# CLD: Software for analysis of Anishinaabemowin texts and recordings

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### **CLD Overview**

- Preliminary report on software under development
  - Computational Language Documentation/Description
  - Design strategy: develop by using to analyze Anishinaabemowin
- Intended uses/extensions:
  - language instruction
  - language technology
  - linguistic studies

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## A published text

'mbe, mii sa ivri aanii giiyeN gonaa da gii zhi-anishinaabekaaning iiovewok ji gichi mashkowazivaat gaawiin go wiikaa miinaawaa daa zhiwebasinoo lwi, owo ikwe iidik ji gichi mashkowazit, ooshame go ji mashkowazit, nini dash gichi noondaach ikwewok da piichiirwiwok ge nibimaadiridjik.

gii kidawon dash giiyeN maaba oshkinowe newe.

aaniish miidash gonaa gaye gaa bizhiwindawaawaagowe N gewe gaa dibaadjimagik gichi miigwech gonaa gaa bazindawa yek.

#### anishinaabe waabshkibinesiwon gaa debinaadjin

miidash go owo dash go waa dibaadjimak, oshkiniigish maaba, gii nowiigiizi gonaa iwi oshkiniigit. yaawaa sa maaba anishinaabeNs, aapidji gonaa (doo) gaachiiwiban ginimaa gave gonaa ngodwaaswi (doo) sabiboonigizigoban, ginimaa gave gonaa niizhwaaswi (doo) sabiboonigizigoban, mii ninda niikigoon maaba oshkiniigish gii nibowonit, bezhik dash giiyeN gonaa zhewe mindimooweN gonaa, geget gonaa ji kida vinggoban, mli iidik maaba gaa daapinaat newe, gaa inendang sa gonaa ji koginaapan ninda gwijwize Nson. (doo) nowiigiizi maaba. aaniish, miidash go gii miinind ninda gwijwizeNson wii ganawenimaat, aaniish, (doo) nowiigiizi sa maaba gwijwizeNs aaniish, mii sa go iwi gii ganawenimaat, miinawaa gave maaba oshkiniigish (400) wiidookowaat gonaa wiidji gwiiwizeNson, mii gonaa gewiin gegoo gaa oonji gikendang miinawaa gaye gonaa (doo) miinaa gaye gonaa mitigowaabiin gaye go bikwakooNsan gaye, (doo) wiikodjitoot gonaa gewiin wii bimodaakowet, anishinaabeNsak gonaa, mii gonaa gaa zhikinooma windowaa iwi, wii gwenaa kowewaat gonaa ninda mitigowashiin wii nakaazawaat miidash go maaba oshkiniigish iwi gaa zhiyaat go. miinawaa gapt gii nitaa bagizo gaye, miinawaa gonaa (doo) googiit gaye, mii go e zhinomaafizit go niyii dash ko ndoo zhiwaabidaan iwi ziibiing niyiin, mitigoo Nson gonaa, memdigt go naasaap go naanigodinong jiigi ziibi, miidash ko iidik zhewe naamiyiing fii mookiset aapidii dash giiyeN go gibeying ko gii nonaadizi. miidash gwonda gal inendamawaat gwonda aanind begizodjik

oloy, that state of the strong among the Anishinaabe people. That will never happen, ever again, that a woman will be that strong, and stronger than a man. The women from now on will not be as strong as that of a man."

This what the big man said in the presence of this younger man.
Well, this is what must have befell these people I am talking about, that is, the
high man's words came to pass. Thank you very much for listening to me.

#### The Man Who Caught the White Eagle

this young man I am going to talk about now, he was orphaned as a child. This young man was very small, maybe he was six or seven years old when his parents that So there was an older woman in the community who decided to raise this young still ather own. This child was an orphan. So this older woman was given the child as pise as her own. And so she raised this orphaned child. And as this child great up. he played with the other children, and this is how he learned to do divingo tipe were especied of him. Someone gave him a small bow and some arrows so be could learn how to shoot an arrow and hit a target. This is what the young boys of the time were taight, they had to know how to shoot an arrow using a how. And this young you leaned to use a bow and an arrow. And this boy learned quickly and easily Alos this by learned to swim very well, he was an excellent swimmer. Also when he went much water, it seemed he could go under for a long-long-time. I used to see the mediand shrubs along the river, and this young how apparently would swim is aid hile among those rends and busines that grow along the twee And he would be gone faring periods of time when he went under And the other people who would be minming there as well they were awed by this feat.

