

Harmonic Bounding in (Noisy) Harmonic Grammar*

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1 Introduction

- Eastern Andalusian: regressive ATR harmony optionally targets unstressed vowels:

- (1) a. *cómetelos* kóm̄et̄el̄o ~ kóm̄et̄el̄o ‘eat them (for you)!’
b. *momentos* mom̄ént̄o ~ m̄om̄ént̄o ‘instants’

- Analyses exist for OT (Jiménez & Lloret 2007, Lloret 2018, Lloret & Jiménez 2009, Walker 2011), but not Harmonic Grammar (e.g. Legendre et al. 1990).
- **Problem 1:** The constraints used for OT fail in HG.
- **Problem 2:** HG provides different ways of producing optionality.
- Solutions to one problem influence the other, and they hinge on harmonic bounding.
- Common claim: some outputs in optionality are harmonically bounded (Kaplan 2011, Kimper 2011a, Riggle & Wilson 2005, Vaux 2008).
- Most versions of Noisy Harmonic Grammar produce harmonically bounded outputs.
 - NHG (NHG; e.g. Hayes 2017, Jesney 2007): stochastic evaluation of candidates within Harmonic Grammar.
- Argument 1: NHG accounts for Eastern Andalusian only when it cannot access harmonically bounded candidates.
 - If NHG admits desired harmonically bounded candidates, it admits undesired ones, too.

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- Therefore, the constraint set must not render any licit output harmonically bounded.
- Argument 2: we need positive constraints (e.g. Kimper 2011b) that reward compliance instead of penalizing non-compliance.
 - Only with positive constraints are all of Eastern Andalusian’s surface forms non-harmonically bounded.
- Taken together: optionality has implications for phonology more generally.
- Two case studies:
 - Eastern Andalusian harmony: NHG must not have access to harmonically bounded candidates.
 - Pima reduplication: NHG succeeds even without access to harmonically bounded candidates.

2 Eastern Andalusian Harmony

- Word-final /s/ deletes (“/s/-aspiration”) and the adjacent vowel becomes lax, triggering harmony (data from Jiménez & Lloret 2007, Lloret 2018, Lloret & Jiménez 2009).
- The stressed vowel always harmonizes:

- (2)
- | | | | |
|----|---------------|-------|------------|
| a. | <i>tesis</i> | tési | ‘thesis’ |
| b. | <i>tienes</i> | tjéne | ‘you have’ |
| c. | <i>nenes</i> | néne | ‘babies’ |
| d. | <i>monos</i> | móno | ‘monkeys’ |
| e. | <i>lejos</i> | lého | ‘far’ |
| f. | <i>pesos</i> | pésɔ | ‘weights’ |
| g. | <i>bocas</i> | bókæ | ‘mouths’ |

- Other post-tonic vowels optionally harmonize in “lockstep” (Hayes 2017):

- (3)
- | | | | |
|----|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| a. | <i>treboles</i> | trébole ~ trébole | ‘clovers’ |
| b. | <i>cómetelos</i> | kómetelɔ ~ kómetelɔ | ‘eat them (for you)!’ |
| | | *kómetelɔ, *kómetelɔ | |

- Pretonic vowels optionally harmonize in lockstep, but only with post-tonic harmony:

- (4)
- | | | | |
|----|------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| a. | <i>momentos</i> | moméntɔ ~ mɔméntɔ | ‘instants’ |
| b. | <i>reloj</i> | reló ~ reló | ‘watch’ |
| c. | <i>relojes</i> | relóhe ~ relóhe | ‘watches’ |
| d. | <i>monederos</i> | moneđerɔ ~ mɔneđerɔ | ‘purses’ |
| | | *mɔneđerɔ, *moneđerɔ | |
| e. | <i>recógelos</i> | rekóhelɔ ~ rekóhelɔ ~ rekóhelɔ | ‘pick them’ |
| | | *rekóhelɔ | |

- High vowels lax word finally but are transparent to harmony:

(5)	a.	<i>crisis</i>	kɾísɪ	‘crisis’
	b.	<i>muchos</i>	múʃɔ	‘many’
	c.	<i>mios</i>	míɔ	‘mine (pl.)’
	d.	<i>cojines</i>	kohíne ~ kəhíne	‘pillows’
	e.	<i>cotillones</i>	kotizóne ~ kətizóne	‘cotillions’

- Transparency in (5d) and (5e) is derivationally opaque, so no account provided here.
- Summary: optionality is abundant, but has strict limitations:
 - Stressed vowels obligatorily harmonize.
 - Post-tonic vowels behave in lockstep; likewise pretonic vowels.
 - Pretonic harmony requires post-tonic harmony.
 - High vowels don’t harmonize.
- Cf. optionality French schwa deletion (e.g. Dell 1980), English flapping (e.g. de Jong 2011): little coordination between loci.

