



## Supplement of

# Machine learning deciphers $\mathrm{CO}_2$ sequestration and subsurface flowpaths from stream chemistry

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#### Section 1 NMF Model

to delineate mixing proportions.

To employ NMF on limited datasets of stream chemistry, a bootstrapped data set was generated using a multivariate normal distribution of log-transformed stream water chemistries, similar to the procedure outlined in Lautz et al. (2014). The bootstrapped dataset matches the measured means of the log-transformed stream water chemistries and maintains covariation between analytes. A comparison between the measured and bootstrapped data sets can be seen

in Fig. S2. All of the input features were normalized to values between 0 and 1 to not bias the model training to any one input feature. Next, the model was trained to the bootstrapped dataset using NMF algorithms in the python library scikit-learn (Pedregosa et al., 2011). Lastly, the trained model was applied to measured stream water samples

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The model results are sensitive to the random initiation of the *H* matrix (i.e., endmember chemistries) used in the training. To produce a more robust decomposition, the starting *H* matrix was randomly initiated 20,000 times. For each stochastic iteration, we used NMF to calculate optimal *W* and *H* matrices (Eq 1) and then filtered out any models with proportions that did not add to  $1 \pm 0.05$ . Additionally, the fit of the model was evaluated from SSE:

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$$SSE = \sum_{m} \left( \left( \frac{[X_m]}{[SO_4^{2-j}]} \right)_n - \sum_p \alpha_p \left( \frac{[X_m]}{[SO_4^{2-j}]} \right)_p \right)^2,$$
 (S1)

Here, SSE is the sum of square errors, α<sub>p</sub> is the sulfate mixing proportion of endmember *p* derived from the model, *X* is the element "*m*" (i.e., Ca, Mg, Na, K, and Cl), and brackets denote concentration. The subscript "*n*" refers to measured concentrations at timepoint "*n*" in the stream. Using eq. S1, we filtered out additional models that yielded
poor fitting solutions following the procedure outlined in Torres et al. (2016). Here we define a reference SSE that is equal to the 5<sup>th</sup> percentile SSE for all the models for that sample and filtered out any models where the SSE was larger than the reference SSE. In other words, we kept only the 5<sup>th</sup> percentile of best fitting models for each sample. The remaining models were averaged and reported as the final result. Additionally, we calculate the standard deviation for the remaining samples to represent uncertainty in our modeling results and we propagate these errors
throughout our calculations. This average number of valid models per sample after all filters were applied was 44 for Shale Hills, 104 for East River, and 55 for Hubbard Brook.

#### **Section 2 Calculations**

#### **S2.1 Solute Fluxes**

30 The time-averaged flux of each species, *Flux*, was calculated using values for concentration and discharge following an equation adapted from Moatar et al. (2013):

$$Flux = \beta \frac{\sum_{n} [X]_{n} Q_{n}}{\sum_{n} Q_{n}} \bar{q} A^{-1},$$
(S2)

- Here, *Flux* has the units of mmol m<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>,  $[X]_n$  is the concentration of a weathering product in the stream (e.g., X = 35  $SO_4^{2-}$ ,  $Ca^{2+}$ ,  $Mg^{2+}$ ,  $Na^+$ ,  $K^+$ ,  $Cl^-$ ) at timepoint *n*,  $Q_n$  is the discharge measured at timepoint *n*,  $\bar{q}$  is the mean discharge over the period of record (i.e., sum of daily discharge measurements/number of daily discharge measurements), A is the basin area (Shale Hills =  $8.0 \times 10^4$  m<sup>2</sup>; East River =  $8.5 \times 10^7$  m<sup>2</sup>; Hubbard Brook =  $4.0 \times 10^5$  m<sup>2</sup> (W3),  $1.5 \times 10^5$  m<sup>2</sup> (W6),  $7.7 \times 10^5 \text{ m}^2$  (W7),  $6.1 \times 10^5 \text{ m}^2$  (W8),  $7.0 \times 10^5 \text{ m}^2$  (W9)), and  $\beta$  is a coefficient for unit conversions to mmol m<sup>-2</sup>  $yr^{-1}$  (i.e., 3.15 x10<sup>10</sup> l s m<sup>-3</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>) or to meq m<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup> (i.e., 3.15 x10<sup>10</sup> l s m<sup>-3</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup> multiplied by species charge 40

(meq/mmol)).

We calculate the uncertainty for our flux calculations by propagating errors in  $[X]_n$  from equation S2. For sulfate concentrations, we assume 5% error on the measured concentrations. Uncertainties in mixing proportions (i.e.,  $\alpha$ ) from the NMF model are utilized as uncertainties in the pyrite-derived and acid rain-derived sulfate

concentrations. Lastly, error in the total cation concentration is determined from the uncertainties in the NMF 45 modeled total cation concentrations. For Hubbard Brook, there are 5 sub-catchments that we use in analysis. Reported fluxes in Table 1 are the average of the sub-catchments.

