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On the position of Kujarke within Chadic

Dedicated to the memory of Professor Andrzej Zaborski

Abstract

In the article the affiliation of Kujarke in genealogical classification is discussed. The Kujarke language is an isolate from Chad-Sudan neighborhood, described by the anthropologist Doornbos in 1981 (partially published in 1983). The present study operates with all c. 200 lexemes collected by Doornbos and evaluates their affinities in neighboring languages classified as Chadic and Nilo-Saharan. It is possible to conclude that Kujarke probably represents an independent group of East Chadic branch. From the neighboring Nilo-Saharan languages the strongest influence was identified from the Fur family.

Keywords

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Kujarke (or Kujarge) was a language spoken by c. 1000 speakers in seven villages near Jebel Mirra in eastern Chad and also in several Sudanese villages along the lower Wadi Salih and Wadi Azum in 1981, i.e. in the time when it was described by Paul Doornbos (Doornbos & Bender 1983, 59). The language was classified as East Chadic by Paul Newman who connected it with the Mubi group (p.c. 1979 apud Doornbos & Bender 1983, 76). According to Bender, the glottonym Birgit used by Newman (1977, 6) is in reality Kujarke. In the present study the lexical data of Kujarke collected and published by Doornbos, 86 lexemes, plus his unpublished data, together c. 200 lexical units, mediated to the present authors by the chain consisting of Paul Whitehouse, Roger Blench and Harald Hammarström, were compared with all well-described East Chadic languages and occasionally with other Chadic or Afroasiatic languages. There

are specific isoglosses connecting Kujarke with all East Chadic groups. This result does not confirm the affiliation of Kujarke into the Mubi group, although the easternmost member of the Mubi group, Kajakse, is geographically closest from Kujarke (*c.* 120 km). Bender offered the following scenarios: Kujarke may be (i) a Chadic variety heavily influenced by other languages, (ii) a non-Chadic language with influence from Chadic neighbours, (iii) a hybrid (Doornbos & Bender 1983, 76). With respect to a minorite share of Nilo-Saharan parallels in comparison with the dominant share of East Chadic parallels which apparently do not reflect any recent loans, it is possible to conclude the solution (i) is most promising. Kujarke probably represents an independent group of East Chadic branch, perhaps with a closer relation, genetic or areal, to the Dangla-Mubi super-group (the same conclusion was formulated by Lovestrånd 2012). Remarkable, although sporadic, links to Omotic, Cushitic or Berber, confirm an archaic character of the Chadic stratum of the Kujarke lexicon. In regard of the position of the easternmost Chadic language it is not so surprising (cf. Blench 2008). From the neighboring non-Chadic languages the strongest influence may be ascribed to Fur or better to some of its relatives, because the Fur-like words in Kujarke are rather different from their Fur counterparts.

Comparative Wordlists

A. Core wordlist

1. “ashes” *buso*: Jegu *bút*, Birgit *bùti*, Toram *bùuti*; Dangla *bùtù*, Migama *bítí*, Bidiya *bùtò* id.; ?Mubi *fidàadò*, Minjile *fidaadò*, Kajakse *fitatò* id. < Chadic **bwut-* “ashes” (Stolbova 1996, 21–22; JI₂ 4–5).
2. “bark” *kuránu*: Mubi *kuroro*, Zirenkel *kororo* id. (Lovenstrand 2012, 49), ?Toram *'urumta* id.
3. “belly” *dio* < Fur *dìò* “belly” (Jakobi 1990, 58).
4. “big” *ulul*: ?Mokilko *góolé* id. or Kera *bòbló*; Dangla *bbáli* id. The loss of the expected *g-* and *b-* before *u* is perhaps regular in Kujarke, cf. *ubú* “full” vs. Dangla *góóbé*, or *uso* “seed” vs. Kajakse *búsùn*.
5. “bite” *kaḍambida*: ?Mubi *áad* = *'éwít* (J), Minjile *awiid*, Kajakse *adwa* id., and / or Mokilko *'áadi* “eat”; Kabalai *yədá*, Sumray *yīdā*, Ndam *gədáà*, Tumak *gəd* id. (JI₂ 24–25).
6. “black” *kálámàðu*: Sokoro *kílmio*, Tamki *kilime*, Saba *kilmì*, Ubi *cílmìn̄*, Mawa *cilim* id. < **kil[e]m-* (Stolbova 1996, 60; JI₂ 29; Lovestrånd 2012, 50).
7. “blood” *ibiri*: Mubi *śbɔr*, Minjile *śbɔr*, Kajakse *abar*, Masmaje *'ábár*, Zirenkel *ubari*, Toram *bár*, Jegu *bar*, Birgit *bàrà* id.; Dangla *bààr*, Migama *báará*; Kwang *kúwá:r*, Kera *kor*, Kabalai *kábərə*, Lele *kùbàrò*, Sumray *bàrē*, Ndam *bā:r*, Tumak *bāi* id. < Chadic **bar* (Newman 1977, 22) = *(*ha-)pura-* “blood” (Stolbova 1996, 19; JI₁ 14: √*b-r*; JI₂ 30–31; Lovestrånd 2012, 50).

8. “bone” *kàyéyà*: ?Mubi *kúnóonù*, Minjile *kunono*, Kajakse *kùnún*; ?Sumray *gùsáñy*, Ndam *gúsé*, Tumak *guúy* id. < Chadic **kasi* “bone” (Stolbova 1996, 66; JI₂ 36–37).
9. “breast” *féfè*: Mubi *fáabó*, Minjile *faabò*, Kajakse *fáfò*, Masmaje *fafó*, Zirenkel *papo*, Birgit *fifó*; Toram *fifú*, Dangla *pòòpìy*, Migama *pú:pú*, Birgit *piúupà* id. < Chadic $\sqrt{p\text{-}b}$ “breast” (JI₁ 20; JI₂ 46–47; Lovestrand 2012, 50).
10. “burn” *jɔralina*.
11. “claw” *kuranu* ~ *kirwini*: Mubi *káárúmō*, Minjile *karòmò*, Kajakse *kurufí* id.; Birgit *kòrnì* “finger”, Toram *korome* “finger”; Dangla *kòrmó* “claw”; ? Kwang *kinjírgí*, Sumray *gérinyé* “claw” || (West) Bole *kurum* “fingernail” < Chadic $\sqrt{k\text{-}r\text{-}m}$ “fingernail” (JI₁ 122; JI₂ 246–47).
12. “cloud” *aygirima*: cf. Kera *kamrá* id.?
13. “cold” *agakilla*: Kwang *ká:l*, *kàlə*, Kabalai *kàlə* id., Lele *kàlō* “cold wind”, Sumray *gàlē*, Ndam *gā:l*, Tumak *gà:l* id. < East Chadic $\sqrt{k\text{-}l}$ (JI₁ 37; JI₂ 80–81).
14. “come” *jià*: Kabalai *giyə*, Lele *èjə* id. Cf. #90 *iji* “walk”.
15. “die” *maat* (if not Arabic!): Mubi *maat*, Minjile *muut*, Masmaje *màti*, Kajakse *mata*, Jegu *maat*, Birgit *màtái*, Toram *mùt* id.; Barain *mótó*, Sokoro *míita*, Mawa *midij*, Dangla *màtè*, Migama *máató*, Bidiya *máat-*, Mokilko *'untó* < **úmútó* (Lukas); Kwang *mâyé*, Kera *mé*, Kabalai *muwá*, Lele *mā*, Sumray *mār* = *made* (GD), Ndam *míyâ* = *mara* (GD), Tumak *ma* id. < **mut-*/**muwat-* “to die” (Stolbova 1996, 106; Lovestrand 2012, 50).
16. “dog” *bʷa* ~ *buha*: Mubi *fúgá*, Minjile *fugà*, Kajakse *füká* id.
17. “drink” *gomi*: ? Sokoro *énymó* (Sx), Migama *'áymó*, Mokilko *'óòmí* “eat”; Kera *hàmè*, Sumray *kwǎm* “eat” < Chadic **h[a]m-* “to eat” (Stolbova 1996, 76).
18. “dry” *fajá*: cf. Mubi *fogóny* “to burn” || ?(Central) Yedina *fèù*, Logone *fiyù* id. (JI₂, 55).
19. “ear” *kumayo* ~ *kime*: Kajakse *køymi*, pl. *kuyòm*; Mokilko *kìudé*, pl. *kìwwá* < **kuum-*; cf. also Mubi *súmáamù*, Minjile *sumaamo*; Kera *kósój*, Kwang *sèmdí*, Kabalai *sàmí*, Lele *sùmá*, Sumray *súmí*, Ndam *hám*, Tumak *him* id. < Chadic **kum-* “to hear, smell” vs. **(ku-)sim-* “ear” (Stolbova 1996, 56).
20. “earth” (and “soil”) *kiye/a*: Mubi *kídí*, Masmaje *kí'i*; Mogum *kit*, Birgit *kídó*; Jegu *kito*, Toram *kít*, Bidiya *kiða*; Dangla *kiða*; Migama *kiða*; Mabire *kit*; Mawa *ko*; Barain *kiðá*; Kwang *cèdó* id. || (West) Diri *kéðà*, *kyádá* id. (JI₂ 116–17; Lovestrand 2012, 51).
21. “eat (soft things)” *tuye*: Mubi *tíwà*, Minjile *tūk*, Kajakse *tu*, Jegu *t-*, Birgit *táyà*, Toram *ta*; Bidiya *tia*; Barain *tí*; Ubi *to*; Kabalai *dùrwá*, Lele *dì* id. < Chadic $\sqrt{t\text{-}w\text{-}y}$ “to eat” (JI₁ 56; JI₂ 120–21; Lovestrand 2012, 49–50).
22. “egg” *kilijè*: ?Mokilko *kùmìl-só* id.; or Kabalai *kàsàrøy*, Lele *kàsìrà* id. with metathesis?

