## **Dialectal Variation**

- Language change over time & Regional US dialects
- 2. Social & Ethnic dialects
- 3. Contact influences

## Dialect

- Dialect: language variety used by some group
  - Neutral linguistic term, not sub-standard
  - Dialects differ by multiple linguistic levels
    - Phonological (accent), lexical (vocab), syntactic...
  - <u>Everyone</u> speaks a dialect of a language
- Language: continuum of dialects
  - "Neighbors" are mutually intelligible
    - Those farther apart may be less so

## Language Variation

- Diachronic variation:
  - language change over time
- Synchronic variation:
  - language variation at a particular point in time
  - Dialects

Mnemonics: Syn-chronic

**S**ame-time

Dia-chronic
across-time
~diameter goes

across a circle

# Language Change over Time



- Chain Shift
- Merger & Monophthongization

# Why do languages change?

#### Some causes:

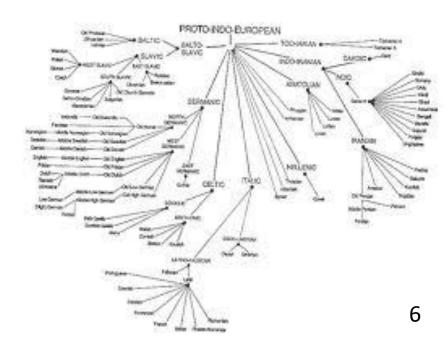
- New generations modify, innovate
  - Change over time
- Geography
  - isolated groups develop separately
- Language contact
- Social groups differentiate themselves
  - Separation, overt/covert prestige





## Language variation & change

- Languages are constantly changing
  - There is always variation in every language
- Language variation and change are normal
- □ Language change ≠ decay, corruption
  - Variation ≠ substandard, stupid...



# A (Brief) History of English

#### Old English (449-1066):



и Fæder ure þu þe eart on heofonum



Si þin nama gehalgod ...

### Middle English (1066-1500):

Oure fadir that art in heuenes, halewid be thi name ...

### Early Modern English (1500-1800):

Our father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name...

### Modern English (1800-present):

Our father, who is in heaven, May your name be kept holy...

Beowulf

Chaucer's Canterbury Tales

Great Vowel Shift Shakespeare

## Sound change

- A change in pronunciation over time
  - Unconditioned: sound changes no matter where it appears in the language

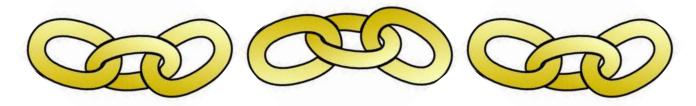
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OldEModEc\bar{u} [ku:]> cow [kavarpara](/u:/>[avarpara])h\bar{u}s [hu:s]> house [havarparas](i.e., Great Vowel Shift)
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## Sound change

- A change in pronunciation over time
  - Conditioned: a sound changes only in certain phonetic/phonological environments
    - □ Coarticulation → phoneme reinterpretation

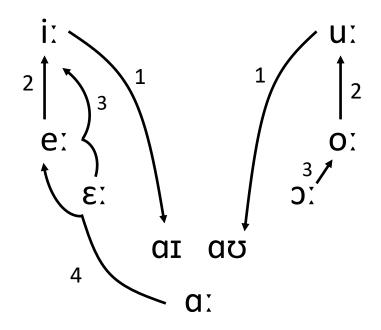
## Chain shifts

- Chain shift: Multiple phonemes/allophones shift phonetically toward/away from others in the same (sub)system
  - Push chain: A phoneme moves toward (becomes like) another, which then moves away
  - Pull/drag chain: A phoneme moves away from another, which moves in to fill the gap



# Great Vowel Shift (in brief)

Between MidEng and ModEng (1400-1700), long vowels undergo shift upward in height (with high vowels becoming diphthongs)



Pull or push chain? Hint:



# Great Vowel Shift (in brief)

Responsible for many of the spelling peculiarities of English

<u>MidE</u>	<u>ModE</u>	
shires	shires	[ $[si:res] / [saiz]$ i: $\rightarrow ai$
sweete	sweet	[swe:tə] / [swit] $e: \rightarrow i$
bathed	bathed	[ba:ðəd] / [beɪðd]      a: → eɪ
shoures	showers	[ʃu:rəs] / [ʃaʊɹz] <b>u: → aʊ</b>
roote	root	[ro:tə] / [ɹut] <b>o:</b> → <b>u</b>
ooth	oath	$[0:0] / [0]$ $\Rightarrow o$

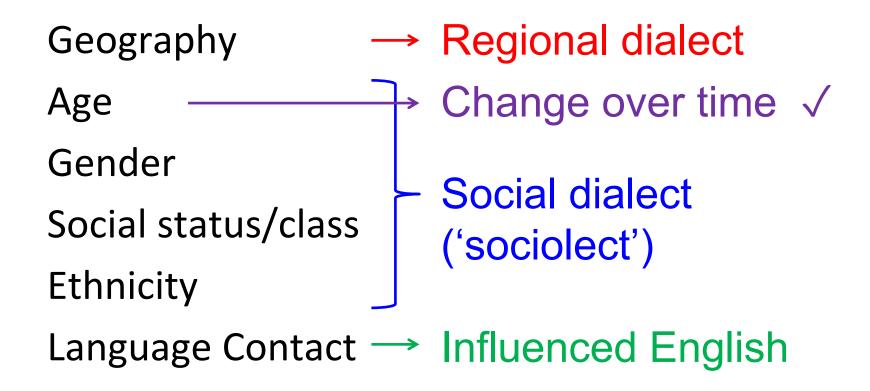
## Merger

- Merger: Neighboring phonemes merge, so they can no longer be distinguished in production or perception
  - Merger by transfer: A moves in with B (B doesn't move)
    - Mary-marry-merry merger (/er, ær/ disappeared)
  - By approximation: A and B meet in the middle (both move)
    - □ *Pin-pen* merger (both /ɪ̞/)
  - By expansion: new space = A+B (both expand to overlap)
    - Low-back vowel merger (cot-caught and anything in between)

## Other types of sound change

- Split: Opposite of merger
  - Some words that used to be pronounced with Vowel A are now pronounced with Vowel B
- Monophthongization: Diphthong loses glide
  - aka diphthong simplification
  - intermediate steps: glide weakening
  - Nucleus often lengthens
  - Nucleus may shift in quality
    - □ Southern /aɪ/ → /aː/ (fronted, lengthened monophth.)

