



INEL Selkup corpus

User documentation

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1. Introduction

1.1. Objective of the corpus

The present corpus of the Selkup language has been developed as part of the long-term research project INEL (“Grammatical Descriptions, Corpora and Language Technology for Indigenous Northern Eurasian Languages”). It brings to a wide linguistic audience the contents of the archive of the Russian linguist Angelina Kuzmina, who worked extensively on different Selkup dialects in 1960s and 1970s. Most part of her archive remained unpublished until present, although some texts were published by Kuzmina herself and some more by other researchers (see References). The corpus makes possible typologically aware corpus-based grammatical research on the Selkup language and expands the documentation of the lesser described indigenous languages of Northern Eurasia.

1.2. Selkup language

1.2.1. Description

Selkup belongs to the Samoyedic branch of the Uralic language family. It is spoken in the Western Siberia, between two rivers — the Ob and the Yenisei — in Yamalo-Nenets AO, Krasnoyarsk Krai and Tomsk Oblast. Despite a vast geographical extent, the Selkup population probably never reached high numbers due to the features of the natural environment, making the whole area traditionally inhabited by Selkups difficult to travel: the main transport ways are waterways, and most of the inhabited places are fairly isolated from one another.

Selkup is at present critically endangered, and though according to the census 2010 (VPN 2010) there are 3,649 people identifying themselves as Selkups, the language is spoken or understood only by a few dozen people. Most of them are native speakers of Northern dialects (see 1.2.3), while the other varieties of Selkup are actually almost extinct.

Selkup is an agglutinating-synthetic language, with its morphology characterized by a wide variety of inflectional and derivational suffixes (especially in verbs). The main declensional categories of Selkup nouns are number, case, possession, while verbs carry markers of several aspectual categories, mood and evidentiality, tense, as well as person and number agreement.

1.2.2. Language Codes

ISO-639-3 code: **sel**

Glottolog code: **selk1253**

1.2.3. Dialectal subdivisions

Classification of Selkup dialects is an area of debate. Two, three or four larger dialect groups are distinguished by different researchers. Most notably, Northern Selkup dialects are clearly distinct from all the others, which are sometimes grouped together, but often subdivided into Central and Southern dialectal groups. Furthermore, Ket dialects, which otherwise are included in the Southern group, can be treated as a group on their own. Thus, in Russian historical, ethnographic and formerly also in linguistic tradition only Northern and Southern Selkup are differentiated

(see Glushkov et al. 2013). On the other hand, Helimski (1998) considers the Ket¹ dialects as a fourth dialect group. The names for the particular dialects mostly refer to names of the rivers along which the speakers used to dwell. The river Taz in the north flows into the Kara Sea through the Gulf of Ob, and Turukhan is a tributary of Yenisei, while the rivers in the central and southern area are part of the Ob river system.

The investigations of the Selkup dialects are confronted with difficulties because of (i) lack of systematic data on many varieties, most of which are already extinct or on the verge of extinction, (ii) well-known but poorly documented sporadic migrations of Selkups between different Selkup-speaking settlements during their lives, obscuring correlations between geographic areas or specific settlements and linguistic features.

When attributing a speaker to a certain dialect, we relied on Angelina Kuzmina’s notes and on some linguistic characteristics, as well as on the places where the speaker was born or had lived in. For some speakers, however, further research is needed to confirm or correct their dialectal attribution.

In this release of the corpus, the threefold distinction is used in metadata with further subdivisions (boldface marks those dialects for which texts are present in the corpus):

Dialect group	Dialects	Subdialects	Comments
Northern			= Taz-Turukhan
	Taz	Middle Taz, Upper Taz	three speakers (KAI, KGE, KIA) are here classified as mixed Upper Taz/Middle Taz subdialect
	Upper Tolka		= Laryak; settlement Tolka in Purovsky district on the river Tolka, tributary of Taz
	Baikha Yelogui		= Turukhan
Central			
	Narym		one speaker (KFN) is here classified as mixed Narym/Tym dialect
	Tym Vasyugan Vakh		
Southern			
	Middle Ob Upper Ob		
	Chaya		two speakers (BaEF, ChAE) are here classified as mixed Chaya/Middle Ob dialect
	Chulym		
	Ket	Lower Ket, Middle Ket and Upper Ket	one speaker (KMS) is here classified as mixed Lower Ket/Middle Ket subdialect

Different groups of Selkups had extensive contacts with different populations and their languages, including Khanty, Ket, Evenki, Nenets and Turkic (Chulym Turkic and Siberian Tatar) (Helimski 1998).

1.3. Archiving

The corpus comprises source media files (whenever available), annotated transcripts in EXMARaLDA² transcript formats and metadata descriptions in EXMARaLDA Coma format (see 2.7 and 2.9 for details), as well as some additional files (see 2.4).

¹ The name of Ket dialects of Selkup is due to the river of Ket` (Кеть), not to be confounded with the Ket language, which comes from the word meaning ‘man’.

² <http://exmaralda.org/en/>, last access: 03.11.2021.

The corpus is archived and published by the Research Data Repository of the Universität Hamburg³ under open-access conditions with Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike 4.0 International license (CC BY-NC-SA 4.0).⁴

1.4. Citation

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1.5. Project members

Project summary information

The INEL Selkup corpus has been created within the long-term INEL project (Grammatical Descriptions, Corpora and Language Technology for Indigenous Northern Eurasian Languages), 2016–2033. For an overview of the project, see (Arkhipov, Däbritz 2018). The Selkup subproject spanned six years from 2016 to 2021.

The research was carried out at the Institute for Finno-Ugric/Uralic Studies (IFUU) of the Universität Hamburg (UHH).

The project homepage can be visited at: <https://www.slm.uni-hamburg.de/inel/>.

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³ <https://www.fdr.uni-hamburg.de/communities/inel>, last access: 03.11.2021.

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Data analysis

Sound materials of Angelina Kuzmina were transcribed and translated by native speakers of Selkup:

Irina Anatolyevna Korobejnikova, written transcription and Russian translation of audio in Central and Southern dialects

Natalya Platonovna Izhenbina, written transcription and Russian translation of audio in Southern dialects

Svetlana Nikitichna Sankevich (Kunina), oral transcription and Russian translation of audio in Northern dialects

Evgeniya Sergeevna Smorgunova (Irikova), oral and written transcription and Russian translation of audio in Northern dialects

Valentina Vladimirovna Tamelkina, oral transcription and Russian translation of audio in Northern dialects

Part of translations into English were done by Anna Fenyvesi.

Part of translations into German were done by Aleksandra Vladimirovna Bajdak, Elena Aleksandrovna Kryukova and Ralph Reindler.

1.7. New in release 2.0

- The corpus now contains 352 transcripts from 89 speakers, representing the dialects of Taz, Upper Tolka, Baikha (Northern), Narym and Tym (Central), Middle Ob, Chaya and Ket (Southern). These contain 14509 sentences and 81498 words in total.
- Many texts have been provided with annotations for syntactic functions and semantic roles.
- Corrections to audio transcriptions, glossing and other annotations.
- Dialectal attribution of several speakers has been revised.
- The remaining non-glossed texts from the Kuzmina archive have also been added to the corpus for completeness. These include 3 texts from the written part of the archive and 40 audio recordings, for 20 of which a preliminary transcription is provided.

2. The corpus

2.1. The language(s) of the corpus

2.1.1. Content

The language of content in the corpus is almost exclusively Selkup, with few instances of code-switching into Russian (slightly more of them in the audio materials).

The same content can however be represented in more than one form of transcription, depending on the source. There is always only one main transcription tier (per speaker), using the common INEL transcription style (see 2.10.2).

2.1.2. Annotations

The main annotation language in the corpus is English.

The main content transcript is translated into English, Russian and German (see tiers **fe**, **fr**, **fg**).

For texts from the written archive, original translation into Russian (usually a literal word-by-word translation, often incomplete) is given as provided in the manuscripts (see tier **ltr**). For texts transcribed from the audio tapes, translation provided by the native speakers during transcription sessions is given in the same tier.

Morpheme glosses in English and Russian are provided for lexical items; labels for grammatical morphemes are identical in the respective tiers and are based on abbreviations of English terms, largely following Leipzig Glossing Rules (see tiers **ge**, **gr**).

2.1.3. Metadata

The language of metadata is English; Russian spellings of the personal names and place names are also provided in communications and speaker metadata. On transliteration of names, see 2.9.1.

2.2. Sources

The INEL Selkup corpus originates from the archive of A.I. Kuzmina representing the materials of her field work with native speakers of different Selkup varieties in 1960s and 1970s. A detailed description of the archive by E.A. Helimski and N.A. Tuchkova is published in (Tučkova, Helimski 2010) (in Russian and in German).

The Kuzmina archive preserved at IFUU (Hamburg) includes handwritten notebooks bound in volumes (30 volumes, 357 notebooks) and a collection of sound recordings digitized from her reel-to-reel tapes (ca. 50 tapes). The corpus includes both written and audio data.

The written part of the Selkup archive of Angelina Kuzmina⁵ contains a large number of texts (both original Selkup texts and some translations from Russian) and translations of individual sentences (from Russian into Selkup). The texts are transcribed in Selkup with interlinear (word-by-word) translation into Russian. Under or near the utterances some comments on linguistic or ethnolinguistic details can be found. Apart from these, the archive also contains translated sentences, lexical data, grammatical paradigms and other kinds of data, which were not included in the corpus.

Angelina Kuzmina also noted some general information about native speakers, time and place of collecting the data (her notes usually precede the linguistic material in notebooks). These metadata are included in the corpus metadata.

2.3. Content

The corpus contains texts/transcripts of various genres, which are broadly classified as folklore, narrative, conversation and song; while not being a separate genre, translations are classified apart from the other genres, for their language differs in some respects from the original Selkup texts.

2.4. Selection

From the entire body of written Kuzmina archive, only those data have been selected for the corpus which represent coherent texts (although one or two are more likely collections of loosely connected sentences), which amounts to 301 units.

Out of these 301 units, three were not glossed and have no EXB transcripts, but they are still included in the corpus for completeness and presented in the following formats: a scan of the corresponding pages from the Kuzmina archive (PDF), a typed text (pdf), and as flextext XML (an interchange format used by SIL FLEx and ELAN). These are:

- PVD_1964_50TextsFromABCbook_transl (a translation of 50 short Selkup texts from the Taz dialect primer (Prokofyeva 1932) into the Chaya dialect)
- SAG_1965_ReflectionsOnLanguage_nar (a narrative in Taz dialect)
- TFF_1967_FedkaVillageThief_flk (a fairytale in Middle Ob dialect)

⁵ See a public version at <https://hdl.handle.net/11022/0000-0007-F47D-A>.

From the audio part of the archive of A.I. Kuzmina, which contains 94 texts, 54 have been fully analyzed (transcribed and glossed). As well as in case of the written archive, we did however include all the recordings in the corpus, so that the whole collection of texts by A.I. Kuzmina be stored in one place.

From the remaining 40 texts, 20 have not been transcribed and are only provided as sound recordings. These are predominantly recordings from the Ket dialect, for which we could not find a native speaker able to assist us in transcribing. Apart from those, several recordings originating from the Northern dialects have a poor sound quality.

