Collaborative Workflow for SAP

When you think workflow

Workflow includes:

- Editor you use to write code
- Name of your home directory
- Git client you use

Products include:

- Raw data
- Packages used for analysis
- Functions you wrote
- Figures and code used to make those figures
- Code someone needs to run to reproduce your results

Don't hard code anything about workflow into products

Openness as a spectrum

- 66 Open Science is the principle and practice of making research products and processes available to all, while respecting diverse cultures, maintaining security and privacy, and fostering collaborations, reproducibility, and equity.
- Varying degrees of openness
- Practice peer-review
- It's okay to share imperfect code

yourself collaborators SAP team science centers public

Tools for Openness

- Use the tools we have to make your work as open as possible
- Google Drive good for sharing data among collaborators
 - Use R code to pull directly from Google drive into R or onto personal computer
- Github repositories can keep private until published
- Open science community
 - Openscapes training
 - NMFS R User Group



Benefits of automated workflows

- Save time and energy
 - Can put your energy towards developing models and not the tedious details
- Make things uniform
- Makes onboarding easier
- Help future us
- Helps you avoid mistakes and easier to fix them

Automate as much as possible!

Why SAP should adopt an open and automated workflow

- Anyone can download a repository and reproduce our results
- Makes it easier during WPSAR reviews to run reviewer requests
- Easier onboarding when joining new projects
- Helps share the responsibility among the team
- Share knowledge within the group

Challenges of American Samoa Bottomfish Assessment

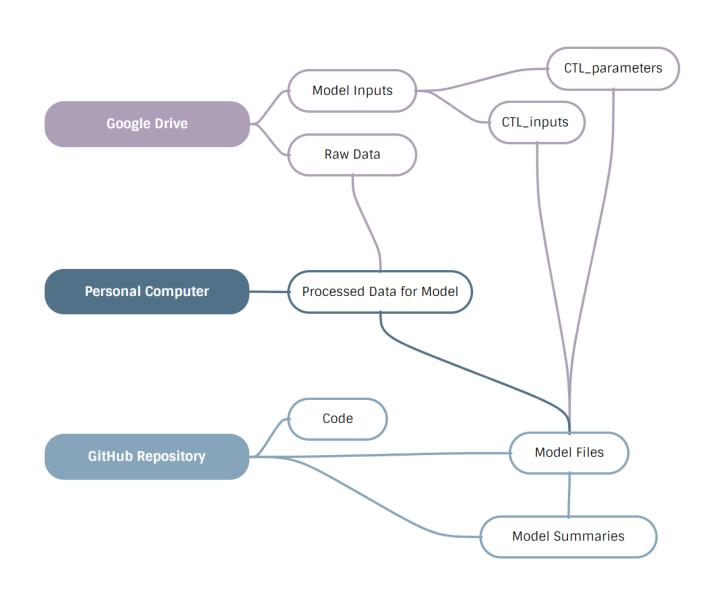
Problems

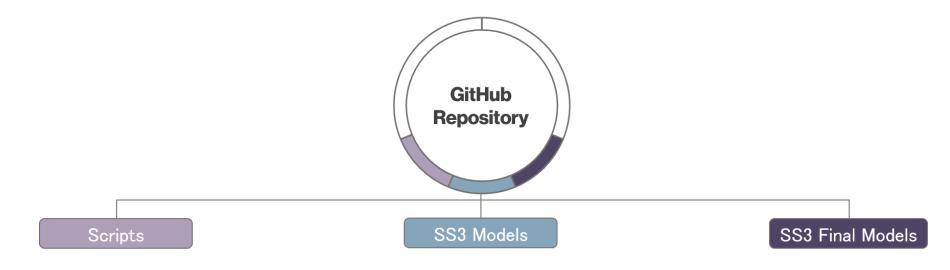
- Develop 9 individual models that have the same structure but different data and parameter values.
- Develop models simultaneously and update parameter values without having to upload and download new versions of a spreadsheet.
- Share quick summaries of each model version easily with people.

