

Seismic sources

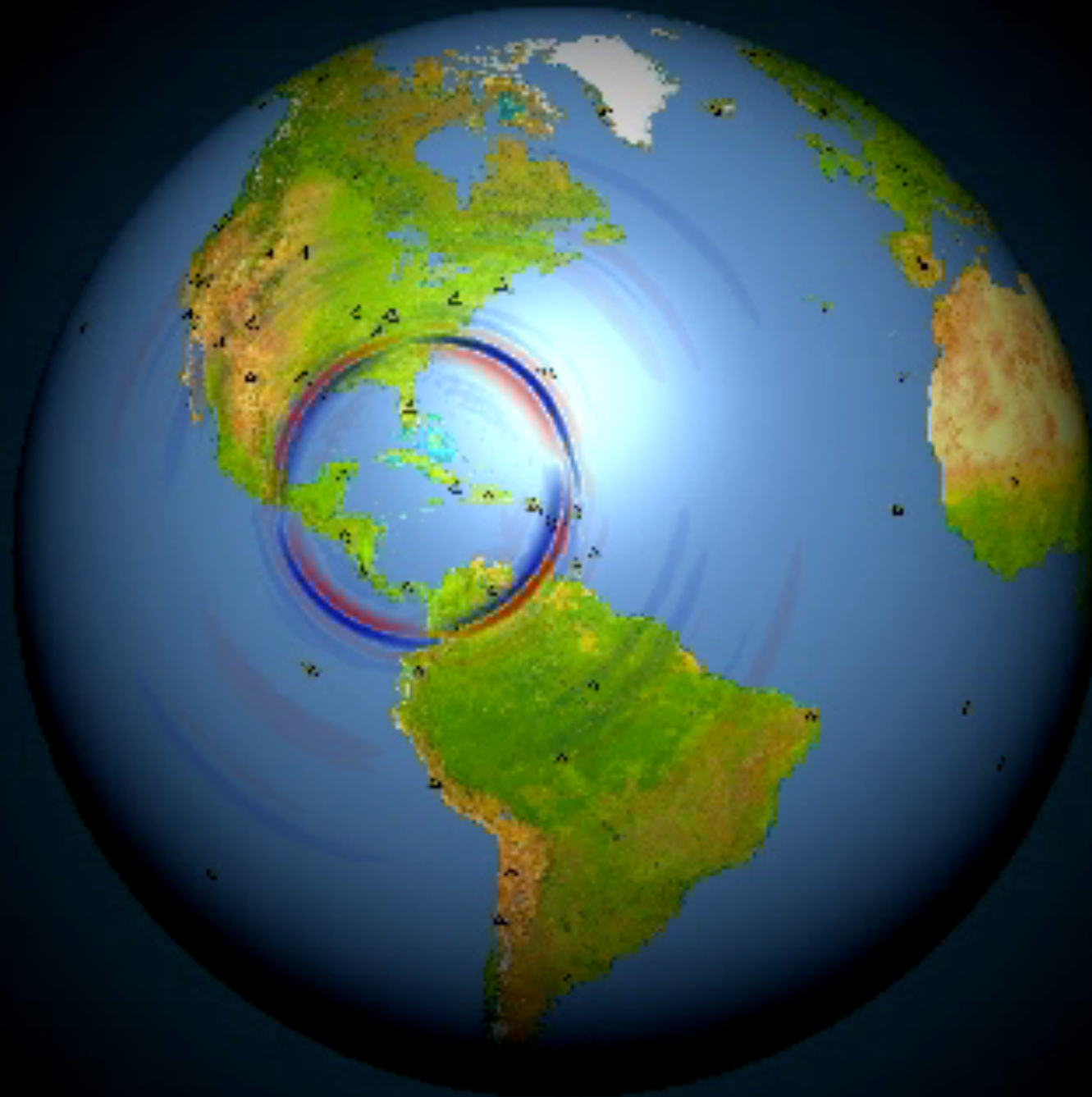




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Mw:7.7 