

Pashto second position en(do)clisis and the syntax-prosody interface in LFG

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This talk

- New approach to the syntax-prosody interface in LFG
- Sample application to Pashto second position en(do)clitics

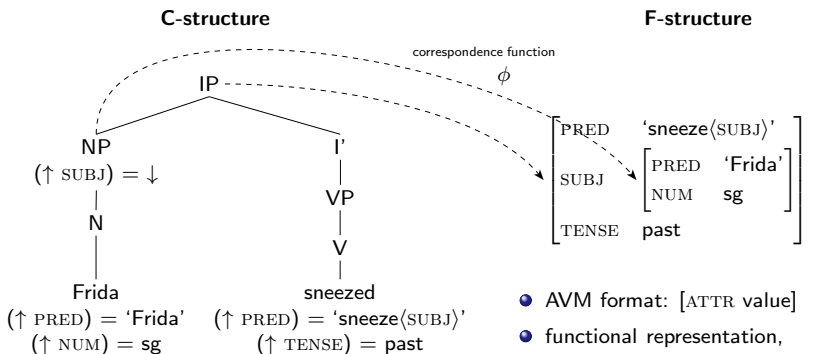
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LFG – a brief introduction

- Developed in the 1970s/1980s by Joan Bresnan and Ronald M. Kaplan
- Generative, non-transformational grammar theory
- Original account of LFG assumed two different ways of representing syntactic structure: c(onstituent)-structure and f(unctional)-structure.

Syntax: C(onstituent)– and F(unctional)–structure



- syntactic tree-format
- linear and hierarchical organization of words

- AVM format: [ATTR value]
- functional representation, predicate-argument structure
- no linear order per se

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| The lexical entry: | <i>sneezed</i> | V | (↑ PRED) = ‘sneeze(SUBJ)’ (↑ TENSE) = past |
| | <i>Frida</i> | N | (↑ PRED) = ‘Frida’ (↑ NUM) = sg |

Modularity

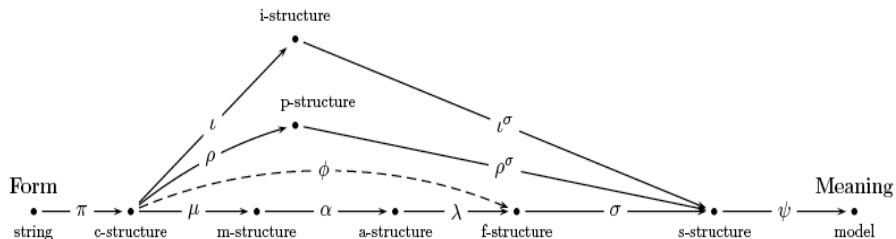
- Separation of different linguistic information is in line with general notion of modularity:

“Each aspect of linguistic structure is organized according to its own cohesive set of rules and principles” (Dalrymple 2001, 85)

- different aspects of linguistic information are not required to be of the same formal type
- representation should be determined by the properties of the linguistic information
- Different representations build up “in parallel” (\neq ‘separate’)

Overall architecture

In the last decades, several linguistic components have been added:



(Asudeh 2006, 373)

- located between two vanishing points FORM and MEANING (or phrased differently: *comprehension* and *production*)

Intermediate summary

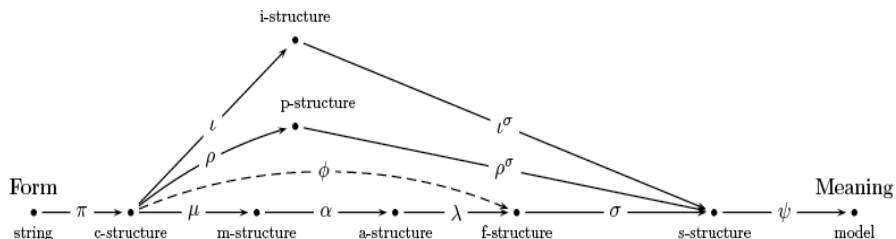
Concluding, the following statements can be made about LFG:

- 1 LFG is a modular framework; its 'structures' represent different types of linguistic information.
- 2 LFG does not assume encapsulated modularity; structures are built up in parallel (overlapping).
- 3 The different types of linguistic information are related via correspondence functions.
- 4 LFG supports the strong lexicalist hypothesis, the 'principle of lexical integrity', which assumes that only fully-formed words enter the syntactic tree.

