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| July 15, 2011 | call for papers |
| January 15, 2012 | submission of abstract |
| March 31, 2012 | notification of acceptance |
| April 1-30, 2012 | early registration limited to (co-)authors only |
| May 7-31, 2012 | early registration open to everybody |
| May 21, 2012 | submission of 2-page abstract of all invited and accepted oral and poster presentations |
| June 15-July 15, 2012 | late registration until filled to capacity |
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Deadline for abstract submission: 15 January 2012

Notification of acceptance: 31 March 2012

Abstracts are solicited for contributed papers for presentation as 20-minute oral contributions or as posters. Contributions relating to the conference themes are especially encouraged; there will also be sessions for non-thematic papers.

The overall theme for the conference is **“Phonological and phonetic computations: between grammar and neural activity.”** Our goal is to bring together researchers from phonology, phonetics, and adjacent psycho- and neurosciences and to seek to advance these disciplines by encouraging the joint pursuit of interdisciplinary research questions. Specific topics that address this theme are the following:

- **Simulation as a research method in Laboratory Phonology.**
- **Temporal mechanisms in neural processing of sounds and prosodies.**
- **Rhythm and Temporal Structure.**
- **Rich memory for rich phonology.**

Non-thematic sessions (both oral and poster) will include contributions to other topics of interest to the LabPhon community.

Abstracts are to be submitted as a PDF file at the following address:

<https://www.softconf.com/c/labphon13/>

Abstracts are anonymous. The author’s name and affiliation should not appear in the PDF file. The maximum length for the abstract is two pages. This length restriction will be strictly enforced. Latex and Word document templates are available on the conference homepage under [Submission](#). Please make sure that all special fonts and symbols are embedded in the PDF document and display properly.

One individual may be an author on no more than two submitted abstracts. All abstracts must be written in English. Presentations will be given in English. The abstracts will be evaluated anonymously by the scientific committee.

When completing the submission form, having first logged in at the website above, you will see a space which asks for a short summary to be typed in. This is not the place for your real abstract! Please enter a short statement (no more than 100 words) summarizing your paper. Further down the page is where you will upload your real abstract as an attachment (PDF file).

The submission form also asks you to identify which of the conference themes your paper relates to. If your paper does not relate to any of the themes, please select “non-thematic”.

Publication of a Special Issue of Laboratory Phonology (guest editors Martine Grice and Doris Mücke)

One issue of [Laboratory Phonology](#) is reserved for papers from Labphon13. Owing to the limitations in space for full papers, the special issue will be restricted to one broad topic area “Temporal Structure and Mechanisms of Timing”. This covers two of the thematic areas: “Rhythm and temporal structure” and “Temporal mechanisms in neural processing of sounds and prosodies”. Authors of papers in these categories have been contacted personally.

All authors whose papers are not considered for the special issue are encouraged to submit their manuscripts to the Laboratory Phonology journal as regular submissions.



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 - *Stephen D. Goldinger*: "The Surprisingly Lexical Behavior of Lexical Episodes"
 - *Robert F. Port*: "Linguistic memory does not rely on phones or phonemes"
 - *Holger Mitterer* (moderator)
- Invited Talk
 - *Ioana Chitoran*: "Tough data from tough languages"

Overview

Registration will be open on Thursday, July 26 2012, from 17:30-20:00 in the foyer in front of the lecture halls M 17.01 and M 17.02 in building "KII" (Keplerstraße 17). You will also be able to register at any time during the conference when our staff is present at the registration desk.

The welcome reception will take place at the Italian restaurant [Mezzogiorno](#) on Thursday, July 26 2012, from 18:00-21:00.

(See [below](#) for program details)

| Time | Thursday 26. 07. | Friday 27. 07. | Saturday 28. 07. | Sunday 29. 07. |
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| 08:00 | | 08:00-08:30 Opening ceremony | | |
| 08:30 | | 08:30-09:40 Debate: Simulation Technology | 08:30-09:40 Debate: Neural Processing | 08:30-09:40 Debate: Rich Memory for Rich Phonology |
| 09:40 | | 09:40-11:00 Poster Session 1 | 09:40-11:00 Poster Session 3 | 09:40-11:00 Poster Session 5 |
| 10:30 | | Coffee break | Coffee break | Coffee break |
| 11:00 | | 11:00 - 12:30 Oral Session 1 | 11:00 - 12:30 Oral Session 3 | 11:00-12:30 Oral Session 5 |

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| 12:30 | | Lunch break | Lunch break | 12:30-13:10 Invited Talk |
| 13:10 | | | | 13:10-13:20 Closing words |
| 14:00 | | 14:00-14:40 Invited Talk | 14:00-15:10 Debate: Rhythm and Temporal Structure | |
| | | Coffee break | Coffee break | |
| 15:30 | | 15:30-17:00 Oral Session 2 | 15:30-17:00 Oral Session 4 | |
| 16:45 | 16:45-18:00 Journal of Phonetics Board meeting | 17:30-20:00 Registration | | |
| 17:00 | | | 17:00-18:00 Poster Session 2 | 17:00-18:00 Poster Session 4 |
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| 18:00 | 18:00-21:00 Welcome Reception | | 18:00-18:40 Invited Talk | 18:00-19:00 ALP Members meeting |
| 19:00 | | | 19:00 ALP Board Meeting | 19:00-21:30 Conference Dinner |

Thursday, July 26, 2012

| Time | Session |
|---------------|--|
| 11:00 - 17:30 | Satellite Workshop: Phonological and phonetic competence Location: IMS (Pfaffenwaldring 5b, 70569 Stuttgart), Room 5.01 and 5.02 |
| 16:45 - 18:00 | Board meeting of the Journal of Phonetics Location: Room 17.73 in KII |
| 17:30 - 20:00 | Registration Location: Foyer KII |
| 18:00 - 21:00 | Welcome Reception Location: Mezzogiorno |

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Friday, July 27, 2012

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| 08:00 - 08:30 | Opening Ceremony Location: Auditorium 17.01 |
| 08:30 - 09:40 | Debate: “Simulation Technology” Moderator: Antje Schweitzer; Location: Auditorium 17.01 <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>Bruce Hayes</i>: “The role of computational modeling in the study of sound structure”▪ <i>Andrew Wedel</i>: “Modeling as an integrated tool in phonological research programs” |
| 09:40 - 11:00 | Poster Session 1 Location: Foyer KII <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>Marzena Żygis, Jana Brunner, Scott Moisik</i>: “The affinity of low vowels and glottal stops: an articulatory model and a perceptual investigation”▪ <i>Patricia Keating, Jianjing Kuang, Christina Esposito, Marc Garellek, Sameer Khan</i>: |

