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# **Scarplet Documentation**

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## Getting Started

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`scarplet` is a tool for topographic feature detection and diffusion or degradation dating. It allows users to define template functions based on the curvature of a landform, and fit them to digital elevation data. As a package, it provides

- A scalable template matching algorithm with `match` and `compare` operations
- A `Scarp` template for fault scarp diffusion dating, and templates for detecting river channels or impact craters
- Flexible template classes



# CHAPTER 1

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### 1.1 Installation

scarplet is on PyPI and conda-forge. You can install it with

```
conda install scarplet -c conda-forge
```

or, using pip,

```
pip install scarplet
```

The main dependencies are:

- NumPy
- Numexpr
- GDAL and Rasterio
- PyFFTW
- SciPy

A conda installation will install the Python GDAL bindings and PyFFTW. For instructions on manually installing LibFFTW and GDAL, see below.

#### 1.1.1 Installing FFTW3 and pyFFTW

The Fast Fourier Transform library **FFTW** is a requirement of the `pyfftw` module used by this package. On Ubuntu or Debian, it can be installed with the package manager

```
sudo apt-get install libfftw3-3 libfftw3-bin libfftw3-dev
```

On Mac OS X, you can use Homebrew

```
brew install fftw
```

Then pyFFTW can be install via pip

```
pip install pyfftw
```

There are some known issues with pyFFTW on OS X. It may be necessary to export link paths as environment variable prior to calling pip. See [their installation instructions](#) for more details

### 1.1.2 Installing GDAL

GDAL and `python-gdal` are notoriously tricky to install. Hopefully your system has GDAL installed already; if not, you can install using your OS' package manager.

For example, on Ubuntu or Debian,

```
sudo apt-get install gdal libgdal1h gdal-bin
```

Or, on OS X,

```
brew install gdal
```

Then, the Python bindings to GDAL can be installed. Typically this is as simple as

```
pip install gdal
```

but you may find that the compiler can't find the GDAL header files. Usually this will give a fatal error: `cpl_vsi_error.h: No such file or directory`. To get around this, we need to pass the include path to pip:

```
pip install gdal --global-option=build_ext --global-option="-I/usr/include/gdal/"
```

or

```
pip install gdal==$(gdal-config --version) --global-option=build_ext --global-option=-I/usr/include/gdal/"
```

In my case, with GDAL 1.11.2, this is

```
pip install gdal==1.11.2 --global-option=build_ext --global-option="-I/usr/include/gdal/"
```

Once GDAL is installed, you can go ahead and install the package as usual

```
pip install scarplet
```

## 1.2 Getting started with scarplet

### 1.2.1 Input data

Currently `scarplet` handles input data in GeoTiff format. Get a copy of your elevation data as a GeoTiff, and you can load it as

```
import scarplet as sl
data = sl.load('mydem.tif')
```

## 1.2.2 Choosing a template

If you have gaps in your DEM, no data values will automatically be filled. Then you are ready to choose a template and fit it to your data. These are defined as classes in the WindowedTemplate submodule:

Class	Landform	Use
Scarp	Fault scarps, topographic steps	Detecting and morphologic dating of scarp-like landforms
Channel	Confined channels	Extracting channel orientations, valley relief
Crater	Radially symmetric craters	Measuring crater depth and diffusion dating
Ricker	Channels, ridges	Extracting ridge and channel orientations

For example, to use a vertical scarp template, you would import the appropriate template and define a scale and the orientation parameters. In this case, +/- 90 degrees from vertical (y direction) captures all scarp orientations.

```
import numpy as np
from scarplet.WindowedTemplate import Scarp
params = {'scale': 100,
          'ang_min': -np.pi / 2,
          'ang_max': np.pi / 2
         }
```

Then, scarplet's match function will search over all parameters and return the best-fitting height, relative age, and orientation at each DEM pixel.

```
res = sl.match(data, Scarp, **params)
sl.plot_results(data, res)
```

## 1.2.3 Viewing matching results

All results are returned as  $4 \times height \times width$  arrays of height/amplitude, relative age, orientation, and signal-to-noise-ratio. The easiest way to work with these is to unpack the results and manipulate them as NumPy arrays

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
amp, age, angle, snr = res

fig, ax = plt.subplots(2, 1)
ax[0].hist(np.log10(age.reshape((-1,))), bins=10)
ax[0].set_xlabel('Morphologic age [m$^2$]')

ax[1].hist(angle.reshape((-1,)) * 180 / np.pi, nbins=19)
ax[1].set_xlabel('Orientation [deg.]')
```

## 1.3 Finding fault scarps

This uses the Scarp template to detect scarp-like landforms and estimate their height and relative age.

It is available as a Jupyter notebook ([link](#)) in the repository. Sample data is provided in the [data folder](#).

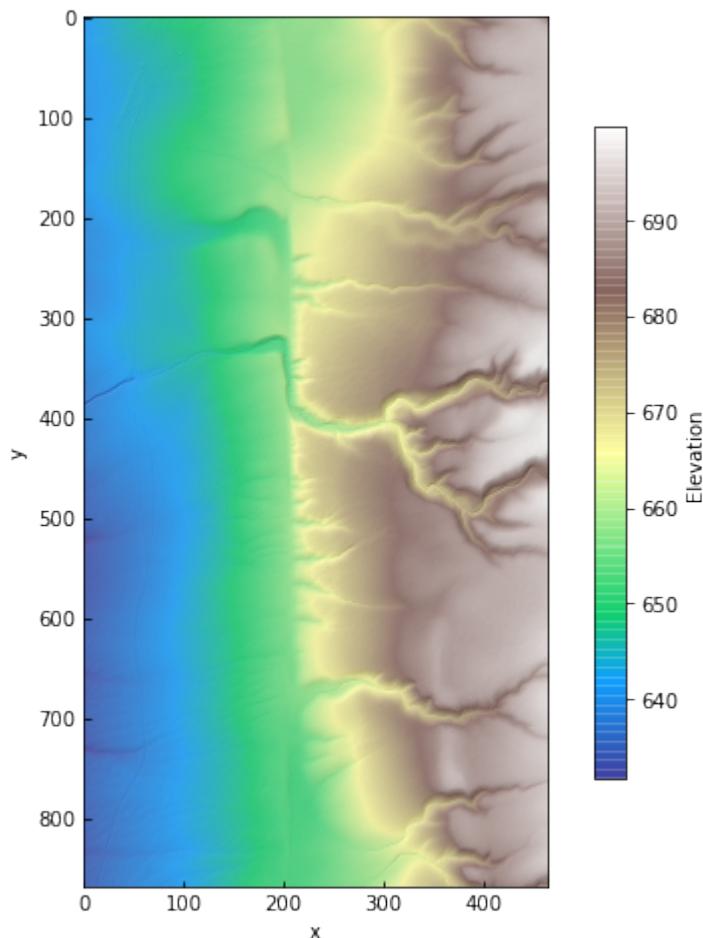
```
[1]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
np.warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
```

```
[2]: import scarplet as sl
from scarplet.datasets import load_carrizo
from scarplet.WindowedTemplate import Scarp
```

The test data comes from the Carrizo Plain section of the San Andreas Fault. It covers part of the Wallace Creek site, a set of offset channels and related scarps and gulleys that have been studied in detail by earthquake geologists and geophysicists (e.g., Sieh and Jahns, 1984; Arrowsmith, et al., 1998).

This high resolution lidar dataset (0.5 m) was downloaded from [OpenTopography](#), a data facility for high-resolution topographic data.

```
[3]: data = load_carrizo()
dx = data._georef_info.dx
data.plot(color=True, figsize=(8, 8))
```



```
[4]: # Look for scarps of a single morphologic age
params = {'scale': 100,
          'age': 100.,
          'ang_min': -10 * np.pi / 2,
```

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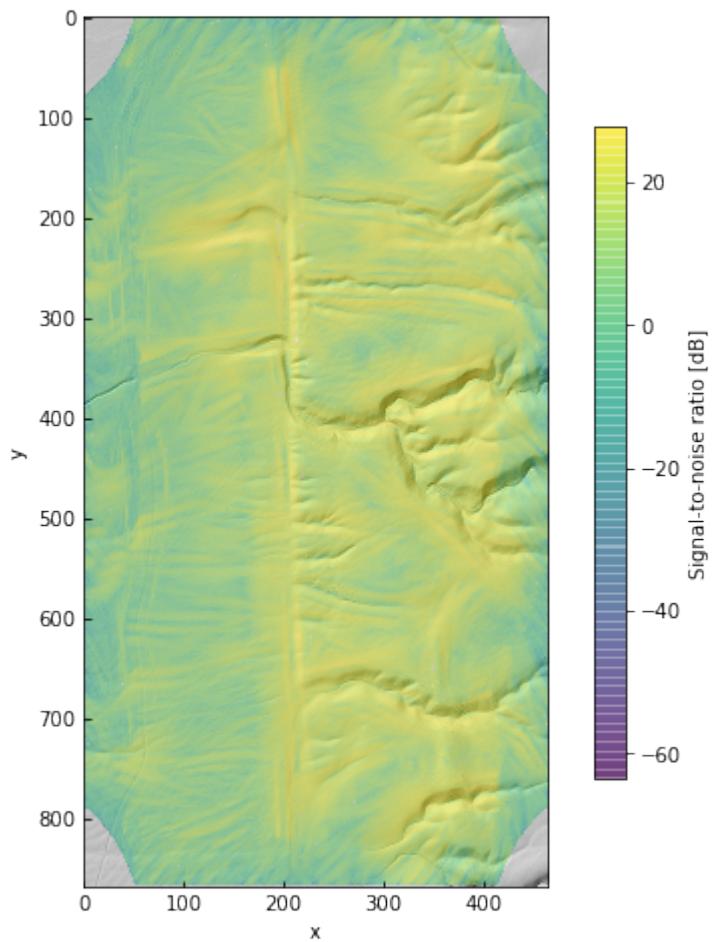
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```
'ang_max': 10 * np.pi / 2
}

res = sl.match(data, Scarp, **params)
```

