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**Abstract**

In this article, which is a continuation of the work, the question of the probable affinity between the Chinese and Russian languages is considered. Using the law of logic (if  $A = B$ , and  $B = C$ , then  $A$  must be equal to  $C$ ), it is shown that the Russian language, which is part of the Slavic group of Indo-European languages, can be considered related to Chinese since the Chechen language, along with other North Caucasian languages, according to the theory of S. Starostin, it is assumed to be related to Chinese. To prove the legitimacy of the affinity between the Russian and Chechen languages, more than 100 verb correspondences in them have been identified. In the second part of the article, as well as in the first, 50 verb correspondences are considered. The total number includes verbs of sound ("verba dicendi"), verbs of movement, verbs with the semantics of burning, verbs denoting labor actions, and verbs that are not included in one or another thematic group. Verbs are interesting given their belonging to the least permeable part of the vocabulary of the language. There are no Chinese correspondences in the article; it is proposed to supporters of the Sino-Caucasian theory of S. Starostin to identify verb parallels between Chinese and Chechen..

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## 1. Introduction

Hypotheses about the relationship of the North Caucasian (NC), Sino-Tibetan (ST), and Proto-Yenisei (PE) language families, were expressed earlier. However, there was no scientific basis for their proof because this requires a combination of three conditions: the presence of a sufficient number of dictionary comparisons, a system of regular phonetic correspondences of the identified dictionary comparisons, and the amount of the so-called “basic vocabulary.” These requirements could not previously be met due to the lack of Proto-North Caucasian, Proto-Yenisei, and Proto-Sino-Tibetan reconstruction. At present, according to Starostin, they are, first of all, represented by the Etymological Dictionary of the North Caucasian Languages (Nikolayev & Starostin, 1994). The Proto-Yenisei and Proto-Sino-Tibetan reconstructions are not considered in the article since they are far from the scientific interests of this study. There are some doubts about the North Caucasian reconstruction on which the Sino-Caucasian theory is built. Consider the following Proto-Sino-Caucasian (PSC) roots, restored by Starostin and the authors of the article:

PSC \*?iʒʒwV-n- ‘to drink’ (Nakh. \*mala ‘drink’ ~ PIE. \*mal-k ‘sip, drink, milk’)

PSC \*?iGGwVr ‘dry’ (Nikolayev & Starostin, 1994) SC material allows restoring the protoform \*-aq’- ‘dry’, ‘from ash’, Nakh. \*j-aq’-in ‘dry’, ‘from ash’ < \*jaq’ ‘ash’, avar. raq’ ‘land, land’, b-aq’v-aze ‘to dry, dry’; Adyg. dyq'a ‘frozen’.

## 2. Problem Statement

The hypothesis of the affinity of the North Caucasian, Sino-Tibetan, and Proto-Yenisei language families is based on a comparison of the reconstructed roots, the reliability of which regarding the Proto-Caucasian roots is doubtful in many cases (which is confirmed by the above examples). The reconstructed roots are not accompanied by specific lexical material, which could be used to check the plausibility of the reconstruction. Against the background of Chechen-Russian, and, more broadly, East Caucasian-Indo-European, parallels, Starostin’s Sino-Caucasian rapprochements look rather unreliable, so the task of this article is to demonstrate this using the example of Russian-Chechen verb correspondences.

## 3. Research Questions

The subject of the paper, which consists of two parts, is more than 100 Russian-Chechen (in some cases Slavic-Chechen) verb parallels.

## 4. Purpose of the Study

The purpose of the study is to detect a sort of affinity between the Nakh-Dagestan and Indo-European languages based on an analysis of their basic vocabulary in accordance with the Swadesh dictionary.

## 5. Research Methods

The article uses comparative-historical and comparative-typological study methods..

## 6. Findings

More than 100 lexical parallels between the Russian and Chechen languages have been identified, among which are **verbs of sounding** (*адать, бахать, баять, велеть, вякать / векать, бекать, декать, dial. гыргать ‘гриметь’, дохать «кашлять», хвастать*), **verbs of labor activity** (*брать, бутить, валить, добать, деребать, доить, драть, ударять, \*дърдати, калить, латать, лелеять, лечить, лычить «сдирать кору», ляцать, радеть, стегать, стелить, тесать, цестить*), **verbs of physical influence** (*бухнуть, бодать, дебеть, держать, кидать, дергать, лянутуть «ударить», лёскать, (о)тавить, тискать, хабить «портить», хитить / хватать*), **verbs of motion** (*бавить, гряду / грясти, двигать, дргать «дрожать», ёрзать / вёрзаться, ехать, искать, \*лызать «скользить, кататься по льду», порхать, садиться, торкать «толкать», хибать «качать», хилить «нагибать», ховать / совать*), **verbs of sense perception** (*десить «встречать», зеть «смотреть», лакать «жаждать», смотреть, судить / рассуждать, чту // по-читать*), **onomatopoeic verbs** (*хинькать «хныкать», прыскать, сысати «шипеть», чихать*), and **verbs “varia”** (*бајсать, бухнуть, \*гирати «кутить», дргать «дрожать», киснуть, квасить, модеть, мырчати «моросить»*).

Of these 100 Russian-Chechen verbal parallels, 50 verbs are considered in the first part and 50 in the second part of the article. Many of the considered Chechen verbs change according to grammatical classes, and numbers, by changing the root vowel (in an inflectional way) to form aspect pairs of verbal action, all this excludes their borrowing from Russian or any other language.

The etymologies of the Russian *бавить, баҳорить, хабить / хибать, ховать, хинькать, судить* etc. have been clarified.

Regular sound correspondences are established (*б ~ б, в ~ в, ғ ~ ғ / ғI, ð ~ ð, з ~ з, к ~ к / кх, л ~ л, м ~ м, р ~ р, с ~ с / ш, т ~ т / тхъ, х ~ х, ү ~ ү*) in the Nakh and Slavic languages.

1. Slavic **\*baviti** ‘leave to exist, let stay, be on time off, shirk’ in Rus. *из-бавить, у-бавить, до-бавить*, PIE. **\*bhau-** ‘cut’ (Makovsky, 2004, p. 139) ~ Chechen **bovdāla** // **bevdāla** ‘separate, separate from the family in property (about a married son)’, Ing. buvdala, Tush *bed-d-al'a'* ‘отделиться’, *bed* ‘отдельно’. Formation of the stem *bav-* // *bev-* ‘separate, independent’ (< *\*bav-*) and the verb *dala* ‘become’. Related to Chechen *buо* ‘sирота’, pl. *баі*, Shugnan *beva* ‘widow, widower’. Nothing to do with the verb *быть, бывать* Rus. *бавить* does not have to add.

