

An integrated and interoperable platform enabling 3D stochastic geological modelling



# Loop – Why a new platform?

- Current technology does not allow for modelling of poly-deformed terranes in a reproducible sense
- Need for uncertainty characterisation
- Need for better geophysical integration
- Maximisation of 3D geology uncertainty reduction

Open-source is the future

https://github.com/Loop3D/LoopStructural



A complex model like this would have to be hand-drawn

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## **Research Organisations**











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## AuScope





Australian Government



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**Geological Survey of** Western Australia

### Department of industry **NSW** Resources & Energy

**Government of South Australia** Department of State Development

### **MinEx** crc



BHP Geological Survey of Western Australia



# **Partner Organisations**

# Governance

### One Steering Committee:

• Chair:

Carina Kemp (Aarnet)

- Members:
  - Laurent Ailleres (Monash / lead-Cl)
  - Mark Jessell (UWA / rep. MinEx CRC)
  - Tim Rawling (AuScope)
  - Steve Hill (Geoscience Australia)
  - Klaus Gessner (GSWA / representing the state and territory surveys)
  - Matthew Harrison (BRGM / rep. OneGeology)

### Research and Development team:

• Lead-CI:

Laurent Ailleres (Monash)

• Senior software architect:

Roy Thomson (Monash)

• Knowledge Manager:

Boyan Brodaric (Geological Survey of Canada)

• Map2Loop / Pre-processing:

Mark Jessell (UWA)

• LoopStructural:

Lachlan Grose (Monash)

• Geophysical Integration:

Jeremie Giraud (UWA)

• Uncertainty and value of information:

Guillaume Pirot and Mark Lindsay (UWA)

• Knowledge transfer and community: Robin Armit (Monash)



# Highlights this Quarter

Automated 3D model creation with the link: map2loop -> LoopStructural



LoopStructural models calculated in a few minutes (inc. m2l and loopstructural time) on a "normal" laptop E.g. Flinders ranges: 20K+ orientation data points; overall time <5 minutes (Dell Inspiron 15).

- Loopinars and LoopExe meetings delivered for GSWA, NTGS, GSNSW and partially GA (awaiting confirmation from other states)
- Loop mentioned multiple times in the Auscope 5-year Investment Plan
- Sessions proposed/accepted at AGU Fall meeting(a), AESC 2021(a) in Hobart and SGA2021(p) in Rotorua. Abstracts have been/will be submitted
- •Grant application with GNS to investigate urban geology modelling in NZ Loop to provide software expertise.

# Funding and Resources



# **Current Funding**



### **Project 6- Automated 3D geological modelling**

\$1.2M Project 6 - CRC
Project 6 Leaders Mark Jessell & Mark Lindsay
1: week for uncertainty-characterised model suites



### **Loop Consortium**

\$3M OneGeology/ARC Linkage Consortium Project Leader Laurent Ailleres Make a better world for 3D modellers





### Data Analytics in Resources and the Environment ARC

ARC Industrial Transformational Training Centre \$10M Multi-institutional Graduate School in applied Data Analytics (15 PhD & 3 Postdocs) Centre Director: Prof **Sally Cripps**, Co-Director of Centre of Translational Data Science Sydney University Lead Minerals Exemplar: Dr **Mark Lindsay**, ARC DECRA Fellow



DECRA

Value of Information

\$1M ARC DECRA Project Leader **Mark Lindsay** What (geophysical) data should I collect?



• ARC LP + MinEx CRC P6 + DECRA ~= \$5.6M research expenditure

• Sponsors investment leverage of between 10:1 to 170:1



# Loop in Numbers

- 7 in-kind Cl
- 9 in-kind PI
- 4 NEW research positions
- 3 NEW software design/development positions
- 7 non initially named PI's at partner organisations
- 10 NEW PhD candidates
- 4 Universities, 4 National Geological Survey Organisations
- 5 countries, 3 continents
- *Problem: the senior research team is heavily lacking diversity*



