Decomposing Fusional Morphemes with Vector Embeddings

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Abstract

Distributional approaches have proven effective in modeling semantics and phonology through vector embeddings. We explore whether distributional representations can also effectively model morphological information. We train static vector embeddings over morphological sequences. Then, we explore morpheme categories for fusional morphemes, which encode multiple linguistic dimensions, and often have close relationships to other morphemes. We study whether the learned vector embeddings align with these linguistic dimensions, finding strong evidence that this is the case. Our work uses two low-resource languages, Uspanteko and Tsez, demonstrating that distributional morphological representations are effective even with limited data.

1 Introduction

Distributional semantics, which models the meanings of words according to the contexts in which they appear (Wittgenstein, 1953), has proven highly successful for language modeling. Generally, this has been achieved through **word embeddings**, which represent words with many-dimensional vectors (Turney and Pantel, 2010; Mikolov et al., 2013b; Levy and Goldberg, 2014b), and capture many linguistic patterns and regularities (Mikolov et al., 2013b; Levy and Goldberg, 2014a).

Linguistic research has suggested that this distributional approach can be effective across all units of language (Haas, 1954). Prior work (Silfverberg et al., 2018; Kolachina and Magyar, 2019) has explored a distributional approach to phonology, finding that embeddings for phonological units can capture predictable linguistic features and natural classes.

We explore whether this approach is also useful for morphology, hypothesizing that many grammatical morphemes can be described primarily by the contexts in which they appear. For example, a first



Figure 1: Morpheme glosses in a handcrafted linguistic feature space. Related glosses have predictable vector relationships. A=absolutive case, E=ergative case, P=plural number, S=singular number, 1=first person.

person verbal affix might typically co-occur with first person pronouns, depending on the properties of the language being modeled.

We focus on groups of highly related morphemes, in particular instances of **fusional morphology**. Languages with fusional morphology include single morphemes that encode multiple grammatical features (as opposed to agglutinating morphology, where each morpheme corresponds to a single grammatical function). It is disputed whether languages exist with solely agglutinating or fusional morphological systems; rather, evidence suggests that many languages incorporate both processes (Plank, 1999; Haspelmath, 2009).

We compute morphological embeddings using standard vector embedding algorithms on morphological sequences from two low-resource languages, Uspanteko and Tsez (section 3). We compare these embeddings to handcrafted feature vectors based on the *linguistic dimensions* that make up the morphemes (see Figure 1). We find that there is a consistent correlation between the vector embedding space and this linguistic feature space.

2 Data and Languages

Data Format We utilize morpheme sequences from **interlinear glossed text** (IGT) data, a format commonly used in language documentation. An example of Uspanteko IGT is given in item 1.¹

 Ti- j- ya' -tq -a' juntiir INC- E3S- VT -PL -ENF ADV They give us everything (Pixabaj et al., 2007)

The first line records text in the target language. The second line, referred to as the *gloss line*, is a sequence of morphological glosses for each morpheme in the transcription, describing the morphological category and function of each morpheme. Often, stem morphemes may instead by glossed with a translation of the stem, however, in this work we use morphological category glosses as exemplified here (e.g. VT for the transitive verb stem ya'). The last line in an IGT example is generally a translation into English or a similarly high-resource language. We utilize only the gloss lines of IGT as morphological category sequences.

We use data from Ginn et al. (2023), which we have formatted in HuggingFace datasets, available online.² We use the train splits from Ginn et al. (2023), with 9,774 Uspanteko sentences and 7,116 Tsez sentences.

Languages Uspanteko (usp), or Uspantek, is an endangered Mayan language of Guatamala with around 6,000 speakers (Bennett et al., 2016). The language uses a system of absolutive and ergative affixes which generally attach to verbal stems (Coon, 2016). These affixes are fusional, encoding case (absolutive or ergative), number (singular or plural), and person (first, second, or third-person).

Tsez (ddo), or Dido, is a language in the Nakh-Daghestanian family, with around 14,000 speakers in Daghestan, Russia. Tsez utilizes a highly agglutinating and fusional morphological system, with morphemes often encoding two to five distinct linguistic dimensions. Our data is originally from the Tsez Annotated Corpus Project (Abdulaev et al., 2022; Abdulaev and Abdullaev, 2010).

