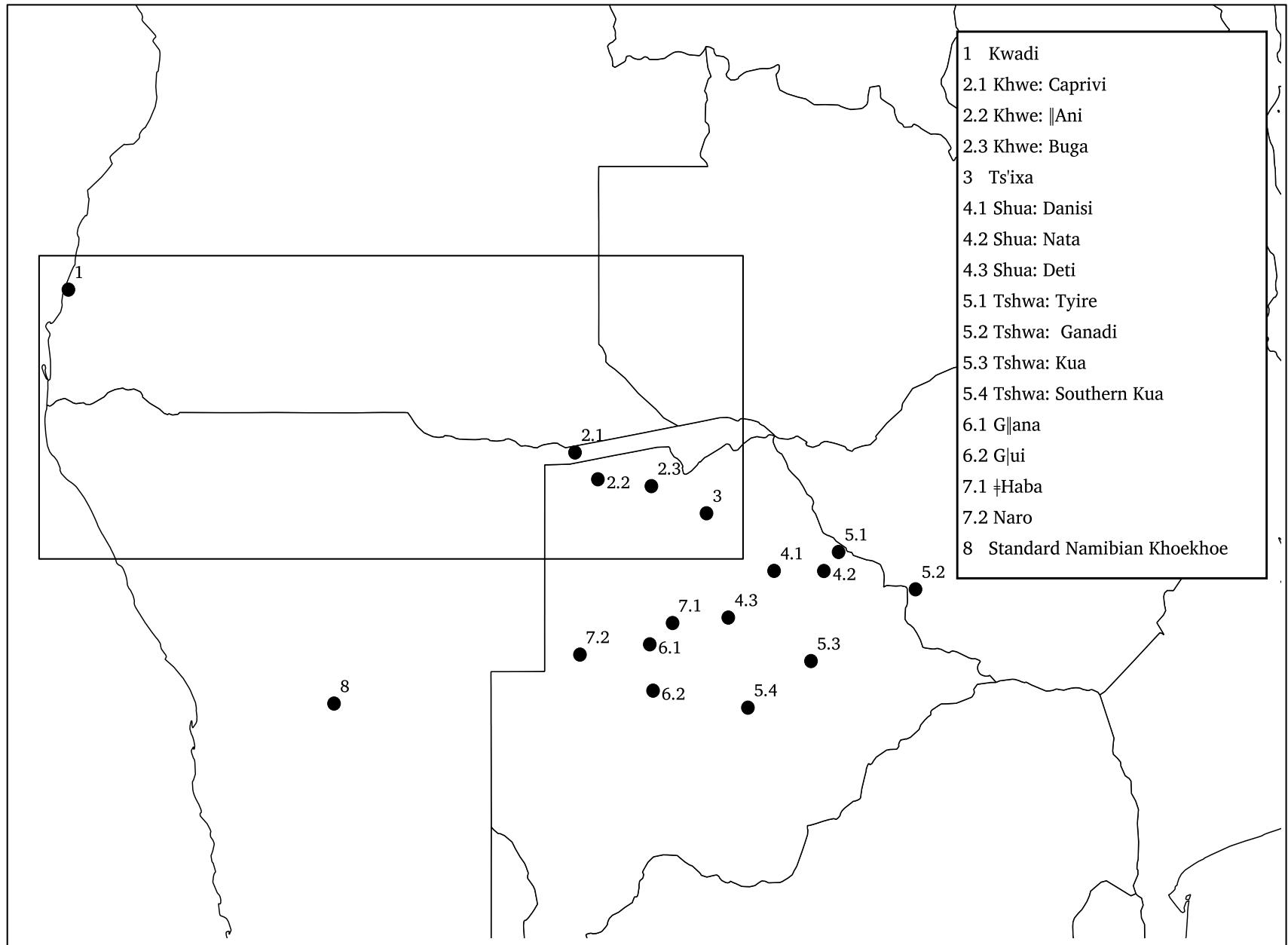


