Abstract

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Osing variety is one of the varieties spoken in Banyuwangi Regency, East Java. It is considered as a subpart of Javanese as the bigger language. Osing has some distinctive lexical and phonological features which differentiate this variety from Javanese. In Osing variety itself, some differences were also found between one area and the others. As the focus of the study, lexical items of four observation points (OPs) were analyzed to examine what status will the differences within this variety be. Four villages chosen as the OPs were, Kenjo (OP1), Grogol (OP2), Badean (OP3), and Gumirih (OP4). Swadesh and Lauder vocabulary list were used to interview the informants as the instrument of the study. The data recorded during the interview were examined to find the distinctive lexical features between the four OPs, then measured by lexical dialectometry to reveal the status. The finding shows that there are some lexical differences found between the OPs. These differences also determine the status that emerges in Osing variety. From four OPs, this study has found 80 lexical differences from the total number of 450 glosses. The percentages that show dialect differences status are OP1:OP2 (48.75%) with 39 lexical differences, OP1:OP4 (38.75%) with 31 lexical differences, OP2:OP3 (48.75%) with 39 lexical differences, and OP3:OP4 (41.25%) with 33 lexical differences. The comparison between OP1:OP3 (52.50%) with 42 lexical differences show dialect difference status. In conclusion, Osing as a regional variety has some variation in its lexical features which resulted on the emergence of different dialect and sub-dialects which are still mutually intelligible for the speakers.

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