[5]: amp, age, angle, snr = res

[6]: data.plot(color=False, figsize=(8, 8))
ax = plt.gca()
im = ax.imshow(10 \* np.log10(snr), alpha=0.5, cmap='viridis')
cb = plt.colorbar(im, ax=ax, shrink=0.75, label='Signal-to-noise ratio [dB]')



In fact, the sign of the template amplitude is determined by the aspect of the scarp. We will mask by SNR and discard the sign of the amplitude – we just want to see how tall the scarps might be.

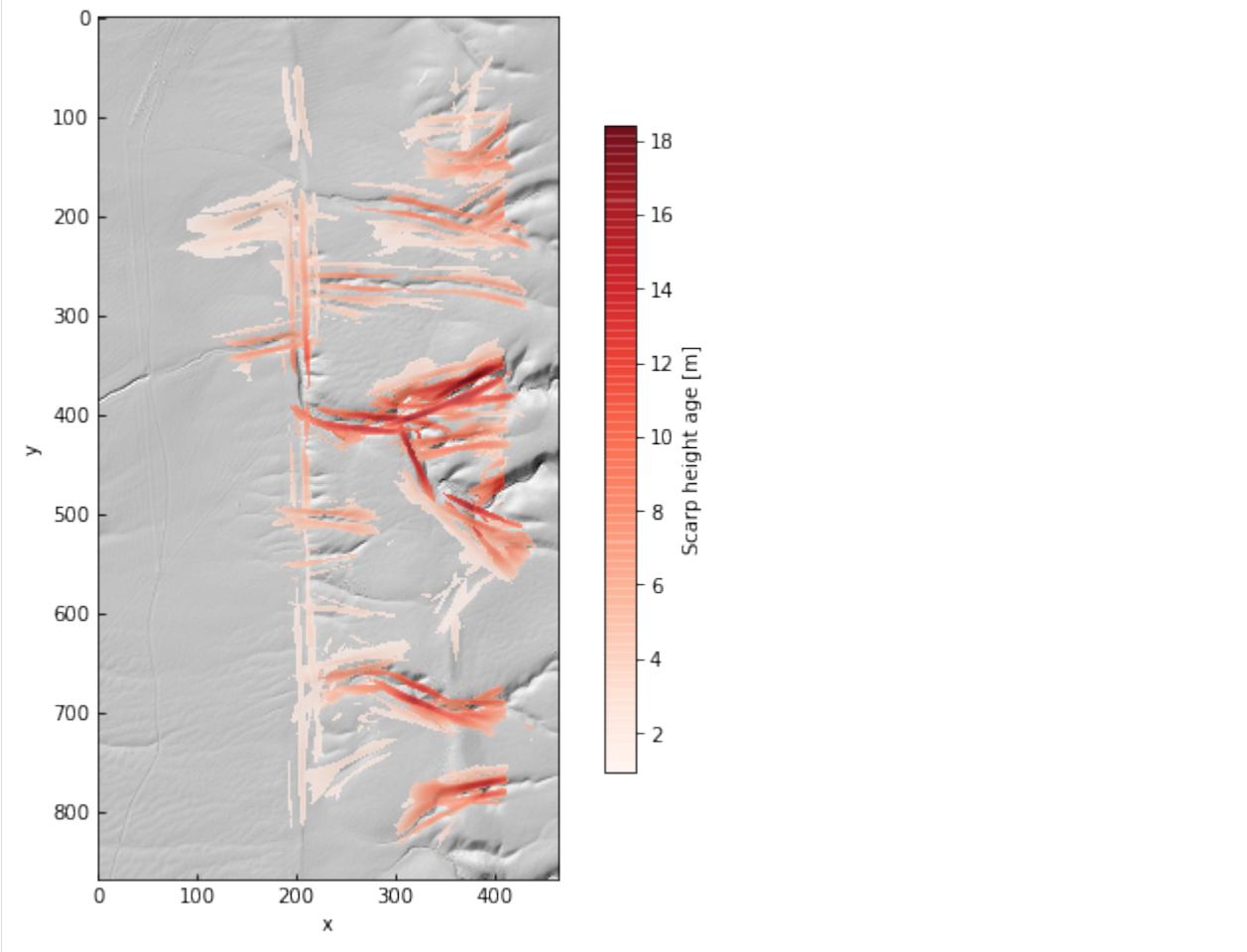
[7]: mask = snr < 100
amp[mask] = np.nan
amp = np.abs(amp)

[8]: data.plot(color=False, figsize=(8, 8))
ax = plt.gca()
im = ax.imshow(amp, alpha=0.75, cmap='Reds')

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```
cb = plt.colorbar(im, ax=ax, shrink=0.75, label='Scarp height [m]')
```



From the amplitude field, we can see that there are some false positives – the channels on the right side of the image – as well as amplitude gradients along the main fault trace.

Note that the units of relative age, also called morphologic age, are length<sup>2</sup>. This parameter is  $\kappa t$ , the product of elapsed time and a diffusivity constant ( $\kappa$ , with units of length<sup>2</sup> time<sup>-1</sup>). It can be thought of as an estimate of cross-sectional area degraded across the scarp since its formation, rather than the elapsed time since a scarp-generating event like an earthquake.

That example was for just one relative age, 10 m<sup>2</sup>. If we don't provide an `age` parameter it will search over a large range of ages from 0 to 3000 m<sup>2</sup>.

```
[9]: # Search over all ages in default range
# This can be slow on a laptop!
res = sl.match(data, Scarp, scale=100.)
```

Again, we'll do some masking to discard false positives and low-SNR features

```
[10]: angle, snr = [res[2], res[3]]
mask = snr < 100

# Mask out low SNR pixels
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res = np.array(res)
res[:, mask] = np.nan

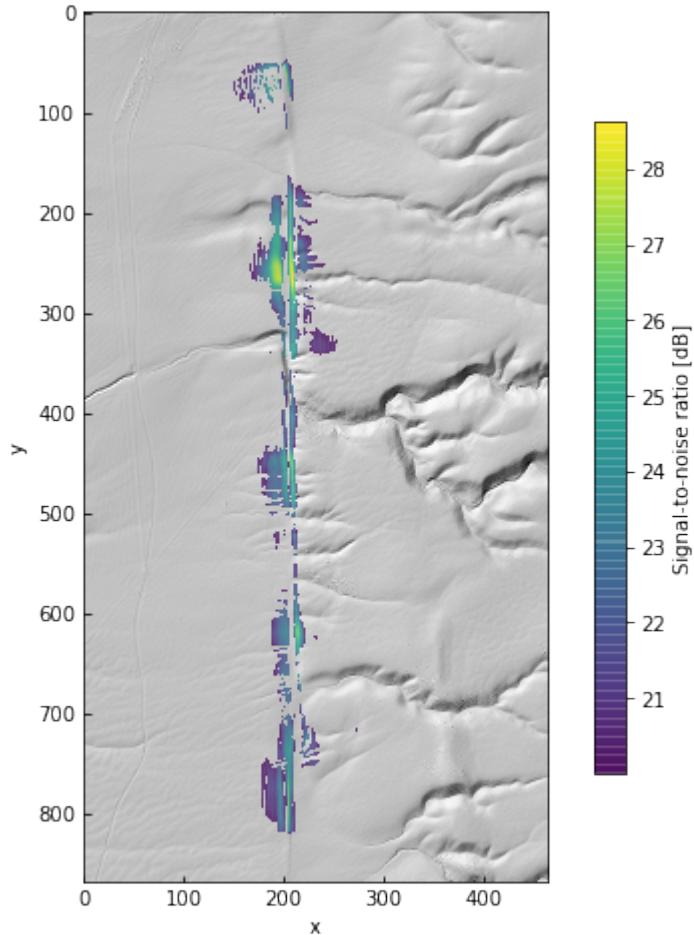
# Mask out pixels with orientations far from vertical
ew = np.abs(angle) >= 5 * np.pi / 180.
res[:, ew] = np.nan

