

# Project - Mineral Classification using AI

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A close-up photograph of a Raman spectroscopy instrument. The central component is a rotating stage with a sample holder, mounted on a silver-colored metal frame. The background is dark and out of focus, showing other parts of the machine.

# Introduction to Mineral Classification

## Challenges of Traditional Methods

Manual inspection and classical Raman spectroscopy are slow, error-prone, and need expert interpretation in industrial settings.

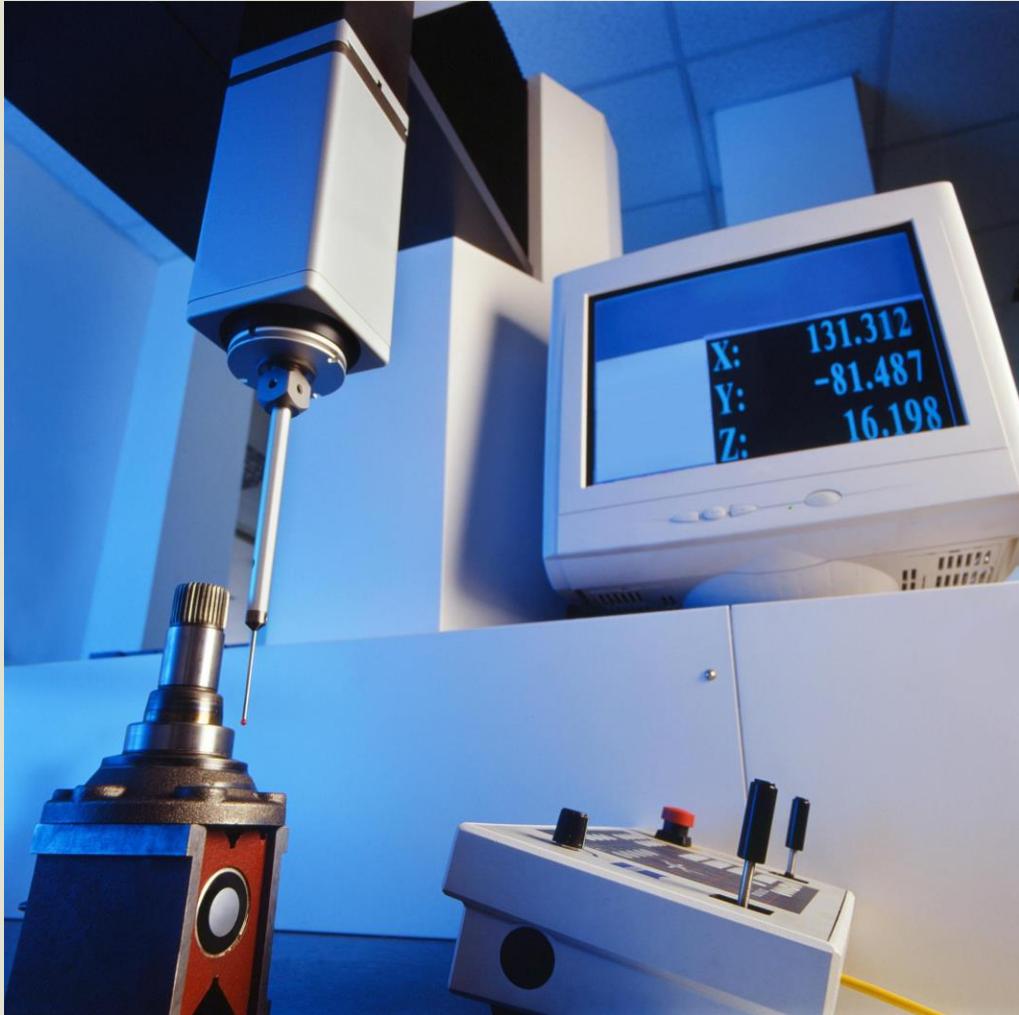
## AI Integration Benefits

Integrating AI automates mineral classification, improving speed, accuracy, and reducing manual feature extraction dependency.

## Raman Spectroscopy Advantages

Raman sensors provide detailed molecular fingerprints offering superior chemical insights beyond surface-level imaging.

# Project Objectives



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## Preference for Raman Spectroscopy

Raman spectroscopy is favored over traditional camera sensors for accurate mineral classification due to its specificity and sensitivity.

## Limitations of Classical Methods

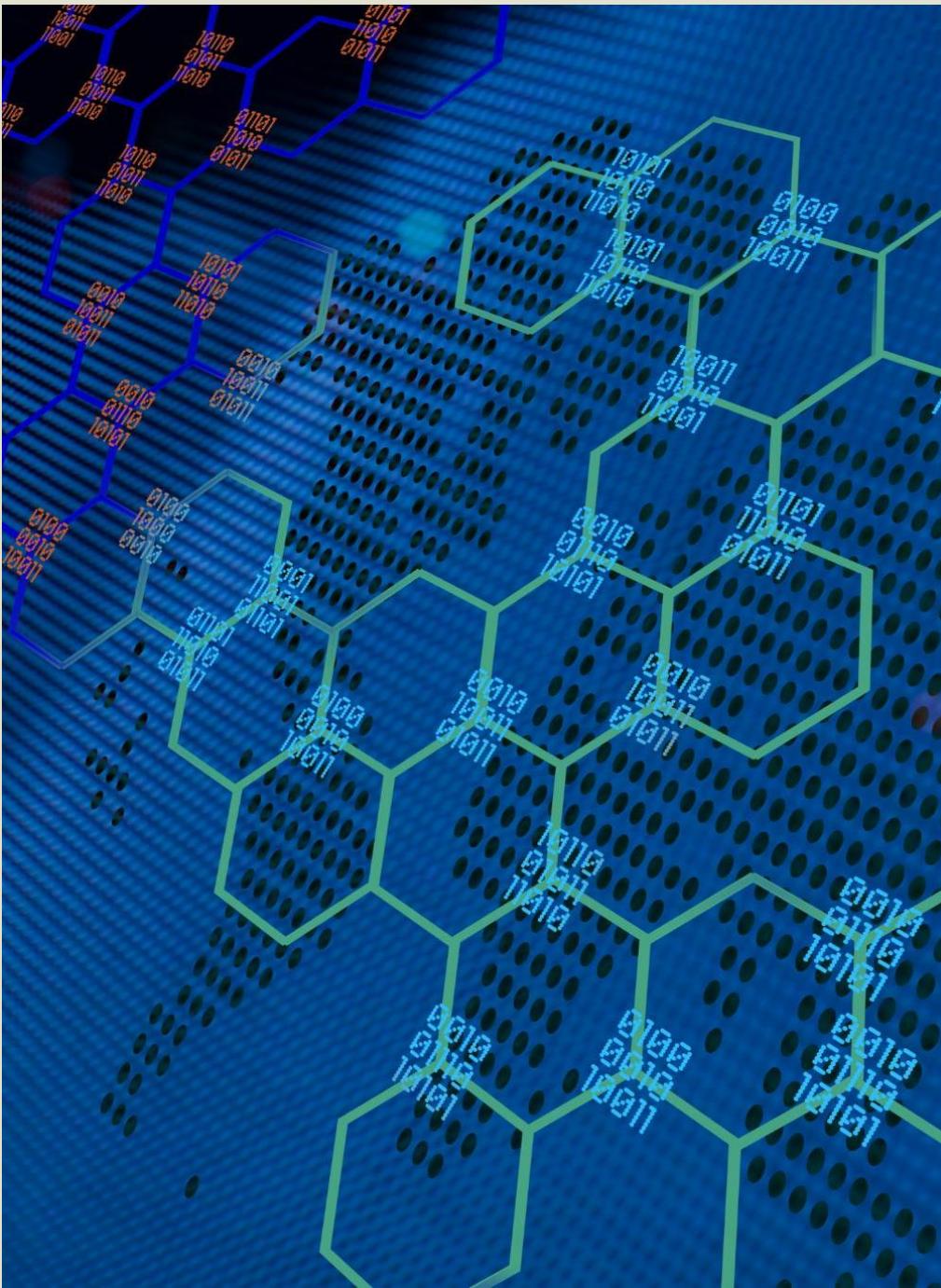
Classical Raman classification methods face challenges like noise sensitivity and overlapping spectral peaks affecting accuracy.

