

# Software Collaboration Tools and the Salish Sea MEOPAR Project

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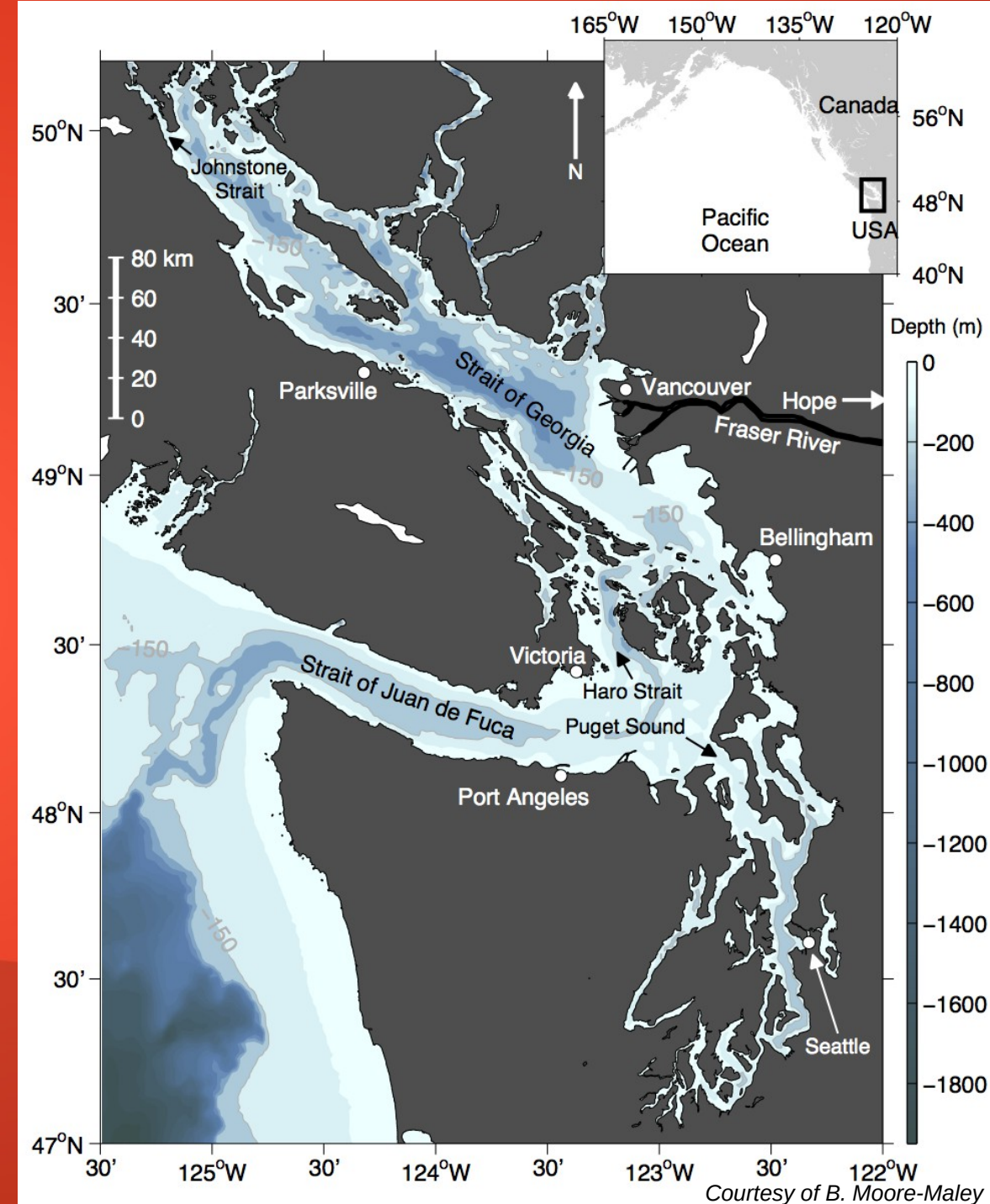


- Marine Environmental Observation Prediction and Response
- Network of Centres of Excellence
- [meopar.ca](http://meopar.ca)

- Nucleus for European Modelling of the Ocean
- [www.nemo-ocean.eu](http://www.nemo-ocean.eu)
- Ocean model component of the DFO/EC/DND CONCEPTS program
- Regional scale configuration
- Atmospheric forcing from Environment Canada models

# Salish Sea

- British Columbia mainland south coast
- Strait of Georgia
- Strait of Juan de Fuca
- Puget Sound
- Johnstone Strait



# Salish Sea NEMO Model

- Resolution: ~500m horizontal; 1m to 20m depth
- Time Scale: 1-10 days
- Presently evaluating model skill via hindcast runs:
  - Tidal amplitude and phase
  - Storm surge events
  - Stratification and deep water renewal over annual cycle
- Nancy Soontiens' talk -- Thu at 12:15 in Parent room

# Online Collaboration

- Software Tools + Web Services
- Instantly share documentation, results, tools & code among research team
- Share results with collaborators and stakeholders
- Publish our experience with NEMO for other users

Think of the Researchers...



# Think of the Researchers...

- Research productivity, not cool tools
- New things to learn, and habits to change or form
- Tools need to be:
  - Powerful
  - Low cognitive load
  - Widely applicable, reusable



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# Documentation

- Lots of good reasons to write documentation
- ...And usually a few more reasons why not to...
- Describe NEMO configuration experience for future users
- Describe working environment for new team members
- Be kind to our future selves

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This is a collection of documentation about the Salish Sea MEOPAR project. There is a companion collection of [project tools documentation](#).

