#### Bulgarian Folk Songs in a Digital Library

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- Institute of Mathematics and Informatics, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (BAS)
- Institute of Art Studies, BAS
- Institute for Ethnology and Folklore Studies with Ethnographic Museum, BAS
- Faculty of Mathematics and Informatics, Sofia University "St. Kliment Ochridski"
- Department Informatics, New Bulgarian University



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http://www.math.bas.bg/or/nkirov/2010/folk/FOLK.html

# Description Sources

The sources for our collection are the archives from:

- National Center for Intangible Cultural Heritage at the Institute for Ethnology and Folklore Studies with Ethnographic Museum, and
- Institute of Art Studies.

They are a part of the scientific heritage of Prof. **Todor Dzidzev** – over 1000 songs from Trakia region that were recorded and written down during the 60s and 70s of XX century.

## Description Sources

 About 2000 pages with typewritten text of songs and handwritten notes

```
AVDIE OTH MELINE HOM MAME.
                 Ав ра бих мадых при мама
                                              T2-136, 1,16
                колаво почнем да мажем
                аз мажа ти го пенадза:
                MOPREO TOSPHON HA HARR
                BONNS ON DOME ISTATO .
                на мене доват отонните
   Пед Стопи Гьоргев Гайдаров от с. Победа, Ямболско,
р. 1895 г. Записах и нотиреж Тодор Динд ков.
```

## Description Sources

- 27 old magnetic types with original performances of songs
- 13 note-books with handwritten texts of the songs and additional notes



Digital Representation - Notes

The notes are presented in a form of LilyPond coding (plain text files).

```
\score · { ¶
\relative·c'.{ ¶
\tempo · 4 · = · 144¶
\time .2/4¶
d4.f.|.\acciaccatura.f8.g2.|.d4.f.|.g2.|¶
\varA¶
·\acciaccatura a8\startTextSpan q4\glissando f16( ees c8) ·\stopTextSpan | d4 f | 4
\varB¶
·\set·Score.measureLength·=·#(1v:make-moment·3·4) ¶
·s4\startTextSpan·q2\stopTextSpan·| ¶
·\set·Score.measureLength·=·#(1v:make-moment·2·4) ¶
f8 ( ·e^"(v) ") ·d4 ·d2 ·d4 ·d¶
\bar."|.".s8.\fixB.gis.4.\fixC.s8.\bar."|."
\endm¶
\varA¶
·q'8\startTextSpan\prall(.f).f16([.e.c8)].\stopTextSpan.\bar."||"
\varB¶
.q'4.\startTextSpan(.a8).\stopTextSpan.\bar."||"¶
\varB¶
.q4.\startTextSpan(.f8).\stopTextSpan.\bar."|."¶
```

Digital Representation - Notes

Print view of the song's notes (pdf and eps files).



Digital Representation - Text

The texts and meta-data of the songs are stored in the library of the form of LaTeX coding (plain text files).

```
%Ежте·ми, ·пейте, ·пилянца¶
%Ha·xopo¶
%Джиджев: хороводни¶
\begin{multicols}{2}¶
Ежте ⋅ми, ⋅пейте, ⋅пилянца, ¶
дурде · сти · малки · при · мама . ¶
Аз, \cdotга \cdotбях \cdotмалка \cdotпри \cdotмама, \P
бяла · бих · като · кадъна , · (2) ¶
червена · като · ябълка : ¶
където ⋅ ходя, ⋅ все ⋅ пея, ¶
в градинка вляза и пея! ¶
когато • тръгнем • на • нива , ¶
всяка си земе летето. ¶
на мене дават стомните! ¶
\end{multicols} \{
\singer{Пял: ·Стоян ·Гьоргев ·Гайдаров} ¶
\village{c.·Победа}¶
\area{Ямболско}¶
\year (1895) \!
```

Digital Representation - Text

Print view of the song's text (pdf and ps formats).

Ежте ми пейте пилянца, дурде сти малки при мама. Аз га бях малка при мама бяла бих като кадъна, червена като ябълка, където ходя все пея, в градинка вляза и пея. А сега пиленца, а сега, даде ма майка ми, даде ма през девет села в десето при девет млади итърви и девет зълви се моми,

едно ми младо деверче и една ми стара свекърва. Когато почна ляп да меса, аз меса тя го премиса; когато почна да пера, аз пера тя го препира; когато почнем да межем, аз мажа тя го премазва; когати тръгнем на нива всяка си земе детето, на мене дават стомните.

