
SeisIO Documentation

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SeisIO is a collection of utilities for reading and downloading geophysical timeseries data.

1.1 Introduction

SeisIO is a framework for working with univariate geophysical data. SeisIO is designed around three basic principles:

- Ease of use: you shouldn't *need* a PhD to study geophysical data.
- Fluidity: working with data shouldn't feel *clumsy*.
- Performance: speed and efficient memory usage *matter*.

The project is home to an expanding set of web clients, file format readers, and analysis utilities.

1.1.1 Overview

SeisIO stores data in minimalist containers that track the bare necessities for analysis. New data are easily added with basic commands like `+`. Unwanted channels can be removed just as easily. Data can be saved to a native SeisIO format or written to other supported file formats.

1.1.2 Installation

From the Julia prompt: press `]` to enter the Pkg environment, then type

```
add SeisIO; build; precompile
```

Dependencies should install automatically. To verify that everything works correctly, type

```
test SeisIO
```

and allow 10-20 minutes for tests to complete. To get started, exit the Pkg environment by pressing Backspace or Control + C, then type

```
using SeisIO
```

at the Julia prompt. You'll need to repeat that last step whenever you restart Julia, as with any command-line interpreter (CLI) language.

1.1.3 Getting Started

The *tutorial* is designed as a gentle introduction for people less familiar with the Julia language. If you already have some familiarity with Julia, you probably want to start with one of the following topics:

- *Working with Data*: learn how to manage data using SeisIO
- *Reading Data*: learn how to read data from file
- *Requesting Data*: learn how to make web requests

1.1.4 Updating

From the Julia prompt: press `]` to enter the Pkg environment, then type `update`. Once updates finish, restart Julia to use them.

1.1.5 Getting Help

In addition to these documents, a number of help documents can be called at the Julia prompt. These commands are a useful starting point:

```
?chanspec      # how to specify channels in web requests
?get_data      # how to download data
?read_data     # how to read data from file
?timespec     # how to specify times in web requests and data processing
?seed_support  # how much of the SEED data standard is supported?
?seis_www      # list strings for data sources in web requests
?SeisData      # information about SeisIO data types
?SeisIO.KW     # SeisIO shared keywords and their meanings
```

1.2 First Steps

SeisIO is designed around easy, fluid, and fast data access. At the most basic level, SeisIO uses an array-like custom object called a **SeisChannel** for single-channel data; **SeisData** objects store multichannel data and can be created by combining SeisChannels.

1.2.1 Start Here

Create a new, empty **SeisChannel** object with

```
Ch = SeisChannel()
```

The meanings of the field names are explained [here](#); you can also type `?SeisChannel` at the Julia prompt. You can edit field values manually, e.g.,

```
Ch.loc = [-90.0, 0.0, 9300.0, 0.0, 0.0]
Ch.name = "South pole"
```


or you can set them with keywords at creation:

```
Ch = SeisChannel(name="MANOWAR JAJAJA")
```

SeisData structures are collections of channel data. They can be created with the SeisData() command, which can optionally create any number of empty channels at a time, e.g.,

```
S = SeisData(1)
```

They can be explored similarly:

```
S.name[1] = "South pole"
S.loc[1] = [-90.0, 0.0, 9300.0, 0.0, 0.0]
```

A collection of channels becomes a SeisData structure:

```
S = SeisData(SeisChannel(), SeisChannel())
```

You can push channels onto existing SeisData structures, like adding one key to a dictionary:

```
push!(S, Ch)
```

Note that this copies Ch to a new channel in S – S[3] is not a view into C. This is deliberate, as otherwise the workspace quickly becomes a mess of redundant channels. Clean up with Ch = [] to free memory before moving on.

1.2.2 Operations on SeisData structures

We're now ready for a short tutorial of what we can do with data structures. In the commands below, as in most of this documentation, **Ch** is a SeisChannel object and **S** is a SeisData object.

Adding channels to a SeisData structure

You've already seen one way to add a channel to SeisData: push!(S, SeisChannel()) adds an empty channel. Here are others:

```
append!(S, SeisData(n))
```

Adds n channels to the end of S by creating a new n-channel SeisData and appending it, similar to adding two dictionaries together.

These methods are aliased to the addition operator:

```
S += SeisChannel()      # equivalent to push!(S, SeisChannel())
S += randseisdata(3)    # adds a random 3-element SeisData structure to S in_
                        ↪place
S = SeisData(randseisdata(5), SeisChannel(),
             SeisChannel(id="UW.SEP..EHZ", name="Darth Exploded",
                          loc=[46.1967, -122.1875, 1440, 0.0, 0.0]))
```

Most web request functions can append to an existing SeisData object by placing an exclamation mark after the function call. You can see how this works by running the [examples](#).

Search, Sort, and Prune

The easiest way to find channels of interest in a data structure is to use `findid`, but you can obtain an array of partial matches with `findchan`:

```
S = SeisData(randseisdata(5), SeisChannel(),
             SeisChannel(id="UW.SEP..EHZ", name="Darth Exploded",
                          loc=[46.1967, -122.1875, 1440, 0.0, 0.0], x=rand(1024)))
findid(S, "UW.SEP..EHZ")      # 7
findchan(S, "EHZ")            # [7], maybe others depending on randseisdata
```

You can sort by channel ID with the `sort` command.

Several functions exist to prune empty and unwanted channels from `SeisData` structures.

```
delete!(S, 1:2) # Delete first two channels of S
S -= 3          # Delete third channel of S

# Extract S[1] as a SeisChannel, removing it from S
C = pull(S, 1)

# Delete all channels whose S.x is empty
prune!(S)

# Delete channels containing ".SEP."
delete!(S, ".SEP.", exact=false)
```

In the last example, specifying `exact=false` means that any channel whose ID partly matches the string “.SEP.” gets deleted; by default, passing a string to `delete!(S, str)` only matches channels where `str` is the exact ID. This is an efficient way to remove unresponsive subnets and unwanted channel types, but beware of clumsy over-matching.

1.2.3 Next Steps

Because tracking arbitrary operations can be difficult, several functions have been written to keep track of data and operations in a semi-automated way. See the next section, [working with data](#), for detailed discussion of managing data from the Julia command prompt.

1.3 Working with Data

This section describes how to track and manage SeisIO data.

1.3.1 Creating Data Containers

Create a new, empty object using any of the following commands:

Object	Purpose
SeisChannel()	A single channel of univariate (usually time-series) data
SeisData()	Multichannel univariate (usually time-series) data
SeisHdr()	Header structure for discrete seismic events
SeisEvent()	Discrete seismic events; includes SeisHdr and SeisData objects

1.3.2 Acquiring Data

- Read files with *read_data*
- Make web requests with *get_data*
- Initiate real-time streaming sessions to SeisData objects with *SeedLink!*

1.3.3 Keeping Track

A number of auxiliary functions exist to keep track of channels:

findchan (*id::String*, *S::SeisData*)

findchan (*S::SeisData*, *id::String*)

Get all channel indices *i* in *S* with *id* ∈ *S.id[i]*. Can do partial id matches, e.g. `findchan(S, "UW.")` returns indices to all channels whose IDs begin with "UW."

findid (*S::SeisData*, *id*)

Return the index of the first channel in *S* where *id* = **id**. Requires an exact string match; intended as a low-memory equivalent to `findfirst` for ids.

findid (*S::SeisData*, *Ch::SeisChannel*)

Equivalent to `findfirst(S.id.==Ch.id)`.

namestrip! (*S[, convention]*)

Remove bad characters from the *:name* fields of *S*. Specify convention as a string (default is "File"):

Convention	Characters Removed: ^(a)
"File"	"\$* / : < > ? @ \ ^ ~ DEL
"HTML"	" & ' ; < > © DEL
"Julia"	\$ \ DEL
"Markdown"	! # () * + - . [\] _ ` { }
"SEED"	. DEL
"Strict"	! " # \$ % & ' () * + , - . / : ; < = > ? @ [\] ^ ` { } ~ DEL

^(a) DEL here is `\x7f` (ASCII/Unicode U+007f).

timestamp ()

Return current UTC time formatted `yyyy-mm-ddTHH:MM:SS.μμμ.`

track_off! (S)

Turn off tracking in S and return a boolean vector of which channels were added or altered significantly.

track_on! (S)

Begin tracking changes in S. Tracks changes to :id, channel additions, and changes to data vector sizes in S.x.

