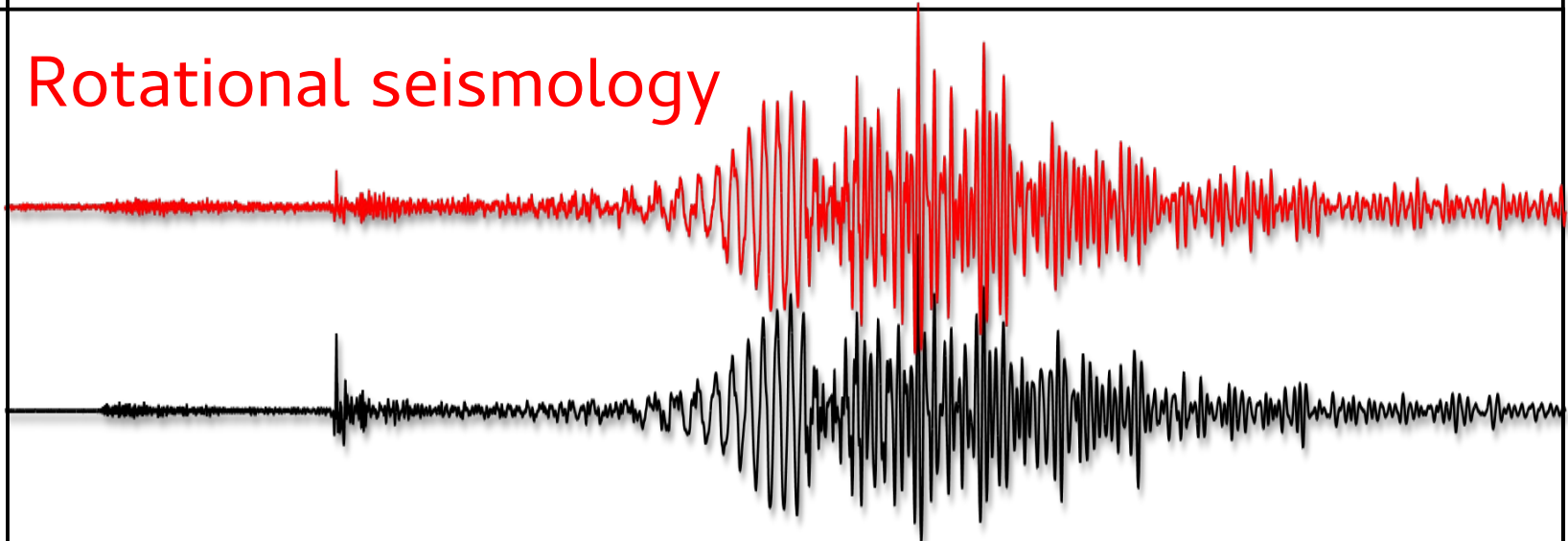


Rotational seismology



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Rotational seismology

Rotational rate

Transverse acceleration

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What are rotations?

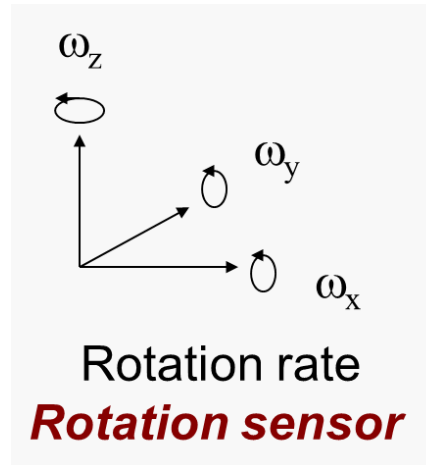
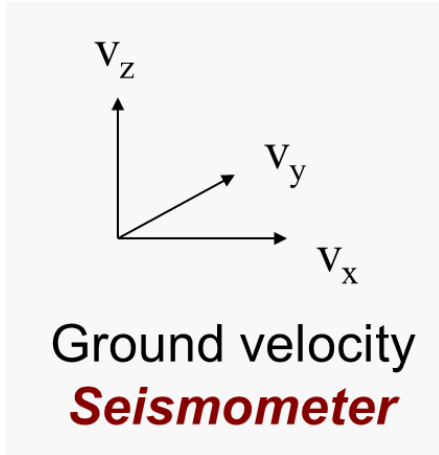
Entire wave field:

$$u(x+\delta x) = u(x) + \varepsilon \delta x + \omega \times \delta x$$

3C Translation

+ 6C Strain

+ 3C Rotation



$$\omega = 1/2 \nabla \times u(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\omega_x &= 1/2 (\partial u_z / \partial y - \partial u_y / \partial z) \\ \omega_y &= 1/2 (\partial u_x / \partial z - \partial u_z / \partial x) \\ \omega_z &= 1/2 (\partial u_y / \partial x - \partial u_x / \partial y)\end{aligned}$$

e.g. Cochard et al., 2006

Why?



Structural engineering

Why?

Source

Structure

Wavefield

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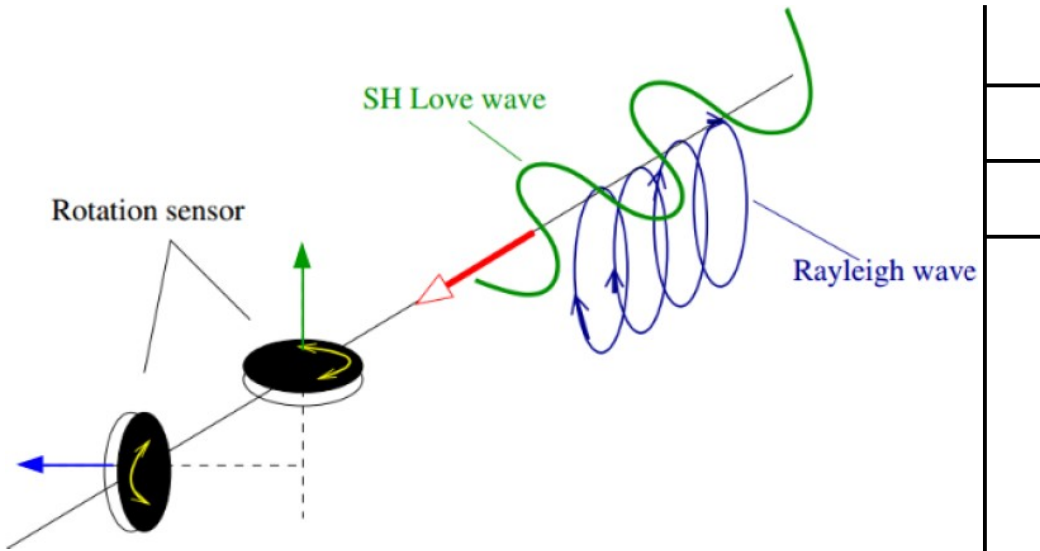
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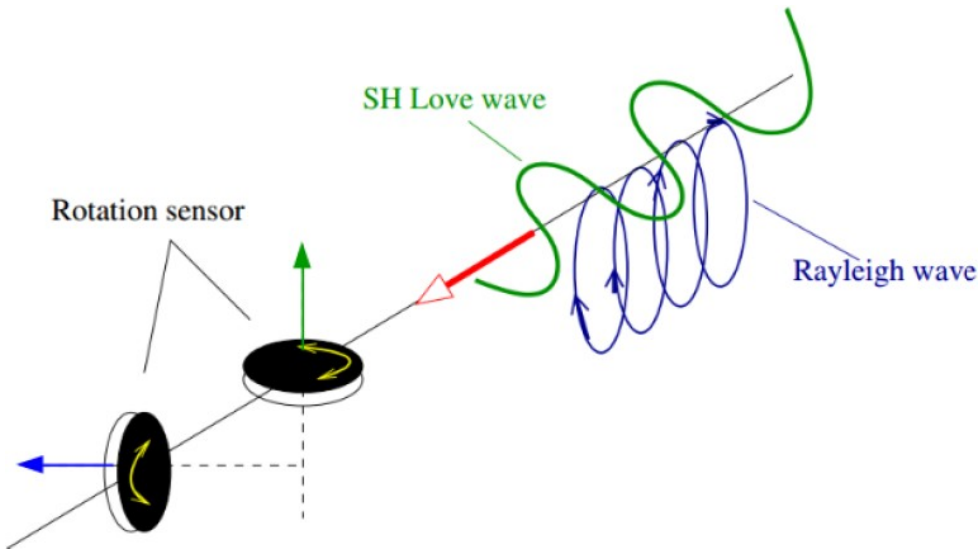
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Rotations → wavetype filter



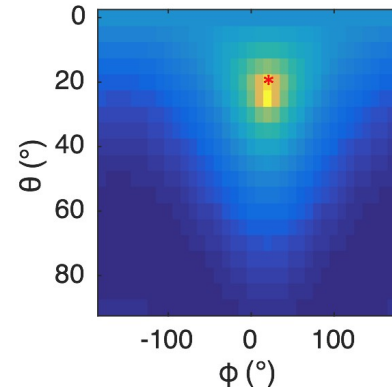
Love & SH motion → vertical rotation
Rayleigh → horizontal rotation

