Vietnamese consonants, IPA

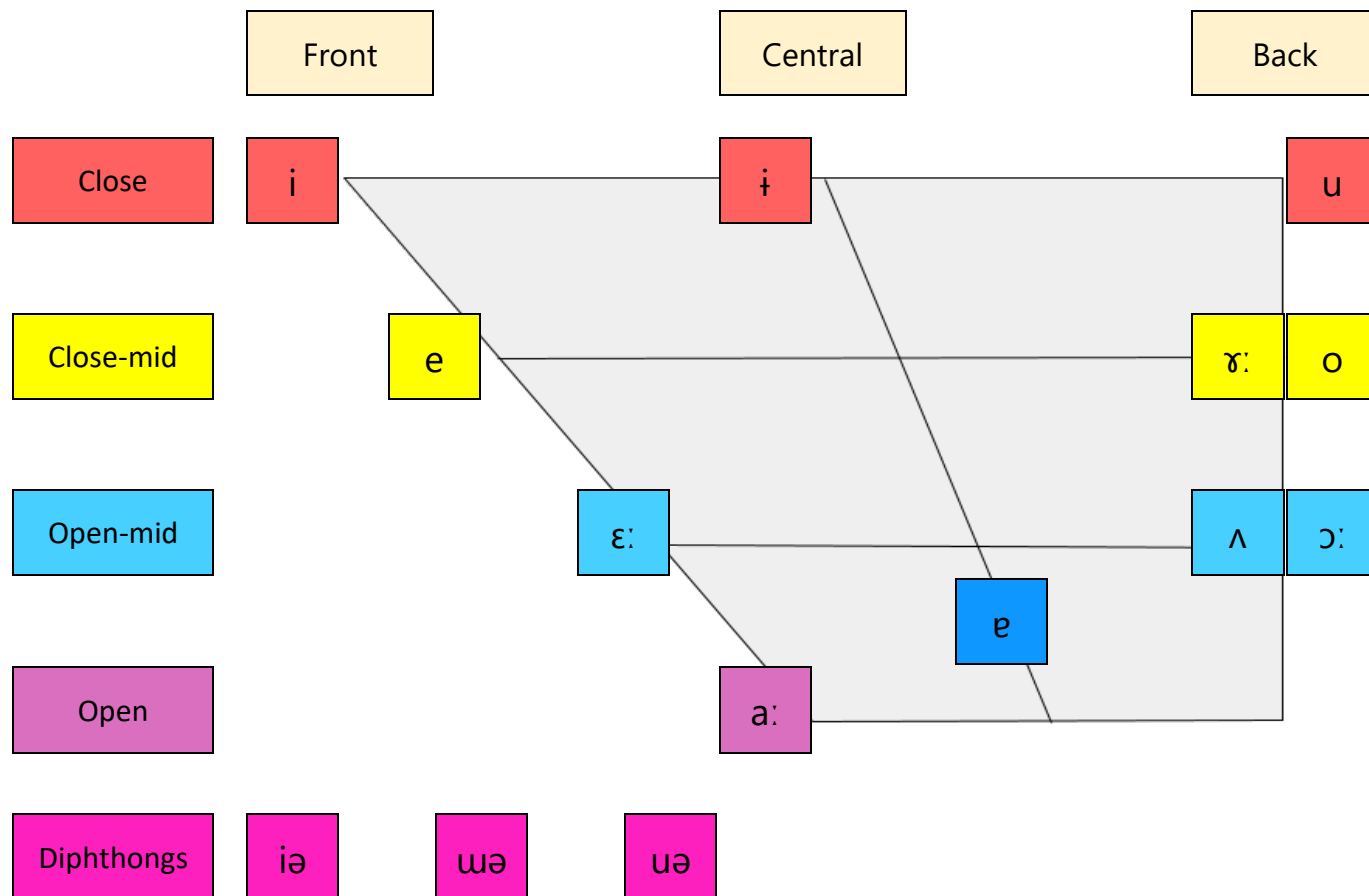|	Bilabial		Labio-dental		Denti-alveolar		Retroflex		Palatal		Velar		Glottal	
Plosive	p	ɓ			t̪	ɗ	ʈ		c		k		ʔ	
Aspirated plosive					t̪ʰ						kʰ			
Affricate							[t͡ʂ]		[t͡ɕ]					
Fricative			f	v	s	z	ʂ	[ʐ]		[ʑ], [j]	x	ɣ	h	
Nasal		m				n				ɲ		ŋ		
Tap						[ɾ]								
Lateral tap						[ɺ]								
Trill						r								
Approximant		w				l				j				

- Where symbols appear in pairs, the one to the right represents a voiced consonant.
- Where symbols appear singly, they are placed to the left within their column if they represent a voiceless consonant, and to the right if they represent voiced.
- Symbols enclosed in brackets represent non-phonemic consonants.
- Blacked-out cells indicate phones judged to be impossible.

- Note that /ɓ/ and /ɗ/ are implosive phones.
- The approximant row includes one lateral approximant: /l/.
- Three of the non-phonemic sounds are allophones of the "R" phoneme /r/: the alveolar and lateral taps; and the voiced retroflex fricative.
- Two of the non-phonemic sounds are allophones of /z/: the voiced alveolo-palatal and palatal fricatives [ʑ] and [j], both shown in the palatal column.

