

CO-AFFIXES OF LOCAL CASES AND LOCATIVE ADJECTIVES IN SAMOYED

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[tables from Däbritz 2017: 66–68]

Tundra Nenets

	SG	DU	PL
NOM	-∅		-ʔ
GEN	-ʔ	-kəʔ ~ -χəʔ	Vokalwechsel + -ʔ
ACC	-m		Vokalwechsel
LAT	-nəʔ ~ -təʔ		GEN.DU + n'aʔ
LOC	-kəna ~ -χəna	GEN.DU + n'ana	-kəʔna ~ -χəʔna
ABL	-kəd ~ -χəd	GEN.DU + n'ad	-kət(ə) ~ -χət(ə)
PROL	-m(ə)na	GEN.DU + n'amna	GEN.PL + -m(ə)na

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Forest Nenets

	SG	DU	PL
NOM	-∅	-kʔ ~ -hVŋ	-ʔ ~ -∅
GEN	-∅ ~ -ŋ		Vokalwechsel + -ʔ
ACC	-∅ ~ -m		Vokalwechsel ~ Vokalwechsel + -j
LAT	-n ~ -t	GEN.DU + <i>n'āŋ</i>	-kʔ ~ -hVʔ
LOC	-kV na ~ -hV na	GEN.DU + <i>n'āna</i>	-kaʔ na ~ -hVʔ na
ABL	-kV t ~ -hV t	GEN.DU + <i>n'āŋat</i>	-kāʔ t ~ -hV t
PROL	- <i>m(a)na</i>	GEN.DU + <i>n'āmna</i>	GEN.PL + - <i>m(a)na</i>

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Forest Enets

	SG	DU	PL
NOM	-∅	-kiʔ ~ -giʔ ~ -χiʔ	(Vokalwechsel) + -ʔ
GEN	-∅		
ACC	-∅		
LAT	-t ~ -d	GEN.DU + năʔ	-kið ~ -gið ~ -χið
LOC	-kun ~ -gun ~ -χan	GEN.DU + nän	-kin ~ -gin ~ -χin
ABL	-kuð ~ -guð ~ -χað	GEN.DU + năð	-kit ~ -git ~ -χit
PROL	(-Vn)	-	-

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Nganasan

	SG	DU	PL
NOM	-Ø	-Kəj	-ʔ
GEN	-Ø	-Ki	-ʔ
ACC	-Ø	-Ki	-j
LAT	-NTə ^N	GEN.DU + <i>na</i>	-NTiʔ
LOC	-NTənU	GEN.DU + <i>nanu</i>	-NTi ^N nU
ABL	-Kə ^N tə	GEN.DU + <i>nagətə</i>	-Ki ^N tə
PROL	-mənU	GEN.DU + <i>namənu</i>	GEN.PL + -mənU

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Taz Selkup

	SG	DU	PL
NOM	-∅	-qɪ	-n ~ -t
GEN	-n ~ -t	-qɪn ~ -qɪt	-nɪn ~ -tɪn
ACC	-m ~ -p	-qɪm ~ -qɪp	-nɪm ~ -tɪp
LAT	-ti ~ -nti	-qɪtkɪni	-tkɪni
LOC	-qɪn ~ -qɪt	-qɪqɪn ~ -qɪqɪt	-tqɪn ~ -tqɪt
ABL	-qɪni	-qɪqɪni	-tqɪni
PROL	-mɪn ~ -mɪt	-qɪmɪn ~ -qɪmɪt	-nmɪn ~ -nmɪt

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South Selkup

	SG	DU	PL
NOM	-∅	-qi ~ -sak	-la
GEN	-n ~ -t	-qin ~ -qit	-lan ~ -lat
ACC	-m ~ -p	-qim ~ -qip	-lam ~ -lap
LAT	-nti ~ -ti ~ -ndə	-qinti ~ -qiti ~ -qint ~ -qind	-land ~ -landə
LOC	-qin ~ -qit ~ -yon	-qiqin ~ -qiqit ~ -qiyit	-layon ~ -layot
ABL	-qinto	-qiqinto	-layondo
PROL	-min ~ -mit	-qimin ~ -qimit	-laut(e)

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Kamas

	SG	DU	PL
NOM	-∅	(-zəgej)	-zaŋ ~ -jeʔ
GEN	-n	nicht belegt	-zaŋəŋ ~ -in
ACC	-m		-zaŋəm ~ -im
LAT	-nə		-zand ^ə ~ -inə
LOC	-ɣân		-zaŋɣân ~ -iɣân
ABL	-ɣâp		-zaŋɣâp ~ -iɣâp

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Mator

	SG	DU	PL
NOM	-Ø	nicht belegt	
GEN	- <i>n</i>		
ACC	- <i>m</i>		
LAT	- <i>ndə</i>		
LOC	- <i>kənA</i> ~ - <i>gənA</i>		
ABL	(- <i>du</i> ~ - <i>adu</i>)		
PROL	(- <i>mna</i>)		

