Module 3A

Technologies of Interest to Surveyors in 2025

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NSSO “Should Be” PNT Architecture 2025

Primary PNT Gaps

- Gaps primarily drawn from military’s PNT Joint Capabilities Document, with additions and modifications from parallel civil community documents and discussions
- Physically Impeded Environments
- Electromagnetically Impeded Environments
- Higher accuracy with integrity
- Notification of Hazardously Misleading Info (Integrity)
- High Altitude/Space Position and Orientation
- Geospatial information - access to improved GIS data (regarding intended path of travel)

Iridium Background
- Primary Purpose: Global, Micro-Aperture Communication
- User Base: Military, Civil, and Commercial
- Over 300,000 subscribers as of 2008
- Constellation Size: 66 Satellites
- Altitude: Low Earth Orbit (LEO)
- Boeing is Engineering and Operations Subcontractor to Iridium
- “Iridium NEXT” repopulation contracting underway

Physical Attributes for Enhanced Navigation
- Spatial Diversity
  - 1-3 satellites in view
  - LEO High Doppler/Rapid Geometry Change
- Built-in Comms & Datalink Global Backbone
- Higher power, similar frequency relative to GPS

Creating the First Global Integrated Nav-Com System
How Iridium is Modified to Enhance GPS

**How Iridium Provides Antijam Capability**
- Iridium higher power
- Longer coherent integration of GPS Signals
- Precision Time Transfer to User

**iGPS modifies Iridium Broadcast to add Wideband Ranging Waveform**
- Iridium broadcasts spread spectrum PRN ranging signal
- Modulates navigation messages for Iridium and GPS
- iGPS receiver measures range to each GPS and Iridium satellite and demodulates navigation data.
- 1 Moving Iridium satellite can be equivalent to 2 “static” GPS satellites
Creating a Global PNT & Com System

Enabled by Horizontal (ground) Integration of a LEO Nav-Com System & GPS
- Creates a more Robust GPS Constellation
  - Antijam Protection
  - Improved Operations in Restrictive Environments (Forests, Mountainous, Urban)
  - Enhanced Availability
- Initial capability deployable by 2010

GPS Signals
Iridium Crosslinks
Aiding Signal from Iridium High Power Spot Beams over an Area of Operations (AoO)
400 km diameter switchable beams
How iGPS Provides Rapid Accuracy and Integrity

• Ordinary 3D Kinematic GPS Provides Relative Position and Time
• LEO Motion Enables Resolution of the Absolute User Position and LEO Bias
• This is a carrier-only solution—no code is explicitly required.

String of Distinct SV Lines-of-Sight due to Rapid Angular Motion of LEO Satellite

True User Location

Consistent Range Measurements Assuming Proper Bias

Inconsistent (Null) Solution Assuming Improper Ranging Bias

**iGPS Offers High Accuracy AND Integrity via Scores of Virtual Satellites**
Successful June 07 Boeing Demo:
Real-Time Dynamic Tracking in the Presence of Interference

iGPS Achieves High Accuracy under Dynamics AND Interference
Status of Iridium / Boeing System

• Contract Award June 2010 for Constellation Replenishment
  – Space Exploration Technologies
    • Hawthorne, CA
    – $492 Million for next-generation satellites

• DoD Funding Levels
  – $170 Million so far for war fighter applications
  – NRL primary funding source
  – $40 Million allocated for FY 2011

• Largest Single Commercial Launch Contract to Date
In April 2006 Nokia described a mobile RTK (mRTK) application using a handset with a GPS receiver.

“The application enables high-precision double difference carrier phase positioning in the handset at no additional hardware cost.”

“The mRTK solution brings near professional quality positioning performance to the mass market using the Bluetooth Assisted GPS (BAG) incorporating the Fastrax iTrax03 12-channel L1 receiver.”

Demonstration Platform Diagram

Position, time, ephemeris and almanac assistance; mRTK measurements.

