

1                   **Revision 1: Determination of the oxidation state of iron in Mid-Ocean Ridge**  
2                   **basalt glasses by Raman spectroscopy**

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12 **Abstract**

13 A series of synthetic Mid-Ocean Ridge Basalt (MORB) glasses with Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>TOT</sup> from 0 to 1,  
14 determined previously by Mössbauer spectroscopy, was used to test methods for quantifying  
15 Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>TOT</sup> by Raman spectroscopy. Six numerical data reduction methods were investigated,  
16 based on conventional approaches as well as supervised and unsupervised machine learning  
17 algorithms. For the set of glass standards, with fixed composition, the precision of all methods  
18 was  $\leq \pm 0.04$  (one standard deviation). However, Raman spectra recorded for 42 natural MORB  
19 glasses from a wide range of locations revealed a strong correlation between the Raman spectra  
20 and composition, despite the latter varying only over a relatively limited range, such that the  
21 methods calibrated using the glass standards are not directly applicable to the natural samples.  
22 This compositional effect can be corrected by using a compositional term that links spectral  
23 variations to Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>TOT</sup> of the glass. The resulting average Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>TOT</sup> determined by Raman  
24 spectroscopy was  $0.090 \pm 0.067$  (n=42). This value agrees with the latest Fe K-edge XANES  
25 and wet-chemistry estimates of  $0.10 \pm 0.02$ . The larger uncertainty of the Raman determination  
26 reflects the sensitivity of Raman spectroscopy to small changes in glass structure. While this  
27 sensitivity is detrimental for high precision Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>TOT</sup> determinations, it allows the major  
28 element composition of natural MORB glasses to be determined within 1 mol% through the  
29 use of a neural network. This suggests that Raman spectrometers may be used to determine the  
30 composition of samples *in situ* at difficult to access locations that are incompatible with X-ray  
31 spectrometry (e.g. Mid-Ocean Ridges). Raman spectroscopy may also be useful in detecting  
32 changes in the oxidation state of Fe in volcanic glasses where high spatial resolution is required  
33 (e.g., melt inclusions), and other compositional variation is not an issue.

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36 machine learning

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## 38 1. Introduction

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40 Mid-Ocean Ridge Basalts (MORB), derived from partial melting of the upper mantle, are  
41 central to our understanding of the geochemistry of the mantle and the formation of the oceanic  
42 crust (e.g. Langmuir et al. 1992; Asimow et al. 2004; O'Neill and Jenner 2012; Gale et al.  
43 2013) MORB glasses, formed by rapid cooling at the rim of pillow lavas, enable the  
44 composition of the melts to be determined (e.g., Jenner and O'Neill 2012), including volatile  
45 contents (Kendrick et al. 2013), and oxidation states (Christie et al. 1986; Bézos and Humler  
46 2005; Cottrell and Kelley 2011, 2013; Berry et al. 2018; Zhang et al. 2018; O'Neill et al. 2018).  
47 This, in turn, allows the intensive and extensive thermodynamic conditions of the mantle  
48 source to be calculated (e.g. Asimow et al. 2004). In particular, the oxidation state of Fe in  
49 MORB, expressed as  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  with  $\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}} = \text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{Fe}^{3+}$ , is important because it affects  
50 estimates of temperature, mineral assemblages, and the speciation of volatile elements, both  
51 during the production of the parental magmas in the mantle and their subsequent low-pressure  
52 evolution.

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54 The latest average  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values of natural MORB glasses from global sources have been  
55 determined to be  $0.10 \pm 0.02$  (Berry et al. 2018) and  $0.14 \pm 0.01$  (Zhang et al. 2018) by Fe K-  
56 edge XANES spectroscopy, and  $0.11 \pm 0.02$  by wet-chemistry (corrected for plagioclase  
57 phenocrysts, Bézos and Humler 2005). Wet chemistry is a destructive method that lacks spatial  
58 resolution and is unsuitable for inhomogeneous glasses or small samples such as melt  
59 inclusions (e.g., see Bézos and Humler 2005). Fe K-edge XANES spectroscopy has excellent  
60 precision and micron spatial resolution in two dimensions, but requires glass standards that  
61 are compositionally matched and for which  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  has been determined by another  
62 technique, such as  $^{57}\text{Fe}$  Mössbauer spectroscopy (e.g. Berry et al. 2008). There are also  
63 questions concerning possible photo-oxidation during analysis of hydrous glasses (e.g. Cottrell  
64 et al. 2018). A considerable drawback for routine analysis is that it requires access to a  
65 synchrotron light source.

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67 Raman spectroscopy is an alternative technique for determining  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  that is often readily  
68 accessible without delay, is non-destructive, has micron-scale spatial resolution, requires

69 minimal sample preparation, is easy to perform, and spectra can be acquired within minutes.  
70 Previous studies have shown how Raman spectroscopy can be used for quantifying the  
71 concentration of H<sub>2</sub>O (Thomas 2000; Zajacz et al. 2005; Behrens et al. 2006; Thomas et al.  
72 2008; Mercier et al. 2009, 2010; Le Losq et al. 2012) and CO<sub>2</sub> (Amalberti et al. 2012; Morizet  
73 et al. 2013) in glasses, with applications to pumices and melt inclusions (Shea et al. 2014;  
74 Métrich et al. 2016). The potential of Raman spectroscopy to determine Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>TOT</sup> in glasses  
75 has been demonstrated previously using various data treatment protocols (Magnien et al., 2004,  
76 2006, 2008; Roskosz et al., 2008; Di Muro et al., 2009; Di Genova et al., 2016). The simplest  
77 method requires correlating changes in Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>TOT</sup> with changes in the intensity of the Raman  
78 spectra at a given Raman shift (Magnien et al. 2006; Roskosz et al. 2008). A more complex  
79 method involves peak fitting the Raman signals assigned to stretching of tetrahedral SiO<sub>4</sub> and  
80 AlO<sub>4</sub> units in order to extract the Fe<sup>3+</sup>-O signal, which can be related to Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>TOT</sup> (Di Muro  
81 et al. 2009; Welsch et al. 2017). Recently, Di Genova et al. (2016) proposed another approach  
82 based on interpolation between two endmember spectra (*e.g.*, oxidized and reduced glasses of  
83 the same composition). These different studies focused on demonstrating the ability of Raman  
84 spectroscopy to quantify Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>TOT</sup> in glasses of known composition.