#### S2.2 Using Stream Chemistry to Calculate CO<sub>2</sub> Drawdown or Release

50 Here we calculate the inferred CO<sub>2</sub> release or sequestration resulting from weathering as recorded in the sum of all base cation concentrations (meq/l) in each stream sample,  $[\Sigma^+]_{total}$ :

$$[\Sigma^+]_{total} = 2[Ca^{2+}]_{total} + 2[Mg^{2+}]_{total} + [Na^+]_{total} + [K^+]_{total},$$
(S3)

Here, we use the modeled base cation concentrations from NMF in eq. S3, and we use the uncertainty in the modeled 55 concentrations for the error in  $[\Sigma^+]_{total}$ . To calculate the inferred CO<sub>2</sub> release or sequestration resulting from weathering, we use the results of NMF, as described below, to identify the extents of 4 weathering reactions recorded in each stream sample: 1) CO<sub>2</sub>-driven weathering (CO<sub>2</sub>-weathering) of silicates, 2) H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>-driven weathering (H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>weathering) of silicates, 3) CO<sub>2</sub>-weathering of carbonates, and 4) H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>-weathering of carbonates. We note these four quantities respectively as 1)  $[\Sigma^+]_{carbonate-CO_2}$ ; 2) 60

 $[\Sigma^+]_{silicate-H_2SO_4}$ ; 3) $[\Sigma^+]_{silicate-CO_2}$ ; 4) $[\Sigma^+]_{carbonate-H_2SO_4}$ . These are the four unknowns we seek to calculate for SH and ER, as described below.

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Based on the high proton and low metal concentrations of the measured rain chemistry, the rain contributes negligibly to the base cation concentrations of the study streams; therefore, we apportioned all the base cations to weathering reactions. First, we note that the meq/l of cations derived from carbonate minerals,  $[\Sigma^+]_{carbonate}$ , equal  $[\Sigma^+]_{carbonate-CO_2} + [\Sigma^+]_{carbonate-H_2SO_4}$ . Likewise, the meq/l of cations derived from silicate minerals,  $[\Sigma^+]_{silicates}$  equal  $[\Sigma^+]_{silicate-H_2SO_4} + [\Sigma^+]_{silicate-CO_2}$ . The summation of silicate-cations  $([\Sigma^+]_{silicate})$  is the difference between the summation of total cations ( $[\Sigma^+]_{total}$ ) and that of carbonate-derived cations ( $[\Sigma^+]_{carbonate}$ ):

We use a few field observations to complete the calculations for SH and ER, as explained in the main text. First, carbonate minerals only dissolve in water flowing along the deep path because carbonates have been depleted from shallow depths. Second, although some chlorite dissolves into water flowing along the deep path, the release of Mg at depth is insignificant compared to Mg released from carbonate. So we ignore shallow dissolution of carbonates

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With these observations, we can write:

and deep dissolution of silicates in both SH and ER.

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$$[\Sigma^+]_{carbonate} = 2\alpha_{deep}[SO_4^{2^-}]_{total} \left( \left( \frac{[Ca^{2^+}]}{[SO_4^{2^-}]} \right)_{deep} + \left( \frac{[Mg^{2^+}]}{[SO_4^{2^-}]} \right)_{deep} \right), \tag{S5}$$

Here,  $\alpha_{deep}$  is the proportion determined through NMF of sulfate in a given water sample that was derived from reactions along the deep flowpath,  $[SO_4^{2-}]_{total}$  is the total concentration of sulfate in the stream water sample under consideration,  $([Ca^{2+}]/[SO_4^{2-}])_{deep}$  and  $([Mg^{2+}]/[SO_4^{2-}])_{deep}$  are the model-derived ratios of  $[Ca^{2+}]$  and  $[Mg^{2+}]$  to  $[SO_4^{2-}]$ , respectively, that characterize the deep flowpath endmember for that sample.

Remembering that Mg release from chlorite dissolution at depth is insignificant compared to Mg from carbonates, all of the generated sulfate in the deep weathering endmember is balanced by cations from dissolved carbonate minerals:

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$$[\Sigma^+]_{carbonate-H_2SO_4} = 4\alpha_{deep}[SO_4^{2-}]_{total},$$
(S6)

(We multiply the concentration of deep sulfate by 4 because 4 eq of cations are released per mol of sulfate, noting that  $[\Sigma^+]$  is in eq/L and  $[SO_4^{2-}]$  is in mol/L). Any carbonate-derived base cations that are in excess of what could have been produced by pyrite-derived sulfuric acid are attributed to CO<sub>2</sub>-weathering of carbonates:

$$[\Sigma^+]_{carbonate-CO_2} = [\Sigma^+]_{carbonate} - [\Sigma^+]_{carbonate-H_2SO_4},$$
(S7)

