Conjunctive adverbs in Ancient Greek

Position and development of conjunctive functions

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Abstract

Conjunctive adverbs have generally been neglected in Ancient Greek grammars. In this language, textual cohesion is mostly assured by a battery of connective particles. While connective particles exhibit fixed position, conjunctive adverbs show a certain degree of positional variability. They usually take initial position, as well as medial position when preceded by a preposed constituent. Final position is very rare and most instances are due to ellipsis. This is comparable to the early phases of the development of similar adverbs in other languages.

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1 Introduction

The purpose of this paper is to study the position of conjunctive adverbs in Ancient Greek, more precisely in classical and postclassical texts. Conjunctive adverbs are a morphosyntactic type of discourse marker with connecting functions, cf. Crespo (2011); Martín Zorraquino (2010: 121–129). The position of...
these elements has received attention in recent years, but those studies have mostly focused on modern languages whose word order does not always coincide with Ancient Greek’s. Nevertheless, as discussed below, different adverbs’ development of conjunctive functions in those languages shows a series of characteristics that can be compared to the development of similar functions by Ancient Greek adverbs. It must be noted that this paper’s claims are exemplified by three adverbs that show a high degree of pragmaticalisation as conjunctive devices: 2 hómōs ‘however, though’, proséti ‘besides’ and hōsaútōs ‘similarly, likewise’. This degree of pragmaticalisation is the main reason of this choice, since it allows for a more accurate analysis of their position than with other items. 3 It is not always easy to determine the conjunctive status of the examples when the adverb is not fully pragmaticalised. This becomes clear in the analysis of hōsaútōs, since the pragmaticalisation of the conjunctive sequence hṑsd’aútōs gives way to a new adverb which also acquired non-conjunctive functions. Be that as it may, another highly pragmaticalised item like aû has not been included because of its postpositive nature. On eîta and épeîta, see Jiménez Delgado (2014).

The first issue to be addressed is the distinction between conjunctive adverbs and other connecting devices, especially coordinating conjunctions and particles. One of the most striking features of Ancient Greek is the fact that independent sentences are generally linked to one another by connective particles (Denniston 1952: 99 and 1954: xliii), while the asyndeton is rare and

2 Pragmaticalisation is a specific type of grammaticalisation whereby a lexical term develops pragmatic meanings that are finally reanalysed as encoded meanings, cf. Diewald (2011), as well as Allan (2017a), whose remarks on the grammaticalisation of Greek particles also apply to that of conjunctive adverbs, especially the correlation of semantic change and scope increase. The latter concept refers to the development of discourse-level meaning from propositional meaning. Moreover, this paper makes no terminological distinction between conjunctive adverbs and adverbials. Note that most “conjunctive adverbs” are fixed idioms in modern languages, like even so, notwithstanding or in addition. The same is applicable to proséti and hōsaútōs, which are decomposable into prós + éti and hós + aútōs respectively.

3 Other adverbs that exhibit conjunctive functions are állōs ‘otherwise, besides’, háma ‘at the same time, besides’, aû and aûthis ‘again, on the other hand’, eîta and épeîta ‘then’, éti ‘still, besides’, laipón ‘hereafter, then’, mállon ‘more, rather’, hólōs ‘wholly, on the whole, all in all’, homoíōs ‘in like manner, likewise’, houtōs ‘so, thus’, pālín ‘backwards, again, in turn’, prōton ... deûteron ‘first ... second’, tounantion ‘opposite, contrariwise, on the contrary’, hústeron ‘later, finally’, khōrís ‘separately, besides’.
generally conditioned (Denniston 1952: 99–123; Crespo 2013). See the following passage corresponding to the beginning of Xenophon’s Anabasis:

(1) Dareíou kai Parusátidos paîdes gígnontai dúo, presbúteros of. Darius and Parysatis sons they are born two the elder mēn Artaxérxes, neóteros dè Kūros. Epeí dè PTC Artaxexes the younger and PTC Cyrus when and PTC ēsthénei Dareíos kai hupópteue teleutên tōu biou, he lays sick Darius and PTC he suspected the end of his life eboûleto tò paîde amphotérō pareînai. Ho mēn oûn he wanted his sons both be present. INF the PTC then. PTC presbúteros parôn etūkhane. Kūron elder being present. PTCP.NOM he was by chance Cyrus.ACC dè metapémpetai apò tēs arkhês hēs autôn satrápēn but PTC he summons from the province of which him satrap. ACC epoîesen, kai stratēgôn dè autôn apédeixe pántōn hōsoi he made and PTC general. ACC PTC him he appointed of all who es Kastōloû pedíon hathroîzontai.

In this example, the connective particles linking the sentences which make up the passage are in bold, as well as those relating other types of elements (Dareíou kai Parusátidos; presbúteros mēn Artaxérxes, neóteros dè Kūros; ēsthé-
The term ‘connective particle’ is used in this paper as a general term in order to distinguish conjunctive adverbs from the elements traditionally classified as particles. This term comprises conjunctions, like καί ‘and’, a syntactic category with the ability to coordinate any kind of element; particles, a more semantic category that only relates sentences, like οἷον; other devices which stand more or less in between, like δέ; and even elements that announce an upcoming conjunct, like μέν. The adverbs that fulfill conjunctive functions are easily distinguished from connective particles. Apart from their phonetic size (particula means ‘small part [of speech]’) and greater positional variability (see below), most of them still maintain non-conjunctive functions that coexist with the conjunctive ones; their frequency is more limited; and they do not usually have the ability to connect by themselves but in association with particles. In Ancient Greek, conjunctive adverbs tend to reinforce or nuance the semantic and/or pragmatic instructions conveyed by the particles with which they associate, cf. Crespo (2014); Quirk et al. (1985: 645–646); Kovacci (1999: 769). See the following example, in which προσέτι associates with the particle δέ:

(2) ἑδὲ δὲ καὶ memisthōménous eînai polloûs
already and PTC also ADV hired be INF many
mén Thrākôn makhairophórous, Aiguptíous
on the one hand PTC of Thracians swordsmen Egyptians

