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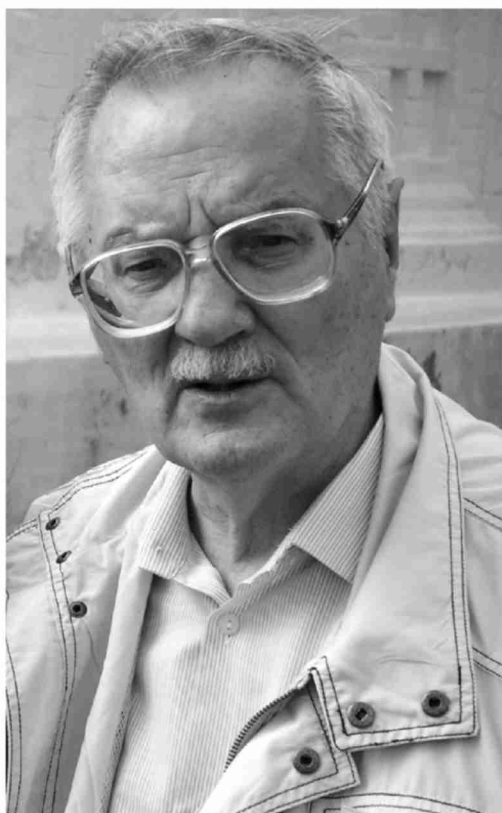


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During the last decades, we have witnessed an explosion-like increase in typological research. Unfortunately, Turkic language material, with the exception of Turkish, has been used in it very insufficiently. Vladimir Petrovič Nedjalkov was a pleasant, though rare, exception to this rule. In his research, he constantly applied material from various Turkic languages beside dozens of languages of other language systems and other genetic affiliation. Therefore his untimely death on the 21st of July, 2009, is also a great loss for Turcology and Altaistics in general.

Vladimir Nedjalkov was born on the 4th of January in 1928 in Odessa. His father was in the army. In 1946, he entered the Faculty of the German Language of the Moscow Institute of Foreign Languages named after M. Torez (at present, the Moscow State Linguistic University).

He graduated from the Institute in 1950, and taught German, first at the Stavropol' Institute of Foreign Languages, then at the Pjatigorsk Institute of Foreign Languages; he also taught German in a primary school. His first academic supervisor was Igor' Evgen'evič Aničkov (1897-1978), a linguist and theologian, with whom Nedjalkov worked together from 1950 to 1953 in Stavropol'. Many years later, Nedjalkov paid tribute to the memory of his teacher and prepared a posthumous edition of his scientific legacy (Aničkov, I. E. *Trudy po jazykoznaniju*. Sankt-Peterburg: Nauka, 1977. 510 pages).

In 1959, Nedjalkov became a post-graduate student (*aspirant*) at the Chair of German Philology of the Leningrad Pedagogical Institute named after A. I. Herzen. There, his supervisor was a well-known specialist in Germanic studies and General Linguistics, V. G. Admoni. In 1961, Nedjalkov defended his candidate dissertation "Semantic groups of German verbs with the components *aus-*, *heraus-*, *hinaus-*". That same year he became a researcher at the Leningrad Division of the Institute of Linguistics of the USSR Academy of Sciences (at present the Institute of Linguistic Research of the Russian Academy). Vladimir Nedjalkov's scientific career was connected with the Institute of Linguistic Research all his life and remained its leading researcher up until his last days. In 1971, he defended his doctoral thesis "Causative constructions in German. The analytical causative" (published as *Kausativnye konstrukcii v nemeckom jazyke. Analitičeskij kausativ*. Leningrad: Nauka, 1971). In 1976, this book was translated into German (*Kausativkonstruktionen*. Tübingen: Gunter Narr Verlag [Studien zur deutschen Grammatik, 4]).

The scientific heritage of Vladimir Nedjalkov consists of almost 190 publications. His first scientific works dealt with the methods of second language teaching in primary school. Later, he described German verbal prefixes. All in all, he published about thirty scientific works on Germanic languages. However, it is his work on language typology that brought him world-wide recognition.

Vladimir Nedjalkov was a bright representative of the Saint-Petersburg school of Language Typology founded by Alexandr Alekseevič Xolodovič (1906-1977). On the 1st of April 1961, the Group of Structural and Typological Study of Languages started its work under his leadership at the Leningrad Division of the Institute of Linguistics of the USSR Academy of Sciences. At present, it is the Laboratory of the

Structural and Typological Study of Languages at the Institute of Linguistic Research of the Russian Academy.

Vladimir Nedjalkov and Viktor Xrakovskij, who is the head of the Laboratory now, were the first researchers who entered the Typology Group. The past decades witnessed interesting and fruitful research work that resulted in the publication of a series of individual and collective monographs that were consistently received with great interest by the Russian and international scientific communities. In the first place, we should mention the following books: *Tipologija kauzativnyx konstrukcij* (1969), *Tipologija passivnyx konstrukcij* (1974), *Tipologija resul'tativnyx konstrukcij* (1983), *Tipologija iterativnyx konstrukcij* (1989), *Tipologija imperativnyx konstrukcij* (1992), *Tipologija uslovnnyx konstrukcij* (1998), *Tipologija ustupitel'nyx konstrukcij* (2004), *Reciprocal constructions* (2007), *Tipologija taxisnyx konstrukcij* (2009). Four of these books have been translated into English and become accessible to a broader international public: *Typology of resultative constructions* (1988), *Typology of Iterative constructions* (1997), *Typology of imperative constructions* (2001), *Typology of conditional constructions* (2006). These books represent a complex of typological views on the basic verb categories that impact language syntax and are reflected in syntactic structures of diverse languages spoken on all the continents of our planet.

