

Towards a high-resolution v_s crustal velocity model for the Ivrea Geophysical Body: constraints from seismic ambient noise tomography

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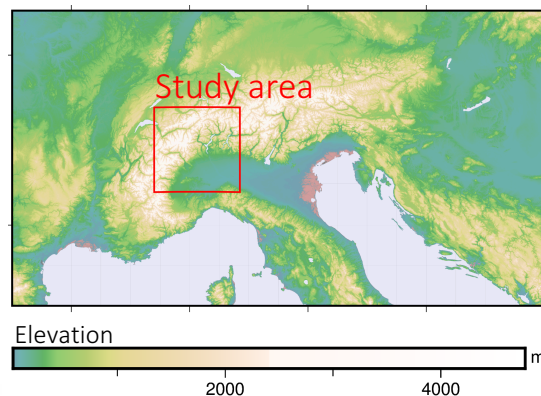
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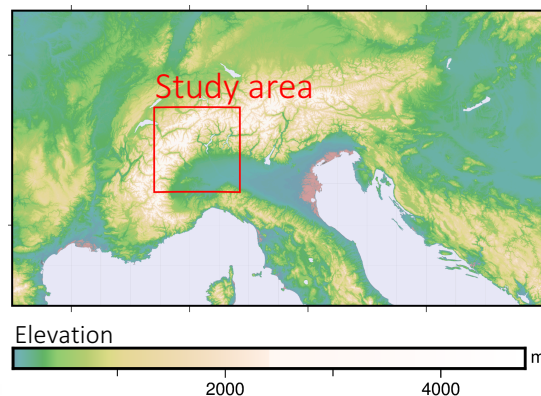
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ANT Workflow

1. Seismic ambient noise pre-processing
 2. Station-pair **cross-correlation (CC)**
 3. Surface Rayleigh wave dispersion measurement via **FTAN** analysis (fundamental mode / group speed)
 4. **2D surface** wave velocity maps at different periods (4s to 23s)
 5. Inversion for local 1D **v_s -depth** profiles
- Preliminary results*



Seismic stations

Networks:

XK (IA-IvreaArray, Mobnet pool of IGCAS Prague)

Z3 (AlpArray temporary)

IV GU

CH MN YP



DIVE Balmuccia drilling site



Periadriatic Line

Adriatic side

Adria lower crust | Ivrea-Verbano Zone (IVZ)