23. “eye” *kunju*: Lele *kīn-/kūn-* id. (WP). Interesting are Nilo-Saharan parallels: Amdang/Biltine *ñi*, pl. *kuñi*, Fur *n-uŋi*, pl. *k-uŋi* “eye” (Doornbos & Bender 1983, 67).
24. “fat” *kuno*: ?Mubi *síwín*, Minjile *síwín*, Kajakse *síbìn* = *sawni* (A) id.; Sokoro *súnē* “fat” (adj.), Ubi *suunè* “oil”, Mawa *suun* “oil”, Dangla *sèwè* “fat”, Migama *séwén* *kà tálta*, lit. “hard oil”, *súiná* “fat” (adj.), Bidiya *suun* (v.), *sewèŋ* “oil”; Kwang *súwānē*, Kera *son*, Kabalai *sùwàngá*, Lele *sòngò* (WP), Tumak *hɔ:n* id. < Chadic **samin-/*siman-* “fat” (Stolbova 1996, 135).
25. “feather” *týè* – cf. “hair”.
26. “fire” *tawe*: Kwang *tòwaa*, Kera *cówá*, Kabalai *tùwà*, Lele *tùwà*, Sumray *duuwaa*, Ndam *dów*, Tumak *dəw* id. < $\sqrt{t-w}$ “fire” (Jl₁ 66; Jl₂ 139).
27. “fish” *bùjá*: Mubi *bò:gòsá*, Minjile *bɔ:gòsò*, Kajakse *búngòsí*, Masmaje *bògòs*, Zirenkel *boksi*; Jegu *bíshó*, Birgit *bísó*, Toram *bíhò*; Sokoro *búsii*, Ubi *búuze*, Mawa *bùs*, Barain *bū:sí*, East Dangla *bōosō*, Migama *bū:sú*, Bidiya *bóosá*, Tamki *búsé*, Mabire *bis* id. < Chadic $\sqrt{b-g-s}$ “fish” (Jl₁ 67; Jl₂ 140–41; Lovestrond 2012, 50).
28. “five” *biya ~ bija*: Mubi *bídyà*, Kajakse *fiddýà*, Toram *bèedýa*, Birgit *bèèdýà*, Jegu *bei*; Mokilko *páát*; Bidiya *bée’ey*, Migama *béédyá*, Dangla *bèèdy*; Sokoro *bíiya*, Mawa *bi*; Lele *bày*, Kabalai *bàyì*; Kera *wi:diw*, Kwang *wídyím ~ 'ùdyí:m*, Sumray *jì*, Ndam *wíshí*, Tumak *ùsàñ* id. || (Central) Masa *vàtl* || (West) Bade *bađ*, Ngizim *vàad*; Siri *bietle*, Jimbin *vàatl*, Warji *βwá:tli*, Bole *bađi*, Kirfi *bòđol*, Karekare *baad*; Sura *pàät*, Yiwom *pʷàt*; Hausa *biyár/t* id. (Jl₂, 142–43; Jl₁, 68: $\sqrt{b-d^y-l}$).
29. “fly” (n.) *kibiya*: Kwang *kò:kó*, Kera *káków* id., or to Kajakse *tiwíyò* id.?
30. “foot” *kàré*: Lele *gàrmà*, Sumray *šiangaram* (GD) id.
31. “four” *fada*: Mubi *fádà*, Kajakse *faat*, Zirenkel *pađa*, Toram *fòoda*, Birgit *fòòđi*, Jegu *food*; Mokilko *pìđé*; Migama *pó:dí*, Dangla *pòđòd*, Mabire *pot*; Sokoro *pááda*, *fāda*, Ubi *podà*, Mawa *pat*, Bidiya *paadaj*; Kwang *wiùdāy ~ 'ùdāy*, Kera *wa:de*; Kabalai *pərj*, Lele *pōrīj*, Sumray *wa:də*, Ndam *wè:tī*, Tumak *wəri* etc. < Chadic **faridu* “4” (Jl₂, 152–53; Jl₁, 73: $\sqrt{-p-g}$).
32. “full” *ubu*: Mokilko *þóò*; Dangla *góóþé* id. || (Central) Masa *hòb(i)yà* id.; Musgu *avu* id.
33. “give” *bure*: Mubi *báará*, Kajakse *faaro*; Jegu *bir*, Birgit *bìrì* id.; Ubi *birin*, Dangla *bérè*, Migama *bíráw*, Bidiya *bér* id.; Kwang *wír*, Kabalai *bí*, Lele *bè*, Sumray *wír* id. < Chadic **bari* id. (Stolbova 1996, 25–26; Jl₂, 158–59; Jl₁, 76: $\sqrt{b-r}$; Lovestrond 2012, 49).
34. “good” *tiliyá*: probably borrowed from a source of the type Fur *tillé* “good” (Jakobi 1990, 119), while the East Chadic counterparts stand too far: Sumray *ladi* (GD), Ndam *gundiele* (GD), Tumak *ele* (GD) id.; Jegu *rál* id.
35. “green” (and “wet”) *karaandi*: perhaps borrowed from a source of the type Fur *kirro* “green” (Jakobi 1990, 52).

36. “hair” *tiye*: (West) Yiwom *twɔ:tʰákʰ*; Tala *ták*, Buli *ták* id. (J_I 2 176). Interesting are parallels in Maban (Nilo-Saharan): Runga *tuwúui*, Kibet *tɔwi* “hair” (Doornbos & Bender 1983, 64).
37. “hand” *afɔ*: Mubi *fɔsá*, Minjile *fɔso*, Kajakse *fuso*; Jegu *fötó* id.; Sokoro *pít-um*; Dangla *písè*, Migama *píssí*, Bidiya *pésè*; ?Mokilko *béy*; ?Sumray *b̂ásáy*, ?Ndam *betam* (GD) id. < \sqrt{p} -s (J_I 1, 87; J_I 2, 179).
38. “head” *ákè ~ akaje*: Mubi *kàc*, pl. *kò'íc*, Minjile *kac*, Kajakse *kac*, pl. *kadyúk* (A), Masmaje *káč*, Zirenkel *kæj*; Jegu *kàatà*, pl. *kijáu*, Birgit *kádyà*, Toram *kàata* id.; Sokoro *góndu* = *gon* (Sx), Ubi *goonà*, Mawa *gwan*; Dangla *káá* = *kán* (L), Migama *kàyà*, Bidiya *kaa-te*, Barain *kè*, Mabire *kayat*; Mokilko *'éégó*, pl. *'áw'i* id.; with the dental prefix Sumray *dí*: = *d-um* (L), Ndam *díč* = *díjím* (GD), Tumak *dəg(ə)* = *deg-um* (GD) “head” < Chadic **'eg-* “head” (Stolbova 1996, 31; Lovestrand 2012, 51).
39. “hear” *ajigala ~ ajugɔna*: Mubi *jìgè*, Minjile *jígéwò*, Kajakse *dugiye*, Zirenkel (*ar-*)*jigiya*; Jegu *doy-*, Birgit *dòòyì* id.; Kabalai *tiyəgá*, Lele *dēyli*, Sumray *dòy*, Ndam *dùlà*, Tumak *do* id. < Chadic $\sqrt{d_2-g-w}$ or $\sqrt{d-l}$ “to hear” (J_I 1 90; J_I 2 184–85; Lovestrand 2012, 49).
40. “heart” *karla*: Mubi *kòrlò*, Minjile *kɔrlò*, Kajakse *kárlo* id.; East Dangla *kōrlò*, Migama *kórlá*, Bidiya *kogilo* id.; Ubi *'oyilà*; Lele *mú-gúlú* id. < Chadic $\sqrt{-g-l}$ “heart” (Jungraithmayr & Shimizu 1981, 134).
41. “horn” *gaffa ~ gapfe*: Mubi *géebí*, pl. *gáabàb*, Minjile *gēbí*, Zirenkel *gapi*; Jegu *gééfó*, Birgit *géefó*, Toram *géffó*; Sokoro *gebel* = *gəpán* (Sx), Ubi *gàpà*, Mawa *gap*; Dangla *gèèpì*, Migama *gâ:pè*, Bidiya *geepínò*, Barain *gáppínij*; Mokilko *'òpi-só*, pl. *'òmbá*; Kera *gàw*, Lele *kébèndí* id. < Chadic $\sqrt{g-b-n}$ “horn” (J_I 1 94; J_I 2 192–93; Lovestrand 2012, 49).
42. “I” *annu*: Mubi *nde*, Minjile *ndé*, Kajakse *inti*, obj. *'in*; Jegu *nôo* id.; Sokoro *na*, Ubi *naa*, Mawa *nó*; Dangla *noon(o)*, Migama *náà*, Bidiya *noo*; Mokilko *nùunó*; Kwang *'n*, Kera *ten*, Lele *dàng*, Sumray *əndí*, Tumak *nà* (subj.) id.
43. “kill” *duda*: Mubi *d-*, Minjile *dááyà*, Zirenkel (*ar-*)*di*, Kajakse *díwà*, Masmaje *dégú*; Jegu *dii*, Birgit *dúuk*, Toram *diwa* id.; Sokoro *da*, Ubi *dèyin*, Mawa *deay*; Dangla *déè*, Migama *díyáw*, Bidiya *daa*, Barain *dí*; Mokilko *tóww-*, pf. *-iid* (L); Sumray *yá*, Ndam *'ájá*, Tumak *áj* id. < Chadic $\sqrt{d-w(-k)}$ “to kill” (J_I 1 105; J_I 2 212–13; Lovestrand 2012, 51).
44. “knee” *gife ~ gufe*: Mubi *gip*, pl. *gòobúb*, Minjile *gib*, Kajakse *gijf*, Zirenkel *gibi*; Jegu *gifo*, Birgit *gífi*, Toram *gifitu* id.; Dangla *gipi*, Migama *gippi*, Bidiya *gèpe*; Mokilko *zìlbé*; Kwang *kibígí*, Lele *gùbà* (WP), Sumray *gùbé*, Ndam *gùb*, Tumak *gun gùbò* id. < Chadic **gufi* “knee” (Stolbova 1996, 104; Lovestrand 2012, 49).
45. “know” *kawanawe*: Bidiya *'isàn*, Mokilko *siùùné*; Kwang *àsìnē*, Kera *ásé*, Lele *sèn*, Ndam *hāná*, Tumak *hàn* id. < Chadic **sVw/yVn-* “to know” (Stolbova 2009, 93–94, #293; J_I 1 107: $\sqrt{s-n}$ “to know”; J_I 2 216–17). Lovestrand (2012, 50) compares only Kujarke and Barain *wōnnó* id.

