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Abstract:

This dissertation examines the evolution of Latin complement patterns as they evolve into Romance (namely Spanish and Italian). It falls into three parts: the first attempts to illustrate Vincent's account of the changes of Latin complement patterns with concrete examples from Old Spanish and Old Italian (Vincent (1988:66-69)); the second deals with the origins of two Romance prepositional infinitives (namely *de* + infinitive and *ad* + infinitive) that have stood out in the survey of the changes of complement patterns and attempts to give a Minimalist interpretation of the grammaticalisation process that has led to the specialised usages of these two infinitives; and the third narrates the evolution of these two prepositional infinitives from Old Spanish and Old Italian to their modern state. The first part of the dissertation will show that in the evolution from Latin to Romance *quod*-clause has generalised as the default finite complementiser, while *de* + infinitive and *ad* + infinitive developed along with it. The former appears in more contexts while the latter only in contexts that imply futurity. The second part begins with a recapitulation of the interpretation of grammaticalisation within the Minimalist framework (Roberts and Roussou (2003)) and will show that the grammaticalisation that leads to the formation of complementisers (C-elements) is especially interesting for it is not entirely consistent with the Minimalist analysis of grammaticalisation. The grammaticalisation of Latin *de* and *ad* will be shown to be similar yet different from Roberts and Roussou's (2003) case studies of the grammaticalisation of C-elements and is hence interesting. The final part of the dissertation will show that Spanish and Italian undergo different evolutions in their

treatment of *de* + infinitive and *ad* + infinitive and so, in terms of the syntactic development of prepositional infinitives, Spanish and Italian do not show dialectal affinity.

Introduction:

In this dissertation, I intend to trace and examine the evolution of Latin complement patterns into Romance with specific reference to Spanish and Italian. Most of all, I shall pay particular attention to the choice of the 'complementiser' (i.e. the word that introduces the complement clause) in Latin and Romance.

Latin > early Romance:

Vincent (1988:66-7) provides a concise description the complement patterns in Latin:

a)

Ut/ne + subjunctive: this construction may be freely used to express purpose (a so-called final clause) after any type of verb... however, the same construction is used with many verbs where the sense is not as much one of purpose but simply one of futurity, in that the action/state identified in the *ut/ne* clause follows that expressed in the governing verb. Thus, *Ubii Caesarem orant ut sibi parcat* 'the Ubii beg Caesar to spare them', *sententiam ne diceret recusavit* 'he refused to give an opinion'. This is one of the most widespread of Latin complement types, and is found regularly after verbs of ordering (*imperare praedicere*), desiring (*optare, studere*, and sometimes even *velle*, though this more normally takes an infinitive), warning (*monere*), requesting (*rogare petere*), urging (*persuadere*), fearing (*timere vereri*) and so on. With verbs of hindering (*impedire, prohibere*) another conjunction, *quin* (<

QUI-NE) is often found, but the construction is essentially the same. The generalisation which seems to hold here is that all these verbs express an attitude towards, or an attempt to bring about/forestall, an event which is yet to come.

Accordingly, we will call them 'future-oriented'... note finally that many verbs in this class would take a following, so-called prolative, infinitive (see below) if the subjects of both actions were the same: *vereor laudare praesentem* 'I am afraid to praise someone who is present', *precor recipi* 'I beg to be received'.

b) (Prolative) infinitive: in origin the Latin infinitive is a verbal noun able to fill the role of subject or object of another verb. The subject function is seen in an example like *legere difficile est* 'to read is difficult', and in the use of the infinitive with many impersonal verbs *libet scribere* 'it is pleasing to write'. When used as an object, the infinitive soon came to be reanalysed as a dependent verbal form with an implied subject coreferential with that of its governing verb. Thus, *volo vincere* was originally to be understood as 'I want victory' but later as 'I want (I) win'. Other verbs which would permit such a construction are: *malle* 'to prefer', *audere* 'to dare', *conari* 'to try', *incipere* 'to begin', *scire* 'to know how to', *posse* 'to be able to'. Besides these are a small group where the infinitive may serve as a second accusative, e.g. *tondere filias suas docuit* 'he taught his daughters to shave (him)', literally 'he taught them shaving'.

c) Accusative + infinitive: the use of an infinitive and an accusative as the codependents of a single verb exemplified in the last example, must be sharply distinguished from

an instance such as *dicit te errare* 'he says that you are going wrong'. Here the accusative *te* is semantically subject of *errare*, and bears no direct relation to *dicit*... the so-called 'accusative and infinitive' construction is normal with verbs whose complement is logically a proposition, i.e. verbs of saying, thinking, hoping, perceiving, etc.: *audire* 'to hear', *videre* 'to see', *intelligere* 'to understand', *nuntiare* 'to announce', *simulare* 'to pretend', *promittere* 'to promise' and many more...

- d) *Quod* + indicative: just as *ut* is in origin a marker of purpose, but comes to be used in complement clauses in an attenuated sense, so *quod* 'because' introduces the complement of a class of so-called verbs of emotion where in a loose sense the complement can be said to express the cause or origin of the emotion: *dolet mihi quod tu nunc stomacharis* 'it pains me that (i.e. because) you are angry now', *iuvat me quod vigent studia* 'I am pleased that your studies are flourishing'. The dividing line between this class and that of the accusative and infinitive is an uncertain one, and it is not surprising to find the same verb taking both, with no discernible difference of meaning: *gaudet miles quod vicerit hostem* 'the soldier rejoices that he has conquered the enemy' and *salvom te advenisse gaudeo* 'I rejoice that you have come home safe'. (Vincent (1988:66-7))

On the next page, Vincent (1988:68) mentions several changes in the complementation system between Latin and Romance that correspond to the ones above:

- e) *Ut/ne/quin* + subjunctive have been lost altogether;
- f) *quod* as the introducer of the finite clause has greatly increased its range and is

followed freely by either indicative or subjunctive;

- g) the accusative and infinitive is limited to perception verbs;
- h) the prepositions *ad* and *de* have developed specialised uses as introducers of dependent infinitives;
- i) the infinitive, unsupported by an introductory particle, survives but with a greatly reduced number of verbs. (Vincent 1988:68)

All this can be summarised as follows: a) > e) (the uses of *ut/ne/quin* (and *quominus*) with clauses that denote futurity and hindering have been eliminated), b) > g) (the Latin uses of accusative and infinitive for propositions have been reduced), d) (the usage of *quod* + indicative has been expanded), h) (the emergence of *ad* + infinitive and *de* + infinitive), i) (the uses of the bare infinitive have been reduced).¹ Vincent (1988:68-70) elaborates on these changes and adds that 1) with regards to *ad* + infinitive, '*ad* occurs most frequently with those verbs that we earlier characterised as 'future-oriented...' i.e. *ad* occurs mainly in contexts where futurity is implied 2) with regards to *de* + infinitive, '... the role of *de* seems to be more structural, and must be linked to the emergence of *quod/quid* as a finite complementiser... in the area of complementation, the French structures *il a décidé de nous accompagner* 'he decided to accompany us' vs *il a décidé que son fils nous accompagnera* 'he has decided that his son will accompany us' are typical and could be replicated from any other Romance language except... Rumanian... as the role of the Latin complement pattern with *quod* + clause generalised, largely at the expense of the accusative and infinitive, so a parallel pattern with *de* + infinitive emerged beside it and incomplementary distribution to it.' i.e. the Romance reflexes of

¹ A very similar yet briefer statement is in Bauer (2010:625-7). Given that Bauer's analysis of Romance historical syntax is the most recent output from Romance philologists, it can be assumed that Vincent's analysis of Latin/Romance complementisers in 1988 still holds among the current researchers of Romance historical syntax.

de and *quod* are complementary in distribution, and this complementarity is determined mainly by the presence or absence of co-reference between the subject of the main verb and the logical subject of the infinitive, the former requires a *de* while the latter *quod* 3) ‘... a further result of the emergence of the new complement structures is to free the subjunctive from its obligatory dependence on the conjunction (*ut/ne/quin*)... and to establish a pattern whereby the subjunctive and the indicative alternate according to the semantic circumstances here as in main clauses. Thus, subjunctives are normal with governing verbs of fearing, doubting, believing, and of emotional attitude (wonder, surprise, sorrow, etc.) and when the controlling predicate is interrogative or negative, but indicatives are required after verbs of saying and in more generally affirmative contexts.’ i.e. the mood (indicative or subjunctive) of the verb in the *quod*-clause in Romance is determined by the semantics of the main verb, with the subjunctive being required by non-affirmative main verbs and/or negated ones.²

In this dissertation, I propose to illustrate the changes of complement patterns between Latin and Romance with concrete examples, and in doing so I shall pay particular attention to the emergence of *de* + infinitive and *ad* + infinitive and the expansion of *quod*-clauses.

Chapter 1: complement clauses:

According to Vincent (1988:65, 70), complement clauses function as arguments of the main verb, namely those that function as the subject and as the object of the main verb, since these are the two essential arguments of any verb. In this chapter, I shall illustrate the changes in the use of complement patterns as the subject and the object of the main verb.

Section 1.1: complement clauses as the subject of the main verb:

In this section, I shall only discuss one construction, namely impersonal verbs. This

² Vergnaduzzo (2000:693) calls the type of subjunctive that is determined by the semantics (namely non-affirmative) of the main verb as ‘intentional subjunctive’ (*congiuntivo intensionale*) and the type of subjunctive that is determined by the syntactic environment (negation etc) of the main verb as ‘polar subjunctive’ (*congiuntivo polare*). These two terms will be used in this dissertation.

5) ...cómmo vos plaz-e de fa-r (Cid 670)

How you.ACC.PL please.3rd.SG.PRES DE do-INF

'... how it pleases you to do.' (you are the one doing the 'doing')

6) a mi plaz-e que

to me.DAT.SG please-IMPERS.3RD.SG.PRES QUOD

tod-os se ayunt-en

all-MASC.PL REFL.PRO convene-3RD.PL.PRES.SUBJ

a lo cumpl-ir (Lib 9v)

to it accomplish-INF

'It pleases me that all are convening to accomplish it.' (I am not the one doing the 'accomplishing')

Early Italian:

7) Poi piace-vi save-r... (Dan Rime 42,9)

Then please.IMPERS.3SG.PRES-you.DAT.PL know-INF

'Then it pleases you to know...' (you are the one doing the 'knowing')

8) Piac-mi di presta-re... (Dan Rime 114,7)

Please.IMPERS.3SG.PRES-I.DAT DI lend-INF

'It pleases me to lend it...' (I am the one doing the 'lending')

9) ... mi piac-e che

Me.DAT.SG please-IMPERS.3RD.SG QUOD

ciò s-ia apert-o (Dan Vn 38,5)

that be-3RD.SG.PRES.SUBJ open-MASC.SG

'It pleases me that that is open.' (I am not 'open')

In these examples, the main verb is one of emotion ('it pleases') and so the verb in

the complement *quod*-clause is in the subjunctive, unlike the Latin counterpart (example 3): *quam iuuat quod non... incidi* ‘how it pleases that I did not fall...’) where the verb in the complement clause (*incidi*) is in the indicative. The evolution from Latin to Romance has therefore witnessed two key changes: 1) the generalisation of *quod*-clause over the accusative and infinitive with the result that the mood of the verb in the complement clause is sensitive to the semantics of the main verb 2) the rise of *de/di* + infinitive in competition of the original bare infinitive, which does not show that reduction of the use of the bare infinitive but also shows evidence for alternation between *de* and *quod* according to the presence or absence of co-reference (compare 5) and 6), and 8) and 9)).

