Record Nr. UNINA9910788828803321 Egyptian-Coptic linguistics in typological perspective / / Edited by Eitan **Titolo** Grossman, Martin Haspelmath and Tonio Sebastian Richter Pubbl/distr/stampa Berlin, Germany:,: De Gruyter Mouton,, 2015 ©2015 **ISBN** 3-11-055513-1 3-11-039459-6 3-11-034651-6 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (x, 578 pages): illustrations Collana Empirical Approaches to Language Typology., 0933-761X; Volume 55 493/.2 Disciplina Soggetti Egyptian language - Grammar, Comparative Coptic language - Grammar, Comparative Typology (Linguistics) Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Includes bibliographical references at the end of each chapters and Nota di bibliografia indexes. Nota di contenuto Front matter -- Preface -- Contents -- Early encounters: Egyptian-Coptic studies and comparative linguistics in the century from Schlegel to Finck -- The Egyptian-Coptic language: its setting in space, time and culture -- A grammatical overview of Egyptian and Coptic -- The Leipzig-Jerusalem Transliteration of Coptic -- Conditionals in Late Egyptian -- A typological look at Egyptian \*d > -- No case before the verb, obligatory case after the verb in Coptic -- How typology can inform philology: quotative j(n) in Earlier Egyptian -- The three adnominal possessive constructions in Egyptian-Coptic: Three degrees of grammaticalization -- Egyptian non-selective interrogative pronominals: history and typology -- Typological remodeling in Egyptian language history: salience, source and conjunction -- Towards a typology of poetic rhyme -- The Old and Early Middle Egyptian Stative -- A rare change: the degrammaticalization of an inflectional passive marker into an impersonal subject pronoun in Earlier Egyptian -- The oblique expression of the object in Ancient Egyptian -- Index of authors -- Index of languages -- General index

## Sommario/riassunto

This volume presents the Egyptian-Coptic language in cross-linguistic ('typological') perspective. It is aimed at linguists of all stripes. especially typologists, historical linguists, and specialists in Egyptian-Coptic, Afroasiatic languages, or African languages. Uniquely, the contributions are written by both typologists and experts of Egyptian-Coptic and typologists. The former provide case studies dealing with particular aspects of the various phases of the Egyptian-Coptic language (e.g., COLLIER on conditional constructions), while the latter situate Egyptian-Coptic data in cross-linguistic perspective (e.g., those by GUELDEMANN and GENSLER). The volume also includes an introductory section that includes an overview of the Egyptian-Coptic language (HASPELMATH), a sketch of its sociohistorical setting (GROSSMAN & RICHTER), its relationship with language typology (RICHTER), and the way in which Egyptian-Coptic data should be presented to nonspecialists, focusing on transliteration and glossing (GROSSMAN & HASPELMATH). This is the first book to bring together language typology and the Egyptian-Coptic language in an explicit fashion.