Adria upper crust

Adria Mesozoic

European margin

Helvetic Nappes

European basement

European upper crust

High-pressure Subpenninic Units

Other units

Valaisan oceanic domain

Briançonnais micro-continent

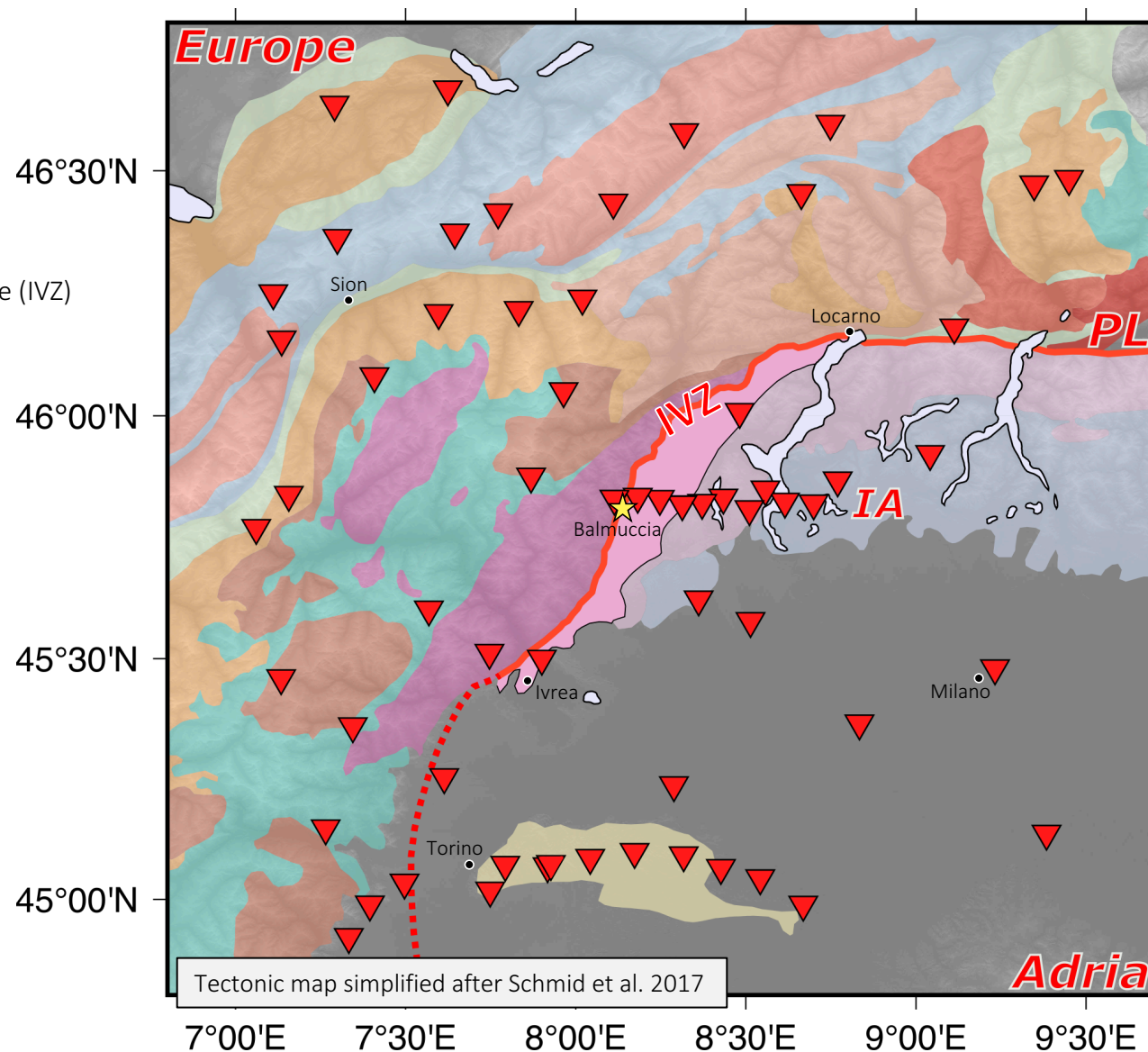
Sesia, Dent Blanche

Piedmont-Liguria Ocean

Cenozoic plutons

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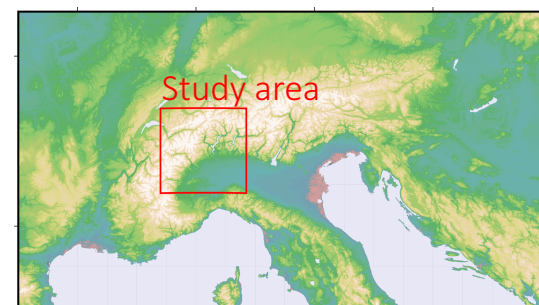
Data



Up to 9/12 months of broadband summer data (June to September) across 2+ years of recording

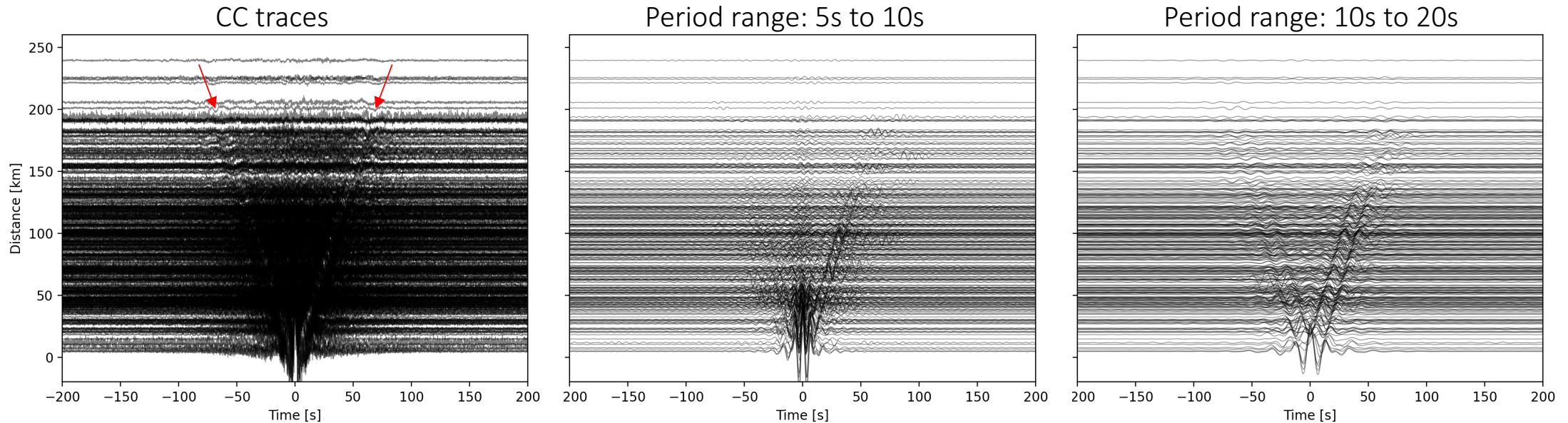
Homogeneous pre-processing:

- Pre-filtering
- Instrument response removal
- Amplitude normalization
- Spectral whitening



Seismic ambient noise cross-correlation (CC)

Subset of the data (ca. 300 out of 1400 traces)



CC traces:

- 10Hz sampling rate
- Max lag: 480s
- Length of the correlated segments: 3600s
- Overlap: 0.5

MSNoise package (Lecocq et al. 2014)

