. in TBh.1.32 (p. 30.6, p. 31.1-2): jñāna-viparyayo 'jñānam iti ... mithyā-darśana-parigrahād viparīta-grāhakatvam eteṣām (= viparyayānām). tasmād ajñānāni bhavanti. See also PVin.I(1).4 (p. 40, n. 1).

However, the second element artha-kriyā-samartha, the capability to execute efficient action, is Dharmakīrti's innovation, see PV.1.3: pramāṇam avisamvādi jñānam artha-kriyā-sthitiḥ / avisamvādanam śābde 'py abhiprāya-nivedanāt //, as well as PV.2.3: artha-kriyā-samartham yat tad atra paramārtha-sat / anyat samvṛti-sat proktam te sva-sāmānya-lakṣaṇe //. Cf. also HATTORI (1968: 14): 'The concept of "artha-kriyā" is

³ E.g. SUKHLAL (1945/a) and SUKHLAL (1945/b), H. R. Kāpadīā (AJP., 'Introduction', Vol. II, pp. 98 ff.), KRAUSE (1948), DAVE (1962), SUKHLAL-DOSHI (1928), WILLIAMS (1963: 19), MATILAL (1985: 241).

⁴ E.g. Malvania (NASV., 'Introduction', pp. 141 f.) and QVARNSTRÖM (1999: 178).

⁵ E.g. JACOBI (1926), VAIDYA (1928), MUKTHAR (1948), V.P. Johrapurkar ('Introduction' to VTP., pp. 41 ff.).

⁶ UPADHYE (1971: xxv).

⁷ PS.1.C,k3c-d: pratyakṣam kalpanâpoḍham nāma-jāty-ādy-asamyuktam, and NB.1.4: tatra pratyakṣam kalpanâpoḍham abhrāntam, respectively.

⁸ Not NA.12, as VAIDYA (1928: xviii, line 16) has it.

⁹ The term bhrānta (bhrānti) itself is attested in the pre-Dharmakīrtian literature, for instance in MAVBh.1.4; SacAcBh.(2).2 and in several places of MSA, and Comm. thereon (11.13a, 11.15, 11.17, 11.24-26, Comm. ad 10.2 and ad 11.27). In all such passages, however, the term bhrānti does not occur in the context of pramāna, still less of valid perception (pratyaksa), in the first place. The term refers either to a general error based on the perceiving of subject-object duality in the world (dvaya-bhrānti), and is synonymous to māyā (in MSA.), or to the nature of the cognised object (MAVBh.1.4). The latter rests on a rather subtle difference: erroneous is not the cognition as such (the emphasis on the inner, cognitive aspect, viz. erroneous correspondence of an act of cognition), but the way an object is constituted in the cognition (the emphasis on the 'outer', 'objective' side). In none of these texts where we come across the term bhrānti is the idea of cognitively valid procedures (pramāna) discussed; at the most, it points to an antithesis of a general, soteriologically relevant outlook of a person, viz. citta-bhrānti / bhrāntam cittam / ksipta-cittam (SacAcBh.(2),2). This is confirmed by the application of the past passive participle to people MSA.11.18 (loko hy abhrāntah), as loci of bhrānta-citta. To sum up, none of the occurrences of the term (a)bhrānta in Yogācāra works seems to have been an inspiration for Siddhasena.

argument—which seems totally unconvincing to me—it would imply that Siddhasena chose the term abhrānta intuitively and applied it indiscriminately to both pratyakṣa and anumāna, as if he had adumbrated that Dharmakīrti would once qualify perception as a non-erroneous cognition and inference as erroneous. Coincidentally, his way of expression would tally with the actual term used by Dharmakīrti, who would follow him!

Whereas I completely agree with JACOBI-VAIDYA's first argument, their second argument is not entirely convincing to me. Indeed, we cannot understand the idea of svârtha-vākya and parârtha-vākya (NA.10) as well as svârtha-pratyakşa and parârtha-pratyakşa (NA.11) without Dinnāga's and Dharmakīrti's well-known division of svârthânumāna and parârthânumāna. It should suffice to remind the reader of NB.2.1-2: /1/ anumānam dvividhā. /2/ svârtham parârtham ca. and of NB.3.1-2: /1/ tri-rūpa-lingâkhyānam parârthânumānam. /2/ kāraņe kāryôpacārāt.

There can be no doubt, in my opinion, that the idea of $v\bar{a}kyasya$ parârthatvam necessarily presuposses the idea of $v\bar{a}kyasya$ svârthatvam, and that both these concepts—expressed in NA.10 ff.: parârtham mānam ākhyātam vākyam—could only have been developed in the context of svartha-o and pararthanumana.

However, the idea of svârtha-pratyakṣa and svârthânumāna / parârthânumāna—central for JACOBI-VAIDYA's reasoning—which is a prerequisite for Siddhasena to establish the thesis of parârtha-pratyakṣa, predates Dharmakīrti and is found also in the saṅgraha-śloka (iti śāstrârtha-saṅgrahaḥ) of Nyāya-praveśa of Dinnāga's disciple, Śaṅkarasvāmin¹¹.

unfamiliar to Dignāga, but it is an important criterion for the distinguishing of "svalakṣaṇa" from "sāmānya-lakṣaṇa" in Dharmakīrti's system of thought.', HATTORI (1968: 79 § 1.14) and FRANCO (1987: 445 n. 203), esp.: 'the concept of arthakriyā does not appear anywhere in Dignāga's writings.'

On the other hand, Dharmakīrti's definition does go back to the usage of the term bhrānta in the Yogācāra school; his novelty was to mould it to the demands of his pramāna theory. We should remember about his idea that anumāna is bhrānta (cf. PVin.II(1).2.6-7, p. 24.6-7: de ma yin la der hdzin phyir || hkhrul kyan hbrel phyir tshad ma ñid || = atasmims tad-graho bhrāntir api sambandhatah pramā //), which is a proper point of reference here, not the nature of citta / vijñāna.

11 sādhanam dūṣaṇam caiva sâbhāsam para-samvide / pratyakṣam anumānam ca sâbhāsam tv ātma-samvide // . As for a possible objection that the verse might be later, at least the commentator Haribhadra takes it to be a genuine part of the original work (NP.(1). p. 9.12 ff.): ...ity ādāv eva ślokah, etc.

Certainly it is not Śańkárasvāmin who developed the concept of svârtha-° and parârthânumāna. It was probably fathomed by Vasubandhu¹², but terminologically conceived and worked out by Dinnāga¹³.

There are, however, two other traits to be noticed in the aphorisms NA.10-11 that point, in my opinion, to Dharmakīrti as their source. The first of them is the idea of metaphorical transference (upacāra) used in a very similar context. Siddhasena speaks of the term 'inference for others' (parârtham mānam)—which denotes, to be precise, the inferential cognition arisen in another person as a result of an argumentative procedure and/or debate—which is applied through metaphorical transference (upacāra) to a 'syllogistic' sentence (vākyam), that is, as a matter of fact, merely a cause of such a cognition in another person. We come across the same idea in NB.3.1-2, and even the wording is to a certain extent similar (one should here take into account stylistic differences necessitated by the succint sūtra style and versified kārikās). Below, both passages in question are given for the sake of convenience, relevant expressions being underlined: 14

/NA.10/ sva-niścayavad anyeṣām niścayôtpādanam budhaiḥ / parārtham māṇam ākhyātam vākyam tad-upacāratah //

NB.3.1-2: tri-rūpa-lingākhyānam parārthânumānam. kāraņe kāryôpacārāt.

Dharmottara's gloss confirms the interpretation: $k\bar{a}rana = vacana = v\bar{a}kya$; $k\bar{a}rya = [parartha]$ anumāna = $parartha-m\bar{a}na$. Siddharsi, whose comments are in a similar spirit, even quotes a verse, that establishes the relation between speech $(k\bar{a}rana)$ and resulting cognition $(k\bar{a}rya)^{16}$. Another striking feature is that the

The verse is so far untraced, but it refers most probably to another verse by Dharmakīrti, and—at any rate—to an idea expressed in PV.1.286.

¹² Cf. Frauwallner (1933: 476–477 [297–298]) and Hattori (1968: 12, n. 60).

¹³ E.g.: PS.2.1ab: anumānam dvividhā svârtham tri-rūpāl lingato parārthânumānam tu sva-dṛṣṭārtha-prakāsanam; also PS.3.1ab, and PSV.2, K 109a.2-3 = V 27a.5 (svârthânumāna): tshul gsum paḥi rtags las rjes su dpag paḥi don (V: rjes su dpag par bya baḥi don) mthon ba gan yin pa de ni ran gi don gyi rjes su dpag paḥo. Cf. RANDLE (1926: 28-9), HATTORI (1968: 78, n. I.11) and Steinkellner's note 1, p. 21 in PVin.II(2).

¹⁴ In my analysis throughout I shall use, for the sake of brevity, underlining to mark corresponding phrases in NA. and works of Dharmakirti or of other authors.

¹⁵ NBŢ.3.2, p. 150.12–151.1: tasmin kāraņe vacane kāryasyânumānasyôpacāraḥ samāropaḥ kriyate. tataḥ samāropāt kāraṇam vacanam anumāna-sabden ôcyate. aupacārikam vacanam anumānam, na mukhyam ity-arthaḥ.

vikalpa-yonayaḥ śabdā vikalpāḥ śabda-yonayaḥ /
kārya-kāraṇatā teṣāṁ nârthaṁ śabdāḥ spṛśanty api //

reference to the idea of the metaphorical transference (upacāra) occurs in both works (NA. and NB.) precisely at the moment of introducing the discussion of parārtha-anumāna and that this is the only occurrence of this idea in both works. Neither the term nor the idea as such is encountered at any other point.

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Further, VAIDYA's third point is rather weak, as well. He says: 'These verses [NA.6-7—P.B.] contain the favourite view of the Yogācāra School on the subject and the object (grāhya and grāhaka), which both they declare illusory. This view is dependent on the definition of pratyakṣa, and though its origin must be sought in Dinnāga's works [emphasis—P.B.], the scholars who brought the idea to perfection are Dharmapāla and his pupil Dharmakīrti.' (p. xix). Indeed, we find the idea referred to by VAIDYA in Dinnāga's works, e.g. in his PS.1.10¹⁷ (cf. n. 63):

Vasudhararakşita/Sen-rgyal 15b.4: Kanakavarman/Dad-paḥi śes-rab 96a.4-5:

gan tshe snan ba de gṣal bya | tshad ma dan deḥi ḥbras bu ni | ḥdsin rnam rig pa de yi phyir | de gsum tha dad du ma byas | gan ltar snan ba de gṣal bya | tshad ma dan deḥi ḥbras bu ni | ḥdsin rnam rig paḥo de yi phyir | de gsum tha dad du ma byas ||

However, we do not find anything in NA.7¹⁸ that would allude to either Dinnāga's specific theory of triple division of $vij\bar{n}\bar{a}na$ or to Dharmakīrti's ideas¹⁹. What we do find instead is the realist's position that, at least: (1) acts of cognition are real, (2) acts of cognition happen to be true and accurate, (3) acts of cognition are self-validatory, (4) acts of cognition are accurate representations of external world, (5) the external world is real.

To have Dinnāga's or Dharmakīrti's views criticised here we would need an explicit element of sva-samvitti (sva-samvedana) or phala. There are three possible expressions in NA.7 that might refer to sva-samvitti (and none to refer to phala): (A) sphuṭam, (B) svânya-niścāyi, (C) dvaya-siddhau. (Ad A) The first of the list is highly improbable, for it never—to my knowledge—is used in Buddhist sources to refer to the idea of self-revelatory character of cognition (sva-samvitti). It is generally used to describe either the veracious, direct, non-inferrential or the

indubitable, etc., character of acts of cognition. It is explained by Siddharsi accordingly by suniscitatayā. (Ad B) The second of these expressions (as a similar one in NA.31: svânya-nirbhāsī) mentions in fact only two aspects: the cognition (sva) and its counterpart—the object (anya). If sva were to mean sva-samvitti, the primary act of cognition would not be mentioned; if anya were taken to be svasamvitti, the bahyartha, so fundamental for the realist, would not be mentioned. The expression is explained in NAV. as sva-para-prakāśakam, which does not bring anything new to our analysis. However, it is coupled in the NAV, with the third expression. (Ad C) The third expression refers to duality, in the first place, andlike in the preceding case—it is highly problematic to take it to allude to Dinnaga's theory of triple division of vijñāna. However, it is Siddharşi's gloss on dvayasiddhau: svarūpārtha-lakṣaṇa-yugma-niṣpattau that could be implicative of svasamvitti: in it, svarūpa might refer to the self-revelatory character of cognition. It is especially suggestive in view of his statement in NAV.1 quoted in n. 20. But even then, the third aspect of an act of cognition (apart from the act as such, an object). its self-revelatory character, is not explicitly mentioned here. As a matter of fact, Siddharsi, so well conversant with Buddhist ideas, would not have wasted the availing opportunity to indicate the idea of sva-samvitti and to utilise it²⁰, if he had noticed any allusion to the Buddhist theories of triple or fourfold division of vijñāna in the aphorism of Siddhasena. In other words, there is nothing in Siddharşi's gloss that might suggest that Siddharsi had seen any point of convergence between the ideas expressed in NA.7 and certain concepts ascribable to Dinnaga, as VAIDYA would like it. To expell our doubts, he concludes, as a matter of fact, with anyatha prameyâbhāve pramānâbhāvāt, to show that no third element is implied.