## About the Project

The Salish Sea is home to a large population of Canadians living in coastal communities at risk to ocean related hazards. There is an ongoing need to assess the impact of these hazards on human and marine environments through a multidisciplinary approach involving Canadian oceanographers, biologists, and social scientists. The Marine Environmental Observation Prediction and Response network ([MEOPAR](#)) provides a platform to accelerate this type of research.

The Salish Sea MEOPAR project team is developing a three-dimensional ocean model for the Strait of Georgia and Salish Sea. Using the [NEMO](#) modelling architecture the Salish Sea model will be used to evaluate storm surge risk in coastal communities. Long term goals include data assimilation from the VENUS network and a coupled biogeochemical modelling component.

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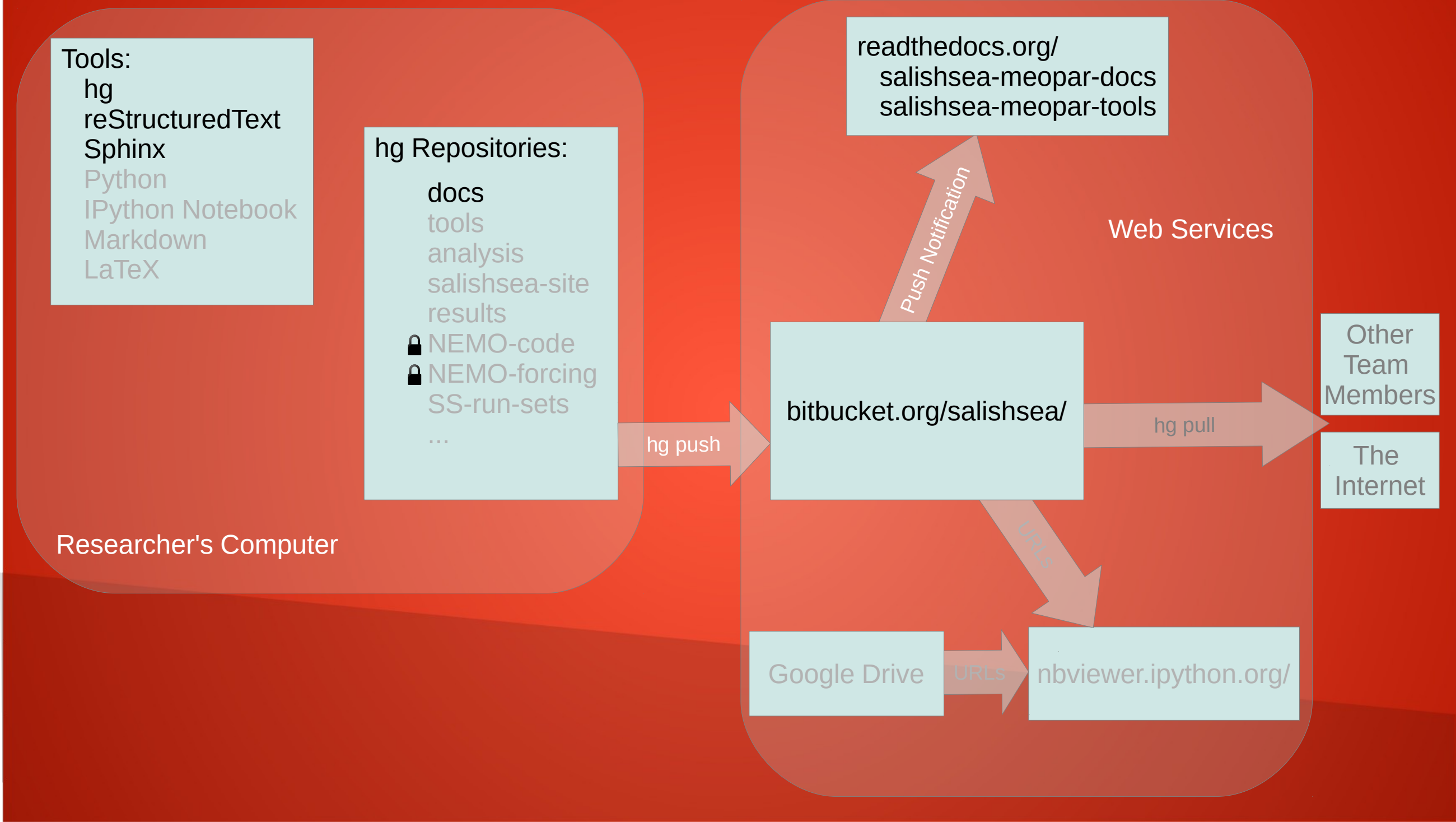