2. Slavic **\*bagliti** ‘burn hotly’, **\*bažiti** // **\*bažati** ‘hot desire’ (< *\*bagati* ‘burn with desire’), Ukr. *багати* = *бажати*, Rus. *баҗаңаць* ‘ardently desire’, dial. *bagatié* ‘fire’, OHG. *bahhan*, E. *bacan* ‘bake’ (EDSL-1), dial. *beek* ‘burn, shine’, Swed. *baka*, Dan. *bage* ‘bake’, Greek *phogo* ‘I fry’, PIE. **\*beg-** // **\*bog-** ‘burn, bake’ (< *\*bag-*). ~ Chechen **бāга** ‘burn’, Tush *бакла* ‘burn’), Avar. *Begize* ‘bake’, *p-eкIize*, Gunz. *б-екла*, Dargva *игес* ‘burn’). Of particular interest is the fact that this verb in the Indo-European languages also shows correspondences with another class indicator of the Nakh languages: Nakh **\*daga** ‘burn’ ~ Slav. **\*dagati** ‘burn’ (Old Czech. *dahneti*, *degneti*, Lith. *degu*, *degti* ‘burn’, Germ. *\*daga* ‘shine’, Avest. *daga* ‘burn’).

3. Rus. **баяти** ‘talk, tell (fables, fictions)’, Bulg. *бая* ‘whisper incantations, spells (about a healer, sorcerer)’, *bai*, *bai* ‘heal with conspiracies’, Old Czech *bati*, *baju* ‘talk, invent’, Czech. *bajeti* ‘talk, tell’; *bajat* ‘talk, tell (fairy tales)’, *bajat* ‘invent, tell fables’, v.-pud. *bać* ‘tell (fables, fairy tales), talk nonsense’, n.-pud. *bajaś* ‘talk, tell’, Pol. *bajać* ‘to tell (fables or tales), to tell fables’, Slovin. *bajac* ‘tell (fables, fairy tales), talk nonsense’ (EDSL-1). ~ Nakh **\*baj’an** ‘to chat, to talk, to tell stories, to talk nonsense’, present. *baj'u*, Chechen **baj'a**, **boj'a** (Vagapov, 2019). Anikin also cites Bel. *баяцъ* about ‘spread rumours, grind nonsense, idle talk, tell tales’; OE. *bōian* ‘boast’.

4. Slavic **\*buliti** ‘puff, goggle’, Bel. *polessk. пултысъ* ‘strain with all your might’, Rus. dial. *выпудить глаза*, Serbo-Croat. *бульити* ‘to stare’, Goth. *uf-bauljan* ‘inflate, inflate’, PIE. **\*bul-** ‘вздуваться, напрягаться’. ‘to swell, to strain’. We also include OE here with a devocalization *b-*. *pullian* ‘pull’ (E. pull), Low.-Germ. *pulen*, Dat. dial. *pulle* ‘pull’ (Makovsky, 2004). ~ Nakh **\*b-ūlan** ‘tension, inflate, charge’ (Chechen *būla*, Tush *bula<sup>n</sup>*).

5. Slavic **\*bъro**, **\*brati**, Rus. *беру*, *брать* < ‘cut, bevel’ (not ‘bring’, contrary to traditional opinion), *брить* (< \*brei < \*bher); Kurd. *birin* ‘cut’, ‘wound’; G. dial. *beren* ‘beat’, OE. *beran*, ON. *berja* ‘to hit’, PIE. **\*ber-** // **\*bar-** ‘cut, tear, tear’ (Makovsky, 2004). ~ Nakh **\*b-āra<sup>n</sup>** ‘cut, chop’, **bēr-i** ‘I cut’, **bōr-u** ‘I cut’: Chechen *b-āra* (*bēr-i*, *bōr-u*), Ing. *барда*, Tush *барла<sup>n</sup>* (Vagpaov, 2021). Toward the development of semantics *резать* ~ *ударить* cf. Nakh *ð-āpa* ‘cut, tear’ (= **b-āra<sup>n</sup>**) ~ Rus. *ударить*, Rus. *резать* ~ *разить*; Greek *aireo* ‘take’ ~ *eryo* ‘tear, pull out, grab’.

6. Rus. dial. *дерибатъ* ‘strongly scratch’, ‘scratch, pinch’, Ukr. *деребати* ‘to remove the turf’, slav. *\*dъrbati*. ~ Chechen **dār-b-an** ‘to tear, inflame, unravel (wound, soul), anger, infuriate’ (Tush. *дараңдоð-б-ан* ‘выстругать, обтесать’). All-Nakh class. verb ~ summing up the stems of *ðāpa* (tear apart) and *бан* (make).

7. OCS *y-дарити*, Rus. *ударить*, Lith. *dáriti* ‘do’ (< ‘cut, plan’), Avest. *dar-* ‘разрывать(ся), раскалывать(ся)’, Skrt. *dar-* ‘tear, divide, smash’ (Tsabolov, I, 273), ‘tear apart, split’ (Kochergina, SRS, 891), *daras* ‘crack, slit, hole’, *drnati* ‘splits’, Kurd. *darinin* ‘to scratch, scrape; dig; to plan’, Dari *daraū* ‘mow down’, PIE. **\*dor-** ‘cut, hit’. ~ Nakh **\*d-āran** ‘cut, tear’: Chechen *d-āra*, Ing. *darda*, Tush *darla<sup>n</sup>*). Related to Tush *дараңдоð-ð-ан* ‘to plan, hew’, PIE. **\*der-** ‘cut, tear’: Germ. *\*deran* ‘tear’ (old E. *teran*), Slav. *\*dero*, *\*dъrati*, Kurd. *dirin* ‘tear’. To the connection of meanings *ударить* ~ *рубить*, *кроить* cf. L. *caedere* ‘cut, chop’. As in many other cases, has correspondence in PIE. languages and other class exponents *ð-*, *v-*, *ü-* (see *ð-āpa*, *v-āpa*, *ü-āpa*).

8. Slav. **\*dъrdati**: maked. dial. *ðрда* ‘shred, cut with a blunt’, Upper Lusatian. *dyrdac* ‘to pinch, tear, pull’. ~ Chechen **dār-d-an** ‘to tear, inflame, rattle (wound, soul), anger, infuriate’, Tush *дараңдоð-ð-ан* ‘to plan, hew’). The addition of the stems of the *ðapa* (‘tear’) and *дан* (‘do’). See *ðар-ð-ан*.

9. Rus. **бутить** ‘make rubble masonry’, *бым* ‘building stone’, E. **put** ‘put’ (Old. E. **\*putian** // *potian*, E. *potte*), **put up** ‘build’. ~ Chechen **б-үотта<sup>n</sup>** ‘pour; put, load on, pile up; build, erect a wall’, Tush *бомма<sup>n</sup>*, iter. *б-умма*. From a cultural and historical point of view, cf. Chechen *бигла* ‘lay, put up a wall, erect, build’ ~ E. *build* ‘build’; Chechen *ü-yomma<sup>n</sup>* ‘pour; lay, erect, build’ ~ ME. *yoten* ‘pour, pour’. Phonetically, the narrowing of the diphthong *yo* > *y* in the Chechen language is typical for the present tense forms of verbs of the 1st conjugation: *mIulg буомма* ‘make masonry’ ~ present. temp. *mIulg бутм(y)*, *йоха* ‘put on’ ~ *үyx(y)* ‘puts on’, *myoca* ‘beat off’ ~ *myc(y)* ‘beats off’.

