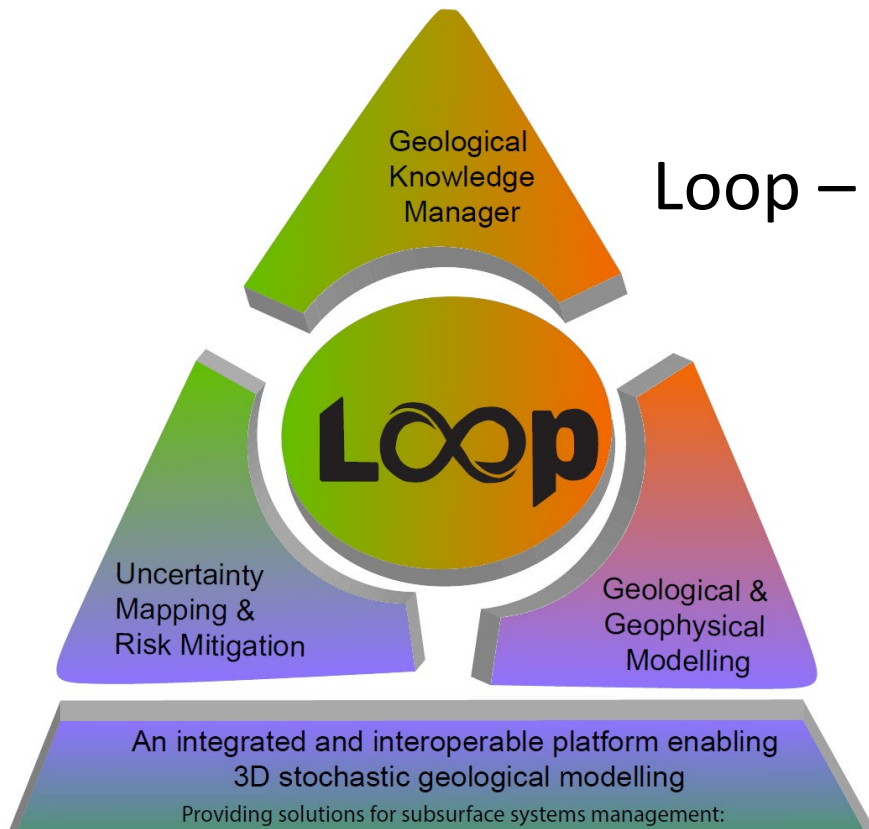




The next generation 3D
Structural Geological and
Geophysical Modelling
Platform



Loop – an open source 3D probabilistic geological and
geophysical modelling platform

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Research Organisations



Funding Organisations (cash & in-kind)



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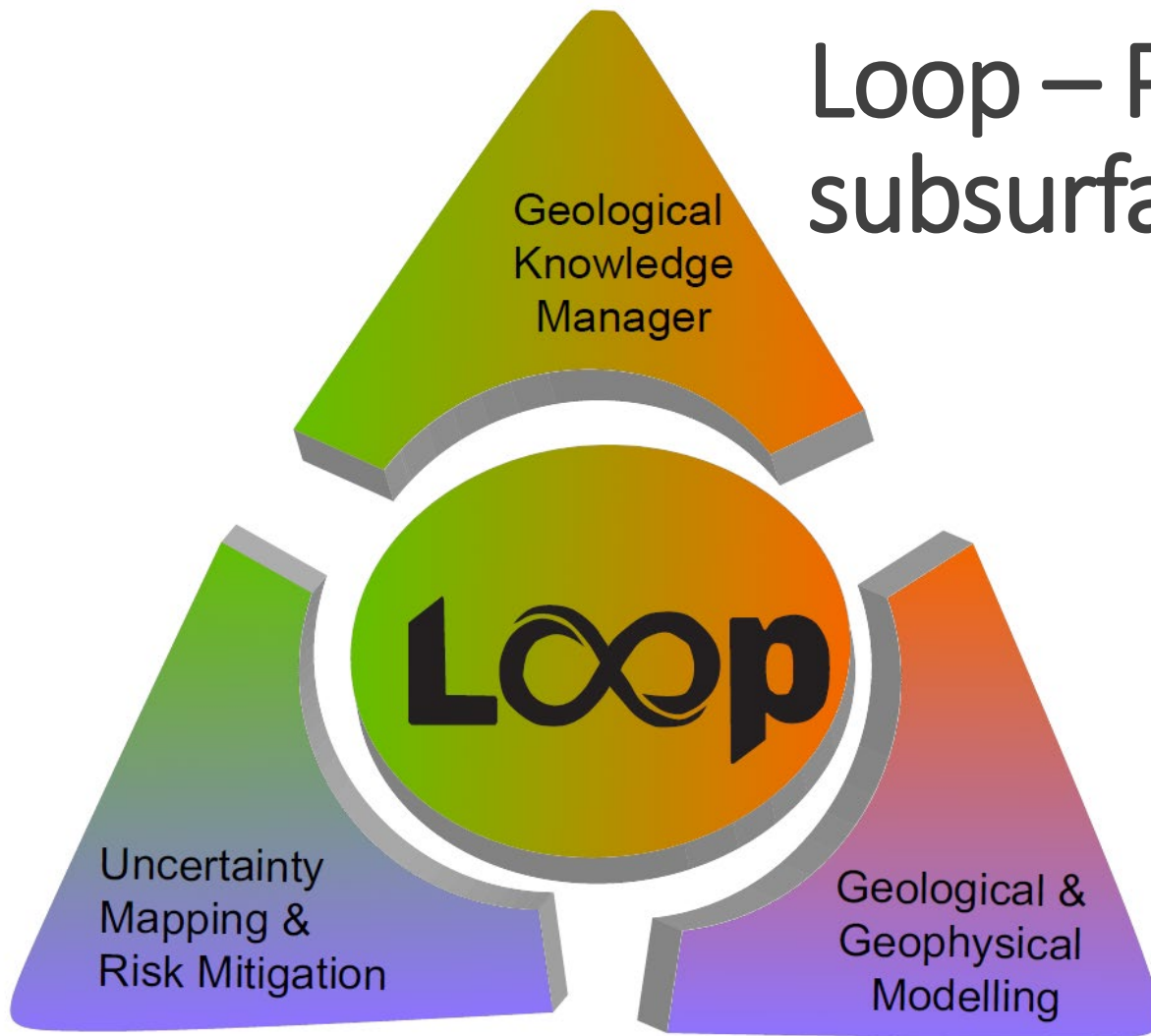


Partner Organisations



Loop – Providing Solutions for subsurface resources management

- **Geological Knowledge Manager**
 - FAIR data / FAIR software
 - Map2loop: automated knowledge/data extraction from digital maps
 - Use more knowledge / use knowledge more
 - Encoding geological rules



An integrated and interoperable platform enabling
3D stochastic geological modelling

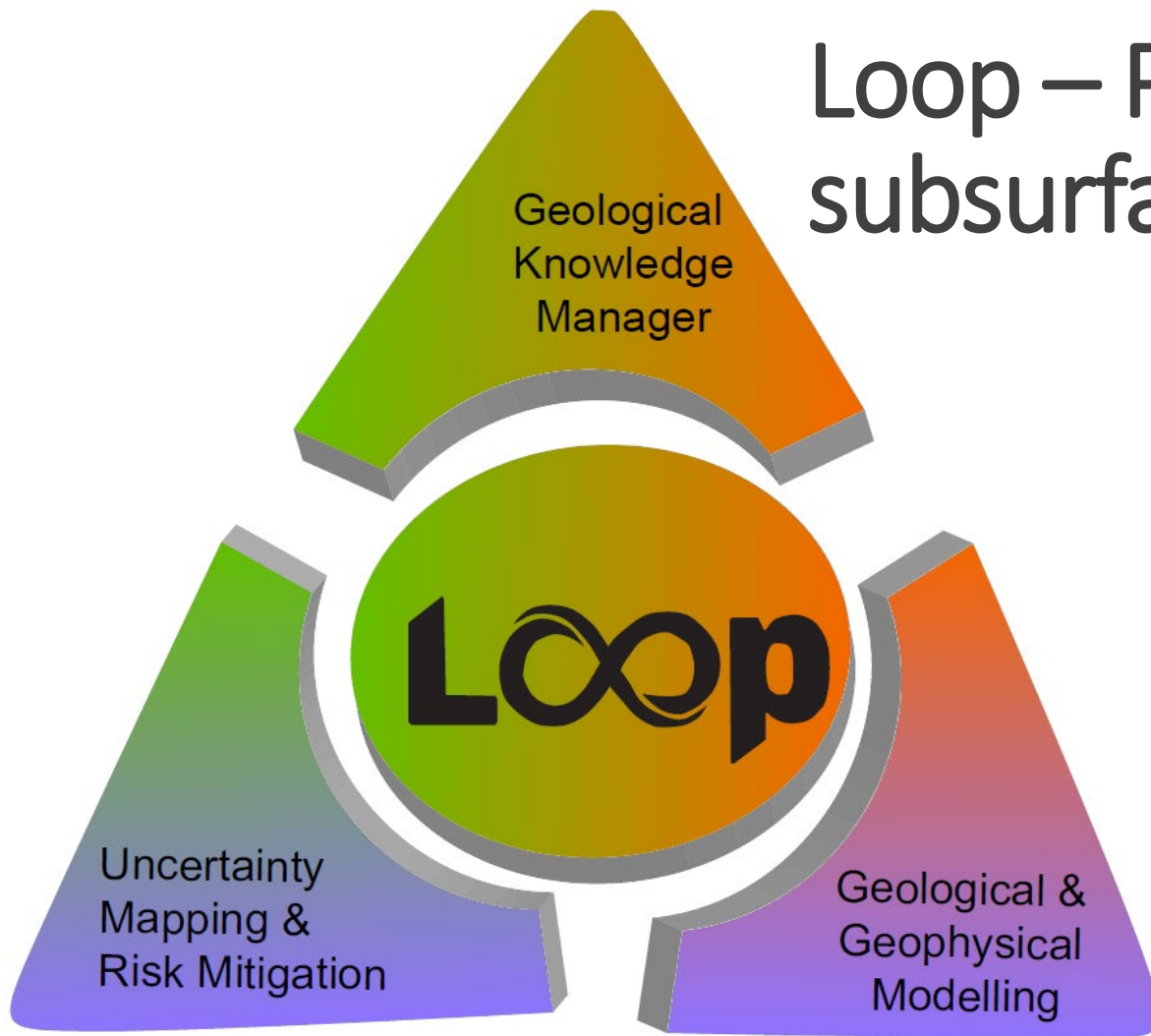
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- . Accelerated decision making and testing (the ability to make quicker, more efficient decisions and to test them early)
- . Understanding and reducing risk

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Loop – Providing Solutions for subsurface resources management

- **3D Geological and Geophysical Modelling**
 - Encoding structural geological rules
 - Developing new geologically and petrophysically constrained inversion methods
 - Developing joint geology/geophysics inversions



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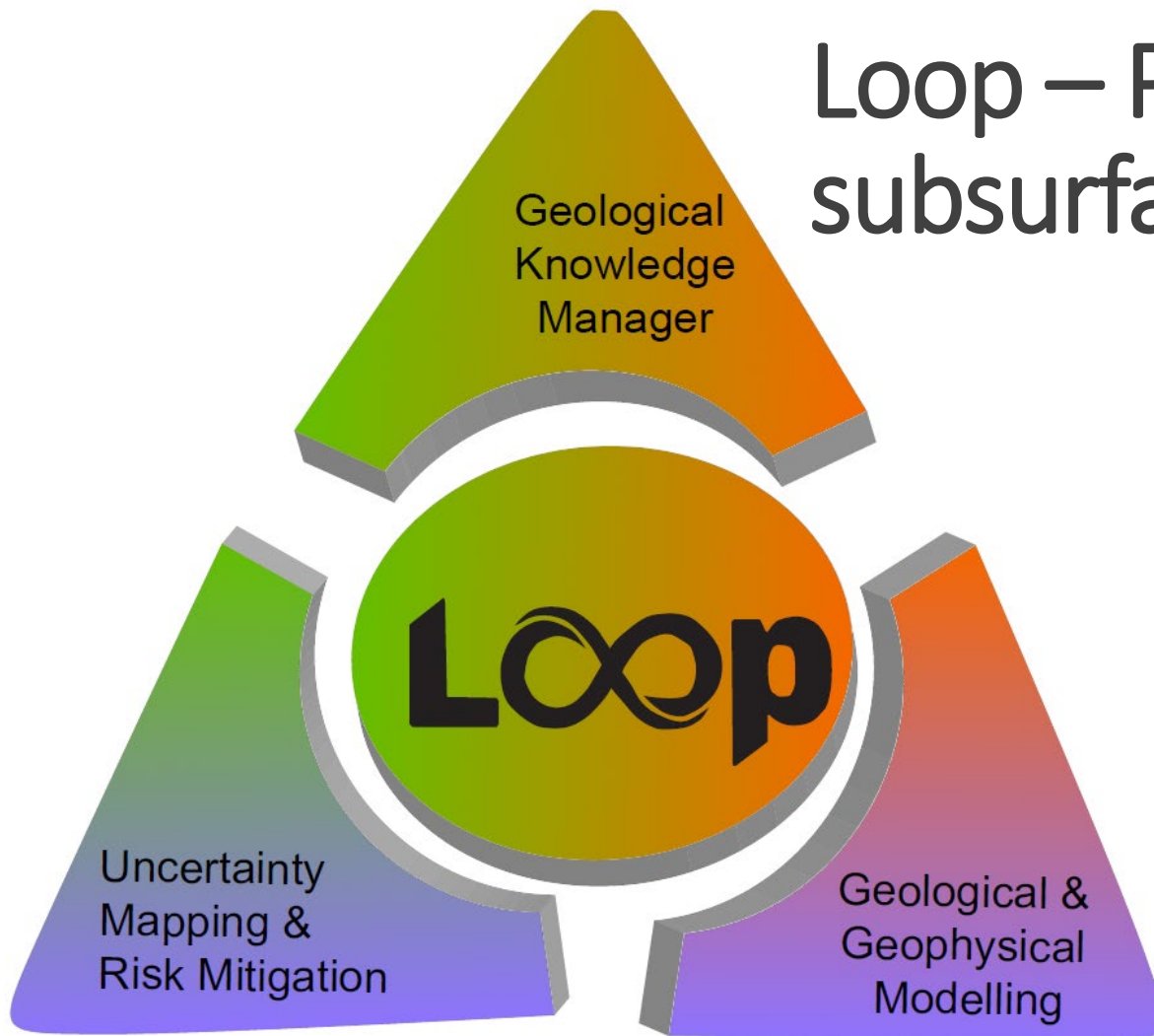
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Loop – Providing Solutions for subsurface resources management

- **Uncertainty Mapping & Risk Mitigation**
 - Geological simulations
 - Bayesian modelling
 - Value of information
 - Decision making enabler



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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?



