

(B) Texture

in german: Textur = Sedimentgefüge (dagegen: Struktur = Sedimentstrukturen)



1. Grain size
2. Grain morphology (shape, roundness, surface texture, etc.)
3. Sorting (grain-size distribution)
4. Grain fabric (packing, contacts, orientation)

1) see script p. 5

2) Grain morphology

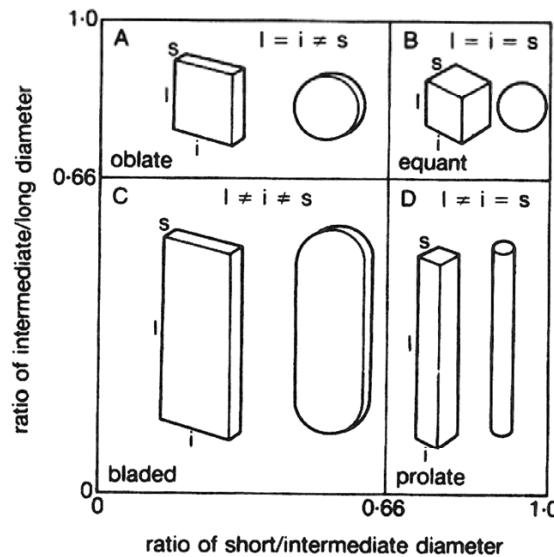
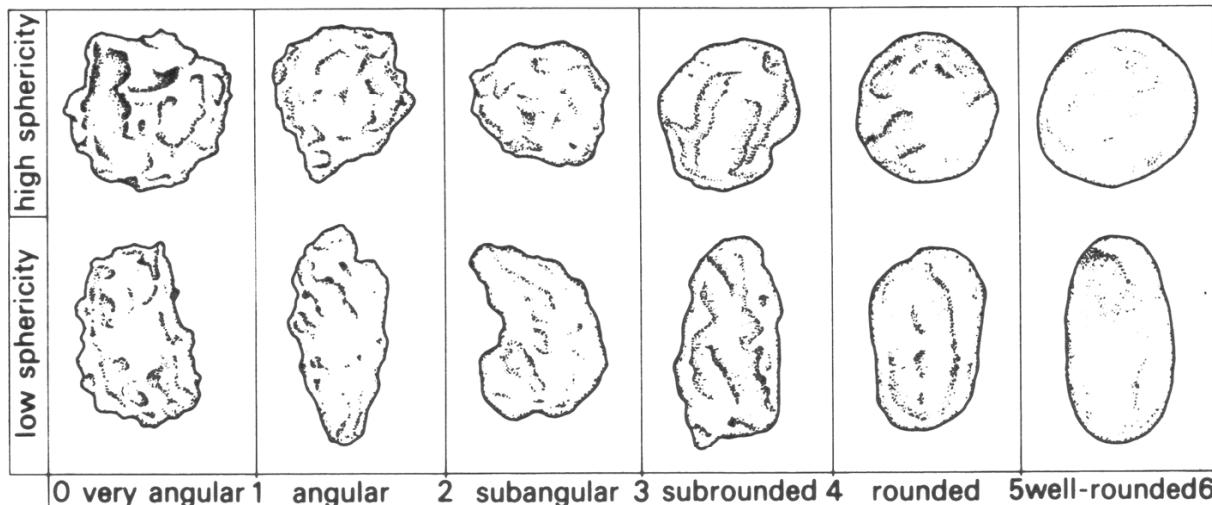


Fig. 2.5 The four classes of grain shape based on the ratios of the long (I), intermediate (i) and short (s) diameters (after T. Zingg). Classes are A, oblate (tabular or disc-shaped); B, equant (cubic or spherical); C, bladed and D, prolate (rod-shaped). For each class a shape is illustrated of roundness 0 and 6 (see Fig. 2.6).

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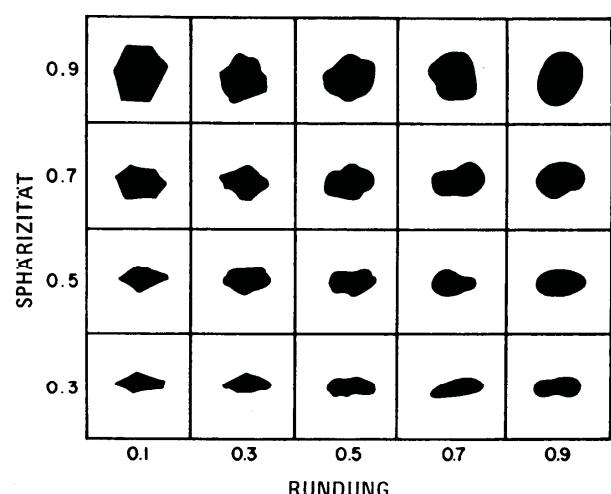


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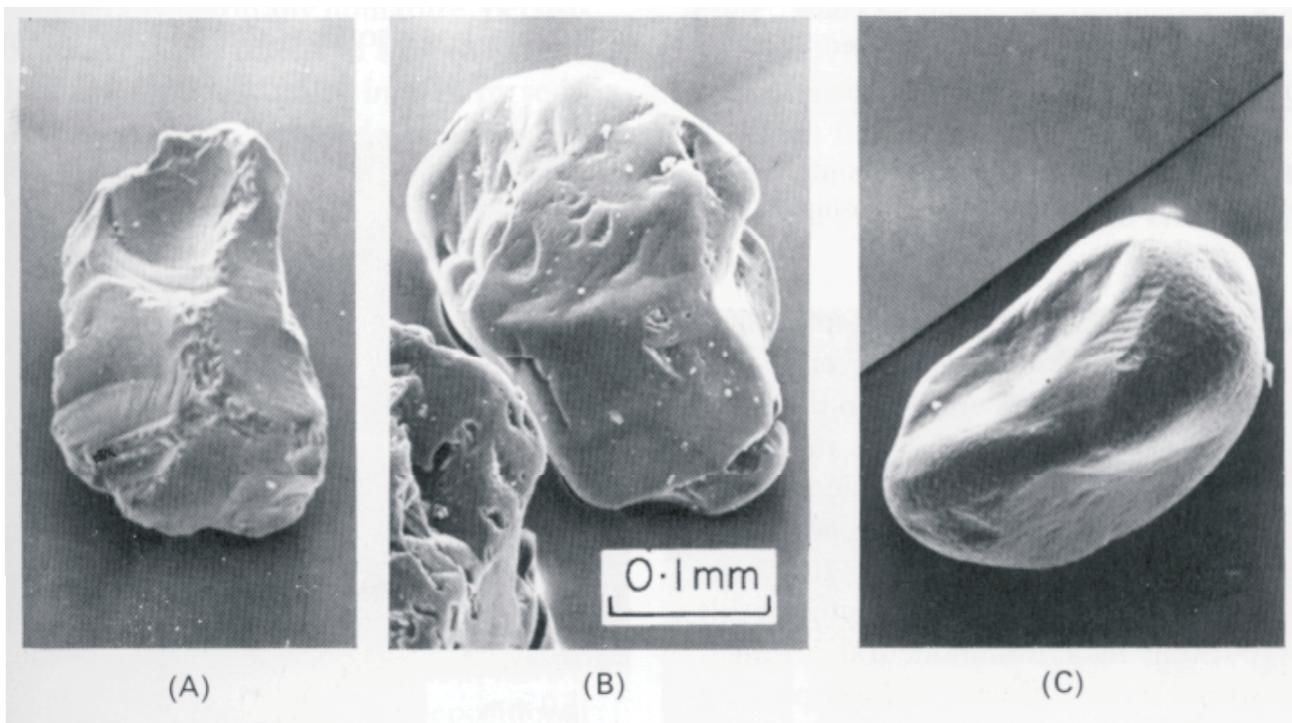
Fig. 2.6 Categories of roundness for sediment grains. For each category a grain of low and high sphericity is shown. After Pettijohn et al. (1987)

Flügel 1978 p.173

Abb. 31 Schätzbilder für Rundung und Sphärität. Nach Krumböck u. Sloss (1963). Erforderlich ist die Erfassung von mindestens 100 Komponenten, wobei unterschiedliche Korngrößenklassen zu berücksichtigen sind.



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SEM images of quartz grains: (A) glacial, (B) high-energy beach , (C) aeolian

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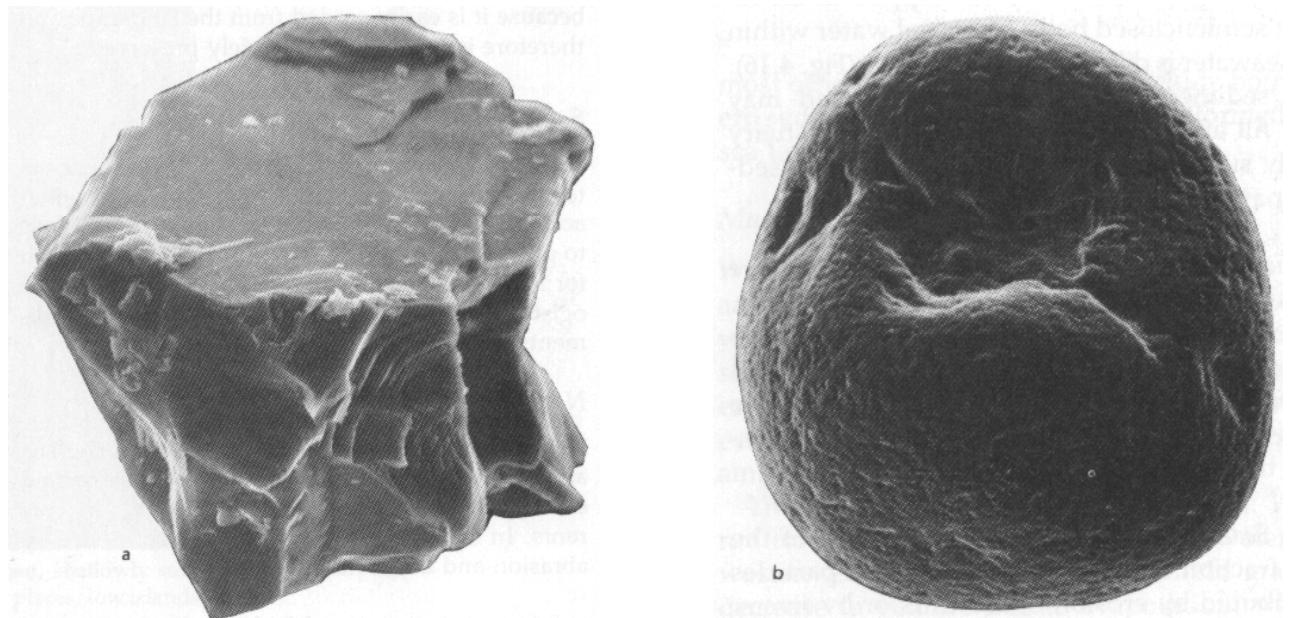


FIGURE 4.18 Surface features of sand grains, seen on enlarged pictures taken with a scanning electron microscope, aid in differentiating among transporting agencies. (a) Surface of a quartz grain (0.1-mm diameter) that has been crushed and abraded during transport at the bed of a Swiss glacier displays distinctive concoidal fractures. (b) Surface of a wind-transported quartz grain (0.5-mm diameter) from south-central Libya has a distinctive pitted appearance caused by mechanical chipping as grains impact one another during strong sandstorms.

zu 3) Sorting

Fig. 2.3 Formulae for the method of moments for grain-size analyses, f is the percentage fraction in each class interval of the total weight of sediment (if a sieve analysis) or of the total number of grains (if data from a thin section), and $m\phi$ is the mid-point value of each class interval in phi units

Tucker 1991 p.13/14

$$\text{Mean (first moment)} = \bar{x} = (f_1 m\phi_1 + f_2 m\phi_2 \dots + f_n m\phi_n)/100, \text{ i.e. } \frac{\sum f m\phi}{100}$$

Standard deviation (second moment) = σ

$$= \sqrt{\frac{f_1(m\phi_1 - \bar{x})^2 + f_2(m\phi_2 - \bar{x})^2 \dots + f_n(m\phi_n - \bar{x})^2}{100}},$$

$$\text{i.e. } \sqrt{\frac{\sum f(m\phi - \bar{x})^2}{100}}$$

$$\text{Moment coefficient of skewness} = \alpha_3 = \frac{\sum f(m\phi - \bar{x})^3}{100\sigma^3}$$

$$\text{Mean-cubed deviation} = \alpha_3\sigma^3 = \frac{\sum f(m\phi - \bar{x})^3}{100}$$

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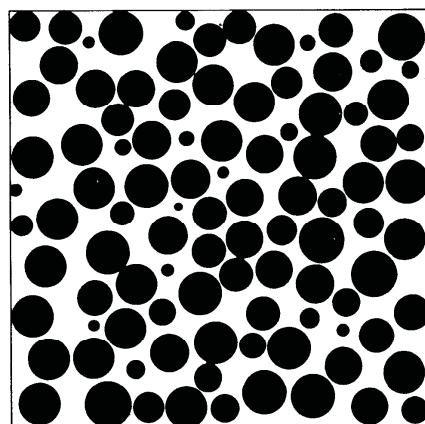


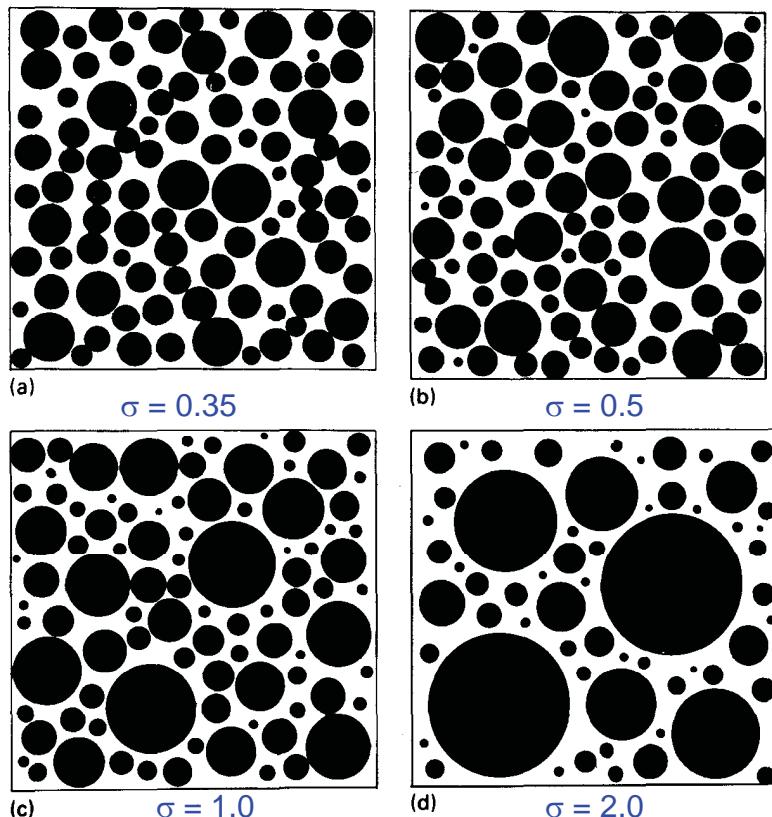
Fig. 2.3 Random section through spherical grains of equal size, showing the apparent different grain sizes present. The view has an apparent sorting of 0.58 (i.e. moderately well sorted) whereas the true sorting value is 0 (i.e. very well sorted). Reproduced from Harrell (1984) with permission of the Society of Economic Paleontologists and Mineralogists.