## Machine Learning Application

Machine learning models automate feature extraction and classification of Raman spectral data for enhanced analysis.

## Comparing Learning Approaches

Spectral image-based (30 fps & 1 fps) and spectral profile-based learning(30 fps & 1 fps) are compared for accuracy, efficiency, and scalability.



# Why Raman Spectroscopy?

## Chemical Composition Analysis

Raman spectroscopy captures molecular-level chemical information beyond surface color and texture, enabling accurate mineral identification.

## Superior to Camera Sensors

Unlike cameras, Raman sensors avoid misleading visual similarities by focusing on chemical differences in minerals.

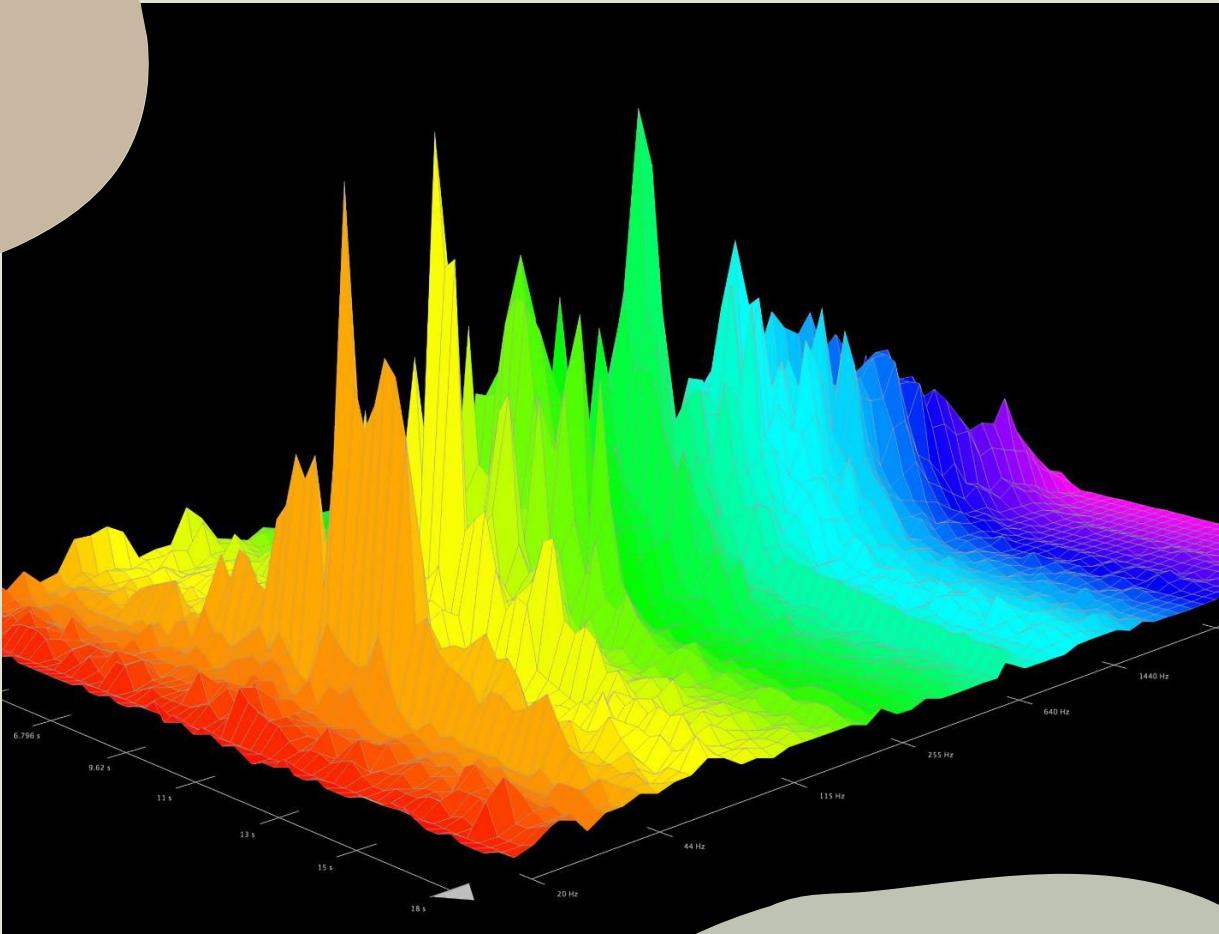
## Robustness to Environment

Raman spectroscopy maintains accuracy despite lighting changes and surface contamination, unlike optical imaging methods.

