# The power of a single representation: Morphological tone and allomorphy

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- → discuss instances of surface alternations in the domain of morphological tone
- → propose mono-representational optimality-theoretic analyses based on markedness and faithfulness constraints on (autosegmental) tone

# 1. Introduction

# 1.1 PCSA and mono- vs. polyrespresentational analyses

(1) Phonologically conditioned suppletive allomorphy (PCSA) (for example Paster, 2006) The surface representation/effect of one morpheme M is different depending on the phonological context and this difference cannot be attributed to phonological changes independently expected in this context.

(2) Segmental PCSA in Moroccan Arabic

(Mascaró, 2007)

	Base	3.Sg.Masc		Possible analysis:
a.	∫afu	∫afuh	'error'	$3.Sg.M \leftrightarrow /h//V_{\_}$
b.	ktab	ktabu	'book'	$3.Sg.M \leftrightarrow /u//C$

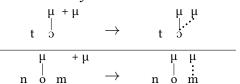
# → poly-representational analysis

- another analysis: an elsewhere allomorph 'steps in to fill the gap left behind' by phonological blocking (Paster, 2009*a*, 19)
- non-concatenative 'PCSA': in (3), different operations (gemination, vowel lengthening) apply and in (4), one non-concatenative operation applies in different positions of its base

(3)	Non-concatenative	'PCSA'	in Asante	Twi
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Past (+Obj) Base ta 'to buy' tar P80/98 dane 'to turn' daner P80/99 b. nom 'to drink' nom P80/99 opame: 's/he sewed (it)' opam: D91

(Dolphyne, 1996; Paster, 2010) *Possible analysis:* 



→ mono-representational analysis

(4) Non-concatenative 'PCSA' in Chaha

(McCarthy, 1983, 179)

Base 3.Sg.Masc.Object danag danag<sup>w</sup> a. 'hit' nadafw nadaf 'sting' nak<sup>w</sup>as b. nakas 'bite' kafat kafwat 'open'

# → mono-representational analysis

- the gist of the  $\mu$ -affixation analysis in (3): an abstract element can be realized through different strategies (similar examples are Davis and Ueda, 2002; Zimmermann, 2013; Stonham, 2007)
- the gist of the feature-affixation analysis (4): a feature searches for the host to which it can associate without violating markedness (for example Zoll, 1994; Banksira, 2011)

# 1.2 Tonal allomorphy

(5) San Miguel el Grande Mixtec<sup>1</sup>

(McKendry, 2013, 55)

	BASE	PERTURBED		
a.	nē²è	né <sup>?</sup> è	'cry'	$M\:L\to H\:L$
b.	īsù	īsú	'deer'	$M\:L\to M\:H$

> H overwrites either the first or second base tone

(6) Molinos Mixtec

(Hunter and Pike, 1969, 38)

	Base		Perturbed		
a.	kiti	'animal'	síví kítí	'name of the animal'	$M M \rightarrow H H$
b.	rīŋkī	'mouse'	síví ríŋk̄i	'the mouse's name'	$M\:M\to H\:M$

➤ a H overwrites only the first or both base tones

(7) Yucunany Mixtepec Mixtec I

(Paster and Beam de Azcona, 2004a, 3-4)

	Base	1.SG		
a.	kwà'ā	kwà'āà	'my man's sister'	$L M \rightarrow L ML$
	s <u>ì'ī</u>	s <u>ì'īì</u>	'my leg'	$L\:M\to L\:ML$
b.	chá'à	chá'àyù	'I am short'	$HL \to HL \; y\grave{u}$
	tūtù	tūtùyù	'my paper'	$M L \rightarrow M L yù$

> an additional tone in some contexts and realization of segments in others

(8) Yucunany Mixtepec Mixtec II

(Paster and Beam de Azcona, 2004a, 3-4)

	Base	1.SG		
a.	nàmá	nàmáà	'my soap'	$L\:H\to L\:HL$
	kw <u>îií</u>	kw <u>îiîi</u>	'I am narrow/thin'	$HLH \to HLHL$
b.	la'la	'mucus'	la'là	$M\:M\to M\:L$
	xá'nu	xá'nù	'my cigarette'	$H\:M\to H\:L$

> a new contour tone in some contexts and overwriting of the original base tone in others

• the different types of tonal allmorphy can be categorized as in (9)

<sup>1</sup> Notation:	high tone	Η	á	1	lowered mid tone		ä	3
	mid tone	M	ā	2	low tone	L	à	4

# (9) Allomorphy and morphological tone

Given phonological contexts  $C_1$  with tone pattern  $T_A$  and context ...  $C_2$  with tone pattern  $T_B$ :

# a. Positional Allomorphy (PosA)

The new tone pattern  $T_C$  is realized in position  $P_x$  of the base in  $C_1$  and  $T_3$  is realized in position  $P_y$  in  $C_2$ .