Ut is also attested in Latin in the absence of co-reference, but it is restricted to certain verbs, namely *verba accidendi*.⁵

Verba accidendi

10) ita	acci-dit		ut	par-em	feroci-ae
so	happen-IMPERS.3RD.PERF		UT	equal-ACC.SG	fierceness-GEN.SG
hu-ius ...		consul-em...		habe-rent...	(Liv. 8,5,7)
this-MASC.GEN.SG		consul-ACC.SG		consider-3RD.PL.IMPERF.SUBJ	

‘It so happened that they had a consul who was match to him in terms of boldness.’

These verbs, however, also employ the accusative and infinitive and the *quod*-clause construction:

11) sed	acci-dit			perincommod-e
but	happened-IMPERS.3RD.SG.PERF			very.inconvenient-ADV
quod	e-um	nusquam	uid-isti	(Cic. Att. 1,17,2)
QUOD	him-ACC.SG	nowhere	see-2SG.PERF.IND	

‘But it was very inconvenient that you did not see him anywhere.’

⁵ i.e. verbs of happening.

donn-a	appar-ve	a	me... (Dan Vn 3,1)
woman-FEM.SG	appear-3RD.SG.PRET.IND	to	me.ACC

‘It happens that this wonderful woman appeared to me.’

There is therefore evidence that as the Latin *ut*-clause was ousted by the generalisation of *quod*, the mood of the verb in the complement clause has become tied with the semantics of the impersonal verb (contrast 13) and 14) with 6) and 9), in the former pair the main verb (*acaesçe* ‘it happens’ and *avenne* ‘it happens’) is followed by an indicative verb in the complement clause (*venden* and *apparve*) and in the latter pair the main verb (*plaze* ‘it pleases’ and *piace* ‘it pleases’) is followed by a subjunctive verb in the complement clause (*ayunten* and *sia*)).

Apart from the rise of *de/di* + infinitive, there are also attestations of *a* + infinitive being used as the subject of impersonal verbs. However, the distribution of the latter is very limited, since it only occurs in early Spanish with *convenir* and only with *accadere* and *rimanere* in Medieval Italian:

Early Spanish:

15) vos	convien-e...	a	ven-ir	con	armas (Cron 67b6)
you.DAT.PL	suit-3RD.SG.IMPERS	A	come-INF	with	arms-FEM.PL

‘It is convenient for you to come with arms.’

Early Italian:

16) A	noi	solo	questo	accade	a	domanda-re	(Alb 103,15)
To	we.ACC	only	this	A	ask-INF		

‘We happen to ask for only this.’

17) riman-e		a	di-re	che...	(Alb 127,35)
remain-3RD. SG. IMPERS	A	say-INF	that		

‘It remains to say that...’

However, the two Italian examples are spurious, since it is possible to interpret the *a* + infinitive not as the subject of the impersonal verb but as a ‘retroactive’ adjective (i.e. the head noun to which the *a* + infinitive is attached is the object of the infinitive)⁷ i.e. *a noi questo accade a domandare* ‘to ask this befalls us’ can be interpreted as ‘this befalls us to be asked’ and *rimane a dire che...* ‘to say that... remains’ can be interpreted as ‘that... remains to be said’. The Spanish example 15) therefore is the only genuine example of *a* + infinitive being used as the subject of impersonal verbs in early Romance, since, given that *venir* is intransitive, it is impossible to interpret *venir* as a retroactive adjectival infinitive.

Conclusion to 1.1:

With impersonal verbs, when there is co-reference, Romance has introduced two prepositional infinitives in competition with the original Latin bare infinitive (though *de/di* + infinitive is far more widespread than *a* + infinitive), and when there is no co-reference, Romance has generalised *quod*-clause over Latin accusative and infinitive and *ut*-clause with the result that the mood selection of the verb in the complement clause is dependent on the semantics of the impersonal verb and/or its syntactic environment (see note 6).

Section 1.2: complement clauses as the object of the main verb:

There are many constructions in this category, and I have adopted Bolkenstein’s (1976:168) categories in dividing my examples thus: 1) verbs that are always ‘declarative’ 2) verbs that are capable of being ‘declarative’ and ‘imperative’ 3) verbs that are always ‘imperative’.

Section 1.2.1: verbs that are always ‘declarative’:

Bolkenstein (1976:168) characterises these verbs by the fact that they are never attested with ‘imperative’ force and he asserts that they are never attested with *ut*-clause +

⁷ See Ageno (1978:285) for examples of *a* + infinitive being used as a retroactive adjectival infinitive.

subjunctive. This is indeed true with some verbs, but there are also other verbs in Latin that are attested with *ut*-clause + subjunctive without attaining ‘imperative’ force, and so I have divided my examples in this section thus: 1) ‘declarative’ verbs that only take accusative and infinitive and a *quod*-clause (this is in accordance with Bolkenstein’s definition of verbs that are never ‘imperative’ and hence do not use *ut*-clause + subjunctive) 2) verbs that can take *ut/ne*-clause⁸ + subjunctive without being ‘imperative’. It will be shown that Romance has generalised the use of *quod*-clauses over the Latin accusative and infinitive and *ut/ne* + subjunctive, and alongside this generalisation *de/di* + infinitive has emerged.

Section 1.2.1.1: verbs that only take an accusative and infinitive and a *quod*-clause:

In Latin, there are many such verbs and I have decided to choose one type of such verbs: *verba putandi*.⁹

Verba putandi:

Accusative and infinitive:

18) puta-te	uos...	ad	parentali-a	
think-2ND.PL	PRO.2ND.PL.ACC	to	festival-N.ACC.PL	
me-a	inuitat-os	es-se.		(Petron. 78,4)
my-N.PL	invited-2ND.PL.ACC	be-INF		

‘You know that you have been invited to my festival.’

19) Qu-i	omn-is	se		
REL.PRO.MASC.SG	all-ACC.PL	REFL.PRO		
am-are	cred-it			(Plaut. Mil 1391)
love-INF	believe-3RD.SG.PRES			

‘... he who believes that everyone loves him (the believer).’

Quod-clause:

20) Putant-i	,	quod	tu...
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⁸ *Ne* is the negative counterpart to *ut*.

⁹ i.e. verbs of knowing and thinking.

Thinking.PRES.PART-DAT.SG QUOD you.NOM.SG
 corpus ess-es lucid-um (Aug con 4,16,31)
 body-N.NOM be-2ND.SG.IMPERF.SUBJ bright.N.NOM
 ‘...thinking that you were the bright body.’

21) Put-o enim quod
 Think.1ST.SG.PRES for QUOD
 non sit de terr-a (Aug con 11,2,4)
 not be-3RD.SG.PRES.SUBJ from earth-ABL.SG
 ‘for I think that it is from earth.’

In Romance, while both accusative and infinitive and *quod*-clause have been retained, there are also attestations for the use of bare infinitive and *de/di* + infinitive in early Spanish and Italian where there is co-reference between the subject of the main verb and the logical subject of the infinitive.

Early Spanish:

Bare infinitive:

22) Ni tanto me atrever-ia
 Not so.much REFL.PRO dare-COND.1ST.SG
 cre-er merec-er (Que 58a 18)
 Believe-INF deserve-INF
 ‘I would not so much dare to believe that I deserve it.’

de + infinitive:

23) crey-endo de los tom-ar (Cor 138,20)
 believe-GERUND DE them take-INF
 ‘believing that he (the believer) should take them.’

Accusative and infinitive:

24) L-os crey-o ser ratonad-os (Laz 36,6)

Them-ACC.PL believe-1SG.PRES be-INF rationed-MASC.ACC.PL

'I believe that they have been rationed.'

Quod-clause:

25) H-e pens-ado que

Have-1ST.SG.PRES think-PAST.PART QUOD

Nunca me ver-ás jamas. (Oli 530,30)

Never me.ACC see-2ND.SG.FUT never

'I have thought that you will never ever see me.'

26) Piens-o que se-an

Think-1SG.PRES QUOD be-3RD.PL.PRES.SUBJ

bien informados (Cap 22b,51)

well informed-MASC.PL

'I think that they are well-informed.'

In the two Spanish examples of *quod*-clause (25) and 26)), one has a verb in the indicative

(*verás*) while the other has it in the subjunctive (*sean*), and it is not obvious why this

example should be a 'polar' subjunctive. This detail will be discussed below.

Early Italian:

Bare infinitive:

27) Crede-vate-lo voi av-ere? (Nov 91,334,8)

Believe-2ND.PL-it you.PL have-INF

'Did you believe that you had it?'

di + infinitive:

28) se	io	pensava	di	vol-ere
if	I	think-1SG.IMPERF	DI	want-INF
cerc-are	un-a	comun-e		vi-a.... (Dan Vn 13,1)
look.for-INF	a-FEM.SG	common-FEM.SG		way-FEM.SG

‘if I thought that I was wanting to look for a common way.’

Accusative and infinitive:

29) Cred-iamo	l-a	benivolenz-a	un-a
Believe-1ST.PL.PRES	ART-FEM.SG	kindness-FEM.SG	one-FEM.SG
Ess-ere	simil-e	al-l-a	onestà (Alb 312,5)
Be-INF	similar-FEM.SG	to-the-FEM.SG	honesty-FEM.SG

‘We believe that kindness alone is similar to honesty.’

quod-clause:

30) si	pens-ò	che	s’	aproxim-ava
REFL.PRO	think-3RD.SG.PRET	QUOD	REFL.PRO	approach-3RD.SG.IMPERF
l-a	festa (Nov 1281/1300 (fior) p. 273, riga 20)			
the-FEM.SG	festival-FEM.SG			

‘It was thought that the festival was approaching.’

31) Cred-ette	che	quell-a	
Believe-2ND.PL.PRES	QUOD	that-FEM.SG	
Fos-se		person-a (Nov nov. 046, p. 229. Riga 5)	
Be-3RD.SG.SUBJ.IMPERF		person-NOM.SG.FEM	

‘You believe that that was the person.’

As with early Spanish, early Italian verbs of thinking permit a verb in the indicative (*s’aproximava*) as well as in the subjunctive (*fosse*), and there is no immediately obvious reason (e.g. conditions that cause the use of ‘polar’ subjunctive) why a subjunctive should

be used. More will be said about this below.

