

CSIRO Discovery

Innovation in data utilisation:

Automated domaining of multivariate gamma and geochemistry data for rapid drill hole logging

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Discovery program



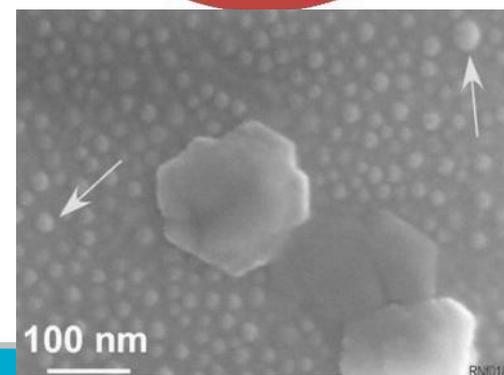
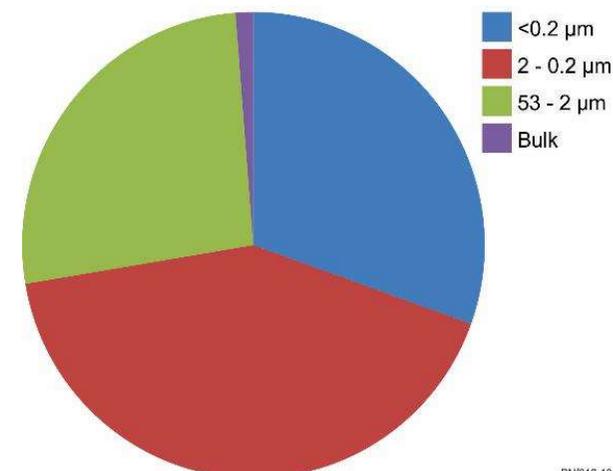
Exploration through cover

- M462 - Multi-scaled near surface exploration using ultrafine soils

Mineral	Diameter (μm)	Surface/exchange area (m^2/g)
Sand	50-2000	0.04
Silt	2-50	0.1
Clays	< 2	5 - 800

Benefits of fine fraction concentration

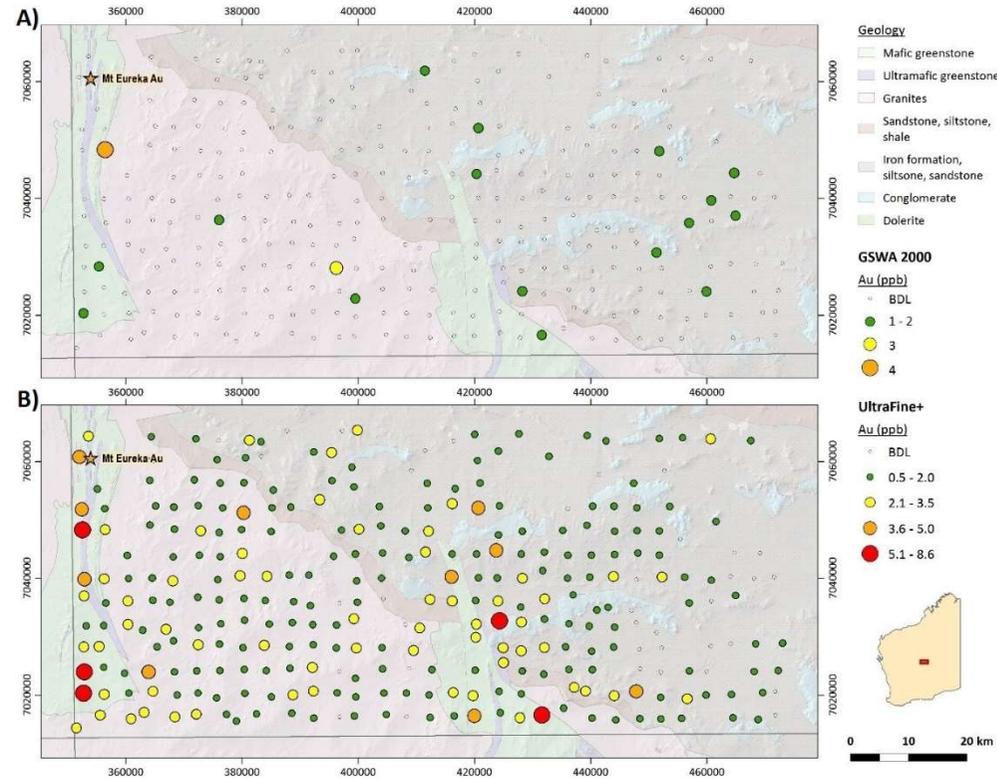
- Enhance concentrations from dune sands to 10s ppb
- More reproducible/reliable
- Big upside for detection, reproducibility and exploring through cover for subtle Au, Cu, Zn signatures





