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GNSS Introduction

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What is GNSS?

 GNSS or Global Navigation Satellite System is an acronym used to represent all navigation satellite systems such as

Satellite	Country	Coverage		
GPS	USA	Global		
GLONASS	Russia	Global		
Galileo	Europe	Global		
BeiDou (BDS)	China	Global		
QZSS (Michibiki)	Japan	Regional		
NavIC	India	Regional		

- ✓ GPS and GLONASS have signals for civilian and military usage
 - Military signals are encrypted and not available for civilian use
- ✓ Galileo and BeiDou also have Open and Restricted Signals
- ✓ All civilian signals are freely available
- ✓ Technical information for civilian signals are made public
 - Necessary to develop a receiver
 - Its called ICD (Interface Control Document) or IS (Interface Specification)



 $https://gssc.esa.int/navipedia/images/c/cf/GNSS_All_Signals.png$





Systems Related with Navigation



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Space Segment GNSS System Architecture







Satellite Based Augmentation System (SBAS)

- Satellite Based Augmentation System (SBAS) are used to augment GNSS Data
 - Provide Higher Accuracy and Integrity
 - Correction data for satellite orbit errors, satellite clock errors, atmospheric correction data and satellite health status are broadcasted from satellites

• SBAS Service Providers

- WAAS, USA (131,133,135,138)
- MSAS, Japan (129,137)
- EGNOS, Europe (120,121,123,124,126,136)
- BDSBAS, China (130,143,144)
- GAGAN, India (127,128,132)
- SDCM, Russia (125,140,141)
- KASS, Korea (134), Also KPS Navigation System
- AUS-NZ, Australia (122)
- Nigeria SBAS (ASCENA), (147)
- ASAL, Algeria (148)

PRN code numbers are given in the bracket





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 - Used by ICAO for Aviation
- SBAS Service Providers
 - WAAS, USA
 - MSAS, Japan
 - EGNOS, Europe
 - GAGAN, India
 - SDCM, Russia
 - ASCENA SBAS
 - Korea (Also navigation system)
 - Australia







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GPS Skyplots: Tokyo, Jakarta and Maputo Tokyo Base-Station Jakarta Base-Station Maputo Base-Station















GNSS Signal Visibility: Skyplot







GNSS Overview

Please refer the following link for detail information on each system's constellation, services and current status and future plans:

https://www.unoosa.org/oosa/en/ourwork/icg/meetings/icg-16/icgannual-meeting-2022-presentations.html





GPS Constellation



37 Satellites • 31 Set Healthy Baseline Constellation: 24 Satellites

Satellite Block	Quantity	Average Age (yrs)	Oldest	
GPS IIR	12 (5*)	20.7	25.1	
GPS IIR-M	8 (1*)	14.9	16.9	
GPS IIF	12	8.6	12.3	
GPS III	5	2.4	3.7	
*Not s	et healthy	As	of 27 Aug 22	

GPS Signal in Space (SIS) Performance

Week ending on 3 Sept 22

Average URE*	Best Day URE	Worst Day URE		
49.1 cm	31.5 cm (20 Apr 21)	64.8 cm (20 May 22)		

*All User Range Errors (UREs) are Root Mean Square values

Source: U.S. Space-Based Positioning, Navigation and Timing (PNT), Status and Policy Update ICG16, 10 October 2022, Harold W. Martin III, Director, National Coordination Office

https://www.unoosa.org/documents/pdf/icg/2022/ICG16/01.pdf





GPS Segments



ICG16, 10 October 2022, Harold W. Martin III, Director, National Coordination Office

www.gps.gov





GLONASS Space Segment



Source: https://www.unoosa.org/documents/pdf/icg/2022/ICG16/02.pdf





GLONASS Constellation



GLONASS-K2 launch campaign

2022 - 2030



broadcast of civil L1OC, L2OC, L3OC (CDMA) & L1OF, L2OF (FDMA) for backward receiver compatibility

By 2030 at least 12 MEO satellites will be operational

using a unified phased array antenna for all signals

expected average SIS URE ~ 0.2 - 0.3 m

expected clock stability ~ 5×10^{-15} due to new passive H-maser

Second and third generation constellation

GLONASS-K (3) + 7 satellites until 2025



GLONASS-M (23) + 1 satellite in 2023 or 2024

L3 capability



6 GLONASS-M & 10 GLONASS-K satellites in orbit will be capable to broadcast GLONASS L3OC CDMA signal by 2025

lonospheric correction



Global ionospheric model is already broadcast via L3OC signal (in accordance with ICD) and will be broadcast L1OF & L2OF signals after its introduction to their ICD