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Grammar with focus on p-structure



(Asudeh 2006)

- ('Phonological') string is placed with FORM
- String instantiates information from each (lexical) item to terminal nodes of c-structure via the correspondence function π
- P-structure projected off c-structure via ρ (\Rightarrow syntax determines prosody)

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- 3 Where does the lexicon come in? Where are the postlexical phonological rules? And how are they positioned in relation to p- and c-structure?

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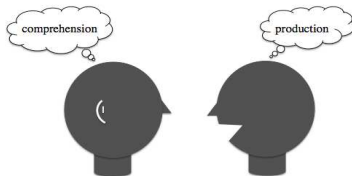
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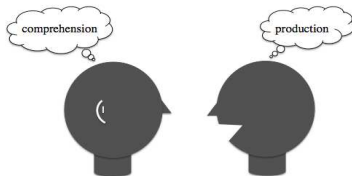


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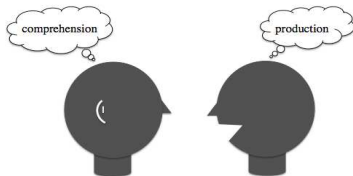
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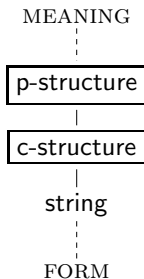
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- Allow for many different types of information to be processed

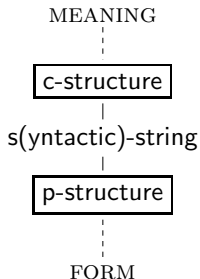
New proposal

'Old' architecture



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New Proposal



- Allows for a modular architecture: c- and p-structure can be 'interfaced' through string and lexical look-up
- Much closer to models of speech production

The integration of p-structure into LFG: requirements

Integration of phonological/prosodic information into LFG requires:

- 1 Extension of the lexicon to include lexical phonological information:
the multidimensional lexicon
 - 2 New representation of p-structure: **the p-diagram**
 - 3 Formalization of the syntax–prosody interface:
 - **transfer of structure**
 - **transfer of vocabulary**
- ⇒ The resulting interface was applied to a number of challenging phenomena: German case ambiguities (comprehension), Swabian clitics/n-insertion, Degema en(do)clisis, *Pashto second position en(do)clisis* (production)

1. Multidimensional lexicon

| concept | s(yntactic)-form | p(honological)-form |
|---------|---|---|
| SNEEZE | sneezed V (↑ PRED) = 'sneeze(SUBJ)' (↑ TENSE) = past | P-FORM [sni:zd] SEGMENTS / s n i: z d/ METRICAL FRAME ('σ) _ω |

- Modular: strict separation of module-related information
- each lexical dimension can only be accessed by the related module of language
- Translation function: Once a dimension is triggered, the related dimensions can be accessed as well and the information can be instantiated to the related modules
- Surface representation: fully fledged forms, but dynamic generation is assumed

2. The P-diagram

| | | | | | |
|---|---------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---|
| ↑ | ATTR. | ... | ... | ... | |
| ↑ | ATTR. | ... | ... | ... | |
| ↑ | ATTR. | ... | ... | ... | |
| | V_INDEX | S ₁ | S ₂ | S ₃ | → |

- Compact model imitating the linear nature of the speech signal over time
 - Structured syllable-wise ...
 - Each (horizontal) syllable receives a (vertical) feature vector which includes several dimensions
- Syllable associated with a number of values referring to a number of attributes
- Easily accessed (from a computational perspective)

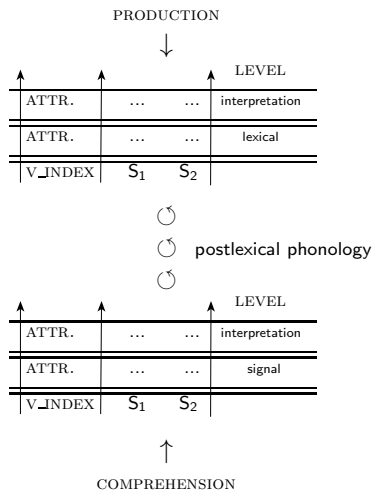
Three levels:

- 1 *lexical*: Information gathered from the lexical entry
- 2 *signal*: Information directly found in the signal
- 3 *interpretation*: Calculated on the basis of lexical, signal, and/or interpretation information

2. The P-diagram - levels and possible attributes

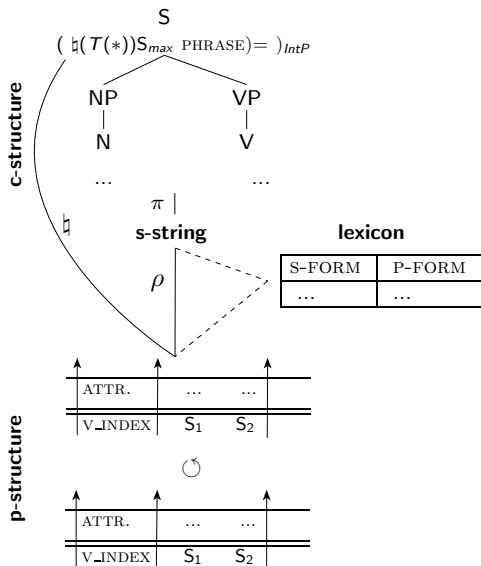
| | | | | | LEVEL |
|-------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| ↑ PHRASING | ω | ... | ... | ω | INTERPRETATION |
| SEMIT._DIFF | 2 | -3 | -4 | 2 | ↓ |
| TOBI | ... | ... | L* | ... | |
| BREAK_IND. | ... | ... | ... | 1 | |
| <hr/> | | | | | |
| F0 | 192 | 170 | 158 | 166 | SIGNAL |
| DURATION | 0.19 | 0.15 | 0.25 | 0.2 | ↓ |
| <hr/> | | | | | |
| LEX_STRESS | prim | | | | LEXICAL |
| LEX_TONE | H | !H | L | H | ↓ |
| VALUE | /ə n/ | /ɪ g/ | /z a m/ | /p l/ | |
| <hr/> | | | | | |
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The P-diagram in P-structure



- P-structure always has an input and an output
- input and output can be homogeneous - but might also be completely different
- A set of postlexical phonological rules is applied
- SIGNAL level is already part of the phonology–phonetics interface
- Output of p-structure in production: syntactic, lexical, and postlexical phonological information
- many other influencing factors can be assumed!! (i-structure, frequency, size, ...)

3. Transfer of information at the syntax–prosody interface



- 1 **Transfer of vocabulary:** ρ
Morphosyntactic/phonological information on lexical elements is exchanged via the multi-dimensional lexicon
- 2 **Transfer of structure:** $\natural(\equiv \rho(\pi^{-1}))$
Information on syntactic and prosodic grouping is exchanged (higher constituents of the prosodic hierarchy).
- 3 Exemplary c-structure annotation:
 $(\natural(T(*)S_{max} \text{ PHRASE})=)_{IntP}$
- 4 Underlying prosodic theory roughly following Selkirk (2011)'s *match* theory

Intermediate summary of the syntax–prosody interface

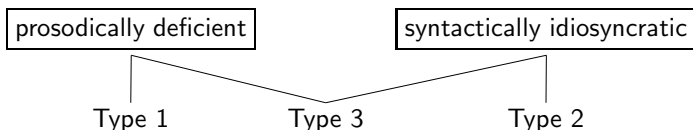
- The P-diagram is a compact and flexible representation of p-structure
- combination with postlexical phonological rules allows representation of a great variety of processes
- Transfer at the interface between syntax and p-structure is two-fold:
 - 1 *transfer of vocabulary* (through the multidimensional lexicon)
 - 2 *transfer of structure*
- Applicable for models of production as well as comprehension

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Some general notions on clitics

Anderson (2005)'s three-way distinction:



In LFG (and elsewhere) clitics are:

- ordinary lexical items, form independent terminal nodes in the syntactic tree
- prosodically deficient (in most cases), have to be attached to a host

Brief definition of endoclititics and second position clitics:

- *second position clitics (2P)*: 'second' mostly refers to position after first word or the first syntactic XP constituent, for prosodic or syntactic reasons (Halpern 1995)
- *endocclisis*: clitic is positioned within the stem of the host; a challenge for the concept of lexical integrity! And a very rare phenomenon.