In my opinion, NA.7 can be safely taken to disprove the doctrine of illusory character of worldly appearance propounded by the Buddhist idealist (*Vijñāna-vādin*), whose ideas directly influenced Dinnāga and Dharmakīrti²¹. The aphorism is

¹⁷ See HATTORI (1968: 107, n. 1.67):

yad-ābhāsam prameyam tat pramāṇa-phalate punaḥ / grāhakâkāra-samvittī trayam nâtaḥ pṛthak-kṛtam //

sakala-pratibhāsasya bhrāntatvāsiddhitah sphuṭam / pramāṇam svânya-niścāyi dvaya-siddhau prasidhyati //

¹⁹ On the triple and fourfold division of *vijñāna* in the Yogācāra school see HATTORI (1968: 107, n. 1.67).

²⁰ As he does in several places, for instance in NAV.1 (the section beginning with: ayam atrâbhiprāyaḥ: sva-samvedanam prati nikhila-jñānānām eka-rūpatayā sākṣāt-karaṇa-caturatvān nâsty eva bhedaḥ...), NAV.29 (the section beginning with: tathôrarī-kṛta-yogâcāra-matam api balād anekânta-prakāśa-rajjur āveṣṭayaty, ekasyâpi jñānasyâneka-vedya-vedakâkāratayā prathanôpagateḥ..., and the section beginning with: atha jñāna-vādy advaita-prakāśam alakṣitam abhyupetya tena bāhuvidhyam dadhāno bodho bādhyamānatvād bhrānta ity abhidadhyāt, tad ayuktam ...), NAV.31, etc.

²¹ Cf. Hattori (1968: 106, n. 1.65).

clearly evocative of such ideas as those expressed, e.g. in MAV.1.1,3²², Trimś.1, 29²³ or Vimś.1ab²⁴, 16²⁵. As Siddharşi expresses himself, if there is nothing to be cognised, there can be no cognition. Therefore, to establish the thesis of the existence of the external world is essential for the realist. Similarly, mutatis mutandis, it is crucial for the Buddhist idealist to deny the existence of external object. Furthermore, NA.7 fits quite well into the line of critics of the so-called 'Dreaming Argument'²⁶, that was commonly ascribed to the Buddhist and refuted, for instance, by Kumārila (MŚV.4.(Nirālambana-vāda).23, p. 159.7-8), Uddyotakara (NV. on NBh.4.2.33), Śankara (BŚŚBh.2.2.5.29, p. 476.2-3) and by Siddharsigani (NAV.29, the Śūnya-vāda section).

Therefore, NA.7 is not a very useful indication to establish the date of the *Nyāyâvatāra*. However, there is a number of other conspicuous traits, that are instrumental in establishing the time of composition of the treatise quite convincingly as posterior to Dharmakīrti. To achieve this, I shall analyse several aphorisms of NA. step by step in order to show Siddhasena's indebtedness to Dharmakīrti (especially to NB.) in respect not only of certain 'loan' ideas but also, partially, of the dialectical structure of the text. Some of the following points are not entirely convincing, when taken singly. Their high number, on the other hand, could not have been a matter of mere coincidence.

[1] The opening line of NA.0 (pramāṇa-vyutpādanârtham idam ārabhyate) closely resembles the formulations of HB. p. 1°.5-6: parokṣârtha-pratipatter anumānâśrayatvāt tat-vyutpādanârtham sankṣepata idam ārabhyate.

[2] Practically, the very first ideas expressed in the opening lines of NA. and NB. are very similar and have similar wording:

NA.1: pramānam [...] pratyakṣam ca parokṣam ca dvidhā.

NB.1.1.2-3: dvividham samyag-jñānam, pratyakṣam anumānam ca.

The differences are that (1) Siddhasena does not have samyag-jnānam (this expression is completely absent from NA.), and (2) he has parokṣa instead of anumāna. The second difference is dictated by the Jaina demand to incorporate sābda / āgama (testimony, verbal cognition) in the pramānas (as a quasi-separate category, one of the two—alongside anumāna—primary sub-divisions of parokṣa). However, Siddhasena marks an important, widely known shift in Jaina epistemology, to interpret the directness of pratyakṣa in terms of sensory organs (akṣa = indriya), not—as it was customary—in terms of the cognitive subject (akṣa = jīva / ātman). The commentators are quite explicit about the interpretational shift, which diverts from the $\bar{A}gamic$ tradition advocated, e.g. by Akalanka among many others.

The question is what prompted Siddhasena to introduce this shift? Obviously, these were the demands of the general philosophic discourse in India to be up-to-date with and understood by such schools as Nyāya or Sāmkhya. But I am deeply convinced that what was responsible for that shift to take the senses as the criterion of directness of pratyakṣa was, to a larger degree, Dharmakīrti's inspiration and his works (predominantly the Nyāya-bindu) as a groundwork for the Nyāyâvatāra. For what other reason would Siddhasena speak of the two-fold division of valid cognition and justify it by referring to Dharmakīrtian ideas? And thereby we come to another element of NA.1 that resembles Dharmakīrti's formulations.

According to Siddhasena, the factor responsible for the division of cognitive acts into pratyakṣa and parokṣa is not the character of the 'cognising organ' (akṣa), either the sense organs (indriya) or the cognitive subject (jīva, ātman) as such. In his opinion, what is crucial in the categorisation of pramāṇas is the character of the object of cognition that determines the way the object of cognition is determined, or cognised. Clearly, in this revolutionary rearrangement he goes against the whole Jaina tradition. The expression he uses: meya-viniścayāt (NA.1d), can hardly be explicated without Dharmakīrti's formulations: tasya viṣayah svalakṣaṇam (NB.1.1.12), so 'numāṇasya viṣayah (NB.1.1.17) and māṇam dvividham viṣaya-

²² abhūta-parikalpo 'sti dvayam tatra na vidyate / śūnyatā vidyate tv atra tasyām api sa vidyate // artha-sattvâtma-vijñāpti-pratibhāsam prajāyate / vijñānam nâsti câsyârthas tad-abhāvāt tad apy sat //

²³ ātma-dharmôpacāro hi vividho yaḥ pravartate / vijñāna-parināme 'sau parināmah sa trividhā // acitto 'nupalambho 'sau jñānam lokôttaram ca tat / āśrayasya parāvṛttir dvidhā dauṣthulya-hānitaḥ //

²⁴ vijñāpti-mātram evaitad asad-arthâvabhāsanāt /

²⁵ pratyakṣa-buddhiḥ svapnâdau yathā sā ca yadā tadā / na so 'rtho dṛśyate tasya pratyakṣatvaṁ kathaṁ matam // (to be coupled with NA.6-7).

²⁶ In a typical formulation: 'The sensation in the waking state is erroneous, because it is a cognition, like the sensation in a dream' (jāgrat-samvedanam bhrāntam, pratyayatvāt, syapna-samvedanayat). See TABER (1994).

²⁷ See, e.g. NAV.1: pratyakşam cêty-ādi; tatra siddhânta-prasiddha-pāramārthika-pratyakşâpekşayâkşa-sabdo jīva-paryāyatayā prasiddhah. iha tu vyāvahārika-pratyakşa-prastāvād akşa-dhvanir indriya-vacano grhyate. tatas câkşam pratigatam pratyakşam. yad indriyam āśrityôjjihīte 'rtha-sākṣāt-kāri jñānam tat pratyakṣam ity arthah. ... akṣebhyah parato vartata iti parokṣam. akṣa-vyāpāra-nirapekṣam mano-vyāpārenâsākṣād-artha-paricchedakam yaj jñānam tat parokṣam iti bhāvah.

dvaividhyāt (PV.2.1ab)²⁸. Even Siddharşi²⁹ confirms that what is pivotal for the distinction is, in the first place, the character of extrinsic data apprehended by the cognitive subject, that determines the way of apprehension, irrespective of whether the 'cognising organ' are the senses or the soul. It is only in NA.4d that Siddhasena emphasises the way of cognising, or '[the manner of] grasping [an object]', for the first time: grahanêkṣayā. But even then, the tradition in the person of the commentator Siddharṣi takes the locution to refer to the existence and the nature of the cognoscible (see his detailed discussion in NAV.4 apropos of grahanêkṣayā).

Truly, a formulation similar to NA.1 is found also in PS.(1).1.2ab³⁰, so Dharmakīrti is not the only potential source. However, if we compare what Dinnāga has further to say on the two-fold division of pramāṇa, we discover that he does not mention the reason for the division explicitly, as Dharmakīrti and Siddhasena do, but he merely points to the parallelism of the two-fold prameya³¹. Clearly, one can easily understand the statement lakṣaṇa-dvayam prameyam to be a reason adduced by the author for pratyakṣam anumānam ca pramāṇe ('there are two cognitive criteria: perception and inference, [because] the cognoscible has two characteristics'), as the commentator himself does³². However, neither the word 'because' (yasmāt / °-tvāt) nor any direct explanation why pramāṇa is twofold is mentioned by Dinnāga explicitly, as it is by Dharmakīrti in PV.2.1bc (viṣaya-dvaividhyāt śakty-aśaktitaḥ / artha-kriyāyām ...). Moreover, Dinnāga's elucidation of the two-fold character of pramāṇa (lakṣaṇa-dvayam prameyam) differs

completely in character from Siddhasena's explanation (meya-viniścayāt) and Dharmakīrti's (viṣaya-dvaividhyāt śakty-aśaktitah artha-kriyāyām ...), insofar as it is 'static' or 'taxonomic', viz. plainly juxtaposes two cases of double division (pramāṇa—prameya), whereas Siddhasena and Dharmakīrti offer 'intentional', i.e. actively directed to an object of cognition either by way of determining it (viniścaya, cognitive activity) or by any sort of efficient action (artha-kriyā).

[3] Apart from the noticeable similarity in wording between NA.1 and NB.1.1.2-3, there is another striking correspondence to be observed in the ideas expressed by Dharmakīrti and Siddhasena. Siddharşi introduces NA.1 in the following way: tatra tāval laksana-samkhyā-vipratipattī nirācikīrsur āha. There is no doubt that Siddharşi regarded NA.1 to aim at—beside enumerating subdivisions of pramāna (pratyakṣam ca parokṣam ca dvidhā ...)—formulating its definition (pramānam sva-parâbhāsi jñānam bādha-vivarjitam). And, further, there can hardly be any doubt that a descriptive definition of pramāṇa is precisely what Siddhasena in NA.1ab does. In the aphorism, he does not only group all cognitively valid procedures under respective categories of 'direct' and 'indirect', which is a case of a typological definition that demarcates a notion by mentioning specimens to which the definition is applicable (ὁ διὰ τῶν γενῶν ὁρισμὸς), but he also attempts a real definition that describes the character and essential aspects or intrinsic characteristics of a thing (ὁ λέγων ἐξ ὧν ἔστιν ἐνυπαρχόντων [ὁρισμὸς]). 33 Clearly, these two definitions represent two diverse approaches and the latter is intellectually more sublime. Whereas we quite frequently find typological definitions of pramāna (viz. statements of its divisions) in Jaina literature, we do not, as a matter of fact, come across any attempt at a descriptive definition of pramāna of the second type in any works, both Jaina and non-Jaina, prior NA. Thus, the formulation of a descriptive definition of cognitive criterion seems definitely to be an advancement. And it would perhaps be surprising to find such an innovation in a work of generally secondary character that repeatedly borrows from other works (it relies, for the most part, on the Buddhist legacy and has very little new ideas, genuinely of its own, to offer), if NA. had no predecessor. However, it is Dharmakīrti who must have inspired Siddhasena's descriptive definition. The opening verse (if we skip the first two introductory verses of obeisant nature) of the Pramāna-siddhi chapter, i.e. PV.1.3 and PV.1.7cd present such a descriptive definition of pramāņa that specifies its character and individual features. This

²⁸ Cf. also PV.2.63 (anumāna-vicāraḥ): na pratyakṣa-parokṣābhyām meyasyânyasya sambhavah / tasmāt prameya-dvitvena pramāṇa-dvitvam iṣyate //

²⁹NAV.1 ad loc. (on meya-viniścayād): bahir-artham punar apekṣya kaścic cakṣurâdi-sāmagrī-bala-labdha-sattākaḥ svâvayava-vyāpinam kālântara-sañcariṣṇum sthagita-kṣaṇa-vivartam alakṣita-paramāṇu-pārimāṇḍalyam sannihitam viśada-nirbhāsam sāmānyam ākāram sākṣāt-kurvāṇaḥ prakāśaḥ prathate, tatra pratyakṣa-vyavahāraḥ pravartate. yaḥ punar linga-śabdâdi-dvāreṇa niyatâniyata-sāmānyâkārâvalokī pariṣphuṭatā-rahitaḥ khalv ātmano 'rtha-grahaṇa-pariṇāmaḥ samullasati sa parokṣatām svī-karoti.