The work in the Typology Group of Xolodovič-Xrakovskij shifted the scientific interests of Vladimir Nedjalkov. Among his new linguistic objects, the Chukchi language gained first place with twenty-four publications, Nivkh, the second with eight publications, was followed by Evenki, Georgian, Abkhaz, Lithuanian, and other languages. Among the Turkic languages, Karachay-Balkar and Yakut were of special interest to him. All in all, he published over 70 typological works.

Although Vladimir Nedjalkov participated in the cooperative work of the Typology Group, he developed his own direction in typological research on verb categories. The most characteristic feature of his scientific approach was very thorough examination of the language material, obligatory interviews of language informants, and research on a broad range of language means that can render the semantic category under study. This work resulted in very detailed classifications of grammatical categories. He considered his informants to be his coauthors, and therefore we see his informants as the coauthors of his articles on Chukchi, Nivkh, Abkhaz, Georgian, Mongol, etc., although it was he who formulated the main content of these publications. He had quite a number of cooperative publications also with his spouse Prof. Emma Geniušienė, who is a native speaker of Lithuanian and has dealt extensively with the category of reflexive. The scientific approach described above is Nedjalkov's "trademark": you can trace it in practically all his publications, and in publications of his students from whom he always demanded ingenuity and exhaustiveness of linguistic facts.

One of Vladimir Nedjalkov's most important and trendsetting contributions was the article on Nivkh taxis, coauthored with G. Otaina (1987). It is well known that Roman Jakobson, who is recognized as introducing the category of "taxis" in its

modern understanding in linguistics, based his research on this category in Nivkh converbial constructions, although he did not give Nivkh examples in his works. The article by Nedjalkov and Otaina, a native speaker of Nivkh, gave an exhaustive description of Nivkh taxis relations. Together with Otaina, Nedjalkov also investigated other Nivkh grammatical categories, those of causative constructions, verbal government, verbal derivation, etc. Similarly, Nedjalkov wrote a number of cooperative works on Chukchi together with a Chukchi native speaker, P. Inänlikej, continuing after the death of the latter together with other informants and colleagues. Thanks to these efforts, Chukchi became a typologically very important language. Similar scientific resonance was evoked by Nedjalkov's research on the morphology of the Turkic verb written on the Karachay-Balkar, Yakut and Kirgiz material. Here, we should mention his publications on the categories of causative passive, resultative, reciprocity, reflexivity, etc. These articles are especially interesting because of the typological comparisons conducted on a broad language material.

Nedjalkov's works were dedicated to various topics, mostly viewed from the typological angle. The most important issues under study were as follows:

- (1) causative constructions in various languages (27 publications);
- (2) ergative constructions, the category of anti-passive (5 publications);
- (3) reflexive constructions (9 publications);
- (4) reciprocal constructions (16 publications);
- (5) resultative constructions (15 publications);
- (6) constructions with predicative actants (5 publications);
- (7) inchoative constructions (5 publications);
- (8) converbs, taxis (12 publications);
- (9) aspect, tense, modality (11 publications).

Already this list, which is far from exhaustive, bears witness to the broad diversity of Nedjalkov's scientific research. During his last years, the most dominant points of interest were reflexive and reciprocal constructions. Vladimir Nedjalkov succeeded in completing his long-term work as the scientific supervisor and editor of the collective monograph *Reciprocal constructions* (Amsterdam & Philadelphia: Benjamins, 2007) that includes forty-four chapters on reciprocal constructions in various languages. These articles are preceded by his theoretical chapter *Typology of reciprocal expressions. Typological questionnaire*. Specialists on various languages and language groups (e.g. Indo-European languages, Australian and North American aboriginal languages, Paleoasiatic languages, Chinese, Japanese, etc.) both from Russia and from other countries including France, Germany, Japan, New Zealand, Holland, Brazil, etc. took part in this cooperative work. In this book, Nedjalkov was also either the sole author or one of the coauthors of twelve chapters on reciprocals in specific languages or language groups (Turkic, Tungusic, Mongol, Buryat, German, Nivkh, Chukchi, Ainu, Japanese, etc.).

Nedjalkov was also a member of the editorial or scientific boards of various scientific editions: (1) *Voprosy Jazykoznanija* (1988-1993); (2) *Studien zur deutschen Grammatik* (Tübingen; since 1992); (3) The London Oriental and African Language

Library (Amsterdam & Philadelphia: Benjamins, since 1994); (4) *Studies in Language* (Amsterdam & Philadelphia: Benjamins, since 1993); (5) *Languages of the World* (München: Lincom Europa, since 1993). From 1995 to 1999, he was a member of the Executive Committee of the Societas Linguistica Europaea. From 1990 to 1994, he was a member of the Scientific Consulting Board *Eurotyp* ("Typology of languages of Europe") in the framework of the Societas Linguistica Europaea (Strasbourg).

Nedjalkov read lectures on typology and on German syntax in various German universities (Oldenburg, Cologne, Bonn, Bremen, Bielefeld, and Freiburg). He participated in numerous scientific conferences in Russia (Moscow, Saint Petersburg, Novosibirsk) and abroad (Tallinn, Cologne, Bucharest, Bologna, Kobe, Vitoria-Gasteiz, Tsukuba, etc.).

Nedjalkov also supervised thirteen candidate and three doctoral dissertations.

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