## The most important resource: People! CI/PI on the initial ARC LP grant

- Monash Uni: Laurent Ailleres, Robin Armit, Peter Betts, Sandy Cruden, Tiangang Cui, Jerome Droniou
- UWA: Mark Jessell, Mark Lindsay (now a DECRA Fellow)
- RING Nancy, FRA: Guillaume Caumon
- RWTH Aachen, GER: Florian Wellmann
- GS of Canada: Eric de Kemp
- BGS UK: Matthew Harrison (now with BRGM) & Holger Kessler
- GA Carina Kemp (now at Aarnet // chair of the steering committee)
- Auscope: Tim Rawling
- GSNSW/GSWA Giovanni Spampinato & Klaus Gessner



# People – leverage of collaborative research in open source

- Monash Uni: Lachlan Grose post-doc LoopStructural (ARC LP) Roy Thomson - software architect (ARC LP) Yohan de Rose – software engineer (ARC LP)
- UWA: Jeremie Giraud G-Loop "LoopGeophysics" (ARC LP +/- Minex CRC)
   Guillaume Pirot value of information (MinEx CRC)
   Khavita Madaiah software engineer (MinEx CRC)
- RING Nancy, FRA: Francois Bonneau meshing and algorithmic (in-kind)
- RWTH Aachen, GER: Miguel de la Varga (PhD RWTH Aachen)
- GS Canada Boyan Brodaric / Steve Richard ontology of geology // knowledge manager (In-kind) Michael Hillier – (staff and new PhD @ RWTH Aachen ) Interpolant constrained by anisotropy
   Marion Parquer - post-doc // 3D models consistency checker (new position @ GSC)
   BGS: Edd Lewis, Russell Lawley, Katherine Royse (CDO BGS)



# The most important resource: People! (PhD)

- Multi-scale 3D modelling Yalgoo–Singleton greenstone belt (Ranee Joshi, 21/1/2019) (MinEx CRC scholarship)
- Integrated 3D modelling of the Paterson Orogen (Polyanna Moro, 25/2/2019) (MinEx CRC scholarship)
- Data fusion methodologies for geology-geophysics inversion (Mahtab Rashidi Fard, 1/92019) (MinEx CRC scholarship)
- Factors Contributing to Metal Endowment in the Wabigoon Subprovince (Becky Montsion, Cotutelle with Uni Laurentian & GSC) (Canadian scholarship)
- Integrated 3D modelling in a drilling/Electrical methods (Nuwan Suriyaachchi)(1/10/2019) (MinEx CRC scholarship)









# The most important resource: People! (PhD)

- 3D prospectivity analysis with uncertainty analysis for the Sandstone Greenstone Belt (Sam Davies) (MinEx CRC scholarship)
- The value of structural data (Rabii Chaarani, Mar 2019) (APA)
- Modelling intrusion from field observations (Fernanda Alavarado, Aug 2019) (APA)
- Integrated geophysical and geological 3D modelling: Marina Jeronimo-Zarate (starting in March 2021) (APA)











# Detail Progress Report





- 1. Recruit one post-doctoral fellow for structural modelling: completed / Dr Lachlan Grose
- 2. Organise and run the kick off meeting completed and run in Nov 2018
- 3. Set up high level infrastructure: GitHub repository / Slack workspace running, website, central GitHub repository with each work package as a sub-module
- 4. Recruiting one senior software engineer with knowledge of software architecture: Roy Thomson
- 5. Recruiting a software developer: Yohan de Rose
- 6. Data structure / API's design by Sept 2019 (was June 2019) : completed refined and completed python and C++ implementation of data structures for WP 2 and 3 and continuing work on WP1,4,5 components and Fortran versions (ongoing)



New



- 7. Report on redefinition of the work packages / report of meeting / Distributed via email, google drive and slack
  - 8. Software architecture: (ongoing) First-pass UI design complete and data passing from online sources, re-projected, sampled, used in forward inverse structural modelling and displayed, incorporating new version of map2loop and further WP software modules also adding online data sources (GADDS2, OneGeology)
- 9. Collate deliverables / milestones of all WP's by start of Feb 2019 (done) and ongoing with updates
- 10. Engage with Auscope to assess their level of support: ongoing // involved in the current strategic planning meetings and proposals. Loop mentioned multiple times in the Auscope 5-Year Investment Plan
- 11. Manage Quarterly reports (ongoing quarterly)
- 12. Design and implement mechanism to calculate and display permutations of possible geological event histories with feedback that shows which events contribute to the greatest uncertainty



