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### Latvian particle verbs

Latvian particles, like *zemē*, *augšā*, *nost*, *viršū* etc., are usually considered to be a result of contacts with the Baltic-Finnic languages, since there are close to none that kind of particles in Lithuanian and a lot of them is found in Livonian and Estonian. On the other hand in Finnish there is also quite little of that kind of particles. It is also proven that those same particles in Estonian are in fact a result of intensive contacts with the German language.

The purpose of this paper is to identify these Latvian particles, name the prefixes that share same (or very alike meanings) and compare Latvian examples with Lithuanian, Estonian and Finnish examples. Also to find their equivalents in German in order to propose that these particles in Latvian are also a result of contacts with German.

Lithuanian and Finnish would be used as control languages to substantiate the proposal that in this sense Latvian, Livonian and Estonian languages make up an areal group.