## Integration with AI

Raman spectroscopy's precise data is ideal for AI-driven classification, enhancing resilience and accuracy in diverse environments.

# Data Modalities and Preprocessing



## Mineral Classes and Data Types

The dataset contains seven mineral classes using spectral images and normalized spectral profiles as data modalities.

## Spectral Image Processing (30fps & 1fps)

Spectral images were resized and converted into RGB tensors suitable for deep learning models for both 30 fps and 1fps.

## Normalized Spectral Profiles (30fps & 1fps)

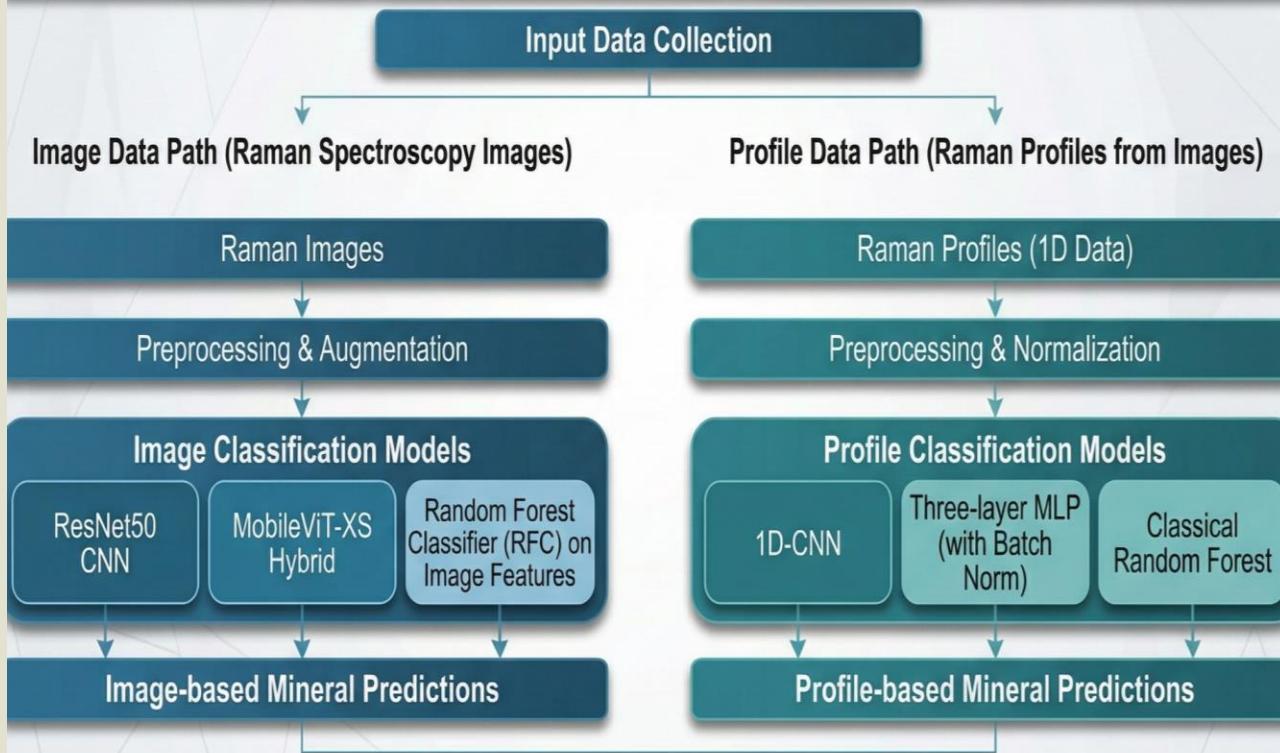
Normalized Raman intensity profiles captured one-dimensional measurements across wavelengths in CSV format for both 30 fps and 1 fps.

## Preprocessing Techniques

Normalization, label encoding, and train-test splitting were used to prepare data for model training.

# Architectures for Image and Profile Data

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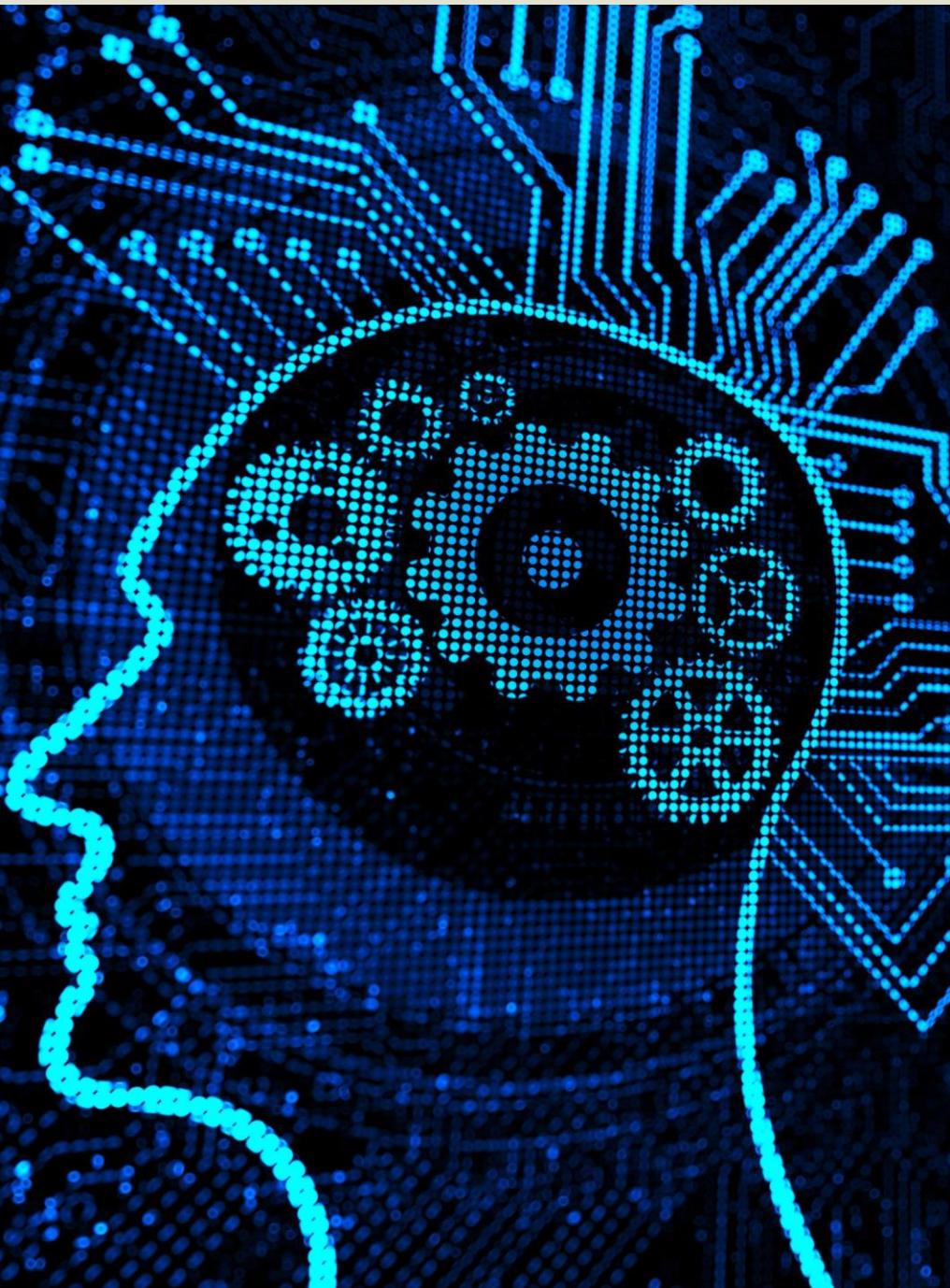


