# L1 phonetic drift during adult L2 acquisition

Speech rate analysis

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### Overview

A common finding in the second language (L2) speech literature is that adults who learn another language typically retain a non-native accent in the target language (TL). L1 to L2 cross-linguistic influence is attested to some degree in learners of all languages at all proficiency levels, showing that learners tend to produce L2 sounds through the filter of their L1. With time and effort, L2 learners develop TL-specific phonetic categories. Recent research suggests that the cross-linguistic influence that occurs in bilingual speech may be bidirectional, that is to say, L2 phonetic category formation may have behavioral consequences for L1 categories. This project explores the production of native English speaking adult L2 learners of Spanish. Specifically, it tracks the phonological acquisition of stop contrasts over the course of a domestic immersion program in order to shed light on how L2 phonological acquisition affects L1 phonology.

#### The problem

- Learning to produce and perceive L2 sounds is hard
- During early stages of learning we produce target language sounds using L1 phonology

#### Theoretical issues

Opposing viewpoints:

- Speech Learning Model (SLM-r: Flege and Bohn (2021))
  - L1 and L2 phonetic categories share the same phonetic space
  - Bidirectional influence, i.e., learning L2 sounds can affect L1 sounds

- Second Language Linguistic Perception Model (L2LP: Van Leussen and Escudero (2015))
  - During early stages of learning L1 phonological system is copied
  - L2 sounds develop independently of L1 system
- As predicted by the SLM-r, there is growing evidence that **phonetic drift** (PD) occurs during L2 learning (See Chang 2012, 2013; Lang and Davidson 2019; Tobin, Nam, and Fowler 2017)
- $\bullet$  PD refers to changes in L1 (native) categories that take place during the process of learning novel sounds in an L2 .
- The SLM predicts phonetic drift, the L2LP suggests it should not occur

## Data prep

### Load libraries and helper functions

```
source(here::here("scripts", "r", "01_helpers.R"))

theme_set(
    theme_bw(base_size = 12, base_family = "Palatino") +
    theme(
    axis.title.y = element_text(size = rel(0.9), hjust = 0.95),
    axis.title.x = element_text(size = rel(0.9), hjust = 0.95),
    panel.grid.major = element_line(colour = "grey90", linewidth = 0.15),
    panel.grid.minor = element_line(colour = "grey90", linewidth = 0.15),
    strip.background = element_blank()
    )
)
```

#### Load data

```
spr_en <- read_csv(here("data", "raw", "speech_rate_en.csv"))
spr_sp <- read_csv(here("data", "raw", "speech_rate_sp.csv"))</pre>
```

### Tidy data

```
dat <- bind rows(</pre>
  spr_en |>
   clean_names() |>
    separate(col = soundname, into = c("id", "language"), sep = "_") |>
    separate(col = id, into = c("id", "year"), sep = -4) |>
    separate(col = id, into = c("id", "phase"), sep = "[0-9](?=p)") |>
   mutate(language = "English"),
  spr_sp |>
   clean_names() |>
    separate(col = soundname, into = c("id", "phase"), sep = 6) |>
    separate(
     col = phase,
     into = c("phase", "year"),
      sep = "(? <= [a-zA-Z]) \setminus s*(? = [0-9])"
    ) |>
   mutate(language = "Spanish") |>
   select(id, phase, year, language, everything())
) |>
 rename(
   n syllables = nsyll,
   n_pauses = npause,
   recording_duration = dur_s,
   phonation_time = phonationtime_s,
   sr = speechrate_nsyll_dur,
   ar = articulation_rate_nsyll_phonationtime,
    asd = asd_speakingtime_nsyll
  ) |>
 pivot_longer(
   cols = n_syllables:asd,
   names_to = "metric",
   values_to = "val"
  ) |>
  mutate(
   phase = fct_relevel(phase, "pre"),
   metric = fct relevel(metric,
   "n_syllables", "n_pauses", "recording_duration", "phonation_time",
    "sr", "ar", "asd")
  ) |>
 write_csv(here("data", "tidy", "spr_tidy.csv"))
```

#### glimpse(dat)

## Design

#### **Variables**

- id: unique participant identification string
- phase: stage of data collection (pre, post)
- year: year of immersion program
- language: language spoken during interview (Spanish, English)

#### **Metrics**

- n syllables: number of syllables produced
- n pauses: number of pauses
- recording\_duration: total time (s) of recording
- phonation\_time: total speaking time (s)
- sr: speech rate (n\_syllables / recording\_duration)
- ar: articulation rate (n\_syllables / phonation\_time)
- asd: average syllable duration (phonation\_time / n\_syllables)

