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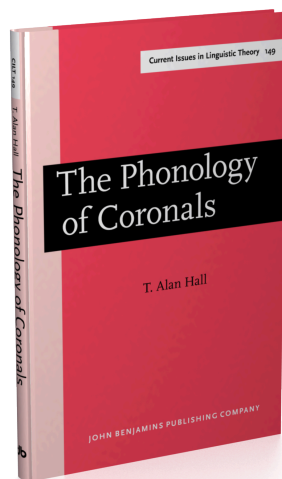
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In this book, unless otherwise indicated, I employ the transcription system of the International Phonetic Alphabet. A chart with these symbols has been provided in appendix 1 for reference. All terminology in the following pages regarding places and manner of articulation (e.g. “dental”, “alveolar”, “laminal”, “apical”) is based on this IPA chart with two exceptions. First, I refer to sounds like [θ, ð] below as “interdentals” and not as “dentals”. And second, in my terminology fricatives and affricates like [ʃ, ʒ, tʃ, dʒ] are “palatoalveolar”, and not “postalveolar”. “Postalveolar” is used below as a cover term for the three places of articulation behind the alveolar ridge and in front of the hard palate (i.e. [+coronal, -anterior] in terms of features), namely palatoalveolar, retroflex and alveolopalatal. The term “alveolopalatal” is used here and below to refer to fricatives (and affricates) found in Polish and many dialects of Chinese (e.g. Polish: *wieś* [vʲeɕ] ‘village’). According to Pullum & Ladusaw (1986: 31) alveolopalatal fricatives are “articulated further forward than [ç] (true palatal) but not as far forward as [ʃ] (palatoalveolar)”. I capture this articulatory fact by listing the alveolopalatal place of articulation between palatoalveolar and palatal in the following chapters. This is illustrated in (i), where I have given the corresponding fricatives and affricates:

(i)	alveolar	palatoalveolar	alveolopalatal	palatal
	s, z	ʃ, ʒ	ç, ʝ	ç, ʝ
	ts, dz	tʃ, dʒ	tɕ, dʑ	

Note, however, that alveolopalatal sounds are listed in appendix 1 under “other symbols” and are therefore not included in the IPA chart itself.