3 Two Analyses in HG

- One analysis with harmonically bounded attested forms (negative constraints), the other with no harmonically bounded attested forms (a positive constraint).
- Only the latter supports an NHG model.
- Analyses based on existing OT analyses (Jiménez & Lloret 2007, Lloret 2018, Lloret & Jiménez 2009, Walker 2011), adapted for HG.
- Harmony on stressed syllable is driven by Positional Licensing (e.g. Walker 2011).
- Harmony elsewhere:
 - Post-tonic harmony: *DUPLICATE (no discontinuous harmony domains; Walker (2011))
 - Pretonic harmony: Maximal Licensing ([–ATR] must appear in every syllable; Walker (2011))
- NHG perturbs weights/harmony scores, so weights used here are just illustrative.
- Notation:
 - 🏆 = winner
 - ✓ = attested
 - × = harmonically bounded

3.1 Negative Positional Licensing

- OT analyses: final laxing = docking of /s/'s aspiration feature on a vowel.
- Enforced by $\text{MAX}(-\text{ATR})$; must outweigh $\text{IDENT}(\text{ATR})$:

(6)

/kʁísi/	$\text{MAX}(-\text{ATR})_{20}$	$\text{IDENT}(\text{ATR})_2$	H
a. kʁísi	-1		-20
☞✓ b. kʁísi		-1	-2

- Standard categorical PL is pathological in HG; it must be gradient (Kaplan 2018):

(7) $\text{LICENSE}([-ATR], \acute{o})$: assign -1 for each $[-ATR]$ that does not coincide with \acute{o} and -1 for each syllable that intervenes between $[-ATR]$ and the nearest \acute{o} . (NG-PL)

(8)

/kómetelos/	$\text{MAX}(-\text{ATR})_{20}$	LICENSE_4	$\text{IDENT}(\text{ATR})_2$	H
a. kómetelo	-1			-20
b. kómetelɔ		-3	-1	-14
×✓ c. kómetelɔ		-2	-2	-12
× d. kómetelɔ		-1	-3	-10
× e. kómetelɔ		-1	-3	-10
☞✓ f. kómetelɔ			-4	-8

- LICENSE penalizes unharmonized vowels in candidate (c) to avoid pathologies (Kaplan 2018).

- Candidates that skip post-tonic vowels (c)–(e) are collectively harmonically bounded (Samek-Lodovici & Prince 1999) by candidates (b) and (f).

– But [kómetelɔ] is attested! That might be OK—let’s let NHG deal with it.

- Pretonic harmony: Maximal Licensing

(9)

/monedéros/	$\text{MAX}(-\text{ATR})_{20}$	LICENSE_4	MAXLIC_4	$\text{IDENT}(\text{ATR})_2$	H
a. moneðéro	-1				-20
b. moneðérɔ		-1	-3	-1	-18
✓ c. moneðérɔ			-2	-2	-12
× d. mɔneðérɔ			-1	-3	-10
× e. moneðérɔ			-1	-3	-10
☞✓ f. mɔneðérɔ				-4	-8

- $w(\text{IDENT}(\text{ATR})) > w(\text{MAXLIC}) \rightarrow$ no pretonic harmony:

(10)

/monedéros/	MAX(-ATR) 20	LICENSE 4	MAXLIC 1	IDENT(ATR) 2	H
a. moneðéro	-1				-20
b. moneðéro		-1	-3	-1	-9
☞✓ c. moneðéro			-2	-2	-6
× d. moneðéro			-1	-3	-7
× e. moneðéro			-1	-3	-7
✓ f. moneðéro				-4	-8

- Candidates (d) and (e) are collectively harmonically bounded by (c) and (f).
- Coordination between pretonic and post-tonic harmony:

(11) a.

/rekóhelos/	MAX(-ATR) 20	LICENSE 4	MAXLIC 4	IDENT(ATR) 2	H
a. rekóhelo	-1				-20
b. rekóhelɔ		-2	-3	-1	-22
×✓ c. rekóhelɔ		-1	-2	-2	-16
✓ d. rekóhelɔ			-1	-3	-10
☞✓ e. rekóhelɔ				-4	-8
× f. rekóhelɔ		-1	-1	-3	-14

b.

/rekóhelos/	MAX(-ATR) 20	LICENSE 4	MAXLIC 1	IDENT(ATR) 2	H
a. rekóhelo	-1				-20
b. rekóhelɔ		-2	-3	-1	-13
×✓ c. rekóhelɔ		-1	-2	-2	-11
☞✓ d. rekóhelɔ			-1	-3	-7
✓ e. rekóhelɔ				-4	-8
× f. rekóhelɔ		-1	-1	-3	-11

- Candidate (c) is collectively harmonically bounded by (b) and (d)! Again, let NHG handle it.
- Candidate (f) is harmonically bounded by (d).

- High vowels: $*[+hi, -ATR]$ prevents harmony:

(12)

/krísis/	MAX(-ATR) 20	*[+hi, -ATR] 12	LICENSE 4	MAXLIC 1	IDENT(ATR) 2	H
a. krísi	-1					-20
☞✓ b. krísi		-1	-1	-1	-1	-19
c. krísi		-2			-2	-28

- What to do about the harmonically bounded attested forms?
 - Use NHG to access them.
 - Revise the analysis so they’re not harmonically bounded.

3.2 Positive Positional Licensing

- Similarities to NG-PL analysis:
 - MAX(-ATR) triggers final-vowel laxing.
 - $*[+hi, -ATR]$ protects high vowels.
 - LICENSE competes with IDENT to trigger harmony.

(13) LICENSE([-ATR], σ): assign +1 for each [-ATR] that coincides with σ and +1 for each additional syllable that [-ATR] appears in. (PG-PL; Kaplan 2018)

- $w(\text{LICENSE}) > w(\text{IDENT}) \rightarrow$ full post-tonic harmony:

(14)

/kómetelos/	MAX(-ATR) 20	LICENSE 3	IDENT(ATR) 2	H
a. kómetelo	-1			-20
b. kómetelo			-1	-2
✓ c. kómetelo		+2	-2	2
× d. kómetelo		+3	-3	3
× e. kómetelo		+3	-3	3
☞✓ f. kómetelo		+4	-4	4

- [kómetelo] is no longer harmonically bounded.
- Spreading to the licenser earns +2 from LICENSE but just -1 from IDENT.

