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# Constructing a New Catalogue of Greenland's Iceberg Calving Events through Seismic Data Analysis and Machine Learning

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Iceberg calving events:  
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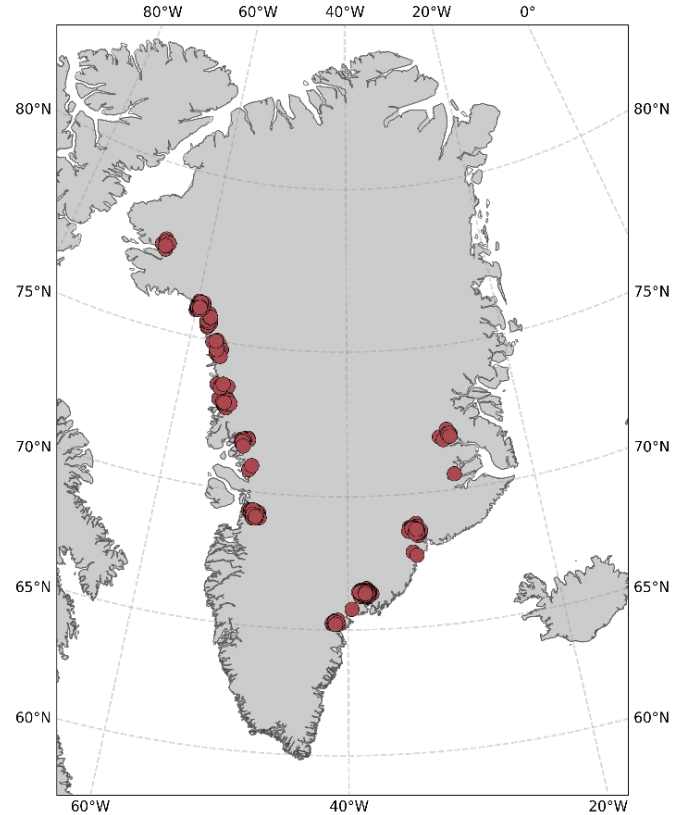


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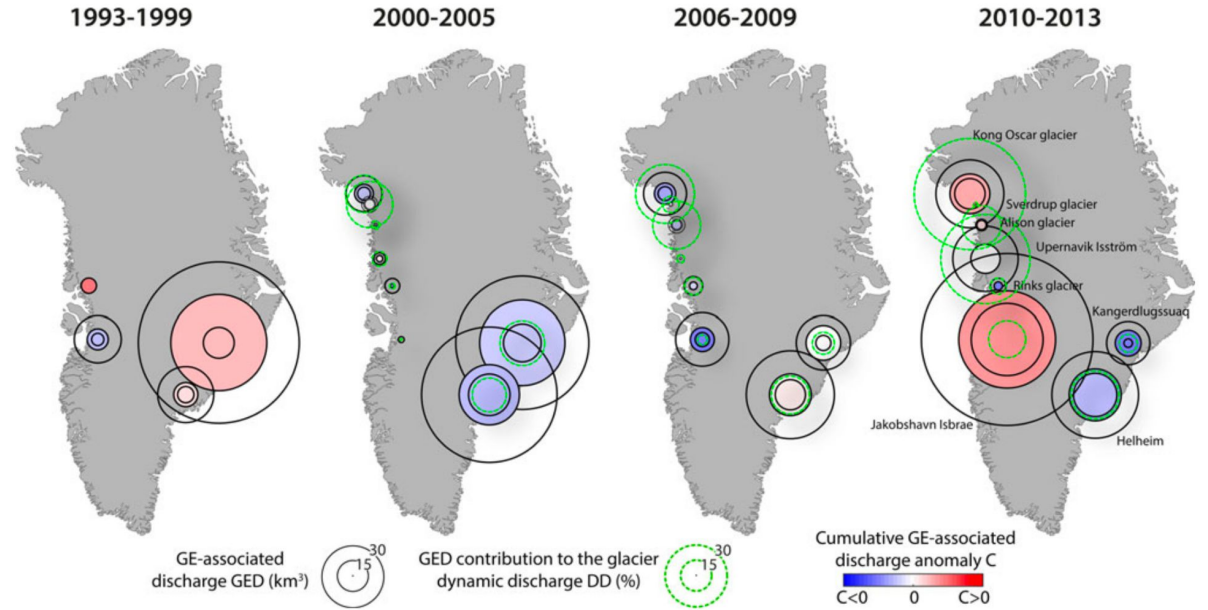


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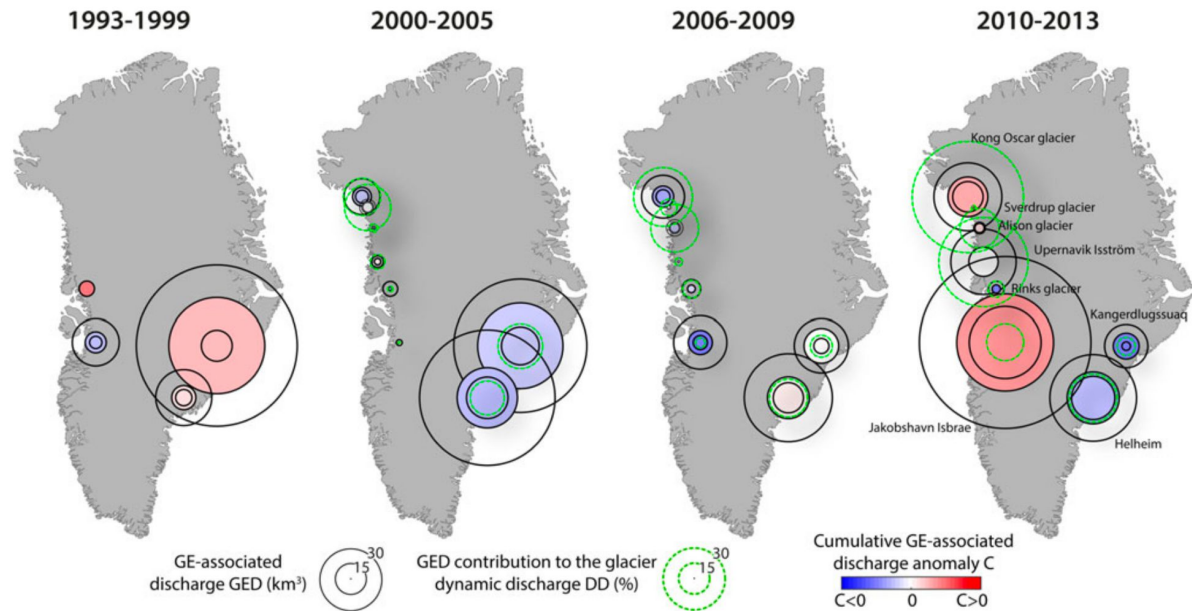
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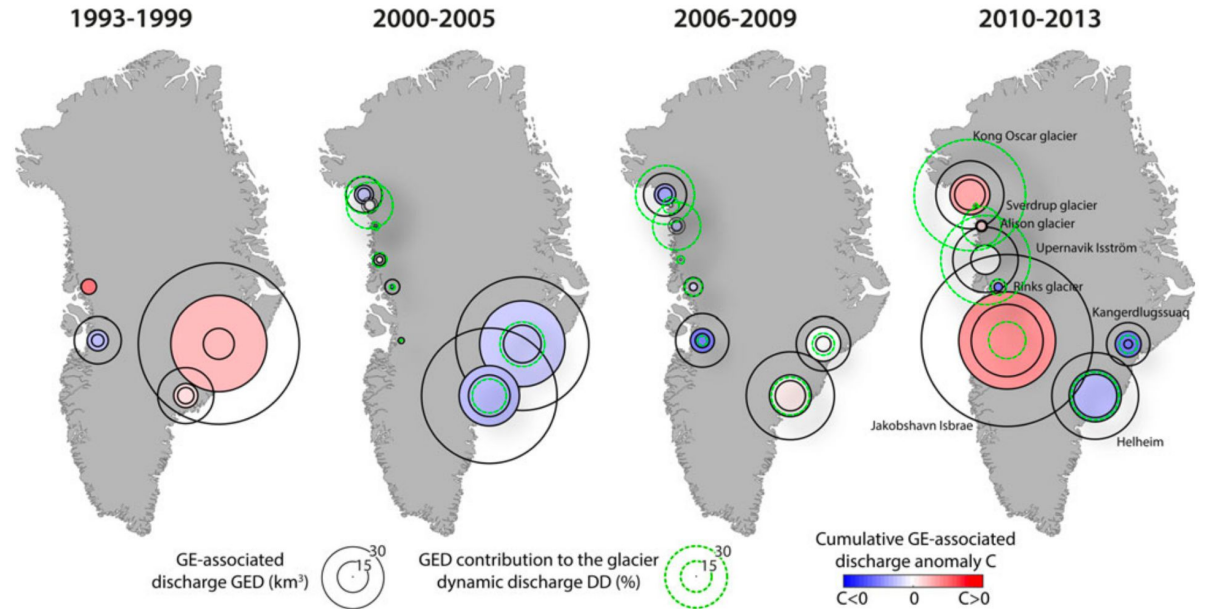
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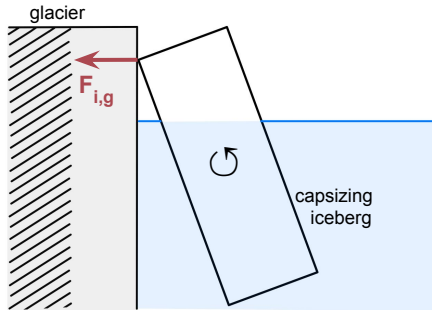


