



INTRODUCTION TO HIGH-END GNSS RECEIVERS

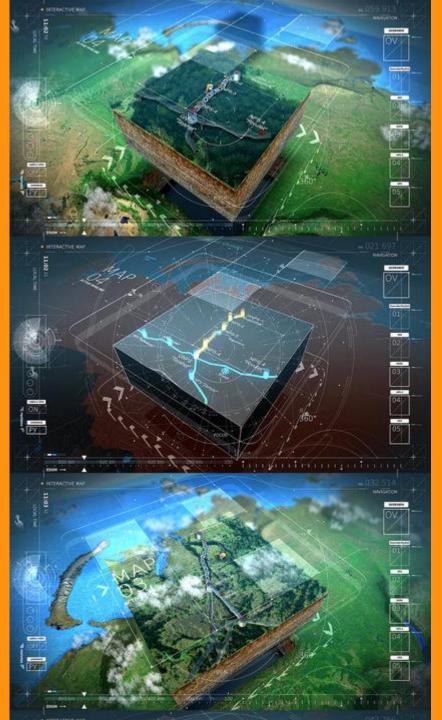
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A professional equipment

50mm 1:1

Still easy to use



Why a high-end receiver?

Accuracy matters

Dosch Design

Septentrio's RTK accuracy

Septentrio's Robust DGPS/SBAS/Standalone

0.5 m

1cm

6 m

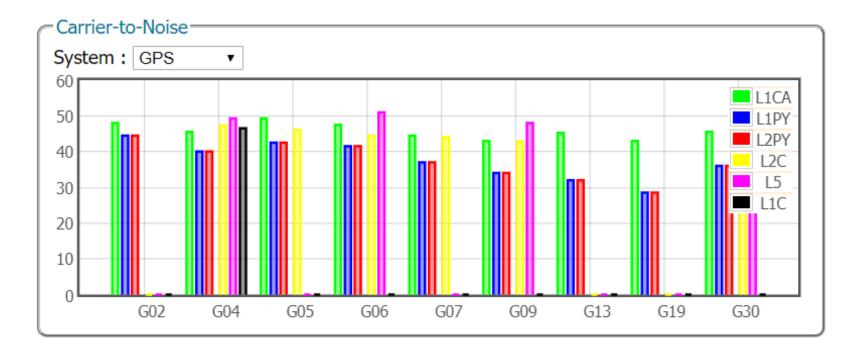
Mobile devices (phones/tablets)



The difference

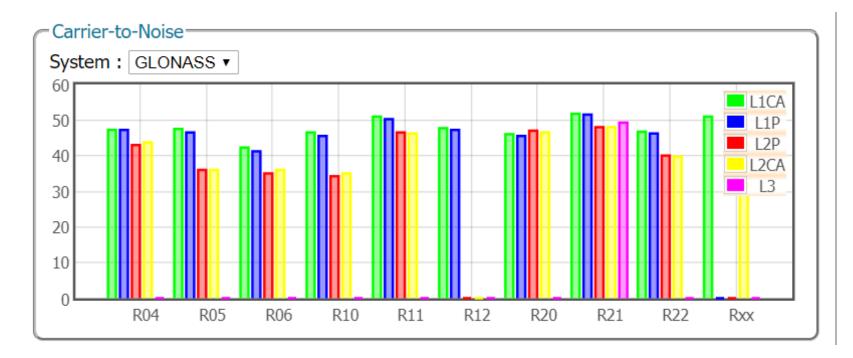
- Smartphone / Tablet
 - GPS (Glonass)
 L1
- Septentrio
 - GPS L1, L2, L5
 - Glonass L1, L2, L5
 - Galileo E1, E5a, E5b, AltBoc, E6
 - Beidou B1, B2, B3
 - IRNSS L5
 - QZSS L1, L2, L5



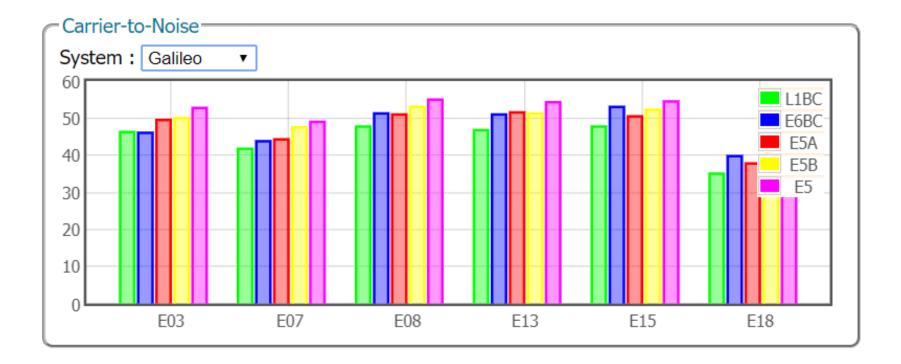


G04 4 45° ↓ 47° Tracking L1CA,P1(Y),P2(Y),L2C,L5,L1C [unhealthy signal(s): L1CA,P1(Y),P2(Y),L2C,L1C]