Ket dialect

- AGS_1964_HeroAndDragon2_flk
- AGS_196X_HunterAndWoodSpirit2_flk
- BAG_1964_ItjaMousetrapped2_flk
- BAG_196X_FifthFairytale_flk
- BAG_196X_FirstFairytale_flk
- BAG_196X_FourthFairytale_flk
- BAG_196X_IvanTheFool_flk
- BAG_196X_SecondFairytale_flk
- BAG_196X_SixthFairytale_flk
- BAG_196X_ThirdFairytale_flk

- KMS_196X_Idja_flk
- KMS_196X_MeetingWaterDevil2_flk
- KNI_196X_Idja_flk
- KNI_196X_Story_nar
- SSF_196X_Hunting_nar
- SSF_196X_MyHunting_nar

Upper Tolka dialect

- KNiM_196X_SpeechAtMeeting_nar
- KPK_196X_Story_nar
- NN3_196X_SpeechAtMeeting_nar
- NN4_196X_VillageCouncilMeeting_conv

Further 20 texts have been preliminarily transcribed by or with the help of native speakers, but neither double-checked nor glossed. Especially in the case of Ket recordings, both transcription and translations are tentative and should be taken with care. For these 20 texts, a transcription is provided as ELAN .eaf file in addition to the audio file:

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| • AGS_196X_Fairytale_flk (Ket) | • NEP_196X_FirstFairytale_flk (Taz) |
| • KAI_1965_BoyAndOldDevil2_flk (Taz) | • NEP_196X_ThirdFairytale_flk (Taz) |
| • KAI_1965_OldManWithLittleMind2_flk (Taz) | • NST_1965_Tyrshaqo2_flk (Taz) |
| • KAI_1965_SylchaPylcha2_flk (Taz) | • SAI_1965_WhenIDie2_song (Taz) |
| • KAI_196X_PeschykaChuryka_flk (Taz) | • SSF_1963_SquirrelHunting2_nar (Ket) |
| • KAI_196X_War_flk (Taz) | • TeVV_196X_Lifestory_nar (Taz) |
| • KLG_196X_WomanWithoutHands_flk (Upper Tolka) | • TFF_1967_IvanFirebird2_flk (Middle Ob) |
| • KMS_196X_Story_nar (Ket) | • TFF_1967_Kolchak_nar (Middle Ob) |
| • NEP_1965_ThreeBrothers2_flk (Taz) | • TFF_1967_PortupejPraporshik_flk (Middle Ob) |
| • NEP_196X_AjaKoja_flk (Taz) | • TFS_196X_OldManCaughtPike_flk (Taz) |

2.5. Corpus size

This release of the corpus contains 352 transcripts with glossing (102 folklore, 205 narrative, 27 translations, 13 songs, 5 conversations) from 89 speakers, with a total of 14509 sentences and 81498 words. 76 texts come from 42 speakers of the Northern dialect group, 34 texts come from 10 speakers of the Central dialect group (Tym, Narym), 242 texts come from 37 speakers of the Southern dialect group (Middle Ob, Chaya and Ket). Among the Southern group, 100 mostly very short texts come from a single speaker of Chaya dialect (PVD).

The corpus also contains several non-glossed texts and audio recordings, see 2.4 above for details.

2.6. Naming Conventions

2.6.1. Name of the corpus

The name of the corpus is INEL Selkup Corpus.

2.6.2. Orthography conventions in the corpus

For transliteration of Cyrillic names in the metadata, see 2.9.1.

INEL transcription system

The transcription of Selkup adopted in the INEL project is based on FUT (Finno-Ugric Transcription system). The project transcription is represented in tiers **ts** (Text (Sentence)) and **tx** (Text (Word)). These tiers represent the text in a Latin-based transcription which was developed in the project. Vowel length is marked as <V>, i.e. the "Modifier Letter Triangular Colon" character after the vowel. Palatalization is marked as <C>, i.e. the consonant symbol followed by the "Modifier Letter Apostrophe" character. In the corpus the Charis SIL font is used.

The INEL transcription for Northern Selkup dialects is largely a phonemic one, based on grammar (Kuznecova et al. 1980). For the set of phonemes used in the transcription see [Appendix 1](#). The INEL transcription for Southern and Central Selkup dialects is not strictly phonemic and follows the transcription of A.I. Kuzmina, omitting most of her diacritics.

Original transcriptions and their conversion into INEL transcription

While transcribing the Selkup data, Angelina Kuzmina used in her notebooks a transcription system developed by A. P. Dulson based on the Cyrillic alphabet. Besides the 32 Cyrillic letters (except **ë**) it also makes use of some Latin characters (**k, j, l, w, y, ø, e**), additional diacritics (" ° ~ ' ' , ˘ ^ ˙) and stress marks (˘). One character may bear more than one diacritic symbol. The original Kuzmina's transcriptions are provided in the **st** tier (Source transcription).

This original transcription was first automatically converted into Latin alphabet (see tier **stl**, Source transcription (Latin)). However, in order to reduce variation and render the interlinearization process easier, this transcription was further adjusted. For the Northern dialect some additional amendments were made according to the phonemic transcription principle (e.g. the voiced consonants were replaced with their voiceless counterparts), or else with consideration of the particularities of Russian perception of Selkup pronunciation (since the author of manuscripts was a native speaker of Russian). This amended Latin transcription is the main transcription used in tiers **ts** (Text (Sentence)) and **tx** (Text (Word)).

The changes to the transcription made automatically and manually are summarized in [Appendix 2](#).

Capitalization and punctuation

In original manuscripts of Kuzmina there were often no punctuation marks and capital letters at all, so they have been added while glossing the texts in SIL FLEEx.

2.6.3. Folder structure

The entire corpus is contained in the folder "SelkupCorpus" which has the following files and subfolders.

Folders with text transcripts, organized by genre:

- "flk" (folklore texts)
- "nar" (narrative texts)
- "song" (texts of songs)
- "conv" (conversations)
- "transl" (texts translated into Selkup from Russian)

Each of these genre folders contains one further subfolder per each communication, named identically to the communication name (see 2.6.6.1). Each communication folder contains several files with the same filename identical to the communication name, and different extensions according to the file type (see 2.7 for details on file formats):

- annotated transcript in EXMARaLDA EXB and EXS formats (*.exb, *.exs) and in ISO/TEI standard “Transcription of Spoken Language”⁶
- scanned manuscript pages from the Kuzmina archive, as well as of published versions of the text (if available), in PDF (*.pdf) (for texts with written source)
- sound file with the digitized recording from the Kuzmina archive, in WAV (*.wav) (for texts with audio source)

Supplementary folder:

- “documentation” (contains user documentation)

Individual files:

- “selkup.coma” (main metadata file)

2.6.4. Transcripts

The names of the transcript files have the structure Speaker_DateOfRecording_Title_Genre, i.e. they have the same name as the respective communication in the metadata (see 2.6.6.1 for details). The extensions are .exb and .exs for the basic and segmented transcript files respectively (see 2.7.1).

2.6.5. Media

The names of the sound files and scanned images of the manuscript pages have the structure Speaker_DateOfRecording_Title_Genre, i.e. the same name as the respective communication in the metadata (see 2.6.6.1 for details). The extension is .wav for the sound files and .pdf for the scanned images.

When more than one PDF file is present for a given text (manuscript pages and a published version), the filename of the published version refers to the publication and does not follow the designated pattern. E.g., manuscript pages for YIF_1965_Kamadzha1_flk are provided in YIF_1965_Kamadzha1_flk.pdf, and the published version in Kuzmina_1967_Kamacha_flk_319-327.pdf.

2.6.6. Metadata

The main metadata file for the corpus is the selkup.coma file stored in the main corpus folder (EXMARaLDA Coma format; see 2.7.2 for details). It contains the metadata on speakers and on individual communications (texts).

2.6.6.1. Names of communications

The codes of the communications which are used as their IDs throughout the corpus are composed of the following components: speaker code (see 2.6.6.2); year of recording; communication short title, genre abbreviation. These components are joined by underscore (“_”).

The exact date is mentioned in the communication code if known, in the format YYYYMMDD. If the day or both the day and the month are unknown, they are omitted (thus YYYYMM or YYYY). If the year of recording is only approximate or altogether unknown, a placeholder character “X” is used to fill the missing digits (e.g., “196X”). In the communication metadata, only the year of recording is specified.

The communication short title is a (possibly shortened) version of the English title, spelled without spaces, dashes or other non-letter characters, with all initial capitals. This English title is usually a translation of the Russian title, which is generally given by the corpus creators, however in some cases the titles are provided in the manuscript or follow existing publications.

The genre abbreviation can have one of the values “flk” (folklore), “nar” (narrative), “song” (song), “transl” (translation) and “conv” (conversation).

In what follows an example of a name of a communication can be seen:

Communication code: TVP_1965_ThreeBrothersLapta_flk

Speaker code: TVP (Ton`kin, Viktor Petrovich)

Date of recording: 1965

⁶ ISO 24624:2016, see <http://www.iso.org/iso/cataloguedetail.htm?csnumber=37338>, last access: 25.11.2021

Short title: ThreeBrothersLapta (i.e. “Three brothers Lapta”)

Genre: flk (folklore)

A number of texts are found both in the audio recordings and in Kuzmina’s notebooks. In most cases the written transcript by Kuzmina is far from being identical to the audio, rather representing another, more or less close, version of the same story. Such pairs of texts are given the same title, ending with "1" for the written version and ending with "2" for the audio version retranscribed within the current project. The year code can still be different if it is not clear from the available metadata if it was originally recorded and transcribed in the same year, cf. KMS_1963_MeetingWaterDevil1_flk and KMS_196X_MeetingWaterDevil2_flk.

2.6.6.2. Speaker codes

The speaker codes are derived from the speaker’s full names in the order “Family name — First name — Patronymic” in their INEL Latin transliteration (simplified). Most commonly, a code is thus composed of three initial capital letters, e.g. “TVP” stands for Ton`kin, Viktor Petrovich (Тонькин, Виктор Петрович). If the patronymic is not noted by Kuzmina, only initials of the family name and of the first name are used, e.g. “KR” for Kunina Rita (Кунина, Рита). If a code is already assigned to a different speaker, including from another language in the INEL project, additional letters are used from one or more of the name parts, e.g. KNM for Kunin, Nikita Mixajlovich (Кунин, Никита Михайлович) and KNiM for Kunin Nikolaj Mixajlovich (Кунин, Николай Михайлович).

2.6.7. Abbreviations

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KuAI: Kuz`mina, Angelina Ivanovna

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2.7. Technical formats

2.7.1. Transcripts

The annotated transcripts are delivered in the formats of the EXMARaLDA software suite, all of them in XML. The main transcript file which can be used for browsing the transcript with the EXMARaLDA Partitur Editor is the “basic transcription” format (EXB). From the basic transcription, a supplementary “segmented transcription” (EXS) is automatically generated which is necessary to make searches across the corpus with the EXMARaLDA EXAKT corpus search tool and to provide word and sentence counts. (Note that the segmented transcription files are **not** to be opened with the Partitur Editor.) The respective file extensions are “.exb” and “.exs”. Files encoded in the ISO/TEI standard for “Transcription of Spoken Language” (file extensions “.xml”) are intended to be used for enhanced interoperability and export.

2.7.2. Metadata

The corpus metadata are created in the EXMARaLDA Coma (corpus manager) and stored in the Coma XML format (file extension “.coma”). One file holds the metadata for the whole corpus.

2.7.3. Media

For texts with audio source, sound files are provided in Linear PCM WAVE format (file extension “.wav”) mono, with 44 100 Hz sampling frequency and 16 bit depth. However it should be noted that it is not their native format, since Kuzmina’s recordings were originally analog and later digitized and stored on audio CDs (see 2.8.2).

For texts with written source, corresponding pages scanned from Kuzmina’s manuscripts are provided in PDF format (file extension “.pdf”). For those texts that have been published previously, the published version is also provided in PDF format.

2.7.4. Other data

No other data types are provided with the corpus.

2.8. Workflow of the source files

2.8.1. Transcripts

The workflow was different depending on the source of the text.

Texts from the manuscripts of Kuzmina’s archive were typed manually into text files, containing the original Cyrillic transcription by Angelina Kuzmina (**st**), as well as her original (word-by-word) Russian translation (**ltr**) and occasional original notes (**nto**). Afterwards, the Cyrillic transcription was automatically latinized (**stl**) and manually adapted to produce the INEL transcription (**ts**) – see 2.6.2 above. The resulting text was then imported into *SIL Fieldworks Language Explorer* (FLEX)⁷ for glossing.

Texts from the digitized Kuzmina magnetic tapes were transcribed in fieldwork sessions with native speakers. The transcription was done in ELAN multimedia annotator⁸. The transcript files containing transcription (**ts**), literal Russian translation provided by native speakers (**ltr**), our free translation (**fr**) and occasional notes (**nt**), were saved in flextext XML format and imported into FLEX for glossing.

