



GNSS Analysis with Galileo Observations in the Subnetwork of the BEK Analysis Centre

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- Analysis follows the EPN guidelines for ACs
- The operational analysis is performed with GPS and GLONASS observations only
- Since September 2017 (GPS-Week 1975) also Galileo is analysed with Bernese 5.2 as an additional product (3Char-Id.: BEX)
- This product is not included in the combination of the final EPN products (based on the recommendations of the last AC workshop)
- The presentation will focus on the inclusion of Galileo data in the BEK subnetwork and will discuss its impact







GNSS Availability in the BEK Subnetwork





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- Checking RINEX3 availability (RINEX3 is recommended for Galileo)
- Use long long file names for the RINEX3 observations
 - (e.g. WTZR1220.18O -> WTZR00DEU_R_20181220000_01D_30S_MO.crx.gz
- Replace RINEX2 observation files by RINEX3 files of the same site
- Use MGEX (Multi GNSS EXperiment) products from CODE (\$D/COM), Satellite orbits and ERP
- The GFZ-Tool *gfzrnx* might be used in the future to convert RINEX2 into RINEX3 and create long filenames







GNSS Observations in RINEX3



System	1975 / 2017		1999 / 2018	
	Sites	#SV	Sites	#SV
GPS	54/54	32	59/59	32
GLONASS	53/54	26	58/59	25
Galileo	51/54	18	58/59	19
Beidou	35/54	18	42/59	24
QZSS	2/54	2	3/59	4
SBAS	26/54	14	31/59	14

Remaining Galileo observations in RINEX-2 files:

COBA, KELY, LROC, SALA ,SCOR, SFER, SJDV

Conversion with *gfzrnx* is possible, but not tested yet.









Some measures have to be taken prior to the analysis:

- Define OBS_GAL.SEL for signal selection (multi to dual frequency)
- Adopt INPUT-file for RNXSMT (add Galileo)
- Check file RECEIVER. and include Galileo ("GRE") for the following receivers:
 - JAVAD: TRE_G3TH,
 - LEICA: GRX1200+GNSS, GR10, GR25, GR30 & GR50
 - Septentrio: POLARX4, PolarX4TR, and POLARX5
 - Trimble: NETR9
- Use release 2017-08-28 of Bernese 5.2!









- Galileo-PCV-Corrections for receiver antennas are only partially available
- A large number of receiver antennas needs to be recalibrated (GPS/GLONASS only available)
 - Robot or chamber calibrations
- In this study the PCV for Galileo signals for ground antennas are replaced by GPS (L₁/L₂)
- Offsets for the transmitting Galileo antennas were estimated by two ACs (GFZ and DLR, see Steigenberger et al. 2016)
- The meta data provided through IGS14_IOV.atx and ANTEX_GAL_FOC_IOV.atx are not considered





Network of Baselines (BEX)





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Galileo Observations and Ambiguities



Observations:	System	SVs per Epoch	3-GNSS Stations	Entire mixed Network
	GPS	8.1	43 %	57 %
	GLONASS	6.3	33 %	32 %
	Galileo	4.4	24 %	11 %

Ambiguity Resolution Rate - Week 1975-1995:





3-GNSS versus 2-GNSS Horizontal





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3-GNSS versus 2-GNSS Vertical





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- BEX (3-GNSS) daily solutions were combined with operational EPN AC solutions (15 ACs) for a period of 21 weeks (GPS weeks 1975– 1995)
- Position residuals obtained for new (BEX) and operational (BEK) daily solutions with respect to combined solutions are compared
- The impact of new solutions on combined positions was also inspected

Mean RMSs of daily station position residuals with respect to combined solutions:

Solution type	North (mm)	East (mm)	Up (mm)
BEX (with Galileo)	0.51	0.47	2.08
BEK	0.43	0.42	1.59
Ratio	1.19	1.12	1.31





RMS of Daily Solutions



- For each BEK and BEX daily solution, station position residuals are computed wrt. to the resulting combined solution.
- On the basis of the residuals, RMS were computed for each BEK and BEX solution.
- Differences in RMS are shown in the right figure







Time Series of Position Residuals LEON00ESP



2000

2000

2000





Time Series of Position Residuals ZIM200CHE







Impact on the Combined Solution



Mean position differences between combined positions obtained with:

- new (BEX-3GNSS) and
- operational solutions (BEK-2GNSS)









- The analysis of Galileo observations can be easily integrated in Bernese 5.2
- The mean RMS of new BEX solutions with respect to combined solutions is slightly higher than the RMS of operational solutions
- The impact of new solutions on mean combined positions is small, and does not exceed 0.5 mm in horizontal components and 2 mm in the vertical component
- Only a few antennas are calibrated for Galileo signals, which remains as a big problem
- The full integration of Galileo data into the operational analysis requires the complete correction models for the Galileo observations