### Contributors to dialect variation



# Regional Dialects

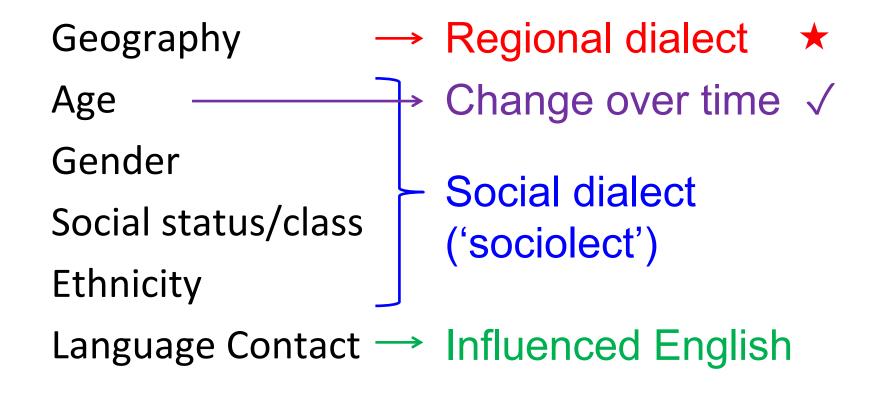


Phonetic features of major American English dialect regions (focusing on vowels)

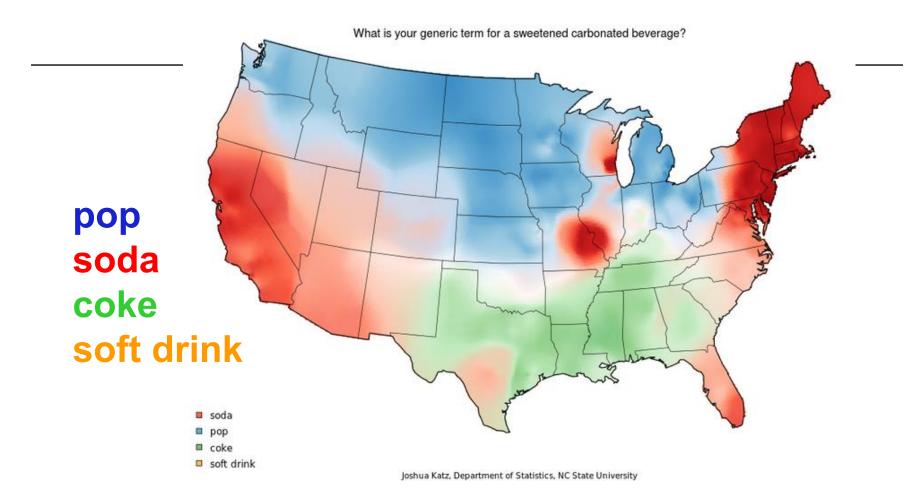
East Midland West

South & Oklahoma

### Contributors to dialect variation



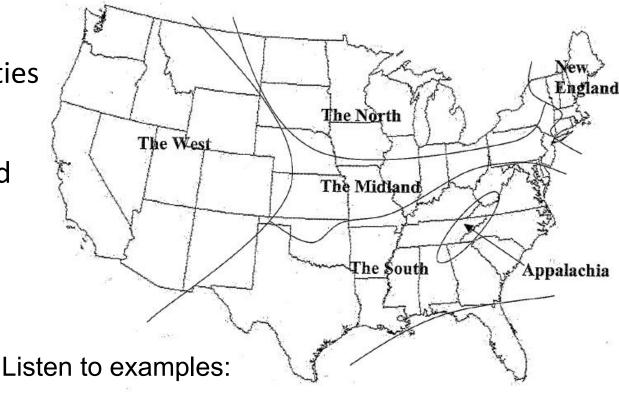
### Words for 'carbonated beverage'



Other pretty Katz maps: <a href="https://www.businessinsider.com/22-maps-that-show-the-deepest-linguistic-conflicts-in-america-2013-6#ok-this-one-is-crazy-everyone-pronounces-pecan-pie-differently-10">https://www.businessinsider.com/22-maps-that-show-the-deepest-linguistic-conflicts-in-america-2013-6#ok-this-one-is-crazy-everyone-pronounces-pecan-pie-differently-10</a>

## Major U.S. regional dialects

- The North
  - Northern Cities
- □ The East
  - New England
- The South
  - Appalachia
- The Midland
- The West



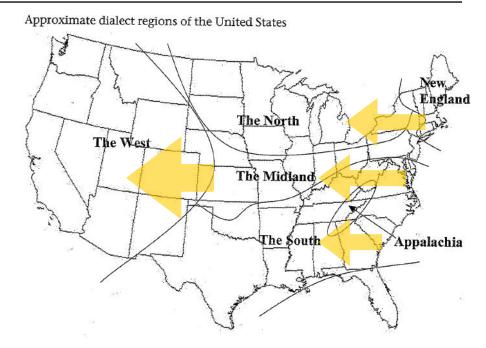
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## Regional U.S. dialects

Regional differences

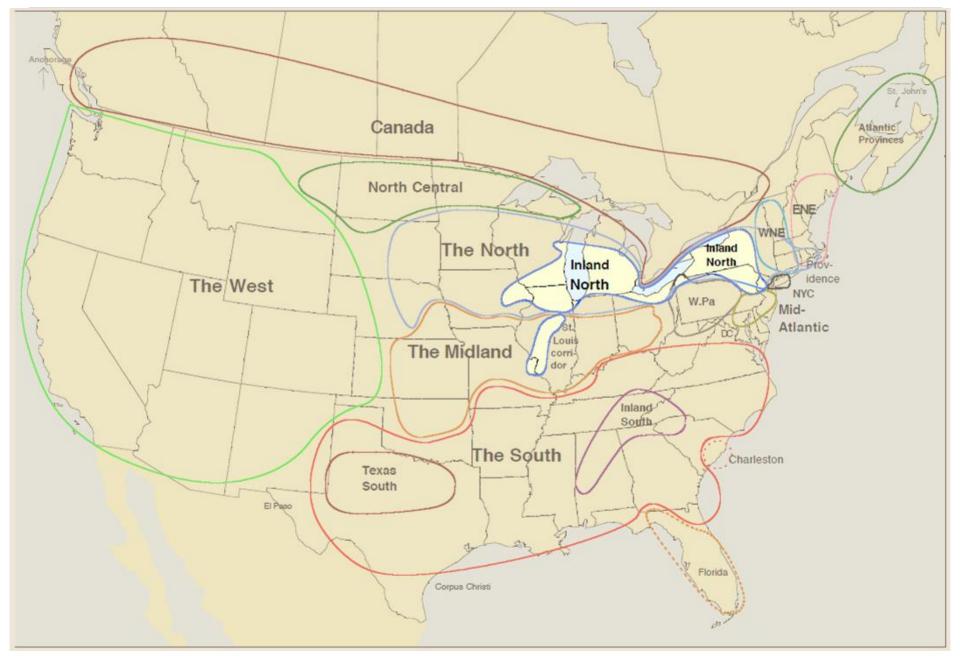
 (along East coast) can
 be traced to dialects of

 British English during settling of America in
 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> c.