For all transcripts, the morphological analysis (interlinear glossing) was done in FLEX. This is when all the morpheme-level tiers were created (**mb**, **mp**, **ge**, **gr**, **mc**), as well as the part-of-speech tier (**ps**). For most texts, the **BOR** tier was

⁷ <https://software.sil.org/fieldworks/>, last access: 25.11.2021.

⁸ <https://archive.mpi.nl/tla/elan>, last access: 25.11.2021.

also filled directly from the FLEx lexicon. Together with the glossing, Russian translation (**fr**) and notes (**nt**) were provided. Separate FLEx databases ("projects") were maintained for different dialect groups: Northern, Central, Southern except Ket, and Ket.

As soon as glossing was complete, a text was exported from FLEx as flextext XML and converted to EXMARaLDA EXB format. During this conversion, the **ref** tier was created which combines communication code and sentence numbering (see below). There are also some changes to the **tx** tier concerning punctuation and to the morpheme-level tiers concerning the representation of zero morphs (see below).

After that, all further annotating (and editing) was done in the EXMARaLDA Partitur-Editor (see also 2.10).

2.8.2. Media

The original sound recordings were analog recordings made by Angelina Kuzmina in 1960s and 1970s on reel-to-reel tapes. They were digitized by G. Soldatova (Institute of Philology, SO RAN, Novosibirsk) in 2001 onto CDs, digital copies of which were used in the project. The audio quality was poor for many of the files which were therefore processed to improve intelligibility. The volume normalization and basic editing was performed in Sound Forge 12, and noise reduction / reverb reduction in SpectraLayers 3.0. Even processed sound is sometimes of very poor quality, which is naturally reflected in the tentative character of transcriptions.

Published texts from Kuzmina's archive were scanned and attached in PDF format to the metadata records of corresponding communications in the corpus manager (see 2.9.3).

2.8.3. Metadata

The communication and speaker metadata were first extracted from the description of Kuzmina's archive published in (Tučkova, Helimski 2010) and transferred into EXMARaLDA Coma, being also completed and cross-checked with the notes in Kuzmina's manuscripts.

2.9. Metadata for the corpus

The metadata of the corpus are stored in *EXMARaLDA Coma* format. It is an XML-based format with separate interlinked descriptions for communications (texts; also analogous to IMDI "sessions") and speakers. The main fields contained in the descriptions are listed in the following sections. This includes for example the location and date of a communication, but also information on which part of the processing and analysis was done by whom. Metadata about speakers contains mainly biographical data, but also basic data on language proficiency.

2.9.1. Naming conventions and content of the metadata

The general metadata about the whole corpus include the corpus name ("INEL Selkup Corpus") and some basic metadata fields complying with the standards of DC (Dublin Core), OLAC (Open Language Archive Community) and HZSK (Hamburger Zentrum für Sprachkorpora).

The transliteration (romanized spelling) of Russian place names, except major cities, and personal names of native speakers follows the GOST 7.79–2000 System B transliteration standard. Elsewhere, common English spelling is used. Thus, the village name *Толька* is rendered as *Tol'ka*, but the dialect name as *Upper Tolka*; the settlement name *Туруханск* is spelled as *Turuxansk*, but the dialect of *Бауха* is referred to as *Baikha*.

2.9.2. Communication metadata

Name: The code which is assigned to the communication (see 2.6.6.1)

Description:

- **0a. Title:** Short title (in English)
- **0b. Title (RU):** Short title (in Russian)
- **1. Genre:** Abbreviation of the genre of the communication (flk = folklore, nar = narrative, song = song, transl = translation, conv=conversation).
- **2a. Recorded by:** Abbreviation of the person by whom the communication was recorded (see 2.6.7)
- **2b. Date of recording:** Here the date of recording is given (year only).

- **3a-c. Dialect group / Dialect / Subdialect:** If known, information on the dialect used by the speaker(s) is given here (see 1.2.3); if not, the field remains empty.
- **4. Speakers:** Code of the speaker
- **5a. Transcribed by:** Code of the person who did the transcription
- **5b. Date of transcribing:** The exact date (if known) of the transcribing (for written materials, it is the same as the date of collection; for audio materials, the date of the transcribing fieldwork session)
- **5c. Typed by:** Code of the person who did the typing from the manuscript
- **5d. Time-aligned by:** Code of the person who time-aligned the transcription (if done separately from the transcription)
- **6. Processed by:** Who applied technical processing to the source files (e.g. noise reduction)
- **7a-c. Translation into Russian / English / German:** Code of the person who did the translation in question. For most of the written material, Angelina Kuzmina (KuAI) is mentioned as the first translator into Russian
- **8a. Glossed by:** Code of the person who did the morphological glossing
- **8b. Glosses checked:** Whether the glosses have been double-checked
- **9a-d. Annotation SeR / SyF / IST / BOR_CS:** Codes of the persons who annotated the respective tiers (SeR; SyF; IST; BOR, BOR-Phon, BOR-Morph and CS; see 2.10.3)

Location: The following fields specify the location where the text was collected.

- **Country:** All the communications originate from Russia
- **Region:** The current administrative region is indicated
- **Settlement:** The place of the recording

Languages:

- **Language code:** The ISO-code of the language of communication (always *se/* – Selkup).

Setting: In this section some information about archive sources and existing publications is given.

- **1a. Archive (written):** For materials from the written part of the Kuzmina archive, their location in the archive is specified in the following format: **KA V[volume_number]:B[book_number]:[page_range]**, e.g. **KA V02:B20:450-456** (Kuzmina archive, Volume 2, Book 20, pages 450-456). If a single text spans over multiple notebooks, the second and further notebooks are given after comma: **KA V02:B14:338-342, B15:343-355**. For texts from the audio archive which have a counterpart in the written archive with no or only partial correspondence in transcription, the reference to the written archive volumes is given in brackets (see field “Corresp. sound/written” below).
- **1b. Number of pages:** Number of manuscript pages in the archive
- **2. Corresp. sound/written:** If a text from the written archive has a counterpart in the sound recordings, the degree of correspondence in transcription is mentioned here (yes/partly).
- **3a. Published in:** If the text has been published, the publication reference is provided here
- **3b. Published in (bibtex):** If the text has been published, the BiBTeX key of the corresponding entry in the INEL Bibliography⁹ is given here

Recording: If an audio file is available, it is linked to the communication description

Transcriptions: The basic transcription (.exb) and the segmented transcription (.exs) are linked here to the communication description; the latter is needed for searching the corpus.

Attached file(s): If there are additional files (e.g. scans of the original archive pages, scans of text publications, ELAN transcript), they are linked to the communication description here.

⁹ B. Wagner-Nagy, A. Arkhipov. INEL Bibliographie. DOI: [10.25592/uhhfdm.730](https://doi.org/10.25592/uhhfdm.730)

2.9.3. Speaker metadata

Metadata about the speaker(s) taking part in a communication include on the one hand biographical information of the speaker and on the other hand information on his sociolinguistic background. The level of detail is determined by the information available from the manuscript archive. Many fields exist both in Russian (RU) and English (translated or transliterated) version. The following fields are defined:

Signle: Speaker code as defined in 2.6.6.2

Pseudo: Name shown in Coma's main view (using family name, first name and patronymic)

Sex: male or female

Description:

- **1a-b. Family name (EN, RU)**
- **2a-b. Given name (EN, RU)**
- **3a-b. Patronymic (EN, RU)**
- **4a-b. Alternate names (EN, RU):** If alternate names (e.g. maiden name, short name/diminutive) or name spellings are found, they are given here

Basic biographic data: Here basic biographical data of the speaker are provided.

- **1a-b. Place of birth (EN, RU)**
- **2. Region**
- **3. Country:** Russia
- **4. Date of birth**
- **5. Date of death**
- **6a-b. Former residences (EN, RU):** If former residences prior to the work with the linguist are known, they are mentioned here
- **7a-b. Domicile (EN, RU):** Here the current (i.e. at the time of the recording) place of residence of the speaker is mentioned and, if known, date from which he or she started to live in this place
- **8a-b. Other information (EN, RU)**

Education: Here information – if available – is given on the speaker's education and occupation/profession.

- **1a-b. Education (EN, RU):** Here information on basic education (i.e. school) of the speaker is given.
- **2a-b. Higher education (EN, RU):** If the speaker had a higher education, it is mentioned here.
- **3a-b. Occupation (EN, RU):** Here the profession and/or occupation of the speaker is mentioned.

Family: Here information about the ethnicity of the respective speaker and his/her family members is given.

- **Ethnicity**
- **2a-b. Ethnicity of mother / Name of mother**
- **3a-b. Ethnicity of father / Name of father**
- **4a-b. Ethnicity of husband/wife / Name of husband/wife**
- **5a-b. Ethnicity of grandparents / Names of grandparents**
- **6a-b. Family (EN, RU):** other family information

Language documentation activities

- **Informant of:** Here the linguist with whom the speaker worked is mentioned. It is normally Angelina Kuzmina (KuAI).

Languages: Here the language and dialect of the speaker is noted; Russian (most commonly L2) is usually not mentioned. For one speaker, Ket is reported as L2.

L1 (First language)

- **Language code:** Here the ISO code is given (*sel* – Selkup).
- **1-4. First language / Dialect group / Dialect / Subdialect:** Dialectal attribution of the speaker according to the classification in 1.2.3.

L2 (Second language)

- **Language code:** Here the ISO code is given (*ket* – Ket).
- **Second language**

2.10. Transcription and annotation

Many ideas and principles of transcription and annotation go back to the Nganasan Spoken Language Corpus (NSLC) (Brykina et al. 2018), a documentation of this are the respective user guidelines (Wagner-Nagy et al. 2018). This holds especially true for the annotation principles and annotation schemes for the annotation of semantic roles (SeR), syntactic functions (SyF) and information status (IST), as will be shown in the respective sections. See also (Arkhipov 2020) for general principles of transcription, annotation and translation.

2.10.1. Tier layout

Table 1. Tiers in EXMARaLDA files of INEL Selkup Corpus

Tier label	Tier full name	Description	Unit	Optionality
ref	Reference	Text ID + sentence number Text ID + speaker code + sentence number (for texts with multiple speakers)	sentence	obligatory
st	Source transcription	Original phonetic transcription by A. I. Kuzmina (for texts from the written archive). Original transcription by native speakers (for some texts from the audio archive)	sentence	obligatory (written source); optional (audio source)
stl	Source transcription latinized	Original phonetic transcription by A. I. Kuzmina, converted into Latin alphabet and simplified (written archive). Original transcription by native speakers converted into Latin alphabet (for some texts from the audio archive). Original transcription by project members during work sessions with native speakers (for other texts from the audio archive).	sentence	obligatory
ts	Text (sentence)	Main transcription, adapted from stl tier for glossing and annotation.	sentence	obligatory
tx	Text (word)	Main transcription segmented by word	word	obligatory
mb	Morpheme breaks	Morpheme breakdown of words (morphemes dash-separated for each word)	morph	obligatory
mp	Morphemes (lexical)	Lexical representation of morphemes (see notes in 2.10.3.3)	morph	obligatory
ge	Gloss (English)	Morpheme glosses (with lexical glosses in English)	morph	obligatory
gr	Gloss (Russian)	Morpheme glosses (with lexical glosses in Russian)	morph	obligatory
mc	Morphological category	Morphological category/part of speech for each morpheme	morph	obligatory
ps	Part of speech	Part of speech for each word	word	obligatory
SeR	Semantic role	Semantic (thematic) roles for major NPs	word / group of words	optional
SyF	Syntactic function	Syntactic functions for predicates and arguments, as well as for subordinate clauses	word / group of words	optional

Tier label	Tier full name	Description	Unit	Optionality
IST	Information status	Information status for major NPs (given/new/accessible)	word	optional
BOR	Borrowing	Borrowings (source language and borrowing type)	word	optional
BOR-Phon	Borrowing phonology	Phonological adaptations in borrowings	word	optional
BOR-Morph	Borrowing morphology	Morphological adaptations in borrowings	word	optional
CS	Code switching	Code switching and calques (source language and type)	group of words	optional
fr	Free translation (Russian)	Free translation (Russian)	sentence	obligatory
fe	Free translation (English)	Free translation (English)	sentence	obligatory
fg	Free translation (German)	Free translation (German)	sentence	obligatory
ltr	Literal translation (Russian)	Original Russian translation, as provided in Kuzmina manuscripts (written archive). Original Russian translation, as provided by native speakers while transcribing (audio archive).	sentence	optional
nt	Notes	Notes from corpus developers	sentence	optional
nto	Notes (original)	Notes by Kuzmina / by native speakers while transcribing	sentence	optional

