

Modern Research of Geolinguistics in Lithuania: the Optimisation of the Network

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**PROJECT “Modern Research of
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and Interactive Spread of Dialectal
Information”**

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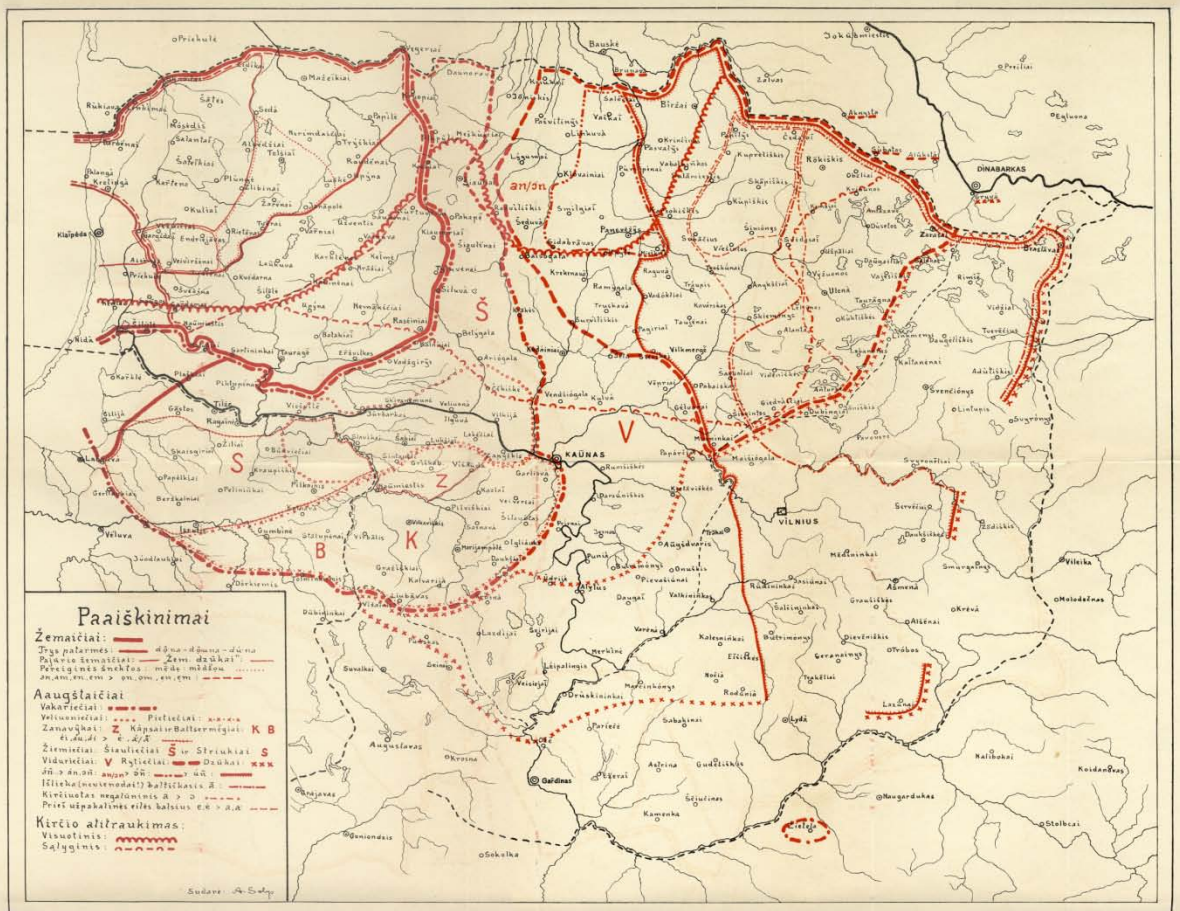
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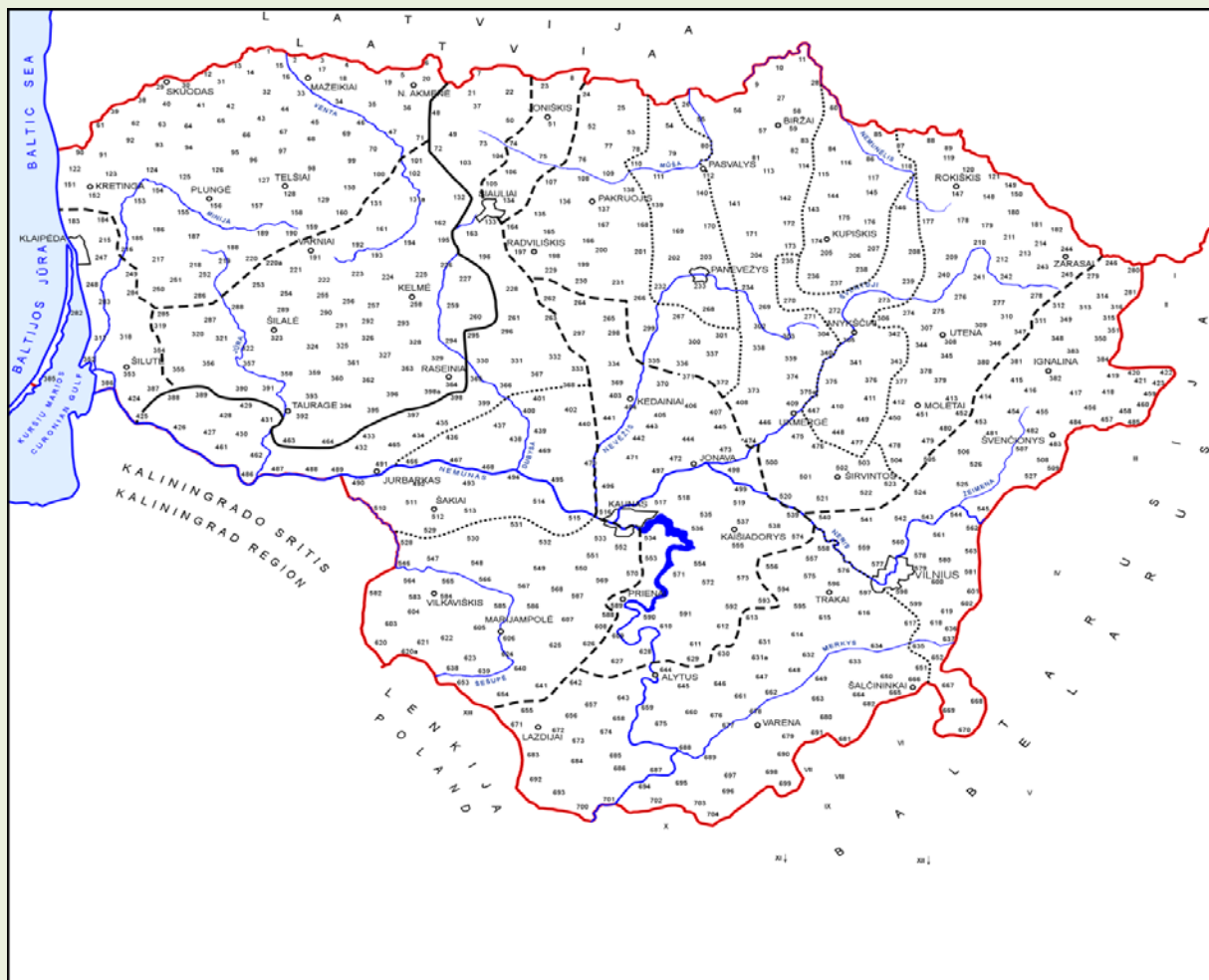
The aim of the research:

- 1) to collect and to publish new materials from all central and peripheral Lithuanian dialects;
- 2) to specify the boundaries of dialects and subdialects of Lithuanian language;
- 3) to collect the most important sociolinguistic data from all the area of Lithuanian language and carry out initial analysis of the data

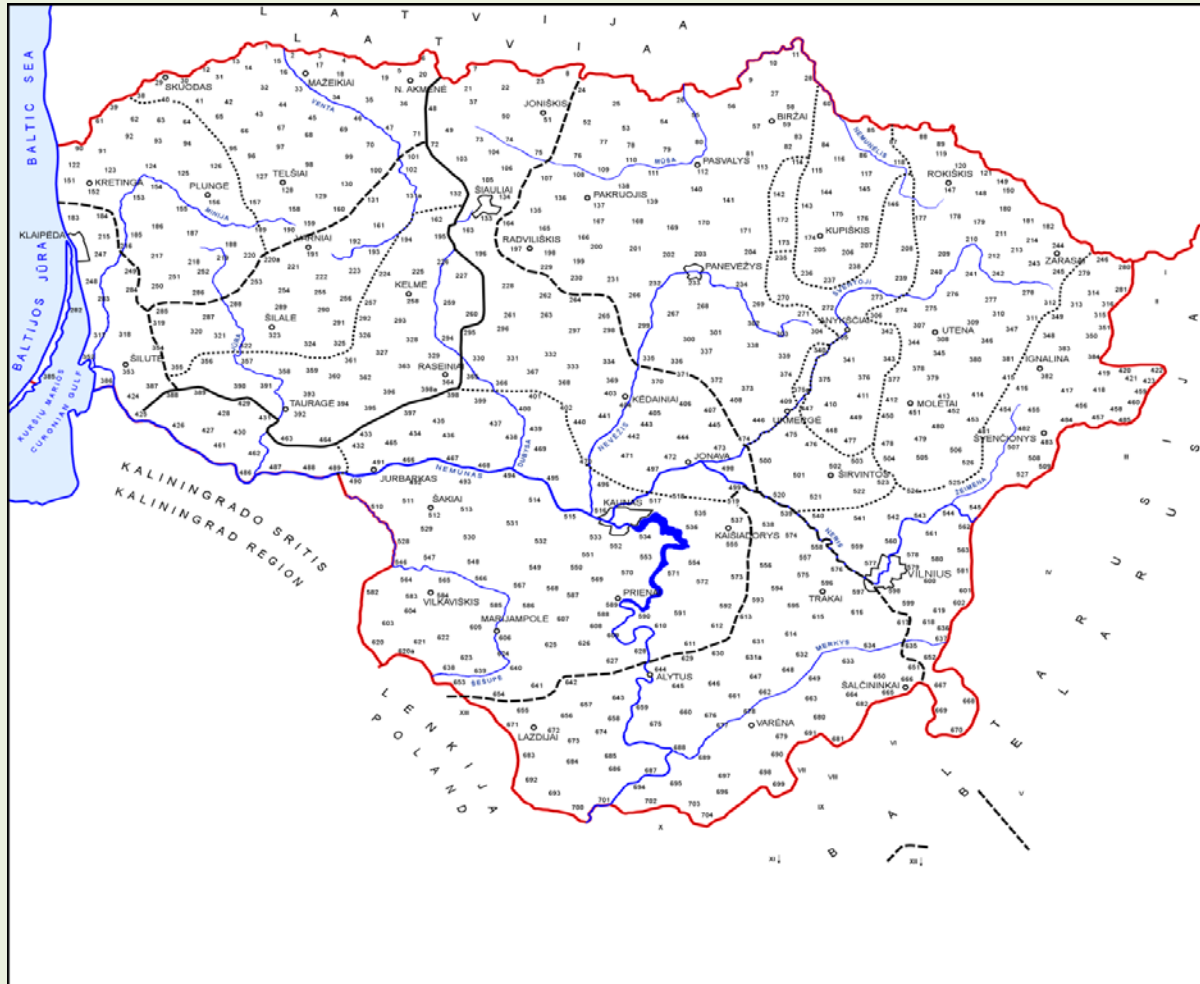
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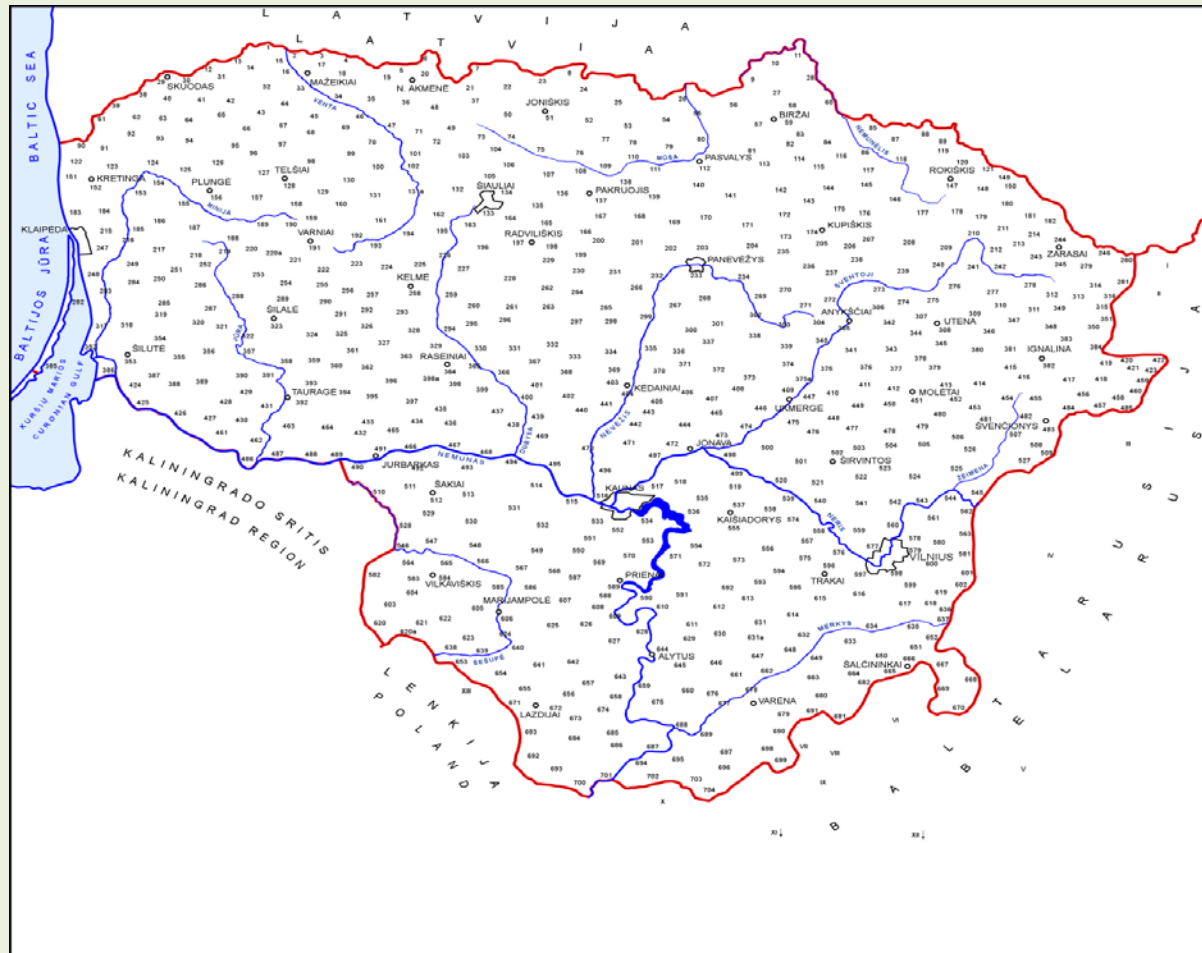