Remembering that no carbonates dissolve into water flowing along the shallow path, then similar arguments for the shallow flowpath yield:

$$[\Sigma^+]_{silicate-H_2SO_4} = 2\alpha_{shallow}[SO_4^{2-}]_{total},$$
(S8)

$$[\Sigma^+]_{silicate-CO_2} = [\Sigma^+]_{silicate} - [\Sigma^+]_{silicate-H_2SO_4},$$
(S9)

05 From these equations, values for the four unknowns can be calculated for SH and ER. A similar approach was taken for HB except that no carbonate minerals were present, and only two unknowns were determined ([Σ<sup>+</sup>]<sub>silicate-H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, [Σ<sup>+</sup>]<sub>silicate-CO<sub>2</sub></sub>).</sub>

With respect to the atmosphere considered over the long-term  $(10^5-10^6 \text{ yr})$ , H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>-weathering of silicates and CO<sub>2</sub>weathering of carbonates are CO<sub>2</sub> neutral, while CO<sub>2</sub>-weathering of silicates sequesters CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>-weathering of carbonates releases CO<sub>2</sub> (Fig. 1). As seen in Figure 1, per mole of CaSiO<sub>3</sub> or CaCO<sub>3</sub> weathered, CO<sub>2</sub>-weathering of silicates sequesters 1 mol of CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>-weathering of carbonates releases 0.5 moles of CO<sub>2</sub>. In terms of [ $\Sigma^+$ ]<sub>total</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>-weathering of silicates sequesters 0.5 moles of CO<sub>2</sub> per base cation equivalent released into solution and H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>weathering of carbonates releases 0.25 moles of CO<sub>2</sub> per base cation equivalent released into solution (Fig. 1;

15 Reactions 2, 3, 6, and 7). For a given water sample, the cation concentrations record the extent of dissolution of carbonate and silicates, as long as the contribution of these base cations from acid rain is minimal. (For simplicity, we do not correct  $[\Sigma^+]$  for rain chemistry but see SM Section 4). Therefore, the uptake or release of CO<sub>2</sub>,  $\Delta CO_2$ , can be calculated for any given stream water sample:

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$$\Delta CO_2 = 0.5 [\Sigma^+]_{silicate-CO_2} - 0.25 [\Sigma^+]_{carbonate-H_2SO_4}.$$
 (S10)

Using  $\Delta CO_2$ , we calculate the flux of CO<sub>2</sub> using the discharge measurements for each sample (see Fig. S4).

Next, we will derive κ<sub>stream</sub>, the modern CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration coefficient. In general, both κ<sub>stream</sub> and κ<sub>rock</sub> (see SM 2.3)
 are used as ways to note the extent that weathering in a watershed is sequestering or releasing CO<sub>2</sub>. κ<sub>stream</sub> is the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted or sequestered calculated from [Σ<sup>+</sup>]<sub>total</sub> as described above, normalized by [Σ<sup>+</sup>]<sub>total</sub>(meq/l):

$$\kappa_{stream} = -\frac{\Delta CO_2}{[\Sigma^+]_{total}},\tag{S11}$$

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The negative sign is used so that a negative  $\kappa_{stream}$  represents sequestration (uptake of CO<sub>2</sub>), and a positive  $\kappa_{stream}$  represents release. From eq. S11 it is apparent that the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted or sequestered equals the product,  $\kappa_{stream}$  [ $\Sigma^+$ ]<sub>total</sub>, with the appropriate sign. Total dissolved base cations in a stream draining a watershed with no carbonate nor pyrite are attributed here entirely as CO<sub>2</sub>-weathering: this watershed demonstrates the highest capacity to sequester CO<sub>2</sub> and  $\kappa_{stream}$  equals -0.5. Substituting from eq. S10 into eq. S11 yields:

$$\kappa_{stream} = -\frac{0.5 \left[\Sigma^{+}\right]_{silicate-CO_{2}} - 0.25 \left[\Sigma^{+}\right]_{carbonate-H_{2}SO_{4}}}{\left[\Sigma^{+}\right]_{total}},$$
(S12)

We can further expand eq. S12 by substituting eq. S6 for  $[\Sigma^+]_{carbonate-H2SO4}$ , eq. S9 for  $[\Sigma^+]_{silicate-CO2}$ , eq. S4 for

40  $[\Sigma^+]_{\text{silicate}}$  and eq. S8 for  $[\Sigma^+]_{\text{silicate-H2SO4}}$ 

$$\kappa_{stream} = -\frac{0.5\left([\Sigma^+]_{total} - [\Sigma^+]_{carbonate} - 2\alpha_{shallow}[SO_4^{2-}]_{total}\right) - \alpha_{deep}[SO_4^{2-}]_{total}}{[\Sigma^+]_{total}},$$
(S13)

