



# Performance of Galileo for geodetic positioning under challenging signal reception conditions

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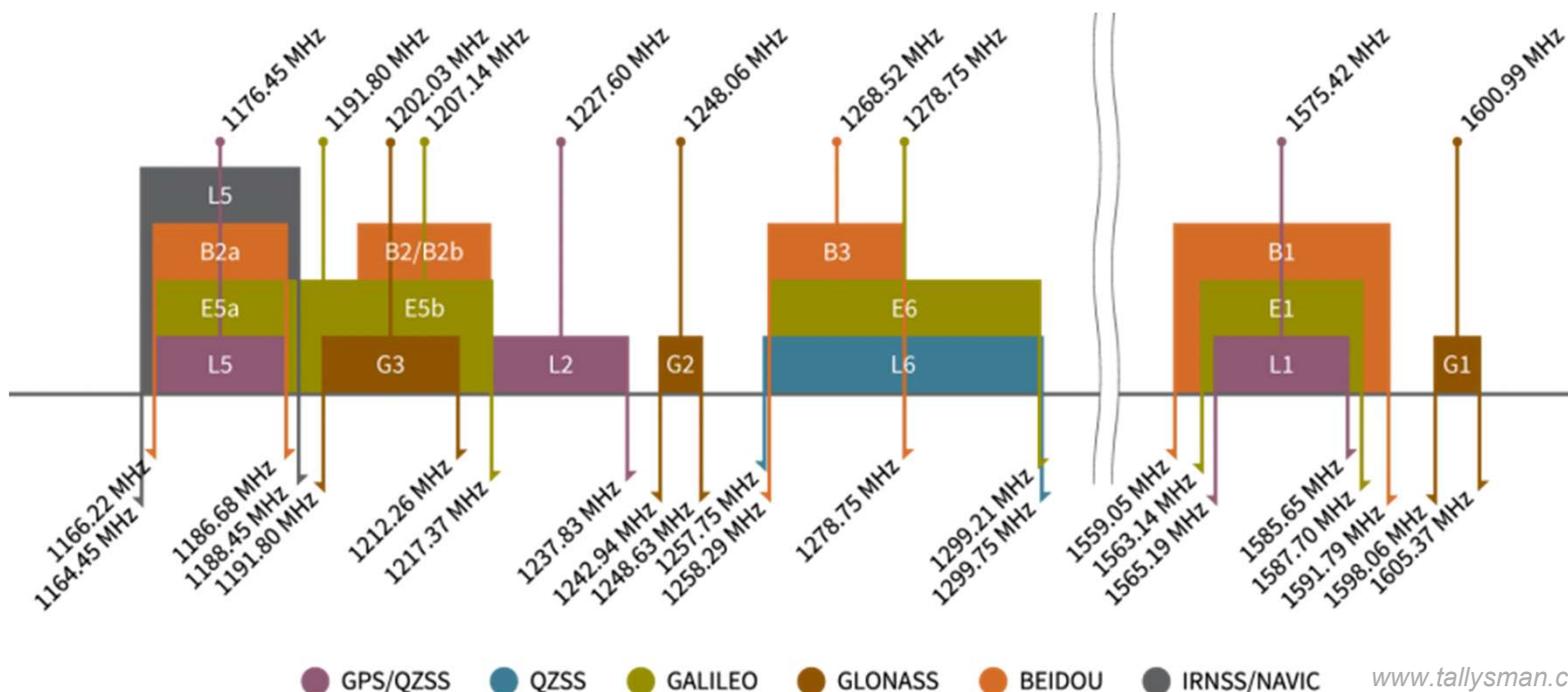
# Introduction



- Galileo's design is promising enhanced performance
- Advanced techniques are used in its signal design (BOC, AltBOC etc.)
- Several studies demonstrated superior signal tracking performance
- Here we focus on Galileo's performance under unfavorable signal reception conditions

# Characteristics of GNSS signals

## GNSS frequencies



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# Characteristics of GNSS signals

## GNSS (civil) signals

GNSS	Block	Signals	Modulations used
GPS	IIR IIR-M IIF III	L1 C/A, L1/L2 P(Y) L1 C/A, L1/L2 P(Y), <b>L2C</b> , L1 C/A, L1/L2 P(Y), L2C, <b>L5</b> L1 C/A, L1/L2 P(Y), L2C, L5, <b>L1C</b>	BPSK, BPSK mux, <b>TMBOC</b>
GLN	M K1 K2	L1OF, L1SF , L2OF, L2SF L1OF, L1SF , L2OF, L2SF, L3OC L1OF, L1SF , L2OF, L2SF, L1OC, L1SC, L2OC, L2SC, L3OC	BPSK, <b>BOC</b>
BDS-2		B1-2, B2, B3	BPSK
BDS-3		B1-2, B1, B2, B3ab	BPSK, TMBOC, BOC, <b>TMBOC</b>
GAL		E1, E6, E5a, E5b, <b>E5a+b</b>	CBOC, BPSK-BOC, <b>AltBOC</b>