### A text



### The Man Who Caught the White Eagle pp.164-165

Author: Howard Webkamigad Language: otw

Orthography: default

### Text

- gaawiin sa wiyii niiniin owo ogimaakwenhs ginigenh ndaa ganawaabimigoosii.
- gaawiin niyii gonaa e zhidiniwaat gonaa gwonda oshkinowek e + edit igt X niikozidjik, gaawiin niiniin iwi ndoo zhiyaasii.
- 2 pane gonaa maanda bigikendamaanh gonaa ndoo bigidimaagiz.
- 3 aaniish, aanowi go ggji nitaawigish.

+ edit igt X

+ edit igt X

# Entering new text

```
miinagoom."
   aanish, mii sa iwi gii shkwaa danaandigidoong gewiin maaba sa 🕂 edit igt 🗵
   mindimoowenh.
10 aanish, noomak go dash maaba oshkinowe go bekaa go gii yaa. 🕂 edit igt X
   gaawiin go wewiip go gii ganoonaasiin.
11
               Cancel
     Commit
```

# Romanization example: Salish

l\*u pu\*ti skw'kw'i\*m'lt u esm'emscu\*|
łu púti skw'kw'ímlt u esmemscú

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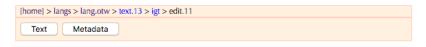
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#### Text

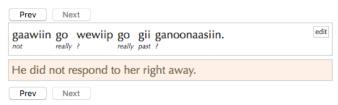
0	"gaawiin sa wiyii niiniin owo ogimaakwenhs ginigenh ndaa ganawaabimigoosii.	+ edit igt X	"Oh, that daughter of the chief would not even I upon me.
1	gaawiin niyii gonaa e zhidiniwaat gonaa gwonda oshkinowek e niikozidjik, gaawiin niiniin iwi ndoo zhiya	+ edit igt X	I am not well off as the young men who have pa
2	pane gonaa maanda bigikendamaanh gonaa ndoo bigidimaagiz.	+ edit igt X	For as long as I can remember, I have always be
3	aaniish, aanowi go ggii nitaawigish.	+ edit igt X	However, you did raise me well.
4	aaniish, nonggom dash mii gonaa bidjiinak gowekotaa yaanh gonaa ji zhitoo yaanhmbaan gonaa geniin ge naka niin gonaa geniin."	+ edit igt X aza yaanh,	And now I am getting old enough so I can begir myself and make the things for myself that I will

# Interlinear glossed text



## The Man Who Caught the White Eagle pp.164-165

### Paragraph 11



## Selecting a word





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### A similar word

## ganoonaasiin.0

Lexicon

edit goto conc X

edit

Senses: ganoonaasiin.0

Similar: Gaawiin.0 (aaniind.0) (baataashin.0) (baatiina.0) (daapinigaasiiwag.0) (ezhi-gindaaswinkaadeg.0) (gaa'iin.0) (gaawiin.0) (ganoonaan.0)

gigkenmaasiig.0 mayiingganon.0 mitigowaabiin.0 mitigowaakiing.0

oganoonaan.0 waakiing.0 wiigwaasmin.0 zhinonaadizit.0 zhiyaasii.0

ganoonaasiin.0

ganoonaan.0 edit goto conc X

gloss were silent

# Editing the lexical entry

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```

```
ganoonaasiin.0

gloss add field

gloss morph

variety
source
gloss were silent
```

# Morphology

zhinonaadizit.0 zhiyaasii.0

ganoonaasii	ganoonaasiin.0	
gloss	he was silent	
morph	ganoonaa siin	
= \$\circ\$ save	add field	
ganoonaan. gloss were		edit goto conc X

### Derived

```
edit goto conc X
ganoonaasiin.0
gloss he was silent
morph ganoonaa.0 siin.0
                                                    edit goto conc X
ganoonaan.0
gloss were silent
morph ganoonaa.0 n.0
                                                    edit goto conc X
ganoonaa.0
derived ganoonaan.0 ganoonaasiin.0
```

# "Morphology" broadly understood



### The Man Who Caught the White Eagle pp.160-163

### Paragraph 1



miidash.0

### Concordance

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### Concordance: ganoonaan.0

miidash giiyenh maaba oshkinowe gaa inaat newe, wiikaa gonaa baamaampii gii <mark>ganoonaan</mark> maaba oshkinowe newe gashiwon gonaa ndaa kid gonaa, aaniish, mii newe gaa nitaaginigodiin.

wiikaa dash giiyenh go maaba mindimooyenh miinawaa gii ganoonaan newe gwisison.

So this young man replied to this old woman, wh mother, he replied to her after a long silence, as the raised him.

Again, there was a long silence between them, th spoke to her son.

