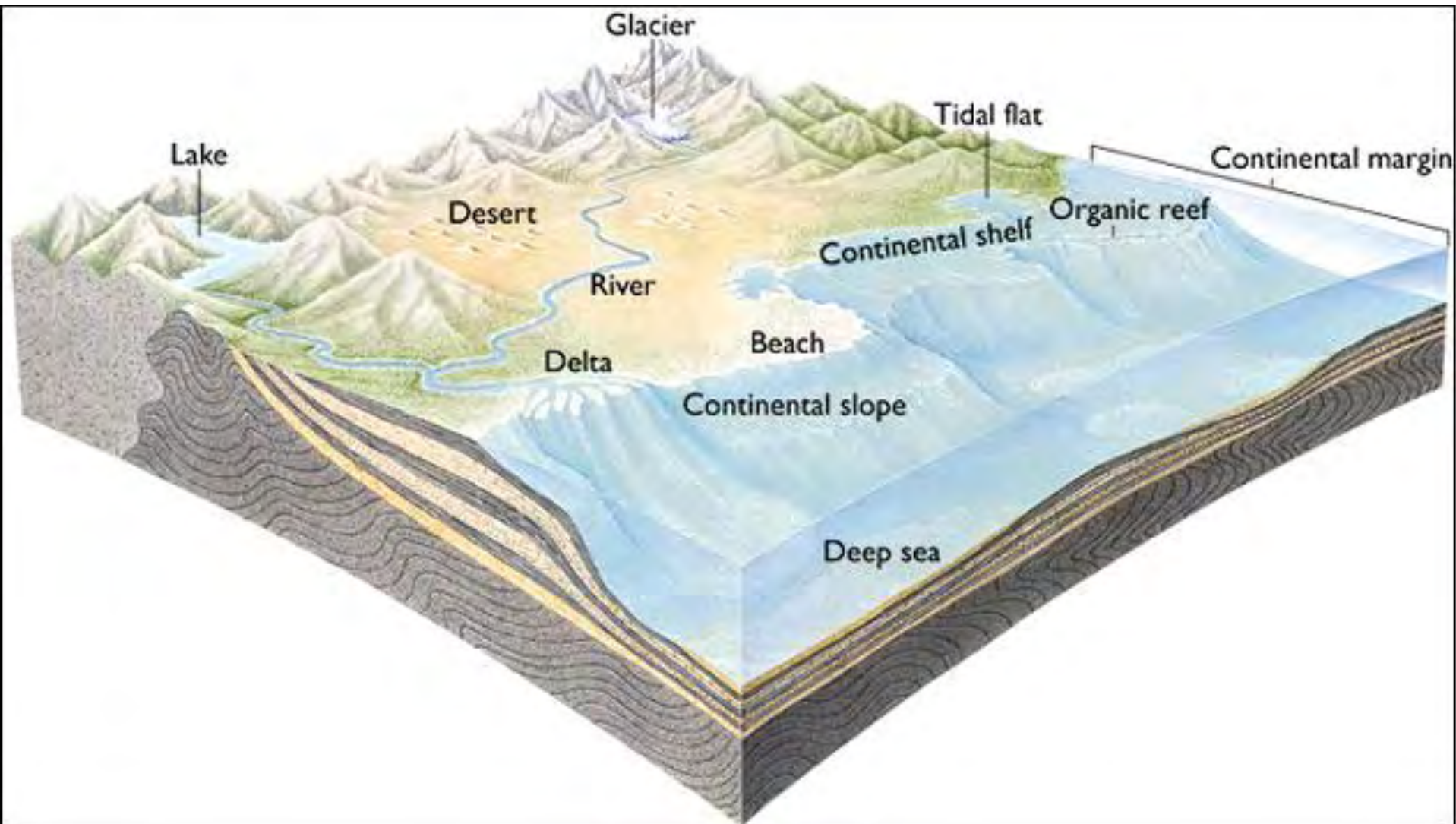


Sedimenti

Stefano Lugli



Proprietà base

- Composizione: mineralogica, chimica
- Tessitura: caratteristiche dei componenti (granuli)
- Struttura: stratificazione

- Sabbia:
- quarzosa, carbonatica
- granuli di varie dimensioni a spigoli vivi o arrotondati
- stratificazione prodotta da onde nella spiaggia o da vento nel deserto

Classificazione dei sedimenti

- **Componenti terrigeni:** derivano dalla disgregazione e frammentazione di rocce preesistenti e vengono trasportate nel bacino di sedimentazione come particelle singole (granuli di quarzo, feldspato, frammenti di calcare, ecc.)
- **Componenti allochimici:** particelle originate per precipitazione chimica o secrezione organica direttamente nel bacino di sedimentazione dove possono essere poi spostate e accumulate (gusci interi)
- **Componenti ortochimici** precipitati chimici prodotti all'interno del bacino o nel sedimento stesso e non hanno subito trasporto (concrezioni)

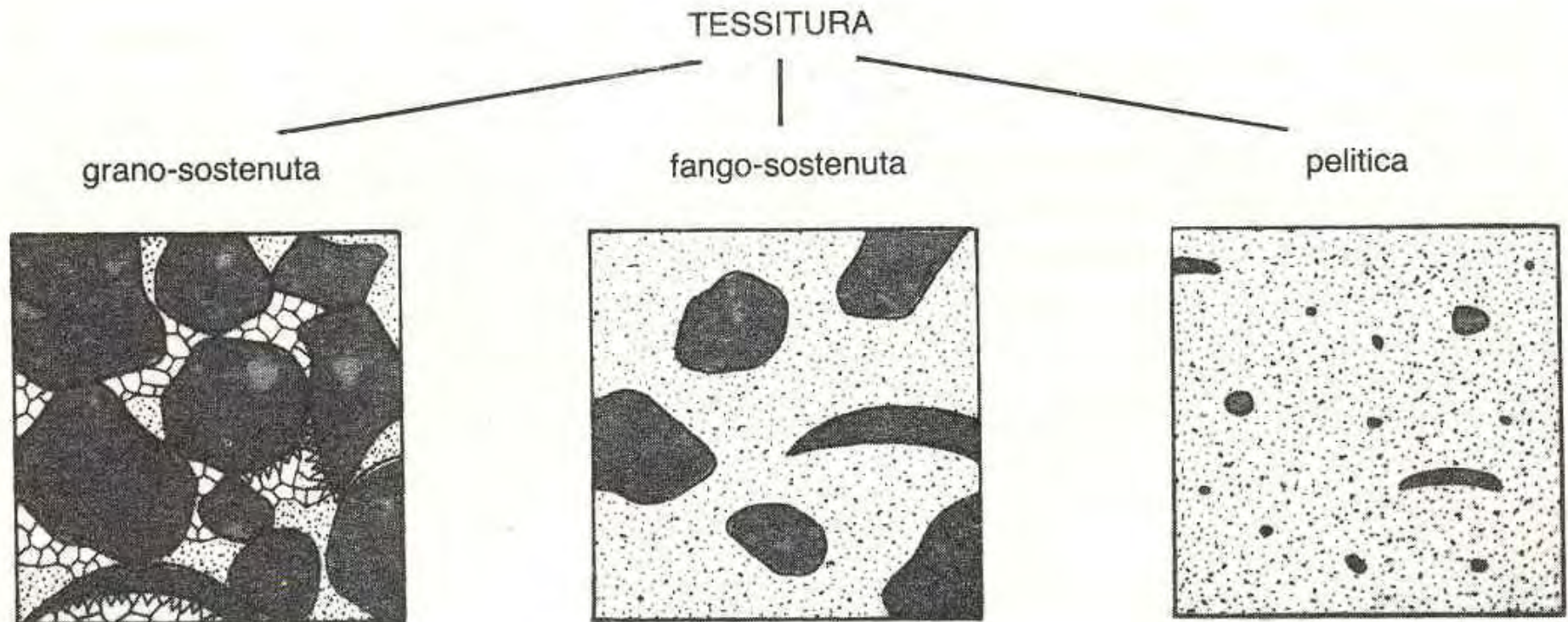
Rocce particellari o granulari

- Rocce terrigene o epiclastiche (conglomerati, arenarie e argille)
- Rocce piroclastiche (tufi, ialoclastiti)

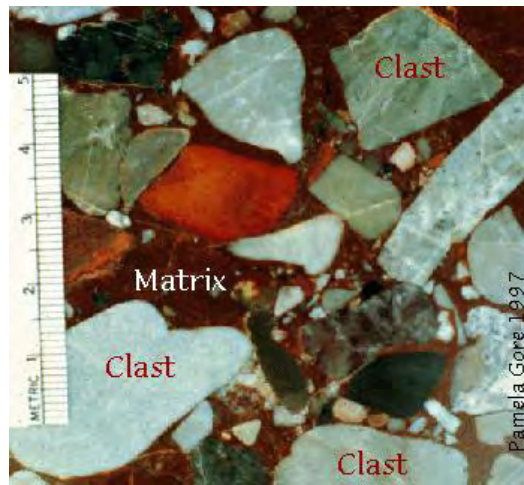
Componenti tessiturali dei sedimenti

- Granuli: ossatura che sostiene il peso del sedimento
- Vuoti: occupati da fluidi o fango che fa da matrice dell'impalcatura granulare (successivamente possono essere eliminati dal costipamento o riempiti da precipitati chimici)
- Impalcatura granulare (granuli), fango detritico (matrice) e precipitati chimici (cemento)

Tessitura e matrice: significato idrodinamico



Alta energia



Bassa energia

Composizione

Granuli terrigeni

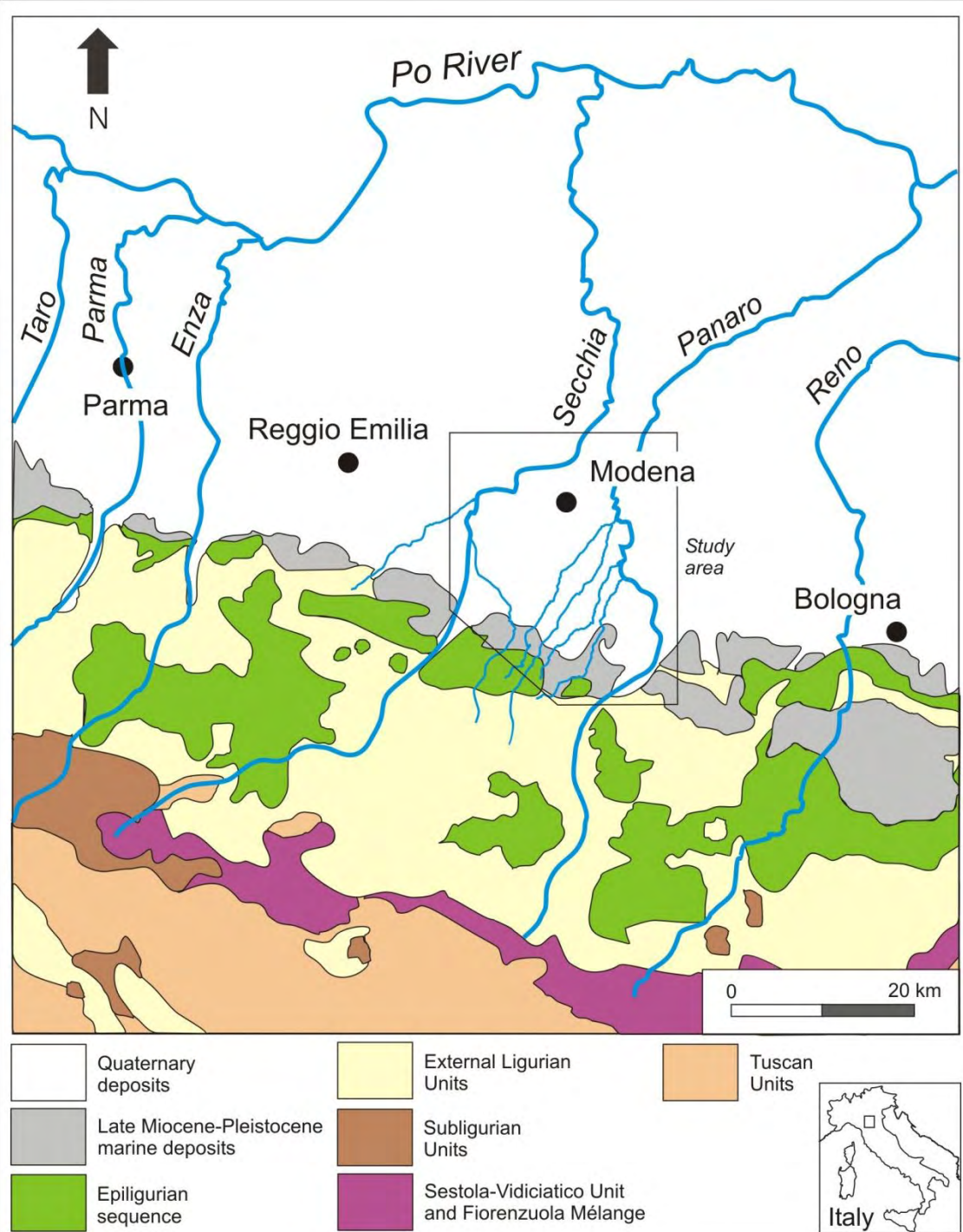
Area provenienza

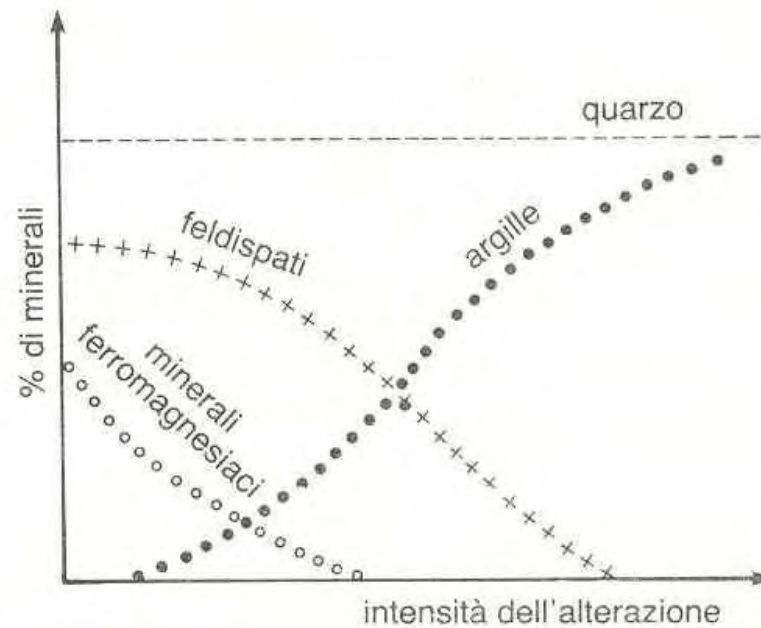
Clima e rilievo (stabilità chimica)

Durata e intensità del trasporto (resistenza meccanica)

Minerali ortochimici

Condizioni chimiche ambiente di deposizione (pH, Eh, temperatura, età)





Proximal
to weathered rocks



Distal

Intensity of Weathering

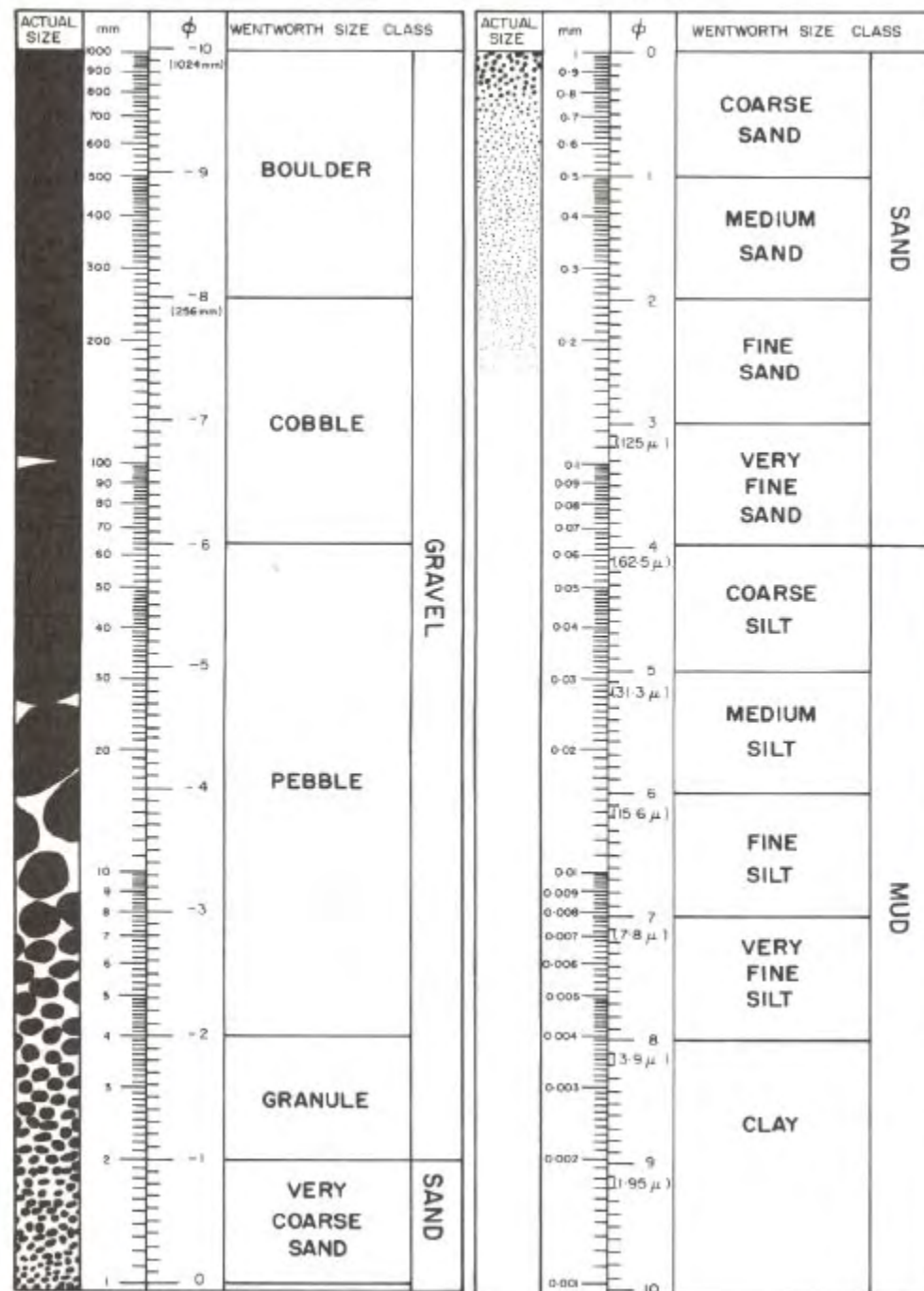
Low	Medium	High
Quartz	Quartz	Quartz
Feldspar	Feldspar	Clay minerals
Mica	Mica	
Pyroxene	Clay minerals	
Amphibole		

SCALA GRANULOMETRICA

MILLIMETRI	MICRON	SCALA Φ	CLASSI GRANULOMETRICHE (Wentworth)			
4096		- 12	Blocchi	GHIAIA		
256		- 8	Ciottoli			
64		- 6	Ciottoletti			
4.00 3.36 2.83 2.38 2.00	2000	- 2 - 1.75 - 1.50 - 1.25 - 1	Granuli			
1.68 1.41 2.19 1.00	1000	- 0.75 - 0.50 - 0.25 0	Sabbia molto grossa	SABBIA		
0.84 0.71 0.59 0.50	500	0.25 0.50 0.75 1	Sabbia grossa			
0.42 0.35 0.30 0.25	420 350 300 250	1.25 1.50 1.75 2	Sabbia media			
0.210 0.177 0.149 0.125	210 177 149 125	2.25 2.50 2.75 3	Sabbia fine			
0.105 0.088 0.074 0.0625	105 88 74 62.5	3.25 3.50 3.75 4	Sabbia molto fine			
0.053 0.044 0.037 0.031	53 44 37 31	4.25 4.50 4.75 5	Silt grosso		SILT (limo)	FANGO
0.0156	15.6	6	Silt medio			
0.0078	7.8	7	Silt fine			
0.0039	3.9	8	Silt molto fine			
0.0020 0.00098 0.00049 0.00024	2 0.98 0.49 0.24	9 10 11 12	ARGILLA ↓			

$$\Phi = -\log_2 \text{diam}$$

The Udden-Wentworth grade scale for grain sizes, with ϕ /mm conversion chart



hi Units*	Size	Wentworth Size Class	Sediment/Rock Name
-8	256 mm	Boulders	Sediment: GRAVEL
-6	64 mm	Cobbles	
-2	4 mm	Pebbles	
-1	2 mm	Granules	Sediment: SAND
0	1 mm	Very Coarse Sand	
1	1/2 mm	Coarse Sand	
2	1/4 mm	Medium Sand	
3	1/8 mm	Fine Sand	
4	1/16 mm	Very Fine Sand	Rocks: SANDSTONES (arenites, wackes)
8	1/256 mm	Silt	
		Clay	
			Sediment: MUD
			Rocks: LUTITES (mudrocks)

Udden-Wentworth Scale



Grains visible
with naked eye



Grains visible with
naked eye (course),
with aid of x10 hand
lens (fine)



Grains not visible with aid of
x10 hand lens

Mudrocks

Breccia

(angular fragments)

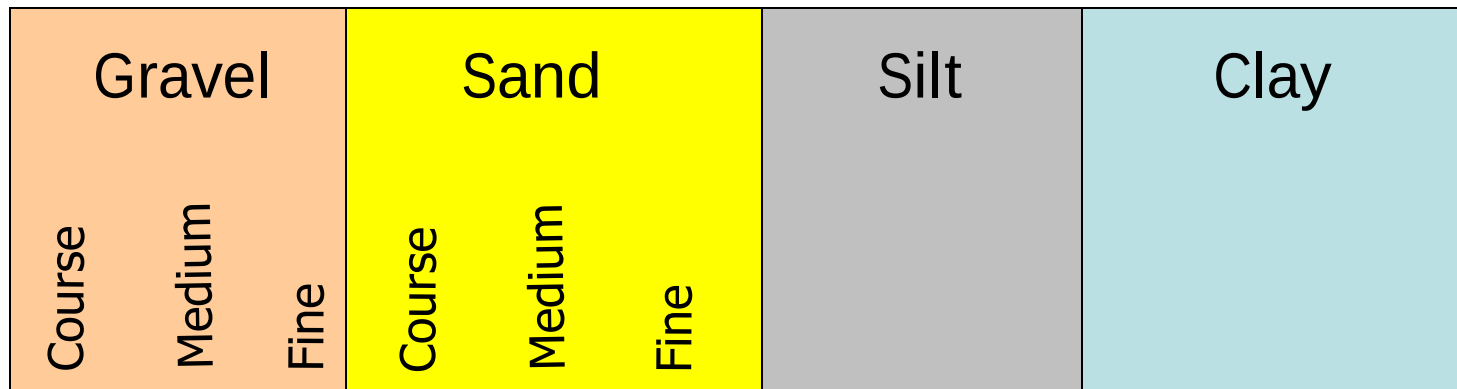
Conglomerate

(rounded fragments)

