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sentence "I am, too", you're responding to the fact that someone else is Italian as well. The new information is that YOU are Italian, as opposed to the other person, so the emphasis should be on "I". Very true. The same meaning can in fact be conveyed by means of a different structure - "So am I" - where the peak of the intonation curve is on "I". Thus: "So am I". GS If you want to emphasize a state of being, you would be almost never wrong to avoid the contraction. While you can say "I'm hungry" or "I am hungry", the latter adds a little more emphasis. If asked "Are you Italian?", it sounds strange to say "Yes, I'm" but normal to say, "Yes, I am." You could say, "No, I'm not" or "No, I am not." It might be a matter of the extra word adding to the cadence. I dunno.