# Finishing the example



### The Man Who Caught the White Eagle pp.164-165



### Variant forms

```
edit goto conc X
oshkinowek.0
gloss
         young men
morph oshkinowe.0 k.0
variants shkiniweg.0
k.0
                                                     edit goto conc X
          ag.0
=
derived dibaadjimak.0 oshkinowek.0
                                                     edit goto conc X
ag.0
gloss
         pl.
variants k.0 ok.0 ik.0
derived gokomisag.0 zhigosag.0 nimoshag.0 Anishinaabeg.0
          mandaaminag.0 wesiinhsag.0 mindimoyag.0
          Wemitigozhag.0 makakiiag.0 oosag.0 daabanag.0
```

## Lexicon

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Lexicon otw		
Form:		
Gloss: carrot		
Submit		

# Search by gloss

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Texts Search Browse	
Gloss carrot	
carrot	Lexicon
Senses:	
Glosses: 'arrow' [bikwakoo.0] 'carrot' [zaawajjisens.0] 'carrot [bikwakoonhs.0]	s' zaawajiisensan.0 'little arrow'
zaawajiisens.0 gloss carrot morph zaawa.0 jiis.0 ens.0 derived zaawajiisensan.0	edit goto conc X
jiis.0 gloss sweet potato derived jiisan.0 zaawajiisens.0	edit goto conc X
ens.0 glos dimin. variants enhs.0 derived baganens.0 zaawajiisens.0 binoojiins.0 gazhige	edit goto conc X

# Soft search by form

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Texts Search Browse	

## Form shkin

#### Senses:

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Similar: oshki.0 oshkini.0 oshkini.0 oshkiniigish.0 oshkiniigit.0 oshkinowe.0 oshkinowek.0 oshkinowewidik.0 shing.0 shkiiaank.0 shkiiaankwaad.0 shkiigamin.0 shkiigaminan.0 shkiniigish.0 shkiniigishag.0 shkiniikwe.0 shkiniikweg.0 shkiniwe.0 shkiniweg.0 shkiniigikwewid.0
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### Browse lexicon

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A B C D E F G H I I K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z	

### a

- Aanish
- Aate
- Aijaangwaamizin
- Ambe
- Anishinaabe
- Anishinaabeg
- a'aw
- aabdeg
- aabueaabe
- aabo
- <u>uubb</u>
- aadigaat
- aagim
- aagonetawa



## **Audio Transcription**



## Translation units

16: 0-19

- aanish aanish
- ் வார் mii sa iw zhigwa
- ы птааwginaad ка ntaawginaad
- gii bi-kognaad wa mindimooyenh \T
- mii sa iw gmaapiich

## Resulting text with translation



### Nenabosho Steals Fire (Manitoulin version)

Author: William Jones; Alvin Ted Corbiere; Alan Corbiere; Lewis Debassige; Evelyn Roy Language: otw Orthography: default

#### Text

- aanish mii sa iw zhigwa ka ntaawginaad gii bi-kognaad wa So accordingly then did the old woman br mindimooyenh mii sa iw gmaapiich gii-naan niwi ookmisan: "Gaawiin na audio igt ngoji anishinaabeg gigkenmaasiig ji-yaawaad?" audio igt
  - "Enh," gii-igoon niwi ookmisan. "Oodi gaami- gchigami

# Language instruction

- Complement to immersion
  - Home practice
  - Learners with limited access to fluent speakers
  - Already supports immersion-style self-teaching
- Add drill component
  - Avoiding translation-itis: images as prompts when possible
- Better integration of audio and video
  - Subtitles
  - Links to audio, video from text passages and lexical entries

# Grammatical component

- "How you say it"
  - Not just Anishinaabemowin words in an English sentence
  - "Mir war unwohl dabei" = "I felt uneasy about it", lit., to-me it-was uneasy there-by
- Generalizing over multiple languages
- Making it easier to enter grammatical info

### Grammar

```
root -> !adjp adjp
root -> !np np
root -> !num num
root -> s
root -> aux[N,V] np[N] vp[V]
root -> np[wh:+] aux[N,V] np[N] vp[V,np]

np[N,W] -> n3[N,W] comma cadjp comma
np[pl] -> n3 conj n3
np[N,W] -> n3[N,W]
```

# Conversational agent

```
> all humans are mortal
OK
> Socrates is human
OK
> is Socrates mortal
yes
> who is mortal
Socrates
> dogs are not human
OΚ
> Fido is a dog
OK
> is Fido human
no
```

# Summary

- Software in progress
- Avoiding strong assumptions about particular linguistic approaches
- Robustness to what happens in real texts and recordings
- Importance of working with users to make it responsive to real needs
- Open source, freely available