



GNSS meteorological application and the instrument development for BeiDou

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Abstract

- Introduction to the GNSS/MET for BeiDou
- The development of the BeiDou radio-sonde system
- ❖ The development of the GNOS for BeiDou occultation on FY-3

Introduction to the GNSS/MET for BeiDou

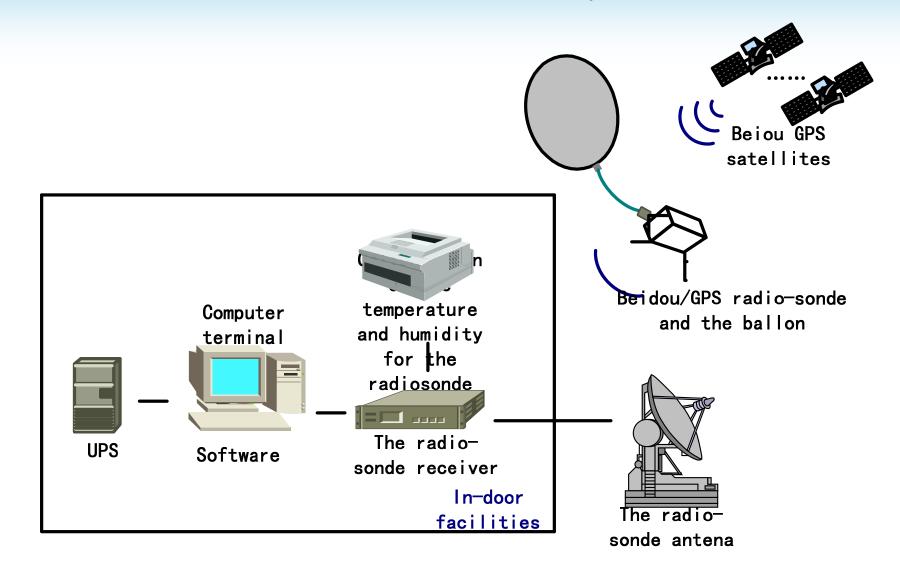
In 2011, China meteorological administration implemented an application – the demonstration project of the atmosphere and marine sounding based the BeiDou navigation system and its meteorological application.

It aims to enhance the 3D observation for the local severe weather over the focused area, to increase the ability of data gathering for the weather forecast, and to better the service of the weather warning over the remote and undeveloped region.

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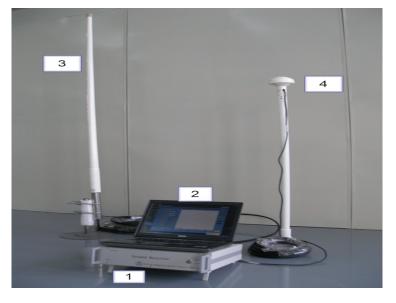


Construction of the BeiDou radio-sonde system



- The radio-sonde
- The surface receiving system
 - 1. The receiver
 - 2. The computer and processing software
 - 3. The radio-sonde antenna
 - 4. The reference differential receiver and antenna





- The BeiDou wind sounding module is the CC50 BeiDou/GPS receiver by Beijing oriental navstar science Co. Ltd.
- The BeiDou antenna is a ceramic active microstrip antenna.



- The system experiments was conducted in 2010 and 2011.
- In 2010, the BeiDou radiosonde was compared with the international GPS radio-sonde.
- In 2011, the BeiDou radiosonde was used for the evaluation of the operation test for BeiDou.