## **Exploratory plots**

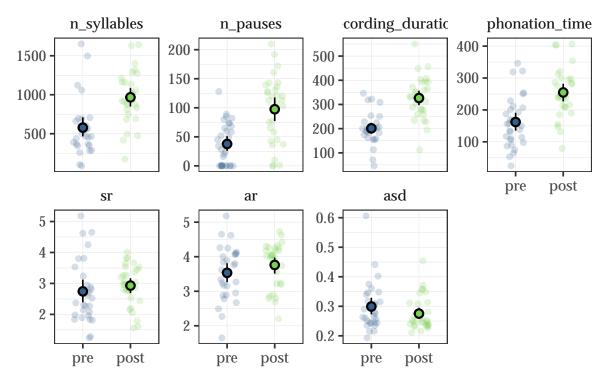
#### Spanish interview

OPI-style oral assessment in which participants are asked a range of questions.

```
dat |>
 filter(language == "Spanish") |>
 ggplot() +
 aes(x = phase, y = val) +
 facet_wrap(. ~ metric, scales = "free_y", ncol = 4) +
  geom_jitter(
   aes(color = phase),
   height = 0, width = 0.2, alpha = 0.2, show.legend = F
  ) +
 stat_summary(
   aes(fill = phase),
   fun.data = mean_cl_boot, geom = "pointrange", pch = 21,
   show.legend = F
 ) +
  scale_fill_viridis_d(option = "D", begin = 0.3, end = 0.8) +
 scale_color_viridis_d(option = "D", begin = 0.3, end = 0.8) +
 labs(
   title = "Speech fluency metrics",
   subtitle = "Spanish production as a function of phase in immersion program",
   x = NULL, y = NULL
```

# Speech fluency metrics

# Spanish production as a function of phase in immersion program



### **English**

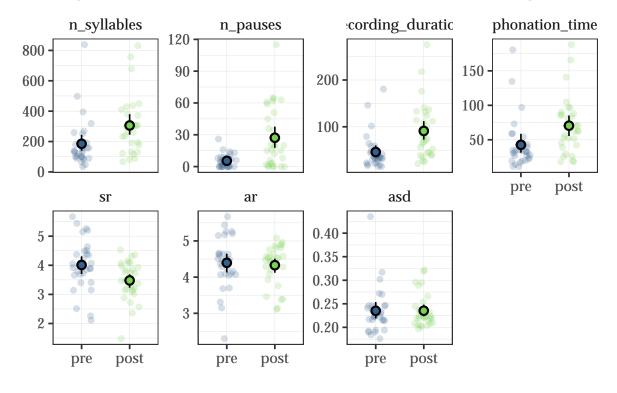
Participants respond to question "what does learning another language mean to you?"

```
dat |>
  filter(language == "English") |>
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = phase, y = val) +
  facet_wrap(. ~ metric, scales = "free_y", ncol = 4) +
  geom_jitter(
    aes(color = phase),
    height = 0, width = 0.2, alpha = 0.2, show.legend = F
) +
  stat_summary(
  aes(fill = phase),
  fun.data = mean_cl_boot, geom = "pointrange", pch = 21,
  show.legend = F
```

```
) +
scale_fill_viridis_d(option = "D", begin = 0.3, end = 0.8) +
scale_color_viridis_d(option = "D", begin = 0.3, end = 0.8) +
labs(x = NULL, y = NULL) +
labs(
   title = "Speech fluency metrics",
   subtitle = "English production as a function of phase in immersion program",
   x = NULL, y = NULL
)
```

# Speech fluency metrics

# English production as a function of phase in immersion program



## **Models**

```
# Scale continuous variables
dat_z <- dat |>
```

```
group_by(language, metric) |>
mutate(val_z = scale_this(val))

bf_raw <- bf(
  val ~ 0 + phase:language +
        (1 + phase:language | id)
)

bf_z <- bf(
  val_z ~ 0 + phase:language +
        (1 + phase:language | id)
)</pre>
```

## Number of syllables

```
get_prior(
  formula = bf_raw,
  family = poisson(link = "log"),
  data = filter(dat_z, metric == "n_syllables")
) |>
  select(prior, class, coef) |>
  knitr::kable()
```

prior	class	coef
	b	
	b	phasepost:languageEnglish
	b	phasepost:languageSpanish
	b	phasepre:languageEnglish
	b	phasepre:languageSpanish
lkj(1)	cor	
	cor	
$student\_t(3, 0, 2.5)$	$\operatorname{sd}$	
	$\operatorname{sd}$	
	$\operatorname{sd}$	Intercept
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepost:languageEnglish
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepost:languageSpanish
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepre:languageEnglish
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepre:languageSpanish

