

Russian verbs in Northern Selkup speech



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Selkup Languages: Uralic, Samoyedic

Population Census 2010

Ethnic group strength 3612

Consider Selkup their mother tongue 1334 (36,6%)

Selkup speakers 945 (25,9%) / about 600

Northern Selkup

Ethnic group strength 1811

*Consider Northern Selkup their mother tongue 1271
(70%)*

Northern Selkup speakers 866 (49%) / about 600

Southern Selkup

Ethnic group strength 1181

Consider Southern Selkup their mother tongue 22 (1,9%)

Southern Selkup speakers 50 (4%) / under 10 (3)

Plan

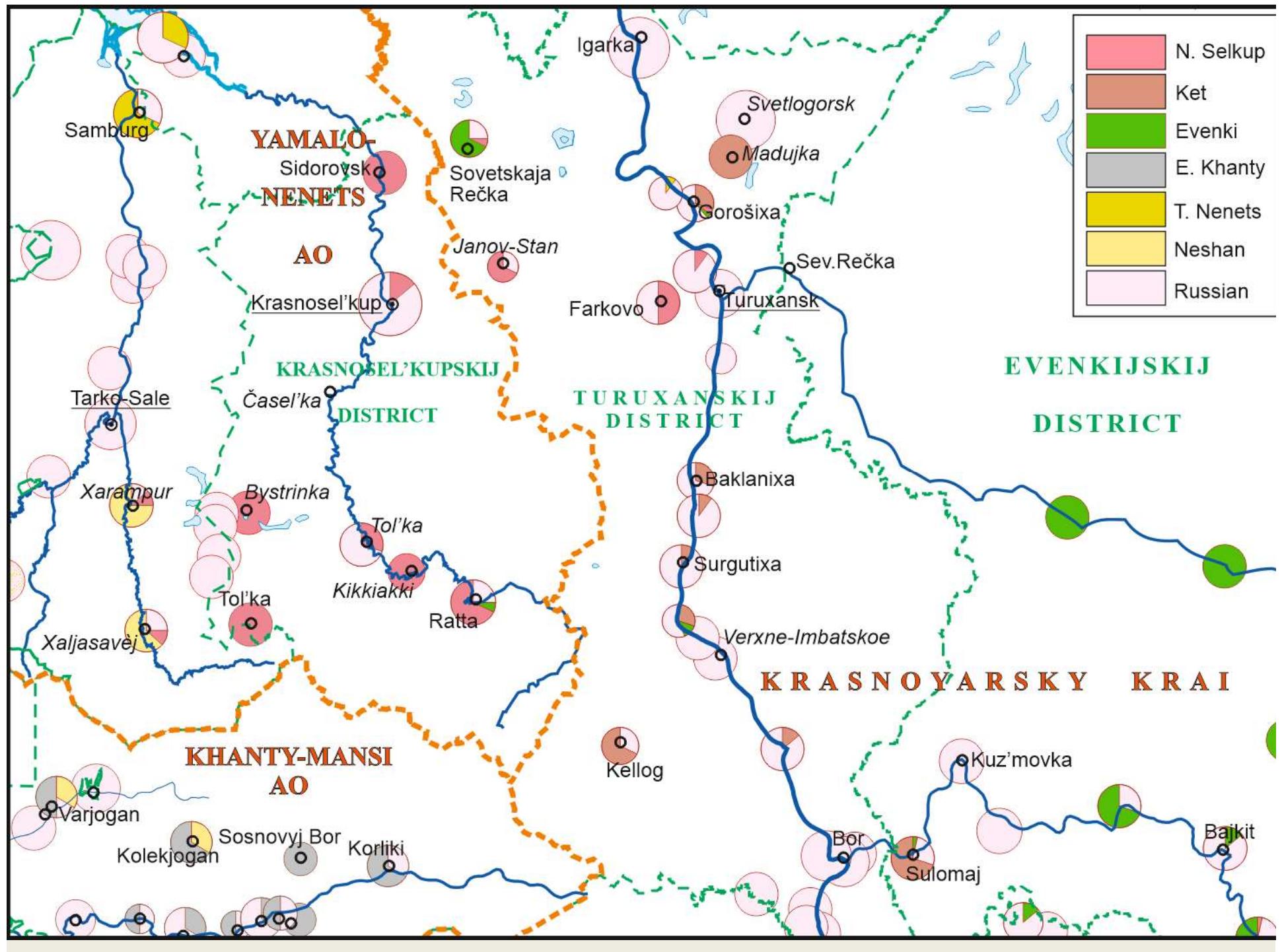
- *Data*
- *Borrowing vs code-switching*
- *Insertion strategies (after Diana Forker)*
- *Insertion strategies in Selkup*
- *Insertion strategies in Evenki*
- *Conclusion: what should be done next*

