# Introduction to GPS and other Global Navigation Satellite Systems

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# Outline

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- Current Status
- Modernization and New Capabilities
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  - Solutions
  - Errors
- Other Global Navigation
  Satellite Systems and Augmentations:
  GLONASS, GALILEO, BEIDOU (COMPASS), QZSS



# Applications of Satellite Navigation are Everywhere...

- Military
- Civilian
  - Transportation
  - Public services
  - Precise machine control
  - Timing and frequency
  - Surveying
  - Surveillance
  - Recreational
  - Space
  - Scientific applications
- Touches many aspects of every-day life





# Satellite Navigation Systems Provide:

#### Accuracy

 three dimensional accuracies of a few meters, and down to the level of millimeters for users with specialized equipment/processing

#### Availability

signal available anywhere on Earth where the user has a clear view of the sky

#### Integrity

 the assurance that the expected performance will be realized



The U.S. Global Positioning System (GPS) -History, Status, and Future

# **GPS** History



- Developed by the US Department of Defense
  - Early GPS program driver was Trident Missile Program (Submarine launched ICBM)
  - Satellites carry a nuclear detonation detection payload
- Early Satellite Navigation Systems
  - TRANSIT
  - Timation (first atomic frequency standards flown in space)
  - USAF 621B Program (use of PRN codes for ranging)
- First prototype GPS satellite launched in 1978
- First Block II (Operational) GPS satellite launched 1989
- Full Operational Capability declared in 1994
- First in series of "modernized" GPS satellites began launching in 2005

# GPS System Configuration – Three Segments



# **GPS** Space Segment

Nominal 24 satellite constellation

- Semi-synchronous, circular orbits (~20,200 km/10,900 nautical miles altitude)
- Repeating ground tracks (11 hours 58 minutes)
- Six orbital planes, inclined at 55 degrees, four vehicles per plane



- Designed for global coverage (at least 4 sats in view)
- Redundant cesium and/or rubidium clocks on board each satellite
- There have been 1-3 replenishment launches per year in recent years

#### **Current GPS Constellation Status**

- 31 space vehicles currently in operation
  - 10 GPS IIA
  - 12 GPS IIR
  - 7 GPS IIR-M
  - 2 IIF
  - 4 additional satellites in residual status
  - 1 additional IIR-M waiting to be set healthy
- Next launch expected: Sept. 2012
- Continuously assessing constellation health to determine launch need
- Global GPS civil service performance commitment met continuously since Dec 1993



# **GPS Control Segment**



# Control Segment – Map



- The current operational control segment includes a master control station, an alternate master control station, 12 command and control antennas, and 16 monitoring sites.
- Data from Air Force and NGA monitor stations incorporated into Control Segment Kalman filter solution.

# **GPS User Segment**

- GPS receivers are specialized "radios" that track GPS signals and produce position and velocity solutions
  - Wide range of cost/sophistication depending on the application
- Signals from 4 or more GPS satellites are required, but 8-10 are typically available at any time
- Low cost civil (SPS) receivers typically track only the L1 C/A signal.
- PPS receivers have special keys that allow tracking of the encrypted military codes transmitted on L1 and L2 signals.
- High performance civil receivers use special codeless or semi-codeless techniques to track the military signals.
- Receivers in the future will track new signals provided by GPS and other GNSS systems.

*Military Spacecraft* (~\$2,000,000)



Consumer Recreation (~\$100-500)



# Legacy GPS Signal Structure

#### Two L-band carrier frequencies

- L1 = 1575.42 MHz L2 = 1227.60 MHz
- Two PRN Codes Uniquely Identify Each Satellite
  - □ C/A: Coarse Acquisition (Civilian) Code
    - Broadcast only on L1 carrier
    - Available to all users
    - One millisecond repeat interval
  - P(Y): Military Code



- Y code is encrypted version of P code code sequence not published
- Available only to *authorized* (military) users on both L1 and L2 carriers
- 267 day repeat interval, divided into week-long segments transmitted by each satellite

PRN Codes are modulated with Navigation Message Data

- Provides ephemeris data and clock corrections for the GPS satellites
- □ Low data rate (50 bps)