*based on Montenbruck et al., 2017*

# Characteristics of GNSS signals

## Power of main GNSS signals

GNSS	Band	Signal	Power (dBW)
GPS	L1	C/A	-158.5
		P(Y)	-161.5
		L1C-P	-158.25
	L2	P(Y)	-161.5 <sup>a</sup>
		L2C	-163.0 <sup>b</sup>
	L5	L5I,Q	-157.9 <sup>c</sup>
GLN	G1	C/A	-161.0
	G2	C/A	-161.0

GNSS	Band	Signal	Power (dBW)
GAL	E1	D(B)	-160.0
		P(C)	
	E5	E5a E5b	-158.0
	E6	D(B) P(C)	-158.0
BDS	B1-2	OS	-163.0
	B2b	OS	-163.0

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Notes: <sup>a</sup> -164.5 for block IIA/IIR, <sup>b</sup> -161.5 for block III, <sup>c</sup> -157.0 for block III.



# Case studies



## Analyzed data:

- **Measurements under tree canopies**
- **Measurements in the presence of E/M interferences**

# Case studies

## Representative examples

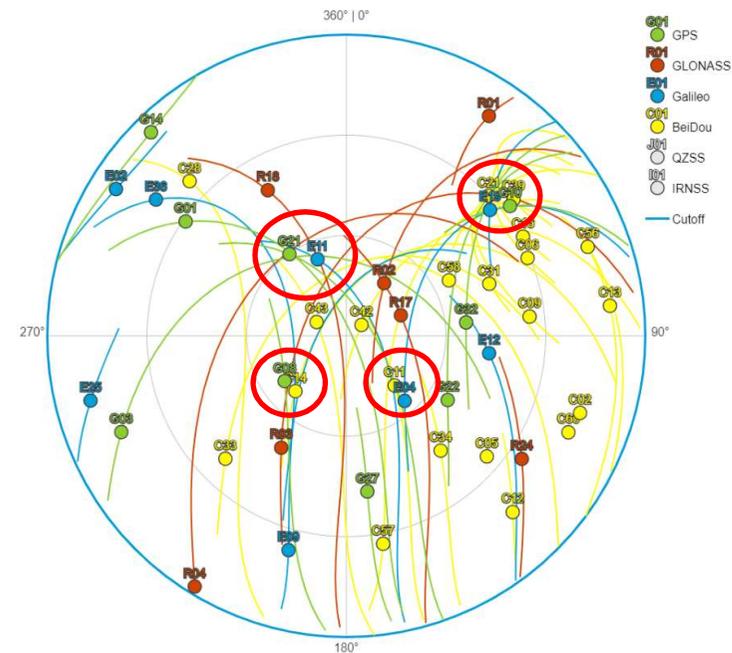


# Data analysis

## Notes on the analysis strategy

### Comparison of SNR among GNSS:

- Compare with a receiver tracking on a nearby 'good' point
- Only satellites with similar Elev. & Az. were compared





# Data analysis



## Notes on the analysis strategy

### Comparison of signals among GNSS:

- E5 vs. L2: Imposed by practical reasons
- E5 vs. L5: Theoretically more correct



# Data analysis



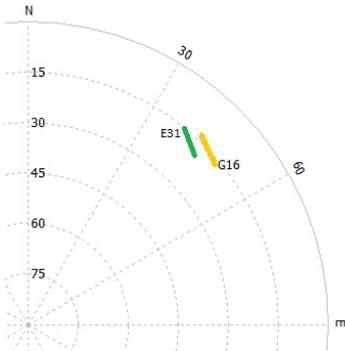
## Notes on the analysis strategy

### Comparison of coordinate errors among GNSS:

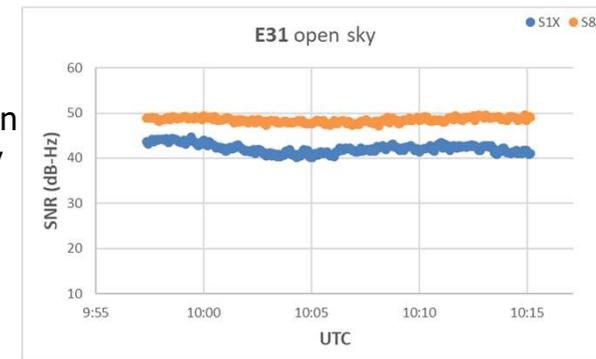
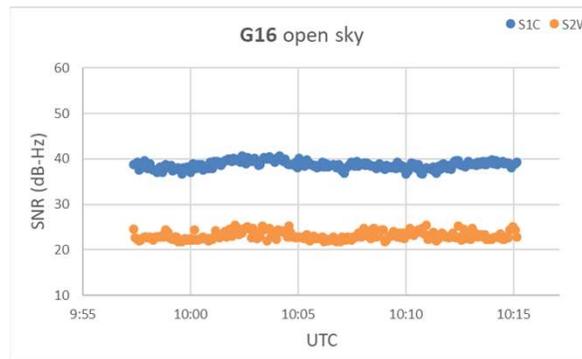
- Use all sv of each GNSS: OK from practical point of view
- Use same # of sv, similar DOP etc.: More fair comparison

