

# Localisation précise par moyens spatiaux

#### **Global GNSS Processing at CODE**

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#### Introduction

- IGS: International GNSS Service
- CODE one of the global IGS analysis centers
- Introducing some formats: RINEX, SP3, SINEX
- Orbit Determination (at CODE)
- Code Biases: DCB, ISB, IFB

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#### Orbit Determination (at CODE)

- Development of the IGS tracking station network
- Orbit quality as a function of the tracking network and observation modeling (reprocessing)
- Length of an orbital arc in the GNSS processing
- Methods for orbit validation
- Handling of GPS repositioning events

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- GNSS observation equation as starting point
- Dependencies of components in the observation equation from GNSS, frequency and observation type and resulting biases
- DCBs in a GPS, GLONASS, GPS/GLONASS network solution
- How DCBs can be computed?
- Bonus: GLONASS-GPS translation bias

# **IGS:** Motivation



- Repeatability (north, east, up) when processing 90 days of GPS observations at Graz (Austria) and Onsala (Sweden) (1200 km baseline) with broadcast orbits
- Towards the end of the 1980ties it was recognized that the error of the broadcast orbit was the accuracy limiting factor.
- As orbit determination for a satellite system is not a trivial business which can be done on a case-by-case basis, this was the motivation for the creation of a scientific orbit determination service.

# Rule of thumb by Baueršíma

 $\frac{\Delta_{Baseline}}{\Delta_{Orbit}} \approx \frac{Length \ of \ the \ baseline}{Height \ of \ the \ orbit}$ 

with *Height of the orbit*  $\approx 25000 km$ 

#### Errors in baseline components due to orbit errors (Baueršíma, 1982)

Orbit error	Baseline length	Baselir	ne error
2.50 m	1 km	0.1 ppm	0.1 mm
2.50 m	10 km	0.1 ppm	1 mm
2.50 m	100 km	0.1 ppm	10 mm
2.50 m	1000 km	0.1 ppm	100 mm
0.05 m	1 km	0.002 ppm	≈0 mm
0.05 m	10 km	0.002 ppm	<0.1 mm
0.05 m	100 km	0.002 ppm	0.2 mm
0.05 m	1000 km	0.002 ppm	2.0 mm

#### **IGS: History and first steps**

August 1989, IAG Scientific Assembly in Edinburgh first ideas to establish a service to support users with highest requirements in the GPS data processing

February 1991 Call for Participation with more than 100 responses

August 1991–March 1992 IGS Campaign Oversight Committee planned a two weeks test campaign in Summer 1992

21. June 1992 test campaign started activities never stopped again

November 1992 activities named now "IGS Pilot Service"

**01. January 1994** IGS starts as an official service of the IAG



#### IGS: What does it mean?

- International GPS Service for Geodesy and Geodynamics January 1994
- **International GPS Service** May 1998
- **International GNSS Service** March 2005



# IGS: Main components

- GNSS–Stations of the IGS–Tracking Network basis for IGS activities; contributions from many different organizations
- Regional and Global Data Centers provide the data to the users and analysis centers
- Analysis Centers

compute the products from the data of the IGS-stations

Analysis Center Coordinator

combines the contributions from the analysis centers to IGS-products

- Product Databases
   provide the IGS products to the users
- IGS Central Bureau day-to-day management of the IGS
- IGS Governing Board policy guidance of the IGS
- IGS Working groups for many different topics

# **IGS: Product lines**

Final series – ORB, ERP, CLK (300/30 sec. sampling), CRD

- available about two weeks after the end of the week
- GPS and GLONASS in compatible but independent series

#### Rapid series – ORB, ERP, CLK

- available at the day after the measurements, 17:00 UTC
- quality very close to the final products

Ultra-rapid series - ORB, ERP, (CLK, 300 sec. sampling)

- four updates per day, latency 3 hours
- contains 24 hours estimated and 24 hours predicted orbits
- GLONASS series on an experimental stage

# **IGS: Orbit combination**



- 1. An unweighted mean orbit between the Analysis Centers is computed.
- 2. The standard deviation of each contribution to this mean orbit is computed to assign a weight to each Analysis Center.
- 3. The combined IGS orbit consists of the satellite positions computed as the weighted mean of the positions contributed by the Analysis Centers.
- 4. The mean errors and the transformation parameters of the individual solutions with respect to the IGS orbit are made available every week for each day of the (preceding) week.

