

# The IRIS DMC's Earth Model Collaboration

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### Summary

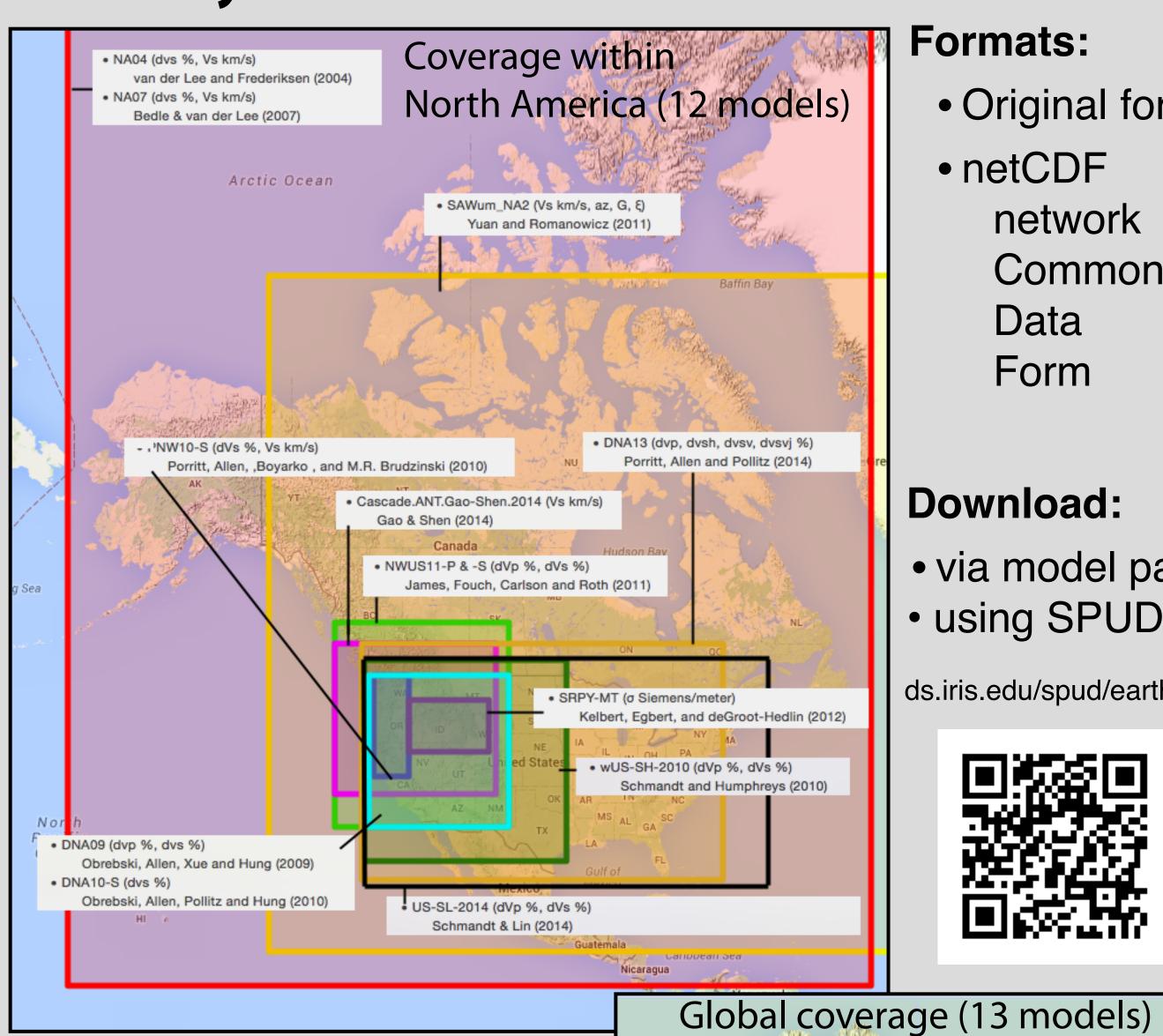
Since November 2011 IRIS Data Management Center (DMC) Earth Model Collaboration (EMC) has served as a community- supported repository of Earth models with the aim of providing access to various Earth models with a uniform format and visualization tools for model preview. The repository currently holds:

- 23 seismic velocity models (3D)
- 7 reference Earth models (1D)
- 1 seismic attenuation (Q) model (3D) 1 electrical conductivity model (3D)

EMC provides a set of online 2D visualization tools that allow users to produce a variety of horizontal slices, vertical slices and velocity profiles from the Earth models. Auxiliary data such as topography, earthquake locations, plate boundaries, etc. may also be included on these plots.

EMC's 3D visualization tool is at its final stage of development. The upcoming 3D display tool will be simple compared to many currently available visualization packages such as Unidata's IDV and ParaView. The intention is to provide simple 3D visualization capabilities that bridge the gap between a very complex viewer and simple 2D model slices.

### **Currently in EMC**



#### Formats:

- Original format
- netCDF network Common Data Form

#### Download:

- via model pages
- using SPUD

ds.iris.edu/spud/earthmodel



Simmons, Forte, Boschi & Grand (2010)

Houser, Masters, Shearer and Laske (2006)

Megnin and Romanowicz (2000

SEMum (dVs %, Vs km/s, E)

Grand & Simmons (2011)

TX2000 (dVs %)

Grand (2000) TX2011 (dVs %)

QRLW8, [d(1/2Q)x1000 wrt QL6c.1D, dln(1/Q)% wrt QL6c.1D]

SAW642AN (dVs %, E, Vs km/s, Vp km/s, p kg/m\*\*3, Qs)

#### Variables:

- Vp compressional velocity
- Vs shear velocity
- G anisotropy strength
- Az anisotropy fast axis direction
- anisotropy parameter
- density
- attenuation
- electrical conductivity

### **Model Information**

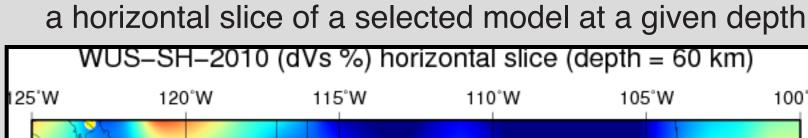
Model information available via model description pages:

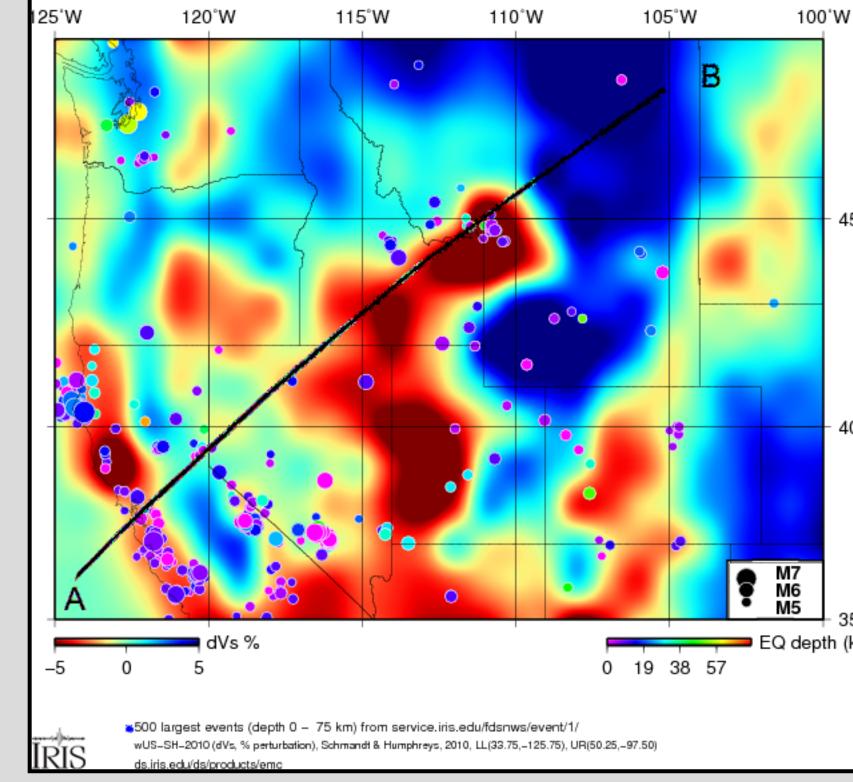
- uniform format
- one page per model
- model overview
- reference information
- link to a supplemental Information page, if provided
- model-related internal and external links
- model download links
- sample image