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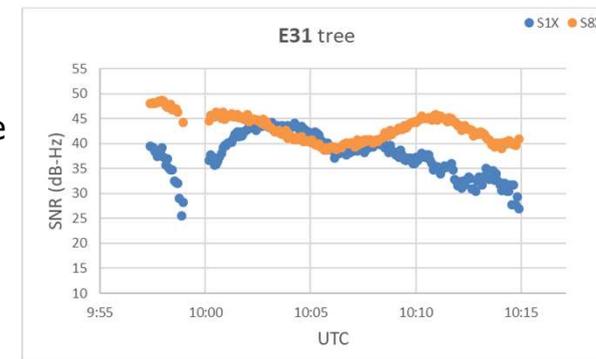
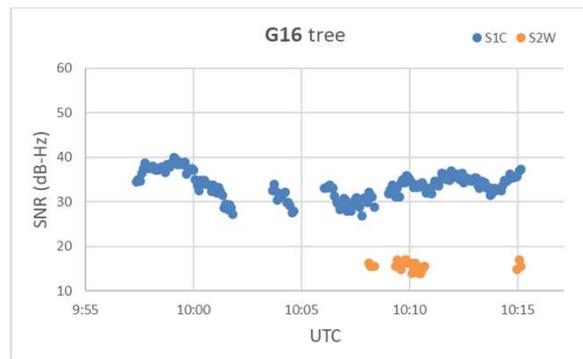
## Tree canopies: SNR analysis



GPS vs. GAL	
L1	E1
L2	E5



Open sky



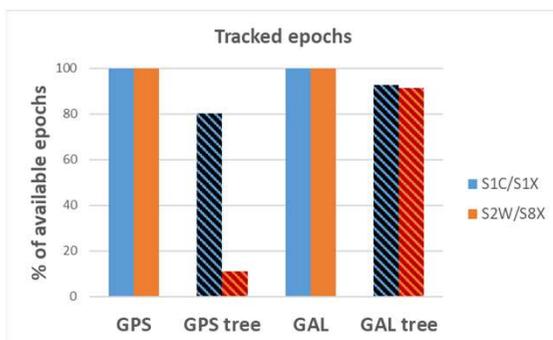
tree

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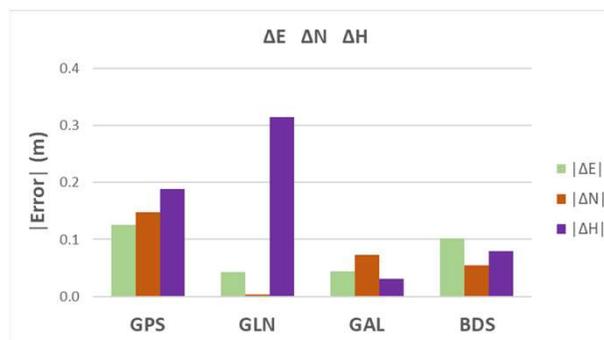


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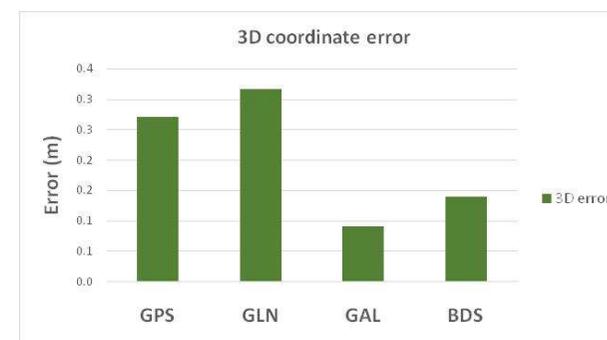
Tracked epochs (G16 - E31)



Positioning error ( $\Delta E$   $\Delta N$   $\Delta H$ )

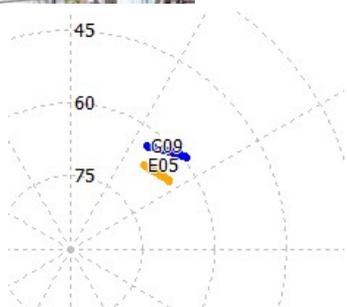


Positioning error (3D error)