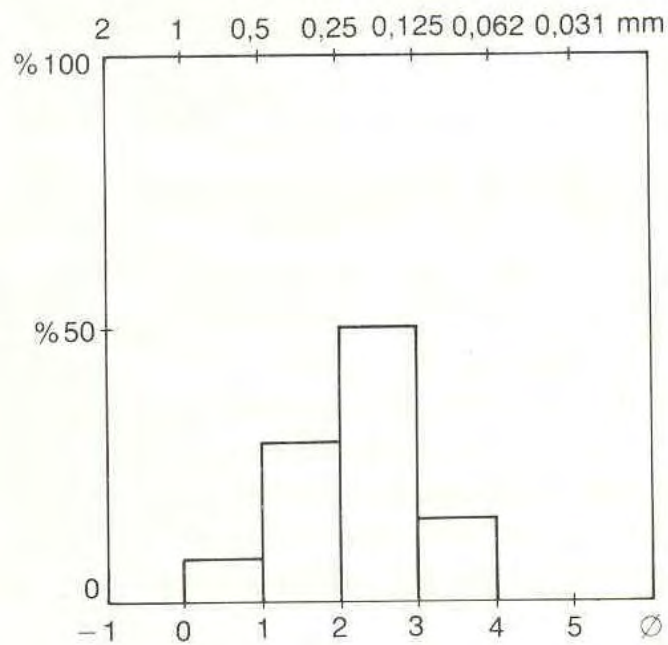
Sandstone

Siltstone

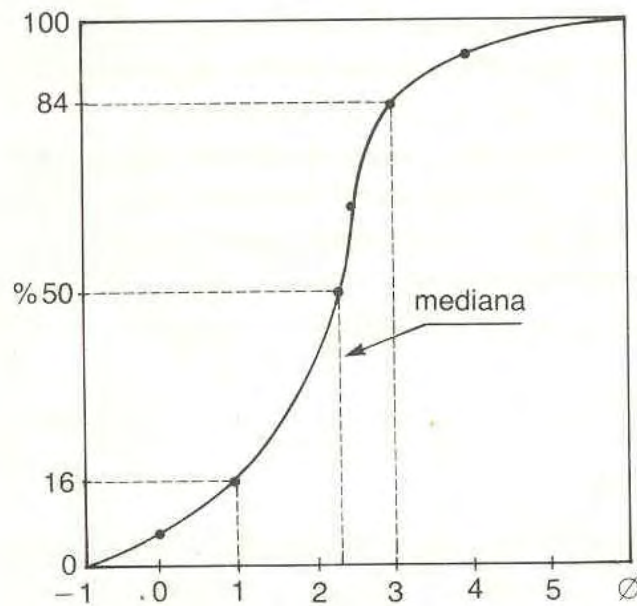
Claystone Shale



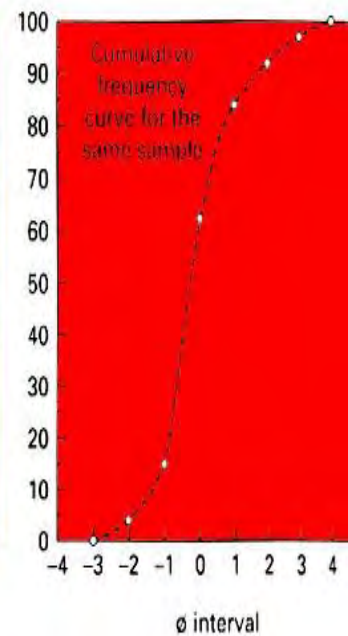
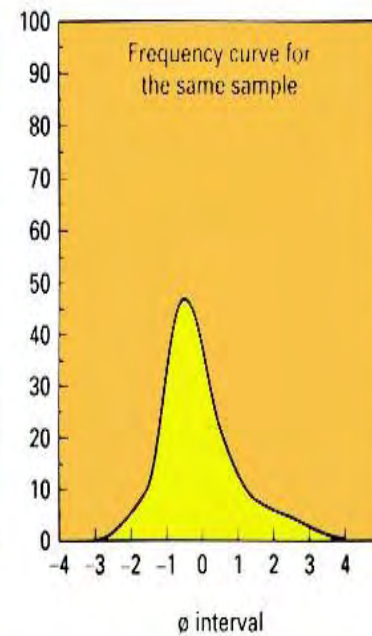
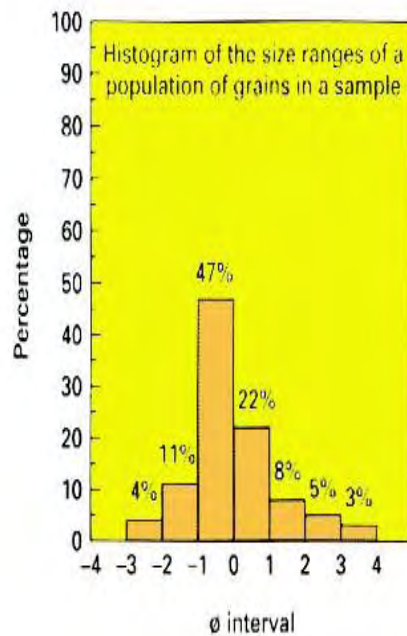
60mm 20 6 2mm 0.6 0.2 0.06mm 0.002mm



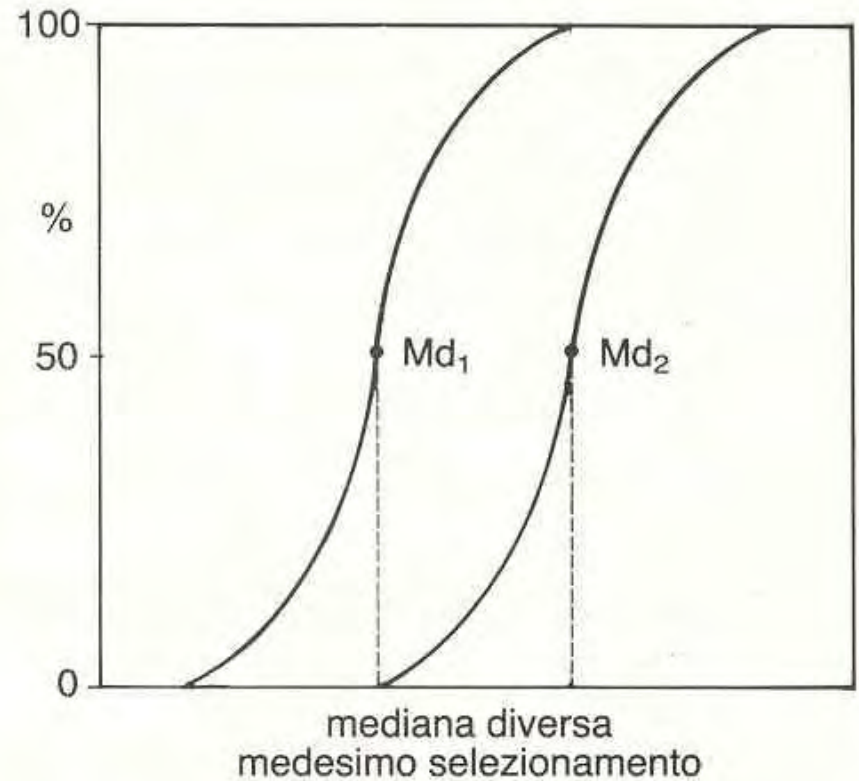
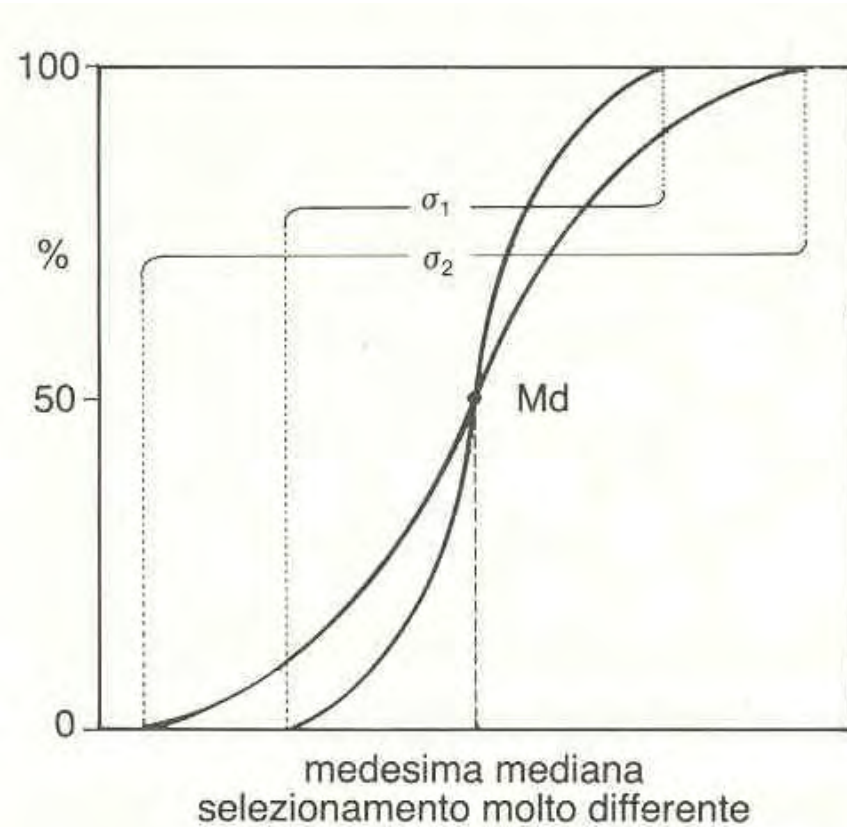
a) istogramma

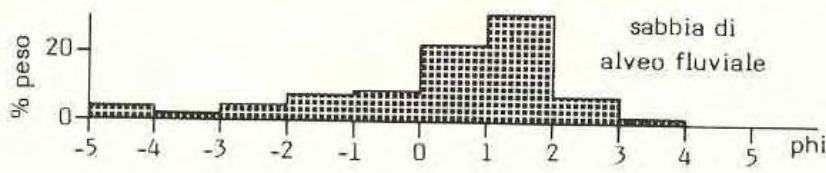
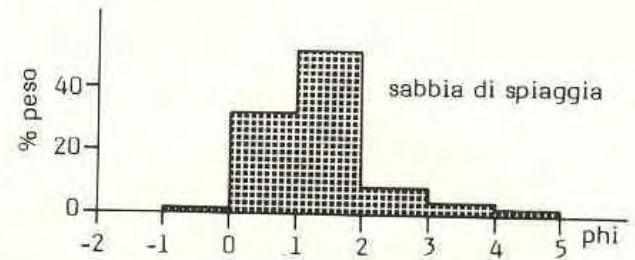
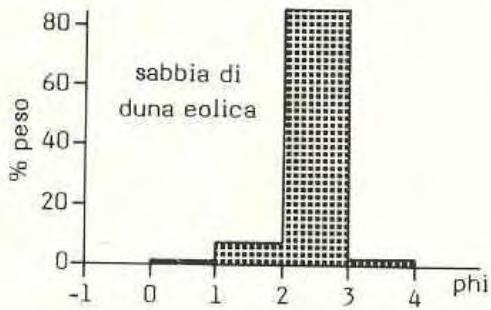
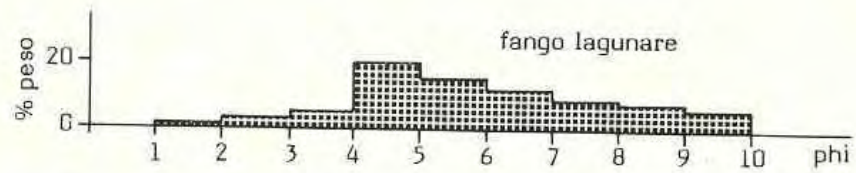
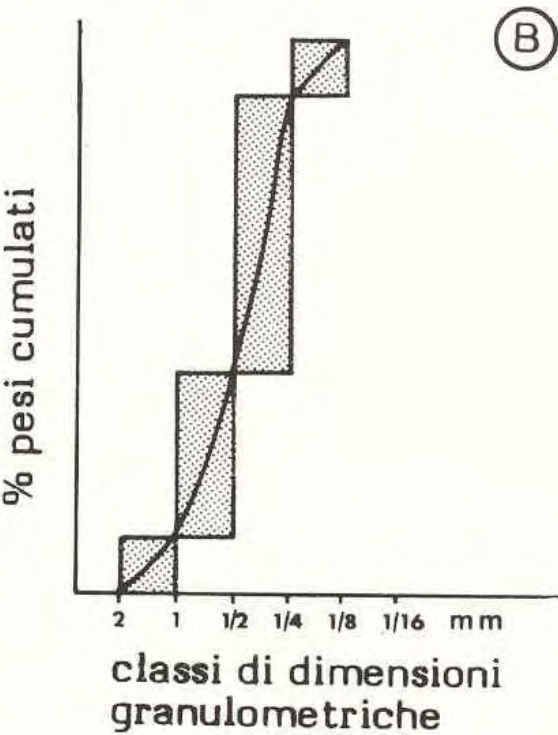
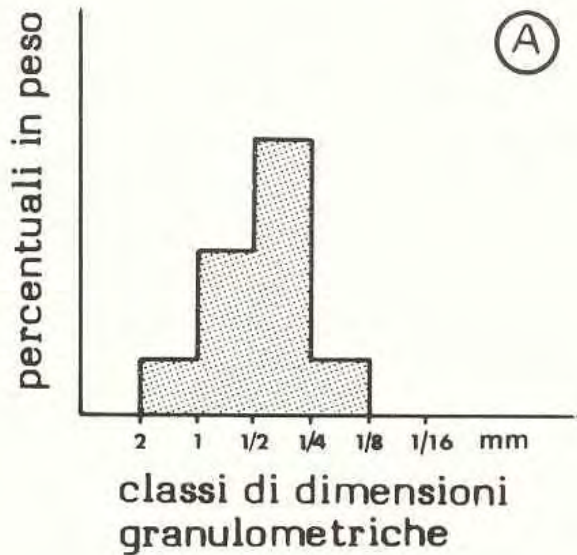


c) curva cumulativa
(ordinata in scala aritmetica)

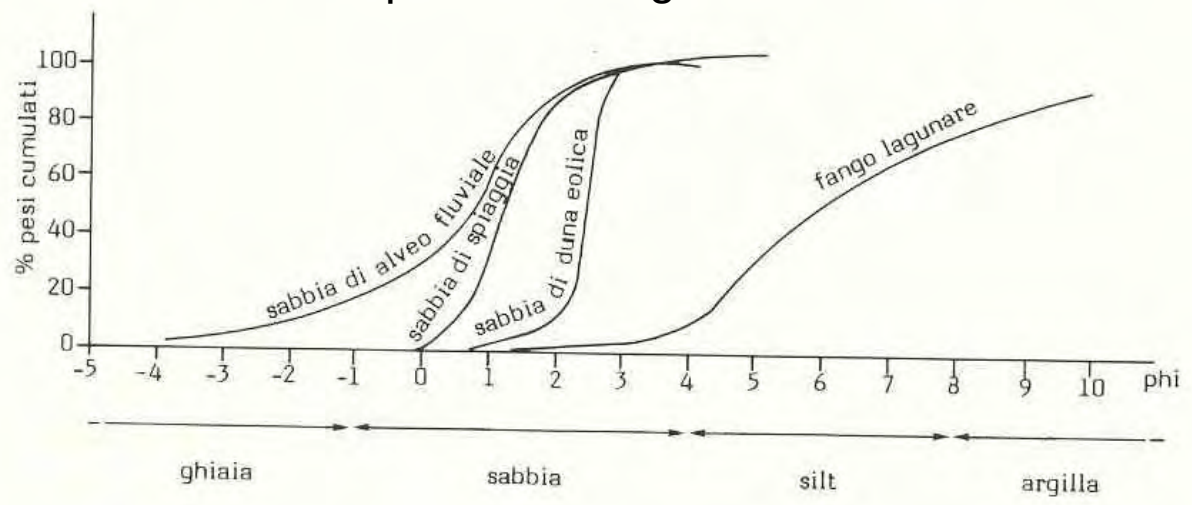


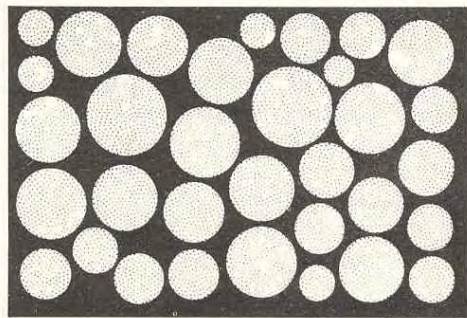
Grado di selezionamento (*sorting*)



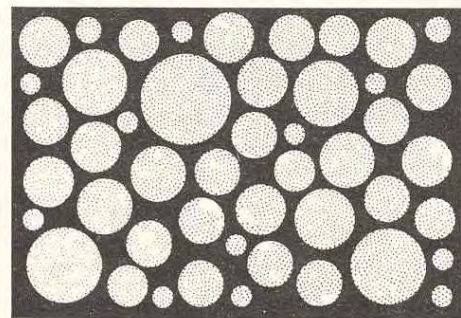


Modalità trasporto e Energia dinamica del mezzo

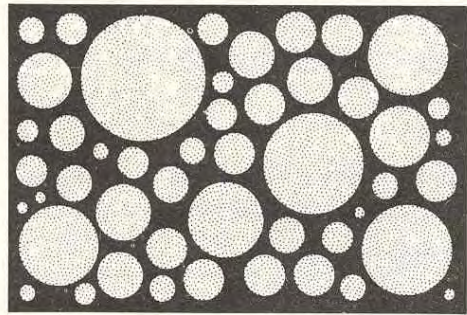




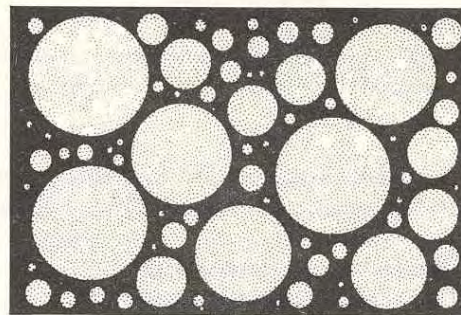
molto ben selezionato $\sigma = 0,35 \phi$



ben selezionato $\sigma = 0,50 \phi$

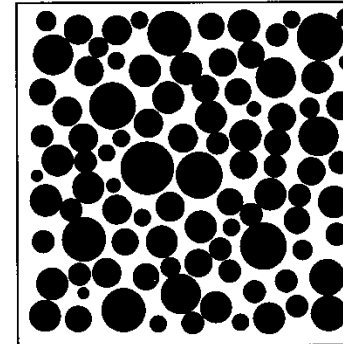


moderatamente selezionato $\sigma = 1,00 \phi$

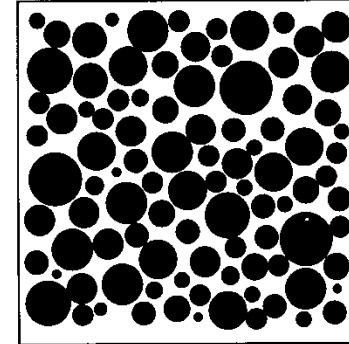


poco selezionato $\sigma = 2,00 \phi$

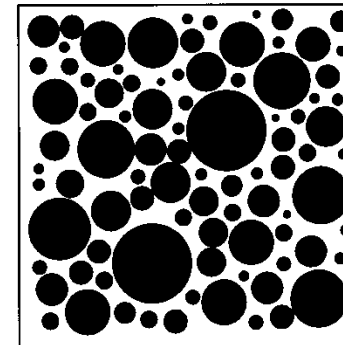
Very well sorted	'Standard deviation' < 0.35
Well sorted	= 0.35–0.5
Moderately well sorted	= 0.5–0.71
Moderately sorted	= 0.71–1.0
Poorly sorted	= 1.0–2.0
Very poorly sorted	> 2.0



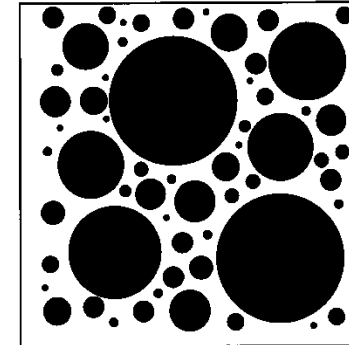
'Standard deviation' = 0.35



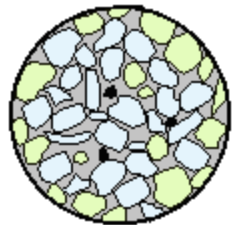
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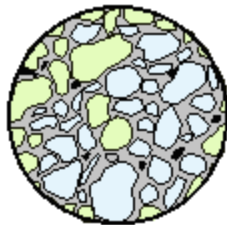
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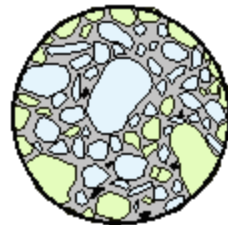
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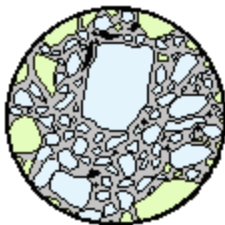
Very Well Sorted



Well Sorted



Moderately Sorted



Poorly Sorted



Very Poorly Sorted

K. Simpson, 1995

Miglior selezione in natura =
Sabbie dune eoliche e spiagge
Selezione molto scarso = Morene



Well-sorted sand



Poorly sorted sand

Significato geologico dei parametri granulometrici

Processi deposizionali responsabili del deposito

$$\frac{\text{Quantità di materiale fornito all'ambiente}}{\text{Efficienza selezionatrice del mezzo}}$$

Scorrimento superficiale (rotolamento)

Saltazione

Sospensione

Sedimenti grossolani

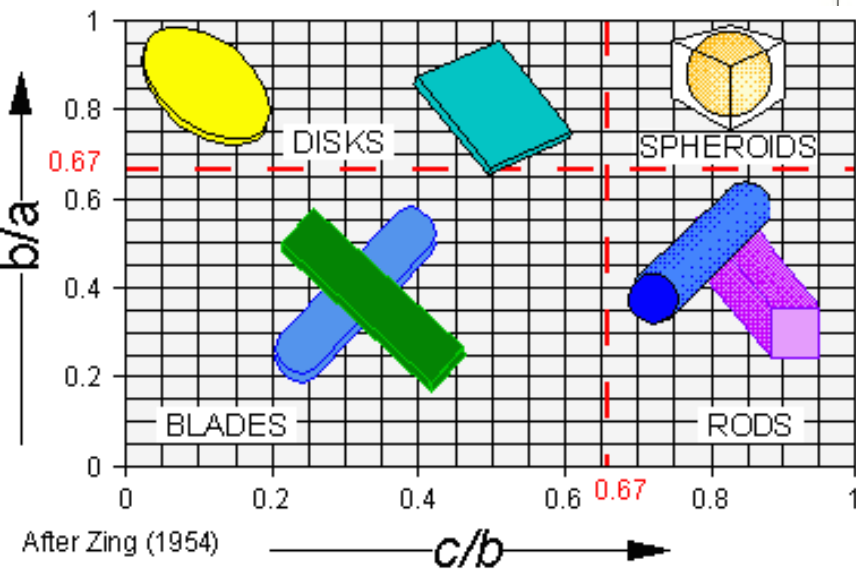
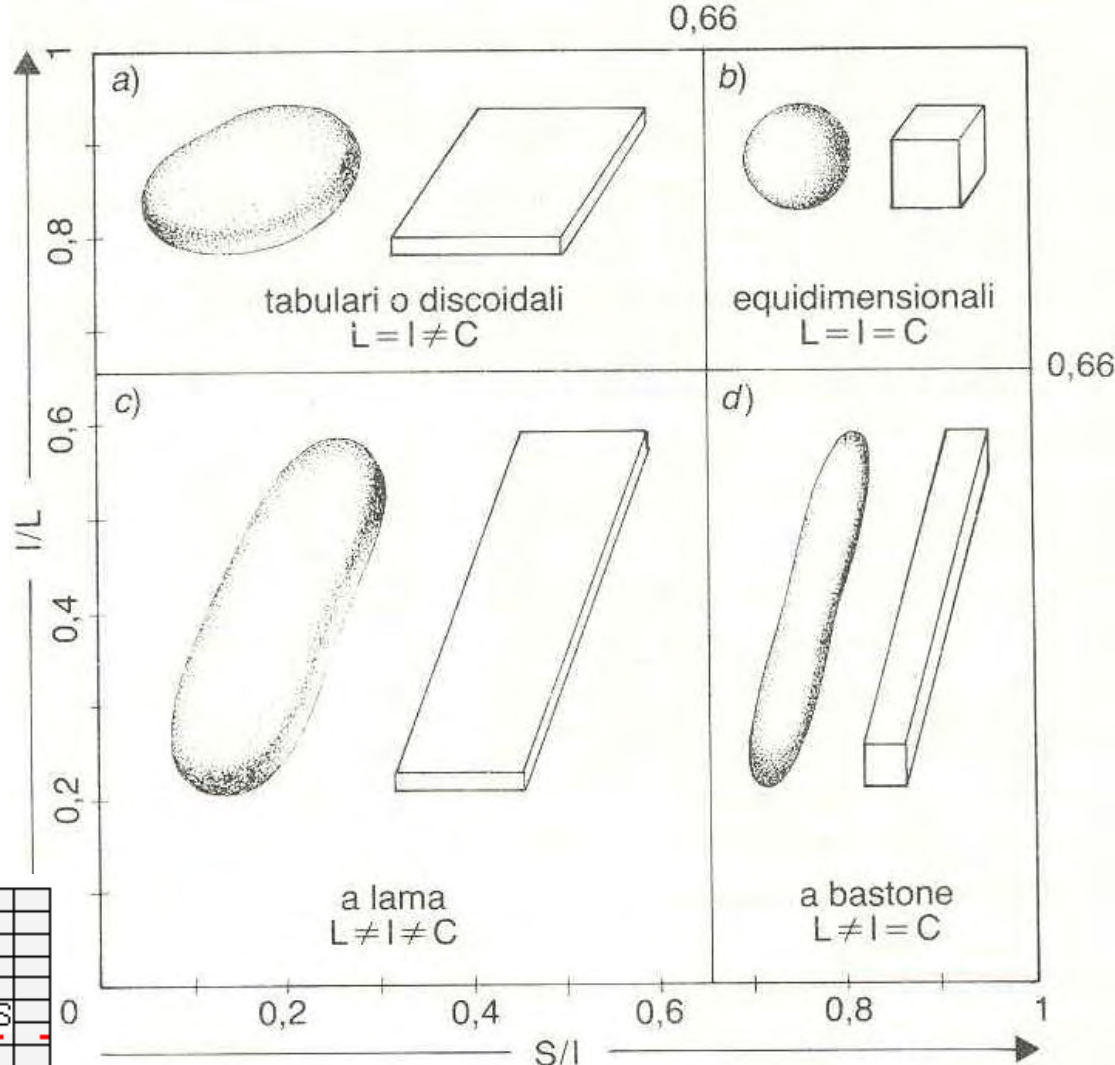
sedimenti fini