# Mask out pixels on edges of dataset (for roads)
res[:, :, 0:150] = np.nan
res[:, :, -150:] = np.nan

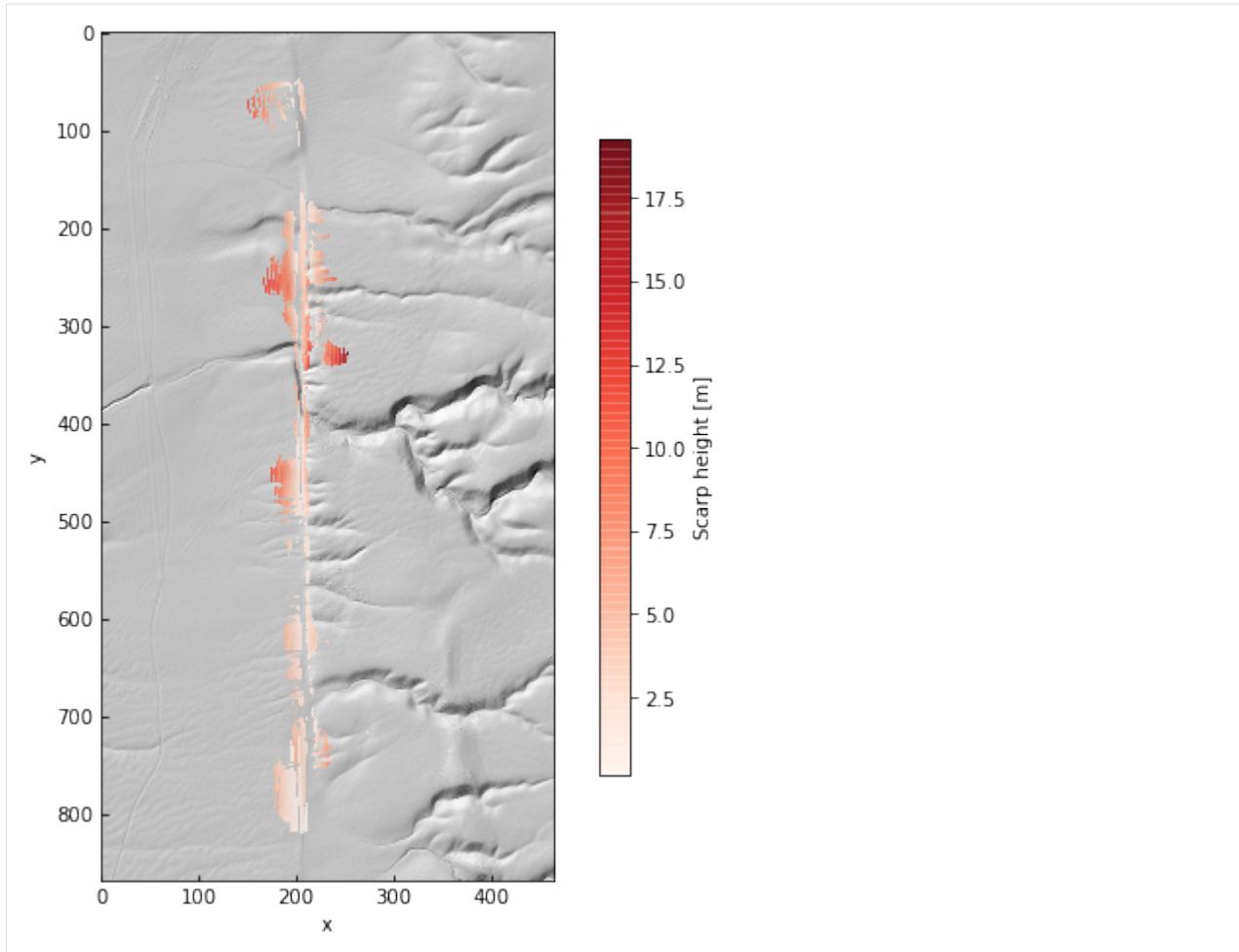
amp, age, angle, snr = res
amp = np.abs(amp)

```

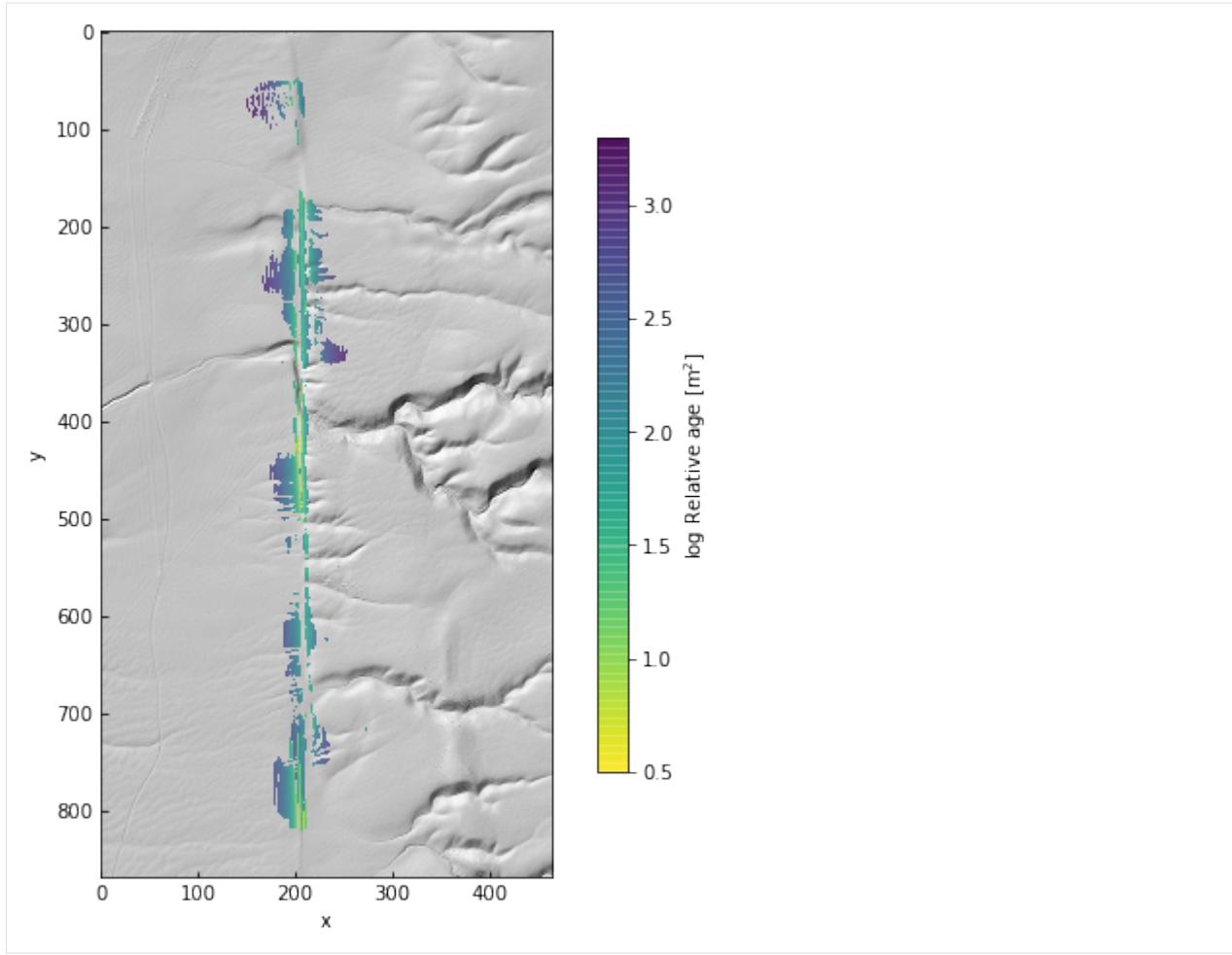
```
[11]: data.plot(color=False, figsize=(8, 8))
ax = plt.gca()
im = ax.imshow(10 * np.log10(res[3]), alpha=0.75, cmap='viridis')
cb = plt.colorbar(im, ax=ax, shrink=0.75, label='Signal-to-noise ratio [dB]')
```



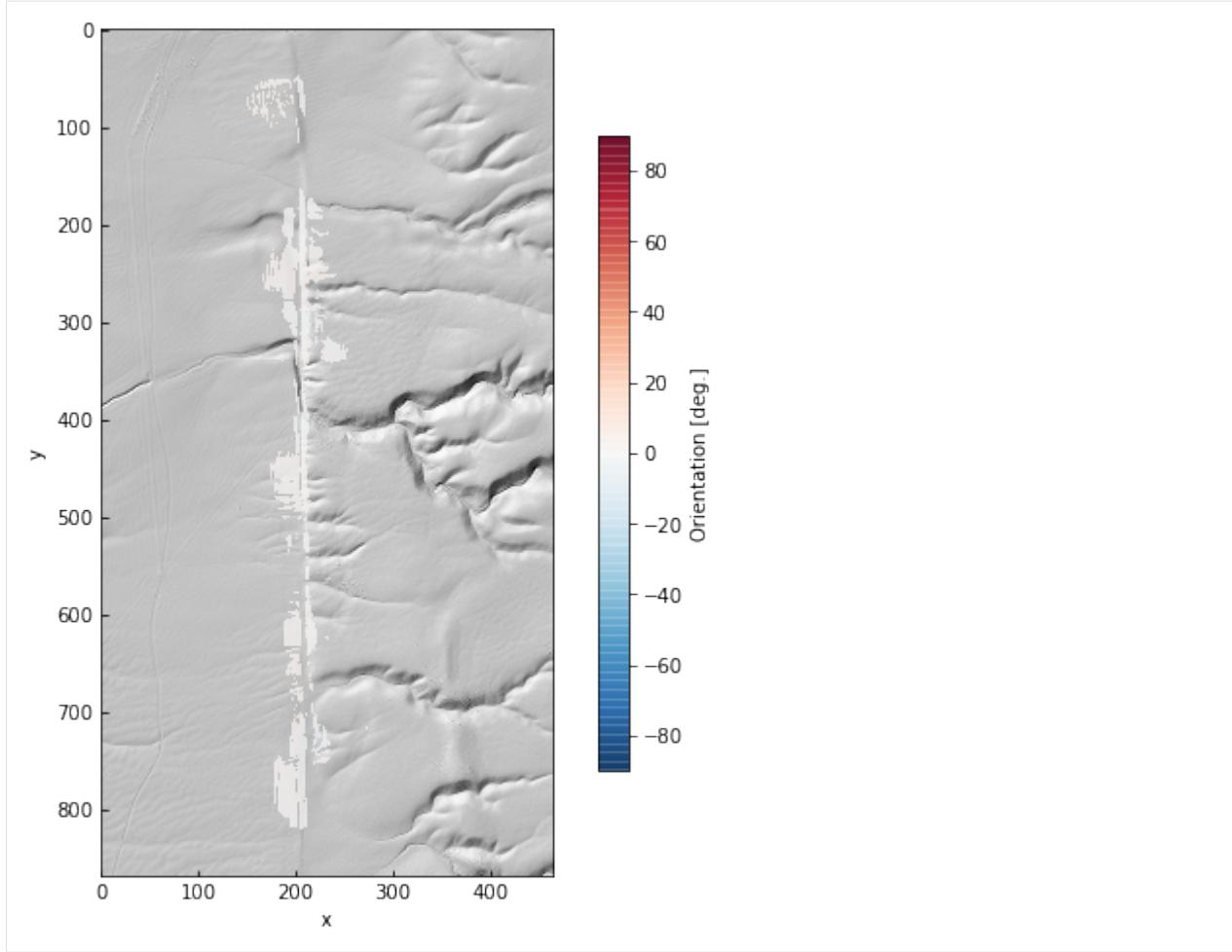
```
[12]: data.plot(color=False, figsize=(8, 8))
ax = plt.gca()
im = ax.imshow(amp, alpha=0.75, cmap='Reds')
cb = plt.colorbar(im, ax=ax, shrink=0.75, label='Scarp height [m]')
```