This can be rearranged and simplified as:

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$$\kappa_{stream} = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{[\Sigma^+]_{carbonate}}{[\Sigma^+]_{total}} + \frac{[SO_4^{2-}]_{total}}{[\Sigma^+]_{total}},\tag{S14}$$

We then define the second term (ratio of carbonate-derived base cations to total base cations in the stream sample) as  $\gamma_{\text{stream}}$  and the third term (ratio of the sulfate equivalents (from sulfuric acid) to the equivalents of base cations in the stream) as  $\zeta_{\text{stream}}$ . Note that to obtain the sulfate equivalents, we multiply [SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>]<sub>total</sub> by 2, resulting in the third term equal to  $0.5\zeta_{\text{stream}}$ . Given these definitions, eq. S14 yields eq. 2 from the main text:

 $\kappa_{stream} = \frac{1}{2}(-1 + \gamma_{stream} + \zeta_{stream})$ 

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#### S2.3 Using Rock Chemistry to Calculate CO<sub>2</sub> Drawdown or Release

Here we compare the bulk elemental composition of parent rock to topsoil and calculate the difference to determine if the system acted on net as a source or a sink of CO<sub>2</sub> over the weathering duration. Of course, this calculation involves inspection only of rock versus soil chemistry and cannot therefore be used to separate CO<sub>2</sub>- versus H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>weathering when the latter is derived from acid rain. The three most important factors are i) the ratio of base cations in carbonates relative to silicates in the rock, ii) the ratio of acid-generating units of pyrite relative to total base cations in carbonate+silicate minerals, and iii) the ratio of base cations still retained in regolith at the land surface relative to total base cations. This latter ratio is related to the chemical depletion factor (written below as  $-\tau$ ), i.e., the relative ratio of loss of a component in a rock to chemical weathering versus total loss by physical + chemical weathering (Riebe et al. 2003). For (i), we define the carbonate/silicate factor,  $\gamma_{rock}$ , which is the proportion of base

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cation equivalents in the rock derived from carbonate minerals divided by the total base cations:

$$\gamma_{rock} = \frac{2C_{Ca,carb} + 2C_{Mg,carb}}{2C_{Ca,Total} + 2C_{Mg,Total} + C_{Na,Total} + C_{K,Total}},$$
(S15)

Here  $C_{X,k}$  is the mole fraction (mol/kg) of base cation (X = Ca, Mg, Na, or K) in carbonates (k = carb) or in carbonate + silicate minerals (k = Total). By definition,  $\gamma_{rock}$  ranges from 0 (where all base cations derive from silicates) to 1

(where all base cations derive from carbonates). Likewise, 1-  $\gamma_{rock}$  is the proportion of base cations derived from silicate minerals.

When pyrite oxidizes it produces sulfuric acid that can dissolve carbonate and silicate minerals. This impacts 75  $CO_2$  dynamics over  $10^5$ - $10^6$  yr timescales by releasing  $CO_2$  (H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>-weathering of carbonates). But it also diminishes 75 the silicate content of the rock, thereby diminishing the rock's capacity to sequester  $CO_2$ . Here, we define a new 76 variable,  $\zeta_{rock}$ , which is the acid generation capacity expressed relative to the base cations in the rock (all on an 77 equivalents basis):

$$80 \qquad \zeta_{rock} = \frac{4C_{py}}{2C_{Ca,Total} + 2C_{Mg,Total} + C_{Na,Total} + C_{K,Total}},\tag{S16}$$

Here, the subscript py refers to pyrite (mol/kg rock). We multiply the concentration of pyrite (i.e.,  $C_{py}$ ) by 4 (eq/mol) because 4 equivalents of sulfate are produced per mole of pyrite as shown in reaction S17.

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$$FeS_2 + \frac{15}{4}O_2 + 2H_2O \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}Fe_2O_3 + 4H^+ + 2SO_4^{2-},$$
 (S17)

Lastly, in many catchments, the bulk chemistry of parent rock is not indicative of the  $CO_2$  sequestration during weathering because silicate minerals are kinetically slow to dissolve and they do not completely dissolve before the rock physically erodes. On the other hand, we assume here that all carbonate minerals chemically weather away before exposure at land surface, an assumption most useful for wet climates and relatively low-carbonate content rocks. The relative depletion of an element in a weathered rock with respect to the parent rock is easily calculated from the mass transfer coefficient,  $\tau$ .

$$\tau_{i,j} = \frac{C_{j,weathered}C_{i,parent}}{C_{j,parent}C_{i,weathered}} - 1,$$
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Here, C is the concentration of a base cation (j) or an immobile element (i) in the parent or weathered rock. When  $\tau$  at the top of the weathering profile is 0, the composition of the weathering material is the same with respect to base cations and immobile element i as the parent and none of these elements have been lost to solution (they will be eroded instead of chemically weathered). When  $\tau = -1$ , all of the element has been lost to solution and none is left to erode away.