Depth: **24.5 km**

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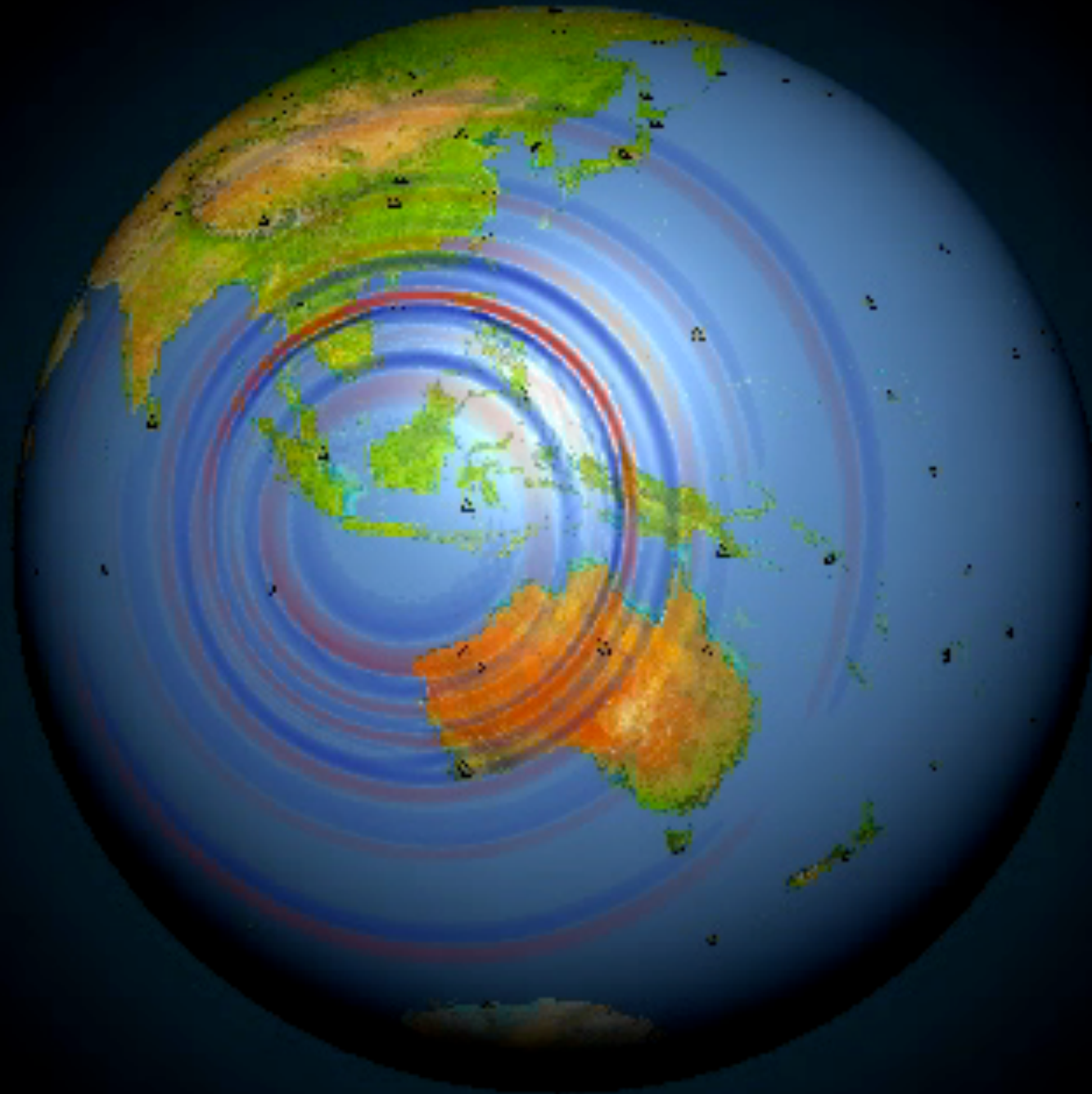