soils commercialised workflow

- A) Original sampling and analysis by GSWA (2000)
 - <math>< 180 \mu\text{m}/80 \text{ mesh}</math>, milled. 18 of 300 with Au
- B) Same samples using UltraFine+
- Additional spectral and physical properties
- *Future will be Machine learning/uncertainty maps for industry at a click of a button to come*



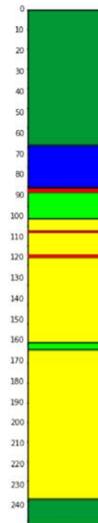
Current Practice:

Traditional methods of building a 3D model from drill core:

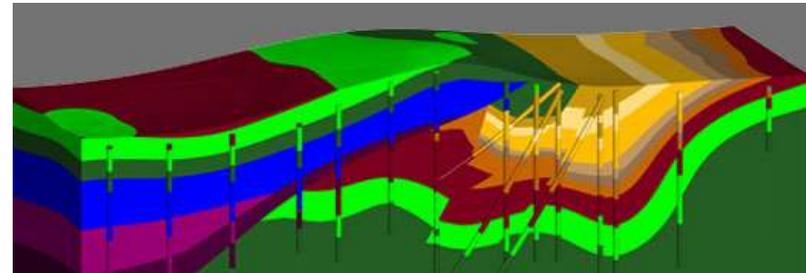
- subjective



visual core logging

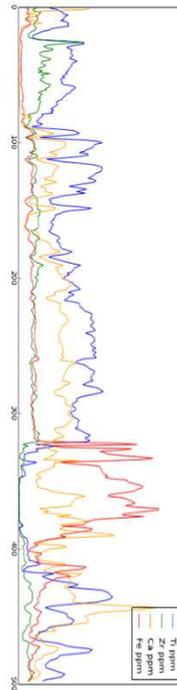


geology model

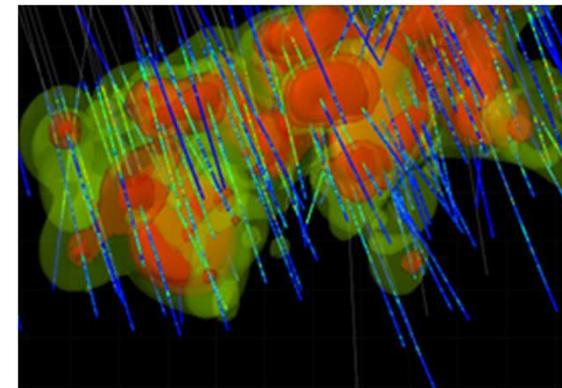


Current Practice:

collect numerical data:
• non-subjective



but 3D models of numerical data
have limited geological meaning

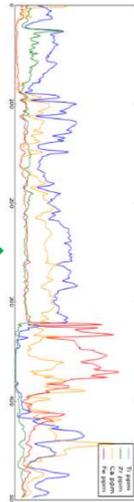


isosurface “blob model”

What We Want:

- integrated data
- categorical labels
- meaningful geological boundaries

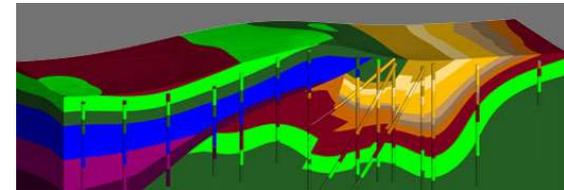
numerical data:
• non-subjective



Automated methods



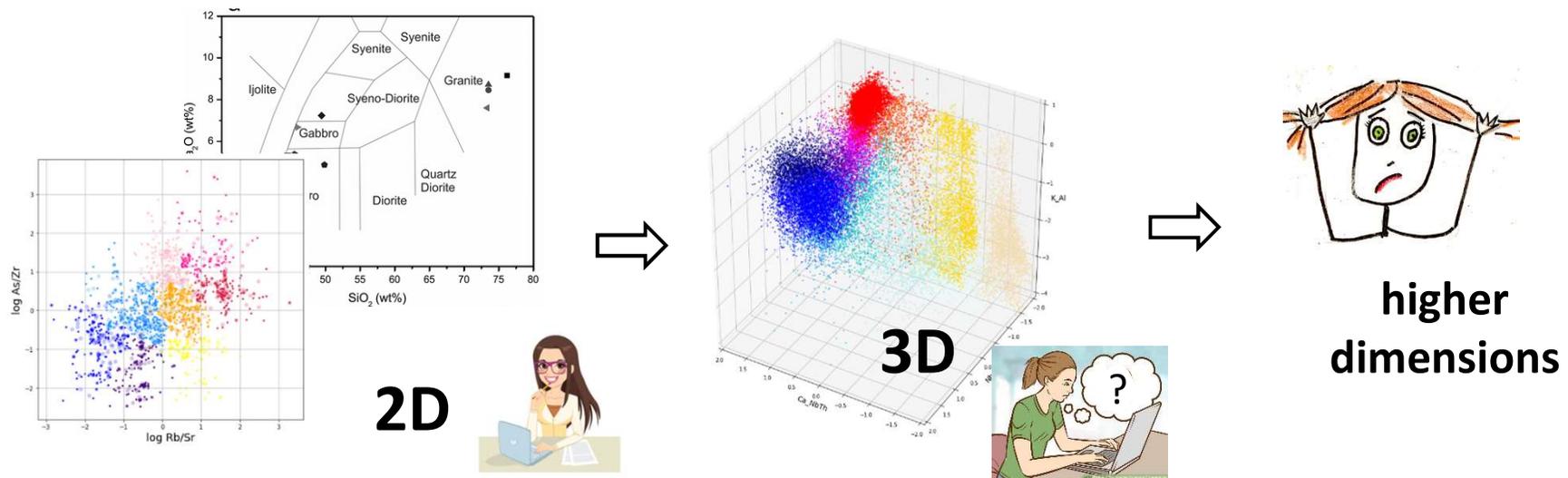
geology model



Can we use machine learning for classifying samples as rock types?

What Is Machine Learning?

A very powerful method for analysing and classifying samples when there are lots of variables (i.e. high dimensional data)

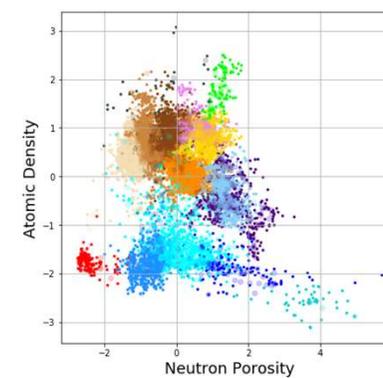
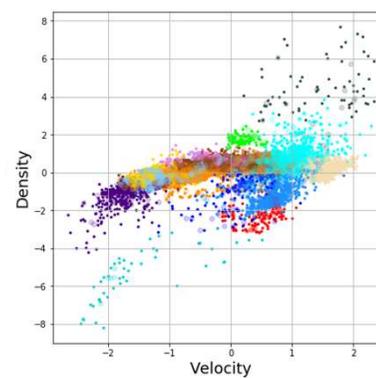
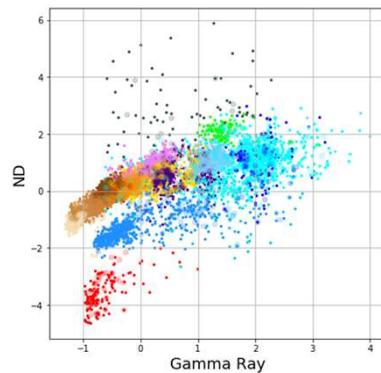