Furthermore, there is an example of ‘nominative and infinitive’ in early Spanish:

32) L-os	qu-ales	creerían			
Those-PL	such-PL	believe-COND.3RD.PL			
yo	no	hab-er	le-ido	las	reglas (San Prov 23)
I.NOM	not	have-INF	read-PERF.PART	the.FEM.PL	rule-FEM.PL

‘Those who would believe that I have not read the rules.’

Conclusion to 1.2.1.1:

How do we make sense of all this? Firstly, it has been argued (Pountain (1998) for Spanish, Dardano (1963:107) for Italian) that accusative and infinitive constructions are learned imitation of Latin rather than a genuine Romance construction, and so we are justified to remove the accusative and infinitive from our list of Romance constructions. Early Romance has therefor retained the use of Latin *quod*-clause with *verba putandi* and has added to it the use of the co-referential bare infinitive and *de/di* + infinitive, while Spanish has even introduced the use of non-coreferential ‘nominative and infinitive’ with the bare infinitive. According to Mensching (2000:18), Italian *di* + infinitive always has co-reference, and since he has not given any example of non-coreferential Spanish *de* + infinitive in object position, we can assume that in both languages *de/di* + infinitive always has co-reference. With the *quod*-clause, however, there has been no assertion that these clauses are always used without co-reference, and since the use of *quod*-clause with co-reference is not strictly ungrammatical i.e. it is not ungrammatical to say ‘I think that I am X’, and so evidence is needed to show that *quod*-clauses are constructed mainly in non-coreferential contexts, since non-coreferentiality cannot be assumed for *quod*-clauses.¹⁰ It is therefore uncertain whether *de* and *quod* really complement each other in terms of co-

¹⁰ This marks the difference between infinitival constructions and *quod*-clauses, since infinitives, unless realised with an overt object, is assumed to have co-reference with some other element of the clause, and so co-reference in infinitival constructions can be assumed unless there is evidence that suggests otherwise.

reference here, as Vincent asserts (1988:68)).

As for the mood selection of the verb in the *quod*-clause, there has as yet (to my knowledge) no statistical analysis of the choice of one or the other, and so it is difficult to identify the conditions which decide which one is used. Nonetheless, we can now refine Vincent's claim and argue that Romance affirmative verbs do not necessarily take the indicative mood, since there is evidence of affirmative verbs being used with a subjunctive verb when it is difficult to argue that this use is one of 'polar' subjunctive.

Section 1.2.1.2: 'declarative' verbs that can take an *ut/ne* clause:

There are several 'declarative' verbs that take *ut/ne* + subjunctive in Latin without being 'imperative', and here I shall focus on one, namely *verba timendi*.¹¹

Verba timendi:

In Latin, verbs of fearing are attested with the bare infinitive, the accusative and infinitive, *quod*-clause, *ut/ne*-clause + subjunctive. There is always co-referentiality with the bare infinitive, but not necessarily with the other constructions.

Bare infinitive:

32) Vere-or intro-ire (Plaut Mil 4,4,32)
fear-1ST.SG.PRES enter-INF
'I am afraid of entering.'

33) Nil metu-unt jur-are (Cat 64,146)
Not fear-3RD.PL.PRES swear-INF
'They are not afraid of swearing.'

Accusative and infinitive:

34) Vere-ar... me amor-is caus-a
Fear-1SG.PRES.SUBJ me.ACC love-GEN.SG sake-ABL enter-INF

¹¹ i.e. verbs of fearing.

inced-ere

(Plaut Mil 1285-6)

enter-INF

'I fear that I might enter for the sake of love.'

Quod-clause:

35) Non debetis tim-ere quod

Not must-2ND.PL.PRES fear-INF QUOD

Ab de-i uiu-atis prouidenti-a (Hier. In Matt 10,29)

From god-GEN.SG live-2ND.PL.PRES.SUBJpower-ABL.SG

'You must not be afraid that you are living away from the power of the god.'

36) Quid... tim-es quod

Why fear-2ND.SG.PRES QUOD

Ill-e operam amico dat su-o? (Ter Haut. 910)

he.NOM service-ACC friend-DAT.SG give-3RD.SG.PRES own-DAT.SG

'Why are you afraid that he might do his friend a service?'

Ut/ne + subjunctive:

With the use of *ut* and its negative counterpart *ne*, Latin verbs of fearing are striking in that they use *ne* to express a positive fear and *ut* to express a negative one:

37) Id paues ne duc-as ill-am,

it.N.ACC fear-2ND.SG.PRES NE marry-2ND.PRES.SUBJher-ACC.SG

tu, autem ut du-cas (Ter. Andr. 349)

you but UT marry-2ND.PRES.SUBJ

'You are afraid of marrying her, and you, of not marrying her.'

38) Metu-o ut subst-et hosp-es (Ter And 5,4,11)

fear-1SG.PRES UT stand.firm-3RD.PRES.SUBJ guest-NOM.SG

'I am afraid that the guest might stand firm.'

In early Romance, however, there are attestations for the a bare infinitive, a prepositional infinitive, and a *quod*-clause is used:

Early Spanish:

Bare infinitive:

39) Tem-ia perd-er el regno (Loor 36)

Fear-3RD.SG.IMPERF lose-INF the kingdom

'He was afraid of losing the kingdom.'

de + infinitive:

40) Temiendo-se de mat-ar-se (Cron 466a15)

Fear.PRES.PART-REFL.PRO DE kill-INF-REFL.PRO

'being afraid of killing themselves.'

en + infinitive:

41) Non dubd-as en met-er-te a periglo (Cron 40b12)

Not fear-2ND.PRES EN put-INF-you to danger

'You are not afraid of putting yourself in danger.'

Quod + indicative:

42) Tem-o que nada le dix-iste (Eli 155,6)

fear-1ST.PRES QUOD nothing him.DAT say-2ND.SG.PRET.IND

'I fear that you did not tell him anything.'

Quod + subjunctive:

43) Tem-í que me pusieran fuego (Ter 15,20)

Fear-1SG.PERTQUOD me.ACC put-3RD.PL.IMPERF.SUBJ fire

'I was afraid that they might put fire on me.'

Medieval Italian:

(2000:695)), in Spanish there are examples (42) and 43)) for both indicative and subjunctive following a verb of fear, and so there is mood fluctuation here.

Conclusion to 1.2.1:

In analysing 'declarative' verbs, it has emerged that the original Latin accusative and infinitive and *ut/ne* –clauses have been ousted by the generalisation of *quod*-clauses. Furthermore, prepositional infinitives have been innovated in Romance, and the one that occurs most frequently here is *de/di* + infinitive. However, there are certain issues that remain to be investigated, namely whether *quod*-clauses really are always non-coreferential (and hence support Vincent's claim that *de* and *quod* complement each other in terms of co-reference) and the issue of mood selection, for although the persistence of the subjunctive mood in early Italian fear clauses seems to support Vincent's claim that the verb in Romance *quod*-clauses are sensitive to the semantics of the main verb (here the verb expresses emotional attitude, namely fear, and so the use of the subjunctive is justified), the fluctuation between the indicative and subjunctive moods in the verbs of thinking and Spanish verbs of fearing disturbs his claim.

Section 1.2.2: verbs that are capable of being 'declarative' and 'imperative':

In Latin, according to Bolkenstein (1976:168), the choice between the 'declarative' and 'imperative' aspect of these verbs is determined by the complement they take: if they take an accusative and infinitive or a *quod*-clause, it is behaving 'declaratively', but if it takes another complement (notably an *ut*-clause, but there are also others that take a bare infinitive), it is 'imperative'. I have identified two classes of verbs in this category according to the complement that is taken.

Section 1.2.2.1: verbs that use *ut*-clause + subjunctive as 'imperative':

Verba dicendi:

Latin:

In Latin, verbs of saying can either express a statement or a command. In the former

scenario, a bare infinitive, an accusative and infinitive and a *quod*-clause + indicative or subjunctive may be used. As with the previous sections, the bare infinitive is only used when there is co-reference, while the other two do not require co-reference.

Bare infinitive:

47) a-it es-se parat-us (Hor 1,7,22)
 say-3RD.SG be-INF ready.NOM.SG.MASC
 ‘He says that he is ready.’

Accusative and infinitive:

48) obtemperat-urum te es-se dic-is (Cic Catil. 1,20)
 comply.FUT.PART-ACC.SG.MASC you.ACC.SG be-INF say-2ND.SG.PRES
 ‘You say that you will comply.’

49) Pler-ique de-os es-se dix-erunt... (Cic Nat Deo 1,1)
 Many-NOM.PL god-ACC.PL be-INF say-3PL.PERF
 ‘Many people have said that gods exist.’

Quod-clause + indicative:

50) nunc dic-am quod... aut oramus...
 now say-1ST.SG.FUT QUOD either pray-1ST.PL.PRES
 aut or-are desin-imus... (Jer 22,22)
 or pray-INF stop-1ST.PL.PRES
 ‘Now I shall say that either we pray or we stop praying.’

Quod-clause + subjunctive:

51) ... dixerunt quod is de-um haberet
 Say-3RD.PL.PERF QUOD he god-ACC.SG have-IMPERF.SUBJ
 qu-i bene uiu-eret (Aug debe 3,17)
 REL.PRO.MASC.SG well live-3RD.SG.IMPERF.SUBJ
 ‘... they said that he who lived well was the one who had god.’

Because us.DAT.PL be-3RD.SG.PRET said-MASC.SG
 que algun-os anda-van con nostr-as cart-as...(Lib 117r)
 QUOD some-MASC.PL walk-3RD.PL.IMPERFwith our-FEM.PL letter-FEM.PL
 'because it was said to us that some people were walking with our letters.'

If the verb expresses a command, *quod*-clause + subjunctive is used:

Quod-clause + subjunctive:

57) Deziendo-les... que veng-an... (Lib
 2v)
 Tell.PRES.PART-them.DAT.PL QUOD come-3RD.PL.PRES.SUBJ
 '... telling them to come.'

Early Italian:

If the verb expresses a statement, either *di* + infinitive (with co-reference),
 accusative and infinitive, *quod* + indicative or *quod* + subjunctive are used:

di + infinitive:

58) Dic-e di recar-si a memoria
 Say-3RD.SG.PRES DI bring.to.oneself-REFL.PRO to memory
 li anni passati... (Bon Tra 6,127,28)
 the.PL year-PL past-PL
 'He says that he will bring to himself to memory that past years.'

Accusative and infinitive:

59) Dicea la su-a
 Say-3RD.SG.IMPERF the.FEM own-FEM
 Ess-ere migliore vita (Alb
 256,13)
 be-INF best life
 'He was saying that his own was the best life.'

Quod-clause + indicative:

60) Dico che... tutta si confess-a (Dan If 5,8)

Say-1ST.SG.PRES QUOD whole REFL.PRO confess-3RD.SG

'I say that it confesses in its entirety.'

