BBN-ANG-243 Advanced Phonology: Phonological Analysis

Word Stress part 1

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(1) Stress/accent is *syllable prominence*

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(1.1) Phonetic properties of stress/accent :

relative	(compare the feature [coronal]	k i s	*	*
			*	* *
			kiss	kisses

syllable prominence is due to	loudness
	pitch
	length

(1.2) Stress vs. accent

- STRESS is a (predictable or unpredictable) lexical property of syllables of words. Some syllables of a word are stressed others are unstressed: a.LAS.ka SAR.DINE CI.ga.RETTE HELicopter
- ACCENT is a property of some syllables of *utterances* (which may consist of one or more words). Accented syllables are rhythmically prominent and are potential sites of pitch change. In neutral sentences the last accent has the actual pitch change (the tonic, 1ry stress) she shUddered in the Everlasting rAlin
- STRESS vs. ACCENT: *Stress is a placeholder for accent*:
 - □ only lexically stressed syllables can be accented: EnigmAtic wIndow Atom prOton
 - □ syllables that never bear accent are unstressed lexically: window atom proton
 - □ some lexically stressed syllables may be unaccented: E.ver.LAS.ting vs. E.ver.las.ting RAIN



(2.1) Degrees (one stress vs more than one stress in a word)

• Hungarian

*	*	*	*	*		*
matek	matekos	m <mark>a</mark> tekoz	 ik m <mark>a</mark> tekozh	• • • • • atnak m <mark>a</mark> tek	• • • • • ozhatnának	 átmatekozhatnának
• Engl	lish					
:	*	*	* *	*	*	
ė	• • atom	 atomic	atomisti	c ex	 communicate	
ć	<mark>a</mark> təm	ət <mark>o</mark> mık	<mark>a</mark> təm ı stık	εks	skəmj <mark>uw</mark> nıkɛjt	
Notation						
spelling		átom	atómic	àtomístic	èxcommúnica	te
transcrip	otion	'atəm	əˈtɔmɪk	_ı atə ^ı mıstık	_, ɛkskəm'jʉwnɪl	κεjt
		átəm	ətómık	àtəmístık	ὲkskəmj ú wnɪkɛ	ijt

(2.2) Predictability (fully predictable vs. fully lexical)

Hungarian: leftmost syllable

Macedonian: antepenultimate syllable
 FULLY PREDICTABLE & FIXED
 Polish: penultimate syllable

classical Arabic: FULLY PREDICTABLE & NOT FIXED

• Russian, Italian, Spanish

NOT (FULLY) PREDICTABLE & NOT FIXED (partially) LEXICAL

(2.3) Stress & quantity/syllable weight (quantity sensitivity)

(i) syllable weight: heavy, superheavy, light $(V_L = long V, D = diphthong, V_S = short V, "." = syllable boundary; open syllable ends is V, closed syllable ends in C)$

HEAVY SYLLABLE: H

(contains a long V or diphthong or is closed)

LIGHT SYLLABLE: L

(contains a short V and is open)

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	$V_L(C)$. or $D(C)$. or $V_SC(C)$.							V.	
			5	SUPERHEA	VY (H _{SH})				
HL	vi.sa	vij.zə	Н_{sн}H	an .gel	ɛjn.dʒəl	LL	A.bba	a.bə	
HH	aw.ful	oː.fəl	H _{SH}	flaunt	flo:nt	LH	a.crid	a.krid	
HH	ban.quet	baŋ kwɪt	H _{SH}	act	akt				

Heavy syllables are bimoraic, light syllables are monomoraic

(ii) A matter of analysis: two interpretations of diphthong

a.	$D = V_{L}$	ne.on	nɪj . ən	HH
b.	$D = V_s C$	ne.on	nı . jən	LH

(iii) Quantity-sensitive systems, example: Classical Arabic

a.	' <mark>ka</mark> ta <ba> L L</ba>	'he wrote'	b.	ki ' <mark>taː</mark> <bun> L H</bun>	'book (nom sg)'
	' <mark>ba</mark> la ħa <tun> L L L</tun>	'date (nom sg)'		ju '∫aː ri <ku> L H L</ku>	'he participates'
				ma naː ˈ <mark>diː</mark> <lu> L H H</lu>	'kingdom (nom sg)'

Ignore last syllable; stress rightmost H if there is one, otherwise stress leftmost (L) syllable