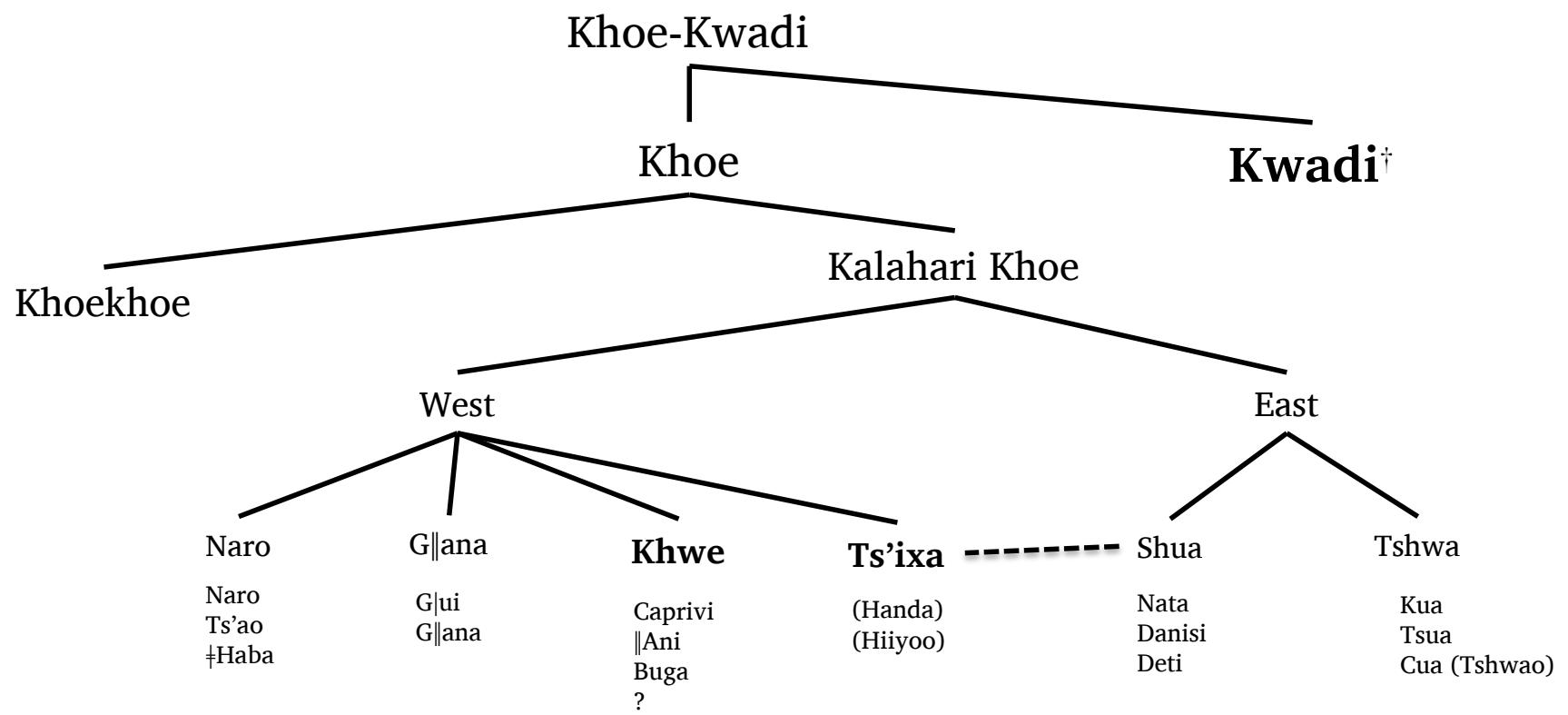
Kwadi and Khwe (Khoe-Kwadi)