Quod-clause + subjunctive:

61) se io... dico ch' io vogli`-a

if ì say-1ST.SG.PRES QUOD I want-1ST.SG.PRES.SUBJ

tratt-are di cos-e grand-i... (BrunRet, p. 188, riga 12)

deal-INF about thing-FEM.PL big-FEM.PL

'If I say that I want to deal with big things.'

If the verb expresses a command, however, *quod* + subjunctive is used.

Quod-clause + subjunctive:

62) Soavemente disse ch' io pot-asse (Dan Pg 2,85)

Sweetly say-3RD.SG.PRET QUOD I drink-1ST.SG.IMPERF.SUBJ

'He sweetly told me to drink.'

Conclusion to 1.2.2.1:

The use of the accusative and infinitive has been, as with verbs of thinking, regarded as learned imitation of Latin ((Pountain (1998) for Spanish, Dardano (1963:107)), and so it can be eliminated from our list. Romance has therefore retained the use of *quod*-clause and Italian has even introduced the use of *di* + infinitive with 'declaration' while Spanish opts for the bare infinitive. Furthermore, it is interesting that there is less fluctuation between mood selection for *quod*-declarative than in the previous category (although the Italian example does show 'declarative' *dire* + subjunctive, this has been explained by Vergnaduzzo (2000:701) by the fact that the verb of saying is in the protasis of a conditional sentence and has hence acquired a modal colour; Vergnaduzzo (2000:701) also explains other occurrences of 'declarative' *dire* + subjunctive convincingly by using 'polar subjunctive'

usages (see note 3)- these convincing explanations set ‘declarative’ *dire* + subjunctive apart from the previous category where there was no obvious reason why a subjunctive should have been used). This may be because as the verb of saying is capable of expressing command when construed with *quod* + subjunctive, the use of subjunctive in declarative contexts has been consciously avoided lest confusion arises. The relationship between Italian *di* + infinitive and declarative *quod* is uncertain, for although Mensching (2000:18) has shown that *di* + infinitive is always co-referential, there has been no assertion that the use of *quod* here must be non-coreferential. We have also caught a glimpse of how Romance indirect commands function, namely the use of *quod*- clause + subjunctive, which has ousted the use of Latin *ut*-clause + subjunctive. This construction will recur in the following sections where Latin ‘imperative’ verbs are dealt with.

Section 1.2.2.2: verbs that use bare infinitive as ‘imperative’:

There exist some verbs in Latin of this category (i.e. both ‘declarative’ and ‘imperative’) that, rather than using *ut*-clause + subjunctive to express a command, use a bare infinitive.

Verba admonendi et docendi:¹³

When they express statements, they typically use accusative and infinitive:

Accusative and infinitive:

63) H-i...	homin-em	admon-ent	
These-MASC.PL	man-ACC.SG	warn-3RD.PL	
re-m	es-se	praeclar-am	(Cic Verr. II 2,36)
matter-FEM.ACC.SG	be-INF	remarkable-FEM.ACC.SG	

‘These men are warning the man that the matter is remarkable.’

64) Doc-ui	per	litter-as
inform-1ST.SG.PERF	through	letter-FEM.PL.ACC

¹³ i.e. verbs of warning and teaching.

i-d	nec	opus	es-se...	(Cic Att. 16,8,1)
it-N.SG.ACC	not	necessary	be-INF	

'I informed him through letters that it was not necessary.'

When they express advice/teaching (i.e. command), they are attested with the bare infinitive:

Bare infinitive:

65) e-um	su-ae	libidin-es	flagitios-ae
him-ACC.SG	his-FEM.NOM.PL	lust-FEM.NOM.PL	disgraceful-FEM.NOM.PL
fac-ere	admone-bant...		(Cic Verr 2,1,63)
do-INF	advise-3RD.PL.IMPERF		

'His disgraceful lusts were advising him to do it.'

66) Qu-i	te...	nihil	sap-ere
REL.PRO.MASC.SG	you.ACC	nothing	know-INF
doce-at			(Cic Phil 2,8)
teach-3RD.SG.PRES.SUBJ			

'... who teaches you to know nothing.'

In early Romance, it is hard to find counterparts to these Latin verbs that still retain this double quality, but as far as their 'imperative' side is concerned, there is evidence that the original Latin bare infinitive has been substituted by a *quod*-clause + subjunctive and/or a prepositional infinitive, although the bare infinitive is still retained for the verb of teaching.

Early Spanish:

Bare infinitive:

67) Le	enseñe	agrad-ar a	Dios	(Avi 248)
Him.ACC	teach-1ST.SG.PRET	thank to	god	

'I taught him to thank God.'

de + infinitive:

68) Person-a que me avis-ara
 Person-SG REL.PRO me.ACC advise-3RD.SG. IMPERF.SUBJ
 de u-yr l-as ocasiones (Ter 22,9)
 DE flee-INF the-FEM.PL occasion-FEM.PL
 'the person who advised me to flee the occasions.'

a + infinitive:

69) Amonest-an a bien viv-ir
 advise-3RD.PL.PRES A well live-INF
 a l-os hombr-es (Mor 160,14)
 to the-MASC.PL men-MASC.PL
 'They are advising the men to live well.'

70) Quien me enseñ-ara a tem-er a dios (Ter 9,20)
 Who me.ACC teach-3RD.SG.IMPERF.SUBJ A fear-INF to God
 '... who taught me to fear God.'

Quod-clause + subjunctive:

71) me... avis-aban que no me fiase
 me.DAT advise-3RD.PL.IMPERF QUOD not REFL.PRO
 trust
 de aquell-os vasall-os (Eli 111,5)
 DE those-MASC.PL vassal-MASC.PL
 'They warned me not to trust those vassals.'

Early Italian:

Bare infinitive:

72) ... m' in segn-i and-are (BonVi 11,27,25)
 Me.ACC teach-2ND.SG.PRES.SUBJ walk-INF
 '... that you should teach me to walk.'

A + infinitive:

73) ... l' uomo informare a ben fa-re (Zuc 1,64)
the man instruct-INF A well do-INF
'... to instruct the man to do it well.'

Quod + subjunctive:

74) Ammoniamo che tutt-i quell-i...
Advise-1ST.PL.PRES QUOD all-MASC.PL those-MASC.PL REFL.PRO
si guardino (Tes 36,7)
REFL.PRO protect-3RD.PL.SUBJ
'We advise all of those people to protect themselves.'

Conclusion to 1.2.2.2

From Latin to Romance, therefore, although the bare infinitive has not been lost, the rise of the *a* + infinitive, *di* + infinitive and *quod*-clause + subjunctive in this usage has brought them in rivalry with the bare infinitive. It should also be noted that all the attestations of *quod* have a subjunctive verb and that there is no fluctuation of mood whatsoever. This is the first time that we see the emergence of *a* + infinitive (barring the sporadic occurrences with impersonal verbs), and it will recur in other 'imperative' contexts.

Conclusion to 1.2.2:

In this category, there is ample evidence of the elimination of *ut*-clause + subjunctive in favour of *quod* + subjunctive here, and while there is fluctuation of mood with the 'declarative' verbs, there is no fluctuation with the 'imperative' ones just whatsoever. The use of *quod* with 'imperative' verbs further shows the versatility of *quod*, since it is used with both 'declarative' and 'imperative' verbs, and the fact that the choice of mood of the verb in the *quod* -clause (rather than the choice of complement pattern, as in Latin i.e. accusative and infinitive (declarative) vs. *ut*-clause + subjunctive (imperative)) has become

the sole marker of whether the verb is ‘declarative’ or ‘imperative’ supports Vincent’s claim that the mood of the verb in the *quod*–clause in Romance is sensitive to the semantics of the main verb. Furthermore, this category shows a tighter organisation of mood selection between indicative and subjunctive in the *quod*-clause than the previous one, presumably because ambiguity can arise if the mood of the verb is not selected properly. As for the rise of prepositional infinitives, it is interesting to see that *a* + infinitive has been innovated here in ‘imperative’ contexts, whereas with ‘declarative’ verbs only *de/di* + infinitive (and Spanish *en* + infinitive with verbs of fearing) is attested. Moreover, in the use of these prepositional infinitives as ‘imperative’ verbs there is no complementarity between *de/di/a* + infinitive and *quod* in terms of co-reference, since in both constructions the logical subject of the infinitive is the same.

Section 1.2.3: verbs that are always ‘imperative’:

Latin uses both the bare infinitive and *ut/ne*-clauses to express commands here (cf the previous category where some verbs use *ut/ne*-clause while others use bare infinitive to express commands- there, however, verbs could only choose one or the other, whereas here there are verbs that can choose both to express commands), and here there is no # functional difference between the two. However, not all verbs take both the bare infinitive and *ut/ne*-clause, and so I have divided my examples according to which complement structures they take.

Section 1.2.3.1: verbs that can take both the bare infinitive and *ut*-clause + subjunctive:

There are quite a few verbs that can take both the bare infinitive and *ut*-clause + subjunctive, and I have chosen two categories here: *verba imperandi et permittendi*.

Verba imperandi

Latin:

Accusative and infinitive:

75) Marcell-us arm-a propere cap-ere

Marcellus-NOM.SG arms-N.PL quickly take-INF
 milit-es... iub-et (Liv. 25,41,1)

soldier-ACC.PL order-3RD.SG

‘Marcellus orders his soldiers to take arms quickly.’

76) Quinque ei-usdem legionis reliqu-as

Five same-GEN.SG legion-GEN.SG remaining-FEM.PL

cohort-es profici-sci imper-at (Caes. Gall 7,60,3)

cohort-FEM.PLdepart-INF order-3RD.SG.PRES

‘He is ordering the five remaining cohorts of the same legion to depart.’

Ut-clause + subjunctive:

77) aud-ire iub-et uos imperat-or... histric-us
 listen-INF order-3SG.PRES you.ACC.PL commander-NOM.SG of.actors-NOM.SG
 bon-o-que ut anim-o sede-ant in subselli-is (Plaut. Poen. Prol 4-5)
 good-ABL.SG-and UT soul-ABL.SGsit-3PL.SUBJ on bench-ABL.PL

‘The commander of the actors orders you to listen and to sit on the benches with an attentive heart.’¹⁴

78) Apoll-o mihi... imper-at ut
 Apollo-NOM.SG me.DAT.SG order-3RD.SG.PRES UT
 ego illic oculos exur-am (Plaut Men. 840-1)
 I there eye-ACC.PL burn-1ST.SG

‘Apollo orders me to burn his eyes there.’

In Romance, there is evidence of the bare infinitive, *de/di* + infinitive, *a* + infinitive and

quod-clause + subjunctive in this usage:

Early Spanish:

¹⁴ This example shows the juxtaposition of an accusative and infinitive and an *ut*-clause + subjunctive as the object complement of the main verb ‘to order’ (*iubet*).

Bare infinitive:

79) Me mand-as finc-ar (SMill 61)
me.ACC order-2ND.PRES stop-INF
'You are ordering me to stop.'

