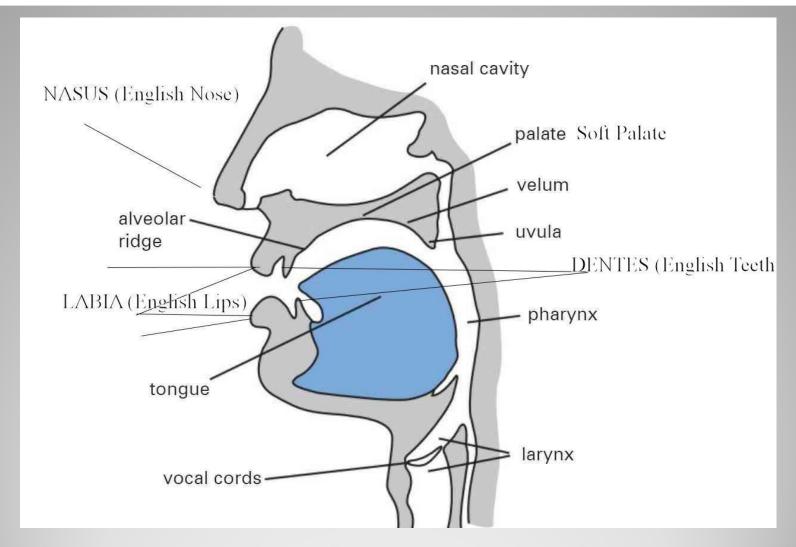
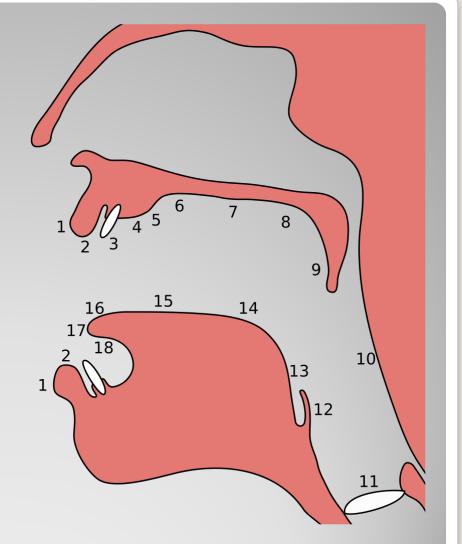
## Sounds of Human Language

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and where do they come from...

#### Passive and active places of articulation: (1) Exo-labial; (2) Endo-labial; (3) Dental; (4) Alveolar; (5) Post-alveolar; (6) Pre-palatal; (7) Palatal; (8) *Velar*; (9) Uvular; (10) Pharyngeal; (11) Glottal; (12) Epiglottal; (13) Radical; (14) Postero-dorsal; (15) Antero-dorsal; (16) Laminal; (17) Apical; (18) Sub-apical or sub-laminal.



and where do they come from...

- The International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) is an academic standard created by the International Phonetic Association.
- IPA is a phonetic notation system that uses a set of symbols to represent each distinct sound that exists in human spoken language.
- It encompasses all languages spoken on earth.

• The system was created in 1886 and was last updated in 2005.

It consists of

107 letters,

52 diacritics, and four prosodic marks.

- A "diacritical mark" or "diacritical point", "diacritical signis" is a glyph added to a letter, or basic glyph.
- **Diacritical marks** are added above, under or within a letter. They sometimes can also be placed in between two letters.

 Prosody is a representation of the rhythm, stress, and intonation of speech.









### Types of transcription

#### Phonetic transcription.

Diacritic Marks

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- nasalized:
    [tẽn], [põnd], [mæ̃n].
: - long: see [si:], [ba:k].
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- half-long: seat [si't].
- r- rhotocised (i.e. r-coloured): ['sentər], [kart].
- fronted, i.e. velar is made with the back of the tongue moved forward close to the hard palate when it is followed by a front vowel as in key [ki:]
  - \_ dental position of the alveolar consonants: ninth [naɪn̞θ], tenth [tʰen̞θ].





#### A possible Definition:

 A phoneme is the smallest contrastive unit in the sound system of a language.

