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Upper Mantle Anisotropy from Surface Wave Studies

Part II

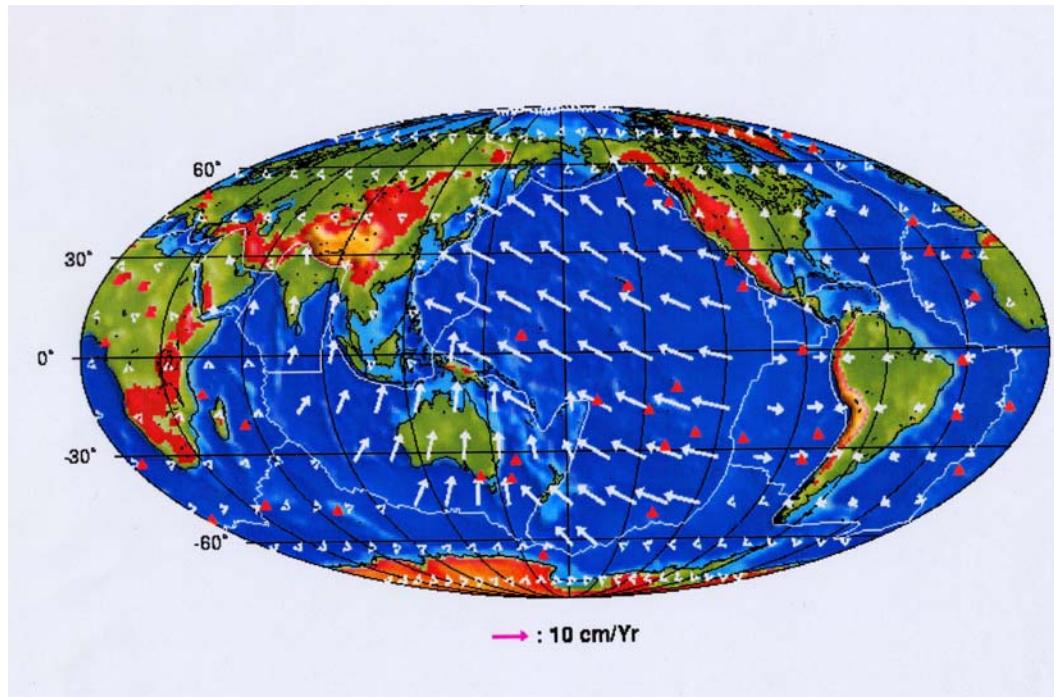
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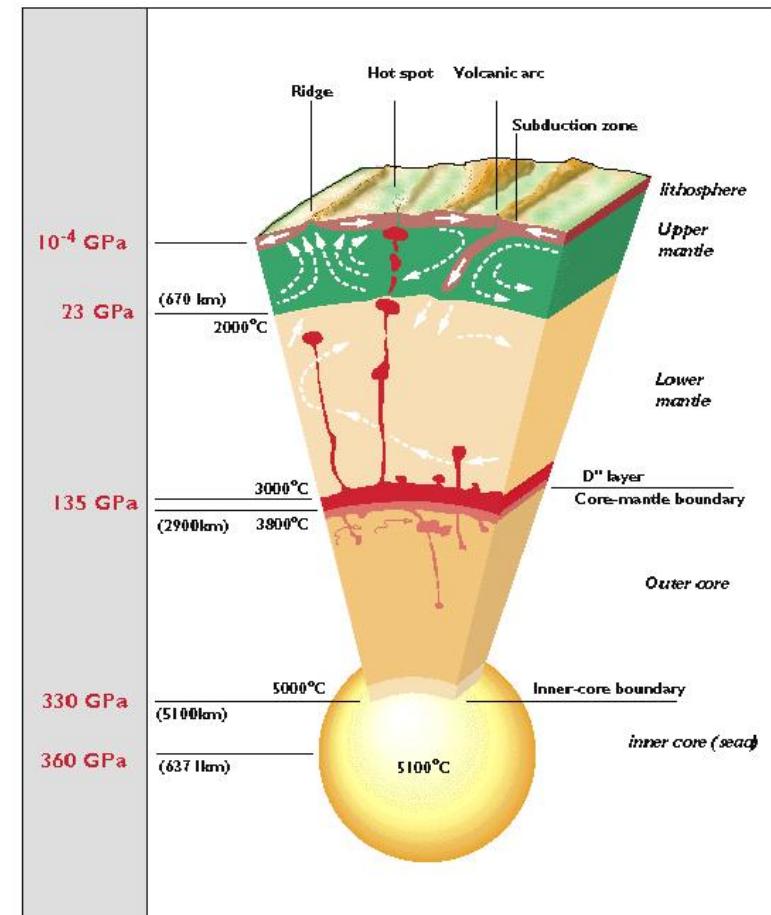
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Structure of the Earth

Plate tectonics



Mantle Convection



Tomographic Technique

- **Forward Problem:** Theory $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{p})$

\mathbf{d} data space, \mathbf{p} parameter space

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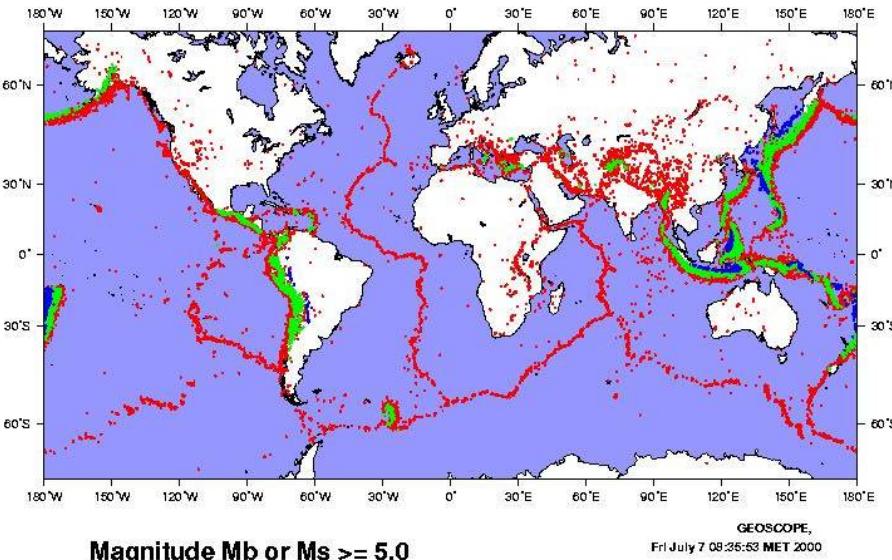
- **Inverse Problem:** $\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_0 = \mathbf{g}^{-1} (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{d}_0)$

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- \mathbf{C}_{pf} a posteriori Covariance function of parameters

- R Resolution

Global seismicity 1928-1999

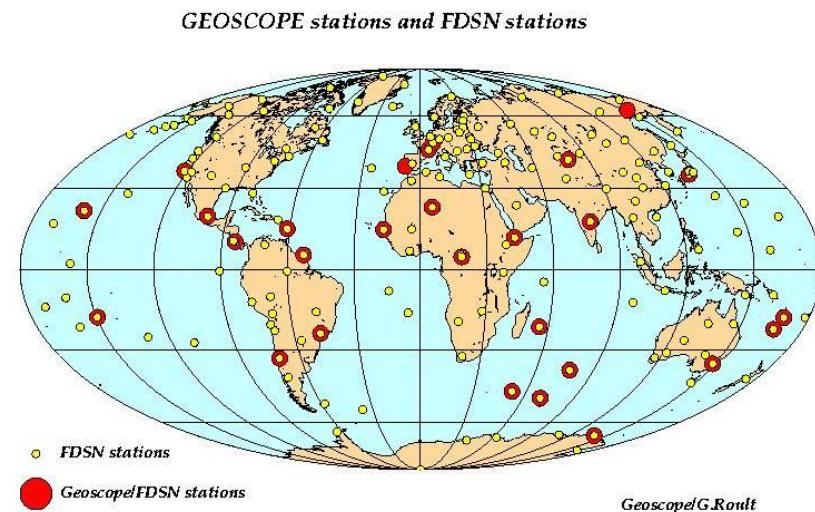


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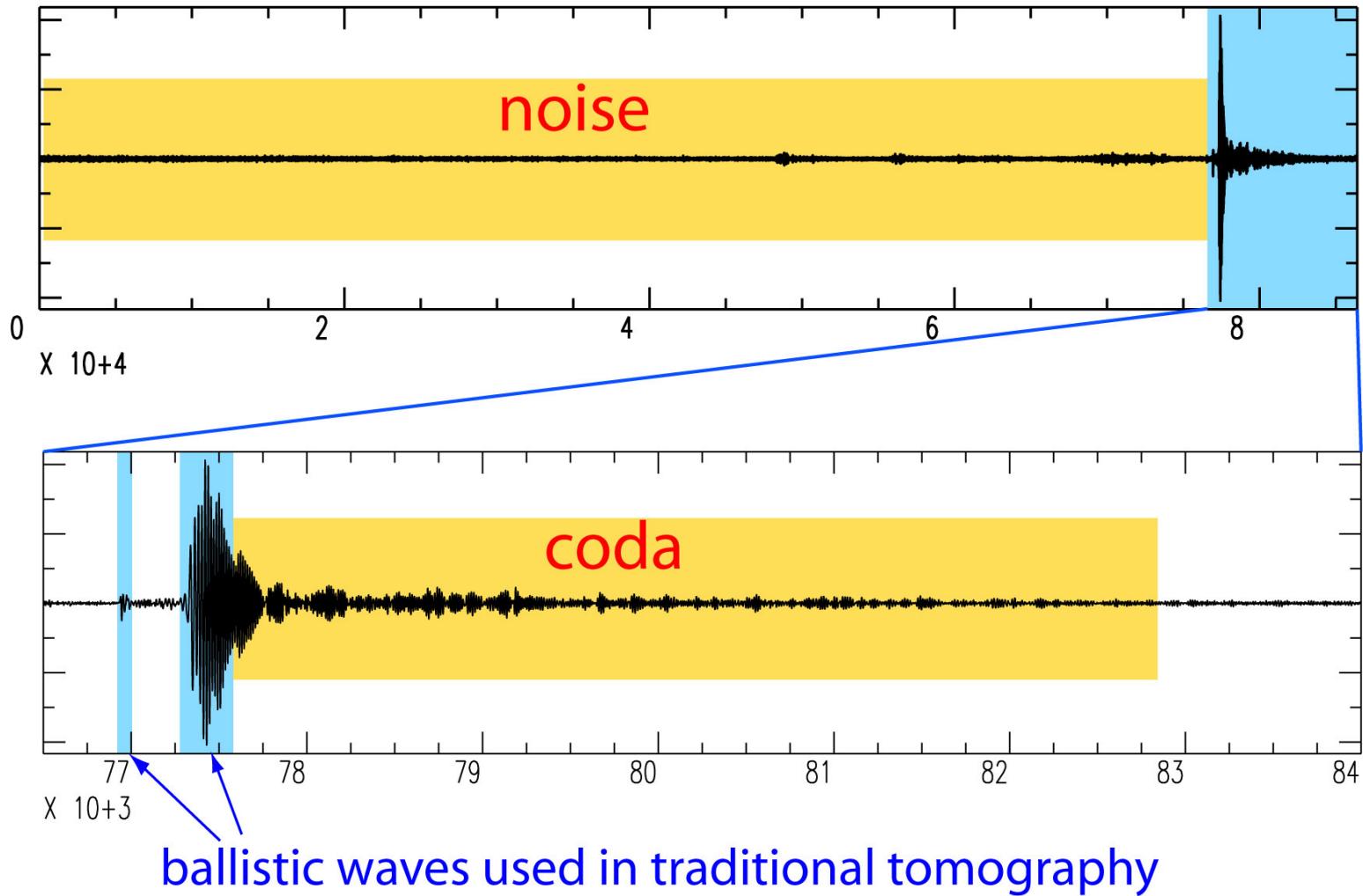
Receivers

Seismic sources:

- earthquakes
- noise
 - (1-20s microseismic)
 - (100-400s seismic Hum)



one day of seismic record



=> Nikolai Shapiro's Lecture



Importance of seismic anisotropy

ANISOTROPY is the Rule not the Exception

Seismic Anisotropy is present at all scales



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Anisotropy is present at all scales

-From microscopic scale up to macroscopic scale

-Efficient mechanisms of alignment in the upper mantle:
(L.P.O.: lattice preferred orientation;
S.P.O.: shape preferred orientation;
FINE LAYERING)

NON UNIQUE INTERPRETATION

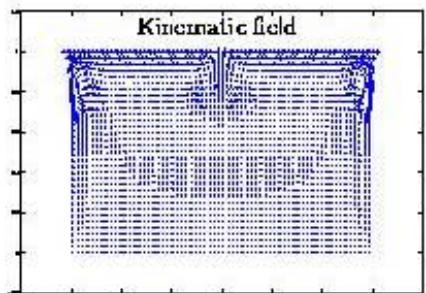
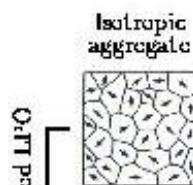
Micro

