1. Introduction

1.1. Aims, main focus

The primary aim of this piece is to determine the “locus” of universal D-quantification in Old Hungarian within the inventory of linguistic expressions conveying universal or maximal readings. Such an inventory will be presented and discussed in section 2. A subsidiary aim is to chart interactions between different modes of quantification in Old Hungarian. Such interactions may involve a D-quantifier “decorated” with a distributive suffix (an A-quantifier), or a correlative clause embedded under a D-quantifier.¹

Different linguistic means of expressing universality/maximality have different logical and grammatical properties (which will be outlined in 1.2). It is conjectured that D-quantification as found in the codices was a rela-

¹ These modes, or strategies, have survived in Modern Hungarian, but they do not intermingle any more.
tively late development in Old Hungarian; since its formal properties are radically different from those of other linguistic forms, its emergence in Old Hungarian can be said to have had far-reaching consequences, especially at the syntax–semantics interface.

Data from surviving Old Hungarian codices support, we claim, the following observations and hypotheses:

1. **Hypothesis 1**: in early Old Hungarian so-called A-quantification was prevalent. Certain suffixes, such as the distributive suffix -keed (MH -ként is like English -ly), could be analysed as distributivity operators.

2. **Hypothesis 2**: early OH had bare indeterminate pronouns that could be “bound” long-distance by propositional quantifiers in the manner proposed in Shimoyama (2001) or Kratzer & Shimoyama (2002). Section 2 will present data that support this hypothesis, and sections 3 and 4 contain some discussion.

3. **Hypothesis 3**: D-quantification (quantification expressed by means of determiners, quantifying DPs) is a relatively late development in OH. Support comes from the morphosyntactic make-up of unusual cases presented in 3.4.

4. In addition, maximal/universal readings could be conveyed by means of corollatives (on corollatives in MH cf. among others Lipták 2009b).

An overview of the data from OH codices shows that the inventory of quantification in Hungarian was rather varied. In addition, quantifiers from one class could interfere with quantifiers from other classes. Some of the discussion in later parts of this paper will attempt to disentangle some of these strands.

The main focus of this paper is D-quantification by means of minden ‘every’, and the textbook properties such a quantifier has been assumed to have. We will present data that appear to conflict with some of these “textbook” properties; explanations will either rely on the assumption that OH minden did not in fact have the property in question, or they will evoke the interference of some other factor (usually some other mode of quantification).

A crucial type of interaction involves minden and indeterminate pronouns. What will be discussed is in fact the “afterlife” of Hungarian indeterminate pronouns. In OH codices (and, after that, during every stage of Hungarian) we find particle + indeterminate compounds, such as vala-ki
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At this stage of discussion the issue (taken up in sections 3 and 4) is the following: According to Kratzer and Shimoyama, in European languages, with such particle + indeterminate combinations, all the particle contributes is an uninterpretable feature, which needs to be checked with a covert operator somewhere higher in the structure. Where Hungarian is concerned, our claim is that, pending further research, Hungarian in-definite combinations can be assumed to behave as predicted by Kratzer and Shimoyama: the particle contributes an uninterpretable feature, which needs to be checked by, say, an interrogative operator, by a default existential quantifier, and so on. Nevertheless, we argue that minden in all its combinations had its own interpretable feature. That is to say, Hungarian minden appears to behave as proposed in the Agree-based model of the syntax–semantics interface in Biberauer & Roberts (2011), in that it carried its own interpretable (quantificational) feature. (See also Watanabe 2004 for a more fine-grained model of indeterminate–operator relations).

1.2. Ways and means of quantification

1.2.1. D-quantification vs. A-quantification

Since the middle of the nineteen-eighties it has been known to the semantics community that the linguistic expression of quantification is not confined to quantifying NPs (or adverbial quantifiers like frequency adverbs). On the basis of morphosyntactic criteria two natural classes of quantifier expressions were distinguished by Barbara Partee, with the tacit assumption that the difference in linguistic expression may involve logical differences as well (Partee 1995).

According to Barbara Partee, one needs to distinguish between

1. D-quantifiers: determiners, quantifying DPs, and


According to conventional wisdom, D-quantification is selective, local with respect to variable binding, and island-sensitive. In the case of quantifiers, sensitivity to islands means the absence of certain scope configurations. In island-free environments, scope relations can be flexible, due to covert quantifier movement.
Variable binding is local, viz., it is confined to the scope of a given quantifier. In dynamic parlance this entails that (“genuine”) quantifiers are externally static (Groenendijk & Stokhof 1991; Kamp et al. 2011):

(1) Every, cat is fond of its kittens. *She, caught a lot of mice.

Islands: in the following sentences the embedded quantifier cannot outscope the syntactic island in which it occurs (May 1985; 1989).

(2) a. Every professor heard the rumour [that every student of his had been summoned to the dean’s office].
   b. [If every friend of mine comes to the party] it will be a riot.

Scope flexibility:

(3) a. The ambassador of every country was invited to the reception.
   b. There was a policeman at every corner.

The scope of D-quantifiers in Old Hungarian could also be flexible. (4) illustrates narrower-than-surface scope:

(4) Es sonha meg nem sert tyteket valamyben ha mynden
and never PRT not hurt you.PL-ACC VALA-what-INE if every
nappon fogattok neky adnya eleg ededelt
day-SUP promise-2PL DAT-3SG give-INF enough food-ACC
‘And he (the wolf) will never cause you any harm if you promise to give him enough food every day.’
   (Jókai C., 151)

The point of the example is that the scope of mynden nappon ‘every day’ is confined to the infinitival clause. (The reading is ‘You promise to give him enough food every day’, and not ‘Every day, you promise to give him enough food’.)

The following two sentences show wide scope over preceding material:

(5) a. Thowaba megh nem emlekezem soha mynden 9 alnosaghjyrol
   further PRT not remember never every he duplicity-POS3.PL-DEL
   ‘Furthermore, I shall never recall all his duplicity.’
   (Érsekújvár C., 77vb)
   b. akoron wolthak wolna Ierwsalembe sok Irasthdok myndê nemzetekbol
   hen were COND Jerusalem-INE many learned-men every nation-PL-ELA
   ‘At the time there were in Jerusalem many learned men from every nation.’
   (Érsekújvár C., 80rb)
In the case of (5b) the inversely linked reading is straightforward. With (5a), on the other hand, both scope options appear viable. What makes the inverse scope reading more plausible (we think) is the subject matter of the text: true forgiveness involves not recalling any duplicity, instead of not recalling some (possibly not all) instances of it.

Where A-quantifiers are concerned, it is hard to ascribe them one set of invariant logical properties. What is certain is that adverbial quantifiers are predicted to have frozen scope (since they are generated in situ). Adverbial quantifiers can also be unselective. (6) is a “natural” example from Dorothy Parker’s work, quoted by Peters & Westerståhl (2006).

(6) Men seldom make passes at girls who wear glasses. (Dorothy Parker)
Few {man, girl-with-glasses} pairs are such that the man makes a pass at the girl.

The frozen scope of adverbial quantifiers is shown in (7): the embedded quantifier in (7a) cannot take matrix scope, even though it occurs in a non-finite clause.

(7) a. JÁNOSₕ képes mindig győzni.
John capable.of always win-INF
‘It is John who is capable of always winning.’

b. Mindig JÁNOSₕ képes győzni.
Always John capable.of win-INF
‘It is always John who is capable of winning.’

There is a truth-conditional difference between (7a) and (7b): (7a) can be true in a scenario where others can sometimes win, and John is the only person who always wins. (7b) is false in such a situation.

1.2.2. Indeterminate-based Quantification

The expression of quantification in Japanese and several Asian languages does not quite fit the mould of D-quantification or A-quantification. In these languages so-called indeterminate pronouns (Kuroda 1965) acquire existential, quantificational or interrogative force in the presence of certain particles (or by binding from covert operators, if the language in question lacks particles). (The term we will use, ‘indeterminate-based quantification’, comes from Gill et al. 2006.)

The key ingredient to this mode of quantification is provided by indeterminate pronouns, whose interpretation varies according to syntactic context. In some languages (as in Japanese or Bengali) existential, universal or interrogative readings are marked by specialised particles; other
languages, such as Chinese, lack particles altogether (cf. among others Watanabe 2004 for a typology). Particle + pronoun combinations can be local (Bengali, Japanese) or non-local (Japanese). Concerning the contribution of the particles, some of them (in some languages) have been analysed as quantifiers, others have been analysed as concord markers, carriers of a feature to be checked with a covert operator.