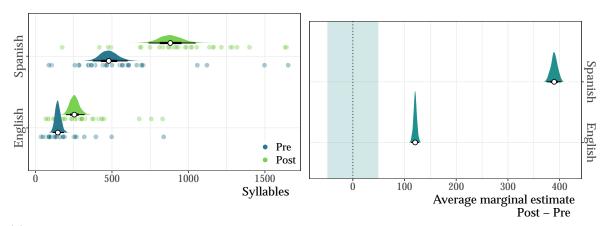
```
n_syllables_prior <- c(
    prior(normal(5, 1), class = "b"),
    prior(lkj(1), class = "cor"),
    prior(exponential(1), class = "sd")
)

mod_sr_n_syllables <- brm(
    formula = bf_raw,
    family = poisson(link = "log"),
    prior = n_syllables_prior,
    sample_prior = "no",
    chains = 4, iter = 2000, warmup = 1000,
    cores = 4, threads = threading(2),
    backend = "cmdstanr",
    control = list(adapt_delta = 0.99, max_treedepth = 12),
    data = filter(dat_z, metric == "n_syllables"),
    file = here("models", "mod_sr_n_syllables")
)</pre>
```

```
n_syllables_post <- as_tibble(mod_sr_n_syllables) |>
  transmute(
   English_pre = exp(`b_phasepre:languageEnglish`),
   English_post = exp(`b_phasepost:languageEnglish`),
   Spanish_pre = exp(`b_phasepre:languageSpanish`),
   Spanish_post = exp(`b_phasepost:languageSpanish`)
 ) |>
 pivot_longer(cols = everything()) |>
 separate(name, into = c("language", "phase"), sep = "_") |>
 mutate(
   phase = str_to_title(phase),
   phase = fct_relevel(phase, "Pre")
n_syllables_post |>
  ggplot() +
 aes(y = language, x = value, group = phase) +
  geom_point(
    data = filter(dat_z, metric == "n_syllables") |>
     mutate(phase = str_to_title(phase), phase = fct_relevel(phase, "Pre")),
   mapping = aes(y = language, x = val, fill = phase),
   position = ggpp::position_dodgenudge(
      x = 0, direction = "split", width = 0.5
```

```
pch = 21, alpha = 0.4, size = 3, color = "white", stroke = 1
  ) +
  stat_halfeye(
   aes(fill = phase),
    position = ggpp::position_dodgenudge(
     y = 0.06, direction = "split", width = 0.5),
    pch = 21, point_fill = "white", show.legend = F
    ) +
  scale_fill_viridis_d(name = NULL, option = "D", begin = 0.4, end = 0.8) +
  scale_color_viridis_d(name = NULL, option = "D", begin = 0.4, end = 0.8) +
  labs(y = NULL, x = "Syllables\n") +
  guides(fill = guide_legend(override.aes = list(alpha = 1, size = 3))) +
  theme(
    legend.position = "inside", legend.justification.inside = c(1, 0),
   legend.background = element_blank(),
   axis.text.y = element_text(angle = 90, hjust = 0.5, size = 16),
   axis.text.x = element_text(size = 14),
   axis.title.x = element_text(size = 16),
    legend.text = element_text(size = 14)
Registered S3 methods overwritten by 'ggpp':
  method
  heightDetails.titleGrob ggplot2
  widthDetails.titleGrob ggplot2
avg_comparisons(
 model = mod_sr_n_syllables,
 variables = "phase",
 by = "language"
) |>
 posterior draws() |>
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = draw, y = language) +
  geom_rect(
    inherit.aes = F,
   data = tibble(xmin = -50, xmax = 50),
   aes(xmin = xmin, xmax = xmax, ymin = -Inf, ymax = Inf),
    fill = my_{col}(b = 0.5, n = 1, a = 0.2), color = "white",
```

```
geom_vline(xintercept = 0, lty = 3) +
stat_halfeye(
   aes(alpha = after_stat(abs(x) < 50)),
   slab_fill = my_col(b = 0.5, n = 1), slab_color = "white",
   show.legend = F, pch = 21, point_fill = "white"
) +
scale_alpha_manual(values = c(1, 0.4)) +
scale_y_discrete(position = "right") +
coord_cartesian(xlim = c(-60, NA)) +
labs(x = "Average marginal estimate\nPost - Pre", y = NULL) +
theme(
   axis.text.y.right = element_text(angle = -90, hjust = 0.5, size = 16),
   axis.text.x = element_text(size = 14),
   axis.title.x = element_text(size = 16)
)</pre>
```



(a) Number of syllables produced as a function of language (English, Spanish) and phase (pre, b) Average marginal estimate of the difference bepost).

