GPS and Galileo Data Processing: from fundamentals to precise navigation

Lecture Notes(*)

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Lesson 2

Introduction to GPS

http://newg1.upc.es/lectures/legad/

Lesson 3

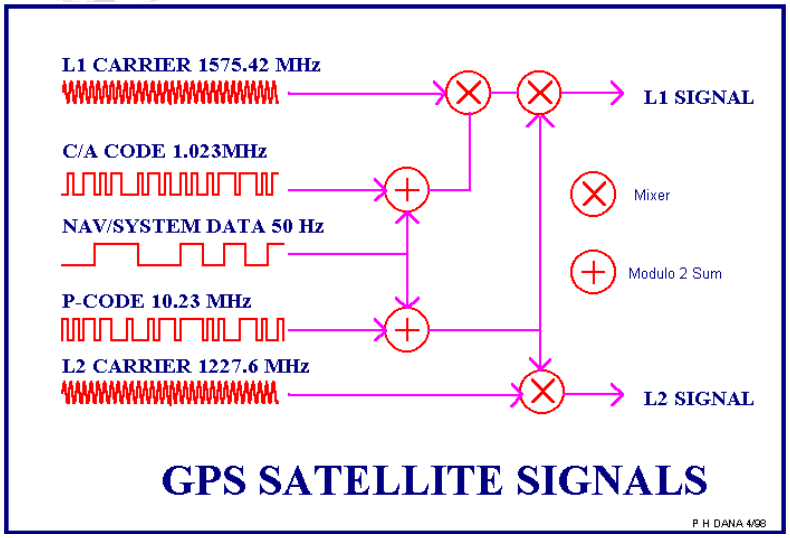
GPS measurements and their combinations: The RINEX files

GPS SIGNAL STRUCTURE

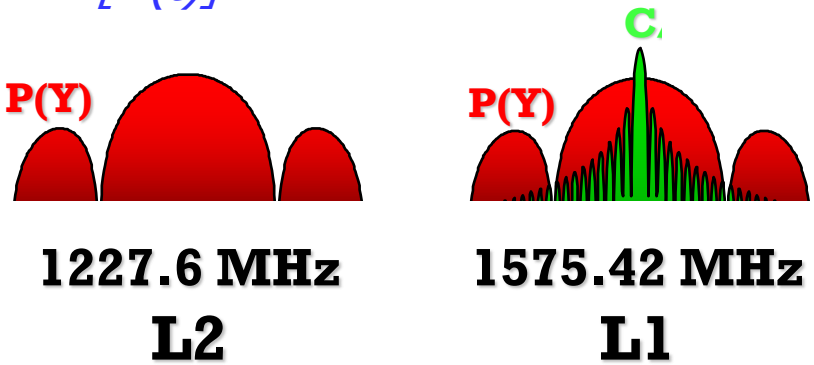
Two carriers in L-band:

- L1=154 fo=1575.42 Mhz
- L2=120 fo=1227.60 Mhz

where fo=10.23 Mhz



- C/A-code for civilian users *[C(t)]*
- P-code only for military and authorized users *[P(t)]*
- Navigation message with satellite ephemeris and clock corrections *[D(t)]*



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$$L_2(t) = a_2 P(t) D(t) \sin(f_2 t)$$

GPS Pseudorange Measurements

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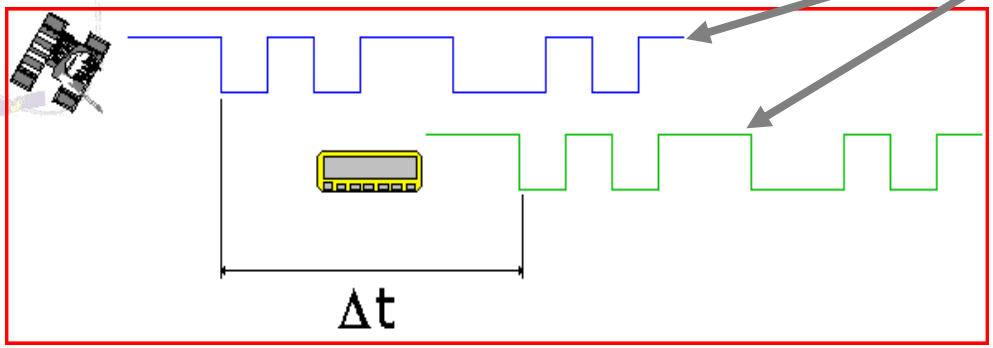
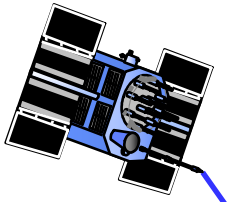
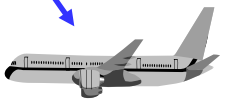
binary code P





C1,P1, P2

$$P1 = c\,\Delta t = c\,[t_{rec}(T_R) - t^{sat}(T^S)]$$



From hereafter we will call:

- C1 pseudorange computed from C binary code (on frequency 1)
- P1 pseudorange computed from P binary code (on frequency 1)
- P2 pseudorange computed from P binary code (on frequency 2)

GPS Phase Measurement

$$L_1(t) = a_1 P(t) D(t) \sin(f_1 t) + a_1 C(t) D(t) \cos(f_1 t)$$

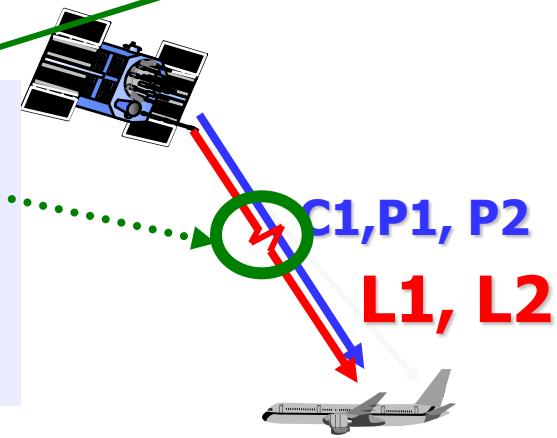
$$L_2(t) = a_2 P(t) D(t) \sin(f_2 t)$$

$$\Delta f = f_r - f_e = -\frac{\dot{\rho}}{c} f_e$$

$$\rho = \int \dot{\rho} = -c \int \frac{\Delta f}{f_e} + c\,t\,t$$

Carrier phase L

"pseudoranges" **L1, L2** (containing unknown bias) can be also measured from the carrier phases $L_1(t)$, $L_2(t)$ (*integrated Doppler*)



From hereafter we will call:

- L1 phase measur. computed from the carrier phase on frequency 1
- L2 phase measur. computed from the carrier phase on frequency 2

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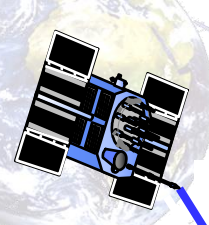
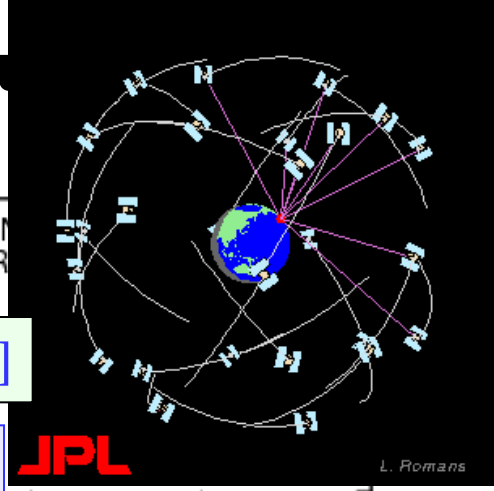
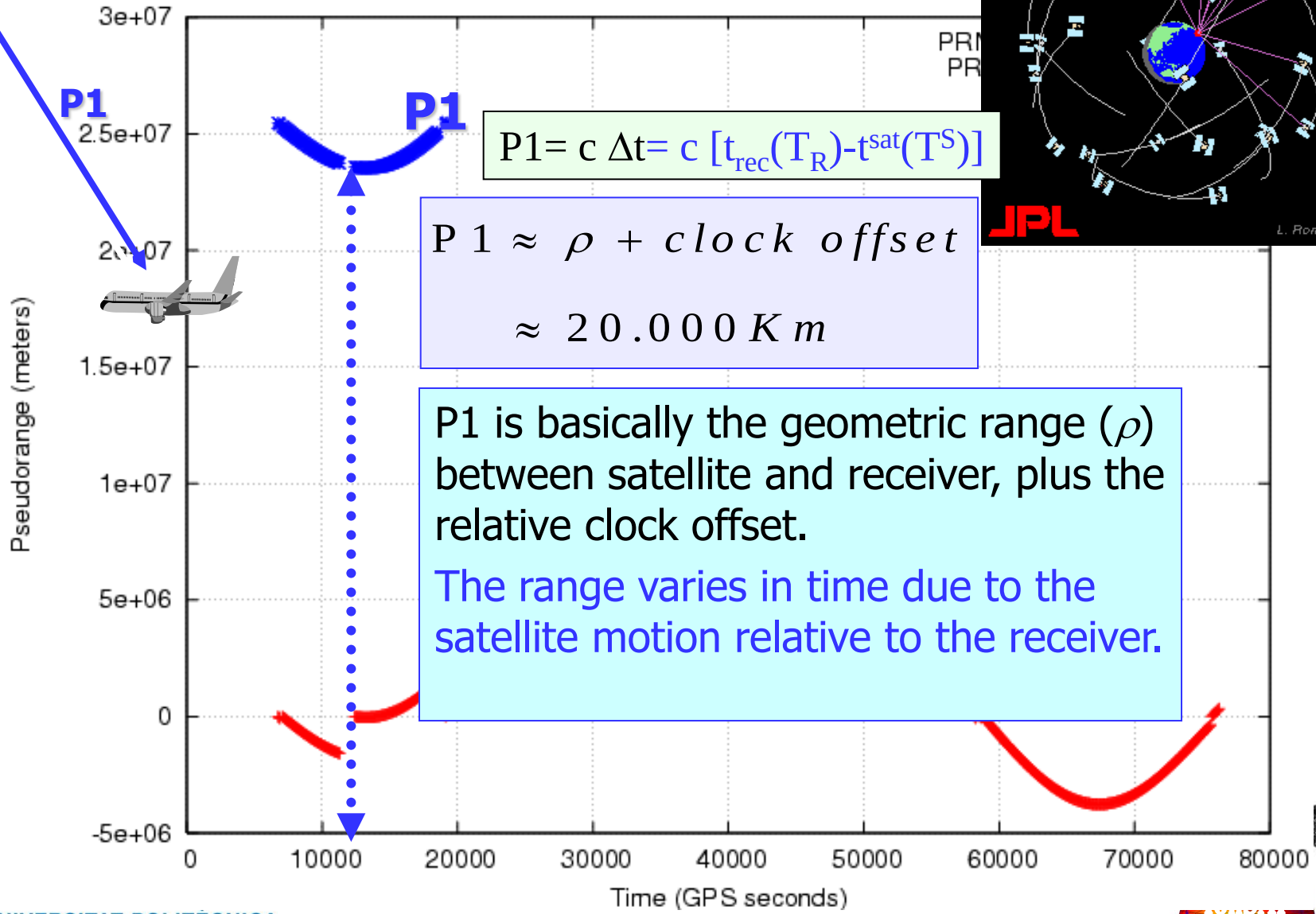
- P2 pseudorange computed from P binary code (on frequency 2)

Phase and Code pseudorange measu







$$P1 = c\,\Delta t = c\,[t_{rec}(T_R) - t^{sat}(T^S)]$$

$$P1 \approx \rho + clock\ offset$$

$$\approx 20.000\,Km$$

P1 is basically the geometric range (ρ) between satellite and receiver, plus the relative clock offset.

The range varies in time due to the satellite motion relative to the receiver.

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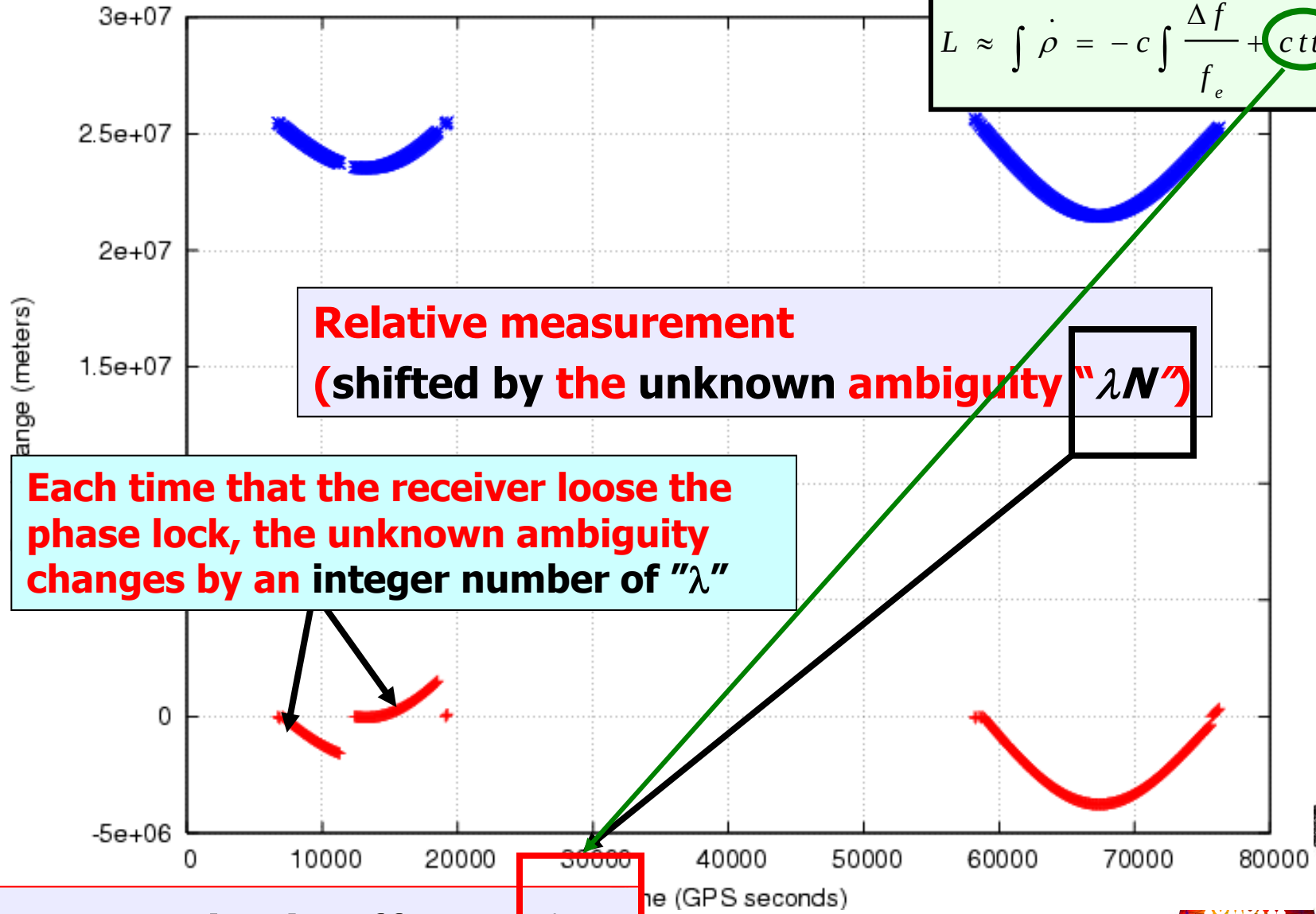
P1 is an **absolute** measurement **(unambiguous)**

Phase and Code pseudorange mea

$$\Delta f = f_r - f_e = -\frac{\dot{\rho}}{c} f_e$$

$$L \approx \int \dot{\rho} = -c \int \frac{\Delta f}{f_e} + ctt$$



Relative measurement
(shifted by the unknown ambiguity "λN")

Each time that the receiver loose the phase lock, the unknown ambiguity changes by an integer number of "λ"

$$L1 \approx \rho + clock\ offset + \lambda N$$

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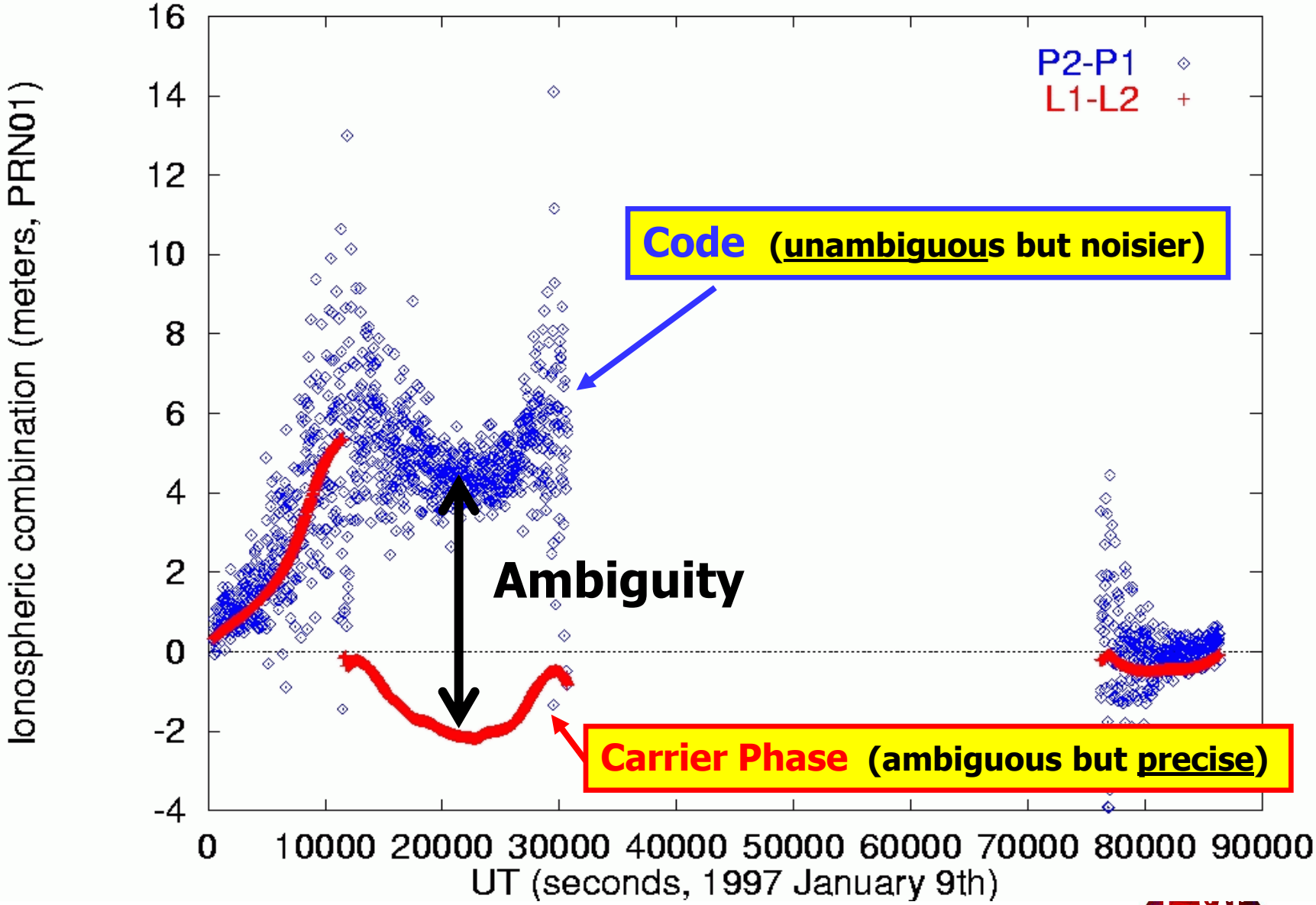
Code and phase measurements



GPS measurements: Code and Phase pseudoranges

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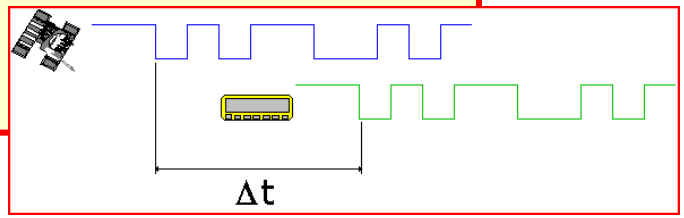
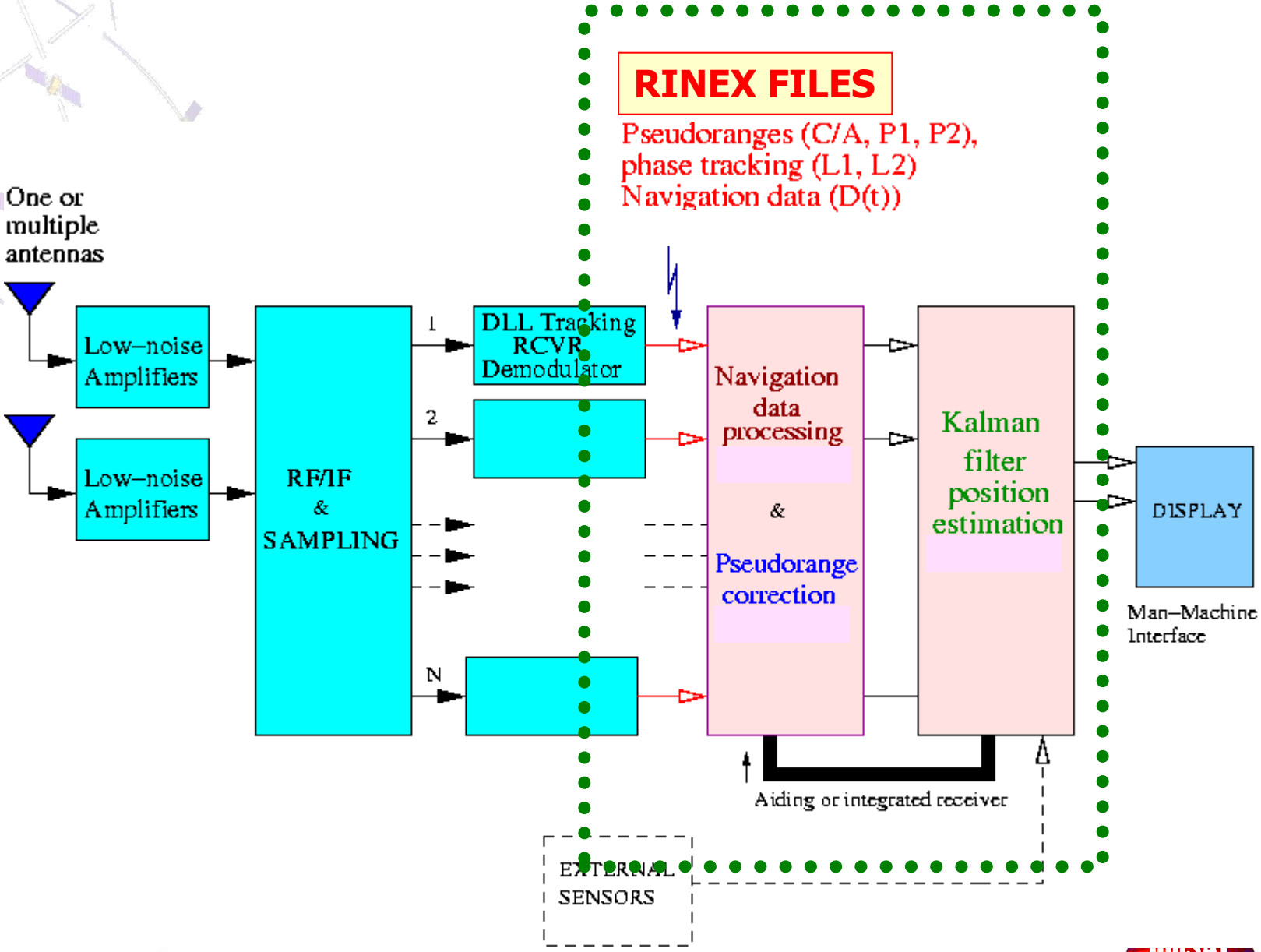


Antispoofing (A/S):
The code P is encrypted to Y.
➔ Only the code C at frequency L1 is available.

	Wavelength (chip-length)	σ noise (1% of λ) [*]	Main characteristics
Code measurements			
C1	300 m	3 m	Unambiguous but noisier
P1 (Y1): encrypted	30 m	30 cm	
P2 (Y2): encrypted	30 m	30 cm	
Phase measurements			
L1	19.05 cm	2 mm	Precise but ambiguous
L2	24.45 cm	2 mm	

[*] the codes can be smoothed with the phases in order to reduce noise (i.e, C1 smoothed with L1 ➔ 50 cm noise)


RINEX FILES
Pseudoranges (C/A, P1, P2),
phase tracking (L1, L2)
Navigation data (D(t))
One or multiple antennas
Low–noise Amplifiers
Low–noise Amplifiers
RF/IF & SAMPLING
1
2
N
DLL Tracking RCVR Demodulator
Navigation data processing
&
Pseudorange correction
Kalman filter position estimation
DISPLAY
Man–Machine Interface
Aiding or integrated receiver
EXTERNAL SENSORS

RINEX measurement file

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RGRINEXO V2.4.1 UX  AUSLIG              10-JAN-97 10:19     PGM / RUN BY / DATE
Australian Regional GPS Network (ARGN)  - COCOS ISLAND      COMMENT
BIT 2 OF LLI (+4) FLAGS DATA COLLECTED UNDER "AS" CONDITION COMMENT
     -0.000000000103          HARDWARE CALIBRATION (S)      COMMENT
     -0.000000054663          CLOCK OFFSET (S)              COMMENT
COCO                                                        MARKER NAME
AU18                                                        MARKER NUMBER
mrh                 uslig                                   OBSERVER / AGENCY
126                 AGUE SNR-8100       93.05.25 / 2.8.33.2 REC # / TYPE / VERS
327                 DORNE MARGOLIN T                        ANT # / TYPE
  -741950.3241  6190961.9624 -1337769.9813                  APPROX POSITION XYZ
        0.0040        0.0000        0.0000                  ANTENNA: DELTA H/E/N
     1      1                                               WAVELENGTH FACT L1/2
     5     C1    L1    L2    P2    P1                       # / TYPES OF OBSERV
SNR is mapped to signal strength [0,1,4-9]                  COMMENT
 SNR:   >500  >100   >50   >10    >5    >0   bad   n/a     COMMENT
 sig:      9     8     7     6     5     4     1     0      COMMENT
    30                                                      INTERVAL
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  1997      1     9    23    59   30.0000000                TIME OF LAST OBS
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HEADER

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MEASUREMENTS

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Measurement time (receive time tags)

Number of tracked satellites

Epoch flag 0: OK

One satellite per row

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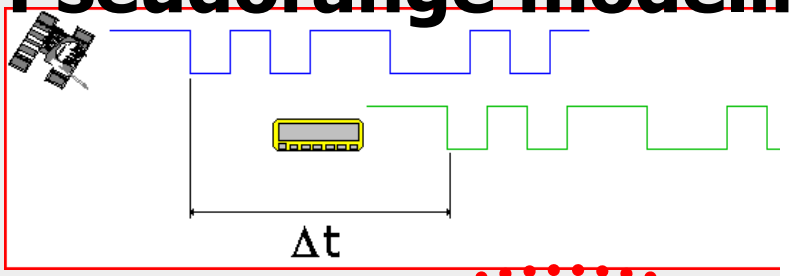
Synthetic P2 (A/S=on)

S/N indicator | **Loss of lock indicator**

Pseudorange modeling



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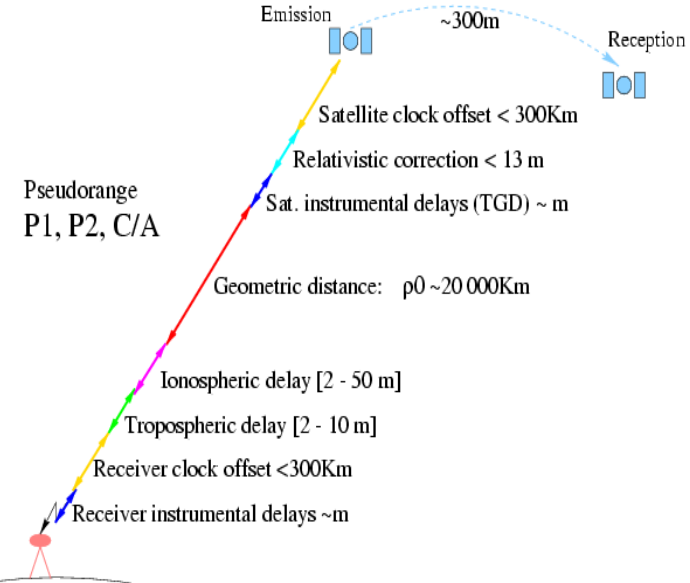


$$P_{rec}^{sat} = \rho_{rec}^{sat} + c \cdot (dt_{rec} - dt^{sat}) + \sum \delta$$

Geometric range

Clock offsets

$$\sum \delta = rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + Ion_{rec}^{sat} + K_{rec} + K^{sat} + \varepsilon$$

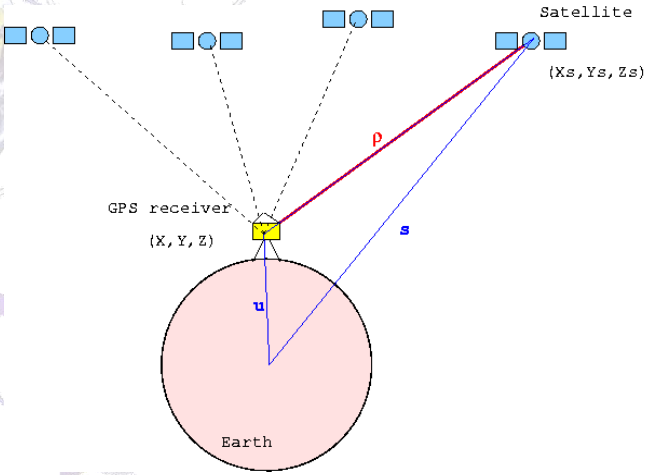
Relativistic effects

Tropospheric delay

Ionospheric delay

Instrumental delays

noise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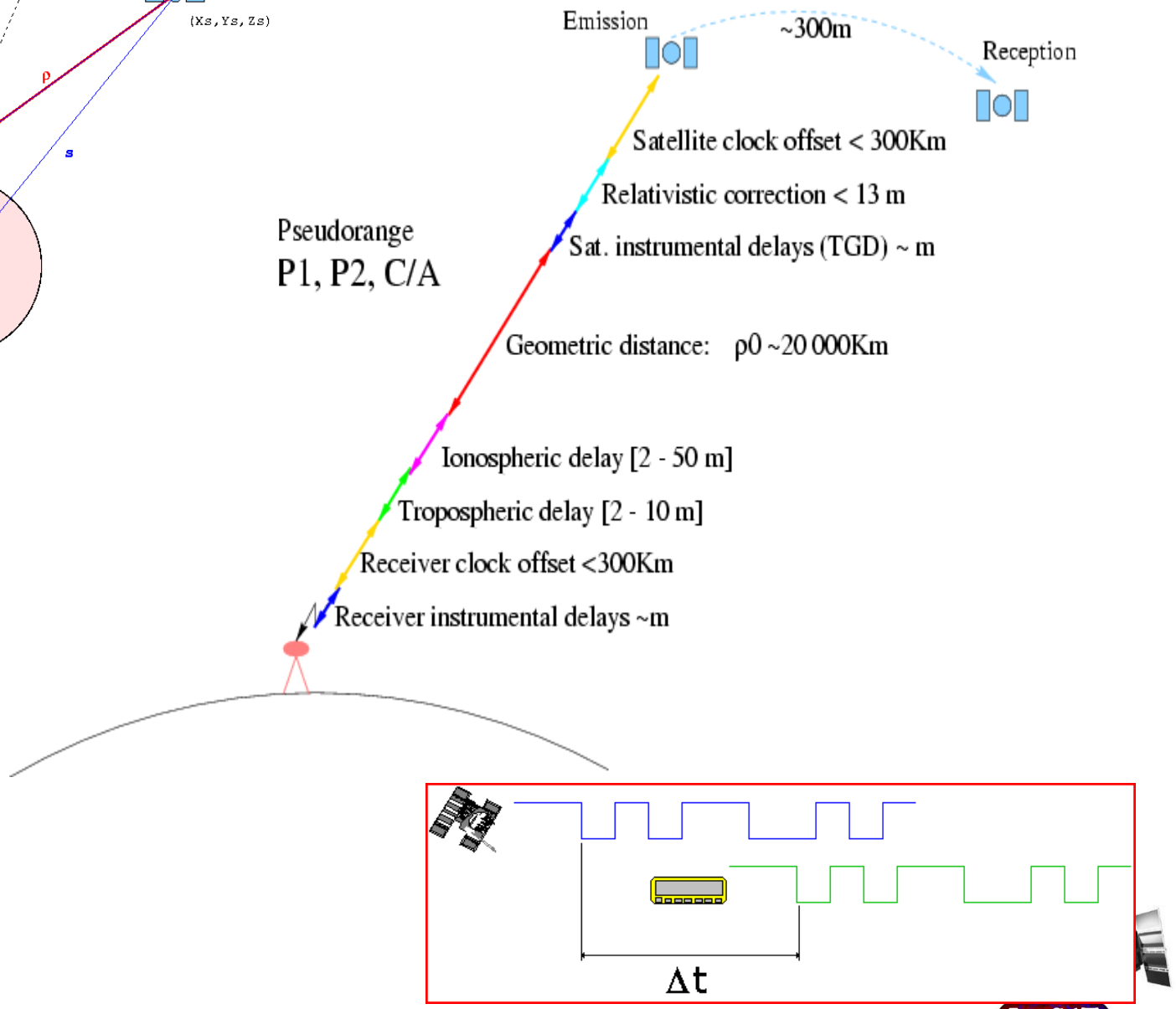
(Xs,Ys,Zs)
ρ
GPS receiver
(X,Y,Z)
s
u
Earth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~300m
Reception
Satellite clock offset < 300Km
Relativistic correction < 13 m
Sat. instrumental delays (TGD) ~ m
Pseudorange
P1, P2, C/A
Geometric distance: ρ0 ~20 000Km
Ionospheric delay [2 - 50 m]
Tropospheric delay [2 - 10 m]
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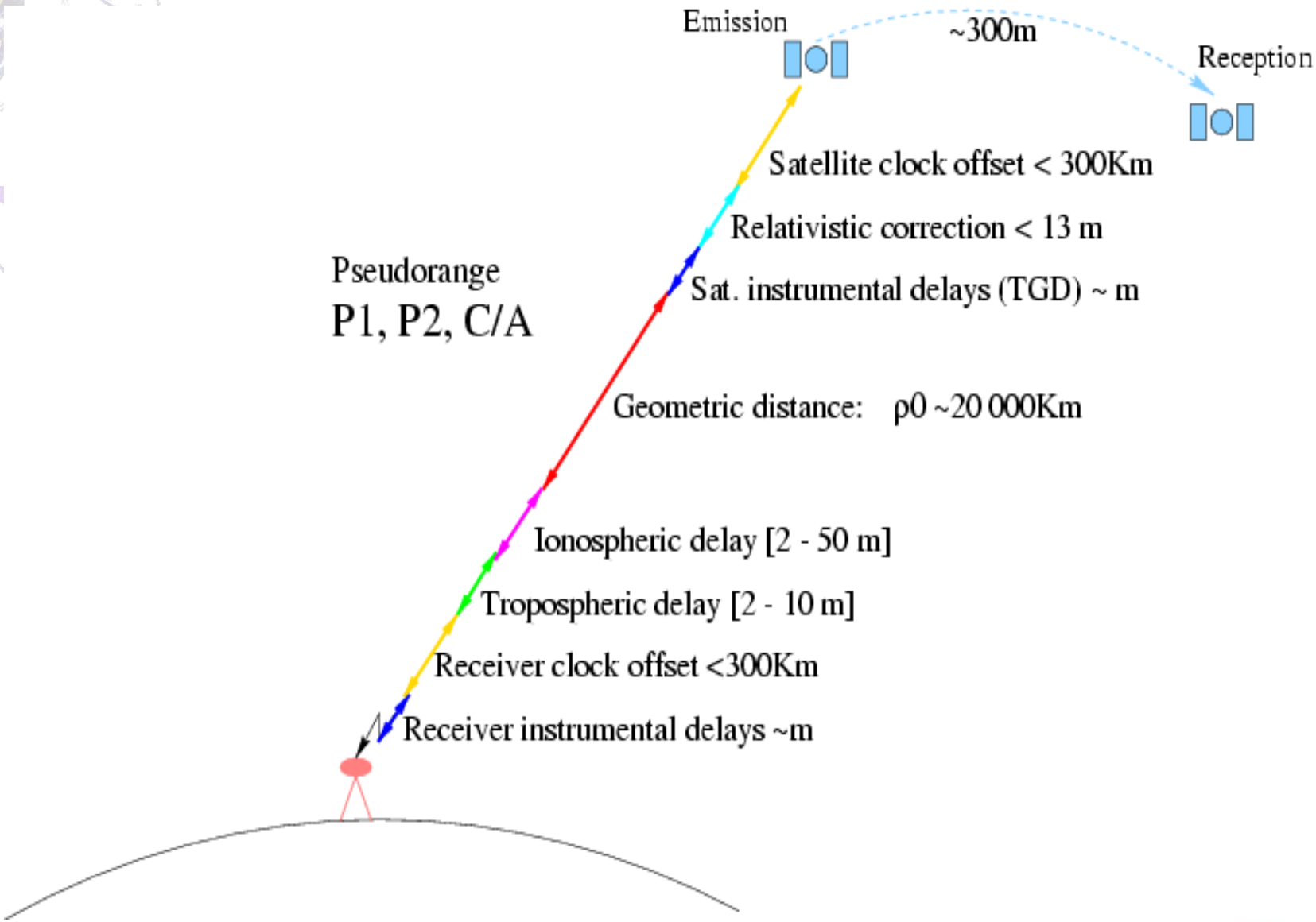
Receiver instrumental delays ~m
Δt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Exercise 1:

a) Using the file 95oct18casa___r0.rnx, generate the "txt" file 95oct18casa.a (with data ordered in columns).

b) Plot code and phase measurements for satellite PRN28 and discuss the results.

Resolution:

a) cat 95oct18casa___r0.rnx| rnx2txt > 95oct18casa.a

b) See next plots:

An example of program to read the RINEX: rnx2txt

RINEX file → rnx2txt → txt file

Ficheros RINEX: observables

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The RINEX file is convert to a "columnar format" to easily plot its contents and to analyze the measurements (the public domain free tool **"gnuplot"** is used in the book to make the plots).

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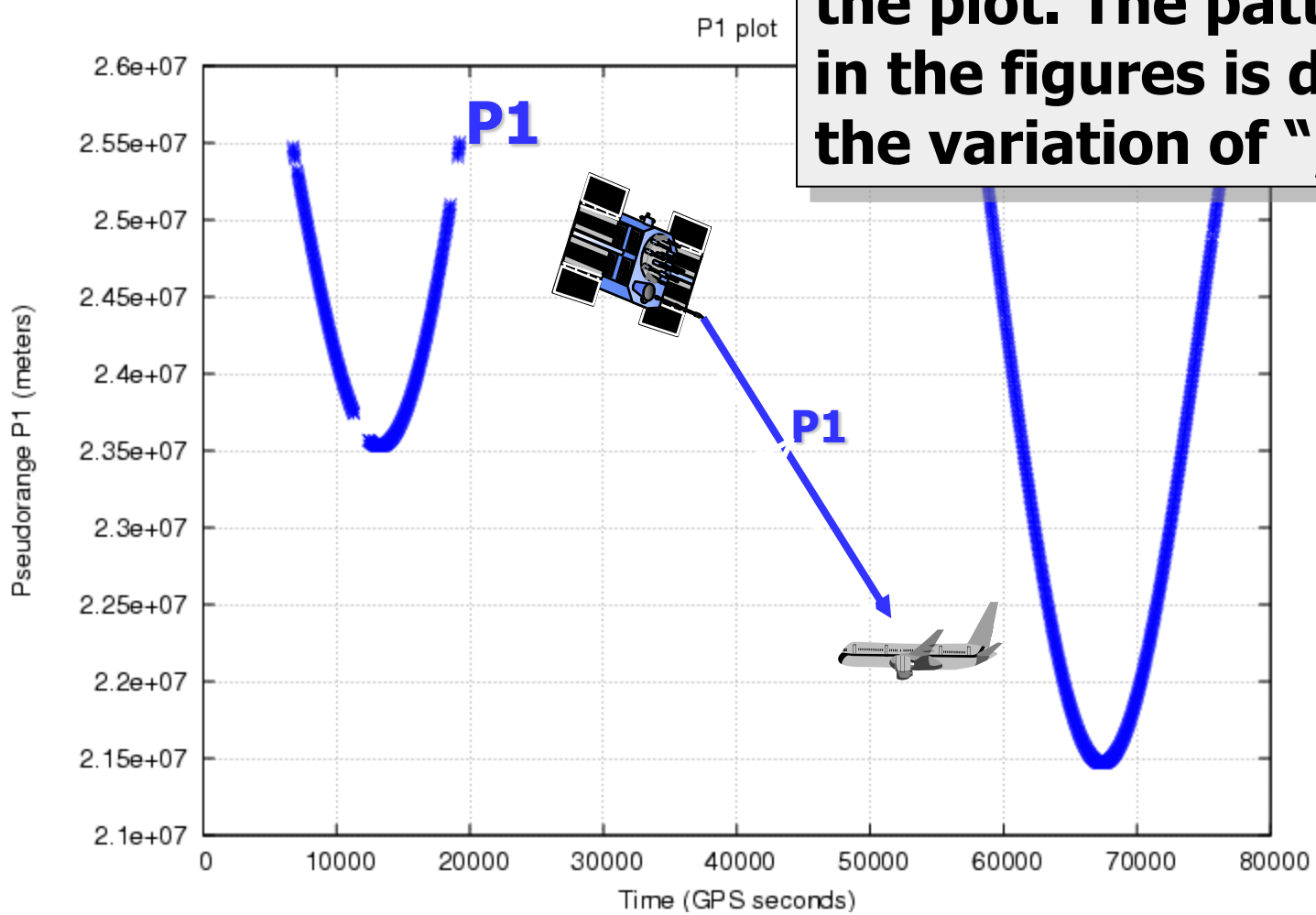

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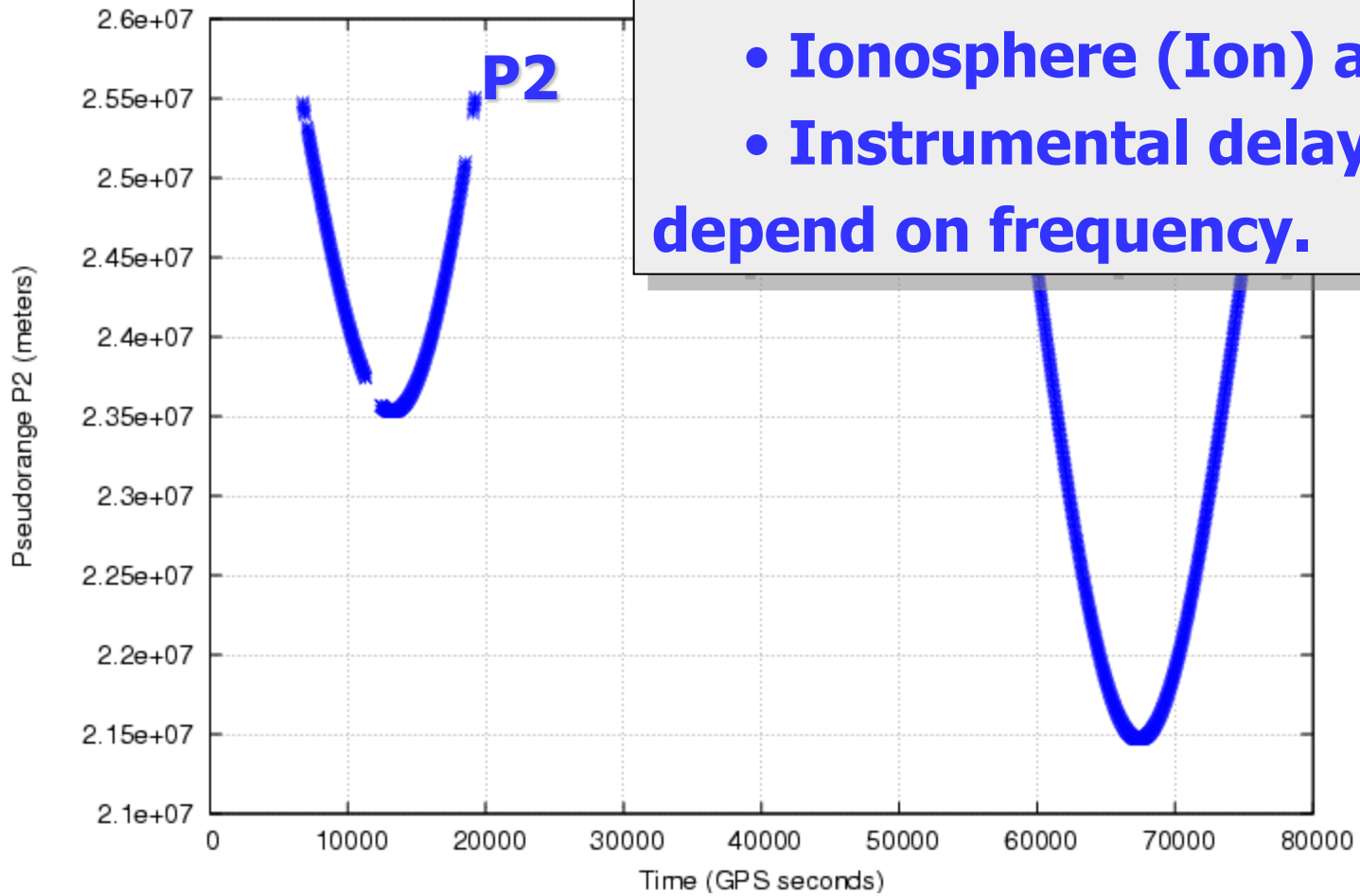
Code measurements

Similar plot for code measurements at f2.

Notice that

- **Ionosphere (Ion) and**
- **Instrumental delays (K)**

depend on frequency.



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Ionosphere delays code and advances phase measurements

Code measurements: C1,P1,P2

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Frequency dependent

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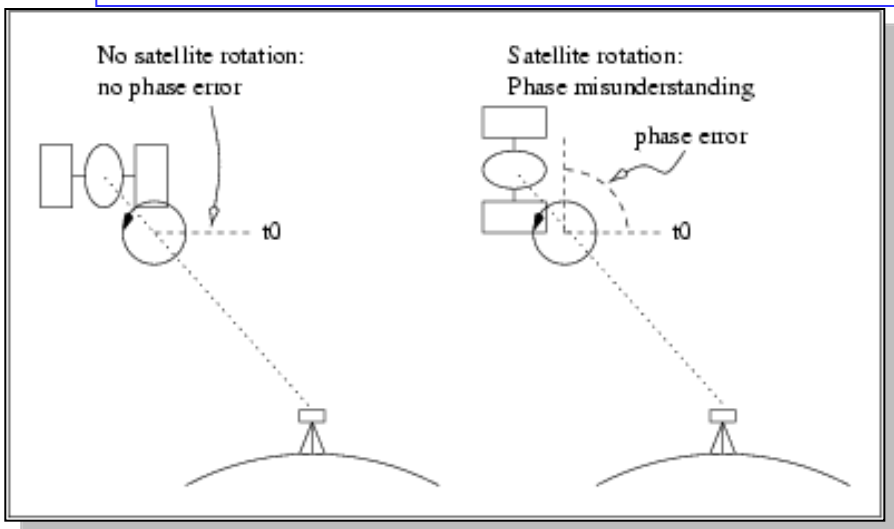

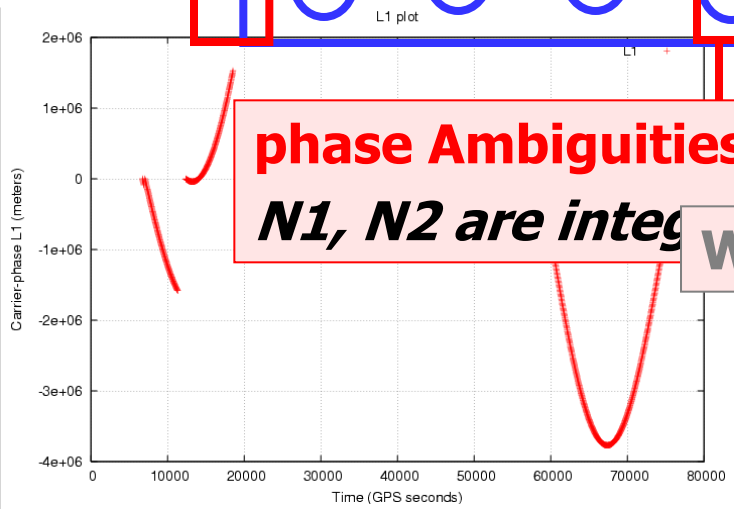

phase Ambiguities

N1, N2 are integ

Wind Up

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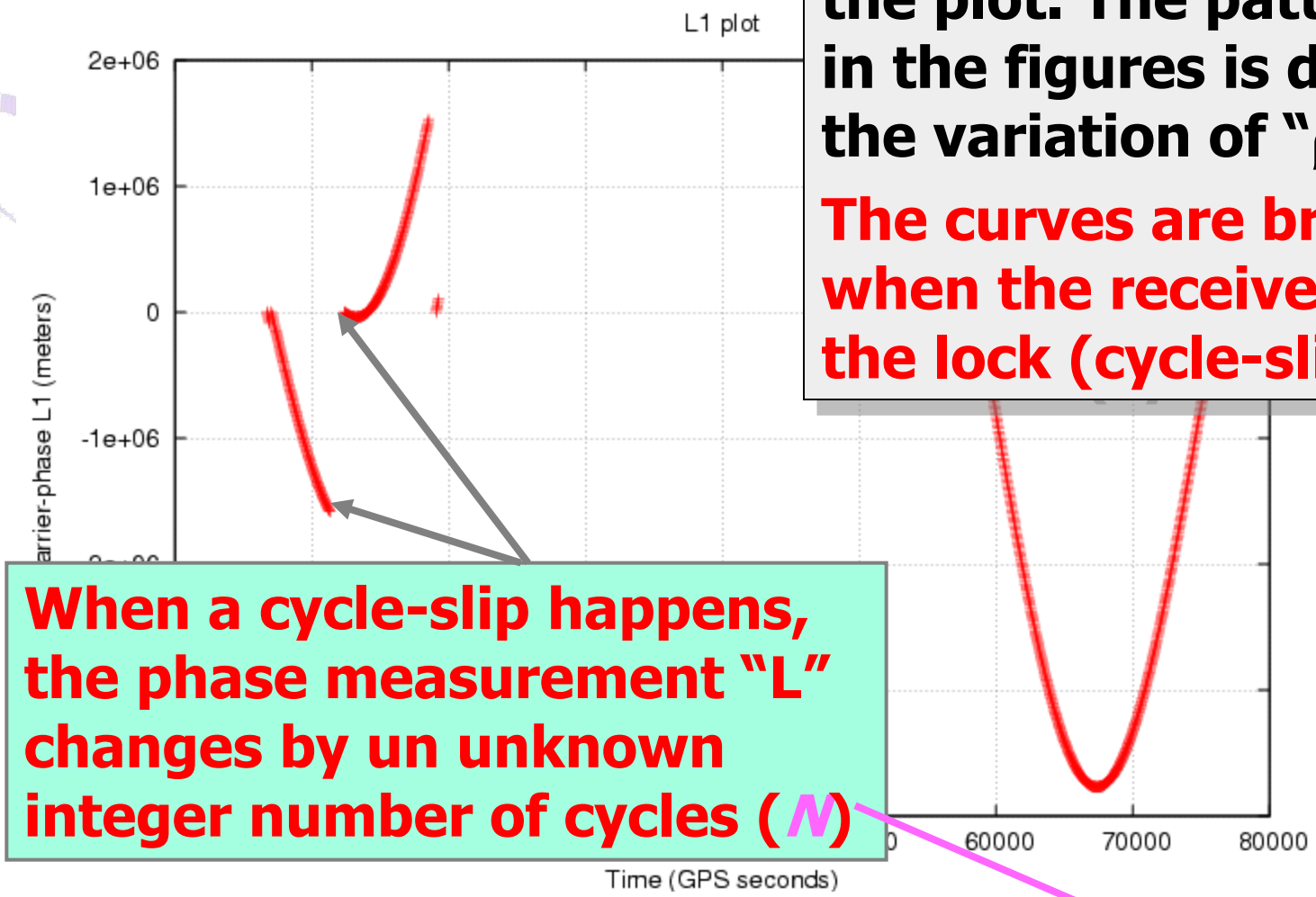

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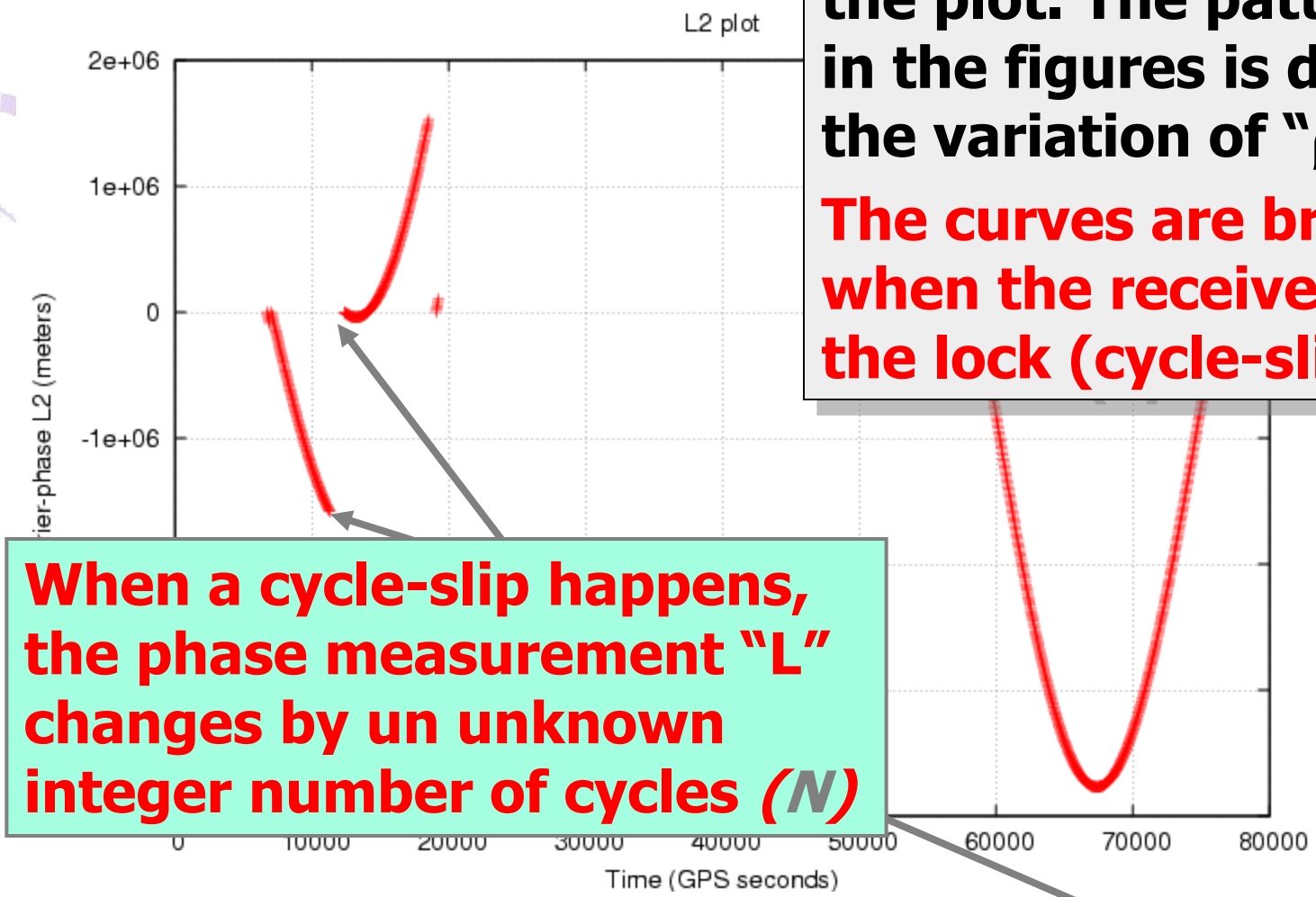

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Combination of measurements:

- **Ionospheric combination**
- **Ionosphere-Free combination**
- **Wide-lane and Narrow-lane combinations**

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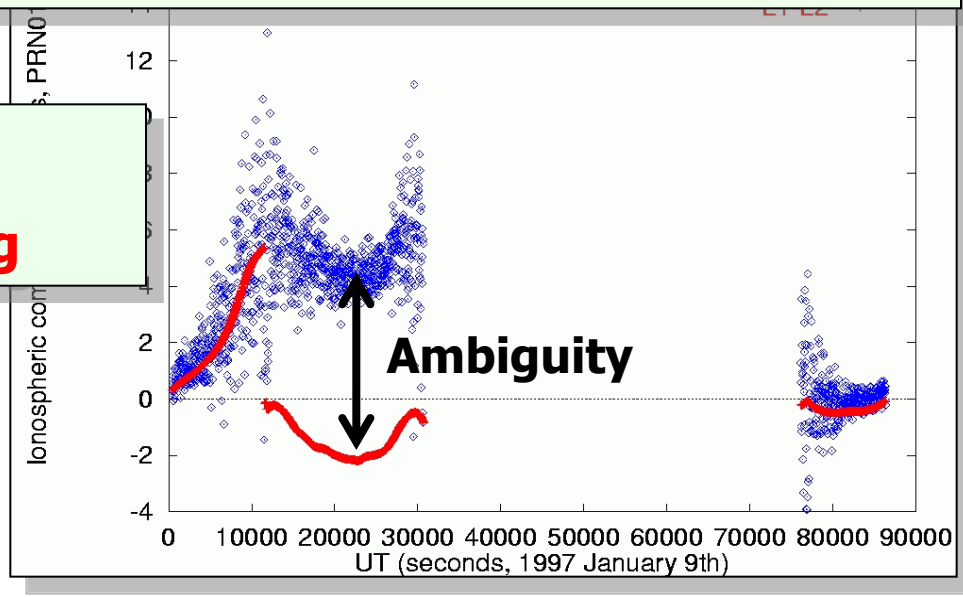

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phase Ambiguities

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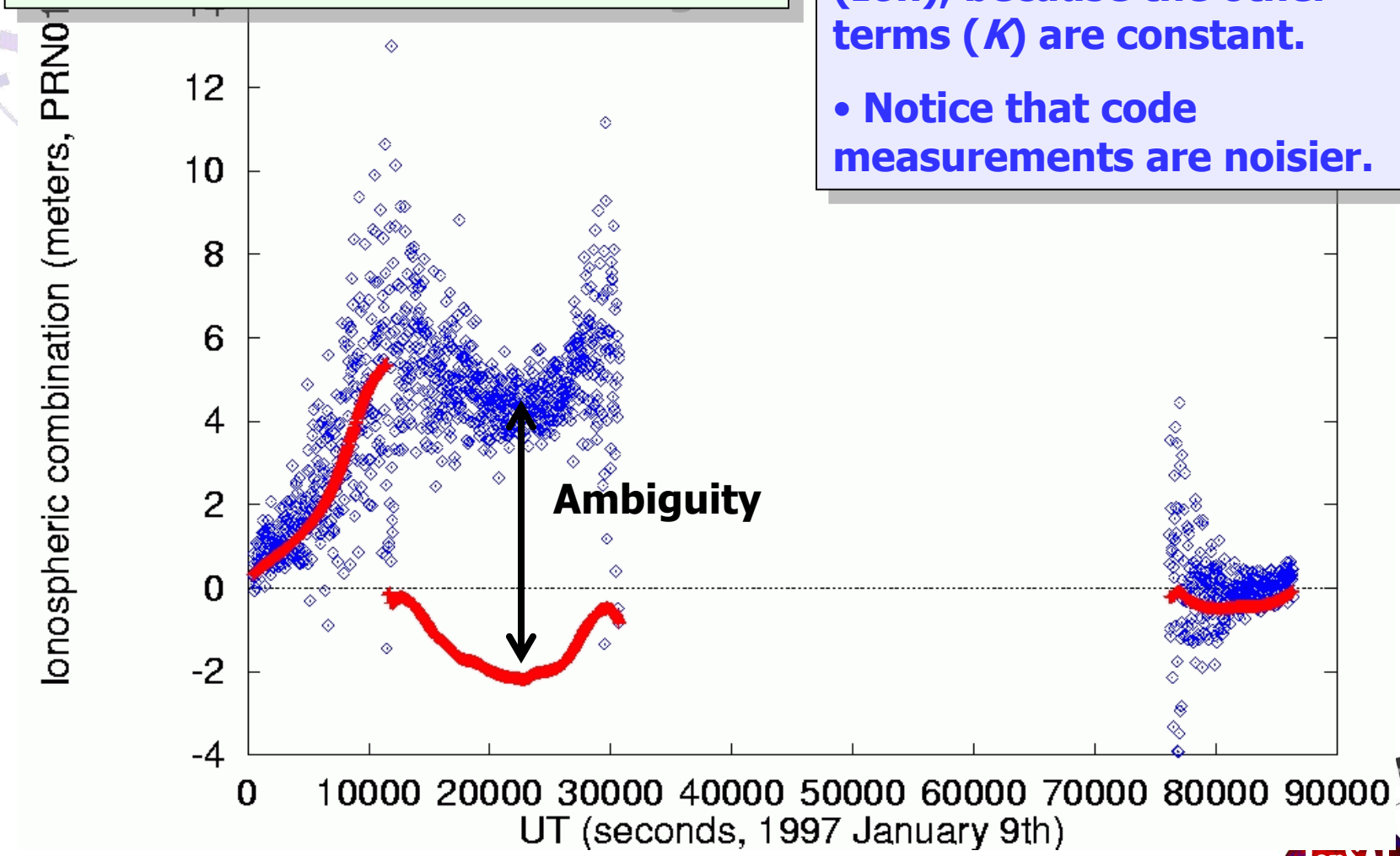
- **The pattern corresponds to the ionospheric refraction (*Ion*), because the other terms (*K*) are constant.**
- **Notice that code measurements are noisier.**



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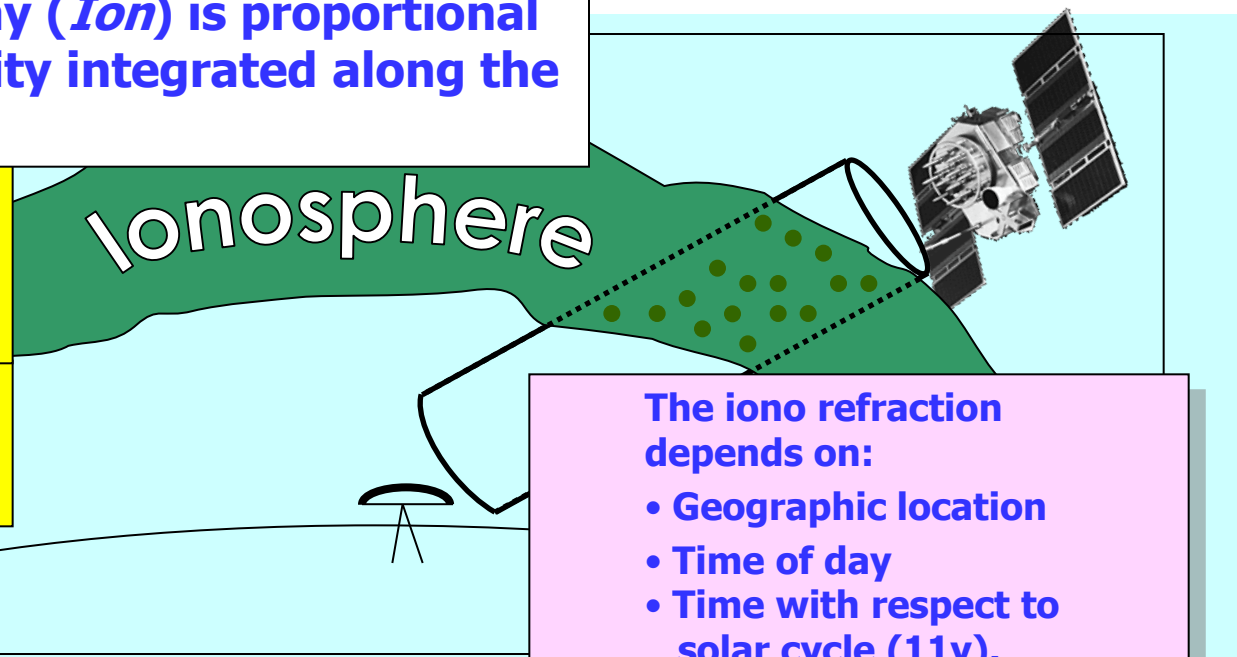

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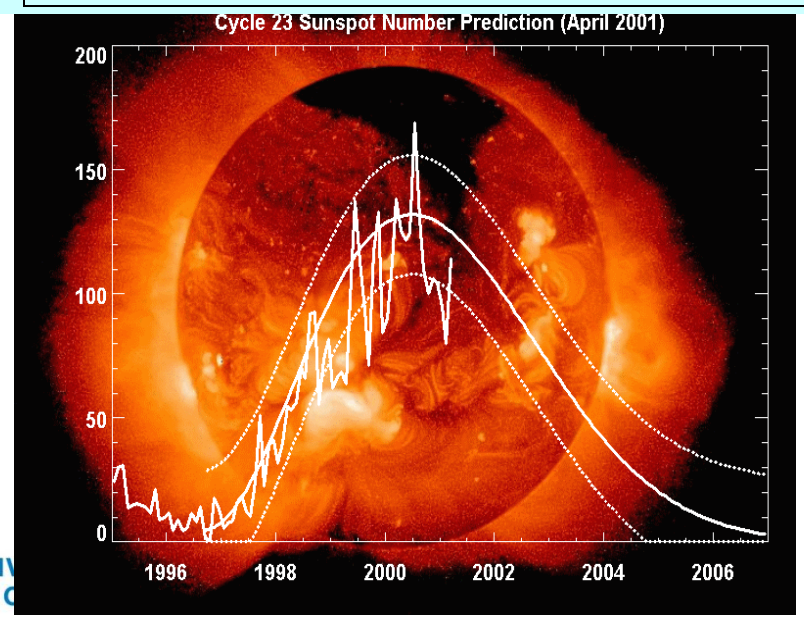

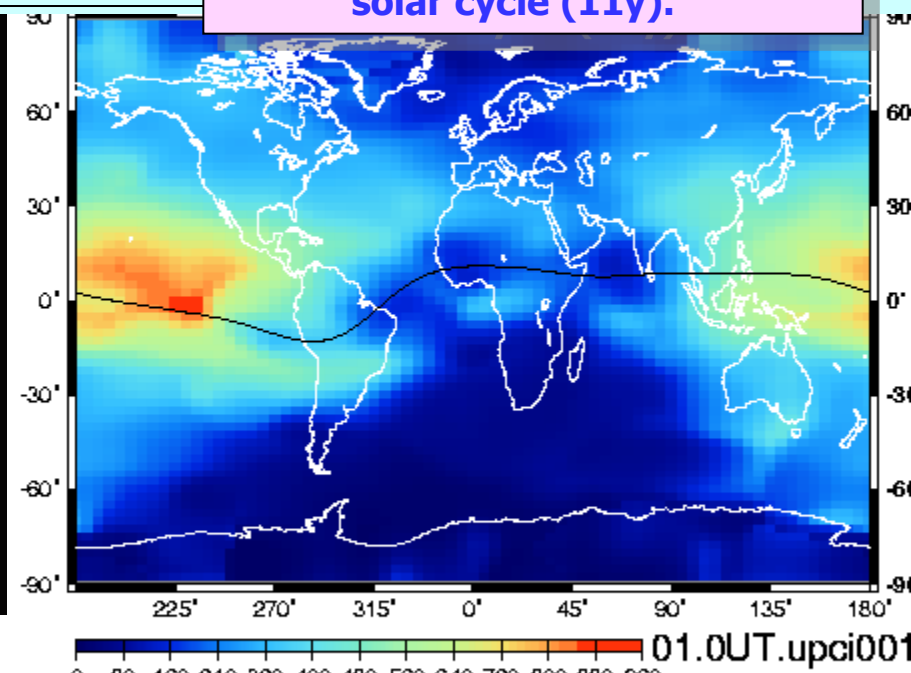

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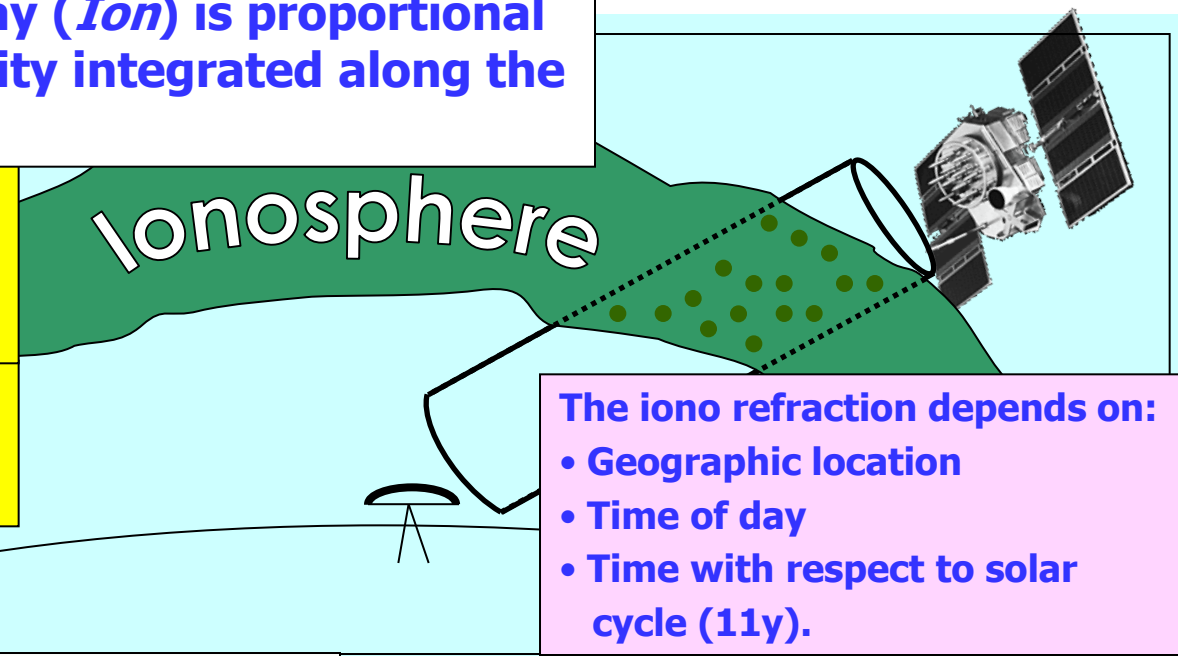

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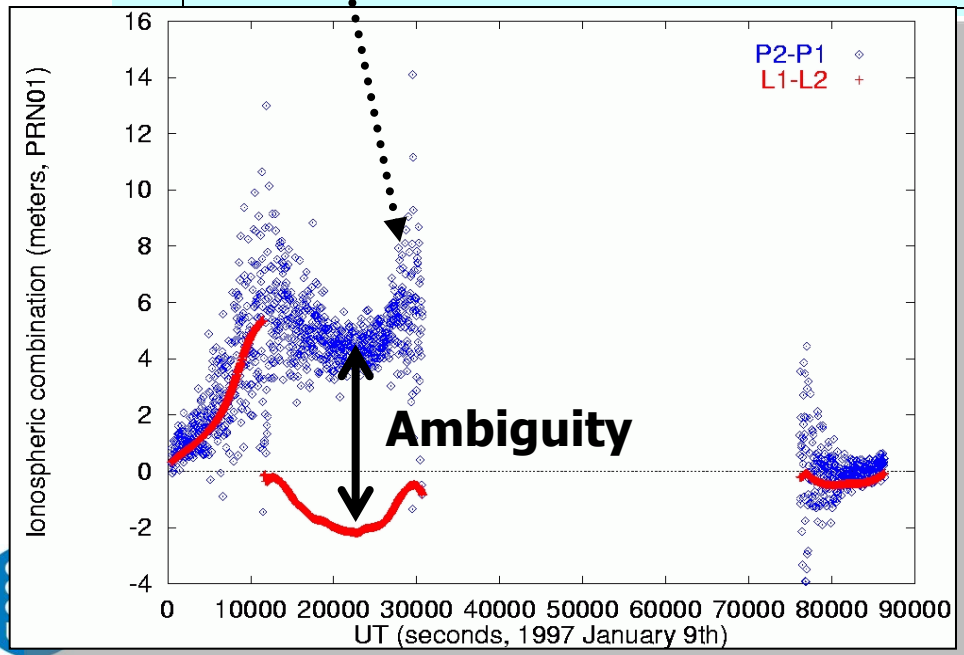

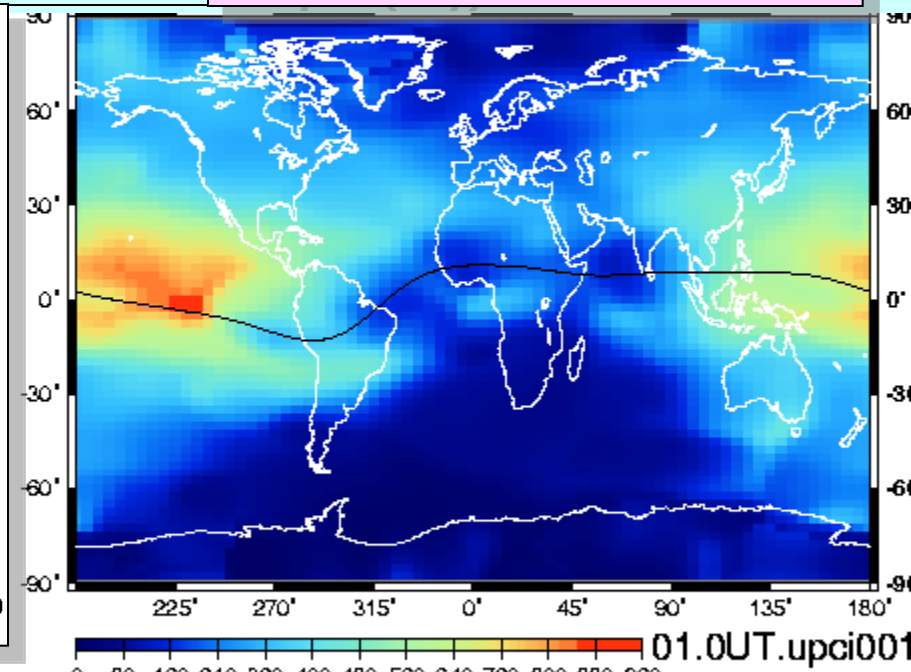

2. IONOSPHERE-FREE COMBINATION *(Pc,Lc)*

The ionospheric refraction depends on the inverse of the squared frequency and can be removed up to 99.9% combining *f1* and *f2* signals:

$$Ion = \frac{40.3}{f^2} STEC$$

$$Pc = \frac{f_1^2 P_1 - f_2^2 P_2}{f_1^2 - f_2^2}$$

$$Lc = \frac{f_1^2 L_1 - f_2^2 L_2}{f_1^2 - f_2^2}$$

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- **The ionospheric refraction has been removed in *Lc* and *Pc***
- **λ_c = *10.7 cm***

The *Rc* ambiguities are NOT integers!!

$$Rc = \frac{\lambda_W}{\lambda_1} N1 - \frac{\lambda_W}{\lambda_2} N2$$

Comments:

Two-frequency receivers are needed to apply the ionosphere-free combination.

If a one-frequency receiver is used, a ionospheric model must be applied to remove the ionospheric refraction. The GPS navigation message provides the parameters of the Klobuchar model which accounts for more than 60% of the ionospheric delay.