De + infinitive:

80) Ellos ordena-van de pone-r (Cron 87a47)
They order-3RD.PL.IMPERF DE put-INF
'They ordered to put them on.'

Quod-clause + subjunctive:

81) Mando-me que lleg-asse
Order.3RD.PRET-me.ACC QUOD arrive-IMPERF.SUBJ
cerca de-l animal (Laz 19,28)
close from-the animal
'He ordered me to approach the animal.'

82) Orden-aron que anden en el Corral (Lib 35v)
Order-3RD.PL.PRET QUOD walk-3RD.PL.PRES.SUBJ on the Corral
'They ordered them to walk on the Corral.'

Early Italian:

Bare infinitive:

83) Comandò a Pompeio... veni-re (BonOro
6,8,408)
Order-3RD.SG.PRET to Pompeio come-INF
84) Quest-o dono ordinò offere-re
This.MASC.SG gift.MASC.SG order-3RD.SG.PRET offer-INF
Proserpina a sè (Lan 6,297,38)
Proserpina to REFL.PRO

infinitive.

Verba permittendi:¹⁵

Bare infinitive:

89) sin-e e-um modo uen-ire salu-om
(Plaut Most. 11-2)

Allow-IMPERATIVE him-ACC.SG soon come-INF safe-MASC.ACC.SG

‘Allow him to come home safe quickly.’

Ut-clause + subjunctive:

90) Neque enim d-i sin-ant ut... Belg-arum...

Not for god-NOM.PL allow-3RD.PL.SUBJ UT Belgians-GEN.PL

dec-us ist-ud et claritud-o sit... (Tac 1,43)

glory.NOM.SG that-N.NOM.SG and renown-NOM.SG be.3RD.SG.SUBJ

‘For may the gods not allow there to be that glory and renown of the Belgians.’

In Romance, either a bare infinitive or *de/di* + infinitive or a *quod*-clause is used.

Early Spanish:

Bare infinitive:

91) no permit-istes a mi lengua da-r fin

not allow-2ND.PL.PRET to my tongue give-INF end

y remate a otr-as razon-es (Eli 136,7)

and cap to other reason-PL

‘You did not allow my tongue to put an end and cap to other reasons.’

92) les non querie el consent-ir

Them.ACC not want.3RD.SG.IMPERF he agree-INF

de faz-er las trauessur-as (Cron 465a41)

DE do-INF the.FEM.PL travesty-PL

¹⁵ i.e. verbs of permitting.

‘He did not allow them to do the travesties.’

de + infinitive:

93) le otorg-ava de ge le da-r (Cron
371a47)

him.DAT.SG grant-3RD.SG.IMPERF DE him.DAT.SG it.ACC give-INF

‘He allowed him to give it to him.’

94) de bev-ir con varon-es mi ley

DE live-INF with man-PL my law

non me lex-a (Alix 1863)

not me.ACC leave-3RD.SG

‘My law does not allow me to live with men.’

Quod-clause + subjunctive:

95) No permitir-a que... se haya de

Not allow-FUT.3RD.SG QUOD REFL.PRO have-3RD.SG.SUBJ to

desconcert-ar (Cis 8,16)

disconcert-INF

‘He will not allow him to be disconcerted.’

Early Italian:

Bare infinitive:

96) ... se Idio li permett-esse fa-re (Gior 78,377)

If Idio them.ACC allow-3SG.IMPERF.SUBJ do-INF

‘... if Idio had allowed them to do.’

di + infinitive:

97) Conced-ette loro di fa-re (Zuc 1,484)

allow-2ND.PL them.ACC DI do-INF

‘You allow them to do.’

98) ... che me suffer-ino d’ aud-ire (Dan Vn 7,7,25,5)
That me.ACC allow-3RD.PL.PRES.SUBJ DI hear-INF

‘... that they should allow me to hear.’

Quod-clause + subjunctive:

99) si conced-e che uomo parl-i
REFL.PRO allow-3RD.SG QUOD man talk-3SG.SUBJ
di sé e poss-a di-re (Dan Cv 1,12,11)
about REFL.PRO and can-3SG.SUBJ speak-INF

‘It is allowed that a man can talk about himself and can speak.’

Once again, we see *quod* + subjunctive generalising at the expense of Latin *ut*-clause + subjunctive, and while the bare infinitive is retained, *de/di* + infinitive is brought into competition with it. This category also differs from the previous one in that there is no attestation of *a* + infinitive here.

Section 1.2.3.2: verbs that only take *ut*-clause in Latin:

In this category, I focus on two types of verb classes: *verba petendi et cogendi*.

Verba petendi:¹⁶

Latin:

100) nunc hoc uos rog-at ut lice-at
now this you.ACC.PL ask-3RD.SG UT allow-IMPERS.3RD.SG
posside-re h-anc nom-en fabul-am (Plaut. Trin. 20-1)
possess-INF this-FEM.ACC name-ACC.SG play-ACC.SG

‘Now he is asking you to allow this play to have a name.’

101) ... ut mor-s Sulpici-i Quirin-i public-is

¹⁶ i.e. verbs of seeking.

UT death-NOM.SG Sulpicius-GEN.SG Quirinus-GEN.SG public-ABL.PL

exequi-is frequentar-e-tur peti-uit (Tac 3,48,1)

rite-ABL.PL frequent-IMPERF.SUBJ-PASS ask-3RD.PERF

'He asked that the death of Sulpicius Quirinus be decorated with public rites.'

In Romance, however, these verbs are found with *de/di* + infinitive and a *quod*-clause + subjunctive.

Early Spanish:

Quod-clause + subjunctive:

102) después rueg-an a algun-os que
afterwards ask-3RD.PL to some-PL QUOD
les gan-en la entrada... (Lib 70v-71r)
them.DAT.PL gain-3RD.PL.SUBJ the.FEM.SG entrance

'afterwards they ask some people to gain the entrance for them.'

103) Pid-e a Dios que me preste
Ask-3RD.SG to God QUOD me.ACC lend-3RD.SG.SUBJ
aqu-el sufrimient-o (Rue 42,3)

That-MASC.SG suffering-MASC.SG

'He asks God to lend me that suffering.'

Early Italian:

di + infinitive:

104) di riman-ere con voi...
DI stay-INF with you.PL
ci preg-ate? (Tris 378)

us.ACC ask-2ND.PL.PRES

'Are you asking us to stay with you?'

quod-clause + subjunctive:

105)	intend-o	preg-are ...	che		
	intend-1ST.SG.PRES	ask-INF	QUOD		
	mi	soffer-ino	d'	aud-ire	(Dan Vn 7,7)
	me.ACC	allow-3RD.PL.PRES.SUBJ	DI	hear-INF	

'I intend to ask them to let me hear.'

Once again, there has been a generalisation of *quod*-subjunctive over original Latin *ut*-clause, and here *de/di*+ infinitive has arisen along with it. It should be noted that there is no example of prepositional infinitive with Spanish.

Verba cogendi:

Latin:

Ut-clause + subjunctive:

106)	viri	fortis	(est)	ne	suplici-is
	man-GEN.SG	brave-GEN.SG	be.3RD.SG	not	supplication-ABL.PL
	mov-eri	ut...	paeniteat (Cic Mil 82)		
	move-INF.PASS	UT	repent-3RD.SG.IMPERS.SUBJ		

107)	non	pot-es	tu	cog-ere	me
	not	can-2ND.SG	you	force-INF	me.ACC
	ut	tibi	maledic-am (Plaut. Most 893)		
	UT	you.DAT.SG	curse-1ST.SG.PRES.SUBJ		

In Romance, however, there are attestations for *de/di* + infinitive and *a* + infinitive.

Early Spanish:

a + infinitive:

108) pued-es mov-er a omne
 can-2ND.SG move-INF to man
 a f-er-lo (SLaur 39)
 A do-INF-it
 ‘You can get a man to do it.’

109) La virtud que me oblig-a
 The virtue-FEM.SG REL.PRO me.ACC oblige3RD.SG
 A s-er bueno (Men 64,1)
 A be-INF good
 ‘The virtue that obliges me to be good.’

Early Italian:

Di + infinitive:

110) Il constrinse di confess-are (Bon Oro, 6,18,408,15)
 He force-3RD.SG.PRET DI confess-INF
 ‘He forced to confess...’

111) M’ invit-a lo meo cor d’ am-are (Gui 32,536,5,5)
 Me invite-3RD.SG the my heart DI love-INF
 ‘My heart invites me to love.’

A + infinitive:

112) Mo-sse Boezio... a parl-are (Dan Con 1,2,11,10)
 Move-3RD.SG.PRET Boezio A speak-INF
 ‘He moved Boezio to speak.’

113)	Sua	condizione	mi	string-e	
	His-FEM.SG	condition-FEM.SG	me.ACC	force-3RD.SG.PRES	
	a	seguit-are			(Dan Pd 6,30)
	A	follow-INF			
					'His condition forces me to follow.'

What is striking in this category is the lack of *quod*-clause + subjunctive. Furthermore, there seems to be some mismatch in terms of the choice of prepositional infinitive, for while Spanish prefers *a* + infinitive, Italian shows signs of using both.

Conclusion to 1.2.3:

The most notable change from Latin to Romance is the use of *quod* + subjunctive for original *ut* – clause + subjunctive to express commands (although *quod* + subjunctive is not found with *verba cogendi* where the burden is held entirely by prepositional infinitives, namely *de/di* + infinitive and *a* + infinitive). Furthermore, this chapter has seen the rise of *de/di* + infinitive and *a* + infinitives to express commands, and there are some interesting deviations between early Spanish and early Italian: with *verba imperandi*, early Italian prefers *a* + infinitive whereas early Spanish prefers *de* + infinitive; with *verba petendi*, while early Spanish uses *quod* + subjunctive, Italian shows attestations for *di* + infinitive; with *verba cogendi*, early Spanish uses *a* + infinitive while early Italian uses both *di* + infinitive and *a* + infinitive. These may suggest dialectal patterns in proto-Romance, and their subsequent evolution will be taken up in chapter 3.

