

Today's objectives:

- **Applying rules and features**
- **Testing predictions of our model**

Background preparation:

- *Handout – Feature charts worksheet*
- *Data set – Turkish (focus on the genitive)*

0. Today's plan

- Checking in: Features?
- Practice with features and rules: Turkish
- Some predictions of our model
(these are discussed in the context of the features and rules examples above)

1. Checking in: Features

Building and assessing a scientific model

- What kind of **evidence** makes the strongest case in favor of including a particular feature in our phonological model?

1. Checking in: Features

- Any **questions** on the feature set aspect of our phonological model?
 - [Feature charts worksheet](#)
(see answer key on Canvas)
 - Padlet board
- *For more on features:*
Each of the phonology **books** on reserve for our course presents and discusses a feature model, but they all differ slightly in the details (use with caution)

1. Checking in: Features

Group discussion

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versus
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Debriefing

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- Some reminders
 - What kinds of phonological data are features intended to describe/predict/explain?
 - How does the grammar model “use” features?

2. Practice with features and rules

Group discussion

- Data set – [Turkish](#)
 - Assume that the **UR** of the genitive suffix is **/-in/**
 - Write **rules**, using features, that produce the **other surface forms** of the genitive suffix in the relevant **environments**
 - Make your analysis as **simple** and **insightful** as you can (use features minimally!)

2. Practice with features and rules

Debriefing

- Data set – [Turkish](#)
 - A key point in developing this analysis:
Are you “translating” from segments to feature sets, or are you *thinking in terms of features*?
 - How does this analysis provide **evidence** that the phonological grammar makes use of **features**, rather than treating segments as “atoms”?