Exp 1—static test

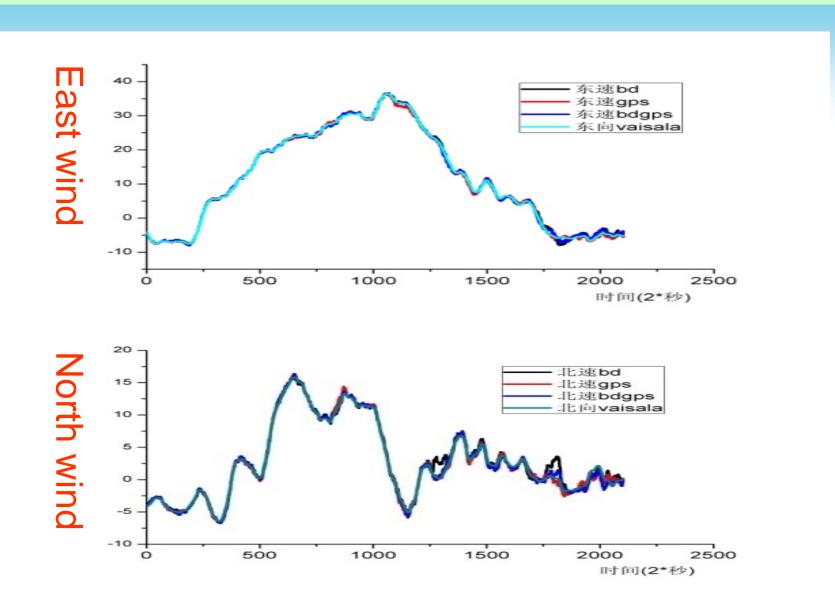
The static performance of positioning and velocity measurement

Model	CEP50 (m)	horizont al STD (m)	Elevatio nal STD (m)	Velocity STD(m/s)	Average PDOP
GPS	2.10	2.67	5.49	0.02	1.8
BeiDou	4.91	6.06	13.12	0.02	2.6
GPS+ BeiDou	2.18	2.8	6.33	0.02	1.2

Test time: 2012-09-12、2012-09-18、2012-09-20

Exp 2—Field experiment

- Compare the performance of positioning and velocity measurement with the BeiDou radio-sonde and the reference GPS radio-sonde tied to the same balloon.
- the BeiDou radio-sonde uses 3 models for positioning and velocity measurement:
 - BeiDou Satellites only
 - GPS satellites only
 - GPS and BeiDou Satellites
- The reference GPS radio-sonde is Vaisala GPS R92 .



Statistical result

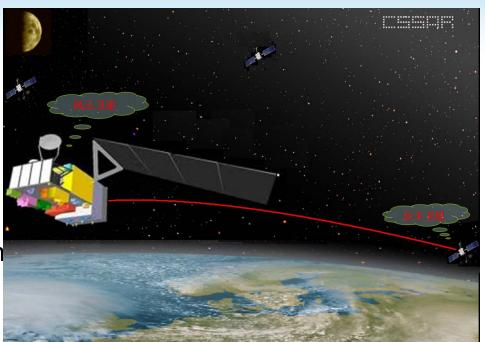
Precision	Wind Speed (m/s)	Wind Direction (degree)
BeiDou only	0.60	4.8
GPS only	0.54	4.0
Bending with GPS and BeiDou	0.50	4.0

The precision demand of current wind sounding is 1 m/s in speed and 5 degrees in direction. It suggest that the module can meet the operational demand of upper air wind sounding with 3 models to measure the wind.

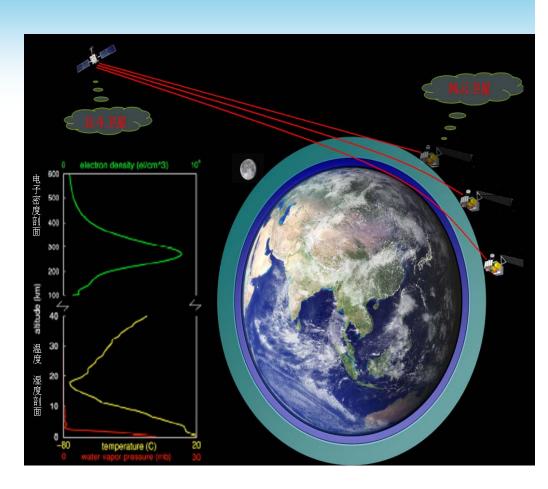
The high precision GNSS receiver is needed for the application of the remote sensing of IPW and TEC. Lauched on the satellite, such receiver even adapted to the circumstance of very high speed.

The GNOS(GNSS Occultation Sounder) will be first launched on China FY-3 /02 (lauched in 2013).

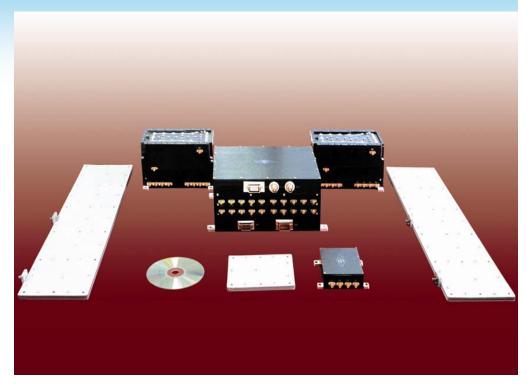
The Occultation application demands high technique of receiver manufacturing and processing of high precision of positioning and remote sensing.