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86 Methods for quantifying Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>TOT</sup> of glasses from Raman spectra have relied on either simple  
87 treatments (*e.g.* the intensity of one or more peaks, mixing end-member spectra) or peak fitting.  
88 To our knowledge, machine learning algorithms, which remove subjectivity in the data  
89 reduction protocol, have not yet been tested. Here we compare existing data reduction methods  
90 (*conventional methods*), based on spectral intensity variations and mixing of spectra, with new  
91 supervised and unsupervised machine learning approaches. We avoided the peak fitting  
92 procedure (*e.g.* Di Muro et al. 2009) because it is complex to perform and equivocal of  
93 interpretation (Welsch et al. 2017), and thus may not be suited to a routine protocol.  
94 Conventional methods and supervised machine learning require the Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>TOT</sup> values of the  
95 glass standards to be known. Unsupervised machine learning methods, however, do not require  
96 prior knowledge of Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>TOT</sup> of the standards, such that they offer an independent way of  
97 determining Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>TOT</sup> for comparison with the results of other techniques. Those methods  
98 were assessed for a set of 13 synthetic glasses with a typical but simplified MORB composition  
99 and known Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>TOT</sup> (Berry et al. 2018). Following the proof of concept, the methods were  
100 used to determine Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>TOT</sup> of a representative set of 42 natural MORB glasses from the  
101 Atlantic, Indian and Pacific oceans, with known major and trace elements compositions

102 (Melson et al. 2002; Jenner and O'Neill 2012; Kendrick et al. 2013) and Fe K-edge XANES  
103  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values (Berry et al. 2018).

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## 106 **2. Material and Methods**

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### 108 *2.1 Starting Glasses*

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110 The MORB standards were prepared from mixtures of reagent grade  $\text{SiO}_2$  (52.0 wt%),  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$   
111 (16.1 wt%),  $\text{CaCO}_3 = \text{CaO}$  (12.4 wt%),  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 = \text{FeO}$  (10.0 wt%),  $\text{MgO}$  (8.2 wt%) and  $\text{TiO}_2$   
112 (1.3 wt%) that were equilibrated at 1400 °C and values of  $\log f\text{O}_2$  between 0 and -11 (-4.7 and  
113 6.3 in log units relative to the quartz-fayalite-magnetite, QFM, buffer) for ~ 24 h before  
114 quenching in water. A sample was also prepared at  $\log f\text{O}_2 = 4.8$  (QFM + 11.2) using a piston-  
115 cylinder apparatus. The  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  ratio of each glass was determined by Mössbauer  
116 spectroscopy, and found to vary from ~ 0 to 1 (Table 1). For further details see Berry et al.  
117 (2018).

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119 Samples of natural MORB glass were obtained from the Department of Mineral Sciences,  
120 Smithsonian Institution, as polished chips mounted in epoxy resin and are listed by MNNH  
121 catalogue numbers in Supplementary Table 1. The sample details and major element  
122 composition are given in Melson et al. (2002), their trace element composition in Jenner and  
123 O'Neill (2012), and their  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values determined by Fe K-edge XANES spectroscopy in  
124 Berry et al. (2018). From the set analysed by Berry et al. (2018), the Raman spectra of five  
125 glasses (NMNH No. 111235-85, 115083-41, 113828-5, 111241-1, 111237-67) were  
126 contaminated by contributions from crystals (see supplementary code) and were not considered  
127 during the data reduction. Five samples studied previously by Kendrick et al. (2013) from Juan  
128 de Fuca (Alv 2262-8 and Alv 2269-2), the East Pacific Rise Clipperton (CL DR01) and Mid-  
129 Atlantic Ridge MAPCO (CH98 DR08 and CH98 DR11) were also analysed as polished  
130 sections in epoxy resin.

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### 132 *2.2 Raman Spectra Acquisition*

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134 Raman spectra of glasses were recorded using a Renishaw inVia™ spectrometer, equipped  
135 with a Peltier-cooled detector, a 2400 l/mm grating and a confocal system. Samples were

136 excited using a 532 nm laser line focused  $\sim 3 \mu\text{m}$  below the surface using a x100 Leica  
137 objective. The laser power on the sample was  $\sim 1.2 \text{ mW}$ . The spatial resolution was  $< 1 \mu\text{m}$ ,  
138 and the spectral resolution  $\sim 1.2 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Five spectra were recorded from different points for each  
139 sample. They were treated separately during the data reduction process. The acquisition time  
140 varied between 120 and 180 s. For water-bearing natural MORB samples, oxidation of Fe by  
141 the laser has been reported at high laser power (Di Genova et al. 2017). The combination of a  
142 laser power less than 5 mW (Di Genova et al. 2017) with a relatively short counting time of  
143 120 s, and the analysis at five different spots, was used to prevent Fe oxidation during spectral  
144 acquisition. We checked this by recording Raman maps for six samples, by acquiring 120  
145 spectra with an acquisition time of 1 s over an area of  $10 \mu\text{m}$  by  $12 \mu\text{m}$ . During the acquisition  
146 of these maps, the sample was continuously moved, such that the beam spent less than 1 s at a  
147 given location. The individual spectra were noisy, but their average produced a spectrum with  
148 a signal to noise ratio similar to that of a spectrum acquired in 120 s at a single point. No  
149 difference was observed between spectra obtained in these two ways, indicating that no  
150 variation of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  was induced during the acquisition.

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152 To investigate differences in spectrometer, laser wavelength, and signal-to-noise ratio (S/N),  
153 as would be expected between laboratories, spectra were also acquired using a T64000 Jobin-  
154 Yvon<sup>®</sup> Raman triple spectrometer equipped with a confocal system, a nitrogen-cooled 1024  
155 CCD detector, and a 488 nm Coherent<sup>®</sup> 70-C5 Ar<sup>+</sup> laser operating at 1.8 W. A 1/100 filter was  
156 inserted in the laser pathway to ensure that laser power on the sample was less than 2 mW and  
157 a 100x Olympus<sup>®</sup> objective was used for analysis. This setup allows a spatial resolution  $< 1$   
158  $\mu\text{m}$ , and a spectral resolution of  $\sim 0.7 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Acquisition time was tuned to deteriorate the S/N  
159 such that, with this setup, the average S/N in the 800-1300  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  portion of the spectra was  $\sim 20$ ,  
160 compared to over 60 for the inVia<sup>™</sup> Renishaw system.