Japanese indeterminate pronouns and particles (after Kratzer & Shimoyama 2002):

\[(8)\]
\[
\text{dare} \quad \text{nani} \quad \text{dono}
\]
\[\text{‘who’ ‘what’ ‘which’ (Det)}\]
\[
Q \text{ dare … } ka \quad \text{nani … } ka \quad \text{dono … } ka
\]
\[
\exists \text{ dare … } ka \quad \text{nani … } ka \quad \text{dono … } ka
\]
\[
\forall \text{ dare … } mo \quad \text{nani … } mo \quad \text{dono… } mo
\]

Perhaps the most influential analysis of indeterminate-based quantification has been proposed by Junko Shimoyama and Angelika Kratzer (Shimoyama 2001; Kratzer & Shimoyama 2002; Kratzer 2005, see also Ramchand 1997). According to them, indeterminates correspond to sets of Hamblin alternatives that are used to build sets of ordinary meanings for the constituents containing them. Alternative meanings of larger constituents are computed compositionally, by pointwise function application.

When the particles \(ka\) and \(mo\) are not local to an indeterminate, they are analysed as propositional operators over sets of alternative propositions. They reduce alternative sets to singletons, similarly to the way \(only\) reduces the Focus semantic value of its operand to a singleton in Rooth’s Alternative Semantics for Focus (Rooth 1985). Quantifying particles thus “associate” indirectly with indeterminates, again, similarly to indirect association with Focus in Alternative Semantics.

\[(9)\]
\[
[\text{Dono hon-o yonda} \quad \text{kodomo}-mo \quad \text{yoku nemutta}
\]
\[
\text{which book-ACC read child-MO well slept}
\]
\[
\text{‘For every book } x, \text{ the child who read } x \text{ slept well.’} \cong \text{ ‘Every child who read a book from the set of alternative books slept well.’}
\]

In (9) \(mo\) operates on a set of alternative properties of the form \(child \ who \ read \ book \ x\), yielding universal quantification over children.

Similarly, in (10) the output is (equivalent to) universal quantification over teachers, even though the indeterminate pronoun \(dono\) combines with \(gakusei-ga \ ‘student-NOM’\).
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(10) [[Dono gakusei-ga syootaisita sensei]-mo odotta
 which student-NOM invited teacher-mo danced
 ‘For every student $x$ the teacher $x$ had invited danced.’ $\equiv$
 ‘Every teacher invited by some student (from among alternative students) danced.’
 – alternatives are exhausted –

According to Kratzer and Shimoyama, long-distance Hamblin quantification over alternatives is characterised by the following properties:

1. It is non-local; what happens in fact is the reduction of the set of alternatives to a singleton; it is not binding in the logic textbook sense.

2. It is not sensitive to syntactic islands: an operator-particle can “associate” with an indeterminate across syntactic islands.

3. It appears to be unselective: one operator “discharges” all unreduced alternatives within its domain.

4. Scope is frozen; scope is determined by the locus of the operator.

5. Intervention effects or crossing dependencies are predicted to be excluded: an operator cannot access alternatives in the domain of another, more deeply embedded operator.

Local pronoun + particle combinations

Kratzer and Shimoyama have extended a Hamblin analysis of quantification to “local” particle + pronoun combinations in European languages. Their main example is German irgendein ‘some $P$ or other’, an epistemic determiner in the sense of Jayez & Tovena (2006): The identity of an irgendein-referent is unknown or irrelevant. In certain contexts irgendein can have a Free Choice construal; this reading, as Kratzer convincingly argues, is an implicature. This construal aside, irgendein is an existential expression that lacks the quantificational variability exhibited by plain indefinites or bare plurals. Even though it doesn’t exhibit quantificational variability, Kratzer shows that irgendein is best analysed as an indefinite in the Heim & Kamp tradition (Heim 1982; Kamp 1981), viz., as contributing a free variable that needs to be “bound” by a covert existential operator (for instance, by the existential quantifier contained in the entry of must).\(^2\)

\(^2\) Kratzer’s analysis is cast in a Hamblin semantics, so indefinites in fact contribute sets of active, undischarged alternatives, and are not bound by quantifiers in the tra-
a. Mary musste irgend-\textit{einen} Arzt heiraten

\textit{Mary had-to irgend-one-ACC doctor marry-INF}

\textit{Wide scope muss: ‘Mary had to marry some doctor or other.’}

\textit{(Any doctor was a permitted option)}

b. \textit{(Muss + [3] (Mary irgend-\textit{einen} Arzt heiraten))}

According to Kratzer, the particle \textit{irgend-} can be regarded as a concord marker: It has no quantificational force of its own, it merely signals that a free variable is to be bound, or an active alternative needs to be discharged. In syntactic terms this translates into a particular feature geometry: \textit{irgend-} is said to carry an uninterpretable feature that needs to be checked against the interpretable feature carried by an operator. (See also Biberauer & Roberts 2011 for a similar model of the syntax–semantics interface.)

Extrapolating from the case of \textit{irgend-}, Kratzer proposes that particle + indeterminate combinations in European languages uniformly carry an uninterpretable feature, and that quantificational force resides in (possibly covert) operators distinct from the determiners/particles themselves.

1.2.3. Correlatives

Quantification can often be expressed indirectly, via grammatical constructions (cf. Partee 1995 among many other references). For the purposes of this paper one construction is relevant: correlatives. Very roughly, correlatives resemble free relatives, with some differences: they typically occur clause-initially, they can introduce several relative expressions, and at least one relative expression has a so-called correlate (typically, a demonstrative) in the matrix (in Hungarian the correlate may be covert). (For details the reader is referred to Lipták 2009a; landmark semantic analyses are Srivastav 1991 or Dayal 1995.)

(12) \textit{(frater Rufen) Valam\text{\text}ýkoron valakytewl híywatattýkuala}

\textit{brother Rufen VALA-what-when VALA-who-ABL call-PASS.3SG-PAST}

\textit{… zauanak kesedelmeuel ewtet hýuonak feleula}

\textit{word-POSS.3SG-DAT delay-POSS.3SG-INSTR he-ACC caller-DAT answer-PAST}

‘(brother Rufen) whenever, whoever would address him, he would reply to him haltingly’

\cite{JokaiC2009}
Sentence (12) is an example of an OH correlative: the correlative clause precedes the matrix, it contains two relative expressions and a definite correlate in the matrix (őt hívónak ‘the person addressing on him’). (12) conveys universal quantification over times and persons who addressed brother Rufen, and the main assertion is that at all times, for all persons, brother Rufen was slow to reply.

Correlatives are relevant for the study of OH not only for expressing maximal (unique) or universal readings: from example (13) it can be concluded that in Old Hungarian correlatives “interfered” with tripartite quantificational structures. (In addition, correlative structures are highly relevant for the diachronic study of Hungarian indefinites.)

In our work on OH quantification we rely on those analyses that take correlatives to correspond to conditionals (Andrews 1985, see also discussion in Lipták 2009b), and where the maximality/uniqueness effect is derived from a covert maximality operator (as in Brașoveanu 2008). In addition, in future work we would like to build on the dynamic analyses of Bittner (2001), Brașoveanu (2008), and Brașoveanu (2012) where the relation between the relative pronoun and its matrix correlate is a special case of discourse anaphora (see also Belyaev & Haug 2014 for a dynamic–diachronic analysis of correlatives).

2. The expression of universal/maximal readings in Old Hungarian

This section provides an inventory of expressions and syntactic structures conveying universal or maximal readings in Old Hungarian. Structural Focus and csak ‘only’ will have to be omitted from this inventory: at this stage of research little is known about their behaviour in OH.

2.1. An inventory

2.1.1. A-quantifiers: suffixes, reduplication, floating quantifiers

Keed

The Old Hungarian suffix -keed was an A-quantifier. Its Modern Hungarian descendant is the distributive suffix -ként. In Modern Hungarian -ként,
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-(n)ta/-(n)te are more like frequency markers. With temporal expressions they indicate the time span between two occurrences of the same type of event. With nominal expressions -ként yields the granularity of distributivity. (In (14) below naponta ‘daily’, kéthetente ‘biweekly’, időnként ‘from time to time’ are rate phrases in the terminology of Csirmaz & Szabolcsi 2012.)

(14) a. Vegyen be naponta három tabletát.
   ‘You should take three tablets a day.’

b. Ez a lap kéthetente jelenik meg.
   ‘This journal appears biweekly’

c. Péter időnként elkésik.
   ‘From time to time, Peter is late.’

(15) a. A katonák fejenként száz golyót kaptak.
   ‘The soldiers were handed one hundred bullets each.’

b. Ebben a faluban családonként van két tehén és tíz juh
   ‘In this village there are two cows and ten sheep per family.’

Old Hungarian -keed as an A-quantifier can be regarded as a vestige of the SOV, head-final period of Hungarian: an operator head (the suffix) is preceded by a ‘contentful’ morpheme (the nominal or numeral root).

