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La mineralogia ed i beni culturali: attrazione fatale

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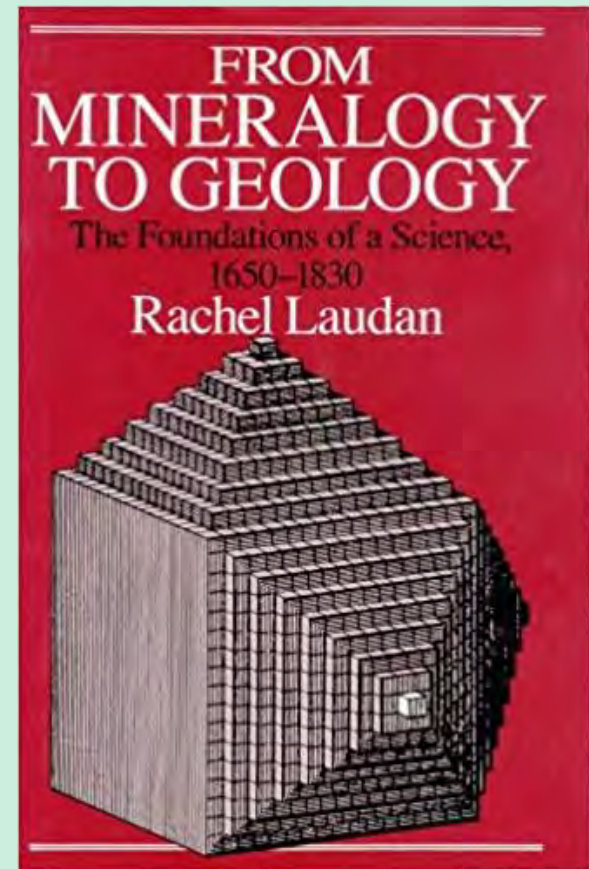


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Lo sviluppo storico della **crystallografia** e della **mineralogia** sono intimamente legate.

Abraham Gottlob Werner (1749-1817), uno dei padri della cronologia stratigrafica in geologia, ha definito la mineralogia “*as being made up of three major subdivisions that, taken together, closely approximate the scope of modern geology: oryctognosy (the identification and classification of minerals), mineral geography (the distribution of rocks and minerals), and geognosy (the formation and history of rocks and minerals)*”



La mineralogia e la cristallografia:

- hanno solide radici nella fisico-chimica dello stato solido
- si occupano di tutti materiali rilevanti per i beni culturali: dai minerali naturali ai prodotti delle trasformazioni causate dalle attività umane
- hanno conoscenza della distribuzione degli elementi e delle associazioni minerali sulla crosta terrestre, quindi della loro disponibilità come risorse
- sono ben consapevoli della complessità dei sistemi naturali, e quindi adeguata al loro studio ed interpretazione
- utilizzano un gran numero di tecniche sperimentali avanzate per lo studio dello stato solido.

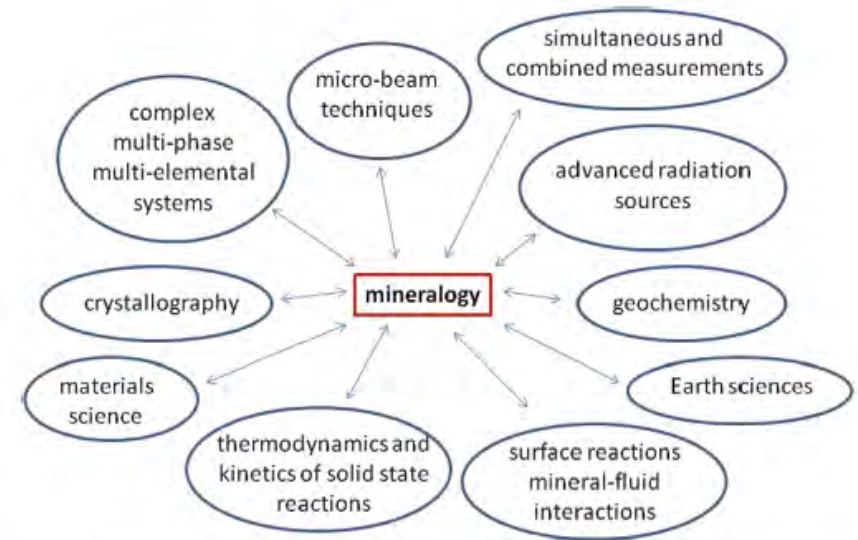
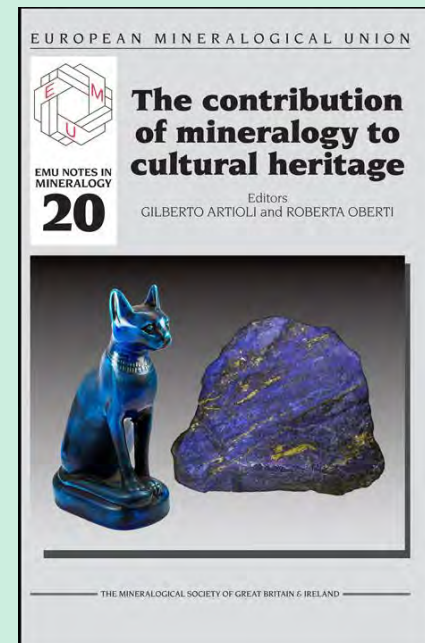


Fig. 2. The schematic diagram of some of the disciplines and know-how forming the backbone of modern mineralogy.











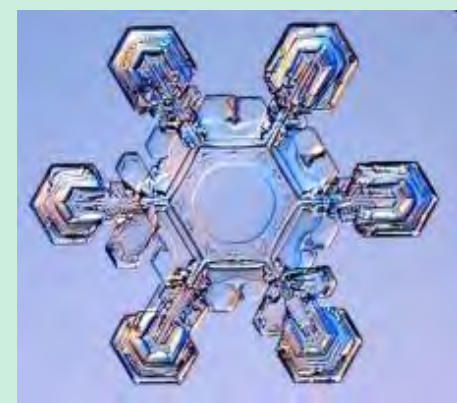
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Johannes Kepler
(1571-1630)



De nive sexangula
Johannes Kepler
(1611)



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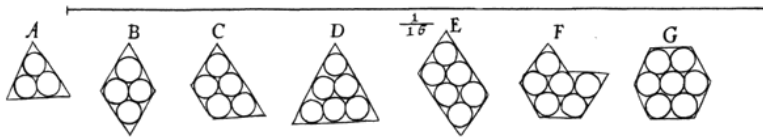
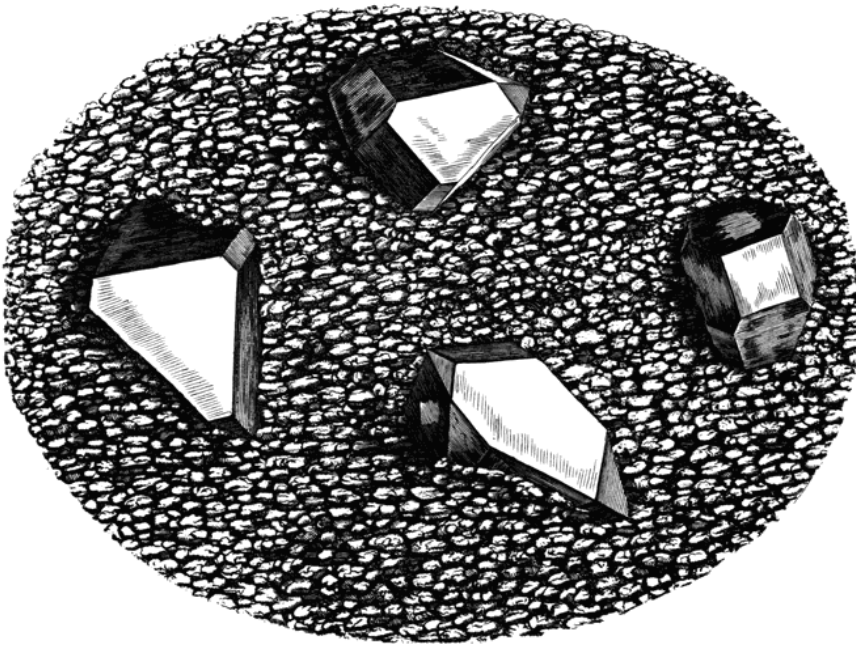
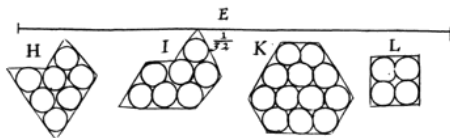
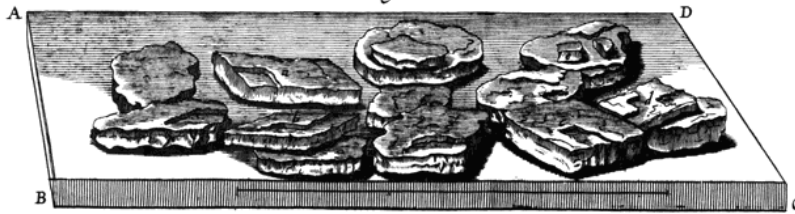


Fig: 2



ROBERT HOOKE
1635 - 1703

Robert Hooke (1635 – 1703)