Rotations → wavetype filter



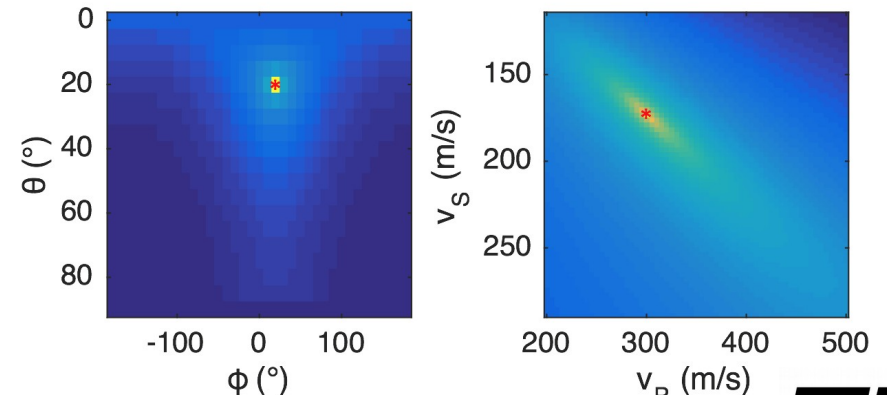
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3-C MUSIC Result



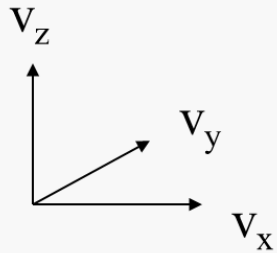
David Sollberger *et al.*
Polarization analysis
With 3 vs 6 components

6-C MUSIC Result



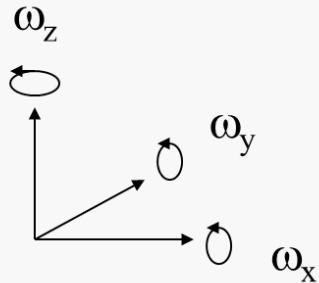
Combining Rotation and Translation

3C Translation



Ground velocity
Seismometer

+ 3C Rotation



Rotation rate
Rotation sensor

$$\frac{a_T}{\dot{\omega}_z} = \frac{-k^2 c^2 A \sin(kx - kct)}{\frac{1}{2} k^2 c A \sin(kx - kct)} = -2c$$

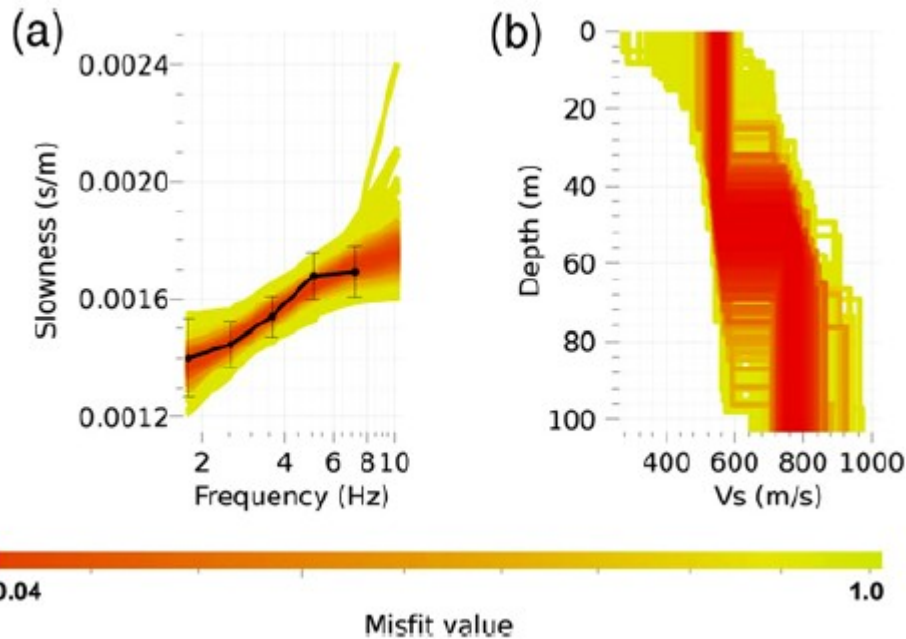
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- + amplitudes scaled by **two times the horizontal phase velocity.**

Phase velocity → using single measurement of 6C → **structure**
in phase → waveforms similar → can find source direction → **source**

Structure – determining it using 6C

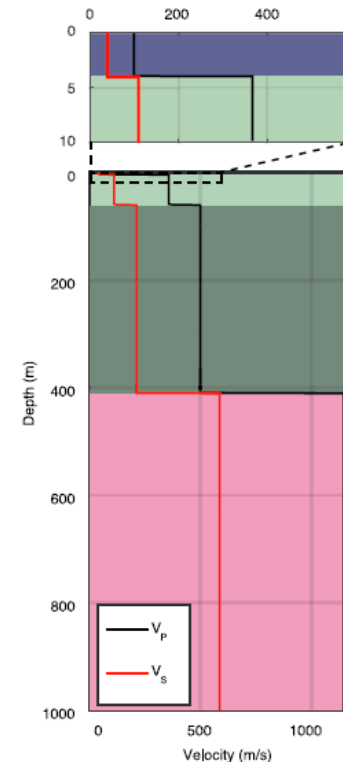
Single 6C-station dispersion curves:

$$c(f) = -\frac{1}{2} \ddot{u}_T(f) / \dot{\omega}_3(f),$$



Wassermann et al., BSSA 2016

Lunar Vp & Vs structure
"Point" 6C measurement



Sollberger et al.,
GRL 2016

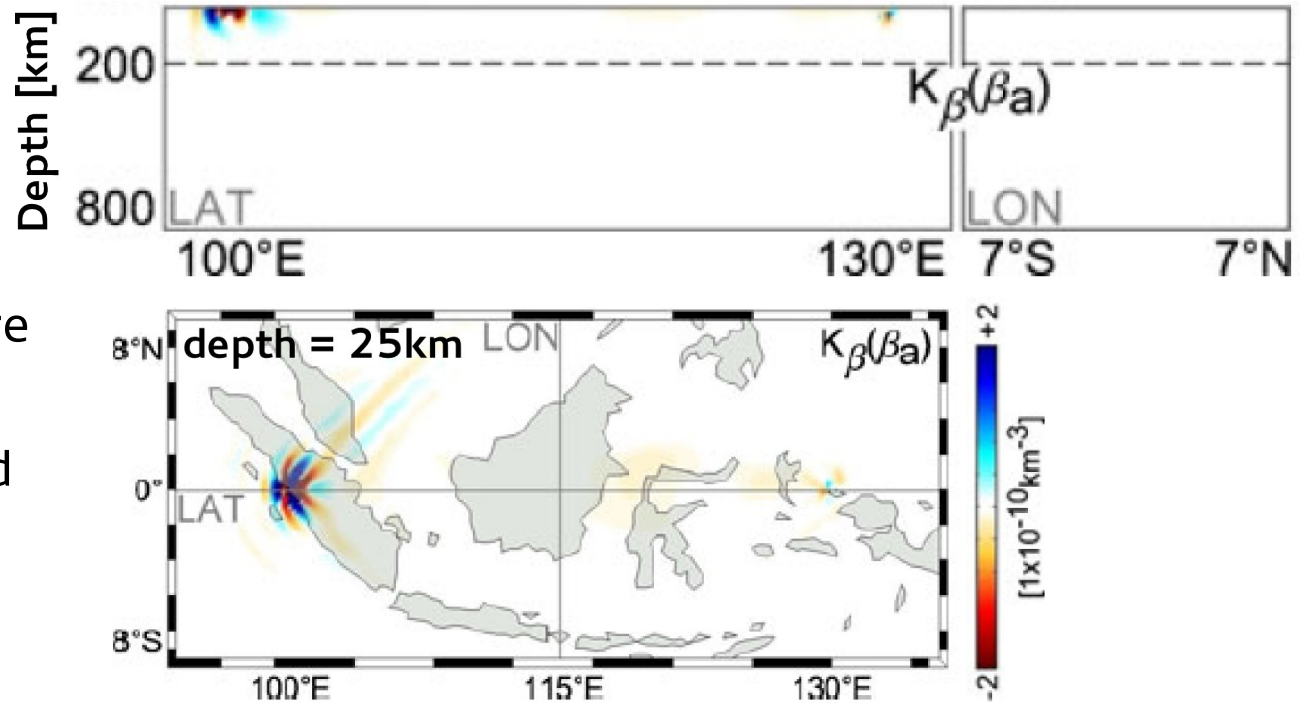
Structure – sensitivity kernels

Sensitivity kernels for:

$$\frac{\dot{v}_T(x, t)}{\omega(x, t)} = -2c(x)$$

- + Local near surface structure
- + Without source info
- accurate amplitudes needed