# b. Tone-Segment Allomorphy (TSA)

The new tone pattern  $T_C$  is realized instead of  $T_A$  in  $C_1$  and the new segmental material S is realized in  $C_2$ .

# c. Overwriting-Adding Allomorphy (OAA)

The new tone pattern  $T_C$  is added to  $T_A$  in  $C_1$  and the new tone pattern  $T_C$  is realized instead of  $T_B$  in  $C_2$ .

→ A mono-representational analysis?

# → All these different patters of allomorphy fall out in a mono-representational account given the nature of OT and markedness of tone association patterns

### (10) Analyses in this talk

Language	Pattern	Analysis
Santo Tomás Ocotepec (section 3.)	OAA	<ul><li>-Prefix-H and -L with different overwriting/contour creation preferences</li><li>-falling contours avoided if possible, rising c. tolerated</li></ul>
San Miguel el Grande Mixtec (section 4.)	PosA	-Infixation of an H that overwrites the initial tone -shift to second TBU if overwriting of M can be avoided
San Pedro Molinos Mixtec (section 5.)	PosA	<ul> <li>Infixation of an H that overwrites the initial tone</li> <li>shift to second TBU if overwriting of M can be avoided</li> <li>H-plateauing for perturbation-triggering morphemes</li> </ul>
Yucunany Mixtepec Mixtec (section 6.)	OAA& TSA	-Suffixation of a tone and segments, the latter only realized as last resort

#### 1.3 Mixtec languages

- indigenous languages, spoken in southern Mexico (Otomanguean)
- great diversity in what counts as a dialect/language: 1 Mixtec with many dialects (Caballero-Morales, 2008), 15 Mixtec languages in Bickel and Nichols (ongoing), 52 in Lewis et al. (2014), 84 in de las Lenguas Indígenas (2005)
- most communities have less than 50.000 speakers (McKendry, 2013)

#### (11) State of Oaxaca



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#### Phonology/Morphology

- 'couplet' as the basic unit, a binary  $(\mu, \sigma)$  word stem
- complex and diverse tonal phenomena found in numerous varieties of Mixtec (starting with the work of Pike, 1944), referred to as 'tone perturbation' (=morphological tone)
- no uniform correlation between contour tones and long/short vowels (=different TBU's)
- the glottal 'stop' has a limited distribution in most varieties and is best analysed (in many) as a feature of vowels:  $/V^2$ / instead of  $/V^2$ /

# 2. Theoretical assumptions

- an optimality-theoretic phonological system Prince and Smolensky (1993)
- (12) A monorepresentational account of PCSA in OT: the phonology decides

Given affix A and ranking R,

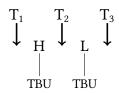
the ranking of faithfulness and Align constraints in R predict a preference order of strategies to realize A:  $X \gg Y \gg Z \gg ...$ 

- •context I: X surfaces, the preferred strategy to realized A
- •context II: X excluded by high-ranked markedness constraints: second-best Y surfaces
- •context III, X and Y excluded: next-best Z surfaces

•...

- 'conservative' autosegmental approach to tone (Leben, 1973; Goldsmith, 1976; Yip, 2002)
- tone affixes are marked for prefixing/suffixing to a base pivot generalizing the pivot affixation theory of Yu (2007) from segments to tone (cf. also Yu, 2002, 2003; Zimmermann and Trommer, 2013)
- (13) Pivot affixation for  $tone^2$

Possible affixation sites in Mixtec:



T<sub>1</sub> /\_\_#T
T<sub>2</sub> /#T\_\_
T<sub>3</sub> /T#

Lexical entries:

• reordering/metathesis is taken to be impossible: if tone  $T_1$  is linearized in a way that it precedes H, it must always precede H and can never follow it

# 3. Contour creation or overwriting: Santo Tomás Ocotepec (Mie)

# 3.1 Data (Mak, 1958; McKendry, 2013)

- H, M, L; rarely contours that are only derived
- there are different paradigms for tone perturbation (in 'special' close-knit sequences like N+ descriptive A, the preceding couplet always triggers change on following couplet)
- the continuative is only expressed by raising (for example /3à?ā/ 'will pass'  $\rightarrow /3$ á?ā-nā/ 'is passing'; L M  $\leftarrow$  H M (Mak, 1958, 67))
- all patterns of this raising perturbation are listed in (14), (15) given lowering perturbation found after complete /nì:/

The riddle: a morphological H overwrites M and creates a contour with L; a morphological L 'overwrites' L and creates a contour with M

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>A stratal OT system where bases are optimized prior to affixation: can ensure that, for example, all TBU's are specified for tone (Egalitarian Stratal OT Trommer, 2011; Bermúdez-Otero, in preparation).