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13. Adding optional data review procedure into the Loop GUI to fix errors in downloaded and re-projected data (such as mis-classified observations)

14. Rewriting and generalization of map2lopp -> map2loop\_v2





### Loop Workflow Data Types are to be encoded in a

single netCDF project file (with .loop3d extension)

Implemented Workflow Python version of NetCDF data structures completed Further progress towards inclusion of WP1 & WP5



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Left – GUI in construction showing the workflow to modelling. First step: setting the model volume of interest and running WP2 map2loop to extract data for modelling (WP #1 & 2). Right: iso-slices through a first pass LoopStructural model of the Hammersley Group.

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GUI Image showing calculation of total permutations of an event log including basic colouring interface based on the complexity of sub-sections of the event log

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# WP #1 – Geoscience Knowledge Manager

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**1. Task:** Establish working group membership and procedures. membership.

- **2. Task:** recruit one knowledge representation geoscientist.
- 3. Task: develop draft geoscience knowledge manager (GKM) architecture. Deliverable: draft GKM implementation.
- **4.** Task: develop draft *geoscience knowledge ontology* (GSO).
- **5.** Task: develop *knowledge capture methods*, populate GSO and GKM.
- 6. Task: evaluate GKM access and explore *usage scenarios* (with WPs).

Deliverable: working group

Deliverable: staffing contract.

**Deliverable:** draft GSO encoding & notes

**Deliverable:** knowledge (test) in GKM.

**Deliverable:** GKM query patterns.

# WP #1 – Geoscience Knowledge Manager

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Task 4: progress on GSO development – refinements made post-LOOP workshop Mar 2020; v1 document draft.
Task 5: progress on GSO content – developed petrophysical examples, with more planned.
Task 6: evaluate GKM access and explore *usage scenarios* – petrophysical testing scenario in progress.

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- 1. Recruit one post-doctoral fellow for uncertainty: Guillaume Pirot hired, start date 1/9/2019
- 2. Recruit one Scientific programmer: Kavitha Madaiah hired, started 17/6/2019
- 3. Recruit one post-doctoral fellow geophysics (WP4) : Jeremie Giraud hired, started 1/4/2019
- 0 4. 2 new PhD scholarships candidates found (Babak Ghane (still having visa issues), Nuwan Suriyaachchi)
- 5. Acquire company data for testing purposes: provisional confirmation from BHP
- 6. Define 1-3 year software capabilities

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Planned code blocks

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Other Loop WP Code Blocks

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**External Data** Sources

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Map2loop proof of concept

- One of the aims of WP2 is to automate as much as possible the input of data and transformation in appropriate inputs to Loop 3D modelling codes
- In this (first) example we have developed python & C++ codes to automatically derive the input data needed to produce *gempy, geomodeller and LoopStructural* (*WP #3*) models
- Specifically we started from a shapefile of the GSWA 500K geology map of Western Australia; the equivalent fault and fold axial trace layer; the WAROX database of structures and an online Geoscience Australia SRTM topography server
- By performing a topological analysis of the geology map we were able to provide the necessary inputs for a *gempy, geomodeller and LoopStructural* models for a 1 degree square of geology
- No manual intervention was required to build the input layers and models shown in the next slides (apart from lots of coding)
- Future developments will add sills

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Map2loop // Secondary geological information automatically derived from maps. a) Normalised local formation thickness (hotter colours show thicker formations) b) Interpolated estimated bedding orientations for the Hamersely and Fortescue Groups c) Apparent fault throw (hotter colours show larger throw)

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Topological information automatically derived from maps. a) Stratigraphic relationships between the different formations found in the region of interest. Each rectangle represents one formation, and the arrows point to younger formation. b) Fault relationships, each fault is one rectangle, and the larger and darker the rectangle, the more important the fault is based on a centrality index. c) The fault-formation relationship matrix. Green cells indicate that a specific fault (columns) intersects a given formation (rows), otherwise the cell is red.