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### 162 *2.3 Data pre-processing*

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164 The spectra (Fig. 1) were pre-processed in Python using the Rampy library (Le Losq, 2018).  
165 The data were corrected for temperature and excitation line effects following Galeener and Sen  
166 (1978). We focused the data reduction methods on the 800-1300  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  region of the spectra,  
167 which contains signals from Si-O, Al-O and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ -O stretching in the glass structure (Brawer  
168 and White 1975, 1977; Virgo et al. 1980; Mysen et al. 1982; Virgo et al. 1982). This region

169 also avoided signals due to nanolites ( $< 800 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ), which were observed in the spectra of some  
170 of the natural glasses (see supplementary materials). We chose to fit a linear baseline to subtract  
171 the background (Fig. 2A), with the aim of having only Si-O, Al-O and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ -O stretching signals  
172 in the background-corrected spectra that will be used for  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  determination. The low  
173 and high frequency anchors of the linear baseline were determined using a grid-search  
174 algorithm as those resulting in the lowest root mean square error (RMSE) between the  
175 Mössbauer  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values and those predicted by the *intensity* and *mixing* methods  
176 described in sections 2.4.1 and 2.4.2. This resulted in the subtraction of a linear baseline  
177 interpolated between the intensities at 850 and 1140  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (Fig. 2A). The baseline corrected  
178 spectra were smoothed using a Whittaker function to maximize the signal to noise ratio (Eilers  
179 2003; see supplementary code for an example), and then the intensity normalised to vary  
180 between 0 and 1 (Fig 2B). The spectra resulting from this arbitrary baseline correction cannot  
181 be used to infer the glass structure. However, the correction provides a simple method for  
182 isolating variations in the Raman signals related to changes in Fe oxidation state (Fig 2B).  
183 Furthermore, the arbitrary baseline correction was found to be beneficial because it avoids the  
184 introduction of random errors associated with variations in the real spectral background when  
185 the sample signal is low (e.g. near 1250  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ).

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## 187 *2.4 Determining the oxidation state of iron by Raman spectroscopy*

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189 In this study, six different methods were evaluated for determining the oxidation state of Fe in  
190 the suite of MORB glass standards (Table 1) from the background subtracted 850-1140  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   
191 region of the Raman spectra (Fig. 2B). The idea is to relate, for a set of glass standards with  
192 fixed major element composition, changes in the Raman spectra to changes in  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$ . The  
193 six methods investigated are described below.

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### 195 *2.4.1 Intensity method*

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197 The intensity of the Raman spectra between 850 and 1140  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  varies systematically with  
198  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  in the glass standards (Figs. 1, 2B). In particular, the intensity at 930  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  varies  
199 strongly with  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$ . This feature has contributions from  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ -O (Virgo et al. 1982;  
200 Magnien et al. 2006; Di Muro et al. 2009), and thus should be ideal for determining  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$ .  
201 Two methods were tested to quantify the intensity at 930  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : direct measurement at fixed  
202 frequency (the average of values between 929 and 931  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) and peak fitting the 850-1140  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

203 <sup>1</sup> spectral envelop with arbitrary Gaussian components. Direct measurements of the intensity  
204 at 930 cm<sup>-1</sup> (hereafter abbreviated I<sub>930</sub>) provided the better precision and this approach was  
205 used.

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#### 207 *2.4.2 Mixing method*

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209 The *Mixing* method is based on the bilinear model that describes the matrix dataset  $D_{n,m}$ , of  
210 dimension  $n$  spectra times  $m$  features (i.e. Raman shifts), as:

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$$212 \quad D_{n,m} = F_{n,k} \cdot S_{k,m} + \varepsilon_{n,m}, \quad (1)$$

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214 where  $F_{n,k}$  is the matrix of component fractions,  $S_{k,m}$  the matrix of partial spectral components  
215 (endmember spectra),  $k$  the number of components and  $\varepsilon_{n,m}$  a noise term. In the present case,  
216  $k = 2$  (reduced and oxidised endmembers), as verified by a principal component analysis of the  
217 13 standards, which revealed that two components account for more than 99.8% of the variance  
218 in the data. Using the notation  $S_{OX}$  and  $S_{RED}$  to designate the oxidised ( $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT} = 1$ ) and  
219 reduced ( $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT} = 0$ ) Raman spectral components, and  $F_{OX}$  as the fraction of  $S_{OX}$ , eq. (1)  
220 can be re-arrange as:

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$$222 \quad D_{n,m} = F_{OX} \cdot S_{OX} + (1 - F_{OX}) \cdot S_{RED}. \quad (2)$$

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224 We used least absolute regression (LAD) to determine  $F_{OX}$ , because LAD is more robust than  
225 least squares with respect to outliers or non-Gaussian distributions (Tarantola 2005). The  
226 optimised  $F_{OX}$  values can then be related to the glass  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  values (Di Genova et al.,  
227 2016).

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#### 229 *2.4.3 Alternative Least Square Multivariate Curve Resolution (ALS MCR)*

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231 Solving eq. (1) usually requires either  $F_{n,k}$  or  $S_{k,m}$ . For example,  $F_{n,k}$  are obtained from  $S_{k,m}$   
232 in the *Mixing* method (sec. 2.4.2). However, several techniques allow both  $F_{n,k}$  and  $S_{k,m}$  to be  
233 estimated from  $D_{n,m}$ , including independent component analysis (e.g. Hyvärinen et al. 2001),  
234 non-negative matrix factorisation (e.g. Lin 2007), iterative optimisation (e.g. Zakaznova-  
235 Herzog et al. 2007), and self-modelling curve resolution (Jiang et al. 2004; de Juan and Tauler

236 2006), also known as multivariate curve resolution. As they do not require prior knowledge of  
237 neither  $F_{n,k}$  nor  $S_{k,m}$  (see eq. 1), those methods belong to the class of unsupervised machine  
238 learning algorithms. For the present dataset of spectra, several conditions need to be satisfied:  
239 (i)  $F_{n,k} \in [0,1]$ ; (ii)  $F_{n,1} = 1 - F_{n,2}$ ; and (iii)  $S_{k,m} \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Of the available methods, multivariate  
240 curve resolution can help solve the present problem with respecting those conditions.

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242 In this study, the *ALS MCR* method was used to iteratively optimise  $F_{n,k}$  and  $S_{k,m}$ . The PyMCR  
243 python library was used, starting the algorithm with estimations of  $S_{k,m}$  obtained from mean  
244 spectra in our spectral dataset. The algorithm was allowed to perform 50 iterations. After  
245 convergence, usually achieved in only a few iterations, optimised  $F_{n,k}$  and  $S_{k,m}$  matrices are  
246 available for the investigated dataset. The spectral endmembers stored in the optimised  $S_{k,m}$   
247 matrix (i.e. optimised  $F_{\text{OX}}$  and  $F_{\text{RED}}$ ) can then be used with the *Mixing* method for new samples.