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WITH
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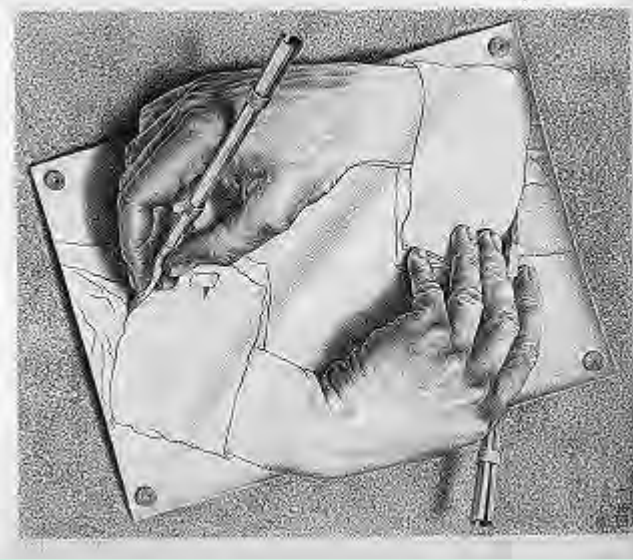
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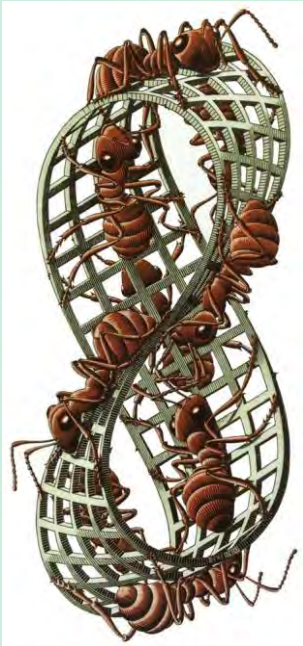
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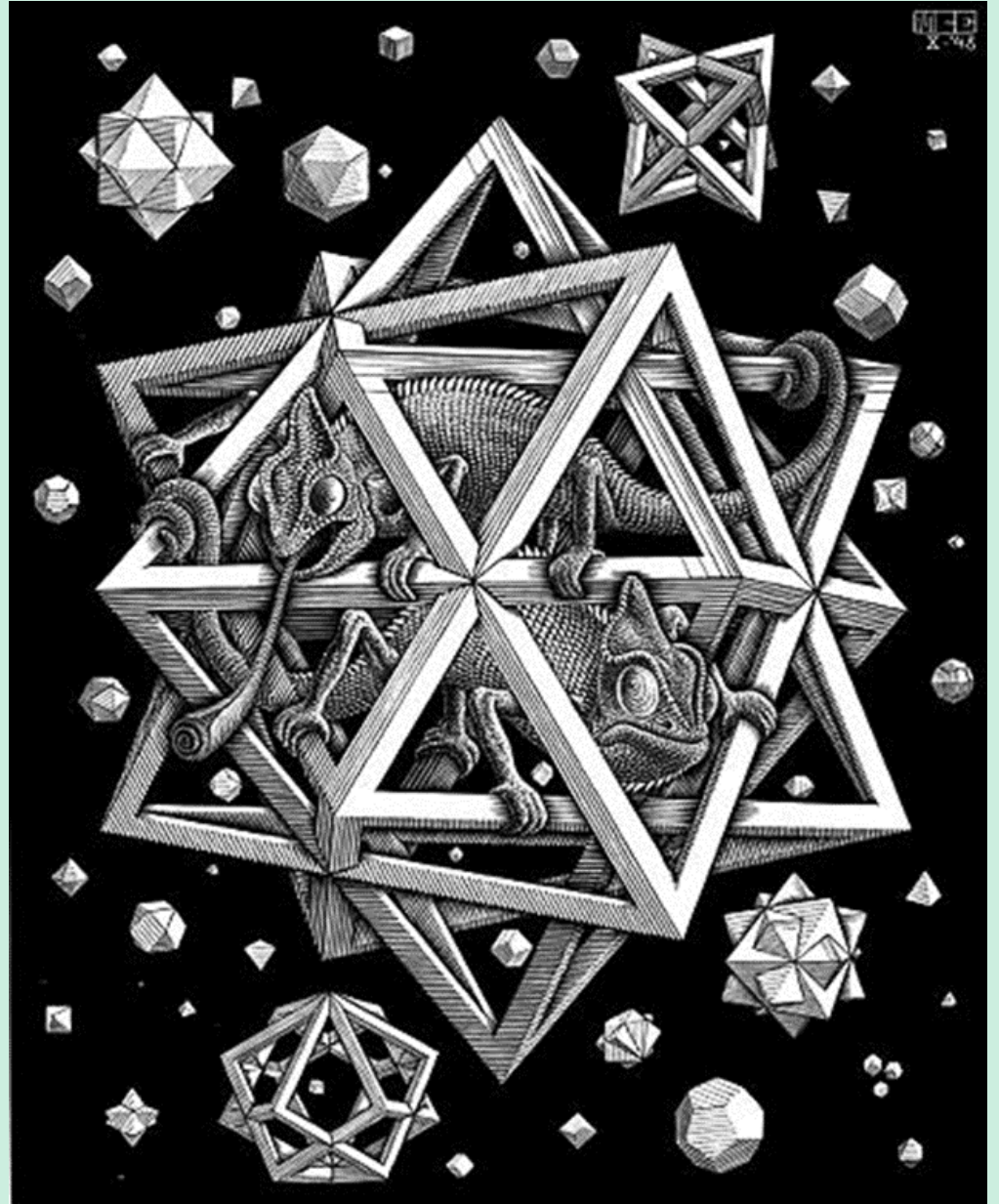
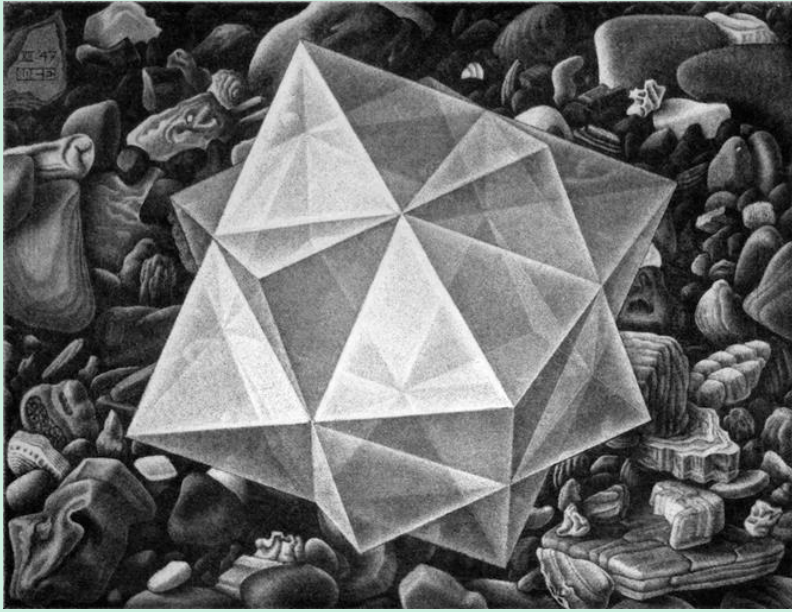
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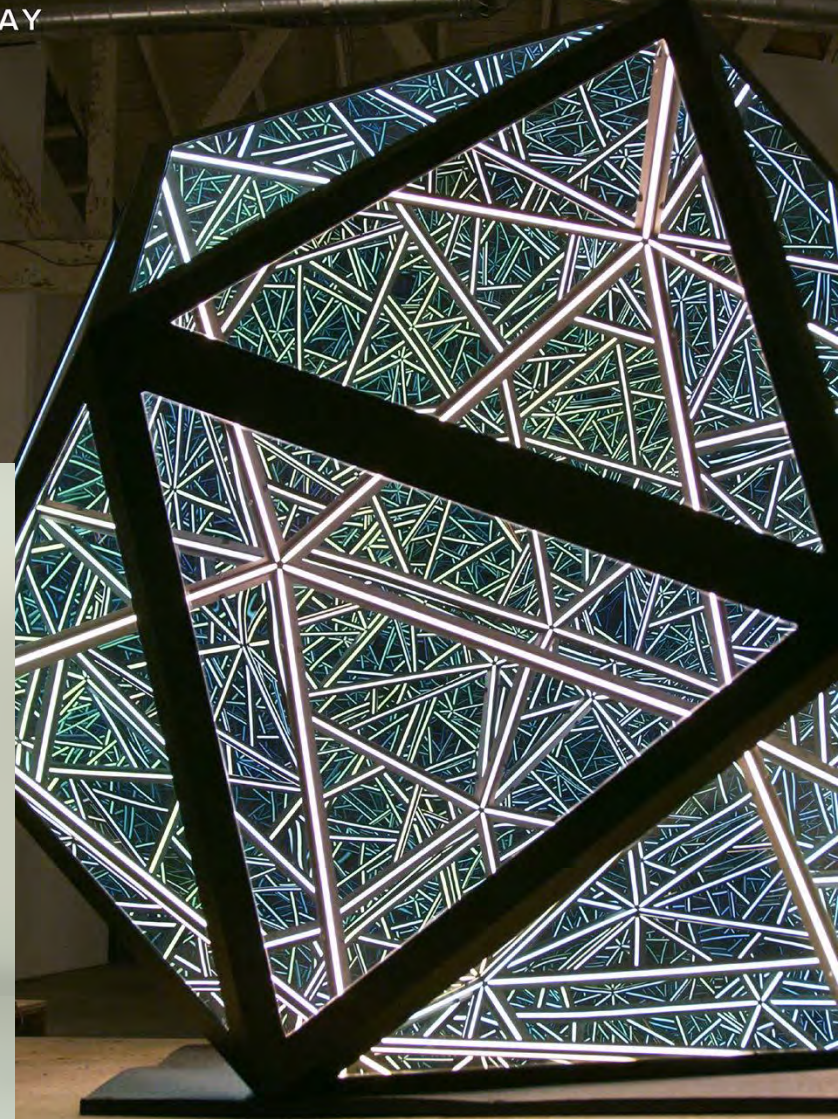
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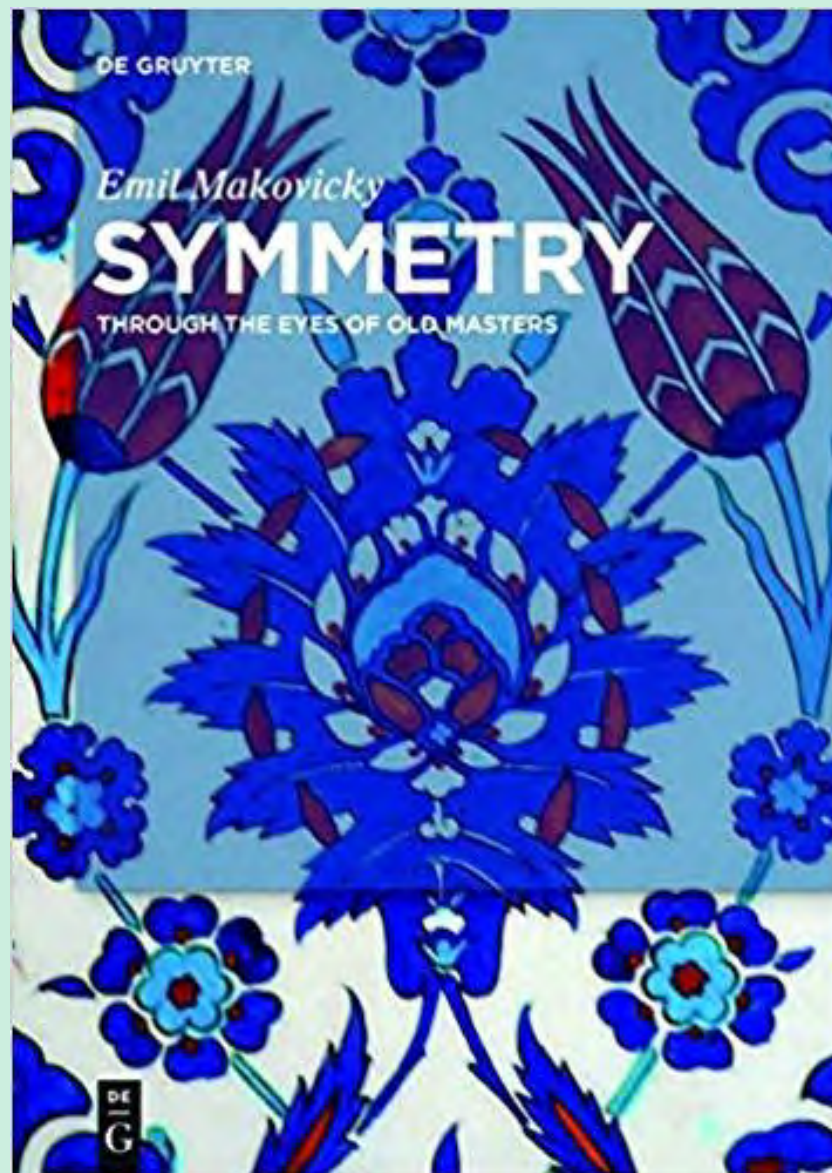
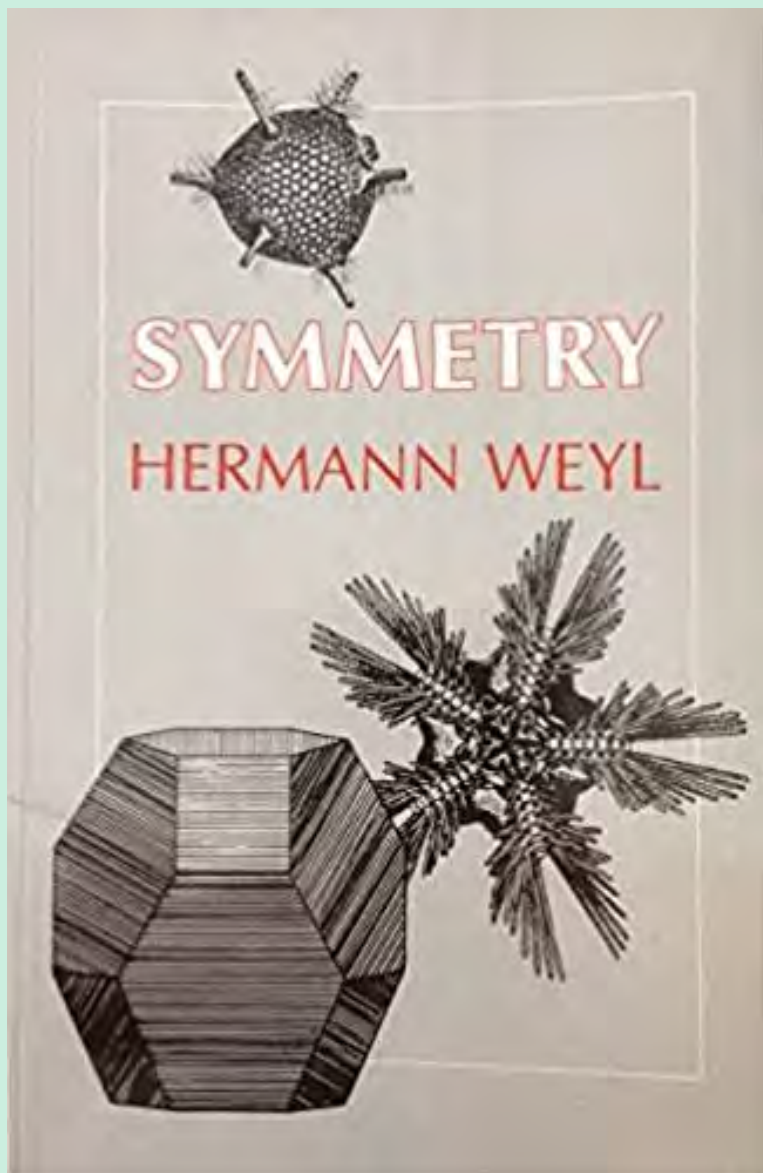
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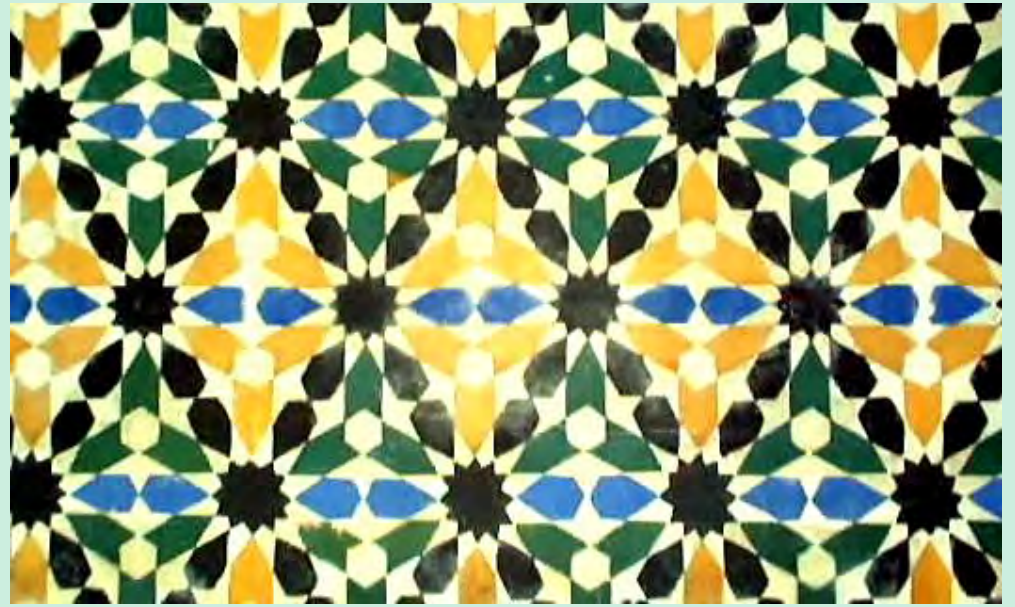
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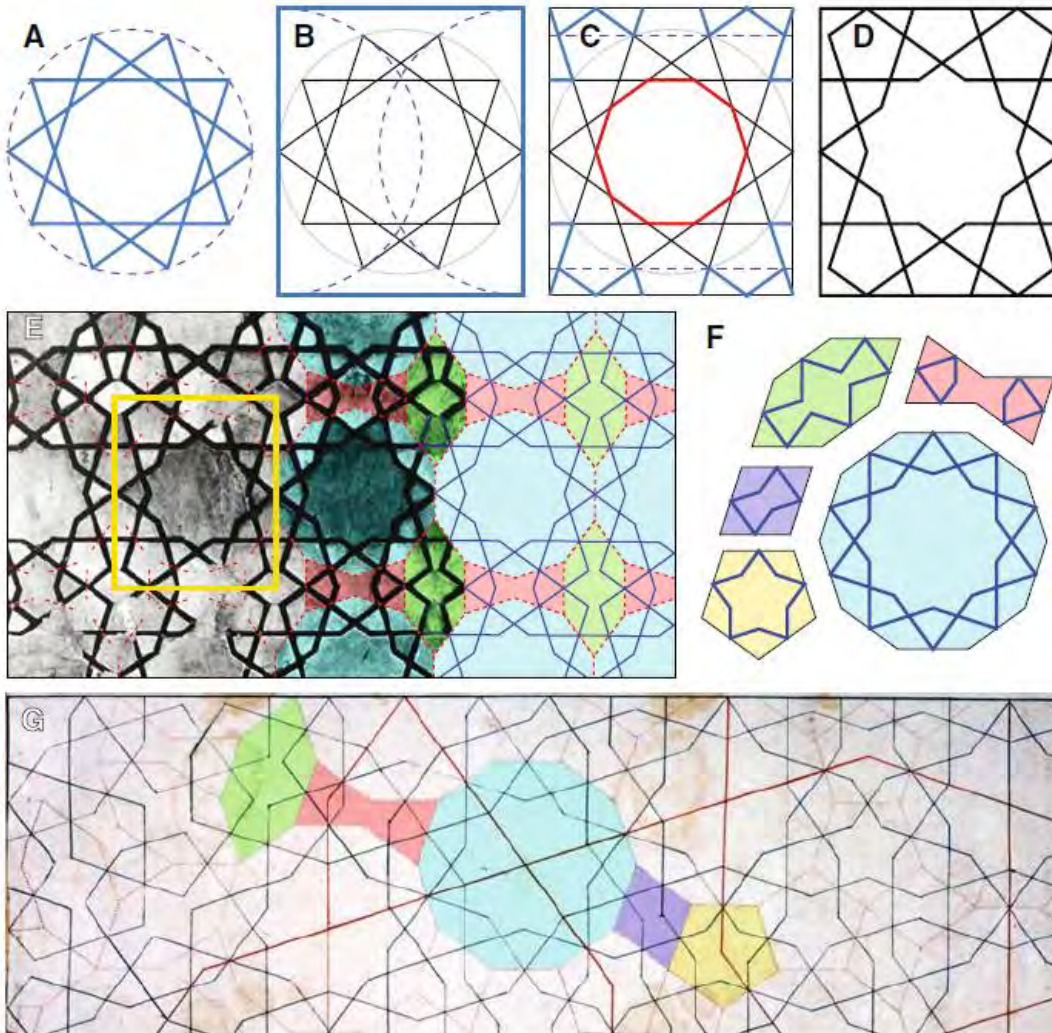




