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# Secondary microseism noise sources



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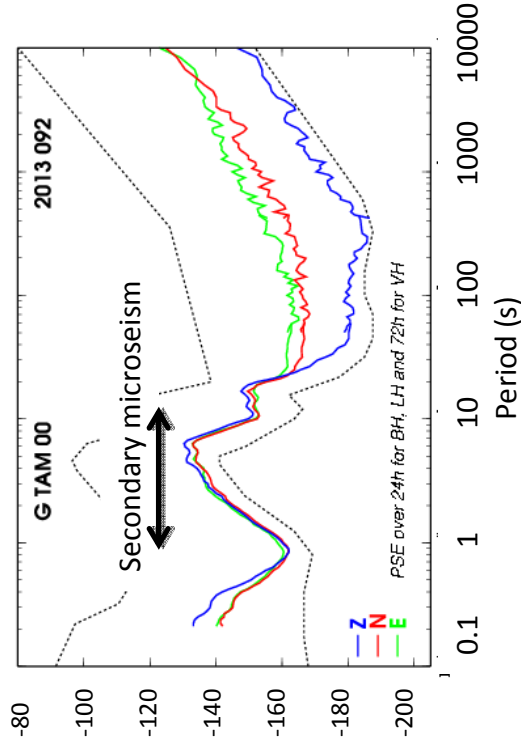
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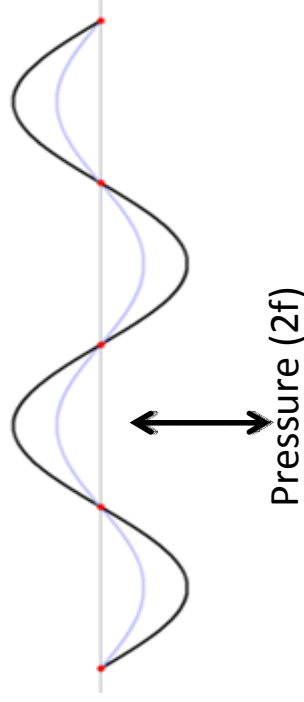
# Secondary microseism sources

Seismic noise spectrum over one day



Source of secondary microseism:

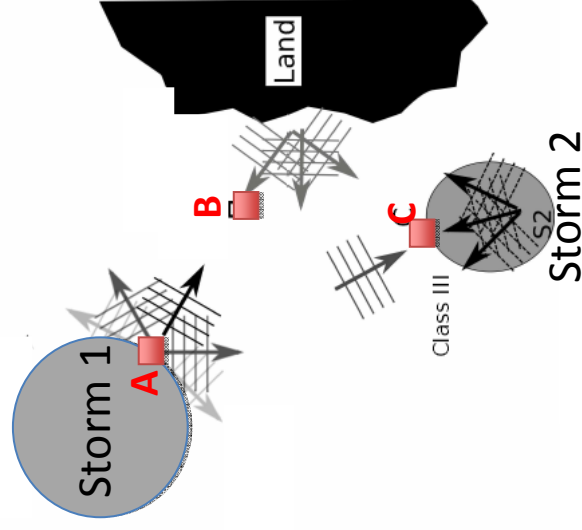
The interaction of ocean waves of similar frequency and opposite directions generate pressure fluctuations that is not attenuated with depth and vary with twice the frequency of the ocean waves



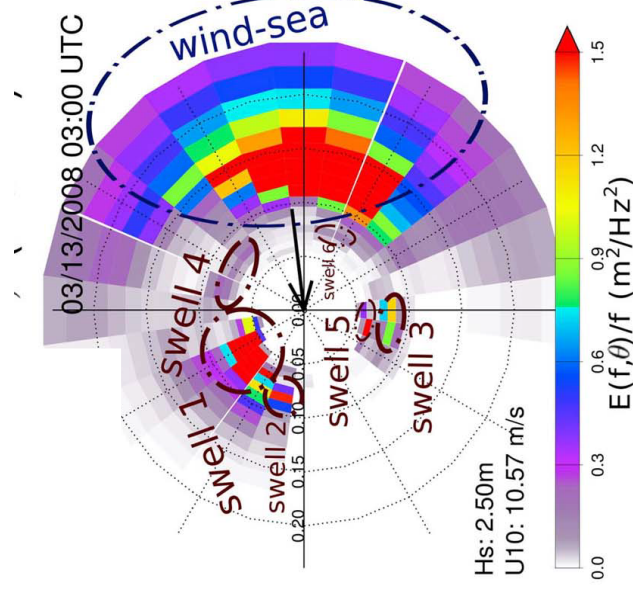
# Ocean wave model

Noise sources are generated when there is interaction of ocean waves:

- A. within a storm
- B. by reflection at the coast
- C. between storms

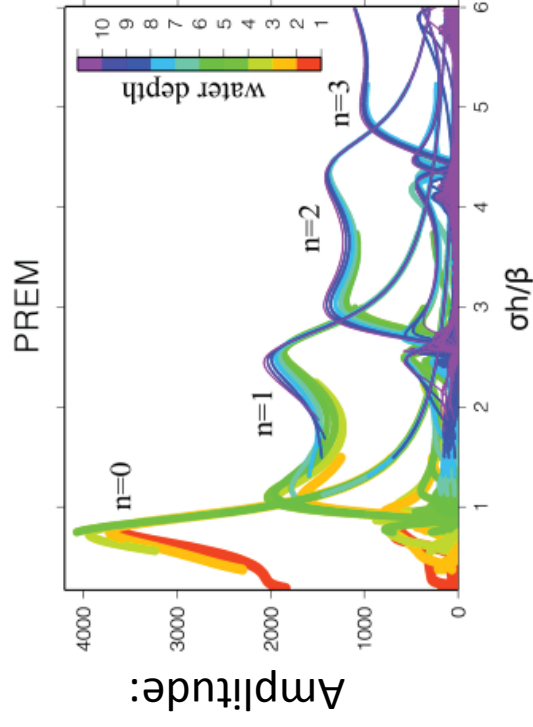


Ocean wave interactions are modelled every 6 hours (code WAVEWATCH III, version 3.14, 6-hourly wind analysis from ECMWF). (Ardhuin et al. 2011)