Macro

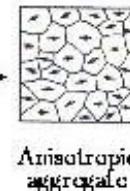
Microscopic scale

Mid-scale

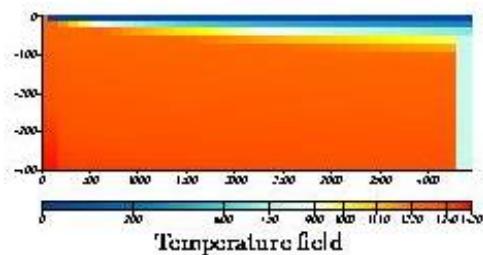
Large-scale



Deformation-induced LIO



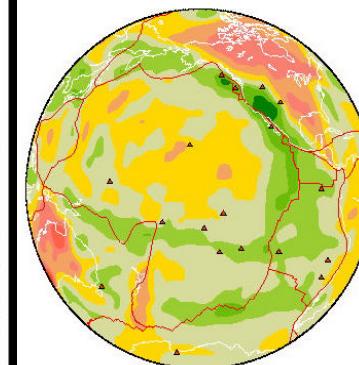
Anisotropic aggregate



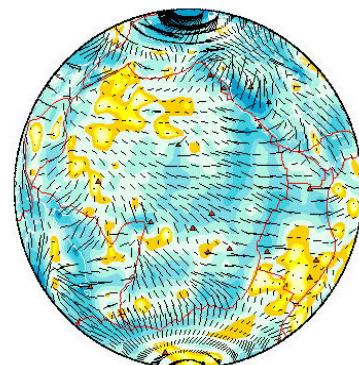
Mapping convection

Mineralogical composition

SEISMOLOGICAL DATA



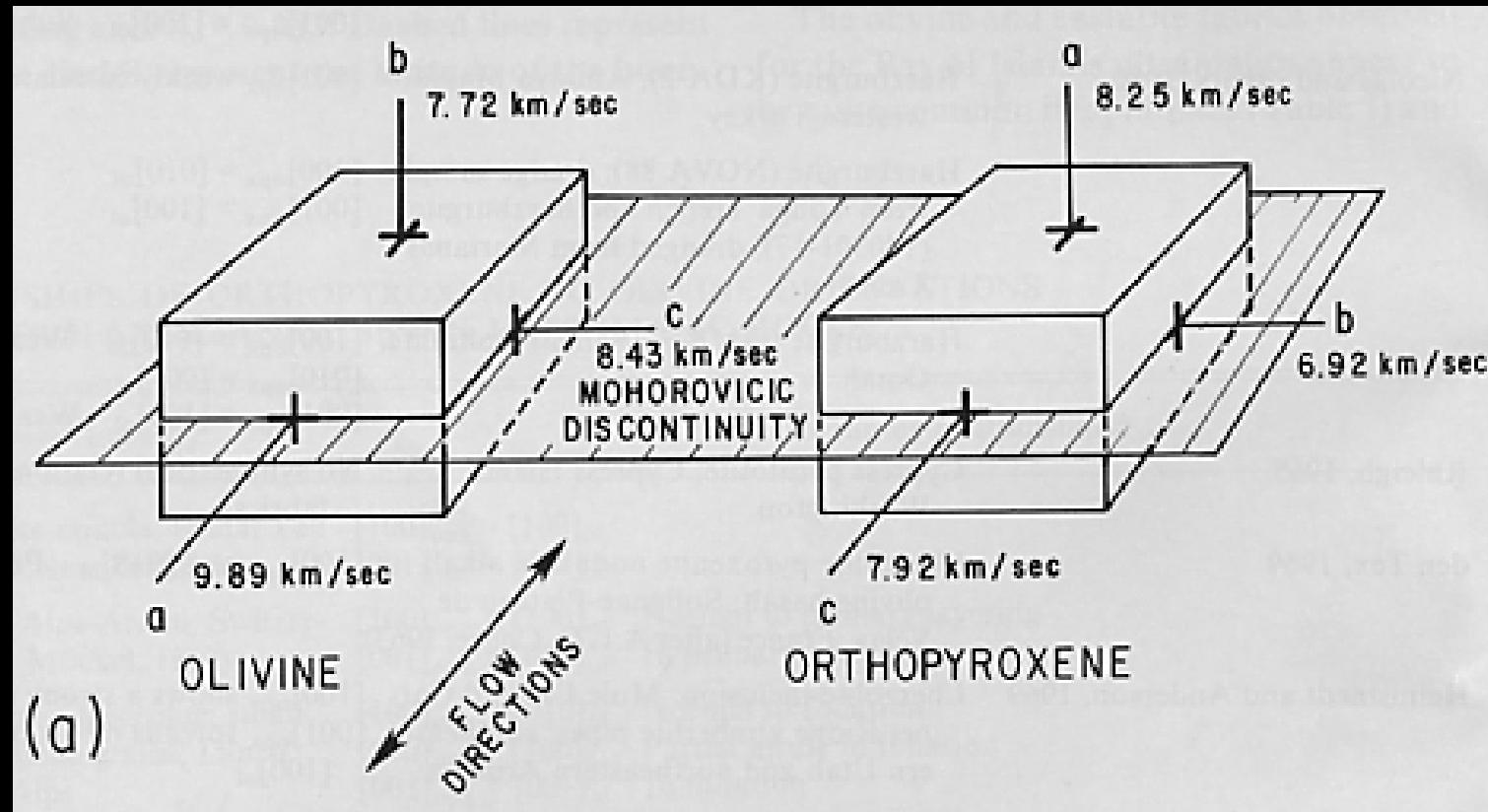
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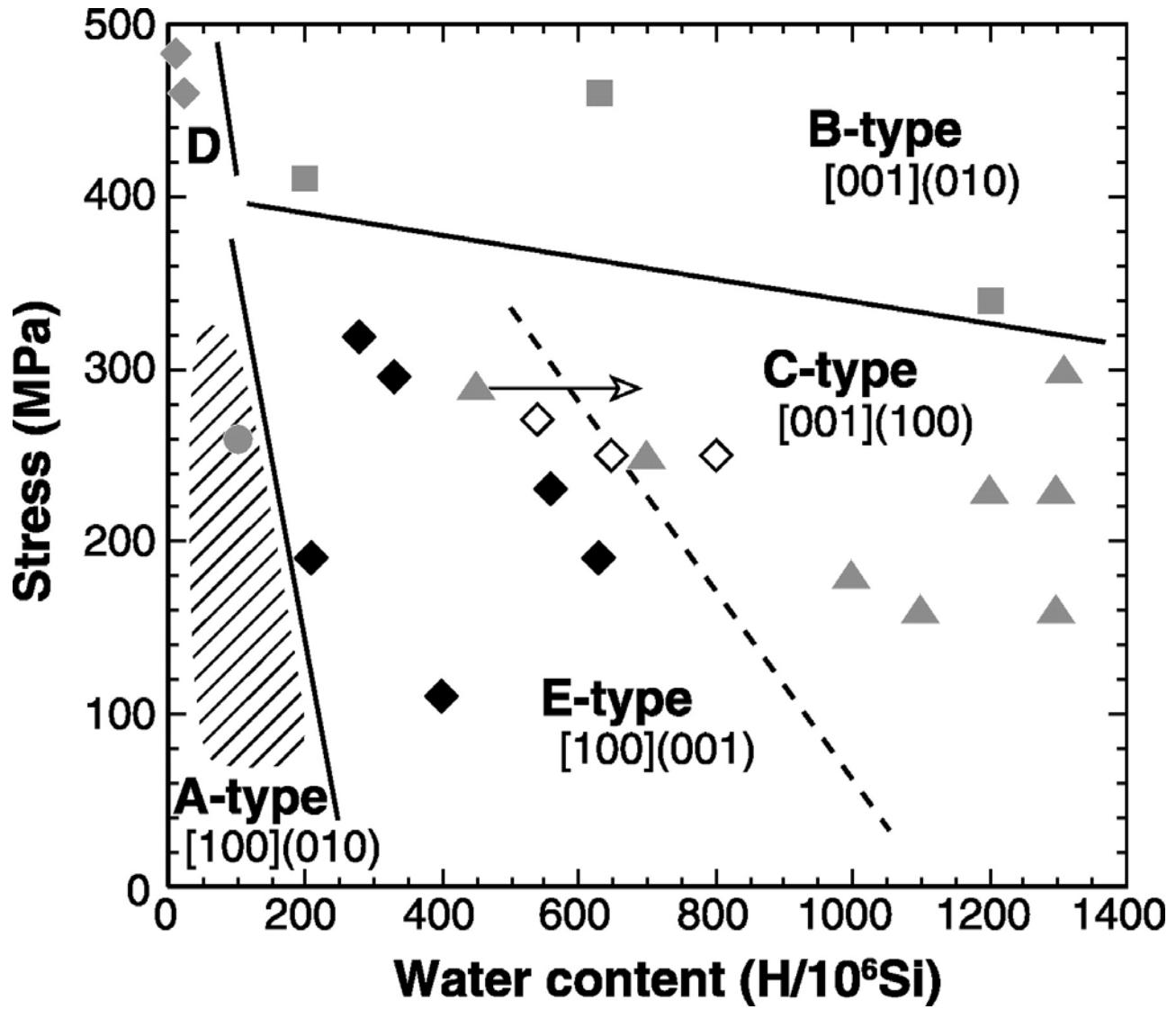
(b) Azimuthal Anisotropy

(Montagner and Guillot, 2001)

L.P.O. : Lattice Preferred Orientation (strain field)



Christensen and Lundquist, 1982

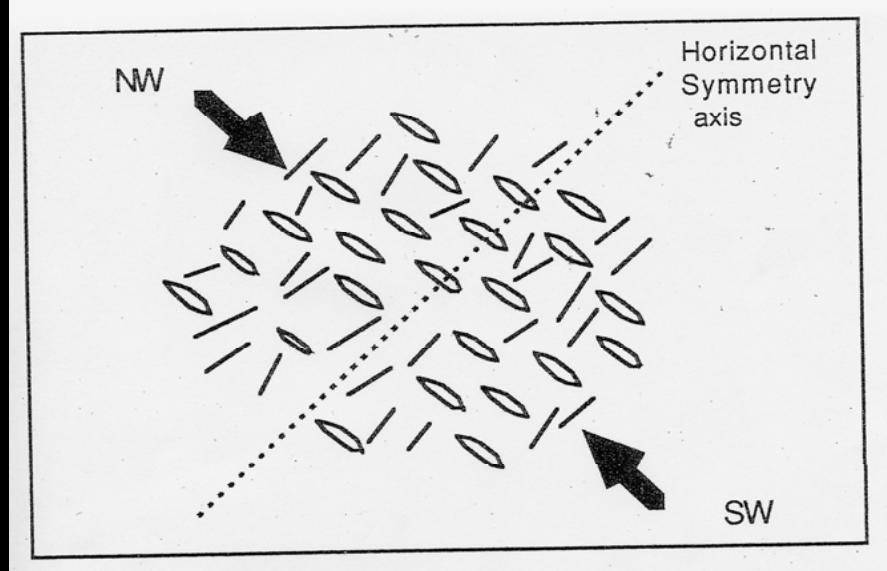


New Types of Olivine Fabric

Katayama et al., 2004

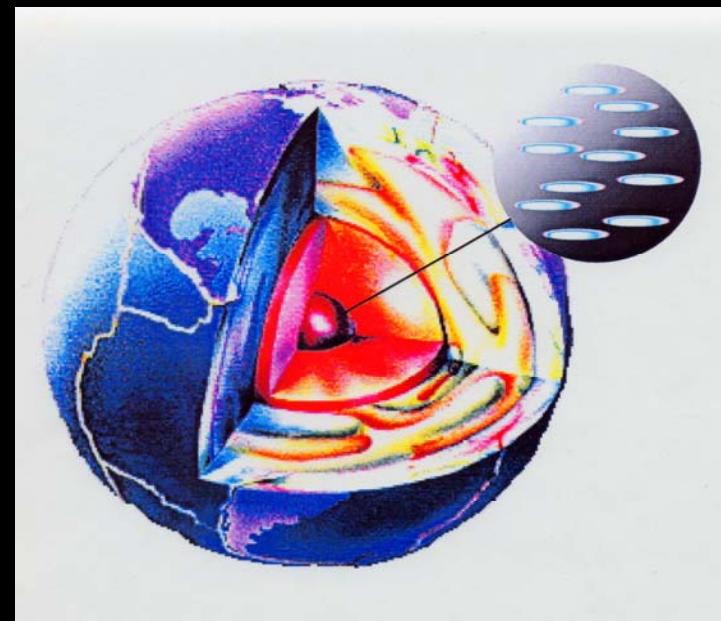
Cracks, fluid inclusions (stress field)

Crust



(Babuska and Cara, 1991)

Inner core



(Singh et al., 2001)

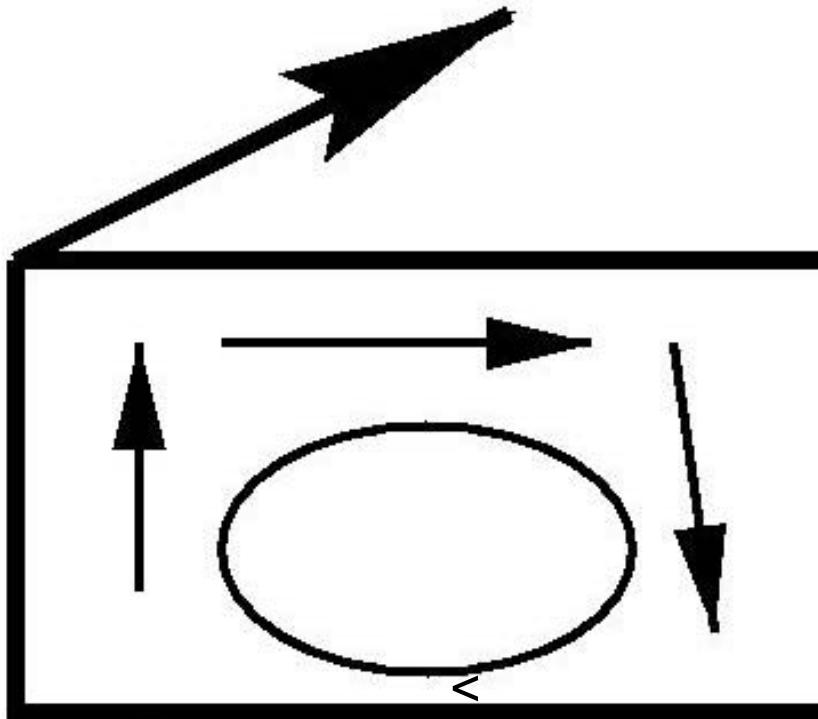


Importance of seismic anisotropy ANISOTROPY is the Rule not the Exception

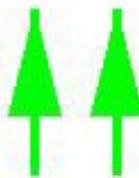
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Hot



$\Delta\alpha$ Effect of Mineral Orientation



Cold

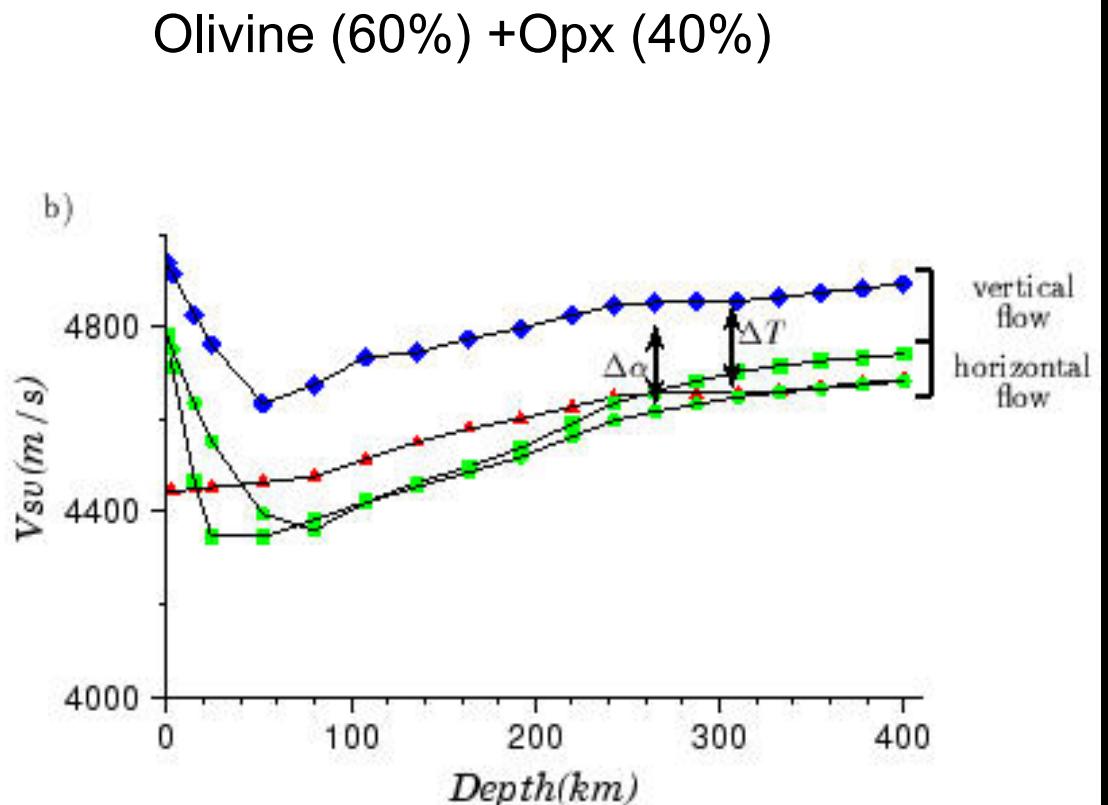
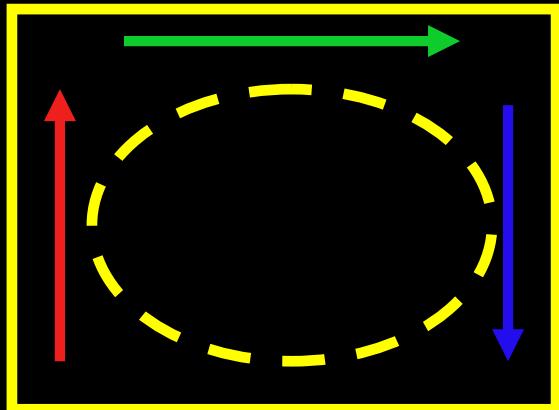
ΔT Effect of Temperature Heterogeneities