Payloads



5 GLONASS-K satellites will carry COSPAS-SARSAT payload

Source: https://www.unoosa.org/documents/pdf/icg/2022/ICG16/02.pdf





Galileo Constellation



Navigation (23 in service) Search and Rescue (25 in service)



GSAT 104 (Spare, NAVANT failure), relocation from C05 to C14 completed on 12/05/2021

GSAT 204 (Spare, SAR off), relocation from B03 to B14 completed on 06/05/2021 (NAGU 2017045)

GSAT 201/202 (set to unhealthy)

GSAT 210 currently Not Usable ((DVS=WWG), NAGU2022035)

L11 slots on Plane B: B03, B15

GSAT223/224 entered into Service on 29 August

Source: Galileo Programme Status, ICG-162022, Abu Dhabi, European Commission (EC), European Space Agency (ESA), European Union Agency for the Space Programme (EUSPA)

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Galileo Services

- Open Service (OS):
 - Galileo open and free of charge service set up for positioning and timing services.
- Open Service Navigation Message Authentication (OSNMA):
 - Free access service complementing the OS by delivering authenticated data, assuring users that the received Galileo navigation message is coming from the system itself and has not been modified.

High Accuracy Service (HAS):

- A service complementing the OS by providing an additional navigation signal and added-value services in a different frequency band. The HAS signal can be encrypted in order to control the access to the Galileo HAS services.
- Public Regulated Service (PRS):
 - Service restricted to government-authorised users, for sensitive applications that require a high level of service continuity.
- Search and Rescue Service (SAR):
 - Europe's contribution to COSPAS-SARSAT, an international satellite-based search and rescue distress alert detection system.
- Commercial Authentication Service (CAS):
 - A service complementing the OS, providing a controlled access and authentication function to users.

Source: https://www.euspa.europa.eu/galileo/services





BeiDou System and Constellation



- BDS is mainly comprised of three segments: Space Segment, Ground Segment, User Segment.
- Up to now, BDS-3 constellation consists of 3 GEO satellites, 3 IGSO satellites, and 24 MEO satellites.

Source:

BeiDou Navigation Satellite System Construction and Development, 16th Meeting of the International Committee on Global Navigation Satellite Systems, LI Zuohu, China Satellite Navigation Office, Oct. 10, 2022

http://en.beidou.gov.cn





BeiDou System Services



https://www.unoosa.org/documents/pdf/icg/2022/ICG16/04.pdf





QZSS Overview

- Constellation:
 - One GEO satellite, QZS-3, 127E
 Longitude
 - Three QZO satellites (IGSO*)
- Ground System
 - Two master control centers
 - Hitachi-Ota and Kobe
 - Seven TTC Stations
 - Located south-western islands
 - Over 30 monitor stations around the world with the cooperation of countries

* Inclined Geosynchronous Orbit





Source: https://www.unoosa.org/documents/pdf/icg/2022/ICG16/06.pdf





QZSS Development Plan

The seven satellites constellation is scheduled to complete around JFY2023. We are currently developing three new satellites and upgrading the ground system for them.



With the completion of three more new satellites, we will be able to provide a positioning/timing by ourselves under certain conditions and new services, a message authentication service, MADOCA-PPP and extended EWSs.



https://www.unoosa.org/documents/pdf/icg/2022/ICG16/06.pdf





QZSS 7 Satellite Constellation

- The three additional satellites will be placed on an IGSO, a GEO on 90.5 East Longitude and a Quasi-Geostationary Orbit on 175 West Longitude. This constellation aims to be as follows:
 - More than one satellites can always be seen at high elevation angle.
 - More than four satellites can be seen as long as possible.
 - The DOP, Dilution Of Precision, can be as low as possible



