

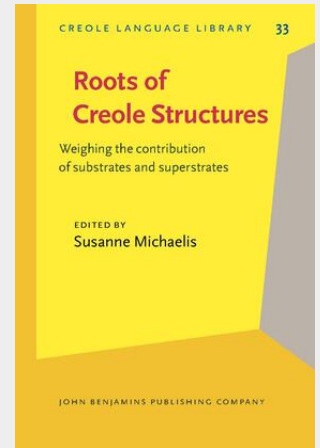
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## Roots of Creole Structures

Weighing the contribution of substrates and superstrates

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