46. “leaf” *gulum-bayo*: Kajakse *fiyayò*, ?Mubi *béríyò*, Minjile *berriò* id.; ?Ubi *kabila*; Sumray *bàje* id.
47. “liver” *kulma karle* (*karla* = “heart”): ? Birgit ’ókóló “liver” or better connected with Fur *kilma* “heart” (Jakobi 1990, 41)?
48. “long” *kañire*: Mubi *ságár*, Minjile *-ságár*, Kajakse *sugor* = *sigàr* (A) id.; ?Migama *sídgyá*; Mokilko *só’ùrú*, pl. *sôjirtí*; Lele *siny* (v.), Sumray *syar* (v.) id. < Chadic *č(y)VrV “long” (Stolbova 2009, 104).
49. “louse” *bítà*: Cushitic: (Central) **bæt-* “louse” (Appleyard 2006, 95) || ?(North) Beja *b'uut* “wood-boring beetle” (Roper).
50. “man” *nigi ~ noga*: (West) Sura *ŋgá* “man”; Karekare *ŋgáá* “person” || (Central) Logone *ŋgwèn* id. || ?(East) Mubi *njóó* id., Jegu *gé* “people”; Tumak *gùn*, Sumray *gún* “person” (JI₂, 230, 266–67)
51. “many” *waášà*: ?Sokoro *ása* id.
52. “meat/animal” *kwé*: Mubi *kómé*, Minjile *kómé*, Kajakse *kumayo*, Masmaje *kʰóméí*, Zirenkel *kume* id. (Lovestrand 2012, 49); East Dangla *kūmá* id. < Chadic **komu* “meat, cow” (Stolbova 1996, 59), or with the substitution of *s* > *k*: Mawa *sit*; Migama *síuḍú*, Bidiya *síuḍò*; Mokilko *séy*; Kera *kúsúkí*, Lele *sií* (WP) id. < Chadic **sV(w)-* “meat” (Stolbova 1996, 38, #22). Cf. also Fur pl. *kū*, sg. *ū* “cow” (MacMichael 1920, 203).
53. “moon” *tiré*: Mubi *tírí*, Minjile *tíři*, Kajakse *tiri*, Masmaje *tíří*; Jegu *téré*, Birgit *térè* id.; Mokilko *térè*; Kwang *kìdīr*, Kera *kítír*, Kabalai *kàdàrò*, Lele *gìdìrì*, Barain *túrú*, Sumray *dúrù*, Ndam *dór*, Tumak *dóř* id. < Chadic **tariy-/tiray-/tayir-* “moon” (Stolbova 1996, 32; Lovestrand 2012, 49).
54. “mountain” *ṇayaṛu*: cf. Formona¹ (Bongo-Bagirmi → Central Sudanic) *nayar* id., and perhaps Merarit (→ Tama) *ṇòrga* “stone” (Doornbos & Bender 1983, 69)?
55. “mouth” *aña*: ?(Central) Margi *ñà* (but cf. Bade *mnya* id.); Sukur *ùnyú* id. (JI₂ 244-45) or *apa* (Doornbos, ms. 1981)
56. “name” *rúwà*: Cf. Fur *keriu* “name” (MacMichael 1920, 203; Greenberg 1963, 142; Fur *kario*).
57. “neck” *kiida*: ?Ndam *kwàd* = *kurum* (GD), ?Kwang *kàrí*, ?Kera *kur*, ?Lele *kòrgà* id.
58. “new” *kalike*.
59. “night” *gurumba*: cf. Mokilko *gámmilí* “black” and / or Mubi *rám*, Jegu *ráámán* id. (JI₂ 29), West Chadic **rumi* id. (Stolbova 1996, 134).
60. “nose” *kaata*: Mubi *ídáanù*, pl. *áttán*, Minjile *ídánò*, Kajakse *atan*; Jegu ’éténtó, Birgit ’étèj, Toram ’etej id.; Dangla *ètè* = *éttinjij* (L), Migama ’itin, Bidiya ’étèna; Mokilko ’óndé (L); ?Kwang *kìné:nî*, Kera *niinə*, Kabalai *hì:ndí*, Lele *hindà*, Sumray *shèndé*, Ndam *tàn* = *handam* (GD), Tumak *hùn* id. < Chadic **aten-* “nose” (Stolbova 1996, 135).

¹ <<http://asjp.clld.org/languages/FORMONA>>

61. “one” *kirre ~ kurwo*: Jegu *kee*, Birgit *káydò*, Toram *kétàñ*; Dangla *kídá*, Migama *kádyi*, Bidiya *ke’yej*, Mabire *ke*, Tamki *kiiti*, Sokoro *kétti* id. < Chadic $\sqrt{k-d-n}$ “one” (JI₁131; JI₂ 262–63; Lovestrond 2012, 51). Interesting are parallels in the Nilo-Saharan group Tama: Tama *kwur*, Erenga *kuur*, Merarit *kárre* “1” (Doornbos & Bender 1983, 69), Sungor *kor* id. (Lukas).
62. “person” *wulu*: Kwang *hūlùm*, Kera *hùlùm* id.
63. “rain” (n.) *bu ~ bụ*: Mubi *bok* (v.); Jegu *bóy* (v.) id. Cf. Omotic: Wolayta *bukk-*, Dawro *buk-*, Dache *bukk-*, Kachama *boq-*, Gamu *buqq-* “to rain” (Lamberti & Sottile 1997, 316) ||| Cushitic: (Central) **bəkʷ-an-/än-* “cloud” (Appleyard 2006, 46) || (East) Oromo of Wellega *bokkaa* “rain”, Somali of Hawiya *bokkod* id. || Beja (Seetzen) *bayúk* “snow” ||| Berber: (North) Shilha *abukku* “snow” and / or Snus *tbika* & *tbica*, Figig *tbica* “rain” (Naït-Zerrad 1998, 49, 10).
64. “red” *kàánde*: Kajakse *ki-riŋde* = *ránnyà* (A), Mubi *rènéét*, Minjile *-reňet* id.; ?Sokoro *ráyo* id.
65. “road” *buka(ru)*: Ghat *abreqqa*, pl. *ibreqqaten*, Ahaggar *ăbăräqqa*, pl. *ibăräqqâtän*, Ayr-East Awlemmiden *abăräqqa*, pl. *ibăräqqan* < South Berber **ā-baraqqāH*, pl. **ī-baraqqāt-an* “road” (Prasse 1974, 238; Naït-Zerrad 1998, 117: $\sqrt{b-r-q_4}$).
66. “root” *gadarra*: ?Kajakse *cara*; Jegu *kyaru*, Birgit *cááró*, Toram *šaari* id.; Sokoro *sàdú* (Sx), Ubi *cérù*, Mawa *sedu*; Dangla *tyáarò*, Migama *cá:rú*, Bidiya *cáará*; Mokilko *sòttó*, pl. *sònđàyí*; Kwang *kásár*, Kera *kásár*, Kabalai *hárà*, Lele *sárā*, Sumray *sárba*, Ndam *sírwé*, Tumak *hárāw* id. < Chadic **čo/uHar-* “root” (Stolbova 1996, 54; JI₂ 276–77); alternatively, but less probably with Kera *gùd*, Kabalai *gýn do* (Lukas) “root”.
67. “sand” *alala*: probably borrowed from a source of the type Daju Sila *alaali* “sand; wadi”, Daju of Darfur *alalei* “wadi, khor” (MacMichael 1920, 203, 205); Any connection with Chadic counterparts of the type Ubi *yoolè* “sand” is less promising.
68. “say” *dēbe*.
69. “see” *wunida*: ?Sokoro *géna-gō* id.
70. “seed” *uso*: Minjile *busün*, Kajakse *bùsùn*, Zirenkel *busunu*, Jegu *busum*, Toram *bóhám*; Dangla *búsàm*, Migama *búsìnì*, Bidiya *bùsáana*; Mokilko *búzú*; Barain *wássi* id. < Chadic *(*bu-*)*sVm-* “seed, corn” (Stolbova 2009, 90, #280; Lovestrond 2012, 50).
71. “sit” *garñe*: ?Kwang *nōr* (Lukas) id. Or related with Kujarke *garñi* “down”?
72. “skin” *màrdi/e*: probably of NS origin, cf. Maban: Kibet *madda*, Aiki *màdà* “skin” (Nougayrol 1986, 54).
73. “sleep” *gatalɔ*: Jegu *gaalo* id.
74. “small” *kańi*: Jegu *kóyán* id.; ?Kera *koncé / cəncá*, Kabalai *kongo*, ?Sumray *hnye* id. < Chadic $\sqrt{k-y-n}$ “small” (Jungraithmayr & Shimizu 1981, 238).

