

Unaccentedness in Japanese

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Un poème n'est jamais fini, seulement abandonné.
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Abstract: Work on unaccentedness in Japanese finds a concentration of unaccented words in very specific areas defined in prosodic terms. Unaccentedness is perhaps some kind of default for such words, but less clear is the prosodic rationale for the particular distribution of (un)accentedness. This paper investigates the underlying structural reasons and develops a formal OT-account. It involves two well-known constraints: RIGHTMOST and NONFINALITY. The tension between the two, usually resolved by ranking (NONFINALITY >> RIGHTMOST), finds another surprising resolution in unaccentedness: no accent, no conflict. Besides providing a more detailed analysis of Japanese word accent, which takes into consideration other mitigating phonological and morphological factors, a secondary goal of the paper is to gain an understanding of the similarities and differences between pitch accent and stress accent languages.

Key words: unaccentedness, pitch accent, Japanese, optimality theory, lapse, antepenultimacy

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1. Introduction

A familiar, if not uncontroversial, distinction among systems of word prosody is that between lexical stress accent (Arabic, Spanish, Swahili, etc.) and lexical pitch accent (Lithuanian, Northern Bizkaian Basque, Somali, etc.). While the term *pitch* here refers to the plain fact that the primary phonetic manifestation is a specific modulation of fundamental frequency, the notoriously multifaceted correlates of *stress* are a cross-linguistically variable composite of several phonetic factors including intensity, pitch, and length. The two types of lexical accent are not exclusive, as there are systems combining both, such as the continental Scandinavian languages with their tonal (pitch) accents (Accent I and Accent II, see Riad 1996 for an overview)¹ superimposed on a stress-accent system.²

A shared property of stress accent and pitch accent is that at most one main *prominence*, whether realized as a pitch excursion or as *stress*, is permitted per ω -domain.³ Trubetzkoy (1939) referred to this as *gipfelbildend* (in English, *culminative* (Hayes 1995)), and it relates to the issue of prosodic headedness. We illustrate with schematic examples in (1). For ease of comparison, we use the acute mark (*á*, etc.) for both pitch accent and stress accent.

- (1) a. pitch accent: takopí takópi takopi *takópi *takopí *takópi *takópi
 b. stress accent: takopi takópi takopi *takópi *takopí *takópi *takópi

A major difference between pitch accent and stress accent is *obligatoriness* in the sense of Hyman 2006. Many lexical pitch accent systems permit unaccented content words (2a) and thus allow violations of obligatoriness. This is never found with stress (2b), where stressless content words are not encountered (see Hayes 1995 for a discussion of alleged counterexamples). In McCawley's (1977) words, *n* syllables allow *n* stress patterns, but *n+1* accent patterns—with accent on any one of the *n* syllables, plus no accent.

- (2) a. pitch accent: takopí takópi takopi takopi
 b. stress accent: takopi takópi takopi *takopi

For Japanese, accentual minimal pair sets like *háshi* 'chopstick', *hashí* 'bridge', and unaccented *hashi* 'edge' illustrate this point, cf. also sets like *inochi* 'life', *kokóro* 'heart', *atamá* 'head', and unaccented *karada* 'body'.⁴

Not all pitch accent languages allow unaccented words. Besides Japanese, they are permitted, for example, in Irakw, Somali (both Cushitic), and Northern Bizkaian Basque

¹ In Danish, the tonal accents developed into a glottal accent, with *stød* (accented) and without *stød* (unaccented), see Basbøll 2003 and Riad 1998 for discussion and analysis.

² Intonational researchers in the tradition of Bolinger (1958, 1965, 1982) use the term *pitch accent* for an intonational prominence, a wholly different (though of course not entirely unrelated) concept. We will here use the term exclusively for lexical accent, a property of the prosodic word (ω).

³ One prominence means one prominence at the highest level, disregarding any non-primary accents/stresses (if such are permitted at all).

⁴ In transliterating Japanese, we follow in broad outline the romanization of *Kenkyusha's New Japanese-English Online Dictionary*, 5th edition, 2004-2008 (<http://kod.kenkyusha.co.jp/demo/wadai/honmon.jsp?id=0001070>, retrieved 10/25/2014). The transliteration is closest to the Hepburn romanization, whereby /ʃ, tʃ, dʒ~z/ are rendered as (sh, ch, j), respectively. Long vowels are transliterated by doubling the vowel symbol <aa, ii, uu, ee, oo>, or by macrons (ā, ī, ū, ē, ō). The coda nasal is transliterated as ⟨n⟩.

(isolate) (Hyman 2006:238). Unaccented words are excluded in Sanskrit,⁵ Ancient Greek (both Indo-European), and accentual dialects of Korean (isolate), such as North Gyeongsang in South-Eastern Korea. This alone supports Hyman's (2006) assessment that *pitch accent*, different from *tone* and *stress*, does not constitute a coherent linguistic/typological primitive, but rather a range of related choices that grammars (and hence languages) can make from a menu of more fundamental prosodic factors.

Our main goal in this paper is to investigate the question whether the existence of unaccented content words must simply be taken as a fact of nature in certain pitch accent systems, or whether we can isolate specific factors that result in unaccentedness, and capture them in a formal analysis. Section 2 delves into the details of the Tokyo Japanese pitch accent system that have been uncovered by previous researchers, in particular, focusing on the distribution of unaccented and accented words. Such work has found a concentration of unaccented words in very specific areas, defined in prosodic terms. Unaccentedness is obviously some kind of default here; less clear is the prosodic rationale for the particular distribution of (un)accentedness. Section 3 investigates the underlying structural reasons and develops a formal OT-account, involving well-known constraints also seen at work in many stress systems, such as RIGHTMOST ("accent towards the right edge of the word"), NONFINALITY ("no accent on a word-final constituent"), and INITIALFOOT ("the word begins with a foot"). As we will show, unaccentedness in a pitch accent language like Japanese can be a means of resolving the conflict between some of these constraints which arises once any accent is assigned by *avoiding an accent altogether*. In later sections, we follow up on the basic analysis by using OTWorkplace to explore the structure of the constraint system and some of the typological predictions. Section 4 focuses on the core system consisting of only light syllable words, and section 5 develops the full system with both light and heavy syllables. Section 6 explores further subgeneralizations arising in truncation, native items, and variation patterns, and section 7 concludes.

2. Unaccentedness in Japanese: Facts and generalizations

2.1 Preliminaries

Unaccentedness plays a major role in the lexicon of Standard Tokyo Japanese, henceforth referred to as "Japanese" in this paper.⁶ The phonetic characteristics of Japanese pitch contours (Poser 1984b, Beckman 1986, Kubozono 1988, Pierrehumbert and Beckman 1988) include two important features, the initial rise and the accentual fall. Except when the first syllable itself bears the accent, the pitch contour of a prosodic word—more precisely, of a minor phrase⁷ (in Japanese *bunsetsu* 文節, also called "accentual phrase")—begins with a boundary %Low and then proceeds on a phrasal High until it reaches the accented syllable. The accentual complex High*Low, if present, is a steep fall. In the absence of an accent, the pitch stays on the phrasal High. The concatenation of these tones results in an overall pattern %(Low)+High +(High*Low)%.

⁵ I.e., abstracting away from sentence-level phenomena such as the unaccentedness of non-initial finite verbs in main clauses.

⁶ See Uwano 1999 and Kubozono 2012 for the accentual systems of the major Japanese dialects.

⁷ Or simply a minimal phrase, in the model with recursively defined subcategories in Ito and Mester (2007, 2009a, 2009c, 2010, 2013).

(3) Schematic tonal contours:

Accented words:
initial rise + accentual fall

┌───┐
ta be sase ráre ta
└───┘

eat-CAUS-PASS-PAST
'was forced to eat'

Unaccented words
only initial rise

┌───┐
i re sase rare ta
└───┘

insert-CAUS-PASS-PAST
'be forced to put in'

Accentually, words fall into two types, the thematic accent type and the athematic accent type. *Thematic* accent is assigned by rule and falls on the syllable containing the antepenultimate mora (or on the initial syllable in shorter words), according to Martin's (1952:33) well-known three-mora rule.⁸ We will refer to this pattern as "(ante)penultimate accent". Thematic accent is a systematic property of all inflected words—in Japanese, this means verbs (*dōshi* 動詞) and *i*-type adjectives (*keiyōshi* 形容詞). Here the only piece of unpredictable information is accentedness itself, not accent location. Verb roots are underlyingly either accented or unaccented, and the agglutinative structure of Japanese, with multiple suffixes, results in accent mobility. This is shown in forms with stem extensions, where the accent systematically migrates towards the end of the word, showing (ante)penultimacy for accented roots (4). For unaccented roots (5), there is no change. Employing a notation frequently used in Japanese reference works (but counting not from the beginning of the word, which is the usual custom, but from the end in accordance with the direction of Japanese accent assignment), we indicate the location of the accented mora by a superscripted number: ³*tabe-ta* "antepenultimate mora accent", etc. In this notation, a superscripted "0" means unaccentedness: ⁰*ire-ta*, etc. In addition, we often also mark the accented vowel with an acute (³*tábe-ta*, etc.), for clarity.

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| (4) ACCENTED ROOTS [+acc] | /tabe/ 'eat' | /yom/ 'read' | /damar/ 'silence' |
| V-PAST | ³ tábe-ta | ³ yón-da | ³ damát-ta |
| V-CAUS-PAST | ³ tabe-sáse-ta | ³ yom-áse-ta | ³ damar-áse-ta |
| V-CAUS-PASSIVE-PAST | ³ tabe-sase-ráre-ta | ³ yom-ase-ráre-ta | ³ damar-ase-ráre-ta |
| (5) UNACCENTED ROOTS [-acc] | /ire/ 'insert' | /tob/ 'fly' | /hatarak/ 'work' |
| V-PAST | ⁰ ire-ta | ⁰ ton-da | ⁰ hatarai-ta |
| V-CAUS-PAST | ⁰ ire-sase-ta | ⁰ tob-ase-ta | ⁰ hatarak-ase-ta |
| V-CAUS-PASSIVE-PAST | ⁰ ire-sase-rare-ta | ⁰ tob-ase-rare-ta | ⁰ hatarak-ase-rare-ta |

Many uninflected words also have thematic accent. For example, even though the accent location in nouns is in principle a lexical property and unpredictable (see below), large parts of the noun lexicon have thematic (ante)penultimate accent. This holds, for example, for three-mora and four-mora family names and place names, which, with few exceptions, are either unaccented (⁰*Ueda*, ⁰*Itō*; ⁰*Inoue*, ⁰*Ishikawa*, ⁰*Hiroshima*, ⁰*Shibuya*⁹) or have thematic accent (³*Áraki*, ³*Sátō*; ³*Haráguchi*, ³*Ichíkawa*; ³*Nágano*, ³*Nagásaki*).

Athematic accent is the property of the rest of the accented lexicon, i.e., of all accented uninflected items not having thematic accent. This includes nouns, adverbs, and all other words. In athematic items, not only accentedness, but also accent location is unpredictable.

⁸ Like other work in structuralist phonemics (such as Bloch 1950), Martin's original formulation uses "syllable" instead of "mora" to translate the Japanese term *haku* 拍.

⁹ There are few examples of this kind: Unaccented three-mora place names are apparently rare.

Thus in an accented noun, the accent can in principle fall on any syllable, as determined at underlying representation. This is illustrated in (6).

| | | | | |
|-----|-----------------------|----------|-----------------------|--------------|
| (6) | ACCENTED | | UNACCENTED | |
| | ¹ hashí | 'bridge' | ⁰ hashi | 'edge' |
| | ² ko.kó.ro | 'heart' | ⁰ ne.zu.mi | 'rat, mouse' |
| | ³ i.no.chi | 'life' | ⁰ sa.ka.na | 'fish' |

The split between thematic and athematic accent parallels similar bifurcations in other pitch accent languages such as Ancient Greek, where thematic accent (assigned by the recessive accent rule) is essentially limited to finite verbs and some nominal paradigms. Athematic accent in Japanese is in principle (but by no means statistically, as we will see below) unconstrained in terms of its location. In other languages it is often limited to a specific window (such as the last three syllables in Ancient Greek). More abstractly related are subgeneralizations like the fact that in English stress, final syllable extrametricality is a prerogative of nouns and certain classes of suffixed adjectives, and is not found in the rest of the lexicon.¹⁰

2.2 Accent generalizations

Our main concern here is the existence of unaccented words, which is a feature of some pitch accent languages like Japanese but not others, as noted in the Introduction above. Does such unaccentedness have specific structural roots within the grammar of the language, or is it just a contingent property? Within a language that permits unaccentedness, is it simply a lexical accident that certain items are unaccented, or are there reasons why certain types of words tend to be unaccented, but not others? It is sometimes said that unaccentedness is some kind of default in Japanese (Tanaka 2001), and statistically speaking this is not unreasonable (see Kitahara 2001 for detailed statistics about unaccentedness and accent location, on the basis of a large lexical database of Japanese by Amano and Kondo 1999). However, both the conception of unaccentedness as just a lexical accident and the idea that it is simply a default are problematic in the face of the recent discovery that unaccentedness in Japanese shows a high degree of correlation with prosodic shapes. There must be reasons why items of certain prosodic profiles, but not others, are prone to have no accent, a sheer random distribution, and a general preference for unaccentedness, cannot explain this fact.

Our proposal builds on the insights in previous work on unaccentedness, including Giriko 2008, 2011, Kubozono 2006, Kubozono and Ogawa 2004, Oda 2006, Tanaka 1996, 2008, Tanaka 2001, and Tateishi 1992. Starting with the main statistical facts, we can extract from the literature two large-scale generalizations. First, there is a very broad distinction among the vocabulary strata¹¹ between native items (majority unaccented) and loan items (majority accented) (see Hayashi 1982, Shibata 1994, Kubozono 1996, 2006, Ogawa 2004, Shinohara 2000). Second, phonological length (more specifically, mora count) affects the accentedness tendencies of nouns for both native words and loanwords (Akinaga 1998). Typical examples following the phonological length generalization appear in (7).

¹⁰ Smith 1998 suggests that athematic accent, and the resulting accentual dichotomies, is due to a special variety of faithfulness limited to nouns, resulting in a larger variety of accent locations in output forms than otherwise permitted by markedness.

¹¹ See Ito and Mester (1995a, 1995b, 1999, 2009b) for an overview of the major phonological differences between the various vocabulary strata.

| (7) | Native words | | Loanwords | |
|-------------|--------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|
| $\leq 2\mu$ | accented | ² néko 'cat' | accented | ² pári 'Paris' <i>French</i> |
| 3μ | unaccented | ⁰ nezumi 'mouse' | accented | ³ póteto 'potato' <i>English</i> |
| 4μ | unaccented | ⁰ hagetaka 'vulture' | unaccented | ⁰ itaria 'Italia' <i>Italian</i> |
| $\geq 5\mu$ | accented | ³ hototógisu 'cuckoo' | accented | ³ arubáito 'Arbeit' <i>German</i> |

Both generalizations are broad tendencies, not hard-and-fast rules, as attested by several well-known minimal pairs in native words where two forms are segmentally identical and contrast only in the presence vs. absence of accent, such as ²áme 'rain' vs. ⁰ame 'candy', ²ása 'morning' vs. ⁰asa 'hemp', ²sáke 'salmon' vs. ⁰sake 'alcohol', ¹haná 'flower' vs. ⁰hana 'nose', ¹kakí 'fence' vs. ⁰kaki 'persimmon'. But even so, a simple perusal of the pages of an accent dictionary reveals these length generalizations, which can serve as a useful heuristic for second language learners of Japanese, a rule-of-thumb for accent when encountering an unknown word.

These generalizations (and further subgeneralizations established in recent work, in particular, by Kubozono and his co-researchers) present an obvious challenge to the accentologist, and no sweeping generalization is in sight that could account for this kind of structurally controlled distribution of accentedness and unaccentedness. Simply asserting that unaccentedness is the 'default' or somehow correlates with length ('the longer, the more likely to be unaccented') does not even begin to account for the observations. We are also not aware of any articulatory or perceptual explanations that have even been attempted. Why do four-mora words tend to be unaccented, whether loans or native? Why do three-mora loans tend to be accented, but three-mora native words unaccented? On the other hand, why do both shorter (two-mora) and longer (five-mora and longer) words tend to be accented? Given the overwhelming importance of prosodic size and mora count, basic rhythmic and structural features of Japanese must be at work here, ultimately rooted in the foot of Japanese, the bimoraic trochee (Poser 1990). Our task then is to identify these factors, to capture their interaction within an OT analysis that covers the main generalizations and cross-linguistic implications, and to identify the remaining issues.

2.3 Faithfulness and the emergence of the unmarked

We start with the observation that the length generalizations in (7) for native words are far less robust than those for loanwords (see Kitahara 2001 and Kubozono 2006 for statistical results). This is perhaps not surprising, given that unpredictable accent and accent positions must be specified in some way or other, be it by the feature [+accent] (McCawley 1968), *-marking (Haraguchi 1977), a linked High-tone (Poser 1984b), or a linked High*Low-tonal complex (Pierrehumbert and Beckman 1988). In Optimality Theory (OT), such lexically specified markings are protected by faithfulness constraints, such as those in (8) (after Alderete 2001:216).

| | | |
|-----|-----------------|---|
| (8) | MAX(ACCENT): | An accent in the input has a corresponding accent in the output ('no deletion of accent'). |
| | DEP(ACCENT): | An accent in the output has a corresponding accent in the input ('no insertion of accent'). |
| | NOFLOP(ACCENT): | Corresponding prominences have corresponding sponsors and links ('no shift of accent'). |

Thus, underlyingly accented ²/kokóro/ 'heart' cannot delete its accent *⁰[kokoro] (violation of

MAX(ACCENT)), nor move it to another position *³[kókoro] (violation of NOFLOP(ACCENT)). Similarly, forms like ⁰/sakana/ 'fish' underlyingly specified as unaccented cannot insert an accent *³[sákana] (violation of DEP(ACCENT)).

