Record Nr. UNINA9910782069003321 Autore Picard Marc Titolo Principles and methods in historical phonology: from Proto-Algonkian to Arapaho / / Marc Picard Montreal; ; Buffalo:, : McGill-Queen's University Press, , 1994 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-282-85688-X 9786612856884 0-7735-6461-6 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (x, 193 pages) 497/.3 Disciplina Soggetti Arapaho language - Phonology, Historical Reconstruction (Linguistics) - Methodology Grammar, Comparative and general - Phonology Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references p. [185]-190) and index. Nota di contenuto Front Matter -- Contents -- Preface -- Acknowledgments --Methodology -- Relative Chronology -- The Intrinsic and Historical Order of Changes -- The Phonological History of Arapaho -- The Development of the Proto-Algonkian Glides -- Vowel Harmony and Related Changes -- Consonant Clusters -- Deletion Processes --Conclusion -- Notes -- References -- Index Sommario/riassunto Picard's methodology has three stages: establishing the sound correspondences between a source language (such as Proto-Algonkian) and a target language (such as Arapaho); exploiting the concept of naturalness in phonological change to the fullest in order to construct working hypotheses as to what the most likely historical processes could have been, and to determine in a nonarbitrary fashion which processes could have taken place simultaneously; and ordering these processes in accordance with the various feeding, bleeding, counterfeeding, and counterbleeding relations that exist between a great many pairs of diachronic processes. Picard applies his theoretical assumptions to a detailed development and analysis of the

phonological changes that have taken place between Proto-Algonkian and modern Arapaho. In addition he provides a segment-by-segment

derivation of over two hundred lexical items, showing exactly which sound changes have applied in each case. Principles and Methods in Historical Phonology is a valuable addition to historical studies of Algonkian languages and will be of particular interest to Algonkianists as well as linguists in general.