

# **INTRODUCTION TO DGPS**

## WHAT IS DGPS AND WHY USE IT?

- **Differential Global Positioning System (DGPS)** is an enhancement to Global Positioning System that provides improved location accuracy, from the 15-meter nominal GPS accuracy to about 10 cm in case of the best implementations.
- DGPS refers to using a combination of receivers and satellites to reduce/eliminate common receiver based and satellite based errors reduce orbit errors reduce ionospheric and tropospheric errors reduce effects of SA eliminate satellite and receiver clock errors
- improve accuracy significantly 100's of metres to metres to centimetres to millimetres
- 1. DGPS uses one or several (network) fixed ground based reference stations (in known locations).
- 2. The base station compares its own known location, to that computed from a GPS receiver.
- 3. Any difference is then broadcast as a correction to the user. Correction signals can be broadcast either from ground stations, or via additional satellites. These services are privately owned and usually require a user subscription.

## Examples:

- Satellite Based Augmentation System (SBAS),
- Wide Area Augmentation System (WAAS),
- Local Area Augmentation System (LAAS),
- European Geostationary Navigation Overlay Service (EGNOS),
- Omni STAR
- Coast guard beacon service.

## Why do we Need Differential GPS?

By using DGPS we can improve our positional accuracy from around 1.5m with standard GPS to around 40cm with DGPS, without the need for post processing.

In the case of the road survey van (top right), users can measure the amount of road wear and judge whether the road should be resurfaced just by driving over it. Just one day's driving can replace a month's manual work using

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There are many other applications like this. The labour saving is immense but at the same time, previously impossible tasks are made possible such as the prediction of earthquakes before they occur.

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DGPS Summary

• Term refers to simple C/A code differential

• Available on GPS receivers from low cost to high cost

• Produces accuracies from sub-metre to metres

• Many real-time DGPS correction providers - Coast guard, EGNOS, OmniSTAR

• Used for many different applications.

• Mat is RTK?

Real Time Kinematic is an advanced form of DGPS which uses the satellites carrier wave to compare 2 observations from different receivers within the system, to fine tune the satellite and receiver clock errors, thus improving positional accuracy.

Real Time Kinematic (RTK)

The GPS signal is made up of 3 distinct components:

• Carrier wave

• GPS Code

• Navigation message

Typical GPS receivers will use the GPS navigation message to calculate its position, RTK uses the carrier wave of the GPS signal, which is 19.02cm long, By counting the number of cycles (and phase of the carrier), the travel time and distance can be measured more accurately.

RTK Summary

• Similar technique as DGPS that uses the carrier phase to provide more accurate positioning

• Cost is higher compared to DGPS receivers

• Produces accuracies from 20 cm to sub-centimetres

• RTK corrections provided via a local base station or by a private correction provider - OmnISTAR, Leica, Trimble

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\* The pseudorange (code) measurement, equivalent to the difference of the time of reception (expressed in the time frame of the receiver) and the time of transmission (expressed in the time frame of the satelline) of a distinct satellite signal.

\* The observation time being the reading of the receiver dock at the instant of validity of the carrier-phase and/or the code measurements. Usually the software assumes that the observation time is valid for both the phase and the code measurements, and for all satellites observed. Consequently all these programs do not need most of the information that is usually stored by the receivers: They need phase, code, and time in the above mentioned definitions, and some stationrelated information like station name, antenna height, etc. Up till now two major format versions have been developed and published:

\* The original RIMEX Version 1 presented at and accepted by the 5<sub>lo</sub>. Intentational Geodetic Symposium on Satellite Positioning in late Cruces, 1989. (Gurtner et al. 1989). (Evens 1989)

\*\*RINEX Version 2. Dresented at and accepted by the Second International Symposium of Precise Positioning with the clobal Positioning system in Otzawa, 1990, mainly adding the consolidation of the control o

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- 1. Observation data File
- 2. Navigation message File
- 3. Meteorological data File

Each file type consists of a header section and a data section. The header section contains global information for the entire file and is placed at the beginning of the file. The header section contains header labels in columns 61-80 for each line contained in the header section. These labels are mandatory and must appear exactly as given in these descriptions and examples. The format has been optimized for minimum space requirements independent from the number of different observation

types of a specific receiver or satellite system by indicating in the header the types of observations to be stored for this receiver and the satellite systems having been observed. In computer systems allowing variable record lengths the observation records may be kept as short as possible. Trailing blanks can be removed from the records. There is no maximum record length limitation for the observation records.