Does not track data processing operations on any channel i unless length(S.x[i]) changes for channel i (e.g. filtering is not tracked).

Warning: If you have or suspect gapped data in any channel, calling `ungap!` while tracking is active will flag a channel as changed.

Source Logging

The :src field records the *last* source used to populate each channel (usually a file name and path or a web request URL).

When a data source is added to a channel, including the first time data are added, this is recorded in :notes with the syntax (timestamp) +src: (function) (src).

1.3.4 Channel Maintenance

A few functions exist specifically to simplify data maintenance:

prune! (S::SeisData)

Delete all channels from S that have no data (i.e. S.x is empty or non-existent).

C = pull(S::SeisData, id::String)

Extract the first channel with id=id from S and return it as a new SeisChannel structure. The corresponding channel in S is deleted.

C = pull(S::SeisData, i::integer)

Extract channel i from S as a new SeisChannel object C, and delete the corresponding channel from S.

1.3.5 Taking Notes

Functions that add and process data note these operations in the :notes field of each object affected. One can also add custom notes with the `note!` command:

note!(S, i, str)

Append str with a timestamp to the :notes field of channel number i of S.

note!(S, id, str)

As above for the first channel in S whose id is an exact match to id.

note!(S, str)

if **str*** mentions a channel name or ID, only the corresponding channel(s) in ****S** is annotated; otherwise, all channels are annotated.

Clear all notes from channel **i** of **S**.

```
clear_notes!(S, id)
```

Clear all notes from the first channel in **S** whose **id** field exactly matches **id**.

```
clear_notes!(S)
```

Clear all notes from every channel in **S**.

2.1 Reading Files

```
read_data!(S, fmt::String, filepat [, KWs])  
S = read_data(fmt::String, filepat [, KWs])
```

Read data from a supported file format into memory.

fmt

Lowercase string describin the file format. See below.

filepat

Read files with names matching pattern `filepat`. Supports wildcards.

KWs

Keyword arguments; see also *SeisIO standard KWs* or type `?SeisIO.KW`.

Standard keywords: `full`, `nx_add`, `nx_new`, `v`

Other keywords: See below.

2.1.1 Supported File Formats

File Format	String
GeoCSV, time-sample pair	geocsv
GeoCSV, sample list	geocsv.slist
Lennartz ASCII	lenartzascii
Mini-SEED, SEED	mseed
PASSCAL SEG Y	passcal
SAC	sac
SEG Y (rev 0 or rev 1)	seggy
UW	uw
Win32	win32

Strings are case-sensitive to prevent any performance impact from using matches and/or lowercase().

2.1.2 Supported Keywords

KW	Used By	Type	Default	Meaning
cf	win32	String	""	win32 channel info filestr
full	sac	Bool	false	read full header into :misc?
	segy			
	uw			
nx_add	mseed	Int64	360000	minimum size increase of :x
nx_new	mseed	Int64	86400000	length of :x for new channels
jst	win32	Bool	true	are sample times JST (UTC+9)?
swap	seed	Bool	true	byte swap?
v	mseed	Int64	0	verbosity
	uw			
	win32			

Performance Tip

With mseed or win32 data, adjust `nx_new` and `nx_add` based on the sizes of the data vectors that you expect to read. If the largest has N_{max} samples, and the smallest has N_{min} , we recommend $nx_new=N_{min}$ and $nx_add=N_{max}-N_{min}$.

Default values can be changed in SeisIO keywords, e.g.,

```
SeisIO.KW.nx_new = 60000
SeisIO.KW.nx_add = 360000
```

The system-wide defaults are $nx_new=86400000$ and $nx_add=360000$. Using these values with very small jobs will greatly decrease performance.

Examples

- `S = read_data("uw", "99011116541W", full=true)`**
 - Read UW-format data file 99011116541W
 - Store full header information in :misc
- `read_data!(S, "sac", "MSH80*.SAC")`**
 - Read SAC-format files matching string pattern `MSH80*.SAC`
 - Read into existing SeisData object `S`
- `S = read_data("win32", "20140927*.cnt", cf="20140927*ch", nx_new=360000)`**

- Read win32-format data files with names matching pattern 2014092709*.cnt
- Use ASCII channel information filenames that match pattern 20140927*ch
- Assign new channels an initial size of `nx_new` samples

2.1.3 Format Descriptions and Notes

GeoCSV: an extension of “human-readable”, tabular file format Comma- Separated Values (CSV).

Lennartz ASCII: ASCII output of Lennartz portable digitizers.

PASSCAL: A single-channel variant SEG Y format developed by PASSCAL/New Mexico Tech and commonly used with PASSCAL field equipment. PASSCAL differs from SEG Y in that PASSCAL format uses neither file headers nor extended textural headers, and the number of samples per trace can exceed 32767.

SEED: SEED stands for Standard for the Exchange of Earthquake Data; used by the International Federation of Digital Seismograph Networks (FDSN) as an omnibus seismic data standard. mini-SEED is a data-only variant that uses only data blockettes and allows longer data records.

SAC: the Seismic Analysis Code data format, originally developed for the eponymous command-line interpreter. Widely used, and supported in virtually every programming language.

SEG Y: Society of Exploration Geophysicists data format. Common in the energy industry, developed and maintained by the SEG. Only SEG Y rev 0 and [rev 1](#) with standard headers are supported.

UW: the University of Washington data format has no online reference and is no longer in use. Created by the Pacific Northwest Seismic Network for event archival; used through the early 2000s. A UW event is described by a pickfile and a corresponding data file, whose names are identical except for the last character; for example, the files 99062109485o and 99062109485W describe event 99062109485. Unlike the win32 data format, the data file is self-contained; the pick file is not required to use raw trace data. Only UW-2 data files are supported by SeisIO; we have never encountered a UW-1 data file outside of Exabyte tapes and have no reason to suspect that any remain in circulation.

Win32: data format developed by the NIED (National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Prevention), Japan. Data are typically divided into files that contain a minute of continuous data from several channels. Data within each file are stored by channel in one-second segments as variable-precision delta-encoded integers. Channel information is retrieved from an external channel information file. Although accurate channel files are needed to use win32 data, these files are not strictly controlled by any central authority and inconsistencies in channel parameters, particularly gains, are known to exist.

