

Field Methods 2018
 Outcomes of low-low tone dissimilation exercise
 2/22/2018

N+1.s possessor

CV'V

Vowel replacement

Tone remains and combines with 1.s low tone, resulting in falling contour

Suggests M is specified

A.A → A.AB

(1)	txié'é 'cucaracha'	A.A'	txié'î 'mi cucaracha'	A.AB
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M.M → M.MB

(9)	ve'e 'casa'	M.M	ve'î 'mi casa'	M.MB
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(10)	ñu'u 'fuego'	M.M	ñu'î 'mi fuego'	M.MB
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B.M → B.MB

(15)	shà'an 'manteca'	B.M	shà'în 'mi manteca'	B.MB
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(18)	ndzi'i 'grano'	B.M	ndzi'î 'mi grano'	B.MB
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CVCV

No vowel replacement, but /u/ + /i/ seem to syllabify more than other sequences of a vowel + /i/

Resulting falling contour

Low-low dissimilation on all B+B sequences, not only B'+B

No CV'V B-final words to test if they result in AB

A.A → A.AB

(2)	sápó 'sapo'	A.A	sápói 'mi sapo'	A.AB
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B.M → B.MB

(14)	tùmi 'pluma'	B.M	tùmî 'mi pluma'	B.MB
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(16)	xìto 'cama'	B.M	xitòi 'mi cama'	B.MB
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(17)	nchìchi 'ejote'	B.M'	nchìchî 'mi ejote'	B.MB
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M.B → M.AB

(21)	ntuchì 'frijol'	M.B'	ntuchî 'mi frijol'	M.AB
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(22)	xa'à 'pie'	M.B	xa'î 'mi pie'	M.AB
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(23)	yikin 'calabasa'	M.B'	yikîn 'mi calabasa'	M.AB
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(26)	ntxikìn 'cuerno'	M.B'	ntxikîn 'mi cuerno'	M.AB
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M.B → M.MAB

(24)	yakuìn 'armadillo'	M.B'	yakuîîn 'mi armadillo'	M.MAB
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(25)	itùn 'árbol'	M.B'	ituiîîn 'mi árbol'	M.MAB
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itu-îîn

B.B → B.AB

(27)	shità 'tortilla'	B.B'	shitài 'mi tortilla'	B.AB
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(28)	xitùn 'horno'	B.B	xituîn 'mi horno'	B.AB
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(29)	kuikà	‘peine’	B.B	kuikái	‘mi peine’	B.AB
(30)	sùkùn	‘cuello’	B.B’	sùkuîn	‘mi cuello’	B.AB

N+Adj

Low-low dissimilation for B’+B and B+B

Need more with ‘peine’ + B

Need more with both followed by M

	kuikà	‘peine’	B.B	
(39)	kuikǎ	và’a	‘buen peine’	B.Ac
	shità	‘tortilla’	B.B’	
(50)	shità	vixin	‘tortilla fría’	B.Ac
(51)	shità	và’a	‘tortilla buena’	B.Ac
(56)	shità	òvǎ	‘tortilla amarga’	B.Ac
(57)	shità	vixì	‘tortilla dulce’	B.Ac
(58)	shità	ò’vǎ	‘tortilla salada’	B.Ac
(48)	shità	ùvǎ’ǎ	‘tortilla mala’	B.Ac
(/a/#/u/ MAB like 24 & 25, maybe rep. as Ac+B series)				
			B.B’ B.B’	
(59)	shità	àsì	‘tortilla sabrosa’	B.A
			B.B’ B.A’	
(47)	shità	ì’ní	‘tortilla caliente’	B.B (??)

Num+N+Adj

Not only low-low dissimilation but also at boundary of B.B’ + M.M

Is it an effect of the historical word-final glottal stop?

Need kòmì(‘) + B contexts, ìvì + B contexts (here)

and M.B’ + M, B.B’ + M, and B.B + B contexts (above) to tell.

B.B’ M.M → B.Ac

(61)	kòmǐ	ve’e	và’a	‘cuatro casas buenas’
(63)	kòmǐ	xati	và’a	‘cuatro pantalones buenos’
(65)	kòmǐ	ñu’u	ì’ní	‘cuatro fuegos calientes’
(67)	kòmǐ	txitxa	ì’ní	‘cuatro atoles calientes’

M.B’ B.M → M.A B.M

(72)	ìvì	nduchí	và’a	‘dos frijoles buenos’
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B.B B.M → B.B B.M

(73)	ìvì	tsina	và’a	‘dos perros buenos’
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