Using the variables  $\gamma_{rock}$ ,  $\zeta_{rock}$ , and  $\tau$ , we now define  $\kappa_{rock}$ , the long-term CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration coefficient of the rock:

$$\kappa_{rock} = \frac{1}{2} \tau_{silicate\ cations} (1 - \gamma_{rock}) - \frac{1}{2} \zeta_{rock}.$$
(S19)

Here, (1- γ<sub>rock</sub>) is the proportion of base cation equivalents associated with silicate minerals. We multiply this by 0.5 because 1 mol of CO<sub>2</sub> is sequestered during weathering of 2 eq of base cations when considered over 10<sup>5</sup> to 10<sup>6</sup> yr timescales (see Fig. 1 reactions 1 and 2). If pyrite oxidation is coupled to carbonate dissolution, 2 mols of CO<sub>2</sub> are released per mole of pyrite in the rock (see Fig. 1 reaction 7), yielding the term -<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>ζ<sub>rock</sub> based on eq S16. Likewise,
pyrite oxidation could be coupled to silicate dissolution. In this case, 1 mol of pyrite consumes 2 mols of silicate minerals. Because 1 mol of Ca-silicate mineral sequesters 1 mol of CO<sub>2</sub> per mole pyrite in the rock. Again, based on eq S16, this is equivalent to -<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>ζ<sub>rock</sub>. Lastly, τ<sub>silicate cations</sub> is the mass transfer coefficient for base cations in silicates at the land surface. It ranges from 0 (no base cations in silicate minerals have been removed by dissolution) to -1 (all the

15 base cations in silicate minerals have been removed by dissolution).

Finally, noting that  $\tau_{silicate \ cations}$  is generally not reported, we must instead calculate it from  $\tau$ , the mass transfer coefficient for total base cations in the bulk rock:

 $\tau = \tau_{silicate\ cations}(1 - \gamma_{rock}) + \tau_{carbonate\ cations}\gamma_{rock},\tag{S20}$ 

Again, we emphasize wet climates and low-carbonate terrain and implicitly assume that all carbonates are fully dissolved at the land surface (i.e.,  $\tau_{carbonate cations} = -1$ ) to solve for  $\tau_{silicate cations}$ :

$$\tau_{silicate\ cations} = \frac{\tau + \gamma_{rock}}{(1 - \gamma_{rock})}.$$
(S21)

Now we substitute eq. S21 in eq. S19 and simplify to the final equation 3 from the main text:

$$\kappa_{rock} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \tau + \gamma_{rock} + \zeta_{rock} \right),$$

When  $\kappa_{rock} < 0$ , the rock has sequestered CO<sub>2</sub> from the atmosphere over the residence time of the soil and when  $\kappa_{rock} > 0$  the rock released CO<sub>2</sub>.

Mathematically, this equation is only valid as long at  $\tau < -\gamma_{rock}$ . The minimum value of  $\kappa_{rock}$  is -0.5, which is a pure silicate rock dissolved only by CO<sub>2</sub>. The maximum value of  $\kappa_{rock}$  is 0.25, which is a pure carbonate rock weathered only by sulfuric acid. It is mathematically impossible for  $\kappa_{rock} < -0.5$ ; however, it is mathematically possible to have  $\kappa_{rock} > 0.25$ . In these situations, there is more sulfuric acid in the system than can be buffered by both carbonate and silicate weathering.

#### 2.4 Lag-time Calculation

Using rain chemistry data from the National Atmospheric Deposition Program (NADP; http://nadp.slh.wisc.edu/) site PA42, we calculated the annual flux of sulfate into Shale Hills from wet deposition. We used the flux data to

35 calculate a trend in wet deposition over time and then used the regression to calculate when 39.5 mmol m<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup> was deposited (i.e., 31 years prior to today). Next we added dry deposition as an input (estimated as 30% wet deposition; Lynch and Corbett; 1989), fit a new regression to wet+dry deposition over time, and recalculated the lag time (i.e., 19 years; Fig. 4C). Although not explicitly calculated here, Hubbard Brook also shows a lag in deposition to export on similar timescales, which is consistent with the excess sulfate export observed in other studies (Likens et al., 2002).

