GNSS real-time activities on a global and regional scale

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Outline

- IGS real-time working group (RTWG) and IGS real-time pilot project (IGS-RT PP)
- EUREF Permanent Network real-time activities and EPN special project “Real-time analysis”
- IGS-RT PP – orbit & clock corrections & combination
- Real-time data & product streaming – dissemination concept
- Conclusions and Outlook
IGS-RT PP – Key objectives

- Manage and maintain a global IGS real-time GNSS tracking network
- Generate real-time products
- Investigate standards and formats for real-time data collection, data dissemination and delivery of derived products
- Monitor the integrity of IGU predicted orbits and GNSS status
Statement from Mark Caissy (RTWG chairman):

- IGS is on a path to enable access to a global reference frame in real-time through the availability of real-time clock and orbit correction information.
- This information will be available through IP channels.
- Targeted accuracies (0.3 ns for clocks; 5-6 cm for orbits).
- IGS cannot guarantee delivery but will rely on its track record for acceptance.
EPN real-time activities

- Streaming GNSS data over the open Internet
- PP EUREF-IP successfully transferred to routine operation
- New SP on „Real-time analysis“ (EUREF mail 4259 (March, 13))

- Call for participation
  - Re-dissemination of GNSS real-time data and products in Europe via NTRIP Broadcasters
  - Validation of clock and orbit correctors to Broadcast Ephemeris
  - Backup for all critical real-time service components
Global Ntrip Network – 2007
EUREF RT network – 2009
### IGS-RT PP – Current Performance

#### Example of Daily Comparison Statistics (May 14 2009)

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\(^1\)The GMV solution is a 1-2 hour prediction and is not used in the combination
IGS-RT PP – Solution Performance History

Daily RMS Clock Differences from IGS Rapids

Days Since 31 December 2007
Daily Sigma Clock Differences from IGS Rapids

Days Since 31 December 2008

Sigma Clock Difference (ns)

- igt
- oet
- e2t
- emt
- dlt
- rtw
- rtm
- rt2
IGS-RT PP – Solution Performance History

Daily Typical RMS Orbit Differences from IGS Rapids

Days Since 31 December 2008

RMS orbit difference (mm)
Availability of satellite clocks

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Real-time track PRN R22, 090524, Red: lt. 4 stations, Orange: GPS only
RT dissemination strategy

- RT streaming mainly using www.igs-ip.net and www.euref-ip.net (and caster at GA)
- Data volume (up-, download) in MB

Serverhousing: monthly traffic in MB at BKG’s broadcasters
RT dissemination strategy

Dissemination concept

Reference stations

Top level caster

Relay caster

Relay caster
RT dissemination strategy

Ntrip broadcaster operation requirements
- Number of simultaneous incoming streams: 100
- Number of simultaneous outgoing streams: 1000
- Mean bandwidth per stream: 2500 bits per sec
- Total incoming plus outgoing stream bandwidth: 3Mbits per sec
- Total stream volume per month: 1 TB
- Availability of the broadcaster's host and Internet connection: 95+ percent
Conclusions and Outlook

- IGS-RT PP orbit & clock correction combination in PP is working
- Real-time combination and real-time dissemination of combined product as goals for the future
- Concept for improving the GNSS stream dissemination capability for EUREF and IGS ready to be distributed to the list of potential organizations