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New 5 mm geoid model for Estonia

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The study – an offspring of two large regional projects - the NKG2015 (completed) and FAMOS (ongoing) geoid modelling projects **Motivation of the study**

Estonia has adopted a new height reference system (Estonian realisation of EVRS – normal heights with respect to the Amsterdam NAP)

New marine gravity data along the Estonian coasts (DTU Chekan 2016-2017 campaigns)

High precise GNSS/levelling points, the combined uncertainty ~5 mm $u_{GNSS-lev} = \sqrt{u_{GNSS}^2 + u_{lev}^2}$

Availability of new GGM-s (e.g. GOCO05s and GOCO05c tested)

Gravity DATA

Adjacent to Estonia data originates from the Nordic Geodetic Committee gravity database (incl. uncertainty estimates, status of 2015) Revised, cleaned, data voids filled New data FAMOS 2016 - 2017 marine campaign in Estonian coastal waters (DTU Chekan)

~700+ new g-points from Estonia





Hypothesis – A 5 MM GEOID MODEL SHOULD BE ACHIEVABLE over most of Estonian land surface



Gravity anomaly gridding

Gridding of gravity anomalies by RIR (removeinterpolate-restore) techique,

The LSC (least squares collocation, considers the assigned uncertainties of g-data) stochastic prediction was applied for the anomaly gridding

Geoid modelling

the method of unbiased (Sjöberg 1991) least squares modifications of Stokes formula with additive corrections (ULSMSA) appeared also to perform the best for the present study (also in NKG2015 geoid and previous EST-GEOID2011)



Gravimetric qgeoid model GRAV-GEOID2017



GNSS-lev evaluation and fitting

Levelling network:

- Renovated national levelling network, (adjusted height uncertainty 1.8 mm)
 Geodetic network (long lasting static GNSS, single campaign, year of solar minima, Bernese):
 - geodetic heights, corrected for the land uplift (NKG2005LU),
 - GNSS uncertainty 4.6 mm (1-sigma, h-component) $u_{GNSS-lev} = \sqrt{u_{GNSS}^2 + u_{lev}^2}$

131 GNSS/levelling points $dN = N_{GG} - N_{obs}$ (whereas $N_{obs} = h - H$)

Firstly - polynomial fit (GMT)

Method DIFFs(cm): Average StDev Min Max NoPoints





Final fit by using LSC stochastic prediction (based on GNSS/lev uncertainties, covariance analysis) More realistic, rather than just constraining to 0. The residuals at the GNSS/levelling points yielded StDev 4.2 mm (1 sigma).



Differences between the EST-GEOID2017 ja EST-GEOID2011. (tilt manifests deformations of the previous height system) Unit is cm





Conclusions

The currently available land-based gravity data fulfill the 5 mm geoid modelling requirement for the Estonian mainland and islands.

This does not apply to the situation at sea, where the density of the airborne and shipboard gravity data do not allow the realization of a 5-mm quasigeoid model (however, such a precise dataproduct is hardly needed for off-shore navigation/industry)

Future studies

Bridging the (coastal) gap in between the land-based geoid model and the open sea/ocean (where the retracked radar altimetry-derived SSH data can be useful)

Assessment of marine geod modelling by using GNSS profiles, whether the 5 cm geoid (a goal for FAMOS) in Estonian waters is achievable

Gravity anomaly field over Estonia

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FAMOS slides

FAMOS – Finalising Surveys for the Baltic Motorways of the Sea



The main part of FAMOS (Activity 1) is to finalise hydrographic surveying in areas of the Baltic Sea of interest for commercial shipping.

The FAMOS project started in 2014 and is planned to end in 2020 (hopefully).



FAMOS Activity 2 - Harmonising vertical datum (FAMOS Freja)

Motivation: Contribute to future satellite navigation and hydrographic surveying with GNSS based methods by improving the marine geodetic infrastructure.

Mainly by supporting the introduction of Baltic Sea Chart Datum 2000 (EVRS, epoch 2000.0) as the common unified chart datum in the Baltic Sea.

Most important is to improve the Baltic Sea geoid model by making marine gravity measurements on board the FAMOS survey and other available vessels.

A quality controlled FAMOS geoid model with a verified standard uncertainty of 5 cm is planned for release by the end of the global FAMOS project in 2020 (or at the end of STM-FAMOS 2021, ?).

This geoid model will then be used to construct the BSCD2000 height reference surface that will realize the Baltic Sea Chart Datum 2000 at sea.

It will be used for GNSS-based navigation and hydrographic surveying in the future to get heights/depths in BSCD2000.







Example of a dedicated marine gravimetry campaign: Sektori 2017 (Estonia)

July 2-6, 2017

DTU, TUT and VTA

DTU's Chekan AM gravimeter







Marine gravimetry campaigns in FAMOS



- Deneb 2015
- Airisto 2015
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- Finnlady 2018
- Kattegatt 2018* (airborne)