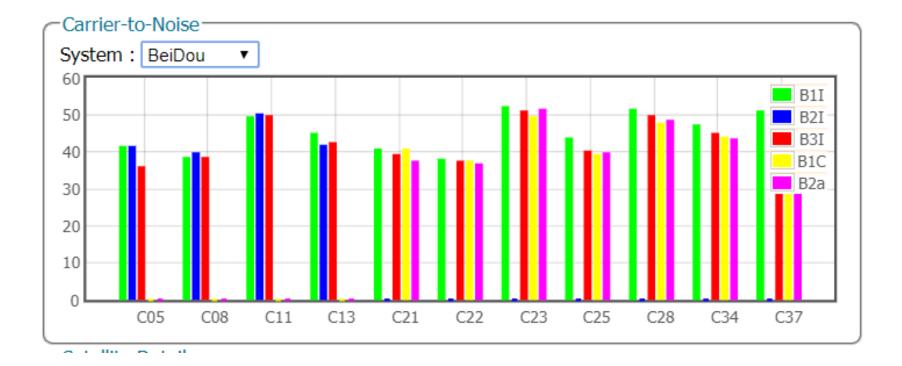




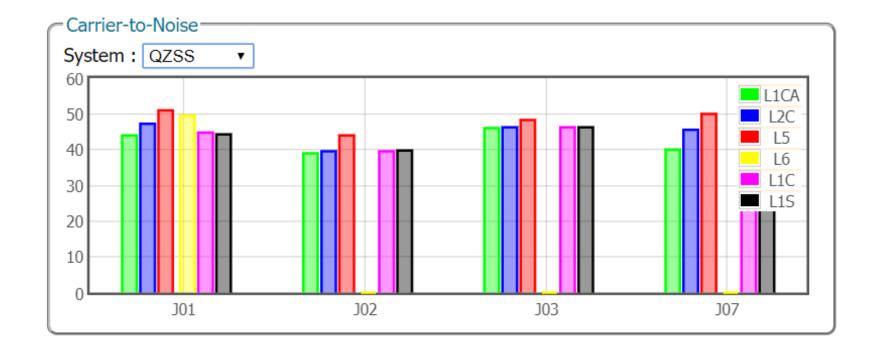




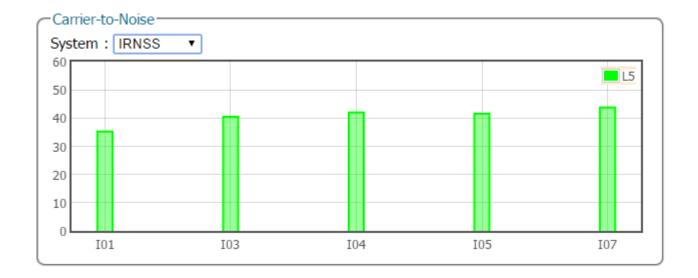




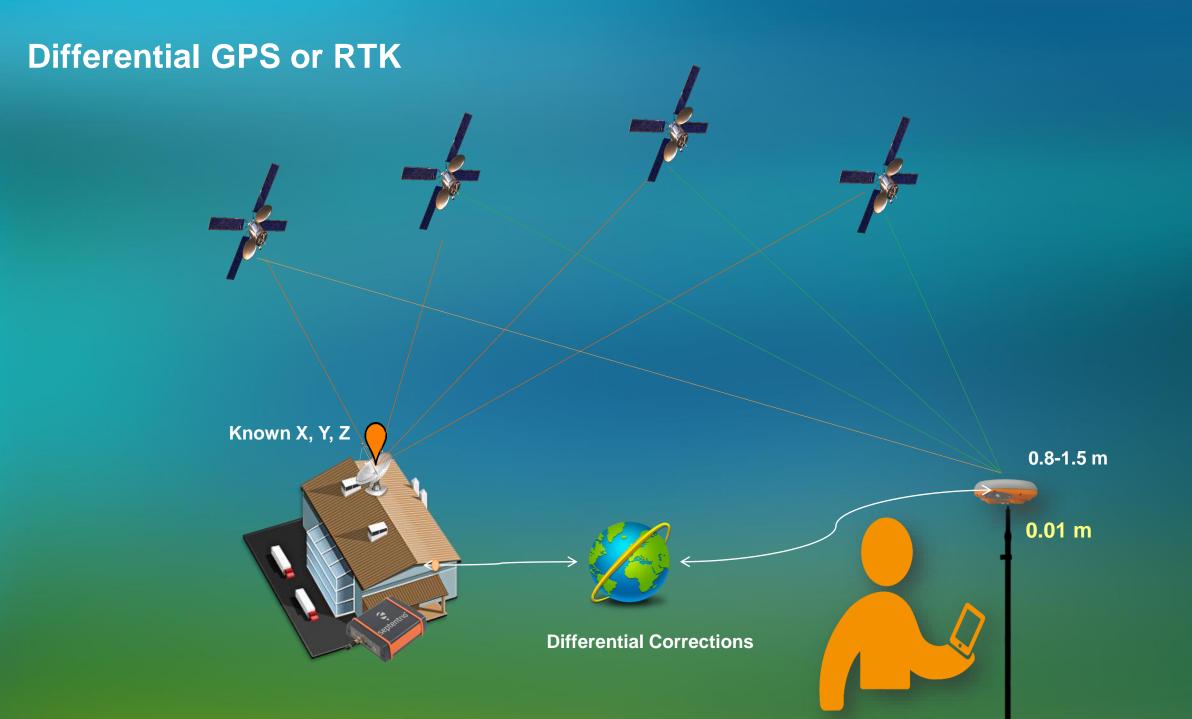












GNSS Augmentation Techniques

	HORIZONTAL	VERTICAL
Stand Alone , Multi Constellation, Multi Frequency	1,20 m	1,90 m
 SBAS (EGNOS, WAAS, GAGAN, MSAS,) 	0,60 m	0,80 m
• DGNSS	0,40 m	0,70 m
 PPP (Precise Point Positioning) 	0,04 m	0,06 m
RTK (or PPK)	0,006 m + 0,5 ppm	0,01 m + 1 ppm



GNSS Augmentation Techniques

- Stand Alone , Multi Constellation
- SBAS (EGNOS, WAAS, GAGAN, MSAS, ...)
- DGNSS
- PPP (Precise Point Positioning)

• RTK (or PPK)

No ground infrastructure No ground infrastructure, limited area Base stations (or CORS network) required Based on code information only World wide network of reference stations, low density Code and phase information required Corrections usually provided by satellite Long convergence time (10 to 20 minutes) Nearby base station or high density CORS network required Code and phase information required Short convergence time

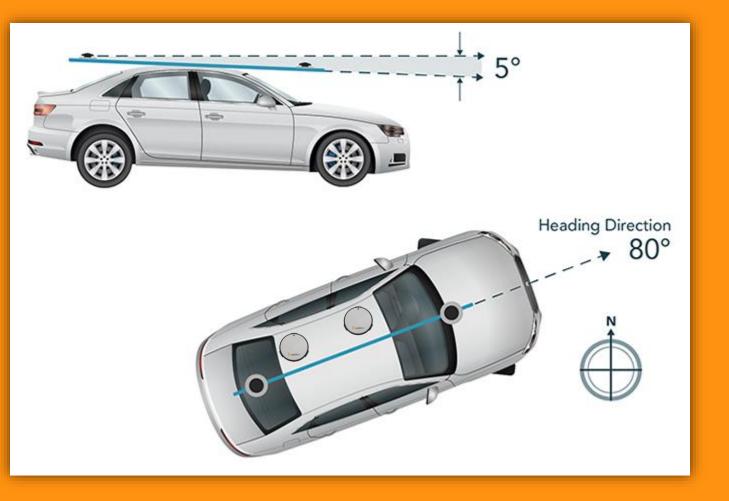




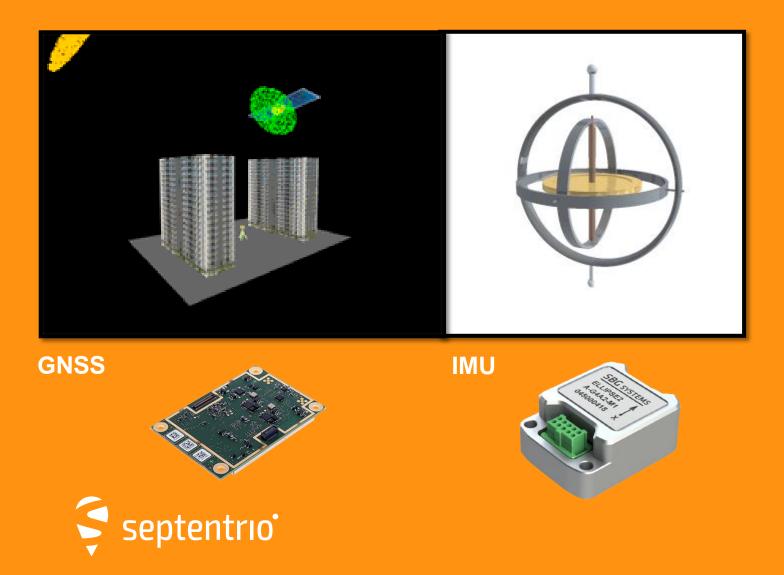




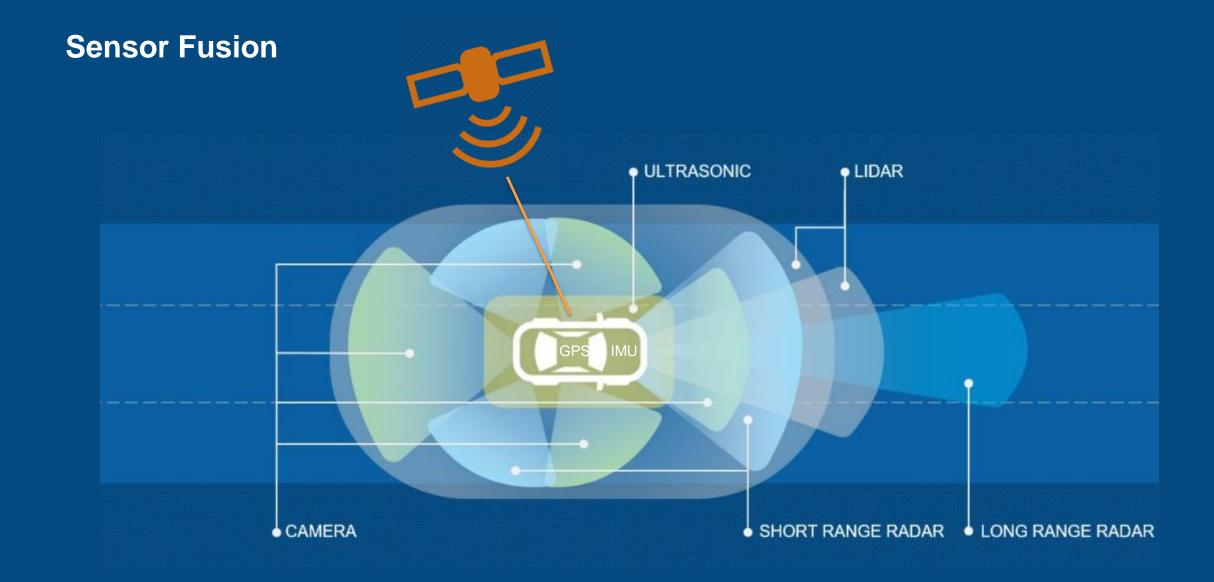
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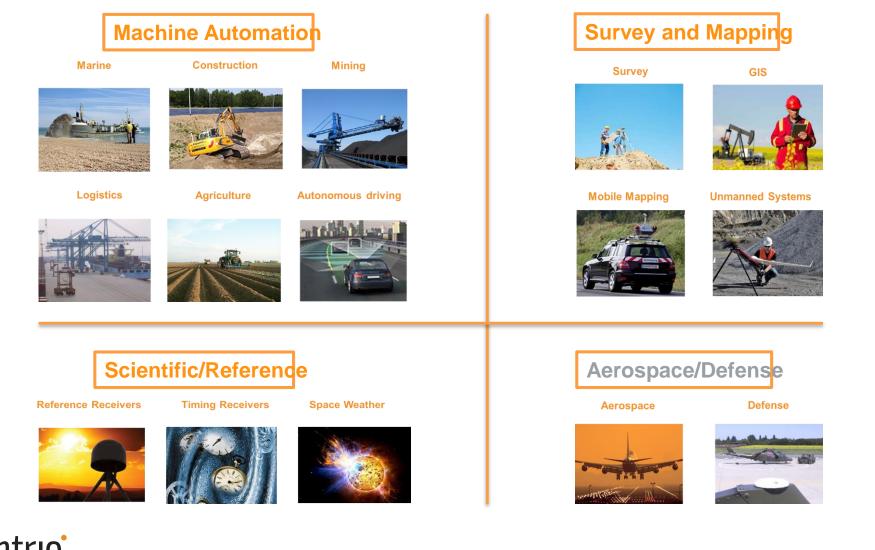
GNSS/INS?