Unsupervised Machine Learning

Data exploration - I don't know how I want to divide my data up into classes,
I need some ideas

⇒ “Clustering”

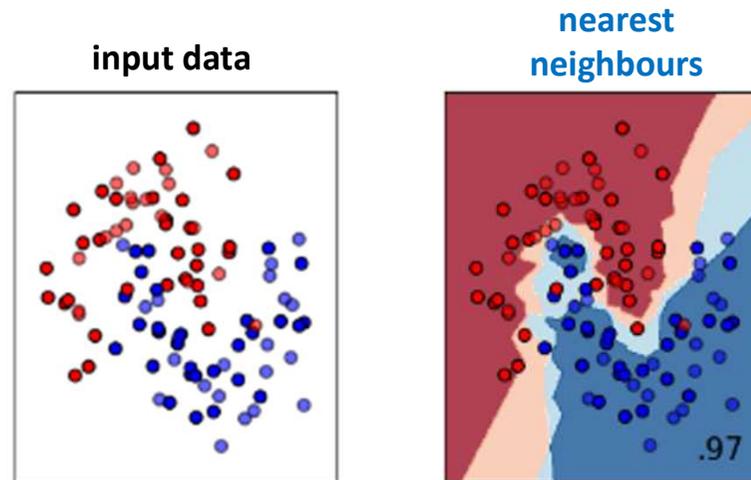
Try 15 clusters



Supervised Machine Learning

I have some labelled data I can use to train a classifier.

Algorithm will segment the space up into class regions.