2.1.4 Other File I/O Functions

readuwevt (*fpat*)

Read University of Washington-format event data with file pattern stub *fpat*. *fstub* can be a datafile name, a pickname, or a stub.

rseis (*fname*)

Read SeisIO native format data into an array of SeisIO structures.

sachdr (*fname*)

Print headers from SAC file to stdout.

segyhdr (*fname* [, *PASSCAL=true::Bool*])

Print headers from SEG Y file to stdout. Specify *passcal=true* for PASSCAL SEG Y.

uwdf (*dfname*)

Parse UW event data file *dfname* into a new SeisEvent structure.

uwpf! (*evt*, *pfname*)

Parse UW event pick file into SeisEvent structure.

uwpf (*pfname*)

Parse UW event pick file *pfname* into a new SeisEvent structure.

writesac (*S* [, *ts=true*])

Write SAC data to SAC files with auto-generated names. Specify *ts=true* to write time stamps; this will flag the file as generic x-y data in the SAC interpreter.

wseis (*fname*, *S*)

wseis (*fname*, *S*, *T*, *U...*)

Write SeisIO data to *fname*. Multiple objects can be written at once.

3.1 Web Requests

Data requests use `get_data!` for FDSN or IRIS data services; for (near) real-time streaming, see [SeedLink](#).

```
get_data!(S, method, channels; KWs)
```

```
S = get_data(method, channels; KWs)
```

Retrieve time-series data from a web archive to SeisData structure `S`.

method

“IRIS”: [IRISWS](#).

“FDSN”: [FDSNWS dataset](#). Change FDSN servers with keyword `--src` using the [server list](#) (also available by typing `?seis_www`).

channels

Channels to retrieve; can be passed as a *string*, *string array*, or *parameter file*. Type `?chanspec` at the Julia prompt for more info.

KWs

Keyword arguments; see also [SeisIO standard KWs](#) or type `?SeisIO.KW`.

Standard keywords: `fmt`, `nd`, `opts`, `rad`, `reg`, `si`, `to`, `v`, `w`, `y`

Other keywords:

`--s`: Start time

`--t`: Termination (end) time

3.1.1 Examples

1. `get_data!(S, "FDSN", "UW.SEP..EHZ,UW.SHW..EHZ,UW.HSR..EHZ", "IRIS", t=(-600))`: using FDSNWS, get the last 10 minutes of data from three short-period vertical-component channels at Mt. St. Helens, USA.

2. `get_data!(S, "IRIS", "CC.PALM..EHN", "IRIS", t=(-120), f="sacbl"):` using IRISWS, fetch the last two minutes of data from component EHN, station PALM (Palmer Lift (Mt. Hood), OR, USA.), network CC (USGS Cascade Volcano Observatory, Vancouver, WA, USA), in bigendian SAC format, and merge into SeisData structure *S*.
3. `get_data!(S, "FDSN", "CC.TIMB..EHZ", "IRIS", t=(-600), w=true):` using FDSNWS, get the last 10 minutes of data from channel EHZ, station TIMB (Timberline Lodge, OR, USA), save the data directly to disk, and add it to SeisData structure *S*.
4. `S = get_data("FDSN", "HV.MOKD..HHZ", "IRIS", s="2012-01-01T00:00:00", t=(-3600)):` using FDSNWS, fill a new SeisData structure *S* with an hour of data ending at 2012-01-01, 00:00:00 UTC, from HV.MOKD..HHZ (USGS Hawai'i Volcano Observatory).

3.1.2 FDSN Queries

The [International Federation of Digital Seismograph Networks \(FDSN\)](#) is a global organization that supports seismology research. The FDSN web protocol offers near-real-time access to data from thousands of instruments across the world.

FDSN queries in SeisIO are highly customizable; see [data keywords list](#) and [channel id syntax](#).

Data Query

`get_data!(S, "FDSN", channels; KWs)`

`S = get_data("FDSN", channels; KWs)`

FDSN data query with `get_data!` wrapper.

Shared keywords: `fmt`, `nd`, `opts`, `rad`, `reg`, `s`, `si`, `t`, `to`, `v`, `w`, `y`

Other keywords:

`--s:` Start time

`--t:` Termination (end) time

`xf:` Name of XML file to save station metadata

Station Query

`FDSNsta!(S, chans, KW)`

`S = FDSNsta(chans, KW)`

Fill channels *chans* of SeisData structure *S* with information retrieved from remote station XML files by web query.

Shared keywords: `src`, `to`, `v`

Other keywords:

--s: Start time
--t: Termination (end) time

Event Header Query

H = FDSNevq(ot)

Shared keywords: evw, rad, reg, mag, nev, src, to, v, w

Multi-server query for the event(s) with origin time(s) closest to *ot*. Returns a SeisHdr.

Notes:

1. Specify *ot* as a string formatted YYYY-MM-DDThh:mm:ss in UTC (e.g. “2001-02-08T18:54:32”). Returns a SeisHdr array.
2. Incomplete string queries are read to the nearest fully-specified time constraint; thus, *FDSNevq*(“2001-02-08”) returns the nearest event to 2001-02-08T00:00:00.
3. If no event is found in the specified search window, *FDSNevq* exits with an error.

Shared keywords: evw, reg, mag, nev, src, to, w

Event Header and Data Query

Ev = FDSNevt(ot::String, chans::String)

Get trace data for the event closest to origin time *ot* on channels *chans*. Returns a SeisEvent.

Shared keywords: fmt, mag, nd, opts, pha, rad, reg, src, to, v, w

Other keywords:

--len: desired record length *in minutes*.

3.1.3 IRIS Queries

Incorporated Research Institutions for Seismology ([IRIS](#)) is a consortium of universities dedicated to the operation of science facilities for the acquisition, management, and distribution of seismological data.

Data Query Features

- Stage zero gains are removed from trace data; all IRIS data will appear to have a gain of 1.0.
- IRISWS disallows wildcards in channel IDs.
- Channel spec *must* include the net, sta, cha fields; thus, CHA = “CC.VALT..BHZ” is OK; CHA = “CC.VALT” is not.

Phase Onset Query

Command-line interface to IRIS online travel time calculator, which calls TauP [1-2]. Returns a matrix of strings.

Specify Δ in decimal degrees, z in km with + = down.

Shared keywords keywords: pha, to, v

Other keywords:

`-model`: velocity model (defaults to “iasp91”)

References

- Crotwell, H. P., Owens, T. J., & Ritsema, J. (1999). The TauP Toolkit: Flexible seismic travel-time and ray-path utilities, SRL 70(2), 154-160.
- TauP manual: <http://www.seis.sc.edu/downloads/TauP/taup.pdf>

3.2 SeedLink

SeedLink is a TCP/IP-based data transmission protocol that allows near-real-time access to data from thousands of geophysical monitoring instruments. See *data keywords list* and *channel id syntax* for options.

SeedLink! (*S*, *chans*, *KWs*)

SeedLink! (*S*, *chans*, *patts*, *KWs*)

S = **SeedLink**(*chans*, *KWs*)

chans

Channel specification can use any of the following options:

1. A comma-separated String where each pattern follows the syntax NET.STA.LOC.CHA.DFLAG, e.g. UW.TDH..EHZ.D. Use “?” to match any single character.
2. An Array{String,1} with one pattern per entry, following the above syntax.
3. The name of a configuration text file, with one channel pattern per line; see *Channel Configuration File syntax*.

patts

Data selection patterns. See official SeedLink documentation; syntax is identical.

KWs

Keyword arguments; see also *SeisIO standard KWs* or type `?SeisIO.KW`.

Standard keywords: fmt, opts, q, si, to, v, w, y

SL keywords: gap, kai, mode, port, refresh, safety, x_on_err

Other keywords:

u specifies the URL without “http://”

Initiate a SeedLink session in DATA mode to feed data from channels `chans` with selection patterns `patts` to SeisData structure `S`. A handle to a TCP connection is appended to `S.c`. Data are periodically parsed until the connection is closed. One SeisData object can support multiple connections, provided that each connection’s streams feed unique channels.