(iv) Quantity-insensitive systems, example: Hungarian

paripa	' L L L	Barbara	'H L L
karácsony	'L H L	Melinda	' L H L
Abigél	' L L H	Aladár	' L L H

(not the same as the pattern of Hungarian metrical verse: taka'rá el a 'bérci te'tőt)

(2.4) Stress & the domain of stress assignment (extrametricality)

In a stress system with *extrametricality* some peripheral parts of the word are systematically outside the domain of metrification, e.g. last syllable in Classical Arabic:

a.	'ka ta <ba> L L</ba>	'he wrote'	b.	ki 'taː <bun> L H</bun>	'book (nom sg)'
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(2.5) Stress & vowel quality (vowel reduction: full vs. reduced vowels)

In a stress system with *Vowel Reduction* unstressed syllables have a limited set of vowels (called 'reduced vowels'), i.e. fewer vowel contrasts, compared to stressed syllables (e.g. Catalan, Russian).

(2.5.1) Vowel reduction in English

In English vowel quality and stress are *interdependent*, there are two sets of vowels: full vs. reduced.

- (i) stressed syllables have full vowels and
- (ii) there is a strong tendency for reduced vowels to occur in unstressed syllables (= vowel reduction).

par á meter	J à pan é se
[pəˈramətə]	[ˌdʒapəˈnɪjz]

Therefore: a reduced vowel can alternate with any full one

átom∽	~atómic	acádemy∼	àcadémic	édit∼edítion
a ə	e e	ə a ə	a ə e	I I 63
FR	RF	RFR	FRF	FRRF

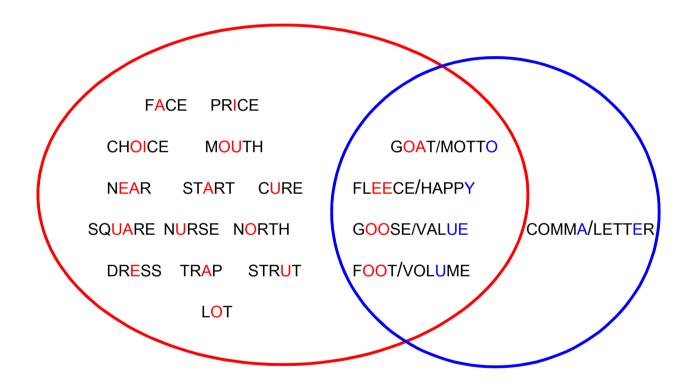
However: while stressed syllables *must* have full vowels, unstressed syllables can have full vowels too.

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	October	ambassador	rób <mark>o</mark> t	órg <mark>a</mark> sm
	<mark>ə</mark> k'təwbə	am'basədə	'rəwb <mark>ə</mark> t	'o:g <mark>a</mark> zəm
variation	direct	d <mark>aj</mark> 'rekt % dı'rekt	% də'rekt	

(2.5.2) FULL vs. REDUCED:

Overlap between full and reduced vowels



NB: If we analyse the vowel of STRUT [Λ] and the vowel of COMMA/LETTER [ϑ] as stressed vs unstressed allophones of the same vowel phoneme / ϑ /, then the reduced vowels are a subset of the full ones

(2.6) Degrees of stress in English words

- when we study word stress, we study one-word sentences
- traditional: 1ry, 2ry, 3ry, 0

1ry & 2ry	=	stressed	=	may receive accent
3ry & 0	=	unstressed	=	may not receive accent

(NB: some define stress differently and consider 3ry a stressed syllable)

(2.7) Unstressed syllables with full vowels: "TERTIARY stress"

Full vowelled syllables that never receive an accent in an utterance

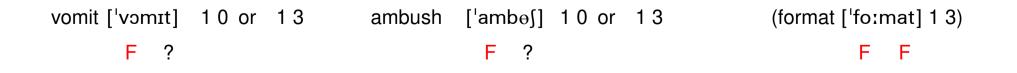
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(2.7.1) Notation

"3ry stress" is not indicated explicitly in transcription: full vowel without stress mark

(2.7.2) Indeterminacy

Since there is an overlap between full vowels & reduced vowels, *sometimes* it is not possible to tell if a syllable has a full vowel or a reduced vowel, i.e. whether it is "3ry stressed" or unstressed



(2.8) The predictability of "tertiary stress"

(2.8.1) Post-tonic unstressed vowels: reduced vs. 3ry?

