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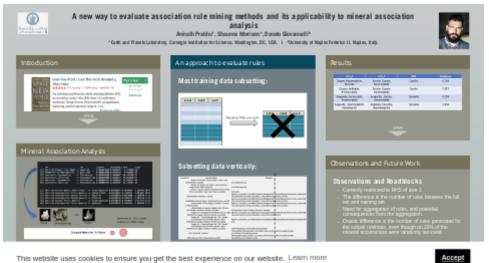
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#### Abstract

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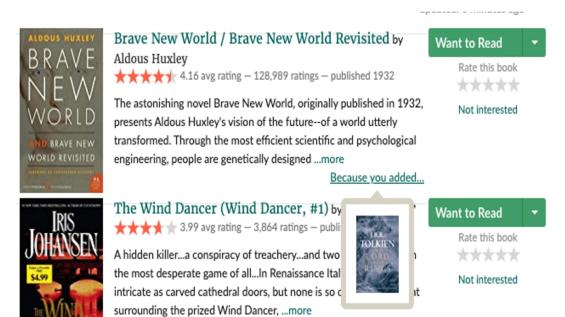


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#### INTRODUCTION

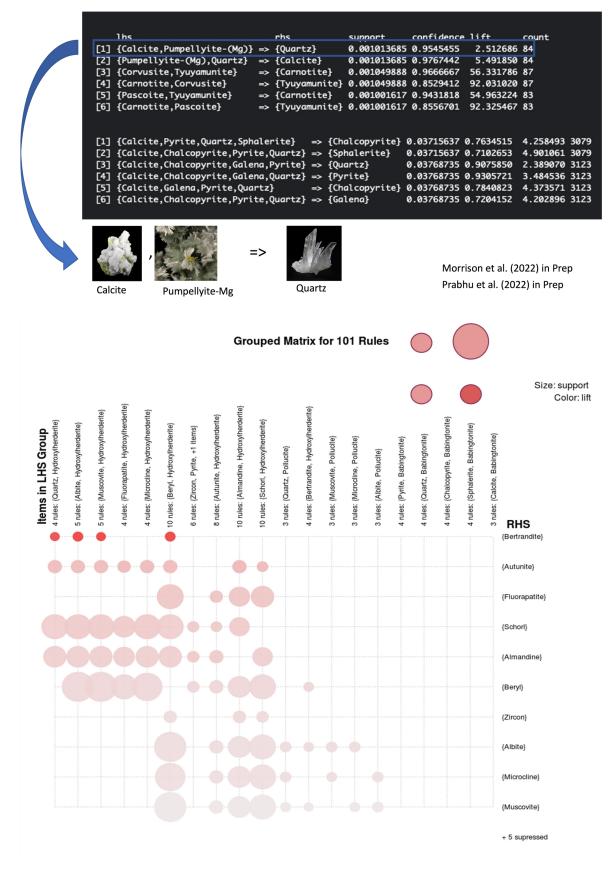


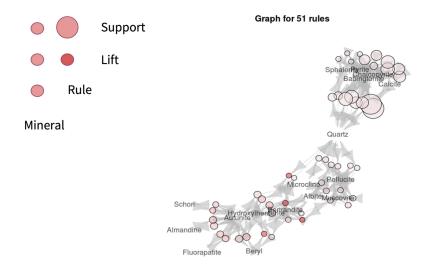
# **Collaborative Filtering**





#### MINERAL ASSOCIATION ANALYSIS





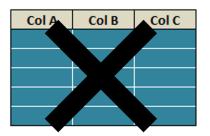
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## AN APPROACH TO EVALUATE RULES

