

# **Galileo IOV Timing Results**

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## **Galileo Timing User specs**



<b>User Performance</b>	Specification
Frequency Accuracy (expressed as a normalised frequency offset relative to UTC, 2 sigma, over any 24 h interval)	< 3 x 10 <sup>-13</sup>
User UTC determination uncertainty (2 sigma)	< 30 ns



PTF-Precise Timing Facility TSP-Time Service Provider

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## **Navigation and Metrological Timekeeping**

![](_page_3_Picture_1.jpeg)

# Precise Timing Facility (PTF) Core System

- **Navigation Timekeeping critical for navigation** 
  - ★ Stable and autonomous timescale
  - ★ Synchronisation of ground facilities
  - ★ Reference for satellite orbit and clock prediction
  - ★ Internal time tagging

**Metrological Timekeeping – necessary for Galileo Timing Service** 

- ★ Accurate timescale synchronised to UTC (modulo 1 second)
- ★ Implementation of ITU recommendations
- ★ (Legally) valid time-tagging of user position and time
- ★ Timing service for specialised users

#### **Time Service Provider**

![](_page_3_Picture_14.jpeg)

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Galileo System Time (GST) shall be a continuous co-ordinate time scale in a geocentric reference frame, steered towards the UTC modulo 1 second.

**GST start epoch:** 00:00 on Sunday August 22nd 1999 (midnight between August 21st and 22nd). At the start epoch, GST shall be ahead of UTC by thirteen (13) leap seconds.

GST-UTC = 16 s (as of 01/07/2012)

**GST format** as broadcast in the satellite navigation message

- □ Week Number (WN)
- □ Seconds of Week

#### **GST and GPSTime**:

- □ GST-UTC = GPST-UTC
- $\Box$  WN(GST) = WN(GPSTime(w. roll-over)) 1024
- □ Seconds of Week (GST) = Seconds of Week (GPSTime)

## Galileo System Time vs. UTC mod 1 sec

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![](_page_5_Figure_2.jpeg)

due to delay in UTC estimation (1.5 months)

not to scale

# Galileo vs. BIPM, USNO, GPS

Recipient ECINOS

![](_page_6_Figure_2.jpeg)

## **Time Service Provider**

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NOTE: Currently the TSP function is operationally fulfilled by the Time Validation Facility (TVF) until TSP is in place.

UTC(k) laboratories contributing to TVF IOV:

![](_page_7_Picture_4.jpeg)

#### UTC(k) and UTCpredicted vs. GST (MC) Early Results

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![](_page_8_Figure_2.jpeg)

The plot shows daily average of GST(MC) offset to the national real-time realizations of UTC, named UTC(k). The offset UTC(k)-GST(MC) is measured using TWTFT and GPS CV techniques. The real time approximation of UTC named UTCapprox is the average of the five UTC(k)'s predicted vs UTC.

#### UTC-GST(MC) Time and Freq. Offset Early Results

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![](_page_9_Figure_2.jpeg)

UTC-GST(MC) offset is evaluated monthly using BIPM Circular T

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## UTC-GST(MC) Prediction Error Early Results

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![](_page_10_Figure_2.jpeg)

- TVF daily evaluates a prediction value for UTC-GST(MC) time offset. The prediction is broadcast in the Galileo navigation message.
- The UTC-GST(MC) prediction error is evaluated by TVF monthly when CircularT is available.
- Through-out the IOV campaign, UTC-GST(MC) prediction error remains within +/- 5 ns

# **UTC Dissemination through Galileo**

![](_page_11_Picture_1.jpeg)

#### **TU Recommendation 460-4, point 1:**

- ★ all standard-frequency and time-signal emissions conform as closely as possible to Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)...
- Galileo provides both precise positioning and timing capabilities (UTC dissemination)
- In all its services, Galileo broadcasts conversion parameters between its internal timescale GST and UTC (but not DUT1)

Parameter	Definition	Bits	Scale	Unit
			factor	
A <sub>0</sub>	Constant term of polynomial	32*	2 <sup>-30</sup>	S
A <sub>1</sub>	1 <sup>st</sup> order term of polynomial	24*	2-50	s/s
$\Delta t_{LS}$	Leap Second count before leap second adjustment	8*	1	S
t <sub>ot</sub>	UTC data reference Time of Week	8	3600	S
WN <sub>0t</sub>	UTC data reference Week Number	8	1	week
WN <sub>LSF</sub>	Week Number of leap second adjustment	8	1	week
DN	Day Number at the end of which a leap second	S	1	day
	adjustment becomes effective			
∆t <sub>LSF</sub>	Leap Second count after leap second adjustment	8*	1	S
	GST-UTC Conversion Parameters	99		

#### Broadcast GPS-Galileo Time Offset (GGTO) Early results

![](_page_12_Figure_1.jpeg)

 The TVF estimates GGTO and compares its value with the GGTO transmitted in the navigation message (evaluated by PTF).

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- The TVF's GST(MC)-GPSTime estimate is based on the PTF GPS receiver directly connected to GST(MC) and retrieving GPSTime from GPS Signal In Space.
- GGTO is not always updated daily.
- The broadcast value is mainly in good agreement with the TVF estimate

![](_page_13_Picture_0.jpeg)

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# http://www.esa.int/Our\_Activities/Galileo http://ec.europa.eu/galileo

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