

# EVALUATION OF RUSSIAN NOUN WORD EMBEDDINGS FOR CASE AND NUMBER



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# Agenda

Word Embedding

Previous Research

Project Idea

Results

# Word Embedding

A Neural  
Probabilistic  
Language Model  
(Bengio et al., 2003)

Word2vec (Mikolov  
et al., 2013)

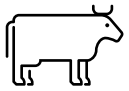
Glove (Pennington  
et al, 2014)

FastText (Joulin et al,  
2016)

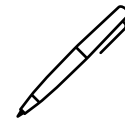
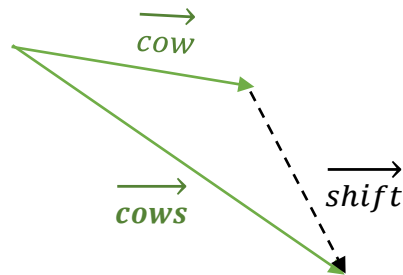
# PREVIOUS RESEARCH

# Semantic properties of English nominal pluralization: Insights from word embeddings

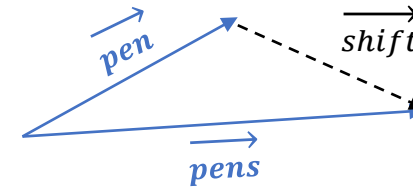
(Elnaz Shafaei-Bajestan, Masoumeh Moradipour-Tari, Peter Uhrig and R. Harald Baayen, 2022)



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- $\text{cows} = \llbracket \text{cow} \rrbracket + \llbracket \text{plural} \rrbracket$



- $\text{pen} = \llbracket \text{pen} \rrbracket$
- $\text{pens} = \llbracket \text{pen} \rrbracket + \llbracket \text{plural} \rrbracket$



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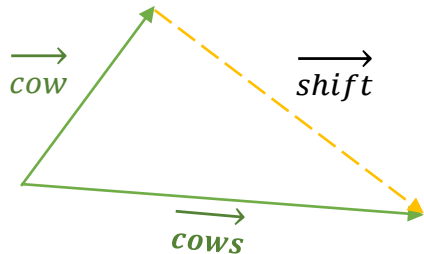


$$\llbracket \text{plural} \rrbracket_{\text{cows-cow}} \approx \llbracket \text{plural} \rrbracket_{\text{pens-pen}}$$