Unpredictable: it is mainly (mainly) lexical

lexical/arbitrary

fórmat ['foːmat] *páradise* ['parədɑjs] *clímate* ['klɑjmət] *cháracter* ['karəktə]

morphological

*gráduate*_ν ['gradʒʉwεjt]

*gráduate*_N ['grædʒʉwət]

(2.8.2) **Pre-tonic** unstressed vowels: reduced vs. 3ry?

(a) word-initial #____ pretonic syllables: INITIAL HEAVY SYLLABLE TENDENCY

(i)	ligł	light initial syllable			heavy initial syl	heavy initial syllable	
	a.i ba	mérica trócious a.nána e.rámic	*a.'mɛ- *a.'trəw- *ba.'nɑːnə *sɛ.'ramɪk			mɔn.'ta- ɔk.'təw- bak.'tɪːrɪjə kɔg.'nɪ∫ən	
(ii)	Long V / dipht	hong			<i>vo.cátion</i> <i>ci.tátion</i> <i>au.théntic</i> au.dítion	vəw.'kɛjʃən saj.'tɛjʃən oː.'θɛntɪk oːd.'ɪʃən	
	8	No.vém con.trás			've- n.'traːst		

(b) word-internal pretonic syllables: FULL VOWEL PRESERVATION TENDENCY in heavy syllables

Н	<i>cómpensate</i> 'kɔmpənsɛjt <i>condénse</i> kən'dɛns	còmpensátion _⊦ kɔm.pən.'sɛjʃən còndensátion _⊦ kɔn.dɛn.'sɛjʃən
(L	<i>mechánic</i> mːˈkanɪk	<i>mèchanístic</i> "mɛ.kə.'nɪstɪk

FULL VOWEL PRESERVATION: vowel quality of the base is inherited in a pretonic heavy syllable

impórt	ım'p <mark>o</mark> rt	ìmportátion	,ımp <mark>oı</mark> 'tɛj∫ən
auténtic	oːˈθɛntɪk	àuthentícity	,oːθ <mark>ε</mark> n'tɪsətɪj
detést	də't <mark>ɛ</mark> st	dètestátion	_, dɪjt <mark>ɛ</mark> s'tɛj∫ən
excíte	ık's <mark>aj</mark> t	èxcitátion	_, ɛks <mark>aj</mark> 'tɛj∫ən

ℬ But not always (lexical conditioning)

infórm	ın'f <mark>o</mark> rm	ìnformátion	₋ ɪnfə ^ı mɛj∫ən	
consúlt	kən's ∧ lt	cónsultátion	₋ kɔnsəl'tεj∫ən	
confírm	kən'f <mark>əː</mark> m	confirmation	₋ kɔnfəˈmɛjʃən	variation often occurs

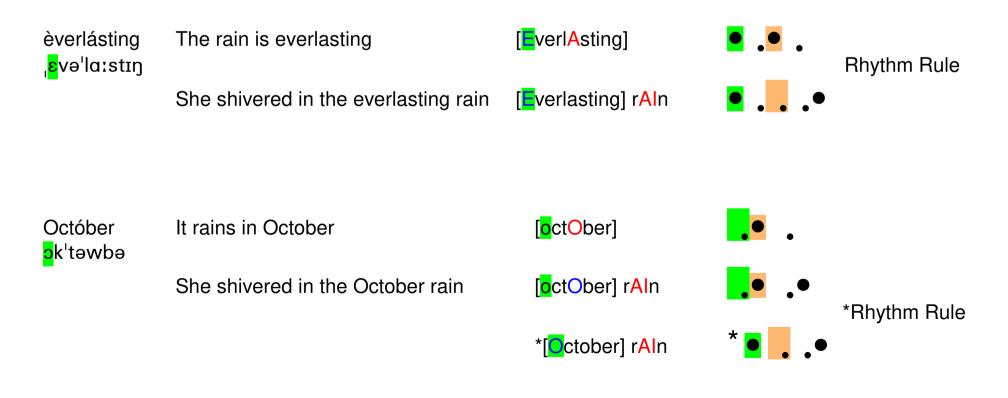
FULL VOWEL PRESERVATION: full vowel tends NOT occur in this position in a derived word when there is a lack of a corresponding (stressed) full vowel in some related word: [?]*cònt[ε]mplátion (cónt[ə]mplate, *cont[ε]mpl...)