# **GPS Modernization - Goals**

- System-wide improvements in:
  - Accuracy
  - Availability
  - Integrity
  - Reliability
- Robustness against interference
- Improved indoor, mobile, and urban use
- Interoperability with other GNSS constellations
- Backward compatibility



L2C

**L5** 

L1C

### **GPS Modernization - New Civil Signals**

#### Second civil signal

- Designed to meet commercial needs
  - Higher accuracy through ionospheric correction
  - 1<sup>st</sup> launch: Sep 2005 (GPS IIR-M); 24 satellites: ~2016

#### Third civil signal

- Designed to meet demanding requirements for transportation safety-of-life
- 1<sup>st</sup> launch: May 2010 (GPS IIF); 24 satellites: ~2019

#### Fourth civil signal

- Designed with international partners for GNSS interoperability
- More robust across broad range of applications
- Begins with GPS III
- 1<sup>st</sup> launch: ~2014 (GPS III); 24 satellites: ~2021



Benefits existing professional receivers





Under trees

## **GPS** Modernization – Spectrum



## Spectrum of Other GNSS Systems





- Architecture Evolution Plan (AEP)
  - Transitioned in 2007
  - Modern distributed system replaced 1970's mainframes
  - Increased capacity for monitoring of GPS signals to 100% worldwide coverage (was 96.4%) and have 99.8% of world double covered
  - Increased worldwide commanding capability from 92.7% to 94.5% while providing nearly double the backup capability

#### Next Generation Operational Control Segment (OCX)

- Enables modernized messaging
- Controls more capable GPS constellation
- \$1.53B contract awarded February 2010
- Deployed in 2015 timeframe



#### **GPS Modernization Summary**



Courtesy Thomas D. Powell, GPS Systems Engineering, The Aerospace Corporation, 18 April 2010



- The AF, DoD, and U.S. Government are committed to being good stewards of GPS
- The GPS Standard Positioning Service (SPS) Performance Standard defines the levels of performance the U.S. Government commits to provide civil GPS users
  - Precise Positioning Service (PPS) Performance Standard for military
- Documents updated periodically to reflect service improvements
- GPS SPS Performance Standard (Sep 2008) available on gps.gov website
  - <u>http://www.gps.gov/technical/ps/</u>



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#### **PPS** Signal in Space Performance



#### System accuracy exceeds published standard



#### **SPS** Signal in Space Performance



# Satellite Navigation System Fundamentals

### Importance of Precise Timing to GPS

- Precise timing is fundamental to realizing high performance from satellite navigation systems
- A typical GPS receiver provides user position estimates accurate to a few meters by measuring the range (signal delay) between the user and multiple GPS satellites
  - Assume the specified ranging error contribution from the satellite clock is one meter
  - One-meter ranging error is equivalent to 3.3 ns (one meter / speed of light = 3.3x10<sup>-9</sup> s)
- GPS control segment predicts GPS clock performance over a 12 hour period (nominal frequency at which clock data is uploaded to the GPS satellites)
  - 3.3 ns of 12 hours requires a clock with about one part in 10<sup>13</sup> stability: 3.3x10<sup>-9</sup> s / 43200 s = 0.8x10<sup>-13</sup>

## **Atomic Clocks in Space**

- GPS satellites carry redundant rubidium or cesium oscillators (or a combination)
  - Precise frequency standard provides a reference for generating the ranging signals transmitted by the satellites
- Clocks on the satellites are steered by GPS ground controllers to Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) as maintained by the US Naval Observatory (USNO)
  - A direct reference to UTC(USNO) can be made automatically by most timing receivers by using corrections included in the broadcast GPS NAV message.
  - By mutual agreement, UTC(USNO) and UTC(NIST) are maintained within 100ns (and frequency offset <1x10<sup>-13</sup>)
- Traceability to UTC(USNO) enables precise time and frequency transfer on a global scale.