Selezionamento

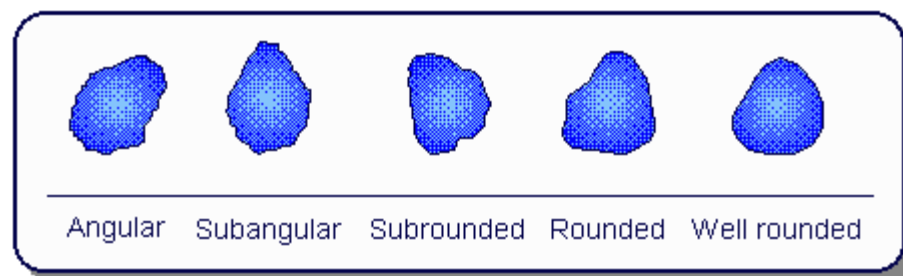
- Selezionamento ottimale: corrente opera continuamente su strato sottile di granelli (spiaggia)
- Selezionamento pessimo: deposizione forzata da impilamento quasi istantaneo (piene fluviali)
- Correnti costanti selezionano meglio di quelle che variano rapidamente di intensità

Morfometria

- Assi
- L = lungo
- I = intermedio
- S = corto



alta sfericità							
	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
bassa sfericità							
	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
	ben arrotondato	arrotondato	subarrotondato	subangoloso	angoloso	molto angoloso	

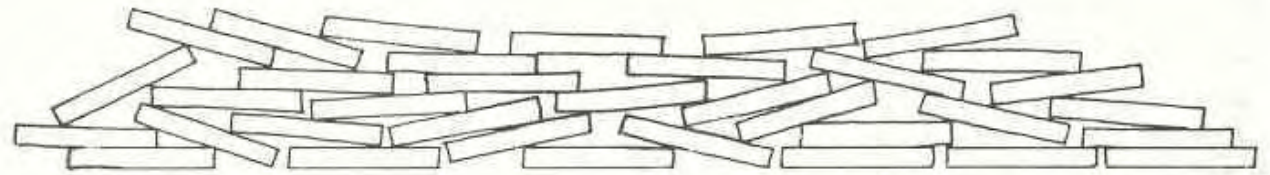


Arrotondamento

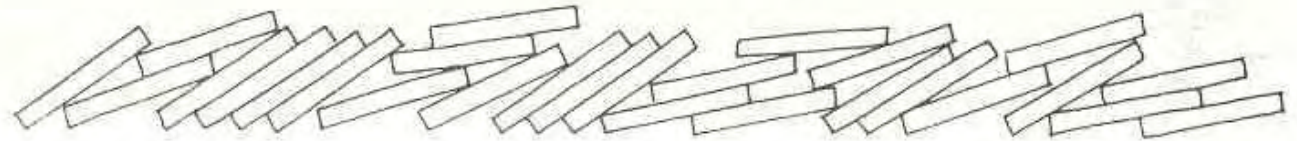
Sabbia media con grani quarzo angolosi
 Perde 1% in peso dopo trasporto di
 20.000 km!

Fabric (tessuto – struttura)

- Orientazione e disposizione spaziale degli elementi che compongono un sedimento

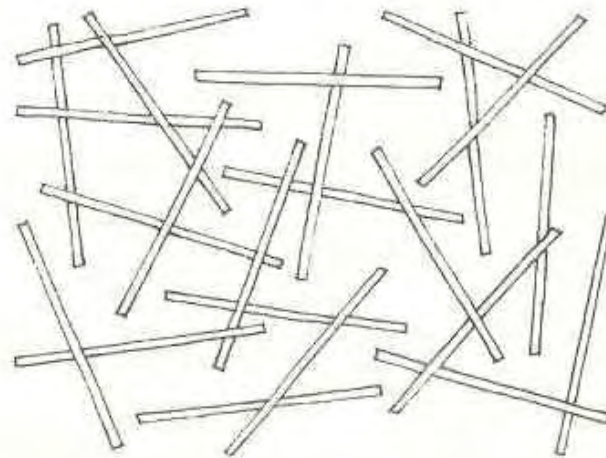


a) gravità

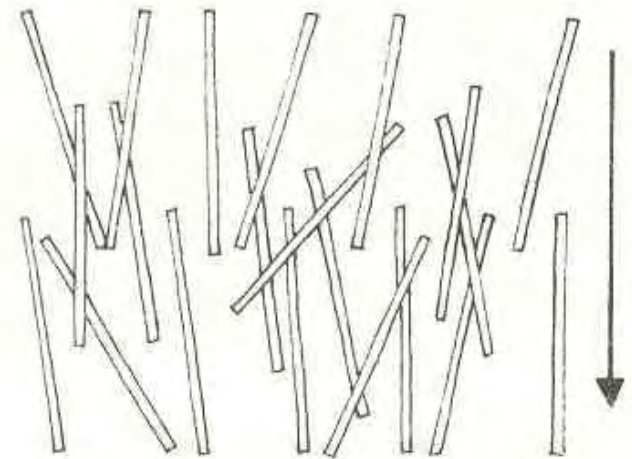


b) gravità + corrente

embriciatura



a) gravità



b) gravità + corrente

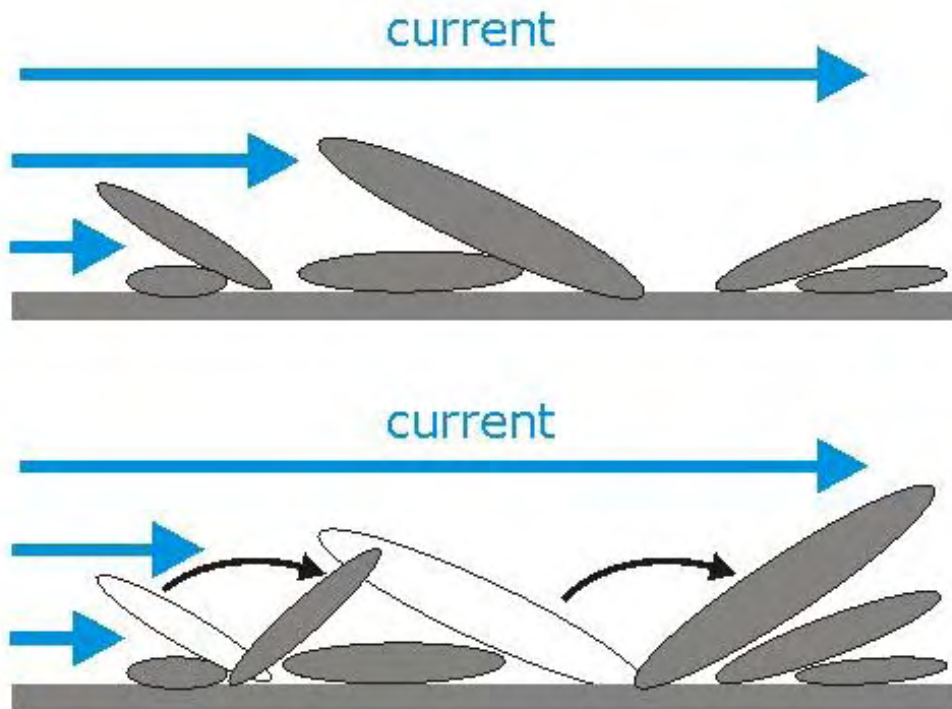
Fiume Tànarò, Alba



Minjiang river



Embriciatura Imbrication edge-wise conglomerate

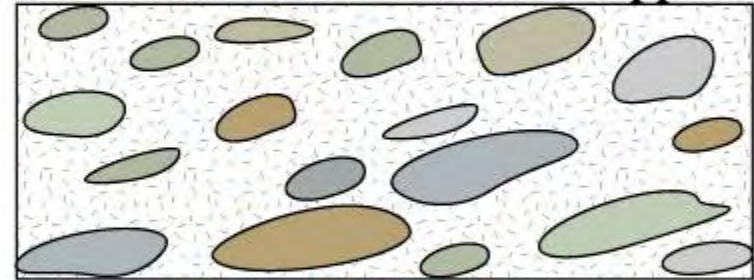


Imbricated Pebbles - Clast Supported



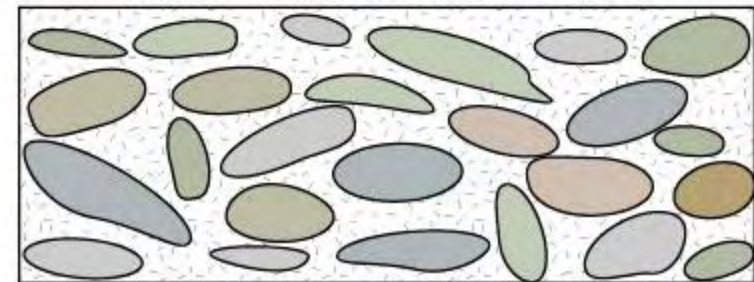
Current →

Imbricated Pebbles - Matrix Supported



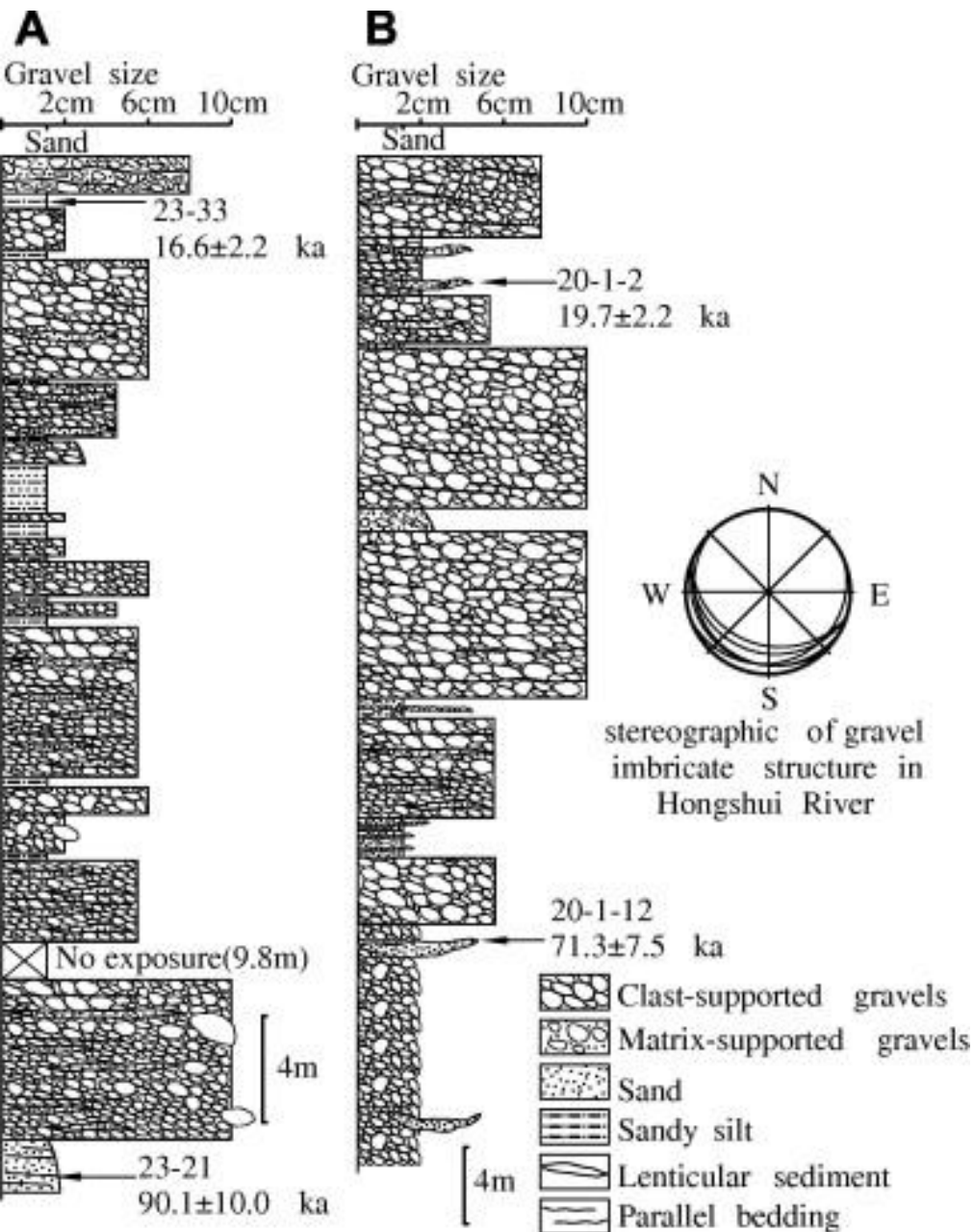
Current →

Non - Imbricated Pebbles



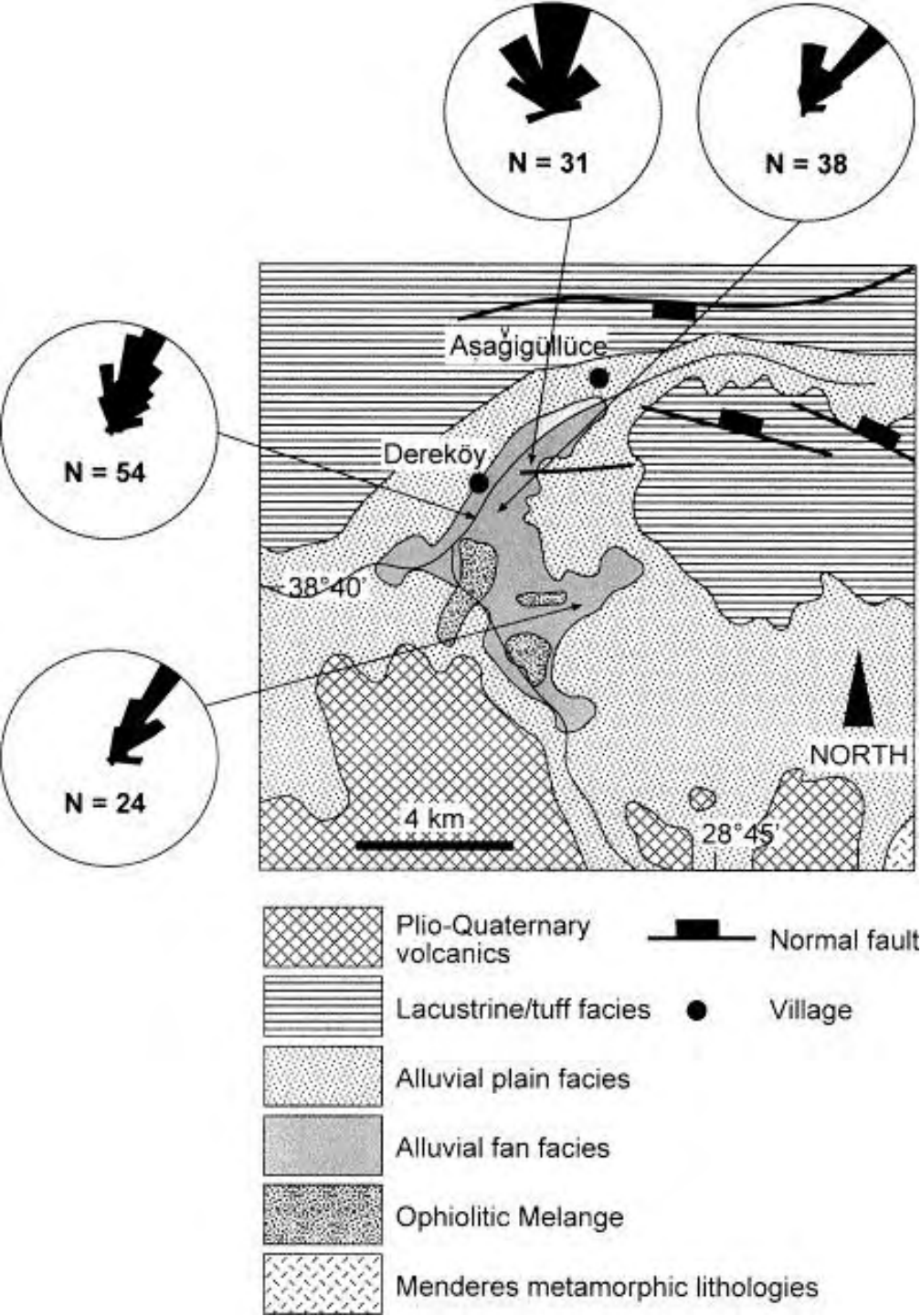
<http://all-geo.org/highlyallochthonous/2008/02/imbrication-and-potholes-in-the-zebra-river/>

University of Montana Geology Department [2011]

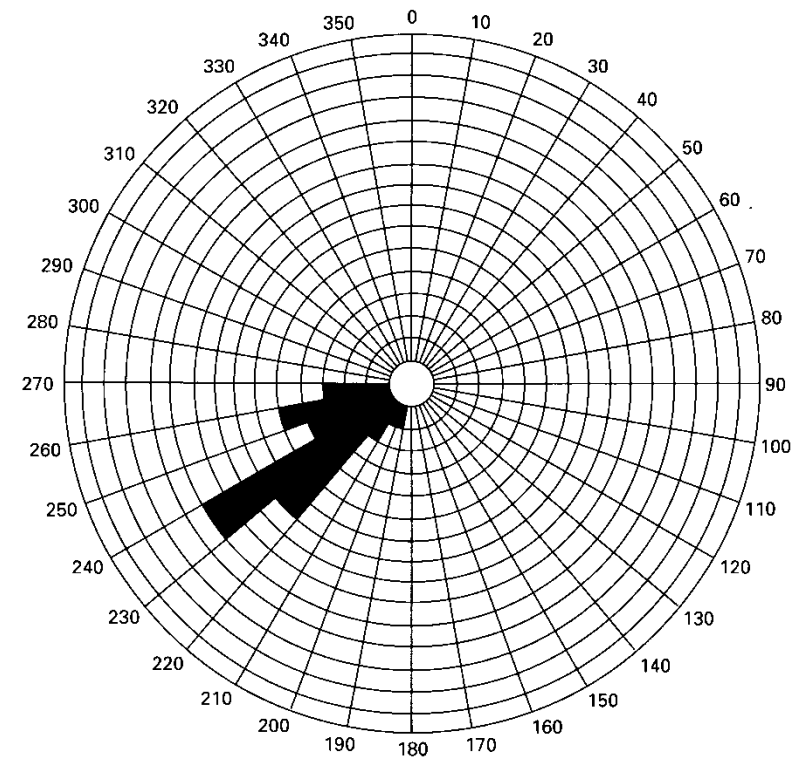


Stratigraphic columns of valley fill sequences. (A) Kunlun River valley at Sanchakou (35°53.42'N, 94°23.52'E, 3690 m asl). (B) Hongshui River valley (35°52.58'N, 92°12.43'E, 4204 m asl); gravel imbricate structure in this sequence is plotted in stereographic projection.

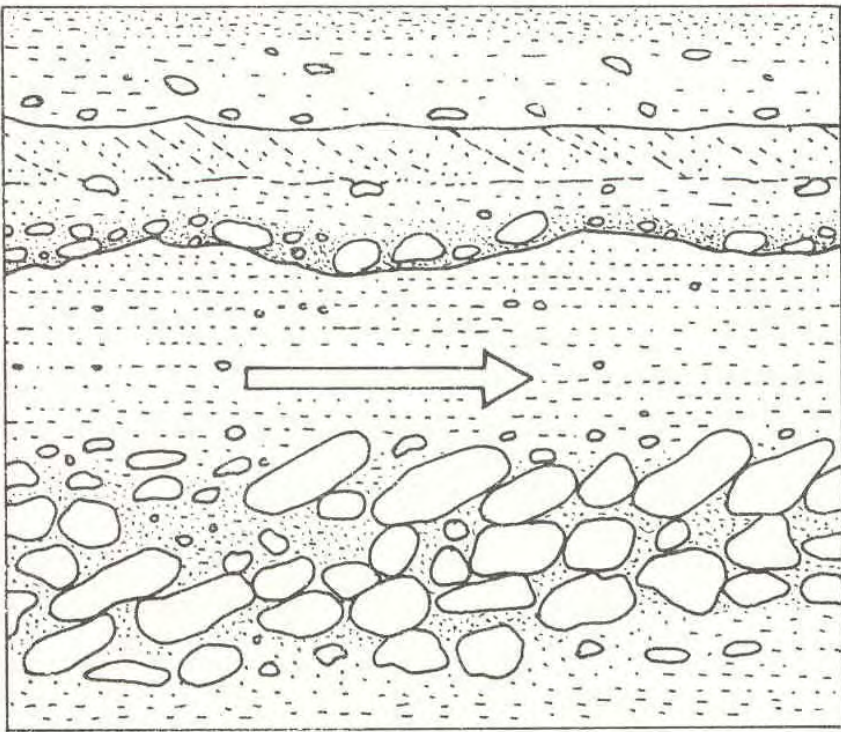
Wang et al., 2009



- Geological map of the Selendi Basin (Turkey) showing palaeocurrent trends determined from clast imbrication (100 measurements per location)



Embriciatura



Ciottoli discoidali: piano di massima proiezione inclinato contro corrente (verso monte)

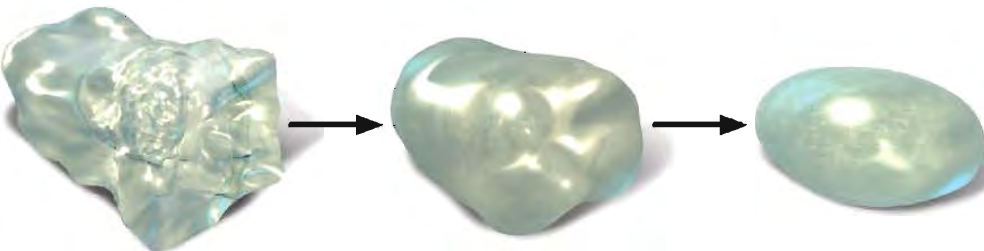
- Fiumi: 10-30°
- Spiagge: 15° verso mare
- Morene 20-25°

Distance of transport

Short

Moderate

Long



Larger,
more angular

Smaller,
more rounded



Particles are large and irregular, and consist of a variety of lithologies, including the least resistant.



Particles are mid-sized and of intermediate sphericity, and include resistant and nonresistant lithologies.



Particles are small and nearly spherical, and consist mainly of the most resistant lithologies, such as quartz.