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Sorting:

(σ = standard deviation)

< 0.35	very good
0.35 – 0.5	good
0.5 – 1.0	moderate
1.0 – 2.0	poor
> 2.0	very poor

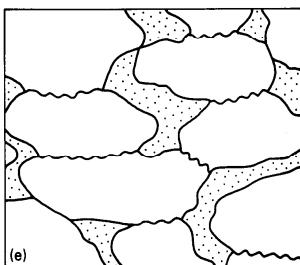
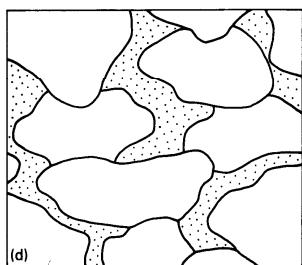
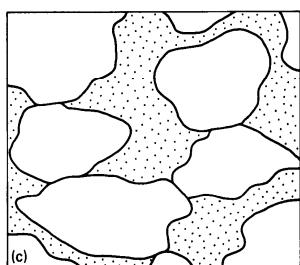
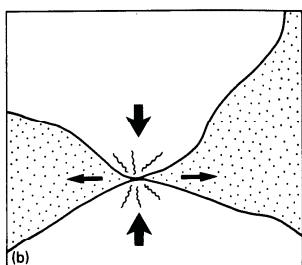
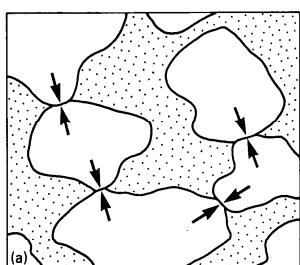


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Fig. 2.4 Visual comparators for random sections through log-normally distributed sets of spherical grains. Actual sorting in (a) is 0.35, in (b) 0.5, in (c) 1.00 and in (d) 2.00. Apparent sorting is 0.69, 0.77, 1.16 and 2.08 respectively. Note that the disparity is greater for very well sorted grains (a), than for the less well sorted (c and d). Reproduced from Harrell (1984) with permission of the Society of Economic Paleontologists and Mineralogists.

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zu 4) Grain fabric



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Fig. 5.19 Solution compaction between individual grains (porosity is stippled throughout): (a) Point grain to grain contacts (arrowed). (b) Stressed grain to grain contacts (large arrows), leading to formation of dislocations in crystal lattice and subsequent dissolution, with lateral fluid transport of solutes (small arrows). (c) Planar grain to grain contacts. (d) Interpenetrating grain to grain contacts. (e) Sutural grain to grain contacts.

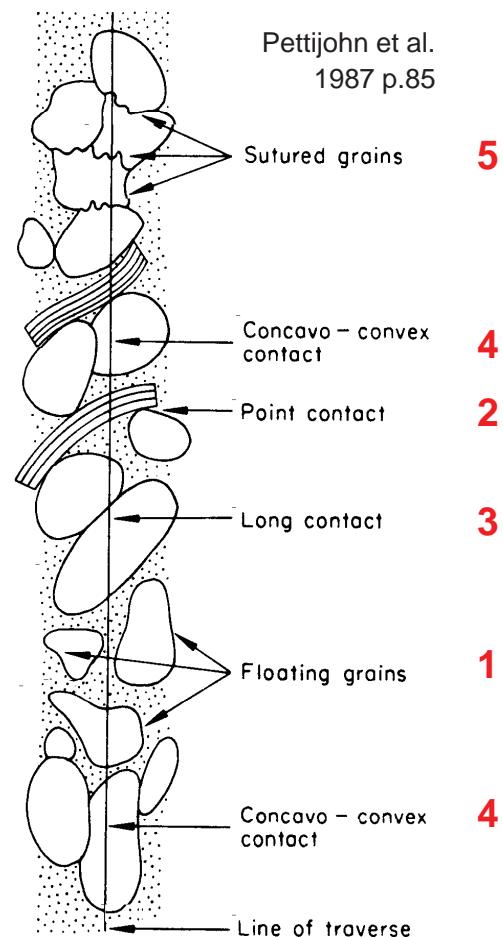
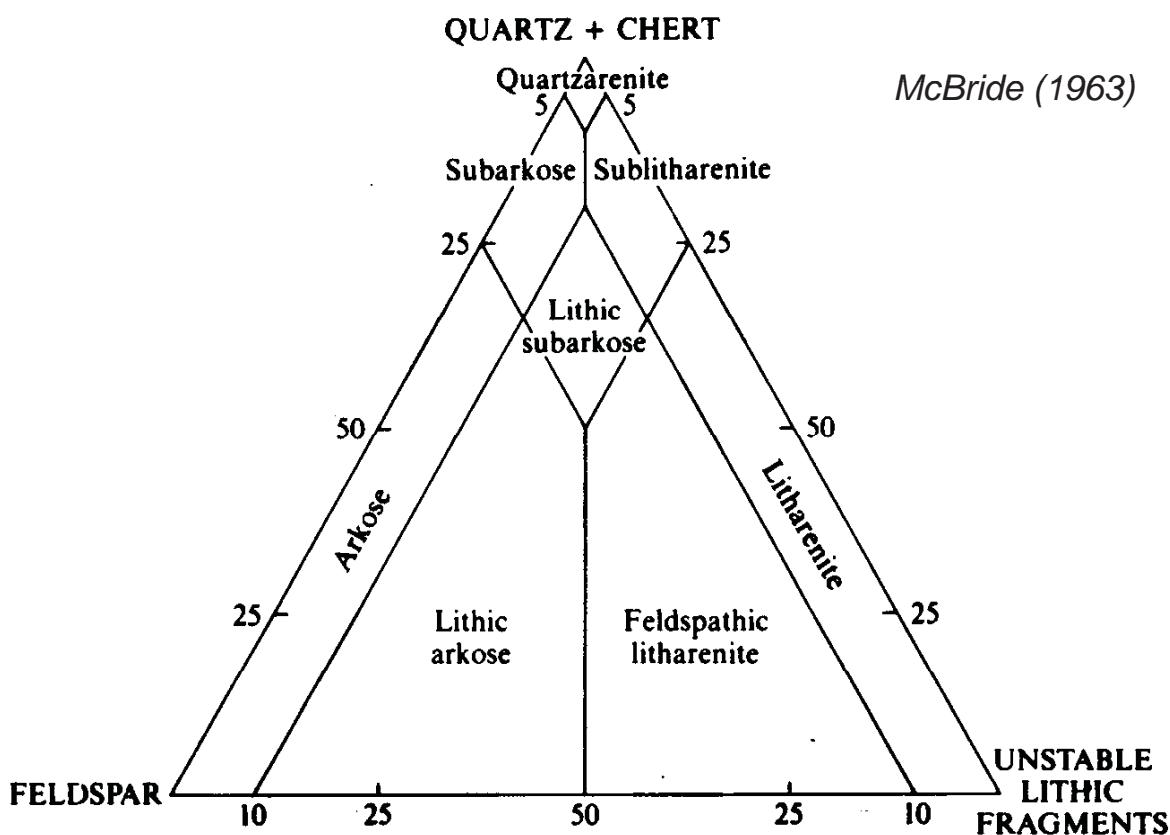


Fig. 3-11 Definition sketch of fabric terminology: quartz (white), mica (lined) and matrix (stippled).

(C) Classification (nomenclature)



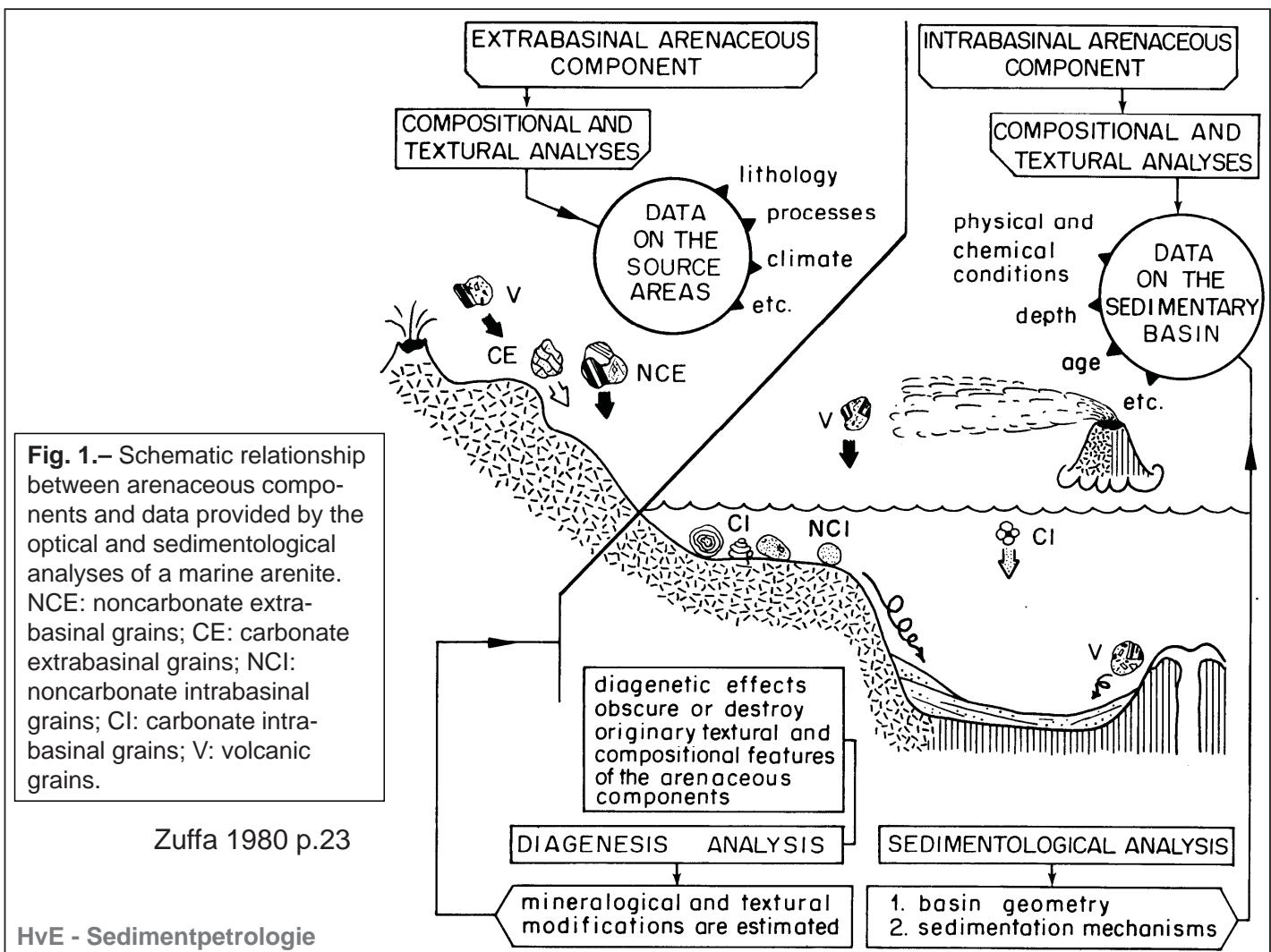
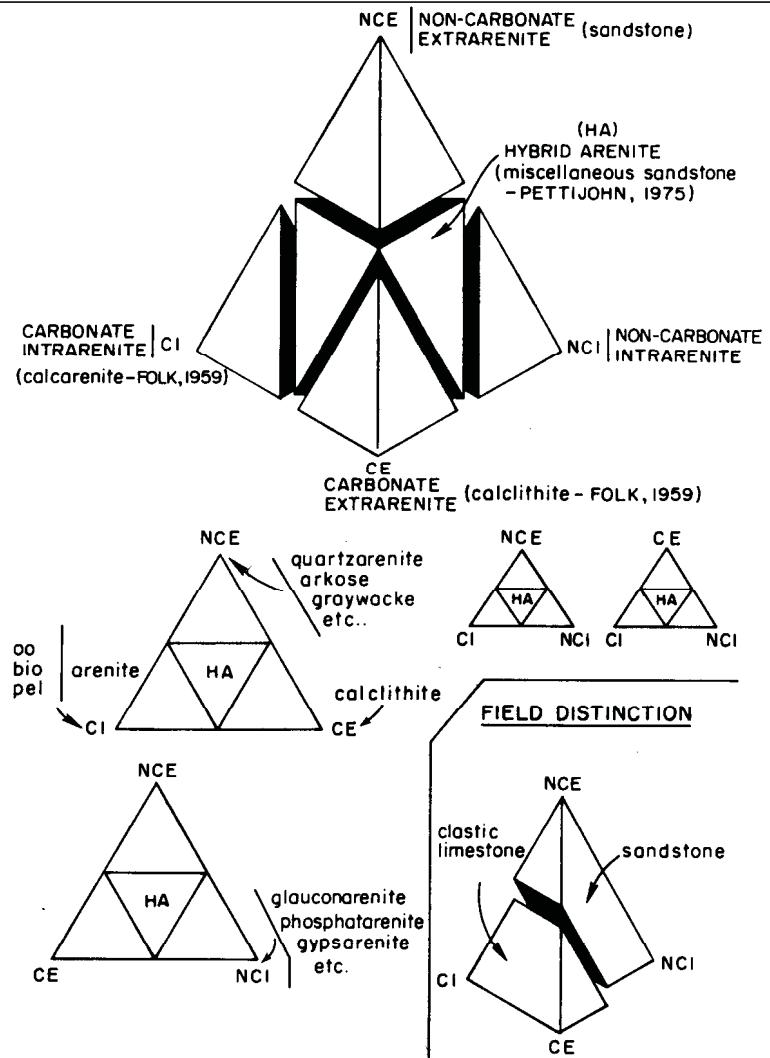
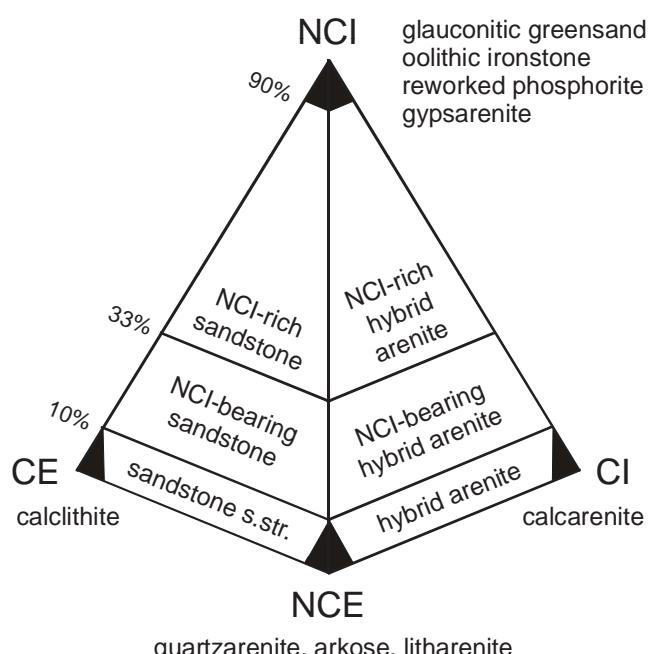


