Extension of RTKLIB for the calculation and validation of protection levels

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Content

• Why?

Plans to introduce GPS based flight procedures in Hungary



- Compare RTKLIB to proprietary
 programs
- Application: flight validation at Debrecen airport



Rationale

























Accuracy









EGNOS monitor station at BME www.agt.bme.hu/egnos





Integrity protection cylinder

Vertical and Horizontal Alert Limit cylinder are defined by the phase of flight



Source: http://www.gps.gov/technical/ps/2008-WAAS-performance-standard.pdf





Protection level (PL) calculation

$$\sigma_{i}^{2} = \sigma_{i,flt}^{2} + \sigma_{i,iono}^{2} + \sigma_{i,air}^{2} + \sigma_{i,tropo}^{2} \quad \text{variance of } i^{\text{th}} \text{ satellite has 4 components}$$

$$\mathbf{W}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{1}^{2} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_{2}^{2} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \sigma_{n}^{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{G}_{i}^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(El_{i}) \cdot \cos(Az_{i}) \\ \cos(El_{i}) \cdot \sin(Az_{i}) \\ \sin(El_{i}) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} d_{east}^{2} & d_{EN} & d_{EU} & d_{ET} \\ d_{EN} & d_{north}^{2} & d_{NU} & d_{NT} \\ d_{EU} & d_{NU} & d_{U}^{2} & d_{UT} \\ d_{ET} & d_{NT} & d_{UT} & d_{U}^{2} \end{bmatrix} = (\mathbf{G}^{T} \mathbf{W} \mathbf{G})^{-1}$$
nverse of the weight matrix Geometry matrix Variance/covariance matrix

$$d_{major} = \sqrt{\frac{d_{east}^{2} + d_{north}^{2}}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{d_{east}^{2} - d_{north}^{2}}{2} + d_{EN}^{2}}}$$

 $K_H = 6.00$ Factor bounding users horizontal / vertical position $K_V = 5.33$ with a probability of 10^{-9} / 0.5×10^{-7} $HPL = K_H \cdot d_{major}$ Horizontal and vertical protection level



Source: RTCA MOPS DO-229-C "Minimum Operational Performance Standards for Global Positioning System/Wide Area Augmentation System airborne equipment"

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- Fast and long term correction
- Ionospheric delay
- Tropospheric delay
- Airborne error





Software to calculate PL

• Eurocontrol: Pegasus

• GMV: magicGemini





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Open source solution: RTKLIB



- RTKLIB
 - SBAS positioning mode
 - no PL calculation
- Houghton Assoc Inc. fork of RTKLIB
 - PL calculation available
- Our enhanced version
 - https://github.com/zsiki/RTKLIB/ tree/rtklib_2.4.3







PL calculated by different programs



What is Cat. I – II – III?



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PL calculated by different programs



Data processing scheme ntection level, rtklik **GPS+SBAS** raw data rnx2rtkp PEGASUS QGIS magicGemini GNUplot (RTKLIB) output pos and range trace output text files output files messages sql scripts gawk scripts CSV files in psql



1st reason: Some of the measurements are filtered out







2nd reason: Differences of variances

	magicGemini vs. RTKLIB	Pegasus vs. RTKLIB
differences of fast and long term correction variance [m]		
minimum	-2.14	+0.04
maximum	+2.42	+0.29
mean	+0.09	+0.13
std. dev.	±0.04	±0.04
differences of airborne variance [m]		
minimum	-0.18	0.00
maximum	0.00	0.00
mean	-0.15	0.00
std. dev.	±0.04	0.00
differences of ionospheric delay variance [m]		
minimum	-26.23	-26.23
maximum	+10.47	+0.22
mean	-0.02	-0.02
std. dev.	±0.41	±0.38



Airborne variance



Largest component: lonosphere



Ionosphere grid models



EGNOS ionosphere GIVEi map at 21/02/2017 13:59:59

EGNOS ionosphere map at 21/02/2017 13:59:59





IPP positions

all measurements during a 24 hour session at Budapest





IPP positions

Large ionosphere variance differences! (RTKLIB vs. mGemini)





Range and Integrity Monitor Stations (RIMS)





Flight validation at Debrecen airport



PL during flight validation



GPS Time

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To sum it up

- Open source SW compared to proprietary https://github.com/zsiki/RTKLIB/tree/rtklib_2.4.3
- Protection levels
- Reason behind the differences

what for?...