Conclusion to chapter 1: complement patterns from Latin to Romance:

Now that we have had a survey of the complement patterns, we can tabulate them thus:

Table 1: Complement patterns from Latin to Romance:

	Latin	Spanish	Italian
Complement as the subject of the verb (coreference)	Bare infinitive (co-reference)	Bare infinitive <i>De</i> + infinitive <i>A</i> + infinitive (with <i>convenir</i>)	Bare infinitive <i>Di</i> + infinitive <i>A</i> + infinitive (spurious with <i>accadere</i> and <i>rimanere</i>)
Complement as the subject of the verb (no coreference)	Accusative and infinitive, <i>quod</i> + indicative, <i>ut</i> -clause + subjunctive	<i>Quod</i> + indicative or subjunctive (according to semantics of verb)	<i>Quod</i> + indicative or subjunctive (according to semantics of verb)
Complement as the object of the main verb (declarative- verb of thinking) (coreference)	Accusative and infinitive <i>Quod</i> + indicative	Bare infinitive <i>De</i> + infinitive Accusative and infinitive <i>Quod</i> + indicative/subjunctive	Bare infinitive, <i>Di</i> + infinitive Accusative and infinitive <i>Quod</i> + indicative and subjunctive
Complement as the object of the main verb (declarative- verb of thinking) (no coreference)	Accusative and infinitive <i>Quod</i> + indicative	Accusative and infinitive <i>Quod</i> + indicative /subjunctive	Accusative and infinitive <i>Quod</i> + indicative /subjunctive
Complement as the object of the main verb (declarative- verb of fearing) (coreference)	Bare infinitive, accusative and infinitive, <i>quod</i> + indicative, <i>ut/ne</i> + subjunctive	Bare infinitive, <i>de</i> + infinitive, <i>quod</i> + indicative/subjunctive	Bare infinitive, <i>di</i> + infinitive, <i>quod</i> + subjunctive
Complement as the object of the main verb (declarative- verb of fearing (no coreference)	accusative and infinitive, <i>quod</i> + indicative, <i>ut/ne</i> + subjunctive	<i>quod</i> + indicative/subjunctive	<i>quod</i> + subjunctive
Complement as the object of the main verb (declarative/imperative)	Declarative: Accusative and infinitive Imperative: <i>Ut</i> -clause + subjunctive, bare infinitive	Declarative: bare infinitive, accusative and infinitive, <i>quod</i> + indicative Imperative: <i>quod</i> + subjunctive, bare infinitive, <i>de</i> + subjunctive, <i>a</i> + inf	Declarative: <i>di</i> + infinitive, accusative and infinitive, <i>quod</i> + indicative/subjunctive Imperative: <i>quod</i> + subjunctive, bare infinitive, <i>di</i> + infinitive, <i>a</i> + inf

Complement as the object of the main verb (ordering)	Bare infinitive <i>Ut</i> -clause + subjunctive	<i>quod</i> + subjunctive, <i>de</i> + infinitive	<i>quod</i> + subjunctive, <i>a</i> + infinitive
Complement as the object (permitting)	Bare infinitive <i>Ut</i> -clause + subj	Bare infinitive, <i>de</i> + infinitive, <i>quod</i> + subj	Bare infinitive, <i>di</i> + infinitive, <i>quod</i> + subj
Complement as the object of the main verb (asking)	<i>Ut</i> -clause + subjunctive	<i>quod</i> + subjunctive	<i>di</i> + infinitive, <i>quod</i> + subjunctive
Complement as the object of the main verb (<i>cogendi</i>)	<i>Ut</i> -clause + subjunctive	<i>A</i> + infinitive	<i>Di</i> + infinitive, <i>a</i> + infinitive

Several remarks can be made: *quod*-clause (+ indicative /subjunctive according to context) has completely supplanted Latin accusative and infinitive and *ut*-clause + subjunctive, and it is very often used along with *de/di* + infinitive and *a* + infinitive. Vincent's claim (1988:68) that these two prepositional infinitives emerged along with the generalisation of *quod*-clause has therefore received empirical support. However, Vincent's other claim that *de* and *quod* alternate according to the presence and absence of co-reference respectively has not received empirical confirmation, since non-coreferentiality cannot be assumed for *quod*-clauses like coreferentiality can be for infinitives (see note 10). As for the two prepositional infinitives, with the exception of *verba cogendi*, the distribution of *de/di* + infinitive is far wider than *a* + infinitive, since, with the exception of Spanish *verba cogendi*, wherever *a* + infinitive occurs *de/di* + infinitive occurs as well, and there are many slots in which *de/di* + infinitive, but not *a* + infinitive, occurs, namely non-imperative contexts since *a* + infinitive is only restricted to imperative contexts. All this seems to conform with the original meaning of these two prepositions: Latin *ad* denotes 'direction towards' (Hofmann and Szantyr (1972:219), whereas Latin *de* is topic-marker since it means 'about' (Hofmann and Szantyr (1972:261-2). These meanings suggest that Latin *ad* denotes a strong sense of futurity and is apt for being used as a complementiser in indirect commands- Vincent's remarks about Romance *a* + infinitive (1988:68) have therefore been confirmed by the data. Latin *de*, however, is semantically rather weak as a

marker of topic since it merely creates more emphasis on its nominal complement, and as such it is possible to understand why it enjoys such a wide distribution as a complementiser in Romance since it is probably compatible with the semantics of any construction.

More will be said about the origins of Romance prepositional infinitives in the next chapter.

Chapter 2: Latin > Romance- the rise of prepositional infinitives:

The previous chapter has given us plenty of evidence of the Romance innovation of prepositional infinitives, especially that of *de/di* + infinitive and *a* + infinitive, which occur regularly in all the complement patterns analysed. In this chapter, I propose to analyse the syntactic status of these prepositional infinitives and trace their origins.

Section 2.1: preposition or complementiser?

Infinitives are verbal nouns, and as such the use of prepositions in prepositional infinitives is ambiguous, for it is unclear whether they are functioning as prepositions taking a nominal complement or a complementiser taking a clausal complement. However, there have been some proposals as to how one can distinguish the two e.g. Benucci (1992:23-6) and Skytte (1983:31), both of whom propose that if the preposition in question is only followed by a infinitive and not by a noun in a particular construction, it should be regarded as a complementiser and not a preposition e.g. Mod Italian *credo di fare questo* 'I believe that I am doing something' is grammatical, but **credo di questo* is not (whereas *credo questo* 'I believe this' is) (Benucci (1992:23)), and so the use of *di* + infinitive after *credo* should be regarded as a complementiser. Given that there are no attestations of any of our prepositional infinitives taking nominal complements in their respective construction, it can be assumed that they are all complementisers rather than prepositions.

Our next goal should therefore be to account for the grammaticalisation, and the theoretical model I propose to use is Minimalism.

Section 2.2: Grammaticalisation and Minimalism:

The latest treatment of grammaticalisation within the Minimalist framework is Roberts and Roussou (2003). In that work, they are using Lightfoot's model of language change (1998) as the basis of their argument (Roberts and Roussou (2003:1). Lightfoot (1998:chapter 3) argues that the formation of the internal grammar of any language is achieved during first language acquisition, and he identifies three components in this process (1998:66-68): 1) the child's linguistic environment which serves as the input for the formation of the child's internal language (I-L) 2) the principles and parameters of Universal Grammar (UG), the former of which allow the child to analyse his/her linguistic environment and to set the values of the latter 3) the linguistic output i.e. the child's I-L, which is the result of first language acquisition. Lightfoot's model of language change therefore predicts that the evolution of languages should be in the form of 'random walks' i.e. there should be no common trends in the linguistic history of unrelated languages, since Lightfoot argues (1998:66) that the linguistic environment is different for each child and the child's analysis of his/her linguistic environment is entirely random and haphazard. In the absence of language contact where children who speak two different languages share the same linguistic environment, there is no reason why two children should form I-Ls of a similar kind and so there should not be any cross-linguistic trends.

This prediction, however, is incompatible with the phenomenon of grammaticalisation, since grammaticalisation is precisely one of those trends that occur cross-linguistically (see Heine and Kuteva (2002) for cross-linguistic examples of grammaticalisation). Roberts and Roussou (2003:2) therefore modify Lightfoot's model slightly and argue that grammaticalisation always involves structural simplification, and since UG, according to Roberts (2001), has a predilection for simpler syntactic structures in its analysis of the child's linguistic environment, grammaticalisation can occur cross-linguistically. A prototypical case of grammaticalisation is the rise of English modals, which is described by Roberts and Roussou (2003:40-1) thus:

[_{TP} Sone [_{TP} hit mæi [_{VP} t_{mæi} [_{TP} T [_{VP} ilimpen]]]]] > [_{TP} Soon [_{TP} it may [_{VP} happen]]]

As seen, the newer structure is simpler than the older one in that it has fewer branches, and as such there has been a loss of syntactic movement (namely the movement from V to T of *mæi* in the original structure) with the result that *mæi* is directly merged under a higher syntactic position (T). Roberts and Roussou's characterisation of grammaticalisation as structural simplification, therefore, entails that UG prefers merging the grammaticalised element directly onto a higher syntactic position to employing syntactic movement that transfers the grammaticalised element upwards.

However, of the three categories of grammaticalisation that Roberts and Roussou analyse,¹⁷ the grammaticalisation that results in the formation of complementisers (C-elements) has turned out to be the most problematic, since it is not always the case that the grammaticalisation process that results in the formation of C-elements involves an 'upward' shift of syntactic elements. A good example of the grammaticalisation that results in the formation of a complementiser is the grammaticalisation of English *to* in *to*-infinitives, which is particularly relevant for this dissertation since it involves a shift from preposition to complementiser (P > C), just like Latin/Romance *de* and *ad*. Roberts and Roussou (2003:105) schematise the grammaticalisation thus:

VP [_{PP} to [_{DP} V + enne]] > [_{VP} V [_{CP} [_{MP} to [_{TP} [T V + enne]]]]]]

As shown, the grammaticalisation that results in the formation of English *to* is problematic in two ways: 1) the end structure is actually syntactically bigger than the previous one, although Roberts and Roussou (2003:105) still maintain that there has been structural simplification since there has been a change from an adjunct (VP PP) to a complement (V CP)- this issue is unresolved and will not be dealt further here 2) there has been a 'downward' shift/movement of the grammaticalised element, since *to* as a

¹⁷ Roberts and Roussou (2003) divide their Minimalist analysis of grammaticalisation into three sections: T-elements, C-elements and D-elements. Within the Minimalist framework, the first one corresponds to verbal inflections, the second to complementisers and the last one to determiners of nouns.

complementiser occupies the MP position in the hierarchy of C-elements, which is a relatively low position. The grammaticalisation of English *to* in *to*-infinitives, therefore, is problematic. Roberts and Roussou's explanation for all this (2003:106) is that as English *to*-infinitive developed at the expense of *that*-clauses with the subjunctive in Middle English (see Los (1999:chapter 12)), there was an upward shift of the original modal content of the subjunctive inflection (i.e. T) to a higher complementiser position (M) and so there was still some kind of 'upward' shift and hence conforms with the Minimalist conception of grammaticalisation. Such is the Minimalist characterisation of the grammaticalisation of C-elements.¹⁸ How does the grammaticalisation of Latin *de* and *ad* correlate with all this?

Section 2.3: the grammaticalisation of Latin *de* and *ad*:

It so happens that scholars have investigated the C-domain of the Romance languages, and Rizzi (1997:288) gives the following hierarchy:

... Force... (Topic)... (Focus)... FinP¹⁹

In identifying the relative positions of the various complementisers in the Romance languages, Rizzi (1997:288) postulates this:

[_{Force P} *que/che*... (Topic)... (Focus)... [_{FinP} *de/ad* [TP...]]]]]