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QZSS Signals

Signal	Frequency	Sorvico	Compatibility	QZS-1/1R	QZS-2/4	QZS-3
Signal	MHz	Service	Compatibility	IGSO	IGSO	GEO
L1C/A		Positioning	Complement GPS	✓	\checkmark	~
L1C		Positioning	Complement GPS	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark
L1C/B	1575.42	Positioning	Complement GPS	✓ *only QZS1R	-	-
L1S		Augmentation(SLAS)	DGPS (Code Phase Positioning)	✓	~	~
		Messaging Short Messaging		\checkmark	✓	✓
L1Sb		Augmentation(SBAS)	SBAS (L1) Service	-	-	✓
L2C	1227.60	0 Positioning Complement GPS		✓	 ✓ 	✓
L5 I/Q	1176 45	Positioning	Complement GPS	\checkmark	✓	✓
L5S	1170.45	Experimental(L5 SBAS) L5 SE		✓ *only QZS1R	✓	✓
L6D	4070 75	Augmentation(CLAS)	PPP-RTK (Carrier Phase Positioning)	✓	✓	~
L6E	12/8./5	Experimental(MADOCA)	PPP, PPP-AR (Carrier Phase Positioning)	✓ *only QZS1R	~	✓





QZSS Signal Authentication Services

- QZSS Navigation Message Authentication service, QZNMA, will be lunched in 2024 <u>as</u> part of the resilience enhancement against spoofing attacks.
- Navigation messages in the following signals are authenticated with using Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA P256).
 - QZSS signals (L1C/A(C/B), L1C, L5) are directly protected by self-authentication
 - GNSS signals (GPS: L1C/A, L1C, L5, Galileo:E1b, E5a) are protected by crossauthentication (L6E)
- A tentative Interface Specification (IS-QZSS-SAS) will be issued by the end of this year.



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NavIC and GAGAN System



NavIC: Indian Regional Navigation Satellite System

- Provides SPS (civilian) and RS (Restricted) services in L5 and S band
- Service area: India and 1500km beyond its geo-political boundary.



GAGAN: GPS Aided GEO Augmented Navigation

- Provides Air Navigation services (Safety of Life) over Indian Flight Information Region (FIR)
- ➢ GAGAN certified for RNP 0.1 and APV 1.0





NavIC System Architecture

Space Segment						
Nominal Constellation	7 satellites (3 GSO, 4 IGSO)					
Ground Segment						
Navigation Centres	2					
One way ranging stations	17					
Two way ranging stations	5					
Network Timing Centre	2 (upgraded with in-house timescale)					
Spacecraft Control Centre	2					
Frequency band	L5, S and L1*					
Service	SPS and RS					

Source: NavIC and GAGAN System Updates, Hemanth Kumar Reddy, Group Director - Space Navigation Group Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO), India, ICG-16, October 2022





KPS Configuration and KPS Segments (Korea)



KPS Segments







- 3 GEO Satellites
- 5 IGSO Satellites
- Payloads : Navigation, Time-sync., SBAS, and SAR
- Operation Centers
- Satellite Control Centers
- Antenna Stations
- Monitoring Stations
- Mission Control Stations
- Research and
 Development Receiver
- Reference Station Receiver
- Test and Evaluation Receiver
- User Receivers

Source: KPS and KASS Update, Ministry of Science and ICT, 10th October 2022, ICG Meeting





KPS Development Plan



Source: KPS and KASS Update, Ministry of Science and ICT, 10th October 2022, ICG Meeting





KASS



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GNSS Working Principle





GNSS: How does it work? Determine the Distance using Radio Wave







Pseudorange (Code-Phase Measurement) - 1







GNSS: How does it work? Principle of Satellite-based Navigation

 (x^k, y^k, z^k)

Receiver generates its own GPS signal similar to the signal coming from the satellite for each satellite

- → Its called Replica Signal
- → The Replica Signal includes PRN Code and Carrier Signal
- ➔ This Replica Signal is moved forward and backward to match with the incoming signal

$$\rho^{k} = \sqrt{\left(x_{0} - x_{s}^{k}\right)^{2} + \left(y_{0} - y_{s}^{k}\right)^{2} + \left(z_{0} - z_{s}^{k}\right)^{2}} + \varepsilon$$

If k \geq 4, solve for x, y, z and errors including clock bias ε

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Correlation between Incoming Signal and Receiver Generated Signal













Pseudorange equation

Ideal Case:

$$\rho_0 = c(t_r - t_s)$$



Simplified Equation: $\rho = \rho_0 + c(\delta t_r - \delta t_s) + \varepsilon$





Pseudorange model

$$\rho = \sqrt{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_s)^2 + (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}_s)^2 + (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}_s)^2} + c(\delta t_r - \delta t_s) + \varepsilon$$

$$\rho_0$$

Where:

x, y, z : Unknown receiver position delta tr: Unknown receiver clock error epsilon : minimize this error by finding an optimal solution

- In order to solve the above equations, we need "n" simultaneous nonlinear equations from "n" pseudorange observations.
- We need at least 4 independent observations in order to determine 4 unknown parameters, x, y, z and receiver clock error.