## 3.2 Analysis

# \*\*\* An H- and L-prefix are added; the former preferably overwrites, the latter preferably creates a contour if this does not result in additional markedness\*\*\* $H/\_\#$ and $L/\_\#$

- TBU=µ (parallelism to Mig in section 4.)
- different ranking for the markedness constraints penalizing rising/falling contours (16-a+b): an M is overwritten if this avoids a falling contour, but a rising contour LM is created in order to avoid deletion of M (16-c)
- and undominated (16-d) excludes 'contour' tones without a contour
- Assign a violation mark for every rising sequence of adjacent tones (16)\*Rise a. associated to the same TBU. Assign a violation mark for every falling sequence of adjacent tones b. \*Fall associated to the same TBU. Assign a violation mark for every input M without an output corre-Max c. M spondent. Assign a violation mark for every pair of adjacent identical tones that \*[TT] d. are associated to one TBU.
  - affixation of H results in contour creation (17-I) since realization of L is more important; in overwriting (17-II) since realization of M is less important

# (17) Prefix-H in Mie

		*[TT]	Max H	Max L	*FALL	Max M	*Rise
H <sub>a</sub>	$egin{array}{cccc} L_1 & M_2 & & & & \\   &   &   & & & \\ \sigma & \sigma & & \sigma & & \end{array}$	I. L M -	→ HL M	į			
a.	$egin{array}{ccc} L_1 & M_2 \ & &   \ & & \sigma \end{array}$		*!   *!				
เ b.	$\begin{array}{ccc} H_{\underline{a}} & L_1 & M_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \sigma & \sigma \end{array}$		 		*		
c.	$egin{array}{ccc} H_a & M_2 \ dots & ert \ \sigma & \sigma \end{array}$		 	*!			
H <sub>a</sub>	$egin{array}{ccc} M_1 & H_2 \ \mid & \mid \ \sigma & \sigma \end{array}$	II. M H	$\rightarrow$ H H				
a.	$egin{array}{cccc} H_{a} & M_{1} & H_{2} & & & & & & & & & \\ \ddots & \ddots & & & & & & &$		     		*!		
r≊ b.	$egin{array}{cccc} H_a & H_2 \ dots & \mid \ \sigma & \sigma \end{array}$		 			*	

• affixation of L results in overwriting since higher-ranked markedness excludes an LL-'contour' (18-I); in contour creation (18-II) since realization of M is more important

## (18) Prefix-L in Mie

				*[TT]	Max H	Max L	*FALL	Max M	*Rise
La	L <sub>1</sub>   σ	σ		I. L M -	→ L M				
a.	L <sub>a</sub>	$L_1$ $\sigma$	$M_2 \   \ \sigma$	*!	       				
ւ b.	$\mathop{\hbox{L}}_{\hbox{a}} \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ $	$M_2 \ \mid \ \sigma$			 	*			
La	- σ	$H_2$ $\sigma$		II. M H	$\rightarrow$ LM $^{\circ}$	H			
r≊ a.	L <sub>a</sub>	$M_1$ $\sigma$	$egin{array}{c} H_2 \ \sigma \end{array}$		 				*
b.	$\mathop{\hbox{L}}_{a} \ \mathop{\hbox{i}}_{\sigma}$	H <sub>2</sub>   σ			 			*!	

# 3.3 Summary

- a prefix-H and -L with different preferences for overwritgin/contour creation due to different markedness of rising/falling contours
- complication without an explanation so far: LH/LM bases of the form /CV?V/ do not show contour creation in the imperfect (17-I) but overwriting HH/HM
- → C-T-interaction (cf. section 4.) penalizing a glottalized V bearing a contour tone

# 4. Alternations in the placement of a tone: San Miguel el Grande Mixtec (Mig)

# 4.1 Data (Pike, 1944; Mak, 1950; Goldsmith, 1990; Tranel, 1995a; McKendry, 2013)

- H, M, L, no contours
- again, many 'perturbing' morphemes, with or without segmental content
- imperfect, for example, is perturbation alone: for most bases, the initial base tone is simply replaced by H (cf. (19))

# (19) Imperfective (McKendry, 2013, 45)

	Irrealis	Imperfective		
a.	kānī <sup>n</sup>	kánī <sup>n</sup>	'hit'	$M\:M\to H\:M$
	kānā <sup>n</sup>	kánā <sup>n</sup>	'call'	$M\:M\to H\:M$
b.	kìkū	kíkū	'sew'	$L\:M\to H\:M$
c.	ſìkó	∫íkú	'sell'	$L\:H\to H\:H$

• for M L bases, however, not all bases show the expected HL (20-d), others become MH (20-e)

(20) Asymmetry for ML

(McKendry, 2013, 55)

	Base	Perturbed		
d.	nē²è	né <sup>?</sup> è	'cry'	$M\:L\to H\:L$
	nūù <sup>n</sup>	núù <sup>n</sup>	'face'	
	kī²ù	kí²ù	ʻgo'	
e.	īsù	īsú	'deer'	$M\:L\to M\:H$
	kūtù	kūtú	'nose'	
	jāù	jāú	'hole'	