GPS as an essential element of sensor fusion ABSOLUTE POSITIONING

Our markets



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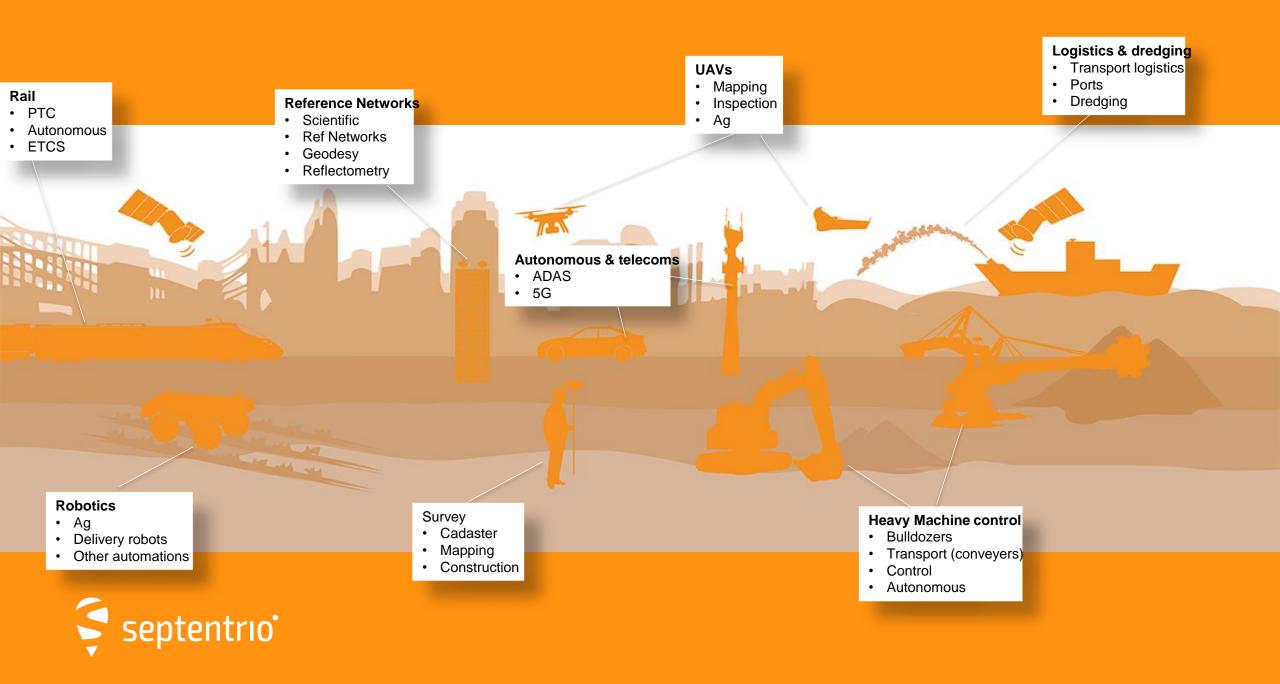




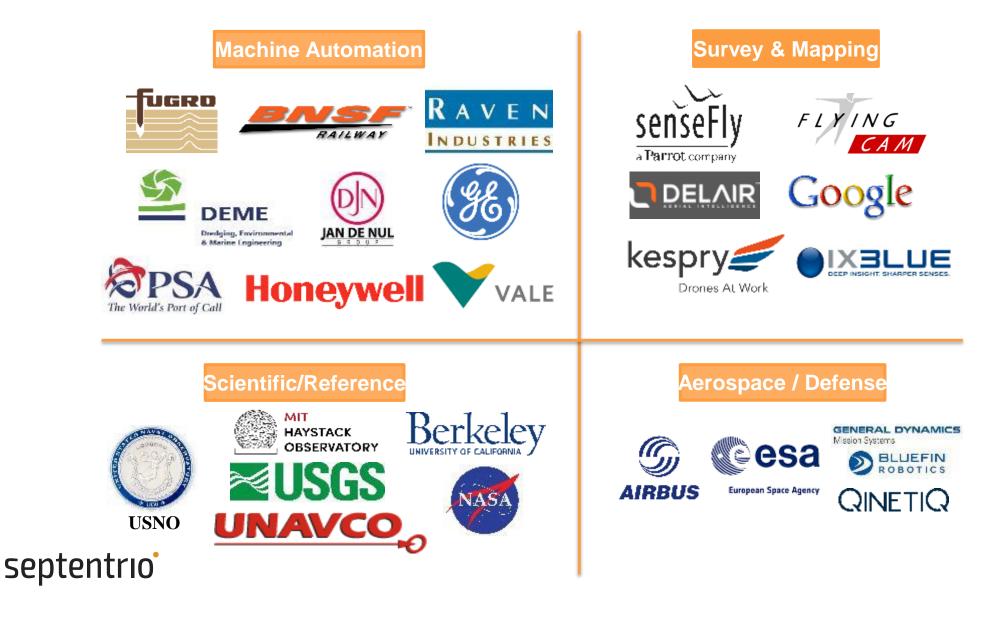








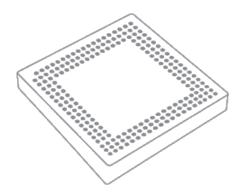
Core Market Segments / Key Customers



Our Products

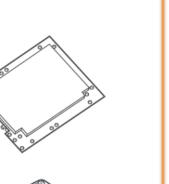


Compact receiver module





Rover Receivers and OEM boards for automation and machine control

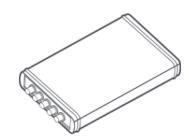


Altus

Smart antennas for GIS and survey

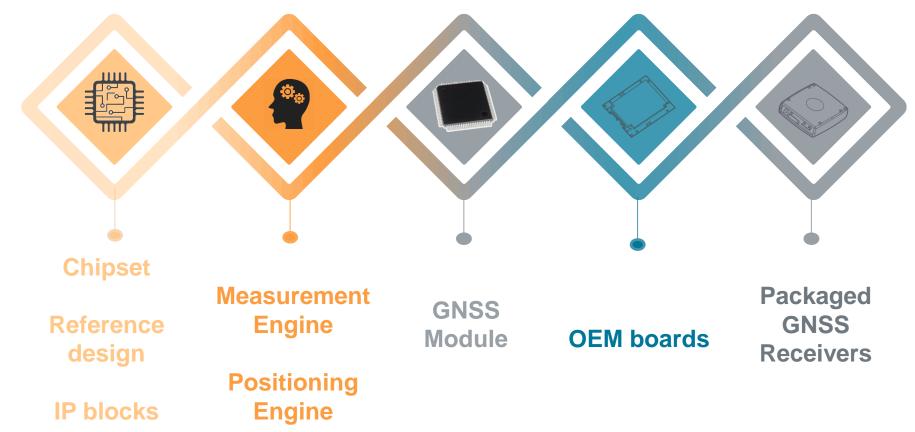
PolaRx

Reference receivers for science and networks





Robust high precision GNSS receivers in many forms





Our approach





Septentrio's differentiation



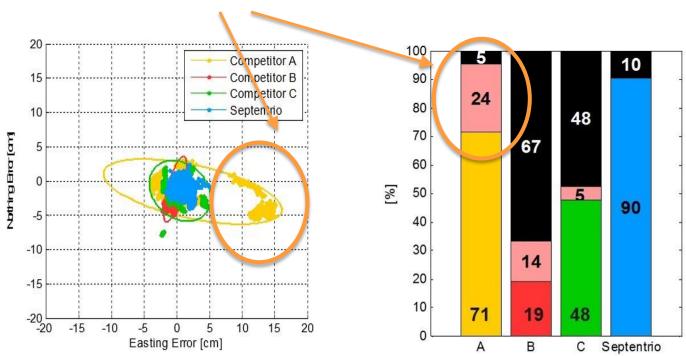


Septentrio in Confidence



It's not just about accuracy !

• Can the position be trusted ?





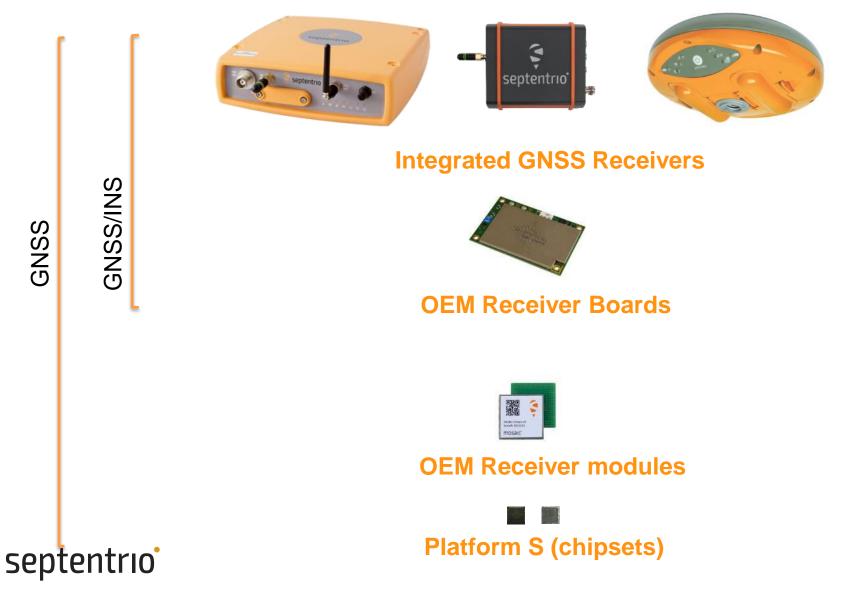


Septentrio in Confidence



Septentrio GNSS Products

Flexible choise for your integration



Products



Complete housed receivers and smart antennas for machine control and robotics





AsteRx-SB

- Compact and versatile package
- COM, Ethernet, USB
- Wifi, Bluetooth
- Low power (1.5W)
- IP68

AsteRx-U

- Rugged receiver
- Integrated celullar modem
- optional UHF
- 2-antenna input for heading
- Ethernet, USB and Serial

