The Sound System of NAE

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Phonemes =
sounds which distinguish words
/p, b/   pat vs. bat

Allophones =
sounds which are different but which
don't distinguish words

[pʰ]    aspirated, as in "pat"
[p]     unaspirated, as in "spin"
[pʰ]    unreleased, as in "stop"

phonemes & allophones are
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