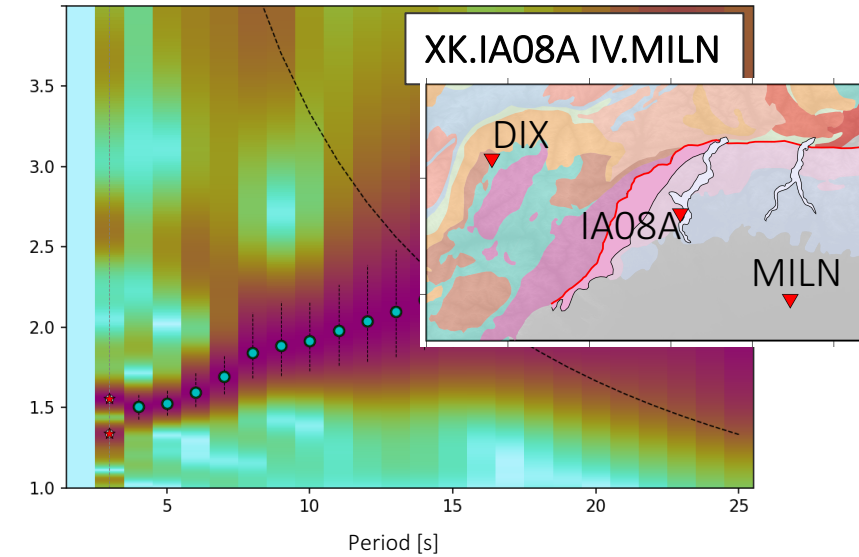
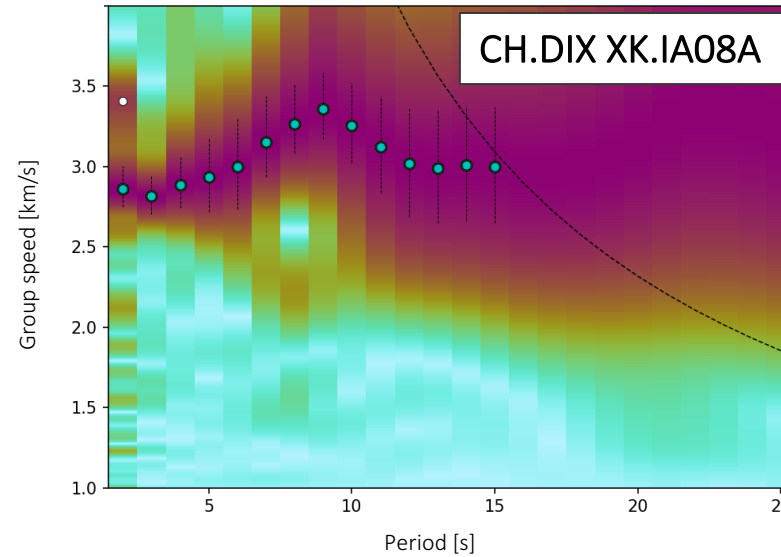
CC traces -> Input for dispersion measurement of surface Rayleigh waves (group speed / fundamental mode)

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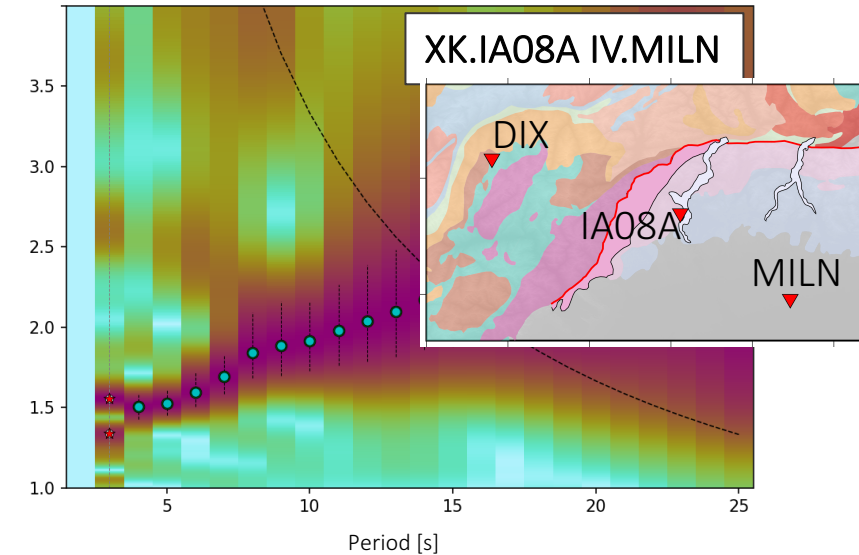
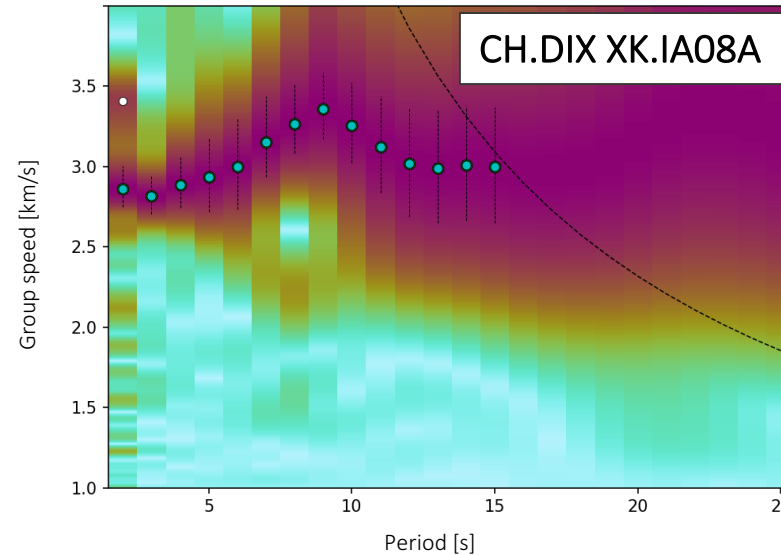