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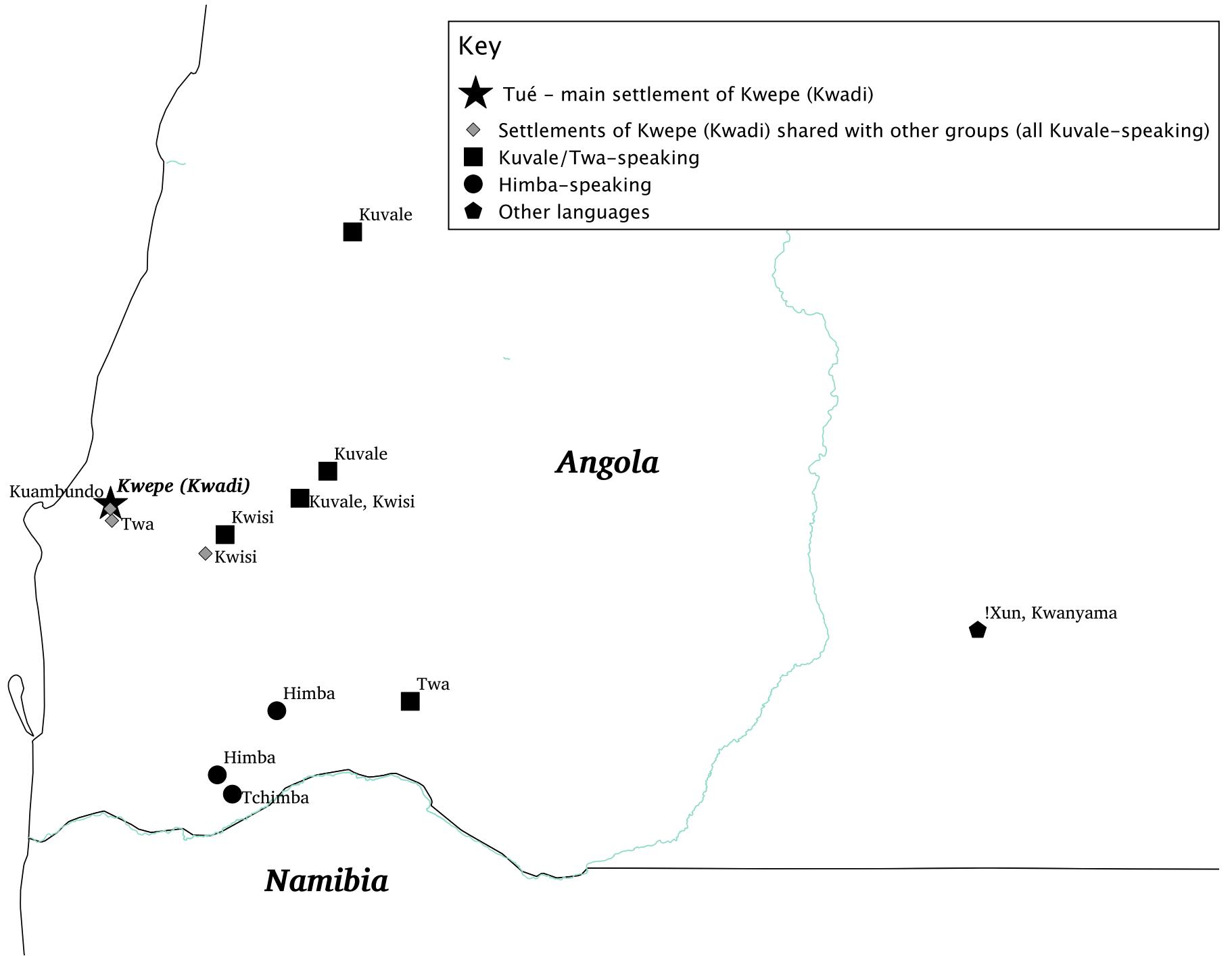