3 Static Morphological Embeddings

We first investigate whether distributional representations are applicable to morphological sequencesthat is, do the contexts that morphemes occur in reflect any meaningful linguistic relationships, and can we capture those relationships with distributional methods? To do this, we train embeddings over sequences of morphological categories from the gloss lines of the IGT from the corpora described in section 2.

We might also have trained embeddings over the morphemes themselves, rather than their glosses/categories. However, our corpora are rather small, and the majority of morphemes occur very rarely, making it difficult to induce meaningful representations. By studying sequences of morpheme categories, we can gain insight into broader morphological patterns, despite limited data.

3.1 Models

Following the approach used in Silfverberg et al. (2018), we consider two different models for learning morphological category embeddings. In all cases, directionality is not considered, so we treat neighboring glosses uniformly, regardless of whether they precede or follow the target gloss.

SVD We compute *positive pointwise mutual information* (PPMI) matrices for each morpheme category in some context window and calculate the *singular value decomposition* (SVD) (Bullinaria and Levy, 2007; Levy and Goldberg, 2014b). We truncate embeddings to some vector length *d*.

word2vec The word2vec (Mikolov et al., 2013a) model uses a shallow neural network, trained to predict the surrounding words in a sliding window, using the embedding layer as word representations. We use the gensim implementation³ with the default parameters (including negative sampling) and experiment with both the skip-gram and continuous bag-of-words (CBOW) algorithms.

3.2 Experimental Settings

We train separate embedding models over the Uspanteko and Tsez morpheme sequences. For both model types (SVD and word2vec), we train models with vector sizes of 5 to 50 and window sizes of 1 to 10, for a total of 460 distinct runs for each language-model combination. We omit any glosses with fewer than five occurrances.

We believe it is important to report results across hyperparameter combinations, as this is an unsupervised task where it is difficult to tune hyperparameters, and using only a single combination of

¹A full table of gloss definitions appears in Appendix B.

²https://huggingface.co/datasets/lecslab/ usp-igt, https://huggingface.co/datasets/lecslab/ ddo-igt

³https://radimrehurek.com/gensim/

| | Most similar gloss | | | | | |
|---------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|--|--|--|
| Gloss | SVD | W2V (CBOW) | W2V (SG) | | | |
| | Us | panteko | | | | |
| A1P | A2P | A2S | A2S | | | |
| E1P | A2P | E3 | E3 | | | |
| S (noun) | AFI | SREL | SREL | | | |
| VI | A2P | VT | VT | | | |
| Tsez | | | | | | |
| DEM1.IPL | VOC | DEM2.IPL | DEM2.IPL | | | |
| DEM2.IISG.OBL | VOC | DEM2.ISG.OBL | DEM2.ISG.OBL | | | |
| POSS.ESS | COND.IRR | POSS.LAT | LAT | | | |
| SUPER.ESS | IRR | IN.ESS | CONT.ESS | | | |

Table 1: For each gloss embedding, the gloss with the most similar embedding. Here we present a subset of interesting results, full results are in Appendix B.

parameters may produce results which are unrepresentative of the typical performance.

3.3 Results

3.3.1 Related glosses have similar embeddings

First, we investigate whether linguistically-related glosses tend to occur in similar contexts. For each gloss (e.g. A1S), and for every hyperparameter setting, we compute the most similar (distinct) embedding to the gloss's embedding, using cosine similarity. Then, for each gloss we select the most common similar gloss across hyperparameter settings. We highlight a subset of interesting results in Table 1, and report the full results in Appendix B.

We observe differences between the models. The word2vec models are far more likely to capture linguistically interesting similarities, while the SVD model does so much less reliably. In the word2vec results, closely related glosses, such as VI (intransitive verb stem) and VT (transitive verb stem) tend to be very similar. Both word2vec models predict SREL (relational noun) as the most similar gloss to S (noun). Additionally, fusional morpheme glosses such as E1S (ergative first-person singular) tend to be similar to other fusional glosses with the same features, such as E2S (ergative second-person singular). The results for Tsez show similar patterning, with word2vec models more closely aligning glosses representing related categories.

3.3.2 Gloss embedding spaces correlate with linguistic feature spaces

Following Silfverberg et al. (2018), we conduct a quantitative measurement in order to understand whether the geometry of the embedding space correlates with a space defined by manually chosen linguistic features. We do not make any assumptions about the magnitude or orientation of embedding vectors; rather, we focus on the cosine similarity

scores between embedding vector pairs.