Funding Leverage

- ARC LP + MinEx CRC P6 + DECRA \approx \$5.6M research expenditure
- Sponsors investment leverage of between 10:1 to 170:1

Loop in Numbers

- 7 in-kind CI
- 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
- 5 countries, 3 continents



Loop, people and inclusivity

- PhD: 7 women vs 5 men 😊
- Research staff: 24 men vs 3 women 😞
- Speakers at the mid-Loop sponsor review meeting: 22 men vs 2 women 😞
- The Monash panel pledge: Making sure that “manels” do not happen anymore and gender balance is at least attempted in meetings program
- What can we do?
 - During meetings: make sure all voices are heard, even the quiet ones – let’s not talk over each other
 - Future recruiting: make sure the short list has at least one woman on it and re-advertise widely if not
 - Candidate referees lists should be inclusive
 - Use of Women in STEM network and databases (e.g. WOMEESA and many others)

Governance

- One Steering Committee:
 - Chair: Carina Kemp
 - Members:
 - Laurent Ailleres (Monash / lead-CI)
 - 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)

Governance

- Research and Development team:

- Lead-CI:

- Laurent Ailleres (Monash)

- 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)

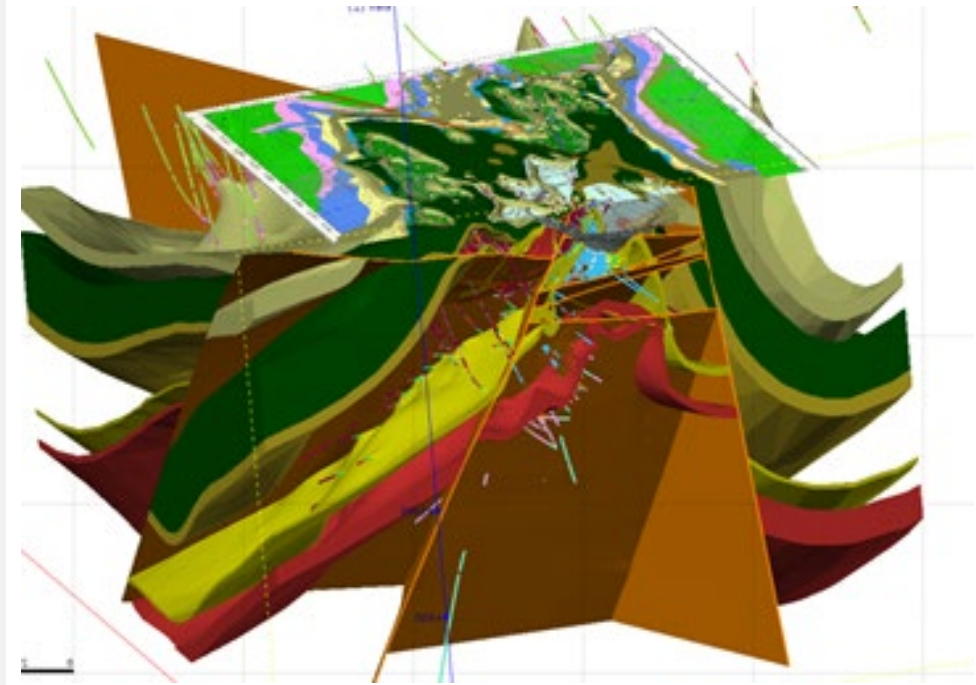


Detail Progress report follows



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**



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

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

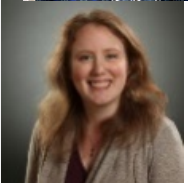
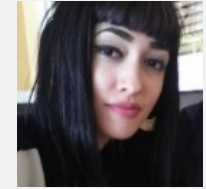
People – leverage of collaborative research in open source

- 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 – ontology of geology // knowledge manager (In-kind)
Michael Hillier – (staff and new PhD @ RWTH Aachen) Interpolant constrained by anisotropy
Marion Parquer - post-doc // interpolants and agents (new position @ GSC)
- BGS: Edd Lewis, Russell Lawley, Katherine Royse (CDO BGS)



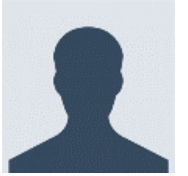
The most important resource: People! (PhD)

- 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, 1/9/2019) (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)
- Optimal drilling on uncertain terrains (Babak Ghane) (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 April 2020) (APA)



WP #0 – Infrastructure // Software Development

Is work on track against plan? update all deliverables






Work completed ☐ On track ☒ Delayed ☐ Problem ☐ Will not happen ☐ New ☐

- ☐ 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 update almost complete**
Comments welcome on the new design
- ☐ 4. Recruiting one senior software engineer with knowledge of software architecture. Roy Thomson started mid July
- ☐ 5. Recruiting a software developer: Yohan de Rose will start second half of October
- ☒ 6. Data structure / API's design by Sept 2019 (was June 2019) : completed – refined python implementation of data structures for WP 2 and 3 and commenced work on WP1,4,5 components and C++/Fortran versions (ongoing)
- ☐ 7. Report on redefinition of the work packages / report of meeting / Distributed via email, google drive and slack

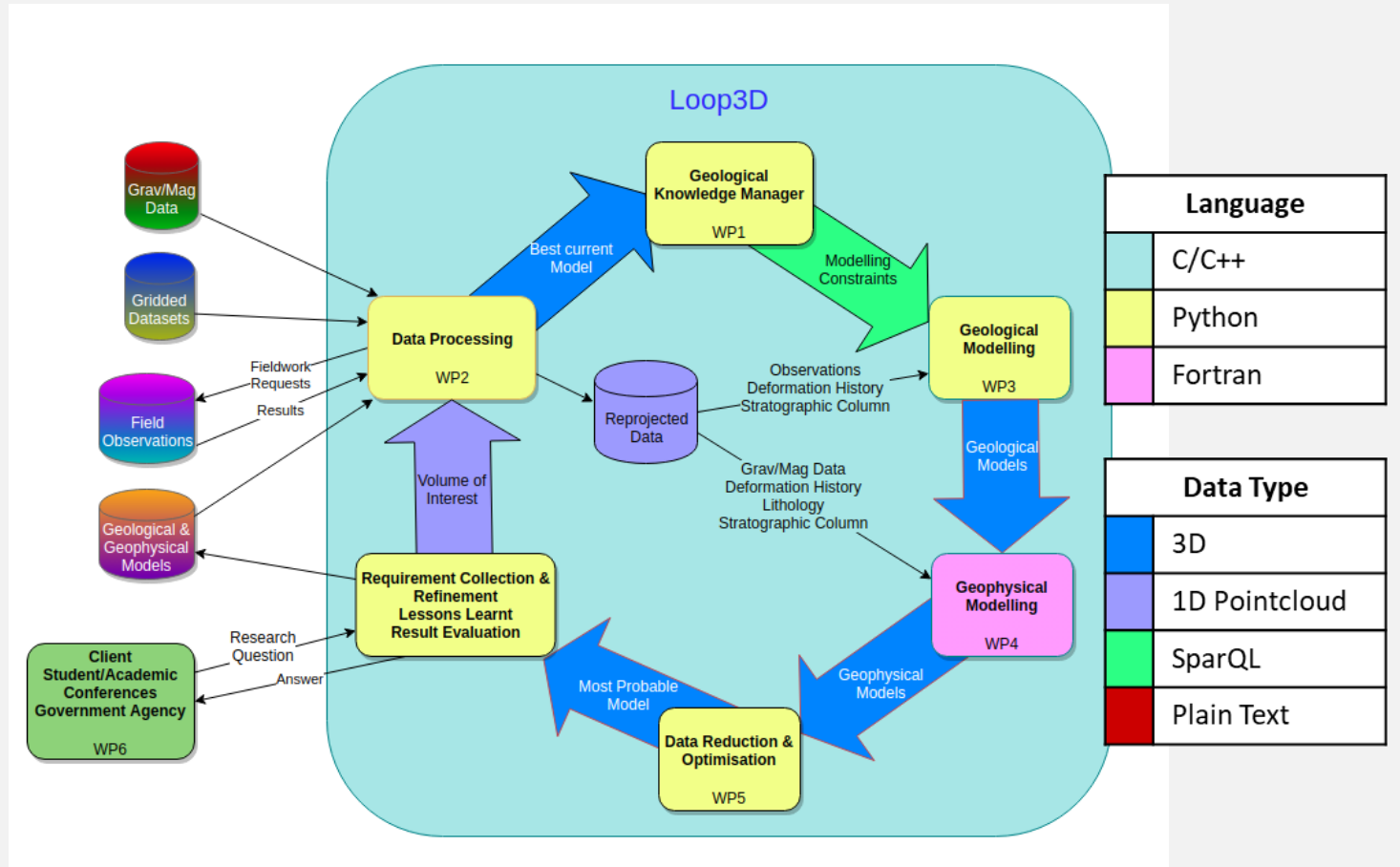
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-  9. Software architecture: (ongoing) First-pass UI design complete and data passing from online sources, reprojected, sampled, used in forward inverse structural modelling and displayed, moving to incorporate further WP software modules and add online data sources (GADDs2, OneGeology)
-  10. Collate deliverables / milestones of all WP's by start of Feb 2019 (done) and ongoing with updates (delayed Q2)
-  11. Engage with Auscope to assess their level of support: ongoing // involved in the current strategic planning meetings and proposals.
-  12. Manage Quarterly reports (ongoing quarterly)
-  13. 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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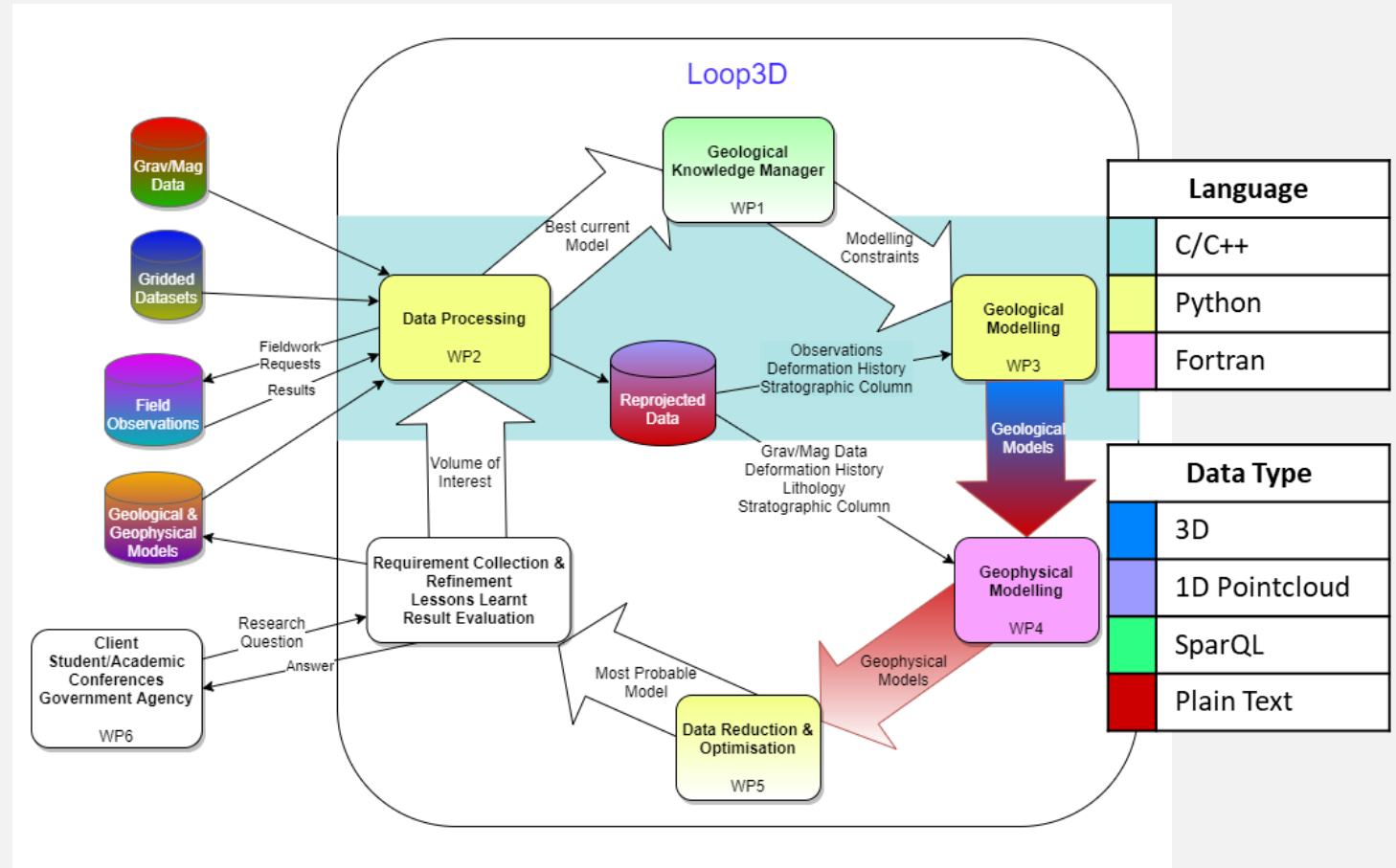


Loop Workflow

Data Types are to be encoded in a single netCDF project file (with .loop3d extension)