Love wave (50s)



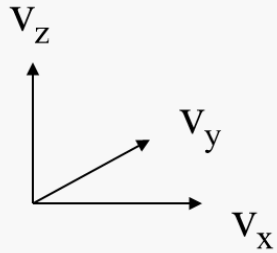
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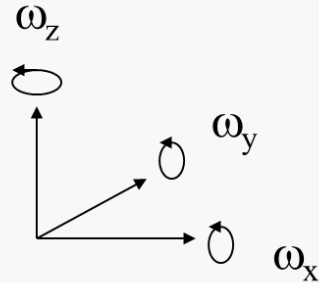
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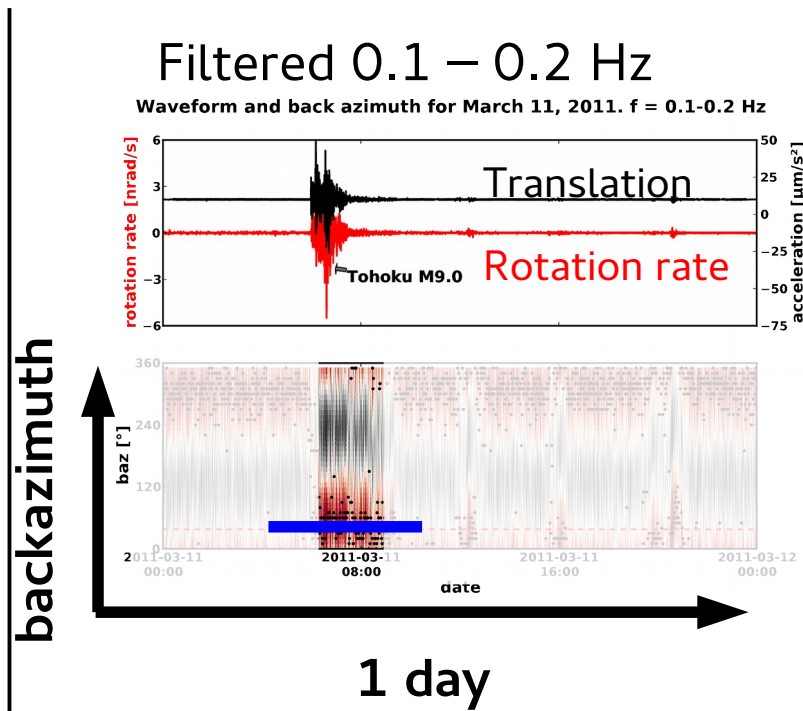
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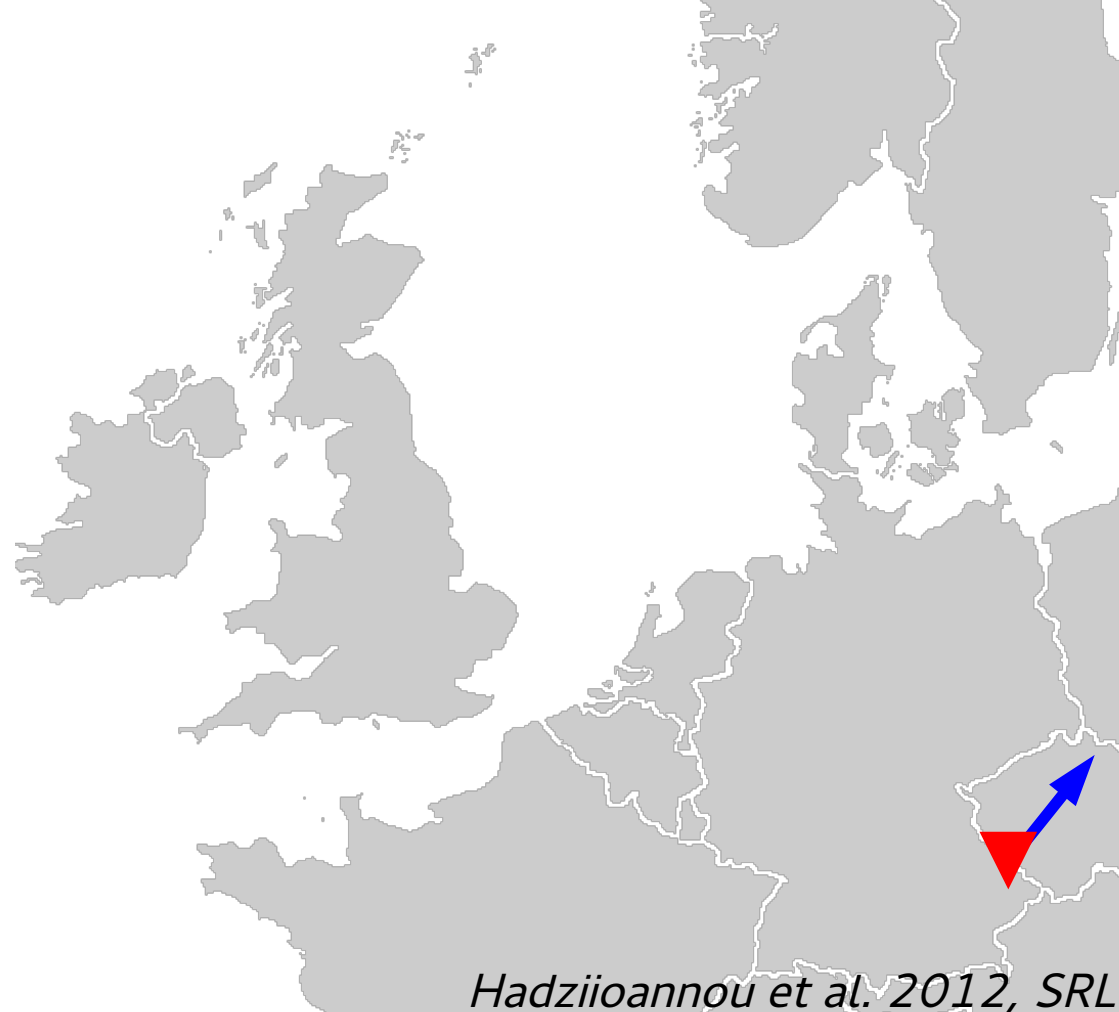
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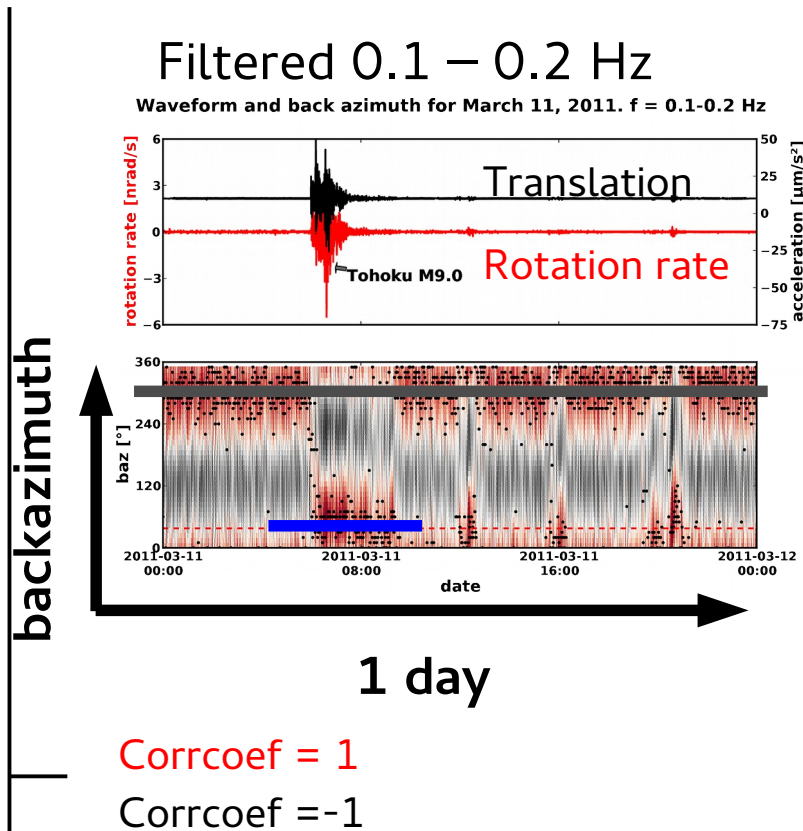