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#### 2.5 Mineral-derived Solute Concentrations

The contributions of ankerite and calcite to the  $Ca^{2+}$  budget were calculated using the composition of the appropriate endmember (deep flowpath for SH and ER). Based on the stoichiometry of ankerite at Shale Hills and assuming all  $Mg^{2+}$  in deep flowpath water derives from ankerite, the concentration of  $Ca^{2+}$  from ankerite in any given stream sample,  $[Ca^{2+}]_{ankerite}$ , is calculated using the following equation.

$$[Ca^{2+}]_{ankerite} = 1.6 \left(\frac{Mg^{2+}}{SO_4^{2-}}\right)_{deep} \alpha_{deep} [SO_4^{2-}]_{Total},$$
(S22)

Here, 1.6 is the stoichiometric number relating  $Mg^{2+}$  to  $Ca^{2+}$  in Ankerite (see Table S3).  $[Ca^{2+}]_{calcite}$  is calculated as the difference between the total  $Ca^{2+}$  and the ankerite-derived  $Ca^{2+}$ .

Similarly, the contributions of chlorite and illite to the  $Mg^{2+}$  budget were calculated using the composition of the appropriate endmember (shallow flowpath for SH). Based on the stoichiometry of illite at Shale Hills and assuming all K<sup>+</sup> in shallow flowpath water derives from illite, the concentration of  $Mg^{2+}$  from illite in any given sample,  $[Mg^{2+}]_{illite}$ , is calculated using the following equation:

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$$[Mg^{2+}]_{illite} = 0.28 \left(\frac{\kappa^{+}}{so_4^{2-}}\right)_{shallow} \alpha_{shallow} [SO_4^{2-}]_{Total},$$
(S23)

Here, 0.28 is the stoichiometric number relating  $K^+$  to  $Mg^{2+}$  in illite (see Table S3). The concentration of chloritederived  $Mg^{2+}$  is calculated as the difference between the total  $Mg^{2+}$ , the ankerite-derived  $Mg^{2+}$  and the illite-derived  $Mg^{2+}$ . Fluxes of solutes derived from each mineral are summarized in Table S5 for Shale Hills.

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#### Section 3 Seasonality of Pyrite-sulfate Fluxes

At Shale Hills, the proportion of pyrite-derived sulfate leaving the catchment accounts for 23% of the annual sulfate flux (Table 1) but ranges from 99% of total sulfate in the dry season (summer, fall) to as low as 3% in the wet season (winter, spring, Fig. 5A). This is easily explained because the stream is sustained by deep groundwater that flows up into the stream from the deep pyrite reaction front during the dry summer and fall but not in the winter and less acid rain enters the catchment in the dry season (Li et al., 2017).

#### Section 4 Rain-correction

- For simplicity, we do not correct  $[\Sigma^+]_{total}$  (eq. S3) for rain chemistry; however, it is likely that some of the cations in the stream are derived from rain, rather than weathering. Because Cl in the stream is only derived from precipitation, we can apply a basic correction by subtracting cations from  $[\Sigma^+]_{total}$  that balance the Cl in the stream water. Because all of our calculations rely on $[\Sigma^+]_{total}$ , and individual cations, it does not matter which cations are subtracted to balance the Cl. The correction results in very little change in the calculated fluxes and does not change the
- interpretations of the study (see Table S6).

Table S1.	Endmember	compositions	for synthetic	dataset

Table S1. Endmembe	er compositions for synthetic dataset		
	Endmember1	Endmember2	
[Ca <sup>2+</sup> ]/[SO4 <sup>2-</sup> ] <sup>a</sup>	$8{\pm}0.7$	0±0.2	
$[Mg^{2+}]/[SO_4^{2-}]$	3±0.3	$0.5{\pm}0.1$	
[Na <sup>+</sup> ]/[SO4 <sup>2-</sup> ]	2±0.1	4±0.2	
[K <sup>+</sup> ]/[SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> ]	2±0.3	$1\pm0.1$	
[Cl <sup>-</sup> ]/[SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> ]	0±0.1	5±0.6	

a) All analytes are reported in molar concentration ratios. 80

85 **Table S2.** Chemical composition and interpretations of end members from NMF model (see also Figure S3)

	Shal	e Hills	East River Hu		<u>bbard Brook</u>		
Component	1	2	1	2	1	2	3
$[Ca^{2+}]/[SO_4^{2-}]^a$	$0.0{\pm}0.0$	10.0±3.6	$1.6\pm0.6$	$3.2 \pm 0.6$	$0.2{\pm}0.1$	1.0±0.2	0.2±0.1
$[Mg^{2+}]/[SO_4^{2-}]$	1.6±0.7	2.9±1.0	$0.4{\pm}0.1$	$0.7{\pm}0.1$	$0.2{\pm}0.1$	$0.4{\pm}0.1$	$0.3 \pm 0.1$
[Na <sup>+</sup> ]/[SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> ]	0.5±0.2	$0.6 \pm 0.2$	$0.1 \pm 0.0$	$0.2{\pm}0.0$	2.1±0.5	$0.4{\pm}0.2$	$0.4 \pm 0.2$
[K <sup>+</sup> ]/[SO4 <sup>2-</sup> ]	0.6±0.3	$0.7 \pm 0.2$	$0.0{\pm}0.0$	$0.0{\pm}0.0$	$0.0{\pm}0.0$	$0.0{\pm}0.0$	0.5±0.1
[Cl <sup>-</sup> ]/[SO4 <sup>2-</sup> ]	1.6±0.7	$0.0{\pm}0.0$	$0.1 \pm 0.0$	$0.0{\pm}0.0$	$0.4{\pm}0.1$	$0.2{\pm}0.1$	$0.4{\pm}0.1$
Interpretation	Shallow	Deep	Shallow	Deep	Shallow Till	Moderately Shallow Till	Deep

a) All analytes are reported in molar concentration ratios.