Combining the three constraints in (8) into FAITH(ACCENT) and the constraints responsible for thematic (ante)penultimate accent and unaccentedness, to be worked out in detail below, as ACCENT CONSTRAINTS, athematic accent as in *kokóro* means that this word has an underlying specification for accent that is protected by FAITH(ACCENT), which dominates the accent constraints as in (9).

| (9) ² /kokóro/ | FAITH(ACCENT) | ACCENT CONSTRAINTS |
|---------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| ▶ ² kokóro | | * |
| ³ kókoro | *! NOFLOP(ACCENT) | |
| ¹ kokoró | *! NOFLOP(ACCENT) | * |
| ⁰ kokoro | *! MAX(ACCENT) | * |

Thematic (ante)penultimate accent means that the item has no underlying accent specification (\neq being underlyingly specified as unaccented, such as ⁰/sakana/). ACCENT CONSTRAINTS will therefore determine accentedness and accent location as an Emergence-of-the-Unmarked (EoU) effect (McCarthy and Prince 1994). Lacking lexical markings, such items are literally unmarked in terms of their accentuation.

On the other hand, the accentuation of nonce words is unhampered by faithfulness considerations, and as such their accent assignment is also an EoU effect. Loanwords are similar to nonce words in that they are also composed of a sequence of sounds not associated with meaning in the native language, as are strings of syllables such as ³*kakikúkeko* (k-column of the syllabary), ³*akasátana* (first five sounds of the *a*-row of the syllabary), or ³*namuamidábutsu* 'Hail to Amitābha Buddha' (mantra chanted by Japanese Pure Land Buddhists). All of these have thematic (ante)penultimate accent.

The loanword pattern is also not exceptionless, but further detailed investigations by Kubozono 2006 have revealed that the deviant patterns can be traced to two factors, both involving the source word influence in different ways. (i) Although the majority of loans do not take into account the prominence location of the source word, some newer loans preserve the original prominence location of the source word, as in examples like ⁵*ákusento* 'áccent', ⁵*fondyú* 'fondúe', or ⁷*apóintemento* 'appóintment', not the expected antepenultimate **akusénto*, **fóndyu*, **apointométo*. (ii) If the (ante)penultimate vowel is epenthetic (i.e., not present in the source word, but inserted for phonotactic reasons), the accent instead falls elsewhere (e.g. *andérušen*, **anderúsen* '(Hans Christian) Ándersen' from Danish, vs. *andáason* 'Ánderson' from English).¹²

In OT terms, these factors are also related to faithfulness. The first class of items again has lexically specified accent, as in (9). One might consider reaching beyond the Japanese lexicon and appealing to Output-Output (source-loan) prominence faithfulness, which must be higher-ranked for words like ¹*fondyú* or ⁵*ákusento* than the constraints leading to the regular (ante)penultimate pattern. But it is unclear whether the synchronic grammar is the right place to model such language contact phenomena.

Avoiding accented epenthetic vowels (⁴*andérušen*, not *³*anderúsen*) means that speakers are aware that these vowels are not present in the source word (Northrup 2012), and the faithfulness constraint HEADDEP ("Every segment in a prosodic head in the output has a correspondent in the input") proposed by Alderete 2000 is in force. For such unassimilated

¹² Since the accent always falls on the head (=initial) mora of the syllable, we find *.an.dáa.son* and not **.an.daá.son*.

loanwords, speakers must be cognizant of (and hence faithful to) the segmental and prosodic profile of the original source word, and such vowels are perhaps not part of the underlying representation. Long-established loans like ³*kurisúmasu* 'Christmas' do not exhibit faithfulness to the primary stress of the source word, nor do they avoid accenting an etymologically epenthetic vowel, which is therefore best considered part of the underlying representation.

Appropriate faithfulness constraints thus account for the native lexically-specified accent positions as well as the unassimilated loanwords that are influenced by the structure of the source word. Setting such faithfulness-dependent cases aside, we can start assessing the details of the general loanword pattern again, and consider whether they might be analyzable as EoU effects. A few more examples are listed below to show their full generality.¹³ As before, the acute mark indicates stress on the loan sources, and pitch accent on the Japanese loans.

| | | | | |
|---|------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| (10) 2-3 μ :(ante)penult accent | ² pá.ri | <i>París</i> (Fr.) | ² sá.bo | <i>sabót</i> |
| | ² pí.za | <i>pízza</i> | ² mó.ka | <i>mócha</i> |
| | ³ bá.na.na | <i>banána</i> | ³ pó.te.to | <i>potáto</i> |
| | ³ ká.me.ra | <i>cámera</i> | ³ tée.pu | <i>tápe</i> |
| 4 μ : unaccented | ⁰ a.me.ri.ka | <i>América</i> | ⁰ su.te.re.o | <i>stéreo</i> |
| | ⁰ a.ri.ba.i | <i>álibi</i> | ⁰ tee.bu.ru | <i>táble</i> |
| | ⁰ i.ta.ri.a | <i>Itália</i> (It.) | ⁰ in.to.ro | <i>íntro</i> |
| 5 ⁺ μ : (ante)penult accent | ³ ka.ri.kyú.ra.mu | <i>currículum</i> | ³ te.ro.rí.su.to | <i>térrorist</i> |
| | ³ a.ru.bái.to | <i>Árbeit</i> (Ger.) | ³ garapágosu | <i>Galápagos</i> |
| | ³ asuparágasu | <i>aspáragus</i> | ³ rosanzérusu | <i>Los Ángeles</i> |
| | | | ⁴ aruzénchin | <i>Argéntine</i> |

1 μ loanwords are rare, but the terms for musical notes (*dó, ré, mí*, etc.) are all accented, as well as a handful of accented abbreviations such as *pé* 'p.', an abbreviation for ⁰*peezi* 'page'. The (ante)penultimate accents for 2-, 3- and 5⁺ μ cases fall within the final three-mora window, and can be considered as an "antepenultimate" system in traditional metrical terms: accent on the antepenult, otherwise (i.e., if no antepenult) on the penult, otherwise (i.e., if no penult) on the ultima. Since 'accented' is here equivalent to '(ante)penultimate accent', an even simpler statement as in (11) can be given.

(11) Accent generalization: 4 μ words are unaccented, all others accented.

Additional evidence for this pattern is found in truncations (Poser 1984a, Poser 1990, Ito 1990, Mester 1990, Ito and Mester 1992, etc.), where long loanwords are truncated to 2, 3, or 4 μ (12).

| (12) | Truncation | Base | Gloss |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 2 μ truncations: accented | ² súto | sutoráiki | 'strike' |
| | ² púra | purasuchíkku | 'plastic' |
| 3 μ truncations: accented | ³ dáiya | daiyamóndo | 'diamond' |
| | ³ ánime | animéeshon | 'animation' |
| 4 μ truncations: unaccented | ⁰ rihabiri | rihabiritéeshon | 'rehabilitation' |
| | ⁰ asupara | asuparágasu | 'asparagus' |

¹³ Japanese traditional accent terminology divides these into four categories: *atamadakagata* 頭高型 'initial-high', *nakadakagata* 中高型 'middle-high', *odakagata* 尾高型 'final high', and *heibangata* 平板型 'flat-plateau'.

The variation in truncation size depends on several different factors, including sociolinguistic and euphonic ones.¹⁴ For our purposes here, of interest is not the variation itself, but the fact that whatever the accent position of the input form (usually antepenultimate, given the length of such loanwords that are subject to shortening), the truncated outputs all obey the accent generalization "4μ unaccented, otherwise accented".¹⁵ Oho 2009 makes the interesting observation that loan truncations rigorously follow the accent generalization because neither the source word accent position nor the etymologically epenthetic nature of vowels play a role in an OT Base-Truncatum (output-output) analysis (Benua 1995). The Base to which the Truncated Form corresponds is the full prosodic output form in Japanese, not the loan source. The source word is relevant when deriving the loanword itself, but only the output loanword structure is relevant when deriving its shortening.

Poser 1984b (see also Poser 1990 and Mester 1990) has noted the same pattern in another area of prosodic morphology, namely in Japanese hypocoristic formation. Here long names (e.g., *Wasáburō*, *Shinzaburō*, *Masanosuke*, *Momótarō*) are truncated down to either a single foot (=2μ) or two feet (=4μ). The accentual profile follows the same generalization: (ante)penult accent in 2μ hypocoristics: ²*Wása(-chan)*, ²*Shín(-chan)*, ²*Mása(-chan)*, ²*Mómo(-chan)*, and lack of accent in 4μ forms: ⁰*Shinzabu(-chan)*, ⁰*Masanoke(-chan)*, ⁰*Wasaburo(-chan)*, *Momotaro(-chan)*.¹⁶

Table (13) summarizes the overall pattern, and we can now proceed to investigate the formal prosodic factors behind this bipartite accented/unaccented generalization.

| (13) | Loanwords and nonce words | Loanword truncations | Hypocoristics |
|------|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1μ | accented | accented | |
| 2μ | accented | accented | accented |
| 3μ | accented | accented | |
| 4μ | <i>unaccented</i> | <i>unaccented</i> | <i>unaccented</i> |
| 5+μ | accented | | |

3. Antepenultimacy and unaccentedness: the basic analysis

One of the goals of this paper is to gain a better understanding of the similarities and differences between stress accent and pitch accent systems. Unlike unaccentedness, antepenultimacy is a characteristic found not only in a pitch accent language like Japanese, but also in familiar stress languages such as Latin and English, and in fact in numerous genetically unrelated stress accent systems, such as Damascene Arabic (McCarthy 1980) or Macedonian (Beasley and Crosswhite 2003). Goedemans and Hulst 2013 list many other examples across the world, including Bangarla (Pama-Nyungan), Georgian (Kartvelian), (Modern) Greek (Indoeuropean), Paumari (Arauan), Sahu (West Papuan), as well as the Austronesian languages

¹⁴ Labrune 2002 has argued for an accent cut generalization where truncation occurs immediately before the accent of the original loanword input. While this interesting generalization appears to work for certain cases, such as *suto*||ráiki, *daiya*||móndo, *rihabiri*||téeshon, for others it predicts unattested truncated outputs, such as **purasu*||chíkku (instead ²*púra*), **ani*||méeshon (instead ³*ánime*), **asupa*||rágasu (instead ⁰*asupara*). Thus, while the position of the accent in the base form may play a role in the truncation size, it does not seem to be the sole deciding factor (see also Shinya 2002).

¹⁵ We do not expect to find longer truncated outputs, since there are higher ranking prosodic constraints governing shortenings.

¹⁶ Accented 4μ variants are also possible for some speakers, where the accent position is the one faithful to the full name. That is, the name *Momótarō* has the following possible hypocoristic variants: *Mómo(-chan)* (2μ (ante)penult accent), *Momotaro(-chan)* (4μ unaccented), and *momótarō(-chan)* (4μ faithfully accented).

Kela (Apoze), Mae, Paamese, and Tiruray. Our strategy will be to start out by trying to understand the similarities shared by these systems, whether they involve pitch or stress accent, as arising from a set of identical (or very similar) constraints, and subsequently ask where exactly the two types of systems diverge in terms of constraint ranking.

3.1 Binary footing and antepenultimacy

In standard metrical foot-based theory, as inaugurated by Prince 1976 and further developed in Hayes 1980 and later works, antepenultimacy is analyzed as binary trochaic (left-headed) footing at the right word edge, modulo extrametricality. Typical cases are given below from English, Latin, and Macedonian (see Beasley and Crosswhite 2003, Franks 1989, Hayes 1995, Mester 1994, and Pater 2000). In order to keep a sharp focus on the essential questions, we will here first abstract away from the effects of syllable quantity, and limit our attention to light-syllable-only forms even in languages with quantity distinctions, like Latin or Japanese.

(14) Antepenultimate stress systems

| | <i>English</i> | <i>Latin</i> | | <i>Macedonian</i> | |
|------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| (ss) | (cítý) | (héri) | 'yesterday' | (tátko) | 'father' ¹⁷ |
| (ss)(s) | (cíne)⟨ma⟩ | (fêmi)⟨na⟩ | 'woman' | (tátkov)⟨tsi⟩ | 'fathers' |
| s(ss)(s) | a(cáde)⟨my⟩ | a(gríco)⟨la⟩ | 'farmer' | vo(déni)⟨čar⟩ | 'miller' |
| ss(ss)(s) | metri(cáli)⟨ty⟩ | labe(fáce)⟨re⟩ | 'shake' | vode(níča)⟨ri⟩ | 'millers' |
| sss(ss)(s) | univer(sáli)⟨ty⟩ | epitha(lámi)⟨a⟩ | 'bridal songs' | vodeni(čári)⟨te⟩ | 'the millers' |

In OT terms (Prince and Smolensky 1993), antepenultimacy results from the interaction of the constraints on foot form and on primary stress location (15).

- (15) a. Foot form: FTBIN, TROCHEE, RHYTHMIC HARMONY, WEIGHT-TO-STRESS, etc.
 b. Primary stress location: RIGHTMOST, NONFINALITY

The bimoraic trochaic foot of Japanese, whose importance was first noted by Poser 1984, with much subsequent evidence and argumentation provided by various authors (Poser 1990, Ito 1990, Ito and Mester 1992, Kubozono 2002, among others), has played a prominent role in the Prosodic Morphology literature (McCarthy and Prince 1986). In terms of accent location, various researchers (Poser 1990, Katayama 1998, Kubozono 2006) noted the similarities to antepenultimate stress and used the bimoraic trochee to account for the placement of word accent. Extending Poser's (1990) proposal of Foot Invisibility for certain cases of compound accentuation, the regular antepenultimate accent can be located by making the final foot invisible, and placing the accent in the rightmost position of the visible word, as in *ká⟨nada⟩* 'Canada' and *terorí⟨suto⟩* 'terrorist' (see Katayama 1998 and Kubozono 2006). In such Foot Invisibility accounts, the foot position within the word is crucially different from that of the analysis of antepenultimate stress systems, where the binary foot is placed in non-final position, e.g., as in *(Cána)⟨da⟩*, or *metri(cáli)⟨ty⟩*. In either analysis, the prominence falls on the antepenultimate syllable, [...sS(ss)] vs. [...s(Ss)(s)],¹⁸ even though both the location of the foot itself (final vs. nonfinal in the prosodic word) and the position of the accent with respect to the

¹⁷ Extrametricality is not in force because feet must be minimally binary.

¹⁸ For ease of comparison, both pitch accent prominence and stress accent prominence are here indicated by capital 'S'.

foot (pre-foot vs. on the foot-initial head) are crucially different.

In prototypical stress systems, foot structure, virtually by definition, cannot be divorced from prominence (see Bennett 2012 for recent discussion) in this way. Word prominence, cashed in as primary stress, coincides with the head syllable of the head foot of the prosodic word. On the other hand, in pitch accent systems, various factors (including the existence of unaccented words and the nonexistence of secondary pitch accent analogous to secondary stress) in principle allow for the possibility that the foot itself might not contain the locus of word prominence, or culminativity. Instead of taking this route and already starting out with such a major analytical difference, which is likely to make the two systems incommensurable from the outset without an unassailable grounding in the facts, our strategy is to understand pitch accent, like stress accent, also as word prominence associated to the head of the head foot—with the option of violability, available in an OT grammar for intrinsic reasons. As we show below, pursuing the formal similarities in this way allows us to identify the real differences, ultimately leading to a better understanding of both types of accent systems.

3.1 Initiality and word prominence

Given the same prosodic constraints leading to (ante)penultimate accent, we are of course left with two questions: (i) Why is *a.(mé.ri).ka*, with antepenultimate prominence, good for English but bad for Japanese? (ii) Why is unaccented ⁰*amerika* good for Japanese but bad for English?

| (16) | Latin/English stress accent | Japanese pitch accent | |
|------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| (Ss) | (cítý) | (pári) | |
| (Ss)<s> | (Cána)<da> | (kána)<da> | |
| s(Ss)<s> | A(méri)<ca> | *a(méri)<ka> | → <i>wrong prediction</i> |
| ss(Ss)<s> | metri(cáli)<ty> | tero(rísu)<to> | |
| sss(Ss)<s> | univer(sáli)<ty> | asupa(rága)<su> | |

Somewhat surprisingly, the answer—albeit still a partial one—lies in yet another similarity between the two types of systems, namely INITIALFT (17), the requirement that the prosodic word begin with a foot aligned with its left edge. In English—abstracting away from cyclic effects (Kiparsky 1979)—this is the factor responsible for the initial secondary stress in longer words like (18) (Hayes 1982, Pater, 2000).¹⁹

(17) INITIALFT: Align-Left (PrWd, Foot).
Violated by an unfooted syllable (o) at the left edge of PrWd: *_ω[o

(18) Initial secondary stress in English:

(Phila)(délphi)<a>
(Winne)pe(sáu)<kee>
(Tàta)ma(góu)<chi>

In Japanese, even though there is no phonetic secondary accent, evidence for a left-aligned initial foot is nevertheless abundant in prosodic morphology.²⁰ Ito and Mester 1992 show that loanwords can only be truncated in such a way that a proper initial bimoraic foot appears in the

¹⁹ In Latin the evidence for a word-initial secondary prominence is more subtle, but still beyond reasonable doubt (see Allen 1973:181).