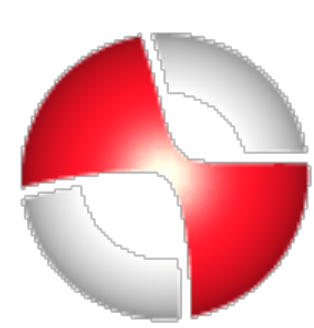


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Mw:6.2 Depth: **600.6 km**

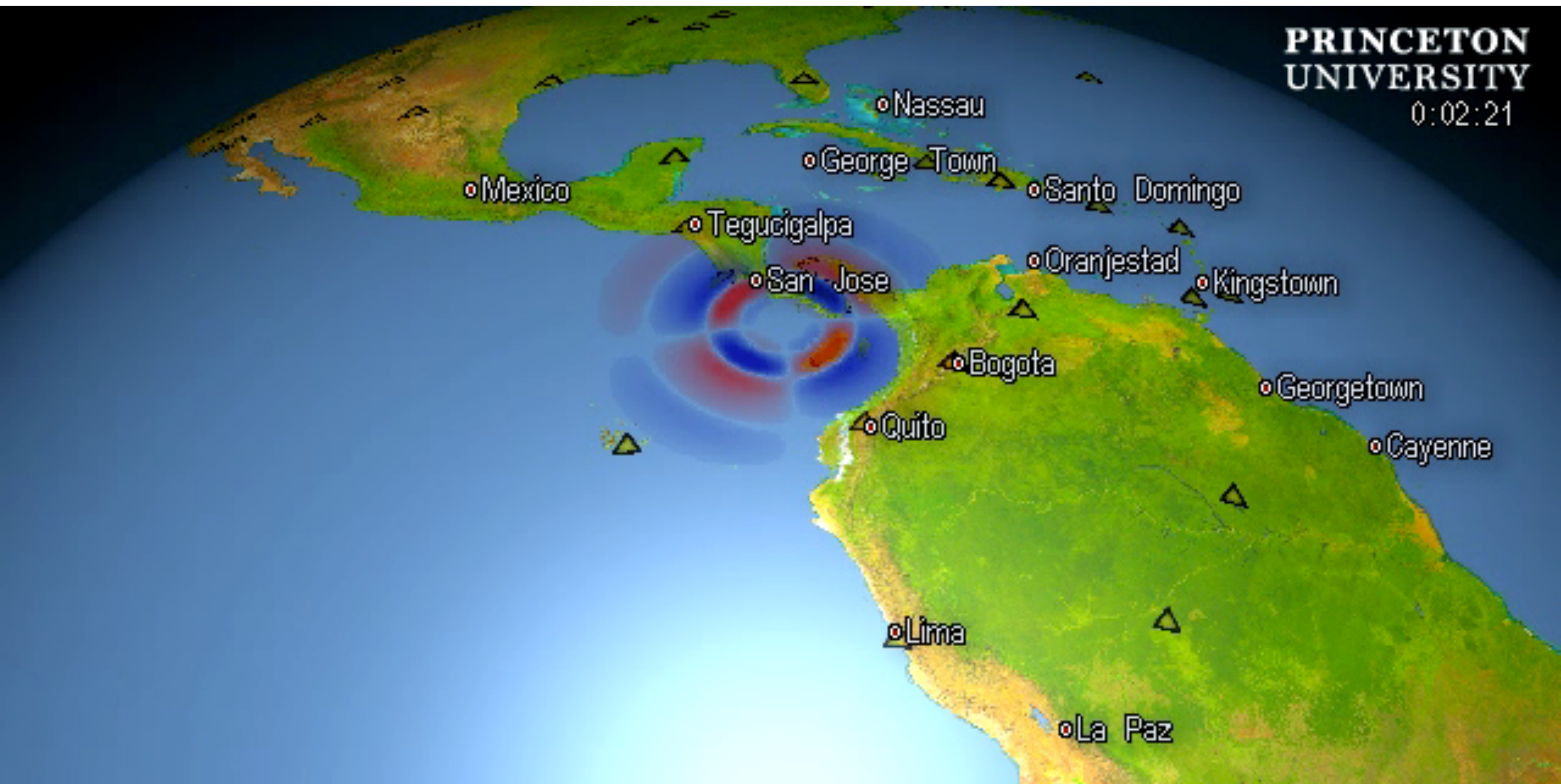
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SOUTH OF PANAMA Mon Mar 09 2015 02:48:50