Montagner & Guillot, 2002

$\Delta\alpha$: Anisotropy Effect

ΔT : Temperature Effect

$$\Delta\alpha \approx \Delta T$$



Montagner & Guillot, 2002



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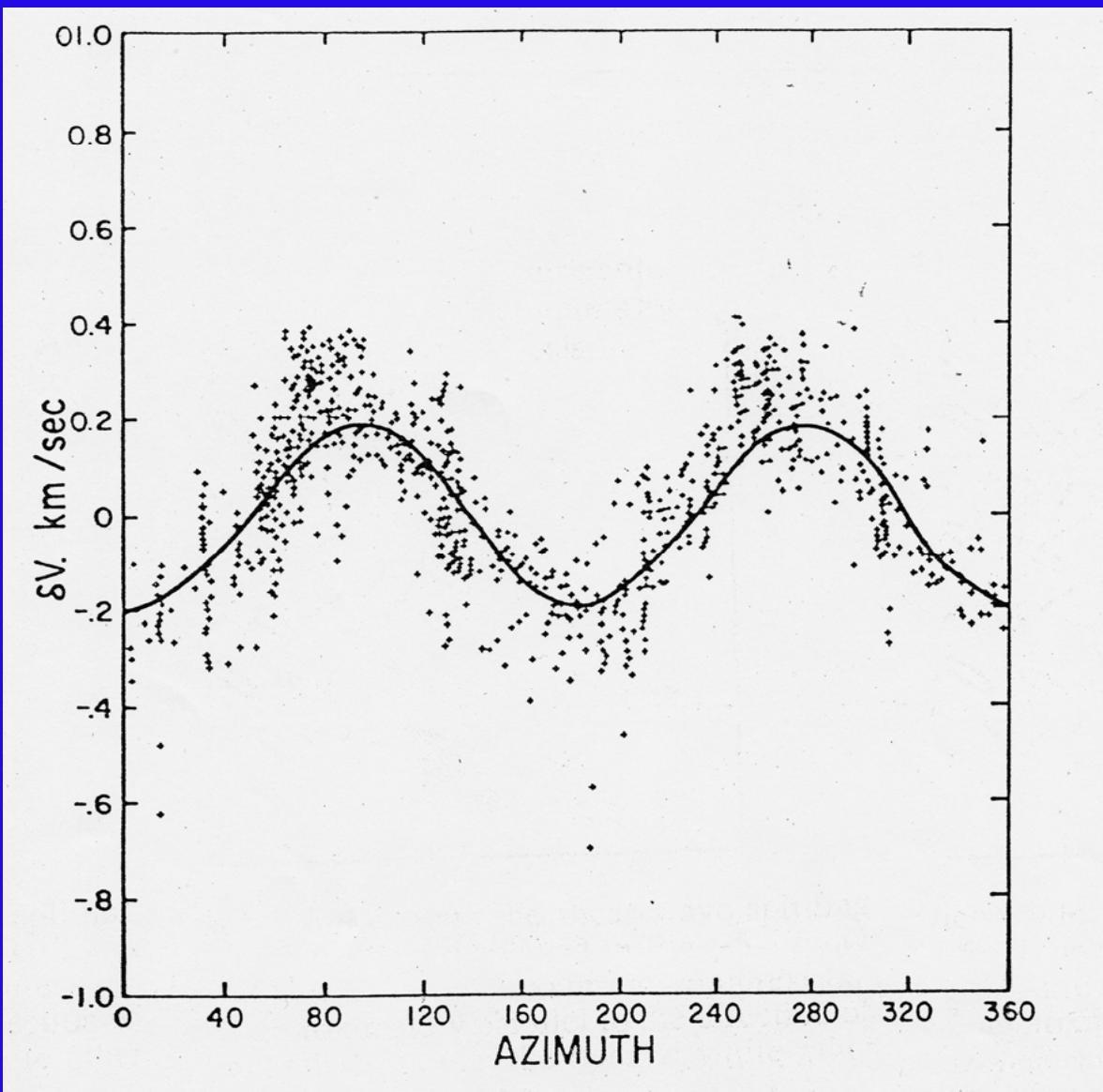
(S.P.O.: shape preferred orientation; Fine layering)

Anisotropy is observed on different kinds of seismic waves

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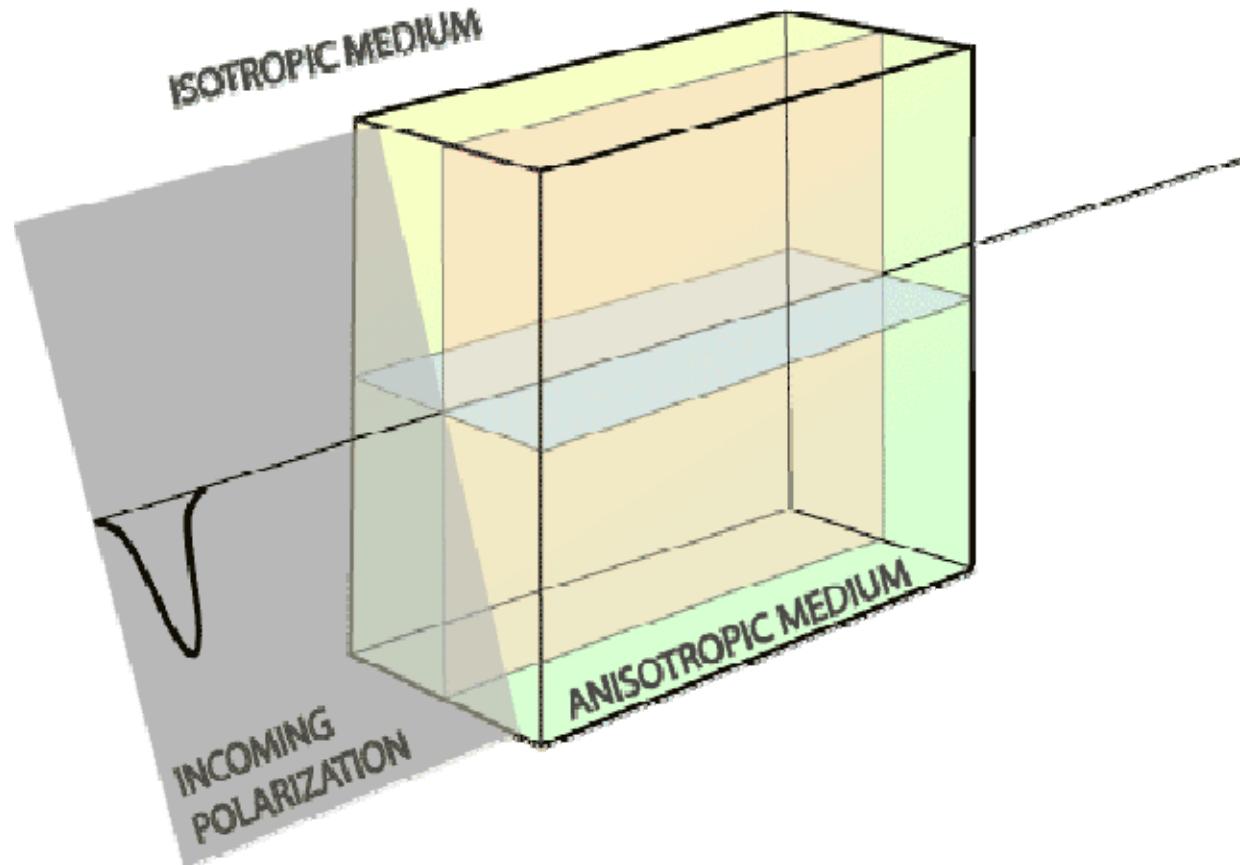
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Pn- velocities



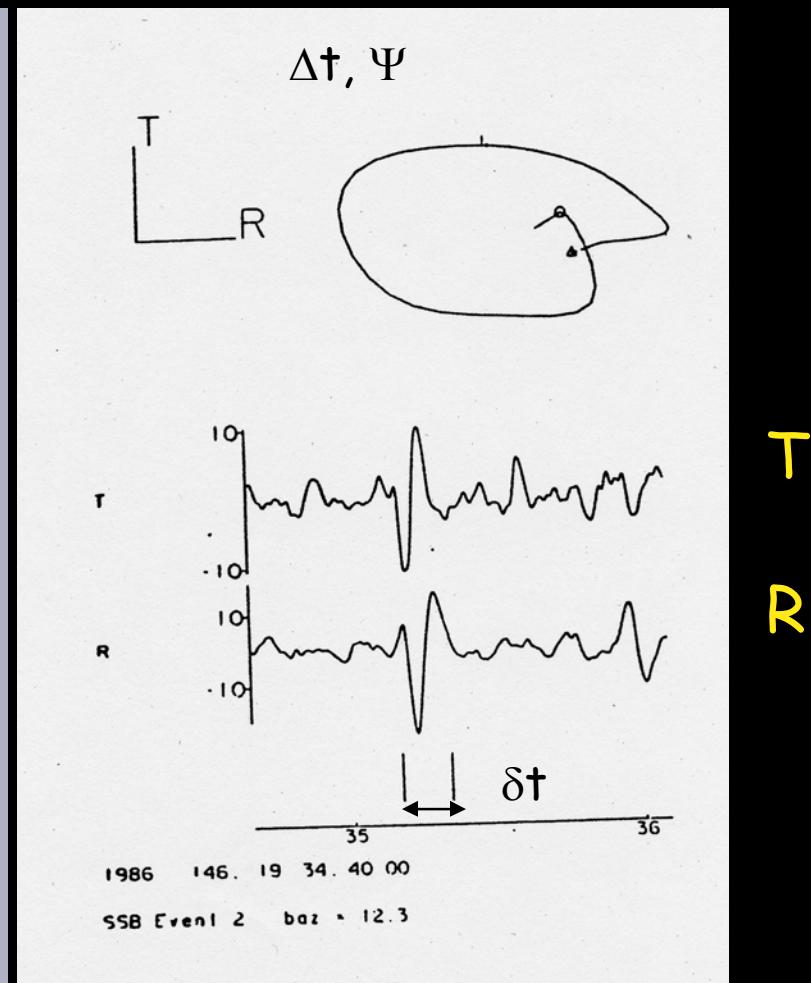
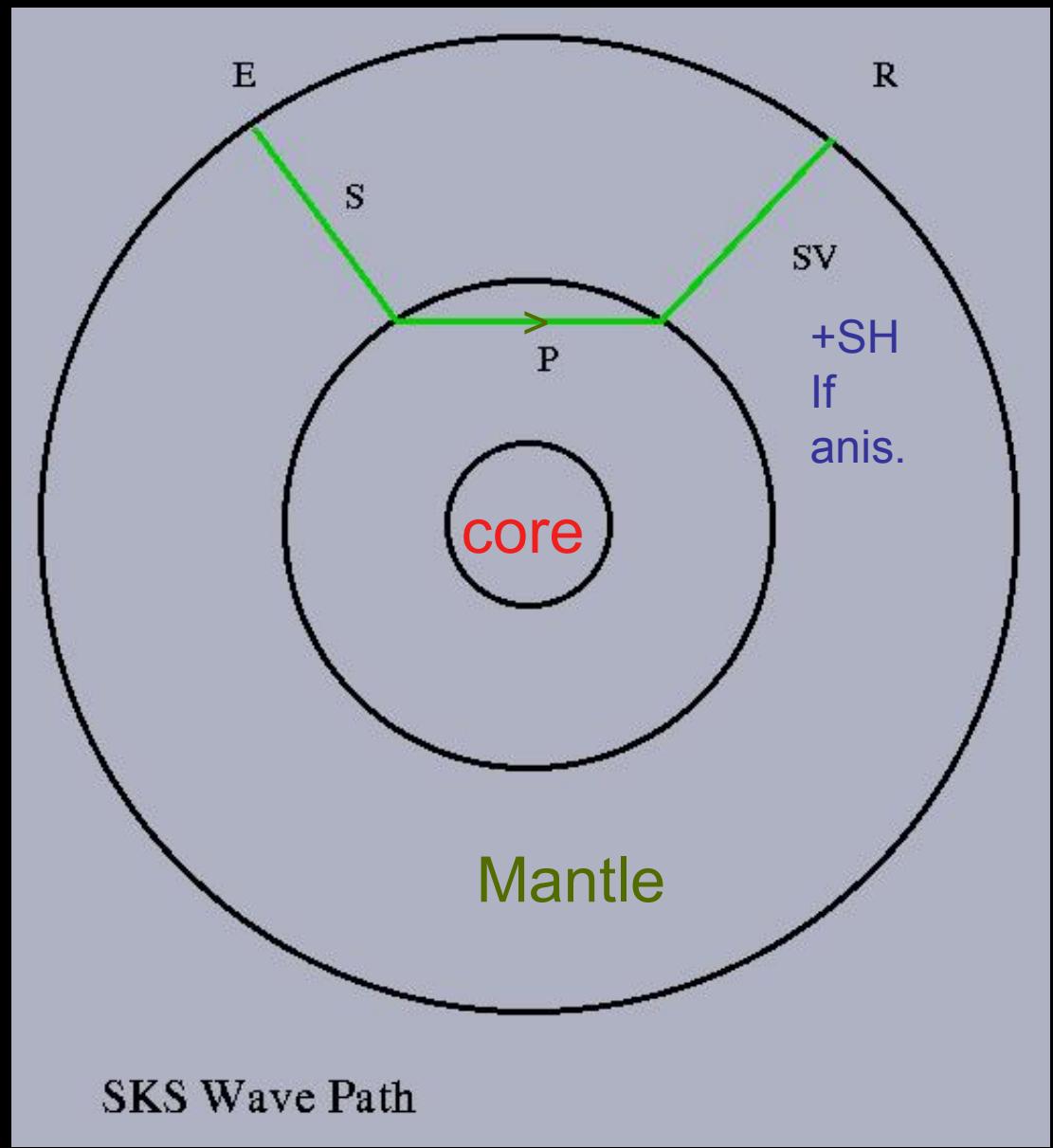
(Raitt et al., 1969)

Shear Wave Splitting (Birefringence)



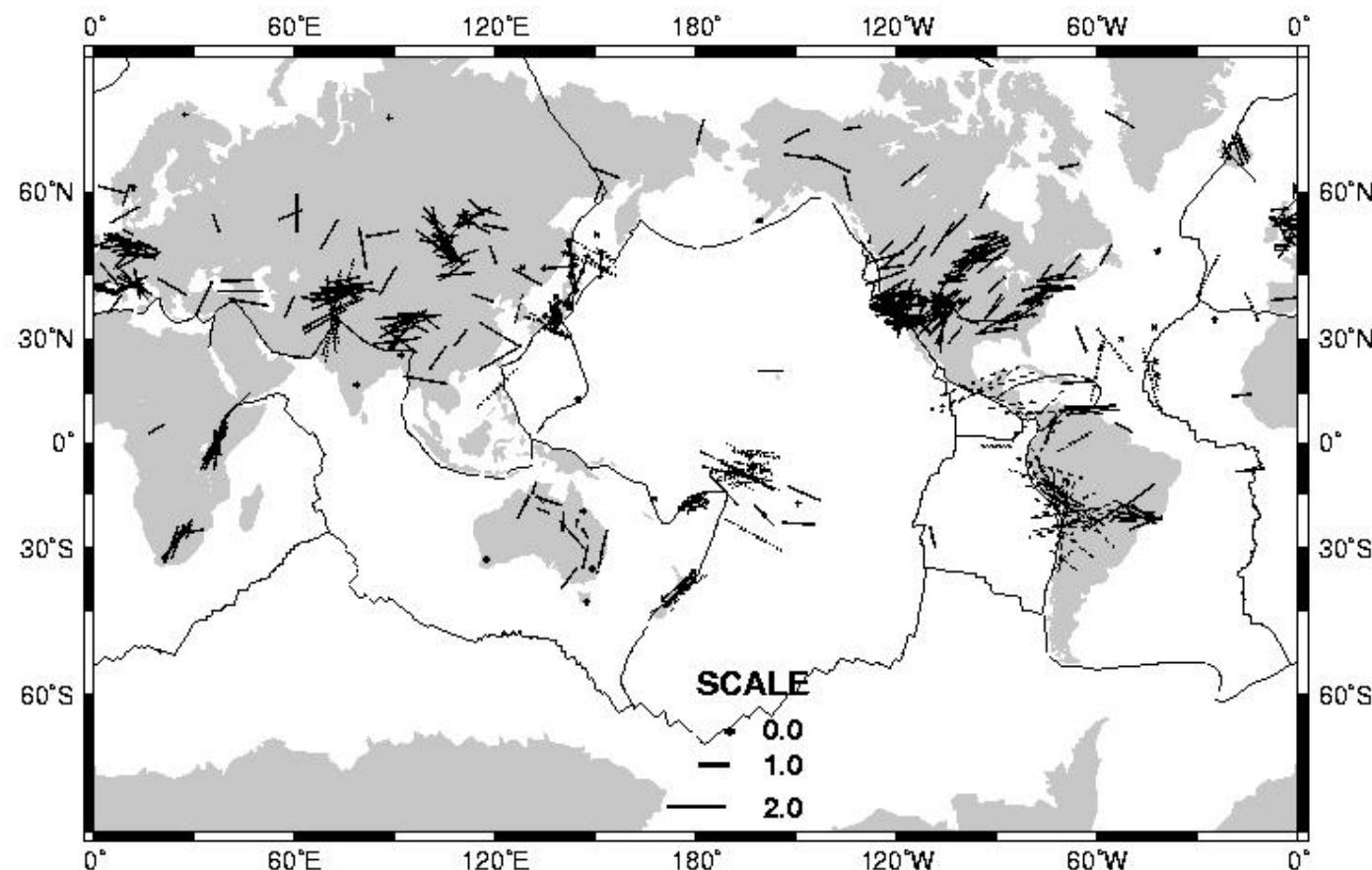
Animation courtesy of Ed Garnero

SKS- Splitting



Vinnik et al., 1989

Compilation of S-wave splitting measurements



Savage, Rev. Geophys., 1999



SURFACE WAVES



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ANISOTROPY REFLECTS AN INNER ORGANIZATION

ANISOTROPY IS NOT A SECOND ORDER EFFECT

BUT NON UNIQUE INTERPRETATION

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Effect of anisotropy on surface waves