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249 Convergence of the *ALS MCR* algorithm is inherently dependent on the starting conditions (e.g.  
250 Valderrama et al. 2016). The effects of the range of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values included in  $D_{n,m}$ , and  
251 the starting  $S_{k,m}$  components, were tested using iterative protocols. The  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  dataset  
252 range can be represented by two variables: (i)  $\Delta \text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of  $D_{n,m}$ , which represents the  
253 difference in  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  between the most reduced and the most oxidized samples in the  
254 dataset; and (ii) mean  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of  $D_{n,m}$ , which is the mean value of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  for the dataset.

255 Similarly, variations in the initial  $S_{k,m}$  components are represented using two parameters: (i)  $\Delta$   
256  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of  $S_{k,m}$  represents the difference in  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  between the two initial  $S_{k,m}$   
257 components; and (ii) mean  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of  $S_{k,m}$ , which is the average  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of the two initial  
258  $S_{k,m}$  components.

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260 To determine how the root-mean-square deviations between the estimated and nominal  
261  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values of the standard vary with  $\Delta \text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  and mean  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of  $D_{n,m}$ , and  $\Delta$   
262  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  and mean  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of  $S_{k,m}$ , these values were varied by iteration, such that  
263 different subsets of  $D_{n,m}$  and  $S_{k,m}$  were generated. These subsets were provided to the *ALS*  
264 *MCR* algorithm to calculate optimised  $S_{k,m}$  and  $D_{n,m}$  matrices. These optimised matrices were  
265 then used to determine  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  for the entire  $D_{n,m}$  and  $S_{k,m}$  datasets.

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267 *2.4.4 Neural Networks, Kernel Ridge and Support Vector regressions*



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269 The three other techniques that were investigated used the supervised machine learning  
270 regression algorithms *Neural Networks*, *Kernel Ridge*, and *Support Vector* from the Scikit  
271 Learn library (Pedregosa et al. 2011). An interface for using these algorithms with Raman data  
272 was implemented in the Rampy library (Le Losq 2018) through the class *mlregressor* (see the  
273 Jupyter notebook in the supplementary materials as well as the *rampy.mlregressor* help). The  
274 machine learning algorithms require the data to be divided into two subsets: a *training subset*  
275 to train the different algorithms, and a *testing subset* that are treated as unknowns to evaluate  
276 the predictive error of the algorithms. The train-test split was performed by randomly sorting  
277 the dataset according to their  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values (function *chemical\_splitting* from the rampy  
278 library). The testing data subset was  $\sim 38\%$  of the total dataset.

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280 The *Neural Network* technique uses a network of activation units, which are Rectifier functions  
281 [ $y = \max(0, x)$ ] (Glorot et al. 2011) in the present study, to map the relationship between the  
282 Raman spectra and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values of the glasses (see description in Bengio 2009 and  
283 references therein). The activation units have adjustable parameters, called weights and biases,  
284 that are optimised by least square regression. This method makes no assumptions about the  
285 linearity of variations in the Raman spectra with  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$ . The network was optimised by  
286 testing different architectures to minimize the training and testing errors, and to keep those two  
287 values as close as possible to each other. A simple architecture with three activation units in a  
288 single hidden layer provided the most robust fits. Adding more activations units or layers did  
289 not decrease the error metrics of the network, and hence this simple architecture was used. The  
290 Limited-memory Broyden-Fletcher-Goldfarb-Shanno (*lbfgs*) solver was chosen, as it performs  
291 better than others for the present small dataset. Bagging, which consists of training multiple  
292 networks and returning the average of their outputs (Breiman and Breiman 1996), was  
293 performed to avoid over-fitting and to promote the ability of the network to predict new values.  
294 A total of 100 networks were trained, and the results represent the average output of these 100  
295 networks.

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297 The *Kernel Ridge* and *Support Vector* techniques regress the data after their projection in a  
298 high-dimensionality space. This projection was done using a non-linear radial basis kernel  
299 function, such that the Raman intensity can non-linearly depend on  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$ . The difference  
300 between the *Kernel Ridge* and *Support Vector* regressions lies in the use of different loss  
301 functions: *Kernel Ridge* regression uses a penalized ( $l_2$  normalisation) residual of the sum of

302 squares, whereas *Support Vector* regression uses a  $\epsilon$ -insensitive loss function ( $\epsilon$  is a deviation  
303 term in the loss function, i.e. the predictions are allowed to be as far from the calibration data  
304 as  $\epsilon$ ). More information on these algorithms is available in Murphy (2012), Smola and  
305 Schölkopf (2004) and Vapnik (1999). The hyper-parameters of the *Kernel Ridge* and *Support*  
306 *Vector* algorithms were automatically tuned by performing a random 5-fold cross-validation  
307 on the training dataset.

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309 A Jupyter notebook running under the Python language, together with all the spectra, are  
310 provided as supplementary materials to enable the results of this study, and the figures, to be  
311 reproduced.

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### 313 **3. Results**

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#### 315 *3.1 Raman spectra of MORB glass standards*

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317 The Raman spectra of the MORB glass standards exhibit peaks and shoulders at  $\sim 505, 570,$   
318  $660, 735, 804, 930$  and  $1005 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (A to G markers in Fig. 1), with intensities that depend on  
319  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$ . The intensities of the A, B, C and D Raman signals decrease with decreasing  
320  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  (Fig. 1, Table 1), whereas those of E and G increase (Figs. 1, 2B). The intensity of  
321 F relative to that of G decreases with decreasing  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  (Fig. 2B).

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323 The changes in the Raman spectra of the glasses following changes in  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  reflect  
324 changes in (i) the  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  contribution to the Raman signals, and (ii) the overall glass structure as  
325  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  and  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  have different roles. The signals in the  $810\text{-}1300 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  region of the Raman  
326 spectra of MORB glasses can be assigned to symmetric and asymmetric stretching of  $Q^n \text{SiO}_4\text{-}$   
327  $\text{AlO}_4$  units, where  $n$  is the number of bridging oxygens (Brawer and White 1975, 1977;  
328 Furukawa and White 1980; Furukawa et al. 1981; Mysen et al. 1982; McMillan 1984; Mysen  
329 1990; Neuville and Mysen 1996; Neuville et al. 2004; Neuville 2006; Neuville et al. 2008; Le  
330 Losq and Neuville 2013; Le Losq et al. 2014). The intensity at F is assigned to the combination  
331 of signals from  $\text{Fe}^{3+}\text{-O}$  stretching in the glass network (Virgo et al. 1982; Wang et al. 1995;  
332 Magnien et al. 2004, 2006, 2008; Di Muro et al. 2009; Cochain et al. 2012) and Si-O stretching  
333 in  $Q^2$  units (Virgo et al. 1980; Mysen et al. 1982; McMillan 1984). This assignment agrees  
334 with (i) the decrease in the relative intensity of F with reduction of Fe (Figs. 1, 2B) and (ii) the