²⁰ There is also evidence for foot structure in Japanese from artificial language learning experiments (Bennett 2012) and from phonetic cues to foot structure involving the duration of affrication (Shaw 2007).

truncated output. The left-aligned foot condition explains why [(*kóm*)*bi*], but not *[*dé(mon)*], is a well-formed (and attested) truncation (19).

| (19) | attested truncation | impossible truncation | source | |
|------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| | (<i>démo</i>) | * <i>dé(mon)</i> | demonsutoréeshon | 'demonstration' |
| | (<i>róke</i>) | * <i>ró(kee)</i> | rokéeshon | 'location' |
| vs. | (<i>kón</i>) <i>bi</i> | | konbinéeshon | 'combination' |
| | (<i>páa</i>) <i>ma</i> | | paamanénto | 'perm' |

In the language game *Zuuja-go* (ZG), words are prosodically split into two parts whose order is reversed, as illustrated in (20) (for details and analysis, see Tateishi 1989, Ito, Kitagawa, Mester 1995, and Sanders 1999; we will return later in section 6.1 to the accentuation of such templatic word formations). The crucial point here is that a left-aligned foot must appear in the output, as indicated.

| | | | | |
|------|------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|---|
| (20) | ⁰ <i>kara oke</i> | 'karaoke' | → _{ZG} | ⁰ (<i>oke</i>) <i>kara</i> |
| | ² <i>koo hii</i> | 'coffee' | → _{ZG} | ⁰ (<i>hii</i>) <i>koo</i> |
| | ⁰ <i>ku suri</i> | 'drug' | → _{ZG} | ⁰ (<i>suri</i>) <i>ku</i> |
| | ⁰ <i>pi yano</i> | 'piano' | → _{ZG} | ⁰ (<i>yano</i>) <i>pi</i> |
| | ⁰ <i>ka ban</i> | 'bag' | → _{ZG} | ⁰ (<i>ban</i>) <i>ka</i> |

When the ZG-reversal does not make an initial foot available, as in (21), either the first syllable is lengthened to make room for a proper bimoraic foot, or some further segmental reversals take place.

| | | | | | | |
|------|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| (21) | ³ <i>kónbi</i> | 'combination' | → _{ZG} | <i>bi.kon</i> | → _{further modification} | ⁰ (<i>bi</i>) <i>kon</i> , ⁰ (<i>bin</i>) <i>ko</i> |
| | ³ <i>pánts</i> | 'pants' | → _{ZG} | <i>tsu.pan</i> | → _{further modification} | ⁰ (<i>tsuu</i>) <i>pan</i> , ⁰ (<i>tsun</i>) <i>pa</i> |
| | ³ <i>kóora</i> | 'Cola' | → _{ZG} | <i>ra.koo</i> | → _{further modification} | (<i>raa</i>) <i>ko</i> |

Both the truncations and the ZG-game illustrate the INITIALFOOT constraint at work in Japanese.

If the antepenultimacy constraints (RIGHTMOST modulo NONFINALITY) and INITIALFOOT leading to the placement of a PrWd-initial trochee are operative in both the Latin/English stress accent system and the Japanese pitch accent system, what distinguishes the two systems? Our central hypothesis is that the root cause is a difference in parsing, as in (22).

| | | |
|---------------------------|---------------|------------|
| (22) | English | Japanese |
| | (Ss) | (Ss) |
| | (Ss)s | (Ss)s |
| <i>Different parsing:</i> | <i>s(Ss)s</i> | (Ss)(Ss) |
| | (Ss)(Ss)s | (Ss)(Ss)s |
| | (Ss)s(Ss)s | (Ss)s(Ss)s |

Capitalization indicates pure prosodic headship, so (Ss) stands for a trochaic foot without commitment as to the phonetic accessories of headship (primary/secondary intensity peak, pitch excursion, lengthening, etc.). 2-syllable words [(Ss)] are too short for antepenultimacy, and default to penult prominence.²¹ Antepenultimacy and INITIALFOOT do not conflict in

²¹ The full analysis of these short forms will turn out to have interesting consequences, as discussed in the next

3-syllable forms, the single initial foot in [(Ss)s] satisfies both INITIALFOOT and antepenultimacy (RIGHTMOST-modulo-NONFINALITY). Nor do they conflict in 5-syllable and longer forms ([(Ss)(Ss)s], [(Ss)s(Ss)s], etc.), where two or more feet can be built, one fulfilling antepenultimacy, the other fulfilling INITIALFT. The conflict only arises in the four-syllable case [s(Ss)s], where in English INITIALFT is violated in order to fulfill antepenultimacy, as in *A(méri)ca*, whereas in Japanese it is more important to place a PrWd-initial foot, and the bipodal [(Ss)(Ss)] arises. This still does not explain why the Japanese two-footed forms are unaccented (⁰[(*ame*)(*rika*)], etc.), but it does give an answer to one part of the puzzle, namely, why they do *not* have antepenultimate accent like the rest of the forms.

Why, then, does a two-footed form [(Ss)(Ss)] lead to unaccentedness, and not to pre-antepenult accent [(*á*me)(*rika*)] or penult accent [(*ame*)(*rí*ka)]? This is where we encounter a fundamental difference between stress accent and pitch accent. As discussed in the introduction, unaccented words are only allowed in pitch accent systems. The *obligatoriness* criterion of Hyman 2006 can be considered to be due to the undominated status, in stress accent systems, of the word prominence constraint, whereby words are required to have a phonetic prominence/accental peak. On the other hand, for pitch accent systems, if the word prominence constraint is low ranking, an unaccented form can emerge as the winner when all possible accent positions are ruled out by higher ranking constraints.

Teasing the puzzle apart in this way has led us to an interesting cross-linguistic comparison, beyond merely noting the antepenultimate similarity coupled with some odd systematic exceptions. It is thus incorrect to literally *identify* the Japanese pitch accent rule with the Latin stress rule (as, for example, in Shinohara 2000:58,63,76, see also Kubozono 2006:1153-1156, 2009:172-173). While they share many important features, there are two significant differences: The word-initial foot requirement is more strict in Japanese, while the requirement to assign a main prominence is more lenient. This becomes clear, of course, only once the constraint system is more fully worked out, covering both accented and unaccented items (and does not treat the latter as an appendix added on to the actual analysis). The next section lays out the formal OT constraint system that accounts for this basic accent system.

3.2 Antepenultimacy, unaccentedness, and minimal word exclusion

Continuing to focus on words composed of light (monomoraic) syllables only, we define the core constraints leading to antepenultimacy discussed in the previous section in (23).

- | | | | |
|------|----|------------|---|
| (23) | a. | WORDACCENT | A prosodic word contains a prominence peak. Violated by prosodic words not having a prominence peak (peak=primary stress or pitch accent, in Japanese: High* [~] Low)). |
| | | b. | RIGHTMOST * FT' ... FT...] _ω Violated by any foot following the head foot within the prosodic word. This is the <i>End Rule (Final)</i> of Prince 1983, in a version modeled on the foot-based restatement in McCarthy 2003:111. |
| | | c. | NONFINALITY(FT') * FT'] _ω Violated by any head foot that is final in its PrWd (Prince and Smolensky 1993(2004):45)—"final" in the sense that the right edge of FT' coincides with the right edge of PrWd. |
| | | d. | INITIALFOOT A prosodic word begins with a foot (Ito and Mester 1992:31, McCarthy and Prince 1993:81). Violated by any prosodic |

section.

word whose left edge is aligned not with the left edge of a foot, but of an unfooted syllable.

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- e. PARSESYLLABLE All syllables are parsed into feet (Prince and Smolensky 1993(2004):62). Violated by unfooted syllables.

In the overwhelming number of stress systems where there is good evidence that one and only one of the stressed syllables of every word is singled out as the main stress, it is virtually definitional that this main stress always coincides with the head of the word in prosodic structure—the head syllable of its head foot. Given that heads are unique and obligatory, a one-to-one relation between prosodic headship and main stress immediately guarantees culminativity (at most one main stress) and obligatoriness. In Japanese, pitch accent is not an obligatory property of words, but it turns out that there continues to be a very close relation between prosodic headship and main prominence—a one-way implication requiring the pitch accent of a word to coincide with its prosodic head. We state this constraint in (24).

- (24) Word Prominence to Word Head (WDPROMTOWDHD): If PrWd contains a main prominence, it coincides with the prosodic head of PrWd—the head syllable of its head foot.

WDPROMTOWDHD is never violated by thematic accent in Japanese, which is under discussion here.²² The location of athematic accent, on the other hand, is lexically fixed and therefore protected by faithfulness constraints outranking (24). In a more general vein, the affinity between word accent and prosodic headship is probably a subcase of the affinity between prosodic heads and high tone and prosodic non-heads and low tone explored in de Lacy 2002. WDPROMTOWDHD is a one-way implication, it does not require the presence of an accent, which is enforced by another constraint (23a), which is, in contrast, low-ranking in Japanese.

The ranking of these constraints in antepenultimacy languages (English, Latin, etc.) is illustrated in (25), where each of the contending candidates violates a higher ranked constraint, and the winner (a) violates only low-ranking INITFT and PARSESYLL.²³

²² This allows us to dispense with an accent-related OCP constraint, violated if there are two or more tonal accents in a prosodic word domain. Since the head of PrWd is always the head of its head foot, fulfilling (24) always means fulfilling a weaker constraint requiring the accent to coincide with a foot head. Pitch accent seeks foot-heads in systems with both pitch accent and stress accent, which are well-studied in the Scandinavian languages (Riad 1996, Gussenhoven 2004, among others). The same situation holds for the intonational pitch accents in languages like English (Pierrehumbert 1980, Selkirk 1984) where pitch accent is tropic to stressed syllables. The possibility of WDPROMTOWDHD violations arises in other pitch accent languages—thus Kiparsky 2003, building on Sauzet 1989 and Golston 1990, identifies Ancient Greek pitch accent as tropic not to footheads, but rather as falling immediately before the head of a word-final trochaic foot, and previous versions of this paper explored the idea that there might also be situations in Japanese where thematic accent does not fall on footheads (i.e., cases not due to lexically idiosyncratic accents). We leave this issue for future exploration, noting that the current analysis works best if WDPROMTOWDHD is unviolated. (We are grateful to Clemens Poppe and Alan Prince for helpful comments that led to crucial clarifications).

²³ As a first approximation and for ease of comparison, we limit the candidate set to outputs that fulfill the criteria of Ito and Mester 1992's weakly layered prosodic structures, i.e., basic foot form (e.g., MT, FTBIN), and maximal parsing, where only prosodically trapped syllables fail to be parsed, roughly equivalent to an Anti-Lapse constraint prohibiting two consecutive unparsed syllables (Elenbaas and Kager 1999, among others). We return to the full range of candidates and more complete set of constraints in the next section.

(25) Antepenultimacy ranking:

| /amerika/ | WDACC | NONFIN(Ft') | RIGHTMOST | INITFt | PARSESYLL |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------------|-----------|--------|-----------|
| ▶ a. ³ [a(méri)ka] | | | | * | ** |
| b. ⁴ [(áme)(rika)] | | | *! | | |
| c. ² [(ame)(ríka)] | | *! | | | |
| d. ⁰ [(ame)(rika)] | *! | | | | |

INITIALFT and WORDACC exchange places in Japanese (26), and the unaccented form emerges as optimal for this input.

(26) Unaccented ranking for /amerika/

| /amerika/ | WDACC | NONFIN(Ft') | RIGHTMOST | INITFt | PARSESYLL |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------------|-----------|--------|-----------|
| ▶ a. ⁰ [(ame)(rika)] | * | | | | |
| b. ⁴ [(áme)(rika)] | | | *! | | |
| c. ² [(ame)(ríka)] | | *! | | | |
| d. ³ [a(méri)ka] | | | | *! | *!* |

RIGHTMOST is violated in (26b) because the head foot containing the word prominence is followed by another foot. The penult-accented (26c) fulfills RIGHTMOST, but violates NONFIN(Ft'), and (26d), with antepenultimate accent, fulfills RIGHTMOST and NONFIN(Ft'), but violates INITIALFT. Rather than receiving an accent in a "wrong" (non-antepenultimate) position, it is better to have no accent at all, and the winning unaccented candidate (26a) violates low-ranking WDACC.

A low-ranking, and hence eminently violable, WDACC does not mean that all words become unaccented. Rather, whenever the dominant constraints, NONFIN(Ft'), RIGHTMOST and INITIALFT, can be fulfilled without violating WDACC, the latter exerts its force, ensuring antepenultimate prominence for 3-, 5-, and 6-syllable cases. This is shown in (27)-(29), where the unaccented (b)-candidates lose because of their violations of WDACC.

(27) /banana/

| /banana/ | WDACC | NONFIN(Ft') | RIGHTMOST | INITFt | PARSESYLL |
|------------------------------|-------|-------------|-----------|--------|-----------|
| ▶ a. ³ [(bána)na] | | | | | * |
| b. ⁰ [(bana)na] | *! | | | | * |
| c. ² [ba(nána)] | | *! | *! | *! | * |

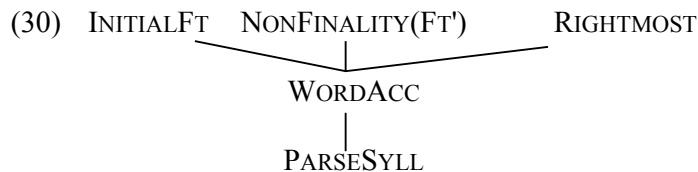
| (28) /baruserona/ | INTFT | NONFIN(Ft') | RIGHTMOST | WDACC | PARSESYLL |
|------------------------------------|-------|-------------|-----------|-------|-----------|
| ▶ a. ³ [(baru)(séro)na] | | | | | * |
| b. ⁰ [(baru)(sero)na] | | | | *! | * |
| c. ⁵ [(báru)(sero)na] | | | *! | | * |
| d. ² [(baru)se(róna)] | | *! | | | * |
| e. ⁴ [ba(rúse)(rona)] | *! | | *! | | * |

| (29) /asuparagasu/ | INTFT | NONFIN(Ft') | RIGHTMOST | WDACC | PARSESYLL |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------------|-----------|-------|-----------|
| ▶ a. ³ [(asu)pa(rága)su] | | | | | ** |
| b. ⁰ [(asu)(para)(gasu)] | | | | *! | |
| c. ⁴ [(asu)(pára)(gasu)] | | | *! | | |
| d. ² [(asu)(para)(gásu)] | | *! | | | |
| e. ³ [a(supa)(rága)su] | *! | | | | ** |

The same point carries over to even longer strings of light syllables, such as the 8-syllable word ³*erekutoroníkusu* 'electronics'.

To sum up so far, the gist of our explanation of the structural causes that lead to unaccentedness is that 4-syllable-words are exhaustively footed into two feet [(Ss)(Ss)]. Given this specific situation and the dominated status of WORDACC, unaccentedness is optimal. Note that exhaustive footing is not the key factor here, since 6 μ items like ³(asu)pa(rága)su 'asparagus', ³(aka)de(mízu)mu 'academism', or ³(ea)ro(bíku)su 'aerobics' are assigned a sparsely footed parse (29a) over the fully footed but unaccented (29b) because WORDACC >> PARSESYLL.

The overall ranking of the constraints in Japanese is given in (30).



What we have found, then, is a principled reason why unaccentedness emerges as optimal in 4-syllables words, while elsewhere accentedness and antepenultimacy are unbeatable. The success of the analysis underlines the crucial role of foot structure even in a pitch accent language like Japanese, far removed from the audible alternating pattern of a densely stressed language like English. Seen in a more general light, our OT analysis is crucially based in Prosodic Hierarchy Theory (see Selkirk 2011 and work cited there), where prosodic units are

organized in a hierarchical structure. For the investigation of word accent, the relevant units are prosodic word, foot, and syllable. Following Selkirk 1996:15, and Ito and Mester 1992, we assume for our purposes here that the HEADEDNESS constraint is universally unviolated, so that all prosodic units are headed at the next level of structure.²⁴ This means that GEN does not even generate candidates that do not fulfill HEADEDNESS. Thus, the accented and minimally footed ³[a(méri)ka] and the unaccented and exhaustively footed ⁰[(ame)(rika)] are competing candidates, but not the unfooted ⁰[amerika]. Crucially, unaccentedness does not equal unfootedness. Unfooted ⁰[amerika] does not come close to explaining unaccentedness: It would be mysterious why unaccentedness, qua footlessness, does not also affect, besides words of 4 syllables, words of 3, 5 and indeed 6+ syllables.

As it stands, however, the analysis has at least one major gap: It predicts too much unaccentedness, and for a very basic class of forms. All monosyllabic and disyllabic items, such as *mémo* 'memorandum', are wrongly predicted to be unaccented, as shown below in (31).

| (31) | /memo/ | INTFT | RIGHTMOST | NONFIN(FT') | WDACC | PARSESYLL |
|---------------------------|------------------------|-------|-----------|-------------|-------|-----------|
| <i>wrong winner</i> ▶ a. | ⁰ [(me.mo)] | | | | * | |
| <i>intended winner</i> b. | ² [(mé.mo)] | | | *! | | |

The crucial competing candidates (31ab) consist of a single foot, which is necessarily final within its prosodic word. NONFINALITY(FT') therefore wrongly declares that this (single) final foot cannot bear accentual prominence, ruling out (31b) and instead selecting the unaccented (31a).

The problem plainly lies with the ranking NONFINALITY(FT') >> WORDACC, which cannot easily be reversed since it is basic to our analysis of unaccentedness in four-syllable words like [⁰(ame)(rika)], repeated below with the crucial candidates and constraints. For ease of comparison, the ranking paradox is depicted in (32) and (33).

| (32) | /amerika/ | NONFIN(FT') | WDACC |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------|-------|
| ▶ <i>correct</i> unaccented winner a. | ⁰ [(ame)(rika)] | | * |
| b. | ² [(ame)(rika)] | *! | |

| (33) | /memo/ | | |
|---|------------------------|----|---|
| ▶ <i>incorrect</i> unaccented winner a. | ⁰ [(me.mo)] | | * |
| (actual accented winner) b. | ² [(mé.mo)] | *! | |

²⁴ In pitch accent systems, the prosodic requirement of headedness is not equivalent to the WORDACCENT requirement, whereas in stress accent systems, where they do not diverge, they can be considered equivalent (Hyman 2006's *obligatoriness*).