Fig. 3.– Main types of arenites as defined by optical analysis of the arenaceous modes.



First order classification

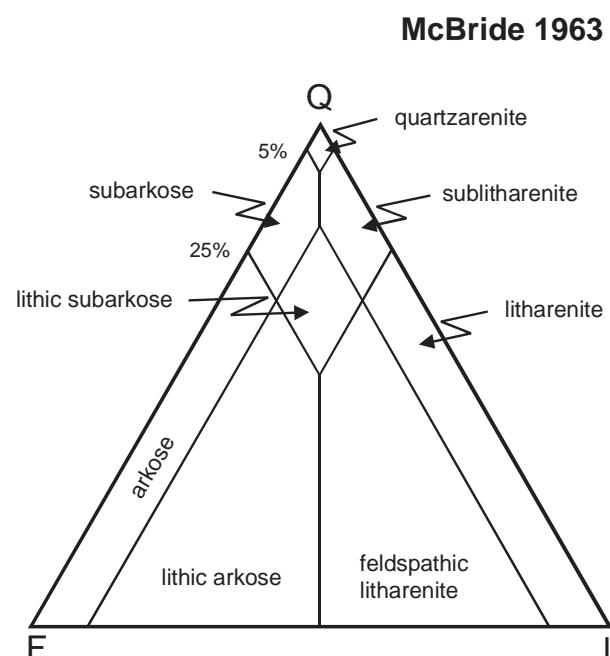


Garzanti 1991

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2nd order classification



2.

(modifiziert nach Garzanti 1991 und McBride 1963)

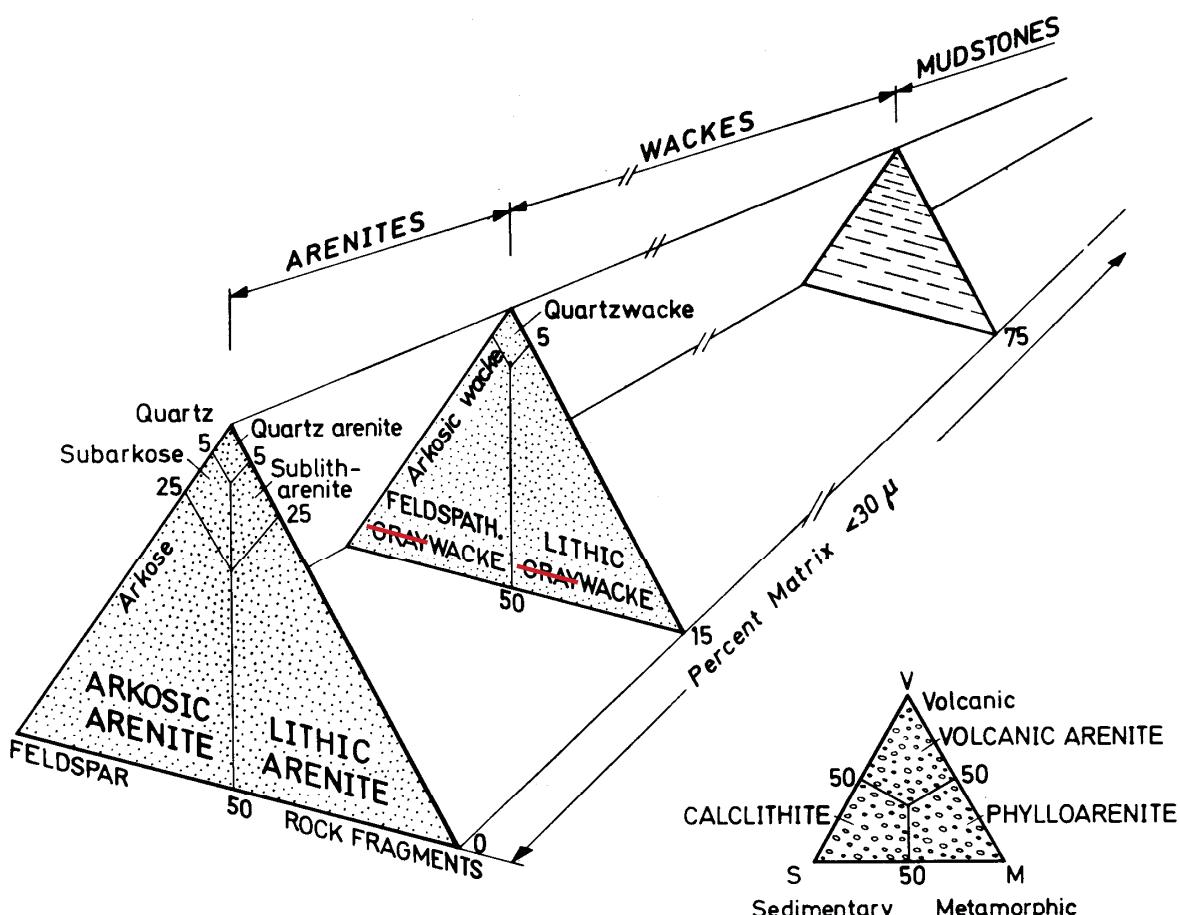
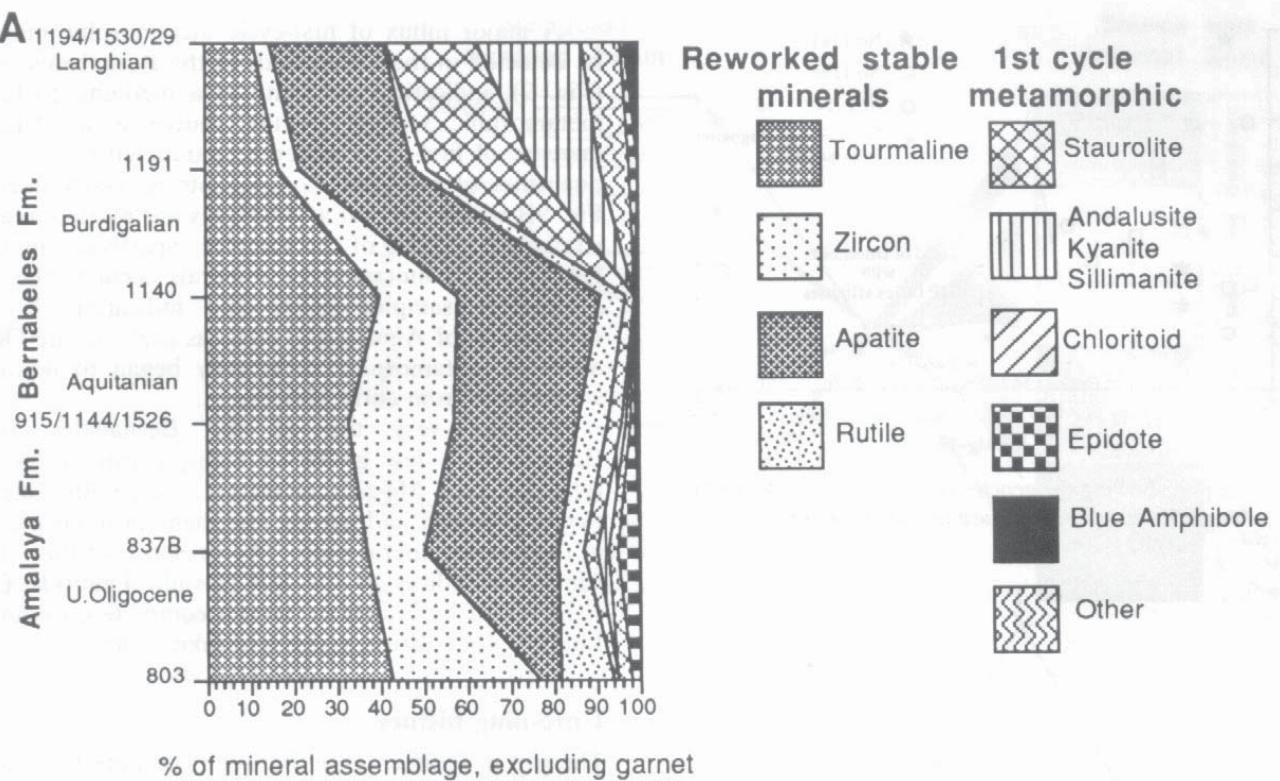


Fig. 5-1 Classification of terrigenous and sandstones (Modified from Dott. 1964. Fig. 3)

Quantification of the framework constituents (components)

Why?



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Quantification of the framework constituents (components)

percentage composition of the sediment components

→ modal composition

1) quantitative: point-counting techniques,
special oculars (grid)

2) semi quantitative: estimation techniques,
frequency classes

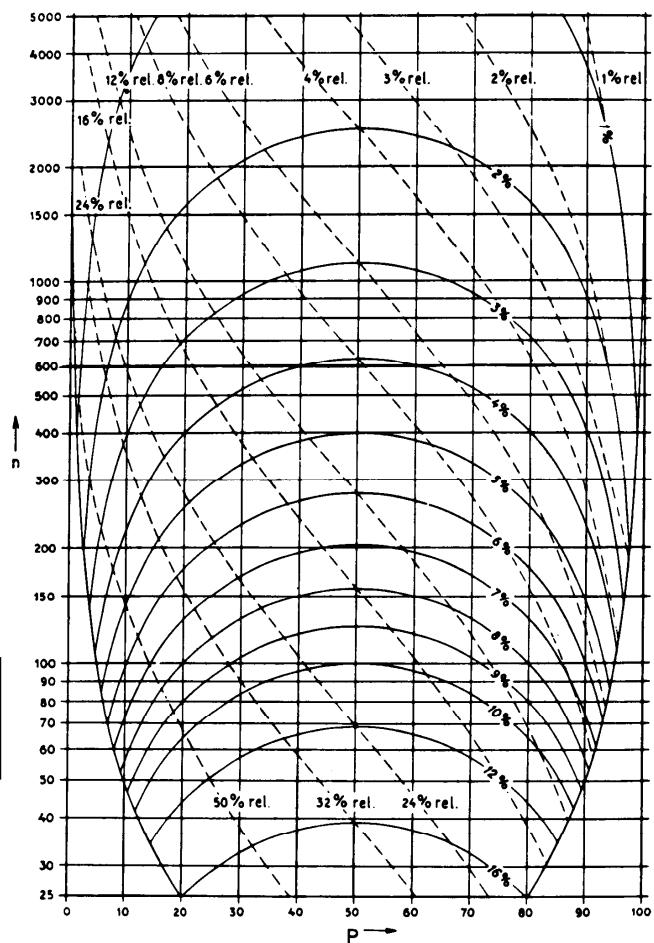


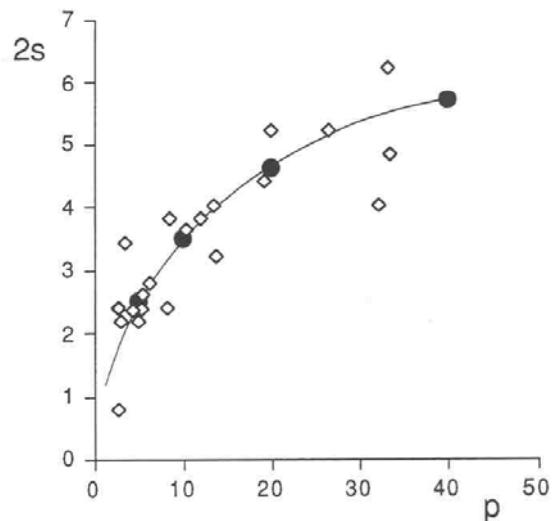
Abb. 24. Schätzung der statistischen Wahrscheinlichkeit von Zählungen nach dem Point-Counter-Verfahren (nach Plaas u. Tobi, 1965). Es bedeuten: n , Gesamtzahl der Treffer; P , Prozentsatz, mit welchem ein Element (z.B. Ooid) im Schliff auftritt. Die Wahrscheinlichkeit kann durch die Standardabweichung angegeben und damit der tatsächliche Gehalt des Elements (p) in Vol.% geschätzt werden. Durchgezogene Linie, absoluter Fehler; strichlierte Linie, relativer Fehler

aus: Flügel 1978 S.153 (Mikrofazielle Untersuchungsmethoden von Kalken; engl. Version available, 1982)