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6. Note that the first sentence has no connective particle since it is the first of Anabasis.
7. For the distinction of the different word classes covered by the term particle in Ancient Greek, including sentence adverbs, see Sicking & van Ophuijsen (1993: 76–79). See also Allan’s enumeration of the features of Greek particles (Allan 2017a: 103–104): a degree of bondedness, phonological lightness, membership in a relatively closed set, and abstract meaning.
8. From a discourse-oriented perspective, particles relate acts or moves. Moves are minimal, free discourse units and they are composed of a main act and usually, one or more subordinated acts that are thematically tied; acts are minimal units with communicative intent and every act is supported by an argument or by the rejection of a counterargument. Cf. Kroon (1995: 64–67). For the application of these discourse units to Ancient Greek, see Bonifazi et al. (2016: 11.2), who somewhat equates acts with κόλα in terms of intonation units (Scheppers 2011).
9. The etymology of these particles is generally controversial, though in some cases an adverbial origin can be established, cf. Crespo (2014).
10. Compare the frequency of the particles ἀλλά (515 instances), δέ (8075) or connective καί (6339) with that of the conjunctive adverbs ἡμῶς (20), προσέτι (1) or ἕσοντος (4) in the History of Herodotus.
The particle *dé* indicates that there is a thematic discontinuity between the conjuncts, cf. Bakker (1993); Martín López (1993). The adverb *proséti* specifies that the conjunct introduced by *dé* adds to the previous one and that they have the same argumentative orientation.¹¹

Conjunctive adverbs can additionally be used to strengthen the relation between main and subordinate clauses. This use is characteristic of some conjunctive adverbs. A clear case is that of *hómōs* between a concessive subordinate and its main clause:

(3) *kaì et pistai hūmîn eisin, hómōs*  
   even if certain. NOM to. you they are however. ADV episkeptéai saphésteron  
   to.be.examined. NOM more.carefully  
   “Even though our first assumptions seem to you to be certain, however, they ought to be more carefully examined”. (Pl. Phd. 107.b)

This “apodotic” function is especially frequent after concessive, conditional, temporal and causal subordinate clauses. In the first case, *hómōs* is most typical, while in the conditional and temporal cases, the adverbs *eîta*, *épeita* and *tóte*, all meaning ‘then’, are the most employed; *hoútōs* ‘thus’ is used after all types of subordinate clauses, including manner clauses, after which *hōsaútōs* is also used. It should be stressed that some connective particles also exhibit this “apodotic” function, though this use is generally archaic and rare, cf. Denniston (1954: xl–xli).

Conjunctive adverbs can also function within a subordinate clause (Greenbaum 1969: 38–39). This adverbial function is not frequent at all,¹² but strength-

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¹¹ That is to say, that both conjuncts lead to the same conclusions. On argumentative orientation, see Anscombe & Ducrot (1983).

¹² For instance, example (4) is the only one with *hómōs* functioning within a subordinate clause in Demosthenes’ works, where this adverb is found 115 times.
ens or nuances the semantic relation between main and subordinate clause and is exclusive to conjunctive adverbs:

(4) tēn dē boētheian édei kōlūsai
   ART.FEM and.PTC reinforcement.ACC.FEM it.was.necessary to.stop.INF
   tēn eis tā̀s Pūlās, eph’ hēn hai pentékonta
   ART.FEM to.PREP the Thermopylai for which the fifty
   triéreis hómōs ephōrmoun, hīn’, ei
   triēreis war-galleys however.ADV they.were.lying.at.anchor so.that if
   poreúoito Phílippos, kōlúoith’ hūmeis
   he.advanced Philip you.could.stop you.NOM
   “It was necessary to stop the reinforcement of Thermopylae, for which
fifty war-galleys were lying at anchor, though, to enable you to check
Philip’s advance”. (D. 19.322)

In this example, the adverb hómōs indicates that the relative subordinate clause
leads to different conclusions with respect to those of the main one.

2 Conjunctive adverbs and their position

 Conjunctive adverbs tend to be placed in initial position. This position best
accommodates their function as clause-linking devices since they occupy an
intermediary position between linked units.\(^{13}\) Typologically, one of the features
that distinguishes conjunctive adverbs from coordinating conjunctions is posi-
tional variability (Martín Zorraquino & Portolés Lázaro 1999: 4062; Pasch et
al. 2003: 457 and 494; Lenker 2010: 43–44 and 67). Conjunctions occupy ini-
tial position in modern European languages, whereas conjunctive adverbs can
occupy initial, medial and final position; see the following Spanish examples
taken from Martín Zorraquino & Portolés Lázaro (1999: 4063):

\(^{13}\) Conjunctive adverbs function on Kroon’s presentational level; Kroon distinguishes,
following Halliday & Hasan (1976), three levels determining the coherence relations among
discourse units: representational (concerned with the representation of content), pre-
sentational (concerned with organisation), and interactive (concerned with the inter-
action of interlocutors). The presentational level is concerned with the organisation
whereby the information is presented, and it “captures the fact that a language user
imposes an organizing and rhetorical perspective on the ideas conveyed” (Kroon 1995:
61).
The position of these elements has garnered some interest in the last years; see, for instance, Georgakopoulou & Goutsos (1998); Altenberg (2006); Haselow (2012); Lenker (2010: 43–44, 67–72, 197–213 and 233–241); Traugott (2016); and Goutsos (2017). These studies mainly focus on medial and final position. In English, conjunctive adverbs historically developed the medial position when they were placed after a contrastive constituent. In the 18th and 19th centuries, their use in medial position was already common (6a), including position after a contrastive constituent (6b):

(6)  

a. The natural sciences do not, **however**, stand on the same footing with these instrument-knowledges … (CLARN3, 127; see Lenker 2010: 237).  
b. This portion, **however**, may still be considered as the natural rent of the land … (Adam Smith, *The Wealth of Nations*, Chapter XI, Part 1).

Final position appeared later, and it supposes a re-interpretive strategy.¹⁴ This position has given birth to a new constituent order according to which many conjunctive adverbs can be placed in that position in any type of text:

(7)  

He is poor. He is satisfied with his situation, **though**. (Lenker 2010: 201).

In this position, not only adversative conjunctive adverbs like **though** but also consecutive conjunctive adverbs like **then** and additive ones like **too** are encountered. Even though this position is intuitively unqualified to connect to the preceding sentence, it is found in other languages, like German, where there are also a number of conjunctive adverbs that can be placed in final position; cf. Pasch et al. (2003: 553).

Before examining the Ancient Greek data, it must be stressed that in English and Spanish, sentences and clauses tend to be connected via conjunctions and conjunctive adverbs that do not always overlap with the connective particles

¹⁴ Reinterpreting structures consist of the addition of information, at the end of the sentence/clause and preceded by a pause, when this piece of information leads to reinterpret what has been said from a new perspective; cf. Fuentes (2009: 21; 2012: 79–81).
proper to Ancient Greek. Moreover, word order is determined by syntactic patterns in English and Spanish, while Ancient Greek is what has been called a non-configurational language, in which word order is mostly determined by pragmatic factors;\textsuperscript{15} cf. Matić (2003a); Bertrand (2010); Goldstein (2016a). Nevertheless, the position of conjunctive adverbs in these languages is not determined by syntactic patterns, or at least not only by them. This enables the comparison with the position of conjunctive adverbs in Ancient Greek, and as is examined below, the position of these adverbs in Ancient Greek corresponds to the early phases of the development of similar functions by English adverbs.