How might one approach this ranking paradox? For some reason, bimoraic forms (single foot words) do not seem to be subject to NONFINALITY(FT'), as far as pitch accent is concerned. One possibility is to revise the NONFINALITY(FT') constraint so that they are not subject to this constraint because they are too short. This move would follow the lines of the whole form exemption clause of traditional Extrametricality Theory: "[...] extrametricality rules are blocked if their application would mark the entire stress domain as [+ ex]" (Hayes 1982:235), or "[...] extrametricality may never render an entire phonological string invisible" (Halle and Vergnaud 1987:50). For example, NONFINALITY(FT') might be defined so that it is violated only when there is another landing site for the accent (34).

- (34) NONFINALITY(FT') (reformulated; to be rejected) *X FT']_ω
 Violated if non-null material X precedes a right-aligned head foot in the prosodic word.

Given such a reformulation, the accented final foot is exempt from the constraint in bimoraic forms (35) since X is zero, but constitutes a violation in longer forms (36), where X is not zero.

| (35) | | | NONFIN(FT') (version (34)) | WDACC |
|----------------------|------------------------|--|----------------------------------|-------|
| | /memo/ | | | |
| a. | ⁰ [(me.mo)] | | | *! |
| ▶ accented winner b. | ² [(mé.mo)] | | | |

| (36) | /amerika/ | | | |
|------------------------|----------------------------|----|--|---|
| ▶ unaccented winner a. | ⁰ [(ame)(rika)] | | | * |
| b. | ² [(ame)(ríka)] | *! | | |

Are we witnessing, then, the ultimate triumph of Extrametricality over the NonFinality conception argued for by Prince and Smolensky 1993(2004):44-58? There are reasons to be doubtful. Although a reformulation like (34) is not inconceivable, it is unsatisfactory in terms of OT. The whole form exemption clause of Extrametricality Theory was always a serious liability (Prince and Smolensky 1993(2004)) since it stipulates something that can be explained, in a principled way, as arising from the interaction of independent and elementary constraints: WORDACC (often equated with HEADEDNESS) requires a head foot (with primary stress), even if this means having a foot in final position. WORDACC thus trumps NONFIN(FT'), which we find violated in short forms.

But for pitch accent systems like Japanese, which allow violations of WORDACC in output forms (i.e., of Hyman's obligatoriness criterion), we need the opposite ranking NONFIN(FT') >> WORDACC, as in (32), so this simple constraint interaction scenario is not available. A return to an extrametricality-type analysis is formally possible, as shown in (35)-(36), but perhaps we can do better. What we see in action here, we contend, is rather a more specific version of WORDACC (37) applying to a specific prosodic profile: Words that are prosodically minimal, coextensive with a single rhythmic unit (in Japanese, a bimoraic foot). In the words of McCarthy and Prince 1990:231, "[t]he prosodic hierarchy, as a principle of representational well-formedness, guarantees that words are made of feet, feet of syllables, syllables of moras. The minimal expansion of the category word [...] therefore consists of a

single foot."

- (37) MINWORDACC A minimal prosodic word contains a prominence peak.
 Violated when ω_{\min} does not contain a prominence
 (peak=primary stress or pitch accent, in Japanese:
 High*Low)

With MINWORDACC, but not general WORDACC, dominating NONFIN(FT'), the correct accented bimoraic form emerges as the winner (38b). Given the very nature of the constraint, there are no ill effects on non-minimal words (39).

(38)

| | | MINWORDACC | NONFIN(FT') | WORDACC |
|-------------------|-------------------------|------------|-------------|---------|
| /memo/ | | | | |
| | a. ⁰ (me.mo) | *! | | * |
| ▶ accented winner | b. ² (mé.mo) | | * | |

(39)

| | | MINWORDACC | NONFIN(FT') | WORDACC |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------|-------------|---------|
| /amerika/ | | | | |
| ▶ unaccented winner | a. ⁰ (ame)(rika) | | | * |
| | b. ² (ame)(rika) | | *! | |

Although MINWORDACC does the intended analytical work, what might be the exact status of such a constraint, and the motivation for it? The requirement that minimal words need an accent even when this means violating NONFIN(FT') will hopefully turn out to be the effect of some kind of interaction of more elementary constraints with WORDACC, but this requires a separate investigation and theoretical development. We will here continue to work with MINWDACC as a descriptive stand-in. Minimal words have a special status crosslinguistically known as *minimal word effects* (McCarthy and Prince 1990 et sqq.). Besides setting a lower limit on content word size in many languages, they serve as templates in a host of prosodically defined word formation processes, for example, as patterns for morphological reduplication and truncation.²⁵ One-foot prosodic words are a major milestone in language acquisition (*banána* > *nána*, *giráffe* > *ráffe*, *élephant* > *éfa*, etc., see Demuth 1996), where they set an upper limit on word size that is respected for a significant amount of time before longer items are mastered. For Japanese, among 2 μ -words those with initial accent are statistically dominant and constitute between 50% (for most familiar items) and 70% (for least familiar items) of all 2 μ -words, see Kitahara 2001 and the appendix below. Furthermore, a consistent finding in acquisition studies is that learners acquire the pitch pattern of initially accented LL-words like

²⁵ The cross-linguistic evidence for the special role of such minimal prosodic words is considerable and includes, for example, a process of vowel lengthening in Serbian/Croatian restricted to monosyllabic bases that can be argued, following Zec 1999, to be driven by the desire to create a minimal or 'perfect' prosodic word (see also Bennett and Henderson 2013 for another example). An interesting alternative has been suggested to us by Alan Prince and Natalie DelBusso, viz., to replace MINWDACC by FOOTHEADACC, requiring footheads to have accent. While we find such an alternative attractive in principle, it requires modifications and rerankings of a number of constraints in our present analysis, and we leave it for future research to pursue the ramifications.

²*néko* 'cat' significantly earlier than that of unaccented LL-words like ⁰*buta* 'pig' (Hallé, de Boysson-Bardies and Vihman 1991, Ota 2003). The idea behind (37) is that the minimal word phase is not just a transitory period in language acquisition, but remains active in adult phonology as a constraint interaction effect.

Returning to our main topic, we have so far endeavored to build the analysis of the pitch accent system of Japanese on the same (mostly well-established) constraints that have been motivated for stress accent systems, in order to gain a more precise understanding of the similarities and differences between the two kind of prosodic organization. Through differential rankings of these constraints, we have succeeded in giving a formal explanation for the similarity in antepenultimacy as well as for the emergence of unaccentedness in the pitch accent system.

4. The core system: light syllables only

In order to focus on the essential features of the accentual system and to abstract away from the disruptions of the pattern that arise when heavy syllables are part of the string to be prosodified, we first continue to limit our attention to the subsystem consisting of all-light-syllable words (40). Here weight-sensitive constraints are not at play, and the quantity-insensitive core of the analysis is clearly visible in isolation.

(40) Summary of prosodic profiles of all-light-syllable words

| accented | | | unaccented | accented | | |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1L | 2L | 3L | 4L | 5L | 6L | 7L |
| ¹ (L) | ² (L)L | ³ (L)L | ⁰ (LL)(LL) | ³ (LL)(L)L | ³ (LL)L(L)L | ³ (LL)(LL)(L)L |
| (dó) | (pári) | (bána)na | (riha)(biri) | (kuri)(súma)su | (meto)ro(póri)su | (ana)(kuro)(nízu)mu |
| (ré) | (páte) | (góri)ra | (ame)(rika) | (asu)(fáru)to | (eko)no(mísu)to | (namu)(ami)(dábu)tu |
| (mí) | (démo) | (sháto)ru | (kari)(suma) | (pia)(nísu)to | (asu)pa(rága)su | (abu)(suto)(ráku)to |

4.1 The constraints

Besides the prosodic factors leading to antepenultimacy and unaccentedness discussed so far, several other constraints, some of them mentioned in passing, lie at the heart of the accentual system of Japanese. The familiar foot structure constraints, FOOTBINARITY and MORAICTROCHEE, are given in (41).

| | | | |
|------|----------------------------|---|---|
| (41) | Foot structure constraints | | |
| | FOOTBINARITY (FTBIN) | Feet are minimally binary at some level of analysis (mora, syllable). | Violated by unary feet. |
| | MORAICTROCHEE (MT) | Feet are (H), (LL), and (L). | Violated by iambs: (LL), (LH), (HL), (HH), and trochees of more than 2μ: (LH), (HL), (HH) |

In general, binarity constraints come in two varieties, a minimal and maximal version (Mester 1994), and FTBIN here is the minimal version of foot binarity (Prince and Smolensky 1993(2004):50) penalizing unary feet. In a mora-counting system like Japanese, the relevant level of analysis is the mora, which is coextensive with the syllable in the core system. A

separate undominated maximal version of FTBIN rules out ternary and larger feet. Since the maximal version plays no role in the analysis, we simply refer to the minimal version as FTBIN. FTBIN is ranked above NONFIN(FT').

(42) /memo/

| | FTBIN | MINWDACC | NONFIN(FT') | WDACC | PARSESYLL |
|-----------------------------|-------|----------|-------------|-------|-----------|
| ▶ a. ² [(mé.mo)] | | | * | | |
| b. ² [(mé)mo] | *! | | | | * |
| c. ⁰ [(memo)] | | *! | | * | |

We have so far only considered FTBIN-fulfilling winning candidates, but FTBIN-violations are in fact encountered, e.g., by the monosyllabic (monomoraic) names for musical notes: ¹[(dó)], ¹[(ré)], ¹[(mí)], etc. The relevant candidates and constraints are shown in (43). The unfooted form ⁰[do] has not violations of FTBIN, but does not fulfill HEADEDNESS and is therefore not among the competing candidates (see above).

(43) /do/

| | FTBIN | MINWDACC | NONFIN(FT') | WDACC | PARSESYLL |
|--------------------------|-------|----------|-------------|-------|-----------|
| ▶ a. ¹ [(dó)] | * | | * | | |
| b. ⁰ [(do)] | * | *! | * | * | |

With heavy syllables entering the analysis in the next section, we will see more trapped light syllables that require footing in violation of FTBIN.

The high-ranking foot form constraint MORAICTROCHEE ensures antepenultimate (and not penultimate) accent.

(44) /banana/

| | MORAICTROCHEE | ... | PARSESYLL |
|------------------------------|---------------|-----|-----------|
| ▶ a. ³ [(bána)na] | | ... | * |
| b. ² [(baná)na] | *! | ... | * |

For all-light-syllable inputs like (44), a simple constraint TROCHEE requiring head-initiality would be sufficient, but the full analysis requires a mora-based version. MORAICTROCHEE (MT) is a cover constraint used here to keep the overall number of constraints small (in particular, in the interest of an efficient calculation of the factorial typology of the analysis within OTWorkplace). It expresses what would otherwise be the concerted action of TROCHEE together with other rhythmic constraints (such as *HL), in a more principled setting. MT is unviolated in our analysis of Tokyo (Standard) Japanese, but Poppe 2014 has convincingly

argued that the accentual system of a Shizuoka dialect spoken in Hamamatsu differs from that of Tokyo Japanese in that both trochaic and iambic feet play a significant role, with many output forms manifesting iambic parsing.

It is now time to collect all the ingredients of our analysis as developed so far. The main constraints regulating foot parsing and pitch accent distribution have already been introduced earlier at various points except for a specific parsing constraint—i.e., beyond the general PARSESYLL (23e)—that we have been tacitly assuming. The constraint in question militates against sparse footings leaving more than one successive syllable in a string unparsed and is formulated as NOLAPSE in (45).

- (45) NOLAPSE Syllables are maximally parsed into feet. Violated by two consecutive unparsed syllables.

(45) is a parsing constraint targeting pairs of unfooted syllables, closest in spirit perhaps to the PARSE-2 constraint of Kager 1996. It should not be confused with another constraint targeting stress lapses (see Alber 2005, for example), which groups together all unstressed syllables, whether parsed or unparsed, and would have little motivation in a language without word stress. With this addition, the core of the constraint system as developed so far is assembled in (46).

| (46) Accent constraints | | | Parsing constraints | |
|-------------------------|------------------|-------|---------------------|---------------------|
| a. | WORDACCENT | (23a) | e. | PARSESYLLABLE (23e) |
| b. | MINWORDACCENT | (37) | f. | INITIALFOOT (23d) |
| c. | RIGHTMOST | (23b) | g. | NOLAPSE (45) |
| d. | NONFINALITY(FT') | (23c) | | |

While INITFT (46f) ensures parsing of word-initial syllables—[(*memo*)], [(*bana*)*na*], [(*ame*)*rika*], [(*baru*)*serona*], [(*asu*)*paragasu*], etc.—low-ranking PARSESYLL (46e) does not play much of a role for the parsing of the rest of the word. Rather, it is NOLAPSE (46g) that is decisive for grouping them into feet, and crucial for the explanation of the unaccentedness of items like ⁰[(*afu*)(*ri.ka*)] 'Africa': Since WDACC (46a) >> PARSESYLL (46e), the latter cannot account for the illformedness of ⁴[(*áfu*)*rika*], which would fulfill both WDACC and RIGHTMOST (46c), at the cost of leaving the last two syllables unfooted. But NOLAPSE >> WDACC, and this rules out this candidate and selects ⁰[(*afu*)(*rika*)] instead.

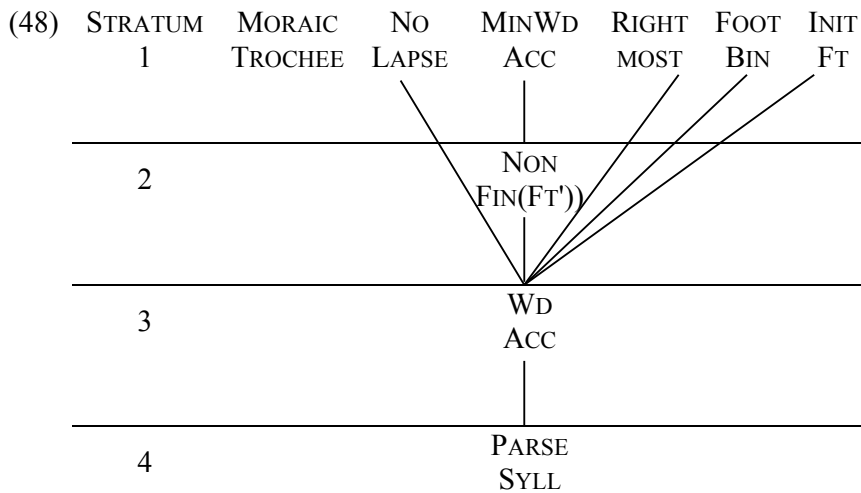
(47) /afurika/

| | MT | NOLAPSE | RIGHTMOST | NONFIN(FT') | INITIALFT | WDACC | PARSESYLL |
|------|---|---------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------|-----------|
| ▶ a. | ⁰ [(<i>afu</i>)(<i>rika</i>)] | | | | | * | |
| b. | ³ [<i>a</i> (<i>fúri</i>) <i>ka</i>] | | | | *! | | ** |
| c. | ² [(<i>afu</i>)(<i>rika</i>)] | | | *! | | | |
| d. | ⁴ [(<i>áfu</i>)(<i>rika</i>)] | | *! | | | | |
| e. | ⁴ [(<i>áfu</i>) <i>rika</i>] | *! | | | | | ** |
| f. | ³ [(<i>afú</i>)(<i>rika</i>)] | *! | | | | | |

4.2 The core system in OTWorkplace

We have implemented our analysis, both the core system and the full version to be presented later, in OTWorkplace,²⁶ a computational tool eminently suitable to illustrate its essential features and to probe its implications. Its authors characterize OTWorkplace as "a software suite that uses Excel as a platform for interactive research with the analytical tools of modern rigorous OT. Its goals are "to provide[...] within Excel an environment for OT research, to calculate the basic objects and structures of the theory, and to present them in a form suitable for sorting, filtering, revision, inventive re-combination, and interactive manipulations of all kinds".

Here we use OTWorkplace to explore the basic structure of the constraint system governing the lexical pitch accent system of Japanese, and some of the typological predictions that come with adopting a particular constraint system. The ranking of the constraints in (46), as motivated so far, is given in (48).



For presentational purposes, we can think of this system as linearly organized into four strata, as indicated. In (49), we reproduce an OTWorkplace violation tableau for the schematic monosyllabic input "1L" (= "L" = "one light syllable"). Numbers in cells indicate number of violations for the candidate. In order to increase readability, we have replaced some of the notations specific to OTWorkplace with more familiar notations, and have added an example column with an actual Japanese word. It is important, however, to keep in mind that the parse selected holds for all 1L-inputs, not just for the example chosen. Since we make the simplifying assumption that Headedness is part of Gen, the footless forms [L] and [L'] do not qualify as candidates.

²⁶ OTWorkplace_X_68a, version of June 3, 2014; authors: Alan Prince, Bruce Tesar, and Nazarre Merchant. The program is open-source and distributed without charge, downloadable from <https://sites.google.com/site/otworkplace/>. We are very much indebted to Alan Prince for introducing us to OTWorkplace, sharing with us his own implementation of an earlier version of this paper and related class notes, and for much stimulating discussion. The current version of this paper would not have been possible without his help.

| (49) | input | output | example | opt | 1:MT | 2:NOLAPSE | 3:MINWDACC | 4:RIGHTMOST | 5:FTBIN | 6:INTFT | 7:NONFIN(FT ⁿ) | 8:WDACC | 9:PSYLL |
|------|-------|--------------------|---------|------|------|-----------|------------|-------------|---------|---------|----------------------------|---------|---------|
| 1.1 | 1L | ¹ [(L)] | [(dó)] | WINS | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| 1.2 | | ⁰ [(L)] | [(do)] | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | 1 | |

Violations are numerically marked in OTWorkplace. Reverting to classical OT format, "1" can be replaced by "*", "2" by "**", etc.