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| | <p>“Multi-dimensional phonetic space for phonation contrasts”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>Sara Mackenzie, Erin Olson, Meghan Clayards, Michael Wagner:</i> “The role of allophonic variation in speech segmentation”▪ <i>Silke Hamann and Katerina Chládková:</i> “Sound change as change in cue association: the case of Standard Southern British /u/-fronting”▪ <i>Christina Bjorndahl:</i> “The Phonology and Phonetics of Ambiguity: A Case Study of /v/”▪ <i>Janet C. E. Watson, Barry Heselwood, Munira Al-Azraqi, Samia Naïm, Reem Maghrabi:</i> “The language-specific nature of phonological categories: evidence from the interaction of laryngographic closed quotient values with manner of articulation”▪ <i>Conceição Cunha:</i> “Inter und intra-gestural coordination of initial stop-liquid consonant clusters in two varieties of Portuguese”▪ <i>Jason Shaw:</i> “The role of phonological competition in stress shift”▪ <i>Koen Sebregts and Patrycja Strycharczuk:</i> “Representational ambiguity and the phonetics of Dutch past tense formation”▪ <i>Hanna Ruch and Sandra Peters:</i> “Pre-aspiration and sound change in two varieties of Spanish”▪ <i>Heidrun Bien and Pienie Zwitserlood:</i> “Context effects on the categorization of assimilated nasals”▪ <i>Kevin Roon and Adamantios I. Gafos:</i> “Dynamical model of the perception-production link and the timecourse of phonological planning”▪ <i>Christo Kirov and Colin Wilson:</i> “How Phonological Context Affects Phonetic Realization”▪ <i>Marjoleine Sloos:</i> “Don’t (always) trust a native speaker”▪ <i>Cyril Dubois and Rudolph Sock:</i> “Audiovisual discrimination of CV syllables: a simultaneous fMRI-EEG study” |
| 10:30 - 11:00 | <p>Coffee break</p> <p>Location: Mezzogiorno</p> |
| 11:00 - 12:30 | <p>Oral Session 1</p> <p>Chair: Jonathan Harrington; Location: Auditorium 17.01</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ [11:00] <i>Charles B. Chang and Alan Mishler:</i> “The Role of Canonicity in Shaping Perceptual Biases in Speech Processing”▪ [11:20] <i>Eun Jong Kong and Jan Edwards:</i> “Individual differences in categorical speech perception”▪ [11:40] <i>Eleonora C. Albano:</i> “Conditions Favouring Biomechanically-Driven Consonant Vowel Co-Occurrence Biases in Lexicons”▪ [12:00] <i>Jeff Mielke:</i> “Bunched and retroflex vowels in Canadian French” |
| 12:30 - 14:00 | <p>Lunch break</p> |
| 14:00 - 14:40 | <p>Invited Talk</p> <p>Chair: Mary Beckman; Location: Auditorium 17.01</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>John Coleman:</i> “Sailing the Ocean of Speech” |
| 15:00 - 15:30 | <p>Coffee break</p> <p>Location: Mezzogiorno</p> |
| 15:30 - 17:00 | <p>Oral Session 2</p> <p>Chair: Catherine Ringen; Location: Auditorium 17.01</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ [15:30] <i>Caroline Schröder, Julia Holzgrefe, Isabell Wartenburger, Barbara Höhle:</i> “The processing of prosodic boundary cues in German infants”▪ [15:50] <i>Tamara V. Rathcke:</i> “Are truncated intonational contrasts neutralized?” |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ [16:10] <i>Alejandrina Cristia, Yasuyo Minagawa-Kawai, Natalia Egorova, Inga Vendelin, Emmanuel Dupoux:</i> "The emergence of language-specific knowledge in the infant brain"▪ [16:30] <i>Margaret E. L. Renwick:</i> "Phonological Effects on Vowel Coarticulation and Variability" |
| 17:00 | Poster Session 2 |
| - | Location: Foyer KII |
| 18:00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>Meghan E. Armstrong, Llorenç Andreu i Barrachina, Pilar Prieto:</i> "Children rely more on lexical items than intonation when inferring pragmatic meaning"▪ <i>Shiri Lev-Ari and Sharon Peperkamp:</i> "Inhibitory skill influences late bilinguals' VOT in their native language"▪ <i>Ivan Yuen, Katherine Demuth, Ben Davies:</i> "The quality and quantity of 2-year-olds' American English schwa"▪ <i>James P. Kirby and Alan C. L. Yu:</i> "Tracking the acquisition of L2 phonetic contrast in production and perception"▪ <i>Elizabeth McCullough:</i> "Acoustic correlates of perceived foreign accent in non-native English"▪ <i>Dinah Baer-Henney, Frank Kügler, Ruben van de Vijver:</i> "The interaction of L1 phonotactics and substance during acquisition of morphophonemic alternations with exceptions"▪ <i>Jan-Willem van Leussen:</i> "(Un)supervised category formation in multi-level phonological grammars"▪ <i>Joan Borràs-Comes, Constantijn Kaland, Suleman Shahid, Marc Swerts:</i> "Audiovisual correlates of interrogativity: a crosslinguistic study"▪ <i>Péter Rácz, Márton Sóskuthy, Dániel Szeredi:</i> "A phonetic study of I-deletion in Hungarian"▪ <i>Becky Butler:</i> "Intrusive Schwa in Khmer"▪ <i>Minjung Son, Hosung Nam, Jongho Jun:</i> "Dynamics of place assimilation: A case study in Korean" |
| 18:00 | Invited Talk |
| - | Chair: Marzena Żygis; Location: Auditorium 17.01 |
| 18:40 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>Paul Boersma:</i> "Neural Network Models of the Phonology-Phonetics Interface" |
| 19:00 | Board meeting of the Association for Laboratory Phonology |
| | Location: Room 11.01 (KII, 11th floor) |

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Saturday, July 28, 2012

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| 08:30 | Debate: "Neural Processing" |
| - | Moderator: Carsten Eulitz; Location: Auditorium 17.01 |
| 09:40 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>William J. Idsardi:</i> "Early Neural Correlates of Speech Sound Properties"▪ <i>Karsten Steinhauer:</i> "Electrophysiological Correlates of Prosodic Processing" |
| 09:40 | Poster Session 3 |
| - | Location: Foyer KII |
| 11:00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>Marc Garellek:</i> "A reanalysis of glottal stops and glottalization in English"▪ <i>Stefania Marin, Marianne Pouplier:</i> "Temporal organization of liquid clusters in Romanian"▪ <i>Amalia Arvaniti, Tara Rodriquez:</i> "The role of rhythm class, tempo and pitch in language discrimination"▪ <i>Leonardo Lancia:</i> "Non linear Dynamics of speech perception and perceptual learning: interaction across nested timescales"▪ <i>Michael Blasingame, Jennifer Cole, José Ignacio Hualde:</i> "Competing effects of prominence and vowel shift in Chicago English"▪ <i>Felicitas Kleber, Jonathan Harrington, Ulrich Reubold, Jessica Siddins:</i> "Compensation for coarticulation in lexically unstressed syllables" |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>Katrin Schweitzer, Kerstin Eckart, Grzegorz Dogil, Petra Augurzky:</i> "Prosodic Balance"▪ <i>Julia Holzgrefe, Caroline Schröder, Barbara Höhle, Isabell Wartenburger:</i> "Processing of prosodic boundary cues as revealed by event-related brain potentials"▪ <i>Mary Stevens:</i> "On emergent aspiration and its role in signaling consonant length in Italian"▪ <i>Robert Fuchs:</i> "A duration-based account of speech rhythm in Indian English"▪ <i>Gerrit Kentner:</i> "Computing rhythm in reading affects sentence comprehension"▪ <i>Juraj Šimko, Štefan Beňuš:</i> "Vocalic and consonantal intervals under continuous rate variation"▪ <i>Jessica Arbour, Tae-Jin Yoon, Anna Moro, John F. Connolly:</i> "Neurophysiological measures reveal the temporal dynamics of subphonemic cues"▪ <i>Maria-Josep Solé:</i> "The perception of voice-initiating gestures"▪ <i>Mary Pearce:</i> "Vowel harmony and reduction: Comparison of Kera and Massalit"▪ <i>Natalie Lewandowski:</i> "Amplitude envelopes in phonetic convergence measurement"▪ <i>Frank Zimmerer:</i> "Perception of deleted /t/ in German" |
| 10:30 - 11:00 | Coffee break Location: Mezzogiorno |
| 11:00 - 12:30 | Oral Session 3: <i>Temporal mechanisms in neural processing of sounds and prosodies</i> Chair: Pienie Zwitserlood; Location: Auditorium 17.01 <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ [11:00] <i>Naomi K. Berlove, Michael A. Caselli, Ariel M. Cohen-Goldberg:</i> "The Contribution of Root and Word Representations to the Phonological Processing of Multimorphemic Words"▪ [11:20] <i>Sam Tilsen, Louis Goldstein:</i> "Articulatory gestures are individually selected in production"▪ [11:40] <i>Ulrike Domahs, Johannes Knaus, Richard Wiese:</i> "Crosslinguistic ERP studies on prosodic structure and word stress representation"▪ [12:00] <i>Frank Zimmerer, Sonia Cornell, Henning Reetz, Carsten Eulitz:</i> "Massive reduction and lexical activation" |
| 12:30 - 14:00 | Lunch break |
| 14:00 - 15:10 | Debate: "Rhythm and Temporal Structure" Moderator: Usha Goswami; Location: Auditorium 17.01 <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>Amalia Arvaniti:</i> "Rhythm and timing"▪ <i>Jelena Krivokapić:</i> "Rhythm and Convergence between Speakers of American and Indian English" |
| 15:10 - 15:30 | Coffee break Location: Mezzogiorno |
| 15:30 - 17:00 | Oral Session 4: <i>Rhythm and temporal structure</i> Chair: Caroline Féry; Location: Auditorium 17.01 <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ [15:30] <i>Zofia Malisz, Marzena Żygis, Bernd Pompino-Marschall:</i> "Glottalisation as a consequence of rhythmic structure? A study of different speech styles in Polish and German"▪ [15:50] <i>Chiara Celata:</i> "VC(C) sequences in the temporal organization of languages"▪ [16:10] <i>Yulia Lavitskaya, Barış Kabak:</i> "Default stress and rhythmic alternations as evidence for trochaic foot in Russian"▪ [16:30] <i>Francesco Cangemi:</i> "Tempo and the Perception of Sentence Modality" |