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Constrain a **complete seismic catalogue** with iceberg calving events up to the present day

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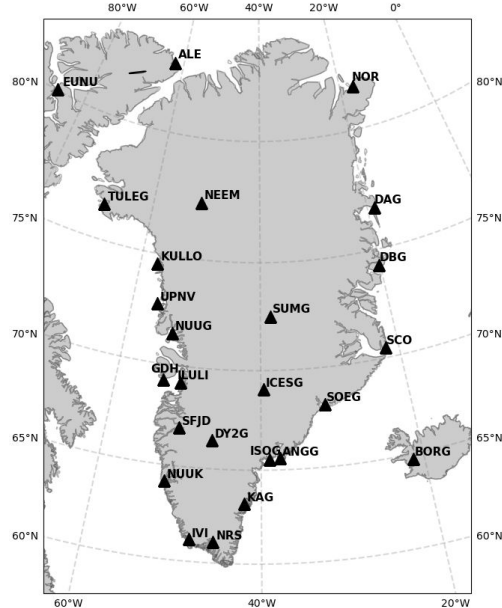
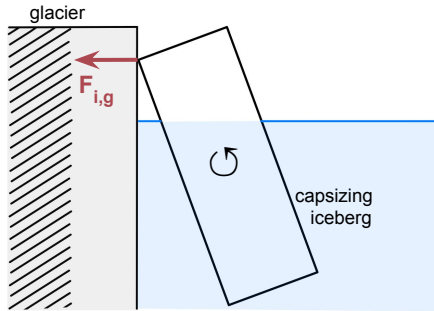


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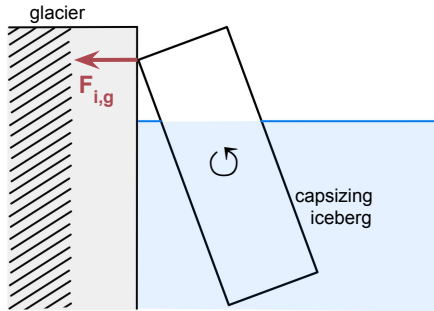
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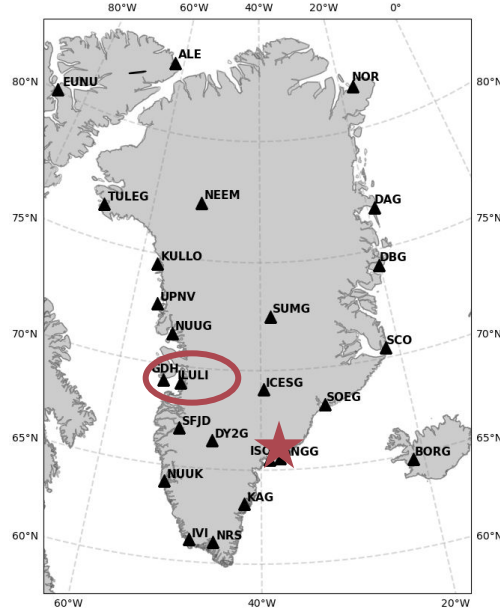
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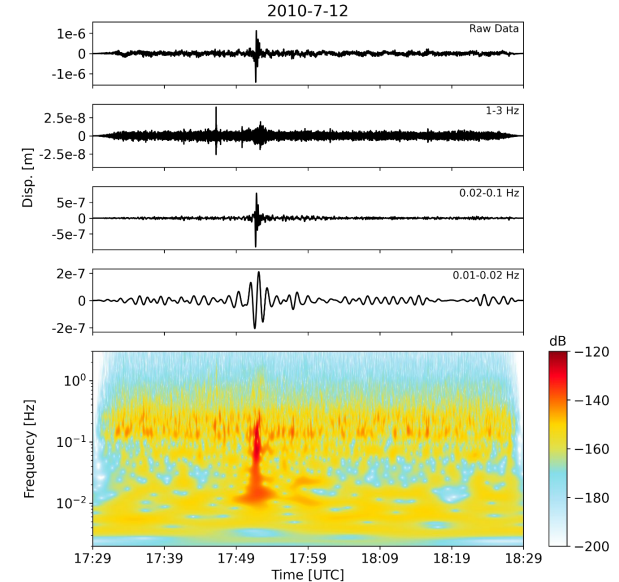
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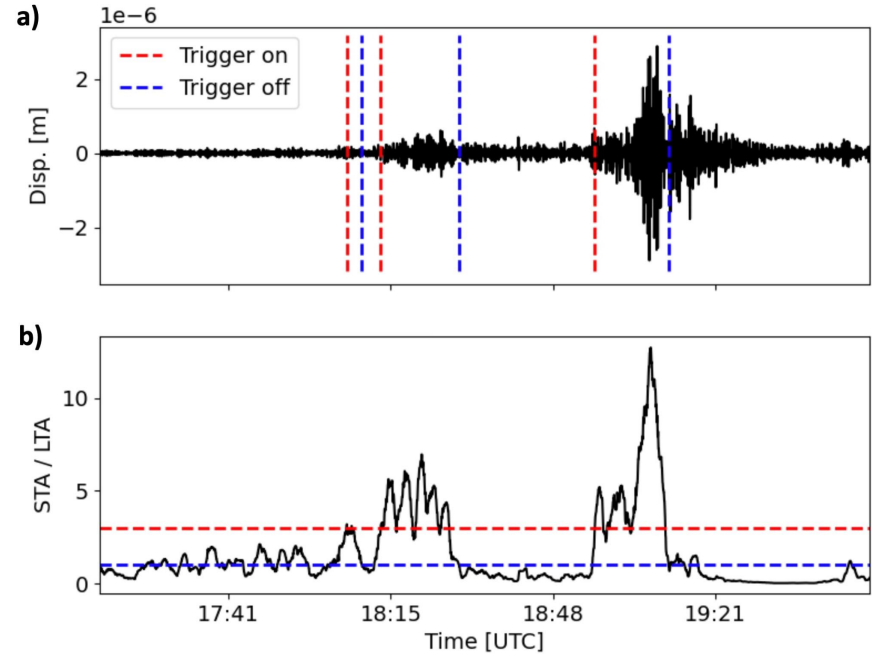
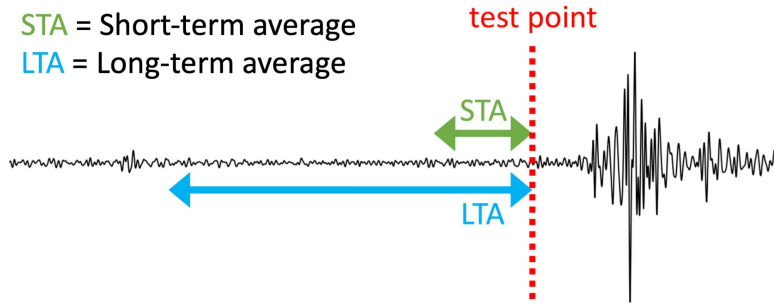
Seismic recording of GEQ