```
[13]: data.plot(color=False, figsize=(8, 8))
ax = plt.gca()
im = ax.imshow(np.log10(age), alpha=0.75, cmap='viridis_r')
cb = plt.colorbar(im, ax=ax, shrink=0.75, label='log Relative age [m^2]')
```



```
[14]: data.plot(color=False, figsize=(8, 8))
ax = plt.gca()
im = ax.imshow(angle * 180 / np.pi, alpha=0.75, cmap='RdBu_r', vmin=-90, vmax=90)
cb = plt.colorbar(im, ax=ax, shrink=0.75, label='Orientation [deg.]')
```



The parameter grids are just Numpy arrays. This gives us the option of looking at along-strike variations in age or height.

To do this, we iterate through the results to collect the maximum SNR pixels. A for loop isn't the most efficient way to do this, this is just for clarity!

```
[15]: best_amps = []
best_ages = []
for i, row in enumerate(snr):
    idx = np.where(row == np.nanmax(row))[0]
    if len(idx) > 0:
        j = idx[0]
        best_amps.append(amp[i][j])
        best_ages.append(age[i][j])
    else:
        best_amps.append(np.nan)
        best_ages.append(np.nan)

best_amps = np.array(best_amps)
best_ages = np.array(best_ages)
```

Add some percentile bounds for each row to give a little context to the single-pixel estimates from maximum SNR.

```
[16]: amp5 = [np.nanpercentile(row, 5) for row in amp]
amp95 = [np.nanpercentile(row, 95) for row in amp]
```

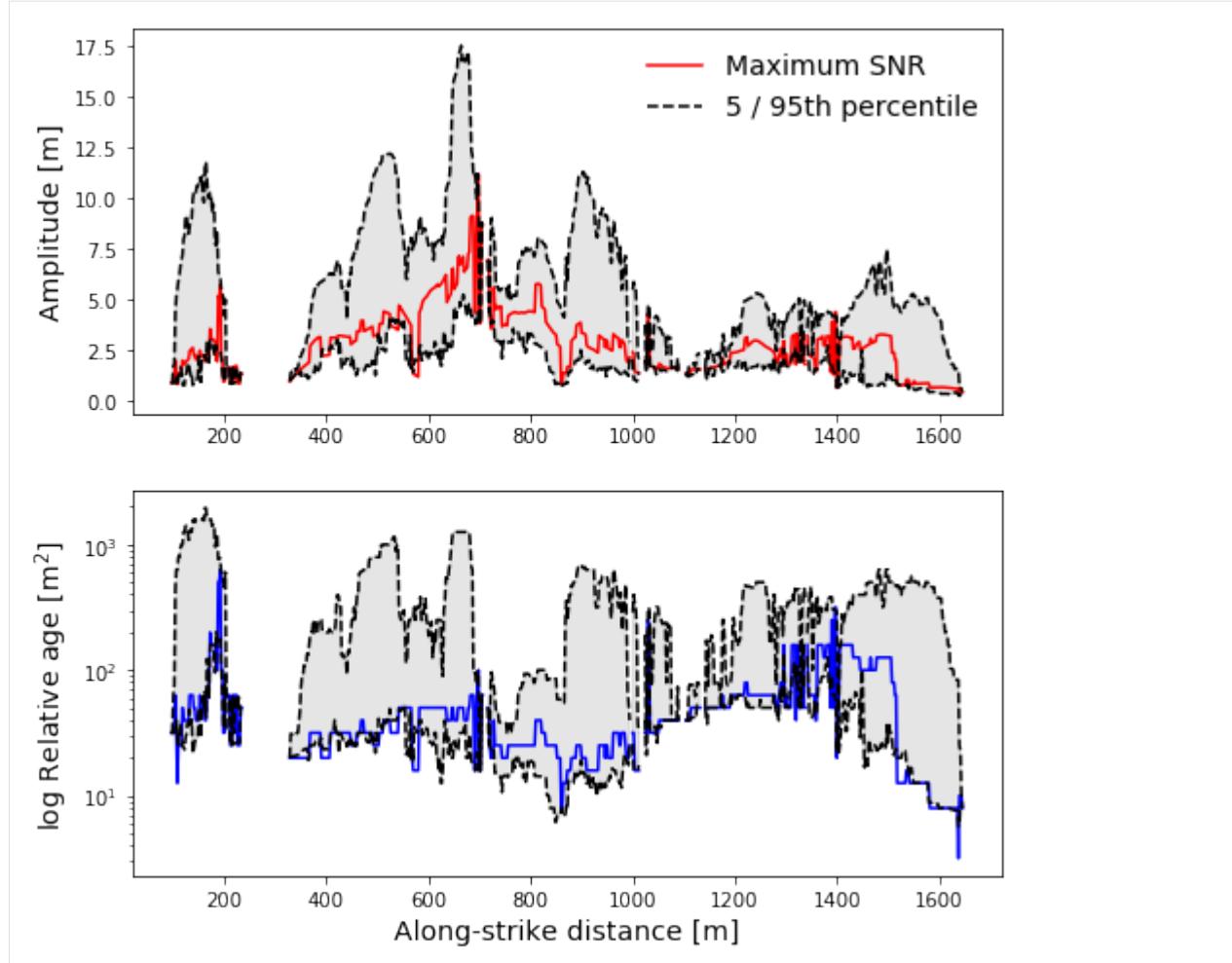
```
age5 = [np.nanpercentile(row, 5) for row in age]
age95 = [np.nanpercentile(row, 95) for row in age]
```