Range between satellite and receiver





PRN (Pseudo Random Noise) Code

- PRN Code is a sequence of randomly distributed zeros and ones that is one millisecond long.
 - This random distribution follows a specific code generation pattern called Gold Code.
 - There are 1023 zeros and ones in one millisecond.
- Each GPS satellite transmits a unique PRN Code.
 - GPS receiver identifies satellites by its unique PRN code or ID.
- It continually repeats every millisecond
 - The receiver can detect where the PRN code terminated or repeated.
 - A unique sequence of bits indicates start of a PRN code.
- It helps to measure signal transit time and compute pseudorange between the receiver and the satellite





Pseudorange (Code-Phase Measurement) - 2





Carrier-Phase Measurement – 1

- Carrier-Phase measurement is done by counting the number of cycles coming from the satellite to the receiver.
- However, there are many complexities in measuring total number of cycles (N) from the satellite to the receiver.
 - This is called integer ambiguity
 - This is due to the fact that all cycles are the same and there are no headers to tell the receiver when a new cycle has arrived after number of cycles as in PRN code.
 - A PRN code has a header to tell the receiver that this is the beginning of the PRN code that is 1023 chips long.
 - There are algorithms to solve this problem of ambiguity resolution.
- One complete cycle for GPS L1 band is 19cm long.
 - Thus, if we can measure one wavelength, we can get 19cm accuracy
 - If we can measure 1/10th of a cycle, we get about 2cm accuracy.
 - Thus, Carrier-Phase measurement can provide centimeter level accuracy.









Code-Phase (PRN Code) vs. Carrier-Phase Measurement



Code-Phase Measurement	Carrier-Phase Measurement
Measuring distance between the satellite and the receiver with a tape that has distance markings as well as distance values written. So that we can measure correct distance.	Measuring distance between the satellite and the receiver with a tape that has distance markings but distance values are not written. We only know that each distance marker is 19cm apart. So, we need to count at certain point the number of cycles separately that's coming to the receiver.
Only provide meter level accuracy	Provides centimeter level accuracy





GPS L1C/A Signal Structure







GPS Signals

Band	Frequency, MHz	Signal Type	Code Length msec	Chip Rate, MHz	Modulation Type	Data / Symbol Rate, bps/sps	Notes	
L1 1575.42		C/A	1	1.023	BPSK	50	Legacy Signal	
	1575.42	C _{Data}	10	1.023	BOC(1,1)	50 / 100	From 2014	
		C _{Pilot}	10	1.023	ТМВОС	No Data	BOC(1,1) & BOC(6,1)	
		P(Y)	7 days	10.23	BPSK		Restricted	
		СМ	20	0.5115	DDC //	25 / 50	Modulated by TDM of	
L2	1227.60	CL	1500	0.5115	ВЬ2К	No Data	(L2CM xor Data) and L2CL	
		P(Y)	7days	10.23	BPSK			
L5	1176 //5	I	1	10.23	BDSK	50 / 100	Provides Higher Accuracy	
	11/0.45	Q	1	10.25	אכ ום	No Data		





Data Formats: Standard Formats: NMEA, RINEX, RTCM, BINEX Proprietary Data Formats: UBX, SBF, JPS, Txx/Rxx etc.

References: https://www.nmea.org/





National Marine Electronics Association (NMEA) Format

- NMEA is format to output measurement data from a sensor in a pre-defined format in ASCII
- In the case of GPS, It outputs GPS position, velocity, time and satellite related data
- NMEA sentences (output) begins with a "Talker ID" and "Message Description"
 - Example: \$GPGGA,123519,4807.038,N,01131.000,E,1,08,0.9,545.4,M,46.9,M,,*47
 - "\$GP" is Talker ID
 - "GGA" is Message Description to indicate for Position Data





NMEA Data Format

GGA - Fix data which provide 3D location and accuracy data.