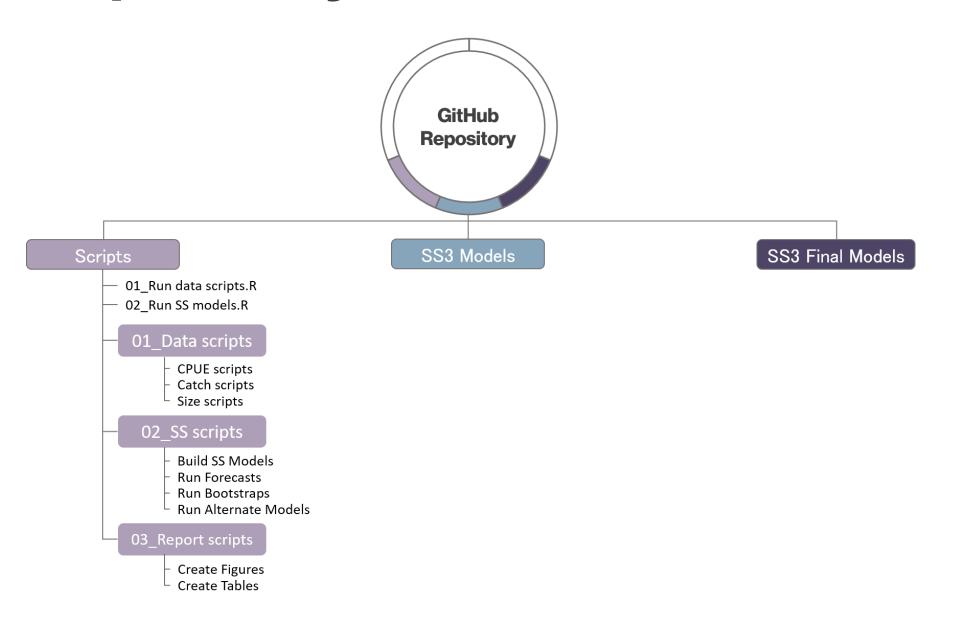
Solutions

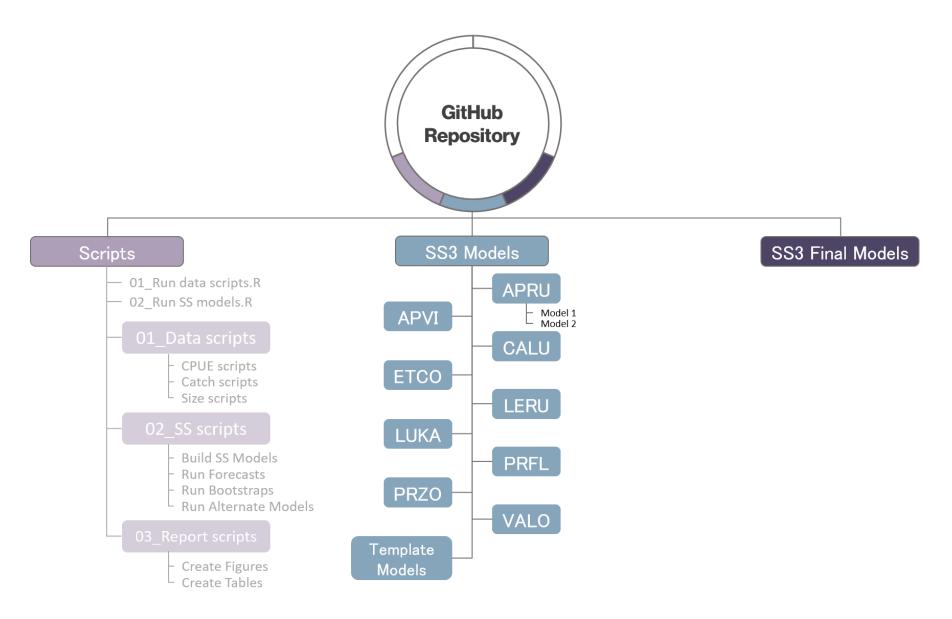
- Wrote custom functions to build the model input files and include the correct data and parameter values for each species.
- Set up 2 Google Sheets (inputs and parameters) that we could change and pull the information directly into R with real-time updated information.
- Included pdf reports of summary plots and diagnostics for each model version with 4 input files needed to reproduce those plots.

