

Software Tools and Workflows for Open Science

Introduction

Science relies on the traceability and replicability of results. Ideally the whole process, from initial theoretical and / or empirical work, up to publishing the outcome, shall be performed under the open science and research paradigm.

Recent efforts in the open source software community led to convenient tools and concepts applicable to research data management. Standard approaches such as LaTeX for typesetting, Git as versioning control system or more recently the programming language Python with its myriad of scientific libraries have been well established. Currently many other concepts evolve as common tools for open science, such as automated documentation parsers and online compilers.

In this contribution we discuss and demonstrate a reliable workflow for open science/research starting from initial ideas to publishing results based on the open source IT tools.

Open Science and Open Education

Reproducible science is the gold standard for sustainable research. This requires the concept and mindset of openness¹, such as

- Open Science
- Open Methodology
- Open Source
- Open Data
- Open Peer Review
- Open Access
- Open Education.

These efforts are accompanied by the Budapest Open Access Initiative² started in 2002 and the Berlin Declaration on Open Access to Knowledge in the Sciences and Humanities³ in 2003.

Open science and open education should generally follow the same working principles as they do not differ much for its intended outcome. Starting from an initial motivation, such as

- exploring new things by analytic and/or empirical research (Science) and
- exploring new didactic concepts for teaching knowledge (Education),

the following tools and concepts can be utilized to establish a workflow of reproducible science and education.

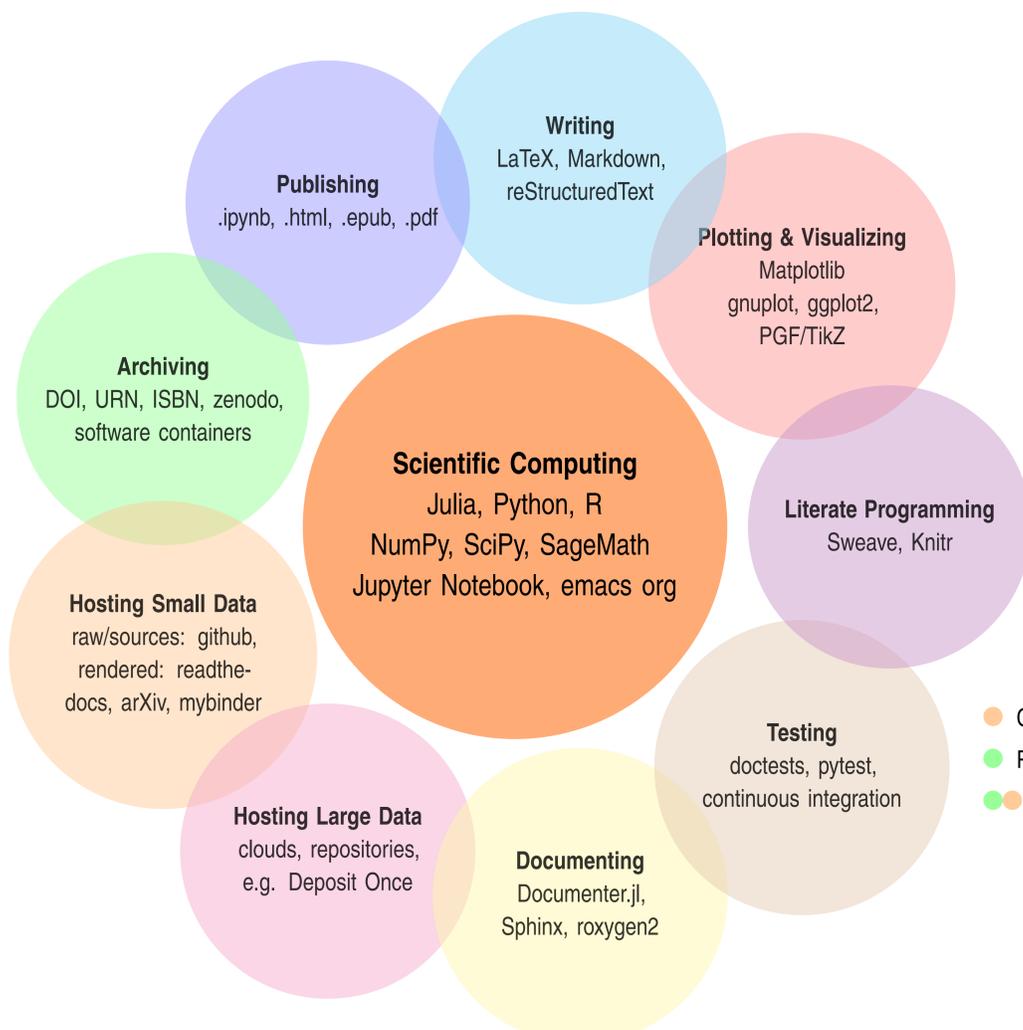
¹ <https://opendefinition.org/>

² <https://www.budapestopenaccessinitiative.org/>

³ <https://openaccess.mpg.de/Berlin-Declaration>

Software Tools and Concepts

Everything Under **Version Control** (e.g. Git, Mercurial):