\$GPGGA,123519,4807.038,N,01131.000,E,1,08,0.9,545.4,M,46.9,M,,*47

Where: GGA Global Positioning System Fix Data						
123519	Fix taken at 12:35:19 UTC					
4807.038, N	Latitude 48 deg 07.038' N					
01131.000, E	Longitude 11 deg 31.000' E					
1 Fix quality:						

1 Fix quality:	
	0 = invalid ,
	1 = GPS fix (SPS),
	2 = DGPS fix,
	3 = PPS fix,
	4 = Real Time Kinematic
	5 = Float RTK
	6 = estimated (dead reckoning) (2.3 feature)
	7 = Manual input mode
	8 = Simulation mode
08	Number of satellites being tracked
0.9	Horizontal dilution of position
545.4 <i>,</i> M	Altitude, Meters, above mean sea level
46.9 <i>,</i> M	Height of geoid (mean sea level) above WGS84 ellipsoid
(empty field)	time in seconds since last DGPS update (empty field) DGPS station ID number
*47	the checksum data, always begins with *





RINEX Data Format

- RINEX: Receiver Independent Exchange Format is a data exchange format for raw satellite data among different types of receivers.
 - Different types of receivers may output position and raw data in proprietary formats
 - For post-processing of data using DGPS or RTK it is necessary to use data from different types of receivers. A common data format is necessary for this purpose.
 - Example: How to post process data from Trimble, Novatel and Septenrtio receivers to compute a position?
- RINEX only provides Raw Data. It does not provide position output.
 - User has to post-process RINEX data to compute position
 - Raw data consists of Pseudorage, Carrierphase, Doppler, SNR
- RINEX basically consists of two data types
 - "*.*N" file for Satellite and Ephemeris Related data.
 - Also called Navigation Data
 - "*.*O" file for Signal Observation Data like Pseudorange, Carrier Phase, Doppler, SNR
 - Also called Observation Data
- The latest RINEX version is 3.04, 23 NOV 2018
 - Note: Not all the software and receivers are yet compatible with the latest version
 - Make sure which version of RINEX works the best with your software



RINEX "N" File for GPS

	2.11	NAVIGA	TION DATA	GPS (GPS)		RINEX VER	SION / TYPE
cn	vtToRINEX 2.9	0.0 conver	tTORINEX OPR	05-Jul-17	03:38 UTC	PGM / RUN	BY / DATE
						COMMENT	
	0.8382D-08	0.2235D-07	-0.5960D-07	-0.1192D-00	5	ION ALPHA	
	0.8602D+05	0.6554D+05	-0.1311D+06	-0.4588D+06	5	ION BETA	
	-0.931322574	615D-09-0.3	55271367880D	-14 405504	4 1947	DELTA-UTC	: A0,A1,T,W
	18					LEAP SECO	NDS
						END OF HE	ADER
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	0.370000000	000D+02-0.8	06250000000D	+01 0.455840	0416154D-08	8-0.192420	920137D+01
	-0.353902578	354D-06 0.1	11064908560D	-02 0.826455	5652714D-05	0.515371	503258D+04
	0.864000000	000D+05-0.7	82310962677D	-07 0.67564	7076441D-01	-0.838190	317154D-07
	0.958529124	300D+00 0.2	21156250000D	+03-0.265074	4890978D+01	-0.796390	315710D-08
	-0.389659088	008D-09 0.1	000000000000	+01 0.194700	000000D+04	0.000000	000000D+00
	0.240000000	000D+01 0.0	000000000000D	+00 0.465661	L287308D-09	0.370000	000000D+02
	0.795120000	000D+05 0.4	000000000000	+01 0.000000	000000D+00	0.000000	000000D+00
24	17 05 01 00	00 0.0-0.3	41213308275D	-04-0.454747	7350886D-12	0.000000	000000D+00
	0.100000000	000D+02 0.7	87812500000D	+02 0.459340	0561950D-08	0.167267	059468D+01
	0.404566526	413D-05 0.5	64297637902D	-02 0.102464	4109659D-04	0.515370	226479D+04
	0.864000000	000D+05-0.7	82310962677D	-07 0.108980	5675687D+01	0.484287	738800D-07
	0.945651423	640D+00 0.1	70906250000D	+03 0.490563	3049326D+00	0.815641	117584D-08
	-0.128933942	045D-09 0.1	000000000000D	+01 0.194700	000000D+04	0.000000	000000D+00
	0.24000000	000D+01 0.0	00000000000D	+00 0.279390	5772385D-08	0.100000	000000D+02
	0.792180000	000D+05 0.4	00000000000D	+01 0.000000	000000D+00	0.000000	000000D+00