## Modeling of Relativistic Effects in GPS

- Atomic clocks in GPS satellites are given a fixed fractional frequency offset of -4.46475x10<sup>-10</sup> to compensate for relativistic effects in the GPS satellite orbits
  - Second-order Doppler shift a clock moving in an inertial frame runs slower than a clock at rest
  - Gravitational frequency shift a clock at rest in a lower gravitational potential runs slower than a clock at rest in a higher gravitational potential
- Without this offset, GPS satellite clocks would gain ~38 microseconds per day relative to clocks on the ground (~11 km range error)
- GPS receivers apply an additional correction of up to 23 ns (~7 meters) to account for eccentricity in the satellites' orbit

## Satellite Navigation and Precise Timing are Fundamentally Linked

- GPS has become a primary system for distributing time and frequency globally
- Satellite navigation systems allow users to synchronize clocks and calibrate and control oscillators in any location with access to an antenna
- Applications range from use in telecommunications networks to timing laboratories

# **Precise Timing is the Basis for the Navigation Solution**

- Satellite navigation is based on:
  - The precise measurement of time
  - The constancy of the speed of light
- GPS and other systems use the concept of trilateration:
  - Satellite (transmitter) positions are known
  - Receiver position is unknown
- Receiver position is estimated using measurements of the transit-time of a signal between the satellite and receiver

# Trilateration Example: 3 Transmitters, 1 Receiver

- Measurement of range requires precise knowledge of the time the signal is transmitted from the satellite, and received at the receiver
- Range (ρ) or "time of flight" measurement performed using ranging code on the signal



# **Position Solution**

- The position solution involves an equation with four unknowns:
  - Three components of receiver position (x, y, z)
  - Receiver clock bias
    - Position accuracy of ~1 m implies knowledge of the receiver clock to within ~3 ns
- Requires simultaneous measurements from four satellites
  - The receiver makes a range measurement to the satellite by measuring the signal propagation delay
  - Data message modulated on the ranging signal provides:
    - precise location of the satellite
    - corrections for errors in the satellite clock

#### GPS is a

## **Spread-Spectrum Communications System**

- Uses Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA):
  - Each satellite assigned a unique Pseudo-Random Noise (PRN) Code
  - All satellites transmit at the same frequency
- The power associated with the transmitted data is "spread" over a wide frequency band
- The received power is very low (below ambient noise levels)
- The transmitted signal is the combination of three signals:



# GPS L1 C/A Signal (Time Domain)





### **GPS Receiver Acquisition and Tracking**

- To detect the GPS signal and recover the navigation data, the receiver must produce a replica of the GPS signal with the correct time delay and Doppler to mix with the incoming signal
  - PRN codes for satellites are known
  - Receiver performs a search across possible time delays and Doppler shifts to acquire the signal
- GPS measurements are derived from the values of the PRN code phase (time delay) and carrier Doppler shift necessary to produce a large correlation with the incoming signal
  - Measurements are products of the receiver signal tracking loops

# **GPS** Observables

#### GPS receivers typically report the following measurements

- Pseudorange
  - Propagation delay measured using the transmitted PRN code
- Doppler
  - Measured frequency shift of the received carrier signal
- Carrier Phase
  - Measured by counting accumulated cycles of the carrier signal
- □ C/N<sub>0</sub>
  - Carrier to noise spectral density (dB-Hz)






#### **Measurement Equation**

 GPS receiver measures range or distance to the GPS satellite by measuring the transit time of the signal:

$$\rho_k = c \left( t_r - t_T \right)$$

time of signal reception, (based on receiver clock, can be significantly in error)

time of transmission, encoded in signal by GPS satellite clock (known precisely)

 Measurement is called "pseudorange" because the measurement includes the transit time biased by the error in the receiver clock

# **GPS** Pseudorange Measurement Equation

The GPS pseudorange measurement reaching the receiver, y<sub>R</sub> has several changes:

$$y_{R}(t) = A_{R} \cdot d(t-\tau) \cdot c(t-\tau) \cdot \cos\left[\left(\omega_{L1} + \omega_{d}\right)(t-\tau) + \left(\theta + \delta\theta\right)\right] + n$$

- Time-delay, au
- Doppler frequency shift, w<sub>d</sub>
- Phase shift,  $\delta \theta$
- Amplitude of received signal, A<sub>r</sub>
- Wideband noise, n

#### Measurement Equation (cont)

Measured pseudorange to a satellite, k comprises:

$$\rho_{k} = \left\| \mathbf{r}_{k} - \mathbf{r} \right\| + c \left[ \delta t - \delta t_{k} \right] + I_{k} + T_{k} + \varepsilon_{k}$$
Receiver position and clock error solved for