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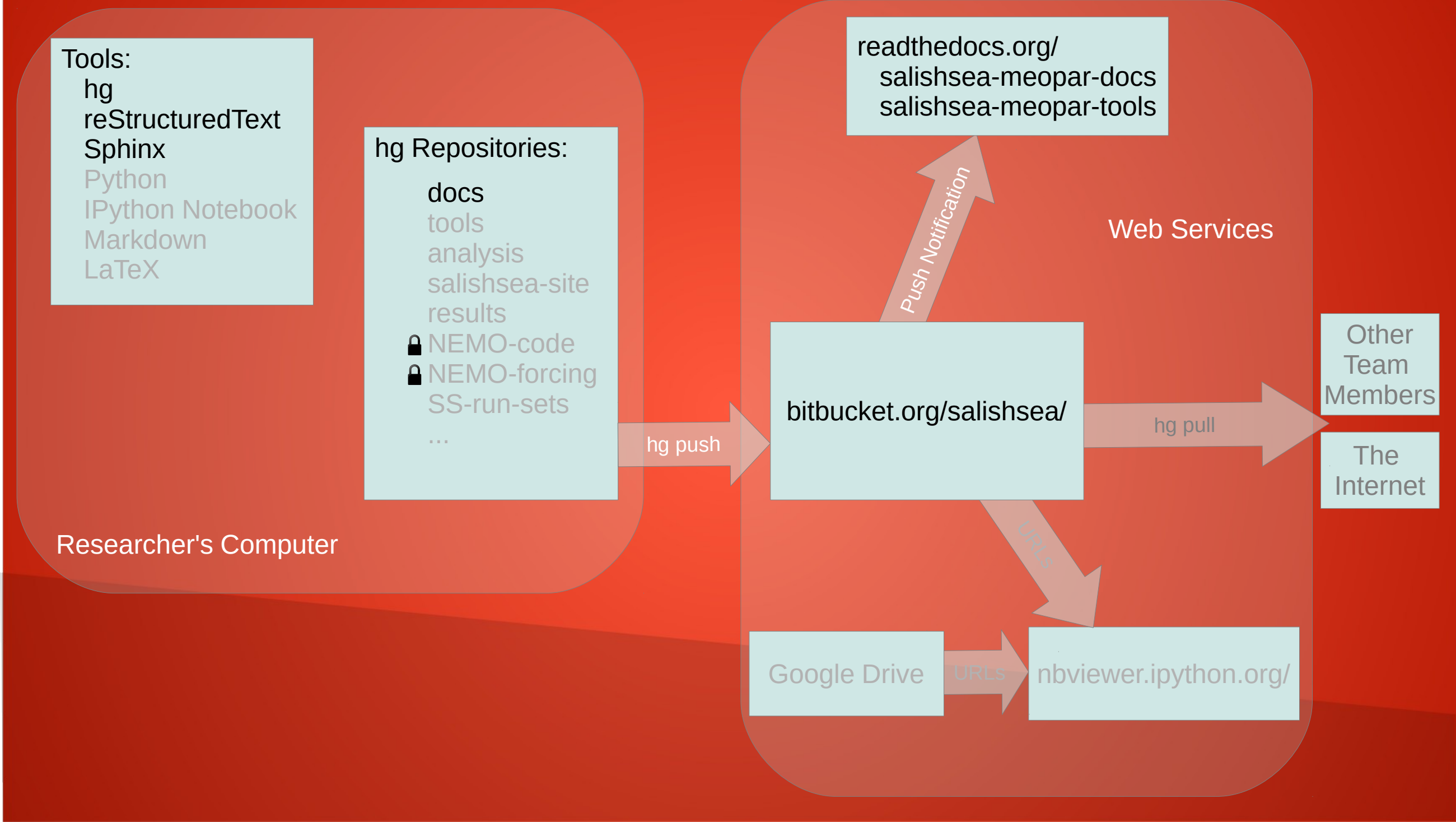
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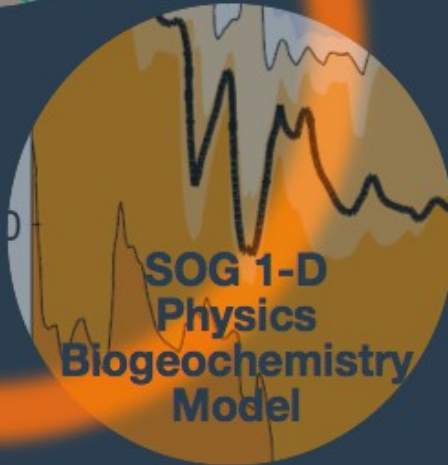
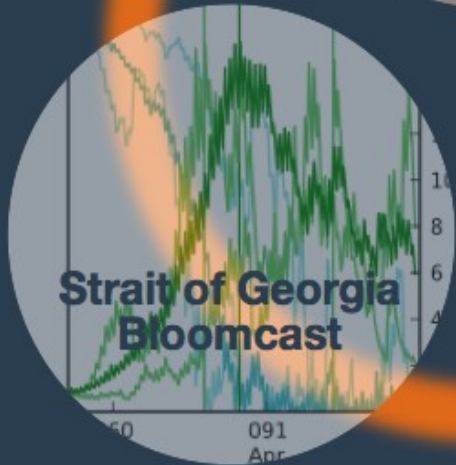
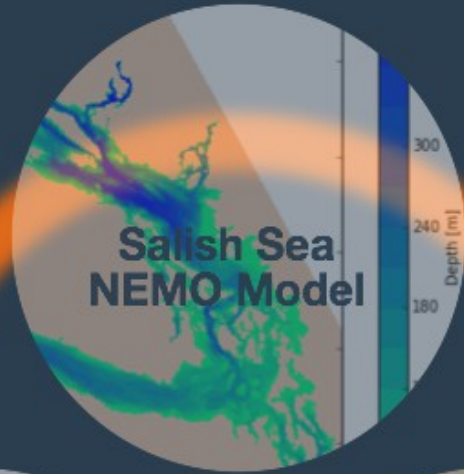
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    <review, edit, make, as necessary>

$ hg commit -m"Change to use new `salishsea run` command."
$ hg push
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# Pre-processing and Analysis

- Preparation of files for boundary conditions and forcing
- Analysis of model results for verification and new insights
- Mixture of narrative, math, code, plots, animations, ...
- Scientific Python libraries provide the platform
- IPython Notebook enables us to keep narrative, math, code, plots, etc. together, and share with minimal effort