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Tab. 3.1: Absoluter Fehler in % in Abhängigkeit von der Anzahl der ausgezählten Körner n und der Häufigkeit eines Korntyps p. Berechnet nach $s = \sqrt{[p(100-p)/n]}$ (VAN DER PLAS & TOBI 1965). Der angegebene Fehler beträgt 2s (95%ige Wahrscheinlichkeit).

n p	100	200	300	600
5%	4.4	3.1	2.5	1.8
10%	6.0	4.2	3.5	2.5
20%	8.0	5.7	4.6	3.3
40%	9.8	6.9	5.7	4.0



Tab. 3.2: Mittelwert m und mittlerer Fehler 2s (in Klammern, Standardabweichung einer Stichprobe, 95%ige Wahrscheinlichkeit) der häufigsten Korntypen von drei Sandsteinproben (n=5). Die Standardabweichung wurde berechnet nach $s = \sqrt{[\sum(x-m)^2/(n-1)]}$ (GRÄNICKER 1994: S.3-10).

Probe	Q _m	Q _p	Q _c	L _m	C _m	C _s	D
H 1021-5	19.2 (4.4)	13.2 (3.9)	5.5 (2.5)	13.8 (3.2)	9.9 (3.7)	20.1 (5.2)	6.2 (2.8)
EY 4-3	5.1 (2.1)	3.6 (3.4)	5.2 (2.4)	4.3 (2.5)	33.2 (6.1)	32.2 (4.0)	8.6 (3.9)
EY 9-31	2.8 (2.5)	2.9 (2.2)	2.7 (0.9)	8.2 (2.4)	33.6 (4.7)	26.4 (5.2)	12.1 (3.8)

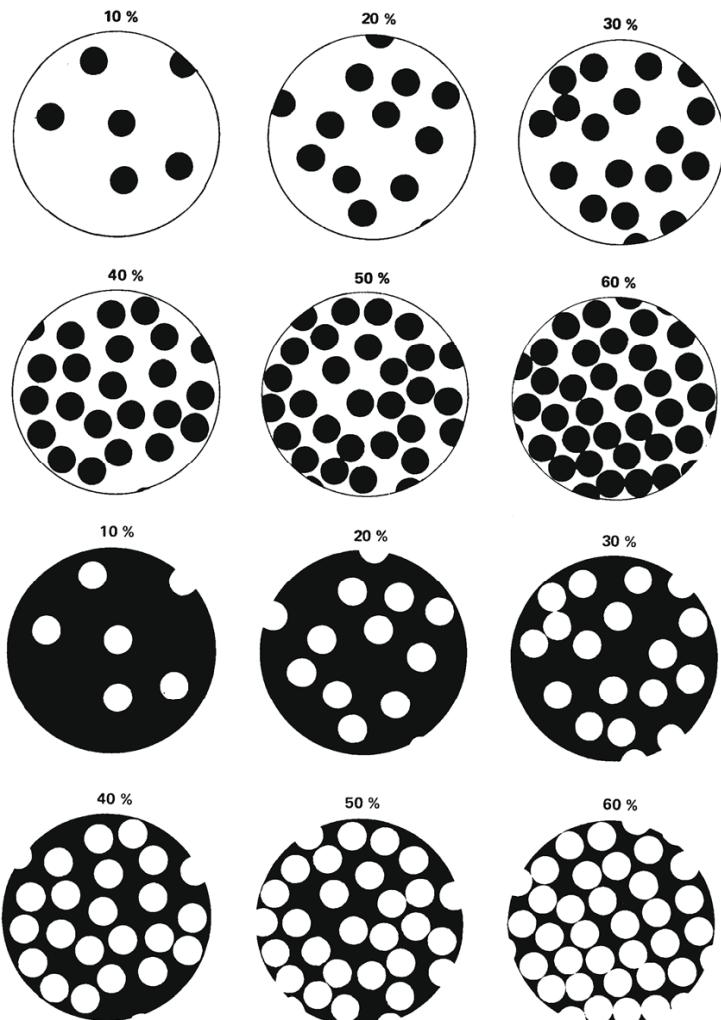
Abb. 3.3:
Verhältnis der Standardabweichung (2s) zur Häufigkeit eines Korntyps in % (p). Kurve und schwarze Kreissignaturen zeigen die theoretischen Werte aus Tab. 3.1 für n = 300. Vierecke zeigen die ermittelten Standardabweichungen aus Tab. 3.2.

von Eynatten 1996 S.28f.

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Sketches that help to estimate the frequency of individual grain types in sedimentary rocks.

→ you will find different types of such sketches in Flügel (1978, Mikrofazielle Untersuchungsmethoden von Kalken) or its English translation from 1982



Flügel 1978 S.158

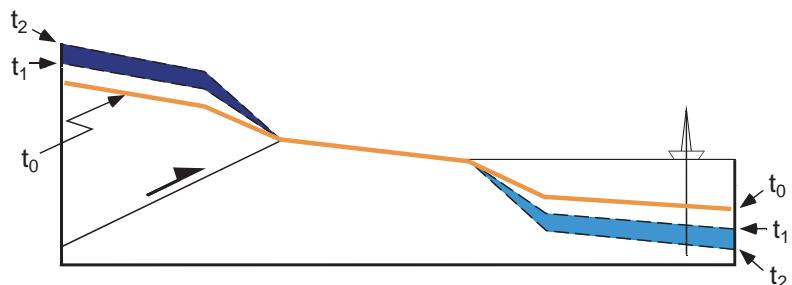
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(D) Provenance-analysis

(syn.:
Liefergebietanalyse
engl.: provenance analysis)

→ Latein: „provenire“

Provenance Analysis - Approach



source → sediment

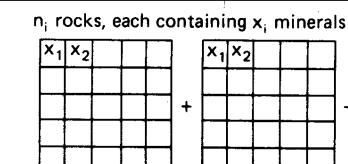
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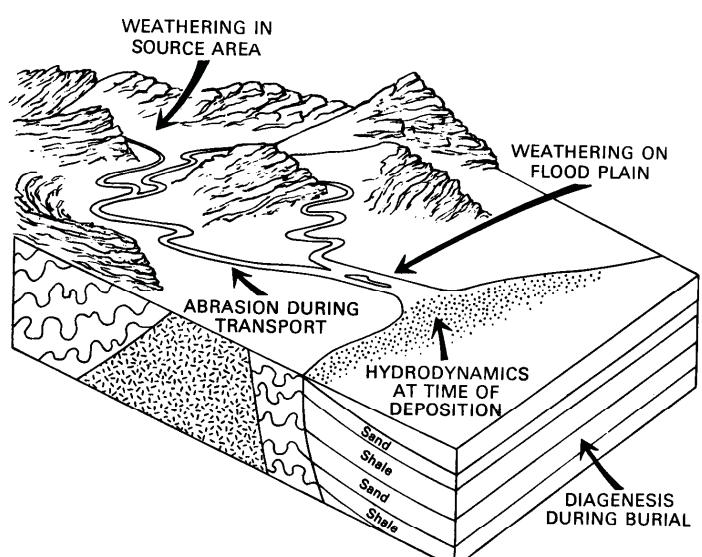
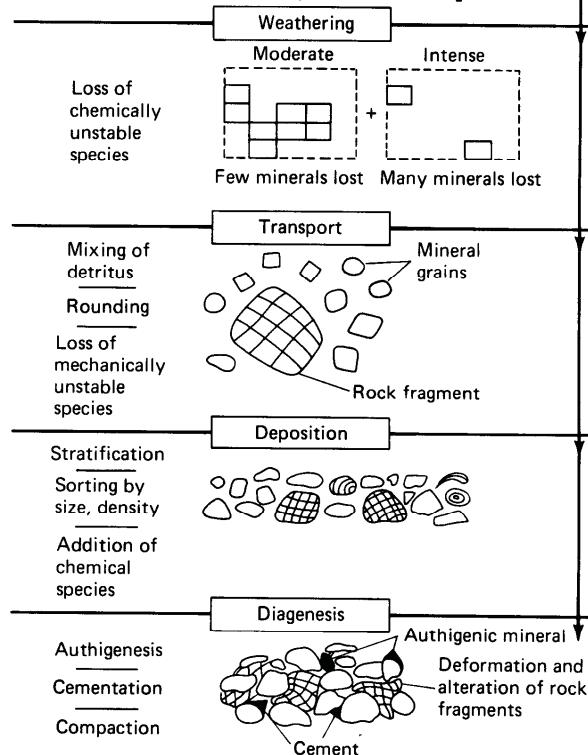
provenance model

sediment petrology
- composition
- varietal studies
chronostratigraphy
sediment dispersal

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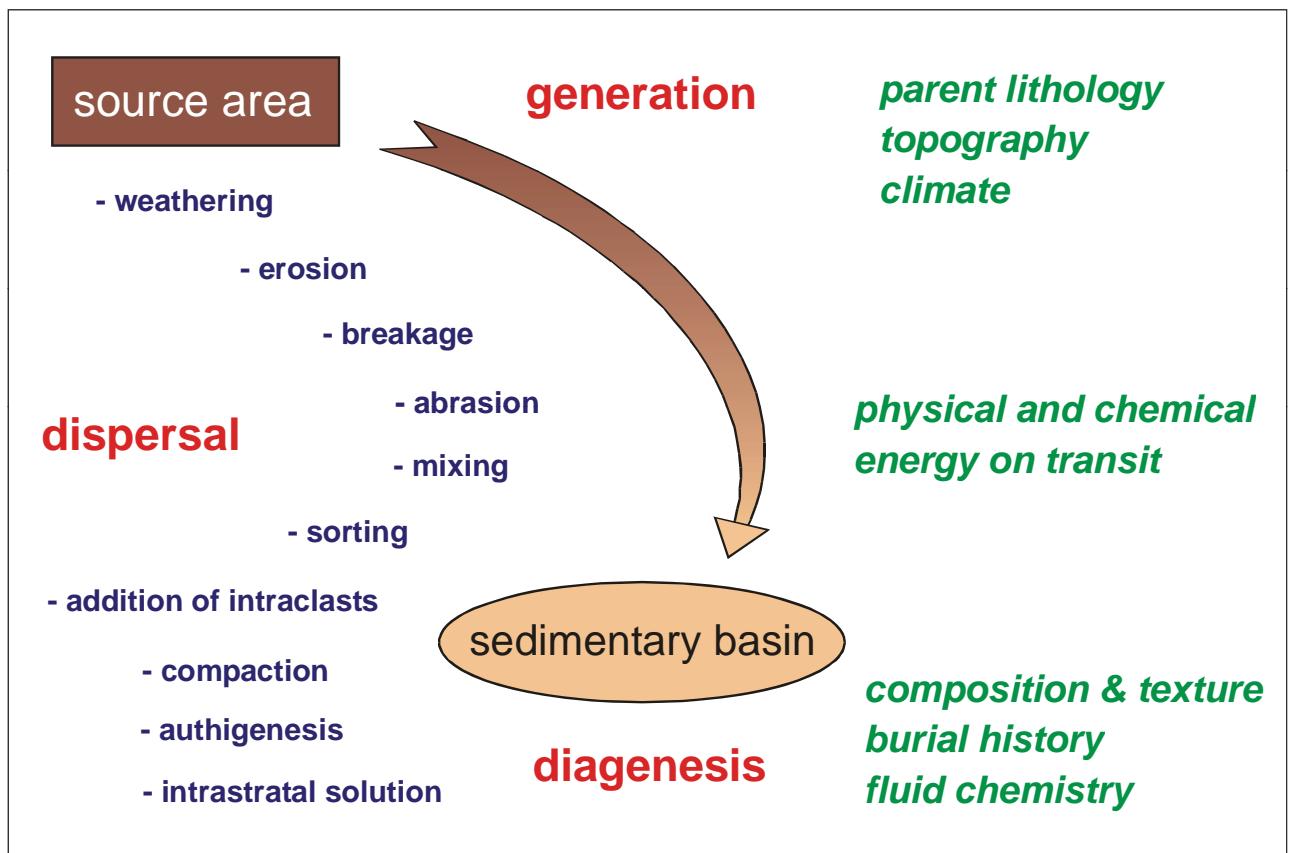
processes, that modify the potential (or initial; i.e. the composition as defined by the source rocks) composition of the sediment