3 Position of conjunctive adverbs in classical and postclassical Greek

Even if textual cohesion is mostly assured by a remarkable variety of connective particles (Denniston 1954; Bonifazi et al. 2016), Ancient Greek does possess conjunctive adverbs, though most of them still maintain adjunct functions, and it is not always easy to distinguish their conjunctive use from other usages. The three adverbs on which this study is focused are clear cases of conjunctive adverbs. These adverbs are the result of different processes of pragmatization: hómôs ‘however, though’ derives from the adverb of manner homôs ‘similarly, likewise’, with an accentual shift that reflects its conversion to a conjunctive adverb. Note that Homer only uses hómôs two times (Il. 12.393, Od. 11.565),\textsuperscript{16} while he does not use homoíôs, the adverb that replaced homôs in classical Greek. However, homôs appears 28 times in Homer’s Iliad and Odyssey. Proséti ‘besides’ is the result of merging two elements, prós ‘besides’ and étí ‘still’, in conjunctive sequences like prósd’étí ‘and besides’, in which the connective particle dé appears between these two elements. The first instance of proséti is attested in Hdt. 1.41.3, but Herodotus still uses intermediate forms (pròs d’éti in Hdt. 3.74.1, 9.111.2; prós toútoisi étí in Hdt. 1.32.7, 99.1, 79.1, 5.62.1, 7.6.2; prós étì toútoisi in Hdt. 1.64.2, 3.65.7, 9.111.2). Hôsaútōs ‘likewise’ is the result of merging

\textsuperscript{15} The concept of configurationality has been developed by grammarians working within Chomsky’s generative framework. Non-configurational languages are mainly characterised by free word order, the use of syntactically discontinuous expressions and extensive use of null anaphora; cf. Hale (1983). Languages in which word order is determined by pragmatic factors have been called “discourse configurational”; cf. Kiss (1995). For references on the word order of Modern Greek and its (non-)configurationality, see Matić (2003b).

\textsuperscript{16} Hómôs is not frequent in Archaic Greek. Further instances are found in Thgn. 1.384, 1029 and Archil. Fr. 89.17 West.
hós ‘thus’ and aútōs ‘in the same manner’, and it is the only one that exhibits non-conjunctive functions. Hósaútōs is used from the 5th century on and its conjunctive function developed from the sequence hös d’aútōs, well known to Homer (Il. 3.339, 7.430, 9.195, 10.25; Od. 3.64, 6.166, 9.31, 20.238, 21.203, 225, 22.114, 24.409). The conjunctive adverbs hósaútōs and proséti function as additive connectives, while hómōs functions as an adversative one; additive connectives express that their discourse unit has the same argumentative orientation as the previous one, while adversative connectives indicate that their discourse unit has an opposite argumentative orientation with respect to the previous unit.17

Generally speaking, conjunctive adverbs tend to be placed in initial position either before or after a connective particle in classical and postclassical Greek.18 See the following examples:

(8) astôn d’ akoá̂ krûphion thûmôn barûñeî máリスト’ of.citizens and. PTC hearing secretly soul ACC weighs on especially esloîs ep’ allôtrûois.| All’ hómōs, krésson merits DAT on. PREP of.others DAT but. PTC however ADV stronger gâr oikûrûmô phthónos, mê pariei kalû. for PTC than. PITY envy not you. IMP abandon fine.deeds

“What the citizens hear secretly weighs heavy on their spirits, especially concerning the merits of others. Nevertheless, since envy is better than pity, do not abandon fine deeds!” (Pi. P. 1.84–85)

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17 Note that of the five adversative relations that can be expressed by adversative connectives according to Kroon (1995: 210–217)—see also Allan (2017b: 280–283)—hómōs expresses four: direct / indirect concession (Str. 1.2.20, example 13), semantic opposition (Paus. 2.15.2, example 16), discourse contrast (Pi. P. 1.85, example 8), and rebuttal (Ar. Ra. 1037, example 15). I have not found any instance of hómōs expressing substitution, for which mâllon ‘rather’ is more suitable.

18 They can also be found with no connective particle, although this is not frequent except when they connect a subordinate to a main clause (see above). Cf. Aristid. Or. 14.210 Jebb dôntes d’ heautoîs Athênaiois, … metegnûsan, oûte tôn phôrôn phérontes tên ametrûn oûte toîs epi têî toûtîn prophûseîn parakleûptontas autoûs … proséti tâs te akroplóiseis eleuthéras ékeîn ou dunámênoi kai epi tôs démagûgoûs ôntes tôn ekeînûn … "But when they had handed themselves over to the Athenians … they repented. For they could not bear either the immoderate tribute or those who robbed them with this for an excuse … In addition they were unable to have free citadels and they were subject to the Athenians’ popular leaders …". This is the only example of proséti connecting two main clauses or sentences by itself out of 38 instances in Aelius Aristides’ works; there is no such instance in Aristophanes’ works nor in Plato’s, and only 4 out of the 47 instances of proséti in Lucian’s works show this pattern; cf. Luc. Fug. 33; Merc. Cond. 3; Salt. 5; Tim. 55.
In the first example, the conjunctive adverb appears after the connective particle *allo, while in the second it appears before *de. This distinction is relevant since connective particles occupy fixed positions, either as first or second in their sentence. The particles with which they usually associate are *de ‘and, but’, *ki ‘and’, *allo ‘but’. See the following example in which *proséti follows *ki, which always occupies first position when it functions as a connective particle:

"And so not merely is all medicine governed, as I propound it, through the influence of this god, but likewise athletics and agriculture". (Pl. Smp. 187.a)

Second position is often called Wackernagel’s position and is characteristic of clitics. However, there are conspicuous differences, and in this regard, Goldstein (2016a:86–89) distinguishes between sentential clitics, mostly connective particles; clausal clitics, personal pronouns and modal particles; and phrasal clitics, especially *ge, *de and *per. This distinction is based on the fact that these clitics occupy second position either in their sentence, clause or phrase.