Effect on eigenfrequency for multiplet $k=\{n,l,m\}$ (Rayleigh's principle)

$$\frac{\delta\omega_k}{\omega_k} = \frac{\int_{\Omega} \varepsilon_{ij}^* \delta C_{ijkl} \varepsilon_{kl} d\Omega}{\int_{\Omega} \rho_0 u_r^* u_r d\Omega} = \frac{\delta V}{V} |_k$$

ε strain tensor, u displacement, δC_{ijkl} elastic tensor perturbation

Phase velocity perturbation $V(T, \theta, \phi, \Psi)$ at point $r(\theta, \phi)$
(Smith&Dahlen, 1973)

Ψ Azimuth (angle between North and wave vector)

$$\begin{aligned} \delta V(T, \theta, \phi, \Psi) / V &= \alpha_0(T, \theta, \phi) + \alpha_1(T, \theta, \phi) \cos 2\Psi + \alpha_2(T, \theta, \phi) \sin 2\Psi \\ &\quad + \alpha_3(T, \theta, \phi) \cos 4\Psi + \alpha_4(T, \theta, \phi) \sin 4\Psi \end{aligned}$$

Table 1: Calculation of the various $c_{ij}\epsilon_i\epsilon_j$ for Love waves
 $\alpha = \cos\Psi$; $\beta = \sin\Psi$

n	ij	$c_{ij}\epsilon_i\epsilon_j$
1	11	$c_{11}\alpha^2\beta^2.k^2W^2$
1	22	$c_{22}\alpha^2\beta^2.k^2W^2$
1	33	0
2	12	$-c_{12}\alpha^2\beta^2.k^2W^2$
2	13	0
2	23	0
2	24	
4	14	$c_{14}(-i\alpha^2\beta).\frac{kWW'}{2}$
4	15	$c_{15}(i\alpha^2\beta).\frac{kWW'}{2}$
4	16	$c_{16}(-\alpha\beta)(\alpha^2 - \beta^2).\frac{k^2W^2}{2}$
4	24	$c_{24}(-i\alpha^2\beta).\frac{kWW'}{2}$
4	25	$c_{25}(-i\alpha\beta^2).\frac{kWW'}{2}$
4	26	$c_{26}(\alpha\beta)(\alpha^2 - \beta^2).\frac{k^2W^2}{2}$
4	34	0
4	35	0
4	36	0
4	44	$c_{44}\alpha^2.\frac{W'^2}{4}$
8	45	$c_{45}(-\alpha\beta).\frac{W'^2}{4}$
8	46	$c_{46}(-i\alpha)(\alpha^2 - \beta^2).\frac{kWW'}{2}$
4	55	$c_{55}\beta^2.\frac{W'^2}{4}$
8	56	$c_{56}(i\beta)(\alpha^2 - \beta^2).\frac{kWW'}{2}$
4	66	$c_{66}(\alpha^2 - \beta^2).\frac{k^2W^2}{4}$

$$C_{mnpq} \rightarrow C_{ij}$$

Indices:

$$i = 9-m-n$$

$$j = 9-p-q$$

W(r) Love displacement

$$W' = (dW/dr)$$

The first order perturbation in Love wave phase velocity $\delta C_L(k, \Psi)$ can be expressed as:

$$\delta C_L(k, \Psi) = \frac{1}{2C_{0L}(k)} [L_1(k) + L_2(k)\cos 2\Psi + L_3(k)\sin 2\Psi + L_4(k)\cos 4\Psi + L_5(k)\sin 4\Psi]$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_0(k) &= \int_0^\infty \rho W^2 dz \\
 \text{1}\Psi \leftarrow L_1(k) &= \frac{1}{L_0} \int_0^\infty (W^2 dN + \frac{W'^2}{k^2} dL) dz \\
 \text{2}\Psi \leftarrow \begin{cases} L_2(k) = \frac{1}{L_0} \int_0^\infty -G_c(\frac{W'^2}{k^2}) dz \\ L_3(k) = \frac{1}{L_0} \int_0^\infty -G_s(\frac{W'^2}{k^2}) dz \end{cases} \\
 \text{4}\Psi \leftarrow \begin{cases} L_4(k) = \frac{1}{L_0} \int_0^\infty -E_c \cdot W^2 dz \\ L_5(k) = \frac{1}{L_0} \int_0^\infty -E_s \cdot W^2 dz \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

The same procedure holds for Rayleigh waves, starting from the displacement given previously.

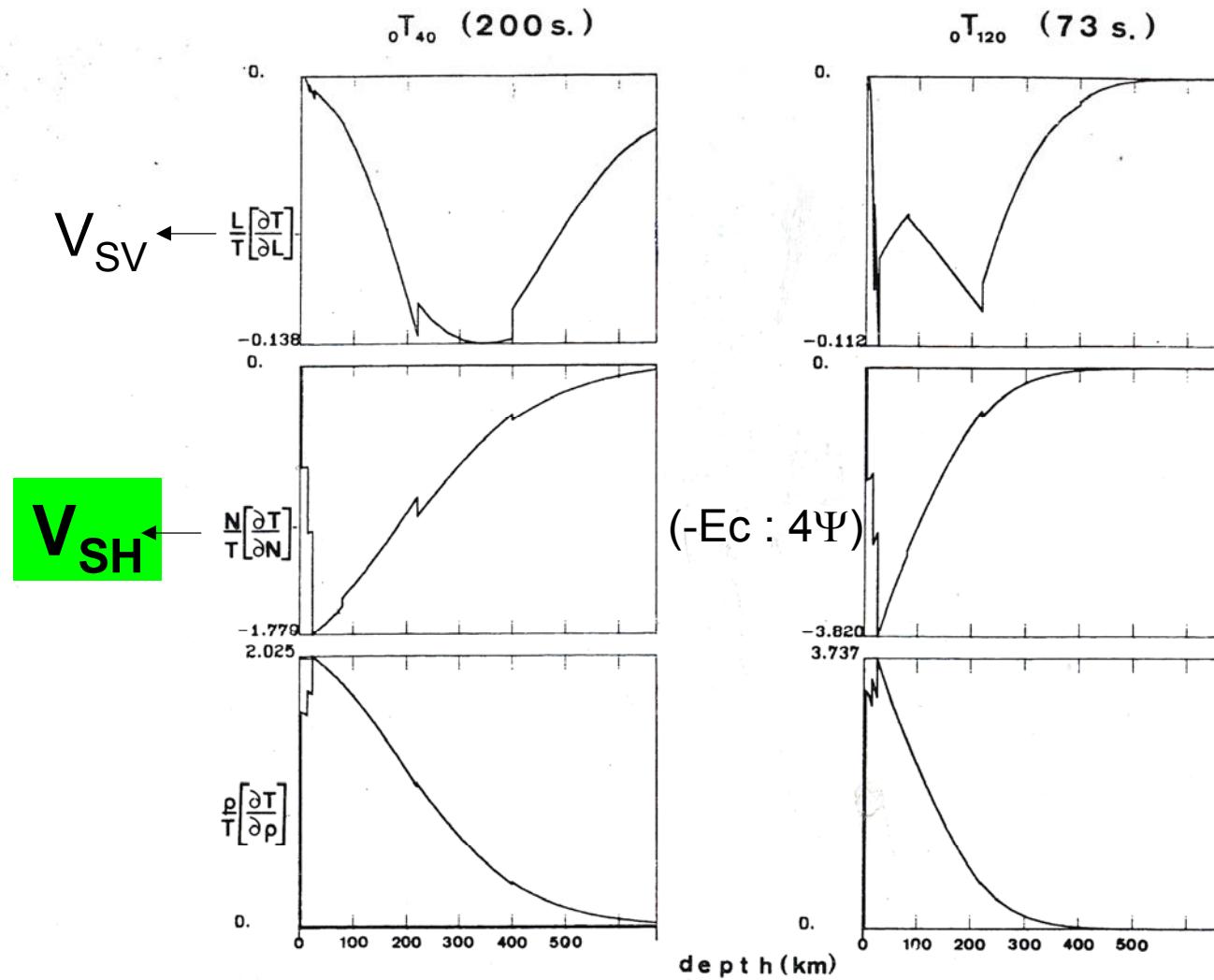
$$\delta C_R(k, \Psi) = \frac{1}{2C_{0R}(k)} [R_1(k) + R_2(k)\cos 2\Psi + R_3(k)\sin 2\Psi + R_4(k)\cos 4\Psi + R_5(k)\sin 4\Psi]$$

where

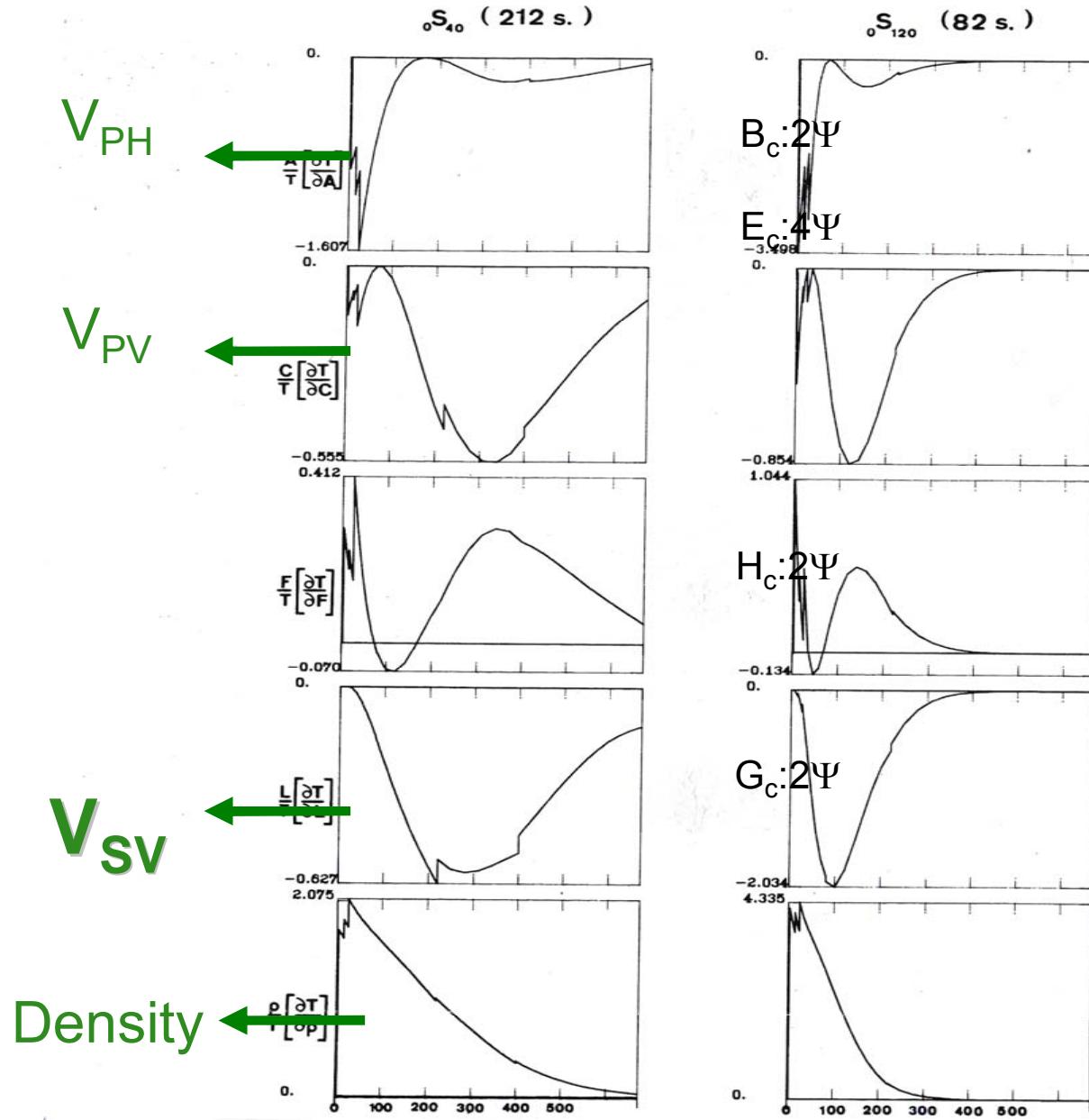
$$\begin{aligned} R_0(k) &= \int_0^\infty \rho(U^2 + V^2)dz \\ 0-\Psi \quad R_1(k) &= \frac{1}{R_0} \int_0^\infty [V^2 dA + \frac{U'^2}{k^2} dC + \frac{2U'V}{k} dF + (\frac{V'}{k} - U)^2 dL] dz \\ 2-\Psi \quad \begin{cases} R_2(k) = \frac{1}{R_0} \int_0^\infty [V^2 \cdot B_c + \frac{2U'V}{k} \cdot H_c + (\frac{V'}{k} - U)^2 G_c] dz \\ R_3(k) = \frac{1}{R_0} \int_0^\infty [V^2 \cdot B_s + \frac{2U'V}{k} \cdot H_s + (\frac{V'}{k} - U)^2 G_s] dz \end{cases} \\ 4-\Psi \quad \begin{cases} R_4(k) = \frac{1}{R_0} \int_0^\infty E_c \cdot V^2 dz \\ R_5(k) = \frac{1}{R_0} \int_0^\infty E_s \cdot V^2 dz \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

The 13 depth-functions $A, C, F, L, N, B_c, B_s, H_c, H_s, G_c, G_s, E_c, E_s$ are linear combinations of the elastic coefficients C_{ij} and are explicitly given as follows:

Love wave partial derivatives



Rayleigh wave partial derivatives



13 parameters

Physical Meaning

	$A = \frac{3}{8}(C_{11} + C_{22}) + \frac{1}{4}C_{12} + \frac{1}{2}C_{66}$	V_{PH}
	$C = C_{33}$	V_{PV}
0 Ψ term	$F = \frac{1}{2}(C_{13} + C_{23})$	
	$L = \frac{1}{2}(C_{44} + C_{55})$	V_{SV}
	$N = \frac{1}{8}(C_{11} + C_{22}) - \frac{1}{4}C_{12} + \frac{1}{2}C_{66}$	V_{SH}
	cos	sin
2 Ψ term	$B_c = \frac{1}{2}(C_{11} - C_{22})$	$B_s = C_{16} + c_{26} \rightarrow B$
	$G_c = \frac{1}{2}(C_{55} - C_{44})$	$G_s = C_{54} \rightarrow G$
	$H_c = \frac{1}{2}(C_{13} - C_{23})$	$H_s = C_{36} \rightarrow H$
4 Ψ term	$E_c = \frac{1}{8}(C_{11} + C_{22}) - \frac{1}{4}C_{12} - \frac{1}{2}C_{66}$	$E_s = \frac{1}{2}(C_{16} - C_{26}) \rightarrow E$

Transversely
Isotropic Medium
With Vertical Symmetry
Axis (VTI)

Azimuthal variation of

V_{PH}

V_{SV}

F

V_{SH} (or V_{PH})

Isotropic medium: 2 parameters

VTI: 5 parameters (A, C, F, L, N)

General + 8 (from surface waves)

13 parameters

- Best Resolved parameters for Surface Waves

$L = \rho V_{SV}^2$ Isotropic part of V_{SV} .