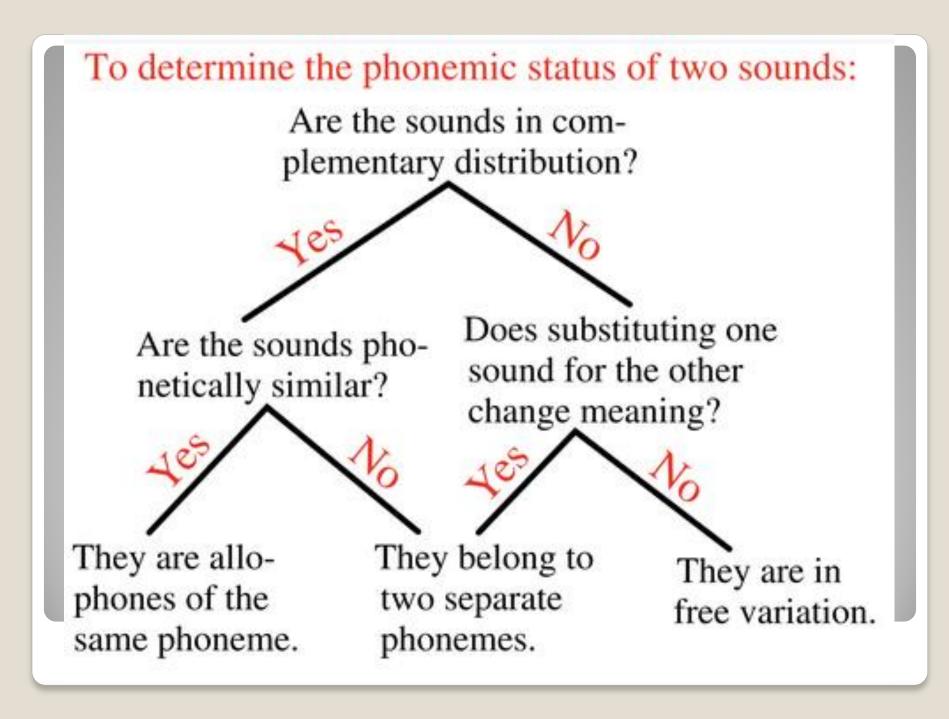
### **Phoneme**

Discussion:
 Phonologists have differing views of the phoneme.

Following are the two major views considered here:

- a) In the American structuralist tradition, a phoneme is defined according to its allophones and environments.
- b) In the Generative tradition, a phoneme is defined as a set of distinctive features.

### **Phoneme**



<u>Phonetics</u>		
<u>Phone</u>	Phonology	Orthoepy
<u>Articulatory</u>	<u>Sibilant</u>	Cacoepy;
<u>Alveolar</u>	<u>Plosive</u>	<u>Diphthong</u> /'dɪf.θɒŋ//'dɪp.θɒŋ/
<u>Palatal</u>	<u>Apophony</u>	<u>Assimilation</u>
<u>Nasalization</u>	<u>Trill</u>	Syllabic Consonant
<u>Aspiration</u>	Schwa_ /swa:/	<u>Onomatopoeic</u>
<u>Approximant</u>	Flap	<u>Unstressed</u>
<u>Palato-alveolar</u>	<u>Tap</u>	Weak Form
<u>Uvular</u>	Vocal Fry	Suprasegmental
<u>Velar</u>	Twang	<u>Inflection</u>

- (a) What do you call a substitution of a sound which requires less muscular effort to articulate?
- (b) What do you call a consonant sound made when the tongue moves forward and down, and quickly touches the alveolar ridge?
  - (c) What do you call a quality of voice heard in some speakers that is related to the passing of air through the nose as they speak?

(d) What do you call a consonant sound that is made by stopping air flowing out of the mouth, and then suddenly releasing it?

(e) What do you call a consonant sound made when there is a little puff of air produced after the key sound?

- (f) What do you call a phoneme which combines a plosive with an immediately following fricative or spirant sharing the same place of articulation?
  - (g) What do you call the fact of a speech sound being influenced by the sound that comes before or after it?
- (h) What do you call a quality in someone's speaking voice that makes it sound rough and low?

### Pronunciation / prannai'er.jan/

(a) Reduction [rɪˈdʌkʃ(ə)n]
(b) Flap
(c) Twang /twæŋ/
(d) Plosive ['plausiv]
(e) Aspirated
(f) Affricate ['æfrɪkət]
(g) Assimilation
(h) Vocal Fry

### **Phonology versus Phonetics**

 Phonology has been argued to relate to phonetics via the set of distinctive features, which map the abstract representations of speech units to articulatory gestures, acoustic signals or perceptual representations.

### **Phonology versus Phonetics**

 Phonology, on the other hand, is concerned with the abstract, grammatical characterization of systems of sounds or signs and how they pattern in and across languages.

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# Phonetics is the general study of the characteristics of speech sounds.

Functional phonetics /=phonology!/ studies the functions of sounds in the language as a phonemes based system.