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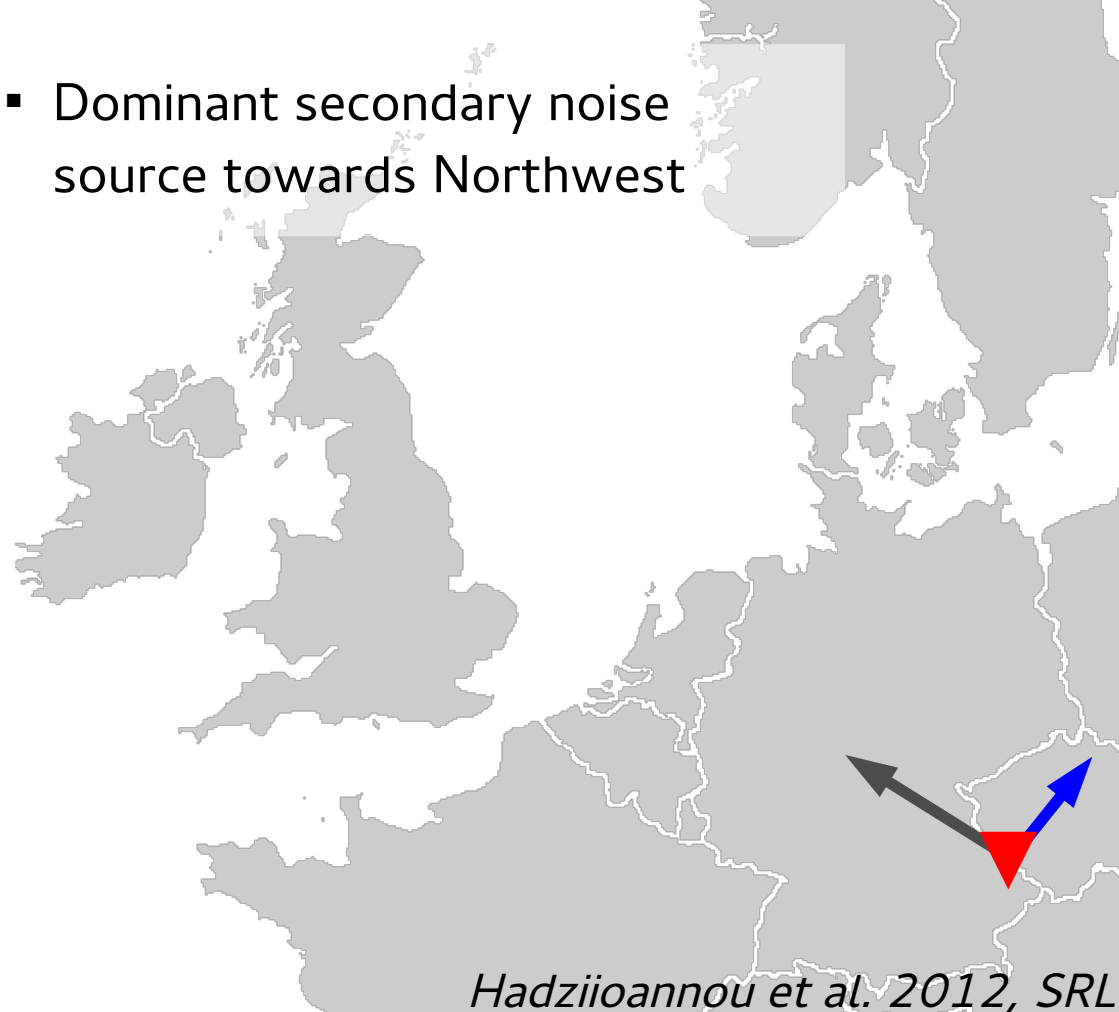
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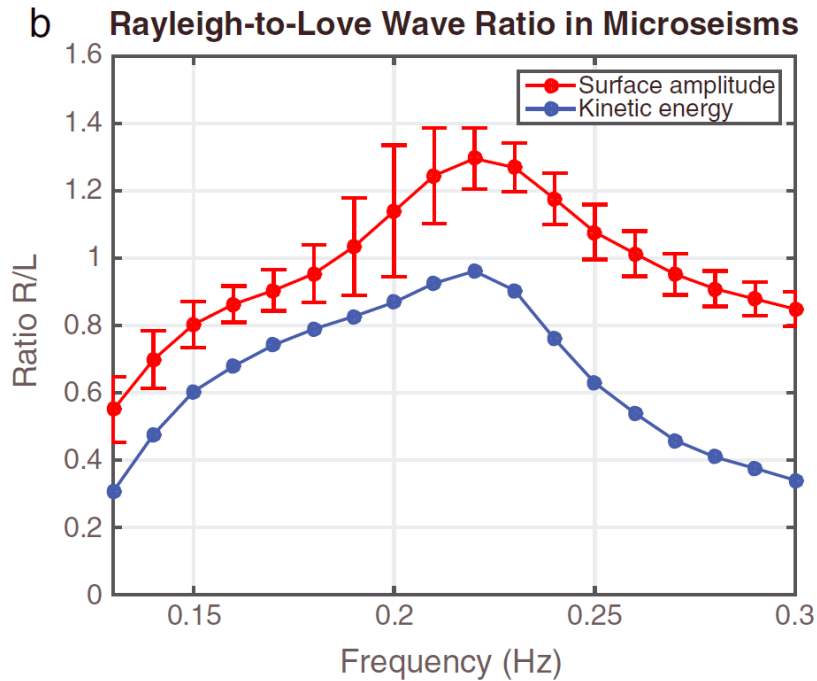
Source – source direction



- Dominant secondary noise source towards Northwest

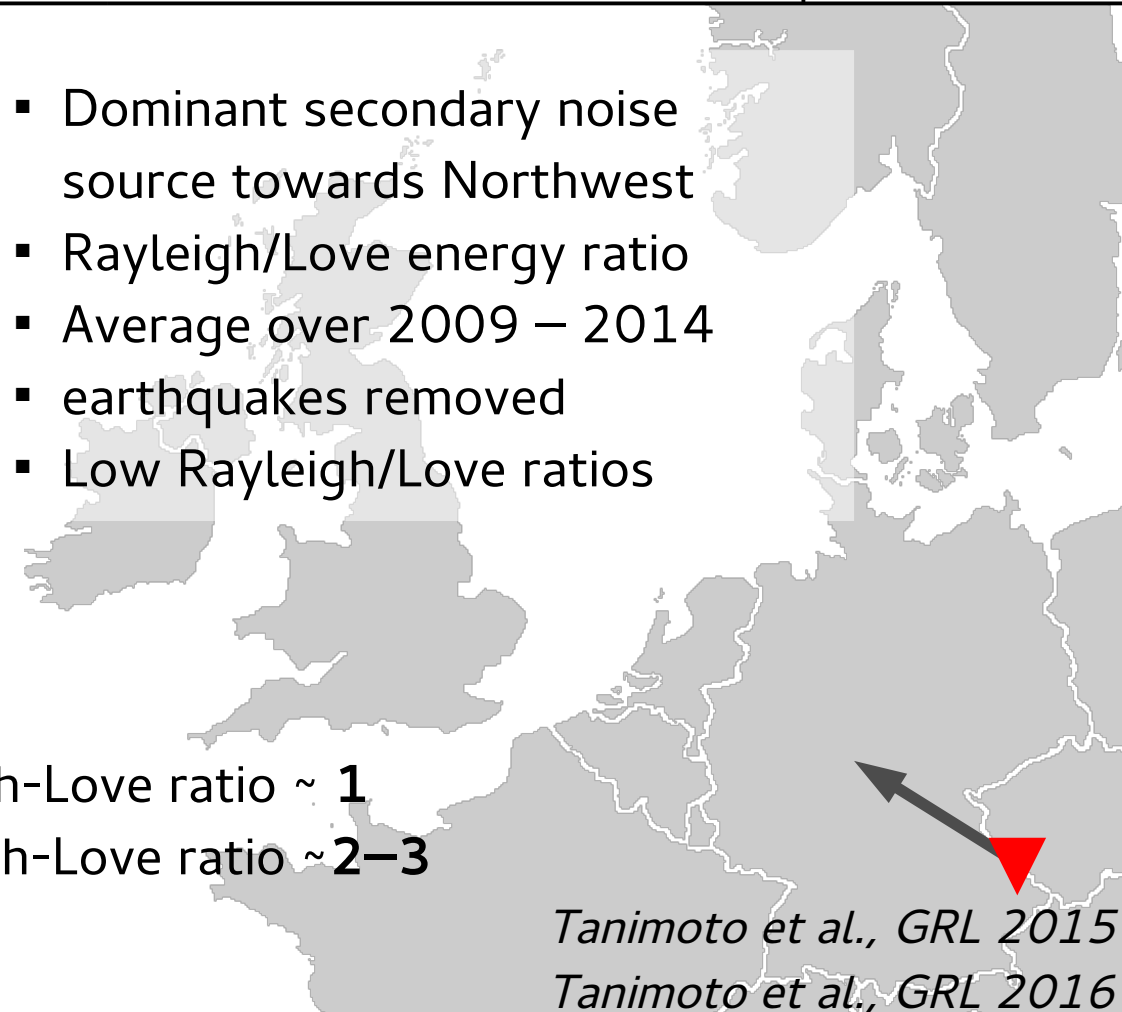


Source – Microseism Rayleigh/Love ratios



- Dominant secondary noise source towards Northwest
- Rayleigh/Love energy ratio
- Average over 2009 – 2014
- earthquakes removed
- Low Rayleigh/Love ratios