$\xi = \frac{N}{L} = \frac{V_{SH}^2}{V_{SV}^2}$ Radial Anisotropy.

G, Ψ_G Azimuthal Anisotropy of V_{SV} , also related to SKS splitting
(when horizontal symmetry axis).

+ a priori information (from mineralogy, ...)

- Body Waves (Crampin, 1984)

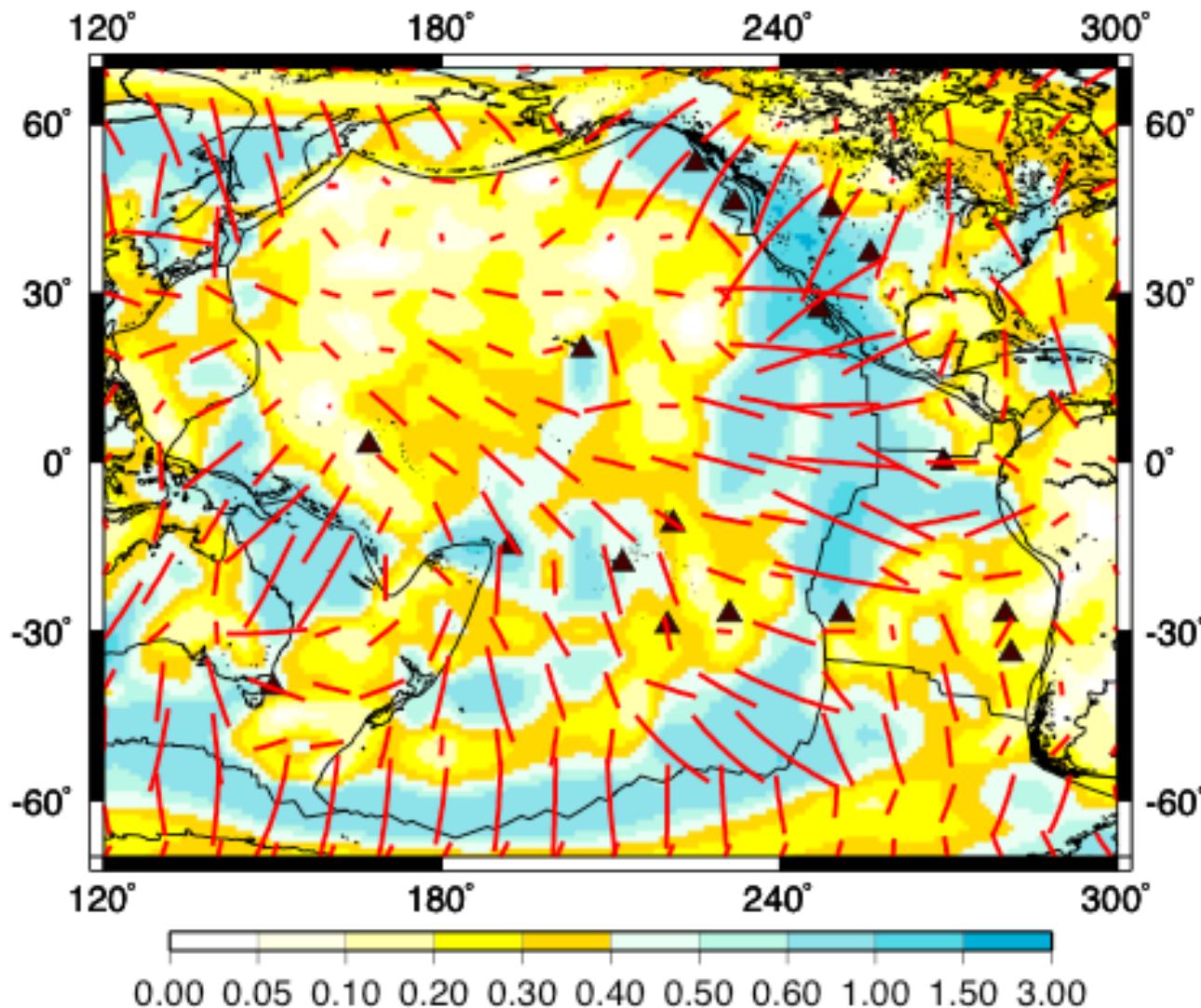
$$\rho V_{qSV}^2 = L + G_e \cos 2\Psi + G_s \sin 2\Psi$$

$$\rho V_{qSH}^2 = N - E_e \cos 4\Psi - E_s \sin 4\Psi$$

Surface wave anisotropy: L , G_c , G_s parameters



Synthetic SKS-wave splitting



Geodynamic Interpretation

S- Velocity

Radial Anisotropy

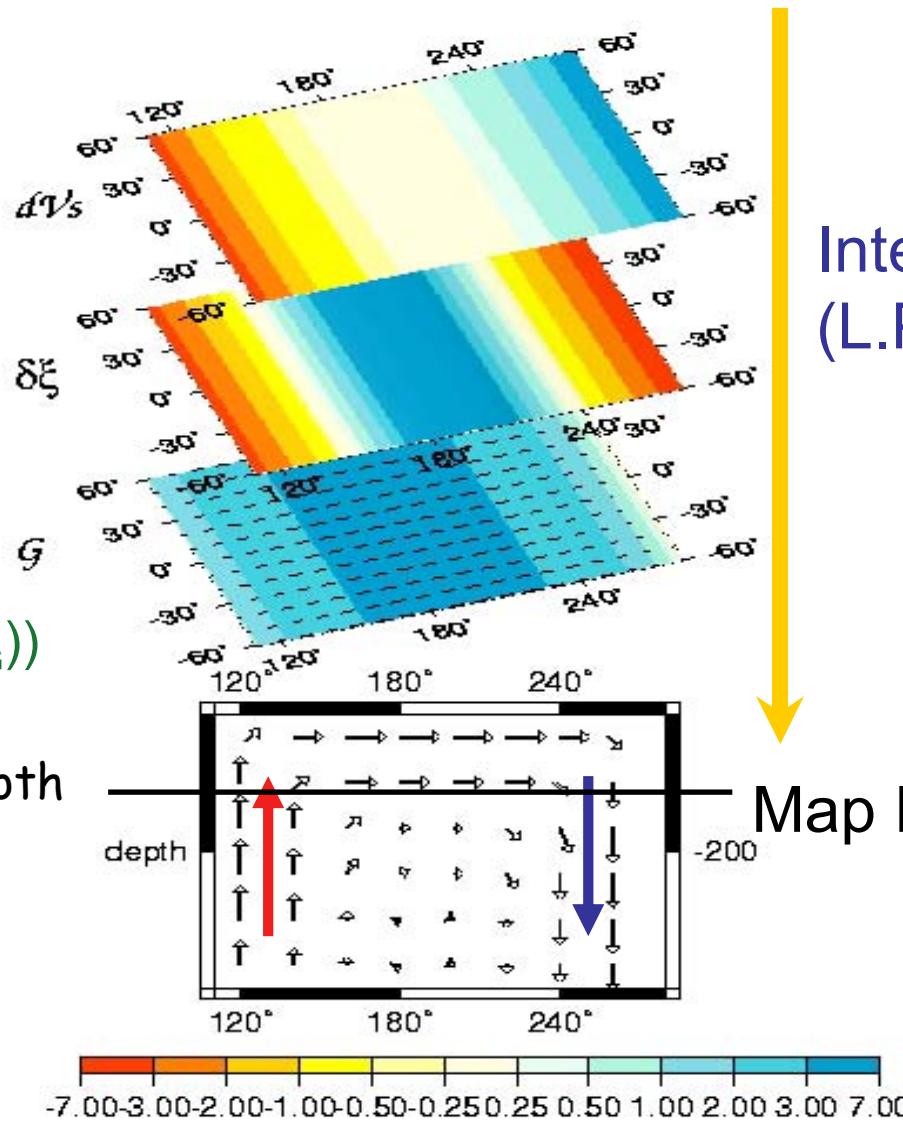
$$\xi = (V_{SH}^2 - V_{SV}^2) / V_{SV}^2$$

Azimuthal Anisotropy

$$V_{SV} \approx V_{SV0} + \frac{1}{2} G \cos(2(\Psi - \Psi_G))$$

At a given depth

Convective cell: anisotropic parameters



Interpretation
(L.P.O.)

Map Flow

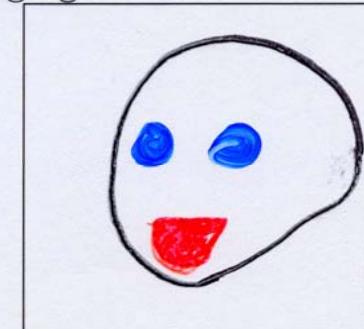
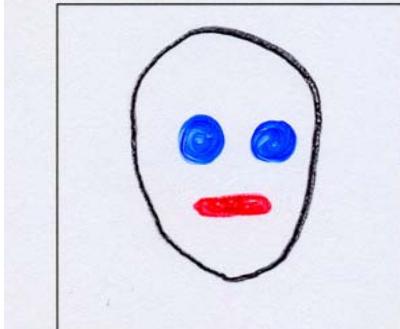
IMAGING OF FAMOUS SCIENTISTS



Anisotropic imaging



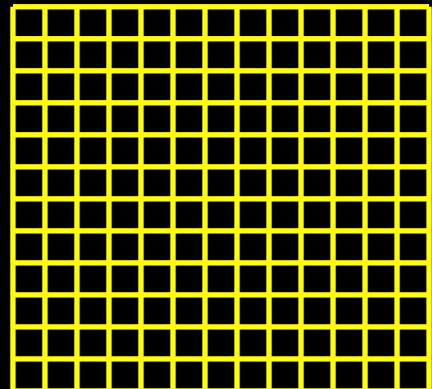
Isotropic Imaging



***How can we know whether
azimuthal anisotropy
is significant or not?***

Example of 2 D tomography (N cells)

Isotropic Inversion:

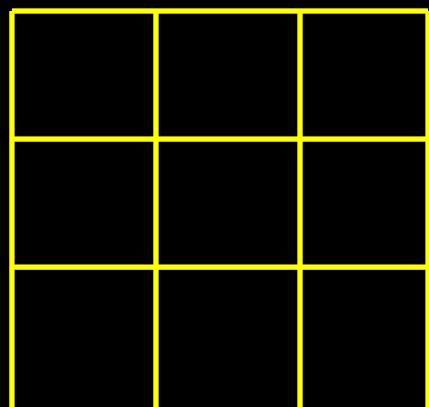


N independent parameters (1/cell)

0- Ψ term

Variance reduction: VR1

Anisotropic inversion



$3N' = N$ (3/cell)

(N' cells)

0+2 Ψ terms

Variance reduction: VR2

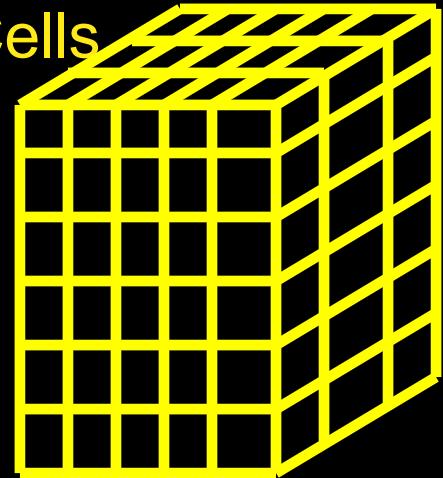
$VR2 > VR1 \Rightarrow$ the anisotropic model can
be simpler than the isotropic model

Parameter Space

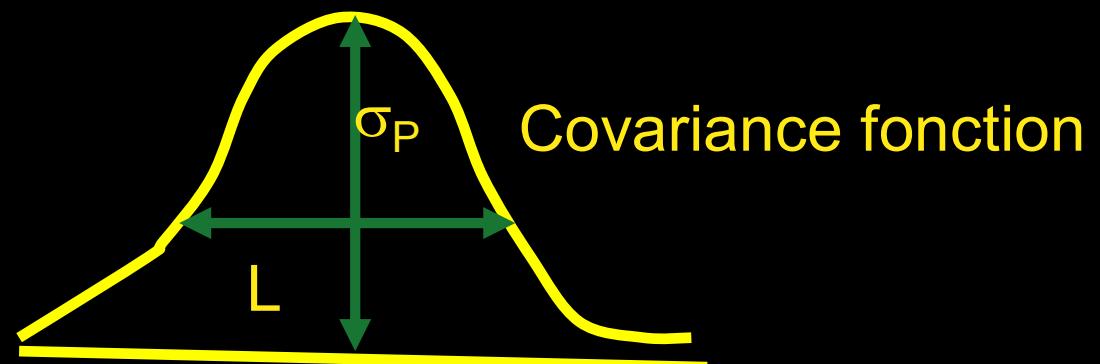
Physical parameters: $\rho + 13$ physical parameters

Geographical parameterization: $\mathbf{p}(r, \theta, \phi)$

- Cells



Continuous parameterization



- Spherical harmonic expansion



Global scale

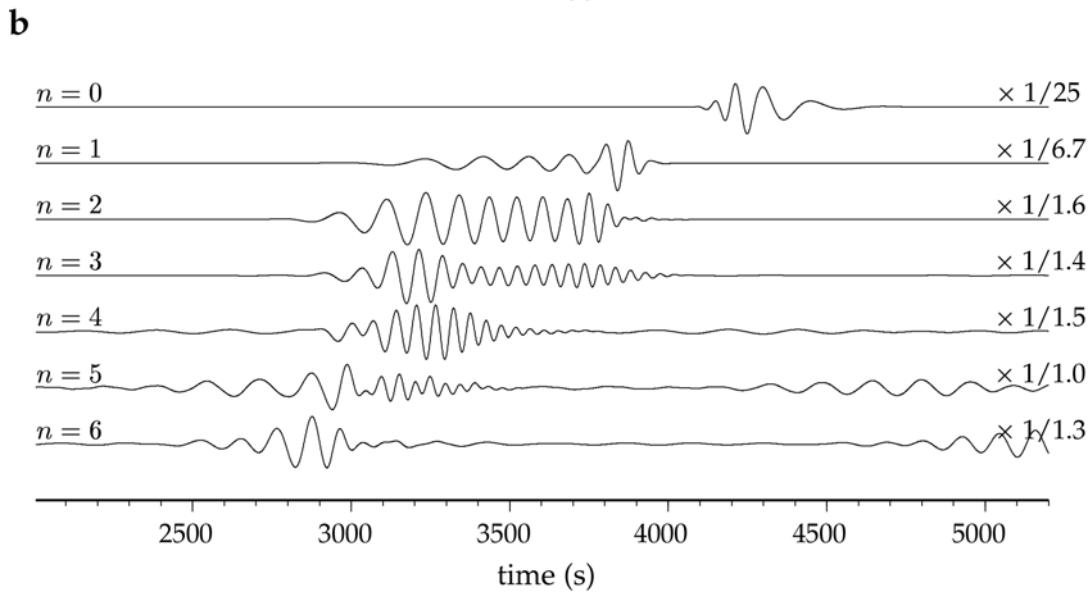
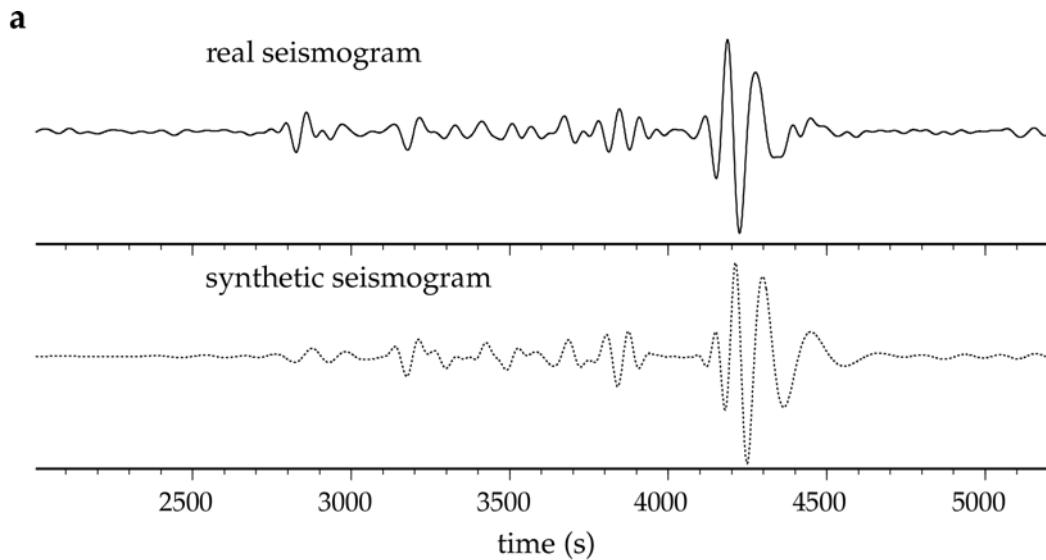
- Lateral resolution (global scale):