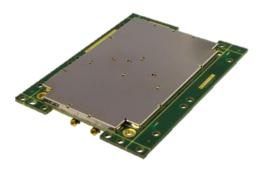


APS-NR3

- Integrated antenna and receiver
- Internal webserver
- Internal data logging
- Works all day with internal batteries
- Integrated communications (WiFi, Bluetooth, cellular modem)



AsteRx OEM boards for integration



- Dual antenna multi-frequency GNSS receiver
- All signals and constellations
 - GPS/GLO/GAL/BDS/QZSS
 - L1, L2, L5/E5, L6/E6
- Stand-alone, DGNSS, PPP, RTK, heading
- Scalable power consumption
 - 1-3W depending on configuration
- On-board webserver and multiple interfaces

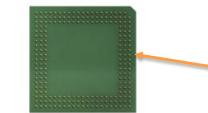


- Low power compact single-antenna multifrequency GNSS receiver
- GPS/GLO/GAL/BDS
- Stand-alone, DGNSS, PPP, RTK
- Compact & low power
 - 300mW in single frequency
 - 600 mW 20 Hz GPS/GLO RTK
- Single/Dual anntenna
- UAS carrier board



mosaic[™] Compact GNSS receiver module

GNSS receiver module



Integrated GNSS receiver

Same capabilities as AsteRx-m2

Cm accurate position (RTK/SSR) High update rates Advanced interference mitigation Tools included (Rx Tools ...) SMT (surface mount) solderable LGA (Land Grid Array) Simple integration (no ext. Components Compact form factoreded)

31x31X4mm 9g 600mW

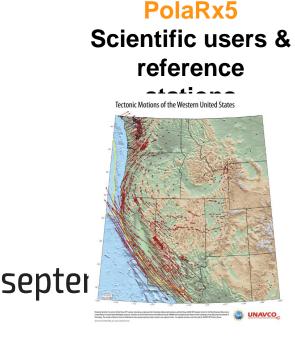
Interfaces

Wide array of interfaces, UART, USB, Ethernet

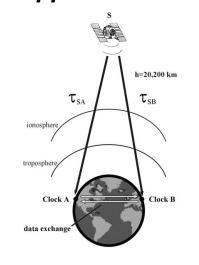


PolaRx5 Multi-frequency GNSS Scientific/CORS Receiver

- Tracks all visible signals (GPS, GLONASS, GALILEO, BEIDOU, IRNSS, QZSS, SBAS)
- High-precision, low-noise measurements
- Best in class interference monitoring and mitigation
- Low and scalable power consumption
- Powerful web interface and logging tools
- Logging up to 24 parallel data records both internally and to an external device



PolaRx5TR Precise timing applications



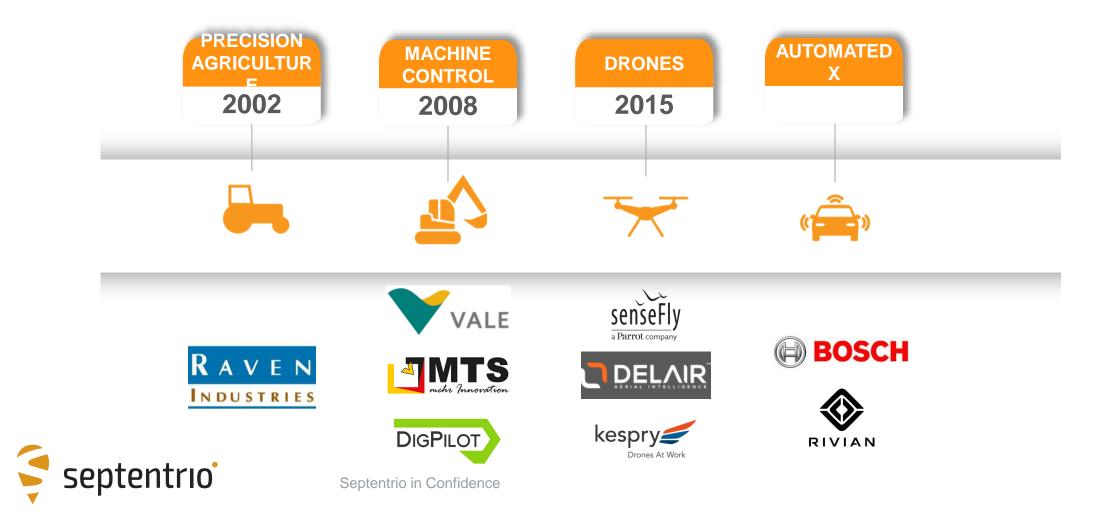
PolaRx5S Ionosphere monitoring



Applications



Autonomous is not a revolution !



A NEW KIND OF DRONE



Shift from Pilot to User focus

- From technological innovation to pragmatic business
- Social challenges: legislation and skepticism

Crossing the chasm



Commercial use of drones is now a reality

- Focus on data and services
- Professional products need reliable positioning
 - For Safety
 - For multiple Applications

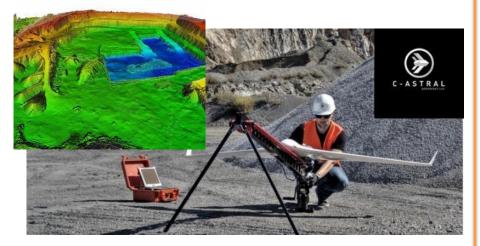
Fixed-wing or Rotary?



	Fixed-wing	Rotary / Multi-rotor	VIOL
Projects	Mapping	Small area mapping & inspection	Mapping (large area Inspection)
Applications	Land surveying, AG, GIS, Mining, environmental, construction, humanitarian	Inspection, real estate, surveying (urban), construction, emergency response, law enforcement	Land surveying, AG, GIS, Mining, environmental, construction, humanitarian
Cruising speed	High	Low	High
Coverage	Large	Small	Large
Ground resolution	cm per pixel	Mm per pixel	cm per pixel
Take-off/landing area	Large	Very small	Very small
Flight times & wind resistance	High	Low	



GEO-REFERENCING



- Offline cm geotagging of images or sensordata
- Accurate synchronization with camera
- Integration in image processing chain







- Hover for stable camera pointing
- Take off & landing (cm-level)
- Reliable position !!!
 - Anti-jam
 - Anti-spoof
 - Multi-constellation
 - Error reporting



Purposes and use cases of high-end GNSS







Dronebox Take off and landing accuracy (remote drones)



Wingtra



VTOL = vertical take-off and landing



UAS

VTOL? For mapping





Requirement for PPK



Industrial applications - Rail



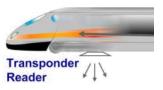
Working on PTL with GE and BNSF 10k receivers in Triggered by 2008 Safety act (US mandate)



→Full efficiency

→ Reliability (multiple sensors) "fail safe"

• PCT not new!











How PTC works?

HOW PTC WORKS

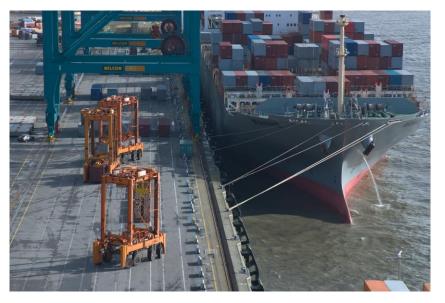




Industrial applications – Harbour and Marine



GNSS receivers for world leading dredging companies (Jan de Nul, DEME) and offshore energy construction : Oil and Gas, Wind, ... Equipping fleet of >300 straddle carriers in Antwerp Container Port for imrpoved safety and efficiency





Industrial applications – Agriculture



Tractor auto-steer and specialized control applications with unique dual –antenna set-up

Autonomous agriculture robots



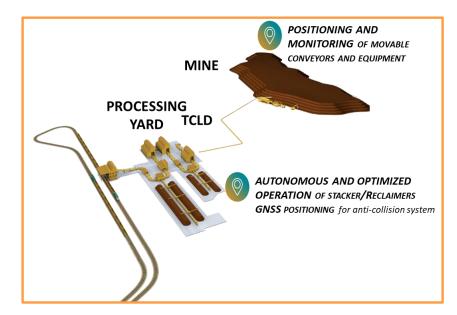


Industrial applications – Machine automation



Positioning for machine control on excavators and dozers operating in challenging environments

GNSS positioning for VALE S11D automated mine project in Carajas - Brazil







Vibrotrucks

With improved reliability and accurate position Vibrotrucks can detect failures in the ground.

In this case vibrotrucks drive in Munich Germany and detect accurately the places where underground thermal waters can be found as an ecological way for providing heating to the city.





Vertical drain installation

With improved position accuracy vertical drillers can make efficient jobs in even the more difficult environments.

The practical installation of AsteRx SB is ideal for applications requiring flexibility.





AIM-

Multi

Const

Reliable Accurate

Robust

Housing

Wireless

Flexible

installation

Sewer cleaning trucks

With improved reliability and accurate position sewer cleaning trucks can map exactly the areas of maintenance. Septentrio helps in bringing technology which is reliable and easy to install in vehicles.



Airport vehicle tracking

With improved position accuracy and reliability in the most difficult dynamic and difficult environments, airports can manage their vehicle infrastructure keeping safety as a main objective.





Agriculture Robots

With improved reliability and accurate position agriculture and other robots can autonoumsly work in even the more difficult situations.

The flexibility of the small box and its robustness makes it an ideal product for these applications.