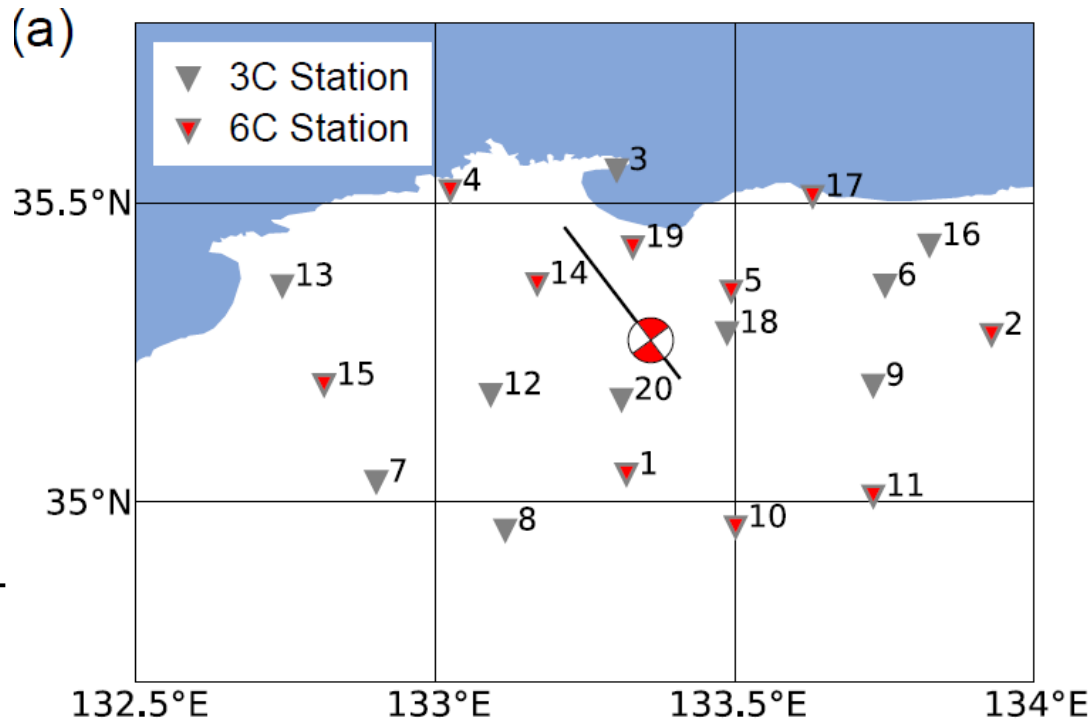
Wettzell, Germany: Rayleigh-Love ratio ~ **1**
Pinion Flat Observatory: Rayleigh-Love ratio ~ **2–3**



Tanimoto et al., GRL 2015
Tanimoto et al., GRL 2016

Earthquake Source – Moment tensor inversion

- + Scenario I: N receivers with 3C observations (translations)
- + Scenario II: N/2 receivers with 6C observations (translations and rotations)

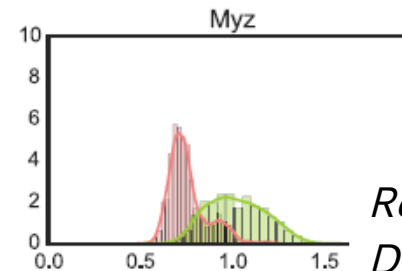
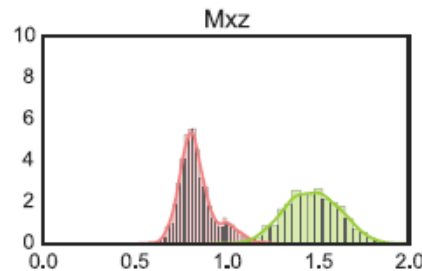
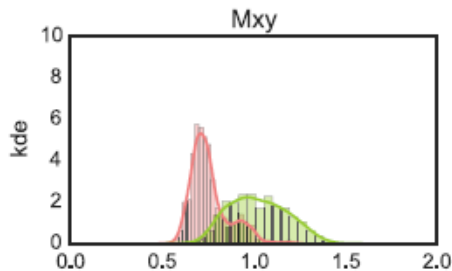
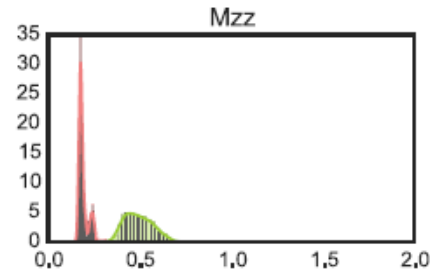
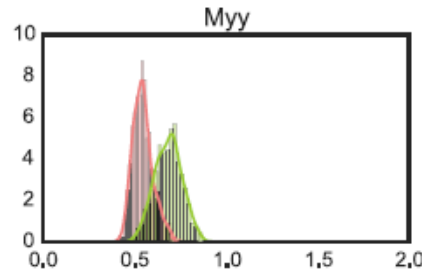
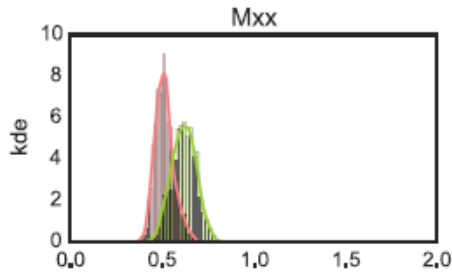
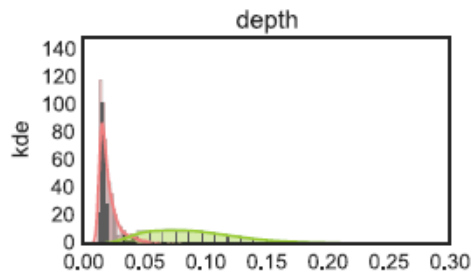


Reinwald et al., Solid Earth 2016
Donner et al., GJI 2016
Bernauer et al., JGR: SE 2014

Earthquake Source – Moment tensor inversion

Scenario I: N/2 6C stations
Scenario II: N 3C stations

Counts



Information gain

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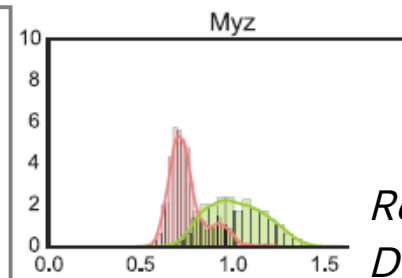
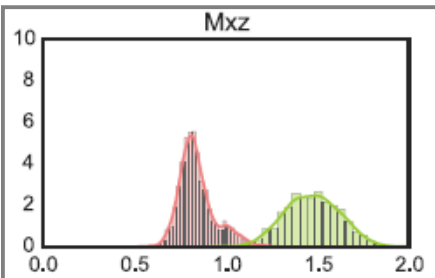
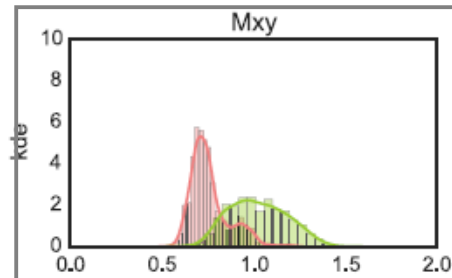
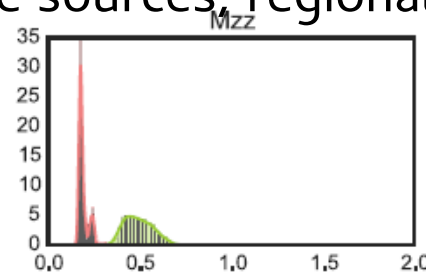
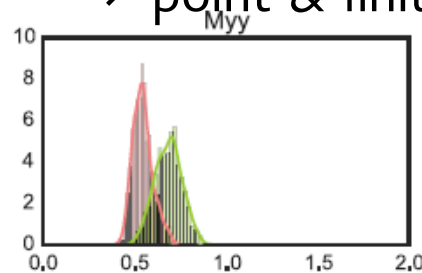
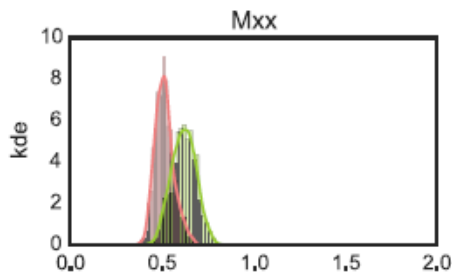
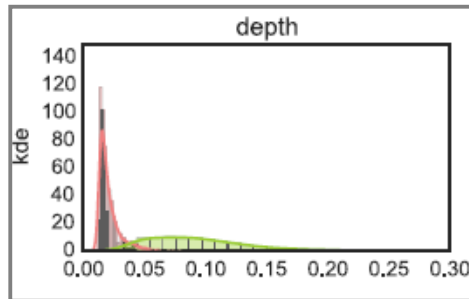
Earthquake Source – Moment tensor inversion

Scenario I: N/2 6C stations

Scenario II: N 3C stations

- ½ number of station: MT equal or better retrieved
- Depth, Mxy, Mxz improved
- point & finite sources, regional/local

Counts



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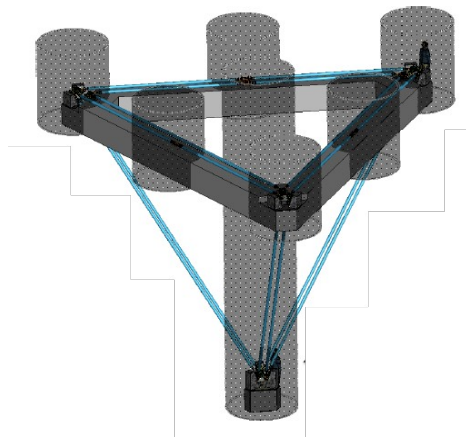
- Phase velocity
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Structural engineering

Instrumentation – How to observe rotations?