Dialect leveling: 'canceling out' of dialect differences due to intermingling (i.e., in West)

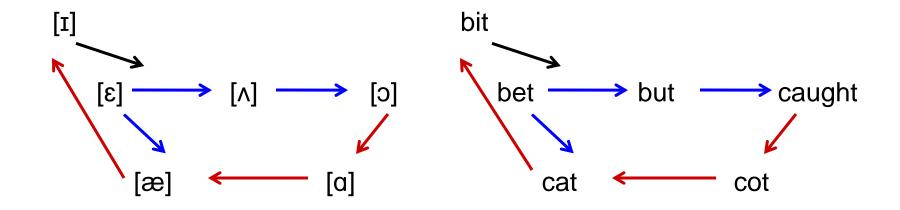




### The North

- Inland North
  - No Low-Back Vowel Merger: /a/ ≠ /ɔ/
    - cot ≠ caught
  - Northern Cities Vowel Shift
    - Started in the cities around the Great Lakes
      - Detroit, Chicago, Buffalo, Cleveland, Rochester...
    - A chain shift involving the lax vowel subsystem

## Northern Cities Shift



Examples (listen and guess the word):

http://www.pbs.org/speak/ahead/change/vowelpower/vowel.html

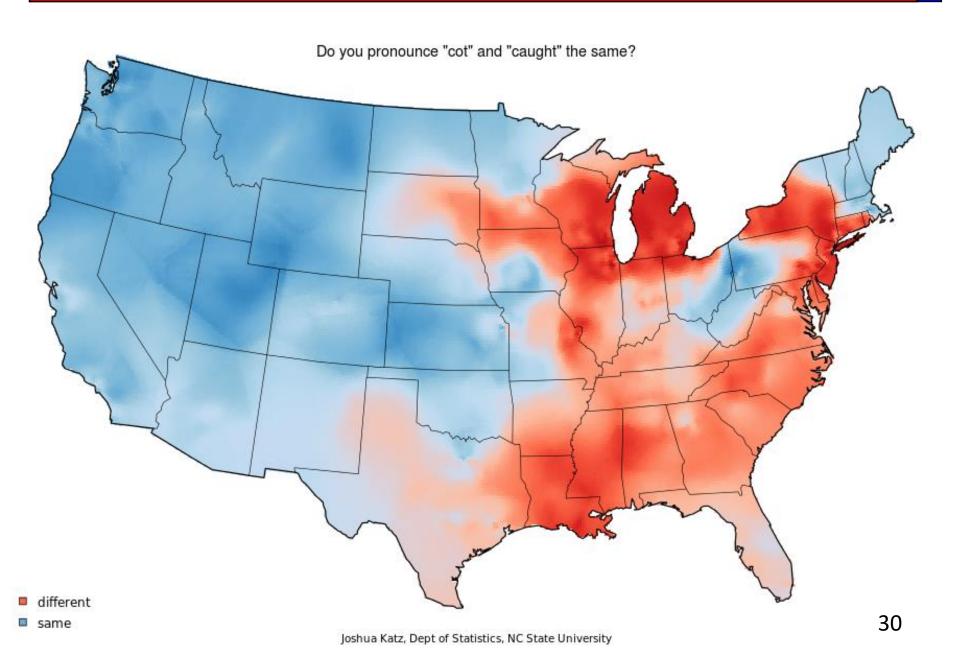
Short video from PBS series "Do You Speak American?" (2.5 min): <a href="http://youtu.be/9UoJ1-ZGb1w">http://youtu.be/9UoJ1-ZGb1w</a>

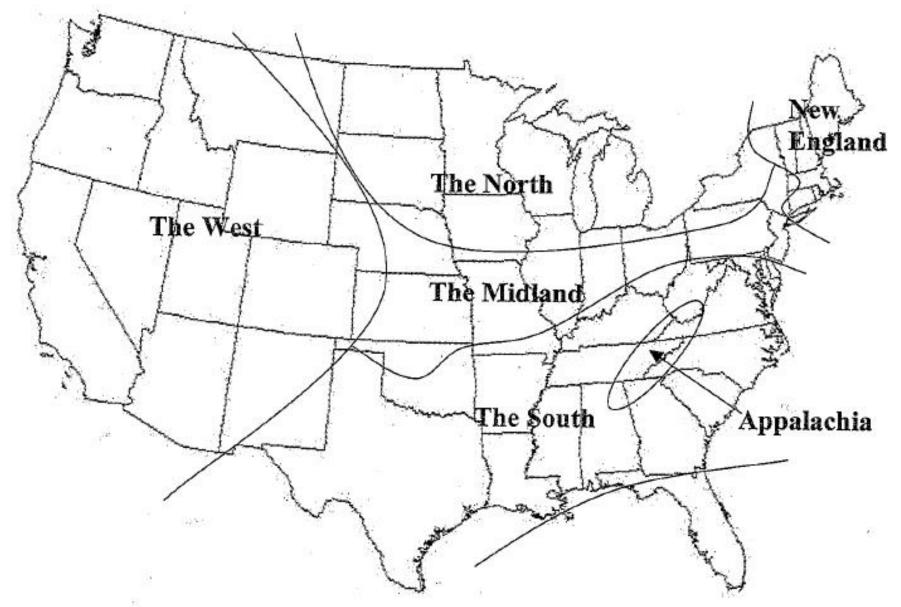
### The East

- □ E. New England (incl. Boston) & NYC
  - /r/-lessness: no [] in coda
    - □ May "compensate" with longer vowel and/or [ə] replacement
    - □ Boston: *car* [ka:], *park* [pa:k], NYC: *beer* [biə], *weird* [wiəd]
  - Mary ≠ merry ≠ marry: [meri, mɛri, mæri]
  - $/\alpha$ -fronting  $\rightarrow$  [a:]
    - □ Combined w//r/-lessness in Boston: [pa:k ðə ka:]
  - Some areas: low-back merger
    - Combined w/ fronting in Boston: [a]
    - □ Closer to [ɔ] in NYC

## The Midland

- Low-back merger
  - cot = caught
- //-vocalization
  - I/ → back, rounded: belt [bεwt], hill [hɪw]
- W. PA ("Pittsburghese")
  - 💶 aʊ-monophthongization: *downtown* → [da:nta:n]
    - https://pittsburghspeech.pitt.edu/PittsburghSpeech\_PgheseOverview.html
    - http://www.pittsburghese.com/





