

da-tōow (act)
for S to read

xadatōow - I am reading x̄a-da-tōow
 idatōow - you are reading i-da-tōow
 datōow - s/he is reading Ø-da-tōow
 tudatōow - we are reading tu-da-tōow
 yidatōow - you all are reading yi-da-tōow
 has datōow - they are reading has-Ø-da-tōow
 dutōow - someone is reading du-Ø-tōow

O-(ga)-Ø-√K'ēi (state)
for O to be good, fine, pretty

xat yak'ēi - I am good x̄at ya-k'ēi
 i yak'ēi - you are good i ya-k'ēi
 yak'ēi - s/he is good Ø ya-k'ēi
 haa yak'ēi - we are good haa ya-k'ēi
 yee yak'ēi - you all are good yee ya-k'ēi
 has yak'ēi - they are good has ya-k'ēi
 Kuyak'ēi / Kuwak'ēi - someone is good; Bu-ya-k'ēi
 weather is good

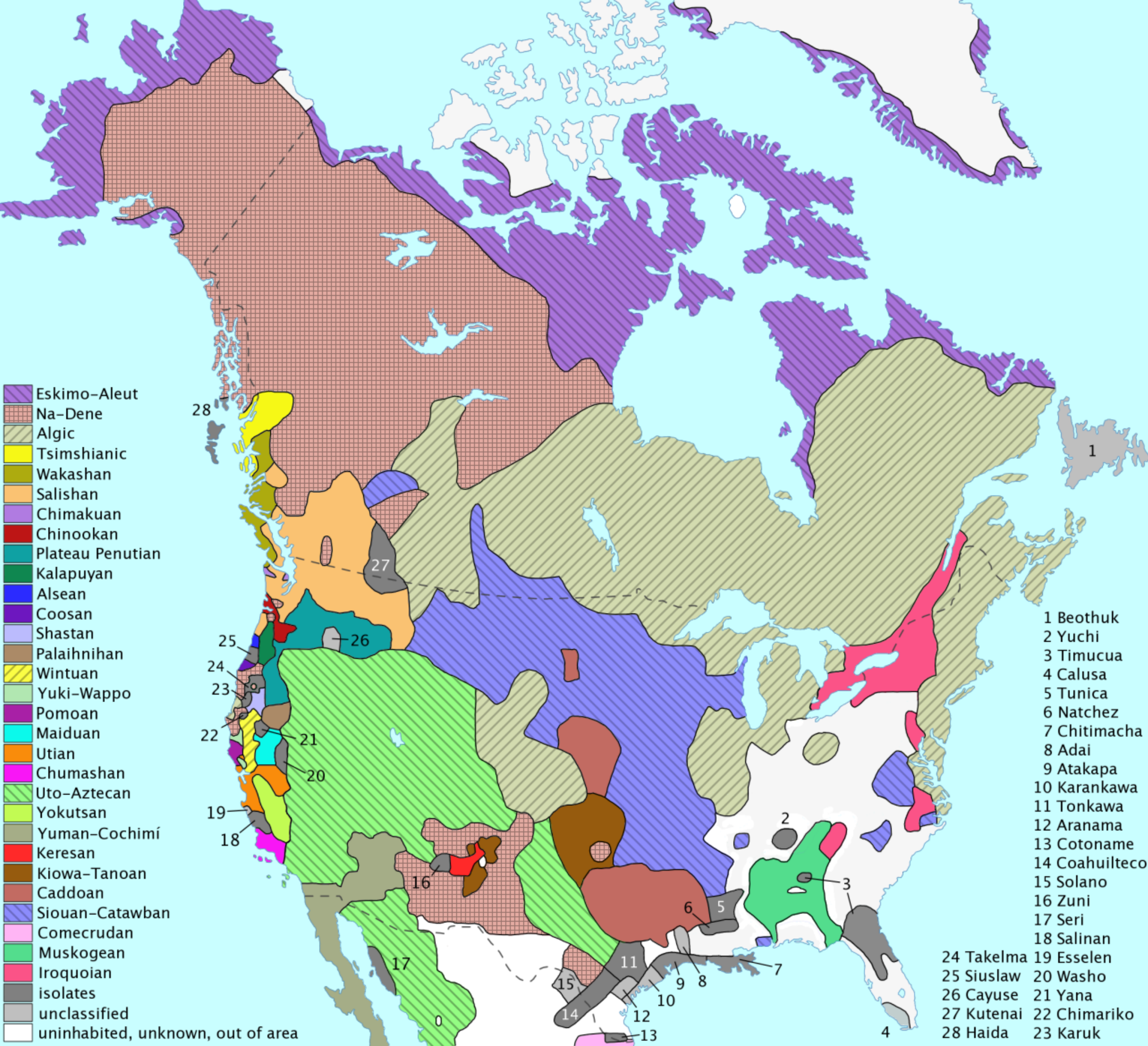
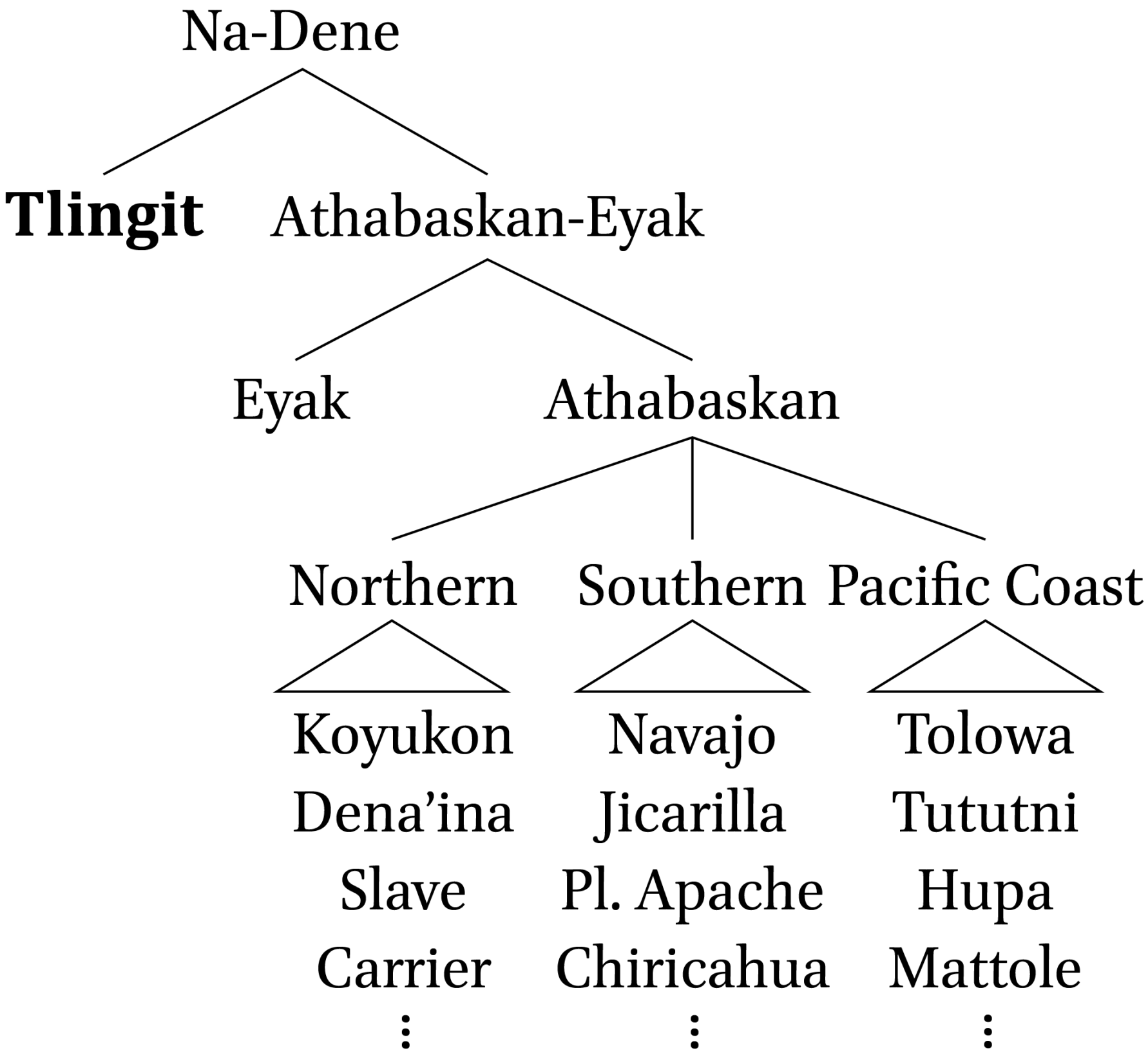
O-(Ø)-S-l-teen- (act)
for S to look at, gaze at, watch O; for S to care for, watch over O