#### Most training data subsetting:

Col A	Col B	Col C

Subset or Filter rows in R



#### Subsetting data vertically:

Mindat ID	Locality Name	Minerals
	Broken Hill District, Yancowinna Co., New South	
23573	33 Wales, Australia	Uraninite,Torbernite
	Broken Hill, Broken Hill District, Yancowinna Co.,	
7	2 New South Wales, Australia	Uraninite,Torbernite
	Block 14 Opencut, Broken Hill, Broken Hill District,	•
7	73 Yancowinna Co., New South Wales, Australia	Torbernite
1562	22 Northern Territory, Australia	Wyartite, Uranopilite, Uraninite, Torbernite, Sklodowskite, Saleeite, Rabejacite, Parsonsite, Metatorber nite, Johannite, Dumontite, Dewindtite, Curite, Coffinite, Brannerite, Autunite
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26358	39 West Arnhem Region, Northern Territory, Australia	nite, Johannite, Dumontite, Dewindtite, Curite, Coffinite, Brannerite, Autunite
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27795	56 Australia	nite, Johannite, Dumontite, Dewindtite, Curite, Coffinite, Brannerite, Autunite
	Jabiluka Uranium Deposit, Kakadu, West Arnhem	
4161	11Region, Northern Territory, Australia	Sklodowskite,Saleeite,Coffinite,Autunite,Uraninite
	<b>o</b> ( <b>o</b> <i>n n n</i>	Wy artite, Uran opilite, Uran inite, Torbernite, Sklodowskite, Saleeite, Rabejacite, Parsonsite, Metatorbernite, Sklodowskite, Saleeite, Rabejacite, Parsonsite, Metatorbernite, Sklodowskite, Saleeite, Rabejacite, Parsonsite, Metatorbernite, Sklodowskite, Saleeite,
462	22 Arnhem Region, Northern Territory, Australia	nite, Johannite, Dumontite, Dewindtite, Curite, Coffinite, Brannerite
	Ranger No. 1 Deposit (Ranger No. 1 Pit), Ranger	
414/	Mine (Ranger Uranium Mine), Kakadu, West PArnhem Region, Northern Territory, Australia	Wyartite, Uranopilite, Uraninite, Sklodowskite, Saleeite, Ralejacite, Metatorbernite, Dewindtite, Brann erite
4144	Ranger No. 3 Deposit (Ranger No. 3 Pit), Ranger	ente
	Mine (Ranger Uranium Mine), Kakadu, West	
4144	13 Arnhem Region, Northern Territory, Australia	Torbernite,Saleeite,Metatorbernite,Dewindtite
		Yttrotantalite-(Y), Uranocircite-II, Uraninite, Torbernite, Richetite, Phurcalite, Davidite-
12	27Queensland, Australia	(La),Coffinite,Carnotite,Brannerite
		Yttrotantalite-(Y),Uranocircite-II,Uraninite,Torbernite,Richetite,Phurcalite,Davidite-
647	1Cloncurry Shire, Queensland, Australia	(La),Coffinite,Carnotite,Brannerite
13	33 Cloncurry, Cloncurry Shire, Queensland, Australia	Uraninite, Torbernite, Richetite, Phurcalite, Coffinite, Brannerite
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#### Association Rules Example:

Full Set	Subset
$M_1M_2M_4 \rightarrow M_6$	$M_1M_4 \rightarrow M_6$
$M_2M_4 \rightarrow M_5$	$M_2M_4 \rightarrow M_5$
$M_8M_7 \rightarrow M_3$	$M_6 \rightarrow M_3$
$M_5M_2M_9 \rightarrow M_7$	$M_1 \rightarrow M_8$
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#### **Resilience of a Rule:**

For  $\exists RHS_i$ ,

- If no matches on LHS skip rule.
- Else, create a full set of items from the LHS of both rules.

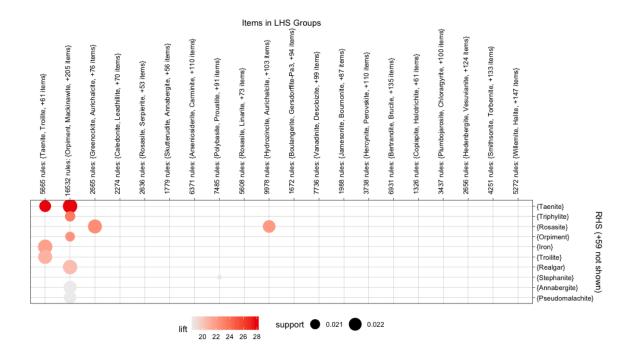
$$\frac{N_{LHS_F}}{N_{LHS_T}} \times |L_F - L_T| \times \frac{1}{N_{LHS_F \cap T}}$$