3.2.1 Special Rules

1. **SeedLink follows unusual rules for wild cards in `sta` and `patts`:**
 - a. `*` is not a valid SeedLink wild card.
 - b. The LOC and CHA fields can be left blank in `sta` to select all locations and channels.
2. **DO NOT feed one data channel with multiple SeedLink streams. This can have severe consequences:**
 - a. A channel fed by multiple live streams will have many small time sequences out of order. `merge!` is not guaranteed to fix it.
 - b. SeedLink will almost certainly crash.
 - c. Your data may be corrupted.
 - d. The Julia interpreter can freeze, requiring `kill -9` on the process.
 - e. This is not an “issue”. There will never be a workaround. It’s what happens when one intentionally causes TCP congestion on one’s own machine while writing to open data streams in memory. Hint: don’t do this.

3.2.2 Special Methods

- `close(S.c[i])` ends SeedLink connection `i`.
- `!deleteat(S.c, i)` removes a handle to closed SeedLink connection `i`.

SeedLink Utilities

SL_info(`v`, `url`)

Retrieve SeedLink information at verbosity level `v` from `url`. Returns XML as a string. Valid strings for `L` are ID, CAPABILITIES, STATIONS, STREAMS, GAPS, CONNECTIONS, ALL.

has_sta(`sta`[, `u=url`, `port=n`])

SL keywords: gap, port

Other keywords: `u` specifies the URL without “[http://](#)”

Check that streams exist at *url* for stations *sta*, formatted NET.STA. Use “?” to match any single character. Returns true for stations that exist. *sta* can also be the name of a valid config file or a 1d string array.

Returns a BitArray with one value per entry in *sta*.

has_stream(*cha*::Union{String, Array{String, 1}}, *u*::String)

SL keywords: gap, port

Other keywords: `u` specifies the URL without “[http://](#)”

Check that streams with recent data exist at url *u* for channel spec *cha*, formatted NET.STA.LOC.CHA.DFLAG, e.g. “UW.TDH.EHZ.D, CC.HOOD..BH?.E”. Use “?” to match any single character. Returns *true* for streams with recent data.

cha can also be the name of a valid config file.

has_stream(*sta*::Array{String, 1}, *sel*::Array{String, 1}, *u*::String, *port*=N::Int, *gap*=G::Real)

SL keywords: gap, port

Other keywords: `u` specifies the URL without “[http://](#)”

If two arrays are passed to `has_stream`, the first should be formatted as SeedLink STATION patterns (formatted “SSSSS NN”, e.g. [“TDH UW”, “VALT CC”]); the second be an array of SeedLink selector patterns (formatted LLCCC.D, e.g. [“??EHZ.D”, “??BH?.?”]).

PROCESSING

4.1 Data Processing Functions

Supported processing operations are described below. Functions are organized categorically.

In most cases, a “safe” version of each function can be invoked to create a new `SeisData` object with the processed output.

Any function that can logically operate on a `SeisChannel` object will do so. Any function that operates on a `SeisData` object will also operate on a `SeisEvent` object by applying itself to the `SeisData` object in the `:data` field.

4.1.1 Signal Processing

Remove the mean from all channels `i` with `S.fs[i] > 0.0`. Specify `irr=true` to also remove the mean from irregularly sampled channels. Ignores NaNs.

Remove the polynomial trend of degree `n` from every regularly-sampled channel `i` in `S` using a least-squares polynomial fit. Ignores NaNs.

`equalize_resp!(S, resp_new::Array[, hc_new=HC, C=CH])`

Translate all data in `SeisData` structure `S` to instrument response `resp_new`. Expected structure of `resp_new` is a complex Float64 2d array with zeros in `resp[:,1]`, poles in `resp[:,2]`. If channel `i` has key `S.misc[i][“hc”]`, the corresponding value is used as the critical damping constant; otherwise a value of 1.0 is assumed.

`filtfilt!(S::SeisData[, KWs])`

Apply a zero-phase filter to data in `S.x`.

`filtfilt!(Ev::SeisEvent[, KWs])`

Apply zero-phase filter to `Ev.data.x`.

`filtfilt!(C::SeisChannel[, KWs])`

Apply zero-phase filter to `C.x`

Filtering is applied to each contiguous data segment of each channel separately.

Keywords Keywords control filtering behavior; specify e.g. `filtfilt!(S, fl=0.1, np=2, rt="Lowpass")`. Default values can be changed by adjusting the *shared keywords*, e.g., `SeisIO.KW.Filt.np = 2` changes the default number of poles to 2.

KW	Default	Type	Description
fl	1.0	Float64	lower corner frequency [Hz] ^(a)
fh	15.0	Float64	upper corner frequency [Hz] ^(a)
np	4	Int64	number of poles
rp	10	Int64	pass-band ripple (dB)
rs	30	Int64	stop-band ripple (dB)
rt	"Bandpass"	String	response type (type of filter)
dm	"Butterworth"	String	design mode (name of filter)

^(a) By convention, the lower corner frequency (fl) is used in a Highpass filter, and fh is used in a Lowpass filter.

taper! (S)

Cosine taper each channel in S around time gaps.

unscale! (S[, irr=false])

Divide the gains from all channels **i** with `S.fs[i] > 0.0`. Specify `irr=true` to also remove gains of irregularly-sampled channels.

4.1.2 Merge

merge! (S::SeisData, U::SeisData)

Merge two SeisData structures. For timeseries data, a single-pass merge-and-prune operation is applied to value pairs whose sample times are separated by less than half the sampling interval.

merge! (S::SeisData)

"Flatten" a SeisData structure by merging data from identical channels.

Merge Behavior

Which channels merge?

- Channels merge if they have identical values for `:id`, `:fs`, `:loc`, `:resp`, and `:units`.
- An unset `:loc`, `:resp`, or `:units` field matches any set value in the corresponding field of another channel.

What happens to merged fields?

- The essential properties above are preserved.

- Other fields are combined.
- Merged channels with different *:name* values use the name of the channel with the latest data before the merge; other names are logged to *:notes*.

What does `merge!` resolve?

Issue	Resolution
Empty channels	Delete
Duplicated channels	Delete duplicate channels
Duplicated windows in channel(s)	Delete duplicate windows
Multiple channels, same properties ^(a)	Merge to a single channel
Channel with out-of-order time windows	Sort in chronological order
Overlapping windows, identical data, time-aligned	Windows merged
Overlapping windows, identical data, small time offset ^(a)	Time offset corrected, windows merged
Overlapping windows, non-identical data	Samples averaged, windows merged

^(a) “Properties” here are *:id*, *:fs*, *:loc*, *:resp*, and *:units*. ^(b) Data offset >4 sample intervals are treated as overlapping and non-identical.

When SeisIO Won’t Merge

SeisIO does **not** combine data channels if **any** of the five fields above are non-empty and different. For example, if a `SeisData` object *S* contains two channels, each with id “XX.FOO..BHZ”, but one has *fs*=100 Hz and the other *fs*=50 Hz, **`merge!`** does nothing.

It’s best to merge only unprocessed data. Data segments that were processed independently (e.g. detrended) will be averaged pointwise when merged, which can easily leave data in an unusable state.

4.1.3 Synchronize

`sync! (S::SeisData)`

Synchronize the start times of all data in *S* to begin at or after the last start time in *S*.