• generalization: couplets with a long vowel and those with a first glottalized vowel show HL, the rest MH

(21) Perturbating morphemes (grey: H on second TBU)

(Mak, 1950, 83)

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HH
HM
        \rightarrow
              HM
HL
              HL
MM
              HM
       \rightarrow
LH
              HH
LM
              HM
        \rightarrow
MH
              MH
              HL
                      for (C)CV^{2}(C)V and CV_{1}:
ML
        \rightarrow
                      for (C)CVCV and CV<sub>1</sub>V<sub>2</sub>
ML
              MH
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• analyses in Goldsmith (1990) ((morpheme-specific) tone association rules) and Tranel (1995*a*) & Tranel (1995*b*) (OT: M is default ø-tone and TBU's want to preserve their status of being ±associated to a tone)

#### 4.2 Analysis

\*\*\* An H-infix that can choose between associating to first or second TBU \*\*\* H /#T\_\_

- TBU=μ
  - no 'contours' on short vowels, only on long vowels, hence not the  $\sigma$
  - CV:-σ's attract stress and can hence not plausibly be analysed as sequence of two identical V's (cf. McKendry (2013) and in contrast to the claim in Pike (1948))
- no contour tones in Mig, hence (22) is undominated
- (22)  $*Contour_{\mu}$  Assign a violation mark for every  $\mu$  that is associated to more than one tone phonetically (Yip, 2002, 80).
  - the H is an infix after the first tone it can associate to either the first or second TBU

Affixing the imperfect-H

- **1.** It association to the first TBU and **overwrites a base-H** 
  - undominated MAX-H<sub>AF</sub> (23-a) demands that the affix-H must associate to some TBU (implementation of \*Float (Yip, 2002, 80)) and since contours are impossible, overwriting results

- preference for association with initial TBU follows from (23-b) (in fact an Align constraint for tone, cf. (Yip, 2002, 80))
- note that higher-ranked  $\text{Max}_{\text{AL}(T\!-\!\mu)}$  ensures that underlying association of H to non-initial  $\mu$  are preserved
- (23) a.  $\begin{array}{c} \text{Max} & \text{Assign a violation mark for every affix H in the input without an output} \\ \text{H}_{AF} & \text{correspondent.} \end{array}$ 
  - b. #H! Assign a violation mark for every phonetically visible H that is not associated to the stem-initial TBU.
  - c. Max Assign a violation mark for every association line between a tone T and a  $\mu$  M in the input without an output correspondent.

## (24) Affix-H: Association to the initial base- $\mu$ and overwriting of H

		*Cnt <sub>µ</sub>	Max H <sub>AF</sub>	Max TAL <sup>µ</sup>	#H!
Η <sub>1</sub> Η μ	I <sub>a</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	I. HH -	→ HH		
a.	$\begin{array}{ccc} H_1 & H_2 \\ \begin{matrix} \downarrow & \end{matrix} \\ \mu & \mu \end{array}$		'   <b>*!</b> 		*
b.	$egin{array}{ccc} H_1 & H_2 & H_2 \\   & \ddots &   \\ \mu & & \mu \end{array}$	*!	 		**
c.	$egin{array}{ccc} H_1 & H_a & H_2 \\ & \ddots & & & \mid \\ & \mu & & \mu \end{array}$	*!	 		*
☞ d.	$\begin{array}{ccc} H_a & H_2 \\ \vdots &   \\ \mu & \mu \end{array}$		 	*	*
Η <sub>1</sub> Η   	$egin{array}{ccc} H_a & L_2 & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & $	II. HL -	$\rightarrow$ HL		
a.	$\begin{array}{ccc} H_1 & H_a \\ \mid & \vdots \\ \mu & \mu \end{array}$		 	*	*!
b.	$egin{array}{cccc} H_1H_aL_2 \ dots & dots \ \mathring{\mu} & \mu \end{array}$	*!	 		
ß C.	$egin{array}{cccc} H_a & L_2 \ dots & ert \ \mu & \mu \end{array}$		 	*	

- **2. M-tones are preferably not overwritten** and the morphological H associates to the second TBU as last resort (25-III)
  - #H! is dominated by Max-M (16-c) and initial M tones are hence preserved if possible (even if this implies an OCP violation the constraint is irrelevant)

• if a non-realization of M cannot be avoided (since both base- $\mu$ 's are M), the preference for the initial TBU kicks in again (25-II)