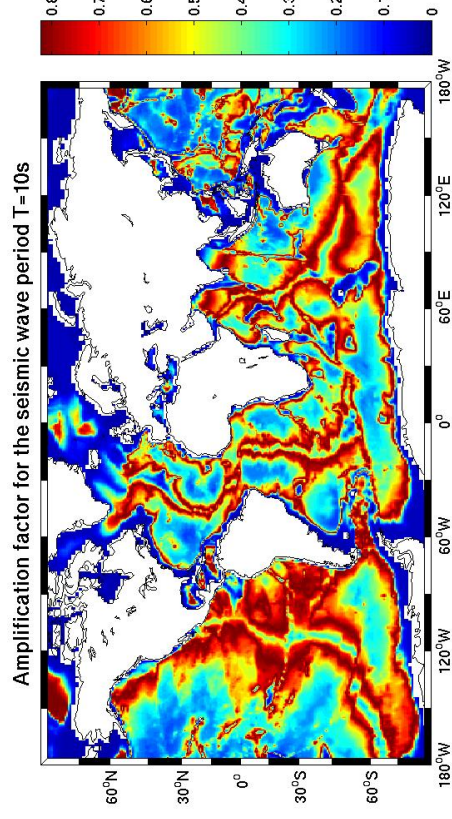
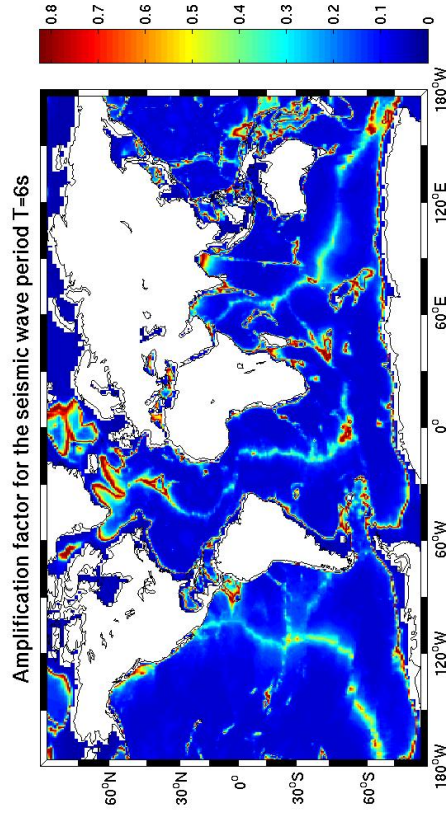


# Rayleigh wave noise source

Rayleigh waves amplification:

