

# Accessing Data at the IRIS DMC

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# IRIS DS Mission Statement



“To provide reliable and efficient access to high quality seismological and related geophysical data, generated by IRIS and its domestic and international partners, and to enable all parties interested in using these data to do so in a straightforward and efficient manner.”

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# Types of Data Access



- Streaming of real-time data
- Asynchronous (batch) requests
  - Continuous time series
  - Event-oriented time series
  - Metadata
- Web service requests
  - Continuous time series
  - Metadata

# Giving credit for data



[www.fdsn.org/citation/](http://www.fdsn.org/citation/)

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## **GSN** / IRIS Global Seismographic Network (including H2, IC, II, IU, MS)

Global Seismographic Network is a cooperative scientific facility operated jointly by the Incorporated Research Institutions for Seismology (IRIS), the United States Geological Survey (USGS), and the National Science Foundation (NSF).

<http://www.iris.edu/hq/programs/gsn>

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## **H2** / Hawaii-2 Observatory Seismic System (H2O)

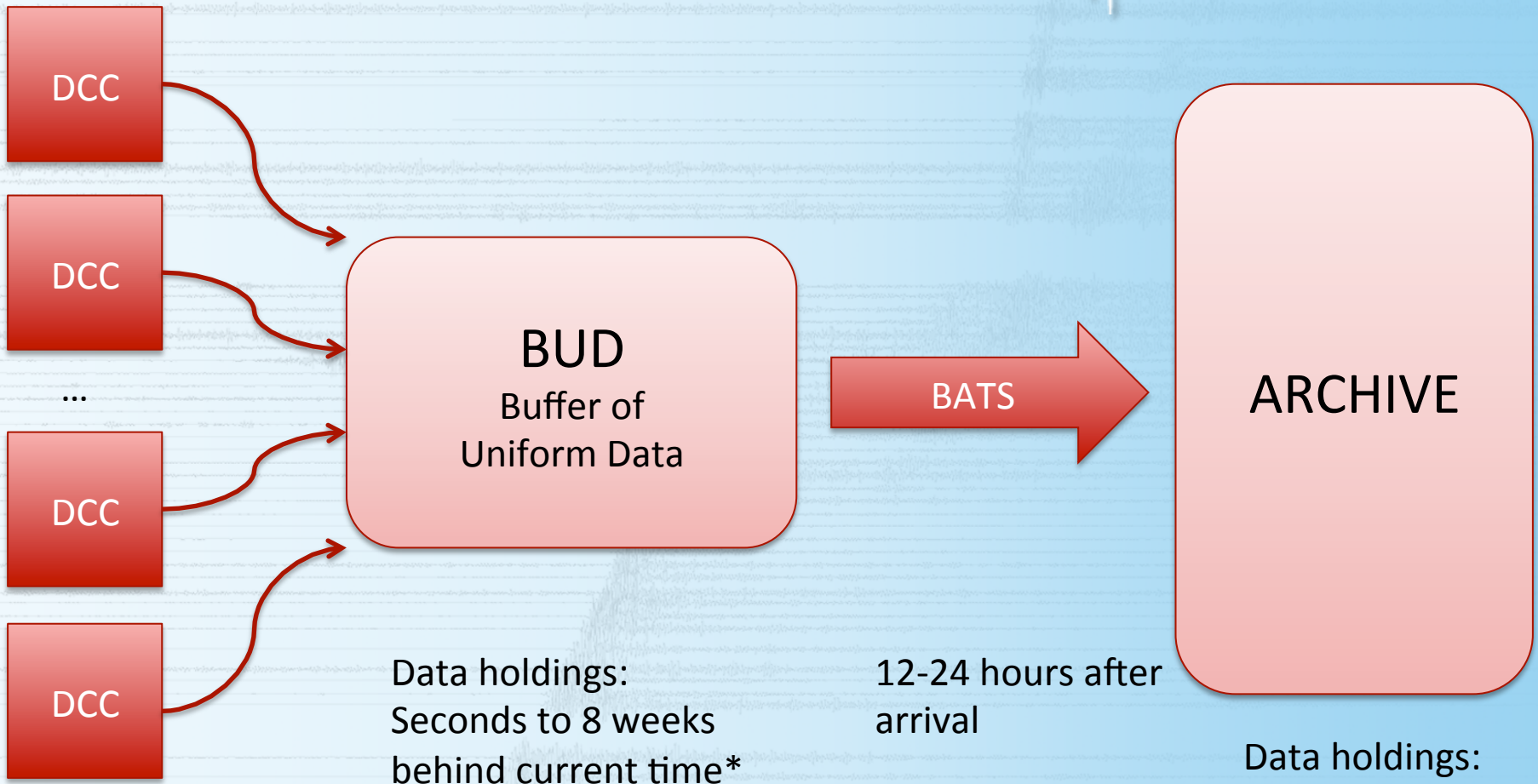
University of Hawaii

Duennebier, F.K., David W. Harris, James Jolly, James Babinec, David Copson, Kurt Stiffel, The Hawaii-2 Observatory Seismic System, IEEE Jnl. Ocean Engineering, V 27, # 2, pp 212-217, Apr 2002

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## **HK** / Hong Kong Observatory

# Real-time data flow to the DMC archive



Data holdings:  
Seconds to 8 weeks  
behind current time\*

12-24 hours after  
arrival

Data holdings:  
24 hours to  
40+ years

# Streaming Real-Time Data from IRIS DMC



- What real-time data are available?

To view all currently available real-time stations:

- [http://www.iris.edu/mda/\\_REALTIME](http://www.iris.edu/mda/_REALTIME) (list)
- [http://www.iris.edu/gmap/\\_REALTIME](http://www.iris.edu/gmap/_REALTIME) (map)

Currently **2917** stations (On May 21, 2015) and **>32,000** chans

- How can I stream this data?

- **SeedLink** server, publically accessible

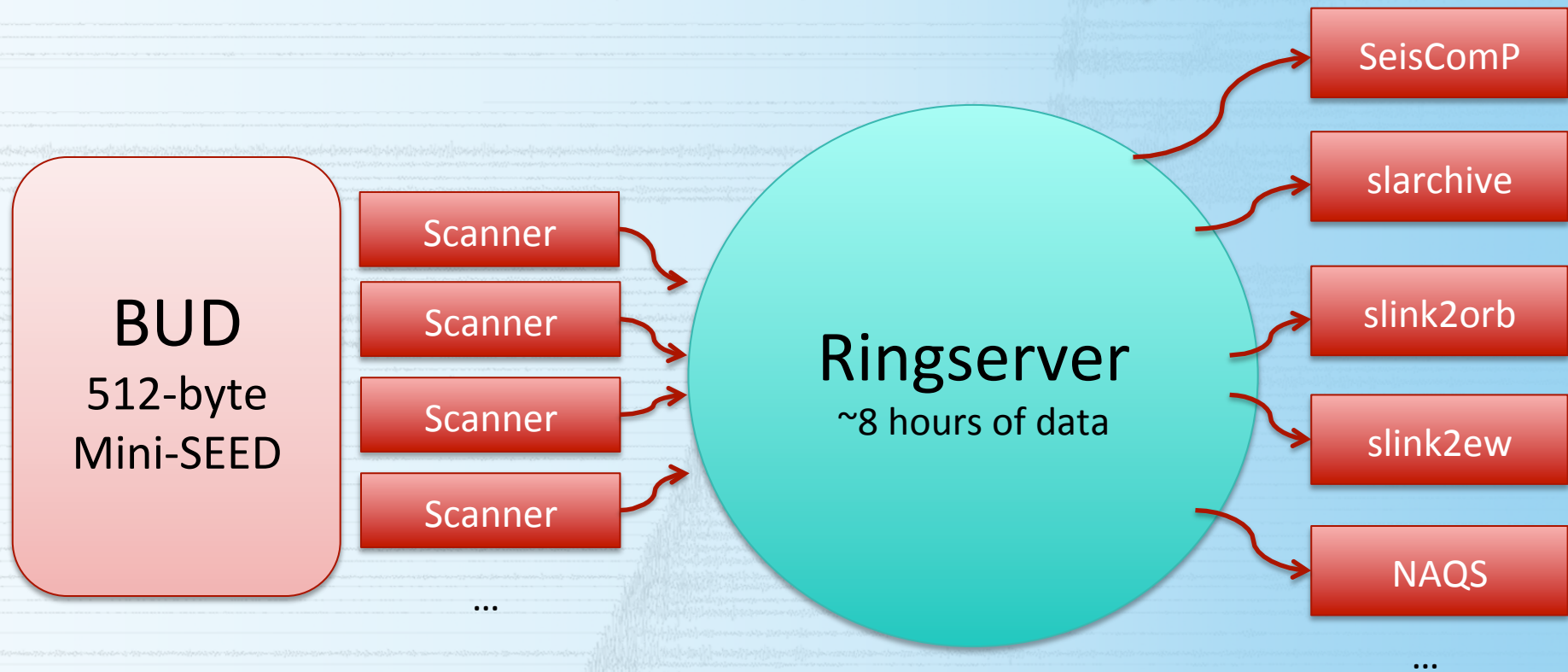
Host: [rtserve.iris.washington.edu](http://rtserve.iris.washington.edu)