Trasporto selettivo e trasporto in massa

- Comportamento idraulico: è funzione di dimensioni, forma e peso specifico, ma soprattutto della granulometria
- Processo di smistamento (selezione idraulica) per forma (frustoli vegetali, lamelle di mica) e peso specifico (minerali pesanti)

Trasporto selettivo e trasporto in massa

- L'azione selettiva si riflette nella tessitura e nell'organizzazione geometrica resa visibile dalle strutture sedimentarie
- Trasporto selettivo: deposito strutturato e organizzato (strati suddivisi in lamine, clasti orientati)
- Trasporto in massa: depositi disorganizzati (omogenei, massivi caotici, privi di strutture)

Selezione idraulica

- Separazione tra carico di fondo (ghiaia, sabbia) e carico sospeso (silt, argilla)
- TRAZIONE: trascinamento delle particelle sul fondo (rotolamento, scorrimento, saltellamento)
- DECANTAZIONE: deposizione di materiale in sospensione
- Processi selettivi: trattivi e decantativi

how sediments move in a stream

Suspended
load:
Mud
(silt+clay)

suspended load
(fine particles and dissolved components)

stream flow

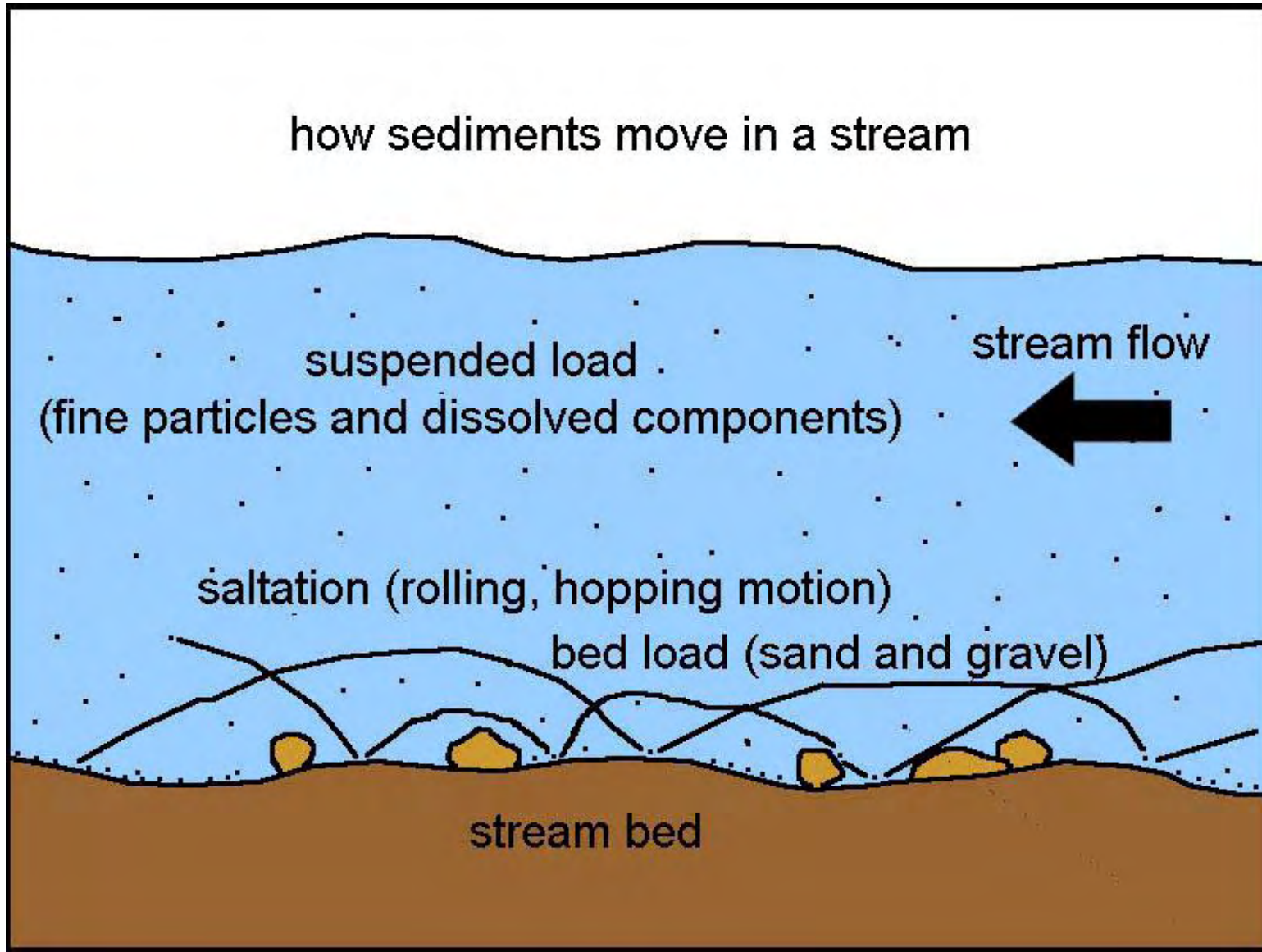


saltation (rolling, hopping motion)

bed load (sand and gravel)

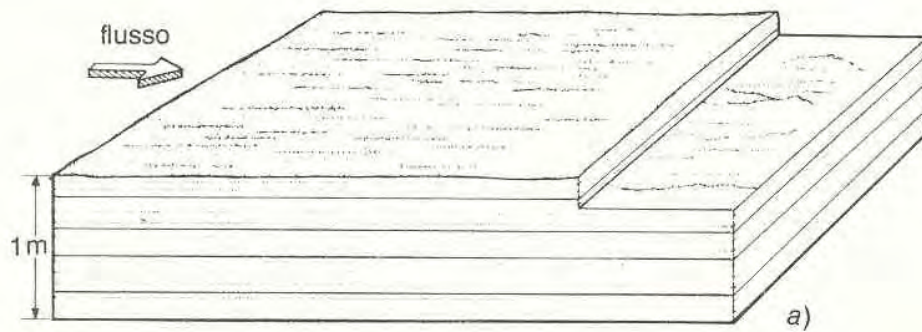
Bed load:
Boulder
gravel
sand

stream bed



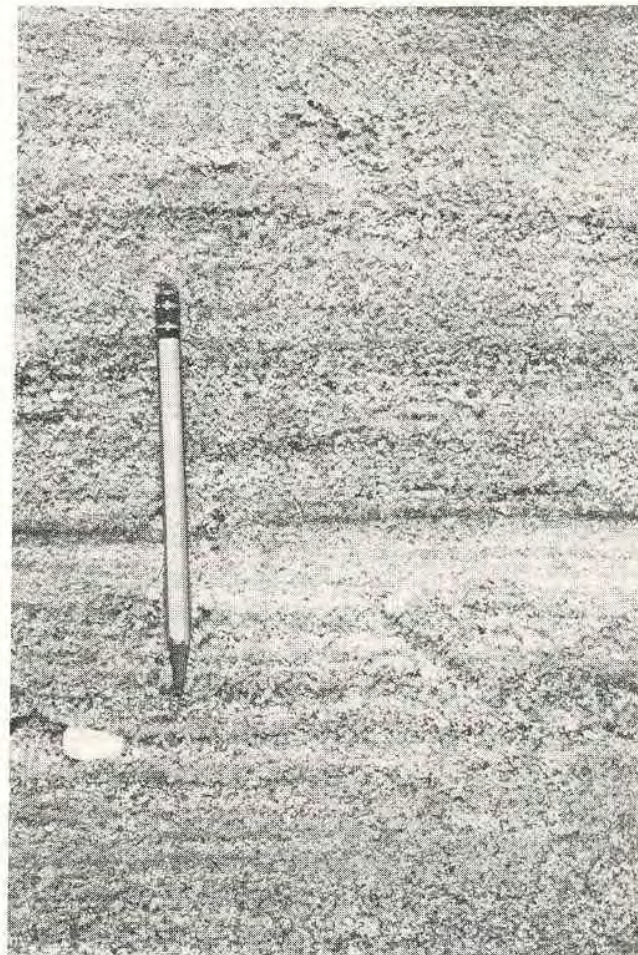
Processi trattivi

- Velocità carico di fondo $\ll$ velocità corrente
- Azione trattiva può essere associata a decantazione: sabbie sporche (matrice) e forme di fondo particolari
- Azione trattiva può alternarsi a decantazione. Particolare tipo di stratificazione (alternanze sabbia e fango)



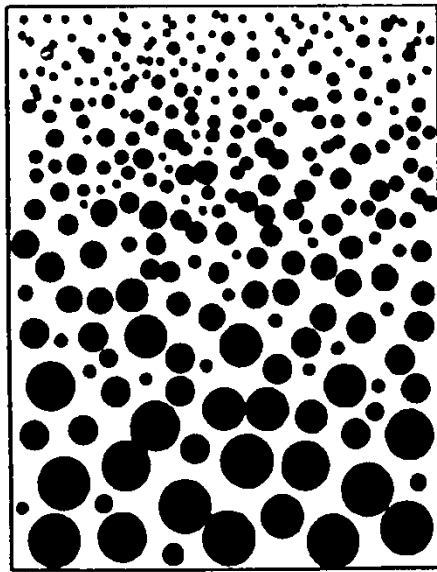
Lineazioni e lamine
da corrente trattiva

b) c)

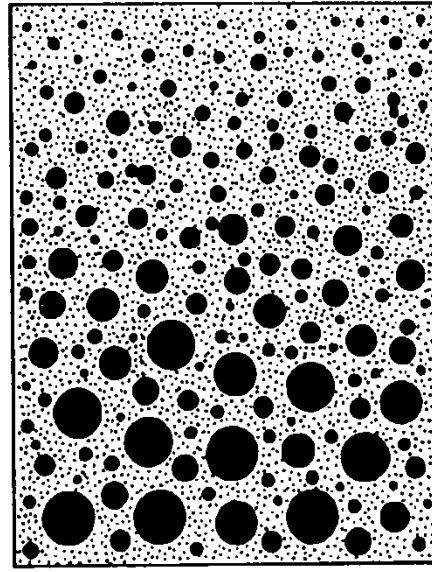


Lamine gradate
Inversamente
(pressione collisionale
e effetto "setaccio")

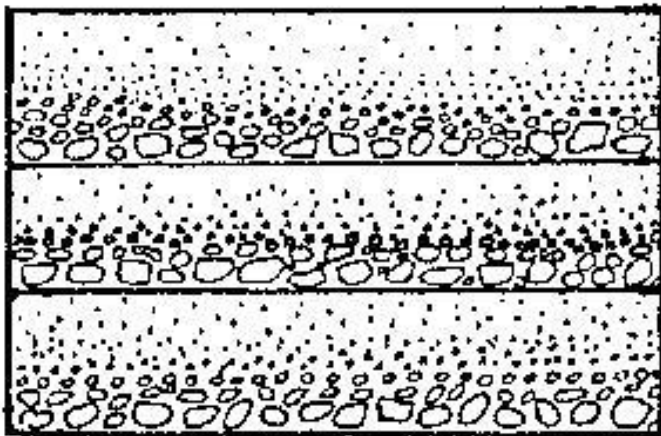
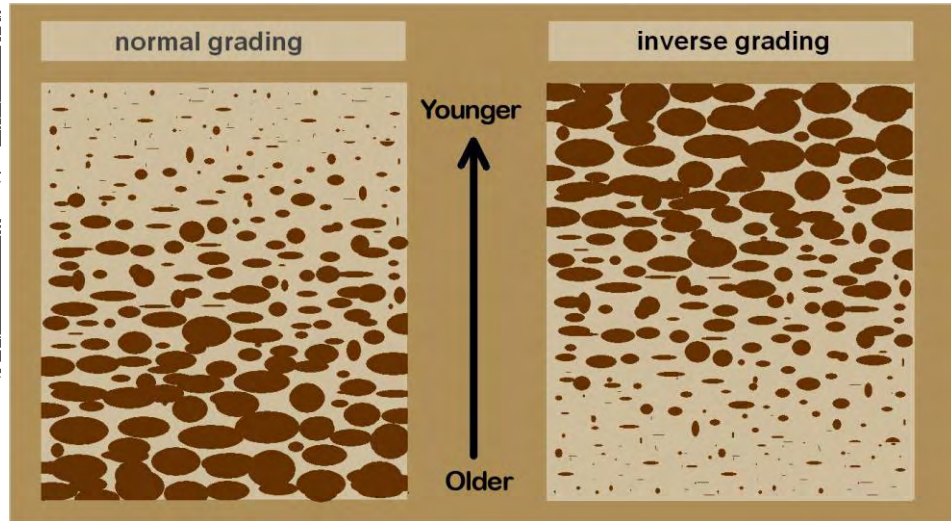
Graded bedding



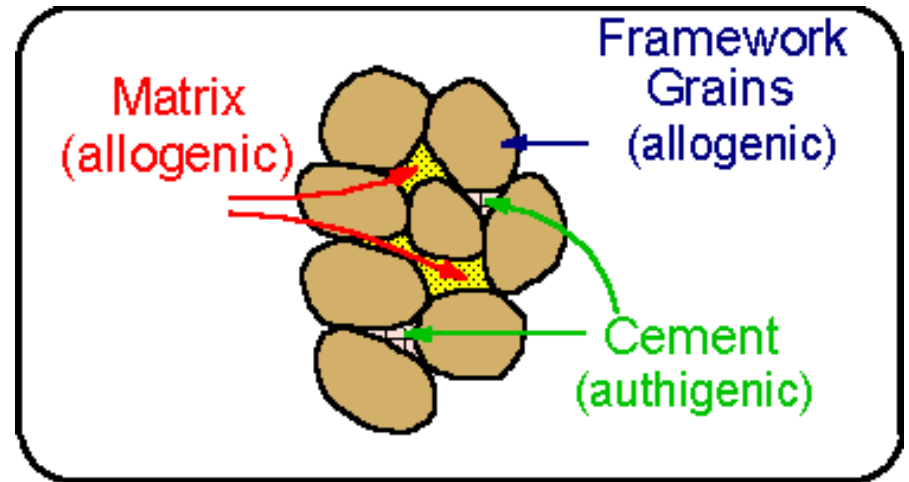
(a)



(l)



Normal Grading



Ripples (increspature)

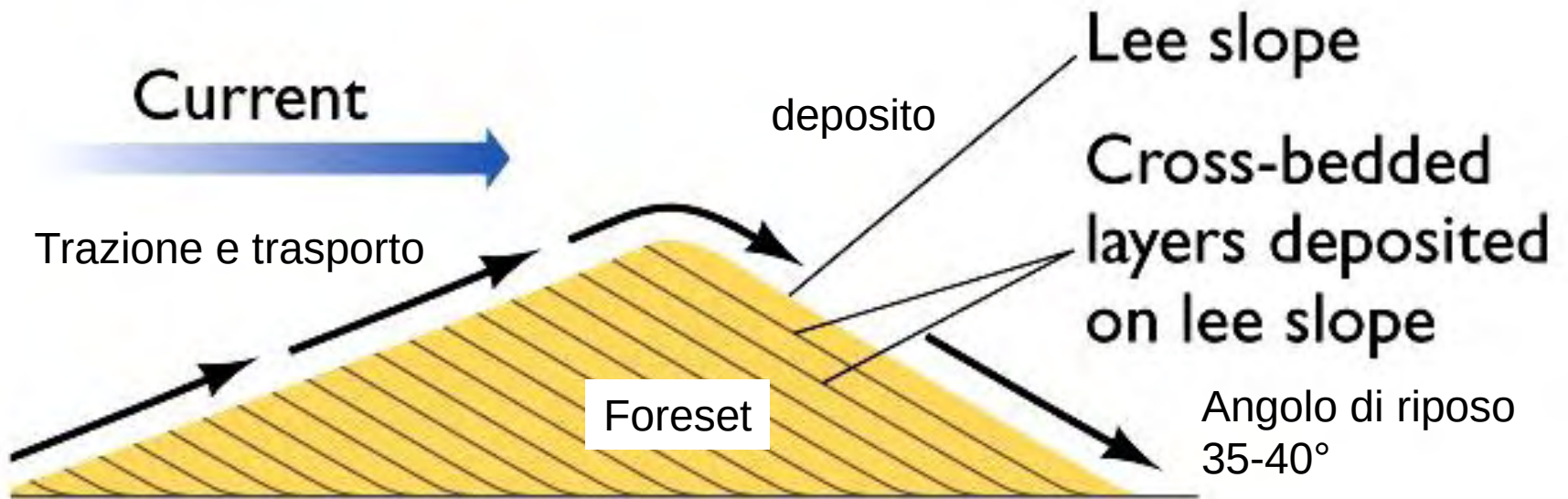
Correnti deboli:
10-30 cm/s

Formazione in
pochi minuti

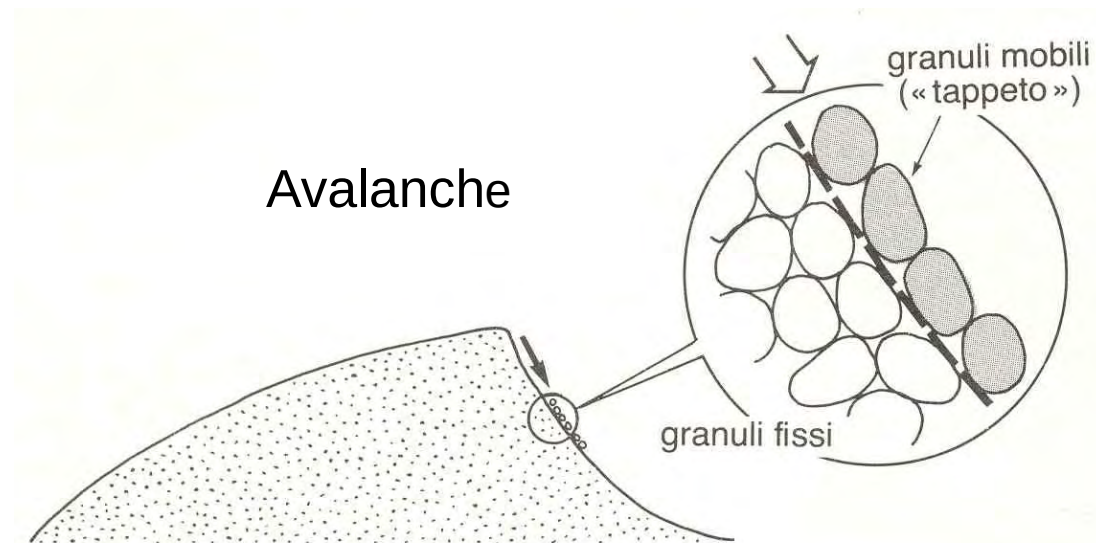


Ripples (in crescendo)

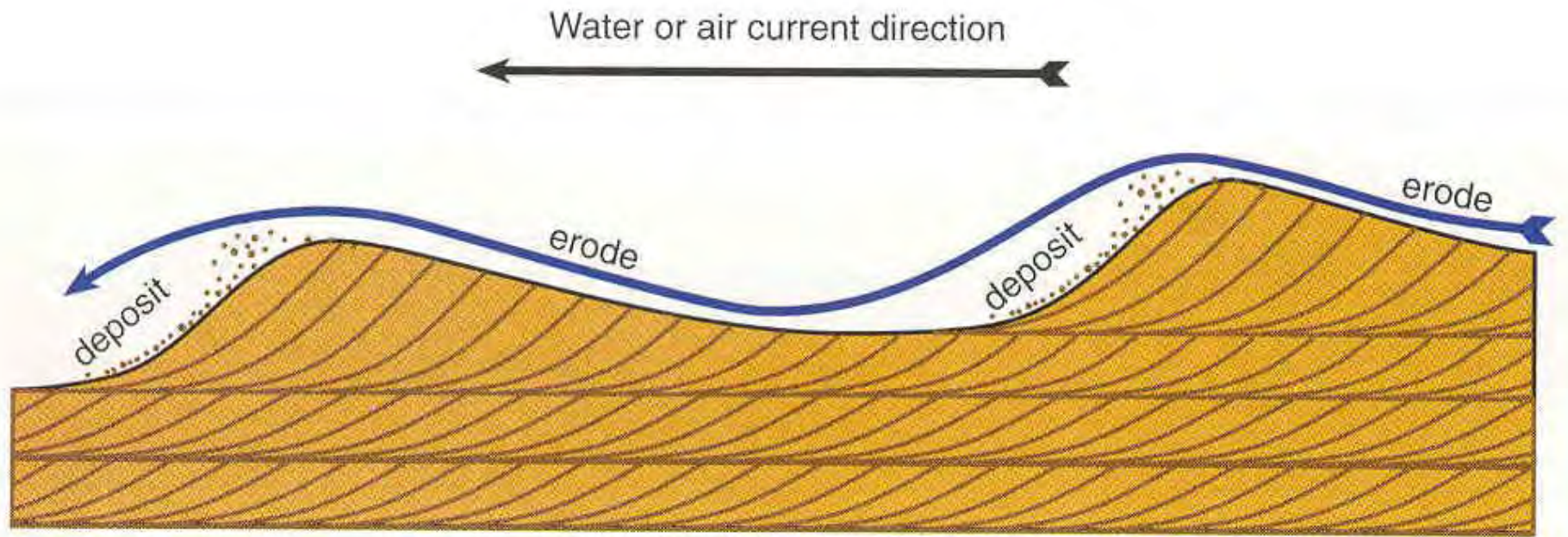




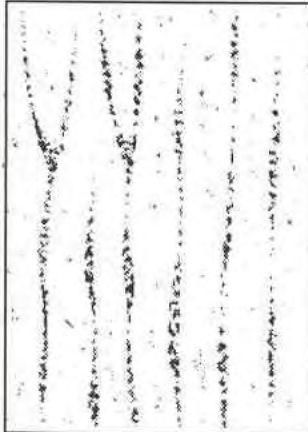
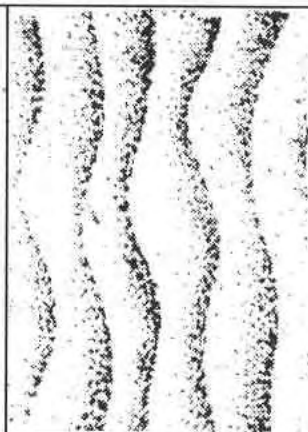
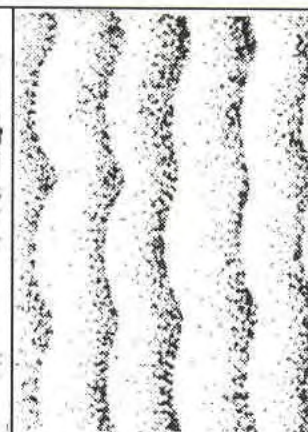
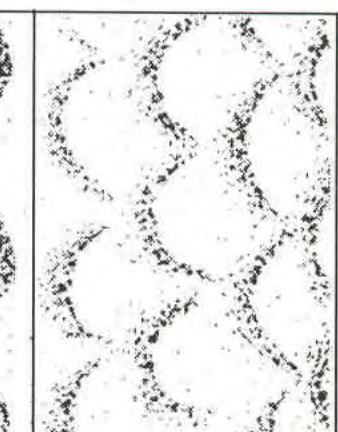
Stratificazione incrociata
o
Laminazione obliqua

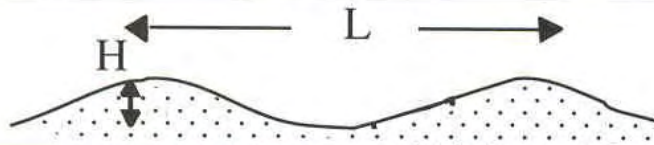


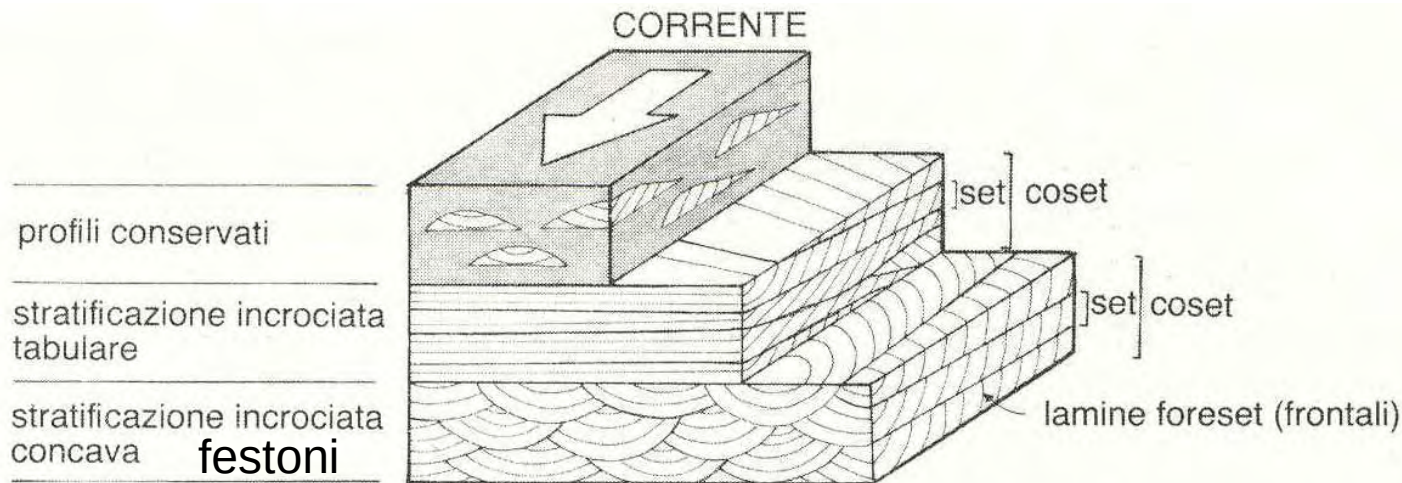
sand



A.