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Singular

	Nen & En	Ngan	Taz Selk	South Selk	Kam	Mat
LAT	<i>*-ntə-n</i> <i>*-kə- P_X</i>	<i>*-ntə-n</i>	<i>*-ntə</i>	<i>*-ntə</i>	<i>*-ntə</i>	<i>*-ntə</i>
LOC	<i>*-kə-nå</i>	<i>*-ntə-nå</i>	<i>*-kə-nå</i>	<i>*-kə-nå</i>	<i>*-kə-nå</i>	<i>*-kə-nå</i>
ABL	<i>*-kə-tə</i>	<i>*-kə-tə</i>	<i>*-kə-tə</i>	<i>*-kə-tə</i>	<i>*-kə-tə</i>	

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Plural
[Däbritz 2017: 76]

NORDSAMOJEDISCH			
	NENZISCH	ENZISCH	NGANASANISCH
NOM	*-t	(*-j) + *-t	*-t
GEN	*-j + *-t	*-j + *-t	*-j + *-t
ACC	*-j	*-j + *-t	*-j
LAT	*-kə + *-t	*-kə + *-j + *-tə	*-ntə + *-j + *-t
LOK	*-kə + *-t + *-na	*-kə + *-j + *-na	*-ntə + *-j + *-na
ABL	*-kə + *-t + *-tə	*-kə + *-j + *-tə + *-tə (???)	*-kə + *-j + *-tə
PROL	GEN.PL + *-mənA		
SÜDSAMOJEDISCH			
	SELKUPISCH	KAMASSISCH	
NOM	*-t ~ -la	-zay ~ -je?	
GEN	NOM.PL + CX (Kamassisch: -i-cx)		
ACC			
LAT			
LOC			
ABL			
PROL			

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Dual

Northern Samoyed NO

Southern Samoyed NOM.DU + Cx

Origin of the co-affixes

A “standard” view:

- *-kə-* and *-ntə-* are originally the LAT endings;
- LOC and ABL are LAT + LOC and LAT + ABL (and LAT + LAT, too);
- *-kə* is a derivational suffix with a locative meaning and is to be compared to the PFU *-ka/-kä*
- *-kə* = Nen *-кы* (Künnap 2000)

Collinder 1960: 283; Rédei 1996; Janhunen 1998: 469; Alatalo 1999: 16; Künnap 2000: 162; Mikola 2004: 100–101...

Locative adjectives on **-kə-jə* are well attested

Nen. **-kə-jə* > *-xy*, *-ky*, *-zy* /-ki°/:

вың-зы ‘related to the tundra’, *нум-зы* ‘star’ (“celestial”), *ер-кы* ‘middle’, *есч-зы* ‘being in a trap’, *мя-кы* ‘related to the home’, *хой-хы* ‘related to the mountain’, *хэв-хы* ‘being on X side’ etc.

En. **-kə-jə* > *xi*, *-ki*, *-gi*

ηaa-xi ‘celestial; Russian official’,
ида-xi ‘передовой олень’ (which is in the hand),
me-ki ‘related to the home’

Ngan. **-kə-jə* > *kəə*

lapsə-kəə ‘the youngest child’ (“being in the cradle”),
ηojbu-kəə ‘shaman’s head-gear’

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Selkup *-ḳj-l'*

üt-ḳj-l' 'being in the water', *šöt-ḳj-l'* 'being in the forest'

Locative adjectives on **-ntə-jə* are well attested at least in Nganasan

kəi-təə ‘being on X side’,

ŋuə-ntəə ‘celestial; Russian official’

bj-təə ‘being in the water’

? Nen *НѐНЫ* /nyoni°/ ‘a pole set beside the door’ ← *Hѐ* ‘door’

=> **-ntə* is another locative formant, similar to **-kə*.

Were **-kə* and **-ntə* used alone?

Nen.

хэңг /xeŋk°/ укрытие

хыңг /xiŋk°/ емкость, вместимость

неңг /nyeŋk°/ внутренняя часть заграждения
(напр. невода, загона; круг, образованный
нартами во время коллективной охоты на
песцов и т. п.)

Selk.

säq-qj 'dense forest'

Local cases and adjective agreement

Nganasan

Adjective case

NOM

GEN

ACC

GEN

GEN

GEN

GEN

Noun case

NOM

GEN

ACC

LAT

LOC

ABL

PROL

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bə́nd'ə-(ŋ) *ma-tənu*
all-GEN tent-LOC

***bənsə-n* *mä-ntə-nå*
[all-GEN tent]-IN-LOC

Local cases and adjective agreement

Inuit

[Van Geenhoven 1998:18]

Esta nutaa-mik aalisagar-si-v-u-q
E-ABS fresh-INST.SG fish-get-IND-[-tr]-3SG
“Ester got (a) fresh fish.”

Esta nutaa-nik aalisagar-si-v-u-q
E-ABS fresh-INST.PL fish-get-IND-[-tr]-3SG
“Ester got (more than one) fresh fish.”

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Russian

[*тет-**u** Наст*]-*ин* *платок*
aunt.**GEN** Настя-ADJ.POSS shawl
'aunt Nastya's shawl'

CONCLUSIONS

1. No reasons to assume that LOC and ABL are built upon LAT; in fact all the three cases are built in the same way.
2. Both co-affixes *-kə* and *-ntə* are primarily derivational suffixes with a locative meaning.
3. The hypothesis about the derivational origin of the locational cases is corroborated by the agreement rules of the adjectives in Nganasan.

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