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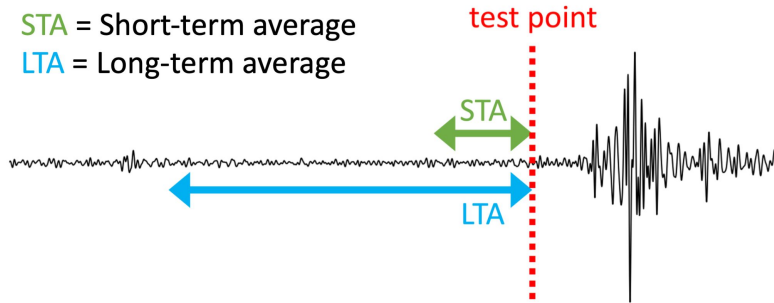


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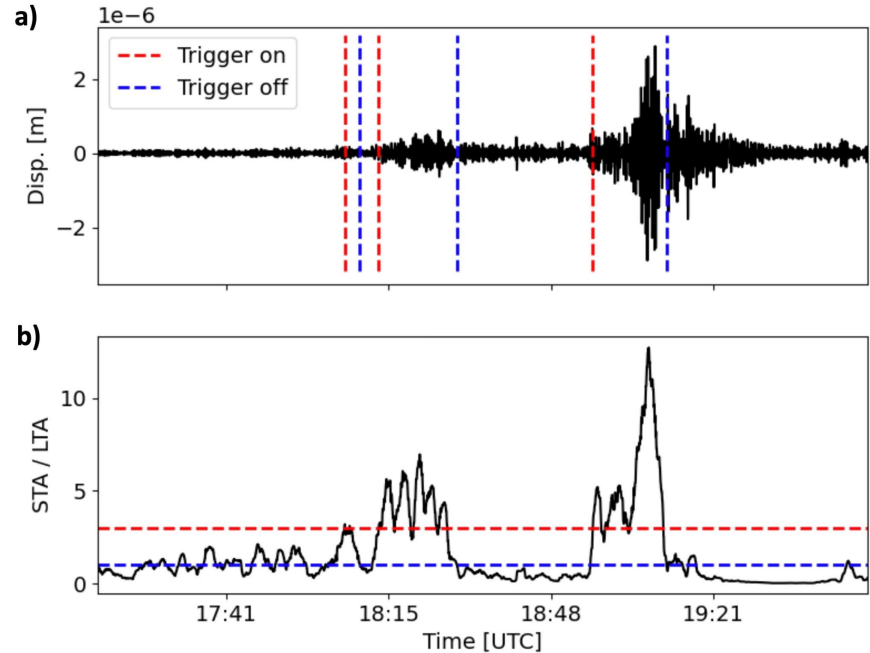
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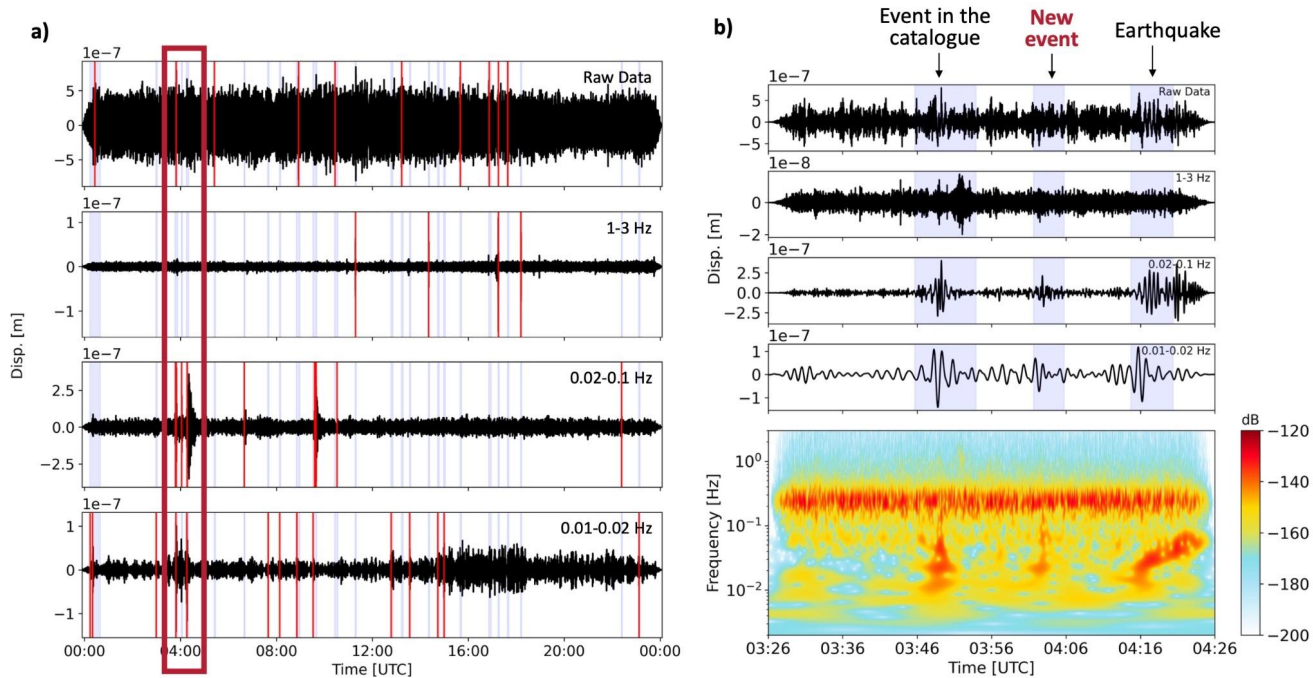


- Detection on 4 different frequency bands
- Individual parameters for every frequency band