Port: 18000

- All open data in the BUD is available via **SeedLink** with minimal added latency.

Median latency: 40 Hz => 12 seconds, 1 Hz => 160 seconds

# SeedLink export data flow



**Data older than 48 hours is not scanned.**

**Users are welcome to any data available via the server as long as client actions do not inhibit our capability to deliver data to other users.**

# IRIS Supported SeedLink clients:

<http://ds.iris.edu/ds/nodes/dmc/services/seedlink/>

## Available Software

The following software is available from the DMC at <http://www.iris.edu/pub/programs/SeedLink/>. For details about each individual software package, please visit the [software](#) pages, or click the package name link below:

- [libslink](#) – A SeedLink client library written in C.
- [slink2orb](#) – SeedLink to [Antelope](#) ORB client (licensed Antelope libraries are required).
- [slink2ew](#) – SeedLink to [Earthworm](#) client. Windows binaries available. The most recent release of slink2ew is in the Earthworm source code repository.
- [slarchive](#) – A SeedLink client that writes all received data to the local disk in user defined directory and file structures.
- [slinktool](#) – Command line SeedLink client useful for data stream inspection and server testing.
- [ewexport\\_plugin](#) – An Earthworm export process plugin (data source) for a seedlink server.
- [orbplugin](#) – An Antelope ORB plugin (data source) for a seedlink server (licensed Antelope libraries are required).

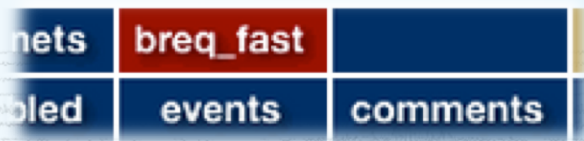


# Asynchronous Requests: BREQ\_FAST

- Accesses data in both the real-time buffer and permanent archive
- You can send the request when you're away from your computer or on a slow internet connection
- You can pick up your requested data using ftp or http at your convenience
- Returns metadata (dataless SEED), miniSEED, full SEED and more

# BREQ\_FAST

via  
SeismiQuery



Start here:

<http://ds.iris.edu/sq>

	summaries	by station	by network	by timeseries	virtual nets	<b>breq_fast</b>	help
	channels	stations	responses	temp networks	assembled	events	comments

### BREQ\_FAST Request Form

virtual network

network

station

location

channel

data start time\*

data end time\*

latitude and longitude

NORTH

WEST  EAST

SOUTH

channel parameters

sample rate >=  and <=

flags like

comments like

sensor type like

site like

data quality

elevation >=  <=

depth >=  <=

azimuth >=  <=

dip >=  <=

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name\*:

institution\*:

street address\*:

email\*:

phone\*:

label\*:

media:

alternate media:

alternate media:

query over  DMC archived waveforms or  metadata/dataless/RESP\*\*

\*These fields are required.  
\*\*A query on metadata may result in a request file for unavailable data, but returns much faster.