In OH codices the contribution of -keed varied according to the denotation type of its nominal. When combined with individual-denoting nouns or numerals, -keed had the role of a frequency marker, as in Modern Hungarian.

In (16) e génké t ‘one by one’ combines with floating mind ‘all’. It may serve to stress that each of the devil’s daughters is married off richly, i.e., it is not the case that they receive a large dowry only as a group.

(16) Heten vadnak, Mel’eket, az 9 At’ok az ordog
    seven-ADV are which-PL-ACC the she father-POSS.3PL the devil
    mynd e génké t kazdagon el hazasyta
    all one-DIST richly away marries
    ‘They (the daughters of cupidty) are seven in number, all of whom their father the devil marries off generously, one by one.’ (Székelyudvarhely C., 95r–v)
With temporal expressions -keed could be a universal quantifier, and this is quite different from its present-day use as a frequency marker. A comparison of present-day időnként ‘from time to time’ and Old Hungarian koronkeed ‘always’ can illustrate this difference. Although the two expressions are morphologically similar (idő-nként is ‘time-DIST’ and koron-keed is ‘time-DIST’ or ‘age-DIST’), időn-ként is a plural existential, whereas subsequent examples will show that koron-keed is comparable to English always. Naponkeed ‘day-DIST’ could also mean the generalised quantifier ‘every day’ (instead of the frequency marker ‘daily’).

In (17) naponkeed presumably combines with with the manner adverb nagy gőjenjerewseggel ‘with great pleasure’: ‘And he dwelt there, and each day he felt great pleasure’. This is a frequency reading for naponkeed. Naponkeed could also mean ‘incessantly’, if the manner adverb nagy gőjenjerewseggel ‘with great pleasure’ is construed as one state description whose time span includes the domain of every day. (This is similar to the ambiguity of the English sentence John was ill every day last week.)

(17) Es lakozyk wala naponkeed nagy gőjenjerewseggel
And dwell PAST day-DIST great pleasure-INSTR
‘And he dwelt (there) with great pleasure every day.’ (Érsekújvár C., 5r)

Temporal expressions with -keed could enter scope interactions: in (18) the right scope order is $\forall > \circ$ rather than $\circ > \forall$.

(18) hogy ky naponkeed eshetel wgyan azon korsagban
that who day-DIST fall-POSS-2SG same that illness-INE
‘Every day it is possible for you to come down with the same illness.’ (Érsekújvár C., 211vb)

(wegan azon korsag ‘the same malady’ is anaphoric to an explicitly mentioned disease name)

Sentence (18) does not have the reading ‘It is possible for you to fall ill (and recover) daily’. In its original context, (18) could be paraphrased as follows: ‘Someone has fallen ill with a certain disease, and every day, any day, you too might contract that disease.’

In Modern Hungarian koronként means ‘from period to period’, ‘from one age/period to another’. In Old Hungarian koronkeed was an adverbial quantifier corresponding to English always or Modern Hungarian mindig. (Kor is a common noun meaning ‘age’, ‘period’, ‘era’, ‘time’, or a suffix paraphrasable as English temporal at.)

With state descriptions koronkeed meant ‘incessantly’ (similarly to English always), as seen in (19):
"But you've always been self-important, ever since I've known you."

(Jordánszky C., 220)

The Restrictor of koronkeed was usually covert, and could (presumably) be recovered by pragmatic means (via association with Focus or association with presuppositions, or knowledge shared between discourse participants). This is supported by examples like (20). In this case the parallel syntax of the two clauses facilitates the reconstruction of the Restrictor–Nuclear Scope division.

(20) koronkeed bykath aldozyeek hẅ byneyerth es age-DIST bull-ACC sacrifice-IMP.3SG he sin-poss.3SG.PL-SUBL and kosth ystemnek dyczereetyre ram-ACC god-DAT praise-poss.3SG-SUBL

‘He (Aaron) should always sacrifice a bull for his sins, and a ram to praise God’

(Jordánszky C., 99)

‘Whenever Aaron sacrifices something for his sins it should be a bull, and whenever he sacrifices something in praise of God, it should be a ram.’

‘Not at once’

The pluractional expression szeruel, szerével ‘in good order’, ‘successively’, ‘not at once’ can also be regarded as an A-quantifier of sorts.

(21) zereuel mỳnd egýmasvtan. order-poss.3SG-INSTR all each-other-after mỳnden gondolatyt meg monda every thought-poss.3SG.PL-ACC PRT said-IMPF

‘She related every thought of the (other) nun, all in good order, one after the other.’

(St Margaret’s Legend, 59r)

In Modern Hungarian, the closest parallel is szerre-rendre ‘successively’, which is chiefly used in Eastern dialects.

Pronominal reduplication

The reduplicated pronoun ki-ki lit. ‘who-who’ was (and still is) a distributivity marker. We propose that preverbal, reduplicated ki-ki is a vestige of a period in the history of Hungarian when unattached indeterminate pronouns were bound by long-distance operators.
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In (22) *kinek kynek* ‘to each’ is a distributivity operator, and the complex DP *az alkolmas állapotba meel...* denotes a suitable state which takes into account the properties of each man to be resurrected.³

(22) *mindo* no k feel tamadnak az alkolmas állapotba:
    every-PL up surge-3PL the appropriate state-INE
    meel *kinek kynek* nezy o̗nno̗n termezettit:
    which who-DAT who-DAT regard-3SG own nature-POSS.3SG-ACC
    ‘Everyone will be resurrected in the appropriate state, which takes into account the nature of each.’ (Kazinczy C., 96v–97r)

In MH *ki-ki* has to bind a variable in its scope (Farkas 1997), and its domain is provided by context. Data from OH codices do not contradict these requirements.

In (22) the domain of *ki-ki* would be humanity as a whole. In fact, in this example the domain of *ki-ki* is dependent on that of the universal quantifier in the matrix. The attentive reader may have noted that (22) looks suspiciously like a case of requantification: given the universal quantifier in the matrix, *ki-ki* may as well be redundant. Although cases like (22) raise pressing questions concerning the nature of binding or the inherent quantificational force of operators like *ki-ki*, they have to be set aside for the time being.

In addition to plain *ki-ki* ‘who-who’, the codices also contain the combination (reduplicated) pronoun + *mind* ‘all’: *ki mind, ki-ki mind*. According to Vera Hegedűs (p.c.), *ki(-ki) mind* could have been a short-lived “experiment” to express ‘everybody’, ‘each person’. (In Old Hungarian DP *minden* could mean *everybody*, ‘each person’. In Modern Hungarian *everybody* is conveyed with the compound *minden-ki* lit. ‘every-who’.)

(23) a. …*ky mynd* el temethween ew elsew zylótteet
    who all away bury-PART he first born-POSS.3SG-ACC
    ‘having all buried their firstborn’ (Jordánszky C., 188)

³ Discussion in the text concerns the body people will be resurrected in: whether it will be as tall as their first, mortal body, whether it will inherit the flaws or distinguishing marks of the first body, and so on.
b. ky ky mind miwelködethe zerenth weǵón:
who who all deed-3SG according-to take-SBJV.3SG
awagh lot: awagh gonozth:
or good-ACC or evil-ACC
‘Each should partake according to his deeds, whether it be of good or evil.’
(Kazinczy C., 89v)

Floating mind ‘all’
The inventory of OH A-quantifiers included floating quantifiers. Old Hungarian floating mind ‘all’ has survived into Modern Hungarian, with some relatively recent sortal restrictions on its associate. In OH mind could combine with temporal or spatial expressions in a manner similar to English all the way. Neither minden ‘every’ nor egyminden ‘each and every one’ (to be discussed presently) had this property; in MH it is detectable in certain set phrases such as mind-addig ‘all the time until’ or mindhalálig ‘till death’.

(24) az ev kyaltassok mynd menyorzagiglan fel hallyk vala
the she cry-poss.3PL all heaven-TERM up hear-pass.3SG be-PAST
‘Their cries could be heard all the way to Heaven.’ (Margaret Legend, 41v)

According to the Historical-etymological dictionary of Hungarian (HEDH, Benkő 1967–1987), mind is composed of the pronoun mi ‘what’, a manner suffix -n (detectable in today’s mennyi ‘how much’), and a suffix -d, whose role is unclear. According to traditional diachronic analyses, mind was originally a so-called ‘generalised pronoun’ that originally meant ‘successively’, and later came to mean ‘all’. What is relevant for this paper is that mind is derived from an indeterminate pronoun, and that it is not a bleached and reanalysed (open class) lexical item. Instead, it appears to have been tailor-made as an operator.