- As long as $w(\text{IDENT}) < 2w(\text{LICENSE})$, we get this harmony:

(15)

/kómetelos/	$\text{MAX}(-\text{ATR})_{20}$	LICENSE_3	$\text{IDENT}(\text{ATR})_4$	H
a. kómetelo	-1			-20
b. kómetelo			-1	-4
☞✓ c. kómetelo		+2	-2	-2
× d. kómetelo		+3	-3	-3
× e. kómetelo		+3	-3	-3
✓ f. kómetelo		+4	-4	-4

- PG-PL also motivates pretonic harmony—no need for MAXLIC .
- $w(\text{IDENT}(\text{ATR})\text{-pretonic}) > w(\text{LICENSE}) \rightarrow$ no pretonic harmony:

(16)

/monedéros/	$\text{MAX}(-\text{ATR})_{20}$	IDENT-pre_4	LICENSE_3	$\text{IDENT}(\text{ATR})_2$	H
a. moneðéro	-1				-20
b. moneðéro				-1	-2
☞✓ c. moneðéro			+2	-2	2
× d. moneðéro		-1	+3	-3	-1
× e. moneðéro		-1	+3	-3	-1
✓ f. moneðéro		-2	+4	-4	-4

- $w(\text{LICENSE}) > w(\text{IDENT}) + w(\text{IDENT-pretonic}) \rightarrow$ pretonic harmony:

(17)

/monedéros/	$\text{MAX}(-\text{ATR})_{20}$	$\text{IDENT-pre}_{0.5}$	LICENSE_3	$\text{IDENT}(\text{ATR})_2$	H
a. moneðéro	-1				-20
b. moneðéro				-1	-2
✓ c. moneðéro			+2	-2	2
× d. moneðéro		-1	+3	-3	2.5
× e. moneðéro		-1	+3	-3	2.5
☞✓ f. moneðéro		-2	+4	-4	3

- Coordination between pretonic and post-tonic harmony:

(18) a. $w(\text{IDENT}) > w(\text{LICENSE}) \rightarrow$ no pretonic or post-tonic harmony

/rekóhelos/	$\text{MAX}(-\text{ATR})_{20}$	$\text{IDENT-pre}_{0.5}$	LICENSE_3	$\text{IDENT}(\text{ATR})_4$	H
a. rekóhelo	-1				-20
b. rekóhelɔ				-1	-4
☞✓ c. rekóhelɔ			+2	-2	-2
✓ d. rekóhelɔ			+3	-3	-3
✓ e. rekóhelɔ		-1	+4	-4	-4.5
× f. rekóhelɔ		-1	+3	-3	-3.5

b. $w(\text{IDENT-pre}) > w(\text{LICENSE}) > w(\text{IDENT}) \rightarrow$ only post-tonic harmony

/rekóhelos/	$\text{MAX}(-\text{ATR})_{20}$	IDENT-pre_4	LICENSE_3	$\text{IDENT}(\text{ATR})_2$	H
a. rekóhelo	-1				-20
b. rekóhelɔ				-1	-2
✓ c. rekóhelɔ			+2	-2	2
☞✓ d. rekóhelɔ			+3	-3	3
✓ e. rekóhelɔ		-1	+4	-4	0
× f. rekóhelɔ		-1	+3	-3	-1

c. $w(\text{LICENSE}) > w(\text{IDENT}) + w(\text{IDENT-pre}) \rightarrow$ pretonic and post-tonic harmony

/rekóhelos/	$\text{MAX}(-\text{ATR})_{20}$	$\text{IDENT-pre}_{0.5}$	LICENSE_3	$\text{IDENT}(\text{ATR})_2$	H
a. rekóhelo	-1				-20
b. rekóhelɔ				-1	-2
✓ c. rekóhelɔ			+2	-2	2
✓ d. rekóhelɔ			+3	-3	3
☞✓ e. rekóhelɔ		-1	+4	-4	3.5
× f. rekóhelɔ		-1	+3	-3	2.5

(19) High vowels:

/krísisi/	MAX(-ATR) 20	*[+hi, -ATR] 12	IDENT-pre 0.5	LICENSE 3	IDENT(ATR) 2	H
a. krísisi	-1					-20
✓ b. krísisi		-1			-1	-14
c. krísisi		-2		+2	-2	-22

3.3 Summary

(20)

Input	Candidate	Attested?	Neg. PL	Pos. PL
a. /monedéros/ 'purses'	moneðéro			
	moneðéro	✓		
	moneðéro		Bounded	Bounded
	moneðéro		Bounded	Bounded
	moneðéro	✓		
	moneðéro			
b. /kómetelos/ 'eat them (for you)!'	kómetelo			
	kómetelo	✓		
	kómetelo		Bounded	
	kómetelo		Bounded	Bounded
	kómetelo		Bounded	Bounded
	kómetelo	✓		
c. /rekógelos/ 'pick them'	rekóhelo			
	rekóhelo	✓		
	rekóhelo	✓	Bounded	
	rekóhelo		Bounded	Bounded
	rekóhelo	✓		
	rekóhelo			
d. /krísisi/ 'crisis'	krísisi			
	krísisi	✓		
	krísisi			

- Negative PL: two attested candidates are harmonically bounded: [kómetelo], [rekóhelo].
- Positive PL: no attested candidate is harmonically bounded.
- NHG with negative PL must produce [kómetelo], [rekóhelo] without producing other harmonically bounded forms.