Morton & Hallsworth 1994
S.242

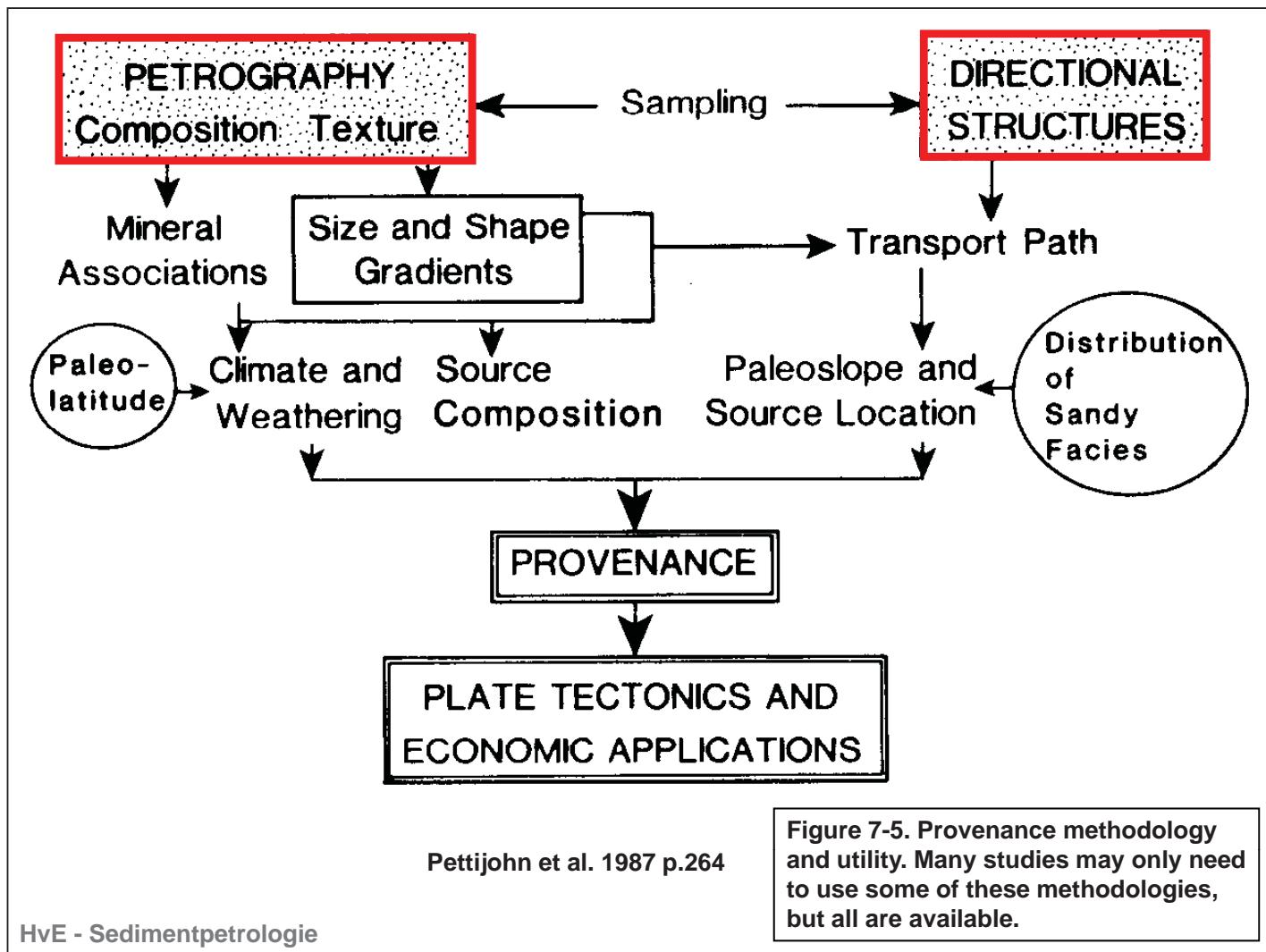
Figure 2-1. The sedimentary cycle of a sandstone. Though processes such as weathering and transport are shown as distinct, they overlap in nature.

Pettijohn et al. 1987

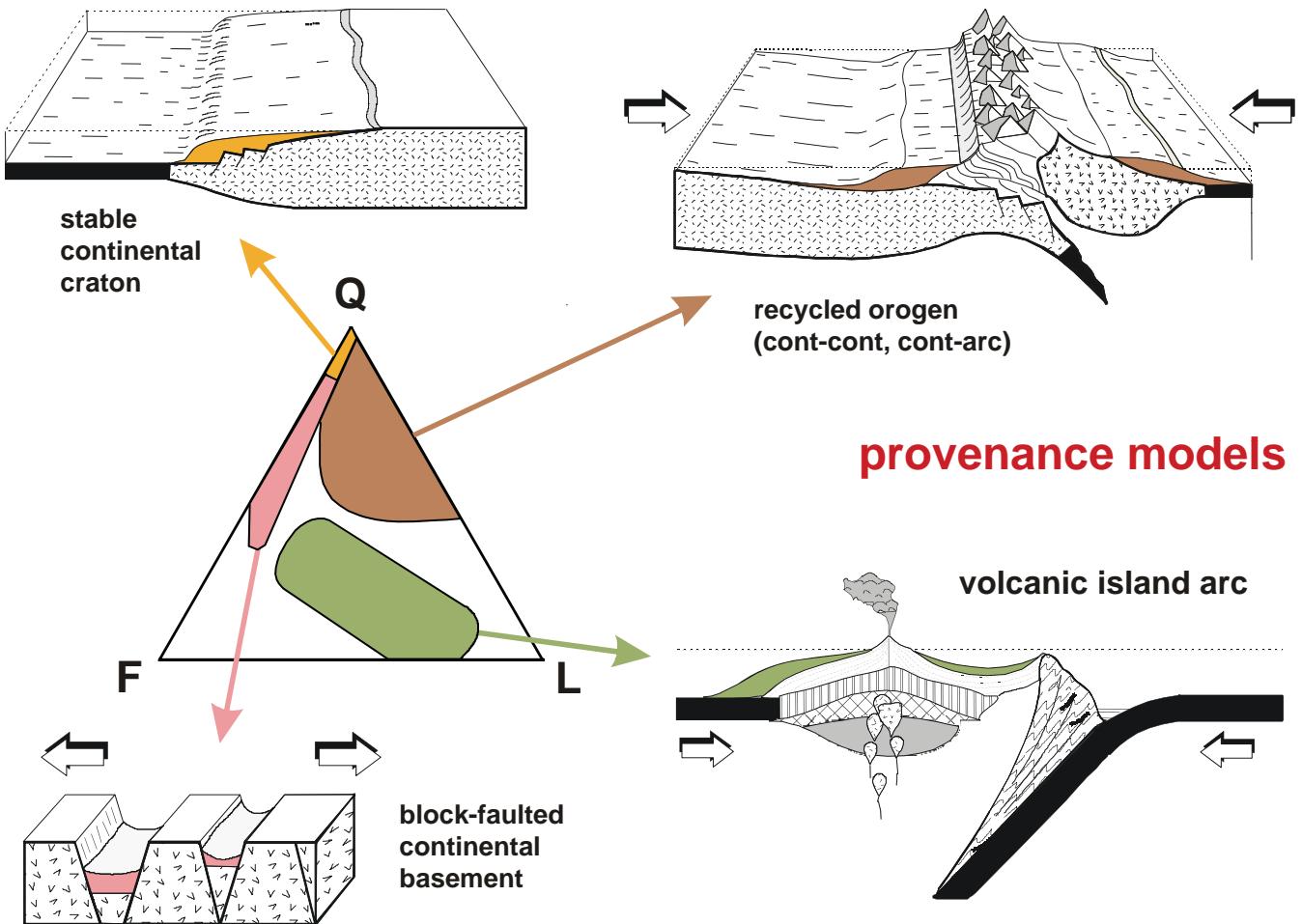


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based on Dickinson 1985, modified from Fichter 2000 (<http://csmres.jmu.edu/geollab/Fichter/S>)

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„Dickinson“ model

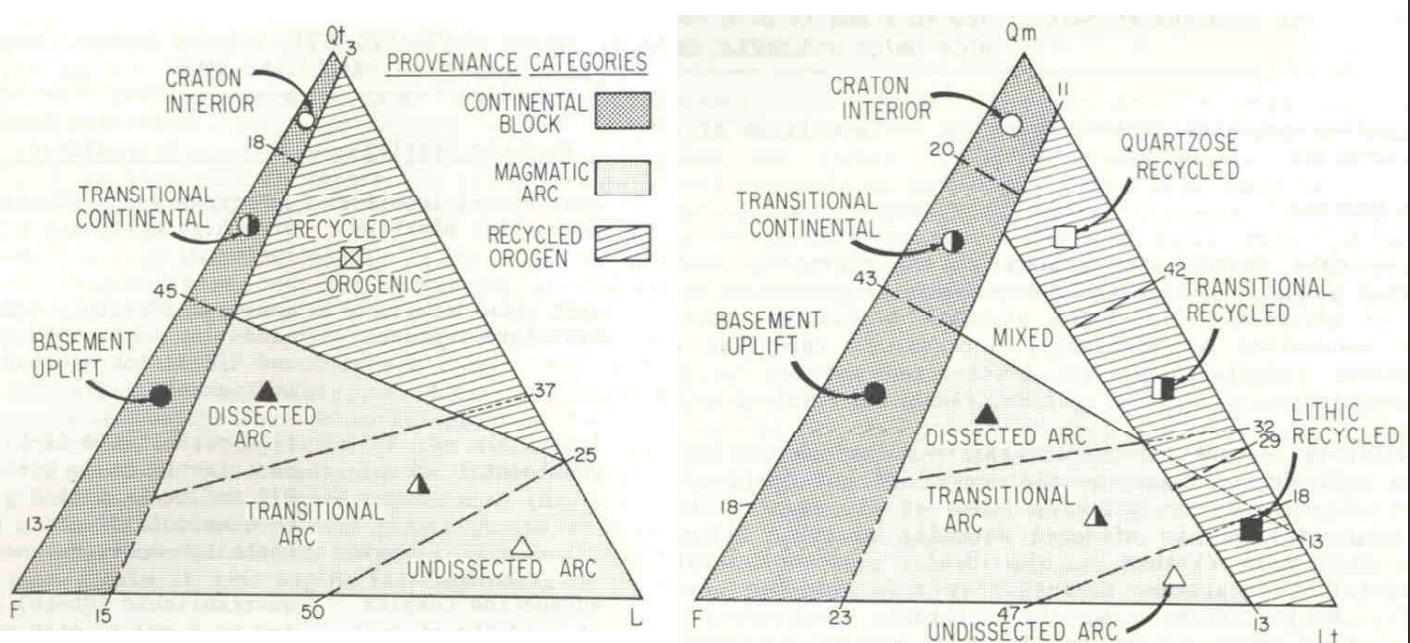
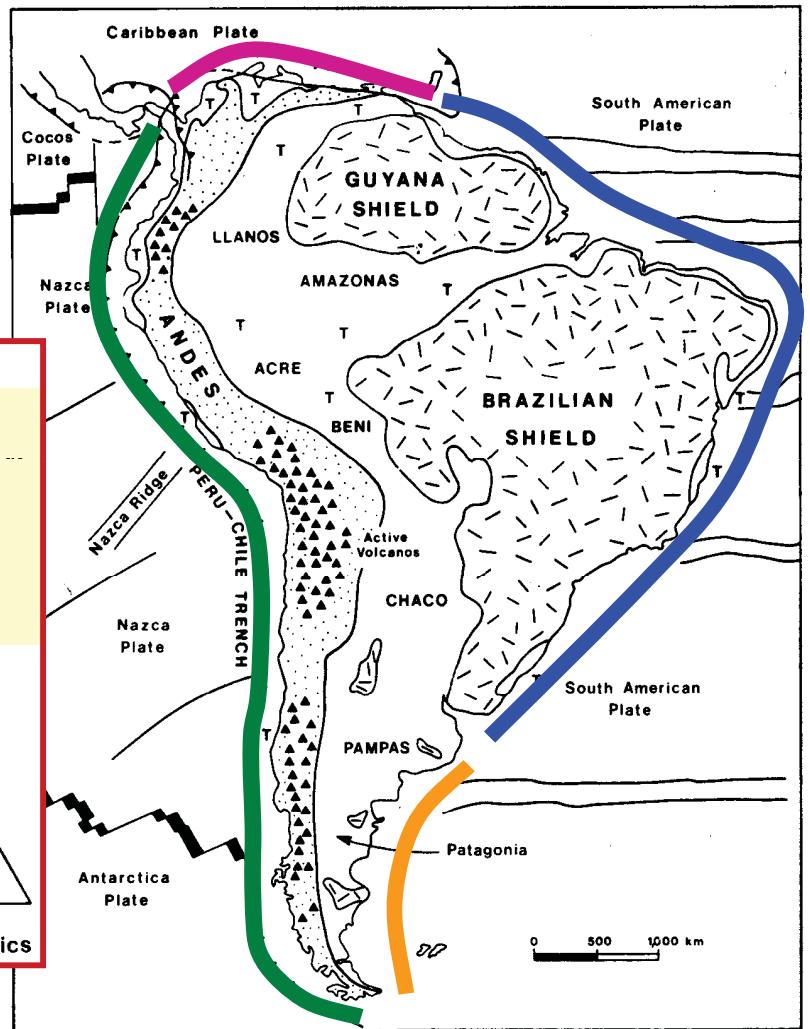
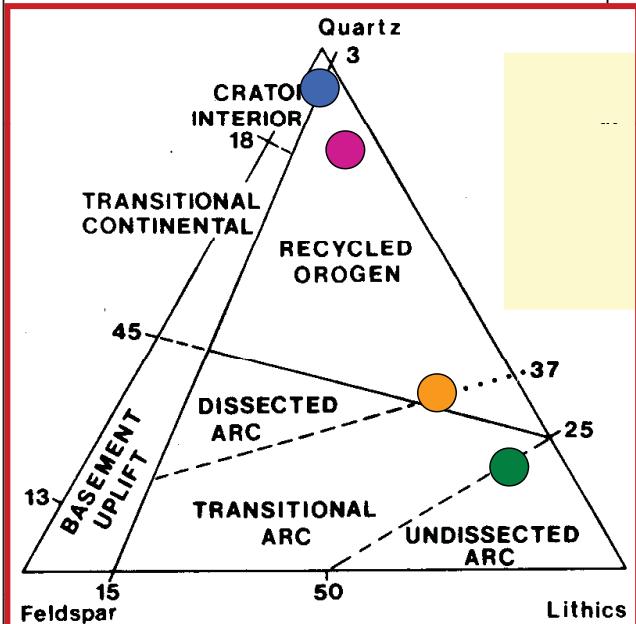


Figure 1. Provisional compositional fields indicative of sand derivation from different types of provenances (from Dickinson et al., 1983a).



