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- 1. Ancient Languages and Writing**
- 2. Disaster Preparedness and Mitigation**
- 3. Seismic Subsurface Mapping**

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Palace of Darius at Susa, Persia

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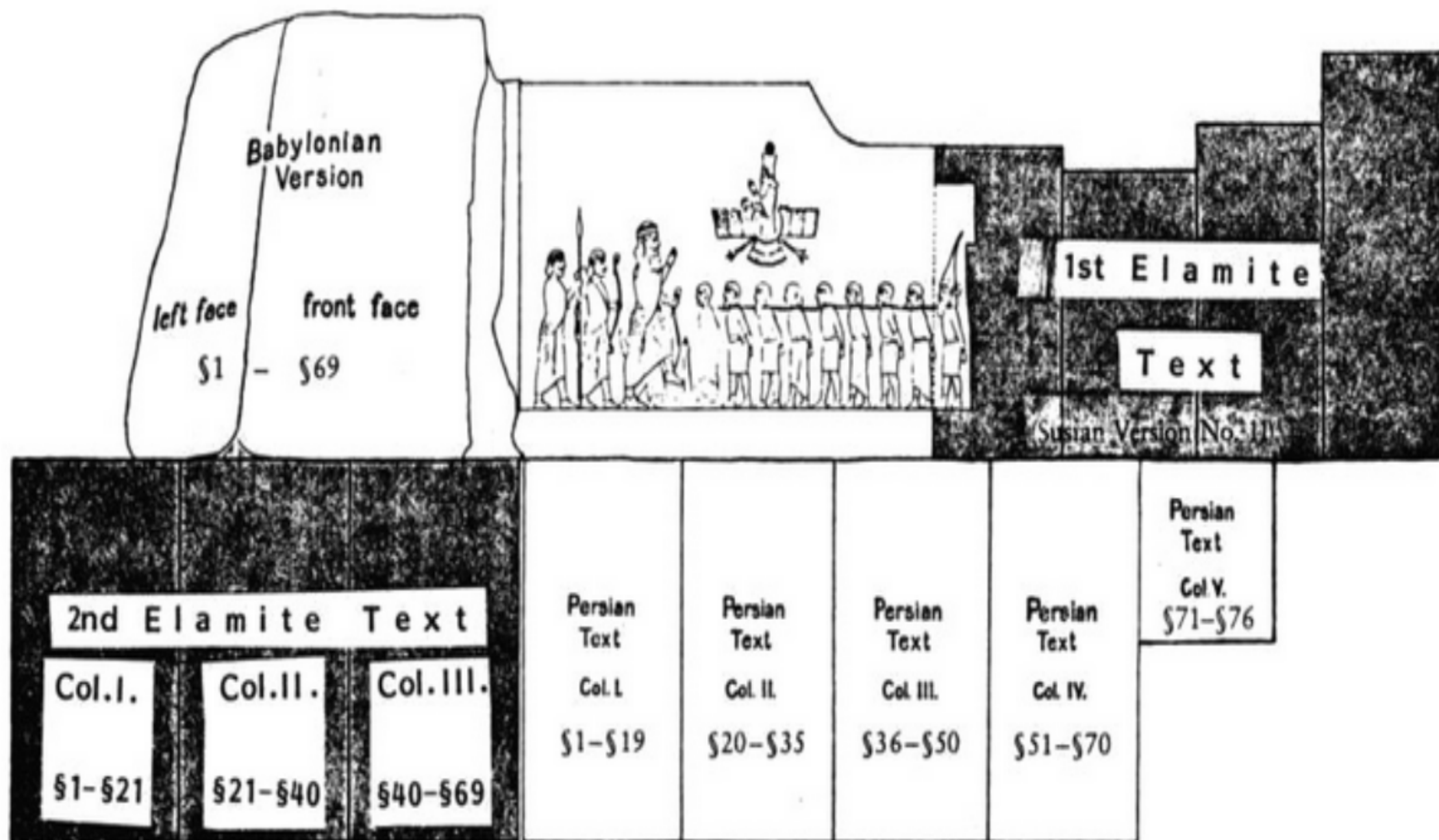


1. Ancient Languages and Writing

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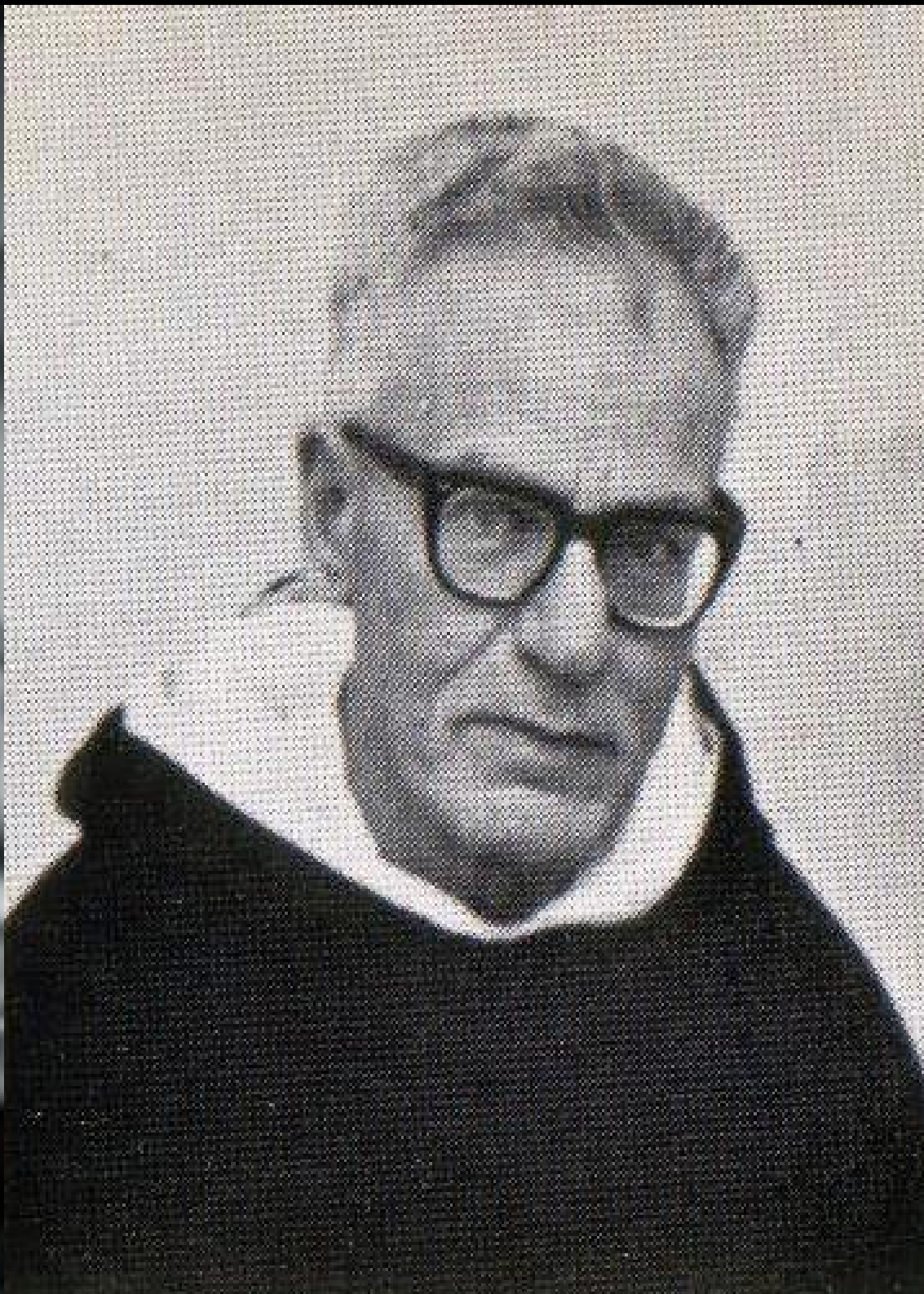


The positions of the Old Persian, Elamite, and Babylonian versions of the major trilingual inscription DB on the rock at Bīsotūn. Source: King and Thompson, pl. VI; corrected by Borger, fig. 2; adapted by R. Schmitt

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This image shows a close-up of a manuscript page, likely from a 15th-century book. The text is written in a dense, handwritten Gothic script. The ink is dark, and the parchment appears aged and slightly discolored. The text is arranged in several lines, with some words being larger and more prominent than others, possibly indicating a title or a section heading. The overall appearance is that of a historical document, possibly a letter or a page from a larger work.

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2. Disaster Preparedness and Mitigation

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2011. The Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Disaster



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2010, Deepwater Horizon Drilling Rig at Macondo Prospect

Inextinguishable Fire, Sinking two days later, leaving the well gushing at the seabed.



