The Thirty-First Manchester Phonology Meeting



PROGRAMME

Thursday 29th - Saturday 31st May 2025

Held at

The Core Technology Facility, Manchester

Organised by a collaboration of phonologists at the **University of Edinburgh**, the **University of Manchester**, and elsewhere.

Welcome to the 31mfm

This booklet contains (i) details about the rooms that we'll be using at the University of Manchester's 'Core Technology Facility' (the 'CTF'), some information about things at and near the CTF and some further information which may be useful to you (on this page), (ii) the conference programme (pages 2-7), and (iii) a map to help you find the venues that we'll be going to on Thursday and Friday, and also to find some pubs where people often meet after the papers have finished (page 8). Other information (about getting to Manchester and the CTF, numbers for handouts, information on projecting *etc*) is available on the conference website (http://www.lel.ed.ac.uk/mfm/31mfm.html).

Conference sessions

The **talks** will take place in either the **Dalton Room** or the **Innovation Suite** at the CTF. The rooms for each session are marked in the programme on pages 2-7 of this booklet. The **poster sessions** will be in an area called **The Street**. There will be signs to all the rooms and areas at the CTF.

Food + coffee/tea

The midday meals and the morning and afternoon breaks (with refreshments) will be in the area called **The Street** at the CTF. This is also where the posters sessions will be. The evening meals are in venues in the city centre – directions to these are given on page 8 of this booklet.

Shops + pubs

There are lots of shops on Oxford Road (which you will probably go up in order to get to the CTF), including a Morrisons and a Sainsbury's supermarket, and coffee shops, and there are ATMs there, too (you should be able to use most, probably all, cards, including non-UK ones, in these machines). Many places expect payment by card now (it is normally, but not always, still possible to pay with cash). At the end of the day in previous mfms, people have tended to congregate in a pub. We have nominated the *Turing Tap* (https://www.craftunionpubs.com/turing-tap-manchester) as the main 31mfm conference pub; this is about two minutes' walk from the CTF, on Oxford Road. There are naturally lots of other pubs and bars in central Manchester – just head north into the centre. We have also nominated the *Lass O'Gowrie* pub (https://www.greeneking.co.uk/pubs/greater-manchester/lass-o-gowrie) as the 'city centre' conference pub, where people can congregate in town (if they like). UK pub etiquette is that you order at the bar and pay when you get the drinks, and it is *not* normal to tip the bar staff – they may be quite surprised if you do (it's normal to give a tip of around 10% at restaurants and cafes with table service, though).

Printing + copying

It is not possible to photocopy or print at the CTF itself, but there are a number of options to print posters or photocopy material in Manchester near the CTF. MuPrint (about 15 minutes' walk from the CTF, towards the city centre: https://www.muprint.com) has been recommended. We advise you to check with them in advance if you are planning to use them. It is possible in principle to email or upload a file to MuPrint, so you may be able to arrange to have material ready and waiting for you.

Wifi

If you have access to eduroam, you will likely be able to use that at the CTF. If not, you should be able to use the CTF wifi system (the network for that is **Conferences & Venues CTF** and the password is **Manchester1824**).

Pre-conference event

There will be a 'fringe' workshop (see: https://mfm2025fringe.sciencesconf.org/?lang=en) on **Wednesday 28th May**, from 1.30pm. This is organised independently from the mfm proper (contact its organisers if you have any queries). It will be held in Manchester University's Samuel Alexander building, room A101.

31mfm Programme

Oral papers: 30 mins – time allocation: 20/25 mins for talk, 10/5 mins for questions (speaker chooses).

Thursday 29th May

Registration will begin at 12.30 at the 'Core Technology Facility' (follow the signs)

1.00 - 1.15 DALTON ROOM: Opening Address and Welcome
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	DALTON ROOM Chair: Ricardo Bermúdez-Otero	INNOVATION SUITE Chair: Patrycja Strycharczuk
1.15 - 1.45	Themelessness in Spanish: a wug test Francesc Torres-Tamarit & Violeta Martínez-Paricio	An autosegmental account of initial consonant mutation in Irish: evidence from preverbal d' Anna Laoide-Kemp
1.45 - 2.15	A lexical competition approach for modeling homophony avoidance Sora Heng Yin & Adam J. Chong	Restructuring of composite underlying forms in Maga Rukai Jennifer Kuo
2.15 - 2.45	Towards a typology of handshapes across different types of sign language systems Aritz Irurtzun, Niki Aristidou, Andrew Nevins, Giorgia Miotti, Jana Hosemann & Carlo Geraci	A subregular hypothesis for birdsong phonology Benjamin Flickstein & Ezer Rasin