Narrow-lane (Pw) and Wide-lane Combination Lw

The wide-lane combination Lw provides a signal with a large wave-length (**λ=86.2cm~4*λ1**). This makes it very useful for detecting cycle-slips through the Melbourne-Wübbena combination: **Lw-Pw**

$$Pw = \frac{f_1 P_1 + f_2 P_2}{f_1 + f_2} \qquad Lw = \frac{f_1 L_1 - f_2 L_2}{f_1 - f_2}$$

The same sign

$$Pw_{sta}^{sat} = \rho_{sta}^{sat} + c \cdot (dt_{sta} - dt^{sat}) + rel_{sta}^{sat} + Trop_{sta}^{sat} + Ion_{w\,sta}^{sat} + K_{w\,sta} + K_w^{sat} + \varepsilon$$

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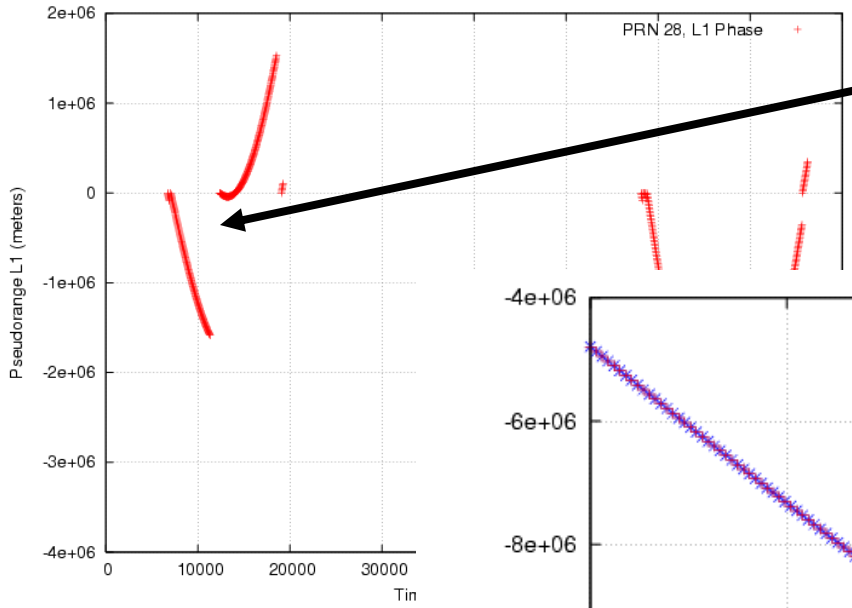
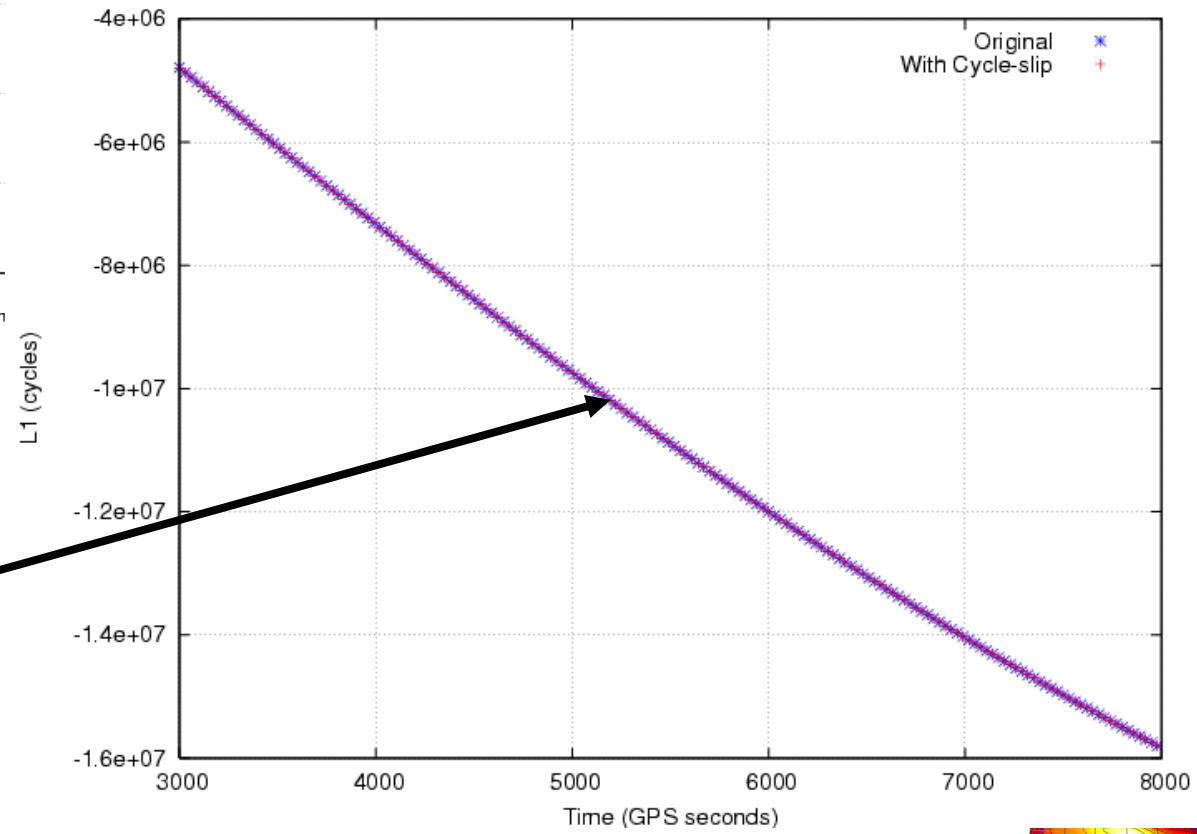
The ambiguities Nw are INTEGERS!

No wind-up

Detecting cycle-slips



This cycle-slip involves millions of cycles ➔ it is easy to detect!!



There is a cycle-slip of only one cycle (~20cm) ➔ How to detect it?

Exercise 2:

a) Using the file 95oct18casa___r0.rnx, generate the "txt" file 95oct18casa.a (with data ordered in columns).

b) Insert a cycle-slip of "one wavelength" (19cm) in L1 measurement at t=5000 s (and no cycle-slip in L2).

c) Plot the measurements "L1, L1-P1, LC-PC, Lw-Pw and LI" and discuss which combination/s should be used to detect the cycle-slip.

Resolution:

a)
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cat 95oct18casa___r0.rnx| rnx2txt > 95oct18casa.a
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b)
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cat 95oct18casa.a | gawk '{if ($4==18)
                                print $3,$5,$6,$7,$8}' > s18.org
cat s18.org | gawk '{if ($1>=5000) $2=$2+0.19;
  printf "%s %f %f %f %f \n", $1,$2,$3,$4,$5}' > s18.cl
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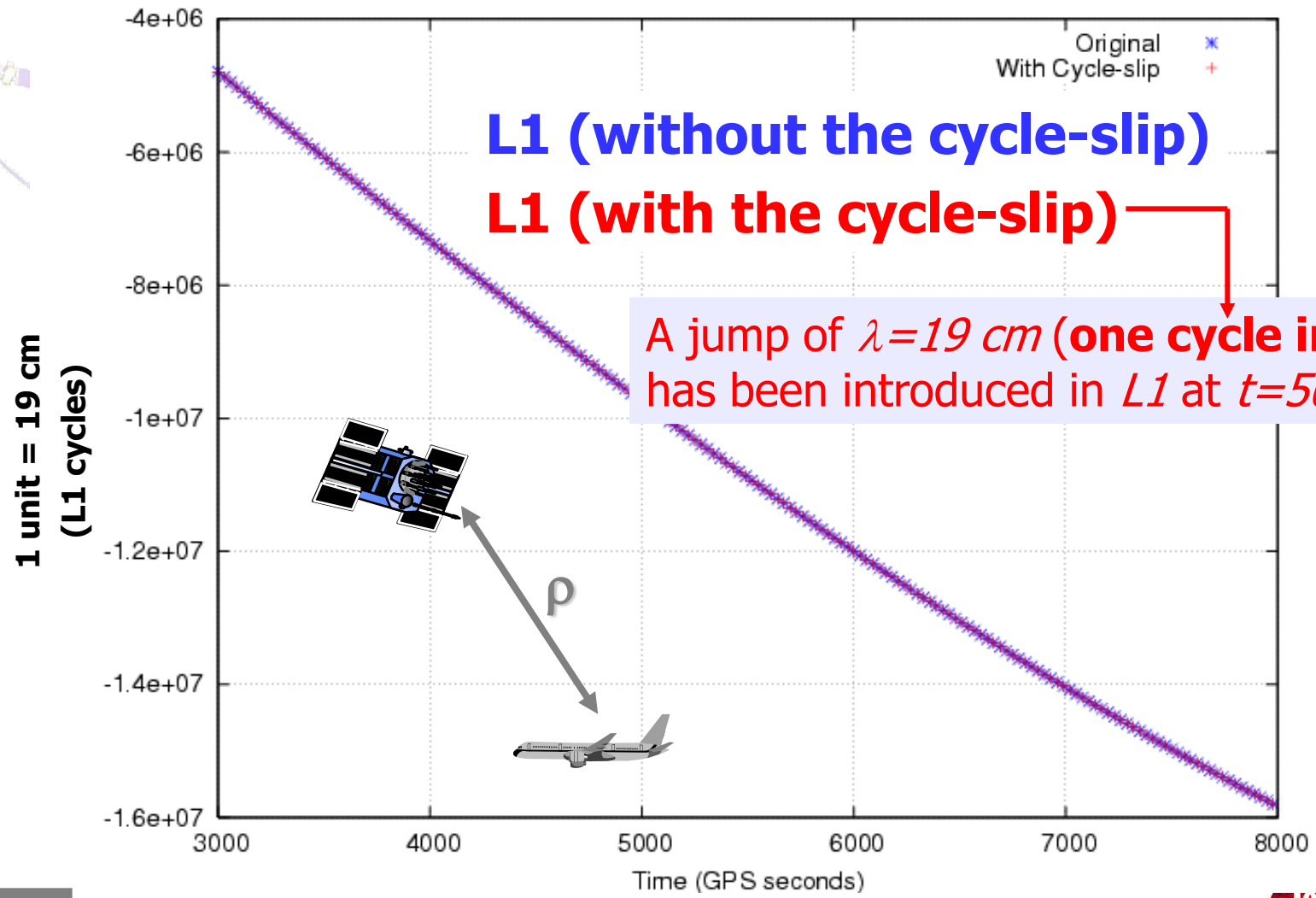
c) See next plots:

The geometry "ρ" is the dominant term in the plot. The variation of "ρ" in 1 sec may be hundreds of meters, many times greater than the cycle-slip *(19 cm)* ➔ **the variation of ρ shadows the cycle-slip!**



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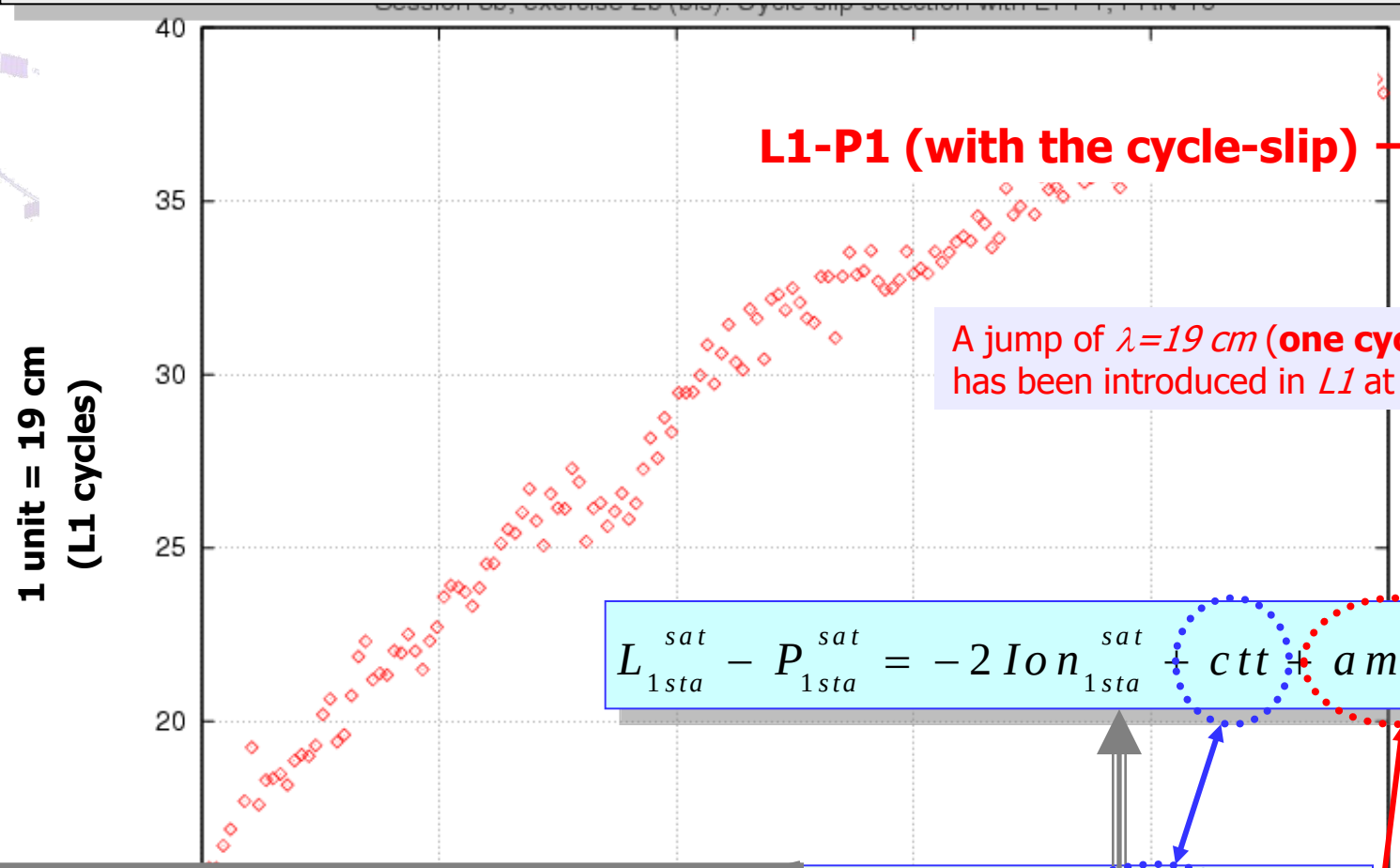

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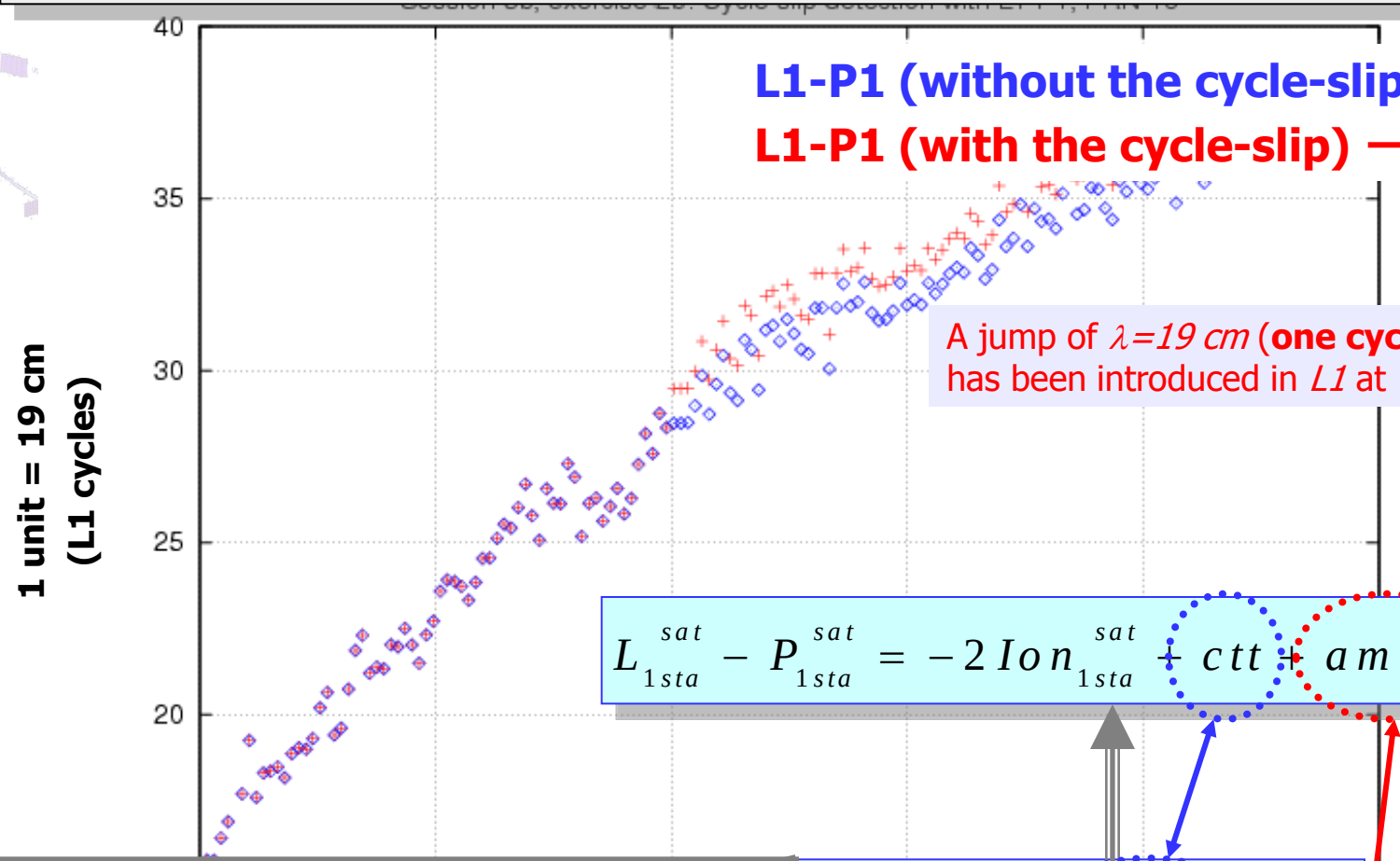

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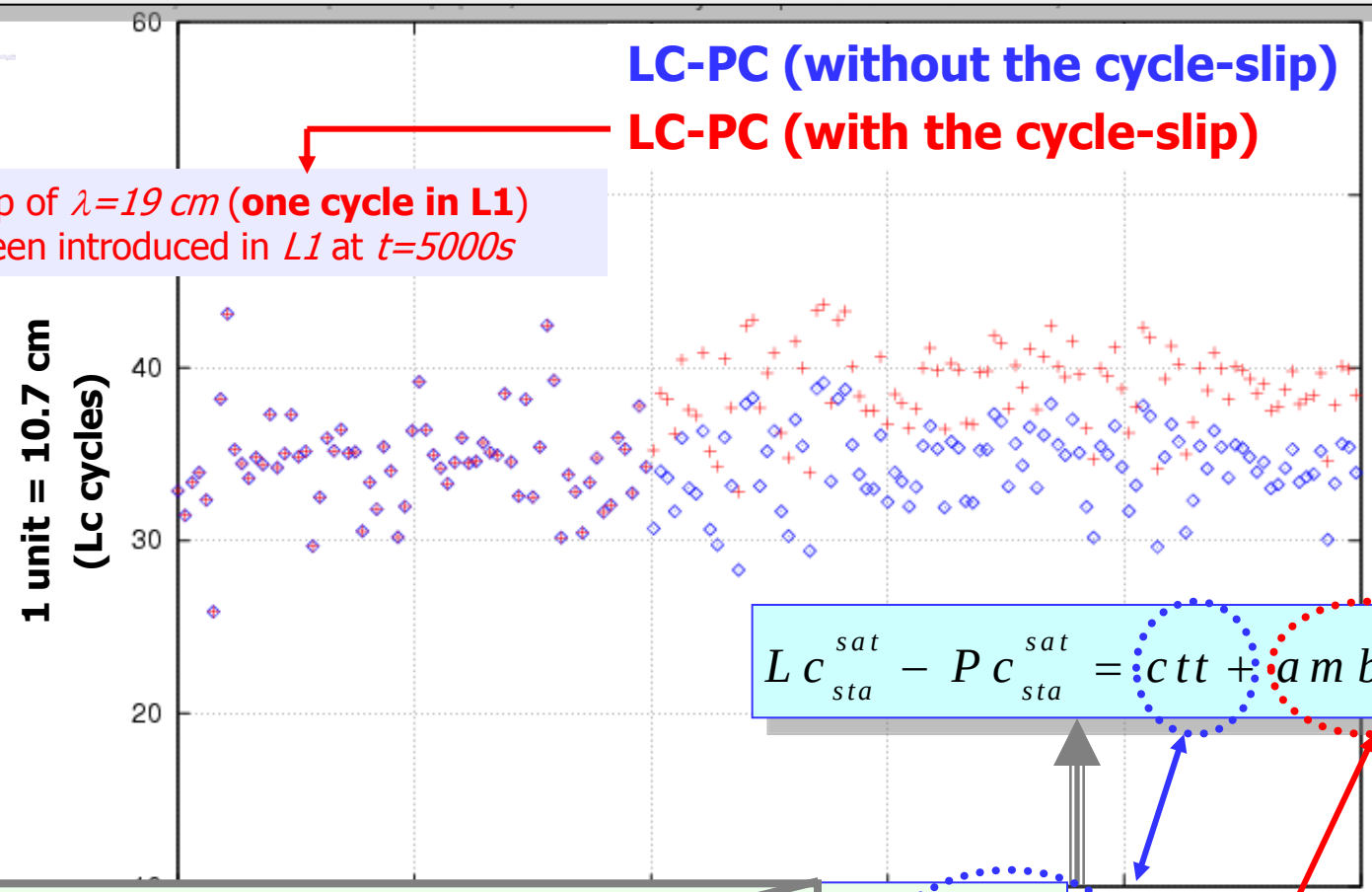
The geometry, clock offsets and iono have been removed. There is a constant pattern plus noise. The *P1* code noise also shadows the cycle-slip, and without the reference (in blue), the time where the cycle-slip happens could not be identified.



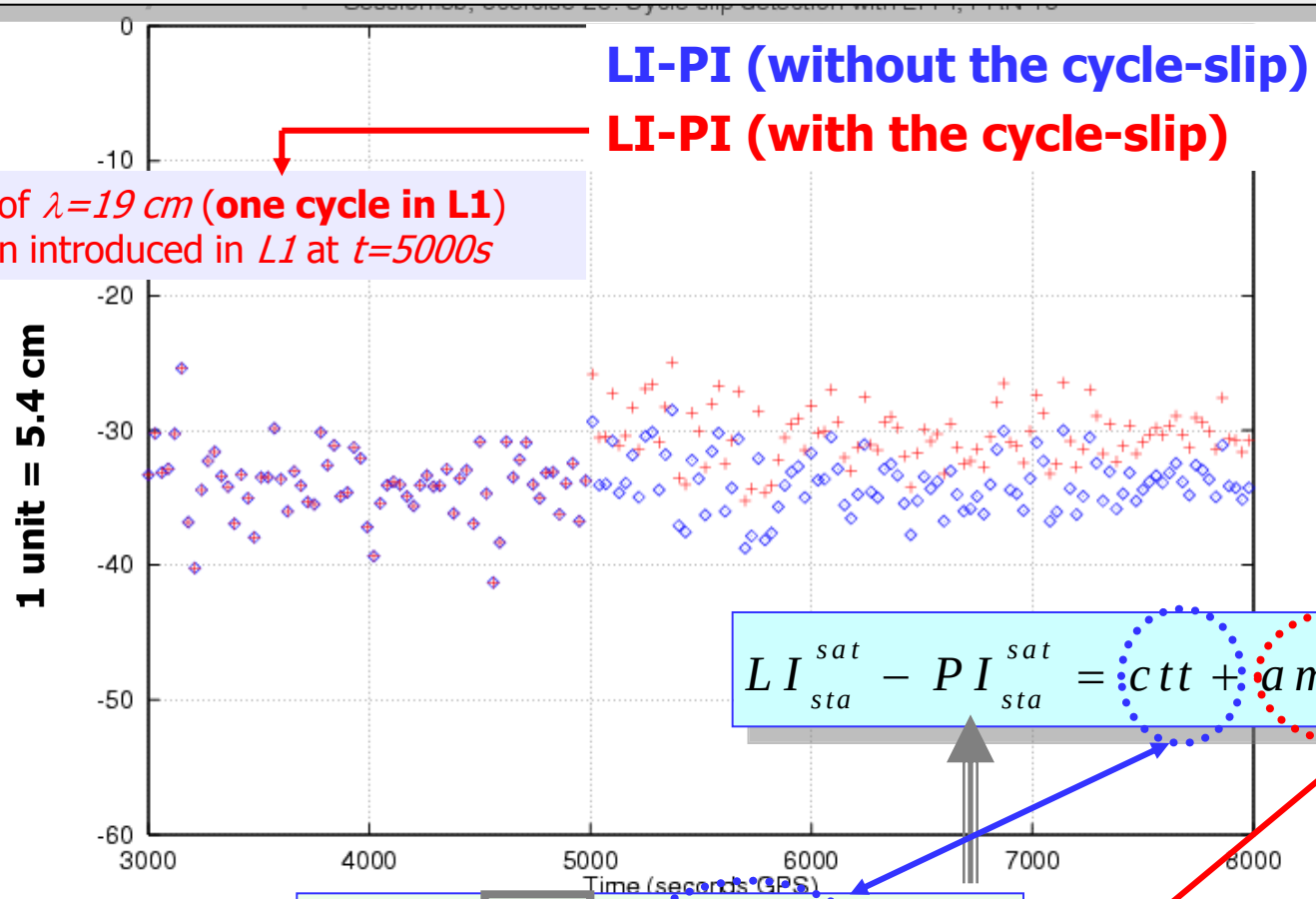
$$Lc_{sta}^{sat} - Pc_{sta}^{sat} = ctt + ambig + \varepsilon$$

$$Pc_{sta}^{sat} = \rho_{sta}^{sat} + c\cdot(dt_{sta} - dt^{sat}) + rel_{sta}^{sat} + Trop_{sta}^{sat} + Kc_{sta} + \varepsilon$$

$$Lc_{sta}^{sat} = \rho_{sta}^{sat} + c\cdot(dt_{sta} - dt^{sat}) + rel_{sta}^{sat} + Trop_{sta}^{sat} + kc_{sta} + kc^{sat} + \lambda_c Rc + w_c + \varepsilon$$

The geometry, clock offsets and iono have been removed.

There is a constant pattern plus noise. The *P1* code noise also shadows the cycle-slip, and without the reference (in blue), the time where the cycle-slip happens could not be identified.

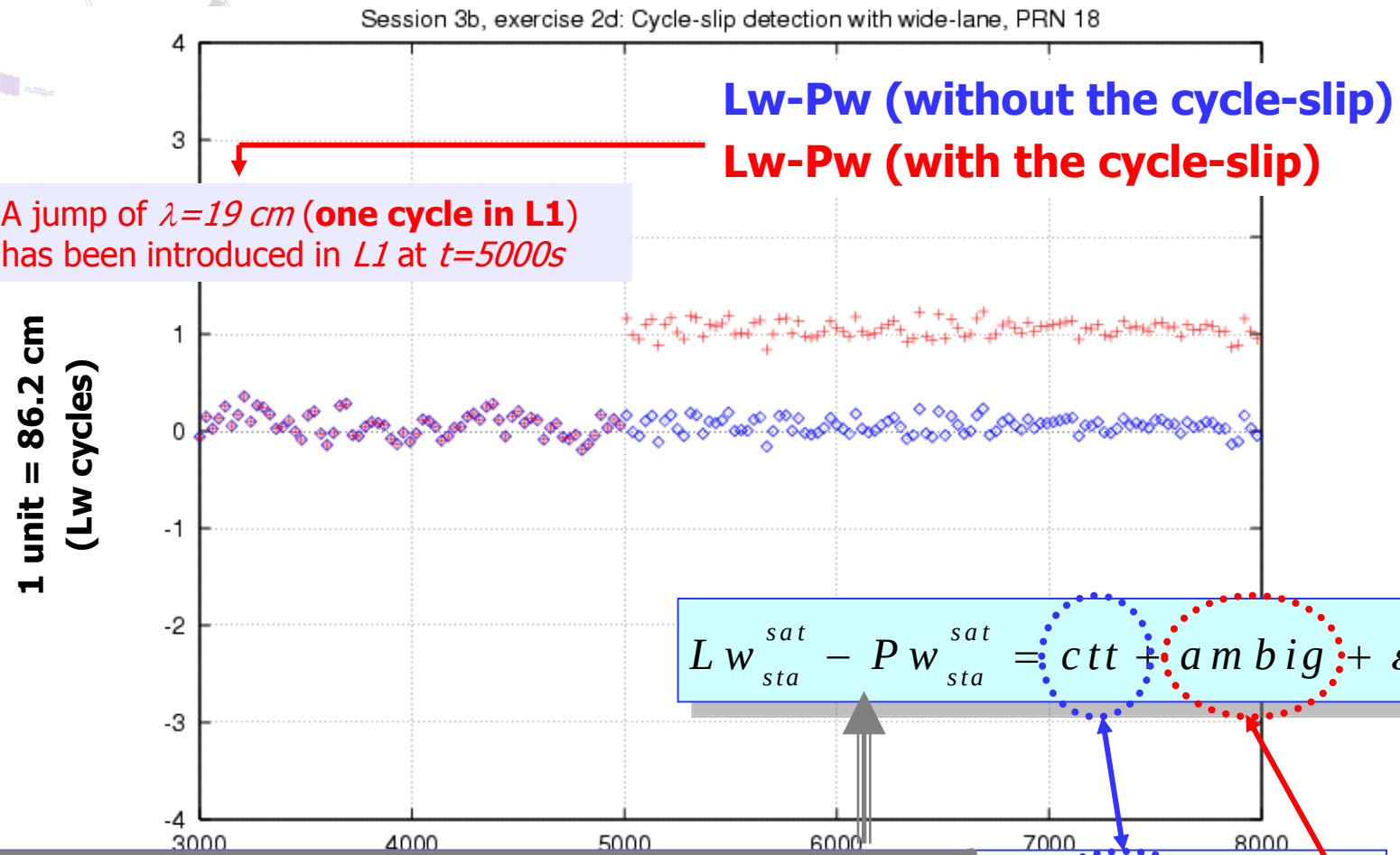


$$LI_{sta}^{sat} - PI_{sta}^{sat} = ctt + ambig + \varepsilon$$

$$PI_{sta}^{sat} = Ion_I + K_{I\,sta} + K_I^{sat} + \varepsilon$$

$$LI_{sta}^{sat} = Ion_I + k_{I_{sta}} + k_I^{sat} + \lambda_1 N_1 - \lambda_2 N_2 + w_I + \varepsilon$$

The geometry , clock offsets and iono have been removed. There is a constant pattern plus noise. The *Pw* code noise is under one cycle of *Lw*. Thence, the cycle-slip is clearly detected



$$Lw_{sta}^{sat} - Pw_{sta}^{sat} = ctt + ambig + \varepsilon$$

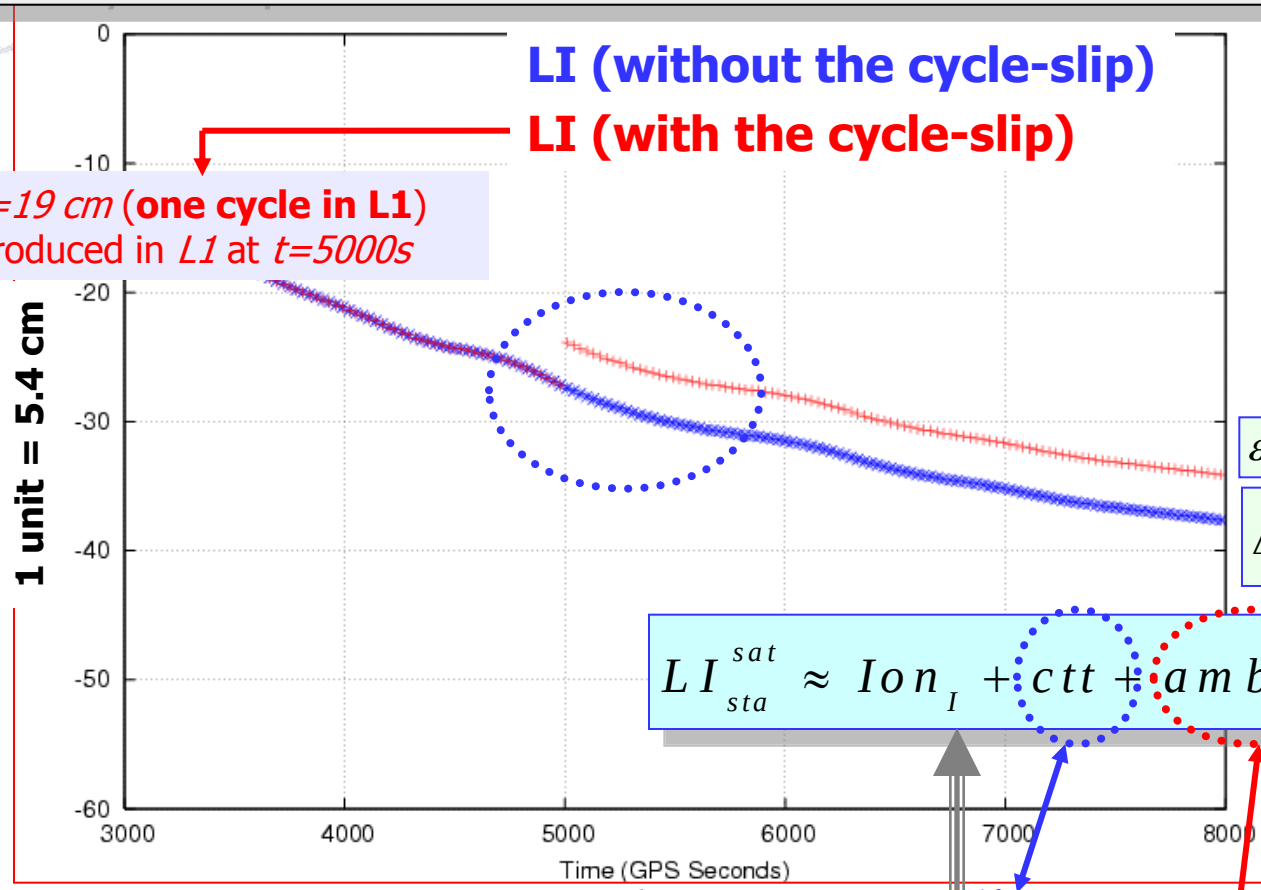
$$Pw_{sta}^{sat} = \rho_{sta}^{sat} + c\cdot(dt_{sta} - dt^{sat}) + rel_{sta}^{sat} + Trop_{sta}^{sat} + Ion_{w_{sta}}^{sat} + K_{w_{sta}} + K_{w}^{sat} + \varepsilon$$

$$Lw_{sta}^{sat} = \rho_{sta}^{sat} + c\cdot(dt_{sta} - dt^{sat}) + rel_{sta}^{sat} + Trop_{sta}^{sat} + Ion_{w_{sta}}^{sat} + k_{w_{sta}} + k_{w}^{sat} + \lambda_{w} N_{w} + \varepsilon$$

The geometry and clock offsets have been removed.

The trend is due to the Iono. The *L1* code noise is few mm, and the variation of the ionosphere in 1 second is lower than $\lambda_1 = 19\ cm$

Thence, the cycle-slip is detected.



$\varepsilon \quad mm$

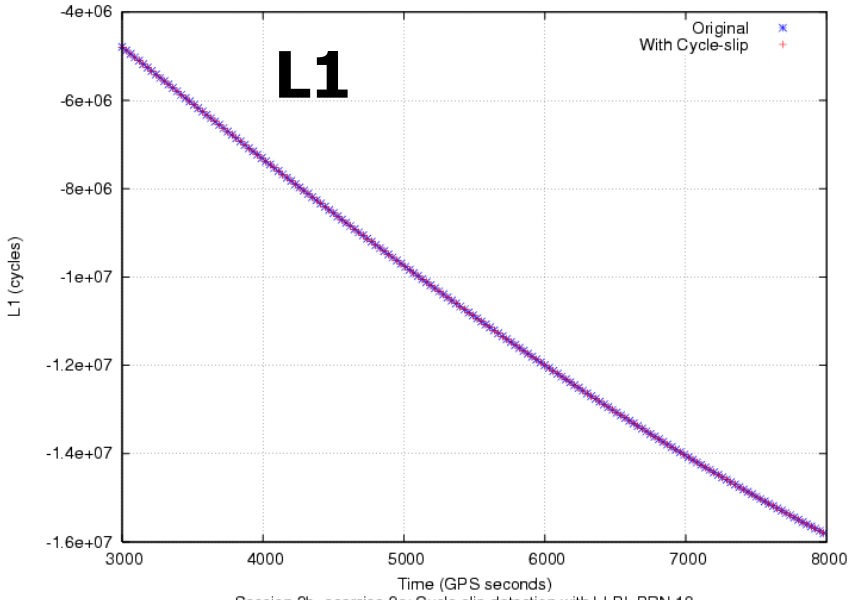
$\Delta w_I \ll$

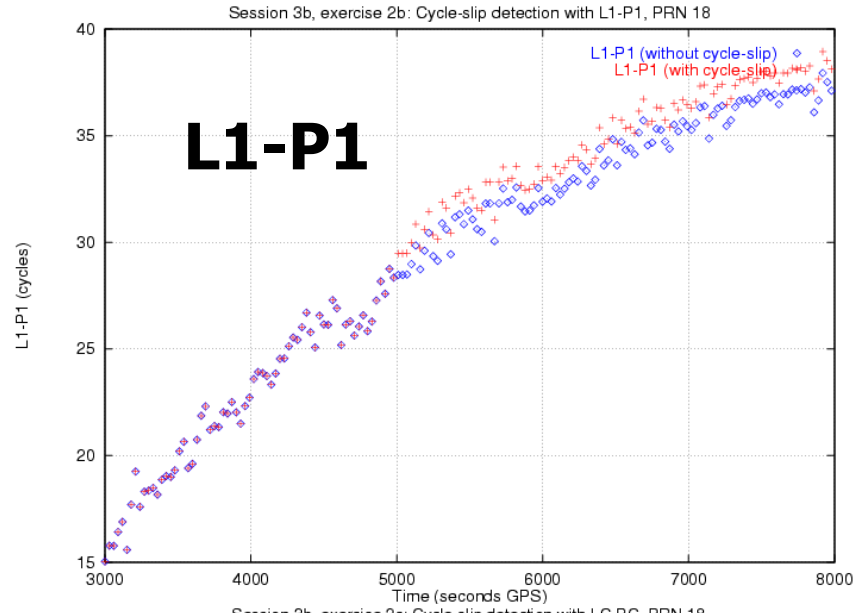
$$LI_{sta}^{sat} \approx Ion_I + ctt + ambig$$

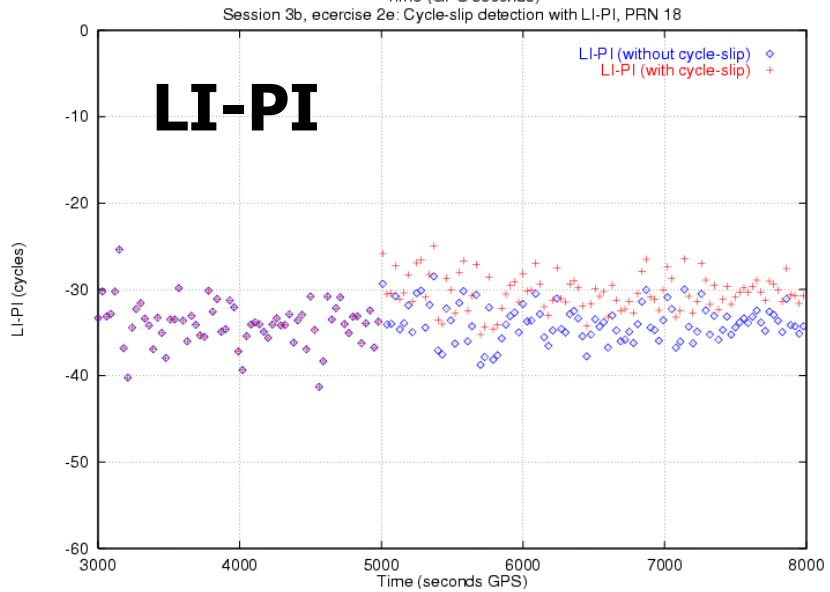
$$L_{1sta}^{sat} = \rho_{sta}^{sat} + c \cdot (dt_{sta} - dt^{sat}) + rel_{sta}^{sat} + Trop_{sta}^{sat} - Ion_{1sta}^{sat} + k_{1sta} + k_1^{sat} + \lambda_1 N_1 + w_1 + \varepsilon$$

$$L_{2sta}^{sat} = \rho_{sta}^{sat} + c \cdot (dt_{sta} - dt^{sat}) + rel_{sta}^{sat} + Trop_{sta}^{sat} - Ion_{2sta}^{sat} + k_{2sta} + k_2^{sat} + \lambda_2 N_2 + w_2 + \varepsilon$$

Summary


L1
Original
With Cycle-slip
L1 (cycles)
Time (GPS seconds)


Session 3b, exercise 2b: Cycle-slip detection with L1-P1, PRN 18
L1-P1
L1-P1 (without cycle-slip)
L1-P1 (with cycle-slip)
L1-P1 (cycles)
Time (seconds GPS)


Session 3b, ecercise 2e: Cycle-slip detection with LI-PI, PRN 18
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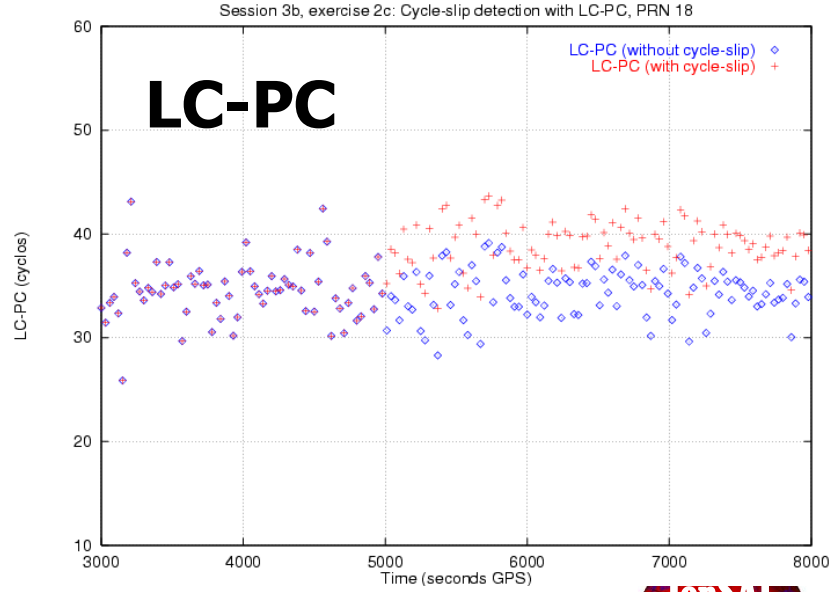
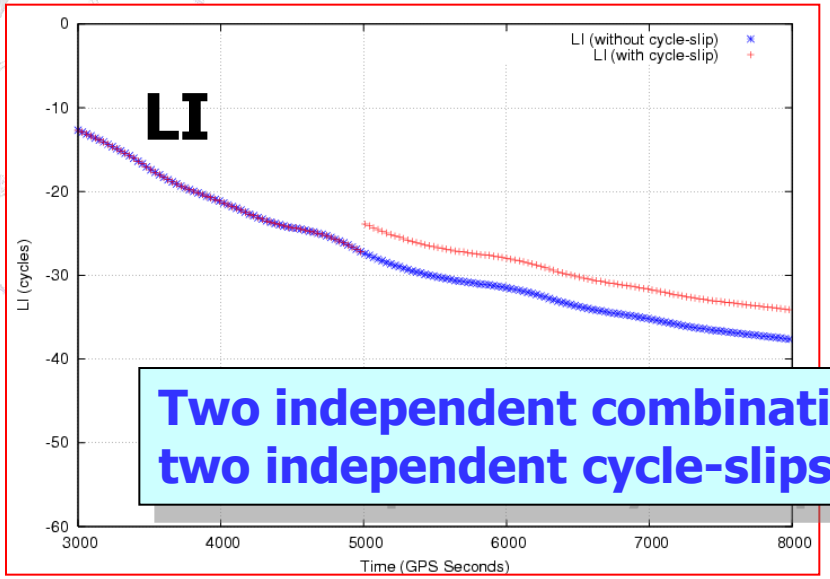
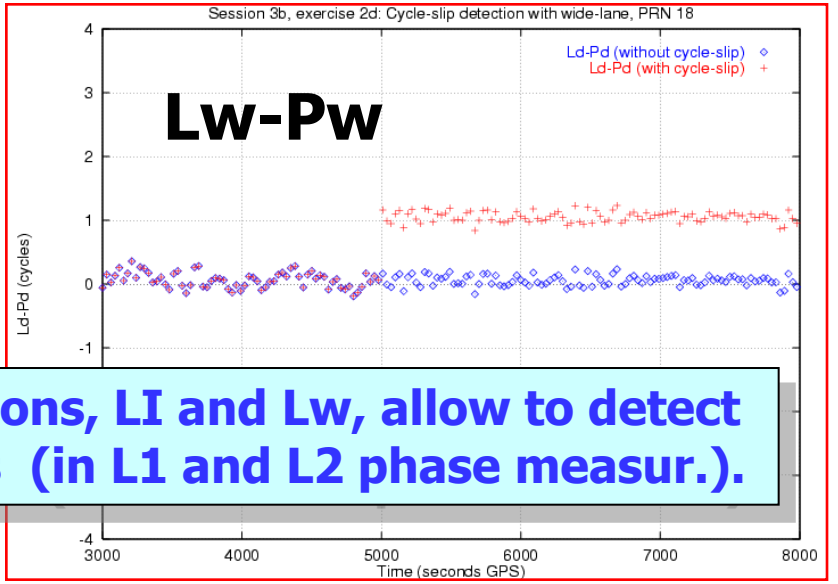
LI-PI (without cycle-slip)
LI-PI (with cycle-slip)
LI-PI (cycles)
Time (seconds GPS)

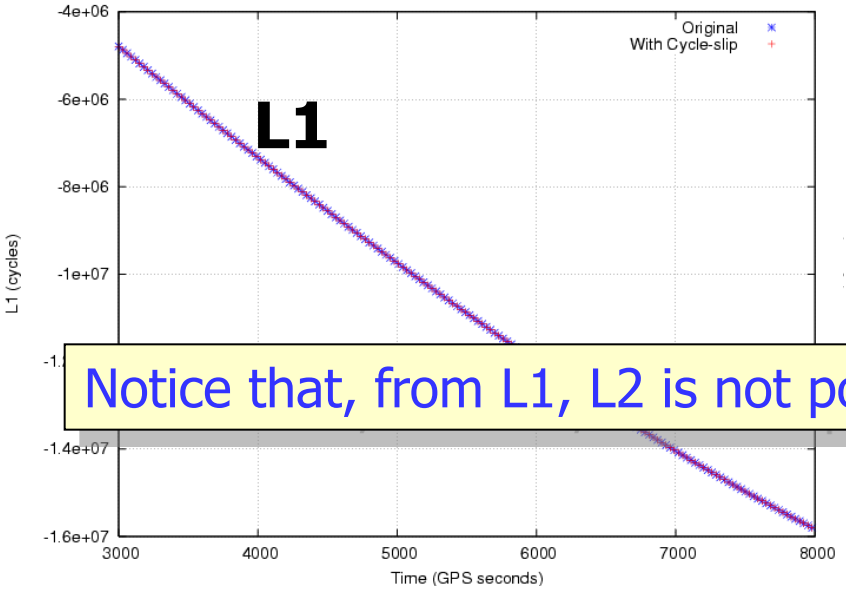

Session 3b, exercise 2c: Cycle-slip detection with LC-PC, PRN 18
LC-PC
LC-PC (without cycle-slip)
LC-PC (with cycle-slip)
LC-PC (cycles)
Time (seconds GPS)

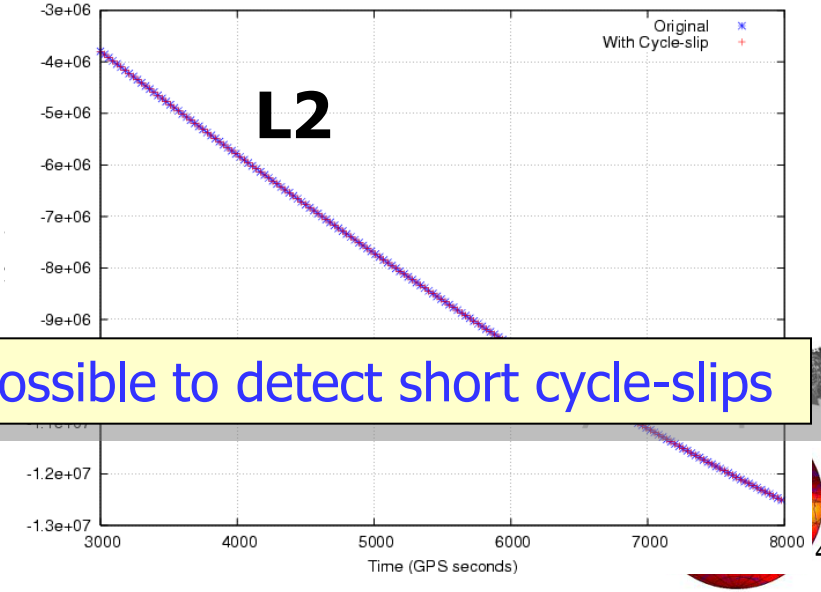
The cycle-slips are detected by the Ionospheric combination (LI=L1-L2) and the Melbourne Wübbena (W=Lw-Pw)





Two independent combinations, LI and Lw, allow to detect two independent cycle-slips (in L1 and L2 phase measur.).





Notice that, from L1, L2 is not possible to detect short cycle-slips

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Satellite coordinates

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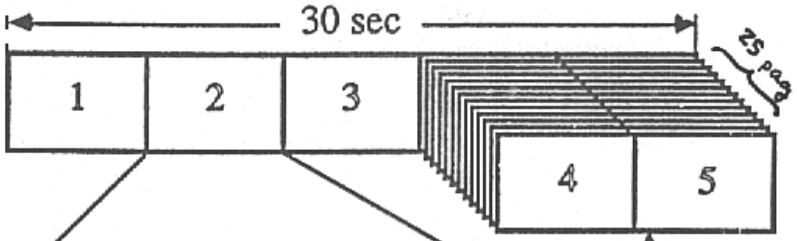
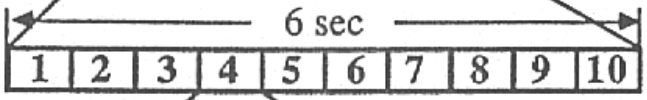
GPS MESSAGE FORMAT

BASIC MESSAGE UNIT IS ONE FRAME (1500 BITS LONG)

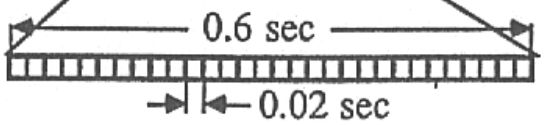
1 FRAME = 5 SUBFRAMES



1 SUBFRAME = 10 WORDS

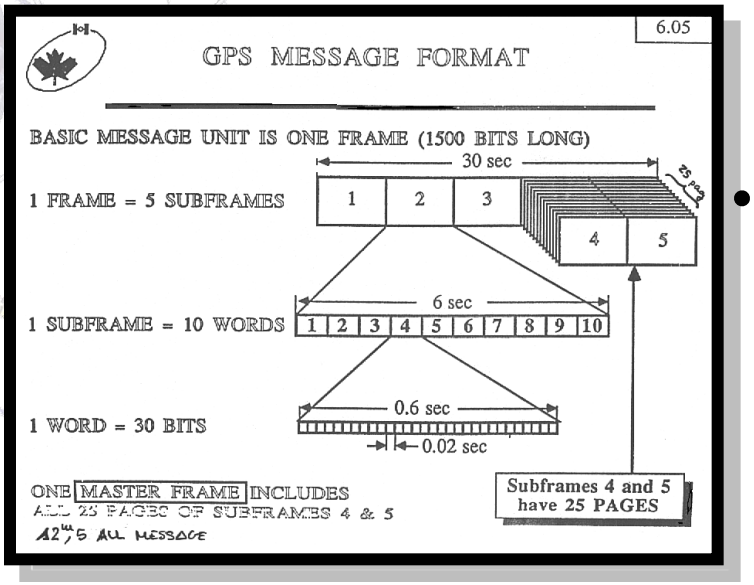


1 WORD = 30 BITS

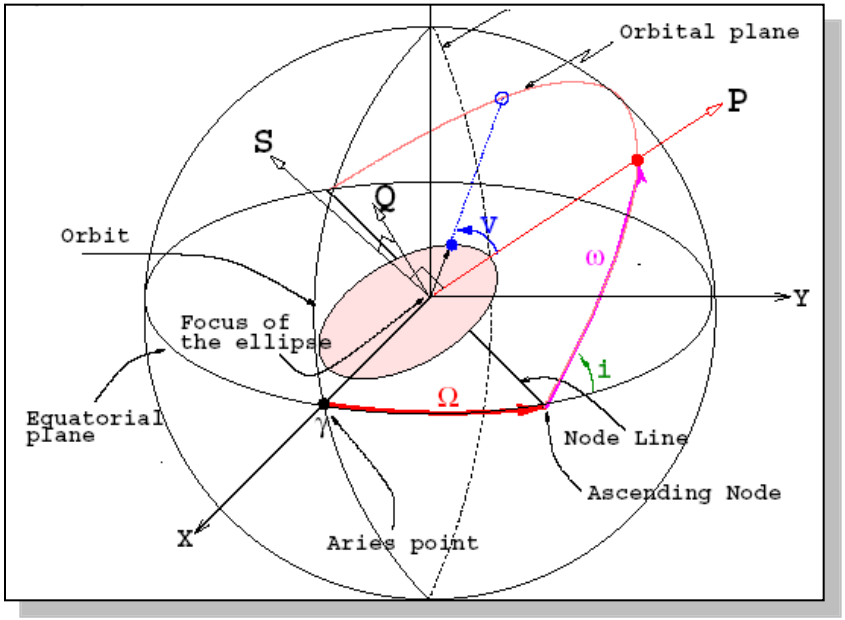


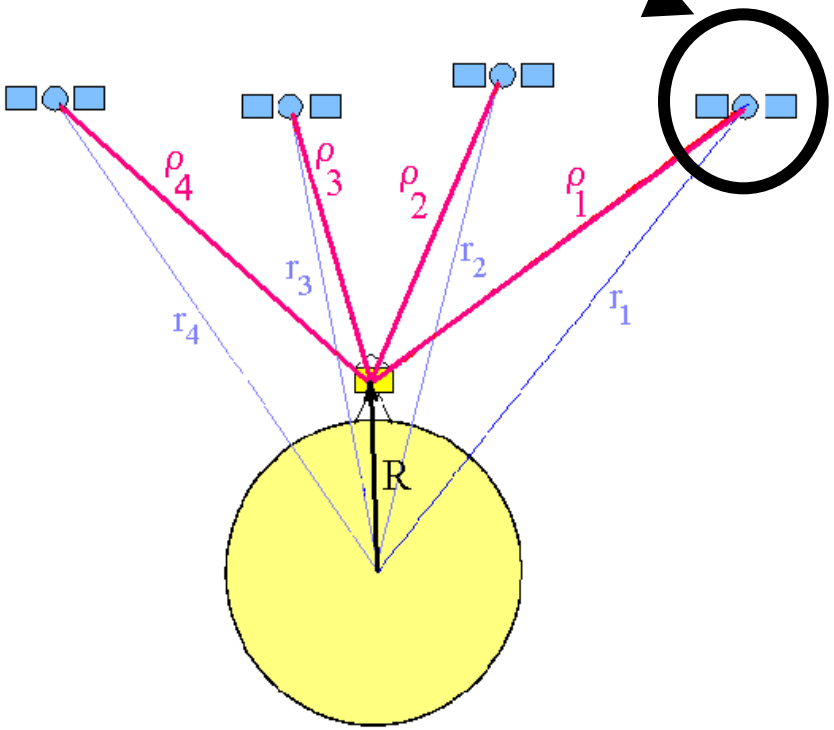
ONE MASTER FRAME INCLUDES
ALL 25 PAGES OF SUBFRAMES 4 & 5
12^m,5 ALL MESSAGE

Subframes 4 and 5 have 25 PAGES



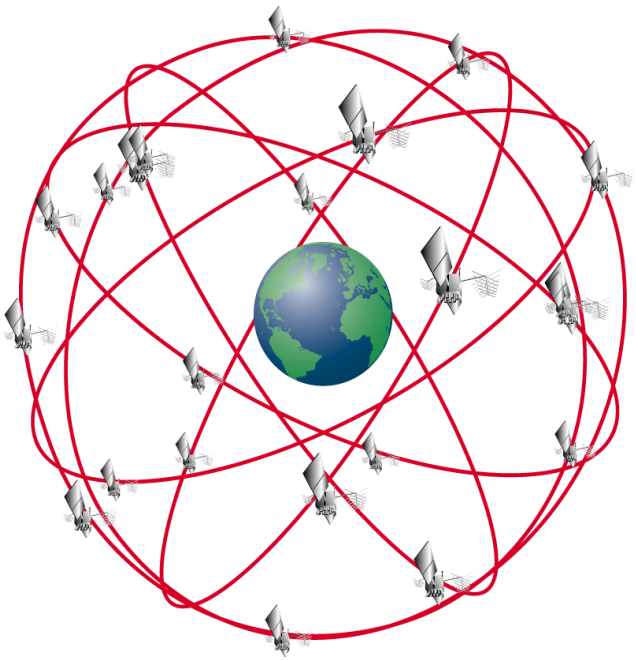
The GPS navigation message provides pseudo-Keplerian elements to compute satellite coordinates

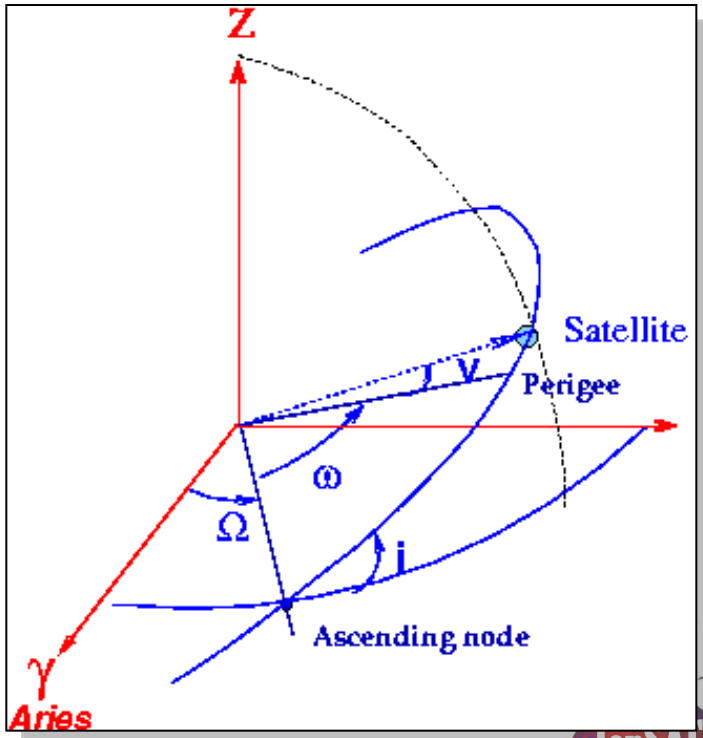




(X, Y, Z, Vx, Vy, Vz) ➔ (*a*, *e*, *i*, *Ω*, *ω*, *V*)

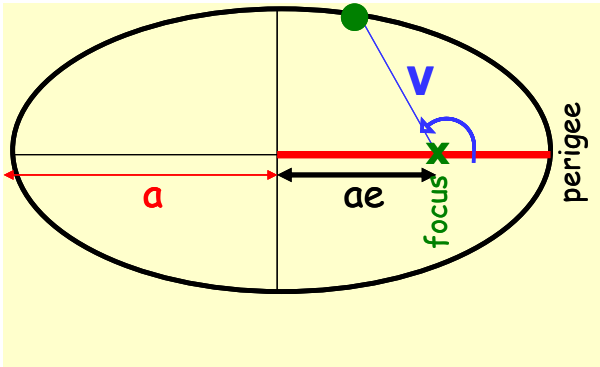
6 values are needed (x,y,z,vx,vy,vz) to provide the position and velocity of a body. They can be map into the **six Keplerian elements** (*a*, *e*, *i*, *Ω*, *ω*, *V*), which provides the "natural" representation of the orbit!

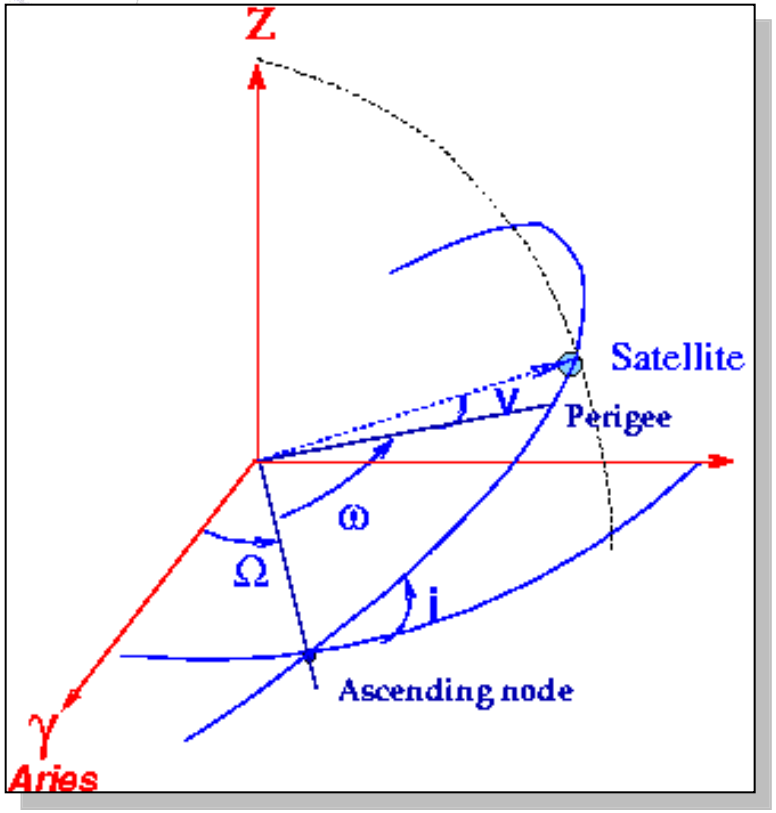




$(a, e, i, \Omega, \omega, V)$

orbit shape	orbit orientation	position in the orbit
a, e	i, Ω, ω	V





a: semi major axis

e: eccentricity

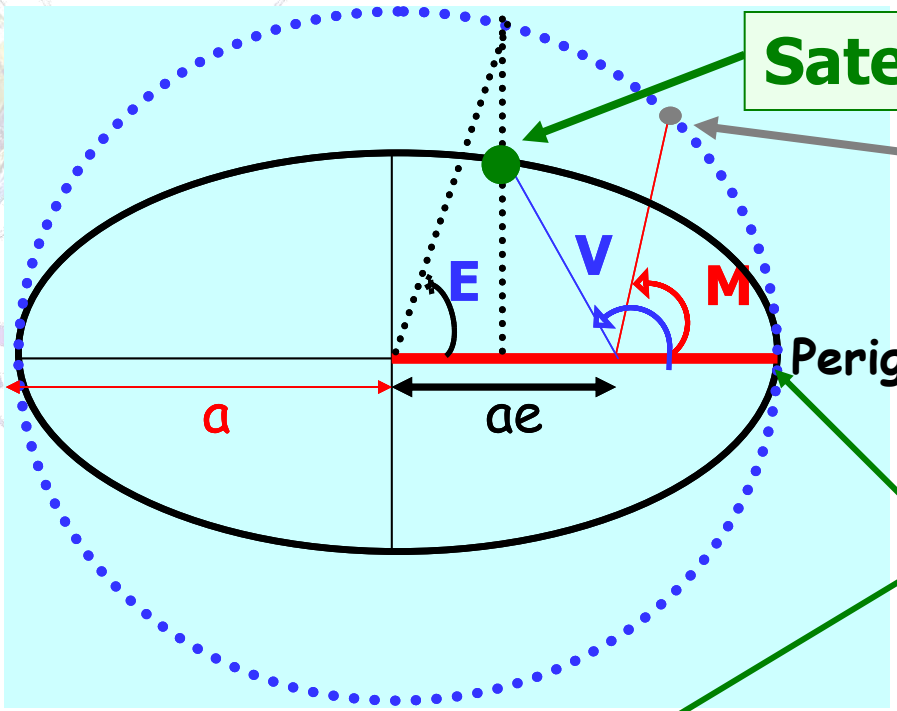
i: inclination

Ω: argument of ascending node

ω: argument of perigee

V: true anomaly

Satellite ➔ True anomaly *(V)*



Fictitious body moving at velocity $n=2\pi/P=ctt$.

➔ **Mean anomaly (*M*)**

T_0 : time of passage by satellite's perigee

$$t \rightarrow \boxed{\begin{matrix} T_0 \\ n = \dfrac{2\pi}{P} \\ \mu,\ a,\ e \end{matrix}} \rightarrow V(t) \quad \Leftrightarrow$$

$$M(t) = n(t - T_0) \quad ; \quad n = \frac{2\pi}{P} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{a^3}}$$

$$E(t) = M(t) + e \sin E(t)$$

$$V(t) = 2 \arctan\left[\sqrt{\frac{1+e}{1-e}} \tan \frac{E(t)}{2}\right]$$

Calculation of osculatrix orbital elements from position and velocity (rv2ele_orb.f)

$$\boxed{(x, y, z, v_x, v_z, v_z) \Rightarrow (a, e, i, \Omega, \omega, M)}$$

$$\vec{c} = \vec{r} \times \vec{v} \Longrightarrow p = \frac{c^2}{\mu} \Longrightarrow p$$

$$\mathrm{v}^2 = \mu(2/r - 1/a) \Longrightarrow a$$

$$\mathrm{p} = \mathrm{a}\ (1 - \mathrm{e}^2) \Longrightarrow e$$

$$\vec{c} = c\vec{S} \Longrightarrow \Omega = \arctan(-c_x/c_y); \quad i = \arccos(c_z/c) \Longrightarrow \Omega, i$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = R \begin{pmatrix} r\cos(V) \\ r\sin(V) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = r \begin{pmatrix} \cos\Omega\cos(\omega+V) - \sin\Omega\sin(\omega+V)\cos i \\ \sin\Omega\cos(\omega+V) + \cos\Omega\sin(\omega+V)\cos i \\ \sin(\omega+V)\sin i \end{pmatrix} \Longrightarrow \omega + V$$

$$r = \frac{p}{1 + e\cos(V)} \Longrightarrow \omega, V$$

$$\tan(E/2) = \left(\frac{1-e}{1+e}\right)^{1/2} \tan(V/2) \quad : \quad M = E - e\sin E \Longrightarrow M$$

Calculation of position and velocity from orbital elements (ele_orb2rv.f, orb2xyz.f)

$$(a, e, i, \Omega, \omega, \underbrace{T}_{V}; t) \Rightarrow (x, y, z, v_x, v_z, v_z)$$

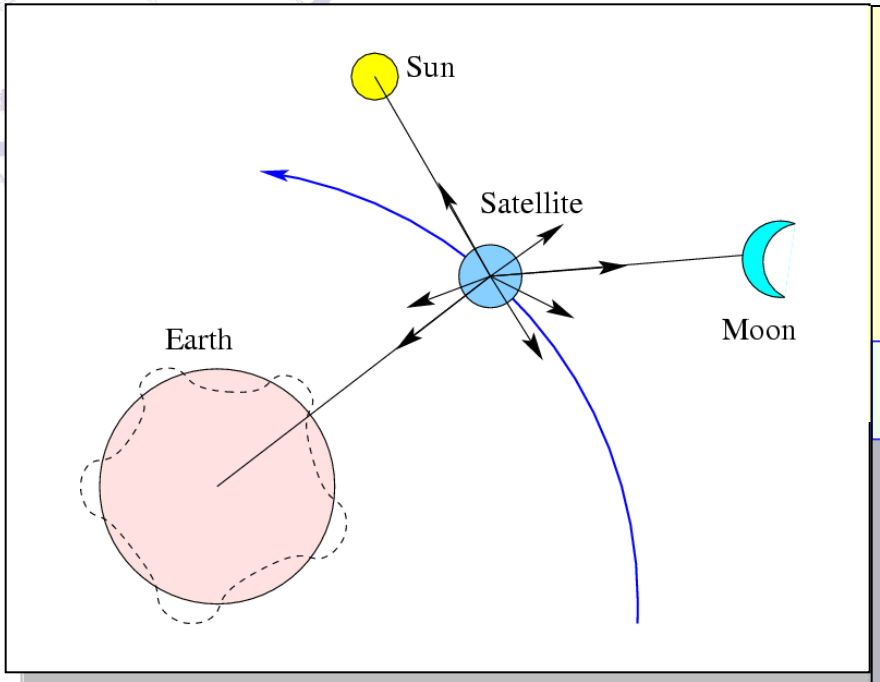
$$t \quad \underset{M = n(t-T)}{\Longrightarrow} \quad M \quad \underset{M = E - e\sin E}{\Longrightarrow} \quad E \quad \underset{\substack{r = a(1-e\cos E) \\ \tan(V/2) = (\frac{1+e}{1-e})^{1/2}\tan(E/2)}}{\Longrightarrow} \quad (r, V)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = R \begin{pmatrix} r\cos(V) \\ r\sin(V) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \; ; \; \begin{pmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \end{pmatrix} = \frac{na^2}{r}\{\vec{Q}(1-e^2)^{1/2}\cos E - \vec{P}\sin E\}$$

Where:

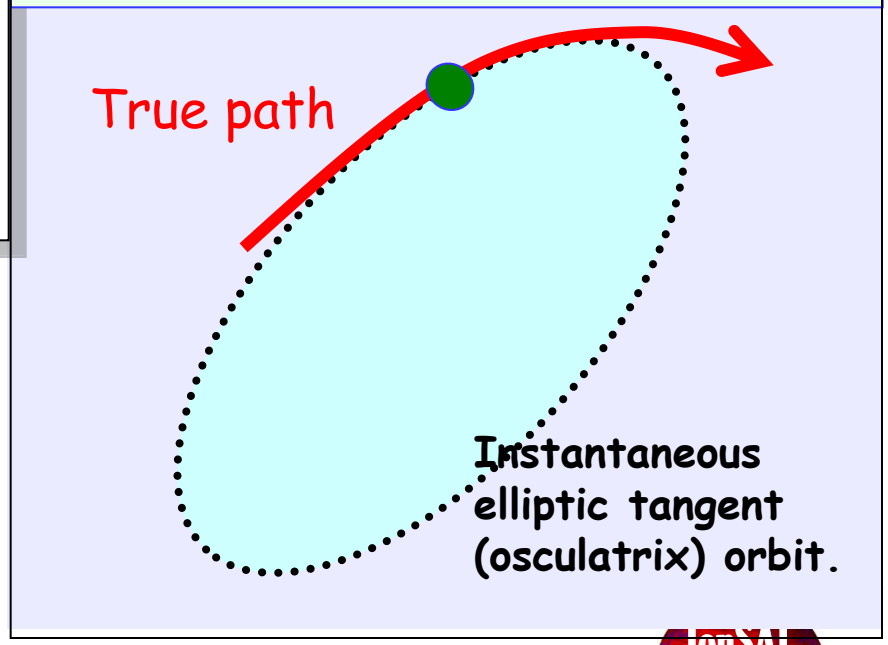
$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{R} &= \mathrm{R}_3(-\Omega)R_1(-i)R_3(-\omega) = \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \cos\Omega & -\sin\Omega & 0 \\ \sin\Omega & \cos\Omega & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos i & -\sin i \\ 0 & \sin i & \cos i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\omega & -\sin\omega & 0 \\ \sin\omega & \cos\omega & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \mathrm{P}_x & \mathrm{Q}_x & \mathrm{S}_x \\ \mathrm{P}_y & \mathrm{Q}_y & \mathrm{S}_y \\ \mathrm{P}_z & \mathrm{Q}_z & \mathrm{S}_z \end{pmatrix} = [\vec{P}\ \vec{Q}\ \vec{S}] \end{aligned}$$

Due to the non-spherical nature of gravitational potential, the attraction of the sun and moon, the solar radiation pressure, etc., **the true satellite path deviates from the elliptic orbit**.