1986. Chernobyl Nuclear Disaster

Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Soviet Union

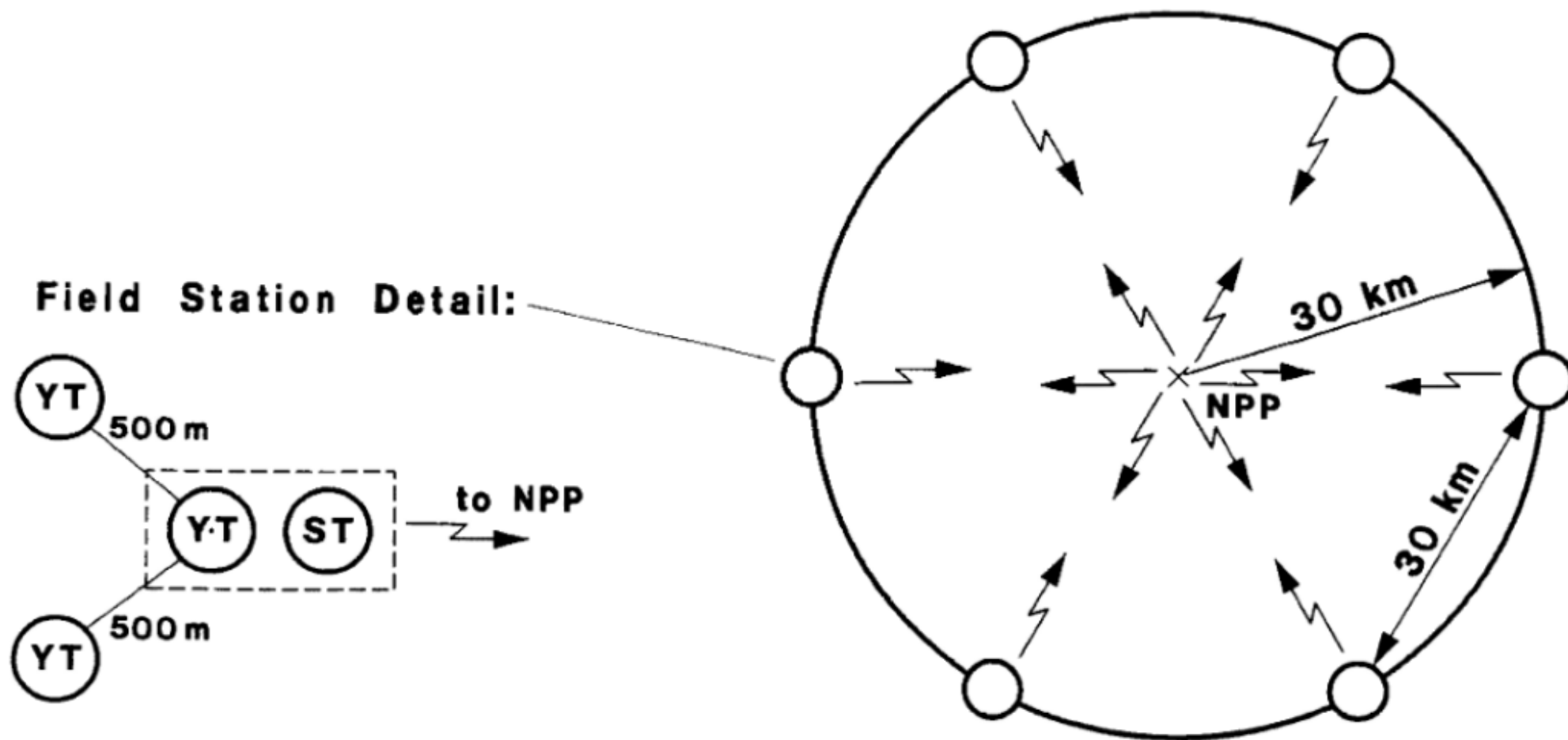
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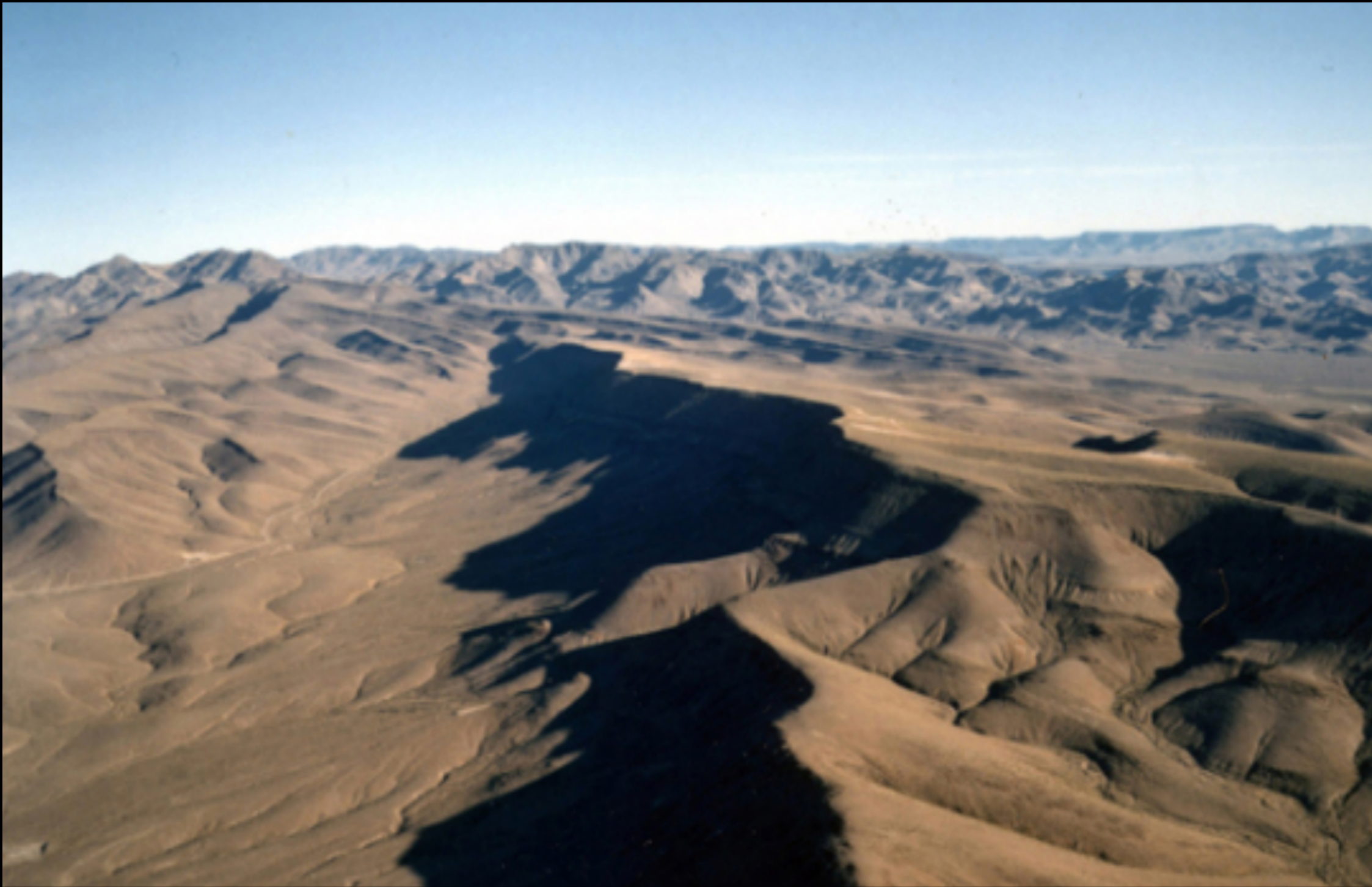
Ignalina Nuclear Power Plant

Similar to Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant

2004, 2009 Closed two-unit RBMK-1500 Reactors



Ignalina Nuclear Station Earthquake Early Warning



The Yucca Mountain Nuclear Waste Repository



The Yucca Mountain Nuclear Waste Repository



Hanford Radioactive Containment Site

Hanford site represents two-thirds of the nation's high level radioactive waste by volume



Hanford Radioactive Containment Site



Waste Isolation Pilot Plant, New Mexico, United States
Radioactive Containment Casks arriving at WIPP



Waste Isolation Pilot Plant

Radioactive Waste is placed in Rooms Underground



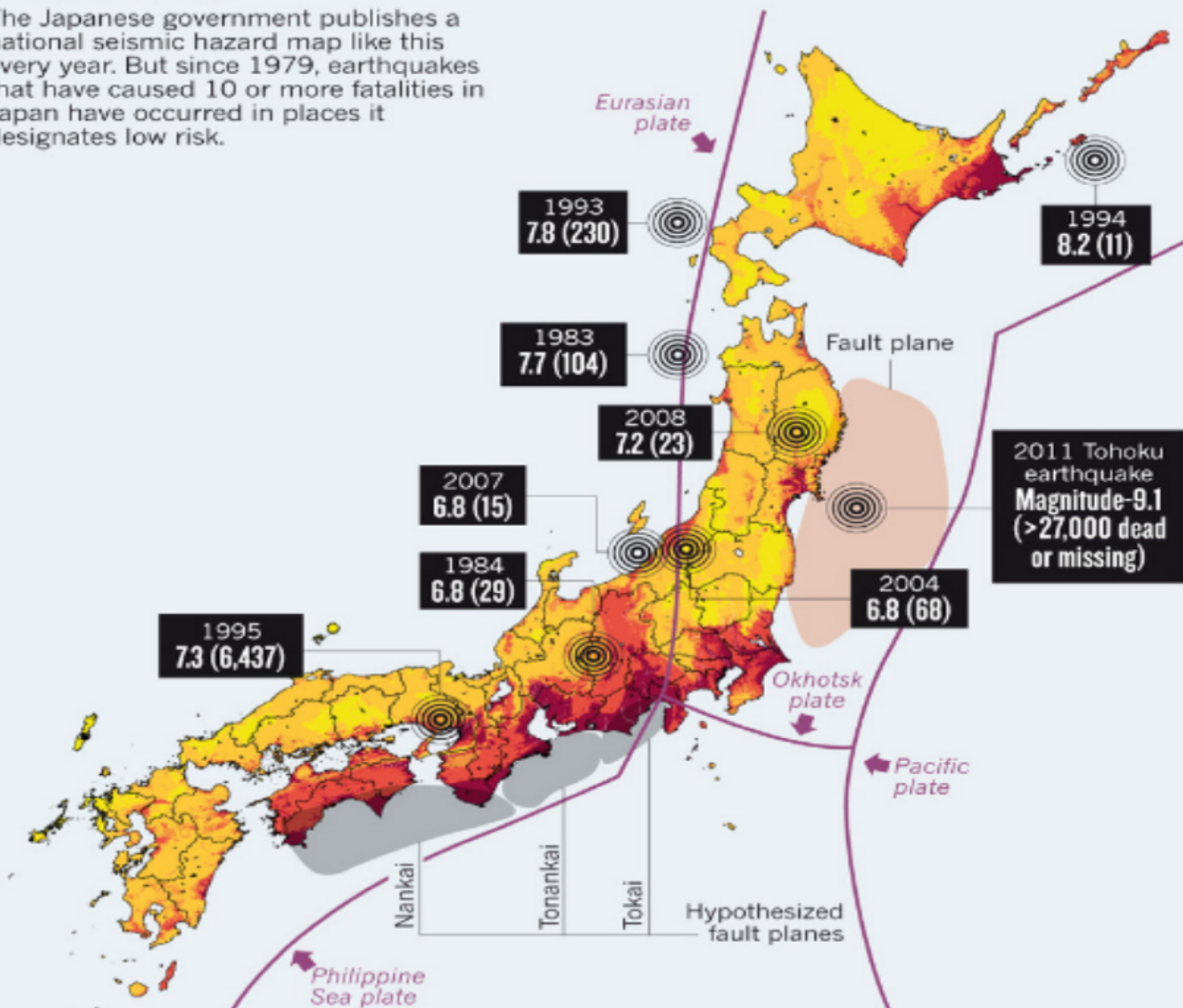
Waste Isolation Pilot Plant, New Mexico, United States

2014. Radioactive Leaks from Damaged Storage Drum

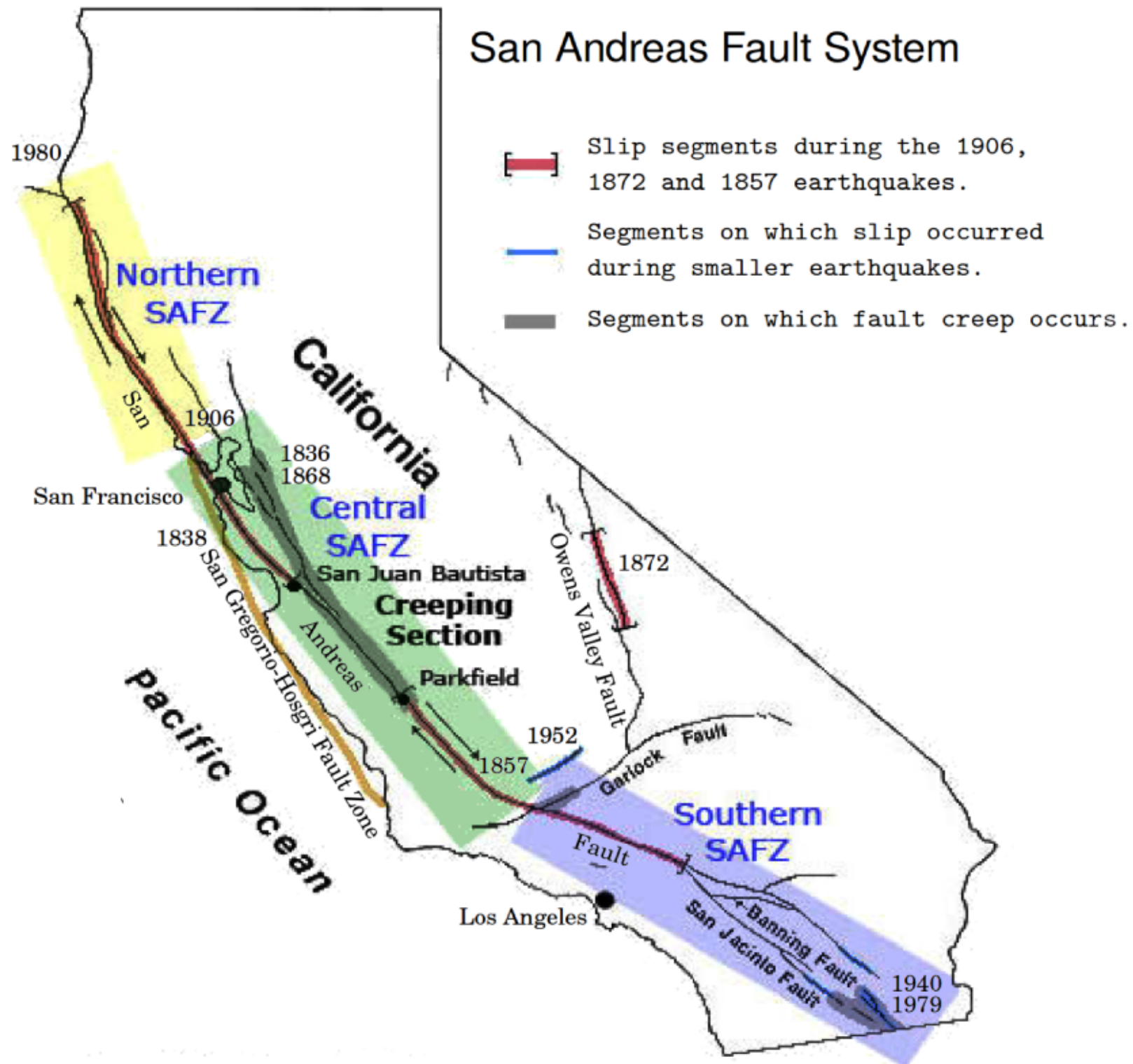
Waste Explosion, Airborne Release of Radiological Material

REALITY CHECK

The Japanese government publishes a national seismic hazard map like this every year. But since 1979, earthquakes that have caused 10 or more fatalities in Japan have occurred in places it designates low risk.