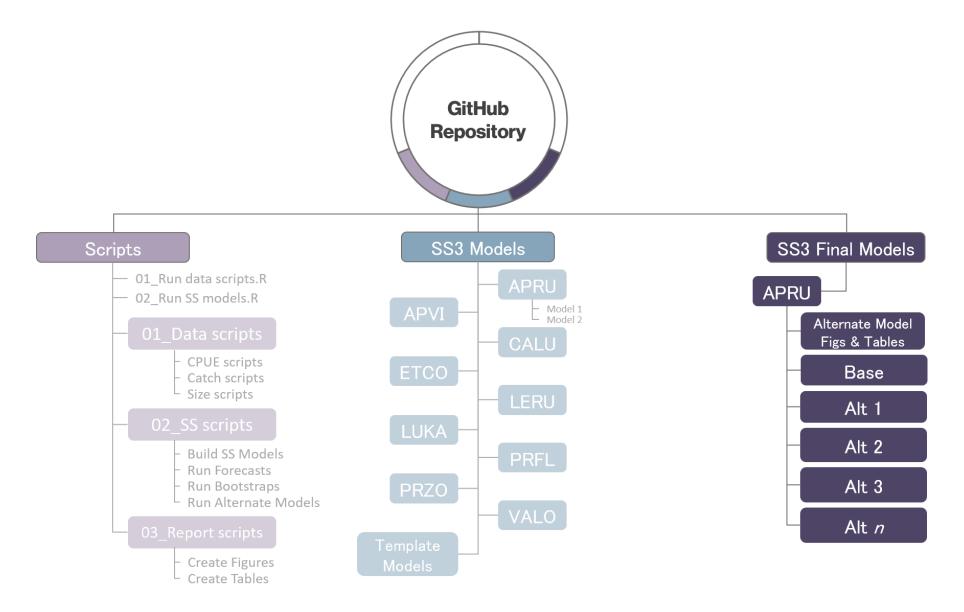
Our Workflow











Step 01: Retrieve raw data

```
1 library(googledrive)
2 library(googlesheets4)
 4 ######### DOWNLOAD DATA FROM GOOGLE DRIVE #################
5 # Check latest data from Google Drive but only download if its more recent than on local repo
6 a <- drive reveal(
7 drive ls(
8 path="https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/folders/1pnH38cupmDU40 KkKDhYWee p4sTSD6u",
   pattern="Data"),
what = "modified time")
11 a <- arrange(a, by = desc(modified time))[1,] # Select most recent "Data" zip file
12
13 if (dir.exists(file.path(here(..=1), "Data"))) {
            Date.CurrentFolder <- as datetime(</pre>
14
              file.info(paste0(file.path(here(..=1)),"/Data"))$mtime)
15
16 } else {
     Date.CurrentFolder <- "1900-01-01 01:01:01 UTC"
18
19
   Date.GoogleFolder <- as datetime(map chr(a$drive resource, "modifiedTime"))</pre>
22 if(Date.CurrentFolder<Date.GoogleFolder) {</pre>
23
       drive download(file=a$id,
24
                      overwrite = TRUE,
25
                      path = file.path(here(..=1),a$name))
```