Each Observation file and each Meteorological Data file basically contain the data from one site and one session. Starting with Version 2 RINEX also allows including observation data from more than one site subsequently occupied by a roving receiver in rapid static or kinematic applications. Although Version 2 and higher allow to insert header records into the data section it is not recommended to concatenate data of more than one receiver (or antenna) into the same file, even if the data do not overlap in time. If data from more than one receiver have to be exchanged, it would not be economical to include the identical satellite navigation messages collected by the different receivers several times. Therefore the navigation message file from one receiver may be exchanged or a composite navigation message file created containing non-redundant information from several receivers in order to make the most complete file. The format of the data records of the RINEX Version 1 navigation message file was identical to the former NGS exchange format. RINEX version 3 navigation message files may contain navigation messages of more than one satellite system (GPS, GLONASS, Galileo, Quasi Zenith Satellite System (QZSS), BeiDou System (BDS) and SBAS).

The actual format descriptions as well as examples are given in the Appendix Tables at the end of the document.

## **BASIC DEFINITIONS**

## Time:

The time of the measurement is the receiver time of the received signals. It is identical for the phase and range measurements and is identical for all satellites observed at that epoch. For single-system data files it is by default expressed in the time system of the respective satellite system. Otherwise the actual time can (for mixed files must) be indicated in the Start Time header record.

Pseudo-Range:

The pseudo-range (PR) is the distance from the receiver antenna to the satellite antenna including receiver and satellite clock offsets (and other biases, such as atmospheric delays): PR = distance + c \* (receiver clock offset -satellite clock offset + other biases) so that the pseudo-range reflects the actual behaviour of the receiver and satellite clocks. The pseudo-range is stored in units of meters.

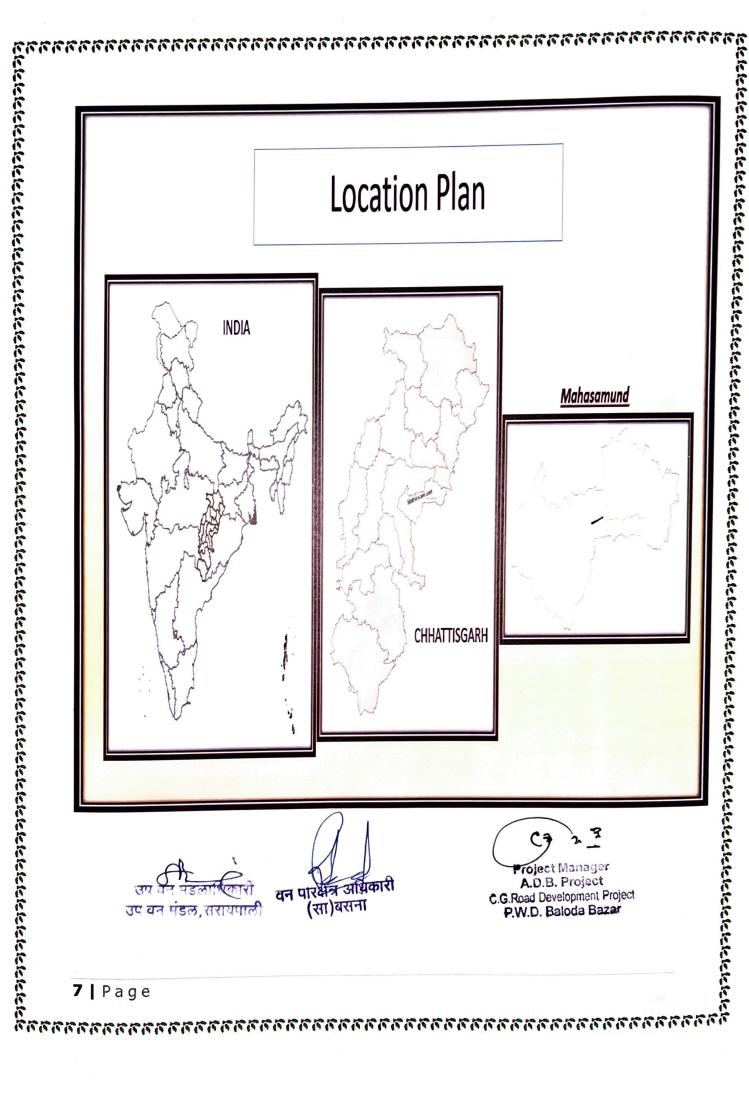
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| L3  | N21°13'09.13"               | E82°45'48.03"        | R3       | N21°13'08.70"              | E82°45'48.04 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| L15   | N21°13'09.77"               | E82°46'48.29"        | R15      | N21°13'09.33"              | E82°46'48.38 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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