Specifically, we assign vectors to the fusional morphemes in each dataset, using the linguistic dimensions defined in the UniMorph schema (Kirov et al., 2016) as features. Unlike the phonological feature spaces of Silfverberg et al. (2018), it is difficult to decompose all glosses into a single set of linguistic dimensions, as many glosses are completely unrelated. Instead, we focus on the subset of morpheme glosses which share clear features. Each linguistic feature value (e.g. ergative case) is represented as a binary dimension, as in Figure 2. We describe the glosses and linguistic dimensions in detail in Appendix B.

| | A1P | E3S | |
|------------|-----------|-----------|--|
| Ergative | 0 | 1 | |
| Absolutive | 1 | 0 | |
| 1st person | 1 | 0 | |
| 2nd person | 0 | 0 | |
| 3rd person | 0 | 1 | |
| Singular | 0 | 1 | |
| Plural | 1 | 0 | |
| | \square | \square | |

Figure 2: Each morpheme gloss is assigned a handcrafted linguistic feature vector, based on linguistic dimensions from the Unimorph schema. Two examples in Uspanteko are shown here.

For a pair of fusional morpheme glosses, we compute the cosine similarity of the linguistic feature vectors for each gloss. We also compute the cosine similarity for the same glosses using the embedding vectors from the embedding model. We aggregate these similarity measurements across all pairs of glosses that have at least one feature in common. Glosses without any features in common are orthogonal in the linguistic space, hence similarity will be 0. As embedding vectors will generally never have a similarity of 0, we found this added significant noise to the correlation calculation.

Then, we compute the linear correlation coefficient between the linguistic space similarities and the embedding space similarities. As a baseline, we select a random vector in the embedding space for each gloss vector, compute similarities, and calculate the correlation coefficient with the linguistic space similarities. We conduct this process over the hyperparameter combinations described above and report summary results in Table 2 and box plots in Figure 3 and Figure 4.

| | Mean / max correlation coefficient r | | | | | |
|--------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--|--|--|
| | SVD | W2V (CBOW) | W2V (SG) | | | |
| | Uspanteko | | | | | |
| Random | 0.05 / 0.49 | -0.06 / 0.27 | -0.03 / 0.35 | | | |
| True | 0.26 / 0.68 | 0.19 / 0.42 | 0.36 / 0.50 | | | |
| Tsez | | | | | | |
| Random | 0.02 / 0.10 | -0.04 / 0.08 | -0.04 / 0.06 | | | |
| True | 0.21 / 0.27 | 0.08 / 0.13 | 0.12/0.19 | | | |

Table 2: Mean / max correlations between linguistic feature space and embedding feature spaces, across hyperparameters.

Findings Broadly, we find that the correlations between the linguistic feature spaces and the vector embedding spaces are greater than the correlations with randomly-selected vector embedding spaces, with the SVD models achieving the highest max correlation across languages. We conduct a paired t-test between the random and true correlation values for each model and language, and find that there is a statistically significant difference in every case



Figure 3: Box plots for Tsez correlation values across hyperparameter values.



Figure 4: Box plots for Uspanteko correlation values across hyperparameter values.

with p < 0.001

The mean correlations are still fairly low—this is likely due in part to the small size of the dataset, but may also indicate that the models are learning relationships between morphemes other than the linguistic dimensions we specify. Future work could investigate these vector spaces more thoroughly to search for novel morphological relationships.

Hyperparameters Not all hyperparameter values perform equally well. We report heatmaps for each model across window size and vector size in Figure 5 and Appendix A. For SVD models, correlation with the linguistic space is maximized with small window sizes (1-2) and decreases significantly with greater window sizes, indicating that the features captured by our linguistic dimensions are generally locally predictable. On the other hand, the word2vec models seem to have more consistent performance across window sizes, perhaps indicating that the models are more robust against the noise induced with larger windows. None of the models show significant differences across vector sizes, although the SVD models perform poorly with large windows and very small vector sizes.

4 Related Work

Word embeddings (Turney and Pantel, 2010; Mikolov et al., 2013a,b; Levy and Goldberg, 2014b) have been widely successful in NLP, capturing semantic relationships in many-dimensional vector representations.