### Image Models

ResNet50 CNN, MobileViT-XS hybrid model and Random Forest on flattened images for image classification.

### Profile Models

1D-CNN uses Conv1d and AdaptiveMaxPool1d layers for feature extraction from profiles .Three-layer MLP with batch normalization and dropout. Along with classical Random Forest baseline for profile classification.



# Training Configuration and Strategy

## Supervised Learning Setup

Models were trained using supervised learning with clear labeled mineral classes to ensure accurate classification.

## Training Parameters

Adam optimizer with 0.0001 learning rate and batch sizes of 8 for images and 16 for profiles were used during training.

## Optimization and Early Stopping

Training ran up to 10 epochs for profiles and 5 for images with early stopping at 100% accuracy to save computational resources efficiently.

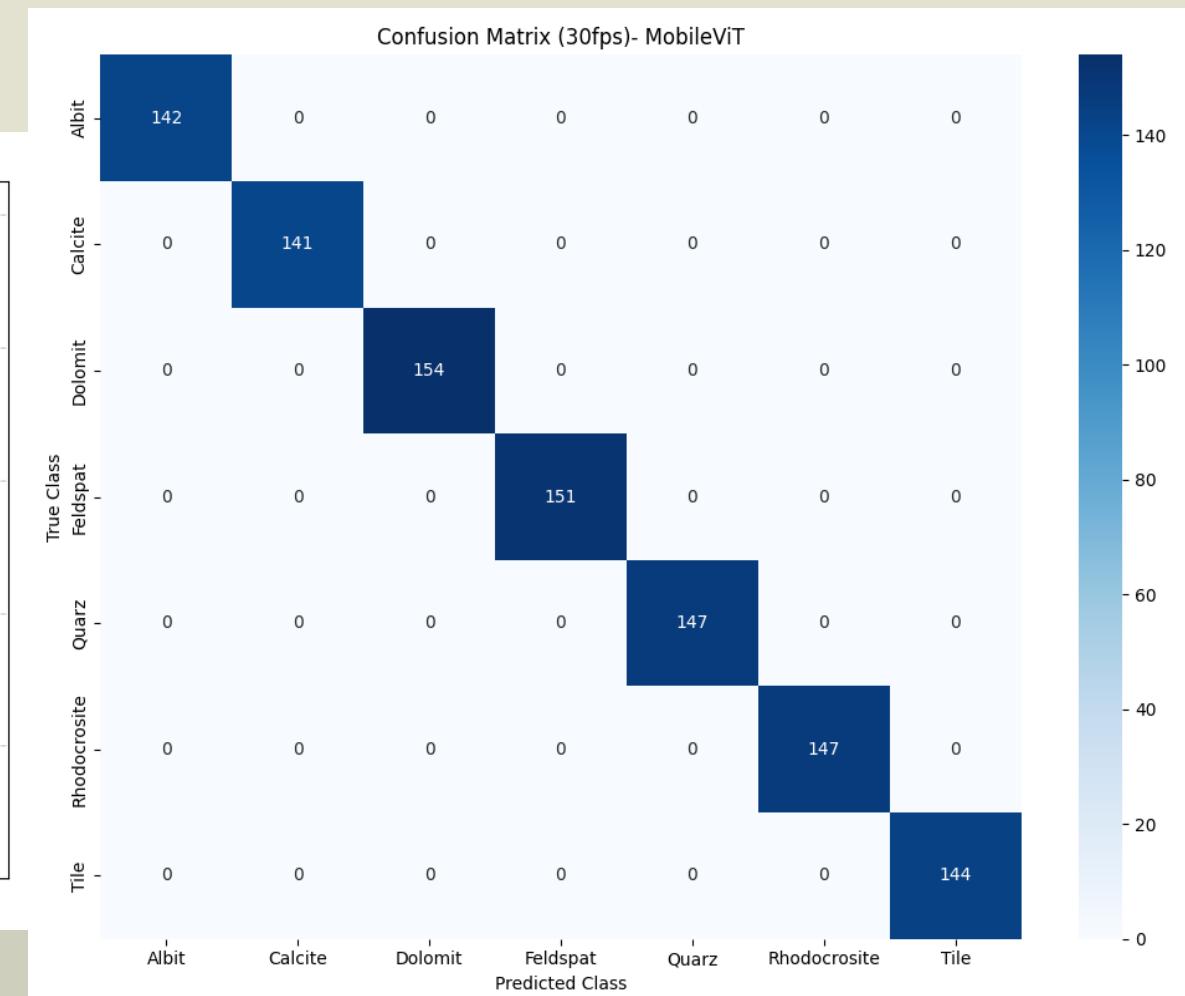
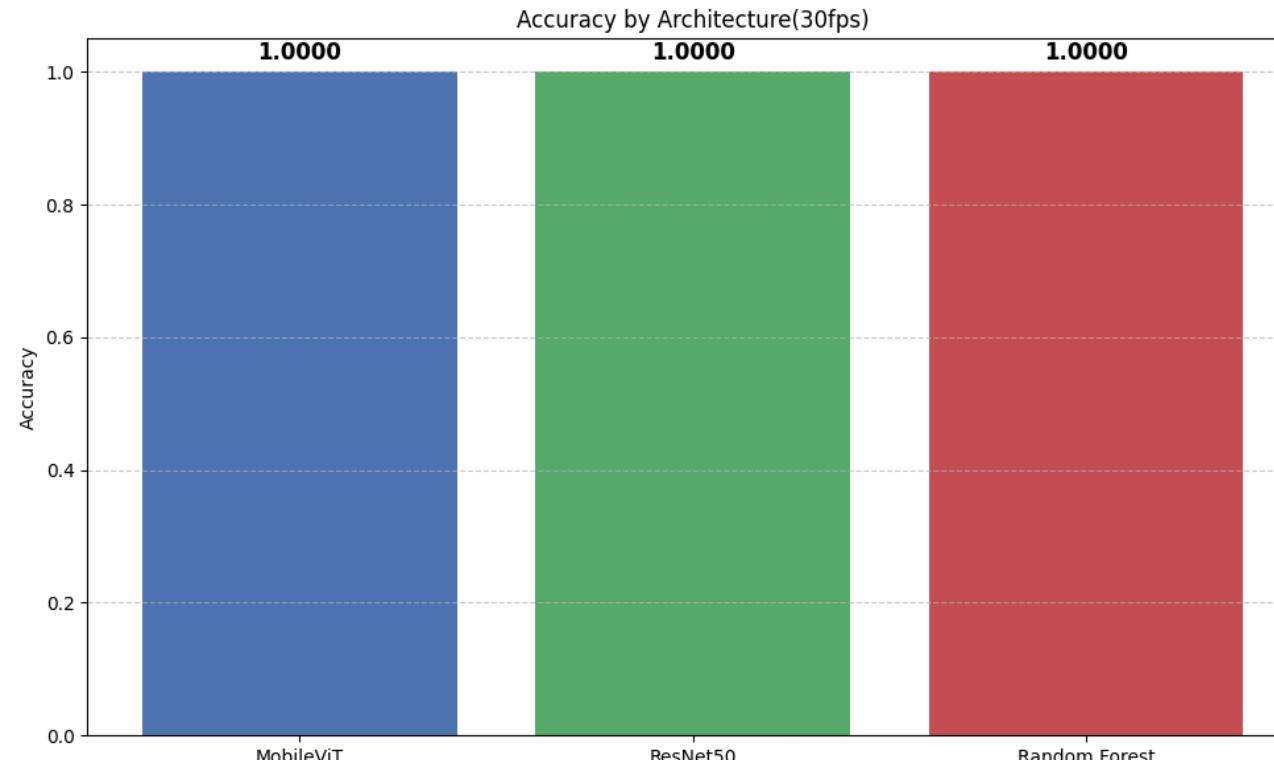
## Loss Functions and Metrics