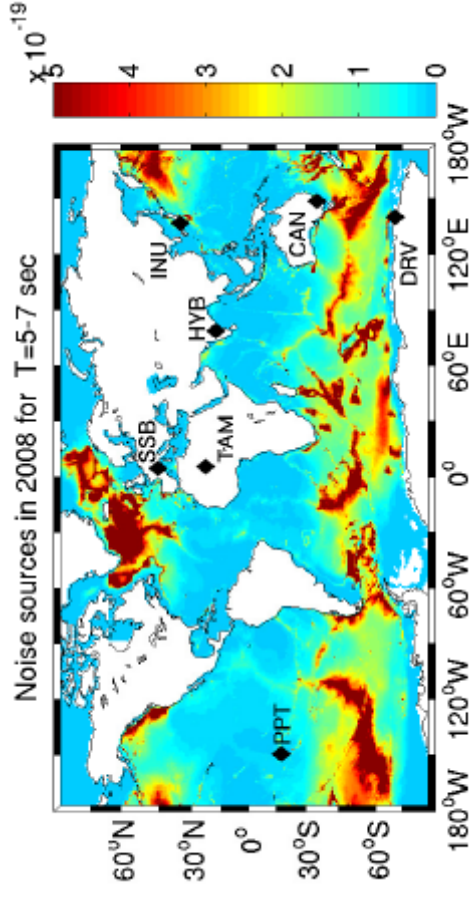


**Frequency dependent modulation of the source**  
 that depends on the local structure  
 (bathymetry and crust)

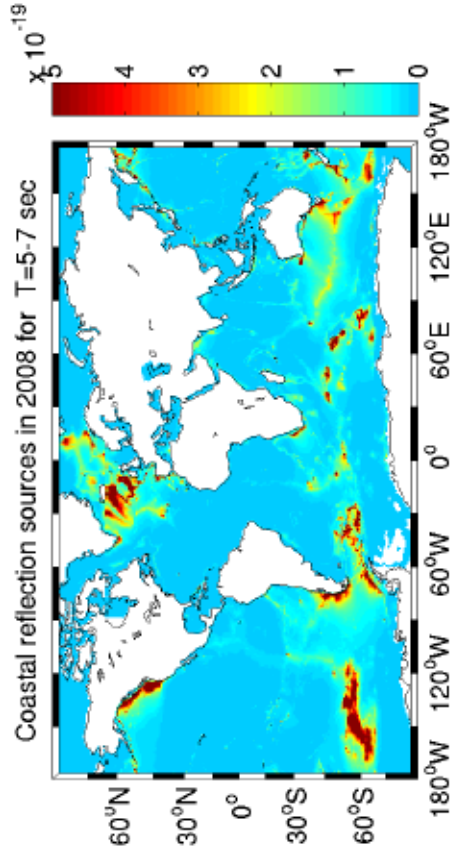


# Rayleigh wave noise source

Rayleigh wave sources  
averaged over 2008

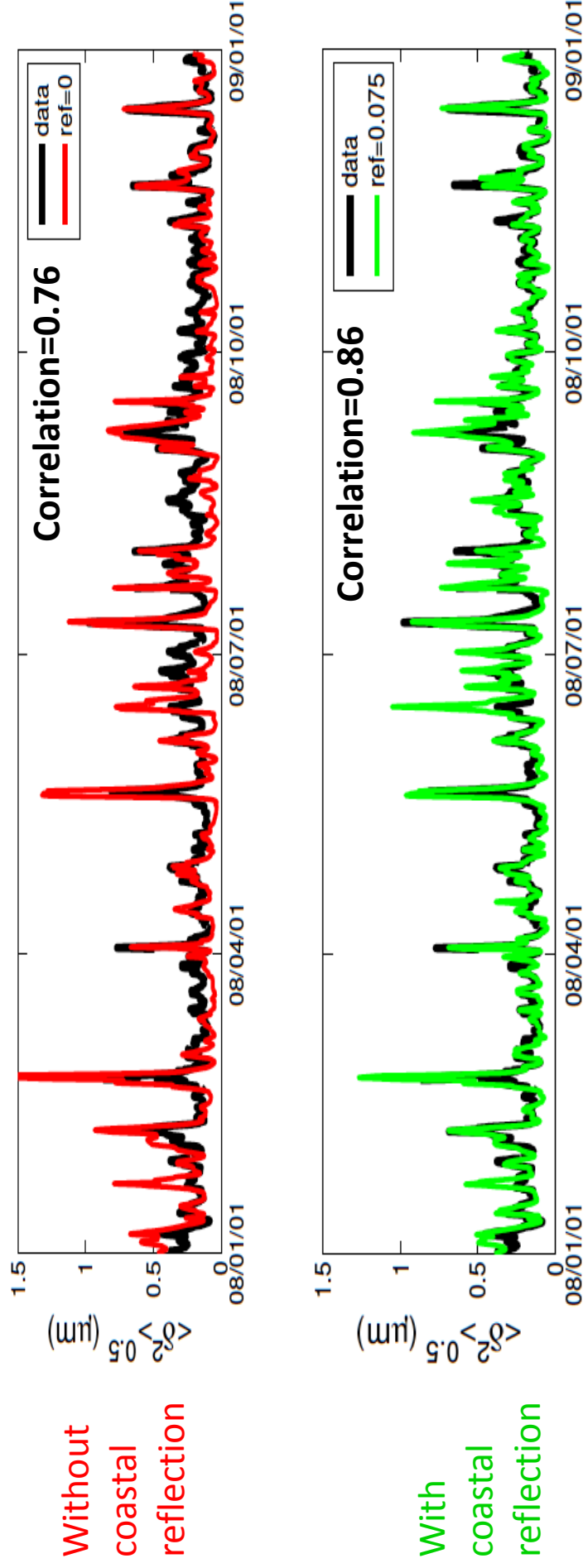


Coastal reflection  
Coefficient (R=5%)  
**to be adjusted!**

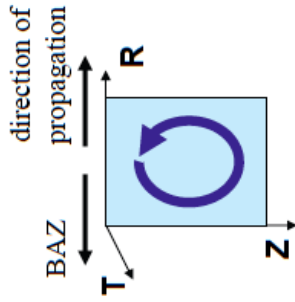


# Modelling seismic spectra

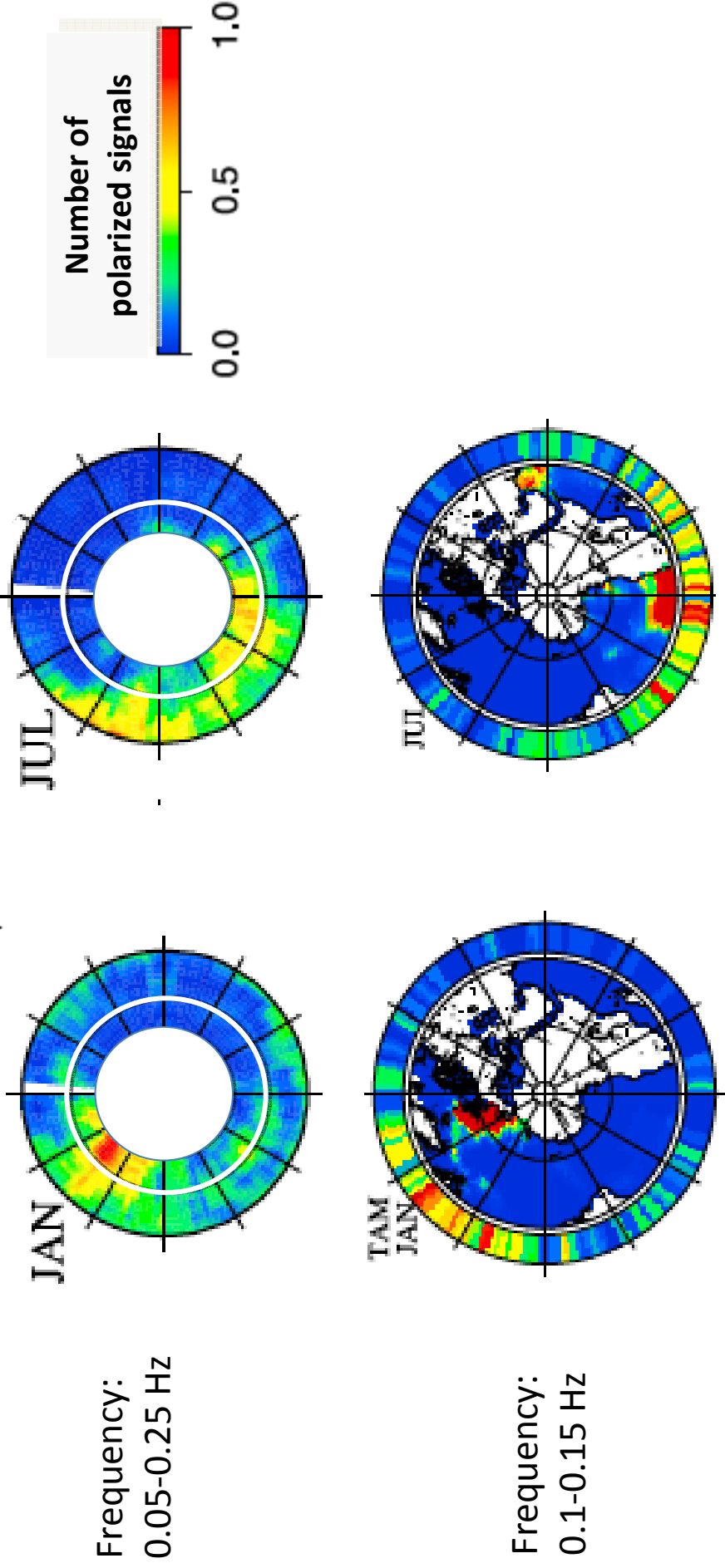
Real and synthetic seismic spectra – Periods: 5-7sec