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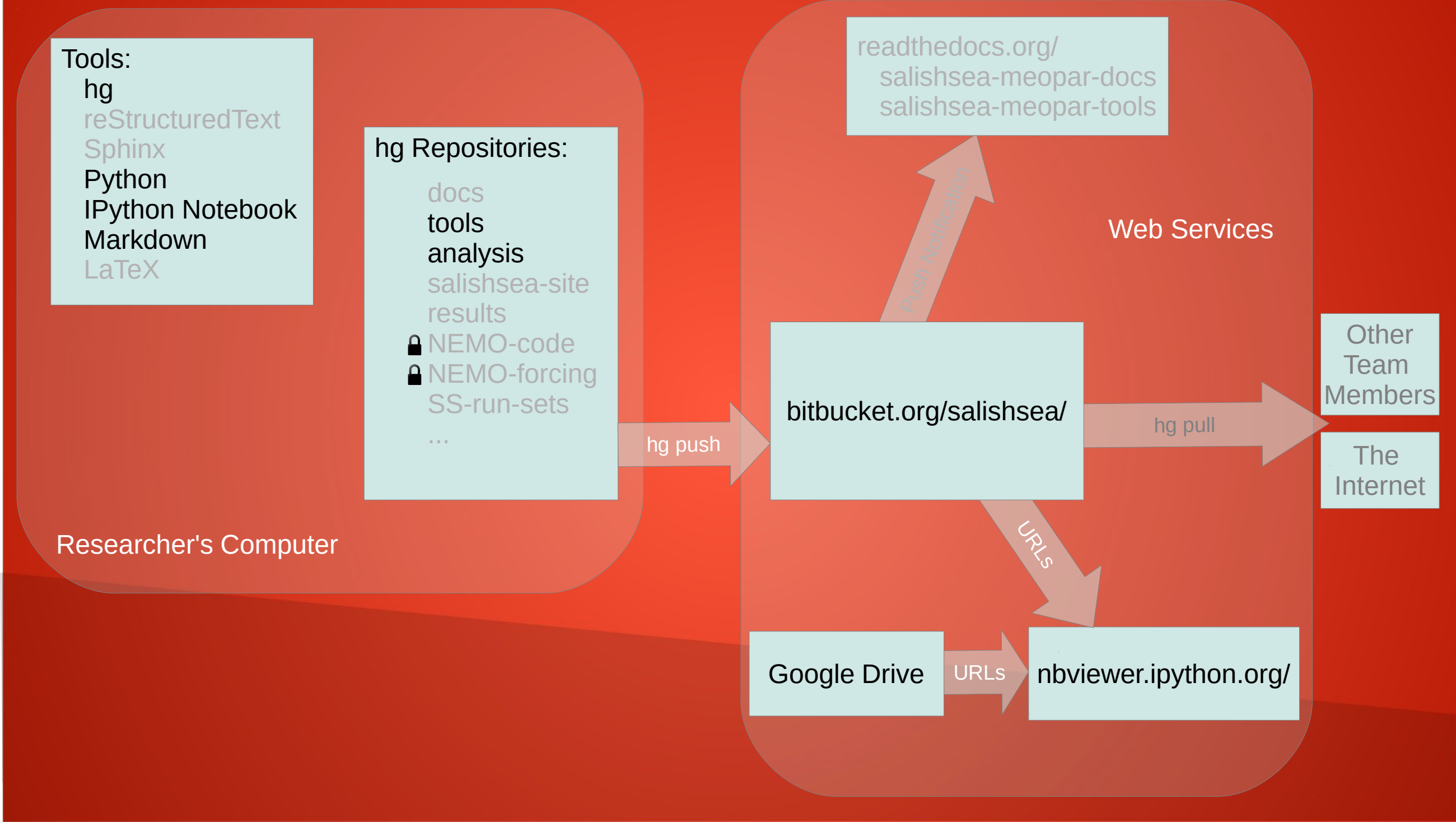
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IPyMulti-tides w Fit

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IP[y]: NotebookMulti-tides w FitLast Checkpoint: May 16 14:59 (autosaved)

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```
In [21]: ts = 240 # last half of series
for name in (name1,name2):
    for stn in range(5):
        ft1 = NC.Dataset(name+location[stn]+'.nc','r')
        time = ft1.variables["time_counter"][:]/3600. # want hours not seconds
        ssh = ft1.variables["sossheig"][:,0,0]

        fitted, cov = curve_fit(double,time[ts:],ssh[ts:])
        if fitted[0] < 0:
            fitted[0] = -fitted[0]
            fitted[1] = fitted[1]+180.

        print location[stn]
        print "      M2 original {0:.3f} m and {1:.0f} degrees.".format(fitted[0], fitted[1])
        print "      M2 corrected {0:.3f} m and {1:.0f} degrees.".format(fitted[0]*M2ft, fitted[1]+M2uvt)
        print "      K1 original {0:.3f} m and {1:.0f} degrees.".format(fitted[2],fitted[3])
        print "      K1 corrected {0:.3f} m and {1:.0f} degrees.".format(fitted[2]*K1ft, fitted[3]+K1uvt)
```

PortRenfrew

```
      M2 original  0.718 m and -3 degrees.
      M2 corrected 0.709 m and 243 degrees.
      K1 original  0.462 m and -39 degrees.
      K1 corrected 0.485 m and 258 degrees.
```

Victoria

```
      M2 original  0.292 m and 69 degrees.
      M2 corrected 0.289 m and 315 degrees.
      K1 original  0.652 m and -20 degrees.
      K1 corrected 0.685 m and 276 degrees.
```

Sandheads