At any time an elliptical orbit tangent to the true path can be defined. This is the "osculatrix orbit", whose Keplerian elements vary with time "t":

$$a(t), e(t), i(t), \Omega(t), \omega(t), V(t)$$



Exercise 3: Orbital elements variation:

File 1995-10-18.eci contains the precise position and velocities of GPS satellites every 5 minutes for October 18th, 1995. **[from JPL/NASA server: ftp://sideshow.jpl.nasa.gov/pub/gipsy_products]**

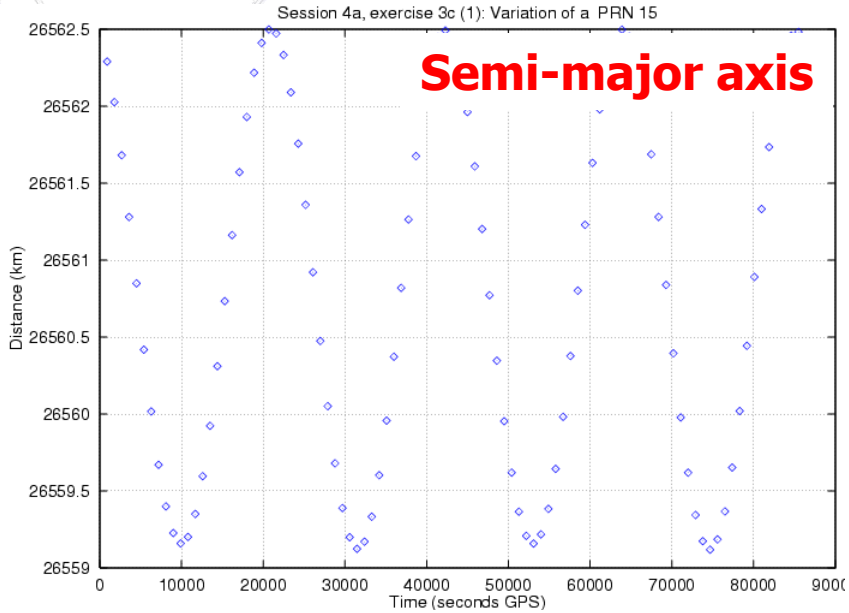
a) Use program "**rv2ele_orb**" to compute the instantaneous orbital elements for each epoch in the file. That is: $(X, Y, Z, V_x, V_y, V_z) \rightarrow (a, e, i, \Omega, \omega, V)$

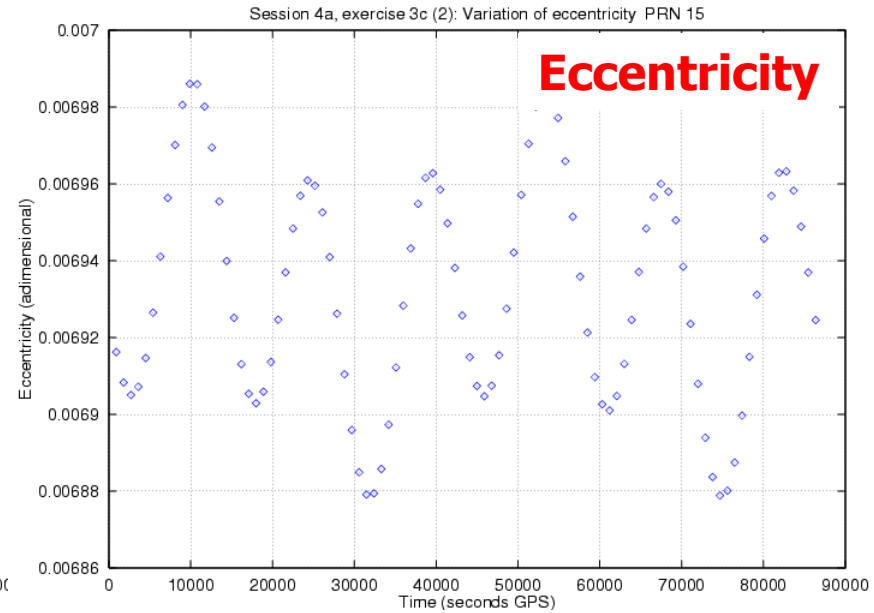
b) Plot the orbital elements in function of time to show their variation: $a(t), e(t), i(t), \Omega(t), \omega(t), V(t)$

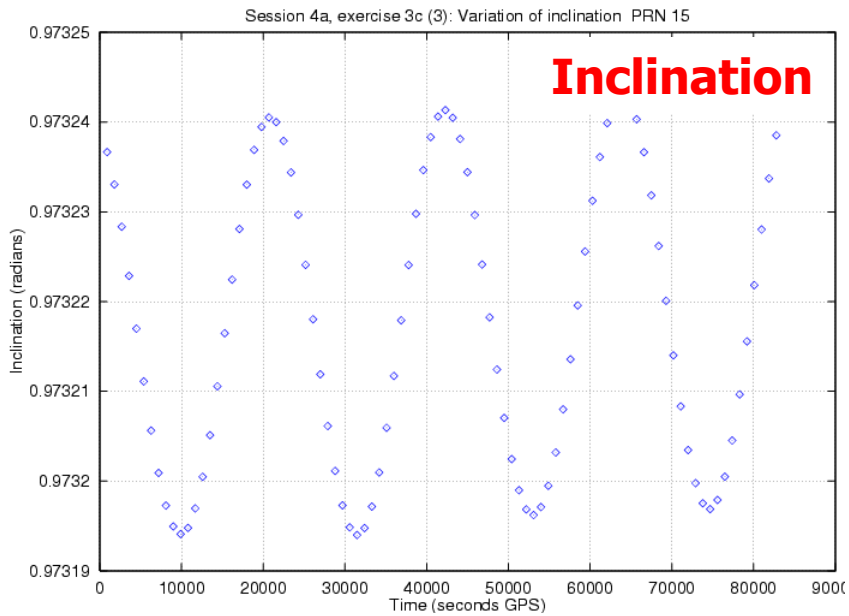
Solution:

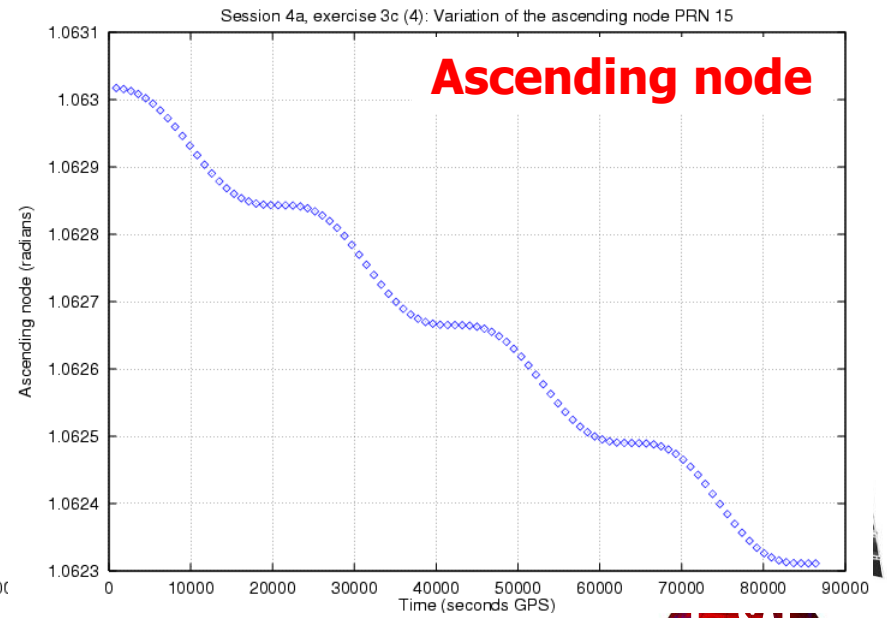
a) **cat 1995-10-18.eci|rv2ele_orb> orb.dat**

b) See the following plots


Session 4a, exercise 3c (1): Variation of a PRN 15
Semi-major axis
Distance (km)
Time (seconds GPS)


Session 4a, exercise 3c (2): Variation of eccentricity PRN 15
Eccentricity
Eccentricity (adimensional)
Time (seconds GPS)


Session 4a, exercise 3c (3): Variation of inclination PRN 15
Inclination
Inclination (radians)
Time (seconds GPS)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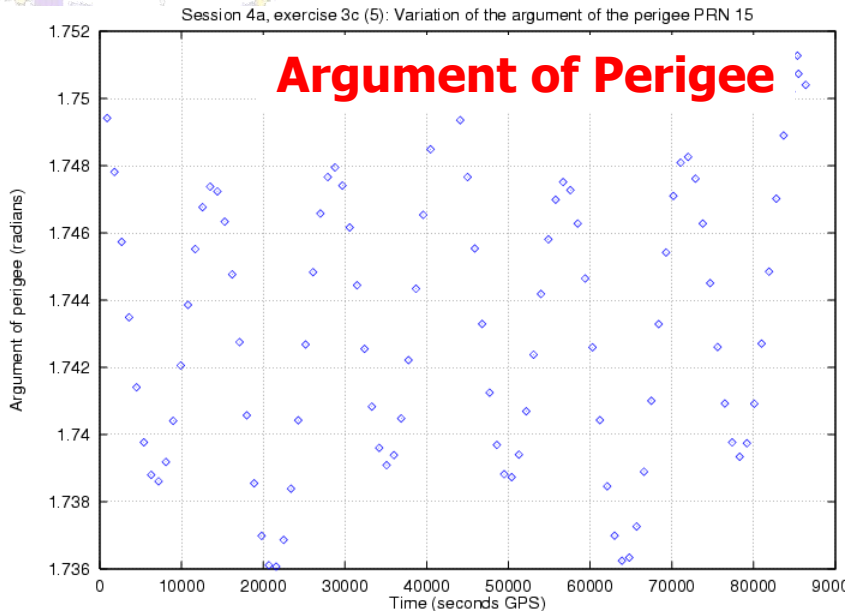
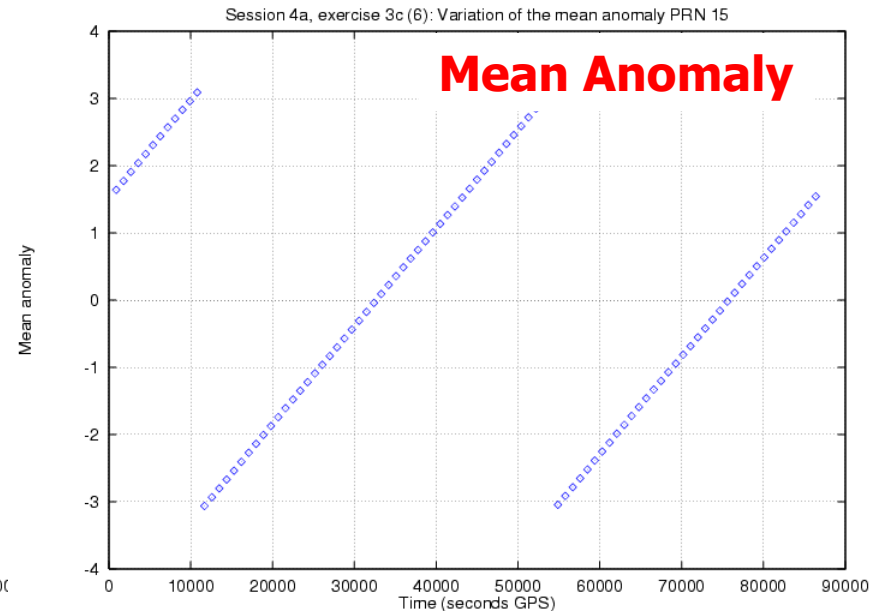
Ascending node
Ascending node (radians)
Time (seconds GPS)


Session 4a, exercise 3c (5): Variation of the argument of the perigee PRN 15
Argument of Perigee
Argument of perigee (radians)
Time (seconds GPS)


Session 4a, exercise 3c (6): Variation of the mean anomaly PRN 15
Mean Anomaly
Mean anomaly
Time (seconds GPS)

Ephemerids in navigation message:

Parameter	Explanation
$IODE$	Series number of ephemerides data
t_{oe}	Ephemerides reference epoch
$\sqrt{a}$	Square root of semi-major axis
e	Eccentricity
M_o	Mean anomaly at reference epoch
ω	Argument of perigee
i_o	Inclination at reference epoch
Ω	Ascending node's right ascension
Δn	Mean motion difference
$\dot{i}$	rate of inclination angle
$\dot{\Omega}$	Rate of node's right ascension
c_{uc}, c_{us}	Latitude argument correction
c_{rc}, c_{rs}	Orbital radius correction
c_{ic}, c_{is}	Inclination correction

In order to calculate WGS84 satellite coordinates, you should apply de following algorithm [GPS/SPS-SS, table 2-15] (see in the book FORTRAN subroutine orbit.f, annex IV)

RINEX ephemeris file

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   +1.1878E+05 +1.4746E+05 -1.3107E+05 -3.2768E+05          ION BETA
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Computation of satellite coordinates from navigation message (orbit.f)

- **Computation of t_k time since ephemerids reference epoch t_{oe} (t and t_{oe} are given in GPS seconds of week):**

$$t_k = t - t_{oe}$$

- **Computation of mean anomaly M_k for t_k,**

$$M_k = M_0 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{\mu}}{\sqrt{a^3}} + \Delta n \right) t_k$$

- **Iterative resolution of Kepler's equation in order to compute eccentric anomaly E_k :**

$$M_k = E_k - e \sin E_k$$

- **Calculation of true anomaly v_k :**

$$v_k = \arctan \left(\frac{\sqrt{1 - e^2} \sin E_k}{\cos E_k - e} \right)$$

- **Computation of latitude argument u_k from perigee argument W, true anomaly v_k and corrections c_{uc} and c_{us}:**

$$u_k = \omega + v_k + c_{uc} \cos 2(\omega + v_k) + c_{us} \sin 2(\omega + v_k)$$

- **Computation of radial distance r_k, taking into consideration corrections c_{rc} and c_{rs}:**

$$r_k = a\left(1 - 2\cos E_k\right) + c_{rc}\cos 2\left(\omega + v_k\right) + c_{rs}\sin 2\left(\omega + v_k\right)$$

- **Calculation of orbital plane inclination i_k from inclination i_o at reference epoch t_{oe} and corrections c_{ic} and c_{is} :**

$$i_k = i_0 + i t_k + c_{ic}\cos 2\left(\omega + v_k\right) + c_{is}\sin 2\left(\omega + v_k\right)$$

- **Computation of ascending node longitude Ω_k (Greenwich), from longitude Ω_0 at start of GPS week, corrected from apparent variation of sidereal time at Greenwich between start of week and and reference time $t_k = t - t_{oe}$, and also corrected from change of ascending node longitude since reference epoch t_{oe}.**

$$\Omega_k = \Omega_0 + \left(\Omega - \omega_E\right) t_k - \omega_E t_{oe}$$

- **Calculation of coordinates in CTS system, applying three rotations (around u_k, i_k, Ω_k) :**

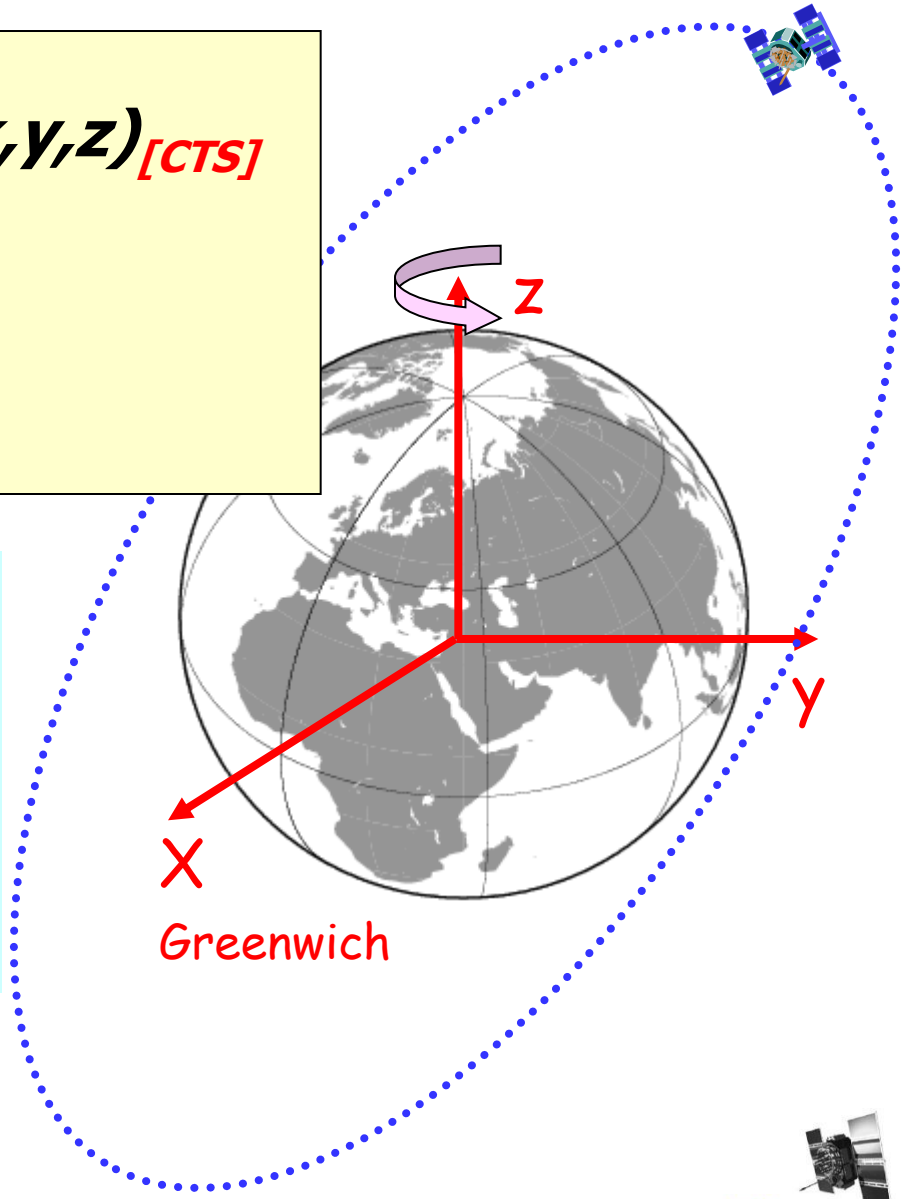
$$\begin{bmatrix} X_k \\ Y_k \\ Z_k \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{R}_3(-\Omega_k)\mathbf{R}_1(-i_k)\mathbf{R}_3(-u_k)\begin{bmatrix} r_k \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$t \longrightarrow$ **Orbit.f** $\longrightarrow (x,y,z)_{[CTS]}$

Nav. message
(ephemeris)

Conventional Terrestrial System **(CTS):**

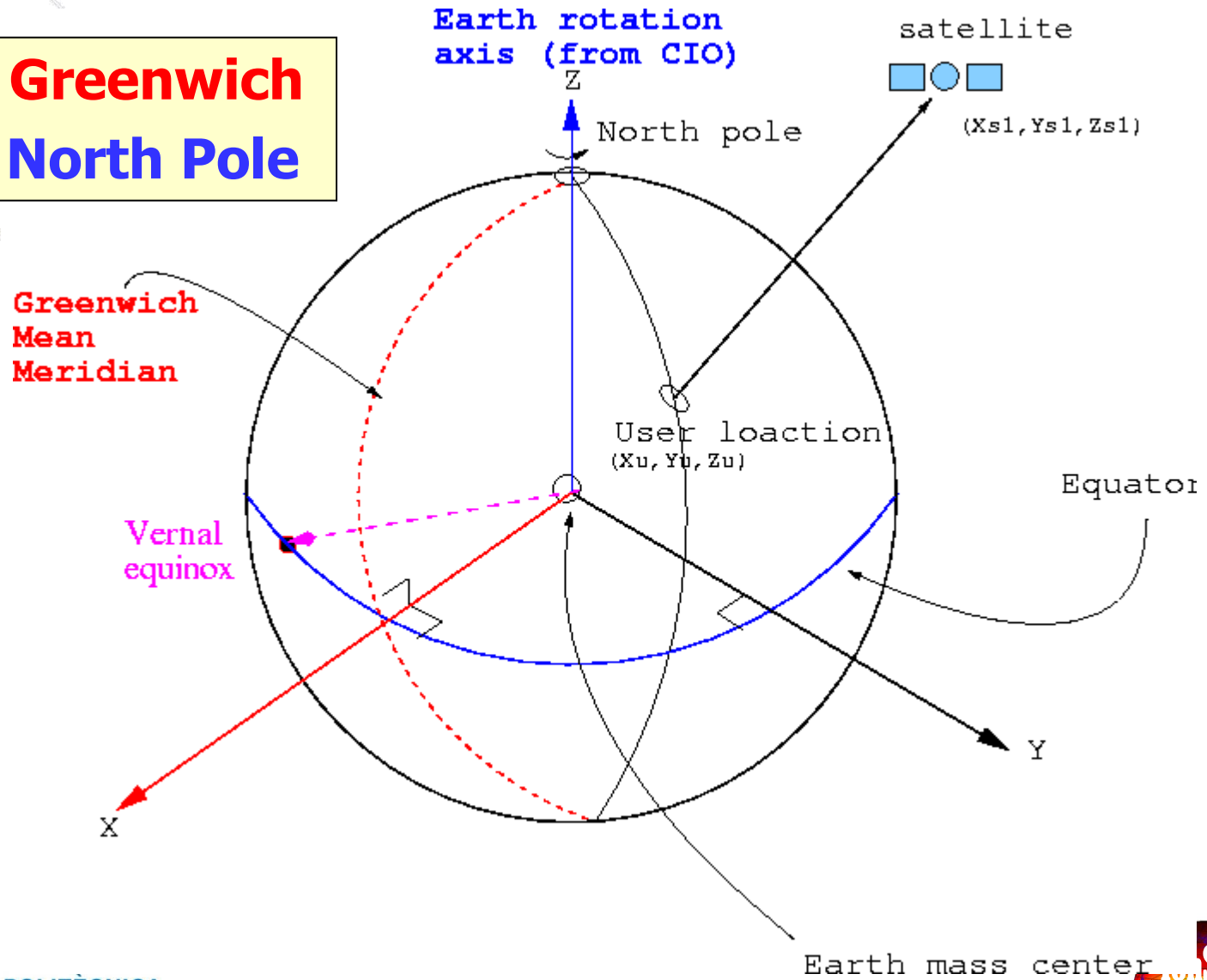
Earth-Fixed System →
the reference system rotates with Earth.



The program orbit.f provides the satellite coordinates in a Earth fixed system **(CTS)**

X → Greenwich

Z → North Pole



Exercise 4: Orbits and clocks accuracy (S/A=on)

The file "eph.on" contains satellite coordinates (x,y,z) and clocks, computed from the navigation message of GPS satellites for March 23th, 1999. (with S/A=on)

[the coordinates has been computed using the program orbit.f]

The file "sp3.on" contains precise coordinates and clocks of GPS satellites for March 23th, 1999

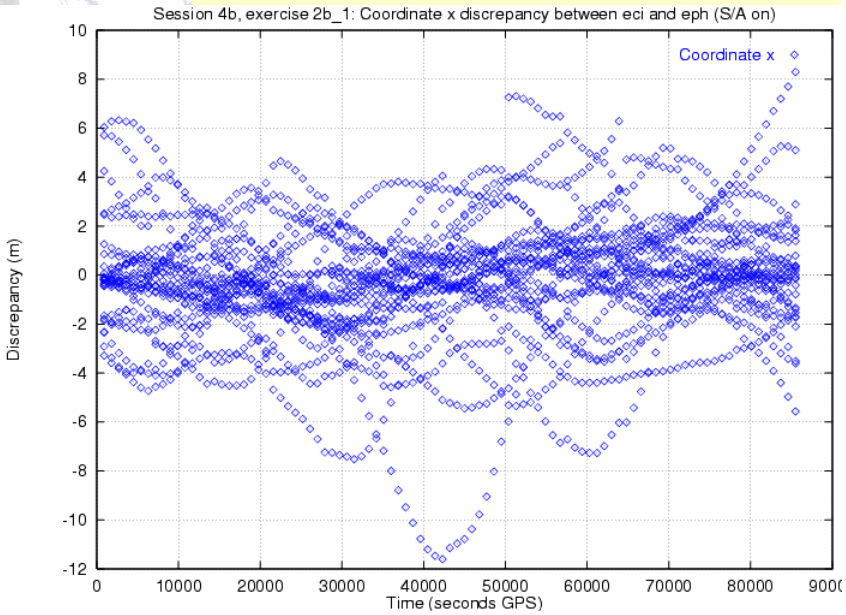
[Provided by the IGS server ftp://igscb.jpl.nasa.gov/igscb/product]

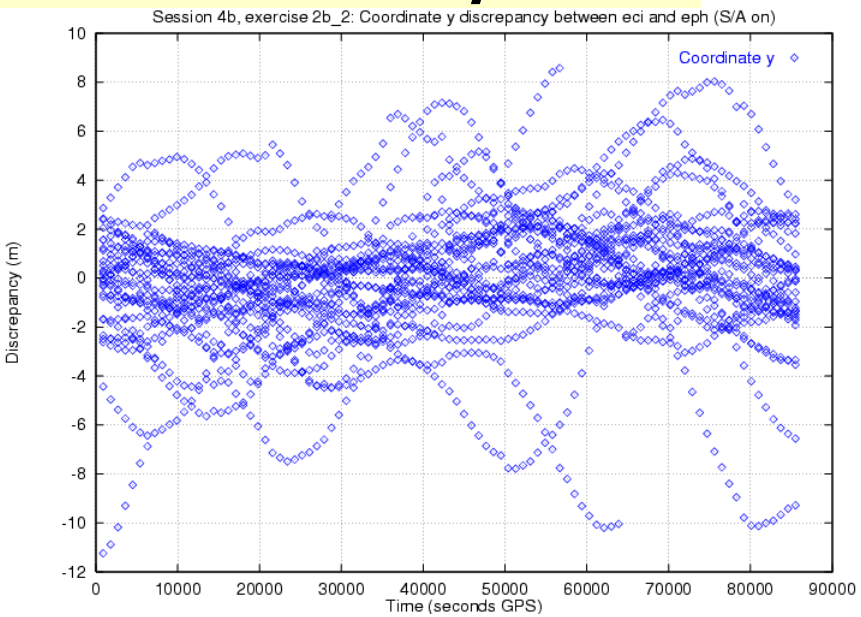
Plot the error of broadcast orbits and clocks and discuss the results.

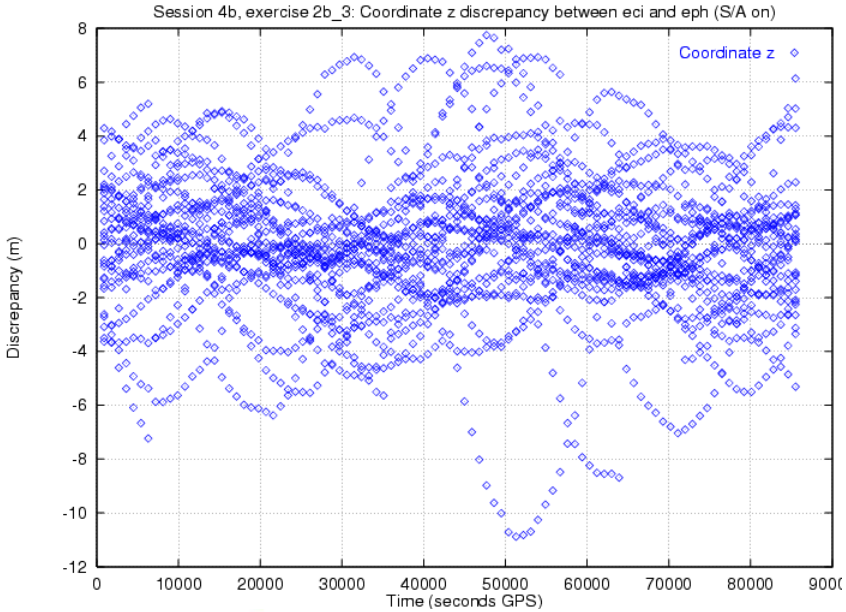
Solution:

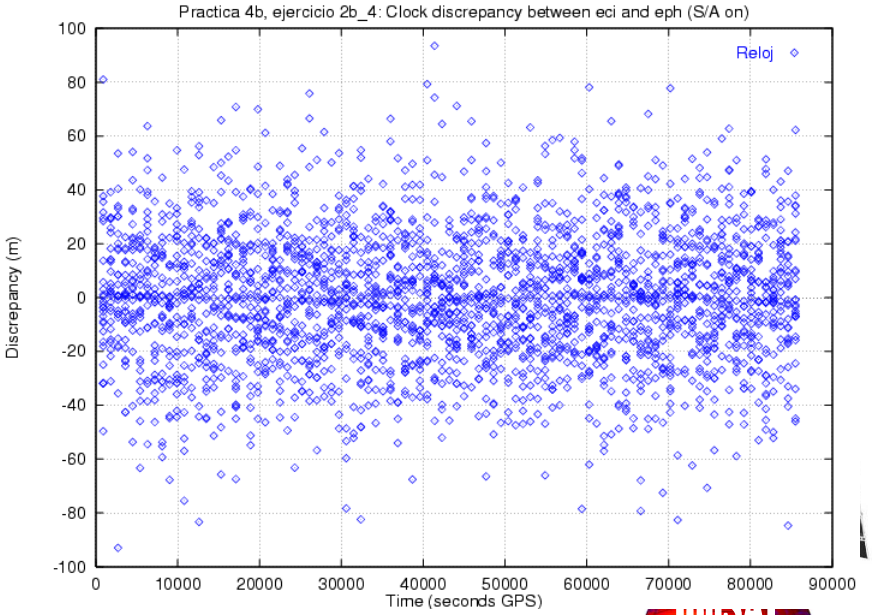
See the following plots

ERROR in coordinates and clock S/A=on









Exercise 5: Orbits and clocks accuracy (S/A=off)

The file "eph.off" contains satellite coordinates (x,y,z) and clocks, computed from the navigation message of GPS satellites for May 15th, 2000 (with S/A=off)

[the coordinates has been computed using the program orbit.f]

The file "sp3.off" contains precise coordinates and clocks of GPS satellites for May 15th, 2000

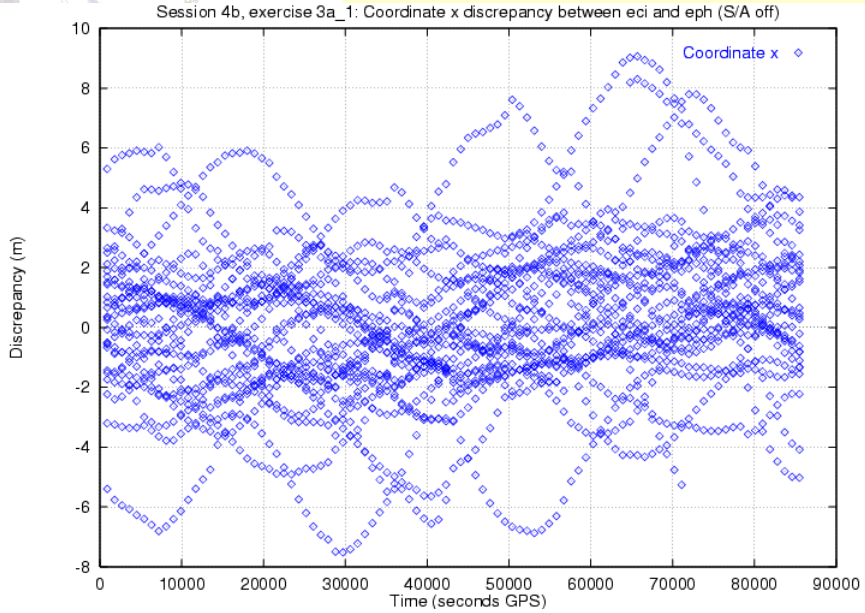
[Provided by the IGS server ftp://igscb.jpl.nasa.gov/igscb/product]

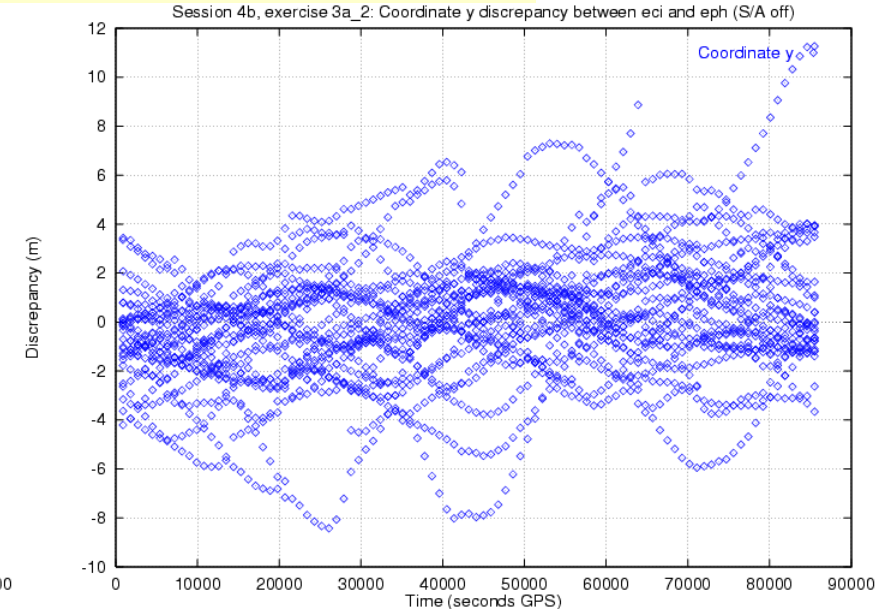
Plot the error of broadcast orbits and clocks and discuss the results.

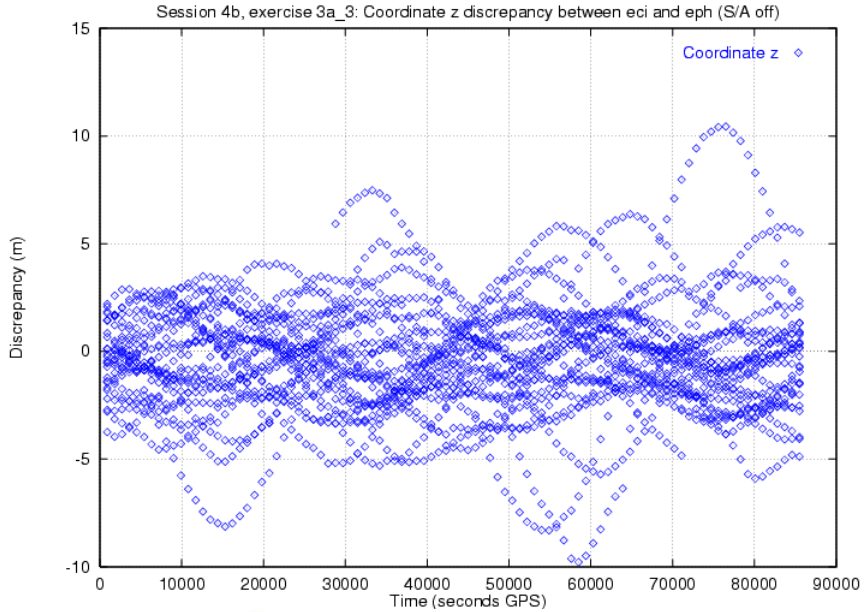
Solution:

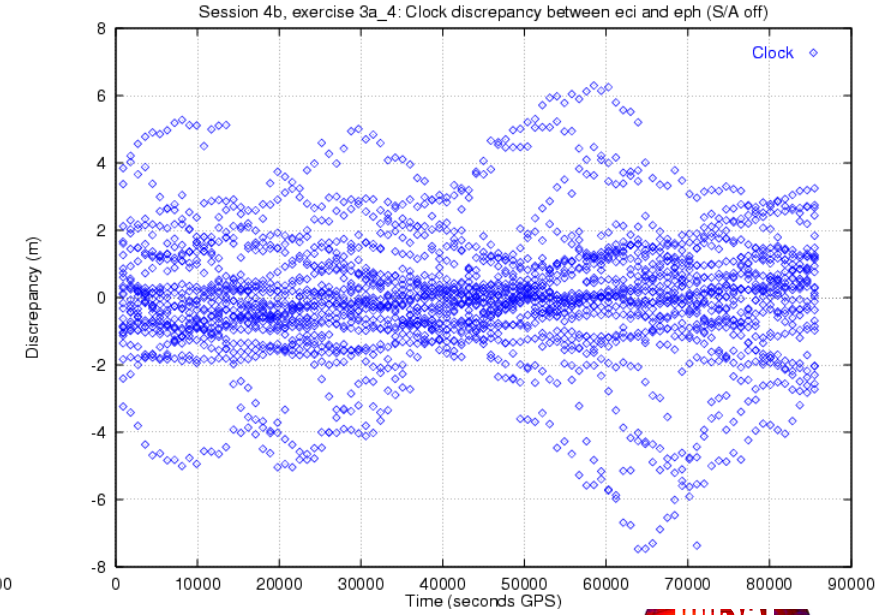
See the following plots.

ERROR in coordinates S/A=off



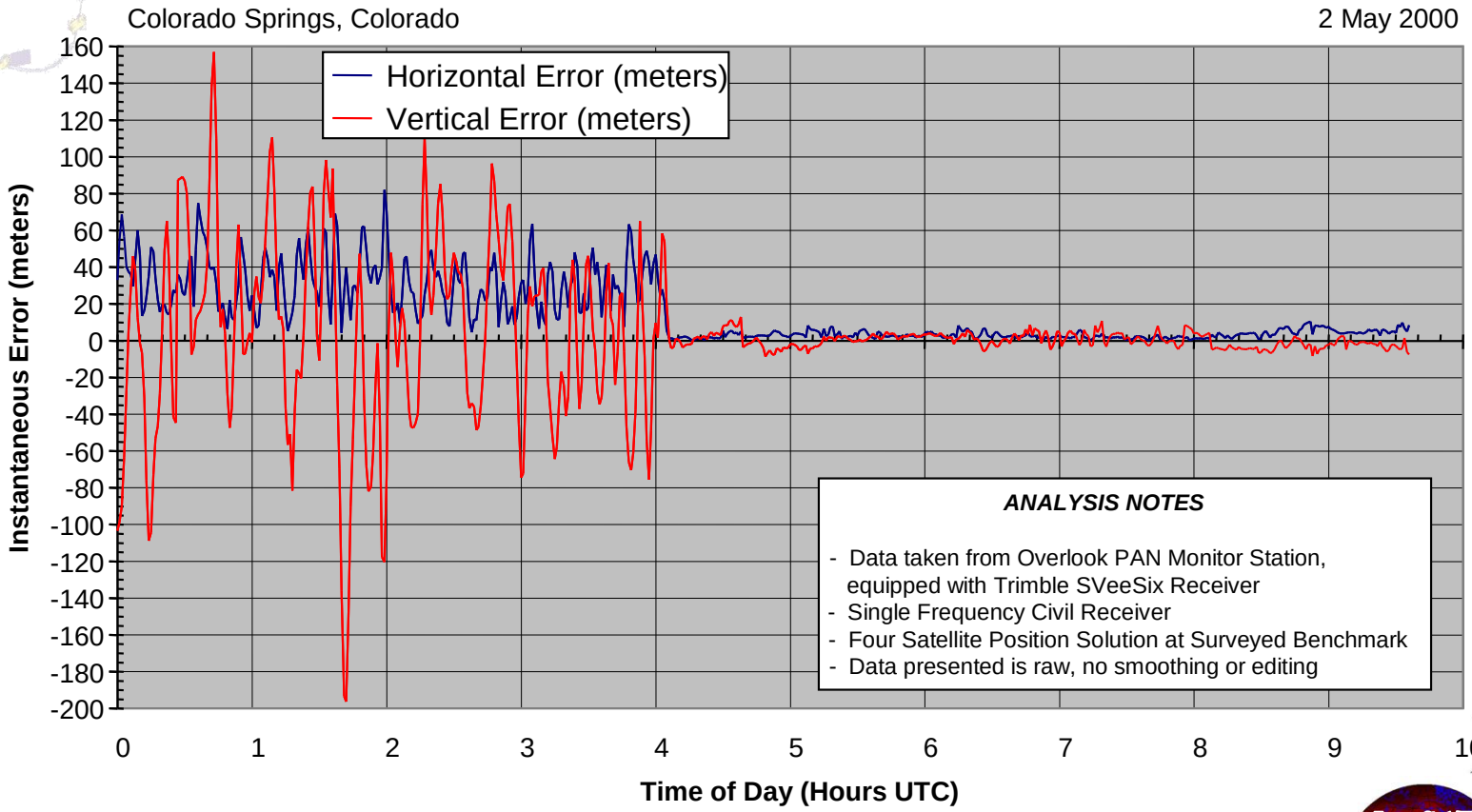






Selective Availability (S/A): Intentional degradation of satellite clocks and broadcast ephemeris. (from 25 March, 1990)

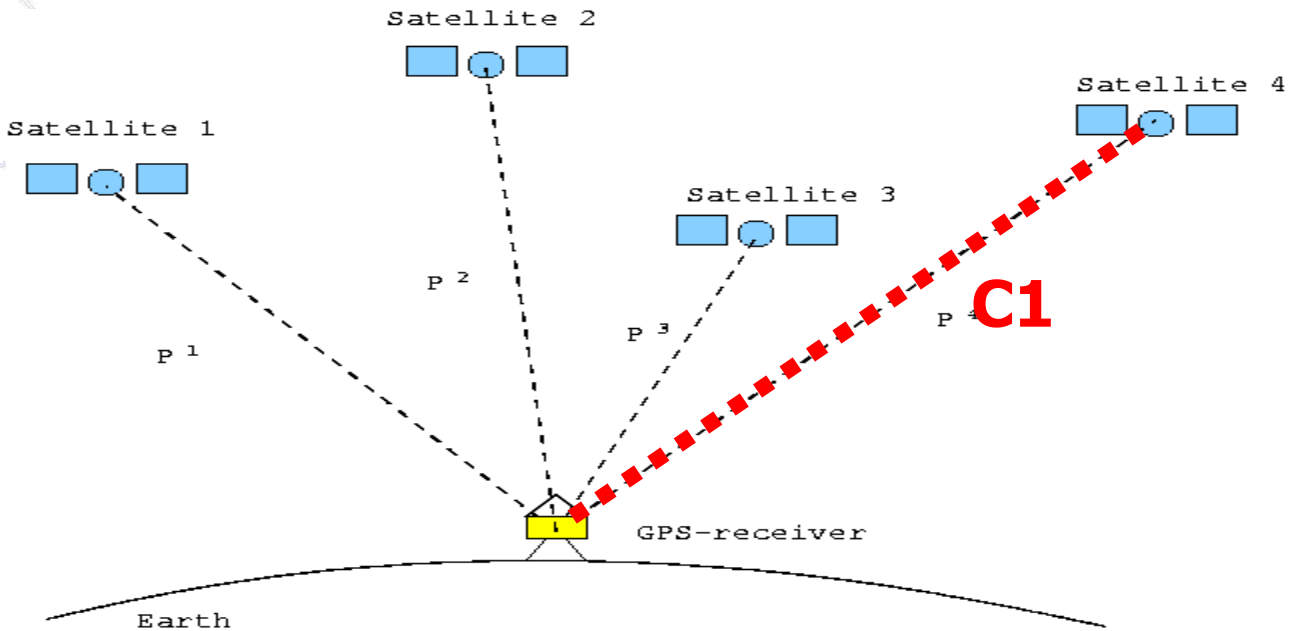
GPS Before and After S/A was switched off



Lesson 5

Model

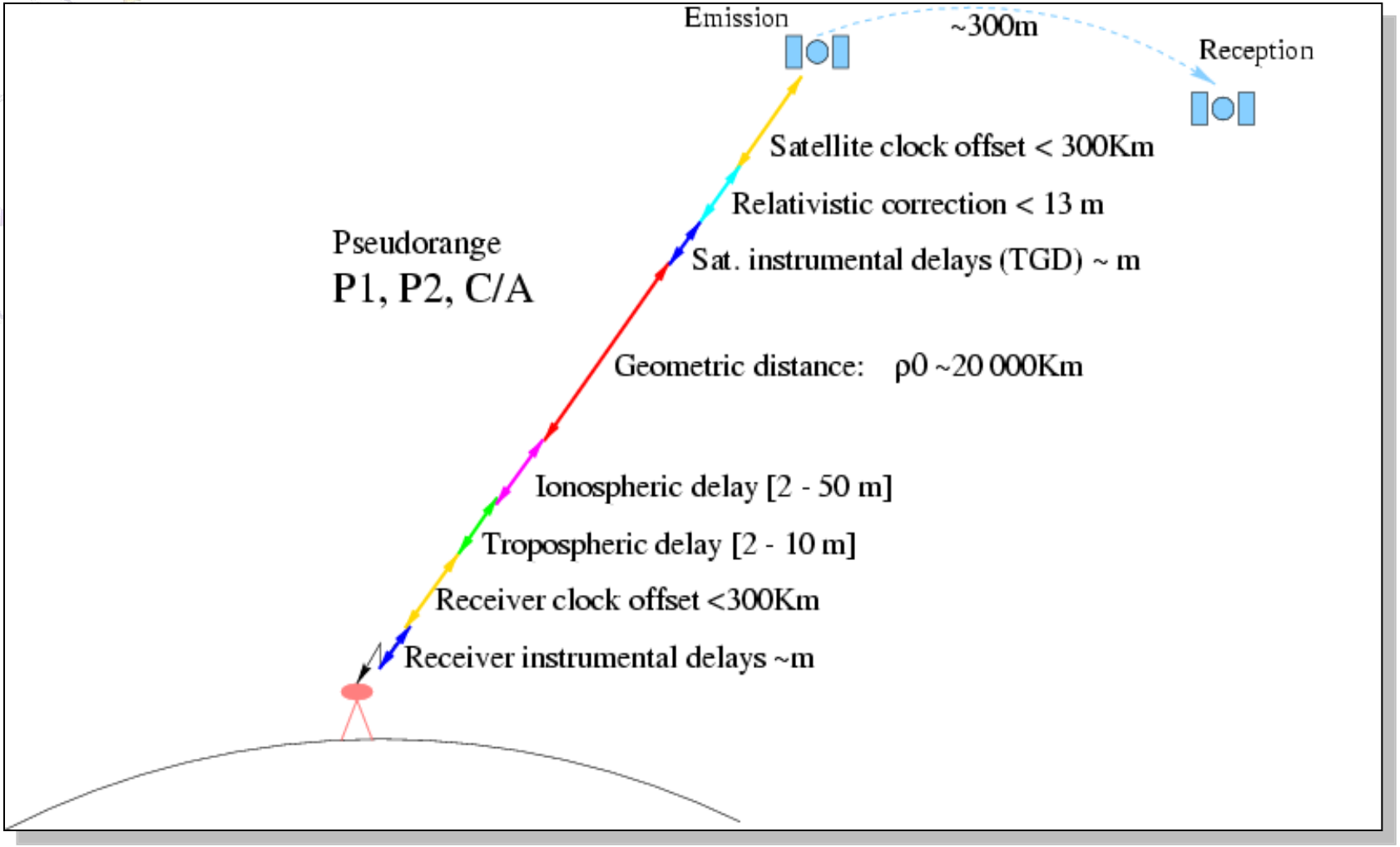
Pseudorange modeling (code)



The pseudorange modeling is based in the GPS Standard Positioning Service Signal Specification (GPS/SPS-SS).

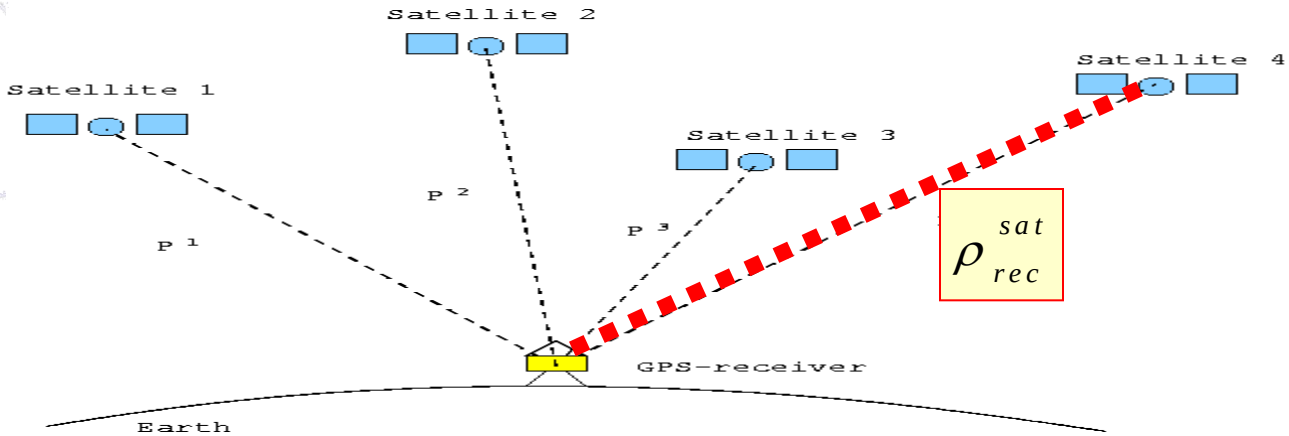
http://www.gps.gov/technical/ps/2008-SPS-performance-standard.pdf

$$C1_{1rec}^{sat} = \rho_{rec}^{sat} + c \cdot (dt_{rec} - dt^{sat}) + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + Ion_{1rec}^{sat} + K_{1rec} + K_{1}^{sat} + \varepsilon$$



$$C1_{rec}^{sat} = \rho_{rec}^{sat} + c \cdot (dt_{rec} - dt^{sat}) + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + Ion_{1rec}^{sat} + K_{1rec} + K_{1}^{sat} + \varepsilon$$

Geometric range



Euclidean distance between satellite coordinates at emission time and receiver coordinates at reception time.

$$\rho_{rec}^{sat} = \sqrt{\left(x^{sat} - x_{rec}\right)^2 + \left(y^{sat} - y_{rec}\right)^2 + \left(z^{sat} - z_{rec}\right)^2} =$$

Of course, receiver coordinates are not known (is the target of this problem). But ....

$$C1_{1rec}^{sat} = \boxed{\rho_{rec}^{sat}} + c \cdot (dt_{rec} - dt^{sat}) + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + Ion_{1rec}^{sat} + K_{1rec} + K_1^{sat} + \varepsilon$$

$$\rho_{rec}^{sat} = \sqrt{\left(x^{sat} - x_{rec}\right)^2 + \left(y^{sat} - y_{rec}\right)^2 + \left(z^{sat} - z_{rec}\right)^2}$$

Of course, receiver coordinates $(x_{rec}, y_{rec}, z_{rec})$ are not known (they are the target of this problem). But, we can always assume that an "approximate position $(x_{0_{rec}}, y_{0_{rec}}, z_{0_{rec}})$ is known" (it can be computed using the Bancroft's method –see next lesson--):

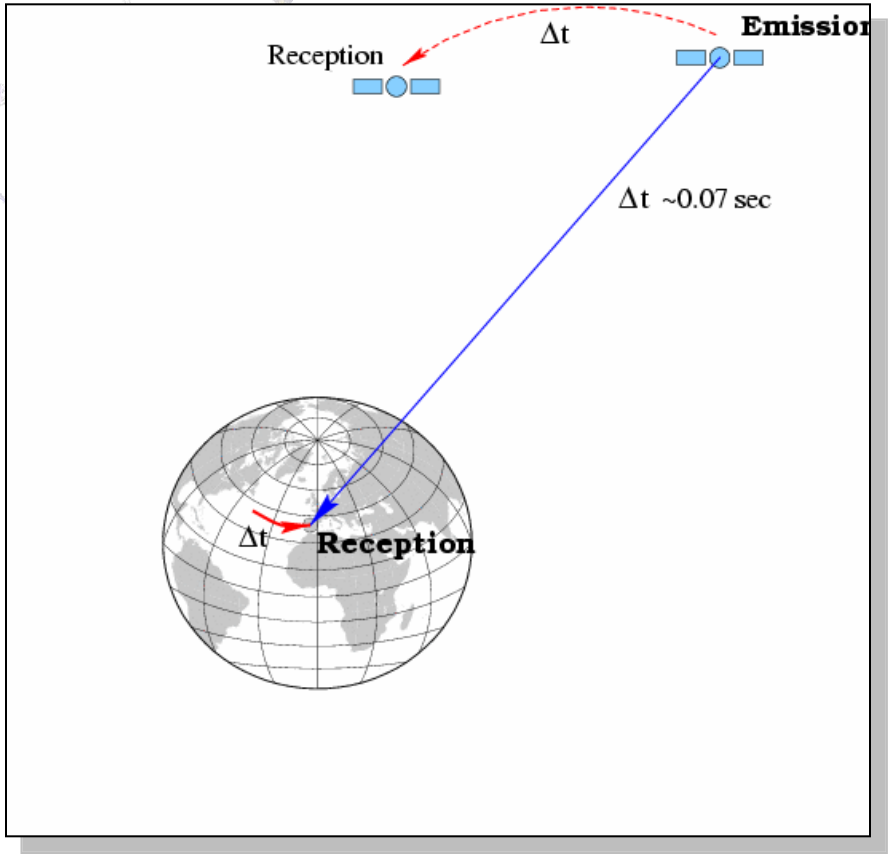
Thence, as it will be shown in next lesson, the navigation problem will consist on:

1.- To start from an approximate value for receiver position $(x_{0_{rec}}, y_{0_{rec}}, z_{0_{rec}})$ (it can be computed with Bancroft's method)

2.- With the pseudorange measurements and the navigation equations, compute the correction $(dx_{rec}, dy_{rec}, dz_{rec})$ to have a more precise position of the receiver.

$$(x_{rec}, y_{rec}, z_{rec}) = (x_{0_{rec}}, y_{0_{rec}}, z_{0_{rec}}) + (dx_{rec}, dy_{rec}, dz_{rec})$$

Satellite coordinates **at emission time** (rec2ems.f)

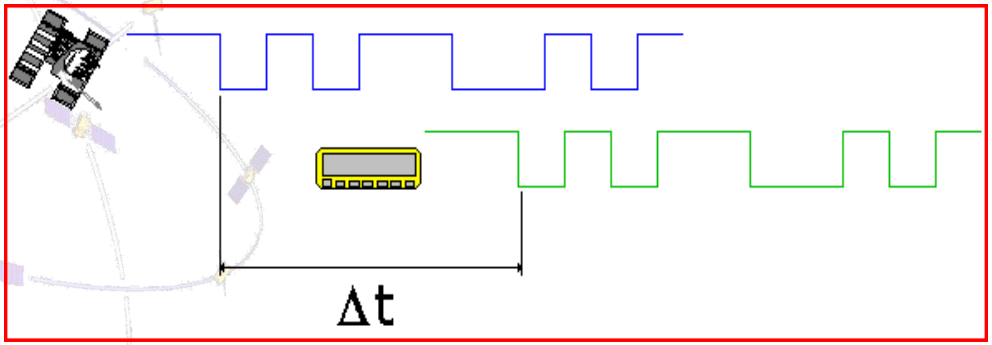


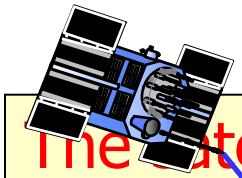
- The GPS signal travels from satellite coordinates at emission time (t^{ems}) to receiver coordinates at reception time (t_{rec}).
- The satellite can move several hundreds of meters from t^{ems} to t_{rec}.

- The receiver time-tags are given at reception time and in the receiver clock time.

An algorithm is needed to compute the satellite coordinates at **emission time** "in the GPS system time" from reception time in the receiver time tags.

Emission time in the GPS system time *T[ems]*





The satellite offset clock dt^S can be computed from the navigation message

C1

$$C1 = c\,\Delta t = c\,[t_{rec}(T_R) - t^{ems}(T^S)]$$

As it is known, the pseudorange measurements link the "emission time (t^{ems})" in satellite clock (T^S) with reception time (t_{rec}) in receiver clock (T_R) (receiver time tags).

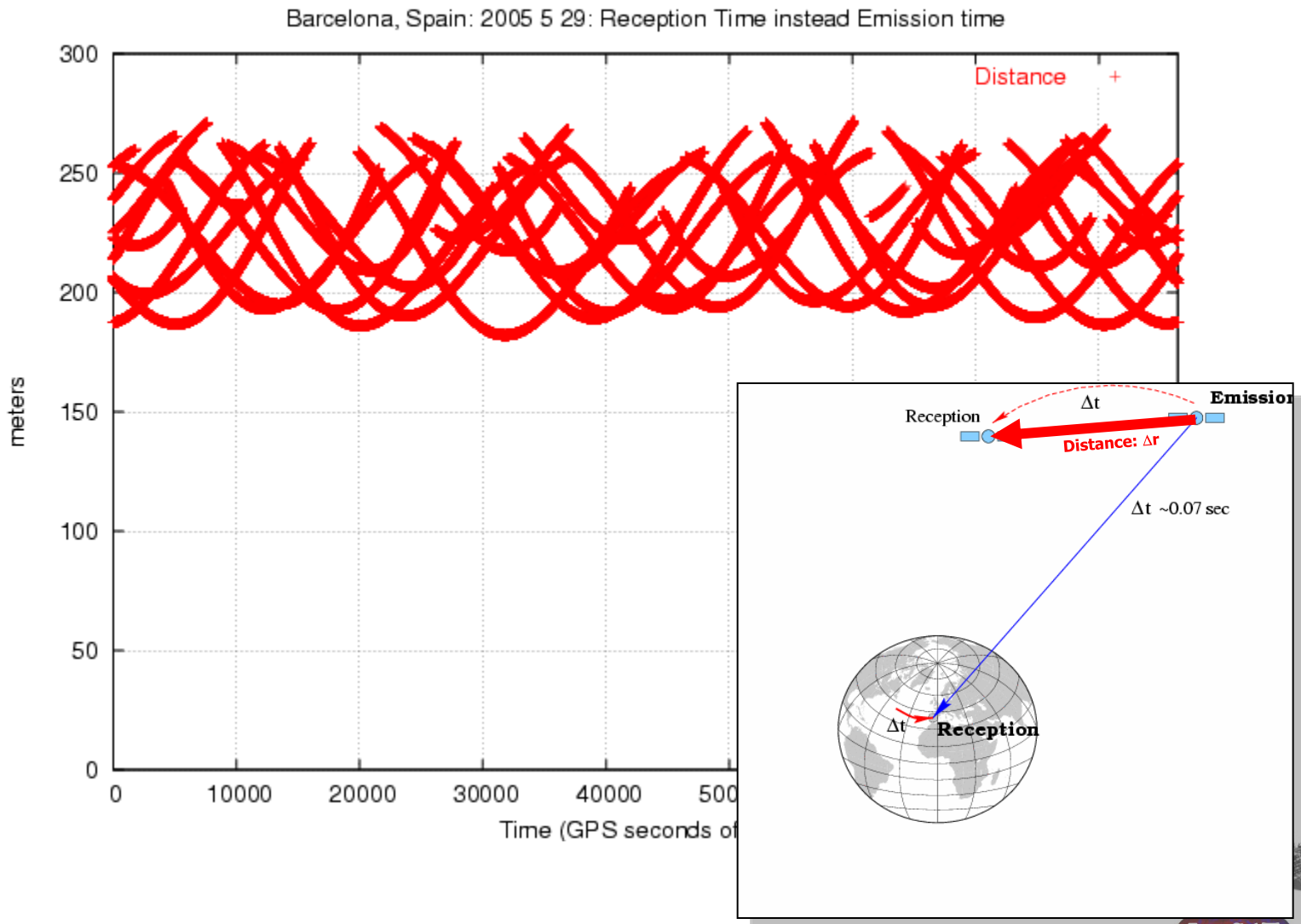
Thence, the emission time in the satellite clock is:

$$t^{ems}(T^S) = t_{rec}(T_R) - C1/c$$

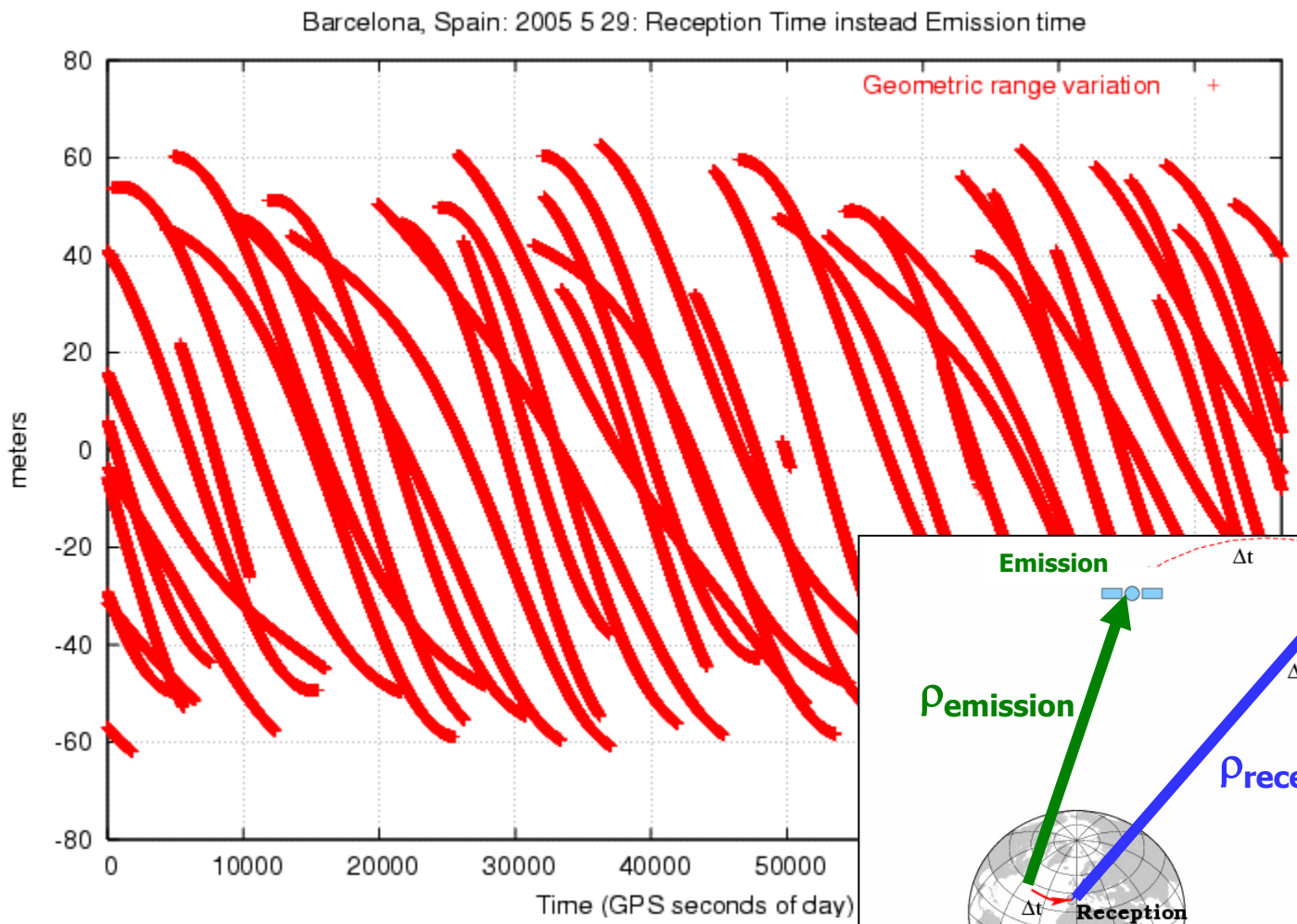
Finally, since $dt^S = t^S - T$ is the time offset between satellite clock (t^S) and **GPS system time *(T)*,** thence:

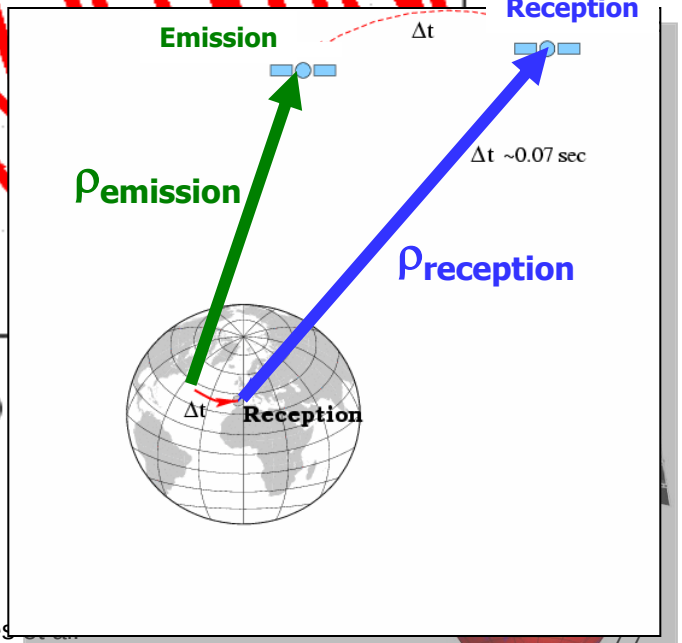
$$T[ems] = t^{ems}(T^S) - dt^S = t_{rec}(T_R) - (C1/c + dt^S)$$

Distance: Δr

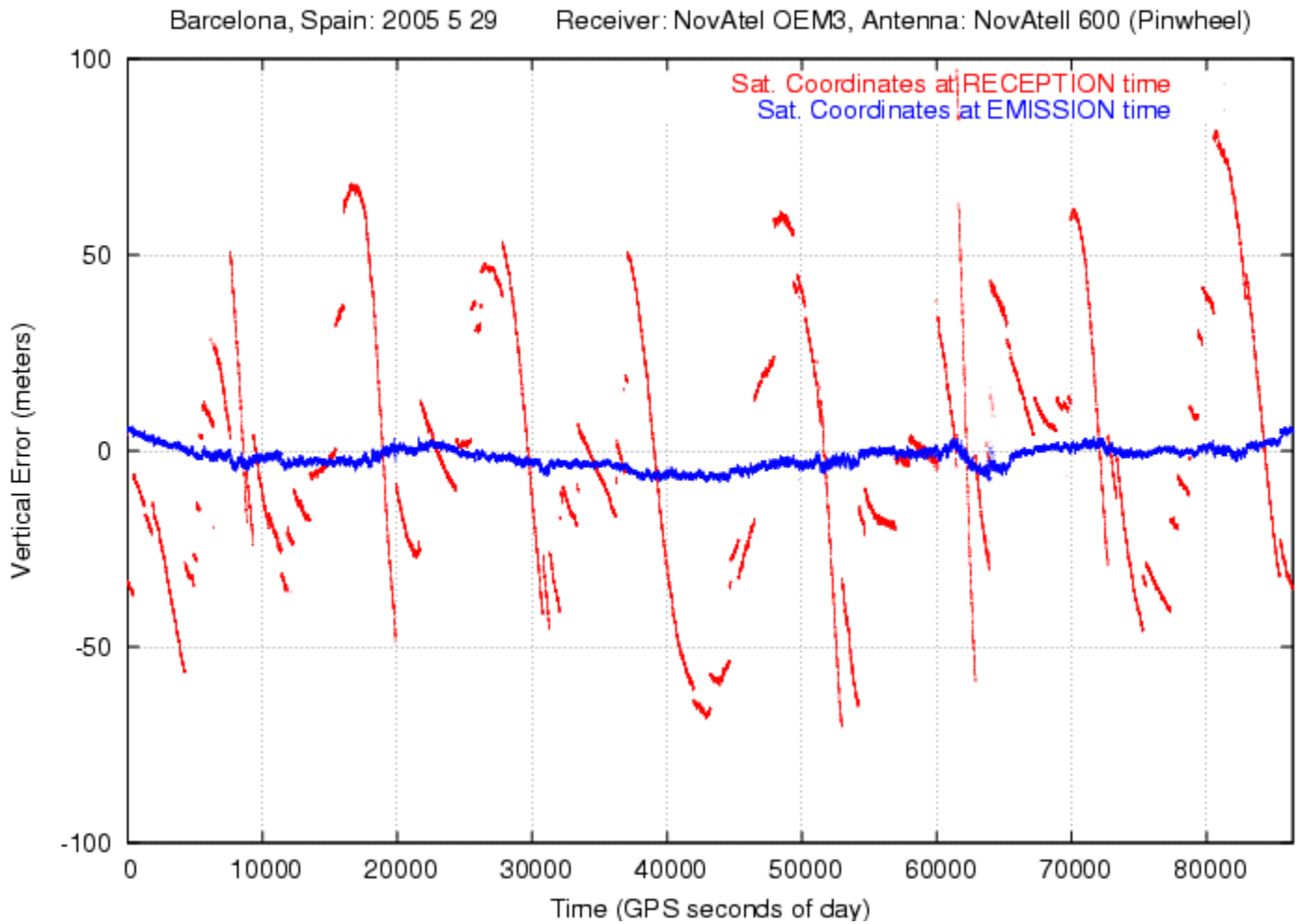

Barcelona, Spain: 2005 5 29: Reception Time instead Emission time
Distance
meters
300
250
200
150
100
50
0
0
10000
20000
30000
40000
500
Time (GPS seconds of
Reception
Δt
Emission
Distance: Δr
Δt ~0.07 sec
Δt
Reception

Variation in range: $\Delta\rho = \rho_{emission} - \rho_{reception}$





Vertical error comparison



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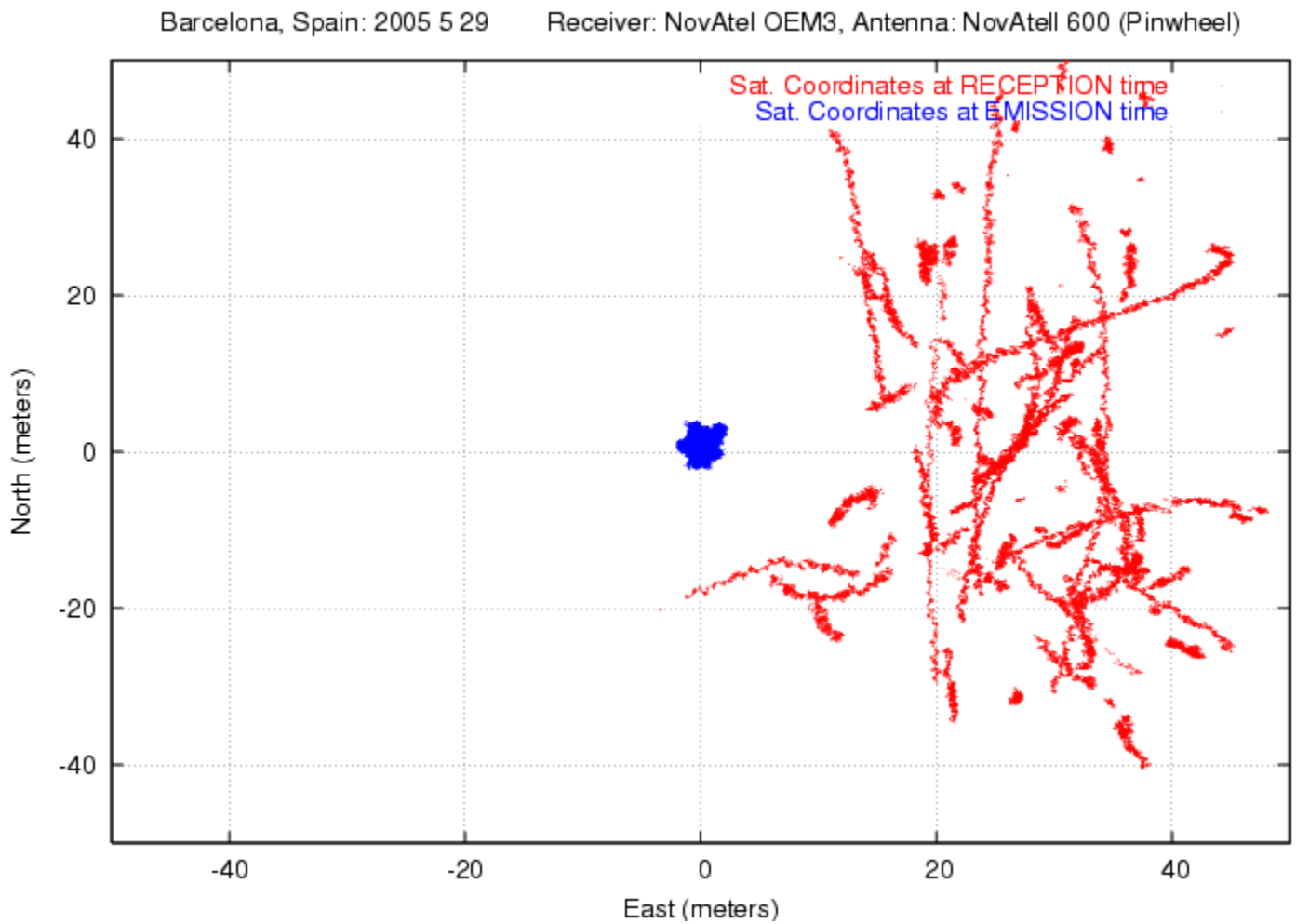
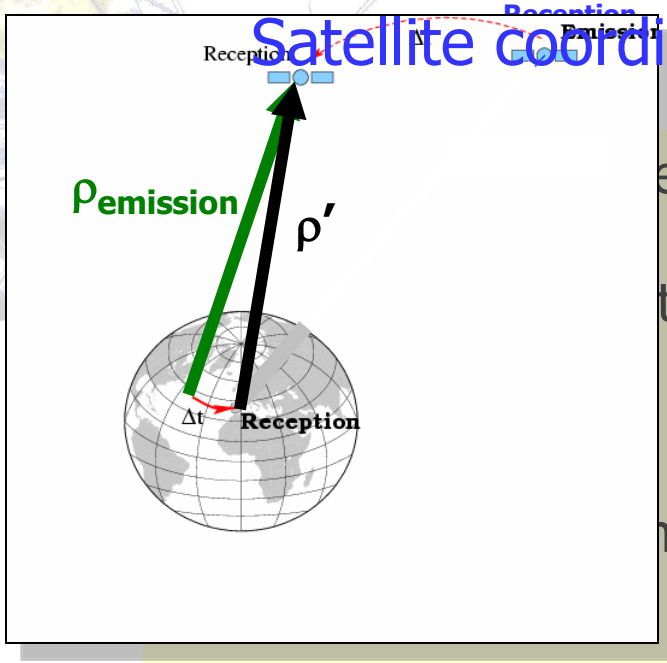


Satellite coordinates computation **at emission time**



ed by the GPS/SPS-SS (**orbit.f**) supplies satellite
Earth-Fixed reference frame. To compute the
tes

See **rec2ems.f**

the following algorithm can be applied:

e-tags, compute emission time in GPS system

$$T[ems] = t_{rec}(T_R) - (C1/c + \boldsymbol{dt^s})$$

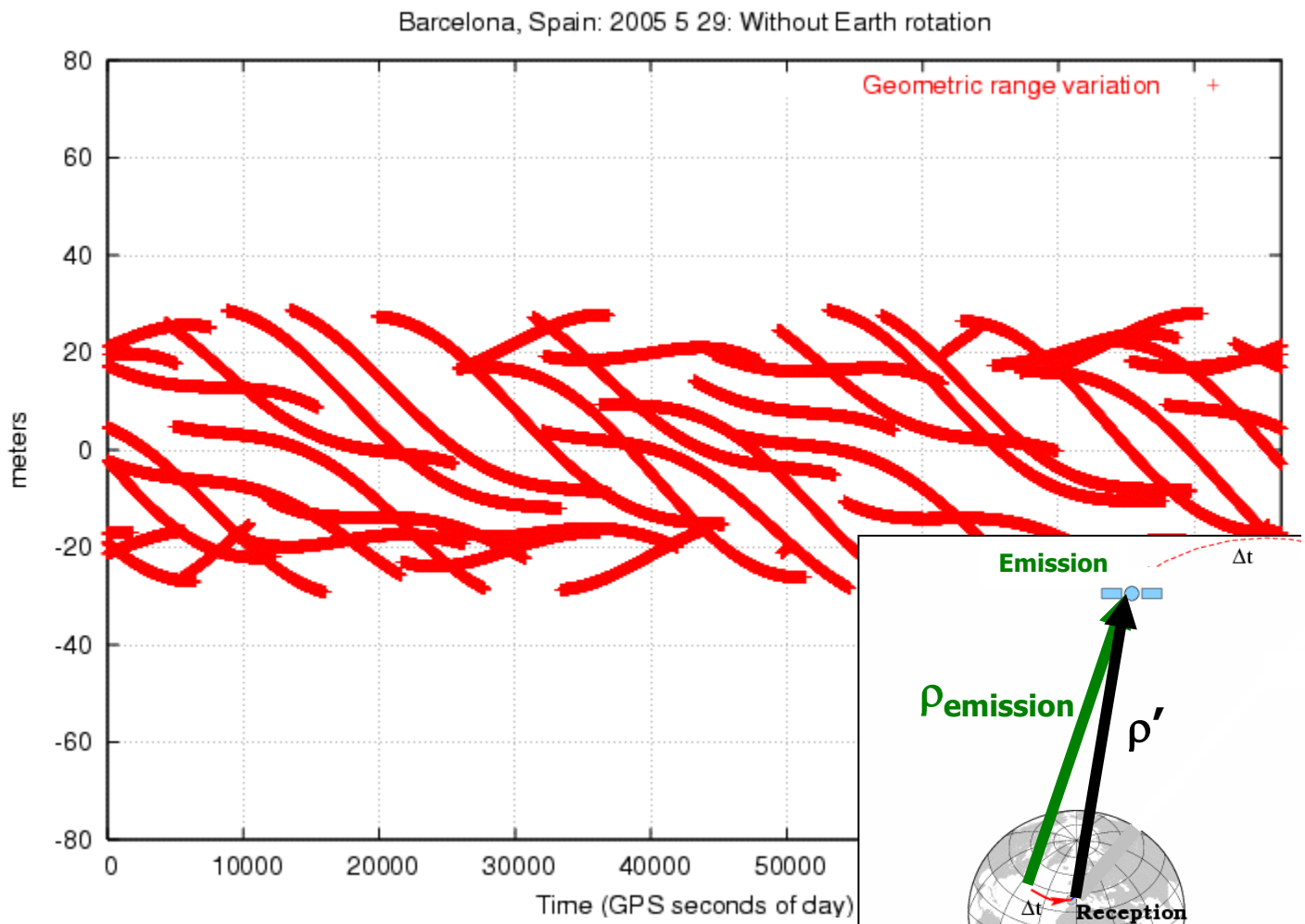
2. Compute satellite coordinates at emission time *T[ems]*

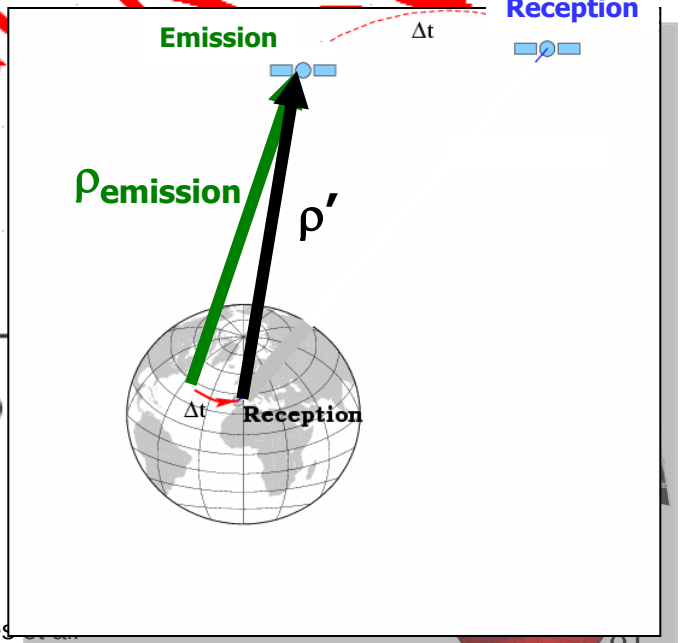
$$T[ems] \rightarrow \textbf{[orbit]} \rightarrow (X^{sat}, Y^{sat}, Z^{sat})_{CTS[emission]}$$

3. Account for Earth rotation during traveling time from emission to reception "$\boldsymbol{\Delta t}$" *(CTS reference system at reception time is used to build the navigation equations).*

$$(X^{sat}, Y^{sat}, Z^{sat})_{CTS[reception]} = R_3(\omega_E \boldsymbol{\Delta t}).(X^{sat}, Y^{sat}, Z^{sat})_{CTS[emission]}$$

Variation in range: $\Delta\rho = \rho' - \rho_{emission}$





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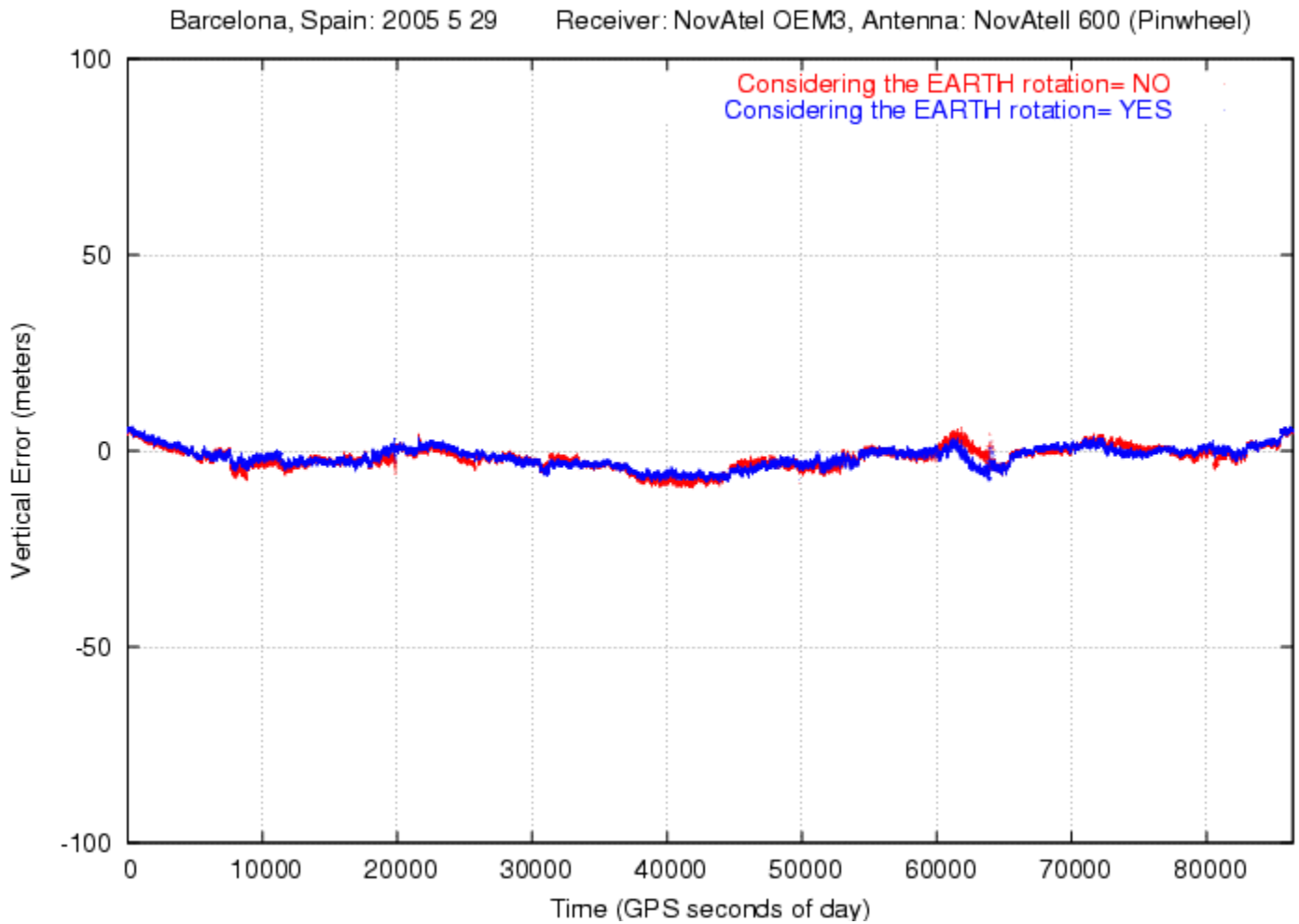