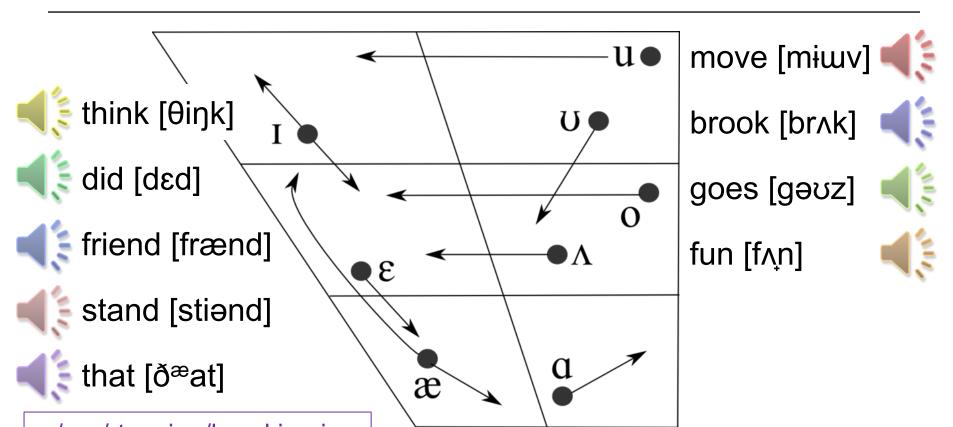
## The West

- □ Low-Back Vowel Merger: /a, ɔ/ → /a/
- High-back fronting and/or unrounding
  - /u/: dude [dud], move [muv]



- /ʊ/: good [gʊ̞d] with a smile!
- $\Box$  /ɪ/  $\rightarrow$  [i] / \_\_\_ŋ: thing [ $\Theta$ iŋ]
- Northwest: Pre-velar raising (bag~beg merger)
  - bang [bεɪŋ] or [beɪŋ], anger, anchor, thanks...
  - bag [bεig] or [beig], tag, lag...
  - beg [beɪg], egg, leg...

## Northern California Shift



/æn/-tensing/breaking is common elsewhere and /æ/-backing is spreading

http://www.stanford.edu/~eckert/vowels.html

# The South, y'all



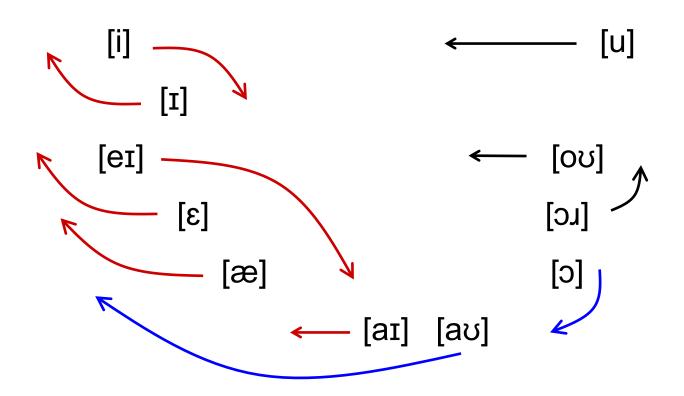
## The South

- □ /aɪ/-Monophthongization
  - five → [fa:v] or [fæ:v]
  - Word-finally and before voiced obstruents
    - (Some areas: also before voiceless obstruents)
- pin~pen merger
  - \_in, \_en both = [in] (a bit lower than "pin")

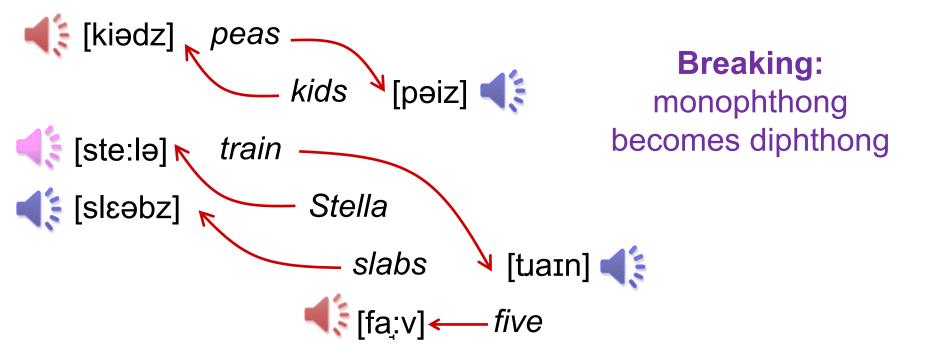


- Some /r/-lessness (mostly older, rural, "core" South)
- 3 Vowel Shifts
  - Southern Vowel Shift
  - □ Back Upglide Shift
  - Back Vowel Fronting

## 3 Southern Shifts

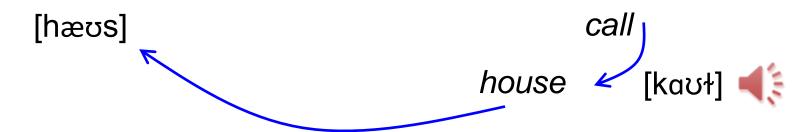


### Southern Shift



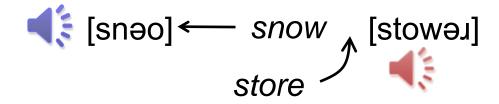
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# Back Upglide Shift



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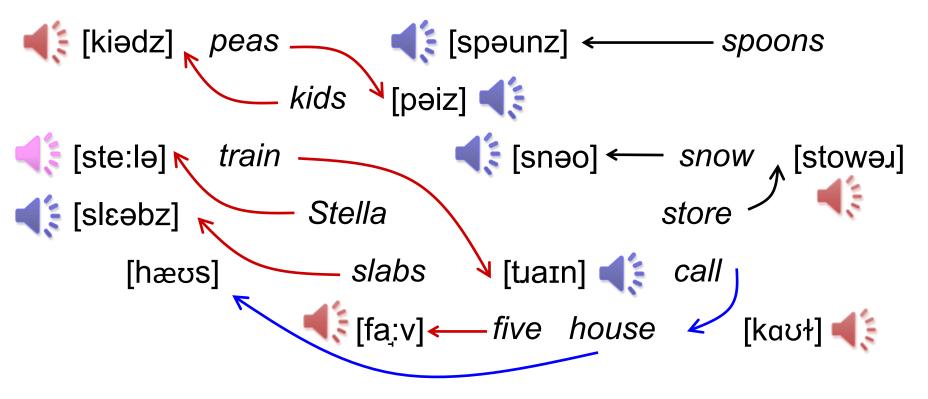
# (Non-Low) Back Vowel Fronting



\* Back vowel fronting *without* breaking is common in the Midland and California

