Learning hidden structure in paradigms
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Speakers have a rich and detailed knowledge of the their lexicon, which they evidence in their treatment of novel words ("wug-testing"). I will show that this knowledge is biased by naturalness : The same kinds of relations that cause regular processes in some languages, regulate irregular processes in other languages. This means that this lexical knowledge is mediated by the grammar. I propose an OT-based model in which regular and irregular morpho-phonology is derived from the same set of universal constraints, CON. This theory requires derivations to proceed "inside-out" (Hayes 1995, 1998,1999). It adds the benefits of OT-based work to the single surface base hypothesis (Albright 2002, 2008a).

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