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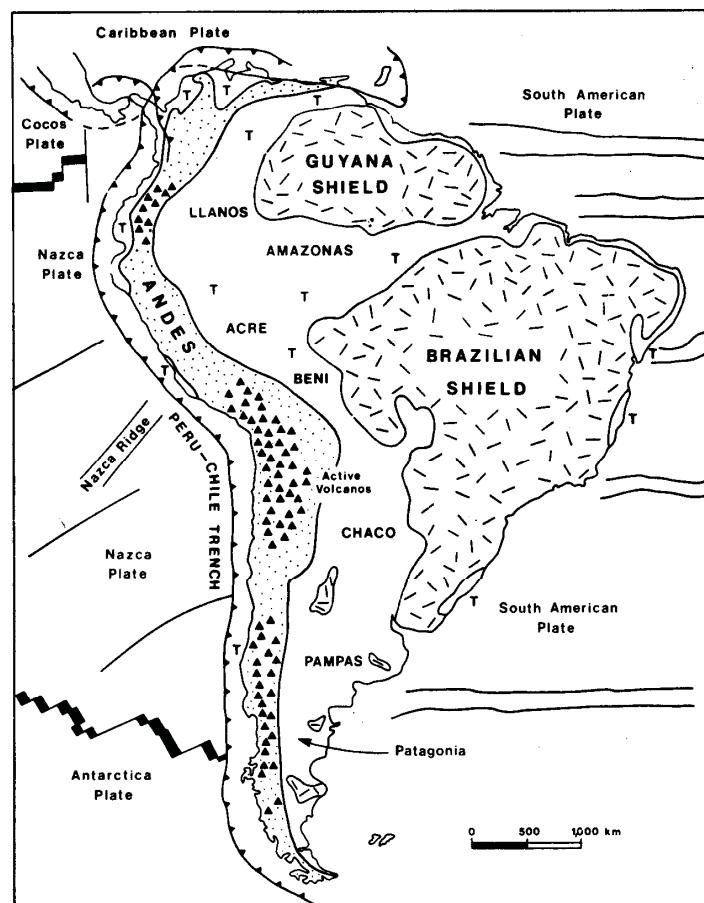


Fig. 1 Major tectonic elements of South America and adjacent ocean basins.

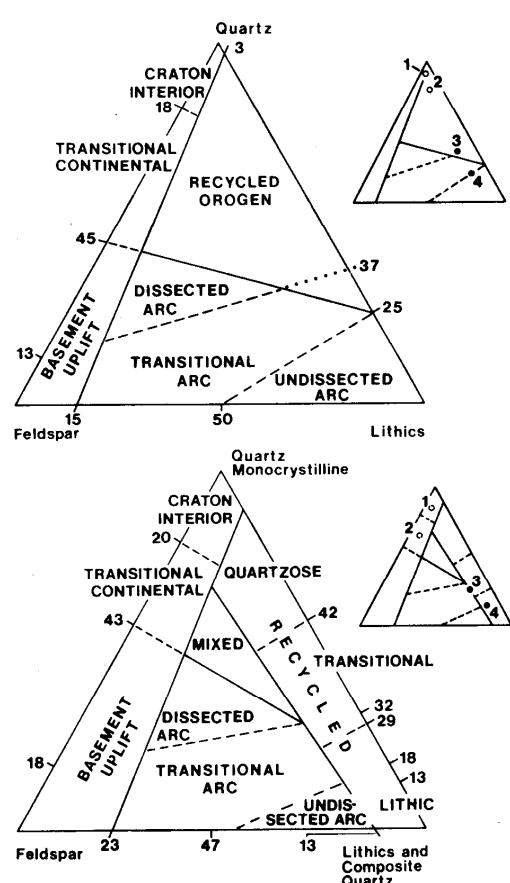
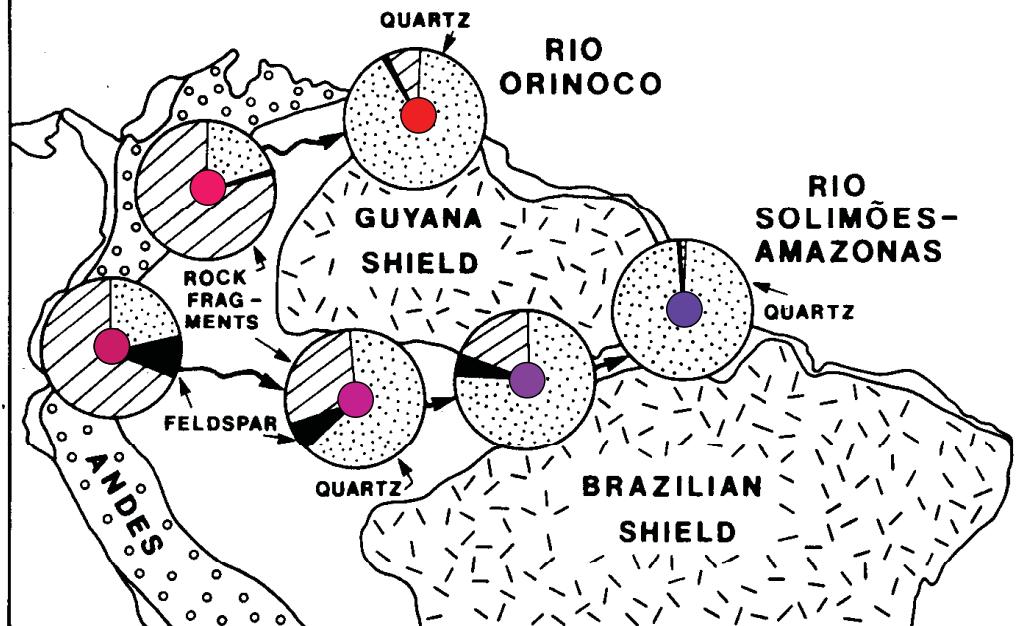
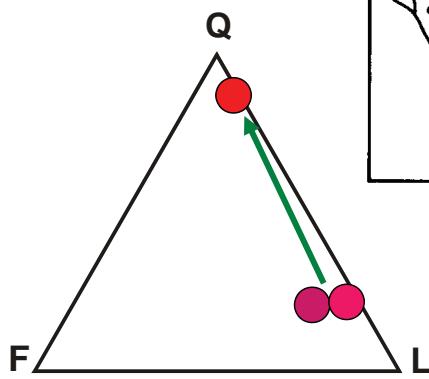


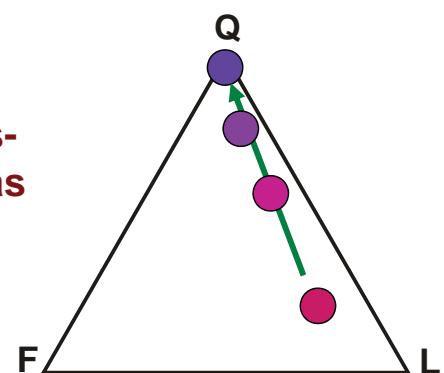
Fig. 2 Plate tectonic classification of sandstone mineralogy (after ref. 6, Fig. 1). Numbers in the small triangles indicate: 1, average composition of passive margin sands from the Rio de Plata to Trinidad; 2, beach sands from Trinidad westward along the Caribbean coast; 3, Argentine beach sands; and 4, the sands of South America's Pacific coast (see Fig. 3).

modified after
Potter 1984

Orinoco

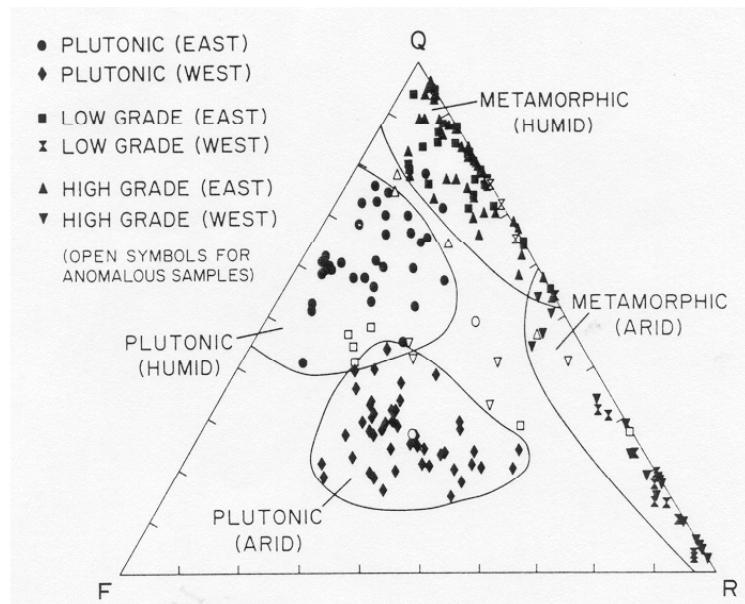


Solimões- Amazonas



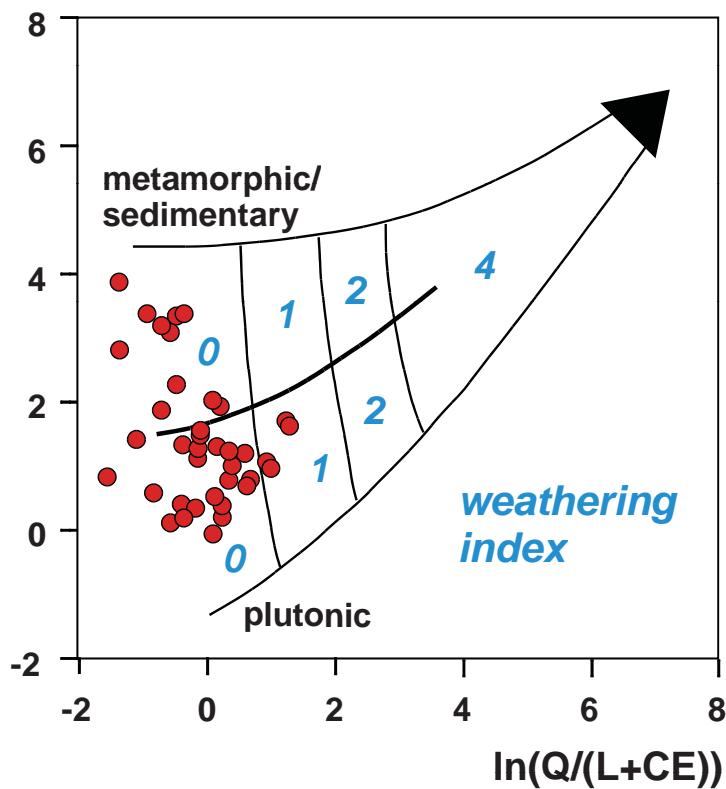
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climate effect on sandstone composition



7-4. QFR ternary plot of the composition of dium-size fraction of Holocene fluvial sand-cycle parentage (from Suttner *et al.*, 1981, by permission of the Society of Economic Geologists and Mineralogists).

$\ln(Q/F)$



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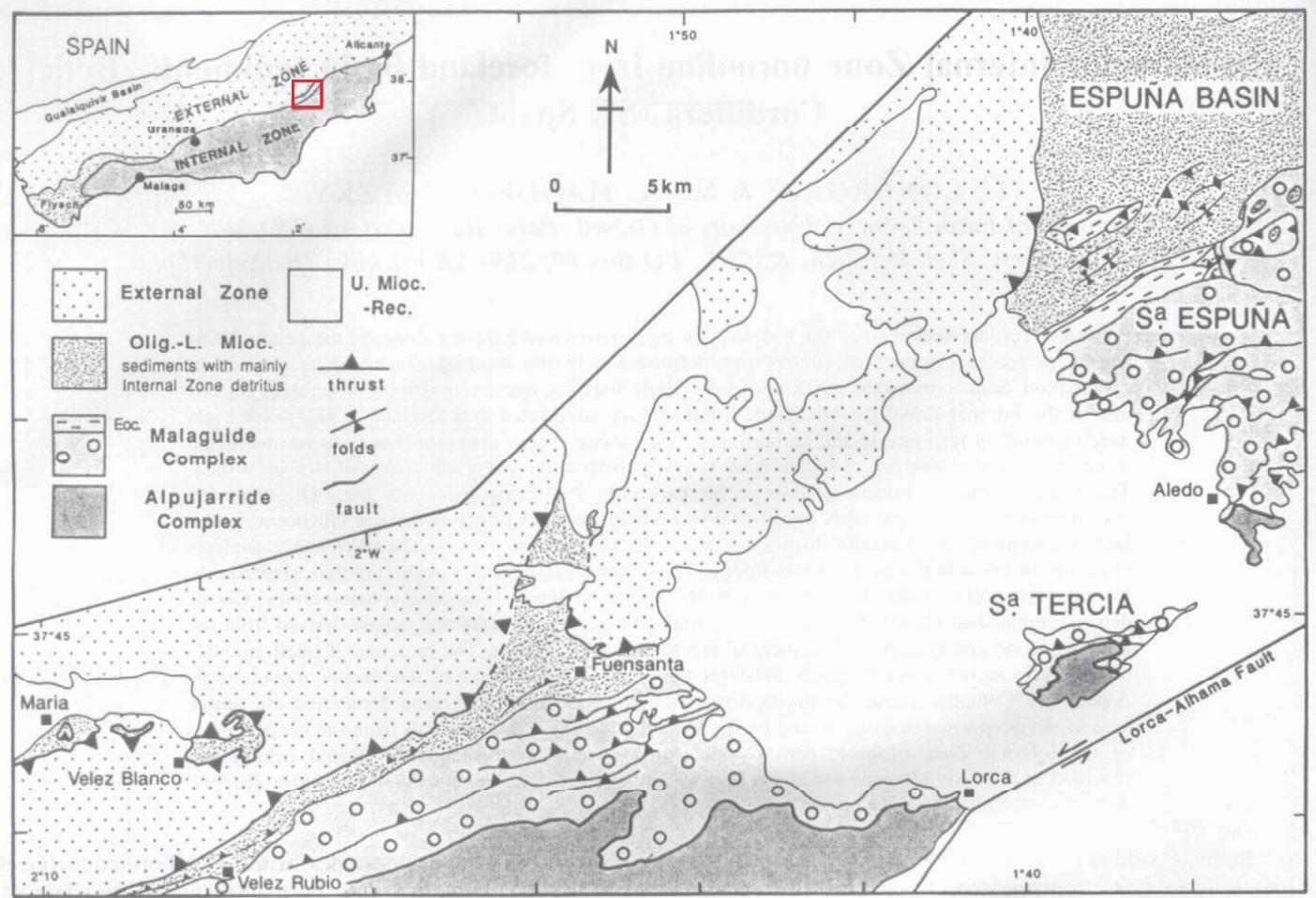
Weltje et al. 1998,
Basin Research 10

data:

sandstones from Swiss
Molasse basin,
von Eynatten 2003,
Sedimentology 50

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Case Study 1: Oligo-/Miocene foreland basin, Betic Cordillera (Lonergan & Mange)



