

Outdoorsclong

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List of glossing abbreviations

1	first person
3	third person
A ^Z	adjectivalizer
ALIEN	alienable possession particle
COP . PERM	permanent copula
GRD	gerund
INAL	inalienable possession particle
N ^Z	nominalizer
NEG	negative
PL	plural
PST	past
SG	singular

Introduction

Congratulations! What you're holding in your hands is the documentation for Outdoorsclong, the first of Bögtil's conlangs to be documented using L^AT_EX. The documentation consists of three main parts: section 1, constituting the grammar of Outdoorsclong, section 2, a collection of examples showcasing the workings of the language, and section 3, the dictionary. Throughout the grammar and examples parts, *italic* text will be used to show clong forms, /slashes/ the pronunciation, and typewriter font the glossing (with SMALLCAPS DITO marking the grammatical abbreviations and function morphemes). Additionally, text enclosed in 'single quotes' usually stands for an english translation, but is also used for other things. The font used is Tinos, available on Google Fonts.

Relay info

Please read the documentation thoroughly, and do note that the torch sentences are in the 'Examples' section, under the 'Relaysper Sentences' heading, with example numbers beginning in R.

1 Grammar

1.1 Grammar notes

The numbers after the notes are example sentences which showcase the note in question well.

- SVO (2) but topic moved first (1)
- Adverbial phrases (all phrases that aren't verb, object or subject) go after the object if not fronted (3)
- Adjectivals before nominals (1)
- PPs need A^Z to stand as adjectivals (1)
- *walem* 'between' can take two objects. The first one is the bigger or static one (2)
- Predicates can, when nominalized, be incorporated: the nominalization of (SUBJECT) *tie boat* is *boat=tie.GRD* (2). This is one of the main ways agentless sentences are constructed in Outdoorsclong (3). If the object is complex, with multiple words, the gerund is still only cliticized onto the rightmost word, thus neutralizing (at least in spelling) 'fast boattyng' and 'tying of a fast boat' (R4)
- Genitive relations usually are left to context (2), but can be explicitly marked using *INAL* and *ALIEN* (functioning as prepositions: *hand INAL 1SG* 'my hand') (R5)
- Subordinate clauses have the conjunctions announcing them as both subject and topic (3)
- When a subordinate clause is referring to a consequence of the main clause, it is announced via *leywe* (3) . If the subject stays the same between the two clauses, nothing more has to be done (4), if the subject changes a nominalized incorporation is used (3)

- Ordinal numbers are adjectivals of cardinal numbers (cf *one=A^Z* ‘first’). When written with numerals, the *=tu* is superscripted: *1^{tu}* ‘first’ (R5)
- Negation is yet another thing that always is topicalized, together with the rest of its phrase (two negations in the same sentence [who aren’t in the same constituent] is simply ungrammatical). The *NEG* particle can go on both verbs and nouns: after verbs (acting like an object (do note that this doesn’t make the verb intransitive! An actual object can still be had)) and before nouns (acting like an adjective) (R6). This has the interesting implication of *NEG NEG=verb.GRD* ‘no nonverbing’ being a grammatical construction in *Outdoorsclong*
- Conjunctions (not to be confused with subjunctions!) come twice in the sentence: once before the first phrase and once before the second (R3)
- A declarative statement ends, if last word is polysyllabic, in a downstep; if the last word is monosyllabic, its nucleus gets a falling pitch instead. Questions on the other hand have upsteps or rising pitches (written with question marks), with the question pronoun (as of now the only recorded one is *weyl*) as topic (R4)

1.2 Orthography and phonology

The only clusters allowed are intermorphemic ones (as in *kīmlēlid*). Vowels cannot intramorphemically follow one another either. Stress is noncontrastive, but falls on the first syllable. Table 1 shows the phonemes of *Outdoorsclong* and their corresponding graphemes.

Orthography	Pronunciation
<i>b, d, g, p, t, k</i>	/b, ð, ɣ, pʰ, t, kx/
<i>l, β, s, f</i>	/l, ʃ, s, f/
<i>m, n, w, ŋ, z</i>	/m, n, w, ŋ, z/
<i>o, i, e</i>	/õ:, i:, ê:/
<i>oy, ey</i>	/oʏ, εi/
<i>ā, ē, ī, ū, ō</i>	/æ:, e:, i:, u:, ɔ:/
<i>a, e, i, u</i>	/a, ə, ɪ, u/

Table 1: The phonemes of *Outdoorsclong* and their corresponding graphemes

2 Examples

- (1) *Degi walem sɪ βēk fidetu lɔtu kēstu boyb, pil meyneg.*
 on between past across strait=A^Z bridge=A^Z road.PL=A^Z meadow, 1SG lie-PST
 ‘On the meadow between the roads after the bridge over the channel, I laid.’

