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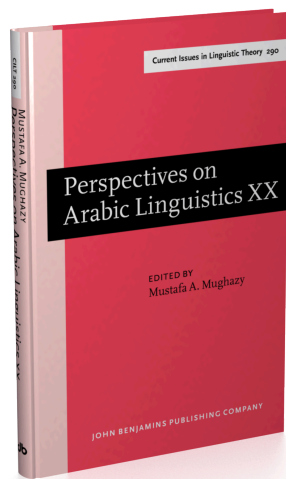
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The transcription of the non-English data in this volume follows the International Phonetic Alphabet or standard equivalents. Arabic emphatics are transcribed with a dot underneath the symbol, and long vowels are represented as a sequence of two vowels. Some contributors use special symbols that are theoretically or computationally motivated; these are explained and justified in the text.

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