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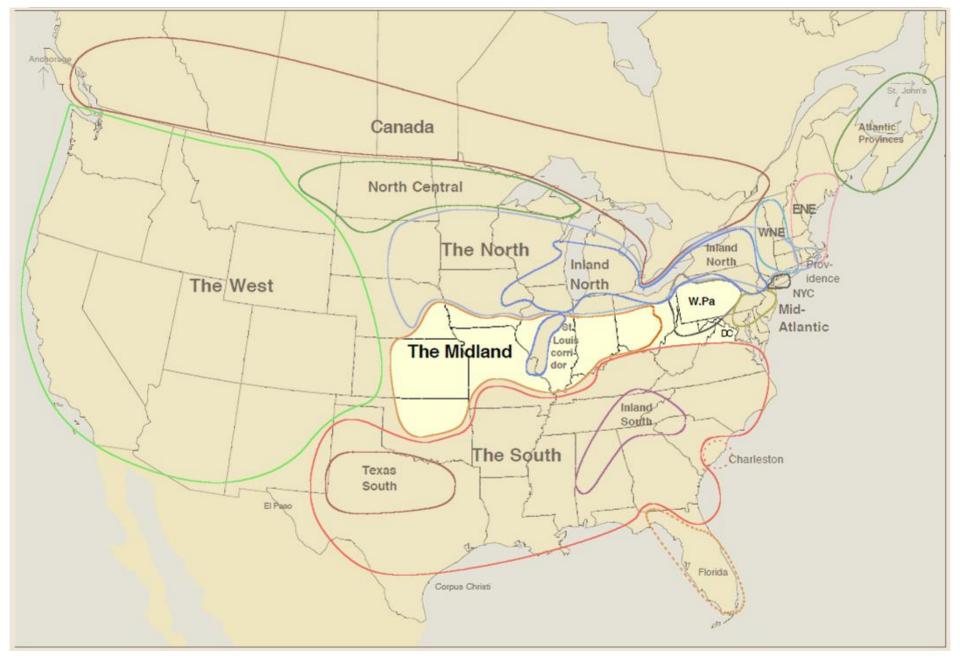
## Southern Vowel Chains



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## **Appalachia**

- Kentucky, Tennessee, West Virginia
- Tensing before fricatives
  - $fish, push \rightarrow [fi], [pu]$
- ☐ Stress shift
  - guítar, pólice, dírectly, cígar, ínsurance



## What about Oklahoma?



## Oklahomans (born after 1955)

# South: retracting (esp. cities, formal, youth)

- ★ /ai/-monophthongization
  √ some: casual speech; rural
- √ pin-pen merger
- /r/-lessness
- ~ Southern Shift:
  - √some /e-ε/ shifting
  - little /i-I/ shifting
- Back Upglide Shift
  - √ some in casual speech
  - not in formal speech
- √back vowel fronting

#### Midland

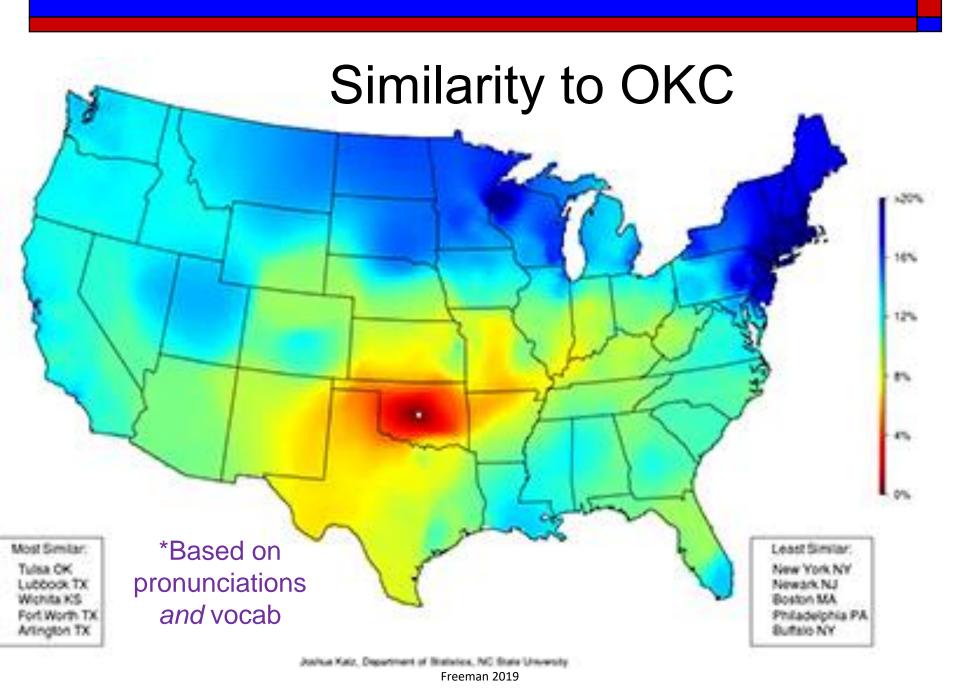
- √ cot-caught merger
- /I/-vocalization

#### West

- √*cot-caught* merger
- √back vowel fronting
- √prenasal /æ/-tensing

Not salient/stigmatized

Sweeping the nation

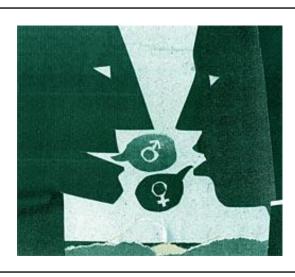


## More fun with regional dialects

- □ Take Vaux's dialect survey:

  <a href="http://www.tekstlab.uio.no/cambridge\_survey/">http://www.tekstlab.uio.no/cambridge\_survey/</a>
- Maps from the Harvard Dialect Survey: <a href="http://www4.uwm.edu/FLL/linguistics/dialect/maps.html">http://www4.uwm.edu/FLL/linguistics/dialect/maps.html</a>
- More Katz heat maps: <a href="https://www.businessinsider.com/22-maps-that-show-the-deepest-linguistic-conflicts-in-america-2013-6#ok-this-one-is-crazy-everyone-pronounces-pecan-pie-differently-10">https://www.businessinsider.com/22-maps-that-show-the-deepest-linguistic-conflicts-in-america-2013-6#ok-this-one-is-crazy-everyone-pronounces-pecan-pie-differently-10</a>
- Telsur project /ANAE (so much data):
  <a href="https://www.ling.upenn.edu/phono">https://www.ling.upenn.edu/phono</a> atlas/home.html
- □ Speech Accent Archive (see "how to" to submit a sample of your voice!): <a href="http://accent.gmu.edu/browse\_maps/namerica.php">http://accent.gmu.edu/browse\_maps/namerica.php</a>
- International Dialects of English Archive:
  <a href="https://www.dialectsarchive.com/">https://www.dialectsarchive.com/</a>

# Social Dialects



- Prestige
- Sociolects
  - Age
  - Gender
  - Social status/class
  - Ethnicity/Ethnolects
    - African AmericanEnglish (AAE)
- Language attitudes

#### Standard vs. Vernacular

- Standard dialect
  - the variety used by political leaders, upper classes, media (people in power)
  - taught/corrected in schools
  - considered the 'prestige' dialect
- Vernacular: non-standard dialect
  - term going out of favor (negative connotations of sub-standard)

## Standard vs. General American

#### Standard American English (SAE)

- Characterized primarily by its grammatical features, rather than its phonological features
  - Which "accents" (phonological features) are considered prestigious can change

FDR:

JFK: ■€ LBJ:

## Standard vs. General American

- General American English (GAE)
  - No noticeable regional features
    - "no accent"
  - American English speakers are unusual in how we determine "accent" prestige:
    - No recognized prestige dialect
    - □ You "sound best" if we can't tell where you're from
      - All regional dialect features are undesirable
      - And non-majority social features (class, ethnicity, gender, age, native language...) but this is common everywhere