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Functionality added to *map2loop* to analyse the litho-structural context of mineral deposits, which will help in defining which elements to retain for modelling

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3D geological model produced using the input data created by map2loop. Top row: 3D model with some layers rendered transparent in the Geomodeller mode to highlight subsurface fault relationships. gempy and LoopStructural have no faults (yet). Lower row: top surface of the geology.

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# WP #2 – Map2loop-current activities

- a) Refactoring of map2loop code: (Yohan de Rose, Monash)
  - a) Ease of installation
  - b) Conform code to Loop standards
- b) Testing of map2loop code
  - a) Mark Jessell Proof of concepts
  - b) Nishka Piechocka (MRIWA 577 Hamersley project)
  - c) Fabiele Dalmaso Spode
  - d) (MRIWA 521/554 Paterson/Basins projects)
  - e) Ranee Joshi Yalgoo Singleton GSB
  - f) Mt Isa Inlier Rock Valenta/Karen Connors (UQ,AA)
  - g) NSW Lachlan Orogen examples
  - h) PCO NTGS
  - i) Flinders Ranges GSSA
  - j) Victoria GSV
  - k) Tasmania MRT data

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c) Seeking additional funding for drillhole analysis from Auscope & MinEx CRC Opportunity funds

# WP #2 & 3 Proof of concept models map2loop -> LoopStructural

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# WP #3 – LoopStructural

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- ) 1. Python library: FME has been renamed to LoopStructural
- Developing/testing algorithms for representing fault networks (ongoing)
- 3. Planning a soft release of LoopStructural for beta testers identified at the SGTSG workshop early 2020 (delayed because of licensing issues with TetGen (AGPLV3). Dependency removed & now just testing
- 4. Planning benchmark paper (GC) draft for RING meeting
- 5. Mike Hillier (GSC) working porting tensor interpolation to python
- 6. Implemented folding code in LoopStructural
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- 7. Loop Structural mailing list created (https://tinyurl.com/w4vp6os)
- 8. Implemented high level API for LoopStructural folding, faulting, unconformities, using different interpolation schemes
- 9. Preparing publication for fault method and another for integration of faults and folds in implicit modeling
- 10. Conceptual development of intrusion framework
- 11. Removed reliance on tetgen and implemented structured tetrahedron mesh
- 12. New API working for polydeformed folds, overprinting faults and unconformities

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13. Testing impact of sample location on models produced by LoopStructural by subsampling a dataset on Noddy models for different sampling patterns 1) transect mapping 2) form line mapping.

14. Implementation of the Object-distance Simulation Method (Henrion et al. 2010) for intrusions modelling.

15. Identification of typical shapes for different types of intrusions. This is a work in progress and its outcome will be used to asses the limitations of different scalar fields.

16. Continuously testing link to map2loop and map2loop\_v2

- 17. Link with geophysical codes
- 18. Implemented probabilistic fold modelling using EMCEE sampler





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- 24. Map colours are used for colouring map2loop generated LoopStructural models
- 25. Draft LoopStructural paper prepared and sent to coauthors
- 26. Ongoing testing of the value of structural information
- **27**. Direct integration of map2loop with new model creation function





B. Model support before restoration

#### C. Model support restored by main fault



D. Model support restored by antithetic fault

E. Interpolated stratigraphy scalar field

F. Isosurfaces extracted from scalar field





Implicit fault network for a graben with antithetic faulting.





LoopStructural – examples: a) faulted folds; b) map view of model a); c) Duplex; d) two antithetic sequential faults; e) two parallel faults with oblique offsets. Faults are modelled as ellipses with an ellipsoidal damage zone with varying offset profiles. Faults as folding events are time aware and are modelled from younger to older faults.



Example of new streamlined api for modelling a folded foliation







Loop structural modelling using map2loop output and including faults



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#### Sampling structural data

Form-surface sampling vs Across structure sampling.

The reference model generated using Noddy (A) is an upright cylindrical fold with a fold axis plunging vertically.

B-C1,2,3 are respectively the input dataset, the S-Plot of the resulting model and the S-Variogram.

The models resulting from both samples reproduce a wavelength close to the wavelength of the reference model and the model resulting from the form surface sample is slightly more asymmetrical than the across-structure sample.