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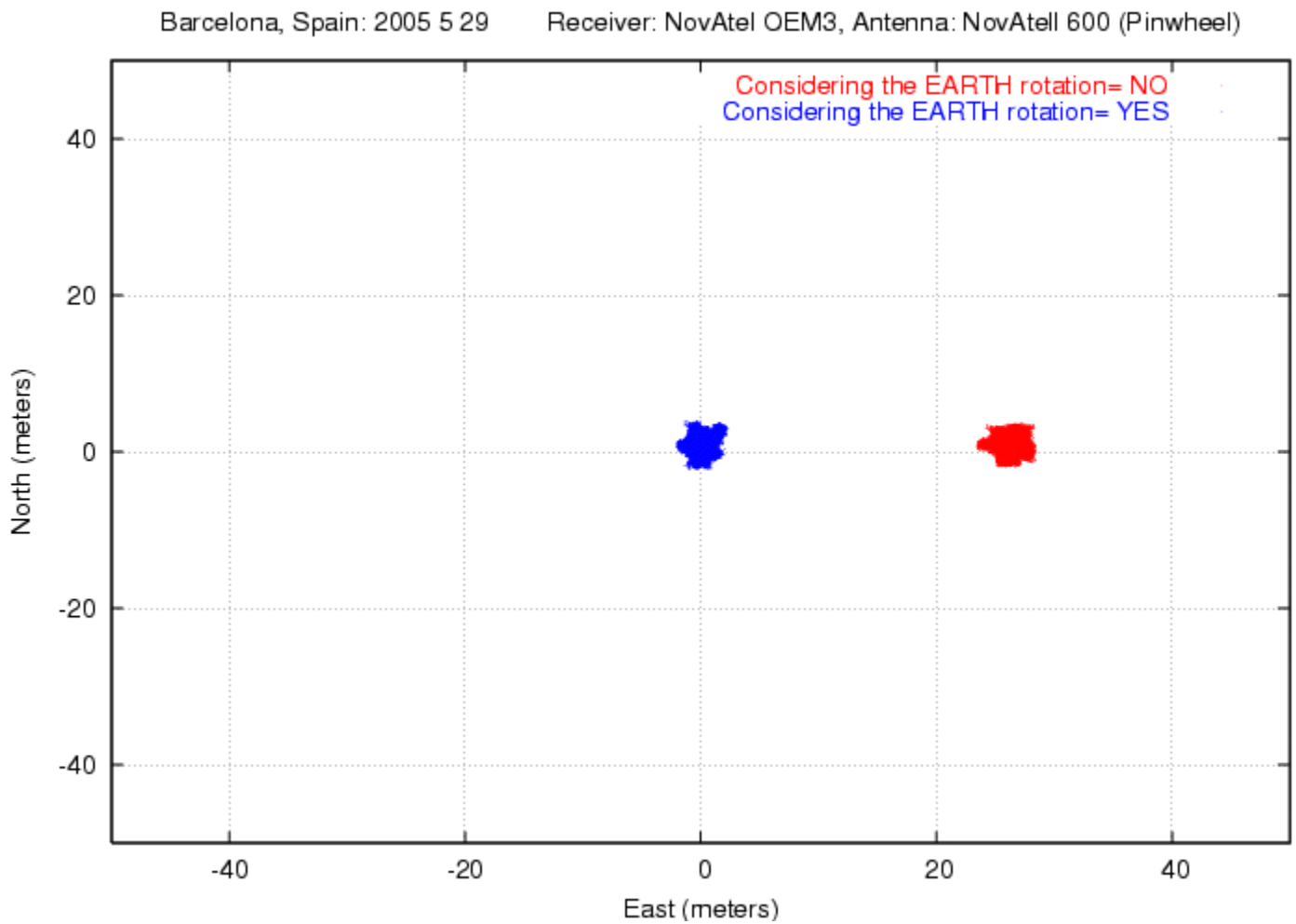
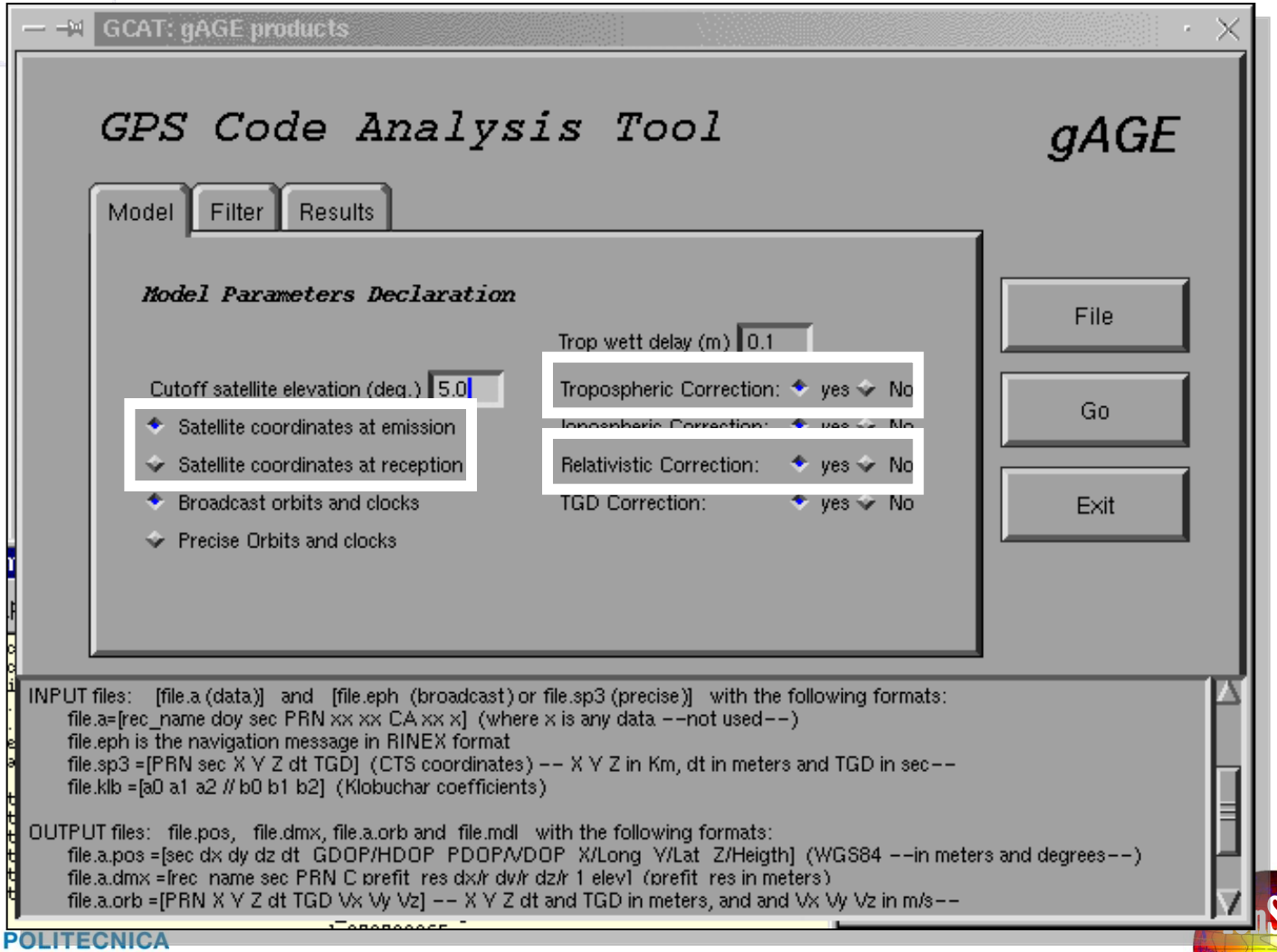
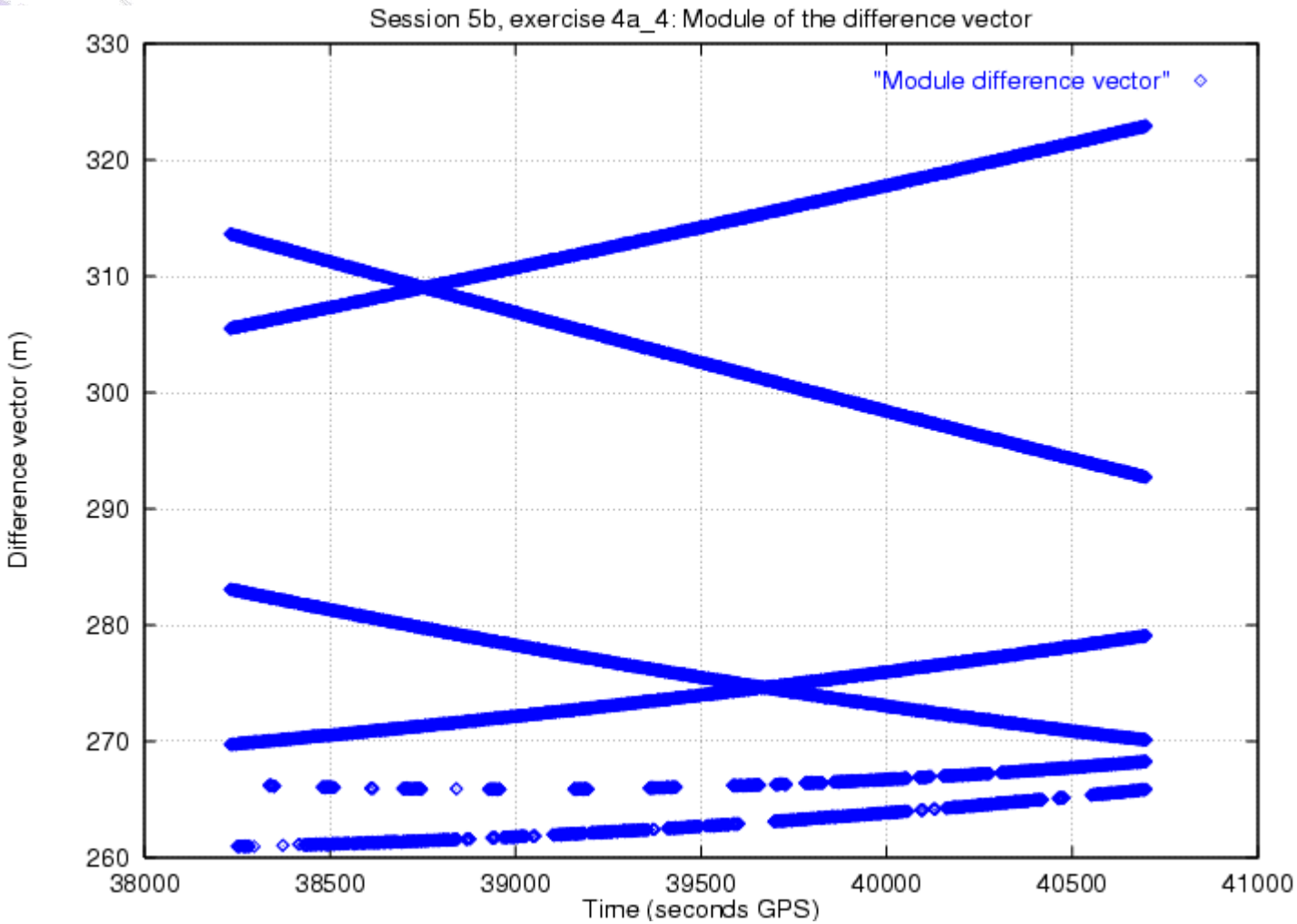


Exercise 6: Using the GCAT program, compute satellite coordinates at emission time and at reception time. Plot the module of the vector difference between both positions (use October 13th, 1998 data files).




Session 5b, exercise 4a_4: Module of the difference vector
"Module difference vector"
Difference vector (m)
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320
310
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290
280
270
260
38000
38500
39000
39500
40000
40500
41000
Time (seconds GPS)

Satellite and receiver clock offsets

- They are time-offsets between satellite/receiver time and GPS system time (provided by the ground control segment):

  - The receiver clock offset (dt_{rec}) is estimated together with receiver coordinates.

  - Satellite clock offset (dt^{sat}) may be computed from navigation message:

$$dt^{sat} = a_0 + a_1(t-t_0) + a_2(t-t_0)^2$$

$$C1_{1rec}^{sat} = \rho_{rec}^{sat} + c \cdot \boxed{(dt_{rec} - dt^{sat})} + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + Ion_{1rec}^{sat} + K_{1rec} + K_1^{sat} + \varepsilon$$

$$dt^{sat} = a_0 + a_1(t - t_0) + a_2(t - t_0)^2$$

t0

YY MM DD H M S

a0

a1

a2

PRN

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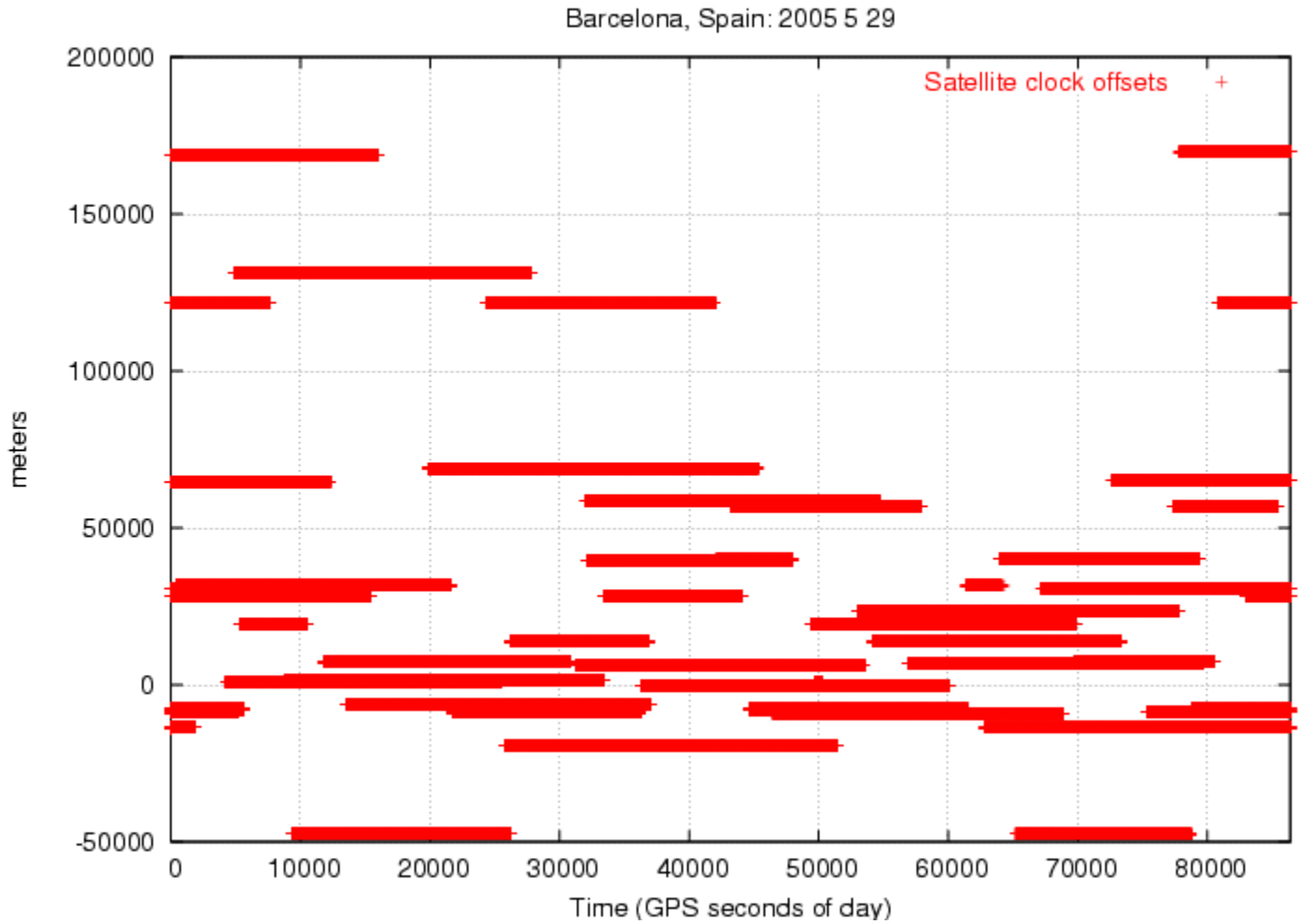
Range variation: satellite clocks



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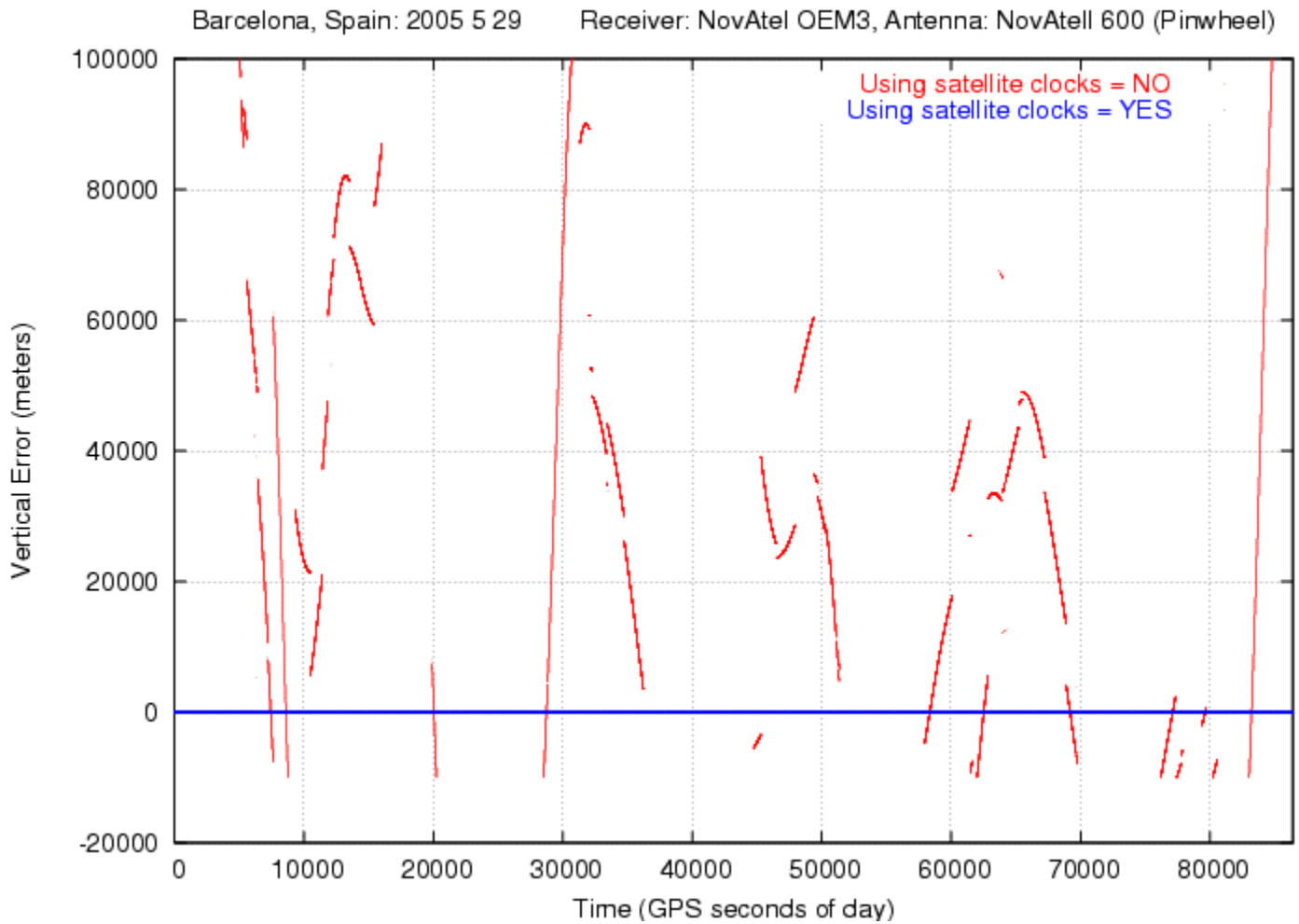

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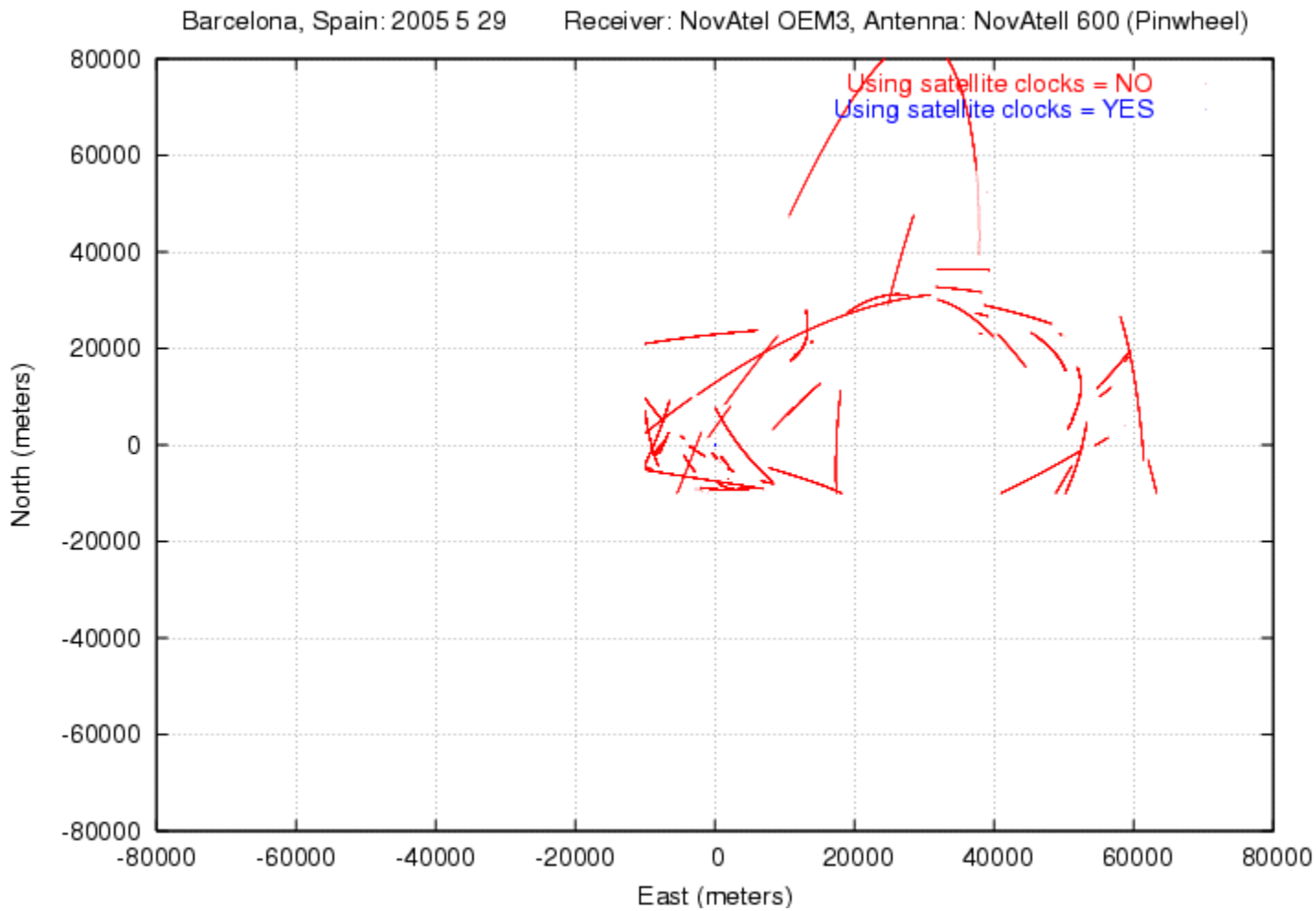


Relativistic correction (rel_i^j)

- **A constant component depending only on nominal value of satellite's orbit major semi-axis, being corrected modifying satellite's clock oscillator frequency*:**

$$\frac{f_0' - f_0}{f_0} = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2 + \frac{\Delta U}{c^2} \square -4.464 \cdot 10^{-10}$$

- **A periodic component due to orbit eccentricity (to be corrected by user receiver):**

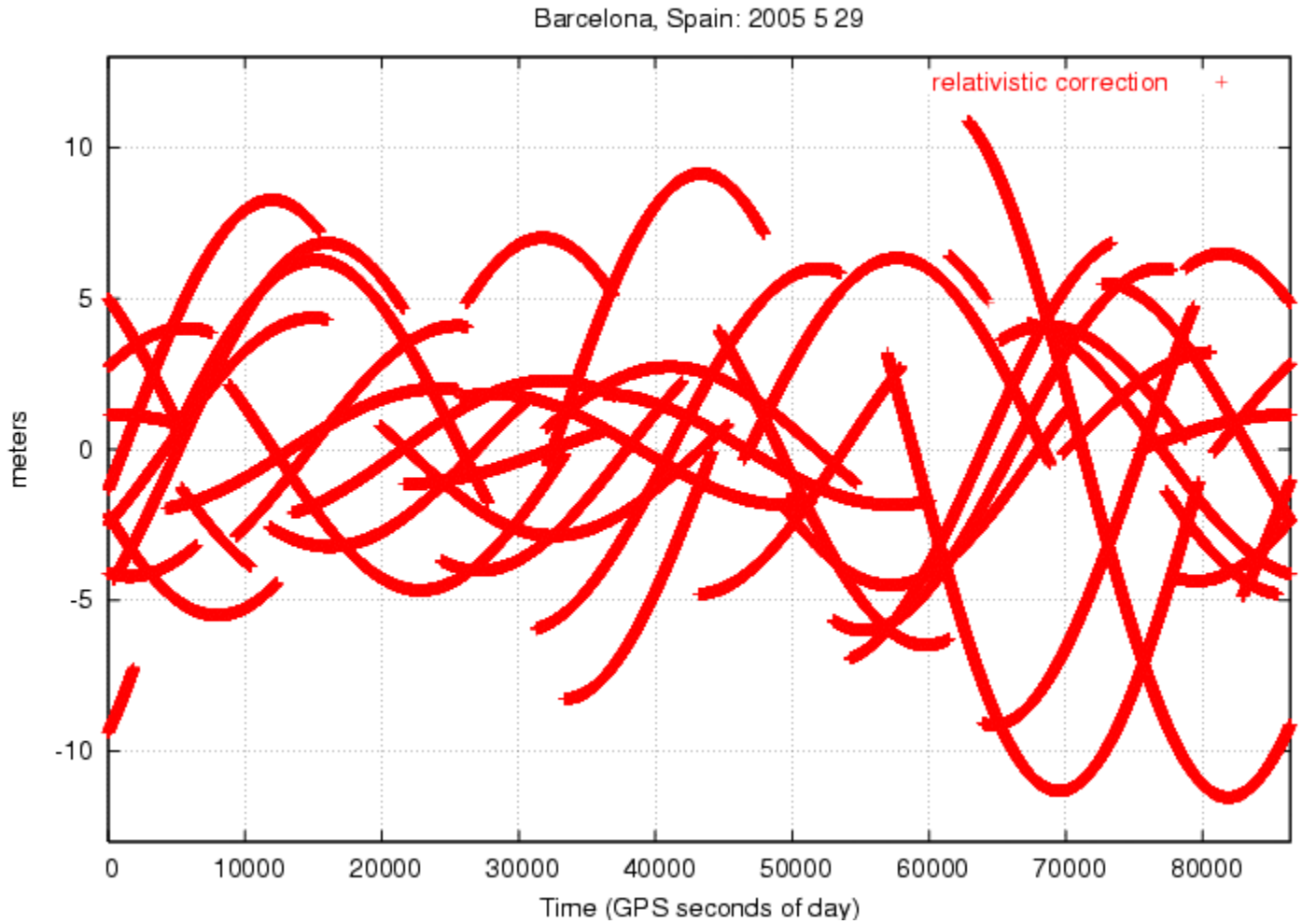
$$rel = 2\frac{\sqrt{\mu a}}{c} e \sin(E) = 2\frac{\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{c} (meters)$$

Being μ=*3.986005 10^{14} (m^3/s^2)* universal gravity constant, *c =299792458 (m/s)* light speed in vacuum, *a* is orbit's major semi-axis, *e* is its eccentricity, *E* is satellite's eccentric anomaly, and *r* and *v* are satellite's geocentric position and speed in an inertial system.

***being f_0 = 10.23 MHz, we have $\Delta f = 4.464\ 10^{-10}\ f_0 = 4.57\ 10^{-3}$ Hz**

so satellite should use *f'o=10.22999999543 MHz*.

Range variation: relativistic correction



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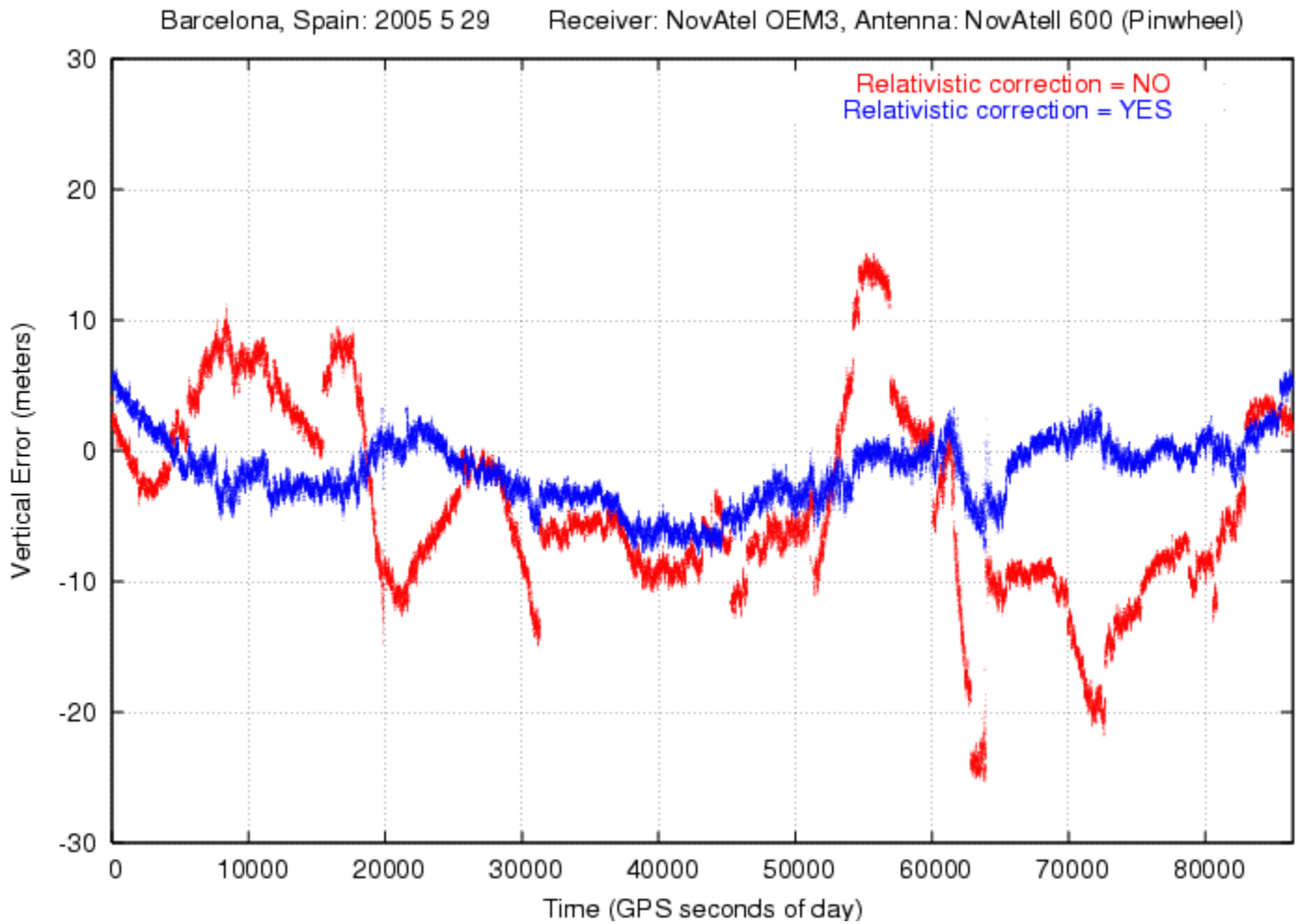

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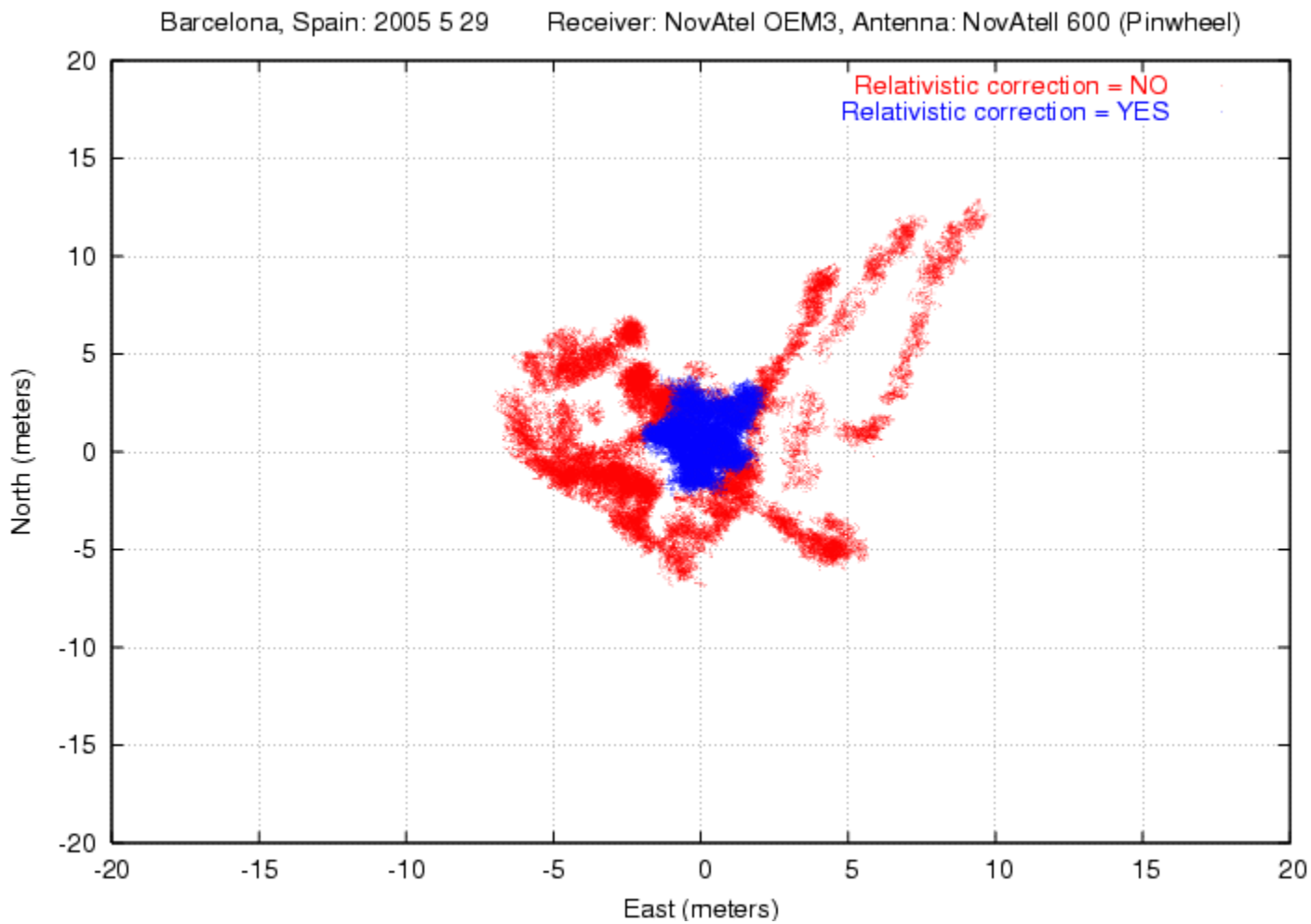
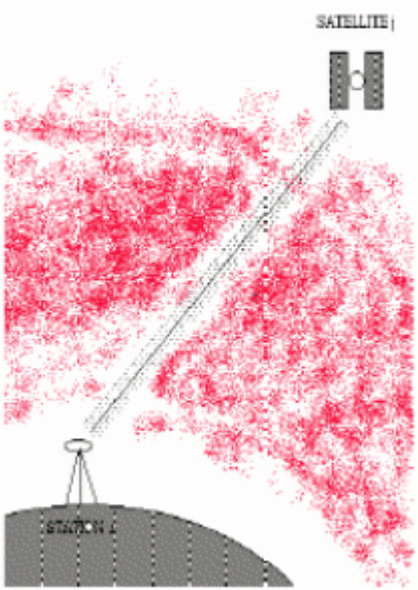


Ionospheric Delay αI_i^j

As a first approach, ionospheric delay depends on frequency as given by:

$$\delta_{ion} = \frac{40.3}{f^2} I$$



Where I is number of electrons per area unit in the direction of observation, or STEC (*Slant Total Electron Content*)

$$I = \int N_e \, ds$$

- For two-frequency receivers, it may be cancelled (99.9%) using ionosphere-free combination

$$LC = \frac{f_1^2 L1 - f_2^2 L2}{f_1^2 - f_2^2}$$

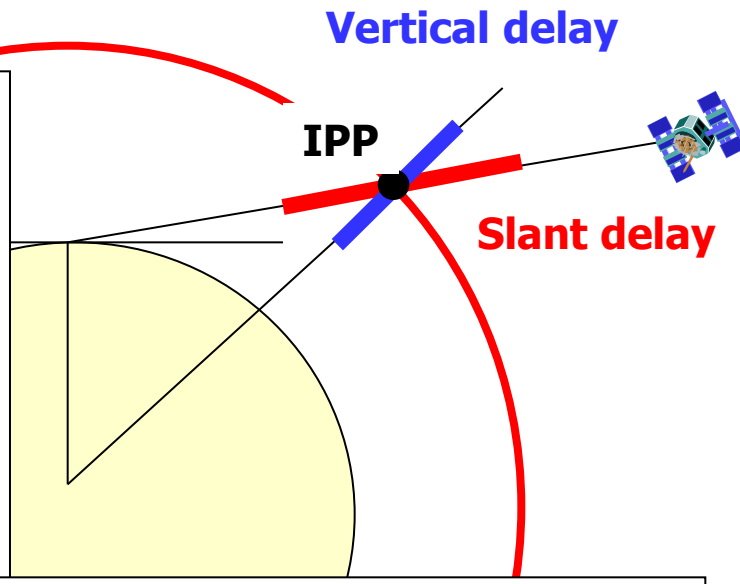
- For one-frequency receivers, it may be corrected (about 60%) using Klobuchar model (defined in GPS/SPS-SS), whose parameters are sent in navigation message. (See program klob.f)

$$C1_{1rec}^{sat} = \rho_{rec}^{sat} + c \cdot (dt_{rec} - dt^{sat}) + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + \boxed{Ion_{1rec}^{sat}} + K_{1rec} + K_1^{sat} + \varepsilon$$

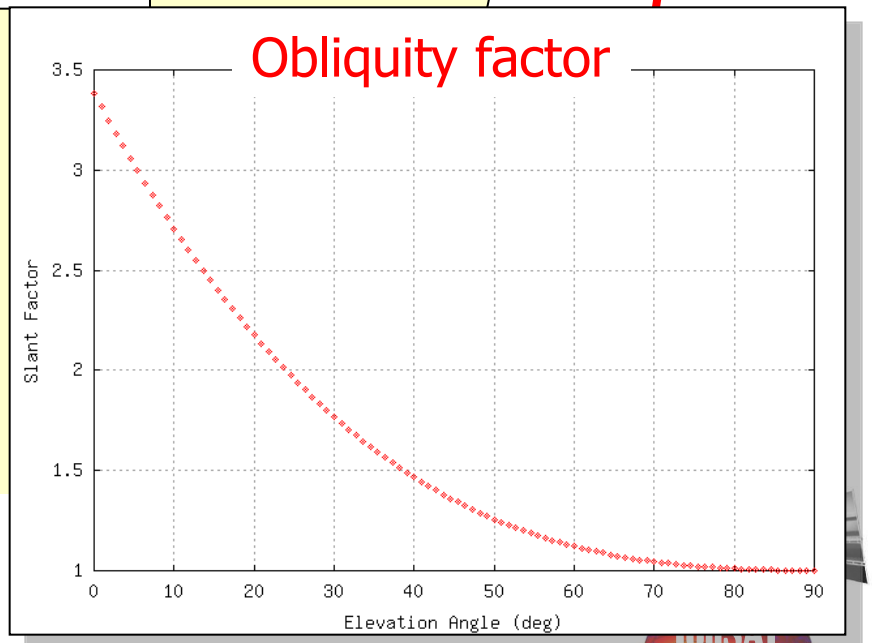
Klobuchar model (klob.f)

It was designed to minimize user computational complexity.

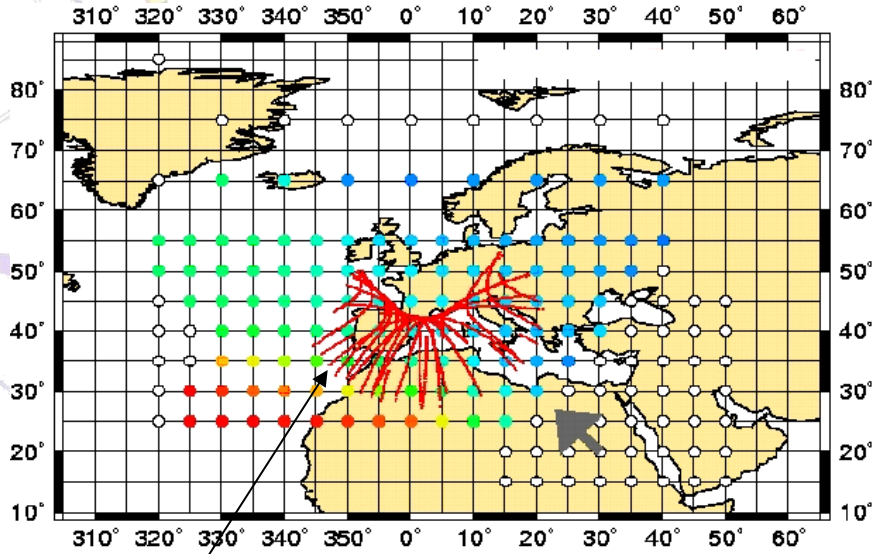
- Minimum user computer storage
- Minimum number of coefficients transmitted on satellite-user link
- At least 50% overall RMS ionospheric error reduction worldwide.



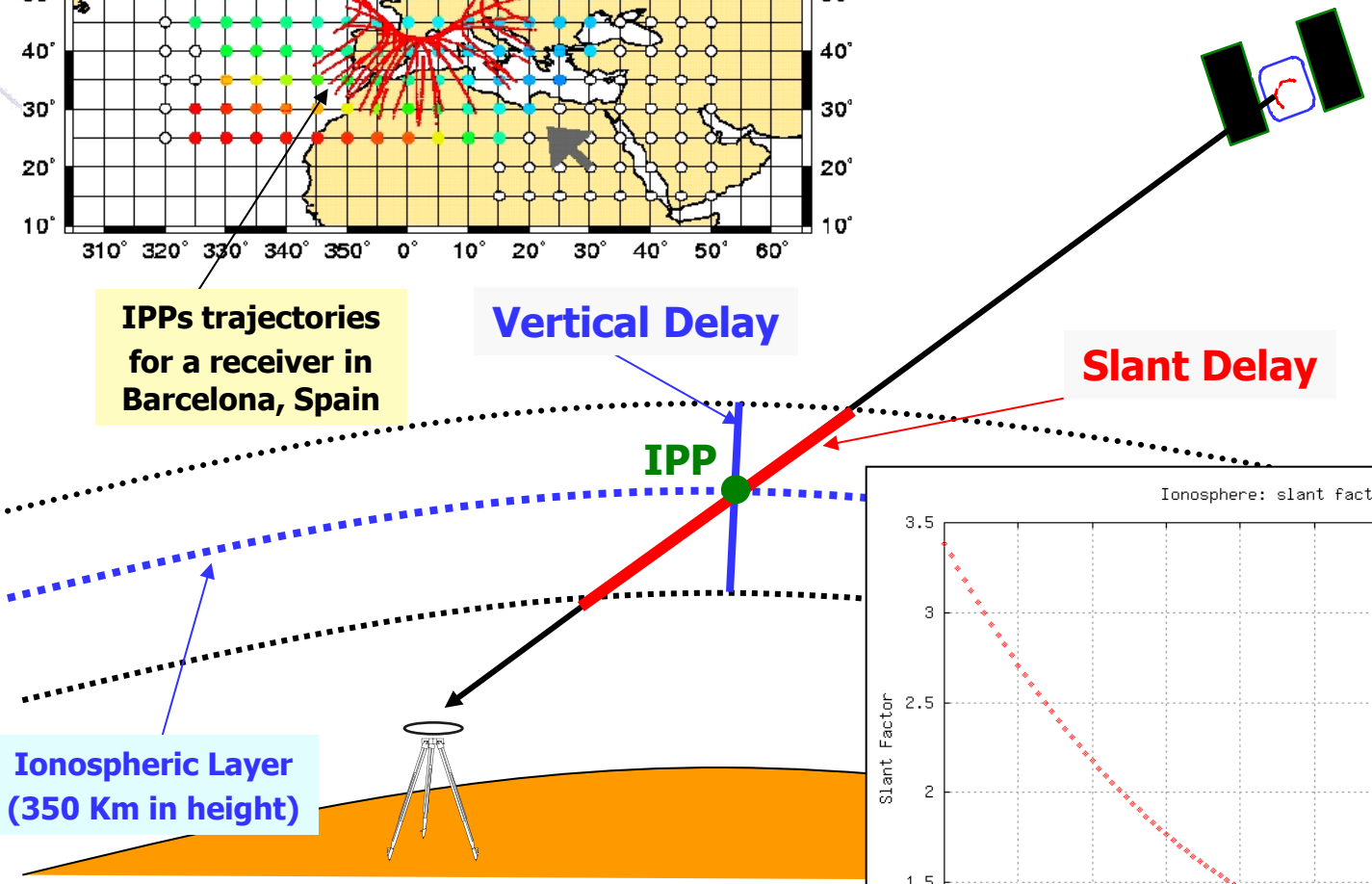
- It is assumed that the electron content is concentrated in a thin layer at 350 Km in height.
- The slant delay is computed from the vertical delay at the ionospheric Pierce Point (IPP), multiplying by the obliquity factor.

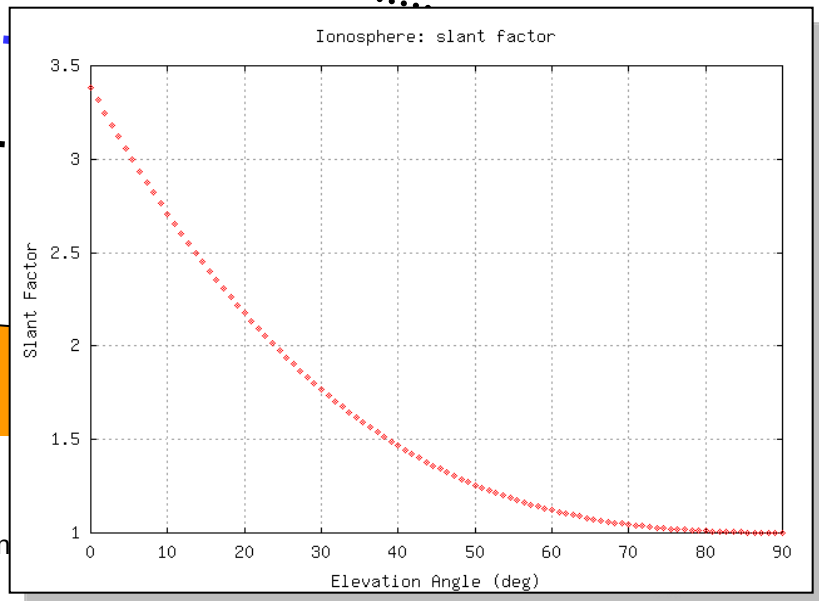


IONOSPHERIC PIERCE POINTS (IPP)

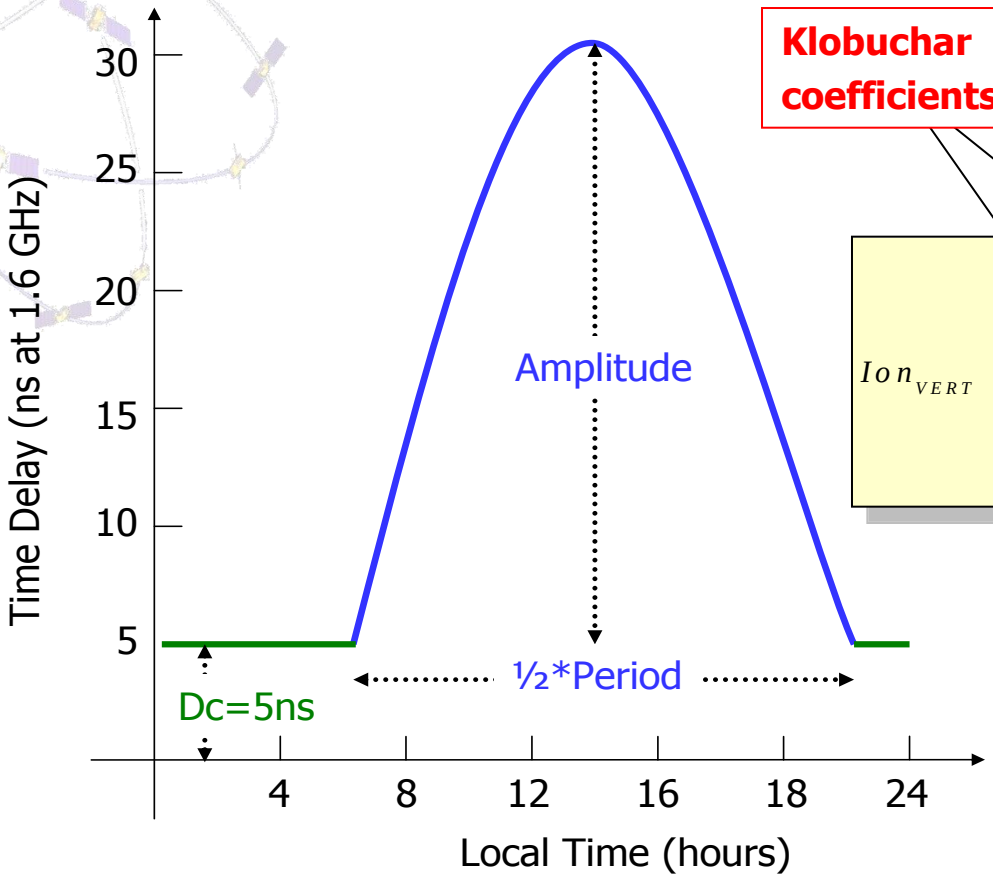


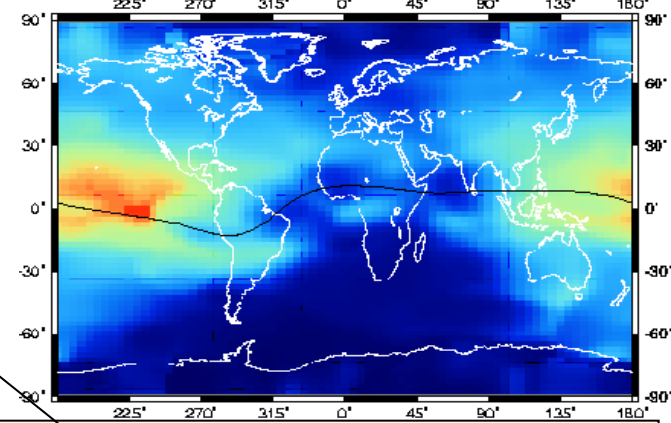
IPPs trajectories for a receiver in Barcelona, Spain





Klobuchar model





Klobuchar coefficients

$$Ion_{VERT} = \begin{cases} DC + A\cos\left[\dfrac{2\pi(t-\Phi)}{P}\right] & (day) \\ DC \quad ; \; if \left[\dfrac{2\pi(t-\Phi)}{P}\right] > \dfrac{\pi}{2} & (night) \end{cases}$$

Being:

$$A = \sum_{n=0}^{3} \alpha_n \varphi^n \quad ; \quad P = \sum_{n=0}^{3} \beta_n \varphi^n$$

φ = Geomagnetic Latitude

$$Ion_{SLANT} = Ion_{VERT} \; m(elev)$$

$$m(elev) = 1 + 16\left(0.53 - elev/\pi\right)^3$$

Where:

DC= 5ns

Φ= 14 **(ctt. phase offset)**

t = Local Time

(time, r_{sta}, r^{sat}, α0,α1,α2,α3,β0,β1,β2,β3) ➔[Klob] ➔ Iono

elev, ϕ

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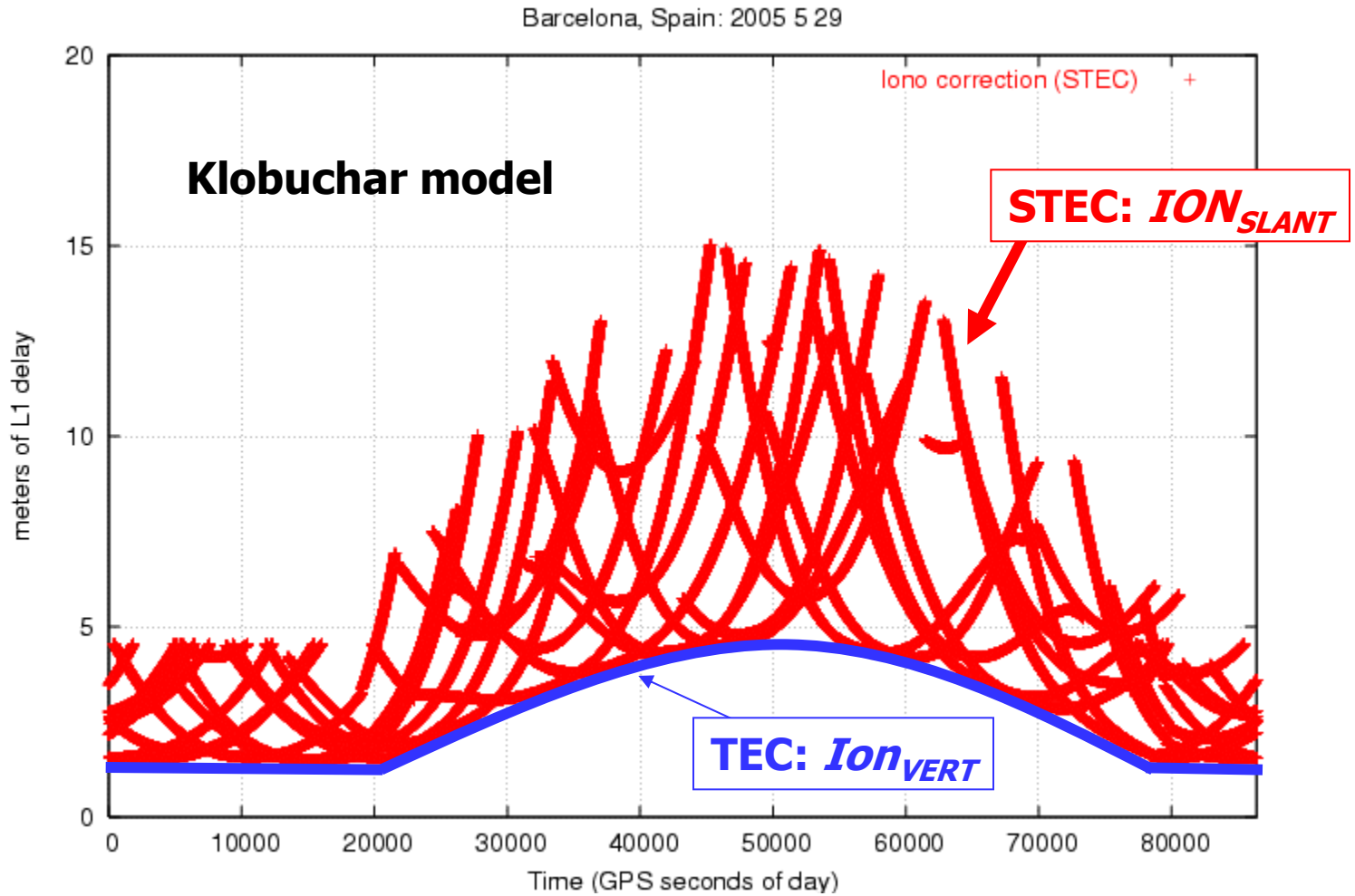
Range variation: Ionospheric correction



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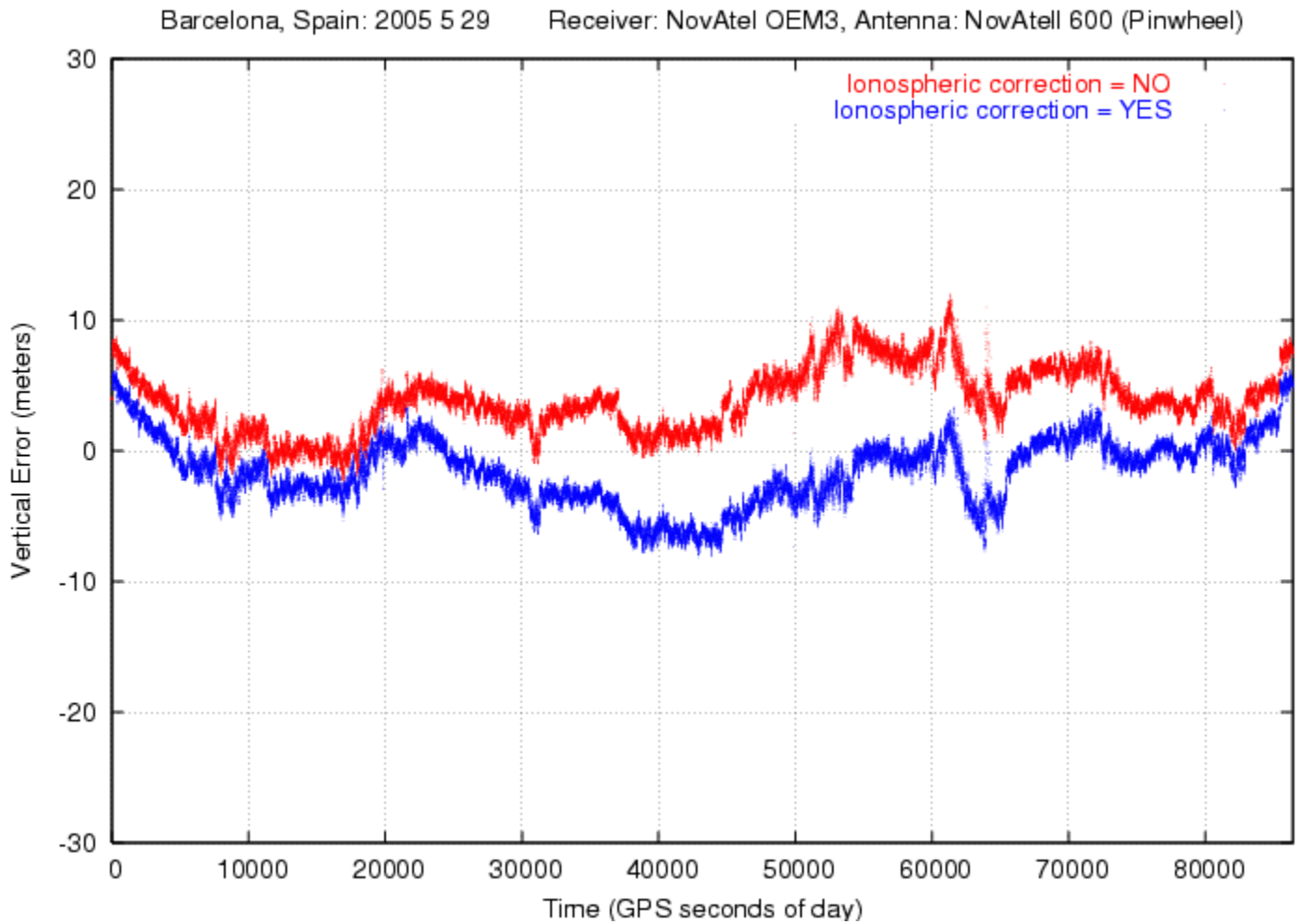
Vertical error comparison



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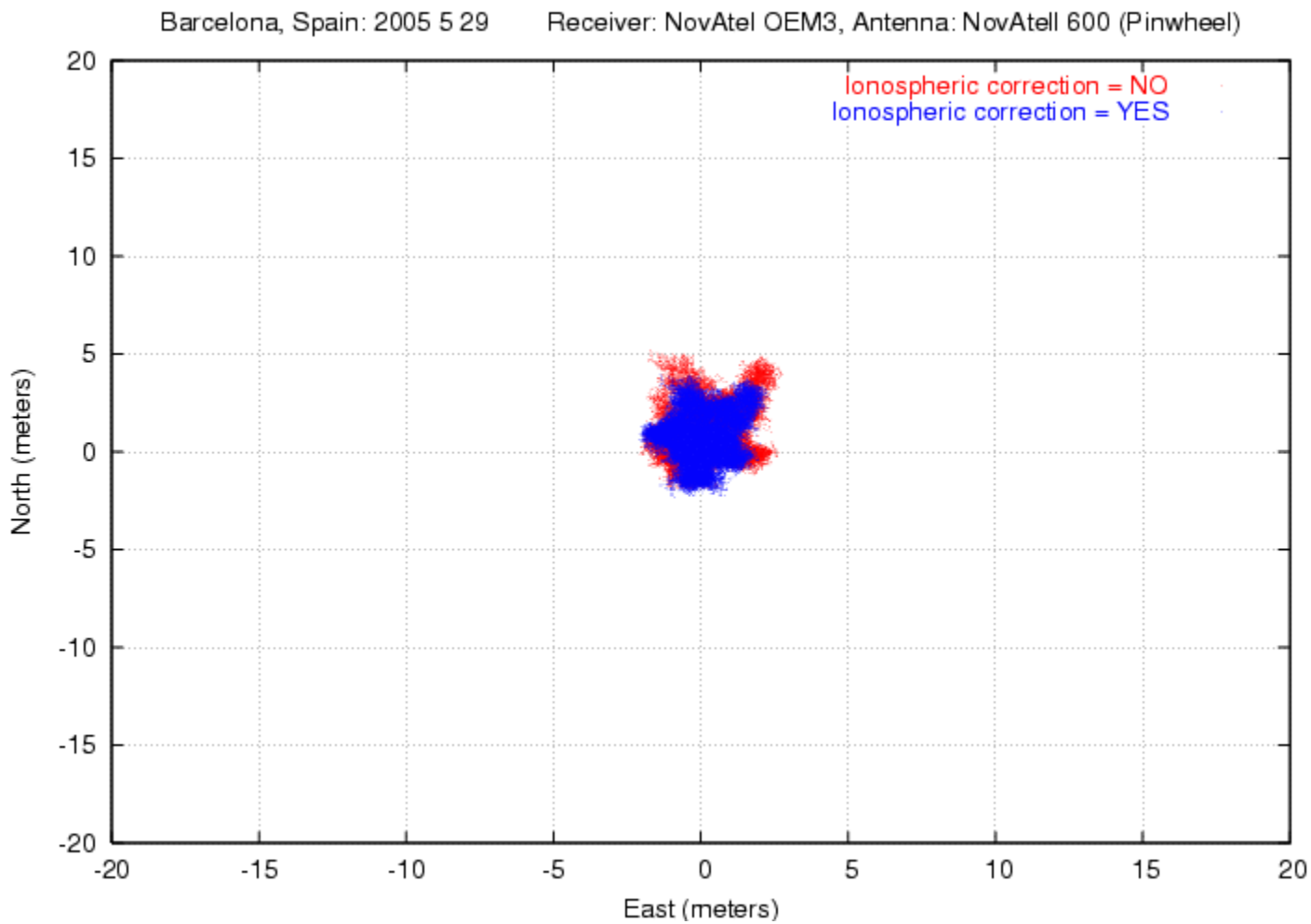
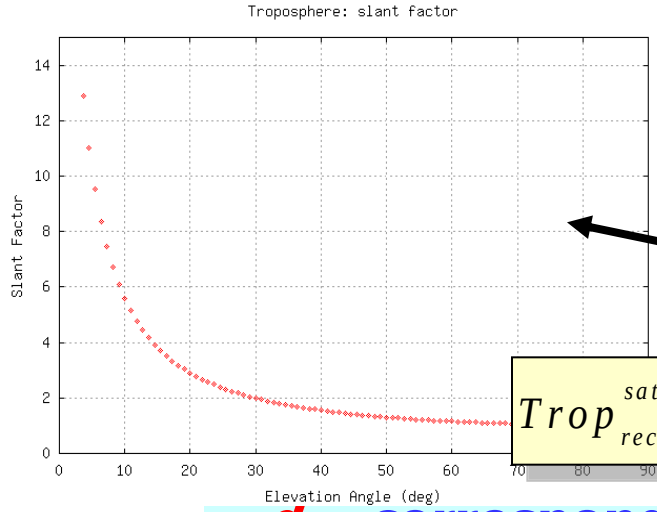




Tropospheric Delay

end on frequency and affects both the code
es in the same way
led (about 90%) by:

$$Trop_{rec}^{sat} = (d_{dry} + d_{wet}) \cdot m(elev)$$

$$m(elev) = \frac{1.001}{\sqrt{0.002001 + \sin^2(elev)}}$$

- d_{dry} corresponds to the vertical delay of the dry atmosphere (basically oxygen and nitrogen in hydrostatical equilibrium) ➔ It can be modeled as an **ideal gas**.
- d_{wet} corresponds to the vertical delay of the wet component (water vapor) ➔ **difficult to model**.

A simple model is:

$$d_{dry} = 2.3 \exp(-0.116 \cdot 10^{-3} H) \quad meters$$

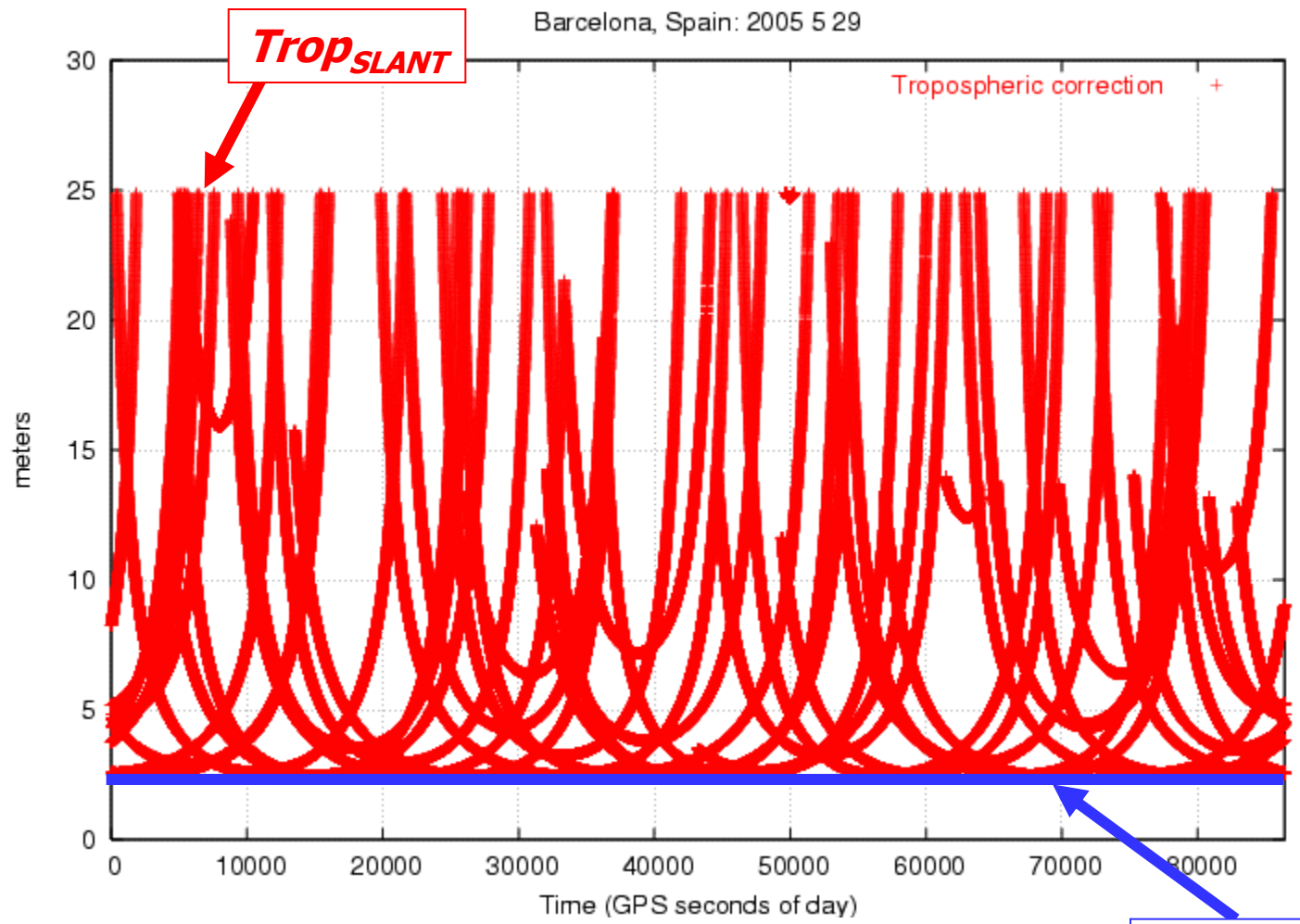
$$d_{wet} = 0.1m \quad ;[H : heigh]over\ the\ sea\ level$$

A more accurate model for d_{dry} *and* d_{wet} is provided for SBAS receivers in RTCA-Do229C. This model depends on the latitude and the day-of-year, being interpolated over a table of several meteorological parameters.

More sophisticated models uses two different mappings (for wet and dry)

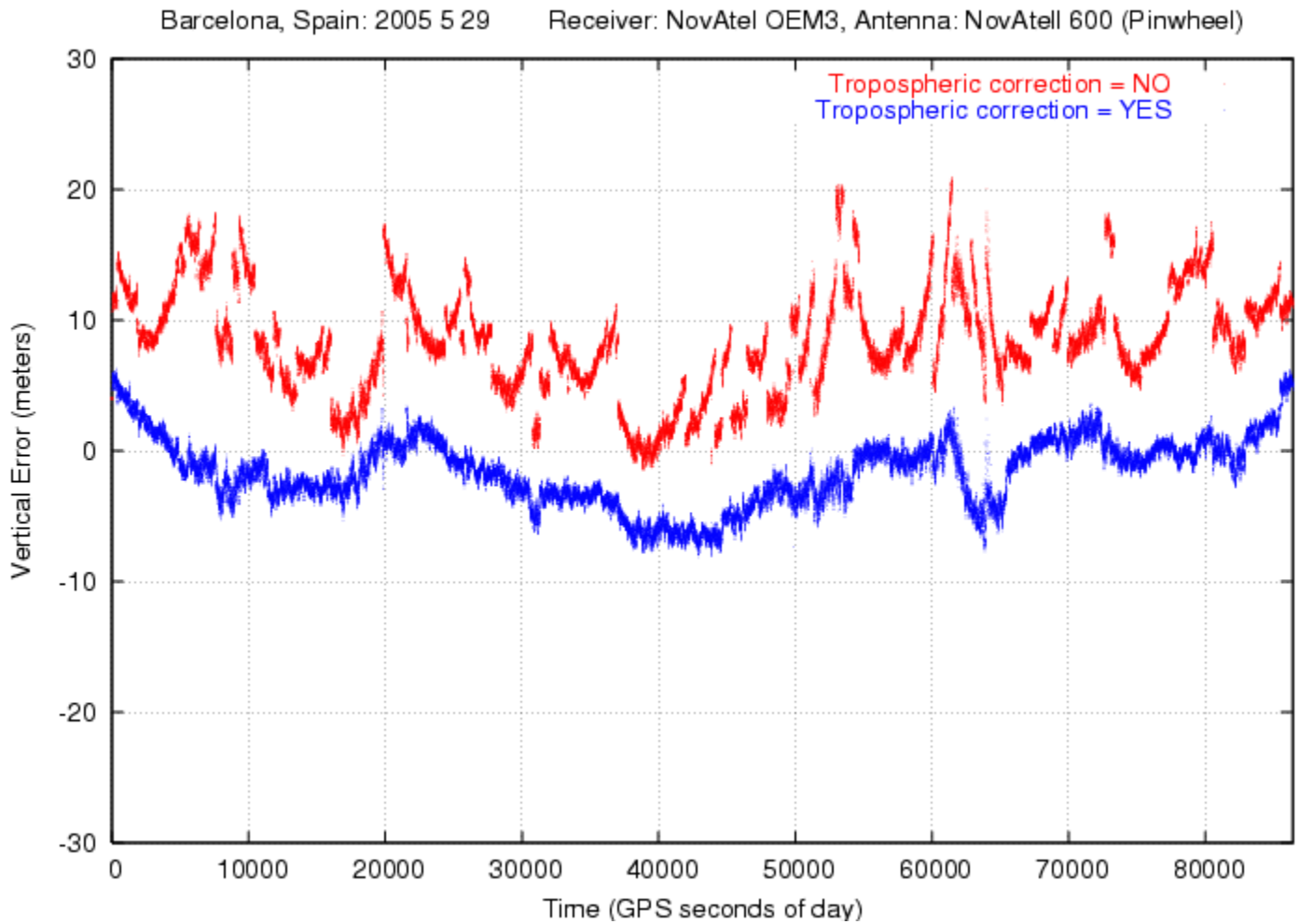
$$C1_{1rec}^{sat} = \rho_{rec}^{sat} + c \cdot (dt_{rec} - dt^{sat}) + rel_{rec}^{sat} + \boxed{Trop_{rec}^{sat}} + Ion_{1rec}^{sat} + K_{1rec} + K_1^{sat} + \varepsilon$$

Range variation: Tropospheric correction



RTCA-Do229C model

Vertical error comparison



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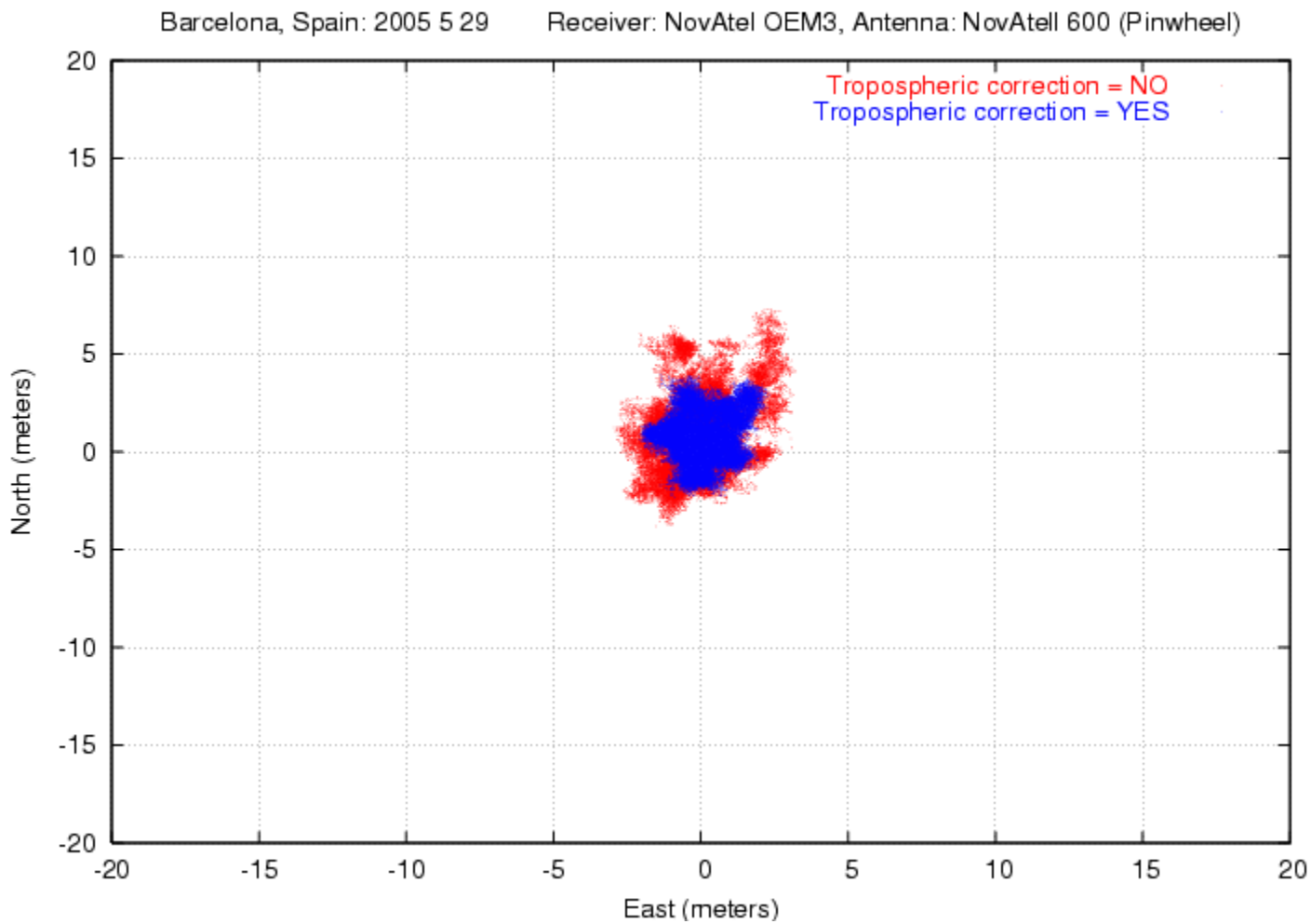


Instrumental Delays

Some sources for these delays are antennas, cables, as well as several filters used in both satellites and receivers.