³⁰ pratyakşam anumānam ca pramāne (Vasudhararakṣita/Sen-rgyal 13b.6: mnon sum dan ni rjes su dpag tshad ma; Kanakavarman/Dad-paḥi ses-rab 94a.4: mnon sum dan ni rjes su dpag tshad ma dag ni); here, the difference is the absence of the explicit (sc. with a numeral, not with the dual form °-e / dag) mention of 'twofold' (dvividham / dvidhā / rnam pa gñis).

³¹ PS.(1).1.2bc: lakṣaṇa-dvayam / prameyam ... (Vasudhararakṣita/Sen-rgyal 13b.6 = Kanakavarman/Dad-paḥi śes-rab 94a.5: mtshan ñid gñis gṣal bya).

³² yasmāt = Vasudhararakṣita/Sen-rgyal: ...phyir se na; Kanakavarman/Dad-paḥi śes-rab; ... gan gi phyir.

³³ Cf. Aristotelian twofold division in *Met.*998b (p. 47.12–14): ἔτερος δ' ἔδται ὁ διὰ τῶν γενῶν ὁρισμὸς καὶ ὁ λέγων ἐξ ὧν ἔστιν ἐνυπαρχόντων.

section of PV. is traditionally³⁴ assumed to offer the first comprehensive definition of pramāna. Clearly, for both Manorathanandin and Siddharsi the passages of NA.1ab and PV.1.3/7cd respectively are cases of a pramāna-lakṣaṇa. Occasionally³⁵, a doubt is raised whether Dharmakīrti's design was indeed a descriptive definition and that actually it was the subsequent Buddhist tradition of commentators where the idea of a comprehensive descriptive definition developed. Irrespective of whether one assumes that the formulation of PV.1.3 was a genuine descriptive definition or that an idea of such a definition first originated with post-Dharmakīrtian commentators, both sides agree that such a descriptive definition did not exist before Dharmakīrti (ergo it is altogether absent from Dinnāga, Śankarasvāmin, etc.). Accordingly, since NA. appears to present such a definition of a descriptive character, it must have been composed after Dharmakīrti and PV.³⁶

[4] Late Buddhist sources allegedly refer to NA.2.³⁷ Surprisingly, NA.2, being a statement of $p\bar{u}rva$ -pakşa, is the least suitable verse of the whole $Dv\bar{a}tri\dot{m}\dot{s}ik\bar{a}$ to serve as an object of anybody's critique. Thus, anyone referring to the verse with the purpose to refute it would have to be highly incompetent and incapable of noticing

that the very verse is refuted by Siddhasena himself in NA.3! Therefore it could hardly be an 'object of Dharmakīrti's critique.' Furthermore, any reference to allegedly such a state of affairs would prove the source of such an information to be a highly unreliable one. Consequently, either Śākyabuddhi cannot have referred to NA.2 or his acquaintance with Jaina tradition would be liable to doubt.

As a matter of fact, NA.2 may plausibly be taken as a prima facie objection ('no nurpose is known for stating the definition of cognitive criterion') against formulating a comprehensive definition of pramana of descriptive character. inasmuch as 'cognitive criteria (mind the plural!-P.B.) are well-known and everyday practice is accomplished by them.' Siddharsi takes 'the definition of cognitive criterion' to be '[a statement] consisting in mentioning specific properties of cognitive criterion that are capable of distinguishing [it from that which has] another form, '38 which is a very accurate explanation of a descriptive definition. Interestingly enough, the reason adduced why such a definition is not necessary in case of pramāna is prasiddhāni pramānāni, where the plural is expressly used. This would point to the more archaic kind of definition based on classification, that would define the notion of pramana merely by specifying the pramana 'inventory'. Thereby NA.2 supports our supposition that what Siddhasena really does is a descriptive definition of pramāna. Accordingly, NA.2 would rather be a record of the historical change and certain resistance against a new approach towards defining pramana. This would also explain the role of the verse, that might seem unnecessary at first glance, in such a succinct work as NA. is.

[5] The $p\bar{a}da$ c $(tad-vy\bar{a}moha-nivrttih)$ of NA.3³⁹—which is a rejoinder to the doubt raised in NA.2 whether it is 'purposeful to state the definition of cognitive criterion' (viz. whether the treatise, $s\bar{a}stra = NA$., has a purpose), since 'cognitive criteria are well-known and everyday practice is accomplished by them'—recalls Dharmakīrti's statement found in PV.1.7:

prāmāṇyam vyavahāreṇa śaṣṭṛam moha-nivartanam / ajñātârtha-prakāśo vā svarūpâdhigateḥ param //

A statement expressing a similar idea seems to be absent from PS.

[6] Corresponding to the sequence of topics discussed in NB. (truly, it is a typical sequence not restricted to NB.), as a next step, Siddhasena in NA.5 makes his

³⁴ See: FRANCO (1997: 59-61), esp.: 'Therefore, we can safely conclude that the definition of pramāṇa in general, unlike the definition of each pramāṇa in particular, was not undertaken by any Indian philosopher before Dharmakīrti's time. Consequently, there is no reason why one should expect Dharmakīrti to do so. During the time that separates Dharmakīrti from his commentators, some change in the philosophical requirements must have occurred that produced the expectation of a general definition of pramāṇas.' [p. 60]. Cf. also Steinkellner-Krasser (1989: 3-5). Cf., e.g. PVV.1.3 (1: 2.17 ff.; 3: 3.17 ff.): ayam ācāryo brhad-ācāryīya-pramāṇa-samuccaya-śāstre vārttikam cikīrṣuḥ svataḥ-kṛta-bhagavan-namaskāraḥ tac-chāstr ârambha-samaye tadācārya-kṛta-bhagavan-namaskāra-ślokam vyākhyātu-kāmaḥ prathamam pramāṇa-sāmānya-lakṣaṇam āha ... and PVV.1.7-8 (1: 4.36 ff.; 3: 8.6 ff.): tad evam avisamvādanam pramāṇa-lakṣaṇam uktam. idānīm anyad āha ...

³⁵ See: FRANCO (1997: 54-62), e.g.: '...Dharmakirti did not attempt a general definition of the *pramāṇas*, but only wanted to prove that the Buddha is a *pramāṇa*...' [p. 61].

³⁶ I am indebted to Claus Oetke for drawing my attention to the above issue of PV.1.3-7 and its relevance to the problem of dating of NA.

³⁷ QVARNSTRÖM (1999: 178): 'In the eighth-century commentary on Dharmakīrti's *Pramāṇavārttika* (II.5), Śākyabuddhi (or Śākyamati) quotes the second verse of *Nyāyāvatāra* and claims that this verse is the object of Dharmakīrti's critique', and refers to p. 163, n. 38 of Chr. LINDTNER's 'Marginalia to Dharmakīrti's Pramāṇaviniścaya.' *Wiener Zeitschrift fūr die Kunde Sūd- und Ostasiens* 28 (1984) 149–175.

³⁸ NAV.2 ad loc.: pramāṇa-lakṣaṇasyôktau para-rūpa-vyāvartana-kṣamâsādhāraṇa-pramāṇa-dharma-kathana-rūpāyām.

prasiddhānām pramāṇānām lakṣaṇôktau prayojanam / tad-vyāmoha-nivrttih syād yyāmūdha-manasām iha //

polemical statement and declares also inference to be 'non-erroneous because it is a cognitive criterion, just like perception.' (... anumānam, tad abhrāntam pramānatvāt samakṣavat ...). The use of the term abhrānta as well as the polemical character directly points to NB.(1).1.4: tatra pratyakṣam kalpanāpodham abhrāntam. This issue, that was taken up by JACOBI and VAIDVA, has been already discussed above p. 18 ff. Dharmakīrti expressed such ideas that could have served both as a target and inspiration for Siddhasena also in PV.2.45-46 (anumānavicārah)⁴⁰.

But this is not the only Dharmakīrtian trace to be found in NA.5. Inference is defined by Siddhasena to 'determine the sādhya on account of linga; linga (the inferential sign) is, in its turn, inseparably connected with the sādhya; the determining factor is here the relation of avinā-bhāva: NA.5ac: sādhyavinā-bhuno lingāt sādhya-niścāyakam smṛtam / anumānam. This definition follows, in most—if not all—details, the ideas expressed by Dharmakīrti in PV.1.287:

anumānāśrayo lingam avinā-bhāva-lakṣaṇam / vyāpti-pradarśanād dhetoh sādhyenôktañ ca tat sphutam //

This striking correspondence does not only concern central elements in inference and their character as well as their mutual connection, but even the choice of vocabulary. The inseparable connection with the probandum as the defining characteristic of the probans reoccurs in NA.13: sādhyāvinā-bhuvo hetor.⁴¹

[7] NA.8 may have been influenced by Dinnāga both in terms of vocabulary and notions. Its pāda d (mānam śābdam prakārtitam) reminds of PS.(2).5.1 (esp. śābda, sgra las byun pa):

na <u>pramānâ</u>ntaram <u>śābdam</u> anumānāt tathā hi tat / kṛtakatvâdivat svârtham anyâpohena bhāṣate // ⁴²

[8] In NA.13 Siddhasena takes a closer look at parârthânumāna and the conditions of its validity: <u>sādhyâvinā-bhuvo</u> <u>hetor</u> vaco yat <u>pratipādakam</u> / <u>parârtham anumānam tat pakṣâdi-vacanâtmakam</u> // The phrasing is reminiscent of

NB.3.1: <u>tri-rūpa-lingākhyānam</u> <u>parārthānumānam</u>. Clearly, the element of <u>tri-rūpa</u>—a criterion of validity of <u>anumāna</u> for the Dharmakīrtian tradition—is absent in NA., for this idea was not recognised by the Jainas. Instead, syntactically and semantically in the same position, we have the Jaina criterion of validity, viz. <u>sādhyāvinā-bhuvah</u>. Thus, NA.13 may be taken as Siddhasena's polemical reply to the Buddhist doctrine of <u>trairūpya</u>.

On the other hand, pādas c-d of NA.13 (...anumānam tat pakṣâdi-vacanātmakam) bear close resemblance to (1) NP.(2).2 (= NP.(1), p. 1.4-5): tatra pakṣâdi-vacanāni sādhanam. pakṣa-hetu-dṛṣṭânta-vacanair hi prāśnikānām apratīto 'rthaḥ pratipādyata iti // as well as to (2) the verse of NM.1: *pakṣâdi-vacanānīti sādhanam; tatra hi svayam / sādhyatvenêpsitaḥ pakṣo viruddhârthânirākṛtaḥ //. However, this similarity is not decisive at all, inasmuch as all the quotations merely describe the widely known structure of any 'syllogistic' reasoning, that is composed of respective links, viz. members of 'syllogism'.

[9] In the definition of pakṣa, NA.14ab: sādhyābhyupagamah pakṣaḥ pratyakṣâdy-anirākṛtaḥ /, we come across other formulations that bear obvious similarity especially to NB.(2).3.37: svarūpeṇāva svayam iṣto 'nirākṛtaḥ pakṣa iti (but also to NB.(2).3.49–53). Dharmakīrti's svarūpeṇa stands for sādhyatvena, which is confirmed both by Dharmakīrti himself in the next two sūtras (NB.(2).3.39–40: svarūpeṇêti sādhyatvenēṣṭaḥ. svarūpeṇāvêti sādhyatvenâvēṣṭo na sādhyatvenâpi.) as well as by Dharmottara (NBṬ.(2).3.37 ad loc.: svarūpeṇāvêti sādhyatvenâva.). Dharmottara explains anirākṛtaḥ as pratyakṣâdy-anirākṛtaḥ (NBṬ.(2).3.37 ad loc.: evam-bhūtaḥ san pratyakṣâdy-anirākṛto yo 'rthaḥ sa pakṣa ity ucyate.), and—if we suppose that he expressed original ideas of Dharmakīrti (and I believe he did in this regard)—Siddhasena's formulations express almost the same idea as Dharmakīrti did in NB., barring Dharmakīrti's specific delimiting use of eva as well as svayam.

