

611. Shields (Kenneth, Jr.): Old Irish *l̄n* ‘numerus’: another Indo-European/Near Eastern connection?

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Argues that the semantic shift of OIr. *l̄n* from ‘full’ to ‘number’ is due to the preservation of a borrowed Near-Eastern cultural concept as an archaic semantic feature of the Proto-Indo-European root **plē*.

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