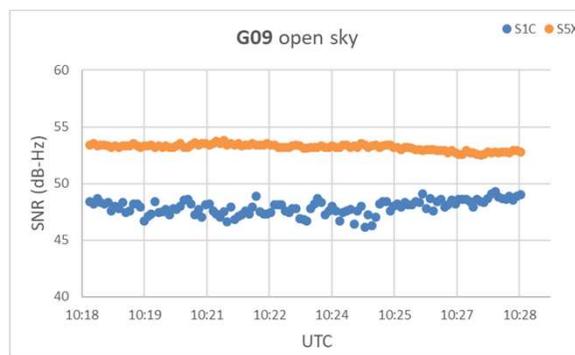


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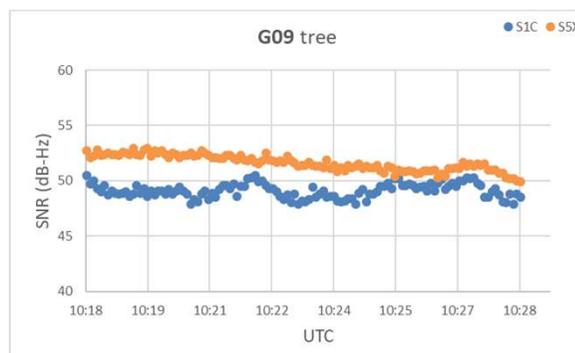
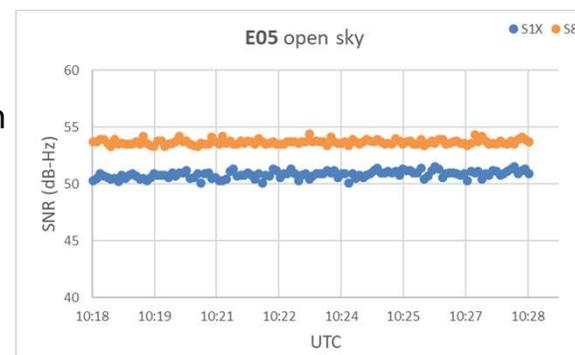
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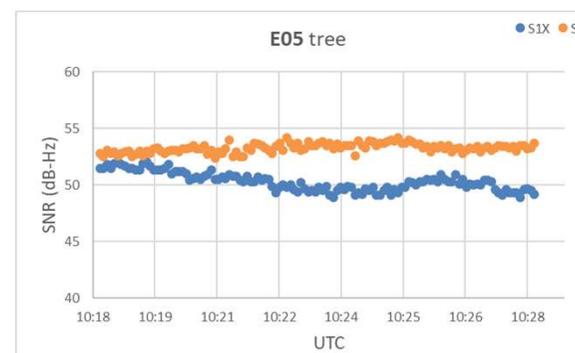
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Open sky



tree

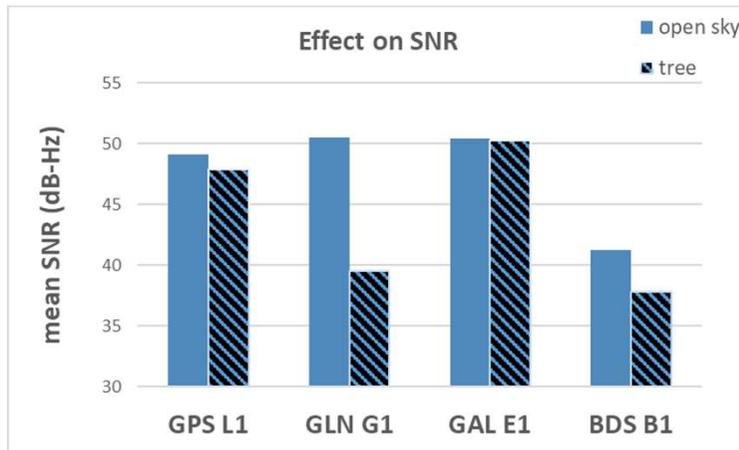


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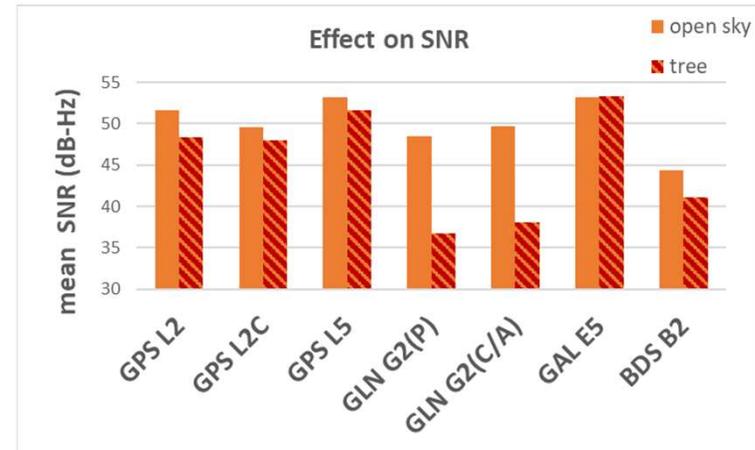


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SNR (L1, G1, E1, B1)



SNR (L2, G2, E5, B2)