However, there can hardly be any doubt that the formulations of NA.14ab: <u>sādhyâbhyupagamah</u> <u>pakṣah</u> <u>pratyakṣâdy-anirākṛtaḥ</u>/, go back to PV.4.86 (1: p. 378, 3: p. 390):

<u>sādhyābhyupagamah</u> <u>pakṣa</u>-lakṣaṇam teṣv apakṣatā / <u>nirākṛte⁴³ bādhanataḥ</u> śeṣe 'lakṣaṇa-vṛttitaḥ //

The idea itself goes back to Dinnāga and NM. (*svayam sādhyatvenêpsitah pakso viruddhârthânirākṛtaḥ), as it was pointed out by Manorathanandin in PVV., p. 378.26. Another plausible source for NA.14 might be PS.3.2:

⁴⁰ ayathâbhinivesena dvitīyā bhrāntir işyate / gatis cet para-rūpeņa na ca bhrānteḥ pramānātā // abhiprāyâvisamvādād api bhrānteḥ pramānatā / gatir apy anyathā dṛṣṭā, pakṣas câyam kṛtôttaraḥ //

⁴¹ Cf. also PV.3.31: kārya-kāraṇa-bhāvād vā svabhāvād vā niyāmakāt / avinā-bhāva-niyamo 'darśanān na na darśanāt //, etc.

⁴² sgra las byun pa rjes dpag las | tshad ma gźan min de ltar de | byas sogs pa bźin du ran don la | gźan sel bas ni rjod par byed | The verse is quoted in TSaP. ad TSa.1514 (p. 441.6-7), with a minor alteration (anumānāt tathā hi sah (tat) /).

⁴³ Cf. Manorathanandin's Vṛtti ad loc.: tathā ca teşu śāstrêşṭâdişu pañcasu vyāvartyeşu mādhye nirākṛte pratyākṣâdi-bādhite bādhanato 'pakṣatā viruddhârthā.

svarupeṇaîva nirdeśyaḥ svayam iṣṭo 'nirākṛtaḥ /
pratyakṣârthânumānâpta-prasiddhena svadharmiṇi // 44

Clearly, the word ādi of the phrase pratyakṣâdi of NA.14b might allude to the categories [pratyakṣârtha?], anumāna, āpta, prasiddha enumerated in Dinnāga's anirākṛtah pratyakṣârthânumānâpta-prasiddhena, but it does not necessarily have to, since Siddharṣi (NAV.14 ad loc.: ādi-śabdād anumāna-sva-vacana-lokā gṛhyante) takes ādi to stand for anumāna-sva-vacana-loka. Another predecessor of Dharmakīrti in this regard was Śankarasvāmin⁴⁵.

Out of all these possible sources, NA.14 has most in common with Dharmakīrti in terms of (1) exact wording (sādhyâbhyupagamah pakṣa ...), (2) replacement of Dinnāgan iṣṭa with abhyupagama, (3) affinity in the explicit correlative sādhya (instead of Dinnāgan svarupeṇâva nirdeśya) to abhyupagama / iṣṭa.

[10] The description of hetu and its role in the inference for others (parârthânumāna) in NA.17 is not so conspicuously similar to NB. in phrasing. Nevertheless, semantically both expositions are quite akin to each other. That in NA.17 we still deal with parârthânumāna is clear from the context itself, but also Siddharşi leaves not doubt (NAV.17 ad loc.: parârthânumānasya vacanarūpatvād...). Thus, in both cases we have 'the pronouncement of the logical reason' (hetos ... prayogo, NA.) or 'the announcement of the inferential sign' (liṅgākhyānaṁ, NB.) as the principal element of the inference for others (parârthânumāna) and the idea that there is no difference in 'demonstrative force' between the two formulations of the logical reason:

NA.17: <u>hetos</u> tathôpapattyā vā syāt <u>prayogo</u> 'nyathâpi vā / <u>dyi-vidho</u> 'nyatarenâpi sādhya-siddhir bhaved iti //

NB.3.1,3–7: /1/tri-rūpa-<u>lingâkhyānam</u> parârthânumānam. /3/tad dvi-vidham. /4/ prayoga-bhedāt. /5/sādharmya-vaidharmyavac cêti. /6/n<u>ânayor arthataḥ kaścid bhedaḥ</u>. /7/ anyatra prayoga-bhedāt. The idea expressed by Dharmakirti goes back to his PV.3.16 and PVSV. ad loc.46

[11] In NA.20 Siddhasena maintains that *dṛṣṭânta* is not an essential part of 'syllogistic' reasoning, inasmuch as the relation of invariable concomitance (*vyāpti*) suffices to prove the thesis. This is a continuation of the 'economical' trend in Indian logic—that starts with Vasubandhu and his *Vāda-vidhāna* and *Vāda-vidhā*—to limit the number of necessary 'syllogistic' members, to simplify the reasoning procedures and to make such procedures universally binding, without any need for further empirical justification than the premises themselves:

NA.20: antar-vyāptyáiva <u>sādhyasya siddher bahir-udāhṛtiḥ</u> / vyarthā syāt tad-asadbhāve 'py evam nyāya-vido viduh //

NB.(2).3.121: tri-rūpo hetur uktah. tāvatā cârtha-pratītir iti na pṛthag dṛṣṭânto nāma sādhanâvayavaḥ kaścit. tena nâsya lakṣaṇam pṛthag ucyate gatârthatvāt.

Siddhasena was not so much innovative as it might seem at first glance, inasmuch as it is Dharmakīrti (NB.(2).3.121) who had intuitively foreshadowed such an idea before him, when he had claimed that the example (dṛṣṭānta) is not a separate member of the proof (sādhanâvayava). It is much more natural and less surprising to find the direct continuation of the 'economical' trend, that had started with Vasubandhu, in the Yogâcāra tradition and Dharmakīrti's works, rather than in the Jaina tradition in the person of Siddhasena, where we do not find such an 'economic' tendency before Siddhasena. In my opinion, Siddhasena verbalised what had already been latent in Dharmakīrti's statement, even though Dharmakīrti himself had not been able to do without the example, which he had considered an

⁴⁴ The above Sanskrit reconstruction of PS.3.2 follows FRAUWALLNER (1957/b: 885) and TILLEMANS (1997: 178, n. 2). Tibetan text reads as follows: ran gi no bo kho na^a bstan | bdag 'dod ran gi chos can la | mnon sum don dan rjes dpag dan | yid ches grags pas ma bsal ba'o || [^a TILLEMANS 1997 reads nar.] PS.3.2 must have been in its turn the source for NB.(2).3.37.

⁴⁵ NP.(2).2.1: tatra pakṣaḥ prasiddho dharmī prasiddha-viśeṣaṇa-viśiṣṭatayā svayaṁ sādhyatvenēpsitaḥ. pratyakṣâdy-viruddha iti vākya-śeṣaḥ.

⁴⁶ In PV.3.15 [p. 180] Dharmakīrti first recalls the triple character of hetu defined by Dinnāga in Nyāya-mukha: hetos triṣv api rūpeṣu niścayas tena varnitaḥ / asiddha-viparītārtha-vyabhicāri-vipakṣataḥ //. Then (PV.3.16ab) he states the reason for expressing the concomitance by way of dissimilarity (vaidharmya-vacana): vyabhicāri-vipakṣeṇa vaidharmya-vacanan ca yat /, only to quote Dinnāga in PVSV.(1).3.16ab: yad āha—eṣa tāvan nyāyo yad ubhayam vaktavyam viruddhānaikāntika-pratipakṣeṇa iti. The rule is further explained by Dharmakīrti in PVSV. as follows: sādharmya-vācanam viruddha-pratipakṣeṇa, vaidharmya-vācanam anaikāntika-pratipakṣeṇa. Thereupon, in PV.3.16cd and PVSV. ad loc., he adds that: yady adṛṣti-phalam tac ca yadi tena vipakṣe 'darśanam khyāpyate tad anukte 'pi gamyate //. Cf. also PVSV.(1).3.24-25 [p. 185]: tasmāt svabhāva-pratibandhād eva hetuḥ sādhyam gamayati. sa ca tad-bhāva-lakṣaṇas tad-utpatti-lakṣano vā. sa evâvinā-bhāvo dṛṣṭântābhyām pradarṣyate.

⁴⁷ Cf. Frauwallner (1933) and Frauwallner (1957/a).

integral part of the logical reason (hetu), indispensable to authenticate the general principle by taking recourse to its instantiations (relevant portions underlined): NB.(2).3.122: hetoh sapaksa eva sattvam asapaksāc ca sarvato vyāvartī rūpam uktam abhedena. punar visesena kārya-svabhāvayor ukta-laksanayor janma-tanmātrânubandhau darśanīyāv uktau. tac ca darśayatā—yatra dhūmas tatrâgnir, asaty agnau na kvacid dhūmo yathā mahānasêtarayor, 'yatra krtakatvam' tatrânityatyam, anityatyâbhāvo krtakatyâsambhavo yathā ghaţâkāśayor—iti darśaniyam. na hy anyathā sapakṣa-vipakṣayoḥ sad-asattve yathôkta-prakāre śakve darśayitum. tat-kāryatā-niyamah kārya-lingasya, svabhāva-lingasya ca svabhāvena vyāptih. asmims cârthe darsite eva drstânto bhavati. etāvan-mātra-rūpatvāt tasyêti. Dharmakīrti expressed a similar idea already in his PV.3.27: tad-bhāva-hetu-bhāvau hi drstânte tad-avedinah / khyāpyete, viduṣām vācyo hetur eva hi kevalaḥ //. Siddhasena, however, has to his credit that he clearly states the conditions of internal formal validity of the proof and dismisses the need to quote any instantiation: the proof is valid because the premisses are valid and the relation between them is universally binding.

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[12] Siddhasena states explicitly five conditions that invalidate pakṣa—and adds that there are, in fact, several varieties of pakṣâbhāsa—in NA.21:

pratipādyasya yaḥ siddhaḥ pakṣâbhāso 'kṣa-liṅgataḥ / loka-sva-vacanābhyāṁ ca bādhito 'nekadhā mataḥ //

These five pakṣâbhāsas are in concord with the list exemplified by Siddharṣi in NAV.: (1) pratipādya-siddha, (2) pratyakṣa-bādhita, (3) anumāna-bādhita, (4) loka-bādhita, (5) sva-vacana-bādhita. Having enumerated five varieties of pakṣâbhāsa, it would be redundant and pointless on Siddhasena's part to say by way of recapitulation in a succinct kārikā that these varieties are numerous: anekadhā mataḥ, unless he had other varieties, not mentioned already by name, in mind. That being the case, he probably referred to other enumerations well-known from other sources.

In fact, Siddhasena's enumeration overlaps with Dharmakīrti's list of fallacies of the thesis, enumerated in NB.(2).49–53⁴⁸. Interestingly, Dharmakīrti subsequently (NB.(2).3.54⁴⁹) adds a few more conditions and the failure to meet them would

render the pakṣa defective as well. Thus, Siddhasena—by anekadhā mataḥ—may have referred to Dharmakīrti's catalogue of defective pakṣas. But not necessarily to Dharmakīrti's. He may have as well referred, e.g. to NP.(2).3.1⁵⁰.

In any case, NA.21 can in no way attest that Siddhasena was posterior or prior to Dharmakīrti. It merely points to certain similarities between Siddhasena's list and the Buddhist tradition. Probably, it was the tradition of Śankarasvāmin and Dharmakīrti that Siddhasena alluded to by anekadhā matah.

[13] In Siddhasena's subsequent aphorism, we find further similarities with NB., though they are less of linguistic nature (similarities in formulations) but rather of methodological character. Analogously to the structure of NB, Siddhasena—after describing fallacious theses—proceeds to discuss fallacious logical reasons (hetv-ābhāsa). However, both the authors first look back to their previous definitions of a correct, not defective hetu:

NA.22: anyathânupapannatvam <u>hetor lakṣaṇam īritam</u>⁵¹ / tad-apratīti-sandeha-viparyāsais tad-ābhatā //

NB.(2).3.55–56: tri-rūpa-<u>lingâkhyānam</u> parârthânumānam ity <u>uktam⁵²</u> tatra trayāṇām rūpāṇām ekasyâpi rūpasyânuktau sādhanâbhāsaḥ. uktāv apy asiddhau <u>sandehe</u> vā pratipādya-pratipādakayoḥ.