Average marginal estimate of the difference between 'pre' and 'post' for each language.

Figure 1: Syllables produced

```
bind_rows(
n_syllables_post |>
  group_by(language, phase) |>
  median_hdi(value) |>
  mutate(across(value:.upper, \(x) specify_decimal(x, k = 2))) |>
  transmute(
    Language = glue("{language}: {phase}"),
    Estimate = value,
```

```
HDI = glue("[{.lower}, {.upper}]")
  ) ,
avg_comparisons(
  model = mod_sr_n_syllables,
  variables = "phase",
 by = "language"
) |>
  as_tibble() |>
  mutate(
    contrast = str_remove_all(contrast, "mean\\(|\\)"),
    contrast = str_to_title(contrast)
  ) |>
  mutate(across(estimate:conf.high, \(x) specify decimal(x, k = 2))) | >
  transmute(
    Language = glue("{language}: {contrast}"),
   Estimate = estimate,
   HDI = glue("[{conf.low}, {conf.high}]")
) |>
  tt(width = 0.75) \mid >
  style_tt(j = 2:3, align = "r") |>
  group tt(i = list("Average marginal estimate" = 5)) |>
  style_tt(i = 0, line = "t", line_color = "black", line_width = 0.1) |>
  style_tt(i = 4, line = "b", line_color = "black", line_width = 0.05) |>
  style_tt(i = 7, line = "b", line_color = "black", line_width = 0.1)
```

### Number of pauses

```
get_prior(
  formula = bf_raw,
  family = poisson(link = "log"),
  data = filter(dat_z, metric == "n_pauses")
) |>
  select(prior, class, coef) |>
  knitr::kable()
```

Table 2: Number of syllables

Language	Estimate	HDI
English: Pre	145.99	[109.85, 183.60]
English: Post	253.74	[196.62,317.39]
Spanish: Pre	478.91	[370.56, 596.27]
Spanish: Post	881.32	[739.35,1047.89]
Average marginal estimate		
English: Post -	120.46	[112.57,128.22]
Pre		
Spanish: Post -	389.46	[375.11, 403.13]
Pre		

prior	class	coef
	b	
	b	phasepost:languageEnglish
	b	phasepost:languageSpanish
	b	phasepre:languageEnglish
	b	phasepre:languageSpanish
lkj(1)	cor	
	cor	
$student_t(3, 0, 2.5)$	$\operatorname{sd}$	
	$\operatorname{sd}$	
	$\operatorname{sd}$	Intercept
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepost:languageEnglish
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepost:languageSpanish
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepre:languageEnglish
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepre:languageSpanish