Vector embeddings have been applied to phonology, where *phone embeddings* have been used to capture phonetic relationships (Silfverberg et al., 2018; Kolachina and Magyar, 2019; Mayer, 2020).



Figure 5: Heatmaps for Tsez of vector space correlation over hyperparameters between the linguistic feature space and the embedding spaces produced by the SVD (top), CBOW (middle), and Skip-gram (bottom) models.

Morphological information has been integrated into word embeddings to improve representations in morphologically-rich languages (Cao and Rei 2016; Edmiston and Stratos 2018; Ataman and Federico 2018; Schwartz et al. 2022, inter alia). To our knowledge, this is the first work that explores a distinct level of morpheme embeddings.

5 Conclusion

We find evidence that distributional vector representations of morpheme categories capture linguistic regularities, even with limited data. Broadly, morphological features such as number, case, and person seem to correlate with the contexts those morphemes appear in. We suggest that distributional morpheme representations are a viable model for morphology, particularly in languages with highlyproductive, fusional morphemes.

This research is motivated primarily by linguistic understanding; that is, we are interested in determining whether morpheme contexts have predictable relationships. However, we suggest these findings could be applied in future research to more practical ends. For example, a linguist might use this approach to investigate a hypothesis about the relatedness of certain morphemes, providing for data-driven, large-scale evidence. Alternately, an NLP practioner could use these findings in a task such as morpheme glossing (Ginn et al., 2023) to design models that utilize shared features to make predictions.

6 Limitations

Our research utilizes morphological datasets from two distinct languages. However, considering the

linguistic diversity of the world's languages, we expect results may vary across additional languages. In particular, languages without fusional morphology may not show strong linguistic correlations, like we observed in this work.

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A Uspanteko Heatmap

We provide the correlation heatmap for Uspanteko, similar to the Tsez figure provided in the main paper in Figure 6.

B Glosses

We report a complete list of the glosses in each language in Table 3 and Table 4.



Figure 6: Heatmaps for Uspanteko of vector space correlation over hyperparameters between the linguistic feature space and the embedding spaces produced by the SVD (top), CBOW (middle), and Skip-gram (bottom) models.