# (25) Affix-H: preferably no overwriting of M

			*Cnt <sub>µ</sub>	MAX H <sub>AF</sub>	Max TAL <sup>µ</sup>	Max M	#H!
$M_1 H_a$ $\mu$	$\begin{array}{ccc} L_2 & & \\ & & \\ \mu & & \end{array}$		I. ML –	→ MH			
a.	M₁H   μ	$L_a \stackrel{L_2}{\underset{\mu}{\bigcup}}$	*!	 			
<b>☞</b> b.	$\mathop{\mu}^{M_1}$	$\begin{matrix} H_a \\ \vdots \\ \mu \end{matrix}$		 	*		*
c.	$\mathop{H_a}\limits_{\dot{\mu}}$	$\mathop{L_2}_{\mu}$		 	*	*!	
M <sub>1</sub> H <sub>a</sub>	$M_2$ $\mu$		II. MM	$\rightarrow$ HM			
a.	$\mathop{\mu}^{M_1}$	Η <sub>a</sub> ⋮ μ		     	*	*	*!
<b>☞</b> b.	$\overset{H_{a}}{\underset{\mu}{\vdots}}$	$\mathop{\mu}^{M_2}$		 	*	*	

# **3.** The H associates to the first TBU even if this implies non-realization of an M to avoid rising contours on long vowels and a H preceded by a glottal

- the relevant markedness constraints are given in (26)
  - (26-a) is a non-local constraint: there is no direct association between the V and the tone(s) since the  $\mu$  is the TBU
  - (26-b) implements a C-Tone interaction: well-known effect for voicing and laryngeal features (cf. e.g. Yip, 2002; Hansson, 2004; Tang, 2008)

# (27) The ML-asymmetry

	Max H <sub>AF</sub>	Max TAL <sup>µ</sup>	*Rise V	* <sup>?</sup> Ý	Max M	#H!
$\begin{array}{c cccc} M_1  H_a   L_2 \\   &   \\ \mu & \mu \\   &   \\ V^7 & V \end{array}$	I. ML -	ightarrow HL				
$\begin{array}{c cccc} & M_1 & L_2 \\ & \mid & \mid \\ a. & \mu & \mu \\ & \downarrow & \mid \\ & V^7 & V \end{array}$	*!			 		
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$M_1H_aL_2 \ \mu \ \mu \ V$	II. ML	ightarrow HL				
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# 4.3 Summary

(28) Summary: complete ranking for Mig (affix tone in boldface)

	*Cnt <sub>µ</sub>	Max H <sub>AF</sub>	Max TAL <sup>µ</sup>	*Rise V	* <sup>?</sup> Ý	Max M	#H!	Max H
H <sup>H</sup> M								
a. H <b>H</b>			*		l	*!	*	
<b>№</b> b. <b>H</b> M			*		1			*
H <sup>H</sup> L								
а. Н <b>Н</b>			*		1		*!	
r b. HL			*		l			*
М <sup>Н</sup> Н								
r a. MH			*		1		*	*
b. <b>H</b> H			*		1	*!	*	
M H M								
a. M <b>H</b>			*		! 	*	*!	
<b>№</b> b. <b>H</b> M			*		1	*		
L <sup>H</sup> H								
a. L <b>H</b>		<u> </u>	*		! 		*	*!
<b>☞</b> b. <b>H</b> H			*		1		*	
L <sup>H</sup> M								
a. L <b>H</b>		<u> </u>	*		! !	*!	*	
<b>☞</b> b. <b>H</b> M			*		l -			
M <sup>H</sup> L [VV]								
r a. MH			*		I		*	
b. HL			*		1	*!		
M <sup>H</sup> L [V:]								
a. M <b>H</b>		I	*	*!	I		*	
B. HL			*		l 	*		
$M^{H}L[V:^{?}]$								
a. M <b>H</b>			*		*!		*	
r b. HL			*		1	*		

<sup>•</sup> monorepresentational analysis based on the assumption that the H-affix is an infix and can in principle 'choose' between associating to the first or second TBU

# 5. Positional allomorphy and H-plateauing: San Pedro Molinos Mixtec

# 5.1 Data (Hunter and Pike, 1969)

- H, M, L; no contours
- stress is dependent on tone

# (29) Tone perturbation

(Hunter and Pike, 1969, 38)

	Base		Perturbed		
a.	ʒìʧí	'dry'	ʒā?ā ʒíʧí	'dry chiles'	$L H \rightarrow H H$
	ʧìká	baskets	kù: ʧíká	'four baskets'	$L\: H \to H\: H$
b.	kītī	ʻanimal'	síví kítí	'name of the animal'	$M\:M\to H\:H$
c.	rīŋkī	'mouse'	síví ríŋkī	'the mouse's name'	$M\:M\to H\:M$

• interesting contrast between (29-b) and (29-c): the same surface tone pattern but different effects; the crucial difference is that the perturbed morpheme in (29-b) is a perturbation-trigger itself whereas the one in (29-c) is not