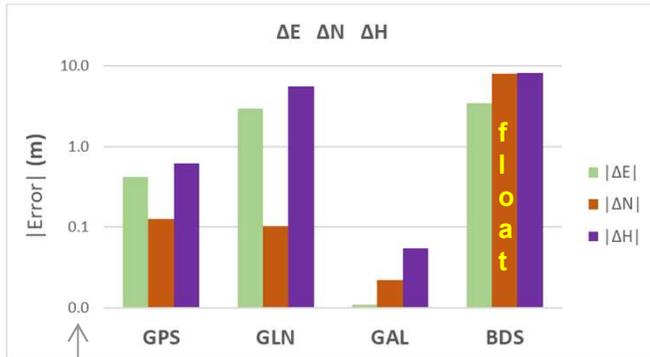


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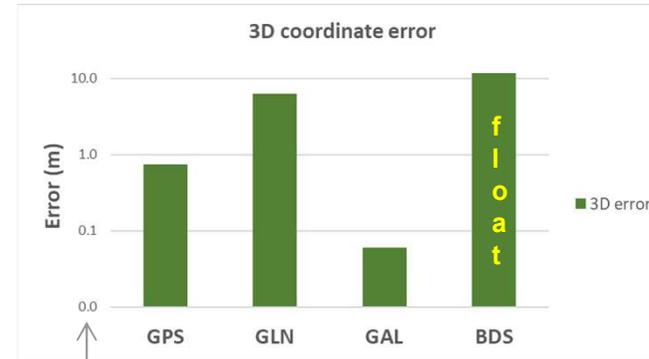
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Positioning error ( $\Delta E$   $\Delta N$   $\Delta H$ )



Logarithmic scale !

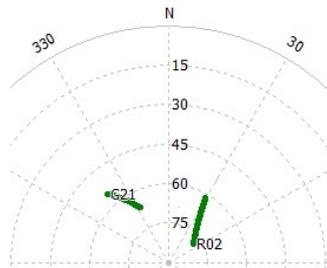
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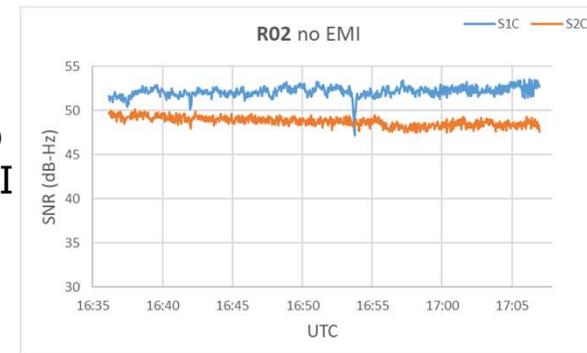
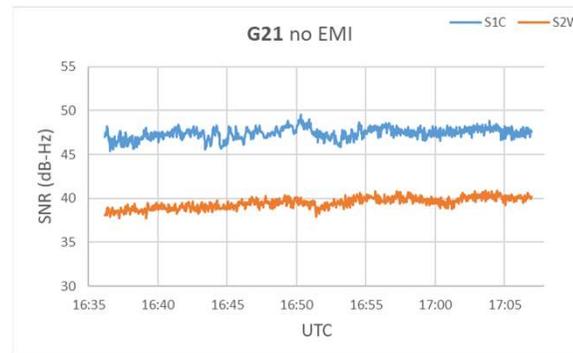
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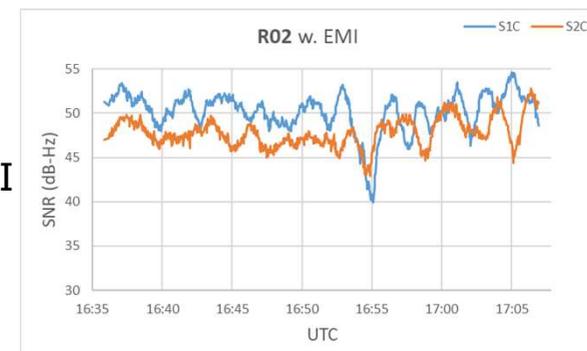
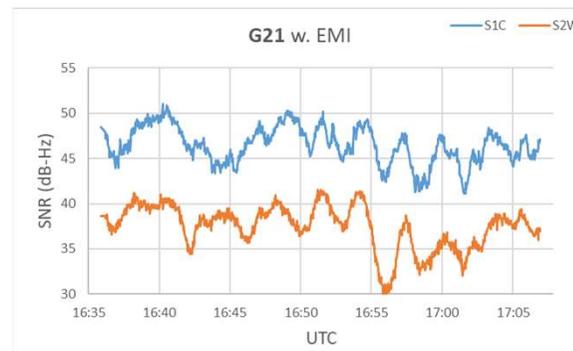
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GPS		vs.	GLN	
L1			G1	
L2			G2	