Loop

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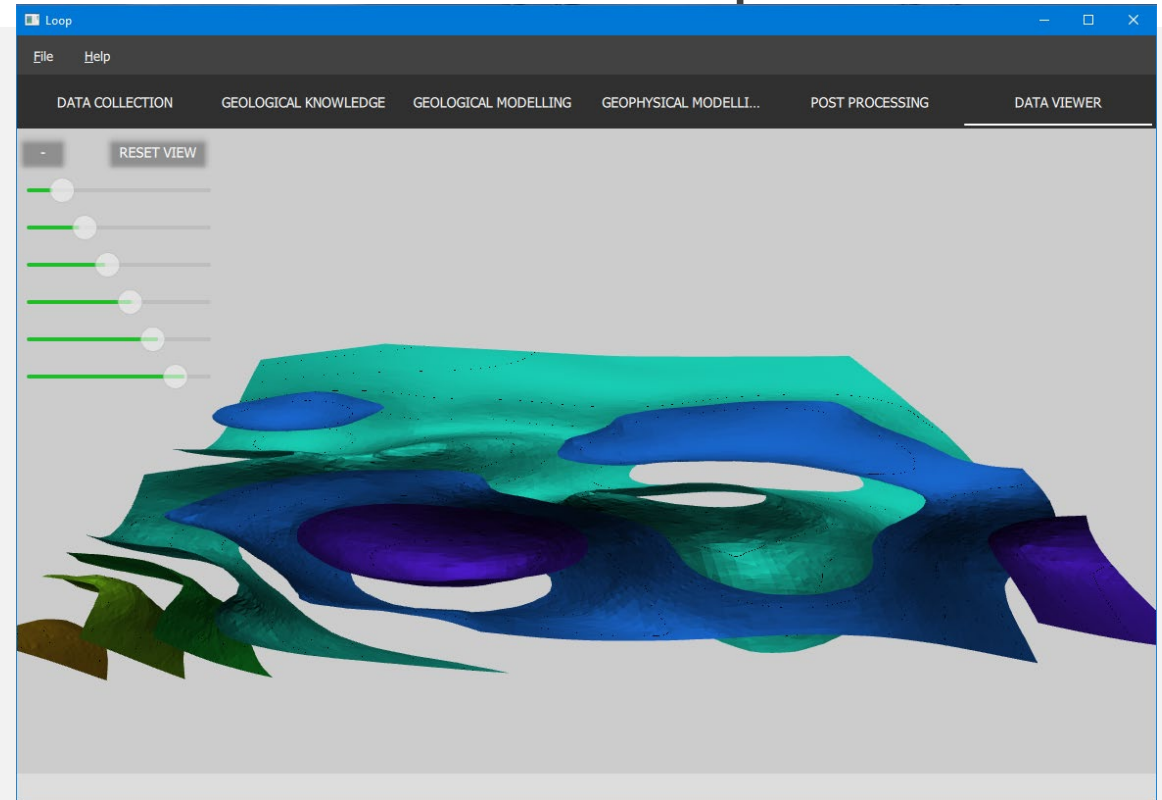
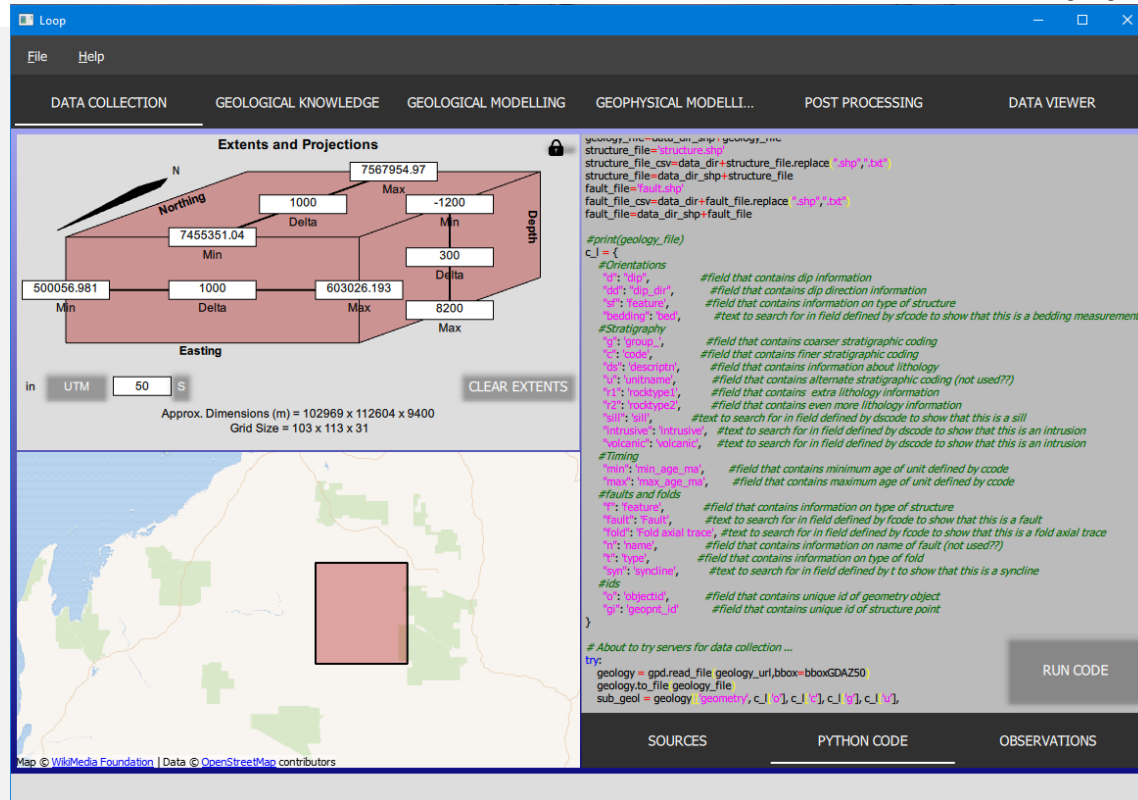
Implemented Workflow

Python version of NetCDF data structures completed

Further progress towards inclusion of WP1 & WP5



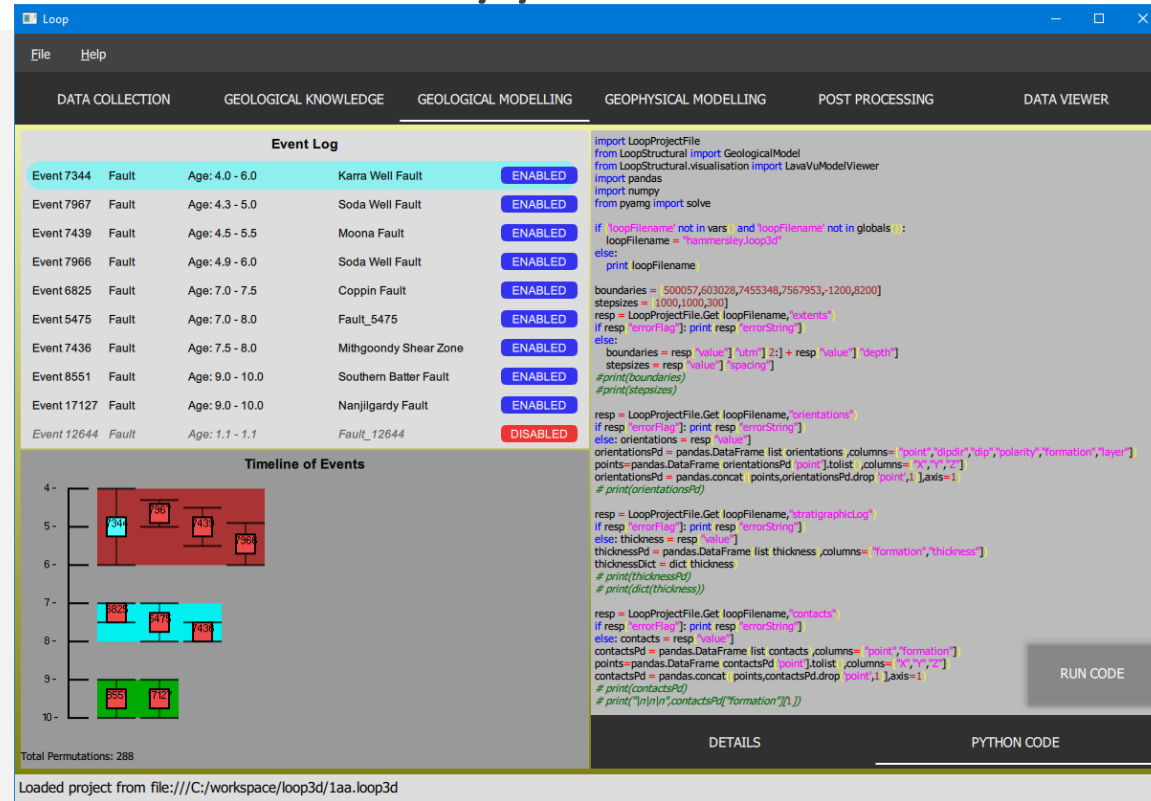
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Left – GUI in construction showing the workflow to modelling. First step: setting the model volume of interest and running WP2 map2loop to extract data for modelling (WP #1 & 2).
Right: iso-slices through a first pass LoopStructural model of the Hammersley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

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WP #0 – Infrastructure // Software Development



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



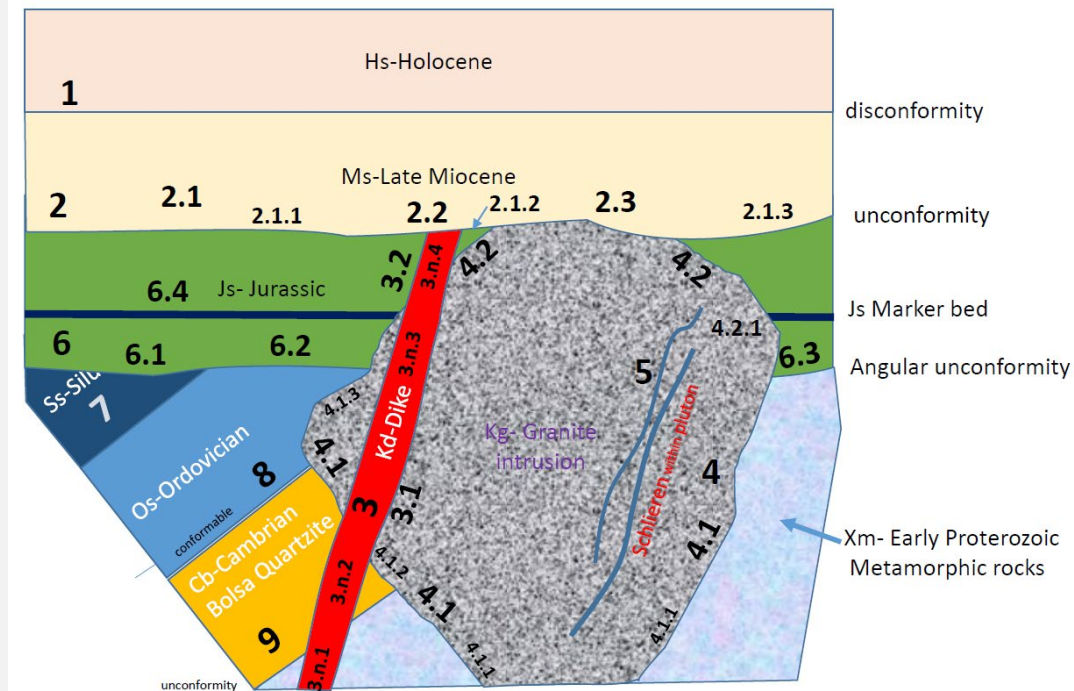
WP #1 – Geoscience Knowledge Manager

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| <input type="radio"/> 1. Task: Establish working group membership and procedures. membership. | Deliverable: working group |
| <input type="radio"/> 2. Task: recruit one knowledge representation geoscientist. | Deliverable: staffing contract. |
| <input type="radio"/> 3. Task: develop draft <i>geoscience knowledge manager</i> (GKM) architecture. | Deliverable: draft GKM implementation. |
| <input type="radio"/> 4. Task: develop draft <i>geoscience knowledge ontology</i> (GKO). | Deliverable: draft GKO encoding & notes |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> 5. Task: develop <i>knowledge capture methods</i> , populate GKO and GKM. | Deliverable: knowledge (test) in GKM. |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> 6. Task: evaluate GKM access and explore <i>usage scenarios</i> (with WPs). | Deliverable: GKM query patterns. |

WP #1 – Geoscience Knowledge Manager



WP #2 – Data Pre-Processing & input

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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
- ☐ 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