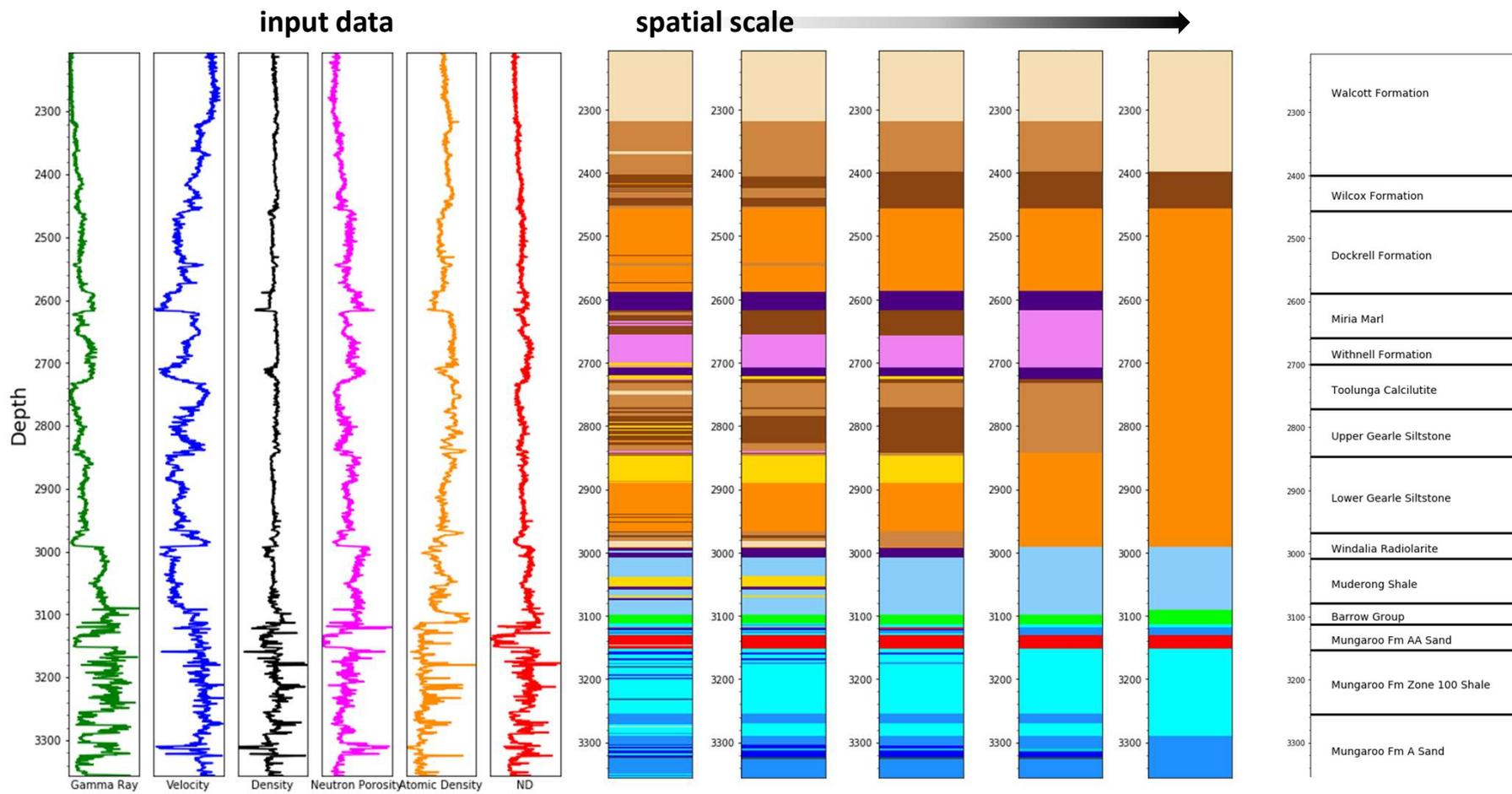


plot from : scikit-learn

**Incorporating spatial information
is important**

But at what scale?

**What if you could apply
classification at any spatial
scale with accurate boundary
locations?**

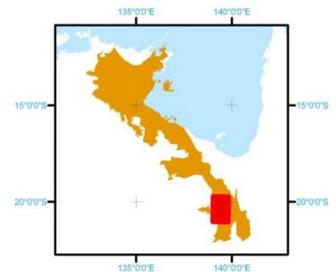
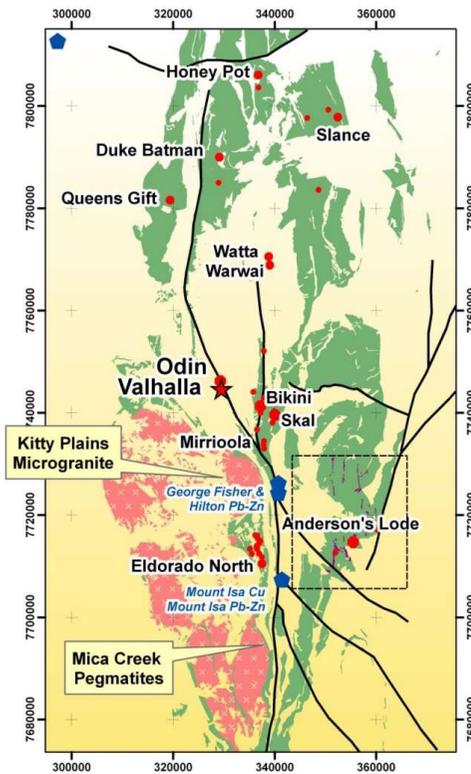


Wavelet Tessellation Method

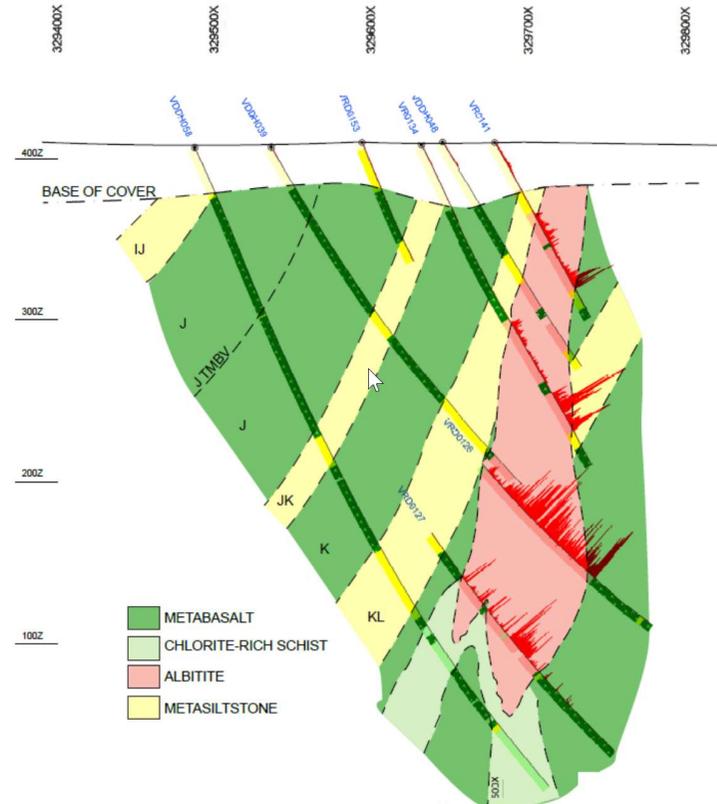
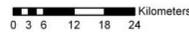
an example