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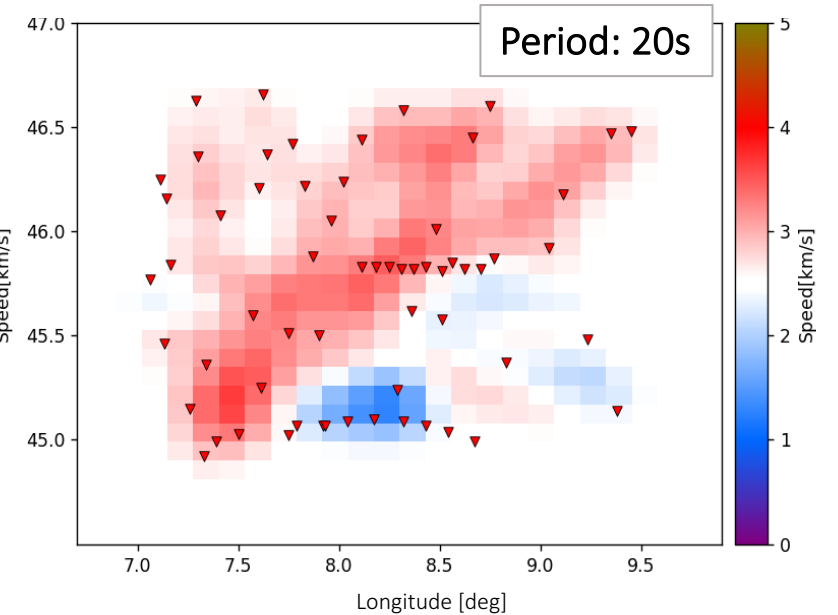
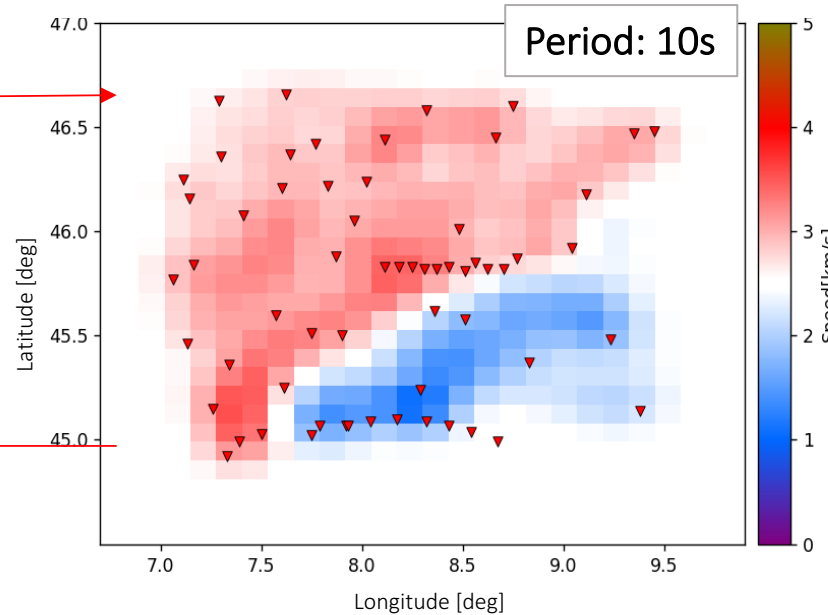
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2D surface group velocity maps via fast-marching surface tomography (FMST, Rawlinson, 2005)

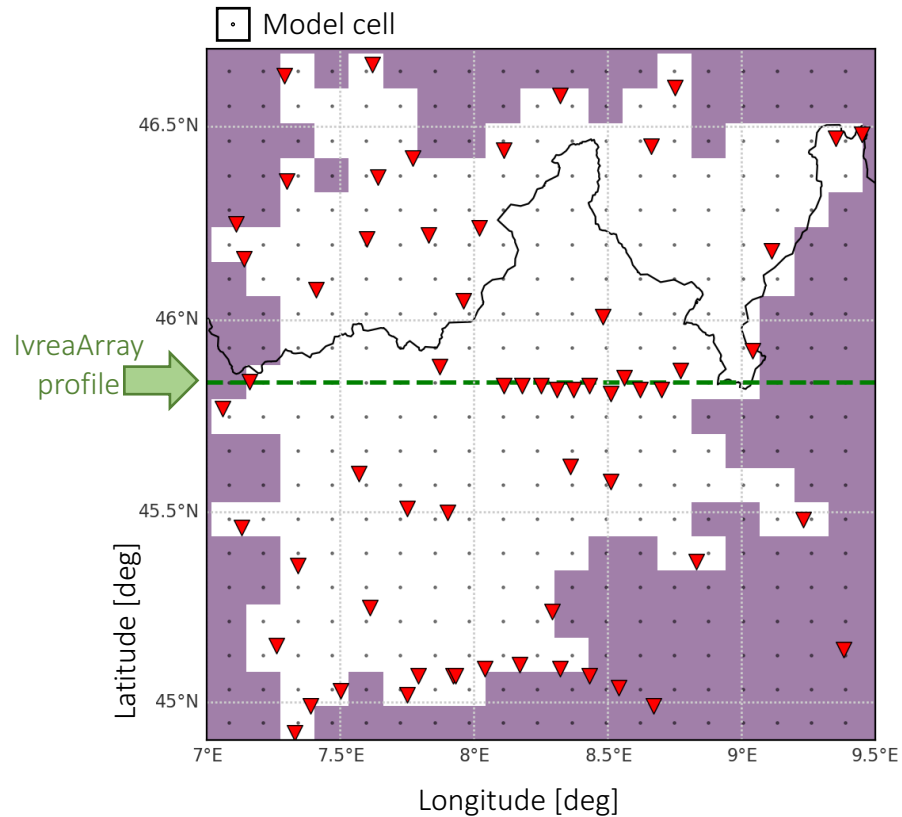
2D maps (one for each period) -> input for local 1D v_s -depth inversion