# BREQ\_FAST via SeismiQuery



**BREQ\_FAST Request Form**

virtual network

network

station

location

channel

data start time\*

data end time\*

sample rate  $\geq$   and  $\leq$

flags like

comments like

sensor type like

site like

data quality

**latitude and longitude**

NORTH

WEST  EAST

SOUTH

Clear

elevation  $\geq$    $\leq$

azimuth  $\geq$    $\leq$

depth  $\geq$    $\leq$

dip  $\geq$    $\leq$

# BREQ\_FAST via SeismiQuery

IRIS  
BREQ\_FAST Request Form

virtual station ID:   
station ID:   
station:   
channel:

date start time: 2 3 [hour] [min] [sec] [AM/PM]  
date end time: 2 3 [hour] [min] [sec] [AM/PM]

North and South: NORTH, SOUTH  
West and East: WEST, EAST

name\*:   
institution\*:   
street address\*:   
email\*:   
phone\*:   
label\*:   
media:   
alternate media:   
alternate media:   
query over  DMC archived waveforms or  
 metadata/dataless/RESP\*\*

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# BREQ\_FAST

via

# SeismiQuery

Results in a new  
popup window:

## Notice

If this query takes more than 5 minutes, you may wish to hit the STOP button on this browser window, further restrict your query, and resubmit the query.

Found metadata for 3 stations and 137 channels.

- full SEED
- dataless SEED
- mini SEED
- sync file
- RESP file
- email request to myself

request below to receive

```
.NAME Rick Benson
.INST IRIS DMC
.ADDRESS 1408 NE 45th St
.EMAIL rick@iris.washington.edu
.PHONE 206-547-0393
.FAX YOUR_FAX
.MEDIA: FTP
.ALTERNATE MEDIA: DAT
.ALTERNATE MEDIA: DLT3
.LABEL Test_for_TA_A-stations
.FROM SQ
.QUALITY B
.END
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 ACE (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 BDF EP (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 BDO EP (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 BHE (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 BHN (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 BHZ (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 HNE (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 HNN (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 HNZ (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LCE (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LCE EP (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LCO EP (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LCQ (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LDF EP (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LDM EP (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LDO EP (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LEP EP (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LHE (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LHN (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LHZ (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LIM EP (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LKM EP (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LNE (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LNN (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LNZ (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 LOG (View in MDA)
A04D TA 2013 11 05 00 00 00.0000 2013 11 05 01 00 00.9999 1 OCF (View in MDA)
```

# Asynchronous Requests: Wilber3



- Accesses event-windowed data
- You can specify
  - Networks and channel types
  - Station distance and azimuth range
- Allows you to preview waveforms before requesting them
- You can pick up your requested data using ftp or http at your convenience
- Returns, miniSEED, full SEED, SAC or ASCII

# Wilber3: Finding Events

<http://ds.iris.edu/wilber3/>

## Wilber 3: Select Event

Wilber Feedback/Questions

Looking for previously requested data? [View recent requests.](#)

Load Event Data: Past 30 days, all magnitudes

Wilber is currently displaying a predefined set of data, which allows very fast browsing and filtering using the controls below, but is limited to the given date and magnitude range. To select arbitrary date and magnitude ranges, select the **Custom Query** option above.



Show Only

Clear

Location

N  
W -114.61 22.59 E  
-58.45  
S

Date

2015-04-21 - 2015-05-21

Magnitude

0 - 10

138 events listed.