(30) Tone perturbation pattern (highlighted: different from Mig)

```
HH
          HH
HM
      \rightarrow
          HM
HL
          HL
MH
          MH
LH
          HH
MM*
          HH
                (*Couplets that trigger H-perturbation)
MM
          HM
LM*
          HH
LM
          HM
ML
          MH
               CVCV
ML
          HL
                CVV or CV?V
LL
          MH
                CVCV
LL
          HL
                CVV or CV?V
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#### 5.2 Analysis

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*** Infixed H prefers to associate to the initial TBU & an H-plateauing effect ***

H /#T__
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- contra Hunter and Pike (1969) assumption: I take  $V_1V_1$  to be monosyllabic but bimoraic: the  $\mu$  is the TBU then (and no contours are possible)
- very similar to the analysis for Mig (28):
  - an infixed H prefers to associate to initial TBU
  - M's are preferably not overwritten and H associates to second TBU instead
  - only if this would result in a rising contour on a long V or an H following a /?/, the M is overwritten

- interesting additional effect that cannot be found in Mig: association to both TBU's for bases that are perturbation-triggers themselves
- I argue that this is a plateauing effect resulting from a morpheme contiguity effect: if a morpheme contains more than one H, all TBU's inbetween the two high tones need to by high as well (31)
- the floating H does not associate with the base couplet itself due to Alternation ('If an association line links two elements of colour  $\alpha$ , the line should also have colour  $\alpha$ .') that penalizes inserted association lines between elements affiliated with the same morpheme (van Oostendorp, 2007, 2012)

Given a  $H_a$  affiliated with morpheme M and a  $TBU_1$  affiliated with morphe

# (32) Affix-H: Tone-Plateauing

		MTP	*Cnt <sub>µ</sub>	Max H <sub>AF</sub>	Max TAL <sup>µ</sup>	Max M	#H!
M <sub>1</sub> I	Η <sub>a</sub> Μ <sub>2</sub>    μ	I. M M	$\rightarrow$ H M				
a.	$\begin{array}{ccc} M_1H_aM_2\\ \downarrow \cdots & \downarrow\\ \mu & \mu \end{array}$		   *! 	 			
b.	$egin{array}{ccc} M_1 \ H_a \ M_2 \ & \ddots \ & \mu \ & \mu \end{array}$		*!	 			*
เ⊛ c.	$egin{array}{ccc} H_a & M_2 \ dots & ert \ \dot{\mu} & \mu \end{array}$		 	 	*	*	
d.			 	 	**!	**	*
$M_1H_a$ $\mu$	$egin{array}{ccc} M_2 & H_3 \ & \mu \end{array}$	II. M M	$\rightarrow$ H H				
a.	$\begin{array}{ccc} M_1 H_a M_2 & H_3 \\ \downarrow \ddots \ddots & \mid \\ \mu & \mu & \end{array}$		   *! 	 			
b.	$\begin{array}{cccc} H_a & M_2 & H_3 \\ \vdots & & \\ \dot{\mu} & \mu \end{array}$	*!	 	 	*	*	*
☞ c.	H <sub>a</sub> H <sub>3</sub> μ μ μ		 	 	**	**	

• one other thing remains mysterious (LL>MH)

# 6. One morpheme=Different tones or segments: Yucunany Mixtepec (Mix)

# 6.1 Data (Pike and Ibach, 1978; Paster and Beam de Azcona, 2004a,b; Paster, 2009b)

- no codas, restricted set of initial onset clusters (N+Stop/Affr, s+Stop, ∫+C)
- H, M, L, and contour tones
- no length contrast for vowels, couplets are bisyllabic CVV or CVCV
- 1.SG morpheme is tone perturbation alone: a low tone is added:
  - creates a contour for H-final stems (33-a)
  - overwrites M on final  $\sigma$  (33-b) if this would not create an LHL (33-c)<sup>3</sup> or if M is preceded by a L (33-d)
  - if the stem ends in L, a segmental allomorph /-yù/ surfaces (33-e)

# (33) Tonal allomorphy in Yucunany Mixtepec

(Paster and Beam de Azcona, 2004a, 3-4)

a.	nàmá	'soap'	nàmáà	'my soap'	LH	$\to L \; HL$
	kw <u>îií</u>	'narrow/thin'	kw <u>îiîi</u>	'I am narrow/thin'	HLH	$\rightarrow HLHL$
	vílú	'cat'	vílúù	'my cat'	НН	$\to H \; HL$
b.	lā'lā	'mucus'	lā'là	'my mucus'	M M	$\to M \; L$
	xá'n <u>ū</u>	'cigarette'	xá'n <u>ù</u>	'my cigarette'	НМ	$\to H  L$
c.	yùútī	'sand'	yùútīì	'my sand'	LH M	$\to LH \; ML$
	yòósō	'metate'	yòósōò	'my metate'	LH M	$\to LH \; ML$