| Gloss | Label | Count | Features | Mo SVD | ost similar g CBOW | gloss SG |
|-------|------------------------|-------|------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------------|
| | | | | 1 | · · · | |
| AIP | Absolutive 1P Pl | 110 | Abs., 1st, Pl. | A2P | A2S | A2S |
| AIS | Absolutive 1P Sing | 347 | Abs., 1st, Sing. | REC | A2S | A2S |
| A2S | Absolutive 2P Sing | 127 | Abs., 2nd, Sing. | DIM | A1P | A1P |
| ADJ | Adjective Stem | 1017 | | APLI | NUM | ITS |
| ADV | Adverb Stem | 5830 | | APLI | PART | PART |
| AFE | Affective | 116 | | A2P | PREP | PREP |
| AFI | Positive | 208 | | E3P | PART | DEM |
| AGT | Agentive | 100 | | A2P | E2 | E2 |
| AP | Antipassive | 339 | | A2P | E2S | E2S |
| ART | Article | 973 | | INT | NUM | NUM |
| CAU | Causative | 19 | | PRG | GNT | RFX |
| CLAS | Classifier | 155 | | REC | NOM | NOM |
| COM | Completive | 2304 | | NOM | INC | PP |
| COND | Conditional | 59 | | REC | IMP | PRG |
| CONJ | Conjunction | 1152 | | A2P | VOC | VOC |
| DEM | Dem. | 2116 | | APLI | AFI | AFI |
| DIM | Diminutive | 797 | | A2S | ART | NUM |
| DIR | Directional | 687 | | A2P | PAS | PAS |
| E1P | Ergative 1P Pl | 1370 | Erg., 1st, Pl. | A2P | E3 | E3S |
| E1S | Ergative 1P Sing | 709 | Erg., 1st, Sing. | NOM | E2S | E2S |
| E2 | Ergative 2P | 16 | Erg., 2nd | NOM | INS | RFX |
| E2P | Ergative 2P Pl | 16 | Erg., 2nd, Pl. | ART | INS | E2 |
| E2S | Ergative 2P Sing | 564 | Erg., 2nd, Sing. | A2P | AP | AP |
| E3 | Ergative 3P | 385 | Erg., 3rd | A2P | E3S | E3S |
| E3P | Ergative 3P Pl | 32 | Erg., 3rd, Pl. | NOM | E2P | E2P |
| E3S | Ergative 3P Sing | 3118 | Erg., 3rd, Sing. | NOM | E3 | E3 |
| ENF | Emphasis | 1464 | | A2P | A1P | IMP |
| EXS | Existential | 661 | | A1P | NUM | NUM |
| GNT | Demonym | 20 | | TRN | INS | RFX |
| IMP | Imperative | 67 | | EXS | COND | CONI |
| INC | Incompletive | 2742 | | NOM | COM | SC |
| INS | Instrumental | 37 | | A2P | GNT | E2P |
| INT | Interrogative | 343 | | ART | NEG | NEG |
| ITR | Intransitive | 73 | | A2P | E2 | RFX |
| ITS | Intensifier | 244 | | GNT | AFI | ADJ |
| MED | Measure | 66 | | A2P | POS | AGT |
| MOV | Auxiliary | 141 | | REC | AGT | AGT |
| NEG | Negative | 1130 | | REC | INT | INT |
| NOM | Proper Name | 167 | | PAS | CLAS | CLAS |
| NUM | Numeral | 1029 | | APLI | ART | MED |
| PART | Particle | 3153 | | A2P | ADV | ADV |
| PAS | Passive | 276 | | A2P | DIR | E3P |
| PL | Pl | 2094 | | DEM | PREP | PREP |
| POS | Positional | 83 | | E2P | MED | GNT |
| PP | Perfect Participle | 127 | | REC | AGT | AGT |
| PREP | Preposition Stem | 1605 | | A2P | PL | AFE |
| PRG | Progressive | 42 | | CAU | GNT | TRN |
| PRON | Pronoun | 1674 | | REC | INT | A2S |
| RFX | Reflexive | 8 | | INT | GNT | TRN |
| S | Noun Stem | 6962 | | AFI | SREL | SREL |
| SAB | Abstract Noun Stem | 158 | | CONJ | MED | INS |
| SC | Category Suffix | 1018 | | A2P | ENF | SV |
| SREL | Relative Noun | 1890 | | TRN | S | S |
| SV | Verbal Noun Stem | 88 | | E1 | INS | INS |
| TAM | Tense-Aspect-Mood | 128 | | APLI | SV | SV |
| TOP | Proper Noun Stem | 108 | | A2P | MED | GNT |
| TRN | Applicative | 7 | | TOP | GNT | RFX |
| VI | Intransitive Verb Stem | 3125 | | A2P | VT | VT |
| VOC | Vocative | 750 | | A2P | CONJ | CONJ |
| VT | Transitive Verb Stem | 5024 | | NOM | VI | VI |

Table 3: All of the glosses in Uspanteko, along with a description, the total number of occurrances, and a list of positive features in the linguistic vector representations.