Here is an example of how a simple sentence looks like in the corpus:

Figure 1. A sample transcript showing the complete tier layout

ref	KuLP_1976_Hospital_nar.003 (001.003)					
st	мат пол'ницауыт 'иппысам 'нӧӧр и'ренты кунты.					
stl	mat pol'nicaqit ippisam no:kur irenti kunti.					
ts	Mat pol'nicaqit ippisam no:kur iränti kunti.					
tx	Mat	pol'nicaqit	ippisam	no:kur	iränti	kunti.
mb	mat	pol'nica-qit	ippi-sa-m	no:kur	irä-n-ti	kunti
mp	man	pal'nica-qin	ippi-si-m	no:kir	irä-n-ti	kunti
ge	I.[NOM]	hospital-LOC	lie-PST-1SG.O	three	month-GEN-3SG	during
gr	я.[NOM]	больница-LOC	лежать-PST-1SG.O	три	месяц-GEN-3SG	в.течение
mc	pers	n-n:case	v-v:tense-v:pn	num	n-n:case-n:poss	pp
ps	pers	n	v	num	n	pp
SeR	pro.h:Th	np:L			pp:Time	
SyF	pro.h:S		v:pred			
IST	giv-active	accs-gen				
BOR		RUS:cult				
BOR-Phon		Csub				
BOR-Morph		dir:infl				
CS						
fr	<i>Я лежал в больнице три месяца.</i>					
fe	<i>I've been in the hospital for three months.</i>					
fg	<i>Ich habe drei Monate im Krankenhaus verbracht.</i>					
ltr	<i>я в больнице лежал 3 месяца.</i>					
nt						
nto						

2.10.2. Transcription tiers

2.10.2.1. Main transcription tiers (tx and ts)

The main transcription tiers use the INEL Selkup transcription (see 2.6.2). The major difference between them is that **ts** presents transcriptions of entire sentences, while **tx** has the same content divided into words. Technically speaking, in EXMARaLDA format it is only the **tx** tier which has the type “transcription”, all other tiers being of the type “annotation”. It is thus the **tx** tier which serves as the basis for segmentation (in “segmented transcription” format, EXS), which is relevant for search using the EXAKT tool and for all sentence and word counts.

Usually we kept the divisions into words as found in Kuzmina’s manuscripts; corrections were usually mentioned in comments in the **nt** tier.

The treatment of some special cases and phenomena such as uncertainties and alternatives in transcription, unintelligible fragments, false starts and non-speech sounds follows the principles described in (Arkhipov 2020).

2.10.2.2. Source transcription tiers (st and stl)

For the texts from the written part of the archive, the source transcription tier (**st**) contains the original Cyrillic version of the text, as it appears in A. I. Kuzmina’s notebooks; the **stl** tier contains this original phonetic transcription, converted into Latin alphabet and simplified (see 2.6.2). For example, we omit stress marks and some of the diacritics above vowels, which provide additional phonetic information. In one text, namely KNS_1966_Markincha_flk,

published in (Tučkova, Helimski 2010), the published Latin transcription is provided in this tier. An example for these two tiers may be found in Figure 1.

For the texts from the sound part of the archive transcribed in fieldwork sessions, the **st** tier is empty, and the **stl** tier contains the original transcription made by researchers. For those audio texts transcribed by native speakers themselves, the **st** tier contains their original Cyrillic transcription, and the **stl** tier contains this original transcription converted into Latin alphabet.

2.10.3. Annotation tiers

2.10.3.1. Reference (ref)

The reference tier (**ref**) for each sentence contains the code of the communication and the number of the sentence, separated by dot. The sentences are numbered through the entire text. The sentence numbers are zero-padded up to 3 digits. In brackets, the numbering according to the FLEEx scheme is given (*paragraph_number.sentence_number*):

ref	KR_1969_RavensAndHares_flk.001 (001.001)	KR_1969_RavensAndHares_flk.002 (001.002)
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For texts with multiple speakers the speaker code is added between the code of the communication and the sentence number, separated by dots:

ref	KR_IF_KTP_KEP_196X_Plans_conv.KR.001 (001)	KR_IF_KTP_KEP_196X_Plans_conv.KuAl.001 (002)
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2.10.3.2. Morpheme breaks (mb)

The morpheme breaks tier (**mb**) breaks words into segmentable morphs. Each word, according to the tier **tx**, appears in a separate cell. The morphs are represented in their surface form and are separated from each other by hyphens. Zero morphs are not represented in this tier. For an example see Figure 1.

2.10.3.3. Morphemes (lexical) (mp)

The lexical morphemes tier (**mp**) shows the lexical representation of the morphs, both stems and affixes, which appear in the **mb** tier. It follows the FLEEx lexicon which is, importantly, different for different dialect groups (Northern, Central, Southern except Ket, and Ket) (see 2.8).

For Northern dialects, this lexical representation is aligned with the dictionary (Kazakevich, Budyanskaya 2010) for stems and to some extent with the grammar sketch (Kuznecova et al. 1980) for affixes. For Central and Southern dialects, however, there is no single source one could rely upon, neither in lexicon nor in grammar. The cross-dialectal dictionary (Bykonja et al. 2005) lists numerous dialectal variants but does not posit any of them as a primary one. Therefore, the selection of the allomorph which appears in the **mp** tier is largely arbitrary for all dialects except Northern ones. It is thus impossible to rely on the **mp** tier in order to search a morpheme across different dialect groups, since one and the same morpheme (historically) may have different lexical representations in **mp**. In order to make such a search possible not only for affixes (using grammatical glosses) but also for roots, some effort has been made to harmonize lexical glosses between the four FLEEx projects. Queries involving lexical glosses in **ge** or **gr** tier is thus a recommended way for cross-dialectal searches, however not a failure-free one.

All morphemes within a word are separated by hyphens. Zero morphs are not represented in this tier. For an example see Figure 1.

2.10.3.4. Gloss (ge, gr)

The gloss tiers (**ge**, **gr**) contain the English and Russian glossing of the morphemes in **mb** and **mp**. Stems receive their respective lexical glosses in the two languages, while affixes are glossed identically in capital Latin letters and mostly according to the Leipzig Glossing Rules.¹⁰ For the list of abbreviations used see [Appendix 3](#).

Glosses for all morphemes within a word are separated by hyphens. Non-overt morphemes are given in square brackets preceded by a dot (e.g. ".[3SG]").

If a morpheme contains two or more semantic components, these are separated by a dot. For more convenient reading the dot is omitted in combinations of person and number (e.g. "IMP.2SG").

¹⁰ <https://www.eva.mpg.de/lingua/resources/glossing-rules.php>, last access: 04.11.2021.

Alternative meanings are separated by a slash (e.g. "S/O").

Morphemes with unknown meaning are glossed with two percent signs ("%"). In case of uncertainty, the gloss is preceded with a single percent sign (e.g. "%whistle").

For an example see Figure 1.

2.10.3.5. Morphological category (mc)

The **mc** tier indicates the morphological category of both lexical stems (i.e. the part of speech) and affixes (i.e. the inflectional category or the derivational process). Table 10 in [Appendix 4](#) shows the tags used for parts of speech and inflectional categories. For inflectional affixes the pattern "*x:a*" is used, where *x* stands for part of speech, to which an affix can be attached, and *a* stands for the category of this affix. Derivational processes are marked as "*x>y*", *x* and *y* being the tags for part of speech. Elements with unknown meaning are marked with two percent signs ("%").

For an example see Figure 1.

2.10.3.6. Part of speech (ps)

The part of speech tier (**ps**) contains information about the grammatical category of each word form. Hence, e.g. the outcome of derivational processes is marked here. The list of possible parts of speech can be found in [Appendix 4](#) (tags without ":" used for inflectional categories). Words with unknown part of speech are marked with two percent signs ("%").

For an example see Figure 1.

2.10.3.7. Syntactic function (SyF)

The annotation scheme used in the syntactic function tier was developed by Beáta Wagner-Nagy and Sándor Szeverényi (Wagner-Nagy et al. 2018: 21ff.) who also made it available for the project.

In the Syntactic function tier (**SyF**), basic syntactic functions (i.e. subject, direct object, predicate) are tagged. We also tag copulae in complex predicates. As well as semantic roles (see below), syntactic functions are only tagged in main clauses, with an exception for complement clauses in the form of direct speech. But subordinate clauses themselves are being tagged, the cells belonging to the subordinate clause are merged.

The full set of tags for SyF tier is provided in Table 2.

Table 2. Tags for syntactic functions

Tag	Description
Main arguments	
S	subject
O	direct object
Predicate	
v:pred	verbal predicate
n:pred	nominal predicate
adj:pred	attributive/adjectival predicate
pro:pred	pronominal predicate
ptcl:pred	particle predicate
cop	copula
Subordinate clauses	
s:comp	complement clause
s:rel	relative clause
s:temp	temporal clause
s:cond	conditional clause
s:adv	adverbial clause
s:purp	purpose clause

There are two other points that concern annotating both semantic roles and syntactic functions. First, we place the annotations (in corresponding tiers) on the head of the noun phrase, on the noun in the prepositional phrase and on the whole clause if it is a subordinate clause; for covert referents, the annotation is placed on the predicate. Second,

we annotate the properties of the referent (if relevant) in both annotation layers. These properties are thus duplicated, for the more comfortable perception of tagging and also to make the search a bit easier. These properties are annotated before the main tag and are separated with a colon (<:>).

For each referent, we mark whether it is covert (<0>) or not (no special tag). In case the referent is covert (for example, it is a pro-drop subject), we indicate three possible values of the grammatical category “person”: first person (<1>), second person (<2>) and third person (<3>). If the referent is overt, we annotate its form: whether it is a personal or demonstrative pronoun (<pro>), a noun phrase (<np>), postpositional phrase (<pp>) or an adverbial phrase (<adv>). For both overt and covert referents we annotate, whether they are human (<h>) or non-human (no tag). Tags for different properties of a referent are separated with a dot (<.>).

Table 3. Tags for referent expressions

Tag	Description
0.1	zero/covert first-person referent
0.2	zero/covert second-person referent
0.3	zero/covert third-person referent
adv	adverbial referent
np	nominal referent (noun phrase)
pp	postpositional phrase
pro	pronominal referent
.h	human referent
v	verb

Illustration of referent annotation may be found in the examples below and in section 2.10.3.8, since it is part of both semantic roles and syntactic functions annotations.