```
      M2 original  0.821 m and 154 degrees.
      M2 corrected 0.811 m and 400 degrees.
      K1 original  0.883 m and -2 degrees.
      K1 corrected 0.928 m and 295 degrees.
```

PowellRiver

```
      M2 original  0.927 m and 157 degrees.
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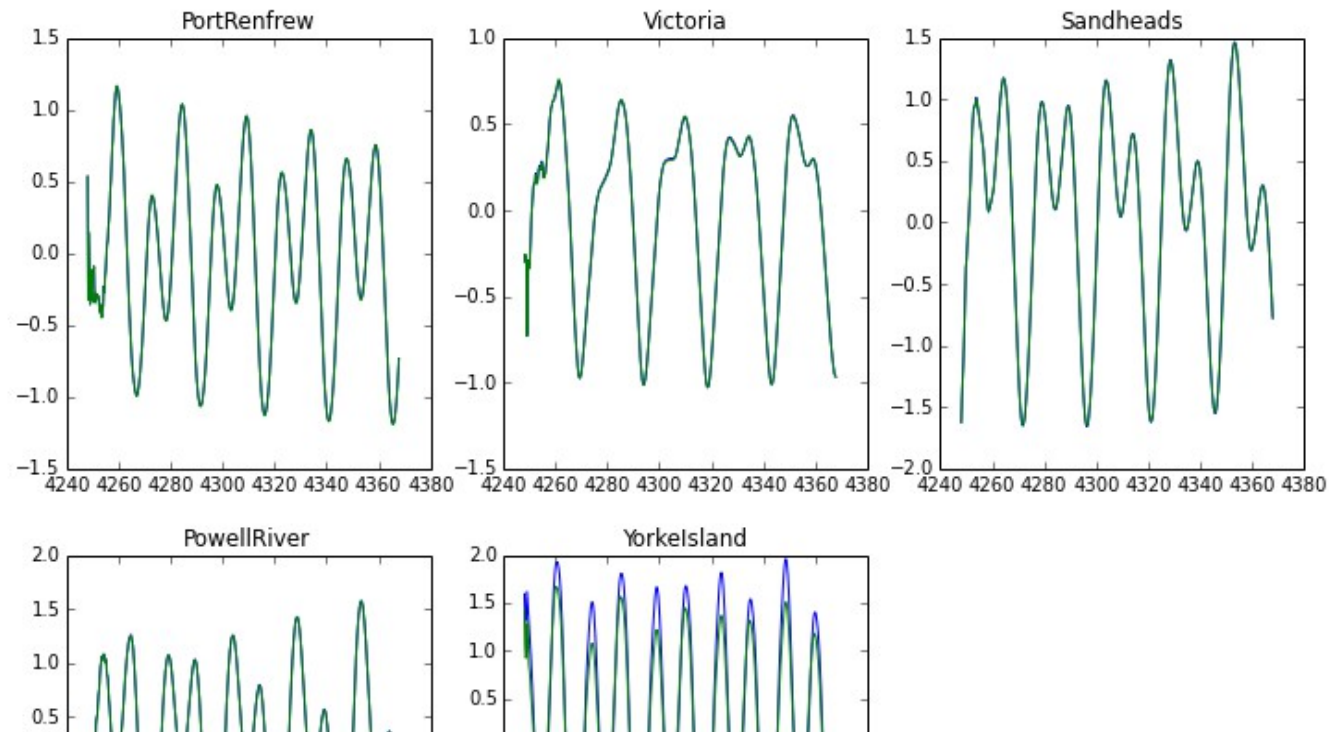


