Illustration of IPA in Butbut Kalinga

Introduction

Butbut Kalinga is an Austronesian language spoken in Kalinga Province of Northern Luzon in the Philippines. It is part of the Central Cordilleran subgroup of Austronesian languages. Its Ethnologue code is [KYB] (Gordon 2005). The speakers themselves call the language 'Whinuthut'. The earliest linguistic effort done on the Butbut language were on initial phonology and morphophonemics by Tom Yoakum of the new Tribes Mission (ms.). The transcriptions in this article are based on the speech of Merlyn Goyya, a 21-year-old lady who has received formal education through 3rd year college. Her speech is representative of a variety of the Butbut language spoken by two of the villages of Butbut, in Butbut Proper and Buscalan. *The North Wind and Sun* text was also translated by Merlyn Goyya.

CONSONANTS

	Bilabial	Dental	Alveolar	Palatal	Velar	Glottal
Plosive	p b	t d			g	?
Nasal	m	ν			N	
Fricative			σ			
Approximant				φ	ω	
Lateral approximant			λ			

p	∪papa	Papa	Papa	'duck'
b	∪?akub¹	?agub	Akub	'bad smell'
t	∪tasa	Tasa	Tasa	'cup'
d	∪?að̞ad¹	?alad	Ayad	'fence'
γ	∪?itlug¹	?itlug	Itlug	'egg'
?	∪?aßa	?ama	Ama	'father'
μ	$\cup mas\tau\Sigma om$	masdom	Maschom	'peanut'
ν	na∪toφ	Natoj	Natoy	'dead'
N	∪Natu	Natu	Ngatu	'above'
σ	∪sara	Sana	Sana	'now'
j	∪pakoφ	Pagoj	Pakoy	'unhusked rice'
ω	pa∪dʒaω	Pajaw	pa∪jaw	'ricefield'
λ	∪lana	Lana	Lana	ʻoil'

Plosives

The voiceless plosives /p/ and / t/ and [k] are unaspirated. All plosives are unreleased in syllable-final position.

The voiced bilabial stop /b/ is realized as [h^w] in syllable-initial position, e.g. ['h^wah^wa] 'tooth', ['h^wurot'] 'cloud'. One exception is [h^wub'u'ðun] 'friend', which contrasts with [h^wuh^wu'ðun] 'companions'.

The voiced dental stop /d/ is realized as [tʃ] in syllable-initial position, e.g. ['tʃaða] 'blood'. One exception is [ma'd'an] 'old woman'.

The voice velar stop /g/ is realized as [k] in syllable-initial position, e.g. ['karas] 'appetite'.

Approximants

In initial syllable position $/\phi$ / is realized as $[\delta Z]$, e.g. $['dga\delta Za]$ 'cicada'. $/\omega$ / is realized as $[g^w]$ e.g. $['g^w$ asaj] 'axe'. One exception is ['howan] 'sneeze'.

Nasals

In intervocalic position the nasal /m/ is realized as [ß] e.g. ['?aßa] 'father', /n/ is realized as [r] e.g. [ka'ras] and /n/ is realized [y] e.g. [li'yot'] 'perspiration'.

Lateral approximant

The alveolar lateral approximant /l/ occurs in syllable-initial position when contiguous to a preceding coronal consonants, in geminate clusters, and when contiguous to /i/. When it occurs intervocalically not adjacent to the vowel /i/ it is [ð]. [ð] fluctuates freely with [l] in word-initial position e.g. $[\cup \eth a \gamma t^{-1}] \sim [\cup la \gamma t^{-1}]$ 'sky'. The younger generation would usually use [l] in word-initial position. /l/ is also realized as [1] when occurring syllable coda following /a/ or /o/ e.g. $[pu \cup ro 1]$ 'stout'. A sequence /a/ followed by /l/ is realized as a syllabic $[\mathfrak{F}]$ e.g. /tupal/ \rightarrow [tu'p \mathfrak{F}] 'to throw'

VOWELS

CI	Front		Central	Back
Close	ι			υ
Close-mid	(ε)			
Open-mid				0
Open			α	
α	∪para	Pana	Pana	'arrow'
ι	∪pirit	Pinit	Pinit	'wild berry'
	poN∪Not	poNNot	pongngot	'cassava'
υ	∪puras	Punas	Punas	'to wipe'

The phoneme /e/ is very rare. It occurs only in two onomatopoeic words: $[\cup ug^w eg^w e?]$ /?uwewe?/ 'the sound of a pig's squeal' and $[?ew \cup wew]$ /?ewwew/ 'the sound produced when a portion of rice stalk is pressed between the lips'. It also occurs in borrowed proper nouns.

ugwegwe'

'the sound of a pig's squeal'

STRESS

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∪ug^weg^we?

Stress is phonemic occurring on the penultimate or ultimate of a syllable of a word. The following words are minimal stress pair.

[ma∪rissu] 'to wash feet' [maris∪su] 'the same' [∪ipus] 'tail' [i'pus] 'maggot' [∪kaßan] 'why' [ka'ßan] 'bolo'

?uwewe?