75. “smoke” (n.) *kajié*: Minjile *ija* id.; perhaps also Kwang *kisé* (v.), Kera *késé*, Lele *kùsá*, Sokoro *sī*, Ubi *siyò*, Mawa *si*, Mokilko *sáà* id.
76. “stand” *wusi*: ?Mubi *wajágé*, Kajakse *wáduku*, Zirenkel (*ara-*)*wajiga*, Masmaje *wájágá*; ?Jegu *wor-*; Mabire *wače*, Bidiya *ucu*; Migama *wácaw*; Mokilko *'oozìgá*; Sokoro *wúsà*, Ubi *weje* id. < Chadic $\sqrt{w-l-k}$ (J1₁ 157–58; J1₂ 304–05; Lovestrond 2012, 50).
77. “star” *déréré*: Cf. Omotic: Shako *dertn* “star”?
78. “stone” *tegégà*: ?Tumak *dàay* id., Ndam *doï* “stone, mountain”; further cf. South Berber **ā-diHāy*, pl. **ī-diHāy-an* “mountain” (Prasse 1974, 185; Naït-Zerrad 1999, 358 & 360: $\sqrt{d-y_{17} \& 20}$) ||| Cushitic: (East) **dagħ-* “stone” (Sasse 1982, 61) ||| Omotic: (North) Male *duka* “stone”; Kafa B *taaqt* “stone” || (South) Hamer *duqa*, Banna *duka* “mountain”.
79. “sun” *afar*: Mubi *fàt*, Minjile *fāat*, Kajakse *fātì*, Zirenkel *patti*; Jegu *fóot*, Birgit *fòotó*, Toram *fōo*; Sokoro *píō*, Ubi *puḍiyò*, Mawa *pídò*, Saba *pídò*, Dangla *pàtò*, Migama *pá:tó*, Bidiya *páató*, Mabire *pat*, Mokilko *pèedó* id. < Chadic **fati/a* “sun” (Stolbova 1996, 28; J1₁ 161: $\sqrt{p-t}$; J1₂ 312–13; Lovenstrand 2012, 51).
80. “swim” *oomni* < Arabic.
81. “tail” *kayé*: Jegu *'ayo*, Birgit *ááyó* id.; East Dangla *àyē*, Migama *àyà*, Bidiya *'eya* id.; cf. also perhaps Mubi *'inyéwii* (J), Minjile *iñewi*, Kajakse *iñawi* id. || (West) Dera *yíwà* id. (J1₂ 316–17).
82. “that” *àtá*: cf. Mubi *gàtta* m. vs. *dàtta* f. “that”.
83. “this” *agu*: Kajakse *aka*, cf. Mubi *gàŋ/dàŋ* m./f., Minjile *gaŋinne*; Jegu *kōo/tōo*; Sokoro *kánē*, Migama *kaanè/taanè*, Bidiya *kaanè*, Mokilko *gēŋ/géttè*; Sumray *à(n)já'm* id. Alternatively, the Nilo-Saharan origin cannot also be excluded, cf. Saharan: Berti *negei*, Zaghawa *na*, Kanuri *nyi* “thou” (Doornbos & Bender 1983, 61), proto-Daju **ini(ŋga)* “thou” (Ehret 2001, 320, #280).
84. “thou” *nigi ~ niki*: ?Mubi *kám/kín*, Minjile *kám*, Kajakse *kámte*; Jegu *kee/kánée*; Sokoro *ca; -gi* “dich”, Ubi *ci / ke*, Mawa *ci / ko*, Dangla *kín/kán*, Migama *kú/káŋ*, Bidiya *kinda /kanda*, Mokilko *kée/kòn*; Kwang *gi/kìn*, Lele *dígí/dàmè*, Sumray *à(n)já'm* id. Alternatively, the Nilo-Saharan origin cannot also be excluded, cf. Saharan: Berti *negei*, Zaghawa *na*, Kanuri *nyi* “thou” (Doornbos & Bender 1983, 61), proto-Daju **ini(ŋga)* “thou” (Ehret 2001, 320, #280).
85. “three” *ubo*: Mubi *súbà*, Minjile *subà*, Masmaje *sób*, Kajakse *soop*, Zirenkel *subba*; Jegu *sup/b*, Birgit *súúbù*, Toram *suuba*; Sokoro *sùbbá* (Sx), Ubi *sùba*, Mawa *súp*, Dangla *sùbbà*, Migama *sùbbà*, Bidiya *subaj*; Kwang *sùpáy ~ sèbày*, Kera *soope*, Kabalai *sàp*, Lele *sùbù*, Sumray *sùbù*, Ndam *súp*, Tumak *sùùb* id. < East Chadic $\sqrt{s-b}$ “three” (J1₁ 168; J1₂ 327; Lovestrond 2012, 51).
86. “tongue” *aliyati*: Mubi *lísí*, Minjile *lísí*, Kajakse *liisi*, pl. *liyás* (A); Jegu *léesó*, Birgit *lísí*, Toram *liho*; Sokoro *séleñ* (Sx), Ubi *silínyò*, Mawa *siliny*, Dangla *léésé*, Migama *liit = liic-um* (J), Bidiya *lísé*, Mokilko *'ilzé*; Kwang *kilisí*, Kera *kəsəl*, Kabalai *kálà-*, Lele *kīlā-*, Sumray *dilèsé*, Ndam *dás*, Tumak *dúj* id. < Chadic **(ha-)lesi-um* “tongue” (Stolbova 1996, 88).

87. “tooth” *kiya*: ?Mubi *sìŋàjù*, Minjile *sìŋáŋjò*, Kajakse *sin*; Jegu *sàŋó*, Birgit *sàŋó*; Sokoro *sónd-im* = *sən* (Sx), Ubi *sìinà*, Mawa *síinó*, Dangla *sààŋò*, Migama *sâ:nú*, Bidiya *séeyo*, Mokilko *síntá*, pl. *síná*; Kera *kásáŋ*, Kabalai *kásànda*, Lele *kásíngá*, Sumray *sándē*, Ndam *hân* = *hindam* (GD), Tumak *hiin* id. < Chadic **sin-* “tooth” (Stolbova 1996, 57, 135–36). Alternatively, it may be connected with Fur pl. *k-àgì*, sg. *d-agí* “tooth” (Jakobi 1990, 47).
88. “tree” *kašié*: ?Sokoro *tsui* = *sáune* (AF), Ubi *cìwà*, Mawa *səw* id.
89. “two” *kurro ~ giriya*: Mubi *siìr*, Minjile *siìr*, Kajakse *siìr*; Jegu *shee*, Birgit *síri*, Toram *see*; Dangla *séér(ʒ)*, Migama *sé:rà*, Bidiya *sídì*, Mokilko *síré*; Kabalai *sùwà*, Lele *sò*, Sumray *sár*, Ndam *sá*, Tumak *heè* id. < Chadic **cVr-* (Stolbova 2009, 158, #630) = **cir-od-* “2” (Stolbova 1996, 40), perhaps also Kwang *rāy*, *ráy*, Ndam *reje* (Decorse), if they are not related to Mawa *rap* “2”?
90. “walk” *iji*: Mubi *njaa/njaū*, Minjile *njú*, Kajakse *jauw* = *njàw* (A); Jegu *jawo* id. < Chadic **ži’-/-žaw-* “to go” (Stolbova 1996, 48).
91. “warm” *kawe*: Kera *bè cawan*, Kabalai *kove il* (Lukas) id. – cf. Chadic **kawaly-* “to burn” (Stolbova 1996, 59); or with substitution *r* > *w* to Mubi *kéri*, Minjile *-kerit*, Kajakse *kàri* id.
92. “water” *šia*: (West) Dott *ša* “water” || (Central) Fali *só* id.; probably related to Kera *sé* “drink”; Kabalai *sùwə*; Sumrai *shà*; Sokoro *sa*; ?Mokilko *sibè*; Birgid *sáyà*, Mubi *síwà* & *siyá* etc. < Chadic **sV(H')* (Stolbova 2009, 58–59, #132) = **sa/i-* “to drink” (Stolbova 1996, 58; JI₂ 110–11). Cf. also Berber *\s-w-H* “to drink” (Prasse 1973, 109; Militarev 1991, 256, 19.1.), and further maybe Cushitic: Beja *šig* “well that is very shallow, water-hole dug in khor” (Hudson by Blench) || (South) Maa *-siwa* “to be wet”, *-sí* “to rain” (Ehret) ||| Omotic: She (Montadon) *so* = She-Bench (Bender) *so* “water” (Blažek 2006, 421–22).
93. “we” *kone*: Mokilko incl. *kìné*, Migama *kéè* id.
94. “what?” *ygayna*: ?Minjile *ŋatu* “who?”; Sokoro *kanykema* “what?”; Sumray *kāna* “what? ”.
95. “white” *kábuur*: Kajakse *ki-fire*, Mubi *férét*, Minjile *-férèt*; Jegu *pórórán*, Birgit *fórórà*; ?Sokoro *úriō*, ?Ubi *uro*, Dangla *pórtà*, Migama *púrtà*, ?Mokilko *tùwàré*; Kwang *bärétín*, Kera *gi-bìrwí*, Kabalai *bùriùwa*, Lele *bòré*, Sumray *bürágé* id. < Chadic *\p-r* “white” (JI₁ 178; JI₂ 344–45).
96. “who?” *ye*: ?Kajakse *kaye* id.; Sokoro *ye*, Ubi (*'ay*) *yé*; ?Lele *wéy* id.
97. “woman” *ka ~ kamma*: ?Sokoro *máa*, Ubi *meyè*, Mawa *mii*; Lele *támá*, pl. *kāmdā* (WP), Kabalai *tamă*, Sumray *démé*, pl. *nàmde*, cf. Kwang *nòmtō*, further Ndam *dehem* (GD), Tumak *déem* id. < *(*ta-*)’*am-* “woman” (Stolbova 1996, 31). Cf. also a Nilo-Saharan parallel in Mimi (Nachtigal) *kam* “woman”, classified as a Maban language (Doornbos & Bender 1983, 64, 66).
98. “ye” *kóniy*: Jegu *kúnéè*, Mubi *kéné*, Minjile *kante*, Kajakse obj. *kann*; Sokoro *kúnuy*, Ubi *kunàŋ*, Mawa *kəŋ*, Dangla *kún*, Migama *kūŋ*, Bidiya *kunda*, Mokilko *kúnè*; Kwang *kán*.

Statistics

Secure East Chadic etymologies: 1. ash, 3. bark, 7. blood, 11. claw, 15. die, 19. ear, 20 earth, 21. eat, 26. fire, 27. fish, 28 five, 31 four, 32 full, 33. give, 39. hear, 40. heart, 41. horn, 42. I, 43. kill, 44. knee, 53. moon, 63. rain, 74. small, 79. sun, 81. tail, 82. that, 83. this, 85. three, 86. tongue, 93 we, 95. white, 96. who, 98 ye.

Probable (East) Chadic etymologies: 5. big, 7. bite, 6. black, 14. come, 16. dog, 23. eye, 30. foot, 37. hand, 38. head, 46. leaf, 50. man, 60. nose, 61. one, 62. person, 70. seed, 76. stand, 90. walk.

k-prefix: 60. nose, 64. red, 81. tail, 95. white, 97. woman.

k-prefix or substitute of *s*-: 19. ear, 24. fat, 45. know, 48. long, ?52. meat, 87. tooth, 88. tree, 89. two.

Total number of probable, promising and hypothetical Kujarge-East Chadic cognates: 62.

Hypothetical Afroasiatic cognates outsides Chadic: 49. “louse”; 65. *buka(ru)* “road”; 77. *déréré* “star”.

Probable loans: 3. *dio* “belly” < Fur; 34. *tiliya* “good” < Fur; 35. *karaandi* “green” (and “wet”) < Fur; 47. *kulma* “liver” < Fur; 54. *yayaru* “mountain” < Formona; 56. *rúwà* “name” < ?NS, cf. Fur *keriu*; 67. *alala* “sand” < Daju Sila; 72. *márdi* “skin” < Aiki; 80. *oomni* “swim” < Arabic.

Isolated forms: 10. *jɔralina* “burn”; 18. *fàjá* “dry”; 58. *kalike* “new”; 68. *debe* “say”.

List B

“back” (body) *kárwe*: Kera *kérko* id. || (Central) Yedina *kádyá* id. || (West) Warji *kéráy*, Karya *kyár*, Pa'a *kar*, Jimbin *kyár* id.; Zaar *ka:r* id.; Ngizim *ákáu* id. < √*k-r* (JI₂, 6-7; JI₁, 3).

“bad” (not good), also “dirty” *tiliyawé*

“bed” *angereeb* < Arabic

“blow” vb. *mebe* imp. sg. : *mo* imp. pl.

“boy” *jurdi* ~ *jira:ndi*

“breathe” vb. *wárdide*

“bring here” *buruno* imp. sg. : *birini* imp. pl.