4 Noisy HG & Simulations

- Several families of implementations (Hayes 2017):

(21) a. *Constraint-level noise (2 versions)*

	C_1 $2+i$	C_2 $1+j$	H <i>premultiplicative</i>	H <i>postmultiplicative</i>
(☞) a. CandA	-1	-1	$-1(2+i) - 1(1+j)$	$(-1 * 2) + i + (-1 * 1) + j$
(☞) b. CandB		-2	$0(2+i) - 2(1+j)$	$(0 * 2) + i + (-2 * 1) + j$

b. *Cell-level noise (2 versions)*

	C_1 2	C_2 1	H <i>premultiplicative</i>	H <i>postmultiplicative</i>
(☞) a. CandA	$-1 i$	$-1 j$	$-1(2+i) - 1(1+j)$	$(-1 * 2) + i + (-1 * 1) + j$
(☞) b. CandB	k	$-2 l$	$0(2+k) - 2(1+l)$	$(0 * 2) + k + (-2 * 1) + l$

c. *Candidate-level noise*

	C_1 2	C_2 1	H
(☞) a. CandA	-1	-1	$-3 + i$
(☞) b. CandB		-2	$-2 + j$

d. *Maximum Entropy (Goldwater & Johnson 2003)*

	C_1 2	C_2 1	H	<i>Probability</i>
(☞) a. CandA	-1	-1	-3	0.269
(☞) b. CandB		-2	-2	0.731

- Our taxonomy:

1. Noise at the constraint level

- (a) Classical NHG: Noise added before multiplication of penalties by weights: $penalty * (weight + noise)$
- (b) Noise added after multiplication of penalties by weights: $(penalty * weight) + noise$

2. Noise at the cell level

- (a) Noise added before multiplication of penalties by weights: $penalty * (weight + noise)$
- (b) Noise added after multiplication of penalties by weights: $(penalty * weight) + noise$

3. Noise at the candidate level

4. Maximum Entropy

- Only Classical NHG cannot produce harmonically bounded outputs (Hayes 2017).¹
- Monte Carlo simulations following Hayes (2017) using OTSoft (Hayes et al. 2013): 6 variants of NHG; NG-PL and PG-PL.
- 100,000 trials per simulation. Negative constraint weights were disallowed.

4.1 Constraint-Level Noise

- Most successful arrangement: Hayes’s Classical NHG (variety 1a) with PG-PL:

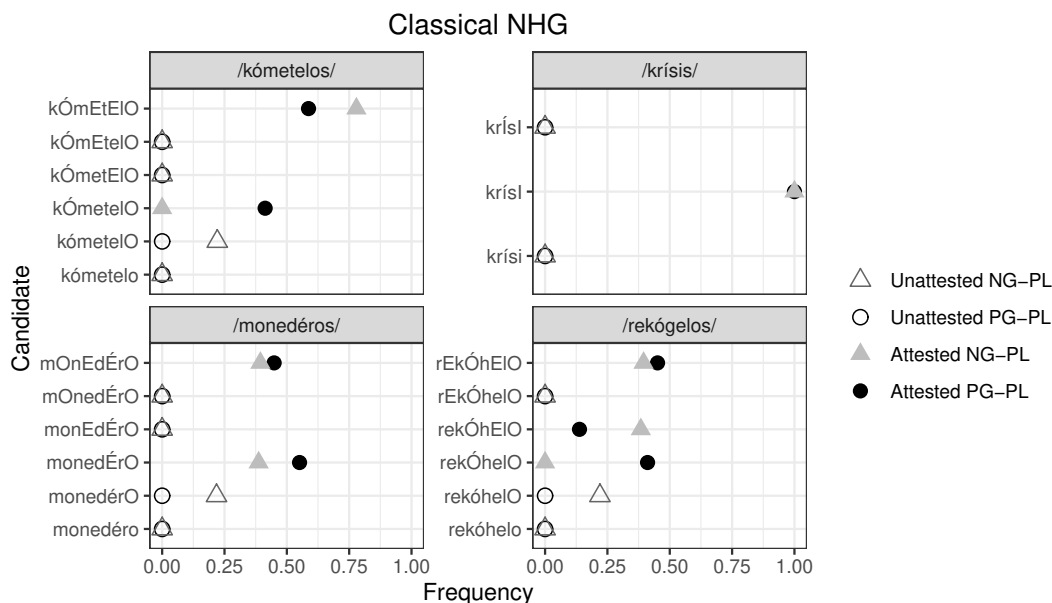


Figure 1: Results of simulations under variety 1a

- All and only attested forms produced.
- Subsequent iterations: unattested forms produced rarely.
 - Worst result: *[krísi] produced 38 times out of 100,000 trials.
 - 2 other illicit forms produced: *[kómetelɔ], *[monedǽrɔ]
- Classical NHG with NG-PL is less successful.
 - Attested [kómetelɔ], [rekóhelɔ] cannot be produced.
 - Unattested *[monedǽrɔ], *[kómetelɔ], *[rekóhelɔ] appear at a $\sim 22\%$ rate.

¹With only positive constraint weights, a harmonically bounded candidate is selected under Classical NHG only when it ties with a rival (Hayes 2017). Ties occurred very rarely in my simulations (for the PG-PL simulation in Figure 1: 125 ties in 66,565,284 chances), so I take it to be a reasonable approximation to say that Classical NHG does not produce harmonically bounded candidates. Indeed, in none of my simulations with Classical NHG did a harmonically bounded candidate win.