#### **Bayesian modelling – proof of concept**

- a) Faulted fold series map where probabilistic folding and faulting was used to recover the fault displacement and fold geometry.
- b) Posterior probabilities for displacement and fourier series coefficients
- c) S-Plot showing 1000 realisations of the fold profile sampled from the posterior distribution.







#### Geological map colours for 3D model

Model for turner syncline using map2loop with surface and geology colours being automatically extracted from 100k mapsheets





#### Fault displacement map

Model for Hamersley area showing fault displacement magnitude. This new visualisation option shows the cumulative fault displacement for the geological model. It can be used in the 3D viewer or in the 2D mapview





#### **Modelling intrusions**

Using the Object-distance Simulation Method (Henrion et al. 2010)

Example A: Sill-dyke-sill transition. Orange contour shows scalar field  $\phi(p) = 2$ .

Example B. Feeder-sill-dyke-sill transition. Red contour shows scalar field  $\phi(p) = 2$ 





ODSIM applied to intrusions. (A) Schematic representation of two synthetic cases. To the left, a sheet Intrusion emplaced in a folded and conformable sedimentary sequence. To the right, a sheet Intrusion emplaced in a faulted and conformable sedimentary sequence. (B) Intrusion network. (C) Coarse-scale geometry of the intrusions, showing the intrusion network (yellow surface), the intrusion body (blue volume) and the data points (red dots).

#### (A) Schematic representation of synthetic cases



(B) Outcome of Step 1





(C) Outcome of Step 2



Figure showing LoopStructural sensitivity to data sampling for folded structures.



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- 1. GLoop/Tomofast-related or potentially related journal papers: accepted in Geophysical Journal International and Geophysics.
- 2. Redaction of paper towards public release of Tomofast-x inversion platform: delayed but will happen.
- 3. Redefining file formats for I/O to abide by recognized standards, writing of codes for communication between Tomofast-x and other modules.
- 4. Documentation of Tomofast and 2D simplified version: Nuwan working on editing it and do website.
- 5. Model Intercomparison Project discussed in Busselton; model to be chosen/designed in discussion.

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- 6. Implicit functions (level-set) to define geometries in geophysical inversion: case study performed, paper came back for revisions; working on revised manuscript.
- Sub-consortium to support student(s) to extend Tomofast application to IP/Res: suitable student not found.
- 8. Potential new collaboration(s): discussions with Memorial Uni. of Newfoundland.
- Damien Ciolczyk 's internship (6 month, double degree ENSG-EOST): delayed beginning but otherwise on track. 9. Working on geology-geophysics integration and probabilistic MT + deterministic gravi cooperative modelling.
- 10. Joint project with CSIRO on probabilistic MT/potential fields integration/LoopStrucutral interpolation. Progress on synthetic case.

Results of gravity data inversion using level-set formulation of geometries to adjust geological bodies' shapes. Application to greenstone belt from Yerrida basin (WA)

- (a) Starting model derived from probabilistic geological modelling alone
- (b) Inversion results: geological model deformed and adjusted by level-set inversion of Bouguer anomaly

From Giraud et al. [expected 2020], Generalisation of level-set inversion to an arbitrary number of geological units using a regularized least-squares approach, submitted for publication in Geophysics.

Unpublished material; not for public sharing.



Feasibility study of proposed workflow for the integration of gravity and magnetotellurics data.

Domains are derived from MT probabilities of rock units. Each domain allows a range of densities to be used by gravity inversion accordingly with rock types allowed.

From Giraud et al. 2020 [submitted]. Utilisation of stochastic MT inversion results to constrain gravity inversion, extended abstract submitted to EAGE's Unpublished material; not for public sharing.





Comparison of inversion results for density contrast models recovered using different kinds of constraints from petrophysics and/or geology and/or structural prior information.

From Giraud et al. 2020 [in prep, submission expected in Q4 2020]. Unpublished material; not for public sharing.