					
<i>ripple</i> da onda + (biforcazioni)	rettilinei	sinuosi	catenari	<i>ripple</i> linguoidi	dune barcanoidi
	<i>ripple</i> e dune da corrente				

			indice di <i>ripple</i> = L/H
<i>ripple</i> eolici	L 2,5 - 25 cm	H 0,5 - 1,0 cm	in genere 10 - 70
	Più piatti		
<i>ripple</i> da onda	L 0,9 - 200 cm	H 0,3 - 25 cm	4 - 13 in genere 6 - 7
<i>ripple</i> da corrente	L < 60 cm	H < 6 cm	> 5 in genere 8 - 15



creste rettilinee

stratificazione incrociata tabulare

a)

turbolenza «a rullo»

creste sinuose

stratificazione tabulare concava

b)

turbolenza «focalizzata» (buche)

creste discontinue (forme linguoidi)

stratificazione incrociata concava

c)

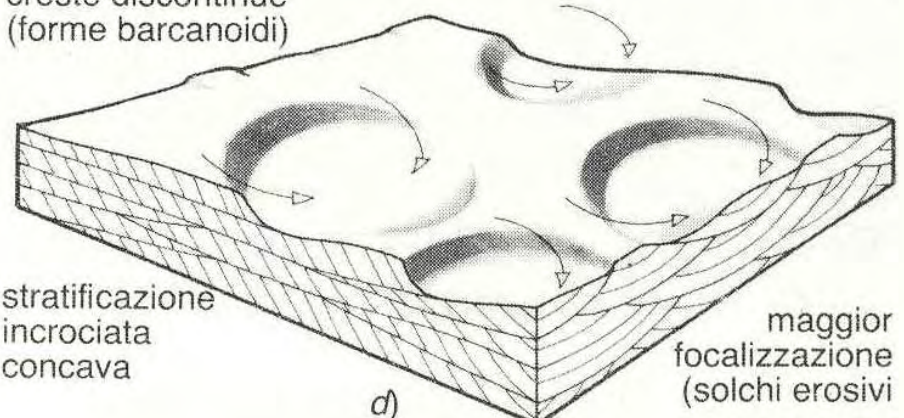
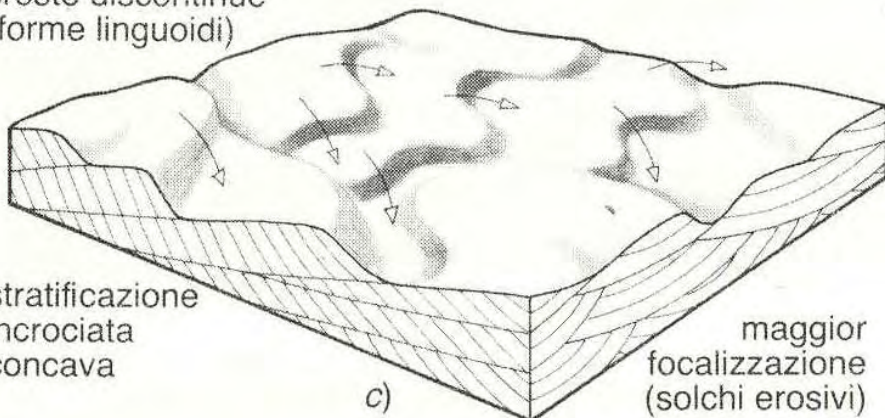
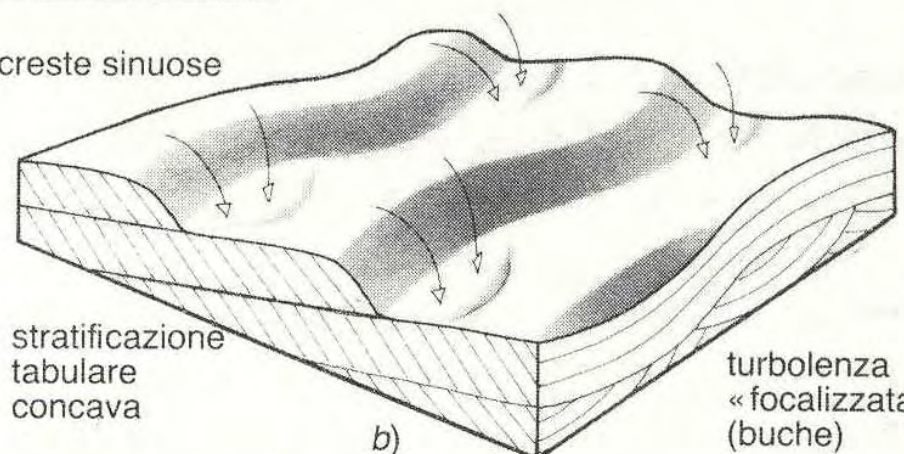
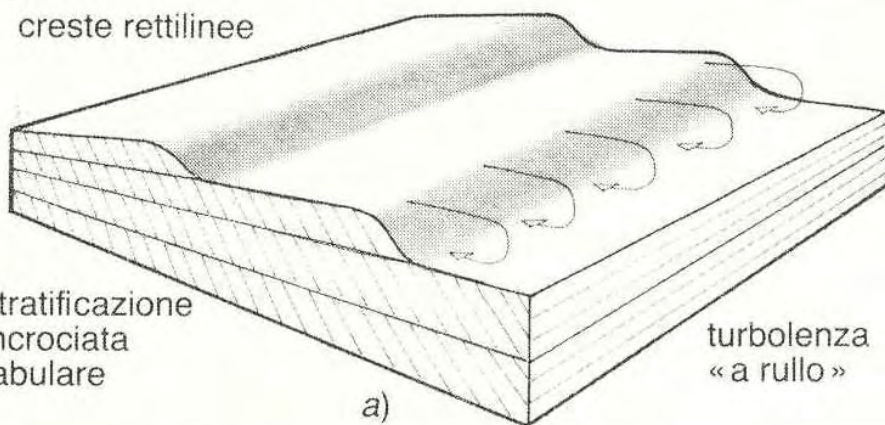
maggior focalizzazione (solchi erosivi)

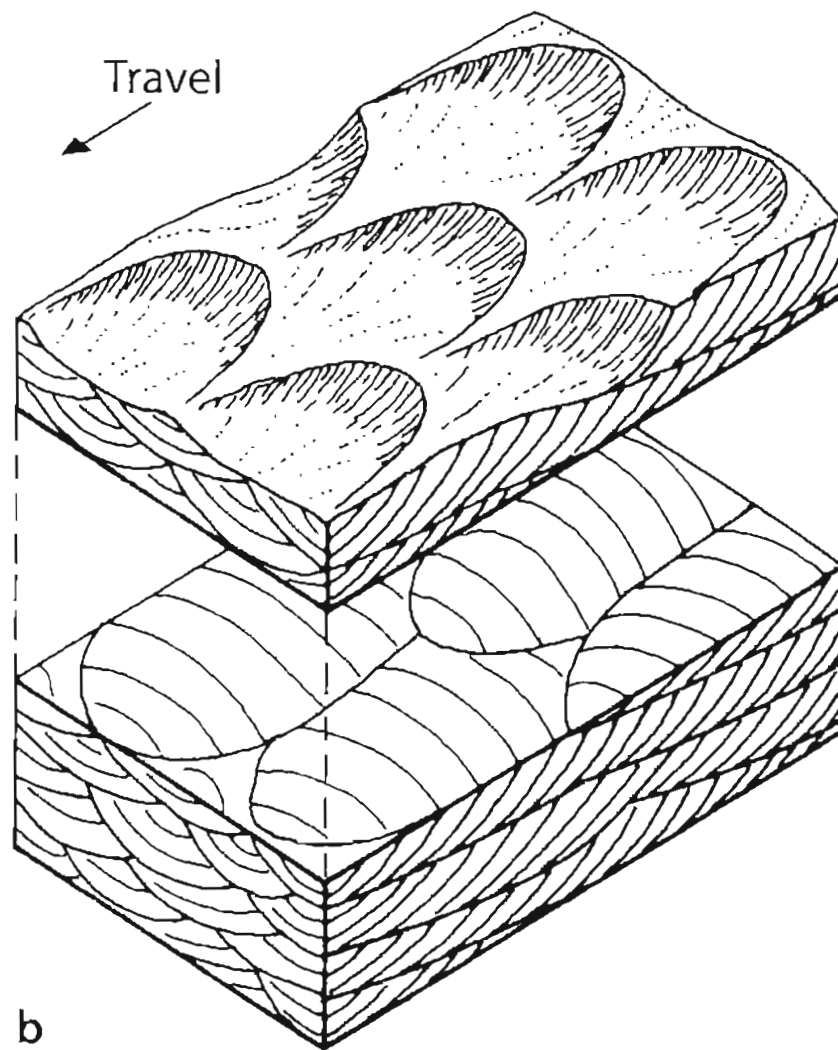
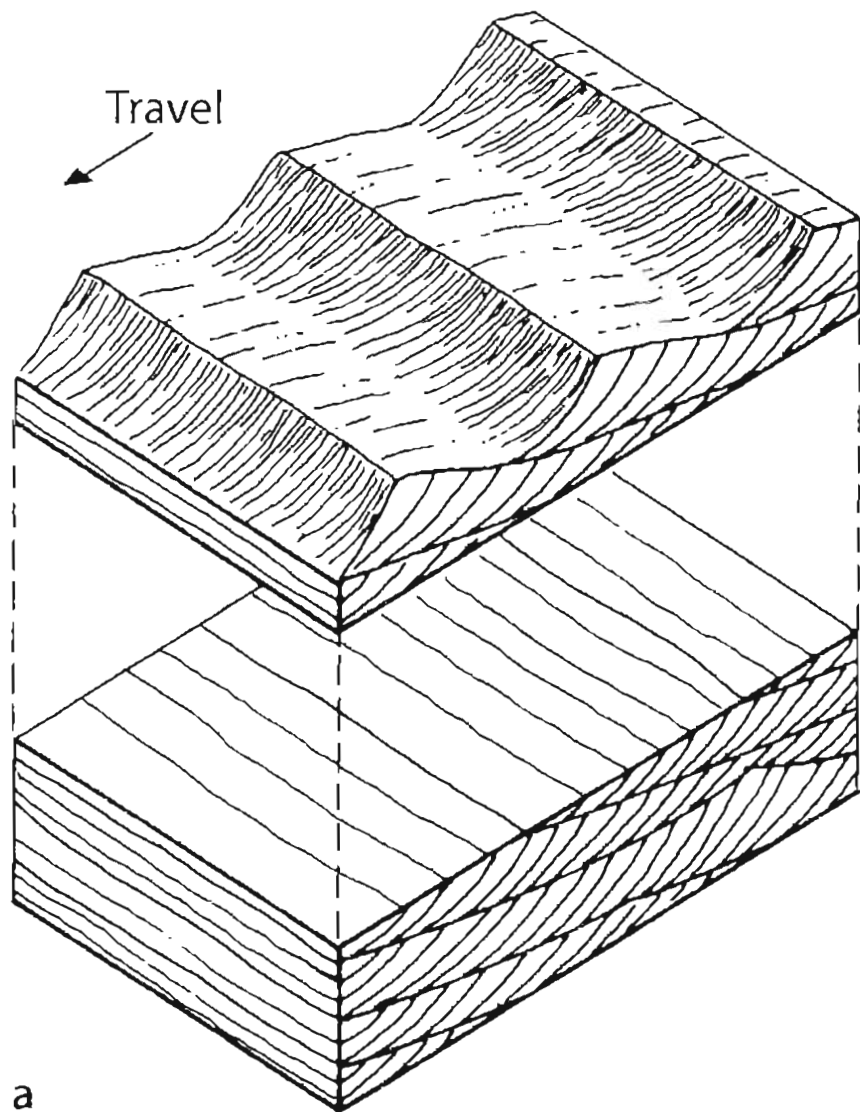
creste discontinue (forme barcanoidi)

stratificazione incrociata concava

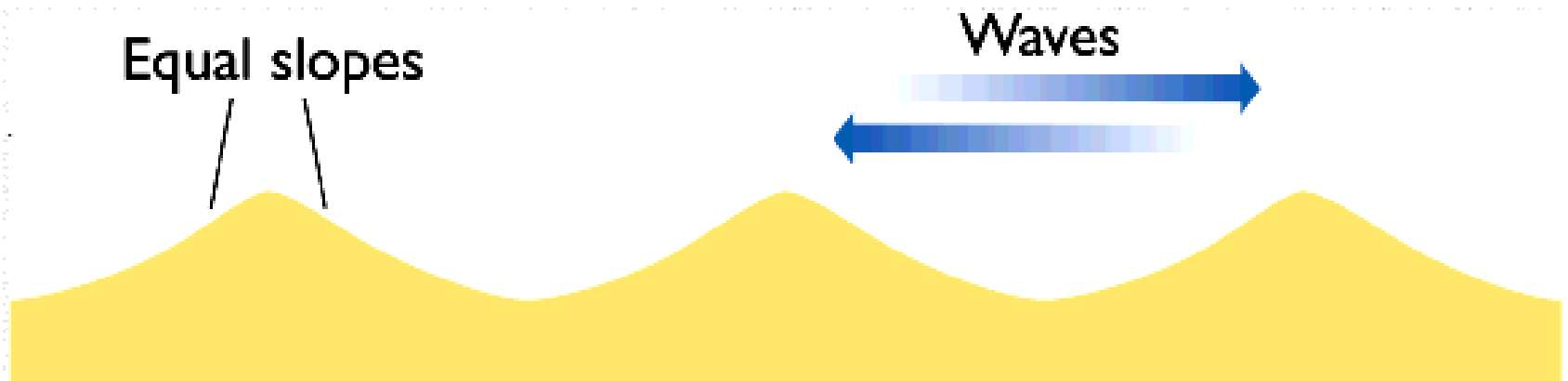
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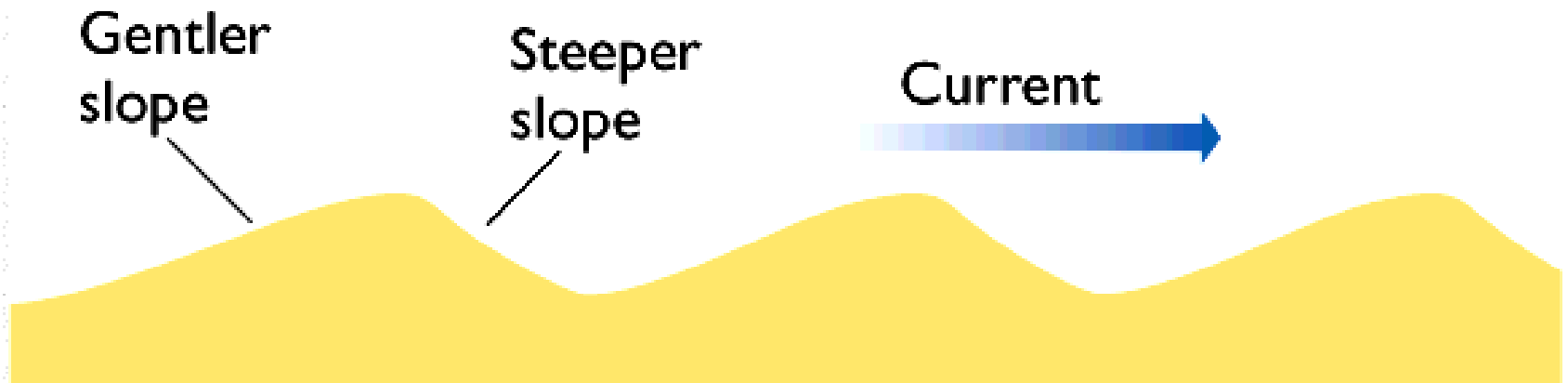




Strutture trattive da correnti oscillatorie



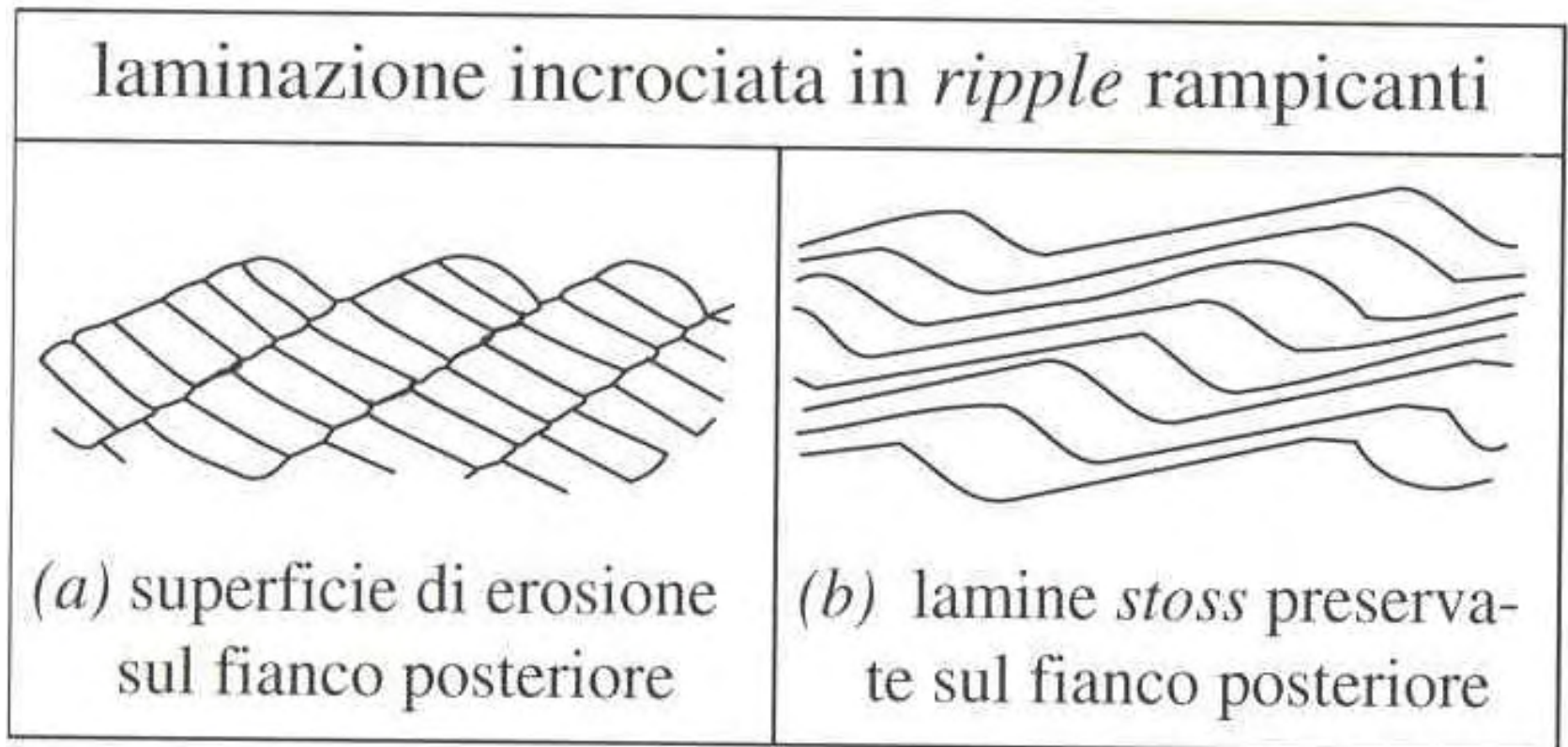
Symmetrical ripples (beach)

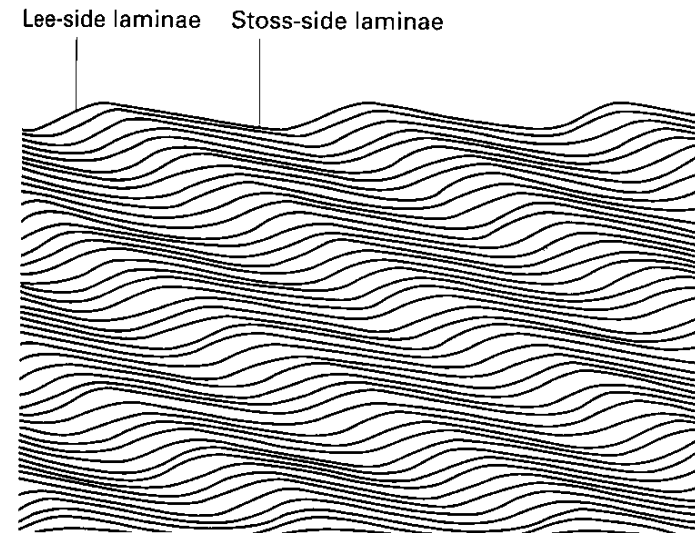
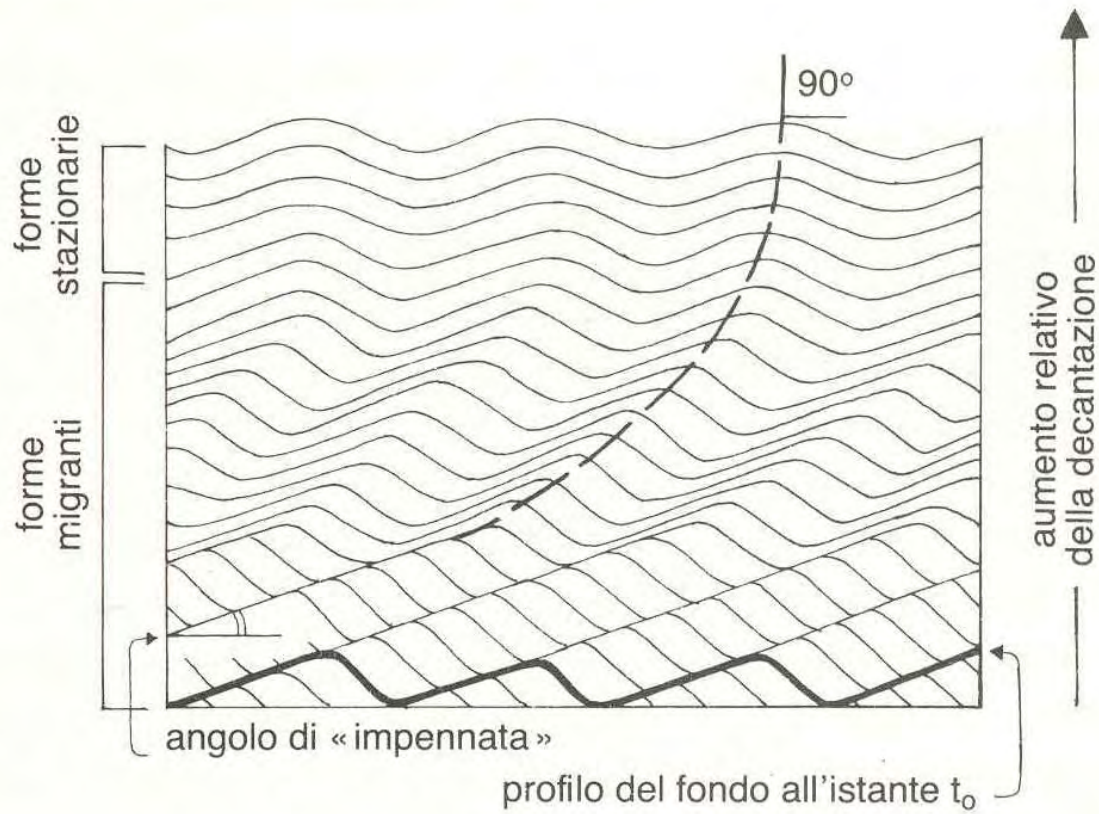