Table S3. Mineral reactions with CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>

Reaction	Equation
1	$Calcite + CO_2 + H_2O \rightarrow Ca^{2+} + 2HCO_3^{-}$
2	$Dolomite + 2CO_2 + 2H_2O \rightarrow Ca^{2+} + Mg^{2+} + 4HCO_3^-$
3	Ankerite + $2CO_2 + 2H_2O \rightarrow Ca^{2+} + 0.62Mg^{2+} + 4HCO_3^-$
4	$2\text{Calcite} + \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow 2\text{Ca}^{2+} + 2\text{HCO}_3^- + \text{SO}_4^{2-}$
5	Dolomite + $H_2SO_4 \rightarrow Ca^{2+} + Mg^{2+} + 2HCO_3^- + SO_4^{2-}$
6	Ankerite + $H_2SO_4 \rightarrow Ca^{2+} + 0.62Mg^{2+} + 2HCO_3^- + SO_4^{2-}$
$7^{\rm a}$	Chlorite + $0.60_2$ + $1.2C0_2$ + $1.2H_20$ → $1.2$ Hematite + Vermiculite + $0.6Mg^{2+}$ + $3.6H_20$
8 <sup>a</sup>	Illite $+ 0.91CO_2 + 4.15H_2O \rightarrow 1.08$ Kaolinite $+ 0.48$ Goethite $+ 0.07Mg^{2+} + 0.77K^+ + 0.07Mg^{2+}$
	$1.15H_4SiO_4 + 0.91 HCO_3^-$
Calcite: CaCO	3
Dolomite: Cal	$Ag(CO_3)_2$

Dolomite:  $CaMg(CO_3)_2$ Ankerite:  $Ca(Fe_{0.34}Mg_{0.62}Mn_{0.04})(CO_3)_2$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} \label{eq:characteristic} Chlorite: (Fe^{2+}{}_{0.40}Mg_{0.15}Al_{0.35})_6(Si0_{.76}Al_{0.24})_4O_{10}(OH)_8\\ \mbox{Illite: } K_{0.69}(Si_{3.24}Al_{0.76})(Al_{1.69}Fe^{3+}{}_{0.10}Fe^{2+}{}_{0.16}Mg_{0.19})O_{10}(OH)_2 \end{array}$ Hematite: Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 95 Vermiculite: (Mg<sub>0.3</sub>Al<sub>2.1</sub>)(Si<sub>0.76</sub>Al<sub>0.24</sub>)4O<sub>10</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub> Kaolinite: Al<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>3</sub>O<sub>10</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub> Goethite: FeOOH a) Mineral stoichiometries for chlorite and illite are reported in Sullivan et al. (2016)

<b>Fable S4. Relevant element concentrations and</b>	l parameters to determine Krock
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	Sha	East River <sup>b</sup>		Hubbard Brook <sup>c</sup>		
(meq/kg)	Mean	sd	Mean	sd	Mean	$\mathrm{sd}^\mathrm{h}$
Cation concentrations in parent	2309	439	4003	999	3321	664
Cation concentrations in topsoil	1368	552	1810	263	1528	306
Total sulfur in parent rock	100	19	686	312	119	24
Inorganic carbon in parent rock	250	42	1083	417	42	8
γrock	0.22	0.05	0.54	0.25	0.03	0.01
ζrock	0.04	0.01	0.17	0.09	0.04	0.01
$ au^{ m g}$	-0.43 <sup>d</sup>	0.19	-0.55 <sup>e</sup>	0.16	-0.45 <sup>f</sup>	0.13
$\tau_{\rm silicate\ cations}$	-0.27	0.26	-0.01	0.64	-0.43	0.18
Krock	-0.08	0.11	0.08	0.17	-0.19	0.11

<sup>a</sup>Values from Gu et al. (2020b)

<sup>b</sup>Values from Wan et al. (2019)

<sup>c</sup>Values from Johnson et al. (1968) and Bailey et al. (2004)

 ${}^{d}\tau$  calculated as averages from samples taken at the land surface for bulk composition data for 3 boreholes  ${}^{e}\tau$  calculated from the average of the top 8 cm of 5 cores as reported in Wan et al. (2019)

 ${}^{f}\tau$  calculated from unweathered schist and reported soil data in Johnson et al. (1968)

<sup>g</sup>immobile element used in  $\tau$  calculations is Ti

<sup>h</sup>No error on measurements were reported (Johnson et al., 1968); we therefore assumed 20% error.