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- O 1. Uncertainty characterization Guillaume Pirot started September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2019
- 2. PhD student Babak Ghane has been offered a place at UWA and has accepted. Awaiting visa approvals
- 3. Ontology development of geophysical methods and mineral systems detection (assoc. with WP1)
- 4. Measuring information loss/change from data upscaling/processing
- 5. Design WP5 analytical framework aspects related to Vol considered (next slides)
- 6. Paper preparation: Utility of gravity data with geochemistry to understand basin development
- 7. Paper preparation: Extracting geological knowledge from petrophysics using machine learning on drillcore



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- 8. Paper preparation: Objective assessment of structural geophysical interpretation & impact on 3D uncertainty
- 9. 3D modelling survey to improve our understanding of modellers needs and uses
- 10. Letter/paper preparation 3D modelling and uncertainty quantification: needs and practices in the mining industry
- 11. Assessing input data quality and uncertainty (from exploratory analysis to data richness, assoc. with WP1 & WP2)
- 12. Identifying plausible geological scenarios from the Yalgoo-Singleton dataset, based on the probability estimation of spatio-temporal geological events
- **13**. Towards a parametric representation of geological concepts (assoc. with WP2)
- 14. Reducing prior uncertainty with data integration (additional geological or geophysical data, assoc. with WP1, 2&4)

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- 15. Assessing the effects of hierarchical versus joint inversion on prediction confidence (precision) and bias (accuracy)
- 16. Assessing the effects of sampling based versus deterministic driven inversion on prediction confidence (precision) and bias (accuracy)
- 17. Importance of small scale heterogeneities: up to what scale does it matters ? (multiple-point statistics, assoc. with WP1, WP2, WP3 & WP4)





WP5 uncertainty reduction with additional gological or geophysical data



Sources of uncertainty

- Errors
- Lack of data
- Unknown

Uncertainty types

- Conceptual (often ignored)
- Parametric and algorithmic (MCMC, CURE-like approaches)
- Stochastic (ensemble modelling)

#### Objectives

- How does (geological concept) uncertainty affects decision making?
  - Characterize the sensitivity of decision threshold to geological concepts (& other input data, parameters or error)
  - How to define a wide prior of plausible geological scenarios?
  - Improve assessment of input data quality and uncertainty
- Reducing uncertainty (conceptual, parametric and algorithmic prior)
  - Data richness, VoI, where to drill next? what kind of additional geological or geophysical data?
  - Scenario selection via parameter space exploration
  - Bayesian optimization techniques
  - Null-space exploration
- How do methodological choice influence prediction uncertainty?
  - Hierarchical versus joint inversion
  - Deterministic driven versus sampling based approaches
- How and when do small scale heterogeneities matter for mining applications?



Kriging parameters (global or per formation) Faults not included

Range

Nugget (interfaces, orientations) Drift degree (0,1,2)

Anisotropy

#### **Bayesian Optimisation**

Characterising parametric uncertainty from CURE-like process Cardinality – Global/Local Entropy - Global/Local Spatial entropy - Global/Local OLS - Global/Local P1 - Global/Local Frequency/Probability - Global/Local Geometric - Geodiversity (Volumes, Surface areas, Depths, neighbourhood relationships) Local Topology - Multiscale

Model engine

Loop Structural

RBF (Leapfrog)

Co-kriging (Geomodeller)





There is a tendency for the decision maker to ignore accurate data and information Can we address this? How to address this?



#### WP #5 – a Hamersley derived synthetic case

Objective: establish a proof of concept to reduce uncertainty based on the value of information

- Where to drill next? How deep?
- Where to collect more geophysical data
- How fast can geological uncertainty be reduced and stabilized?
- Sensitivity to budget and drilling strategy

Other advantages and challenges of the iterative ensemble modelling approach:

- Mitigate uncertainty underestimation resulting from black-box implicit modelling with fictive pilot drill-holes
- Minimize an iteratively integrated Uncertainty using non-linear multi-objective sampling design
- Ensemble of realizations and reference will be available for further LOOP testing

Agenda

- Define a synthetic reference and prior information (Done)
- Implement pilot drillhole perturbations (Done, improvement in progress)
- Select (Done) and implement the optimization algorithm (Done)