Языки Сибири



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●	кетский
▼	северноюгагирский
▲	южноюгагирский
■	чукотский
■	корякский
■	ительменский
◆	эскимосские
▼	алеутский
●	нивхский
▲	корейский



Selkup Data

- *Selkup texts from Georgiy and Ekaterina Prokofievs Archive (1925–1928);*
- *Ludmila Varkovitskaya Archive (1941)*
- *Northern Selkup folklore texts from Angelina Kuznetsova Archive (1960s–1970s);*
- *Northern Selkup texts from Dulson et Co archive (1960s–1980s)*
- *MSU Corpus (Ariadna Kuznetsova et Co) (1970–1977);*
- *Selkup songs from Victor Rudolf audio archive (1982);*
- *Northern Selkup texts from multi-media computer archive of LCL RCC MSU / LRSML IL RAS (1996–2018)*

Verb insertion strategies (J. Wohlgemuth, D. Forker)

- *Paradigm insertion*
- *Direct insertion*
- *Indirect insertion*
- *The light verb strategy*
- *Semantic borrowing*

Islet /Paradigm insertion

- (1) n̪imti i mat подня-л-ся
then and 1SG rise.up-PST.M-RFL[R]
wətʃ'tʃi-tʃi-s-ak buran mi-s-ak
rise-DETR-PST-1SG.SBJ motor-sley take-PST-3SG
'At that time I improved my business (lit. rose up)'
(Kazakevich et al. 2008)

- (2) qumi-ti-m neinta t̪imti раскулачива-л-и
человек-PL-ACC so.it.is here dispossess-PST-PL[R]
'People were dispossessed here' (KS 2013)

Direct insertion

(3) *þittæλ kor-alt-ɔ:t nεinta aj*
then turn-TR-3PL so.it.is and
pitaj-q-olam-n-ɔ:t
torture-INF-AUX.INCH-EP-3PL

‘Then they turned (him back), so it is, and began to torture (him)’ (KS 2013)

(4) *qətti-nti taskaj-mi-mp-ɔ:t*
town-ILL carry-DUR-PSTN-3PL

‘They transported (lit. carried) (goods) to the settlement’ (Ch 2013)

Indirect insertion -ŋ

- (5) tam y:t̪-n reʃt̪-ŋ-nənt-ɔ:m̪t̪
this evening-ADVZ decide-VBLZ-FUT-1PL
kuttarɛ:-t̪iλ qə:t̪i mɔ:n-nənt-iči
how be-PTC.PRS wisdom measure-Fut-3SG.OBJ
'This evening we will decide what kind of wisdom he
will measure' (Kuznetrsova et al. 1992)

- (6) n̪imti kontʃt̪-k-s-ap
here finish-VBLZ-PST-1SG.OBJ
ʃitt̪i tʃæ:ŋk̪i-t̪i köt klassa-t
two NEG-PTC.PRS ten grade-PL
'Here I finished eighth (school) grades' (TKS 2013)

Indirect insertion -**ŋ** /-**tti**

utʃ̩i-**ŋ**-qo ‘to teach’ – utʃ̩i-**tti**-qa ‘to learn’