Here are some examples for tagging syntactic functions:

Figure 2.

ref	SAIAn_1965_Soldatka_nar.026 (003.004)				
st	мѐ 'клубмын 'орса сѐм еџа.				
tx	Me:	klupmin	orsa	som	ε:ηа.
mb	me:	klup-mɪn	or-sa	som	ε:-ηа
ge	we.PL.[GEN]	club.[NOM]-1PL	force-INSTR	good	be-CO.[3SG.S]
ps	pers	n	n	adj	v
SyF		np:S		adj:pred	cop
fe	<i>Our club is very good.</i>				

Figure 3.

ref	KPG_1969_MyFamilyAndMyVillage_nar.006 (001.006)					
st	мѐт мѐле 'туртукула пѐла прикащ'има 'тѐсона.					
tx	Mɔ:t	me:lä	tu:rtukula	pu:la	prikaš'ima	tüsona.
mb	mɔ:t	me:-lä	tu:r-tu-ku-la	pu:la	prikaš'ima	tü-so-na
ge	house.[NOM]	make-CVB	be.over-TR-HAB-CVB	after	saleswoman.[NOM]	come-PST-3SG.S
ps	n	cvb	cvb	ptcl	n	v
SyF	s:temp			np.h:S		v:pred
fe	<i>After they have finished to build the house, a saleswoman arrived.</i>					

In case of conjunction of predicates we duplicate the information about the subject in the cell of the second predicate:

Figure 4.

ref	SAIAn_1965_Soldatka_nar.028 (003.006)							
st	'Вйча 'коныша 'лапконды и 'таттысыды 'н'әјеп и 'чәп[б]ы.							
tx	Vič'a	qoniša	lapkonti	i	ta:ttisiti	n'äjep	i	č'ә:pi.
mb	Vič'a	qon-i-ša	lapko-nti	i	ta:tti-si-ti	n'äj-e-p	i	č'ә:pi
ge	Vitya.[NOM]	leave-EP-PST.[3SG.S]	shop-ILL	and	bring-PST-3SG.O	bread-EP-ACC	and	tobacco.[NOM]
ps	nprop	v	n	conj	v	n	conj	n
SyF	np:h:S	v:pred			0.3.h:S v:pred	np:O		np:O
fe	<i>Vitya went to the shop and brought some bread and tobacco.</i>							

We tag null subjects and null objects in the cell of the predicate:

Figure 5.

ref	KPG_1969_MyFamilyAndMyVillage_nar.019 (001.019)				
st	'әсыты түлла 'пүла 'илла 'ме'сөтын.				
tx	Әsiti	tülla	pu:la	illa	me:sә:tin.
mb	әsi-ti	tü-lla	pu:la	illa	me:sә:-tin
ge	father.[NOM]-3SG	come-CVB	after	down	do-PST-3PL
ps	n	cvb	ptcl	preverb	v
SyF	s:temp				0.3.h:S 0.3.h:O v:pred
fe	<i>After his father had come they buried him.</i>				

Figure 6.

ref (ref)	KPG_1969_Bread_nar.005 (001.005)		
st (st)	'штәлле шәүортә 'тоттәдъ.		
tx (tx)	Štäl'l'e	šo:qortä	tottätä.
mb (mb)	štäl'l'e	šo:qor-tä	tott-ätä
ge (ge)	then	oven-ILL	put-IMP.2SG.O
ps (ps)	adv	n	v
SyF (SyF)			0.2.h:S 0.3:O v:pred
fe (fe)	<i>Then put it into the oven.</i>		

We do not tag subjects and objects in case they are expressed by complement clauses (see Figure 7 and Figure 8). The only exception is when the object is expressed by a single predicate without any dependent words, in which case it is marked as v:O (see Figure 9).

Figure 7.

ref	SAIAn_1965_Soldatka_nar.020 (002.018)				
st	'täпынык 'үчико сав'хоскын 'сәтым 'айса.				
tx	Täpinik	u:č'iqo	savhosqin	sätim	ε:jsa.
mb	täp-i-nik	u:č'i-qo	savhos-qin	sätim	ε:j-sa
ge	(s)he-EP-ALL	work-INF	sovkhos-LOC	difficult	be-PST.[3SG.S]
ps	pers	v	n	adj	v
SyF		s:compl		adj:pred	cop
fe	<i>It was hard for her to work in sovkhos.</i>				

Figure 8.

ref	SAIAn_1965_Soldatka_nar.014 (002.012)					
st	чап 'түс[э]а 'моткынты. 'көсыты' иль[а] 'олджимба.					
tx	Čap	tüsa	mә:tqinti,	qositi	illə	ә:l'č'impa.
mb	č'ap	tü-sa	mә:t-qin-ti	qo-si-ti	illə	ә:l'č'i-mpa
ge	hardly	come-PST.[3SG.S]	house-ILL-3SG	sight-PST-3SG.O	down	fall.down-PST.NAR.[3SG.S]
ps	conj	v	n	v	preverb	v
SyF	s:temp			0.3.h:S v:pred	s:compl	
fe	<i>As she came to her house, she saw, that it had been destroyed.</i>					

Figure 9.

ref	KuLP_1976_Hospital_nar.002 (001.002)	
st	'илоко 'кыкаң.	
tx	iloqo	kikaŋ.
mb	ilo-qo	kika-ŋ
ge	live-INF	want-1SG.S
ps	v	v
SyF	v:O	0.1.h:S v:pred
fe	<i>I want to live.</i>	

For embedded subordinate clauses, only the external clause is tagged:

Figure 10.

ref	KIA_1965_Petro_transl.006 (001.006)			
st	ны'най 'щ'ентың[к] пўкылтыки'жоим'пелым`пат,			
tx	Ni:n	aj	šentiŋ	püqiltikkijoimpelimpat
mb	ni:n	aj	šenti-ŋ	pü-qil-ti-kki-j-oim-pe-li-mpa-t
ge	then	again	new-ADVZ	touch-MULT-IPFV-HAB-INF-be.going.to-DUR-INCH-PST.NAR-3SG.O
ps	adv	adv	adv	v
SyF				0.3.h:S v:pred

st	на н'ўты 'мўтам ка'талпытий 'пўтпыкын `тоу[k]а.				
tx	na	n'u:tə	mɔ:tam	qatalpitij	pōtpiqinto:qa.
mb	na	n'u:tə	mɔ:ta-m	qat-al-pi-tij	pōt-pi-qinto:qa
ge	this	hay.[NOM]	door-ACC	hit-MOM-DUR-PTCP.PRS	warm-DUR-SUP.3SG
ps	dem	n	n	ptcp	v
SyF			np:O	s:rel	
fe	<i>Then he started to touch the door padded with hay for warmth isolation.</i>				

2.10.3.8. Semantic roles (SeR)

The annotation of semantic (thematic) roles is given in tier labelled **SeR**. It is based on GRAID principles (Haig & Schnell 2014) with some further developments by Beáta Wagner-Nagy and Sándor Szeverényi (Wagner-Nagy & Szeverényi 2018: 21ff.), further adapted for the current project.

The full set of tags for semantic roles is listed in Table 4.

Table 4. Tags for semantic roles

Tag	Description
A	Agent: initiator (with volition) of the action, the participant is causing the action or it is responsible for something happening.
B	Beneficiary: entity for whose benefit the action is being performed.
Com	Comitative: entity that conveys a participant of an action.
Cau	Cause: entity that causes an event.
E	Experiencer: entity that experiences the action, it does not have a control of the action or state (first argument of the verbs of emotion, volition, cognition, perception).
G	Goal: location or entity in the direction of which something moves.
Ins	Instrument: medium by which the action or event is performed.
L	Locative: locative argument of verb, place in which something is situated (states location)
P	Patient: entity, which undergoes physical changes, is created or destroyed.
Path	Path: entity or location along or through which the event takes place.
Poss	Possessor: entity which owns something.
R	Recipient: animate recipient of transfer or the addressee of verb of speech.
So	Source: place of origin or original owner in a transfer.
Th	Theme: entity which does not undergo physical changes, but is affected otherwise by an action (change of location or possession: object of give; subject of walk); entity whose location is specified; the content of mental verbs and verba dicendi (think, say etc.); second argument of verbs like <i>see, hear, feel</i> .
Time	Time: time point or an interval of time.

This list does not pretend to cover all possible semantic functions, since we do not aim to tag every noun phrase in the text, we tag the most frequent ones. For example, we do not tag semantic roles for depictives or translatives.

As well as for syntactic functions, we do not annotate semantic roles inside subordinate clauses. Referent annotation follows the same rules as in the SyF tier (see section 2.10.3.7).

Here is an example of SeR-tagging:

Figure 11.

ref	SMI_1965_IWasBornInChaselka_nar.002 (001.002)		
st	'нымтă 'илесак 'мелды.		
tx	Nimtă	ilesak	me:lti.
mb	nimtă	ile-sa-k	me:lti
ge	here	live-PST-1SG.S	all.the.time
ps	adv	v	adv
SeR	adv:L	0.1.h:Th	adv:Time
fe	I lived here all the time.		

2.10.3.9. Information status (IST)

The Information status tier (**IST**) contains the annotation of information status. The annotation is based on the annotation guidelines for information structure and information status in Götze et al. (2007), some minor changes were nevertheless done. The principles of annotation and the annotation scheme itself were developed by Wagner-Nagy & Szeverényi (2016: 20ff.) and made available by them. According to Götze et al. (2007: 150) the information status (a.k.a. activation, cognitive status, givenness) of a discourse referent reflects its retrievability within the discourse in question. A referent can be either given, accessible or new which can be determined by using the parameters [\pm discourse-old] and [\pm hearer-old]:

Table 5. Parameters for determining information status

	+discourse-old	- discourse-old
+hearer-old	given	accessible
- hearer-old	---	new

In detail that means that given referents are necessarily and per default aforementioned in the discourse while accessible and new referents are not. Accessible referents can be somehow (see below) inferred by the “hearer” of the discourse. Hence, new referents are neither aforementioned nor inferable for the hearer. The basic tags for annotating information status are *giv*, *accs* and *new*, the extended tag set can be seen from the following table:

Table 6. Basic tags for annotating information status

Tag	Description
Given referents	
giv-active	given and active referent (i.e. mentioned in the current or last sentence)
giv-inactive	given and inactive referent (i.e. mentioned before the last sentence)
Accessible referents	
accs-sit	referent accessible through the situation (e.g. having breakfast: “Give me <u>the butter</u> , please.”)
accs-aggr	referent accessible through the aggregation of other referents (e.g. “ <i>Once upon a time, a king had a wife and two children. <u>They</u> lived happily.</i> ”)
accs-inf	referent accessible through inference, e.g. part-whole relations (e.g. “ <i>We had a turkey for thanksgiving. I ate its <u>wings</u>.</i> ”)
accs-gen	referent accessible through general knowledge (e.g. “ <i><u>The president of the U.S.</u> travelled to Cuba.</i> ”)

New referents	
new	new referent

Here is an example of tagging the information structure:

Figure 12.

ref	KNK_1965_BearAndHare_flk.012 (001.012)			
st	нӧма 'у́кыт 'кӕлымпа 'сӱрыки `жат			
tx	N'oma	u:kit	qälimpa,	su:rikijat
mb	n'oma	u:ki-t	qälɪ-mpa	su:ri-k-ija-t
ge	hare.[NOM]	front.part-ADVZ	run-PST.NAR.[3SG.S]	wild.animal-DIM-child-PL.[NOM]
ps	n	adv	v	n
IST	giv-active		giv-inactive	

st	'ныркы `молле 'мӕчонтe ку `ррӕлнӧты[ə]т.		
tx	nɪrkimɔ:llä	mač'onte	kurəlno:tit.
mb	nɪrki-mɔ:l-lä	mač'o-nte	kur-əl-no:-tit
ge	get.afraid-DECAUS-CVB	forest-ILL	run-MOM-CO-3PL
ps	cvb	n	v
IST	accs-gen		
fe	<i>The hare ran in front, the baby wild animals were frightened and ran away into the forest.</i>		

In this example the hare was mentioned in a previous sentence and it is thus “giv-active”, the baby animals were mentioned earlier, but not in the previous sentence – they are “giv-inactive”, and the forest, though not mentioned before, is a well-known place for animals to live, and thus it gets an “accs-gen” status.

For non-overt referents, the prefix <0.> is added to the corresponding tag (e.g. <0.giv-active> for a zero/covert given and active referent) placed at the predicate of the clause.

Another extension of the tag system is related to direct speech. As is widely known, direct speech tends to change to perspective of both the hearer and the speaker which has consequences for the discourse status of referents as well. In the present corpus the information status of referents in direct speech only reflects the level of the macro-discourse, i.e. the whole communication. However, in order to be aware of possible changes of perspective, the tag <-Q> is added, if a referent occurs in direct speech (e.g. <accs-gen-Q>, i.e. a referent, accessible through general knowledge in direct speech), as it is done in the Nganasan Spoken Language Corpus (NSLC) (Brykina et al. 2018) according to Wagner-Nagy et al. (2018: 30). Furthermore, so-called utterance predicates are tagged with <quot-sp>.