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## Results

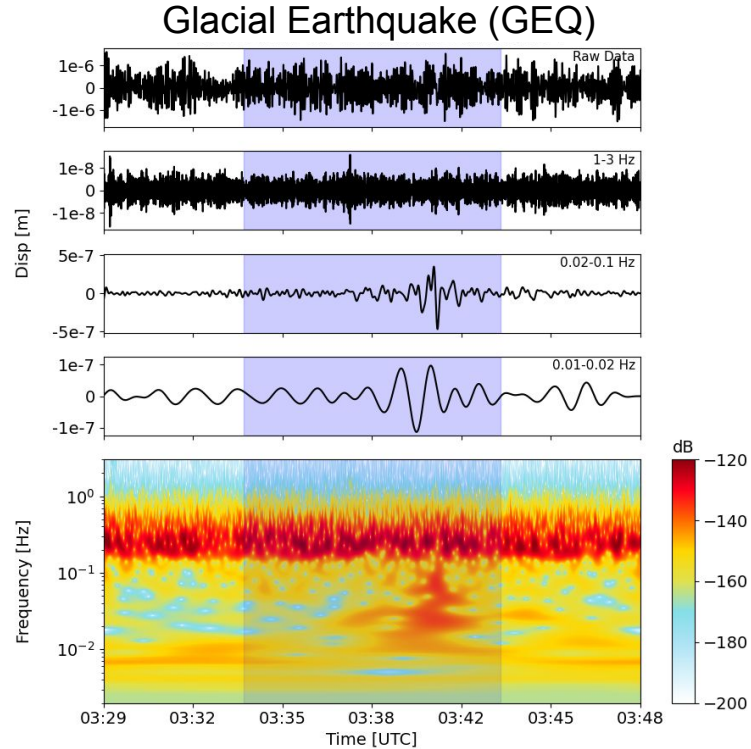


January 2013:  
26 stations  
> 200 events



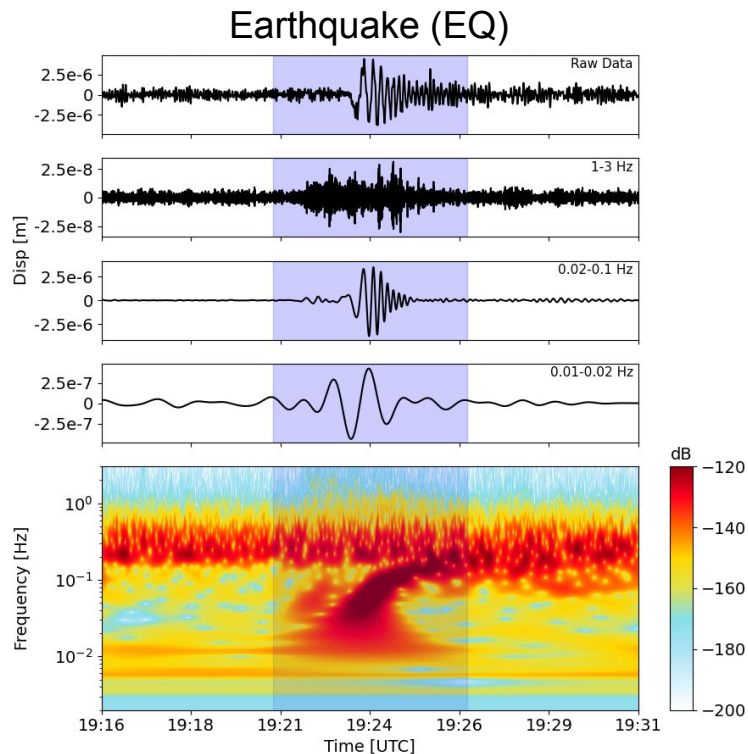
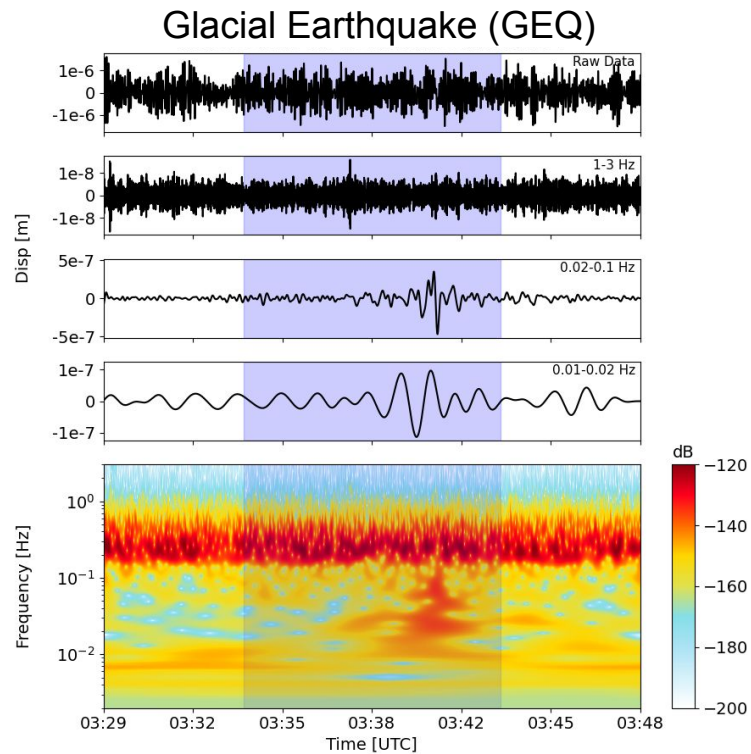
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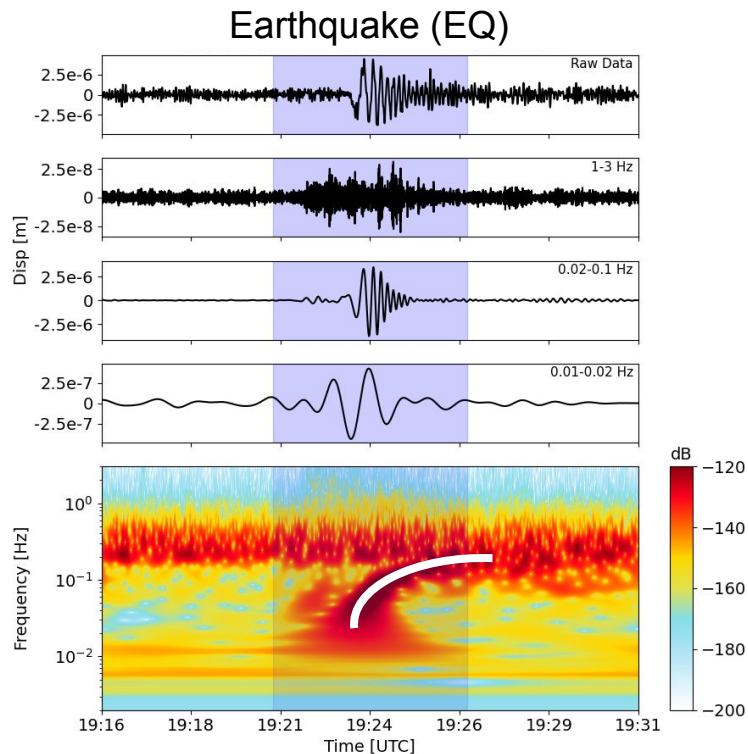
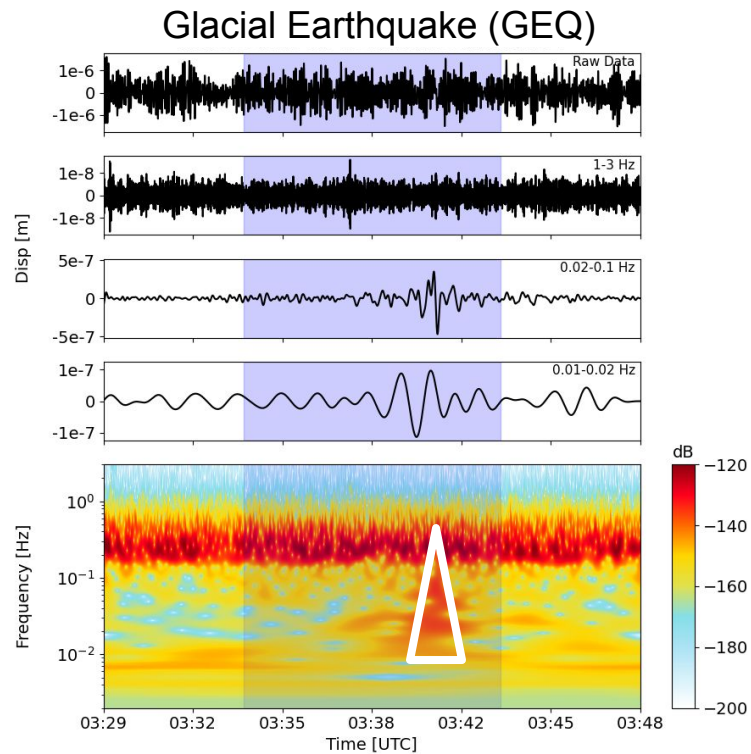
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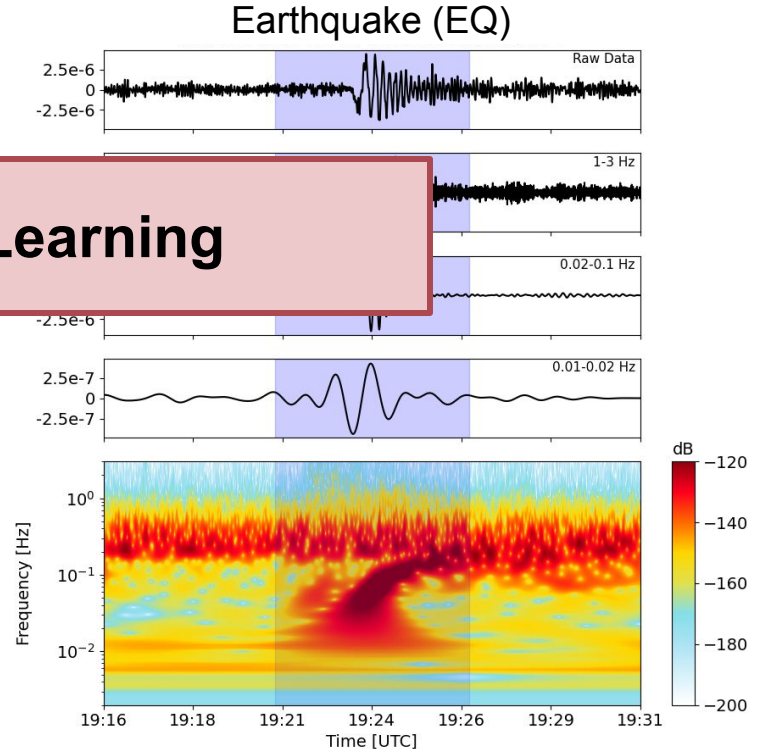
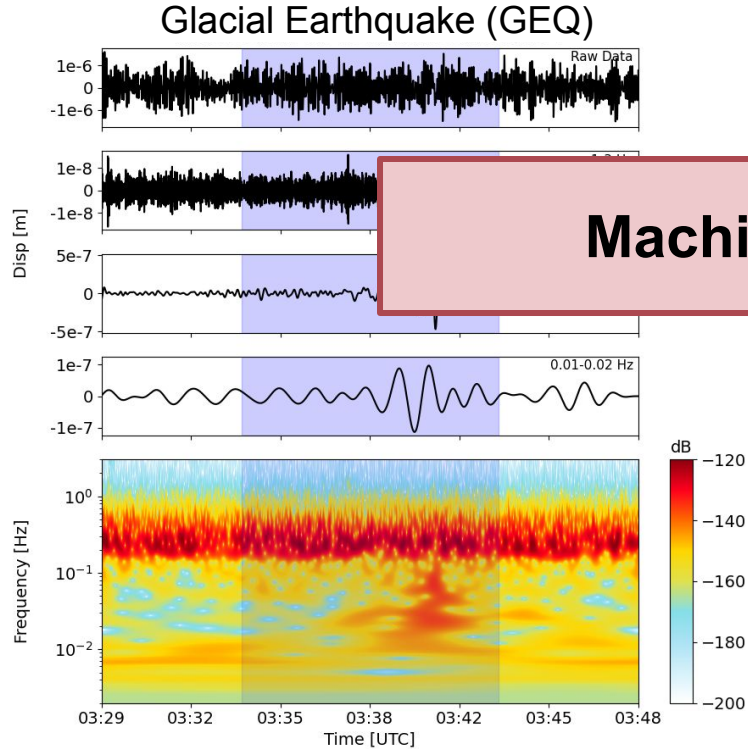
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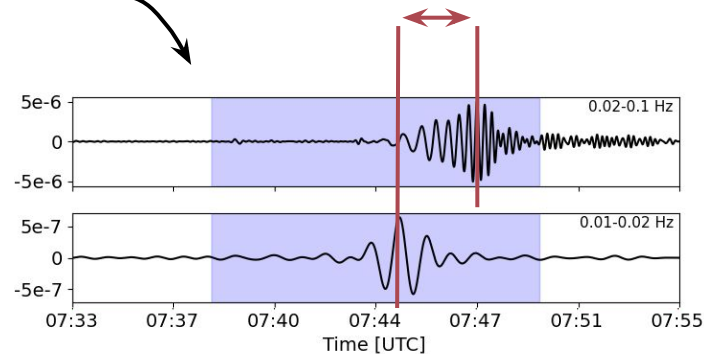
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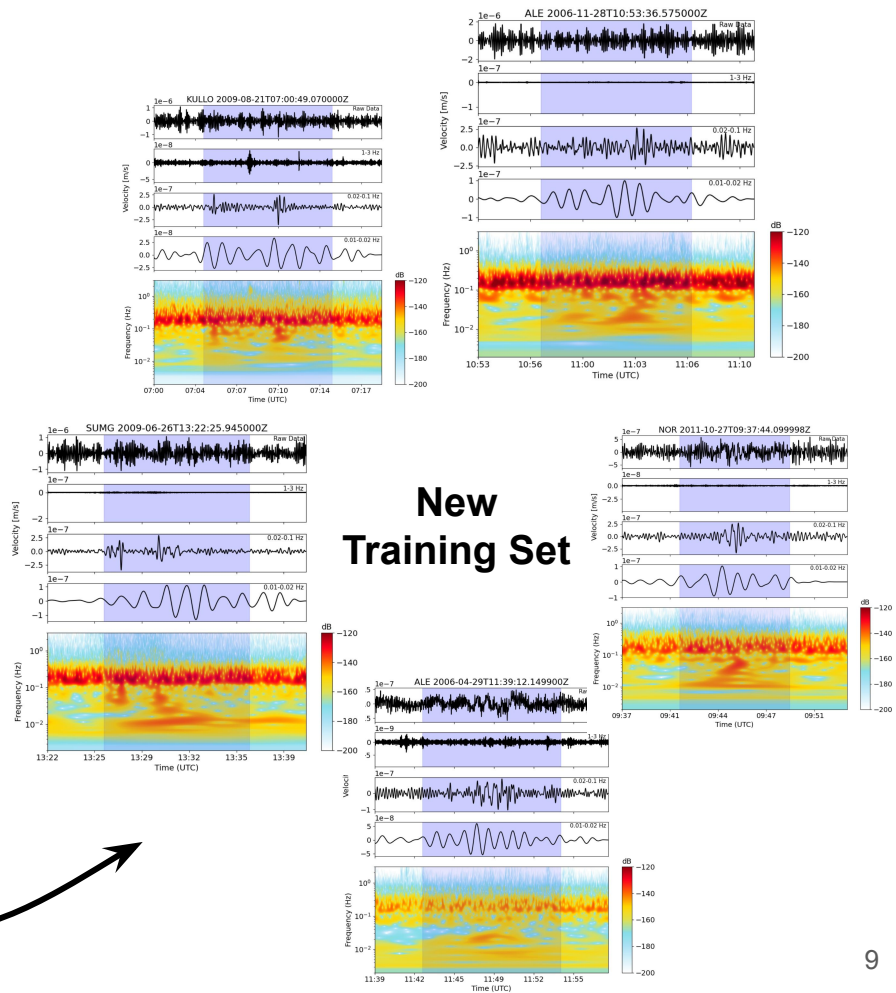
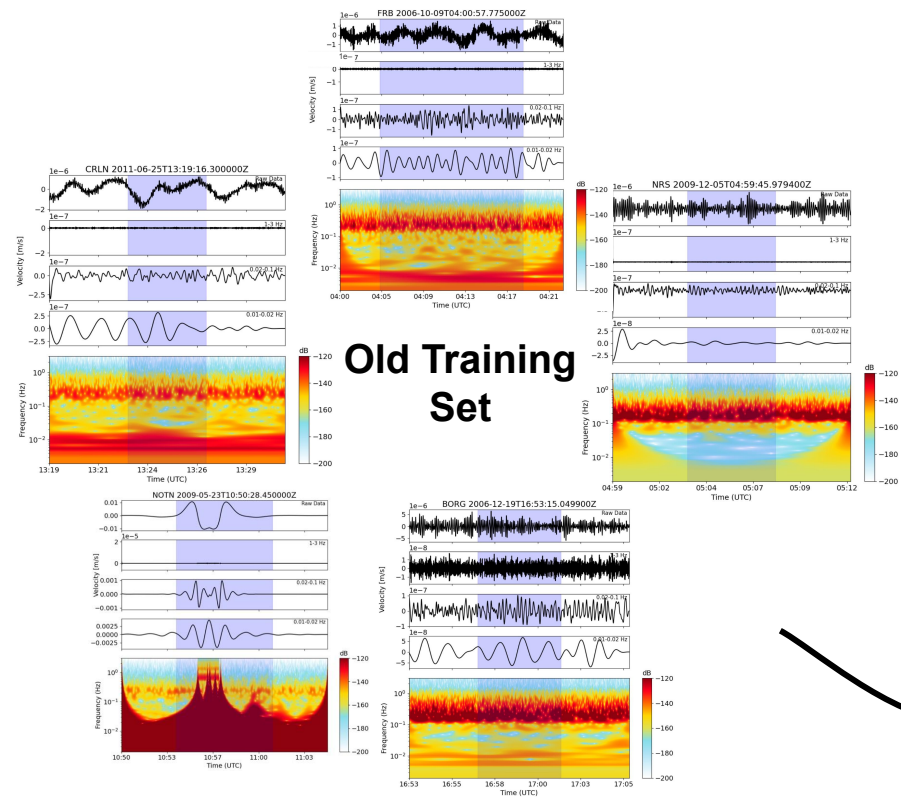
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A confusion matrix showing the relationship between True Labels (EQ, GEQ) and Predicted Labels (EQ, GEQ). The matrix is divided into four quadrants based on the predicted label. The top-left quadrant (EQ predicted for EQ true) is shaded dark gray, the top-right (EQ predicted for GEQ true) is light gray, the bottom-left (GEQ predicted for EQ true) is white, and the bottom-right (GEQ predicted for GEQ true) is black.