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ined about all the matters involved in the suit, at first demanded him only in regard to a question of thirty minae; and, furthermore, that he has been put to no disadvantage because of the testimony”. (D. 29.50)

Conjunctive adverbs can also occupy medial position and, exceptionally, final position. The three adverbs under consideration are encountered in medial position after the first constituent of their clause, as well as the connective particle when it is used (see note 18). The initial position of this constituent is determined by its pragmatic function (Goldstein 2016a: 25 and 215), and generally speaking, the pragmatic function of these constituents is that of contrastive focus or contrastive topic. Focus and topic are pragmatic functions that reside with the assertion and the presupposition of a proposition. Focus is the element by which assertion differs from presupposition while topic is a category related to aboutness, i.e. a topic element is part of the presupposition since it is an element on which information is conferred. Contrastive topics comprise those topic expressions whose referents are selected from a limited set of candidates; cf. Allan (2014: 193). All these candidates belong to the same semantic class, and the non-selected ones can remain implicit or explicit. An example in which the conjunctive adverb is placed after a contrastive topic (ho huiòs autoû ‘his son’) is the following:

(11) […] exeboéthei kai autòs pròs tà hória sùn toîs peri autòn kai ho huiòs autoû hōsautòs sùn toîs paratukhoûsin hippótais…

“When word was brought to Astyages that there were enemies in the country] he himself sallied forth to the frontier in person with his bodyguard, and likewise his son with the knights that happened to be at hand marched out”. (X. Cyr. 1.4.18)

Note that the passage is about Cyrus, on the one hand, and his son, on the other. Contrastive focus can also be defined as the focus evoking an implicit or explicit
contrast within a limited set of alternatives and the propositions associated with them; cf. Lambrecht (1994: 286–291). An example in which the conjunctive adverb is placed after a contrastive focus is (12):

(12) plēn toútō ge mónon ónēso tēs skeuēs, hōtī besides this PTC only you benefited from the attire that COMP mēdē eleouūmenos epi tēi hēttēi apērkhei, allā misouūmenos not pitied for the defeat you go away but PTC hated prosēti diā tēn átekhnōn sou taútēn truphēn. besides ADV owing to the unartistic of yours this lavishness

“However, you got at least this much by your outfit: you are going away not only unpitied for your defeat but hated into the bargain because of this unartistic lavishness of yours”. (Luc. Ind. 10)

In this example, the element preceding the conjunctive adverb, the participle misouūmenos, is in contrast with the negated participle eleouūmenos. Both participles belong to a construction (mēdē ... allā prosēti is a variant of ouk ... allā kaî “not only ... but also”) called “expansive focus”, a term coined by Simon Dik, in which the focus completes some information previously given; cf. Dik et al. (1981: 65); see also Bertrand (2010: 129), who speaks of “fonction extensive”.

Note that the verb can also be the contrastive element (see example 13) or even constitute a contrastive focus domain along with one of its arguments, like hupéthratten enious in (14), an example in which hómōs is apodotic:

(13) ouk enóēse dē toútō Eratosthénes, hupenóēse not he perceived but PTC this ACC Eratosthenes NOM he suspected d’ hómōs.

but PTC however ADV

“But Eratosthenes did not perceive this, though he suspected it”. (Str. 1.2.20)

(14) Hōútō dē toú Alkibiádou lamprōs euēmeroúntos, thus but PTC the Alcibiades GEN brilliantly prospering PTCP GEN hupéthratten enious hómōs ho tēs kathódou it troubled some ACC PL however ADV the NOM of the return GEN kairopolis.

22 Matić (2003a: 582–588) calls this type of domain a “broad focus”; see also Bertrand (2014).
“[The Athenians welcome Alcibiades after his victories in the Hellespont, and all the criminal proceedings against him are cancelled.] But while Alcibiades was thus prospering brilliantly, some were nevertheless disturbed at the particular season of his return”. (Plu. Alc. 34.1)23

Furthermore, *hómōs* is sometimes placed far from initial position. See the following examples in which the contrastive elements precede the verb and *hómōs* (*Pantakléa* and *okhémasi* in examples 15 and 16 respectively) or *hómōs* is preceded by two nominal constituents instead of one (*hoi Argeiói présbeis* and *táde* in (17)):

(15) *Kaì mên ou Pantakléa ge | edidaxen hómōs tôn* and. PTC PTC not Pantacles. ACC PTC he. taught however ADV the skaiótaton.
clumsiest. ACC
“But I bet he didn’t teach Pantacles, though, that clumsy oaf”. (Ar. Ra. 1036–1037)

(16) *ek Kleōnôn dé eisin es Árgos hodoi dúo, hē mên* from Cleonae and. PTC there. are to Argos roads two one PTC andrásin euzómois kai éstin epitomos, hē dè epi toû for. men active and. PTC it. is direct other PTC on the kalouménoun Trētoû, stenê mên kai autê periekhόntōn so. called Tretus narrow PTC also this. one with. surrounding horón, okhémasi dé estin hómōs epitēdeiotērā. mountains for. carriages but. PTC it. is however ADV more. suitable “From Cleonae to Argos are two roads: one is direct and only for active men, the other goes along the pass called Tretus (Pierced), is narrow like the other, being surrounded by mountains, but is nevertheless more suitable for carriages”. (Paus. 2.15.2)

(17) *hoi Argeiói présbeis táde hómōs epēgágon toûs* the Argive ambassadors this. ACC however ADV they. convinced the Lakedaimonious sugkhōrēsai Lacedemonians. ACC to. concede. INF
“However, the Argive ambassadors succeeded in obtaining from them this concession ...”. (Th. 5.41.2)

23 These people were disturbed because Alcibiades returned to Athens during the Plynteria, a festival in which Athena’s statue was stripped of its garments and ornaments.
A somewhat different case of medial position consists of *proséti* and *hōsaútōs* appearing after the element they introduce in an enumeration. In these cases, this element is a contrastive focus / topic, although the fact that the rest of the members in the enumeration have no conjunctive adverb seems to be due to a specially designated status of said element:

\[(18) \] 
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[AG] \quad \text{Oukoûn kai tupplos hama kai kophos einai}
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\[
[Buyer] \quad \text{then. PTC both blind at. the. same. time and deaf be.INF}
\]
\[
\text{légeis? you. say?}
\]
\[
[PU] \quad \text{Kai ákritos ge proséti kai}
\]
\[
[Pyrrus] \quad \text{and. PTC devoid. of. judgment PTC besides. ADV and. PTC}
\]
\[
\text{anaísthētos kai hólos tou skólēkos oudèn}
\]
\[
\text{without. sense and. PTC in. a. word from. the. worm nothing}
\]
\[
\text{diaphérôn. differing}
\]
\[
\text{“Then you mean being both deaf and blind? Yes, and devoid of judgement}
\]
\[
\text{and feeling, and, in a word, no better than a worm”. (Luc. Vit. Auct. 27)}
\]

\[(19) \] 
\[
\text{en dè taútēi oúsēi toiaútēi anà lógon tà phūómena}
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\[
\text{in and. PTC this being so in proportion the growing. things}
\]
\[
\text{phūésthai, déndra te kai ánthē kai tous karpoús;}
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\[
\text{grow. INF trees both. PTC and. PTC flowers and. PTC the fruits}
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\[
\text{kai aû tà órē hōsauítos kai tous lithous}
\]
\[
\text{and. PTC PTC the mountains likewise. ADV and. PTC the stones}
\]
\[
\text{ékhein anà tòn autòn lógon tòn te leiótēta}
\]
\[
\text{have. INF in the same proportion the both. PTC smoothness}
\]
\[
\text{kai tòn diapháneian kai tà khrómata kallíō.}
\]
\[
\text{and. PTC the transparency and. PTC the colours more. lovely}
\]
\[
\text{“And in this fair earth the things that grow, the trees, and flowers}
\]
\[
\text{and fruits, are correspondingly beautiful; and so too the mountains and the}
\]
\[
\text{stones are smoother, and more transparent and more lovely in color than}
\]
\[
\text{ours”. (Pl. Phd. 110.d)}
\]