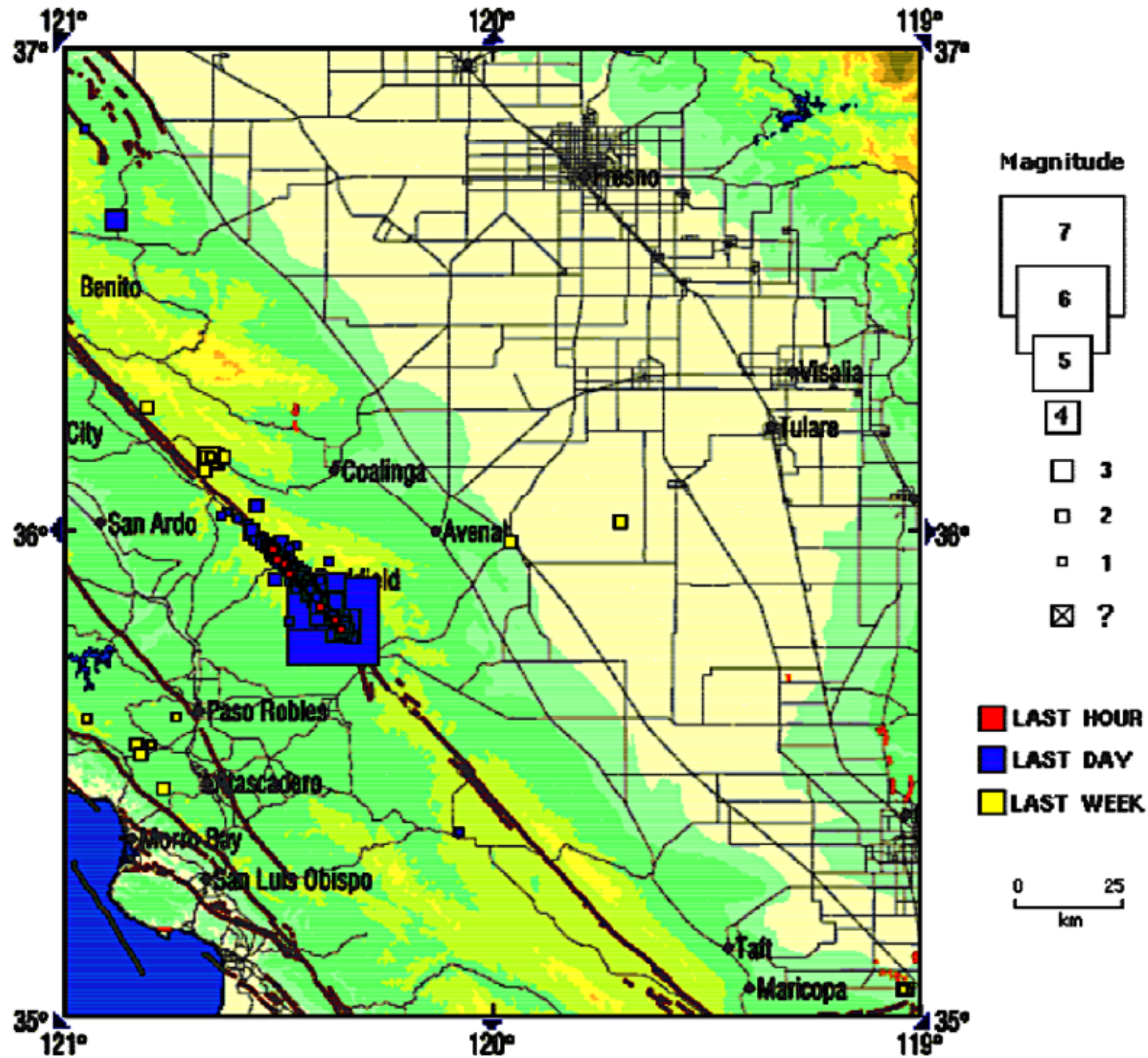


San Andreas Fault System

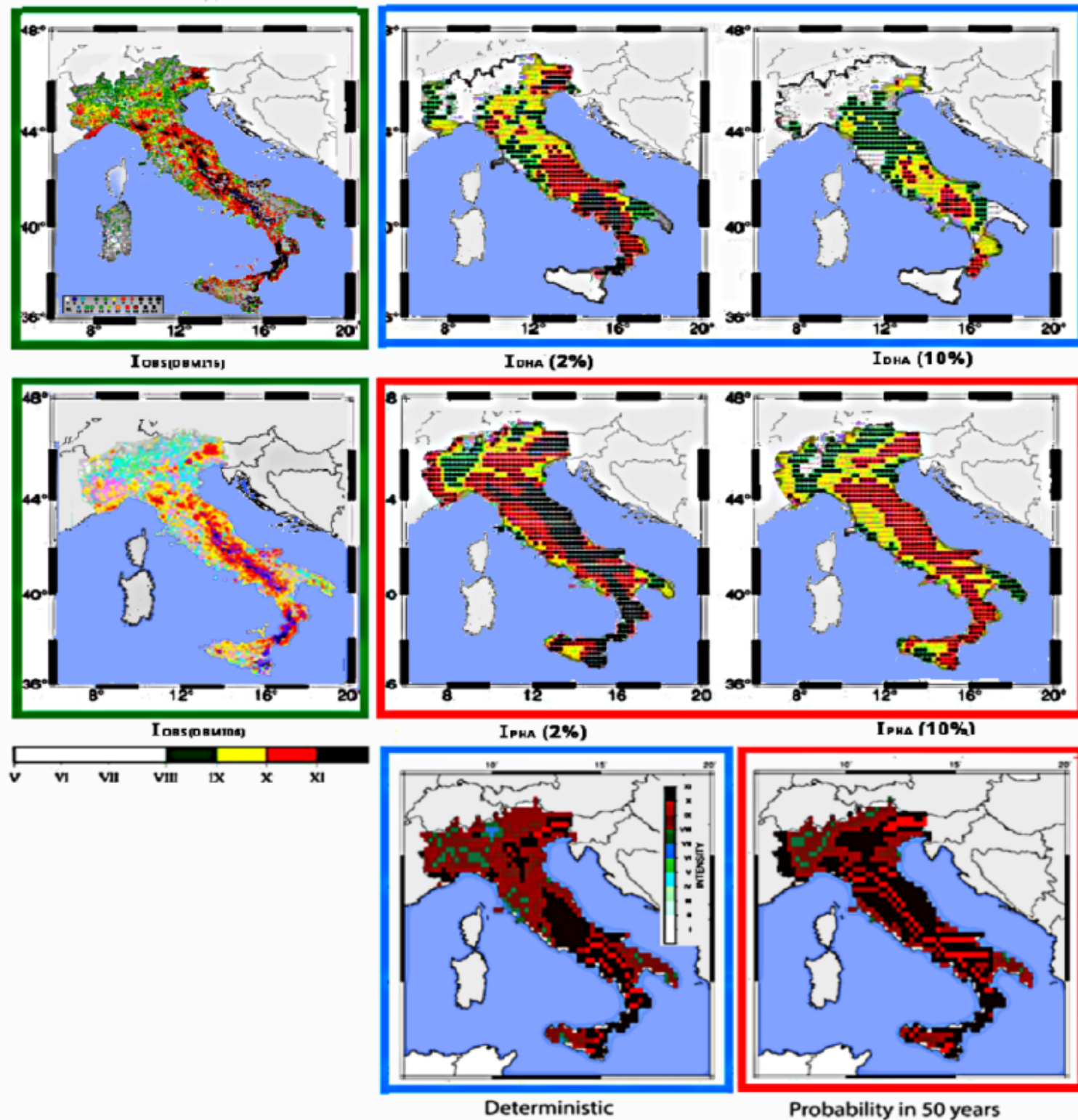


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538 earthquakes on this map

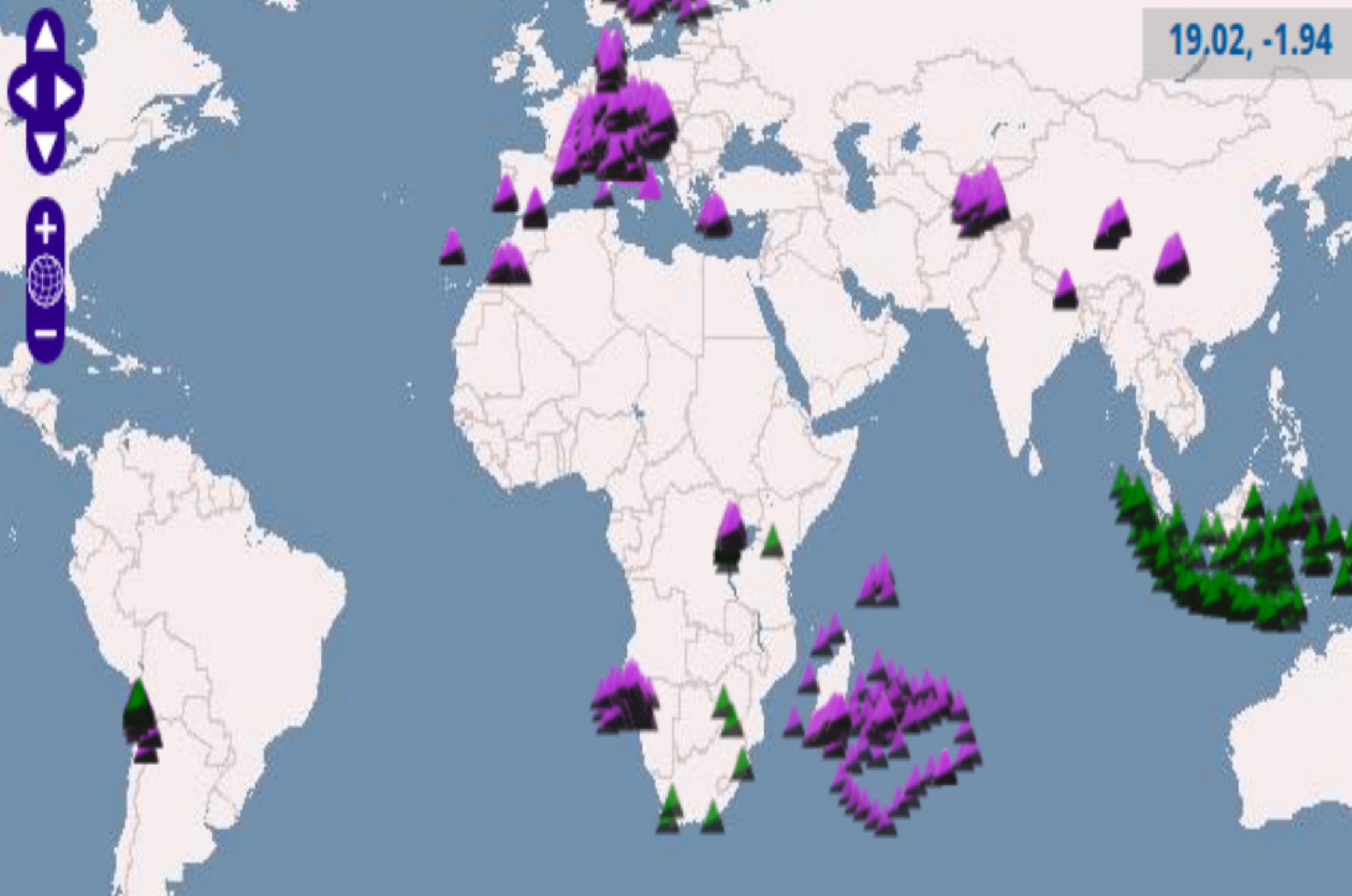



Italian Seismicity



Overprediction of
hazard risk levels

19.02, -1.94



Legend for Map icons **Stations**  Restricted and permanent  Restricted and temporary