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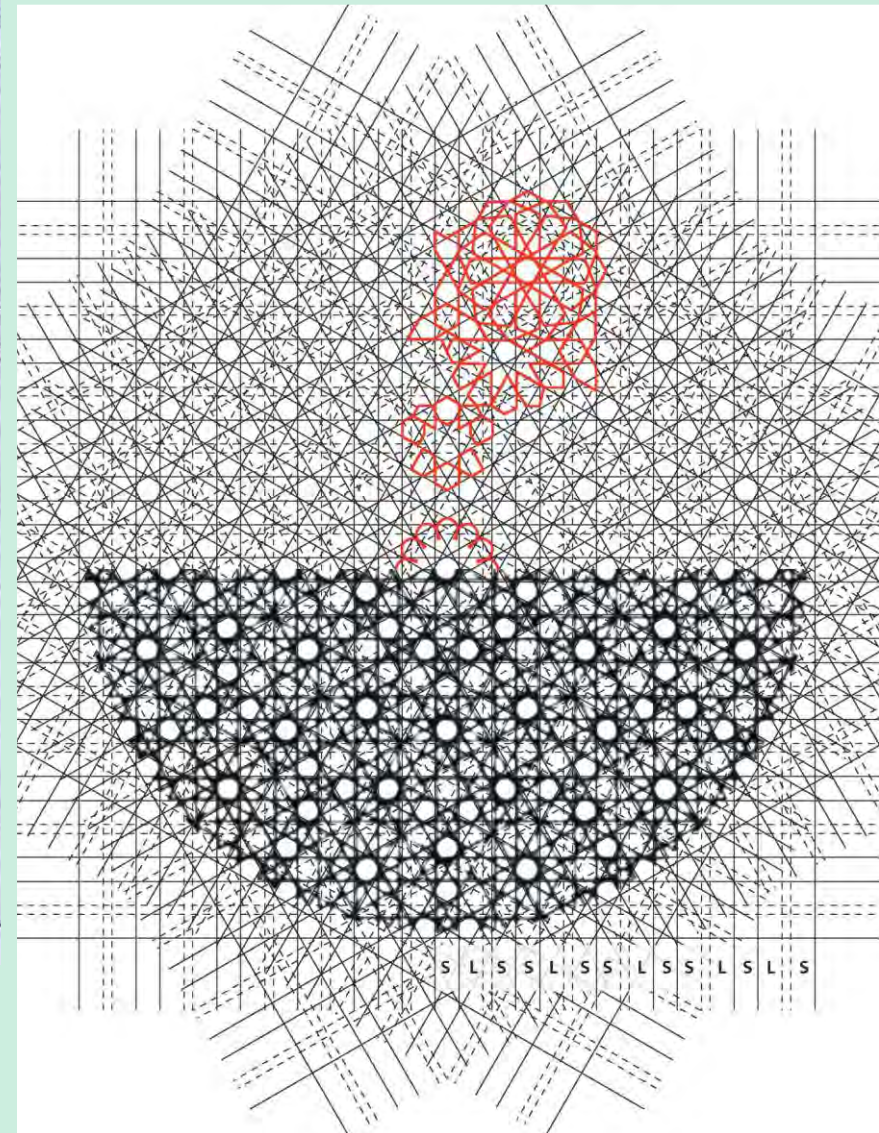
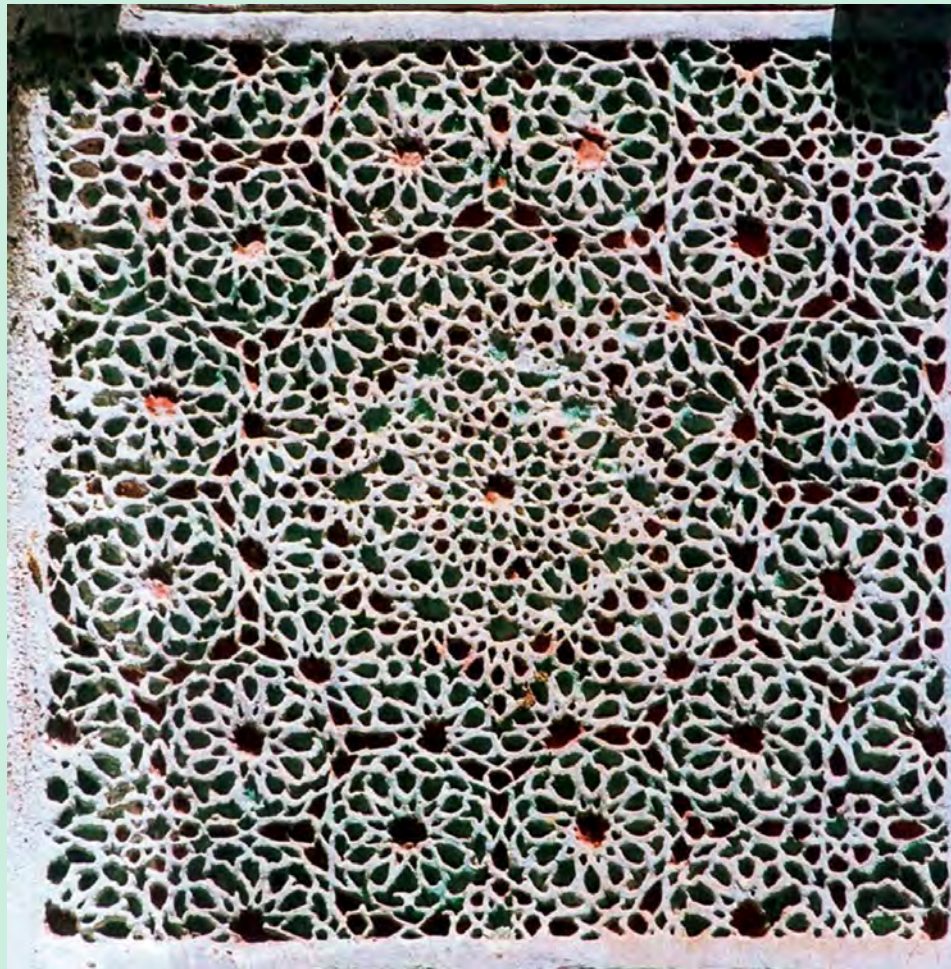
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The first find of dodecagonal quasiperiodic tiling in historical Islamic architecture

