



GNSS Status and Vulnerabilities

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This Talk has Two Messages

1. GNSS are robust and growing and provide real-time UTC time and navigation in a \$10B industry
2. GNSS signals are dangerously vulnerable to both accidental and intentional interference

Sync Sources: GNSS and Atomic Clocks

- **Intro: Time and Frequency Signals**
- **GNSS**
 - System design/operation
 - Status and Future
- **GNSS Failure Modes and Vulnerabilities**
- **Conclusions & References**

*Time and Frequency Needs **Signals!***

- Signals are **Physical**
 - Accuracy and stability are no better than the physical layer
 - Data layers disrupt the T & F signals
 - Interference to the physical signal blocks access to T & F
- Time accuracy requires access to UTC through a national lab – GNSS used
- GNSS signals are vulnerable!
- Frequency Accuracy requires access to the Cs. Atomic transition

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The Family of Global Navigation Systems

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|----------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|
| •GPS | •Galileo | •GLONASS | •Beidou/Compass |
| •US | •EU | •Russia | •China |
| •(24+, Now 30) | •(27, 3? Now) | •(24, 27 Now) | •(35, 9 Now) |



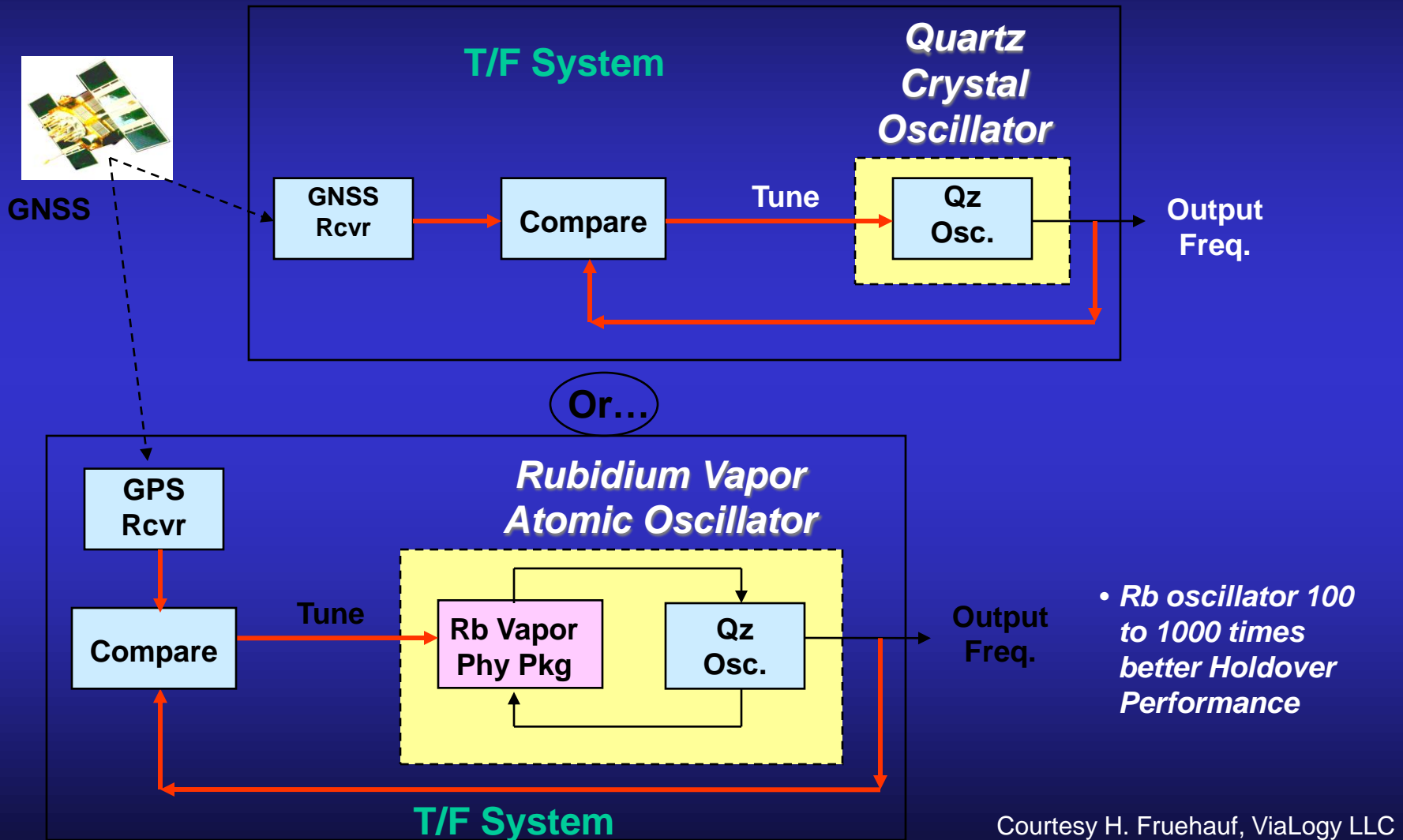
GNSS Systems: General Properties

- Position, Navigation, Timing (PNT)
- Four + synchronized timing signals from known locations in space required for navigation
- Two + frequencies measure ionosphere
- Control, Space, User Segments
- Open and Restricted Services