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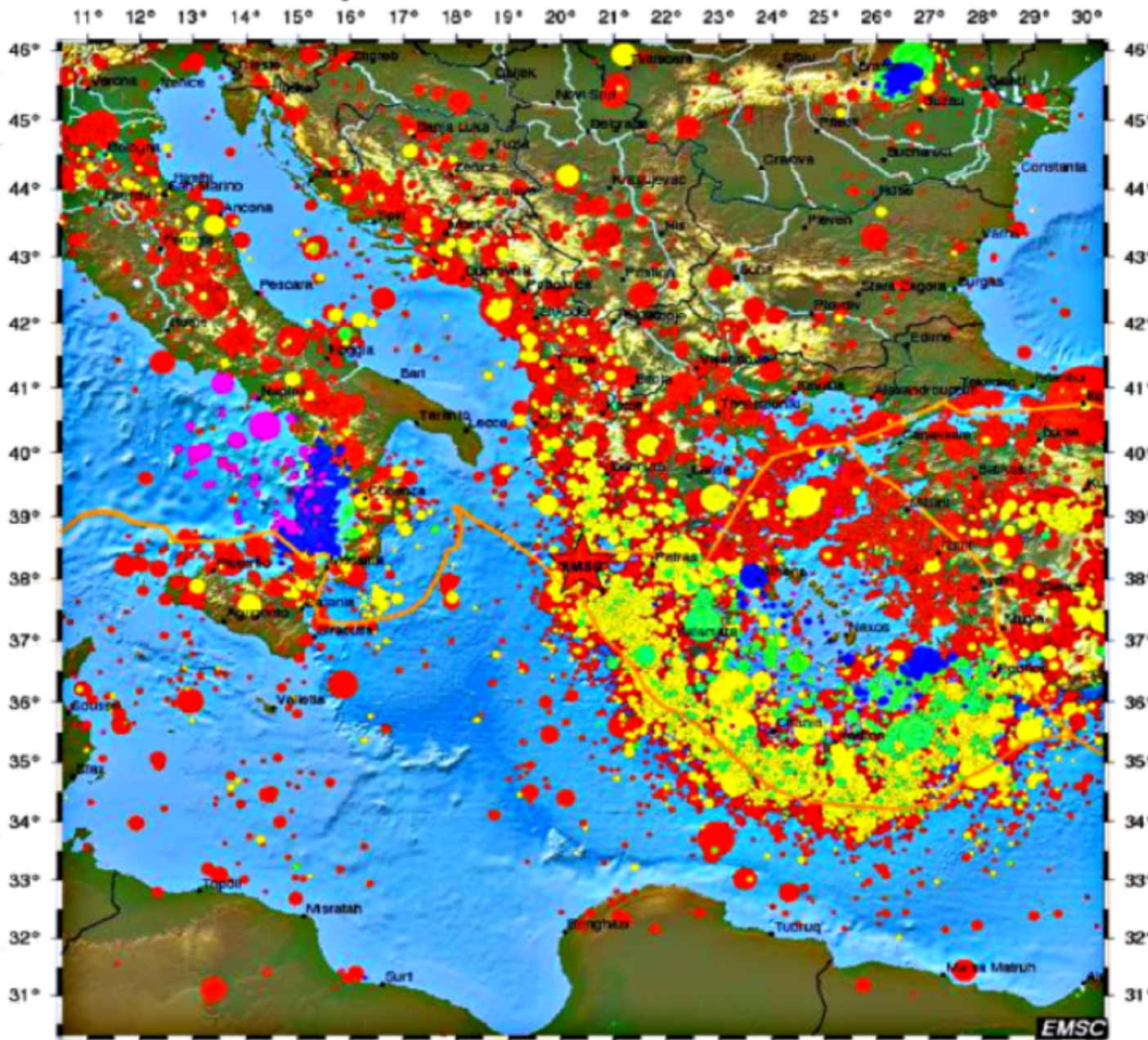
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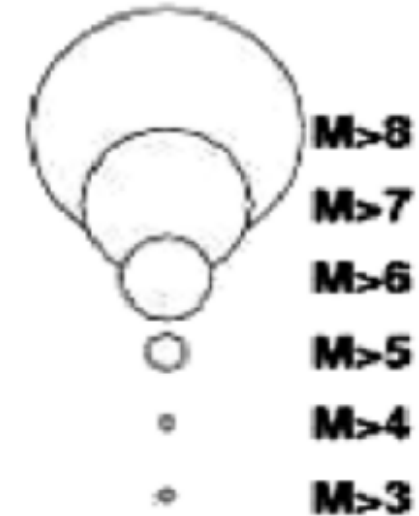
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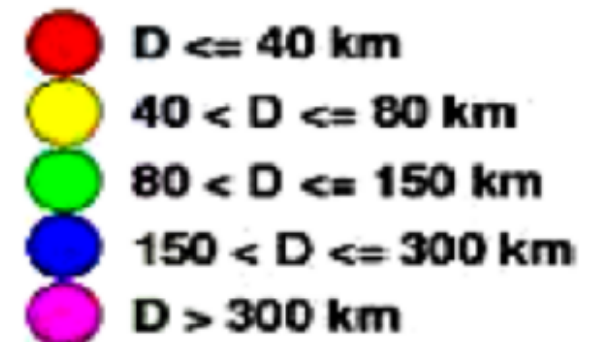
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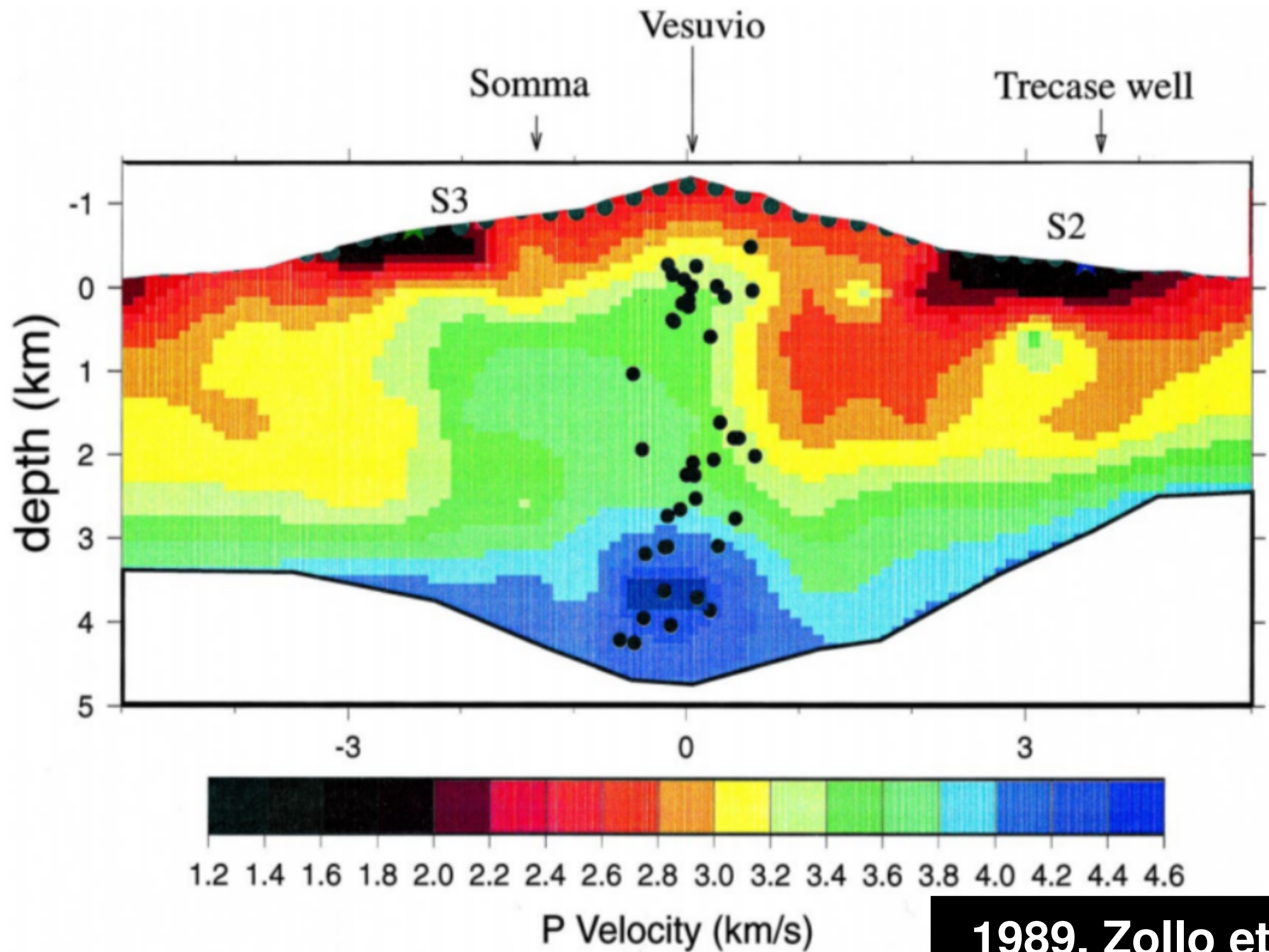
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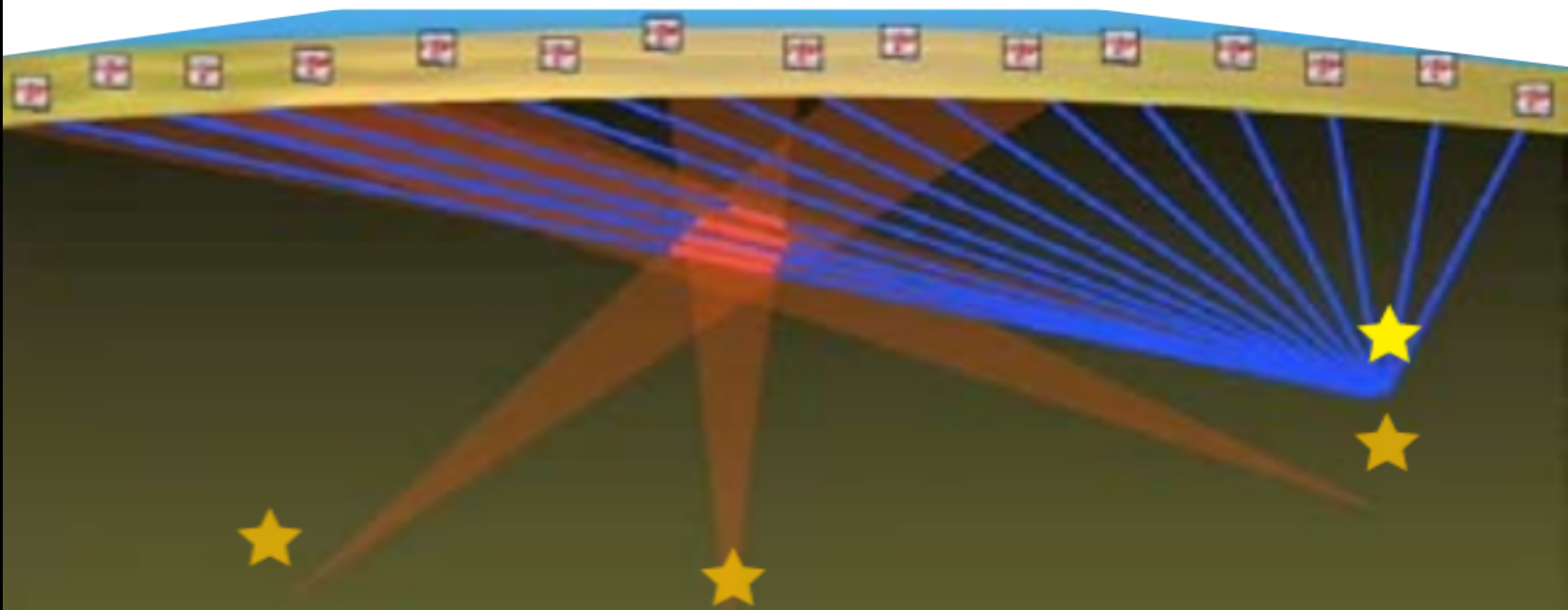
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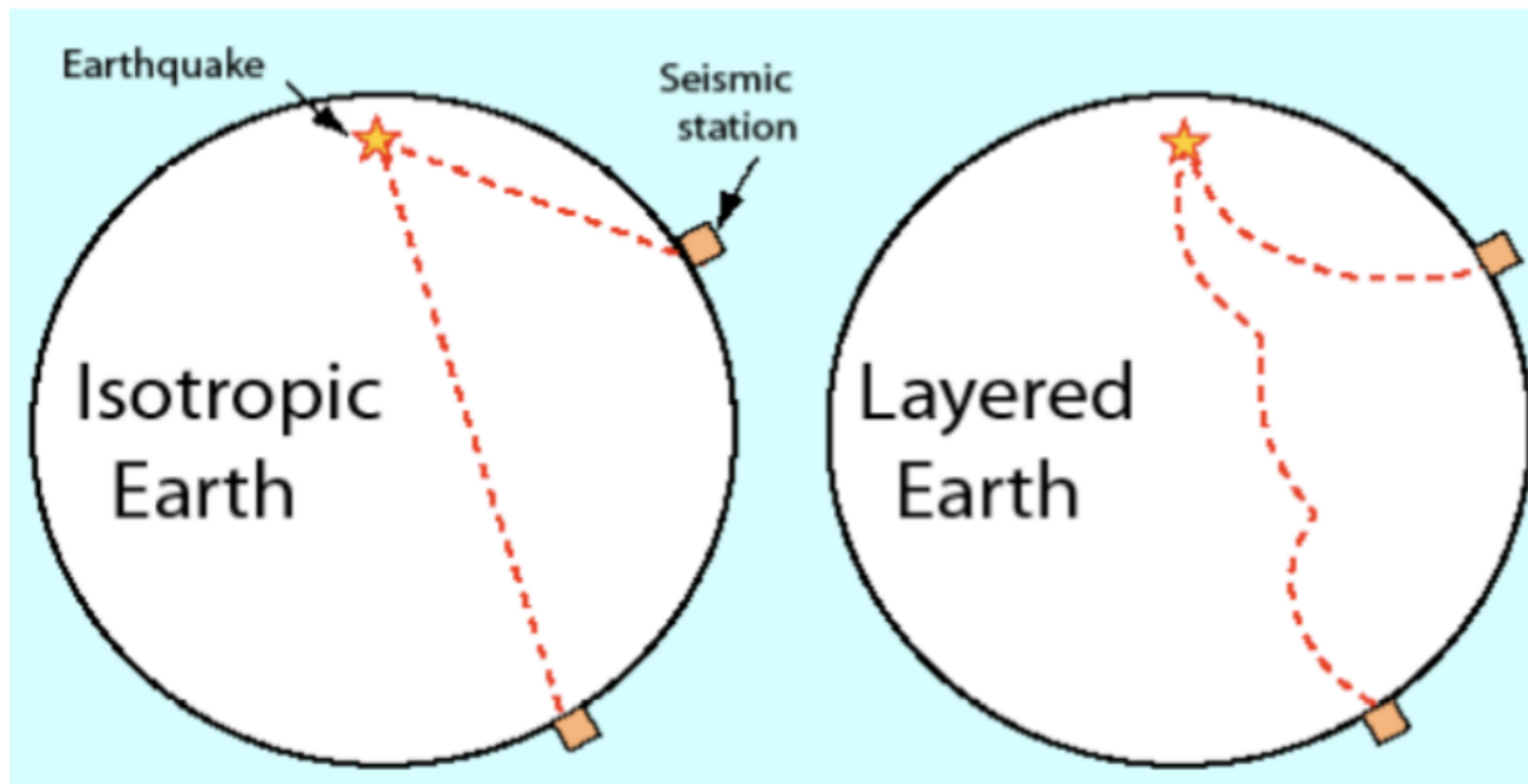
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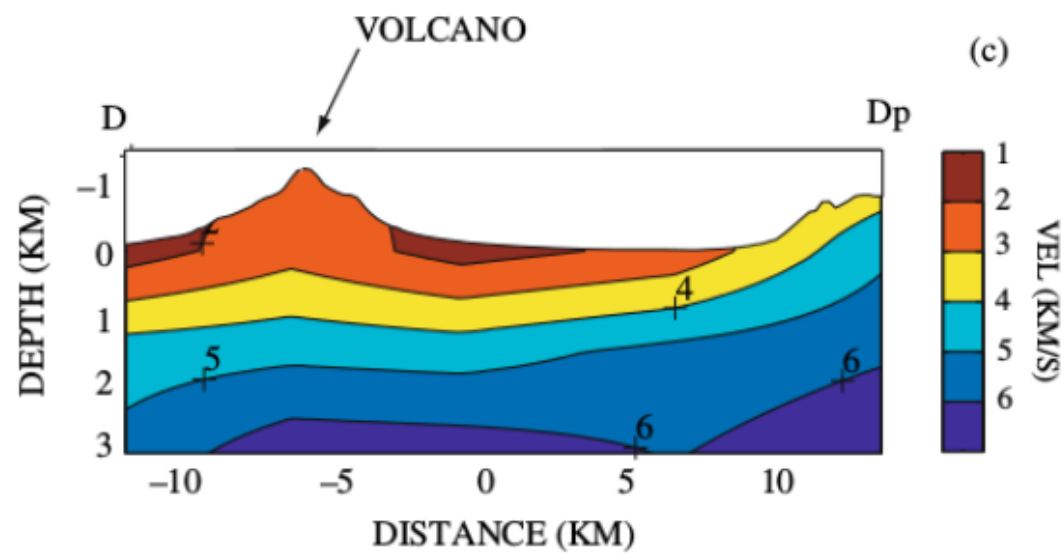
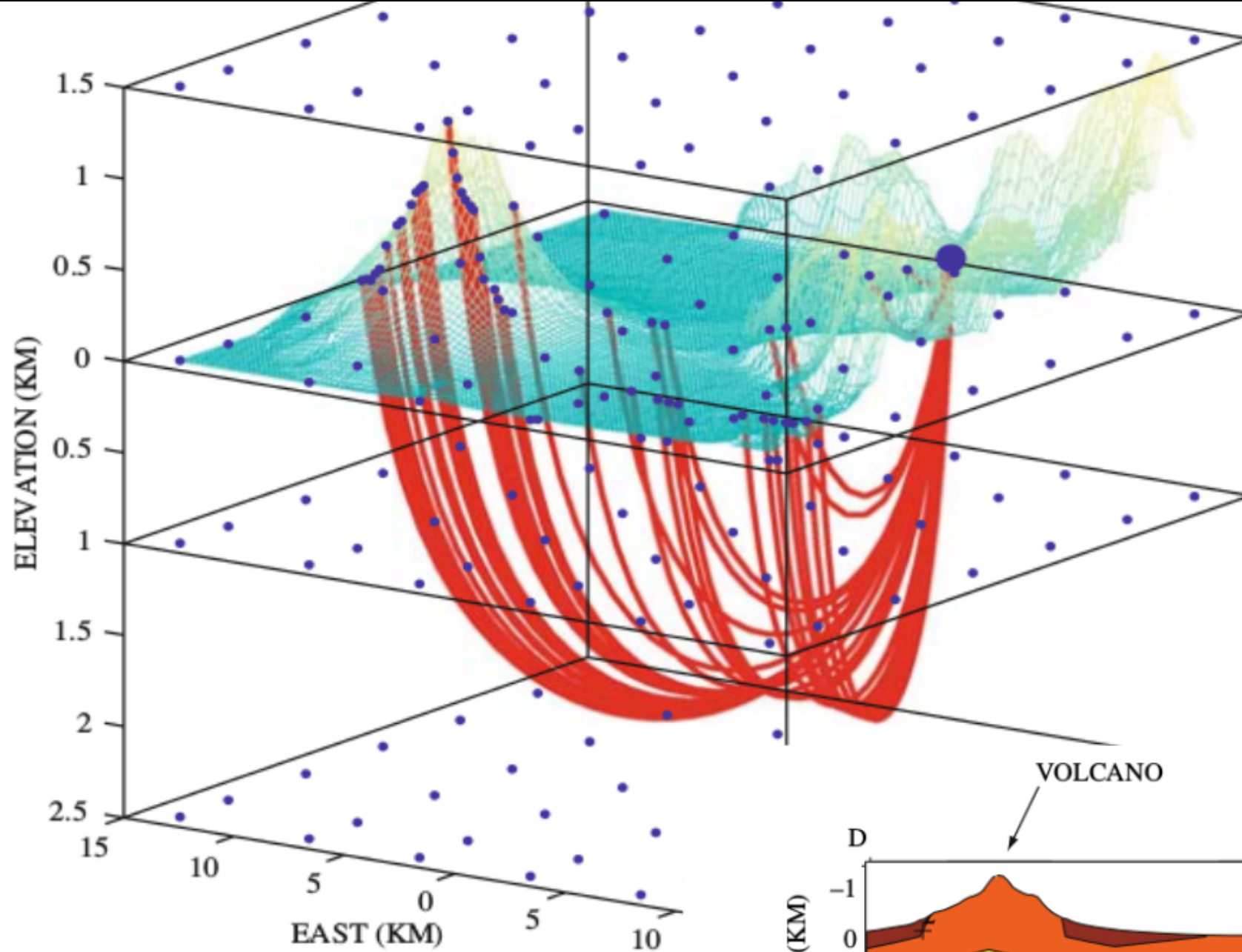