### 2D Visualization

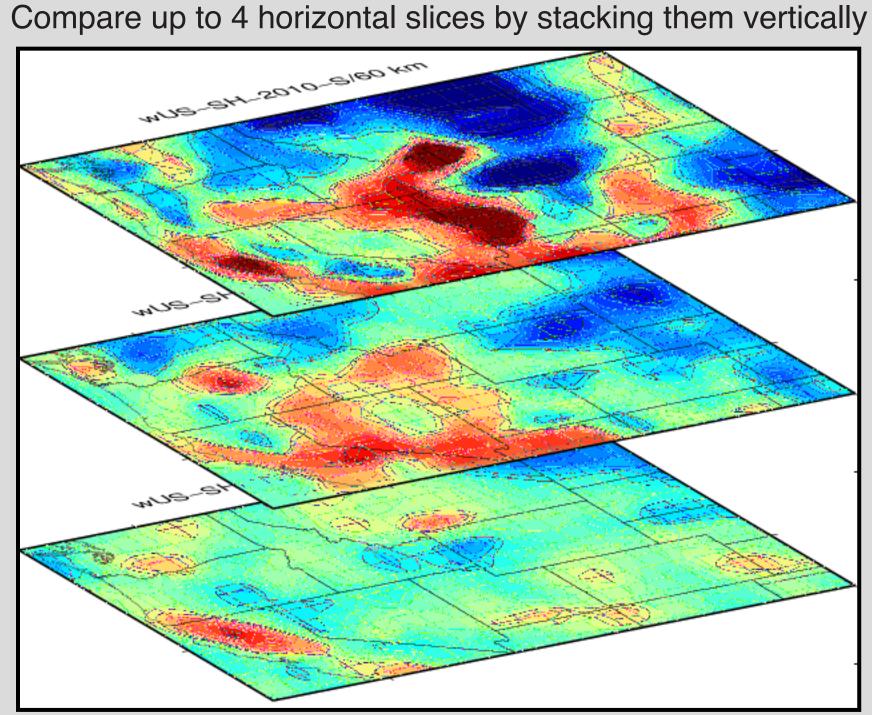
Web-based model visualization with downloadable GMT scripts for offline refinement

### Horizontal Slice Viewer<sup>3</sup>





## Slice Stack Viewer



### Cross-section Stack Viewer Display up to 4 parallel latitude/longitude

cross-sections

wUS-SH-2010 (dVs, % perturbation), Schmandt & Humphreys, 2010

 Depth Profile Viewer Plot model values as a function of depth for up to 4 locations/models