ixlatin - I am watching you i-xa-la-tin
 xalatin - I am watching him/her Ø x̄a-la-tin
 xat ilatin - you are watching me x̄at i-la-tin
 ilatin - you are watching him/her Ø i-la-tin
 xat latin - s/he is watching me x̄at Ø-la-tin
 ilatin - s/he is watching you i Ø-la-tin
 alatin - s/he is watching him/her/it Ø a-la-tin
 itulatin - we are watching you i tu-la-tin
 has yilatin - you all are watching them/has Ø ya-la-tin

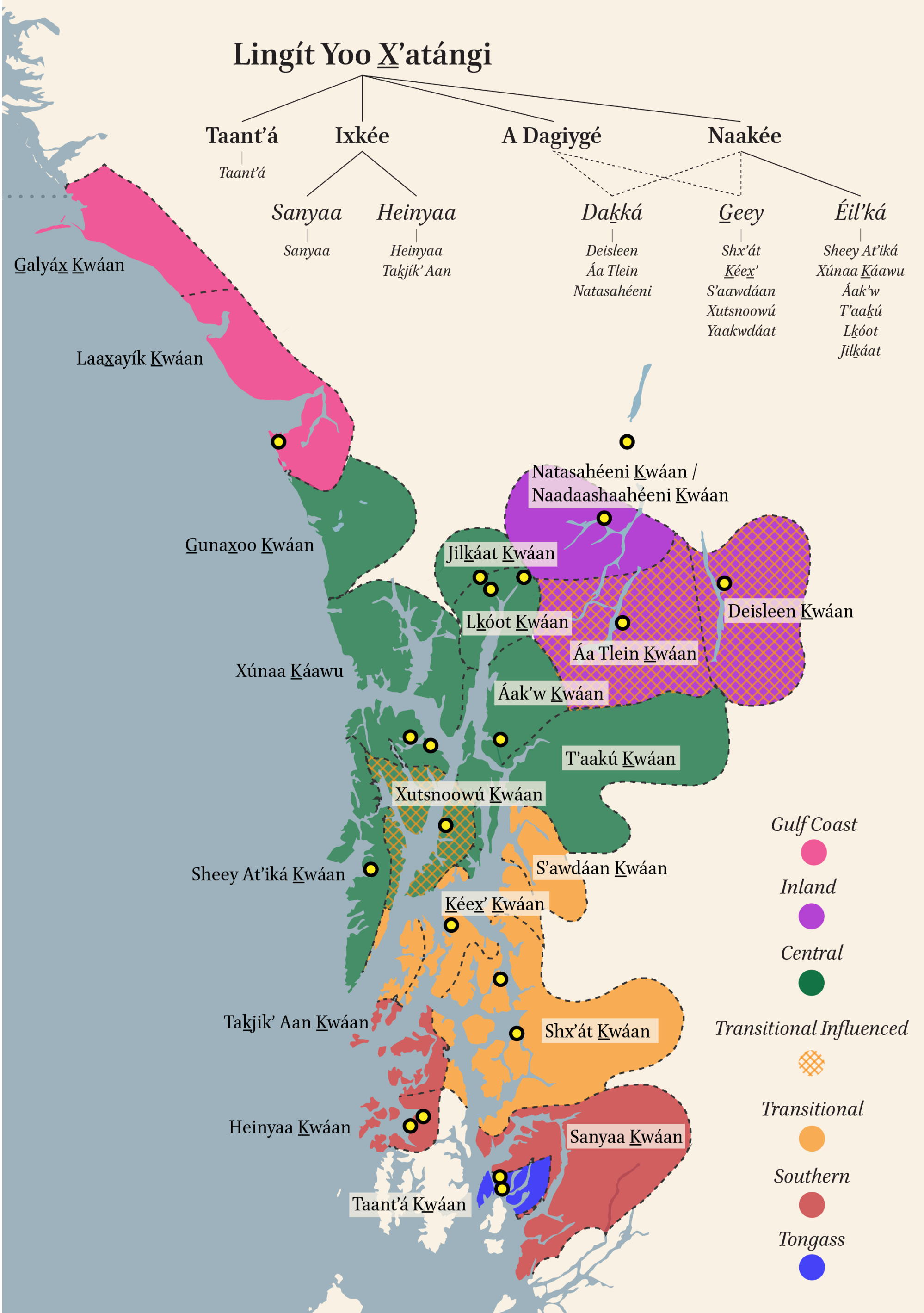
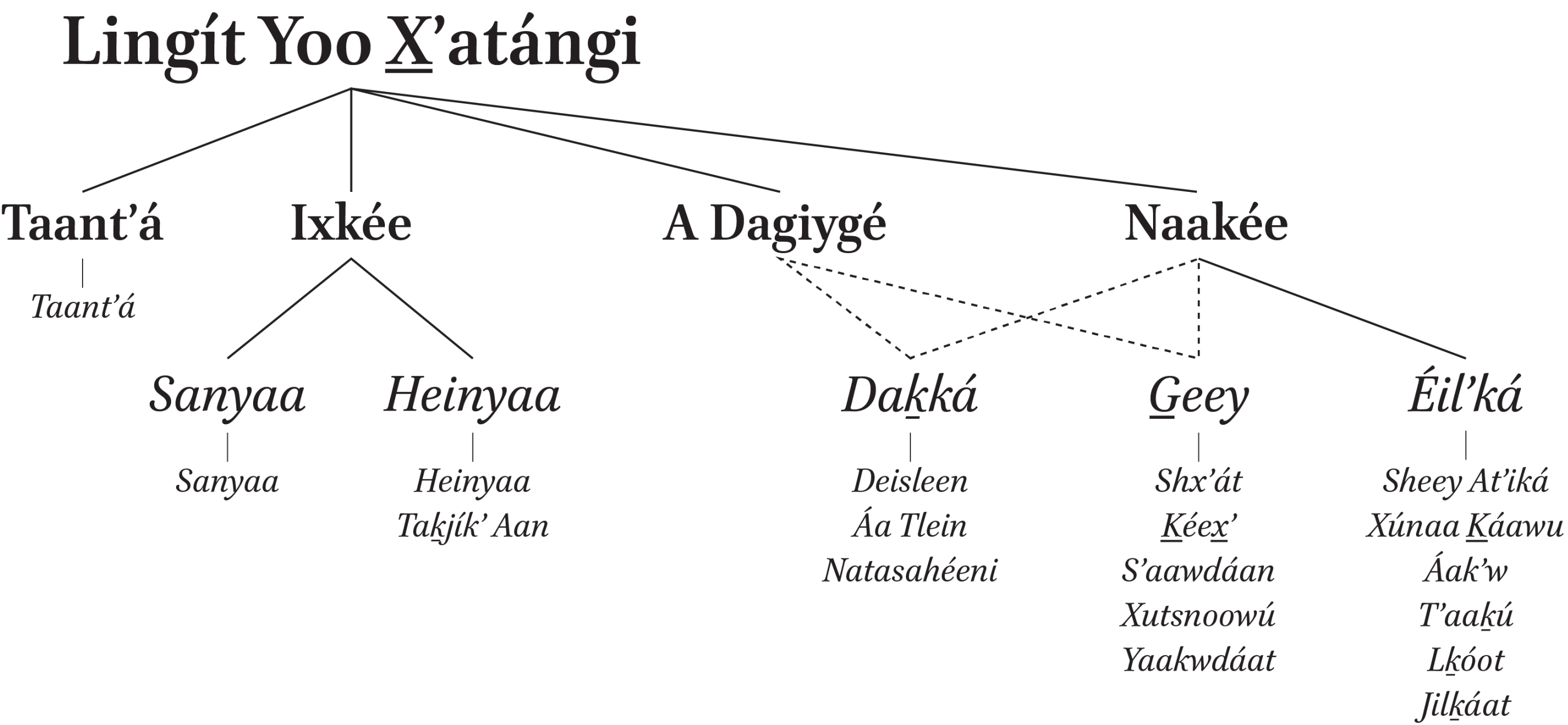
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Language Families • Learning Methods • Sounds & Letters

