

Antepenultimate mora effects – typology and representation

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In many accentual systems, a high tone is placed on (the syllable that contains) the antepenultimate (=APU) mora. Three well-known cases are Attic Greek recessive accent (Steriade 1988, Golston 1990, Kiparsky 2003), Tokyo Japanese loanword accentuation (McCawley 1978, Kubozono 2006), and Gilbertese high pitch placement (Blevins & Harrison 1999).

(1)	<p>a. Attic Greek</p> <p>...LLL phi.ló.so.phos ‘lover of wisdom’ (nom.sg.)</p> <p>...HL sóo.ma ‘body’ (nom.sg.)</p> <p>...HLH soo.má.toon ‘bodies’ (gen.pl.)</p> <p>...HLL soó.ma.ta ‘bodies’ (nom.pl.)</p> <p>...LHH anth.roó.poon ‘persons’ (gen.pl.)</p> <p>...LHL ánth.roo.pos ‘person’ (nom.sg.)</p> <p>...HHL deé.mee.ter ‘Demeter’ (nom.sg.)</p> <p>c. Gilbertese</p> <p>...HLL ŋkeé.ma.tuú.na.ko ‘when he fell asleep’</p> <p>...LHH máa.ki.bá.na.ko.ní.ka.kaá.ea ‘and they flew off in search of him’</p> <p>...LLH á.i.ka.kám.β^wo.ŋó.raa ‘those of you who are listening’</p>	b.	<p>Tokyo Japanese</p> <p>...LLL su.tó.re.su ‘stress’</p> <p>...HL páa.ku ‘park’</p> <p>...HLH baa.bé.kyuu ‘barbecue’</p> <p>...HLL bóo.na.su ‘bonus’</p> <p>...LHH su.ní.kaa ‘sneaker’</p> <p>...LHL gu.rúu.pu ‘group’</p> <p>...HHL noi.róo.ze ‘Neurose’</p>
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Similar APU mora high tone placement rules occur in Bantu languages, such as Kinga (Schadeberg 1973, Hyman 2006), Safwa (Voorhoeve 1973, Odden 1988), and Malila (Kutsch Lojenga 2007).

(2)	<p>a. Safwa</p> <p>...LLL inhayí-bala ‘I will not go’</p> <p>...HL ama-páanga ‘swords’</p> <p>...HLL uha-jeéndile ‘you walked’</p>	b.	<p>Kinga</p> <p>okóvala ‘to count’</p> <p>okogéenda ‘to go’</p> <p>okohwaánana ‘to become similar’</p>
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In its purest form (e.g. Gilbertese), APU mora accentuation shows two properties: (a) *mora-accenting*: the high tone is located on either the first or second mora of a bimoraic syllable, whichever happens to be in APU position; (b) *mora-counting*: it totally disrespects syllable boundaries. These two properties are logically independent, yet tend to cluster cross-linguistically. For example, the properties co-occur in Gilbertese, where the syllable seems to play no role at all in APU high tone placement. The reverse situation (syllable-accenting and -counting) is found in many quantity-sensitive APU stress languages (e.g. Latin, many varieties of Arabic), as well as in Tokyo Japanese loanword accentuation (younger speakers; Shinohara 2000, Kubozono 2006). Yet interestingly, the two properties can be dissociated in accentual systems in two ways, suggesting that there is no absolute boundary between mora-based and syllable-based languages.

For example, mora-counting and syllable-based accentuation co-occur in Tokyo Japanese loanword accentuation (older speakers; McCawley 1978, Kubozono 2006). Tokyo Japanese is mora-counting, as shown by the contrast between ...'LLL# (/su.tó.re.su/ ‘stress’) vs. ...L'LH# (/baa.bé.kyuu/ ‘barbecue’). In case an APU mora is the second mora of a bimoraic syllable, high tone is retracted to the pre-APU mora, e.g. 'HLL# /bóo.na.su/ ‘bonus’; L'HH# /su.ní.kaa/ ‘sneaker’. Interestingly, at least one stress language shows a similar pattern: Dihovo Macedonian (Groen 1977, Crosswhite 2001).

The mirror image case is mora-accenting yet the counting process respects syllable boundaries to some extent. This occurs in Attic Greek, where the accent is freely located on the second mora of a bimoraic vowel in APU position (/soó.ma.ta/ ‘bodies, nom.pl.’; /anth.roó.poon/ ‘persons, gen.pl.’), yet accent is retracted to the pre-APU mora in forms ending in LHL# (/ánth.roo.pos/ ‘person, nom.sg.’) or HHL#; /deé.mee.ter/ ‘Demeter, nom.sg.’). In a foot-based analysis (Sauzet 1989; Golston 1990), high tone is associated immediately to the left of a bimoraic foot [LL] or [H], targeting the APU mora (...L[LL]#, ...H[LL]#, ...LL[H]#,...H[H]#); yet a final sequence ...HL# cannot be parsed into a bimoraic trochee, and consequently, the H tone appears one mora further to the left (...L[H]L#, ...H[H]L#). (There is a problem with Golston’s analysis, however, which we will discuss.)

In sum, two factors seem to govern the typology of APU mora systems: (i) Heavy syllables may refuse accentual marking of their second (‘weak’) mora. (E.g. high-tone-to-head-mora attraction); (ii) Heavy syllables may refuse being split between feet (Syllable Integrity).

A typological continuum emerges ranging from (a) purely mora-based (Gilbertese) to (b) mora-based but syllable-integrity-respecting (Ancient Greek) to (c) mora-counting but syllable-accenting (Tokyo Japanese, Dohovo Macedonian) to (d) syllable-integrity-respecting and syllable-stressing (Latin).

	Respects syllable-integrity	Disrespects syllable-integrity
Allows accent on the second mora of a bimoraic syllable	Attic Greek recessive accent	Gilbertese high pitch
Disallows accent on the second mora of a bimoraic syllable	Latin stress Tokyo Japanese (innovative)	Tokyo Japanese (conservative) Dihovo Macedonian

In this talk we will explore the moraic-to-syllabic continuum in tone languages, ‘accentual’ and ‘non-accentual’, as well as in stress languages. Interestingly, similar moraic effects emerge at the left edge of prosodic words. For example, high tone placement in Winnebago (Miner 1979, Hale & White Eagle 1980), Aguaruna (Payne 1990, Alderete 2001, Overall 2006) and Llogoori (Leung 1986, Goldsmith 1992) is bounded by a trimoraic domain at the left edge of the word.

Our analysis of APU and post-peninitial mora effects will draw on the Internally Layered (IL) foot, a minimally recursive prosodic constituent proposed by Martínez-Paricio & Kager (2012, in progress), originally proposed for (binary and ternary) stress languages, which unifies the phenomena to a large extent, and which also allows for an insightful typology. The representational importance of our study resides in the prosodic representation of syllable integrity violations: we will show that under duress of foot well-formedness constraints, metrical feet can immediately dominate moras.