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| 17:00 | Poster Session 4 |
| - | Location: Foyer KII |
| 18:00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>Iris Chuoying Ouyang, Khalil Iskarous:</i> "Tone perception affects syllable perception"▪ <i>Karen Bohn, Kai Alter, Ulrike Domahs:</i> "The function of rhythmical alternation in language processing: an ERP study on English compounds"▪ <i>Andreas Windmann, Juraj Šimko, Britta Wrede, Petra Wagner:</i> "Optimization based model of speech rhythm and timing"▪ <i>Marianna Nadeu:</i> "Phonetic vowel reduction in unstressed full vowels in Central Catalan"▪ <i>Bettina Braun, Yuki Asano:</i> "Eye-tracking data on the immediate contribution of prenuclear accents and f0-interpolations to utterance interpretation in German"▪ <i>Vance Schaefer, Isabelle Darcy:</i> "Cross-linguistic perception of Thai tones"▪ <i>Núria Esteve-Gibert, Pilar Prieto:</i> "Intonation and gesture movements are temporally coordinated"▪ <i>Alice Turk, Stefanie Shattuck-Hufnagel:</i> "Does speech timing control involve an extrinsic timekeeper?"▪ <i>Franziska Scholz, Yiya Chen:</i> "Sentential F0 scaling in Wenzhou Chinese"▪ <i>Fatima Hamlaoui, Sascha Coridun, Caroline Féry:</i> "Prosodic Correlates of Information Structure in N+A Noun Phrases in French" |
| 18:00 | Members meeting of the Association for Laboratory Phonology |
| - | Location: Auditorium 17.01 |
| 19:00 | |
| 19:00 | Conference Dinner |
| - | Location: Mezzogiorno |
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| Time | Session |
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| 08:30 | Debate: "Rich memory for rich phonology" |
| - | Moderator: Holger Mitterer; Location: Auditorium 17.01 |
| 09:40 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>Stephen D. Goldinger:</i> "The Surprisingly Lexical Behavior of Lexical Episodes"▪ <i>Robert F. Port:</i> "Linguistic memory does not rely on phones or phonemes" |
| 09:40 | Poster Session 5 |
| - | Location: Foyer KII |
| 11:00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>Yao Yao, Charles B. Chang:</i> "Reversal of a merger via cross-language influence: The case of Shanghainese and Mandarin"▪ <i>Iris Hanique, Ellen Aalders:</i> "The mental lexicon contains many pronunciation variants"▪ <i>Mybeth Lahey, Mirjam Ernestus:</i> "Acoustic reduction in infant-directed speech"▪ <i>Mathias Scharinger, Alexandra Bendixen, Jonas Obleser:</i> "Neural indices of consonant processing support sparse representations"▪ <i>Václav Jonáš Podlipský, Kateřina Chládková, Šárka Šimáčková:</i> "Length or height? Front-back symmetry in the Czech vowel system"▪ <i>Jeff Mielke, Lyra Magloughlin, Kuniko Nielsen:</i> "Individual differences in phonetic imitation: investigating the role of autistic-like traits"▪ <i>Timo B. Röttger, Bodo Winter, James Kirby, Martine Grice:</i> "Incomplete Neutralization - a cognitive artifact of lexical co-activation?"▪ <i>Stefanie Jannedy, Melanie Weirich:</i> "The Interpretation of Fine Phonetic Detail in Berlin German"▪ <i>Malte C. Viebahn, James M. McQueen, Mirjam Ernestus:</i> "Effects of Repetition and Temporal Distance on Vowel Reduction in Spontaneous Speech" |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>Benjamin V. Tucker, Antti Arppe:</i> “Modeling the occurrence of the allophones of /t/ in a spontaneous speech corpus using a discriminative learning approach”▪ <i>Daniel Duran, Jagoda Bruni, Michael Walsh, Hinrich Schütze, Grzegorz Dogil:</i> “Phonological constraints verified by a rich memory exemplar model: extrametricality and articulatory binding in Polish obstruent-sonorant rhymes”▪ <i>Rebecca Scarborough, Georgia Zellou:</i> “Continua of Clarity: Lexical Neighborhoods and Clear Speech”▪ <i>Mathias Scharinger, Philip J. Monahan, William J. Idsardi:</i> “Rapid extraction of dialect information from the speech input: Consequences for phonology”▪ <i>James White:</i> “On the learnability of saltatory phonological alternations”▪ <i>Lisa Davidson, Colin Wilson, Sean Martin:</i> “Phonological bias, phonetic likelihood: a Bayesian model of non-native cluster production errors”▪ <i>Will Dalton:</i> “Coarticulation or harmony? Gradient vowel assimilation in Canadian French” |
| 10:30 - 11:00 | Coffee break Location: Mezzogiorno |
| 11:00 - 12:30 | Oral Session 5: Rich memory for rich phonology Chair: Mariapaola D’Imperio; Location: Auditorium 17.01 <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ [11:00] <i>Alan Yu, Morgan Sonderegger:</i> “Frequency and longitudinal effects on perceptual compensation for coarticulation”▪ [11:20] <i>Georgia Zellou:</i> “Coarticulation in Perception: Evidence from Vowel Nasality as Perceptually Associated with Pharyngeal and Nasal Consonants in Moroccan Arabic”▪ [11:40] <i>Molly Babel, Chandan Narayan:</i> “Linguistic effects on talker discrimination: The effect of semantic cohesion”▪ [12:00] <i>Andrea L. Christy, Benjamin Munson:</i> “The Influence of Imputed Race on Speech Perception: Effects of Experience and Implicit Attitudes” |
| 12:30 - 13:10 | Invited Talk Chair: Bob Ladd; Location: Auditorium 17.01 <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>Ioana Chitoran:</i> “Tough data from tough languages” |
| 13:10 - 13:30 | Closing words Location: Auditorium 17.01 |

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| Time | Session |
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| 09:00 - 18:30 | Satellite Workshop: Advancing Prosodic Transcription for Spoken Language Science and Technology Location: IMS (Pfaffenwaldring 5b, 70569 Stuttgart) |

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*Note: There was a typo in the IBAN number on an earlier version of the registration form. The correct IBAN is **DE51 6005 0101 7871 5216 87**! (The PDF files have been corrected accordingly)*

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| Registration as | Early registration (before June 1, 2012) | Late registration (before July 16) | On-site registration (cash payment only) | One-day attendance (on-site cash payment only) |
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| LabPhon Member | 50 € | 50 € | 50 € | 50 € |
| Non-Member | 170 € | 200 € | 220 € | 80 € |
| Student LabPhon Member | 0 € | 0 € | 0 € | 0 € |
| Student Non-Member | 80 € | 100 € | 110 € | 80 € |

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You will be able to register at any time during the conference when our staff is present at the registration desk.



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Information for oral presentations

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(*note: this does not concern invited talks and debates)

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Please make sure to bring your presentation in a readable format: ppt, odp, sxi, or as a pdf file on a USB flash drive. Please do also check in advance whether all your audio files and other multi media clips you wish to use are included on the USB flash drive.

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Contact person: Natalie Lewandowski (general issues regarding regular oral presentations; natalie.lewandowski@ims.uni-stuttgart.de) and Wolfgang Wokurek and the technical assistants (presentation/laptop test, technical problems on-site; wolfgang.wokurek@ims.uni-stuttgart.de).

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Please bear in mind that there might be more than one poster session the day you present, so you are kindly asked to avoid placing your poster too early and also make sure it is taken down after your session ends.

Contact person: Katrin Schneider from the Local Committee (katrin.schneider@ims.uni-stuttgart.de).

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The submission deadline has passed!

Abstracts are anonymous. The author's name and affiliation should not appear in the PDF file. The maximum length for the text of the abstract is two pages. This length restriction will be strictly enforced. Latex and Word document templates are available on the conference homepage (see [download table below](#)). Please make sure that all special fonts and symbols are embedded in the PDF document and display properly.

One individual may be an author on no more than two submitted abstracts. All abstracts must be written in English. Presentations will be given in English. The abstracts will be evaluated anonymously by the scientific committee.

When completing the submission form, having first logged in at the website above, you will see a space which asks for a short summary to be typed in. This is not the place for your real abstract! Please enter a short statement (no more than 100 words) summarizing your paper. Further down the page is where you will upload your real abstract as an attachment (PDF file).

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- the paper submission will be handled via a web-interface

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Traveling by train

Stuttgart's main train station "Stuttgart Hauptbahnhof" is located in the centre of the city, near the [conference venue](#) at the university campus "Stadtmitte".

It's only a 5-10 min. walk from the main train station to the university campus.

Traveling by car

If you intend to travel by car, please keep in mind that Stuttgart is a "**low emission zone**" with restricted access for certain vehicles. More information on this issue can be found online at: www.stuttgart.de/item/show/335971.

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The closest bus stop "Katharinenhospital" is served by bus lines 40 and 42, and the underground light rail station "Friedrichsbau" is served by the city rail lines U9 and U14.

Information about public transport in the Stuttgart Region, as well as timetables and tickets can be found on the web pages of the [Transit and Tariff Association "VVS"](#).

Useful links

- www.stuttgart.de
- www.stuttgart-airport.com
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A number of hotels can be found via the [Google maps link](#). However, many of them do not have air-conditioning, which could mean that rooms will be very hot at the end of July.