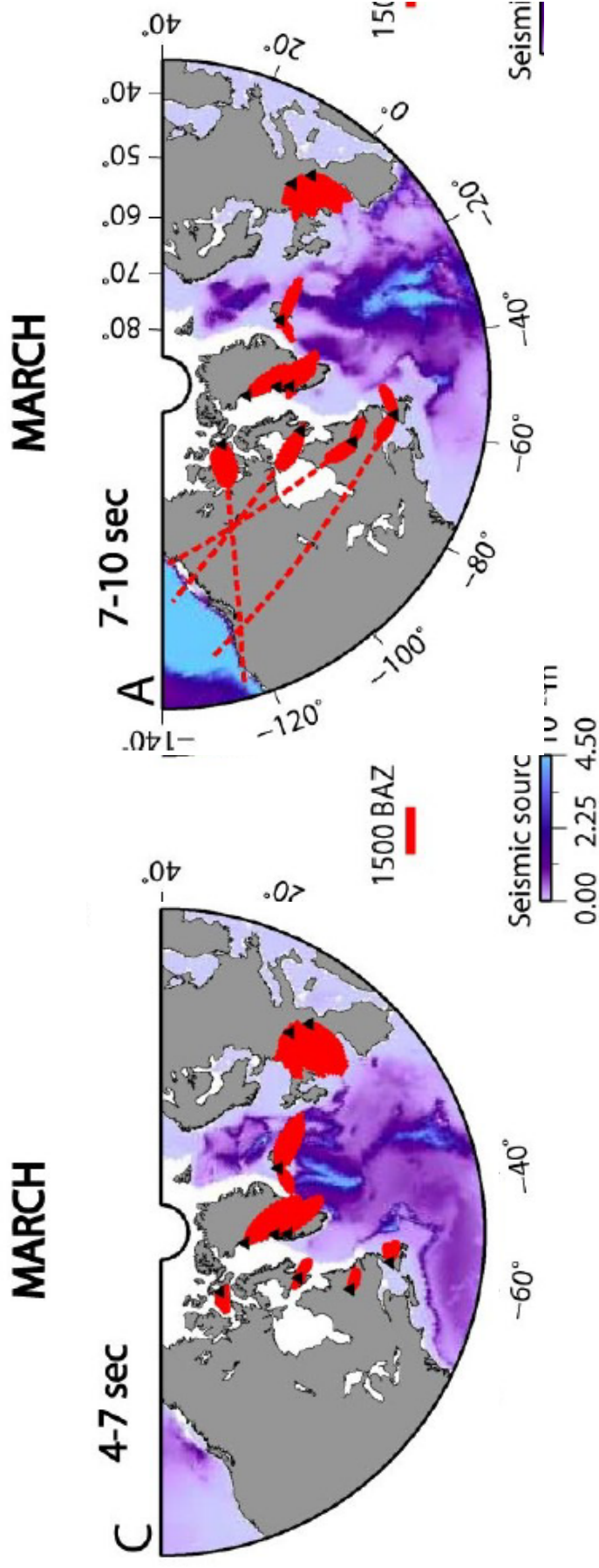
**Strongest sources are related to the cyclonic activity**  
**Smaller sources are generated by coastal reflection**



Statistical analysis of the polarization:  
Schimmel et al., 2004



# Rayleigh wave polarization



Frequency dependent noise polarization is well correlated with the corresponding sources

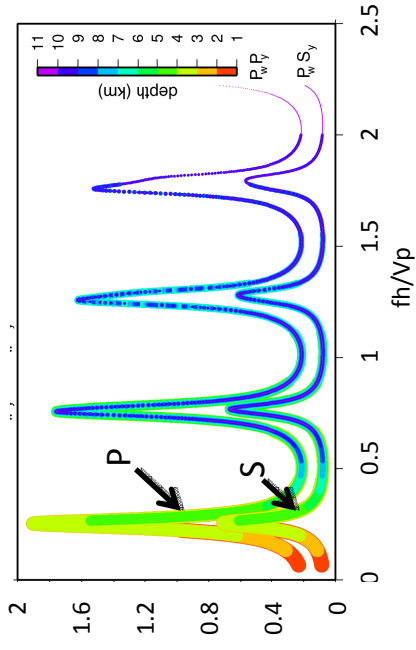


# Body wave noise source

Source= ocean wave interactions

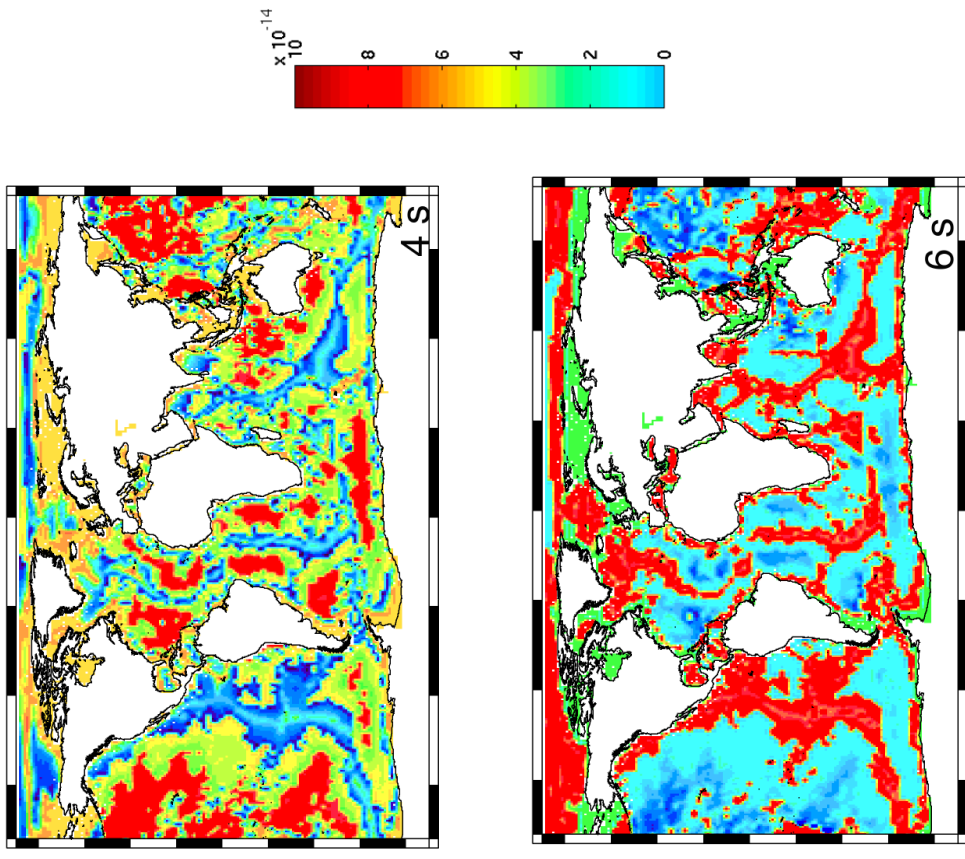
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Body wave amplification due to bathymetry