| | | | Most similar gloss | |
|----------------------|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Gloss | Label | SVD | CBOW | SG |
| AD.ABL | Position At, Ablative | PST.UNW | APUD.ABL | AD.VERS |
| AD.ESS | Position At, Essive | APUD.VERS.DIST | SUB.ABL | SUB.ABL |
| AD.LAT | Position At, Lative | COND.IRR | IN.ESS | IN.ESS |
| AD.VERS | Position At, Versative | POSS.ESS.DIST | SUPER.VERS | CONT.VERS |
| AD.VERS.DIST | Position At, Versative, Distal | PROHIB | APUD.ABL | CONT.ABL.DIST |
| ANT.CVB | Anterior, Converb | COND.IRR | IMM.ANT.CVB | IMM.ANT.CVB |
| APUD.ABL | Pos. Near, Ablative | DEM2.IIPL | INT | AD.VERS.DIST |
| APUD.ESS | Pos. Near, Essive | PST.UNW | APUD.VERS | APUD.LAT |
| APUD.LAT | Pos. Near, Lative | APUD.ABL.DIST | APUD.VERS | APUD.VERS |
| APUD.VERS | Pos. Near, Versative | PST.UNW | APUD.LAT | APUD.LAT |
| APUD.VERS.DIST | Pos. Near, Versative, Distal | SUPER.LAT.DIST | DEM3.SG | LOC.ORIG |
| ATTR ODI | Attributive | NEG.PRSPRT.OBL | ATTR.OBL | RES.PRT.OBL |
| ATTR.OBL | Attributive, Oblique | SUPER.ESS.DIST | ATTR | GEN2 |
| CNC.CVB CND | Concessive, Converb | DEM2.IIPL | COND | COND |
| CND.CVB | Conditional | SUPER.LAT.DIST DIST | CONT.ABL.DIST PRS.PRT | IN.LAT.DIST COND |
| | Conditional, Converb | SUPER.LAT.DIST | | |
| CND.CVB.IRR COND | Conditional, Converb, Irrealis Conditional | SUPER.LAT.DIST | COND DEM3.SG | DEM3.SG NEG.PRS.PRT |
| COND.IRR | Conditional, Irrealis | SUPER.LAT.DIST | DUB | INDEF |
| COND.IKK CONT.ABL | Pos. Among, Ablative | GER.PURP | IN.ESS | GEN1 |
| CONT.ABL.DIST | Pos. Among, Ablative, Distal | EQU1 | APUD.ABL | IN.LAT.DIST |
| CONT.ABL.DIST | Pos. Among, Essive | SUPER.ESS.DIST | GEN1 | POSS.ABL |
| CONT.LAT | Pos. Among, Lative | NEG.PRS.PRT.OBL | SUB.ESS | SUB.ESS |
| CONT.VERS | Pos. Among, Versative | NEG.PRSPRT | AD.VERS | IN.ABL |
| CONT.VERS.DIST | Pos. Among, Versative, Distal | SUPER.LAT.DIST | IN.ESS.DIST | SUPER.ABL.DIST |
| CSL.CVB | Causal, Converb | IN.VERS.DIST | INF | NEG.PST.UNW |
| DEF | Definite | SUPER.ESS.DIST | AD.LAT | SUB.LAT |
| DEM1.IIPL | C1 Dem. 2nd N Pl | PST.UNW | POSS.VERS | DEM1.IIPL.OBL |
| DEM1.IIPL.OBL | C1 Dem. 2nd N Pl, Oblique | VOC | DEM2.IPL.OBL | DEM1.IIPL |
| DEM1.IISG.OBL | C1 Dem. 2nd N Sing, Oblique | SUPER.LAT.DIST | DEM2.ISG.OBL | DEM3.IISG.OBL |
| DEM1.IPL | C1 Dem. 1st N Pl | VOC | DEM2.IPL | DEM2.IPL |
| DEM1.IPL.OBL | C1 Dem. 1st N Pl, Oblique | RES.PRT.OBL | DEM2.IPL.OBL | DEM1.IPL |