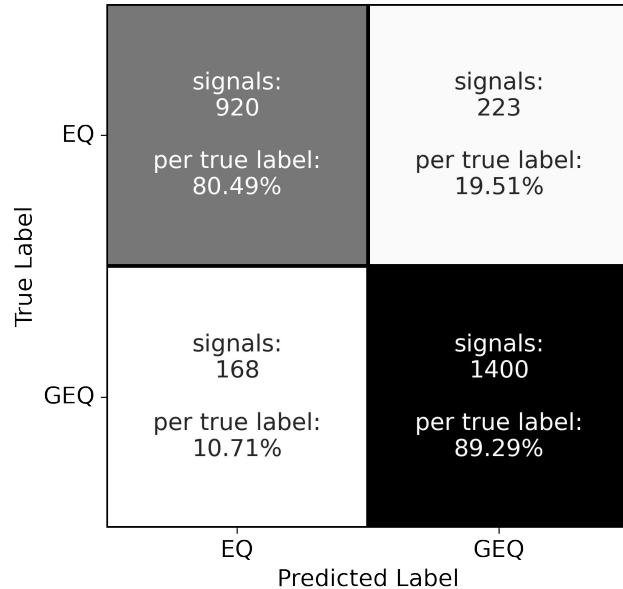
True Label	Predicted Label	
	EQ	GEQ
EQ	signals: 920 per true label: 80.49%	signals: 223 per true label: 19.51%
GEQ	signals: 168 per true label: 10.71%	signals: 1400 per true label: 89.29%