“buttock” *giffeba/e*

“catch” vb. tr. *andedi*

“clean” *tiliya* = “good”, perhaps of Fur origin

“cow” *keja* ~ *kújò*: Kajakse *kʰíyà*, Masmaje *kih*, Mubi *kí* “cow”, Zerenkel *ki* id. (JI₂, 93; Lovestrand 2012, 51). Cf. also Fur pl. *kū*, sg. *ū* “cow” (MacMichael 1920, 203).

“crooked” *ardoda* ~ *ardona*

“cut” vb. *anjɔrli*

“dig” vb. *afure* < Arabic.

“down” *garńi*

“eight” *bebene*: enigmatic form; it resembles Sokoro *bébēnī* (Nachtigal), *bèèfiiní* (Lukas) “6”, easy analyzable as a compound of the numerals “5” & “1”, cf. Ubi *piina* “1” & *beeja* “5”, Sokoro *bíiya* id., although the value doesnot agree.

“elbow” *guruwo* ~ *guro*

“enter, go in” vb. *jiya* – cf. “come”.

“exit, go out” vb. *guru*

“face” *wɔjije* < Arabic

“faeces” *wato*: Mubi *wádá*, Jegu *wádi* “to defecate” (see Stolbova); Tumak *wàd*, Ndam *wūdā* id. || (Central) Higi Nkafa *wadiwade* “faeces” || (West) Karya *wàdá*, Miya *wàdà*, Pa’á & Siri *wùdí*, Jimbin *wádi* id.; Zaar *yìd* “to defecate” (JI₂, 128–29) < **wađi* (Stolbova 1996, 90; JI₁, 81: √*w-d*)

“fall” vb. *apaňe*.

“far” *afaňɔga*.

“fat, thick” adj. *kabaru*.

“fear” vb. *karla kubaru* = “swollen heart”

“goat” *kéwè*: Tumak *gòúi*, Ndam *gōw*, Sumray *gwà* “he-goat” (JI₂, 169)

“gourd” *žšiè*.

“granary” *turdi*.

“grass” *kaňa*: Dangla *gányó/gànyò*; Mokilko ’ú(n)yùmú, pl. ’înnyá.

“hard” *kirla*.

“heavy” *kugola*.

“here” *ibi*.

“hat” *uwo*; *ditɔŋ*.

“he/she” *ere, nili*?: Mubi *ar*, Kajakse *?akàr*; Ubi *?àarà* “he”.

“honey” *adwiye*.

“house” *kuro* ~ *kire*: cf. Masmaje *kìrì*, Mubi *gìr*, Zirenkel *giri*, Toram *gér*, Jegu *géér*; Bidiya *gero*, Migama *ger* “house/hut” (Lovenstrand 2012, 49) and/or (West) Karekare *kwàrò*; ?Boghom *kwàl*, Buli *kalárr* id. || (Central) Gidar *gelá* id. (JI₂, 202–03).

“how?” *ŋgeŋge dega*.

“how many?” *ŋgaynaŋ* *ŋgaynaŋ*.

“inside” *indidi*.

“jump” vb. *ardi*.

“left” *idiyo*.

“live, dwell” vb. *kurodi*.

“love, want” vb. *nindɔga*.

“milk” *keba*: Berber: (South) Ahagar *ikfai* “to be fresh (on milk)” : *sekkefskef* “to foam” (Foucauld), Tamashiq of Udalán *ikfay* “to be fresh”, *tákuffe*, pl. *tikuffawān* “foam (on milk)” (Sudlow); Semlal *akʷfai*; (East) Sokna *aʃfai* “milk”

(Sarnelli) ||| Semitic: Modern South Arabian: Mehri *kēfa*, Harsusi *kéfa/kafāwwa'*, Jibbali *kéfē'* “boiled beestings”, Soqotri *káfa'* (Johnstone 1987, 204) = *kéfe* “le lait de la brebis qui vient de mettre bas” (Leslau 1938, 223). See Militarev 1991, 153, fn. 5.

“near” *nigila*.

“nine” *tissa* < Arabic.

“now” *kitəgula*.

“old” *kitəbənu*.

“open” vb. *febene*.

“other” *kurbiya*: cf. *kirre* ~ *kurwo* “one”.

“outside” *kigi*.

“penis” *ɔgur*: (West) Dera *gwâre* “penis” (Kraft).

“pull” vb. *jillidi*.

“push” vb. *ajeri*

“rainy season” *bu ɔgɔ* = “rain came”.

“rat” *afuňe* ~ *afaňa*: Sumray *bápini* “sp. of a small mouse” || (Central) Gude *póoyàna* “type of mouse” || Egyptian (Old Kingdom) *pnw* “mouse” (Takács 2001, 441).

“right” *idiye* ~ *idey* (cf. “left”!).

“river” *gùlá*: (West) Hausa *gulbi*, pl. *gulabe* “river, water reservoir”; ?Tangale *teygùl* “lake” (the first component perhaps correspond to Sura *tiuŋ/dúŋ* “river”, Chip *dùŋkoŋ* “lake” : *koy* “river”) || (Central) Fali Jilbu *gèlì* “river”; Wadi *gòlò* “river”; ?Dghwede *gulagwà* “river”; Mbara *gòlòŋyá* “lake”; Masa *gòlòŋ* “mare résiduelle; rivière”.

“rope” *bɔ̄ne/a*: Mokilko *bônné* id. (Lovenstrand 2012, 49).

“rotten” vb. *afaňa*.

“rub” vb. *fèbèjé*.

“run” vb. *ŋgúrú*: Mubi *giru*; Barain *gòró*; Bidiya *gadu*, Mabire *gađu*, Migama *gaddo* id. (Lovenstrand 2012, 49).

“salt” *karkade* < Daju.

“scratch” vb. *garñile*.

“seven” *ayngofadagɔbo* ~ *gafadagubo*: cf. *fada* “4” + *ubo* “3”. The same pattern is known in other Chadic languages: (West) Angas-Ankwe: Gerka (Migeod) *praukum* “7” = *prau* “4” & *kun* “3”; Ron: Fyer (Jungraithmayr) *púrúwon* “7” = *píít* “4” & *yoón* “3”; South Bauchi: Seya = Zaar of Gambar Leere (Shimizu) *wutstse màái* “7” vs. *wùpsə* “4” & *màái* “3”; (East) Ndam (Decorse) *wo subo* “7” = *woro* “4” & *supu* “3”; besides some Central Sudanic languages: Gulei (Decorse) *so jí muto* “7” = *so* “4” & *muto* “3”, Mbai (Bruel) *sa do muta* “7” = *so* “3” & *muta* “3”.

“sew” vb. *gañire*.

“sharp” *mungasine*.

“short” *kamori*.

“shoulder” *gurso* ~ *gursoma*.

“shut” vb. *gumure*.

“sky” *diňa* < Arabic “world”.

“six” *ayngogɔbo* ~ *gamgubo*: perhaps “3 + 3”, cf. *ubo* “3”. It is probable that this numeral and the numeral *ayngofadagɔbo* ~ *gafadagubo* “7” preserve the original form **gubo* of the numeral “3” with the initial velar substituting the common East Chadic *s-. Similarly in Central Sudanic: Gulei (Decorse) *muto muto* “6” vs. *muto* “3”, Mbai (Bruel) *mutu muta* “6” vs. *muta* “3”. It is possible that the Chadic numeral “6” is also formed from the numeral “3”: (West) Ron: Daffo-Butura *makōŋ* “6” vs. *yuhún*, Sha *kún* “3” (Jungraithmayr); South Bauchi (Shimizu): Baraza = Dikshi *makkà* “6” vs. *màaggi* “3”, Mbaaru *moon* “6” vs. *meyan* “3”; (Central) Wandala (Migeod) *unkohe* “6” vs. *keye* “3”; Fali Wuba (Lukas) *nkway* “6” vs. *makin* “3”; cf. also the numeral “6” in East Chadic: Jegu *mik*, Birgit *mekke* (both Jungraithmayr).

“smell” vb. *kirna*.

“snake” *ňitida* ~ *ňitina*.

“spear” *kuwe* ~ *kuweyo*.

“stick” *ndoro*.

“straight” *ija*.

“take away” vb. *medegi*.

“ten” *kärup*: Kajakse *kíryi* ~ *kúrwi*; Kwang *rukɔp*, Nancere *gùwàrà* “10” etc. (cf. Lovestrand 2012, 49); (Central) Mofu (Seignobos & Tourneux) *kúráw*, Mofu-Gudur (Barreteau) *kíròw*, Gisiga (Lukas) *kírú*, Baldamu (Seignobos & Tourneux) *kírú* “10”.

“there” *indi*.

“they” *ere*: cf. *era* “he/she”.

“throw” vb. *tàgl̄*.

“tie” vb. *adodena*.

“tomorrow” *malaguma*.

“turtle” *fege*.

“up” *nigi*.

“urine” *fidiji*: Birgit *fidyi*, Mubi *fàràdyé*, Kajakse *fidic* (Alio 2004, 242), Toram *fič*, Jegu *pü*; Migama *pidyí*, Dangla *pídyí* “urine” || (West) Hausa *fitsáárií* id.; Zaar *bízha* (JI₂, 334–35; Lovestrand 2012, 51; Stolbova 1996, 117: **pučari*).

“vulva” *ňerau^w*: (West) Angas *nyir* “vagina”, Sura *ňeer*, Chip *ner*, Ankwe *nèyir* id. (Kraft).

“wind” n. *usmala*: Birgit *'òsi*, Dangla *usu*, Migaama *ussu*, Mogum *os*, Saba: *ósò*; Sokoro *ós*; Ubi *aso*; Zerenkel *usuki* id. (Lovestrand 2012, 51).

“woods” *kulla*.

“work” vb. *keňeni*: Sokoro *gín-* “to make” || (Central) Logone *γán* id. || (West) Mburku *gén-* id. and / or Bokkos *kin* (JI₂, 228–29).

“yesterday” *bebene*.