Observatory instruments

Ring lasers



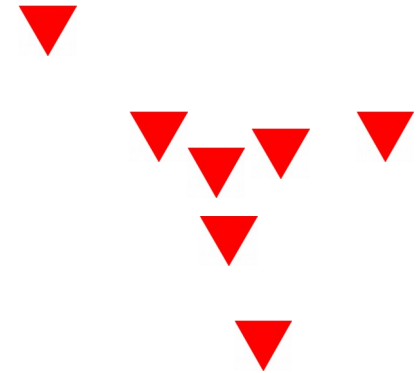
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Seismometers



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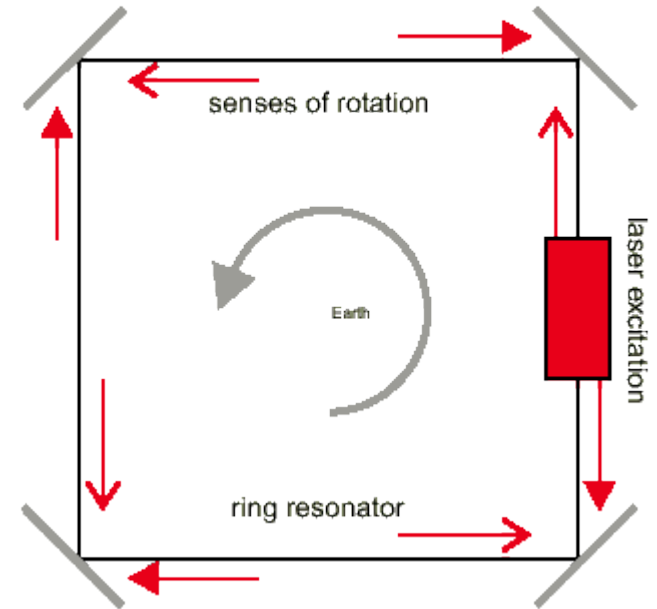
Sagnac interferometry

+ counterpropagating laser beams

→ beat frequency

+ system moved transversally: no effect

+ system rotated: beat frequency changes



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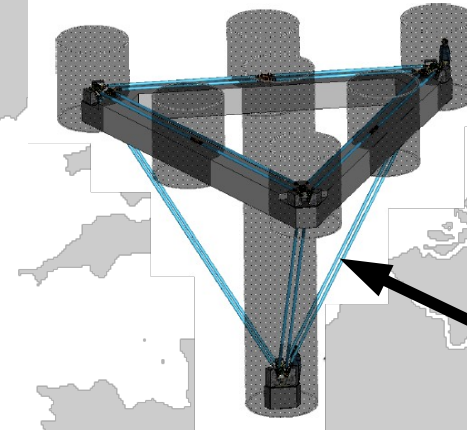
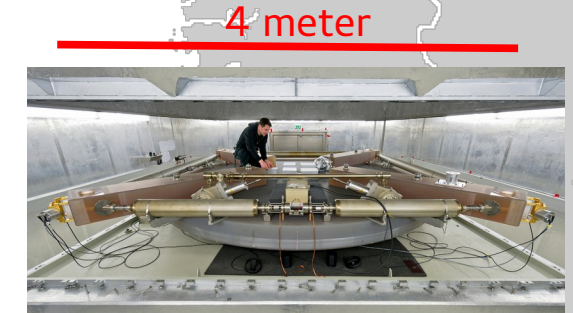
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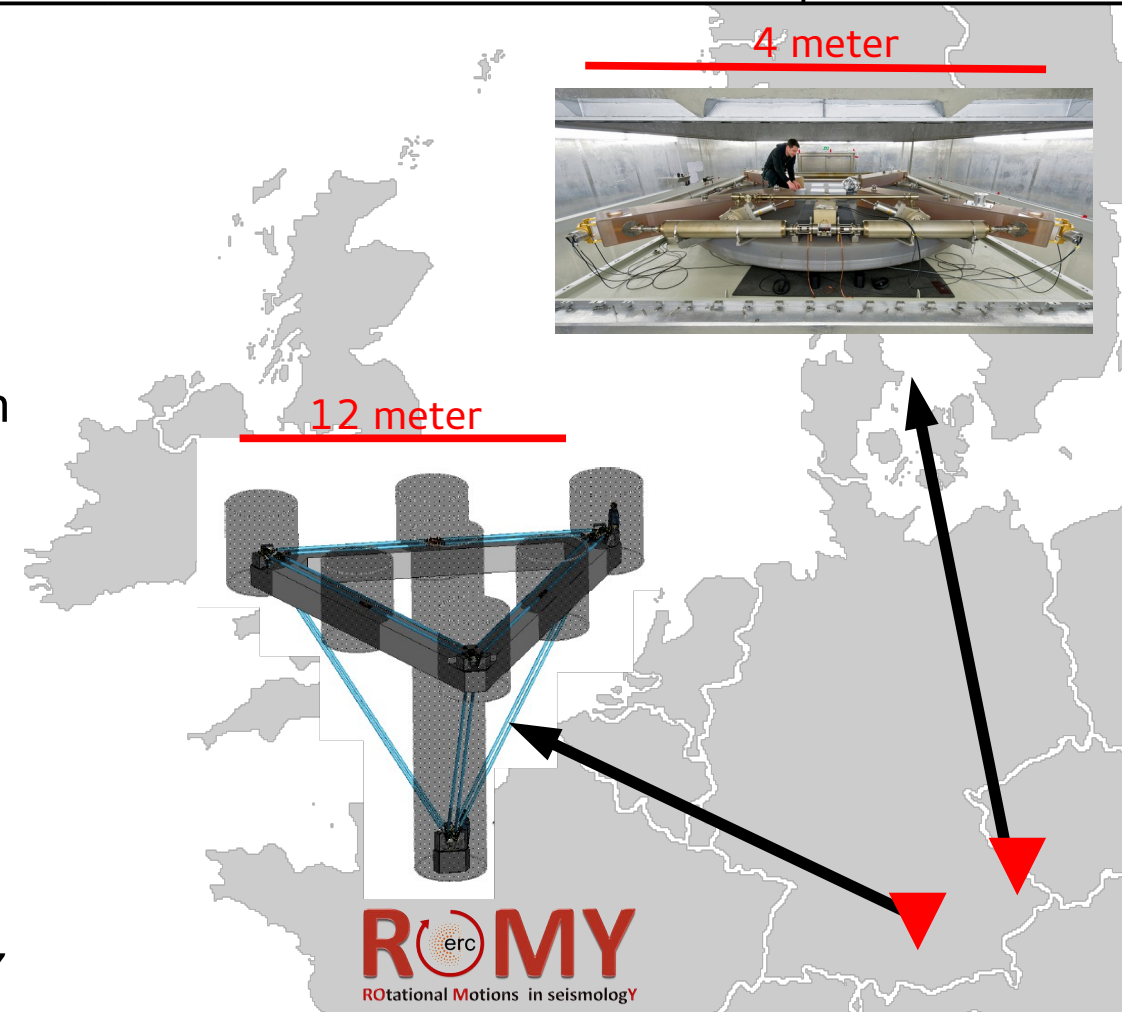
+ 5 worldwide

