

Readings: Hayes (APS reader) Chapter 5-6

Homework: Homework 4 due Wed. May 10th

Midterm: May 3rd (one week from today): Bring blue books, open book/note, you have to solve problems (like homeworks)

Term Paper: Turn in one-paragraph description (with one reference source). Due before May 17th.

Week 4, Class 2: Phonological Alternation

I. Alternation

1. *Alternation: A change in the phonological shape of a morpheme conditioned by context*

- A morpheme alternates when it appears in different forms in different contexts

2. *Alternation of English /V/-final stems: preglottalization, tapping and aspiration*

- **Preglottalization:** voiceless stops and affricates /p, t, tʃ, k/ are preglottalized, [ʔp, ʔt, ʔtʃ, ʔk], when they occur in word final position

Preglottalization: $\left[\begin{array}{l} -\text{continuant} \\ -\text{voice} \end{array} \right] \rightarrow [+ \text{constricted glottis}] / \text{ ______ }]_{\text{word}}$

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|----|--------|---------|-------|
| 1. | /kæp/ | [kæʔp] | cap |
| 2. | /kæt/ | [kæʔt] | kat |
| 3. | /hæk/ | [hæʔk] | hack |
| 4. | /hætʃ/ | [hæʔtʃ] | hatch |

- **Tapping:** /t/ is realized as [r] when preceded by a syllabic sound (vowel or syllabic consonant) and followed by a stressless vowel

i. e.g. ‘city’ /síti/ → [síri]

Tapping: /t/ → [r] / [+syllabic] ______ $\left[\begin{array}{l} +\text{syllabic} \\ -\text{stress} \end{array} \right]$

- **Aspiration:** voiceless stops become aspirated when before a stressed vowel (if the preceding consonant is not /s/)

Aspiration: $\left[\begin{array}{l} -\text{continuant} \\ -\text{delayed release} \\ -\text{voice} \end{array} \right] \rightarrow [+ \text{spread glottis}] / \text{ X } \text{ ______ } \left[\begin{array}{l} +\text{syllabic} \\ +\text{stress} \end{array} \right]$ condition: where X is not /s/

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|----|--------|----------|-----------|----|-------|---------|---------|
| 1. | Tom | /tám/ | [tʰám] | 2. | Atlas | /ætɫəs/ | [ætɫəs] |
| 3. | tell | /tɛl/ | [tʰɛl] | 4. | get | /gɛt/ | [gɛt] |
| 5. | obtain | /əbteɪn/ | [əbtʰéɪn] | 6. | actor | /æktɹ̩/ | [æktɹ̩] |
| 7. | attest | /ətɛst/ | [ətʰést] | 8. | stun | /stʌn/ | [stʌn] |
| 9. | retain | /riteɪn/ | [ritʰéɪn] | | | | |

3. *Morphology/phonology interaction (morphophonemics)*

- Morphology rearranges the phonological environments of the phonemes

- The segments of prefixes and suffixes are also a part of the phonological environment.
- Affixation triggers aspiration and tapping, blocks glottalization

Allophones of /t/ in root morphemes

note	notable	notation	
/nout/	/noutəbɫ/	/noutɛɪʃən/	Underlying representation
nóʊ ^ʔ t	-----	-----	Preglottalization
-----	nóʊrabɫ	-----	Tapping
-----	-----	nout ^h ɛɪʃən	aspiration
[nóʊ ^ʔ t]	[nóʊrabɫ]	[nout ^h ɛɪʃən]	Surface Realization

- Alternation: The morpheme /nout/ has three phonologically conditioned allomorphs: [nóʊ^ʔt], [nóʊr], [nout^h]
 - The morphology creates the context for phonology
 - The phonology determines the realization of morphemes
 - Lots of “hanky-panky” between morphology and phonology

4. *Rhythmic Lengthening in Choctaw (Native American language spoken in Oklahoma)*