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- 1. Training / Self Tutorial: 'LoopStructural' python library for structural modelling is available to sponsors (email Lachlan Grose to get access to the GitHub public release mid 2020). This includes Juypter notebooks guiding users through interactive structural modelling workflows. More beta testers required!
- 2. Loop Workshops:
  - AEGC 2019 conference 2nd-6th September, Perth, WA // Loop/MinexCRC workshop Fri 6th Sep // Workshop on Uncertainty in 3D modelling and Inversion; organised by CET MJ/ML/JG – WP5
  - SGTSG 2019 conference 18th-23th November, Port Lincoln, South Australia // LoopStructural Jupyter notebooks An opt in mailing list was setup at the completion of the workshop with ~30 researchers currently signed up to date // organized by Monash Uni LA/LG/RA // SGTSG LoopStructural workshop successfully completed with 45 participants from academia, geological survey and universities.
- 3. Visited NTGS to demonstrate LoopStructural and discuss Loop overall including future funding opportunities including in-house case studies and applications.

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4. Recruited 3 PhD students to Monash University:

- Rabii Chaarani to work on the Broken Hill case study looking at the value of structural information in polydeformed terranes.
- Fernanda Alvarado: Modelling intrusions: field observations, encoding rules.
- Marina Jeronimo-Zarate: Integrated geophysical and geological 3D modelling (starting March 2021 Delayed due to COVID-19).
- 5. Proposed case study for the Amadeus Basin revised to the Birrindudu Basin in the Northern Territory. NTGS staff member and honours student to be found by early 2021.
- 6. Proposed visit to the Geological Survey of South Australia in Q2 2019 to discuss SA case study possibilities. Case study proposal structural mapping (currently underway) in the Tarcoola goldfields. Face to Face meeting not possible due to COVID-19. 2 videomeetings proposed for June 2020.

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- 7. Benchmarking case studies to be developed with ED and established by mid 2019.
- 8. Plan benchmark paper for comparing existing 3D modelling methods: GC leading this.
- 9. Develop case study to test fault geometries and apply to geophysical inversion schemes from WP4: Started discussion with JG.
- 10. Develop a week long course to align with sponsors meeting in mid 2020 for knowledge transfer and feedback to WP1-5.
- 11. Loop collaboration meeting UWA/Monash October 21st to 23rd 2019, Perth. All work programs discussed.
- 12. Mid Loop progress meeting 10th to 14th March 2020. In Busselton. Technical sessions, demonstration and hands-on practicals. Map2Loop, LoopStructural, Gloop and uncertainty assessment workflows demonstrated during the meeting. 47 participants

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- 13. Develop a program to visit all supporting surveys to develop training and case studies. Ideally a centralized meeting for sponsor surveys proposed but may require one-on-one meetings.
- 14. A series of video-meetings proposed to sponsors to include: (1) high-level project progress and forward planning including funding; (2) A half day technical workshop (Loopinar) for all interested personnel to outline the software developments to date. Plan to hold these by end of Sep 2020.
- 15. An advanced video workshop for identified modelling specialists at each survey. This workshop will be hands-on including demonstrations and examples in Jupyter notebook format of the different Loop packages and use of the GUI.
- 16. Repeat Mid-Loop meeting workshop required for NTGS in mid 2020 due to conference clash in March. 2 videomeetings to be proposed for mid to late 2020.
- 17. Loop @ GA workshop required mid to late 2020.

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- 18. Establish a series of training course and source funding opportunities with industry bodies (AusIMM, GSA, ASEG, SEG, IAMG).
- 9 19. Development of a 2 day workshop for AESC 8th-12th Feb 2021.
- 20. Proposed and convene a session on 3D Modelling at AESC Feb 2021
- 21. Loop focused session for AGU 2020 approved 'There's more than one way to bake a cake; global examples of building interoperable multidimensional geological frameworks'.
- 22. Proposed videoconference with potential new sponsors (e.g. QLD, TAS, VIC, GNS geological surveys) to outline Loop project progress to date and identify future opportunities.

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23. Website – 2<sup>nd</sup> version went live 9<sup>th</sup> April. Update required to fix current format.