Step 02: Process data

```
1 ######### PROCESS CATCH, CPUE, AND SIZE DATA #################
 2 set.seed(123)
3 source(paste0(here(..=1), "/Scripts/01 Data scripts/01 CPUE BBS InitPrep.r")); rm(list=ls())
 4 source(paste0(here(..=1), "/Scripts/01 Data scripts/02 CPUE BBS PropTable.r")); rm(list=ls())
 5 source(paste0(here(..=1), "/Scripts/01 Data scripts/03a CPUE BBS Wind.r"));
                                                                                 rm(list=ls())
 6 source(paste0(here(..=1), "/Scripts/01 Data scripts/03b CPUE BBS PCA.r"));
                                                                                 rm(list=ls())
7 source(paste0(here(..=1), "/Scripts/01 Data scripts/04 CPUE BBS FinalPrep.r")); rm(list=ls())
8 source(paste0(here(..=1), "/Scripts/01 Data scripts/06 CATCH BBS FinalPrep.r")); rm(list=ls())
9 set.seed(123)
10 source(paste0(here(..=1), "/Scripts/01 Data scripts/07 CATCH SBS PropTable.r")); rm(list=ls())
11 source(paste0(here(..=1), "/Scripts/01 Data scripts/08 CATCH SBS FinalPrep.r")); rm(list=ls())
12 source(paste0(here(..=1), "/Scripts/01 Data scripts/09 CATCH Final.r"));
                                                                                 rm(list=ls())
13 source(paste0(here(..=1),"/Scripts/01 Data scripts/10 SIZE.r"));
                                                                                 rm(list=ls())
14
16 # Run CPUE standardization and export indices for input into SS
17 source (paste 0 (here (..=1), "/Scripts/01 Data scripts/05 CPUE BBS Standardize Function3.r"))
18 source(paste0(here(..=1), "/Scripts/01 Data scripts/05 CPUE BBS Standardize Function2.r"))
19
20 # Run CPUE standardization for all species, areas combined in a loop
21 root dir <- root dir <- this.path::here(.. = 1)</pre>
22 Species.List <- c("APRU", "APVI", "CALU", "ETCO", "LERU", "LUKA", "PRFL", "PRZO", "VALO")
23 for(i in 1:length(Species.List)){
24
       Standardize CPUE3 (Sp=Species.List[i], Interaction=T, minYr=1988, maxYr=2015)
25 }
```

Step 03: Set input arguments

Arguments we rarely changed

```
<-vector("list",9) # Species options
 3 Lt[[1]]<-list("APRU",</pre>
                                     #Name
                  "SW Then",
                 "SW BBS BIOS",
                                   #Growth
                 "Kamikawa",
                                    #Length-Weight
                  "SW BBS BIOS",
                                 #Maturity
                                     #Use InitF?
9
                 c(0.5, 1.6),
                                    #Range of R0 prof
10
                 0.29,
                                    #Btarq. value
                                    #Include superyea
                 Τ,
12
                 list(c(2019,2020)), #Blocks of supery
13
                 c(2.5, 5.5, 0.2))
                                     #Proj catch range
```

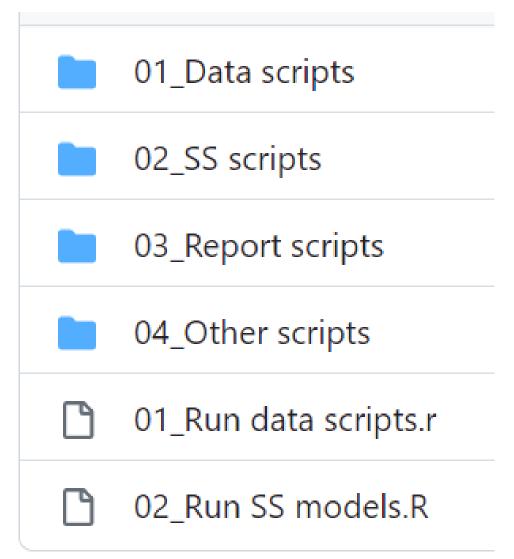
Arguments we changed frequently

Step 04: Build models and run

- The core function is Build_All_SS()
- Wrapper function for modular functions:
 - Build_Data(), Build_Control(), Build_Starter(), Build_Forecast()
- Incorporate parameter information stored in Google Sheets