2.45 - 3.15 TEA, COFFEE and BISCUITS

3.15 - 4.15	THE STREET	
	Poster session 1	See page 5 for details

	DALTON ROOM Chair: Martin Krämer	INNOVATION SUITE Chair: Heather Newell
4.15 - 4.45	Loosing strength at each optimization: sinterstratal differences in Kashaya Eva Zimmermann	A simple modular approach to environmental shielding Daniel Currie Hall
4.45 - 5.15	Stratal OT and Scottish Gaelic initial mutation/prothesis Donald Alasdair Morrison	Sampang verb-stem alternations without morphophonology J. Joseph Perry & Shanti Ulfsbjorninn
5.15 - 5.45	Do we need AGREE? Evidence for feature agreement and sharing from Secwepemctsín (Salish) retraction and reduplication Julia Schillo & Gloria Mellesmoen	Typology and learnability of tone spreading Kwong Ken Wing Hang & Lai Yee King Regine

7.30 onwards: EVENING MEAL

At the *Tai Wu* restaurant (https://www.taiwu.co.uk/), near the CTF Included in the price is a full Chinese meal, but you'll have to pay for your own drinks at the restaurant.

Friday 30th May

	DALTON ROOM Chair: Nancy Kula	INNOVATION SUITE Chair: Bartłomiej Czaplicki
9.00 - 9.30	French du and au ain't portmanteaux Heather Newell, Máire Noonan & Tom Leu	Preaccentuation across languages: a unified representational account Razieh Shojaei
9.30 - 10.00	Dependency-based strength asymmetries in single- element consonants Hitomi Onuma & Kuniya Nasukawa	Eastern Andalusian Spanish laxing harmony and vowel- final oxytones Stuart Davis, Nicholas Henriksen & Matthew Pollock
10.00 - 10.30	A single-step derivation of 'soft' and 'hard' outputs of Polish palatalizations Sławomir Zdziebko	OCP-place beyond phonotactics: sandhi place restrictions in Croatian Aljoša Milenković
10.30 - 11.00	Triradicalism can imply tricononantism but does not need to: glides in Semitic Dominique Bobeck	Word-final consonants in Italo-Romance Martin Krämer

11.00 - 11.30 TEA, COFFEE and BISCUITS

11.30 - 12.30	THE STREET	
	Poster session 2	See page 6 for details

12.30 - 1.30 MIDDAY MEAL

DALTON ROOM	Special Session: 'Prosodic Morphology and Templatic Phonology' [the timings are vague – it will last from 1.30 till we are done, with a break]	
1.30 - 2.15	Suzanne Urbanczyk Where is reduplication headed?	
2.15 - 3.00	Noam Faust Let templates surprise you	

3.00 - 3.30 TEA, COFFEE and BISCUITS

3.30 - 4.15	Laura Kalin On infixes and infixation: Beyond prosodic morphology
4.15 - 5.15	Questions and open discussion

5.15	DALTON ROOM mfm chat: future special sessions	
	Come along with ideas for possible future special sessions, ready to talk to other people about them	

7.30 onwards: EVENING MEAL

At the Zouk restaurant (http://zoukteabar.co.uk), in the city centre.

Included in the price is a full Indian meal, but you'll have to pay for your own drinks at the restaurant.

Saturday 31st May

	DALTON ROOM Chair: Pavel Iosad	INNOVATION SUITE Chair: Björn Köhnlein
9.30 - 10.00	The role of lexical conservatism in the selection of allomorphs Bartłomiej Czaplicki	Understanding why there are no nasality-tone interactions Nancy C. Kula
10.00 - 10.30	Paraguayan Guarani progressive nasalization as phonologically conditioned allomorphy Marisabel Cabrera	Scalar tone shift as downstep: a reanalysis of Guébie Jian Cui & Nicholas Rolle
10.30 - 11.00	Opacity without underlying representations: empty morphs, neutralisation and paradigm predictability in Wubuy Peter Nyhuis	Differential role of F0 and transitional probability for word segmentation Farhat Jabeen & Theresa Matzinger

11.00 - 11.30 TEA, COFFEE and BISCUITS

11.30 - 12.30	THE STREET Poster session 3	See page 7 for details
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12.30 - 1.30 MIDDAY MEAL

	DALTON ROOM Chair: Katalin Balogné Bérces	INNOVATION SUITE Chair: Nabila Louriz
1.30 - 2.00	Rhotic variation in Lancashire: gradience and categority in /r/-loss strategies Danielle Turton & Robert Lennon	Variation and breakdown in the saltatory interaction of Rendaku and velar nasalization Canaan Breiss, Hironori Katsuda & Shigeto Kawahara
2.00 - 2.30	Exploring the roles of morphology and analogy in English stress assignment Quentin Dabouis, Marie Gabillet, Sabine Arndt- Lappe & Aaron Seiler	Through dick & dünn: cognates and the legacy of diachronic change in synchronic processing Joshua Booth, Felicia Stich, Isabella Fritz & Aditi Lahiri
2.30 - 3.00	How language-specific perceptual cues can explain differences in onset clusters: the case of plosive-liquid onsets in Polish and English Silke Hamann	Vowels can be shorter before voiced than before voiceless consonants: reversed durations in two varieties of German Björn Köhnlein, Phuong Dang & Tianyi Ni