Asymmetrical ripples (dune)

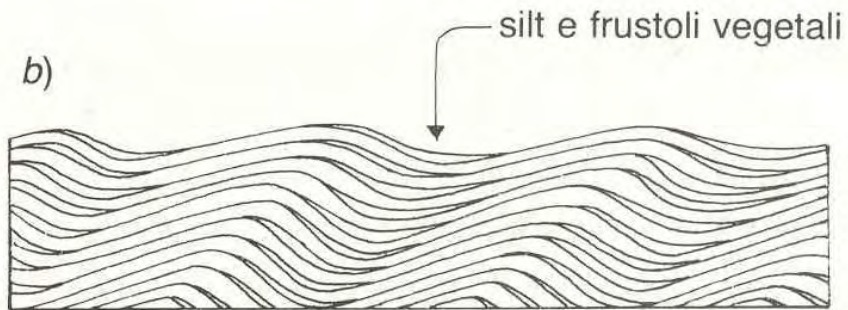
Trazione e decantazione

- Corrente in fase calante (decelerazione, diminuzione di profondità): deposizione
- Se ci sono particelle in sospensione la trazione è accompagnata dalla decantazione (matrice o lamine scure), trazione è ostacolata, migrazione rallenta: deposizione anche sul lato posteriore: *climbing ripples*





Decantazione e trazione



c)



Palazzo Ferrari, Modena

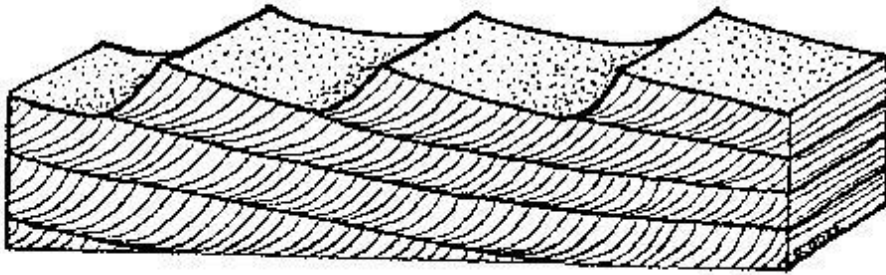






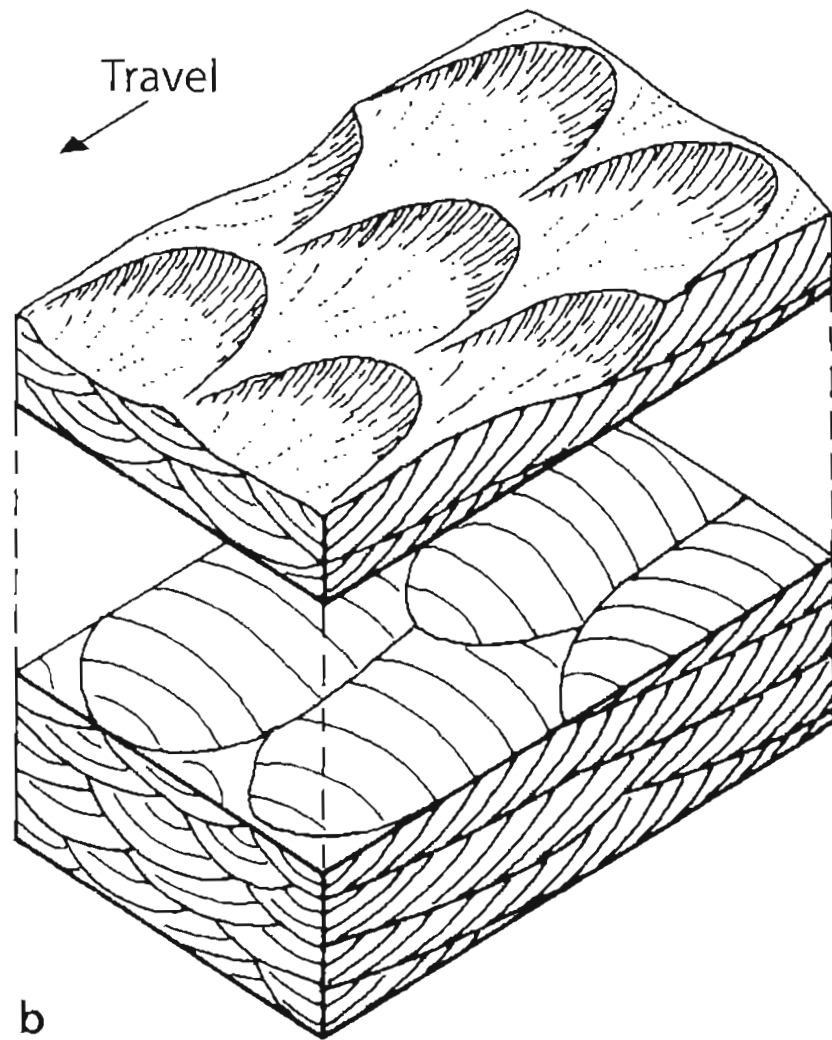
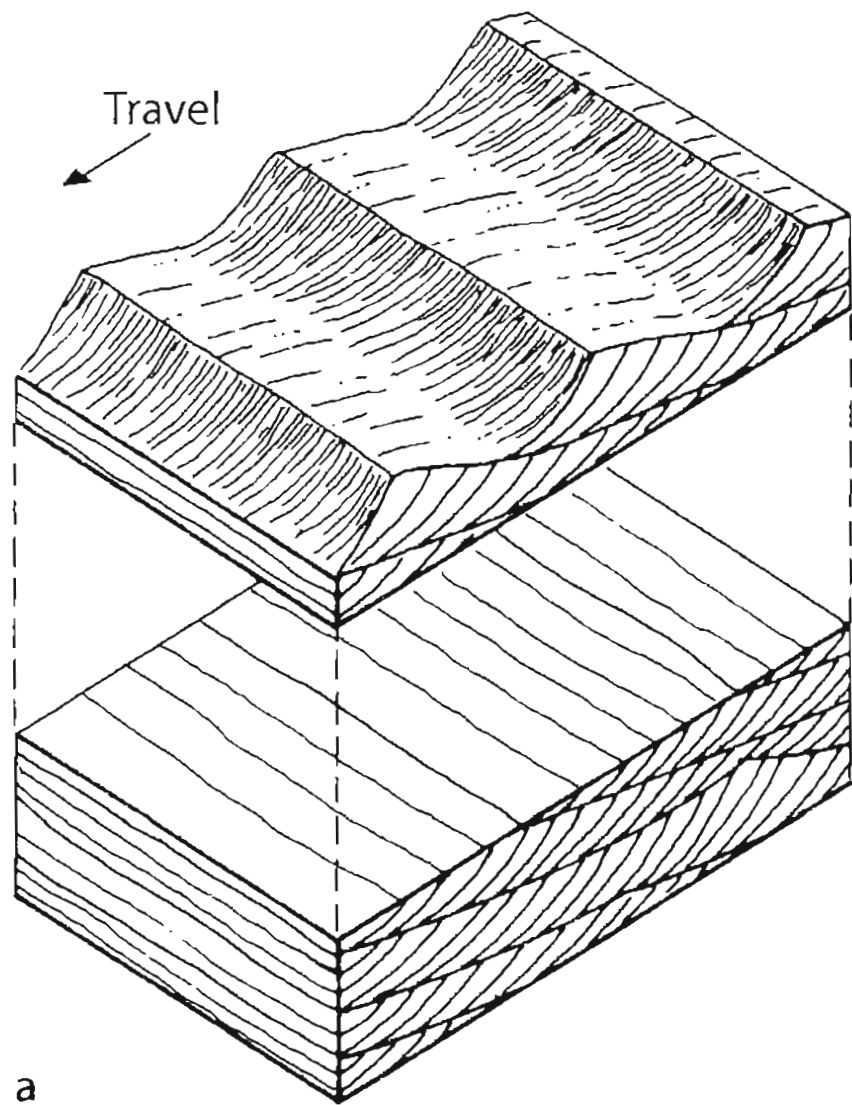


Direzione corrente

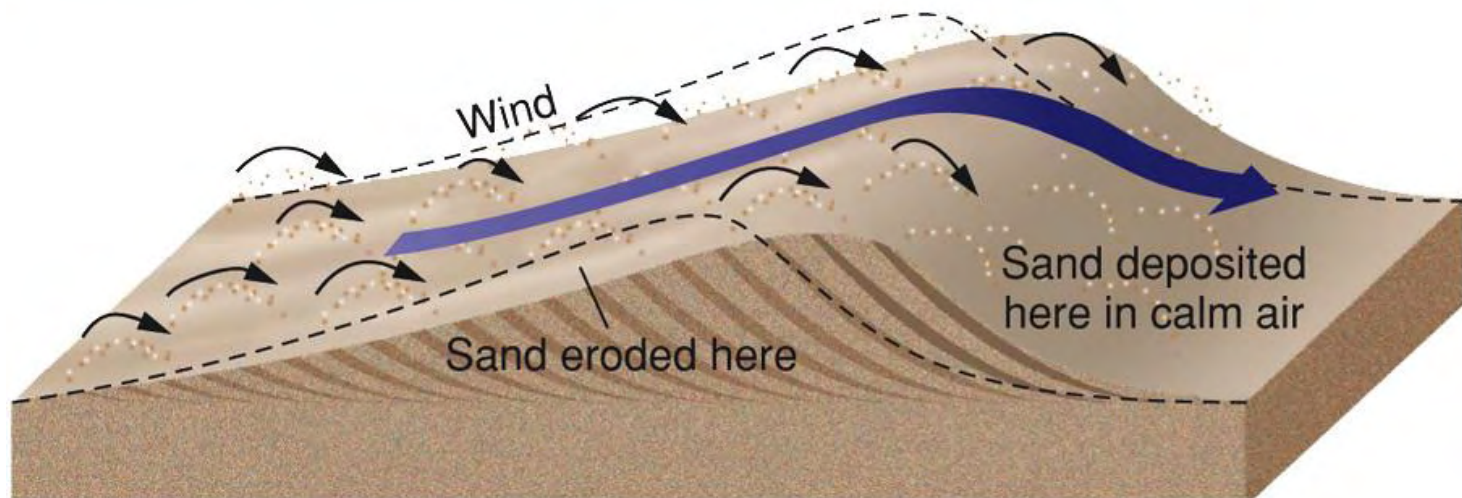
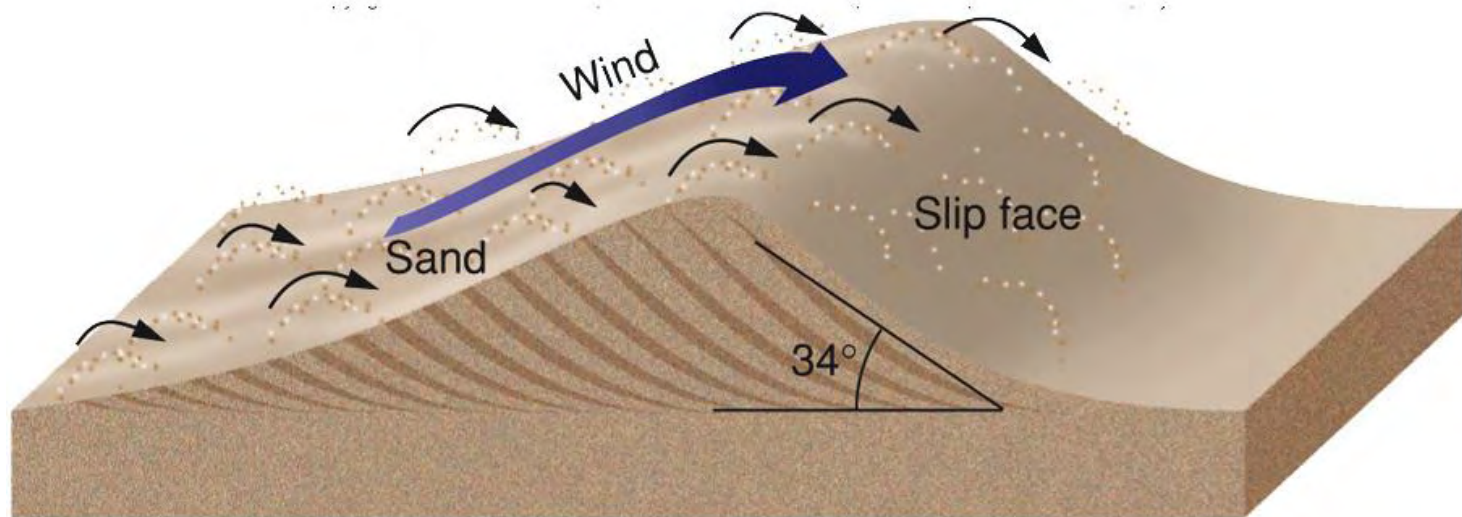


Current Ripple

unimodale	bimodale		polimodale
	bipolare	obliqua	

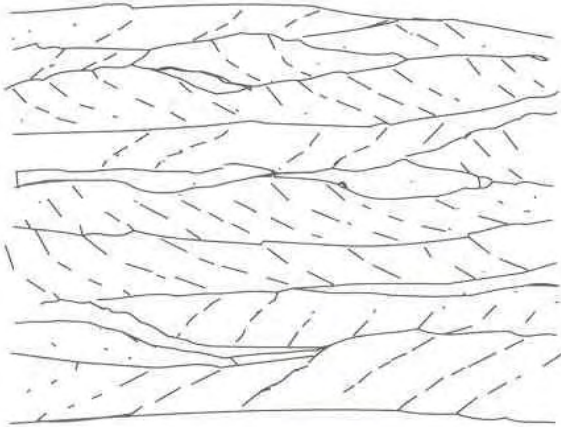


Dune eoliche



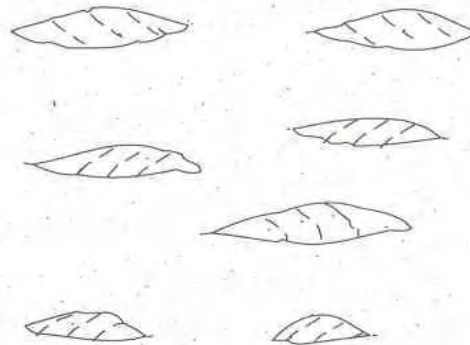
Alternanza trazione-decantazione: stratificazione ritmica

stratificazione flaser

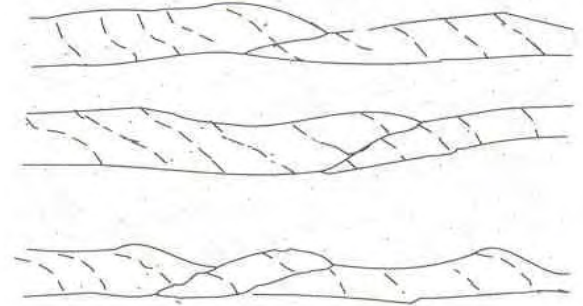


stratificazione lenticolare

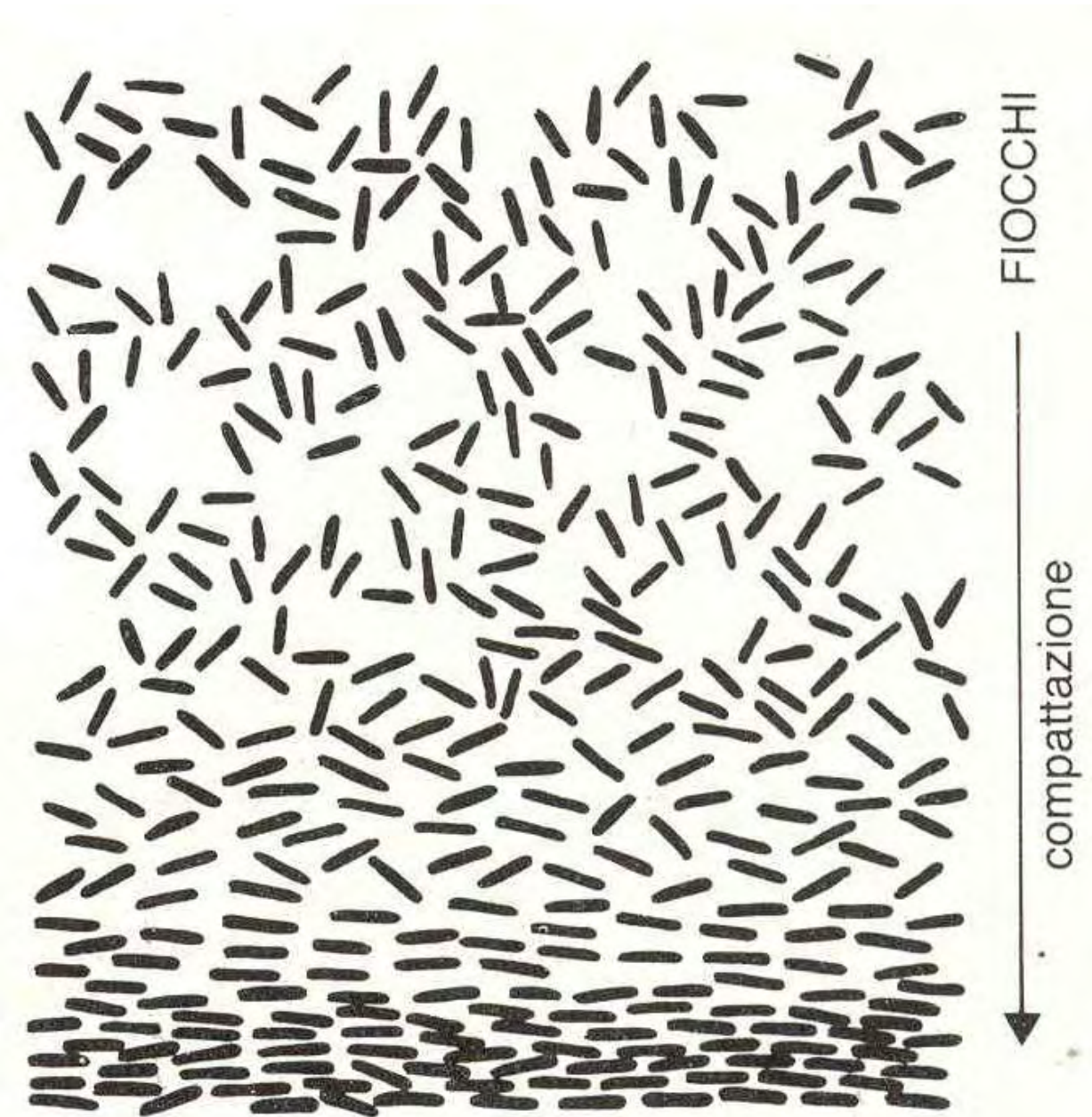
10 cm



stratificazione ondulata

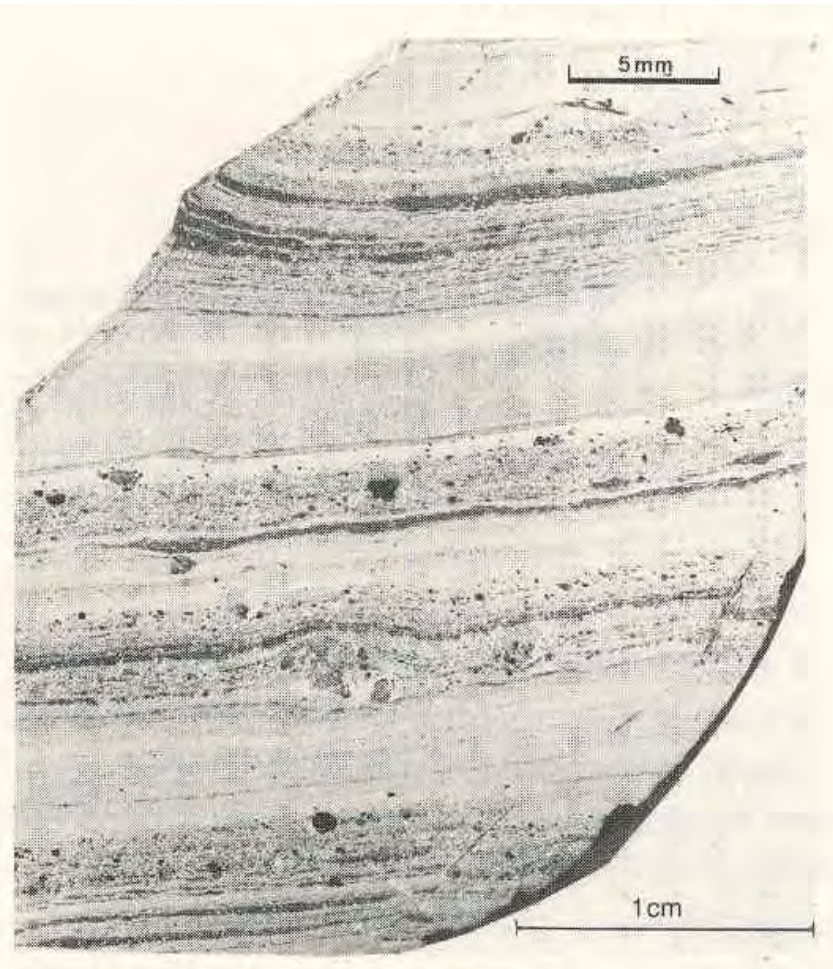


Decantazione



- Da sospensioni diluite (concentrazione $<0.1\%$) quando V della corrente scende e turbolenza non sostiene particelle
- Fango (silt+argilla+grani "leggeri") gradato
- Sottili lamine piano parallele

