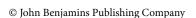
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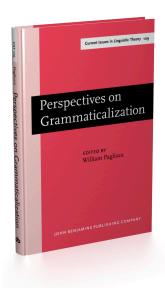
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The thirteen papers in this volume represent a selection of the papers on grammaticalization topics presented at the Nineteenth Annual Linguistics Symposium of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. The theme of the symposium was Explanation in Historical Linguistics, and the first volume of selected papers from the conference has already appeared in this series as Explanation in Historical Linguistics, Garry W. Davis and Gregory K. Iverson (eds) (Current Issues in Linguistic Theory, 84). Most of the papers in the present volume appear in revised form.

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