3.00 - 3.30 TEA, COFFEE and BISCUITS

	DALTON ROOM Chair: Silke Hamann	Innovation Suite Chair: Kuniya Nasukawa
3.30 - 4.00	Cinderella syncope: stratal structure and the life cycle in centuries of Latin vowel deletion Ranjan Sen	Neutralisation as integration: The case of Korean Markus Pöchtrager
4.00 - 4.30	Microvariation in Turkic laryngeal systems: synchrony and diachrony Deepthi Gopal, Stephen Nichols, Pavel losad & László Károly	[talk cancelled]

4.30	Dalton Room: Close and Farewell

Poster session 1 — Thursday 29th May, 3.15 - 4.15

Please aim to put up posters once you have arrived (before the mfm starts at 1pm) or during the tea/coffee break before the session, and please take down posters afterwards.

Tracing the origin and spread of NG-coalescence in English Donka Minkova & Jian-Leat Siah
Is 'phonetic erosion' a phonological concept? Fae Hicks
Slovenian inflectional stress without accented inflectional suffixes Guy Tabachnick & Marko Simonović
The prosodic conditioning of glottalization in British English Hamza Khwaja, Bert Botma, Joseph Smith & Janet Grijzenhout
Root-&-pattern morphology and consonant mutation: are they really two phenomena? Jack Pruett
Sonority alignment Jochen Trommer
Correlations of prevocalic VOT and preconsonantal vowel duration: evidence from New Zealand English Katalin Balogné Bérces & Erika Sajtós
Sound change in a substance-free framework Mark Hale & Madelyn Kissock
The formal typology of A and vowel length: melody-to-structure licensing constraints Mohamed Lahrouchi & Shanti Ulfsbjorninn
Gradual syllabification obviates gradual deletion Ruby Noble & Andrew Lamont
Paamese-type arbitrary-sized stress windows are theoretically learnable (if you are very patient) Ryan Sandell
Nasal place assimilation in the German negative prefixes in- and un- Tina Bögel

Poster session 2 — Friday 30th May, 11.30 - 12.30

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Coronal palatalization gets [ʃtʃɹ]onger: the case of s-retraction and coronal affrication in contemporary English
Artur Kijak
Phonological realization of segmental length in Odia and Bangla Anusuya Nayak & Paroma Sanyal
The phonological lifecycle's morpho-phonological applications Brandon Kieffer
Tonic vs. templatic lengthening in Italian and Italo-Romance Diana Passino
An autosegmental approach to Nanga verb stems Fabian Zuk
The role of contrastiveness: stress effects on derived 'VOT' in Sevillian Spanish Madeline Gilbert
Templates vs faithfulness in denominal loanverbs Nabila Louriz
Prefix coherence and consonant strength in Blackfoot Natalie Weber
Asymmetry of onset vs coda cluster complexity in variable adaptation of loanwords Sehrish Shafi & Sam Hellmuth
Can a phonetically-blind machine learn sublexical groups like us? Stanley Nam
Positional effects in Kannada past formations: a Government Phonology account Therese Liam Tom
Anticipatory labialization - phonetic or phonological? Veno Volenec

Poster session 3 — Saturday 31st May, 11.30 - 12.30

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An extrasyllabic account of North Sámi triple gemination Christopher Geissler & Emily Posson
Phonology drives asymmetries in the auditory processing of affixed words Hilary Wynne & Aditi Lahiri
Does low functional load facilitate merger in a less dominant language? Evidence from Cantonese vowel mergers in Cantonese-English bilingual communities Holman Tse
A reanalysis of syllabic and rhythmic gradation in Nganasan as a single consonant gradation process Juan D. Cancel
We don't need no A rboration – pruning GP2.0 Julian Bradfield
Heterosyllabic Cj syllabification and fortition in Corsican and Romance Michela Russo
Positional variability of velars in early-onset L1 Moroccan Arabic dysphasic production: an Optimality-theoretic account Ranya Erramh
Counterbleeding as shared activity: overapplication in Gua vowel harmony Sören E. Tebay
Too strong, too weak, or just right: gradiently active tones and tonal fusion in Ayutla Mixtec Thom van Hugte
Near-mergers in Beijing retroflex suffixation Yutong Wang, Mitko Sabev & Brechtje Post

Pubs and restaurants