- clock error solved for in GPS solution
- true range (satellite position,  $r_k$ , known)
- □ satellite clock error ( $\delta t_k$ , known)
- ionosphere and troposphere delays (I<sub>k</sub>, T<sub>k</sub>, estimated or measured)
- other errors (ε<sub>k</sub>, satellite ephemeris and clock mismodeling, measurement errors, multipath, receiver noise)

## **Carrier Phase**

The Doppler-shifted GPS carrier signal is mixed with the receiver reference signal to produce a beat wave whose phase can be measured with mm-level precision





- The overall phase measurement contains unknown number of carrier cycles
  - N is the carrier cycle ambiguity
- Advance in the carrier cycles since acquisition can be accurately counted
  - $\hfill \hfill \varphi$  is the accumulated phase at the epoch shown

# **Solution Accuracy**

- Two primary factors affect the fundamental position and time accuracy possible from the system:
  - Ranging error a function of the quality of the broadcast signal and data
  - Geometry the distribution of satellites in the sky
- The actual positioning accuracy achieved depends on system performance plus many other factors:
  - The design of the receiver (receiver/antenna noise levels, modeling errors, etc.)
  - Environmental effects such as ionosphere and troposphere signal delays, field of view obstructions, multipath signals, and jamming/interference.

# **Ranging Error**

#### User Range Error

Signal-In-Space User Range Error (URE) is the difference between a GPS satellite's navigation data (position and clock) and the truth, projected on the line-of-sight to the user.

URE

- Indication of signal quality for an individual satellite
- Composite of several factors
  - stability of particular satellite's clock
  - predictability of the satellite's orbit

# **Geometry – Dilution of Precision**

- Geometric Dilution of Precision (GDOP) is a measure of the quality of the receiver-to-GPS satellite range geometry
  - Related DOPs exist for position, horizontal, vertical, and time dilutions of precision
- Used in conjunction with the URE to forecast navigation and timing performance, weight measurements
- For GPS, DOP can range from 1 to infinity, with values in the 2-3 range being typical for GPS



#### Typical Error Budget (Based on GPS)

Error Source	Typical Error
lonosphere (< 1000 km)	1-5 m (single frequency, using broadcast model)
Troposphere (< 20 km)	0.1-1 m
GPS orbits	2.0 m (RMS)
GPS clocks	2.0 m (RMS)
Multipath ("clean" environment)	0.5-1 m code 0.5-1 cm carrier
Receiver Noise	0.25-0.5 m (RMS) code 1-2 mm (RMS) carrier

# **Differential Techniques**

- Receivers in close proximity can have their common error sources cancel
  - Ionosphere and troposphere delays
  - Satellite orbit error
  - Satellite clock error
- Single Differences (SD) formed from like measurements of the same GPS satellite made from two receivers
  - Removes errors common to both receivers
- Double Differences (DD) formed by differencing two SD measurements from the same satellite

#### Fixed Base Station

 Broadcast corrections from a base station at a known location



# Other GNSS Systems and Augmentations

#### **Global GNSS Constellations**



#### GLONASS: <u>GLO</u>bal <u>NAvigation Satellite System</u>





**GLONASS** Satellite Constellation

- Radio-based satellite navigation system operated by the Russian Space Forces
- 24 satellites in 3 orbital planes
- Each satellite transmits signal on unique frequency (FDMA)
- First satellite launched in 1982
- System fell into disrepair with collapse of Soviet Union
- Replenishment and modernization of the constellation made a top priority under the Putin Presidency
- Constellation Status:
  - http://www.glonass-ianc.rsa.ru/en/

# **GLONASS** Status

#### GLONASS Constellation Status (11 May 2012)

- 31 Total satellites in constellation
- 24 Operational
- In Commissioning Phase
- 2 In Maintenance
- 4 On-orbit spares
- Most recent launch in Nov 2011:
  - Nominal constellation of 24 operational satellites reestablished in 2011
- GLONASS accuracy has improved significantly over the past five years; approaching performance of GPS

## **GLONASS** Modernization

- GLONASS modernization efforts include:
  - Introduction of new CDMA signals for improved interoperability with other GNSS systems
  - Continue to broadcast legacy FDMA signals
  - New GLONASS K satellites with improved accuracy and longer design life
  - Improvements to ground control system