Valhalla Uranium Deposit

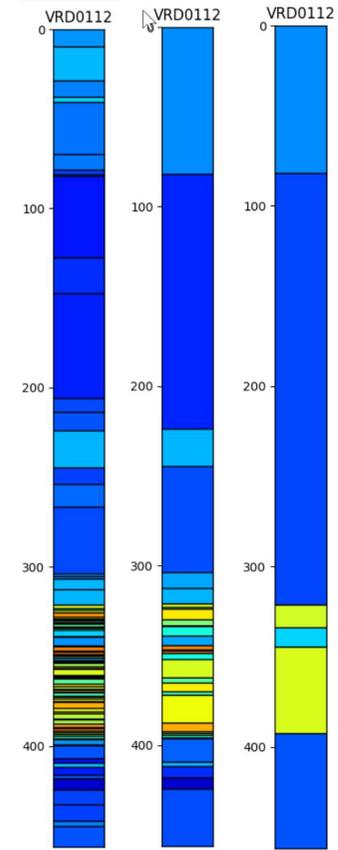
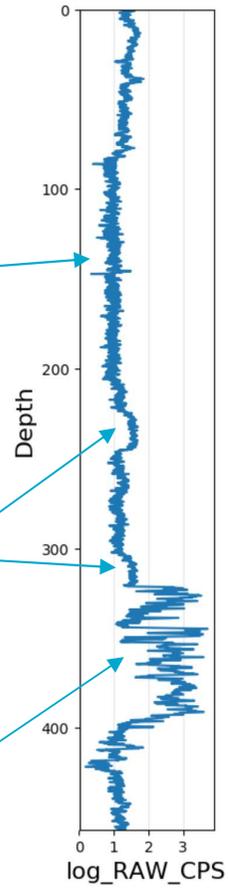
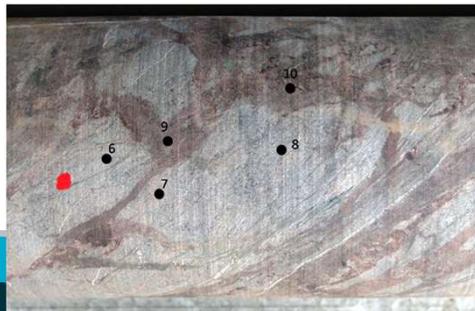
hosted in the Eastern Creek Volcanics – basalts and siltstones



- Legend**
- URANIUM DEPOSITS**
- ★ Large Deposit
 - Medium Deposit
 - Small Deposit
 - Occurrence
- BASE-METAL MINES**
- CARBONATE ALTERATION
 - SYBELLA BATHOLITH
 - EASTERN CREEK VOLCANICS