Appendix 1: The fate of Kujarke after 1981

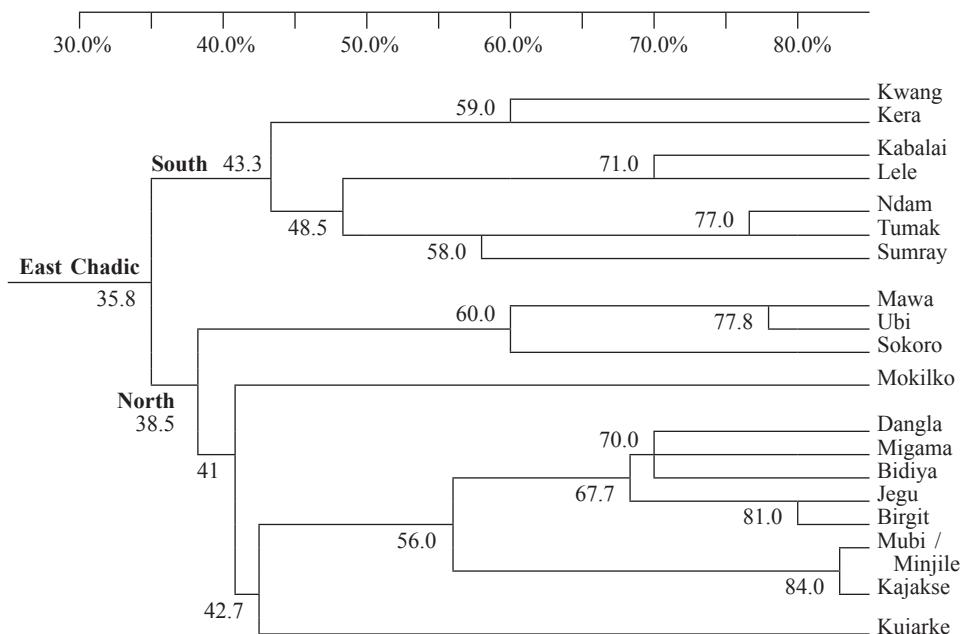
Paul Doornbos devoted a lot of time to studying the Kujarke people; however, it was hard to find out what religion they practiced. Doornbos states that they are not Muslims, but as they kept their religious practices secret and led every visitor to their hamlets in Dar Fongoro to a ‘circle’ outside its perimeter when they wanted to say their prayers, their religion remains undescribed.

In Chad, Dar Fongoro is a ‘sous-prefecture’ with the village of Tissi as regional centre and part of the province of Dar Sila. In Sudan, Dar Fongoro is part of S. Darfur State, and Umm Dukhun is the main centre. Tissi and Umm Dukhun are 20 kms from each other and both have large populations of refugees and displaced Arabs and Fur clashed bloodily in the 1980s, Arabs and Masalit in the 1990s. It prompted many Masalit and Fur at the time to move to Dar Fongoro. When the Sudan government was challenged in 2003 by rebel movements composed of Fur, Masalit (and Zaghawa), it armed and inspired pastoral Arab tribes to a campaign of ethnic cleaning in Darfur, and later Dar Sila. The ethnic composition of Dar Fongoro has changed since then: there are far more Chadian Arab tribes, far less Fur and Masalit. There were more killings to come, one fierce on 31st of March 2007 targeted mostly Daju villages. Trier and Marena were burned to the ground along with other villages by Janjaweed. One Kujarke village might have been also destroyed during this attack, or earlier or later. Their burnt village was located a few walking days NW of their hilly biotope. If all Kujarke fled, they would have chosen the same route. Thus, their present venue is the wider Goz Beida area. However, there their exact location, if there is one, is almost impossible to determine, as all the information can only be found through hearsay and small rewards offered. The news about the burning down of the Kujarke village comes from a French anthropologist Jerome Tubiana, who reports about his discussion with a village chief in Tiero, situated East of Goz Beida on the Wadi Azum, telling him that Arab Janjaweed destroyed, burned down a Kujarke village nearby. This news was the first confirmation in more than 25 years about Kujarke existing.

In 2012, the EU is supporting the return of refugees and IDP to Dar Fongoro; however, in their reports there is no word to be found about Kujarke or Fongoro.

Appendix 2: Classification of East Chadic languages
(modified after Blažek 2008, 135)

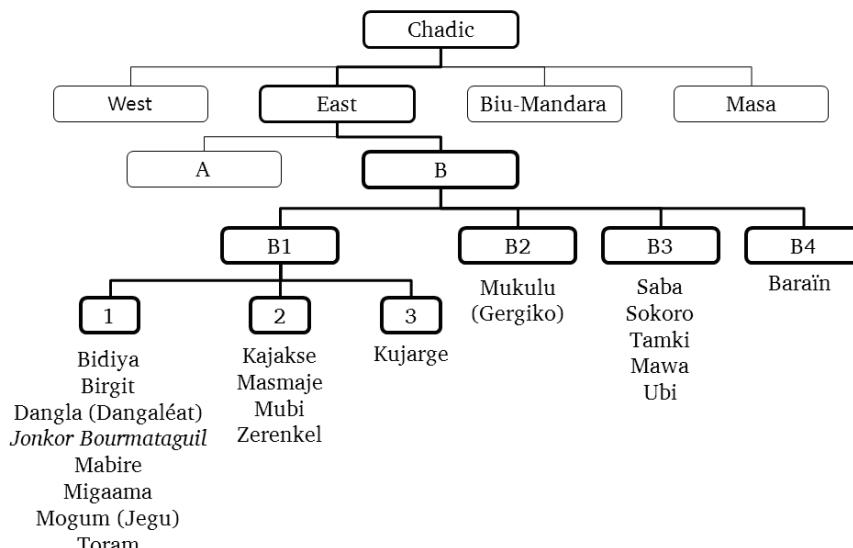
	Lele	Sumray	Tumak	Sokoro	Dangla	Migama	Bidiya	Jegu	Mubi	Mokilko	Kujarke
Kera	47	42	41	37	39	32	31	34	32	34	26.4
Lele		52	45	42	44	42	41	41	45	39	36.0
Sumray			58	40	40	44	39	41	43	39	35.2
Tumak				40	42	35	35	41	38	36	30.2
Sokoro					48	41	42	49	44	39	29.4
Dangla						70	70	70	58	42	42.0
Migama							70	70	53	42	38.5
Bidiya								63	53	41	37.2
Jegu									60	40	44.5
Mubi										40	47.2
Mokilko											33.7



Lovestrond (2012, 17) compares 18 East Chadic languages of Guera with Kujarke

Kujarge
 26 Zerenkel
 28 66 Mubi
 24 51 62 Masmaje
 30 53 56 60 Kajakse
 25 37 39 40 41 Birgit (Abgué)
 26 35 38 35 37 55 Mogum (Jegu)
 20 31 31 32 57 57 Toram
 27 38 38 37 38 50 52 42 Dangla (East)
 23 33 35 35 37 45 45 42 57 Bidiya (Tounkoul)
 24 38 40 36 36 46 50 44 56 56 Migaama (Baro)
 19 27 30 31 31 45 48 42 41 42 44 Mabire
 16 26 27 24 24 22 26 21 27 26 27 29 Ubi
 14 24 23 23 25 20 24 24 24 23 23 26 47 Sokoro
 15 27 26 24 28 23 28 26 26 25 25 28 45 70 Tamki
 12 26 24 24 28 24 26 27 23 25 25 26 46 61 67 Saba
 11 25 27 28 28 22 29 22 25 24 28 26 46 41 44 48 Mawa
 20 27 26 27 31 27 30 29 28 31 31 28 27 31 28 33 29 Baraïn (Jalkiya)
 9 16 16 14 16 13 15 11 16 16 14 12 14 15 14 17 15 15 Mukulu

On the basis of his results Lovestrond (2012, 21) offeres the classification scheme:



Appendix 3: Personal Pronouns of Kujarke vs. East Chadic

	1 sg.	2 sg. m.	2 sg. f.	3 sg. m.	3 sg. f.	1 pl. in./ex.	2 pl.	3 pl.
Kujarke	<i>annu</i>		<i>nigi ~ niki</i>		<i>era, ?nili</i>	<i>kɔne</i>	<i>kɔnij</i>	<i>ere</i>
Mubi	<i>nde</i>	<i>kám</i>	<i>kín</i>	<i>ar</i>	<i>tír</i>	<i>éné</i>	<i>kéné</i>	<i>kér</i>
Kajakse obj.	<i>?intè</i>	<i>kamtè</i>	<i>kintè</i>	<i>?akàr</i>	<i>tirte</i>	<i>?antè</i>	<i>?eetè</i>	<i>?ayar</i>
Jegu	<i>nôo</i>	<i>kee</i>	<i>kánêe</i>	<i>ŋaa</i>	<i>taa</i>	<i>ninee</i>	<i>kúnéè</i>	<i>ŋûu, yôo</i>
Bidiya	<i>no(-ora)</i>	<i>ki(-nda)</i>	<i>ka(-nda)</i>	<i>ŋa(-nda)</i>	<i>na(-nda)</i>	<i>ni(-nda)</i>	<i>ku(-nda)</i>	<i>yu(-nda)</i>
Migama	<i>náà(-tà)</i>	<i>kìi(-tà)</i>	<i>kâŋ/ kân-ta</i>	<i>gà(-tà)</i>	<i>gi(-tà)</i>	<i>kéé-tà/ níi-tà</i>	<i>kûŋ/ kùn-ta</i>	<i>gù(-tà)</i>
E.Dangla	<i>nō</i>	<i>kí</i>	<i>ká</i>	<i>ŋà</i>	<i>tyà</i>	<i>nì / ní</i>	<i>kú</i>	<i>ŋò</i>
Mokilko	<i>nùunó</i>	<i>kèe</i>	<i>kòn</i>	<i>yòdè</i>	<i>tòdè</i>	<i>kìné/kàyè</i>	<i>kùnè</i>	<i>kànè</i>
Ubi	<i>naara</i>	<i>cira</i>	<i>kerke</i>	<i>?àarà</i>	<i>?àtàarà</i>	<i>?inani</i>	<i>kunàŋ</i>	<i>?anàŋ</i>
Mawa	<i>no</i>	<i>ci / k<small>ɪ̄</small>g</i>	<i>ko</i>	<i>a, edi</i>	<i>aka, eter</i>	<i>ea / ne</i>	<i>kəŋ</i>	<i>ay</i>
Sokoro obj.	<i>na</i> <i>-no</i>	<i>ca</i> <i>-gi</i>		<i>bokaj</i> <i>-ga</i>		<i>ónoj</i> <i>-gene</i>	<i>kúnuj</i> <i>-guŋ</i>	<i>ániŋ</i> <i>-giŋ</i>
Barain	<i>unu / inu</i>	<i>kii</i>	<i>kee</i>	<i>kaa</i>	<i>tiŋ</i>	<i>aye / ane</i>	<i>kakuu</i>	<i>kuu</i>
Sumray	<i>indī</i>		<i>injim</i>		<i>anju</i>	<i>a/indi-ge</i>	<i>injim-ge</i>	<i>anji-ge</i>
Lele	<i>dàng</i>	<i>dìgi</i>	<i>dàmè</i>	<i>dài</i>	<i>dàdù</i>	<i>dàngà/ dàmì</i>	<i>dàngù</i>	<i>dàgè</i>
Kera	<i>ten</i>	<i>tam</i>	<i>te</i>	<i>wə, tó</i>	<i>a, tá</i>	<i>áŋ / áré</i>	<i>aŋ</i>	<i>ye, té</i>