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Analyte	Fraction	Flux (mmol m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )
	Total	$50.3\pm0.3$
SO4 <sup>2-</sup>	Rain-derived	$38.9 \pm 1.0 \; (77\%)^{a}$
	Pyrite	$11.2 \pm 0.9 (23\%)$
	Total	$99.5 \pm 15.2$
Ca <sup>2+</sup>	Calcite	56.1 ± 8.4 (56%)
	Ankerite	$43.3 \pm 6.9 \ (44\%)$
	Total	$51.8\pm7.4$
$Mg^{2+}$	Ankerite	$28.2 \pm 4.4 \ (54\%)$
	Chlorite	21.3 ± 5.7 (41%)
	Illite	$2.4 \pm 0.6$ (5%)

Table S5. Fluxes of SO4<sup>2-</sup>, Ca<sup>2+</sup>, and Mg<sup>2+</sup> by contributor at Shale Hills

<sup>a</sup>Number in parentheses is the percent of the total flux for that element

	Shale	Hills	East River		Hubbard Brook	
	Base Cation Fluxes (meq $m^{-2} yr^{-1}$ )					
	Uncorrected	Corrected	Uncorrected	Corrected	Uncorrected	Corrected
Total base cation flux	$336\pm13$	$316\pm13$	$1540\pm30$	$1530\pm30$	$84.6\pm0.8$	$74.4\pm0.8$
Base cation flux from CO <sub>2</sub> -weathering of silicates	$12.6\pm21.1$	$5.0\pm21.1$	$315\pm58$	$300\pm58$	$24.1{\pm}~0.8$	$14.8\pm0.8$
Base cation flux from CO <sub>2</sub> -weathering of carbonates	$216\pm16$	$216\pm16$	$587\pm48$	$587\pm48$	-	-
Base cation flux from H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> -weathering of silicates	$62.4\pm1.0$	$66.0\pm1.0$	$152\pm4$	$152\pm4$	$60.5\pm0.2$	$59.5\pm0.2$
Base cation flux from H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> -weathering of carbonates	$44.8 \pm 1.9$	$44.8\pm1.9$	$488\pm9$	$488\pm9$	-	-
	<i>Fluxes (mmol</i> $m^{-2} yr^{-1}$ )					
	Uncorrected	Corrected	Uncorrected	Corrected	Uncorrected	Corrected
Total sulfate flux	50.3 =	= 0.3	197.5	± 1.0	30.3	$\pm 0.1$
Sulfide-derived sulfate flux	11.2 =	± 0.9	$122.1 \pm 4.3$		$9.1 \pm 0.1$	
Rain-derived sulfate flux	38.9 ±	= 1.0	75.9	± 4.2	21.2	$\pm 0.6$
CO <sub>2</sub> sequestration or release	$4.9\pm10.7$	$8.7\pm10.7$	$-35.6\pm30.4$	$-27.9\pm30.4$	$-12.1 \pm 0.4$	$-7.4\pm0.4$
	CO <sub>2</sub> Sequestration Coefficients					
	Uncorrected	Corrected	Uncorrected	Corrected	Uncorrected	Corrected
K <sub>stream</sub>	$0.01\pm0.03$	$0.03\pm0.03$	$\textbf{-0.02} \pm 0.02$	$\textbf{-0.02} \pm 0.02$	$\textbf{-0.14} \pm 0.01$	$\textbf{-0.10}\pm0.01$
Kraak	$-0.08 \pm 0.11$ $0.08 \pm 0.17$ $-0.19 \pm 0.02$			± 0.02		



Figure S1. Time series showing [SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>]in stream water for the three components calculated from NMF for the 5 analyzed subcatchments for Hubbard Brook. The measured stream sulfate concentrations (i.e. total sulfate) are also shown. Components 1 through 3 have been inferred to indicate weathering along flowpaths that are shallow, moderately shallow, and deep, respectively (see text and Table S2).



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Figure S2. Matrix of plots showing measured concentration ratios in stream water at Shale Hills normalized to their maximum value (red) and the bootstrapped normalized concentration ratios (black). Off-diagonal plots show every combination of element ratio pairs to illustrate covariation in the dataset. Plots on the diagonal are element ratio distributions to illustrate that the bootstrapped dataset matches the distribution of the measured stream samples.



Figure S3. Plot showing the variation in end member composition over time for shallow and deep weathering end members at Shale Hills.



Figure S4. Plots showing the CO<sub>2</sub> fluxes at Shale Hills (A), East River (B), and Hubbard Brook (C) through weathering reactions inferred from the stream chemistry (see SM section 2.2).

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