### **Phonological units**

Phonemes possess the design feature of discreteness.

Thus the whole language is built on a finite number of consonants and vowels.

### The minimal pairs test

needs a minimal pair in language, when there are two forms or two words with exact same except for one sound.

### The minimal pairs test

shows if there are two different phonemes or more specifically two allophones of two different phonemes, belonging to two different words or word forms (with two different meanings).

## **Phonological units**

### allophone ['æləˌfəʊn]

is any of several speech sounds that are regarded as contextual or environmental variants of the same phoneme.

# Phonetic insight is used in several applied linguistic fields such as:

- Forensic phonetics: the use of phonetics for legal purposes
- Speech recognition: the analysis and transcription of recorded speech by a computer system
- Speech synthesis: the production of human speech by a computer system

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	m						n					ŋ	
		f	V	θ	ð	S	z	ſ	3				h
	(w)									r	j	(w	)
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								tſ	dz				

	Bil	abial	Labiodental		Interdental		Alveolar		Palatal		Velar		Glottal	
Stop	р	b					t	d			k	g		
Fricative			f	V	θ	ð	S	Z	š	ž				
Affricate									č	Ĭ				
Nasal		m						n				ŋ		
Glide	M	W								у			h	
Liquid								1						

You may prefer to use the following alternative symbols for the palatal affricates and fricatives:  $\check{s} = \int$ ,  $\check{z} = 3$ ,  $\check{c} = t \int$ , and  $\check{j} = d3$ .

#### Forelingual consonants

- Interdental θ ð
- Dental
- Alveolar t d s z n l
- Post-alveolar
- Palato-alveolar t∫ dʒ ʒ ∫



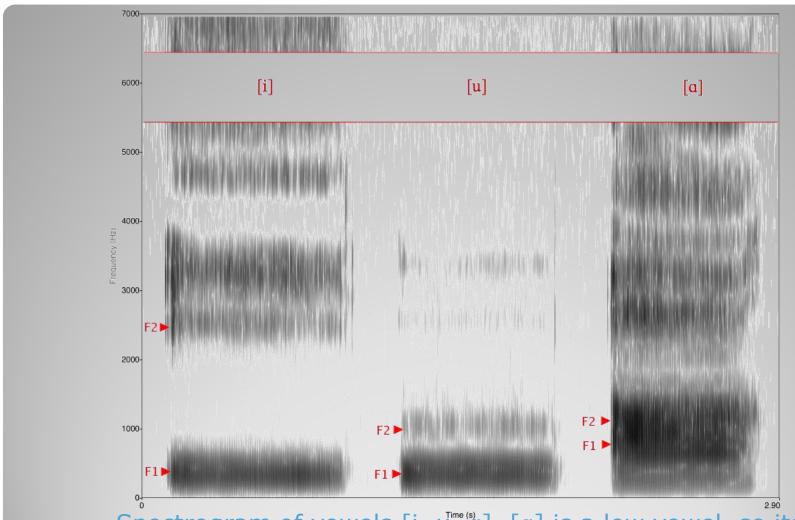
#### The International Phonetic Alphabet Keyboard (2005 revised edition)

#### Consonants (Pulmonic)

Missing some symbols? Apply Doulos SIL font

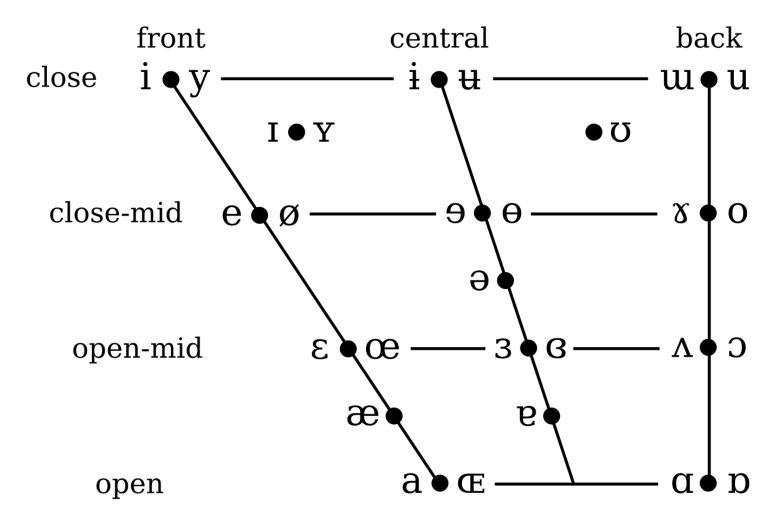
	Bila	bial	Labiod	ental	Der	ntal	Alve	eolar	Posta	lveolar	Retn	oflex	Pal	atal	Ve	elar	Uvi	ular	Phary	ngeal	Glo	ttal
Plosive	p	b					t	d			t	þ	С	J	k	g	q	G			?	
Nasal		m		mj				n				η		ŋ		ŋ		N				
Trill		В						r										R				
Tap or Flap				٧				ſ				r										
Fricative	ф	β	f	٧	θ	ð	s	Z	ſ	3	ş	z	Ç	j	X	γ	Χ	R	ħ	٢	h	h
Lateral fricative							4	ß														
Approximant				υ				J				Į		j		щ						
Lateral approximant								1				l		λ		L						