Download events

Date (UTC)	Region	Magnitude	Latitude	Longitude	Depth	Contributor
2015-05-21 16:54:10	Off Coast Of Northern Chile	MB 5.2	-27.21°	-72.05°	3.6 km	NEIC COMCAT
2015-05-21 13:25:28	Windward Islands	MB 4.2	11.17°	-61.98°	68.8 km	NEIC COMCAT
2015-05-21 06:04:00	Chile-Argentina Border Region	MB 4.6	-32.04°	-70.02°	113.5 km	NEIC COMCAT
2015-05-21 05:14:41	Near Coast Of Guatemala	MB 4.2	13.91°	-91.14°	66.8 km	NEIC COMCAT
2015-05-20 22:34:33	Peru-Ecuador Border Region	MB 5	-3.11°	-77.48°	42.2 km	NEIC COMCAT
2015-05-20 12:23:29	Off Coast Of Northern Chile	MWR 4.2	-19.80°	-71.08°	21.4 km	NEIC COMCAT

# Wilber3: Finding Stations

## Wilber 3: Select Stations

✉ Wilber Feedback/Questions

2015-05-21 MB5.2 Off Coast Of Northern Chile

Latitude	Longitude	Date	Depth	Magnitude	Description	Related Pages
27.2068° S	72.0479° W	2015-05-21 16:54:10 UTC	3.6 km	MB5.2	Off Coast Of Northern Chile	<a href="#">IRIS Event Page</a>

The map below shows stations operational during this event, filtered by the criteria in the form to the right.



### Request Only

Clear

#### Networks

✕ \_LACSN

#### Channels

✕ BH?

Set default networks/channels

#### Distance Range

0 - 25

#### Azimuth Range

-180 - 180  Invert

### Actions

Show Record Section

Request Data

Use the checkboxes below to add/remove individual stations from your request.

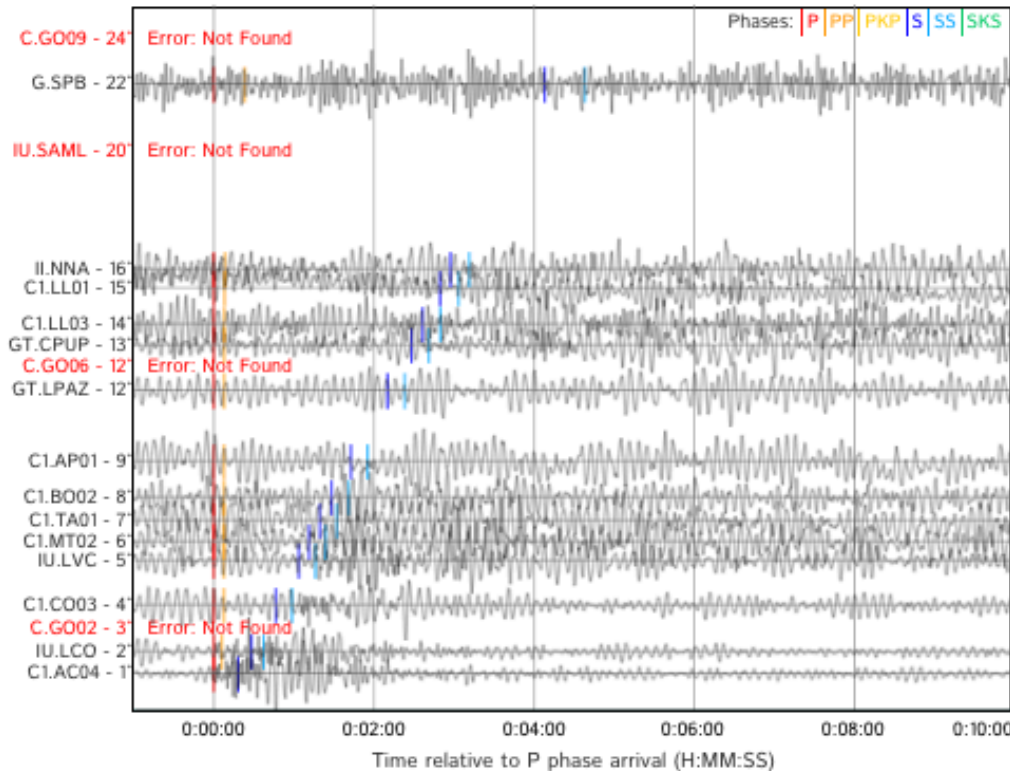
Selected 40 out of 40 stations. Select All None One station every								
	Station	Network	Latitude	Longitude	Distance	Azimuth	Elevation	Name
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AC04	C1	-28.20°	-71.07°	1.32'	139.39°	249 m	Llanos de Challe
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	GO03	C	-27.59°	-70.23°	1.66'	103.93°	730 m	Copiapo (Tierra Amarilla), Chile
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AC01	C1	-26.15°	-70.60°	1.67'	51.05°	346 m	Pan de Azucar
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LCO	IU	-29.01°	-70.70°	2.16'	146.94°	2274 m	Las Campanas Astronomical Observatory, Chile
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AC02	C1	-26.84°	-69.13°	2.63'	82.54°	3980 m	Maricunga
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	GO02	C	-25.16°	-69.59°	3.01'	47.72°	2550 m	Mina Guanaco, Chile