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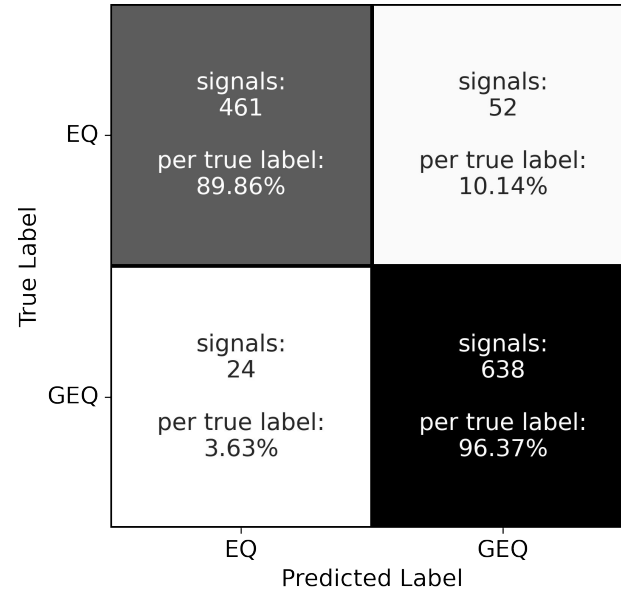
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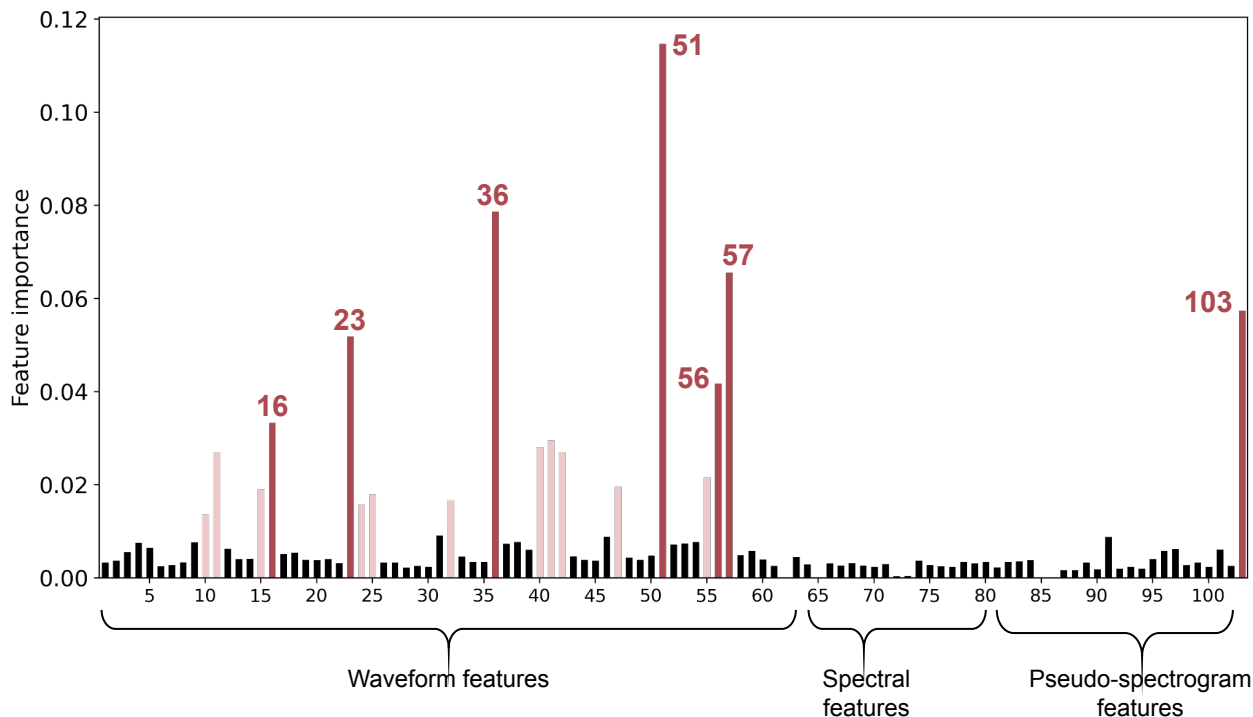
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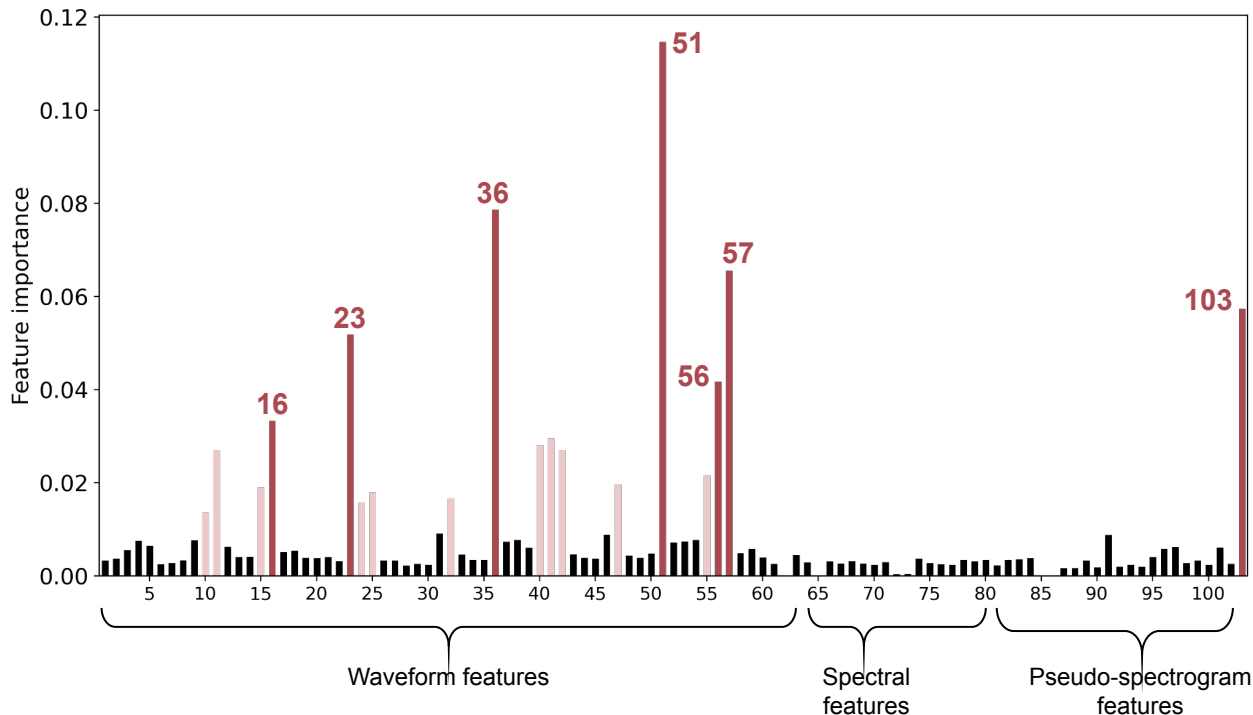
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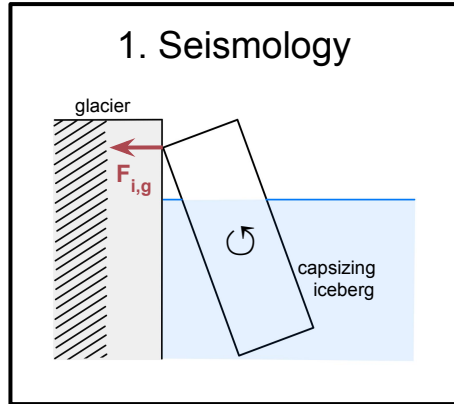
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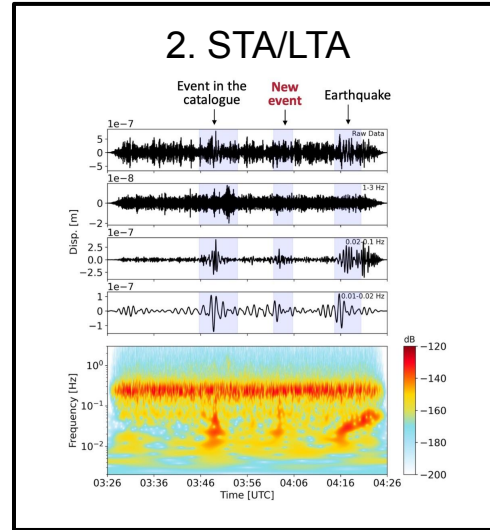
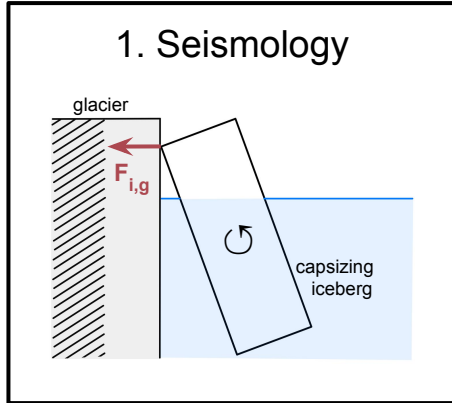
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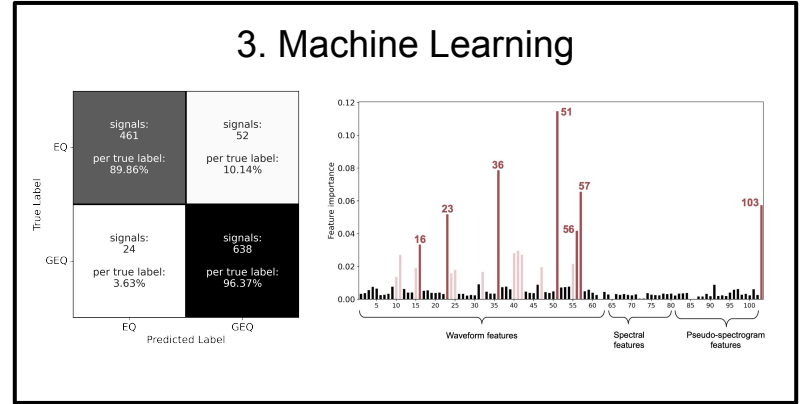
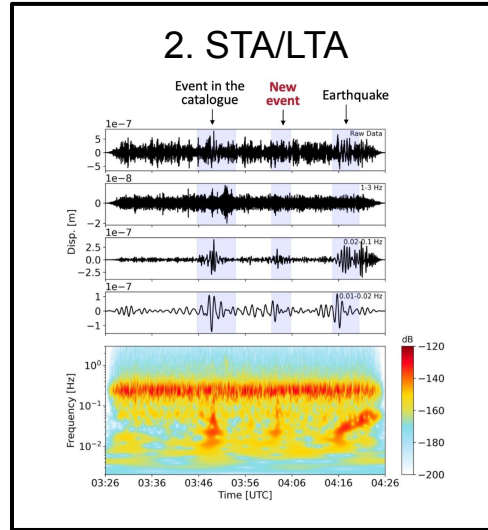
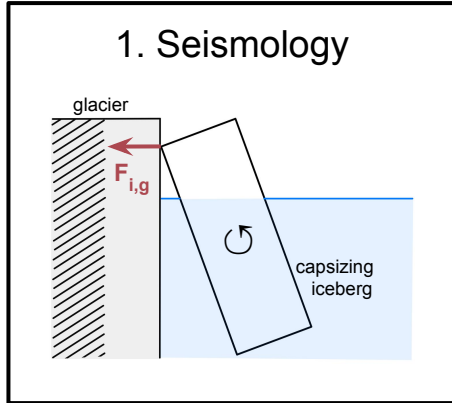
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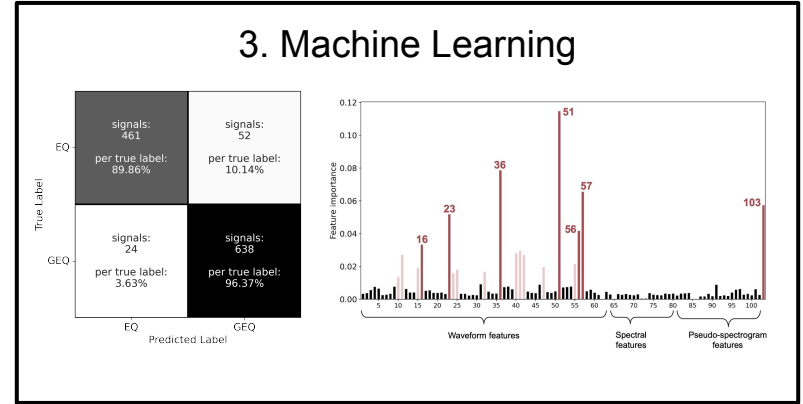
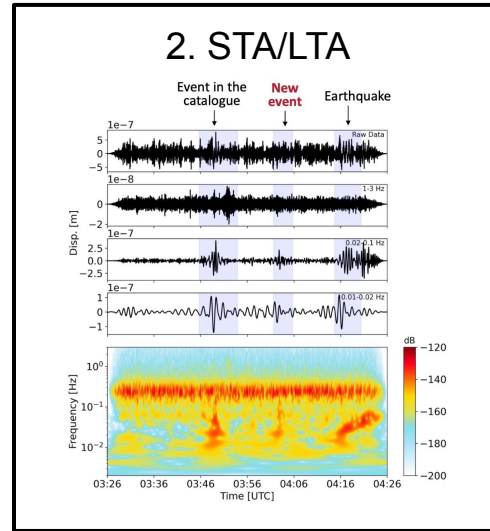
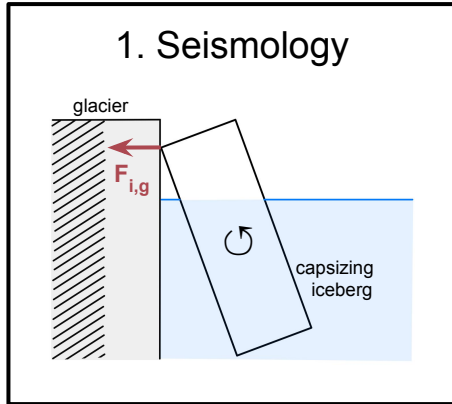
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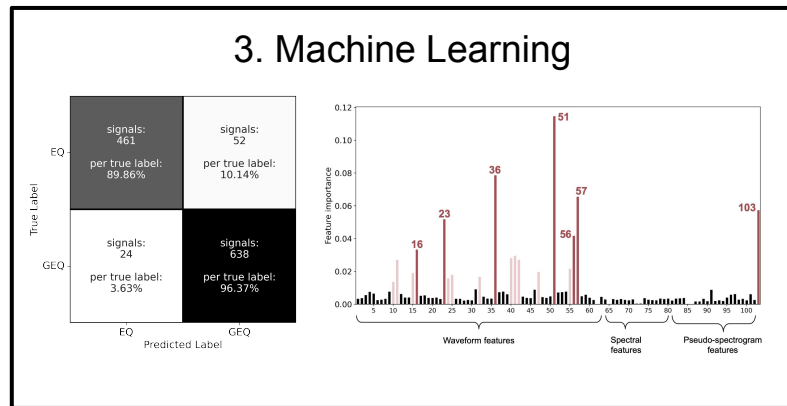
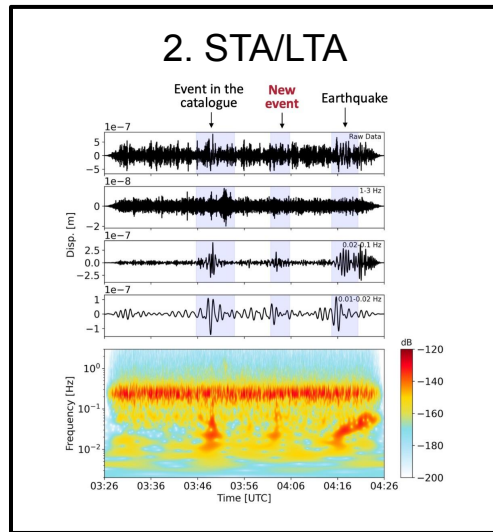
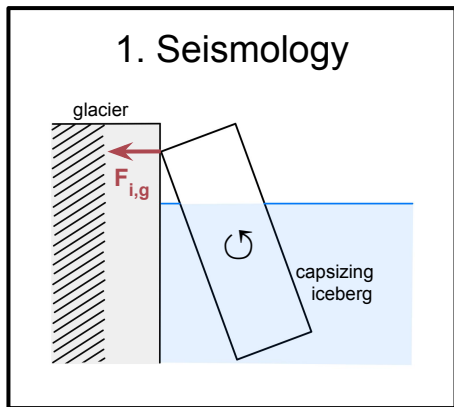