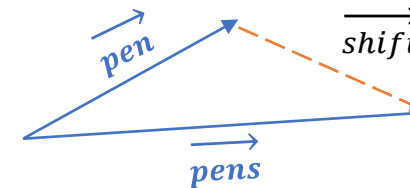
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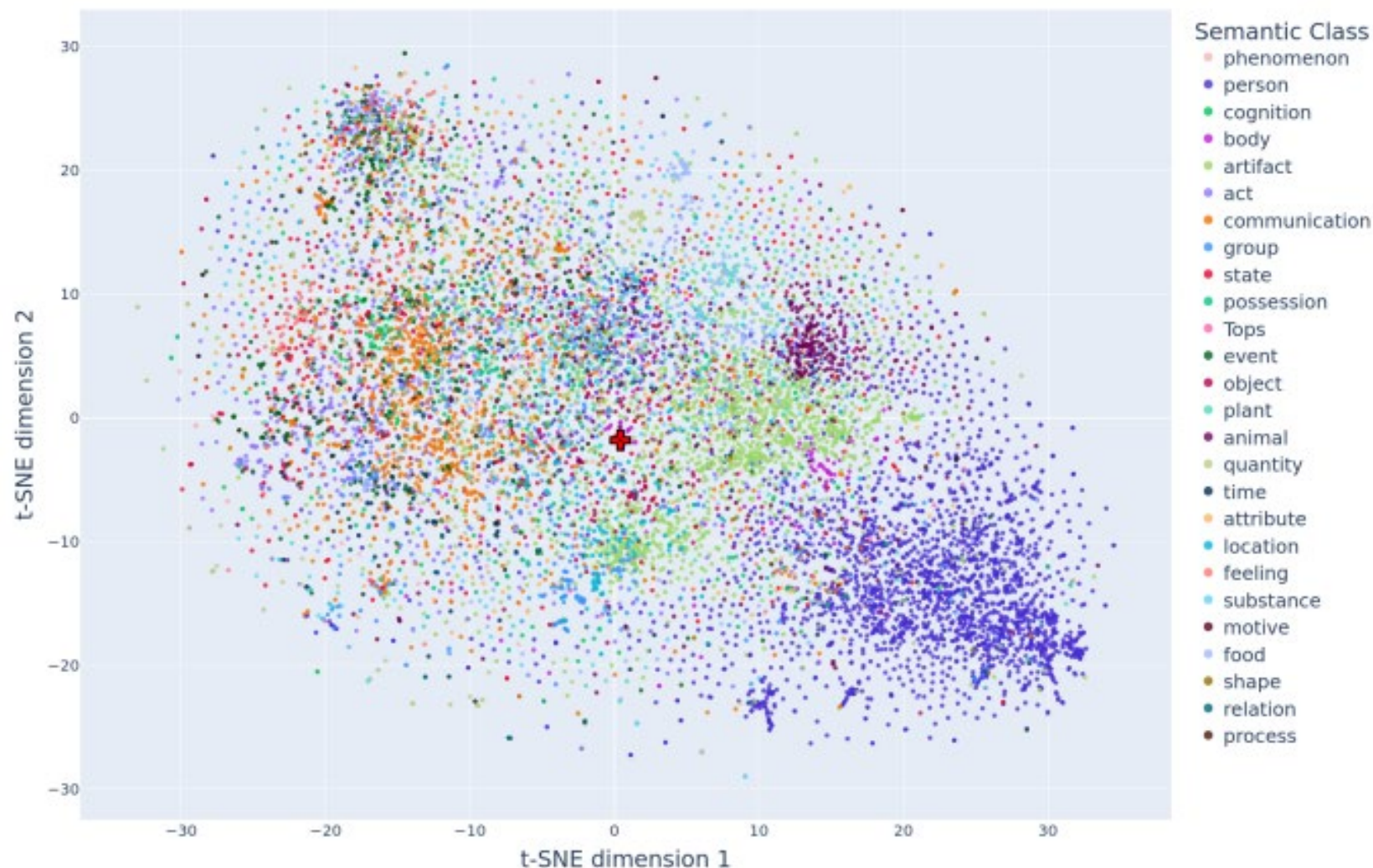
$$\textcircled{?} \quad \llbracket \text{plural}_{\text{animal}} \rrbracket_{\text{cows-cow}} \neq \llbracket \text{plural}_{\text{item}} \rrbracket_{\text{pens-pen}}$$



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$$\overrightarrow{\text{bananas}} = \overrightarrow{\text{banana}} + \overrightarrow{\text{AVG-SHIFT fruit}}$$



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PROJECT IDEA



# Morphologically rich language




at least six cases

singular/plural


at least 12 noun forms

Gender:  
masculine,  
feminine,  
neuter

# Examples of noun declension


case	singular	plural
nom 	jablok-o	jablok-i
acc	jablok-o	jablok-i
gen	jablok-a	jablok - <del>o</del>
dat	jablok-u	jablok-am
instr	jablok-om	jablok-ami
prep	jablok-e	jablok-ach

ENG: apple, neuter

case	singular	plural
nom 	sol'	sol-i
acc	sol'	sol-i
gen	sol-i	sol-ei
dat	sol-i	sol-jam
instr	sol-'ju	sol-jami
prep	sol-i	sol-jach

ENG: salt, feminine

# Examples of noun declension

case	singular	plural
nom 	kukuruz-a (corn)	kukuruz-y
acc	kukuruz-u	kukuruz-y
gen	kukuruz-y	kukuruz- <del>o</del>
dat	kukuruz-e	kukuruz- am
instr	kukuruz-oi	kukuruz- ami
prep	kukuruz-e	kukuruz- ach

ENG: corn, feminine

case	singular	plural
nom	mango	mango
acc	mango	mango
gen	mango	mango
dat	mango	mango
instr	mango	mango
prep	mango	mango