Untangling 'Pashto second position en(do)clisis'

Pashto:

- Eastern Iranian language, ca. 50 Million speakers in Afghanistan/Pakistan
- Data presented here mainly from Tegey (1977) and native speaker N. Rehman

| Weak Pronoun | Num.&Pers. | Modal | Translation | Adverbial | Translation |
|--------------|------------|-------|--------------|-----------|-------------|
| me | 1. Sg | ba | will, should | xo | really |
| de | 2. Sg | de | should, let | no | then |
| ye | 3. Sg | | | | |
| am / mo | 1. Pl | | | | |
| am / mo | 2. Pl | | | | |
| ye | 3. Pl | | | | |

Expected to have functional scope over the whole sentence (daughters of S).

If more than two enclitics cooccur, they are placed in a fixed template (CCL).

- (1) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
 xo ba am am/mo me de ye no

Syntactic constraints

- SOV (Verbal complex (VC) is always final)
- Assume a flat syntactic structure (all XPs as immediate daughters of S)

(2) [angur]_{NP} = **ye** rαwṛə
 grapes he brought
 'He brought grapes.'

(3) [xušal aw patang]_{NP} = **ba** = **ye** dər ta rαwṛi
 Koshal and Patang will it you to bring
 'Koshal and Patang will bring it to you.'

*xušal = **ba** = **ye** aw patang dər ta rαwṛi

(4) [laylα na]_{PP} = **de** αxistə (*laylα = **de** na αxistə)
 Layla from you buy
 'You were buying it from Layla.'

Syntactic constraints

- (5) [aḡa šəl kaləna xαysta peḡla aw loy təḡay alək]_{NP} =**me** nən byα wəlida
 that 20- year pretty girl and big thirsty boy I today again saw
 'I saw that pretty 20-year old girl and the big thirsty boy again today.'
- (6) [tor =**me** wəlida] magar [spin =**me** wə nə lidə]
 Tor I saw but Spin I PERF not saw
 'I saw Tor, but I didn't see Spin.'

It can be concluded:

- Pashto 2P enclitics are clause-bound
 - Always placed after the first syntactic constituent
 - The size of that constituent does not matter
- Already difficult to find a common prosodic host – but do we need one?

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- ⇒ Adding to that problem: en(**do**)clisis

Endocclisis

- Pashto is an argument-dropping language
- sentences can consist of only a verb and a 2P clitic
- Endocclisis in the context of an aspect-determined stress alternation

(8a) **imperfective:**

ṭakwαh́ =me

shake I

'I was shaking it.'

(8b) **perfective:**

ṭák =me wαhə

shake₁ I shake₂

'I shook it.'

- The 2P enclitic does not only change its linear position, but 'moves' *into* the stem of the host ⇒ *endoclititic*
- ⇒ With respect to the verbal hosts, three classes can be distinguished:

Class I: 'Monomorphemic' verbs

(9a) imperfective

təxnawála =me

tickle I

'I was tickling (her).'

(9b) perfective

wá =me təxnawəla (*wátəxnawəla =me)

PERF I tickle

'I tickled (her).'

Perfective aspect formed with perfective prefix *wə*

→ Receives main stress

⇒ The clitic is placed after the stressed prefix

Class I: The *a*-initial verbs

- Form perfective with *wə*-prefix
- Can have alternating stress in the imperfective

(10a) **imperfective:**

aḡustá =me

wear I

'I was wearing it.'

(10b) **imperfective:**

á =me ḡustə

wear₁ I wear₂

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- Indication that the important factor is not the aspectual feature, but rather the position of stress
 - Endocclisis denial: /a/ as separate clitic/prefix from a diachronic perspective(?)
- Not true for all *a*-initials, but reanalysis?
- No longer true from a synchronic perspective

Class II: 'Bimorphemic' verbs

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Also a group of verbs which do not contain an identifiable prefix/root

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| <p>(12a) imperfective</p> <p>baylódə =me lose I 'I was losing (it).'</p> | <p>(12b) perfective</p> <p>báy =me lodə lose₁ I lose₂ 'I lost (it).'</p> |
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Class III: Complex predicates

Complex predicates: combination of adjectives/adverbs/nouns and light verbs

→ if stress on the light verb: clitic follows the complex predicate

→ if stress on first part: clitic positioned preceding the light verb

perfective:

- (13) póx =me kə
 cook I do
 'I cooked (it).'