335 presence of F as a shoulder in the spectra of the most reduced samples (Figs. 1, 2B). The peak  
336 near  $1005\text{ cm}^{-1}$  mainly comprises contributions from Si-O and Al-O stretching in  $Q^3$  units. This  
337 signal usually occurs near  $1100\text{ cm}^{-1}$  in Al-free silicate glasses (e.g. Mysen et al. 1982;  
338 McMillan 1984) but shifts to lower frequencies in aluminosilicate glasses (Neuvillle and Mysen  
339 1996; Mysen et al. 2003; Le Losq and Neuvillle 2013). This assignment is consistent with the  
340 composition of MORB glasses; with NBO/T values ranging from  $\sim 0.5$  to  $\sim 1.0$  (see Chapter  
341 17 in Mysen and Richet 2005), they are expected to be enriched in  $Q^3$  units and to contain  
342 minor fractions of  $Q^2$  and  $Q^4$  (e.g. Maekawa et al. 1991).

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### 344 *3.2 Raman spectroscopy as a tool for determining $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$ of MORB glasses*

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#### 346 *3.2.1 The Intensity method*

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348  $I_{930}$  in the Raman spectra of the synthetic MORB glasses is linearly correlated with  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$   
349 (Fig. 3), with a correlation coefficient of 0.9973. It is thus possible to determine  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  of  
350 a glass from the  $I_{930}$  scaled Raman intensity using the equation:

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$$352 \quad Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT} = 4.084(38) \times I_{930} - 2.779(29) . \quad (3)$$

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354 The root-mean-square deviation between the  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  values of the standards and those  
355 calculated with eq. 3 is 0.02 ( $1\sigma$ ).

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#### 357 *3.2.2 The Mixing method*

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359 Following a protocol similar to that described by Di Genova et al. (2016), we used the spectra  
360 of the most oxidized and reduced glasses ( $\log fO_2 = 4.8$  and  $-11.0$ , Table 1) as endmembers.  
361 Then,  $F_{OX}$  was adjusted by least absolute regression to obtain mixed spectra that matched the  
362 observed ones (Fig. 4A).  $F_{OX}$  is linearly proportional to  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  (Fig. 4B) with a correlation  
363 coefficient of 0.9974. This result differs from the finding of Di Genova et al. (2016), who  
364 reported non-linear variations of  $F_{OX}$  with  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  for rhyolitic and basaltic glasses. This  
365 may be due to the fact that these authors did not use endmember spectra with  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT} = 0$   
366 and 1, but of intermediate values. In the present case,  $F_{OX}$  and  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  are related by:

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368 
$$\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}} = 1.02(1) \times F_{\text{OX}} - 0.003(4) . \quad (4)$$

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370  $F_{\text{OX}}$  directly gives  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of MORB glasses to within 0.03 ( $1\sigma$ ).

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### 372 3.2.3 The ALS MCR method

373

374 For a set of glasses with unknown but varying  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values, *ALS MCR* can determine the  
375 endmember spectra (i.e. spectra corresponding to  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}} = 0$  and 1), and hence,  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$   
376 for any MORB glass by linear combination fitting.

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378 Figure 5 presents the results obtained from tests performed to evaluate the sensitivity of *ALS*  
379 *MCR* to the starting conditions (see sec. 2.4.3). The best results were obtained when the dataset  
380 covered the largest possible range of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values, i.e. when  $\Delta \text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of  $D_{n,m} \rightarrow 1$   
381 and mean  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of  $D_{n,m} \rightarrow \sim 0.4 - 0.5$  (Fig. 5A).  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  root-mean-square deviations  
382  $< 0.06$  were achieved using datasets with  $\Delta \text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of  $D \geq 0.75$  and mean  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of  $D$   
383  $\in [0.35, 0.55]$ . The choice of the initial  $S_{k,m}$  affects the accuracy of the *ALS MCR* method in a  
384 less extent than the choice of the initial  $D_{n,m}$  (Fig. 5B).  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  root-mean-square deviations  
385  $< 0.03$  were obtained for initial  $S_{k,m}$  with mean  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}} \in [0.4, 0.6]$  and  $\Delta \text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}} \in$   
386  $[0.1, 0.6]$ .

387

388 The *ALS MCR* method was tested further by optimising  $S_{k,m}$  using the full dataset  $D_{n,m}$ . From  
389 Figure 5B, initial  $S$  components with  $\Delta \text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  and mean  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of  $\sim 0.5$  and  $0.4$ ,  
390 respectively, should provide the best results. Thus, the mean spectra at  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}} = 0.66$  and  
391  $0.25$  were selected as initial  $S_{k,m}$  components. Selecting mean spectra with  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}} = 0$  and  
392  $1$  does not significantly change the results, but the present choice allows the effects of  
393 differences in the initial and optimised  $S_{k,m}$  components to be illustrated, as shown in Figure  
394 6A. The optimised  $S_{k,m}$  spectra are clearly different from their initial values, demonstrating the  
395 ability of *ALS MCR* to identify the true  $S_{k,m}$  endmembers. The optimised  $S_{k,m}$  produce good  
396 fits to the observed spectra (Fig. 6B). The fraction of the oxidised endmember,  $C_{\text{OX}}$ , is linearly  
397 related to the  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of the glass by (Fig. 6C):

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399 
$$\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}} = 1.07(1) \times C_{\text{OX}} - 0.035(5) . \quad (5)$$

400

401 Contrary to  $F_{OX}$ ,  $C_{OX}$  is not directly equal to  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$ . This is because of small differences  
402 between the optimised  $S_{k,m}$  endmembers and the mean Raman spectra at  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT} = 0$  and 1  
403 (residuals shown in Fig. 6A). These differences introduce a bias, such that using  $C_{OX}$  as a direct  
404 estimate of  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  leads to slightly ( $\sim 0.02$ ) under- and over-estimations of  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$ ,  
405 depending on the  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  value. Because of this, the root-mean-square deviation between  
406 the Raman-determined and standard  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  values is  $\pm 0.04$  when assuming  $F_{OX} = C_{OX}$ .  
407 Slightly better results were obtained using eq. 5, which allows  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  of the glasses to be  
408 determined within  $\pm 0.03$  (Table 1).