LANGUAGE FAMILY

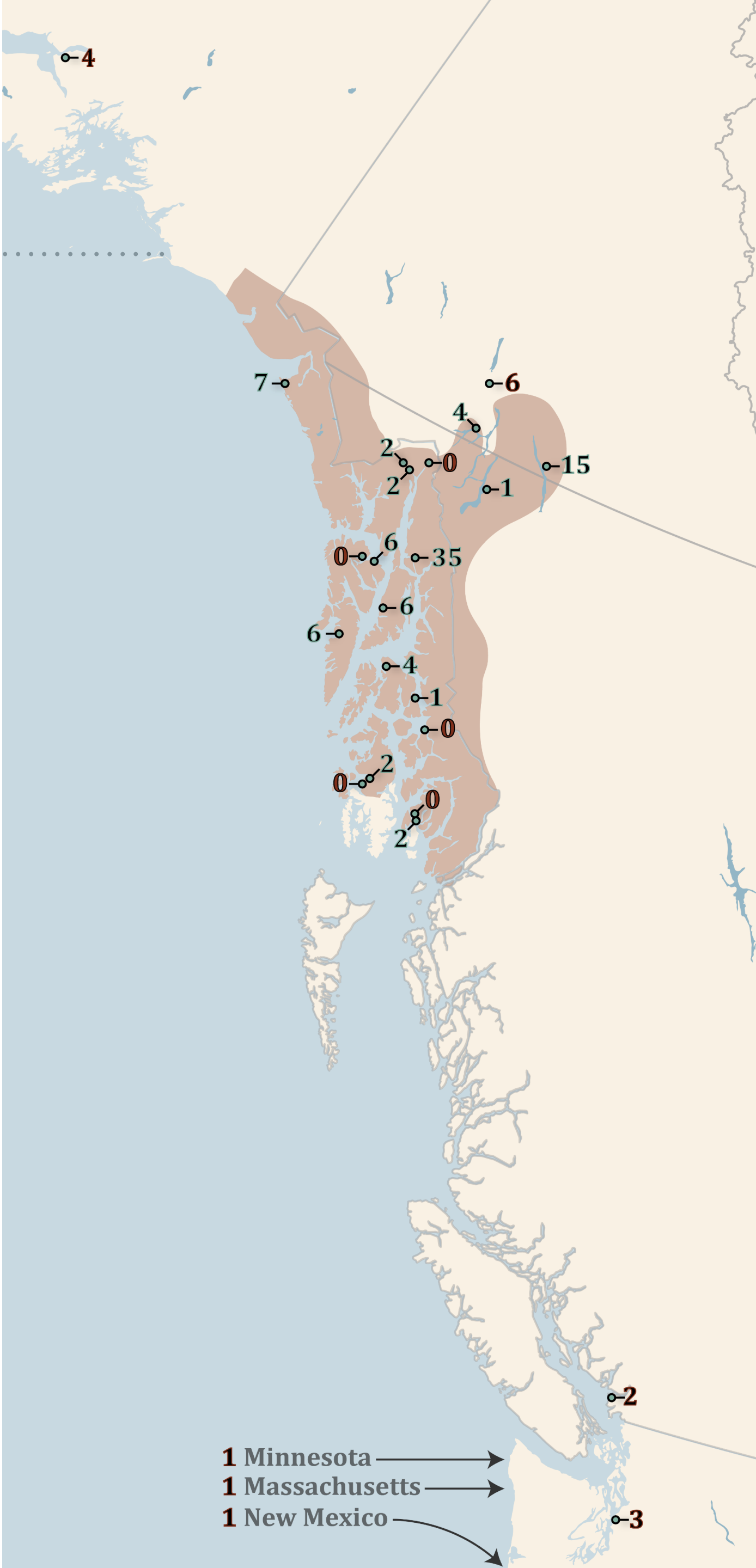