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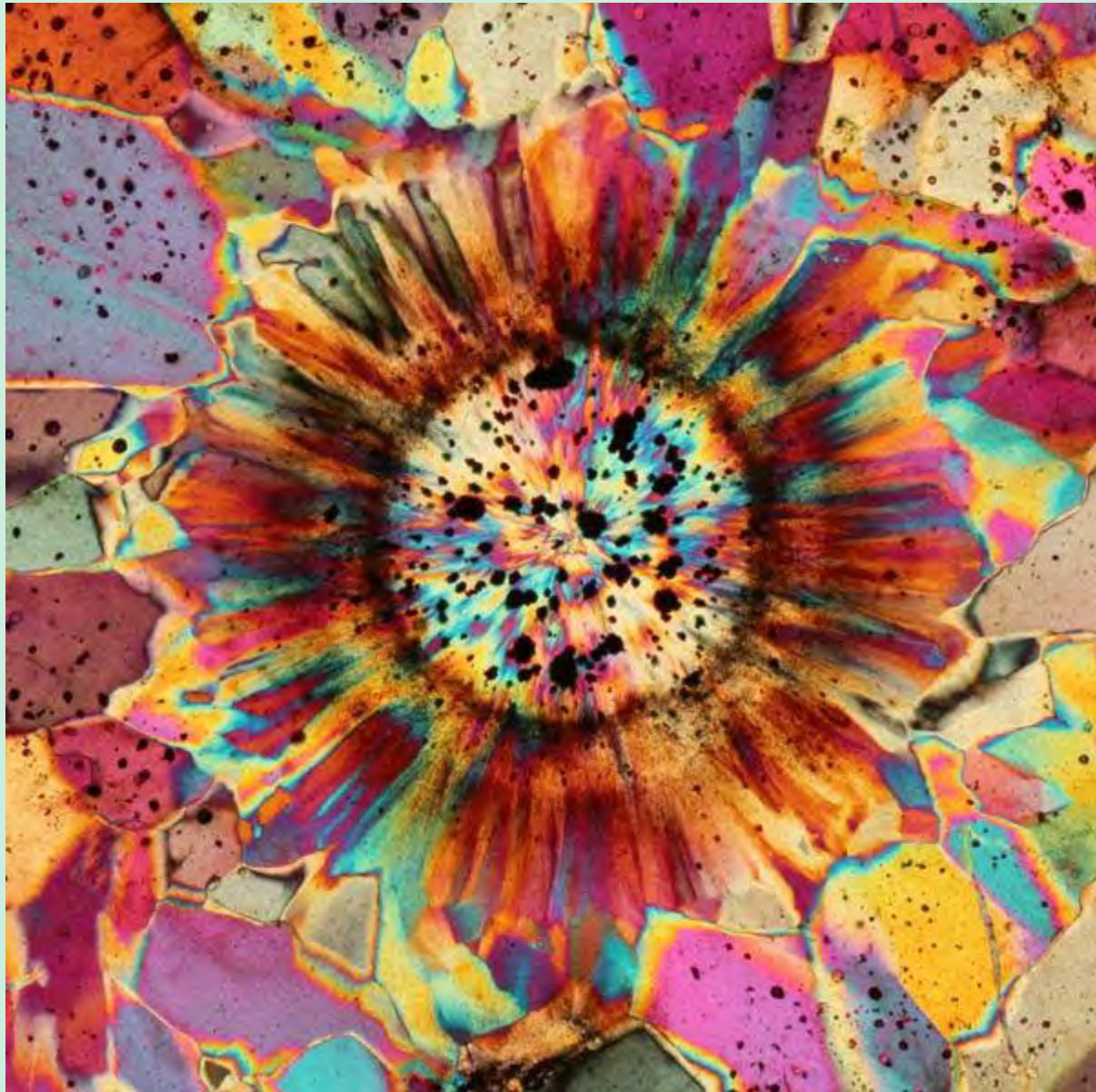
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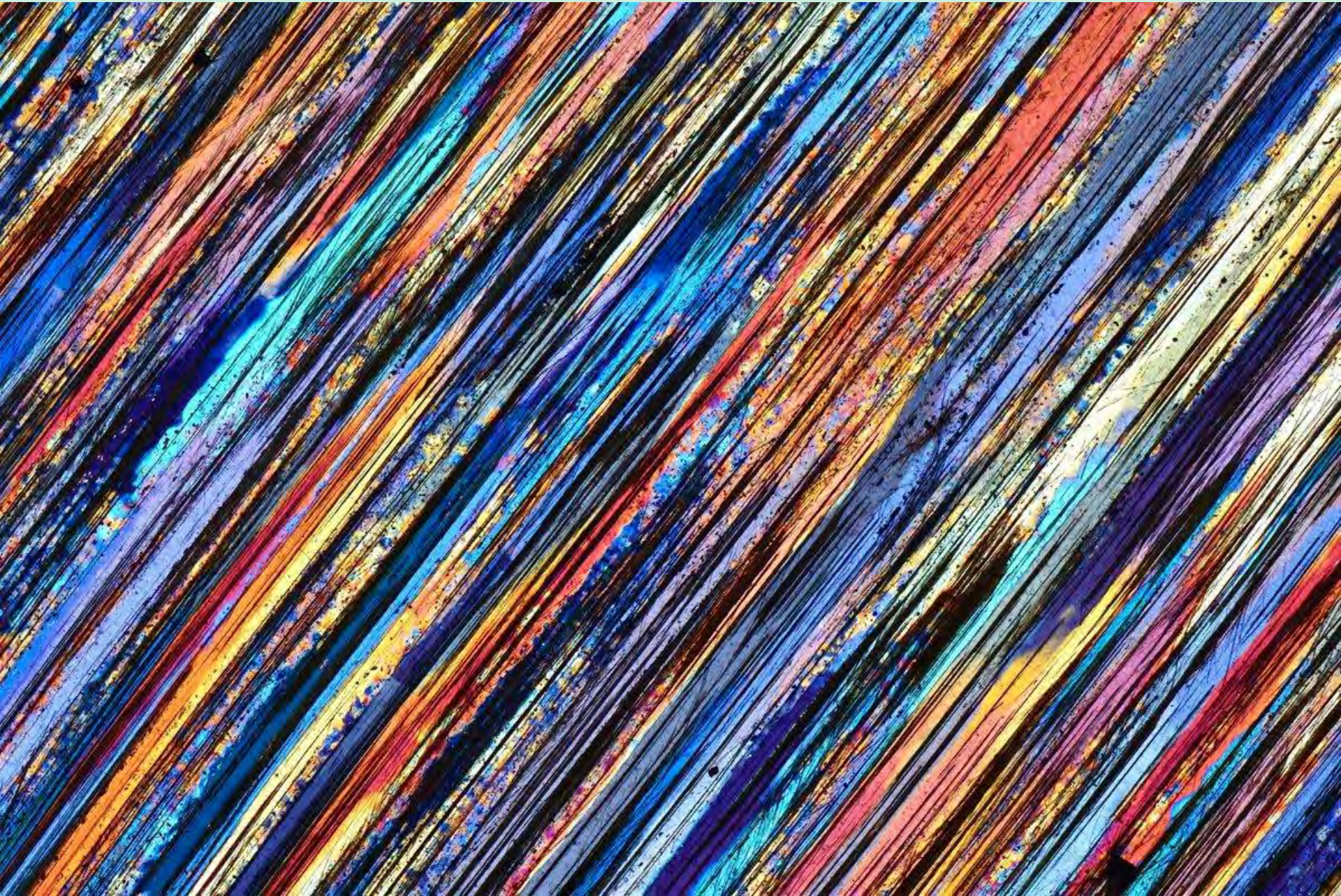
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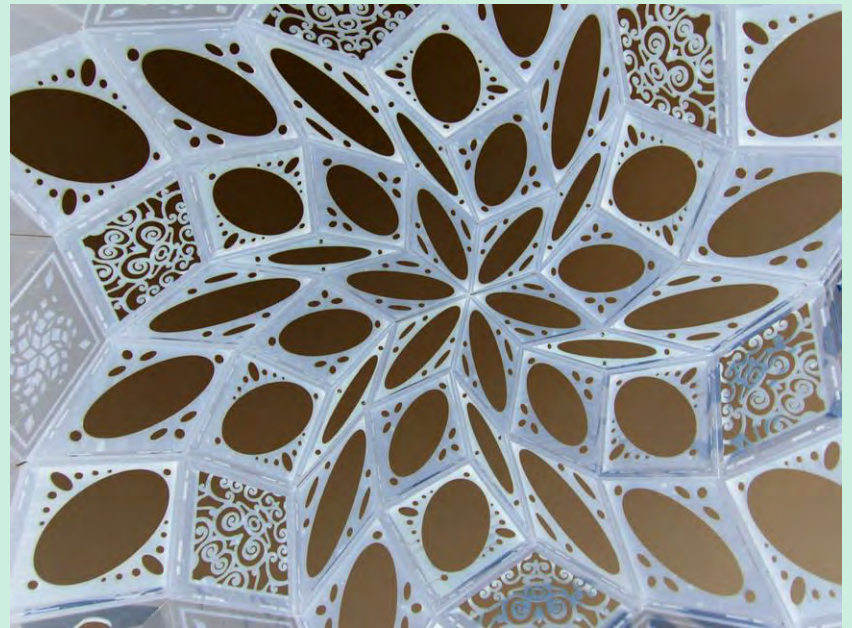
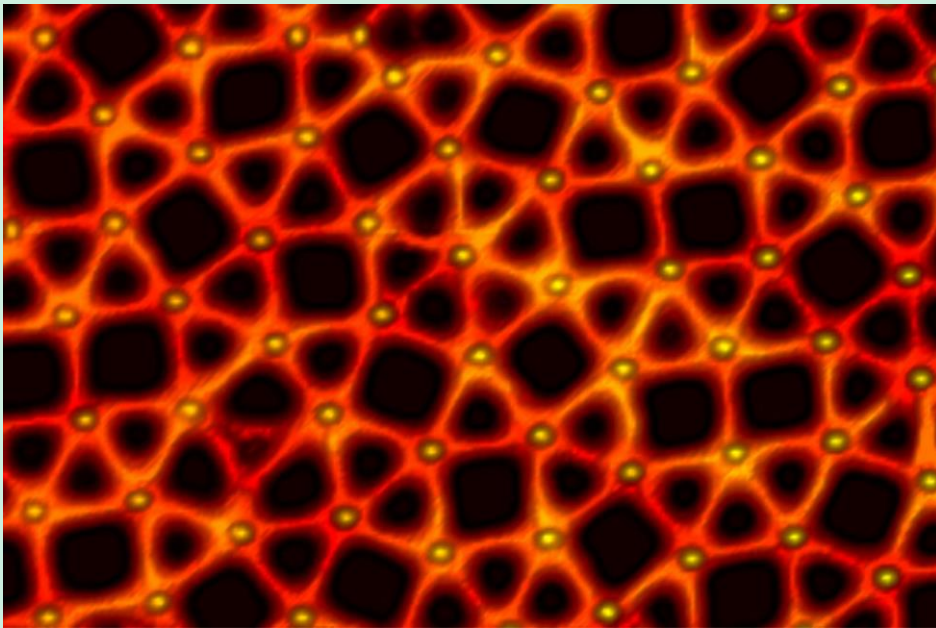
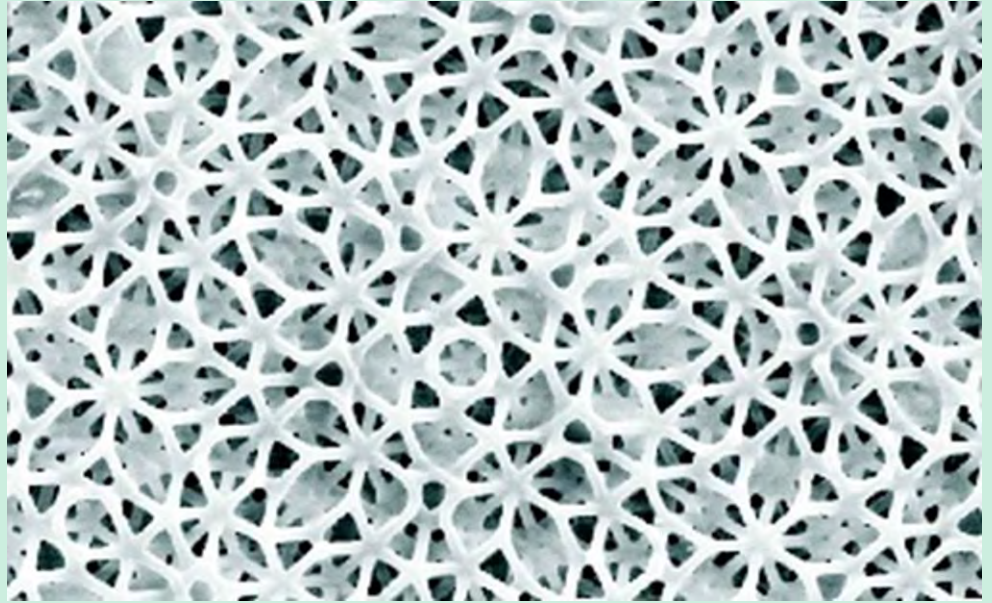
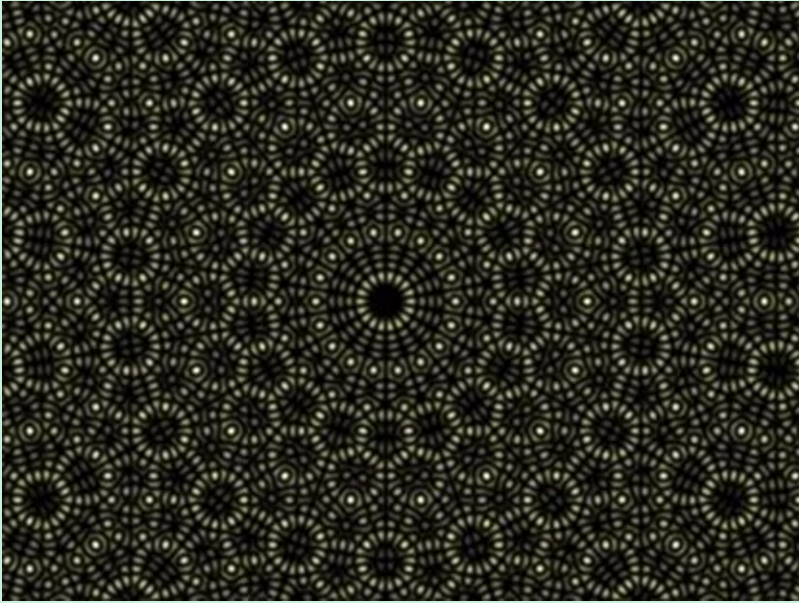