For more information, see: GLONASS Status and Progress, Sergey Revnivykh, 19 September 2011 http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/pdf/cgsicMeetings/51/3\_GLONASS\_CGSIC\_Oleynik.pdf

# GALILEO



- Galileo is a joint initiative of the European Commission (EC) and the European Space Agency (ESA).
- It will be interoperable with GPS and GLONASS, the two other global satellite navigation systems.
- Consists of 30 medium Earth orbit satellites, associated ground infrastructure, and regional/local augmentations.
- Will offer a basic service for free (Open Service), but will charge user fees for premium services.

http://www.esa.int/esaNA/galileo.html



#### **Galileo Constellation Configuration**

#### GALILEO DATA

Walker 27/3/1 Constellation altitude ~23616 km ↗ SMA 29993.707 km

inclination 56 degrees

27 + 3 satellites in three Medium Earth Orbits (MEO) period 14 hours 4 min
ground track repeat about 10 days



From "European GNSS Programmes EGNOS and Galileo," Paul Verhoef

# Galileo Status

- ESA's first two navigation satellites, GIOVE-A and –B, were launched in 2005 and 2008 respectively
  - Reserved radio frequencies set aside for Galileo by the International Telecommunications Union
  - Tested key Galileo technologies
- In-Orbit Validation (IOV) phase
  - First two of four operational satellites launched 21 October 2011 to validate the Galileo concept in both space and on Earth.
  - Two more will follow in 2012.
- Initial Operational Capability (IOC)
  - Additional satellites will be launched to reach Initial Operational Capability (IOC) around mid-decade.
- Fully deployed Galileo system consists of 30 satellites (27 operational + 3 active spares), positioned in three circular Medium Earth Orbit (MEO) planes

# **Chinese Compass System**

- In 2006 China announced plans to develop a 35-satellite, global navigation system
- The Compass system (also known as BeiDou) will include 5 geostationary orbit (GEO) satellites and 30 medium Earth orbit (MEO) satellites
- BeiDou will provide three carrier frequencies foreseen to be interoperable with other systems.
- Demonstration Phase completed in 2003 with launch of 3 Geostationary satellites
- Second Phase (BeiDou-2) provision of satellite navigation services for Asia-Pacific region
  - □ As of April 2011, eight BeiDou-2 satellites launched (latest 4/10/11)
  - More than ten satellites planned by 2012
  - System complete by 2020

http://www.beidou.gov.cn/

## **Regional Satellite Navigation Systems**

- Indian Regional Navigational Satellite System (IRNSS)
  - Autonomous regional satellite navigation system consisting of 7 satellites and ground segment
  - Developed by Indian Space Research Organization
- Quasi-Zenith Satellite System (QZSS) Japan
  - Will provide an augmentation service which, when used in conjunction with GPS, GLONASS or Galileo, will provide enhanced navigation in the Far East
  - Consists of three satellites in highly elliptical orbits satellites dwell at high elevations in the sky allowing enhanced coverage in urban canyons.

# Satellite-Based Augmentation Systems (SBAS)

- Wide Area Augmentation System (WAAS)
  - Commissioned in 2003 and operated by the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), to enable aircraft navigation in the U.S. National Airspace System (NAS)
- European Geostationary Navigation Overlay System (EGNOS)
  - Three geostationary satellites and a network of ground stations
  - Augments the US GPS satellite navigation system in Europe
- Japan's Multifunction-Transport-Satellite Satellite Augmentation System (MSAS)
  - MSAS for aviation use was commissioned in 2007
- India's GPS and Geo-Augmented Navigation System (GAGAN) (operational in 2011)
- Russian System of Differential Corrections and Monitoring (SDCM) (operational in 2011)

# **Other GPS Augmentations**

- Nationwide Differential GPS System (NDGPS):
  - Ground-based augmentation system of ~80 sites operated by the U.S. Coast Guard, Federal Railroad Administration, and Federal Highway Administration, to provide increased accuracy and integrity to U.S. users on land and water.