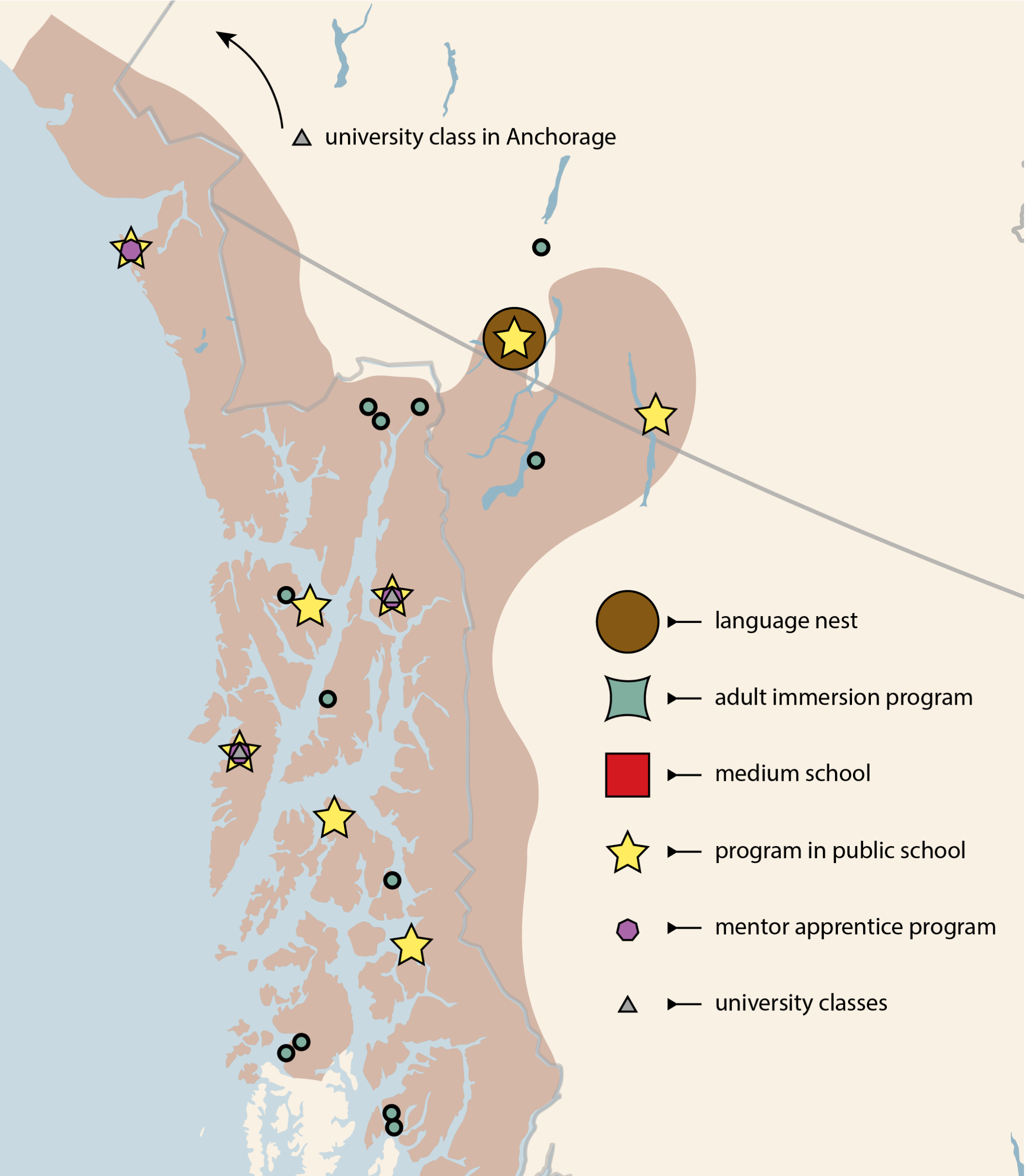