#### Combined IGS orbit

# IGS: Consistency of the final GPS orbits



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# **IGS: Product quality**

Quality of the IGS core products at end of 2011 (see http://acc.igs.org/erp/egu12-igu-erps.pdf)

Series	Product Type	Accuracy	
Ultra-Rapid (predicted)	GNSS Orbits GPS satellite clocks EOPs	GPS: 5 cm (1D) RMS: 3 ns PM: 250 µas	GLONASS: 10 cm (1D) SDev: 1.5 ns dLOD: 50 µs
Ultra-Rapid (observed)	GNSS Orbits GPS satellite clocks EOPs	GPS: 3 cm (1D) RMS: 150 ps PM: <150 µas	GLONASS: 10 cm (1D) SDev: 50 ps dLOD: 10 µs
Rapid	GNSS Orbits GPS sat. & rec. clocks EOPs	GPS: 2.5 cm (1D) RMS: 75 ps PM: <40 µas	SDev: 25 ps dLOD: 10 µs
Final	GNSS Orbits GPS sat. & rec. clocks EOPs Terrestrial Frame	GPS: 2.5 cm (1D) RMS: 75 ps PM: <30 µas N&E: 2 mm	GLONASS: <5 cm (1D) SDev: 20 ps dLOD: 10 µs U: 5 mm

# CODE: What does it mean?

CODE, Center for Orbit Determination in Europe, is one of at present ten Analysis Centers of the IGS.

CODE is formed as a joint venture of

- the Astronomical Institute of the University of Bern (AIUB),
- the Swiss Federal Office of Topography (swisstopo),
- the Institut f
  ür Kartographie und Geod
  äsie (BKG), and
- the Institut f
  ür Astronomische und Physikalische Geod
  äsie of TU M
  ünchen (IAPG, TUM).





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AIUB



Technische Universität München



# **CODE:** Analysis Center of the IGS

- CODE is located at the AIUB in Bern.
- CODE started operating on 21 June 1992.
- Initially about 20, today about 250 stations are processed daily.
- All results are generated using the Bernese GNSS Software.
- CODE provides products for the final, rapid, and ultra-rapid IGS products.

All of them (except clocks) are based on a fully combined GPS/GLONASS data analysis.

CODE started with this approach in May 2003. Meanwhile also other analysis centers join this a strategy.



#### International exchange formats

Within the IGS lots of data, products and meta information be exchange:	ation need to Format
<ul> <li>Meta data (equipment at the stations)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Observations data and navigation data from the stations</li> </ul>	RINEX
<ul> <li>Orbit products</li> </ul>	SP3c
<ul> <li>Solutions with full covariance information</li> </ul>	SINEX
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#### **RINEX: observations**

**RINEX = Receiver INdependent EXchange format** 

GNSS observation data in text format, independent from any internal receiver/manufacturer format

Contains (among others):

- Meta information (GNSS: equipment, antenna phase center offsets)
- List of observation types

Maintained by RINEX working group of IGS and RTCM-SC 104 (Chair: K. MacLeod, NRCan)



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4646K03180	TRIMBLE NETR	5 4.48	REC	# / TYPE / VERS
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101411252.65546	37.000	21.000	1872.578	1459.152
25309764.430		25309774.457		133003675.58304
103639299.76746	39.000	21.000	3726.313	2903.620
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Header part

Data part

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25309764.430		25309774.457		133003675.58304	Observation record
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#### **RINEX:** observations

**RINEX = Receiver INdependent EXchange format** 

Deficiencies of the currently used RINEX 2 format:

- For all satellites of all GNSS the full list of observations is expected. (if, e.g., Galileo is added much more empty fields in GPS and GLONASS fill appear)
- Not all necessary tracking information can be provided. (How the code on the 2nd frequency for GPS has really been constructed?)

A new format for multi-GNSS purposes has been developed: RINEX 3.