Preliminary results

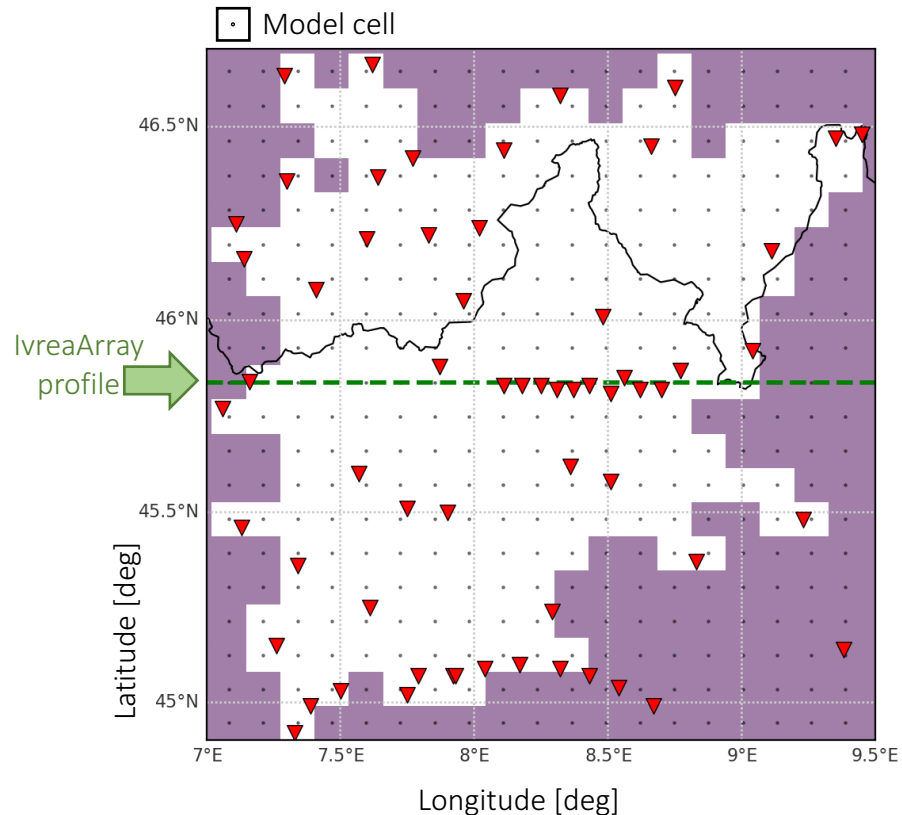
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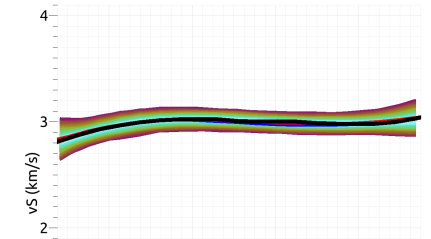
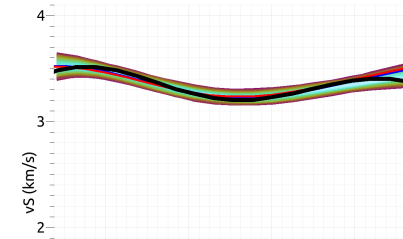
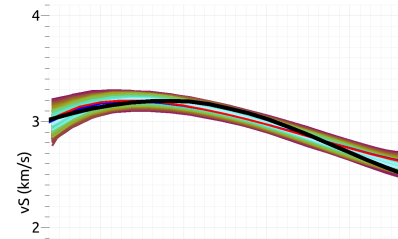
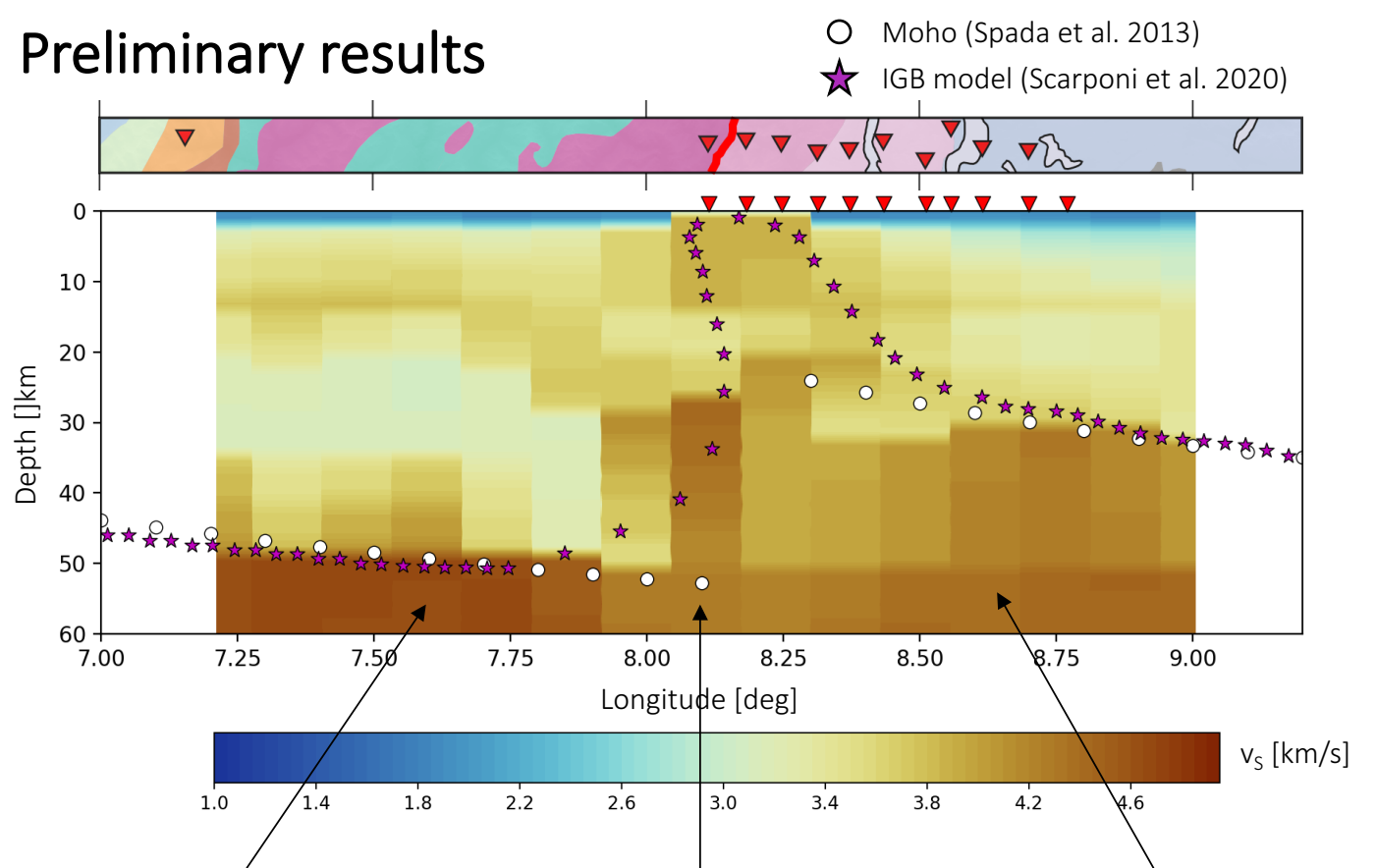