409

#### 410 3.2.4 Neural Networks, Kernel Ridge and Support Vector regression methods

411

412 The *Neural Network*, *Kernel Ridge*, and *Support Vector* methods performed very well with  
413 both the training and testing datasets (Fig. 7), with root-mean-square deviations between the  
414 measured and predicted  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  values of  $\sim 0.01$ - $0.03$  (Table 1). For all methods, the root-  
415 mean-square deviations for the training dataset were slightly lower than that for the testing  
416 dataset, indicating that the machine-learning algorithms tended to slightly over-fit the training  
417 dataset. Over-fitting is not desirable because it indicates that the *generalisation* ability of the  
418 algorithms (i.e. their ability to predict values for new samples) may not be optimal. However,  
419 in the present case, the difference between the training and testing standard deviations is small  
420 ( $\leq 0.02$ ), and the over-fitting is considered to be negligible. Therefore, these algorithms can be  
421 used to predict  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  of MORB glasses with an error  $\leq \pm 0.03$  ( $1\sigma$ ).

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#### 423 3.2.5 Is there a better method?

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425 The root-mean-square deviations between the  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  values determined by Mössbauer  
426 and Raman spectroscopy are  $< 0.04$  for all six methods. The *Intensity* and *Mixing* methods are  
427 as accurate and precise as those using machine learning (*ALS MCR*, *Neural Network*, *Kernel*  
428 *Ridge* and *Support Vector*; Table 1).

429

430 The choice of method depends on the aims of the study and the dataset. If a single data  
431 reduction method was to be chosen, the simplicity of the *Intensity* and *Mixing* methods makes  
432 these appealing. If  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  of the standards are unknown, the *ALS MCR* method may allow

433  $S_{k,m}$  components to be extracted and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  to be determined, if the dataset covers a large  
434 range of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values (Fig. 5). The *Intensity*, *Mixing* and *ALS MCR* methods all rely on  
435 linear variations between Raman signals and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of the glasses. In contrast, the *Neural*  
436 *Network*, *Kernel Ridge*, and *Support Vector* methods do not assume linearity and do not require  
437 the mathematical form of the variations to be known.

438

439 Ultimately, we recommend the use of multiple data reduction methods, as undertaken here,  
440 to test the consistency of results. This is desirable because each data reduction protocol may be  
441 differently sensitive to how differences in composition affect the Raman spectra (Fig. 2B).  
442 Therefore, following a Bayesian approach, the average of the results from all the methods  
443 should be more robust than any single estimate (e.g. Perrone 1993). In the present case, such  
444 an approach is easy to implement because all the methods presented in this study are simple to  
445 setup and cheap in terms of computing resources. Averaging the results of the six models to  
446 determine  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of the glasses from their Raman spectra resulted in a root-mean-square  
447 deviation of 0.02 ( $1\sigma$ ).

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### 449 3.2.6 Application to natural MORB glasses

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451 The baseline subtracted and normalised Raman spectra of natural MORB glasses are shown in  
452 Figure 8A (see supplementary Jupyter Notebook for full spectra). While the spectra are similar  
453 to that of the glass standard with  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}} = 0.106$ , non-negligible differences are apparent  
454 (Fig. 8A).  $I_{930}$  varies between 0.66 and 0.76, and is correlated with the concentration of MgO  
455 and CaO in the glass (Pearson correlation coefficient = 0.73, Fig. 8B). For the glass standards,  
456 a difference of  $\sim 0.10$  in  $I_{930}$  corresponds to a difference in  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of  $\sim 0.40$  (Fig. 3). For  
457 these spectra, the six methods described give an average  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of 0.15 with a large  
458 standard deviation of 0.11.

459

460 It is possible to refine this estimate by including a compositional term in the expressions  
461 relating Raman features to  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$ . We focused on the *Intensity method* and expressed  $I_{930}$   
462 as:

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$$464 I_{930} = (K0 + K1 \times \text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}) + K2 \times X, \quad (6)$$

465

466 where X is a parameter reflecting the chemistry of the samples, and K0, K1 and K2 constants.  
467 X could be chosen as either [MgO+CaO] or the number of non-bridging oxygens per  
468 tetrahedral unit (NBO/T) in the glass. Increasing [MgO + CaO] favours the formation of non-  
469 bridging oxygens and thus of depolymerised  $Q^2$  units in basaltic glasses, which give signals  
470 near  $950\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (e.g. Mysen et al. 1982). This is consistent with the positive trend observed  
471 between  $I_{930}$  and [MgO + CaO] (Fig. 8B). However, while NBO/T parameterises the general  
472 effect of differences in the fraction of network formers (e.g. Si, Al) and network modifiers (e.g.  
473 Na, K, Ca, Mg) on the glass structure, it does not consider the effect of the ionic properties of  
474 network modifiers on the distribution of  $Q^n$  units, which contribute to the Raman intensity  
475 between  $850$  and  $1140\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . For example, at a constant NBO/T of 0.5 for alkali silicate glasses,  
476 the fractions of  $Q^4$  and  $Q^2$  increase at the expense of  $Q^3$  as the ionic field strength ( $Z/r^2$ , where  
477 Z is the electric charge and  $r$  the ionic radius) of the alkali metal cation increases (Maekawa et  
478 al. 1991). The ionic field strength of metal cations also influences other structural properties of  
479 silicate glasses and melts, including the fraction of highly-coordinated Al, excess NBO, and  
480 Si-Al disorder (see Le Losq et al. 2019 for a review). As a result, to describe changes in the  
481 Raman spectra due to variations in the sample composition, we used the mean ionic field  
482 strength (IFS) of network modifiers (M), IFS(M), as the X parameter in eq. (6):

483

$$484 \text{ IFS}(M) = 2x_{Na_2O} \times \text{IFS}(Na^+) + 2x_{K_2O} \times \text{IFS}(K^+) + x_{CaO} \times \text{IFS}(Ca^{2+}) + x_{MgO} \times$$
$$485 \text{ IFS}(Mg^{2+}) + x_{FeO} \times \text{IFS}(Fe^{2+}), \quad (7)$$

486

487 where  $x_{M_{2/z}^{z+}O}$  are the mol fractions of the oxide components  $M_{2/z}^{z+}O$ , and IFS of a cation  $M^{z+}$  is  
488 calculated as  $Z/r^2$ . The  $r$  values were taken from Shannon (1976) for coordination numbers  
489 (CN) of 6. For simplicity, we do not consider variations in CN since these are likely to be  
490 negligible given the limited range of compositional variability in MORB. We also consider  
491 FeO as equal to total Fe because  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  of natural MORB is always low ( $\sim 0.1$ ) and constant  
492 (e.g. Berry et al. 2018; Zhang et al. 2018), such that any influence of Fe on the glass structure  
493 will come from variations in  $x_{FeO}$ .

