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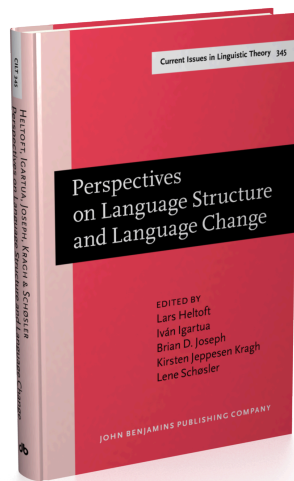
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This volume addresses a group of concepts and issues central to the study of language change, all anchored in the work of Henning Andersen, professor at the University of California, Los Angeles, Slavic Languages and Literatures. Henning Andersen has been highly influential in the fields of diachronic linguistics, and his key concepts are continuously quoted and applied by researchers in the field. His influence on general and Slavic linguistics is deep and lasting, in the USA and in Europe, and in the Slavic world. Henning Andersen is still fully active as a researcher and as a plenary speaker at international conferences. His theory and approach are astonishingly coherent, and his key concepts form a basis for further theoretical development and empirical work.

To pay tribute to Henning Andersen and his impressive achievements, we have collected and edited a number of papers from colleagues applying, analyzing and evaluating Henning Andersen's key concepts. These papers cover a large number of typologically different languages, including, of course, the Slavic languages as Henning Andersen's special field of expertise. The authors represent universities all over the world, a symbol of his immense influence in linguistics.

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