The semantic properties of mind will receive some discussion in the following section, where they will be contrasted with those of minden ‘every’. (Bende-Farkas 2014a contains a fairly detailed analysis of mind, along with a comparison with minden ‘every’). Here we reproduce an example from the earliest extant Hungarian text, the Funeral Sermon and Prayer (FSP). The FSP contains several occurrences of mind, and by and large all of these behave similarly to Modern Hungarian mind, or English all.

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(25) Num heon muganec. ge mend w foianec halalut evec.
not only self-DAT but all he kin-POSS.3SG-DAT death-ACC eat-PST

(In the forbidden fruit) he ate death, not only for himself but for all his kin.’ (FSP)

Old Hungarian floating egyminden ‘each’

In Modern Hungarian floating (universal) quantifiers are confined to mind ‘all’ and its synonyms. Modern Hungarian has no floating quantifier comparable to English each. Old Hungarian had a short-lived floating quantifier comparable to each: egyminden(-ik) lit. ‘every (single) one (of them)’.

Egyminden was relatively frequent in the Vienna and Munich codices (15th century). It could be a floating quantifier, but, unlike floating mind ‘all’, it was inflected for case, and participated in scope interactions in a manner similar to the D-quantifier minden ‘every’, including configurations with the format ∨ ∼ ¬ (cf. example (52b) in section 3.3). Unlike mind, it did not co-occur with collective or reciprocal expressions, nor did it ‘associate’ with temporal or spatial expressions in the manner typical for mind (as seen in (24)). That is to say, the morphology and the scopal behaviour of egyminden appear to indicate that it may well have been a D-quantifier disguised as an A-quantifier.

(26) a. Es ad oñèkic eg mendennèc fu’uet a. mèzo
and gives them one every-DAT grass-ACC the meadow-INE

‘And he gave them, to each of them, grass in the meadow.’ (Vienna C., 308)

b. Ime èn adoc èmberekèt egmendent o’fenèc
lo I give-1SG man-PL-ACC one-every-ACC he brother-POSS.3SG-DAT
kèzebè hand-POSS.3SG-ILL

‘And lo, I hand over people, each and every one, into the hands of his brother.’

(Vienna C., 310)

c. a maradeki meģmariac egmenden o
the remainder-POSS.3SG.PL PRT-bite-3PL one-every he
fèlenèc husat
brother-POSS.3SG-DAT flesh-POSS.3SG-ACC

‘the remainder/the survivors will bite, every one of them, the flesh of their brethren’

(Vienna C., 311)

2.1.2. Bare nominals

Bare nouns in Old Hungarian could have universal/generic construals. In (27), for instance, the noun ember ‘man’ has a generic/kind level construal (cf. Egedi 2013).
(27) **ember, ez velagi morhat ey nappa keresi,**
man the world-ADJ.SFX riches-ACC night day-TRANSL seek-3SG
el iy az halal, es mind el vező őtőle
away come-3.SG the death and all away take-DEF0.3SG ABL-3SG
‘man pursues worldly riches night and day, but up comes death and takes them all away from him’
(Bod C., 4v)

2.1.3. Correlatives

Old Hungarian (just like Modern Hungarian) had free relatives/correlatives. The most conspicuous difference between Old Hungarian and Modern Hungarian is that in Old Hungarian the combination *vala* + pronoun could be used as a relative pronoun (chiefly in free relatives/correlatives, occasionally also in “plain” relative clauses).

Members of the *vala*-series in Modern Hungarian are positive polarity indefinites (with some exceptions). In Old Hungarian they were DPs, determiners or relative pronouns, with varying properties. As DPs/determiners they could scope under negation (as in example (4) on page 226), and could have Free Choice construals. As relative pronouns they typically occurred in correlatives expressing generalisations, and had universal or FC construals, as shown in (28) below. Episodic correlatives with a *vala*-pronoun, such as (29) below, are extremely rare.5

(28) a. **vala-my zylendyky hym nemzeth, azth**
    VALA-what be-born-FUT.3SG male issue that-ACC
    koronkeed wr ystemek aldozzad
    age-DIST lord god-DAT sacrifice-IMP.2SG
    ‘whatever male issue is born, that should always be sacrificed to God’
    (Jordánszky C., 233)

b. **vala-ki iste(n)nec zolgal orzagl vgy mint orozlan**
    VALA-who god-DAT serves reigns so like lion
    ‘He who serves God reigns like a lion.’
    (Qui servuit deo regnat vt leo – Latin original in the codex)

5 It is highly likely that the existential/universal ambiguity of today’s *valamennyi* lit. ‘some amount of’ and *valahányszor* lit. ‘on a number of occasions’ can be traced back to OH maximal readings in correlative constructions. (On *valamennyi* cf. the brief discussion in Csirmaz & Szabolcsi 2012, or Haspelmath 1997 for a different hypothesis on the origins its ambiguity.)
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c. \textbf{vala} hol va\c{g}on az the keenczed. \textbf{ott} va\c{g}yon az
   VALA where is the you treasure-POSS.2SG there is the
   the z\textsc{\i}wed ees.
you heart-POSS.2SG also
   ‘(The place) where you keep your treasure is also where your heart is.’
   (Érdy C., 136a)

The sentences in (28) show correlative structures with \textit{vala}-expressions as relative pronouns (MH would employ relative pronouns such as \textit{ami}, \textit{aki} ‘what’, ‘who’). (28a) and (28b) have a universal construal, saying that \textit{all} male issue have to be sacrificed, or that \textit{everyone} who serves God reigns like a lion. (28c) has a Free Choice reading: there is a unique location where treasure is stored, and, wherever that place might be, the addressee’s heart can also be found there. These sentences lend themselves to a conditional analysis of correlatives: (28b) can be taken to be a donkey sentence in disguise, saying that if someone serves God, he or she will reign like a lion.

Sentence (29) is one of the very few instances of episodic \textit{vala}-correlatives in OH codices. The speaker is Judas, and the unique person he is going to kiss is Jesus. Even such a sentence can be construed as a conditional: ‘If I kiss someone, he will be the one you are looking for, and you should detain him’.

(29) \textbf{Valakit} megapolandoc \textsc{\i} az fogiatoc \textsc{\i}t\textsc{\i}
   VALA-who-ACC PRT-kiss-FUT.1SG he that detain-IMP.2SG he-ACC
   ‘The one I am going to kiss, he will be the one; detain him.’ (Munich C., 33rb)

Correlatives are relevant for the current discussion for two reasons: (i) It is a puzzle how expressions from the \textit{VALA}-series could be plain indefinites and could also occur in structures conveying maximality/universality. (It was typical for the same codex to contain \textit{vala}-expressions in both roles, cf. a sample of data and discussion in Bende-Farkas 2014b.) (ii) The nature of the relationship between the relative pronoun and its matrix correlate becomes relevant when correlatives are seen to interact with well-behaved, textbook quantifiers such as \textit{minden} ‘every’. (A case in point is (13); a handful of similar cases will be discussed in section 3.4.)

2.1.4. Indeterminate pronouns

Old Hungarian codices contain a handful of examples where bare pronouns (in non-interrogative, non-relative environments) are bound long-distance by an operator.

Bare pronouns could be bound under negation:
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(30) Es tehat latek tewz langott menbelew leřtewtt…
and so saw-1SG fire flame-ACC heaven-ELA descend-PART-ACC
de az egyebekrewl nem tudok mÿtt
but the other-PL-DEL not know-SG1 what-ACC
‘I saw a flame descending from Heaven … but I know nothing about the rest.’
(Jókai C., 45)

In (30) mÿtt ‘what’ is bound by negation. From syntactic context it is clear that its clause is not an embedded question (it means ‘I know nothing’ and not ‘I don’t know what to say’).

Bare pronouns could also occur in the antecedent of a conditional. In these cases they had a universal interpretation. So, a sentence like (31) was a donkey sentence. The universal construal of ky ‘who’ followed from the semantics of the conditional: If someone asks φ then ψ is logically equivalent to For every x it holds that if x asks φ then ψ.6

(31) Ha ky kerdenee honnan volt az. Azzonywnk
if who ask-COND.3SG where-from was that lady-POSS.1PL
marianak hagy semy terheet nehessegeet nem zenwette
Mary-DAT that none burden-ACC difficulty-ACC not suffered
leygen Reea felelnek doctorok mondwan…
be-SBJV.3SG SUB-3SG reply-PL doctors say-PART
‘Should someone ask how come that Our Lady Mary had no difficulty (in giving birth) learned men reply saying...’
(Érdy C., 44a)

(32) Ha kedeeg my kewessee annal nagyobot zolt
if CONJ what little-TRANS that-ADE bigger-ACC speak-PST.3SG
volna. hyzóm hagy mind ez vylaag sem
COND believe-1SG that all this world neither
foghatta volna meg
catch-POSSIB-PERF.3SG be-COND PRT
‘And if he (St John) had spoken somewhat louder/any louder I believe that not even the whole wide world could have grasped it.’
(Érdy C., 54a)

Sentence (32) is arguably also a donkey sentence: the pronoun my ‘what’ acquires a universal construal under ha ‘if’: ‘For every measure x larger

6 If ψ contains no free occurrence of x, the equivalence (i) holds in classical logic. In dynamic frameworks the equivalence holds even if ψ contains free occurrences of x (classic references are Kamp & Reyle 1993 or Groenendijk & Stokhof 1991).

\[(\exists x.\varphi) \rightarrow \psi \equiv \forall x.(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)\]
than the original loudness (of St John’s speaking out in Revelations) it holds that the world could not have grasped John’s message’.

