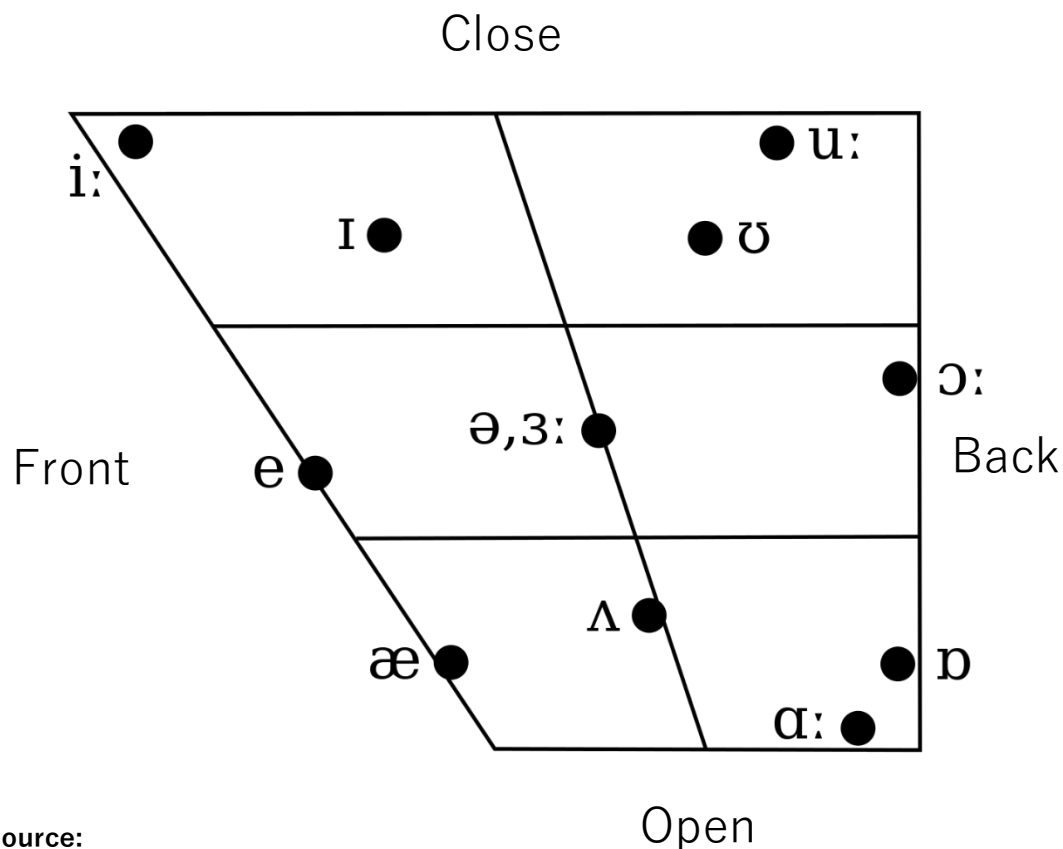


# Vowel sound chart

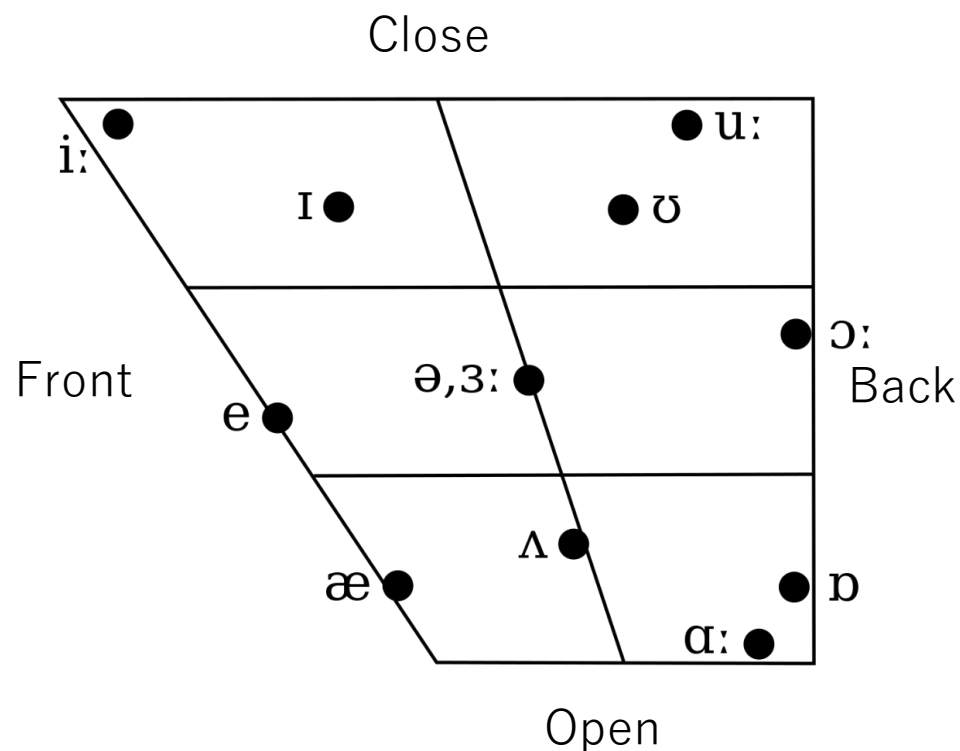


This illustration depicts the interior of the mouth and its various vowel sounds. On the chart, vowels to the left are classified as front vowels, produced by positioning the tongue towards the front of the mouth. Meanwhile, those to the right are considered back vowels, created by moving the tongue backwards.