- The root for ‘see’ in Choctaw is /pisa/. Realized as [pisa] when by itself (in isolation)
- When you add a single syllable suffix, the final root vowel is lengthened
 - /pisa/ + /-li/ = [pisa:li] ‘I see’ [-li/ 1st person singular]
 - /pisa/ + /-tʃi/ = [pisa:tʃi] ‘cause to see’ [-tʃi/ causative]
 - The morpheme /pisa/ has at least two allomorphs: [pisa] and [pisa:]
- Hypotheses
 - Choctaw always lengthens stem final vowels before suffixes
 - Choctaw lengthens stem final vowels before monosyllabic suffixes
 - Choctaw shortens word final vowels (the underlying for is /pisa:/ - when it occurs alone it is [pisa] because vowel is word final)
 - Choctaw lengthens the second to the last vowel in all words, as long as it is not also the first vowel of the word.
- To test your hypotheses you need further data: What happens if you add a prefix?
 - /tʃi-/ + /pisa/ = [tʃipi:sa] “(someone) sees you” [-tʃi/ ‘you’ object]
 - Which hypothesis was confirmed?
- Two remaining hypotheses:
 - Choctaw shortens word final vowels (the underlying for is /pisa:/ - when it occurs alone it is [pisa] because vowel is word final)
 - Choctaw lengthens the second to the last vowel in all words, as long as it is not also the first vowel of the word.
- more data
 - [tʃi - pi:sa - li] ‘you (object)-see-I (subject) = ‘I see you’
 - [tʃi - pi:sa - tʃi] ‘you (object) –see- causative’ = ‘(someone) causes to see you’
 - [pisa: - tʃi - li] ‘see-causative-I (subject = ‘I cause to see’)
 - [tʃi - pi:sa - tʃi: - li] ‘you (object)-see-causative-I (subject)’ = ‘I cause you to see’
- Summary of affixes:
 - /-li/ = 1st person, ‘I’
 - /-tʃi/ = causative, ‘cause to do something’
 - /tʃi-/ = 2nd person object, ‘for you, you’

- Can we rule out the hypothesis that the underlying for is /pisa:/ which shortens when word final?
- To see the pattern you can align words to the left and vowel for vowel.

[p i s a]	‘see’
[p i s a: l i]	‘I see’
[p i s a: tʃ i]	‘cause to see’
[tʃ i p i: s a]	‘(someone) sees you’
[tʃ i p i: s a l i]	‘I see you’
[tʃ i p i: s a tʃ i]	‘(someone) causes to see you’
[p i s a: tʃ i l i]	‘I cause to see’
[tʃ i p i: s a tʃ i: l i]	‘I cause you to see’

- Choctaw duration rhythm: every second syllable from the left is long, provided that it is not also word final
- Test hypothesis on another verb with 3 syllables: [ha:bina] ‘receive a present,

[h a b i: n a]	‘receive a present’
[h a b i: n a l i]	‘I receive a present’
[h a b i: n a tʃ i]	‘cause to receive a present’
[tʃ i h a: b i n a]	‘(someone) receives a present for you’
[tʃ i h a: b i n a: l i]	‘I receive a present for you’
[tʃ i h a: b i n a: tʃ i]	‘(someone) causes you to receive a present’
[h a b i: n a tʃ i: l i]	‘I cause to receive a present’
[tʃ i h a: b i n a: tʃ i l i]	‘I cause you to receive a present’

- What is the underlying form of [pisa] and [habi:na]?
- Morphological rules of Choctaw attach various suffixes, changing the position of the vowels relative to the left edge of the word.
- All words must comply with rhythmic lengthening rule

Rhythmic Lengthening: Lengthen the vowels of non-final, even-number syllables, counting from the beginning of the word (the left)

- /pisa/ has allomorphs [pisa], [pisa:], [pi:sa]
- /habina/ has allomorphs [habi:na], [ha:bina], [ha:bina:]
- /pisa/ actually occurs as a surface form, /habina/, with no long vowels, never occurs as a surface realization.
- Derivation of /habina/, first morphology then phonology