WP #2 – Data Pre-Processing & input

Planned code blocks

WP 2 Code Blocks

Other Loop WP Code Blocks

External Data Sources

Databases

OPeNDAP Servers

WxS Servers

Loop Information Manager

WP 1 Geoscience Knowledge Manager

OGC Format/CRS

structure points; strat (map & drillhole); geophysics, map polygons

Data Up/Down Scaling

Knowledge Extraction e.g. Topology

WP 6 Training, case studies and TOK

WP 3 Geomodeller Engine

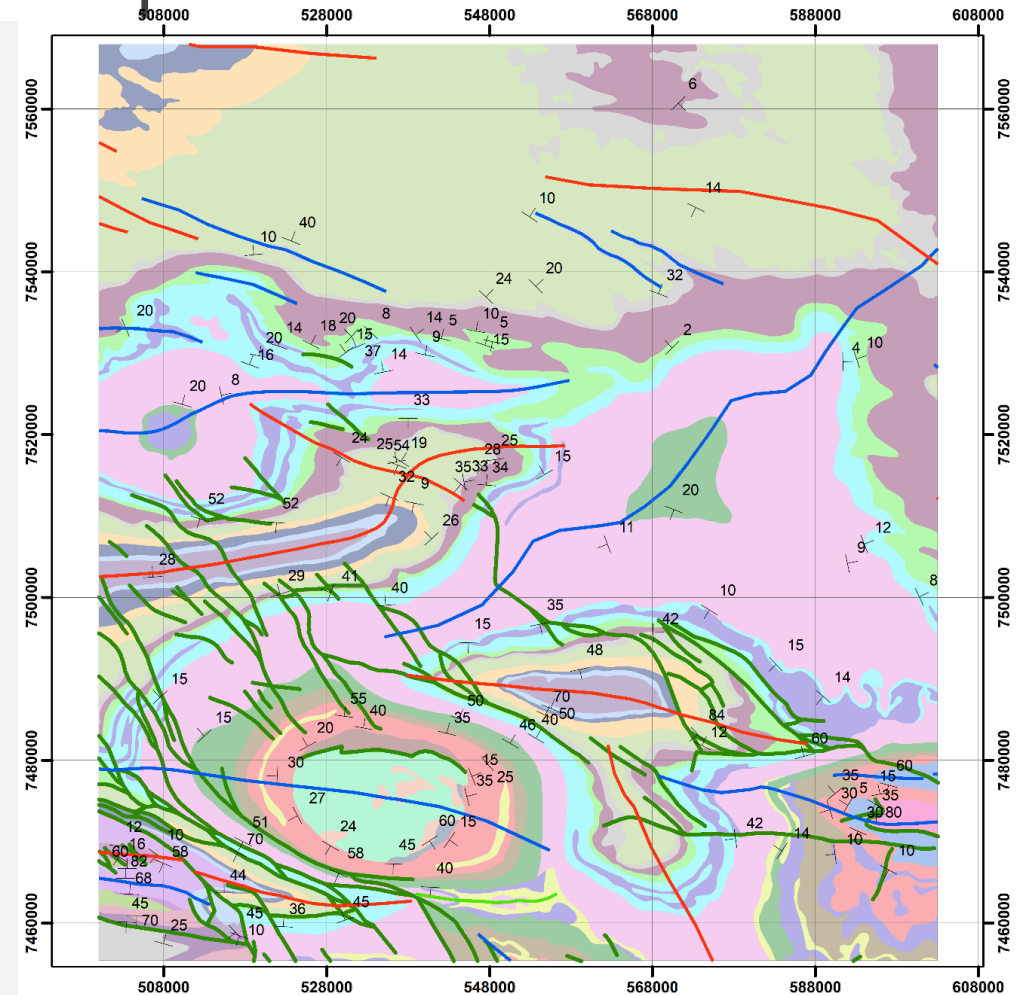
WP 5 Uncertainty Engine

WP 4 Geophysics Engine

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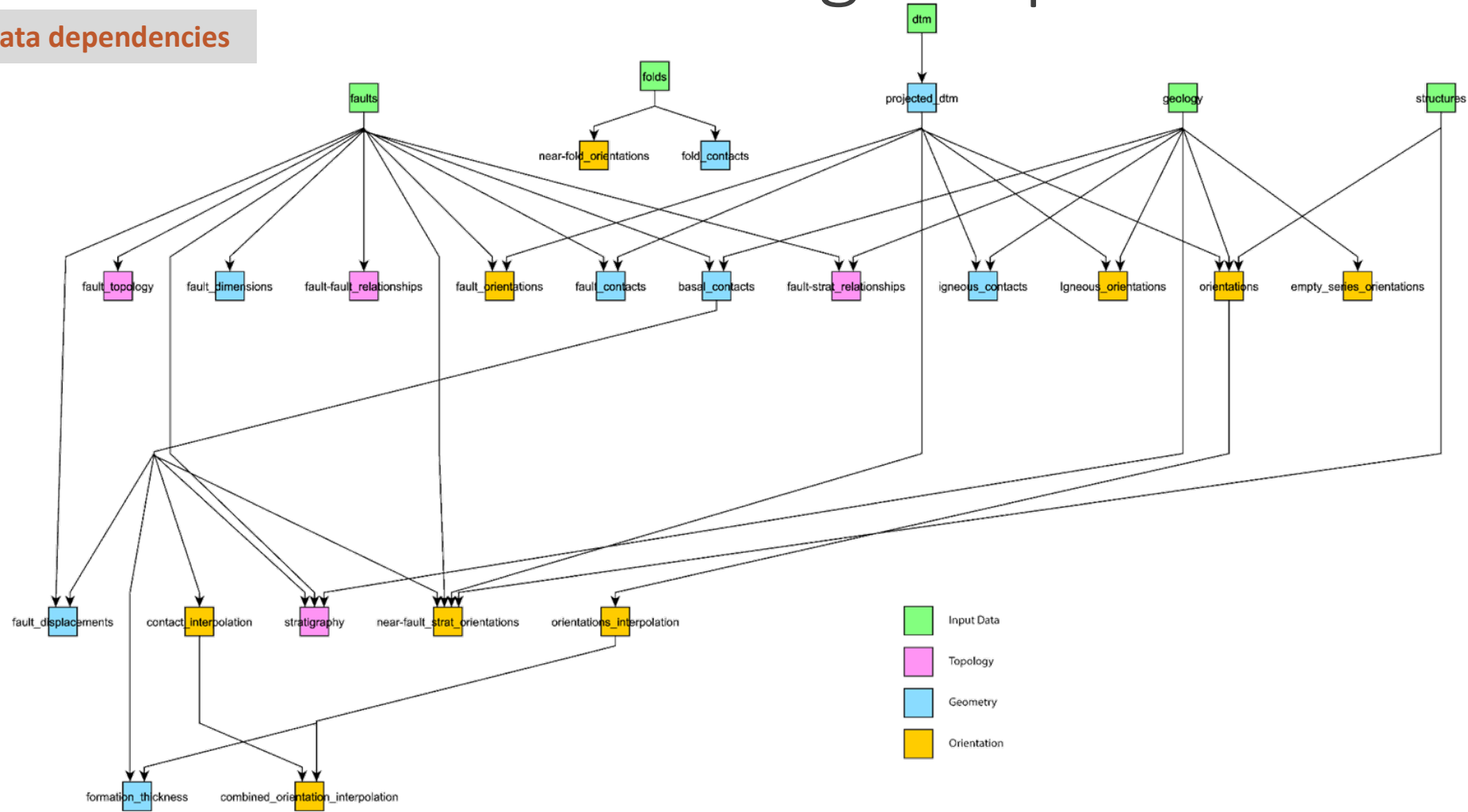
Map2loop proof of concept

- 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



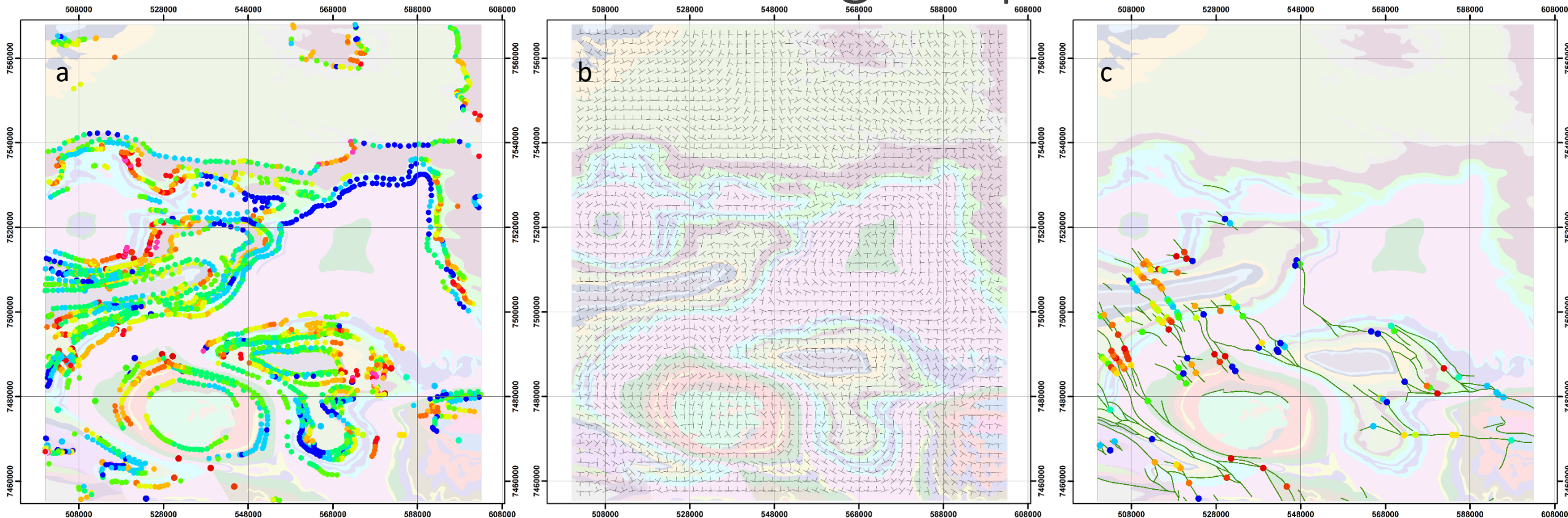
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Map2loop // Data dependencies



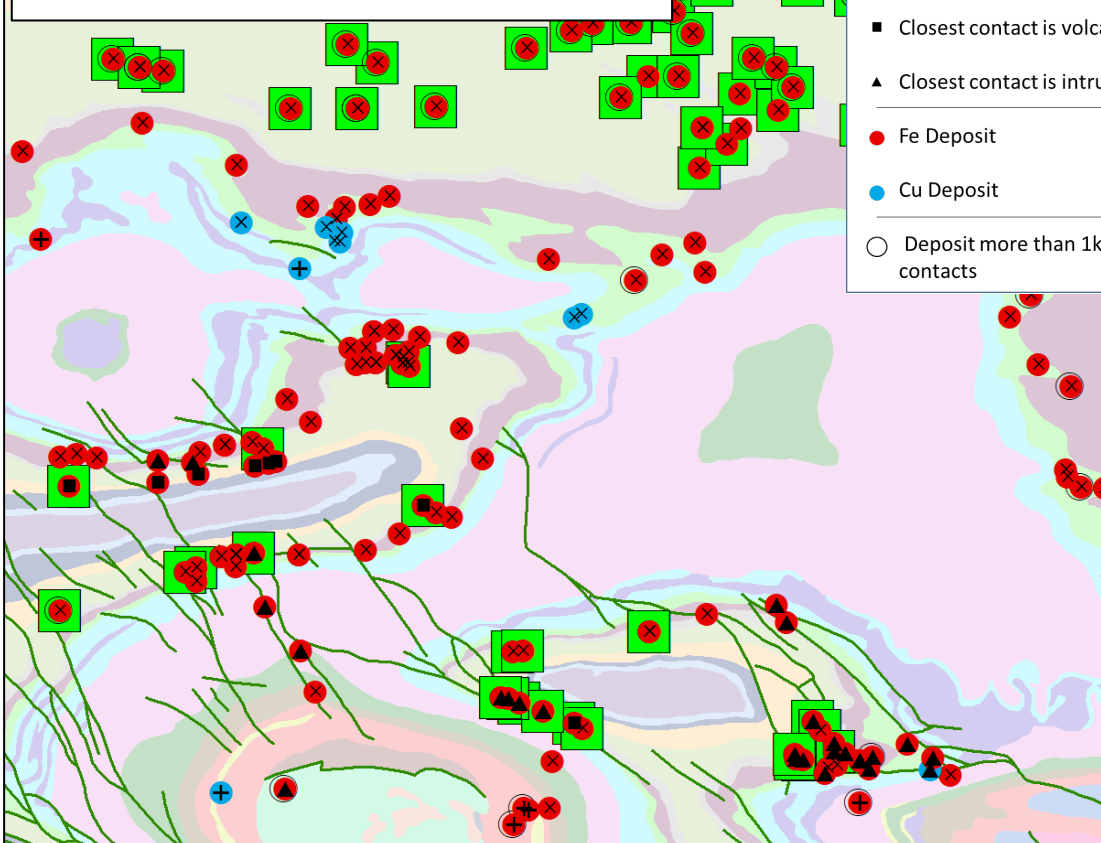
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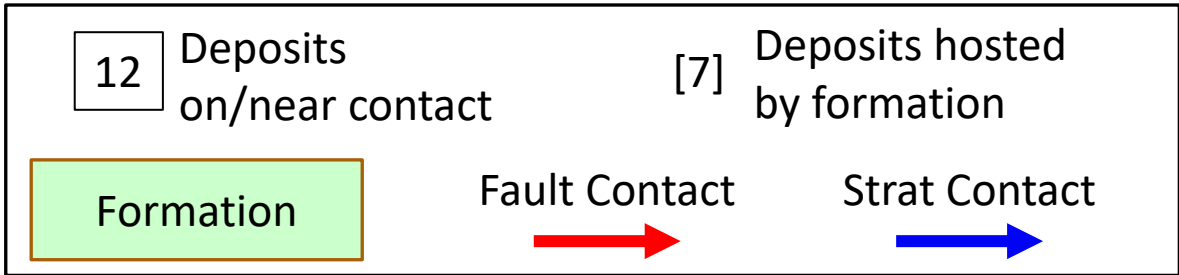
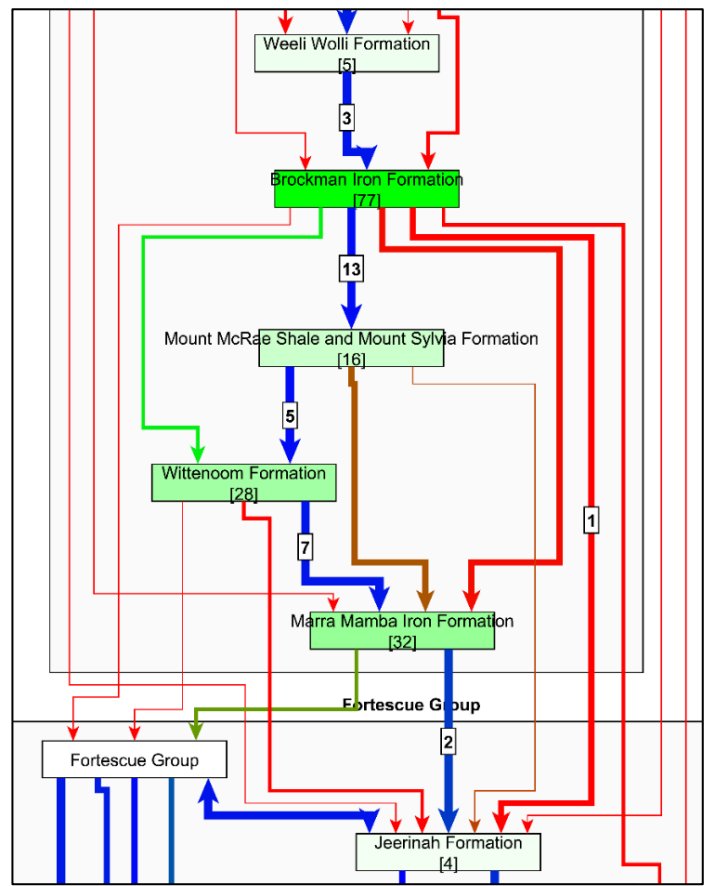
Map2loop // Secondary geological information automatically derived from maps. a) Normalised local formation thickness (hotter colours show thicker formations) b) Interpolated estimated bedding orientations for the Hamersely and Fortescue Groups c) Apparent fault throw (hotter colours show larger throw)