#### Local Area Augmentation System (LAAS):

- Augmentation to GPS that focuses its service on the airport area (approximately a 20-30 mile radius)
- Broadcasts correction message via a very high frequency (VHF) radio data link from a ground-based transmitter
- LAAS is a US activity led by the FAA, but other nations are developing their own ground based augmentation system projects
- NASA Global Differential GPS (GDGPS) System:
  - GDGPS is a commercial high accuracy (~ 10cm) GPS augmentation system, developed by the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) to support real-time positioning, timing, and orbit determination requirements.

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# Backup Information and References

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#### **Acronyms and Definitions**

- AEP GPS Architecture Evolution Program
- ARNS Aeronautical Radio Navigation Service spectrum band
- CDMA Code Division Multiple Access
- C/A GPS Course Acquisition Code
- C/N0 Carrier to Noise Spectral Density
- COMPASS Chinese Satellite Navigation System
- CORS Continuously Operating Reference Stations
- DoD Department of Defense
- EC European Commission
- ESA European Space Agency
- FDMA Frequency Division Multiple Access
- Galileo European Satellite Navigation System
- GDGPS NASA Global Differential GPS System
- GDOP Geometric Dilution of Precision
- GNSS Global Navigation Satellite Systems
- GPS US Global Positioning System
- GLONASS Russian GLObal NAvigation Satellite System
- GST Galileo System Time
- GTRF Galileo Terrestrial Reference Frame
- IERS International Earth Rotation Service
- IGS International GNSS Service
- ITRS International Terrestrial Reference System
- LAAS Local Area Augmentation System

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- L1C New GPS code planned for L1 signal
- L2 GPS signals at 1.22760 GHz
- L2C New GPS code on L2 signal
- L5 New GPS signals at 1.17645 GHz
- MEO Medium Earth Orbit
- NASA National Aeronautics and Space Administration
- NDGPS Nationwide Differential GPS System
- NIMA National Imagery and Mapping Agency, currently known as National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA)
- NIST National Institutes of Standards and Technology
- OCS GPS Operational Control Segment
- OCX Next Generation GPS Operational Control Segment
- PRN Pseudo-Random Noise
- PNT Position, Navigation, and Timing
- P(Y) GPS precision code
- QZSS Japanese Quazi-Zenith Satellite System
- RMS Root Mean Square
- RNSS Radio Navigation Satellite Service spectrum band
- SBAS Space Based Augmentation System
- TAI International Atomic Time
- USAF United States Air Force
- USNO United States Naval Observatory
- URE User Range Error
- UTC Universal Coordinated Time
- WAAS Wide Area Augmentation System

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#### U.S. Space-Based PNT Organizational Structure





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2004 U.S. Space-Based Positioning, Navigation, and Timing Policy

- Recognizes the changing international scene
  - Other nations implementing space-based systems that provide PNT services
- National Space-Based PNT Executive Committee
  - Chaired by Deputy Secretaries of Defense and Transportation
  - Membership includes: State, Commerce, Homeland Security, JCS and NASA
- Established National Coordination Office (NCO) with staff from each member agency

#### **GNSS Compatibility and Interoperability Objectives**

- Ensure compatibility ability of U.S. and non-U.S. space-based PNT services to be used separately or together without interfering with each individual service or signal
- Achieve interoperability ability of civil U.S. and non-U.S. space-based PNT services to be used together to provide the user better capabilities than would be achieved by relying solely on one service or signal

# GLONASS

## **GLONASS** Constellation

- 24 satellites in 3 orbital planes
  - ascending nodes 120 degrees apart
  - 8 satellites equally spaced in each plane
  - argument of latitude displacement of 45 degrees
  - planes have 15 degrees argument of latitude displacement
- Circular 19,100 km orbit
  - inclination angle of 64.8 degrees
- Complete one orbit in 11 h 15 min 44 s, minimum of 5 satellites are in view to users continuously, worldwide
- Cesium clocks on board satellites

# **GLONASS Signal Characteristics**

- Each satellite transmits signal on unique frequency (FDMA)
  - Some satellites may use the same frequencies, but those satellites are placed in antipodal slots of orbit planes and they do not appear at the same time in a user's view
- Two frequency bands
  - □ L1 = 1602 + n\*0.5625 MHz
  - □ L2 = 1246 + n\*0.4375 MHz
  - □ Where n is frequency channel number (n=0,1,2,...)
- Standard Precision (SP) Signal
  - PRN code clock rate 0.511 MHz
  - repeats each millisecond
  - civilian use
- High Precision (HP) Signal
  - PRN code clock rate 5.11 MHz
  - repeats each second
  - modulated by special code, includes anti-spoofing capability
  - military use
# **GLONASS Control System**

