#### Structure of Japanese



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# Midterm info and review

Background:

• Midterm info & review guide

- Midterm exam on Th Oct 12
  - See info & review guide for details
  - Notes page / phonetics chart allowed
  - Grad students will have an optional alternative
    - Advanced undergrads who would like to try this option: please consult with me
    - If you're taking the alternative exam, no need to come to the classroom on Th

#### 0. Today's plan

- HW #3 discussion: Morphological analysis and morpheme classification
- Phonological rules
  - Allophones of  $/_N/$
- Other topics from Padlet or in class

## 1. Morphological analysis

- HW #3, Q1: How can we analyze this set of related words morphologically?
  - Principles to keep in mind:
    - systematic sound/meaning correspondence
    - relating these data to patterns we have already analyzed

## 1. Morphological analysis

- HW #3, Q2:
  - How can we identify a verb's **root**?
    - What are some criteria for this decision?
    - Why is this hard for some of these cases?
  - How can we **distinguish** consonant verbs and vowel verbs based on their forms?
  - Which forms of these verbs are **irregular**?
    - How do we think about what a *regular* form is expected to look like?

# 2. Phonological rules

- Allophones of /N/
  - What are the patterns in the data?
  - How can we analyze this?
- Some interesting advanced questions:
  - Does our set of phonetic properties allow us to express the phonological rule(s) simply?
  - Advanced question: What happens with /א/ before /z/?

## 2. Phonological rules

- *[not on exam]* What is the evidence for /Cja Cju Cjo/?
  - Handout (on Canvas) <u>A more advanced analysis: Alveolar obstruents</u>

#### 3. Other review topics

• By request