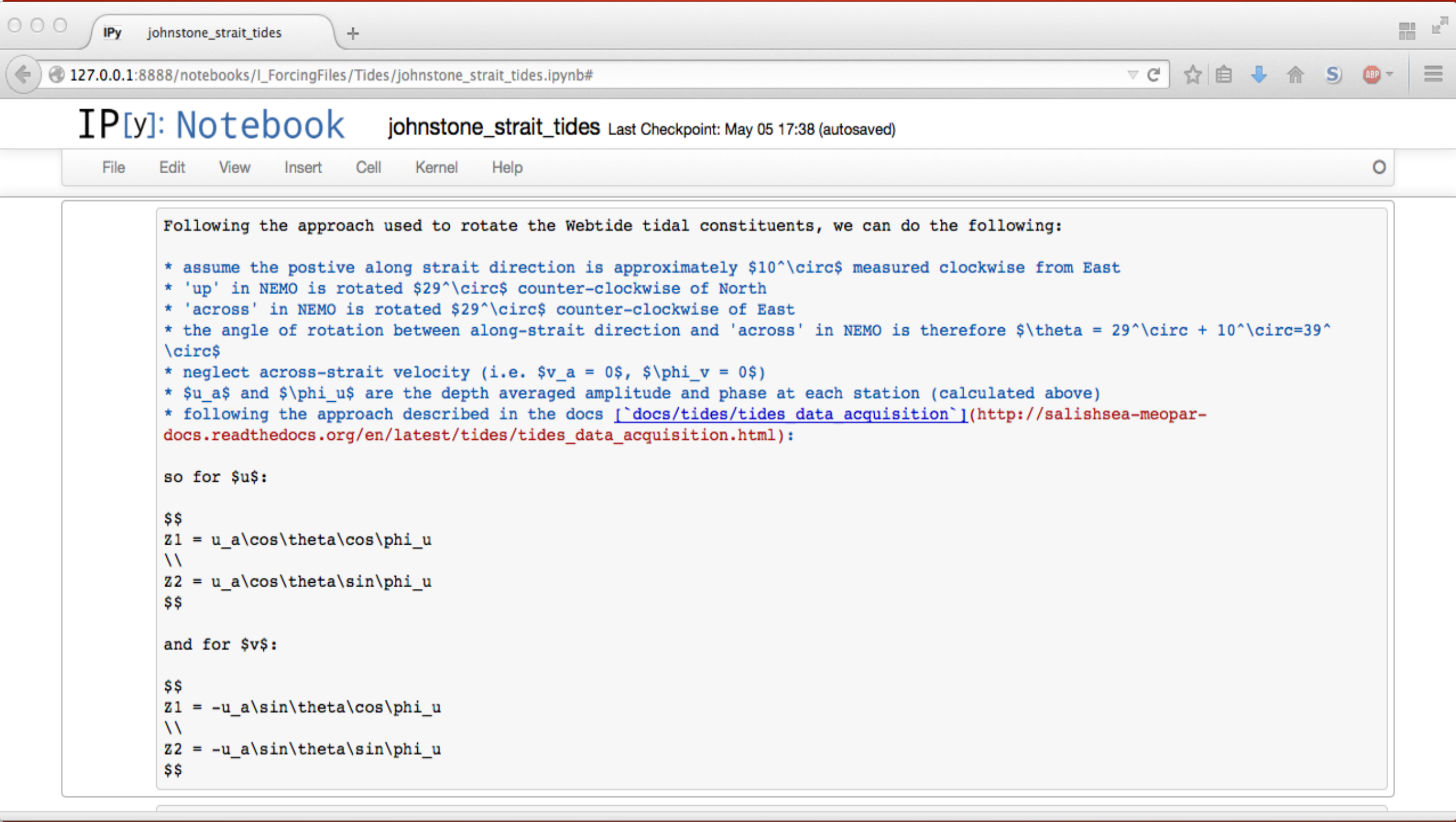
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In [7]: plt.figure(figsize=(12,9))
for stn in range(5):
    ft1 = NC.Dataset(name1+location[stn]+'.nc','r')
    time1 = ft1.variables["time_counter"][:]/3600. # want hours not seconds
    ssh1 = ft1.variables["sossheig"][:,0,0]
    ft2 = NC.Dataset(name2+location[stn]+'.nc','r')
    time2 = ft2.variables["time_counter"][:]/3600. # want hours not seconds
    ssh2 = ft2.variables["sossheig"][:,0,0]
    plt.subplot(2,3,stn+1)
    plt.plot (time1, ssh1, time2, ssh2)
    plt.title(location[stn])
```





# IP[y]: Notebook

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Following the approach used to rotate the Webtide tidal constituents, we can do the following:

- \* assume the postive along strait direction is approximately  $10^\circ$  measured clockwise from East
- \* 'up' in NEMO is rotated  $29^\circ$  counter-clockwise of North
- \* 'across' in NEMO is rotated  $29^\circ$  counter-clockwise of East
- \* the angle of rotation between along-strait direction and 'across' in NEMO is therefore  $\theta = 29^\circ + 10^\circ = 39^\circ$
- \* neglect across-strait velocity (i.e.  $v_a = 0$ ,  $\phi_v = 0$ )
- \*  $u_a$  and  $\phi_u$  are the depth averaged amplitude and phase at each station (calculated above)
- \* following the approach described in the docs [[docs/tides/tides data acquisition`](http://salishsea-meopar-docs.readthedocs.org/en/latest/tides/tides_data_acquisition.html)]([http://salishsea-meopar-docs.readthedocs.org/en/latest/tides/tides\\_data\\_acquisition.html](http://salishsea-meopar-docs.readthedocs.org/en/latest/tides/tides_data_acquisition.html)):

so for  $u$ :

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Z1 = u_a*cos(theta*cos(phi_u
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and for  $v$ :

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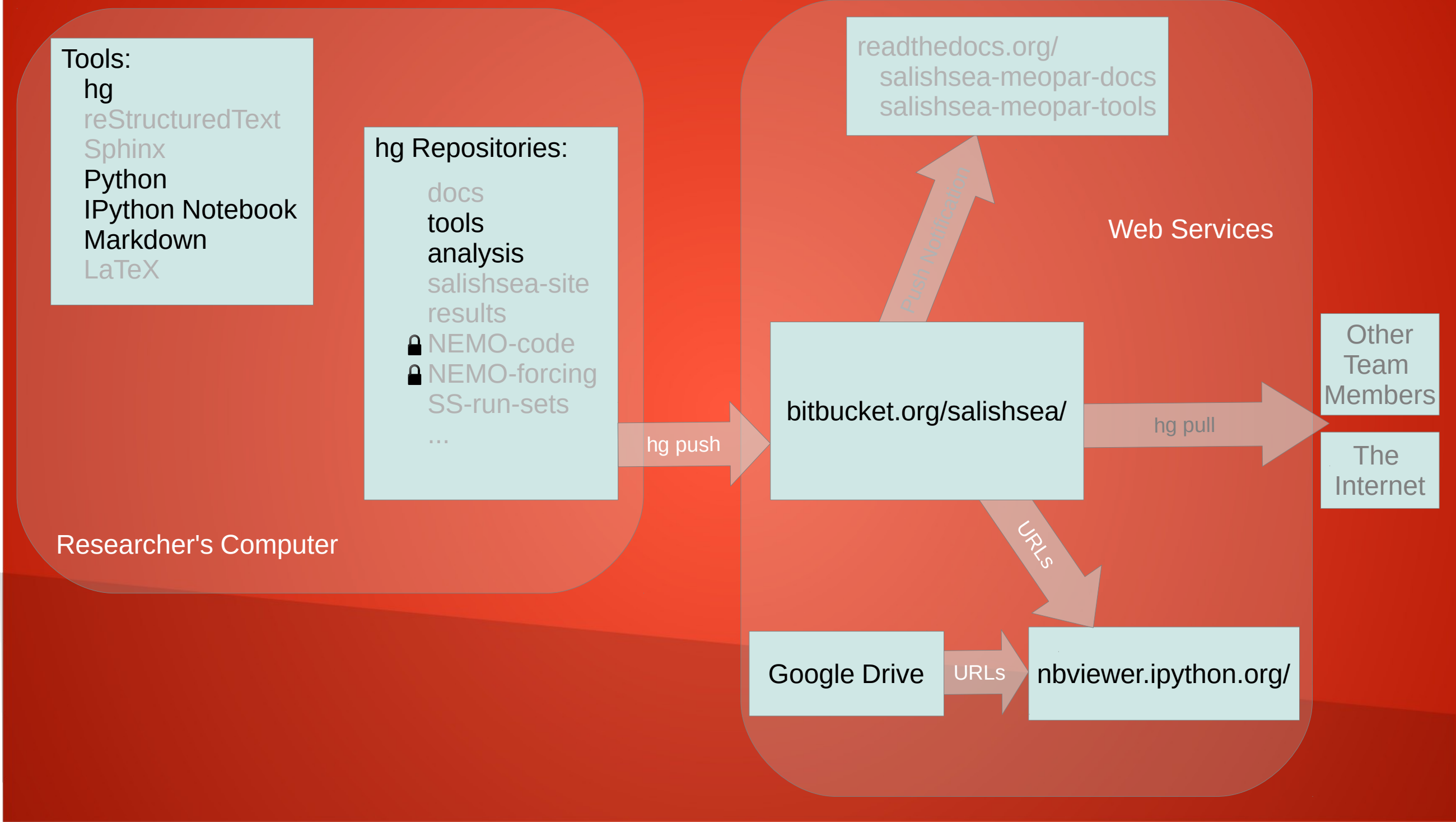