- Classical NHG succeeds only when no attested form is harmonically bounded. Under those conditions, it performs very well.

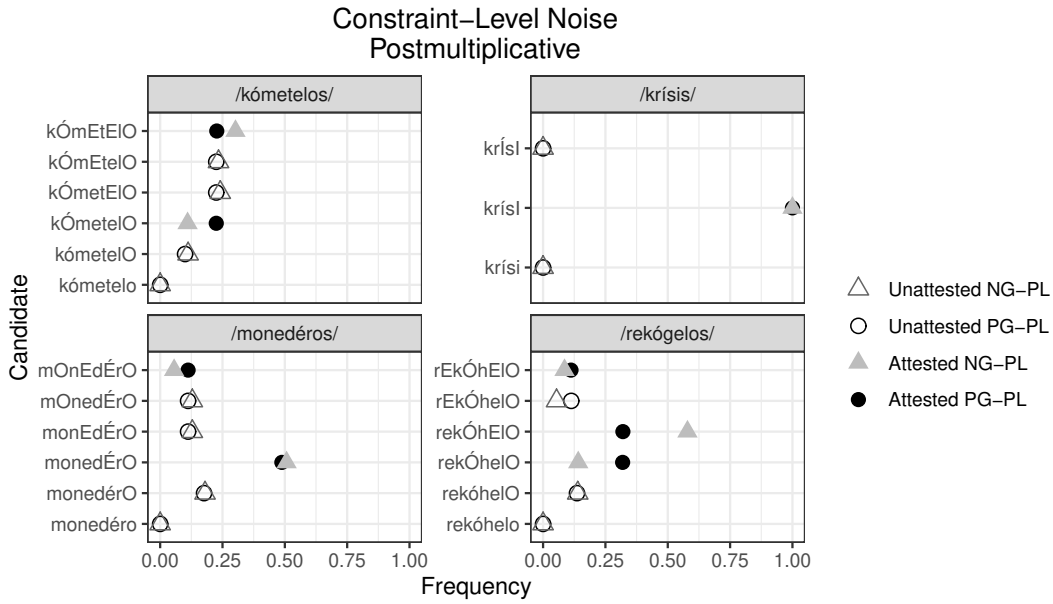


Figure 2: Results of simulations under variety 1b

- PG-PL: $w(\text{LICENSE}) = 24517.285$

4.2 Cell-Level Noise

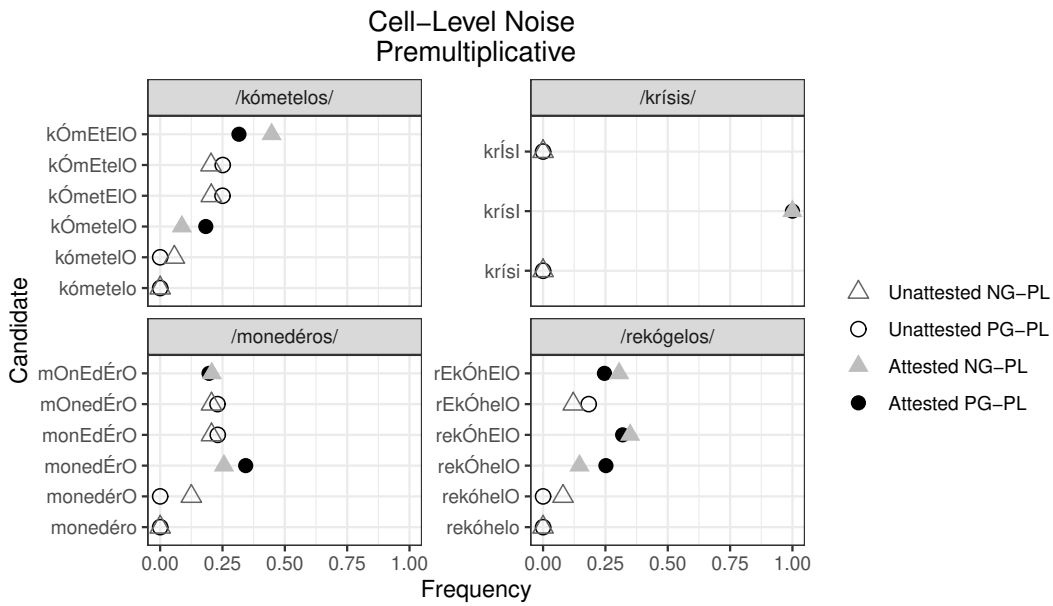


Figure 3: Results of simulations under variety 2a

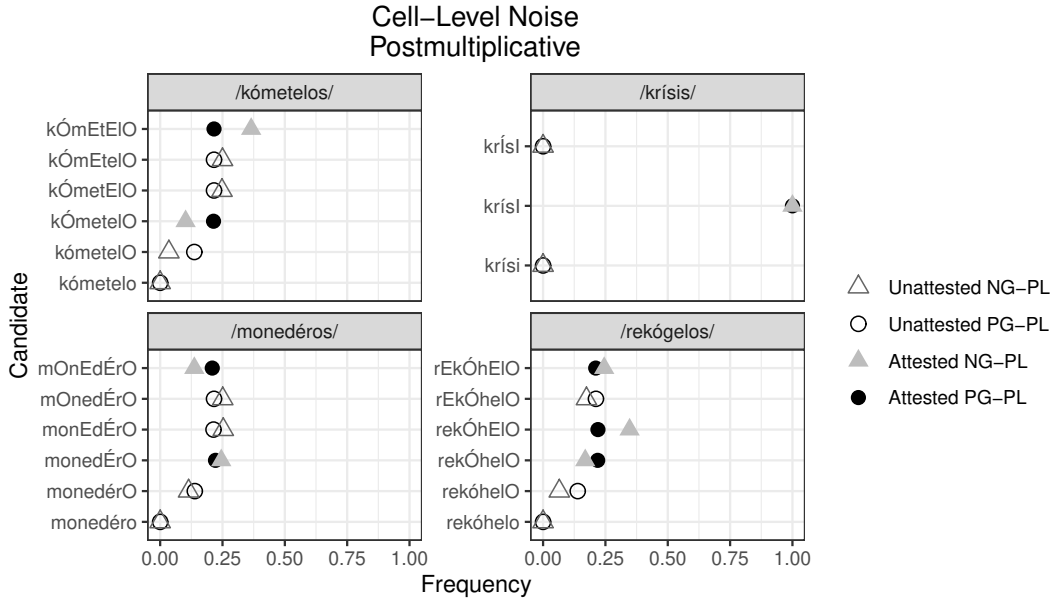