For 2L=LL, the tableau selecting the winning parse [(LL)] appears in (50).

| (50) | input | output | example | opt | 1:MT | 2:NOLAPSE | 3:MINWDACC | 4:RIGHTMOST | 5:FTBIN | 6:INTFT | 7:NONFIN(FT ⁿ) | 8:WDACC | 9:PSYLL |
|------|-------|-----------------------|------------|------|------|-----------|------------|-------------|---------|---------|----------------------------|---------|---------|
| 2.1 | 2L | ² [(LL)] | [(mémo)] | WINS | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| 2.2 | | ² [(L)L] | [(mé)mo] | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| 2.3 | | ² [(L)(L)] | [(mé)(mo)] | | | | | 1 | 2 | | | | |
| 2.4 | | ⁰ [(LL)] | [(memo)] | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 | |
| 2.5 | | ¹ [L(L)] | [me(mó)] | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| 2.6 | | ¹ [(L)(L)] | [(me)(mó)] | | | | | | 2 | | 1 | | |
| 2.7 | | ⁰ [(L)L] | [(me)mo] | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 |
| 2.8 | | ⁰ [L(L)] | [me(mo)] | | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 |
| 2.9 | | ⁰ [(L)(L)] | [(me)(mo)] | | | | 1 | | 2 | | | 1 | |
| 2.10 | | ¹ (LL) | [(memó)] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | |
| 2.11 | | ⁰ (LL) | [(memo)] | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | 1 | |

OTWorkplace shows that there are 7 (shaded) candidates that are harmonically bounded. The accented binary trochee 2.1 harmonically bounds the unary footed 2.5 and 2.6, as well as the iambic candidate 2.10. Similarly the unaccented binary trochaic candidate 2.4 harmonically bounds unary footed 2.7, 2.8, and 2.9, as well as iambic 2.11. As strings increase in length, the number of harmonically bounded candidates increases—thus for 6L, there are 1311 overall output candidates, 1303 of which are harmonically bounded, leaving only 8 potential optima.

Another important observation about the candidate set can be made in (51), the tableau selecting the optimal parse for 3L.

| (51) | input | | output | example | opt | 1:MT | 2:NOLAPSE | 3:MINWDACC | 4:RIGHTMOST | 5:FTBIN | 6:INTFT | 7:NONFIN(FT ³) | 8:WDACC | 9:PSYLL |
|------|-------|--------------|-----------|--------------|------|------|-----------|------------|-------------|---------|---------|----------------------------|---------|---------|
| 3.1 | 3L | ³ | [(LL)L] | [(bána)na] | WINS | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| 3.2 | | ⁰ | [(L)(LL)] | [(ba)(nana)] | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| 3.3 | | ⁰ | [(LL)(L)] | [(bana)(na)] | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| 3.4 | | ² | [(L)(LL)] | [(ba)(nána)] | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| 3.5 | | ¹ | [(LL)(L)] | [(bana)(ná)] | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| 3.6 | | ³ | [(L)(LL)] | [(bá)(nana)] | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| 3.7 | | ³ | [(LL)(L)] | [(bána)(na)] | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | |

Some losing candidates have identical violation profiles, such as 3.2/3.3, 3.4/3.5, 3.6/3.7. More constraints are necessary to differentiate these and can easily be added: For example, ALIGN(FT, R, PRWD, R) inserted at the bottom of the hierarchy would decide in favor of the second candidate in each pair. We henceforth omit harmonically bounded candidates and duplicate candidates with identical violation profiles.

The tableau selecting the optimal—unaccented—parse for 4L appears in (52).

| (52) | input | | output | example | opt | 1:MT | 2:NOLAPSE | 3:MINWDACC | 4:RIGHTMOST | 5:FTBIN | 6:INTFT | 7:NONFIN(FT ³) | 8:WDACC | 9:PSYLL |
|------|-------|--------------|------------|--------------|------|------|-----------|------------|-------------|---------|---------|----------------------------|---------|---------|
| 4.1 | 4L | ⁰ | [(LL)(LL)] | [(ita)(ria)] | WINS | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| 4.2 | | ² | [(LL)(LL)] | [(ita)(ría)] | | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| 4.3 | | ³ | [L(LL)L] | [i(tári)a] | | | | | | | 1 | | | 2 |
| 4.4 | | ² | [(LL)(L)L] | [(ita)(rí)a] | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| 4.5 | | ⁴ | [(LL)(LL)] | [(íta)(ria)] | | | | | 1 | | | | | |
| 4.6 | | ⁴ | [(LL)LL] | [(íta)ria] | | | 1 | | | | | | | 2 |

In contrast, (53) shows that for 5-7L inputs accented outputs are selected, as exemplified by *(kuri)(súma)su*, *(meto)ro(póri)su*, and *(ana)(kuro)(nízu)mu*.

| (53) | input | | output | example | opt | 1:MT | 2:NOLAPSE | 3:MINWDACC | 4:RIGHTMOST | 5:FTBIN | 6:INTFT | 7:NONFIN(FT ³) | 8:WDACC | 9:PSYLL |
|------|-------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------|------|-----------|------------|-------------|---------|---------|----------------------------|---------|---------|
| 5.1 | 5L | ³ | (LL)(LL)L | (kuri)(súma)su | WINS | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| 5.2 | | ⁰ | (LL)(LL)(L) | (kuri)(suma)su | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | |
| 5.3 | | ² | (L)(LL)(LL) | (ku)(risu)(másu) | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | |
| 5.4 | | ³ | (LL)(LL)(L) | (kuri)(súma)(su) | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | |

| (53) | input | output | example | opt | 1:MT | 2:NO LAPSE | 3:MINWDACC | 4:RIGHTMOST | 5:FTBIN | 6:INTFT | 7:NONFIN(FT') | 8:WDACC | 9:PSYLL |
|------|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|------|------|------------|------------|-------------|---------|---------|---------------|---------|---------|
| 6.1 | 6L ³ | (LL)L(LL)L | (meto)ro(póri)su | WINS | | | | | | | | | 2 |
| 6.2 | | ⁰ (LL)(LL)(LL) | (meto)(ropo)(risu) | | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| 6.3 | | ² (LL)(LL)(LL) | (meto)(ropo)(risu) | | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| 6.4 | | ² (LL)(LL)(L)L | (meto)(rop)(rí)su | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| 6.5 | | ⁴ (LL)(LL)(LL) | (meto)(rópo)(risu) | | | | | 1 | | | | | |
| 7.1 | 7L ³ | (LL)(LL)(LL)L | (ana)(kuro)(nízu)mu | WINS | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| 7.2 | | ⁰ (LL)(LL)(LL)(L) | (ana)(kuro)(nizu)(mu) | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| 7.3 | | ² (LL)(L)(LL)(LL) | (ana)(ku)(roni)(zúmu) | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | |
| 7.4 | | ⁴ (LL)(L)(LL)(LL) | (ana)(ku)(róni)(zumu) | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | |

The essence of OT's ranking logic is that in each winner-loser pair for a specific input, each constraint favoring the loser must be dominated by a constraint favoring the winner (see Brasoveanu and Prince 2011): Being a winner in OT means beating every competitor on the highest-ranking constraint that distinguishes the two. This is most clearly brought out by means of the comparative tableau format (Prince 2000). For our analysis, OTWorkplace provides a summary of the essential winner-loser competitions that support the ranking relations in (48) that we partially reproduce in (54): In each row representing one such competition, "W" in a constraint column means that the constraint in question favors the winner, "L" that it favors the loser, and no mark that it favors neither. Thus the first row tells us that the fact that unaccented but fully footed (LL)(LL) beats accented (LL)LL, with a final string of two unparsed syllables, justifies the ranking NO LAPSE >> WDACC: NO LAPSE's "W" needs to dominate WDACC's "L". PSYLL's "W" cannot do the crucial domination (shown by shading) because it is independently known, from the 6L candidate, that WDACC has to dominate PSYLL.

| (54) | Input | Winner | Loser | 1:MT | 2:NO LAPSE | 3:MINWDACC | 4:RIGHTMOST | 5:FTBIN | 6:INTFT | 7:NONFIN(FT') | 8:WDACC | 9:PSYLL |
|------|-------|-------------------------|---------------------------|------|------------|------------|-------------|---------|---------|---------------|---------|---------|
| | 4L | ⁰ (LL)(LL) | ⁴ (LL)LL | | W | | | | | | L | W |
| | 1L | ¹ (L) | ⁰ (L) | | | W | | | | L | W | |
| | 4L | ⁰ (LL)(LL) | ⁴ (LL)(LL) | | | | W | | | | L | |
| | 2L | ² (LL) | ² (L)L | | | | | W | | L | | W |
| | 4L | ⁰ (LL)(LL) | ³ L(LL)L | | | | | | W | | L | W |
| | 4L | ⁰ (LL)(LL) | ² (LL)(LL) | | | | | | | W | L | |
| | 6L | ³ (LL)L(LL)L | ⁰ (LL)(LL)(LL) | | | | | | | | W | L |

5. The full system: light and heavy syllables

Moving our analysis beyond all-light-syllable words, we start with a complete list of the syllable profiles of 1-7 μ words, including all possible combinations of light (L) and heavy (H) syllables.

(55) Schematic prosodic profiles

| | 1 μ | 2 μ | 3 μ | 4 μ | 5 μ | 6 μ | 7 μ |
|---------------|---------|---------|---------|---------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| all L | L | LL | LLL | LLLL | LLLLL | LLLLLL | LLLLLLL |
| with 1H | | H | HL, LH | HLL, LHL, LLH | HLLL, HLL, LLHL, LLLH | HLLLL, LHLLL, LLHLL, LLLHL, LLLLH | HLLLLL, LHLLLL, LLHLLL, LLLHLL, LLLLHL, LLLLLH |
| with 2H | | | | HH | HHL, HLH, LHH | HHLL, HLHL, HLLH, LHHL, LHLH, LLHH | HHLLL, HLHLL, HLLHL, HLLLH, LHLLL, LHLHL, LHLHL, LLHHL, LLHLH, LLLHH |
| with 3H | | | | | | HHH | HHHL, HHLH, HLHH, LHHH |
| # of profiles | 1 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 8 | 13 | 21 |

Besides the general restriction that the accentual tonal complex has to appear on the head (=initial) mora of the syllable, forms with heavy syllables are subject to a number of weight-related constraints (defined below in section 5.1). Their interaction with the previously established constraint system explains how pitch accent is placed in words with the various prosodic profiles in (55). Along the way, we will also establish some of the other constraint rankings that were left undetermined by all-L words. The interaction among the constraints turns out to explain a significant portion of the uneven and skewed way unaccentedness is distributed among forms of different prosodic shapes, including some distinctions between quantitative profiles astonishing in their subtlety.

5.1 Weight-related constraints

With quantity sensitivity entering the system, a single heavy syllable also qualifies as a moraic trochee (**H**), besides the light syllable trochee (**LL**). The definition of the rhythmic constraint MORAICTROCHEE is given in (56) (repeated from (41)), together with two other weight-related constraints, the general WEIGHT-TO-STRESS-PRINCIPLE (WSP) and NONFINALITY(SYLLABLE), a constraint against word-final footheads.

(56) Weight (QS) constraints

| | | |
|----------------------------------|---|--|
| MORAICTROCHEE (MT) | Feet are (H), (LL), and (L). | Violated by iambs: (LL), (LH), (HL), (HH), and trochees of more than 2 μ : (LH), (HL), (HH) |
| WEIGHT-TO-STRESS-PRINCIPLE (WSP) | Heavy syllables are footheads. | Violated when a heavy syllable is not a foothead: *.H., *(HX), *(XH) |
| NONFINALITY (SYLLABLE) | Word-final syllables are not footheads. | Violated when a word-final syllable is a foothead: *(H)]PrWd, *(L)]PrWd, etc. |

The version of the WEIGHT-TO-STRESS-PRINCIPLE given here is suited for pitch accent systems, we keep the "stress" designation for reasons of familiarity. NONFINALITY(SYLLABLE) is familiar from many stress systems that avoid stress on word-final syllables, but allow them to be footed, resulting in phenomena like iambic reversal (see Prince and Smolensky 1993(2004):58 for examples and references; see also Kager 1999:165-166 for the distinction between foot- and syllable-targeting NONFINALITY; versions of both play a role in the Japanese system, as first recognized by Kubozono 1995:30.

The overall constraint system is given in (57), with the newly introduced and revised constraints in italics.

| | | | | | | |
|------|---------|-------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| (57) | STRATUM | MORAIC TROCHEE | <i>NONFIN</i> <i>(SYLL)</i> | <i>No</i> <i>LAPSE</i> | MINWD ACC | RIGHTMOST |
| | 1 | | | | | |
| | 2 | | <i>WSP</i> | <i>FT</i> <i>BIN</i> | | |
| | 3 | | | INIT FT | NONFIN (FT') | |
| | 4 | | | | WD ACC | |
| | 5 | | | | PARSE SYLL | |

Some of these ranking relations, such as $NOLAPSE \gg FTBIN$ and $FTBIN \gg INITFT$, will be established in the next section. $MORAICTROCHEE (\gg WSP, FTBIN)$ is unviolated and will not be considered in the tableaux below, where the ten constraints are organized linearly in five strata.

5.2 Unaccentedness and 4 μ profiles

One of the major accentual generalizations about forms with all light syllables was that unaccentedness reigns supreme in 4 μ words (=4L words). Once we broaden our scope to the full quantity-sensitive system, one might have expected that all 4 μ words, whatever their syllabic make-up, would continue to obey this unaccentedness generalization. One of the more subtle predictions of our analysis, however, is that this should not be the case. Among the five possible prosodic profiles of 4 μ words in (58), unaccentedness is predicted to be preferred by only two (LLLL and HLL), and not by the other three (LLH, HH, and LHL).

(58) Predicted accent patterns of 4μ words

| | | |
|----|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| a. | ⁰ [(LL)(LL)] | <i>unaccented</i> |
| b. | ⁰ [(H)(LL)] | |
| | | |
| c. | ⁴ [(<u>L</u> L)H] | |
| d. | ⁴ [(H)(<u>L</u> L)] | <i>accented</i> |
| e. | ³ [L(<u>H</u>)L] | |

The dividing line is the quantity of the last two syllables: LL-final words with initial LL (58a) or initial H (58b) are fully footed into two bimoraic feet. This and only this is the prototypical profile leading to unaccentedness, as discussed in detail in section 4 above. Whenever the last two syllables are not LL—whether H-final words with initial LL (58c) or initial H (58cd), or trapped-L-final words (58e), the final syllable is left unparsed due to NONFIN(SYLL), and the optimal candidate has an accent on the foot preceding it, fulfilling all of NONFIN(FT'), RIGHTMOST, and WDACC. Conversely, leaving the final syllable unparsed in this way is nonoptimal for LL-final words because this inevitably leads to two unfooted syllables, violating NOLAPSE: *⁴(H)LL and *⁴(L)LL.

This result contains an important insight: The crucial property causing unaccentedness is *not* the overall mora count, but rather the word-final syllable profile ...LL]wd. Our full analysis summarized in (57) correctly predicts these differing accentual patterns for 4μ words, as shown in (59) and (60). First, we give tableaux illustrating the unaccentedness configuration ...LL]wd.

(59) Unaccentedness configuration ...LL]wd: LLLL, HLL

| INPUT | OUTPUT | OPT | 1:MT | 2:NONFIN(SYLL) | 3:NOLAPSE | 4:MINWDACC | 5:RIGHTMOST | 6:WSP | 7:FTBIN | 8:INITFT | 9:NONFIN(FT') | 10:WDACC | 11:PSYLL | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|------|----------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------|---------|----------|---------------|----------|----------|---|
| LLLL /itaria/ 'Italy' | a. ⁰ [(LL)(LL)] | WINS | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| | b. ² [(LL)(<u>L</u> L)] | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | |
| | c. ³ [L(<u>L</u>)L] | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | 2 | |
| | d. ³ [(L)(<u>L</u>)L] | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| | e. ⁴ [(<u>L</u> L)(LL)] | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| | f. ⁴ [(L)(<u>L</u>)LL] | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | 2 |
| HLL /kaasoru/ 'cursor' | g. ⁰ [(H)(LL)] | WINS | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| | h. ² [(H)(<u>L</u> L)] | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | |
| | i. ² [(H)(L) <u>L</u>] | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| | j. ⁴ [(H)(L) <u>L</u>] | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| | k. ⁴ [(H)LL] | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | 2 |
| | l. ⁴ [(H) <u>L</u> L] | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | 1 |

Besides the familiar fact that WDACC is dominated by NONFIN(FT') (a vs. b, h vs. g), INITFT (c vs. a), and RIGHTMOST (e vs. a, j vs. g), we see that it also ranks below FTBIN (d vs. a, i vs. g), NOLAPSE (f vs. a, k vs. g), and MT (l vs. g).

Next we consider H-final words in (60). Here the dominance of NONFIN(SYLL) over the WSP (b vs. a, k vs. j) forestalls a Ft+Ft parsing pattern, and results in accentedness: ⁴(dóra)gon, ⁴(shán)puu, not *⁰(dora)(gon) or *⁰(shan)(puu).