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The IPython Notebooks in this directory are evaluation of the tide and storm surge results calculated by the Salish Sea NEMO model.

The links below are to static renderings of the notebooks via [nbviewer.ipynb.org](https://nbviewer.ipynb.org). Descriptions below the links are from the first cell of the notebook (if that cell contains Markdown or raw text).

- **comp\_wlev\_harm.ipynb**
- **Tidal Variations.ipynb**

This notebook looks at the effect of changing different parameters on the tides.

Runs:

1. tide\_flux\_M2K1 - M2/K1 only over 5 days. No modifications to western tides. Northern tides flux decreased.
2. tide\_flux\_west - M2/K1 only with flux increased by 25% at west.
3. tide\_bottom - bottom friction reduced to  $3e-3$  (from  $5e-3$ ). Note: I suspect we can reduce further, perhaps to  $2e-3$ ?
4. tide\_nu15 - viscosity lowered to 15
5. tide\_bottom1e-3 - bottom friction reduced to  $1e-3$
5. tide\_K1phase2 - K1 phase decreased by 5 degrees.
7. tide\_K1amp - K1 amp decreased 15 %, phase decreased 5 degrees, bottom friction  $1e-3$

Measured amplitude/phase from Foreman's Discovery Islands and 2004 paper are included.

Complex differences are from the Foreman inversion method in 2004 paper.

Uses the same curve fitting technique that Susan wrote.

- **comp\_wlev\_harm\_compositerun.ipynb**
- **comp\_wlev\_harm-wNorth.ipynb**
- **Multi-tides w Fit.ipynb**

## Plot model vs measured comparison results

Calculate differences and save to a csv file:

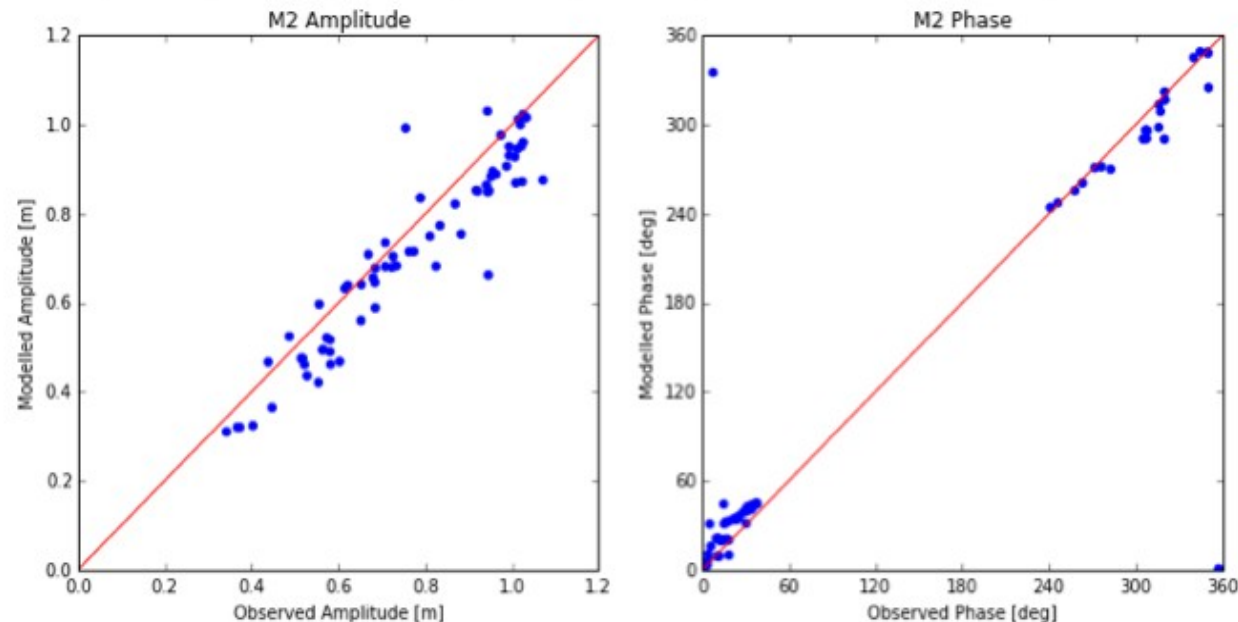
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In [14]: meas_wl_harm, Am_M2_all, Ao_M2_all, gm_M2_all, go_M2_all, \
D_F95_M2_all, D_M04_M2_all, Am_K1_all, Ao_K1_all, gm_K1_all, \
go_K1_all, D_F95_K1_all, D_M04_K1_all = tidetools.calc_diffs_meas_mod(runname,resultsloc,grid)
```