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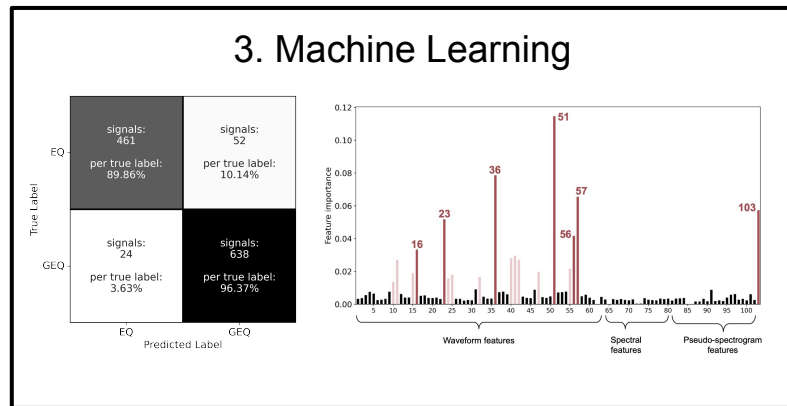
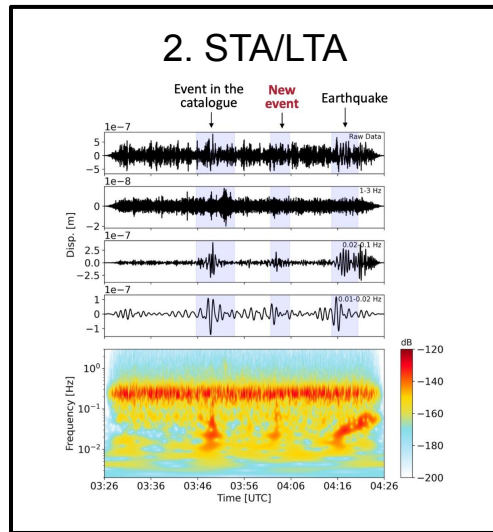
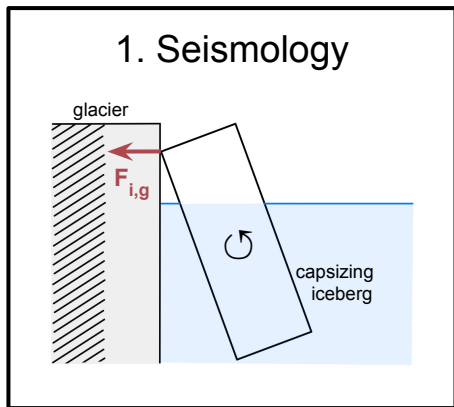