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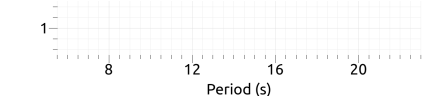
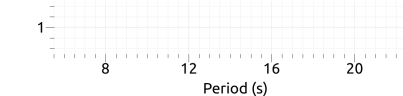
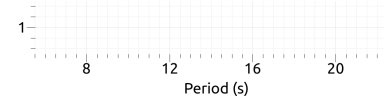
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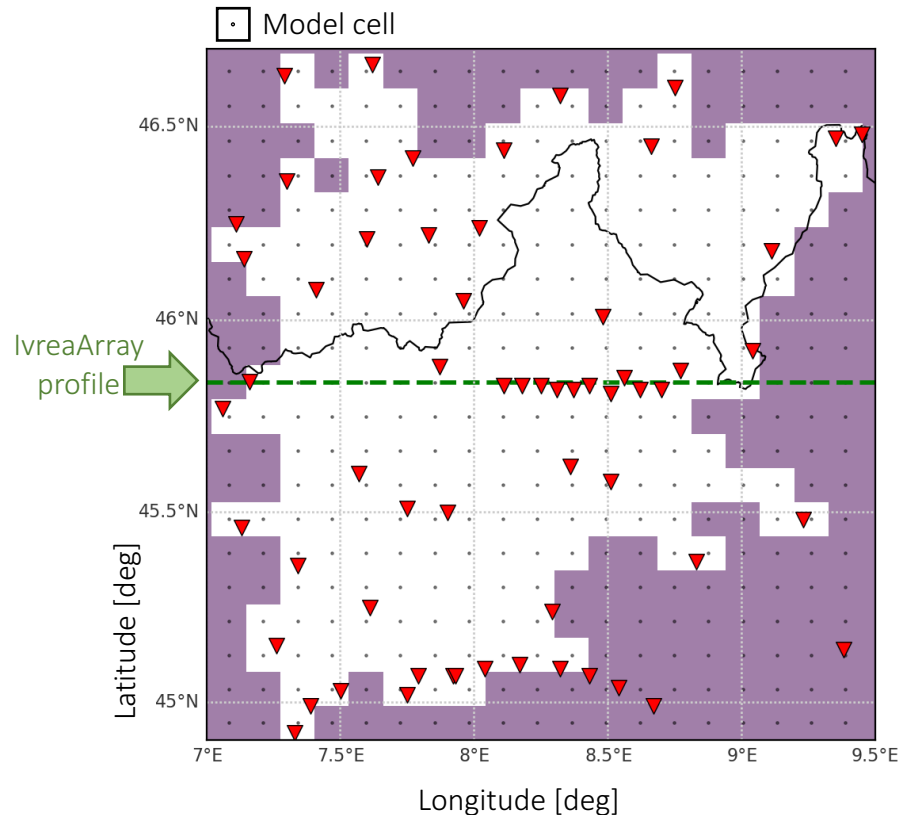


Observed local dispersion curves (black line) vs. average (red and blue lines) vs. best 10% (other)