Mw:5.8 Depth: **12.0 km**

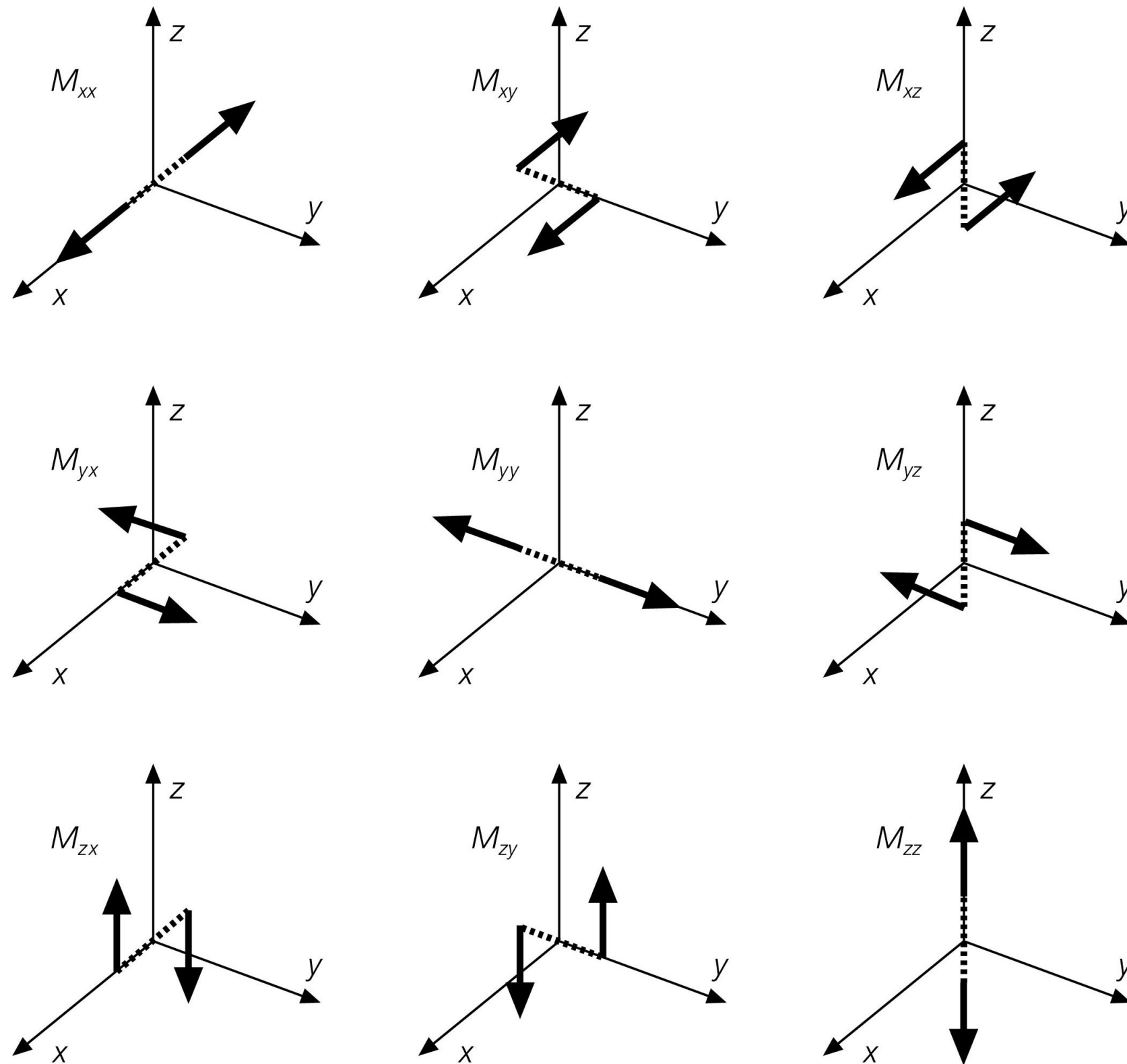


red: up motion, blue: down motion

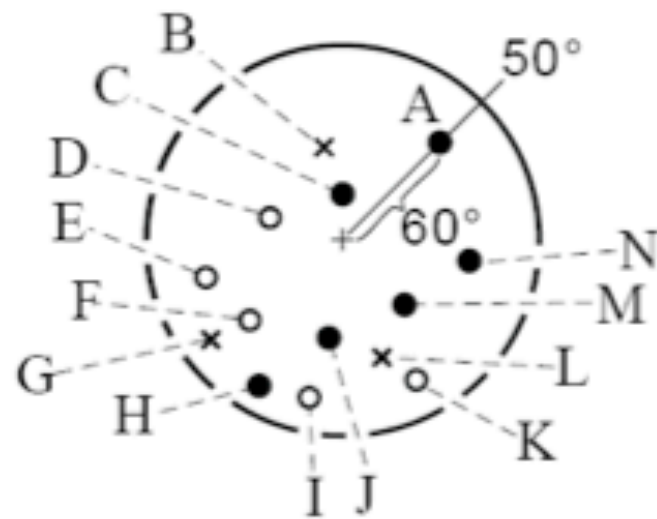
Seismic waves



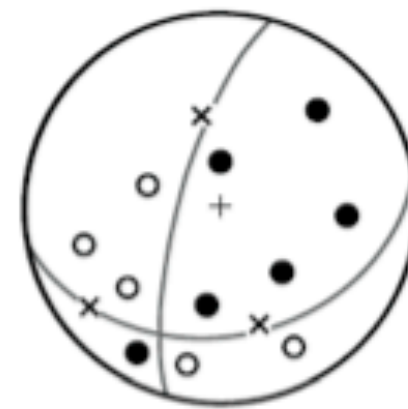
Figure 4.4-4: Nine force couples which compose the seismic moment tensor.



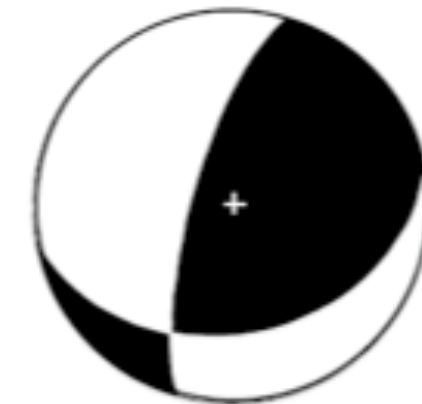
<u>Stn</u>	<u>P wave</u>	<u>symbol</u>	<u>Stn</u>	<u>P wave</u>	<u>symbol</u>	<u>Stn</u>	<u>P wave</u>	<u>symbol</u>
A		●	F		○	K		○
B		×	G		×	L		×
C		●	H		●	M		●
D		○	I		○	N		●
E		○	J		●			



1) Plot all stations with their first motion symbols into the projection.

