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# NEW VOWELS FOR A NEW LIFE

*A perceptual experiment*

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## INTRODUCTION

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### 1.1.1 A word on figures

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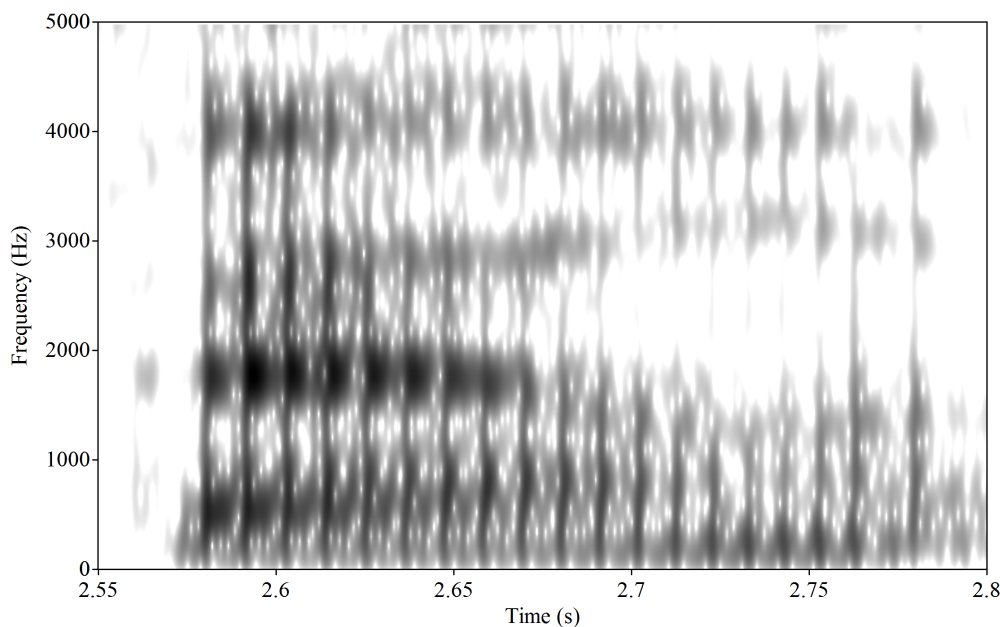


FIGURE 1.1. A spectrogram.

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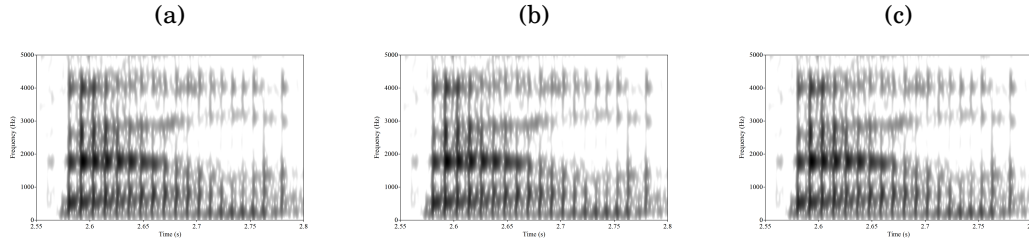


FIGURE 1.2. (a) This is the first spectrogram. (b) This is the second spectrogram. (c) And that's the third one.

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### 1.1.2 Tables and equations

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TABLE 1.1. F1 and F2 values in the words *hod* and *hood* produced by speaker *aa**j* from Wales (Hz). From the study by Ferragne and Pellegrino (2010).

Vowel	Mean F1	Standard Deviation	Mean F2	Standard Deviation
hod	509	57	894	54
hood	484	58	863	67

$$NIR = \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left( \frac{\det\{\frac{1}{2}(W_A + W_B)\} + \frac{1}{4}(\bar{x}_A - \bar{x}_B)'(\bar{x}_A - \bar{x}_B)}{\det(W_A)^{1/2} \det(W_B)^{1/2}} \right) \quad (1.1)$$

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