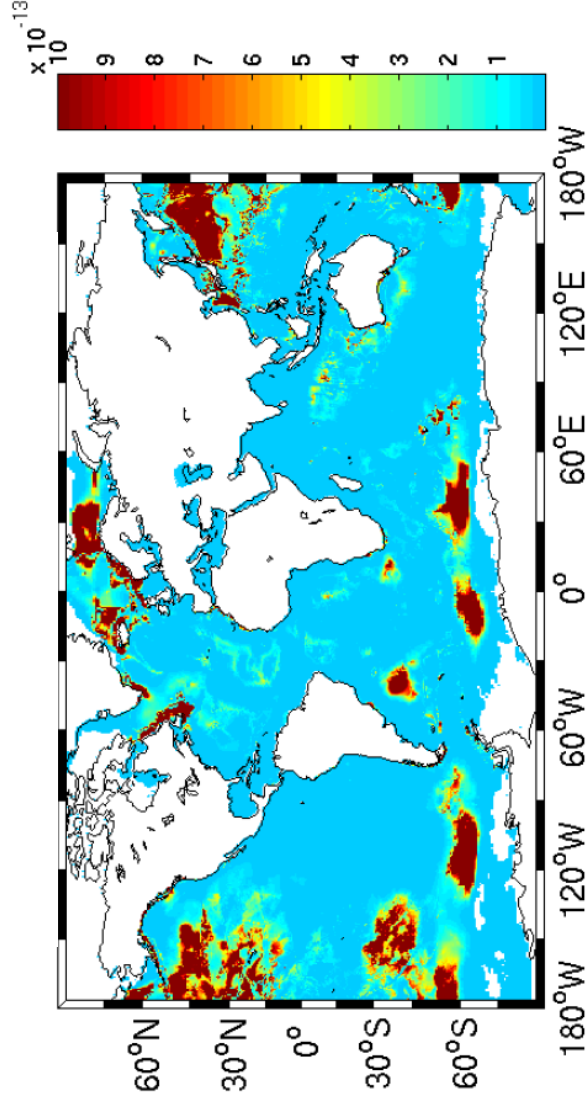
- Stronger variability with frequency than for Rayleigh waves

- Same source location for P and S waves

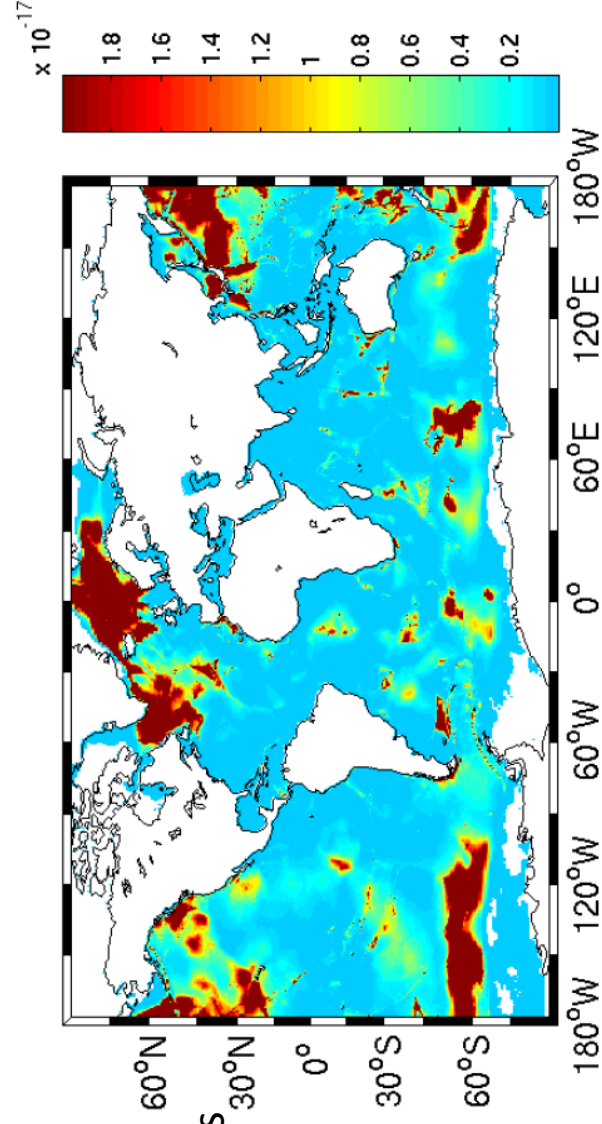


# Body wave noise source

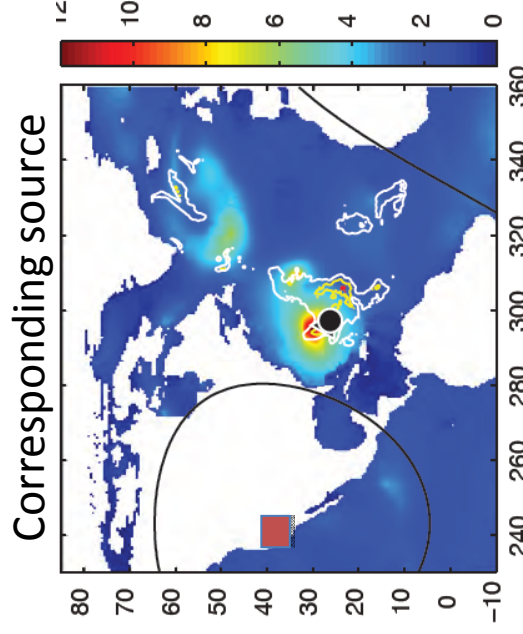
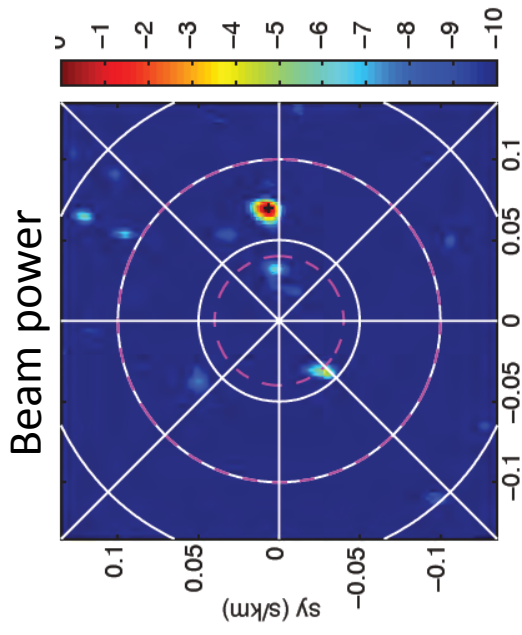
Period : 5sec  
 Body wave sources  
 averaged over 2010