| DEM1.ISG.OBL | C1 Dem. 1st N Sing, Oblique | NEG.PST.UNW | DEM2.ISG.OBL | DEM2.IISG.OBL |
| DEM1.SG | C1 Dem. Sing | APUD.VERS.DIST | II | DEM4.SG |
| DEM2.IIPL.OBL | C2 Dem. 2nd N Pl, Oblique | DEM1.IISG | DEM3.IISG.OBL | DEM3.IISG.OBL |
| DEM2.IISG | C2 Dem. 2nd N Sing | APUD.ABL.DIST | PROHIB | DEM1.SG |
| DEM2.IISG.OBL | C2 Dem. 2nd N Sing, Oblique | VOC | DEM2.ISG.OBL | DEM2.ISG.OBL |
| DEM2.IPL | C2 Dem. 1st N Pl | CND.CVB | DEM1.IPL | DEM1.IPL |
| DEM2.IPL.OBL | C2 Dem. 1st N Pl, Oblique | NEG.PRS.PRT | DEM1.IIPL.OBL | DEM2.IPL |
| DEM2.ISG | C2 Dem. 1st N Sing | LNK | IN.LAT | IN.ESS.DIST |
| DEM2.ISG.OBL | C2 Dem. 1st N Sing, Oblique | NEG.PST.UNW | DEM1.ISG.OBL | DEM2.IISG.OBL |
| DEM2.PL | C2 Dem. 2nd N Pl | DEM3.IPL | POSS.VERS | CONT.VERS.DIST |
| DEM3.IISG.OBL | C3 Dem. 2nd N Sing, Oblique | SUPER.LAT.DIST | DEM2.IIPL.OBL | INTS |
| DEM3.SG | C3 Dem. Sing | SUPER.LAT.DIST | COND | COND.IRR |
| DEM4.IISG.OBL | C4 Dem. 2nd N Sing, Oblique | SUPER.LAT.DIST | DEM1.IIPL.OBL | LCV CONTARI DIST |
| DEM4.ISG.OBL | C4 Dem. 1st N Sing, Oblique | NEG.PST.UNW | DEM3.IISG.OBL DEM4.ISG.OBL | CONT.ABL.DIST |
| DEM4.SG FUT.CVB | C4 Dem., Sing Future, Converb | SUPER.LAT.DIST SUB.ESS.DIST | NEG.FUT.DEF | DEM4.ISG.OBL NEG.PRS.PRT |
| FUT.DEF | Future, Definite | LNK | NEG.FUT.DEF | NEG.FUT |
| I.PL | 1 st Noun, Plural | CND.CVB | DEM2.IPL | DEM2.IPL |
| I.I L II | 2nd Noun | LNK | DEM1.SG | DEM2.IISG |
| II.PL | 2nd Noun, Plural | CND.CVB | IV.PL | DEM1.IIPL |
| III | 3rd Noun | LNK | DEM2.ISG | DEM1.SG |
| III.PL | 3rd Noun, Plural | SUB.ESS.DIST | II.PL | DEM1.IIPL |
| IMM.ANT.CVB | Immediate, Anterior, Converb | NEG.PST.UNW | POST.CVB | POST.CVB |
| IN.ABL | Position In, Ablative | NEG.PST.UNW | IN.ALL | CONT.VERS |
| IN.ABL.DIST | Position In, Ablative, Distal | CND.CVB | IN.ESS.DIST | CONT.VERS |
| IN.ALL | Position In, Allative | CND.CVB | IN.LAT | IN.VERS.DIST |
| IN.ESS | Position In, Essive | POSS.ESS.DIST | AD.LAT | AD.LAT |
| IN.ESS.DIST | Position In, Essive, Distal | POSS.ESS.DIST | APUD.ABL | CONT.ABL.DIST |
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Table 4: All of the glosses in Tsez, along with a description, the total number of occurrances, and a list of positive features in the linguistic vector representations. C# Dem.=class of demonstratives. The I, II, etc., morphemes indicate the four noun classes of Tsez.