## Overt vs. Covert prestige

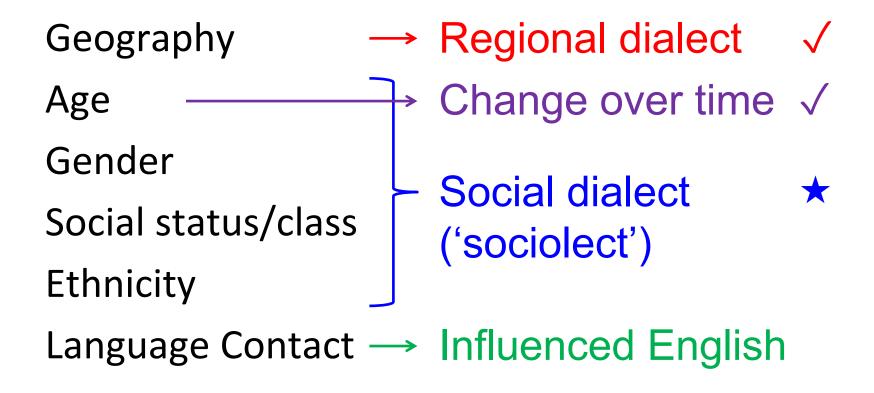
#### Overt prestige:

Attached to a dialect (particularly the standard) by the community at large; defines how people should speak to gain status in that community

#### □ Covert prestige:

 Exists among nonstandard speakers; defines how people should speak to be considered members of that particular group

#### Contributors to dialect variation



## Variation and age

- Apparent-time Hypothesis: Variation that correlates with age is a sign of change in progress
  - The youngest age groups will be most advanced in the change, the oldest groups the most conservative
  - Assumes most aspects of linguistic systems are solidified by adulthood

## Variation and age

- Age-grading: Usage changes throughout people's lifespans
  - Rare, not many examples attested
  - e.g., Teens use high rates of slang, but less when they enter the work force
  - Life stages: Childhood, high school, college, work force, retirement; parenthood...
  - Often working-age group most conservative

## Variation and age

 Attitudes about changes in progress: Associated with the speakers who are first noticed using them

Liz imagines her boss's commentary on her boyfriend's habits

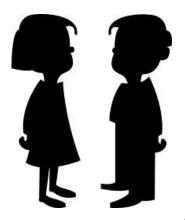
#### Variation and Gender

- □ Biological differences ('sex'): male vs. female
  - Men's voices have lower pitch than women's
- Social differences ('gender'): masculine vs. feminine
  - Women tend to raise (and men tend to lower) the pitch of their voices more than what biology dictates

## Variation and Gender

- Women/girls use 'standard' forms more than men/boys (e.g., running vs. runnin')
  - Regardless of age, region, ethnicity, or class
  - Women over-report use of standard, while men under-report it

(i.e., 'overt' vs. 'covert' prestige)



## Variation and Gender

Link between social/cultural norms for speech and gender is arbitrary.

E.g., Malagasy culture: Indirect speech valued Western culture: Direct speech valued

→ In both cases, it is the male norms that are more highly valued

#### Variation and Socioeconomic class

#### William Labov

- New York City 'r'-lessness
- Studied variation in [J] pronunciation as it relates to socioeconomic class

## Dept Store study - Method

- Interviewed salespeople at
  - Saks 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, (upper class)
  - Macy's (middle class)
  - S. Klein (lower class)
- Asked:
  - "Excuse me, where are the \_\_\_\_?"
  - "Fourth floor." (casual speech)
  - "Excuse me?"
  - "Fourth floor." (careful speech with emphasis)







## Dept Store study - Results

	Klein	Macy's	Saks
Casual	8%	44%	63%
Careful	18%	61%	64%

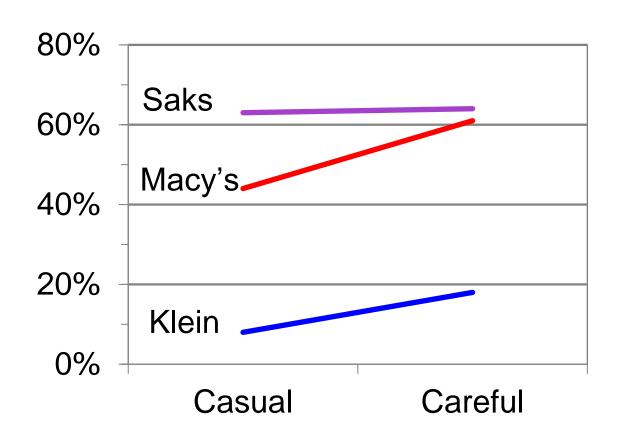
Percentage of [J]'s produced

Pronunciation of [J] increased...

...w/ level of socio-economic class

...w/ attention level paid to speech

# Dept Store study - Results



Percentage of [J]'s produced

## Dept Store study - Conclusions

- Pronunciation of [J] is correlated with socioeconomic class
  - In this case, with the class of the shoppers, i.e. the speakers' audience, not necessarily their own wealth
- Considerable intra-speaker variation
- □ Variation most prominent among lower classes (low: +10%; mid: +17%; high: +1%)

Overt vs. covert prestige

## Variation and Ethnicity: Ethnolects

- Ethnolect: Dialect used by an ethnic group
- African-American English (AAE): A continuum of speech varieties spoken primarily among African-Americans
  - Not all African-Americans speak AAE
  - Not only African-Americans speak AAE
  - Varieties also differ by other social factors (region, age, gender, class...)

## Where did AAE come from?

- Anglican Hypothesis: slaves learned the varieties of English-speakers around them
- Creolist Hypothesis: AAE = combination of English and African languages
- Either way, Africans and their descendants have been socially separated from Anglo-Americans, leading to different patterns of language change over time
  - Newer term: African American Language (AAL)

## AAE/AAL

#### African-American English/Language (AAE/AAL)

MYTH: AAE is ungrammatical, illogical, broken English, bad English, or slang

**FACT**: AAE is as rule-governed, systematic, and grammatical as any language variety

□ Some AAE rules that differ from SAE/GAE...

# Structure of AAE (syntax examples)

#### 1. Multiple negation

AAE: He don' know nothin'.

Spanish: Él <u>no</u> sabe <u>nada</u>. (He not know nothing)



Middle English:

"He <u>never</u> yet <u>no</u> villainy <u>not</u> said In all his life to <u>no</u> kind of creature."

(Chaucer, 1400)

# Structure of AAE (syntax examples)

2. Deletion of copula 'to be'

AAE: He \_\_ my brother.

Russian: Он мой брат.

 [on mɔɪ brat]
 (He my brother)



- $\rightarrow$  Does not apply to 1<sup>st</sup> person sg. (\*/\_\_ a teacher.)
- → Does not apply at the end of a phrase (\*I don' know who he \_\_\_.)

