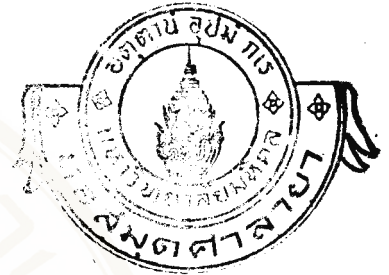


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ABSTRACT

This thesis is an attempt to study the Yunnanese Chinese Phonology by seeing the Phonology as a hierarchy of ranks. In this study, two ranks are set up : the Syllable and the Phonemes .

The thesis is divided into three chapters. Chapter 1 will give some general information on the Yunnanese Chinese in the northern part of Thailand, some linguistic information on the Yunnanese Chinese, aim and scope of this study, and the methodology used in this study. Chapter 2 will describe the Yunnanese Chinese Phonology by starting from the highest to the lowest rank of the hierarchy : the Syllable to the Phoneme. The tonal system is also included in this chapter. Chapter 3 will be the conclusions, problems of interpretation, problems in working with the informants, and some suggestions for further studies on the Yunnanese Chinese language.