

- **Discussion and practice**
- **Reading spectrograms**

Background:

- Midterm exam
- Lab #06 (German vowels)
- Prep questions: Nasals and approximants

0. Today's plan

- Discussion and questions: Midterm exam
- Discussion: Lab #06
- Check-in on the prep questions
- Reading spectrograms!

1. Midterm exam: Discussion

- Q (3): What does the spectrum of a complex wave represent?
- Q (5): What is the difference between wide-band and narrow-band spectrograms?
- Q (6): What happens when a speaker changes the source or the filter in a vowel?
- Other questions?

2. Lab #06: Discussion

- Adding rounding to a high front vowel
 - What does perturbation theory predict?
 - What does the multiple-tubes model predict?
 - What did you actually find?
- What was the most surprising vowel on the formant plot?
- Other questions?

3. Today's prep questions

- **Nasals and [l]** | Vocal tract of one speaker:
 - Glottis to uvula - 9cm
 - Uvula to nares (nostrils) - 12.5cm
 - Uvula to lips - 8cm
 - Uvula to alveolar ridge - 5.5cm
- What is the main tube for [m]? for [l]?
- What is the side tube for [m]? for [l]?
- Formants F1, F2, F3 for [m]? for [l]?
- Antiformants AF1, AF2 for [m]? for [l]?

3. Today's prep questions

- Where is the vocal-tract perturbed in **glides**?
 - [j] — **palatal** constriction
 - like a high front V
 - [w] — **labial** and **velar** constrictions
 - like a high back round V
- So what should formants look like in [w] and [j] compared to schwa? → **Prep questions**

4. Reading spectrograms

- Try dividing the speech into **segments** (individual consonants and vowels)
- Some things to look for:
 - Major class (vowel, stop, fricative, nasal, approximant)
 - Height and backness/rounding in vowels
 - Voicing in consonants
 - Place of articulation in consonants