Incidentally, it is the only case in both works that the authors first remind the reader/hearer of the definition of a correct 'syllogistic' member/term, and only then deal with its particular fallacies.

Likewise incidentally, both the authors first state general factors that invalidate a correct *hetu*, either singly or jointly, and subsequently enumerate resulting fallacies one by one. There are two such general invalidating factors for Dharmakīrti, viz. asiddhi and sandeha (NB.3.56,109): various combinations (with regard to

^{48/49/ (2)} tatra pratyakṣa-nirākṛto yathā: aśrāvaṇaḥ śabda iti. /50/ (3) anumāna-nirākṛto yathā: nityaḥ śabda iti. /51/ (4?) pratīti-nirākṛto yathā: acandraḥ śaśîti. /52/ (5) sva-vacana-nirākṛto yathā: nânumānam pramāṇam. /53/ iti catvāraḥ pakṣâbhāsā nirākṛtā bhavanti.

⁴⁹ evam siddhasya, asiddhasyâpi sādhanatvenâbhimatasya, svayam vādinā tadā sādhayitum aniṣṭasya, ukta-mātrasya nirākṛtasya ca viparyayeṇa sādhyaḥ ten âiva

svarūpeņābhimato vādina iṣṭo 'nirākṛtaḥ pakṣa iti pakṣa-lakṣaṇam anavadyam darśitam bhayati

⁵⁰ sādhayitum iṣṭo 'pi pratyakṣâdi-viruddhaḥ pakṣâbhāsaḥ, tad yathā: (1) pratyakṣa-viruddhaḥ, (2) anumāna-viruddhaḥ, (3) āgama-viruddhaḥ, (4) loka-viruddhaḥ, (5) sva-vacana-viruddhaḥ, (6) aprasiddha-viseṣaṇaḥ, (7) aprasiddha-viseṣyaḥ, (8) aprasiddhôbhayaḥ, (9) prasiddha-sambandhaś cêti // tatra ...

⁵¹ Either in NA.5 (according to Siddharşi) or in NA.17 (hetos tathôpapattyā vā syāt prayogo 'nyathâpi vā, see NAV. ad loc.: anyathâpi vêty anenâvayave samudāyôpacārād anyathânupapattiṁ lakṣayati).

⁵² NB.3.1: tri-rūpa-lingākhyānam parārthânumānam; cf. also NB.(2).2.5,11-12.

trairūpya) are responsible for particular varieties of hetv-ābhāsa. For Siddhasena. however, there are three-polemically, as it were-such factors: tad-apratiti, sandeha and viparyāsa; thus Dharmakīrti's asiddhi factor would seem to bifurcate into Siddhasena's tad-apratīti and viparyāsa. For instance, for Siddhasena the fallacies of NB.3.58 and 5953 would be probably a case of viparyasa, whereas the fallacy of NB.3.60⁵⁴ should rather be considered a case of tad-apratiti. One could analyse all the remaining cases of fallacious hetus (ensuing from the combination of the factors asiddhi and sandeha) found in NB. and map them onto the triple classification of Siddhasena in the same manner. Practically, it would mean to decide which of the asiddhi cases of Dharmakīrti would correspond to tad-apratīti cases of Siddhasena, and which to his viparyāsa cases. However, we do not have any explicit statement in the far too succinct NA., nor in NAV., that would provide us any algorithm of such a mapping, and the issue is open to our conjectures only.

Interestingly, in NP., for instance, to which NA. might be thought to have occasionally referred to, we do not find any trait of such invalidating factors as asiddhi and sandeha, or anything similar.

[14] Also NA.23 and the classification of particular varieties of hetv-ābhāsas points to secondary sources of Siddhasena's ideas. There seem to be only two such potential sources, i.e. NB. and NP.:

NA.23: asiddhas tv apratīto yo yo 'nyathaîvôpapadyate / viruddho yo 'nyathâpy atra yukto 'naikāntikah sa tu //

NB.(2).3.109: evam esām trayānām rūpānām ekaikasya dvayor dvayor vā rūpayor asiddhau sandehe vā yathā-yogam asiddhaviruddhânaikāntikās trayo hetv-ābhāsāh.

NP.(2).3.2. asiddhânaikāntika-viruddhā hetv-ābhāsāḥ //

However, NB. is a more probable source, inasmuch as the sequence of fallacies (asiddha, viruddha, anaikāntika) listed in NA. is exactly the same as that of NB., not of NP., where the two last varieties are interchanged (asiddha, anaikāntika, viruddha). Dinnāga has the aniścita (or sandigdha) variety, istead of anaikāntika.

What is striking is that Siddhasena has only three varieties of hetv-ābhāsa, like Dharmakirti and Sankarasvāmin, unlike Dinnāga. Moreover, Dharmakirti outspokenly rejects Dinnāga's subvariety, i.e. viruddhâvyabhicārin⁵⁵: NB.(2).3.110: viruddhâvyabhicāry api samśaya-hetur uktah. sa iha kasmān nôktah. We do not find any polemical trait in NA, which could even suggest that Siddhasena adopted Dharmakīrti's criticism of viruddhâvyabhicārin. Apparently he subscribed to the criticism unhesitatingly.

It is worth noticing that NA. diverges also from the tradition of Kumārila, whose triple classification—into asiddha, sandigdha, viruddha in MŚV.—is more akin to Dinnāga's: MŚV.5.4.75 p. 264 mentions the classification (samśayâdī-viparyāyāh): subsequently (1) the threefold asiddha fallacious reason is mentioned in MŚV.5.4.76-83ab; (2) sandigdha and (3) viruddha occur in MŚV.5.4.83cd-107 (e.g. in MŚV.5.4.83cd: sandeha-viparītatva-hetū câtra nirākrtau); besides. (2) sandigdha is further found in MSV.5.4.84b-96b, whereas (3) viruddha is mentioned in MSV.5.4.96cd-107ab. Kumārila nowhere in the Anumāna-pariccheda section uses the term anaikāntika as a hetv-ābhāsa, he has sandigdha instead, like Dinnāga, unlike Dharmakīrti, Śankarasvāmin and Siddhasena. However, Pārthasārathi Miśra follows the general post-Dharmakīrtian typology in his classification, while commenting on Kumārila (p. 264.11 ad MŚV.5.4.75): samprati hetv-ābhāsān asiddhânaikāntika-viruddhān prapañcayan ...

[15] NA.24-25 reveal further similarities pointing to NB. as its possible inspiration. One of them is the phraseological affinity as regards the use of drstantadosa, instead of drstantabhasa, in both works. Both Siddhasena and Dharmakīrti use the expression pakṣâbhāsa as well as similarly tad-ābha and hetv-ābhāsa. However, both of them deviate from the general use of derivatives of a bhas to technically denote logical fallacies, when they refer to drstânta by the term dosa, and to drstanta only:

NA.24: sādharmyenātra drstânta-dosā ..., NA.25: vaidharmyenâtra dṛṣṭânta-doṣā ...,

NB.(2).3.123, 128-129: /123/ etenâva drstânta-dosā api nirastā bhavanti. /128/ sādharmyena dṛṣṭânta-doṣāḥ. /129/ vaidharmyenapi: paramāņuvat karmavad ākāśavad iti sādhvâdy-vyatirekinah.

⁵³ NB.(2),3.57-9; /57/ ekasya rūpasya dharmi-sambandhasyâsiddhau sandehe vâsiddho hetv-ābhāsaḥ. /58/ yathā: anityah śabda iti sādhye cāksusatvam ubhayasiddham [not proved for both parties]. /59/ cetanās tarava iti sādhye sarva-tvagapaharane maranam prativādy-asiddham, vijnān êndriyâyur-nirodha-lakṣaṇasya maranasyânenâbhyupagamāt, tasya ca tarusv asambhavāt [not proved for the opponentl.

⁵⁴ NB.(2).3.60: acetanāh sukhâdaya iti sādhya utpattimattvam anityatyam vā sāmkhyasya svayam vādino 'siddham [not proved for the proponent himself].

⁵⁵ Cf. also RANDLE (1926: 68-69, 79).

Indeed, also Śankarasvāmin has drstânta-dosa twice, but in a slightly different context, viz. that of refutation. Generally, when he discusses fallacious examples, he uses the standard term drstântâbhāsa, e.g. NP.3.3: drstântâbhāso dvividhah: sādharmyena vaidharmyena ca // The only two occurences of drstânta-dosa are found in NP.(2).6.7⁵⁶.

Conspicuously, drstânta-dosa occurs as exemplification of dūsanāni, in the series of sādhana-dosa, paksa-dosa, hetu-dosa and drstânta-dosa. 57 Another occurrence of doșa (however, pratijñā-doșa, not drstânta-doșa) in NP. is attested in the concluding lines of NP.(2).3.1, that summarise the discussion on paksâbhāsa⁵⁸. Also here, the term dosa has a more general meaning than the technical term abhasa, and the peculiarity of the usage of pratijñā-doṣa is confirmed by the closing uktāh paksâbhāsāh. The usage of dosa in NP. confirms the fact that in works preceding Dinnāga, Dharmakīrti or Śankarasvāmin—e.g. in NS., VS., NBh., PBh., etc.—dosa is employed to denote general defects and is not used specifically as a terminus technicus in the sense of ābhāsa.

[16] There is a structural similarity to be observed: both Siddhasena (NA.24) and Dharmakīrti (NB.(2).3.122-3) explicitly define fallacious examples by referring to the definition of a correct hetu. Accordingly, NB.3.122 recapitulates the definition of correct hetu as well as conditions of its validity. The successive statement of NB.3.123 (etenâva dṛṣṭânta-doṣā api nirastā bhavanti; vide supra p. 37) shows that fallacious examples are refuted by referring to the correct definition of hetu, and all fallacies of the example share the same characteristic. Similarly, Siddhasena relates the deficiency of drstantabhasas to deficient logical reasons and, with apalaksanahetûtthāh, he expresses the idea known from the work of Dharmakīrti.

[17] Strangely, in NA.24-25 Siddhasena refers to some tradition by nyāva-vidiritah as regards the classification of fallacious examples. However, there seems to have been no earlier (or contemporary) Jaina source he could have referred to. Thus. in default of any extant evidence attesting to a Jaina tradition which offered a typology of fallacious examples, one is prone to assume—unless we find any indication to the contrary—that, apparently, he must have referred to a general Indian tradition, where we do find such a typology of sadharmya-o and vaidharmyadrstântâbhāsas.

Besides, he also seems to have taken it for granted that the reader/hearer could easily determine what is meant by sādhyâdi-vikalâdayah in NA.24. This task would naturally be quite easy for anyone who was acquainted with NB.(2).3.124-125. At the same time, however, his elliptical formulation sādhyādi-vikalādayah was, polemically as it were, unequivocal enough to rule out the three remaining varieties. viz. (A7) ananvaya, (A8) apradarśitânvaya and (A9) viparītânvaya, formulated by Dharmakīrti (NB.(2).3.126-127), which could by no means have been hinted at by the formulations of NA.24.

Similarly, the sixfold classification of dissimilar drstantabhasas systematised in NA.25 (sādhya-sādhana-yugmānām anivṛtteś ca samsayāt) closely corresponds to the first six fallacious examples of NB.(2).3.129-132: (V1) sādhyâvyatirekin, (V2) sādhanâvyatirekin, (V3) sādhya-sādhanâvyatirekin, (V4) sandigdha-sādhyavyatireka, (V5) sandigdha-sādhana-vyatireka, (V6) sandigdha-sādhya-sādhanavvatireka. Seemingly, NA. and NB. are at variance as regards terminology, for Siddhasena's formulation: sādhya-sādhana-yugmānām anivrtteś ca samśayāt, differs from Dharmakirti's (V1)-(V6). In my opinion, however, anivrties and samsayāt of NA.25 indicate rather plainly °-vyāvrtta and sandigdha-° as the last and first elements of the compounds (V1)-(V3) and (V4)-(V6), respectively. Optionally, we could have (V1) *sādhyânivṛtta, (V2) *sādhanânivṛtta, (V3) *sādhya-sādhanânivṛtta, (V4) *samśayita-sādhya, (V5) *samśayita-sādhana. (V6) samsayita-sadhya-sadhana, which is not different at all from the idea expressed in NB.(2).3.129-132.59

⁵⁶ (6) sādhana-dosôdbhāvanāni dūsanāni // sādhana-doso nyūnatvam, paksa-dosah pratyaksâdi-viruddhatvam. hetu-doso 'siddhânaikāntika-viruddhatvam, drstânta-dosah sādhana-dharmâdy-asiddhatvam. tasyôdbhāvanam prāśnika-pratyāvanam dūsanam // (7) abhūta-sādhana-dosôdbhāvanāni dūsanābhāsāni // sampūrne sādhane nyūnatvavacanam. adusta-pakse paksa-dosa-vacanam. siddha-hetuke 'siddha-hetukam' vacanam. ekânta-hetuke 'nekânta-hetukam vacanam, aviruddha-hetuke viruddha-hetukam vacanam. aduşta-drşţânte duşta-drşţânta-doşa-vacanam. etāni dūşanâbhāsāni. na hy ebhih para-pakso dūsyate, niravadyatvāt tasva // itv uparamyate //.