Base station or Static monitoring

With basic features for base station, the Asterx SB can be deployed as a simple base station product in flexible installations requiring basic corrections.

The AsteRx SB can also be used by integrators of structural monitoring solutions.



REAT

Agriculture Robots

With improved reliability, embedded web interface and open interface Agriculture robots can use an smart antenna for the more demanding jobs.

AIM+ Low pwr







Marine survey & Barimetry

With improved performance and open interference mitigation marine survey integrations can easily and accurately be done.

Reliable

Const

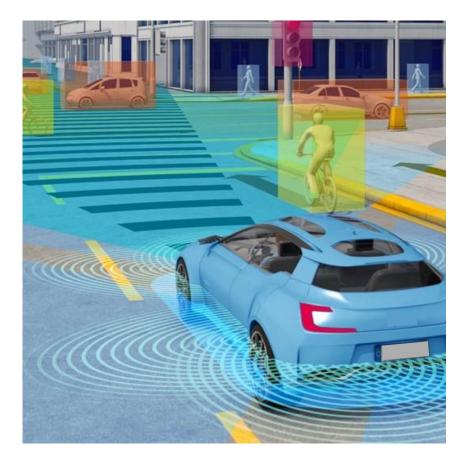
Accurate

interfac

Machine control

With improved reliability, accuracy, external connectivity and open interface – machine control applications can benefit of Septentrio's technology for best performance in demaning industrial applications

GNSS for autonomous



High availability measurement engine

High integrity cm-accurate positioning engine

Open architecture for multiple correction systems (RTK, PPP, SSR)

GNSS/INS integration











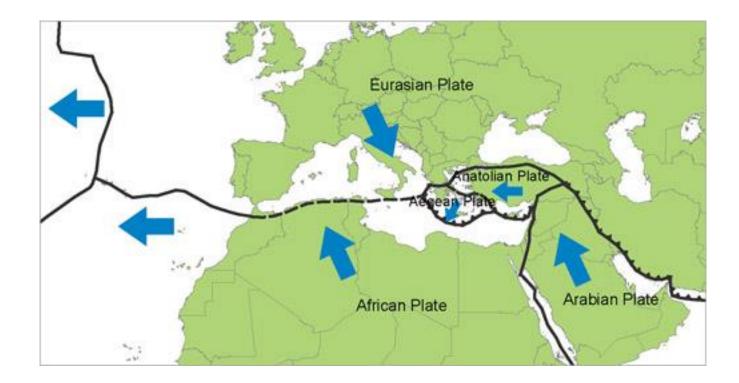
UNAVCO typical installations

PolaRx5



USA PACIFIC PLATE BOUNDARY OBSERVATORY

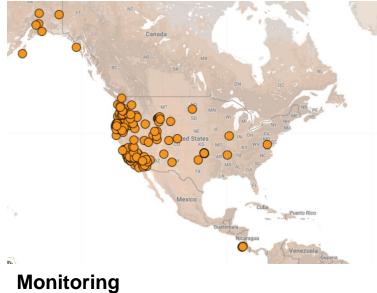
Tectonic plates motion...continental drift, earthquakes, volcano activity,





Reference networks

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UNAVCO PBO deployment

146 PolaRx5

Mainly in USA west coast

Also in Costa Rica, Greenland, Bangladesh

Geoscience Australia, Iceland, NRCAN, CHAIN, ...

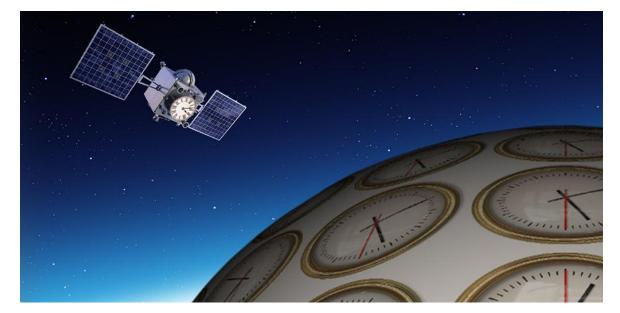
RTK and PPP networks

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Veripos WW PPP network RTK networks : Germany (BW, SAPOS), UK (OS),



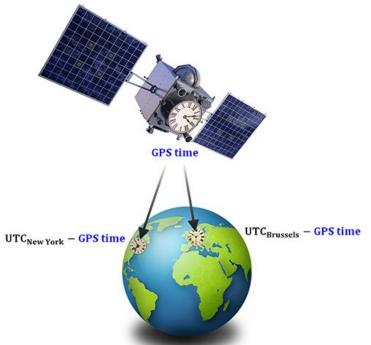
What about PolaRx5TR?



GNSS for time transfer

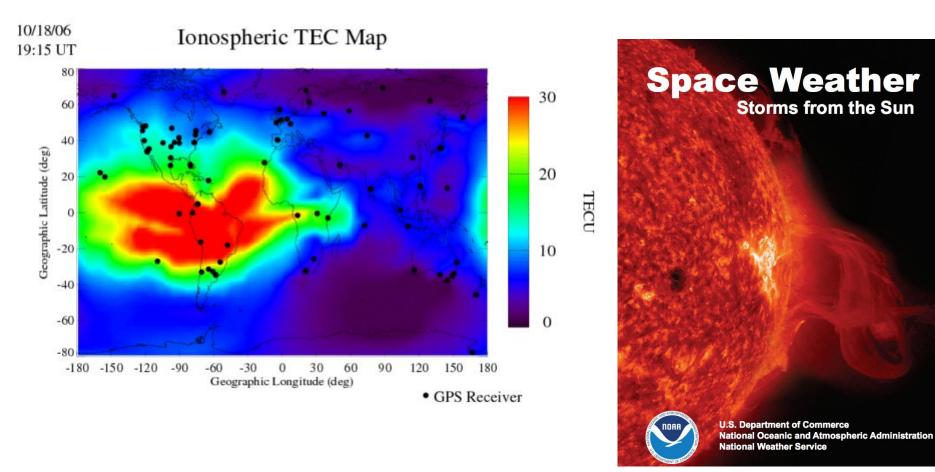
UTC Universal Time Coordinated determination

Precise (ns) synchronization of equipment





Tracking Electrons from Solar Storms





Map from NASA; Report Cover from NOAA



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PolaRx5 product line intro

- GPS / GNSS recap
- What is a reference station
 - Geodetic application
 - RTK networks
- PolaRx5 unique selling points
- PolaRx5S and PolaRx5TR specificities

Disclaimer: the content is simplified with approximations to make it digestible by the most



What is GNSS?

GPS= Stands for "Global Positioning System." GPS is a USA satellite navigation system used to determine the ground position of an object.

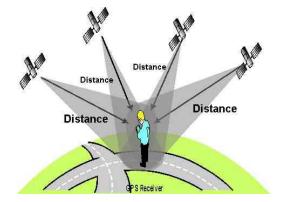
There are more satellites systems (usually named constellations) similar to the American GPS: Europe has Galileo, Russia has Glonass, China has Beidou, etc.

When we talk about positioning based on multiple constellations acronym GNSS (Global Navigation Satellite System).

GNSS delivers a position (a velocity and the time) of an object.

You need a receiver and an antenna.

These can be separated or integrated in a single box.





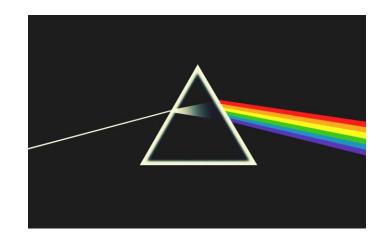
Smartphone vs high-end GNSS

	Smartphone/SatNav	Septentrio	Note
How many constellations?	Typically 1 (GPS) but in recent devices more than one is becoming available	Several	More constellations=more satellites=more availability
How many frequencies	typically 1	3 or more	A frequency is way to define "color" of an em wave.
Accuracy	Meter level	Down to cm	More accurate with corrections



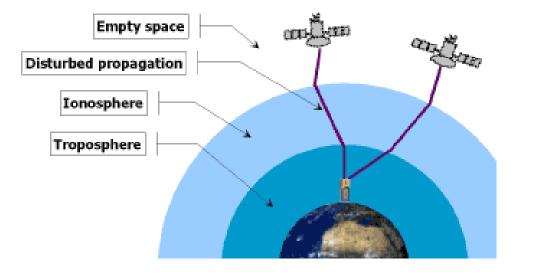
Main errors in GNSS positioning

Red Orange Yellow Green Blue Indigo Violet MMM M





Main errors in GNSS positioning



More frequency = more accurate

remove the errors due to travelling in the atmosphere



Lost in Brussels?

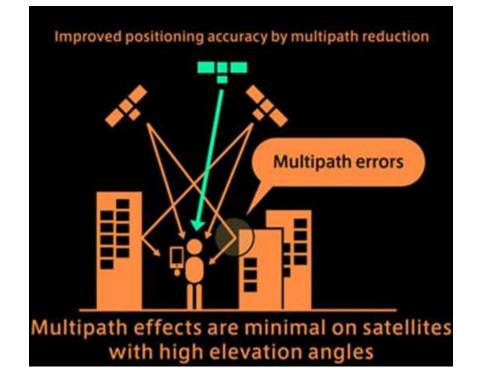
Why the SATNAV does not work well in Brussels, New York, Hong Kong...?

You see less sky.