(2.9) Stressed syllables & "tertiary stress"

- a stressed syllable in a word may be a
 - (i) rhythmically stressed/strong (=accented) syllable in a sentence

or

- (ii) may also lose its rhythmical prominence (its accent) under certain conditions (Rhythm Rule).
- but (iii) an unstressed syllable cannot be upgraded to become accented for rhythmic reasons even *if it has a full vowel* (= is 3ry).



(2.9.1) Distribution: 3ry stress vs. 2ry stress

(i) Rightmost stress in a word = primary (1ry) non-rightmost stress(es)= secondary (2ry)

Let us assume we know where the rightmost (1ry) stress is.

(ii) Distribution

Two-syllable words #F <u>STR</u> # <i>sàrdíne</i> ˌsɑː'dɪjn <i>dìréct</i> ˌdɑj'rɛkt <i>cartóon</i> ˌkɑː'tʉwn	dìrect débit	₋ sa:dɪjn 'sanwɪdʒ ₋ dajrɛkt 'dɛbɪt	F (full V) = 2ry
Three-syllable words # F STR 0	# Rhythm F	Rule 🗡	F = 3ry
<i>Octóber</i> ɔk'təwbə <i>Titánic</i> tɑj'tanɪk <i>salvátion</i> sal'vɛj∫ən	Octòber ráin Titànic's bánd Salvàtion Ármy	ok _ı təwbə 'rɛjn taj _ı tanıks 'band sal _ı vɛj∫ən 'ɑːmi	

p	05	sit	io	n
				•••

	2 σ before	1 σ before	1ry stress	after 1ry stress
	1ry stress	# F str #	# F STR 0 #	
2ry stress	<u>à</u> cadémic	<u>sàr</u> díne	_	-
"3ry stress" = unstressed with full V	_	_	<u>Oc</u> tóber	ró <u>bot</u>

Difference between stresses: 1ry vs. 2ry – pitch change (2.10)

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2 1 Academic. 2 Peter's an academic.

2 2 2 1 Peter's an academic for good.

The distinction between 1ry & 2ry stress is a **predictable** phrase/sentence level distinction (they are both stressed at the word level and accented in the utterance: 1ry = tonic). At the level of words 1/2ry stress is the same kind of stress (as opposed to 3ry & 0 syllables, which are unstressed).

At phrase/sentence level, in neutral sentences the rightmost accent is the tonic (=1ry).

Thus: in isolated words (=one-word sentences) the last stress is 1ry, the other stresses are 2ry.

(3) Predictability of stresses in a word

(3.1) Non-rightmost stress ('2ry') is predictable when the place of the rightmost stress ('1ry') is known

- (3.2) The phonotactics of '2ry' stress in English words (constraints)
 - NO 2^{RY} AFTER 1^{RY}: *#...1...2...# (by definition, see (3.1))
 - $gráduate_{V}$ ['grad₃ $+w\epsilon_{I}$] > 103 NOT *102
- a. NO STRESS CLASH * #...STR STR...# (= *#...21...#; *#...22...#)
 except in bisyllabic words sàrdíne Rhythm Rule: sàrdine tín *sardìne tín prìncéss Prìncess Ánn *Princèss Ánn

b. EARLY STRESS

*#00; *#30; *#03

exceptionless

(3.3) Relationship between the stressing of derived words and their bases

{Jà pan} + ése

STRESS PRESERVATION The derived word has to preserve the place of the stresses of its base.

- base derived word STR STR √ {chá racter} {chà racter} + ístic STR STR √ {o rí ginal} {o rì ginál} + ity STR STR
 - STRESS PRESERVATION is an inherently violable constraint: it applies as long as NO STRESS CLASH and EARLY STRESS are not violated = it is more important to obey NO STRESS CLASH and EARLY STRESS than STRESS
 - PRESERVATION

{Ja pán}

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- a. ranking NO STRESS CLASH, EARLY STRESS >> STRESS PRESERVATION
- Long underived words with a stress later tan the 3rd from the beginning of the word: 2ry stress is unpredictable: either one or two syllables are skipped

Àpalàchicóla (*Apàlachicóla)	but	Wìnnipesáukee (*Winnìpesáukee)
1σ 1σ		2σ

2ry stress is

- calculated from the location of 1ry stress
- weight insensitive
- iterative (a word can have more than one)
- stress preserving (if possible)
- partially unpredictable: long underived words