They are composed by a delay corresponding to satellite and other to receiver, depending on frequency:

$$K1_{rec}^{sat} = K1_{rec} - TGD^{sat}$$

$$K2_{rec}^{sat} = K2_{rec} - \frac{f_1^2}{f_2^2} TGD^{sat}$$

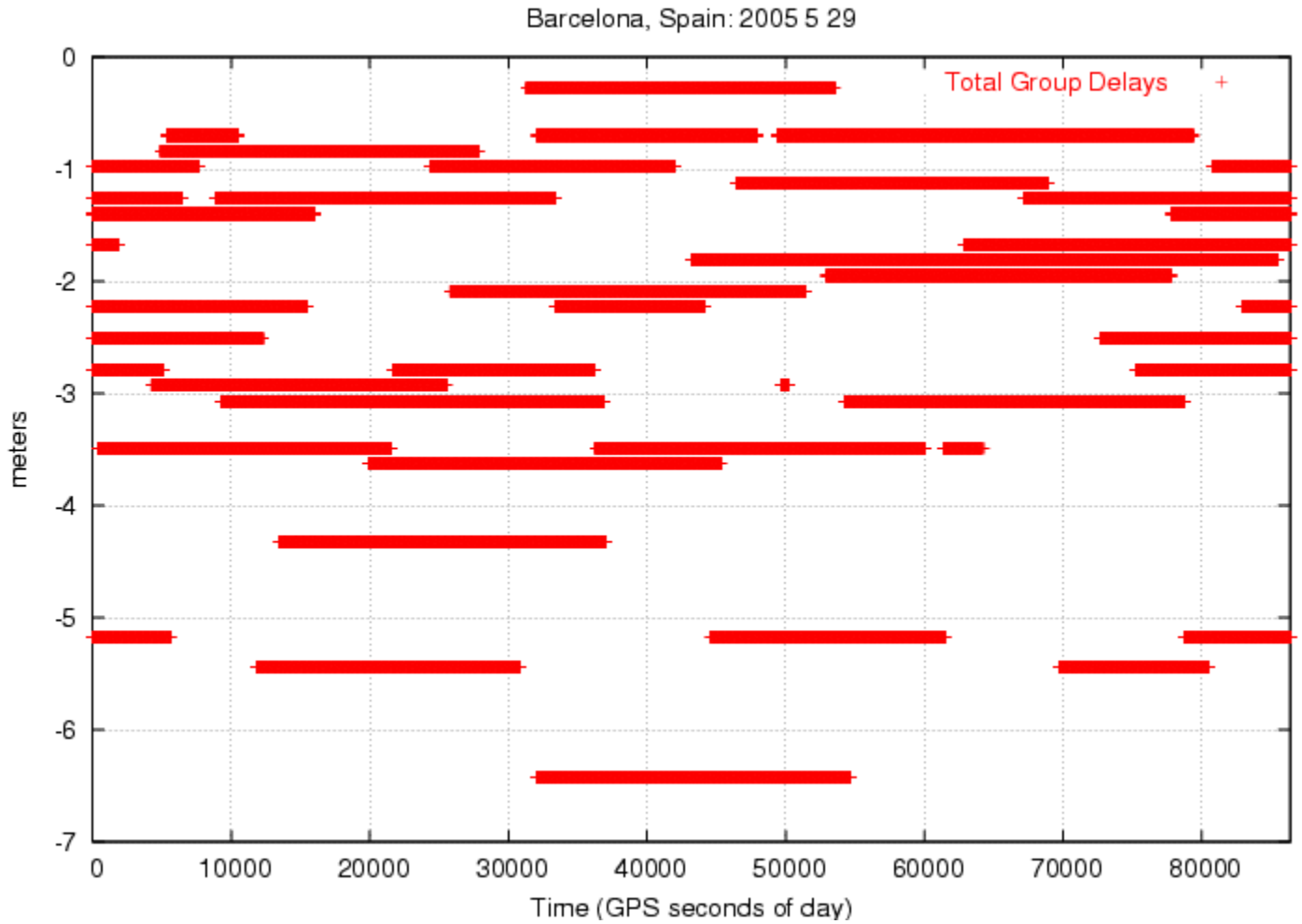
- $R1_{rec}$ may be assumed as zero (including it in receiver clock offset).
- TGD^{sat} is transmitted in satellite's navigation message (*Total Group Delay*).

According to ICD GPS-2000, control segment monitors satellite timing, so TGD cancels out when using free-ionosphere combination. That is why we have that particular equation for K2

TGD

$$C1_{1rec}^{sat} = \rho_{rec}^{sat} + c \cdot (dt_{rec} - dt^{sat}) + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + Ion_{1rec}^{sat} + K_{1rec} + K_1^{sat} + \varepsilon$$

Range variation: Instrumental delays (TGD)



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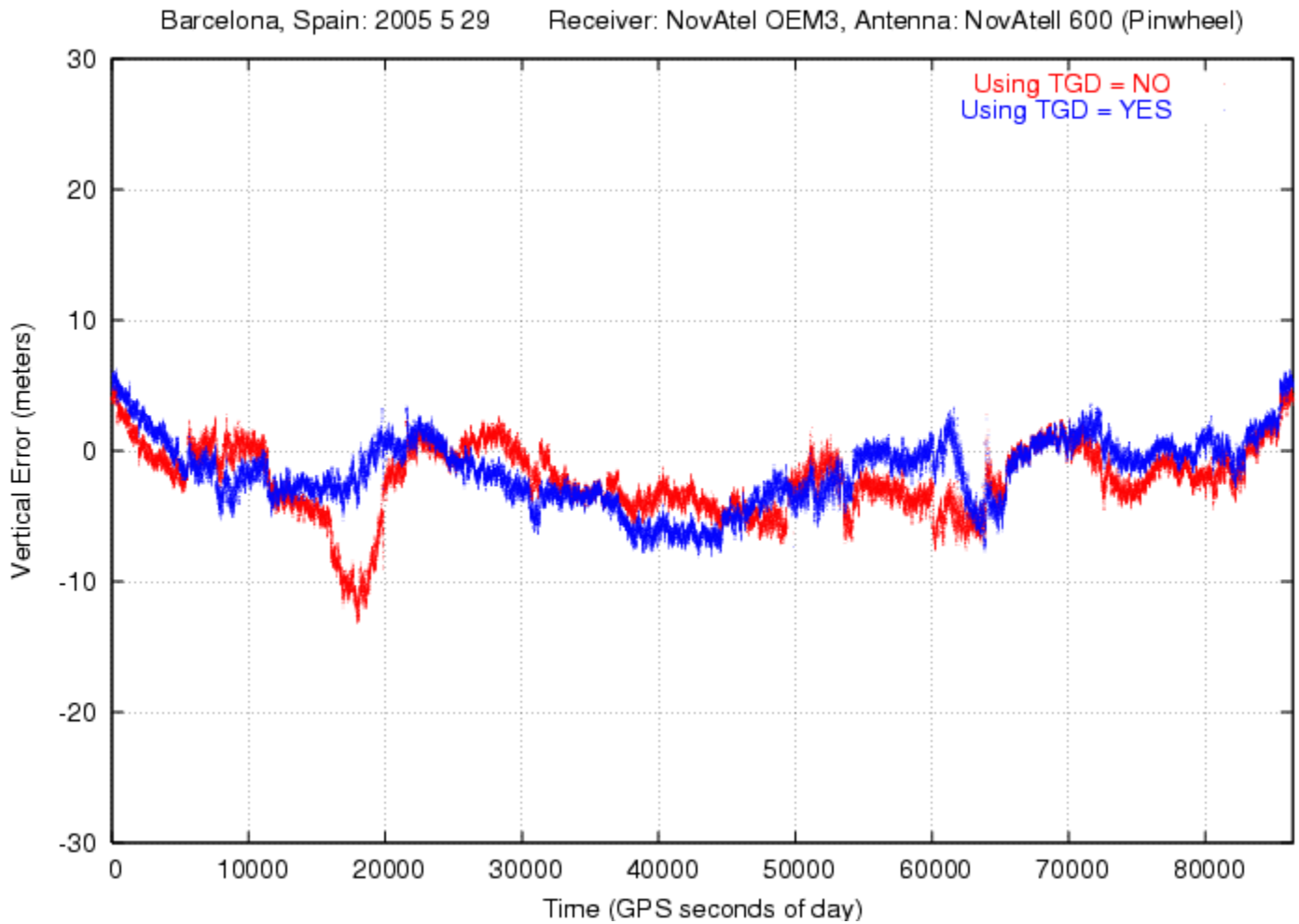

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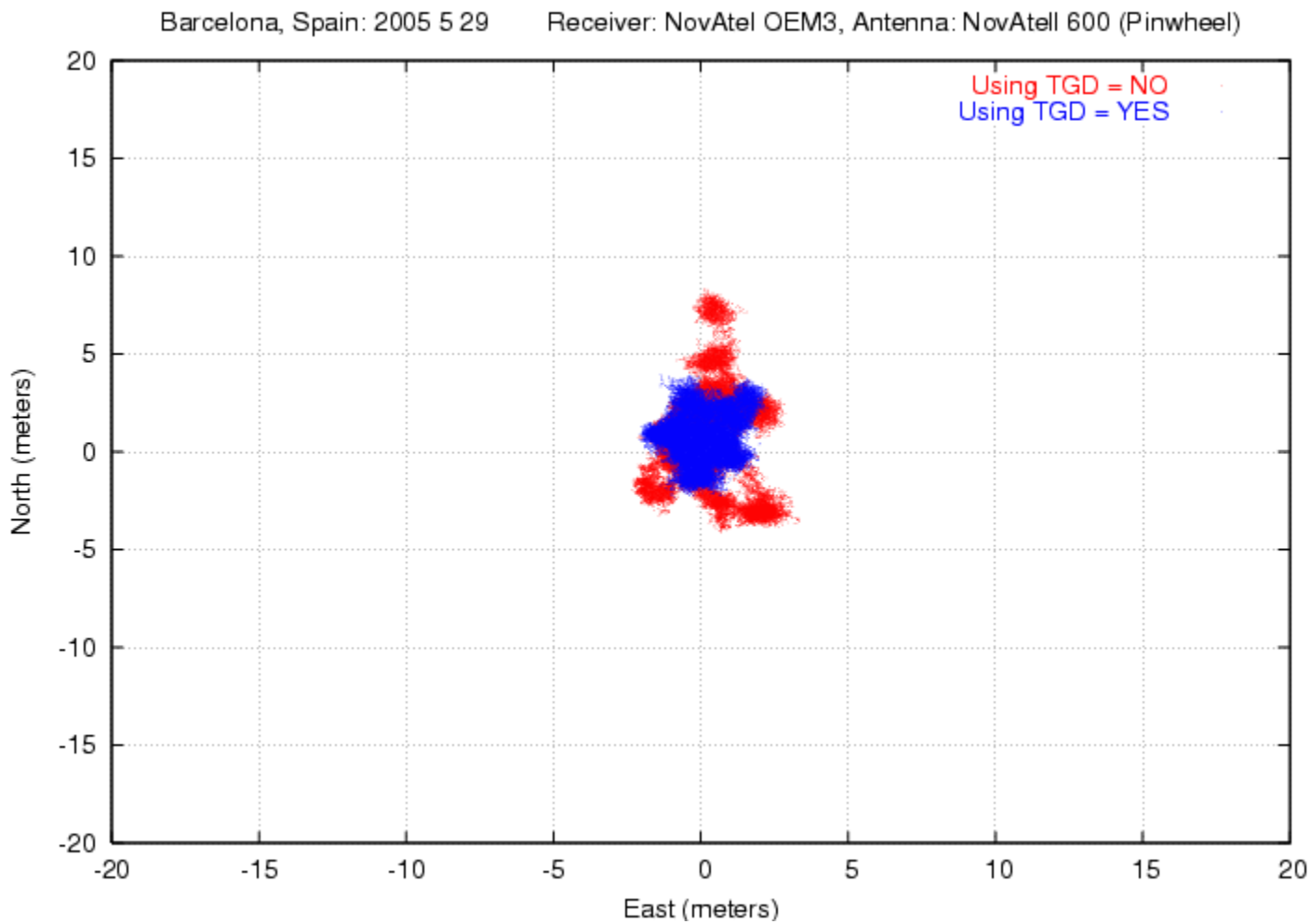


Measurement noise (thermal noise)

Antispoofing (A/S):
The code P is encrypted to Y.
➔ Only the code C at frequency L1 is available.

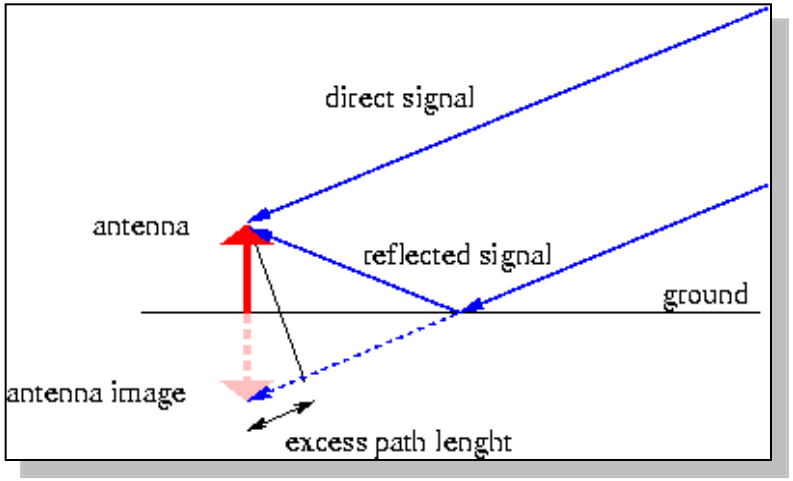
	Wavelength (chip-length)	σ noise (1% of λ) [*]	Main characteristics
Code measurements			
C1	300 m	3 m	**Unambiguous** but noisier
P1 (Y1): encrypted	30 m	30 cm	
P2 (Y2): encrypted	30 m	30 cm	
Phase measurements			
L1	19.05 cm	2 mm	**Precise** but ambiguous
L2	24.45 cm	2 mm	

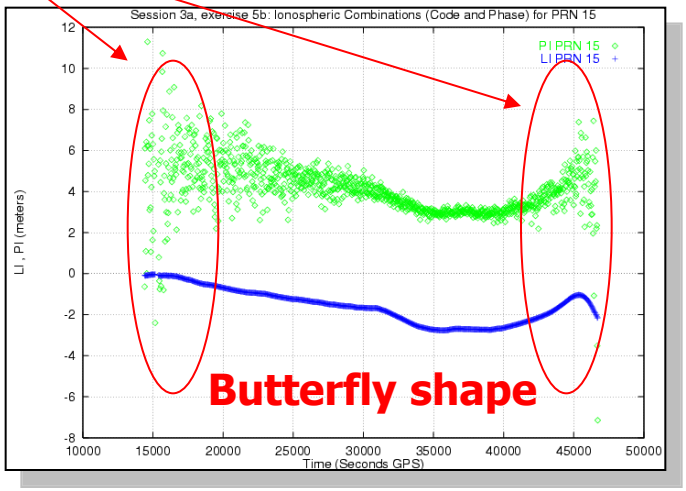
[*] codes may be smoothed with the phases in order to reduce noise (i.e., C1 smoothed with L1 ➔ 50 cm noise)

$$C1_{1rec}^{sat} = \rho_{rec}^{sat} + c \cdot (dt_{rec} - dt^{sat}) + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + Ion_{1rec}^{sat} + K_{1rec} + K_{1}^{sat} + \varepsilon$$

Multipath

- **One or more reflected signals reach the antenna in addition to the direct signal. Reflective objects can be earth surface (ground and water), buildings, trees, hills, etc.**
- **It affects both code and carrier phase measurements, and it is more important at low elevation angles.**

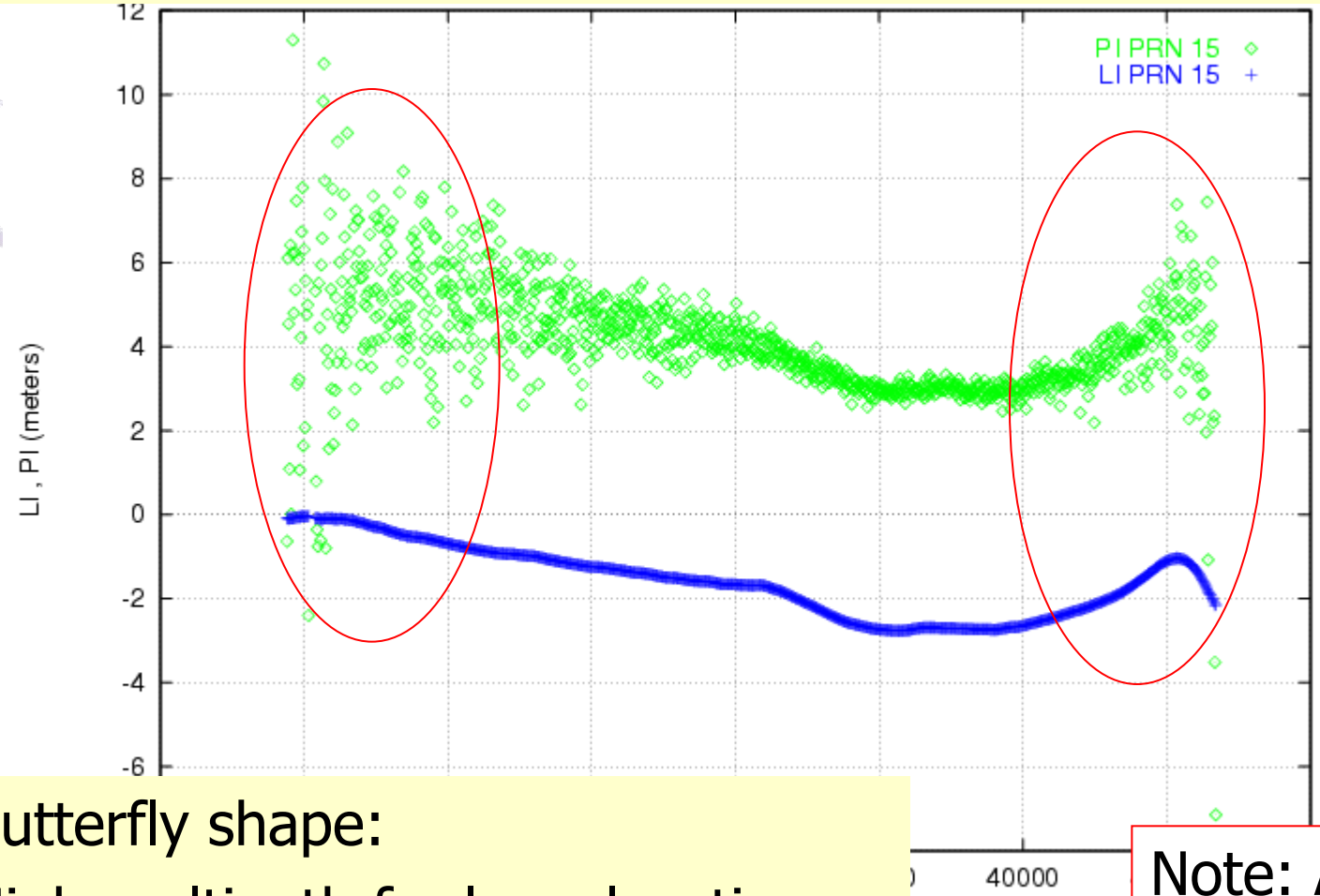




- **Code: up to 1.5 chip-length ➔ up to 450m for C1** [theoretically]
  Typically: less than 2-3 m.
- **Phase: up to $\lambda/4$ ➔ up to 5 cm for L1 and L2** [theoretically]
  Typically: less than 1 cm

Exercise 7:

Plot code and phase ionospheric combination for satellite PRN 15 of file 97jan09coco___r0.rnx and discuss the results.



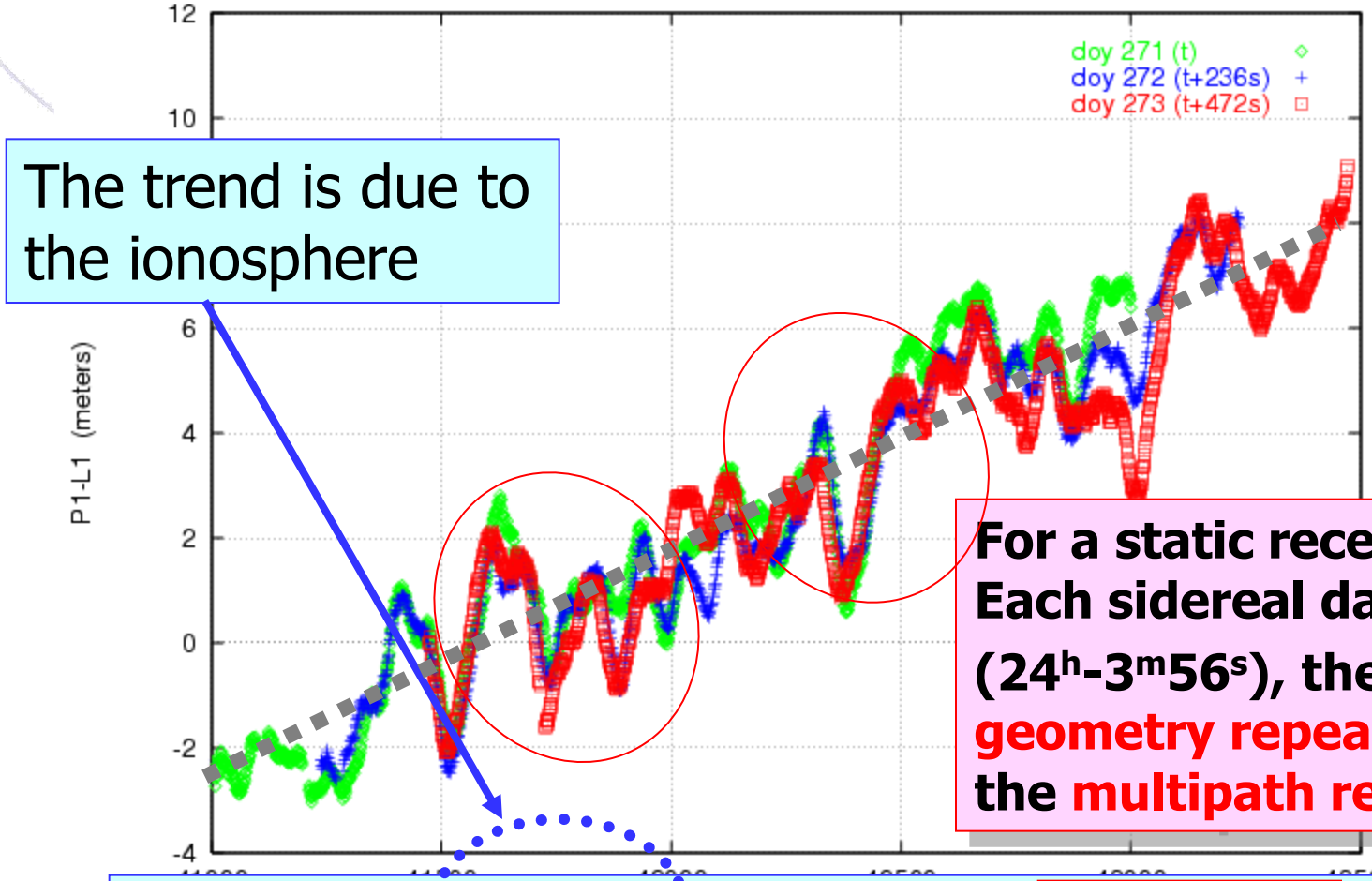
Butterfly shape:

High multipath for low elevation rays (when satellite rises and sets)

Note: A/S=on

Exercise 8:

Files gage2710.98.a, 2720.98.b and gage2730.98.a contain 1-second measurements collected by a static receiver in three consecutive days. Plot the combination P1-L1 and identify the multipath (note: shift the plots 3^m56^s= 236 sec each day)

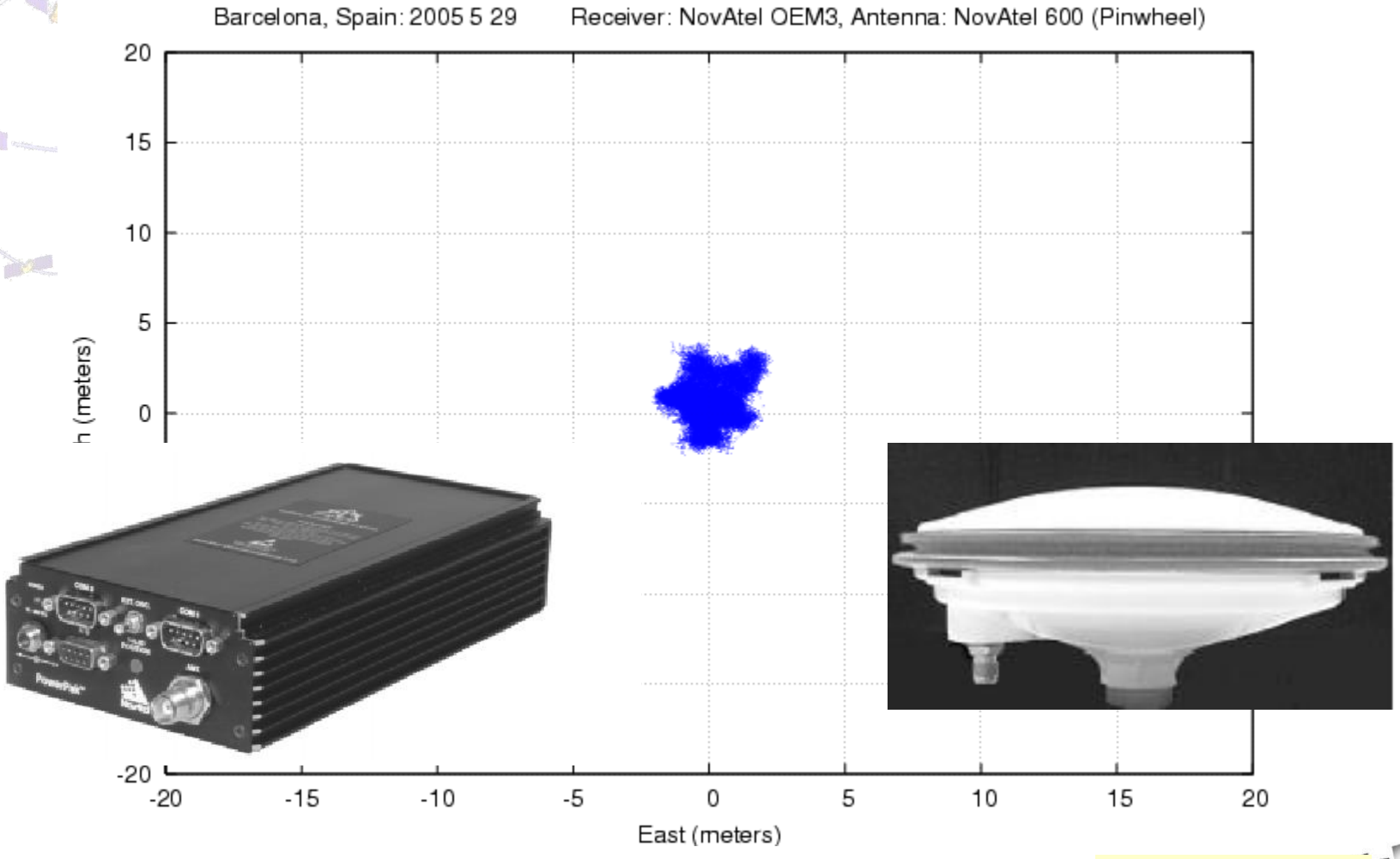


The trend is due to the ionosphere

For a static receiver: Each sidereal day is (24^h-3^m56^s), the geometry repeats ➔ the multipath repeats

$$L_{1sta}^{sat} - P_{1sta}^{sat} = -2\,Ion_{1sta}^{sat} + ctt + ambig + [Multipath + noise]$$

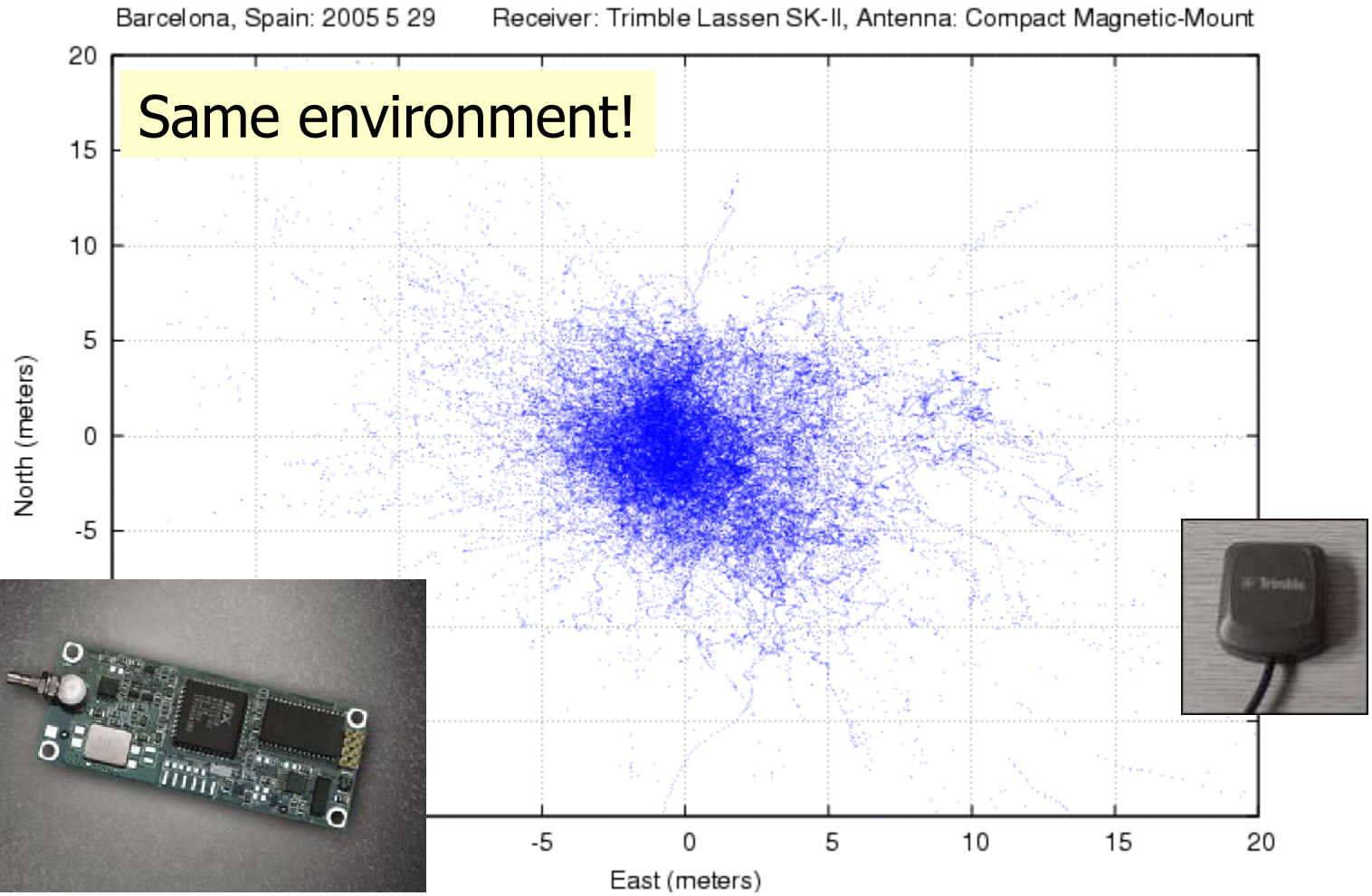
Receiver and multipath noise



GPS standalone (C1 code)

12,000 $

Receiver and multipath noise



GPS standalone (C1 code)

300 $

Exercise 9: Computation of modeled pseudorange

Using data of files 13oct98.rnx and 13oct98.eph, compute "by hand" the modeled pseudorange for satellite PRN 14 at t=38230 sec (10h37m10s).

$$PR[\mathrm{mod}]_{1rec}^{sat} = \rho_{0,rec}^{sat} - cdt^{sat} + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + Ion_{1rec}^{sat} + K_{1}^{sat}$$

Follow these steps:

1. Select orbital elements closer to 38230
2. Compute satellite clock offset
3. Compute satellite-receiver aprox. geometric range

   3.1 Compute emission time from receiver (reception) time-tags and code pseudorange.

   3.2 Compute satellite coordinates at emission time

   3.3 Compute approximate geometric range.
4. Compute satellite Instrumental delay (TGD):
5. Compute relativistic correction
6. Compute tropospheric delay
7. Compute ionospheric delay
8. Compute modeled pseudorange from previous values:

$$PR[\mathrm{mod}]_{1rec}^{sat} = \rho_{0,rec}^{sat} - cdt^{sat} + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + Ion_{1rec}^{sat} + K_1^{sat}$$

1. Selection of orbital elements: From file 13oct98.eph, select the last transmitted navigation message block before instant t=38230 s (10h37m10s).

Transmission time:
979 208818 → 10h 0m 18s

PRN

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                   +0.00000000000E+00 -2.32830643654E-09 +1.280000000000E+02
+2.08818000000E+05 +0.00000000000E+00 +0.00000000000E+00 +0.000000000000E+00
```

GPS week

GPS sec of week

2. Satellite clock offset computation: From file 13oct98.eph, compute satellite clock offset at time t=3830 s for PRN14:

PRN t_0 a_0 a_1 a_2

```
14 98 10 13 12 0 0 +5.65452501178E-06 +9.09494701773E-13 +0.000000000000E+00
+1.28000000000E+02 -6.10000000000E+01 +4.38125402624E-09 +8.198042513605E-01
-3.31364572048E-06 +1.09227513894E-03 +5.67547976971E-06 +5.153795101166E+03
+2.16000000000E+05 -6.33299350738E-08 +1.00409621952E+00 -3.725290298462E-09
+9.73658001335E-01 +2.74031250000E+02 +2.66122811383E+00 -8.081050495434E-09
-1.45720352451E-10 +1.00000000000E+00 +9.79000000000E+02 +0.000000000000E+00
+3.20000000000E+01 +0.00000000000E+00 -2.32830643654E-09 +1.280000000000E+02
+2.08818000000E+05 +0.00000000000E+00 +0.00000000000E+00 +0.000000000000E+00
```

$t = 38230$ sec

$t_0 = 12h\ 0m\ 0s = 43200$ s

$$dt^{sat} = a_0 + a_1(t-t_0) + a_2(t-t_0)^2 = 5.65\ 10^{-6}\ s$$

$$PR[mod]_{1rec}^{sat} = \rho_{0,rec}^{sat} - \boxed{cdt^{sat}} + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + Ion_{1rec}^{sat} + K_1^{sat}$$

3. Satellite-receiver geometric range computation:

Use the following values (4789031, 176612, 4195008) as approximate coordinates.

3.1: Emission time computation from receiver time-tag and code pseudorange:

$$T[ems] = t_{rec}(T_R) - (C1/c + dt^{sat})$$

Measurement file 13oct98.a	→	Pseudorange *C1* at receiver time-tag t=38230: *C1*= 23585247.703 m
Ephemeris file 13oct98.eph	→	Satellite clock offset at t=38230 sec dt^{sat}= 5.65 10^{-6} sec (see previous results)

Thence, the emission time in GPS satellite clock is:

$$T[ems] = 38230 - (23585247.703/c + 5.65\ 10^{-6}) =$$

$$= 38229.9213224$$ **(where *c=299792458*)**

3.2: Satellite coordinates at emission time pseudorange:

T[emission]=
38229.921 sec

→ **Orbit.f** →

X= 11453479.346
Y= 122468524.004
Z= 8245076.145
CTS [emission]

↑

Use the selected ephemeris for PRN14 (from file 13oct98.eph)

The previous coordinates are given in an Earth-fixed reference frame (CTS) at *t=T[emission]=* 38229.921 s.

This reference frame rotates by un amount "$\omega_E \Delta t$" during traveling time Δt*=T[reception]-T[emission].*

$$(X^{sat},Y^{sat},Z^{sat})_{CTS[reception]} = R_3(\omega_E \Delta t).(X^{sat},Y^{sat},Z^{sat})_{CTS[emission]}$$

$$(X^{sat}, Y^{sat}, Z^{sat})_{CTS[reception]} = R_3(\omega_E \Delta t).(X^{sat}, Y^{sat}, Z^{sat})_{CTS[emission]}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 11453350.377 \\ 122468589.797 \\ 8245076.145 \end{pmatrix}_{CTS[reception]} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\omega_E \Delta t) & \sin(\omega_E \Delta t) & 0 \\ -\sin(\omega_E \Delta t) & \cos(\omega_E \Delta t) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 11453479.346 \\ 122468524.004 \\ 8245076.145 \end{pmatrix}_{CTS[emission]}$$

$$\omega_E \Delta t = -5.74 \cdot 10^{-6} rad. \quad (where \quad \omega_E = 7.2921151467 \cdot 10^{-5} rad/sec)$$

$$\Delta t = -\frac{\rho_{rec}^{sat}}{c} = -0.079 \sec$$

$$\rho_{rec}^{sat} = \sqrt{\left(x^{sat} - x_{rec}\right)^2 + \left(y^{sat} - y_{rec}\right)^2 + \left(z^{sat} - z_{rec}\right)^2} \square 23616673.3m$$

$$(x, y, z)^{satellite} \approx (11453479, 22468524, 8245076)$$

$$(x, y, z)_{receiver} \approx (4789031, 176612, 4195008)$$

An approximate value is enough to compute Δt.

Note: Both satellite and receiver coordinates must be given in the same reference system!

➔the CTS[reception] will be used to build navigation equations.

3.2: Geometric range computation

The geometric range between satellite coordinates at emission time and the "approximate position of the receiver" at reception time *(both coordinates given in the same reference system [for instance the CTS system at reception time])* is computed by:

$$\rho_{0,receiver}^{satellite} = \sqrt{\left(x^{sat} - x_{0,rec}\right)^2 + \left(y^{sat} - y_{0,rec}\right)^2 + \left(z^{sat} - z_{0,rec}\right)^2} = 23616699.124\,m$$

$$(x, y, z)^{satellite} = (11453350.2771,\ 22468589.7975,\ 8245076.1448)_{CTS[reception]}$$

$$(x_0, y_0, z_0)_{receiver} = (4789031,\ 176612,\ 4195008)_{CTS[reception]}$$

"Approximate" receiver coordinates at reception time.

$$PR[\mathrm{mod}]_{1rec}^{sat} = \rho_{0,rec}^{sat} - cdt^{sat} + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + Ion_{1rec}^{sat} + K_1^{sat}$$

4. Satellite Instrumental delay (TGD): From file 13oct98.eph, compute the Total Group Delay for PRN14:

PRN

TGD (in sec)

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14 98 10 13 12 0 0 +5.65452501178E-06 +9.09494701773E-13 +0.000000000000E+00
+1.28000000000E+02 -6.10000000000E+01 +4.38125402624E-09 +8.198042513605E-01
-3.31364572048E-06 +1.09227513894E-03 +5.67547976971E-06 +5.153795101166E+03
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+3.20000000000E+01 +0.00000000000E+00 -2.32830643654E-09 +1.280000000000E+02
+2.08818000000E+05 +0.00000000000E+00 +0.00000000000E+00 +0.000000000000E+00
```

TGD= -2.32830643654E-09 * c= -0.69801 m

$$PR[\mathrm{mod}]_{1rec}^{sat} = \rho_{0,rec}^{sat} - cdt^{sat} + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + Ion_{1rec}^{sat} + K_1^{sat}$$

5. Relativistic correction:

PRN

e

sqrt(a)

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14 98 10 13 12 0 0 +5.65452501178E-06 +9.09494701773E-13 +0.00000000000E+00
+1.28000000000E+02 -6.10000000000E+01 +4.38125402624E-09 +8.19804251360E-01
-3.31364572048E-06 +1.09227513894E-03 +5.67547976971E-06 +5.15379510116E+03
+2.16000000000E+05 -6.33299350738E-08 +1.00409621952E+00 -3.72529029846E-09
+9.73658001335E-01 +2.74031250000E+02 +2.66122811383E+00 -8.08105049543E-09
-1.45720352451E-10 +1.00000000000E+00 +9.79000000000E+02 +0.00000000000E+00
+3.20000000000E+01 +0.00000000000E+00 -2.32830643654E-09 +1.28000000000E+02
+2.08818000000E+05 +0.00000000000E+00 +0.00000000000E+00 +0.00000000000E+00
```

T[emission] =
38229.921 s

➔ ***Orbit.f*** ➔

E =0.095 rad.
(eccentric anomaly)

$$rel_{receiver}^{satellite} = 2\frac{\sqrt{\mu a}}{c} e \sin(E) = 0.07\,m$$

$$\mu = 3.986005 \cdot 10^{14} \quad m^3 s^{-2}$$

$$c = 299792458 \quad m\, s^{-1}$$

$$PR[mod]_{1rec}^{sat} = \rho_{0,rec}^{sat} - c\,dt^{sat} + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + Ion_{1rec}^{sat} + K_1^{sat}$$

6. Tropospheric correction

$$Trop_{rec}^{sat} = \left(d_{dry} + d_{wet}\right) m(elev) = 6.76m$$

$$d_{dry} = 2.3\,e^{-0.116\cdot 10^{-3} H} = 2.3m$$

$$d_{wet} = 0.1m$$

$$m(elev) = \frac{1.001}{\sqrt{0.002001 + \sin^2(elev)}}$$

See klob.f

$$elev = 20.57\frac{\pi}{180} = 0.359rad$$

$$H = 160m \quad (heigh\ \ over\ the\ ellipsoid)$$

$(x,y,z)_{sta}$ ➔[car2geo] ➔ $(Lon, Lat, H)_{sta}$

$$PR[mod]_{1rec}^{sat} = \rho_{0,rec}^{sat} - cdt^{sat} + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + Ion_{1rec}^{sat} + K_1^{sat}$$

7. Ionospheric correction

(time, r_{sta}, r^{sat}, $\alpha 0, \alpha 1, \alpha 2, \alpha 3, \beta 0, \beta 1, \beta 2, \beta 3$) ➔[Klob] ➔ Iono=10.26m

```
 2              NAVIGATION DATA     GPS                 RINEX VERSION/ TYPE
XPRINT v1.1           gAGE              00/06/04 17:36:23   PGM / RUN BY / DATE
gAGE BROADCAST EPHEMERIS FILE                                 COMMENT
   +1.9558E-08 +0.0000E+00 -1.1921E-07 +0.0000E+00            ION ALPHA
   +1.2288E+05 -1.6384E+04 -2.6214E+05 +1.9661E+05            ION BETA
   -8.381903171539E-09-1.421085471520E-14   405504      979 DELTA_UTC: A0,A1,T,W
    12                                                        LEAP SECONDS
                                                              END OF HEADER
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$$t = 38230\,\text{sec}$$

$$(x, y, z)^{satellite} = (11453350.2771,\ 22468589.7975,\ 8245076.1448)_{CTS[reception]}$$

$$(x_0, y_0, z_0)_{receiver} = (4789031,\ 176612,\ 4195008)_{CTS[reception]}$$

Approximate values for receiver or satellite coordinates are enough

$$PR[\text{mod}]_{1rec}^{sat} = \rho_{0,rec}^{sat} - cdt^{sat} + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + \boxed{Ion_{1rec}^{sat}} - K_1^{sat}$$

7. Compute the modeled pseudorange.

$$PR[\mathrm{mod}]_{1rec}^{sat} = \rho_{0,rec}^{sat} - cDt^{sat} + rel_{rec}^{sat} + Trop_{rec}^{sat} + Ion_{1rec}^{sat} + K_1^{sat}$$

$$\rho_{0,rec}^{sat} = 23616699.124\,m$$

$$cdt^{sat} = 5.6510^{-6}\,c = 1693.828\,m$$

$$rel_{rec}^{sat} = 0.071\,m$$

$$Trop_{rec}^{sat} = 6.760\,m$$

$$Ion_{1rec}^{sat} = 10.260\,m$$

$$K_1^{sat} = -0.698\,m$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad PR[\mathrm{mod}]_{1rec}^{sat} = 23615021.689\,\mathrm{m}$$

Prefit residual:

Is the difference between measured and modeled pseudorange

$$\mathrm{Pref}_{rec}^{sat} = C1_{rec}^{sat} - PR_1[\mathrm{mod}]_{rec}^{sat} = \rho_{rec}^{sat} - \rho_{0,rec}^{sat} + c \cdot Dt_{rec} + K_{1rec} + \varepsilon$$

In the previous example (PRN14 at t = 38230 s):

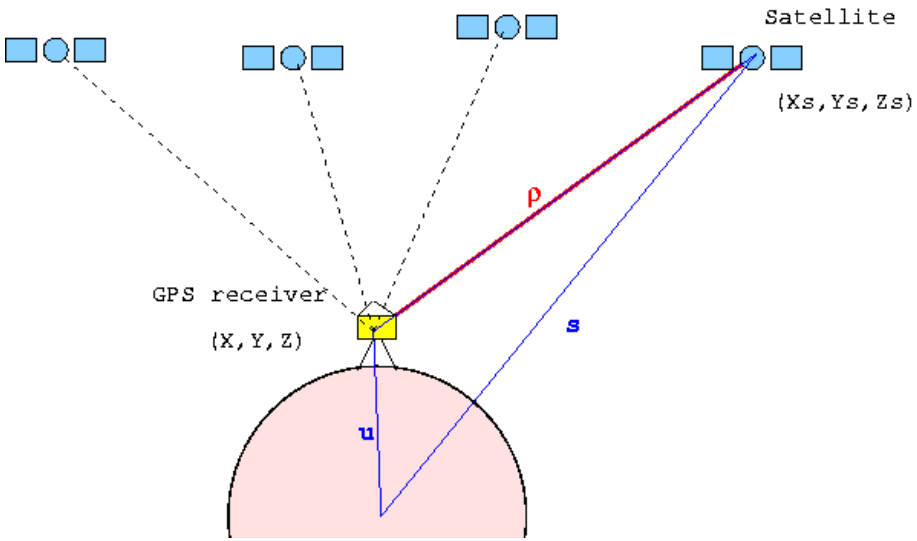
Pref= 23585247.703 - 23615021.689 = -29773.986 m

Previously calculated

From measurement file

Lesson 6
Navigation Equations

Solving navigation equations



Input:

- ***Pseudoranges*** **(receiver-satellite j):** P^j
- **Navigation message. In particular:**
  - ***satellite position*** **when transmitting signal:** $r^j = (x^j, y^j, z^j)$
  - ***offsets*** **of satellite clocks:** dt^j

  (j = 1,2,…n) (n>=4)

Unknowns:

- **receiver** ***position*****:** $r = (x, y, z)$
- **receiver** ***clock*** **offset:** DT

For each satellite in view

rel.+ Iono+Tropo+TGD

$$C1_i^j = \rho_i^j + c\cdot(Dt_i - Dt^j) + \sum \delta_k + \varepsilon$$

$$= \rho_{io}^j + \frac{x_{io} - x^j}{\rho_{io}^j} dx_i + \frac{y_{io} - y^j}{\rho_{io}^j} dy_i + \frac{z_{io} - z^j}{\rho_{io}^j} dz_i + c\left(Dt_i - Dt^j\right) + \sum \delta_k$$

where:

$$dx_i = x_i - x_{io} \quad ; \quad dy_i = y_i - y_{io} \quad ; \quad dz_i = z_i - z_{io}$$

Prefit-residuals (Prefit)

$$C1_i^j - \rho_{io}^j + cDt^j - \sum \delta_k = \frac{x_{io} - x^j}{\rho_{io}^j} dx_i + \frac{y_{io} - y^j}{\rho_{io}^j} dy_i + \frac{z_{io} - z^j}{\rho_{io}^j} dz_i + cDt_i$$

measurement

computed

unknown

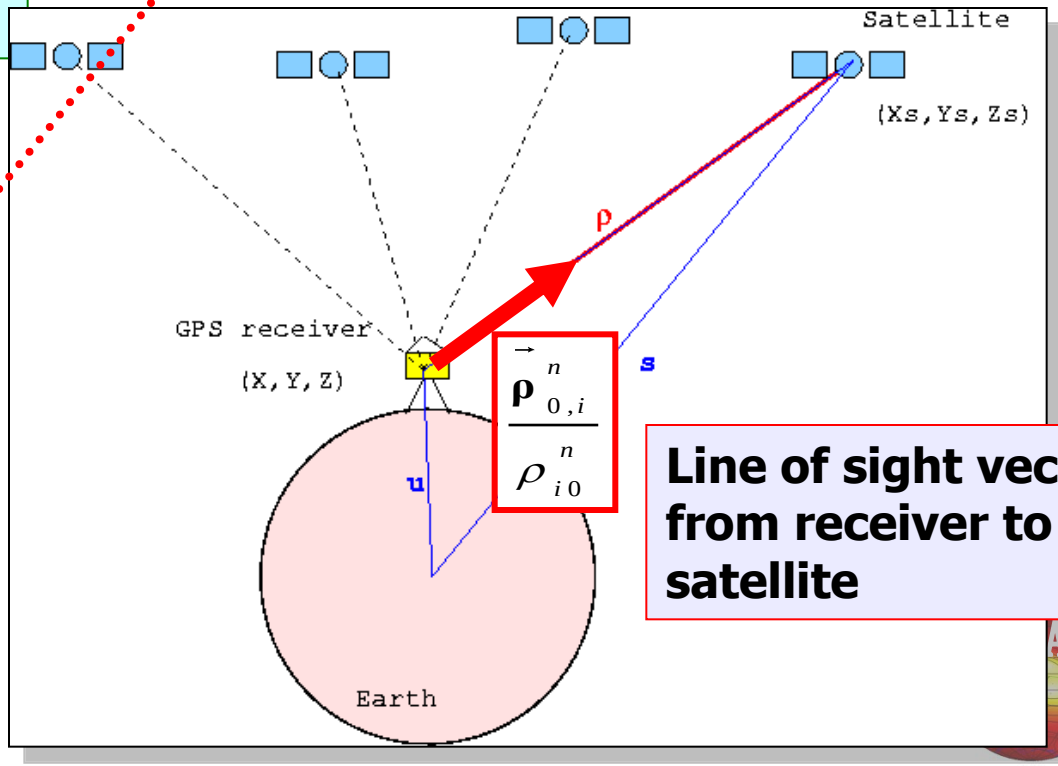
For all sat. in view

$$\begin{bmatrix} Prefit^1 \\ Prefit^2 \\ \cdots\cdots \\ Prefit^n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x_{io}-x^1}{\rho^1_{io}} & \frac{y_{io}-y^1}{\rho^1_{io}} & \frac{z_{io}-z^1}{\rho^1_{io}} & 1 \\ \frac{x_{io}-x^2}{\rho^2_{io}} & \frac{y_{io}-y^2}{\rho^2_{io}} & \frac{z_{io}-z^2}{\rho^2_{io}} & 1 \\ & \cdots\cdots\cdots & & \\ \frac{x_{io}-x^n}{\rho^n_{io}} & \frac{y_{io}-y^n}{\rho^n_{io}} & \frac{z_{io}-z^n}{\rho^n_{io}} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} dx_i \\ dy_i \\ dz_i \\ cDT_i \end{bmatrix}$$

Observations
(measured/computed)

Geometry of rays

$$-\frac{\vec{\rho}^{\,n}_{0,i}}{\rho^n_{i0}}$$



$$\frac{\vec{\rho}^{\,n}_{0,i}}{\rho^n_{i0}}$$

Line of sight vector from receiver to satellite

COMMENTS:

$$\begin{bmatrix} Prefit^1 \\ Prefit^2 \\ \cdots\cdots \\ Prefit^n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x_{io}-x^1}{\rho^1_{io}} & \frac{y_{io}-y^1}{\rho^1_{io}} & \frac{z_{io}-z^1}{\rho^1_{io}} & 1 \\ \frac{x_{io}-x^2}{\rho^2_{io}} & \frac{y_{io}-y^2}{\rho^2_{io}} & \frac{z_{io}-z^2}{\rho^2_{io}} & 1 \\ & \cdots\cdots\cdots & & \\ \frac{x_{io}-x^n}{\rho^n_{io}} & \frac{y_{io}-y^n}{\rho^n_{io}} & \frac{z_{io}-z^n}{\rho^n_{io}} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} dx_i \\ dy_i \\ dz_i \\ cDT_i \end{bmatrix}$$

Of course, receiver coordinates $(x_{rec}, y_{rec}, z_{rec})$ are not known (they are the target of this problem). But we can always assume that an "approximate position $(x_{0_{rec}}, y_{0_{rec}}, z_{0_{rec}})$ is known":

That is:

The navigation problem will consist on:

1.- To start from an approximate value for receiver position $(x_{0_{rec}}, y_{0_{rec}}, z_{0_{rec}})$ (it can be computed with Bancroft's method)

2.- With the pseudorange measurements and the navigation equations, to compute the correction $(dx_{rec}, dy_{rec}, dz_{rec})$ to have a more precise position of receiver.

$$(x_{rec}, y_{rec}, z_{rec}) = (x_{0_{rec}}, y_{0_{rec}}, z_{0_{rec}}) + (dx_{rec}, dy_{rec}, dz_{rec})$$

Note:

An (approximate) initial receiver position (x_0, y_0, z_0) is assumed to be known in former equations!!

The method of Bancroft (see next lesson) allows to compute approximate receiver coordinates from pseudorange measurements and satellite coordinates.

$T = t_0$: Compute an approximate initial position using "Bancroft" algorithm ➔ $r_0(t_o) = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$

$T = t_n$: take as an approximate position $r_0(t_n) = r(t_{n-1})$, the coordinates computed in the previous epoch.

Bancroft to initialize $r_0(t_o)$

Linearized model: from t_{n-1} to t_n

$$r_0(t_n) = r(t_{n-1}) \rightarrow r(t_n)$$

Solving the equations

For all sat. in view

$$\begin{bmatrix} Prefit^1 \\ Prefit^2 \\ \cdots\cdots \\ Prefit^n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x_{io}-x^1}{\rho^1_{io}} & \frac{y_{io}-y^1}{\rho^1_{io}} & \frac{z_{io}-z^1}{\rho^1_{io}} & 1 \\ \frac{x_{io}-x^2}{\rho^2_{io}} & \frac{y_{io}-y^2}{\rho^2_{io}} & \frac{z_{io}-z^2}{\rho^2_{io}} & 1 \\ & \cdots\cdots\cdots & & \\ \frac{x_{io}-x^n}{\rho^n_{io}} & \frac{y_{io}-y^n}{\rho^n_{io}} & \frac{z_{io}-z^n}{\rho^n_{io}} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} dx_i \\ dy_i \\ dz_i \\ cDT_i \end{bmatrix}$$

Observations
(measured/computed)

Geometry of rays

Unknowns

Thence, the basic linearized GPS measurement equation can be written as:

$$Y = \mathbf{A}\, X$$

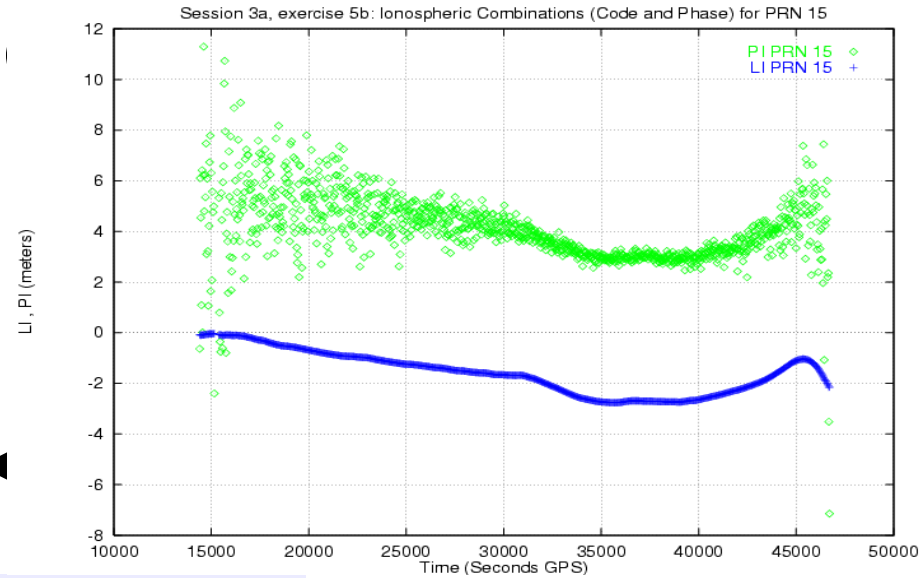
This is a linear system with, in general, $n \geq 4$ equations which we can solve using LMS, WMS, Kalman filter,…

Let be the basic linearized

$$Y = \mathbf{A}\, X$$

- Least Squares solution:

$$\hat{X} = \left(\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{A}\right)^{-1} \mathbf{A}^t Y$$



The **same error** is assumed in all measurements

- Weighted Least Squares solution

If the measurements have **different errors**, the equations can be weighted by matrix ***W***:

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} w_{y_1} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & w_{y_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

Uncorrelated errors are assumed

And the weighted least squares solution is:

$$\hat{X} = \left(\mathbf{A}^t W \mathbf{A}\right)^{-1} \mathbf{A}^t W Y$$

$$\min \left\| Y - \hat{Y} \right\|_W^2 = \min \left[\sum_i w_i \left(y_i - \hat{y}_i \right)^2 \right]$$

$$\hat{Y} = A \hat{X}$$

Assuming that measurements ***Y*** have **random errors with zero mean and variance σ^2**, and assuming that error sources for each satellite are **uncorrelated** with error sources for any other satellite, the following weighted matrix may be used:

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sigma_{y_1}^2 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1/\sigma_{y_n}^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$w_i = \frac{1}{\sigma_{y_i}^2} \rightarrow \sigma_{y_i}^2 \uparrow \Rightarrow w_i \downarrow$$

greater error → less weight

- Minimum Variance Solution:

Let be "P_Y" the error covariance matrix for measurements *Y*.

If the weighting matrix is taken as $W = P_Y^{-1}$, thence the Minimum Variance Solution is found:

$$\hat{X} = \left(\mathbf{A}^t P_Y^{-1} \mathbf{A} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{A}^t P_Y^{-1} Y$$

And the error covariance matrix for the estimation *X* is:

$$P_{\hat{X}} = \left(\mathbf{A}^t P_Y^{-1} \mathbf{A} \right)^{-1}$$

Exercise 10:

With program GCAT and data files 13oct98.a, 13oct98.eph, and taking (x_0, y_0, z_0)=[4789031 176612 4195008]:

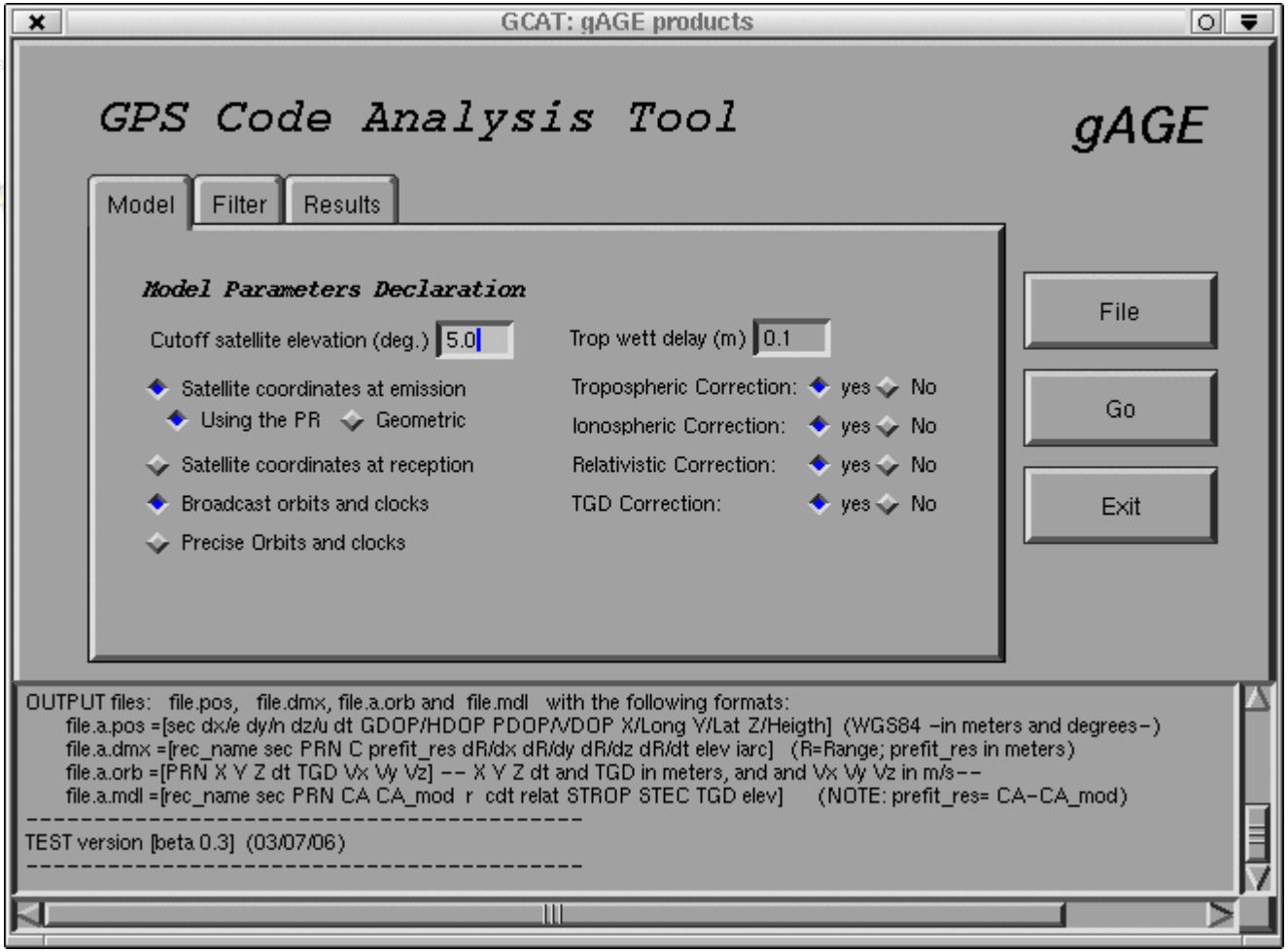
a) Generate data file "13oct98.a.dmx" with the prefit-residuals (Y) and the design matrix (***A***) for $t = 38230$ s.

b) Use these values to compute the navigation solution at that instant

$$X = inv(\mathbf{A}'*W*\mathbf{A})*\mathbf{A}'*Y \qquad \text{[note } X=(dx,dy,dz)\text{]}$$

c) Compute receiver position:

$$(x,y,z)= (x_0, y_0, z_0)+ (dx,dy,dz)$$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GPS Code Analysis Tool
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Model
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Results
Model Parameters Declaration
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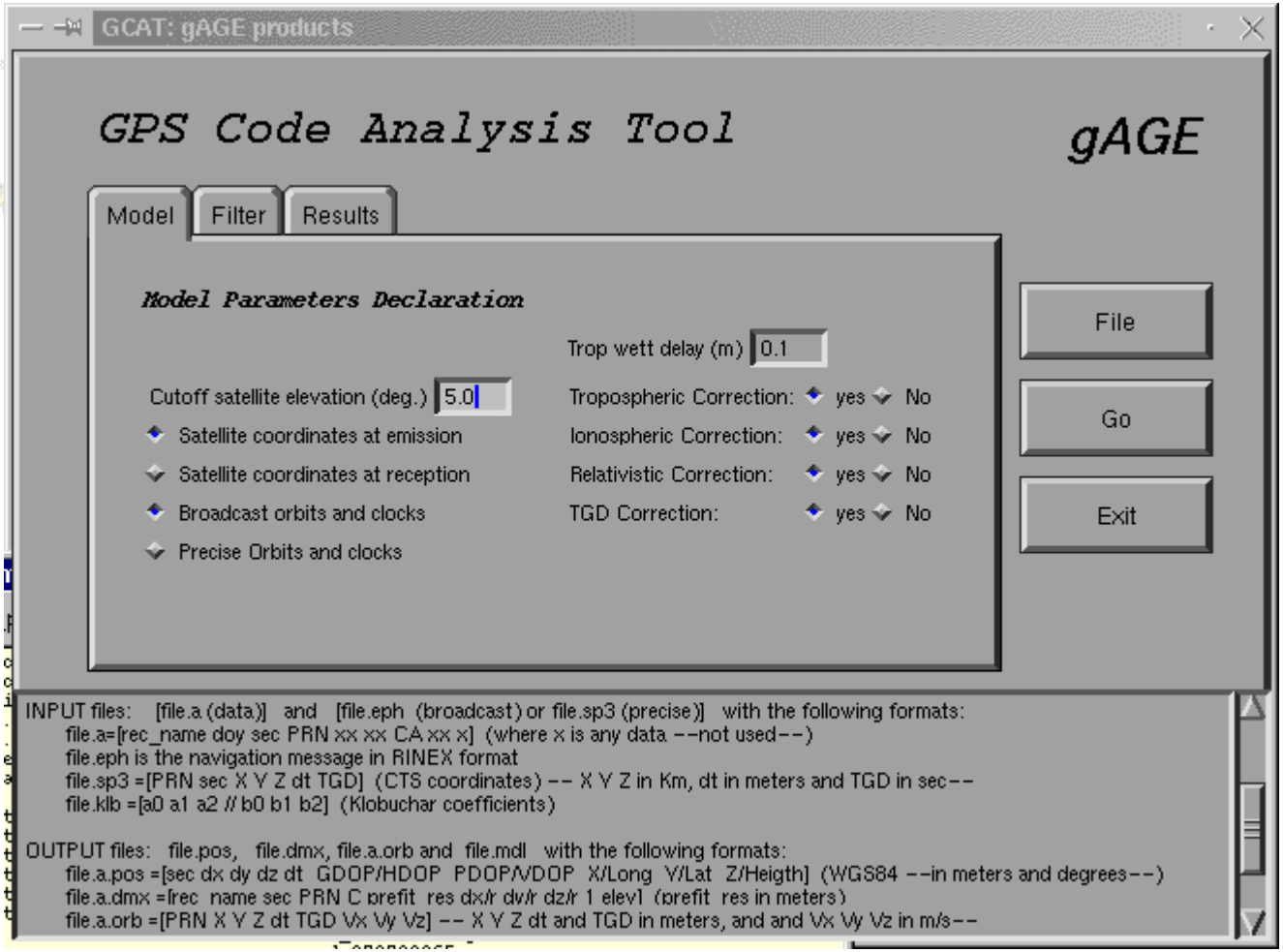
Trop wett delay (m) 0.1
Satellite coordinates at emission
Using the PR
Geometric
Satellite coordinates at reception
Broadcast orbits and clocks
Precise Orbits and clocks
Tropospheric Correction: yes No
Ionospheric Correction: yes No
Relativistic Correction: yes No
TGD Correction: yes No
File
Go
Exit
OUTPUT files: file.pos, file.dmx, file.a.orb and file.mdl with the following formats:
file.a.pos =[sec dx/e dy/n dz/u dt GDOP/HDOP PDOP/VDOP X/Long Y/Lat Z/Heigth] (WGS84 -in meters and degrees-)
file.a.dmx =[rec_name sec PRN C prefit_res dR/dx dR/dy dR/dz dR/dt elev iarc] (R=Range; prefit_res in meters)
file.a.orb =[PRN X Y Z dt TGD Vx Vy Vz] -- X Y Z dt and TGD in meters, and and Vx Vy Vz in m/s--
file.a.mdl =[rec_name sec PRN CA CA_mod r cdt relat STROP STEC TGD elev] (NOTE: prefit_res= CA-CA_mod)
TEST version [beta 0.3] (03/07/06)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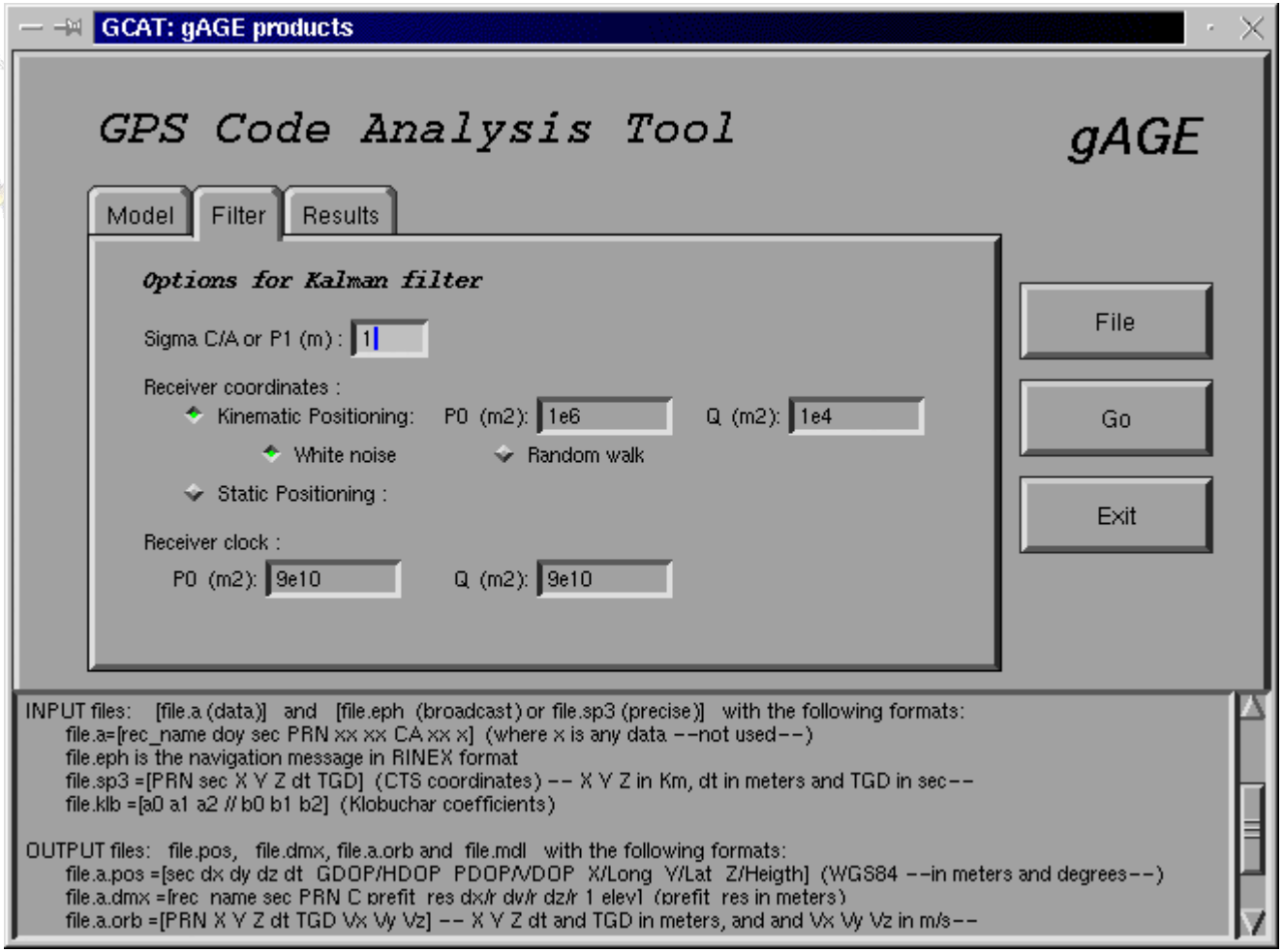
Satellite coordinates at emission
Satellite coordinates at reception
Broadcast orbits and clocks
Precise Orbits and clocks
Tropospheric Correction: yes No
Ionospheric Correction: yes No
Relativistic Correction: yes No
TGD Correction: yes No
File
Go
Exit
INPUT files: [file.a (data)] and [file.eph (broadcast) or file.sp3 (precise)] with the following formats:
file.a=[rec_name doy sec PRN xx xx CA xx x] (where x is any data --not used--)
file.eph is the navigation message in RINEX format
file.sp3 =[PRN sec X Y Z dt TGD] (CTS coordinates) -- X Y Z in Km, dt in meters and TGD in sec--
file.klb =[a0 a1 a2 // b0 b1 b2] (Klobuchar coefficients)
OUTPUT files: file.pos, file.dmx, file.a.orb and file.mdl with the following formats:
file.a.pos =[sec dx dy dz dt GDOP/HDOP PDOP/VDOP X/Long Y/Lat Z/Heigth] (WGS84 --in meters and degrees--)
file.a.dmx =[rec name sec PRN C prefit res dx/r dy/r dz/r 1 elev1 (prefit res in meters)
file.a.orb =[PRN X Y Z dt TGD Vx Vy Vz] -- X Y Z dt and TGD in meters, and and Vx Vy Vz in m/s--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P0 (m2): 1e6
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White noise
Random walk
Static Positioning :
Receiver clock :
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Q (m2): 9e10
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file.sp3 =[PRN sec X Y Z dt TGD] (CTS coordinates) -- X Y Z in Km, dt in meters and TGD in sec--
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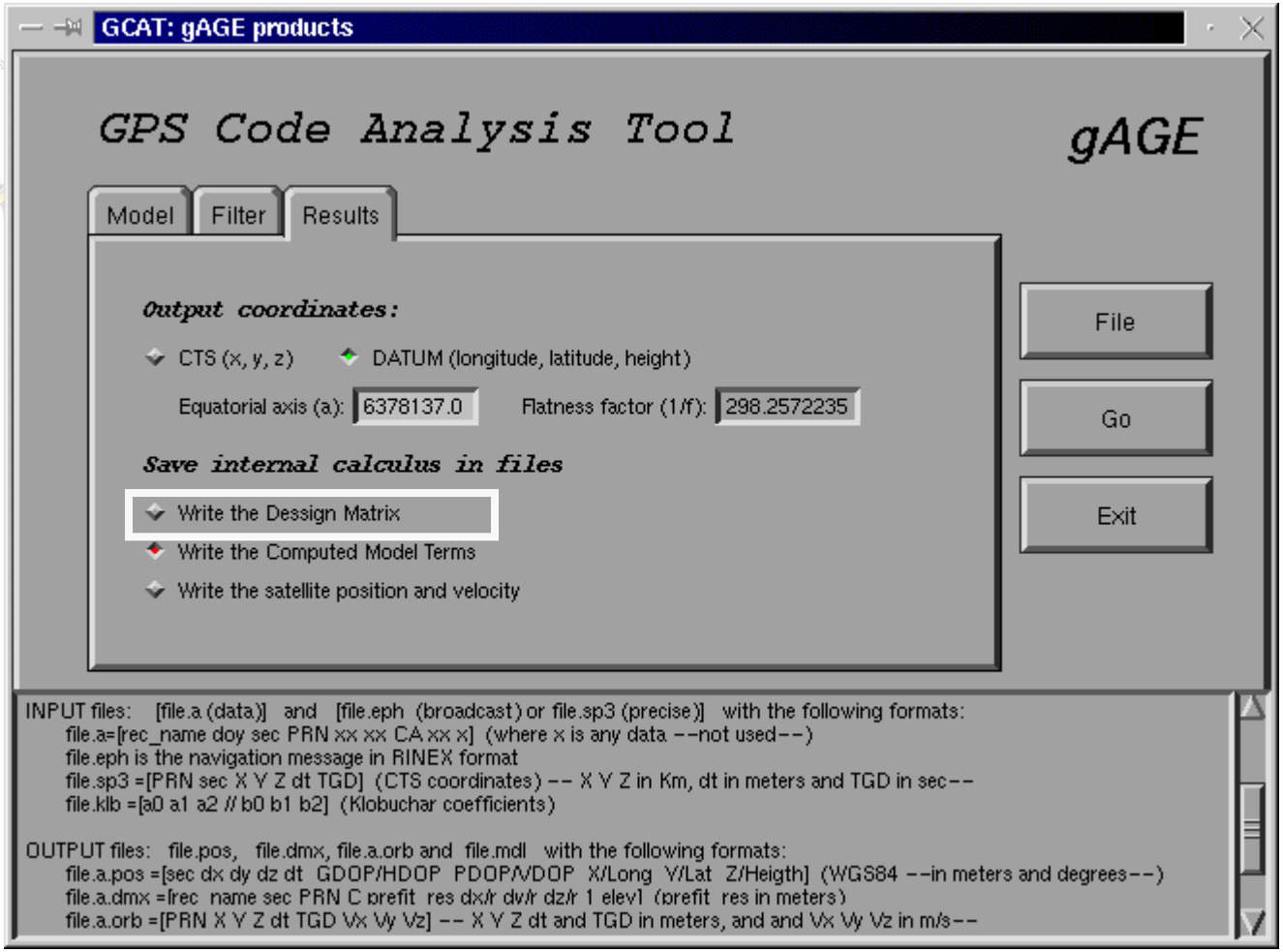
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DATUM (longitude, latitude, height)
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Flatness factor (1/f): 298.2572235
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Write the Dessign Matrix
Write the Computed Model Terms
Write the satellite position and velocity
File
Go
Exit
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Resolution: a)

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------------------------------ 13oct98.a.dmx ---------------------------
                                  x_sat-x0    y_sat-y0     z_sat-z0
rec     sec      PRN   Prefit-res   --------    --------     --------   sig2_y
                                     rho0        rho0         rho0
-----------------------------------------------------------------------
gAGE 38230.000 27 C -29790.69346 -0.825386165  0.083009922  0.558432656  1
gAGE 38230.000 14 C -29773.88675 -0.282186738 -0.943907431 -0.171491711  1
gAGE 38230.000 16 C -29692.55363 -0.524933459 -0.498000630 -0.690246504  1
gAGE 38230.000 19 C -29730.62312 -0.958194420 -0.270768810  0.092453794  1
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t=38230

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Y=[-29790.69346]
  [-29773.88675]
  [-29692.55363]
  [-29730.62312]
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A=[-0.825386165  0.083009922  0.558432656 1]
  [-0.282186738 -0.943907431 -0.171491711 1]
  [-0.524933459 -0.498000630 -0.690246504 1]
  [-0.958194420 -0.270768810  0.092453794 1]
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Py=[1 0 0 0]
   [0 1 0 0]
   [0 0 1 0]
   [0 0 0 1]
```

Resolution: b)

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Y=[-29790.69346]   A=[-0.825386165  0.083009922  0.558432656 1]
  [-29773.88675]     [-0.282186738 -0.943907431 -0.171491711 1]
  [-29692.55363]     [-0.524933459 -0.498000630 -0.690246504 1]
  [-29730.62312]     [-0.958194420 -0.270768810  0.092453794 1]

                 Py=[1 0 0 0]
                    [0 1 0 0]
                    [0 0 1 0]
                    [0 0 0 1]
```

Note data set collected under S/A=on

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                                  [   -99.09]  ← dx
x=inv(A'*W*A)*A'*W*Y=             [     6.02]  ← dy
        where W=inv(Py)           [  -105.24]  ← dz
                                  [-29814.21]  ← clock
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Resolution: c)

$$x = x_0 + dx = [\,4789031\,] + [\,-99.09\,] = [\,4788931.91\,]$$
$$y = y_0 + dy = [\,176612\,] + [\,6.02\,] = [\,176618.02\,]$$
$$z = z_0 + dz = [\,4195008\,] + [\,-105.24\,] = [\,4194902.76\,]$$

The program Gnav.f

(source code provided with the book)

The software code of **`Gnav.f`** emulates a GPS receiver.