494

495 The correlation between  $I_{930}$  and IFS(M) is linear for natural MORB glasses (Fig. 9). The  
496 ordinate at the origin of this trend corresponds to  $K0 + K1 \times Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$ , and its slope to K2.  
497 K1 is directly given by the linear trend between  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  and  $I_{930}$  (Fig. 3), and is equal to  
498  $0.2435(23)$ , while K2 equals  $0.00624(29)$ . It then is trivial to determine K0 as  $0.111(27)$ . Using

499 these parameters, it is possible to plot iso-redox curves of IFS(M) versus  $I_{930}$ , as shown in Fig.  
500 9. A visual inspection indicates that the natural samples have a mean  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  value  $\sim 0.1$ ,  
501 although there is significant scatter. Manipulating eq. (7) to extract  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values for  
502 natural MORB from K0, K1, K2 and  $I_{930}$  yields a mean  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of 0.090(67).

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### 504 3.2.7 Effect of acquisition conditions

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506 Applying the methods calibrated using the spectra acquired with the Renishaw system to the  
507 spectra acquired with the T64000 Jobin-Yvon® system (see section 2.2 for details about  
508 acquisition conditions and supplementary Jupyter notebook for data visualization) resulted in  
509 the standard deviation between the Mössbauer and Raman  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values increasing from  
510 0.02 to 0.08. Part of this increase in uncertainty can be assigned to the decrease in spectral S/N  
511 (from  $> 60$  to  $\sim 20$ ). However,  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values  $> 0.5$  appear to be under-estimated and have  
512 the largest effect on the average error. This may indicate that the Raman cross-sections of the  
513 Si-O and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ -O stretching modes change at different rates when varying the laser wavelength.  
514 The results may also be affected by different frequency responses of the different CCD  
515 detectors.

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517 Based on those observations, it is important to record spectra with high S/N ( $> 60$ ) to be able  
518 to have accurate predictions of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$ . Decreasing the S/N will lead to a progressive  
519 deterioration in the precision of the predicted  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values. If different spectrometers and  
520 laser wavelengths are used, the accuracy of any previously calibrated algorithms should be  
521 checked using standards.

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## 523 4. Discussion

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525 Both conventional methods (*Intensity, Mixing*) and machine learning algorithms (*ALS MCR,*  
526 *Kernel Ridge, Support Vector* and *Neural Network*) allow  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  to be determined from  
527 the Raman spectra of glasses, with fixed major element composition, with uncertainties  $< 0.04$   
528 (Table 1). The combination of all six methods gives a precision of 0.02. The *Intensity* and  
529 *Mixing* methods are simple and provide accurate results. The machine learning methods  
530 performed well despite being trained with a limited set of samples. The *ALS MCR* method may  
531 be useful if the  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values of the glass standards are unknown, or if endmember spectra  
532 are not available. *Kernel Ridge, Support Vector* and *Neural Network* regression algorithms



533 relate  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  of the glasses to variations in their Raman spectra without any assumptions  
534 about the form of the variations. Pooling the results from multiple data reduction protocols is  
535 recommended for maximizing the robustness of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  determinations for glasses with a  
536 fixed composition.

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538 The determination of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  in natural MORB glasses requires a correction for the effect  
539 of composition on the Raman spectra (Figs. 8B, 9, eq. 7). The corrected mean value of  
540  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}} = 0.090(67)$  is in agreement with the latest XANES and wet chemistry results  
541 (Bézos and Humler 2005; Berry et al. 2018; Zhang et al. 2018). In particular, this estimate is  
542 in close agreement with the XANES value of 0.10(1) reported by Berry et al. (2018) for the  
543 same set of samples, which suggests an average  $fO_2$  for MORB of 0.1 log units above the QFM  
544 redox buffer.

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546 Raman spectroscopy can thus provide reasonable estimates of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  in glasses, as long as  
547 the effect of glass chemistry is considered. High precision can be achieved for laboratory  
548 samples with constant chemical composition. However, the present results do not achieve the  
549 precision of Fe K-edge XANES, Mössbauer spectroscopy or wet chemistry for natural samples  
550 with variable chemical composition without the introduction of a compositional term.  
551 Compositional effects originating from variations in major element concentrations were  
552 corrected using eq. (6), but other factors that affect glass structure (and hence the Raman  
553 spectra), such as volatile content and quench rate, were not considered. The high standard  
554 deviation affecting the  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  estimate most probably reflects the occurrence of such  
555 effects. Further, while eq. (6) is valid for MORB glasses, it may not be suitable for determining  
556  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  in other compositions. However, with a set of appropriate standards, Raman  
557 spectroscopy could be used to quantify  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  in any composition. In all cases, the routine  
558 determination of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  in natural samples by Raman spectroscopy will be challenging due  
559 to the many variables that affect glass structure.

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## 561 **5. Implications**

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563 Machine learning techniques do not seem to be advantageous relative to conventional  
564 approaches for quantifying  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  in glasses with constant composition by Raman  
565 spectroscopy. However, their ease of implementation and flexibility (the problem can be non-  
566 linear) make them preferable to other user-defined techniques when the functional form of the

567 problem is unknown. In particular, the sensitivity of Raman spectra to glass structure can be  
568 used to determine glass composition. Di Genova et al. (2015; 2016) used the mixing method  
569 to determine the composition of natural glasses from Raman spectra. This required a post-  
570 analysis step in the data treatment as the mixing ratio of end-member spectra varied non-  
571 linearly with glass composition. In the present case, we trained a neural network to directly  
572 link the corrected 850-1140  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  Raman signals (Fig. 8A) to the measured concentrations of  
573 major elements in the natural MORB glasses (supplementary materials), without any additional  
574 data manipulation. The results from one of the trained neural networks are shown in Figure 10.  
575 The network was able to predict the chemistry of MORB glasses with errors  $< \sim 1$  mol%. This  
576 result suggests that Raman spectroscopy may be developed as a chemical probe. It also  
577 demonstrates the usefulness of neural networks for such calculations, as the algorithm directly  
578 provides the glass composition without intermediate data analysis steps. The approach could  
579 allow Raman spectroscopy to be used *in situ* to analyse pillow lavas with glassy rims at ocean  
580 ridges, by using submersibles equipped with Raman spectrometers already developed for deep  
581 sea water analysis (e.g. Brewer et al. 2004; White et al. 2005; Du et al. 2015). Raman  
582 spectrometers could also be used as a chemical probe in missions to planets or moons with  
583 dense atmospheres. The fact that all data processing performed in this study uses Python, a  
584 programming language that can be easily used in embedded systems would facilitate uptake.  
585 The present approach should be easy to implement for any system operating a portable Raman  
586 spectrometer.