Litho-structural mineralisation context



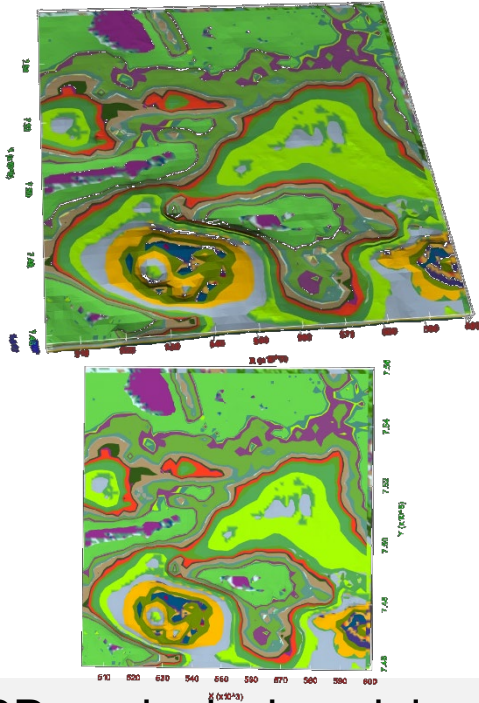
- Hosted by Brockman Iron Formation
- x Closest contact is stratigraphic
- + Closest contact is a fault
- Closest contact is volcanic
- ▲ Closest contact is intrusive
- Fe Deposit
- Cu Deposit
- Deposit more than 1km at surface from any contacts

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

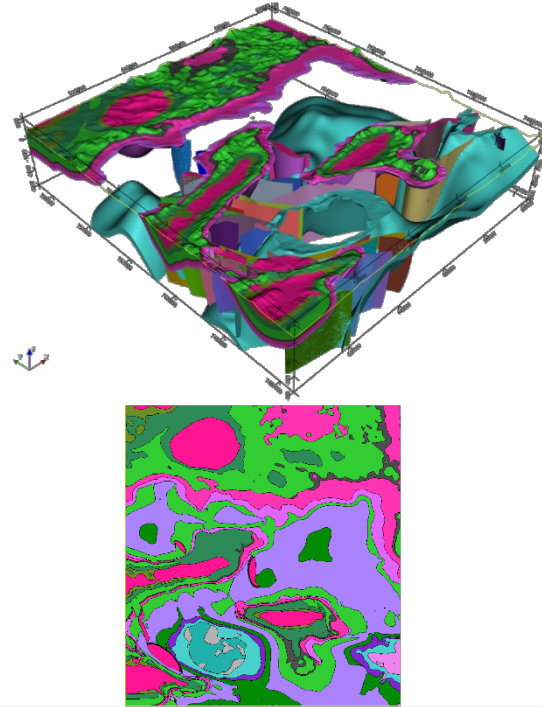


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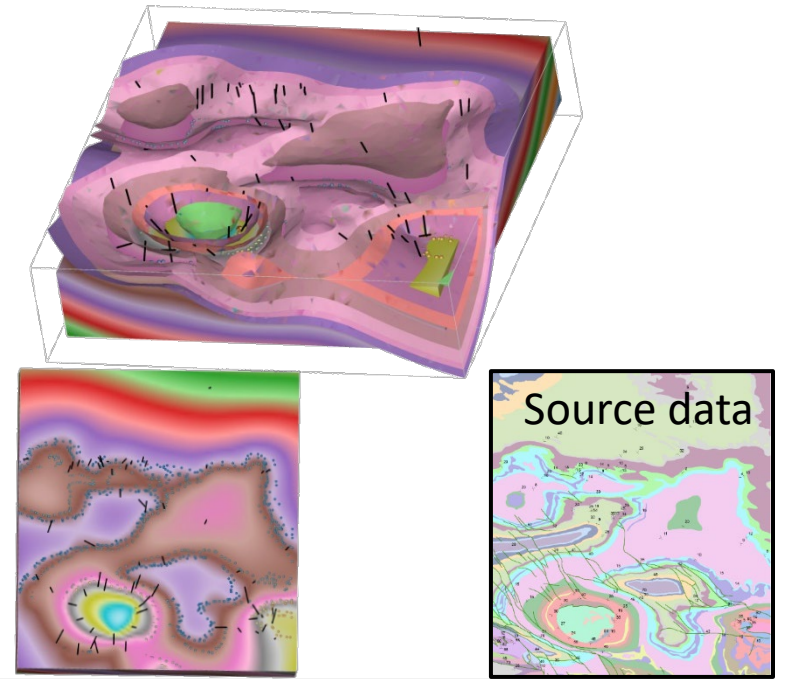
gempy



Geomodeller



LoopStructural

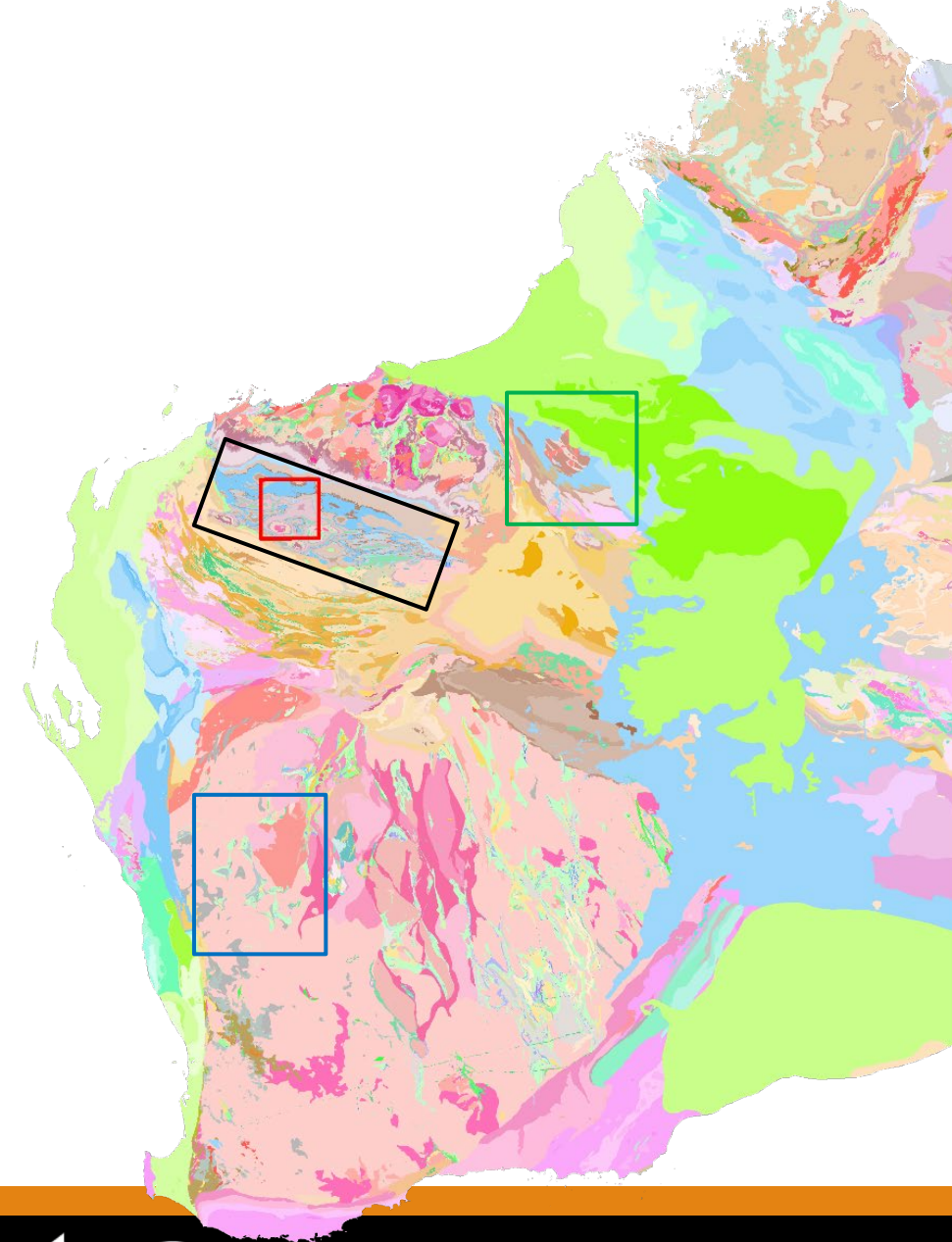


3D geological model produced using the input data created by map2loop. Top row: 3D model with some layers rendered transparent in the Geomodeller mode to highlight subsurface fault relationships. gempy and LoopStructural have no faults (yet). Lower row: top surface of the geology.

WP #2 – Data Pre-Processing & input

Map2loop-current activities

- a) Refactoring of map2loop code: (Yohan de Rose, Monash University)
 - a) Ease of installation
 - b) Conform code to Loop standards
- b) Testing of map2loop code
 - a) Mark Jessell Proof of concept
 - b) Nishka Piechocka (MRIWA 577 Hamersley project)
 - c) Fabiele Dalmaso Spode (MRIWA 521/554 Paterson/Basins projects)
 - d) Raneer Joshi Yalgoo Singleton GSB
- c) Seeking additional funding for drillhole analysis from Auscope & MinEx CRC Opportunity funds



WP #3 – LoopStructural

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- ☐ 1. Python library: FME has been renamed to LoopStructural
- ☒ 2. 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 FME



WP #3 – LoopStructural

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-  7. Loop Structural mailing list created with 25 people currently (<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

WP #3 – LoopStructural

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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
-  17. Started to discuss link with geophysical codes
-  18. Implemented probabilistic fold modelling using EMCEE sampler

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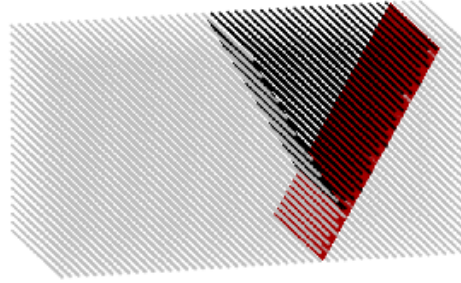
- ☒ 19. Implemented probabilistic faults displacement modelling
- ☒ 20. Discussing link with WP4/5
- ☒ 21. Ability to create model from parameter dictionary that can be saved as a .yaml or .json file

WP #3 – LoopStructural

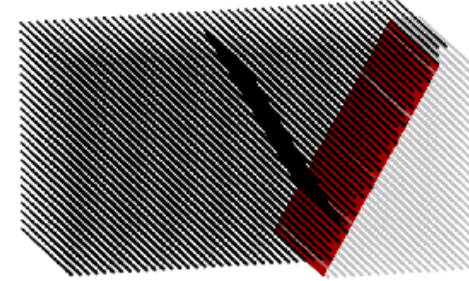
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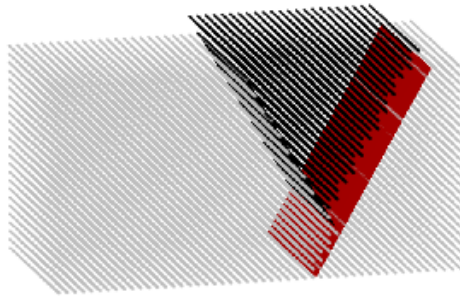
B. Model support before restoration



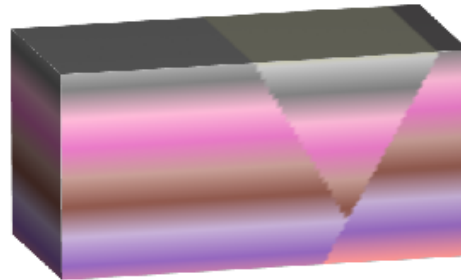
C. Model support restored by main fault



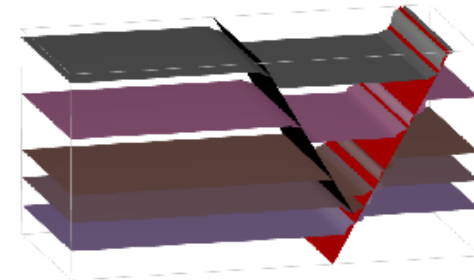
D. Model support restored by antithetic fault