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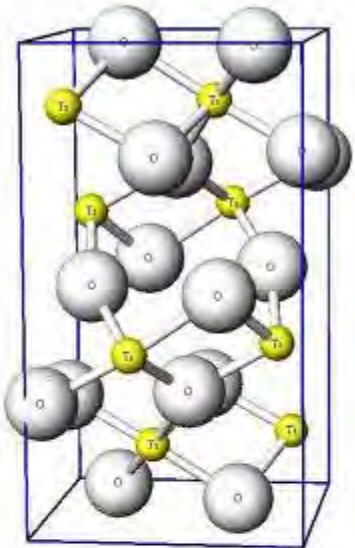
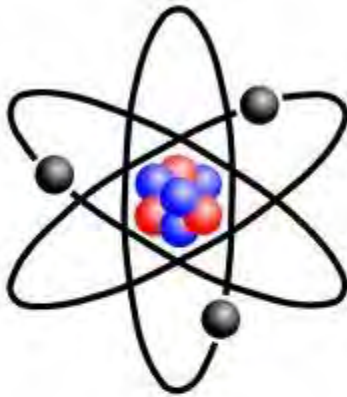
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spectroscopy



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diffraction

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Science for the cultural heritage: the contribution of X-ray diffraction

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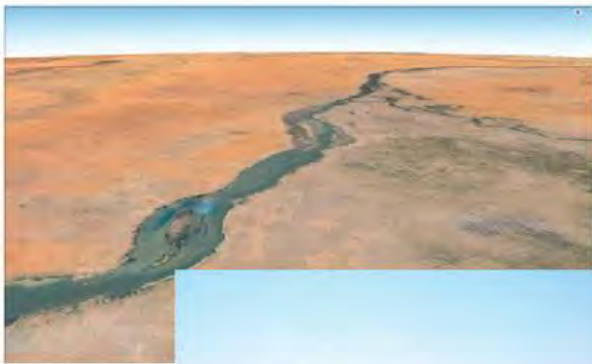


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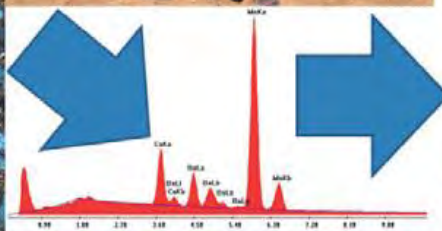
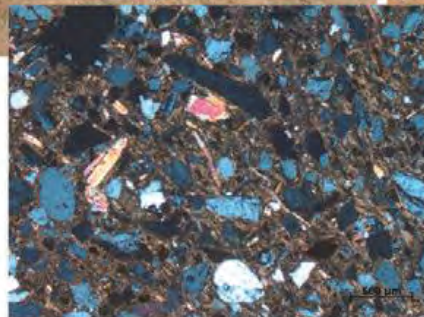
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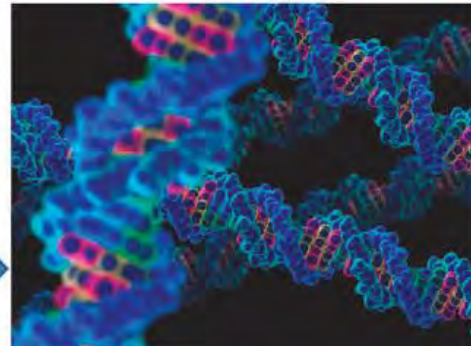
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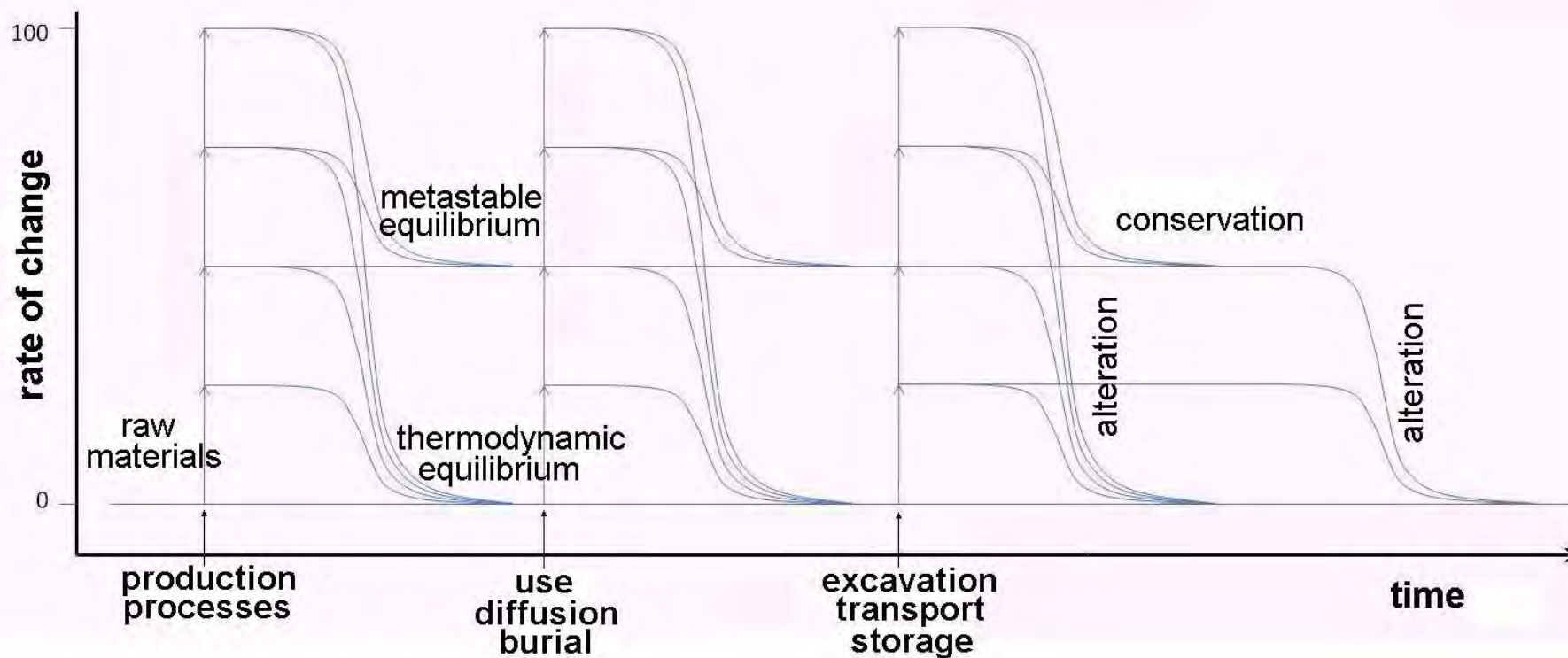
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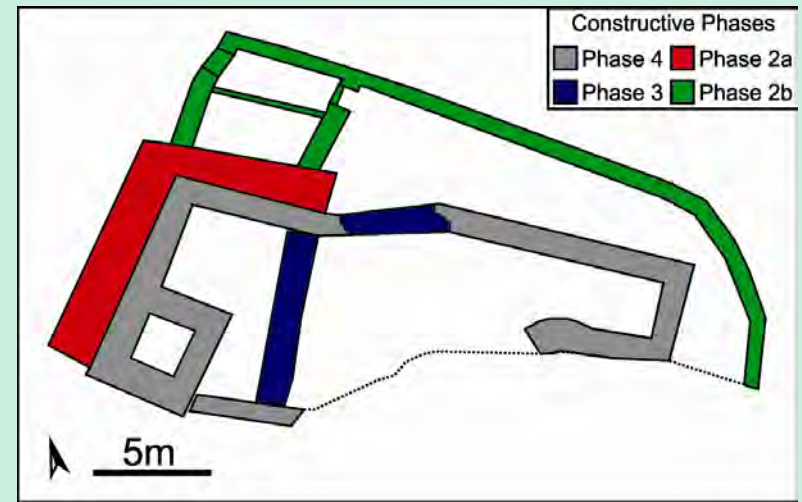
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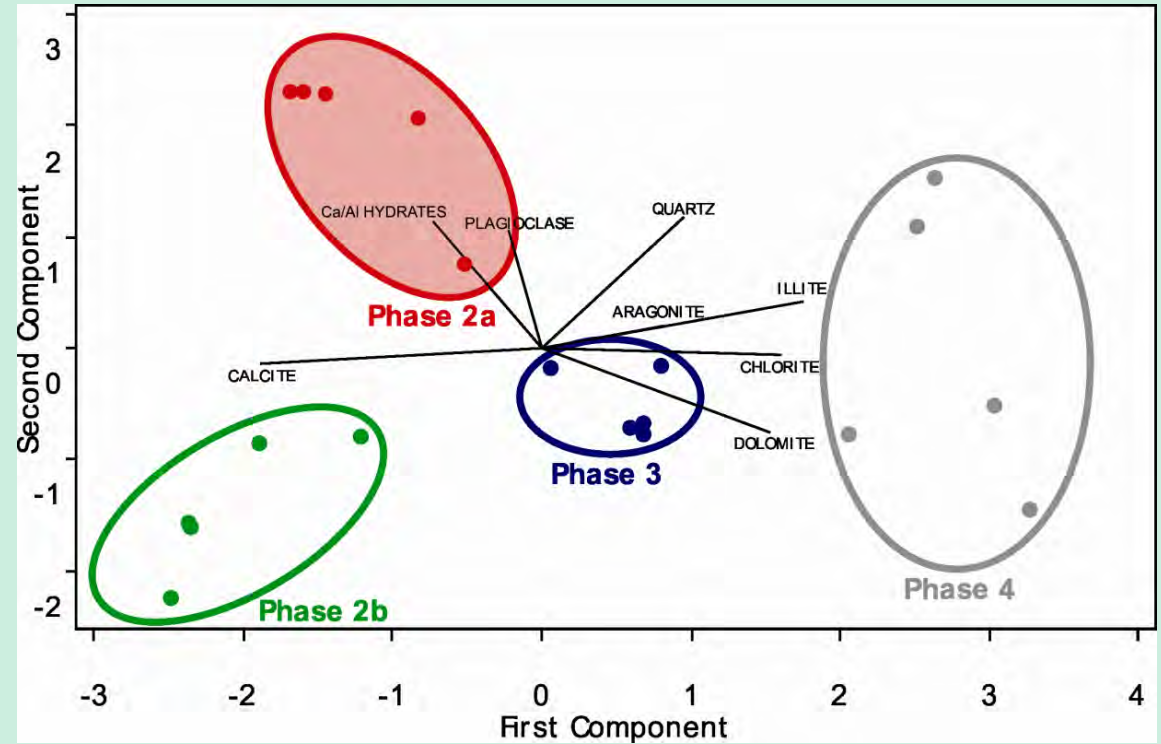