RINEX "O" File GPS, GLONASS, GALILEO, QZSS, SBAS

	2.11 OBSERVATION DATA Mixed (MIXED)			RINEX VERSION / TYPE							
cnvt	ToF	RINEX	2.90.0	conve	ertToRI	INEX OF	PR 05-J1	ıl-17	03:38	UTC	PGM / RUN BY / DATE
											COMMENT
KMBA											MARKER NAME
KMBA											MARKER NUMBER
DM				UT							OBSERVER / AGENCY
5536	R50	0102		TRIM	BLE NET	rr9	5.20				REC # / TYPE / VERS
				UNKN	OWN EXT	2					ANT # / TYPE
-39	555	510.89	82 335	57111.	6791 3	3697796	.5495				APPROX POSITION XYZ
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	1	1	0								WAVELENGTH FACT L1/2
	8	C1	C2	C3	L1	L2	L3	P1	P2		# / TYPES OF OBSERV
	1.	000									INTERVAL
20	17	5	1	0	0	0.0	000000	G	PS		TIME OF FIRST OBS
20	17	5	1	23	59	59.0	000000	G	PS		TIME OF LAST OBS
	0										RCV CLOCK OFFS APPL
	18										LEAP SECONDS
	59										# OF SATELLITES
G	01	23351	23350	0	23350	46694	0	0	23344		prn / # of obs
G	02	22293	0	0	22293	22286	0	0	22286		prn / # of obs
G	03	19633	19632	0	19632	39259	0	0	19627		prn / # of obs
G	05	25303	25302	0	25299	50599	0	0	25297		prn / # of obs
G	06	24709	24708	0	24709	49411	0	0	24703		prn / # of obs
G	07	27766	27764	0	27764	55505	0	0	27741		PRN / # OF OBS



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RINEX "O" File, Continued from previous slide

S37 8	36400	0 0	86400	0	0 0	0	PRN /	/ # OF OBS
S40 S	56700	0 0	56700	0	0 0	0	PRN /	/ # OF OBS
CARRIER	PHASE ME	ASUREMENI	S: PHASE	SHIFTS	REMOVED		COMME	INT
							END C	OF HEADER
17 5	1 0 0	0.00000)0 0 19G1	0G12G14	4G15G18G2	4G25G31G32R	01R02	2R03
			R1	1R12R13	352852953	37540		
213753	379.406 7	2137538	38.078 9			112328384.4	75 7	87528640.180 9
				2137538	38.41448			
209915	588.469 7	2099159	94.418 9			110311559.9	42 7	85957091.970 9
				2099159	94.71548			
23097	788.500 6					121379711.1	46 6	94581624.25147
				2309779	93.85247			
245394	464.648 6	2453947	73.480 8			128955722.9	54 6	100484989.893 8
				2453947	73.66046			
218900	081.000 6					115033147.8	70 6	89636240.02147
				2189008	36.53547			
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				2276085	54.86347			
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				2030329	94.01248			
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				2344074	48.62147			
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				2139576	69.30548			





RTCM

- RTCM : Radio Technical Commission for Maritime Services
 - An internationally accepted data transmission standard for base-station data transmission to a rover defined. The standards are defined and maintained by RTCM SC-104
- RTCM SC-104 (Special Committee 104)
 - Defines data formats for Differential GPS and
 - RTK (Real-Time Kinematic Operations)
- The Current Version is RTCM-3 (10403.3)
- Refer https://www.rtcm.org/ for detail information and document
 - Documents are not free
 - A normal user does not need RTCM document.
 - GNSS receivers with base-station capabilities will setup necessary messages for RTK
 - If you are developing a system or application you may need it





Coordinate Systems





Geodetic Coordinate System







ECEF (Earth Centered, Earth Fixed)

ECEF Coordinate System is expressed by assuming the center of the earth coordinate as (0, 0, 0)







Coordinate Conversion from ECEF to Geodetic and vice versa

Geodetic Latitude, Longitude & Height to ECEF (X, Y, Z)

- $X = (N+h)\cos\varphi\cos\lambda$
- $Y = (N+h)\cos\varphi\sin\lambda$
- $Z = [N(1 e^2) + h] \sin \varphi$
- arphi = Latitude $\lambda = Longitude$ h = Height above Ellipsoid

ECEF (X, Y, Z) to Geodetic Latitude, Longitude & Height

$\varphi = \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{Z + e^2 b \sin^3 \theta}{p - e^2 a \cos^3 \theta}\right)$
$\lambda = \operatorname{atan2}(y, x)$ $h = \frac{P}{\cos \varphi} - N(\varphi)$
$P = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$
$\theta = atan\left(\frac{Za}{Pb}\right)$
$N(\varphi) = \frac{a}{\sqrt{1 - e^2 sin^2 \varphi}}$





Geodetic Datum: Geometric Earth Model



GPS uses WGS-84 Datum

But, topographic maps and many other maps use different datum. Before using GPS data on these maps, its necessary to convert GPS coordinates from WGS-84 to local coordinate system and datum. Many GPS software have this tool. Also, GPS receivers have built-in datum selection capabilities.