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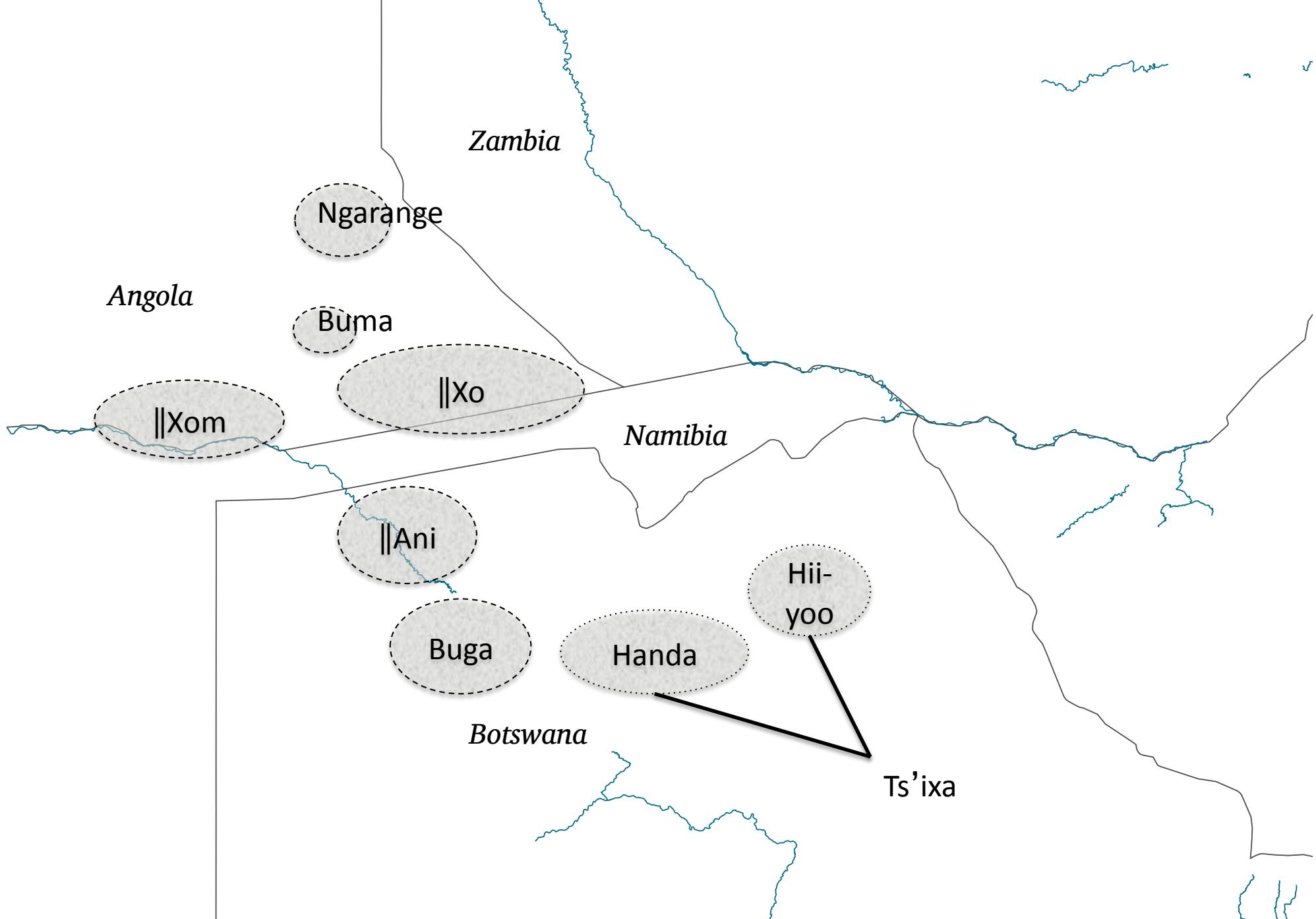
1.1. Kwadi: Background