GNSS Systems: General Properties

- All signals are weak
 - E.g. GPS is $\sim -160\text{dBm}$
 - All are deliberately well below the noise until the process gain
- Signals are clustered in the spectrum
- Hence it is relatively easy to jam GNSS and becoming easy to spoof

GNSS-aided Time and Frequency Systems



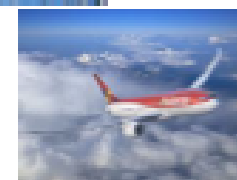
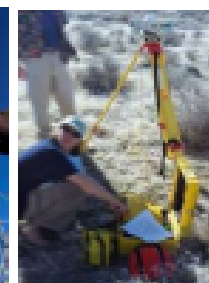
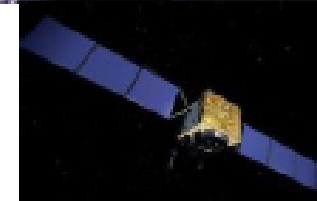
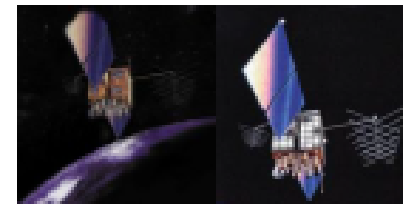
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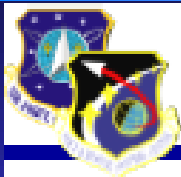
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GPS Constellation

- **Very robust constellation**
 - 30 space vehicles currently in operation
 - 10 GPS IIA, 12 GPS IIR, 7 GPS IIR-M, 1 GPS IIF
 - 4 additional satellites in residual status
 - 1 IIF satellite in test/checkout
- **Extensive International and Civil Cooperation**
 - Agreements with 53 international customers
 - 1+ billion civil/commercial users
 - Countless applications...and growing
- **Global GPS civil service performance commitment met continuously since Dec 1993**





GPS Modernization – New Civil Signals

- **Second civil signal “L2C”**

- Designed to meet commercial needs
- Available since 2005 without data message
- Phased roll-out of CNAV message
- Full capability: 24 satellites and full CNAV ~2016*



- **Third civil signal “L5”**

- Designed to meet transportation safety-of-life requirements
- Uses Aeronautical Radio Navigation Service band
- 24 satellites and full CNAV ~2020*

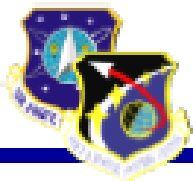
- **Fourth civil signal “L1C”**

- Designed for GNSS interoperability
- Specification developed in cooperation with industry
- Launches with GPS III in 2014
- Available on 24 SVs ~ 2026*
- Improved tracking performance



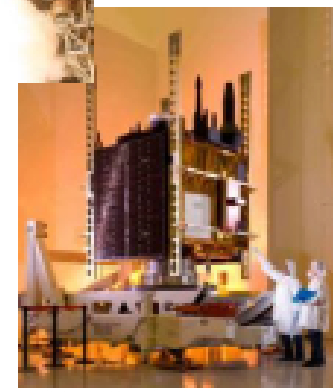
Urban Canyons

**Improved
performance in
challenged
environments**



GPS IIF Status

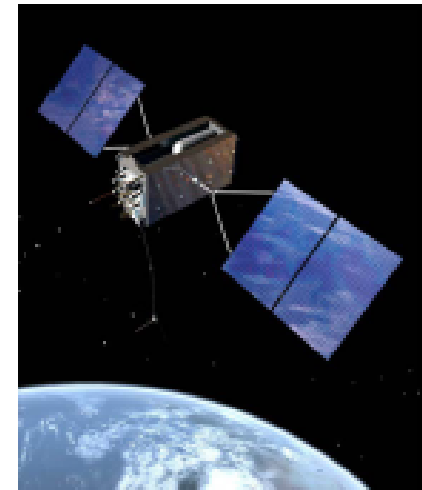
- **Launched GPS IIF-2 on 15 Jul 11**
 - SVN 63, PRN 1
 - Check out phase complete
 - Second operational L5
 - Increases the enhanced GPS clock performance coverage
- **Excellent on-orbit performance**
 - SIS URE of .30 meters (1 yr performance Jul 11)
- **10 more IIFs in the pipeline**
 - SVs 3-6 are in production
- **IIF-3 Initial Launch Capability in Feb 12**