Check your receiver settings before using.

WGS-84 Geodetic Datum Ellipsoidal Parameters Semi-Minor Axis, b = 6356752.3142mSemi-Major Axis, a = 6378137.0mFlattening, f = (a-b)/a = 1/298.257223563First Eccentricity Square = $e^2 = 2f - f^2$ = 0.00669437999013





Ellipsoid, Geoid and Mean Sea Level (MSL)



MSL Height (H) = Ellipsoidal height (h) – Geoid height (N) Geoid Height is negative if its below Ellipsoidal height Example at point (1) : h = 1200m, N = -30mH = h - N = 1200 - (-30) = 1200 + 30 = 1230m Example at point (2) : h = 300m, N = +15mH = h - N = 300 - 15 = 285m



Height Data Output in u-blox Receiver, NMEA Sentence, \$GNGGA Sentence

 \$GNVTG,,T,,M,0.010,N,0.018,K,D*30
 MSL (Altitude)
 Geoid Separation Geoid Height

 \$GNGGA,012039.00,3554.18235,N,13956.35867,E,2,12,0.48,54.4,M,39.6,M,0.0,0000*5D

 \$GNGSA,A,3,03,04,06,09,17,19,22,28,194,195,02,,0.92,0.48,0.78,1*06

 \$GNGSA,A,3,11,12,04,24,19,31,33,,,,,0.92,0.48,0.78,3*00

 \$GNGSA,A,3,30,01,03,14,08,28,33,04,02,07,10,13,0.92,0.48,0.78,4*08

 \$GPGSV,5,1,17,01,18,076,,02,04,279,36,03,43,045,43,04,34,109,41,1*6C

 \$GPGSV,5,2,17,06,38,295,43,09,26,152,40,11,02,107,29,17,74,330,47,1*67

 \$GPGSV,5,3,17,19,53,320,45,22,22,048,39,28,36,213,43,41,18,249,39,1*6D

 \$GPGSV,5,4,17,50,46,201,40,193,52,172,43,194,16,193,40,195,85,163,46,1*5E

 \$GPGSV,5,5,17,199,46,201,37,1*66

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\$GNGLL,3554.18235,N,13956.35867,E,012039.00,A,D*76

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NMEA - GxGGA (Global Positioning System Fix Data)							
	Parameter	Value	Unit	Description			
	UTC	012040.00	hhmmss.sss	Universal time coordinated			
	Lat	3554.18235	ddmm.mmmm	Latitude			
	Northing Indicator	N		N=North, S=South			
	Lon	13956.35868	dddmm.mmmm	Longitude			
	Easting Indicator	E		E=East, W=West			
	Status	2		0=Invalid, 1=2D/3D, 2=DGNSS, 4=Fixed RTK, 5=Float RTK, 6=Dead Reckoning			
	SVs Used	12		Number of SVs used for Navigation			
	HDOP	0.48		Horizontal Dilution of Precision			
	Alt (MSL)	54.4	m	Altitude (above means sea level)			
	Unit	М		M=Meters			
	Geoid Sep.	39.6	m	Geoid Separation = Alt(HAE) - Alt(MSL)			
	Unit	М		M=Meters			
	Age of DGNSS Corr	0.0	s	Age of Differential Corrections			
	DGNSS Ref Station	0000		ID of DGNSS Reference Station			

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U-blox also outputs Ellipsoidal height in proprietary message \$PUBX,00 (marked as altRef) \$PUBX,00,time,lat,NS,long,EW,altRef,navStat,hAcc,vAcc,SOG,COG,vVel,diffAge,HDOP,VDO P,TDOP,numSvs,reserved,DR,*cs<CR><LF> altRef → Altitude above user datum ellipsoid Center for Spatial Information Science

The University of Theight Data Output in u-blox Receiver, NMEA Sentence, \$GNGGA Sentence