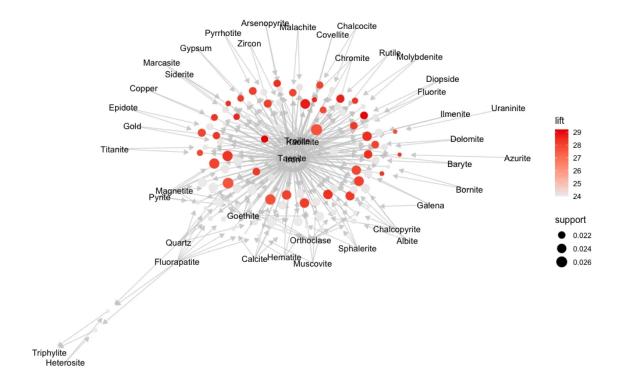
The ideal resilience of a rule is 0. The higher the score, the lower the resilience of the rule.

# RESULTS

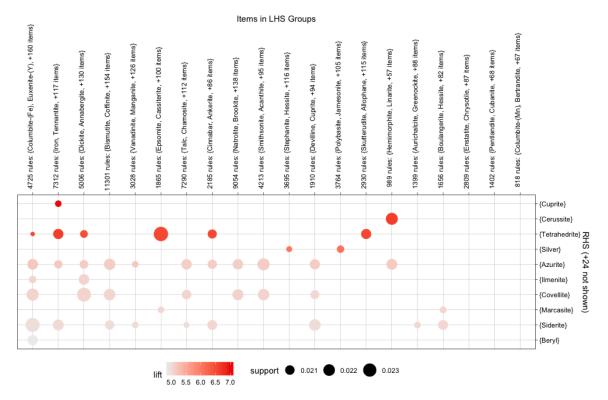
LHS_F	LHS_T	RHS	Resilience
Copper, Pyromorphite, Tenorite	Azurite, Copper, Pyromorphite	Cuprite	0.045
Copper, Lollingite, Pyromorphite	Azurite, Copper, Pyromorphite	Cuprite	0.227
Aragonite, Aurichalcite, Pyromorphite	Aragonite , Calcite, Pyromorphite	Cerussite	0.054
Anglesite, Hemimorphite, Xenotime-(Y)	Anglesite, Covellite, Hemimorphite	Cerussite	0.110

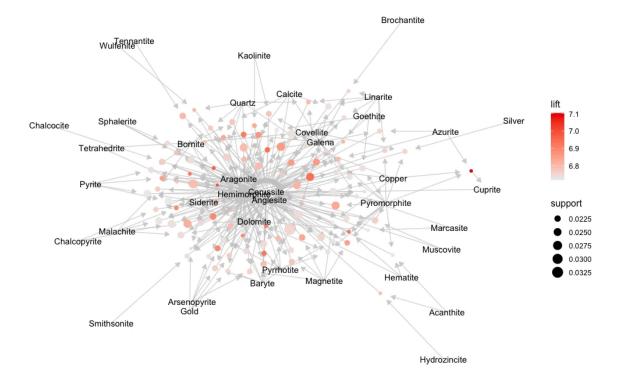
#### Full Rulebase:











### **OBSERVATIONS AND FUTURE WORK**

#### **Observations and Roadblocks**

- Currently restricted to RHS of size 1.
- The difference in the number of rules between the full set and training set.
- Need for aggregation of rules, and potential consequences from the aggregation.
- Drastic difference in the number of rules generated for the subset rulebase, even though on 20% of the mineral occurrences were randomly removed.

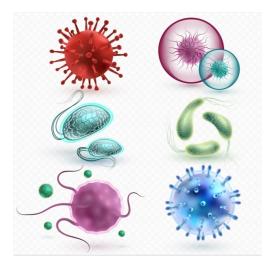
#### **Future Work:**

- Increase the size of RHS above 1. (In order to predict more complex mineral assemblages)
- Develop a method to aggregate rules.
- Improve and fine tune evaluation method.

#### **Exploring Microbial Association Analysis:**











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