(60) Accentedness configuration ...H]_{wd}: LLH, HH

| INPUT | OUTPUT | OPT | 1:MT | 2:NONFIN(SYLL) | 3:NOLAPSE | 4:MINWDACC | 5:RIGHTMOST | 6:WSP | 7:FTBIN | 8:INITFT | 9:NONFIN(FT') | 10:WDACC | 11:PSYLL |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|------|----------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------|---------|----------|---------------|----------|----------|
| LLH /doragon/ 'dragon' /suriraa/ 'thriller' | a. ⁴ [(L)LH] | WINS | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| | b. ⁰ [(L)(H)] | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| | c. ² [(L)(H)] | | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| | d. ⁴ [(L)(H)] | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| | e. ⁰ [L(LH)] | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 |
| | f. ² [L(LH)] | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| | g. ⁰ [(L)(LH)] | | | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| | h. ² [(L)(LH)] | | | 1 | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| | i. ⁴ [(L)(LH)] | | | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| HH /shanpuu/ 'shampoo' /benjin/ 'Benzin' G. | j. ⁴ [(H)H] | WINS | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| | k. ⁰ [(H)(H)] | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| | l. ² [(H)(H)] | | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| | m. ⁴ [(H)(H)] | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| | n. ⁰ [(HH)] | | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| o. ⁴ [(HH)] | | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | |

Finally, 4_μ items of the form LHL are also correctly predicted to be preferentially accented, as shown in (61). Provided the parse here is indeed (61a) [L(H)L] and not the accentually identical (61b) [(L)(H)L], with a word-initial subminimal foot (L), this calls for the ranking FTBIN>>INITFT.

(61) Profile: LHL

| INPUT | OUTPUT | OPT | 1:MT | 2:NONFIN(SYLL) | 3:NO LAPSE | 4:MINWDACC | 5:RIGHTMOST | 6:WSP | 7:FTBIN | 8:INTFT | 9:NONFIN(FT') | 10:WDACC | 11:PSYLL |
|------------|-----------------------------|-------------|------|----------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------|---------|---------|---------------|----------|----------|
| LHL | a. ³ [L(H)L] | WINS | | | | | | | | 1 | | | 2 |
| /kechappu/ | b. ³ [(L)(H)L] | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| 'ketchup' | c. ⁰ [(L)(H)(L)] | | | 1 | | | | | 2 | | | 1 | |
| /oriibu/ | d. ¹ [(L)(H)(L)] | | | 1 | | | | | 2 | | 1 | | |
| 'olive' | e. ³ [(L)(H)(L)] | | | 1 | | | 1 | | 2 | | | | |
| | f. ³ [(LH)L] | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| | g. ⁰ [(L)(HL)] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| | h. ³ [(L)(HL)] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| | i. ⁴ [(L)(HL)] | | 1 | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | |

Four-mora items are thus by no means across-the-board unaccented, this holds only for those ending in LL (59), where NO LAPSE forces the footing of these two syllables into a foot. The whole form then has the rhythmic shape Ft+Ft, which results in unaccentedness as an equilibrium effect, satisfying both RIGHTMOST and NONFINALITY(FT'). H-final (LL)H and (H)H are accented because their final loose H does not violate NO LAPSE, and WORDACC favors this parse. On the other hand, L(H)L has just a single light syllable at the end which can follow an accented foot (H) without constituting a lapse.

Words of all these shapes thus constitute principled exceptions to the broad 'four-mora unaccentedness' generalization, which in hindsight appears as a rather crude mora-counting approximation to the actual data and the genuine generalization, which is rooted in the more abstract higher prosodic structure that crucially incorporates rhythmic feet. The fact that this follows directly from our analysis can be taken as significant support for the overall approach taken here, relying on rhythmic principles and their interaction within a formal grammar of the language based on priority rankings.

5.2.1 The full system

As we just concluded, generalizations in terms of mora count (or for that matter, syllable count) are neither revealing nor factually accurate. The schematic profiles organized in terms of mora count in (55) above can be more insightfully organized with footing as in (62) below, where ... can be null.

(62) Schematic prosodic profiles

| | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| a. final/penult | b. antepenult | c. preantepenult | d. unaccented |
| ¹ [(L)] | ³ [...(L̇L)L] | ⁴ [...(L̇L)H] | ⁰ [(LL)(LL)] |
| ² [(L̇L)] | ³ [...(H)L] | ⁴ [...(H)H] | ⁰ [...(H) (LL)] |
| ² [(H)] | ³ [...(L)H] | | |

We take up each of these profiles in the sections below, pointing out their particular properties.

5.2.2 Final/penult accent: Minimal words

Minimal words ((62a) above), composed of a single foot, are subject to MINWDACC (see section 3.3), which forces violations of NONFIN(FT'), as shown in (63). The monosyllabic candidates also violate NONFIN(SYLL) because our simplifying incorporation of headedness into Gen entails that no candidate parsed as a prosodic word can lack foot structure altogether. In particular, if the candidate consists of a single syllable, this syllable must be footed.

(63) 1-foot profiles

| INPUT | OUTPUT | OPT | 1:MT | 2:NONFIN(SYLL) | 3:NOLAPSE | 4:MINWDACC | 5:RIGHTMOST | 6:WSP | 7:FTBIN | 8:INTFT | 9:NONFIN(FT') | 10:WDACC | 11:PSYLL |
|---------|------------------------|------|------|----------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------|---------|---------|---------------|----------|----------|
| L /do/ | a. ¹ [(L)] | WINS | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| 'do' | b. ⁰ [(L)] | | 1 | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| H /pan/ | c. ² [(H)] | WINS | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| 'bread' | d. ⁰ [(H)] | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | |
| LL | e. ² [(LL)] | WINS | | | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| /memo/ | f. ² [(L)L] | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| 'memo' | g. ⁰ [(LL)] | | | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | |

5.2.3 Antepenultimacy profiles

There are three antepenultimacy profiles: Two of them are straightforward cases of rightmost footing modulo NONFINALITY(FT'), namely, [...(L̇L)L] and [...(H)L]. The third is the trapped syllable case with monomoraic footing, i.e., [...(L)H].

| | | | | | | |
|---------|--------------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------|
| (64) a. | [...(L̇L)L] | b. | [...(Ḣ)L] | c. | [...(L̇)H] | |
| | (bána)na | 'banana' | (búu)ke | 'bouquet' | (pú)rin | 'pudding' |
| | (kon)(sépu)to | 'concept' | (kon)(kóo)su | 'concourse' | (ran)(dé)buu | 'rendezvous' |
| | (jaa)na(rízu)mu | 'journalism' | (aru)(bái)to | 'part-time job' | pu(ran)(kú)ton | 'plankton' |
| | (bai)(ori)(nísu)to | 'violinist' | (in)su(tán)to | 'instant' | (in)(taa)(fé)ron | 'interferon' |

Their analysis is illustrated in tableaux (65)-(67) with different preaccentual material (the first example with null preaccentual material).²⁷

(65) [...(L̄L)L] (64a)

| INPUT | OUTPUT | OPT | 1:MT | 2:NONFIN(SYLL) | 3:NO LAPSE | 4:MINWDACC | 5:RIGHTMOST | 6:WSP | 7:FTBIN | 8:INTFT | 9:NONFIN(FT ³) | 10:WDACC | 11:PSYLL |
|---------------|---------------------------------|-------------|------|----------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------|---------|---------|----------------------------|----------|----------|
| LLL | a. ³ [(L̄L)L] | WINS | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| /banana/ | b. ⁰ [(L)(L̄L)] | | | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| | c. ² [(L)(L̄L)] | | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| | d. ³ [(L)(L̄L)] | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | |
| HLLL | e. ³ [(H)L(L̄L)L] | WINS | | | | | | | | | | | 2 |
| /jaanarizumu/ | f. ⁰ [(H)(L̄L)(L̄L)] | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| 'journalism' | g. ² [(H)(L̄L)(L̄L)] | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| | h. ² [(H)(L̄L)(L)L] | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| | i. ³ [(H)(L)(L̄L)L] | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| | j. ⁴ [(H)(L̄L)(L̄L)] | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | |

The fact that (65e) with antepenultimate accent wins over unaccented (65f) shows that exhaustive parsing has low priority and is subordinated to the requirement to have an accent.

(66) [...(H)L] (64b)

| INPUT | OUTPUT | OPT | 1:MT | 2:NONFIN(SYLL) | 3:NO LAPSE | 4:MINWDACC | 5:RIGHTMOST | 6:WSP | 7:FTBIN | 8:INTFT | 9:NONFIN(FT ³) | 10:WDACC | 11:PSYLL |
|-------------|-----------------------------|-------------|------|----------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------|---------|---------|----------------------------|----------|----------|
| HL | a. ³ [(H)L] | WINS | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| /buuke/ | b. ⁰ [(H)(L)] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| 'bouquet' | c. ¹ [(H)(L)] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| | d. ³ [(H)(L)] | | 1 | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | |
| HHL | e. ³ [(H)(H)L] | WINS | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| /konkoosu/ | f. ⁰ [(H)(H)(L)] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| 'concourse' | g. ¹ [(H)(H)(L)] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| | h. ³ [(H)(H)(L)] | | 1 | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | |

A surprising winning profile makes its appearance for [...(L)H], as shown in (67). Here ... is either null or a string ending in H, so that L cannot join what precedes in a moraic trochee. This

²⁷ We henceforth omit profiles violating MT, i.e., candidates containing feet that are not moraic trochees, such as (HL), (LH), (HH), (HH), since this constraint is never violated in winning candidates.

trapped L forms a monomoraic foot and receives the accent, as the last but non-final foot in the word, and the following H remains unfooted (due to NONFIN(SYLL)).

(67) [...(L)H] (64c)

| INPUT | OUTPUT | OPT | 1:MT | 2:NONFIN(SYLL) | 3:NO LAPSE | 4:MINWDACC | 5:RIGHTMOST | 6:WSP | 7:FTBIN | 8:INTFT | 9:NONFIN(FT') | 10:WDACC | 11:PSYLL |
|------------|-----------------------------|-------------|------|----------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------|---------|---------|---------------|----------|----------|
| LH | k. ³ [(L)H] | WINS | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 |
| /purin/ | l. ⁰ [L(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 |
| | m. ² [L(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| | n. ⁰ [(L)(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| | o. ² [(L)(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| | p. ³ [(L)(H)] | | 1 | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | |
| HLH | q. ³ [(H)(L)H] | WINS | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 |
| /randebuu/ | r. ⁵ [(H)LH] | | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | | 2 |
| | s. ⁰ [(H)L(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| | t. ² [(H)L(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| | u. ⁰ [(H)(L)(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| | v. ² [(H)(L)(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| | w. ⁵ [(H)L(H)] | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| | x. ³ [(H)(L)(H)] | | 1 | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | |

The perhaps most significant point here is the dominance of NO LAPSE over FTBIN, which is responsible for the selection of (67q) (*ran*)(*dé*)*buu*, with its accented monomoraic foot, over (*rán*)*debuu* with a fatal two-syllable lapse.

5.2.4 Preantepenultimate profiles

Preantepenultimate accent, i.e. accent on the fourth mora counting from the end, arises in the situation illustrated in (68).

| | | | | | |
|---------|------------------|--------------|----|-----------------|---------------|
| (68) a. | [... (L)H] | | b. | [... (H)H] | |
| | (dóra)gon | 'dragon' | | (shán)puu | 'shampoo' |
| | a(réru)gii | 'allergy' | | ka(rén)daa | 'calendar' |
| | (heri)(kópu)taa | 'helicopter' | | (esu)ka(rée)taa | 'escalator' |
| | (afu)ga(nísu)tan | 'Afganistan' | | ko(men)(tée)taa | 'commentator' |

Here a final H, itself unfooted due to NONFIN(SYLL), is preceded by a bimoraic foot, whose head receives the accent, which is tropic to syllable/foot heads. Tableaux for the two subcases appear in (69).

(69) [...(LL)H] (68a) and [...(H)H] (68b)

| INPUT | OUTPUT | OPT | 1:MT | 2:NONFIN(SYLL) | 3:NOLAPSE | 4:MINWDACC | 5:RIGHTMOST | 6:WSP | 7:FTBIN | 8:INTFT | 9:NONFIN(FT') | 10:WDACC | 11:PSYLL |
|--------------------|--|-------------|------|----------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------|---------|---------|---------------|----------|----------|
| LLH /doragon/ | a. ⁴ [(L)H], see (60) above | WINS | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| LLLH /arerugii/ | b. ⁴ [L(L)H] | WINS | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | 2 |
| | c. ³ [(LL)(L)H] | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 |
| | d. ⁵ [(L)LH] | | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | | | 2 |
| | e. ⁰ [(LL)L(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| | f. ² [(LL)L(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| | g. ⁰ [(LL)(L)(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| | h. ² [(LL)(L)(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| | i. ⁵ [(L)L(H)] | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| | j. ³ [(LL)(L)(H)] | | 1 | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | |
| HH /shanpuu/ | k. ⁴ [(H)H], see (60) above | WINS | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| LHH /karendaa/ | l. ⁴ [L(H)H] | WINS | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | 2 |
| | m. ⁴ [(L)(H)H] | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 |
| | n. ⁰ [L(H)(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 |
| | o. ² [L(H)(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| | p. ⁰ [(L)(H)(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| | q. ² [(L)(H)(H)] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| | r. ⁴ [L(H)(H)] | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| | s. ⁴ [(L)(H)(H)] | | 1 | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | |

5.2.5 Unaccented profiles (final LL)

There are two unaccented footing profiles, [(LL)(LL)] and [...(H)(LL)] (70).

| | | | | |
|------|--------------|------------|---------------|-------------|
| (70) | [(LL)(LL)] | | [...(H)(LL)] | |
| | (ita)(ria) | 'Italy' | (kaa)(soru) | 'cursor' |
| | (sopu)(rano) | 'soprano' | fu(ran)(neru) | 'flannel' |
| | (ara)(bama) | 'Alabama' | ri(haa)(saru) | 'rehearsal' |
| | (sina)(rio) | 'scenario' | ka(rip)(puso) | 'Calypso' |

The all light [(LL)(LL)] case only occurs when ... is null, because any extra material will lead to antepenultimacy fulfilling NONFINALITY(FT') (see (65e-j)). Words ending in HLL are predicted to be unaccented even when extra material precedes, as shown in (71).

(71) [(LL)(LL)], [...(H)(LL)] (70)

| INPUT | OUTPUT | OPT | 1:MT | 2:NONFIN(SYLL) | 3:NOLAPSE | 4:MINWDACC | 5:RIGHTMOST | 6:WSP | 7:FTBIN | 8:INTFT | 9:NONFIN(FT ¹) | 10:WDACC | 11:PSYLL |
|-----------|--------------|-------------|------|----------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------|---------|---------|----------------------------|----------|----------|
| LLL | [(LL)(LL)] | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| /itaria/ | see (59) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HLL | [(H)(L)] | WINS | | | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| /kaasoru/ | see (59) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| LHLL | [L(H)(L)] | WINS | | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 |
| rihaasaru | [L(H)(L)] | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| | [(L)(H)(L)] | | | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| | [(L)(H)(L)] | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | |
| | [L(H)(L)L] | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | 2 |
| | [(L)(H)(L)L] | | | | | | | | 2 | | | | 1 |
| | [L(H)(L)] | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| | [(L)(H)(LL)] | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | |
| | [L(H)LL] | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | 3 |
| | [(L)(H)LL] | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | 2 |

5.3 OTWorkplace summary

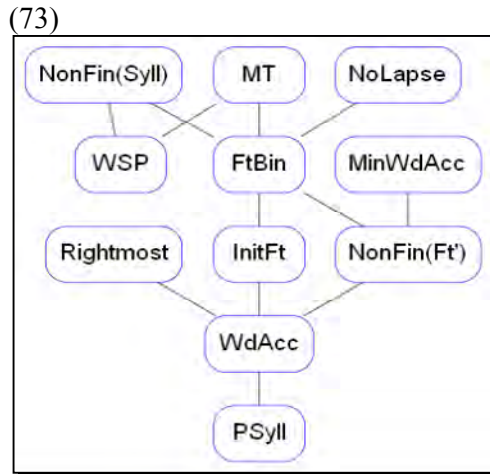
OTWorkplace produces a compact display²⁸ that presents the winner-loser competitions which support the rankings and can serve as a neat summary of the analysis. We reproduce it in (72), adapting the notation to that employed in this paper.

²⁸ For a brief explanation of the comparative tableau form, see (54) and the end of section 4.2 above.

(72)

| Input | Winner | Loser | 1:MT | 2:NONFIN(SYLL) | 3:NO LAPSE | 4:MINWDACC | 5:RIGHTMOST | 6:WSP | 7:FTBIN | 8:INITFT | 9:NONFIN(FT') | 10:WDACC | 11:PSYLL |
|-------|-------------------------|-------------|------|----------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------|---------|----------|---------------|----------|----------|
| LH | ³ [(L)H] | [(LH)] | W | | | | | L | L | | | W | L |
| LH | ³ [(L)H] | [L(H)] | | W | | | | L | L | W | | W | |
| HLH | ³ [(H)(L)H] | [(H)LH] | | | W | | | | L | | | | W |
| L | ¹ [(L)] | [(L)] | | | | W | | | | | L | W | |
| HLL | ⁰ [(H)(LL)] | [(H)(LL)] | | | | | W | | | | | L | |
| LL | ² [(L)L] | [(L)L] | | | | | | | W | | L | | W |
| LHL | ³ [L(H)L] | [(L)(H)L] | | | | | | | W | L | | | L |
| LLLL | ⁰ [(LL)(LL)] | [L(L)L] | | | | | | | | W | | L | W |
| HLL | ⁰ [(H)(LL)] | [(H)(LL)] | | | | | | | | | W | L | |
| HLLL | ³ [(H)L(L)L] | [(H)(L)(L)] | | | | | | | | | | W | L |

OTWorkplace also generates the constraint ranking diagram (73), which is equivalent to (57) above.