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Our recommendations:

Kronen Hotel Stuttgart

- kronenhotel-stuttgart.com
 - Very close to the conference venue. Central, but quiet.
 - Special offer for LabPhon participants:
 - 99 € per night, per room: single room standard category
 - 108 € per night, per room: single room "Komfort" category
 - 156 € per night, per room: double room "Komfort" category
 - All prices including "gourmet breakfast" and web access
 - Underground car park: +10 € per day
 - All rooms have cable TV, direct telephone, bathroom with a shower or a tub, high speed internet access, minibar.
 - Non smoking hotel
 - Code word for reservations until June 27 2012: Labphon 13
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nestor Hotel Ludwigsburg

- en.nestor-hotel-ludwigsburg.de
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- Breakfast: +16 € per day.
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- Arrival: 26. 07. 2012; Departure: 29. 07.2012

ARCOTEL Camino Stuttgart

- www.arcotelhotels.com/en/camino_hotel_stuttgart
- Close to the railway station. Modern business hotel in an old historical building.
- 90 € per night, per room (single or double)
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Althoff Hotel Am Schlossgarten

- hotelschlossgarten.com
- Special offer for LabPhon participants:
 - Classic: single room, 130 € per night
 - Superior: single room, 145 € per night
 - Superior: double room, 165 € per night
 - Deluxe: single room, 160 € per night
 - Deluxe: double room, 180 € per night
- WiFi included
- Breakfast: +22 € per day and person.
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Hostel – City-Übernachtung Stuttgart

- Forststraße 71
70176 Stuttgart
- www.city-uebernachtung-stuttgart.de
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- You will need some form of identity e.g. passport, driving licence, national identity card.

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Venue

All sessions of LabPhon 13 will take place in building “K11” (Keplerstraße 17) on the campus “Stadtmitte” of the University of Stuttgart which is located in the centre of the city.

- Below you find a [map of the campus and its surroundings](#)
- The university provides additional information on [how to find the university campus](#)
- See [Keplerstraße 17 in Google maps](#)

Catering, welcome reception and conference dinner

The catering service for LabPhon 13 will be provided by the Italian restaurant [Mezzogiorno](#).

Conference participants are invited to enjoy the welcome reception, coffee breaks, as well as the conference dinner, in a pleasant garden restaurant right next to the conference venue.

The conference dinner will offer a menu composed of various meat and vegetarian dishes. We also recommend this restaurant for other meals, as it is known for its good quality coffee and food.

The opening hours are: Monday–Thursday and Sunday 10.30 AM – 1 AM, Friday and Saturday 10.30 AM – 2 AM.

Other restaurants

There are several restaurants within walking distance of the conference venue offering local and international cuisine, see map below.

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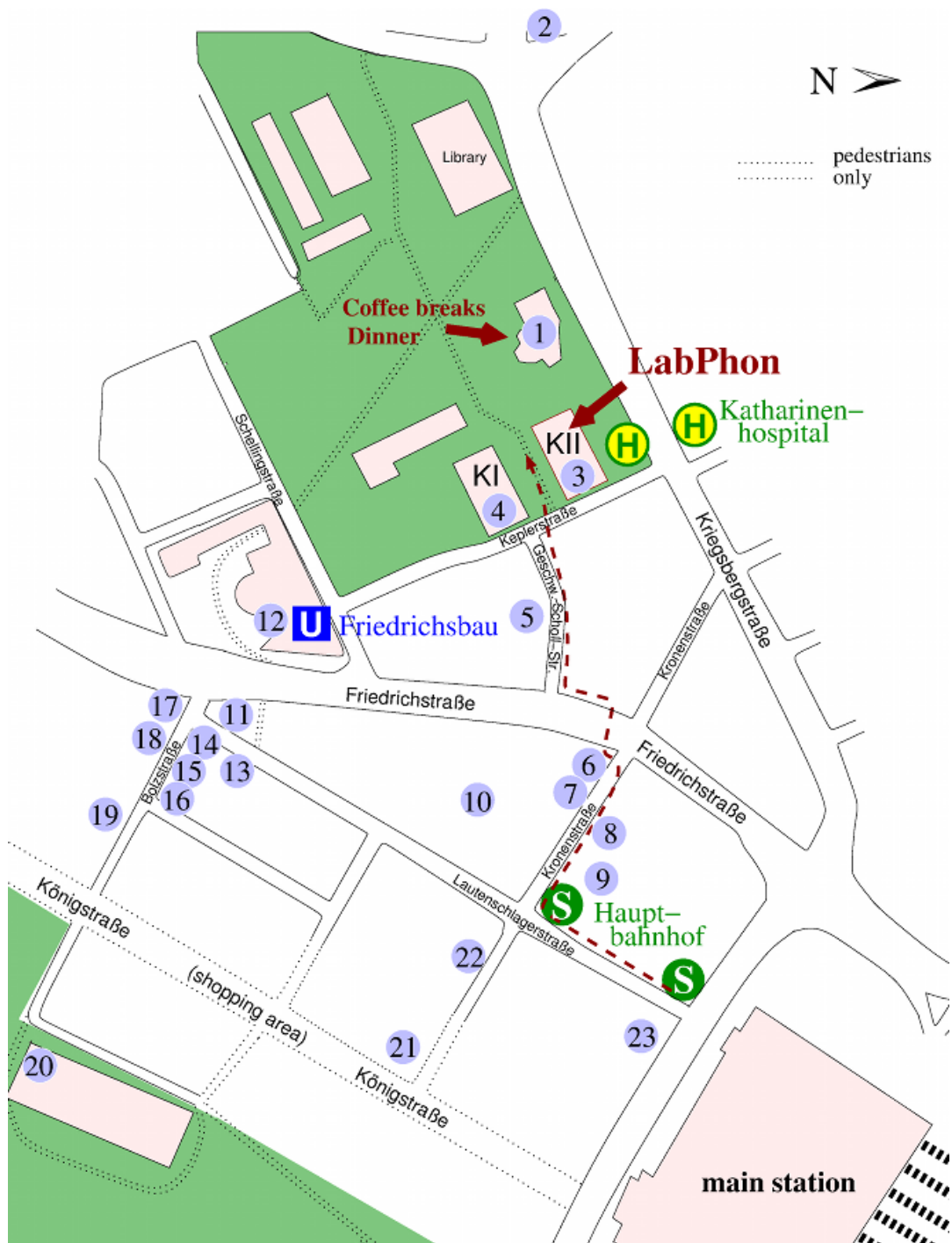
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The 13th Conference on Laboratory Phonology

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Advancing Prosodic Transcription for Spoken Language Science and Technology

A satellite workshop held in conjunction with LabPhon 13 in Stuttgart, Germany, July 30, 2012

Organizers: Jennifer Cole (U Illinois, USA) and Stefanie Shattuck-Hufnagel (MIT, USA)
Sponsored by the Association for Laboratory Phonology

This workshop addresses the challenge of prosodic transcription for research in spoken language sciences and for the development of computer speech technologies. Invited speakers and poster presenters include developers of transcription systems as well as researchers who are using these systems in their investigation and/or developing large prosodically labelled corpora. The goal is to discuss current best practices in prosodic transcription relating to the goals of linguistic and speech technology research, and identify directions for future development.

- Date of Workshop: Monday July 30, 2012

Inquiries can be sent to the organizers at jsc@illinois.edu or sshuf@mit.edu.

This workshop is sponsored by the Association for Laboratory Phonology, and ALP members will pay a reduced registration fee. For information on membership visit www.labphon.org.

Please register here: [Registration](#)

Venue

The workshop will be held on day following LabPhon conference at the [Institute for Natural Language Processing \(IMS\)](#), which is located on the Stuttgart University main campus in Vaihingen. The venue can be reached by public S-Bahn from the city center and the main conference location (lines S1, S2, S3; S-Bahn stop "Universität", 10 minutes from main station). Trains go every 10 minutes during the day, every 5 minutes during rush hour.

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There will be two short oral sessions of Poster Micro-presentations (before and after lunch), in which each poster will be introduced with at most one slide and a brief 3-minute "advertisement" of the poster. Please send your slide to Jennifer Cole (jsc@illinois.edu) in Powerpoint or PDF format by July 29th. All slides will be presented from the same computer.

Program (click titles to access abstracts)

| Time | Session |
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| 9:00 - 9:30 | On-site registration, coffee |
| | Session I: Developers of prosody transcription systems |
| 9:30 - 12:00 | Pilar Prieto & José I. Hualde Universitat Pompeu Fabra & University of Illinois Martine Grice Universität zu Köln Laura Dilley Michigan State University |
| 12:00 - 12:30 | Poster previews micro-presentations (I) |
| 12:30 - 14:00 | Lunch on your own |

