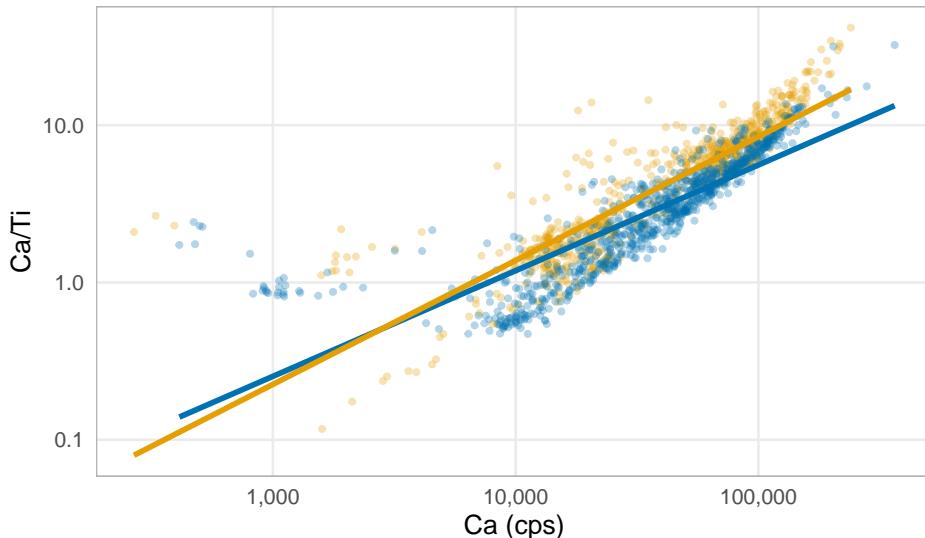


# Figure S1: Proxy Redundancy Analysis

Empirical evaluation of ratio utility in Pebas Formation XRF data

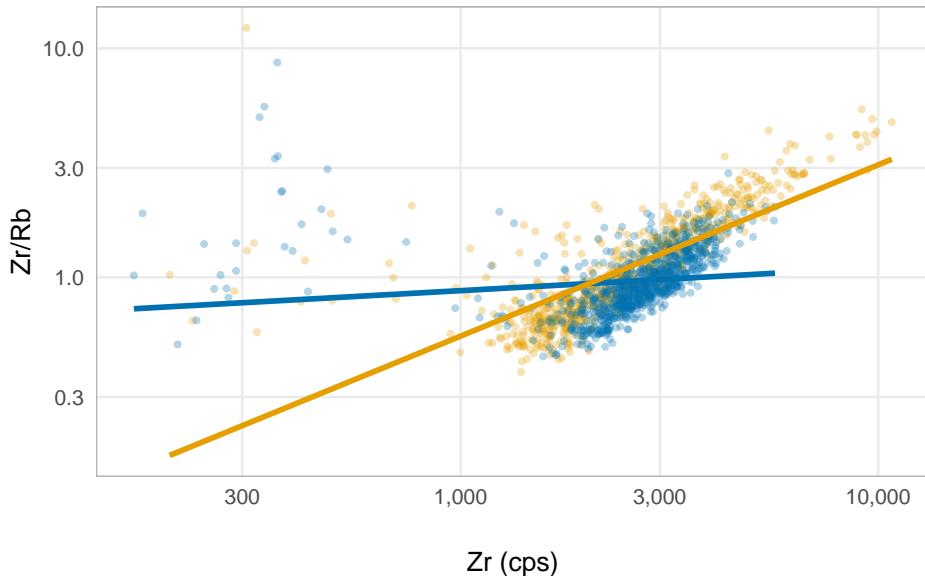
A) Ca/Ti is redundant with Ca

$r = 0.89$  (ratio provides no additional information)



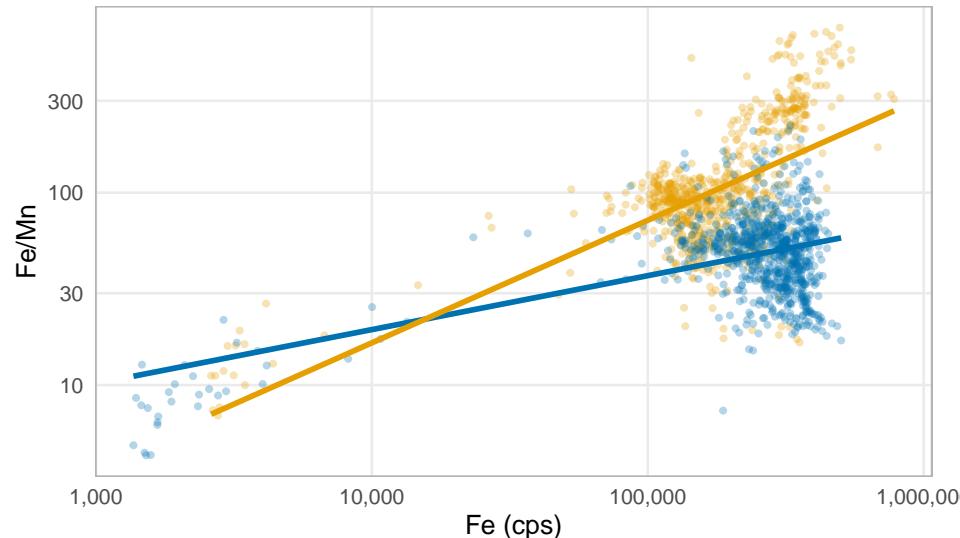
C) Zr/Rb adds information beyond Zr

$r = 0.60$  (Rb normalization improves grain size signal)



B) Fe/Mn adds information beyond Fe

$r = 0.25$  (Mn normalization differentiates signal)



D) Proxy redundancy summary

Ratios with  $|r| > 0.85$  vs numerator are redundant