# Wilber3: Previewing data

## Record Section

Latitude	Longitude	Date	Depth	Magnitude	Description
27.2068° S	72.0479° W	2015-05-21 16:54:10 UTC	3.6 km	MB5.2	Off Coast Of Northern Chile



### Time Range

From 1 minutes

before P arrival

until 10 minutes

after P arrival

### Display

Channel: BHZ

Vertical size: 400 pixels

Hide records less than 10 pixels apart

Decimate to 1000 samples

Update

# Wilber3: Requesting data

## Wilber 3: Track Data Request

### Mary Templeton: 2015-05-21 MB5.2 Off Coast Of Northern Chile

You may bookmark this page and visit it later to monitor or download your data.

This page (and any requested data) will expire in a few days.

#### Event

<b>Date</b>	2015-05-21 16:54:10 UTC	<b>Description</b>	Off Coast Of Northern Chile
<b>Latitude</b>	27.2° S	<b>Magnitude</b>	MB5.2
<b>Longitude</b>	72.0° W	<b>Catalog</b>	NEIC PDE
<b>Depth</b>	4	<b>Contributor</b>	NEIC COMCAT



[View this event in Wilber](#)

#### Requested Data

**Success**

[Download data](#)

Completed 6 of 6 (100%)

1. **Done** Prepare for processing
2. **Done** Build selection file
3. **Done** Fetch timeseries data
4. **Done** Deliver files to pickup area
5. **Done** Log data statistics
6. **Done** Clean up

[View full log](#)

<b>Data</b>	404 channels
<b>Output Format</b>	Miniseed
<b>Submitted</b>	May 21, 2015, 1:51 p.m. (28 minutes ago)
<b>Completed</b>	May 21, 2015, 1:52 p.m. (took 0 minutes)

# Web Service Requests: dataselect

<http://service.iris.edu/fdsnws/dataselect/1/>

- Accesses continuous data
- Data is pushed to your computer by http when request is submitted.
- Best for small- to moderate-sized requests
- Returns miniSEED in a single large file that can be split with any of these freely available programs:
  - <https://seiscode.iris.washington.edu/projects/mseed2sac>
  - <https://seiscode.iris.washington.edu/projects/mseed2ascii>
  - <https://seiscode.iris.washington.edu/projects/dataselect>

# Web Service Requests: timeseries

<http://service.iris.edu/irisws/timeseries/1/>

- Accesses continuous data
- You may specify the following processing options for requested data:

Filtering

Mean removal

Scaling

Instrument response removal

Differentiation, integration

decimation

- Returns
  - miniSEED, SAC, ASCII or WAV files to your computer or
  - PNG plots to your browser

# Web Service Requests: station

<http://service.iris.edu/fdsnws/station/1/>






- Accesses metadata
- You may request metadata for these levels:
  - Network
  - Station
  - Channel
  - Response
- Returns FDSN stationXML or text to your browser

# If you like to explore further...

<http://ds.iris.edu/ds/nodes/dmc/tools/##>

## Tools

Tools typically refers to **online (or web-based) applications** that you do not download directly to your computer. The IRIS DMC offers a wide array of online tools for interrogating our data holdings and generating files in a number of formats.