`sync! (S::SeisData[, s=ST, t=EN, v=VV])`

Synchronize all data in *S* to start at *ST* and terminate at *EN* with verbosity level *VV*.

For regularly-sampled channels, gaps between the specified and true times are filled with the mean; this isn’t possible with irregularly-sampled data.

- *s*="last": (Default) sync to the last start time of any channel in *S*.
- *s*="first": sync to the first start time of any channel in *S*.
- A numeric value is treated as an epoch time (*?time* for details).

- A `DateTime` is treated as a `DateTime`. (see `Dates.DateTime` for details.)
- Any string other than “last” or “first” is parsed as a `DateTime`.
- `t="none"`: (Default) end times are not synchronized.
- `t="last"`: synchronize all channels to end at the last end time in *S*.
- `t="first"` synchronize to the first end time in *S*.
- numeric, datetime, and non-reserved strings are treated as for `-s`.

mseis!(*S*::*SeisData*, *U*::*SeisData*, ...)

Merge multiple *SeisData* structures into *S*.

4.1.4 Other Processing Functions

nanfill!(*S*)

For each channel *i* in *S*, replace all NaNs in *S.x[i]* with the mean of non-NaN values.

ungap!(*S*[, *m*=*true*])

For each channel *i* in *S*, fill time gaps in *S.t[i]* with the mean of non-NAN data in *S.x[i]*. If *m*=*false*, gaps are filled with NaNs.

APPENDICES

5.1 Utility Functions

This appendix covers utility functions that belong in no other category.

distaz! (*Ev::SeisEvent*)

Fill *Ev* with great-circle distance, azimuth, and back-azimuth for each channel. Writes to *evt.data.misc*.

d2u (*DT::DateTime*)

Aliased to `Dates.datetime2unix`.

Keyword `hc_new` specifies the new critical damping constant. Keyword `C` specifies an array of channel numbers on which to operate; by default, every channel with `fs > 0.0` is affected.

fctopz (*fc*)

Convert critical frequency *fc* to a matrix of complex poles and zeros; zeros in `resp[:,1]`, poles in `resp[:,2]`.

find_regex (*path::String, r::Regex*)

OS-agnostic equivalent to Linux *find*. First argument is a path string, second is a *Regex*. File strings are postprocessed using Julia's native PCRE *Regex* engine. By design, *find_regex* only returns file names.

(dist, az, baz) = gcdist([lat_src, lon_src], rec)

Compute great circle distance, azimuth, and backazimuth from source coordinates `[lat_src, lon_src]` to receiver coordinates in *rec* using the Haversine formula. *rec* must be a two-column matrix arranged `[lat lon]`. Returns a tuple of arrays.

getbandcode (*fs, fc=FC*)

Get SEED-compliant one-character band code corresponding to instrument sample rate *fs* and corner frequency *FC*. If unset, *FC* is assumed to be 1 Hz.

ls (*s::String*)

Similar functionality to Bash `ls` with OS-agnostic output. Accepts wildcards in paths and file names. * Always returns the full path and file name. * Partial file name wildcards (e.g. `"ls(data/2006*.sac)"`) invoke *glob*. * Path wildcards (e.g. `ls(/data/*/*.sac)`) invoke *find_regex* to circumvent *glob* limitations. * Passing

only “*” as a filename (e.g. “ls(/home/*)”) invokes *find_regex* to recursively search subdirectories, as in the Bash shell.

ls ()

Return full path and file name of files in current working directory.

j2md (y, j)

Convert Julian day **j** of year **y** to month, day.

md2j (y, m, d)

Convert month **m**, day **d** of year **y** to Julian day **j**.

Remove unwanted characters from **S**.

parsetimewin (s, t)

Convert times **s** and **t** to strings α, ω sorted $\alpha < \omega$. **s** and **t** can be real numbers, DateTime objects, or ASCII strings. Expected string format is “yyyy-mm-ddTHH:MM:SS.nnn”, e.g. 2016-03-23T11:17:00.333.

“Safe” synchronize of start and end times of all trace data in SeisData structure **S** to a new structure **U**.

u2d (x)

Alias to `Dates.unix2datetime`.

function:: w_time(W::Array{Int64,2}, fs::Float64)

Convert matrix **W** from time windows (w[:,1]:w[:,2]) in integer μs from the Unix epoch (1970-01-01T00:00:00) to sparse delta-encoded time representation. Specify **fs** in Hz.

5.1.1 RandSeis

This submodule is used to quickly generate SeisIO structures with quasi-random field contents. Access it by typing “using SeisIO.RandSeis”

- Channels have SEED-compliant IDs, sampling frequencies, and data types.
- Channel data are randomly generated.
- Some time gaps are automatically inserted into regularly-sampled data.
- Instrument location parameters are randomly set.

C = randSeisChannel ([, c=false, s=false])

Generate a SeisChannel of random data. Specify c=true for campaign-style (irregularly-sampled) data (fs = 0.0); specify s=true to guarantee seismic data. s=true overrides c=true.

Generate 8 to 24 channels of random seismic data as a SeisData object.

- 100*c% of channels *after the first* will have irregularly-sampled data (fs = 0.0)
- 100*s% of channels *after the first* are guaranteed to have seismic data.

randSeisData(N[, c=0.2, s=0.6])

Generate N channels of random seismic data as a SeisData object.

randSeisEvent ($[c=0.2, s=0.6]$)

Generate a SeisEvent structure filled with random values. * 100*c% of channels *after the first* will have irregularly-sampled data (fs = 0.0) * 100*s% of channels *after the first* are guaranteed to have seismic data.

H = randSeisHdr()

Generate a SeisHdr structure filled with random values.

5.2 Structure and Field Descriptions

5.2.1 SeisChannel Fields

Name	Type	Meaning
id	String	unique channel ID formatted <i>net.sta.loc.cha</i>
name	String	freeform channel name string
src	String	description of data source
units	String	units of dependent variable ¹
fs	Float64	sampling frequency in Hz
gain	Float64	scalar to convert x to SI units in flat part of power spectrum ²
loc	Array{Float64,1}	sensor location: [lat, lon, ele, az, inc] ³
resp	Array{Complex{Float64},2}	complex instrument response ⁴
misc	Dict{String,Any}	miscellaneous information ⁵
notes	Array{String,1}	timestamped notes
t	Array{Int64,2}	time gaps (<i>see below</i>)
x	Array{Float64,1}	univariate data

Table Footnotes

5.2.2 SeisData Fields

As SeisChannel, plus

Name	Type	Meaning
n	Int64	number of channels
c	Array{TCPSocket,1}	array of TCP connections

¹ Use [UCUM-compliant abbreviations](#) wherever possible.

² Gain has an identical meaning to the “Stage 0 gain” of FDSN XML.

³ Azimuth is measured clockwise from North; incidence of 0° = vertical; both use degrees.

⁴ Zeros in :resp[i][:,1], poles in :resp[i][:,2].

⁵ Arrays in :misc should each contain a single Type (e.g. Array{Float64,1}, never Array{Any,1}). See the [SeisIO file format description](#) for a full list of allowed value types in :misc.

Time Convention

The units of t are *integer microseconds*, measured from Unix epoch time (1970-01-01T00:00:00.000).

For *regularly sampled data* ($fs > 0.0$), each t is a sparse delta-compressed representation of *time gaps* in the corresponding x . The first column stores indices of gaps; the second, gap lengths.

Within each time field, $t[1, 2]$ stores the time of the first sample of the corresponding x . The last row of each t should always take the form ‘ $[length(x) \ 0]$ ’. Other rows take the form $[(starting\ index\ of\ gap)\ (length\ of\ gap)]$.