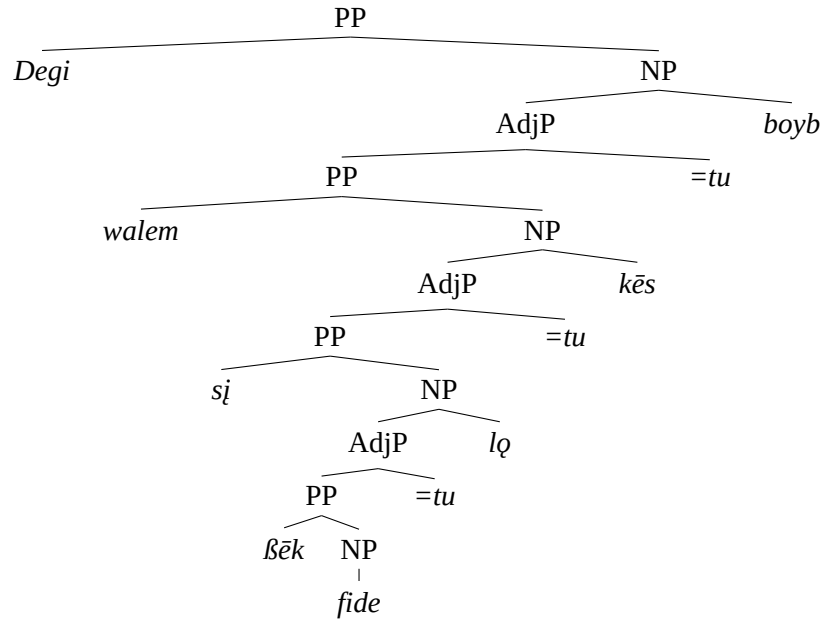


Figure 1: The internal structure of the focused PP in example (1)

- (2) *Walem wāg bapę geyluk zās. Lamenewę teygu kīmlelid.*
 between bay road reeds COP.PERM. lush=N^Z stop boat=tie-GRD
 ‘Between the bay and the road, reeds grow. Their thickness stops boats from landing.’
- (3) *Fē wīwaṇawid gęg, leywe gę kīmlelid kō.*
 eastwards hole=cut-GRD do.PST, thus do boat=tie-GRD yonder
 ‘There’s a cutting a bit east of here, so the boats land there.’
- (4) *Pil ūbit weyleyg walem sizi, leywe loy piḥi.*
 1SG hear noise.PL between tree.PL, thus feel fear
 ‘I hear noises in the woods and they scare me.’

Relaysper Sentences

- (R1) *Fqw aḥṇkīwed Kelegoykēsa feyd kelūl.*
- (R2) *Kelegoykēsa feyd kelūl.*
- (R3) *Weyl lękam 13 bōweyz lękam 2 441 Ekasey?*

(R4) *Weyl alēf walem woyl dewizoyget?*

(R5) *Weyl 1 436 dewiz βiβaw Ekasey gēŋq 1^{tu} kigewu?*

(R6) *Kāβit neŋ Kelegoykēsa keg sape.*

(R7) *Ekasey loyte kigewu.*

3 Dictionary

3.1 Reading Instructions

After the bold word, a pronunciation follows. After that, the declension (if applicable), with the plural of nouns and the past and gerund forms of verbs. Even though the pronunciation is predictable from the spelling, the pronunciation is included for the dictionary form of the entry.

3.2 Dictionary

lq /lā:/ *noun*, pl. *loyn* — a bridge big enough to drive a boat under

kāβ /kxæ:/ *noun*, pl. *kēβ* — a road or path which is in an open area

fide /fi:ðə/ *noun*, pl. *fīdi* — a narrow passage of water; river, strait, etc

βēk /je:kx/ *preposition* — crossing above *like a bridge, road, branch, etc*

walem /waɫəm/ *preposition* — inbetween, bounded by, in the corner of

sī /sī:/ *preposition* — behind, having *been* passed *both temporally and spatially*

zās /zæ:s/ *verb*, pst. *zāg*, grd. *sū* — to exist permanently

fē /fē:/ *verb*, pst. *fēŋ*, grd. *fēd* — to exist temporarily

meŋŋe /mæŋə/ *verb*, pst. *meŋŋeg*, grd. *meŋŋed* — to recline, lie, with no intention to sleep