6. Further challenges

We have presented a unified OT analysis for a large body of fairly complex accentual data, but there are still many subgeneralizations uncovered by past research that remain to be explored. This section takes up a few of these cases, for which we believe an extension of our analysis can offer some explanation and/or serve as a guideline for future exploration. The cases involve truncation patterns (6.1), special properties of native lexical items (6.2), and patterns of systematic variation (6.3),

6.1 Truncation patterns

We noted earlier that truncated loanwords (see section 2.3 and the discussion surrounding (12)) follow the same accentual patterns as nontruncated ones.

| (74) | | truncated loans | cf. nontruncated loans | Gloss |
|------|------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| 2μ | LL | ² (bíru) | ² (pári) | 'building', 'Paris' |
| | H | — | ² (pán) | —, 'bread' |
| 3μ | LLL | ³ (áni)me | ³ (bána)na | 'animation', 'banana' |
| | HL | ³ (dái)ya | ³ (rán)pu | 'diamond', 'lamp' |
| | LH | — | ³ (pú)rin | —, 'pudding' |
| 4μ | LLLL | ⁰ (riha)(biri) | ⁰ (shina)(rio) | 'rehabilitation', 'scenario' |
| | HLL | ⁰ (kon)(bini) | ⁰ (tee)(buru) | 'convenience store', 'table' |
| | HH | — | ⁴ (shán)puu | —, 'shampoo' |
| | LLH | — | ⁴ (dóra)gon | —, 'dragon' |
| | LHL | ³ de(páa)to | ³ to(rén)do | 'department store', 'trend' |

There are gaps in the prosodic profiles among the truncated loans (i.e., the blank cells for H, LH, HH, LLH), because of truncation-specific requirements (see Ito and Mester 1992, Labrune 2002, and the discussion of truncation variation above in section 2.3). Of interest here is the fact that for words that we might have expected to truncate to LLH or HH, such as ⁴*animéesyon*, 'animation', ³*konpoonénto* 'component', the truncated outputs are not *⁴*ánimee*, *⁴*kómpoo*, but instead the trimoraic LLL and HL (³*ánime*, ³*kónpo*).

A further interesting challenge to the analysis is the existence of an exception to the exception to the four-mora unaccentedness generalization, so to speak, which arises in truncated loan compounds. The vast majority of four-mora truncations are actually compound truncations, with each member consisting of one bimoraic foot. Here, whatever the internal rhythmic composition of the two feet, the whole truncated loan compound is unaccented, as shown in (75). This includes the H-final cases LLH and HH, which are accented in non-truncated forms (see (58)-(60) above).

| | | | |
|------|-------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| (75) | LL+LL | ⁰ (seku)(hara) | 'sexual harrassment' |
| | | ⁰ (puchi)(buru) | 'petit bourgeois' |
| | H+LL | ⁰ (waa)(puro) | 'word processor' |
| | | ⁰ (kon)(masu) | 'concert master' |
| | LL+H | ⁰ (paso)(kon) | 'personal computer', |
| | | ⁰ (roke)(han) | '(film) location hunting' |
| | H+H | ⁰ (baa)(ten) | 'bartender' |
| | | ⁰ (jii)(pan) | 'jeans pants' |

Whereas the simple loans ⁴(*táku*)*shii* 'taxi' and ⁴(*gáa*)*den* are accented, corresponding truncated loan compounds, such as ⁰(*paso*)(*kon*) and ⁰(*jii*)(*pan*), are unaccented.²⁹ The most likely cause for their divergent behavior lies in their prosodic form: Different from a non-truncated simplex loanword like (*táku*)*shii*, which simply receives the optimal prosodic parse with non-exhaustive footing, like all other words ending in H, a truncated loan compound like ⁰(*paso*)(*kon*) is fitted to a template and hence appears fully footed as Ft+Ft—exactly the locus

²⁹ Their unaccentedness also does not conform to the general accentuation pattern associated with the most closely corresponding class of regular (non-truncated) compounds, namely those whose second member does not exceed one bimoraic foot. According to Kubozono 1999: 174-176, such forms are as a default accented on the last syllable of the first member, and unaccentedness is a marked pattern.

of unaccentedness.

There are various ways of formally implementing this—for example, we could posit a special version of the WSP indexed to truncated loans (in the sense of Pater 2006) dominating RIGHTMOST, which would result in full footing. For our purposes here, a more principled approach suggests itself, capitalizing on the fact that the truncations in question are compounds.

The idea is to reduce their unaccentedness to the fact that their compound status entails that each part, including the second part, has to minimally be a foot. A restriction along these lines was first motivated by Poser (1984:140, note 52) for Sino-Japanese compounds, who tentatively suggests that they "[...] contain a boundary across which a foot may not be constructed," and consequently "even a two mora compound will contain two feet [...]," crediting Mark Liberman for the idea. We call the relevant constraint LEXFT (76) and insert it at the top of the hierarchy above FTBIN.

- (76) LEXFT: Every lexical morpheme (i.e., full content morpheme, not grammatical formative) minimally projects its own foot.

The tableaux in (77) contrast simplex loans and truncated loan compound with identical syllable quantities: LLH vs. LL+H, HH vs. H+H. As shown, top-ranking LexFt is responsible for the difference in footing and hence accentuation.

(77)

| | input | output | opt | 0: LexFt | 1: MT | 2: NonFin(Syll) | 3: NoLapse | 4: MinWdAcc | 5: Rightmost | 6: WSP | 7: FtBin | 8: InitFt | 9: NonFin(Ft) | 10: WdAcc | 11: PSyll |
|------|------------|---------------------------|-------------|----------|-------|-----------------|------------|-------------|--------------|--------|----------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| LLH | /doragon/ | a. ⁴ [(LL)H] | WINS | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| | | b. ⁰ [(LL)(H)] | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| LL+H | /paso+kon/ | c. ⁴ [(LL)H] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| | | d. ⁰ [(LL)(H)] | WINS | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| HH | /shanpuu/ | e. ⁴ [(H)H] | WINS | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| | | f. ⁰ [(H)(H)] | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| H+H | /jii+pan/ | g. ⁴ [(H)H] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| | | h. ⁰ [(H)(H)] | WINS | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | |

LEXFT has the advantage that it accounts for a further generalization. Different from other 3 μ loanwords, which are overwhelmingly accented (see (7) and section 2.3 above), 3 μ compound truncations are unaccented. This observation is due to Oho 2009, who shows in an experiment with an associated wug test that the generalization holds for both established forms (78a-c) and nonce formations (78d).

- (78) a. ⁰seku+me 'section mate' sekushon méeto
 b. ⁰fami+ma 'family mart' famirii máato
 c. ⁰meru+bo 'mailbox' meeru bókkusu
 d. ⁰supa+ma 'super matching' suupaa máatchingu

Unaccentedness of these forms is again due to LEXFT, which entails that each part, including the second, has to be a foot. LEXFT dominates FTBIN, therefore this also holds for monomoraic second compound members.

| | |
|---|--|
| (79) 3 μ compound truncations: Ft+Ft, unaccented ³⁰ | 3 μ simplex truncations: Ft+ σ , accented |
| ⁰ (LL)(L) | ³ [(L)LH] |
| ⁰ (seku)(me), ⁰ (meru)(bo), etc. | ³ (tére)bi, ³ (áni)me, etc. 'television', 'animation' |

Given this prosody, unaccentedness follows for 3 μ compound truncations (78) exactly as in (77), with full footing. A contrasting simplex truncation, where LEXFT has no effect, is given in (80).

| (80) | input | output | opt | 0: LexFt | 1: MT | 2: NonFin(Syll) | 3: NoLapse | 4: MinWDacc | 5: Rightmost | 6: WSP | 7: FtBin | 8: InitFt | 9: NonFin(Ft) | 10: WDacc | 11: PSyll |
|------|-----------|---------------------------|-------------|----------|-------|-----------------|------------|-------------|--------------|--------|----------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| LLL | /anime/ | a. ⁴ [(LL)L] | WINS | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| | | b. ⁰ [(LL)(L)] | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| LL+L | /seku+me/ | c. ⁴ [(LL)L] | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| | | d. ⁰ [(LL)(L)] | WINS | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | |

6.2 The native lexicon

Our analysis has so far been mainly restricted to the loan vocabulary, because this is where unmarked prosody has the best chance to unfold itself, unhampered by the morphological idiosyncrasies characteristic of the native lexicon of most languages.

As already pointed out in section 2.2, there is at least one major discrepancy between the native lexicon and the loan lexicon: While three-mora loans (³*bánana*, etc.) are mostly accented (93%), three-mora native items (e.g., ⁰*nezumi* 'mouse') are mostly unaccented (71%), with Sino-Japanese items ranging in between. Is there a specific reason for the discrepancy? Why are there more unaccented forms in this particular section of the native lexicon? In light of the analysis in the preceding section, for native three-mora words like ⁰*nezumi* unaccentedness would be the expected outcome if the foot structure was Ft+Ft: ⁰(*nezu*)(*mi*), fully footed into two feet, attaining the unaccented equilibrium.

As pointed out by John Whitman (personal communication), it is likely that Old Japanese morphemes were at most bimoraic. If so, all longer words are compounds, and trimoraic forms must consist of a bimoraic and a monomoraic item. Well-known examples from etymological dictionaries are ⁰*sakana* 'fish' (*sake*+*na*, 'food that goes well with sake') and ⁰*nezumi* 'mouse'

³⁰ 3 μ compound truncations are asymmetric in that only the second, and not the first, foot can be unary: We find [(LL)(L)⁰], not [(L)(LL)⁰], so perhaps INITIALFT still requires a proper bimoraic foot. In a similar vein, *zuija-go* 3 μ forms are also unaccented, according to Ito, Kitagawa and Mester 1996, which might also be due to their templatic nature—unless other more general forces are at work leading to unaccentedness.

(*ne+sumi* 'root+live', 'those that live in dark/low places'). Just as in the case of the trimoraic truncated compounds discussed in the previous section, if the compound status of these items is taken as a synchronic reality, undominated LEXFT (76) would force the footing of the monomoraic items *na* and *ne*. However, some examples are likely to be folk etymologies, and a synchronic compound structure for all of these items is rather doubtful. More plausible is a more indirect influence of history: Their historical origin as compounds may have persisted as a special prosodic marker in these words. For concreteness, we take this to be a lexicalized monomoraic foot, amounting to full lexicalized footing of the whole morpheme. Three-mora forms will thus have two feet: ⁰(*saka*)(*na*), ⁰(*ne*)(*zumí*), resulting in unaccentedness.³¹

6.3 Variation and OTWorkplace

The complex accentual patterns found in Japanese are, as noted from the outset, broad statistical tendencies (see Kubozono 2006 and Kitahara 2001; the latter provides detailed statistics about unaccentedness and accent location, on the basis of a large lexical database of Japanese by Amano and Kondo 1999). In this paper, we have taken the default accentual system of Japanese to be the one that jibes best with the data in the study conducted by Kubozono 2006, supplemented by the one done by ourselves, with the help of Takashi Morita and Maho Morimoto.

Other patterns do exist, the most prevalent one being forms that have an accent in a location that is faithful to the location of main prominence in the original source word, such as ¹*fondyú* 'fondue' and ⁵*ákusento* 'accent', which is due to indexed faithfulness constraints in a stratified lexicon (Ito and Mester 1995a, 1995b, 1999, 2009b). Besides such faithfulness cases, there are two other accentual (non-default) patterns that are more than sporadic exceptions. These are cases where the default system predicts unaccentedness, ⁰[(LL)(LL)] and ⁰[(H)(LL)], but what we find instead is antepenultimacy, ³[L(L)L], or pre-antepenultimacy ⁴[(L)(LL)], ⁴[(H)(LL)].³² Examples of this variation are given in (81) and (82).

(81) Variations in 4L words

| Unaccented ³³ (LL)(LL) | | Antepenult L(L)L | | Preantepenult (L)(LL) | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| ⁰ anarogu | <i>analog</i> | ³ kurébasu | <i>crevasse</i> | ⁴ ákuseru | <i>accelerator</i> |
| ⁰ anemone | <i>anemone</i> | ³ sutóresu | <i>stress</i> | ⁴ áruzasu | <i>Alsace</i> |
| ⁰ afurika | <i>Africa</i> | ³ sorísuto | <i>soloist</i> | ⁴ ófisharu | <i>official</i> |
| ⁰ abokado | <i>avocado</i> | ³ cherísuto | <i>cellist</i> | ⁴ káruteru | <i>cartel</i> |
| ⁰ amerika | <i>America</i> | ³ defórumo | <i>deformer</i> | ⁴ sákusesu | <i>success</i> |
| ⁰ arukari | <i>alkali</i> | ³ toróide | <i>Tholoide (G)</i> | ⁴ pápirusu | <i>papyrus</i> |
| ⁰ arupaka | <i>alpaca</i> | ³ papúrika | <i>paprika</i> | ⁴ múnieru | <i>meunière (F)</i> |
| ⁰ arubamu | <i>album</i> | ³ rubáshika | <i>rubashka (R)</i> | ⁴ rákurosu | <i>lacrosse (F)</i> |
| ⁰ enameru | <i>enamel</i> | ³ repúrika | <i>replica</i> | ⁴ mínimamu | <i>minimum</i> |

³¹ Another possibility is to posit a constraint PARSEROOTSYLL_{*i*} demanding that every syllable of a root is parsed, a special markedness constraint indexed (in the sense of Pater 2006) to this specific lexical class *i* of native items. If PARSEROOTSYLL_{*i*} is undominated for three-mora words of class *i*, monomoraic feet will appear instead of unparsed syllables.

³² Another antepenultimate pattern is found in older LLH loans (e.g., bitámin 'Vitamin (G)'), where the winner appears to contain a monomoraic medial foot [L(L)H] (or an iambic foot [(LL)H]). The pattern is similar to that of compound accent with short second members (Kubozono 2009). Such loans therefore may have been interpreted as compounded structures. We leave these cases for future exploration.

³³ The unaccented examples (default cases) are chosen from the beginning of the alphabetized list.

(82) Variations in HLL words

| Unaccented ⁰ (H)(LL) | | Pre/antepenult ³⁴ ⁴ (H)(LL) | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|--|---------------------|
| a. ⁰ aidaho | <i>Idaho</i> | ⁴ pándora | <i>Pandora</i> |
| ⁰ antena | <i>antenna</i> | ⁴ rúuburu | <i>rublj (R)</i> |
| ⁰ faasuto | <i>first</i> | ⁴ ríttoru | <i>litre (F)</i> |
| ⁰ gondora | <i>gondola</i> | ⁴ tóosuto | <i>toast</i> |
| ⁰ konsome | <i>consommé</i> | ⁴ kóntena | <i>container</i> |
| ⁰ mainasu | <i>minus</i> | ⁴ hánguru | <i>han-geul (K)</i> |

Besides these lexically fixed cases, some lexical items have several accentual variants as shown in (83): unaccented/antepenult variants (83a), unaccented/preantepenult variants (83b), antepenult/preantepenult variants (83c), and even all three variants (83d).

(83) Variants in 4L words

| Unaccented (LL)(LL) | Antepenult L(LL)L | Preantepenult (L)(LL) | |
|---------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| a. ⁰ akapera | ³ akápera | | <i>acapela</i> |
| ⁰ ananasu | ³ anánasu | | <i>ananas</i> |
| ⁰ sukuramu | ³ sukúramu | | <i>scram</i> |
| ⁰ somurie | ³ somúrie | | <i>sommelier</i> |
| ⁰ bajiriko | ³ bajíriko | | <i>basilicum</i> |
| ⁰ dorakyura | ³ dorákyura | | <i>Dracula</i> |
| ⁰ kobaruto | ³ kobáruto | | <i>cobalt</i> |
| b. ⁰ akuriru | | ⁴ ákuriru | <i>acrylic</i> |
| ⁰ apareru | | ⁴ ápareru | <i>apparel</i> |
| ⁰ arupusu | | ⁴ árupusu | <i>Alps</i> |
| ⁰ bekutoru | | ⁴ békutoru | <i>Vektor(G)</i> |
| ⁰ manyuaru | | ⁴ mányuaru | <i>manual</i> |
| ⁰ marakasu | | ⁴ márakasu | <i>maracas(S)</i> |
| ⁰ pasuteru | | ⁴ pásuteru | <i>pastel</i> |
| c. | ³ inísharu | ⁴ ínisharu | <i>initial</i> |
| | ³ oáshisu | ⁴ óashisu | <i>oasis</i> |
| | ³ torípuru | ⁴ tóripuru | <i>triple</i> |
| d. ⁰ kokonatsu | ³ kokónatsu | ⁴ kókonatsu | <i>coconut</i> |

HLL forms can also be either lexically fixed (82) or in variation (84).