E. Interpolated stratigraphy scalar field

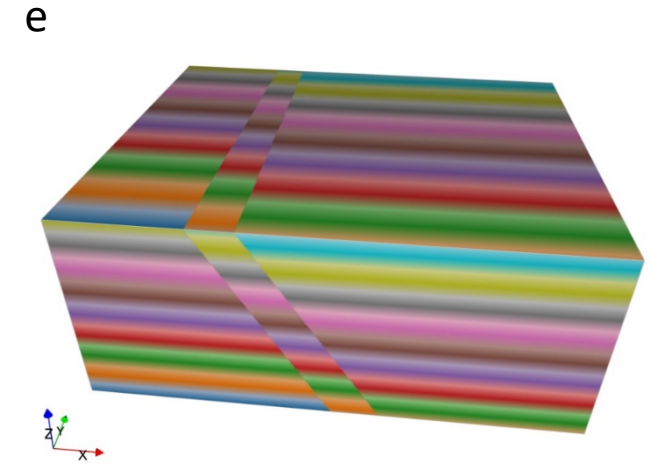
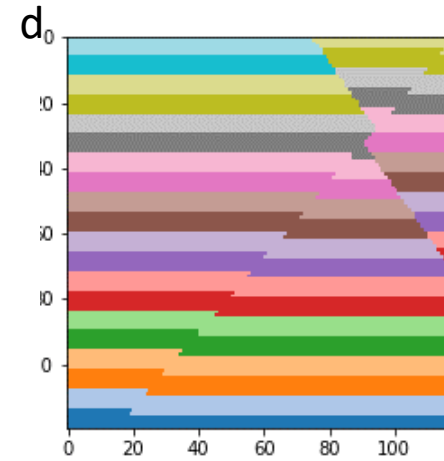
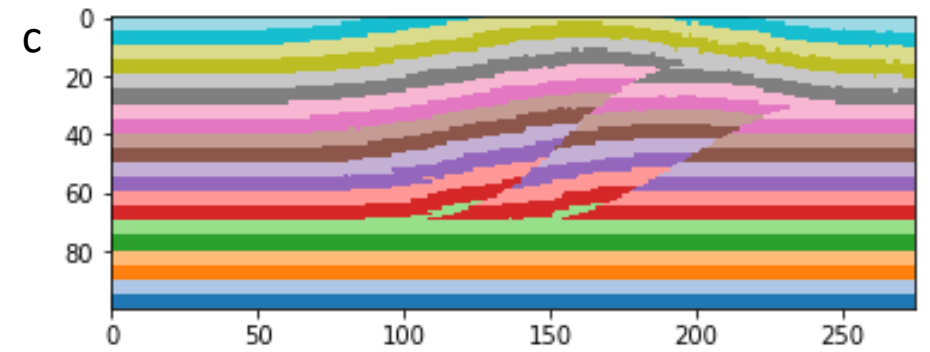
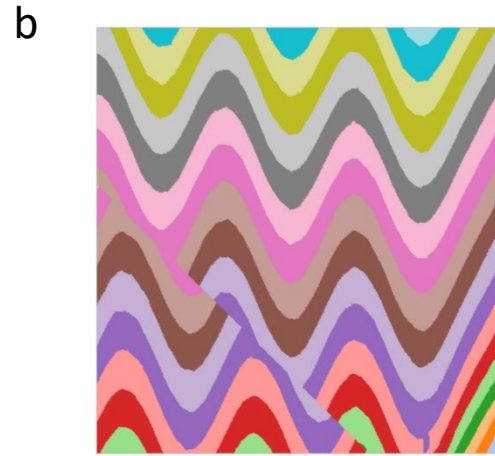
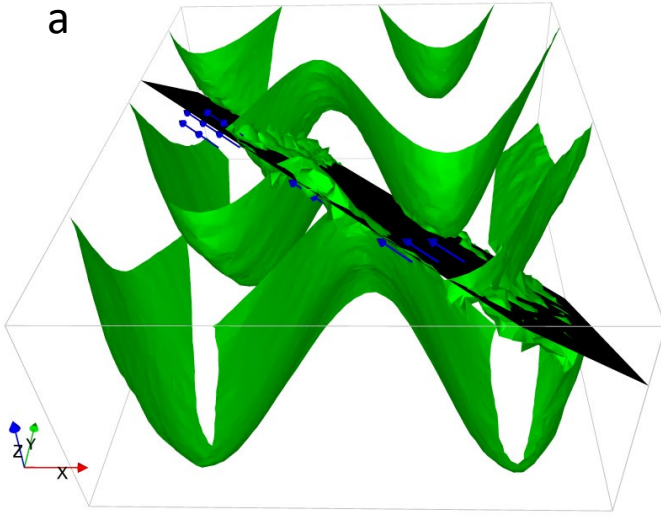


F. Isosurfaces extracted from scalar field



Implicit fault network for a graben with antithetic faulting.

WP #3 – LoopStructural



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.

WP #3 – LoopStructural

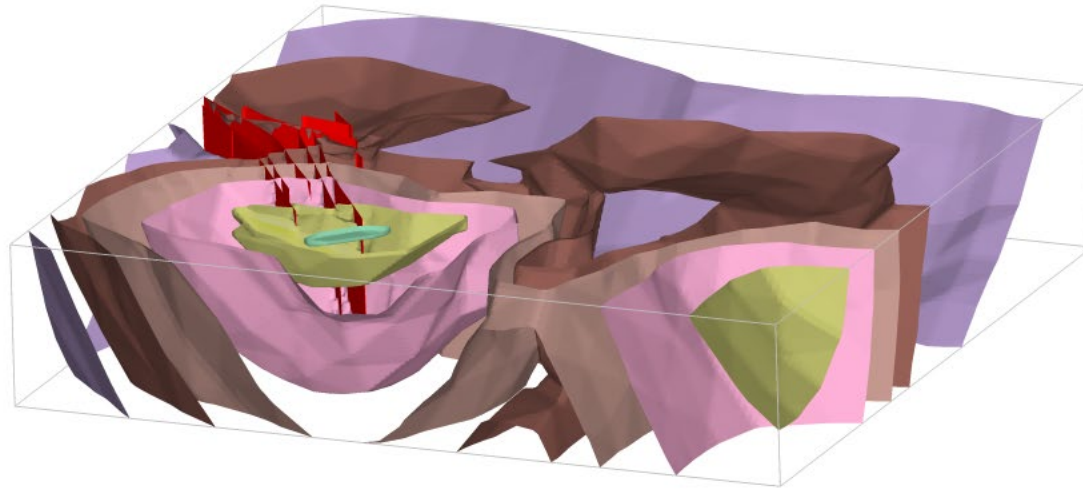
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  fold_frame=fold_frame['feature'],
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  av_fold_axis='True',
  solver='lu')
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Example of new streamlined api for modelling a folded foliation



WP #3 – LoopStructural



Loop structural modelling using map2loop output
and including faults

WP #3 – LoopStructural

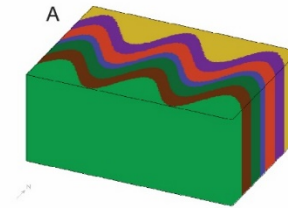
Sampling structural data

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.

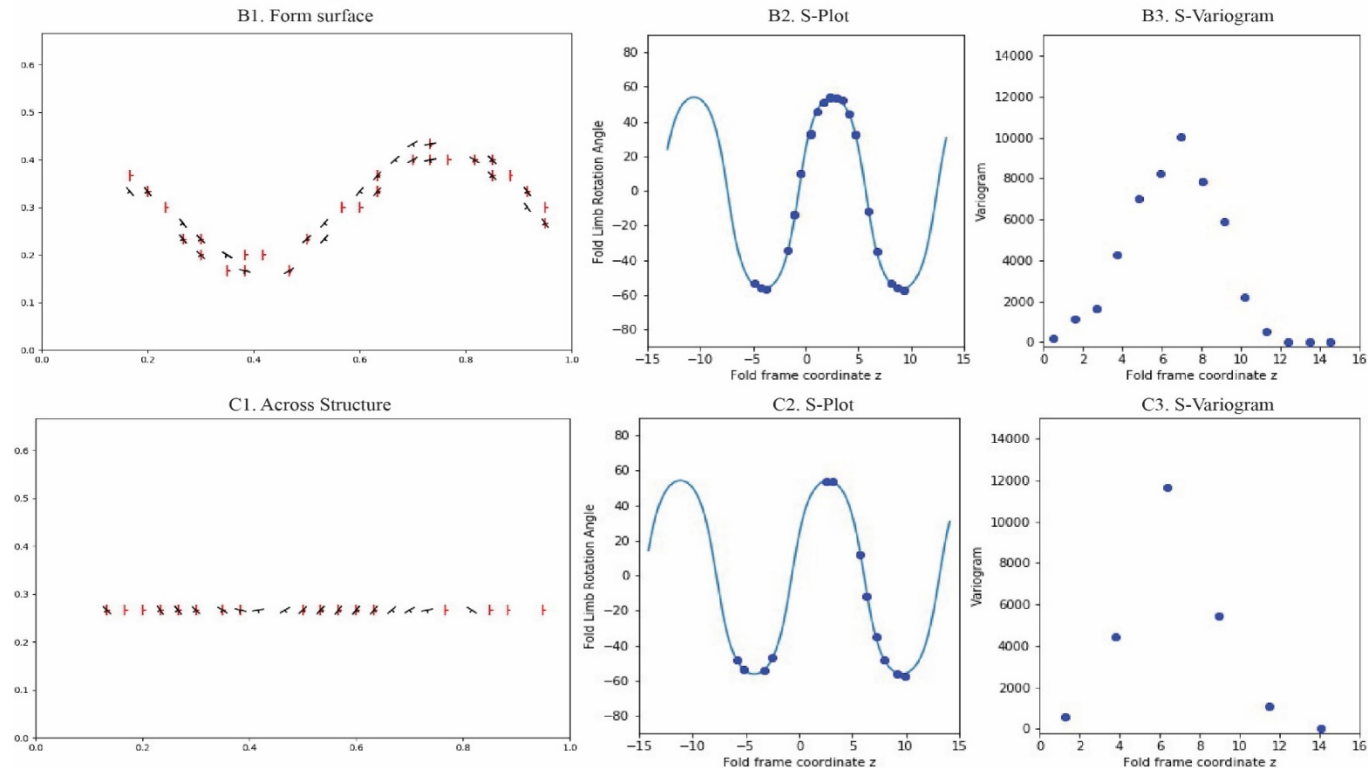
B-C1,2,3 are respectively the input dataset, the S-Plot of the resulting model and the S-Variogram.

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.



Wavelength : 20 000 m
Amplitude : 7 000 m
Fold axis : Vertical

Form surface sampling
versus
Across structure sampling



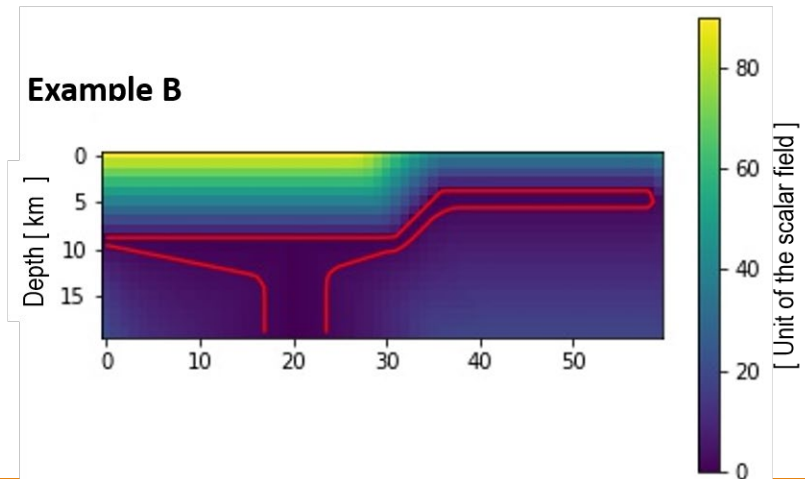
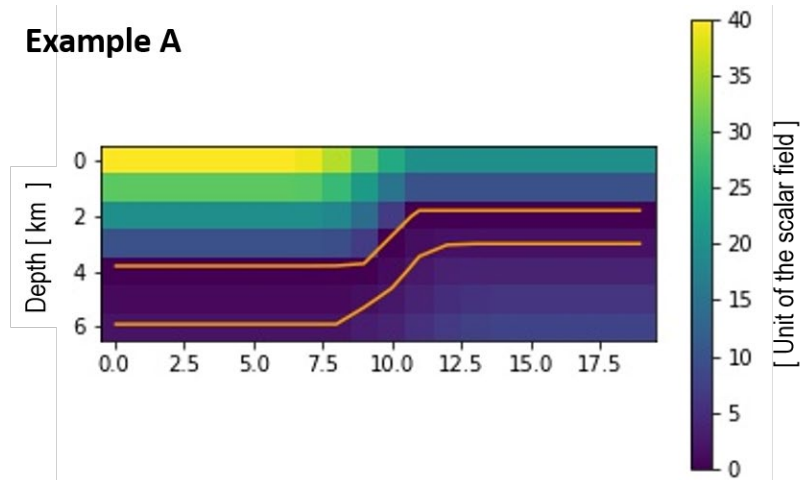
WP #3 – LoopStructural