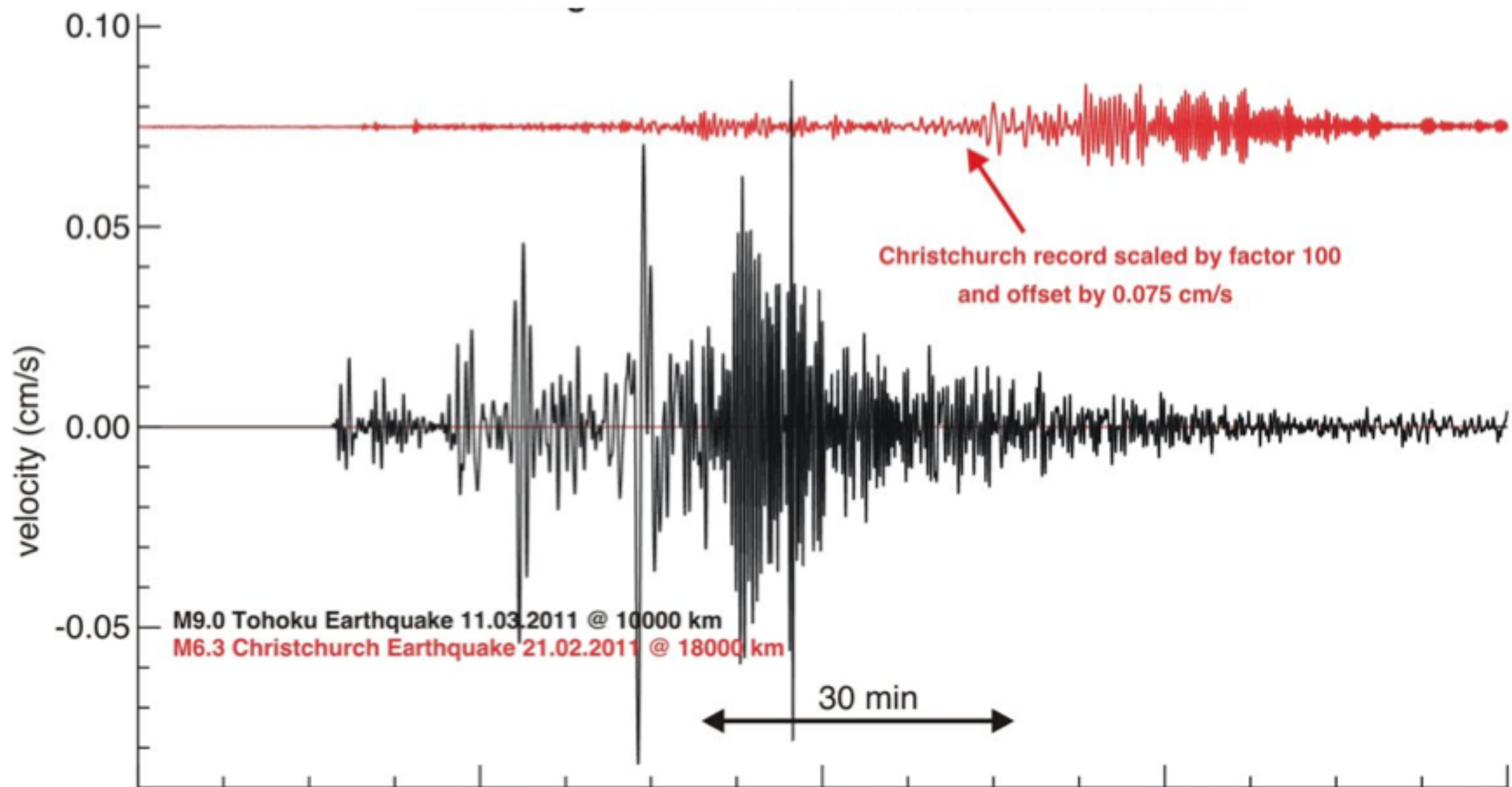


2) Separate symbols with large circles on the hemisphere.



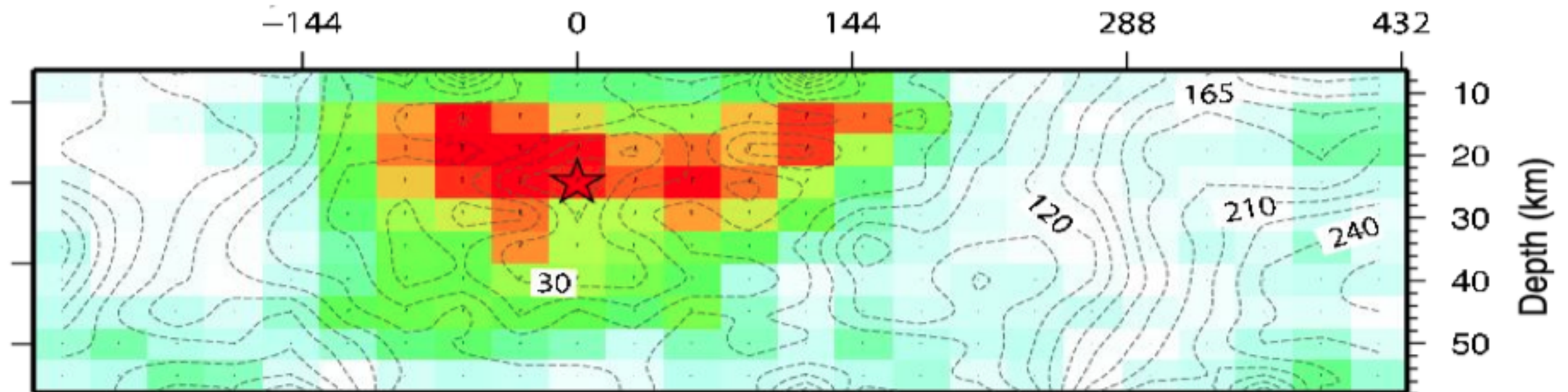
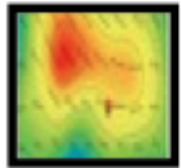
3) Define the focal mechanism.





