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- 1 Gündoğdu describes case in Kurdish. In addition to the stable Northern Kurdish systems (with case) and Southern Kurdish systems (without case), the chapter enumerates the functions and distribution of case in Central Kurdish, which ranges in functionality from more SK-like to more NK-like. Gündoğdu provides copious examples from the MDKD of case functions in Central Kurdish, showing that the oblique case (the marked form in a bicasual: direct vs. oblique distinction) is used to mark (1) present-tense objects, (2) post-verbal goals, (3) adpositional complements, and (4) genitival possessors. She shows that most northern Central Kurdish varieties that feature oblique marking mark all three distinctions. However, transitional varieties have 1-3 but not 4, 1-2 but not 3-4, and 1 but not 3-4. For Northern Kurdish, Gündoğdu gives examples of case marking on past-tense Agents, present-tense Objects, post-predicate Goals, adpositional complements, and Possessors. Gündoğdu's use of 77 example sections, each with multiple sentences in various dialects, ensures that this article will be an important resource for the exploration of cases in Kurdish for the foreseeable future.
- 2 [Voir le compte rendu de l'ouvrage collectif]

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