+ Wettzell, Germany most sensitive

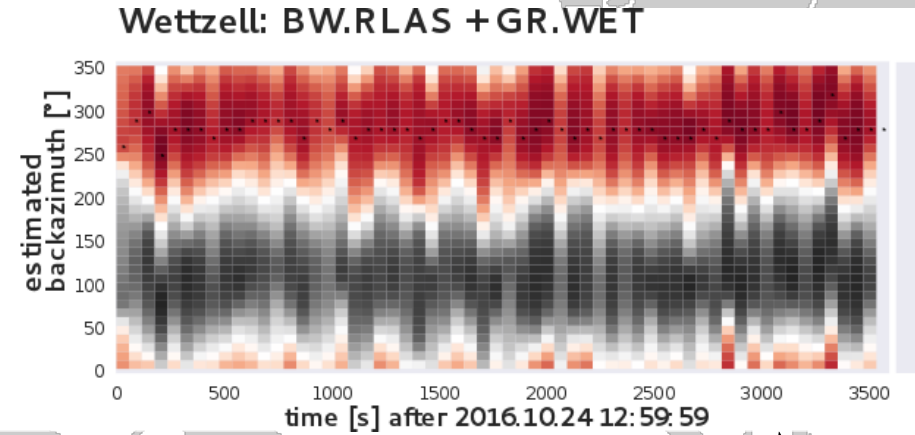
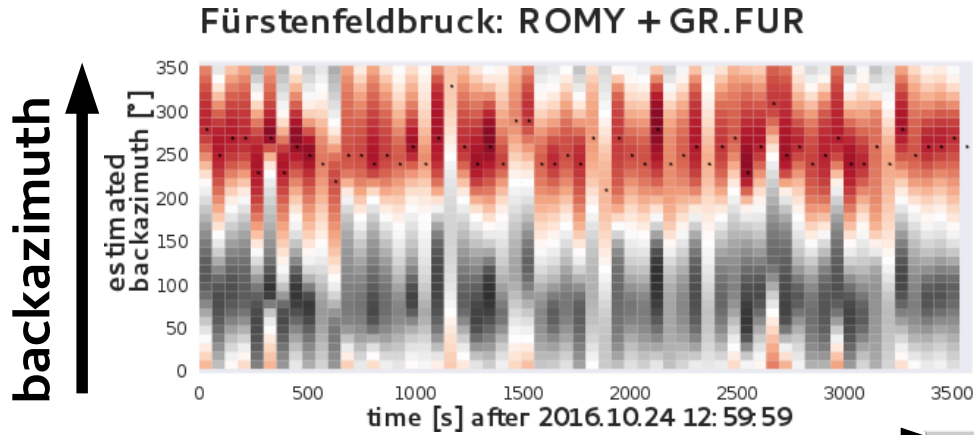
+ ROMY: first 3-component rotation



"Lord of the Rings", Science, 2017

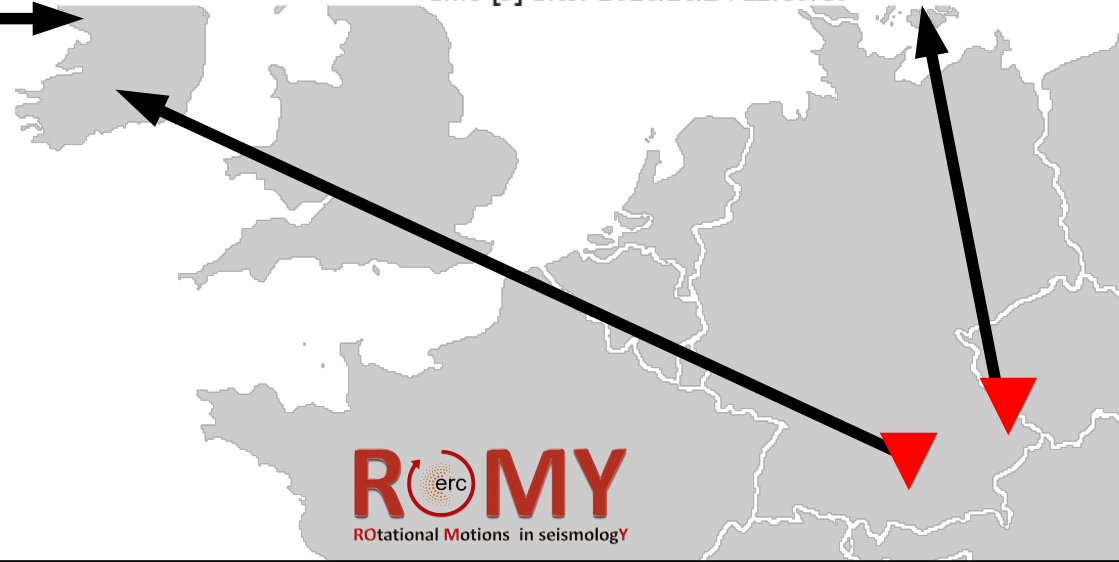


Instrumentation – How to observe rotations?



1 hour

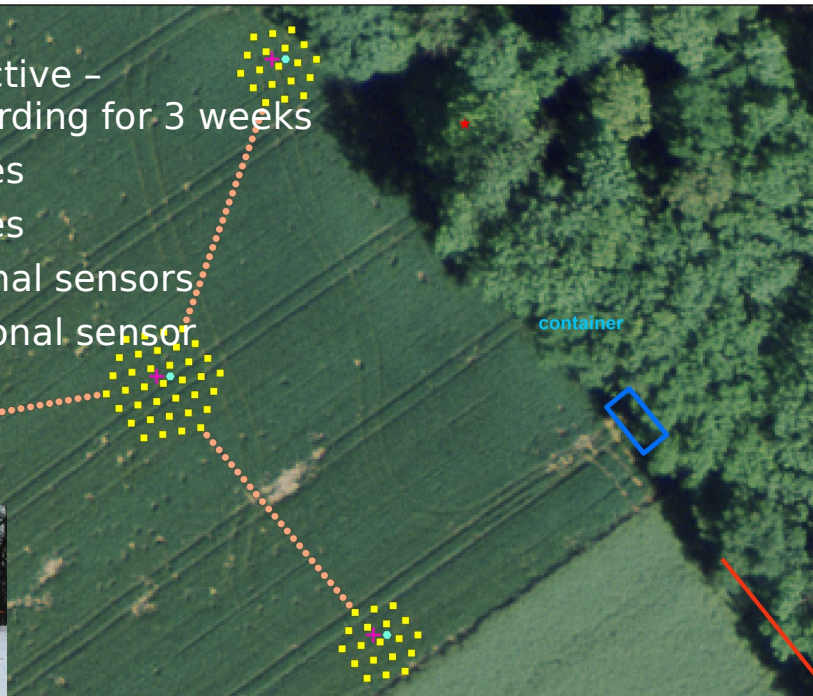
Secondary microseism!



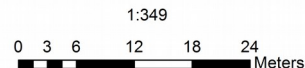
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rot3D - setup

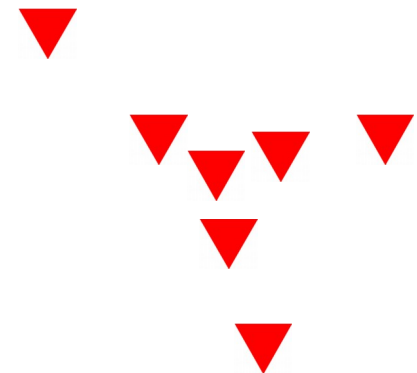
- 360 channels active – continuous recording for 3 weeks
- 86 3C geophones
- 72 1C geophones
- 4 iXBlue rotational sensors
- 1 METR-3 rotational sensor
- 2 DMT Unites



● 1C
● 3C
— power



Dense arrays
Seismometers

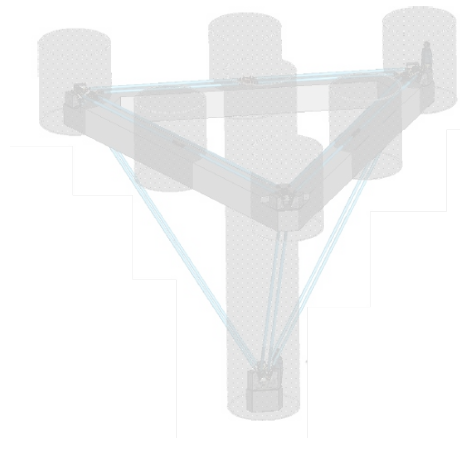
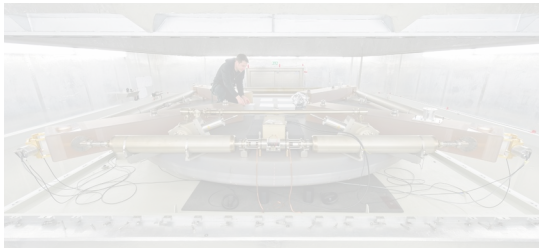


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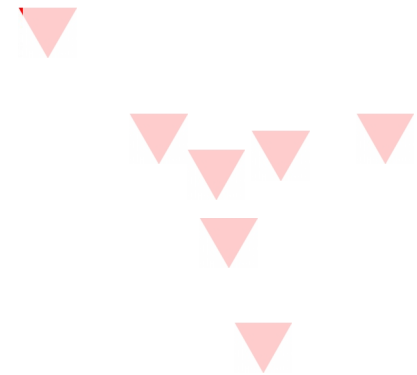
blueSeis

an IXblue product line

- 30-50 $\text{nrads}^{-1} \text{Hz}^{-1/2}$ PSD
- flat PSD over a wide frequency range (0.01 - 10 Hz)