pil /pfi/ *pronoun* — 1sg

keg /kxə/ *pronoun* — demonstrative, out of sight

=tu /tu/ *clitic* — A^z

degi /ðəɣi/ *preposition* — attached to/on a surface

boyb /boyb/ *noun*, pl. *boyb* — meadow, steppe, grassland; vast empty grasscovered area

bape /bapfē:/ *noun*, pl. *bapīn* — a road or path in a wooded area

wāg /wæ:ɣ/ *noun*, pl. *wēg* — a body of water where you can see to the other side

geyluk /ɣeɪlukx/ *noun*, pl. nonexistent — reeds; undergrowth where land meets water

fuβ /fu/ *pronoun* — 3sg

=wē /wē:/ *clitic* — N^z *not used for verbs! use GRD instead*

lemanē /ləmanə/ *adjective* — thick, dense, lush, wellgrowing

teygu /teɪɣu/ *verb*, pst. *teygug*, grd. *teygut* — to prevent, make unable, stop

leli /ləli/ *verb*, pst. *lelī*, grd. *lelid* — to tie, bind, leash
kīm /kxi:m/ *noun*, pl. *kīm* — boat primarily used for transport of a single *or a few* persons
fē, pit, soy, nip /fe:, pfit, soy, nɪpf/ *adverbs* — east-/west-/north-/southways
wīwa /wi:wa/ *noun*, pl. *wīwi* — hole, passage, clearing
ḡawi /ḡawɪ/ *verb*, pst. *ḡawig*, grd. *ḡawid* — to cut, reap, harvest, fell
gę /ɣɛ:/ *verb*, pst. *gęg*, grd. *gād* — to do, finish
teywe /teɪwə/ *subjunction* — hence, therefore, thus
kō /kɔ:/ *adverb* — there (out of sight)
size /sɪzə/ *noun*, pl. *sizi* — tree, large bush *like a lilac or alder*
ūbit /u:bit/ *verb*, pst. *ūbig*, grd. *ūbid* — to hear
loy /loɪ/ *verb*, pst. *loyg*, grd. *loyd* — to feel, experience *about emotions*
weylag /weɪlay/ *noun*, pl. *weyleyg* — noise, unpleasant *and unwanted* sound
piḡi /pɪfɪ/ *noun*, pl. *piḡi* — fear, fright, worry
fōw /fō:w/ *preposition* — with, in the company of; among, *submerged in*
kigewu /kxiɣəwu/ *noun*, pl. *kigewoy* — portable cloth container: bag, pouch, etc
feyd /feɪð/ *verb*, pst. *feyg*, grd. *feyd* — near, come closer to, *when with a nominalized verb* almost finish, approach
kelūl /kxəlu:l/ *noun*, pl. *kelīl* — hero, demigod, mythical figure *figuratively* muscular man
Kelegoykesā /kxələɣoɣkxəsə:/ *noun*, pl. *Kelegoykesē* — *given name*
Ekasa /əkxasa/ *noun*, pl. *Ekasey* — *given name*
lękam /lɛ:kxam/ *conjunction* — or, either of *when only two things are contrasted*
bōwaz /bɔ:waz/ *noun*, pl. *bōweyz* — human; member of society
gēḡo /ɣe:ḡo:/ *verb*, pst. *gēḡog*, grd. *gēḡod* — pay *for*, buy, be/have enough *for buying*
ḡiḡaw /ɣɪɣaw/ *preposition* — ALIEN
dewaz /ðəwaz/ *noun*, pl. *dewiz* — coin, piece of metal *commonly gold*, shiny *small* object
weyl /weɪl/ *pronoun* — why, wherefore, for what reason
kāḡit /kæ:ɣit/ *verb*, pst. *kāḡik*, grd. *kāḡid* — care about, regard, think of, hold dear
neḡ /nəḡ/ *negation* — NEG
sape /sapfə/ *noun*, pl. *sapi* — quarrel, small fight *where blood isn't drawn*, *figuratively* banter
loyte /loɪtə/ *verb*, pst. *loyteg*, grd. *loyted* — *of personal items and memorabilia* keep safe, guard; store; *of food* conserve, pickle
oyge /oɪɣə/ *verb*, pst. *oykeg*, grd. *oyget* — own, keep, *of animals* be bonded to, have in possession
alēf /ale:f/ *noun*, pl. *aleyf* — safety, peace, calm
woyl /woɪl/ *adjective* — many, much
kīwel /kxi:wəl/ *verb*, pst. *kīweg*, grd. *kīwed* — order, command, *colloquially* force
aḡiḡ /aɣi:ḡ/ *noun*, pl. *aḡiḡ* — obedience, respect, devotion