In examples like the above we propose that the indeterminate was bound by a covert existential operator within its clause (and under negation). The universal interpretation in (31) and (32) follows from the semantics of the conditional.

The presence of such indeterminate pronouns can be explained, we claim, if we take them to be the remnants of an earlier period when free indeterminate pronouns could be bound long-distance by propositional operators. The refurbished, reduplicated pronoun ki-ki ‘who-who’ can also be taken as a survivor of that period. The case of ki-ki as the remainder of an earlier system of bare indeterminates is made stronger by the fact that no other indeterminates are used in such a manner: Pronoun reduplication yielding a distributive operator is confined to ki. (All other combinations are ungrammatical in MH, and are unattested in OH records.)

Further (indirect) evidence for the presence bare indeterminates in OH comes from sentence-initial bare pronouns in a marked construction involving discourse parallelism. In such constructions they have an existential-partitive construal comparable to stressed English *some*:

(33) Az előadás után ki hazament, ki pedig betért egy kocs mába.
the lecture after who home-went who and in-went a pub-INE
‘After the lecture some went home, and some went to a pub.’

(34) kỳ kezeeÿt kỳ edes zemeÿt.
who hand-POSS.3SG.PL-ACC who sweet eye-POSS.3SG.PL-ACC
zaÿaat orczayaat apolgattÿaak vala
mouth-POSS.3SG-ACC cheek-POSS.3SG-ACC kiss-PST-3PL PAST
nagÿ sÿrassal.
great crying-INSTR
‘Some were kissing his hands, some were kissing his sweet eyes, mouth and cheeks amidst great sobbing.’

(Érdy C., 248a)

Another remainder of the indeterminate era could be the superlative construction *me-n-től ...-bb*, where *-bb* is the suffix for comparatives, ablative *-től* corresponds to *than*, and *mi* is indeterminate ‘what’ (Katalin Gugán, p.c.), which can be taken to be bound by a covert universal quantifier. (That is, the superlative was a compositional combination of the comparative plus a universal quantifier: being ‘the best’ meaning ‘better than everything/anything’. The universal quantifier could be overt, with only the indeterminate visible on the surface.)
Ágnes Bende-Farkas

(35) a. Ez ozlopának féle méntől isb aránióból vala
the column-DAT head-POSS.3SG what-ABL good-CMPR gold-ELA was
‘The capital of the column was made of gold of the best (purest) quality.’
(Vienna C., 122)

b. Ez az élő parácolat & méntől nagib
this the first commandment and what-ABL great-CMPR
‘This is the first commandment, and it is the most important one.’
(Munich C., 28rb)

2.1.5. D-quantifiers: minden and its ilk

*Minden* is the first strong D-quantifier in OH records. It was first attested in the *Königsberg Fragment and Ribbons* (KFR, ca 1350), and in the *Jókai Codex* (the first surviving Hungarian book; between 1372 and 1448).

(36) menel sarwldel mendenedett kyket
go-IMP.2SG-away and-sell-IMP.2SG-away everything-POSS.2SG-ACC who-PL-ACC
vallaz esagyad zegenekec
own-2SG and give-IMP.2SG poor-PL-DAT
‘go forth and sell everything you own and give it to the poor’
(Jókai C., 6)

The *Jókai Codex* also contains a number of derivatives to *minden*: *minden-eut* (‘everywhere’, -t is a locative suffix), *minden-kor* (‘at all times’, -kor is a temporal suffix), *mindeneesteuel* ‘completely’. Later derivatives also employ indeterminates: *minden-hol* lit. ‘every-where’, and *minden-ha* lit. ‘every-when’. According to Benkő (1967–1987), *minden* is itself derived from *mind* ‘all’. The outermost suffix -n can be identified as the suffix that converts cardinality expressions and quantifiers into groups with that cardinality (or groups having the property of being maximal).

2.1.6. Universal Free Choice items

To complete the inventory of Old Hungarian expressions conveying maximality, universal Free Choice items need to be mentioned. Free Choice readings were conveyed by the complexes *akár* + pronoun, *vala* + pronoun. *Akár* + pronoun expressions were mostly confined to a sentence-initial operator position, and usually corresponded to what has been termed as supplementary *any* in the sense of Horn (2000). Sentence-internal, syntactically “integrated” *akár*-expressions appear sporadically during the first part of the 16th century.

7 According to Horn, the term was originally used in Jennings (1994).
Supplementary *any*, English examples from Horn (2000, 178, (83b–c)):

(37) a. Suddenly she hoped that someone, *anyone* – man or woman – would see her (Wambaugh)

b. I am standing here until a policeman, *any* policeman turns up.

Supplementary *akár*- in OH:

(38) a. Sem egy embernek myatta meeg **akar mely** nagy
neither one man-DAT through-POSS.3G yet AKÁR which great
zent embernek myatta sem val’thathyk vala meg
saint man-DAT through-POSS.3SG neither redeem-PASS-3SG PAST PRT
‘He cannot be redeemed on account of no man, however great and holy.’

‘Redemption is not possible through (the offices of) one man, however great and holy that man should be.’

b. ha te minden te io myelkevetydet **akar mely**
if you every you good deed-POSS.3G.PL-ACC AKÁR which
io myelkevetydet myndenkoron felemel tezed...
good deed-POSS.3G.PL-ACC every-time-LOC fear-INSTR do-2SG
ezek jegyej hog nalad vagyon az felemnek ayandoka
these sign-POSS.3G.PL that ADE-2SG is the fear-DAT gift-POSS.3G
‘If you perform every good deed, any good deed of yours with trepidation … these are the signs that you have the gift of fear.’

(*Cornides C., 75v*)

*Minden* itself could convey a universal FC reading with the postposition *nélkül* ‘without’, as seen in (39). In addition, *vala* + pronoun combinations often conveyed FC construals, as seen in (40). *Vala*-DPs were in fact ordinary indefinites, and it has been argued in Bende-Farkas (2013) and Bende-Farkas (2014b) that their FC reading was an implicature. The FC construal of relative pronouns with *vala* (seen in examples such (28b) or (28c)) was a consequence of the underlying correlative-conditional structure.

Free choice *minden* ‘every’:

(39) De zenth pether azonnal fel alvan **mynen** feelelé melkyl
but Saint Peter immediately up stand-PART every fear-without
Es retthegeesmelkyl nagy fel zowal monda...
and trepidation-without great loud word-INSTR said
‘But Saint Peter was instantly on his feet and said loudly, without any fear or trepidation...’

(*Érsekújvár C., 80va*)
Free choice *valami* ‘something’:

(40) De zent fferencz ewnek yewueset
but Saint Francis he-DAT-3SG coming-POSS.3SG-ACC
yogondolatyat es kysalasat annak
good-thought-POSS.3SG-ACC and strife-POSS.3G-ACC that-DAT
elewtt megu tuda ewelkeben mỳ elewtt
before-POSS.3SG PRT knew-3SG he-soul-INE what before
**valamỳt** nekỳ mondott uolna
VALA-what-ACC he-DAT said COND
‘But Saint Francis had guessed in his mind his coming, his good thoughts and his strife, before he had told him anything’ (Jókai C., 77)

In sum, Old Hungarian had one specialised Free Choice item, which at the time was confined mostly to supplementary *any*. “Regular” free choice construals were conveyed by *vala*-expressions and occasionally by *minden* ‘every’.

2.2. Interim summary

The inventory presented in the preceding subsection shows a varied landscape of expressions conveying universal or maximal readings. For the purposes of this paper A-quantifiers, indeterminates and D-quantifiers are especially relevant.

Combining observations from the data and what is known about the history of OH and Proto-Hungarian, viz., the transition from an SOV, head-final language to a discourse configurational language with a rich left periphery (cf. É. Kiss 2014b), we can formulate the hypothesis that in the period(s) preceding written records A-quantifiers were predominant.