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	Bilabial		Labio-dental		Denti-alveolar		Retroflex		Palatal		Velar		Glottal	
Plosive	p	b			t	đ	tr		ch		c		Ø	
Aspirated plosive					th						kh			
Affricate							(tr)		(ch)					
Fricative			ph	v	x	d	s	(r)		(d,d)	(kh)	gh	h	
Nasal		m				n				nh		ng		
Tap						(r)								
Lateral tap						(r)								
Trill						r								
Approximant		u				l				gi				

- Symbols enclosed in parentheses represent non-phonemic consonants.

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Vietnamese vowels, IPA

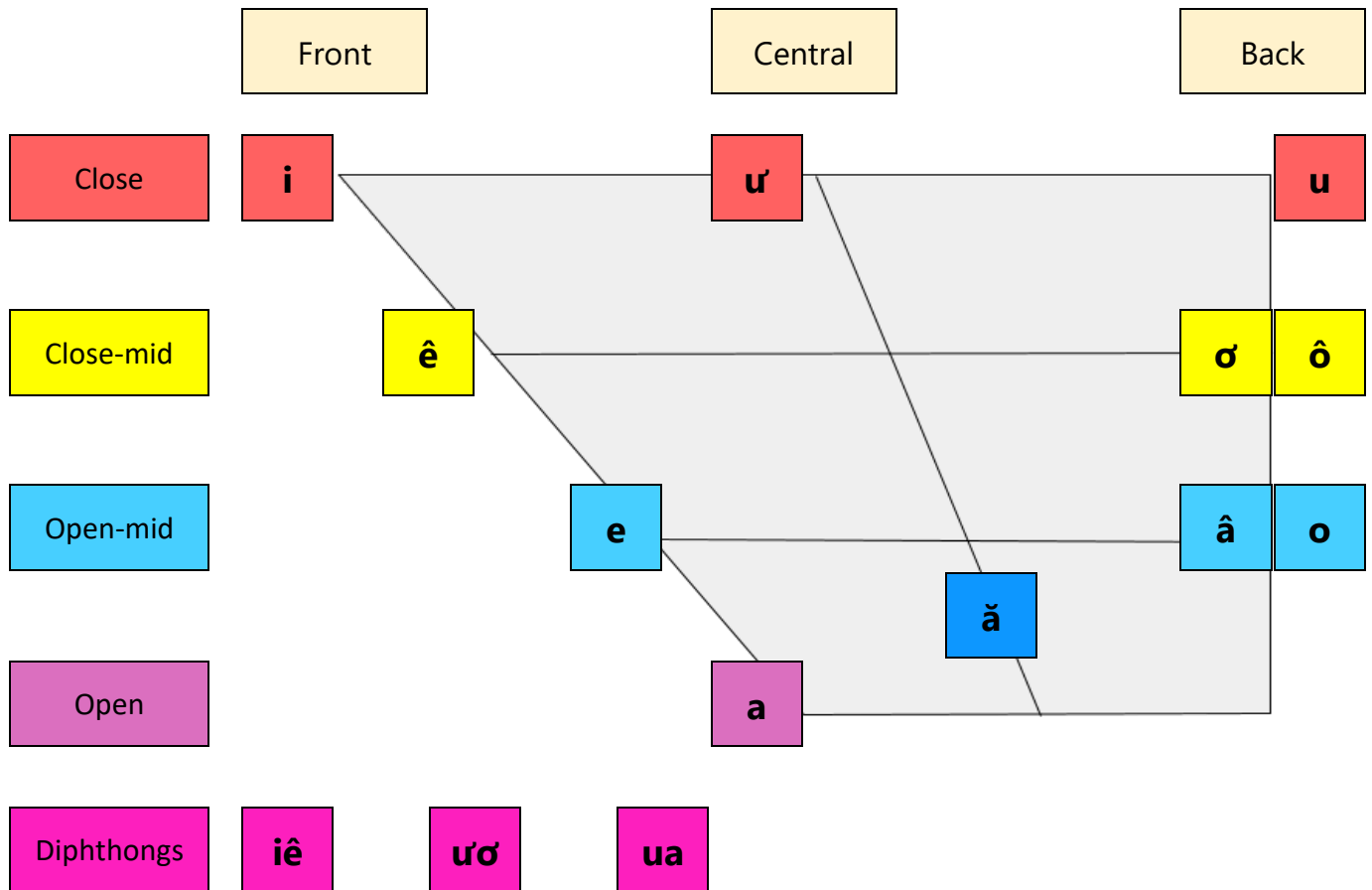|	Front	Central	Back
Close	i	ɨ	u
Close-mid	e		ɤː o
Open-mid	ɛː		ʌ ɔː
Open		ɐ aː	
Diphthongs	iə	ɯə	uə

- Where symbols appear in pairs, the one to the right represents a rounded vowel.
- In some analyses, [ɐ] and [aː] are allophones of /a/, but Emerich (2012) observes minimal pairs based on them. Even so, she finds that duration is a significant cue that speakers use to distinguish them.

- Of the symbols appearing singly, the back vowel [u] is rounded; front and central vowels are unrounded.
- In addition to the three centering diphthongs /iə/, /ɨə/, and /uə/, there are 15 diphthongs ending with [i] or [u], not shown here, in addition to a number of triphthongs.

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	Front	Central	Back
Close	i	ư	u
Close-mid	ê		ơ ô
Open-mid	e		â o
Open		a ă	
Diphthongs	iê	ươ	ua

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