DIALECTS



ESTIMATED NUMBER OF SPEAKERS

Anchorage	4
Angoon	9
Carcross	3
Craig	0
Haines	2
Hoonah	9
Juneau	31
Kake	13
Ketchikan	0
Klawock	2
Klukwan	2
Minnesota	1
Petersburg	1
Saxman	2
Seattle	3
Sitka	22
Skagway	0
Teslin	15
Whitehorse	4
Wrangell	0
Yakutat	4
Total	127



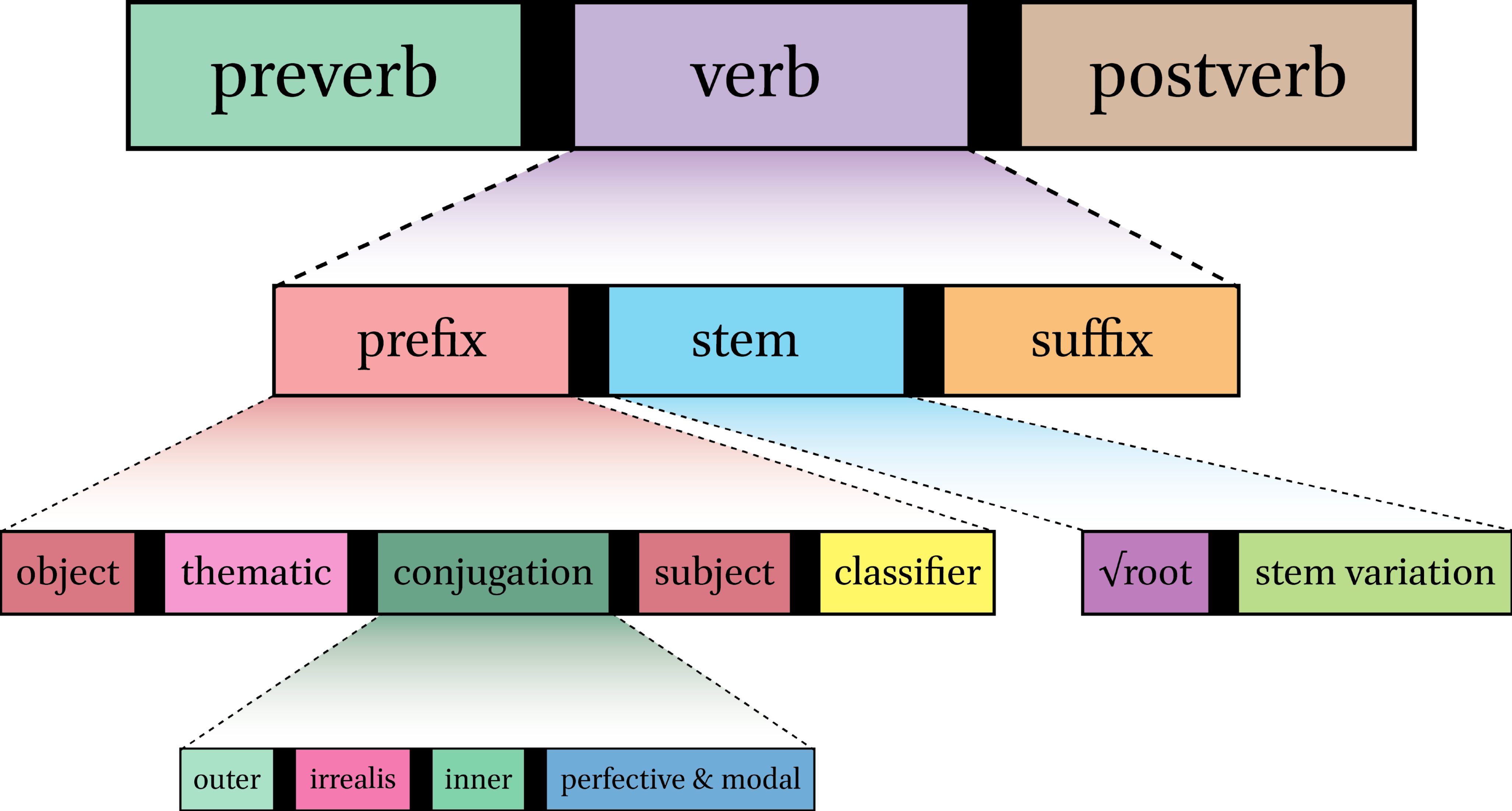
THE TLINGIT ALPHABET

a	á	aa	áa	ch	ch'	d	dl	dz	e
é	ei	éi	g	gw	<u>g</u>	<u>g</u> w	h	i	í
ee	ée	j	k	kw	k'	k'w	<u>k</u>	<u>k</u> w	<u>k</u> '
<u>k</u> 'w	l	l'	n	s	s'	sh	t	t'	tl
tl'	ts	ts'	u	ú	oo	óoo	w	x	xw
x'	x'w	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u> w	<u>x</u> '	<u>x</u> 'w	y	.		

• *ch'áak'*

- 58 letters
- 25 not found in English
- 4 that may be unique to Tlingit
 - * *k'w, k'w, x'w, x'w*

BASIC VERBAL STRUCTURE



LEARNING TLINGIT

- listen to fluent speakers
 - use the language as often as possible
 - believe in yourself
 - assess yourself fairly
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- work on pronunciation
 - develop basic reading & writing skills
 - learn names for common objects (nouns)
 - learn common and useful phrases
 - learn verbs with simple conjugation (person)
 - learn interjections (ha.é!)
 - begin understanding verbal structure
 - learn to modify nouns
 - learn direction & relational terms
 - learn verbal structure
 - more roots, prefixes, classifiers

SOUND PRACTICE

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