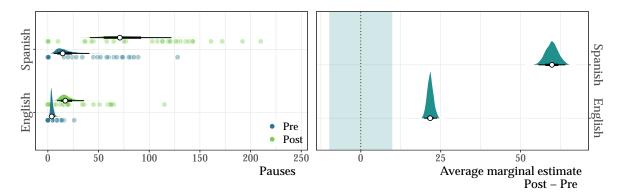
```
n_pauses_prior <- c(
  prior(normal(4, 1), class = "b"),
  prior(lkj(1), class = "cor"),
  prior(exponential(1), class = "sd")
)

mod_sr_n_pauses <- brm(
  formula = bf_raw,
  family = poisson(link = "log"),</pre>
```

```
prior = n_syllables_prior,
sample_prior = "no",
chains = 4, iter = 2000, warmup = 1000,
cores = 4, threads = threading(2),
backend = "cmdstanr",
control = list(adapt_delta = 0.99, max_treedepth = 12),
data = filter(dat_z, metric == "n_pauses"),
file = here("models", "mod_sr_n_pauses")
)
```

```
n_pauses_post <- as_tibble(mod_sr_n_pauses) |>
 transmute(
    English_pre = exp(`b_phasepre:languageEnglish`),
    English_post = exp(`b_phasepost:languageEnglish`),
    Spanish_pre = exp(`b_phasepre:languageSpanish`),
   Spanish_post = exp(`b_phasepost:languageSpanish`)
  ) |>
  pivot_longer(cols = everything()) |>
  separate(name, into = c("language", "phase"), sep = "_") |>
  mutate(
    phase = str_to_title(phase),
   phase = fct_relevel(phase, "Pre")
  )
n_pauses_post |>
  ggplot() +
  aes(y = language, x = value, group = phase) +
  geom_point(
    data = filter(dat_z, metric == "n_pauses") |>
      mutate(phase = str_to_title(phase), phase = fct_relevel(phase, "Pre")),
   mapping = aes(y = language, x = val, fill = phase),
   position = ggpp::position_dodgenudge(
      x = 0, direction = "split", width = 0.5
    ),
   pch = 21, alpha = 0.4, size = 3, color = "white", stroke = 1
  ) +
  stat_halfeye(
   aes(fill = phase),
   position = ggpp::position_dodgenudge(
      y = 0.06, direction = "split", width = 0.5),
    pch = 21, point_fill = "white", show.legend = F
```

```
scale_fill_viridis_d(name = NULL, option = "D", begin = 0.4, end = 0.8) +
  scale_color_viridis_d(name = NULL, option = "D", begin = 0.4, end = 0.8) +
 labs(y = NULL, x = "Pauses\n") +
 guides(fill = guide_legend(override.aes = list(alpha = 1, size = 3))) +
  theme(
    legend.position = "inside", legend.justification.inside = c(1, 0),
   legend.background = element_blank(),
   axis.text.y = element_text(angle = 90, hjust = 0.5, size = 16),
   axis.text.x = element_text(size = 14),
   axis.title.x = element_text(size = 16),
   legend.text = element_text(size = 14)
avg_comparisons(
 model = mod_sr_n_pauses,
 variables = "phase",
 by = "language"
) |>
 posterior_draws() |>
 ggplot() +
 aes(x = draw, y = language) +
 geom_rect(
   inherit.aes = F,
   data = tibble(xmin = -10, xmax = 10),
   aes(xmin = xmin, xmax = xmax, ymin = -Inf, ymax = Inf),
   fill = my_col(b = 0.5, n = 1, a = 0.2), color = "white",
  geom_vline(xintercept = 0, lty = 3) +
 stat_halfeye(
   aes(alpha = after_stat(abs(x) < 10)),
   slab_fill = my_col(b = 0.5, n = 1), slab_color = "white",
   show.legend = F, pch = 21, point_fill = "white"
 scale_alpha_manual(values = c(1, 0.4)) +
  scale_y_discrete(position = "right") +
 labs(x = "Average marginal estimate \nPost - Pre", y = NULL) +
  theme(
    axis.text.y.right = element_text(angle = -90, hjust = 0.5, size = 16),
   axis.text.x = element_text(size = 14),
   axis.title.x = element_text(size = 16)
```



(a) Number of pauses produced as a function of lan-(b) Average marginal estimate of the difference beguage (English, Spanish) and phase (pre, post). tween 'pre' and 'post' pauses for each language.

Figure 2: Pauses produced

```
bind_rows(
  n_pauses_post |>
    group_by(language, phase) |>
    median_hdi(value) |>
    slice(-4) \mid >
    mutate(across(value:.upper, \(x) specify_decimal(x, k = 2))) |>
    transmute(
      Language = glue("{language}: {phase}"),
     Estimate = value,
      HDI = glue("[{.lower}, {.upper}]")
    ),
  avg_comparisons(
    model = mod_sr_n_pauses,
    variables = "phase",
    by = "language"
  ) |>
    as_tibble() |>
    mutate(
      contrast = str_remove_all(contrast, "mean\\(|\\)"),
      contrast = str_to_title(contrast)
    mutate(across(estimate:conf.high, \(x) specify_decimal(x, k = 2))) \mid >
    transmute(
      Language = glue("{language}: {contrast}"),
      Estimate = estimate,
```

Table 4: Number of pauses

Language	Estimate	HDI
English: Pre	3.79	[1.78, 6.80]
English: Post	17.23	[7.57, 31.66]
Spanish: Pre	14.62	[3.64, 32.20]
Spanish: Post	71.02	[38.46, 115.61]
Average marginal estimate		
English: Post - Pre	21.73	[19.74, 23.91]
Spanish: Post - Pre	59.84	[55.62, 64.04]

```
HDI = glue("[{conf.low}, {conf.high}]")
)
)
tt(width = 0.75) |>
style_tt(j = 2:3, align = "r") |>
group_tt(i = list("Average marginal estimate" = 5)) |>
style_tt(i = 0, line = "t", line_color = "black", line_width = 0.1) |>
style_tt(i = 4, line = "b", line_color = "black", line_width = 0.05) |>
style_tt(i = 7, line = "b", line_color = "black", line_width = 0.1)
```