```
[17]: fig, ax = plt.subplots(2, 1, figsize=(8, 8))
x = np.arange(amp.shape[0]) * dx

ax[0].fill_between(x, y1=amp5, y2=amp95, color='k', alpha=0.1)
ax[0].plot(x, best_amps, 'r-', label='Maximum SNR')
ax[0].plot(x, amp5, 'k--', label='5 / 95th percentile')
ax[0].plot(x, amp95, 'k--')
ax[0].set_ylabel('Amplitude [m]', fontsize=14)

ax[1].fill_between(x, y1=age5, y2=age95, color='k', alpha=0.1)
ax[1].plot(x, best_ages, 'b-')
ax[1].plot(x, age5, 'k--')
ax[1].plot(x, age95, 'k--')
ax[1].set_yscale('log')
ax[1].set_xlabel('Along-strike distance [m]', fontsize=14)
ax[1].set_ylabel('log Relative age [m$^2$]', fontsize=14)

leg = ax[0].legend(loc='upper right', frameon=False, fontsize=14)
```



We can see there's some variability and a gap around the position of Wallace Creek, at about 700 m. The gap occurs because we filtered pixels by orientation; in the channel itself, there are no pixels oriented at about 0 deg., which is the fault zone orientation in this sample dataset.

Since the fault is right-lateral in this case, one working model is that rightmost scarps were initially formed in earlier events, and the scarps closer to the creek formed more recently. As the scarps continue away from the bank of that channel, from 800 to 1400 m, they get noticeably smoother. This is captured in the gradient in the estimated ages at those locations.

Of course, this is predicated on each scarp resulting from a single surface offset. That's not usually the case, as multiple surface-rupturing earthquakes may revisit an area. This can lead to smaller subsidiary slope breaks (multiple-event composite scarps) and generally complicate the interpretation of morphologic dating.

## 1.4 Extracting channels

This uses the Channel template to find channel network pixels by highlighting high-curvature parts of the landscape. It is available as a Jupyter notebook ([link](#)) in the repository. Sample data is provided in the [data folder](#).

### 1.4.1 Channel extraction in geomorphology

Wavelet analysis has been used to identify channels and rough landscape elements since the early days of high-resolution topographic data (e.g., Lashermes, et al., 2007). More recently, other approaches have become popular for extracting channel heads specifically. These include GeoNet, which uses nonlinear filtering and a multi-scale analysis of DEM curvature (Passalacqua, et al., 2010) and DrEICH, which identifies channel heads based on a fluvial-hillslope process transition encoded in elevation-flow length profiles (Clubb, et al., 2014).

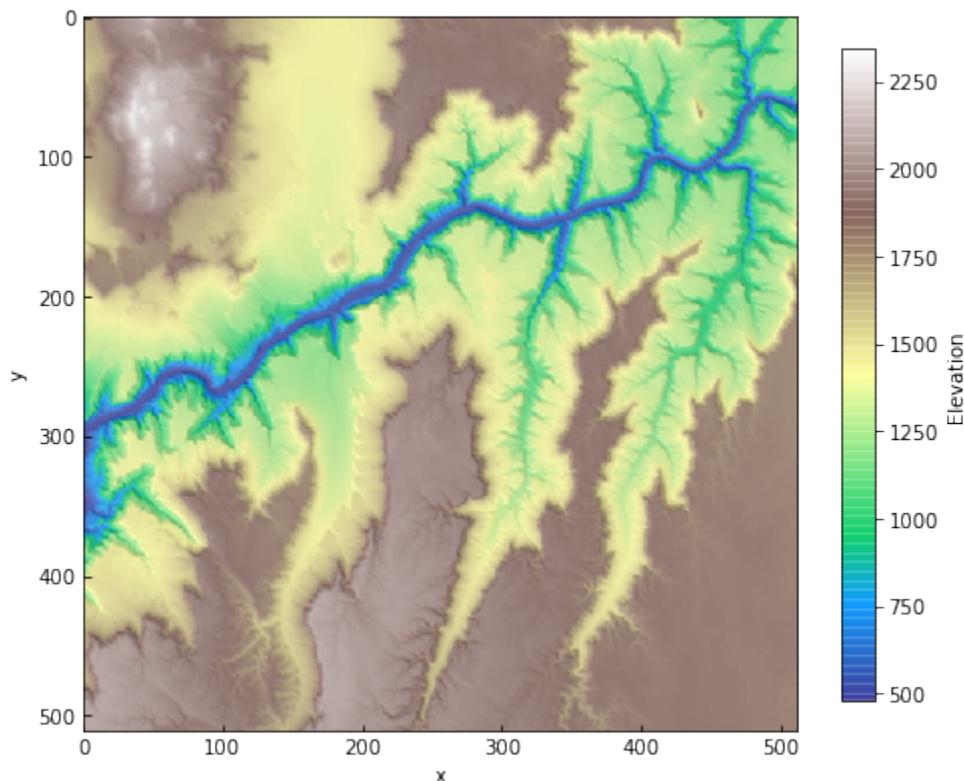
This example uses a Ricker wavelet similar to those used in earlier work to estimate channel or valley depth and orientation. Unlike the radially symmetric wavelets Lashermes, et al., 2007 or other approaches, this is a windowed version of that function that is linear in one direction.

```
[1]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
[2]: import scarplet as sl
from scarplet.datasets import load_grandcanyon
from scarplet.WindowedTemplate import Scarp, Channel
```

This sample data is an SRTM tile including part the Grand Canyon.

```
[3]: data = load_grandcanyon()
data.plot(color=True, figsize=(8, 8))
```



SRTM data is coarse – and in this case, we are working with ~76 m resolution (this is a tile at Web Mercator zoom level 10). The range of resolvable curvature will be very low. We can change this to work pixel units instead.

```
[4]: data._georef_info.dx = 1.
data._georef_info.dy = -1.
```

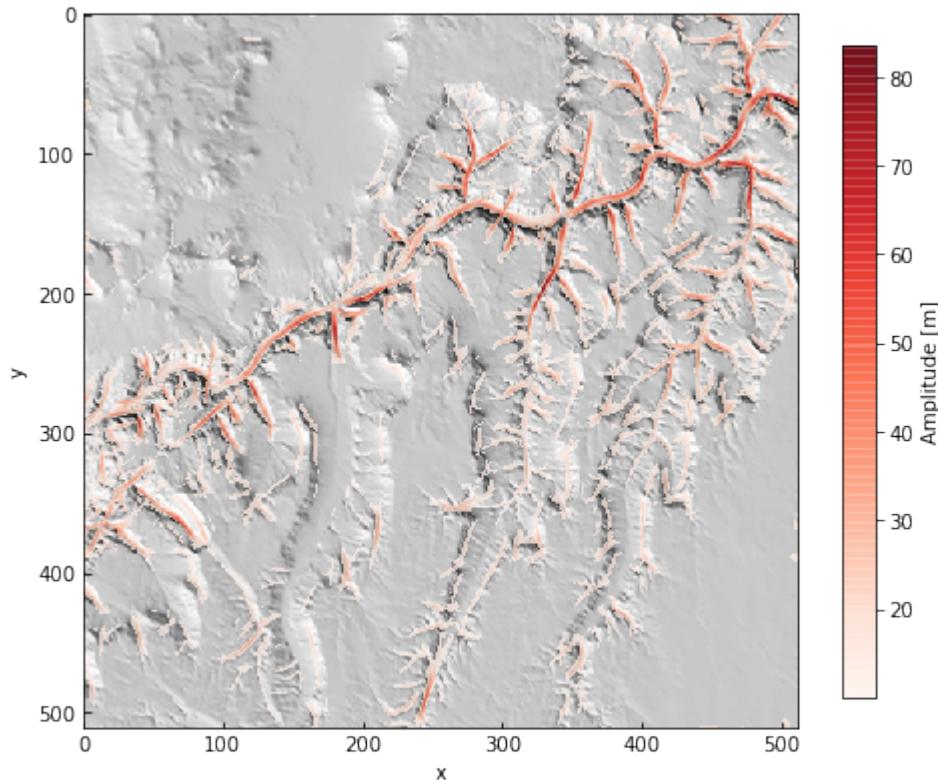
```
[5]: params = {'scale': 10.,
              'age': 0.1,
              'ang_min': -np.pi / 2,
              'ang_max': np.pi / 2
            }