Several Command Tracking Stations (CTS) throughout Russia

- St. Petersburg, Ternopol, Yeniseisk, Komsomolsk, Balkhash
- track satellites in view and accumulate ranging data and telemetry from the satellite signals
- transmit updated information to satellites, as well as other control information
- ranging data is periodically calibrated using laser ranging devices at Quantum Optical Tracking Stations within GCS. Each satellite specially carries laser reflectors for this purpose.
- System Control Center (SCC) in Krasnoznamensk (Moscow region)
  - process CTS site information to determine satellite clock and orbit states and update the navigation message for each satellite.

# **GLONASS Control System (cont)**

#### GLONASS system time-scale

- based on high-precision hydrogen clocks
- relay signals to the phase control system (PCS) which monitors satellite clock time/phase as transmitted by the navigation signals and determines satellite corrections for upload
- synchronized with UTC(SU)
- also synchronized with UTC(CIS), which is maintained by the All Union Institute for Physical, Technical, and Radio-Technical Measurements (VNIIFTRI) in Mendeleevo, near Moscow

uses leap seconds

 Ephemeris data in the Earth Parameter System 1990 (PZ-90), not GPS WGS-84



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ground track repeat about 10 days

# The GALILEO Satellite Services

Position, Velocity and Time Services:

- Open Service providing positioning, navigation and timing services, free of charge, for mass market navigation applications (future GPS SPS)
- Commercial Service provides added value over the Open Service providing commercial revenue, such as dissemination of encrypted navigation related data (1 KBPS), ranging and timing for professional use - with service guarantees
- Safety of Life Service Comparable with "Approach with Vertical Guidance" (APV-II) as defined in the ICAO Standards and Recommended practices (SARPs), and includes Integrity
- Public Regulated Service for applications devoted to European/ National security, regulated or critical applications and activities of strategic importance - Robust signal, under Member States control

Support to Search and Rescue

Search and Rescue Service coordinated with COSPAS SARSAT

### Galileo Navigation Signals and Frequencies



Each Galileo Satellite will broadcast 10 navigation signals, making up the open (OS), safety-of-life (SOL), commercial (CS) and public regulated services (PRS)

### Galileo Navigation Signals and Frequencies

- Galileo open services realized by using the signals at L1, E5a and E5b.
- Various configurations of dual and single frequency navigation use are possible.
- L1 and E5a Galileo signals interoperability with GPS



http://www.esa.int/esaNA/SEM86CSMD6E\_galileo\_1.html

# Galileo System Design

- Galileo Terrestrial Reference Frame (GTRF):
  - An independent realization of the International Terrestrial Reference System (ITRS) established by the Central Bureau of the International Earth Rotation Service (IERS).
  - □ Differences between WGS84 and GTRF ~ a few cm.
- Galileo System Time (GST):
  - Shall be a continuous coordinate time scale steered towards the International Atomic Time (TAI) with an offset of less then 33 ns.
  - Offset between GST and the GPS system time is monitored and broadcast to users, but may also be estimated in the receiver.
- Each Spacecraft will have 4 onboard clocks
  - a 2 Rubidium Vapour
  - a 2 Passive Hydrogen Maser

### Agreement on GPS-Galileo Cooperation

- In 2004 the United States and the European Union established a partnership to ensure that GPS and Galileo will be interoperable at the user level for the benefit of civil users around the world.
  - Radio frequency compatibility and interoperability;
  - Trade and civil applications;
  - Design and development of the next generation of systems; and
  - Security issues related to GPS and Galileo.
- The agreement:
  - Ensures that Galileo's signals will not harm the navigation warfare capabilities of the United States and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization military forces
  - Calls for non-discrimination and open markets in terms of trade in civil satellite navigation-related goods and services
  - Includes an agreement to establish a common civil signal at the L1 frequency
- Additional availability, precision, and robustness provided by complementary systems

