

4. Conclusion.

In this study, the existing theories of syllabification have been shown to be inadequate on several points. A new theory of syllabification has then been devised for French. Finally, the phenomena of schwa-deletion and semivocalization in French have been accounted for in a principled way, making use of the same principles that were used in the theory of syllabification. Both proposals thus mutually strengthen each other.

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