3.00 OBSERVATION DATA Mixed(MIXED)	RINEX VERSION / TYPE
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	ANTENNA: DELTA H/E/N
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G32 25935591.992 6 25935599.738 3	136292508.49916 106202065.95713
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G25 25663278.844 6 25663288.87	7 134861381.18616 1 <mark>00708253.85317</mark>
G26 23574927.578 7 23574937.262 5	123887081.627 7 96535400.917 5
G27 20694508.273 8 20694515.051 7	108750288.713 8 84740590.529 7
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G32 25935591.992 6 25935599.738 3 136292508.49916 106202065.95713	
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# **RINEX:** navigations

**RINEX = Receiver INdependent EXchange format** 

GNSS navigation data in text format, independent from any internal receiver/manufacturer format

Contains:

- GPS broadcast ephemerides
- GLONASS broadcast records

Maintained by RINEX working group of IGS and RTCM-SC 104 (Chair: K. MacLeod, NRCan)



#### SP3c: orbit products

- Positions (and velocities) for a list of satellites in a given sampling
- Given in the Earth fixed frame
- IGS provides positions of the GNSS satellites every 15 minutes
- Additional information:
  - Satellite clock corrections
  - Accuracy information
- Maintained by S. Hilla, NGS in cooperation with the services



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#### SINEX: solutions

SINEX = Solution INdependent EXchange format

Software- and technique independent

Contains:

- List of stations (Abbreviation, full name, description)
- Meta information (GNSS: equipment, antenna phase center offsets)
- List of parameters (description, time interval)
- Different options to deliver the solution
  - normal equation, observation vector, apriori values
  - solution vector, solution covariance matrix, apriori constraints

Maintained by IERS working group (Chair: D. Thaller, AIUB)

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# Number of active IGS tracking stations



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# IGS tracking network

- The tracking network of the IGS consists of 370 (out of 440)<sup>1</sup> active stations contributed by many organizations on a voluntary basis.
- The continuous densification of the IGS network allowed an impressive improvement of the quality of the IGS orbits and other products.
- Currently the IGS network is in a transition phase from a GPS-only to a combined GPS/GLONASS(/Galileo/...) tracking network. In this context two contradictory requirements need to be balanced:
  - to have quickly as many new receivers/antennas in place as possible as
  - to keep an installed antenna as long as possible without any changes to support a good long-term stability for reference frame establishment
- Nevertheless, we have to notice that many of these stations primary serve other goals than been an IGS station.

The maintenance of such a network is difficult and the data have to be used with care.

<sup>1</sup>Status: 27. August 2012



#### **Coordinate time series for Ankara**



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Reprocessing of the IGS series by CODE was performed at Institut für Astronomische und Physikalische Geodäsie Technische Universität München

Time interval:1996-2010

Includes GPS and GLONASS since May 2003

Statistics: 392 Stations

- 5,753 Daily solutions
- 1,278,571 Observation files
- 4,190,689,049 Original observations
  - 63,066,190 Parameters
    - ≈5 years CPU-time

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Stochastic orbit parameters	599,582	
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Scaling factor for APL model	3,064,737	457,896
Orbital elements	3,001,095	3,001,095
Stochastic orbit parameters	599,582	599,582
Earth rotation parameters	698,875	652,795
Geocenter coordinates	16,773	2,391
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### Coordinate time series for Zimmerwald



### **Coordinate time series for Zimmerwald**



### **Coordinate time series for Ankara**



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## Coordinate time series for Reykjavik



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# **GNSS** data processing

- A certain set of parameters need to be estimated in a GNSS-data analysis independent from the real purpose of the solution:
  - Mandatory: station coordinates, troposphere parameters (25%), ambiguities (50%)
  - Optional for GNSS orbit determination: GNSS orbit and Earth rotation parameters, geocenter coordinates
- GNSS-derived times series (e.g., station coordinates) reflect
  - 1. data analysis model and their changes, reference frame updates,
  - 2. equipment changes (antennas, receivers or even firmware), and
  - 3. real geophysical events or processes.
- A consistent reprocessing of the complete GNSS time series helps to eliminate (1st group) or reduce (2nd group) the influence from the GNSS data processing on the resulting time series.
- We have looked at station coordinate series so far. What about the orbits?

### Better orbit due to reprocessing



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Operational/reprocessed series from CODE

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# **CODE processing changes in 2011**



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# IGS-MGEX campaign

### **IGS-MGEX: IGS Multi-GNSS Experiment**

#### • August 2011: Call for Participation:

This Call for Participation for the IGS Multi-GNSS Experiment – IGS-MGEX – recognizes the availability of new additional GNSS signals and new constellations on the horizon. The IGS is preparing for this next phase in the evolution of the IGS to eventually generate products for all GNSS available.

