Multiscale Tomography Imaging and Modelling Ancient Materials

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Anthropological and historical issues





Coiling technology with thin coils



Coiling technology with elongated coils (also described as slab construction)



Spiraled patchwork technology (SPT)



Macro-traces analysis



Different manufacturing techniques lead to different orientation of pores/inclusions













Possible indicators





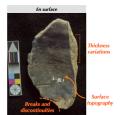




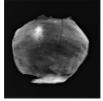
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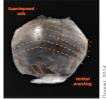


Gomart, 2014



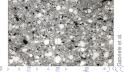
Inspection of breaks and discontinuities





Thin section analysis

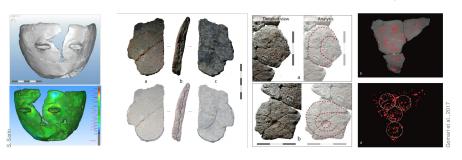
(SEM-BSE)



Macro-traces analysis: Pendimoun rock shelter sherds



Irregular surfaces, curvilinear fractures, circular orientation of pores/inclusions



Uniformity of sherd **characteristics** at the Pendimoun archaeological site (no sherd built using the coiling technique)

Spiralled patchwork technology (SPT) hypothesis



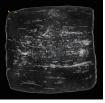
Image and signal processing



Automatic pores filtering

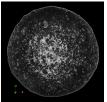
experimental sherd (coil technique)





experimental sherd (SPT technique)





(SkyScan data)

Data processing

- segmentation processes
- ➤ shape recognition
- ➤ image descriptors
- statistics
- ➤ Hough Transform
- multiresolution processing
- ➤ ..

... both on 2D and 3D data

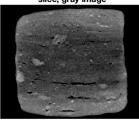
Softwares: MATLAB, Paraview, Fiji, ...

Image processing



Shape recognition and statistics

slice, gray image



binary image, segmented



150 180 210 300 270

(SkyScan data)

Multiresolution analysis & Hough Transform

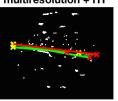
binarized slice



binarized pores



multiresolution + HT









(Mathematical) characterization

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of ancient potteries





