Bringing GMT to Python

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thank you

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reviewers

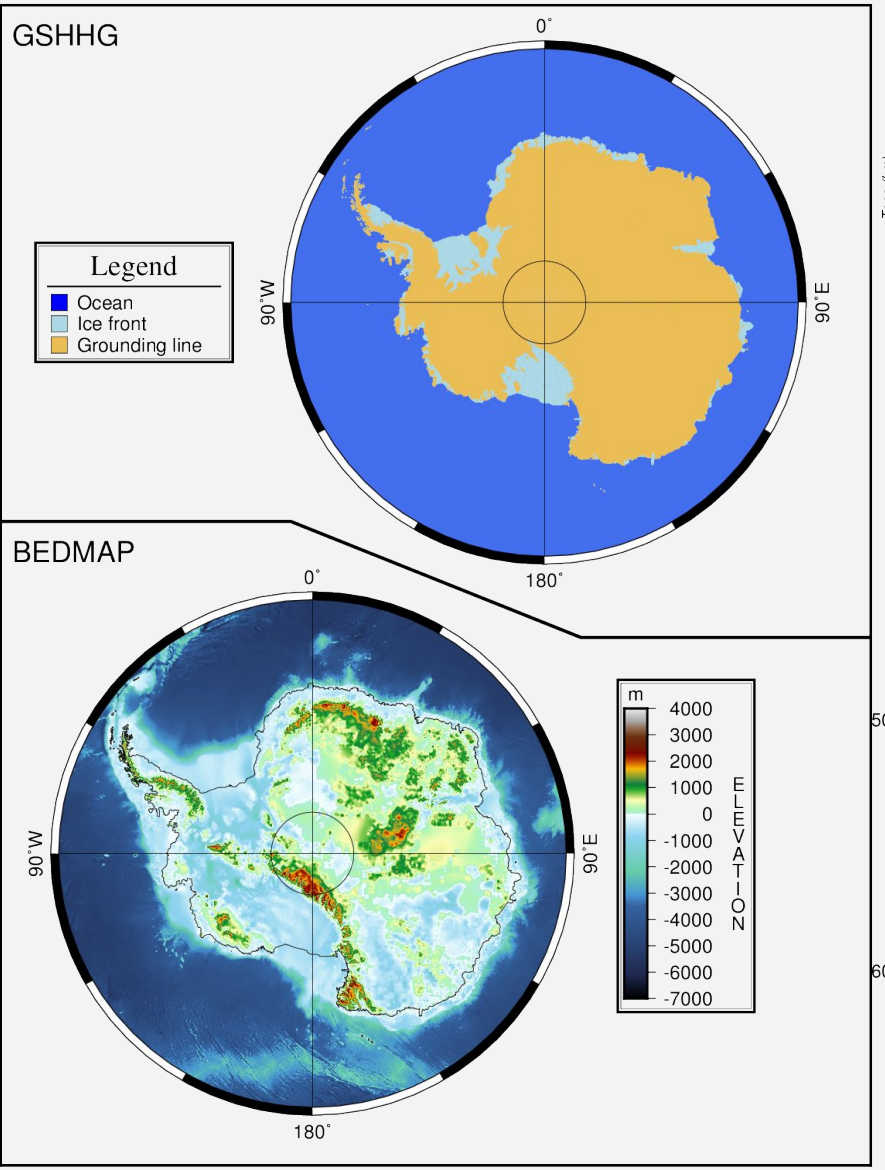
THE GENERIC MAPPING TOOLS

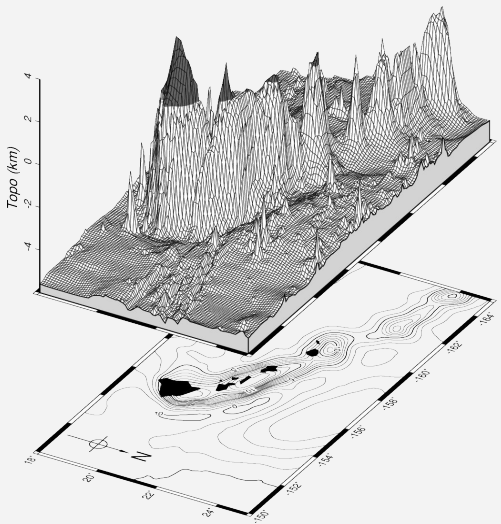
C cmd programs

