

Assignment 7: due Wednesday March 30

Read Michael Kenstowicz's (1998) Uniform Exponence: Exemplification and Extension (<http://roa.rutgers.edu/view.php3?id=230>).

Answer the following questions:

1. Kenstowicz's discussion of stress retraction in Russian provides an argument for O-O correspondence effects. The question here involves details of how this argument works.
 - a. How do you state Retraction (so that it will penalize the right candidates and not the wrong ones)? What is the formulation of Retraction that is satisfied by the candidate *remésél (discussed bottom of page 4) as well as by remésel, the actual surface form? Is there an alternative interpretation of Retraction which is satisfied only by remésel? If there was such an alternative how would it affect the argument?
 - b. How would Faith (stress) have to be stated so that the pattern of violations displayed in tableaux 4-5 (p.6) will result?
 - c. How is Uniform exponence evaluated and formally stated so that this constraint is satisfied by the actual paradigms in (3) p. 5 and not by the paradigm of remesló in which the Genitive plural is *remésél (as implicit in tableau 4)? Note that neither paradigm is in fact accentually uniform.
 - d. Could the Russian double retraction facts be analyzed as an instance of cyclic rule application? Provide a sample derivation showing how the double retraction case (remésel) would/would not work.
 - e. Could the double retraction facts be analyzed with a Base-Identity constraint (in the style of Benua 1997), rather than Uniform Exponence? (If so: what additional assumptions are necessary. Are they reasonable?)
2. What constraint ranking is needed for the Dominican Spanish data discussed p. 7-8?
3. Evaluate the argument that Uniform exponence (affix) >> Uniform exponence (root) in Warlpiri. Is the ranking needed?