Downhole gamma



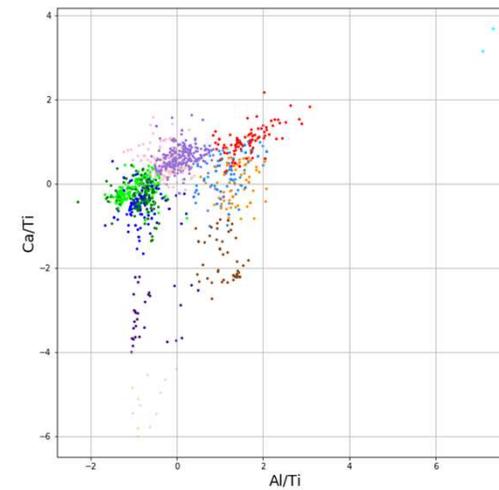
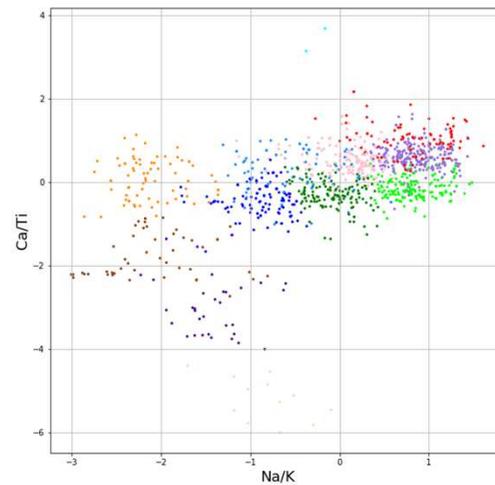
Multi-Element Geochemistry and downhole gamma

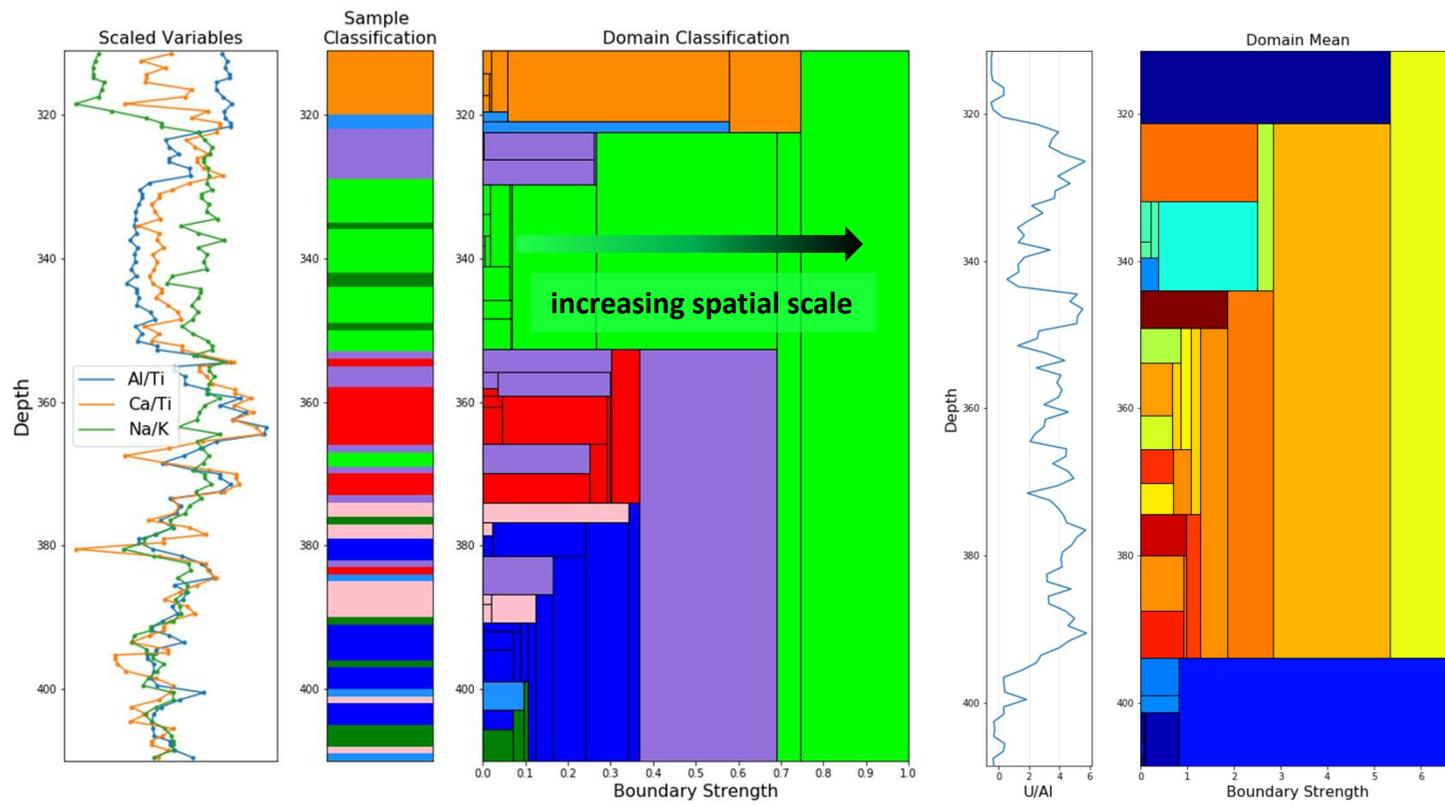
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5 elements used: Al, K, Na, Ca, Ti