The GNOS receives the earth limb occultaion BD/GPS signal, refracted passing through the atmosphere, retrieving the atmospheric profile of temperature, humidity, and ionospheric profile of TEC, by very high measurement of the path bending and the phase amplitude change.

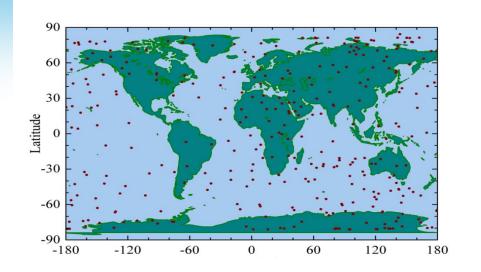


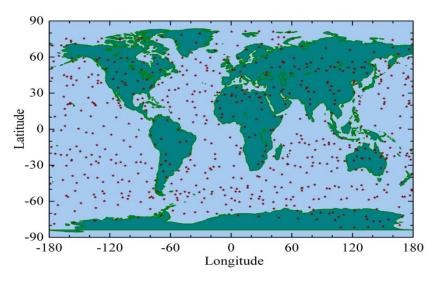
- GNOS receiving both the GPS and the BeiDou signal with 8 positioning charnels and 8 occultation charnels.
- It is consisted of 3 RTF units, a DSP unit and 3 antenna for the forward /backward occultation and the zenith postioning.
- It adopts the open loop tracking technique in the occultation receiving.



GNOS manufactured by
The space technique and application
research center of CSA

- With GPS , about 500 occultation events can be detected.
- With BeiDou orbit of 5GEO/3IGSO/4MEO and 4GEO/3IGSO/2MEO, 320 and 640 events can be detected respecively. (Simulated right)





In 2012, CMA and CSSA jointly conducted the first surface test—the mountain based BeiDou occultation experiment.

The test began on 2012-9-18 and ended on 2012-9-28.

The GNOS was set up on the mountain top of the Mount Wuling (117.478°E, 44.598°N, 2083.28m) with its antenna facing the southeast and covering azimuth of 180 and elevation angle of -35 to +35.

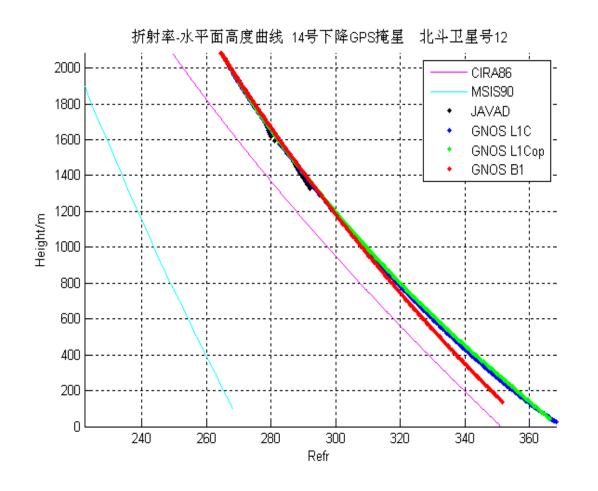


Surface test—the mountain based BeiDou occultation experiment

Total 55 BeiDou occultation events were received, with 14 of MEO11 and 12, and 41 of IGSO.



Comparison of the retrieval from BeiDou (PRN 12) and GPS (PRN14) at 6:00 in 2012-9-23. The result shows less than 3% of reflectivity exist between the GPS and the BeiDou.



PS: black for
JAVAD/L1C retrieval
Blue for GNOS with
close loop retrieval
Green for GNOSwith
L1C open loop retrieval
Red for GNOS
BeiDou retrieval
Purple for CIRA86
computation
Light blue for MSIS90
computation

Summary

- The successful development of the BeiDou radio-sonde system is a trademark for the demonstration and construction of china's next upper air sounding system.
- The GNOS occultation application will enhance the technique of high precision receiver manufacturing and positioning and remote sensing, and deepen and widen the BeiDou scientific application.

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