(having more than GPS helps because you see more satellites)

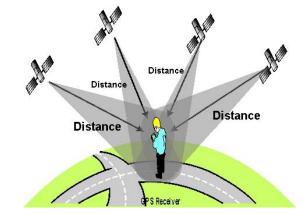
You get distorted signals bounced by buildings, called multipath.

(high end receivers have the intelligence to mitigate and reject the reflected signals)



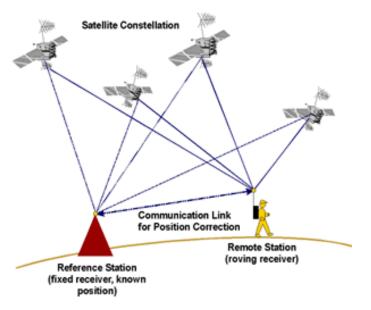


Standalone vs augmented



Stand ...alone! just you your receiver (and antenna) looking at what GNSS sends to you. You know where you are at meter level.





You have your receiver, you still look at what GNSS send you but you get additional information from a one (or network of) reference stations. The correction come to you via a radio, a modem, a

satellite, "any" communication

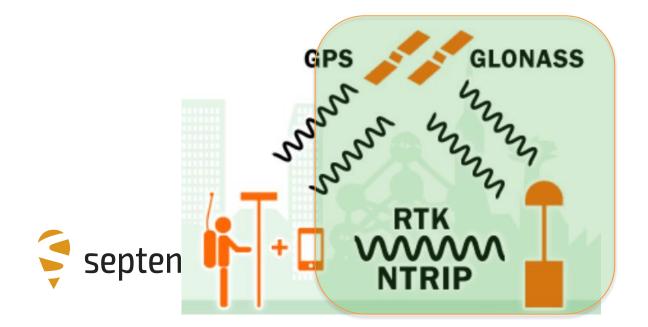
link.

What can you do with GNSS?

Let's look at our website

Land survey, aerial mapping, marine and dredging, machine control, agriculture

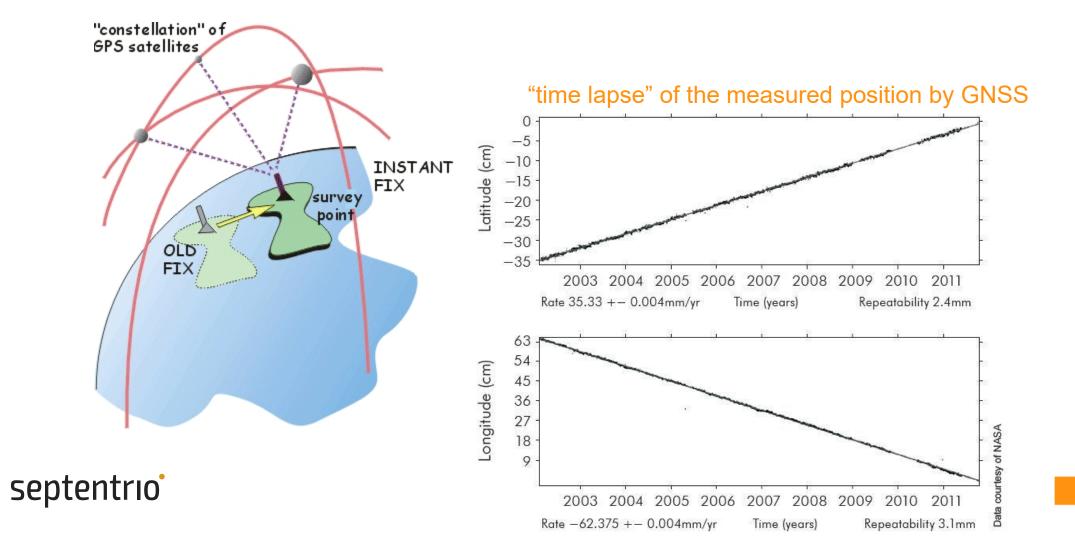
or...be reference station.





Science





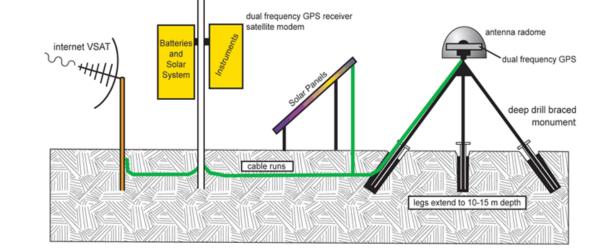
Volcano, earthquakes, continental drift...

Science needs DATA, as many as possible, as continuously as possible, as precise and complete as possible.

Amazing places on the planet...Iceland, Antarctica, Alaska, Himalaya, South America...deserts, top of mountains, volcanos, slides...

No 220V sockets for power supply

Not easily accessible





Unavco typical installations

















What is an ideal receiver for these applications?

Low (and scalable) power consumption

Robust and reliable measurements

Immune (as much as it is possible) to interference

Complete data and easy data transfer/management

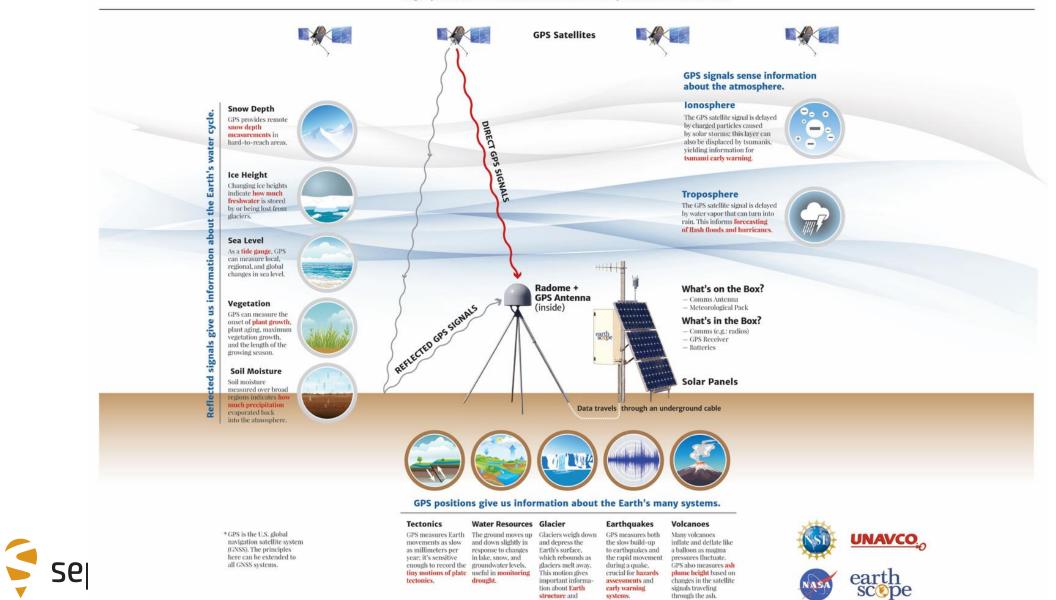
In case of problems, competent and fast support

= POLARX5! Best in class ©



What GPS can tell us about the Earth

High-precision GPS* Stations measure natural phenomena and hazards.



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changing shorelines.

structure and

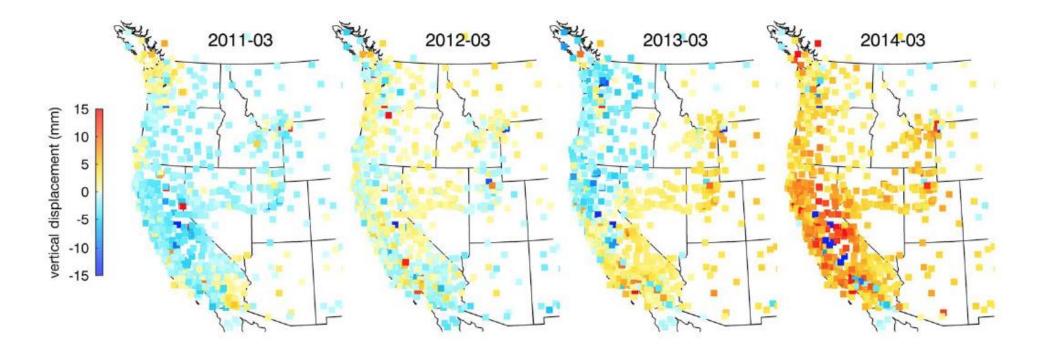
early warning

systems.

signals traveling

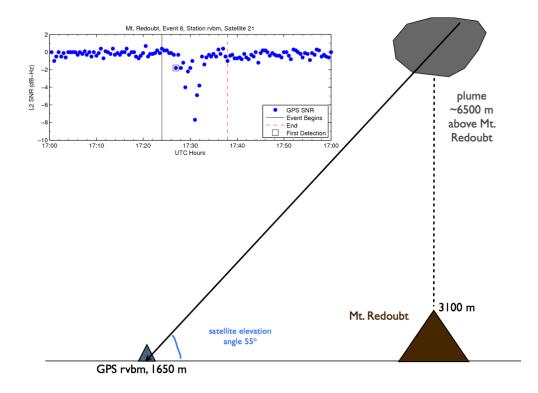
through the ash.

