

Why Trimble Supports GPS Modernization

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Modernized GPS: A platform for innovation

- System Stability
- Operational excellence
- Open, well defined signals
- One example of where modernization can take us



System Stability

GPS operational satellites





Operational Excellence

Table 3-4. Service Reliability Standard

| Service Reliability Standard | Conditions and Constraints |
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| ≥ 99.94% global average | 30-meter Not-to-Exceed (NTE) SPS SIS URE. |
| | Standard based on a measurement interval of one year; average of daily values within the service volume. Standard based on 3 service failures per year, lasting no more than 6 hours each |
| ≥ 99.79% worst case single point average | 30-meter NTE SPS SIS URE. Standard based on a measurement interval of one year; average of daily values from the worst-case point within the service volume. Standard based on 3 service failures per year, lasting no more than 6 hours each. |

- Specs from GPS Standard Positioning Service Performance Standard 2001
- This and the other established standards have been met every year since



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8 month 2005 GPS anomaly list from USAF Space command

Anomaly Summary

SVN37 (PRN7): 3 Apr – Load-shed SVN31 (PRN31): 14 Apr - Baseband reset SVN27 (PRN27): 14 May - Rubidium #1 runoff leads to clock swap SVN26 (PRN26): 9 Jun – Rubidium #1 clock jump SVN15 (PRN15): 22 Jun – Comparator **Reference Value Change** SVN32 (PRN1): 24 Jul – Load-shed SVN26 (PRN26): 21 Aug – Crypto Variable Upload



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Open, well defined signals

- Well-defined signals make a platform for innovation
 - Interface control documents have been widely available throughout the history of GPS
- Raw signals from space rather than prepackage applications enable innovation
 - Nobody had thought of RTK when the system was designed, yet here we are with centimeter performance



Example of innovation driven by modernization





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Real time kinematic trades simplicity for accuracy





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High accuracy from GPS is widely used in industry

- RTK initialization or reinitialization can take up to 30 seconds
- It is impossible to hide this from the user
 - Not a problem for high value applications, like farming and construction
- High accuracy for general use depend on simplicity
 - Lower prices will follow



GPS Modernization can make precise location ubiquitous

- 3 frequencies will dramatically reduce the initialization/ reinitialization time
- Combined with wireless corrections, the underlying complexity can be hidden from the user
- Accuracy and simplicity will go hand-in-hand



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- Innovation will deliver more uses that are not yet foreseen