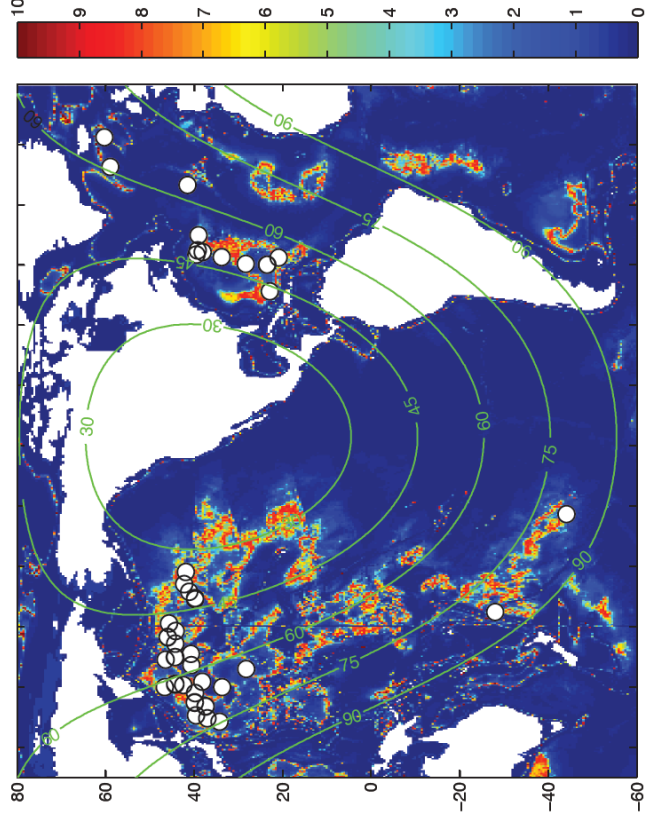
Rayleigh wave sources  
 averaged over 2010



# Body wave noise source

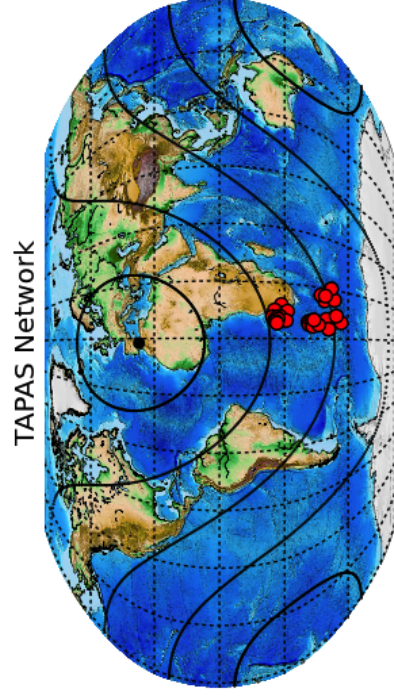
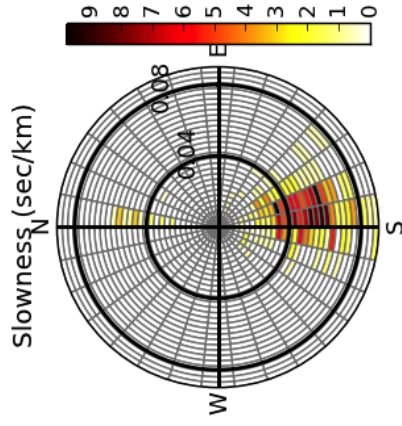


- 1) Extraction of the strongest source from the wave model (time & location)
- 2) Beamforming of seismic data