Underlying R		/habina/			
morphology:	adds prefix, suffix or both	∅	/habina-tʃi/	/tʃi-habina/	/tʃi-habina-tʃi/
Phonology:	Rhythmic lengthening	habi:na	habi:natʃi	tʃiha:bina	tʃiha:bina:tʃi
Surface R		[habi:na]	[habi:natʃi]	[tʃiha:bina]	[tʃiha:bina:tʃi]

- This derivation is very simple; there are more complicated interactions between morphology and phonology (hanky-panky)

5. *Neutralization: the identical phonetic realization of distinct phonemic forms.*

- In Korean, /p, t, k/ and /m, n, ŋ/ are contrastive in word final position

1.	[nurɪnpap]	‘scorched rice’	
2.	[nurɪnpam]	‘scorched chestnut’	/p/ vs. /m/
3.	[otʃɪŋətʃət]	‘squid pickle’	
4.	[otʃɪŋətʃən]	‘squid pancake’	/t/ vs. /n/
5.	[tʃakɪnpak]	‘small gourd’	
6.	[tʃakɪnpaŋ]	‘small room’	/k/ vs. /ŋ/

- Korean Stop Nasalization:
- Constraint: Stop consonants are banned before nasals

$$* \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{-sonorant} \\ \text{-continuant} \\ \text{-delayed release} \\ \text{-nasal} \end{array} \right] / \text{---} \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{-syl} \\ \text{+nasal} \end{array} \right]$$

Rule: a stop that immediately precedes a nasal sound must be replaced by the corresponding nasal

- /p/ → [m], /t/ → [n], /k/ → [ŋ]

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{-sonorant} \\ \text{-continuant} \\ \text{-delayed release} \\ \text{-nasal} \\ \alpha\text{place} \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{+nasal} \\ \text{+sonorant} \\ \text{+voice} \\ \alpha\text{place} \end{array} \right] / \text{---} \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{-syl} \\ \text{+nasal} \end{array} \right]$$

- Phonetically grounded constraint/rule: eliminates the need to rapidly close the velum for a sharp transition between the stop and the nasal.

- Domain of rule is the accentual phrase or phonological phrase (larger than the word)

1.	[nurɪnpap]	[nə X məkɛpɰwəssni]	[nə nurɪnpam məkɛpɰwəssni]	‘Have you tried scorched rice?’
2.	[nurɪnpam]	‘you tried X?’	[nə nurɪnpam məkɛpɰwəssni]	‘Have you tried scorched chestnut?’
3.	[otʃɪŋətʃət]		[otʃɪŋətʃən nɛmsɛka]	‘the smell of the squid pickle’
4.	[otʃɪŋətʃən]	[nɛmsɛka] ‘smell’	[otʃɪŋətʃən nɛmsɛka]	‘the smell of the squid pancake’
5.	[tʃakɪnpak]		[tʃakɪnpaŋ nɛmsɛka]	‘the smell of a small gourd’
7.	[tʃakɪnpaŋ]	[nɛmsɛka] ‘smell’	[tʃakɪnpaŋ nɛmsɛka]	‘the smell of a small room’

• Derivation

‘the smell of the squid pickle’	‘the smell of the squid pancake’	
/otʃɪŋətʃət nɛmsɛkə/	/otʃɪŋətʃən nɛmsɛkə/	Underlying representation
n	-----	Obstruent nasalization
[otʃɪŋətʃən nɛmsɛkə]	[otʃɪŋətʃən nɛmsɛkə]	Surface realization

- Phonological contrast is neutralized: words that have different meanings are pronounced exactly the same way.
- The phonemic distinction between /p, t, k/ and /m, n, ŋ/ is neutralized before a nasal consonant.
- The distinction is there in the underlying representation, but not in the surface realization.
- The result is that when a Korean speaker hears [nə nurɪnpam məkɛpwassni] it could either mean “Have you tried scorched rice?” or “Have you tried scorched chestnut?” (you need context or you need to ask for clarification)

6. Neutralization of phonemes

- /nt/ contrasts with /n/ in English

1. [plænt] <i>plant</i>	2. [plæn] <i>plan</i>
3. [stʌnt] <i>stunt</i>	4. [stʌn] <i>stun</i>
5. [bent] <i>bent</i>	6. [bɛn] <i>ben</i>
7. [bɛntli] <i>Bentley</i>	8. [hɛnli] <i>Henley</i>