Cross-entropy loss guided deep learning while random forest models used impurity measures like Gini index for evaluation.

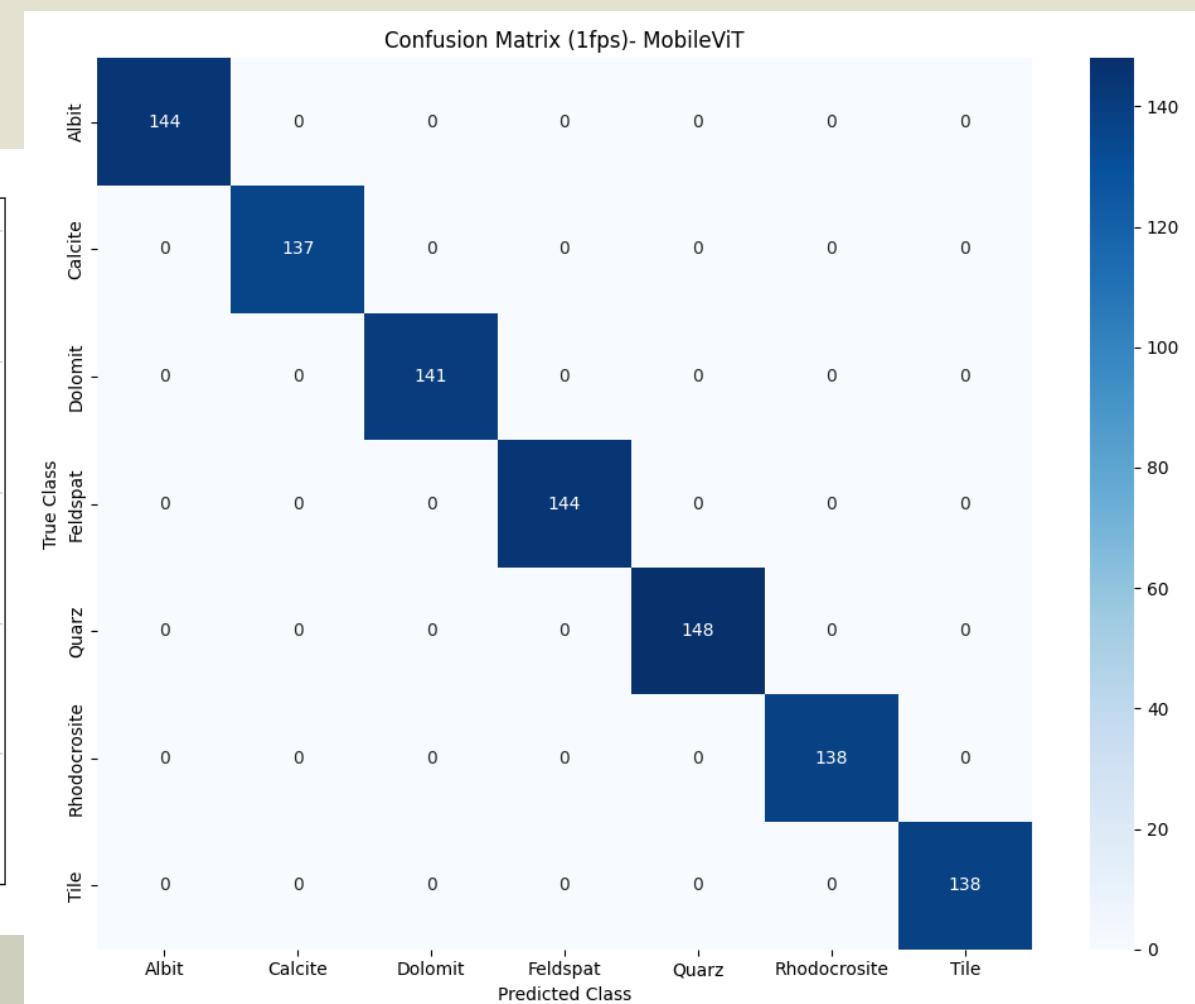
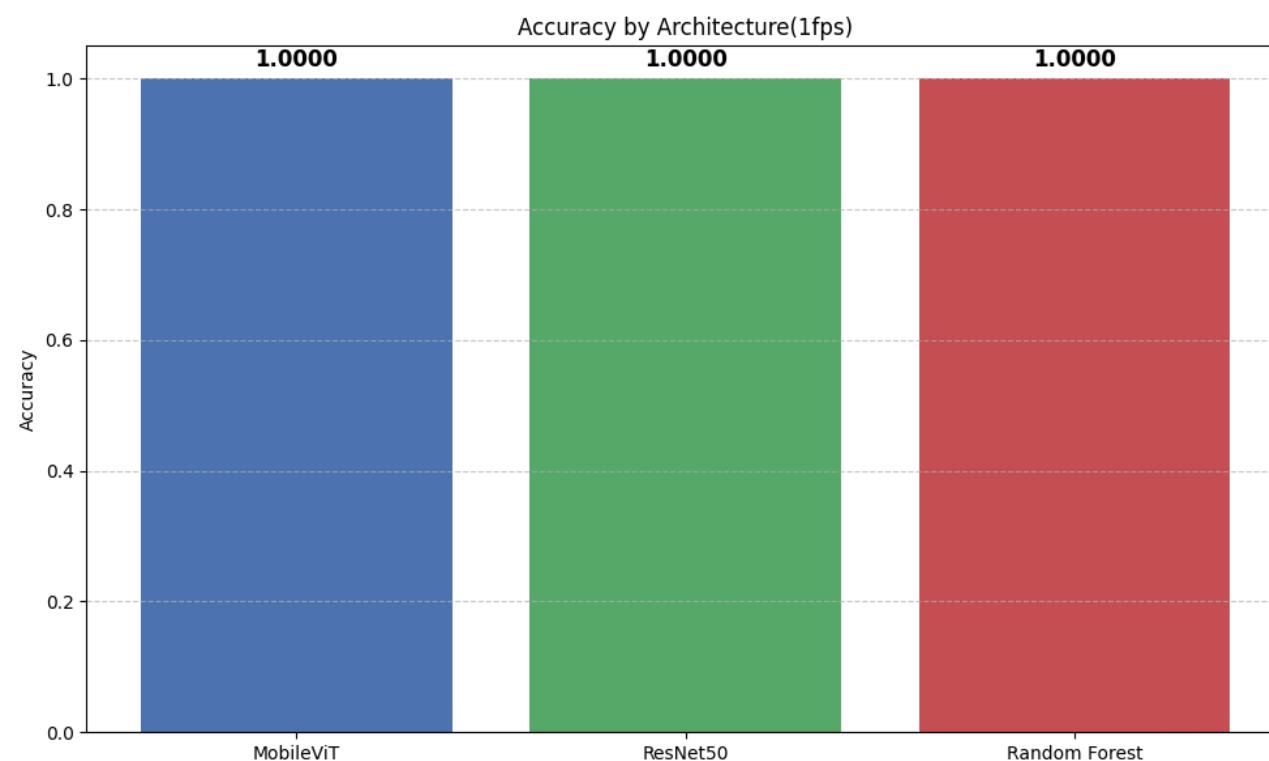
# Results

Data Type	FPS	Model	Accuracy	Training Time	Memory Usage
Image	<b>30</b>	<b>MobileViT-XS</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>Fast</b>	<b>Low</b>
Image	30	ResNet50	100%	Moderate	High
Image	30	Random Forest	100%	Moderate	High
Image	<b>1</b>	<b>MobileViT-XS</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>Fast</b>	<b>Low</b>
Image	1	ResNet50	100%	Moderate	High
Image	1	Random Forest	100%	Moderate	High
Profile	<b>30</b>	<b>Random Forest</b>	<b>~96.3%</b>	<b>Instant</b>	<b>Very Low</b>
Profile	<b>30</b>	<b>MLP</b>	<b>~95.7%</b>	<b>Very Fast</b>	<b>Very Low</b>
Profile	30	1D-CNN	~85.4%	Very Fast	Very Low
Profile	<b>1</b>	<b>Random Forest</b>	<b>~99.9%</b>	<b>Instant</b>	<b>Very Low</b>
Profile	1	<b>MLP</b>	<b>~99.7%</b>	<b>Very Fast</b>	<b>Very Low</b>
Profile	1	1D-CNN	~99.5%	Very Fast	Very Low