It computes the navigation solution from RINEX measurement and ephemeris files.

It applies the Bancroft method "for cold start" and the linearized equations for navigating.

Kalman filtering:

It is based on computing the **weighted average** between:

- the measurement $Y(n)$ (i.e., at $t = t_n$)
- the prediction of the state $\hat{X}^-(n)$ from previous estimation $\hat{X}(n-1)$

1. Weighted average:

$$\begin{cases} Y(n) = A(n)\,X(n) \\ \hat{X}^-(n) = X(n) \end{cases}$$

Let's assume, that we have the prediction $\hat{X}^-(n)$, with $P_{\hat{X}^-(n)}$ ce, it can be used to **add an additional set of equations** to the measurement equation ***Y= A X***

$$\begin{bmatrix} Y(n) \\ \hat{X}^-(n) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A(n) \\ I \end{pmatrix} X(n)$$

$$W = \begin{pmatrix} P_{Y(n)} & 0 \\ 0 & P_{\hat{X}^-(n)} \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} Y(n) \\ \hat{X}^{-}(n) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \boxed{\begin{matrix} A(n) \\ I \end{matrix}} \end{pmatrix} X(n) \qquad \boxed{W} = \begin{pmatrix} P_{Y(n)} & 0 \\ 0 & P_{\hat{X}^{-}(n)} \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

And the following solution of the previous equation system can be found with some elemental algebraic manipulations:

$$\hat{X} = \left(\mathbf{A}^{t} P_{Y}^{-1} \boxed{\mathbf{A}} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{A}^{t} \boxed{P_{Y}^{-1}} Y$$

$$P_{\hat{X}} = \left(\mathbf{A}^{t} P_{Y}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \right)^{-1}$$

$$\hat{X}(n) = P_{\hat{X}(n)} \left[A^{t}(n) P_{Y(n)}^{-1} Y(n) + P_{\hat{X}^{-}(n)}^{-1} \hat{X}^{-}(n) \right]$$

$$P_{\hat{X}(n)} = \left[A^{t}(n) P_{Y(n)}^{-1} A(n) + P_{\hat{X}^{-}(n)}^{-1} \right]^{-1}$$

2.- Prediction

Scalar case:

Let's $\hat{x}_{n-1}$ be the state at $t = n$ with variance $\sigma^2_{\hat{x}_{n-1}}$

The *simplest prediction model* is to assume that the prediction at $t = n$ is proportional to the state at $t = n-1$. That is:

$$\hat{x}_n^- = \phi \, \hat{x}_{n-1}$$

Thence, existing a linear relation between $\hat{x}_{n-1}$ and $\hat{x}_n^-$, the variance of the prediction will be:

$$\sigma^2_{\hat{x}_n^-} = \phi^2 \, \sigma^2_{\hat{x}_{n-1}} + q^2$$

An additional term is added to account for modeling error!

Generalization to the vector case:

$$\hat{x}_n^- = \phi \, \hat{x}_{n-1}$$

$$\sigma^2_{\hat{x}_n^-} = \phi^2 \, \sigma^2_{\hat{x}_{n-1}} + q^2$$

x_n	$\rightarrow$	$X(n)$
ϕ	$\rightarrow$	$\Phi(n)$
$\sigma^2_{x_n}$	$\rightarrow$	$P_{X(n)}$
q^2	$\rightarrow$	$Q(n)$

$\Phi(n)$: *transition matrix*

$Q(n)$: *process noise matrix*

$$\hat{X}^-(n) = \Phi(n-1) \cdot \hat{X}(n-1)$$

$$P_{\hat{X}^-(n)} = \Phi(n-1) \cdot P_{\hat{X}(n-1)} \cdot \Phi^t(n-1) + Q(n-1)$$

Kalman filter (see kalman.f)

Measurements

$$\hat{X}^{-}(n) \qquad P_{\hat{X}^{-}(n)}$$

$$Y(n) \qquad P_{Y(n)}$$

Prediction

$$\hat{X}^{-}(n) = \Phi\, \hat{X}(n-1)$$

$$P_{\hat{X}^{-}(n)} = \Phi\, P_{\hat{X}(n-1)}\, \Phi^{t} + Q$$

Estimation

$$\hat{X}(n) = P_{\hat{X}(n)} \cdot \left[A^{t} P^{-1}_{Y(n)} Y(n) + P^{-1}_{\hat{X}^{-}(n)} \hat{X}^{-}(n) \right]$$

$$P_{\hat{X}(n)} = \left[A^{t} P^{-1}_{Y(n)} A + P^{-1}_{\hat{X}^{-}(n)} \right]^{-1}$$

$$\hat{X}(0) \qquad P_{\hat{X}(0)}$$

Initialization

$$\hat{X}(n) \qquad P_{\hat{X}(n)}$$

Kalman filter (classical version)

Measurements

$$Y(n)$$

$$P_{Y(n)}$$

$$\hat{X}^{-}(n)$$

$$P_{\hat{X}^{-}(n)}$$

Estimation

$$\hat{X}(n) = \hat{X}^{-}(n) + K(n)\cdot\left[Y(n) - A(n)\cdot\hat{X}(n)\right]$$

$$K(n) = P_{\hat{X}^{-}(n)}\cdot A^{t}(n)\cdot\left[A(n)\cdot P_{\hat{X}^{-}(n)}\cdot A^{t}(n) - P_{Y(n)}\right]^{-1}$$

$$P_{\hat{X}(n)} = \left[I - K(n)\cdot A(n)\right]\cdot P_{\hat{X}^{-}(n)}$$

Prediction

$$\hat{X}^{-}(n) = \Phi\cdot\hat{X}(n-1)$$

$$P_{\hat{X}^{-}(n)} = \Phi\cdot P_{\hat{X}(n-1)}\cdot\Phi^{t} + Q$$

$$\hat{X}(0)$$

$$P_{\hat{X}(0)}$$

Initialization

$$\hat{X}(n)$$

$$P_{\hat{X}(n)}$$

Some simple examples to define matrices Φ and Q

$$\hat{X}^{-}(n) = \Phi(n-1) \cdot \hat{X}(n-1)$$

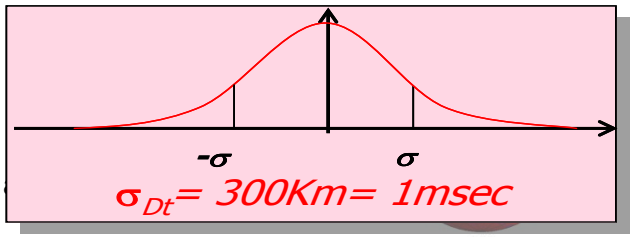
$$P_{\hat{X}^{-}(n)} = \Phi(n-1) \cdot P_{\hat{X}(n-1)} \cdot \Phi^{t}(n-1) + Q(n-1)$$

a) Static positioning:

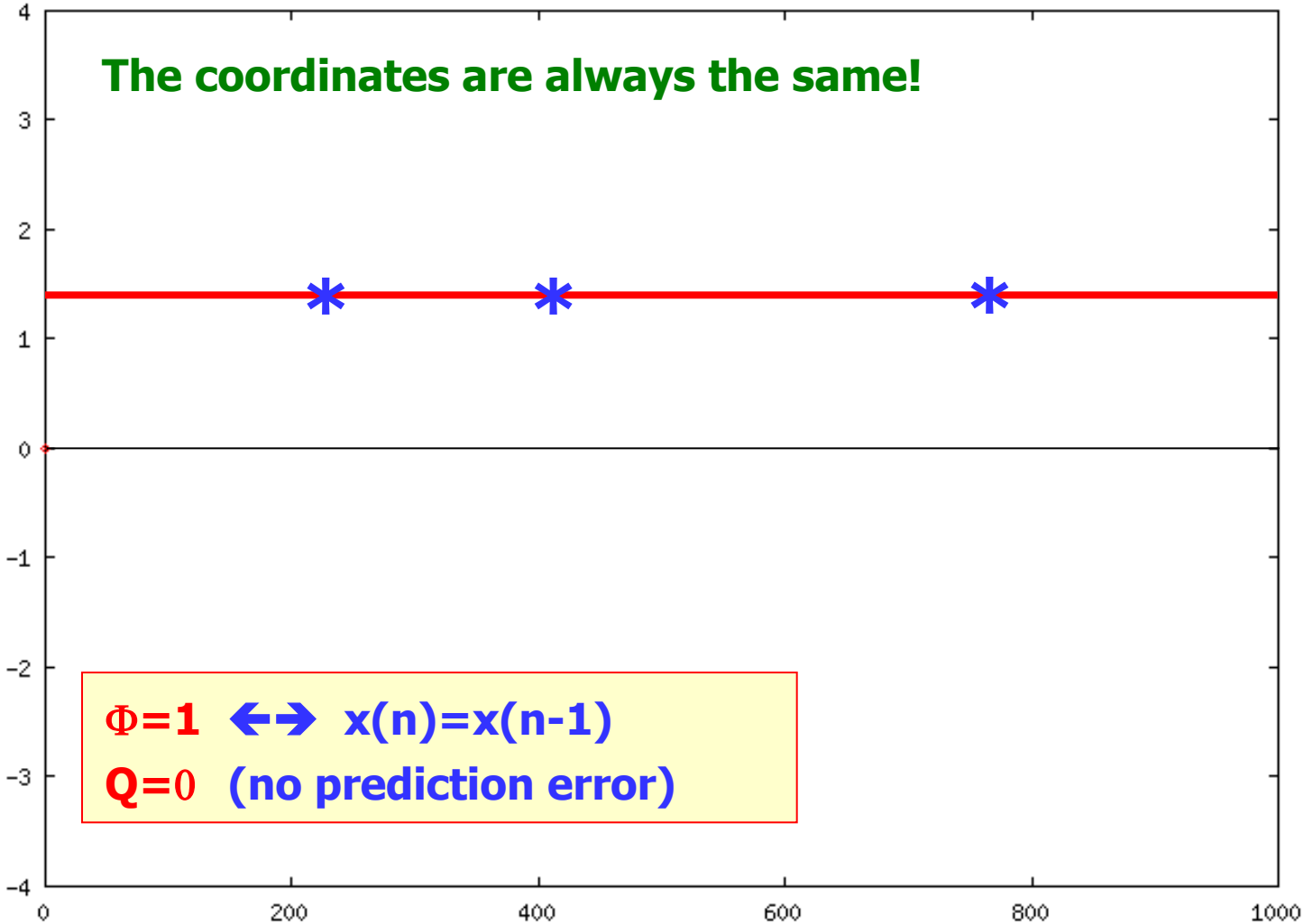
State vector to be determined is $X = (x_{rec}, y_{rec}, z_{rec}, dt_{rec})$ where coordinates $(x_{rec}, y_{rec}, z_{rec})$ are considered **constant** (because receiver is fixed) and clock offset dT_{rec} is treated as **white noise** with zero mean and variance σ^2_{Dt}. In these conditions, matrices have the form:

$$\boldsymbol{\Phi}(n) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{Q}(n) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & & \\ & 0 & & \\ & & 0 & \\ & & & \sigma^2_{DT} \end{pmatrix}$$

Being σ^2_{DT} process noise associated to clock offset (in some way, the uncertainty in clock value).



Constant



$\Phi=1 \leftrightarrow x(n)=x(n-1)$

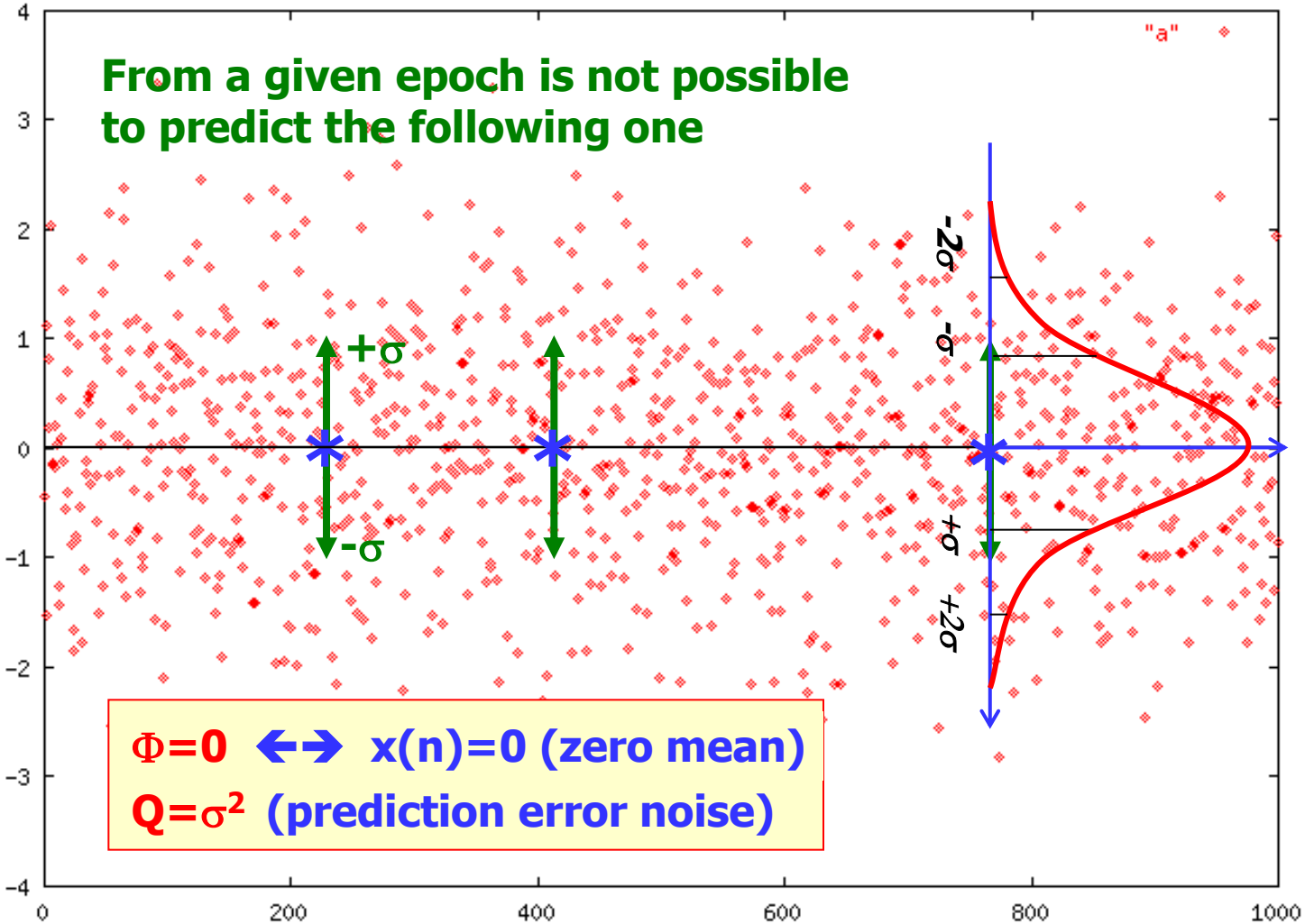
$Q=0$ (no prediction error)

We can assure that, the next **x(n)** will be **the same as x(n-1).**

$$\hat{X}^{-}(n) = \Phi(n-1)\cdot\hat{X}(n-1)$$

$$P_{\hat{X}^{-}(n)} = \Phi(n-1)\cdot P_{\hat{X}(n-1)}\cdot\Phi^{t}(n-1) + Q(n-1)$$

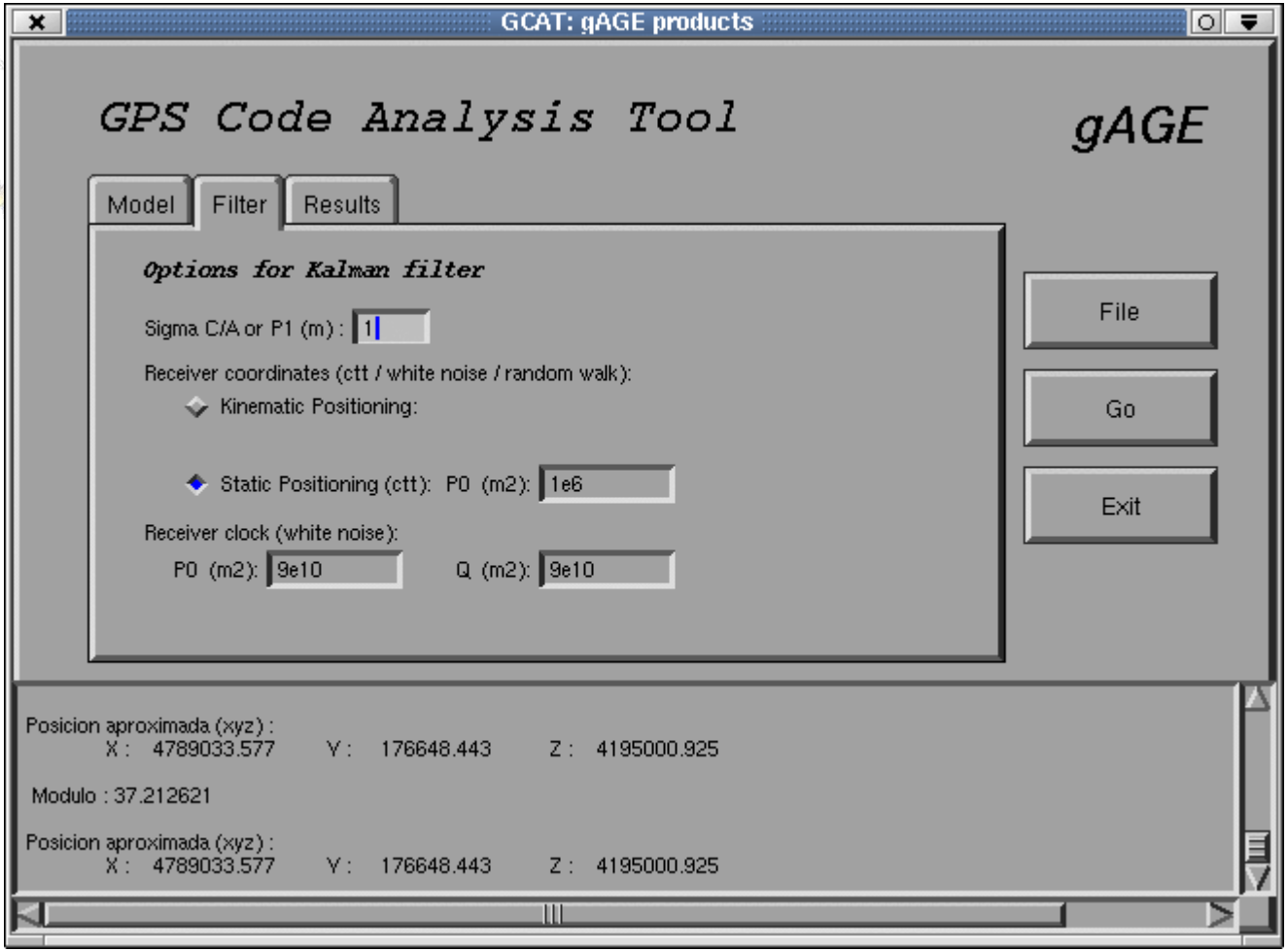
White Noise process N(0,1)



We only can assume that, the next **x(n)** can be **x(n)=0 with a confidence σ.**

$$\hat{X}^{-}(n) = \Phi(n-1)\cdot\hat{X}(n-1)$$

$$P_{\hat{X}^{-}(n)} = \Phi(n-1)\cdot P_{\hat{X}(n-1)}\cdot\Phi^{t}(n-1) + Q(n-1)$$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Kinematic Positioning:
Static Positioning (ctt): P0 (m2): 1e6
Receiver clock (white noise):
P0 (m2): 9e10
Q (m2): 9e10
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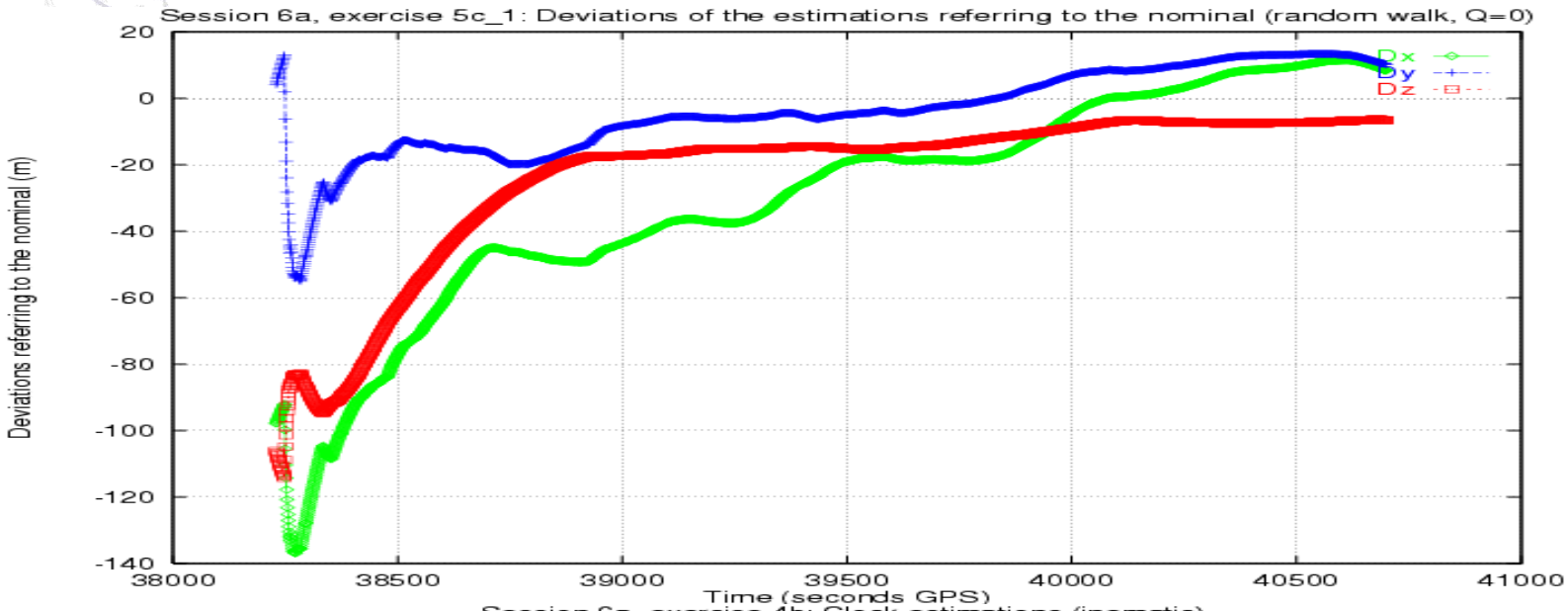
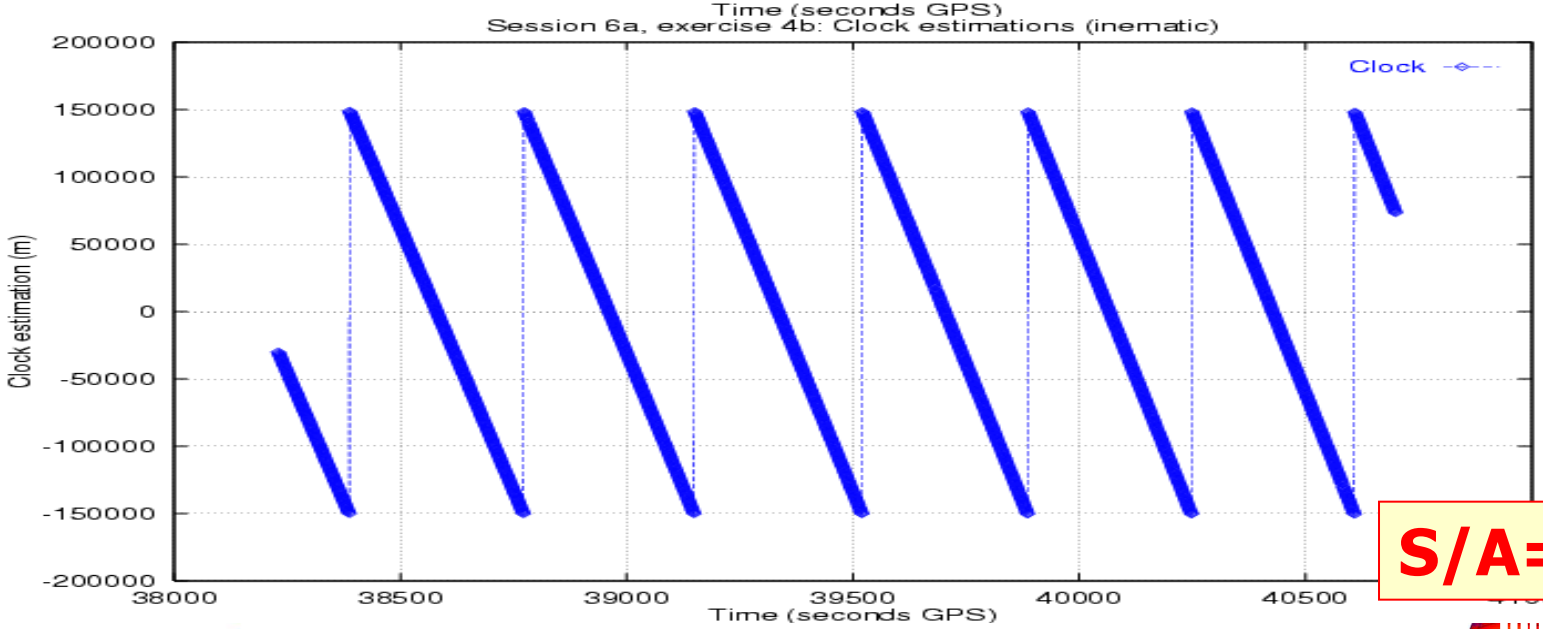
Static positioning: constant coordinates and white noise clock





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b) Kinematic positioning

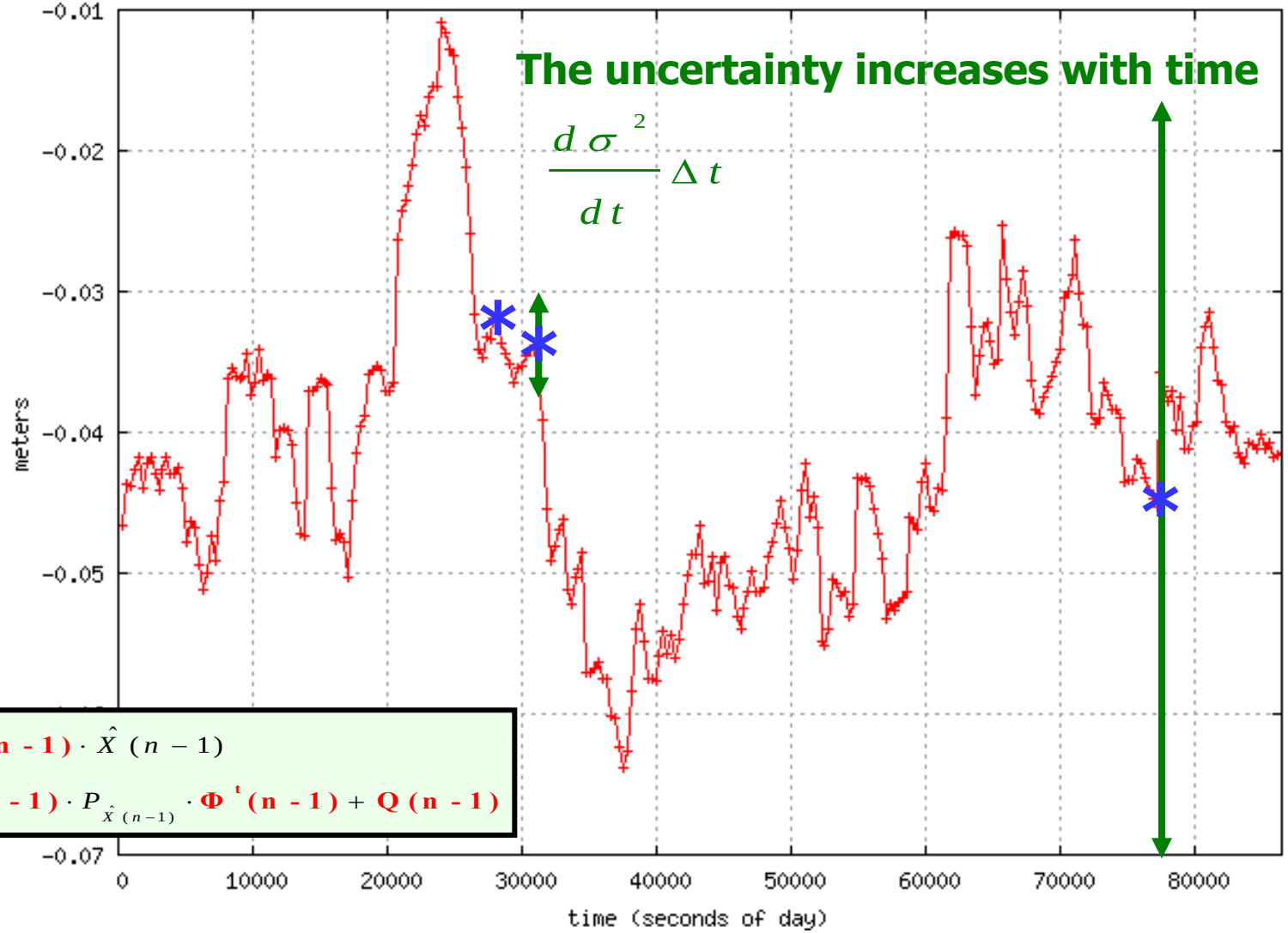
1) In case of a fast moving vehicle, coordinates will be modeled as **white noise** with zero mean, and the same rationale applies for clock offset:

$$\mathbf{\Phi}(n) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & & & \\ & 0 & & & \\ & & 0 & & \\ & & & 0 & \\ & & & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{Q}(n) = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{dx}^2 & & & & \\ & \sigma_{dy}^2 & & & \\ & & \sigma_{dz}^2 & & \\ & & & \sigma_{DT}^2 & \\ & & & & \sigma_{DT}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

2) In case of a slow moving vehicle, coordinates may be modeled as **random walk**, process' spectral density $\dot{q} = \frac{d\sigma^2}{dt}$, and the clock as a **white noise**:

$$\mathbf{\Phi}(n) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & 1 & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & 0 & \\ & & & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{Q}(n) = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{q}_{dx}\Delta t & & & & \\ & \dot{q}_{dy}\Delta t & & & \\ & & \dot{q}_{dz}\Delta t & & \\ & & & \sigma_{DT}^2 & \\ & & & & \sigma_{DT}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Random Walk process: it varies slowly

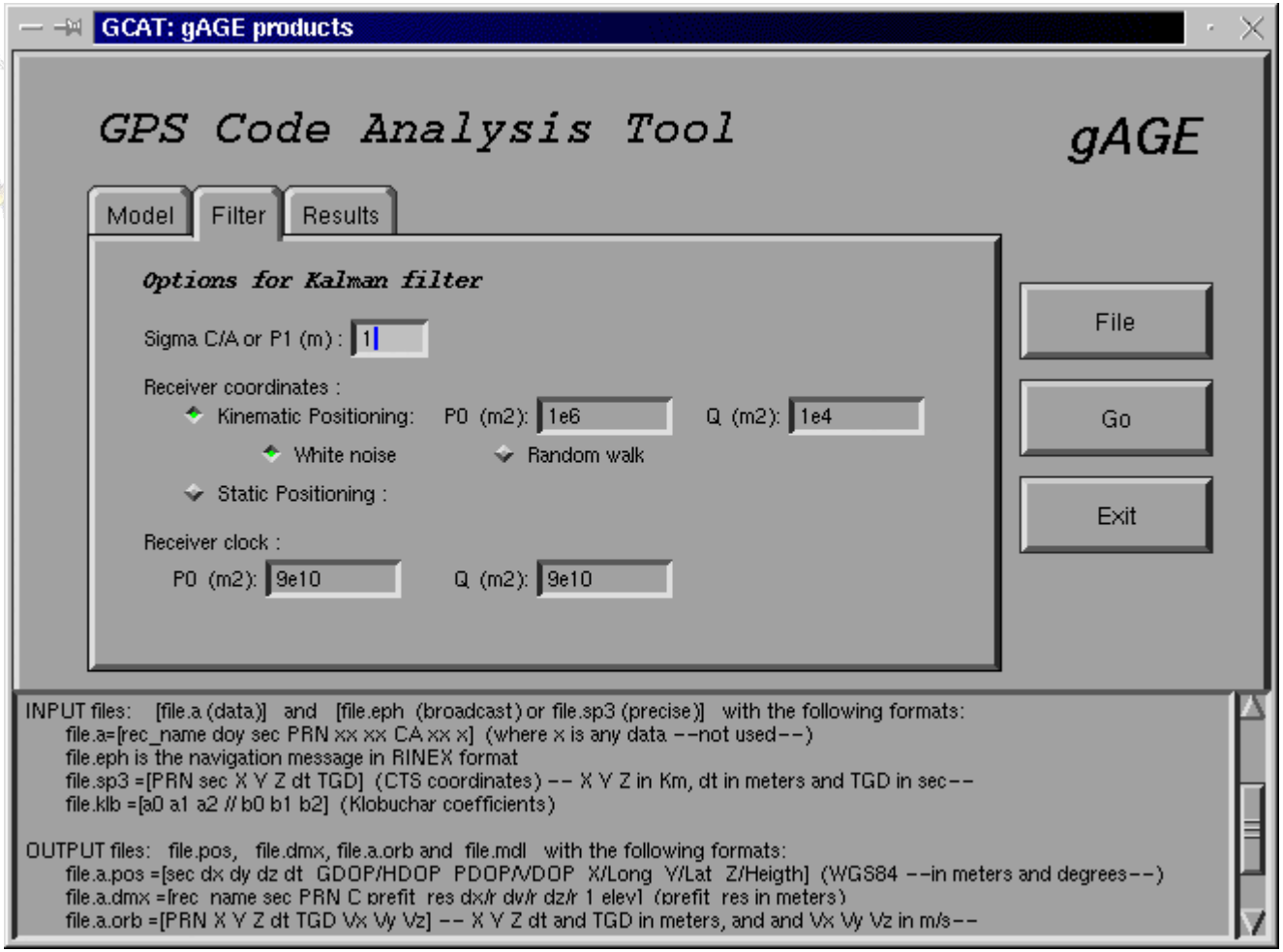


$$\hat{X}^-(n) = \Phi(n-1)\cdot\hat{X}(n-1)$$

$$P_{\hat{X}^-(n)} = \Phi(n-1)\cdot P_{\hat{X}(n-1)}\cdot\Phi^t(n-1) + Q(n-1)$$

$\Phi=1$ ←→ x(n)=x(n-1) (the same value is assumed)

$Q=(d\sigma^2/dt)*\Delta t$ (but, with prediction error noise increasing with time)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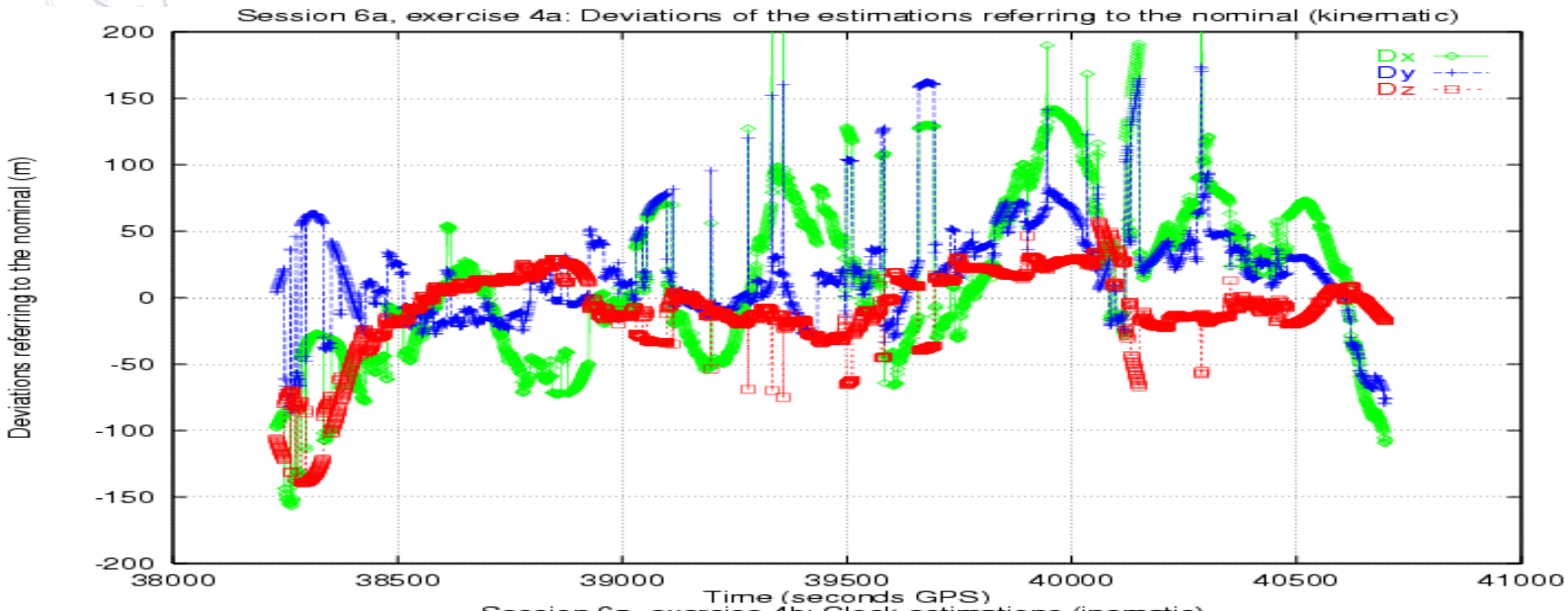
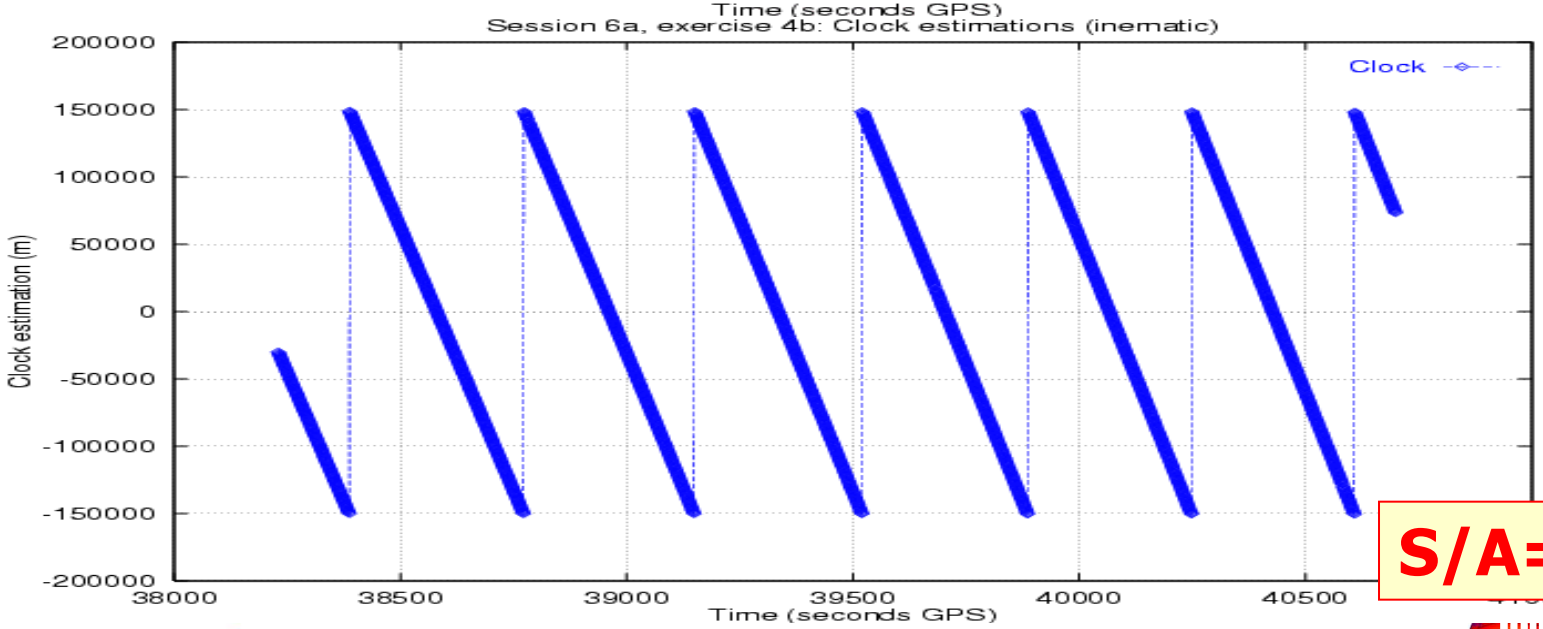
Pure Kinematic positioning: white noise coordinates and clock





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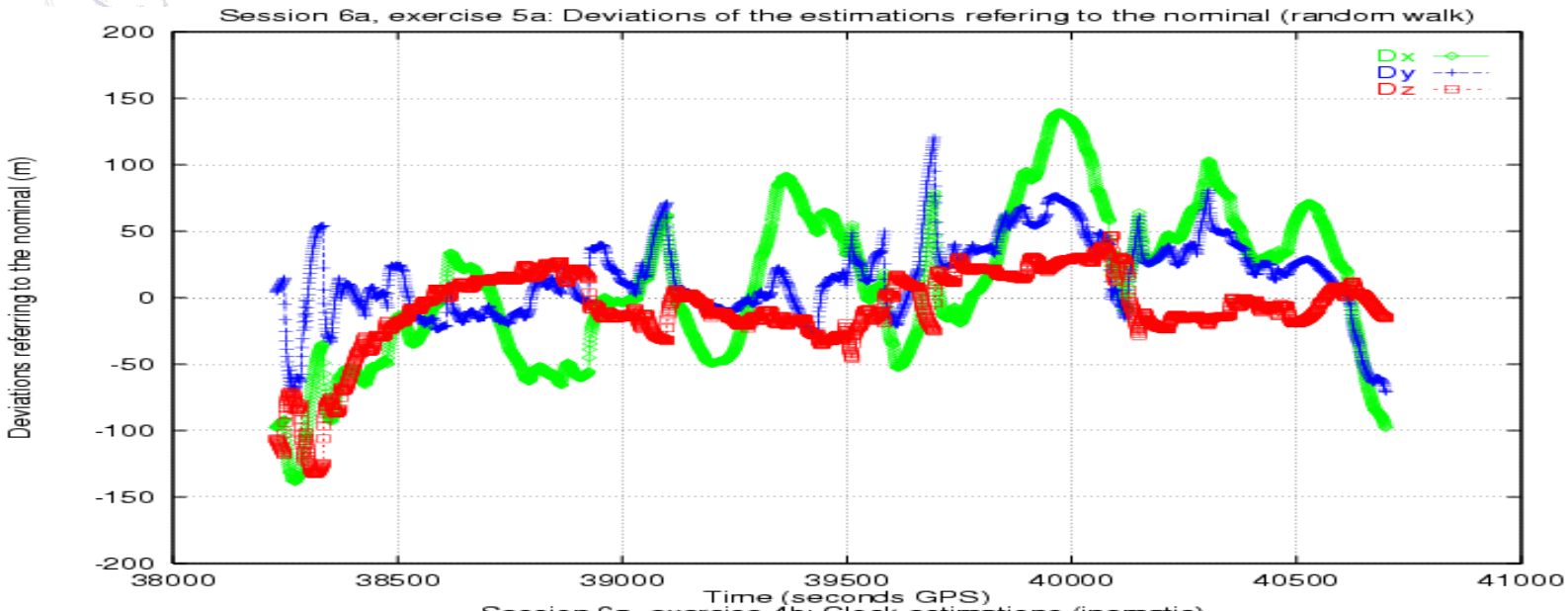
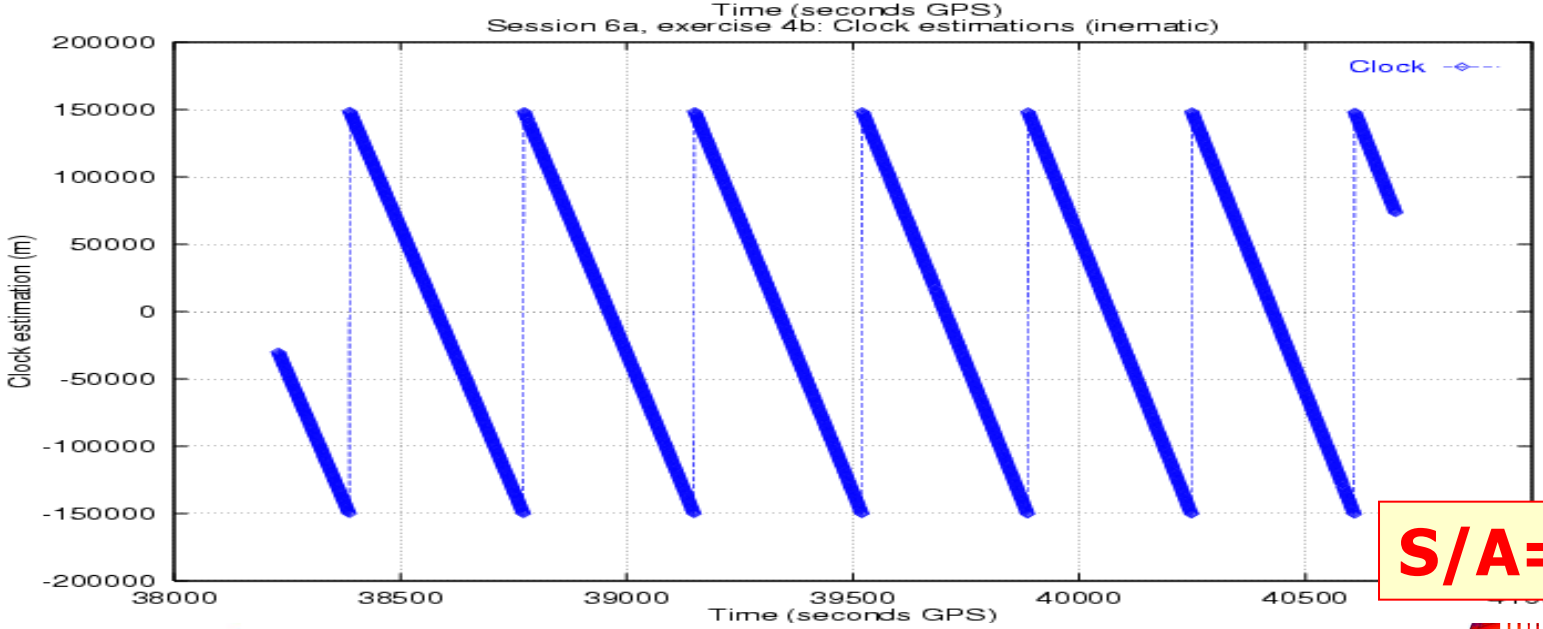
Kinematic positioning: random walk noise coordinates and white noise clock





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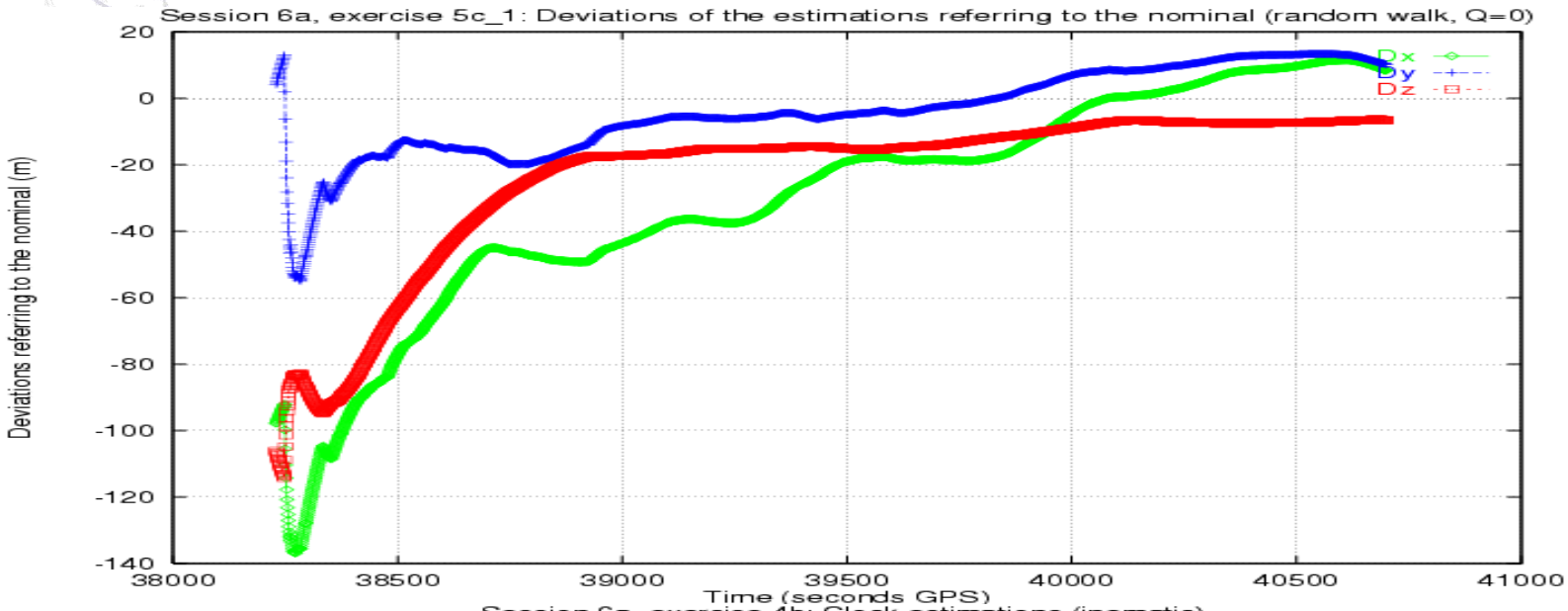
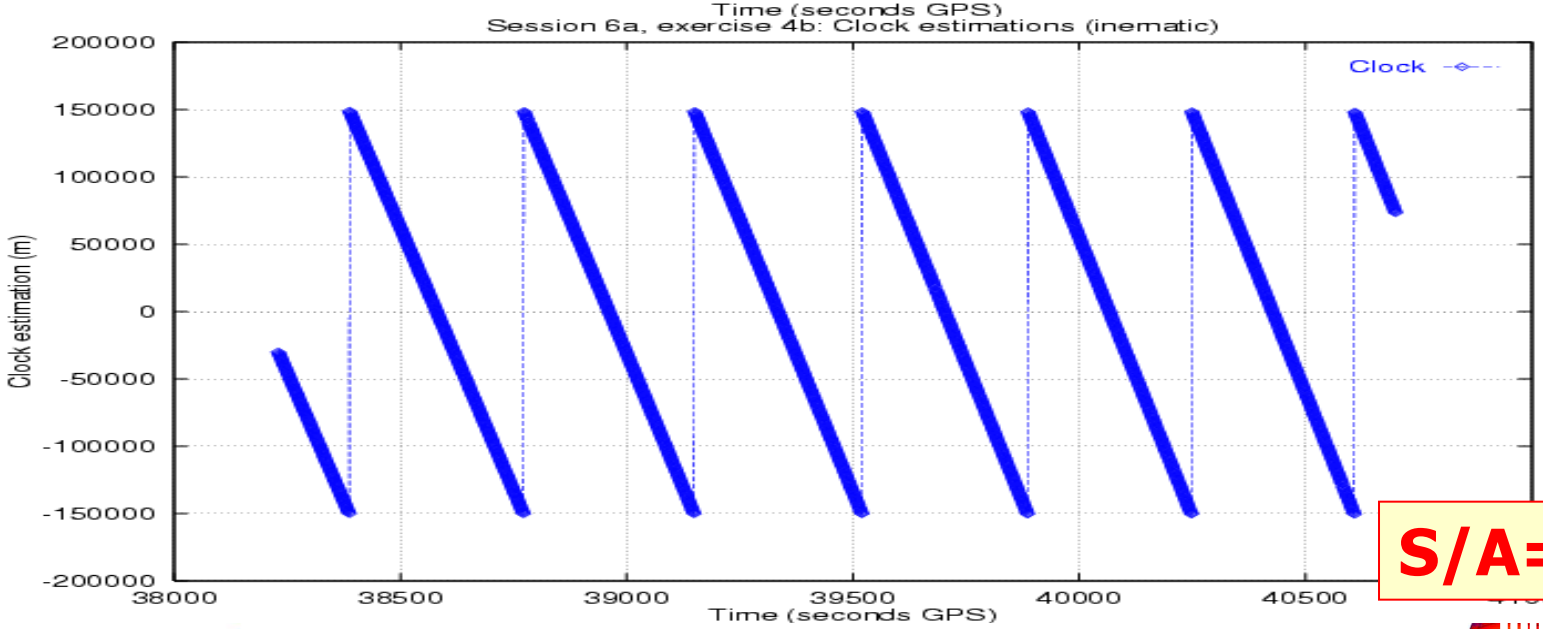
Positioning: Random walk coordinates with Q=0 and white noise clock





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Annex

Bancroft method for direct estimation of receiver position and clock offset

Bancroft method allows to get a direct solution of receiver coordinates and clock offset *(x,y,z,DT)*, without any "a priori" knowledge. So, this method may be used to obtain the initial value (x_0, y_0, z_0) for navigation equations (cold start)

$$\begin{cases} P^1 = \sqrt{(x - x^1)^2 + (y - y^1)^2 + (z - z^1)^2} + cDT \\ \vdots \\ P^n = \sqrt{(x - x^n)^2 + (y - y^n)^2 + (z - z^n)^2} + cDT \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ cDT \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{M}\ \mathbf{B}^{-1}(\lambda\,\mathbf{1} + \mathbf{a})$$

Where:

$$\left\langle \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{1} \right\rangle \lambda^2 + 2\left[\left\langle \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{a} \right\rangle - 1\right]\lambda + \left\langle \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{a} \right\rangle = 0$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} x^1 & y^1 & z^1 & P^1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x^n & y^n & z^n & P^n \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ a_4 \end{bmatrix} \qquad a_j = \frac{1}{2}\left\langle \begin{bmatrix} x^j \\ y^j \\ z^j \\ P^j \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} x^j \\ y^j \\ z^j \\ P^j \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle$$

Satellite coordinates

Measured pseudorange

$$\langle \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \rangle = [a_1, , a_2, a_3, a_4] \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ b_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Comments:

- To improve the estimation, the measured pseudorange can be substituted by:

$$P^j \rightarrow P^j + dt^j - rel^j - TGD^j$$

Nevertheless, to compute the ionospheric and tropospheric delay, the receiver coordinates are needed.

- Thence, after computing the approximate receiver coordinates, a second iteration is needed to compute the solution using all the corrections (which is done using the linearized equations).

Lesson 7

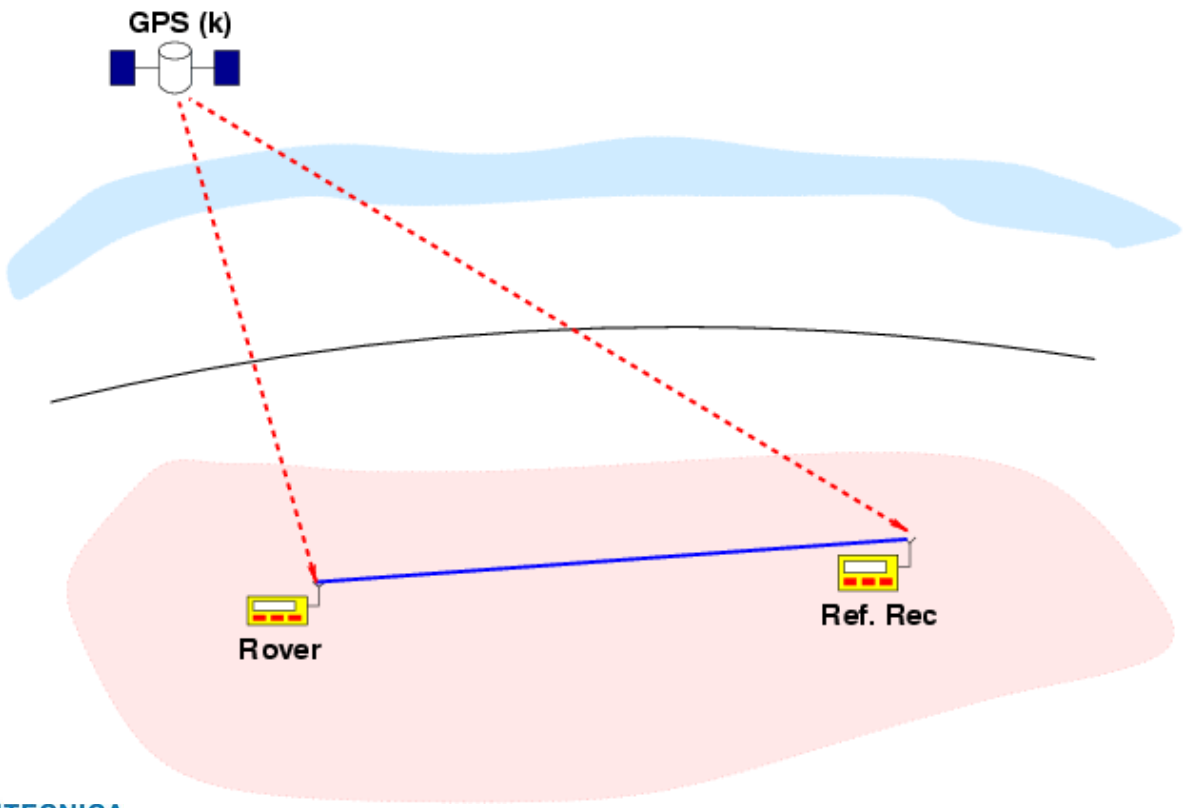
Code and phase differential positioning.

Floating versus fixing ambiguities

Differential Positioning

A receiver (rover) is positioned regarding to another receiver (reference) whose coordinates are known.

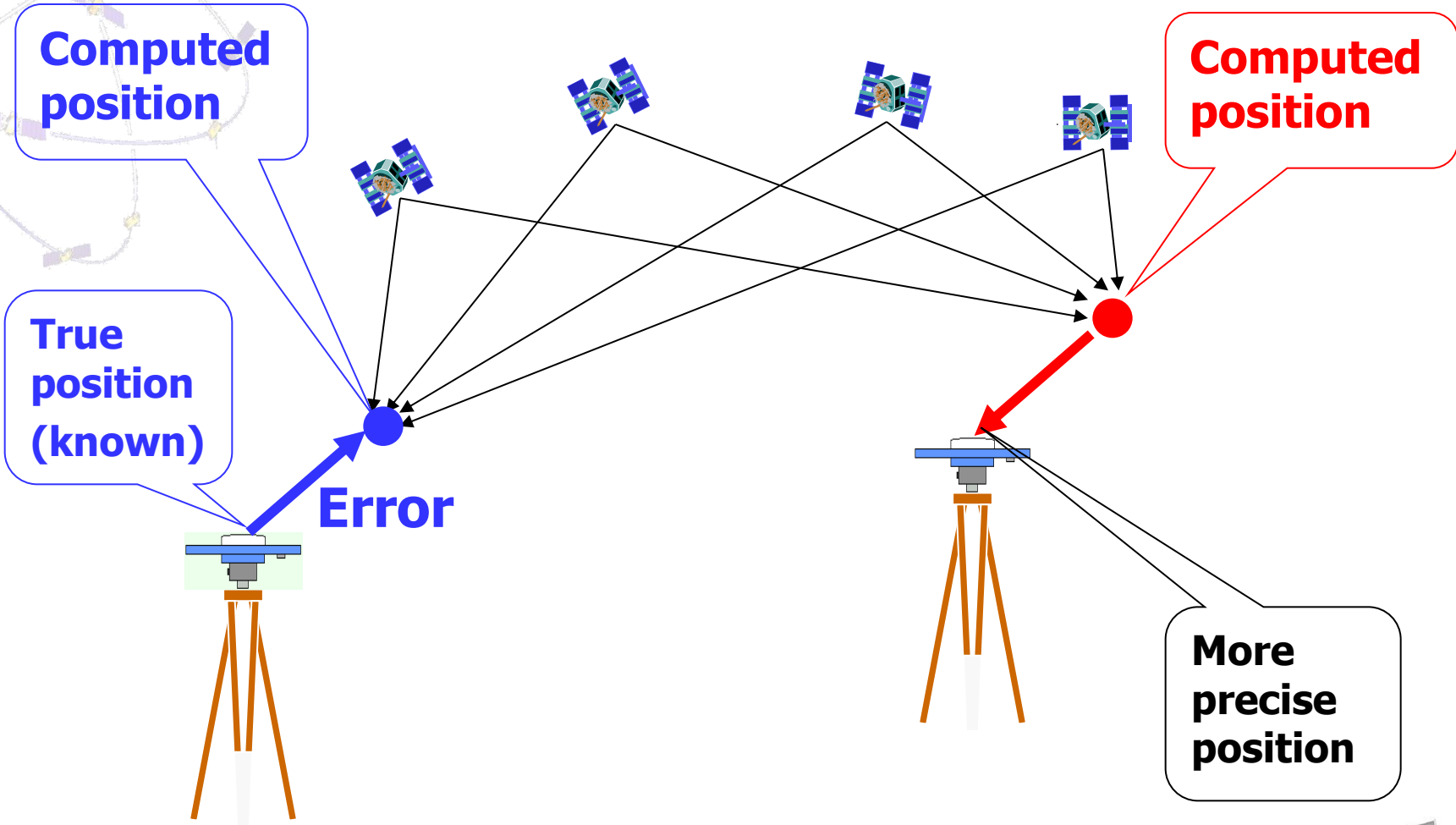
It allows to cancel out most of the common errors between both receivers, improving dramatically the positioning accuracy.



ERRORS on the Signal

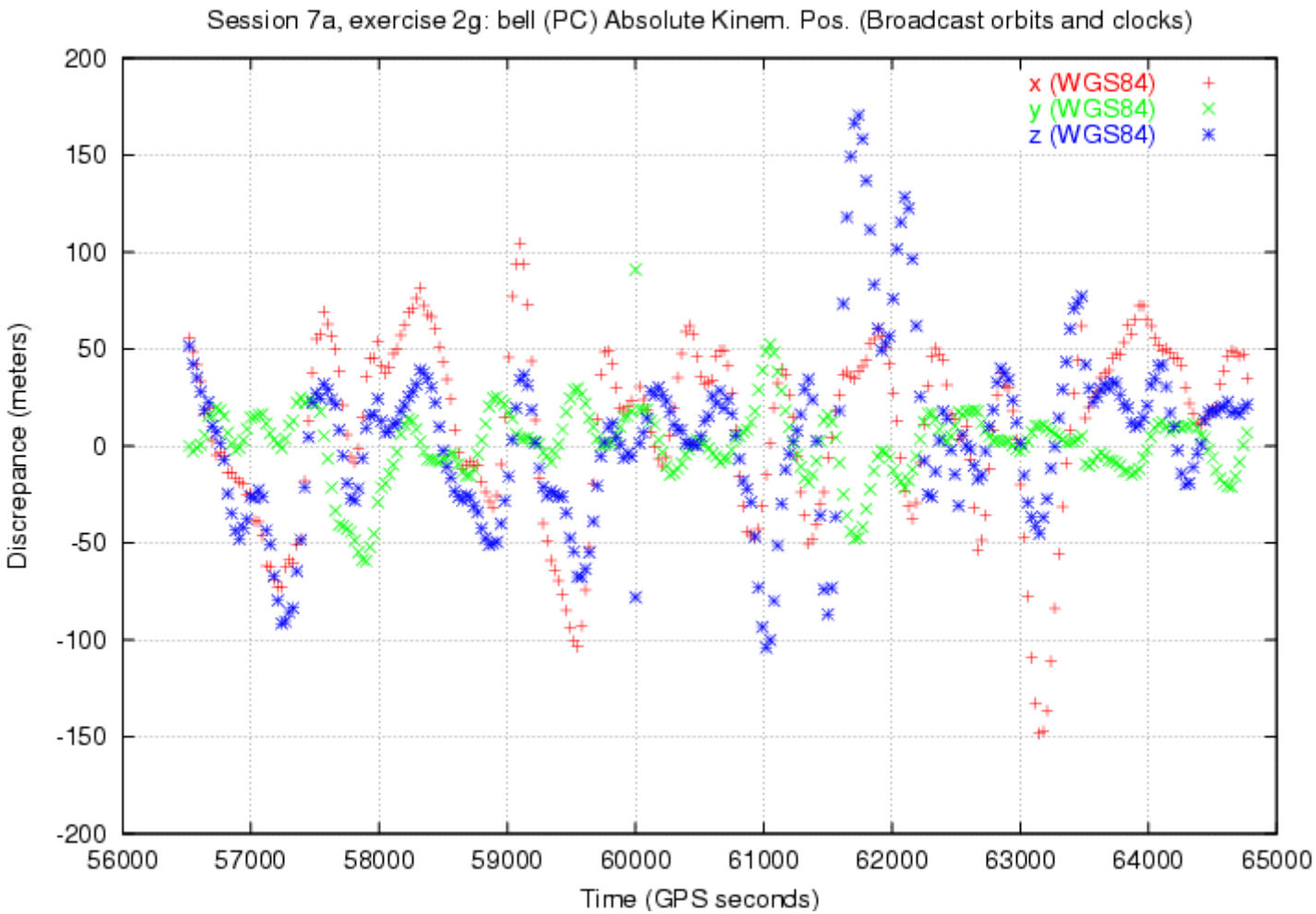
- Space Segment Errors:
  - Clock errors — Common
  - Ephemeris errors
- Propagation Errors — Strong spatial correlation
  - Ionospheric delay
  - Tropospheric delay — Weak spatial correlation
- Local Errors — No spatial correlation
  - Multipath
  - Receiver noise

DIFFERENTIAL GPS (DGPS) with code



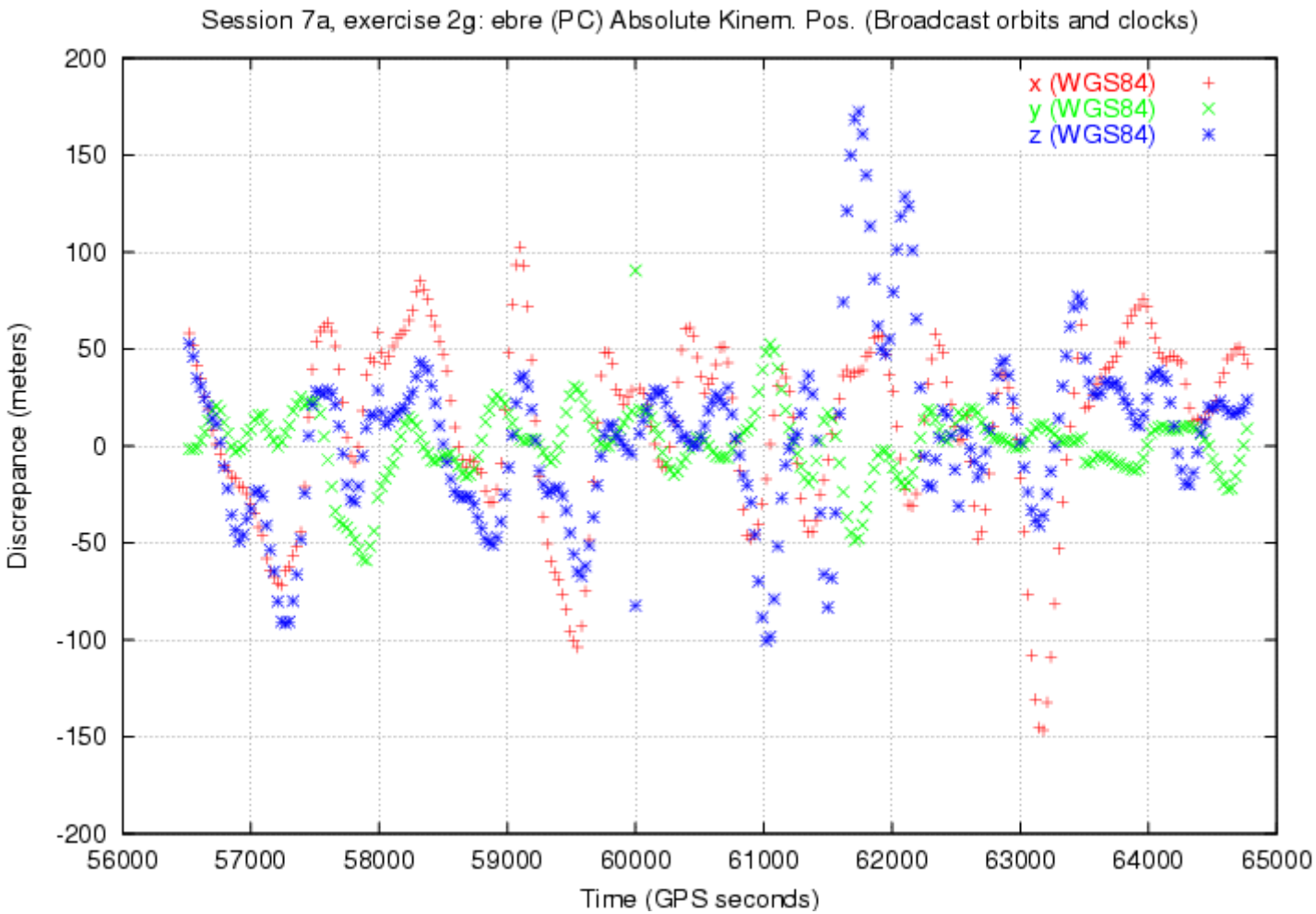
In short baselines, similar errors are expected

bell: Absolute positioning (S/A=on)



Positioning error in station "bell" (S/A=on)

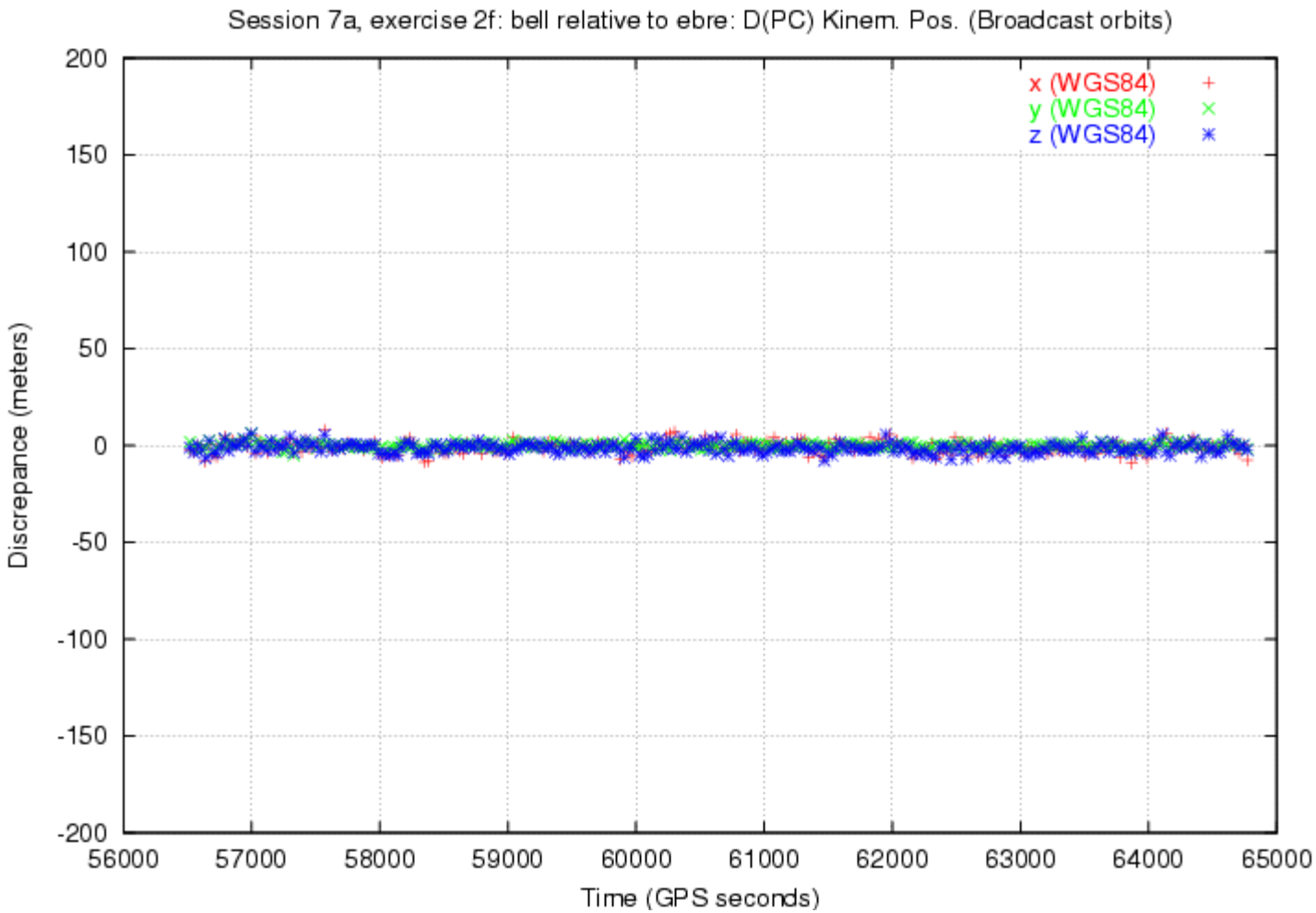
ebre: Absolute positioning (S/A=on)



Basically, the same errors are found in station "ebre", 100Km far from "bell"

(the same satellites are used in the navigation solution)

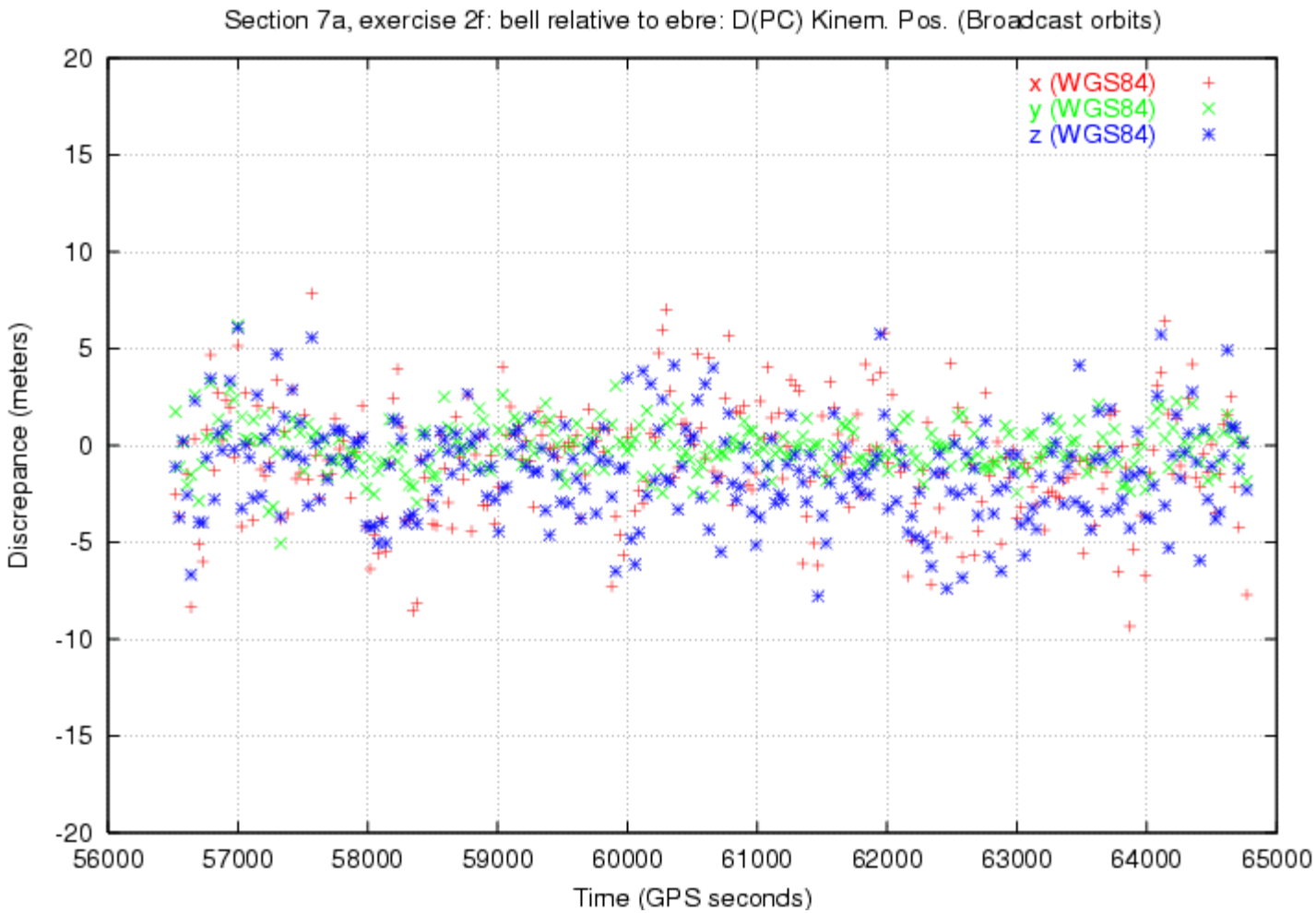
bell-ebre (S/A=on)



Most of the errors cancels out when computing the difference between errors in "ebre" and "bell".