Appendix 4: Personal pronouns in chosen Nilo-Saharan languages from the Chad-Sudan borderland

	1 sg.	2 sg.	3 sg.	1 pl.	2 pl.	3 pl.
Fur: subj.	<i>ka</i>	<i>ji</i>	<i>ie</i>	<i>ki</i>	<i>bi</i>	<i>iè-èŋ</i>
poss. sg.	<i>d-u-i-ŋ</i>	<i>d-i-i-ŋ</i>	<i>d-e-e-ŋ</i>	<i>d-a-i-ŋ</i>	<i>d-(w)i-è-ŋ</i>	<i>d-i-è-ŋ</i>
poss. pl.	<i>k-u-i-ŋ</i>	<i>k-i-i-ŋ</i>	<i>k-e-e-ŋ</i>	<i>k-a-i-ŋ</i>	<i>k-(w)i-è-ŋ</i>	<i>k-i-è-ŋ</i>
Biltine	<i>kai</i>	<i>dzidzai</i>	<i>dze</i>	<i>kí</i>	<i>wí</i>	<i>dzo</i>
Sinyar	<i>maa-le</i>	<i>ii-le</i>	<i>naa-le</i>	<i>cii-ŋge</i>	<i>sii-ŋge</i>	<i>nii-ŋge</i>
Fongoro	<i>ma(ki)</i>	<i>yi(ki)</i>	-?	<i>zey</i>	<i>iyegē</i>	-?
Sungor	<i>wa, wo</i>	<i>ī</i>	<i>ési, ísē</i>	<i>wē, wui</i>	<i>ai</i>	<i>ésiŋ</i>
Aiki (Runga)	<i>ámò</i>	<i>mɔ</i>	<i>tì</i>	<i>mì</i>	<i>kì</i>	<i>wì</i>
Daju Sila	<i>anay(-ga)</i>	<i>inij(-ga)</i>	<i>ma m.n. /če f.</i>	<i>kona /koska</i>	<i>iwe/uwe</i>	<i>sa ~ ha</i>
Berti	<i>su</i>	<i>negei</i>	<i>korei</i>	<i>sinan-</i>	<i>negan-</i>	<i>kuran-</i>
Zaghawa	<i>aái</i>	<i>na</i>	<i>bér</i>	<i>tōgɔi</i>	<i>nōw</i>	<i>ber</i>
Teda	<i>tɔbre</i>	<i>nubre</i>	<i>(ta)mure</i>	<i>tɔbra</i>	<i>nubra</i>	<i>mura</i>
Kanuri	<i>wu</i>	<i>ni</i>	<i>ši</i>	<i>andi</i>	<i>nandi</i>	<i>sandi</i>

Note: Fur & Amdang (= Biltine) ⊂ Fur family; Aiki (Runga) ⊂ Maba family; Sungor ⊂ Tama family; Daju Sila ⊂ Daju family; Berti, Zaghawa, Teda, Kanuri ⊂ Saharan family.

Appendix 5: Numerals of Kujarke vs. East Chadic

language	1	2	3	4	5
Kujarke	<i>kirre</i> ~ <i>kurwo</i>	<i>kurro</i> ~ <i>giriya</i>	<i>ubo</i>	<i>fada</i>	<i>biya</i> ~ <i>bija</i>
Mubi	<i>finé / fint^{lg}</i>	<i>síir / sîr^{lg}</i>	<i>súbà / súbâ^{lg}</i>	<i>fâdâ / fâddâ^{lg}</i>	<i>bî?yâ / bîdyâ^{lg}</i>
Zirenkel	<i>pinne</i>	<i>seri</i>	<i>subba</i>	<i>paða</i>	<i>bitja</i>
Kajakse	<i>finè</i>	<i>sir</i>	<i>sóòp</i>	<i>faat</i>	<i>fiddiyâ</i>
Toram	<i>kétâj</i>	<i>see</i>	<i>suub</i>	<i>fôoda</i>	<i>bêedya</i>
Birgit	<i>káydò</i>	<i>siírì</i>	<i>súúbù</i>	<i>fòòdì</i>	<i>bèèdyâ</i>
Jegu	<i>kee</i>	<i>shee</i>	<i>sup/b</i>	<i>food</i>	<i>bei</i>
Mogum	<i>kè m., kâ f.</i>	<i>sè</i>	<i>sup</i>	<i>poot</i>	<i>bey</i>
Mabire	<i>ke</i>	<i>ser</i>	<i>sup</i>	<i>pot</i>	<i>betday</i>
Bidiya (m./f.)	<i>ke?ej / kaðya</i>	<i>sîdì</i>	<i>subay</i>	<i>paða</i>	<i>bèe?ey</i>
Migama	<i>kádyì</i>	<i>sé:râ</i>	<i>súbbâ</i>	<i>pó:di</i>	<i>béédyâ</i>
Dangla	<i>kidá</i>	<i>séer(3)</i>	<i>súbbâ</i>	<i>pòòd</i>	<i>bèèdy</i>
Mokilko	<i>sòo</i>	<i>sîré</i>	<i>'ádó</i>	<i>piðé</i>	<i>páát</i>
Sokoro	<i>kéti</i> ~ <i>kérî</i>	<i>môru</i>	<i>súba / súbbâ^{Lk.}</i>	<i>pááda / fâda^{Barth}</i>	<i>bíýa / bì?â^{Lk.}</i>
Nacht.				<i>pa?áðâ/pâadâ^{Lk.}</i>	<i>bi?â</i>
SIL	<i>kétti</i> / <i>kerî</i>	<i>môðù</i>	<i>súbâ</i>		
Ubi	<i>piïna</i>	<i>muðu</i>	<i>suða</i>	<i>poda</i>	<i>beeja</i>
Mawa	<i>pwànnì / pøni</i>	<i>rap / rap</i>	<i>súp / sup</i>	<i>pat / pa:t</i>	<i>bi / bij</i>
Barain	<i>SIL</i> <i>L</i>	<i>panij</i> <i>fani</i>	<i>sidi</i> <i>siidi</i>	<i>subu</i> <i>subu</i>	<i>pudu</i> <i>fudu</i>
Sumray		<i>mán</i>	<i>sâr</i>	<i>súbù</i>	<i>wôðâ</i>
Miltu		<i>man</i>	<i>sa</i>	<i>sobo</i>	<i>wedi</i>
Ndam	<i>GD</i>	<i>mán</i> <i>minei</i>	<i>sá</i> <i>reje</i>	<i>sûp</i> <i>supu</i>	<i>wè:tî</i> <i>woro</i>
Gulei		<i>mün</i>	<i>hë</i>	<i>cuba</i>	<i>uori</i>
Tumak		<i>mâñ</i> <i>mòn</i>	<i>heè</i> <i>hë</i>	<i>sûùb</i> <i>sùb</i>	<i>wârî</i> <i>wôrî</i>
Sarwa		<i>muni</i>	<i>rei</i>	<i>sup</i>	<i>we</i>
Lele		<i>pìnà</i>	<i>sò</i>	<i>sùbù</i>	<i>pôrîj</i>
Nancere		<i>pònà</i>	<i>sùwæ</i>	<i>sâb</i>	<i>pârî</i>
Gabri / Dormo		<i>pòn / penâ</i>	<i>wô / saa</i>	<i>sùbù / subu</i>	<i>pôrbú / porin</i>
Kimre / Chire		<i>pòn / pon</i>	<i>wô / wô</i>	<i>subu / sôbu</i>	<i>pôrba / pôrba</i>
Kabalai		<i>pònà</i>	<i>sùwâ</i>	<i>sàp</i>	<i>pârî</i>
Kera		<i>mâñà('i)</i> <i>móná</i>	<i>hasi</i> <i>básí</i>	<i>soope</i> <i>sóópe</i>	<i>wa:de</i> <i>wâáde</i>
Kwang		<i>mín, míñ</i> <i>kélák min</i>	<i>rây, ráy, raⁱ</i>	<i>sûpây ~ sâbây</i> <i>sipaⁱ</i>	<i>wûdây ~ 'ùdây</i> <i>wuðâi</i>
					<i>widýim ~ 'ùdyí:m</i> <i>wi?yim</i>

