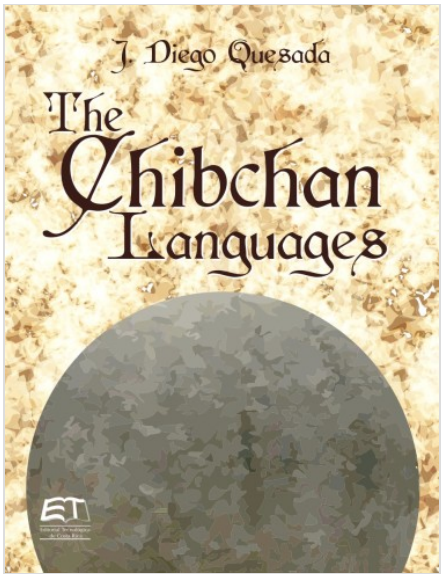
The Chibchan Languages

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Sinopsis

The Chibchan language family is one of the most intriguing language groups in the Americas, spanning from Honduras in Central America to the eastern Colombian highlands and the Colombian-Venezuelan border region. This book provides a detailed description and analysis of the Chibchan languages, emphasizing their typological diversity, grammatical features, and historical context.The work highlights the family's role as a linguistic prototype of the Central American-Colombian Area, part of the broader Intermediate Area characterized by unique cultural and linguistic traits. It addresses phonology, morphology, syntax, and discourse structures, focusing on the distinction between Central American and Colombian languages within the family.Key topics include ergativity, participant highlighting through information-structure markers, and intermittent marking of grammatical categories. The study reveals a high degree of discourse permeability and fluid syntax across the family. The book also includes sample texts, detailed analyses of grammatical relations, and discussions on the evolution of linguistic features.Directed at linguists and specialists in Amerindian languages, the book offers significant insights into Chibchan languages' classification, morphosyntax, and areal relationships, shedding light on their development and contribution to historical linguistics and typological theory.

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