# **GALILEO References**

Further information can be found here:
 http://www.esa.int/esaNA/index.html



# Quasi-Zenith Satellite System (QZSS)

## Japanese Quasi-Zenith Satellite System (QZSS)

- QZSS is a GPS augmentation system serving Japan and the Asia-Pacific region.
- Consists of three (3) satellites in highly-inclined, geostationary orbits so that one satellite always appears near the zenith above the region of Japan.



http://www.jaxa.jp/pr/brochure/pdf/04/sat12.pdf

# QZSS - Continued

### GPS Availability Enhancement

- Improves availability of satellite positioning for areas such as urban canyon and mountain terrain
- The usage of the QZS at high elevation angles in combination with GPS,
- GPS Performance Enhancement
  - Achieves high accuracy by transmitting position correction data
  - Achieves high reliability by sending integrity data
- Based on 2006 agreement between the U.S. and Japan, the navigation signals and messages of the QZSS offer complete interoperability with those of GPS
- First QZSS satellite (QZS-1) launched in Sept, 2010
  - Utilization demonstration during 2011

http://qzss.jaxa.jp/is-qzss/index\_e.html

# QZSS Planned Signals

	Frequency	Notes
L1-C/A	1575.42MHz	<ul> <li>Complete compatibility and interoperability with existing and future modernized GPS signals</li> <li>Differential Correction data. Integrity</li> </ul>
L1C		
L2C	1227.6MHz	
L5	1176.45MHz	flag, lonospheric correction
		Almanac & Health for other GNSS SVs
L1-SAIF*	1575.42MHz	<ul> <li>Compatibility with GPS-SBAS</li> </ul>
LEX		<ul> <li>Experimental Signal with higher data</li> </ul>
	1278.75MHz	rate message (2Kbps)
		<ul> <li>Compatibility &amp; interoperability with Galileo E6 signal</li> </ul>

\* L1-SAIF: L1-Submeter-class Augmentation with Integrity Function

http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/pdf/cgsicMeetings/50/%5B2%5DJAPAN\_REPORT\_50TH\_CGSIC10\_9.pdf 87

# Indian Regional Navigational Satellite System (IRNSS)

- Autonomous regional satellite navigation system being developed by Indian Space Research Organization.
- The proposed system would consist of a constellation of seven satellites and a support ground segment.
  - Three satellites in Geostationary orbits
  - Remaining satellites in highly elliptical orbits
- First launch targeted for 2011
- Completed and operational by 2014

# Indian GPS Aided Geo Augmented Navigation (GAGAN)

- GAGAN is a Satellite Based Augmentation System (SBAS) over the Indian Air-space primarily meant for civil aviation
- Jointly implemented by the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) and the Airports Authority of India (AAI)
- Two signals: L1 and L5
- Technology Demonstration Phase completed in 2007
- Operational phase of GAGAN expected to be completed by 2011

# EGNOS

The European Geostationary Navigation Overlay Service (EGNOS) augments the US GPS satellite navigation system and makes it suitable for safety critical applications such as flying aircraft or navigating ships through narrow channels.



http://www.esa.int/esaNA/GGG63950NDC\_egnos\_0.html

## **EGNOS** Continued

- Consists of three geostationary satellites and a network of ground stations
- EGNOS is a joint project of ESA, the European Commission and Eurocontrol, the European Organisation for the Safety of Air Navigation.
- The EGNOS Open Service has been available since 1 October 2009.
- EGNOS positioning data are freely available in Europe through satellite signals to anyone equipped with an EGNOS-enabled GPS receiver.

# MTSAT Space-based Augmentation System (MSAS)

- Japanese SBAS (Satellite Based Augmentation System)
- Supports differential GPS (DGPS) designed to supplement the GPS system by reporting (then improving) on the reliability and accuracy of those signals
- MSAS for aviation use was commissioned on September 27, 2007

# System of Differential Corrections and Monitoring (SDCM)

- SBAS counterpart to the WAAS and the EGNOS covering the Russian Federation.
- The SDCM would perform integrity monitoring of both GPS and GLONASS satellites as well as provide differential corrections and a posteriori analyses of GLONASS system performance.
- Network of ground reference stations and geostationary satellites
- Will launch three geostationary satellites in the 2010-2013 timeframe, the first scheduled to be operational in 2011