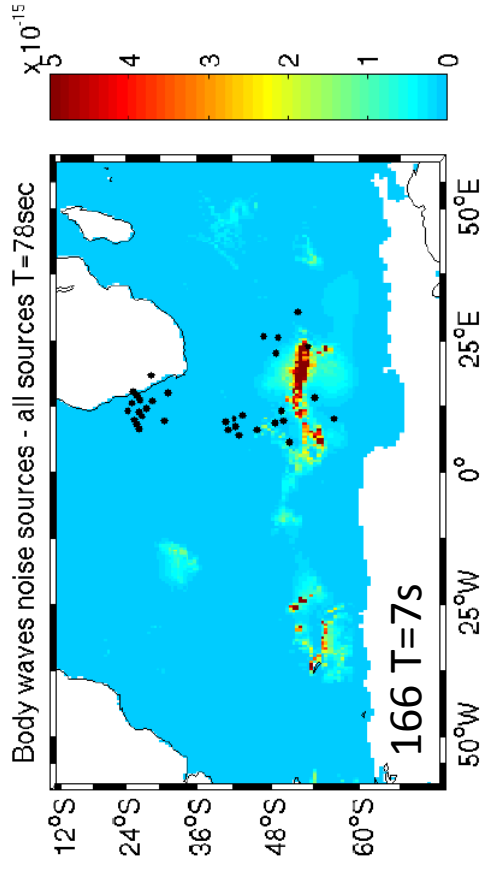


**Most of the strongest sources recorded are in deep ocean and related to cyclonic activity**

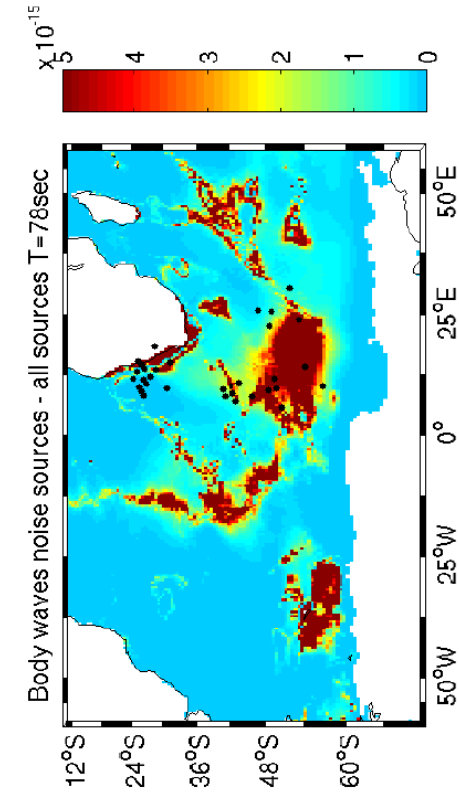
# P wave noise source



No coastal reflection

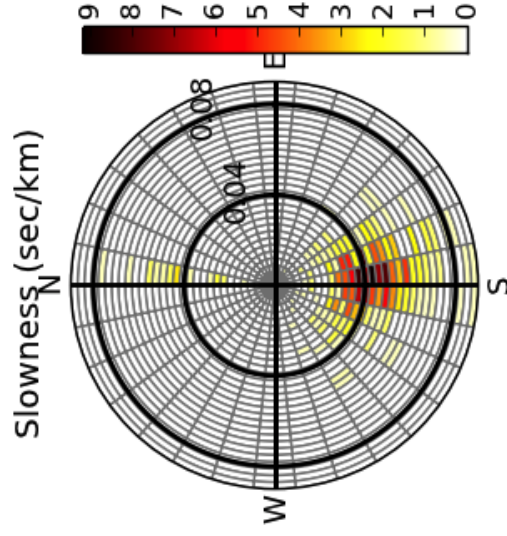


5% coastal reflection

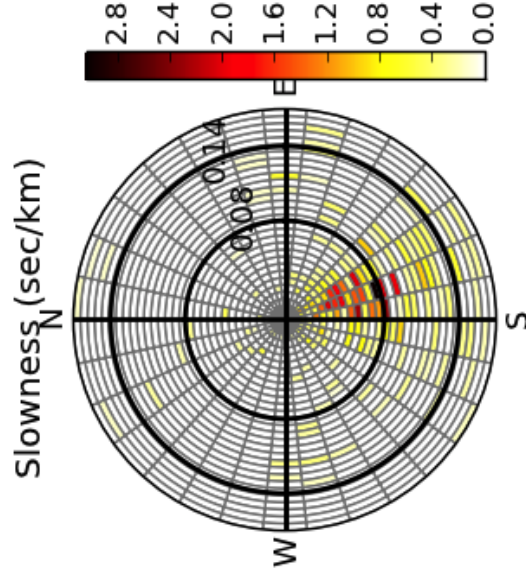


# P and S wave noise source

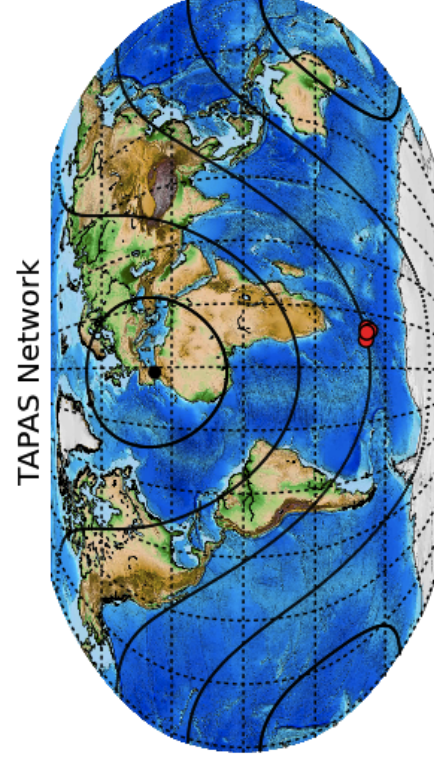
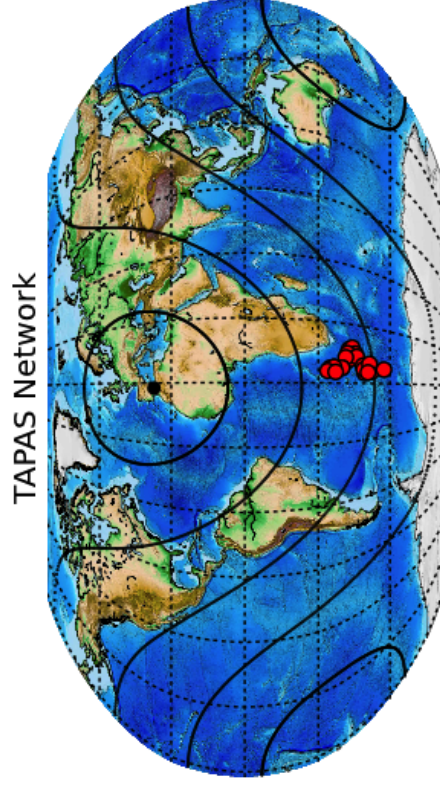
Z component: P wave detected



N-S component: S-wave detected

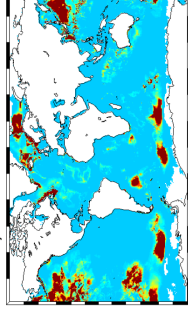


Day 177 - period 6sec



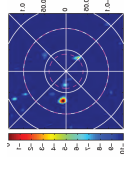
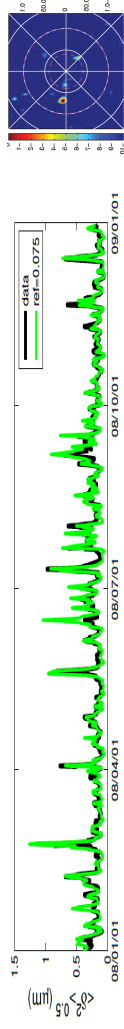
# Conclusions

- Seismic noise sources are frequency dependent due to :
  - the ocean wave interaction location and frequencies
  - the modulation due to local bathymetry and structure

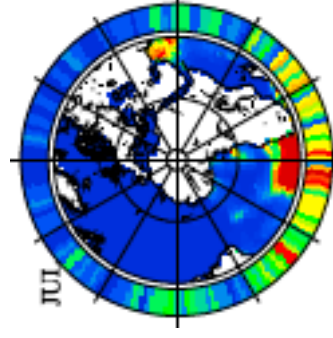


- Coastal and pelagic sources are needed to explain seismic noise recordings for both Rayleigh waves and body waves

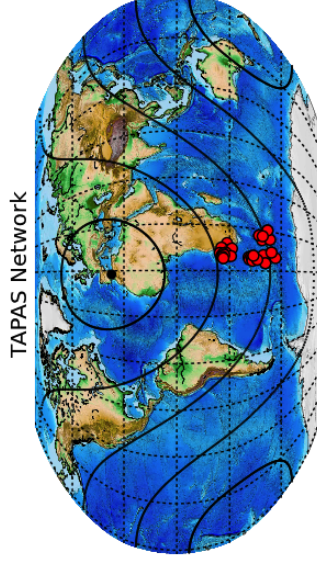
- The strongest sources of both Rayleigh waves and body waves are related to the cyclonic activity



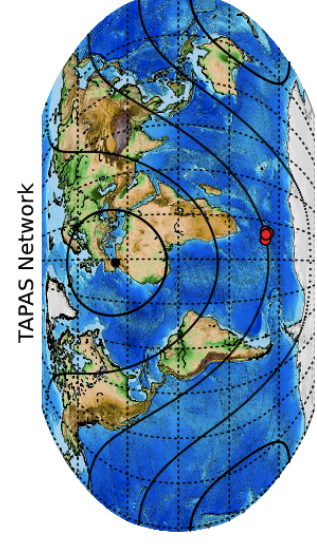
- P and S waves are generated in the same areas