| Gloss | Label | SVD | Most similar gloss CBOW | SG |
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| IN.LAT | Position In, Lative | CND.CVB | IN.ALL | IN.ABL.DIST |
| IN.LAT.DIST | Position In, Lative, Distal | SUPER.LAT.DIST | IN.ESS.DIST | CND |
| IN.VERS | Position In, Versative | OSS.ESS.DIST | CONT.LAT | AD.VERS |
| IN.VERS.DIST | Position In, Versative, Distal | SEQ | IN.ESS.DIST | IN.ESS.DIST |
| INT | Interrogative | APUD.VERS.DIST | APUD.ABL | IN.LAT.DIST |
| IPFV.CVB | Imperfective, Converb | POSS.ESS.DIST | TERM | TERM |
| IV | 4th Noun | SUPER.LAT.DIST | III | NMLZ |
| IV.PL | 4th Noun, Plural | POSS.ABL.DIST | II.PL | II.PL |
| LAT | Lative | PST.UNW | POSS.ESS | POSS.ESS |
| LCV | Locative | GER.PURP | LCV.CVB | POSS.VERS |
| LCV.CVB | Locative, Converb | PFV.CVB.INT | LCV | LCV |
| LOC.ORIG | Locative, Origin | GER.PURP | CONT.VERS.DIST | POSS.ABL.DIST |
| NEG | Negative | SUB.ESS.DIST | Q | Q |
| NEG.FUT | Negative, Future | SUB.VERS | FUT.DEF | FUT.DEF |
| NEG.FUT.CVB | Negative, Future, Converb | PST.UNW | COND.IRR | NEG.FUT |
| NEG.FUT.DEF NEG.PRS.PRT | Negative, Future, Definite Negative, Present Participle | SUPER.LAT.DIST SUPER.LAT.DIST | PST.WIT.Q NEG.PST.UNW | NEG.PRS.PRT NEG.PST.UNW |
| NEG.PRS.PRT.OBL | Neg., Pres. Part., Oblique | APUD.ABL.DIST | CONT.VERS.DIST | POSS.ABL.DIST |
| NEG.PST.CVB | Negative, Past, Converb | SUB.ESS.DIST | TERM | NEG.PST.UNW |
| NEG.PST.UNW | Neg., Past, Unwitnessed | DEM2.ISG.OBL | POT | NEG.PRS.PRT |
| NEG.PST.WIT | Neg., Past, Witnessed | NEG.PST.UNW | Q | PST.WIT.INT |
| PCT.CVB | Perfective, Converb | IN.VERS | DEM3.SG | POSS.ABL.DIST |
| PFV.CVB | Perfective, Converb | VOC | EMPH | IN.VERS.DIST |
| PL | Plural | SUB.ESS.DIST | DEM1.IPL | DEM1.IIPL |
| POSS.ABL | Position Vertical, Ablative | PST.UNW | APUD.LAT | APUD.LAT |
| POSS.ABL.DIST | Pos. Vert., Ablative, Distal | SUPER.LAT.DIST | INTS | LOC.ORIG |
| POSS.ESS | Position Vertical, Essive | APUD.ABL.DIST | POSS.LAT | LAT |
| POSS.LAT | Position Vertical, Lative | POSS.ESS.DIST | POSS.ESS | GEN1 |
| POSS.VERS | Position Vertical, Versative | COND.IRR | DEM2.PL | AD.VERS.DIST |
| POST.CVB | Posterior, Converb | LNK | IMM.ANT.CVB | IMM.ANT.CVB |
| PRS | Present | SUPER.LAT.DIST | FUT.DEF | PST.WIT.Q |
| PRS.PRT | Present Participle | NEG.PST.UNW | NEG.FUT | NEG.FUT |
| PRS.PRT.OBL | Present Participle, Oblique | POSS.ESS.DIST | DEM2.IIPL.OBL | DEM4.ISG.OBL |
| PST.PRT | Past, Participle | DEF1.IISG | ATTR | ATTR |
| PST.UNW | Past, Unwitnessed | POSS.ESS.DIST | ANT.CVB | ANT.CVB |
| PST.WIT PST.WIT.INT | Past, Witnessed Past, Witnessed, Interr. | PST.UNW NEG.PST.UNW | IMPR NEG.PST.WIT | NEG.PST.WIT NEG.PST.WIT |
| PST.WIT.Q | Past, Witnessed, Question | IRR | NEG.FUT.DEF | DEM3.IISG.OBL |
| PURP.CVB | Purposive, Converb | ATTR.OBL | COND | PCT.CVB |
| Q | Question | AD.ABL.DIST | NEG.PST.WIT | NEG.PST.WIT |
| RES.PRT | Resultative Participle | SUPER.LAT.DIST | INF | PST.WIT.Q |
| RES.PRT.OBL | Res. Part., Oblique | LHUN | DEM3.SG | POSS.ABL.DIST |
| SIM.CVB | Simultaneous Converb | CND.CVB | IMM.ANT.CVB | ANT.CVB |
| SUB.ABL | Position Under, Ablative | POSS.ESS.DIST | AD.ESS | AD.ESS |
| SUB.ESS | Position Under, Essive | GER.PURP | CONT.LAT | APUD.ABL |
| SUB.LAT | Position Under, Lative | SUPER.ESS.DIST | APUD.ABL | CONT.ABL.DIST |
| SUPER.ABL | Position Under, Ablative | IN.LAT.DIST | CONT.ESS | CONT.ESS |
| SUPER.ABL.DIST | Pos. Under, Ablative, Distal | NEG.PRSPRT.OBL | INT | POSS.ABL.DIST |
| SUPER.ESS | Position Above, Essive | IRR | IN.ESS | CONT.ESS |
| SUPER.LAT | Position Above, Lative | POSS.ESS.DIST | IN.ABL | LCV.CVB |
| SUPER.VERS | Position Above, Versative | IRR | AD.VERS | IN.ESS.DIST |
| SUPER.VERS.DIST | Pos. Above, Versative, Distal | GER.PURP | APUD.ABL | APUD.VERS.DIST |

Table 5: Tsez glosses (cont.)