Hor 1000km, Rad 50km $\Rightarrow 500 * 60 * 14 \approx 420,000$ parameters

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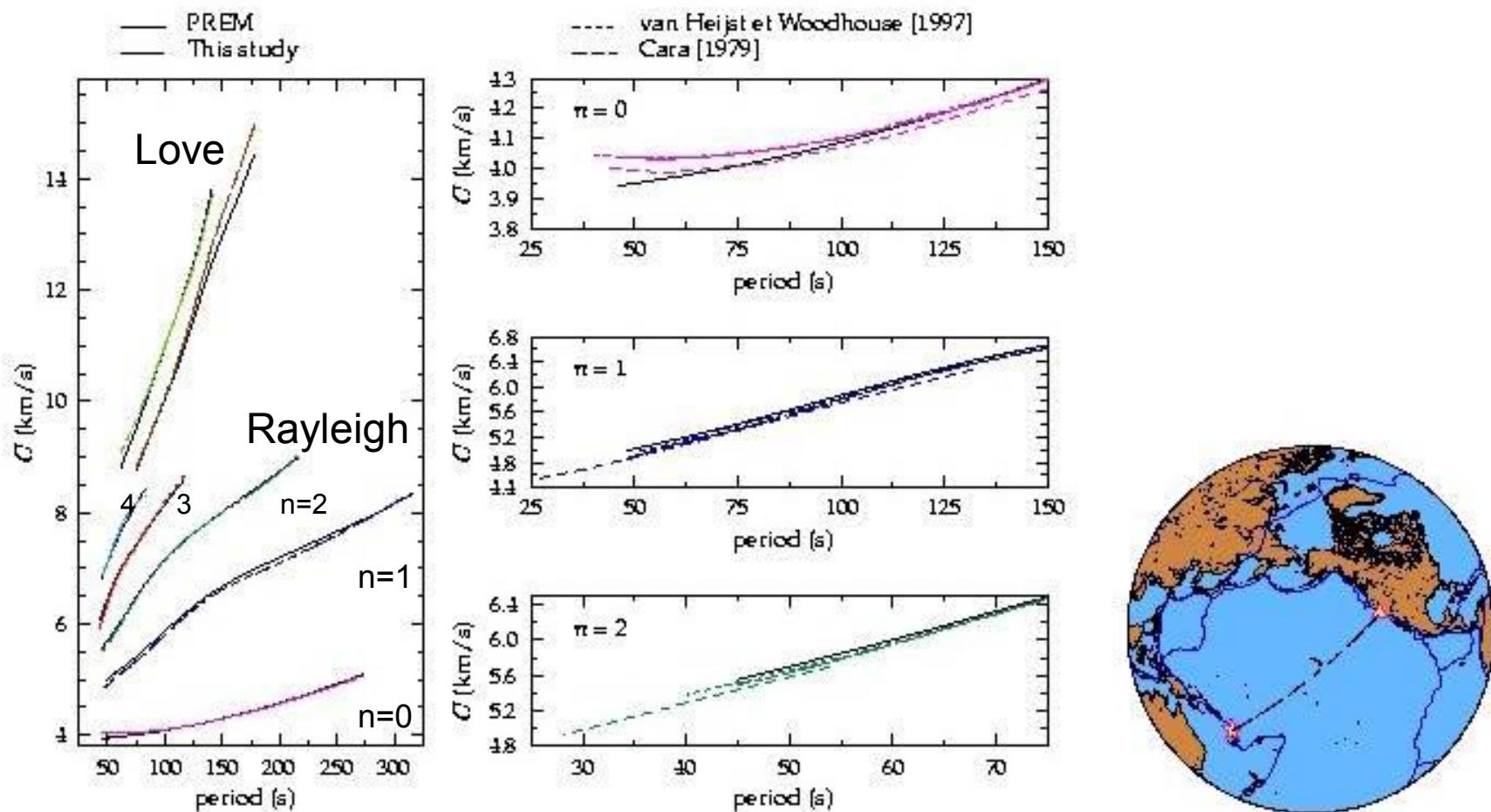
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Example of seismogram



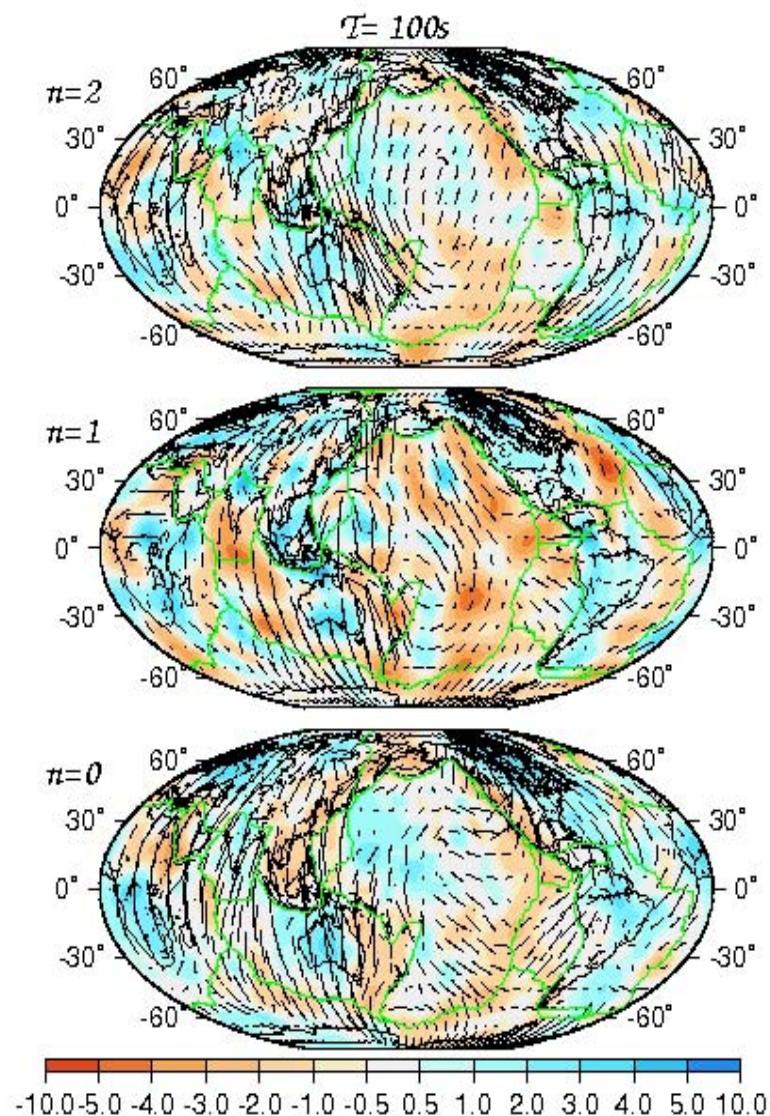
Beucler, 2003

1st step: Calculation of dispersion curves: Fundamental modes and higher modes $c_n^R(T)$, $c_n^L(T)$ (Beucler et al., 2003)



Comparison with previous results along the Vanuatu-California path.

2nd step: Regionalization



Phase velocity maps
At 100s

2nd overtone

1st overtone

Fundamental mode

Beucler and Montagner, 2006

Global Tomography

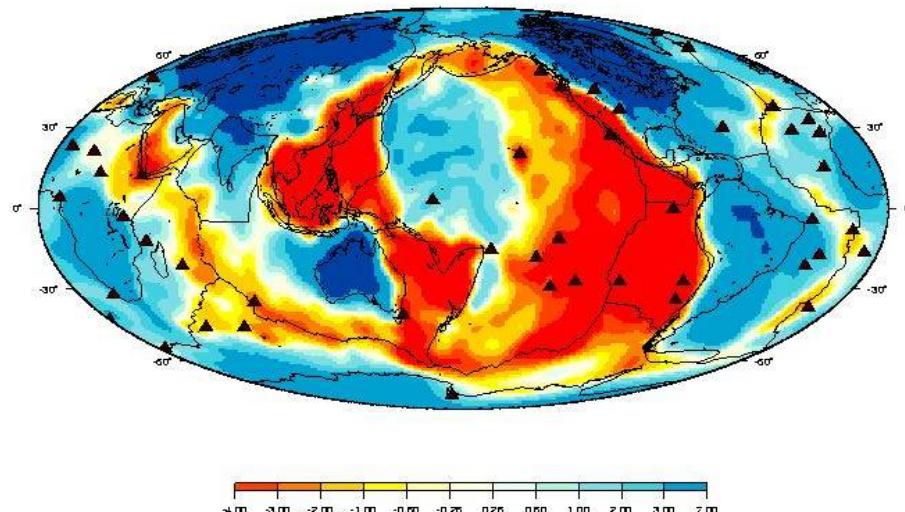
3rd step: inversion at depth

Scale $\Lambda \approx 2000\text{km}$ (degree 20)

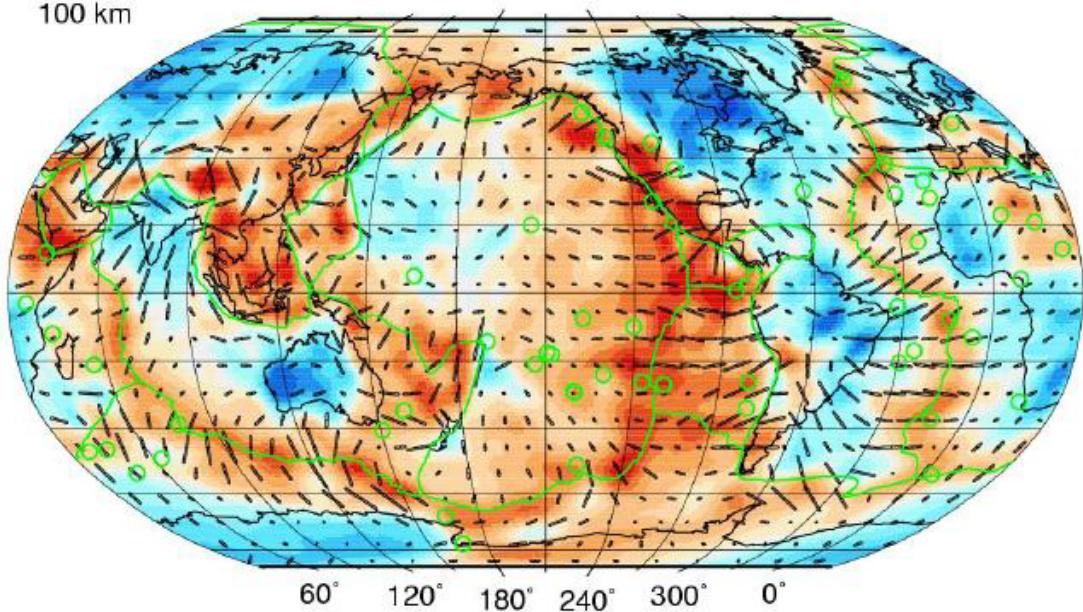
Seismic wavelength $\lambda \leq 500\text{km}$

→ Ray theory applies

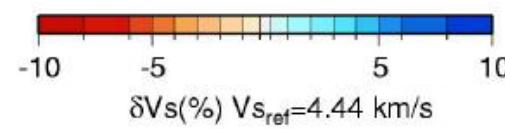
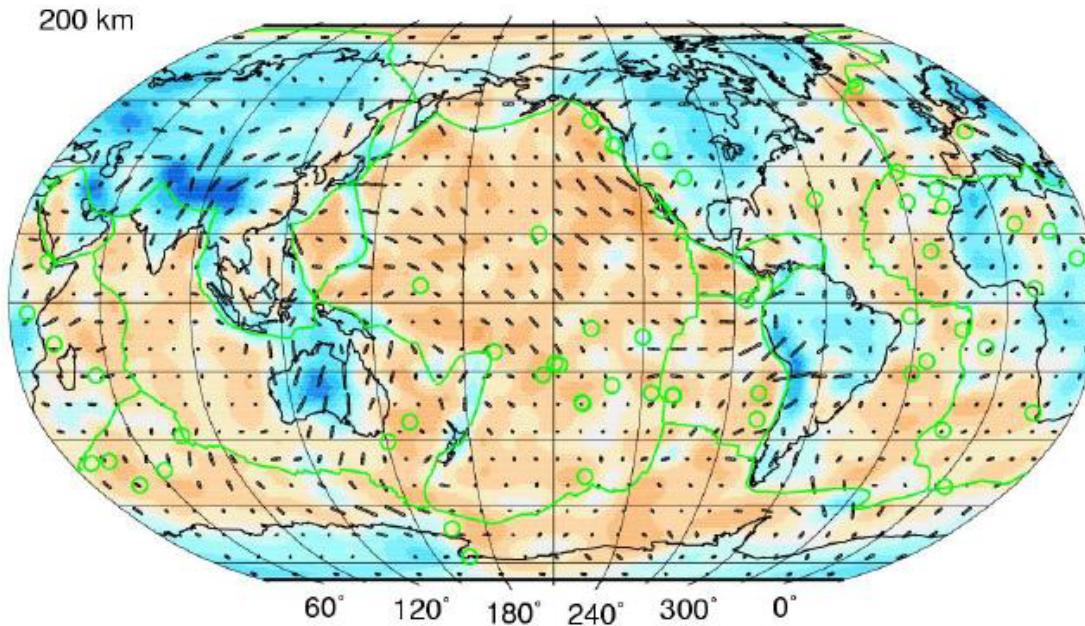
Shear wave velocities - depth = 100km