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820 **Table 1:** Synthesis oxygen fugacity at 1400 °C, and relative to the quartz-fayalite-magnetite  
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 822 values determined by Mössbauer spectroscopy ( $\pm 0.01$ ), and by Raman spectroscopy using the  
 823 Intensity (Int.), Mixing (Mix.), ALS MCR (A.M.), Neural Networks (N.N.), Kernel Ridge  
 824 (K.R.) and Support Vector (S.V.) techniques. Root-mean-squared deviations (RMSD,  $1\sigma$ ) of  
 825 the different Raman methods are indicated at the bottom; \*calculated for the training data  
 826 subset;  $\phi$  calculated for the testing data subset.  
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log fO <sub>2</sub>	$\Delta$ QFM	Fe <sup>3+</sup> /Fe <sup>TOT</sup>						
		Mössbauer	Int.	Mix.	A.M.	N.N.	K.R.	S.V.
4.8	11.2	1.000	1.01	0.99	1.01	0.97	1.00	0.97
0.00	6.38	0.773	0.75	0.73	0.75	0.77	0.77	0.75
-1.00	5.40	0.661	0.66	0.63	0.65	0.66	0.66	0.66
-2.00	4.40	0.537	0.53	0.51	0.53	0.54	0.54	0.54
-3.07	3.32	0.414	0.43	0.42	0.43	0.43	0.42	0.44
-4.00	2.39	0.250	0.26	0.25	0.27	0.23	0.27	0.28
-5.00	1.39	0.167	0.16	0.15	0.16	0.14	0.16	0.17
-6.00	0.39	0.103	0.11	0.10	0.11	0.09	0.10	0.10
-7.00	-0.61	0.039	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.05	0.04	0.05
-8.00	-1.61	0.024	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.03	0.02
-9.00	-2.61	0.017	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.01
-10.00	-3.61	0.000	0.00	0.00	-0.01	0.02	0.01	-0.01
-11.00	-4.61	0.000	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01
		RMSD:	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.01*	0.01*	0.02*
						0.04 $\phi$	0.02 $\phi$	0.03 $\phi$

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830 **Figure 1:** Raman spectra of synthetic MORB basaltic glasses; the colors indicate  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$ .  
831 Each spectrum corresponds to the mean of five spectra acquired for each sample. The dashed  
832 lines labelled A-G mark the position of peaks and shoulders (see text).

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834 **Figure 2:** A) Example of the treatment of the 800-1300  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  sections of the Raman spectra that  
835 was performed prior to any calculation. The linear cut-off baseline (red dotted line) joins the  
836 sample signals at 850 and 1140  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Any intensity below this baseline was removed from the  
837 data. B) Intensity from 850-1140  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  after baseline subtraction. This background subtracted  
838 region of the spectra was normalised between 0 and 1.

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840 **Figure 3:** Normalised intensity at 930  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the Raman spectra of the glasses as a function  
841 of the oxidation state of Fe. The line is a linear fit to the data. If not visible, errors are smaller  
842 than the symbols.

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844 **Figure 4:** A) Comparison of the mean spectrum at  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}} = 0.41$  (black line) and the fit  
845 (dotted red line) as a linear combination of the oxidised ( $S_{\text{OX}}$ ) and reduced ( $S_{\text{RED}}$ ) spectra  
846 (*Mixing* method); residuals between the data and fit are shown in the bottom panel. B) Fraction  
847 of the oxidised endmember spectrum,  $F_{\text{OX}}$ , as a function of the oxidation state of Fe in the  
848 glasses. The line is a linear fit to the data. If not visible, errors are smaller than the symbols.

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850 **Figure 5:** Contour plots of the root-mean-square deviations (RMSD) between the measured  
851  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values and those predicted using the *ALS MCR* algorithm using (A) variable training  
852 subsets  $D_{n,m}$  and (B) different initial  $S_{k,m}$  spectra. In (A), RMSD  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  are represented  
853 against the mean and the range of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  values in the data subsets used to train the  
854 algorithm. In (B), they are represented against the mean and the range of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  between  
855 the two initial S spectra used to initiate the training. After training, RMSD  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}}$  were  
856 estimated on the entire dataset. Black points show where calculations were made; lines and  
857 colors were obtained by triangular interpolation.

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859 **Figure 6:** Results of the *ALS MCR* algorithm using the entire  $D_{n,m}$  dataset, with initial (init.)  
860  $S_{k,m}$  spectra at  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}} = 0.66$  and 0.25. A) Initial (init.) and optimised (opt.) oxidised ( $S_{\text{OX}}$ )  
861 and reduced ( $S_{\text{RED}}$ ) endmember spectra; residuals between the optimised  $S_{\text{OX}}$  and  $S_{\text{RED}}$   
862 components and the means of spectra recorded for samples with  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}} = 0$  and 1 are shown  
863 in the bottom panel. B) Comparison of the mean spectrum at  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{TOT}} = 0.41$  (black line) and

864 its fit (dotted red line) obtained by mixing the  $S_{OX}$  and  $S_{RED}$  endmembers; residual shown in the  
865 bottom panel. C) The fraction of the oxidised end-member,  $C_{OX}$ , against the  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  values  
866 determined by Mössbauer spectroscopy for the MORB glass standards. The line is a linear fit  
867 to the data. If not visible, errors are smaller than the symbols.

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869 **Figure 7:** Raman  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  against Mössbauer  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  values for the MORB glass  
870 standards. Raman values were obtained from the A) *Kernel Ridge*, B) *Support Vector*, and C)  
871 *Neural Network* algorithms. See Table 1 for root-mean-square deviations of each dataset. If  
872 not visible, errors are smaller than the symbols.

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874 **Figure 8:** A) Normalised baseline-subtracted Raman spectra of 42 natural MORB glasses (see  
875 Supplementary Materials). The red dotted line is the spectrum of the glass standard with  
876  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT} = 0.10(1)$ . B)  $I_{930}$  as a function of the concentration of MgO + CaO (wt%) in the  
877 glasses.

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879 **Figure 9:**  $I_{930}$  as a function of the mean ionic field strength of modifier cations, IFS(M) for  
880 natural MORB glasses (open symbols) and MORB standards (solid symbols). Dotted lines  
881 represent the values of the model (eq. 6, see text) that links  $I_{930}$  to IFS(M) and  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  in  
882 MORB glasses. The colors reflect the  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{TOT}$  ratio (see colorbar).

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884 **Figure 10:** Neural network predicted versus measured compositions of natural MORB glasses.  
885 The standard deviations between the measured and predicted values for each subset are given  
886 for each compositional component.

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