no  
EMI



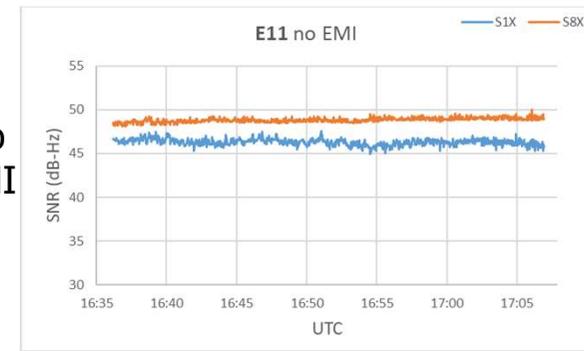
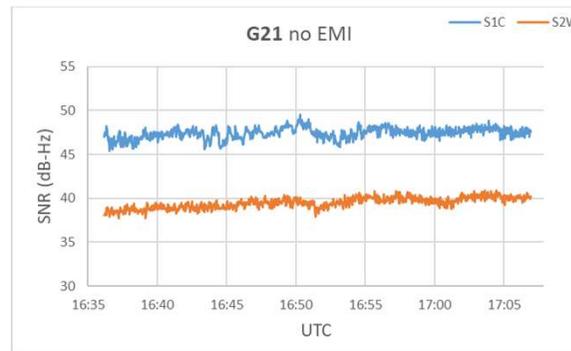
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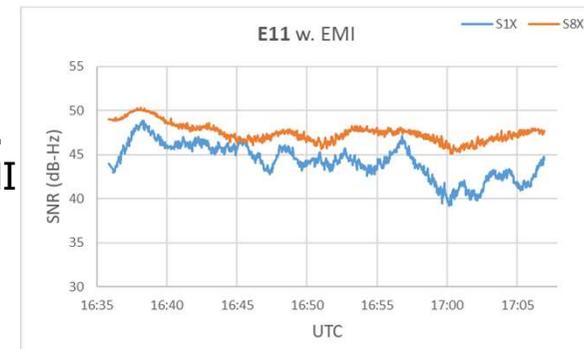
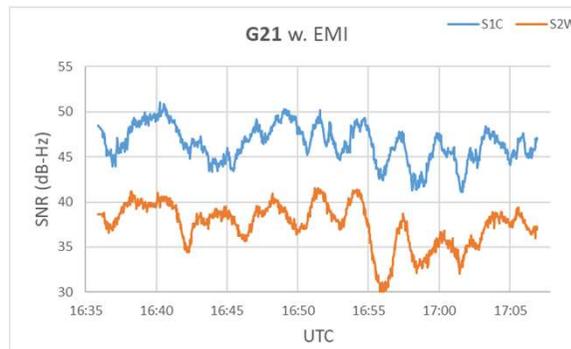
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GPS vs. GAL	
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L2	E5



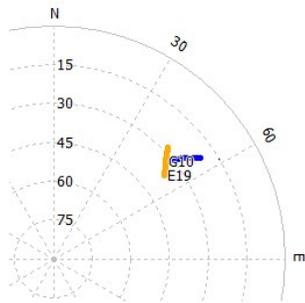
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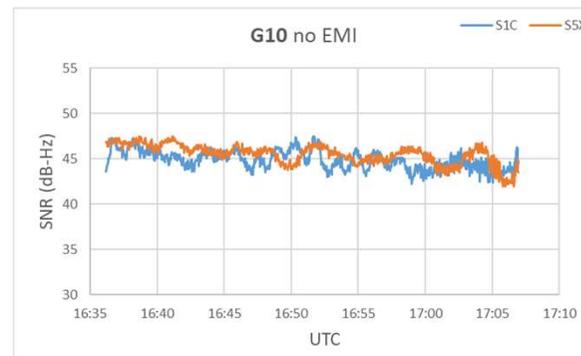
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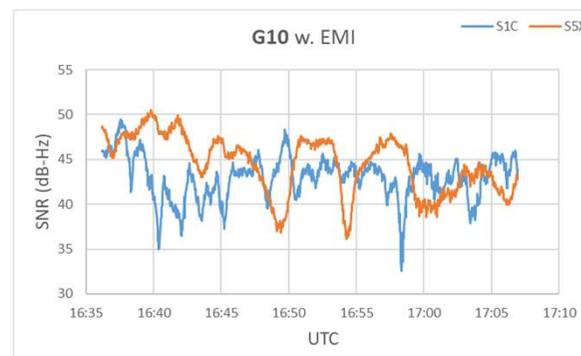
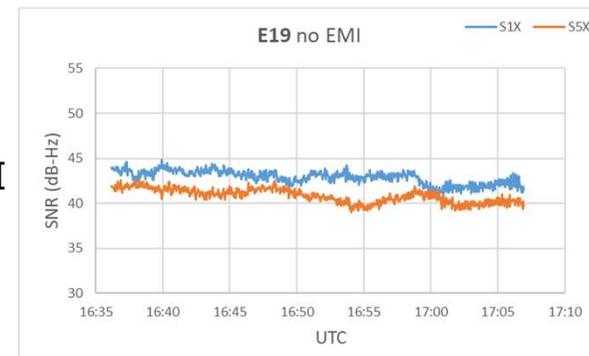
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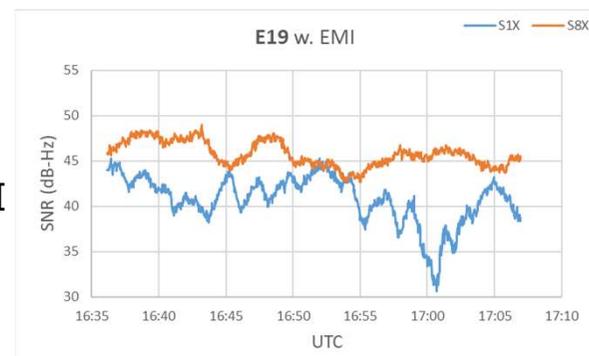
GPS vs. GAL	
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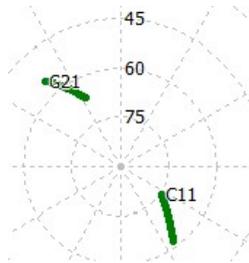