\$GNGLL,3554.18235,N,13956.35867,E,012039.00,A,D*76

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		11.5						
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UTC .	012040.00	hhmmss.sss	Universal time coordinated					
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Lon	13956.35868	dddmm.mmmm	Longitude					
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Points to Be Careful in GPS Survey

- Datum
 - Which Datum is used for GPS Survey?
 - By default, GPS uses WGS-84
 - But, your Map may be using different datum like Everest
 - Make Sure that Your Map and Your Coordinates from the GPS are in the same Datum, if not, datum conversion is necessary
 - You can get necessary transformation parameters from your country's survey department
- Height
 - Which Height is used?
 - By default GPS uses Ellipsoidal Height
 - But, your Map may be using Mean Sea Level (MSL or Topographic) Height
 - You need to convert from Ellipsoidal Height into MSL Height
 - Use Ellipsoidal and Geoid height Difference Data for your survey region
 - You can get it from your country's survey office





GNSS Errors





Background Information: Accuracy vs. Precision

- Accuracy
 - Capable of providing a correct measurement
 - Measurement is compared with true value
 - Affected by systematic error
- Precision
 - Capable of providing repeatable and reliable measurement
 - Statistical analysis of measurement provides the precision
 - Measure of random error
 - Systematic error has no effect







GNSS Measurement Errors

Measure	Abbreviation	Definition
Root Mean Square	RMS	The square root of the average of the squared errors
Twice Distance RMS	2D RMS	Twice the RMS of the horizontal errors
Circular Error Probable	CEP	A circle's radius, centered at the true antenna position, containing 50% of the points in the horizontal scatter plot
Horizontal 95% Accuracy	R95	A circle's radius, centered at the true antenna position, containing 95% of the points in the horizontal scatter plot
Spherical Error Probable	SEP	A sphere's radius centered at the true antenna position, containing 50% of the points in the three dimensional scatter plot

Source: GPS Accuracy: Lies, Damn Lies, and Statistics, GPS World, JAN 1998 https://www.gpsworld.com/gps-accuracy-lies-damn-lies-and-statistics/



Commonly Used GNSS Performance Measurements

• TTFF

- True Time to First Fix
- Parameter: Cold Start, Warm Start, Hot Start
- Standard Accuracy
 - Accuracy attainable without any correction techniques
- DGPS Accuracy
 - Accuracy attainable by differential correction data
 - Code-phase correction
- RTK Accuracy
 - Accuracy attainable by differential correction data
 - Use both Code-Phase and Carrier Phase correction





TTFF and Typical Example Values

• TTFF

- Cold Start : < 36 seconds
 - Time required to output first position data since the receiver power is on
 - No reference data like time or almanac are available
- Warm Start : < 6 seconds
 - Time required to output first position data since the receiver power is on with the latest satellite almanac data in the receiver's memory
 - Time and almanac related reference data are already known
- Hot Start : < 1 second
 - Receiver has already output position data
 - Time to reacquire an already tracked satellite due to temporary blockage by buildings or trees





Performance Measurement of RTK Accuracy

- A fix error and a variable error with respect to base-length is given
 - Such as : x cm + y ppm
 - Example: 2cm + 1ppm
 - There is a fix error of 2cm plus 1ppm error due to base-length between the Base and Rover
 - 1ppm → 1 parts per million
 - > 1cm of error in 1 million centimeter distance between the Base and the Rover
 - > 1cm of error in 1000000 centimeter distance between the Base and the Rover
 - Icm of error in 10000 meter distance between the Base and the Rover
 - > 1cm of error in 10 kilometer distance between the Base and the Rover
 - > 1cm of error for every 10Km of distance between the Base and the Rover
 - \rightarrow 4cm of error for 40Km of distance between the Base and the Rover
 - Thus the total error is : 2cm + 4cm due to 40Km of base length
 - The longer the base-length, the larger the error
 - Do not assume that this error is linear
 - And it may not be valid for longer base-lines
 - Normally the recommended base-length for RTK for a Geodetic Receiver is 40Km





Useful Software





GNSS Software

- U-Center
 - Software to log and visualize GNSS data logged by u-blox receiver
 - Format: UBX
- RTKLIB
 - Powerful and popular software for GNSS data processing for highaccuracy
 - Real-time or Post-Processing
 - Raw data pre-processing, data format conversion etc.
 - SPP, DGPS, RTK, PPK, PPP data processing
- MADOCA PPP Related Software
 - MAD-WIN, MAD-PI, MADROID
- Android Device Software
 - RTKDROID, MADROID, SW-MAPS