In the first example, the adjective *ákritos* is modified by the particle *ge*, which enhances its pragmatic function (Goldstein 2016b). In the second, *hōsaútōs* occupies medial position instead of *aû*, which appears after the connective particle *kai*. This seems to point to a special status of those elements (*ákritos and tà órē*) from a pragmatic perspective; indeed, one gets the impression that the remainder of the elements is appended to it. Alternatively, it is possible to adopt
an interpretation that the conjunctive adverb insists on the addition of all of its enumeration members, even if appearing only in the first one: it should be noted that in both examples, the enumeration members make up a semantic unit differentiated from a previous one (physical vs sensory defects / things that grow vs mountains and stones); and the position of the adverb correlates with their contrastive status in relation to the previous semantic unit.

Final and medial positions coincide in a number of cases in which the adverb is the last element of its segment due to the ellipsis of other elements that already appear in the previous conjunct. This mostly applies to additive conjunctive adverbs when they are placed after the element they introduce in an enumeration; if that element is the last of the enumeration and the adverb follows it, then the adverb is encountered in final position:

(20) étisen oûn ho Makareús ou memptēn tēn dikēn he.paid so.PTC the Macareus.NOM not contemptible the penalty toûto dē tō poiētikōn sūn tēi heautoū kephalēi kai this PTC the poetic.expression with the his OWN head AND.PTC tēi tēs gunaiκōs kai oûn kai tēi tōn pайдōn that of the woman AND.PTC PUT also.adv that of the sons prosēti. besides.adv

“So Macareus paid no contemptible penalty, as the poets have it, with his own life, that of his wife and furthermore those of his sons”. (Ael. VH 13.2)

(21) toûto dē Maiândrou pedión pān epēdrame léiēn this.acc and.PTC Meandrus’ plain.acc all.acc he.overran pillage poiēu̇menos tōi stratōi, Magnēsēn te hōsaútōs. making with the army Magnesia and.PTC likewise.adv

“And he overran the plain of the Maeandrus, giving it to his army to pillage and Magnesia likewise”. (Hdt. 1.161)

24 These cases are examples of what has been called coordination reduction (Harris-Delisle 1978). Luraghi’s (2014b: 362) definition of coordination reduction is as follows: “Conjunction reduction, or coordination reduction [...] occurs when some common feature of two coordinated sentences or clauses, which is overtly encoded in the first, is not repeated in the second”. In contrast with canonical ellipsis (Martínez Linares 2006), coordination reduction includes not only the arguments of the predicate—namely, those which are obligatory in order to maintain the grammatical coherence of their clause—but also all those elements that are not repeated in a conjunct because they already appear in the previous one.
(22) Oxù kai andréion prótón poú phamen, kai takhù acute and.PTC courageous firstly somehow we.say and.PTC quick kai andríkon, kai sphodròn hósaútōs. and.PTC manly and.PTC energetic likewise.ADV

“We say acute and courageous in the first instance, also quick and courageous, and energetic too”. (Pl. Plt. 306.e)

Only in the case of hómōs there are some examples in which the conjunctive adverb appears in final position and no ellipsis is involved:

(23) aganakteîs, | allà poëtéa taút’ estin hómōs.
you.are.angry but.PTC to.be.done this it.is however.ADV

“Be angry. Nonetheless we must do that”. (Ar. Lys. 499–500)

However, the number of those examples is still reduced when one excludes the cases in which the constituent preceding the conjunctive adverb is what Matić (2003a) calls a ‘broad focus’, namely, a focal domain consisting of the verb and one of its arguments. Conjunctive adverbs cannot interrupt such a domain, and as a result, they are placed in final position. This final position is apparent only because the focal domain is contrastive. See, for instance, examples 24 and 25, especially the latter, in which hómōs is apodotic and the elements belonging to the broad focus constitute an idiom (égete tên eirênén):

(24) ou gár mónon ek toû prokaleîsthai toûtous paradoûnai,
not for.PTC only from the challenging.INF these to.give.up.INF
toûton dè mé ‘thelín, allà kai ek pántōn this and.PTC not to.be.willing.INF but.PTC also from everything
délōn estin pseûdos ón... taûta obvious it.is lie being.PTCP.COMPL this
memartúrētai. Lége dè tên próklēsin
it.is.confirmed.by.testimony.PF.PASS you.tell.IMP PTC the challenge
hómōs.
however.ADV

“Not only from my challenging him to give up these slaves for torture and from his refusing to do so, but from every circumstance of the case its falsehood is manifest ... Of this you have heard the evidence. Nevertheless, read the challenge”. (D. 37.27)

(25) hūmeîs d’ huphorômenoi tà pepragména kai
you and.PTC viewing.with.suspicion the things.done and.PTC
The frequency of initial, medial and final position is illustrated in Table 1, which shows the positions of the three adverbs under consideration in the works of Herodotus, Sophocles, Demosthenes, Aristophanes, Plato and Lucian.

All the authors belong to the classical period save Lucian, who belongs to the postclassical period; two of them are dramatists (Sophocles and Aristophanes), Herodotus is a historian, Plato a philosopher, Demosthenes an orator and Lucian a satirist and rhetorician. The frequencies are similar and reflect a clear preference for initial over medial position, although proséti and hōsaútōs are not employed by all of them. Hómōs, the best represented item, appears in initial position in 90% of Herodotus’ instances, in 57.1% of Sophocles’, in 89.3% of Aristophanes’, in 93.6% of Plato’s, in 85.2% of Demosthenes’ and in 48.3% of Lucian’s. Final position is rare and exclusive to hómōs: 10.7% of the instances in Sophocles are in final position, 6.1% in Aristophanes, 1.7% in Demosthenes and 0.5% in Lucian, while Herodotus and Plato do not show any instance of final position (on the positional variability of hómōs, see below). Note that hōsaútōs is encountered in medial position in 70% of Plato’s instances, as well as in all 4 of Herodotus’ instances. This is partly related to the fact that hōsaútōs appeared in the 5th century both as an additive conjunctive and as an adverb of manner (see below); and the adverb of manner is not always easy to distinguish from the conjunctive one, especially when it does not take initial position.25

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25 A case in point is the following: Pl. Th. 186b, állo ti toû mên sklêroû têν sklêrôtêta diá tês
4 Medial and final positions and the development of conjunctive functions

Conjunctive adverbs are placed both in initial and in medial position in classical and postclassical Greek. With respect to initial position, these adverbs are generally encountered either in absolute first position or after a connective particle. In medial position, the adverb is restricted, occurring after a first constituent, as well as the connective particle when it is used—connective particles always occupy first or second position regardless of the clause structure.