Modelling intrusions

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

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

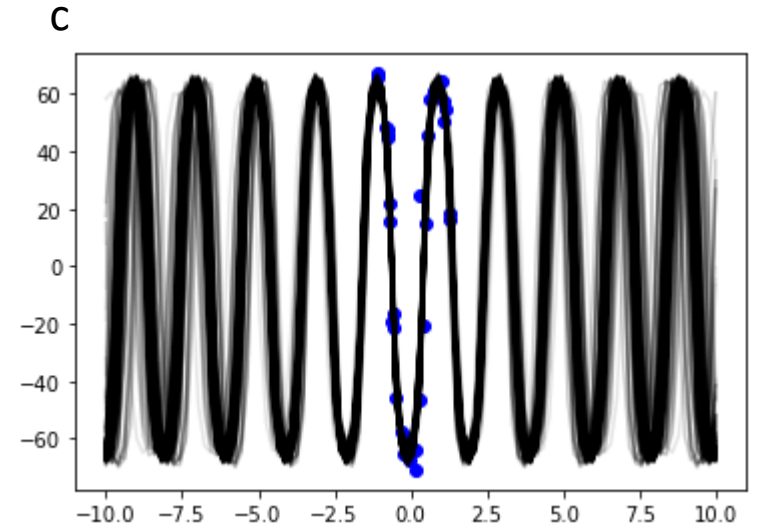
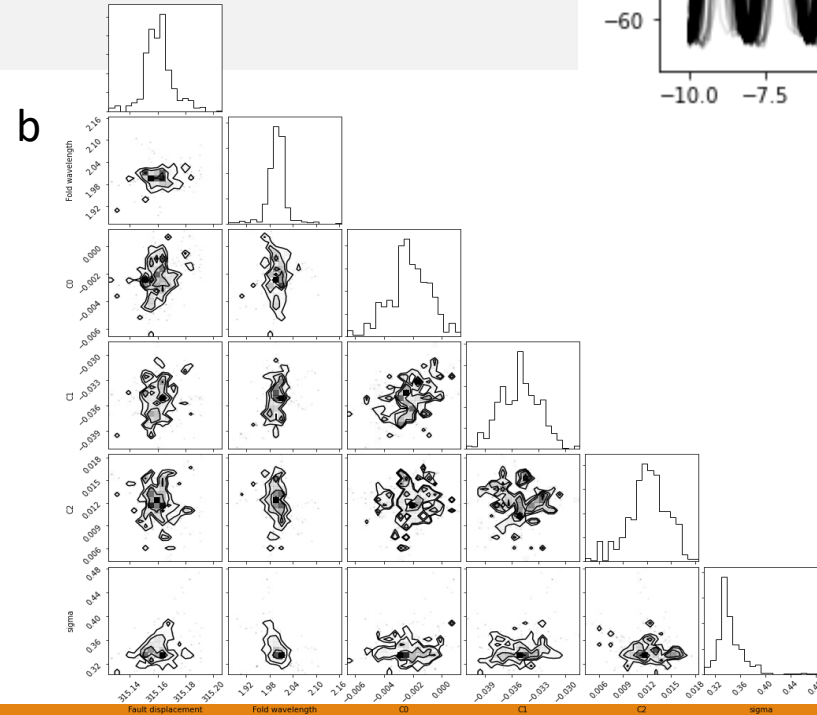
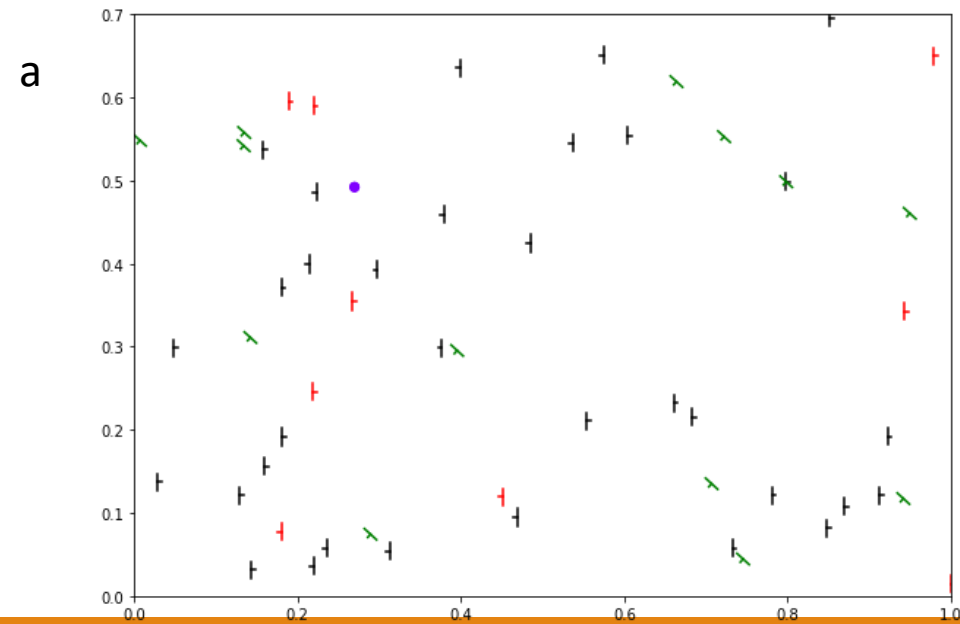
Example B: Feeder-sill-dyke-sill transition. Red contour shows scalar field $\phi(p) = 2$.



WP #3 – LoopStructural

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.



WP #4 – Integrated Geophysical Inversion


Is work on track against plan? update all deliverables







Work completed ☐ On track ☒ Delayed ☐ Problem ☐ Will not happen ☐ New ☐

- ☒ 1. GLoop/Tomofast-related or potentially related journal papers under review: x2 with moderate revisions in GJI and Geophysics.
- ☐ 2. Gloop-related paper published in Solid Earth.
- ☒ 3. Redaction of paper towards public release of Tomofast-x inversion platform in progress.
- ☐ 4. Redefining file formats for I/O to abide by recognized standards.
- ☐ 5. Documentation of Tomofast and 2D simplified version: Nuwan to start working on editing it and do website.
- ☐ 6. Collaboration with Dr Aline Melo (UFMG, Brasil) to model Borborema province (Brasil). Attempt to resume but maternity leave; potentially restart in July.

WP #4 – Integrated Geophysical Inversion

Is work on track against plan? update all deliverables

Work completed  On track  Delayed  Problem  Will not happen  New 

-  7. Model Intercomparison Project – discussed in Busselton; model to be chosen/designed in discussion.
-  8. Implicit functions (level-set) to define geometries in geophysical inversion: case study performed, paper submitted.
-  9. Sub-consortium to support student(s) to extend Tomofast application to IP/Res: suitable student not found.
-  10. Potential new collaboration(s): discussions with Memorial Uni. of Newfoundland.
-  11. Damien Ciolczyk 's internship (6 month, double degree ENSG-EOST) to study geophysical signatures of geological archetypes: delayed for admin reasons and because of covid-19.
-  12. Started joint project with CSIRO on probabilistic MT/potential fields integration. Participation in supervision of MinEx/Loop student.

WP #4 – Integrated Geophysical Inversion

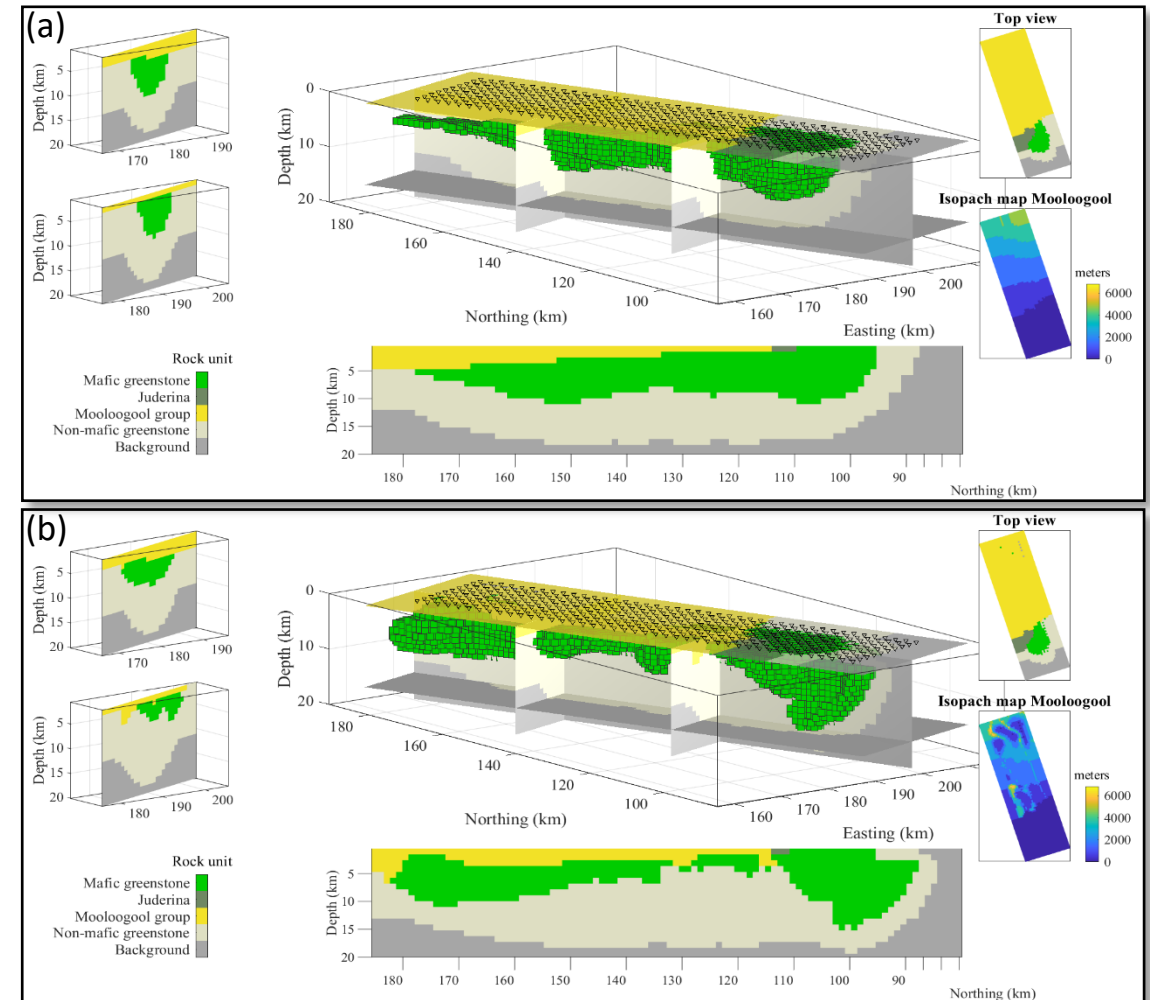
Results of gravity data inversion using level-set formulation of geometries to adjust geological bodies' shapes. Application to greenstone belt from Yerrida basin (WA)

(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.

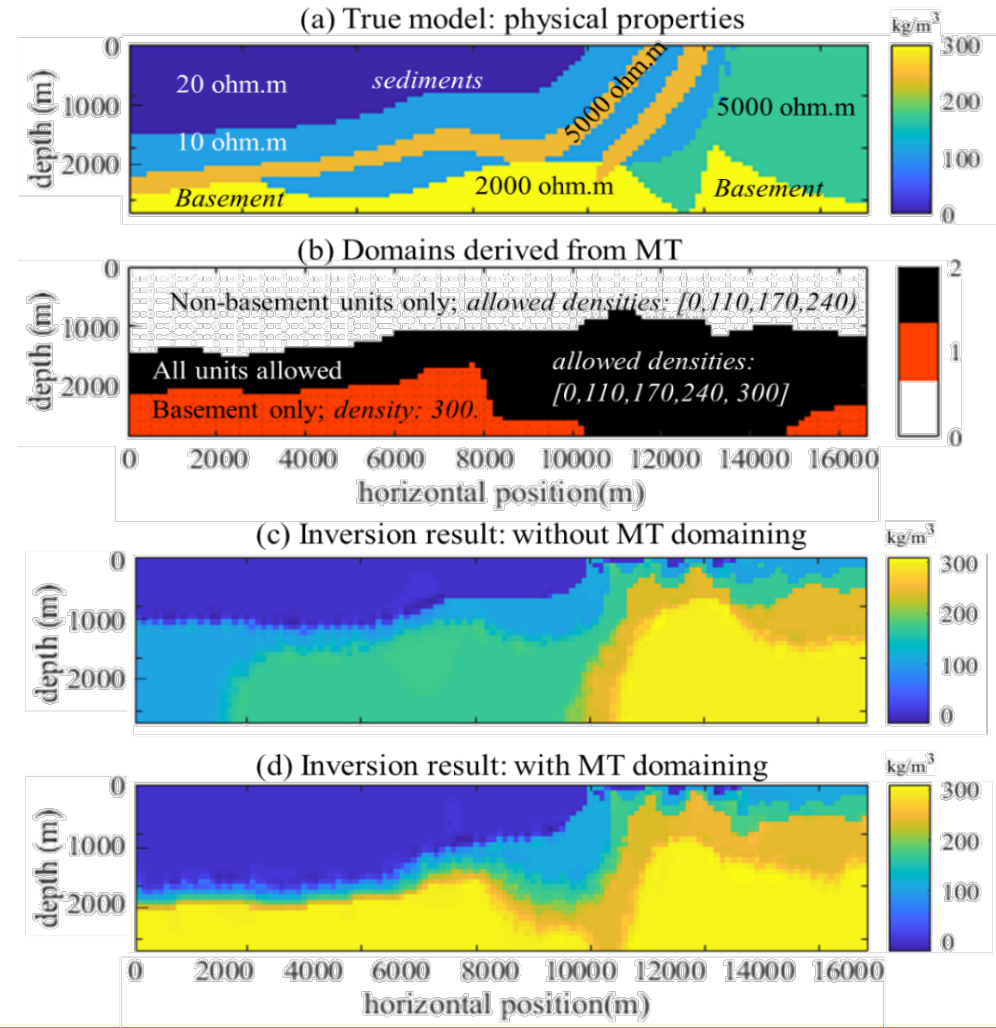


WP #4 – Integrated Geophysical Inversion

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
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WP #5 – Model Analysis & Uncertainty Reduction

Is work on track against plan? update all deliverables

Work completed  On track  Delayed  Problem  Will not happen  New 

-  1. Uncertainty characterization - Guillaume Pirot started September 2nd 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 (**Paper submitted**)
-  7. Paper preparation: Extracting geological knowledge from petrophysics using machine learning on drillcore

WP #5 – Model Analysis & Uncertainty Reduction


Is work on track against plan? update all deliverables




Work completed ○ On track ● Delayed ● Problem ● Will not happen ● New ●

- 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)