Name	Description	Interface	Data Type	Data Format
<b>Assembled Data</b>	Browse pre-assembled data sets, mostly from temporary deployments.	<a href="#">Query Form</a>	<a href="#">Timeseries</a>	
<b>BREQ_FAST</b>	Request data by email. This is the most common way to make a data request.	<a href="#">Email</a>	<a href="#">Timeseries</a>	<a href="#">SEED</a>
 <b>BUD Monitor</b>	Near-real time miniSEED data holdings that have not yet been formally archived.	<a href="#">Monitor</a>	<a href="#">Metadata</a>	<a href="#">Dataless SEED</a>
<b>Data Channels Wizard</b>	An interactive tool for exploring the 3-character SEED format for time series channel codes ( <b>BHZ</b> , <b>LHE</b> , etc.).	<a href="#">Browse</a>	<a href="#">Metadata</a>	
<b>Dataless Request</b>	A web form allowing direct request of a Dataless SEED file.	<a href="#">Query Form</a>	<a href="#">Metadata</a>	<a href="#">Dataless SEED</a>
 <b>Event Monitor</b>	Quick overview of any event, along with links to all IRIS tools that provide information about that event.	<a href="#">Browse</a>	<a href="#">Events</a>	
 <b>GMap</b>	A browsable map of stations by network, time range, and a variety of other parameters.	<a href="#">Browse</a>	<a href="#">Metadata</a>	
 <b>IEB</b>	An interactive map service for viewing Earthquake Epicenters superimposed on a map of the world.	<a href="#">Browse</a>	<a href="#">Events</a>	<a href="#">QuakeML</a>
 <b>MDA</b>	Metadata Aggregator shows information	<a href="#">Browse</a>	<a href="#">Metadata</a>	<a href="#">Dataless SEED</a>

### Looking for a particular feature?

Select from the features below to show only tools that support those features.

#### Interface

The way you interact with the tool

- Email
- Query Form
- Browse
- API
- Monitor

#### Data Type

The types of data that the tool can produce

[More about data types](#)

- Timeseries
- Metadata
- Events
- Products
- Data Quality

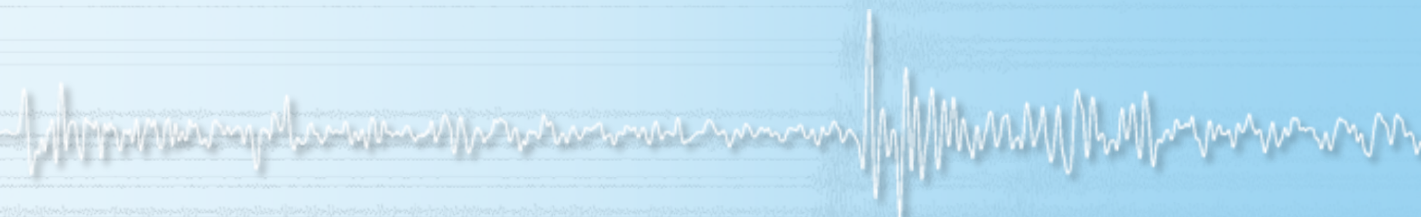
#### Data Format

The file types or protocols that the tool understands

[More about data formats](#)

- SEED
- MiniSEED
- Dataless SEED
- SeedLink
- SAC
- StationXML
- QuakeML

The Data Tool Matrix provides a more complete list of data types and access tools available from IRIS DMC



...then Friday's 9:30 am breakout  
session may be for you!

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