ENG: mango, neuter



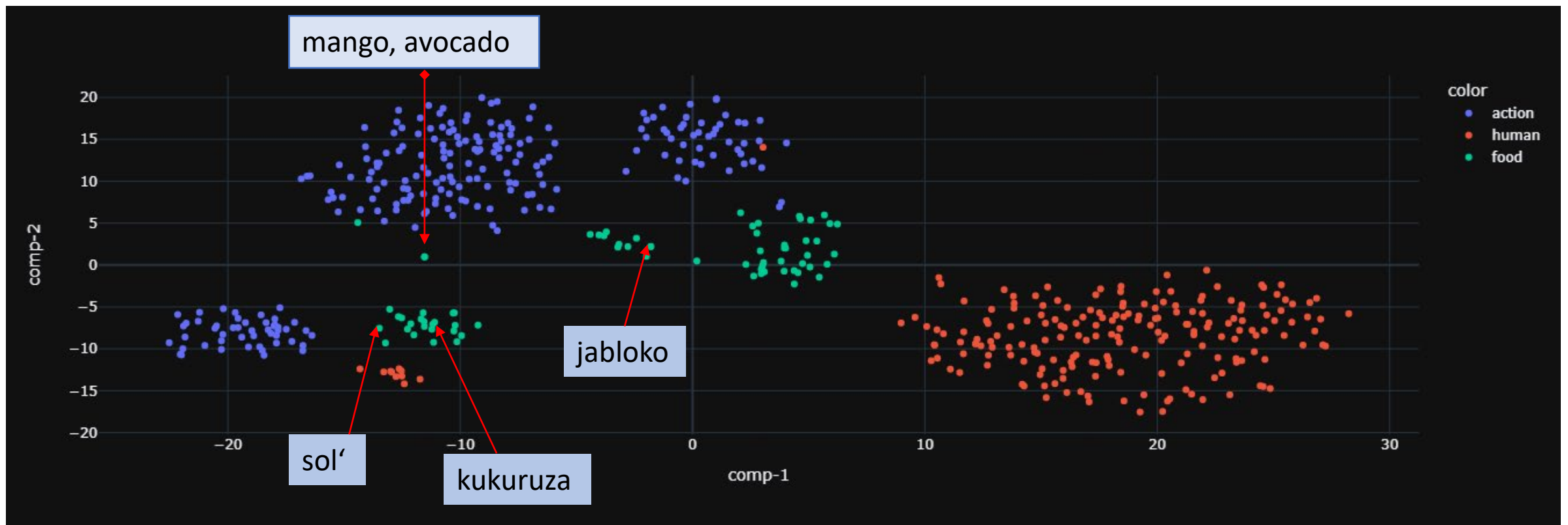
$$\overrightarrow{banana_{gen\ sg}} - \overrightarrow{banan_{nom\ sg}} = \overrightarrow{AVR\ SHIFT_{general}}$$

$$\overrightarrow{banana_{gen\ sg}} - \overrightarrow{banan_{nom\ sg}} = \overrightarrow{AVR\ SHIFT_{food}}$$

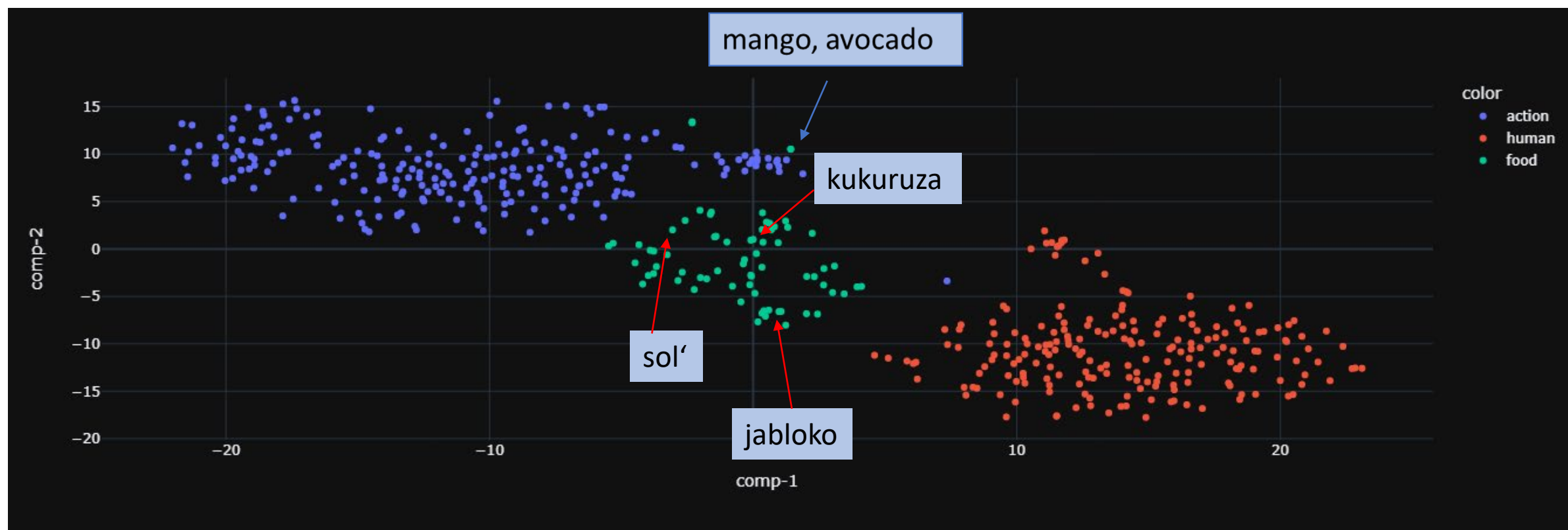
$$\overrightarrow{shift} = \overrightarrow{case} - \overrightarrow{NOM}$$