- Post nasal /t/ deletion in English (dialects of American English or casual speech): /t/ is deleted when it is preceded by /n/ and is followed by an unstressed vowel or syllabic consonant

/t/ → Ø / n _____ $\left[\begin{array}{l} +\text{syllabic} \\ -\text{stress} \end{array} \right]$

1. [plænt] <i>plant</i>	2. [plænt̚] <i>planter</i>
3. [plæn] <i>plan</i>	4. [plænt̚] <i>planner</i>
5. [stʌnt] <i>stunt</i>	6. [stʌnt̚] <i>stunting</i>
7. [stʌn] <i>stun</i>	8. [stʌnt̚] <i>stunning</i>
9. [pʌnt] <i>punt</i>	10. [pʌnt̚] <i>punting</i>
11. [pʌn] <i>pun</i>	12. [pʌnt̚] <i>punning</i>

- Morphophonological derivation

<i>plan</i>	<i>planning</i>	<i>plant</i>	<i>planting</i>	<i>plantation</i>	
/plæɪn/	/plæɪn-ɪŋ/	/plæɪnt/	/plæɪnt-ɪŋ/	/plæɪn-ɛɪʃən/	Underlying Representation
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	Morphology: affixation
[plæɪn]	[plæɪnɪŋ]	[plæɪnt]	[plæɪntɪŋ]	[plæɪntɛɪʃən]	Phonology: post-nasal deletion
					Surface realization

- The phonemic /nt/ vs. /n/ contrast is wiped out in order to satisfy the phonological rule

Word	Underlying Form	Surface Neutralized Form
<i>planning</i>	/plæniŋ/	[plæniŋ]
<i>planting</i>	/plæntiŋ/	[plæniŋ]
<i>planner</i>	/plænr̩/	[plænr̩]
<i>planter</i>	/plænt̩r̩/	[plænr̩]

- ‘I am planting/planning the garden’ can be ambiguous.

7. Neutralization and contextually limited contrast

- **Contextually limited contrast:** A phonemic contrast that is confined to a particular phonological context
 - A property that is distinctive in some context, is non-distinctive (predictable) in another context
 - Static limitation of contrast:** Toba Batak, English Alveolar Place Enforcement
 - Dynamic limitation of contrast:** English Obstruent Voicing
- Toba Batak (Austronesian) – Has voiced vs. voiceless consonants contrast

Toba Batak – word initial stops			
Voiceless		Voiced	
a. [pinoppar]	‘descendent’	d. [bian]	‘dog’
b. [tuak]	‘palm of wine’	e. [dukkar]	‘let out’
c. [korea]	‘korea’	f. [garut]	‘name of town in Indonesia’

- Only voiceless consonants occur word finally

Toba Batak – word final stops	
Voiceless	
a. [sukkup]	‘adequate’
b. [surat]	‘letter’
c. [rappok]	‘steal’

- Two approaches: Rule or constraint
- Constraint: $*\left[\begin{matrix} +\text{stop} \\ +\text{voice} \end{matrix} \right] / \text{ ____ }]_{\text{word}}$
 - “Voiced stops are banned in word final position”
 - The constraint doesn’t tell you how to fix the problem, when it occurs; you need more constraints.
- Rule: $[+\text{stop}] \rightarrow [-\text{voice}] / \text{ ____ }]_{\text{word}}$
- Problem with rule: What are the forms to which the rule applies?
 - When a word ends in a stop, the stop is always voiceless
 - The point is, it is **static** because all word final stops are voiceless, but they don’t have to become voiceless. It is a property of all Toba Batak words.