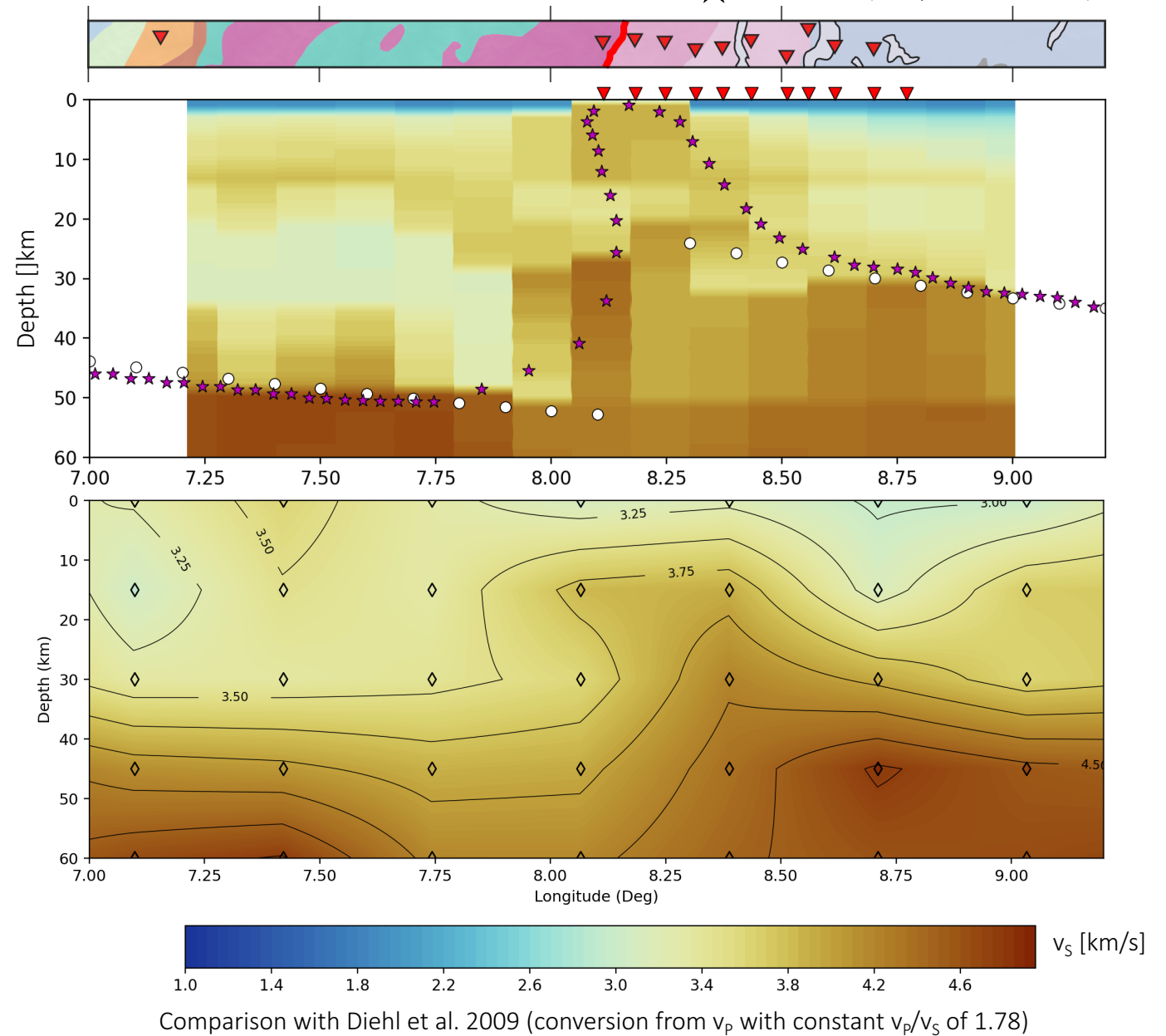
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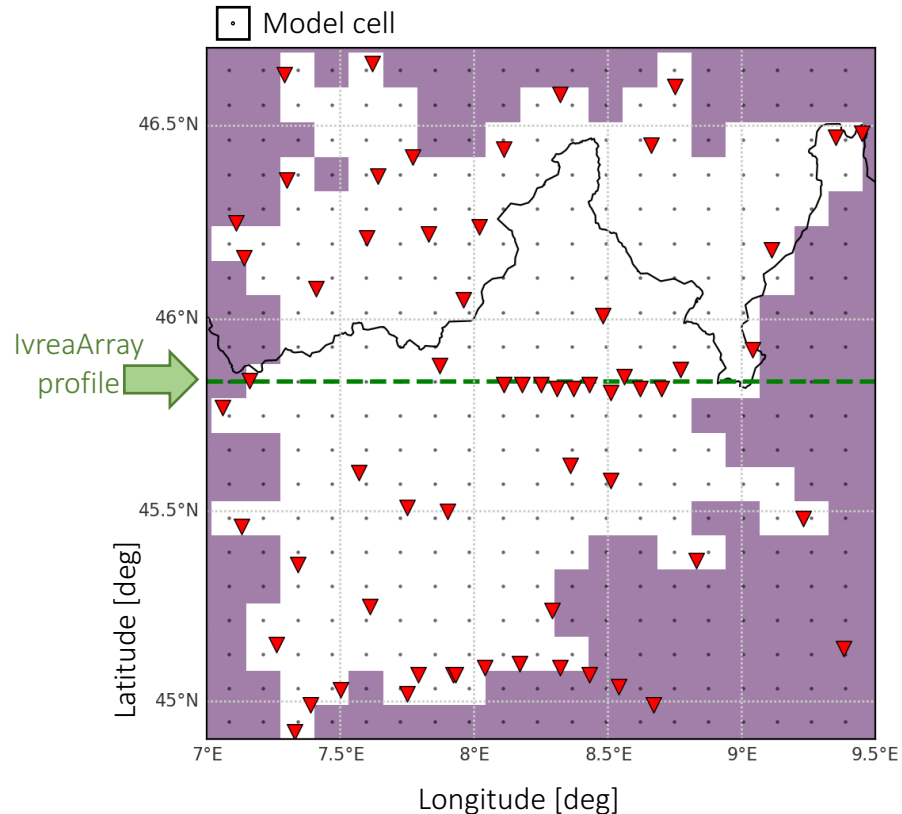
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- Moho (Spada et al. 2013)
- ★ IGB model (Scarponi et al. 2020)