Typologically speaking, connecting devices tend to occur early in the clause, namely, in a position between the two conjuncts they connect. The development of conjunctive functions is a process that can be roughly sketched as follows: first, the adverb restricts itself to initial position; this position is associated with adverbials that fulfil the pragmatic function of *setting,* and indeed, the development of conjunctive functions can be related to the use of the adverb as *setting* in a number of cases. Once the conjunctive function is established, conjunctive adverbs are placed in initial position before other elements, including *settings.* The last stages of this evolution are traceable in the case of *hōsautōs,* which is the result of the univerbation of an adverbial

> epaphēs aisthēsetai, kai toû malakou tên malakotēta *hōsautōs* “Does it not perceive the hardness of the hard through touch, and likewise the softness of the soft?”. In this excerpt, it is possible to interpret *hōsautōs* as an adjunct of *aisthēsetai* (referring to *dià tês epaphēs*). However, the ellipsis of the verb form also allows its interpretation as an additive conjunctive.

26 “*Setting* constituents ... are adverbial phrases at the opening of clauses. Such phrases are like Topics in that they provide an orientation for the clause that follows, but they tend to be part of the spatial or temporal (or causal) organization of the text rather than themselves a participant about whom the speaker provides information” (Dik 2007: 36–37).

27 For instance, in Ancient Greek some adverbs of time develop conjunctive functions as inferential connectives when they fulfil the pragmatic function of *setting*; cf. Jiménez Delgado (2013).

28 This pragmaticalisation (see n. 2) can be considered a case of Traugott’s *subjectification* (Traugott 2010). *Subjectification* is the development of metatextual meanings by a linguistic expression; these metatextual meanings express speaker attitude or viewpoint, while *intersubjectification* (a variant of *subjectification*) involves the expression of the speaker’s attention towards the addressee’s self-image. See also Allan (2017a: 104–105).

29 A clear case is Pl. Soph. 267d *hómōs* dé, kàn ei tolmeriterton eirêsthai, diagnostēs hēneka tên mèn metà dòcês mèminin daxomimētikên prosēpōmen, tên dè met’ epistēmēs historikēn tīna mèminin *however,* even though the innovation in language be a trifle bold, let us, for the sake of making a distinction, call the imitation which is based on opinion, opinion-imitation, and that which is founded on knowledge, a sort of scientific imitation*, in which *hómōs* precedes a concessive protasis and the *setting*, *diagnostēs* hēneka.
locution, *hòs d’ aútōs* (*hós + dé + aútōs*), that was used as a conjunctive device at the beginning of the sentence:

(26) *Hòs d’ aútōs* tôn híppōn tà mèn peri

and likewise. PTC.ADV of the horses ART.NEUT PTC around PREP
tà stérna khalkéous thórēkas peribállousi,
their chests ART.NEUT acc breastplates acc they.put around
tà dè peri tóus khalínoùs kai stómia kai
ART.NEUT and PTC around PREP their reins and bits and
phálara khrūsói
cheekplates with gold

“Similarly, they equip their horses protecting their chests with bronze breastplates and putting gold on reins, bits and cheekplates”. (Hdt. 1.215.2)

In this example, *hòs d’ aútōs* precedes the theme (*tôn híppōn*) and the constrastive topics (*tà mèn peri stérna ... tà dè peri tóus khalínoûs kai stómia kai phálara*), the topic the sentence treats. “Themes” are extra-clausal constituents “with regard to which the following clause is going to present some relevant information” (Dik 1997: 389; see also Allan 2014: 184).

During the 5th century, *hòs d’ aútōs* still coexisted with *hósaútōs* as a conjunctive locution; cf. Hdt. 1.215.2, 2.67.1, 7.86.2, 8.21.1, 9.47, 8.12 (no instance of *hósaútōs* dé); X. An. 5.6.9; Cyr. 3.1.32, 6.4.16; Eq. 6.2; Mem. 1.7.3. (against 4 instances of *hósaútōs* dé); Pl. Phd. 102e; Plt. 310d; Phdr. 240e, 275e; Prt. 313e; Lg. 728e, 809e, 879d, 910a (against 17 instances of *hósaútōs* dé). The univerbated *hósaútōs*, though, finally replaced the analytic form. 30 Moreover, the new adverb not only exhibits conjunctive uses, but it is also used as an adverb of manner by Herodotus in 9 out of 13 instances. This development complicated the emergence of conjunctive uses since they could appear through the univerbation of the conjunctive locution *hòs d’ aútōs*, as well as the pragmaticalisation of the corresponding adverb of manner. 31

As a matter of fact, one can verify the association of position with conjunctive functions in the case of *hósaútōs*. In this respect, it must be noted that the

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30 *Hósaútōs* can still be found in somewhat high-style Modern Greek (*ωσαύτως*). Even so, *hòs d’ aútōs* can be found later, for example, 44 times in Strabo’s Geography (2nd century BC–1st century AD) against 21 instances of *hósaútōs*.

31 The adverb of manner also derives from *hòs d’ aútōs* since the reinforcement of *aútōs* with *hós* is only known within that locution. This is related to *layering*, namely, the coexistence of older and newer meanings in a linguistic form; see Hopper & Traugott (2003: 124–126).
conjunctive interpretation dissipates when the adverb does not occupy initial or medial position immediately after a contrastive constituent and the connective particle:

(27) a. Proeîpe ἰπατε: ... pemptárkhōi d' autòn ónta he.proposed this to.the.corporal and.PTC himself being hoîonper tôn agathòn idiótēn kai tèn pempáda eis tò like the good private also the five.squad as.far.as the dunatòn toiaútēn parékhein, dekádárkhōi dè tèn possible that.way make.INF to.the.sergeant and.PTC the dekáda hōsaútōs ...
ten.squad likewise.ADV