For *irregularly sampled data* ($fs = 0$), $t[:, 2]$ is a dense representation of *time stamps for each sample*.

5.2.3 SeisHdr Fields

Name	Type	Meaning
id	Int64	numeric event ID
ot	DateTime	origin time
loc	Array{Float64, 1}	hypocenter
mag	Tuple{Float32, String}	magnitude, scale
int	Tuple{UInt8, String}	intensity, scale
mt	Array{Float64, 1}	moment tensor: (1-6) tensor, (7) scalar moment, (8) %dc
np	Array{Tuple{Float64, Float64}, 1}	nodal planes
pax	Array{Tuple{Float64, Float64}, 1}	principal axes, ordered P, T, N
src	String	data source (e.g. url/filename)

5.2.4 SeisEvent Fields

Name	Type	Meaning
hdr	SeisHdr	event header
data	SeisData	event data

5.3 SeisIO File Format

Files are written in little-endian byte order.

Table 1: Abbreviations used in this section

Var	Meaning	Julia	C <code><stdint.h></code>
c	unsigned 8-bit character	Char	unsigned char
f32	32-bit float	Float32	float
f64	64-bit float	Float64	double
i64	signed 64-bit integer	Int64	int64_t
u8	unsigned 8-bit int	UInt8	uint8_t
u32	unsigned 32-bit int	UInt32	int32_t
u64	unsigned 64-bit int	UInt64	uint64_t
u(8)	unsigned 8-bit integer	UInt8	uint8_t
i(8)	signed 8-bit integer	Int8	int8_t
f(8)	8-bit float	Float8	float or double

5.3.1 File header

Table 2: File header (14 bytes + TOC)

Var	Meaning	T	N
	“SEISIO”	c	6
V	SeisIO version	f32	1
jv	Julia version	f32	1
J	# of SeisIO objects in file	u32	1
C	Character codes for each object	c	J
B	Byte indices for each object	u64	J

The Julia version stores `VERSION.major.VERSION.minor` as a `Float32`, e.g. `v0.5` is stored as `0.5f0`; SeisIO version is stored similarly.

Table 3: Object codes

Char	Meaning
‘D’	SeisData
‘H’	SeisHdr
‘E’	SeisEvent

5.3.2 SeisHdr

Structural overview:

```
Int64_vals
:mag[1]          # Float32
Float64_vals
UInt8_vals
:misc
```

Table 4: Int64 values

Var	Meaning
id	event id
ot	origin time in integer μs from Unix epoch
L_int	length of intensity scale string
L_src	length of src string
L_notes	length of notes string

Magnitude is stored as a Float32 after the Int64 values.

Table 5: Float64 values

Var	N	Meaning
loc	3	lat, lon, dep
mt	8	tensor, scalar moment, %dc
np	6	np (nodal planes: 1st, 2nd)
pax	9	pax (principal axes: P, T, N)

Table 6: UInt8 values

Var	N	Meaning
msc	2	magnitude scale characters
c	1	separator for notes
i	1	intensity value
i_sc	L_int	intensity scale string
src	L_src	:src as a string
notes	L_notes	:notes joined a string with delimiter c

Entries in Misc are stored after UInt8 values. See below for details.

5.3.3 SeisData

Structural overview:

```
S.n          # UInt32
# Repeated for each channel
Int64_vals
Float64_vals
UInt8_vals   # including compressed S.x
:misc
```

S.x is compressed with BloscLZ before writing to disk.

Channel data

Table 7: Int64 values

Var	N	Meaning
L_t		length(S.t)
r		length(S.resp)
L_units		length(S.units)
L_src		length(S.src)
L_name		length(S.name)
L_notes		length of notes string
lxc		length of BloscLZ-compressed S.x
L_x		length(S.x)
t	L_t	S.t

Table 8: Float64 values

Var	N	Meaning
fs	1	S.fs
gain	1	S.gain
loc	5	S.loc (lat, lon, dep, az, inc)
resp	2*r	real(S.resp[:]) followed by imag(S.resp[:])

Convert `resp` with `resp = rr[1:r] + im*rr[r+1:2*r]` and reshape to a two-column array with `r` rows. The first column of the new, complex-valued `resp` field holds zeros, the second holds poles.

Table 9: UInt8 values

Var	N	Meaning
c	1	separator for notes
ex	1	type code for S.x
id	15	S.id
units	L_units	S.units
src	L_src	S.src
name	L_name	S.name
notes	L_notes	S.notes joined as a string with delimiter <code>c</code>
xc	lxc	Blosc-compressed S.x

S.misc is written last, after the compressed S.x

Storing misc

`:misc` is a `Dict{String,Any}` for both `SeisData` and `SeisHdr`, with limited support for key value types. Structural overview:

```

L_keys
char_separator  # for keys
keys            # joined as a string
# for each key k
type_code       # UInt8 code for misc[k]
value           # value of misc[k]

```

Table 10: :misc keys

Var	Meaning	T	N
L	length of keys string	i64	1
p	character separator	u8	1
K	string of keys	u8	p

Table 11: Supported :misc value Types

code	value Type	code	value Type
0	Char	128	Array{Char,1}
1	String	129	Array{String,1}
16	UInt8	144	Array{UInt8,1}
17	UInt16	145	Array{UInt16,1}
18	UInt32	146	Array{UInt32,1}
19	UInt64	147	Array{UInt64,1}
20	UInt128	148	Array{UInt128,1}
32	Int8	160	Array{Int8,1}
33	Int16	161	Array{Int16,1}
34	Int32	162	Array{Int32,1}
35	Int64	163	Array{Int64,1}
36	Int128	164	Array{Int128,1}
48	Float16	176	Array{Float16,1}
49	Float32	177	Array{Float32,1}
50	Float64	178	Array{Float64,1}
80	Complex{UInt8}	208	Array{Complex{UInt8},1}
81	Complex{UInt16}	209	Array{Complex{UInt16},1}
82	Complex{UInt32}	210	Array{Complex{UInt32},1}
83	Complex{UInt64}	211	Array{Complex{UInt64},1}
84	Complex{UInt128}	212	Array{Complex{UInt128},1}
96	Complex{Int8}	224	Array{Complex{Int8},1}
97	Complex{Int16}	225	Array{Complex{Int16},1}
98	Complex{Int32}	226	Array{Complex{Int32},1}
99	Complex{Int64}	227	Array{Complex{Int64},1}
100	Complex{Int128}	228	Array{Complex{Int128},1}
112	Complex{Float16}	240	Array{Complex{Float16},1}
113	Complex{Float32}	241	Array{Complex{Float32},1}
114	Complex{Float64}	242	Array{Complex{Float64},1}

Julia code for converting between data types and UInt8 type codes is given below.

```

findtype(c::UInt8, T::Array{Type,1}) = T[findfirst([sizeof(i)==2^c for i in_
↪T])]
function code2typ(c::UInt8)
    t = Any::Type
    if c >= 0x80
        t = Array{code2typ(c-0x80)}
    elseif c >= 0x40
        t = Complex{code2typ(c-0x40)}
    elseif c >= 0x30
        t = findtype(c-0x2f, Array{Type,1}(subtypes(AbstractFloat)))
    elseif c >= 0x20
        t = findtype(c-0x20, Array{Type,1}(subtypes(Signed)))
    elseif c >= 0x10
        t = findtype(c-0x10, Array{Type,1}(subtypes(Unsigned)))
    elseif c == 0x01
        t = String
    elseif c == 0x00
        t = Char
    else
        t = Any
    end
    return t
end

tos(t::Type) = round(Int64, log2(sizeof(t)))
function typ2code(t::Type)
    n = 0xff
    if t == Char
        n = 0x00
    elseif t == String
        n = 0x01
    elseif t <: Unsigned
        n = 0x10 + tos(t)
    elseif t <: Signed
        n = 0x20 + tos(t)
    elseif t <: AbstractFloat
        n = 0x30 + tos(t)-1
    elseif t <: Complex
        n = 0x40 + typ2code(real(t))
    elseif t <: Array
        n = 0x80 + typ2code(eltype(t))
    end
    return UInt8(n)
end

```

Type “Any” is provided as a default; it is not supported.