Drought



Septentrio Ongoing drought-induced uplift in the western United States, A. A. Borsa, D. C. Agnew, D.R. Cayan, Science, 2014

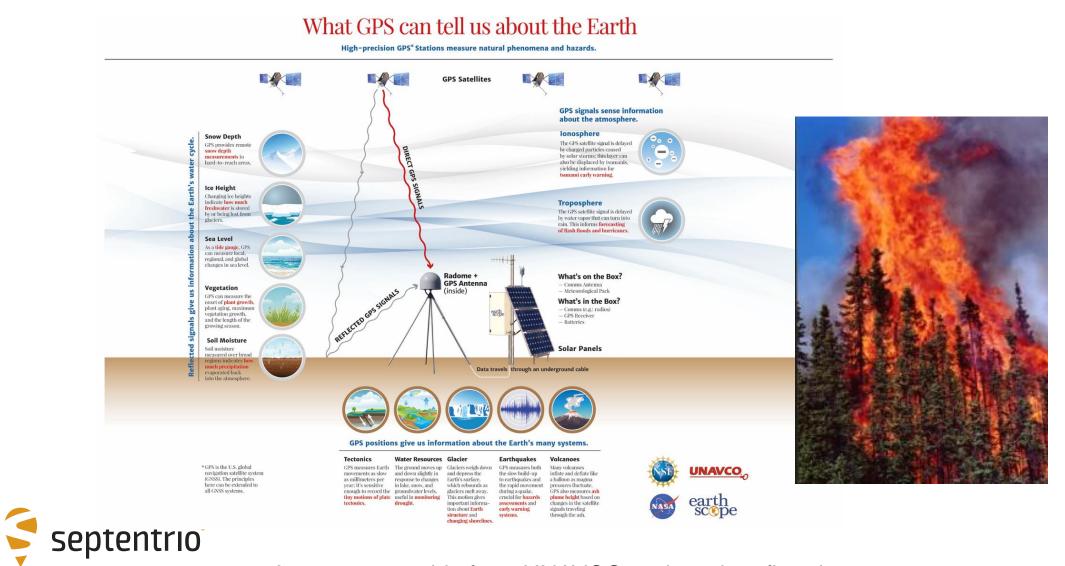






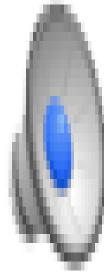
Septentrio A New Way to Detect Volcanic Plumes, K. M. Larson *Geophys. Res. Lett.*, 40, 2013

Wildfires



Awesome graphic from UNAVCO and random fire photo

Snow Depth: Avalanche or Flood





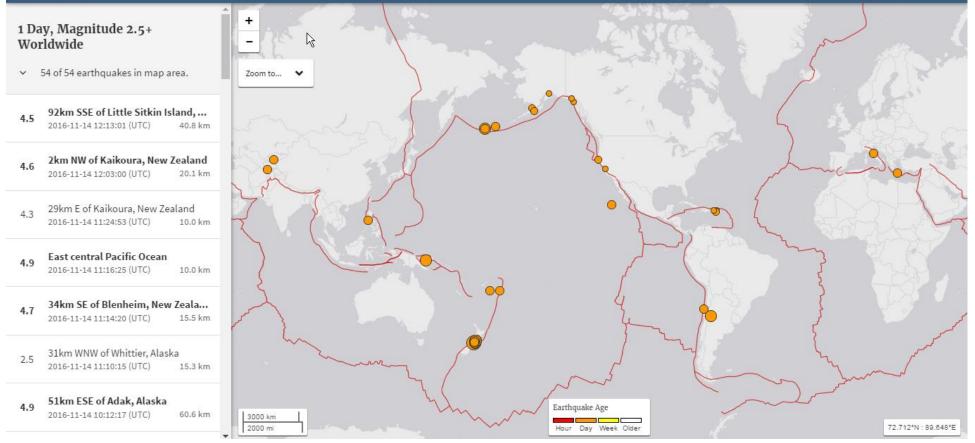


GPS Satellites Snow Depth cvcle. GPS provides remote DIRECT snow depth measurements in er hard-to-reach areas. GP Radome + **GPS** Antenna (inside) REFLECTED OPS SIGN Data travels through an und

GPS Snow Sensing: Results from the EarthScope Plate Boundary Observatory, K. M. Larson, K.M. & F.G. Nievinski, *GPS Solutions*, 17(1), 2013 I fell into a burnin' ring of fire I went down, down, down As the flames went higher, And it burns, burns, burns, The ring of fire, the ring of fire.



≥USGS

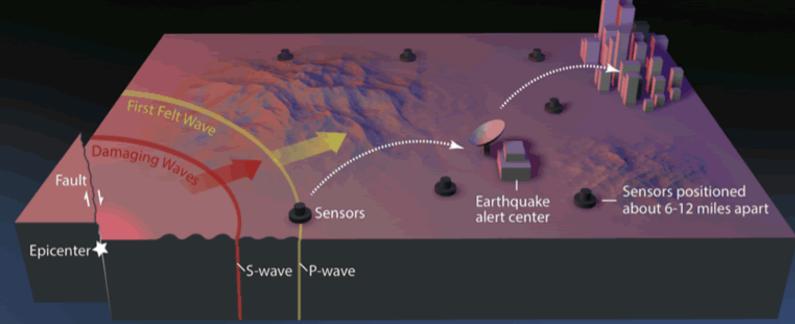




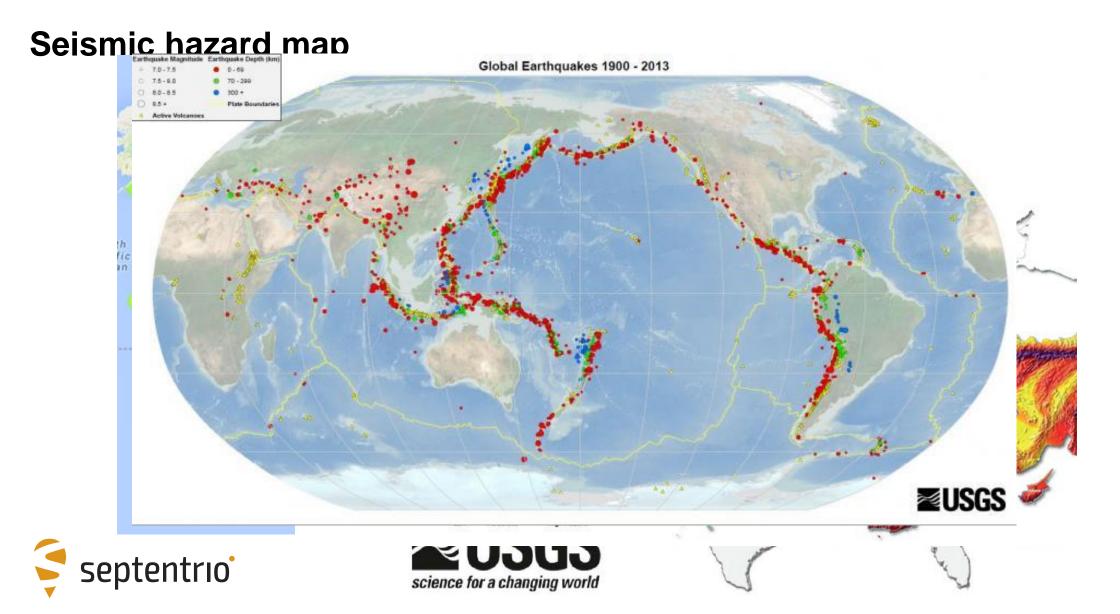
PPP for seismic monitoring

Earthquake Early Warning Basics

- In an earthquake, a rupturing fault sends out different types of waves. The fast-moving P-wave is first to arrive, but damage is caused by the slower S-waves and later-arriving surface waves.
- 2 Sensors detect the P-wave and immediately transmit data to an earthquake alert center where the location and size of the quake are determined and updated as more data become available.
- 3 A message from the alert center is immediately transmitted to your computer or mobile phone, which calculates the expected intensity and arrival time of shaking at your location.



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Early warning



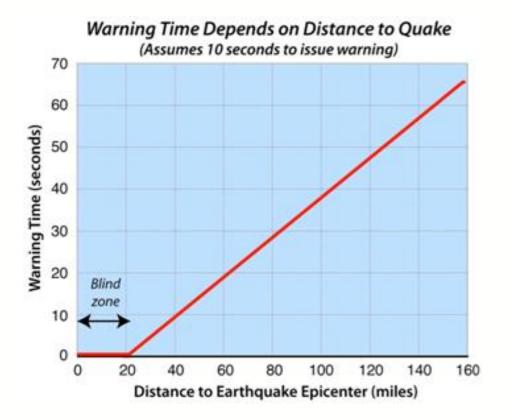
Up to 1 minute warning

Since seismic waves travel slower than internet and phone communication it is possible to quickly detect the start of the earthquake and send warning out to locations farther away.