⁵⁷ NP.6: sādhana-dosôdbhāvanāni dūsanāni // sādhana-doso nyūnatvam. paksadoşah pratyaksâdi-viruddhatvam, hetu-doso 'siddhânaikāntika-viruddhatvam, drstântadoşah sādhana-dharmady-asiddhatvam, tasyôdbhāvanam prāśnika-pratyāyanam dūsanam // .

⁵⁸ eşām vacanāni dharma-svarūpa-nirākaraṇa-mukhena pratipādan âsambhavataḥ sādhana-vaiphalyatas cêti pratijñā-dosāh // uktāh paksâbhāsāh //

⁵⁹ True, theoretically speaking, one could also interpret NA.25 to enforce the acceptance of only (1) sādhyâvyatirekin, (2) sādhanâvyatirekin, (3) sādhyasādhanâvyatirekin—to use Dharmakīrti's terminology—and only one or more varieties (4) sandigdha-sādhya-vyatireka, (5) sandigdha-sādhana-vyatireka, (6) sandigdha-sādhya-sādhana-vyatireka, but not necessarily all of them. While anivrtteh is unquestionably construed with sādhya-sādhana-yugmānām, the expression samsayāt might be conjectured to be taken separately, without any dependence on all elements of sādhya-sādhana-yugmānām. In this respect, attention should be drawn to an instance of different conceivable ways of construing an aphorism of NA. by

As for another possible source of insipration, also NP.(2).3.3 distinguished—in accord with the prevalent tradition of those days—two general categories: similar and dissimilar fallacious examples (dṛṣṭāntābhāso dvividhaḥ: sādharmyeṇa vaidharmyeṇa ca //). However, a closer look at Śankarasvāmin's varieties reveals essential differences, apart from the terminological ones. Accordingly, I see no way how the formulations of fallacies of examples based on similarity found in Nyāyapraveśa⁶⁰ could be interpreted to have influenced Siddhasena's sādhyâdivikalâdayaḥ. As regards Nyāya-praveśa on fallacies of examples based on dissimilarity⁶¹, the influence might have been restricted to (V1), (V2) and (V3) only.

[18] Also NA.26, where criticism / refutation (dūṣaṇa) and its fallacy (dūṣaṇābhāsa) are discussed, might have partly been inspired by Dharmakīrti's NB.(2).3.137–140. Thus, NA.26a-c: vādy-ukte sādhane prokta-doṣāṇām udbhāvanam / dūṣaṇam, reveals a certain similarity—in terms of both formulations and ideas—to the dūṣaṇa-section of NB.(2).3.137–8: /137/ dūṣaṇā nyūnatâdy-uktiḥ. /138/ ye pūrvam nyūnatâdayaḥ sādhana-doṣā uktās teṣām udbhāvanam dūṣaṇam. tena parēṣtārtha-siddhi-pratibandhāt. Less conspicuous, though, is the remaining portion of the second hemistich of NA.26: nirayadye tu dūṣaṇābhāsa-nāmakam //

commentators which we encounter in the case of NA.8: drstêstâvyāhatād vākyāt paramârthâbhidhāyinah / tattva-grāhitayôtpannam mānam śābdam prakīrtitam // The aphorism is explained differently by the commentators, viz. (1) NAV. ad loc.: drstena pramānāvalokitenêşṭaḥ pratipādayiṣito 'vyāhato 'nirākṛtaḥ sāmarthyād artho yasmin vākye tat-tathā; and (2) NAŢ. ad loc.: drstenêty-ādi. ayam bhinnâdhikaraṇas tri-pado bahu-vrīhiḥ yadi vā iṣṭo 'vyāhato 'rtho yatra tad iṣṭâvyāhatam vākyam, tadanu dṛṣṭena pramāna-nirnītena istāvyāhatam iti tat-purusah (cf. BALCEROWICZ (1999: 4, n. 8)). Definitely, such an unnatural interpretation—i.e. to take aniverties to refer to all elements of the triad sādhya-sādhana-yugmānām, while limiting the scope of samsayāt to selected element(s) of the compound sādhya-sādhana-yugmānām-would be a mere guesswork, and one would rather, as a rule, construe sādhya-sādhana-yugmānām with both anivṛttes and samsayāt, and obtain six varieties of dissimilar dṛṣṭântâbhāsas. One would not, in any case, obtain any further varieties mentioned by Dharmakīrti in NB.(2).3.133-135: (V7) avyatireka, (V8) apradarśita-vyatireka and (V9) viparītavyatireka. Thus, Siddhasena apparently does not accept without reservation the Buddhist typology by rejecting (V7), (V8) and (V9).

The corresponding dūṣaṇâbhāsa-section of NB.(2).3.139–140 reads: /139/ dūṣaṇâbhāsās tu jātayaḥ. /140/ abhūta-dosôdbhāvanāni jāty-uttarāṇîti. The reoccurring element dūṣaṇâbhāsa is not decisive at all, whereas Siddhasena's niravadye could be a vague echo of Dharmakīrti's abhūta-dosa.

As a matter of fact, NA.26c-d (<u>niravadye</u> tu <u>dūṣaṇâbhāsa</u>-nāmakam) betrays more affinity to the closing section of NP.(2).7: <u>abhūta</u>-sādhana-doṣôdbhāyaṇāṇi dūṣaṇâbhāsāṇi // ... etāni dūṣaṇâbhāsāṇi na hy ebhih para-pakṣo dūṣyate, <u>niravadyatvāt</u> tasya // ity uparamyate // It is this section, in all probability, that influenced both Dharmakīrti's NB.(2).3.139–140 (<u>dūṣaṇâbhāsās</u> tu jātayaḥ. <u>abhūta-doṣôdbhāyaṇāṇi jāty-uttarāṇîti</u>.) and the portion of NA.26c-d in question.

[19] The twenty-sixth aphorism (the exposition of dūṣaṇa) is the last section of the Nyāyâvatāra, where possible influences from Dharmakīrti's side—in terms of Siddhasena's direct use of Dharmakīrti vocabulary or his response to Dharmakīrti's ideas—are easily detectable. Strangely enough, the topic dealt with in NA.26 closely corresponds to the final issue discussed by Dharmakīrti in NB. Thus, the conspicuous absence of further possible Dharmakīrtian traces in NA.—theoretically derivable from other works of Dharmakīrti—points, in my opinion, to the fact that Siddhasena—while composing NA.—closely followed the structure and the contents of NB., up to NA.26.

In the remaining aphorisms (28–32) Siddhasena discusses issues peculiar to Jainism (viz. corollaries of kevala-jñāna and syād-vāda) and there could hardly have been any Buddhist influence to be noticed in any case: [27] the character of absolute cognition (kevala-jñāna); [28] the result of valid cognition in general; the results of absolute cognition (kevala-jñāna); the results of valid cognitive procedures other than kevala-jñāna; [29] the multiplex character of reality; the domain of cognitive acts; the domain of viewpoints (naya); [30] the character of viewpoints (naya); the description of the doctrine of seven-fold modal description (syād-vāda); [31] the character of the cognitive subject, the soul (jīva); [32] the eternal character of Jaina epistemology.

[20] The phrase pramāṇa-phala occurring in NA.28 is occasionally taken to be a proof of its dependence on Dinnāga.⁶² It is commonly assumed that the phrase in

⁶⁰ NP.(2).3.3.1: tatra sādharmyeṇa tāvad dṛṣṭântâbhāsaḥ pañca-prakāraḥ, tad yathā: (1) sādhana-dharmâsiddhaḥ, (2) sādhya-dharmâsiddhaḥ, (3) ubhaya-dharmâsiddhaḥ, (4) ananvayaḥ, (5) viparītânvayaś cêti // tatra ...

⁶¹ NP.(2).3.3.2. vaidharmyenâpi dṛṣṭântâbhāsaḥ pañca-prakāraḥ, tad yathā: (1) sādhyâvyāvṛttaḥ, (2) sādhanâvyāvṛttaḥ, (3) ubhayâvyāvṛttaḥ, (4) avyatirekaḥ, (5) viparīta-vyatirekaś cêti // tatra ...

⁶² Cf., e.g. QVARNSTRÖM (1999: 178): 'Furthermore, the *Nyāyāvatāra* (28) uses the signature element of Dignāga, namely "pramāṇaphala"⁶¹;' in his note 61, he further draws the reader's attention to the work of G. Dreyfus and Chr. Lindtner: 'The Yogācāra Philosophy of Dignāga and Dharmakīrti". *Studies in Central & East Asian Religions*. Vol. 2, Ed. by Per K. Sørensen et al. Copenhagen 1989: 27–52.

question goes back to Dinnāga, e.g. PS.(1).1.8cd-10⁶³. In these verses Dinnāga asserts that the result of pramāna is pramāna itself, or introspective cognition which consists in the determining of an object (sva-samvitti, artha-niścaya). Precisely the same idea (ātmânubhāva, artha-viniścaya) is echoed in PV.2.306-307ab, 339⁶⁴. Generally, the idea is discussed at length by Dharmakīrti both in his PVin.I(1).78.12-100.26 and in PV.2.301-366, 388-391. Accordingly, NA.28 might be taken to be a rejoinder of both Dinnāga and Dharmakīrti, and there seems to nothing decisive to be found in NA.28 that would exclude any of the two authors.

On the other hand, any attempt to look for inspiration of NA.28 in works of either Dinnāga or Dharmakīrti seems to me to be a result of misapprehension of the true import of the aphorism. In it, Siddhasena does not discuss the problem whether pramāna-phala can or cannot be equated with pramāna itself, which is the major concern of Dinnāga and Dharmakīrti. What is intended in the verse are rather extraepistemological issues of both soteriological (kevala) and mundane (śeṣa) character, viz. the result of pramāna is 'the cessation of nescience' (ajñāna-vinivartana), whereas the result of specific kinds of cognition is two-fold. The first category subsumes happiness and indifference (sukhôpekṣe) in case of the perfect knowledge (kevala), being a prerequisite of liberation (mokṣa) and commonly taken by the

Vasudhararakşita/Sen-rgyal 15a.5-15b.4: Kanakavarman/Dad-paḥi śes-rab 95b.5-96a.5:

bya dan bcas par rtogs pahi phyir |
tshad mahi hbras bu niid du hdod ||
ran rig la yan hdir hbras bu |
de yi no bo las don nes |
yul gyi snan ba hdi niid hdi |
tshad ma de yis hjal bar byed ||
gan tshe snan ba de gsal bya |
tshad ma dan dehi hbras bu ni |
hdsin rnam rig pa de yi phyir |
de gsum tha dad du ma byas ||

bya dan bcas par rtogs paḥi phyir |
ḥbras bu ñid du yod tshad ma ||
yan na ran rig ḥdir ḥbras bu |
de yi no bo las don nes |
yul gyi snan ba ñid de ḥdiḥi |
tshad ma de yis ḥjal bar bya ||
gan ltar snan ba de gṣal bya |
tshad ma dan deḥi ḥbras bu ni |
ḥdsin rnam rig paḥo de yi phyir |
de gsum tha dad du ma byas | |

Jainas to be tantamount to the destruction of nescience. Since it results from the destruction of $karman^{65}$ it is necessarily associated with innate happiness, etc. ⁶⁶ that are inhibited by karman. The other—pragmatic, as it were—category of results refers to 'the faculty of appropriation and avoidance' ($\bar{a}d\bar{a}na-h\bar{a}na-dh\bar{i}$) in case all the remaining kinds of (mundane) cognition. ⁶⁷ Consequently, what really the verse is reminiscent of is rather NBh.1.1.3: $yad\bar{a}$ $j\bar{n}\bar{a}na\bar{m}$ $tad\bar{a}$ $h\bar{a}n\hat{o}p\bar{a}dan\hat{o}pek\bar{s}a-buddhayah$ phalam, with all the three elements of $h\bar{a}na$, $up\bar{a}dana$ / $\bar{a}d\bar{a}na$ and $\bar{a}pek\bar{s}a$, as a result (phala) of cognition $(j\bar{n}ana)$.