10. Rus. **бухнуть, разбухать**, Serbo-Croat. **бýсити** ‘inflate’ (EDSL-3), Greek. ‘to blow, inflate’, MHG. bus ‘puffiness, swelling’, G. bausen ‘to swell, swell’, East Frisian. busen ‘make noise, buzz’, Norv. fusa ‘to whistle’, føysa ‘to pout’ < \*fausian (Fasmer, 1973). ~ Chechen **b-usa** ‘inflate, pump up’ (Ing. **бүеса**, Tush **бонса** ‘inflate’ < \*bousan, **бенса** ‘inflate’ < \*beusan), haid. **пүс** ‘puffy’, **пүсвицца** ‘puff up’. Noteworthy is the complete similarity of the Nakh proto-forms **\*beusan** // **\*bousan** // **\*busan** c PIE. **\*beus-** // **\*bous-** // **\*bus-** ‘to blow, inflate’. Related to Rus. **быстрый** from **\*бусрый** < \*buc- (Fasmer, 1967). See paragraph 18.

11. Rus. **боодать**, Bulg. **боодá** ‘to prick’, ‘to butt; sting’, Serbo-Croat. ‘to tingle, to walk slowly’, old. **бóдаму** ‘pungere’, Svt. bodat’ ‘колоть’, badkat’ ‘to prick’, badkat’ ‘to take small steps, push’ (EDSL-2), Czech. bodati ‘prick, sting, butt’; OPrus. boadis ‘prick’, L. fodio ‘prick’ (Shansky, 1965), PIE. **\*bhod-** // **\*bhed-** ‘stab, poke, butt’ (Kadagidze & Kadagidze, 1984). ~ Chechen **b-uōda** ‘go; enter (into a solid mass), steak in’, Tush **бомла** ‘leave’.

12. Rus. **валить** чеш. valiti ‘to roll’, Slov. val’at’ ‘to bring down (trees)’, Skrt. valati ‘turns’, OHG. wuolen ‘dig up, uproot’, PIE. **\*uel-** ‘to bend, to bring down; turn, roll’. ~ Chechen **v-illa** ‘put down, dump’, Tush villa”. . The original Nakh form ~ **\*valla**”, cf. dial. valli, oħavalli ‘dumped, put down’. Semantically cf. Chechen karča // kierča ‘to roll’, karčo // kierčo ‘to roll’ with Rus. **корчевать**, Slavic **\*korčiti** ‘to writhe, twist’, **\*кърčь** ‘stump, block, uprooted tree’.

13. Polab. **dāyāc** ‘breathe’, Bulg. **дъхам** ‘breathe, smell’, Serbo-Croat. **đákamu** ‘to blow, smell from the mouth, stink’, **đax**, Maked. **đax** ‘breathe’, Rus. dial. **đoxamъ** ‘to cough strongly; have fun noisily; hit’, **đeoхамъ** ‘sigh heavily, groan loudly’, Rus. dial. **đyšiamъ** ‘speak; speak plaintively, moan’ (EDSL-5), Slavic **\*dvoxati** ‘breathe heavily, puff, choke (from illness), cough’ (Anikin, 281). ~ Chechen **đāxa** ‘to take out, extract, produce (into the light), hatch (chicks); pronounce (sounds, words), speak, repeat; make sighs, breathe, emit (smell)’, present. **đōxu**, Tush **đāxa**”, sa **đāxa**” ‘breath’ (Kadagidze & Kadagidze, 1984). In both groups of languages, there is a similar alternation of vowels *a* : *o* (**đāxa** ~ **đōxy**) and consonants *x* : *c* (**đāxa** ~ **\*đāca**- ‘lower the chamber of the wheel; empty’). The concept of **дыхания, духа** is associated with the concept **быстрый, порывистый** (see paragraph 14), so агул. **дахи, крыз. даҳай,** бодух. **дыых, хин. даҳ** ‘fast, quick’ can be used for comparison.

14. Rus. dial. **дебеть** ‘for a long time, stubbornly sit over smth.’ **дябеть** ‘to be for a long time, to be somewhere, waiting for someone to do something’, Bulg. **дебя** ‘to lie in wait’, dial. **деби** ‘sits lurking’, **деба** ‘observe imperceptibly’, Serbo-Croat. **депсти, дебем** ‘to lie in wait for (game, prey on the hunt)’, Polish. **dubac** ‘to lie in wait, creep up’, Slavic **\*debeti** ‘to lie in wait’ (EDSL-4). ~ Chechen **таба** ‘hide’, iter. **тиба** ‘stalking, spying’, Ing. **mueба**. The same group of words include etymologically dark E. thief, голл. **dief**, OHG. **diob** ‘thief’.

15. Rus. **держатъ**, Polish. **dziergac** ‘to tie, tighten a knot’, **zadziergnąć** ‘to bind’, dzierzyc ‘держать’, Czech. rare **drhati** ‘to tie, tighten a knot’, Avest. **darəzayeti** ‘binds’, **dərəz** ‘connection, bonds’, PIE. **\*derg-** // **\*derk-** ‘pull, hold, tie’ (EDSL-5). ~ Chechen **дуохка** ‘belt’, **d-iexka** (Itum. dierka), Tush **dexk'a**” ‘to tie’. It should be noted that the sound complex **хк** Chechen Lith. language in highland dialects corresponds to **-rk-**, for example: **axka** // **arka** ‘to dig’ (= Hittite **ark** ‘to divide the land by a canal’), **axk** // **ark** ‘ridge’ (= PIE. **\*reg** ‘horn’, L. **arcus** ‘arch’), **muoxk** // **muork** ‘land’ (= PIE. **\*mark** ‘outlying area’).

16. Slavic \***děti** ‘to milk’, Latv. *det* ‘suck’, Goth. *daddjan* ‘breastfeed’ ~ Chechen **d-ietta** ‘to milk’, Tush *ð-emma*. In connection with the technology of milking from *ð-uemma* ‘бить’ (meaning ‘beat on the udder, beat with a jet’). Relatedly Tush *беммап* ‘cash cow’, Chechen *иуемм* ‘cow’, *даьтта* ‘oil’, Slavic \**dětъ* ‘children’ < ‘milking (mother), breastfeeding, suckers’.

17. Czech dial. **drhat** ‘to nurse’, Kasub. *dergac* ‘to tremble’ (Shansky, 1965). ~ Chechen **taxka**<sup>1</sup> ‘sway’, dial. *марка*, Tush *марк-ðа* ‘shake’), iter. **tiexka** // **tierka** ‘sway, wiggle’, Tush *терка*. Separate correspondences in the Dagestan languages, cf. Avar. *mIуркIизе* ‘to tremble’, *mIеркIезе* ‘to startle’. By alternating **p** ~ **x** cf. above *мохк* // *морк*, to the interruption **т** ~ **д**: *тиеба* ~ *диеба*.

