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Reflexions on the archaeological

– perspectives on digital data

Based on Assaf Nativs paper: No compensation needed: On archaeology and the archaeological (2017), the following paper discusses and contemplates on how to understand the archaeological and the archaeological material. Many recommendations are shared with the author, but with a difference in recommendation for what the archaeological is, and how to handle the archaeological material and record. Assaf Nativ proposes a fluid classification, whereas this paper proposes multiple classifications. Equally, Assaf Nativ wants to find the unique archaeological.This paper proposes that, the archaeological is unique by its transformation of information to data in consideration of multiple possible perspectives with an openness to other disciplines. Because the archaeological does not constitute a predefined path of investigation towards conclusion, to handle the archaeological and the archaeological material, it is necessary to adapt data to multiple perspectives of evidence regarding absence and presence, as well as register altered classifications based on changes to context and theories. Thus, the archaeological represent what the archaeological material is to demonstrate everything it becomes and was.