What is important to remember is that there are numerous similarities, more and less conspicuous, and not all of them are decisive when taken alone. Some of these similarities indicated on the preceding pages may equally well point to a tradition or author prior to Dharmakīrti, viz. to Dinnāga or Śankarasvāmin. Some of such similarities may be due to the general style of writing, of arranging a philosophical treatise, of structuring a philosophical discourse, etc. We should remember that both the Nyāya-bindu and the Nyāyâvatāra were primarily handbooks of logic and their purpose was predominantly didactic. Nonetheless, the accumulation of evidence only enforces those of them that are quite conclusive and convincing. To sum up, my impression is that in all dubious cases, when both NP. and NB. seem relevant as possible sources of Siddhasena's ideas, Siddhasena probably took recourse to Dharmakīrti rather than to Śankarasvāmin, inasmuch as in all those rare cases when there are clear similarities to be found between NA. and NP., they are also traceable in NB. However, not all cases of similarities between NA. and NB. can be shown with regard to NA. and NP. In other words, the development of certain ideas that had taken place in the period connecting Śankarasvāmin and Dharmakīrti, was reflected in the contents of NA. and some ideas still absent from NP., that were later either introduced or modified by Dharmakīrti, found their way into NA. Similarly, certain influences to be found in NA. point both to Dinnaga and to Dharmakīrti. However, Siddhasena seems to be acquainted with certain new developments or ideas that first developed with Dharmakīrti (not necessarily only in NB.) and are not found in Dinnaga's works.

Paradoxically as it were, would it not be thinkable to claim that it was Siddhasena who influenced Dharmakīrti and who was the intermediary stage between Dinnāga and Dharmakīrti? For at least three reasons we should dismiss such a possibility.

⁶³ savyāpāra-pratītitvāt pramāṇam phalam eva sat // sva-samvittiḥ phalam vâtra tadrūpo hy artha-niścayaḥ / viṣayâkāratâvâsya pramāṇam tena mīyate // yad-ābhāsam prameyam tat pramāṇa-phalate punaḥ / grāhakâkāra-samvittī trayam nâtaḥ pṛthak-kṛtam // . For the Sanskrit text, see HATTORI (1968: 97, n. 1.55—107, n. 1.67). Tibetan text reads as follows:

⁶⁴ tasmāt prameyâdhigateḥ sādhanam meya-rūpatā / sādhane 'nyatra tat-karma-sambandho na prasiddhyati // sā ca tasyâtma-bhūtâiva tena nârthântaram phalam / yadā saviṣayam jñānam jñānâmśe 'rtha-vyavasthiteḥ / tadā ya ātmânubhāvaḥ sa evârtha-viniścayah //

⁶⁵ Cf. TS.10.1: moha-kṣayāj jñāna-darśanâvaraṇântarāya-kṣayāc ca kevalam.

⁶⁶ Cf., e.g. TBh.10.7 (p. 231 f.) v.23 ff. (samsāra-vişayâtītam muktānām avyayam ukham).

⁶⁷ Cf. also FRANCO (1997: 65).

There is, in the first place, a continuous tradition in epistemic concepts referred to by both Dharmakirti and Siddhasena that go back to Dinnaga. Dharmakirti himself refers to Dinnaga so explicitly that would seem highly implausible to believe that he had availed himself of the Jaina epistemological tradition with respect to the number of points mentioned above in §§ 1-20, without even a single mention of it: one would expect Dharmakīrti embarking on at least an accidental discussion of a few issues he had supposedly taken over from the Jainas. Secondly, Satkari MOOKERJEE, who believed Siddhasena to flourish in the sixth century and to precede Dharmakīrti,68 puzzled over what was in his opinion Dharmakīrti's lack of reaction as regards Siddhasena's interpretation of the intrinsic invariable concomitance (antar-vyāpti) and the superfluous character of the example as an exemplification (bahir-udāhṛti) external to the most elementary constituents of the proof formula, as well as the definition of the logical reason as 'inexplicability otherwise'. 69 This becomes no longer a query when we assume that Siddhasena was post-Dharmakīrtian. Moreover, it is for precisely the same reason that also Pātrasvāmin should be taken to flourish after Dharmakīrti. Thirdly, the concepts of svartha-vākya and parârtha-vākya (NA.10) as well as svârtha-pratyaksa and parârtha-pratyaksa (NA.11) would have with certainty evoked a refutal from the side of Dharmakīrti, had he known about it. Likewise, Dharmakirti would have certainly commented upon the idea of non-erroneousness of inference (anumānam ... abhrāntam) proven by its being a cognitive criterion alone (pramānatvāt), found in NA.5. The same holds true for the idea of 'inexplicability otherwise' (anyathânupapannatva). Thus, any supposition that Siddhasena preceded Dharmakīrti can safely be dismissed.

Accordingly, depending on whether we follow the widely accepted dating of Dharmakīrti, viz. c. 600–660⁷⁰ or the results of latest research by KIMURA (1999) who assigns the years 550–620 for Dharmakīrti, we would have for the *terminus post quem* Siddhasena as the author of the *Nyāyāvatāra* circa 620 or 660, respectively.

There is still another factor to be taken account of, viz. the question of the defining characteristic of the logical reason (hetu) characterised as 'the fact of being otherwise inexplicable', or 'inexplicability otherwise' (anyathânupapannatva,

anyathânupapatti) in NA.22: anyathânupapannatvam hetor lakṣaṇam īritam. The author clearly refers to an earlier source and the idea did not originate with him in his NA. Independently, we find the idea reported and criticised by Śāntarakṣita in TSa.(1).1364 ff. (p. 405 f.) in the context of the validity of inference (anumāna).⁷¹ The most famous and relatively often quoted verse is TSa.1369:

anyathânupapannatvam yatra tatra trayena kim / nânyathânupapannatvam yatra tatra trayena kim // ⁷².

Significantly enough, Śāntarakṣita TSa.(1).1364, p. 405.1) mentions Pātrasvāmin as the source of the idea: anyathêty-ādinā pātrasvāmi-matam āśankate ..., and the treatise in question is the lost Tri-lakṣaṇa-kadarthana⁷³ by Pātrasvāmin, identified occasionally with Pātrakesarin / Pātrakesarisvāmin = Vidyānanda. For obvious reasons this Pātrasvāmin cannot be Vidyānanda (c. 850), the author of the Ślokavārttika on Umāsvāti's Tattvârtha-sūtra—as SUKHLAL—DOSHI (1928)⁷⁴ and CHATTERJEE (1978: 331) would have it—but some else who preceded Śāntarakṣita (c. 725–788)⁷⁵, the teacher of Kamalaśīla.⁷⁶ Since the author of NA. alludes to his

⁶⁸ See: MOOKERJEE (1935: 398).

⁶⁹ See: MOOKERJEE (1935: 4-5): 'What however strikes us is the intriguing situation created by Siddhasena's reference to *antarvyāpti* and the definition of *hetu* (probans) as *anyathānupapanna* in the verse 20 and 22 respectively. It is nothing short of enigma that this innovation of the Jaina logicians did not evoke a reply from Dharmakīrti.'

⁷⁰ See: Frauwallner (1961). Cf. also Steinkellner-Much (1995: 23).

⁷¹ The relevant section is edited and translated in Kunst (1939: 11–53). See also PATHAK (1930–31) 71–83.

⁷² Strangely enough, Śāntarakṣita in TSa. interchanges the pādas ab with cd. The verse is also found in (1) TŚVA. p. 203 [the discussion of anyathânupapatti and the refutation of tri-lakṣaṇa is found there on pp. 198–217], (2) TBV. Vol. II, p. 569.28–29, (3) PMī.2.1.9 § 33 (p. 45.17–18). Hemacandra's criticism against the Buddhist idea of trairūpya in PMī.2.1.9 § 33 (p. 45.17–16) closely follows the exposition of Pātrasvāmin's aphorisms quoted in TSa. attesting to the authenticity of the quotation. Hemacandra, instead of the terms anyathânupapatti, uses the expression avinā-bhāva, cf. PMī.2.1.9 (p. 43.34–35): svārtham sva-niścita-sādhyâvinā-bhāvâika-lakṣaṇāt sādhanāt sādhya-jñānam. The formulation sādhyâvinā-bhāvâika-lakṣaṇāt resembles both Pātrasvāmin's Tri-lakṣaṇa-kadarthana (tenâika-lakṣaṇo hetuh prādhānyād gamako 'stu nah / = TSa.1379) as well as NA.5ac: sādhyâvinā-bhuno lingāt sādhya-niścāyakam smṛtam / anumānam.

⁷³ A reference to the work is found in DHAKY (1995: 43), who refers to Jugal Kishor Mukhtar: 'Sammatisūtra aur Siddhasena' (Hindi), *Jaina Sāhitya aur Itihāsa par Viśada Prakāśa*, Calcutta 1956: 538-543 [the work was not available to me].

⁷⁴ Cf. UPADHYE (1971: *14-15), PATHAK (1930: passim) and PATHAK (1930-31: passim), who refers to him as Pātrakesari Vidyānanda or as Pātrakesarisvāmi.

⁷⁵ Cf. Steinkellner–Much (1995: 56).

⁷⁶ Cf. Bhattacharyya (1926: ixvi-ixvii): 'In that case Pātrasvāmin must be an earlier author than both Śāntarakṣita and Vidyānanda, and he must have first

predecessors and Śāntarakṣita mentions only Pātrasvāmin, it must have been the latter who was responsible for the idea of anyathânupapannatva. Had it been Siddhasena who introduced the idea, Śāntarakṣita would not, in all probability, have missed the opportunity to mention this. Certainly Pātrasvāmin is post-Dinnagan, for his Tri-lakṣaṇa-kadarthana was conceived to refute the latter, but his dating is quite uncertain. It is surprising, nonetheless, that Śāntarakṣita seems nowhere to allude to the NA. or its author. Consequently, the widespread opinion assuming that NA. is the first Jaina treatise on epistemology per se loses its weight, inasmuch we can safely assume that Siddhasena had his predecessor in the person of Pātrasvāmin.

As regards the terminus ante quem, in view of the fact that the verse no. 4 of the Nyāyâvatāra is incorporated into SDSa. as verse no. 56, it should be assigned to the date of Haribhadrasūri. A supposition that it is SDSa.56 that was the source which NA.4 was borrowed from and that NA.4 is merely an interpolation seems inadmissible to me. NA.4 fits ideally the argumentative structure of the text: (1) NA.1 states the definition of pramāṇa, as well as the types and a general criterion of such a division, (2) NA.2 is polemical concerning the meaninglessness of formulating a definition for a well-known term/idea of pramāṇa, (3) NA.3 is a rejoinder to the objection, (4) NA.4 defines the two main divisions of pramāṇa along with a specific reason for such a division, ⁷⁸ (5) NA.5 opens a section dealing

propounded the theory that valid reason is that the existence of which cannot be maintained unless it is invariably concomitant with the major term ... cir. 700 A.D.'.

⁷⁷ Cf. MUKTHAR (1948) [according to UPADHYE (1971:*30)]: '7) The Nyāyāvatāra is composed centuries later than the Sanmati-sūtra, because it shows the influence of Pātrasvāmi (later than Samantabhadra) as well as Dharmakīrti and Dharmottara'; and V.P. Johrapurkar ('Introduction' to VTP., pp. 41 ff.) quoted in n. 5 above. See also DHAKY (1995: 42–3): '...the first foot of the kārikā 22 concerning the hetu-lakṣaṇa (character of probans) reflects sense-agreement, even partial verbal concordance with the verses from Pātrasvāmi's (Pātrakesari's) Trilakṣaṇakadarthana cited by the Buddhist scholiast Śāntarakṣita in his Tattvasaṅgraha (c. 2nd quarter of the 8th century A. D.)³².' SHASTRI (1990: 31) is a bit more reserved and does not take for granted that Pātrasvāmin was anterior to Siddhasena: 'Nyāyāvatāra also defines hetu in the same manner.'

⁷⁸ Both NA.1 and 4 go against the prevalent Jaina tradition to subsume cases of sensory cognition, inference and verbal testimony under parok a a, whereas pratyak a a was taken to denote extra-sensory and extra-mental acts of cognition (viz. avadhi, manah-paryay a and kevala). For Siddhasena the criterion of directness (ak a a) was not the cognising subject, or the soul (ak a a j v a a t man a

with erroneousness of $pram\bar{a}nas$, etc. The use of vocabulary in NA.4 is not unusual for NA. Coincidentally, two adjacent verses, viz. NA.4 and NA.5, are stylistically and structurally quite akin: $p\bar{a}da$ a-b: reason (aparokṣatayā, sādhyâvinā-bhuno lingāt) + object + verbal derivative in the meaning of a present participle (arthasya grāhakam, sādhya-niścāyakam) + ... + $p\bar{a}da$ c: subject (pratyakṣam, anumānam) ... Admittedly, the similarity is not a crucial argument in favour of the same authorship of the two verses, however, there is nothing that could speak against a common authorship. The argument gains on strength in view of the fact that Haribhadrasūri quotes the verse no. 2 of NA. in his Aṣtaka and refers to its author as Mahāmati 80.