18. ORus. **досими** ‘find’, Rus. *десить*, OSlav. *decumū* ‘find, meet’ (Fasmer, 1964). ~ Chechen **tuōsa-vala** ‘smell, notice’. Addition of the stem *tusa* and auxiliary verb *vala* with recurrence semantics. Etymological meaning ‘to meet, to collide’ is supported by Chechen *дуъхъалкхюета* ‘to meet’, *бIаърг кхюета* ‘to notice’ from *кхюета* ‘to collide’. This probably includes OHG. *stoßan*, Germ. *stoßen* II ‘to bump into someone, to meet someone by chance’. Kurd. *tūš* ‘meeting’, *tūš būn* ‘to meet’ Tsabolov (II, 420) considers borrowed from Turk. *tuš-* ‘to meet, to come across, to come together, to stumble, to collide’ (TES, III, 303).

19. Rus. **жалеть**, Kash. *zalowac* ‘to regret’, ULuzh. *zelic* ‘mourn, mourn’, OSlav. **жасити** ‘mourn’, Bulg. *жалея* ‘mourn, regret’, OHG. *quēlan* ‘suffer from pain’, *quāla* ‘torment’. From **жалъ** ‘provoking compassion’. Related to **жалъ** (Fasmer, 1967; 1973) ~ Chechen *mouth*. **q'āla** ‘mourn, regret’ (Gadaev M.) from **q'a** ‘pity’. Related to **q'ēlig-dāla** ‘shrink, pretend to be unhappy, try to arouse compassion’ < **q'āl-ig-dāla**.

20. Rus. **жаловать, жалование** (Fasmer, 1967; Shansky, 1965). ~ Chechen **jāl** ‘salary, payment for work; reward, reward’ (Maciev, 1961), **jāl jala** ‘give a reward’. This word is also represented in Turkic. languages: **йал, жал** ‘salary, payment for work; reward’ (ЭСТЯ 85). This does not include Slavic verbs with the semantics ‘complain, regret, regret’.

21. Rus. **по-зеть, позеть, позетить** ‘look’, ‘look out’, *зехать* ‘stare’, *со-зерцать, взирать*, *пре-зирать* ‘look from above, down’, Bel. *узерицъ* ‘look at, examine’, Slavic \***ze-ti** ‘see’, \***zъreti** ‘to see’ (Fasmer, 1967). ~ Chechen **zien** ‘test, check, see’, Ing. *зиē* ‘observe, notice, track down, supervise, notice’, Tush *zega* ‘try’. It is interesting to note the Russian derivative forms *зенки* ‘eyes’ and *зеница* (*ока*) with a nasal *h*, corresponding to the Chechen *h* at the stem of the infinitive *зиен*. The **-r-** expander in \***zъreti** can be explained as suf. masdara **-p** in Chechen *зиер* ‘inspection, observation’ (< *зиe*). Typologically similar cases, in our opinion, also take place in Rus. *смотр*, corresponding to Chechen *муоттар* < *муотта* (см.).

22. Rus. **искать, ищу**, Bulg. *искам, ища* ‘I wish, I demand’, Serbo-Croatian *искати, иштам* ‘seek, wish’, Maked. *иска* ‘want’, OIran. *ēšati* ‘I am looking for’, Avest. *isaiti*, Skrt. *iccháti* ‘seeks, desires’, OHG. *eisenken* (Germ. *heischen*), OE. *ascian* ‘seek, ask, demand’, PIE. \***ais-** ‘wish, want, seek, demand’ (EDSL-8) ~ Chechen **ieša** ‘to suffer a loss, defeat, lose’, ‘to have a need, to be required, to need’, Tush. *эша* (Kadagidze & Kadagidze, 1984).

23. Proto-Slavonic \***kaliti**, Rus. *калить, закалить, окалина*, L. *celare* ‘hide’, OIrish *celim*, OHG. *helan* ‘hide’, PIE. \***kel-** ‘hide, cover with paint’. This also includes L. *caleo* ‘burn’, Germ. *hell* ‘shiny’. ~

Chechen **qāla** ‘to cover with a layer; gild, silver’, Tush *кхалла* “‘to be put on, covered’. Cf. also Rus. *каленый* and Chechen *qālina* ‘decorated, covered with a shiny layer’.

24. Slavic **\*čisti, \*čyto** (< ProtoSlav. *\*keit-*), Czech. dial. *čist* ‘think, believe’, Rus. *чты*, *почитаю, почесть, считаю*, Latv. *kietu* ‘think’, Skrt. *čittis* ‘thinking, understanding’, *četati* ‘thinks, cognizes, understands; comes to consciousness’, Old Iran. *kait-* ‘think about’, ‘keep in mind’, *caus.* ‘teach’, Avest. *čisti* ‘knowledge, understanding’, Osset. *k'ityn* // *ask'etun* ‘wake up, regain consciousness’ (Abaev, 1959: ON. *gedj*, Norv. *gjed* ‘consciousness’), PIE. **\*ket- // \*keit-** ‘think, understand’ (Fasmer, 374-375; EDSL-4: 119). ~ Nakh **\*qietan**: Chechen *qieta* ‘hit, run into, meet; achieve, understand, realize’, Tush *кхема*”, Chechen *кхиемам* ‘concept, understanding; consciousness’, *кхиемам чу вāн* to come to consciousness’. In the same series, considered Osset. *g'ityn* // *igetun*: *igitt* ‘do not decide, do something, be indecisive’, which considers as an additional argument in favor of convergence of these stems not only with OE. *gietan*<sup>1</sup> ‘get, reach’ (E. *get*), *gietan*<sup>2</sup> ‘kill’ (“the concept of a blow is connected with the concept of achievement” (Makovsky, 2004), but also OE. **hittan** ‘clear up, hit, meet’ (E. *hit* ‘hit the target; bump into; Amer. *reach*’), ON. *hitta*, Germ. *\*kittan* // *\*kiettan*. To the transition ie ~ i cp. Chechen *кхета* ~ *кхийти* ‘understood; hit; encountered’.

25. Rus. **киснуть, про-кисать, киселиться** ‘get excited, bully, cock’, Serbo-Croat. *kiša* ‘rain’, *kišnuti* ‘get wet, soaked’, *kysnoti* ‘get sour, fermented’, Isl. *geysa* ‘spew’, ON. *kiss* ‘bubble in liquid’, E. cheese (Berneker, 678, Buck, 68). PIE. **\*kes-** ‘throw’ (Makovsky, 2004). ~ Chechen *qovsa*, iter. *qijsa* ‘pump air with bellows, squirt, vomit’. Hence Chechen *qissa* ‘throw, shoot’, *qissavala* ‘1. jump, bounce; 2. get excited, bully, cock.’ Original form ~ *qejsa* // *qevska*, cp. бац. *qepsa* ‘throw’.