d.	kwà'ā	'man's sister'	kwà'āà	'my man's sister'	L M	$\to L \; ML$
	kàā	'metal'	kàāà	'my metal'	LM	$\rightarrow LML$
e.	chá'à	'short'	chá'àyù	'I am short'	HL	ightarrow HL yù
	tūtù	'paper'	tūtùyù	'my paper'	M L	$\rightarrow$ M L yù
	sòkò	'shoulder'	sòkòyù	'my shoulder'	LL	$\to L \; L \; y \grave{u}$

#### (34) First person morpheme: more abstract

a. H# $\rightarrow$ HL# (33-a)						
L	Н	$\rightarrow$	L	HL		
HLL		$\rightarrow$	HLHL			
Н	LH	$\rightarrow$	H	LHL		
Н	Н	$\rightarrow$	H	HL		
b M#	$^{\sharp}  ightarrow L^{\sharp}$	# <b>(</b> 33-	·b)			
M	M	$\rightarrow$	,	L		
Н	M	$\stackrel{'}{\rightarrow}$	Н	I.		
11	141	,	11	ь		

c. LH M# 
$$\rightarrow$$
 LH ML# (33-c)  
LH M  $\rightarrow$  LH ML

d. LM#  $\rightarrow$  LML# (33-d)

L M  $\rightarrow$  L ML

LM  $\rightarrow$  LML

e. L#  $\rightarrow$  Lyù# (33-e)

HL  $\rightarrow$  HLyù

M L  $\rightarrow$  M Lyù

L L  $\rightarrow$  L Lyù

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Paster and Beam de Azcona (2004*a*) dicusses the possibility that this is due to the difference between underlying M's and underlying tone-less  $\sigma$ : they conclude, however, that this would imply that all LH M stems have no tone on second  $\sigma$  – a strange coincidence.

## 6.2 Analysis

# \*\*\* A suffixed segmental /yu/ + L; the former only realized as last resort \*\*\* yu L /#\_\_

- TBU=σ
  - default assumption since vowel length is not contrastive ('VV' notated to have enough space for contours)
- contour tones are possible, but dispreferred and avoided (in derived) contexts if possible (35-a) is not undominated as in Mig
- **1.** the 1SG morpheme is **segmental** /**yu**/ **and a floating L**, the former is preferably not realized, the latter must be realized in all contexts
  - the /yu/ underlyingly lacks a  $\sigma$  node and since Dep- $\sigma$  (35-b) is higher ranked than Max-S (35-c), the suffix is preferably not realized (implies: all affixes that are realized in all contexts are underlyingly equipped with a  $\sigma$ )
  - the L, on the other hand, must be realized due to undominated Max-L
- Assign a violation mark for every  $\sigma$  that is associated to more than one \*Contour (35)a. tone phonetically. (Yip, 2002, 80)  $(=*CnT_{\sigma})$ Assign a violation mark for every output  $\sigma$  without an input corre-DEP b. spondent. σ Assign a violation mark for every input segment without an output Max c. S correspondent.
- (36) Preference for not realizing the segmental suffix but realization of the tone

	$\begin{array}{cccc} L_1 & H_2 & L_a \\ \mid & \mid \\ \sigma_i & \sigma_{ii} \\ na & ma & yu \end{array}$	Max L	Dep σ	*Спт	Max S
a.	$\begin{array}{ccc} L_1 & H_2 \\ \mid & \mid \\ \sigma_i & \sigma_{ii} \\ na & ma \end{array}$	*!			   **   **
b.	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		*!		 
t⊗ c.	$\begin{array}{cccc} L_1 & H_2 & L_a \\ \mid & & \downarrow \dots & \ddots \\ \sigma & \sigma \\ na & ma \end{array}$			*	   ** 

**2.** A contour is created with base-final H's but **overwriting of base-final M's** since Max-M (16-c) is ranked below \*Contour<sub> $\sigma$ </sub>

(37) Affix-L overwrites a base-final M

$\begin{array}{c cccc} M_1 & M_2 & L_a \\ &   &   \\ & \sigma_i & \sigma_{ii} \\ la & la & yu \end{array}$	Max L	Max H	Dep o	*Cnt <sub>o</sub>	Max M
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		 		*!	
$\begin{array}{c cccc} & M_1 & L_a \\ & \vdots & \vdots \\ \sigma_i & \sigma_{ii} \\ la & la \end{array}$		 			*

- **3.** No overwriting if two adjacent  $\sigma$ 's both associated with an L at their left edge would result a positional, non-local OCP (38) **banning two adjacent**  $\sigma$ 's starting both with a L
  - and for bases ending with an LM contour, overwriting makes no sense: it only avoids a violation of \*Contour, of both base tones are overwritten and that's excluded by Max-L (38-III)
- (38)  $*^{L}\sigma^{L}\sigma$  Assign a violation mark for every pair of adjacent  $\sigma$ 's that are phonetically associated with an initial L.