#### **Articiulation rate**

```
get_prior(
  formula = bf_z,
  family = gaussian(),
  data = filter(dat_z, metric == "ar")
) |>
  select(prior, class, coef) |>
  knitr::kable()
```

prior	class	coef
	h	

prior	class	coef
	b	phasepost:languageEnglish
	b	phasepost:languageSpanish
	b	phasepre:languageEnglish
	b	phasepre:languageSpanish
lkj(1)	cor	
	cor	
$student\_t(3, 0, 2.5)$	$\operatorname{sd}$	
	$\operatorname{sd}$	
	$\operatorname{sd}$	Intercept
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepost:languageEnglish
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepost:languageSpanish
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepre:languageEnglish
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepre:languageSpanish
$student\_t(3,0,2.5)$	sigma	

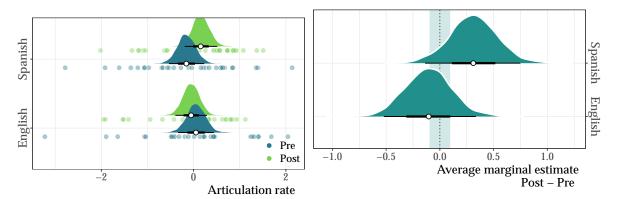
```
ar_prior <- c(
    prior(normal(0, 2.5), class = "b"),
    prior(lkj(1), class = "cor"),
    prior(exponential(2), class = "sd"),
    prior(exponential(2), class = "sigma")
)

mod_sr_ar <- brm(
    formula = bf_z,
    family = gaussian(),
    prior = ar_prior,
    sample_prior = "no",
    chains = 4, iter = 2000, warmup = 1000,
    cores = 4, threads = threading(2),
    backend = "cmdstanr",
    data = filter(dat_z, metric == "ar"),
    file = here("models", "mod_sr_ar")
)</pre>
```

```
ar_post <- as_tibble(mod_sr_ar) |>
transmute(
   English_pre = `b_phasepre:languageEnglish`,
   English_post = `b_phasepost:languageEnglish`,
   Spanish_pre = `b_phasepre:languageSpanish`,
   Spanish_post = `b_phasepost:languageSpanish`
```

```
pivot_longer(cols = everything()) |>
 separate(name, into = c("language", "phase"), sep = "_") |>
 mutate(
   phase = str_to_title(phase),
   phase = fct_relevel(phase, "Pre")
 )
ar_post |>
 ggplot() +
 aes(y = language, x = value, group = phase) +
 geom_point(
   data = filter(dat_z, metric == "ar") |>
     mutate(phase = str_to_title(phase), phase = fct_relevel(phase, "Pre")),
   mapping = aes(y = language, x = val_z, fill = phase),
   position = ggpp::position_dodgenudge(
     x = 0, direction = "split", width = 0.5
   ),
   pch = 21, alpha = 0.4, size = 3, color = "white", stroke = 1
 ) +
 stat_halfeye(
   aes(fill = phase),
   position = ggpp::position_dodgenudge(
     y = 0.06, direction = "split", width = 0.5),
   pch = 21, point_fill = "white", show.legend = F
   ) +
 scale_fill_viridis_d(name = NULL, option = "D", begin = 0.4, end = 0.8) +
 scale_color_viridis_d(name = NULL, option = "D", begin = 0.4, end = 0.8) +
 labs(y = NULL, x = "Articulation rate") +
 guides(fill = guide_legend(override.aes = list(alpha = 1, size = 3))) +
 theme(
   legend.position = "inside", legend.justification.inside = c(1, 0),
   legend.background = element_blank(),
   axis.text.y = element_text(angle = 90, hjust = 0.5, size = 16),
   axis.text.x = element_text(size = 14),
   axis.title.x = element_text(size = 16),
   legend.text = element_text(size = 14)
 )
avg_comparisons(
 model = mod_sr_ar,
 variables = "phase",
```

```
by = "language"
) |>
  posterior draws() |>
  ggplot() +
  aes(x = draw, y = language) +
  geom_rect(
    inherit.aes = F,
    data = tibble(xmin = -0.1, xmax = 0.1),
    aes(xmin = xmin, xmax = xmax, ymin = -Inf, ymax = Inf),
    fill = my_col(b = 0.5, n = 1, a = 0.2), color = "white",
  ) +
  geom_vline(xintercept = 0, lty = 3) +
  stat_halfeye(
    aes(alpha = after_stat(abs(x) < 10)),</pre>
    slab_fill = my_col(b = 0.5, n = 1), slab_color = "white",
    show.legend = F, pch = 21, point_fill = "white"
  ) +
  scale_alpha_manual(values = c(1, 0.4)) +
  scale_y_discrete(position = "right") +
  labs(x = "Average marginal estimate \nPost - Pre", y = NULL) +
  theme(
    axis.text.y.right = element_text(angle = -90, hjust = 0.5, size = 16),
    axis.text.x = element_text(size = 14),
    axis.title.x = element_text(size = 16)
```



(a) Average articulation rate as a function of language (English, Spanish) and phase (pre, post).