26. Slavic **\*kvasъ, \*kvasiti**, Rus. *квас*, *квасить*, dial. *кваситься* ‘wine, cry’, “become cloudy, become covered with clouds”, Itsh. *kusat* ‘boil’, *kusuls* ‘spring’, PIE. **\*kuat(h)-** ‘hiss, wander, sprinkle, sour, ferment’, Skrt. *kvathati* ‘wanders’, Isl. *gaus*, *geysa* ‘gush, spew’. ~ Chechen *qovsa* ‘splash, squirt’ (Ing. *кхосса*, Tush *кхаса* “‘throw away’). Historically, the original vowel of the root in the Nakh languages is *a*, so for the verb pair *ловса* // *лийса* we have the correlative *лāса* ‘blow, wave’, for the pair *доевла* // *диylla* ~ *дāла* ‘pass’, therefore, for the pair *кховса* // *кхийса*, so it is possible to reconstruct the ProtoNakh **\*кхāса**, which correlates with Skrt. *kasate*, OLith. *kosti*, *kosiu* ‘I cough’ (Gamkrelidze & Ivanov, 1984), Rus. *каша* (< ‘coughing, puffing food’), *кашель, кашлять*.

27. Slavic **\*kidati** ‘throw out, splash out’, ON. *skiota* ‘shoot’, *skiotask* ‘rush at the smb’, OHG. *sciozan* ‘jump up, jump; (rapidly) rush; shoot’, OE. *scotian* ‘shout’, Alb. *qes*, aorist *qita* ‘throw out, pour out’; Irish *cithim* ‘pour out’, *cioth* ‘rainstorm’ (Makovsky, 2004). ~ Chechen *quossa* ‘throw; blurt out, shoot’, Tush *кхаса* “‘throw, pimple’, *кхоса* “‘throw, shoot’, *кхомма* “‘throw’ (Kadagidze & Kadagidze, 1984). Form to *кхисса*, directly ascending to *кховса*, as *дуюх-дан* ‘warm’ to *доеха* ‘hot’. Semantically cf. Irish *cioth* ‘rainstorm’ at Chechen *кхуюссана* *доэлы* *доэла* ‘rainstorm’, lit. ‘rain falling as if thrown out’. It is interesting to note a similar alternation *c* // *m* in Indo-European and Nakh (Batsbi) forms.

28. Slavic **\*gyriti, \*gyrati** ‘go on a rampage, to debauch’, lat. *gerro* ‘joker’, *garire* ‘talk’, PIE. **\*ger-** ‘shout’. ~ Chechen *къиера* ‘have fun, walk’, *са-къиера*, Ing. *къиера* ‘have fun, walk’ (Vagapov, 2021). Further, perhaps related to Avar. *къырд*, Andy *къырд*, Cham. *къур-*, Bagv. *къер-* ‘dance’. The semantic development probably took place in the direction from the meaning ‘to go on a spree, to have

fun, to rejoice' to the meaning 'to have fun, to walk', cf. Rus. *зудеть* in the figurative meaning of 'noisy fun'.

29. Slavic \***I'asknoti** (from the form \***I'askati**), Rus. dial. *ляснуть* 'strongly hit', 'click, clang', 'rush to run', 'abyss', Bel. dial. *ляснуть* 'hit; abyss', Bulg. dial. *лосна* 'hit, slap on a naked body or on the surface of a liquid; splash', Slovene *leskniti* 'click', Bel. dial. *лесконецъ* 'rattle', \***lesknoti** (< \***leskati**). ~ Chechen *läxka* 'drive, drive away, run away', Tush *лахкIа*" (1) 'drive, drive away', *лахкIа*" (2) 'beat, wave (arms, legs)'. The form to *лиехка* (см.). The sound complex of the *хк* of the Nakh languages in Indo-European languages sometimes corresponds -*ск-* (see *виехка*, *дихка*). In verbal stems, it often has an iterative (repetitive) meaning. The initial semantics of *лахка* – 'drive, making noise (with shouts, blows, etc.)'. Semantically cf. Skrt. *ghanas* 'club' – Rus. *гон*, *гнать*; Rus. *бат* 'baton' // *бом* 'pole for bogging fish' – *батать* // *бомать* 'beat, knock, scare the fish with stick blows on the water'.

30. Slavic \***leskati** (Bulg. dial. *л'оскам* 'hit, spank', Rus. dial. *лëскать* 'beat, whip, making noise, loud sounds', 'clap, crack a whip', voiced variant of Rus. dial. *лезгать* 'run', 'walk fast, spank in the mud'), \***I'askati** (Serbo-Croat. dial. *л'асками* 'clap', Pol. dial. *laskac'* 'clap', Rus. dial. *ляскать* 'click, knock', 'clap with a whip'), Slav. \***leščati** (Rus. dial. *лещать* 'clap, click, knock, splash', *лецить* 'beat wings in one place', *лециться* 'flutter, beat, throw up', 'play, splash'). ~ Chechen *liexka* // *läxka* 'drive, drive away, scare', Tush *лехкIа*" (1) 'drive, drive (herd)', *лехкIа*" (2) 'beat, wave (arms, legs)'. The form to *лахка* (see). Semantically cf. Rus. *гон*, *гнать*.

31. Rus. *лакать* 'crave', Czech *lakati* 'beckon, seduce', Pol. *laknac'* 'hungry, longing', Ukr. *лакомий* 'greedy, lustful'; OGreek *lao*, *loo*, *len* 'want', Afghan. *ло* 'desire' (Fasmer, 1967), PIE. \***lei-** : \***lai-** 'wish, want' (Dzhaukyan, 1963). ~ Chechen *lä'a* 'wish, want', Ing. *lä*, Tush *лаъа*". The protoform can be reconstructed as \**лакъан*. The change of stops *и* // *къ* is noted in the Nakh and Dagestan languages, cf. Chechen *даъар* 'food' ~ *докъар* 'feed', Tush *дакъар* 'food'; Chechen *тоъа* ~ Tush *тوكъа* 'to be sufficient'; Chechen *диъ* 'four' from *дикъ* (Udin. \**бикъв*, Tab. *йакъ-уб*).

32. Slavic \***ličiti** 'clean; tint, polish; whiten, peel off the top layer', \***ličati** 'to be bright, catchy; rub, wipe, rub': Bulg. dial. *лича* 'rub, wipe', Maked. *личи* 'paint, decorate', Slovene *ličiti* 'beautify, decorate, clean, polish', Czech. *ličiti* 'color, make up, paint', Rus. dial. *лычить* 'rip off a bast from a tree' and 'wash linen' (EDSL-16). ~ Chechen *lijča* 'bathe, wash', Tush *lič'a*" 'peel and cut off the skin', *leč'a*" 'clean'). From here, apparently, comes the etymologically dark Kab. *льэшиъын*, Adyg. *льэчъын* 'wipe, clean'.

