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Demonstratives in Begak (Ida'an)

Begak (Ida'an) is a Sabahan language which has five demonstrative pronouns:

(1)

ate	'this'	closer to the speaker than to the addressee
ano	'that'	close to both speaker and addressee
ino	'yonder'	far away from speaker
udi	'there'	very far away yet visible
adi	'over there'	very far away, invisible

When these demonstratives are used in a spatial sense, as in (1), the form chosen depends on how distant the entity referred to is from the speaker. When the demonstratives are used in a temporal sense, as in (2), the form for entities close to the speaker, *ano* 'that', refers to events happening today, while the form for entities far away, *adi* 'over there', refers to events in the past.

(2) a. *dtow* **ano**   b. *dtow* **adi**
       day **that**   day **over.there**
      'Today'   'That day (in the past)'

When used in an anaphorical sense, the form *ino* 'yonder' refers to entities known to the hearer, mentioned recently (short distance anaphore), while *adi* 'over there' refers to entities mentioned many clauses earlier in discourse (long distance anaphore). In my paper, I will elaborate on the spatial, temporal and anaphorical use of the Begak demonstratives.