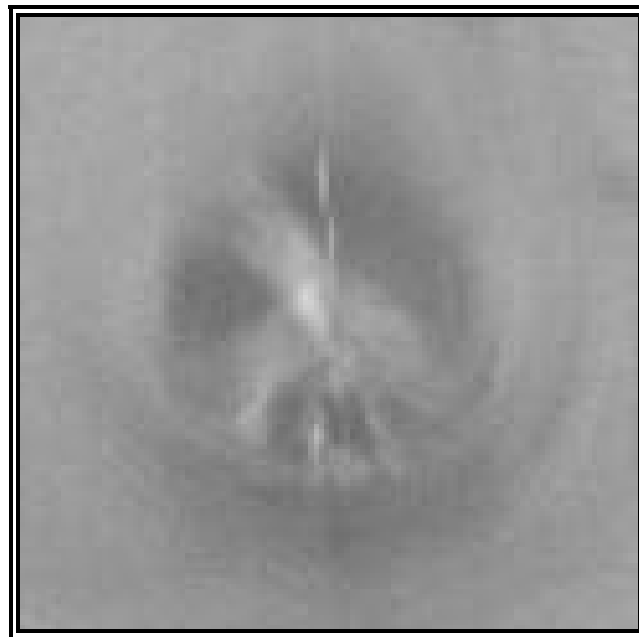


(a)



(b)

Figure 3.5. Severe checking in a red oak knot as it appears in the color image (a), and the x-ray image (b).