Are you ready to take 200A?

I assume you're familiar with the following:

- distinctive features
- natural classes
- phonemes
- allophones
- alternations
- underlying representations
- rules
- rule ordering

But it's OK if you're rusty on some details (are nasal stops [+continuant] or [-continuant]?).

If you've had a quarter-length or semester-length course with a title like "Phonology," then you should be fine.

If not, the quick Tagalog problem on the other side should give you an idea of how ready you are. If you're ready for 200A, you should find the problem easy and be able to express your solution in rule notation. If you are having trouble, come talk to me as soon as possible.

To get an idea of where the class is, I would like **everyone** to do the problem. You can turn it in to my mailbox in the next few days. This won't be graded; it's merely diagnostic.

Tips/directions:

- **Don't spend more than 15 minutes** on this. Unlike in real problem sets, I don't want a full writeup of your analysis; just give the underlying forms, rules, and rule ordering, and illustrate with derivations (see below). No prose is needed.
- Don't worry if you don't know the notation for writing a metathesis rule. You can write it in the form $AB \rightarrow BA$, (where *A* and *B* are IPA symbols or feature matrices) even though, as we'll see later, this notation is not quite adequate.
- Use features where appropriate.
- Give derivations for *buksin*, *bili*, *bilhin*, *damtin*, *gampin*, *tamnin*. Remember that a derivation starts with the underlying form, which it is up to you to determine.

See you soon.

-Kie Zuraw

Archaic Tagalog (from K&K textbook)

no suffix	with –in suffix	with –an suffix	root gloss
bukas	buksin	buksan	open
kapit	kaptin	kaptan	embrace
tubos	tubsin	tubsan	redeem
putol	putlin	putlan	cut
bata	bathin	bathan	suffer
bili	bilhin	bilhan	buy
dipa	diphin	diphan	open
banig	baŋgin	baŋgan	mat
damit	damtin	damtan	clother
ganap	gampin	gampan	fulfill
atip	aptin	aptan	thatching
talab		tablan	penetrate
tanim	tamnin	tamnan	plant
laman	lamnin	lamnan	fill