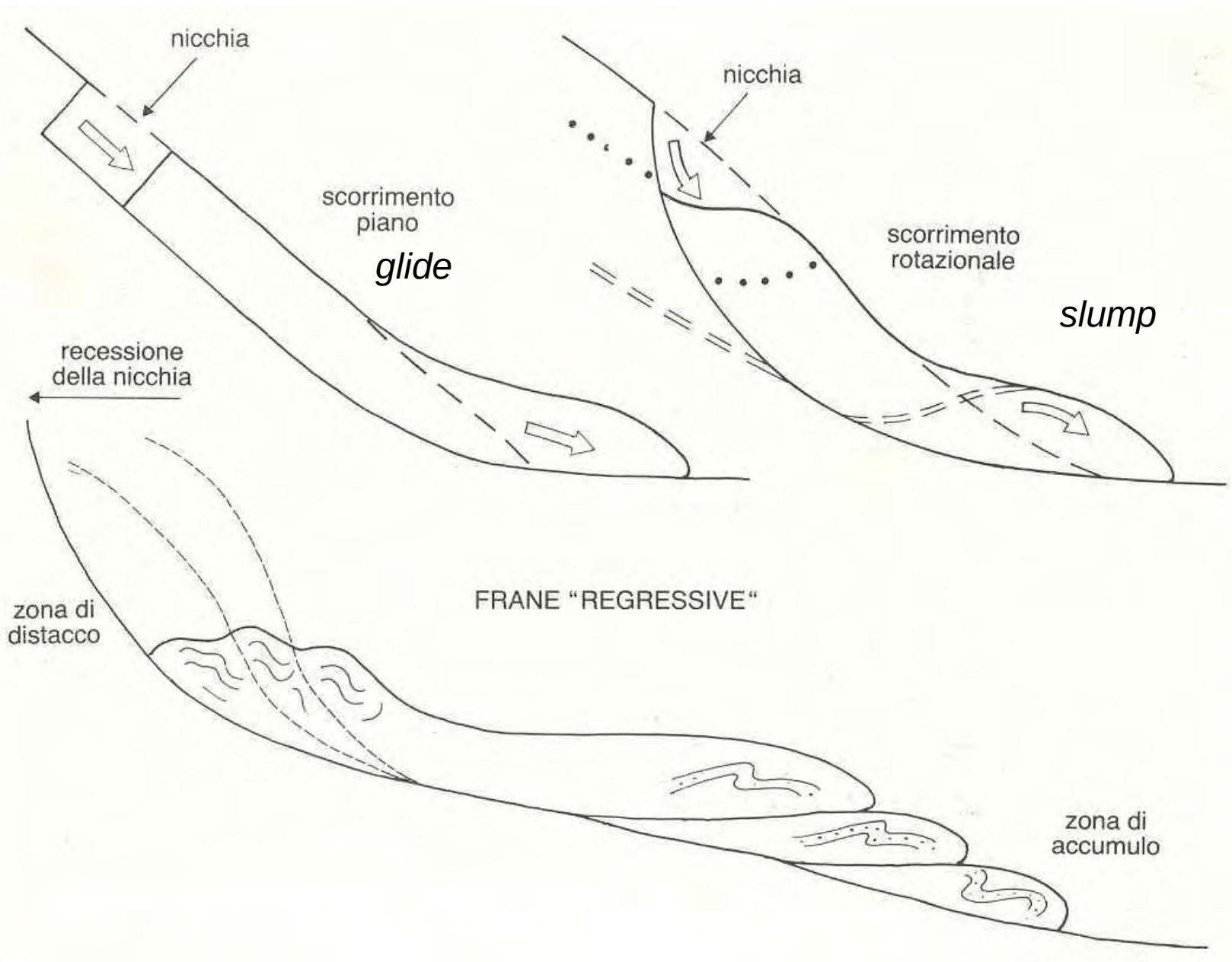
Varve



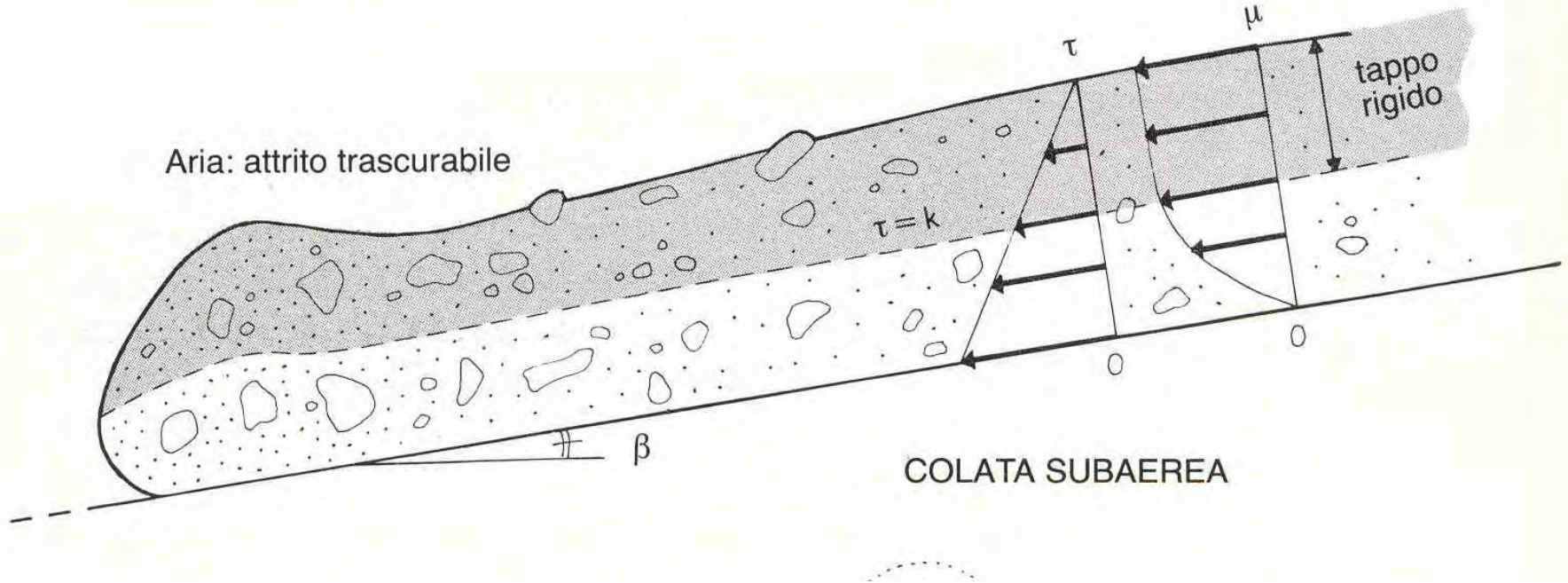
Sottili strati di
decantazione
organizzati in coppie
annuai che hanno
colmato i laghi
periglaciali quaternari

Estate: grossolano
Inverno: fine e sottile

Processi gravitativi: frane



Processi gravitativi: colate fangose



- Mud flow
- Sand flow
- Debris flow

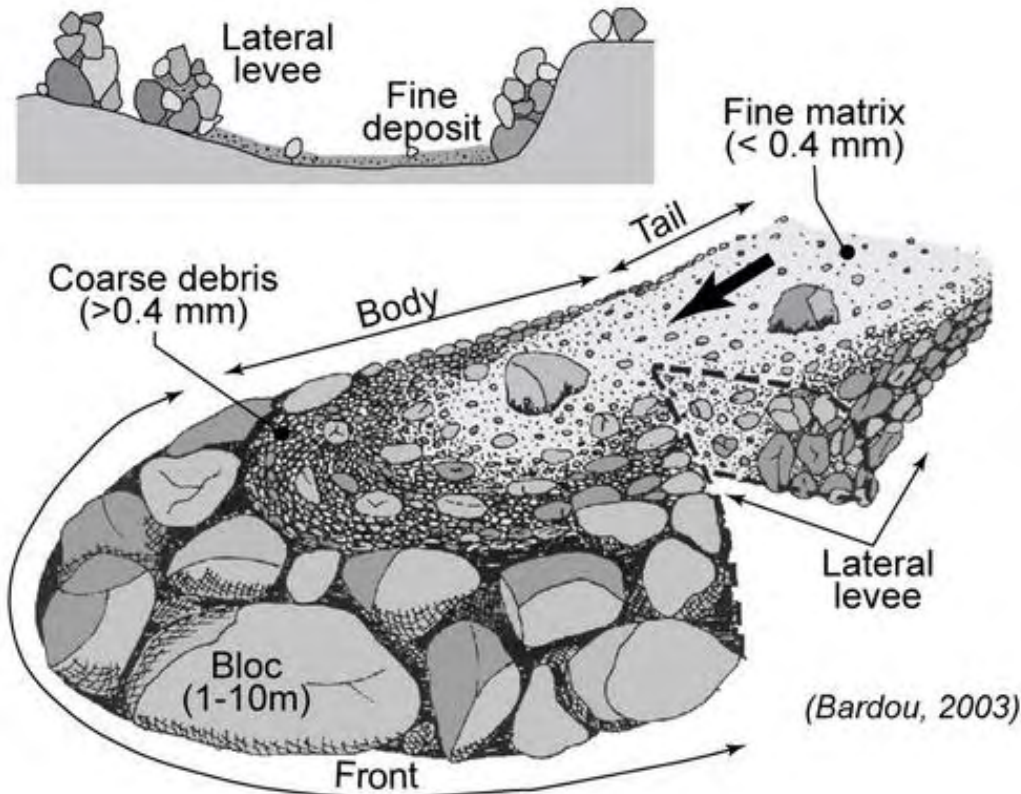
Fango supporta le particelle grossolane e smorza gli attriti: competenza
Colata con $v = 50 \text{ cm/s}$ può trasportare blocchi di 1m



Postseismic debris flows fan driven by heavy rainfall in Hongchun Gully on August 13, 2010 (taken 14 August, 2010)

Li et al., 2014

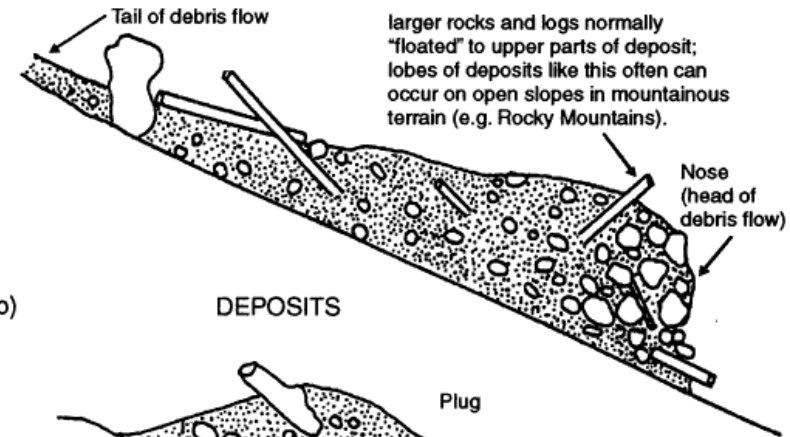
Debris flow



- Debris flows are made up of "loose" particles that move independently within the flow, at least 50% of particles are sand-size or larger particles
- A slide is a coherent block of material that "slides" over a failure surface.
- A mud flow is composed of mud and water.

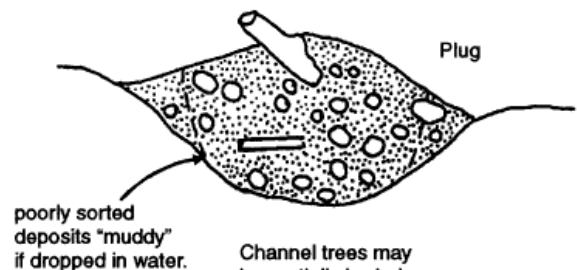
COMMON DEBRIS FLOW (TORRENT) FEATURES

a) Depositional lobe

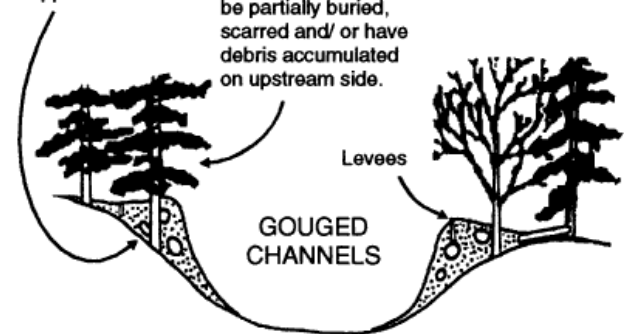


b)

DEPOSITS



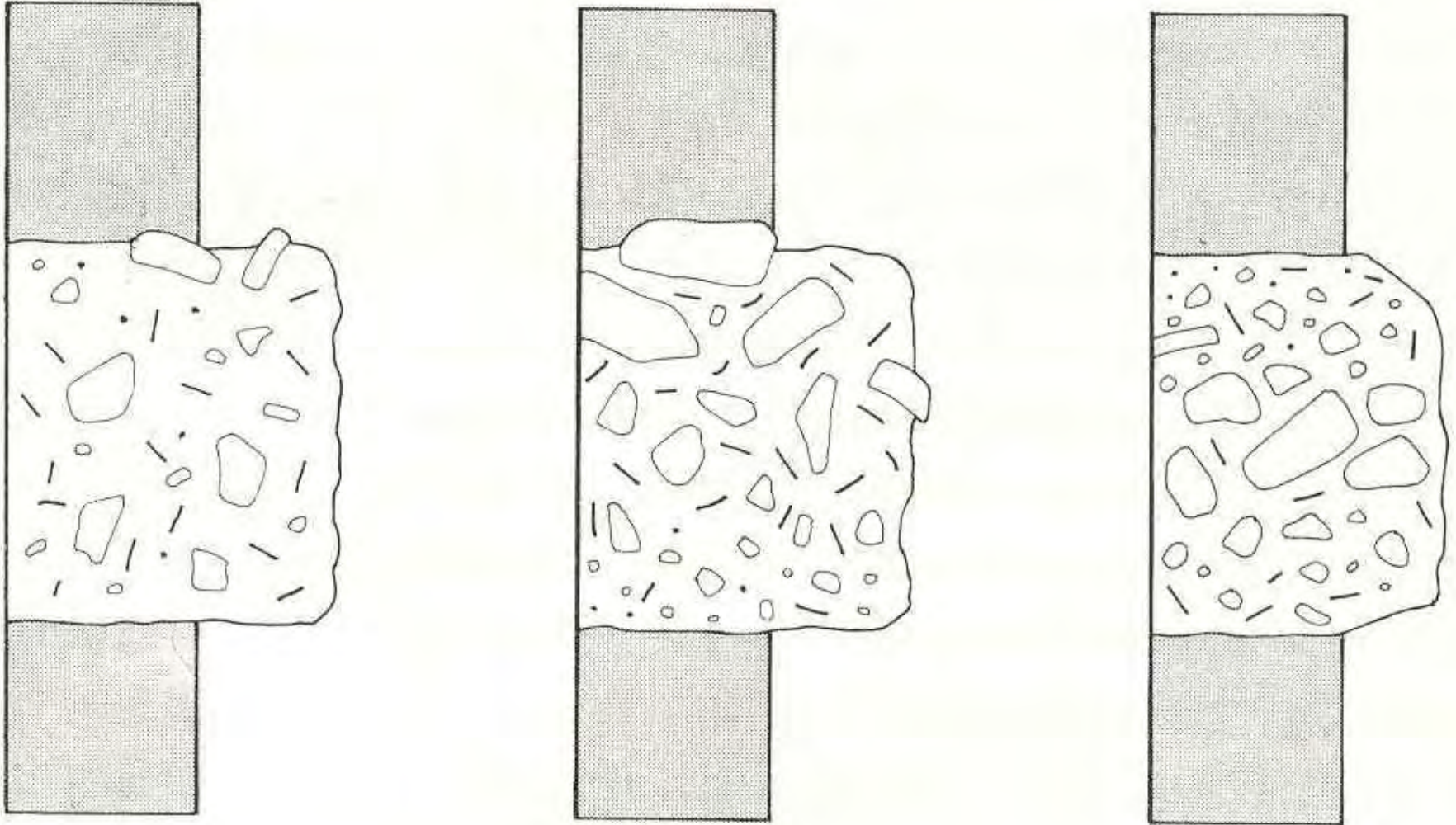
c)



In areas of very steep slopes they can reach speeds of over 160 km/hour. However, many debris flows are very slow, 30 to 60 cm/year)

Colate di detrito (*debris flow*)

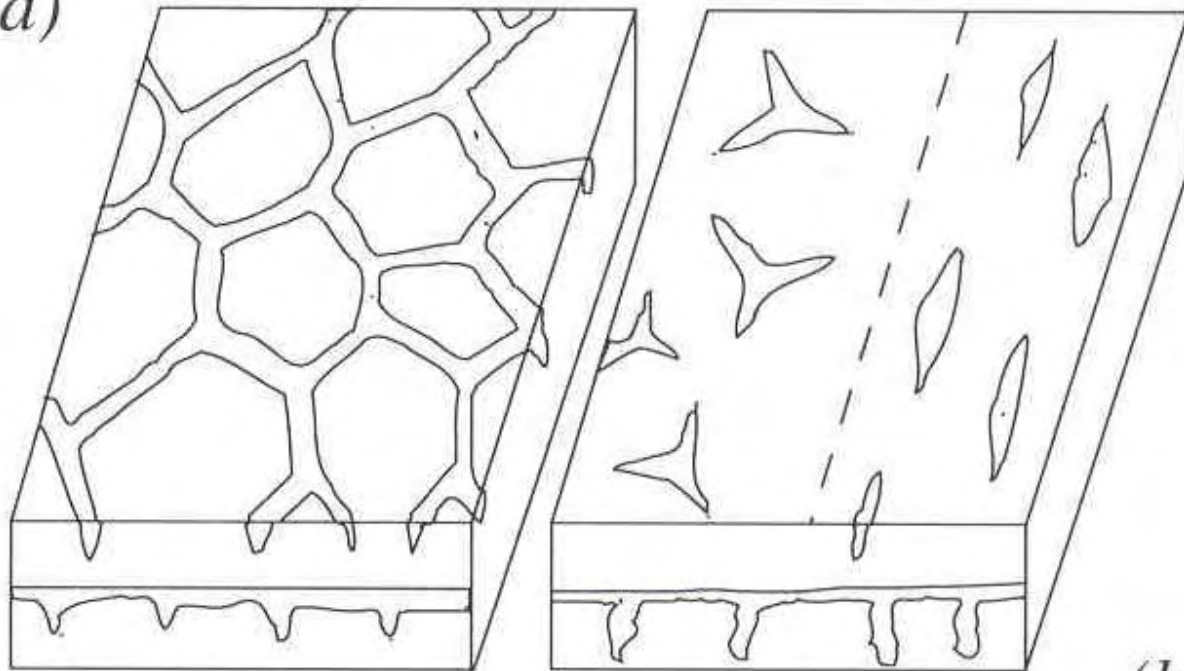
Arresto: “congelamento” - giacitura tipicamente caotica e disorganizzata



Mud Cracks
poligoni da
disseccamento

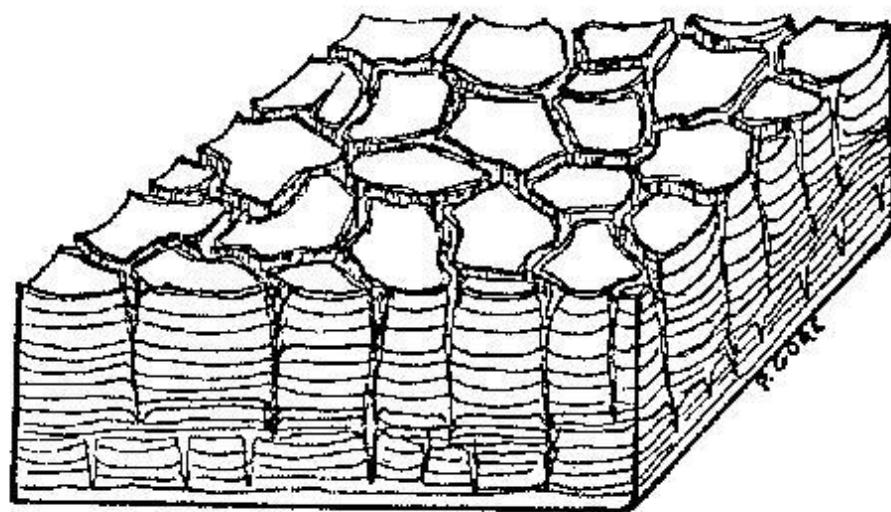


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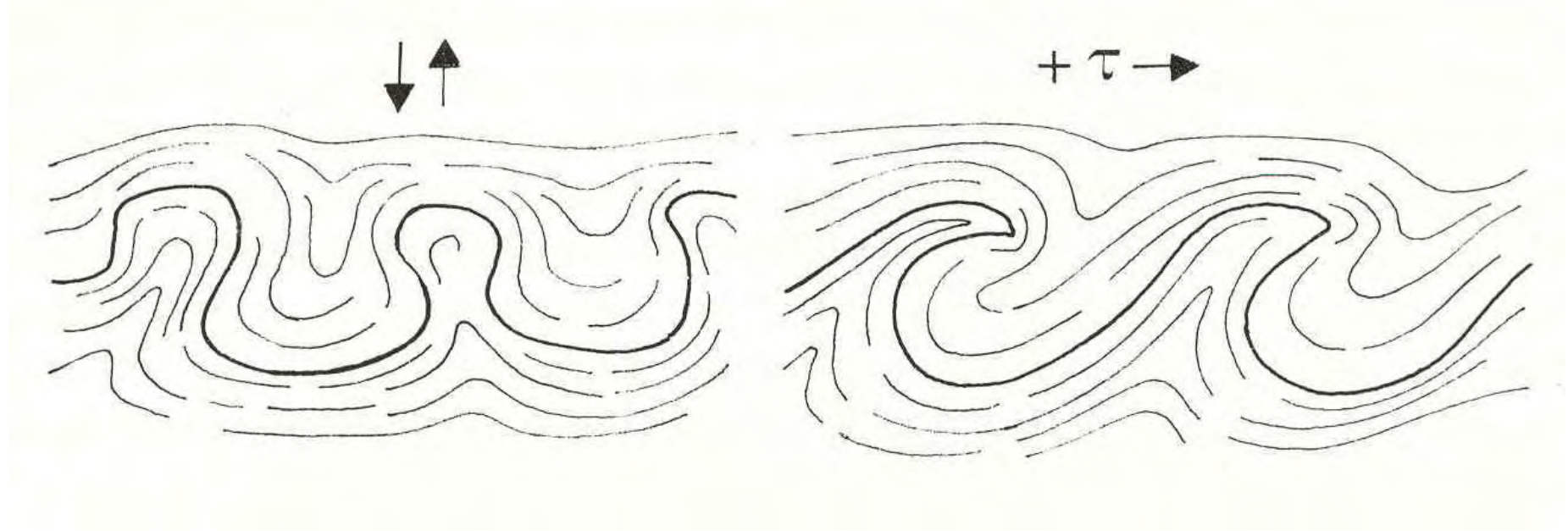


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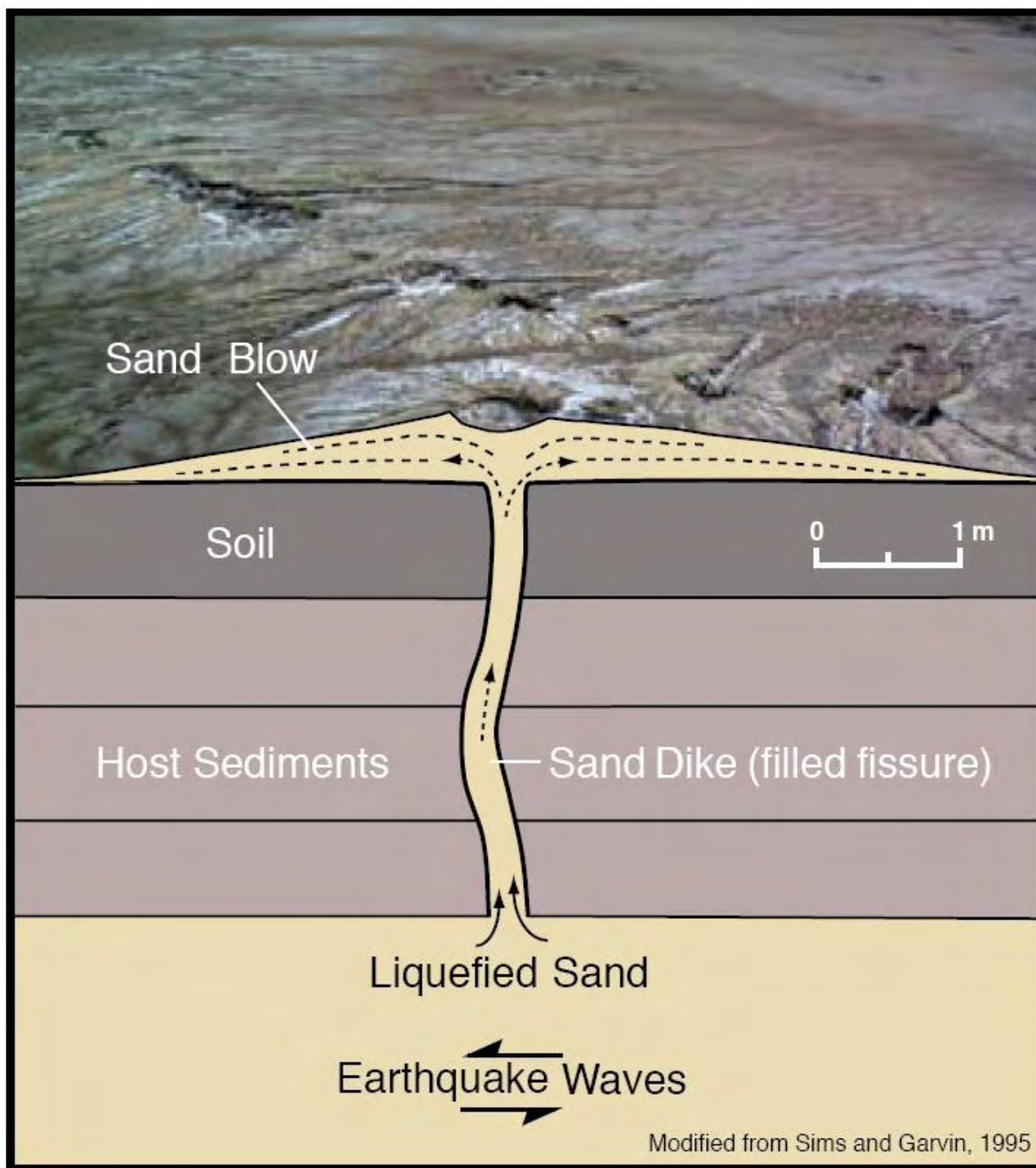
Mud Cracks
poligoni da
disseccamento