The vertical axis represents the height of the tongue, with a lower position indicating a more open jaw. Vowels closer to the roof of the mouth are known as close-vowels, while those lower down are referred to as open vowels.

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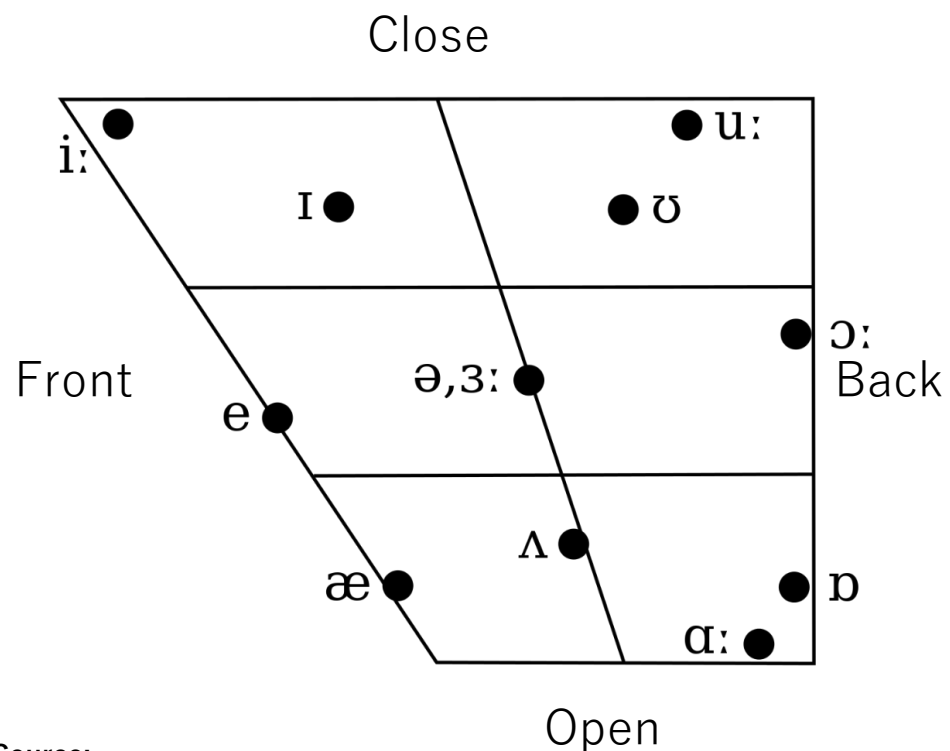
# Monophthong vowel chart: short vowels