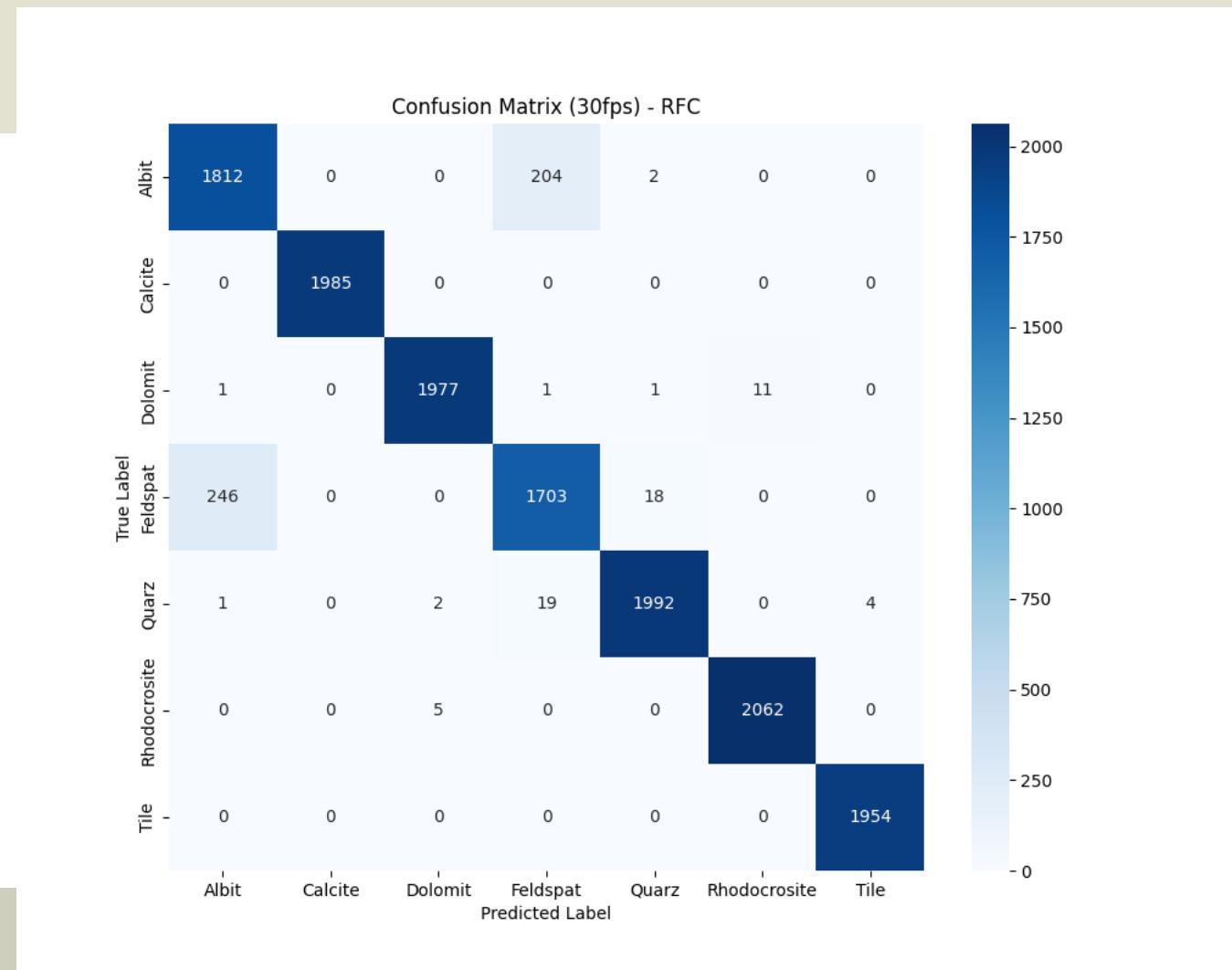
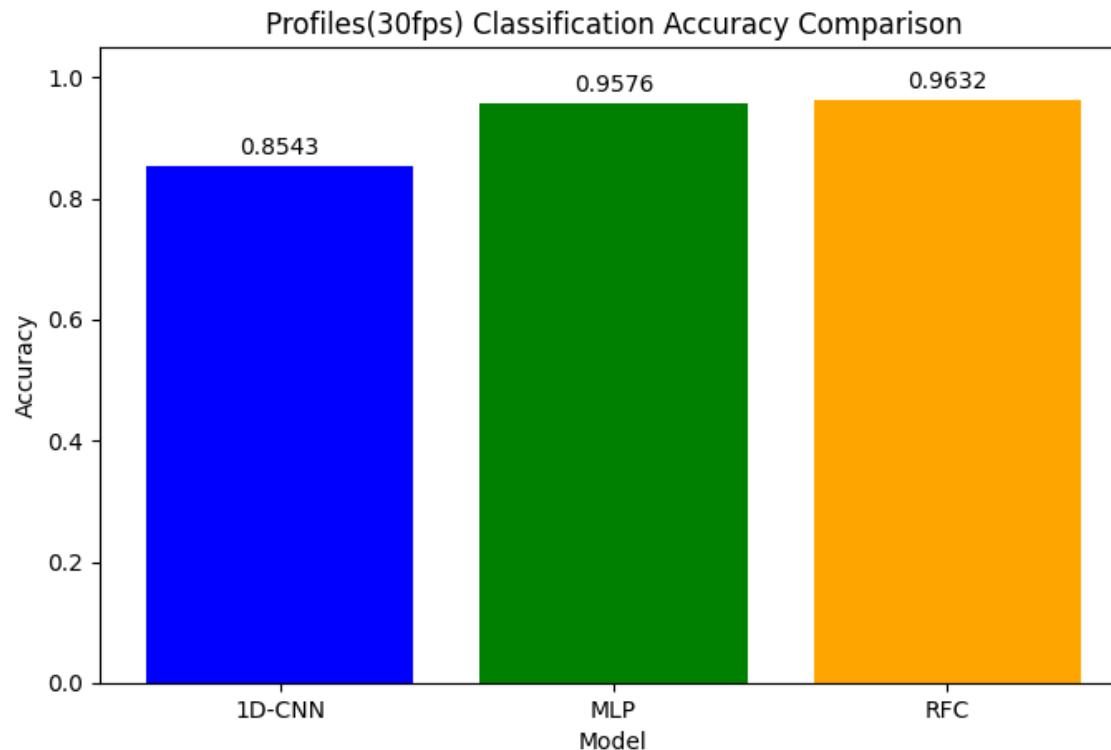
# Visuals (Images 30 fps)