Generalising from the morphosyntactic makeup of expressions containing distributive suffixes like *-keed*, we can propose that generalised quantifiers comparable to *koronkeed* ‘always’ contained a word-final operator suffix, attached to a content word. (Pluractional *szer-re* ‘successively’ also follows this pattern, and so does *őrók-ké* lit. ‘eternal-TRANSL’ ‘for-ever’.)
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(41) koronkeed 'always'

\[
\text{NP} \quad \text{Op} \\
\text{kor} \quad -n \quad -keed
\]

In fact, the internal composition of mind ‘all’ or minden ‘every’ also supports this conjecture, in that mind, minden consist in an indeterminate without quantificational force of its own, followed by a suffix cluster that could be analysed as conveying “logical” content.

(42) mind ‘all’

\[
\text{NP} \quad \text{Op} \\
\text{mi} \quad -n \quad -d
\]

(43) minden ‘every’

\[
\text{NP} \quad \text{Op_1} \quad \text{Op_2} \\
\text{mi} \quad -n \quad -d
\]

In addition, during earlier stages of Hungarian, quantificational effects could be achieved by long-distance binding of indeterminate pronouns.

These hypotheses entail that D-quantification (at least in its present form, during its current cycle) was a relatively recent development at the time of the first extant written records. Determiners in OH records belong to the left periphery of the DP, so, clearly, the syntactic makeup of DPs containing them is head-first. Thus the transition from affixal quantification to D-quantification in Hungarian can be seen as a change from the preponderence of structures like (41) to left peripheric D-quantification schematised in (44).

Further evidence for the relative lateness of D-quantification will come from the properties exhibited by OH indefinite series of the form particle + indeterminate (section 3.1), and also from a handful of quirky data involving minden, to be presented in section 3.4.

(44) minden könyv ‘every book’

\[
\text{NumP/QP} \quad \text{NP} \\
\text{minden} \quad \text{könyv}
\]
3. Discussing *minden*

The main focus of this section is OH *minden* ‘every’. In section 3.1 we aim to show that it did not fit well in the paradigm of particle + indeterminate complexes of OH. In sections 3.2 and 3.3 we present those properties of *minden* that lend it the appearance of a prototypical universal D-quantifier. In section 3.4 we present borderline cases from OH codices, which we take to indicate that (i) *minden* could have spent some time as a modifier meaning ‘full’, ‘complete’, (ii) and that variable binding in OH could interact with discourse anaphora (when correlatives appeared to be embedded under *minden*). To conclude this section we ‘conjoin’ findings from section 3.1 and sections 3.2–3.3, in order to argue that (unlike indefinite particle + indeterminate complexes) OH *minden* was a quantifier in its own right, viz., it carried its own interpretable feature.

3.1. Prelude: *minden* and weak determiners

*Minden* was not the only D-quantifier in OH. Several weak DPs (including particle + indeterminate combinations) were attested as early as the *Jókai Codex*:

(45) a. belnemen varasba ezkeppen mezeytelenewl *valamyt*
   into-go-PART town-ILL this-like naked-ly VALA-what-ACC
   preach-IMP.2SG people-DAT
   ‘as you go into town preach something to the people, naked as you are’
   (Jókai C., 56–57)

b. Es *nemy* zakadozt gyekenek ualanak alattak
   and NÉ-what tattered rushes were under-3PL
   ‘And they had some tattered straw mats under them.’
   (Jókai C., 86)

The reader may note that many OH weak DPs consist in particle + indeterminate combinations. *Minden* could occasionally be combined with indeterminate pronouns, but its paradigm was severely defective. The following table presents the main particle + indeterminate paradigms in Old Hungarian. *Né*-marked specificity (scopal or epistemic), *se-* n-words, *akár*-FC items, and *vala*- appeared with plain indefinites, which in OH tended to appear in a syntactically or logically subordinate position.
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Before zooming in on minden, a few remarks on OH particle + indeterminate combinations are in order: Relative pronouns (not shown here) were undergoing a change, from bare pronouns to several particle + pronoun combinations (cf. Bácskai-Atkári & Dékány 2014). Towards the end of the OH period akár-expressions started to appear sentence-internally, instead of heading subordinate clauses introducing supplementary any. Vala-indefinites could range in meaning anywhere from specificity to NPI readings. In short, codices reflect a certain malleability, which can be taken as symptomatic for the stabilisation/reinforcement of the left periphery in DP structure.

There are several morphosyntactic properties that single out minden in the system outlined in (46): minden as a determiner could freely combine with NPs, whereas akár-, vala, etc. could not do so on their own. (Certain complexes such as vala-ki, né-mi could also be determiners. Sentence (45b) contains in fact the determiner némi ‘some’. Members of the akár- and vala-series also served as relative pronouns; minden (or mind ‘all’) is not attested as a relative pronoun. Minden could combine with (case-marking) suffixes such as locative -tt. (Also, it could combine with temporal -kor without the mediation of the pronoun mi ‘what’.)

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The particles that served to build indefinites were markedly different from *minden*, in the following respect: on their own they did not convey the requisite meaning (with the exception of *se-*), which goes back to *sem* ‘neither’, a ‘fusion’ of *is* ‘and’, ‘too’ and *nem* ‘not’, cf. Gugán 2012 or É. Kiss 2014b). *Vala* was originally a non-finite form of *lenni* ‘to be’, *akár* goes back to the verb *akar* ‘want’ (presumably via the disjunction *akár* ‘either’ or the minimaliser *akár csak* ‘at least’, ‘even’), whereas the specificity marker *né* goes back to an earlier and long since recycled form of negation (Gugán 2012). To repeat, *minden* on its own was sufficient to convey universal quantification, whereas the particles combining with indeterminates (with the possible exception of negative *se-* had no comparable contribution of their own, viz., they did not originate in operators having existential or FC meanings of their own.

In addition, *minden* already consisted of an indeterminate (*mi* ‘what’) and a cluster of suffixes. The question is to what extent speakers of OH recognised the indeterminate in *minden* or whether they took it as an unanalysed whole.

### 3.2. Expected properties

This subsection lists those properties of OH *minden* ‘every’ that are expected under the assumption/expectation that it was a well-behaved D-quantifier: it could bind variables locally, its scope was flexible within island boundaries, i.e., it could be raised covertly or overtly. It came with a tripartite structure, and it was not compatible with collective or reciprocal expressions (e.g., with collective verbs, or with *együtt* ‘together’).

**Binding:** *minden* could bind variables in its Nuclear Scope.

(47)  

\[
\text{menden} \text{ test ne gyczewllewiskyek ew lelkeben}
\]

\[
\text{every body not glorify(-REFL-)SBJV.3SG he soul-POSS.3SG-INE}
\]

‘Nobody should glorify his soul.’

(É. Kiss 2014b)

(48)  

\[
\text{menden helel nen lelkeben}
\]

\[
\text{everywhere many he soul-POSS.3SG-INE}
\]

‘For everybody it holds that he is not to praise his own soul.’

In (47), the *minden*-DP is at the left periphery of the sentence; we take this word order fact to indicate that *minden*-DPs could be raised from their postverbal base position.

The scope of *minden* was flexible. In addition to example (5), sentence (48) presents a fresh example, where *menden helel* ‘everywhere’ outscopes the subject quantifier *sokan* ‘many’.
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(48) \textbf{Sokan} halnac meg \textit{menden} hêlen

\begin{tabular}{ll}
\text{Many-ADV die-3PL PRT every place-SUP} & \\
\text{‘Many are dying/die everywhere.’} & (Vienna C., 228)
\end{tabular}

‘Everywhere many are dying/die.’

\textit{Minden, mind}, and collectivity: as regards compatibility with collective or reciprocal meanings, \textit{menden} and \textit{mind} have been found to parallel English \textit{every} and \textit{all}, respectively.

Incompatibility with collective or reciprocal expressions: No examples have been found of \textit{menden} in sentences with collective verbs (Hungarian counterparts of ‘gather’, ‘meet’, ‘surround’). Likewise, no examples have been attested with collectivity markers or reciprocals in the Nuclear Scope of \textit{menden}. Several examples have been found with \textit{mind} ‘all’, however. This, we think is telling: OH \textit{mind} was positively compatible with such expressions, and, from the absence of data we can tentatively deduce that OH \textit{menden} was not.

