Record Nr. UNINA9910337715403321 Integrating Qualitative and Social Science Factors in Archaeological Titolo Modelling / / edited by Mehdi Saqalli, Marc Vander Linden Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Springer,, 2019 **ISBN** 3-030-12723-0 Edizione [1st ed. 2019.] 1 online resource (237 pages) Descrizione fisica Collana Simulating the Past, , 2662-3145 Disciplina 930.1028 930.1 Soggetti Social sciences—Data processing Social sciences—Computer programs Computer simulation Archaeology Sociophysics **Econophysics** Ethnology Computational Social Sciences Simulation and Modeling Data-driven Science, Modeling and Theory Building Social Anthropology Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di contenuto Introduction -- O tempora O mores: Building an epistemological procedure for modeling socio-anthropological factors: stakes, choices, hypotheses and constraints -- From culture difference to a measure of ethnogenesis -- Modeling niche construction in Neolithic Europe -- A new reading of the French Bronze Age using data from developmentled archaeology: Bronze Age survey database (DatABronze) -- What can a MAS tell us about the Bantu migrations 3000 years ago? -- The evolutionary transition from biologically to culturally based social

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## Sommario/riassunto

This book covers the methodological, epistemological and practical issues of integrating qualitative and socio-anthropological factors into archaeological modeling. This text fills the gap between conceptual modeling (which usually relies on narratives describing the life of a past community) and formalized/computer-based modeling which are usually environmentally-determined. Methods combining both environmental and social issues through niche and agent-based modeling are presented. These methods help to translate data from paleo-environmental and archaeological society life cycles (such as climate and landscape changes) into the local spatial scale. The epistemological discussions will appeal to readers as well as the resilience socio-anthropological factors provide facing climatic fluctuations. Integrating Qualitative and Social Science Factors in Archaeological Modelling will appeal to students and researchers in the field. Features the integration of socio-anthropological factors (such as inheritance or locality) into conceptual modeling; Contains several examples of formalization case studies; each one describing a method dealing with socio-anthropological factors; Includes an epistemological analysis of the way factors are integrated and/or formalized for reducing the gap between environmentally-deterministic and socioanthropological-formalized modelling.