- English Alveolar Place enforcements - **Static**
 - i. When an English word ends in two stops, the second stop must be alveolar: ‘apt, ‘corrupt’, ‘act’, *atp, *apk
 - ii. There is no evidence that the second consonant has to become a stop. It is a property of all English words
- English Obstruent Voicing: **Dynamic**
 - i. When an English word ends in two obstruents, the second obstruent must agree in voicing with the first: there is no contrast for voicing in obstruents in final position
 - ii. [dɔgz] vs. [kæts]
 - iii. Dynamic because there is evidence that /s/ → [z] after a voiceless consonant

8. *Other cases of contextually limited contrast*

- Spanish /r/ vs. /r:/ only contrast intervocalically: e.g. /péro/ ‘but’ vs. /pér:o/ ‘dog’
 - i. word initial and after /n/: only [r:] occurs: [r:áro], [onr:ár]
 - ii. after consonant, before consonant, word finally, only [r] occurs: [ombre], [nórte], [már]
 1. is there evidence that it is dynamic or static?

Spanish Data Set

1.	[r:ásko]	‘I scratch’	19.	[onr:áðo]	‘honored’
2.	[estráño]	‘strange’	20.	[r:íko]	‘rich’
3.	[r:áro]	‘rare’, ‘strange’	21.	[r:ázɣo]	‘trait’, ‘feature’
4.	[dár]	‘to give’	22.	[már]	‘sea’
5.	[pér:o]	‘dog’	23.	[r:áto]	‘time’, ‘while’
6.	[ómbre]	‘man’	24.	[kár:o]	‘cart’
7.	[kór:o]	‘I run’	25.	[enr:ikeθér]	‘to enrich’
8.	[káro]	‘expensive’	26.	[kóro]	‘choir’
9.	[r:ezβála]	‘s/he slips’	27.	[márθo]	‘March’
10.	[amarílo]	‘yellow’	28.	[trés]	‘three’
11.	[párte]	‘part’	29.	[r:áya]	‘stripe’
12.	[kúrso]	‘course’, ‘class’	30.	[r:óθa]	‘it chafes’
13.	[r:óka]	‘rock’	31.	[bróma]	‘joke’
14.	[par:íla]	‘grill’	32.	[r:ósa]	‘rose’
15.	[péro]	‘but	33.		

- Italian /s/ vs. /z/: only contrast intervocalically: e.g. /kása/ ‘cash register’ vs. /káza/ ‘house’
 - i. word initially before a vowel, only [s] occurs: [sapóne] ‘soap’
 - ii. before a voiceless consonant, only [s] occurs: [skárpa] ‘shoe’
 - iii. before a voiced consonant, only [z] occurs: [zdentáto] ‘toothless’
 1. **dynamic:** because /s-/ is a morpheme
 2. *sfortunato* [sfortunáto] ‘unlucky’ vs. *sdentato* [zdentato] ‘toothless’
 - a. evidence that /s/ → [z] / ____ [-syl, +voice]

¹ In class, and in the book, we said that Spanish “r” is a tap in intervocalic position: e.g. *para* [para] ‘for’. Hualde & Escobar (2001) describe this sound as the trill [r]. For the purpose of this homework we will assume that it is a trill.

Standard Italian Data Set

1.	[sapóne]	‘soap’	11.	[televizióne]	‘television’
2.	[pásta]	‘pasta’	12.	[pasáre]	‘to pass’
3.	[spagét:i]	‘spaghetti’	13.	[kása]	‘cash register’
4.	[rósa]	‘red’ [fem. s.]	14.	[róza]	‘rose’
5.	[zvélto]	‘fast’	15.	[zbálo]	‘mistake’
6.	[róspo]	‘toad’	16.	[sálsa]	‘sauce’
7.	[píza]	‘Pisa’	17.	[pérso]	‘lost’
8.	[sfortunáto]	‘unlucky’	18.	[ĩzola]	‘island’
9.	[póso]	‘I can’	19.	[pózo]	‘I place’
10.	[zgárbato]	‘rude’	20.	[sfrut:áre]	‘to exploit’
11.	[sperdúto]	‘isolated’, ‘far from civilization’	21.	[zgant]jére]	‘to release’
12.	[káza]	‘house’	22.	[vázo]	‘vase’
13.	[stampáre]	‘to print’	23.	[zdentáto]	‘toothless’
14.	[skárpa]	‘shoe’	24.	[spájna]	‘spain’
15.	[nízba]	‘nothing’	25.	[kóza]	‘thing’
16.	[táska]	‘pocket’	26.	[kórso]	‘course’

