

A corpus of Andi field recordings

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Outline of the talk

- Corpora of Linguistic Convergence Laboratory
- An example of Meadow Mari corpus
- Andi language and its data
- Our path towards the corpus

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- Russian Dialect corpora (14)
- Corpora of Bilingual Russian (7)
- Corpora of minority languages of Russia (6)

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Resources

Khislavichi
dialect

Tokens: 260 793

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Keba dialect

Tokens: 54 535

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Luzhnikovo
dialect

Tokens: 68 666

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Lukh and Teza
river basins
dialects

Tokens: 146 350

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Malinino
dialect

Tokens: 138 943

[View](#)

Nekhochi
dialect

Tokens: 88 965

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OPOCHETSKY
dialects

Tokens: 68 741

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Rogovatka
dialect

Tokens: 100 047

[View](#)

Spiridonova
Buda dialect

Tokens: 70 565

[View](#)

Shetnevo and
Makeevo
dialect

Tokens: 58 003

[View](#)

Tserkovnoe
dialect

Tokens: 19 960

[View](#)

Upper Pinega
and Vyga river
basins dialect

Tokens: 70 803

[View](#)

Ustja River
Basin dialects

Tokens: 959 782

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Zvenigorod
dialect

Tokens: 68 324

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<p>Bashkortostan Russian</p> <p>Tokens: ND</p> <p>View</p>	<p>Beserman Russian</p> <p>Tokens: 97 216</p> <p>View</p>	<p>Chuvash Russian</p> <p>Tokens: 46 307</p> <p>View</p>	<p>Daghestanian Russian</p> <p>Tokens: 227 885</p> <p>View</p>
<p>Karelian Russian</p> <p>Tokens: 74 014</p> <p>View</p>	<p>Romani Russian</p> <p>Tokens: 41 767</p> <p>View</p>	<p>Yakut Russian</p> <p>Tokens: 15 139</p> <p>View</p>	

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Resources

Dialect corpora	Corpora of bilingual Russian	Corpora of minority languages of Russia	
<div>Abaza</div> <div>Tokens: 3 636</div> <div>View</div>	<div>Adyghe</div> <div>Tokens: ND</div> <div>View</div>	<div>Bashkir</div> <div>Tokens: ~25 000</div> <div>View</div>	<div>Kabardian</div> <div>Tokens: ND</div> <div>View</div>
<div>Khakas</div> <div>Tokens: ~58 000</div> <div>View</div>	<div>Meadow Mari</div> <div>Tokens: ND</div> <div>View</div>		

Example of Meadow Mari corpus

[Meadow Mari Spoken Corpus](#)

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● Word #1

Word:

Lemma: кошташ

Grammar:

Gloss:

Language/tier: Meadow Mari



speaker: anf
speaker_name: Фёдорова Анна Николаевна
dialect: моркинско-сернурский
gender: f
place of birth:
year of birth: 1930
education:
year: 2018

Full-text search: ☒ Precise match

Search sentences

Search words / lemmata



Select subcorpus



Search result: 98 occurrences, 94 sentences found in approximately 10 documents.

Биография А. Н. Ф. (часть 2) 2018

а мый кум кече веле **коштына** чла Реру-Ушчунг

а мы за три дня доезжали



Биография З. И. Е. (часть 2)

<нрзб> **коштыт**...

Очень много ходило...



Биография З. И. Е. (часть 2) 2018

Эмланже гын пеш **коштына** ыле,



коштына
кошташ V
кошт-ына
STEM-NPST.1PL
gr: npst, 1, pl
trans_ru: ходить



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Example of Meadow Mari corpus

- translation
- glosses
- audio/video
- export to `.xlsx`
- sociolinguistic information

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- hierarchy of tiers
- time alignment
- stem forms

Developing the corpus of Andi

The Andi Language: a sociolinguistic background

- Andic < Avar-Andic < East Caucasian, glottocode [andi1255]
- spoken in several villages of the Botlikh district of Dagestan.
- more than 20,000 speakers of Andi [[Aglarov \(2002\)](#); All-Russian National Census 2010]
- Andi speakers are trilingual in Andi, Avar and Russian
- Avar serves as a lingua franca and is taught in school ([Dobrushina et al. 2017](#))



Andic data

	Andi	Rikvani	Gagatli	Zilo
sources	(Kibrik and Kodzasov 1988; Alekseev 1999); (Dirr 1906); (Tsertsvadze 1965)	(Sulejmanov 1957)	(Salimov 2010)	(Kaye et al. rthc)
grammar sketch	+	+	+	+
dictionary	+	-	±	±
morphological parser	± ¹	-	-	-

¹A pilot version of a morphological parser of Andi is presented in (Buntyakova 2022).

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- How many hours do we have?
- How much is annotated?

- Andi has several dialects and no cross-dialectal standard;
 - no full-fledged dictionary
 - no full-fledged grammatical parser (though see a first attempt in ([Buntyakova 2022](#)))
- Our recorded data are heterogeneous
 - different dialects
 - different conventions
 - different file formats
- Due to our limited knowledge of the Andi dialects, sometimes we do not know what the correct analysis of a given word form is.

The material has to be converted to a singular format using [phonfieldwork](#) ([Moroz 2020](#)). For the Andi dialectal corpus the pipeline is as follows:

- we preprocess the annotation files, converting them to ELAN [.eaf](#) format ([Wittenburg et al. 2006](#)),
- align them with the sound
- gloss them manually or correct mistakes and ambiguities left by morphological parser
- publish online using the Tsakorpus platform ([Arkhangelskiy 2019](#))
- repeat all previous steps

Conclusions

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Thank you for your attention!

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