

Intermediate Tlingit: Noun Suffixes

diminutive

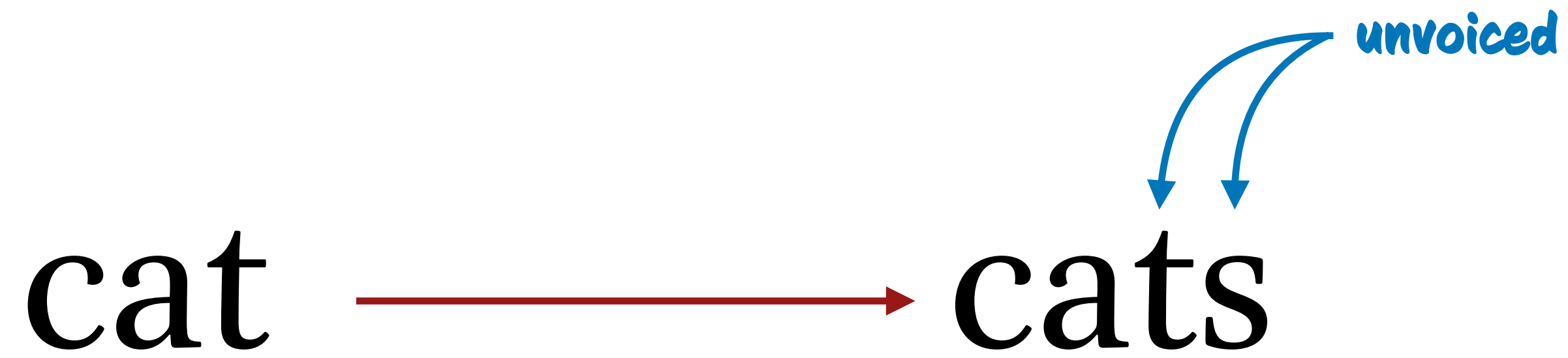
plural

diminutive plural

possessive/relational

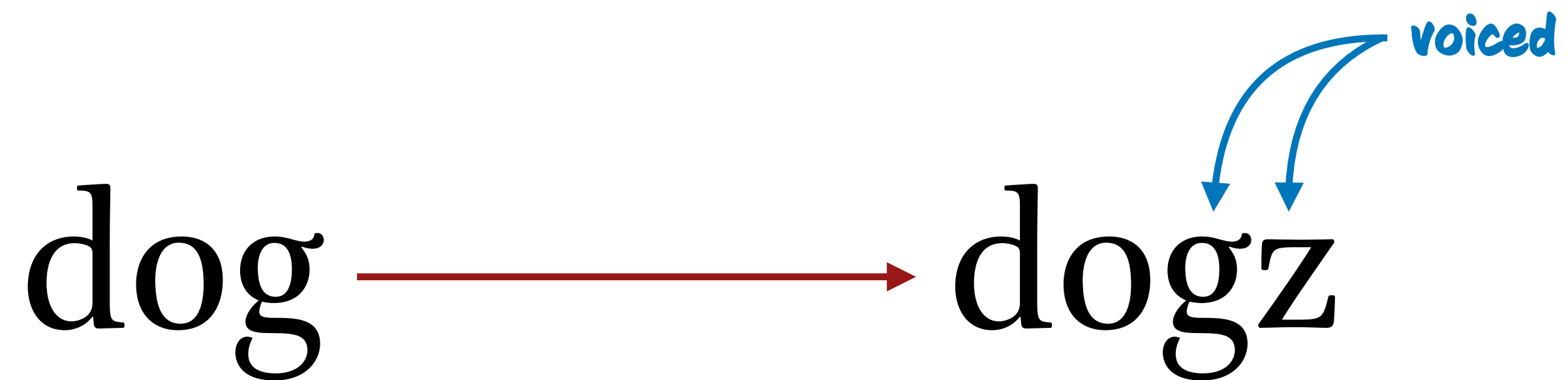
Suffix Rules in English

cat → cats



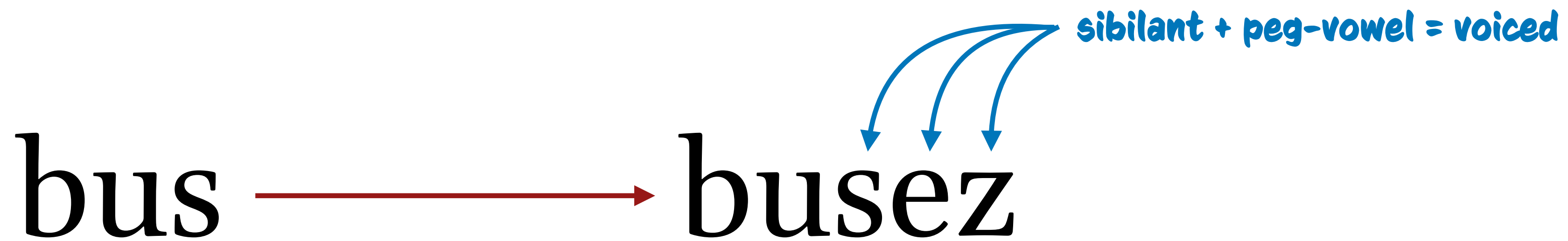
unvoiced

dog → dogz



voiced

bus → busez



sibilant + peg-vowel = voiced

Introduction to Noun Suffixes

diminutive

-k'

hítk'

keitlk'

tsákk'

gúkl'k'

léik'wk'

plural

-x'

hítx'

keitlx'

tsálkx'

gúkl'x'

léik'wx'

diminutive plural

-x'i sáani / -x'u sáani

hítx'i sáani

keitlx'i sáani

tsálkx'i sáani

gúkl'x'i sáani

léik'wx'u sáani

Noting Vowels & Consonants

writing

dóosh

gwéil

cheech

hít

seit

kéet

xóots

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writing

spelling

dóosh	→	d · óo · sh
gwéil	→	gw · éi · l
cheech	→	ch · ee · ch
hít	→	h · í · t
seit	→	s · ei · t
keet	→	k · ée · t
xóots	→	x · óo · ts

Noting Vowels & Consonants

writing

keitl 

tsálk 

gúkl' 

léik'w 

yéil 

tsaa 

áa 

