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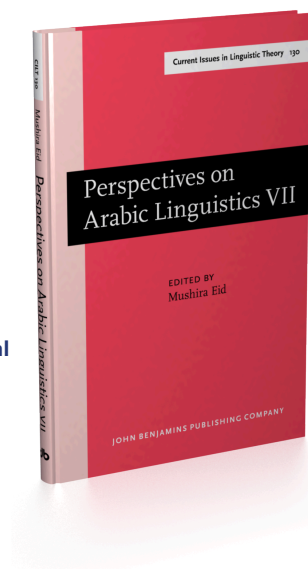
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On March 5-6, 1993, the Seventh Annual Symposium on Arabic Linguistics was held at the University of Texas at Austin. The symposium was sponsored by the Arabic Linguistic Society, The University of Texas College of Liberal Arts, its Middle East Center, and its Departments of Linguistics and Oriental and African Languages and Literatures, and by the University of Utah's College of Humanities and the Department of Languages and Literature.

A total of eighteen papers were presented at the symposium; of these, eight are published in this volume. Two other papers (Safi & Broselow et. al) were presented at the Eighth Annual Symposium but are included here for thematic reasons. The papers presented at the symposium were selected on the basis of an anonymous review of abstracts submitted to the Program Committee. The papers included in the volume were further reviewed by the editor before their final acceptance for publication.

The transcription of all Arabic materials in the body of the papers follows the International Phonetic Alphabet or standard equivalents. The Arabic emphatics, however, are represented by a dot underneath the symbol, and long vowels as sequences of two vowels. The transliteration of Arabic names and titles follows accepted formats, with some simplification in the use of diacritics. We have used ' and ' for *hamza* (glottal stop) and 'ayn (pharyngeal approximant), respectively.

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