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## **Extrakce základní hlasové frekvence a intonační gravitace v češtině**

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### **Fundamental frequency tracking and intonation downtrends in Czech**

The article deals with the nature of current approaches to speech material and to instrumental analysis in research of prosodic phenomena. The relationship between intonation in the narrow sense of the word and frequency of the vocal folds vibration is described. One example probe is presented to demonstrate advantages and weaknesses of some modern methods. Attention is also paid to interesting intonational downtrends which have been neglected by intonologists and which, to date, have not been properly described in Czech.

**Key words:** fundamental frequency – F0, intonational downtrends, melody of speech, pitch

**Klíčová slova:** základní hlasová frekvence – F0, intonační gravitace, melodie řeči, výška tónu

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## Psycholingvistika a čeština: některá slibná témata

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### **Psycholinguistics and Czech: some promising topics**

Psycholinguistic research has not received much attention in the Czech linguistic community. However, psycholinguistic methods could contribute to research in areas that have been traditionally strong in Czech linguistics, such as the study of information structure (topic-focus articulation). Specific properties of Czech, such as its rich morphological system with many homonymous affixes, also provide interesting opportunities for research. The article demonstrates some methods used in research on word identification in adults and sentence processing in adults and children. It shows how these methods could be employed to provide theoretically relevant and new data about Czech.

**Keywords:** grammar acquisition, information structure, morphological priming, psycholinguistics, sentence processing, word identification

**Klíčová slova:** osvojování gramatiky, aktuální členění, morfologický priming, psycholingvistika, zpracování vět, identifikace slov

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## Postoje k jazyku, technika spojitých masek a čeština

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### **Language attitudes, matched-guise technique and the Czech language**

This article addresses the issue of empirical research on language attitudes. In the first part, some of the up-to-date investigations of attitudes towards Czech are discussed. The second part introduces the matched-guise technique to Czech linguistics and points out some examples of how this technique has been used and modified. Criticism of this technique is mentioned briefly. In the third part, the possibilities of implementing the matched-guise technique using Czech material are considered (e.g. the difference in the evaluation of different items of one variety; the difference in the evaluation in different situational contexts; language attitudes and code-mixing/code-switching in Czech; the issue of language discrimination).

**Key words:** empirical research, language attitudes, language discrimination, matched-guise technique, Wallace Lambert

**Klíčová slova:** empirické zkoumání, postoje k jazyku, jazyková diskriminace, technika spojitých masek, Wallace Lambert

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