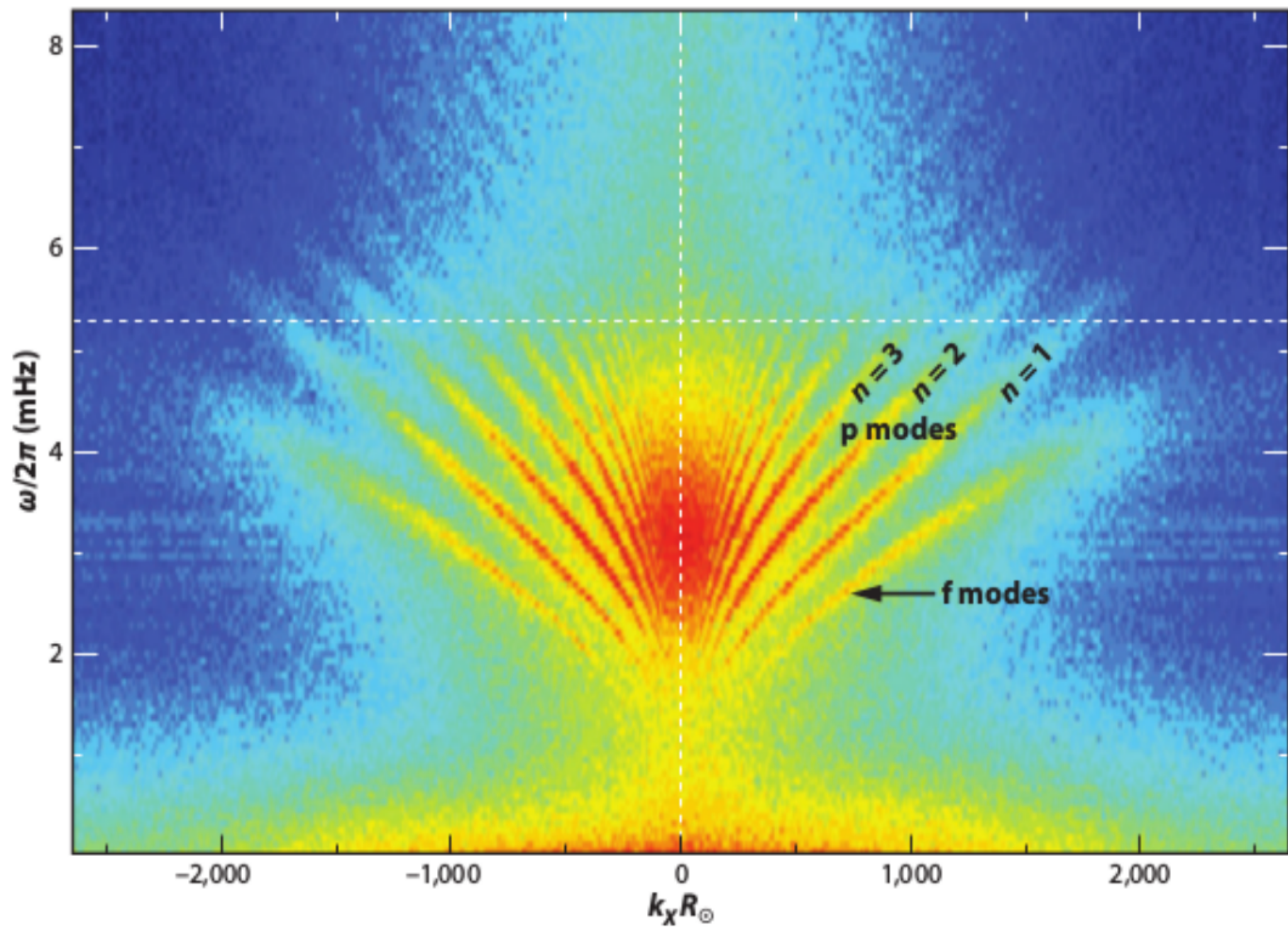
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Slower region indicates different material than the surroundings, and is often termed "an anomaly."