language	6	7	8	9	10
Kujarke	<i>aygogobo ~ gamgubo</i> 3+3	<i>aygosadagobo ~ gafadagubo</i> 4+3	<i>bebene</i>	<i>tissa</i>	<i>kʌrup</i>
Mubi	<i>istàlà < A.</i>	<i>béesir</i>	<i>fàrbàt</i>	<i>férbinì</i>	<i>kúrúk</i>
Zirenkel	<i>istala < A.</i>	<i>besiri</i>	<i>parpöt</i>	<i>parpini</i>	<i>kuruki</i>
Kajakse	<i>istàlà < A.</i>	<i>mùryúk</i>	<i>mártá</i>	<i>dooso</i>	<i>kúryi ~ kúrwi</i>
Toram	<i>míkkà</i>	<i>bársùbà</i>	<i>màrtà</i>	<i>bárkey</i>	<i>'orrò</i>
Birgit	<i>mekke</i>	<i>basiri</i>	<i>martak</i>	<i>barakaido</i>	<i>kúrúk</i>
Jegu	<i>mik</i>	<i>paise</i>	<i>pórpide</i>	<i>baarket</i>	<i>'ɔrɔk</i>
Mogum	<i>mik</i>	<i>payse</i>	<i>porpide</i>	<i>barket</i>	<i>orrok</i>
Mabire	<i>mik</i>	<i>paise</i>	<i>porpade</i>	<i>barket</i>	<i>ora</i>
Bidiya	<i>pénke?</i>	<i>píisit</i>	<i>porpod</i>	<i>penda</i>	<i>'orrò</i>
Migama	<i>bízgídìyì</i>	<i>pàysárà</i>	<i>póppódí</i>	<i>pârnàkádyì</i>	<i>'ôrrò</i>
Dangla	<i>bidígédy</i>	<i>péésírá</i>	<i>pòrpòt</i>	<i>párníkà</i>	<i>óṛɔk</i>
Mokilko	<i>zót</i>	<i>sárát</i>	<i>gésírè</i>	<i>géssát</i>	<i>kòomá</i>
Sokoro Nacht. SIL/L	<i>bébēnī</i> <i>bépini/bèèfiní</i>	<i>bémōdu</i> <i>bémođù/bèèmòđ</i>	<i>béjiba</i> <i>béfiba/bèèsíp</i>	<i>béfada</i> <i>bépłdà/bèèfàd</i>	<i>óraga/órroka^{Ba.}</i> <i>óřkà / órká</i>
Ubi	SIL <i>beepene</i>	<i>beemuđu</i>	<i>porpođa</i>	<i>kojpane</i> (<i>koj</i> = «hand»)	<i>orok</i>
Mawa	<i>b̥a:pat</i>	<i>b̥amat</i>	<i>patpat</i>	<i>k̥apinikara</i>	<i>k̥a:yan</i>
Barain	SIL <i>dasumanij</i>	<i>dasisidi</i>	<i>dasusubu</i>	<i>dasumpudu</i>	<i>kur</i>
	L <i>dsumáui</i>	<i>desmsidi</i>	<i>desumsubu</i>	<i>desumfüdu</i>	<i>kur</i>
Sumray AF / (GD) / Nacht.	SIL <i>kubì</i> <i>kubi /</i> <i>dénā sir</i>	<i>wúrgá súbù</i> +3 <i>urusu/urgi supo^{GD}</i> <i>dénā sibù^{Nacht.}</i>	<i>dèná sór</i> <i>denāsr /</i> <i>dénā gúbí</i>	<i>dèná mán</i> <i>denāomen /</i> <i>dénā men</i>	<i>mwàtf</i> <i>moid /</i> <i>moj</i>
Miltu	Bruel <i>wegi</i>	<i>lak sup</i>	<i>welwel</i>	<i>disa mane</i>	<i>kwar</i>
Ndam	GD <i>ugi</i>	<i>wo subo</i>	<i>wodu wodu</i>	<i>disa mane</i>	<i>ankwar</i>
Bruel	<i>wegi</i>	<i>daksup</i>	<i>welwel</i>	<i>disa</i>	<i>kor</i>
Gulei	<i>wugi</i>	<i>dagsuba</i>	<i>úáruar</i>	<i>sámen</i>	<i>koär</i>
Tumak	<i>hùgi</i> <i>ùgi</i>	<i>dāg-sūùb</i> <i>dákṣùb</i>	<i>wāwāṛ</i> <i>wāwāṛ</i>	<i>bòsāmān</i> <i>bīsāmān</i>	<i>kò:r</i> <i>kwàr</i>
Sarwa	<i>ju biru min</i>	<i>ju esa re</i>	<i>marta</i>	<i>doso</i>	<i>doko</i>
Lele	<i>ménèj</i>	<i>mátòlíj</i>	<i>jurugù</i>	<i>célà</i>	<i>goro</i>
Nancere	<i>mònà</i>	<i>mátàl</i>	<i>pərpəndə</i>	<i>tʃélə</i>	<i>gùwàrà</i>
Gabri / Dormo	<i>jī</i> / <i>jis</i>	<i>júrgú /</i> <i>jurgum</i>	<i>mārgá /</i> <i>margum</i>	<i>tángesá /</i> <i>tigesu</i>	<i>mòtf</i> / <i>moid</i>
Kimre / Chire	<i>dʒi</i> / <i>jī</i>	<i>džurgəm /</i> <i>júrgum</i>	<i>margə /</i> <i>márgum</i>	<i>díngesə /</i> <i>tíngesū</i>	<i>mʷɔdʒ</i> / <i>mōdo</i>
Kabalai Hamm	L <i>ji</i> <i>dʒi</i>	<i>jurugum</i> <i>džərgum</i>	<i>margum</i> <i>margum</i>	<i>tegesu</i> <i>təgəs</i>	<i>guara</i> <i>gwara</i>
Kera	<i>kónákí</i>	<i>sééda</i>	<i>ásəgàn</i>	<i>támbòlà</i>	<i>mánhòr /</i> <i>sujku bási</i>
Kwang	L <i>sidəəj</i> <i>sidee</i>	<i>bokor</i> <i>bugur</i>	<i>ka"da</i> <i>kauda</i>	<i>bidaamna</i> <i>budabua</i>	<i>ruko^p</i> <i>rugúa</i>

Numerals in neighboring Nilo-Saharan languages and their close relatives

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Fur (< Arabic)	<i>díík</i>	<i>òù</i>	<i>iís</i>	<i>ònjàl</i>	<i>òòs</i>	<i>òsàndík</i> or <i>sitta</i>	<i>osan weu</i>	<i>osan is</i>	<i>osanoyjal</i> <i>tìisè</i>	<i>wèyè</i>
Amdang	<i>wòk</i>	<i>jnój</i>	<i>ít</i>	<i>ðnyół</i>	<i>wát</i>	<i>?a:</i>	<i>ókké:l</i>	<i>íffé:l</i>	<i>bɔrbɔr</i>	<i>bók</i>
Runga	<i>kʰan'da</i>	<i>mba</i>	<i>kʰazanya</i>	<i>attei</i>	<i>tur</i>	<i>izei</i>	<i>min'dirsi</i>	<i>mbakadelii</i>	<i>kʰaddel</i>	<i>jtuk</i>
Kibet	<i>do'wai</i>	<i>mbar</i>	<i>kʰasay'gal</i>	<i>?a:tal</i>	<i>tor</i>	<i>?i'sal</i>	<i>mindir'si?</i>	<i>mba:kʰl</i>	<i>kʰa'deijə</i>	<i>ju'tok</i>
Sungor	<i>kur</i>	<i>wári</i>	<i>écà</i>	<i>kús</i>	<i>mási</i>	<i>tòr</i>	<i>kál</i>	<i>kibís</i>	<i>úkù</i>	<i>mér</i>
Daju Sila	<i>óngón</i>	<i>bídák</i>	<i>kòdɔs</i>	<i>tìfɛ:θ</i>	<i>múduk</i>	<i>áràṇ</i>	<i>fáθíndí</i>	<i>kòánda</i>	<i>bisθánda</i>	<i>ás:m̩</i>

Note: Fur & Amdang (Biltine) ⊂ Fur family; Runga & Kibet ⊂ Maba family; Sungor ⊂ Tama family; Daju Sila ⊂ Daju family. The original Fur numerals “7”, “8”, “9” are quoted after Meinhof in his ‘Kondjara’.

Post scriptum: Final words of Paul Doornbos

(1) Near the end of his stay in Darfur in 1981, Paul Doornbos spent four or five hours with a father-and-son pair of Kujarké informants. Eliciting the Swadesh 100-list was hard because of poor hearing, poor Arabic and disagreements between father and son. The 101–200 Swadesh list was later volunteered by the inebriated son. Already then, the data looked suspect to his amateur eye.

(2) In 1981, their core area was seven hamlets on J. Mirra, located in the NW part of Chad’s Dar Fongoro region. They had outliers in Sudan at 2–3 days’ walking distance in multi-ethnic villages along the Wadi Saleh populated by non-Arab groups such as Sinyar, Runga, Fur, Daju and others.

(3) In 1981, the Sinyar had 18 clans/sections, one of which named Kijaar. On home-made maps their territory was much closer to J. Mirra than the other 17, suggesting intermarriage between Sinyar men and Kujarké women. Kujarké-speaking women may be found among other ethnic groups in that area at that time.

(4) A few details about Dar Fongoro in the 19th century can be found in R.S. O’Fahey, *State and Society in Dar Fur* (London, 1980). In the early 1920s, Dar Fongoro was bisected into French and Anglo-Egyptian colonial entities by an Anglo-French border commission described in 1925 in Lt.-Col. Grossard’s, *Mission de Délimitation de l’Afrique Equatoriale Française et du Soudan Anglo-Egyptien* (Paris, 1925). But it is poor on ethnographic or linguistic details.

(5) The Kujarké are not mentioned anywhere: neither in academic histories of Darfur or Dar Sila, nor in ongoing efforts by NGOs seeking EU-funding to resettle IDPs from Dar Fongoro now living in the Dar Sila/Goz Beida region in Chad.

(6) Dar Fongoro has long been associated with a climate hostile to farming and animal husbandry, with six months of too much water and six months without

any water at all. Instead, hunting and gathering (honey, the fruits and fronds of the doum-palm, hides and skins, live guinea fowl, etc.) offered whoever lived there a precarious existence. According to local lore in Foro Boranga, Sudan in 1981, anyone who moved there recently must have been on the run from the police. In the 1980s and 1990s, a combination of land hunger, ethnic conflict and climate change further north in Darfur led to the establishment in the Sudanese part of Dar Fongoro to new settlements of Fur, Masalit, Zaghawa and other ethnic groups.

(7) Ethnic conflict in Darfur exploded in 2003 and 2004 and has since then deeply affected the ethnic composition of the Chadian and Sudanese halves of Dar Fongoro. Members of ethnic groups seen by Arab tribes and the Sudan government to support the 2003 uprising (Fur, Masalit, Zaghawa) were ethnically cleansed from Sudanese Dar Fongoro. The indigenous population of Chadian Dar Fongoro saw an increase in Arab settlement and suffered from harassment by Chadian anti-government rebel groups.

(8) Today, the Kujarké most probably do no longer live along the Wadi Saleh or on their ancestral hill, but in Chad's Dar Sila/Goz Beida region in IDP or refugee camps, presenting themselves as Fur or Daju. French anthropologist Jérôme Tubiana met a village sheikh in the Tiero area, who told him spontaneously that during a major massacre in 2007 by Arab Janjaweed warriors against his Daju people, that a Kujarké village had also been burnt to the ground. This was the first confirmation in > 25 years of their existence.

(9) It is unlikely that Kujarké had a bright future as a living language even in 1981:

- (a) Their numbers may have been higher than the 1,000 suggested then, but the quarrels between father and son during the recording of the Swadesh-100 list, suggest that perhaps they already talked with each other and others in Fur, not Kujarké. The 101-200 list, weeks later elicited from the son, looked suspicious, even while recording it.
- (b) Intermarriage with larger language groups puts a tiny language at a disadvantage.
- (c) Kujarké loanwords: some occur in many other regional languages, such as *angereeb* for rope bed, a 19th century innovation from British India. *Maat* for 'die' is probably Chadic, not a loan. But other Arabic and Fur loanwords are rather central to any people's worldview. List them and ask yourselves why such key words were forgotten and had to be borrowed. My amateur conclusion is that this is/was a rapidly decaying language with very few speakers in 1981.

(10) How to proceed? If I had had more time in 1981, I would have looked for other speakers. Alas. Today only a clever, well-connected person can find the last Kujarké speakers. But what should he / she ask them?

Paul Doornbos
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