Strutture deformative



- convoluzioni



Liquefaction

Tuttle, 2011

**80 % of the effects induced on May 20,
20% on May 29.**

**Many liquefaction phenomena have been reactivated by the
second quake.**

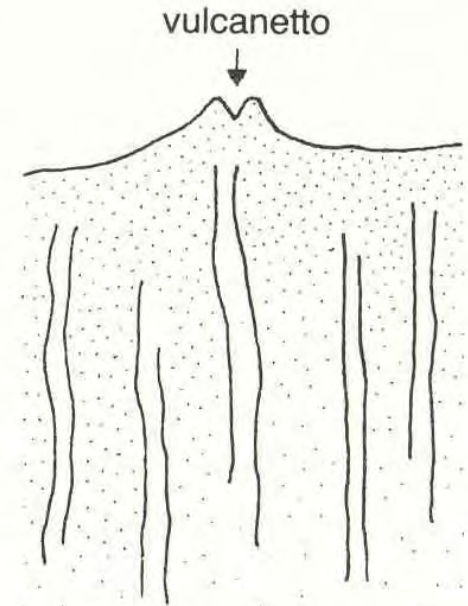




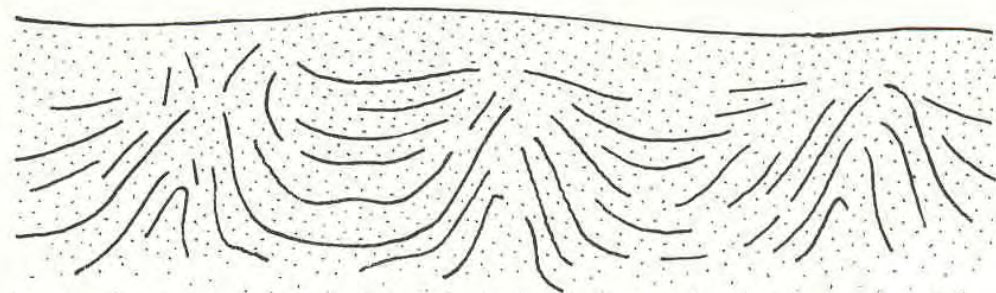
Iniezione e fluidificazione



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“CONVOLUZIONI A CUSPIDE”

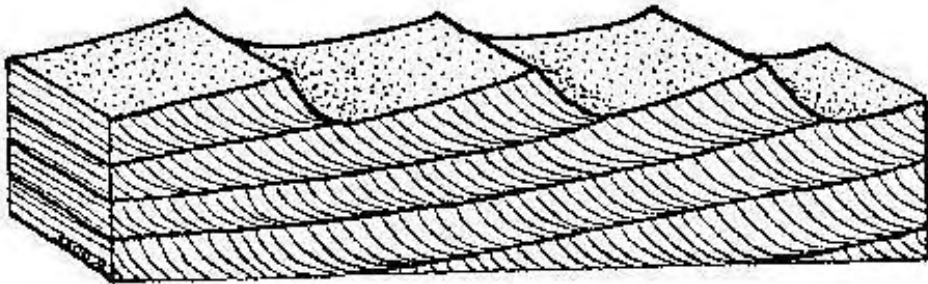


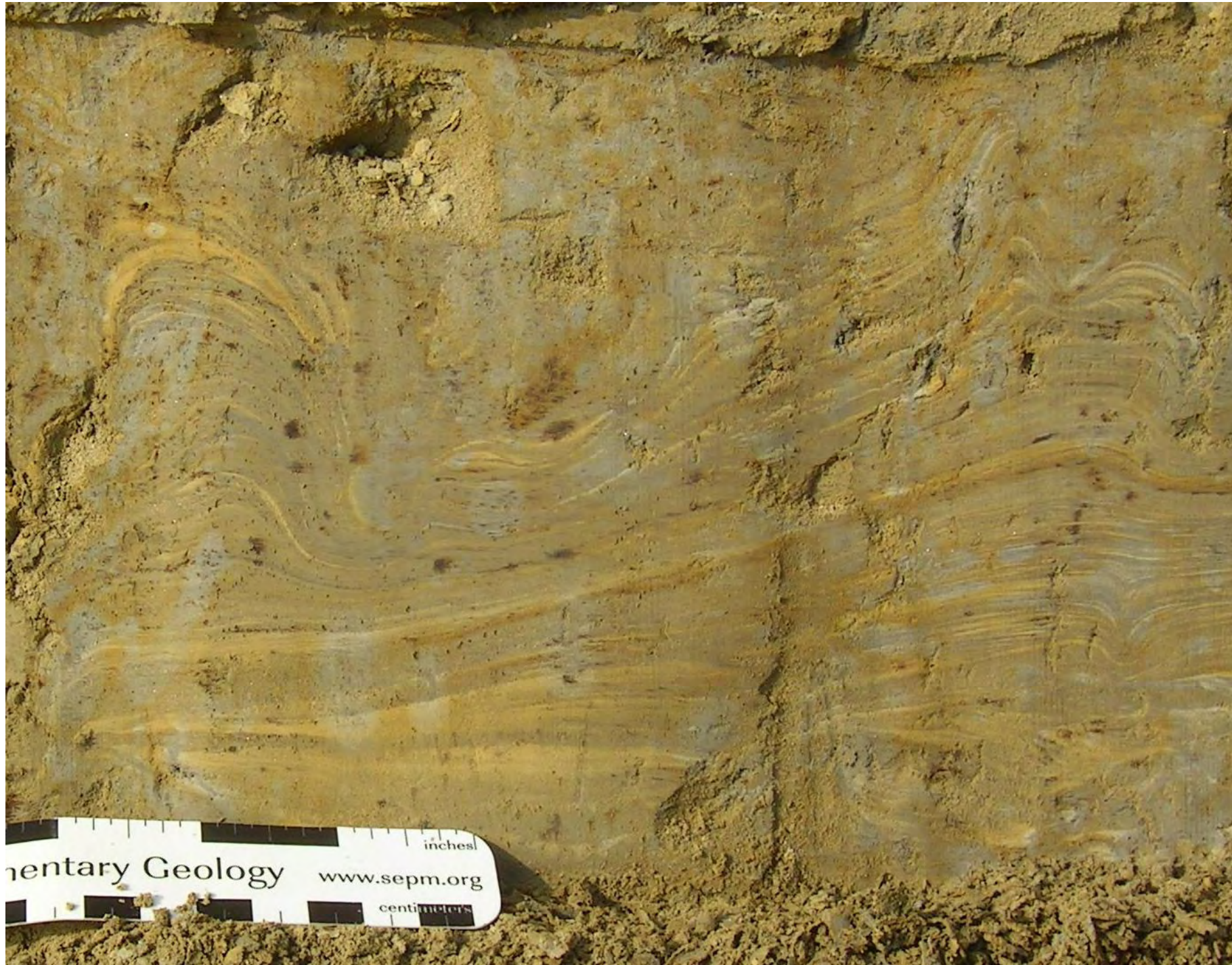
Lo scavo di Via Emilia Est





corrente →





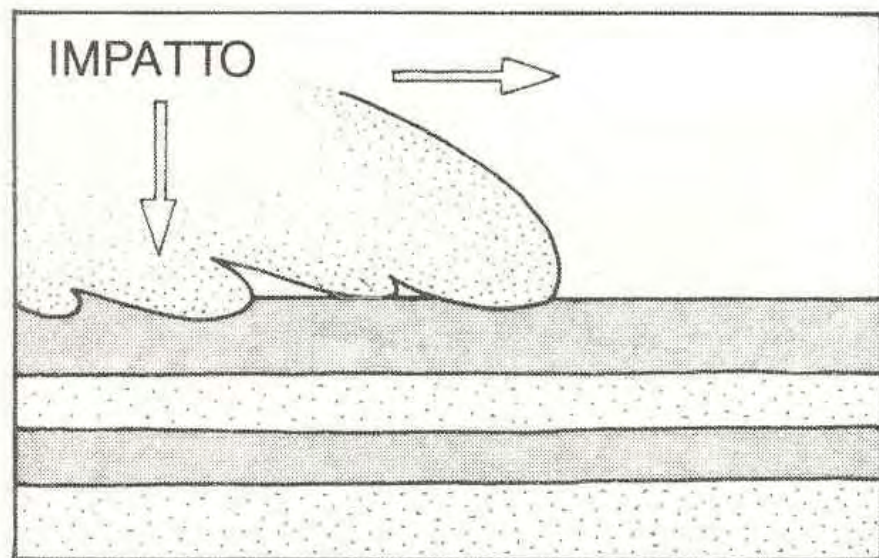
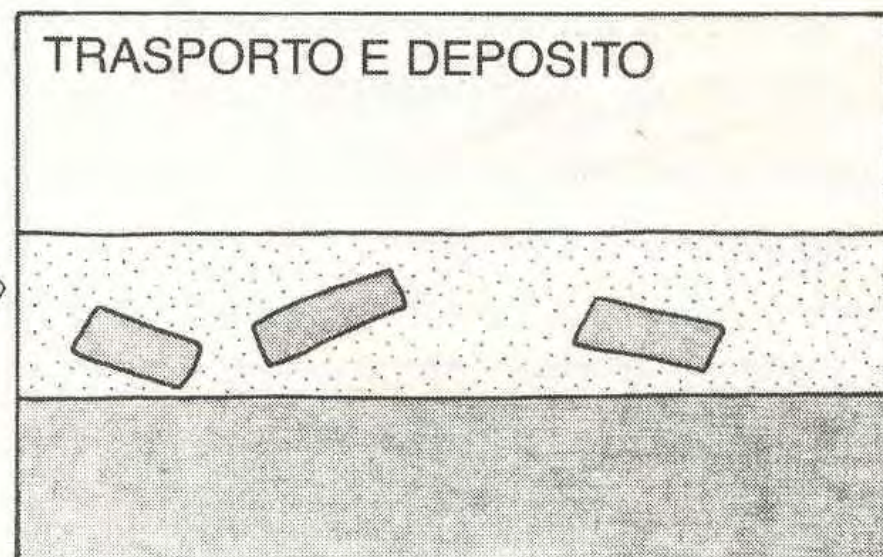
Elementary Geology

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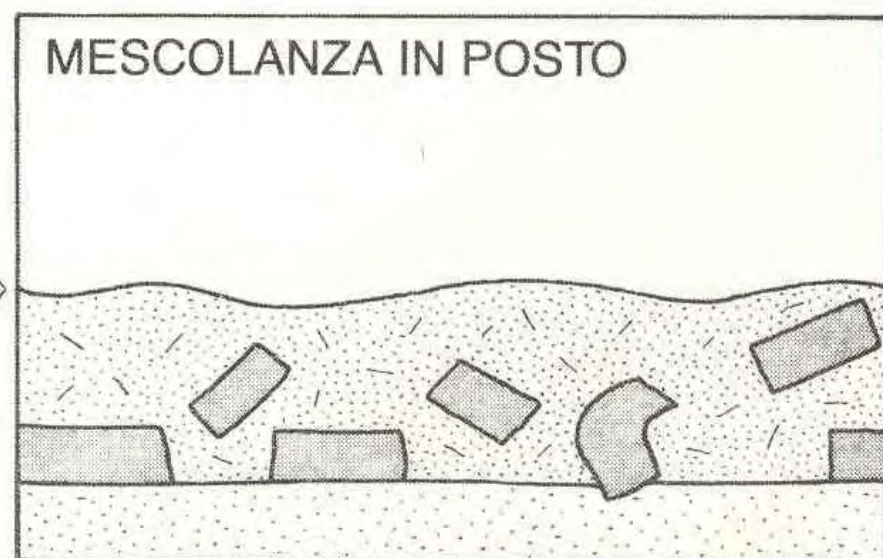
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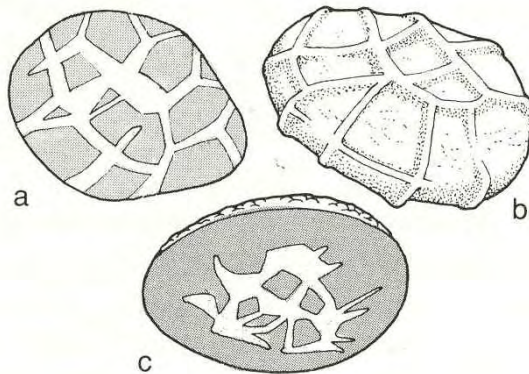
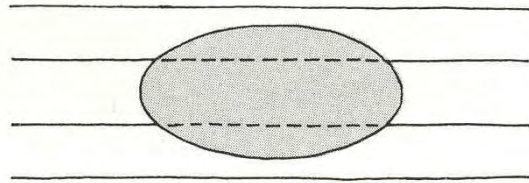
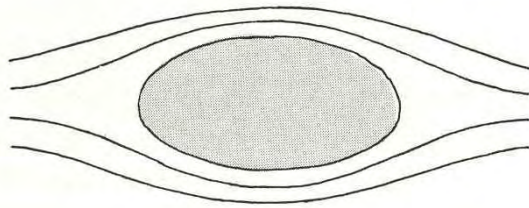
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b)



CONCREZIONE

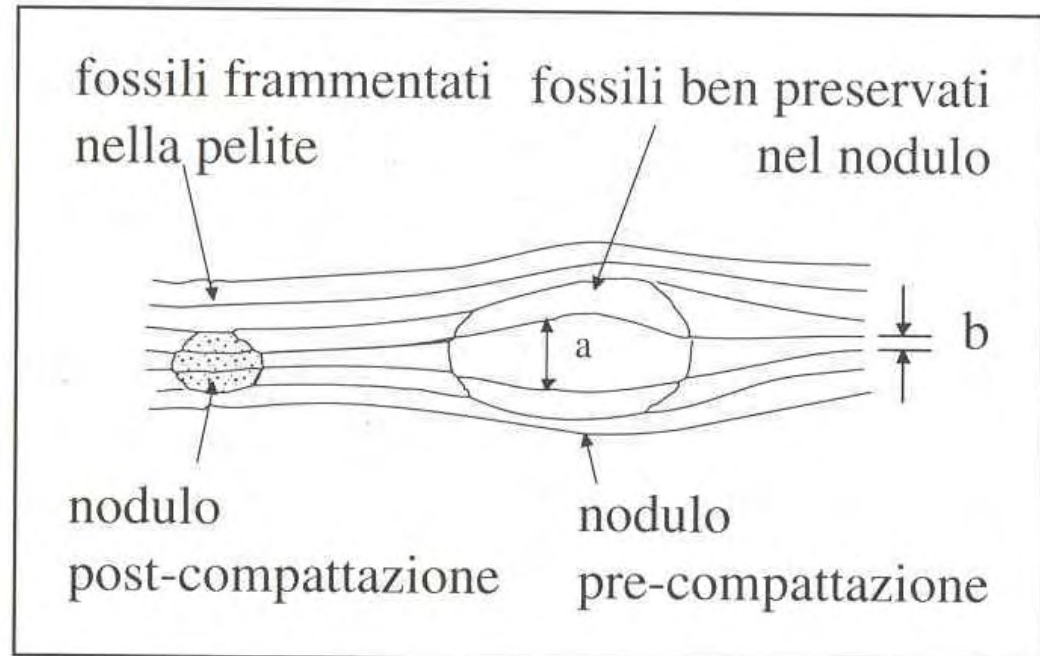


a) Diagenesi precoce (pre-consolidamento):
deformazione passiva

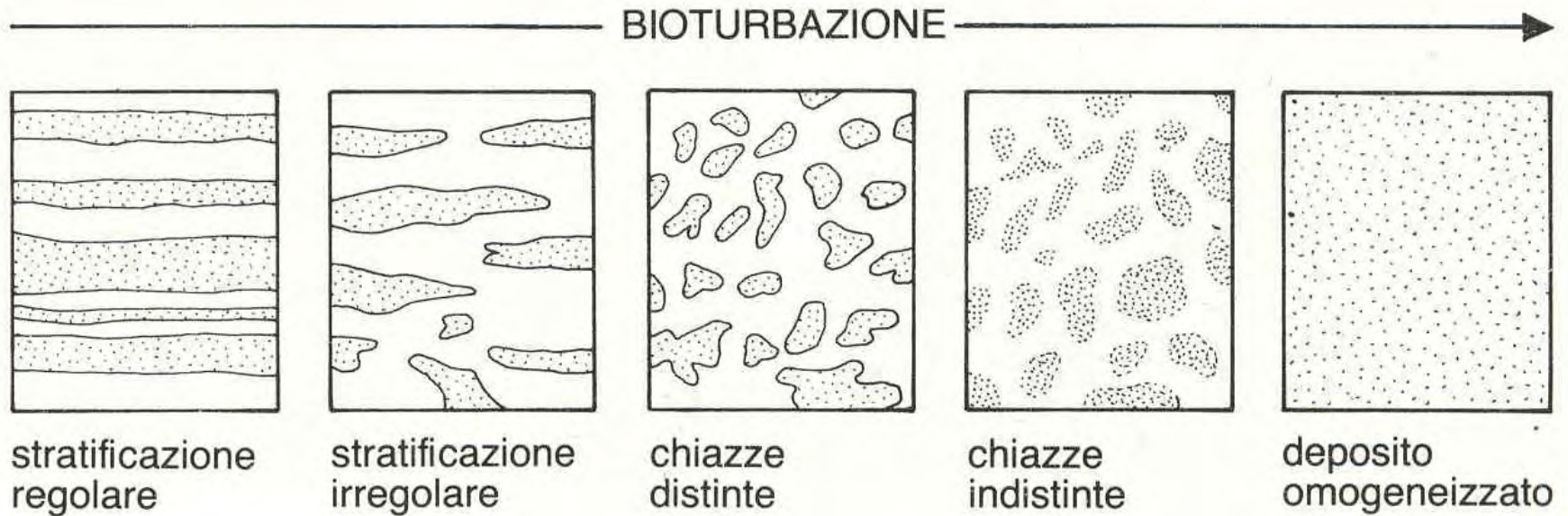
b) Diagenesi tardiva (post-litificazione):
assenza di deformazione

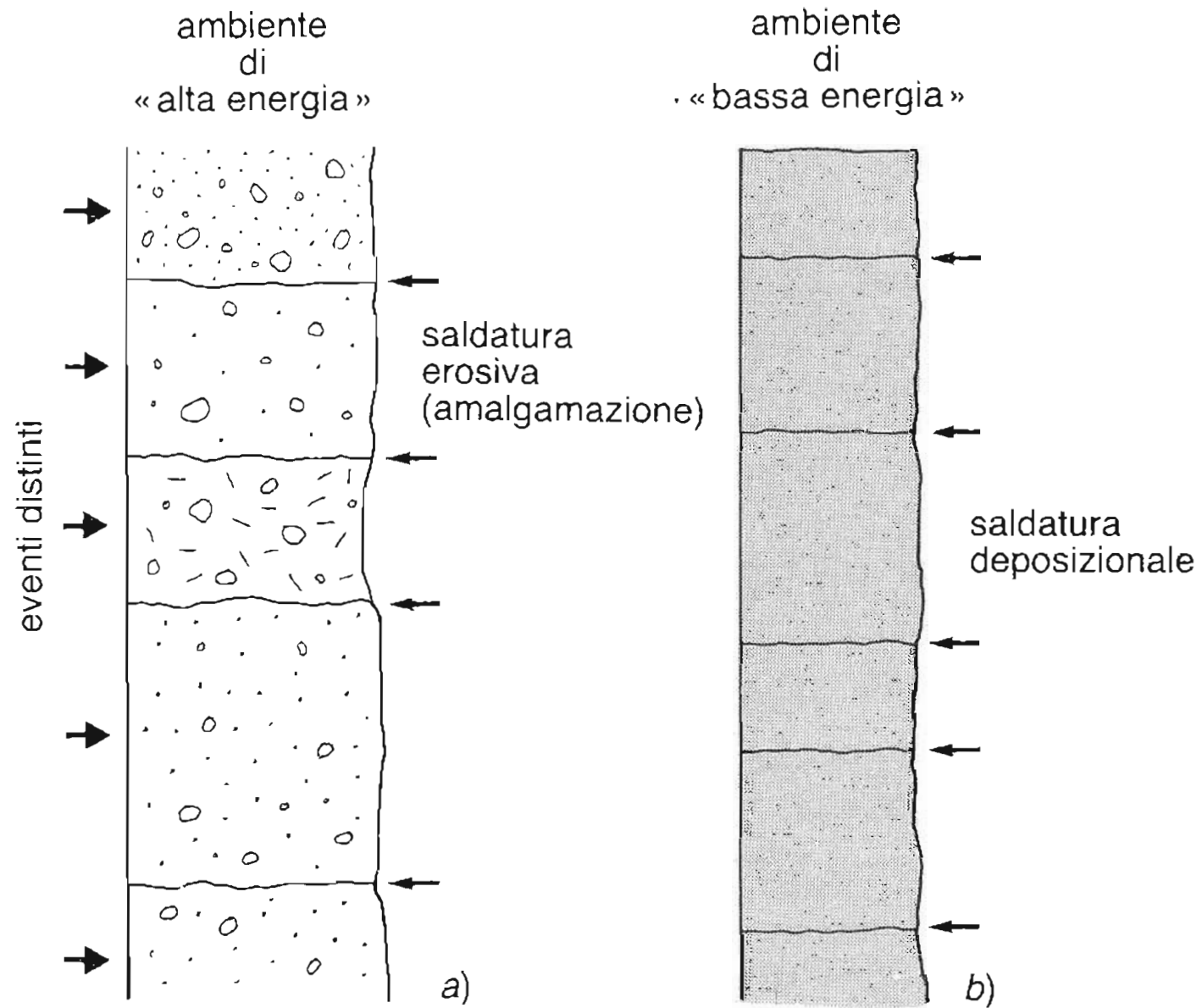
c) septarie: a) levigata da trasporto
fluviale, b) con creste sporgenti per
erosione della marna, c) in sezione
(cavità riempita da sali)

Strutture chimiche



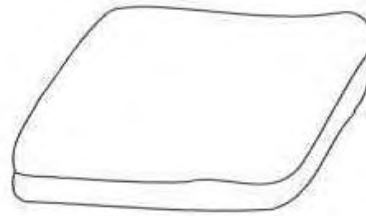
Strutture biogene



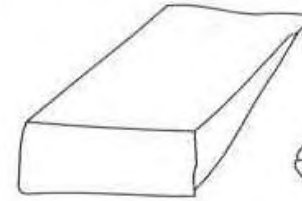


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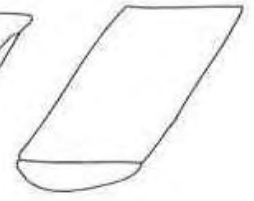
geometria degli strati/unità litologiche (a piccola scala)



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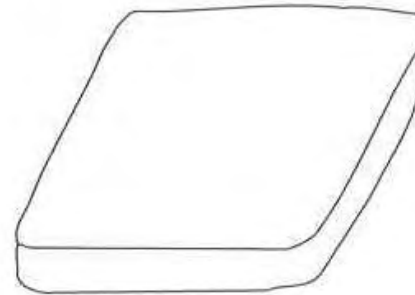


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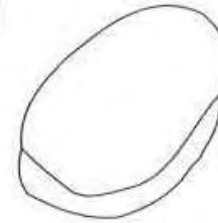


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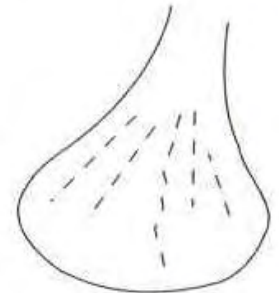
geometria dei corpi sedimentari (a grande scala)



laminare



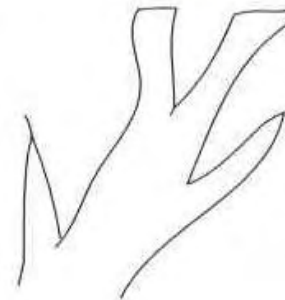
a placca



a ventaglio/cono



nastriforme



dendroide



catenaria

- Strato: singolo evento deposizionale “finito” (sedimentazione come fenomeno discontinuo)
- Lamina: evento minore “infinitesimo” (pulsazione o fluttuazione delle condizioni entro un processo continuo)