Rayleigh waves



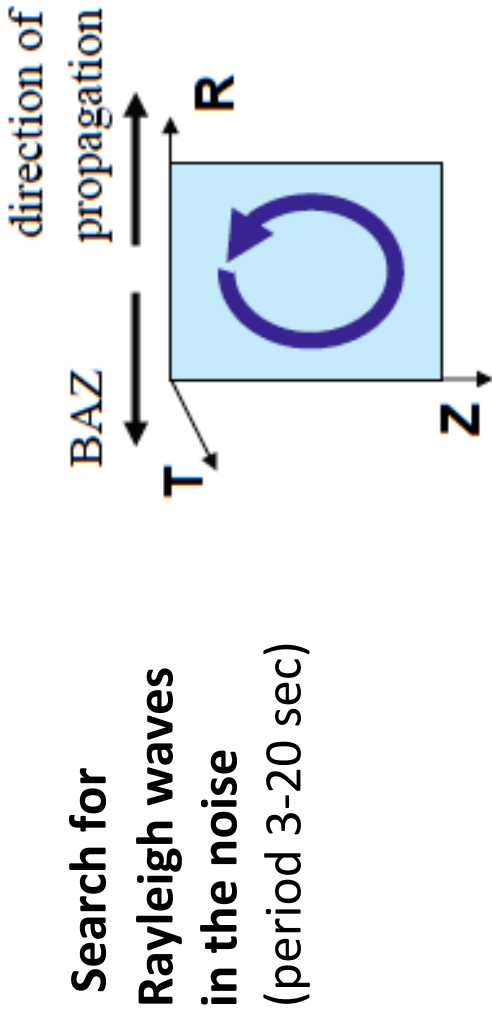
P-waves



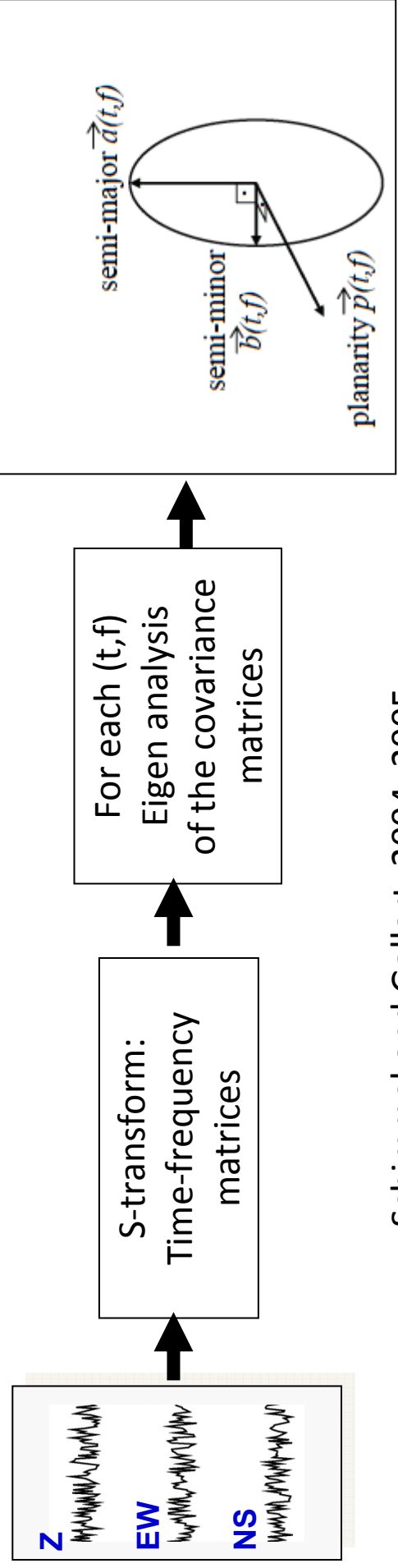
S-waves



# Data processing



## Search for elliptical polarized signal:







**Mean direction**

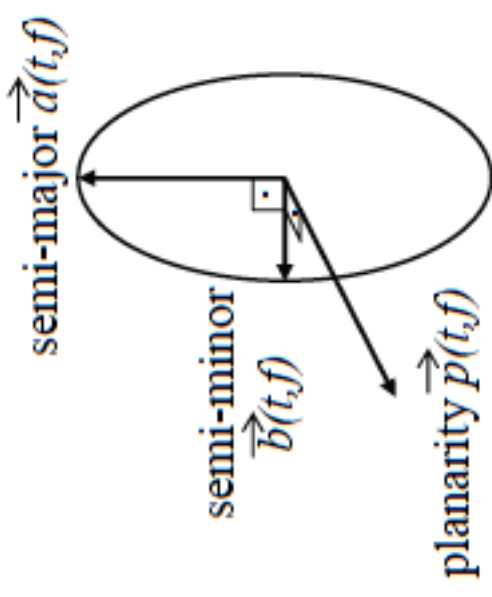
$$\vec{m}(t, f) = \frac{1}{N(f)} \sum_{\tau=t-\frac{T(f)}{2}}^{t+\frac{T(f)}{2}} \frac{\vec{p}(\tau, f)}{|\vec{p}(\tau, f)|}$$

**Degree of polarisation (DOP)**

$$c(t, f) = \left( \frac{1}{N(f)} \sum_{\tau=t-\frac{T(f)}{2}}^{t+\frac{T(f)}{2}} \left| \frac{\vec{m}(t, f)}{|\vec{m}(t, f)|} \cdot \frac{\vec{p}(\tau, f)}{|\vec{p}(\tau, f)|} \right|^{\nu_1} \right)^{\nu_2} \cdot \sin(\text{angle between } \mathbf{z} \text{ and } \mathbf{p})$$

DOP=1 Elliptical signal in the vertical plane

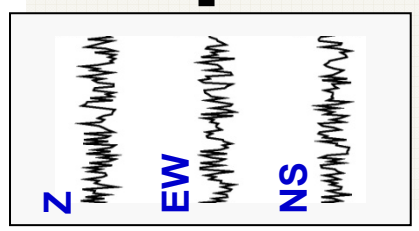
DOP=0 Linear signal



## Extraction of robust polarization attributes: BACK AZIMUTH DEGREE OF POLARIZATION

# Rayleigh wave polarization

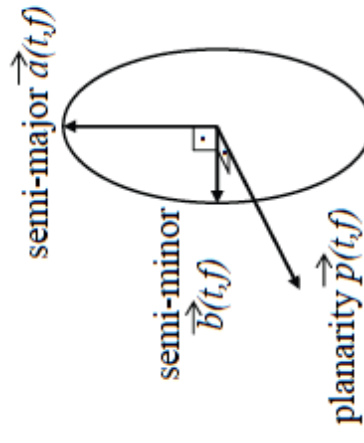
**Search for elliptically polarized signal:**



S-transform:  
Time-frequency  
matrices

For each (t,f)  
Eigen analysis  
of the covariance  
matrices

Polarization attributes:



Statistical approach to extract robust:

- Degree of polarization (measure of the ellipticity in the vertical plane)
- Back azimuth