No point found in current domain for station 77 :(

Plot scatter plots for M2 and K1 constituents:

```
In [15]: tidetools.plot_scatter_pha_amp(Am_M2_all, Ao_M2_all, gm_M2_all, go_M2_all, 'M2')
tidetools.plot_scatter_pha_amp(Am_K1_all, Ao_K1_all, gm_K1_all, go_K1_all, 'K1')
print 'Summary: K1 amplitude good, K1 phase high, M2 amplitude low, M2 phase high'
```

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### 1. Storm Surge and Tides

a) Evaluate changes in K1 phase and amplitude.  
-Error converting from radians to degrees. Reran  
-5 degree phase change in K1 at JdF = about 5 degree phase change everywhere else (except Yorke Island). M2 not affected, K1 amps not affected. [notebook](#)  
-Next step: use bf=1e-3, reduce K1 phase by 5 deg, reduce K1 amp by 15%. Apply changes to all u,v, eta. These were the errors at PA in the bf=1e-3 case.  
- K1 is looking good now. I probably reduced the amplitude by a bit too much. [notebook](#)  
b) M2 amp through Islands fixed. Remaining problem is the phase. Provided changing phase and amplitude for K1 works, do the same thing to get M2 correct at Pt. Atkinson.  
Next: Reduce M2 phase by 9 deg for match at PA.  
M2 phase at Point Atkinson is good now. [notebook](#) nice  
c) Rerun Surge cases for CMOS.  
Feb 2006 reran with M2/K1 corrected and bf=1e-3. Cases: [all\\_forcing](#) and [tidesonly](#). [notebook](#): also looks at [t\\_tide](#) predictions with only 8 constituents.  
d) Return to trying to get tides better. Reduce EVD.  
e) add more tidal constituents

### 2. Spin-up and Stratification

a) thalweg movie  
b) evaluate surface fronts. [Request: Winds, 2003 Sep 17 & 18 on Salish - done](#)  
[Fronts look pretty good: notebook](#)  
c) model is too fresh in the intermediate and deep SoG, almost certainly due to too much mixing in the Islands. Reducing EVD might help. (Hold)  
d) continue spin-up  
✓ 28oct6nov job finished (12:44) & xfer to ocean & jasper spin-up coll'ns  
✓ 7nov16nov job finished (11:24) & xfer to ocean & jasper spin-up coll'ns  
[Clear evidence of a strong wind event. Mixing in SoG. Flow in JdF and out Johnstone St.](#)  
✓ 17nov26nov job finished (11:09) & xfer to ocean & jasper spin-up coll'ns  
[Stronger Olympic Counter-Current I've noticed yet.](#)  
stdout & stderr were not stored when run ended due to error  
27nov6dec job (4739438) queued  
  
18nov2003-1jan2004 CGRF files added to collection on jasper  
16sep2003-19sep2003 CGRF files added to collection on salish  
e) SEA update spin-up narrative docs

### 3. Orcinus

a) prod! get NEMO building here  
[pinged Roman on 22-May - "today or tomorrow"](#)

### 4. Visualization Notebooks

a) Doug continues

### 5. Nowcasts

a) prod: waiting for winds from Montreal  
[pinged Kao-Shen on 22-May - hope for test file next week](#)  
b) talk to Dewey about [compute access](#)

### 6. Migration (on hold until after CMOS)

a) 35-40 updates, all but last 4 OPA\_TAM (online tracers)  
b) 4th last one, integration OPA\_SRC and OPA\_TAM  
c) last 3 in OPA\_SRC, trd, surface boundary condition, diag

### 8. Outreach and Sharing

a) for Jackie: SSH during Feb 5, 2006 storm surge -- spatial map. Do raw, -tides and -background. Susan to provide background.  
b) tidal ellipses (along thalweg?) SEA  
c) surface current plume animation

### 9. To watch/read

a) OSM tutorial on storm surge SEA  
b) Salish Sea Models : write blurb for website

Tools:  
hg  
reStructuredText  
Sphinx  
Python  
IPython Notebook  
Markdown  
LaTeX

hg Repositories:  
docs  
tools  
analysis  
salishsea-site  
results  
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🔒 NEMO-forcing  
SS-run-sets  
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Researcher's Computer

hg push

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