(7) t̩i: ſ̩εnti nu-ʃ̩-ʃ̩yntʃ̩a:-qin

now new sky-GEN-inside-LOC

nada soma-k **utʃ̩i-tti**-qa

necessary good-ADVZ learn-VBLZ.DETR-INF

‘Now in the new world (lit. under the new sky) it is
necessary to learn well’ (TKS 2013)

(8) n̩i:n̩i t̩imti **ropi-tti**-s-ax

then here work-DETR-PST-1SG.SBJ

‘Then I worked here’ (TKS 2013)

Indirect insertion -**ŋ** /-**tt̪**

- (9) na ruʃt̪-n s̪tq̪tl-læ
 this Russian-PL climb-CVB
vs̪o.ravno kapaj-ŋ-q-olam-p-ɔ:t
all.the.same dig-VBLZ-INF-AUX.INCH-PSTN-3PL
'These Russians having climbed up all the same began
to dig' (BKL 1999)

Indirect insertion -**ŋ** /-**tt̪**

- (10) **tada** družba tʃæ:ŋki-s-a uti-sæ
then Druzhba NEG-PST-3SG.SBJ руки-INS
po:-p **pjiljti-ŋ-o:l-k-o:tit**
wood-ACC saw-VBLZ-PLOBJ-HAB-3PL
'Then there was no Druzhba (benzin saw),
people sawed wood by hand' (SR 1998)

Evenki Data

Evenki Corpus 33500 tokens

<http://gisly.net> (Elena Klyachko)

- Archival texts recorded by G. Vasilevich and E. Lebedeva
- *Northern Selkup texts from multi-media computer archive of LCL RCC MSU / LRSMIL IL RAS (1996–2018)*

Islet /Paradigm insertion

(11) bi strelka-du: bi-d'ə-nə

1SG Strelka-DATLOC be-IPFV-CVSIM

хорошо охоти-л-ся

well hunt-PST.M-RFL[R]

‘Being in Strelka I hunted well’ (Sch 2007)

Direct insertion

(12) amaski: bulta:-nə-duk-pi

in.the.past prey-PPF-ABL-RFL

polutʃaj-d'ə-ŋki-w prəmə-wə

receive-IPFV-PSTITER-1SG prize-ACC

‘In the past I received prizes after the hunting season’ (Vivi 1952)

(13) kalan-ma **wari-tʃa-l** tarə **wari-tʃa-l**

pot-ACC boil-PANT-PL that.ACC boil-PANT-PL

‘They boiled and boiled the pot’ (EB 2016)

Direct insertion

- (14) aja-mama-t **ohot'i-l-śa-d'ə-tʃā-w**
good-INTS-ADVZ hunt-PST-RFL[R]-IPFV-PST-1SG
'I hunted very well' (SCh2007)

The following steps

Counting insertions

Southern Selkup data

Written texts data

Evenki data

Abbreviations

Settlements: BKL Baklanikha, EB Erbogachen, Ch Chaselka, KS Krasnoselkup, SCh Strelka-Chunia, SR Sovetskaya Rechka, TKS Tolka (Krasnoselkup district)

Glosses: ABL ablative, ACC accusative, ADVZ adverbalizer, AUX auxiliary verb, CVB converb, CVSIM simultaneous converb, DATLOC dative-locative, DETR detransitive, DUR durative, EP insertion, FUT future tens, GEN genitive, HAB habitual, ILL illative, INCH inchoative, INF infinitive, INS instrumental, INTS intensifier, IPFV imperfective, LOC locative, M masculine, NEG negation, OBJ objective conjugation type, PANT anterior participle, PI plural, PLOBJ multi-objective, PPF perfective participle, PRS present, PST past, PSTN past narrative, PTC participle, RFL reflexive, SG singular, SBJ subjective conjugation type, TR transitivizer, VBLZ verbalizer, [R] Russian grammar markers.

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