(the same satellites are used in the navigation solution)

bell-ebre (S/A=on)



Zoom of previous plot

In the previous example, the differential error has been cancelled in the "position" domain.

But:

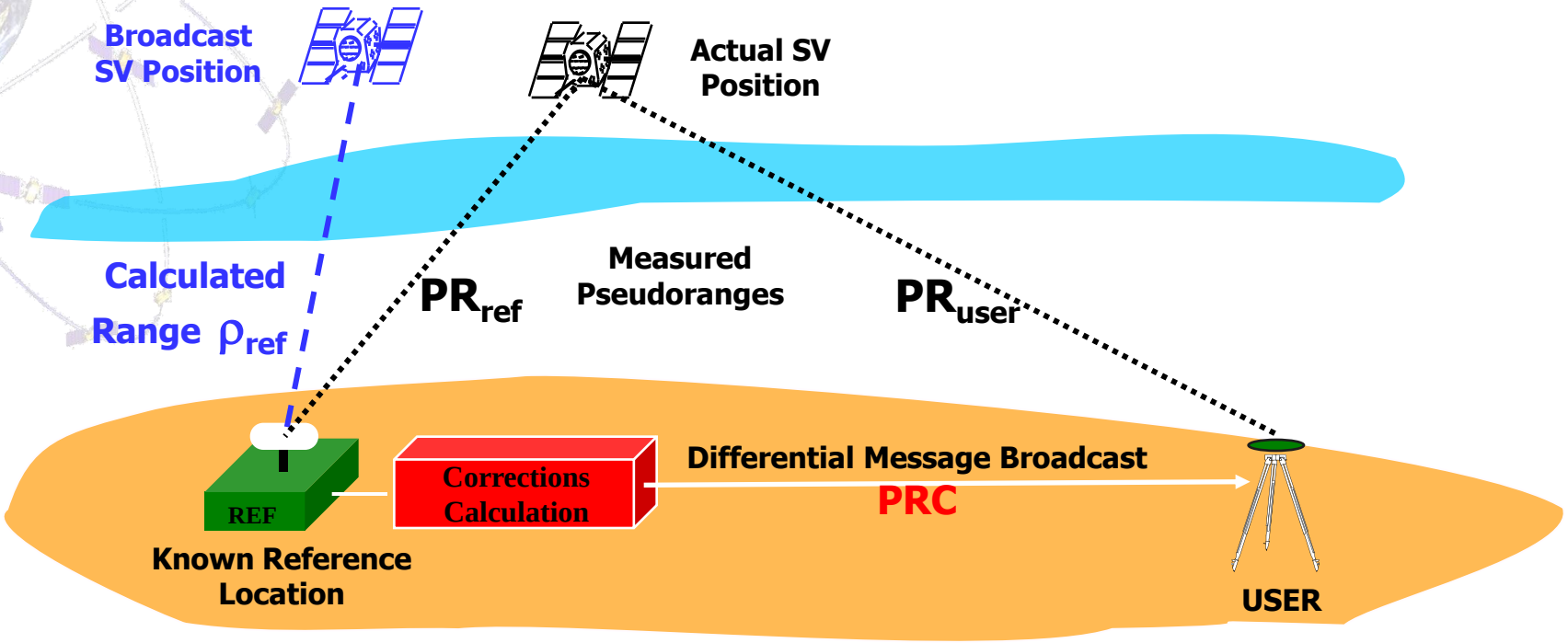
- It requires to use the same satellites in both stations.

Thence, is much better to solve the problem in the "pseudorange" domain than in the "position" domain.

Concept:

- A reference station (its exact position is known) computes a differential correction for each satellite in view.
- The user applies this correction to remove most part of the common errors in pseudorange.

Range Differential Correction Calculation



- The first receiver, in a reference station, can calculate these errors knowing its exact location (corrections "PRC" calculated by the ground station): $PRC = PR_{ref} - \rho_{ref}$
- The second receiver (the user) will use these corrections to adjust its own measurements and increase the accuracy of these measurements: $PR_{user} - PRC$

1. Differential positioning (with simple differences)

Let's P^j_{rov} and P^j_{ref} be code measurements of rover (rov) and reference station (ref), respectively, for satellite "*j*". Thence:

$$
\begin{aligned}
Prefit^j_{rov} &= \frac{x_{0,rov} - x^j}{\rho^j_{0,rov}} dx_{rov} + \frac{y_{0,rov} - y^j}{\rho^j_{0,rov}} dy_{rov} + \frac{z_{0,rov} - z^j}{\rho^j_{0,rov}} dz_{rov} + cDT_{rov} + \varepsilon^j_{rov} \\
Prefit^j_{ref} &= 0 + 0 + 0 + cDT_{ref} + \varepsilon^j_{ref}
\end{aligned}
$$

Introducing the following notation to symbolize the simple difference of measurements $\Delta \square^j \equiv \square^j_{rov} - \square^j_{ref}$, the difference of previous equation can be written as:

$$
\Delta Prefit^j = \frac{x_{0,rov} - x^j}{\rho^j_{0,rov}} dx_{rov} + \frac{y_{0,rov} - y^j}{\rho^j_{0,rov}} dy_{rov} + \frac{z_{0,rov} - z^j}{\rho^j_{0,rov}} dz_{rov} + \Delta(cDT) + \Delta\varepsilon^j
$$

And, considering all satellites in view from both receivers, the following equation system can be written. This system is similar to that of absolute positioning, but the relative clock between both receivers is instead estimated: $\Delta(cDT)=cDT_{rov}-cDT_{ref}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta Prefit^1 \\ \Delta Prefit^2 \\ \cdots\cdots \\ \Delta Prefit^n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x_{o,rov}-x^1}{\rho^1_{0,rov}} & \frac{y_{o,rov}-y^1}{\rho^1_{0,rov}} & \frac{z_{o,rov}-z^1}{\rho^1_{0,rov}} & 1 \\ \frac{x_{o,rov}-x^2}{\rho^2_{0,rov}} & \frac{y_{o,rov}-y^2}{\rho^2_{0,rov}} & \frac{z_{o,rov}-z^2}{\rho^2_{0,rov}} & 1 \\ & \cdots\cdots\cdots & & \\ \frac{x_{o,rov}-x^n}{\rho^n_{0,rov}} & \frac{y_{o,rov}-y^n}{\rho^n_{0,rov}} & \frac{z_{o,rov}-z^n}{\rho^n_{0,rov}} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} dx_{rov} \\ dy_{rov} \\ dz_{rov} \\ \boxed{\Delta(cDT)} \end{bmatrix}$$

This system can be solved applying the same mathematic tools than in absolute positioning (LMS, WMS, Kalman filtering,...)

Residual GPS Pseudorange Errors

	Without DGPS Correction		Zero Basline Zero Latency DGPS		Decorrelation with Latency		Geographic Decorrelation (m/100 Km)
ERRORS	**Bias (meters)**	**Random (meters)**	**Bias (meters)**	**Random (meters)**	**Velocity (m/s)**	**Acceleration (m/s2)**	
Receiver Noise	**0.5**	**0.2**	**0.5**	**0.3**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**
Multipath	**0.3 to 3.0**	**0.2 to 1.0**	**0.4 to 3.0**	**0.2 to 1.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**
Satellite Clock (S/A=off)	**2.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.10**	**0.02**	**0.004**	**0.0**
Satellite Clock (S/A=on)	**21.0**	**0.1**	**0.0**	**0.14**	**0.21**	**0.004**	**0.0**
Ephemeris (S/A=off)	**10.0 (extreme)**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**negl.**	**negl.**	**<0.05**
Ephemeris (S/A=on)	**100.0 (extreme)**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**<0.01**	**<0.001**	**<0.5**
Ionosphere (raw iono)	**2 to 10 (times obliquity)**	**<0.1 (times obliquity)**	**0.0**	**<0.14**	**0.092**	**negli.**	**<0.2**
Troposphere	**2 (times obliquity)**	**<0.1 (times obliquity)**	**0.0**	**<0.14**	**negl.**	**negli.**	**<0.05**

2. Differential positioning with double differences

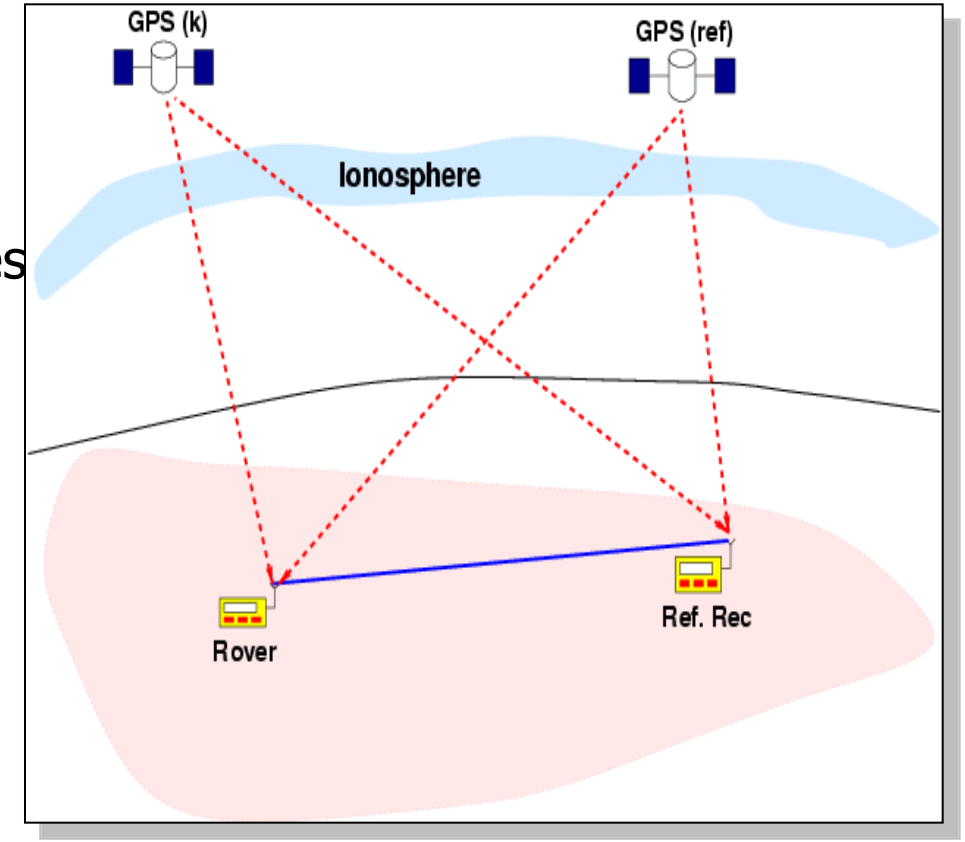
Taking one station and one satellite as a reference, the double differences between satellites and stations can be computed from the single ones

$$\Delta \square^{\bullet} \equiv \square^{\bullet}_{rov} - \square^{\bullet}_{ref}$$

$$\nabla \square^{\bullet} \equiv \square^{j}_{\bullet} - \square^{R}_{\bullet}$$

$$\Delta \nabla \square \equiv \Delta \square^{j} - \Delta \square^{R} =$$

$$= \nabla \square_{rov} - \nabla \square_{ref}$$



Thence:

$$\Delta \nabla \square^{j} = \left[\square^{j}_{rov} - \square^{j}_{ref}\right] - \left[\square^{R}_{rov} - \square^{R}_{ref}\right] = \left[\square^{j}_{rov} - \square^{R}_{rov}\right] - \left[\square^{j}_{ref} - \square^{R}_{ref}\right]$$

Double differences of measurement equations:

$$Prefit_{rov}^{j} = \frac{x_{0,rov} - x^{j}}{\rho_{0,rov}^{j}} dx_{rov} + \frac{y_{0,rov} - y^{j}}{\rho_{0,rov}^{j}} dy_{rov} + \frac{z_{0,rov} - z^{j}}{\rho_{0,rov}^{j}} dz_{rov} + \cancel{cDT_{rov}} + \varepsilon_{rov}^{j}$$

$$Prefit_{rov}^{R} = \frac{x_{0,rov} - x^{R}}{\rho_{0,rov}^{R}} dx_{rov} + \frac{y_{0,rov} - y^{R}}{\rho_{0,rov}^{R}} dy_{rov} + \frac{z_{0,rov} - z^{R}}{\rho_{0,rov}^{R}} dz_{rov} + \cancel{cDT_{rov}} + \varepsilon_{rov}^{R}$$

$$Prefit_{ref}^{j} = 0 + 0 + 0 + \cancel{cDT_{ref}} + \varepsilon_{ref}^{j}$$

$$Prefit_{ref}^{R} = 0 + 0 + 0 + \cancel{cDT_{ref}} + \varepsilon_{ref}^{R}$$

$$\Delta\nabla Prefit^{j} = \nabla\left[\frac{x_{0,rov} - x^{j}}{\rho_{0,rov}^{j}}\right] dx_{rov} + \nabla\left[\frac{y_{0,rov} - y^{j}}{\rho_{0,rov}^{j}}\right] dy_{rov} + \nabla\left[\frac{z_{0,rov} - z^{j}}{\rho_{0,rov}^{j}}\right] dz_{rov} + \Delta\nabla\varepsilon^{j}$$

Where:

$$\Delta\nabla Prefit^{j} \equiv \left[Prefit_{rov}^{j} - Prefit_{rov}^{R}\right] - \left[Prefit_{ref}^{j} - Prefit_{ref}^{R}\right]$$

$$\nabla\left[\frac{x_{0,rov} - x^{j}}{\rho_{0,rov}^{j}}\right] \equiv \frac{x_{0,rov} - x^{j}}{\rho_{0,rov}^{j}} - \frac{x_{0,rov} - x^{R}}{\rho_{0,rov}^{R}} \quad ; \quad \cdots$$

And applying the double differences to the measurement equations, it follows that:

$$\Delta\nabla Prefit^{j} = \nabla\left[\frac{x_{0,rov} - x^{j}}{\rho^{j}_{0,rov}}\right] dx_{rov} + \nabla\left[\frac{y_{0,rov} - y^{j}}{\rho^{j}_{0,rov}}\right] dy_{rov} + \nabla\left[\frac{z_{0,rov} - z^{j}}{\rho^{j}_{0,rov}}\right] dz_{rov} + \Delta\nabla\varepsilon^{j}$$

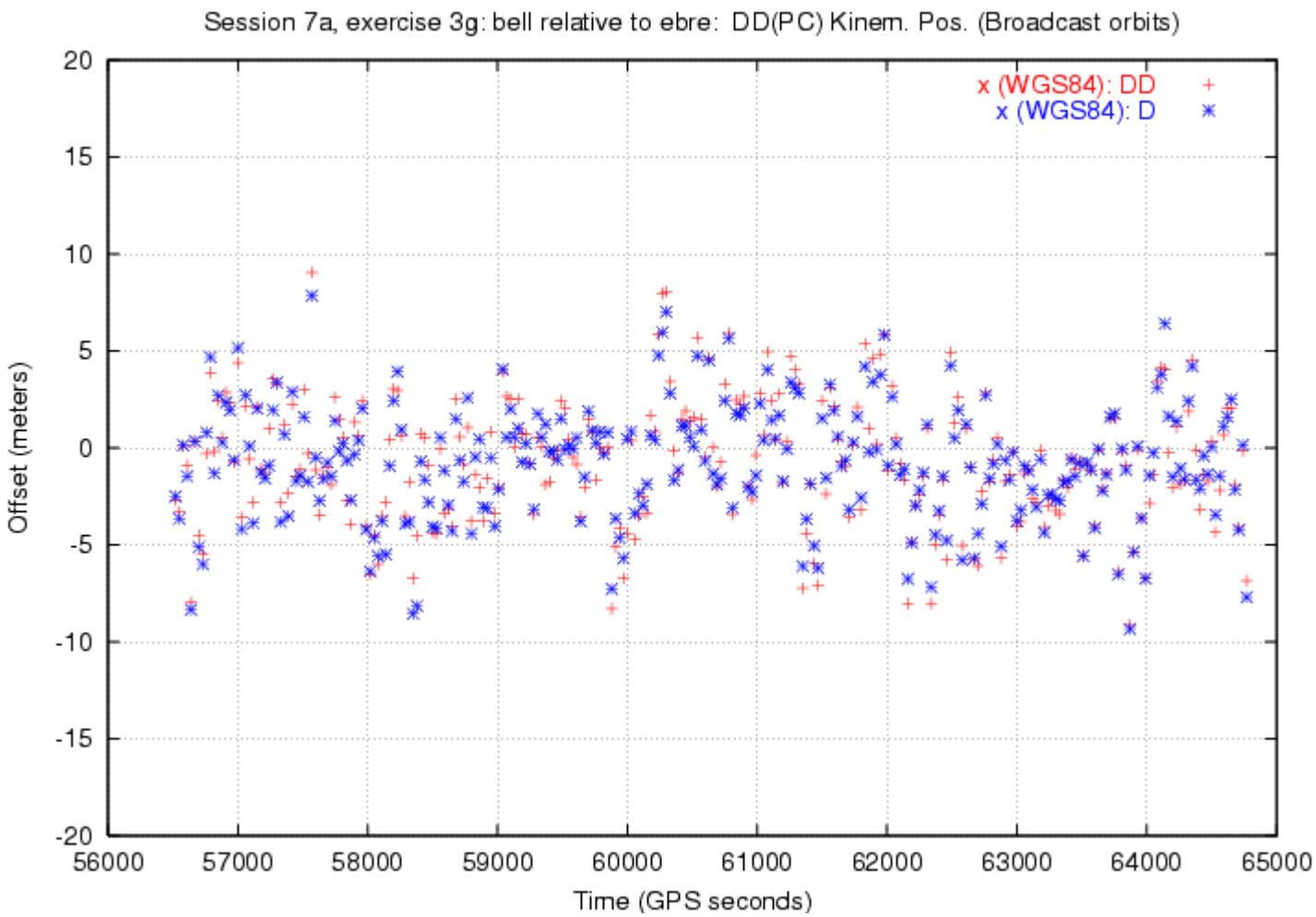
where:

$$\Delta\nabla(cDT) = \nabla\left[\Delta\left(cDT\right)\right] = 0$$

Considering all satellites in view from both receivers, the following equation system may be written, where the clock term is cancelled.

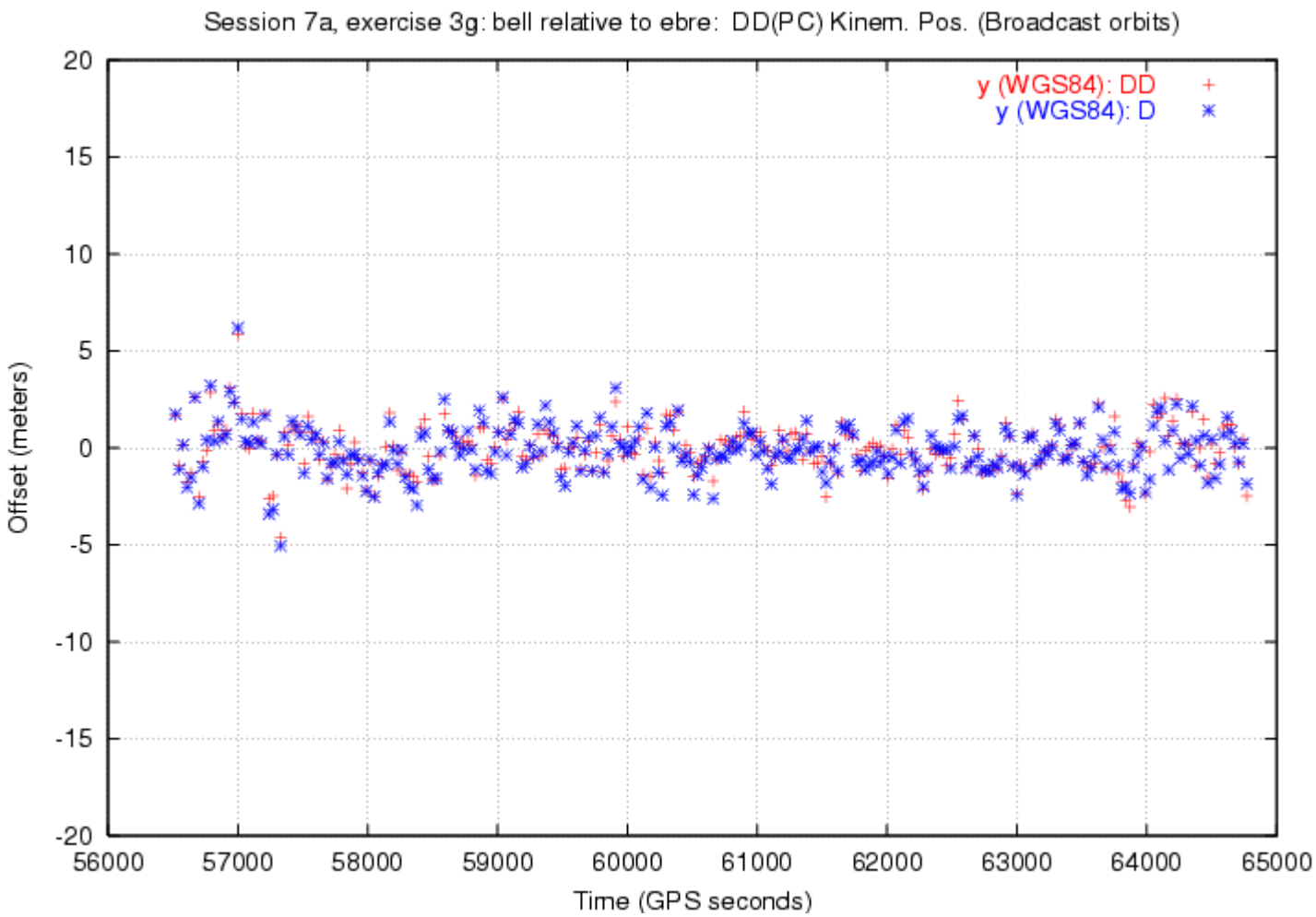
$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta\nabla Prefit^{1} \\ \Delta\nabla Prefit^{2} \\ \cdots\cdots \\ \Delta\nabla Prefit^{n} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla\left[\frac{x_{o,rov} - x^{1}}{\rho^{1}_{0,rov}}\right] & \nabla\left[\frac{y_{o,rov} - y^{1}}{\rho^{1}_{0,rov}}\right] & \nabla\left[\frac{z_{o,rov} - z^{1}}{\rho^{1}_{0,rov}}\right] \\ \nabla\left[\frac{x_{o,rov} - x^{2}}{\rho^{2}_{0,rov}}\right] & \nabla\left[\frac{y_{o,rov} - y^{2}}{\rho^{2}_{0,rov}}\right] & \nabla\left[\frac{z_{o,rov} - z^{2}}{\rho^{2}_{0,rov}}\right] \\ & \cdots\cdots\cdots & \\ \nabla\left[\frac{x_{o,rov} - x^{n}}{\rho^{n}_{0,rov}}\right] & \nabla\left[\frac{y_{o,rov} - y^{n}}{\rho^{n}_{0,rov}}\right] & \nabla\left[\frac{z_{o,rov} - z^{n}}{\rho^{n}_{0,rov}}\right] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} dx_{rov} \\ dy_{rov} \\ dz_{rov} \end{bmatrix}$$

Double versus Single difference: X (WGS-84)



Positioning error in station "bell" (S/A=on)

Double versus Single difference: Y (WGS-84)



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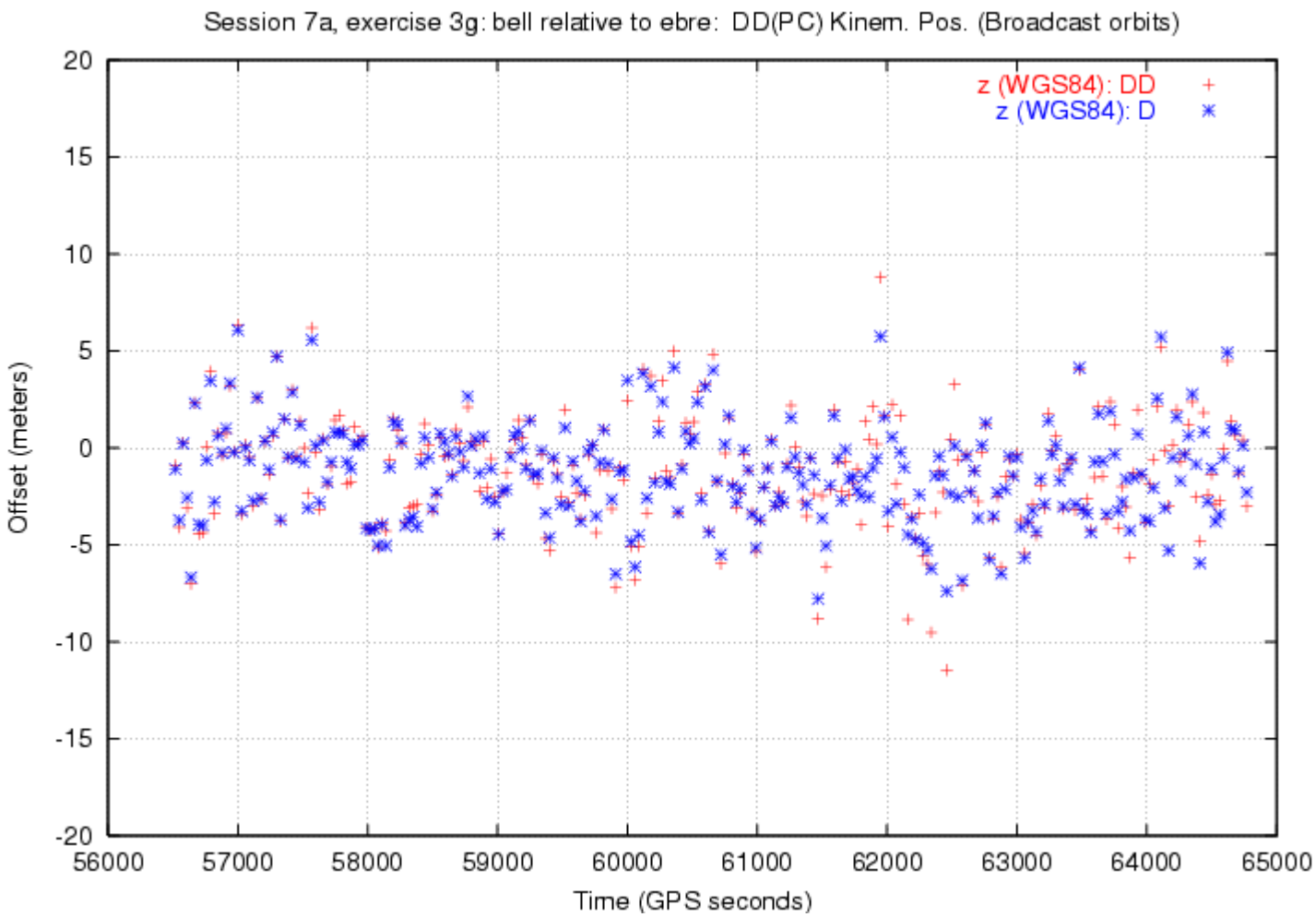

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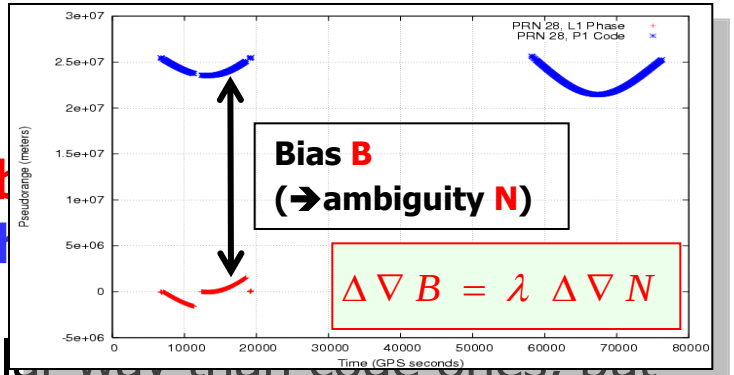
As it has been seen in the previous plots, double differences and single differences performs similar when positioning with code pseudoranges.

Nevertheless, doubles differences have an important application when positioning with carrier phases, in particular for the fixing ambiguities techniques.

3. Carrier phase positioning

3.1 Differential positioning with doub
and phase measurements (floating th



Phase measurements are modeled in simil
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=
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\end{pmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix} dx_{rov} \\ dy_{rov} \\ dz_{rov} \\ \Delta\nabla B_1 \\ \vdots \\ \Delta\nabla B_k \\ \vdots \\ \Delta\nabla B_l \\ \vdots \\ \Delta\nabla B_s \end{bmatrix}
$$

$$P^{sat}_{1sta} = \rho^{sat}_{sta} + c\cdot(dt_{sta} - dt^{sat}) + rel^{sat}_{sta} + Trop^{sat}_{sta} + Ion^{sat}_{1sta} + K_{1sta} + K_1^{sat} + \varepsilon$$

$$L^{sat}_{1sta} = \rho^{sat}_{sta} + c\cdot(dt_{sta} - dt^{sat}) + rel^{sat}_{sta} + Trop^{sat}_{sta} - Ion^{sat}_{1sta} + \boxed{k_{1sta} + k_1^{sat} + \lambda_1 N_1} + w_1 + \varepsilon$$

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3. Carrier phase positioning

3.1 Differential positioning with doub
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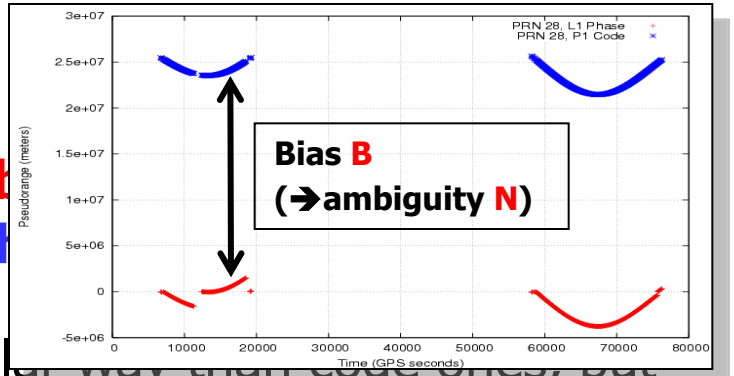

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\begin{pmatrix}
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\nabla\left[\frac{x_{o,rov}-x^1}{\rho^2_{0,rov}}\right] & \nabla\left[\frac{y_{o,rov}-y^1}{\rho^2_{0,rov}}\right] & \nabla\left[\frac{z_{o,rov}-z^1}{\rho^2_{0,rov}}\right] & 0 & \cdots & \underbrace{1}_{(k)} & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\
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\end{pmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix} dx_{rov} \\ dy_{rov} \\ dz_{rov} \\ \Delta\nabla B_1 \\ \vdots \\ \Delta\nabla B_k \\ \vdots \\ \Delta\nabla B_l \\ \vdots \\ \Delta\nabla B_s \end{bmatrix}
$$

This system can be solved with a **Kalman filter**, assuming **ambiguities** ***Δ∇B*** constant along continuous carrier phase arcs, and white noise at cycle-slips.

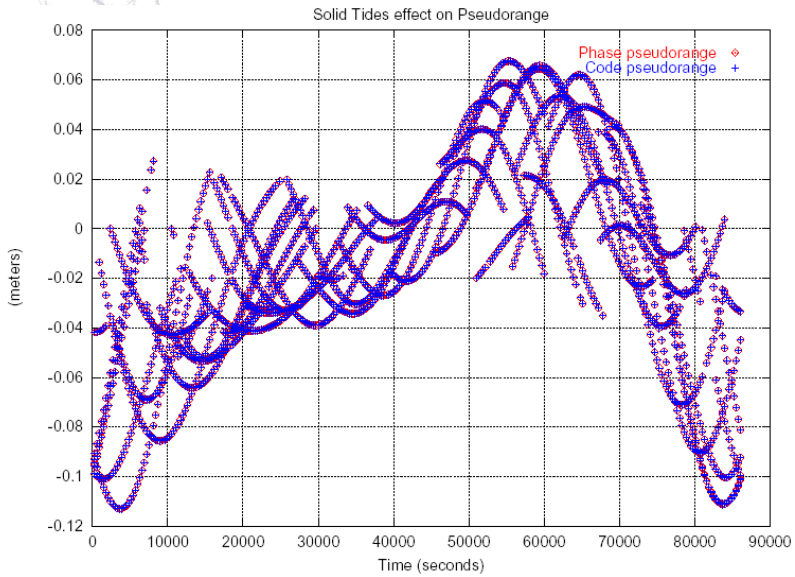
The tropospheric delay can be also estimated as a random walk

Comments:

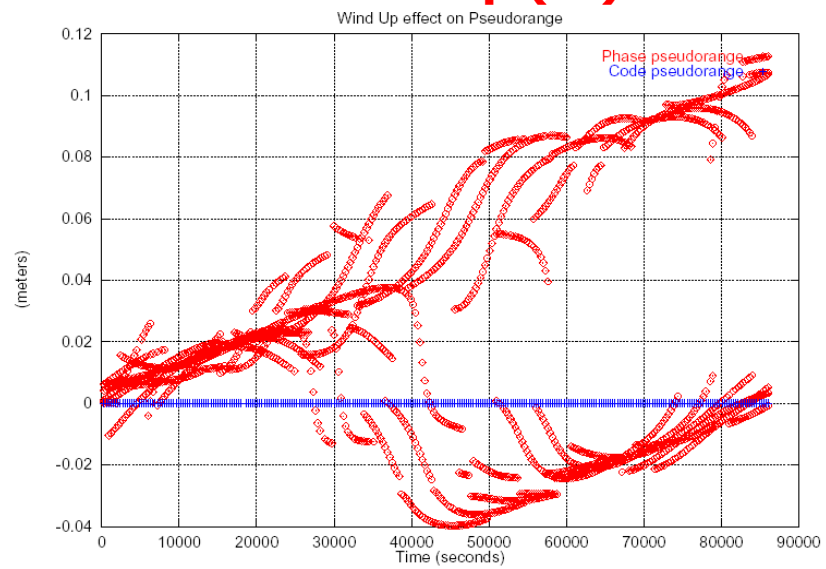
More accurate modeling for phase positioning is needed. It should involve:

- **Phase Wind-up** (the GPS signal is polarized wave)
- **Antenna Phase center** (satellite, receiver)
- **To estimate tropospheric delay** (wet: random walk)
- **To adjust broadcast orbits** (long baselines)
- **Tidal Effects** (in particular solid Earth Tides)

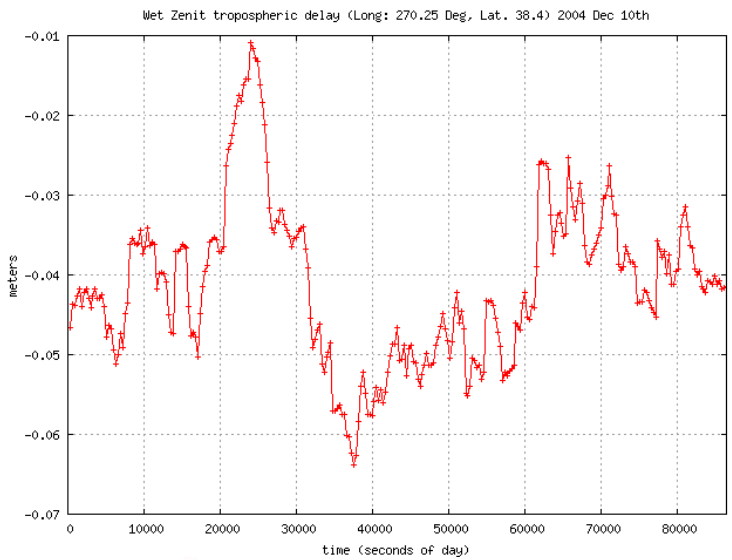
Solid Earth tides



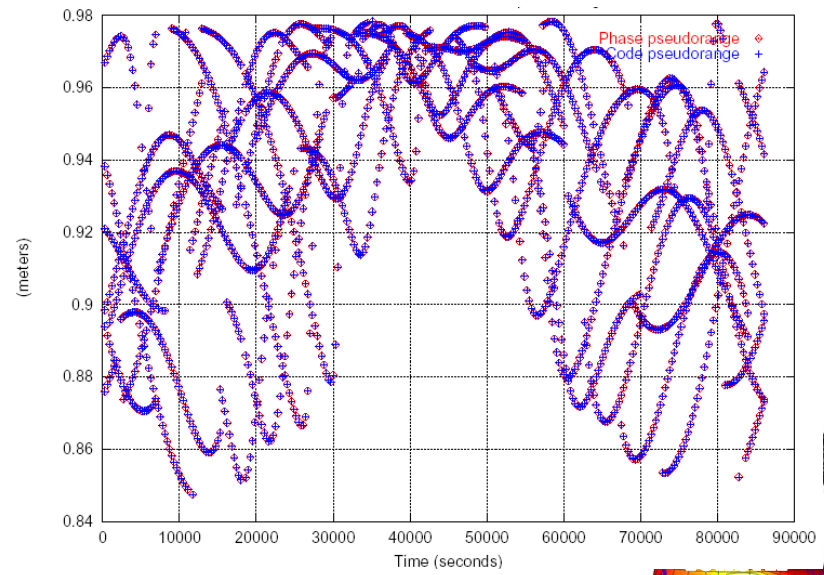
Wind-Up (Lc)



Wet Zenith Tropospheric delay

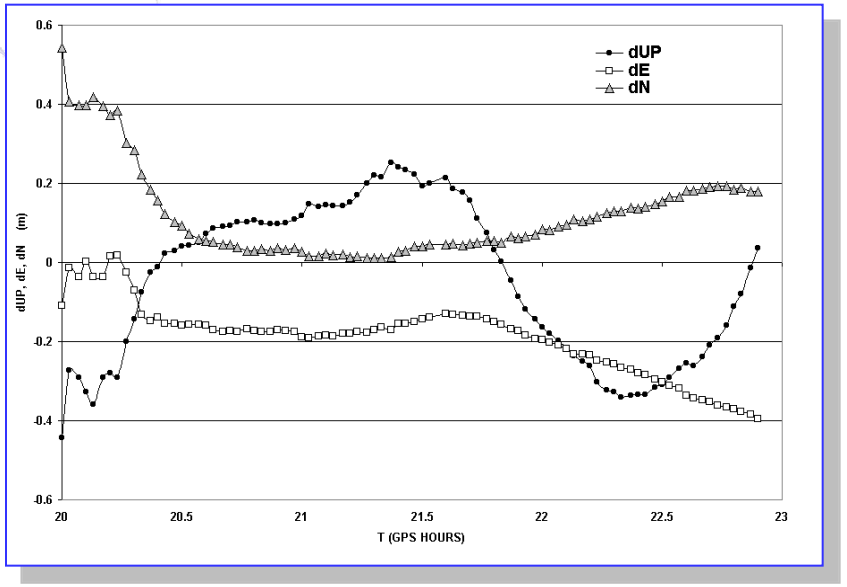


Antenna Phase center (satellite)

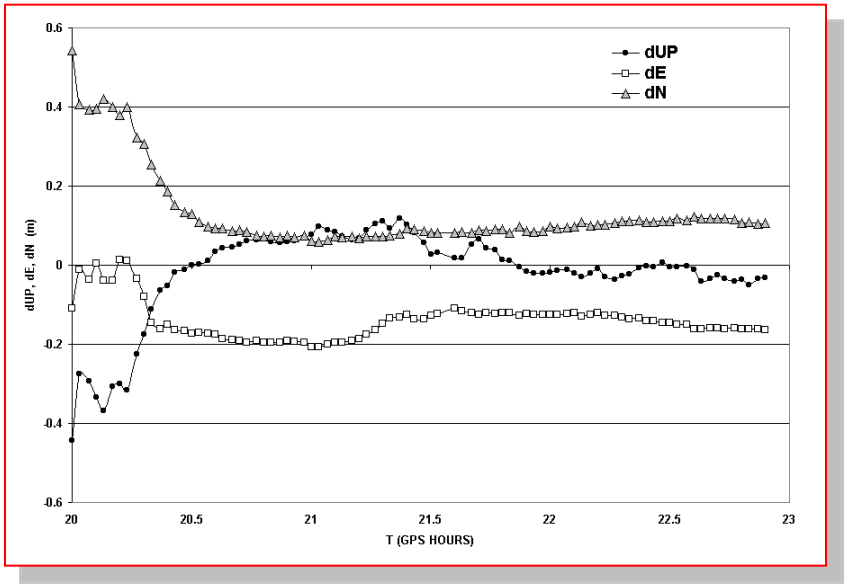


Differential positioning at 420 km from reference station

Broadcast orbits



Broadcast orbits (adjusted)



Differential Kinematic positioning with 429 km of baseline. Broadcast orbits (left) and adjusted broadcast orbits (right) used. Ambiguities "floated" (Lc biases estimated). Tropospheric refraction errors estimated. Triangles: dUP; black circles: dN, squares: dE; all meters.

Differential positioning with double differences using code and phase measurements (floating the ambiguities)

Phase measurements are modeled in similar way than code ones, but taking into account the phase **ambiguities** ***Δ∇B***, which must be estimated together with rover coordinates *(dx,dy,dz)*.

$$
\begin{bmatrix} \Delta\nabla Prefit(P)^1 \\ \Delta\nabla Prefit(L)^1 \\ \cdots\cdots \\ \Delta\nabla Prefit(P)^n \\ \Delta\nabla Prefit(L)^n \end{bmatrix}
=
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\end{pmatrix}
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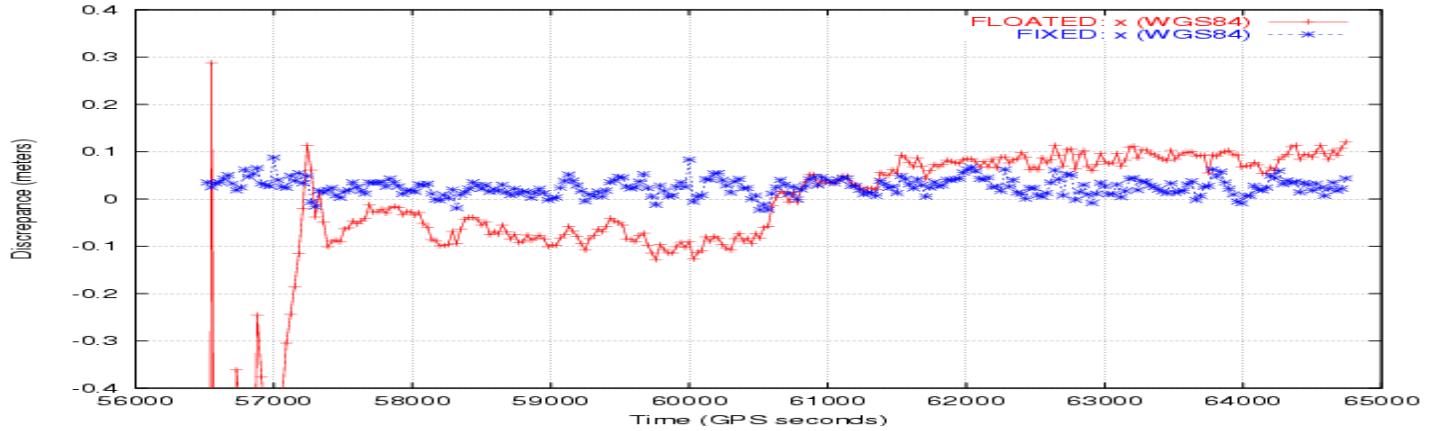
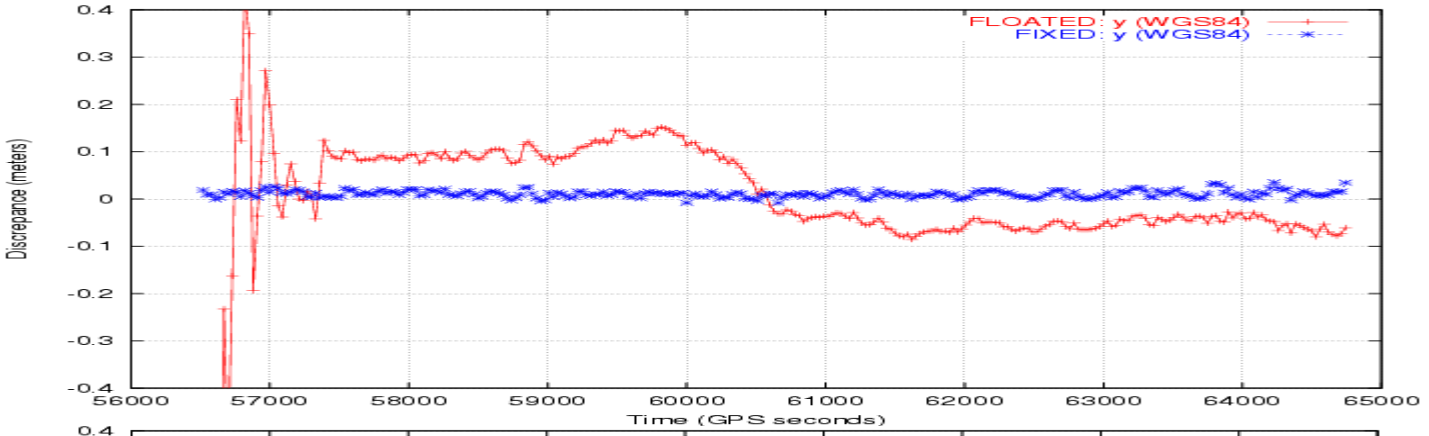
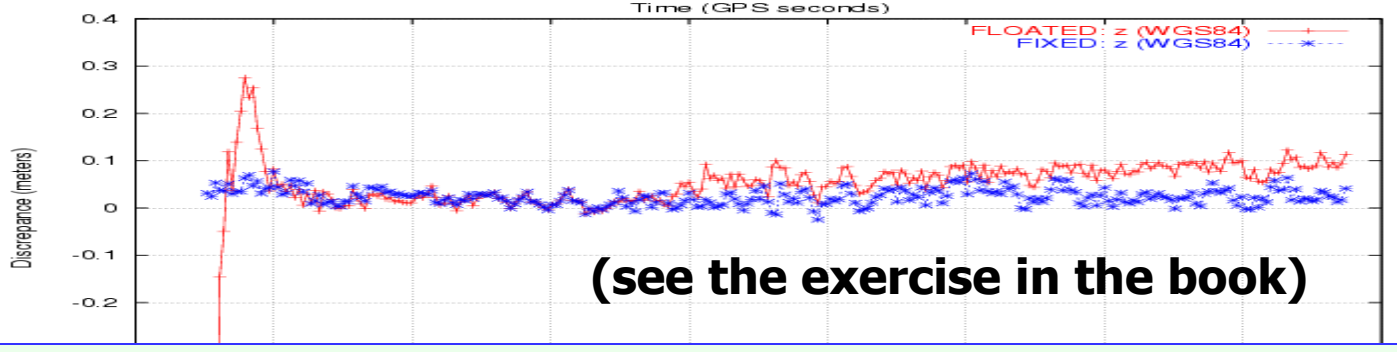
This system can be solved with a **Kalman filter**, assuming **ambiguities** ***Δ∇B*** constant along continuous carrier phase arcs, and white noise at cycle-slips.

FIXING versus FLOATING ambiguities







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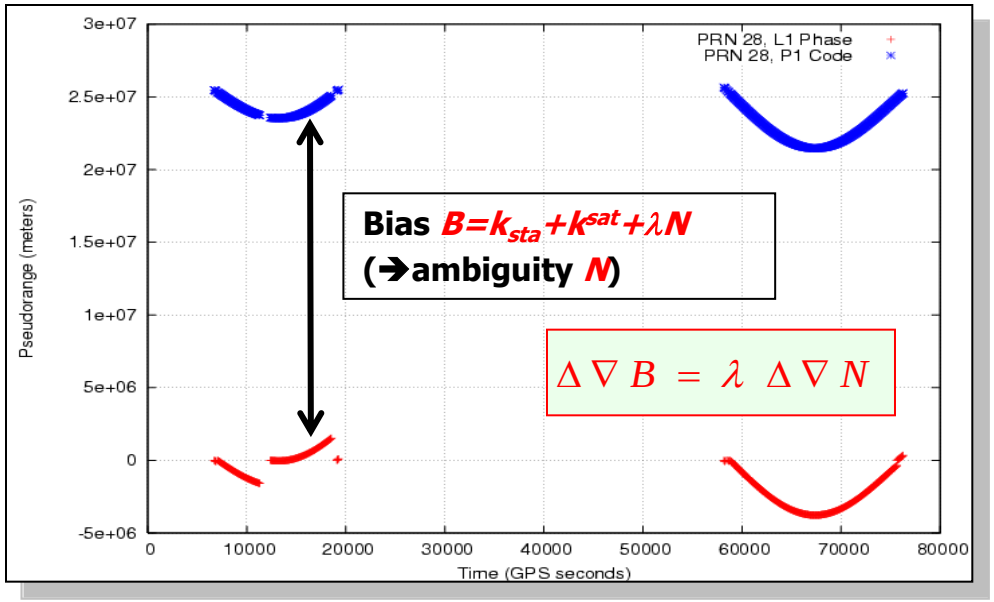
After fixing the ambiguities the carrier phases are use for positioning as very accurate pseudoranges (with few millimeters of noise)

Resolving the Ambiguities:

- Ambiguities must be estimated with a Kalman filter, together with coordinates (and troposphere,…).



- The easier way to resolve the ambiguities is to treat them as **REAL numbers**, which are constant along continuous phase arcs and white noise when cycle-slips (this technique is called: **floating ambiguities**)

  ➔ The filter needs some time span to converge, and also there is estimation noise (due to the correlations with the other states of filter), which degrades the navigation solution at the level of few decimeters.

Notice: If the ambiguities were fixed, we would be positioning with measurements of few millimeters of noise.

On the other hand, the ionosphere can be removed using dual frequency measurements (with Lc, Pc combinations)!

Note:

- Klobuchar model only accounts for ~60%
- For long baselines the ionosphere does not cancel!

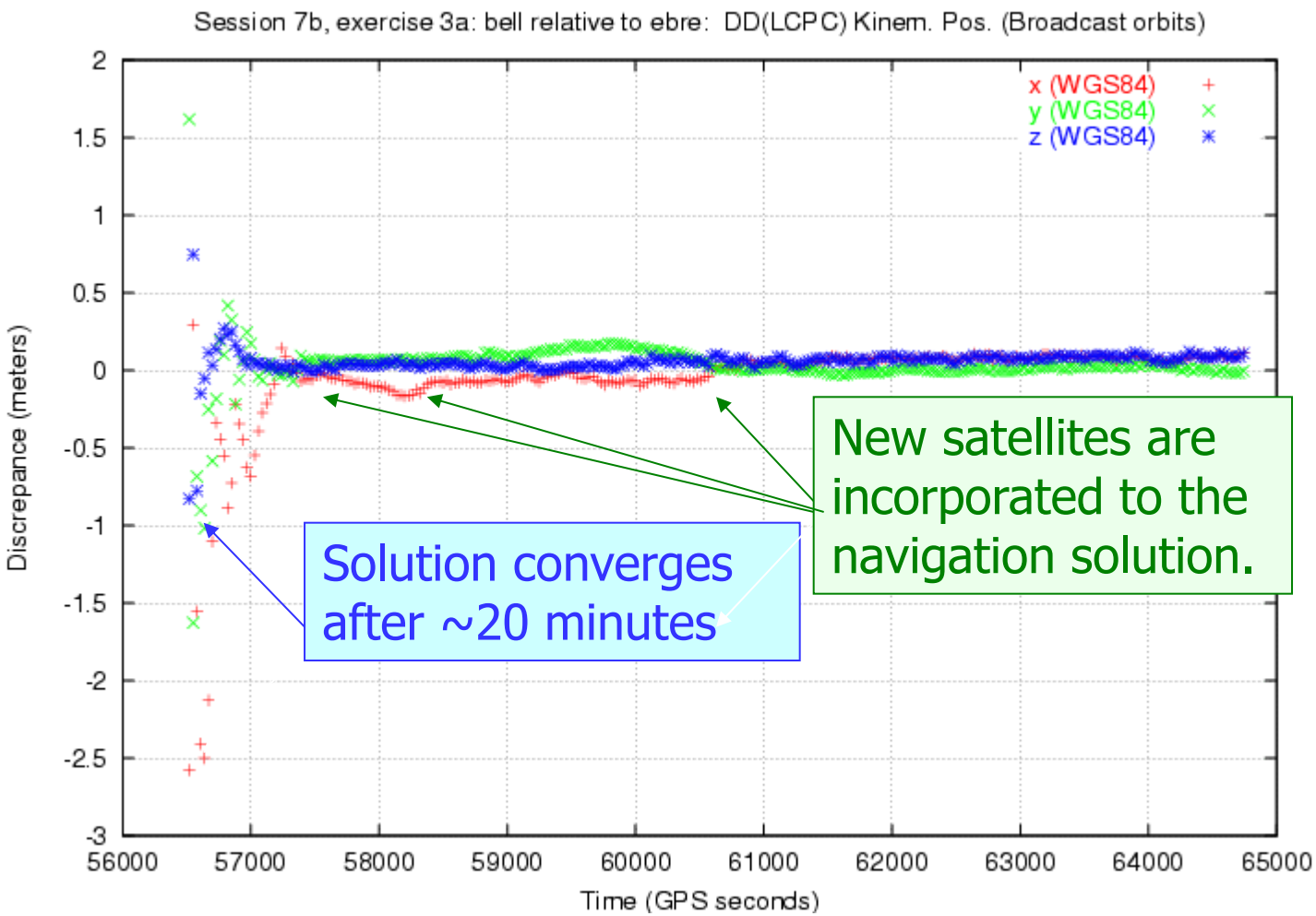
			Differential with 2-freq and carrier phases (Lc,Pc)
Ionosphere	5-10 m	0.4m	~ mm
Troposphere	0.5-1.0 m	0.2 m	Estimate
Receiver Noise	0.5 m	0.5m	2 mm + Ambig.
Multipath	0.6 m	0.6m	5 mm
SA on (SA=off)	30 (0)m	0 m	

Carrier phase ambiguities must be estimated/fixed with receiver coordinates:

The accuracy will depend on how they are solved.

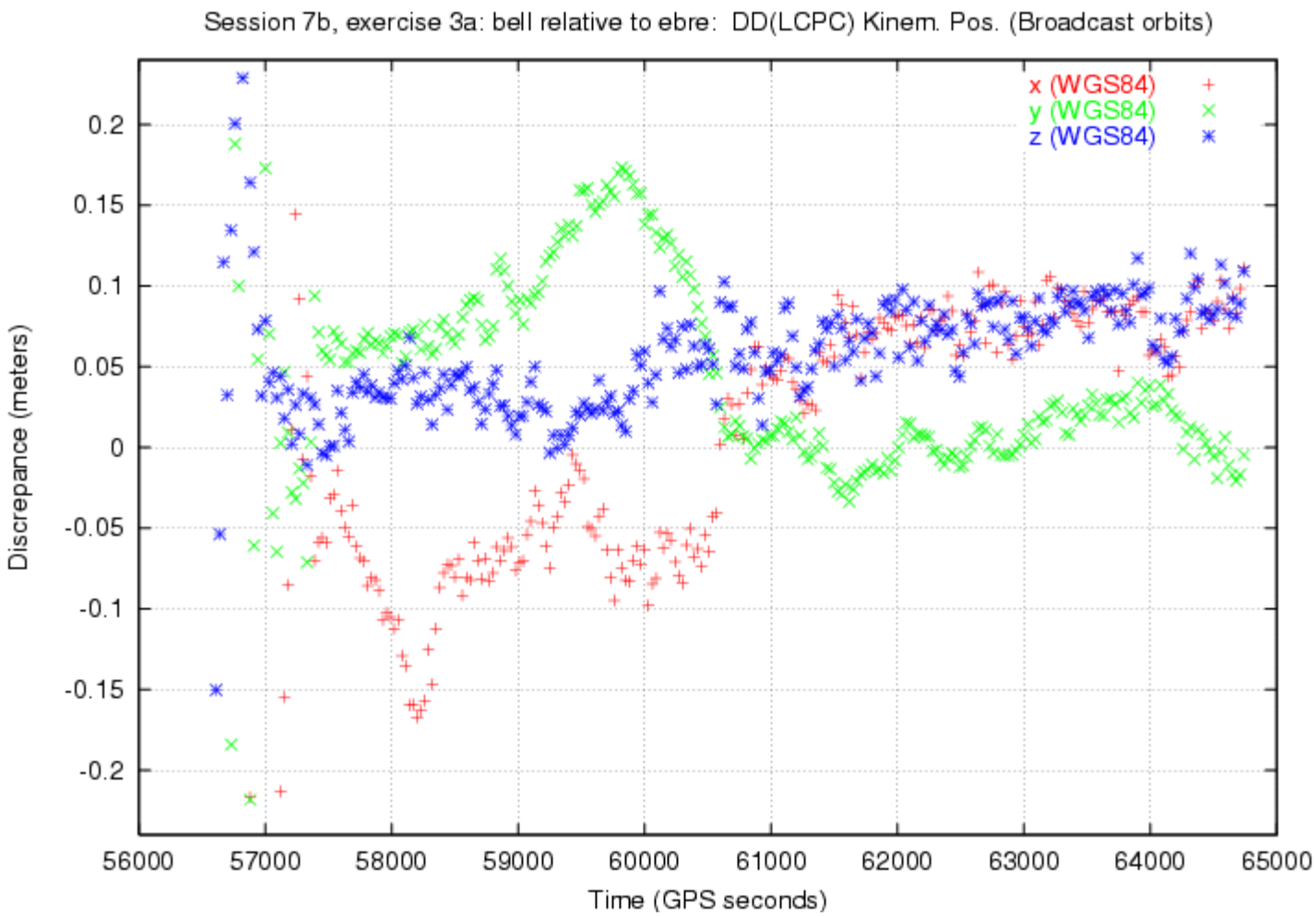
(also the tropospheric delay or orbits adjustments should be considered for high precision).

Differential



Differential Kinematic Positioning (floating ambiguities) using broadcast orbits and LC, PC measurements.

Baseline 100Km



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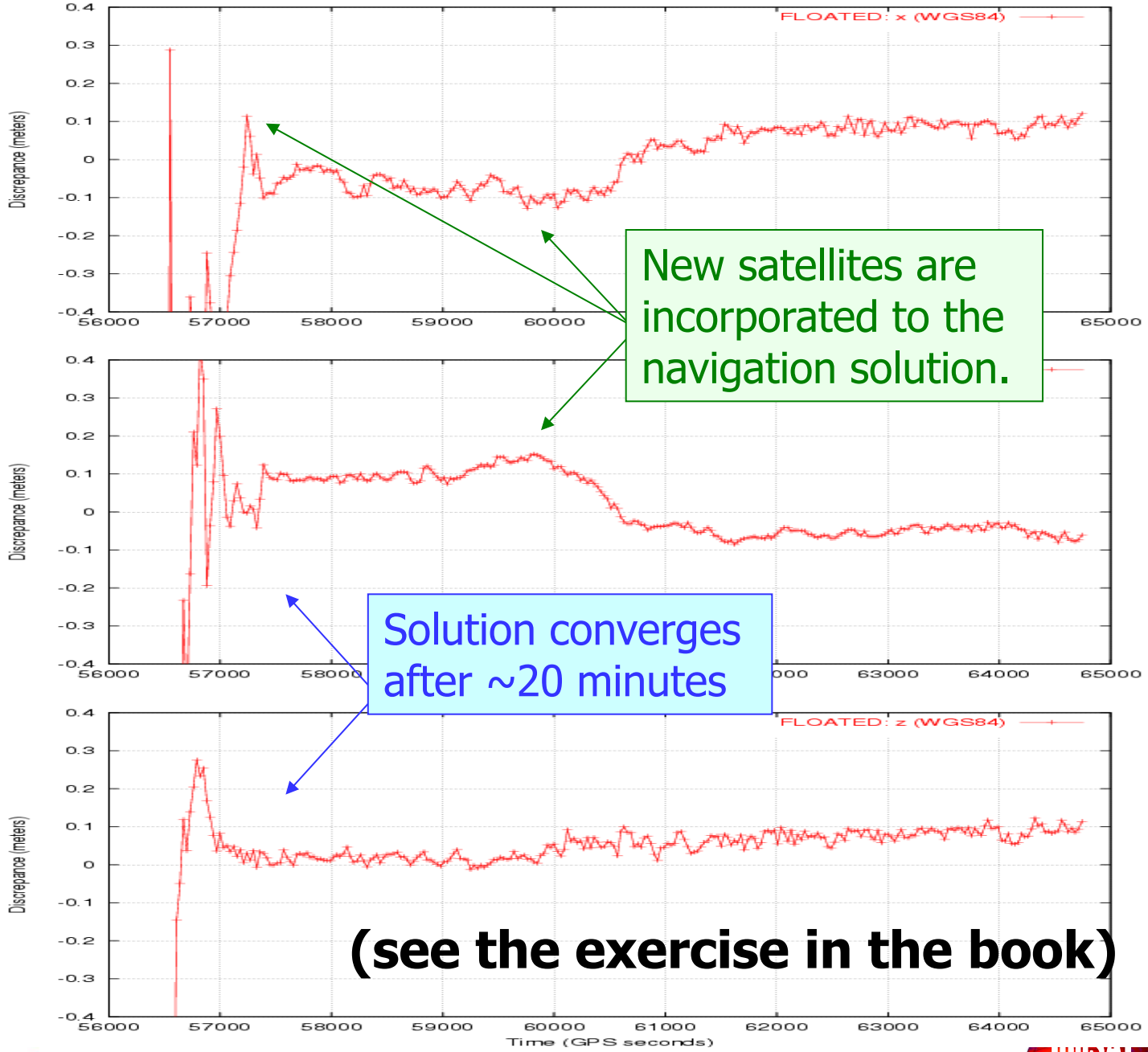
Kinematic Posit. with Lc, Pc, FLOATING ambiguities

(base line 100Km)

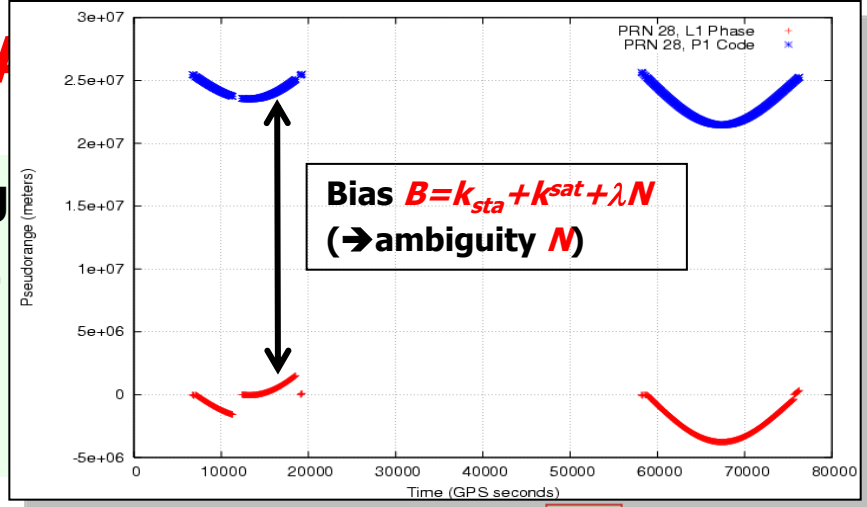


(see the exercise in the book)

FIXING versus FLOA

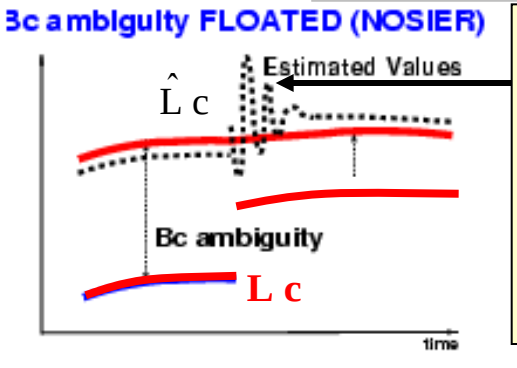
Fixing ambiguities will allow to g

- **More accuracy: avoiding nosier it is fixed.**
- **Faster convergence of filter.**



FLOATED:

The ambiguities have been estimated by filter as real numbers

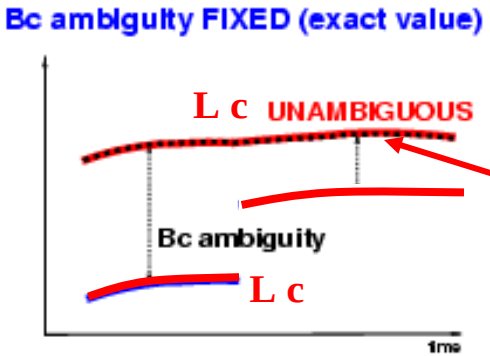


Carrier phase $\hat{L}$ c estimated floating the ambiguities.

The estimations need some time to converge, and do not converge to the true value.

FIXED:

The ambiguities have ben previously fixed (exact values)



The ambiguities are fixed to their "true" values. There is no estimation noise.

The carrier phase is fully "repaired" and provides a very accurate pseudorange (few millimeters of error)

Fixing the Ambiguities:

To obtain centimeter accuracy it is necessary to apply FIXING ambiguities techniques:

These techniques exploit the fact that the ambiguities in *f1* and *f2* are "**INTEGER NUMBERS**" of wavelengths, and if it is possible to build combinations of measurements with a level of noise under 1 wavelength, it will be possible to obtain the "**exact value" of the ambiguity by ROUNDING**.

Let's *B1* and *B2* be carrier phase bias in frequencies *f1* and *f2*. Thence:

$$B1_{rec}^{sat} = \lambda_1 N1_{rec}^{sat} + k_{1rec} + k_1^{sat}$$

$$B2_{rec}^{sat} = \lambda_2 N2_{rec}^{sat} + k_{2rec} + k_2^{sat}$$

N1,N1 are the **ambiguities (integers)**

k1, k2 are the **instrumental delays (real)**

The instrumental delays cancel out when making the double differences.

$$\Delta\nabla B1 = \lambda_1 \Delta\nabla N1$$

$$\Delta\nabla B2 = \lambda_2 \Delta\nabla N2$$

$$\Delta\nabla B_W = \lambda_W \Delta\nabla N_W$$

On the other hand ***ΔΔB1, ΔΔB2, ΔΔBw*** are integer multiples of their wavelengths. But, the last is not the true for ***ΔΔBc***

$$\Delta\nabla Bc = \lambda_C \left(\frac{\lambda_W \Delta\nabla N1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{\lambda_W \Delta\nabla N2}{\lambda_2} \right)$$

RTK: it is assumed that ionospheric refraction cancels out (base lines < 15-20 Km)

• Example of algorithm for fixing L1, L2 ambiguities

1. Using Lc, Pc, the Kalman filter estimates the ambiguity $\Delta\nabla\hat{B}_c$ together with the receiver coordinates (floating it such as in previous examples).

2. From the rough estimation of $\Delta\nabla\hat{B}_c$, the ambiguity $\Delta\nabla N_w$ is fixed:

$$\Delta\nabla N_w = \mathrm{int}\left(\frac{\Delta\nabla\hat{B}_w}{\lambda_w}\right) = \mathrm{int}\left(\frac{\Delta\nabla L_w - \Delta\nabla L_c + \Delta\nabla\hat{B}_c}{\lambda_w}\right)$$

3. Being fixed the ambiguity $\Delta\nabla N_w$, the ambiguities $\Delta\nabla N_1$ $\Delta\nabla N_2$ can be also fixed:

$$\Delta\nabla N_1 = \mathrm{int}\left(\frac{\Delta\nabla\hat{B}_1}{\lambda_1}\right) = \mathrm{int}\left(\frac{\Delta\nabla L_1 - \Delta\nabla L_2 - \lambda_2\Delta\nabla N_w}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2}\right)$$

$$\Delta\nabla N_2 = \Delta\nabla N_1 - \Delta\nabla N_w$$

4. From the "exact" values of the ambiguities $\Delta\nabla N_1$ $\Delta\nabla N_2$, the "exact" value of the "NON-INTEGER ambiguity" in Lc can be fixed:

$$\Delta\nabla B_c = \lambda_c\lambda_w\left(\frac{\Delta\nabla N_1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{\Delta\nabla N_2}{\lambda_2}\right)$$

Being fixed the ambiguity in $\Delta\nabla Bc$, then the measurement is accurate at the level of few millimeters!!!

(100 times more accurate than code).

Error budget	GPS Standalone	Differential CA code	Differential with 2-freq (Phases, L1,L2 [Lc])
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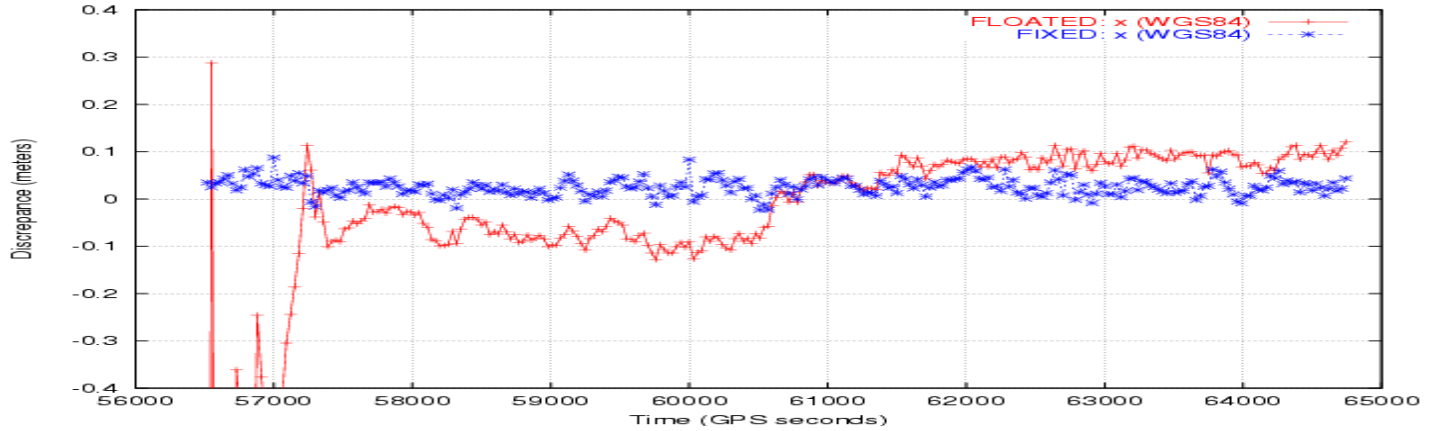
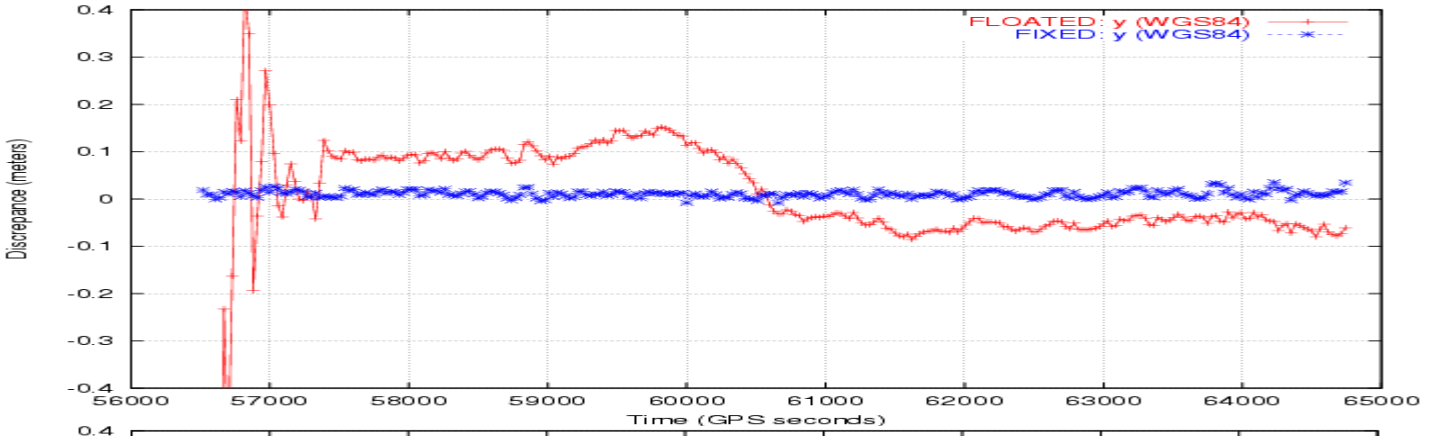
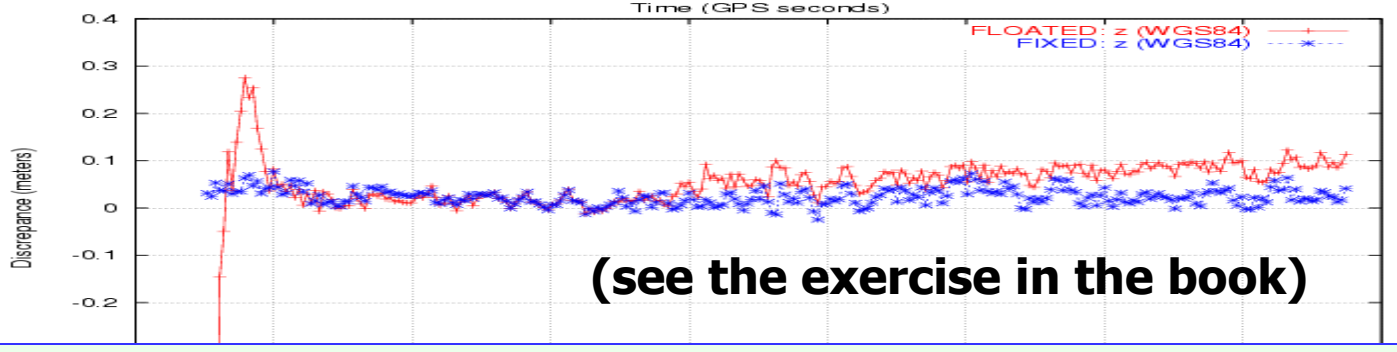
Typical	GPS	Differential	Differential
			3 cm
			4 cm
			5 cm

From the "conceptual point of view", when the ambiguity is fixed, the phase measurements are repaired and thence, the positioning is like if "very accurate codes (few millimeters of noise)" were used!!!

FIXING versus FLOATING ambiguities







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Limitations:

➔The previous algorithm **is based on assuming that ionospheric refraction is the same in the reference station and the rover**, and cancels out when forming the double differences.