# RESULTS

# Shift Vector: $\text{gen\_sg} - \text{nom\_sg}$

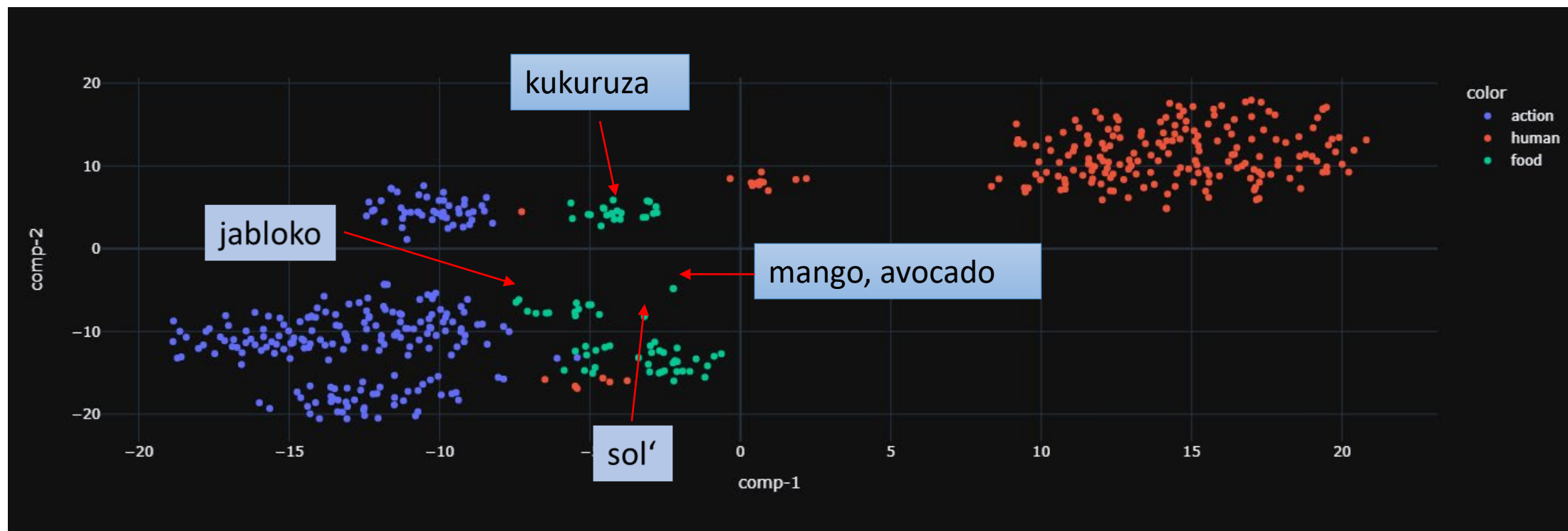


# Shift Vector, Genitive Singular – Base

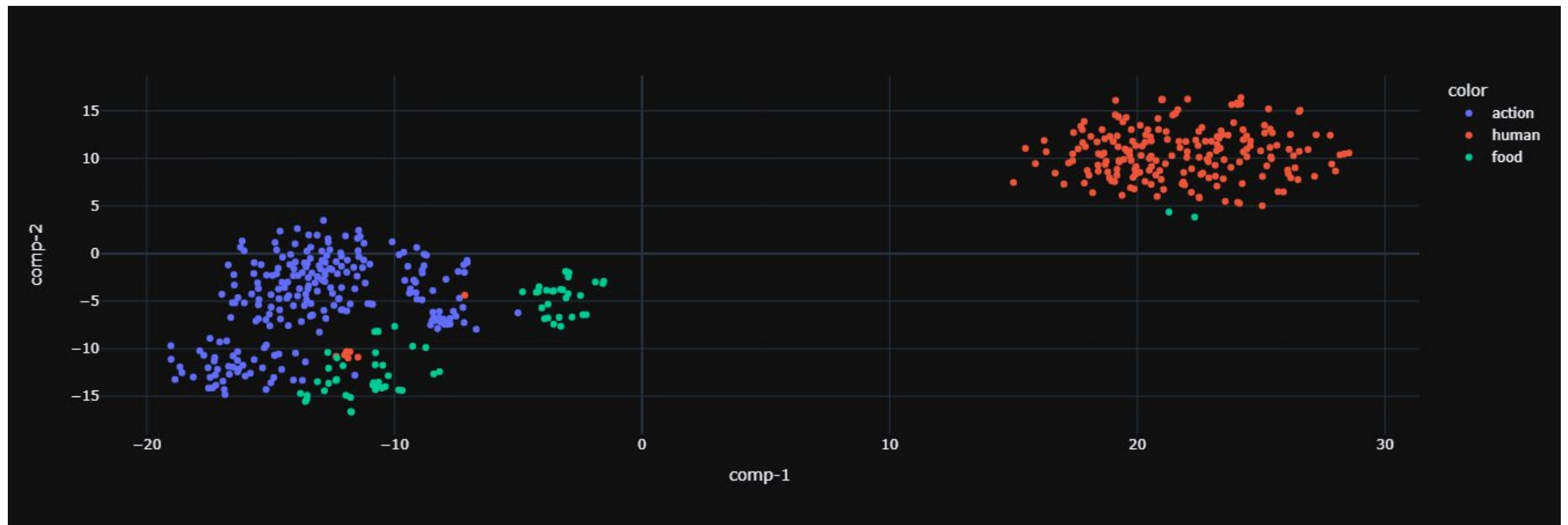




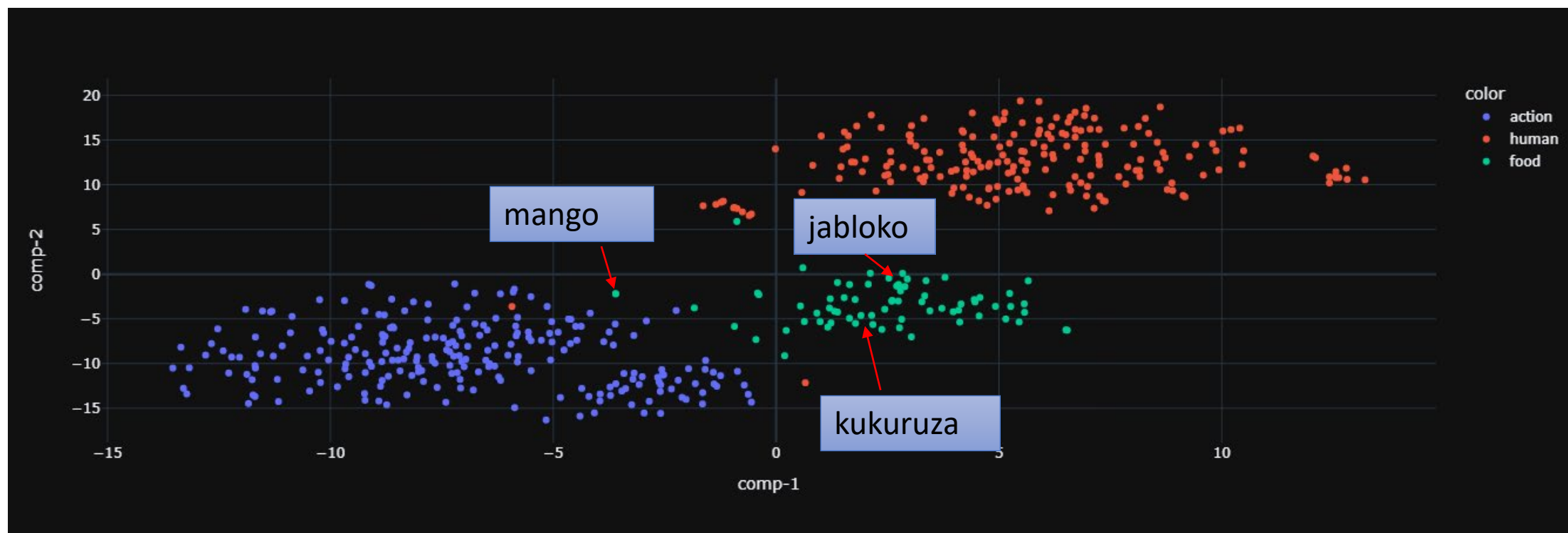