Standard Types in :misc

Most values in :misc are saved as a *UInt8 code* followed by the value itself.

Unusual Types in :misc

The tables below describe how to read non-bitstype data into :misc.

Table 12: Array{String}

Var	Meaning	T	N
nd	array dimensionality	u8	1
d	array dimensions	i64	nd
	if d!=0:		
sep	string separator	c	1
L_S	length of char array	i64	1
S	string array as chars	u8	L_S

If d=[0], indicating an empty String array, set S to an empty String array and do not read sep, L_S, or S.

Table 13: Array{Complex}

Var	Meaning	T	N
nd	array dimensionality	u8	1
d	array dimensions	i64	nd
rr	real part of array	τ	d
ii	imaginary part of array	τ	d

Here, τ denotes the type of the real part of one element of v.

Table 14: Array{Real}

Var	Meaning	T	N
nd	array dimensionality	u8	1
d	array dimensions	i64	nd
v	array values	τ	d

Here, τ denotes the type of one element of v.

Table 15: String

Var	Meaning	T	N
L_S	length of string	i64	1
S	string	u8	L_S

5.3.4 SeisEvent

A SeisEvent structure is stored as a SeisHdr object followed by a SeisData object. However, the combination of SeisHdr and SeisData objects that comprises a SeisEvent object counts as one object, not two, in the file TOC.

5.4 Data Requests Syntax

5.4.1 Channel ID Syntax

`NN.SSSSS.LL.CC` (`net.sta.loc.cha`, separated by periods) is the expected syntax for all web functions. The maximum field width in characters corresponds to the length of each field (e.g. 2 for network). Fields can't contain whitespace.

`NN.SSSSS.LL.CC.T` (`net.sta.loc.cha.tflag`) is allowed in SeedLink. `T` is a single-character data type flag and must be one of `DECOTL`: Data, Event, Calibration, blOckette, Timing, or Logs. Calibration, timing, and logs are not in the scope of SeisIO and may crash SeedLink sessions.

The table below specifies valid types and expected syntax for channel lists.

Type	Description	Example
String	Comma-delineated list of IDs	"PB.B004.01.BS1,PB.B002.01.BS1"
Array{String,1}	String array, one ID string per entry	["PB.B004.01.BS1","PB.B002.01.BS1"]
Array{String,2}	String array, one ID string per row	["PB" "B004" "01" "BS1"; "PB" "B002" "01" "BS1"]

The expected component order is always network, station, location, channel; thus, "UW.TDH..EHZ" is OK, but "UW.TDH.EHZ" fails.

chanspec()

Type `?chanspec` in Julia to print the above info. to stdout.

Wildcards and Blanks

Allowed wildcards are client-specific.

- The LOC field can be left blank in any client: "UW.ELK..EHZ" and ["UW" "ELK" "" "EHZ"] are all valid. Blank LOC fields are set to `--` in IRIS, `*` in FDSN, and `??` in SeedLink.
- `?` acts as a single-character wildcard in FDSN & SeedLink. Thus, `CC.VALT..???` is valid.
- `*` acts as a multi-character wildcard in FDSN. Thus, `CC.VALT..*` and `CC.VALT..???` behave identically in FDSN.
- Partial specifiers are OK, but a network and station are always required: "UW.EL?" is OK, ".ELK." fails.

Channel Configuration Files

One entry per line, ASCII text, format `NN.SSSSS.LL.CCC.D`. Due to client-specific wildcard rules, the most versatile configuration files are those that specify each channel most completely:

```
# This only works with SeedLink
GE.ISP..BH?.D
NL.HGN
MN.AQU..BH?
MN.AQU..HH?
UW.KMO
CC.VALT..BH?.D

# This works with FDSN and SeedLink, but not IRIS
GE.ISP..BH?
NL.HGN
MN.AQU..BH?
MN.AQU..HH?
UW.KMO
CC.VALT..BH?

# This works with all three:
GE.ISP..BHZ
GE.ISP..BHN
GE.ISP..BHE
MN.AQU..BHZ
MN.AQU..BHN
MN.AQU..BHE
MN.AQU..HHZ
MN.AQU..HHN
MN.AQU..HHE
UW.KMO..EHZ
CC.VALT..BHZ
CC.VALT..BHN
CC.VALT..BHE
```


Server List

String	Source
BGR	http://eida.bgr.de
EMSC	http://www.seismicportal.eu
ETH	http://eida.ethz.ch
GEONET	http://service.geonet.org.nz
GFZ	http://geofon.gfz-potsdam.de
ICGC	http://ws.icgc.cat
INGV	http://webservices.ingv.it
IPGP	http://eida.ipgp.fr
IRIS	http://service.iris.edu
ISC	http://isc-mirror.iris.washington.edu
KOERI	http://eida.koeri.boun.edu.tr
LMU	http://erde.geophysik.uni-muenchen.de
NCEDC	http://service.ncedc.org
NIEP	http://eida-sc3.infp.ro
NOA	http://eida.gein.noa.gr
ORFEUS	http://www.orfeus-eu.org
RESIF	http://ws.resif.fr
SCEDC	http://service.scedc.caltech.edu
TEXNET	http://rtserve.beg.utexas.edu
USGS	http://earthquake.usgs.gov
USP	http://sismo.iag.usp.br

`seis_www()`

Type `?seis_www` in Julia to print the above info. to stdout.

5.4.2 Time Syntax

Specify time inputs for web queries as a `DateTime`, `Real`, or `String`. The latter must take the form `YYYY-MM-DDThh:mm:ss.nnn`, where `T` is the uppercase character `T` and `nnn` denotes milliseconds; incomplete time strings treat missing fields as 0.

type(s)	type(t)	behavior
DT	DT	Sort only
R	DT	Add <code>s</code> seconds to <code>t</code>
DT	R	Add <code>t</code> seconds to <code>s</code>
S	R	Convert <code>s</code> to <code>DateTime</code> , add <code>t</code>
R	S	Convert <code>t</code> to <code>DateTime</code> , add <code>s</code>
R	R	Add <code>s</code> , <code>t</code> seconds to <code>now()</code>

(above, R = Real, DT = DateTime, S = String, I = Integer)

5.5 SeisIO Standard Keywords

SeisIO.KW is a memory-resident structure of default values for common keywords used by package functions. KW has one substructure, SL, with keywords specific to SeedLink. These defaults can be modified, e.g., `SeisIO.KW.nev=2` changes the default for `nev` to 2.