Where symbols appear in pairs, the one to the right represents a voiced consonant. Shaded areas denote articulations judged impossible.



Spectrogram of vowels [i, u, d]. [a] is a low vowel, so its F1 value is higher than that of [i] and [u], which are high vowels. [i] is a front vowel, so its F2 is substantially higher than that of [u] and [a], which are back vowels.

#### **VOWELS**



Symbols represent (unrounded ● rounded) vowels.

Front	Front	Central	Back
High	i		u
riigii	I		σ
Mid	е	ə	O
	ε	٨	О
Low	æ		
		а	а

# Phonemes and phonological systems in simplistic representation

	Language	Consonants	Vowels	Total
1	Russian	36	6	42
2	English	24	20	44
3	French	17	15	32
4	German	22	18	40
5	Abkhazian	68	3	71
6	Finnish	13	8	21

#### Vocalization in *Arabic Writing*

Arabic vocalization (Ali by Mathieu Réguer)



## Phonological units allophone ['æləˌfəʊn]

In English the aspirated initial (p)
(in 'pot' or 'pin')
and the unaspirated (p)
(in 'spot' 'or spin') are allophones of the
phoneme /p/, as well as /t/ in 'top' and
'stop', whereas in ancient Greek the
distinction was phonemic

#### Orthoepy ['ɔ:θəʊˌεpɪ]

The OED recognizes the variants:
/ˈɔːθəʊˌiːpi/, /ˈɔːθəʊˌɛpi/, /ˈɔːθəʊɨpi/,
and /ɔːˈθəʊɨpi/ for BrE, as well as
/ɔrˈθoʊəpi/ for AmE.

is the study of correct or standard pronunciation Etymology: from Greek orthoepeia, from ORTHO- straight + epos word

# What is the difference between just animal sounds and the sounds of human language?

Speak out your mind!

#### Paralinguistics [pærəlɪŋ'gwɪstɪks]

#### Paralanguage ['pærə læŋgwɪdʒ]

is the non-lexical component of communication by speech, for example intonation, pitch and speed of speaking, hesitation noises...

When at large - pieces of pon-vent.

When at large – pieces of non-verbal semiotics, such as body language included (e.g. gesture and facial expression).

### Inflection, Root, Morphs, regular sound correspondences, morphophonology

- a) CORPUS,
- b) GENUS,
- c) IUS,
- d) CUSTOS,
- e) AETAS,
- f) PLEBS,
- g) LEX,
- h) LUX,

#### **Nominative case**

### Inflection, Root, Morphs, regular sound correspondences, morphophonology

- a) CORPORIS,
- b) GENERIS,
- c) IURIS,
- d) CUSTODIS,
- e) AETATIS,
- f) PLEBIS,
- g) LEGIS,
- h) LUCIS

#### **Genetive case**



Read about Phonetic Elision in English



A glossary of linguistic terms https://glossary.sil.org/term



Watch the video and check yourself!



**Check yourself!** 

Approximant (noun) is a consonant produced by bringing one articulator (the tongue or lips) close to another without actually touching it, as in English /r/ and /w/ Approximants are speech sounds that involve the articulators approaching each other but not narrowly enough nor with enough articulatory precision to create turbulent airflow. Therefore, fall between fricatives, which do produce a turbulent airstream, and vowels, which produce no turbulence.

#### **Check yourself!**

#### alternation [ˈɔːltə'neɪʃ(ə)n

is the phenomenon of a morpheme exhibiting variation in its phonological realization.

Each of the various realizations is called an alternant [o:l'ts:nent].

