

The Precedence Model Meets Performance Data

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ABSTRACT

"Bagemihl's Program" is the attempt to define the typology of precedence-modifying ludlings using tools from the theory of generative phonology. However, a vacuum has been left by the plutoing of the No-Crossing Condition. In this paper I define a model of precedence-modifying ludlings that is restricted to operating over a well-defined and constrained set of anchor points. Importantly the Transposition operations of ludlings are restricted to operating over one of these arguments and \*a function over that argument\*. This restriction yields an important analytic bias in learning these ludlings. I discuss performance data and how experimental ludlings have the potential to increase and refine our understanding of analytic biases in constructing precedence-based representations.