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Resulting prosodic range: from several phonological phrases to stressed syllables.

essentially:

size does not matter,
 but stress does,
 and while verbs can be interrupted,
 other syntactic constituents cannot?

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- ⇒ Closer look at the syntactic and prosodic requirements...
and the crucial example:

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⇒ **Assumption:** *Syntactic* clitic, syntactically attaching to the constituent which ensures sentential scope: the VC [$r\alpha$ $sara$ $pezani$]_{VC}

⇒ **Consequence:** There will never be a completely unstressed constituent preceding the verbal complex!

Syntactic analysis (LFG)

(Simplified) syntactic analysis very straightforward:

$$S \longrightarrow [\{XP \ 2P \ XP^* \mid 2P\} \ VC] \quad (\text{where } XP = \{NP \mid PP \mid AP \mid \text{AdjP}\})$$

Two possible constructions:

① $XP \ 2P \ XP^* \ VC$

→ no further rearrangements necessary

② $2P \ VC$

→ **Enlitics** in clause-initial position require repositioning (via prosodic inversion)

Prosodic inversion

Main question: What is the 'landing place' of the 2P clitic?

⇒ Answer to that with evidence from several phonological processes:

- 1 vowel coalescence
- 2 vowel harmony
- 3 initial /k/-deletion

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- postlexical process – also occurs with negative marker which is a separate syntactic item

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'Good female camels'

Vowel harmony II

- 1 VH applies to all word categories if the phonological context is given.
- 2 Within the verbal complex, VH spreads to both groups of clitics.
- 3 VH cannot cross the boundary between two lexically stressed words (two individual prosodic words); i.e., vowel harmony is not restricted by the phonological phrase.
- 4 VH cannot spread to a 2P clitic that is outside of the verbal complex, even if it is directly preceding it.

Conclusion: can be assumed that the verbal complex itself forms one prosodic word, including the main verb and both types of clitics.

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(25) **Deletion never occurs:**

[dzhobəl k-em]_{VC}

injured do

'I injure...'

Assumption: Some boundary prevents the deletion

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- strong enough to restrict /k/-deletion
- weak enough to let processes like vowel harmony pass

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Prosodic Inversion: Within the verbal complex in Pashto, a 2P clitic is placed *after the first prosodic word*.

Summing up

- ❶ Pashto 2P clitics are subject to both, syntactic and prosodic constraints.
- ❷ If there is a preceding syntactic constituent, the (syntactic) 2P placement is always sufficient:
 - *There are never unstressed syntactic constituents preceding the 2P clitics*
- ❸ If syntactically and prosodically stranded in a phrase-initial position, postlexical prosodic inversion ensures correct prosodic placement
 - The 2P clitic is placed after the first prosodic word
- ❹ As for the analysis: straightforward implementation at the syntax-prosody interface in LFG

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LFG analysis at the syntax → prosody interface

(26) $w\alpha$ = **ye** xla
 PERF.buy₁ it buy₂
 '(You) buy it.'

→ verb-initial perfective construction

- ❶ part of the *prosodic* placement of 2P clitics
- ❷ a-initial verb *axla* marks the perfective aspect with the prefix *wə-* (class I)
- ❸ two postlexical phonological processes: vowel coalescence and prosodic inversion

Corresponding syntactic rule:

$$S \longrightarrow \dots [\{XP \text{ CCL } XP^* \mid \mathbf{CCL} \} \mathbf{VC}]$$

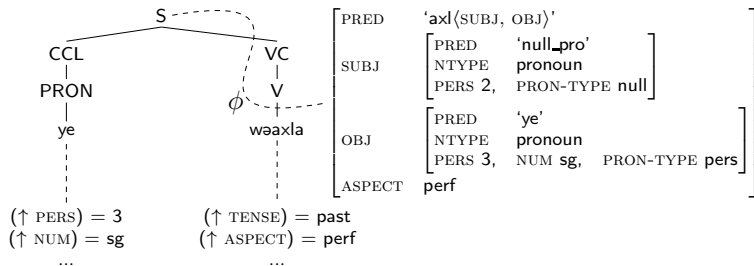
... where CCL stands for 'clitic cluster'