# Structure of AAE (syntax examples)

3. Absence of 3<sup>rd</sup> person sg. –*s* 

AAE: He eat\_ five times a day.

you eat
he/she eat\_
they eat



## **AAE Vowel Phonology**

- Vowel features ~ Southern:
  - /r/-lessness
  - pin/pen merger
  - /aɪ/-monophthongization

## **AAE Consonant Phonology**

#### Syllable structure

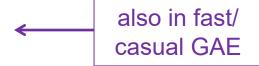
- Word-final stop deletion
  - □ "would, shit" [wʊ, ʃiə]
- Coda cluster reduction
  - □ "self, desk, kids, most" [sɛf, dɛs, kɪz, moʊs]
- Weak syllable deletion
  - □ "because, about" [kʌz, baʊt]
- Word-final nasal assimilation/deletion
  - □ "pin" [pĩ]

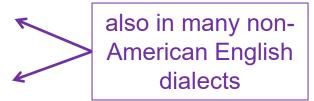
also in fast/casual GAE

origin of French nasal vowels

## **AAE Consonant Phonology**

- Substitutions & assimilations
  - Stopping before nasals
    - "wasn't" [wʌdnt]
  - Interdental stopping
    - "this, that" [dis, dæt]
  - Interdental fronting
    - "with, brother" [wif, br∧væ]
  - /I/-vocalization
    - □ "bell" [bεʊ]
  - Final stop devoicing
    - "bad" [bæ:t]





also in Midland



#### **Attitudes**

- Language attitudes: Attitudes (impressions, opinions, etc.) about a language variety
  - Based on attitudes about the group of people who use the language variety

What are our attitudes about regional dialects in the U.S.? ...

Circle places where people talk differently.

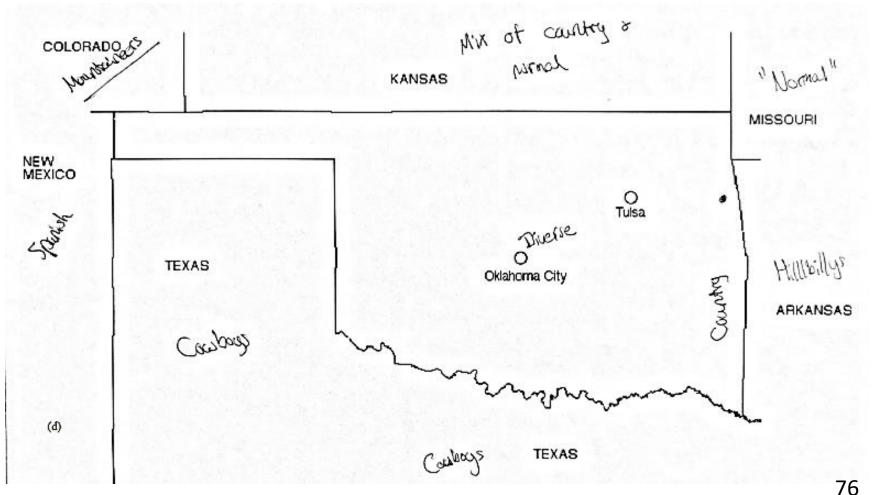
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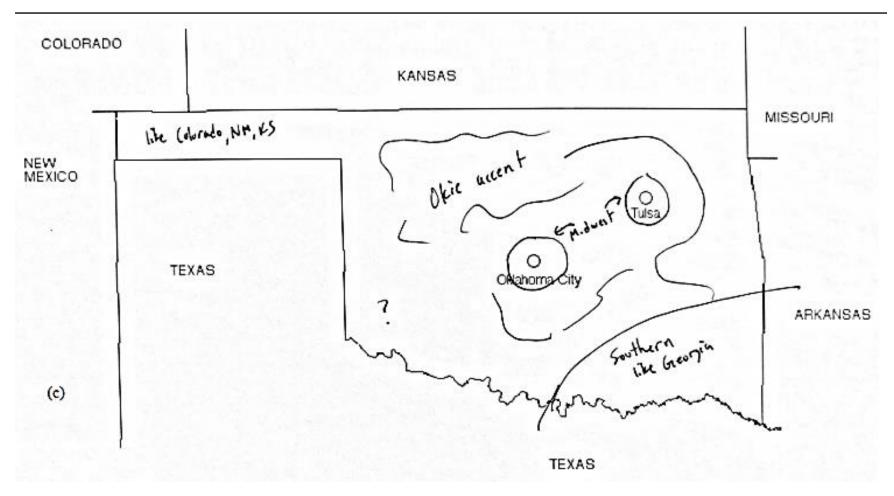
## **Attitudes**



## Oklahoma Attitudes



## Oklahoma Attitudes



## **Imitation**

Attitudes often surface (overtly or covertly)
 when imitating other dialects



## **Imitation**

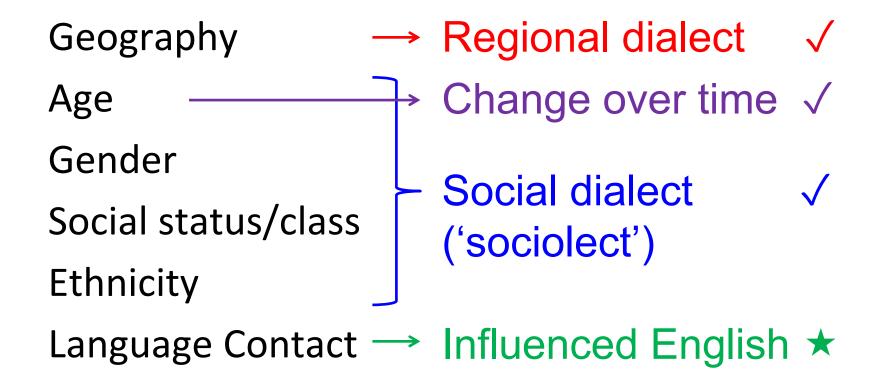
- □ Rarely accurate/consistent: pick a few:
  - Words/phrases: "y'all, I do declare! I reckon... sugar"
  - Phonological: /ai/-monophthongization, r-lessness...
  - Voice quality (harsh male, breathy female)
- Imitations often rely on stereotypes/caricatures
  - What sort of TV/movie character might Oscar be imitating when talking about being out of money?
  - (Think of factors that contribute to variation: age, ethnicity, gender, social status/class, occupation, age/time, etc.)