res = sl.match(data, Channel, **params)
```

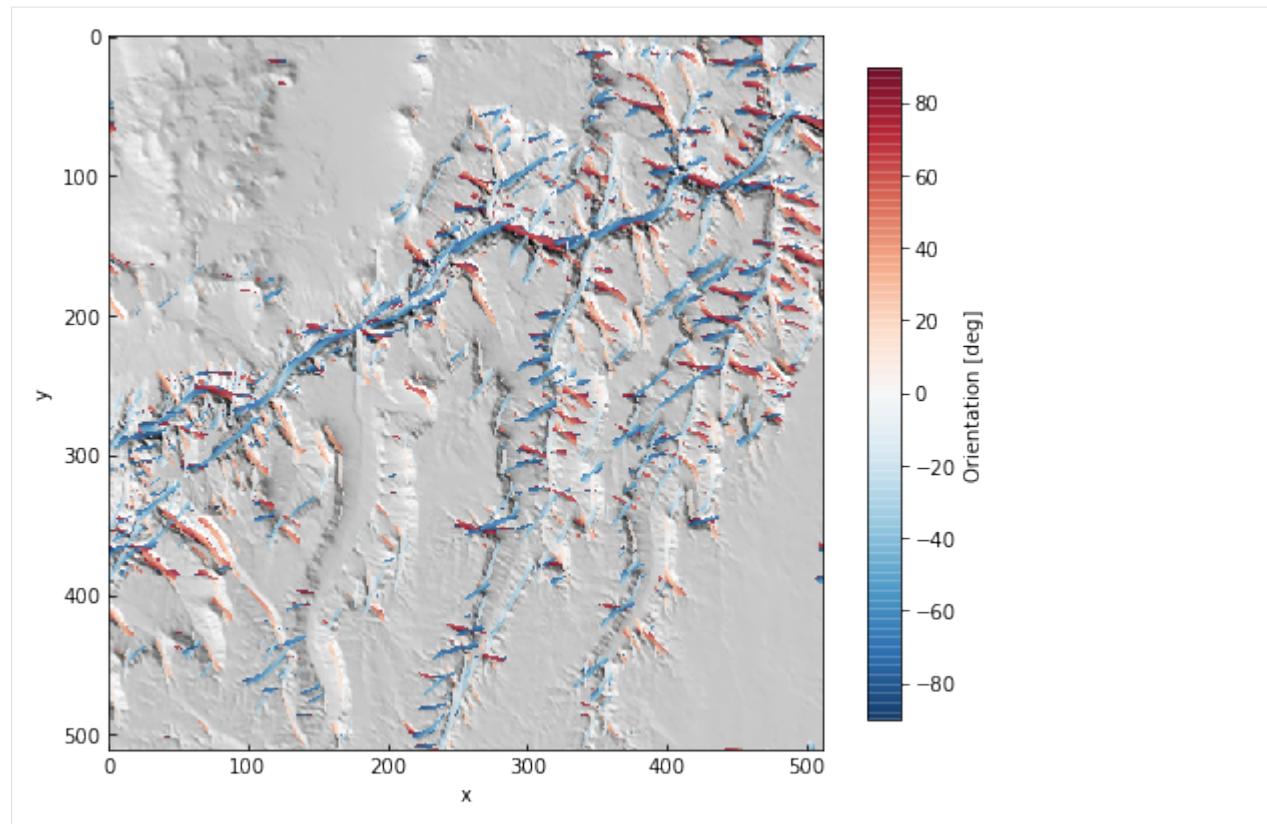
In this case, using the Ricker wavelet, negative amplitudes correspond to ridges and other convexities. Let's discard pixels with low amplitudes to see the main channels in the network.

```
[7]: mask = res[0] < 10.
res[:, mask] = np.nan
```

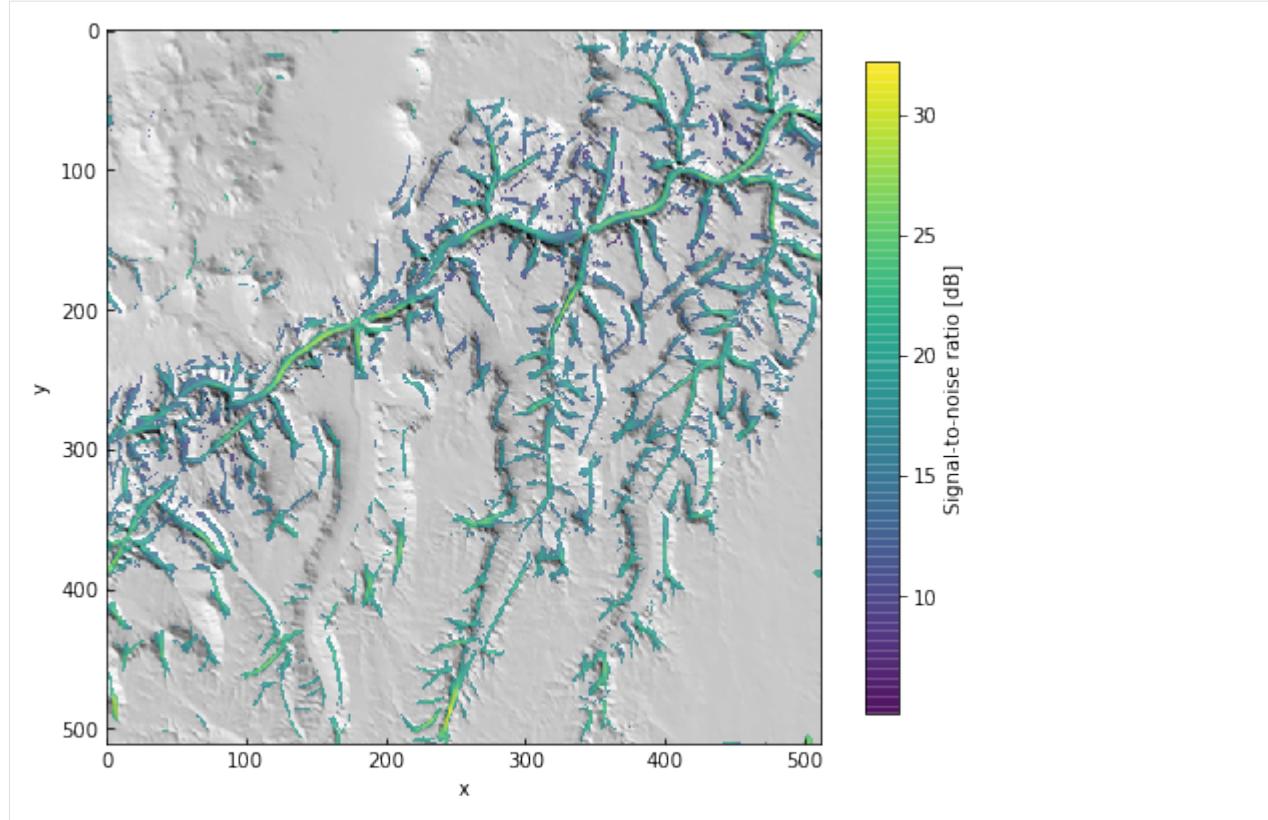
```
[13]: data = sl.datasets.load_grandcanyon()
data.plot(color=False, figsize=(8, 8))
ax = plt.gca()
im = ax.imshow(res[0], alpha=0.75, cmap='Reds')
cb = plt.colorbar(im, ax=ax, shrink=0.75, label='Amplitude [m]')
```



```
[14]: data.plot(color=False, figsize=(8, 8))
ax = plt.gca()
angle = res[2] * 180. / np. pi
im = ax.imshow(angle, alpha=0.75, cmap='RdBu_r')
cb = plt.colorbar(im, ax=ax, shrink=0.75, label='Orientation [deg]')
```



```
[15]: data.plot(color=False, figsize=(8, 8))
ax = plt.gca()
im = ax.imshow(10 * np.log10(res[3]), alpha=0.75, cmap='viridis')
cb = plt.colorbar(im, ax=ax, shrink=0.75, label='Signal-to-noise ratio [dB]')
```



## 1.5 Multiprocessing and scarplet

This simple example shows how to use the `match_template` and `compare` methods with a multiprocessing worker pool.

It is available as a Jupyter notebook ([link](#)) in the repository. Sample data is provided in the `data` folder.

```
[1]: import numpy as np
      import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

      from functools import partial
      from multiprocessing import Pool

      import scarplet as sl
      from scarplet.datasets import load_synthetic
      from scarplet.WindowedTemplate import Scarp

[2]: data = load_synthetic()

[3]: # Define parameters for search
      scale = 10
      age = 10.
      angles = np.linspace(-np.pi / 2, np.pi / 2, 181)
      nprocs = 3
```

For each set of input parameters, we can start a separate masking task. These can be run in parallel, which is what `scarplet` does by default.

```
[4]: # Start separate search tasks
pool = Pool(processes=nprocs)
wrapper = partial(sl.match_template, data, Scarp, scale, age)
results = pool imap(wrapper, angles, chunksize=1)
```

```
[5]: %%time
# Reduce the final results as they are completed
ny, nx = data.shape
best = sl.compare(results, nx, ny)

CPU times: user 720 ms, sys: 296 ms, total: 1.02 s
Wall time: 2.48 s
```

To compare, we can a loop to fit the templates sequentially.