- formerly spoken in southwestern Angola, south of Namibe
- restricted to pastoralists who use “Kwepe” as term of self-reference
- occasional references in Portuguese sources from the 17th century onwards
- anthropological context referred to by Estermann and Almeida, linguistic data recorded by A. de Almeida (during 1950s), E.O.J. Westphal (see, e.g., 1964/5, n.d.a-b) and G. Gibson (during 1970s)
- less than ten speakers during documentation attempts in the mid-20th century
- two rememberers discovered in 2013 by J. Rocha, systematic attempts at recording in 2014
- language shift to Kuvale (Bantu, ?R.30~?R.10) has been completed

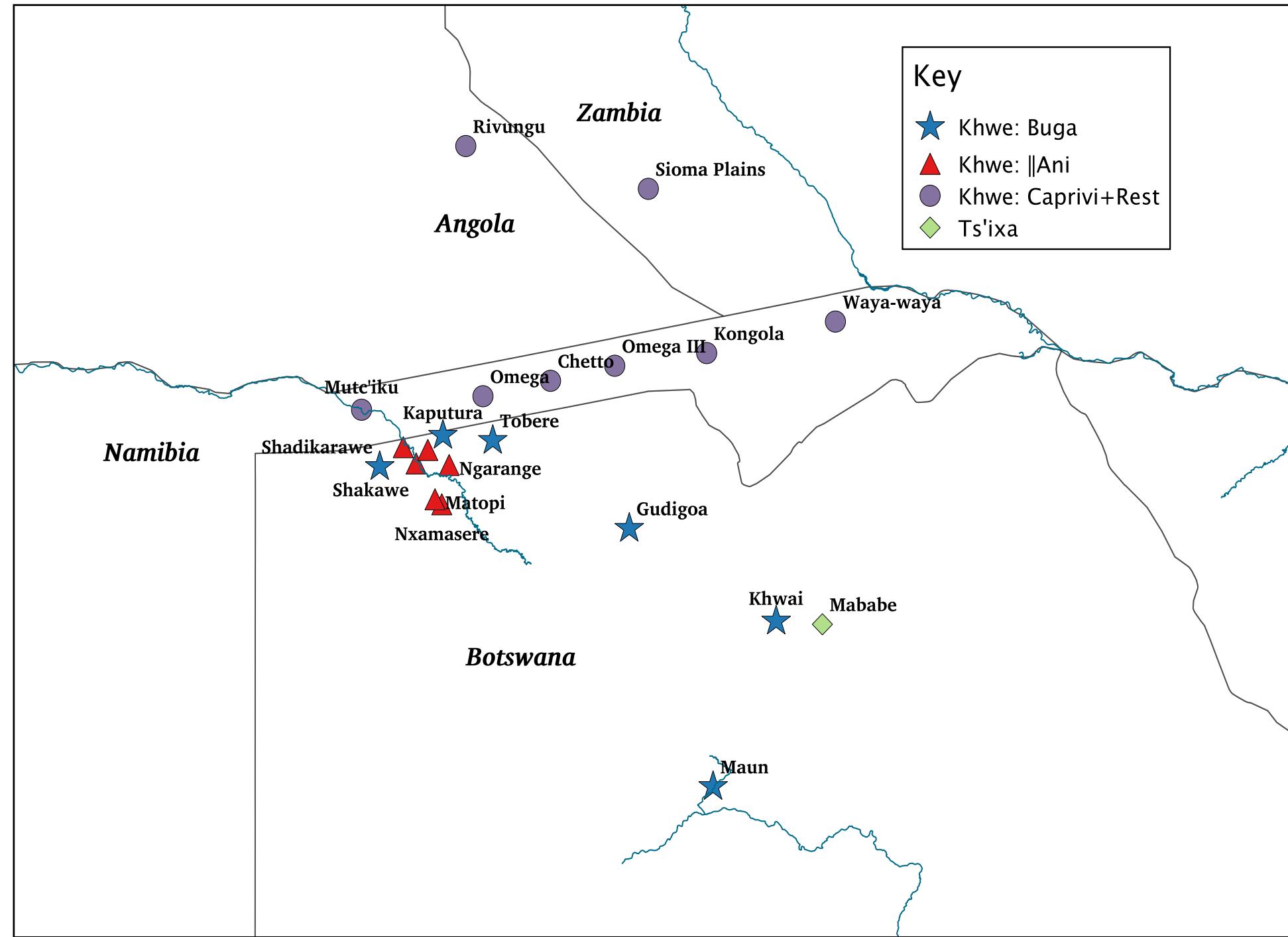
1.2. Kwadi: Classification History

- considered to be an isolate (Westphal 1962, 1963) or a distant relative of the Khoe languages (Westphal 1965, 1971; Köhler 1981); Ehret (1982) speculates about a link to Eastern Kalahari Khoe, possibly based on shared patterns of click loss
- Güldemann establishes a higher order unit Khoe-Kwadi, based on morphological (Güldemann 2004) and lexical correspondences (Güldemann & Elderkin 2010)

2. Khwe and Ts'ixa



Distribution of Khwe and Ts'ixa in the 19th century (Brenzinger 1998, 2013)