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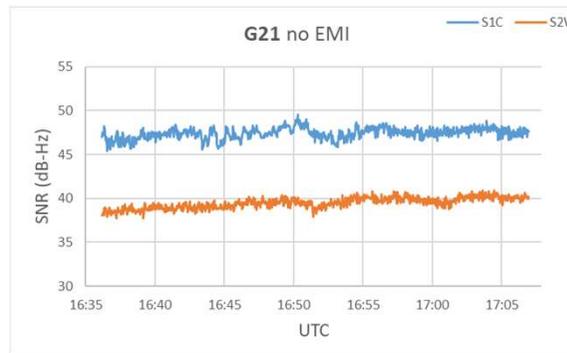


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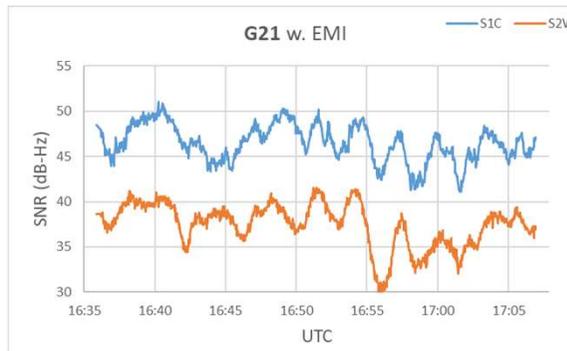
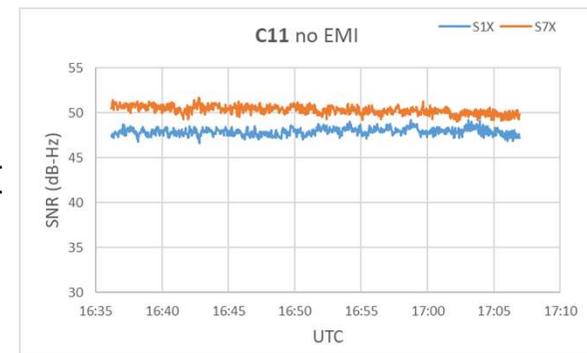
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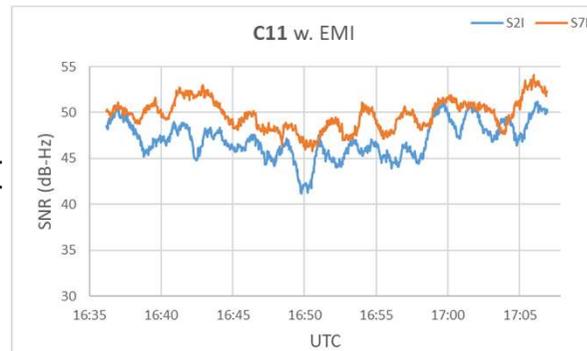
GPS vs. BDS	
L1	B1
L2	B2



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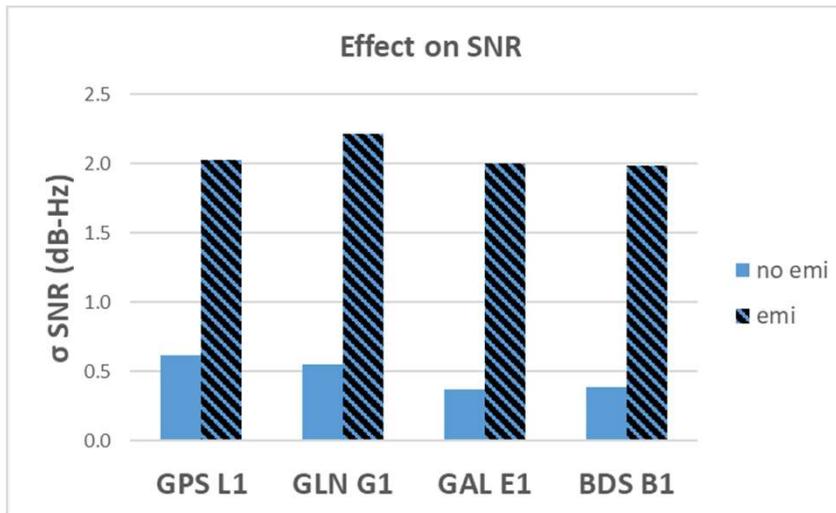