2.10.3.10. Borrowings and code switching (BOR, BOR-Phon, BOR-Morph, CS)

The Borrowing tier (BOR) contains the annotation of borrowed lexical items. Both the origin of the item in question and the type of borrowing is annotated. The tags are made up as follows: <LANGUAGE:type>. The annotation is implemented already in the FLEx lexicon and automatically exported to EXMARaLDA. For Selkup, Russian (RUS) borrowings are tagged. For the type of borrowing the following tags are used:

Table 7. Tags for annotating borrowings

Tag	Description
:cult	cultural borrowing (most frequent; also used for borrowed names)
:core	core borrowing
:gram	grammatical device (e.g. conjunctions)
:mod	modal word

:disc	discourse marker
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The tier *BOR-Phon* contains the annotation of phonological processes in borrowing. The tag set is the following:

Table 8. Annotation panel for phonological processes in borrowings

Tag	Description
Deletions	
inCdel	initial consonant deletion
inVdel	initial vowel deletion (aphaeresis)
medCdel	medial consonant deletion
medVdel	medial vowel deletion (syncope)
finCdel	final consonant deletion
finVdel	final vowel deletion (apocope)
Insertions	
inVins	initial vowel insertion
medVins	medial vowel insertion
finVins	final vowel insertion
Substitutions	
Csub	consonant substitution
Vsub	vowel substitution
Other	
lenition	lenition (weakening)
fortition	fortition (strengthening)

The tier *BOR-Morph* contains the annotation of morphological processes in borrowing. The tags are made up as follows: <Strategy:Inflection>. The tag set is the following:

Table 9. Tags for annotating morphological processes in borrowings

Tag	Description
Adaptation strategies	
dir:	direct insertion (i.e. insertion without morphological adaptation)
indir:	indirect insertion (i.e. insertion with morphological adaptation)
parad:	paradigm insertion (i.e. an inflected paradigm item is borrowed)
Further inflection (in the matrix language)	
:bare	no inflection
:infl	further inflection

Here is an example of tagging a word borrowed from Russian:

Figure 13.

ref	KuLP_1976_Hospital_nar.009 (001.009)				
st	ман пол’ницауын ‘иппысаң, ‘чөзың асысам.				
tx	Man	pol’nicaqin	ippisaŋ,	č’ösinq	esisam.
mb	man	pol’nica-qin	ippi-sa-ŋ	č’ös-i-ŋ	esi-sa-m
ge	I.NOM	hospital-LOC	lie-PST-1SG.S	fat-EP-ADVZ	become-PST-1SG.O
ps	pers	n	v	n	v
BOR		RUS:cult			
BOR-Phon		Csub			

BOR-Morph		dir:infl			
fe	<i>I have been in the hospital, I got fat.</i>				

The Code switching tier (CS) contains the annotation of code-switching. Whereas borrowings treat single words, code switching (mostly) treats sequences of two or more words. Both language of the code-switch and type of the code switch are annotated according to the scheme <LANGUAGE:TYPE>. The language is mostly Russian (RUS).

In the same tier, grammatical calques from Russian are marked; this does not interfere with code-switching tags since calques appear in Selkup fragments.

The tag set for the CS tier is the following:

Table 10. Tags for annotating code-switching

Tag	Description
Sentence-external code-switching	
:ext	languages change at sentence (clause, utterance) borders
Sentence-internal code-switching	
:int.ins	languages change at phrase borders (e.g. an NP or a PP is inserted)
:int.alt	the point of change is somewhere at an arbitrary point in the sentence
:int	a single word is inserted, distinguishing between subtypes is problematic
Calque	
:calq	calque

Here is an example of code switching:

Figure 14.

ref	KAI_1965_OldManWithLittleMind1_flk.049							
st	<i>'коты яйцаты то много, чинкып 'йса `мёна ('ёңтоко) ['еңты чоты].</i>							
tx	Qɔ:tɨ	jajcatɨ	to	mного,	č'ɨŋkɨp	i:sam	ena	(eŋto:qo)...
mb	qɔ:tɨ	jajca-tɨ	to	mного	č'ɨŋkɨ-p	i:-sa-m	ena	eŋ-to:qo
ge	probably	egg.[NOM]-3SG	EMPH2	many	swan-ACC	take-PST-1SG.O	CONJ	egg-TRL.3SG
ps	ptcl	n	ptcl	quant	n	v	ptcl	n
BOR		RUS:core	RUS:disc	RUS:core				
CS			RUS:int.alt					
fe	<i>"I could probably get a lot of eggs, I would take a swan for the eggs".</i>							

2.10.3.11. Free translation (fe, fr, fg)

The free translation tiers (fe, fr and fg) give free translation of the utterance in question into English, Russian and German respectively. The translations are free, i.e. they do NOT necessarily reflect morphological and syntactical properties of the Selkup original. The translations follow the common guidelines as outlined in (Arkhipov 2020).

2.10.3.12. Literal Russian translation (ltr)

For texts from the written part of the archive the literal Russian translation tier (ltr) contains the original Russian translation of the sentence in question made by A. I. Kuzmina. Sometimes it is a word-by-word translation, sometimes it is a literary translation, sometimes it is something in between. For texts translated from Russian originals the source text, which is being translated, is provided here. For texts from the sound part of the archive this tier contains original translation made by native speakers while transcribing.

2.10.3.13. Notes (nt, nto)

The Notes tier (nt) contains notes which clarify the content of the sentence or point at something peculiar in the sentence. The notes begin with the indication of who made the note (abbreviation as listed in section 2.6.7) in square brackets, followed by a colon).

For texts from the written part of the archive the original notes tier (nto) contains notes from the notebooks of A. I. Kuzmina. These can be either comments to the texts or translation of separate words. Usually these comments are made by A. I. Kuzmina herself. In the text KNS_1966_Markincha_flk, which is a single case in the archive of native speaker transcribing himself, the notes are made by the author. For texts from the sound part of the archive this tier contains notes made by native speakers while transcribing.

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Appendix 1. INEL transcription for Northern Selkup dialects

Table 1. INEL Selkup transcription characters

INEL Transcription	Description	Unicode Character Name
Vowels		
a	low central unrounded vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER A (U+0061)
a:	low central unrounded long vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER A + MODIFIER LETTER TRIANGULAR COLON (U+02D0)
ä	low front unrounded vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER A WITH DIAERESIS (U+00E4)
ä:	low front unrounded long vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER A WITH DIAERESIS (U+00E4) + MODIFIER LETTER TRIANGULAR COLON (U+02D0)
e	mid front tense unrounded vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER E (U+0065)
e:	mid front tense unrounded long vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER E (U+0065) + MODIFIER LETTER TRIANGULAR COLON (U+02D0)
ə	mid central unrounded vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER SCHWA (U+0259)
ə:	mid central unrounded long vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER SCHWA (U+0259) + MODIFIER LETTER TRIANGULAR COLON (U+02D0)
ɛ	mid front lax unrounded vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER OPEN E (U+025B)
ɛ:	mid front lax unrounded long vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER OPEN E (U+025B) + MODIFIER LETTER TRIANGULAR COLON (U+02D0)
i	high front tense unrounded vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER I (U+0069)
i:	high front tense unrounded long vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER I (U+0069) + MODIFIER LETTER TRIANGULAR COLON (U+02D0)
ɪ	high front lax unrounded vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER DOTLESS I (U+0131)
ɪ:	high front lax unrounded long vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER DOTLESS I (U+0131) + MODIFIER LETTER TRIANGULAR COLON (U+02D0)
ɨ	high central unrounded vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER I WITH STROKE (U+0268)
ɨ:	high central unrounded long vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER I WITH STROKE (U+0268) + MODIFIER LETTER TRIANGULAR COLON (U+02D0)
o	mid back rounded tense vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER O (U+006F)
o:	mid back rounded tense long vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER O (U+006F) + MODIFIER LETTER TRIANGULAR COLON (U+02D0)
ö	mid front rounded vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER O WITH DIAERESIS (U+00F6)
ö:	mid front rounded long vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER O WITH DIAERESIS (U+00F6) + MODIFIER LETTER TRIANGULAR COLON (U+02D0)
ɔ:	mid back rounded lax long vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER OPEN O (U+0254) + MODIFIER LETTER TRIANGULAR COLON (U+02D0)
u	high back rounded vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER U (U+0075)
u:	high back rounded long vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER U (U+0075) + MODIFIER LETTER TRIANGULAR COLON (U+02D0)
ü	high front rounded vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER U WITH DIAERESIS (U+00FC)
ü:	high front rounded long vowel	LATIN SMALL LETTER U WITH DIAERESIS (U+00FC) + MODIFIER LETTER TRIANGULAR COLON (U+02D0)
Consonants		
č'	alveolo-palatal affricate	LATIN SMALL LETTER C WITH CARON (U+010D) + MODIFIER LETTER APOSTROPHE (U+02BC)

INEL Transcription	Description	Unicode Character Name
j	palatal approximant	LATIN SMALL LETTER J (U+006A)
k	voiceless velar stop	LATIN SMALL LETTER K (U+006B)
l	alveolar lateral approximant	LATIN SMALL LETTER L (U+006C)
l'	alveolar palatalized lateral approximant	LATIN SMALL LETTER L (U+006C) + MODIFIER LETTER APOSTROPHE (U+02BC)
m	bilabial nasal	LATIN SMALL LETTER M (U+006D)
n	alveolar nasal	LATIN SMALL LETTER N (U+006E)
n'	palatalized nasal	LATIN SMALL LETTER N (U+006E) + MODIFIER LETTER APOSTROPHE (U+02BC)
ŋ	velar nasal	LATIN SMALL LETTER ENG (U+014B)
p	voiceless bilabial stop	LATIN SMALL LETTER P (U+0070)
q	voiceless uvular plosive	LATIN SMALL LETTER Q (U+0071)
r	voiced alveolar trill	LATIN SMALL LETTER R (U+0072)
s	voiceless alveolar fricative	LATIN SMALL LETTER S (U+0073)
š	voiceless postalveolar fricative	LATIN SMALL LETTER S WITH CARON (U+0161)
t	voiceless alveolar stop	LATIN SMALL LETTER T (U+0074)
w	labiovelar approximant	LATIN SMALL LETTER W (U+0077)

Table 2. Phonemes which occur only in loanwords (mostly from Russian)

INEL Transcription	Description	Unicode Character Name
b	voiced bilabial stop	LATIN SMALL LETTER B (U+0062)
c	voiceless alveolar affricate	LATIN SMALL LETTER C (U+0063)
d	voiced alveolar stop	LATIN SMALL LETTER D (U+0064)
f	voiceless labiodental fricative	LATIN SMALL LETTER F (U+0066)
g	voiced velar stop	LATIN SMALL LETTER G (U+0067)
v	voiced labiovelar fricative	LATIN SMALL LETTER V (U+0076)
x	voiceless velar fricative	LATIN SMALL LETTER X (U+0078)
z	voiced alveolar fricative	LATIN SMALL LETTER Z (U+007A)
ž	voiced postalveolar fricative	LATIN SMALL LETTER Z WITH CARON (U+017E)

As the transcription system of the INEL project has some differences in graphic representation of the Northern Selkup phonemes with the existing grammars and dictionaries, the following table illustrates correspondences in three transcription systems of the Northern Selkup (INEL Project, [Kuznecova et al. 1980], [Kazakevich, Budyanskaya 2010].