# Shift Vector, Accusative Singular



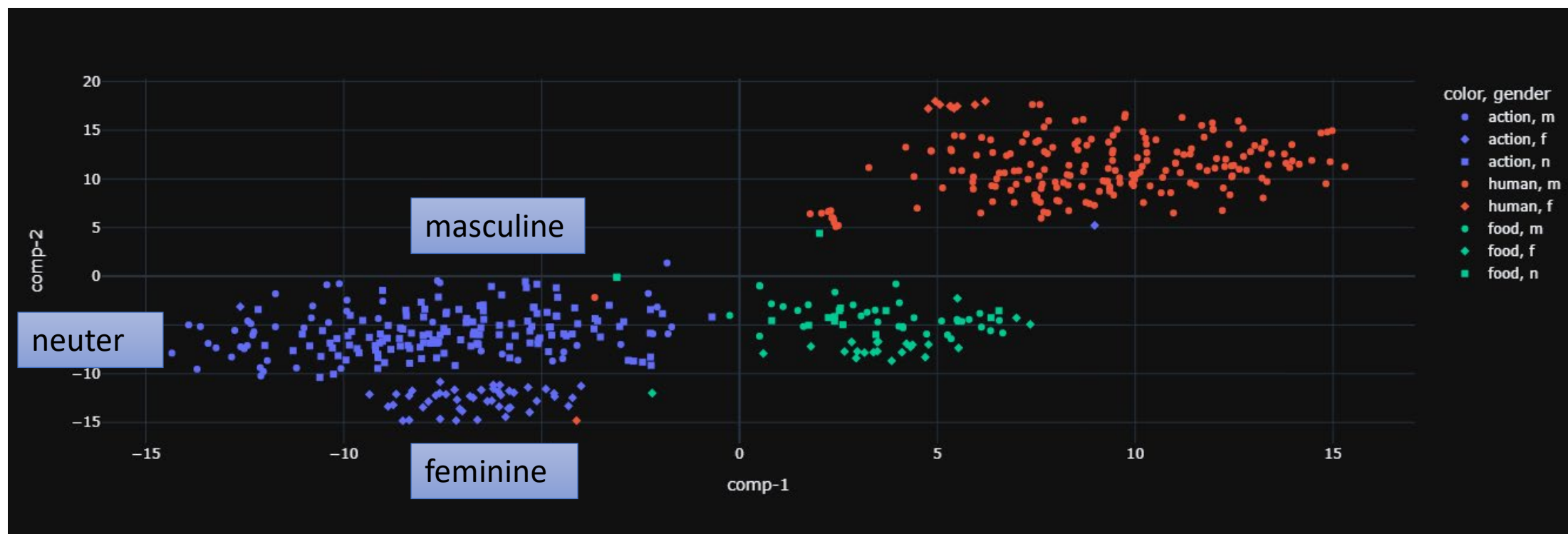
# Shift Vector, Accusative Plural



# Shift Vector, Instrumental Singular



# Shift Vector, Instrumental Singular, Gender



# Summary

Base vector =  
average(word  
paradigm)

Shift vectors can be  
divided into clusters  
according to the  
semantic groups

Shift vectors have  
more features inside  
(gender, declension)

# THANK YOU!

**Any Questions?**

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