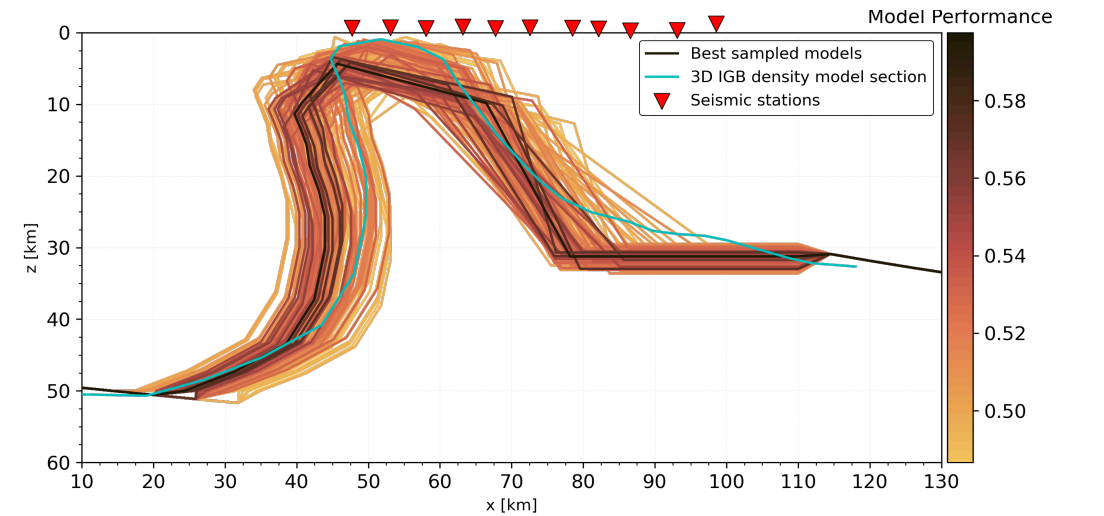
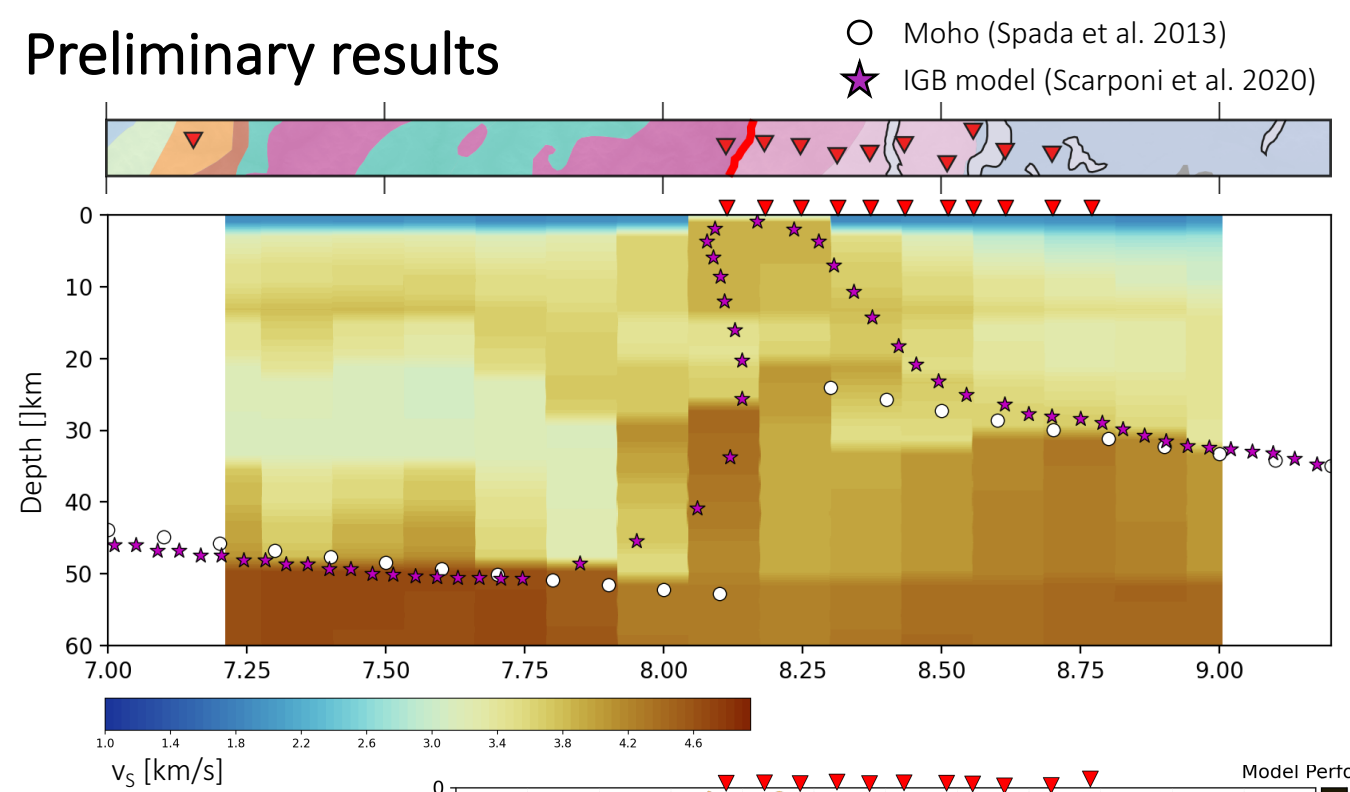


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Comparison with Scarponi et al. 2021 (Receiver functions + gravity joint inversion)

Current status

Preliminary conclusions

- ANT images the IGB at very shallow depths
- Agreement with previous gravity and joint RF + gravity modelling (Scarponi et al. 2020, 2021)
- Agreement with LET (Diehl et al. 2009), with IGB detected at even shallower depths
- Moho depth coherent in the Europe and Adria plates with respect to LET

Future steps

- Evaluate a priori constraints to improve parameterization for v_s
- Consider including longer periods (i.e. higher sensitivity in the lower crust)

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