Table 3. Comparative transcription chart

INEL Transcription	Example	Transcription in [Kuznecova et al. 1980]	Example	Transcription in [Kazakevich, Budyanskaya 2010]	Example	English gloss
A, a	anti	A, a	anty	A, a, Я,я*	анты	'boat'
A:, a:	ma:tiqo	Ā, ā	mātyqo	Ā, ā, Я, я*	мāтықо	'cut'
Ä, ä	täpänj	Ä, ä	täpänj	Ä, ä	тāпāң	'squirrel'
Ä:, ä:	č'ä:ŋkɨ	Ä, ä	cāŋky	Ä, ä	чāңкы	'no(t)'
Č, č'	č'u	C, c	cu	Ч, ч	чу	'earth'
E, e	keti	E, e	kety	E, e	кеты	'intestine'
E:, e:	č'e:li	Ē, ē	cēly	Ē, ē	чēлы	'day'
Ə, ə	əsi	Ə, ə	əsy	Ə, ə	əсы	'father'
Ə:, ə:	ə:ti	Ē, ē	ēty	Ē, ē	ēты	'word'
ɛ, ɛ	esiqo	ɛ, ɛ	esyqo	Э, э	эсықо	'become'
ɛ:, ɛ:	ɛ:qo	Ē, ē	ēqo	Ē, ē	ēқо	'be'
Ī, ī	ira	I, i	ira	И, и	ира	'old man'
Ī:, ī:	i:ja	Ī, ī	īja	Й, й	йя	'son'
l, l	illä	l, l	illä	l, l	ллä	'down'
l:, l:	li:pi	Ī, ī	īpy	Ī, ī	лīпы	'piece'
t, t	inti	Y, y	ynty	Ы, ы	ынты	'bow'
t:, t:	i:tiqo	Ȳ, ȳ	ȳtyqo	Ы, ы	ытықо	'hang'
J, j	qaj	J, j	qaj	Й, й**	қай	'what'
K, k	kəm	K, k	kəm	К, к	кәм	'blood'
L, l	loqa	L, l	loqa	Л, л	лоқа	'fox'
L', l'	l'aqa	L', l'	l'aqa	Л, л, ль***	ляқа	'friend'
M, m	mač'i	M, m	macy	М, м	мачы	'forest'
N, n	nom	N, n	nom	Н, н	ном	'sky'
N', n'	n'en'n'a	Ñ, ñ	ñeñña	Н, н, нь***	неньня	'sister'
ŋ	taŋi	ŋ	taŋy	Ң	таңы	'summer'
O, o	oli	O, o	oly	О, о, Ё, ё*	олы	'head'
O:, o:	lo:si	Ō, ō	lōsy	Ō, ō, Ё, ё*	лōсы	'devil'
ɔ:, ɔ:	mɔ:t	Ǫ, ǫ	mǫt	Ǫ, ǫ	мǫт	'tent'
Ö, ö	pöt	Ö, ö	pöt	Ö, ö	пöт	'warm'
Ö:, ö:	tö:ka	Ö, ö	tōka	Ö, ö	тōка	'goose'
P, p	pi	P, p	pi	П, п	пи	'night'
Q, q	qup	Q, q	qup	Қ, қ	қуп	'man'
R, r	ruš	R, r	ruš	Р, р	руш	'Russian'
S, s	soma	S, s	soma	С, с	сома	'good'
Š, š	ši:pa	Š, š	šipa	Ш, ш	шйпа	'duck'
T, t	tama	T, t	tama	Т, т	тама	'mouse'
U, u	ukkir	U, u	ukkyr	У, у, Ю, ю*	уккыр	'one'

INEL Transcription	Example	Transcription in [Kuznecova et al. 1980]	Example	Transcription in [Kazakevich, Budyanskaya 2010]	Example	English gloss
U:, u:	tu:	Ū, ū	tū	Ū, ū, Ю, ю*	тū	'feather'
Ü, ü	ür	Ü, ü	ür	Û, ù	Ûр	'fat'
Û:, ù:	ü:tʃ	Ū, ū	ūty	Ū, ū	Ûты	'evening'
W, w	wərqɨ	W, w	wərqy	В, в	вəрқы	'big'

In the dictionary [Kazakevich, Budyanskaya 2010] some specific rules apply to these Cyrillic symbols:

* я, ю, ё are used word-initially for sequences of [j] + a, o, y (e.g. яннə) and after the palatalized l', n' (ляқа, нюр);

** ū is used word-initially for [j] when followed by a vowel other than a, o, y (e.g. ūəвал);

*** нь, ль are used before ə, ē (e.g. ньəмпы, льəсқымпықо).

Appendix 2. Conversion into INEL transcription

Note on affricates

Selkup dialects differ in the number and character of affricates. E.g. the Northern dialects have one (voiceless) palatalized affricate *č'*; Central, Ket and Chaya dialects distinguish between *č* and *č'*; in Middle Ob, the most common affricate is a non-palatalized *č*, and a (non-affricated) palatalized stop *č'* corresponds to *č'* in other Southern dialects. The transcription of these sounds as found in Angelina Kuzmina's manuscripts is not consistent across dialects. Generally, *ч* is always used for *č'* in Northern texts, for both *č* and *č'* in Central texts, for the non-palatalized *č* (opposed to *ч'* for *č'*) in Middle Ob, but for the palatalized *č'* (opposed to *ч* for *č*) in Ket and Chaya texts; there are however deviations from these patterns. This has also led to inconsistencies in the INEL transcriptions. As a rule, Kuzmina's *ч* was always rendered as *č*, while *ч'* was rendered either as *č* or as *č'*, and their distribution in transcripts should be taken with care and compared with Kuzmina's transcription in the *st* tier.

Northern Selkup dialects: Angelina Kuzmina's transcription

Table 4. Automatic conversion of A. I. Kuzmina's transcription into INEL transcription for Northern Selkup dialects

Kuzmina's transcription	INEL transcription
Vowels¹¹	
а	a
ä	ä
е	e
и	i
о	o
ö	ö
у	u
ү	ü
ъ	ə (U+0259)
ы	ɨ (U+0268)
э	ɛ (U+025B)
Consonants	
у	q
к	q
л	l'
б	p
в	v
г	g
д	d
ж	ž (U+017E)
з	z
й	j
к	k
л	l
м	m
н	n
ң	ŋ (U+014B)
п	p
р	r
с	s
т	t

¹¹ No automatic conversion was made for uncommon vowels *ë*, *ю*, *я*.

т'	č (U+010D)
ф	f
х	h
х̣	q
ц	c
ч	č (U+010D)
ш	š (U+0161)
ш'	š (U+0161)
щ	š (U+0161)
Latin symbols left unchanged	
ε	ε (U+025B)
ə	ə (U+0259)
j	j
w	w
Diacritics	
˘ (U+0304)	: (U+02D0)
ь	' (U+02BC)
Ignored symbols	
° (U+030A)	
◌ (U+0325)	
˜ (U+0303)	
˙ (U+0351)	
◌ (U+0328)	
˘ (U+2032)	
˘ (U+2035)	

Table 5. Changes made manually to A. I. Kuzmina's transcription for the texts from the Northern dialect.

Original Kuzmina's transcription	INEL transcription	Context	Examples
Vowels			
short / long vowels	long / short vowels	according to the dictionary* and morphonological rules**	Ѹгон - ɯko:n ытысыты - i:tisiti чон'доқын - č'onto:qɯn
и	i	according to the dictionary	нѸк - ni:k чирымпа - č'i:rimpa
ы	i	stem DU	ыннă - ɯnnă тымн'ăкынтыкине - timn'ăqɯntɯkine
о	ɔ:	stem, before verbal endings stem	метомын - me:tɔ:mɯn илимпѸтын - ili:mpɔ:tɯt илимпѸки - ili:mpɔ:qi чѸты - čɔ:tɯ ноқыр - no:kɯr мотыр - mo:tɯr
у	ü	after ш('), щ, ч	ш'ун'анты - šün'n'anti чушимпа - č'üšimpa
ÿ	u	after н'	н'ÿтысă - n'ÿ:tisă

ö	o, ɔ:	after н'	'н'öтыңыт - n'ö:tiŋit има'н'öтыт - iman'n'ö:tit
e, ä	ɛ	FUT PFV stem	чотентал - čo:tɛntal пинтартäнтал - pintärtɛntal контыш'ента - qontiššɛ:nta тäнырна - tɛnirna äсымпа - ɛsɪmpa
е, е	ɛ:	verb «ε:qo»	еја - ɛ:ja еппынтотыт - ɛ:ppɪnto:tit
е, э	ä	stem CVB	ылле - illä албекыт - alpəqit эмэ - ɛ:mä мүттыл'е - müttil'ä
ä	e	stem	н'ännäнты - n'ennänti н'äнты - n'enti м'äш'ак - me:šak
ö, ә	ö	stem	тöса - tösa кәнты - qönti
ö	ə	stem	тöпыт - təpit
a, ä	ɔ	before 1/3PL before DU stem	месамын - me:sɔ:mɪn йчирпатыт - ič'č'irpɔ:tit антäки - antɔ:qi чäппаймпаты - č'ɔ:ppai:mpati
ь	i	stem ending III	көттү - qə:tti поркү - porqi мүтонтү - mütonti мөттү - mɔ:tti
Consonants			
voiced consonants	voiceless consonants	according to phonematic principle	лöзы - lo:sɪ анды - antɪ
к, k	q	according to the dictionary	кйш'кат - qišqat қарын - qarɪn
k	k	according to the dictionary	көтсанмы - kətsanmi кәтысыт - kätisɪt
ү	q	everywhere except PRS	äтаүйты - ɔ:taɪti (but: әханты - ɛ:χanti)
х	k	word ending	чөтащ'их - č'ɔ:täšik
т'	č'	stem	т'елакса - č'e:laksa
л	l'	ADJZ	ырал - iral'
н	н'	before i	мөкыңыт - me:qɪŋit
ш', щ'	š	US IMP.2SG.S stem	пис'еш'па - pišɪšpa чөтащ'их - č'ɔ:täšik омбашим - ombašim wəш'импа - wəšɪmpa
с'	s	CON.REC	тымн'ас'ыт - timn'ašit

нк	ŋ, ŋk	according to the dictionary	нынка - nɪŋa чѐнка - č'ä:ŋka
г	ŋ	before sonorants	мōтыглымыт - mɔ:tɪŋlɪmɪt
н	ŋ	IMP	амырнылыт - amɪrŋɪlɪt
тч	č'č'	according to the dictionary	сатчи `мōтын - sač'č'i:mɔ:ttɪn
any consonant	double consonant	in verbs before PFV	кātāмыт - qätte:mɪt
н*	nn	stem morphemic boundary	ина - innā коңа - konnā кәнә - qännā
нн*	n	stem ending ILL PRS	пүннон - pünɪn әмыннты - әmɪntɪ пактынна - paktɪna
м*	mm	PST.NAR according to morphological rules	ил'имынтотыт - ilimɪntɔ:tɪt
мм*	m	stem ending	күммыл' - qumɪl'
л, л*	ll	stem morphemic boundary	йла - ɪllä оркыде - orqɪllä
лл, ll*	l	stem CVB RES	илла - ɪla тантылла - tantɪllä түллыл'лак - tülɪl'äk
т*	tt	morphemic boundary	мōты - mɔ:ttɪ
с*	ss	morphemic boundary	късак - qəssak
сс*	s	morphemic boundary	кōссолын - qosɔ:lɪn
ш*	šš	morphemic boundary	кушат - kuššat
к*	qq	morphemic boundary	канықын - qanɪqqɪn
к	kk	DUR according to morphological rules	нōтықыт - n'o:tɪkkɪt
п	pp	PST.NAR / HAB according to morphological rules	ēпынты - ε:ppɪntɪ йпыты - i:ppɪtɪ

* [Kazakevich, Budyanskaya 2010];

** [Kuznecova et al. 1980];

*** All the amendments with double hard consonants are also actual for soft consonants (*n'* - *n'n'*, *s'* - *s's'* etc)

Northern Selkup dialects: Evgeniya Smorgunova's transcription

Table 6. Automatic conversion of Smorgunova's (IES) transcription into INEL transcription for Northern Selkup dialects

Smorgunova's transcription	INEL transcription
Vowels	
a	a
ä	ä
e	e
и	i
o	o
ö	ö
ө	ɔ (U+0254)
у	u
ү	ü
ь	ə (U+0259)
ы	ɨ (U+0268)
э	ə (U+0259)
Consonants	
к	q
ү	q
б	p
в	w
г	g
д	d
ж	ʒ (U+017E)
з	z
й	j
к	k
қ	q
л	l
л'	l'
м	m
н	n
ң	ŋ (U+014B)
ң	ŋ (U+014B)
п	p
р	r
с	s
т	t
т'	č' (U+010D U+02BC)
ф	f
х	h
х̣	q
ц	c
ч	č' (U+010D U+02BC)
ш	š (U+0161)

ш'	š (U+0161)
щ	š (U+0161)
Diacritics	
˘ (U+0304)	: (U+02D0)
ˆ	' (U+02BC)

Southern and Central Selkup dialects

Table 7. Automatic conversion of Kuzmina's transcription into INEL transcription for Southern and Central Selkup dialects

Kuzmina's transcription	INEL transcription
Vowels¹²	
а	a
ä	ä
е	e
и	i
о	o
ö	ö
у	u
ÿ	ÿ
ъ	ə (U+0259)
ы	ɨ (U+0268)
э	ɛ (U+025B)
я	a <after C'> ja <after V> 'a <after C>
Consonants	
к	q
у	q (except for Ket dialects)
б	b
в	v
г	g
д	d
дж	ʒ (U+01EF)
д'ж'	ʒ' (U+01EF U+02BC)
ж	ʒ (U+0292)
з	z
й	j
к	k
л	l
м	m
н	n
ң	ŋ (U+014B)
п	p
р	r
с	s
т	t
т'	č (U+010D) (except for Ket dialects)
тш	č (U+010D)
ф	f
х	x
х̣	q
х̣̣	h
ц	c
ч	č (U+010D) / č' (U+010D U+02BC)
ш	š (U+0161)

¹² No automatic conversion was made for uncommon vowels ë, ю.