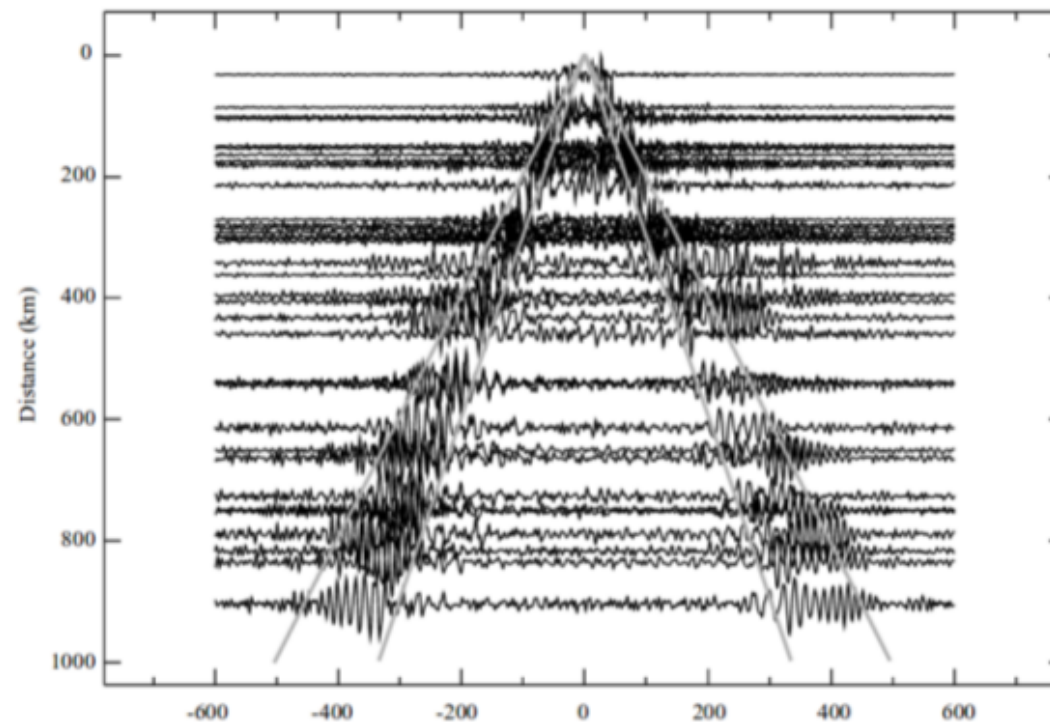


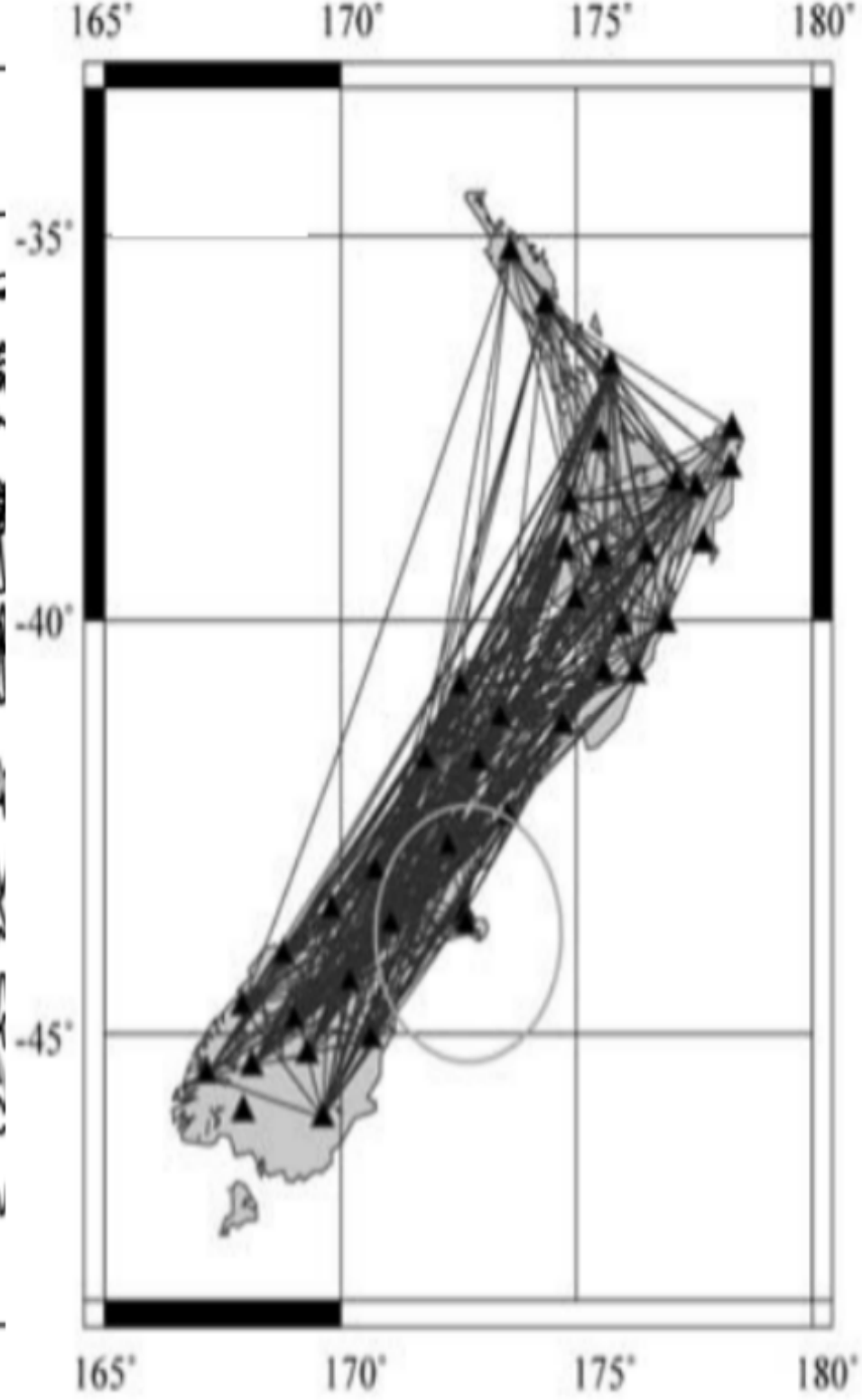
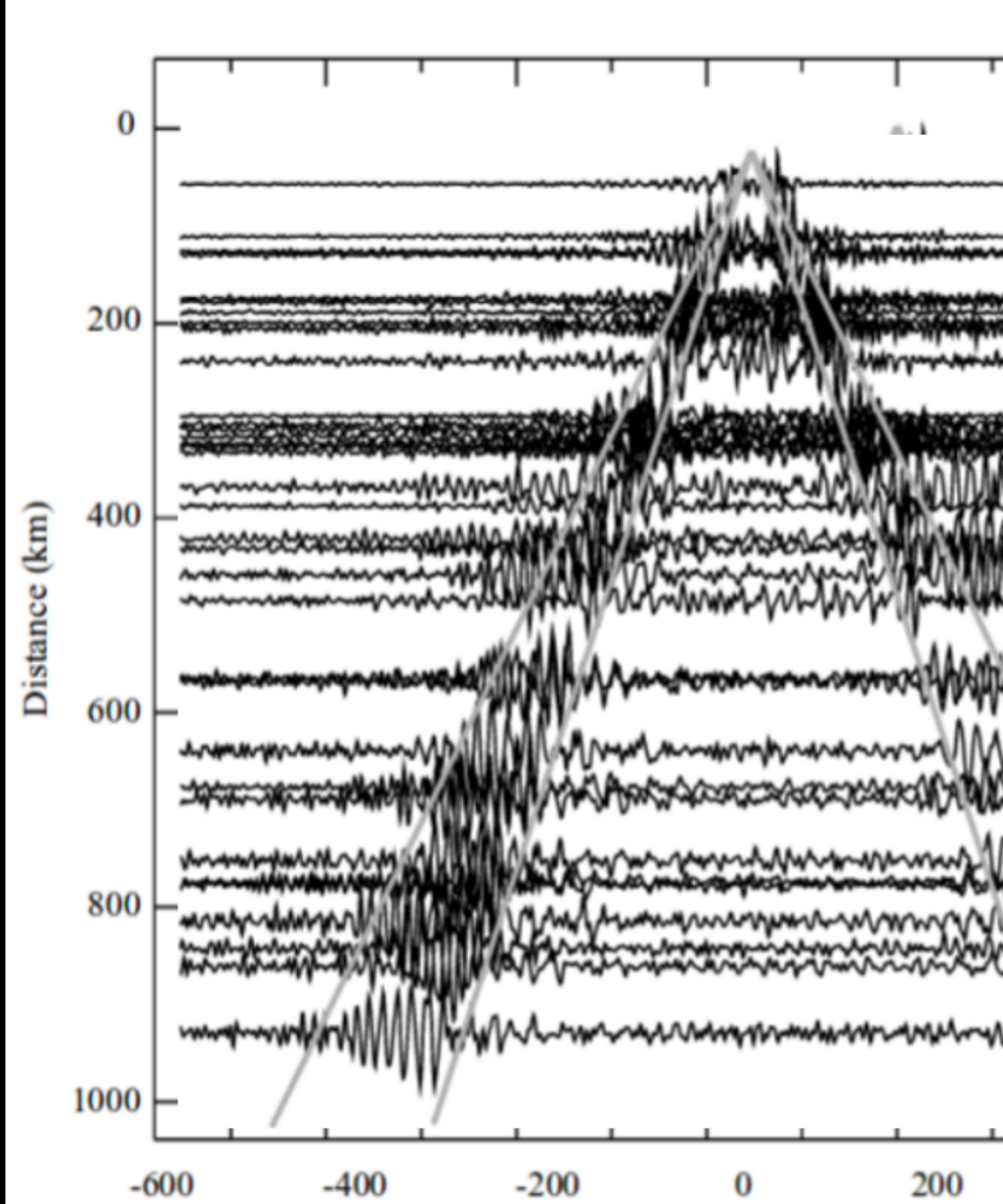
3.2. The Cross-Covariance Function

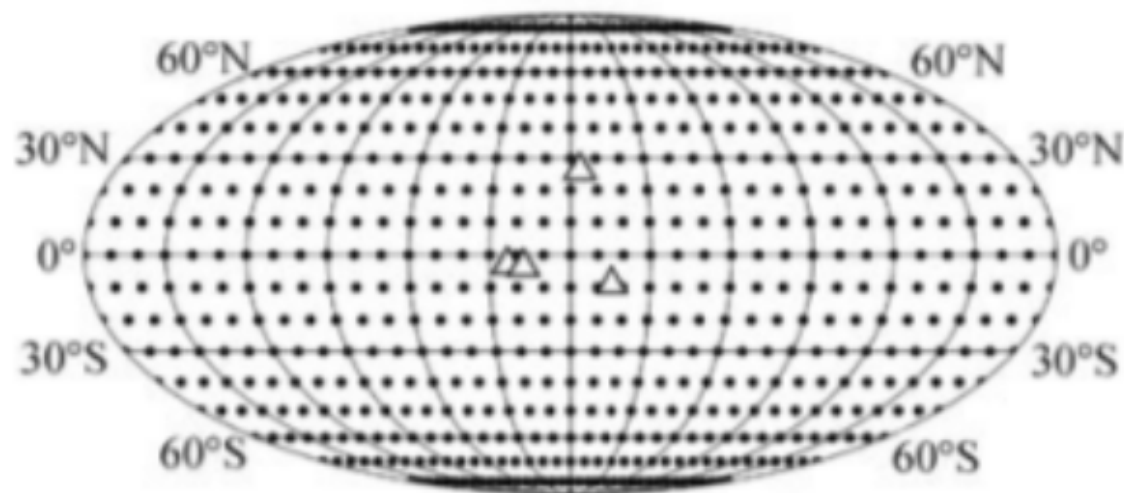
Time-distance helioseismology is based on the measurement of the cross-covariance between the Doppler signals at two points \mathbf{r}_1 and \mathbf{r}_2 on the solar surface,

$$C(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, t) = \int_0^T dt' \phi(\mathbf{r}_1, t') \phi(\mathbf{r}_2, t' + t), \quad (5)$$