- (39) No adjacent L-initial  $\sigma$ : Contour creation vs. overwriting

	Max L	* <sup>L</sup> o <sup>L</sup> o	*Cnt <sub>o</sub>	Max M
$\begin{array}{ccccc} L_1 \ H_2 \ M_3 & L_a \\ \hline \sigma_i & \sigma_{ii} \\ yu & ti & yu \end{array}$	I. LH M	$\rightarrow$ LH M	L	
$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$			**	
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		*!	*	*
$\begin{array}{c cccc} L_1 & M_2 & L_a \\ & & & \\ & \sigma_i & \sigma_{ii} \\ tzi & tzi & yu \end{array}$	II. L M -	→ L ML		
$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$			*	
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		*!		*

		Max L	* <sup>L</sup> o <sup>L</sup> o	* $CnT_{\sigma}$	Max M
$\begin{array}{c c} L_1 & M_2 \\ \hline \sigma_i & ka \end{array}$	L <sub>a</sub> yu	III. LM -	ightarrow L ML		
r≊ a.	$egin{array}{c} L_1 & M_2 & L_a \ \sigma_i & ka \end{array}$			*	
b.	$egin{array}{c} L_1 & L_a \ \sigma_i & ka \end{array}$			*	*!
c.	$egin{array}{c} L_a \ dots \ \sigma_i \ ka \end{array}$	*!			*

- **5.** association of L to base- $\sigma$  ending in an L is excluded by (16-d) contour tones (adjacent tones associated to the same TBU) must be different
- realization of /yu/ as last resort to satisfy Max-L becomes optimal
- (40) No adjacent L's: realization of  $/-y\dot{u}/$

	$\begin{array}{cccc} M_1 & L_2 & L_a \\ \mid & \mid & \\ \sigma_i & \sigma_{ii} \\ tu & tu & yu \end{array}$	*[TT]	Max L	<b>Дер</b>	* <sup>L</sup> o <sup>L</sup> o
a.	$\begin{array}{ccc} M_1 & L_2 & L_a \\ \mid & \mid \ldots \cdots \\ \sigma_i & \sigma_{ii} \\ tu & tu \end{array}$	*!	 		 
b.	$egin{array}{ccc} M_1 & L_a \ dash & dash \ \sigma_i & \sigma_{ii} \ tu & tu \end{array}$		   *! 		 
ISF C.	$\begin{array}{cccc} M_1 & L_2 & L_a \\ \mid & \mid & \vdots \\ \sigma_i & \sigma_{ii} & \sigma \\ tu & tu & yu \end{array}$		 	*	     *

#### 6.3 Summary

- a monorepresentational analysis assuming a segmental portion of a morpheme that is only realized as last resort
- → the learner is faced with an instance of incomplete neutralization: in 3 of 4 possible contexts (depending on the phonological form of the base), she is only provided with a subset of evidence for the complete representation (only the tone, not the segmental content)

# (41) Allomorph selection in Yucunany Mixtepec: the complete ranking

		*[TT]	Max L	Max H	Dep σ	*LoLo	*Cnt <sub>o</sub>	Max M	Max S
LH+L	(34)-a					<b>'</b>	·		·
a.	LH		*!			1			**
☞ b.	L H <b>L</b>					 	*		**
c.	L L			*!		<b>*</b>			<b>**</b>
d.	L H y <b>ù</b>				*!	1			I
M M+	L (34)-b					,			
a.	M ML		l	l		1	*!		** 
<b>☞</b> b.	M L					 		*	<b>**</b>
c.	M M yù			l	*!	I .			I
LH M-	+L (34)-c								
r a.	LH ML		l	l		l	*		** 
b.	LH L					*!		*	<b>**</b>
c.	LH M yù			l	*!	1			I .
LM+L	(34)-d								
r a.	LML					1	*		**
b.	LL	*!	l	l		 	*	*	** 
c.	ML		*!	l L		l L	*		<b>**</b>
d.	LMyù				*!	1	*		I
H L+L	(34)-e								
a.	ΗL		*!			1			**
b.	H LL	*!		l		 			<b>**</b>
เ⊛ c.	НLyù				*	*			1

# 7. Summary

A fascinating **variety of different patterns** of tonal allomorphy in Mixtec given relative closeness and similarity in other domains.

**Monorepresentational analyses** for different tone allomorphy patterns:

- the morphological tone is marked for being a prefix/suffix to the first/last tone of the base:
  - prefixes in Mie can only associate to first TBU: overwriting or contour creation
  - infixes in Mig and Molinos can 'choose' between associating to first/second TBU
  - suffix in Mix can only associate to final base TBU (overwriting or contour creation) or to the prosodically defective suffix as a last resort
- **2** markedness constraints about possible associations of tones as autosegments/faithfulness constraints about different tones might exclude the more preferred strategy to realize the tone in certain contexts: **PCSA** as **phonological epiphenomenon in OT**

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