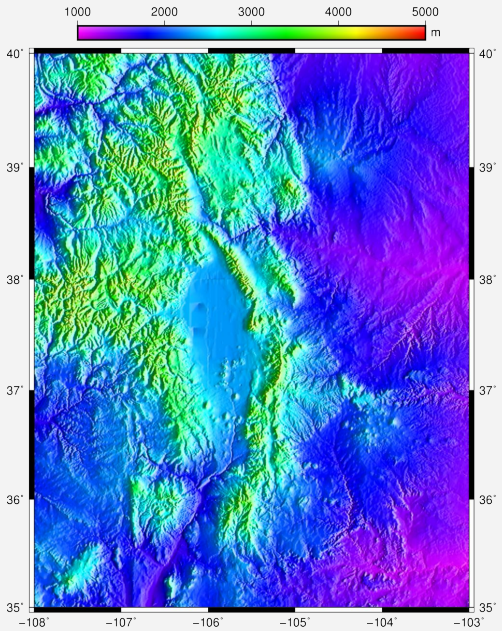
Process spatial data

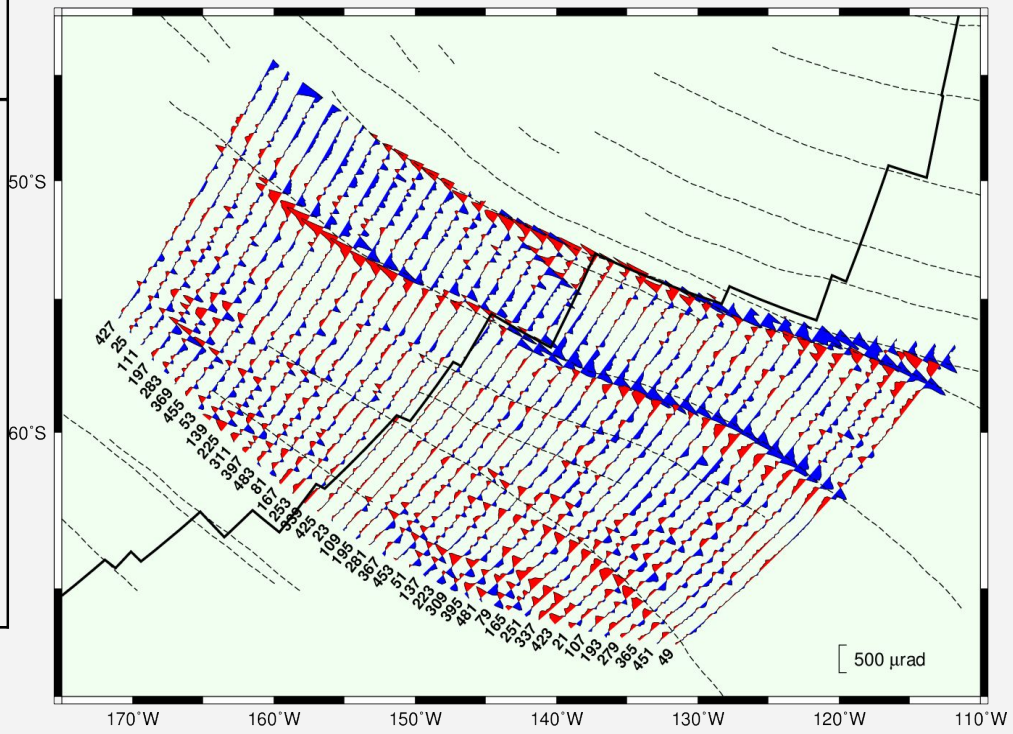
Math on the sphere

HAWAIIAN RIDGE









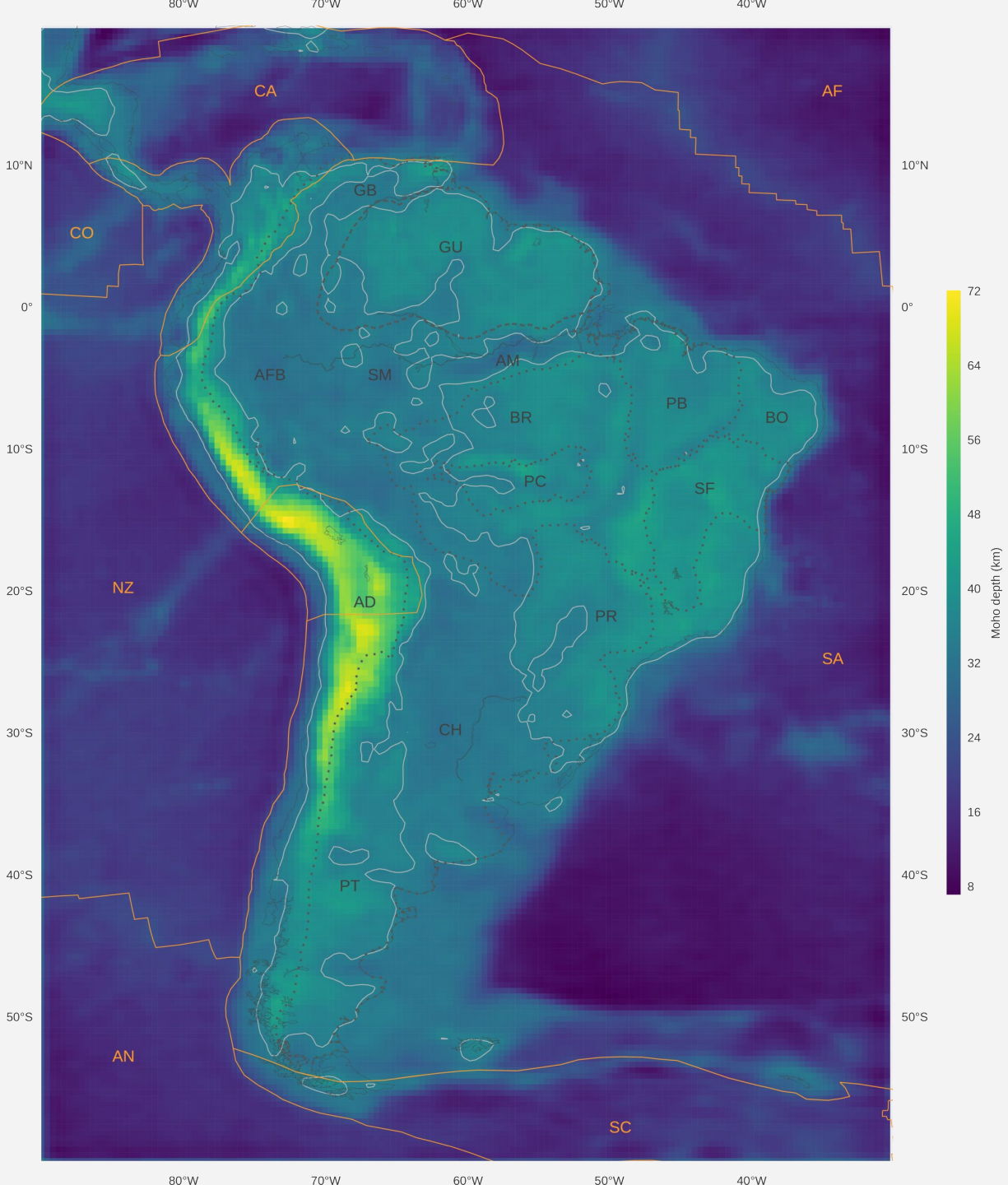
history

GMT 1.0 (1988)

C API in GMT 5

Matlab and Julia

confession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Moho depth (km)


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I miss GMT

gmtpy (Sebastian Heimann)

pygmt (Ian Rose)

PyGMT (Magnus Hagdorn)

Official GMT/Python

(NSF funded postdoc)

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In Hawaii...