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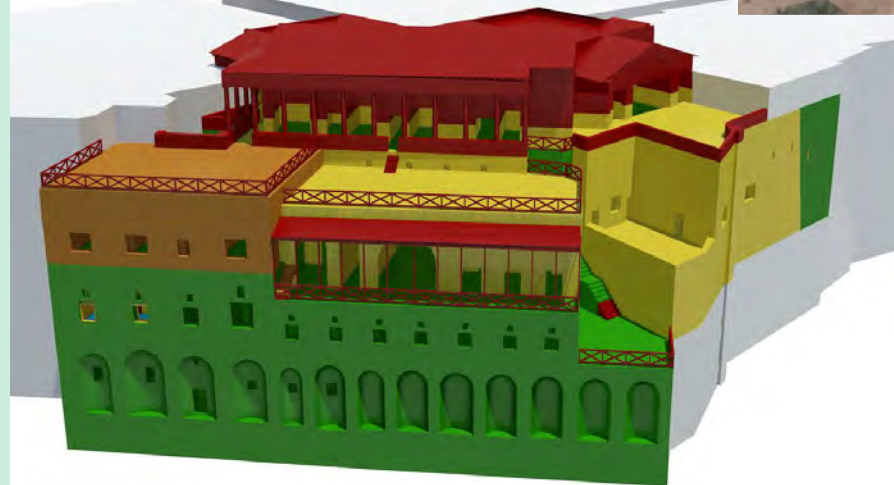
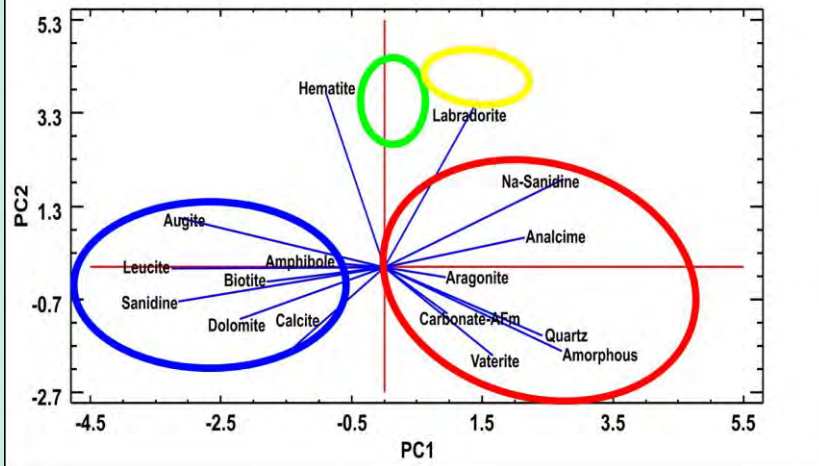
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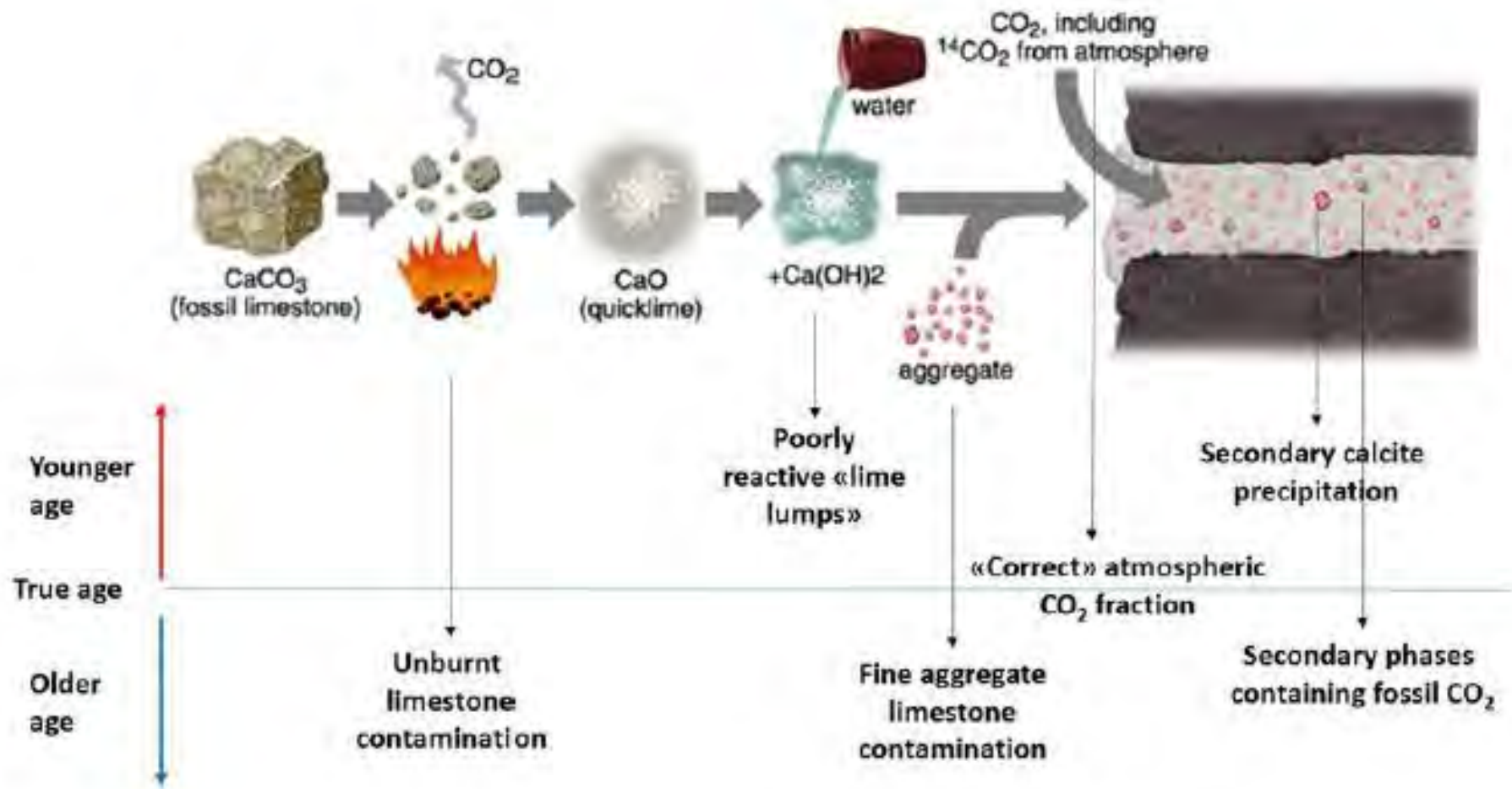
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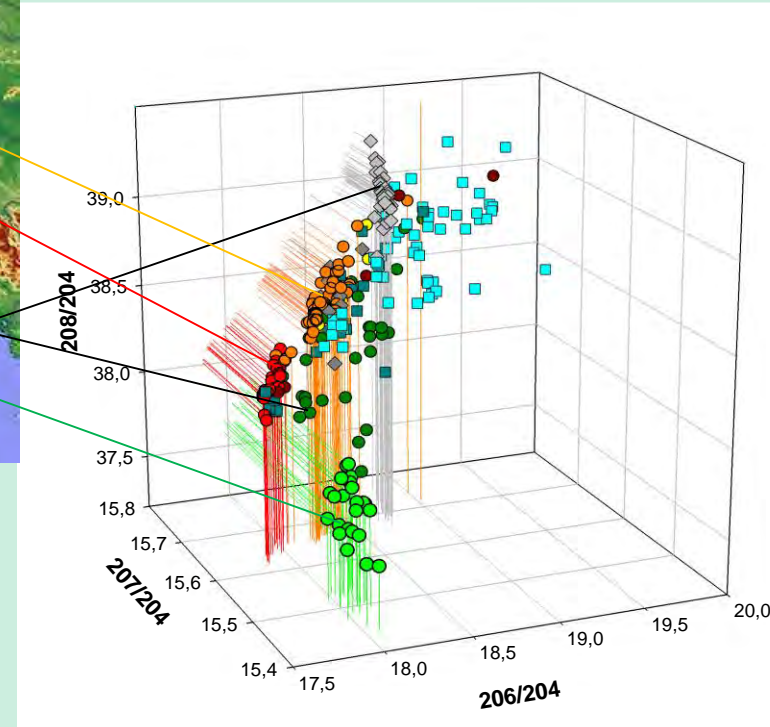
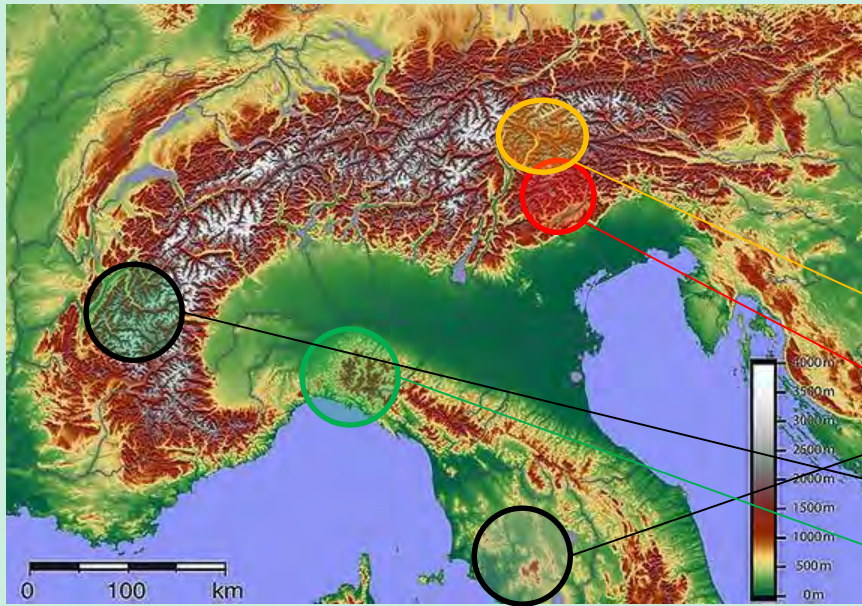