U. Triassic		pale grey dolomite
M. Triassic		yellowish Ist.
Permo-Triassic?		quartzite with crossbedding blue phyllites variegated quartzite
Palaeozoic?		dark coloured quartzites, phyllites, graphite schists

METAMORPHIC MINERALS:

chlorite, biotite, epidote, clinozoisite, chloritoid, cordierite, andalusite, kyanite, staurolite, bl/gr amphibole, garnet, rare sillimanite (only in S. Almenara & S. Cabrera), carpholite

M.-U. Triassic		marbles Mesozoic mafic intrusions
		metaclastics
		marbles & calc-silicic graphitic schists
		amphibolites & gneisses
		local gypsum
Triassic?		quartzite, micaschists
		dark garnet, graphitic schists
Palaeozoic		Permian granite

METAMORPHIC MINERALS:

omphacite, glaucophane, chlorite, biotite, epidote, clinozoisite, chloritoid, kyanite, staurolite, bl/gr amphibole, garnet, actinolite

Sierra Espuña Malaguide Complex

AGE	LITHOLOGY	Thickness
Langhian	grey/green pelagic marl & sst., cong.	
Aquitianian		
U.Oligocene	red pelagic marl, sandstone, conglomerate	? >500m
Oligocene	conglomerate, marl, bioclastic limestone	400-1000m
Eocene	Nummulitic limestone marl	700-900m
Cretaceous	limest., greensand	100m max.(P)
M.-U. Jurassic	oolitic limestone	400m
Lias	dolomite	100m
Triassic	gypsum & marl	200m?? (M)
Permo-Triassic	grey/black dolomite	150-200m (M) 100m (P)
Palaeozoic	red beds	c.250m (M)
	greywackes shale	
	Base not seen	

Alpujarride Complex

Nevado-Filabride Complex (central Betic Cordillera)

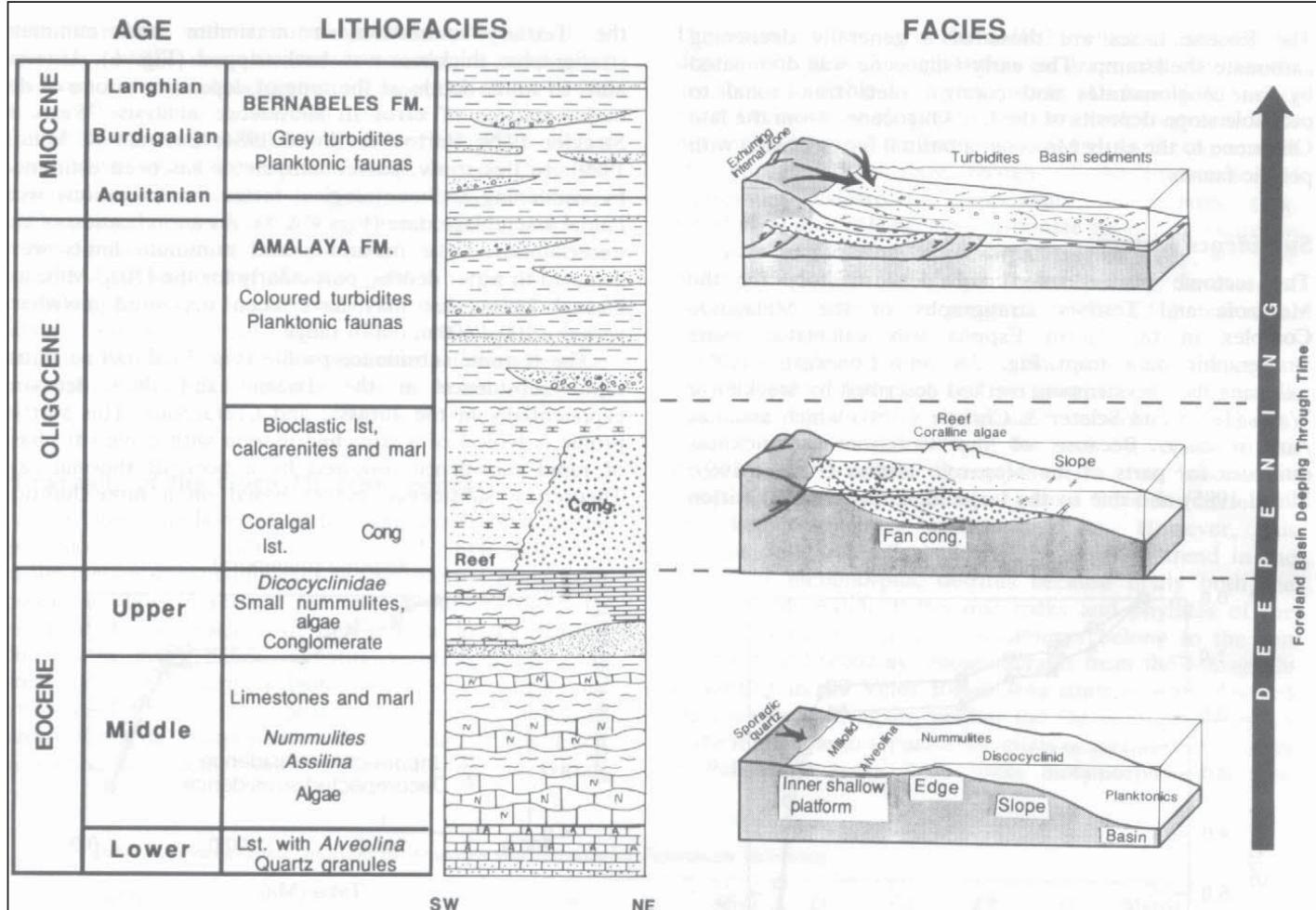


Fig. 4. Facies summary of the Espuña foreland basin, illustrating a generally deepening sequence through time.

Subsidence Analysis

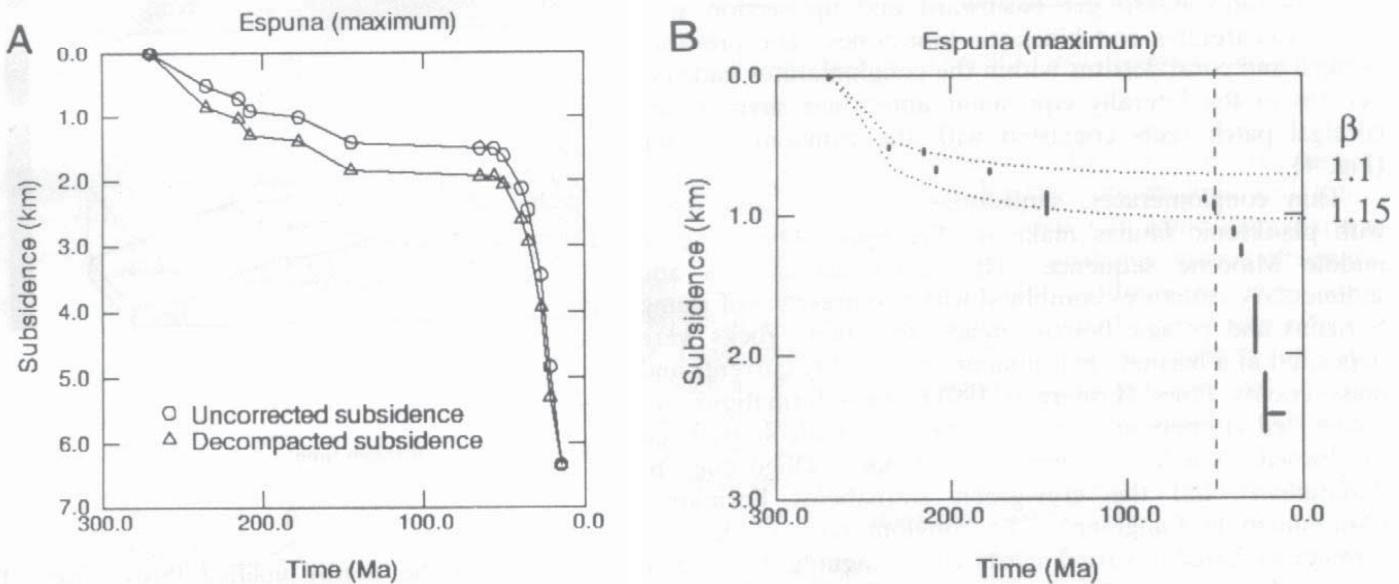


Fig. 6. Subsidence analysis for a maximum and minimum thickness of the Espuña Malaguide section: **(A)** Circles, uncorrected subsidence; triangles, decompactified subsidence. **(B)** Vertical bars, water-loaded or tectonic subsidence including uncertainty in palaeowater depth. The effect of sediment loading has been removed by replacing the sediment with water and assuming Airy isostasy. Dotted lines are best-fitting maximum and minimum theoretical subsidence curves for a rift basin with finite duration stretching with uniform strain rates, and an initial crustal thickness of 30 km. Vertical dashed line indicates significant departure of observed subsidence from the theoretical rift model. At the start of the Tertiary (65–50 Ma) there is a rapid increase in subsidence due to the onset of foreland basin development.

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Petrographic composition

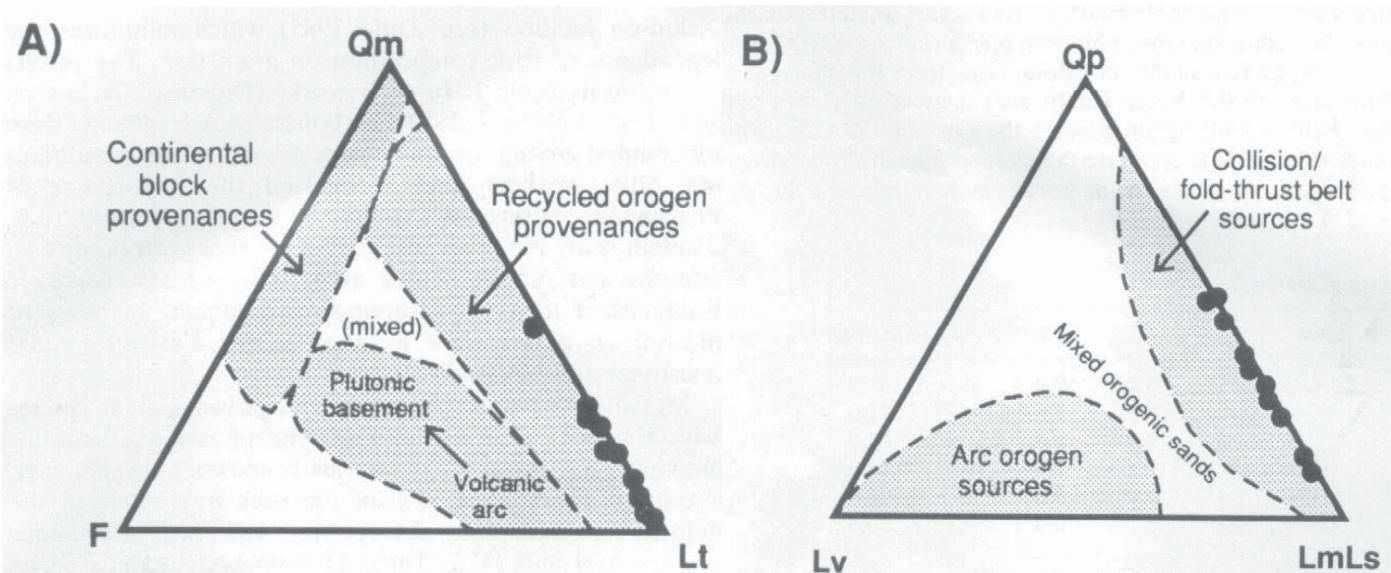


Fig. 7. Sandstones from the Amalaya and Bernabeles Formations plotted on Q_m , F , L_t (**A**) and Q_p , L_v , L_m , L_s (**B**) triangular diagrams, using framework petrology data from Table 1. The sandstones fall within the recycled orogen and collisional fold and thrust belt fields when compared with the actual distribution of mean detrital modes of recent sandstone suites (shaded fields on the triangle plots, from Dickinson 1985).