This hierarchy is confirmed by the following examples (taken from Rizzi (1997:288)):

114) Cred-o che loro apprezz-erebbero molto
 believe-1ST.SG.PRES QUOD they appreciate-3RD.PL.COND much
 Il tu-o libro.
 The your-MASC.SG book.MASC.SG
 'I believe that they would appreciate your book very much.'

115) Cred-o di apprezz-are molto

¹⁸ A similar upward shift of modal content (subjunctive tense specifically) from T to C has been postulated by Roberts and Roussou for the grammaticalisation of Calabrian *mu* (Roberts and Roussou (2003:97)) and Greek *ina* (Roberts and Roussou (2003:85)), and so this shift of subjunctive property (an irrealis mood marker) from T to C seems to be the underlying property in the Minimalist analysis of the grammaticalisation of C-elements (see Roberts and Roussou (2003:129)).

¹⁹ This Fin IP is equivalent to the MP in the analysis of English *to*-infinitive.

Believe-1ST.SG.PRES DI appreciate-INF much
il tu-o libro.

The your-MASC.SG book.MASC.SG.

'I believe that I would appreciate your book very much.'

116) Cred-o che il tu-o libro

Believe-1ST.SG.PRES QUOD the your-MASC.SG book-MASC.SG

loro lo apprezzar-ebbero molto

they it appreciate-3RD.PL.COND much

'I believe that, as for your book, they would appreciate it very much.'

117) *Cred-o il tu-o libro

Believe-1ST.SG.PRES the your-MASC.SG book.MASC.SG

che loro lo apprezzerebbero molto

QUOD they it appreciate-3RD.PL.COND much

'I believe, your book, that they would appreciate it very much.'

118) *Credo di il tuo libro

Believe-1ST.SG.PRES DI the your-MASC.SG book.MASC.SG

apprezz-ar-lo molto

appreciate-INF-it much

'I believe 'of' your book, to appreciate it very much.'

119) *Credo il tuo libro

Believe-1ST.SG.PRES the your.MASC.SG book.MASC.SG

di apprezz-ar-lo molto

DI appreciate-INF-it much

'I believe, your book, 'of' to appreciate it very much.'

In these six examples, the first three are grammatical while the last three are not, and the fact that the *quod*-clause can come before the topicalised element (*il tuo libro*) but the *di* + infinitive (functioning as a complementiser) cannot has led Rizzi (1997) to argue that *di* (and *ad*) must be placed lower than *que/che* in the hierarchy of C-elements. The grammaticalisation of Latin *de* + infinitive and *ad* + infinitive from prepositions to complementisers, therefore, can be schematised thus:

VP [_{PP} *de/ad* [_{DP} V + *enne*]] > [_{VP} V [_{CP} [_{FinP} *de/ad* [_{TP} ...]]]]]²⁰

As with the grammaticalisation of English *to*-infinitives, the end structure is actually bigger than the original one and there has been a 'downward' shift in the position of Latin/Romance *de* and *ad*. Furthermore, if we apply Roberts and Roussou's defence of the grammaticalisation of C-elements to the grammaticalisation of *de* and *ad* here, it is possible to argue that the original content of the verbal inflection of the otherwise finite complement clause (i.e. the original T-element) has been shifted upwards from T to FinP. There is, therefore, a close comparison between Roberts and Roussou's analysis of the grammaticalisation of C-elements and the grammaticalisation of Latin *de* and *ad*.

However, there is a key difference between the Roberts and Roussou's analysis of C-elements and the grammaticalisation of Latin/Romance *de* and *ad*, and that is Roberts and Roussou's examples of C-elements all involve the demise of subjunctives (the subjunctive tense died out in Greek, Calabrian and English, and this death is held to be intimately

²⁰ The issue of whether the original structure involved a VP and a PP adjunct or not is a matter of conjecture, since, unlike the history of English *to*-infinitives, there has been no systematic analysis or collection of data for the grammaticalisation of Latin/Romance *de* + infinitive and *a* + infinitive, and so the original state of affairs is unknown.

related to the grammaticalisation of Greek *na*, Calabrian *mu* and English *to*). In the transition from Latin to Romance, however, the original Latin subjunctive has not been lost but has even expanded in its usage in *quod*-clauses (see Vincent (1988:68)). The grammaticalisation of Latin/Romance *de* and *ad* therefore is not exactly the same as the other cases. Furthermore, while *ad* is only employed in contexts that denote futurity (i.e. indirect commands) where the corresponding *quod*-clause employs a subjunctive, *de* is not since it is also employed in contexts (namely ‘declarative’ contexts) where subjunctive is not obligatory (see sections 1.2.1 and 1.2.2), and in the case of *de*, there has been an ‘upward’ shift not of the subjunctive irrealis marker from T to C but that of the indicative content. The grammaticalisation of Latin/Romance *de* and *ad* therefore is similar yet different from Roberts and Roussou’s analysis of C-elements, and as such it offers new insights into the Minimalist approach towards the grammaticalisation of C-elements.

Conclusion to chapter 2:

The grammaticalisation of C-elements has posed a problem for linguists of the Minimalist persuasion since it is not always a case of structural simplification where the end product is structurally simpler (i.e. syntactically smaller) than the previous one, and the grammaticalisation of Romance *de* and *ad* conforms to this problem in that the traditional analysis (e.g. Rizzi 1997) of the Romance C-domain does entail that there would have been a downward ‘shift’ in terms of the position of *de* and *ad*. Furthermore, while Roberts and Roussou’s three case-studies of the grammaticalisation of C-elements are closely related to the death of the subjunctive mood in the respective languages, this is not the case in Romance, and in the case of *de*, there may have been an ‘upward’ shift of the indicative mood marker. The grammaticalisation of Latin/Romance *de* and *ad* is therefore a fascinating syntactic change that deserves more research.

Chapter 3: Modern Spanish vs Modern Italian:

Now that we have dealt with the transition from Latin to Romance, it is perhaps apt

to ‘complete the story’ by tracing the evolution of prepositional infinitives from early Romance to modern Romance. The similarities and differences between the use of prepositional infinitives in the history of these two languages will also shed light on Romance dialectalisation. Let’s first remind ourselves of the configurations of prepositional infinitives in early Romance:

Table 1: Complement patterns from Latin to Romance:

	Latin	Spanish	Italian
Complement as the subject of the verb (coreference)	Bare infinitive (co-reference)	Bare infinitive <i>De</i> + infinitive <i>A</i> + infinitive (with <i>convenir</i>)	Bare infinitive <i>Di</i> + infinitive <i>A</i> + infinitive (spurious with <i>accadere</i> and <i>rimanere</i>)
Complement as the subject of the verb (no coreference)	Accusative and infinitive, <i>quod</i> + indicative, <i>ut</i> -clause + subjunctive	<i>Quod</i> + indicative or subjunctive (according to semantics of verb)	<i>Quod</i> + indicative or subjunctive (according to semantics of verb)
Complement as the object of the main verb (declarative- verb of thinking) (coreference)	Accusative and infinitive <i>Quod</i> + indicative	Bare infinitive <i>De</i> + infinitive Accusative and infinitive <i>Quod</i> + indicative/subjunctive	Bare infinitive, <i>Di</i> + infinitive Accusative and infinitive <i>Quod</i> + indicative and subjunctive
Complement as the object of the main verb (declarative- verb of thinking) (no coreference)	Accusative and infinitive <i>Quod</i> + indicative	Accusative and infinitive <i>Quod</i> + indicative /subjunctive	Accusative and infinitive <i>Quod</i> + indicative /subjunctive
Complement as the object of the main verb (declarative- verb of fearing) (coreference)	Bare infinitive, accusative and infinitive, <i>quod</i> + indicative, <i>ut/ne</i> + subjunctive	Bare infinitive, <i>de</i> + infinitive, <i>quod</i> + indicative/subjunctive	Bare infinitive, <i>di</i> + infinitive, <i>quod</i> + subjunctive
Complement as the object of the main verb (declarative- verb of fearing) (no coreference)	accusative and infinitive, <i>quod</i> + indicative, <i>ut/ne</i> + subjunctive	<i>quod</i> + indicative/subjunctive	<i>quod</i> + subjunctive
Complement as the object of the main verb (declarative/imperative)	Declarative: Accusative and infinitive Imperative:	Declarative: bare infinitive, accusative and infinitive, <i>quod</i> + indicative	Declarative: <i>di</i> + infinitive, accusative and infinitive, <i>quod</i> + indicative/subjunctive

	<i>Ut</i> -clause + subjunctive, bare infinitive	Imperative: <i>quod</i> + subjunctive, bare infinitive, <i>de</i> + subjunctive, <i>a</i> + inf	Imperative: <i>quod</i> + subjunctive, bare infinitive, <i>di</i> + infinitive, <i>a</i> + inf
Complement as the object of the main verb (ordering)	Bare infinitive <i>Ut</i> -clause + subjunctive	<i>quod</i> + subjunctive, <i>de</i> + infinitive	<i>quod</i> + subjunctive, <i>a</i> + infinitive
Complement as the object of the main verb (permitting)	Bare infinitive <i>Ut</i> -clause + subjunctive	Bare infinitive, <i>de</i> + infinitive, <i>quod</i> + subjunctive	Bare infinitive, <i>di</i> + infinitive, <i>quod</i> + subjunctive
Complement as the object of the main verb (asking)	<i>Ut</i> -clause + subjunctive	<i>quod</i> + subjunctive	<i>di</i> + infinitive, <i>quod</i> + subjunctive
Complement as the object of the main verb (cogendi)	<i>Ut</i> -clause + subjunctive	<i>A</i> + infinitive	<i>Di</i> + infinitive, <i>a</i> + infinitive

The distribution of prepositional infinitives in modern Romance, however, is very different.

Section 3.1: modern Spanish:

Spanish goes as far as it can to delete the *de* + infinitive, since it is no longer found with impersonal verbs (120), (121)), verbs of thinking, verbs of fearing, verbs of ordering:

120) Que me plac-e oír-le
How me.DAT.SG please-3RD.SG.IMPERS INF-him.DAT
Es-a expresión devot-a (Belarmino 93)
That-FEM.SG expression.FEM.SG devout-FEM.SG
‘How it pleases me to hear that devout expression from him.’ (cf 5) where *plazer* takes *de* + infinitive in early Spanish)

121) A determinad-as edad-es
At certain-FEM.PL age-FEM.PL
Convien-e dorm-ir (Amistades 21)
Suit.3RD.SG.IMPERS.PRES sleep-INF
‘At certain ages it is suitable to sleep.’ (cf 15 where *convenir* takes *a* + infinitive)

122) ... cre-í encontr-ar una extraña

Believe-1ST.SG.PRET find-INF a.FEM.SG strange-FEM.SG

Expresión (Variaciones 25)
expression.FEM.SG

'I believed that I found a strange expression.' (cf 23 where *creer* is used with *de* + infinitive)

123) Tem-í quedar-me dormid-o (Tormenta 45)

fear-1ST.SG.PRET stay-REFL.PRO asleep-MASC.SG

'I was afraid of staying asleep.' (cf 40 where *temer* is used with *de*+ infinitive)

124) El principio de-l honor orden-a mat-ar (Martes 19)

The prince of-the honourorder-3RD.SG kill-INF

'The prince of honour orders killing.' (cf 80) where there is *ordenar de* + infinitive).