Modular code

- Created "smaller" functions for each step
- Used the main function as a wrapper so could run everything from 1 script and easy to turn functions on and off
 - bootstraps
 - diagnostics
 - forecasting
 - alternate models
 - summary reports
 - creating specific plots and tables



Step 05: Produce model diagnostics reports

- r4ss::SS_plots()
- Created a custom qmd with model diagnostic plots and tables
 - runs test, likelihood profiles, retrospectives, jitters, etc.
- Created html and pdf versions
 - PDFs were synced with the repository so anyone could look at the diagnostics for a certain model without cloning the repository onto their computer

Step 06: Generate formatted tables and figures

Quarto document produced a .docx with figures and tables formatted for the report

```
1 library(openxlsx)
2 library(flextable)
4 set flextable defaults(
5 font.size = 11, font.family = "Arial",
   border.color = "black", font.color = "black")
7 border <- officer::fp border()</pre>
   refpoints <- read.xlsx(file.path("./", "scr", "01 tables.xlsx"),
10
                           sheet = "02 RefPoints")
   refpoints.ft <- flextable(refpoints)</pre>
12
   refpoints.ft <- set header labels(refpoints.ft, REF POINT = "Reference point", ALL = "Value")
   refpoints.ft <- hline bottom(refpoints.ft, border = border)</pre>
   refpoints.ft <- hline top(refpoints.ft, border = border, part = "header")</pre>
   refpoints.ft <- hline bottom(refpoints.ft, border = border, part = "header")</pre>
17
   refpoints.ft <- compose (refpoints.ft, i = 1, j = 1, part = "body",
19
                            value = as paragraph(as i("F"), as sub("MSY"),
                                                  " (yr", as sup("-1"), ")"))
20
22 refpoints.ft <- compose(refpoints.ft, i = 4, j = 1, part = "body",
23
                            value = as paragraph(as i("SSB"), as sub("MSST")))
```

Formatted tables for report

	Α	В				
1	REF_POINT	ALL				
2	Fmsy	0.136 (0.127 - 0.146)				
3	F2021	0.001 (0 - 0.002)				
4	F2021/Fmsy	0.006 (0.003 - 0.014)				
5	SSBmsst	4.6 (2.47 - 8.55)				
6	SSB2021	14.2 (7.06 - 26.88)				
7	SSB2021/SSBmsst	3.12 (2.56 - 3.8)				
8	MSY	2.16 (0.89 - 3.43)				
9	Catch2019-2021	0.51 (0.11 - 0.9)				
10	SPRmsy	0.36 (0.36 - 0.36)				
11	SPR2021	0.99 (0.98 - 1)				
12						
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14						
01_Quants 02_RefPoints 03_Sensitivies (+)						

Reference point	Value		
F_{MSY} (yr ⁻¹)	0.136 (0.127 - 0.146)		
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Lessons learned in our process

- Use packages that work with all platforms of R
- Make functions flexible enough to give you options but don't worry about coding every single possibility
- Develop as you go, streamline as you go
- Make code modular

Small changes you can implement now

- More comments, or use software such as Quarto or RMarkdown for literate programming
- Read other people's code
- Make sure you are using relative paths and including all the packages you used in that script
- When naming scripts, give them informative names and try sequencing them
- Get in the habit of syncing code with repository regularly

Discussion points

- Is this system useful for single-species assessments?
 - I think its useful for any assessment with more than 1 person working on it
- How can we help each other with setting these systems up?
 - coworking time in small groups
 - set up GitHub repository templates for a common set-up
- How can this be useful for international assessments?
- What about reference manager software?
- What are some good tools people use for project management?
 - GitHub Projects