TRANSCRIPTION OF RECORDED PASSAGE

'saʔad' ʔa'ru tʃa 'tuŋnin dʒa 'ʔirit' | narisi'ʔisitʃa nu ŋa'tʃan nan 'pig'sa ʔan tʃi'tʃa || ʔin'nilatʃa kun nan 'maŋhwaat gwaj nan'sisillup ʔas 'ʔobækot' | nan'tuŋtuŋtʃa gwaj nu ŋa'tʃan nan ʔu'ßura gwaj ma'ŋaan san 'ʔobækot' nan tʃi maŋ'hwaat | si'dʒa nan 'pig'sa || kun ʔu'ßura ʔas 'tuŋnin gwaj naŋi'sapsapuj | gwon ʔa'tʃi kun naʔa'ʔan san 'ʔobækot' na | gwon im'paʔotnaʔ ʔa'ßod' san 'loŋag'na nan 'ʔobækot' na || gwot ija'kaj 'tuŋnin gwaj mansa'puj || 'ʔawri kun | nisub'li ʔas 'ʔirit gwaj na'ŋig'ka san 'ʔatoŋna | gwot nari'ʔaan nan tʃi maŋ'hwaat san 'ʔobækot' na || kun ʔa'ran 'tuŋninon "'pig'saʔa 'tuwa 'ʔirit ʔan 'saʔon".

TUNGNIN JA INIT

Tungnin ja Init 001

sa'ad		Tungnin tungnin wind	3	J	?Init, ?init sun	nanisiisi?'cha nan-=CVCV=?isi?=cha TH/PFT=INS=quarrel=3PL/ERG
nu nu COND	ngachan ngachan Who	nan	pigsa pigsa strong	?an		

Tungnin ja Init 002

Innilacha inn- =ila =- TH/PFT=see=3Pl		nan mangy nan man- TRM <i>AG/IMI</i>	vhaat =whaat PFT=travel	gway		lup /C=silup PROG=shirt
as oberkot, nantungtungcha gway nu as oberkot nan-=tungtung=-cha gway nu ABS coat TH/PFT=agree=3PL/ERG LK COND						
ngachan nan ngachan nan who TR	um-=un	gwa a gwa PFT=first LK	y maN-	=?aan T=remov		oberkot oberkot coat
nanchi nanchi ANAPH	mangwhaat, nan man- TRM <i>AG/IMI</i>	=whaat PFT=travel	sija sija that's_it	nan nan TRM	pigsa. pigsa strong	

Tungnin ja Init 003

Kun umuna as Tungnin gway nanjisapsapuy

kun um- =una as tungnin gway naŋi- =CVC =sapuy SEQ AG/IMPFT=first ABS wind LK AG/TH/IMPFT=CONT=blow

gwon achi kun na?a?aan oberkotna gwon san gwon achi na-=CV=?aan kun san oberkot=-na gwon STAT/PFT=INS=remove LOC =3S/GEN but but NEG SEO coat

impa?otna amod san longagna nan oberkotna. longag=-na in-=pa?ot=-na amod san nan oberkot=-na TH/PFT=stick=3S/ERG very body =3S/GENLOC TRM coat =3S/GEN

Tungnin ja Init 004

Gwot iyakay Tungnin gway mansapuy.

gwot iyakay tungnin gway man- =sapuy SEQ stop wind RL AG/IMPFT=blow

Tungnin ja Init 005

kun nisubli Awni as Init gway nangigka san awni kun *nisubli init naN=igka as gway san SEQ RL AG/PFT=put later took turn ABS sun OBL

nani'aan gwot nanchi mangwhaat atongna, nani='aan nanchi atong=na gwot man-=whaat heat=3S/GEN SEQ IMM=remove ANAPH AG/IMPFT=travel

san oberkotna. san oberkot=-na LOC coat =3S/GEN

Tungnin ja Init 006

Kun ?anan Tungninon "Pigsa'a tuwa Init an sa?on". kun ?anan Tungnin=on pigsa =-?a tuwa init an sa?on SEQ said Wind =QM strong=2S/GEN really sun OBL 1S

Tungnin ja Init

Sa'ad anu cha Tungnin ja Init, nanisi'sicha nu ngachan nan pigsa an chicha. Innilacha kun nan mangwhaat gway nansisillup as oberkot, nantungtungcha gway nu ngachan nan umuna gway mangaan san oberkot nan chi mangwhaat, sija nan pigsa. Kun umuna as Tungnin gway nangisapsapuy gwon achi kun na'a'an san oberkotna gwon impa'otna amod san longagna nan oberkotna. Gwot iyakay Tungnin gway mansapuy. Awni kun nisubli as Init gway nangigka san atongna, gwot nani'aan nan chi mangwhaat san oberkotna. Kun anan Tungninon "Pigsa'a tuwa Init an sa'on".

The North Wind and Sun

As for they Wind and Sun it was said they argued as to which of them is the strong (one). When they saw a traveler who was dressed with an overcoat they agreed that whoever will be the first to be able to remove the overcoat of the traveler, he is the strong (one). Wind was the first to blow-strongly but (the traveler) did not remove his overcoat but (instead) held (lit. stuck) all the more (lit. much/great) his overcoat to his body. So Wind stopped to blow. Then Sun took his turn to strongly shine (lit. put his-heat) so the traveler immediately removed his overcoat. And Wind said, "Truly you are stronger than me Sun".