3G, GPRS, WLAN

Baseline

From BAG to SERVER:
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mRTK Performance

GPS Constellation Status

Baseline Constellation = “24 Expandable”

- Very robust constellation; exceeds user requirements
  - **31 satellites** currently in operation
    - 11 GPS IIA
    - 12 GPS IIR
    - 7 GPS IIR-M
    - 1 GPS IIF (set healthy 26 Aug 2010)
  - 4 additional satellites in residual status
  - 1 additional IIR-M waiting to be set healthy
- Global GPS civil service performance commitment met continuously since December 1993
24 Expanded Constellation Details

• In January 2010, the US Air Force announced it is expanding GPS from a 24 satellite configuration to a 24+3 configuration.

• The expansion will take up to 24 months to be fully implemented. It began in January 2010.

• 24+3 will have a positive affect on high precision users (<1 meter) such as surveying, mapping/GIS, construction, and engineering.

• SVN 49 and SVN 26 should have arrived at their destination slots by now.

• SVN 24 is en route and due to arrive January 2011.

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1 GPS World Webinar, Solar Activity, SBAS, and 24+3 GPS Constellation Updates Speaker: Eric Gakstatter, August 31, 2010
Expand to 24+3 in B/D/F Planes

Launch IIIF-1 or IIIF-2 into B or D planes as required

Weak Pairs
Current Slots
Shifted Slots
Added slots

Integrity - Service - Excellence
First launch of an Operational GPS IIF Satellite

Night launch of the first GPS IIF satellite on May 27, 2010; first GPS launch using the Delta IV rocket (Photo courtesy of United Launch Alliance)
General Characteristics

- Improved Accuracy through Advanced Atomic Clocks
- Longer Design Life than Previous GPS Satellites
- New third signal (L5) Primarily for Safety-of-Life Applications
- More Robust Military Signal (M-Code) and Second Civil Signal (L2C)
Frequency Stability (Hadamard Deviation) of SVN62 As Well As Two BIIF Rb Clocks Currently Under Lifetest At NRL.
Galileo Clocks

- The rubidium Atomic Frequency Standard (RAFS) and Passive Hydrogen Maser (PHM) are the baseline clock technologies for the Galileo navigation payload.

- The space hydrogen maser will be the master clock on the Galileo navigation payload.

- Two experimental satellites (Galileo In-Orbit Validation Element) GIOVE A and GIOVE B launched at the end of 2005 AND April 2008.

- One PHM and two Rubidium AFS on board GIOVE B.

Galileo Passive Hydrogen Maser Frequency Stability

P. Rochat, et. al., *The Onboard Galileo Rubidium and Passive Maser, Status & Performance*, IEEE 0-7803-9052-0/05
Frequency stability of SVN 62 along with the GPS constellation clocks using IGS CODE data and IGS combined products.
Higher than Expected Residual Errors Measured on IIF-1 Satellite

• German Aerospace Center (DLR) Found a Small Variance in the L5 Signal on IIF-1.
  ➢ Signal Variation About 5-6 cm with a Periodicity of About 6 Hours.

• Initial Reaction from GPS Wing at Schriever AFB is that signal fluctuation appears to be temperature-related.
  ➢ Periodicity correlates directly to the temperature extremes the satellite is experiencing at this time of the year (eclipse season) in its MEO orbit during standard checkout of the satellite.

1 An L5 Surprise, Don Jewel, GPS World, July 20, 2010
PRN-25/SVN-62 Tri-carrier Multipath Combination

\[ \text{MP}(L1,L2,L5) = +0.14 \cdot L1 - 0.77 \cdot L2 + 0.63 \cdot L5 \]
PRN-25/SVN-62 Ground Track During L5 Signal Transmissions on June 17, 2010

GPS L5: The Real Stuff, Oliver Montenbruck, et. al., GPS world, June 18, 2010
L5 Initial Transmissions

• First Publicly Tracked L5 Signals Transmitted Over Europe and Asia.
  ➢ US Tracking Stations Used for Standard Checkout of the Satellite Vehicle and Data Not Publicly Released Until Satellite Declared Healthy.

• L5 Signal Acquired by the CONGO Network
  ➢ Which is the First Global Network of Tri-band (L1/E1, L2, L5/E5a) GNSS Receivers Monitoring the GPS, GLONASS, GIOVE, and SBAS Satellites.
  ➢ CONGO network stations use JAVAD GNSS Triumph Delta-G2T/G3TH receivers with Leica Antennas.