The variation may be conditioned by the phonological, morphological, and/or syntactic environment [ɪn'vaɪər(ə)nmənt ], [en-] / in which the morpheme finds itself.

alternation [,o:lta'neɪʃ(a)n

- Sandhi (/ˈsʌndi, ˈsæn-, ˈsɑːn-/; Sanskrit: संधि saṃdhí [sendhi] is is a cover term for a wide variety of sound changes that occur at morpheme or word boundaries. Examples include:
  - ✓ Movable nu v (in Ancient Greek);
  - ✓ Crasis (/ˈkreɪsɪs/ a type of contraction in which two vowels or diphthongs merge into one new vowel or diphthong, making one word out of two.;

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- ✓ Elision is the omission of one or more sounds (such as a vowel, a consonant, or a whole syllable) in a word or phrase.
- ✓ Liaison (French: [ljɛ.zɔ̃] is the pronunciation of a latent word-final consonant immediately before a following vowel sound.
- ✓ Linking and intrusive R.

Sandhi (/ˈsʌndi, ˈsæn-, ˈsɑːn-/; Sanskrit: संधि saṃdhí [sendfi]

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• Q-01. English I have /aɪ 'hæv/ /aɪv/
 (I've) is a sample of
         a) disfix;
         b) epenthesis (/ɪˈpɛn\thetaəsɪs, \epsilon-/;
         c) elsion [1'l13(ə)n];
         d) excrescence [iks'kres(ə)n(t)s],
         [eks-]
         e) svarabhakti or anaptyxis
         (/ ænəp'tiksis/;
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#### **Check yourself!**

- Q-01. Ablaut grades
- In Proto-Indo-European, the basic, inherent vowel of most syllables was a short e.
- Ablaut is the name of the process whereby this short e changed, becoming short o, long  $\bar{e}$ , long  $\bar{o}$  or sometimes disappearing entirely to leave no vowel at all.

#### • Q-01. Ablaut grades

Thus, ablaut turned short *e* into the following sounds:

zero	short	long
Ø		ē
	0	ō

- Ablaut grades
- If a syllable had a short *e*, it is said to be in the "e-grade" or "full grade". When it had no vowel, it is said to be in the "zero grade". Syllables with long vowels are said to be in "lengthened grade". (When the *e*-grade or the *o*-grade is referred to, the short vowel forms are meant.)

#### Ablaut grades in Greek

Ablaut grade	PIE (reconstructi on)	Greek	(Greek transliterated)	Translation
e-grade or full grade	*ph <sub>2</sub> - <b>t •r</b> -m	πα- <b>τέρ</b> -α	pa- <b>t ∮r</b> -a	"father" (noun, accusative)
lengthened e- grade	*ph <sub>2</sub> - <b>tér</b>	πα- <b>τήρ</b>	pa- <b>tér</b>	"father" (noun, nominative)
zero-grade	*ph <sub>2</sub> -tr-és	πα-τρ-ός	pa-tr-ós	"father's" (noun, genitive)
o-grade	*n-péh <sub>2</sub> -tor-m	ἀ-πά- <b>τ</b> ο <b>ρ</b> -α	a-pá- <b>tor</b> -a	"fatherless" (adjective, accusative)
lengthened o- grade	*n-péh <sub>2</sub> -tōr	ἀ-πά- <b>τωρ</b>	a-pá- <b>tōr</b>	"fatherless" (adjective, nominative

- Ablaut grades
   In this unusually neat example, the following can be seen:
- A switch to the zero-grade when the word stress moves to the following syllable.
- A switch to the o-grade when the word stress moves to the preceding syllable.
- A lengthening of the vowel when the syllable is in word-final position.

#### Ablaut grades

In PIE, there were already ablaut differences within the paradigms of verbs and nouns. These were not the main markers of grammatical form, since the inflection system served this purpose, but they must have been significant secondary markers.

In the daughter languages, these came to be important markers of grammatical distinctions. The vowel change in the Germanic strong verb, for example, is the direct descendant of that seen in the Indo-European verb paradigm.

 Ablaut grades: Examples in modern English are the following:

Infinitive	Preterit	Past participle
sing	sang	sung
give	gave	given
strive	strove	striven
break	br <mark>o</mark> ke	broken

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- Q-01.
- Umlaut ['omlaut] (esp in Germanic languages) the change of a vowel within a word brought about by the assimilating
- influence of a vowel or semivowel in a preceding or following syllable

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a) disfix;
b) epenthesis (/ɪˈpɛnθəsɪs, ε-/;
c) elision [ɪˈlɪʒ(ə)n];
d) excrescence [ɪksˈkres(ə)n(t)s],
[eks-]
e) svarabhakti or anaptyxis
(/ˌænəpˈtɪksɪs/;
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