(49) a. \textit{Tehat} \textit{mind} az zento̗k e̗getombe mondanak: Ez az zyz

\begin{tabular}{ll}
\text{Thus all the saint-PL together say-PL3 This the virgin} & \\
\text{‘Thus all the saints said together: This is the virgin.’} & (Kazinczy C., 9v)
\end{tabular}

b. \textit{Tehat ime az hagot napra es helre \textit{mind} ozeug gelenek:}

\begin{tabular}{ll}
\text{Thus lo the leave-PART day-SUB and place-SUB all together gather-IMP-3PL} & \\
\text{‘Thus they all assembled on the appointed day, at the appointed place.’} & (Kazinczy C., 61r)
\end{tabular}

\textit{Mind} and reciprocals (there are no comparable data with \textit{menden}):

(50) \textit{kyk \textit{mind} eleygben yonek e̗g maasnak es}

\begin{tabular}{ll}
\text{who-PL all before-POS.3PL-INE come-3PL one other-DAT and} & \\
\text{wg tiztolyk e̗g maasth} & \\
\text{that-way respect-3PL one other-ACC} & \\
\text{‘who all come forward to meet each other, and thus show respect toward each other’} & (Sándor C., 5v)
\end{tabular}

Similarly, no examples have been attested with distributivity markers in the Nuclear Scope of \textit{menden}. Examples with \textit{mind} abound (e.g., (16) in section 2.1.1). There are a handful of cases involving \textit{menden} and the distributivity operator \textit{ki-ki} that suspiciously look like requantification; since such cases do not \textbf{directly} affect the interpretation of \textit{menden} they remain a matter for further research.
As combinations (or the lack of them) with reciprocals and collective expressions show, OH *mind* and *minden* reflect the well-studied divergence one can see with English *all* and *every* (cf. among others Dowty 1987; Hoeksema 1996; Winter 2001, or Champollion 2010 for a more recent reference).

In addition, OH *minden* could bind its variables in the approved textbook fashion, and its scope was flexible. *Mind* on the other hand appeared more inclined toward anaphoric relations, and did not exhibit the scope interactions typical of *minden*. (This will be apparent from the comparison of examples (52) and (53) in the next subsection.)

### 3.3. Less expected, but still predictable properties

OH *minden* could be used as a purely logical tool, the grammar exploiting its properties as a logical constant.

In the codices *minden*-DPs could precede sentence negation, in a configuration $\forall \ldots \neg$, which was of course equivalent to $\neg \ldots \exists$. (As seen from (52b), *egmenden* lit. ‘one-every’ could also appear in this role, whereas *mind* did not. Sentence (53), with a similar surface syntax, conveys a different meaning.)

(52) a. *menden* titk nem léhetetlén tenéked
   every secret not impossible you-DAT
   ‘No secret is impossible before thee.’ (Vienna C., 136)
   Lit. ‘Every secret is not impossible before thee.’

b. *egmenden* gonozt ne gondollon ő baratt’a ellen
   one-every evil-ACC not think-IMP.3SG he friend-POSS.3SG against
   ‘No-one should think ill of his brethren.’ (Vienna C., 305)

c. *mynden* ydőben be ne mennyen az sanctuariomba, ...
   every time-INE in not go-IMP.3SG the sanctum-ILL
   hogh megh ne hallyon
   that PRT not die-IMP.3SG
   ‘(Aaron) should never enter the sanctum, lest he should die.’ (Jordánszky C., 99)
   Lit. ‘At every/any time, Aaron must not enter the sanctum, lest he should die.’
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Sentence (53) (part of the earlier example (32)) shows a similar syntactic configuration involving mind ‘all’. This is not a case of a (distributive) universal outscoping negation; rather, the operator underlying mind associates with the world in its entirety. We take the sentence to mean that the entire world would have been insufficient to grasp (St John’s message).

(53) hyzóm hogy mind ez vylaag sem foghatta volna meg
believe-1SG that all the world neither catch-POSSIBLE-PERF.3SG be-COND PRT
‘I believe that not even the whole wide world could have grasped it.’ (Érdy C., 54a)

Cases such as (52) characterise a particular stage of the Jespersen cycle in OH: n-words such as semmi ‘nothing’ and senki ‘no-one’ have been attested, but their distribution appears to be more restricted than in Modern Hungarian (cf. É. Kiss 2014b). (As we saw in example (4) above, postverbal n-words could be exchanged for indefinite valami ‘something’, or for an indeterminate pronoun, as in (30).)

An interesting consequence of the purely logical use of minden in front of negation is that it could occur as a polarity/FC item in expressions with nélkül ‘without’. (Again, mind did not appear in such environments.)

Example (39), repeated here as (54), shows minden in a Free Choice role with nélkül ‘without’.

(54) De zenth pether azonnal fel alwan minden feelelē nélkyl
but Saint Peter immediately up standing every fear-without
Es retthegees nélkyl nagy fel zowal monda...
and trepidation-without great loud word-INST said
‘But Saint Peter was instantly on his feet and said loudly, without any fear or trepidation...’

(i) minden kertelés nélkül
every hedging without
‘without any hedging/fudging’

An anonymous reviewer finds such MH examples perfectly acceptable and productive. In the author’s dialect, however, they appear a bit unusual.

8 Modern Hungarian tends to employ genuine FC items in such expressions, such as akár + pronoun or bár + pronoun. Occasionally, minden can still be used (László Kálmán, p.c.):
3.4. The unexpected

This subsection is devoted to rarities and exotic cases from the codices. They are presented here because they shed light on (i) the quasi-lexical meaning of *minden* as ‘full’, ‘complete’, and on (ii) a period of OH when variable binding in the logic textbook sense coexisted (and interfered) with antecedent–anaphora relations.

*Minden* could (and can to this day) combine with abstract nouns (e.g., *jó* ‘good’) or mass nouns (*arany* ‘gold’). The root of the problem, we think, is the particular algebraic structure of the domain of Hungarian N/NPs; the logical properties of quantifiers operating on such structures is in a sense secondary to that (cf. Tovena 2003 on parametric variation in the sortal/algebraic restrictions on determiners).  

The codices contain some *minden* + NP combinations that would count as unusual even for present-day speakers of Hungarian. We take such examples to indicate that *minden* could originally have had a quasi-open-class lexical meaning, viz., ‘full’, ‘complete’. An example in point is (55) below, where *mynden eletewnk* can only mean ‘our entire life, the entire life of each one of us’, and not ‘every life of ours’.

(55) Ez zamos zent napokban *mynden* eletewnket meg yobbohok  
this numerous holy day-PL-INE every life-POS.1PL-ACC PRT improve-SBJV.1PL  
‘During these many feast days we should improve our entire life.’ (Érdy C., 4a)

One example had been found where *minden* modifies a predicative adjective. Again, the only interpretation of *menden kazdag* lit. ‘every rich’ in this sentence is ‘completely rich’, ‘full of riches’. It indicates that at some stage of its life, *minden* could have been a modifier with the meaning ‘full-y’, ‘complete-ly’. From the Jókai codex onwards such meanings are usually conveyed with the derived form *minden-es-től* ‘every-ADJ-ABL’.

(56) ez velagon zegen legy evrevmest. es menyorzagban  
this world-SUP poor be-IMP.2SG gladly and heaven-INE  
legy   *menden* kazdag.  
be-IMP.SG every rich  
‘In this world be poor gladly, and in heaven be all-rich (full of riches).’  
(Cornides C., 81v)

*Minden* is not the only Hungarian determiner that can combine with mass nouns or abstract nouns such as *remény* ‘hope’, *sok* ‘much/many’ and *kevés* ‘little/few’ are like *minden*, cf. among others Csirmaz & Szabolesi (2012). Curiously, when *minden* combines with a collective noun it behaves in the ‘English’ way: *minden család* means ‘every family’ and not ‘the entire family’.
One example has been found where the Restrictor of *minden* contains distributive/quantificational -*keed*:

(57) zollywnk arrol ky *mynden* napon*keed* zemewn
speak-SBJV.1PL that-DEL which every day--DIST eye-POSS.1PL
elót forog
before revolve-3SG

‘Let us speak about that which is before our eyes every day.’ (Érdy C., 20a)
(Lit.: ‘*every daily*’)

This example suggests that *minden* need not have been inherently distributive.

Double case marking: appositives? OH codices quite frequently contain doubly case marked (Det + case ... NP + case) strings like (58). Such examples are by no means confined to *minden*, and typically involve “heavy”, complex NPs. (These are often, but not always, non-finite constructions, as shown in (58) itself.)

(58) mėguo̗n *menden* varost & *mēdent* a. földön lakozot
PRT-take-PST.3SG every town-ACC and every-ACC the earth-SUP dwell-PART-ACC

‘He conquered every town and every inhabitant of the land.’ (Vienna C., 14)

It has to be noted that examples like (58) precede the emergence of doubly case marked demonstrative-article-NP complexes (shown in (59) and discussed in Egedi 2014).