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Way Forward


• Satellite's Performance Meets All Acquisition Specifications.
  ➢ SVN-62 Performance Compared to Relevant Specifications in a Half Day Session at ION GNSS 2010 in Portland, OR.
    ✁ All Specifications Are Met By SVN-62.

• US Tracking Stations Continue to Monitor L5.
  ➢ Monitoring Five Stations in IGS Network Currently.
  ➢ IGS Has Ordered 10 JAVAD GNSS Triumph L5/Galileo capable GPS receivers for US Tracking Stations.
The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) has developed a “super-accurate” atomic clock using quantum physics principles.

- New clock is 30 times more accurate than current versions
- Loses only one second in 3 Billion Years
- Potential use in critical infrastructure applications such as:
  - Synchronizing Telecommunications and Computer Networks
  - Controlling Electric Power Grids
  - Enabling Satellite Navigation and Positioning Systems
  - Documenting Financial Transactions

1. The Washington Post, Metro Section, 9/07/2010
Civil Signal Monitoring

- PNT Architecture 2025 Report Recommended Implementation of Civil Signal Monitoring as GPS is Modernized.

- A Civil Signal Monitoring Working Group (SMWG) was established and a Civil Signal Performance Standard (CMSP) Was Written and Approved on April 30, 2009.

- Since Then a Functional and Physical Architecture Has Been Developed by the SMWG and is Under Review Until November 2010.
2nd Space Operations Squadron (2SOPS) Conducted a flex Power Integration Assessment of the GPS Space and Control Segments on September 7-11, 2010.

Objective was to confirm functionality delivered in Ground control Segment AEP 5.5 OD.

- AEP 5.5 OD is a recent software upgrade that will enable the ground system to command and control the new GPS IIF satellite that launched May 28.

- No GPS satellite outages or impacts to the broadcast navigation message are anticipated.
For IIR-M and IIF:

- Flex Power increases the nominal transmit power of the desired signal by shifting power between signals – net sum gain remains the same
  - Among signals at L1 (i.e., P(Y), M, and C/A)
  - Among signals at L2 (i.e., P(Y), M, and L2C)
  - Not between L1 and L2
- Flex Power includes ability to control total transmit power, navigation message is unaffected
- Adding power to P(Y) code will not affect C/A code
NOTICE ADVISORY TO NAVSTAR USERS (NANU) 10XXX
NANU TYPE: GENERAL

*** GENERAL MESSAGE TO ALL GPS USERS ***

The purpose of this notification is to inform users that over the course of the next several weeks, 2 SOPS will conduct an integration assessment of the current software baseline.

There are no planned GPS satellite outages for this activity, and the broadcast navigation signal will remain IS-GPS-200 compliant.

Any military or civil users who encounter user equipment problems during this period should contact the GPSOC (military) or NAVCEN (civil) as soon as possible.

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Flex Power Testing (Cont.)

• On Tuesday, September 7\textsuperscript{th} (First Day of Testing) NRCan Stations (Canadian Stations in the IGS Network) operating Allen Osborne Associates (AOA) Benchmark receivers (7) began experiencing P2 code tracking problems.

• Further Investigations of This Problem are Ongoing.

• NGS also setup a Trimble NetR5 GPS Receiver with L2C capability to track data during Power Flex testing at our Facility in Corbin, VA.
  - Data Analysis to Start During Week of October 18\textsuperscript{th}. 
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From Chronometers to GPS

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For centuries, nations have invested enormous resources to determine time and place.
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Bird’s-Eye View
Highlights include:
- A walk-through 19th-century sailing vessel
- A submarine navigation center
- Navigation satellites
- A modern aircraft
- A robotic vehicle
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Schedule and Budget

Schedule

August 2009
Funding commitments in place

2009-2012
Payments made
*(Payment schedules will be customized)*

November 2012
Exhibition development and installation; web presence

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Budget

$3.65 million
Total budget requirement

$2.65 million
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