- available.
  October 2011: Proposal deadline
- December 2011/January 2012: Evaluation of the proposals by the IGS' GNSS working group
- IGS-MGEX runs from 01-February until 31-August 2012 extended to the end of 2013
- First results have been presented at the IGS workshop in Olsztyn, Poland (end of July 2012).

# **CODE contribution to IGS-MGEX**

### CODE has contributed a triple-GNSS solution (the only?): GPS+GLONASS+Galileo

(Presented at the IGS workshop by Dr. Lars Prange)

- The solution has been derived from the IGS rapid procedure at CODE considering in addition available Galileo-tracking data (insufficient COMPASS and QZSS tracking data in May 2012).
- Technical details (for completeness):
  - Specific cluster containing all Galileo data has been processed to consider all correlations for the Galileo measurements in a optimal way.
  - No ambiguity resolution for Galileo observations has been done so far.
  - Orbit solutions for four weeks have been presented at the IGS workshop.
- A lot of data format problems have been sorted out together with IGS database and station managers before the IGS MGEX data could be processed.

# **CODE-MGEX:** station distribution

Number and distribution of tracking stations contributing to the CODE-MGEX solution



Number of stations that could theoretically track the satellites of the **Galileo** constellation; sampling 15 min; **DOY 150** 



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 smoothed day boundary discontinuities (in particular if the satellite was only weakly observed)

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# Methods for orbit validation

- Orbit overlaps 1.
  - Orbit solution day n-1 \_\_\_\_ Orbit solution day n \_\_\_\_ Orbit solution day n+1















 Day boundary discontinuities cannot be used as a real quality indicator anymore.










#### **CODE-MGEX** solution: 3-day orbit fit



(mean: G01: 0.9 cm; R24: 1.5 cm; Galileo: 2.0 – 3.4 cm)







- 3. Comparison with independent measurements (e.g., SLR)
  - Consistency of the station coordinates between GNSS and SLR is required.
  - Biases of both techniques need to be known.
  - In case of problems an identification must be implemented to define which technique has caused the problem.











GNSS data are typically provided in observation files of one day. A one-day orbit solution is, therefore, native.

#### Why longer orbital arcs?

- With longer satellite arcs deficiencies in the tracking network can be compensated. The solution becomes more robust for poorly observed satellites.
- The orbit model must be good enough to represent the satellite trajectory during the longer satellite arc.

#### Why not longer orbital arcs?

- The consecutive days are not independent anymore.
  - need to be considered when validating the orbits
  - problems in the analysis from one day may degrade also the orbits from other days.
  - the measurements are used more than once.

The receiver are continuously measuring but the ambiguities from one satellite pass are artificially cut due to processing batches.



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- extracting the orbit for day n from a long arc over three (or more) days.
  - Each observation is used exact three times.
  - Can easily be generated on normal equation level. (each observation needs only be processed once)
- increase the length of the processing batch.
  - Orbital arcs are shorter less smoothing.
  - Observation files need to be re-organized (from daily files).
  - The processing for each arc starts from the original observation what increases the processing load.

# GPS satellite repositioning events

#### CODE determines the repositioning events for the GPS satellites.



- Two independent satellite arcs are assumed (before and after the event)
- The smallest distance between both arcs gives the epoch and magnitude of the event.



# GPS satellite repositioning events



As computed by CODE

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# GPS satellite repositioning events



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#### Outline

- Introduction
- Orbit Determination (at CODE)

#### Code Biases: DCB, ISB, IFB

- GNSS observation equation as starting point
- Dependencies of components in the observation equation from GNSS, frequency and observation type and resulting biases
- DCBs in a GPS, GLONASS, GPS/GLONASS network solution
- How DCBs can be computed?
- Bonus: GLONASS-GPS translation bias

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position vector of satellite *k* related to its center of mass



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position vector of satellite k related to its center of mass

vector from the center of mass of the satellite *k* to the antenna signal emission point for code and phase observations



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hardware delay in the satellite *k* for code and phase measurements

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phase ambiguity (one and the same for one pass)



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phase ambiguity (one and the same for one pass)

initial phase shift between the oscillators at station *i* and satellite *k* 

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- Signal type: (C1P/C or C2P/C or L2P/C or ...) Code:  $a_i \quad a^k$  DCB: Differential code bias Phase:  $\alpha_i \quad \alpha^k$  (Quarter cycle problem)

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Code:	$\overrightarrow{\Delta x^k}$	$\overrightarrow{\Delta x_i}$	$a_i$	$a^k$	IFB: Inter-frequency bias
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 $a^k$ 

 Signal type: Code:

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#### DCB: Differential code bias

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## Biases when processing code data

If we focus on processing code measurements we have to consider:

- DCB: differential code bias different hardware delays for P- and C-Code bias at the receiver and satellite
- ISB: inter-system bias different hardware delays for measurements of different GNSS bias only at the *receiver*

#### IFB: inter-frequency bias

frequency-dependent hardware delays for the different GLONASSsignals bias at the *receiver* (also at the satellite when frequency is changed)



#### Relation between receiver code biases



We can only extract the sum of delays from a GPS/GLONASS data processing.



