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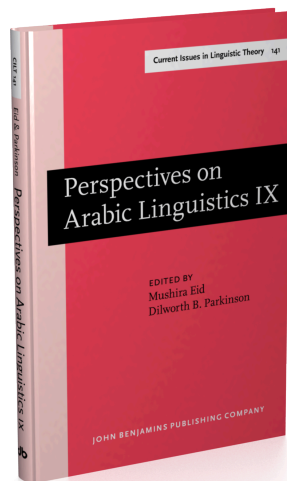
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On March 10-12, 1995, the Ninth Annual Symposium on Arabic Linguistics was held at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. The symposium was sponsored by the Arabic Linguistics Society, Georgetown University's School of Languages and Linguistics and its Department of Arabic, and the University of Utah.

A total of sixteen papers were presented at the symposium; of these, nine are published in this volume. 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 editors before their final acceptance for publication. In addition, a workshop was organized for the first time with the purpose of presenting data on a particular topic. The topic for the ninth symposium was negation in Arabic. Six papers were presented at the conference; of these, three are published in this volume.

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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