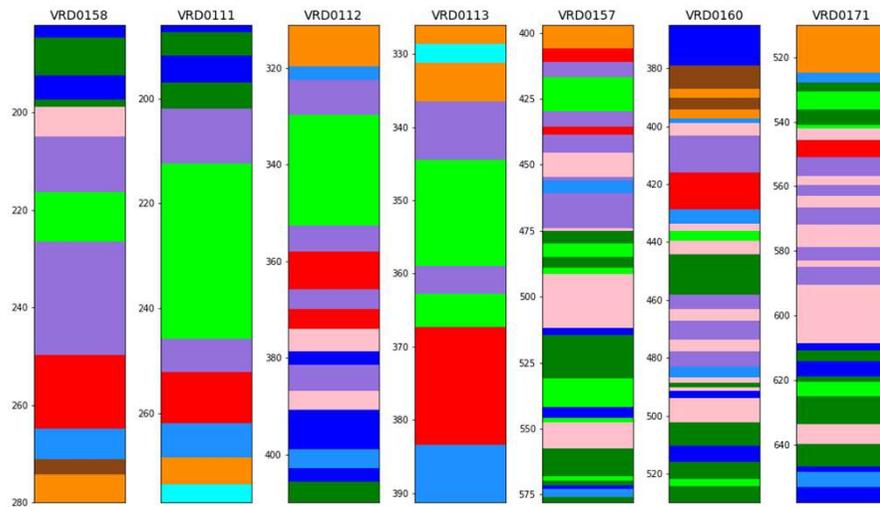
K-means clustering, 12 clusters



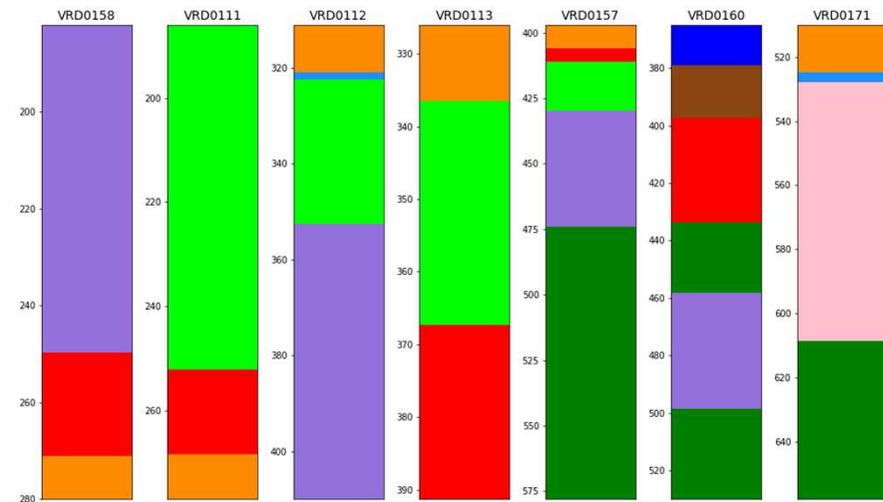


259 drill holes analysed in minutes

what scale do you want to model at?



small scale



large scale

Contact us and we will show you how to do **faster, less subjective and consistent interpretation** of complex data sets

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