Figure 4: Results of simulations under variety 2b

- PG-PL: $w(\text{LICENSE}) = 22586.572$

4.3 Candidate-Level Noise

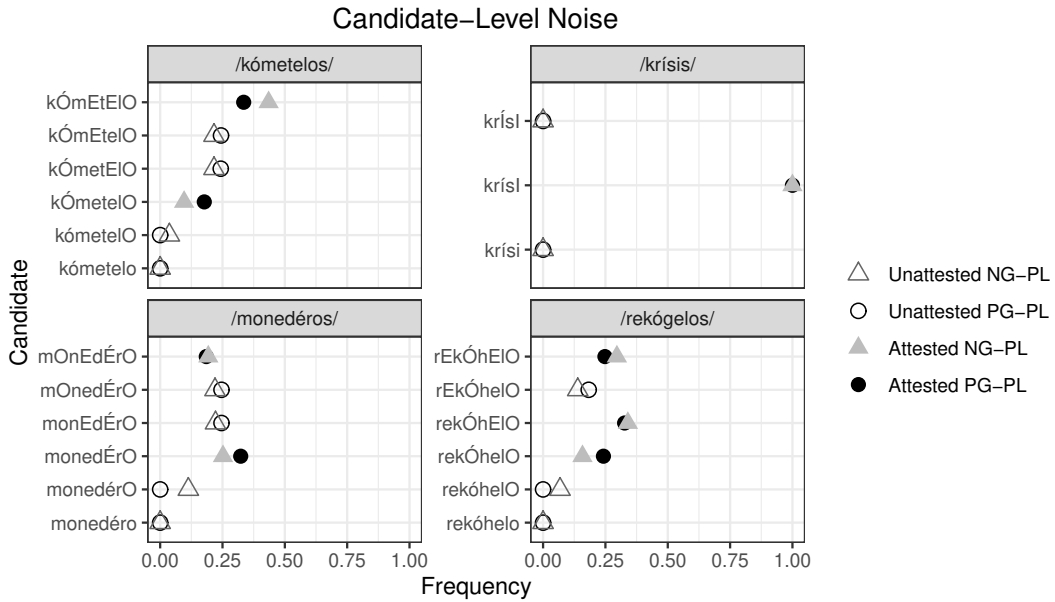


Figure 5: Results of simulations under variety 3

4.4 MaxEnt

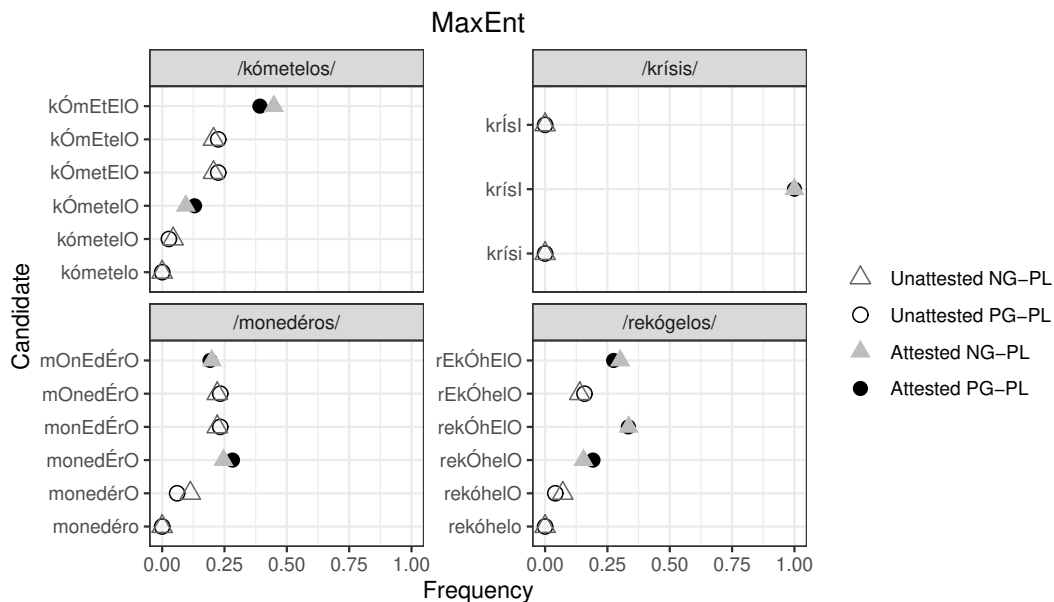


Figure 6: Results of simulations under MaxEnt

- NG-PL & PG-PL: $\text{MAX}(-\text{ATR})$ always at ceiling

5 Why is Classical NHG Better?

- Weights from Classical NHG with PG-PL:

(22)	$\text{MAX}(-\text{ATR})$	46.000
	$*[+\text{hi}, -\text{ATR}]$	27.000
	LICENSE	11.655
	IDENT(ATR)	11.345
	IDENT(ATR)-pretonic	0.251

- Dominance of $\text{MAX}(-\text{ATR})$: final vowels always lax.
- $*[+\text{hi}, -\text{ATR}]$ in second place: no non-final high lax vowels.
- All versions of NHG can do these two things.
- Classical NHG has the right tools for the remaining challenges:
 - Harmonically bounded candidates are excluded.
 - Only remaining unattested forms have no harmony ($*[\text{mone}\check{\text{d}}\text{é}\text{r}\text{ɔ}]$): ruled out if $w(\text{IDENT}) < 2w(\text{LICENSE})$.

- Harmonically bounded candidates are inevitable for non-Classical NHG:

(23)

/kómetelɔ/	LICENSE w_L	IDENT w_I	H
✓ a. kómetelɔ	+2	-2	$2w_L - 2w_I$
× b. kómetelɔ	+3	-3	$3w_L - 3w_I$
× c. kómetelɔ	+3	-3	$3w_L - 3w_I$
✓ d. kómetelɔ	+4	-4	$4w_L - 4w_I$

(24) Outcomes:

- $w_L > w_I \rightarrow$ (d) wins; (b/c) have better scores than (a)
- $w_L < w_I \rightarrow$ (a) wins; (b/c) have better scores than (d)
- $w_L = w_I \rightarrow$ 4-way tie

- Under (24a) or (24b): candidates (b) and (c) have scores between (a) and (d).
 - Good for Classical NHG, bad for other versions.
 - Classical NHG: only (a) and (d) win.
 - MaxEnt: probabilities are proportional to harmony scores. (b/c) must be at least as probable as (a) or (d).
 - Candidate-level noise: (b/c) have better “base” scores than (a) or (d), so they have a better chance of winning after noise is added.
 - Remaining varieties: same story: (b/c) have a head start on (a) or (d).
- Under (24c):
 - Classical NHG: unlikely after stochastic manipulation of weights.
 - The best arrangement for non-Classical NHG: (a) and (d) have equal starting scores and equal probabilities. But so do (b/c).

\Rightarrow It is impossible to elevate (a/d) without also elevating (b/c)!

- Classical NHG is fundamentally different in an advantageous way.
- Full NG-PL analysis: (a) is also harmonically bounded. If NHG produces this harmonically bounded candidate, it produces the others, too.
- Better to let the constraints identify viable candidates that NHG can choose from. We want the harmonically bounded candidates to be out of reach.

6 Optional Reduplication in Pima

- Pima (Uto-Aztecan; Arizona): plural marked with C or CV reduplication (Munro & Riggle 2004, Riggle 2006):

(25)	a.	<i>Singular</i>	<i>Plural</i>	<i>Gloss</i>
		maviṭ	ma <u>m</u> viṭ	‘lion’
		nakʃiI	na <u>n</u> kʃiI	‘scorpion’
		kakaitʃu	ka <u>k</u> kaitʃu	‘quail’
		kosvuI	ko <u>k</u> svuI	‘cocoon’
		maʃad	ma <u>m</u> ʃad	‘moon’
	b.	hoḍai	ho <u>h</u> oḍai	‘rock’
		biʃp	bi <u>b</u> iʃp	‘horse collar’
		ʔiʔiput	ʔiʔ <u>i</u> put	‘dress’
		niʔod	niʔ <u>i</u> ʔod	‘night hawk’
		mondʒuI	mo <u>m</u> ondʒuI	‘cape’

- In compounds, any number of stems may reduplicate (as long as at least one does):

(26)	<i>Singular</i>	<i>Plural</i>	<i>Gloss</i>
	miish-kii	mi <u>m</u> sh-kii, mi <u>m</u> sh-kii, miish-kii	‘church’ (mass-house)
	bàn-nó:d:adag	bà <u>b</u> an-nó <u>n</u> d:adag, bàu <u>a</u> n-nó <u>n</u> d:adag, bàu <u>a</u> n-nó <u>n</u> d:adag	‘peyote’ (coyote-plant.type)
	ʔùs-kálit	ʔùʔ <u>u</u> s-ká <u>k</u> lit, ʔùʔ <u>u</u> s-kálit, ʔùs-ká <u>k</u> lit	‘wagon’ (tree-car)

- For n stems, $2^n - 1$ possible plurals.
- Unlike Eastern Andalusian, no logically possible combinations are illicit (except lack of reduplication).