➔This hypothesis can only be assumed for **short baselines (<15-20Km).**

Wide Area Real Time Kinematics (WARTK)

➔For long baselines, the ionospheric refraction *ΔΔSTEC* must be taken into account in previous equations. Thence:

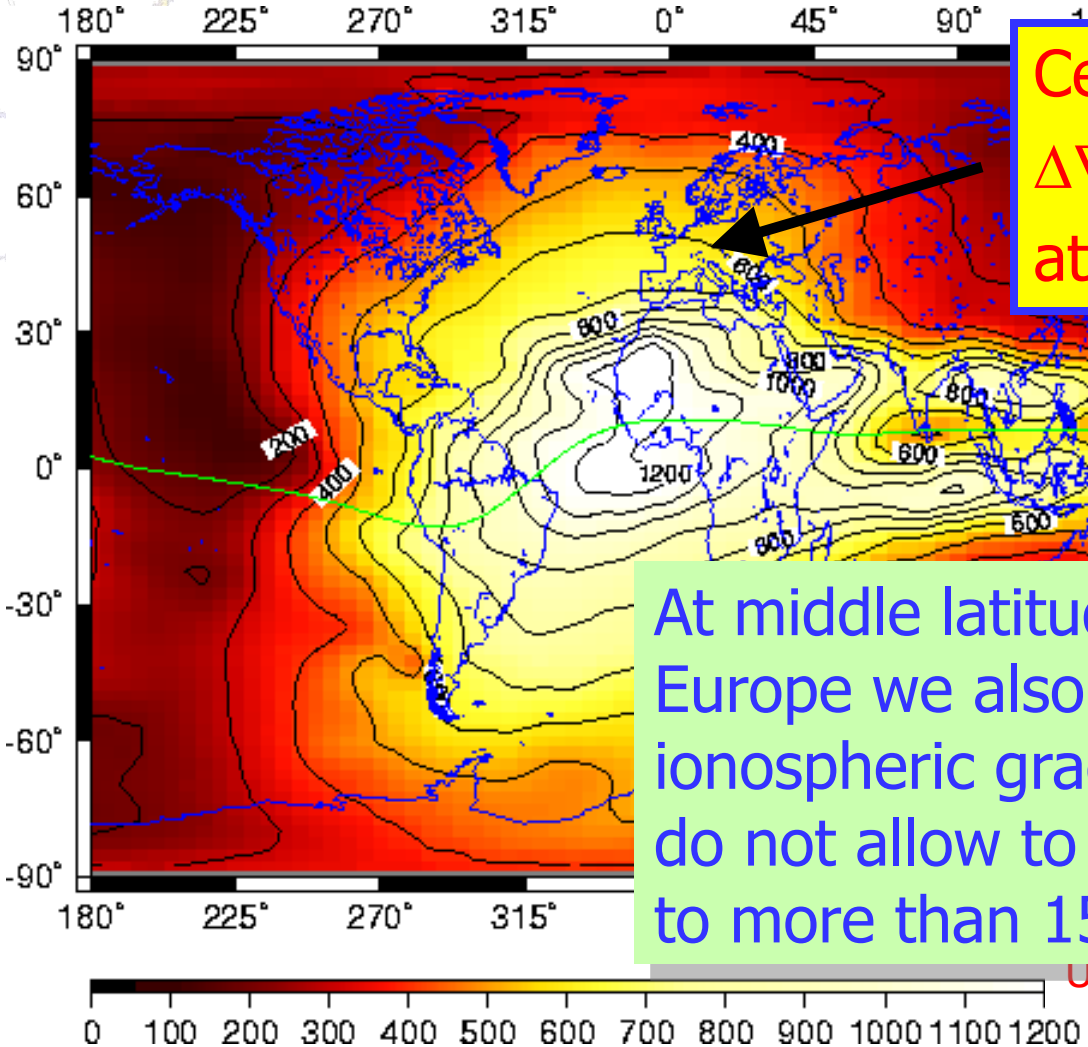
$$\Delta\nabla N_w = \text{int}\left(\frac{\Delta\nabla L_w - \Delta\nabla L_c - \boxed{1.98\,\Delta\nabla STEC} + \Delta\nabla \hat{B}_c}{\lambda_w}\right)$$

$$\Delta\nabla N_1 = \text{int}\left(\frac{\Delta\nabla L_1 - \Delta\nabla L_2 - \boxed{\Delta\nabla STEC} - \lambda_2\Delta\nabla N_w}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2}\right)$$

Note: being λ_2-λ_1 = *5.4 cm*, the accuracy in *ΔΔSTEC must be better than 2.7 cm of L1-L2 delay.*

Vertical Ionospheric Refraction

Experiment Day (077 2000, 15UT)

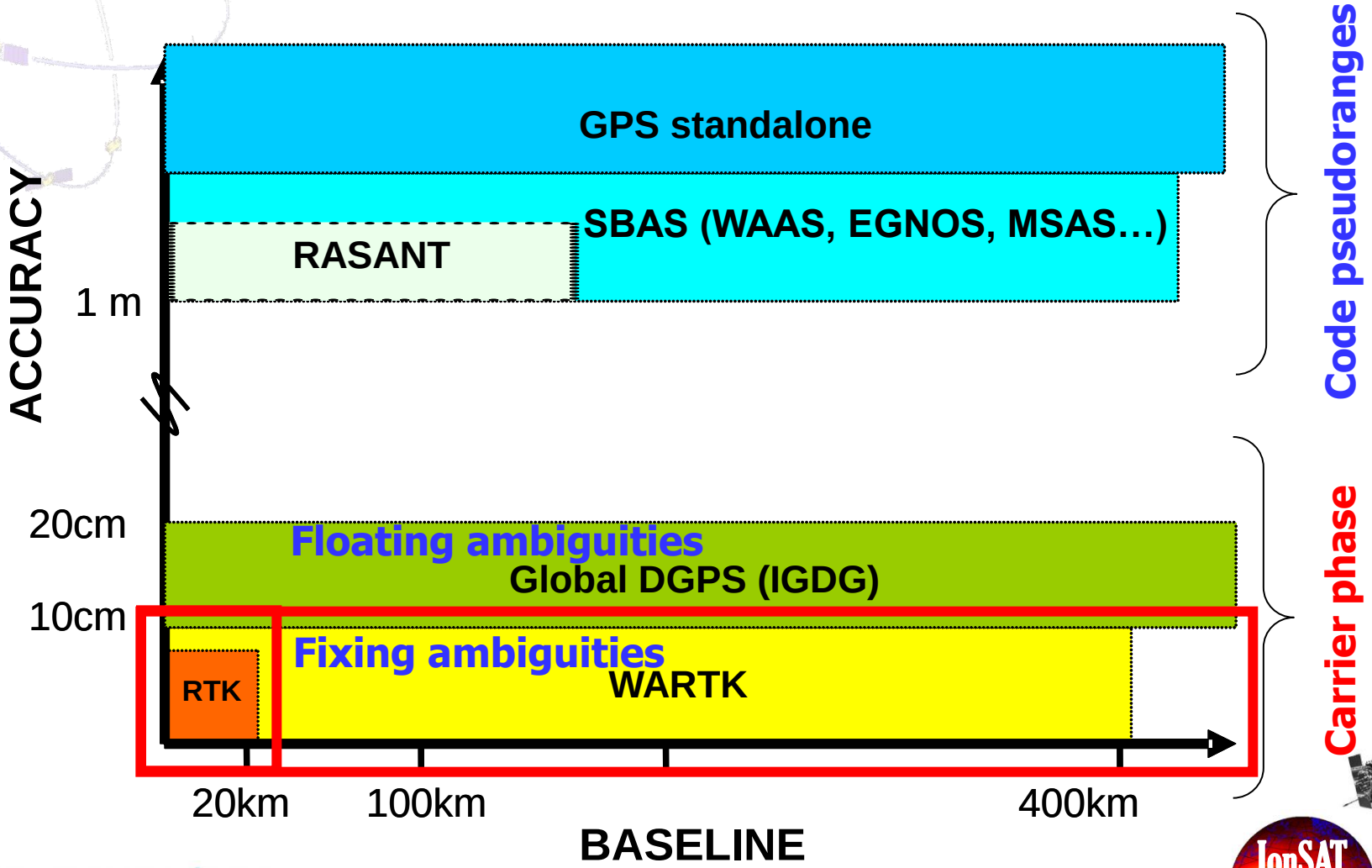


Central Europe:
$\Delta\nabla I > 2.7cm_{L1-L2}$
at 15 km or more

At middle latitudes like in Europe we also find large ionospheric gradients which do not allow to extend RTK up to more than 15-20 Km.

Units: cm of L1-L2 delay

If ACCURATE ENOUGHT ionospheric corrections could be provided to the user, centimetic navigation could be achieved for LONG-BASELINES (hundred Km far from reference station)!!!! ➔ WARTK



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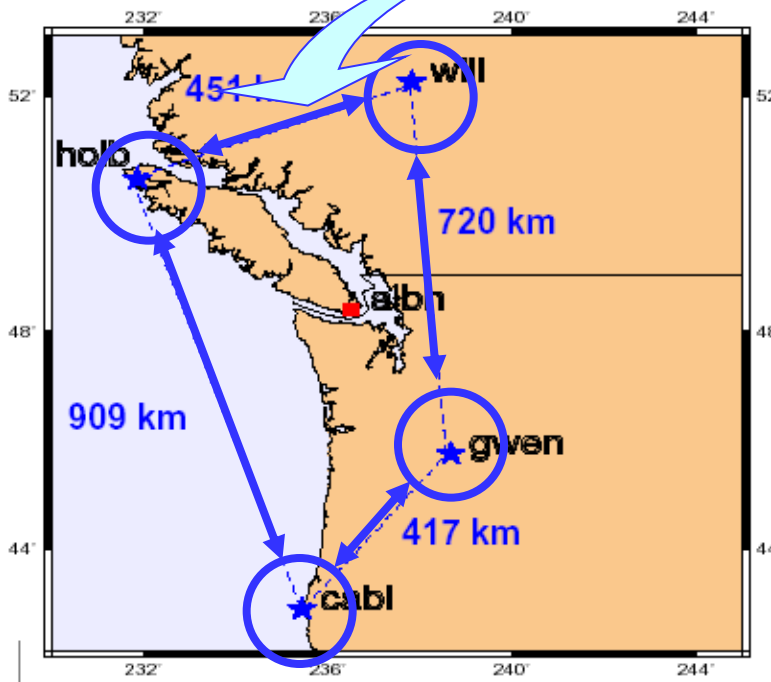

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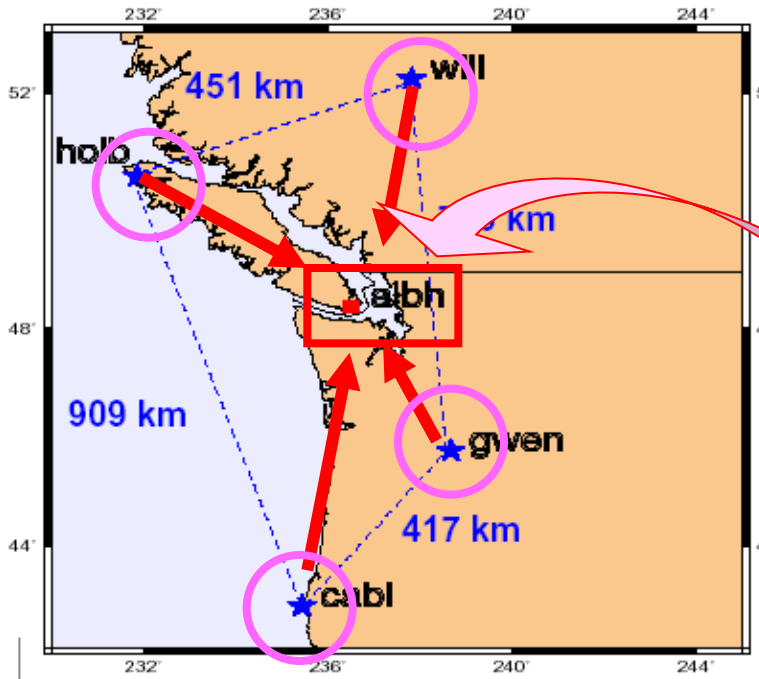

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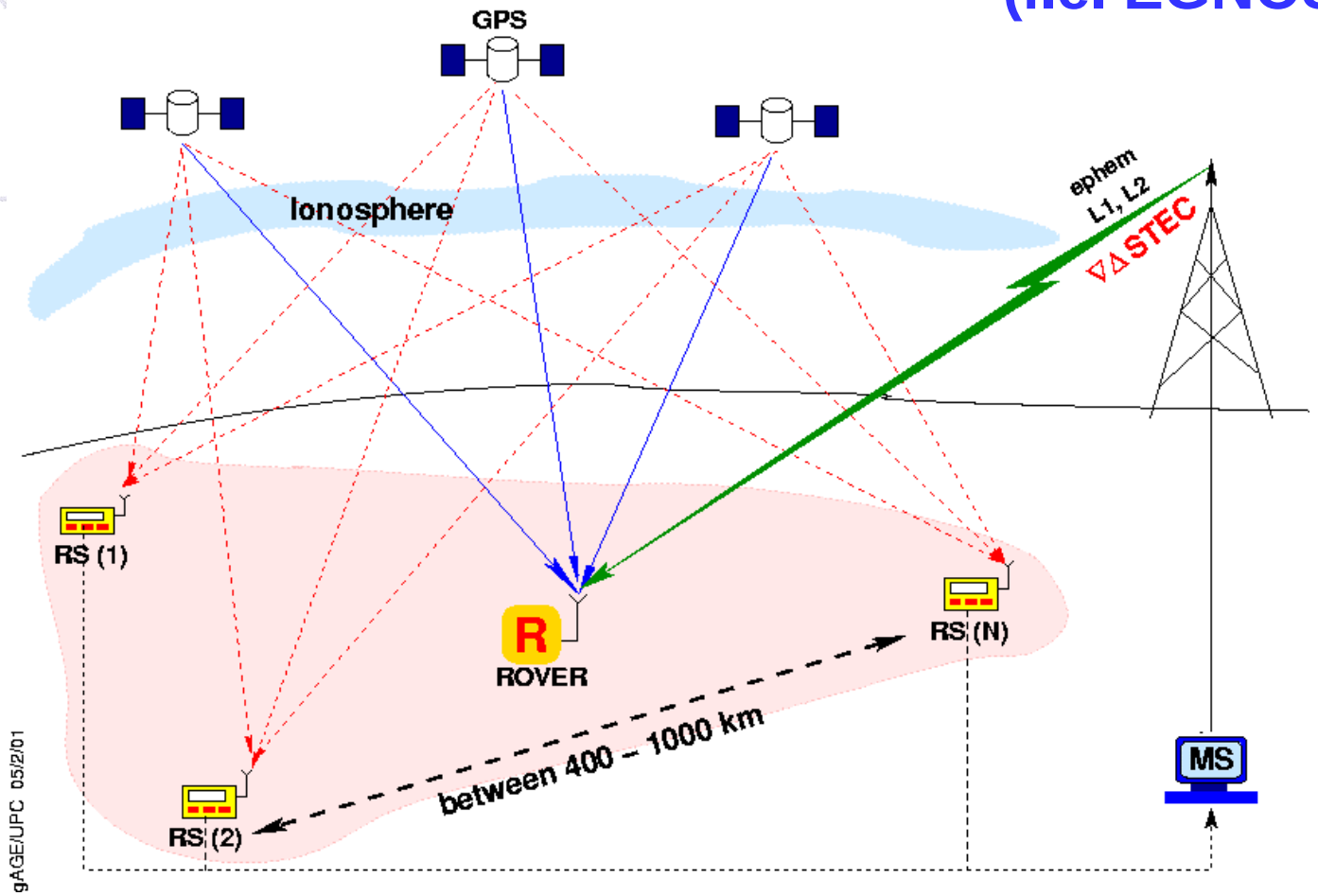
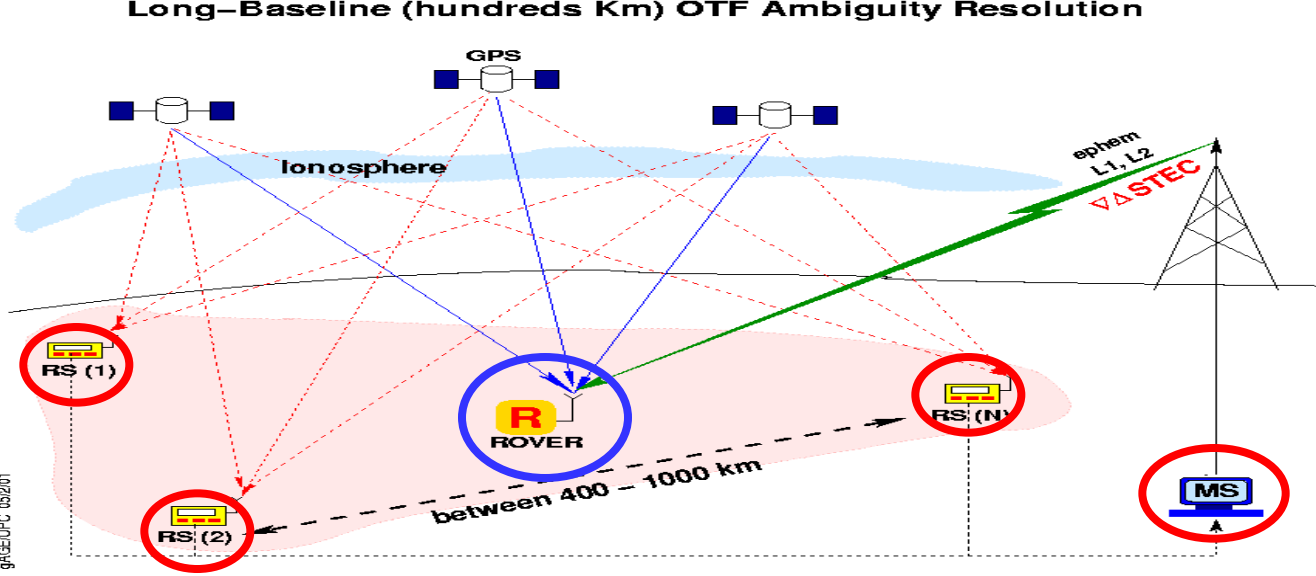
WARTK: Can be based on Wide Area GPS Networks (i.e. EGNOS)



An *∆∇STEC* with error less than 2.7 cm of L1-L2 delay must achieved at the rover location!!

[gAGE/UPC patent,2000]

WARTK layout



WARTK Central Processing Facility

Permanent Receivers Network

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CPF

1. Kalman

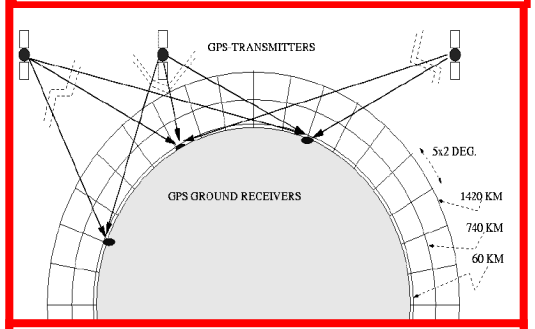
Iono. model
Sat. corr.
Tropo. corr.

2. Ambiguity fixing

3. Ionospheric Integrity

4. WARTK message

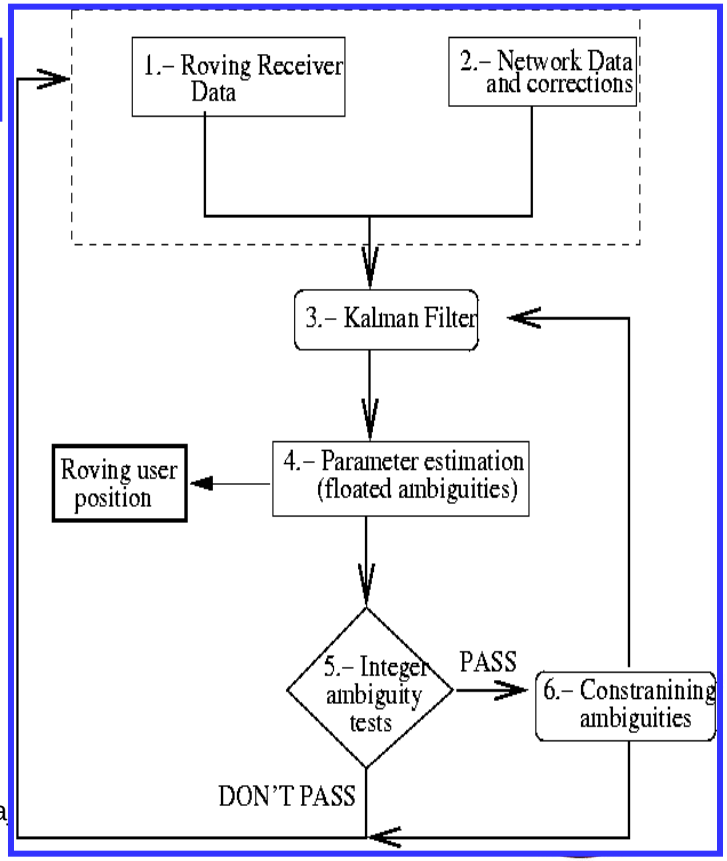
Real-time Iono. model



$$L_1 = STEC + B_1 = \int_{REC}^{SAT} N_e dl + B_1 = \sum_i \sum_j \sum_k (N_e)_{i,j,k} \Delta s_{i,j,k} + B_1$$

Real-time geodetic model

WARTK User



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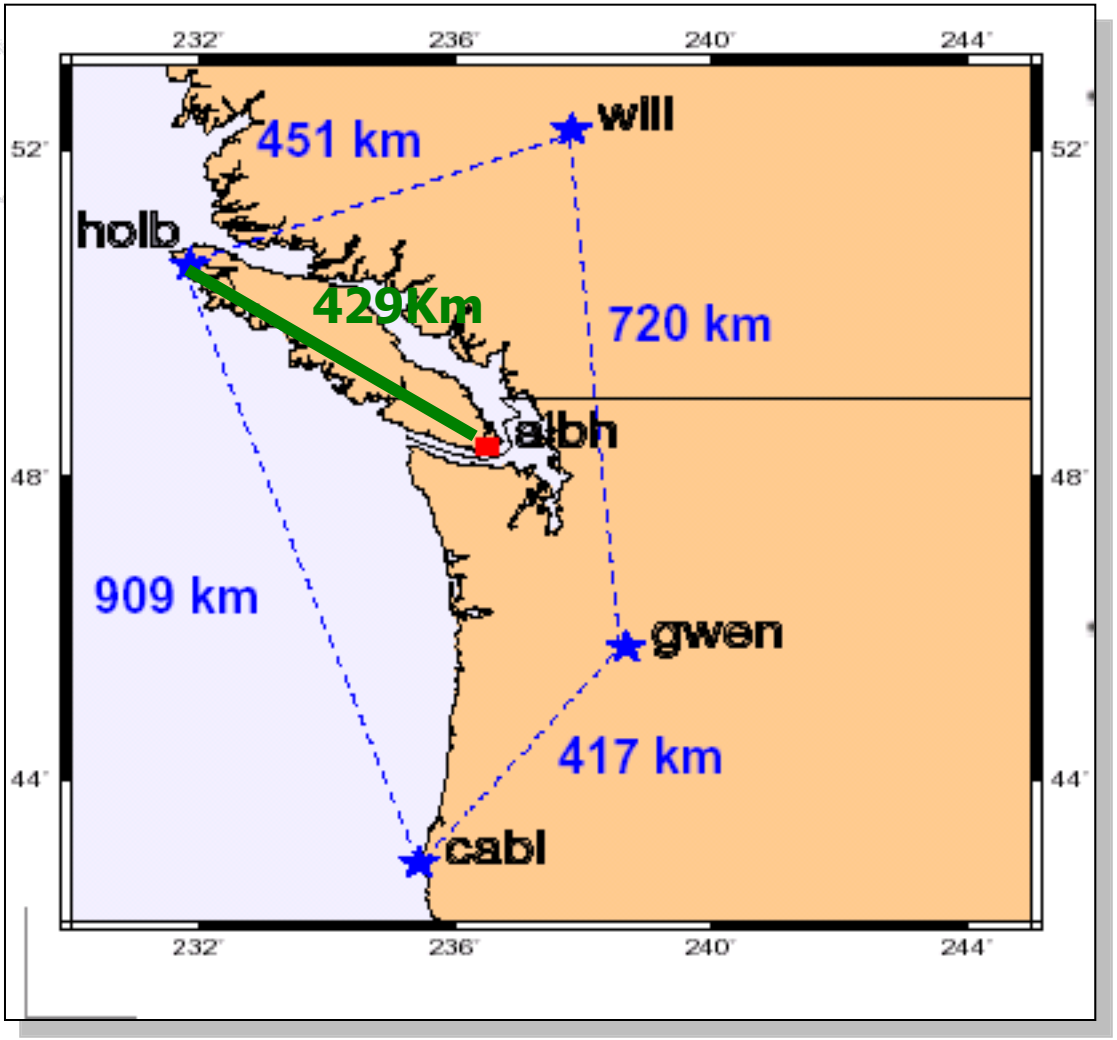

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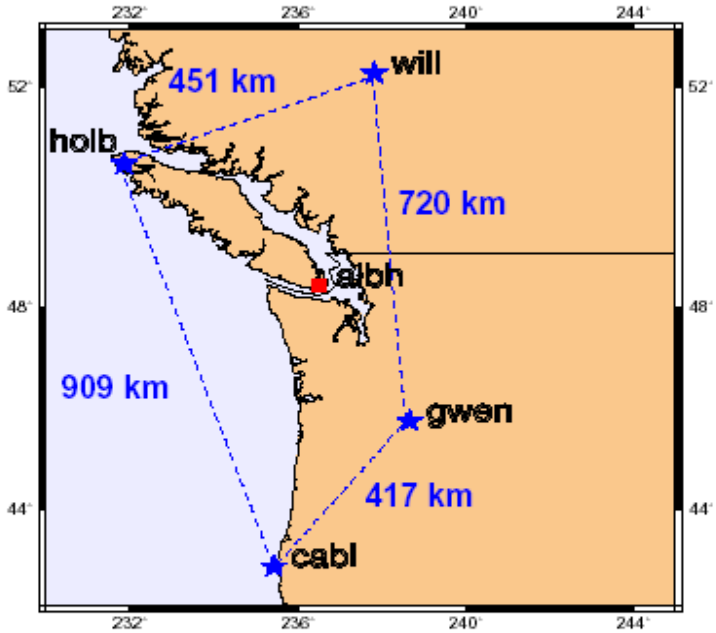
RESULTS: The Pacific Northwest Test (Kp>4)

1998 May 3rd



- All observations were dual frequency carrier-phase and pseudorange, collected at typical IGS rate of 30 sec.
- Data sets from four of them (cabl, wen, holb, will) were used as REFERENCE STATIONS.
- The station albh was treated as the ROVER.

While all data had been collected before we carried out the calculations, we took care to process them as they would be processed in a truly real-time application

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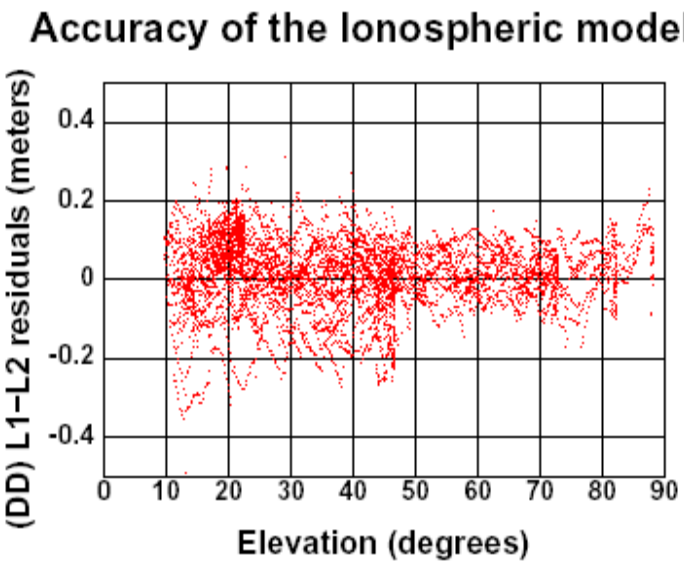
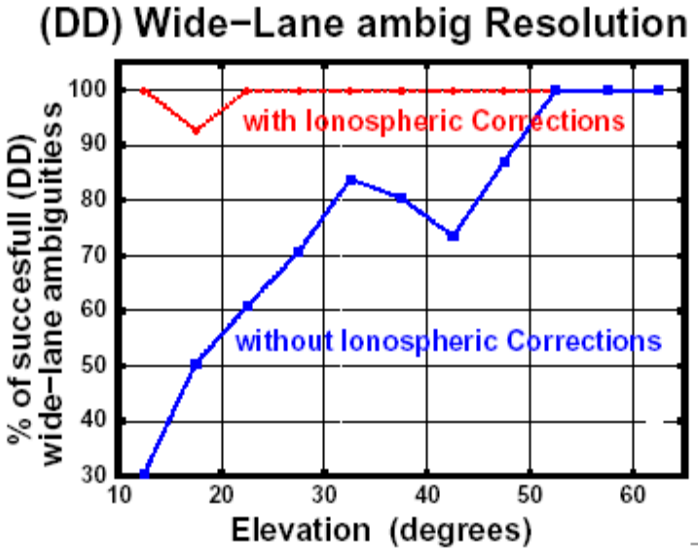
Reference Stations

Checking the Ionospheric Correction at the Refrence stations [Kp>4, 450-1300 km, (05/03/98)]

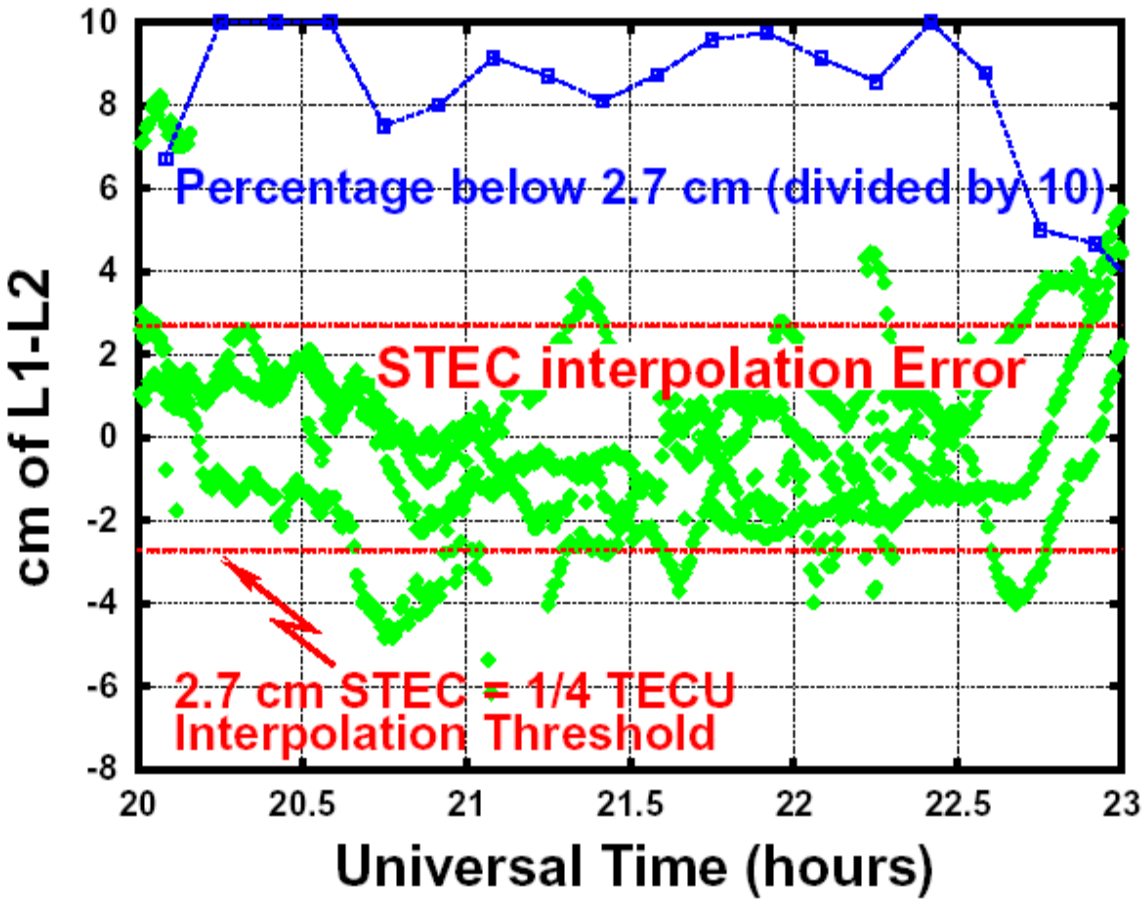
- Ionospheric model: provides RMS=0.9 TECU for double difference ionospheric corrections.
- Thence, most of the time, the (DD) widelane ambiguities are successfully Fixed.



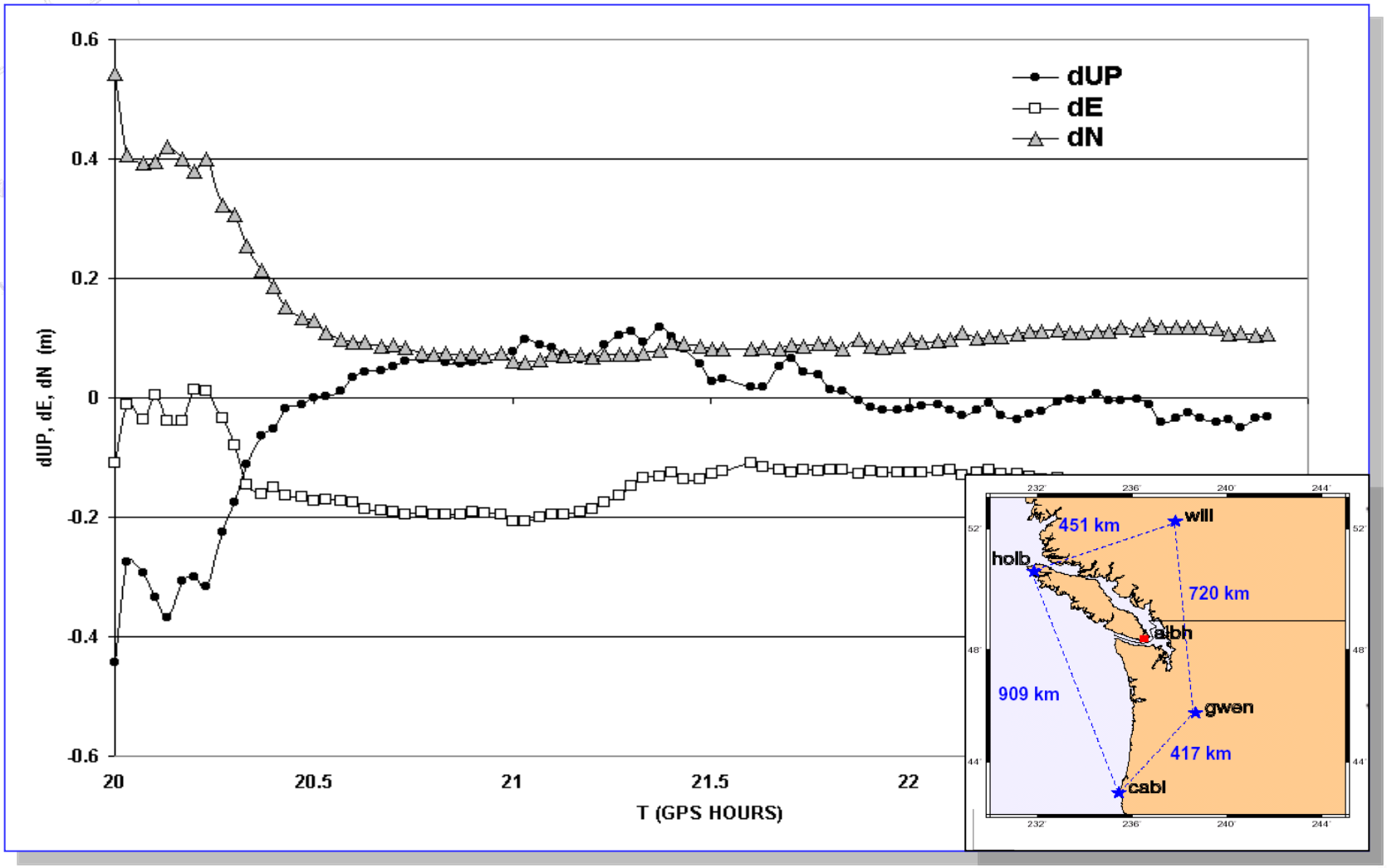


Rover

Checking the Ionospheric Corr. at the ROVER

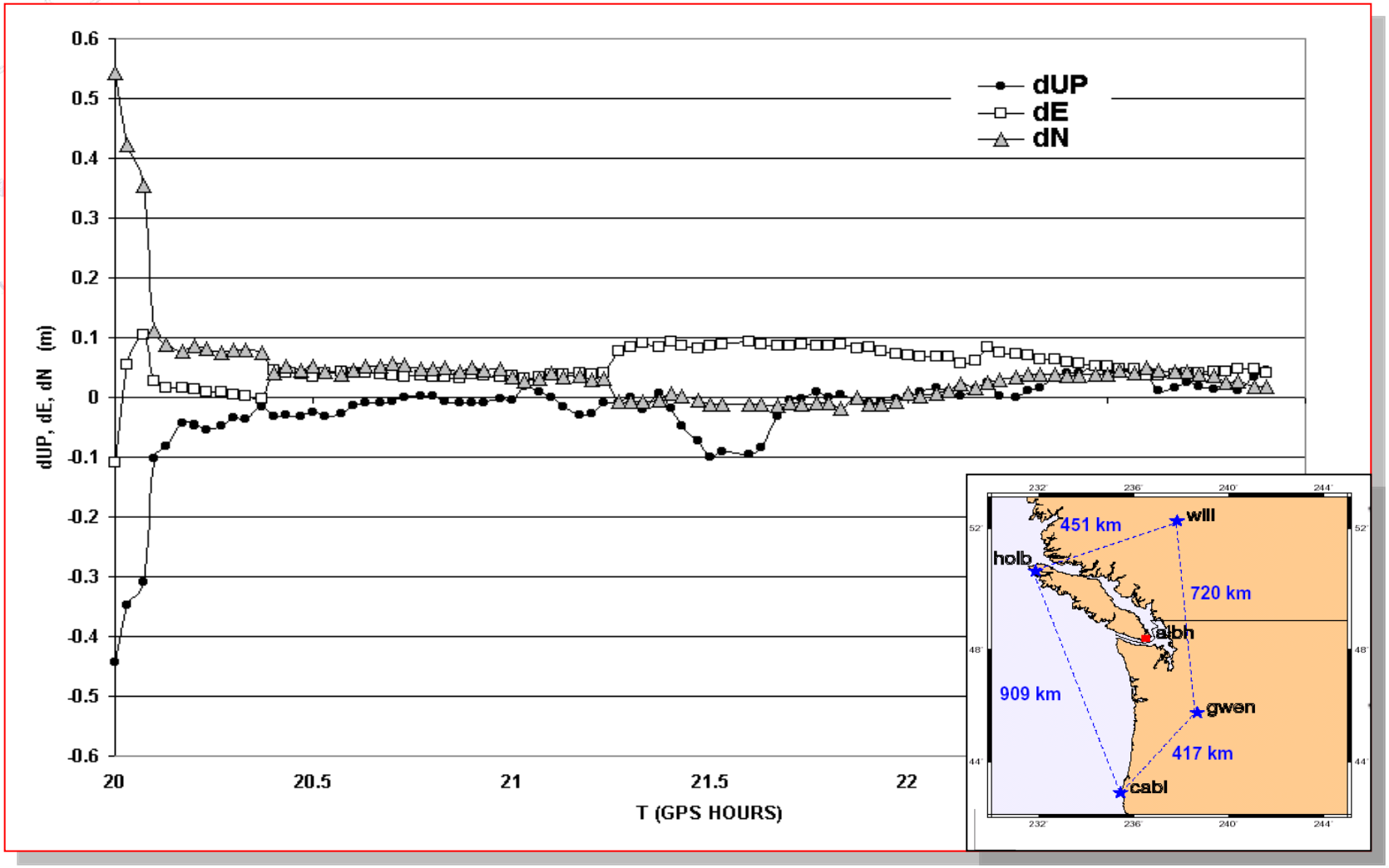


Floating ambiguities: Broadcast orbits adjusted



Kinematic versus true position of ALBH, with HOLB as base station (a 429 km baseline). Adjusted broadcast orbits used. Ambiguities "floated" (Lc biases estimated). Tropospheric refraction errors estimated. Triangles: dUP; black circles: dN, squares: dE; all meters.

Fixing ambiguities: Broadcast orbits adjusted



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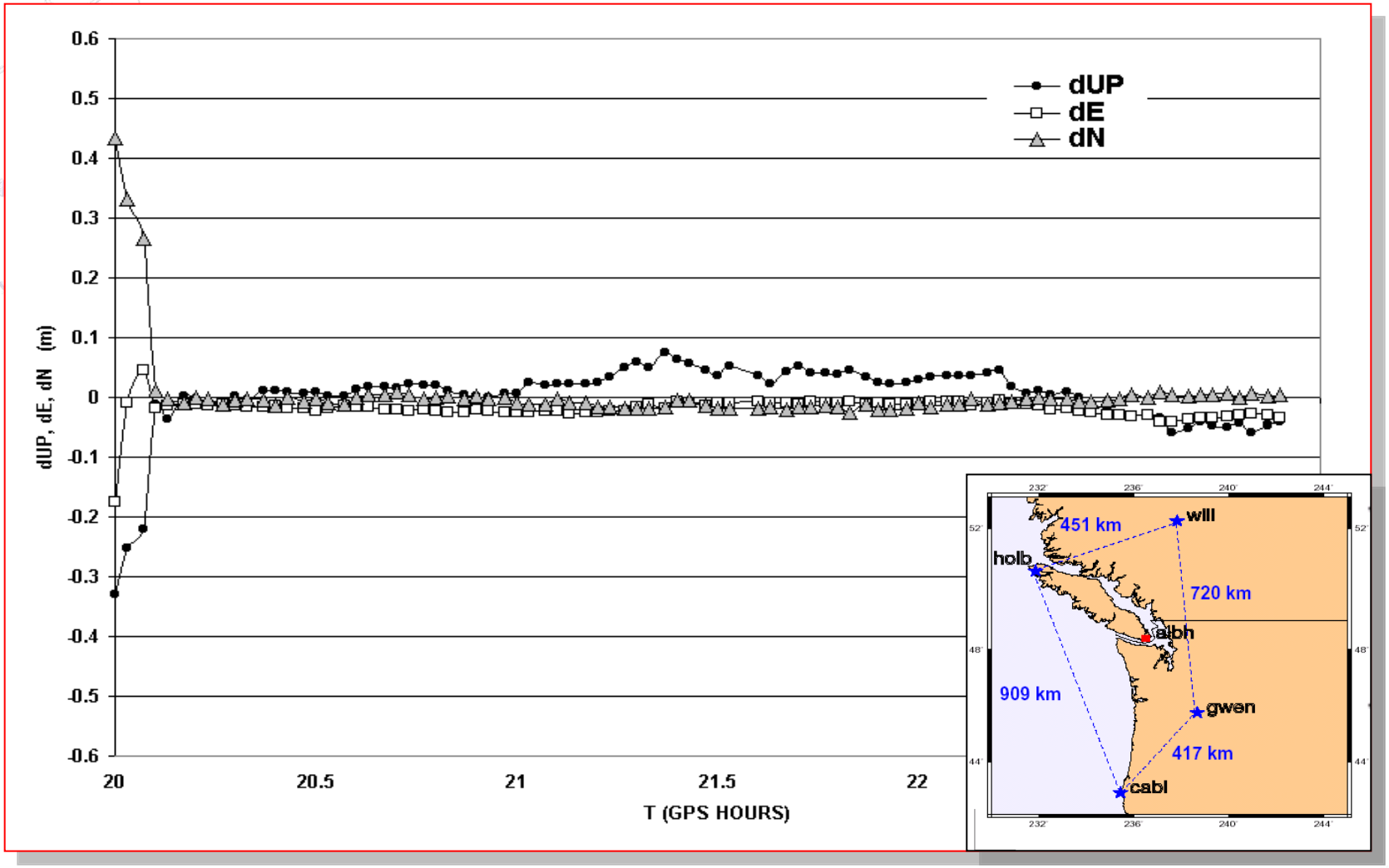
Fixing ambiguities: Precise SP3 orbits

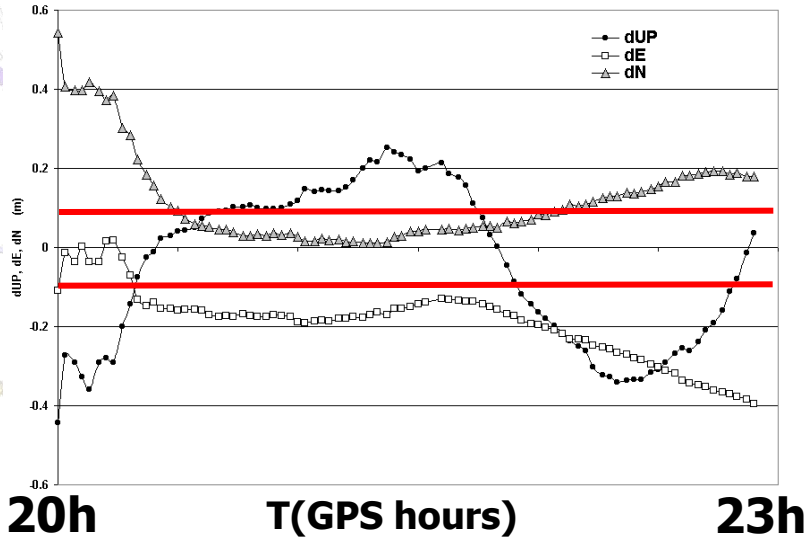


Kinematic versus true position of ALBH, with HOLB as base station (a 429 km baseline). Precise SP3 orbits used. Ambiguities "fixed" (Lc biases fixed). Tropospheric refraction errors estimated. Triangles: dUP; black circles: dN, squares: dE; all meters.

Differential positioning at 420 km from reference station

Floating

Broadcast orbits



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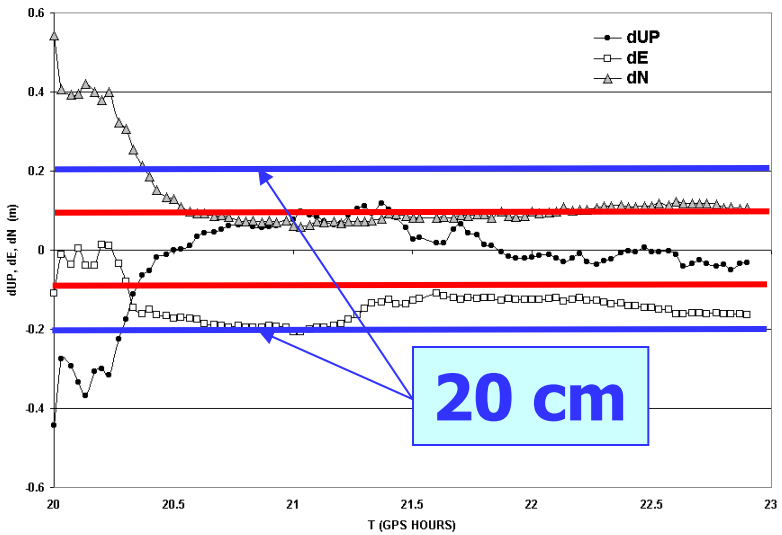

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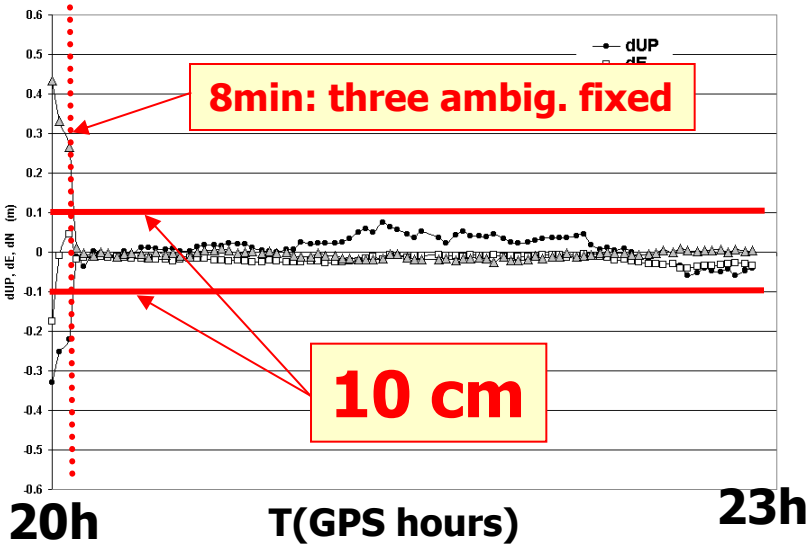

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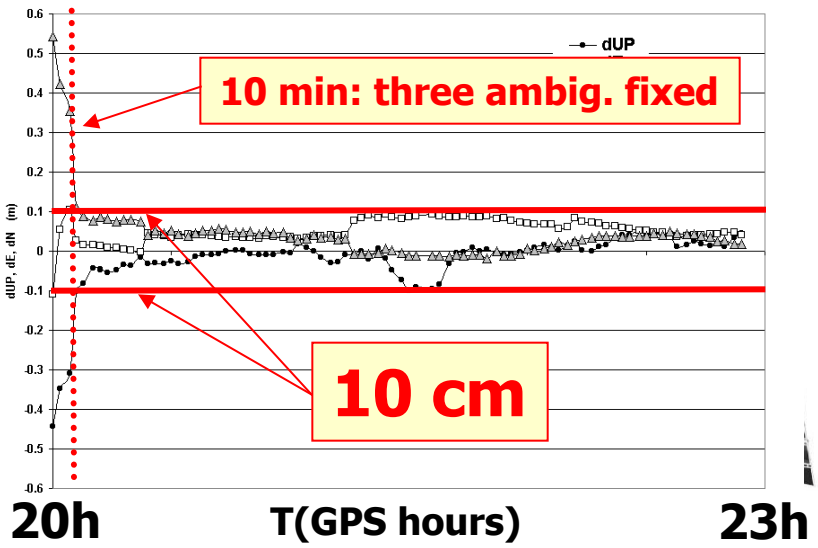

Fixing ambig. with three frequencies: Galileo

- Techniques proposed to improve the instantaneous positioning by using three-frequency systems share a similar basic approach: the double differenced integer ambiguities are successively solved from the longest to the shortest beat-wavelength, including "extra-widelane" and "widelane" combinations of carrier phases.
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Code Multipath Mitigation

$$P = \frac{1}{3}\left(P_1 + P_2 + P_3\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_{ew}} \nabla \Delta \left(L_{ew} - P_{ew} \right) = \nabla \Delta N_{ew} + \frac{1}{\lambda_{ew}} \left(\nabla \Delta M_{ew} + \nabla \Delta \varepsilon_{ew} \right) + \ldots \Rightarrow \nabla \Delta N_{ew}$$

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Phase multipath

0.058 cycles Nw/TECU

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_w}\left(\nabla\Delta L_w - \nabla\Delta L_{ew} + \lambda_{ew}\nabla\Delta N_{ew}\right) = \nabla\Delta N_w - \frac{1}{\lambda_w}\nabla\Delta\left(\varepsilon_{ew} + \boxed{m_{ew} - m_w}\right) + \frac{1}{\lambda_w}\left(\alpha_w - \alpha_{ew}\right)\nabla\Delta I + \ldots \Rightarrow \nabla\Delta N_w$$

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$$error(\nabla \Delta I) < 1/4\ TECU = 2.7\,cm_{L1-L2}$$

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-1.95 cycles N1/TECU

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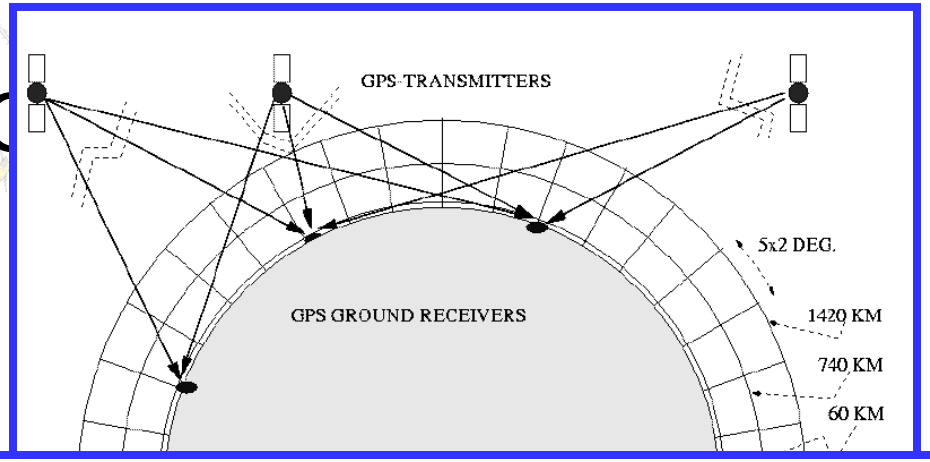
C iono.

WARTK-3



$$L_I = STEC + B_I = \int_{REC}^{SAT} N_e \, dl + B_I = \sum_i \sum_j \sum_k (N_e)_{i,j,k} \Delta s_{i,j,k} + B_I$$

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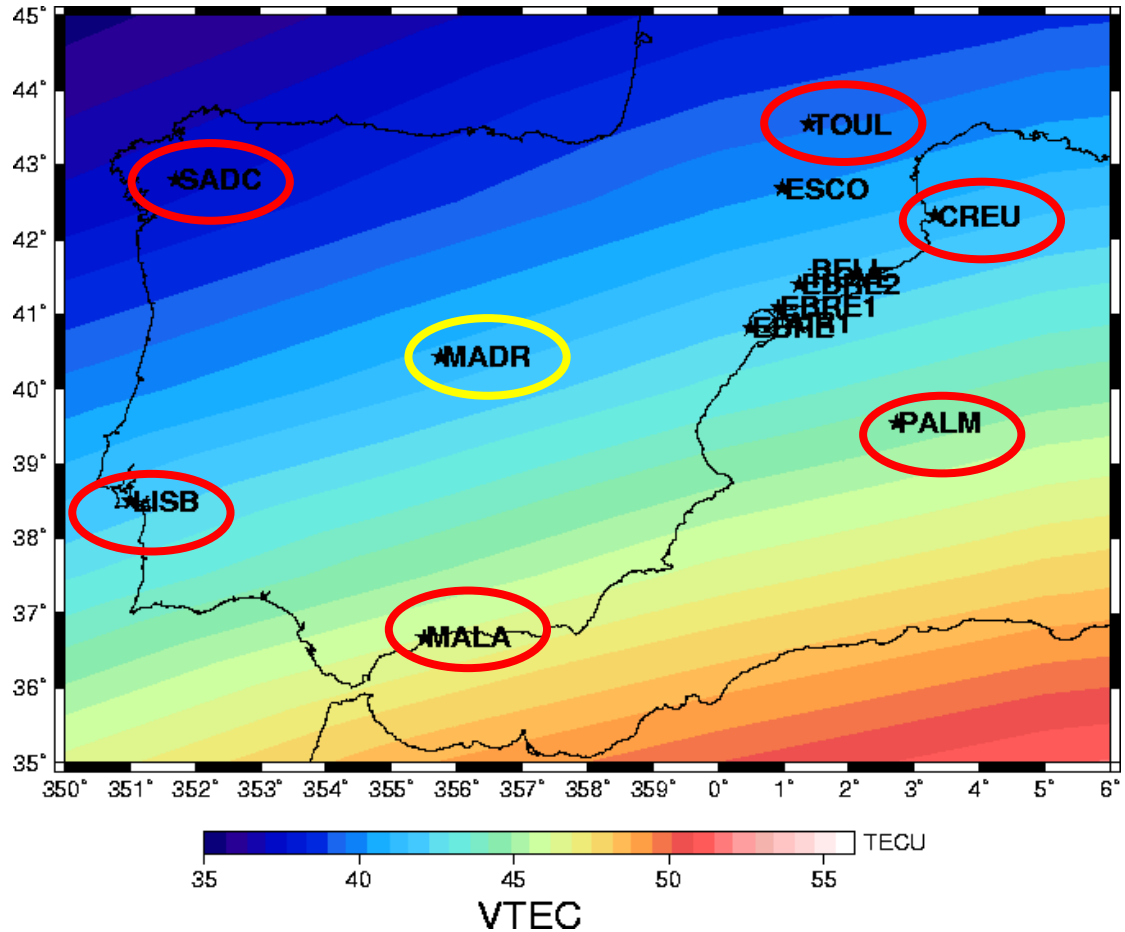
GALILEO: WARTK3 [gAGE-ESA patent,2002]

Centimetric navigation at hundreds of km from ref. stations

	ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
TCAR (3 frequency)	Low computational load.	Seriously limited by iono. refraction
ITCAR (3 frequency)	Improved results by integrating TCAR in a navigation filter	The iono. delay still limits the 3rd ambiguity fixing.
WARTK-2 (2 frequency)	Accurate RT ionos. modelling, allows precise navigation at hundreds of km far from the nearest site	In spite of speeding up the navigation Kalman filter, a significant convergence time can be still needed (5-15 min).
WARTK-3 (3 frequency)	Uses the extra-widelane, and an accurate iono. model to provide single-epoch navigation capabilities at hundreds of km far, and greatly speeding up the convergence of the Nav. Filter to just a few epochs.	

WARTK-3 allows INSTANTANEOUS (i.e., single epoch) ambiguity fixing at hundreds of Km far from the nearest ref. station

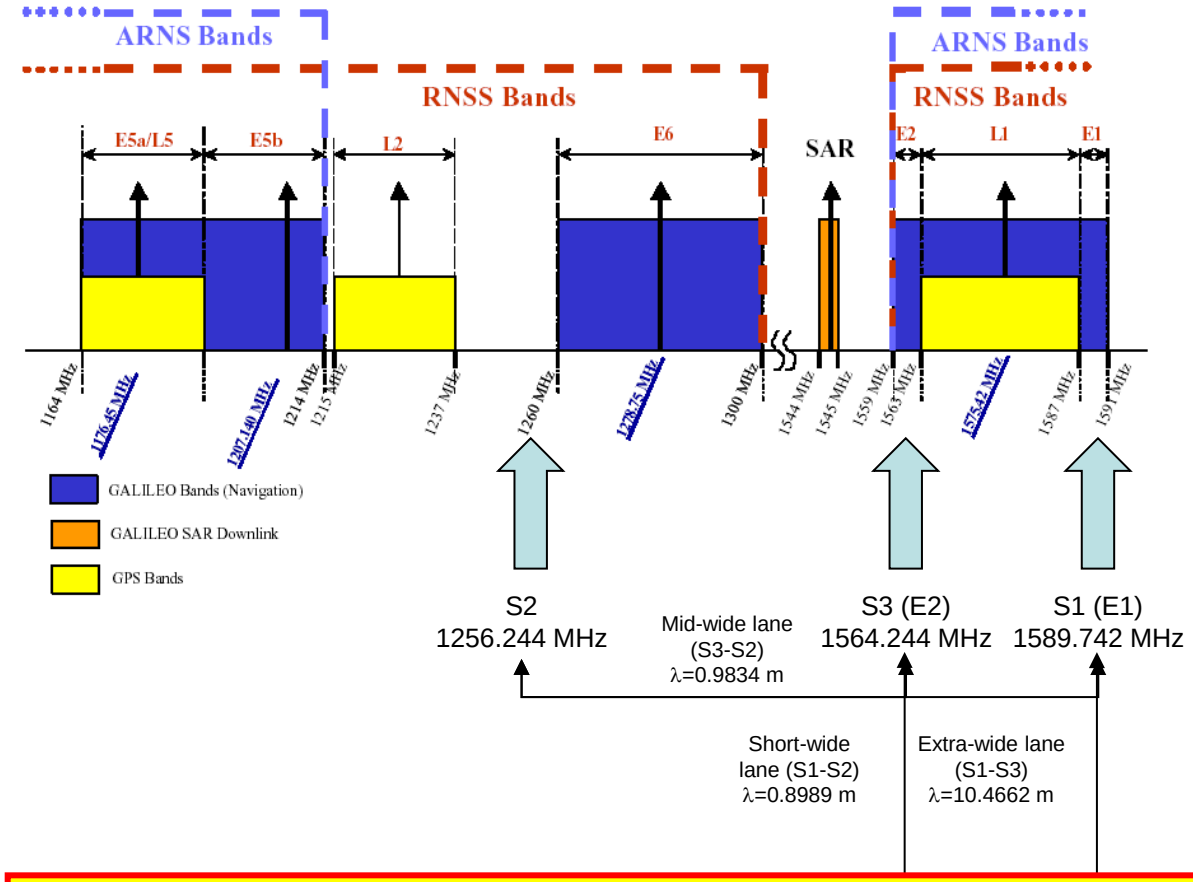
Experiment : MADR at 404km from the nearest station (EBRE) at Solar Maximum Conditions



FIXED STATION TREATED AS ROVER (MADR)

FIXED STATIONS (NETWORK)

WARTK3 Lab.Test camp.: Frequencies



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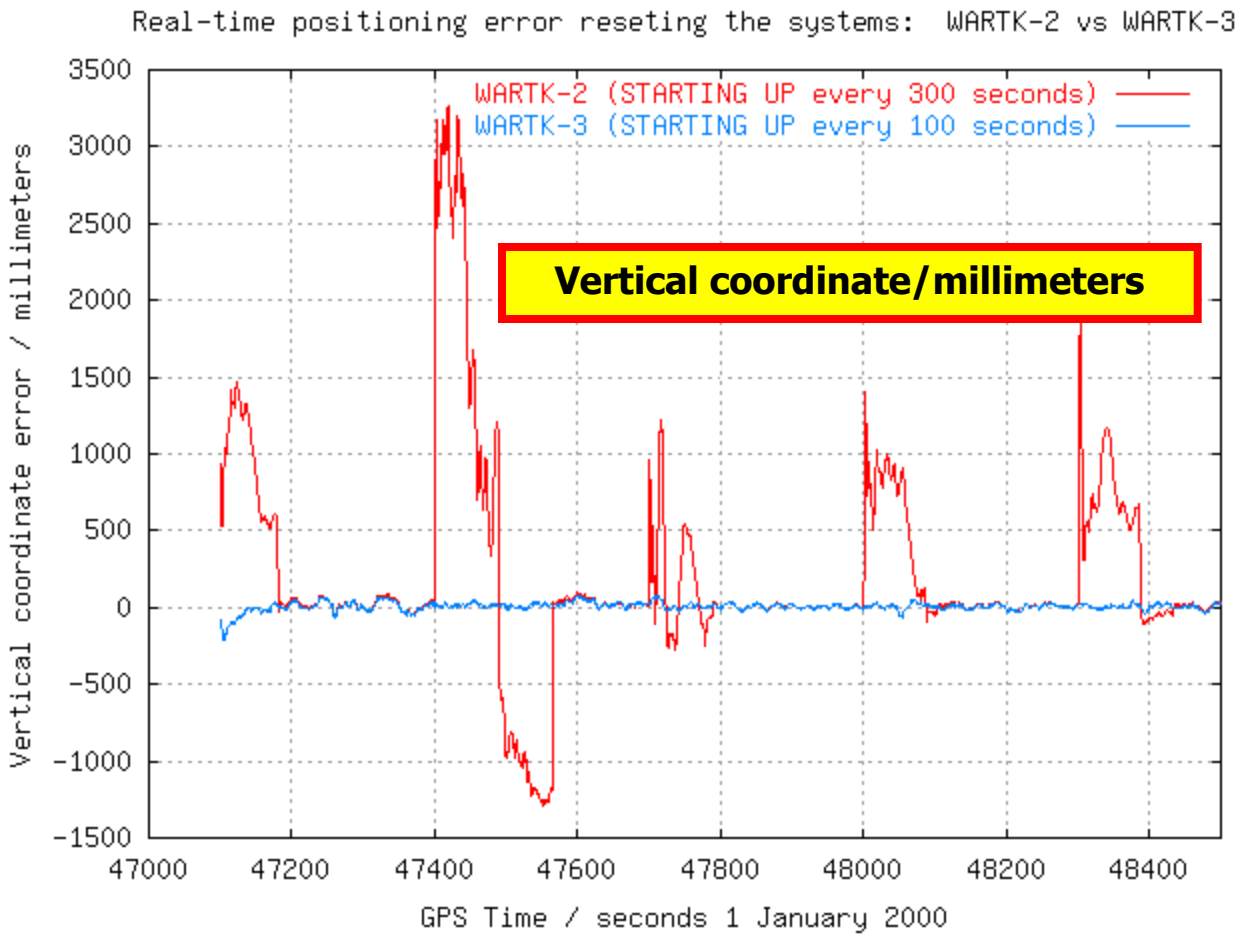
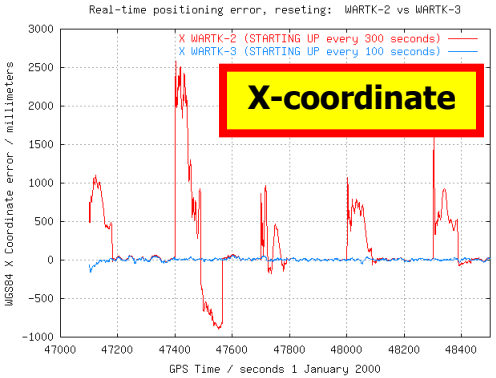
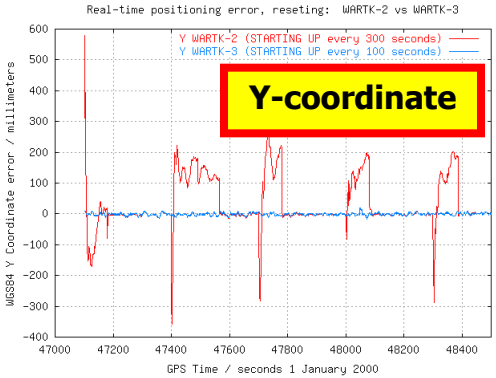
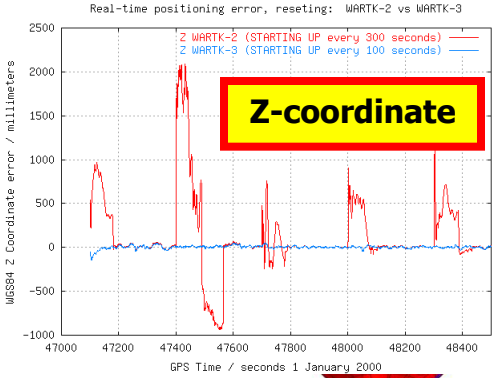
ROVE: WARTK3 vs WARTK2 (cool-start each 100/300s, including tropo.). Baseline > 400Km









Starting-up everything (cool start): WARTK-2 (i.e. with GPS data) provides equivalent results to WARTK-3 (RMS of 2 cm and 100% amb. fixed), but after a convergence time of ~100 sec. (instead of instantaneously).

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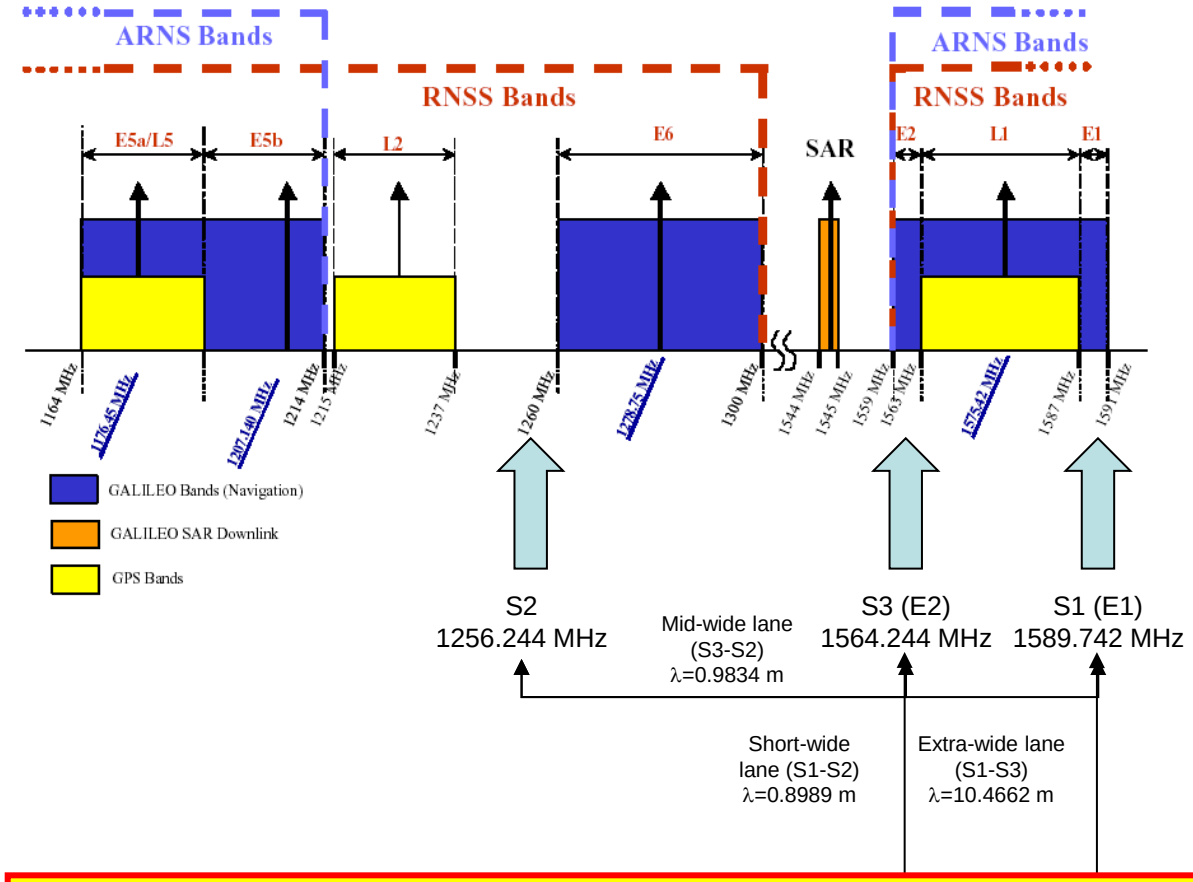

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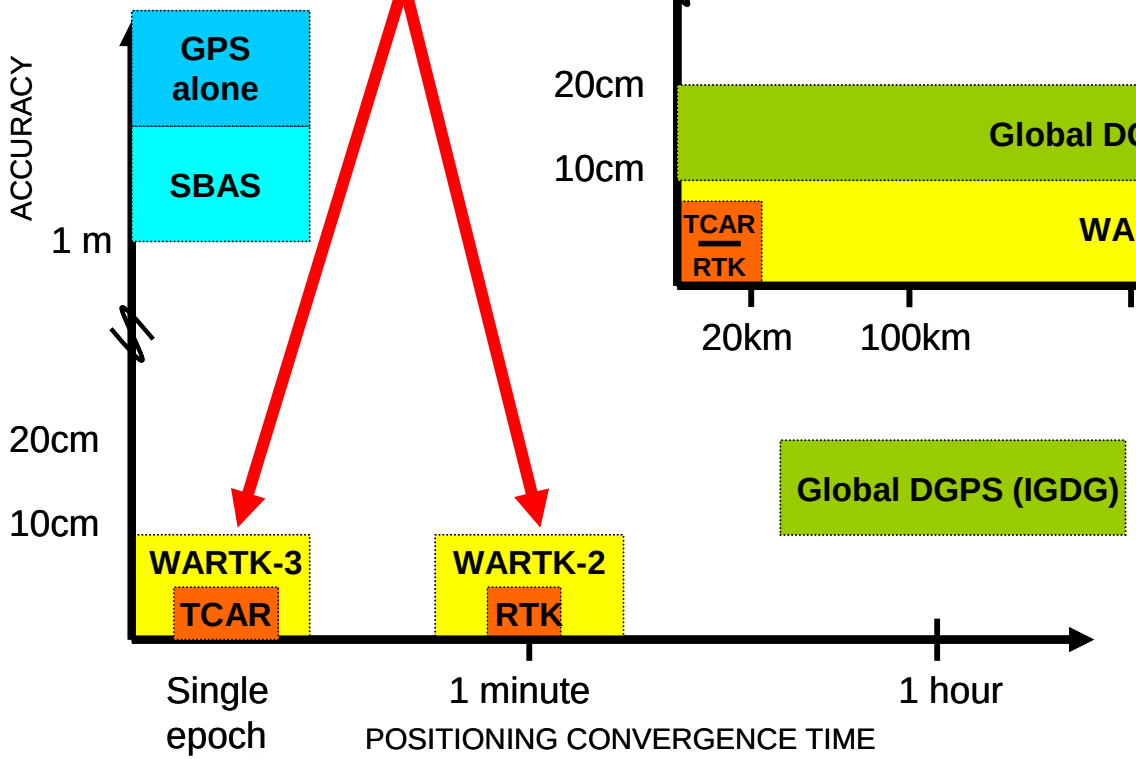
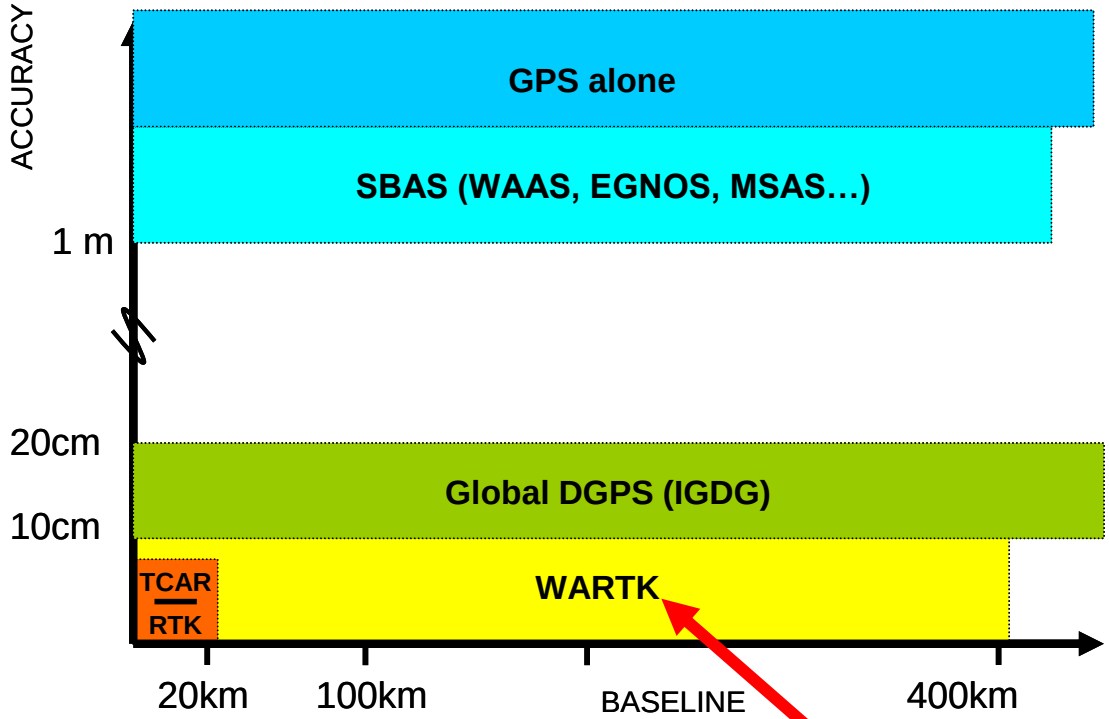
WARTK: subdecimeter-error navigation hundreds of kilometers away, and in single-epoch with 3-frequency systems

After general cycle-slips: Instantaneous recovery with 3-freq. systems (Galileo, modernized GPS), and about 1 minute with GPS.





Potential use of WARTK on SBAS service areas

WARTK*: experiments & results

Experiment	Shortest baseline/km Rover/Fixed	Ionospheric Activity	Fixed Rec. Ambiguity success %	Roving Rec. Ambiguity success %	Kind of rover	Region	Dates	Reported in
BellKin99	116 / 286	Mid.Solar Cycle & Quite	97	80-100	4x4 Car	Catalonia, NE Spain	23-03-99	Colombo et al. 99 (ION)
NWPacific1	400/900	Mid Solar Cycle & Active high lat. (Kp=6)	90-100	80	IGS Site	NWCanada-USA	03-05-98	Hernández et al. 00a, Colombo et al. 00 (GRL, PLANS)
NWPacific2	162/900	Mid-Low Solar Cycle & Irreg.	95-100	80-90	IGS Site	NWCanada-USA	28-04 to 01-05-98	Hernández et al. 00b (ION)
SolarMax1	130/500	Solar Maximum	85-95	80	IGS Site	Central Europe	19 to 22-04-00	Hernández et al. 01 (GRL)
SolarMax2	130/500	Solar Max. & Supestorm	50-95	80	IGS Site	Central Europe	12 to 15-07-00	Hernández et al. 00b (ION)
Baltic99	144/285	Travelling Iono. Disturb. (TIDs)	97	83	IGS Site	North Europe	25-08-99	Hernández et al. 01b (ION)
Equator01	1000-3000/.	Solar Max. & Equator & Very Active (Kp to 9)	90	---	IGS Sites	Central Asia to Oceania	06-03 to 02-04-01	Hernández et al. 02 (JGR)
TCARdata (simulated)	130/300	Solar Max.	100	92 (single-epoch)	Sim. car	Central Europe	17-03-00 (noon)	Hernández et al. 03a-b (IEEE TGARS, Navigation)
UNBAR01	70-115/100	Solar Max. & Strong TIDs	100	~80 (with integrity)	Car	Barcelona, NE Spain	11-06-01	ION-GPS2004
WARTK3 Lab.Test 1-2	178-238 /250-600	Solar Max.	100	100	1:Car 2:Air.	Iberian Peninsula	31-03-90 (ionos.)	ION-GPS 2004
WARTK3 Lab. Test 3	416/250-600	Solar Max.	100	99	Fixed Site	Iberian Peninsula	31-03-90 (ionos.)	ION-GPS 2004

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