

Antelope in Antarctica

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- Main interests: Regional, local earthquakes -> array processing
 - Including offline data
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Neumayer Station - Antarctica



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- Accessible only 4 month in summer
- Winter personnel: 9,
 2 Geophysicists,
 1 Meteorologist,
 1 Airchemist,
 Cook, Doctor, Technicians

90°W

• Crew change after 15 months







- Detection of local and regional events
 - → array processing
- First analysis of events during winter with realtime accessible stations
- Most data stored on disks and need to be merged with existing datasets



Network





Hardware



Station	Coms	Power	Rec	Seismometer
VNA1	LAN	Generator	Q330	Lennartz LE-3D/20s
VNA2	VHF	Solar, Wind	Q330	Guralp CMG3ESP/120s, Mark L4C
VNA3	VHF	Solar, Wind	Q330	Guralp CMG3ESP/120s
SNAA	Internet	Generator	Q330	Streckeisen STS-2
Svea	none	Solar, Wind	Reftek	
Kohnen	none	Solar, Wind	Reftek	
Kottas	none	Solar	Reftek	
Troll	none	Generator	Reftek	
Novo	none	Generator	Reftek	

- SunFire V245: Data Acquisition
- MacPro 2,93 GHz Intel 12core Xeon: Array Processing





How does a station look like?

- VNA2
- VNA3



Station VNA2





Station VNA2





Station VNA2 - Maintenance





Station VNA2 - Maintenance





Station VNA2 - Maintenance





Station VNA3 - Maintenance





Station VNA3 - Maintenance





Challenges



- Energy supply
 - No sunlight during winter time
 - Wind power is not reliable, too much wind
 - Batteries too cold for charging
- Short periods for maintenance
- Logistics
- Weather conditions
- changing personnel



Charging Batteries in winter





Battery voltage during storm



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RT - Processes



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Processing



- Automated processing is difficult due to the small amount of stations available
- Event detection with orbdetect, orbassoc
- Using NEIC list to locate global earthquakes
- Picking local events manually for later relocating with additional offline stations
- Using array2db to get values for slowness and azimuth for corresponding picks
- Trigger on semblance not reliable due to high levels of background noise from sea swell
- Daily bulletin for NEIC



Stations for initial earthquake location





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Example Event



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Example Event





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Example Event





Located Events in 2011





Local Events



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Future plans



- Importing offline station data into existing Antelope database
- Batch-Processing offline stations with automated event detection
- Include old datasets from pre-Antelope times
- Run array-processing with offline data
- Synchronizing databases in Bremerhaven with Neumayer





Questions, suggestions, remarks, ..?

Thanks for your attention