- Larger compounds: all combinations of reduplication possible:

(27)

<i>Singular</i>	<i>Plural</i>
a. [ʔus-kàlit]-[vaínom] ‘wagon-knife’ [tree-car]-[knife]	[ʔuʔus-kàkalit]-[vápainom] (7 variants)
b. [vil-gòodii]-[pas-tíil] ‘apricot pie’ [apricot]-[pie]	[vipil-gògodii]-[paps-títìil] (15 variants)
c. [li-miida]-[hoas-hàʔa]-[dágkuanakud:] ‘glass dish cloth’ [glass]-[baskety-jar]-[wiper]	[li-mimida]-[hoahas-hàhaʔa]-[dádagkuanakud:] (31 variants)

- Riggle & Wilson (2005):
 - Reduplication is motivated by MAX-[C-BR and penalized by *STRUCTURE.
 - REALIZEMORPHEME (e.g. Kurisu 2001) ensures at least one reduplicant.
- But intermediate levels of reduplication are harmonically bounded:

(28)

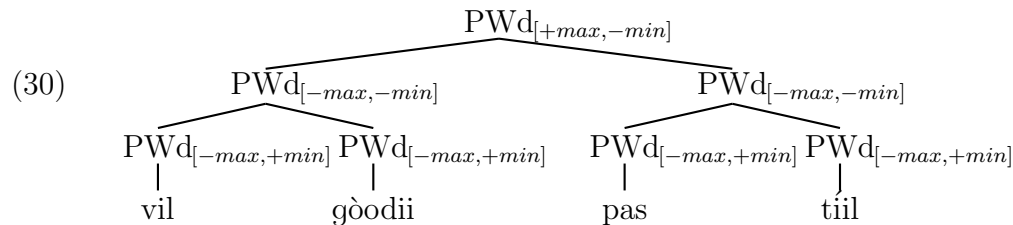
/[vil-gòodii]-[pas-tíil]/	REALIZEMORPH	MAX-[C-BR	*STRUCTURE
a. [vil-gòodii]-[pas-tíil]	-1	-4	
✓ b. [vipil-gòdii]-[pas-tíl] etc.		-3	-1
×✓ c. [vipil-gògodii]-[pas-tíl] etc.		-2	-2
×✓ d. [vil-gògodii]-[paps-títìil] etc.		-1	-3
✓ e. [vipil-gògodii]-[paps-títìil]			-4

- Positive constraints are no use: no possibility for 2-for-1 tradeoffs.
 - Positive *STRUCTURE: +1 for each stem with no reduplicant:

(29)

/[vil-gòodii]-[pas-tíil]/	REALIZEMORPH	MAX-[C-BR	*STRUCTURE
a. [vil-gòodii]-[pas-tíil]	-1	-4	+4
✓ b. [vipil-gòdii]-[pas-tíl] etc.		-3	+3
×✓ c. [vipil-gògodii]-[pas-tíl] etc.		-2	+2
×✓ d. [vil-gògodii]-[paps-títìil] etc.		-1	+1
✓ e. [vipil-gògodii]-[paps-títìil]			

- This seems like an excellent argument for non-Classical NHG!
- Solution: position-sensitive constraints.
- A recursive view (Ito & Mester 2009 et. seq., especially Ito & Mester 2013) of Pima’s compounds, based on Munro & Riggle’s (2004) description:



- Positional Faithfulness constraints (Beckman 1999) can trigger or block reduplication in prominent positions:

- (31)
- The minimal PWD that is the head of the maximal PWD: *tíil*
 - Minimal PWDs that are heads of intermediate PWDs: *gòodii*, *tíil*
 - PWDs that are initial in the maximal PWD: *vil*

- Kaplan (2016):
 - MAX-BR for each position in (31): triggers reduplication
 - CONTIGUITY for each position in (31): blocks reduplication
 - REALIZEMORPHEME as before
 - Variable rankings (Anttila 1997) yield all possibilities.

- Classical NHG produces all outputs for ‘apricot pie’ (underline = reduplicated stem):

(32)

Candidate	Frequency	Candidate	Frequency
[vil-góodii]-[pas]-[tíil]	0.000	✓[vil- <u>gòodii</u>]-[<u>pas</u>]-[tíil]	0.015
✓[<u>vil</u> -góodii]-[pas]-[tíil]	0.151	✓[vil- <u>gòodii</u>]-[pas]-[<u>tíil</u>]	0.071
✓[vil- <u>gòodii</u>]-[pas]-[tíil]	0.083	✓[vil-góodii]-[<u>pas</u>]-[<u>tíil</u>]	0.010
✓[vil-góodii]-[<u>pas</u>]-[tíil]	0.124	✓[<u>vil-gòodii</u>]-[<u>pas</u>]-[tíil]	0.040
✓[vil-góodii]-[pas]-[<u>tíil</u>]	0.107	✓[<u>vil-gòodii</u>]-[pas]-[<u>tíil</u>]	0.036
✓[<u>vil-gòodii</u>]-[pas]-[tíil]	0.013	✓[<u>vil-góodii</u>]-[<u>pas</u>]-[<u>tíil</u>]	0.019
✓[<u>vil</u> -góodii]-[<u>pas</u>]-[tíil]	0.048	✓[vil- <u>gòodii</u>]-[<u>pas</u>]-[<u>tíil</u>]	0.060
✓[<u>vil-góodii</u>]-[pas]-[<u>tíil</u>]	0.018	✓[<u>vil-gòodii</u>]-[<u>pas</u>]-[<u>tíil</u>]	0.206

- Classical NHG doesn’t preclude analysis of optionality like Pima’s.
- Like Eastern Andalusian, we just have to use the right constraints!

7 Conclusion

- Harmonic bounding imposes beneficial structure on the candidate set, passing a more manageable set of candidates to NHG.
- Circumventing harmonic bounding seems advantageous for optionality, but it's actually counterproductive.
- The best model comes from the least powerful framework, Classical NHG. . .
- . . . but Classical NHG needs positive constraints—positive constraints are useful!
- Intricate optionality can emerge without a bulky apparatus dedicated to it: Classical NHG merely adjusts constraint weights.
- Conclusions about the necessary arrangements for optionality have implications for non-optional phenomena.

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