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Expected results:

- 1) Optimised atlas points and compiled computer database of the points (750: 735 in Lithuania and 15 outside its territory).
- 2) Developed database of dialectal audiorecordings (5,400 hours; 6 interviewes x 1.5 hors each in every existing point).
- 3) Completed sociolinguistic database (number of completed questionnaires 3,600).
- 4) Initial processing of dialectal data and map cartography (14 maps and their commentaries).
- 5) Preparation of materialfor press and publication (60 aut. l.)

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Objectives of the research:

- 1) perform examination of all 735 points in Lithuania and 15 points abroad (identify extinct and register new ones);
- 2) optimise the network of points for further research;
- 3) develop methods of sociolinguistic and geolinguistic research of dialects;
- 4) from the optimised network of points, collect pilot, digital and audio recordings (at least 6 recordings of 1.5 hours from every point)

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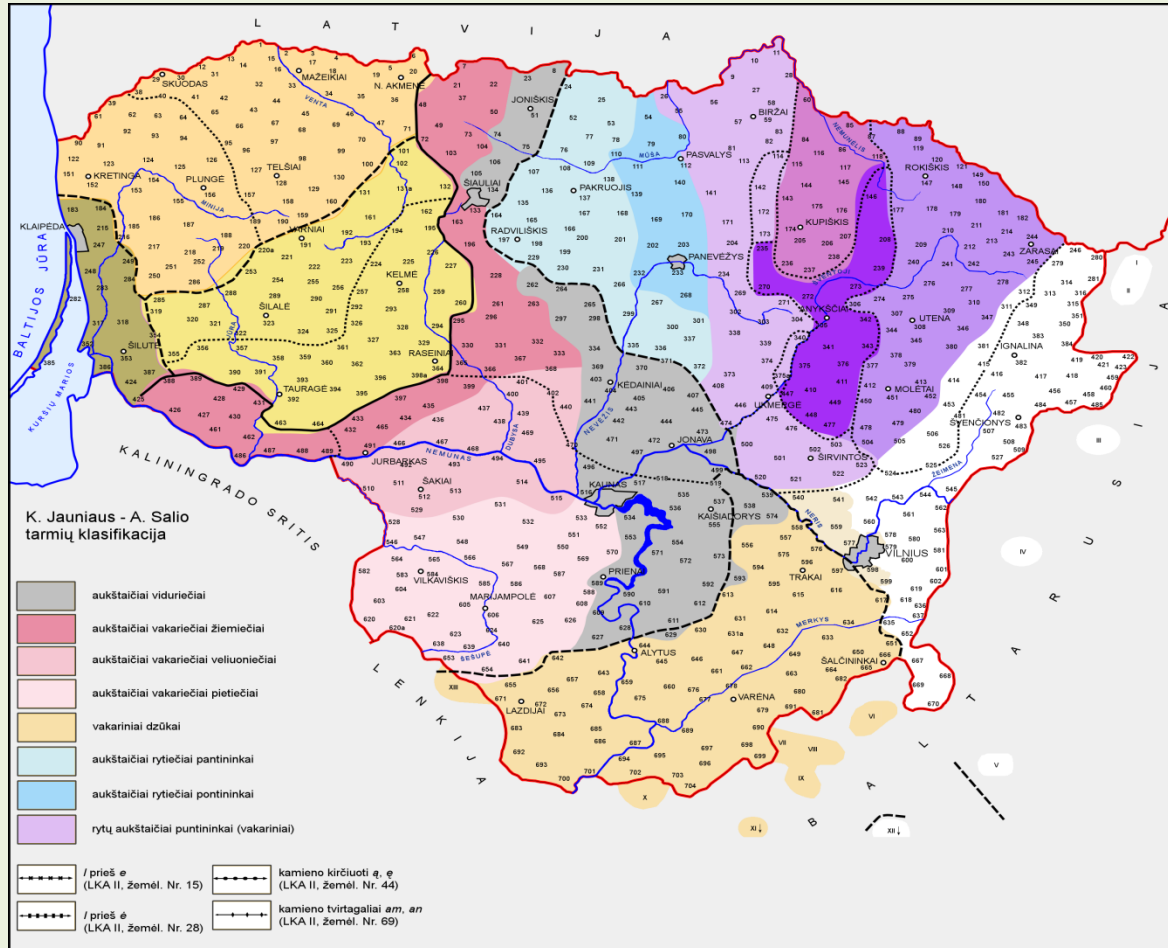