1. Lexical entries

| s-form | p-form |
|---|--|
| wə-axla V (↑ PRED) = 'axl⟨SUBJ, OBJ⟩' (↑ TENSE) = past (↑ ASPECT) = perf ... | P-FORM [wəaxla] SEGMENTS /w ə a x l a/ METR. FRAME 'σ) _ω σσ |
| ye PRON (↑ PRED) = 'ye' (↑ PERS) = 3 (↑ NUM) = sg (↑ CL-TYPE) = 2P ... | P-FORM [ye] SEGMENTS /y e/ METR. FRAME =σ |

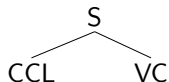
C- and F-structure

C- and F-structure representation of *wax ye xla* 'Buy it':



- F-structure representation shows the dropped subject argument ('null_pro')
 - C-structure: only includes CCL and VC as immediate daughters of S
- CCL node containing the 2P clitic = *ye* stranded clause-initially
- ⇒ condition for prosodic 2P clitic placement is created

2. Transfer of structure



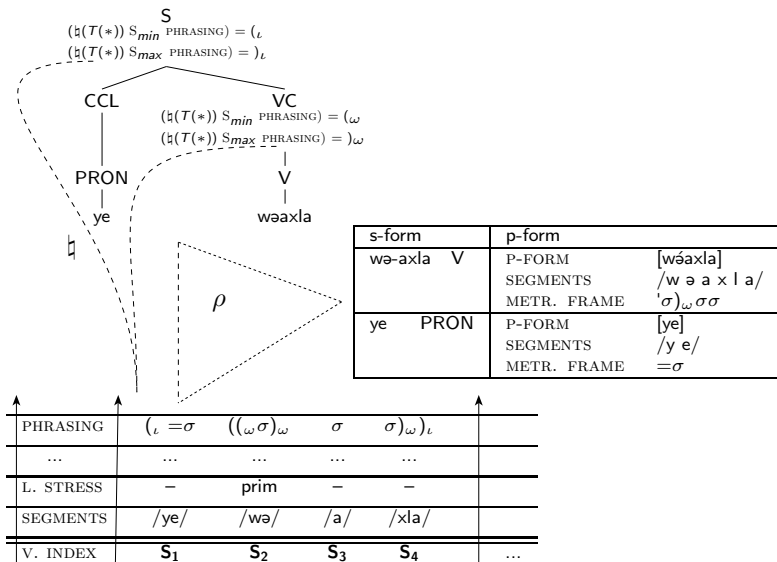
S: projects an intonational phrase

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VC: projects a prosodic word

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CCL: does not project structural information to p-structure

Transfer of structure and vocabulary: *ye wəaxlə*

Postlexical phonological rules

input p-structure



| | | | | | |
|-----------|-------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|-----|
| PHRASING | $(\iota = \sigma$ | $((\omega \sigma)_{\omega}$ | σ | $(\sigma)_{\omega})_{\iota}$ | |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| L. STRESS | - | prim | - | - | |
| SEGMENTS | /ye/ | /wə/ | /a/ | /xla/ | |
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⊙ vowel coalescence: $\text{əa} \rightarrow \alpha / (\omega ?^* _ ?^*)_{\omega}$

⊙ prosodic inversion: $(\iota = \sigma + (\sigma =)^* \omega \rightarrow (\iota (\sigma =)^* \omega = \sigma +$

| | | | | |
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output p-structure: $\Rightarrow w\alpha ye xla$

The output of p-structure

- Combination of syntactic structure, lexical information, and postlexical phonological rules from the perspective of production
- Linear order of p-structure output does not have to be congruent to the syntactic linear order!! (Prosody has the 'last word')
- Note on comprehension: The processes described in this section from the perspective of production are completely reversible!

Summary

Main goal: Provide a ‘road map’ which allows the integration of lexical and postlexical phonology and prosody into LFG

- new representation of p-structure: the p-diagram
 - extension of the lexicon to include phonological information
 - transfer of information between c- and p-structure on two levels:
 - *transfer of vocabulary*
 - *transfer of structure*
 - modular: each module with separate processes and vocabulary, no extra formal power is needed
 - reversible: applicable to production and comprehension
 - can be implemented computationally
- ⇒ analysis of challenging phenomena like Pashto 2P en(do)clisis now possible at the syntax– prosody interface

Thank you!

... questions, comments...?