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| | | Session II: Comments and discussion from researchers who use prosody annotated speech materials for their research | | |
| | 14:00 - 15:30 | David Escudero-Mancebo Universidad de Valladolid Michael Wagner McGill University Jennifer Cole U Illinois | | |
| | 15:30 - 16:00 | Poster previews micro-presentations (II) | | |
| | | Poster Session with coffee | | |
| | 16:00 - 18:00 | V. Anufryk | U Stuttgart | An approach to the prosodic annotation of a bilingual speech corpus |
| | | G. Aurrekoetxea I. Gaminde A. Iglesias L. Gandarias | UPV/EHU | Proposal for the prosodic transcription of the Basque language |
| | | M. Avanzi A. Lacharet N. Obin | U Neuchâtel U Paris Ouest & IRCC IRCAM-CNRS | Transcription of prosody in continuous speech: Prosodic encoding the spoken French corpus Rhapsodie |
| | | N. Bacuez | U Texas-Austin | Graded categories of intonation contours |
| | | A. Brugos S. Shattuck-Hufnagel | Boston U MIT | A proposal for labelling prosodic disfluencies in ToBI |
| | | Y. Congosto Martin M. D. Ramirez Verdugo | U Sevilla UA Madrid | Analyzing the prosody of Californian Spanish: A multi-level prosodic annotation of proesla |
| | | M. D'Imperio R. Bertrand C. Portes L. Prévot | U d'Aix-Marseille & Laboratoire Parole et Langage, CNRS | Transcribing prosodic breaks in French spontaneous speech: the role of discourse genre and discourse content |
| | | D. Escudero F. Vizcaino M. Cabrera E. Estebas-Vilaplana | U Valladolid U Las Palmas Gran Canaria U Las Palmas Gran Canaria U Nacional de Educación a Distancia | Analysis of bias introduced in label assignment by computer assisted prosodic labeling |
| | | S. Frota M. Cruz | U Lisbon | The Interactive Atlas of the Prosody of Portuguese: Two questions on prosodic transcription |
| | | M. Garellek | UCLA | Importance of coding the Utterance domain in prosodic transcriptions |
| | | S. Hellmuth R.A. Almbark | U York | Stimulus design and transcription issues in cross-varietal investigation of spoken Arabic prosody |
| | | I.Y. Kim | U Paris Denis Diderot | Transcribing prosody of Korean spontaneous speech |
| | | K. Mády B. Gyuris | Research Institute for Linguistics, HAS | Low phrase-initial boundary tone in Hungarian exclamatives |
| | | P. Mertens | U Leuven | Transcription of tonal aspects in speech and a |

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| | | | system for automatic tonal annotation |
| | A. Schweitzer | Stuttgart U | Perceptually motivated parameters for automatic prosodic annotation |
| | A. Vella M. Spagnol S. Grech F. Chetcuti S. Agius | U Malta | Transcribing the relationship between degrees of prominence and boundary strength in Maltese |
| | C. Smith P. Edmunds | U New Mexico | Listeners' perceptions of phrasing produced by native and non-native readers in English |
| | 18:00 - 18:30 | General Discussion, Closing remarks | |

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Phonological and phonetic competence: between grammar, signal processing, and neural activity.

Final symposium of the DFG Priority programme 1234.

Satellite workshop of LabPhon 13, Stuttgart, Germany, July 26th, 2012

Organizers: Johannes Knaus ¹, Katrin Schneider ²
¹ Institut für Germanistische Sprachwissenschaft, Philipps-Universität Marburg
² Institut für Maschinelle Sprachverarbeitung, Universität Stuttgart

Since 2006 the Priority Programme 1234 *Phonological and phonetic competence: between grammar, signal processing, and neural activity* sponsored by the German Research Foundation (DFG) brings together high quality research from the areas of phonology, phonetics, neuro- and psycholinguistics. The projects of the Priority Programme seek to advance these disciplines by the joint pursuit of interdisciplinary research questions. As a satellite event of LabPhon 13, the projects will present their recent and ongoing investigations to the scientific community in a one-day workshop. Research topics comprise prosodic phenomena such as stress, intonation, syllabic and vocalic properties. These are investigated from various perspectives, viz. articulation and production, processing, acquisition, perception and neuronal representation. For a detailed overview of the projects involved refer to the tabular overview on the Priority Programme's website (spp1234.de/en/projekte_2_en.html). We are looking forward to discuss new insights and implications that can be drawn from our work and hope that the open scientific exchange will push the disciplines of phonology and phonetics forward.

The presentations are restricted to the members and projects of the Priority Programme 1234, however, all participants of the LabPhon 13 are cordially invited to attend the talks or poster presentations.

Venue

The workshop will be held on Thursday July 26, 2012, the day before LabPhon conference, at the [Institute for Natural Language Processing \(IMS\)](#), which is located on the Stuttgart University main campus in Vaihingen. The venue can be reached by public S-Bahn from the city center and the main conference location (lines S1, S2, S3; S-Bahn stop "Universität", 10 minutes from main station). Trains go every 10 minutes during the day, every 5 minutes during rush hour.

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Schedule LabPhon-SPP-Satellite: Phonological and phonetic competence

| Time | Speaker | Type | Title of talk | Project (PIs) |
|---------------|---------------------------------------|------|--|---|
| 11.00 – 11.30 | Ruben van de Vijver | Talk | On the acquisition of alternations in German nouns | The acquisition of voicing and vowel alternations in German morphophonology (Ruben van de Vijver) |
| 11.30 – 12.00 | Felicitas Kleber, Jonathan Harrington | Talk | Acoustic, articulatory and perceptual analyses of the post-vocalic voicing contrast in two varieties of German | Acoustic, articulatory and perceptual analyses of the post-vocalic voicing contrast (Jonathan Harrington) |
| 12.00 | Frank Zimmerer | Talk | Reductions in | Reductions in running speech |

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| | – 12.30 | | | running speech – their occurrence, how they are perceived and why they are important | (Henning Reetz) |
| | 12.30 – 13.00 | Holger Mitterer | Talk | Adapting to phonological reduction: Tracking how learning from talker-specific episodes helps listeners recognize reduced speech | Adapting to phonological reduction: Tracking how learning from talker-specific episodes helps listeners recognize reduced speech (Holger Mitterer, James McQueen) |
| | 13.00 – 14.00 | Lunch break | | | |
| | 14.00 – 14.30 | Caroline Féry | Talk | Prosody in Hindi and German: a comparison. | Prosody in Parsing (Frank Kügler, Shravan Vasishth, Caroline Féry) |
| | 14.30 – 15.00 | Bettina Braun, Yuki Asano | Talk | Contrastive topics, corrections and the activation of alternatives | A window on intonational form and function (Bettina Braun) |
| | 15.00 – 16.30 | Bernd Möbius, Petra Wagner, Barbara Samlowski | 2 Posters | The syllable as a processing unit in speech production – Evidence from frequency effects on coarticulation | The syllable as a processing unit in speech production: Evidence from frequency effects on coarticulation (Bernd Möbius, Petra Wagner) |
| | | | | Disentangling lexical, morphological, syntactic, and semantic influences on German prominence | |
| | | Phil Hoole, Lasse Bombien | 2 Posters | Laryngeal-oral coordination: the influence of prosody and language | Articulatory cross-language study of initial consonant clusters in varying prosodic Conditions (Phil Hoole) |
| | | Lasse Bombien, Phil Hoole | | (Variability in) production and perception of consonant clusters | |
| | | Johannes Knaus, Jana Mołczanow, Richard Wiese, Ulrike Domahs | 2 Posters | Secondary comes first – EEG studies on German word stress | Word stress: rules and representations (Richard Wiese, Ulrike Domahs) |
| | | | | Lexical word stress in Russian – evidence from event- related potentials | |
| | | Simon Ritter, Martina Krüger, Doris Mücke, Martine Grice | 2 Posters | Production and Perception of Contrast: Tonal Onglides and Oral Gestures | Tonal and Articulatory Marking of Information Structure: Kinematic and Acoustic Correlates of Accentuation (Martine Grice, Doris Mücke) |
| | | Henrik Niemann, Doris Mücke, Martine Grice | | Where is the Early Peak in German? | |
| | | Julia Holzgrefe, Caroline Schröder, Caterina Petrone, Hubert Truckenbrodt, Isabell Wartenburger, Barbara Höhle | Poster | Development of prosodic competence in early first language acquisition: Behavioral and neurophysiological investigations | Development of prosodic competence in early first language acquisition: Behavioral and neurophysiological investigations (Isabell Frohn- Wartenburger, Barbara Höhle, Hubert Truckenbrodt) |

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| | 16.15 – 16.45 | Coffee break | | | |
| | 16.45 – 17.15 | Fabian Tomaschek | Talk | Perception of German vowel quantity – Behavioral and neural correlates | Behavioral and neural correlates of vowel length in German and of its interaction with the tense/lax contrast (Ingo Hertrich, Hubert Truckenbrodt) |
| | 17.15 – 17.45 | Hubert Truckenbrodt | Talk | TBA | Pre-attentive phonotactic processing (Thomas Jacobsen, Hubert Truckenbrodt) |
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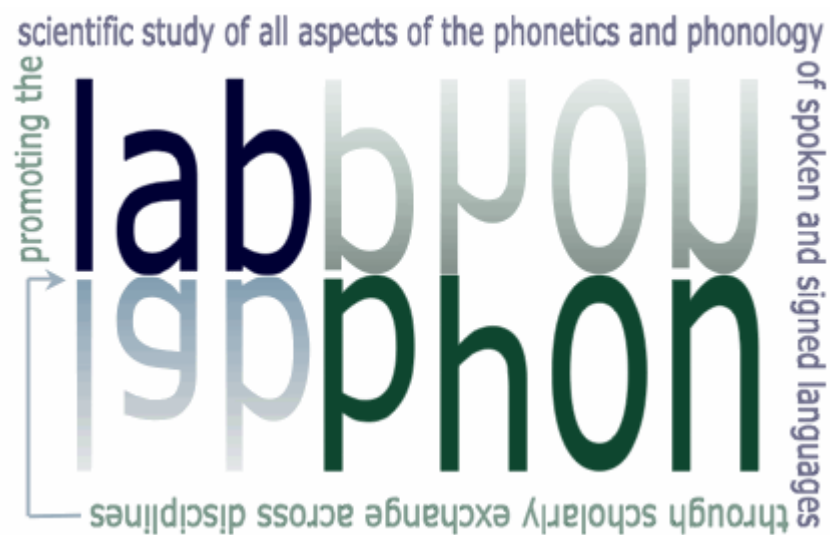