In view of the above, DHAKY's (1995: 44) claim⁸¹—to handle the discomfort that Haribhadra himself ascribes one of the verses to a Mahāmati—that both NA.2 and 4 were taken from lost dvātrimśikās of Siddhasena Divākara is highly debatable to me. Not only NA.4 seems to represent an original kārikā of NA., but the same holds good in the case of kārikā 2. We could not make head or tail of NA.2 (the objection) if we did not have NA.1. Moreover, NA.3 (the rejoinder) would be pointless without NA.2. All the lost dvātrimśikās of Siddhasena Divākara as a reference source in

⁷⁹ The work is not available to me. I am forced to rely here on Pt. Dalsukhbhai MALVANIA (1979: 287–288). Cf. also UPADHYE (1971: xxiv) and DHAKY (1995: 44).

⁸⁰ UPADHYE (1971: xxiv) is right to point out 'that Haribhadra, in his Aṣṭaka, quotes the Nyāyāvatāra 2, by referring to its author as Mahāmati. Elsewhere, however Haribhadra speaks plainly about the author of the Sanmati as Divākara and Śrutakevalin.' This enforces the supposition against the authorship of Siddhasena Divākara of NA.

was the author of both NA. and NAV.—P.B.) as well as the period determination (ninth/tenth century for NA.—P.B.) can be raised on the grounds of the ascription of a verse, which appears as the kārikā 2 of the Nyāyāvatāra, to Mahāmati (=Siddhasena Divākara) by Yākinisūnu Haribhadra sūri (active c. A. D. 745–785) in his Aṣṭaka³8. And the kārikā 4 figures as a part of the Ṣaḍdarśana-samuccaya of the same Haribhadra sūri³9. Since Haribhadra sūri ascribed the particular verse (kārikā 2) to Siddhasena Divākara, it must be so. However, this kārikā could be originally from some dvātrinsikā, one of the lost 11 of Siddhasena Divākara, perhaps the Pramāna-dvātrinsikā, from which Gandhahasti Siddhasena quotes in his sa-bhāṣya-Tattvārthādhigama-sūtra-vṛtti⁴0. The kārikā 4 in the Ṣaḍ-darśana-samuccaya may likewise have been taken from one of the unavailable dvātrinsikā of Siddhasena Divākara. Alternatively, if that verse is Haribhadra's own, Siddharṣi must have borrowed it from the Ṣaḍdarśana. In any case, Haribhadra and Siddharṣi could have common sources from which they apparently may have drawn.'

argumentation resemble rather a kind of śaśa-viṣāṇa. Naturally, as long as we do not have all dvātrimśikās written by Siddhasena Divākara, we cannot, theoretically speaking, preclude the possibility that the verses indeed were taken from some lost dvātrimśikā. But such an argumentation is not very constructive. I see no reason to doubt the authenticity of kārikās 2 and 4 as long as they form a consistent logical part of the Nyāyāvatāra as a whole and bear stylistic similarities to adjacent kārikās, 82 especially when the counter-arguments begin with 'perhaps' and are of merely could-or-may-have-been nature.

Further, the identification of Siddharşi as the author of both NA. and NAV., postulated by DHAKY, has very weak foundations. In the first place, there is ample evidence that Siddharşi (the author of NAV.) is not Siddhasena (the author of NA.) and that the two texts were written by different authors, inasmuch as Siddharşi refers to the author of NA. explicitly, although not by name, but by the term ācārya or sūtra-kṛt, to cite a few cases only. [1] Introductory lines of NAV.3: /3/ adhunācāryo gṛhītas tāvakīno 'bhiprāyo 'smābhir iti param pratyāyayams tanmatam anudrāvya tad evânumanyamānas tathâpi lakṣanôkteḥ sāphalyam āvedayann āha: ...; [2] the final sentence of NAV.3: tad evam pramāṇa-lakṣanam sāmānyena pratipādya tad-gatam kucodyam paryahāry ācāryena; [3] NAV.13: yad vâtyantâbhyāsena parikarmita-matitvāt tāvatāva prastuta-prameyam avabudhyate, tadā hetu-pratipādanam eva kriyate, śeṣâbhidhānasya śrotṛ-samskārâkāritayā nairarthakyād ity-ādau hetu-pratipādanam sūtra-kṛtā parârtham anumānam uktam; [4] NAV.29: ata evācāryasya na tal-lakṣanâdi-svarūpa-kathane 'pi mahânādarah. Additionally, in some cases (e.g. on NA.8), Siddharṣi does offer at least two

different interpretations of a $k\bar{a}rik\bar{a}$, or diverges from the contents of NA., e.g. in the case of NA.4d⁸⁴.

Thus, we can safely take the date-brackets for the *Nyāyâvatāra* to be firmly fixed after 620 C.E. (Dharmakīrti) and Pātrasvāmin and before c. 800 C.E. (Haribhadrasūri). As for the date of Haribhadrasūri, JACOBI (1926: *Introduction*) assigns Haribhadra to c. 750, whereas UPADHYE (1971: xxv) to c. 750–800 C.E. and DHAKY (1995: 44) to c. 745–785. However, the *terminus post quem* for Haribhadra is Arcaţa, since the latter is quoted in Haribhadrasūri's NPV.9.15–1986. Arcaţa, the teacher of Dharmottara, can be assigned to c. 730–790 or 720–780.

Finally, as regards the name of the author of the Nyāyâvatāra, we are indeed in a quandary. Probably the earliest indication of his name is, as it has been mentioned above (p. 47), Haribhadrasūri who makes mention of him under the appellation 'Mahāmati'. The subsequent source from which we learn that NA. was composed by a Siddhasena is NAVV. of Śāntisūri. The author of NA. is explicitly identified there in at least four places⁸⁸. In the last reference Śāntisūri is even more specific to give the full name of the author as well: Siddhasenārka⁸⁹. All other references we

⁸² I have dealt briefly with the style of NA.4 above. The same is even more true for NA.2 that is closely followed by NA.3 (the most conspicuous similarities underlined):

^{/2/} prasiddhāni pramānāni vyavahāras ca tat-kṛtah / pramāna-lakṣaṇaṣyôktau jñāyate na prayojanam //

^{/3/} prasiddhānām pramānānām laksanôktau prayojanam / tad-vyāmoha-nivṛttih syād vyāmūdha-manasām iha //

⁸³ DHAKY (1995: 43) is so far right that indeed Siddharsi nowhere mentions the author of *Nyāyāvatāra* by name: 'As noted in the beginning, Siddharsi does not ascribe the *Nyāyāvatāra* to Siddhasena Divākara or to a different Siddhasena or for that matter to any other author.' However, he clearly misses the point when he further claims: 'Nor does he mention it as a composition of a *pūrvācārya*, *vrddhācārya*, or some *cirantanācārya*. Also, in his verse by verse exposition, he nowhere uses qualificatory phrases such as *śāstrakāra*, *sūtrakāra*, *kārikākāra*, *ācārya*, etc. which may have denoted a second, an earlier revered personage, as the *kārikās*' author.'

⁸⁴ Siddhasena emphasises the way of cognising, or '[the manner of] grasping [an object]', whereas Siddharṣi takes the expression to refer to the existence and the nature of the cognoscible. See p. 26 above.

⁸⁵ Thus, I cannot but side with the opinion already expressed in VAIDYA (1928: xx): 'The terminus a quo would be the date of Dharmakīrti and the terminus ad quem that of Haribhadra.'

⁸⁶ Acc. to STEINKELLNER-MUCH (1995: 119) the original title found to the colophon is *Nyāya-praveśa-tīkā śiṣya-hitā*.

⁸⁷ See: STEINKELLNER-MUCH (1995: 64) and FRAUWALLNER (1961: 148).

^{88 [1]} NAVV.36§ 7 (p. 95.8): śrīsiddhasena-ghaṭita-sphuṭa-gīḥśalākāṁ śuddhām avāpya vimalaṁ vihitaṁ mayâtat //, [2] NAVV.21.§ 2 (p. 78.9–10): evaṁ-rūpasya vadhaḥ tyāgaḥ siddhasenārkasyêty arthaḥ., [3] NAVV.53.§ 2 (p. 107.18): siddhasenasya sūtra-kartuḥ..., [4] NAVV.1.§ 11 (p. 13.14–15): tat kiṁ svātantryeṇa? na ity āha—siddhasenārka-sūtritam iti. siddhasena eva jagaj-jantu-mano-moha-saṁtatitām asītamaḥ samūhâpoha-kāritvāt arka iva arkah, tena sūtritam.

⁸⁹ Indeed, Śāntisūri speaks of Siddhasenārka, not of Siddhasena Divākara, as UPADHYE (1971: xxiv) would have it: 'iii) ... The earliest author, as far as I know, who specifies the name of Siddhasena Divākara as the author of the *Nyāyāvatāra* is Śāntisūri of the 11th century A.D. or so.' Nevertheless, I would side with UPADHYE in asserting that 'Arka' is just another name for 'Divākara'. Thus, I see absolutely no justification for the contention of DHAKY (1995: 49, n. 9), who—commenting on the clause: siddhasena eva jagaj-jantu-mano-moha-samtati-tāmasītamaḥ-samūh âpoha-kāritvāt

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encounter in the Jaina literature of this period are to Siddhasena Divākara as the author of other works, but none to him as the author of NA.90 In view of the extant evidence, the opinion of MUKTHAR (1948)91 still holds good that the author of the Nyāyāvatāra is apparently different from the author of the Sanmati-tarka-prakarana and from the author of the twenty-one dvatrimsikas ascribed to Siddhasena Divakara. Strangely enough, the available colophons of NA. and NAV. contain no reference to the name of the author of NA. Since even the point is not clear whether the author of NA. was a Siddhasena, not to mention the problem of deciding which Siddhasena he could have been, 92 I would—for the sake of convenience—suggest to tentatively call the author of the Nyāyâvatāra Siddhasena Mahāmati, after the specific identification of Haribhadrasūri.

arka iva arkah, tena sūtritam-maintains that "Arka" here is not in the sense of "Divākara" but "essence".' Clearly, arka here is an epithet of Siddhasena, who is compared to the sun (arka iva; arka=divā-kara), and by him (tena) the idea discussed before is composed in a sūtra form (sūtritam). If we took arka as DHAKY would like it, the whole clause could hardly be construable.

90 Cf., e.g. [1] UPADHYE (1971: xiii): 'Haribhadra is one of the earlier authors to mention Siddhasena Divākara and his Sanmati. First, he calls him Śrutakevalin; and secondly, he tells us that his name was Divākara (p. *1). Then he has a pun on the name that he was like Divākara, sun, to the darkness of Duḥṣama-kāla.' [2] UPADHYE (1971: xvii): '...Pūjyapāda ...quotes Siddhasena's Stuti III.16 in his Sarvārthasiddhi (II.10; VII.13).' [3] H. R. Kāpadīā (AJP., 'Introduction', Vol. II, pp. 98 ff.): 'Haribhadra refers to Siddhasena in his Sammaipayarana, in his Anekāntajayapatākā as well as in his Paincavatthuya (vv.1047-8), calling him Suyakevali. Jinadāsagani (c. 676 A.D.) refers to him thrice in his Nisīhavisehacunnī.' [4] DAVE (1962): 'So Siddhasena is earlier than Mallavādi and the tradition puts him as a contemporary of Vikramāditya who flourished in 57 B.C.' [according to UPADHYE (1971:*53)] and 'Akalanka and Vidyananda quote the Sanmati.' [according to UPADHYE (1971:*59)].

⁹¹ 'The following points are clear: (1) The Dvā.s were not composed in the present order; (2) they are not of one and the same Siddhasena; (3) the Nyāyāvatāra is one of them; (4)... No indisputable evidence is brought forth for the common authorship of the Dvā.s, Nyāyāvatāra and Sanmati. ... There were thus three clear and distinct Siddhasenas: (1) the author of Sanmati; (2) the author of Nyāyāvatāra; (3) and another, the author of some Dva.s.' [according to UPADHYE (1971:*28)].

⁹² It is not established that Arka was indeed used by Śāntisūri as a synonym of Divākara.

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