Modern distribution of Khwe and Ts'ixa (cf. Brenzinger 2013)

2.1.1. Background: Khwe

- Khwe formerly spoken in southeastern Angola and western Zambia, in the Caprivi Strip along the Okavango River, and in and around the Okavango Delta in Botswana
- seriously affected by independence and civil wars in Angola and Namibia (Boden 2003, Brenzinger 2010)
- present-day distribution across Caprivi Strip and northern Botswana; some speakers in Platfontein and Schmidtsdrift, South Africa
- ca. 7000-8000 remaining speakers (Brenzinger 2013)
- possible reduction of former dialectal diversity (Brenzinger 1998, Kilian-Hatz 2008), present day dialect situation unclear; available material suggests a minimum differentiation between the variety of the West Caprivi, Buga in northwestern Botswana, and ǁAni in the Okavango Delta

2.1.1. Background: Khwe

- thorough linguistic and ethnographic description of the Khwe of the Caprivi Strip (henceforth: “Caprivi”) through Köhler, Kilian-Hatz, Brenzinger and Boden
- description of ||Ani by Heine (1999), treatment of selected aspects by Vossen; ongoing (?) documentation project by F. Wilkening; existing field notes include texts by Brenzinger (n.d.), Fehn (2011-2013), and McGregor & Fehn (2013)
- some material on Buga in publications by Vossen, field notes by Fehn (2011-2013) and McGregor & Fehn (2013); ethnographic aspects dealt with in Taylor (2000)
- Vossen (1997) notes “G|anda” as name for the variety spoken in Khwai (Botswana); it is tentatively suggested here that G|anda is not a dialect in itself, but a local variant of Buga
- Contact patterns: Caprivi and northern Buga speakers in contact with Mbukushu (Bantu K.333); ||Ani in contact with Yei (Bantu R.40), ||Ani and southern Buga in contact with Tswana (Bantu S.31); varying degrees of influence from Ju on all varieties

2.1.2. Background: Ts'ixa

- Ts'ixa formerly spoken in Chobe National Park, Botswana; nowadays restricted to Mababe village, eastern fringe of the Okavango Delta
- speech community was severely affected by sleeping sickness in the 19th and 20th centuries (see also Bolaane 2002, H.-J. Heinz n.d.), probably considerable reduction of population size
- ca. 200 remaining speakers
- three population groups (Handa, Hiiyoo, Danisi), possibly referring to different places of origin (?and linguistic affiliation) of the present-day inhabitants of Mababe
- considerable degree of idiolectal variation, but no conceivable dialects
- ties to Shua in the east, but at present, interaction mostly restricted to Buga of Khwai, ca. 30 kilometers to the west of Mababe; in the past, interaction and intermarriage with the ||Ani of the eastern Delta was common
- description by Fehn (2014), some data in selected publications by Vossen; ethnographic aspects touched upon in Taylor (2000)
- Contact patterns: some loanwords from Yeyi (Bantu R.40), Kalanga (S.10, prob. entered through Shua) and Tswana (S.31), structural influence from Ju