Phoneme	Position
/æ/	Near-open front unrounded vowel
/ɪ/	Near-close near-front unrounded vowel
/ʊ/	Near-close near-back rounded vowel
/ɛ/ (/e/)	Open-mid front unrounded vowel
/ɒ/	Open back rounded vowel
/ʌ/	Near-open central vowel
/ə/	Mid central vowel

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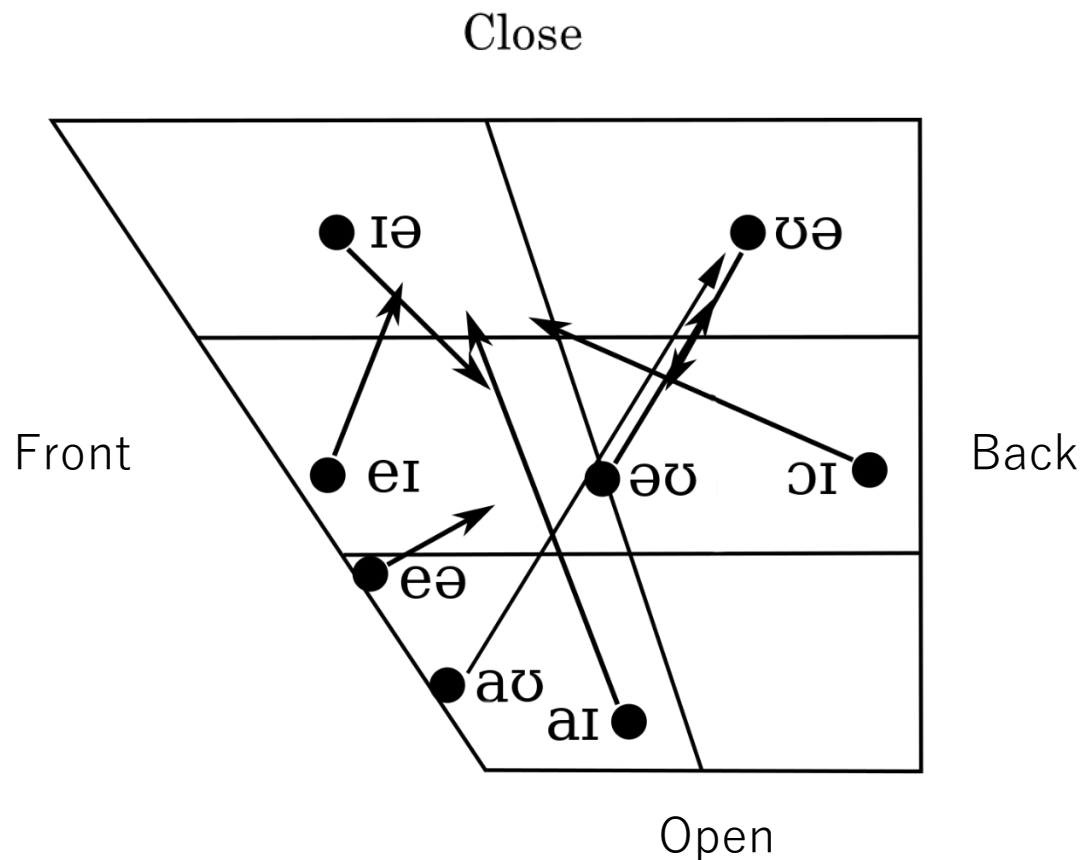
# Monophthong vowel chart: long vowels



Phoneme	Position
/i:/	Close front unrounded vowel
/ɜ:/	Mid central vowel
/ɔ:/	Mid back rounded vowel
/u:/	Close back rounded vowel
/ɑ:/	Open back unrounded vowel

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# Diphthong vowel chart



A diphthong is a combination of two monophthongs and is characterized by a change in the shape of the mouth from start to finish.

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