A M9 event releases much more energy - 20 '000 more - than a M6.3 event. This depends on the size of the fault and the amount of slip.

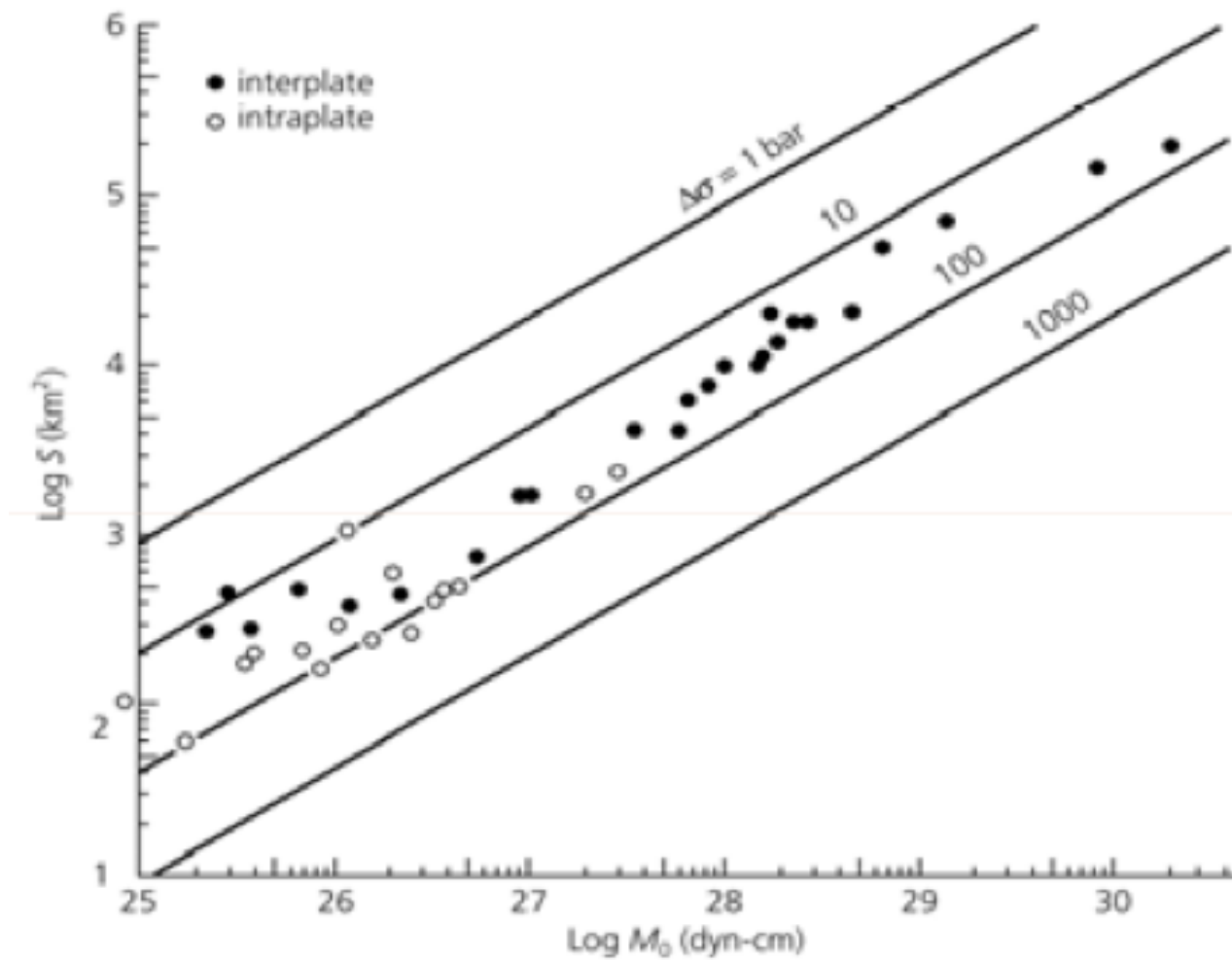
Christchurch: M6.3, slip 1m, source area 30*10km



Tohoku: M9, slip up to 18m, source area 300*40km



“Classic” plot after Kanamori & Anderson, 1975



Modern version using rupture models (Mai, 2007)