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Heavy Minerals

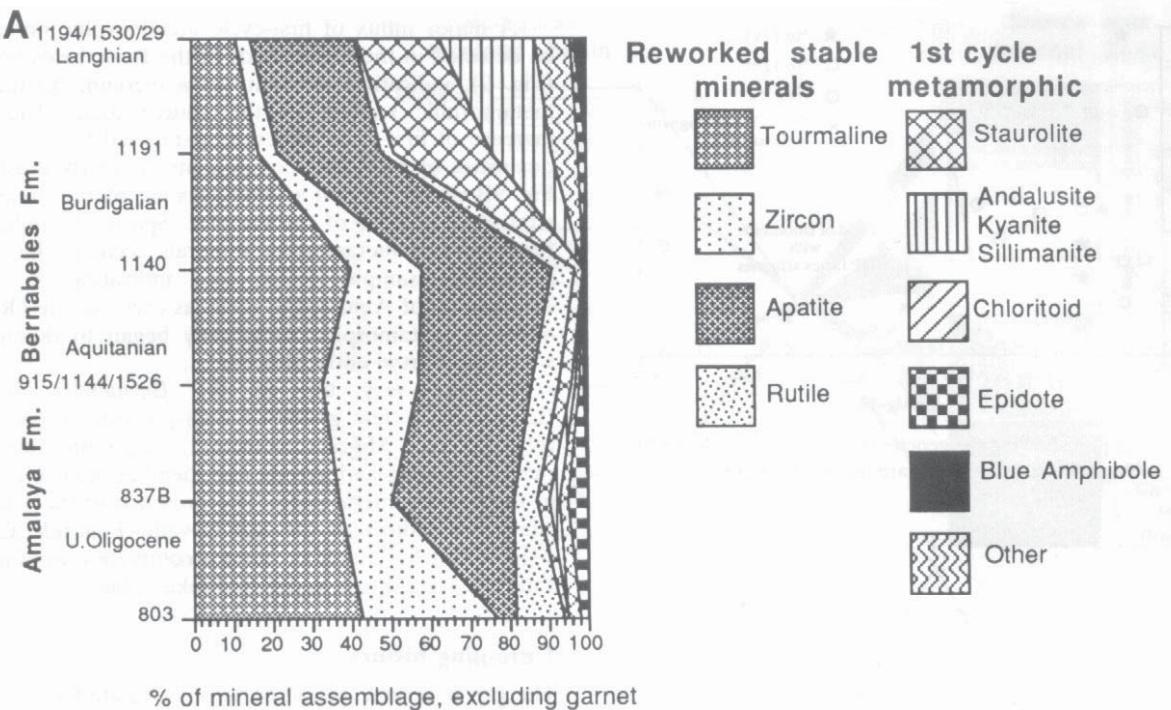


Fig. 9. (A) Results of heavy mineral analyses arranged in ascending stratigraphic order. Reworked stable minerals were derived from the Malaguide Complex, whereas first-cycle metamorphic minerals were derived from the Alpujarride and Nevado-Filabride Complexes. (B) Summary plots illustrating the main trends of heavy mineral composition in the upper Oligocene and Miocene stratigraphic section. Plot (a) illustrates the Internal Zone unroofing history with reworked stable minerals eroded from the highest sedimentary rocks dominating the lowest part of the section. A major influx of metamorphic minerals occurs in the Burdigalian, and high-pressure (HP) index minerals from the structurally lowest Nevado-Filabride Complex appear at the top of the section in the Langhian. Plot (b) illustrates the accompanying increase of garnets. Ratios of stable reworked (tourmaline, zircon, rutile and apatite) to metamorphic minerals are presented in plot (c).

Heavy Minerals

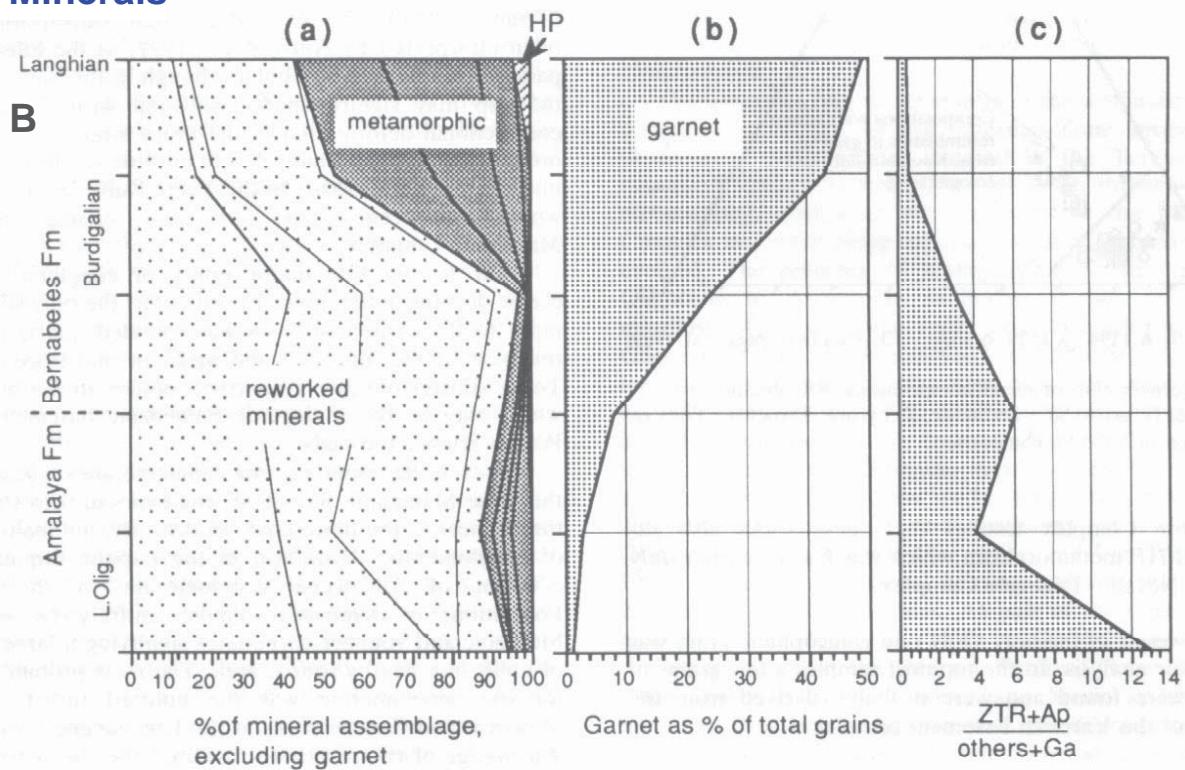


Fig. 9. (A) Results of heavy mineral analyses arranged in ascending stratigraphic order. Reworked stable minerals were derived from the Malaguide Complex, whereas first-cycle metamorphic minerals were derived from the Alpujarride and Nevado-Filabride Complexes. (B) Summary plots illustrating the main trends of heavy mineral composition in the upper Oligocene and Miocene stratigraphic section. Plot (a) illustrates the Internal Zone unroofing history with reworked stable minerals eroded from the highest sedimentary rocks dominating the lowest part of the section. A major influx of metamorphic minerals occurs in the Burdigalian, and high-pressure (HP) index minerals from the structurally lowest Nevado-Filabride Complex appear at the top of the section in the Langhian. Plot (b) illustrates the accompanying increase of garnets. Ratios of stable reworked (tourmaline, zircon, rutile and apatite) to metamorphic minerals are presented in plot (c).

Chloritoid chemistry

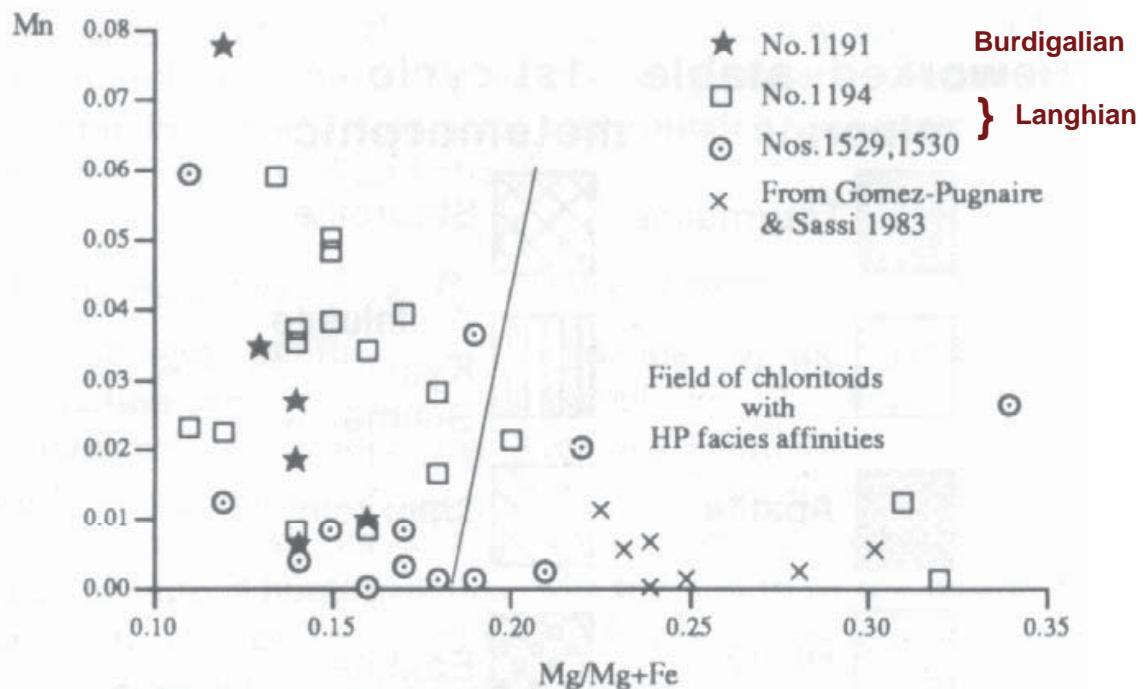


Fig. 10. Scatter plot showing the geochemistry of chloritoids. Data from Gomez-Pugnaire & Sassi (1983) are included for comparison.

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Summary Oligocene/Miocene Betic Cordillera

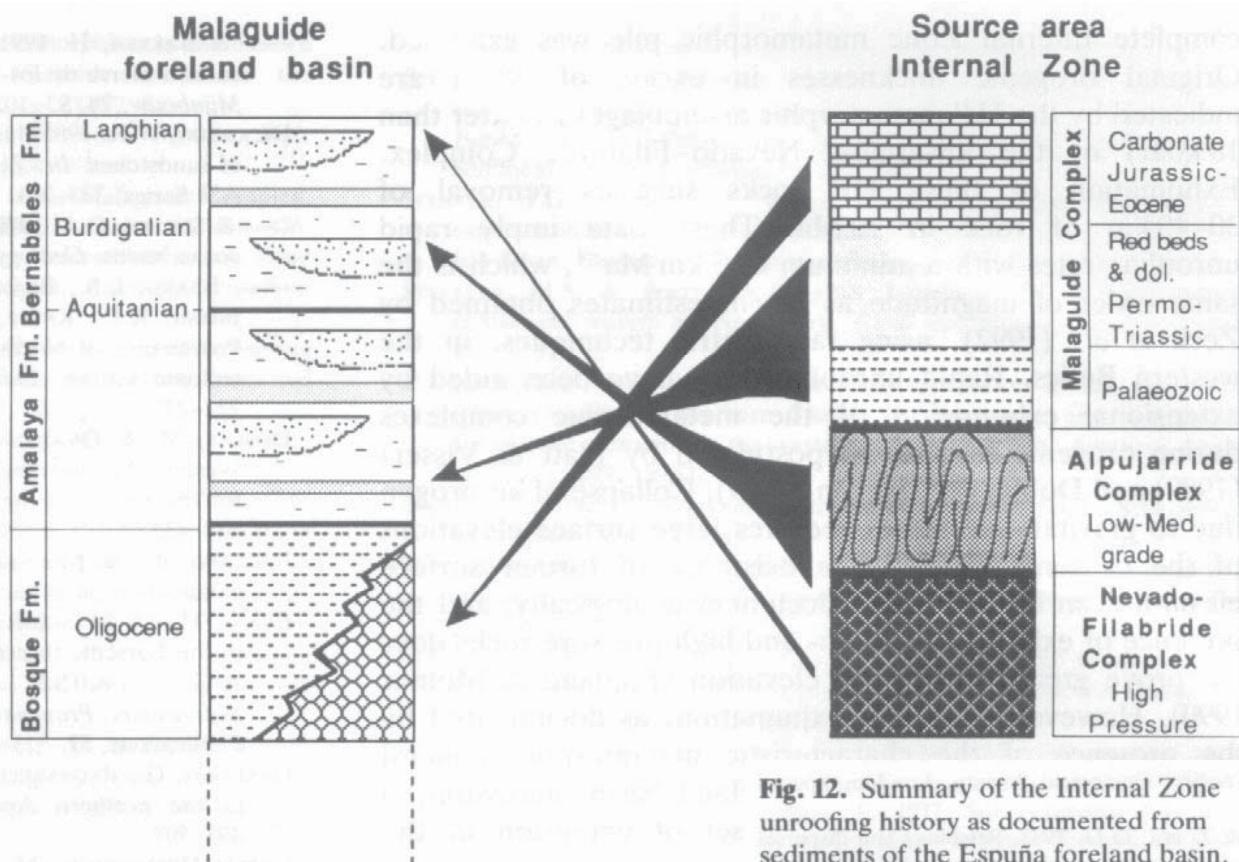


Fig. 12. Summary of the Internal Zone unroofing history as documented from sediments of the Espuña foreland basin. Stratigraphic columns are schematic and not to scale.

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