# **Contact Influences**



- 1. Language Contact
  - Bi/multilingualism
- 2. ELL/Influenced English
  - Spanish-influenced English
  - East Asian influences
  - Indian English
  - Where to learn more

### Contributors to dialect variation



## Language Contact

- □ Language contact: speakers of different languages communicate → languages influence each other
  - Borrowings (words)
  - Bi/multilingualism: speaker/community fluency
  - Pidgin: simplified combination of grammar, vocab of languages thrust into contact; used for trade
  - Creole: fully grammatical language formed by children of pidgin speakers
    - Often use simplified grammar of one language but vocab from a more socially dominate/powerful language

# Societal multilingualism

- Whole communities share 2+ languages and use them in everyday life
  - Regional/tribal languages
  - Wider-use languages for trade, government, etc.
  - Languages used in education, religion, etc.
  - Immigrant/minority languages



## Societal multilingualism

### □ Code-switching:

The use of 2+ languages/dialects within an utterance/conversation

#### Diglossia:

- Different languages/dialects are used for different functions:
  - Spoken vs. written (e.g. Arabic)
  - Conversation/home vs. school/work/government
  - Informal vs. formal situations

# "Spanglish" (Code-switching)



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"¿Qué pasó tía?"
What happened, girl?
"I went to the store to buy those zapatos that I liked, pero estaban gone."
                                   shoes
                                                     but they-were
"Los shoes amarillos?"
          vellow
The
"Sí, estaban todos sold out. And I even hided 'em too."
Yeah, they-were all
"¡Tira la basura, cabrón!"
Take-out the trash, jerk!
"I am! For God's sakes, déjame en paz. Cripes."
                      leave-me in peace
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# **USA: Societal Monolingualism?**

- The U.S. is in the minority of countries in having a majority of monolingual residents
  - Why are Americans monolingual?
  - Why are some Americans resistant to bilingual education? (using multiple languages in public schools)
  - What are some attitudes about bilinguals, immigrants, and non-native English speakers?

# USA: Societal Monolingualism?



### ELL

- □ English Language Learner (ELL): learning English as a second (or 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> ...) language
  - Similar term to ESL (English as a Second Language)
- Over 60 million people in the US use a language other than English in the home
  - Spanish (from variety of dialect regions)
  - Chinese & other Asian languages
  - Many others

## Accents & Transfer

- □ Language transfer: influence of a native language (L1) on learning a new language (L2)
- Accents: result of phonological mismatches between L1 and L2
  - Phonemes
  - Phonotactics (syllable structure)
  - Prosody

## Accent vs. Disorder

- Accents are NOT disordered
  - Accent Modification is elective, not treatment
- SLPs must take clients' L1s into account when assessing speech/language disorders
  - Disentangle L1 influences from disordered patterns

# Influenced English

- Influenced English: variety spoken by a social or ethnic group with current or past use of another L1
  - ELL, bilingual, or Heritage Speakers: grand/children of L1 speakers who did not learn the language as an L1
    - Heritage speakers may not be bilingual, but their English is influenced by community bilingualism

# Spanish-Influenced English

- □ Spanish ≠ English
  - Cons. phonemes /x n λ r r/ (voiceless velar fricative, palatal nasal & lateral, alveolar tap & trill)
  - Allophones: fricative [β ð ɣ] for /b d g/, stop [ɟ] for /j/
  - Dentals /t d n/, fully-voiced /b d g/, unaspirated /p t k/, monophthongal /e o/
  - Diphthongs /eu, ja je jo, wa we wi wo/
  - Syllables approx. same length
    - Stress doesn't lengthen

# Spanish-Influenced English

- □ English ≠ Spanish
  - Cons. phonemes /ŋ v ð z ∫ ʒ dʒ h ɹ/, /θ/ in Latin Am.
    - Substitutions [n; f b β; d; s; t]; x; r; t s/
  - Allophones [p<sup>h</sup> t<sup>h</sup> k<sup>h</sup>], [? r] for /t d/
  - Vowel phonemes /I ε æ ʊ ɔ ʌ/
    - □ Substitutions w/ nearest Spanish vowel /a e i o u/
  - Phonotactics: Many consonant clusters
    - □ /s/+consonant onsets  $\rightarrow$  / $\epsilon$ / before /s/: [ $\epsilon$ spanis,  $\epsilon$ skul]
    - Coda cluster reduction
  - Unpredictable lexical stress rules

## East Asian Influences

- English has many consonants and vowels that many other languages do not have
  - Uncommon: /v θ ð ∫ ʒ dʒ ɹ/ & /ɪ ε æ ʊ ɔ ʌ/
    - Also less common: /f z b d g/
      - If has voiced stops, they're fully voiced (negative VOT)
    - □ Some Asian languages have one liquid phoneme: just
       /I/ or both [I ] as allophones → confusion w/ English
    - Some SE Asian languages: [I] is allophone of [n]
  - substitutions w/ nearby L1 phoneme

## East Asian Influences: Substitutions

Intended Phoneme		Observed Phoneme						
		Cantonese	Vietnamese	Korean	Japanese	Filipino		
Fricatives	θ	s, t, f	s, t	t	t, s, z	t, s		
	ð	d, z	d, z	d	d, z, θ, t, s	d		
	l	s	s	s	s, tʃ, t	s, ts		
	3		z, dʒ	z	dʒ	s, ds		
	f		р	р	h	р		
	V	f, w	j, b, p	p, b	b, f, w	b		
	s		ſ	ſ	ſ			
	z	s	s, ſ	s, ts, dz	dz, dʒ, s, ts	<b>s</b> 96		

Intended Phoneme		Observed Phoneme						
		Cantonese	Vietnamese	Korean	Japanese	Filipino		
Affricates	tſ		s, ʃ	t		t, s, ts		
	dʒ		z, ʒ, d	tſ	3	ds		
Stops	р	p	p  , p  , b, f	р, b		p=		
	t	ť	ᠯ, t⁼	ī, d	tſ	t=		
	k	ĸ	k̄, k⁼	к, g		k=		
	b	p	р		р			
	d	ť	t		dʒ, t			
	g	ĸ	k					
Liquids	r	I		I	1			
	1	n	n	r	r	97		

# Indian English

- Past influences from British English
  - Received Pronunciation (RP): past prestige standard, used in schools in UK and former colonies (seen today as snobby)
- Now
  - Influences from American English
  - Common L2 for speakers of many different L1s
     Indian English = dialect(s) of English, not just "accented"

# Indian English

- Example substitutions, transfer influences
  - Mismatches in alveolar, dental, retroflex stops; between sibilants
    - Different phoneme/allophone categories
  - /w ບ v/ for /v/ or /w/
    - Allophones of one phoneme
  - Stopping of /f v θ ð/ to [p b t d]
    - Don't exist in Indian languages

# Indian English

- Consonant cluster simplification or epenthetic vowels
- English prosody is challenging (much different from L1s)
  - Rising/falling intonation mismatches
  - Word, sentence stress: different locations

## Where to learn more?

- What if you have a client with an L1 or English dialect you don't know much about?
  - Journal of the IPA "Illustrations of the IPA" w/ audio: https://www.internationalphoneticassociation.org/content/journal-ipa
  - Handbook of the IPA free w/ audio: <a href="https://www.internationalphoneticassociation.org/content/ipa-handbook-downloads">https://www.internationalphoneticassociation.org/content/ipa-handbook-downloads</a>
  - Internet search for [language] + "phonology"
    - Wikipedia (note: quality/thoroughness varies)
- Compare phoneme inventories, allophonic rules, phonotactics, prosody... & predict difficulties