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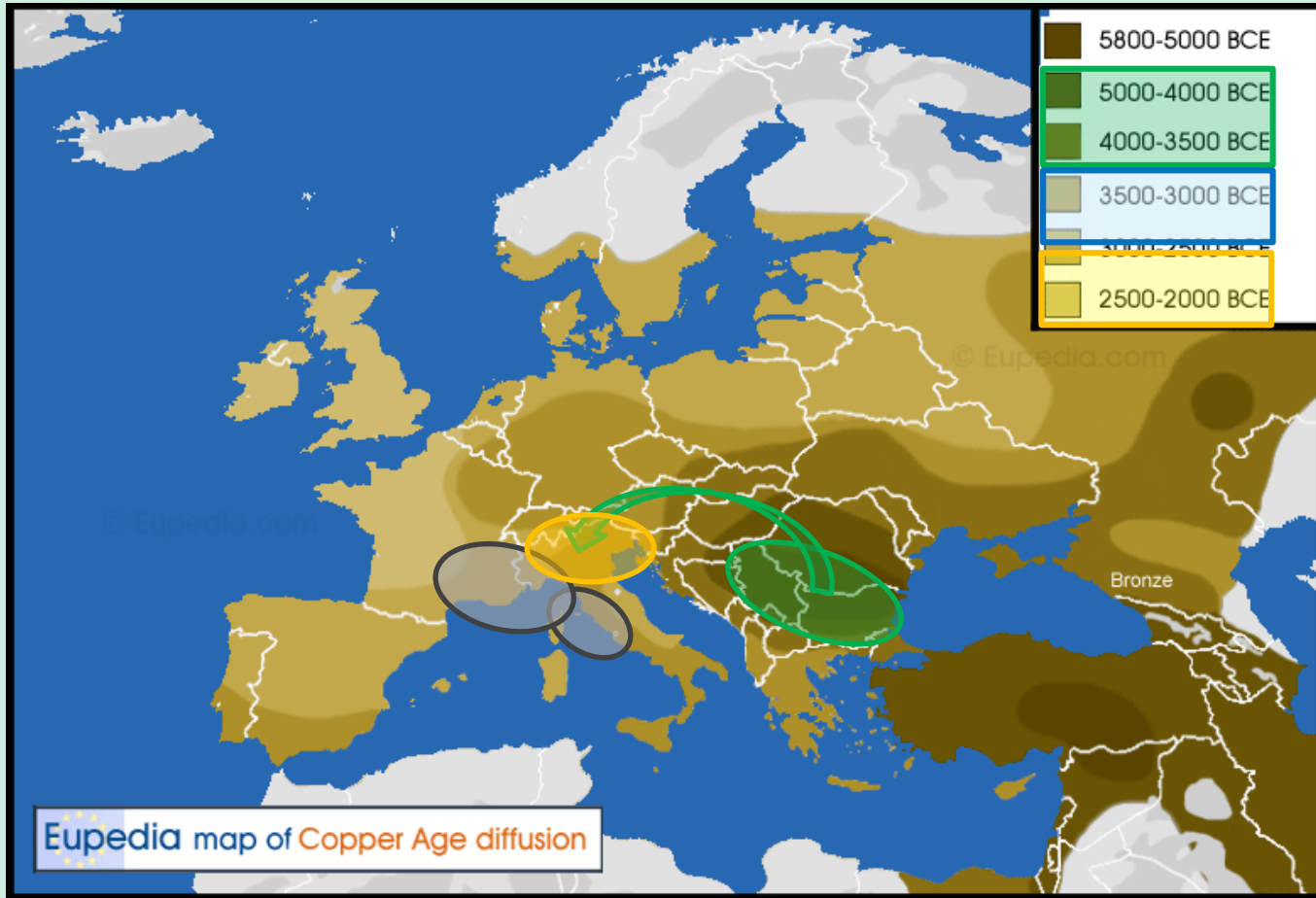


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Long-distance connections in the Copper Age: New evidence from the Alpine Iceman's copper axe

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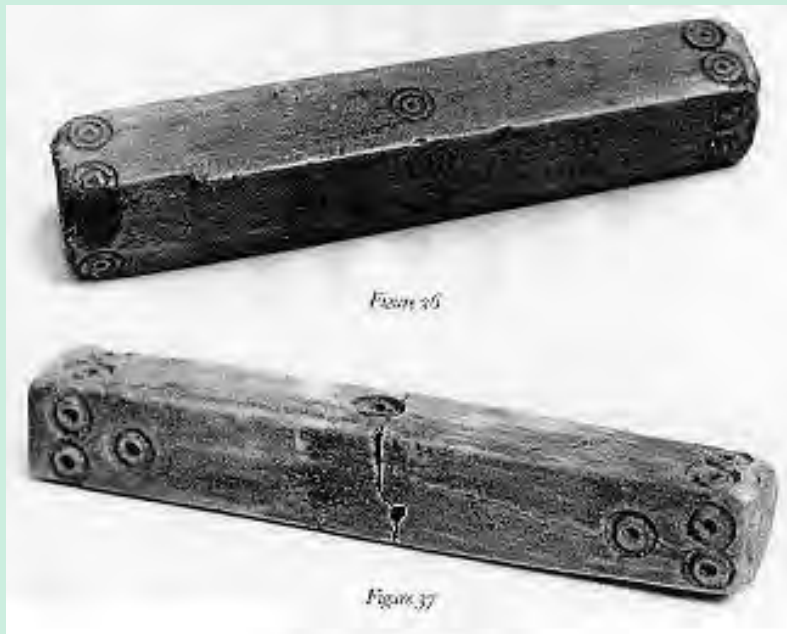


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Knucklebone
Astragalus
Tali





GAMBLING WITH ETRUSCAN DICE: A TALE OF NUMBERS AND LETTERS*

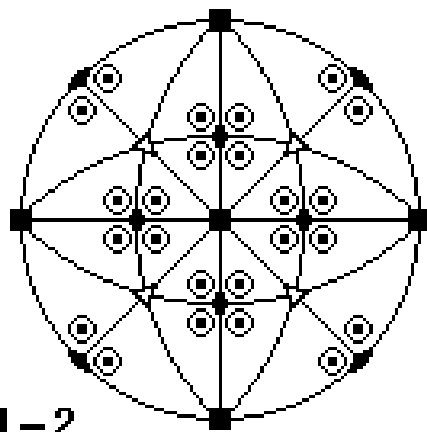
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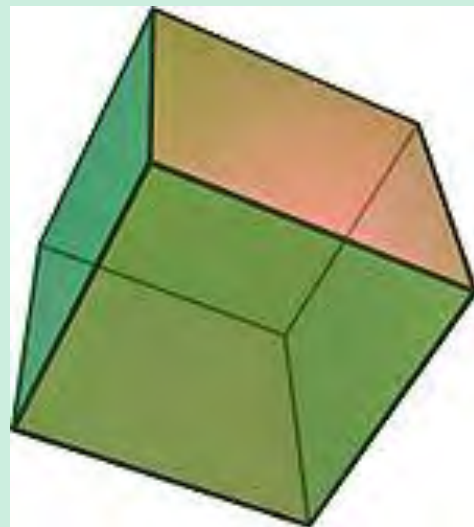
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theory of **random permutations** tells us that 6 numbers can be distributed on the 6 faces of the cube in **6! permutations**, thus offering **720** independent combinations containing no repetitions

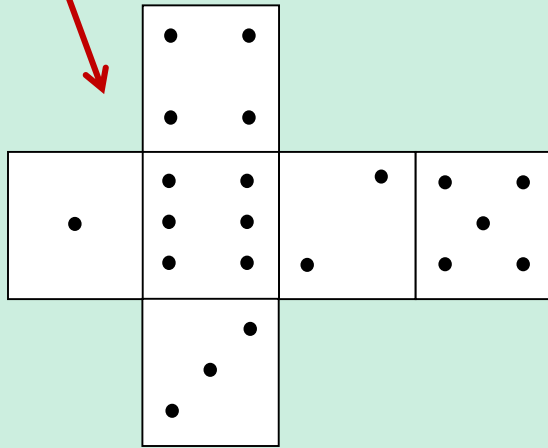
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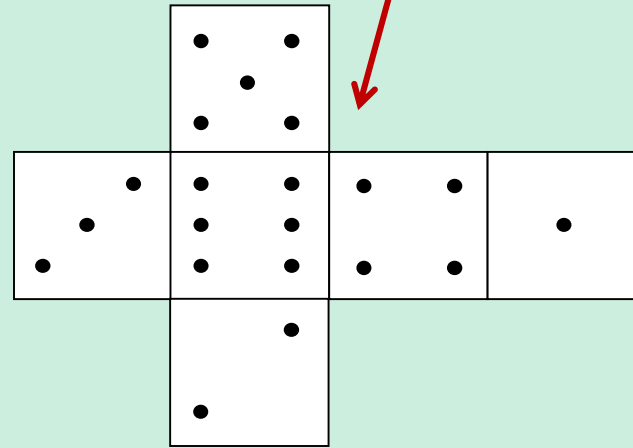
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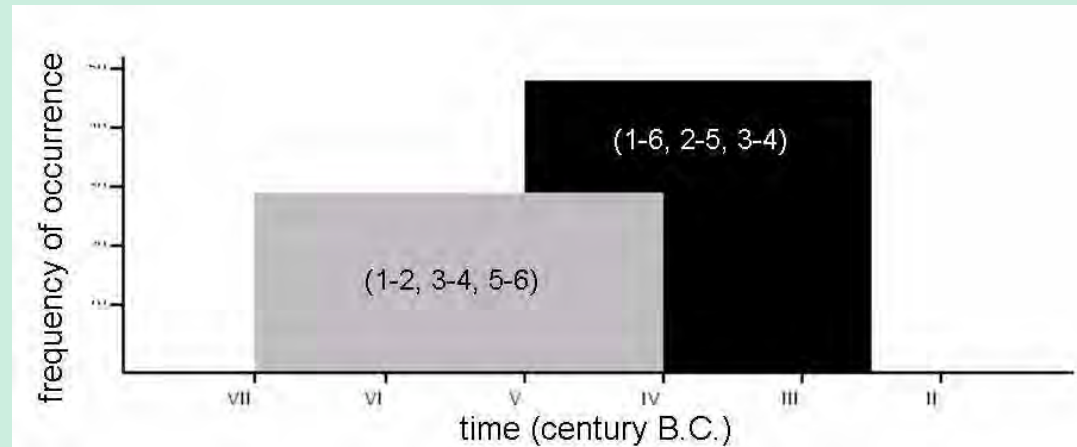
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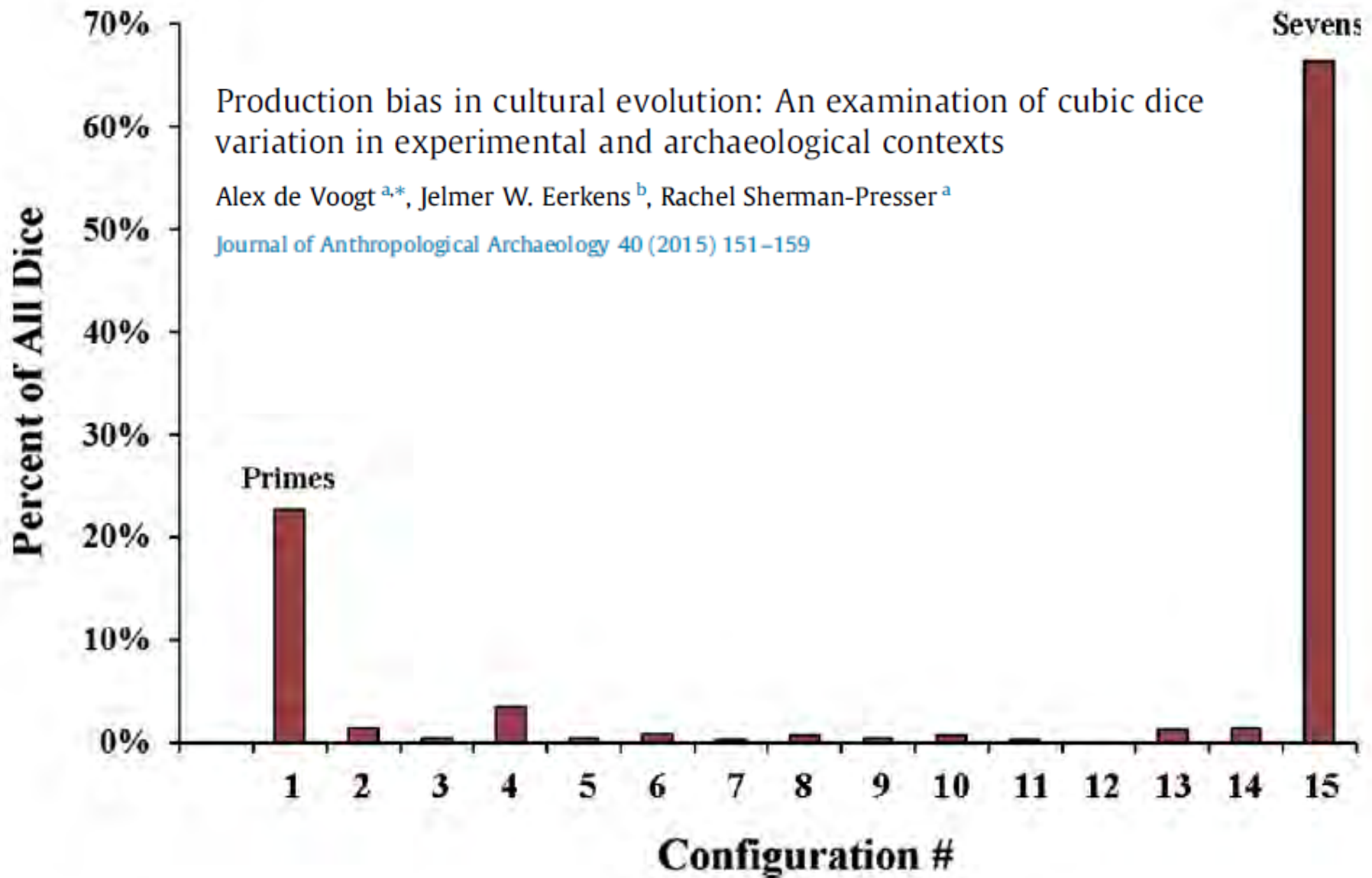