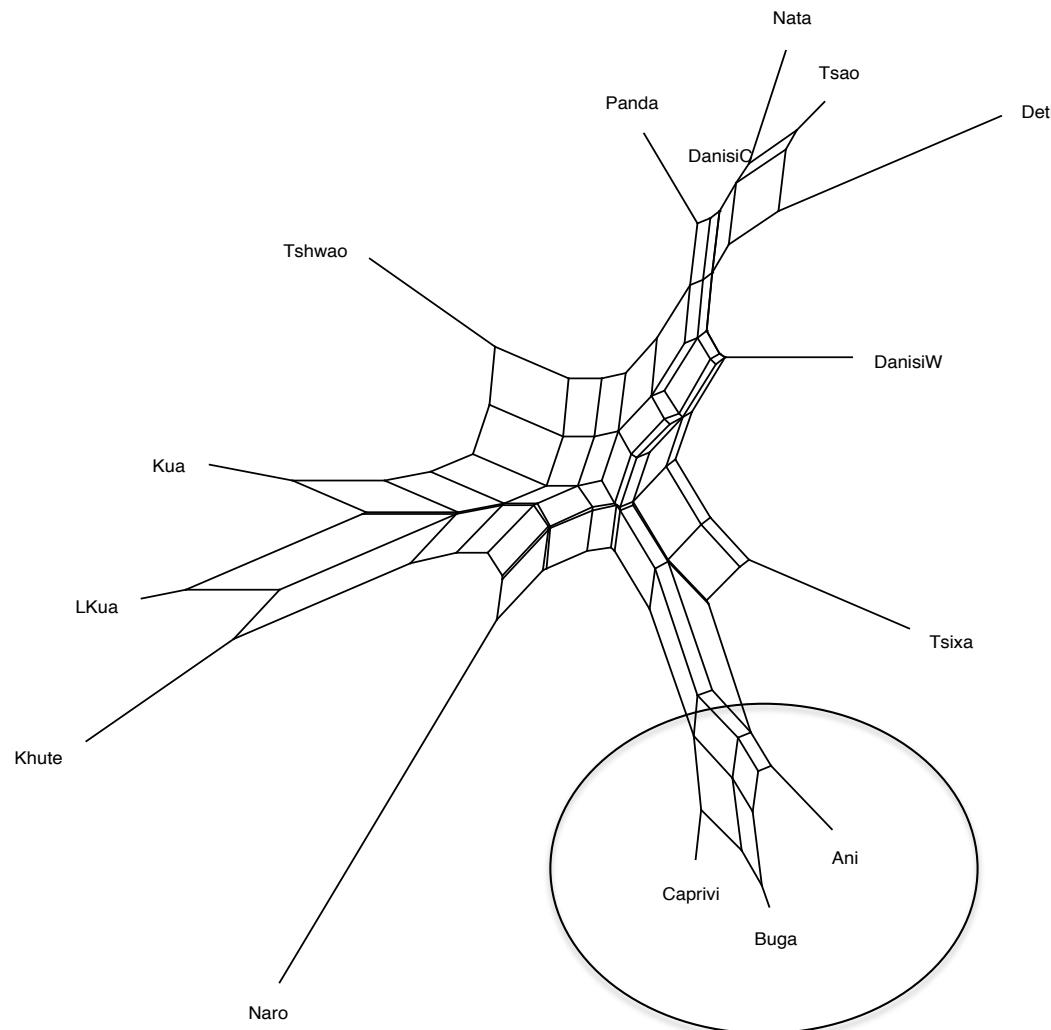
2.2.1. Classification History: Khwe

- classified by Köhler (1962, 1963, 1971) as one of five subgroups within Khoe, consisting of seven individual dialects (*Kxoe, Bumakhoe, Bogakhoe, //Kanikxoe, Garikwe, Goekwë, Galikwe*)
- classified as north-western group within Westphal's (1963, 1971) Tshu-Khwe, consisting of four individual dialects (*Handa, G//ani, Buka, Xu*)
- lexical outlier within the Non-Khoekhoe group (Winter 1986, Vossen 1997: 391)
- classified as dialect cluster within Kalahari Khoe West (Vossen 1997), consisting of four individual dialects (*Kxoe, //Ani, Buga, //Anda*)

2.2.2. Classification History: Ts'ixa

- classified by Köhler (1962, 1963, 1971) as a member of the Shua dialect cluster
- classified as dialect of Westphal's (1963, 1971) north-western Tshu-Khwe, i.e., as a dialect of Khwe (referred to as *Handa*, see above)
- classified as a dialect of Shua within Kalahari Khoë East (Vossen 1997), along with Danisi, Deti, |Xaise and Cara
- intermediate position between Khwe and Shua considered to be result of linguistic convergence (cf. Westphal 1963; Vossen 1991, 2011)
- reconsideration of affiliation to Shua and Kalahari Khoë East; affinities to Kalahari Khoë West (gender-number markers as specific articles, case distinctions, pragmatically determined word order variation); contact influence from Non-Khoë (Ju) (Fehn 2014, Güldemann 2014, Güldemann & Fehn forthc.)

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Shua

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Khwe

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