Digital Representation - Music

- The music records consist of authentic performances of folk songs, digitized from old magnetic types (MP3 format files)
- Music, produced by LilyPond system computer interpretation of the notes (MIDI files)

Digital Representation – Manuscripts

The handwritten note-books from the research expeditions are presented in a form of page images (jpg format files)

```
20 n Hanonjeans
                                                     He moaden ( De chamby cus)
  Pare e Padre parung
                                            Kanbo e rydo emagaso
Bre Fene Barga roxlus
 Passure Parna mered your
neman He Slxa nonen &
 Womenu is notionmen
                                            3011
                                                    49 Moasem
 Payo e parna jaxuas
                                             Pri Bonas bonne frame
  ere bean merya za lodg
                                     Barna Naybego Vilo Bene ge to Nork like get to Nork like get to Nork like get to Nork like get to town
 Om viex a of The Dynala
 Carryers Da & He budy
                                           Ula Hame de emma gajayza
  - one wecky
                                             mak leas besury
  El Ha Getomo Bestine
                                              Care in restue bonne
                                             the Hays 40 com
27 A ( Yas news on gos can & you?)
                                                    He xopo (mjenesta
 Mana Enna maeme
                                             Scenary paux Kaniba
 Walne wome wans
  Zano con Jongepso
  The ga ca ognermen
                                            32 M. Ha Kopo (elembazam)
          Ila masen
                                             Pyen Pyen merne Pyes sucone Paguera Paguera co merca Pyen sucone
  Робичи бели бытарки
```

#### Meta-data

Based on the expertise of the scientific team of the project the following meta-data components of recorded and notated folk songs were identified and defined:

- title
- context implementation
- genre of the song on a functional basis
- name, date and birthplace of the singer
- name of the recorder
- place and time of the recording

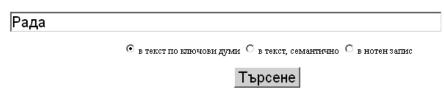


#### Search Engine

The presented here search engine can be used as web application for keyword-based searching in our library. The folklore songs are provided as an index of digital content – lyrics, notes and images. This engine could be used by professionals in the field of folklore research to look for common motives, characters and similarities between different songs. These could be songs from different parts of Bulgaria, variants of the same song or simply common keywords.

#### Search Query

The search engine provides a Google-like web interface that would be used for searching in the library. It uses a search phrase (query) which could contain data as well as meta-data.



Търсене в 1071 български народни песни

#### Search Result Table

# The search result table contains the songs that match a given search query

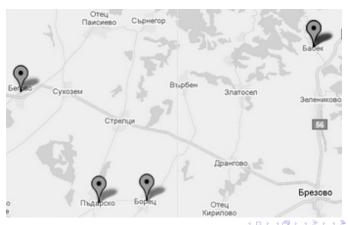
#### Резултати от търсене за: Ежте

Код на песента	Съвпадение	Контекст		Lilypond нотен запис		нотен	Изпълнение	МШОІ музнка	Изображения
td 136_1_16		Ежте ми, пейте, пилянца %На хоро %Джиджев: хороводни tbegin{multicols}{2} Ежте ми, пейте, пилянца, дурде сти малки при мама Аз, га бях малка при мама, бяла бях като	.txt	Ĵу	.pdf	_eps	.mp3	.midi	
td_139_2_10	0.50	%Йелка момаре дойдаха %Седенкарска (на летни попрелки) %Джиджев седенкарски Юведіпмайка Ч(н) посрещна и на момаре думала:  Ежте и пийте, момаре, и си със здраве.	.txt	Ĵу	pdf	.eps	.mp3	.midi	ibs
td_170_2_07		%Посъбра Гълъб, Гълъбо %На хоро %Джиджев хороводни %%гози и следващите записи са думаше: %%"Тълъб" вм. "и на" - според записа Ежте и пийте, дружина, и са в якълъ		Ĵу	.pdf	<u>eps</u>	.mp3	.midi	

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#### Google Maps Visualization

In every step of the search process, a link is provided that could visualize the resulting songs in Google Maps.



### Future Developments

International Collaboration

Our achievements are also a good base for international collaboration in the field of authentic folk songs digitization.

- One perspective is to take in mind the common features of Balkan folklore (Romania, Serbia, Macedonia, Greece, Turkey), and
- other is to attract Cyrillic alphabet countries (Serbia, Macedonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Ukraine, Belarus, Russia).

An extended collection of digitized authentic folk songs from several countries can generate many investigations about common roots of popular customs and culture of the people in these countries.



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