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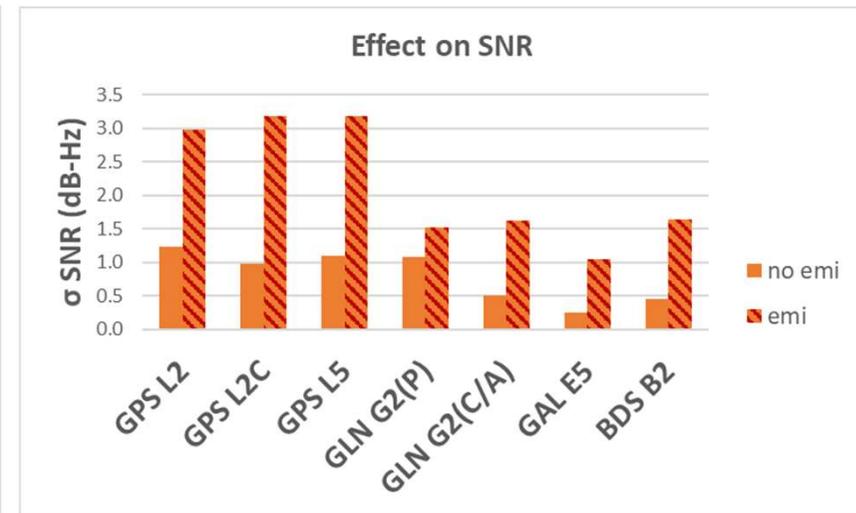
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SNR (L2, G2, E5, B2)



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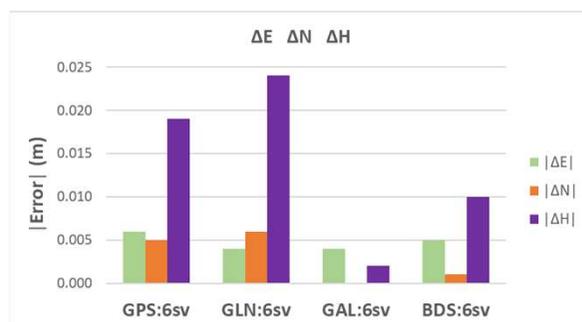
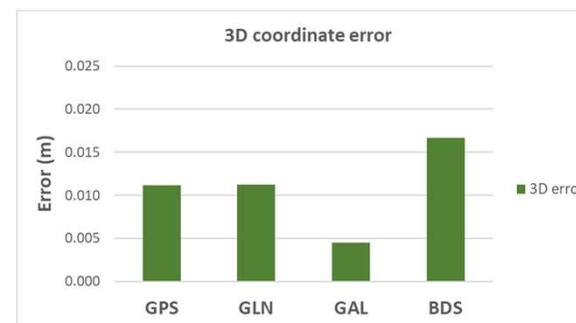


Positioning error ( $\Delta E \Delta N \Delta H$ )

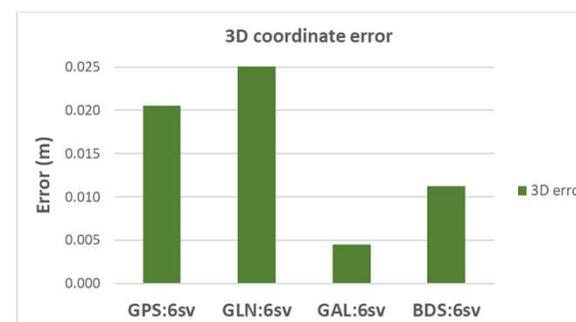


all sv  
of each GNSS

Positioning error (3D error)



same # of sv,  
similar DOP



# Conclusions

## ➤ Tracking under tree canopies

- E1 performs slightly better than L1
- E5 performs much better than L2 (L8X vs. L2W)
- E5 performs slightly better than L5, G2, B2
- G1 and G2 are mostly affected

} importance of L2C, L5, L1C

## ➤ Tracking in the presence of EMI

- E1 performs more or less similar to L1, G1, B1
- E5 performs better than L2, L5, G2, B2

## ➤ Positioning error

- Galileo shows a superior performance



# Future work



- Examine more cases
- Distinguish between different kinds of interferences (in-band, out-of-band etc.)
- Focus on modernized signals (L2C, L5, L1C, B1C, B2a etc.)
- Investigate dependency on receiver architecture



***Thank you for your attention!***