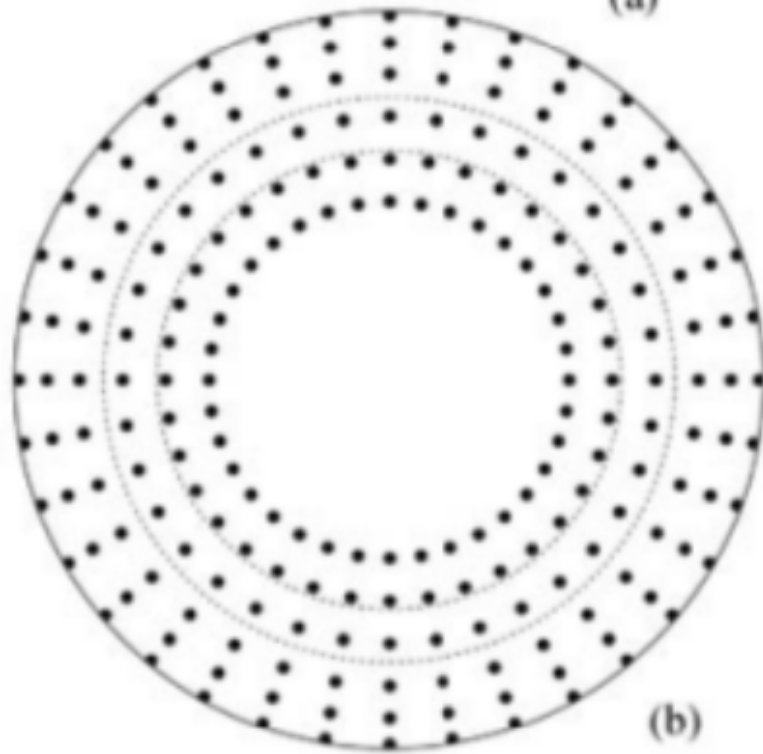
where t is the correlation time lag. **Figure 6a** shows a cross-covariance function measured from 144 days of MDI medium-degree data. The cross-covariance has been averaged over many pairs of points ($\mathbf{r}_2, \mathbf{r}_1$) and is presented as a function of the heliocentric angle between these two points. This diagram is known as the time-distance diagram. The cross-covariance is essentially a phase coherent average of the random oscillations (Bogdan 1997, and **Supplemental Video 2**). It is a solar seismogram: it provides a way to measure wave travel times between two surface locations.



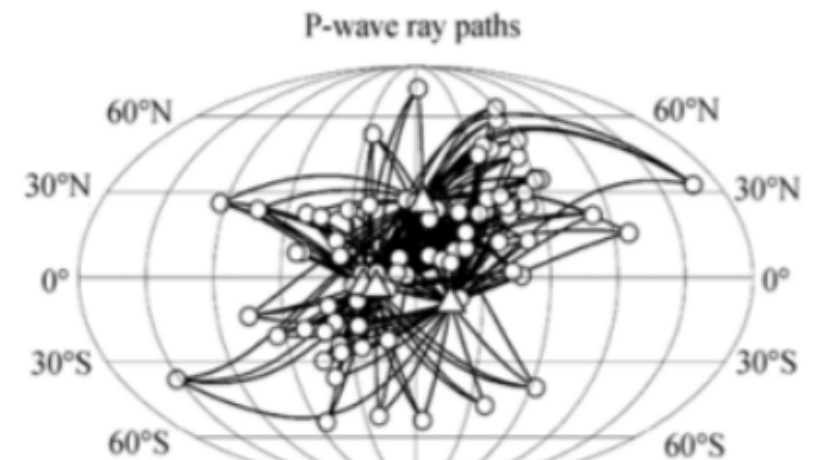




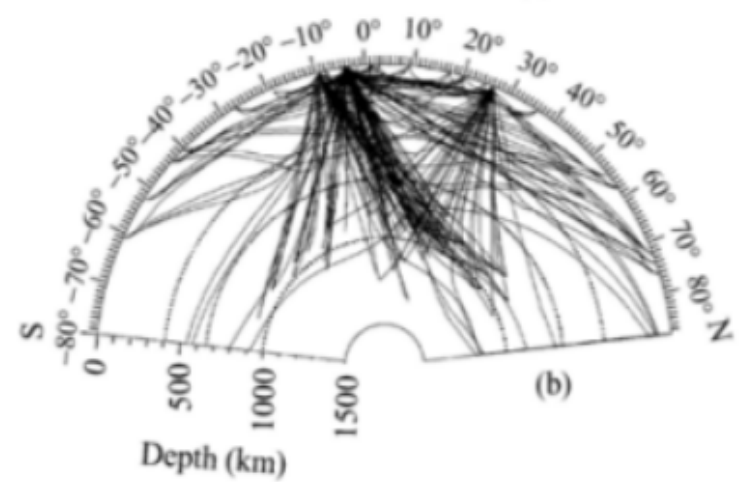
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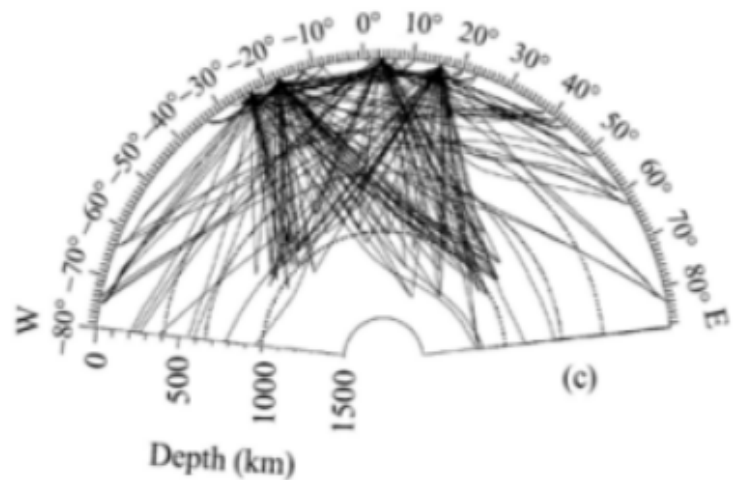
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(b)



(c)

Figure 4 Distribution of the grid nodes adopted for the tomographic inversion in plan view (a) and vertical cross section (b). The open triangles in (a) denote the four Apollo seismic stations.

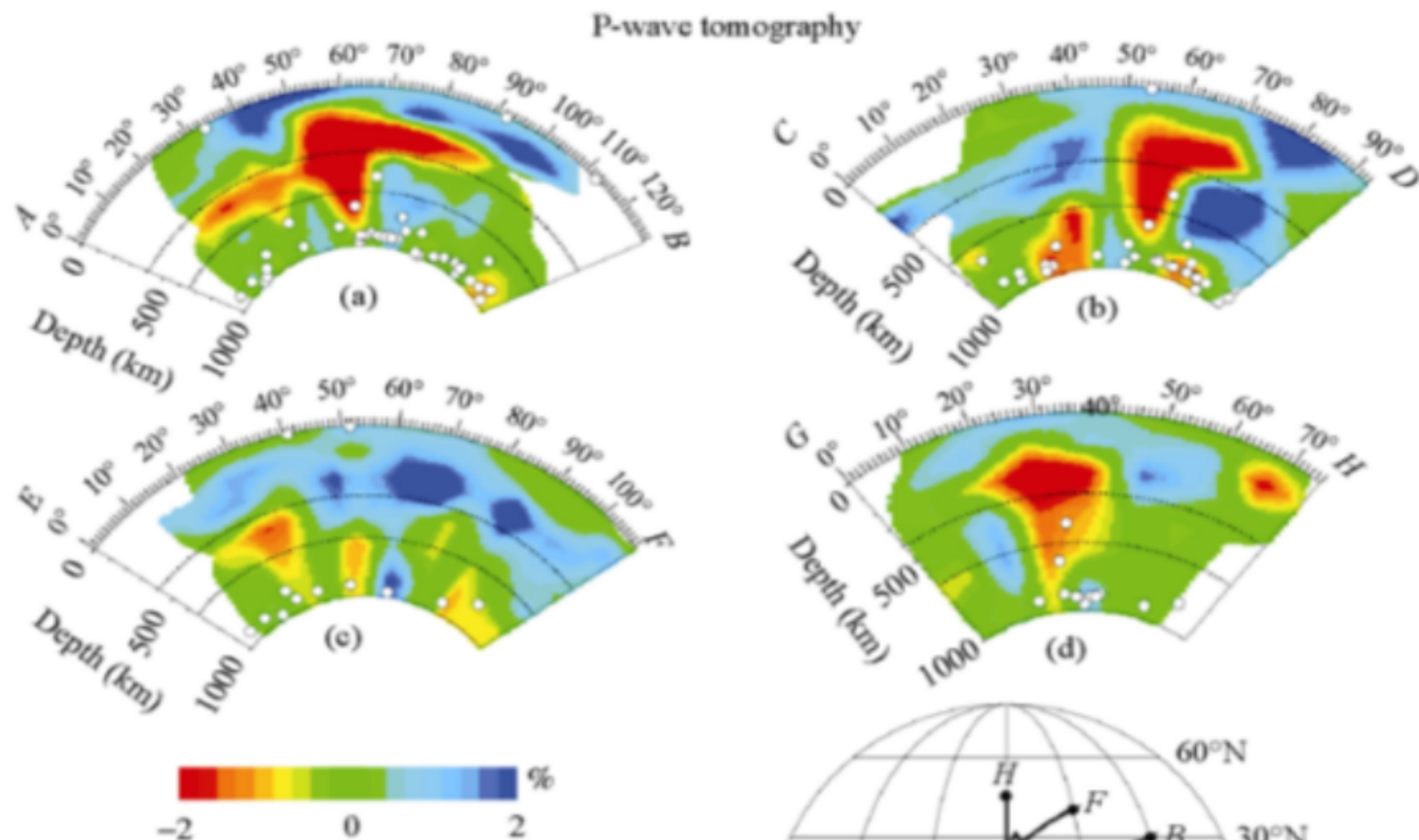
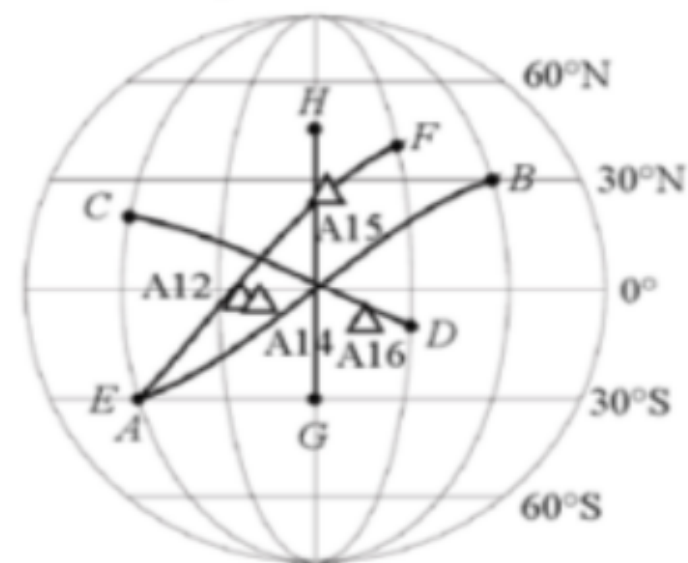
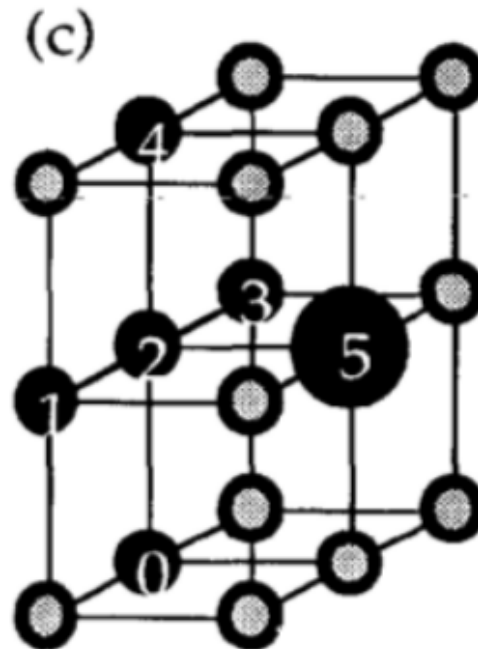
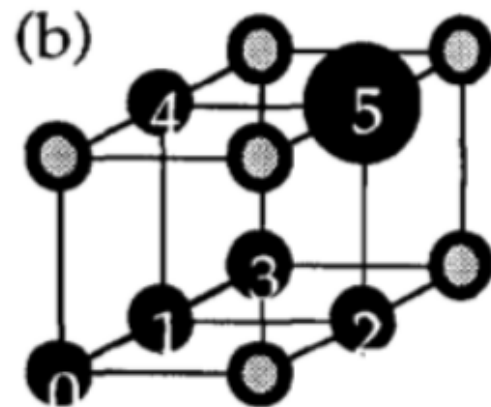
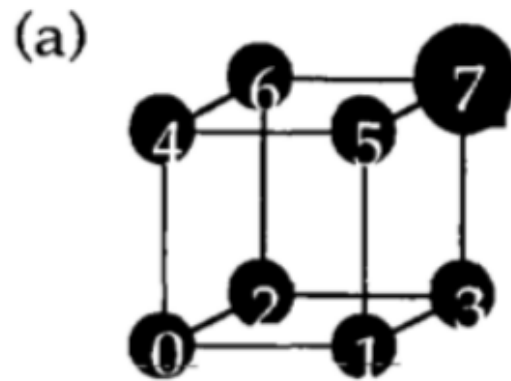