```
[6]: %%time
best = np.zeros((4, ny, nx))
for angle in angles:
    results = sl.match_template(data, Scarp, scale, age, angle)
    best = sl.compare([best, results], nx, ny)

CPU times: user 3.76 s, sys: 708 ms, total: 4.47 s
Wall time: 3.62 s
```

We get a fairly good speed up just using three processes on this small test case. Distributing tasks and reducing results using a cluster can make processing large datasets feasible. For example, `dask` provides nice distributed task management in Python.

## 1.6 API Reference

This package is structured so that most functions are implemented in a `core` submodule and templates are defined as subclasses of `WindowedTemplate` in the `WindowedTemplate` submodule. Spatial data and I/O is handled by classes defined in `dem`.

### 1.6.1 Core functionality

#### `scarplet.core` module

Functions for determining best-fit template parameters by convolution with a grid

```
scarplet.core.calculate_amplitude(dem, Template, scale, age, angle)
Calculate amplitude and SNR of features using a template
```

##### Parameters

**dem** [DEMGrid] Grid object of elevation data

**Template** [WindowedTemplate] Class representing template function

**scale** [float] Scale of template function in DEM cell units

**age** [float] Age parameter for template function

**angle** [float] Orientation of template in radians

##### Returns

**amp** [np.array] 2-D array of amplitudes for each DEM pixel

**snr** [np.array] 2-D array of signal-to-noise ratios for each DEM pixel

```
scarplet.core.calculate_best_fit_parameters(dem,      Template,      scale,      age,
                                            ang_max=<MagicMock
                                            name='mock.__truediv__()'
                                            id='140376671519576'>,
                                            ang_min=<MagicMock
                                            name='mock.__neg__().__truediv__()'
                                            id='140376671612880'>, **kwargs)
```

Calculate best-fitting parameters using a template with parallel search

#### Parameters

**dem** [DEMGrid] Grid object of elevation data

**Template** [WindowedTemplate] Class representing template function

**scale** [float] Scale of template function in DEM cell units

**age** [float] Age parameter for template function

#### Returns

**results** [np.array] Array of best amplitudes, ages, orientations, and signal-to-noise ratios for each DEM pixel. Dimensions of (4, height, width).

#### Other Parameters

**ang\_max** [float, optional] Maximum orientation of template, default pi / 2

**ang\_min** [float, optional] Minimum orientation of template, default -pi / 2

```
scarplet.core.calculate_best_fit_parameters_serial(dem,      Template,      scale,
                                                 ang_max=<MagicMock
                                                 name='mock.__truediv__()'
                                                 id='140376660332328'>,
                                                 ang_min=<MagicMock
                                                 name='mock.__neg__().__truediv__()'
                                                 id='140376661312512'>,
                                                 **kwargs)
```

Calculate best-fitting parameters using a template

#### Parameters

**dem** [DEMGrid] Grid object of elevation data

**Template** [WindowedTemplate] Class representing template function

**scale** [float] Scale of template function in DEM cell units

#### Returns

**best\_amp** [np.array] 2-D array of best-fitting amplitudes for each DEM pixel

**best\_age** [np.array] 2-D array of best-fitting ages for each DEM pixel

**best\_angle** [np.array] 2-D array of best-fitting orientations for each DEM pixel

**best\_snr** [np.array] 2-D array of maximum signal-to-noise ratios for each DEM pixel

#### Other Parameters

**ang\_max** [float, optional] Maximum orientation of template, default pi / 2

**ang\_min** [float, optional] Minimum orientation of template, default -pi / 2

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**kwargs** [optional] Any additional keyword arguments that may be passed to the template() method of the Template class

scarplet.core.compare(results, ny, nx)  
Compare template matching results from asynchronous tasks

#### Parameters

**results** [iterable] Iterable containing outputs of a template matching method  
**ny** [int] Number of rows in output  
**nx** [int] Number of columns in output

#### Returns

**best\_amp** [np.array] 2-D array of best-fitting amplitudes  
**best\_age** [np.array] 2-D array of best-fitting morphologic ages  
**best\_angle** [np.array] 2-D array of best-fitting orientations  
**best\_snr** [np.array] 2-D array of maximum signal-to-noise ratios

scarplet.core.load(filename)

Load DEM from file

#### Parameters

**filename** [string] Filename of DEM

#### Returns

**data\_obj** [DEMGrid] DEMGrid object with DEM data

scarplet.core.match(data, Template, \*\*kwargs)

Match template to input data from DEM

#### Parameters

**data** [DEMGrid] DEMGrid object containing input data  
**Template** [WindowedTemplate] Class of template function to use

#### Returns

**results** [np.array] Array of best amplitudes, ages, orientations, and signal-to-noise ratios for each DEM pixel. Dimensions of (4, height, width).

scarplet.core.match\_template(data, Template, scale, age, angle, \*\*kwargs)

Match template function to curvature using convolution

#### Parameters

**data** [DEMGrid] Grid object of elevation data  
**Template** [WindowedTemplate] Class representing template function  
**scale** [float] Scale of template function in DEM cell units  
**age** [float] Age parameter for template function  
**angle** [float] Orientation of template in radians

#### Returns

**amp** [np.array] 2-D array of amplitudes for each DEM pixel  
**age** [np.array] template age in m<sup>2</sup>

**angle** [np.array] template orientation in radians  
**snr** [np.array] 2-D array of signal-to-noise ratios for each DEM pixel

### Other Parameters

**kwargs** [optional] Any additional keyword arguments that may be passed to the template() method of the Template class

## References

Modifies method described in

Hilley, G.E., DeLong, S., Prentice, C., Blisniuk, K. and Arrowsmith, J.R., 2010. Morphologic dating of fault scarps using airborne laser swath mapping (ALSM) data. Geophysical Research Letters, 37(4). <https://dx.doi.org/10.1029/2009GL042044>

`scarplet.core.plot_results(data, results, az=315, elev=45, figsize=(4, 16))`

Plots maps of results from template matching

### Parameters

**data** [DEMGrid] DEMGrid object containing input data  
**results** [np.array] Array of best-fitting results from compare() or similar function

## 1.6.2 Templates

### scarplet.WindowedTemplate module

Class for windowed template matching over a spatial grid

**class** `scarplet.WindowedTemplate.Channel(d, f, alpha, nx, ny, de)`  
Bases: `scarplet.WindowedTemplate.Ricker`

Duplicate class for Ricker wavelet used for fluvial channels

### Methods

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<code>template()</code>	Template function for windowed Ricker wavelet
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<code>get_coordinates</code>	
<code>get_mask</code>	
<code>get_window_limits</code>	

**class** `scarplet.WindowedTemplate.Crater(r, kt, nx, ny, de)`  
Bases: `scarplet.WindowedTemplate.WindowedTemplate`  
Template for radially symmetric crater

### Attributes

**r** [float] Radius of crater in pixels  
**kt** [float] Morphologic age of template crater rim in m<sup>2</sup>  
**nx** [int] Number of columns in template array

**ny** [int] Number of rows in template array  
**de** [float] Spacing of template grid cells in dat projection units

## Methods

<code>template()</code>	Template function for radially symmetric crater
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<code>get_coordinates</code>	
<code>get_mask</code>	
<code>get_window_limits</code>	

**template()**  
Template function for radially symmetric crater

### Returns

**W** [numpy array] Windowed template function

**class** `scarplet.WindowedTemplate.LeftFacingUpperBreakScarp(d, kt, alpha, nx, ny, de)`  
Bases: `scarplet.WindowedTemplate.Scrap`

Template for upper slope break of vertical scarp (left-facing)

### Attributes

**d** [float] Scale of windowed template function in data projection units  
**alpha** [float] Orientation of windowed template function in radians  
**kt** [float] Morphologic age of template in m2  
**nx** [int] Number of columns in template array  
**ny** [int] Number of rows in template array  
**de** [float] Spacing of template grid cells in dat projection units

## Methods

<code>get_error_mask():</code>	Return mask array that masks the lower slope break of scarp
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**get\_err\_mask()**  
Return mask array masking the lower half of scarp

### Returns

**mask** [numpy array] Mask array for lower half of scarp

**class** `scarplet.WindowedTemplate.Ricker(d, f, alpha, nx, ny, de)`  
Bases: `scarplet.WindowedTemplate.WindowedTemplate`

Template using 2D Ricker wavelet

## References

This implements a Ricker wavelet similar to thet used in the following work

Lashermes, B., Foufoula-Georgiou, E., and Dietrich, W. E., 2007, Channel network extraction from high resolution topography using wavelets. *Geophysical Research Letters*, 34(23). <https://doi.org/10.1029/2007GL031140>

### Attributes

- d** [float] Scale of windowed template function in data projection units
- alpha** [float] Orientation of windowed template function in radians
- kt** [float] Morphologic age of template in m<sup>2</sup>
- nx** [int] Number of columns in template array
- ny** [int] Number of rows in template array
- de** [float] Spacing of template grid cells in dat projection units

## Methods

<b>template()</b> :	Returns array of windowed template function
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**get\_window\_limits()**

**template()**

Template function for windowed Ricker wavelet

### Returns

**W** [numpy array] Windowed template function

**class** scarplet.WindowedTemplate.**RightFacingUpperBreakScarp**(*d, kt, alpha, nx, ny, de*)

Bases: *scarplet.WindowedTemplate.Scrap*

Template for upper slope break of vertical scarp (right-facting)

Overrides template function to correct facign direction

### Attributes

- d** [float] Scale of windowed template function in data projection units
- alpha** [float] Orientation of windowed template function in radians
- kt** [float] Morphologic age of template in m<sup>2</sup>
- nx** [int] Number of columns in template array
- ny** [int] Number of rows in template array
- de** [float] Spacing of template grid cells in dat projection units

## Methods

<b>get_error_mask()</b> :	Return mask array that masks the lower slope break of scarp
<b>template()</b> :	Returns array of windowed template function

---