“What he proposed was as follows: to the corporal, that, besides being himself like the good private, he make his squad of five a model, as far as possible; to the sergeant, that he do likewise with his squad of five / likewise to the sergeant with his squad of ten”. (X. Cyr. 2.1.22)

b. all’ hümēis t’, éphe, hōs paraggéllō tāttesthe, kai PTC you PTC he.said as I.direct take.positions and.PTC hümēis hoi tôn pellantōn árkhontes epi toûtois you the of.the.light-armed.troops officers behind those hōsaútōs tois lökhous kathîstate, kai hümēis hoi likewise.ADV the platoons you.bring.up.IMP and.PTC you the tôn toxotōn epi toîs peltastaîs hōsaútōs. of.the.archers behind the light-armed.troops likewise.ADV

“Do you, therefore, take your positions as I direct, and you, the officers of the light-armed troops, bring up your platoons immediately behind them, and you, the officers of the archery, fall in, in the same way, directly behind the light-armed troops / bring up your platoons immediately behind them, likewise, and you, the officers of the archery, fall in directly behind the light-armed troops, likewise”. (X. Cyr. 6.3.26)

In the first example, the conjunctive interpretation of hōsaútōs is possible, though less suited to the context: the adverb refers to the way in which the sergeant has to model his squad, but it might indicate that the command directed to the corporal also applies to the sergeant. In the second, the interpretation of hōsaútōs as a conjunctive adverb fits the context even less, since both tokens of the adverb (the first one is omitted in Miller's translation) refer to the way in which Cyrus has directed other units to take their positions.
We have already seen that medial position is a historical development that can be analysed in languages such as English; furthermore, this position is characteristic of conjunctive adverbs when the preceding constituent has a contrastive pragmatic function (Lenker 2010: 68–72 and 235), even if in English, word order determines that only contrastive subjects and adverbials can normally precede them (Altenberg 2006: 19–30). Regarding our adverbs, we do not possess data from Homer, but in classical Greek, the alternation of initial and medial position is already established, as can be seen in minimal pairs like the following:

(28) a. Καίτοι skhedôn mēn oîda paraítēsin eú mála
     PTC more.or.less PTC I.know request well very
     philótimon kai toû déontos agroiktérân
     presumptuous and.PTC than.the necessary more.rude
     měllôn paraiteîsthai, hrētéon dè hómōs.
     going.to.PTCP.NOM ask.INF to.be.told but.PTC however.ADV
     “I am sufficiently aware that the request I am about to make is decide-
     edly presumptuous and less civil than is proper, but nonetheless it
     must be uttered”.33 (Pl. Criti. 107.a)

b. aiskhúnomai oûn hūmîn eipeîn talēthê. Hómōs dè
     I.am.ashamed PTC to.you say.INF the.truth however.ADV but.PTC
     hrētéon.
     to.be.told
     “Now I am ashamed to tell you the truth, gentlemen; but still it must be
     told”. (Pl. Ap. 22.b)

Both examples are Platonic, and in both, the same sequence of elements involving hómōs is encountered, although their word order is the opposite. It must be

32 Ηόμως is rare in Archaic Greek, and prosēti and hōsaútōs appeared later (see above). Nonetheless, an adverb like Homeric émpēs ‘in any case, all the same, nevertheless’ shows a distribution comparable to that of hómōs when functioning as an adversative conjunc-
    tive: it appears in initial (Il. 5.191, 8.33, 464; Od. 4.100, 14.214, 16.147, 19.302, 20.311, 23.82),
    medial (Il. 1.562) and final position (Od. 18.12). Note that Homer uses émpēs 38 times.

The position of hómōs is apparently final in this example, although this is due to the ellipsis
of the elements already appearing in the previous sentence; cf. D.C. Epit.Xiph. 163.31–164.1
hôn dè apékteinen epiphanon andrôn polû mēn éryon arithmēsai kai tò onómata, hrētéon
dè hómōs olígous tinás “to enumerate the names of the renowned men they killed is an
arduous task; a few of them must, nevertheless, be mentioned” (the English translation is mine).
noted that the position of hómōs in (28b) can be related to the presence of the infinitive eipeîn in the previous conjunct, since hrētéon is implied by the infinitive and is not a contrastive focus/topic.

The medial position of conjunctive adverbs cannot be determined by morphosyntactic criteria, since these adverbs can only appear after pragmatically relevant constituents and cannot interrupt a morphosyntactic constituent like particles do when taking Wackernagel’s position. This position of conjunctive adverbs can relate to the criteria governing the position of pronominal clitics and the modal particle án in classical Greek as established by Goldstein (2016a). Goldstein has found that these clitics lean on the first prosodic word of the sentence nucleus, which can be preceded by contrastive elements. See the following examples, in which pronominal clitics are placed after the first word of the sentence nucleus and a contrastive topic (Ikhthuíōn) and contrastive focus (tò khrêstérion), respectively, are preposed to it:

(29) […] sitía sphi esti hirà pessómena, kai kreôn boéōn kai khēnéōn plêthós ti hekástoi ginetai of.beef and of.goose abundance.NOM a.NOM for.each.one there.is

34 Conjunctive adverbs can be found within a morphosyntactic constituent only when one of its elements is pragmatically highlighted; cf. Th. 7.70.8 kai hoî stratêgoi prosētî hekaterón, ei tinâ pou horôiîn mē kai’ anáglēn prâmēn krouómenon, anákaloîîtes onomasti tôn tri-érarkhon érōtîn ... “the generals, moreover, on either side, if they saw in any part of the battle backing ashore without being forced to do so, called out to the captain by name and asked him”, where hoî stratêgoi is a contrastive topic, while hekaterón refers to the parties involved and constitutes a continuous topic (this passage of the Second Battle of Syracuse between the Syracusans and the Athenians follows the description of the boatswains’ action in the previous section). Another example is Plu. Cam. 10.5 [...] khalepòn mên êsti pólemos kai diá pollês adikías kai biaiôn perainómënon ergûn, eisî dê kai pólemôn hómōs tinês nómoi tôîs agathoîs andrâsì “war is indeed a grievous thing, and is waged with much injustice and violence; but even war has certain laws which good and brave men will respect”, where pólemôn is the focus element as the particle kai ‘also, even’ makes clear.

35 The connective particles that occupy Wackernagel’s position are not necessarily placed after the first prosodic word, they are generally placed after the first morphosyntactic word, so that they can be inserted within a constituent comprising more than one word; cf. Goldstein (2016a: 80–84). Prosodic words are characterised as the domain of word stress, phonotactics and segmental word-level rules. On the definition of prosodic word, see Hall (1999).