The only exception to this elimination of *de* + infinitive is the use of *decir de* + infinitive (verb of saying) to express commands. Since in early Spanish there is no attestation for such a usage, it seems possible that modern Spanish has inserted this *de* in order to distinguish *decir* 'to command' from *decir* 'to say', the latter of which has always taken the bare infinitive:

125) Me dij-o de hac-er-me su amiga

Me.DAT tell-3RD.SG.PRET DE make-INF-me his friend
(Retablo 31)

'He told me to make me (=become) his friend.'

By contrast, the verbs of teaching and compelling (*verba docendi et cogendi*) that take *a* + infinitive in early Spanish still do

in modern Spanish:

126) El cura le enseñ-a a habl-ar (Forja 11)

The priest him.ACC teach-3RD.SG.PRES A speak-INF (cf 70))

'The priest is teaching him to speak.' (cf 70).

127) Hay que oblig-ar-le a ped-ir la absoluta
 Have.3RD.SG.IMPERS QUE oblige-INF-him A ask-INFthe absolute
 'It is necessary to oblige him to ask for the absolute.' (cf 109)) (Martes 200)

128) El incentivo que me mueve a escrib-ir
 The incentive REL.PRO me.ACC move.3RD.SGA write-INF
 'The incentive that moves me to write.' (cf 108)) (Morir 14)

In the history of Spanish, therefore, there has been a drastic reduction of *de* + infinitive and a consequent rise of bare infinitives. *A* + infinitive, on the other hand, remains constant.

Section 3.2: Modern Italian:

Modern Italian, on the other hand, seems to have strengthened its use of *di* + infinitive, as these figures show for the verb of thinking (Skytte (1983:119-120 n.8)):

Table 2:

1200s:	
credo + Inf	61%
credo + <i>di</i> Inf	39%
1400s:	
credo +Inf	73%
credo + <i>di</i> Inf	27%
1600s:	
credo + Inf	28%
credo + <i>di</i> Inf	72%
1700s:	
credo + Inf	7%
credo + <i>di</i> Inf	93%
1900s:	
credo +Inf	2%
credo + <i>di</i> Inf	98%

The result of which is that there is no longer *di* + infinitive and bare infinitive alternation with the verb of thinking (128) or the verb of fearing (129):

129) ... quando creder-ai d' av-er-li trovati

When believe-2ND.SG.FUT DI have-INF-themfound-MASC.PL²¹

'when you believe that you have found them.' (Fenoglio: Ventitré p. 119)

(cf 27) where *credere* is used with the bare infinitive)

130) Non tem-evo di pecc-are (Fenoglio Ventitré p. 143)

Not fear-1SG.SG.IMPERF DI sin-INF

'I was not afraid of sinning.' (cf 44) where *temere* is followed by a bare inf.)

This Italian predilection for *di* + infinitive can also be seen in the spread of *di* + infinitive to the use of *dire* 'to command' (130) and other verbs of ordering and permitting:

131) Dim-mi di non part-ire... (Manzini: La sparv p. 139)

Tell-me.DAT DI not leave-INF

'Tell me not to leave.' (cf 62) where *quod* + subjunctive is used)

132)

Ordinò al-la cugina di restituir-gli

Order-3RD.SG.PRET to-the cousin DI restore-him.DAT

(Morante: M. e s. p. 167)

'He ordered his cousin to restore it for him.' (cf 84) where a bare infinitive is used and 85) where *a* + infinitive is used with *ordinare*)

However, with the *verba cogendi*, there has been a generalisation of *a* + infinitive, since verbs in this category that previously took *di* + infinitive are now attested with *a* + infinitive:

133) Constring-endo-lo a lasci-are

Force-PRES.PART-it A leave-INF

la scuola... (Morante (M e s. p. 230)

²¹ *Credere* + bare infinitive does occur in modern Italian, but mainly when there is a predicate e.g.

non credette necessario parl-ar-ne (Morante: M e s. p. 354)

not believe-2ND.PL necessary talk-INF-it

'You do not believe it to be necessary to talk about it.'

and also in very literary (and hence archaising) style. (see Skytte (1983:127).

the school

‘forcing him to leave school’ (cf 110) where *costringere* is constructed with *di* + infinitive)

134) Il padrone lo

The owner him.ACC

Invit-ava ad accomod-ar-si (Morante M e s. 208)

Invite-3RD.SG.IMPERF A accomodate-INF-REFL.PRO

‘The owner was inviting him to accomodate himself.’ (cf 111) where *invitare* is constructed with *di* + infinitive).

Such are the main trends in the history of Spanish and Italian prepositional infinitive, and it is interesting to see that *de/di* + infinitive and *a* + infinitive have had very different fates in the history of these two languages: the former dies in Spanish and grows in Italian, while the latter is retained in Spanish and strengthened in Italian. It seems that there has been very little dialectal interaction between Spanish and Italian here.

Conclusion:

In this dissertation I have tried to trace the evolution of Romance prepositional infinitives by comparing the syntactic structures of Latin and early Romance. My comparison does not imply that there was a straightforward one-to-one relationship in the evolution of Latin constructions to Romance, since this would dangerously oversimplify historical linguistics. However, this comparison has allowed us to see what innovations early Romance has made, and the two most important themes in this dissertation are 1) the generalisation of *quod*-clause and 2) the rise of *de/di* + infinitive and *a* + infinitive. The Minimalist analysis of the grammaticalisation process is also interesting since apart from conforming with the Minimalist approach towards the grammaticalisation of C-elements, the grammaticalisation of *de/di* + infinitive has revealed another type of upward ‘shift’, namely that of the

indicative mood. I hope that I have given a clear analysis of the history of Romance prepositional infinitives.

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Appendix: Primary texts:

Latin:

Aug debe	Augustine: <i>De beata vita</i>
Aug con	Augustine: <i>Confessiones</i>
Caes Gall	Caesar: <i>Bellum Gallicum</i>
Cat	Catullus: <i>Carmina</i>
Cic Att	Cicero: <i>Epistulae ad Atticum</i>
Cic Catil	Cicero: <i>In Catilinam</i>
Cic Fam	Cicero: <i>Epistulae ad familiares</i>
Cic Mil	Cicero: <i>Pro Milone</i>
Cic Nat Deo	Cicero: <i>De natura deorum</i>
Cic Phil	Cicero: <i>Phillipics</i>
Cic Verr	Cicero: <i>In Verrem</i>
Hier	Hieron: <i>Latin Vulgate</i>
Hor	Horace: <i>Epistulae</i>
Jer	Jerome: <i>Epistulae</i>
Liv	Livy: <i>Historiae</i>
Petron	Petronius: <i>Satyricon</i>
Plaut Asin	Plautus: <i>Asinaria</i>
Plaut Men	Plautus: <i>Menaechmi</i>
Plaut Mil	Plautus: <i>Miles Gloriosus</i>
Plaut Most	Plautus: <i>Mostellaria</i>
Plaut Poen	Plautus: <i>Poenulus</i>
Plaut Trin	Plautus: <i>Trinummus</i>
Pliny Ep	Pliny: <i>Epistulae</i>
Tac	Tacitus: <i>Annales</i>
Ter Andr	Terence: <i>Andria</i>

Ter Haut	Terence: <i>Heauton Timorumenos</i>
Sen Nat	Seneca Minor: <i>Quaestiones Naturales</i>
<u>Early Spanish:</u>	
Alix	Anonymous: <i>El Libro de Alixandre</i>
Avi	Avila, J: <i>Epistolario espiritual</i>
Cap	Fernández de Córdoba, G.: <i>Cartas del Gran Capitán</i>
Cid	Anonymous: <i>Cantar del mio Cid</i>
Cis	Jiménez de Cisneros, F.: <i>Cartas dirigidas a don Diego López de Ayala</i>
Cor	Cortés, H.: <i>Segunda carta-relación al Emperador</i>
Cron	Anonymous: <i>Primera Crónica General</i>
Eli	Muñón, S: <i>Tragicomedia de Lisandro y Rosalia, llamada Elicia</i>
Laz	Anonymous: <i>La vida de Lazarillo de Tormes</i>
Lib	Anonymous: <i>Libro de los Ordenamientos de la ciudad de Sevilla</i>
Loor	Gonzalo de Berceo: <i>Loores de Nuestra Sennora</i>
Men	Guevara, A.: <i>Menosprecio de corte y alabanza de aldea</i>
Mor	Morales, A.: <i>Los quince discursos</i>
Oli	Pérez de Oliva, H: <i>Teatro</i>
Que	Anonymous: <i>Question de amor de dos enamorados</i>
Rue	Rueda, L: <i>Teatro</i>
San Pro	D. Yñigo Lopez de Mendoça: <i>Los proverbios de D. Yñigo Lopez de Mendoça con su glosa.</i>
SDom	Gonzalo de Berceo: <i>La vida del Sancto Domingo de Silos</i>
SLaur	Gonzalo de Berceo: <i>El Martyrio de Sant Laurençio</i>
SMill	Gonzalo de Berceo: <i>La Estoria de Sennor Sant Millan</i>
Ter	Teresa de Jesús: <i>La vida de la madre Teresa de Jesús, escrita de su misma mano</i>

Early Italian:

Alb	L. B. Alberti: <i>I libri della Famiglia</i>
Bon Oro	Bono Giamboni: <i>Orosio</i>
Bon Tra	Bono Giamboni: <i>Trattato</i>
Bon Vi	Bono Giamboni: <i>Vizi e Virtudi</i>
Bru Ret	Brunetto Latini: <i>Rettorica</i>
Dan Cv	Dante Alighieri: <i>Convivio</i>
Dan If	Dante Alighieri: <i>Inferno</i>
Dan Rime	Dante Alighieri: <i>Rime</i>
Dan Pd	Dante Alighieri: <i>Paradiso</i>
Dan Pg	Dante Alighieri: <i>Purgatorio</i>
Dan Vn	Dante Alighieri: <i>Vita Nuova</i>
Gior	Giordano da Pisa: <i>Quaresimale Fiorentino</i>
Gui	Guido Cavalcanti: <i>Donna me prega</i>
Lan	Lancia, A.: <i>Eneide volgarizzata</i>
Lett Fior	Anonymous: <i>Lettera Fiorentina</i>
Nov	Anonymous: <i>Novellino</i>
Stat	Anonymous: <i>Stat. Fiorentino</i>
Tes	Anonymous: <i>Testi Fiorentini</i>
Teso	Anonymous: <i>Tesoro di Brunetto Latini volgarizzato</i>
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Zuc	Zucchero: <i>Pater Parte non numerata</i>

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