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Announcements

- The organizers of LabPhon16 have informed us that the deadline for submitting abstracts has been extended to November 25.
- The Association is pleased to announce that abstract submission is now open for papers at [LabPhon16](#) which will be held in Lisbon on 20-22 June 2018, with 19 & 23 June reserved for satellite workshops. Also, the LabPhon16 Organizing Committee invites proposals for satellite workshops. See [these guidelines](#) for details about how to submit a paper abstract and/or a workshop proposal.
- The Association is pleased to announce the two winners of the Best Student Paper Award at the second [Phonetics and Phonology in Europe \(PaPE\)](#) conference, which was held in Koeln, 12-14 June 2017:
 - [Jana Neitsch](#) (University of Konstanz): "[Who likes liver? How German speakers use prosody to mark questions as rhetorical](#)"
 - [Cong Zhang](#) (Language and Brain Lab, University of Oxford): "[Tianjin Mandarin Tunes: Production and Perception data](#)"
- The organizers of the ALP-sponsored workshop on [Abstraction, Diversity, and Speech Dynamics invite submissions](#) to a special issue of *Laboratory Phonology* on the same topics as the workshop. **Update on 2017-06-19:** If you downloaded the call earlier, please note the corrected email address in the updated call today.
- The Association is pleased to announce the two winners of the Best Student Paper Award at the 4th International Workshop on Sound Change (WSC4): [Jiseung Kim](#) for her paper on [Prosodic accommodation as a driver of sound change: Accommodation in Seoul Korean Accentual Phrase](#) and [Jonathan Manker](#) for his paper on [Abstractions or exemplars? How contextual information filters the acoustic signal and guides sound change](#).
- The Association journal *Laboratory Phonology* has been accepted into the [Directory of Open Access Journals \(DOAJ\)](#).
- The first two articles in Volume 8 of [Laboratory Phonology](#) were published in January. Volume 7 began with an editorial by Mirjam Ernestus and Martine Grice announcing the new publication arrangements and contained seventeen articles, including six that were gathered into a special collection on [Advancing Prosodic Transcription](#). Volumes 1 through 6 are available on the [De Gruyter Mouton open access website for the journal](#).

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All rates are in US dollars.

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Join the Association for Laboratory Phonology by e-mail. - Download (right click and Save As), fill in and e-mail [this form](#) to the Association Administrator (admin@labphon.org).

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This paper template in L^AT_EX format can be found on the conference website. It is derived from the ICPhS 2007 L^AT_EX template. If there are special questions or wishes regarding paper preparation and submission for LabPhon 13, correspondence should be addressed to info@labphon13.labphon.org.

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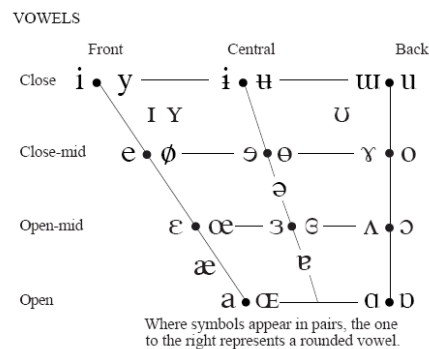
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Figure 1: The vowel chart used in the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA).



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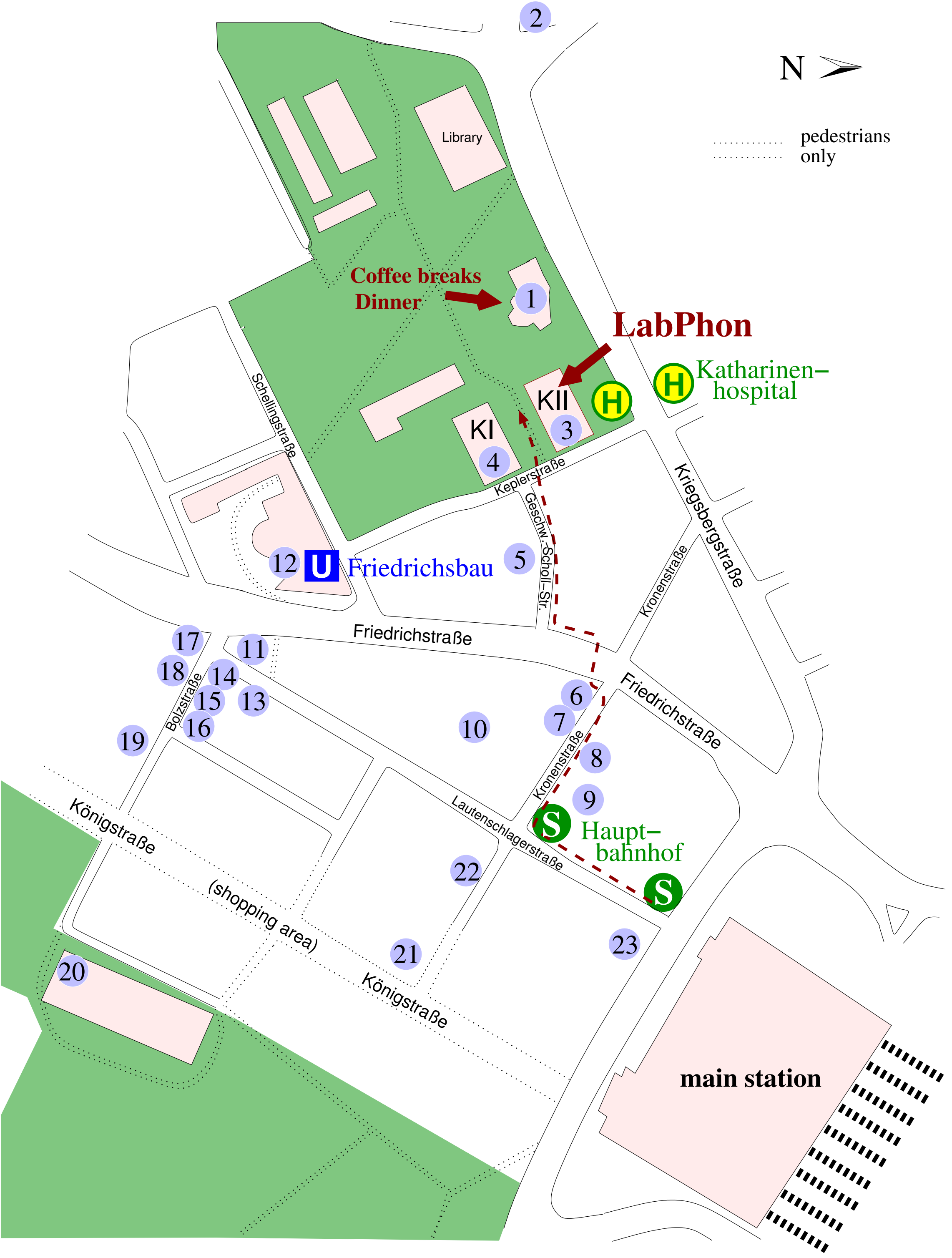
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This poster describes the principal elements of a methodology - and its associated computational system - that generates graded categories of intonation contours from sets of instances belonging to these categories. At the core of the methodology are the principles of fuzzy logic [1] and the concepts of frequency and similarity [2, 3]. The goals of the method are to enable the quantitative analysis of intonation in terms of the gradience and binarity [4, 5] of its constitutive units (tones) and, from this analysis, to automatize tonal labeling of intonation contours.

In a first application, the computational system successfully extracted a prototype (an intonation contour and its graded variations) from a corpus of 714 French closed questions experimentally obtained from 7 native French speakers. The contour of French closed questions is characterized by a low plateau and a final rise: LL-H%. All sentences were controlled to be 7 syllable long.

Firstly, the system converts all instances of the contour in the dataset into a four-level hierarchical and analytical structure. The first level is the level of the acoustic raw data (fig. 1a). The second level results from the normalization of the data into a cartesian plan relatively to the instance's minima and maxima for time and f0 (100 points long in time by 100 points high in f0) (fig.1b). The third level is the level of pretones, a subset of 30 normalized points that are the extremities of tonal movements contained in time frames (fig. 1c). The time frame length has been set to a half-syllable (14 frames per sample). The fourth level is the subset of 3 pretones that are the 3 tones of the intonation contour (L, L- and H%) (fig. 1d). The components of each level exhaust the data from the level immediately under it as its composing features.