33. Rus. *модеть* 'smolder, roam; dry slowly; become watery', dial. *измодеть* 'wasting away, becoming flabby, losing freshness; soften up', Slovenian. *madlo*, *mada* 'keeping fruits until fully ripe', *maditi*, *mediti* 'let fruits lie down so that they become soft and sweet' (= Chechen *мад-далийта*), L. *madeo*, *madere* 'be wet, ooze; soften', *madidus* 'soft, softened', PIE. \***mad-** 'moist; soft; soften' (Pokorny, 1959). ~ Chechen *mäd-d-alä* 'soften, become juicy (about fruits), ripen', Tush *мамIдала*" 'let (to) ripen, to ripen' (Kadagidze & Kadagidze, 1984). Formed with the help of the suffixoid gave (become, become) from the basis of adj. *мад-*, presented in Chechen *мëда* 'soft, juicy' (< *мади*").

34. Bel. dial. *мырчами* 'drizzle', Ukr. *мерча* 'small frequent rain', Rus. dial. *морок* 'cloud', *поморочныи* 'cloudy' (Makovskiy, 2004). ~ Chechen \***muoxka** // \***morka** 'pour out, overflow', Tush *махкI-ð-a*" 'spill, shed, scatter (grain)', Iter. *мехкI-ð-a*" 'spill, scatter' (Kadagidze & Kadagidze, 1984),

Ing. *мохкаде* ‘spill’, *сердал* *мохкаю* ‘pours light’, *доғI ламма* *мехкаду* ‘rain pours on the ground’, *дукx* *чIий* *мехкад* ‘shed a lot of blood’. On the alternation of the complexes *xk* / *pk* in the Chechen language, see above.

35. Rus. **порхать, вспорхнуть**; OE. fyr, ON. fur, Tokh. A por, Greek pyr, Arm. hur ‘fire’ (Makovsky, 2004). ~ Chechen **parx-alla** ‘adv. quickly jumping up, jumping up, taking off’, ‘fluttering’. A semi-onomatopoeic word formed by the addition of interjectional *napx* and *аълла* ‘having said’, literally ‘having said *napx*, making (sound) *napx*’. Commonly used in combination with the verb *кхоссадала* ‘jump’. Close in meaning to Archin *parx-bos*, Lak *parx-t'un* ‘take off’, Abkh. *prə*, Ubykh *pərə* ‘fly’, Udin *pur-pesun* ‘fly’, Lak *parx* *учин* ‘flutter’ (Khajdakov, 1973), Dargva Megeb *parx*, Cudakh. *пяр*, Avar. *nipri* *nipxu* ‘lightning’, Andy, Akhv, Botl. God. *nipri*, Bagv. *пардар*, Gunz. *пыр* ‘lightning’. To the connection of meanings *lightning* ~ *fire* cf. Rus. *молния* ~ ON. *myln* ‘fire’.

36. Slovenian **saiguot** ‘flicker’, Ltsh. saiguoties ‘shine’, Skt. soka, Iran. \*sauk ‘burn’, Avest. saok, Toh. B tsak-, Avest. saok, Sog. sok, Parf. sok, Hotanosak. sujs, Osset. \*sugyn ‘burn’, PIE. \*seg- ‘burn’. ~ Chechen **saga** ‘light up, shine, flare up’, Iter. **siega** ‘shine, radiate’, Ing. *saga* ‘ignite’, Buduh. *сүгү* ‘burn’, *сүгар* ‘burn’. Related to Chechen *согар* / (*c*)*тогар* ‘lamp’. Interesting resemblance to Germ. *sengen* ‘burn’, which is related to PIE root \*sek- ‘cut, carve’ (Makovsky, 2004).

37. Rus. **сесть, садиться**, Lat. sedeo, sedare ‘sit; sit deeply, sit down; settle, sit down; to creep along the ground (about plants); calm down, lie down’, E. set ‘sit down, set about the sun; warp’, sit, sat ‘sit, plant, place’. ~ Chechen **satta** ‘bent down, bend over; to bend, to bend; settle down, sink down’, Iter. *sietta*, bat *sietuo* ‘twist your mouth, warp’, trans. *sattuo*. The direction of the search is given *хъала ма камма хьо* ‘so that you don't straighten up’, ‘so that you don't straighten up’, *хъалий-уохъий сиетта* ‘to bend over; squat’, indicating that the meanings of ‘stand up-sit down’ evolve from the meanings of ‘straight up ~ bend over’. On the semantics of ‘settle, sag’ cf. also E. setter, saddle, G. *sattel* ‘saddle’; saddle’, Rus. *седло*, *седловина*. In terms of word formation, the causative forms *саммайан* ‘bend, bend’ and *сиеттиан* ‘bend’, are indicative, identical in form to Germ. \**satjan* ‘sit down’ (OE. *sattan*, AS. *sattian*), \**setjan* ‘sit down’ (OE. *settan*, AS. *settian*). Causative Suf. -jan in both groups of languages (Germanic and Nakh) goes back to the verb *jan* ‘do’, with another class indicator d- present in Nakh dan ‘do’, Germ. \**don* ‘do’ (< \**dan*).

38. Rus. **смотреть, смотря, мотреть** / Tulsk./, Bulg. *смотра* ‘I think’, *мотря* ‘I look’, Serbo-Croat. *mòtriti* ‘look, think’, Lith. *matyti* ‘look’, *mintis* ‘thought’, Ltsh. *matù* ‘feel’, *matit* ‘notice, feel’, PIE. \***mentos** ‘think, believe, imagine’, \***mat-** ‘feel, sense’: Skrt. *mata* ‘considered, supposed, thought (meaning)’, Goth. *munds* ~ ditto, L. (com)mentus ‘invented’ (Fasmer, 1967; EDSL-2) ~ Chechen **муотта** ‘think, believe, seem, imagine’, Tush *momma*“. Initial **матта**“ form is confidently restored on the basis of the Chechen dial. *мемташ* ‘thinking’ (< *мамм-ии*), akk. *маммаделна* ‘having appeared’, *маммаргана* ‘for appearance’ (Arsakhanov, 1959). It is interesting to note that the element *-p-* in Slav. forms reminiscent of Chechen suf. *масдара* *-p* in *муоттар* ‘thinking, representation’, which finds an analogy in a Slav. \**зеп-ати* ‘vizirать’ ~ Nakh \**зиер* ‘look’ from *зиен* ‘look, see, inspect’.

39. Rus. **судить** ‘make a judgment’, **рас-судить, рассудждать**, Lat. *studere* ‘study carefully’, *studium* ‘attention, study’, Italian *studiare* ‘study, examine, investigate’, ON. *thyda* ‘explain, designate’, OE. *ge-thiedan* ‘translate’, OHG. *diuten* ‘explain, translate’, Skrt. *didheti* ‘observe, think, meditate’, Afg.