ш'	š (U+0161)
щ	š (U+0161)
Latin symbols left unchanged	
ε	ε (U+025B)
ə	ə (U+0259)
ʏ	ʏ (U+0263)
j	j
l	l
w	w
Diacritics	
ˉ (U+0304)	: (U+02D0)
ˆ	' (U+02BC)
Ignored symbols	
° (U+030A)	
◦ (U+0325)	
˜ (U+0303)	
˘ (U+0351)	
˙ (U+0328)	
˚ (U+2032)	
˛ (U+2035)	

Table 8. Divergent symbols in Irina Korobejnikova's transcription for Southern and Central Selkup dialects

Korobejnikova's transcription	INEL transcription
ə	e / ə
ч	č (U+010D)
ч	č' (U+010D U+02BC)
ɟ	q
ɣ	ʏ (U+0263)
χ	h

Appendix 3. Morpheme glossing labels (tiers ge, gr)

Table 9. Morpheme glossing labels

Gloss	Value	Category ¹³
1DU	first person dual	v/n:pn
1PL	first person plural	v/n:pn
1SG	first person singular	v/n:pn
2DU	second person dual	v/n:pn
2PL	second person plural	v/n:pn
2SG	second person singular	v/n:pn
3	third person (with imperative marker)	v:pn
3DU	third person dual	v/n:pn
3PL	third person plural	v/n:pn
3SG	third person singular	v/n:pn
3SG/PL	third person (with imperative marker)	v:pn
ABL	ablative case	n:case
ABL.ADV	adverbial ablative case	adv:case
ABL2	ablative case	n:case
ABL3	ablative case	n:case
ABSTRN	abstract noun derivation	deriv
ACC	accusative case	n:case
ACTN	action noun derivation	deriv
ADES	adessive case	n:case
ADJZ	adjectivizer	deriv
.ADV	adverbial case (in combination with spatial case markers)	
ADVZ	adverbializer	deriv
ALL	allative case	n:case
ATTEN	attenuative derivation (in verbs, adjectives and adverbs)	deriv
AUD	auditive mood	v:mood
AUGM	augmentative	n:deriv
AUX	Russian auxiliary verb <i>byt'</i> 'to be'	*
CAP	captative	deriv
CAP.ADJZ	captative adjectivizer	deriv
CAR	caritive	deriv
CAUS	causative derivation	v:deriv
CO	co-affix	v:ins
COLL	collective number	n:num
COM	comitative case	n:case
COND	conditional mood	v:mood
CONJ	conjunctive mood	v:mood
COR	coordinative case	n:case
CVB	converb	v:non-finite
CVB2	converb	v:non-finite
DEB	debitative derivation	v:deriv
DETR	detransitive derivation	v:deriv
DIM	diminutive	n:deriv
DRV	unspecified derivation	deriv

¹³ adv:case – adverbial case; deriv – derivation; n:case – nominal case; n:deriv – nominal derivation; n:num – nominal number; n:poss – nominal possession; num:deriv – numeral derivation; v/n:pn, v:pn – person and number marker in verbs and/or nouns; v:deriv – verbal derivation; v:ins – epenthetic element (insertion) in verbs; v:mood – verbal mood; v:tense – verbal tense; v:non-finite – non-finite verbal forms. Category is marked with * for clitics and separate words, ** for morphs appearing either as part of a word or as a separate word/clitic.

DU	dual number	n:num
DUR	durative derivation	v:deriv
DYA	dyadic marker	n:deriv
EMPH	emphatic marker	**
EMPH2	emphatic marker	**
EMPH3	emphatic marker	**
EP	epenthesis	
FRQ	frequentative derivation	v:deriv
FUT	future tense	v:tense
GEN	genitive case	n:case
HAB	habitual derivation	v:deriv
HES	hesitation	*
HORT	(periphrastic) hortative marker (Russian <i>dawaj, ajda</i> 'let's')	*
ILL	illative case	n:case
ILL.ADV	adverbial illative case	adv:case
ILL2	illative case	n:case
IMP	imperative mood	v:mood
INCH	inchoative derivation	v:deriv
INDEF	indefinite marker	**
INDEF2	indefinite marker	**
INDEF3	indefinite marker	*
INDEF4	indefinite marker	**
INDEF5	indefinite marker	*
INDEF6	indefinite marker	**
INF	infinitive	v:non-finite
INFER	inferential mood	v:mood
INSTR	instrumental case	n:case
INSTR2	instrumental case	n:case
INSTRN	instrumental noun derivation	deriv
INTERJ	interjection with unspecified meaning	*
IPFV	imperfective derivation	v:deriv
IPFV2	imperfective derivation	v:deriv
IPFV3	imperfective derivation	v:deriv
IRREAL	(periphrastic) irrealis marker (Russian <i>by</i>)	*
ITER	iterative derivation	v:deriv
ITER.NUM	iterative numeral derivation	num:deriv
ITER2	iterative derivation	v:deriv
JUSS	(periphrastic) jussive marker (Russian <i>pust', puskaj</i>)	*
LOC	locative case	n:case
LOC.ADV	adverbial locative case	adv:case
LOCN	locative noun derivation	deriv
MOM	single action derivation	v:deriv
MULS	multisubjective derivation	v:deriv
MULT	multiplicative (pluractional) derivation	v:deriv
NEG	negative particle; negative affix	**
NEG.EX	negative existential verb	*
NEG.IMP	negative imperative particle	*
NOM	nominative case	n:case
.O	objective conjugation (in combination with person-number markers)	v:pn
OBL	oblique case (in combination with possessive markers)	n:poss
ONOM	onomatopoeia	*
ORD	ordinal numeral derivation	num:deriv

PFV	intensive perfective derivation	v:deriv
PL	plural number	n:num
PROL	prolative case	n:case
PROL.ADV	adverbial prolative case	adv:case
PROPR	propriative	n:deriv
PST	past tense	v:tense
PST.NAR	past narrative tense	v:tense
PTCP.NEC	necessitative participle	v:non-finite
PTCP.PRS	present participle	v:non-finite
PTCP.PRS2	present participle	v:non-finite
PTCP.PST	past participle	v:non-finite
RES	resultative derivation	v:deriv
RFL	reflexive derivation	v:deriv
RFL.PFV	reflexive perfective derivation	v:deriv
.S	subjective conjugation (in combination with person-number markers)	v:pn
.S/O	subjective or objective conjugation (in combination with person-number markers)	v:pn
SG	singular number	n:num
SNGL	singulative	n:deriv
SUP	supine	v:non-finite
TEMPN	temporal noun derivation	deriv
TR	transitive derivation	v:deriv
TRL	translative case	n:case
US	usitative derivation	v:deriv
VBLZ	verbalizer	deriv
VOC	vocative case	n:case
%%	unknown word/morpheme	
%gloss	glossing uncertain	

Comments on glossing

In the following comments, several decisions are discussed that were made in non-trivial cases, and some areas are pointed out which may need further improvement/investigation.

1. The one-to-one correspondence between the morphemes and their labels (glosses) is in several cases not respected. Thus, such glosses as “AUGM” (augmentative) and “ATTEN” (attenuative) are used for more than one morpheme. Conversely, the verbal marker *-lä* can be glossed e.g. as “IMP” or “FUT” depending on the context. (See also note 9 on verbal derivation.)
2. Possessive forms of spatial cases are generally glossed as a whole, e.g. *šot-qinti* “forest-LOC.3SG”, although some of them could be formally analyzed and further split into distinct case and possessive suffixes.
3. In personal pronouns of 1st and 2nd person, nominative and genitive are not formally distinguished. In the present corpus, these forms are disambiguated based on the context, i.e. for the 1st person singular pronoun *man*, in each case either “I.[NOM]” or “I.[GEN]” is used. However note that in some cases both alternatives could actually be valid.
4. Interrogative pronouns in Selkup may function as conjunctions, e.g. *kuzan* “when”, which comes in the contexts like ‘*When* will my mother come?’ and ‘This man, *when* he was alive, didn’t think to have enough of anything’. In the latter case *kuzan* may be tagged either as conjunction or an interrogative pronoun.
5. The part-of-speech tag “post” (postposition) is only used for those stems which cannot occur outside phrases with dependent nouns, and usually have no inflection. The other group of what is traditionally also called postpositions includes stems which usually have a spatial meaning (e.g. *par* “top”) and may occur not only with spatial cases (like *pur-ə-n par-tə* “shelf-EP-GEN top-ILL” ‘[they put it] onto the shelf’),

- but also as a head of the noun phrase, for instance functioning as subject or direct object (*n'ai-t par* "bread-GEN top.[NOM]" 'the top [part] of the bread'). These stems are tagged as "reIn" (relational noun).
6. The gloss "CO" designates the so-called co-affix, a stem-forming element in verbs which is elsewhere analyzed as a marker of present.
 7. In Selkup there are several markers of imperative, which are often being cumulated with the person-number markers. All of them are glossed just as "IMP". Moreover, the second person plural ending may have an imperative meaning by itself, in this case it can be glossed as "IMP.2PL".
 8. In Selkup there is a verbal form with a marker *-IV*, often called optative. In the present corpus we distinguish between three meanings of this form: future imperative (*qwal-la-j* "leave-IMP.FUT-1DU" 'let's go'), imperative (*ü:d-le-l* "let.go-IMP-2SG.O" 'let him go') and future (*man as qu:-la-k-s* "I.[NOM] NEG die-FUT-1SG.S-FUT" 'I won't die').
 9. One of the domains which need further investigation and improvement is the notoriously complex verbal derivation (v:deriv in the table above). An umbrella gloss "DRV" is used whenever a particular meaning of a derivational affix could not be identified. For example, the *-r* derivational suffix is sometimes glossed as "FRQ" (frequentative), and sometimes, when the meaning is not that clear, as "DRV". Note also that bound verbal stems are not overtly marked in the corpus as such, and may sometimes co-exist with the corresponding derived stems, for example *püŋgə-* (bound stem) and *püŋgelžu-* (derived stem) are both glossed as "roll".

Appendix 4. Morphological category tags (tiers mc, ps)

Table 10. *Morphological categories tags*

Label	Description
adj	adjective
adv	adverb
adv:case	adverbial case ending
clit	clitic
conj	conjunction
cvb	converb
dem	demonstrative
emphpro	emphatic personal/possessive pronoun
interj	interjection
interrog	interrogative pro-form
n	noun
n:case	nominal case ending
n:case.poss	nominal case suffix of the possessive declension
n:ins	insertion in nouns
n:num	nominal number ending
n:obl.poss	nominal suffix of possessive declension in oblique cases
n:poss	nominal suffix of the possessive declension
nprop	proper noun
num	numeral
pers	personal pronoun
pp	postposition
prep	preposition
preverb	preverb
pro	pronoun
pro:neg	negative pronoun marker
ptcl	particle
ptcp	participle
quant	quantifier
qv	question verb
reln	relational noun
v	verb
v:inf	verbal marker of infinitive form
v:inf.poss	verbal marker of infinitive form with possessive declension
v:ins	insertion in verbs
v:mood	verbal mood marker
v:mood.pn	verbal mood and person-number marker
v:pn	verbal person-number marker
v:tense	verbal tense marker
v:tense.mood	verbal tense and mood marker

v:tense.mood.pn	verbal tense, mood and person-number marker
%%	unknown category