36 More precisely, they can be preceded by contrastive topics and by what the author calls “non-monotonic focus”, which corrects or rejects some of the propositions making up the common ground (Goldstein 2016a: 176–177).
pollòn hēmērēs ἑκάστης Ikthūōn dè ou sphi
great. NOM day every of fish but. PTC not for them
éxesti pássasthai.
it is possible eat. INF

"Sacred food is cooked for them, beef and goose are brought in great abundance to each man every day ... They may not eat fish". (Hdt. 2.37.4)

(30) [...] en mēn [dē] tò khrēstērion anēlē min basilēa
if PTC PTC the oracle it should ordain him king
eînai Lūdôn, tòn dê basileuein,ên dē mé,
to be INF of the Lydians he PTC reign INF if but PTC not
apodoûnai opísō es Hērakleidās tēn arkhēn.
return. INF back to the Heraclidae the kingship

“If the oracle should ordain him king of the Lydians, then he would reign; but if not, then he would return the kingship to the Heraclidae”. (Hdt. 1.13.1)

In the first example, the pronominal clitic sphi is placed after the negative où, which constitutes the beginning of the sentence nucleus, while ikthūōn is preposed. In the second example, the pronominal clitic is min, the verb form anēlē is the first constituent of the sentence nucleus, and tò khrēstērion is preposed. The position of the pronominal clitics signals the preposing of these elements for pragmatic reasons (Luraghi 2014a: 304–305). We can extrapolate this to the medial position of the conjunctive adverbs under study, but in this case, the preposed element is delimited by the subsequent conjunctive adverb.37

Nevertheless, differences are obvious, not only because conjunctive adverbs are not clitics, but also because they do not function on the representational level, the level of content. In this regard, in sentences made up of a main and a participle clause or a main and an infinitive clause that escapes the matrix verb control, clitics are placed after the first accented word of the syntactic domain they belong to, whether it is the main or the dependent clause (Goldstein 2016a: 221–289).38 Conjunctive adverbs can be found following those domains, but only when their constituents are preposed:

37 Typologically speaking, discourse markers tend to have specific intonation contours (Fedriani & Sansò 2017: 4).
38 Apart from the main clause, the syntactic domains in which the clitics can be inserted are those of circumstantial participles in initial position which articulate the discourse relation between their sentence and the preceding one, circumstantial participles placed
In this example, the infinitive clause depending on *kinduneúomen* appears before *proséti*. This is a construction of expansive focus (see above), and the infinitive clause depending on *kinduneúomen* and preposed before *proséti* is in contrast with the clause under *ouk*’s scope (*anteisphéretetā̀s eisphorā́s*).

Regarding final position, there are only instances of *hómōs*.

Final position is almost unattested in classical and postclassical Greek. One of the rare examples in which the conjunctive adverb is in final position is the following:

(32) *ei dè mè légō phíla, | oukh hédomai, tò d’* if and.PTC not I.say welcome.words not Lenjoy.myself the but.PTC *orthón exeírēkh’ hómōs.* right.thing I.have.said however.ADV

“If my words are unwelcome, I am grieved; but nevertheless I have spoken the truth”. (s. Tr. 373–374)

In this case, the contrastive element is a preverbal constituent, *tò orthón*, yet the conjunctive adverb appears after the verb. This is not due to the pragmatic reasons we have seen above, since the adverb is, rather, the dislocated element and can even be placed in final position as in the above example. The data is insufficient to draw firm conclusions, but this might be related to the positional variability of *ómōs* in Modern Greek (Holton, Mackridge & Philippaki-Warburton after the main clause and introducing new information, as well as complement infinitive clauses whose subject does not depend on any argument of the matrix verb.

In this case, the subject of the infinitive clause is the same as the subject of the matrix verb, so it does not escape its control.

Cf. s. Oc 1529, Tr. 374, 1115, Ar. Ec. 860, Lys. 500, D. 23.25, 25.2, Plb. 12.12.1, 34.14.4, Luc. Cal. 24.
2012: 564). In the previous case, a reinterpreting structure can be perceived. Nevertheless, there are still examples in which hómōs is placed far from initial position without implying a reinterpreting structure:

(33) *ho* Súros eisénegkh’ *hómōs* pánth’,| *hósa* <ge>* PTC phéromen.*

we.carry

“Still, Syros, you must take all our loads in”. (Men. *Georg.* 39–40)

All these cases, though few, seem to point to a certain positional variability of hómōs, in its beginnings.\(^\text{41}\) This variability is shown by the positional frequencies of this adverb in comparison with the other two, as can be seen in Table 2, which displays the number of instances in initial, medial and final position in the prose works of Thucydides (5th century BC), Plato (5th–4th century BC), Polybius (2nd century BC), Aelius Aristides (2nd century AD), Lucian (2nd century AD) and Aelian (2nd–3rd century AD).

Hómōs and proséti tend to appear in initial position, while the case of hōsaútōs is somewhat special (see Table 1); nevertheless, hómōs is the only one encountered in final position. Note that the chronological gradient does not correspond to any tendency on the respective frequencies of each adverb. Only in the case of Lucian can we see clear differences, probably related to genre. Genre may also explain the frequency of hómōs in final position in Sophocles’ and Aristophanes’ dramatic works (see Table 1).

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\(^{41}\) Some other examples of medial far-from-initial position are in Th. 1.15.1, 7.48.5, 7.80.5, 8.36.2, 97.1; Plb. 5.20.7, 9.26a; D. 18.168; Pl. *Ep.* 325a.
Conclusions

Conjunctive adverbs are mainly used in Ancient Greek to reinforce or provide nuance to the instructions conveyed by the connective particles with which they associate; they rarely have the ability to connect two main clauses or sentences by themselves. Conjunctive adverbs can also be used to strengthen the relation between main and subordinate clauses, and are usually placed after the subordinate clause and without connective particle; the cases in which they function within the subordinate clause are exceptional.

These adverbs occupy two positions in classical and postclassical Greek: initial, either absolute first position or position after a connective particle; and medial, after a constituent with a contrastive pragmatic function and the connective particle when it is used. The position of connective particles is fixed and does not count for assessing that of conjunctive adverbs.

Medial position, less frequent than initial position, can be related to the position that clitics occupy when they are placed after the first word of the sentence nucleus if preceded by a preposed constituent. In this position, conjunctive adverbs are placed immediately following these constituents, and so they delimit them. These constituents tend to be a contrastive focus or topic.

Finally, there are some examples of hómos in which it appears in final position or at least far from initial positions. This cannot be explained by the above pragmatic reasons, yet these examples, though few, may indicate that the positional variability of this adverb in Modern Greek has its origins in Ancient Greek.

The position of conjunctive adverbs in classical and postclassical Greek coincides with what has been observed in other languages. Nevertheless, the traceable evolution, for instance, in English, according to which conjunctive adverbs develop medial position when they are placed after a contrastive constituent and later final position is still in its beginnings in Ancient Greek.

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