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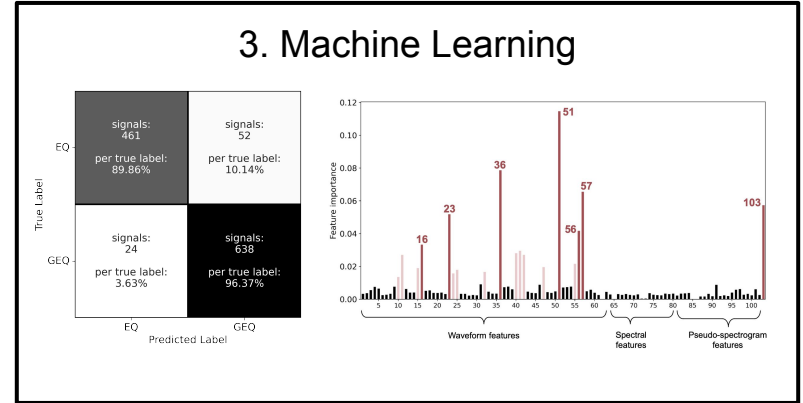
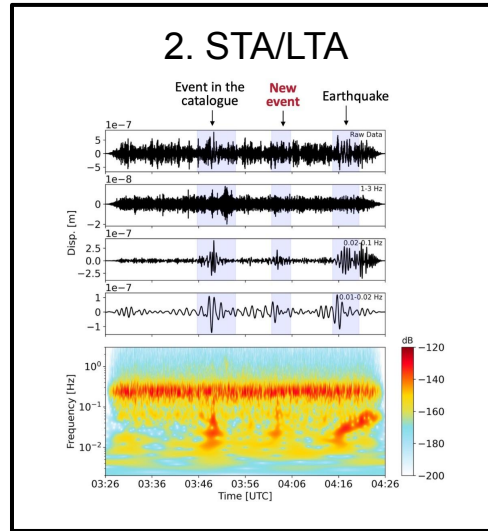
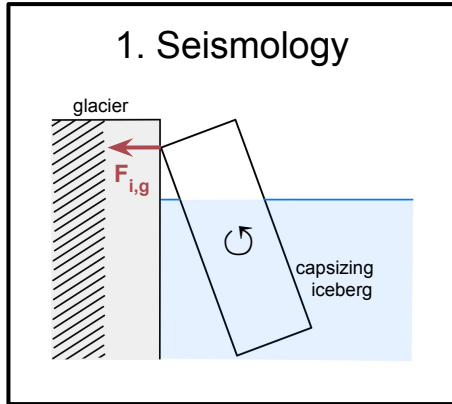
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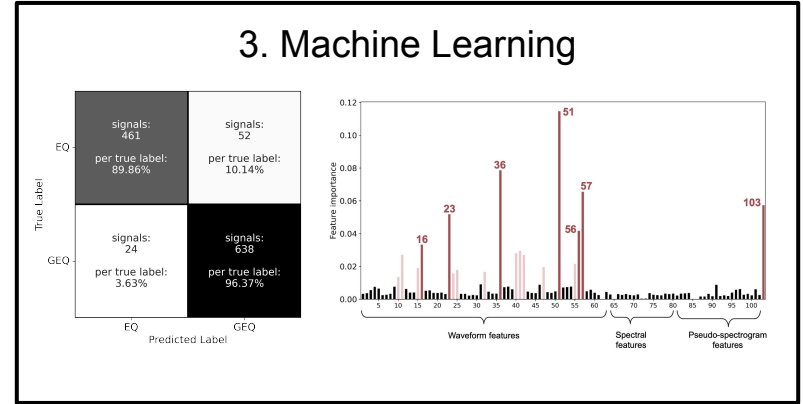
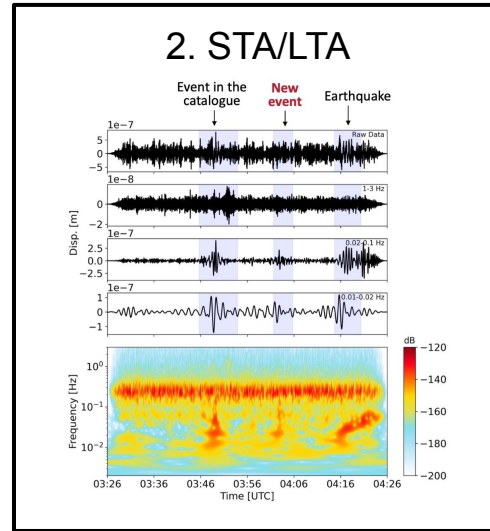
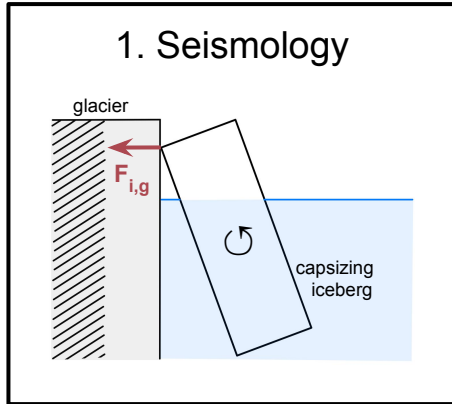
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- Correlations between events and external factors, such as climatic and meteorological

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