```
get_err_mask()
    Return mask array masking the lower half of scarp

Returns
    mask [numpy array] Mask array for lower half of scarp

template()
    Return template function (uses numexpr where possible)

Returns
    W [numpy array] Windowed template function

class scarplet.WindowedTemplate.Scarp(d, kt, alpha, nx, ny, de)
    Bases: scarplet.WindowedTemplate.WindowedTemplate

    Curvature template for vertical scarp
```

## References

Adapted from template derived in

Hilley, G.E., DeLong, S., Prentice, C., Blisniuk, K. and Arrowsmith, J.R., 2010. Morphologic dating of fault scarps using airborne laser swath mapping (ALSM) data. Geophysical Research Letters, 37(4). <https://dx.doi.org/10.1029/2009GL042044>

Based on solutions to the diffusion equation published in

Hanks, T.C., 2000. The age of scarplike landforms from diffusion-equation analysis. Quaternary geochronology, 4, pp.313-338.

and many references therein.

## Attributes

<b>d</b> [float]	Scale of windowed template function in data projection units
<b>alpha</b> [float]	Orientation of windowed template function in radians
<b>kt</b> [float]	Morphologic age of template in m <sup>2</sup>
<b>nx</b> [int]	Number of columns in template array
<b>ny</b> [int]	Number of rows in template array
<b>de</b> [float]	Spacing of template grid cells in dat projection units

## Methods

<b>template():</b>	Returns array of windowed template function
<b>template_numexpr():</b>	Returns array of windowed template function optimized using numexpr

```
template()
    Return template function

Returns
    W [numpy array] Windowed template function

template_numexpr()
    Return template function (uses numexpr where possible)
```

### Returns

**W** [numpy array] Windowed template function

```
class scarplet.WindowedTemplate.ShiftedLeftFacingUpperBreakScarp(*args,  
**kwargs)  
Bases: scarplet.WindowedTemplate.ShiftedTemplateMixin, scarplet.  
WindowedTemplate.LeftFacingUpperBreakScarp
```

### Methods

get_err_mask()	Return mask array masking the lower half of scarp
set_offset(dx, dy)	Set offset values
shift_template(W, dx, dy)	Shift template
template()	Template function for shifted template
template_numexpr()	Return template function (uses numexpr where possible)

<b>get_coordinates</b>	
<b>get_mask</b>	
<b>get_window_limits</b>	

```
class scarplet.WindowedTemplate.ShiftedRightFacingUpperBreakScarp(*args,  
**kwargs)  
Bases: scarplet.WindowedTemplate.ShiftedTemplateMixin, scarplet.  
WindowedTemplate.RightFacingUpperBreakScarp
```

### Methods

get_err_mask()	Return mask array masking the lower half of scarp
set_offset(dx, dy)	Set offset values
shift_template(W, dx, dy)	Shift template
template()	Template function for shifted template
template_numexpr()	Return template function (uses numexpr where possible)

<b>get_coordinates</b>	
<b>get_mask</b>	
<b>get_window_limits</b>	

```
class scarplet.WindowedTemplate.ShiftedTemplateMixin(*args, **kwargs)
```

Bases: scarplet.WindowedTemplate.WindowedTemplate

Mix-in for template that is offset from the window center

Overrides template function to shift template

### Attributes

**d** [float] Scale of windowed template function in data projection units

**alpha** [float] Orientation of windowed template function in radians

**kt** [float] Morphologic age of template in m2  
**nx** [int] Number of columns in template array  
**ny** [int] Number of rows in template array  
**de** [float] Spacing of template grid cells in dat projection units  
**dx** [float] X Offset of template center in data projection units  
**dy** [float] Y Offset of template center data projection units

## Methods

<b>set_offset(dx, dy):</b>	Set offset attrivutes t odx and dy
<b>shift_template(W, dx, dy):</b>	Shift template array W by dx and dy
<b>template():</b>	Returns array of windowed template function

**set\_offset (dx, dy)**

Set offset values

### Parameters

**dx** [float] X Offset of template center in data projection units  
**dy** [float] Y Offset of template center data projection units

**shift\_template (W, dx, dy)**

Shift template

### Parameters

**W** [numpy array] Windowed template function  
**dx** [float] X Offset of template center in data projection units  
**dy** [float] Y Offset of template center data projection units

### Returns

**W** [numpy array] Shifted windowed template function

**template ()**

Template function for shifted template

### Returns

**W** [numpy array] Shifted windowed template function

**class** scarplet.WindowedTemplate.**WindowedTemplate**

Bases: object

Base class for windowed template function

### Attributes

**d** [float] Scale of windowed template function in data projection units  
**alpha** [float] Orientation of windowed template function in radians  
**c** [float] Curvature limit of template  
**nx** [int] Number of columns in template array  
**ny** [int] Number of rows in template array

**de** [float] Spacing of template grid cells in dat projection units

## Methods

<b>get_coordinates()</b> :	Get arrays of coordinates for template grid points
<b>get_mask()</b> :	Get mask array giving curvature extent of template window
<b>get_window_limits()</b> :	Get mask array giving window extent

```
get_coordinates()  
get_mask()  
get_window_limits()
```

## 1.6.3 Data and IO

### scarplet.dem module

Classes for loading digital elevation models as numeric grids

```
class scarplet.dem.BaseSpatialGrid(filename=None)  
Bases: scarplet.dem.GDALMixin
```

Base class for spatial grid

## Methods

<i>dtype</i>	
<i>is_contiguous</i> (grid)	Returns true if grids are contiguous or overlap
<i>load</i> (filename)	Load grid from file
<i>merge</i> (grid)	Merge this grid with another BaseSpatialGrid.
<i>plot</i> (**kwargs)	Plot grid data
<i>save</i> (filename)	Save grid as georeferenced TIFF

```
dtype = <MagicMock name='mock.GDT_Float32' id='140376660782104'>
```

```
is_contiguous(grid)  
Returns true if grids are contiguous or overlap
```

### Parameters

**grid** [BaseSpatialGrid]

```
load(filename)  
Load grid from file
```

```
merge(grid)  
Merge this grid with another BaseSpatialGrid.
```

Wrapper around gdal\_merge.py.

### Parameters

**grid** [BaseSpatialGrid]

### Returns

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**merged\_grid** [BaseSpatialGrid]

**plot** (\*\*kwargs)  
Plot grid data

**Keyword args:** Any valid keyword argument for matplotlib.pyplot.imshow

**save** (filename)  
Save grid as georeferenced TIFF

**class** scarplet.dem.CalculationMixin  
Bases: object

Mix-in class for grid calculations

**class** scarplet.dem.DEMGrid (filename=None)  
Bases: scarplet.dem.CalculationMixin, scarplet.dem.BaseSpatialGrid

Class representing grid of elevation values

## Methods

---

<code>dtype</code>	
<code>is_contiguous(grid)</code>	Returns true if grids are contiguous or overlap
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load grid from file
<code>merge(grid)</code>	Merge this grid with another BaseSpatialGrid.
<code>plot([color])</code>	Plot grid data
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save grid as georeferenced TIFF

---

**plot** (color=True, \*\*kwargs)  
Plot grid data

**Keyword args:** Any valid keyword argument for matplotlib.pyplot.imshow

**class** scarplet.dem.GDALMixin  
Bases: object

**class** scarplet.dem.GeorefInfo  
Bases: object

**class** scarplet.dem.Hillshade (dem)  
Bases: scarplet.dem.BaseSpatialGrid

Class representing hillshade of DEM

## Methods

---

<code>dtype</code>	
<code>is_contiguous(grid)</code>	Returns true if grids are contiguous or overlap
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load grid from file
<code>merge(grid)</code>	Merge this grid with another BaseSpatialGrid.
<code>plot([az, elev])</code>	Plot hillshade
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save grid as georeferenced TIFF

---

**plot** (az=315, elev=45)  
Plot hillshade

## scarplet.datasets package

### Submodules

#### scarplet.datasets.base module

Convenience functions to load example datasets

`scarplet.datasets.base.load_carrizo()`

Load sample dataset containing fault scarps along the San Andreas Fault from the Wallace Creek section on the Carrizo Plain, California, USA

Data downloaded from OpenTopography and collected by the B4 Lidar Project: <https://catalog.data.gov/dataset/b4-project-southern-san-andreas-and-san-jacinto-faults>

`scarplet.datasets.base.load_grandcanyon()`

Load sample dataset containing part of channel network in the Grand Canyon Arizona, USA

Data downloaded from the Terrain Tile dataset, part of Amazon Earth on AWS <https://registry.opendata.aws/terrain-tiles/>

`scarplet.datasets.base.load_synthetic()`

Load sample dataset of synthetic fault scarp of morphologic age 10 m<sup>2</sup>

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