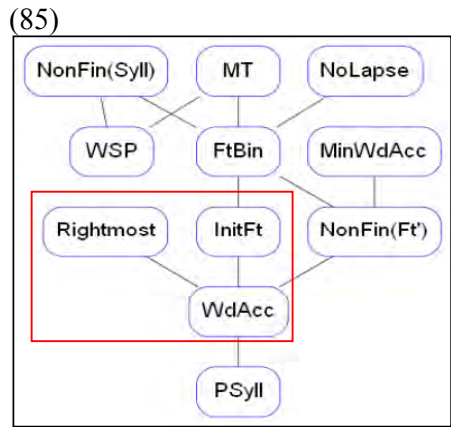
(84) Variants in HLL words

| Unaccented ⁰ (H)(LL) | Pre/antepenult ⁴ (H)(LL) | |
|------------------------------------|--|----------------|
| ⁰ bakkuru | ⁴ bákkuru | <i>buckle</i> |
| ⁰ bookaru | ⁴ bóokaru | <i>vocal</i> |
| ⁰ chembaro | ⁴ chémbaro | <i>cembalo</i> |

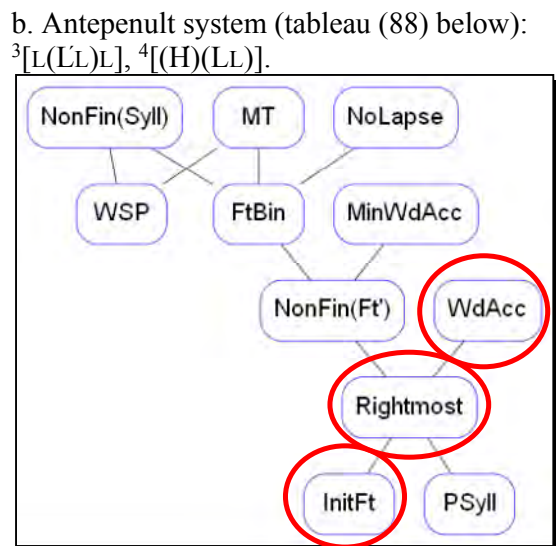
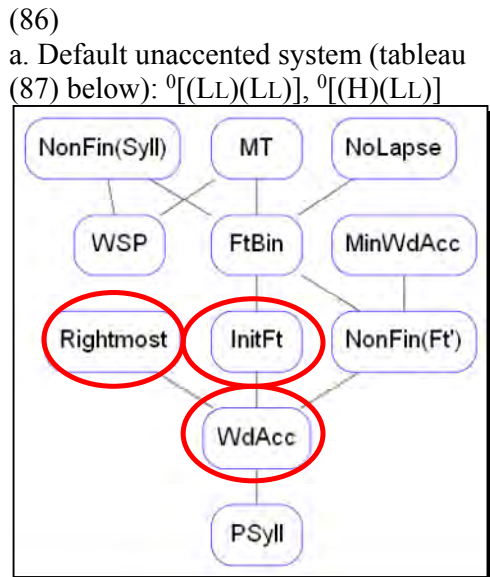
³⁴ Since accent can only fall on the initial mora of the heavy syllable, antepenultimate and preantepenult accent are equivalent for HLL words.

| | | |
|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| ⁰ eeteru | ⁴ éeteru | <i>Ether (G)</i> |
| ⁰ googuru | ⁴ góoguru | <i>goggles</i> |
| ⁰ kontena | ⁴ kóntena | <i>container</i> |
| ⁰ saaberu | ⁴ sáaberu | <i>saber</i> |

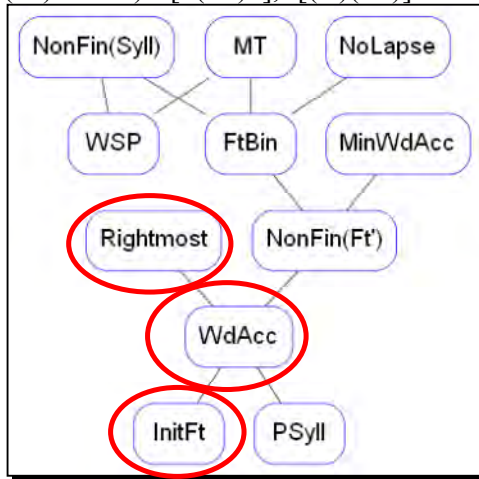
We take the antepenult and preantepenult systems to be variant (sub)grammars of Japanese, with different constraint rankings. Within the default accentual system in the concise OTWorkplace format (repeated from (73) in (85)), ranking variation is found among the three constraints in the red box: RIGHTMOST, INITFT, and WDACC. All other rankings and ranking relations remain the same among the subgrammars.



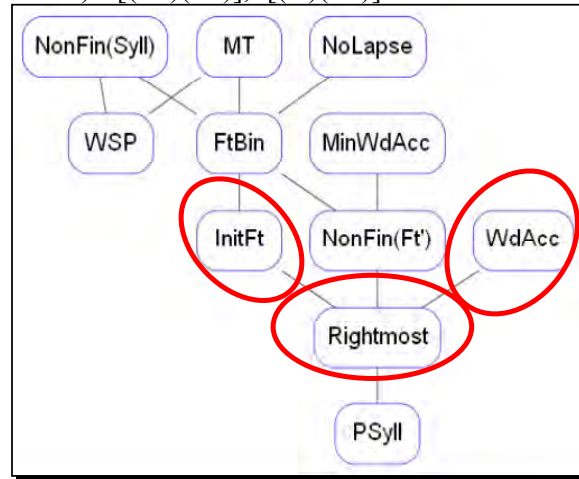
The different subgrammars: unaccented (default), antepenult, weak antepenultimate, and preantepenult) are depicted in (86), with the crucial variations noted in red circles.



c. Weak antepenultimate system (tableau (89) below): $^3[L(L)L]$, $^0[(H)(LL)]$



d. Preantepenultimate system (tableau (90) below): $^4[(LL)(LL)]$, $^4[(H)(LL)]$



To illustrate the effects on the relevant inputs in these subgrammars, we give the four tableaux (87)-(90) below, where the three bolded constraints, RIGHTMOST, INITFT, and WDACC, are sandwiched between the higher-ranking constraints and PSYLL. Each tableau contains three inputs: (a) LLLL, (b) HLL, and (c) HLLLL. The latter is included to show a typical example where the same antepenultimate candidate $^3[(H)L(L)L]$ emerges as the winner for all subgrammars.

Tableau (87) is the familiar default system, where low-ranking WDACC ensures that $^0[(LL)(LL)]$ and $^0[(H)(LL)]$ emerge unaccented.

(87) Default system (full ranking in (86a)): unaccented winners $^0[(LL)(LL)]$ and $^0[(H)(LL)]$

| | | | MT | NONFIN(SYLL) | NOLAPSE | MINWDACC | WSP | FtBIN | NONFIN(Ft') | RIGHTMOST | INITFT | WDACC | PSYLL |
|----------|----------------|------------------|----|--------------|---------|----------|-----|-------|-------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|-------|
| Input | Winner | Loser | | | | | | | | | | | |
| a. LLLL | $^0[(LL)(LL)]$ | $^2[(LL)(L)L]$ | | | | | | | W | | | L | |
| | $^0[(LL)(LL)]$ | $^4[(L)(LL)]$ | | | | | | | | W | | L | |
| | $^0[(LL)(LL)]$ | $^3[L(L)L]$ | | | | | | | | | W | L | W |
| b. HLL | $^0[(H)(LL)]$ | $^2[(H)(L)L]$ | | | | | | | W | | | L | |
| | $^0[(H)(LL)]$ | $^3[(H)(LL)]$ | | | | | | | | W | | L | |
| c. HLLLL | $^3[(H)L(L)L]$ | $^2[(H)(LL)(L)]$ | | | | | | | W | | | | L |
| | $^3[(H)L(L)L]$ | $^0[(H)(L)(LL)]$ | | | | | | | | W | | | L |
| | $^3[(H)L(L)L]$ | $^0[(H)(LL)(L)]$ | | | | | | | | | | W | L |

Turning to the antepenultimate system (88), we see that low-ranking INITFT allows for the antepenultimate candidate $^3[L(L)L]$ to win over the unaccented candidate $^0[(LL)(LL)]$ and the preantepenultimate candidate $^4[(L)(LL)]$. Because WDACC is ranked higher than RIGHTMOST, accented $^4[(H)(LL)]$ wins over unaccented $^0[(H)(LL)]$.

(88) Antepenult system (full ranking in (86b)): Winners ³[L(L̇)L] and ⁴[(H)(LL)].

| Input | Winner | Loser | MT | NONFIN(SYLL) | NOLAPSE | MINWDACC | WSP | FTBIN | NONFIN(FT ¹) | WDACC | RIGHTMOST | INITFT | PSYLL |
|---------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|----|--------------|---------|----------|-----|-------|--------------------------|-------|-----------|--------|-------|
| a. LLLL | ³ [L(L̇)L] | ² [(LL)(L̇L)] | | | | | | | W | | | L | L |
| | ³ [L(LL)L] | ⁰ [(LL)(LL)] | | | | | | | | W | | L | L |
| | ³ [L(L̇L)L] | ⁴ [(L̇L)(LL)] | | | | | | | | | W | L | L |
| b. HLL | ⁴ [(H)(LL)] | ² [(H)(L̇L)] | | | | | | | W | | L | | |
| | ⁴ [(H)(LL)] | ⁰ [(H)(LL)] | | | | | | | | W | L | | |
| c. HLLL | ³ [(H)L(L̇L)L] | ² [(H)(LL)(L̇L)] | | | | | | | W | | | | |
| | ³ [(H)L(LL)L] | ⁰ [(H)(LL)(LL)] | | | | | | | | W | | | L |
| | ³ [(H)L(L̇L)L] | ⁴ [(H)(L̇L)(LL)] | | | | | | | | | | W | L |

In the weak antepenultimate system (89), INITFT continues to be low-ranking, hence the antepenultimate winner ³[L(LL)L], but RIGHTMOST is ranked higher than WDACC, favoring unaccented ⁰[(H)(LL)] over ⁴[(H)(LL)].

(89) Weak antepenultimate system (full ranking in (86c): Antepenult ³[L(LL)L], unaccented ⁰[(H)(LL)].

| Input | Winner | Loser | MT | NONFIN(SYLL) | NOLAPSE | MINWDACC | WSP | FTBIN | NONFIN(FT ¹) | WDACC | RIGHTMOST | INITFT | PSYLL |
|---------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|----|--------------|---------|----------|-----|-------|--------------------------|-------|-----------|--------|-------|
| a. LLLL | ³ [L(L̇L)L] | ² [(LL)(L̇L)] | | | | | | | W | | | L | L |
| | ³ [L(LL)L] | ⁴ [(L̇L)(LL)] | | | | | | | | W | | L | L |
| | ³ [L(L̇L)L] | ⁰ [(LL)(L̇L)] | | | | | | | | | W | L | L |
| b. HLL | ⁰ [(H)(LL)] | ² [(H)(L̇L)] | | | | | | | W | | L | | |
| | ⁰ [(H)(LL)] | ⁴ [(H)(LL)] | | | | | | | | W | L | | |
| c. HLLL | ³ [(H)L(L̇L)L] | ⁴ [(H)(LL)(L̇L)] | | | | | | | W | | | | L |
| | ³ [(H)L(LL)L] | ⁴ [(H)(L̇L)(LL)] | | | | | | | | W | | | L |
| | ³ [(H)L(L̇L)L] | ⁰ [(H)(LL)(L̇L)] | | | | | | | | | W | | L |

Finally, in the preantepenultimate system (90), RIGHTMOST is lowest-ranked among the relevant constraints, so that the RIGHTMOST-violating candidates, ⁴[(L̇L)(LL)] and ⁴[(H)(LL)], win over those that violate INITFT, ³[L(LL)L], and WDACC, ⁰[(LL)(L̇L)] and ⁰[(H)(LL)].

(90) Preantepenultimate system (full ranking in (86d)): Preantepenult winners $^4[(\text{L}\text{L})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ and $^4[(\text{H})(\text{L}\text{L})]$

| Input | Winner | Loser | MT | NONFIN(SYLL) | NOLAPSE | MINWDACC | WSP | FTBIN | NONFIN(FT ¹) | WDACC | INIFt | RIGHTMOST | PSYLL |
|---------|--|--|----|--------------|---------|----------|-----|-------|--------------------------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|
| a. LLLL | $^4[(\text{L}\text{L})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | $^0[(\text{L}\text{L})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | | | | | | | W | | | L | |
| | $^4[(\text{L}\text{L})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | $^0[(\text{L}\text{L})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | | | | | | | | W | | L | |
| | $^4[(\text{L}\text{L})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | $^3[\text{L}(\text{L}\text{L})\text{L}]$ | | | | | | | | | W | L | W |
| b. HLL | $^4[(\text{H})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | $^0[(\text{H})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | | | | | | | W | | | L | |
| | $^4[(\text{H})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | $^0[(\text{H})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | | | | | | | | W | | L | |
| c. HLLL | $^3[(\text{H})\text{L}(\text{L}\text{L})\text{L}]$ | $^0[(\text{H})(\text{L}\text{L})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | | | | | | | W | | | | L |
| | $^3[(\text{H})\text{L}(\text{L}\text{L})\text{L}]$ | $^0[(\text{H})(\text{L}\text{L})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | | | | | | | | W | | | L |
| | $^3[(\text{H})\text{L}(\text{L}\text{L})\text{L}]$ | $^4[(\text{H})(\text{L}\text{L})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | | | | | | | | | | W | L |

The relevant outputs of the four subgrammars are summarized in (91).

| (91) Input | [LLLL] | [HLL] | HLLL |
|-----------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|
| Default unaccented system | $^0[(\text{L}\text{L})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | $^0[(\text{H})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | $^3[(\text{H})\text{L}(\text{L}\text{L})\text{L}]$ |
| Weak antepenultimate system | $^3[\text{L}(\text{L}\text{L})\text{L}]$ | $^0[(\text{H})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | $^3[(\text{H})\text{L}(\text{L}\text{L})\text{L}]$ |
| Antepenultimate system | $^3[\text{L}(\text{L}\text{L})\text{L}]$ | $^4[(\text{H})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | $^3[(\text{H})\text{L}(\text{L}\text{L})\text{L}]$ |
| Preantepenultimate system | $^4[(\text{L}\text{L})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | $^4[(\text{H})(\text{L}\text{L})]$ | $^3[(\text{H})\text{L}(\text{L}\text{L})\text{L}]$ |

This analysis of variation only attempts to formally capture what exactly the differences are in terms of constraint ranking. Which form goes with which subgrammar depends on various factors—genre of words, model of source language, period of loan, etc.—which are worth exploring in their own right in a different kind of study, for example, using sociolinguistic methods. Closer to home, it is also beyond the scope of this investigation to assess the exact probabilities of the different variants, but nothing precludes implementing our analysis in a model of stochastic OT, such as Anttila 1997, Boersma and Hayes 2001, and later developments.

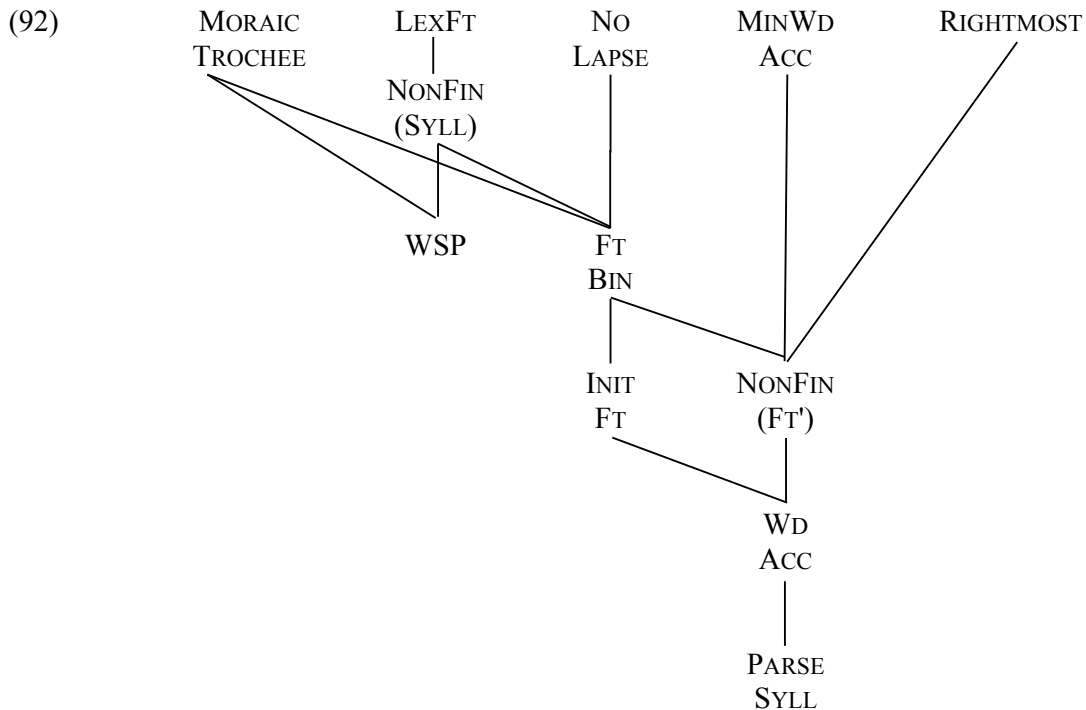
7. Summary and conclusion

Starting out as an investigation into the well-known difference in obligatoriness between pitch accent and stress accent, this paper identified several vital themes essential to the understanding of how unaccented words can arise in a pitch accent system. The key to unraveling the complexities is to give full justice to both the metrical and the accentual parts of the system, and to investigate the way in which metrical and accentual constraints interact in the grammar.

The single most important result is the importance of foot structure for any attempt to predict which kinds of forms will show a preference for unaccentedness and which will not. Thus while it is true that unaccented items show a concentration among 4μ forms, this only holds for certain 4μ forms (LLLL, HLL), and not for others (LLH, HH, LHL). The reason is

that only the first are fully parsed into two feet (see section 5.2), and unaccentedness emerges as the optimal way of fulfilling both RIGHTMOST and NONFINALITY(Ft') in such structures, and not others. In other words, the actual explanation of unaccentedness is only very indirectly related to overall mora count—an explanation whose rationale would remain mysterious in any case—but is rather rooted in the overall rhythmic structure of the word, crucially involving feet.

To conclude, we assemble all constraints that play a role in the analysis, and their ranking.



The key characteristics of the system arising from the constraint ranking depicted in (92) are threefold: (i) antepenultimacy, in broad outline similar (but crucially not identical) to what is found in familiar stress languages like Latin, English, and Macedonian (section 3.1-3.2), (ii) unaccentedness, arising through the option of a lower-ranking word prominence constraint in pitch accent systems (3.3), and (iii) avoidance of rhythmic lapses (4.1). Quite striking is the fact that the constraints (on parsing, alignment, length, weight profile, lapses, foot structure, accentual headedness) and their interaction explain not only the broad generalizations and their crosslinguistic implications, but also the rather minute details of different accentual phenomena in Japanese. Once the system is put in place, we have gained an understanding of further phonological phenomena that we did not even set out to investigate, such as the accentual properties of minimal words (3.3, 5.2.2), truncations (6.1), language games (3.2), and other nonce formations (6.1), as well as of the source of the different accentual behavior of native words and loans (6.2)—and perhaps, with further exploration and theoretical development, of many other phenomena in Japanese and elsewhere.

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