Figure 9 Vertical cross sections of P-wave tomography along the four profiles shown on the map. Red and blue colors denote low and high velocities, respectively. The scale of velocity perturbations relative to the 1-D velocity model (Figure 3) is shown below (c). White dots denote moonquakes occurring within 150 km width of each profile. Open triangles on the map denote the four Apollo seismic stations.





$$\left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial y}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial z}\right)^2 = s^2(x, y, z)$$

$$t_7 = t_0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{6h^2s^2 - (t_1 - t_2)^2 - (t_2 - t_4)^2 - (t_4 - t_1)^2 - (t_3 - t_5)^2 - (t_5 - t_6)^2 - (t_6 - t_3)^2}, \quad (2)$$

$$t_5 = t_1 + \sqrt{2h^2s^2 - 0.5(t_0 - t_3)^2 - (t_2 - t_4)^2}. \quad (3)$$

$$t_5 = t_2 + \sqrt{h^2s^2 - 0.25[(t_1 - t_3)^2 + (t_0 - t_4)^2]}.$$

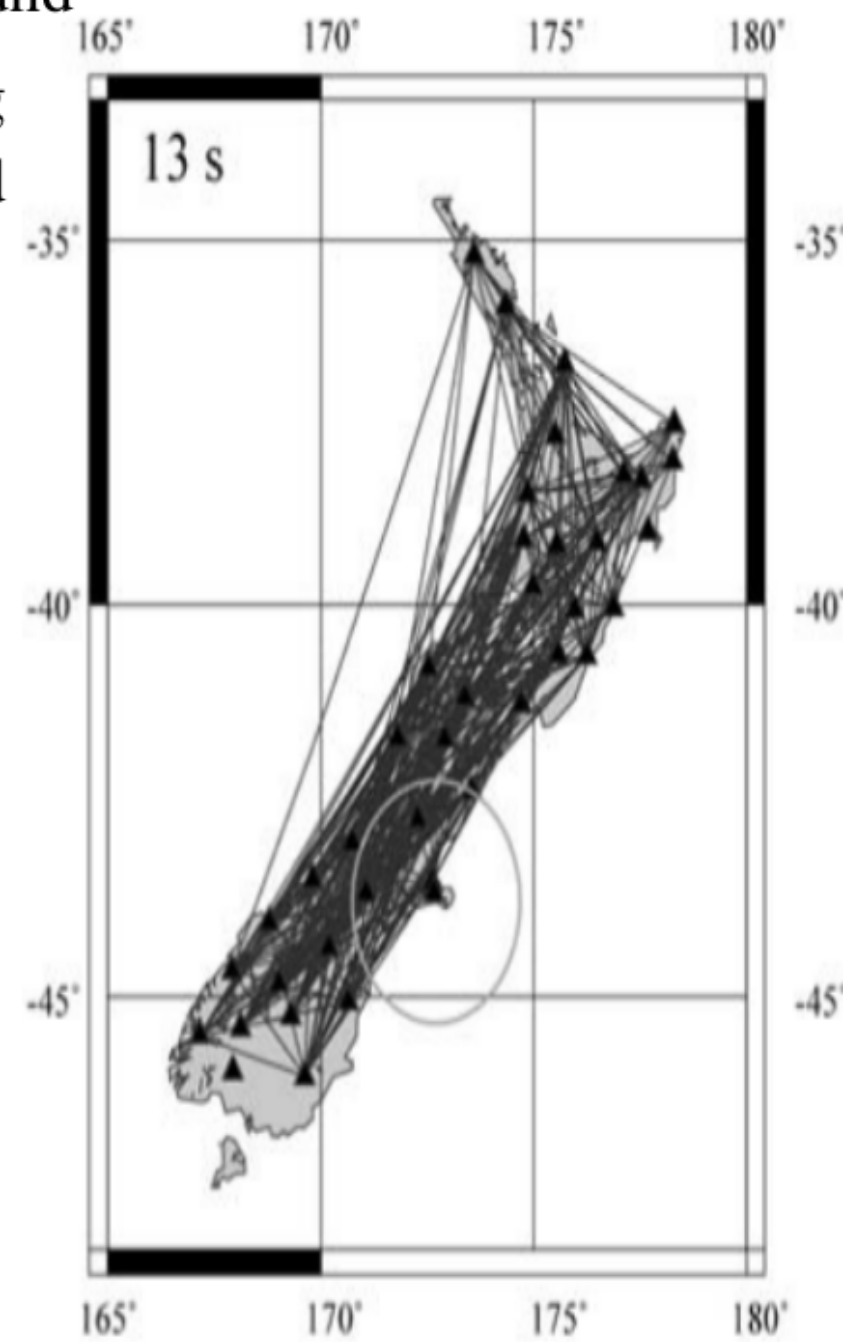
Seismic Data: Earthquakes, Anthropogenic, Background

The current velocity distribution is updated according to the vector computed, and the process is repeated until the Subsurface Map stabilizes.

The ray path from a source to the station is defined by following the steepest gradient in the time grid from the source. From the ray geometry of all source-receiver pairs the matrix describing the forward tomographic problem can be computed:

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{G}\Delta u, \quad (1)$$

where \mathbf{r} is the travel time residual vector, i.e., the difference between the observed travel times and the travel times computed in the current velocity distribution. Δu is the slowness (1/velocity) perturbation vector. Each G_{pj} coefficient is the length of the ray p sampling cell j .

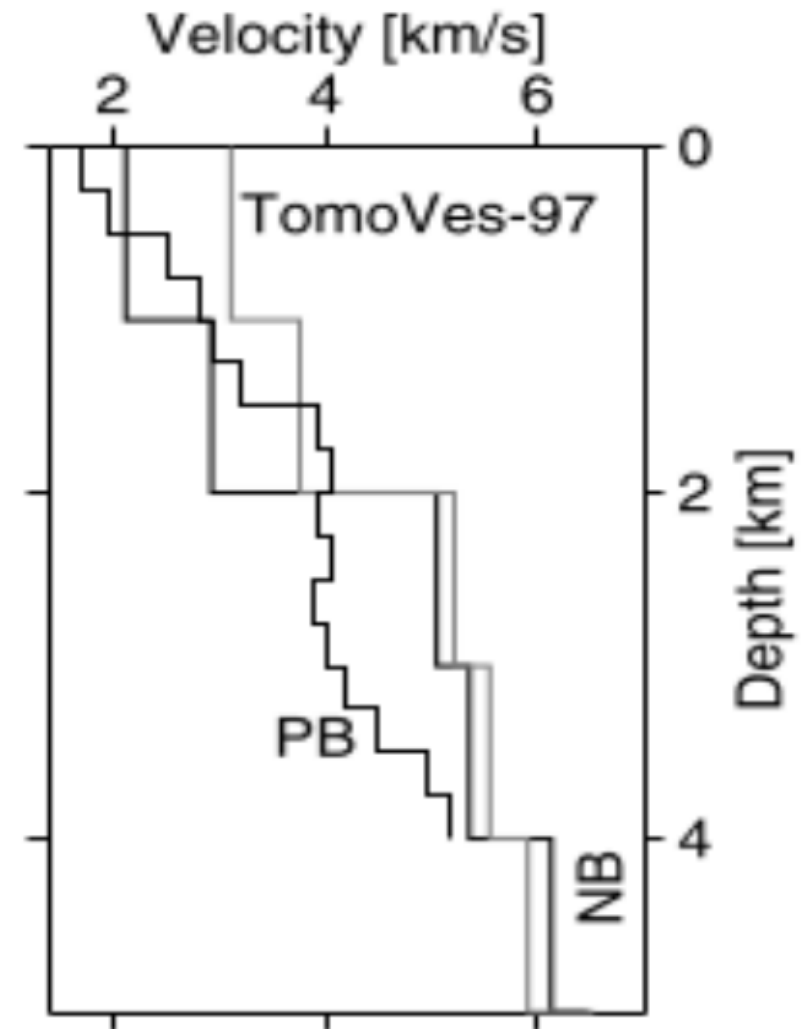


$$d_i = G_i(x_j)$$

Initial 3-D Velocity Distribution:
Starting Model designed using a
subsurface simulation grid
(nx, ny, nz)

To image a region we use an estimation
grid of cubic cells describing the scale
we want to resolve (mx, my, mz)

The current velocity distribution is updated according to the
vector computed, and the process is repeated until the velocity
model stabilizes.



We give a quick overview of the theory of systems of linear, algebraic equations. This is not intended to serve as a text on linear algebra, merely a review of some important concepts. Detailed discussions of various aspect of this material can be found in [43] or [78].

Consider a system of m equations for n unknowns, (x_1, \dots, x_n) :

$$\begin{aligned} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n &= y_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n &= y_2 \\ \vdots &\vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n &= y_m. \end{aligned} \tag{1.16}$$

There are four questions which require answers:

4.2.1 Inverse problem

The inverse problem corresponding to the forward problem given by 2 is nonlinear. We define the *a posteriori* probability density function (PDF) as

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_M(m) = & \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{I-1} \left(\frac{g(m)_i - d_i^{\text{obs}}}{\sigma_i} \right)^2 + \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \frac{S_j}{S} \left(\frac{c_j - c_j^{\text{prior}}}{\sigma_c} \right)^2 \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \frac{S_j}{S} \left(\frac{l_j - l_j^{\text{prior}}}{\sigma_l} \right)^2 + \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} \left(\frac{A_k - A_k^{\text{prior}}}{\sigma_A} \right)^2 \right) \right) \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

Existence:

For a given m -vector (y_1, \dots, y_m) does there exist an n -vector (x_1, \dots, x_n) which satisfies the equations in (1.16)?

Uniqueness:

When a solution exists is it unique? More generally, describe the space of solutions.

Solve in practice:

Give an algorithm to find approximations for the solutions of (1.16) and criteria to select a solution when there is more than one.

Stability:

How sensitive is the solution to small variations in the coefficients (a_{ij}) or the right hand side (y_j) ?

It is a somewhat unexpected, but very important fact that these issues are in practice, rather independent of one another.

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