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- 24. Establish a calendar of Loop relevant conferences and disseminate to all Loop working groups to increase awareness of the project and outcomes.
- 25. Loop generic introduction slides to promote the project. Slide deck to be shared with sponsors to clearly articulate the entire Loop project, leveraging and what sponsors will have access to.
- 26. Create a Loop related publication folder (dropbox) to share with sponsors.
- 27. Vision is to have Map2Loop->LoopStructural + potentially uncertainty assessment integrated workflow ready for the AESC 2021
- 28. Session proposal for SGA 2021 in Rototua, NZ submitted Automated 3D Geological modelling new methods and applications from automated data analysis to 3D geological models. Convenors: Robin Armit, Laurent Ailleres & Mark Jessell

# Happy memories from the Mid-Loop meeting

The Mid-Loop Meeting was held in early March 2020 in Busselton WA with 50 participants from across the globe. The meeting included 5 days of presentations and hand-ons workshops









#### Loop Papers and Conference presentations

Papers

- •de Kemp, E. Submitted. Spatial Agents for Geological Surface Modeling. Mathematical Geosciences.
- Giraud, J., Lindsay, M., Jessell, M. Submitted. Generalisation of level-set inversion to an arbitrary number of geological units using a regularized least-squares approach. Submitted for publication in Geophysics.
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- Lindsay, M., Occhipinti, S., Aitken, A., LaFlamme, C., Ramos, L., Submitted. Mapping undercover: integrated interpretation and 3D modelling of a Proterozoic basin. Solid Earth
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- Brodaric, B. and Richard, S.M. The GeoScience Ontology.
- Chaarani, R., et al., The effect of structural data distributions on 3D fold geometries
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- Rashidifard, M. Giraud, J. Lindsay, M., Jessell, M., Ogarko., V. Constrained Gravity Geometry Inversion with Sparse Low-Uncertainty Data.

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- Giraud, J., Lindsay, M., Ogarko, V., and Jessell, M., Sensitivity of constrained geophysical inversion to geological input measurement uncertainty. Extended Abstract, EAGE Annual Meeting London 2019.

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- Rashidifard, M., Giraud, J., Ogarko, V., Jessell, M., Lindsay, M. Cooperative inversion of seismic and gravity using a weighted structure-based constraint, extended abstract

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- Giraud, J., Seillé, H., Visser, G., Lindsay, M., Jessell, M., 2020, Utilisation of stochastic MT inversion results to constrain potential field inversion, <u>https://doi.org/10.5194/egusphere-egu2020-15067</u>
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• Grose et al., Fault modeling kinematics

### **AEGC 2019**

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- Ailleres et al., overview of the Loop project
- Lindsay, M., Spratt, J., Aitken, A.R.A., Occhipinti, S., Dentith, M. (2019) A multiscale investigation of a gold mineral system in the eastern Yilgarn SGTSG2019
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- Pirot, G., Joshi, R., Jessell, M., Lindsay, M., 2020. From geological data and historical scenarios to conceptual models, Subsurface 2020 conference

### Loop Visitors

Visitors to CET

- Damien Ciolczyk, MSc Eng. Student doing internship remotely School and Observatory of Earth Sciences (Strasbourg, France), to perform joint geologically constraints geophysical modelling using Loop tools.
- Roland Martin (CNRS/Université Paul Sabatier, Toulouse, France) visited from 16 to 27th March. Focus on applying techniques developed in inversion platform Tomofast-x.
- Ashwani Prabhakar: 3 month internship to work on testing TOMOFASTx inversion codes (WP5) Complete, draft manual available.
- Clement Barriere: 2 month internship to work on TOMFASTx code. Jupyter notebook version of 2D tomofast near completion.
- •Li Zhen Cheng: 6 month visiting scholar to work on integrated geology/geophysics inversion (WP5)
- •Jiateng Guo: 12 month visiting scholar to work on building massive 3D database for 3D models and their geophysical response for Machine Learning
- Prototype map2model code allows fully automatic 3D model construction from geological maps (Mark Jessell & Vitaliy Ogarko), with internal UWA workshop held in Feb 2020 as preparation for Busselton workshop
- •The UWA Loop group was part of a research collaboration that has been awarded a \$10M grant to build a graduate school in Data Analytics for Resources and Environments (DARE), the project will be led by Prof Sally Cripps and will have multiple hubs with the lead at Sydney University.
- Nishka Piechocka to work part-time at UWA in 2020 on building a 3D model of the Hamersley Basin using Loop technologies thanks to new MRIWA funding for a CSIRO-led project.

### Loop Github content

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