Shut down gas lines, electricity etc



Early warning

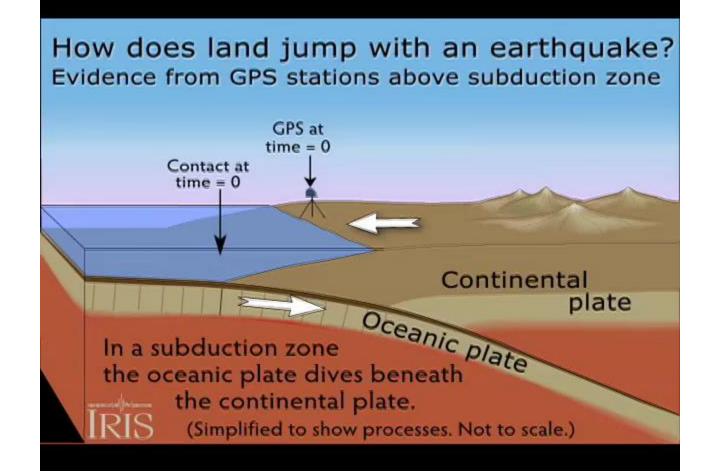


http://www.shakealert.org

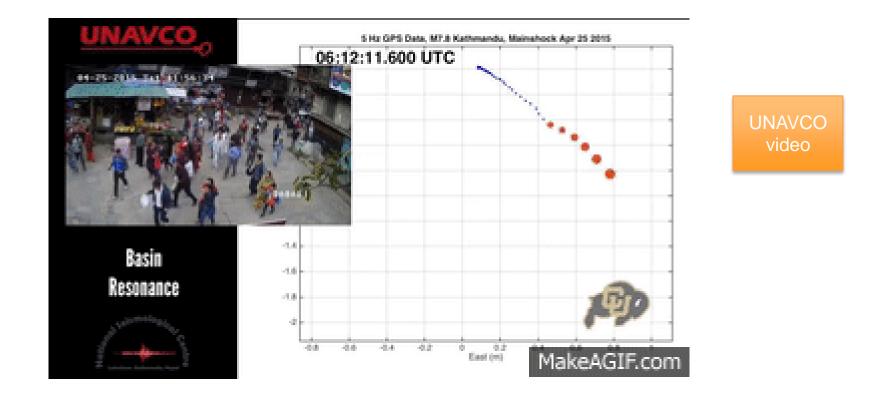
earthquake early warning (EEW) system called ShakeAlert for the west coast of the United States



Some examples









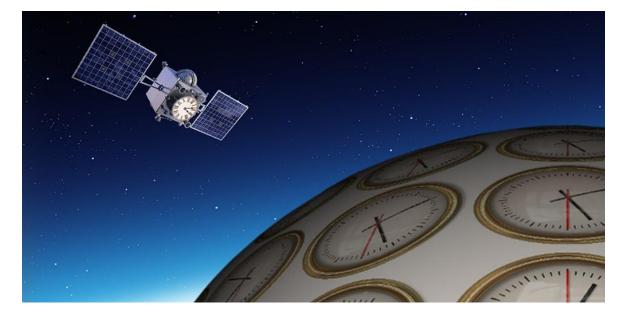
What about PolaRx5S?



GNSS as sensor to study the ionosphere



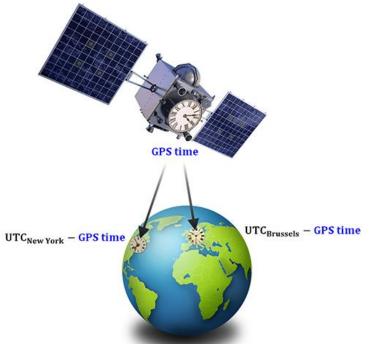
What about PolaRx5TR?



GNSS for time transfer

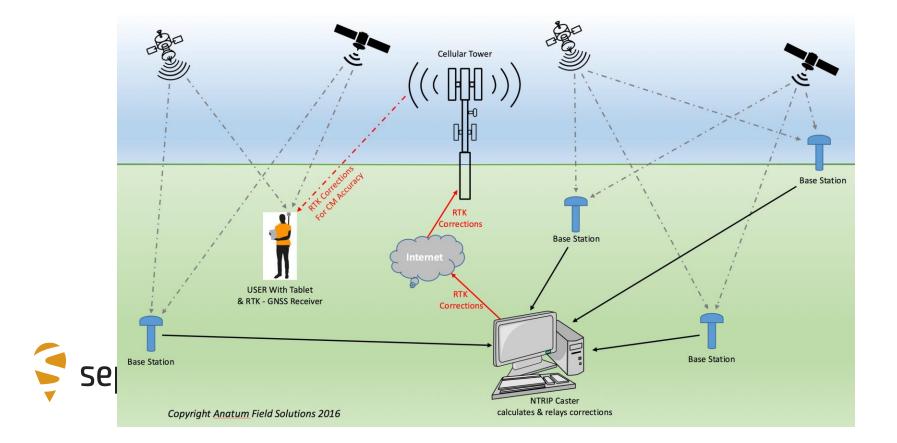
UTC Universal Time Coordinated determination

Precise (ns) synchronization of equipment

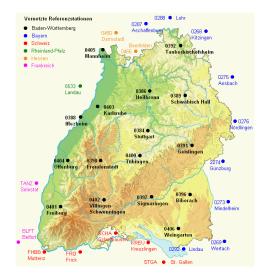




Not only science...RTK networks



RTK & PPP Networks





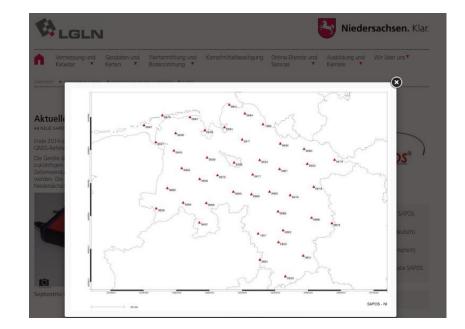




SAPOS: 100 PolaRx for SAPOS

SAPOS deployments in:

MecklenBurg Köln LGL



About 40 PolaRx4 and about 60 PolaRx5 deployed

Aktuelle SAPOS®-Entwicklungen in Niedersachsen

44 NEUE SAPOS®-EMPFÄNGER BESCHAFFT

Ende 2014 wurden von der Landesvermessung und Geobasisinformation in einer europaweiten Ausschreibung 44 neue GNSS-Referenzstationsempfänger für Niedersachsen und Bremen beschafft.



Die Geräte des Herstellers Septentrio B.V. werden in Leuven in Belgien produziert und sind für alle gegenwärtigen und zukünftigen GNSS sowie SBAS konzipiert. Damit können sämtliche für Positionierungs-, Navigations- und Zeitanwendungen vorhandenen GNSS- (GPS, GLONASS, Galileo, Beidou) und SBAS-Satelliten (EGNOS, WAAS, ...) genutzt werden. Die Beschaffung, die SAPOS®-Nutzern zahlreiche Vorteile bringen wird, wurde mit Erlass des Referats 43 des Niedersächsischen Ministeriums für Inneres und Sport ermöglicht.



Ordnance Survey UK: 60 PolaRx5

Part of network update

Interference detection and mitigation as requirement

Thorough evaluation of the receiver performances



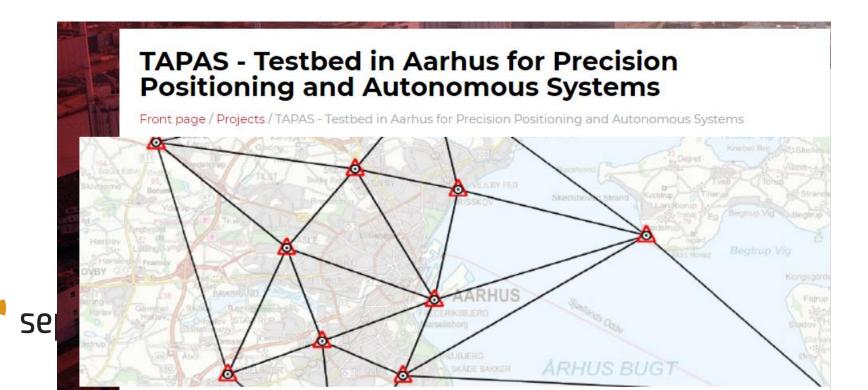




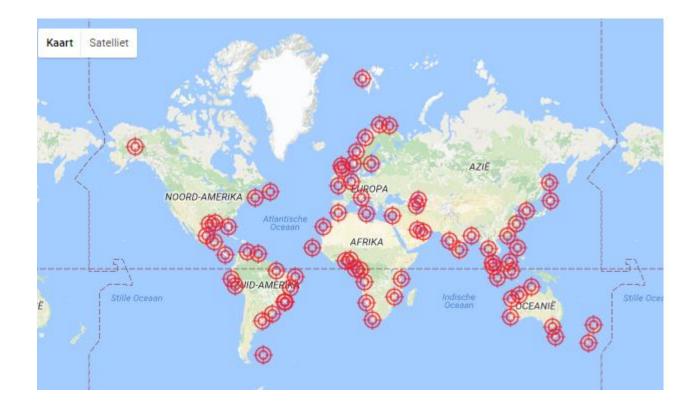
TAPAS – Denmark

11 PolaRx5/PolaRx5S for test bed applications

TAPAS is a science and research project aimed to verify to which extend an improved infrastructure can contribute to exploit the full advantage of the technical achievements of the new Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS)



80 reference stations Veripos/Terrastar network





IGS Network

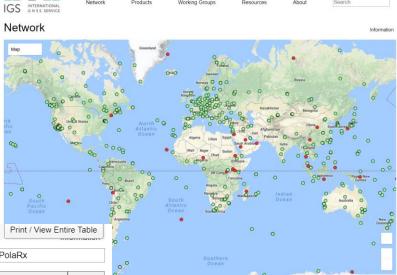
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Receivers in IGS Network

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50 PolaRx units n the network.Old PolaRx2/3 still active, demonstrating quality and durability of Septentrio receivers

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