Fig. 2. Distribution of die configurations in a sample of ancient dice.

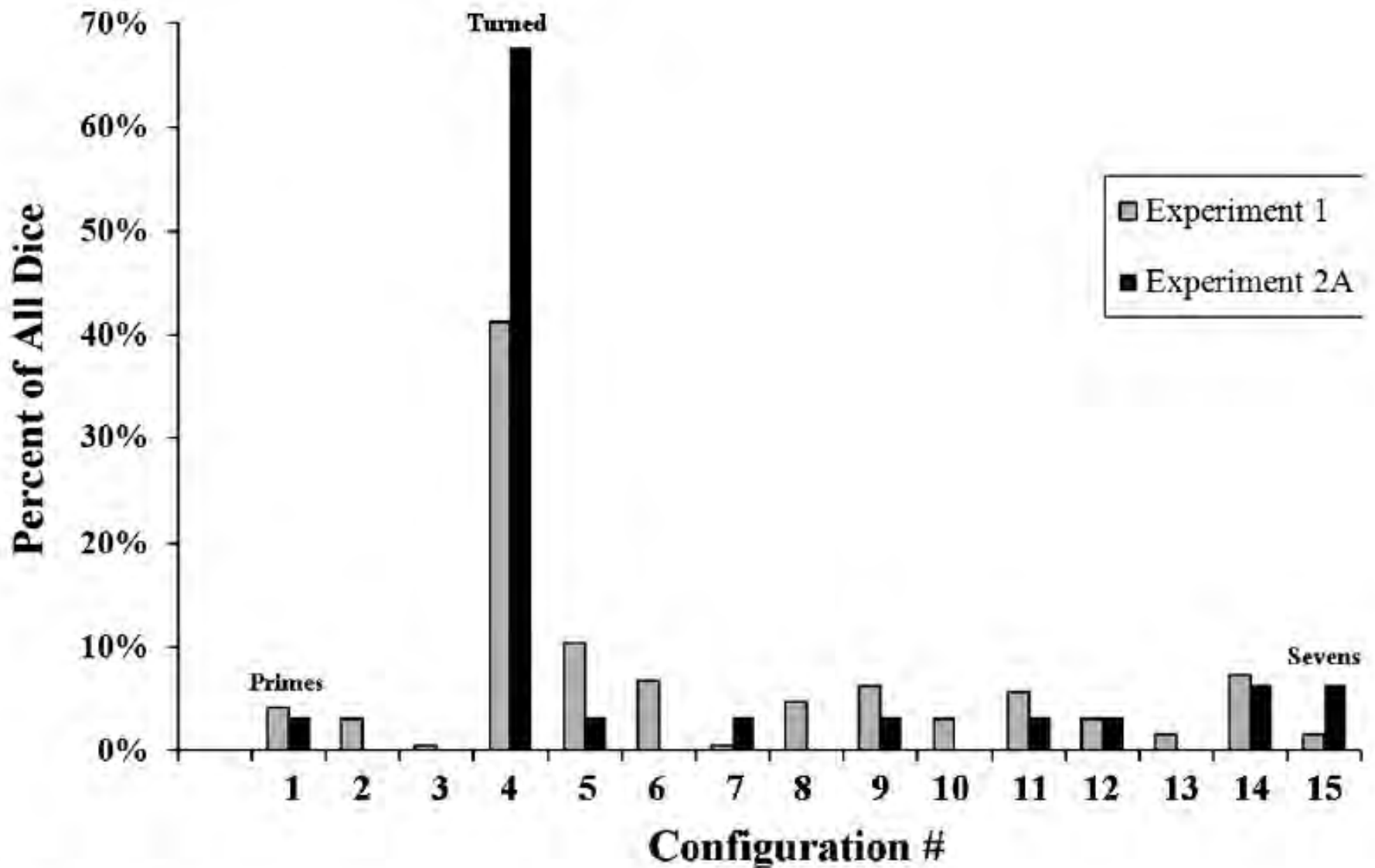


Fig. 4. Results of Experiments 1 and 2A, showing dominance of the “Turned” configuration.

Etruscan numerals

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The **Etruscan numerals** were used by the ancient [Etruscans](#). The system was adapted from the Greek [Attic numerals](#) and formed the inspiration for the later [Roman numerals](#).

Etruscan	Decimal	Symbol *
θu	1	┆
maχ	5	Λ
śar	10	X
muvalχ	50	↑
?	100	Ж or C

There is very little surviving evidence of these numerals. Examples are known of the symbols for larger numbers, but it is unknown which symbol represents which number.

Thanks to the numbers written out on the [Tuscania dice](#), there is agreement about the fact that **zal**, **ci**, **huθ** and **śa** are the numbers up to 6 (besides 1 and 5). The assignment depends on the answer to the question whether the numbers on opposite faces on Etruscan dice add up to seven, like nowadays. Some dice found do not show this proposed pattern.

The general consensus

[\[edit\]](#)

Despite the continuing debate specifically about which of huθ and śa are "four" and "six", the general agreement among Etruscologists nowadays is the following:

Etruscan	Decimal
θu	1
zal	2
ci	3
huθ	4
maχ	5
śa	6

Year	Author	Numerical assignment					
		1	2	3	4	5	6
1968	Olzscha	<i>thu</i>	<i>zal</i>	<i>ci</i>	<i>huth</i>	<i>mach</i>	<i>sa</i>
1969	Pfiffig	<i>thu</i>	<i>zal</i>	<i>ci</i>	<i>sa</i>	<i>mach</i>	<i>huth</i>
1973	Cristofani	<i>thu</i>	<i>zal</i>	<i>ci</i>	<i>huth (sa?)</i>	<i>mach</i>	<i>sa (huth?)</i>
1976	Savelli	<i>thu</i>	<i>huth</i>	<i>zal</i>	<i>mach</i>	<i>Ci</i>	<i>sa</i>
1983	Bonfante	<i>thu</i>	<i>zal</i>	<i>ci</i>	<i>sa</i>	<i>mach</i>	<i>huth</i>
1984	Pallottino	<i>thu</i>	<i>zal</i>	<i>ci</i>	<i>huth (sa?)</i>	<i>mach</i>	<i>sa (huth?)</i>
1989	Rix	<i>thu</i>	<i>zal</i>	<i>ci</i>	<i>huth</i>	<i>mach</i>	<i>sa</i>
1990	Pittau	<i>thu</i>	<i>zal</i>	<i>ci</i>	<i>huth</i>	<i>mach</i>	<i>sa</i>
1991	Morandi	<i>thu</i>	<i>zal</i>	<i>ci</i>	<i>huth</i>	<i>mach</i>	<i>sa</i>
1995	Agostiniani	<i>thu</i>	<i>zal</i>	<i>ci</i>	<i>sa</i>	<i>mach</i>	<i>huth</i>



mach = 5



sa = 4

huth = 6

ci = 3

thu = 1

zal = 2



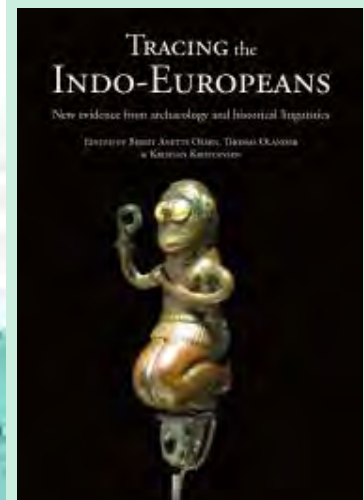
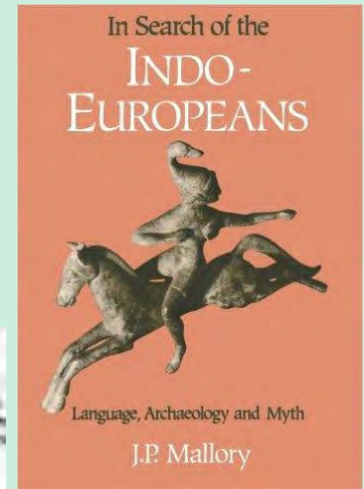
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.... in this connection, in October 2011, Artioli and colleagues presented evidence from 93 Etruscan dice "allowing the firm attribution of the numeral 6 to the graphical value huth and 4 to sa".

Much debate has been carried out about a possible Indo-European origin of the Etruscan cardinals. In the words of Larissa Bonfante (1990), "What these numerals show, beyond any shadow of a doubt, is the **non-Indo-European** nature of the Etruscan language".[4]



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