Average marginal estimate of the difference between 'pre' and 'post' articulation rate for each language.

Figure 3: Articulation rate

```
bind rows(
  ar_post |>
    group_by(language, phase) |>
   median_hdi(value) |>
   mutate(across(value:.upper, \(x) specify_decimal(x, k = 2))) >
   transmute(
     Language = glue("{language}: {phase}"),
     Estimate = value,
     HDI = glue("[{.lower}, {.upper}]")
    ),
  avg_comparisons(
   model = mod_sr_ar,
   variables = "phase",
   by = "language"
  ) |>
    as_tibble() |>
   mutate(
     contrast = str_remove_all(contrast, "mean\\(|\\)"),
      contrast = str_to_title(contrast)
   mutate(across(estimate:conf.high, \(x) specify_decimal(x, k = 2))) >
   transmute(
     Language = glue("{language}: {contrast}"),
     Estimate = estimate,
     HDI = glue("[{conf.low}, {conf.high}]")
    )
  ) |>
  tt(width = 0.75) \mid >
  style_tt(j = 2:3, align = "r") |>
  group_tt(i = list("Average marginal estimate" = 5)) |>
  style_tt(i = 0, line = "t", line_color = "black", line_width = 0.1) |>
  style_tt(i = 4, line = "b", line_color = "black", line_width = 0.05) |>
  style_tt(i = 7, line = "b", line_color = "black", line_width = 0.1)
```

#### Average syllable duration

```
get_prior(
  formula = bf_z,
```

Table 6: Articulation rate

Language	Estimate	HDI
English: Pre	0.05	[-0.34, 0.44]
English: Post	-0.05	[-0.39, 0.29]
Spanish: Pre	-0.16	[-0.53, 0.23]
Spanish: Post	0.15	[-0.19, 0.52]
Average marginal estimate		
English: Post - Pre	-0.10	[-0.52, 0.33]
Spanish: Post - Pre	0.31	[-0.14, 0.75]

```
family = gaussian(),
  data = filter(dat_z, metric == "asd")
) |>
  select(prior, class, coef) |>
  knitr::kable()
```