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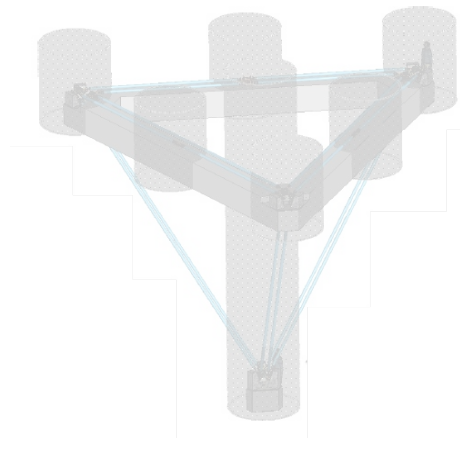
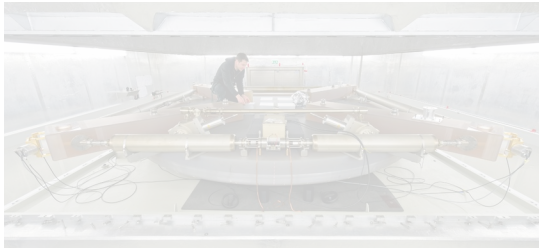


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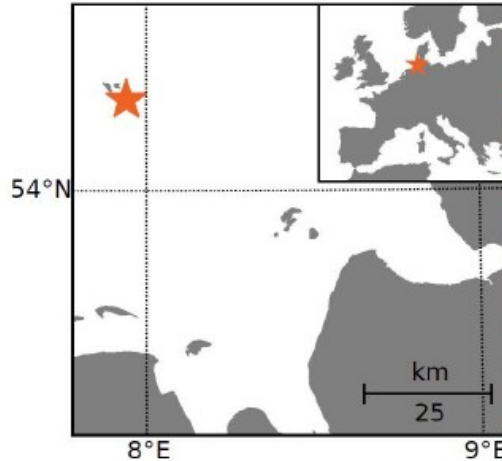
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Instrumentation – What about tilt?

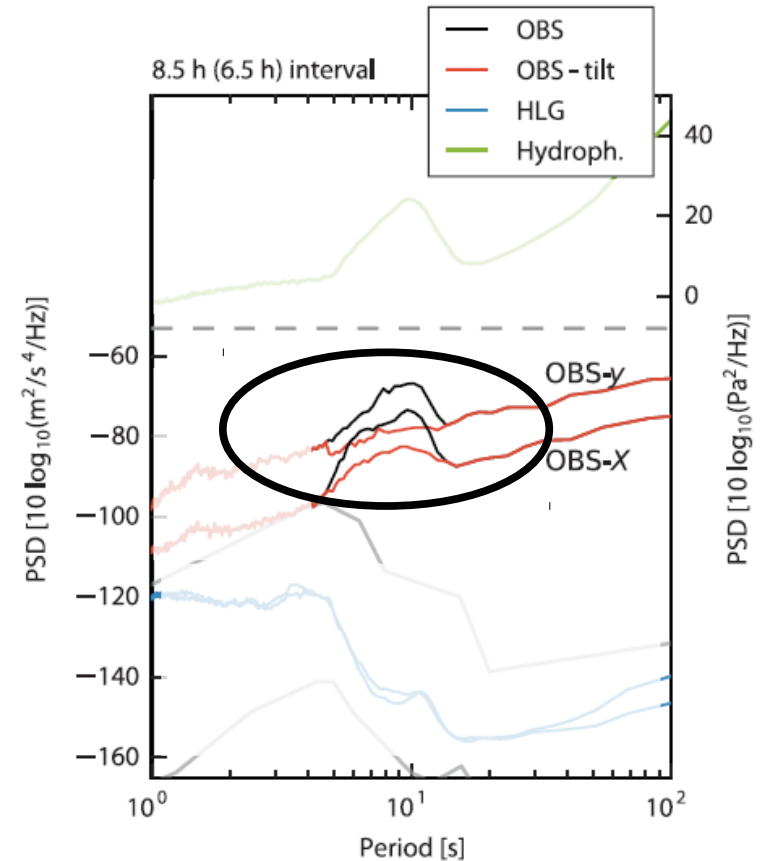
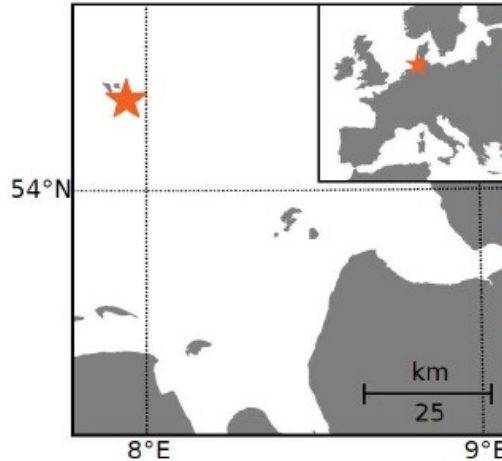


Seismometer (sensitive to tilt)

Fiber optic gyro (only tilt)

Ocean bottom seismometer

Instrumentation – What about tilt?



Ocean bottom seismometer

Tilt correction → improved SNR

Independent Tilt measurement: applications on volcanoes?

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Rotational seismology database

Rotational Seismology Event Database

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Note:

- Database support starts at: **2007-07-18** [more](#)
- The map can show a maximum of 2500 events at once.
- The success of evaluation depends on **magnitude, epicentral distance and source depth**
- Click the event markers on the map for **popup content** (plots)
- Information on the popup content: [processing guide](#)
- Event information was fetched from the [GCMT catalog](#)
- Simple data fetching example using `ObsPy`: [source code](#)
- `Obspy` based [jupyter notebooks](#) on [seismo-live](#)
- To cite this database: refer to the recent publication [Salvermoser et al. \(2017\)](#)

powered by:



Station:

Start time:

End time:

YYYY-mm-ddTHH:MM

Min. magnitude:

Max. magnitude:

Min. depth: km

Max. depth: km

Latitude/Longitude:

West: North: East:

South:

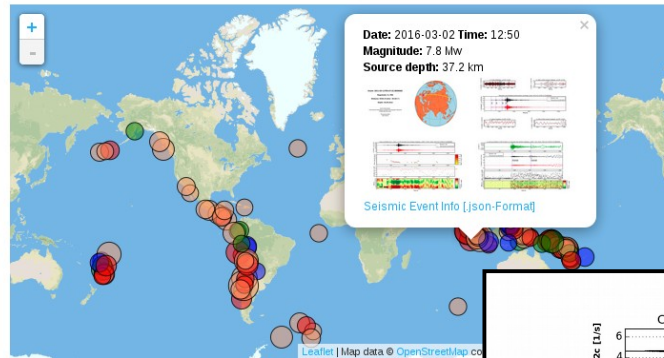
Circular Search:

Lat: Lon: Radius: °

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Peak rotation rate \approx nrad/s

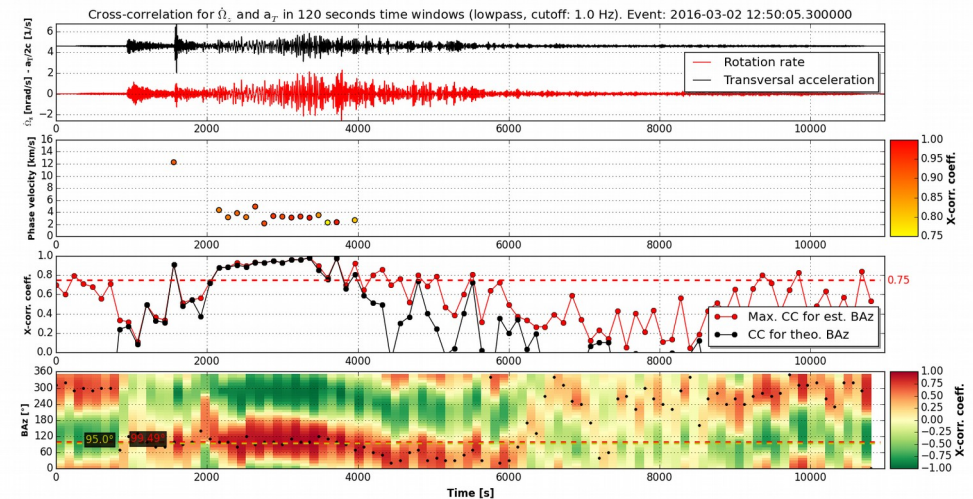
Rotation Rate SNR \approx



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- Waveform download
- Example analysis
- Python code to start
- Salvermoser et al., SRL 2017*



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6C:

- New observables
- do more with less stations
- Or with **single station**

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