KW	Default	T ¹	Meaning
evw	[600.0, 600.0]	A{F,1}	time search window [o-evw[1], o+evw[2]]
fmt	“miniseed”	S	request data format
mag	[6.0, 9.9]	A{F,1}	magnitude range for queries
nd	1	I	number of days per subrequest
nev	1	I	number of events returned per query
nx_add	360000	I	length increase of undersized data array
nx_new	8640000	I	number of samples for a new channel
opts	“”	S	user-specified options ²
pha	“P”	S	seismic phase arrival times to retrieve
rad	[]	A{F,1}	radial search region ³
reg	[]	A{F,1}	rectangular search region ⁴
si	true	B	autofill station info on data req? ⁵
to	30	I	read timeout for web requests (s)
v	0	I	verbosity
w	false	B	write requests to disc? ⁶
y	false	B	sync data after web request? ⁷

Table Footnotes

5.5.1 SeedLink Keywords

Change these with `SeisIO.KW.SL.[key] = value`, e.g., `SeisIO.KW.SL.refresh = 30`.

¹ Types: A = Array, B = Boolean, C = Char, DT = DateTime, F = Float, I = Integer, R = Real, S = String, U8 = Unsigned 8-bit integer

² String is passed as-is, e.g. “szsrecs=true&repo=realtime” for FDSN. String should not begin with an ampersand.

³ Specify region [**center_lat**, **center_lon**, **min_radius**, **max_radius**, **dep_min**, **dep_max**], with lat, lon, and radius in decimal degrees (°) and depth in km with + = down. Depths are only used for earthquake searches.

⁴ Specify region [**lat_min**, **lat_max**, **lon_min**, **lon_max**, **dep_min**, **dep_max**], with lat, lon in decimal degrees (°) and depth in km with + = down. Depths are only used for earthquake searches.

⁵ Not used with IRISWS.

⁶ **-v=0** = quiet; 1 = verbose, 2 = debug; 3 = verbose debug

⁷ If **-w=true**, a file name is automatically generated from the request parameters, in addition to parsing data to a SeisData structure. Files are created from the raw download even if data processing fails, in contrast to `get_data(... wsac=true)`.

kw	def	type	meaning
gap	3600	R	a stream with no data in >gap seconds is considered offline
kai	600	R	keepalive interval (s)
mode	“DATA”	I	“TIME”, “DATA”, or “FETCH”
port	18000	I	port number
refresh	20	R	base refresh interval (s) ⁸
x_on_err	true	Bool	exit on error?

Table Footnotes

5.6 Examples

5.6.1 FDSN data query

1. Download 10 minutes of data from four stations at Mt. St. Helens (WA, USA), delete the low-gain channels, and save as SAC files in the current directory.

```
S = get_data("FDSN", "CC.VALT, UW.SEP, UW.SHW, UW.HSR", src="IRIS", t=-600)
S -= "SHW.ELZ..UW"
S -= "HSR.ELZ..UW"
writesac(S)
```

2. Get 5 stations, 2 networks, all channels, last 600 seconds of data at IRIS

```
CHA = "CC.PALM, UW.HOOD, UW.TIMB, CC.HIYU, UW.TDH"
TS = u2d(time())
TT = -600
S = get_data("FDSN", CHA, src="IRIS", s=TS, t=TT)
```

3. A request to FDSN Potsdam, time-synchronized, with some verbosity

```
ts = "2011-03-11T06:00:00"
te = "2011-03-11T06:05:00"
R = get_data("FDSN", "GE.BKB..BH?", src="GFZ", s=ts, t=te, v=1, y=true)
```

5.6.2 FDSN station query

A sample FDSN station query

```
S = FDSNsta("CC.VALT..,PB.B001..BS?,PB.B001..E??")
```

⁸ This value is modified slightly by each SeedLink session to minimize the risk of congestion

5.6.3 FDSN event header/data query

Get seismic and strainmeter records for the P-wave of the Tohoku-Oki great earthquake on two borehole stations and write to native SeisData format:

```
S = FDSNevt("201103110547", "PB.B004..EH?,PB.B004..BS?,PB.B001..BS?,PB.B001..
↪EH?")
wseis("201103110547_evt.seis", S)
```

5.6.4 IRISWS data query

Note that the “src” keyword is not used in IRIS queries.

1. Get trace data from IRISws from TS to TT at channels CHA

```
S = SeisData()
CHA = "UW.TDH..EHZ, UW.VLL..EHZ, CC.VALT..BHZ"
TS = u2d(time()-86400)
TT = 600
get_data!(S, "IRIS", CHA, s=TS, t=TT)
```

2. Get synchronized trace data from IRISws with a 55-second timeout on HTTP requests, written directly to disk.

```
CHA = "UW.TDH..EHZ, UW.VLL..EHZ, CC.VALT..BHZ"
TS = u2d(time())
TT = -600
S = get_data("IRIS", CHA, s=TS, t=TT, y=true, to=55, w=true)
```

3. Request 10 minutes of continuous vertical-component data from a small May 2016 earthquake swarm at Mt. Hood, OR, USA:

```
STA = "UW.HOOD.--.BHZ,CC.TIMB.--.EHZ"
TS = "2016-05-16T14:50:00"; TE = 600
S = get_data("IRIS", STA, "", s=TS, t=TE)
```

4. Grab data from a predetermined time window in two different formats

```
ts = "2016-03-23T23:10:00"
te = "2016-03-23T23:17:00"
S = get_data("IRIS", "CC.JRO..BHZ", s=ts, t=te, fmt="sacbl")
T = get_data("IRIS", "CC.JRO..BHZ", s=ts, t=te, fmt="miniseed")
```

5.6.5 SeedLink sessions

1. An attended SeedLink session in DATA mode. Initiate a SeedLink session in DATA mode using config file SL.conf and write all packets received directly to file (in addition to parsing to S itself). Set nominal refresh interval for checking for new data to 10 s. A mini-seed file will be generated automatically.

```
S = SeisData()
SeedLink!(S, "SL.conf", mode="DATA", r=10, w=true)
```

2. An unattended SeedLink download in TIME mode. Get the next two minutes of data from stations GPW, MBW, SHUK in the UW network. Put the Julia REPL to sleep while the request fills. If the connection is still open, close it (SeedLink's time bounds aren't precise in TIME mode, so this may or may not be necessary). Pause briefly so that the last data packets are written. Synchronize results and write data in native SeisIO file format.

```
sta = "UW.GPW,UW.MBW,UW.SHUK"
s0 = now()
S = SeedLink(sta, mode="TIME", s=s0, t=120, r=10)
sleep(180)
isopen(S.c[1]) && close(S.c[1])
sleep(20)
sync!(S)
fname = string("GPW_MBW_SHUK", s0, ".seis")
wseis(fname, S)
```

3. A SeedLink session in TIME mode

```
sta = "UW.GPW, UW.MBW, UW.SHUK"
S1 = SeedLink(sta, mode="TIME", s=0, t=120)
```

4. A SeedLink session in DATA mode with multiple servers, including a config file. Data are parsed roughly every 10 seconds. A total of 5 minutes of data are requested.

```
sta = ["CC.SEP", "UW.HDW"]
# To ensure precise timing, we'll pass d0 and d1 as strings
st = 0.0
en = 300.0
dt = en-st
(d0,d1) = parsetimewin(st,en)

S = SeisData()
SeedLink!(S, sta, mode="TIME", r=10.0, s=d0, t=d1)
println(stdout, "...first link initialized...")

# Seedlink with a config file
config_file = "seedlink.conf"
SeedLink!(S, config_file, r=10.0, mode="TIME", s=d0, t=d1)
println(stdout, "...second link initialized...")

# Seedlink with a config string
SeedLink!(S, "CC.VALT..???, UW.ELK..EHZ", mode="TIME", r=10.0, s=d0, t=d1)
println(stdout, "...third link initialized...")
```


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