Secondly, the principles of fuzzy set theory are employed to organize the data into a graded structure of membership levels (from 1, fully included, to 0.1, almost excluded), according to the frequency of the elements in the dataset and to their level of similarity towards the central values. The data is *fuzzified*. The information from all instances is merged and fuzzified (fig. 3) by level of analysis (normalized, pretonal, tonal) to model a prototypical intonation contour and its range of variation at the pretonal and tonal levels (fig. 4 and 5).

The system can then evaluate the degree of membership of a new sentence as a closed question. The new candidate is given the same 4-level structure and its components are matched to the values stored in the model.

Because it can be adjusted to analyze any parameters or relations of parameters, the model is very flexible and is constantly improving under several versions. The model also allows to study the interaction of the ranking principles (frequency and similarity) as principles of linguistic categorization. I am currently working on a larger corpus of closed questions as well as two modalities of questions (doubt and surprise). I am also developing inferential fuzzy rules: the degree of influence of one tone on the next. The overall goal is to delve into the plasticity of intonation, as apprehended by the AM framework, by constructing an equally flexible exploratory model from which rich analysis are possible.

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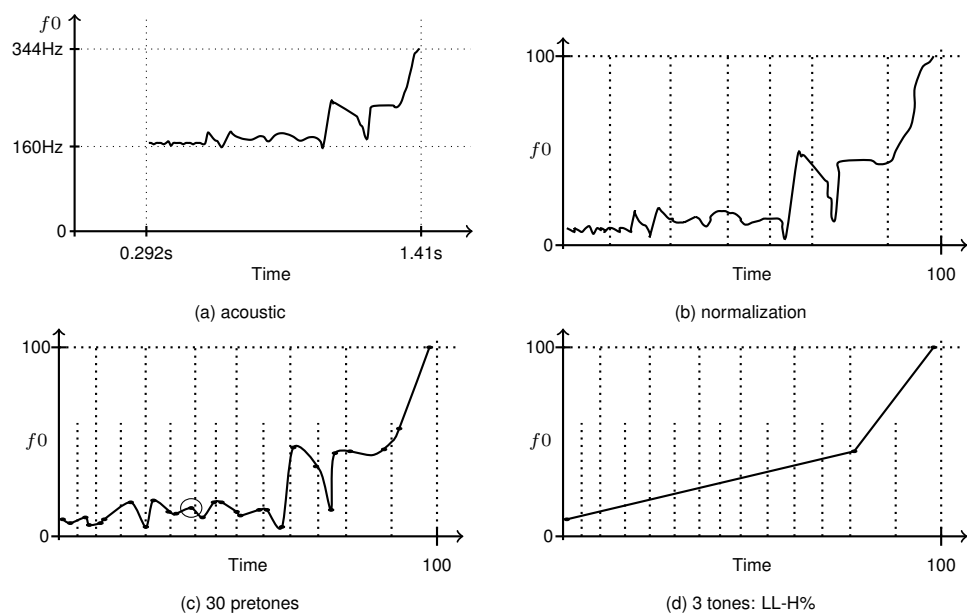


Figure 1: 4-level structure analysis of a sample: *Tu vas garder les tickets ?* (Are you going to keep the tickets?)

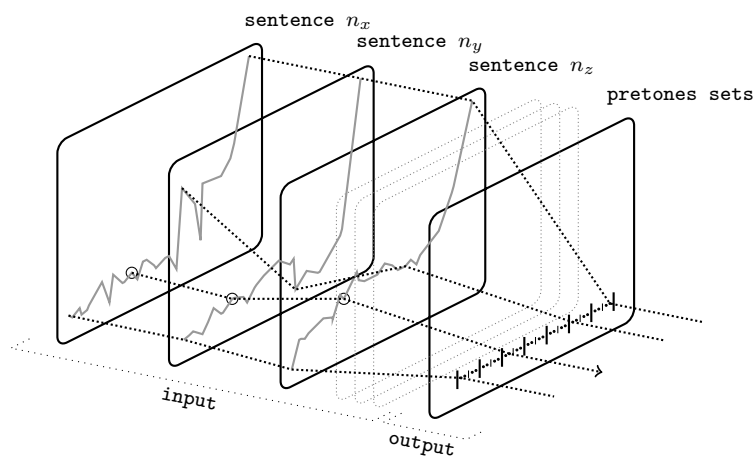


Figure 3: merging instances data through fuzzification

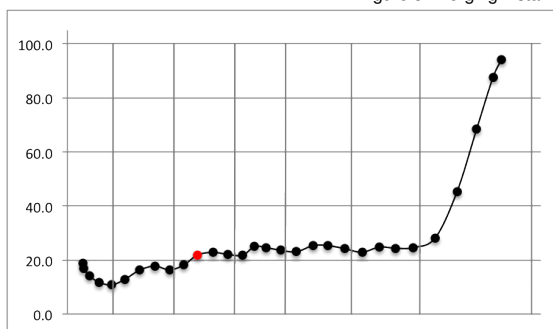


Figure 4: Prototypical pretonal contour

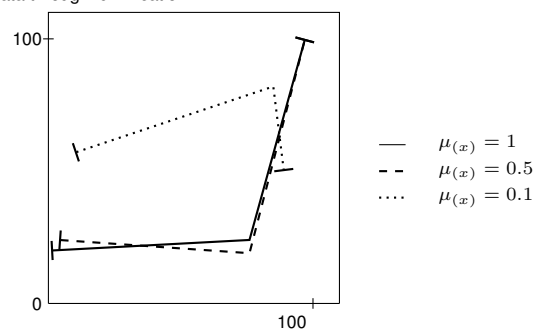


Figure 5: 3 levels of the prototypical tonal contour

Transcribing prosodic breaks in French spontaneous speech: the role of discourse genre and discourse content

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Despite a large quantity of studies on French prosody, a consensus transcription system is still needed. This would spur the development of common prosodic annotation strategies for the purpose of data comparison within the research community as well as facilitating automatic annotation. Semi-automatic transcription systems of tonal structure based on either acoustic modeling (INTSINT, Hirst 2005) or on perception-based algorithms (*Prosogram*, Mertens 2004) have been proposed for French. Strictly phonological, manual, approaches to prosodic transcription in French (Hirst & Di Cristo 1998; Jun & Fougeron 2000; Post 2000) are also available. These approaches have however been largely criticized by the French speech community on the basis of a putative deficiency in capturing, among the other things, inter-speaker variability and discourse complexity in spontaneous speech corpora. The point of view supported here is that discourse complexity (disfluencies, interruptions, etc.) does not preclude the use of phonological units for prosodic labeling (cf., Nesterenko *et al.* 2010, Portes & Bertrand 2011). Moreover, phonological approaches have been judged to be largely not applicable for the purposes of automatic prosodic labeling. Hence, more recently, a theory-independent model has been proposed (Lacheret *et al.* 2010). Note however that lack of explicitly defined criteria for category annotation (either prosodic constituents or tonal events) can be an obstacle to the robustness and agreement among transcribers.

A major need is hence to develop a phonologically-based transcription system that would be flexible enough so as to be employed across discourse genres and be amenable to corpus-based learning and automatic labeling. The first step in such an enterprise is to set up an inventory of phonologically defined prosodic units, which can be used as a basis for defining a limited number of break levels. Note that previous attempts to manually or automatically annotated break levels in French only include 2 levels, the Intonation Phrase (IP) and the Accentual Phrase (AP). Our goal here is hence to present a newly devised set of guidelines for transcribing prosodic units in different French speech styles including an intermediate phrase level (*ip*, D'Imperio & Michelas 2010). We also set out to test the potential for non-expert manual annotation based on our criteria. Specifically, we trained 4 non-expert transcribers and then asked them to transcribe 4 levels of prosodic break (0 = no break; 1 = AP break; 2 = *ip* break; 3 = IP break) in 4 sets of conversational data. Prosodic levels were defined and identified in terms of a ToBI-style annotation (both on a perceptual basis and employing the acoustic representation).

In order to test whether discourse genre had an impact in the annotation performance, we drew 2 datasets from a corpus of spontaneous dialogues (CID, Bertrand 2008) and from a political debate speech corpus (Portes 2004), for a total of 4 speech segments (4 speakers) of 2 minutes each. Note that the datasets were extracted from quasi-monological sections of the corpora, in order to avoid interactional effects (feedback, overlap, etc.). Moreover, the influence of discourse content (lexical, semantic, syntactic and pragmatic content) on the segmentation choices was also tested by delexicalizing the 4 speech samples and by proceeding to their transcription. We specifically ensured that each transcriber only annotated 2 lexicalized and 2 delexicalized samples (so that no transcriber annotated both the delexicalized and non delexicalized version of the same dataset). The details of our annotation guidelines, as well as inter-transcriber agreement scores and kappa statistics performed on the non-expert annotation data, will be discussed in the light of competing proposals to prosodic transcription. Finally, we evaluated the performance of existing automatic tools (Blache *et al.* 2009) in reference to a gold standard obtained through manual annotations.