Aloha
WELCOME TO HAWAII

goals

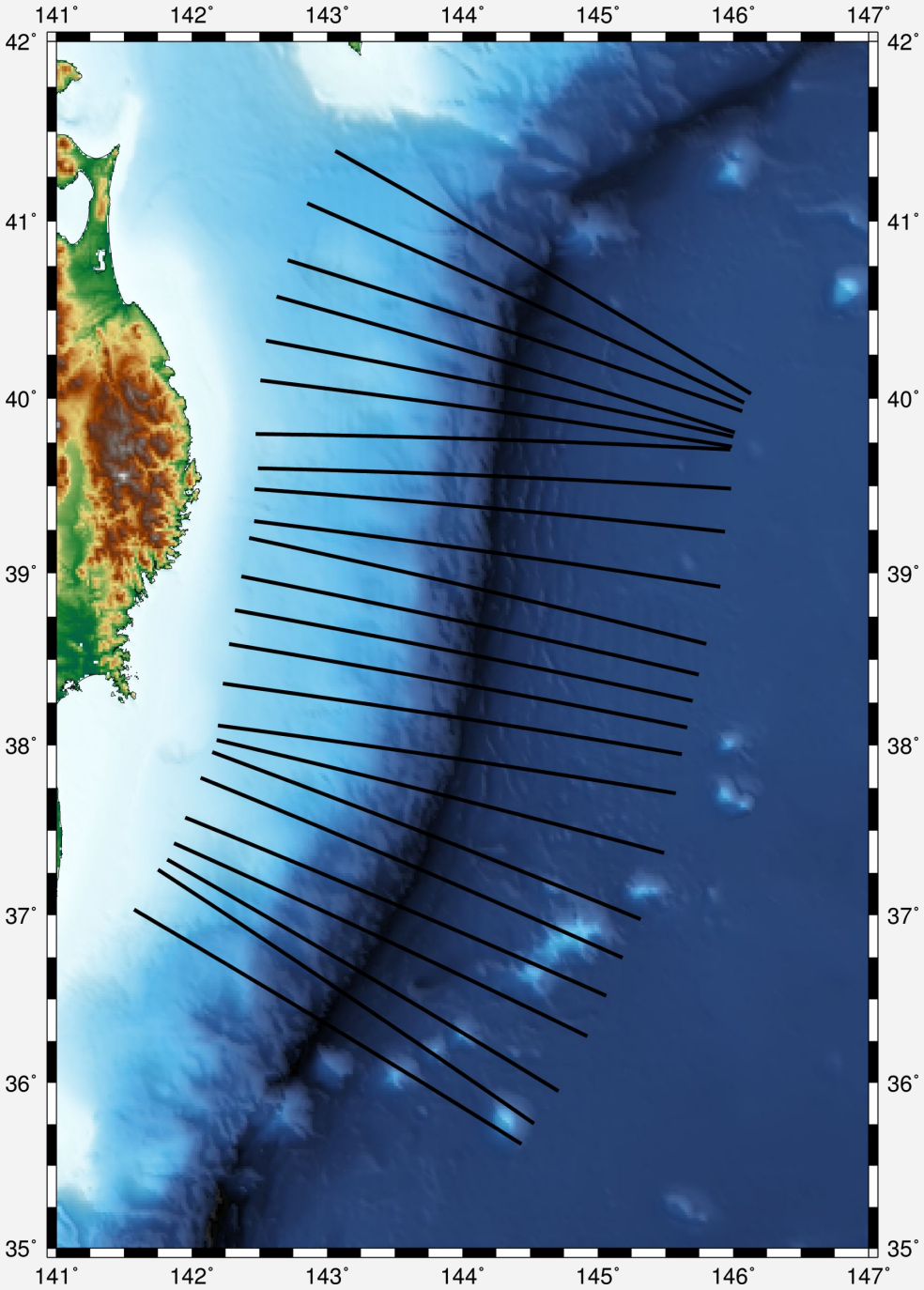
Use the C API

Pythonic

Scipy stack

Modern (py3k + GMT6)

modern mode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demo

what

where

how

pure Python

+

ctypes

github.com/
GenericMappingTools/
gmt-python

```
gmt/
    clib/
    ps_modules.py
    session_management.py
    extra_modules.py
    generators.py
    utils.py
    tests/
```

```
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tests

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@figure_comparison_test
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hacked pytest-mpl

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GMT 6.0 trunk

(conda-forge package)

the plan

data exchange

```
my_data = np.loadtxt('...')
gmt.figure()
gmt.psxy(data=my_data, ...)
```

aliases

```
gmt.pscoast(R='-30/30/-40/40',
            J='m0.1i',
            I='1/1p,blue',
            N='1/0.25p,-',
            W='0.25p,white', ...)
```

gallery

(hack sphinx-gallery?)

Python exclusives

new APIs
utility functions
notebook integration

help!

Wrap a module

1. Copy docs
2. Define aliases
3. Copy tests

conda package

github.com/conda-forge/gmt-feedstock

What do you want?

(~~backward compatibility~~)

Slides and contact

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Code

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