- **Neutralization:** the identical phonetic realization of two distinct phonemic forms

9. *Catalan Vowel Reduction: The phonology conditions the realization of the vowels in root morphemes in Catalan*

- Vowel reduction in stressless syllables results in the alternation of morphemes
- The [-high] front vowels /a, e, ε/ become the central vowel [ə] when [-stress]
- The [-high] back vowels /o, ɔ/ become the high back vowel [u] when [-stress]
- root morpheme /pəl/ ‘hair’ has two allomorphs, [pél] when [+stress] and [pəl] when [-stress]
- What are the root morphemes and what are their allomorphs
- Is this contrast dynamic or static

1.	[sék]	‘dry’	2.	[səkáɫ]	‘dry branch of tree’ ‘very skinny person’
3.	[sák]	‘sack’	4.	[səkét]	‘small sack’
5.	[pél]	‘hair’	6.	[pəlút]	‘hairy’
7.	[séɾp]	‘snake’	8.	[səɾpótə]	‘big snake’
9.	[póɾt]	‘harbor’	10.	[purtuári]	‘of a harbor’
11.	[gós]	‘dog’	12.	[gusás]	‘big dog’
13.	[pɾím]	‘thin’	14.	[əpɾimá]	‘to make thin’
15.	[ɫúm]	‘light’ (noun)	16.	[ɫuminós]	‘light’ (adj.)

10. *Polish: contextually limited contrast and alternation*

- What are the root morphemes and what are their allomorphs
- What is the evidence for this constraint?
- How do we know the underlying forms?

- Can we write a rule that says “voiced consonants become voiced in intervocalic position”?
- Just look at singulars: what is the contextually determined constraint on contrast in Polish?
- Is it dynamic or static?

Polish

	singular	plural	Gloss
1.	[klup]	[klubi]	‘club’
2.	[trup]	[trupi]	‘corpse’
3.	[snop]	[snopi]	‘sheaf’
4.	[ʒwup]	[ʒwobi] ²	‘crib’
5.	[trut]	[trudi]	‘labor’
6.	[kot]	[koti]	‘cat’
7.	[lut]	[lodi]	‘ice’
8.	[grus]	[gruzi]	‘rubble’
9.	[nos]	[nozi]	‘nose’
10.	[vus]	[vuzi]	‘cart’
11.	[koʃ]	[koʒe]	‘basket’
12.	[nuʃ]	[noʒe]	‘knife’
13.	[wuk]	[wugi]	‘lye’
14.	[wuk]	[wuki]	‘bow’
15.	[sok]	[soki]	‘juice’
16.	[ruk]	[rogi]	‘horn’

11. *Tangale, a Chadic language of Nigeria*

	‘meat’	‘window’	‘berry’	‘load’	‘harp’
‘N’	lo:	bugat	tugat	aduk	kułuk
‘the N’	lo:ĩ	bugatĩ	tugadĩ	adukĩ	kuługĩ
‘my N’	lo:nó	bugadnó	tugadnó	adugnó	kuługnó
‘your N’	lo:gó	bugatkó	tugadgó	adukkó	kuługgó
‘her N’	lo:dó	bugattó	tugaddó	adukto	kuługdó

- What is the root for ‘meat’?
- What are the affixes on the form ‘meat’?
- What are the allomorphs of the affixes?
- What are the allomorphs of ‘window’ and the root ‘berry’?
- What are the underlying forms
- What are the allomorphs of ‘load’ and ‘harp’?
- What are the underlying forms of the root ‘load’ and the root ‘harp’?
- What rule accounts for the forms [bugat] vs. [tugat]?
- What rule accounts for the forms [bugadnó] vs. [tugadnó]?
- What rule accounts for the forms [bugatkó] vs. [tugadgó]?
- What rule accounts for the forms [bugattó] vs. [tugaddó]?
- Is the contextually limited contrast dynamic or static?

² You can ignore the additional changes in the vowels