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Analysis of bias introduced in label assignment by computer assisted prosodic labeling

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Manual prosodic labeling is a costly task from a resource point of view requiring substantial time by the transcriber. Well-trained human labelers are needed to perform an activity whose duration has been estimated to take from 100-200 times real time [1]. Offering the human labeler automatic predictions for them to correct or validate is a useful strategy that allows the transcriber to speed labeling. In the case of large speech corpora several labelers work in parallel on different parts of the corpus in order to be more efficient. If we also want the process to be effective—in a context where there is a high level of uncertainty in the labelers' judgements—we must ensure that they all follow the same labeling criteria. In the present paper we demonstrate that assisting the transcribers with ToBI prosodic labels assigned by an automatic classifier implies not only a reduction in manual transcription time but also an improvement in consistency among transcribers.

We have used an automatic classifier of ToBI prosodic events for which pitch accent classification accuracy of 70.4% has been reported [2]. One of the reasons why it is difficult to overcome this recognition rate is the high level of uncertainty aforementioned concerning the labelers' judgements. A study has been conducted which supports this fact empirically [3] in which different transcribers are asked to say what pairs of labels they find most confusing. Furthermore, some ToBI labeled corpora like [4] include notes of the transcribers stating that a second label could also be used for tagging a given accent. Additionally, in [5] we also identify the most confusing pairs of labels in inter-transcriber consistency tests. In the present work, the classifier presented in [2] has been modified to assist the manual labelers by offering them various alternative pitch accents—or absence of pitch accent—for each word. They are asked to either select the most appropriate label or, in case none of them seems to be adequate, provide one of their own. Our goal is thus for the automatic classifier to reproduce the uncertainty exhibited in the labelers' judgements. The effect of this procedure on global inter-transcriber consistency is then analysed.

The speech corpus used both for training and for testing the automatic classifier is the Boston University Radio News Corpus [4]. We have also used it to contrast the automatic prediction with the judgements of an expert labeler team. The three transcribers who participate in this study have ample experience with the ToBI labeling system. They are requested to perform the tagging task in two different scenarios, with and without automatic prosodic labeling. In the assisted scenario, the manual labeler is confronted with TextGrid files containing five tiers: one with the orthographic transcription, three with different ToBI labels, and one tier which is empty. The transcribers have previously been informed that the labels in the tiers are ranked, the one in the top tier being the most probable according to the automatic classifier. Transcribers have to fill in the bottom tier with a number indicating which of the above

tiers contains the most appropriate label (see figure 1); as stated before, if none of them seems adequate, the transcribers supply their own label. In the unassisted scenario, only two tiers are provided: one with the orthographic transcription and one empty tier to be filled in by the labelers.

Table 2 compares the degree of inter-transcriber consistency in both the assisted and the unassisted scenario with results from other consistency tests found in the state of the art. The global consistency rate among transcribers increases from 0.51 /63.9 % in the unassisted scenario to 0.55 /67.0 % in the assisted one. Table 1 shows that consistency increases in each pair, reaching more than 5 percentage points in the pair T1-T3.

Table 3 displays the use made of the different options by the transcribers. As can be seen, they select primarily the label corresponding to the top tier, namely, the prediction ranked first by the classifier. There are differences among the transcribers: whereas T2 and T3 use the option *Other* more frequently than T1, the latter resorts to the first option more often than T2 and T3, 71% vs. 57% and 67% respectively. As for the option *Doubt*, the transcribers barely use it, which reflects self-confidence in their judgements. Finally, the label *Empty* corresponds to words with more than one stress.

Table 5 contains the inter-transcriber agreement with respect to the original labeling of the Boston Corpus. T1 has the highest agreement rate, which evidences that she is not only well-trained but also more experienced than the other two labelers.

The results presented in Tables 2, 1 and 5 demonstrate that computer assisted prosodic labeling introduces bias into the label assignment process by the human transcriber. Table 5 shows that the presence of automatic labels has an effect on the human experts: T1 reduces her agreement rate with respect to the original labeling. As can be observed in tables 2 and 1, both the inter-transcriber consistency and the global consistency increase because the labelers are likely to be influenced by automatic tagging.

Table 4 illustrates the consistency of the automatic labeling compared to the manual labelers' judgements: the value in column AS (automatic system) represents the first option of the three pitch accents proposed in the assisted scenario. The automatic predictions can have an agreement rate as accurate as that of the manual labelers with regard to the original tagging of the Boston Corpus (row BC). In fact, only T1 has higher rates: 74.8% vs. 71.8% in the unassisted scenario and 70.9% vs. 66.5% in the assisted one. Taking into account that automatic labels can be enriched either with a degree of certainty of the prediction or with other alternative labels, we can conclude that the technique used in the automatic classifier mirrors the behaviour of the human transcriber, whose tagging, far from being utterly reliable, often results in inter-transcriber disagreement.

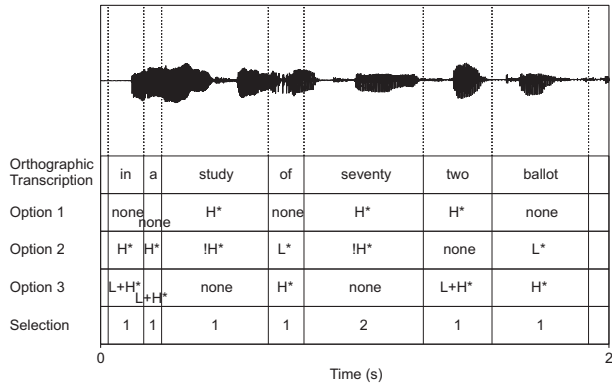


Figure 1: Praat interface in the assisted labeling scenario.

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| | T1-T2 | T1-T3 | T2-T3 |
|-------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Un-assisted | 0.44/60.3% | 0.46/62.6% | 0.59/68.7% |
| Assisted | 0.48/62.9% | 0.54/67.8% | 0.60/70.2% |

Table 1: Inter-labeler agreement expressed as kappa index/ pairwise inter-transcriber agreement. T1, T2 and T3 are the transcribers.

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Multiclass decision

| CORPUS | T | W | S | Pitch Accents |
|----------------------|----|------|---|---------------|
| This work unassisted | 3 | 299 | 1 | 0.51 / 63.9 % |
| This work assisted | 3 | 383 | 1 | 0.55 / 67.0 % |
| Cat-ToBI [5] | 10 | 264 | 4 | 0.462/61.17% |
| Am.ToBI(fe)[6] | 4 | 644 | 2 | 0.69 / 71% |
| Am.ToBI(ma)[6] | 4 | 644 | 2 | 0.67 / 72% |
| E.ToBI[7] | 26 | 489 | 4 | na / 68% |
| E.ToBI[8] | 2 | 1594 | 1 | 0.51 / 86.57% |
| G.ToBI[9] | 13 | 733 | 5 | na / 71% |
| K.ToBI[10] | 21 | 153 | 5 | na / 52.2% |

Table 2: Global inter-transcriber agreement results contrasted with results reported for other studies. The numbers in the column **Pitch Accents** are the κ index and the pairwise inter-transcriber rate (as a percentage). **T** is the number of labellers, **W** is the size of the corpus in words and **S** is the number of speaking styles. (na) means the information is not available. The last rows of the table have been extracted from [5]

| | First | Sec. | Third | Other | Doubt | Empty |
|----|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| T1 | 71% | 20% | 7% | 1% | 0.4% | 0.0% |
| T2 | 57% | 27% | 3% | 10% | 0.4% | 3.6% |
| T3 | 67% | 18% | 4% | 11% | 1.2% | 2.8% |

Table 3: Transcribers’ use of the different pitch accents expressed as a percentage.

Unassisted scenario:

| | BC | T1 | T2 | T3 | AS |
|----|----|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| BC | | 0.62/74.8% | 0.50/63.4% | 0.53/66.3% | 0.56/71.8% |
| T1 | | | 0.44/60.3% | 0.46/62.6% | 0.55/71.8% |
| T2 | | | | 0.59/68.7% | 0.40/57.5% |
| T3 | | | | | 0.44/61.9% |
| AS | | | | | |

Assisted scenario:

| | BC | T1 | T2 | T3 | AS |
|----|----|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| BC | | 0.57/70.9% | 0.50/63.6% | 0.52/66.2% | 0.48/66.5% |
| T1 | | | 0.48/62.9% | 0.54/67.8% | 0.57/72.4% |
| T2 | | | | 0.60/70.2% | 0.41/58.4% |
| T3 | | | | | 0.52/67.8% |
| AS | | | | | |

Table 4: Inter-transcriber agreement expressed as kappa index/ pairwise inter-transcriber agreement. T1, T2 and T3 correspond to the transcribers. BC is the original transcriber of the Boston Corpus. AS is the automatic system classifier.

| | T1-BC | T2-BC | T3-BC |
|-------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Un-assisted | 0.62/74.8% | 0.50/63.4% | 0.53/66.3% |
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Table 5: T1, T2 and T3 represent the transcribers, and BC is the original transcriber of the Boston Corpus. Consistency with the original labeling of the Boston Corpus expressed as kappa index/pairwise inter-transcriber agreement.