

## YAWELMANI

(This is the name of the language. At a later stages it will be replaced with the title of the paper)

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### Language

Yawelmani (dialect of Yokuts) is an American Indian language spoken in California.

### Data source

Kenstowicz, Michael and Charles Kisseberth. 1979. *Generative Phonology*. New York: Academic Press.

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### Phonetic inventory

CONSONANTS	Labial	Dental	Alveolar	Dorsal	Laryngeal
Stops	p, p' b	t t' d	t t' d	k k' g	ʔ
Affricates		ts ts' dz			
Fricatives		s	s	x	h
Nasals	m m'	n n'			
Liquids			l l'		
Glides	w w'		y y'		

C' = glottalized C. The voiced–voiceless contrast is phonetically unaspirated–aspirated contrast of voiceless obstruents.

VOWELS	Front		Central		Back	
High	i	i:			u	u:
Mid	e	e:			o	o:
Low			a	a:		

### Syllable inventory

	Word initial		Word medial		Word final	
CV	xa.ten	‘will eat’	—		xat.xa	‘let us eat’
CVC	dos.hin	‘to report’	ʔa:.mil.hin	‘helps’	dos.hin	‘to report’
CV:	do:.sol	‘might report’	ho.yo:.hin	‘names’	—	

### Generalizations

Onsets are obligatory

– \*[V

Complex onsets are prohibited

– \*[CC

Complex codas are prohibited

– \*CC]

} complex  
syllable  
margins

Super-heavy syllables are prohibited

– \*[CVXC]

Word medial CV (?)

Word final CV: (?)