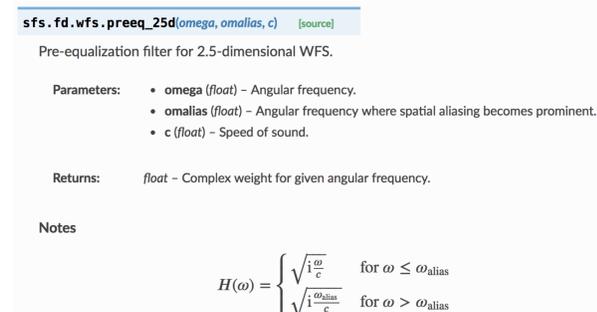


Workflow Example: SFS Toolbox for Python

- Python code in SFS Toolbox with a docstring including LaTeX math

```
581 def preeq_25d(omega, omalias, c):
582     r"""Pre-equalization filter for 2.5-dimensional WFS.
583
584     Parameters
585     -----
586     omega : float
587         Angular frequency.
588     omalias : float
589         Angular frequency where spatial aliasing becomes prominent.
590     c : float
591         Speed of sound.
592
593     Returns
594     -----
595     float
596         Complex weight for given angular frequency.
597
598     Notes
599     -----
600     .. math::
601
602         H(\omega) = \begin{cases}
603             \sqrt{\frac{\omega}{c}} & \text{for } \omega \leq \omega_{\text{alias}} \\
604             \sqrt{\frac{\omega}{c}} & \text{for } \omega > \omega_{\text{alias}}
605         \end{cases}
606
607     """
608
609     if omalias is None:
610         return np.sqrt(1j * util.wavenumber(omega, c))
611     else:
612         if omega <= omalias:
613             return np.sqrt(1j * util.wavenumber(omega, c))
614         else:
615             return np.sqrt(1j * util.wavenumber(omalias, c))
616
```

- SFS Toolbox documentation as HTML output. Created by sphinx from the above docstring



- SFS Toolbox used within an interactive Jupyter Notebook

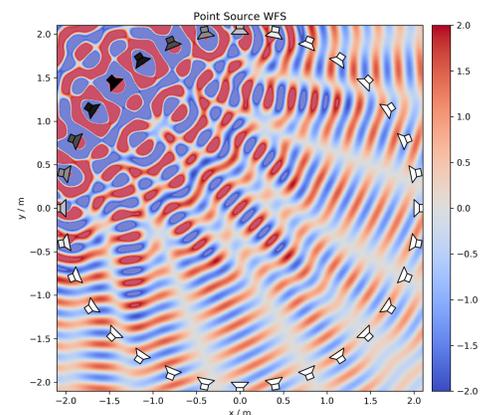
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In [1]: 1 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
2 import numpy as np
3 import sfs

In [2]: 1 R = 2 # SSD radius in m
2 N = 2*5 # number of sec src
3 ssd = sfs.array.circular(N, R)
4 grid = sfs.util.xyz_grid([-2.1, 2.1], [-2.1, 2.1], 0, spacing=0.005)
5
6 # primary point source
7 xs = -3, +3, 0 # position
8 As = np.linalg.norm(xs) * 4 * np.pi # amplitude
9
10 f = sfs.default.c * 4 # frequency in Hz
11 omega = 2 * np.pi * f # rad/s
12 print('frequency:', f, 'Hz, wavelength:', sfs.default.c / f, 'm')

frequency: 1372 Hz, wavelength: 0.25 m

In [3]: 1 d, sec_src_sel, sec_src_atf = sfs.fd.wfs.point_25d(omega, ssd.x, ssd.n, xs)
2 p = sfs.fd.synthesize(As * d, sec_src_sel, ssd, sec_src_atf, grid=grid)

In [4]: 1 sfs.plot2d.amplitude(p, grid)
2 ls_lvl = np.abs(ssd.a * d * sec_src_sel)
3 ls_lvl = ls_lvl / np.max(ls_lvl)
4 sfs.plot2d.loudspeakers(ssd.x, ssd.n, ls_lvl, size=0.2)
5 plt.title('Point Source WFS');
```



- Code hosted at <https://github.com/sfstoolbox/sfs-python/>
- Package hosted at <https://pypi.org/project/sfs/>
- Documentation hosted at <https://sfs-python.readthedocs.io/>

Version	Date	DOI via zenodo.org
0.5.0	2019-03-18	10.5281/zenodo.2597119
0.4.0	2018-03-14	10.5281/zenodo.1198204
0.3.1	2016-04-08	10.5281/zenodo.49356
0.3.0	2016-04-08	10.5281/zenodo.49342
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