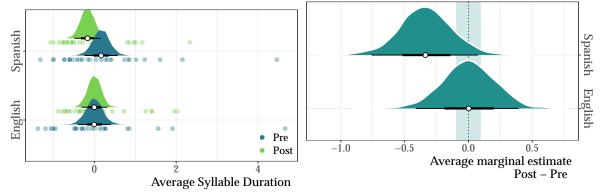
prior	class	coef
	b	
	b	phasepost:languageEnglish
	b	phasepost:languageSpanish
	b	phasepre:languageEnglish
	b	phasepre:languageSpanish
lkj(1)	cor	
	cor	
$student\_t(3, 0, 2.5)$	$\operatorname{sd}$	
	$\operatorname{sd}$	
	$\operatorname{sd}$	Intercept
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepost:languageEnglish
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepost:languageSpanish
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepre:languageEnglish
	$\operatorname{sd}$	phasepre:languageSpanish
$\underline{\text{student}\_\text{t}(3,0,2.5)}$	sigma	

```
asd_prior <- c(
  prior(normal(0, 2.5), class = "b"),
  prior(lkj(1), class = "cor"),
  prior(exponential(2), class = "sd"),
  prior(exponential(2), class = "sigma")
)
mod_sr_asd <- brm(</pre>
  formula = bf_z,
  family = gaussian(),
  prior = asd_prior,
  sample_prior = "no",
  chains = 4, iter = 2000, warmup = 1000,
  cores = 4, threads = threading(2),
  backend = "cmdstanr",
  control = list(adapt_delta = 0.99),
  data = filter(dat_z, metric == "asd"),
  file = here("models", "mod_sr_asd")
```

```
asd_post <- as_tibble(mod_sr_asd) |>
 transmute(
   English_pre = `b_phasepre:languageEnglish`,
   English_post = `b_phasepost:languageEnglish`,
   Spanish_pre = `b_phasepre:languageSpanish`,
   Spanish_post = `b_phasepost:languageSpanish`
 pivot_longer(cols = everything()) |>
 separate(name, into = c("language", "phase"), sep = "_") |>
 mutate(
   phase = str_to_title(phase),
   phase = fct_relevel(phase, "Pre")
 )
asd_post |>
 ggplot() +
 aes(y = language, x = value, group = phase) +
 geom_point(
   data = filter(dat_z, metric == "asd") |>
     mutate(phase = str_to_title(phase), phase = fct_relevel(phase, "Pre")),
   mapping = aes(y = language, x = val_z, fill = phase),
   position = ggpp::position_dodgenudge(
```

```
x = 0, direction = "split", width = 0.5
   ),
   pch = 21, alpha = 0.4, size = 3, color = "white", stroke = 1
 ) +
 stat_halfeye(
   aes(fill = phase),
   position = ggpp::position_dodgenudge(
     y = 0.06, direction = "split", width = 0.5),
   pch = 21, point_fill = "white", show.legend = F
   ) +
 scale_fill_viridis_d(name = NULL, option = "D", begin = 0.4, end = 0.8) +
 scale_color_viridis_d(name = NULL, option = "D", begin = 0.4, end = 0.8) +
 labs(y = NULL, x = "Average Syllable Duration") +
 guides(fill = guide legend(override.aes = list(alpha = 1, size = 3))) +
 theme(
   legend.position = "inside", legend.justification.inside = c(1, 0),
   legend.background = element_blank(),
   axis.text.y = element_text(angle = 90, hjust = 0.5, size = 16),
   axis.text.x = element text(size = 14),
   axis.title.x = element_text(size = 16),
   legend.text = element_text(size = 14)
avg_comparisons(
 model = mod sr asd,
 variables = "phase",
 by = "language"
) |>
 posterior_draws() |>
 ggplot() +
 aes(x = draw, y = language) +
 geom_rect(
   inherit.aes = F,
   data = tibble(xmin = -0.1, xmax = 0.1),
   aes(xmin = xmin, xmax = xmax, ymin = -Inf, ymax = Inf),
   fill = my_{col}(b = 0.5, n = 1, a = 0.2), color = "white",
 geom_vline(xintercept = 0, lty = 3) +
 stat_halfeye(
   aes(alpha = after stat(abs(x) < 10)),
   slab_fill = my_col(b = 0.5, n = 1), slab_color = "white",
   show.legend = F, pch = 21, point_fill = "white"
```

```
) +
scale_alpha_manual(values = c(1, 0.4)) +
scale_y_discrete(position = "right") +
labs(x = "Average marginal estimate\nPost - Pre", y = NULL) +
theme(
   axis.text.y.right = element_text(angle = -90, hjust = 0.5, size = 16),
   axis.text.x = element_text(size = 14),
   axis.title.x = element_text(size = 16)
)
```



(a) Average syllable duration as a function of language (English, Spanish) and phase (pre, post).

Average marginal estimate of the difference between 'pre' and 'post' articulation rate for each language.

Figure 4: Average syllable duration

```
bind_rows(
  asd_post |>
    group_by(language, phase) |>
    median_hdi(value) |>
    mutate(across(value:.upper, \(x) specify_decimal(x, k = 2))) |>
    transmute(
       Language = glue("{language}: {phase}"),
       Estimate = value,
       HDI = glue("[{.lower}, {.upper}]")
    ),

avg_comparisons(
    model = mod_sr_asd,
    variables = "phase",
    by = "language"
```

Table 8: Articulation rate

Language	Estimate	HDI
English: Pre	-0.01	[-0.41, 0.40]
English: Post	0.00	[-0.34, 0.30]
Spanish: Pre	0.16	[-0.24, 0.57]
Spanish: Post	-0.17	[-0.50,  0.14]
Average marginal estimate		
English: Post -	0.00	[-0.41,  0.39]
Pre		
Spanish: Post - Pre	-0.34	[-0.76, 0.07]
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```
) |>
  as_tibble() |>
 mutate(
    contrast = str_remove_all(contrast, "mean\\(|\\)"),
    contrast = str_to_title(contrast)
  mutate(across(estimate:conf.high, \(x) specify_decimal(x, k = 2))) |>
 transmute(
    Language = glue("{language}: {contrast}"),
   Estimate = estimate,
   HDI = glue("[{conf.low}, {conf.high}]")
  )
) |>
tt(width = 0.75) |>
style_tt(j = 2:3, align = "r") |>
group_tt(i = list("Average marginal estimate" = 5)) |>
style_tt(i = 0, line = "t", line_color = "black", line_width = 0.1) |>
style_tt(i = 4, line = "b", line_color = "black", line_width = 0.05) |>
style_tt(i = 7, line = "b", line color = "black", line_width = 0.1)
```

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