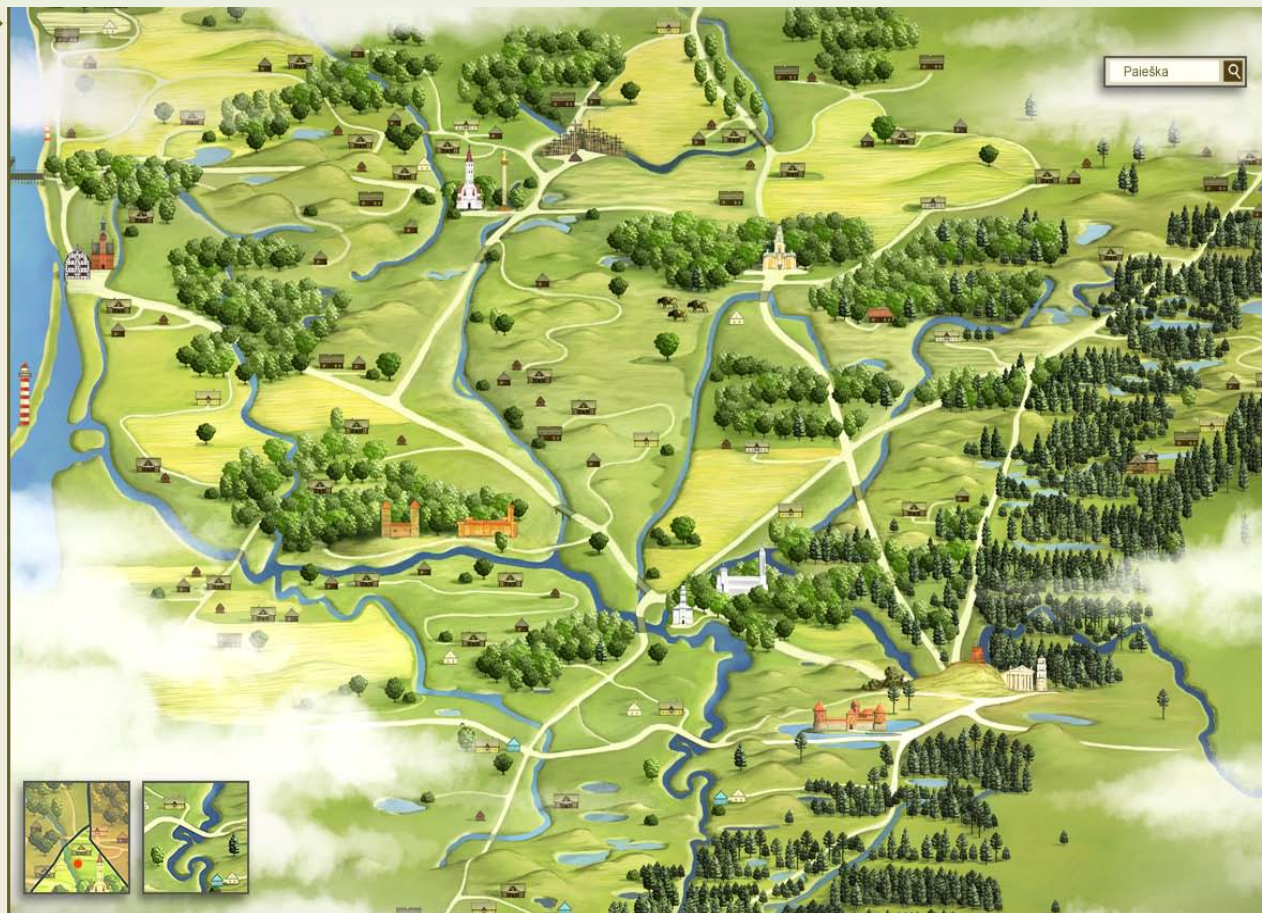
5) compile archive of digital recordings of Lithuanian dialects of the beginning of the 21st century based on the recordings, carry out an initial phonetic analysis that would enable

- to specify boundaries of dialects and subdialects;
- perform initial analysis of sociolinguistic and geolinguistic dialectal data;
- based on the results, prepare and publish an atlas *Dialects of Lithuanian Language in Early 21st Century: Geolinguistic and Sociolinguistic Research (Maps and Comments)*;
- compile a new interactive map of Lithuanian dialects (with specified boundaries of dialects and subdialects).

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