**дари** *дидах* ‘observe, see’. ~ Chechen **tida** ‘interpret, explain, elucidate’ (dial. *myða*, Tush *mumIan* ‘cut, decide’), **tidam** ‘observation, attention’, **tidam ban** ‘observe, notice’. Etymologically related to Chechen *mueda* ‘cut’ > ‘disassemble (in all details), analyze (in great detail)’ > ‘explain’, Hurry *tid-* ‘divide, distribute’, Urartu *did-* ‘divide, separate’, *didaie* ‘share’ (Dzhaukyan, 1963), ON. *tidh*, OE. *tid*, *nider*. *tijd* ‘time’ < ‘notch’, OE. *tīdan*, *getīdan* ‘to happen’ < ‘to occur in time’, PIE. \***teud** ‘cut’ (EngEtym. 493; Makovsky, 2004).

40. OCS. **sysati** ‘hiss’, Bulg. *cucam*, Slovenian *susati* ‘suspect’ < ‘hiss, grumble, grumble (behind the eyes), OHG. *suson* ‘hiss, buzz’, Germ. *sausen* ‘make noise, whistle’, Munj. *šiš* ‘light’, Skrt. *śvas-* ‘breathe, puff’, PIE. \***saus-** // \***seus-** // \***sus-** (Abaev, II 381; Edelman, 1986). ~ Nakh \***sausən**, iter. \***sijsən**: Chechen **sovsa** ‘взбиться, всучиться, подойти (о тесте), закваситься; надуться’, Tush *canca<sup>h</sup>*, Chechen iter. **sijsa** ‘fluff up, swell up, come up (about the dough), leaven; pout’, Tush *cenga<sup>h</sup>* ‘pout; rise (about the dough)’ (Kadagidze & Kadagidze, 1984).

41. Rus. \***maсити** ‘force to get better’, Czech *otaviti se* ‘get better’ (Shansky, 1965), Skrt. *tavīti* ‘he is strong’, *tāviṣi* ‘strength, power’, PIE. \***teu-** // \***tou-** ‘gain strength, grow fat’, ‘swell up’ (Makovsky, 2004). ~ Chechen **tāvan** // **tuōvan** ‘correct; heal’, **tāvala** // **tuōvala** ‘be healed, get better, become better’. The addition of the stems of *mā<sup>h</sup>* ‘please; go for the future’ and *ea<sup>h</sup>* ‘make’ // *vara* ‘become’. The variant *myōva<sup>h</sup>*, most likely, appeared as a result of the labialization of the root vowel *ā* (*māva<sup>h</sup>* > *mōva<sup>h</sup>* > *myōva<sup>h</sup>*). Bringing together with Chechen *tov* в *tovbūy* ‘otava’, Osser. *taw* ‘otava’, Ukr. *omaeva*, Lith. *atolas* ‘otava’ (cf. Chechen *tyologo* ‘getting better’). Through Chechen **туйан** // **тāyan** ‘put in order, repair, correct; heal, cure’ OE. **tawian** ‘cook’ (E. *taw*) can be attributed to the same group of words, Goth. **tewa** ‘order’, **tewjan** ‘put in order’, **taujan** ‘do’. Phonetically cf. Chechen *guo* ‘circle, circumference’ (< \**gau*) with Goth. *gaw* ‘county’, OHG. *gawa*, G. *Gau* ‘district, region’.

42. Rus. **тискать, втискивать**, Slovak. *tiskat'* ‘push, forge, press’, Slavic \**tiskati* (Fasmer, 1973). ~ Chechen iter. **d-ixka** ‘squeeze in, stick in, stuff’ (Ing. *dixka*, Tush *debla<sup>h</sup>*), pl. *douxka* ‘put in, squeeze in’. The sound complex *xk* of the Nakh languages in Indo-European languages sometimes corresponds to *-sk-*, cf. also Nakh *laxka* / *liexka* ‘drive, making noise (shouts, blows)’ ~ Slav. \***l'askati** / \***leskati**, Rus. dial. *лёскать* ‘beat, whip, making noise’, *ляснуть* ‘hit hard, click’, ‘rush to run’; Nakh **vexka** ‘tie up’ ~ Skrt. *veskas* ‘strangling noose’, OHG. *wisk* ‘straw tow’.

43. Rus. **торкать** ‘толкать, колотить’, **торчать**, Bel. **торкать** ‘poke, push’, Ukr. **торкати** ‘touch, push’, Slovak *trčati* ‘poke’, *strčiť* ‘push, stick’ (Fasmer, 1971) ~ Chechen **d-uoxka** // **d-uorka** ‘pl. stick in; push, sell’.

44. Rus.-Church Slavic **хабити**, Rus. **хабить** ‘spoil’, *yxaō* ‘roughness on the road’ < *yhabitъ* ‘make the road uneven, travel, slash’, Ukr. *oxabimti* ‘destroy, spoil’, Bulg. **хабя** ‘damage’, Czech *ochabiti* ‘deprive of strength’, *ochabnouti* ‘become sluggish’, *chaby* ‘sluggish, cowardly’, Pol. *chaba* ‘nag’ (Fasmer, 1973). ~ Chechen **xaba** ‘wrinkle, shrink, shrink, curl’, Ing. *xoba*. Getting closer to Karat. *ххвабалъа* ‘reduce, tighten; wrinkle; gather (fabric)’, *ххвабо-б* ‘wrinkled’. The Nakh material speaks in favor of the deviated connection with Rus. *хабитъ* с *хибать*, cf. Chechen *xaba* ~ iter. *xieba*.

45. Rus. **хибать** ‘swing, shake’, *хибина* ‘fold, wrinkle’, Ukr. *хибати*, Czech *chybati* ‘doubt, hesitate’, Slovak *chybit'* ‘err, make a mistake’, Pol. *chybac* ‘sway’. ~ Chechen *umeq*. **xieba** ‘wrinkle,

shrink, shrivel’, *xiebar-š* ‘wrinkles’. Semantic differences are within the limits of explainable: ‘bend, deviate (from the norm)’ > 1. ‘curvature, fold, wrinkle’, 2. ‘retreat, error’, 3. ‘hesitation, doubt’.

46. Rus. **похилый** ‘inclined, bent’, **хилить**, Ukr. *хилити*, *хило* ‘bend’, *хилитися* ‘bend down’, *відхилити(ся)*, ‘reject, move away’, *ухилити(ся)* ‘evade’, Pol. *pochyły* ‘oblique, sloping’, *chylic* ‘tilt’ (Fasmer, 1973). ~ Chechen *xila* ‘be; happen; turn out; become, ripen’, Tush *xil'a"*. The etymological meaning of the word ‘grow, branch off, deviate’ is still felt in prefixes like *d?a-xila* ‘move away’, *d?axiluo* ‘move away’. Vasmer also refers Rus. *хилый* ‘weak’, but the corresponding Chechen *ghijla* ‘frail, weak’ (<*ghiel"*) is not related to Chechen *xila*, *d?a-xila*.