(59) a. azt a könyv-e-t
that-ACC the book-ACC
‘that book’
b. *az a könyv-e-t
that the book-ACC
intended: same as above

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10 Recent literature on quantification has questioned precisely the inherent, lexically hard-wired distributivity of *every* and its kin (cf. Szabolcsi 2010). In terms of such analyses an example like (57) would mean either that (i) *minden* was not accompanied by a covert distributive operator, or that (ii) -*keed* could have been precisely the overt reflex of such an operator. Under alternative (ii), the question is how overt -*keed* has become superfluous.
Cases like (58) also differ from genuine appositives in Modern Hungarian (in that the determiner immediately precedes the NP). A syntactic analysis of this problem is beyond the scope of this contribution. Here, we take sentences like (58) to indicate that the integration of determiners into the left periphery of the DP could have involved several intermediate stages. We can even speculate that (58) is indicative of a stage when determiner and NP were independent syntactic units, and semantic connections were made explicit with the “glue” of case marking.

**Minden with relatives/correlatives 1**

Occasionally one finds a plain relative clause introduced by a *vala*-pronoun embedded under a quantifier:

(60) **Menden valaki** kaialtanga vnac nèuet v̇udo̗zo̗l
Every VALA-who cry-FUT.3SG lord-DAT name-POS.3SG-ACC redeem(-ed)

’Everyone who cries the name of the Lord will be redeemed.’ (Vienna C., 208)

A sentence like (60) looks strange to contemporary speakers of Hungarian: Nowadays, *vala*-indefinites are quintessential positive polarity indefinites, so (60) would read as ‘Every someone who cries the name of the Lord will be redeemed’. Actually, such sentences are not puzzling, given that in OH *vala*-expressions could be relative pronouns. They typically introduced free relatives/correlatives, but the step from free relative to ordinary relative (exemplified by (60)) does not come as a total surprise. On the basis of (60) alone we might conclude that the puzzle of relative *vala*-expressions is a problem for the history of Hungarian indefinites, and not for the study of *minden*.

Sentence (61) is more problematic, however, because of the anaporic expression *ez eleten ember* ‘such a man’ in the Nuclear Scope of *miden*. A possible explanation is that codices often mirror spoken language by emphasising connections between sentence bits. If we insist on a purely grammatical explanation we are compelled to say that *miden* had to associate with the anaphoric expression in some manner, either through binding its variable, or by means of some intrasentential anaphoric mechanism.

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11 The following is a “true” Hungarian appositive:

(i) Vércsét tegnap kettőt láttam (vöcsköt pedig hármat).
kestrl-ACC yesterday two-ACC saw-1SG grebe-ACC and three-ACC

’Of kestrels I saw two yesterday; of grebes I saw three.’
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(61) Mindőn valaki atťafiat ģūłšli ez ęl'eten embo ģilcos
every VALA-who brother-POSS.3SG-ACC hates the such man murderer
‘Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer.’ (Guary C., 6)
‘Everyone who hates his brother, such a man/this kind of man is a murderer.’

Minden with correlatives 2

One sentence has been found in the codices where the Nuclear Scope of minden contains a correlative.

(62) menden,nek meg ada azt, schy,nek myj, evuei, vala
every,DAT PRT gave that-ACC, whoi,DAT whatj, hisj, be-PAST
‘She gave everyone his due.’ (Cornides C., 178r)
‘She gave everyone, thatj, to whomj, whichj, was hisj, (due).’

In (62) minden is supposed to bind the relative pronoun akinek in its Nuclear Scope. The problem is that the pronoun is in an operator position (and in the semantics component it is in the scope of a covert maximality operator). A further complication with (62) is that it is a double correlative, so the quantifier is supposed to bind the first relative pronoun, while the definite correlate azt ‘that’ in the matrix is supposed to be bound to the second relative pronoun my ‘what’. If we adopt an analysis of correlatives that assumes a covert maximality operator (such as Brașoveanu 2008), one question is how the quantifier is supposed to access a discourse referent in the scope of this operator.

Again, a proper analysis of an exceptional case like (62) has to be deferred. (62) is taken to provide a glimpse into a time when strict binding (D-quantification) and looser, externally and internally dynamic structures coexisted.12

12 According to an anonymous reviewer sentences like (62) are “pretty good” in present-day Hungarian:

(i) Mindenkinek megadta kinek mi járt.
Every-who-DAT PRT-gave who-DAT what was.due
‘She gave everyone his due.’
‘To whomever, whatever was due, she granted it to everyone.’

According to native speakers I have consulted, such sentences are felicitous with a marked intonational pause before the correlative, suggesting some kind of discoursal relation between the correlative and the clause containing mindenki ‘everyone’. That is, the correlative does not appear to be embedded under the quantifier; it can be seen as elaborating on the information provided by the minden-clause.
3.5. The feature content of *minden*

To conclude the discussion of *minden*, we return to Kratzer and Shimoyama’s analysis of local particle + indeterminate combinations. Taking epistemic German *irgend*-indefinites as a point of departure, Kratzer (2005) proposed that in these combinations the particle has no quantificational force of its own. Instead, a particle such as German *irgend-* is a concord marker, a signal that the alternatives introduced by the indeterminate are to be discharged by a covert operator higher in the structure. At the level of syntax this means that these particles contain an uninterpretable feature that needs to be checked by the operator that ‘binds’ the indefinite. This account, as Kratzer herself pointed out, tallies with the dynamic view on indefinites, viz., they introduce a free variable that is bound, or closed, elsewhere.

At this stage of research, OH Hungarian ‘compound’ indefinites can be assumed to behave as predicted by Kratzer and Shimoyama. Né-indefinites, for instance, could be bound at matrix level (presumably by an operator with a context-sensitive parameter, to account for their specificity), *vala*-indefinites could be bound under negation, both *akár*- and *vala*-indefinites could be bound by covert relative operators, and so on. (But see Yanovich 2005 for a more fine-grained analysis of indeterminates and the DPs containing them.) From a diachronic perspective, an added advantage of such a proposal is that most of the meaning changes affecting indefinites can be explained as a change in feature values, and not as a change in the indefinites themselves, as stressed in Jäger (2011). On the analysis in Jäger (2011), change is indeed captured as a change in feature values (and, consequently, as a change in licensing operators).

Where *minden* is concerned, we would like to argue that *minden* was a self-contained quantifier, which came with its own (interpretable) feature. The reader may recall morpho-syntactic arguments from section 3.1, which indicate that *minden* and its family did not fit well into the (particle + indeterminate) series of OH expressions. *Minden* could act as a determiner and freely combine with NPs (unlike the bare particles *vala-* or *akár-*). In addition, *minden* had its own quantificational content, unlike the particles that combined with indeterminates: with the exception of negative *se-m-*, these particles came to mark existential force, specificity or Free Choice readings precisely because they combined with indeterminates.

The morphosyntactic composition of *mind* and *minden* does not match the particle + indeterminate order of the indefinite series; instead, their makeup is better suited to a head-final formula.
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In addition to morphological arguments, OH recods show that *minden* behaves like a self-relying quantifier, in that its scope is flexible, and its preverbal occurrences can be taken as evidence for overt movement.

4. Conclusions

The inventory presented in section 2 has shown that the expression of universal/maximal readings in Old Hungarian was varied, not to say, heterogeneous. Table 1 summarises the main forms of expression, together with their main properties.

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Table 1: Modes of quantification and their properties in OH

The main empirical findings of this contribution concern OH A-quantifiers and indeterminate-based quantification.

Temporal expressions marked with the distributive suffix *-keed* expressed universal quantification; they had a tripartite structure, and could take scope over material to their right.

The morphological composition of such expressions has been proposed to belong to an earlier, head final stage of Hungarian.

Bare pronouns under negation and in conditionals have been taken to indicate that during earlier stages of Hungarian indeterminate pronouns could be bound long distance. Table 1 reflects the assumption that there was indeed such a system of long-distance binding, and that it was amenable to a Hamblin-style analysis. Further research will have weigh in deeper syntactic considerations, taking into account the principles that determine relationships between \textit{wh}-movement, indeterminates and the determiner system within a given type of language (Watanabe 2004), as well

Indefinite particle + indeterminate complexes in OH codices have been taken to lend themselves to the analysis proposed in Kratzer (2005) or Biberauer & Roberts (2011): the particle (plain indefinite \textit{vala-}, Free Choice \textit{akár-}) is like a concord marker, in that it contains an uninterpretable feature that needs to be checked by an operator. Morphosyntactic and semantic evidence (scope and binding) has shown \textit{minden} ‘every’ to be a quantifier in its own right.

In a handful of cases OH \textit{minden} behaved in an unusual manner: it could agree in case with its NP, or a correlative would end up embedded under it. We take such examples to correspond to intermediate stages in a process that eventually led to \textit{minden} being a tripartite D-quantifier.

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