Cross-section Viewer\*

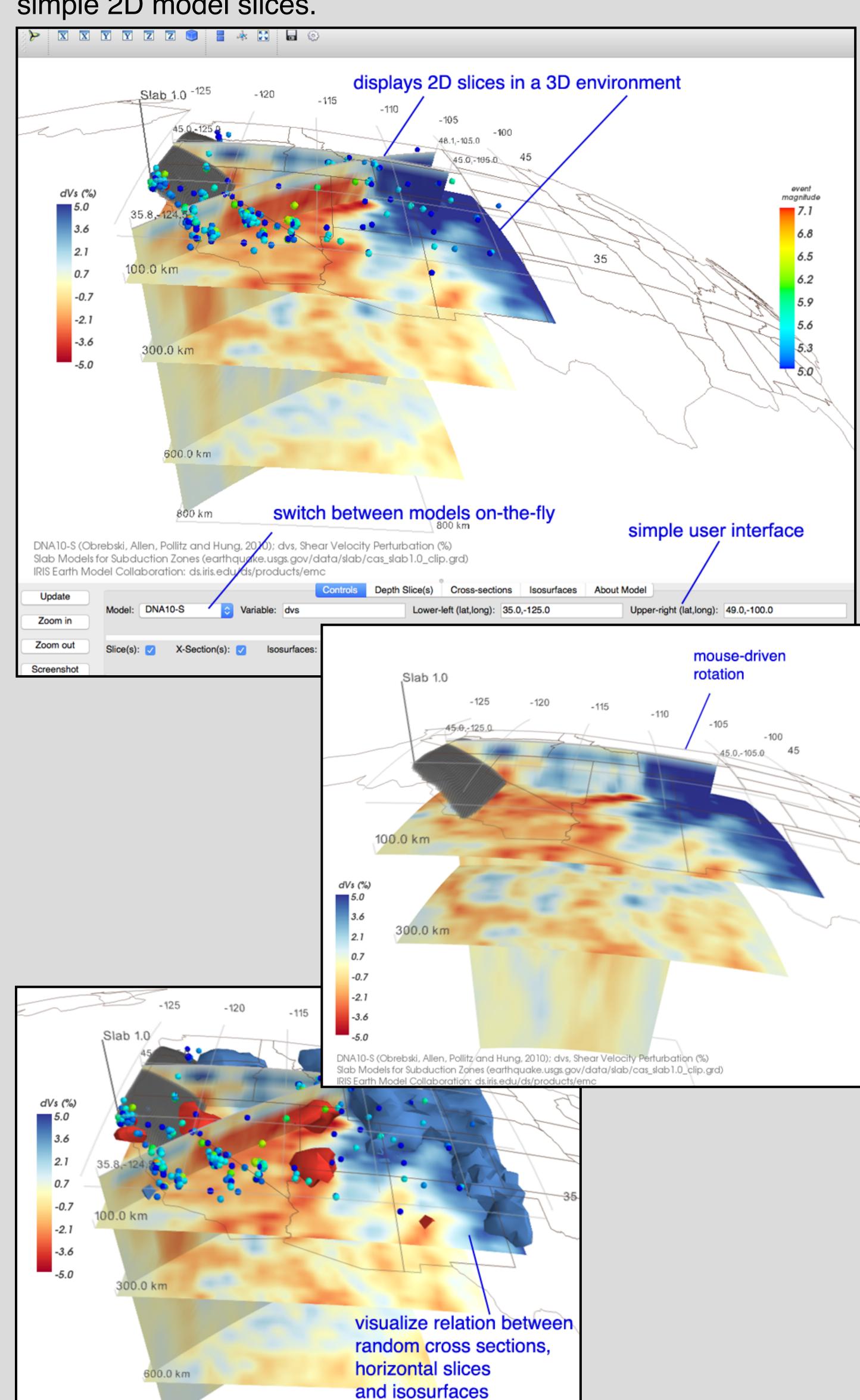
an arbitrary vertical slice through a model

New: select any variable from the netCDF file for plotting

\* supports auxiliary data (topography, earthquake locations, gCMT solutions, plate boundaries, etc.) for plotting

### 3D Visualization (coming soon)

The upcoming 3D visualization tool will be an open source Python desktop application that is intended to provide simple interactive 3D visualization capabilities that bridge the gap between very complex viewers (e.g. Unidata's IDV and ParaView) and the existing EMC's simple 2D model slices.



Contributions are strongly encouraged and instructions have been provided for model creators who wish to share their model via EMC. Contact us at product@iris.washington.edu