100 km

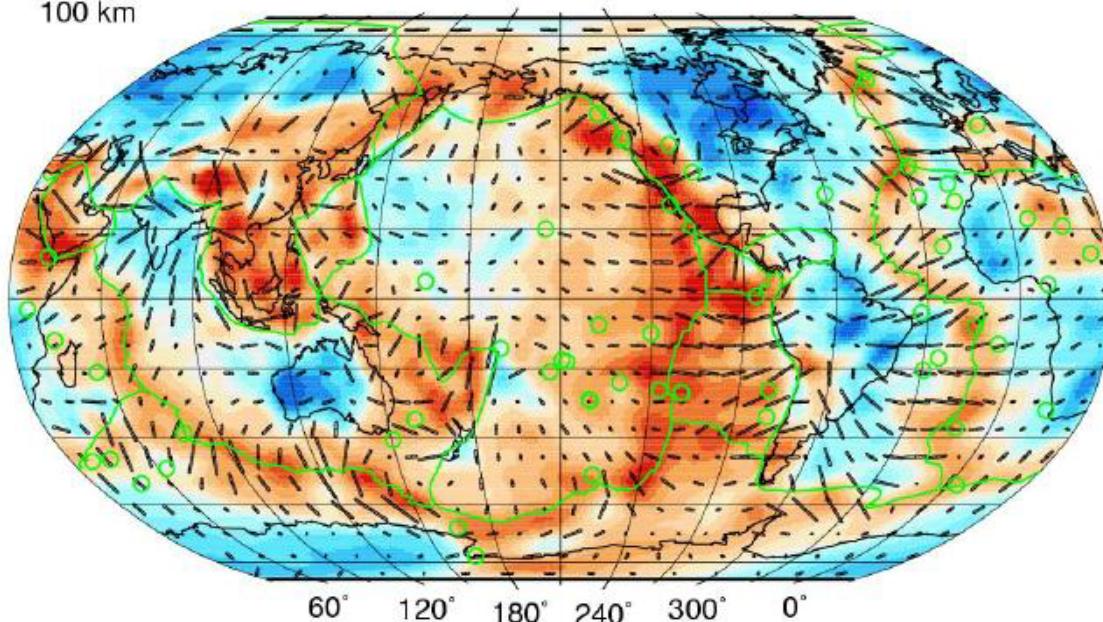


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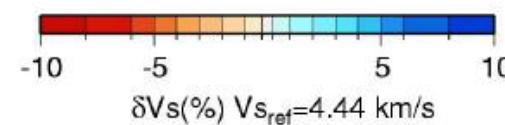
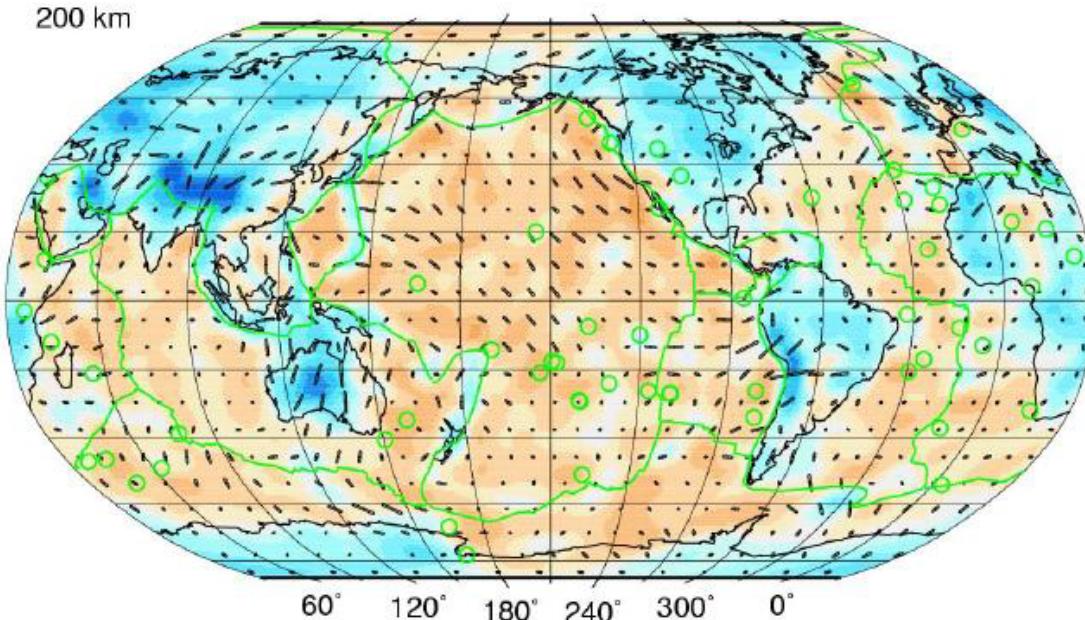


Debayle et al., 2005

100 km



200 km



Debayle et al., 2005

CAN WE NEGLECT SMALL-SCALE HETEROGENEITIES?

From Global scale

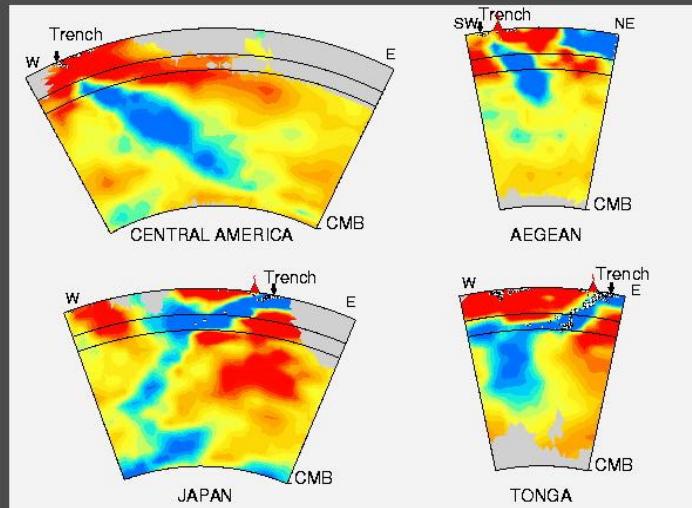
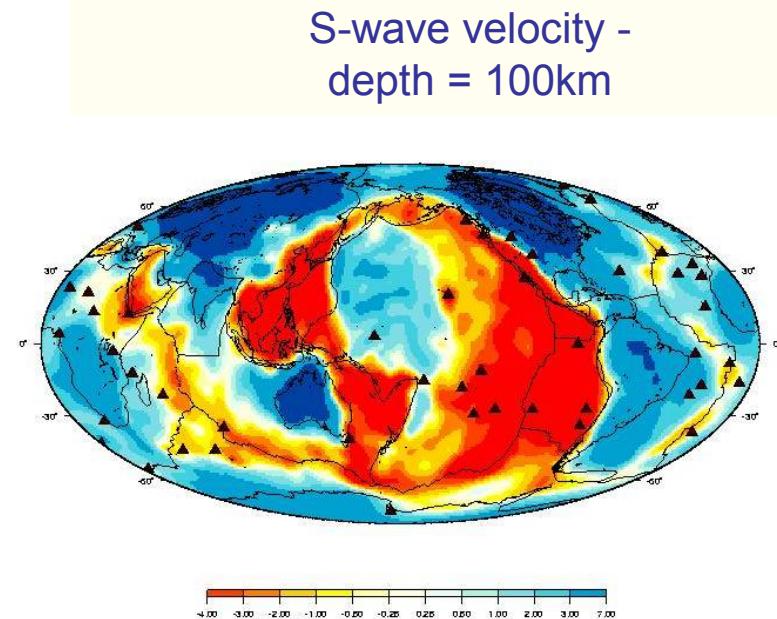
Scale $\Lambda > 1000\text{km}$

Seismic wavelength

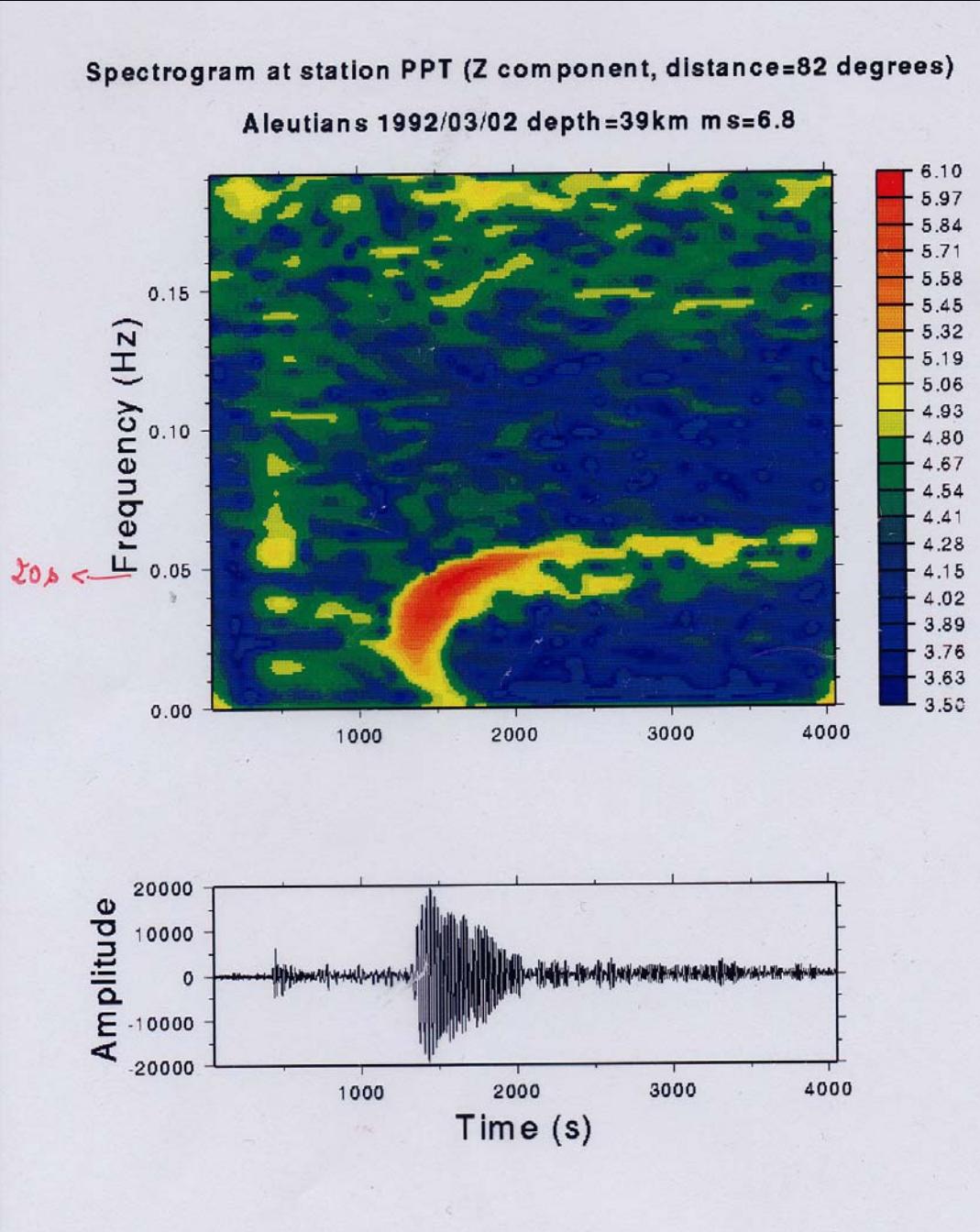
to Regional scale

$\Lambda \approx 100\text{km}$

$20\text{km} \leq \lambda \leq 500\text{km}$



Van der Hilst et al., 1998

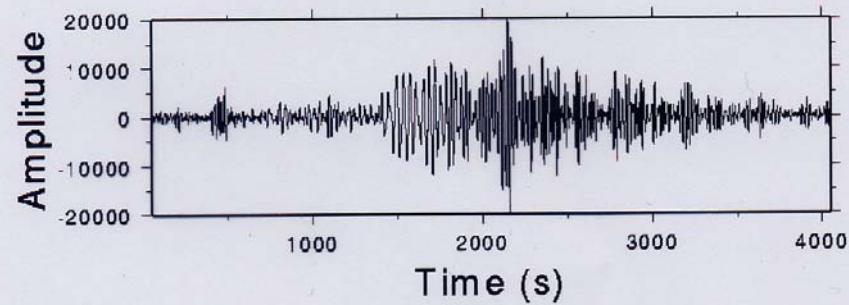
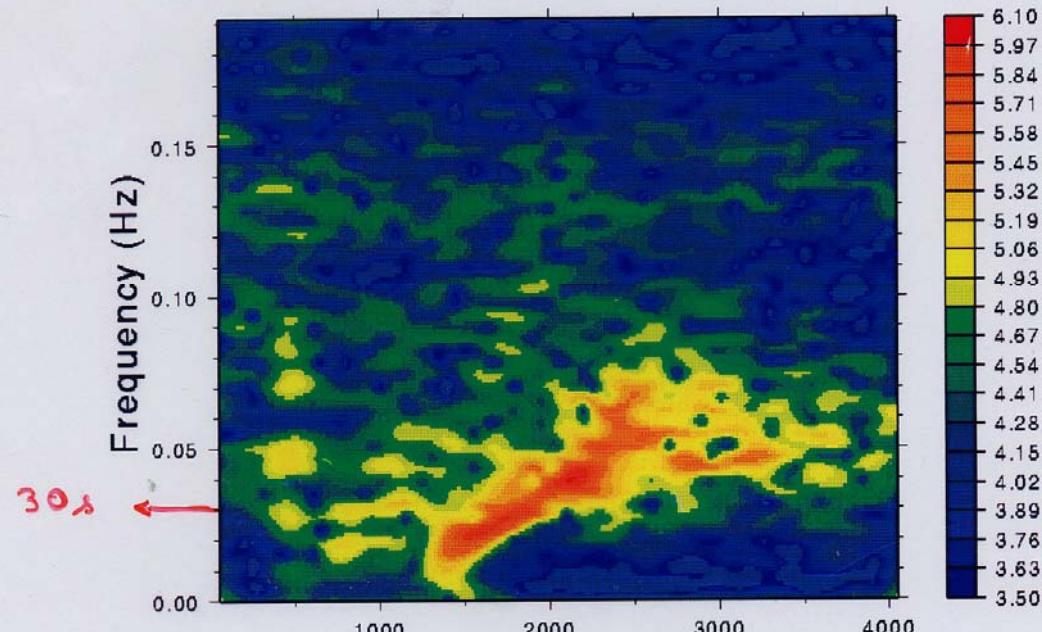


Oceanic
Path

simple
dispersion
Curve
Multiple scattering
For $T < 30s$

Spectrogram at station SSB (Z component, distance=80 degrees)

Aleutians 1992/03/02 depth=39km ms=6.8

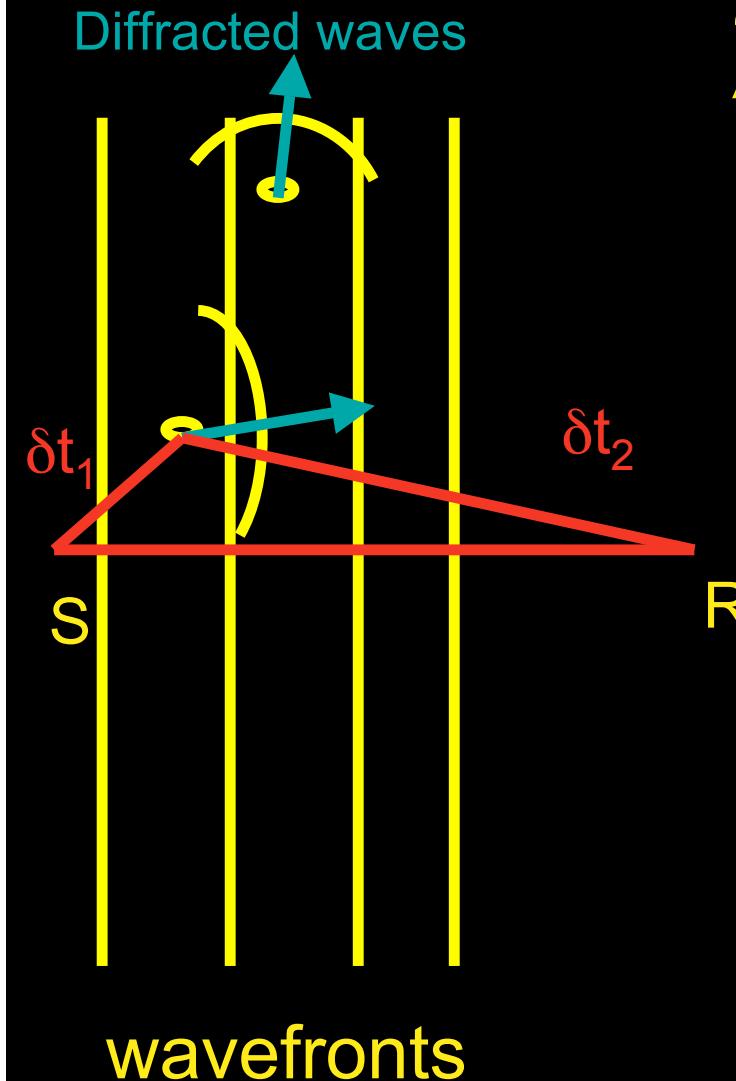


Continental
Path

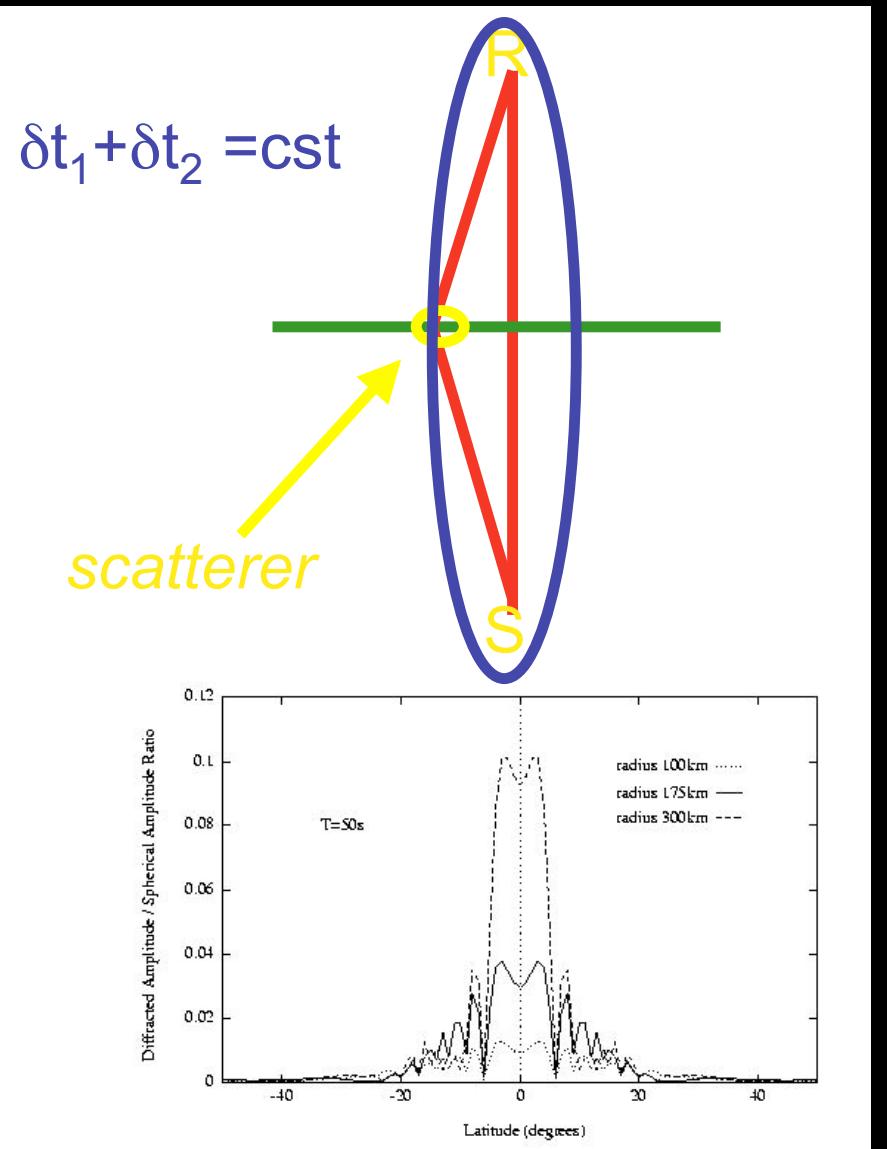
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For T<60s