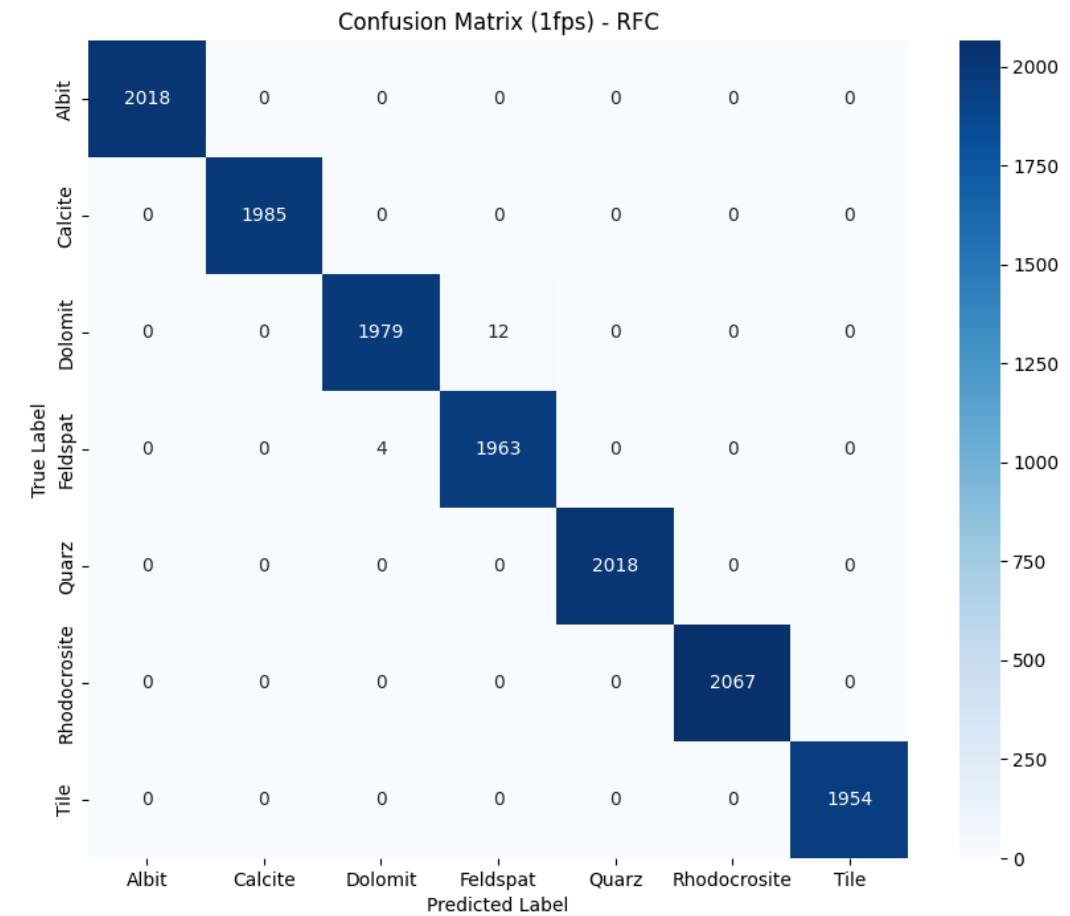
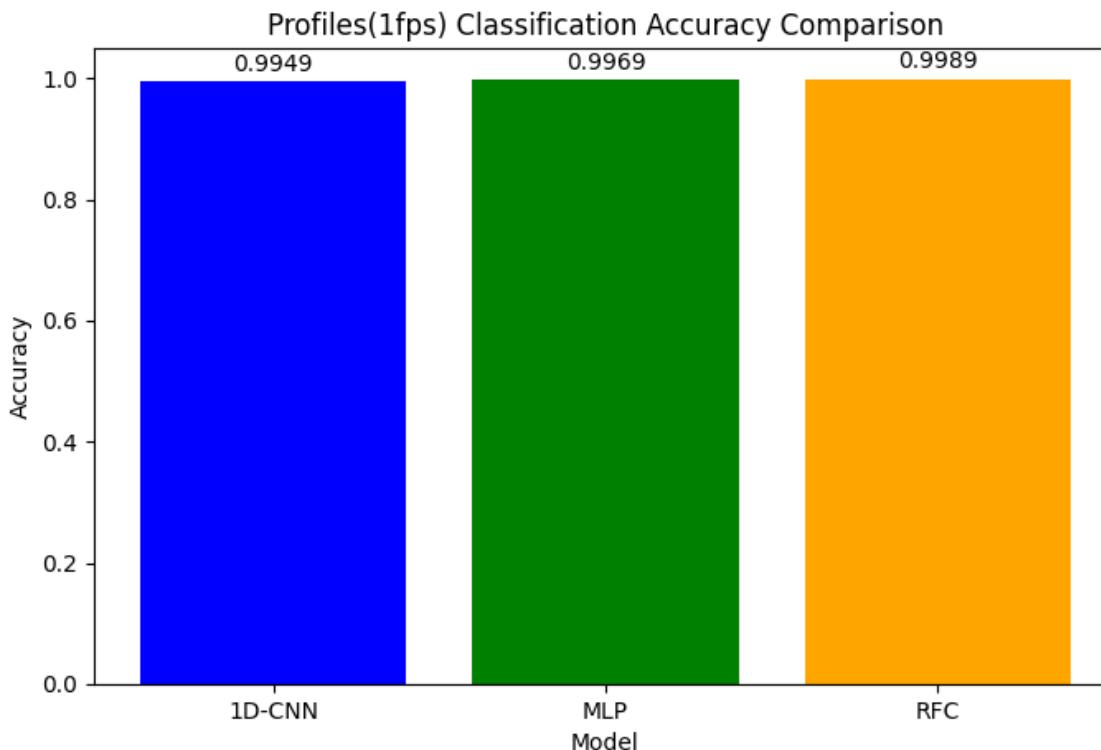
# Visuals (Images 1 fps)



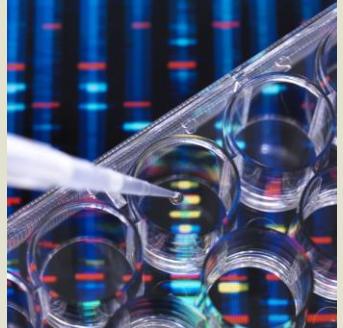
# Visuals (Profiles 30 fps)



# Visuals (Profiles 1 fps)

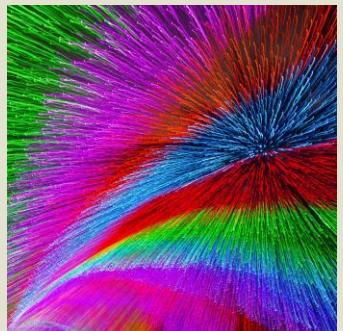


# Key Takeaways and Future Directions



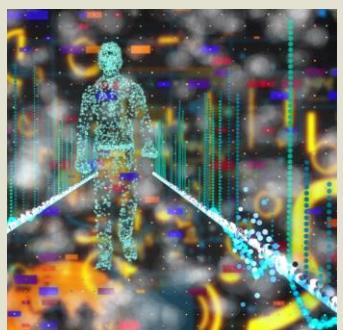
## AI-driven Mineral Classification

AI models like MobileViT-XS provide high accuracy and robustness in classifying minerals using spectral images.



## Spectral Profiles Advantages

Spectral profiles offer faster processing and lower resource use, suitable for lightweight mineral classification tasks.



## Future Research Directions

Hybrid models combining images and profiles and optimizing edge device inference could enhance mineral identification.