

Focus And Phrasing In Chichea Phonology

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(In)Direct reference in the phonology-syntax interface under phase theory:

a response to Modular PIC²

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Abstract

While the domains of phrasal phonological processes are, in many interface theories, defined in terms of prosodic constituents, D'Alessandro and Scheer (2015) argue that their proposed modification of phase theory, *Modular PIC*, renders prosodic constituents superfluous. Phrasal phonological domains can instead be defined directly in the syntax. In this response, we argue that Modular PIC does not provide a convincing new approach to the syntax-phonology interface, as it is both too powerful and too restrictive. We show that the analysis offered of *Raddoppiamento fonosintattico* in Eastern Abruzzese does not justify the loss of restrictiveness Modular PIC brings to phase theory. Modular PIC is also shown to be too restrictive to account for phenomena, from Bantu languages and others, which have received satisfactory analyses within interface theories that appeal to prosodic constituents. We conclude that Modular PIC does not successfully replace prosodic constituent approaches to the interface.

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1 Introduction

Since the late 1980s (see, e. g., Chen 1987, Hayes 1989, Nespor & Vogel 1986, Selkirk 1986), many theories of the syntax-phonology interface have argued for an indirect reference approach to defining the domains of phrasal phonological processes. The central argument

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