Λ heterogeneity scale, λ wavelength

$\lambda \sim \Lambda$ or $\lambda \gg \Lambda$



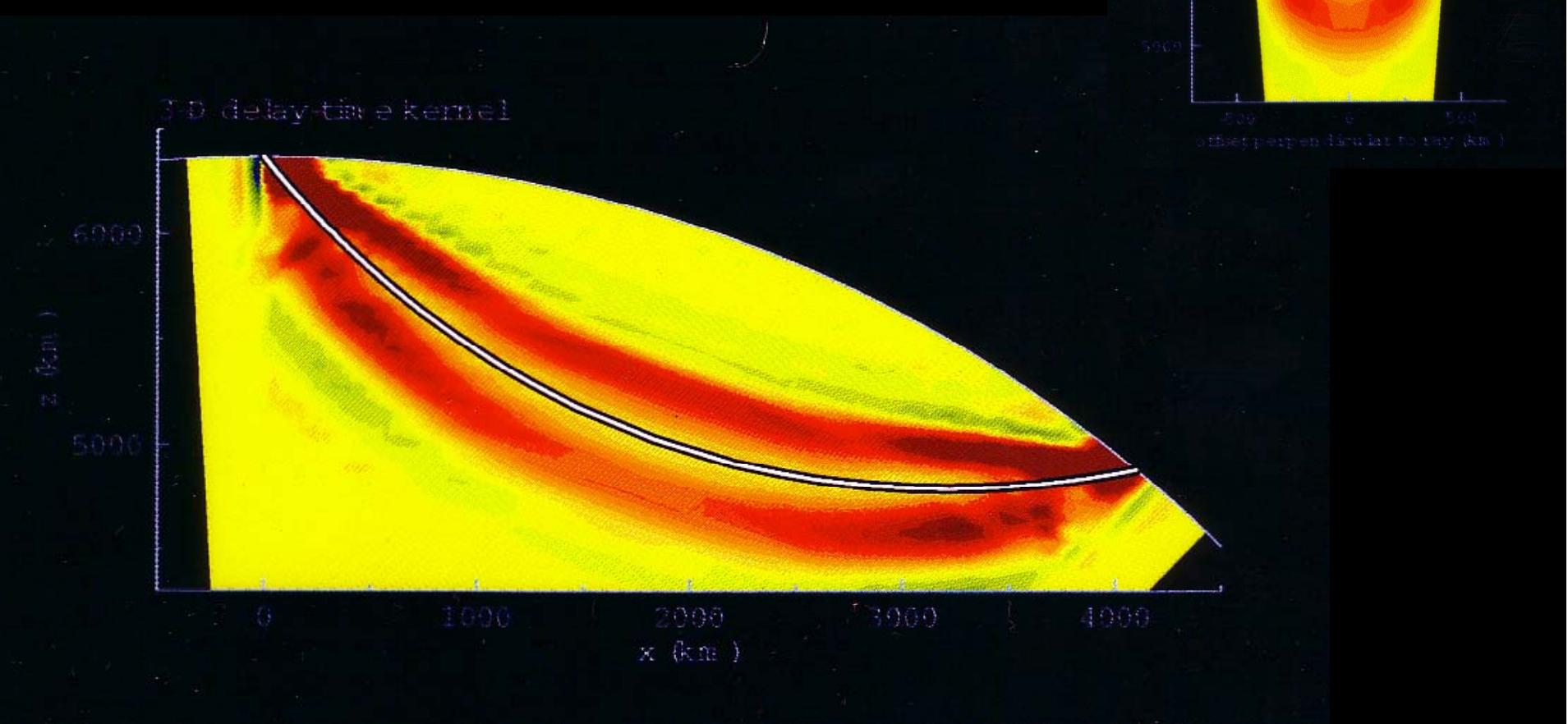
Capdeville et al., 2000



Sensitivity of the delay time to the local seismic velocity

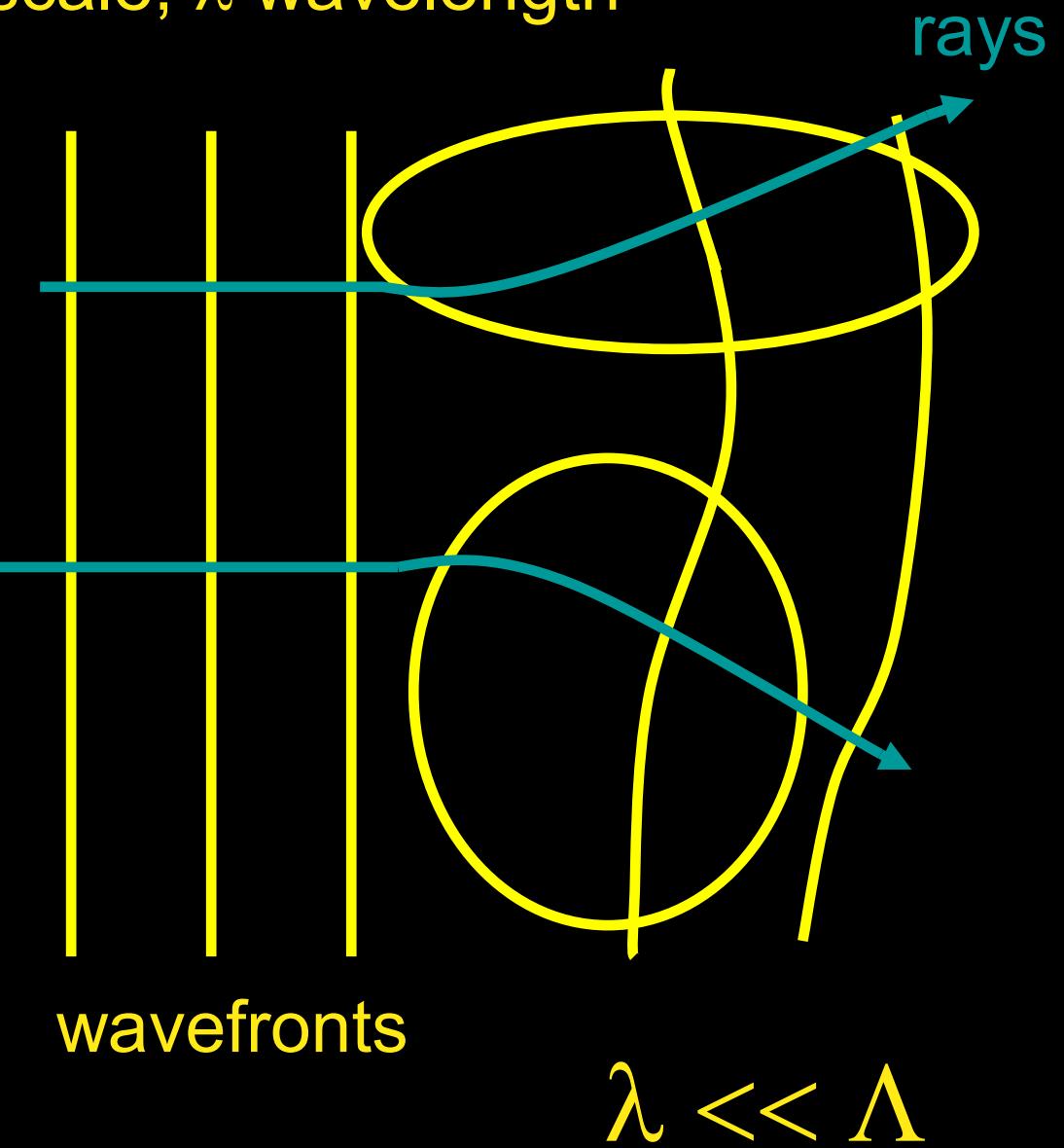
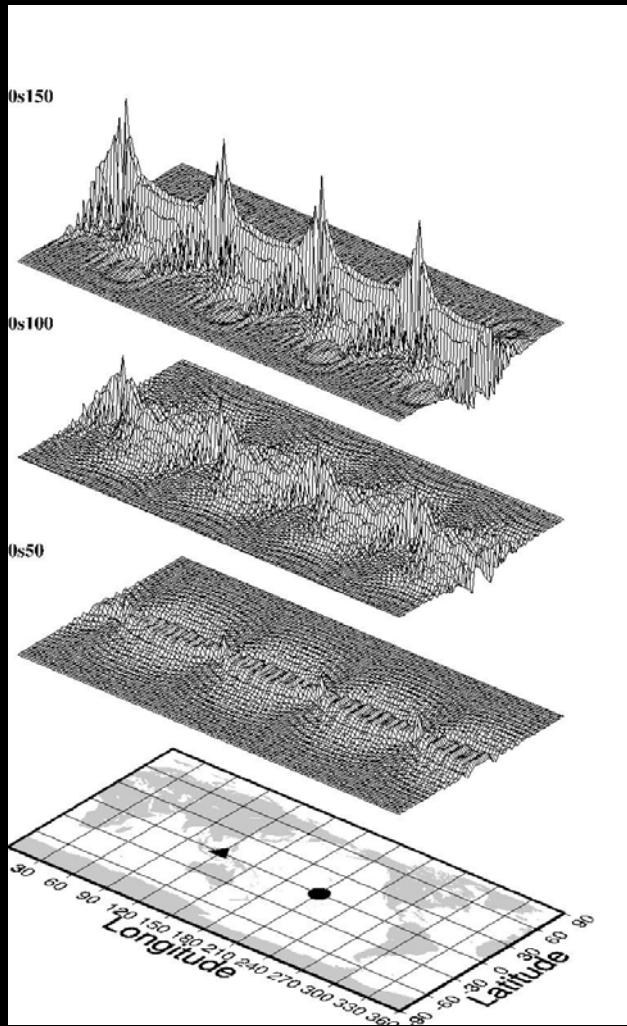


Princeton Group (G. Nolet)



Marquering et al., GJI 1998

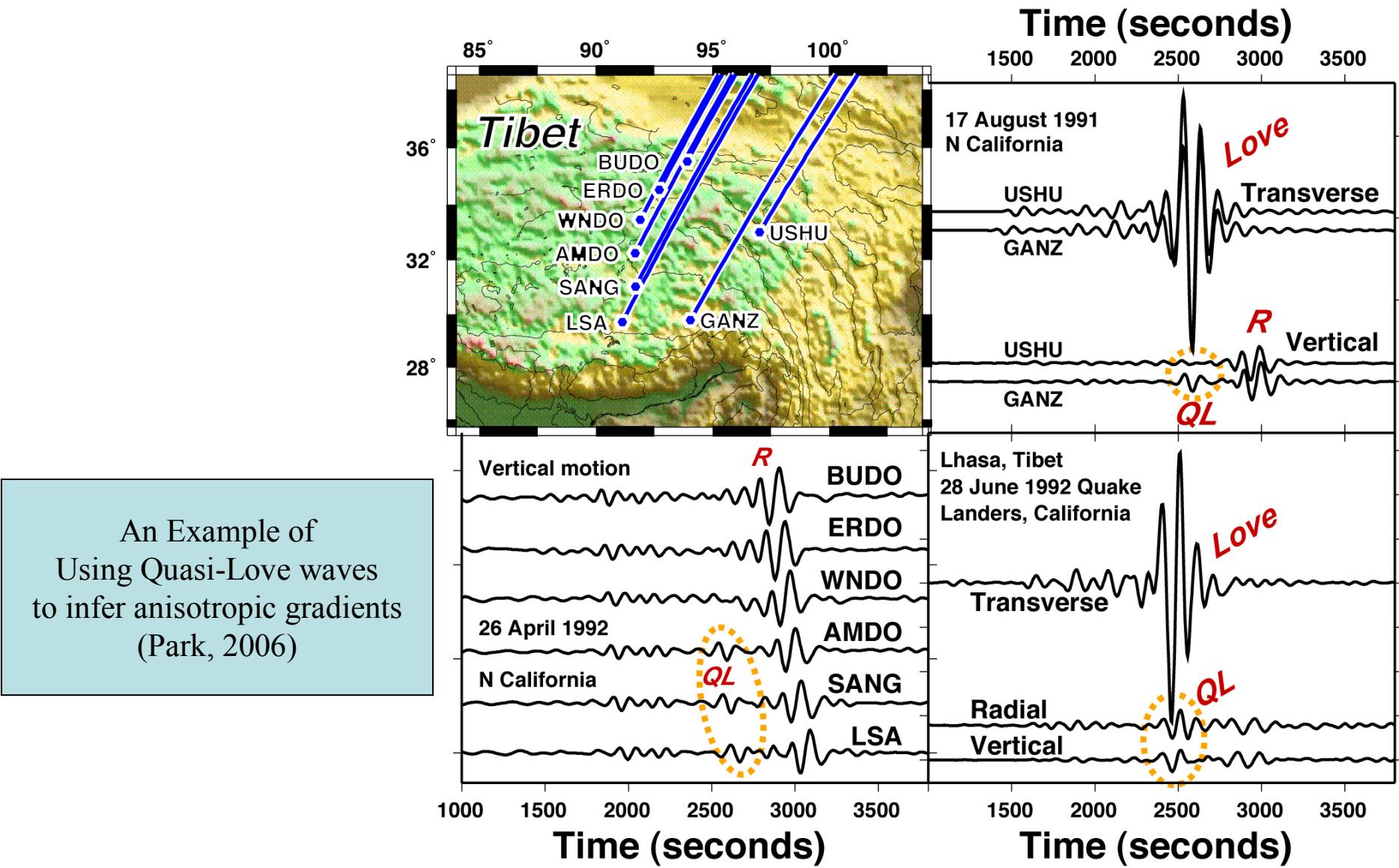
Λ heterogeneity scale, λ wavelength



Typical scales $\Lambda \approx 2,000\text{km}$, $\lambda \approx 500\text{km}$

Effects on amplitude?

- Surface wave tomography of mantle anisotropy is based on ray theory
- Finite frequency tomography has been tested to improve the imaging of the isotropic mantle
- How do finite frequency surface waves "sense" anisotropy ?
- Computational tool : Adjoint Spectral Element Method (ASEM) (Tromp et al., 2005)



Time Reversal- Adjoint Method

(Tarantola, 1984, Tromp et al., 2005):

Adjoint => Fréchet Derivatives