## Why do we need these biases?













# DCBs in a GPS network solution

Depending on the code measurements of the individual receivers we can get:

- C1P-C1C or P1-C1 DCBs for all GPS satellites,
- C2P-C2C or P2-C2 DCBs for Block IIR-M (or later) satellites,
- C2P-C2C or P2-C2 DCBs for receivers if it tracks GPS satellites with P- and C-code on the second frequency at the same time.

#### As soon as we get a mixture between all these observation types in one network solution we need

- either to correct the DCBs in the data processing
- or to estimate DCB parameters
  - P1-C1: Your reference clock only belongs to either the P- or C/A-code class – you need an additional reference for the satellite related biases.
  - P2-C2: You have these DCBs at the satellites and receivers at the same time – you need additional references for the satellite and receiver related biases.











# DCBs in a GLONASS network solution

Depending on the code measurements of the individual receivers we can get:

- C1P-C1C or P1-C1 DCBs for all GLONASS satellites,
- C2P-C2C or P2-C2 DCBs for all GLONASS satellites.

As soon as we get a mixture between all these observation types in one network solution we need

- either to correct the DCBs in the data processing
- or to estimate DCB parameters
  - P1-C1 and P2-C2: Your reference clock only belongs to either the P- or C-code class – you need an additional reference for the satellite related biases.

Note that we need to consider in addition an inter-frequency bias (IFB) because each GLONASS satellite emits the signal on another frequency.





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 $+DCB^{l}(C1P - C1C)$ 





## **Bias in a GPS/GLONASS network solution**

We can see all DCBs from a GPS and GLONASS network solution and the **GLONASS IFB** in a combine **GPS/GLONASS** network solution.

Note that we need to consider in addition an inter-system bias (ISB) at each combined GPS/GLONASS receiver.

All these biases are hardware related (with respect to the satellites or receivers). Consequently we can only assess them as one single parameter  $a_i = DCB + IFB + ISB$ .

- References are needed for
  - P1-C1 DCB for GPS satellites,
  - P2-C2 DCB for GPS satellites and GPS receivers tracking C2C,
  - ISB for combined GPS/GLONASS tracking receivers,
  - IFB for GLONASS tracking receivers.



## **Bias in a GPS/GLONASS network solution**

In consequence the estimated biases depend on the realization of the reference (e.g., selection of a reference or list of stations in case of zero-mean conditions).

These biases need to be considered (estimated or corrected) at any time when different types of code measurements are involved.

Typical examples are:

- Receiver/satellite clock estimation in a zero-difference network solution.
- Melbourne-Wübbena linear combination for ambiguity resolution (even in the double-difference analysis).

An alternative approach to obtain the DCBs is to inspect RINEX observation files containing the full list of observations.


# **Direct access from RINEX files**

If RINEX observation files contain all possible code measurements GPS: C1P C1C C2P C2C GLONASS: C1P C1C C2P C2C

the following differences can be evaluated to derive the DCBs:  $(C1P)^{GPS} - (C1C)^{GPS} = DCB_{GPS} (P1-C1) - DCB^{GPS} (P1-C1)$   $(C2P)^{GPS} - (C2C)^{GPS} = DCB_{GPS} (P2-C2) - DCB^{GPS} (P2-C2)$   $(C1P)^{GLO} - (C1C)^{GLO} = DCB_{GLO} (P1-C1) - DCB^{GLO} (P1-C1)$   $(C2P)^{GLO} - (C2C)^{GLO} = DCB_{GLO} (P2-C2) - DCB^{GLO} (P2-C2)$ 

Because each observation contains the DCBs for the receiver and satellite we need again a convention regarding the reference (e.g., zero-mean condition for all satellites).

This direct DCB determination approach is the only way to get access to the GLONASS DCB values independent from the inter-system bias.