47. Rus. **хинъкать** ‘whine, cry, act up’, *хныкать*, Ukr. *хникати* (Fasmer, 1973) ~ Chechen **xink** ‘sob, hiccup’, **xink'aš jāxa** ‘hiccup, sob’, lit. ‘make *хинъки*’. An onomatopoeic word present in Dagestan (Avar *хIинкъи* ‘fear, fright’, *гIанкI* ‘hare’, Gin. *хIинкъи*, Bezht. *гъинкъи*, Cez. *хIинкъи*, Khin. *ыихъ* ‘fear’ and Slavic languages: Rus. *икать*, *заика*, Bulg. *икам* ‘I hiccup’, UL *hikać*, LS *hykaś* ‘hiccup’ (Fasmer, 1973). The concepts of ‘hiccup, stutter’ and ‘be scared, be afraid; hare’ are often interrelated, cf. Rus. *зайка* ~ *заика*, Lezg. *qquir* ‘hare’ ~ Chechen *qiera* ‘be afraid’.

48. Rus. **ховать** ‘hide, store’, Ukr. *ховати*, Czech *chovati* ‘hide, keep, nurse’, Pol. *chowac* ‘hide, store, feed’ (Fasmer, 1973). ~ Chechen **xo'a** ‘fit in’. Considering the alternation *x* / *c* in the stems of the Slavic languages, we also include here the etymologically dark Rus. *совать*, Bulg. *сóвам* ‘I put it in’, Czech *souvati* ‘move, poke’; Lith. *šauti*, *šáuju*, *šóviau* ‘put (bread in the oven)’ (Fasmer, 1971). Cf. also exchange *x* : *c* from Chechen *оихка* ‘poke, stick in’ = Rus. *втискиватъ*, Chechen *xuema*, *xuemar* ‘feel, believe’ (Rus. *xomemъ*) ~ Lat. *sentio*, *sentire* ‘feel; believe’, and to the interruption *ъ* : *ε* Chechen *гаъ* ‘thigh, croup’ ~ Georgian *გავა* ~ id.

49. Greek **xassio** ‘I patch, shoemaker’ (Attic. *xatt-*), *xassimo* ‘repair’, Rus. **хитить**, **хватить**, **хватать**, **хват**, **захват** ‘place of connection’, *neprehvatitъ* ‘make narrower in one place, squeeze’, *neprehvat* ‘narrowed place of a thing; waist, part of the body in the lower back where the waist narrows’ (Fasmer, 1973) ~ Chechen *xuotta* ‘connect, dock’ (Tush *xoTlIa"*), iter. **xitta** ‘connect, link, glue’ (Tush *xemImIa"*), *xamm* ‘waist; assembly at the waist’, *xyommarii* ‘joints’.

50. Rus. **прыскать**, Pol. *pryskac* ‘splash; scatter (with a bang)’, Latv. *prušluot* ‘snort, sniff’, prauslat ‘splash, snort’, OIce. *frysa* ‘snort’, Swedish *frusa* ‘splash’, Skrt. *prusyati* ‘splashes’, Tokh. A *pars-* ‘spray; motley’, Tokh. B *praççiye* ‘downpour’, Hitt. *pappars* ‘wet; spray’ (Fasmer, 1971). ~ Chechen **härsa** ‘sprinkle’ (< \**pharsan*), iter. **hiersa** (< \**phiersan*). Related to Skrt. *prṣni* ‘variegated, spotted’, *prṣṇat* ‘spotted, splashed’, Persian *pars*, *fars* ‘panther’, Hittite *parš-anā* ‘motley’, ‘leopard’, PIE. \***phers-** ‘variegated, spotted’ (Fasmer, 1971). ~ Chechen *härsa* (< \**pharsi*) ‘blond’, ‘red’, *ḥorsam* ‘sneeze’.

51. Rus. **чихать**, **начхать**, Ukr. *чихати*, OHG. *sciuhēn* ‘frighten’, MHG. *sciech* ‘timid’ (Fasmer, 1973) ~ Chechen **čiexuo** ‘scold, shush’, derived from suf. *-yo* from the related stem *čiexā*, represented in iter. *t'e-čiexā* ‘scold, shout’. The form is represented in **čovxo** ‘scorch, tar; scare, shout’. Derivative with suf. *-yo* from stem *čovxa* (*t'e-čovxa*), corresponding to Rus. *чох*, *недо-чох*, *чох-атъ* ‘puke, tear’, *чохнуть* ‘splash’.

## 7. Conclusion

Summing up the results, it can be concluded that more than 100 lexical parallels between the Russian and Chechen languages have been identified, among which are **verbs of sounding** (*адать, баять, велеть, вякать / векать, бекать, декать, dial. гыргать ‘греметь’, дохать «кашлять», хвастать*), **verbs of labor activity** (*брать, бутить, валить, добать, деребать, доить, драть, ударять, \*dъrdati, калить, латать, лелеять, лечить, лычить «сдирать кору», ляцать, радеть, стегать, стелить, тесать, честить*), **verbs of physical influence** (*бухнуть, бодать, дебеть, держать, кидать, дергать, ляснуть «ударить», лёскать, (o)тавить, тискать, хабить «портить», хитить / хватать*), **verbs of motion** (*бавить, гряду / грести, двигать, дргать «дрожать», ёрзать / вёрзаться, ехать, искать, \*лызать «скользить, кататься по льду», порхать, садиться, торкать «толкать», хибать «качать», хилить «нагибать», ховать / совать*), **verbs of sense perception** (*десить «встречать», зеть «смотреть», лакать «жаждать», смотреть, судить / рассуждать, чту // по-читать*), **onomatopoeic verbs** (*хинкать «хныкать», прыскать, сысати «шипеть», чихать*), and **verbs “varia”** (*бажать, бухнуть, \*гирати «кутить», дргать «дрожать», киснуть, квасить, модеть, мырчати «моросять»*).

Regular sound correspondences, similar root ablaut (*квасить – кхавса, киснуть – кхииса*), (sour – khavsa, sour – khisisa), correspondences in class verbs, general semantic patterns, relations of additional distribution of some bases, and the number of verb parallels indicate the affinity of the Russian and Chechen languages. The conclusion that “from the point of view of comparative historical linguistics, Chechen and Russian languages are one of the most distant in origin” is recognized as untenable, as well as the statement that “Russian belongs to the Slavic branch of the Indo-European language family. Chechen is included in the Nakh-Dagestan language family, the classification position of which is debatable. The famous linguist, Sergei Starostin, included the Nakh-Dagestan languages in the North Caucasian superfamily, which, in turn, is included in the Sino-Caucasian macrofamily. These languages, according to linguists, have nothing in common with Indo-Europeans even at the level of a hypothetical Eurasian family that split 15 thousand years ago. Thus, if the Chechen and Russian languages had common ancestral languages, they existed even earlier.”

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