Noting Vowels & Consonants

writing

spelling

keidl → k · ei · tl

tsálk → ts · á · l · k

gúkl' → g · ú · k̲ · l'

léik'w → l · éi · k̲'w

yéil → y · éi · l

tsaa → ts · aa

áa → áa

Noting Vowels & Consonants

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vowel-consonant

keitl	→	k · ei · tl	→	CVVC
tsálk	→	ts · á · l · k	→	CC'CC
gú <u>kl'</u>	→	g · ú · <u>k</u> · l'	→	C'CC'
léi <u>k</u> 'w	→	l · éi · <u>k</u> 'w	→	C'VC'V
yéil	→	y · éi · l	→	C'VC
tsaa	→	ts · aa	→	CCVV
áa	→	áa	→	VV

Tlingit Relational Suffix

	open	closed	voice
	-vv → -vvyí	-vvc → -vvcí	-ch → -jv
	-'vv → -'vvyi	-'vvc → -'vvcí	-k → -gv
rounded	-vww → -vwwú	-vcw → -vvcú	- <u>k</u> → - <u>g</u> v
	-'vww → -'vwwu	-'vcw → -'vvcu	-t → -dv
			-tl → -dlv
			-ts → -dzv
	-u/oo- <u>g</u> , <u>g</u> , <u>k</u> , <u>k</u> , <u>k</u> ', <u>k</u> ', <u>x</u> , <u>x</u> , <u>x</u> ', <u>x</u> '-u		

Tlingit Relational Suffix

ʼ ending

-ʼ → -vvyí

té → -teiyí

-aa ending

-vv → -vci

lítaa → -litayí

xáshaa → -xáshayi