### **CODE's GNSS P1-C1 DCB monthly solution,**

computed for December 2011 (directly from RINEX)







### **CODE's GNSS P2-C2 DCB monthly solution,**

computed for December 2011 (directly from RINEX)



















# ISB/IFB from a GPS/GLONASS solution

Differences between ISB characteristic of the receivers

Difference		Number of stations	Mean in ns	Median in ns	RMS in ns
CODE	GFZ	52	-210.6	-209.4	4.9
CODE	ESA	39	-377.5	-377.6	5.1
GFZ	ESA	36	-167.7	-168.2	6.1
CODE	GRGS	50	-371.9	-372.1	18.7
GFZ	GRGS	46	-162.1	-163.0	19.2
ESA	GRGS	34	6.1	5.8	20.6

- High consistency (low RMS) with a proper IFB—handling (enough weight for the code measurements?)
- Test whether the ACs select the same type of code observations (CODE differs from ESA and GFZ)

### **Further biases**

- When forming linear combinations from the P<sub>1</sub> and P<sub>2</sub> measurements LC = k<sub>1</sub> · P<sub>1</sub> + k<sub>2</sub> · P<sub>2</sub> the original P1-C1, P2-C2 DCB values have to be applied with the corresponding coefficients: DCB(LC) = k<sub>1</sub> · DCB(P1C1) + k<sub>2</sub> · DCB(P2C2)
- Alternative factors need to apply when P<sub>2</sub> or C<sub>2</sub> is not directly tracked (e.g., cross-correlation technique).
- When extracting the ionosphere information by a  $P_1 P_2$  linear combination, the differences between the hardware delays for  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  at the receiver and satellite need to be considered as an additional type of DCBs: DCB(P1P2)
- With more GNSS and their new signals more groups of DCBs will become relevant (e.g, third frequency for GPS and GLONASS).

# Dependency of the terms

$$P_{i}^{k} = \left| \left( \overrightarrow{x^{k}} + \overrightarrow{\Delta x^{k}} \right) - \left( \overrightarrow{x_{i}} + \overrightarrow{\Delta x_{i}} \right) \right| + T_{i}^{k} + I_{i}^{k} + c \cdot (\delta_{i} + a_{i}) - c \cdot (\delta^{k} + a^{k})$$
$$L_{i}^{k} = \left| \left( \overrightarrow{x^{k}} + \overrightarrow{\Delta x^{k}} \right) - \left( \overrightarrow{x_{i}} + \overrightarrow{\Delta x_{i}} \right) \right| + T_{i}^{k} - I_{i}^{k} + c \cdot (\delta_{i} + \alpha_{i}) - c \cdot (\delta^{k} + \alpha^{k})$$
$$+ \lambda^{k} \cdot N_{i}^{k} + \lambda^{k} \cdot \Delta \varphi_{i}^{k}$$



# **GLONASS-GPS** translation bias

A GNSS antenna should be individually calibrated for each GNSS to consider the system-dependency of the  $\overrightarrow{\Delta \chi_i}$  term.

The coordinate GLONASS-GPS translation bias shall compensate for a potential deficiency in the GNSS-specific calibration of the antenna phase center offset.



- Station coordinate from GPS-only
- Station coordinate from GLONASS-only
- Vector between GPS- and GLONASS coordinates
- Two independent networks with independent datum definition
- Zero-mean condition over all GLONASS-GPS bias in XYZ

## **GPS/GLONASS-Bias**

Differences between weekly coordinate solutions for GPS/GLONASS stations with and without estimating GLONASS-GPS translation biases



Receiver/satellite antenna model: IGS05

## **GPS/GLONASS-Bias**

Differences between weekly coordinate solutions for GPS/GLONASS stations with and without estimating GLONASS-GPS translation biases



Receiver/satellite antenna model: IGS08

# **GLONASS-GPS** translation bias

A GNSS antenna should be individually calibrated for each GNSS to consider the system-dependensy of the  $\overrightarrow{\Delta \chi_i}$  term.

The troposphere GLONASS-GPS translation bias shall compensate for a potential deficiency in the GNSS-specific calibration of the antenna phase center variation.



- Troposphere estimates from GPS-only
- Troposphere estimates from GLONASS-only
- Difference between
  GLONASS- and GPS
  troposphere series
- No further condition is necessary.

# **GLONASS-GPS** translation bias



# **CODE processing changes in 2011**



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