WP #5 – Model Analysis & Uncertainty Reduction

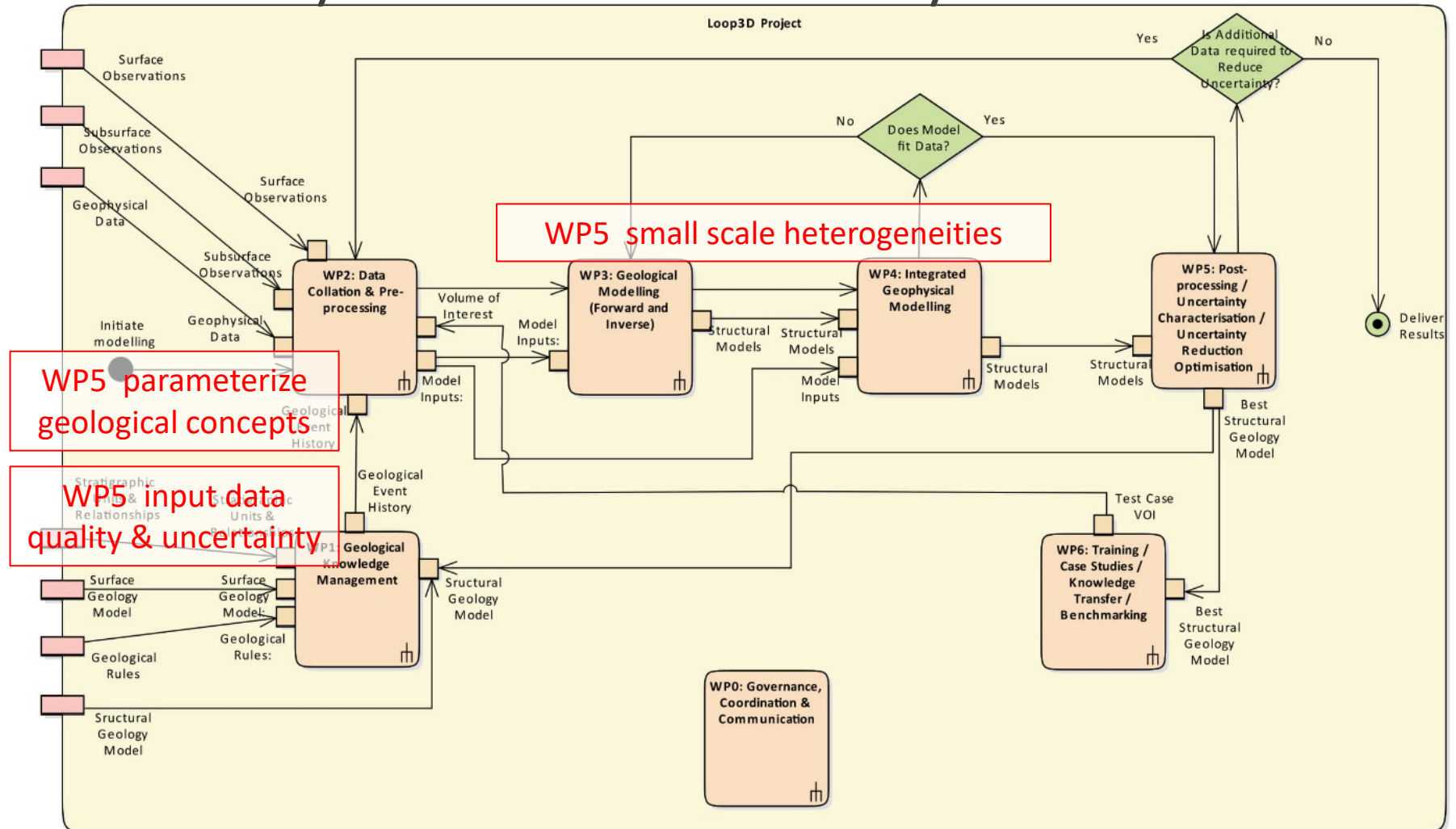
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-  15. Assessing the effects of hierarchical versus joint inversion on prediction confidence (precision) and bias (accuracy)
-  16. Assessing the effects of sampling based versus deterministic driven inversion on prediction confidence (precision) and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

WP #5 – Model Analysis & Uncertainty Reduction

WP5 uncertainty reduction with additional geological or geophysical data



WP #5 – Model Analysis & Uncertainty Reduction

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, Vol, 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?



WP #5 – Model Analysis & Uncertainty Reduction

Model engine

Co-kriging (Geomodeller)

Loop Structural

RBF (Leapfrog)

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

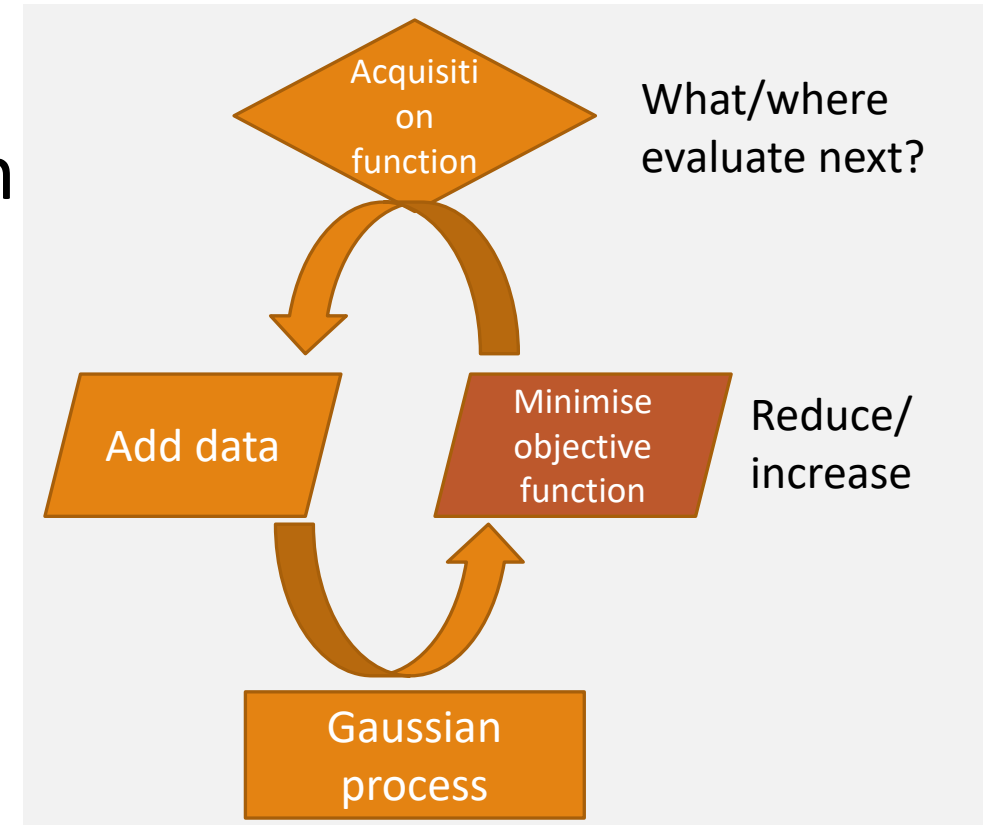
OLS - Global/Local

P1 - Global/Local

Frequency/Probability - Global/Local

Geometric - Geodiversity (Volumes, Surface areas, Depths, neighbourhood relationships) Local

Topology - Multiscale



Ontology
(WP1)



*? Are we using the right
for this
Commodity/
Mineral System
in this*

- Region/
Geological domain



Optimising data collection
Remote Sensing
Geophysics
Mapping
Drilling
Geochem

Considering 'Coupling'
e.g. grav and mag
 R^2 of the two datasets (simple)



*Cost of collection
while considering*
Logistics $< \sigma$
Markets $>> \sigma$

OVX – Crude = proxy for logistics
GVZ – Au
VXSLV – Ag
VXGDX – Gold Miners
VXXLE – Energy
Longitudinal Indices
3/6/9/12mth volatility
XGD (ASX allords Au index)



Value of
Information

Decision analysis



Is the decision
process:
Hierarchical?
Flexible?
What sequence is
optimal?



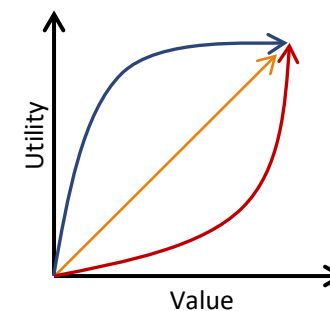
Certain Equivalent
(the amount of payoff that
an agent would have to
receive to be indifferent
between that payoff and a
given gamble)

This depends on



Risk personalities

- Averse
- Neutral
- Seeking



How do we best communicate this to the decision maker?

There is a tendency for the decision maker to ignore accurate data and information

Can we address this? How to address this?

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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 (in progress)
- Implement pilot drillhole perturbations (in progress)
- Select (in progress) and implement the optimization algorithm (not started)



WP #6 – Training, Case Studies & Knowledge Transfer

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Work completed ☐ On track ☒ Delayed ☒ Problem ☒ Will not happen ☒ New ☒




- ☒ 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 Jupyter 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 poly-deformed terranes.
 - Fernanda Alvarado: Modelling intrusions: field observations, encoding rules.
 - Marina Jeronimo-Zarate: Integrated geophysical and geological 3D modelling (starting April 2020).
-  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



WP #6 – Training, Case Studies & Knowledge Transfer

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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 videomeetings 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 June 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.
-  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.

WP #6 – Training, Case Studies & Knowledge Transfer

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-  18. Establish a series of training course and source funding opportunities with industry bodies (AusIMM, GSA, ASEG, SEG, IAMG).
-  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 proposal for AGU 2020 submitted - '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 geological surveys) to outline Loop project progress to date and identify future opportunities.

WP #6 – Training, Case Studies & Knowledge Transfer

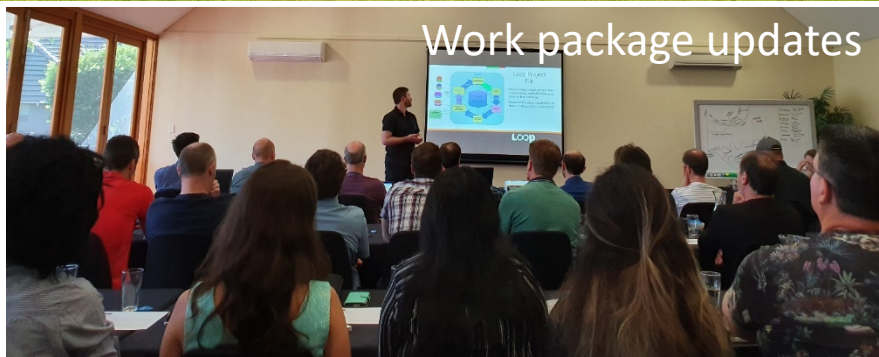
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-  23. Website – 2nd version went live 9th April. Update required to fix current format.
-  24. Establish a calendar of Loop relevant conferences and disseminate to all Loop working groups to increase awareness of the project and outcomes.
-  25. Loop generic introduction slides to promote the project (available in the Loop dropbox folder). Link 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

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



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Loop Papers and Conference presentations

■ Papers

- Giraud, J., Lindsay, M., Jessell, M., Ogarko, V., 2020. Towards plausible lithological classification from geophysical inversion: honouring geological principles in subsurface imaging, *Solid Earth*, 11, 419-436.
- Guo, J., Yunqiang Li, Jessell, M., Giraud, J., Li C., Wu, L., Fengdan, L., Shanjun, L., 2020. 3D Geological Structure Inversion from Noddy-Generated Magnetic Data Using Deep Learning Methods. Awaiting MinEc CRC approval prior to submission to *Computers & Geosciences*?
- Lindsay, M., Occhipinti, S., Aitken, A., LaFlamme, C., Ramos, L., 2019, Mapping undercover: integrated interpretation and 3D modelling of a Proterozoic basin. *Solid Earth*, submitted
- Martin, R., J. Giraud, V. Ogarko, S. Chevrot, S. Beller, M. Jessell, Three-dimensional gravity anomaly inversion in the Pyrenees using compressional seismic velocity model as structural similarity constraints, submitted to *Geophysical Journal International*, implementing revisions.
- Ogarko, V., J. Giraud, R. Martin, M. Jessell, M. Lindsay, Disjoint intervals for bound constraints in geologically constrained geophysical inversion using the alternating direction method of multipliers, submitted to *Geophysics*, implementing revisions.



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- Papers ct'd

- Giraud, J., Lindsay, M., Jessell, M., Submitted to Geophysics. Generalisation of level-set inversion to an arbitrary number of geological units using a regularized least-squares approach.

- **Conference Extended papers**

- Jessell, Mark Lindsay & Vitaliy Ogarko. 2020. Loop 3D geological modelling: speeding up the workflow. GSWA Open Day extended Abstract, Feb 2020.
- 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.

- **EAGE “3rd Conference on Geophysics for Mineral Exploration and Mining” 2020 – Submitted**

- Giraud, J., Seille, H., Visser, G., Ogarko, V., Lindsay, M., Jessell, M. Utilisation of stochastic MT inversion results to constrain gravity inversion, extended abstract.
- Rashidifard, M., Giraud, J., Ogarko, V., Jessell, M., Lindsay, M. Cooperative inversion of seismic and gravity using a weighted structure-based constraint, extended abstract



Loop Papers and Conference presentations

■ EGU General Assembly 2020

- Caumon, G., Godefroy, G., Marchal, P., 2020. Fault network uncertainty assessment with a generative graph-based algorithm – Current status and perspectives.
- Collon, P., Rongier, G., Parquer, M., Clausolles, N., Caumon, G., 2020. Uncertainty assessment in subsurface modeling: considering geobody shape and connectivity in complex systems
- de la Varga, M., Wellmann, F., 2020. Probabilistic Machine Learning in Structural Geology
- Giraud, J., Seillé, H., Visser, G., Lindsay, M., Jessell, M., 2020, Utilisation of stochastic MT inversion results to constrain potential field inversion, <https://doi.org/10.5194/egusphere-egu2020-15067>
- Grose, L., Laurent, G., Ailleres, L., 2020. Using structural frames to integrate structural geology into implicit 3D modelling
- Rashidifard, M., Giraud, J., Ogarko, V., Lindsay, M., Jessell, M., 2020, Cooperative inversion of gravity and seismic data with different spatial coverage



Loop Papers and Conference presentations

■ RING 2019

- Grose et al., Fault modeling kinematics

■ AEGC 2019

- Grose et al., Integrating fault kinematics into implicit 3D modeling of fault networks

■ SGTSG, 2019

- 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
- Giraud, J., M. Lindsay, V. Ogarko, M. Jessell, Geology and geophysics-based lithological classification for structural interpretation in the Yerrida basin (Western Australia), SGTSG
- Giraud et al., Integration of geology and geophysical inversions
- Grose et al., Fault modelling using kinematics
- Joshi et al., Multiscale 3D geological modelling



Loop Papers and Conference presentations

■ Other - Submitted

- Lindsay, M.D., Jessell, M.W., Pirot, G., Giraud, J. 2020 Optimising the Collection of Geoscientific Data with Uncertainty Analysis, AOGS, Hongcheon, S. Korea
- Lindsay, M., Occhipinti, S., Aitken, A., LaFlamme, C., Ramos, L., 2020, Mapping Undercover: Using Integrated Potential Field Interpretation, Inversion and 3D Modelling to Assess Basin Prospectivity, 2020, AOGS, Hongcheon, S. Korea
- Lindsay, M.D., Jessell, M.W., Pirot, G., Giraud, J., 2020, Just add data: if only it were that simple Target2020, Perth, Western Australia
- Lindsay, M.D., Spratt, J., Aitken, A.R.A., Occhipinti S.A., Dentith, M., Shragge, J. 2020 An Integrated Multi-Scale Study of Crustal Structure and Prospectivity of the Eastern Yilgarn Craton and Adjacent Albany-Fraser Orogen, MRIWA Report 476, p.180
- 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

- 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.