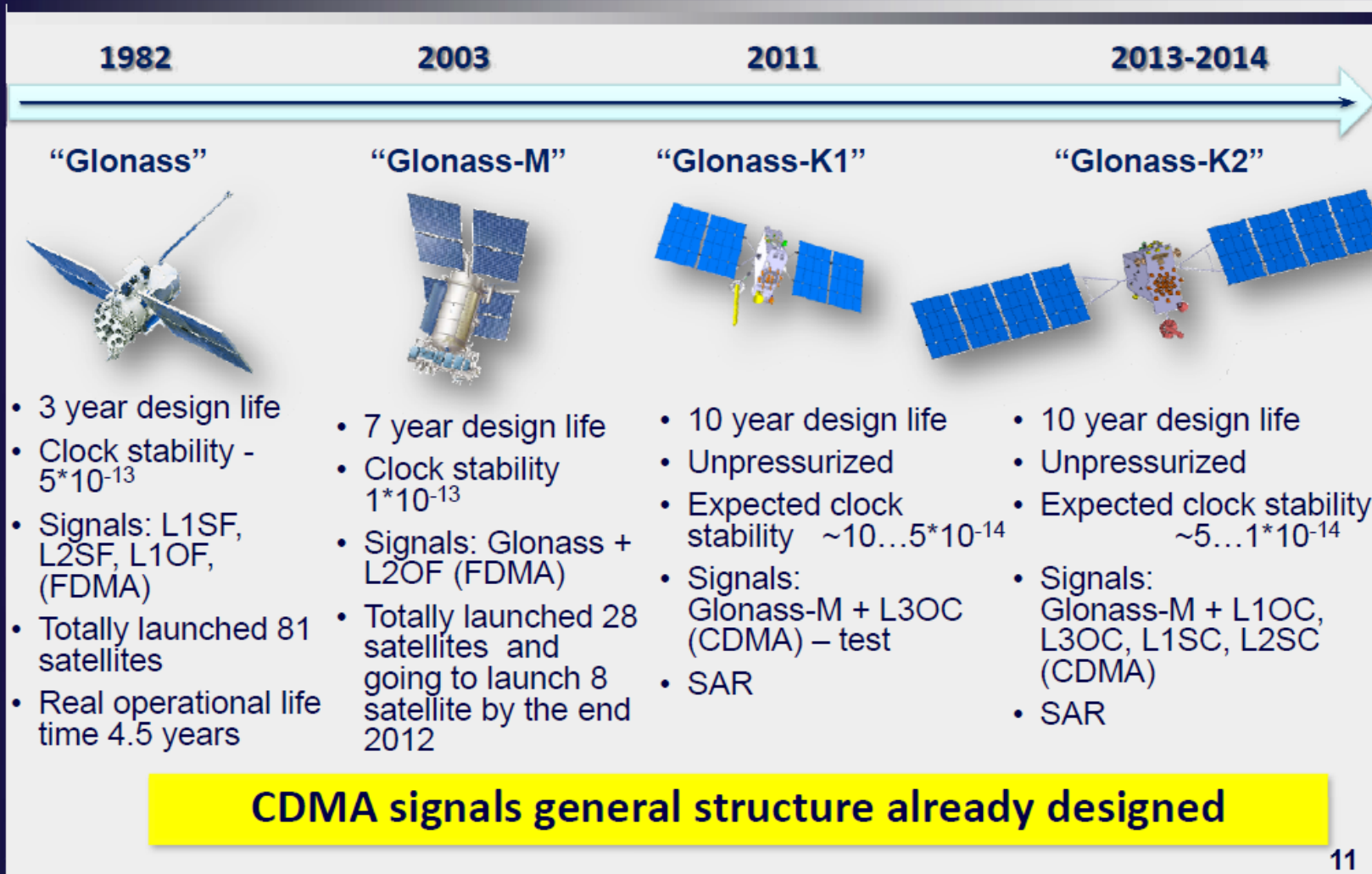
GPS III Status

- **Newest block of GPS satellites**
 - First satellite to broadcast common L1C signal
 - Multiple civil and military signals; L1 C/A, L1 P(Y), L1M, L1C, L2C, L2 P(Y), L2M, L5
 - Three Rubidium clocks
- **Completed Critical Design Review**
- **Completed Independent Program Assessment (Milestone C)**
- **Prototype and engineering unit build/test underway**
 - Completed 54 of 59 Manufacturing Readiness Reviews
 - Completed 32 of 59 Test Readiness Reviews
- **GPS Nonflight Satellite Testbed (GNST) started 1 month early**
- **Manufacturing Readiness Review initiated**
- **Completed System Design Review and initiated Capability Insertion Program for SV-9+**





GLONASS Modernization Plan

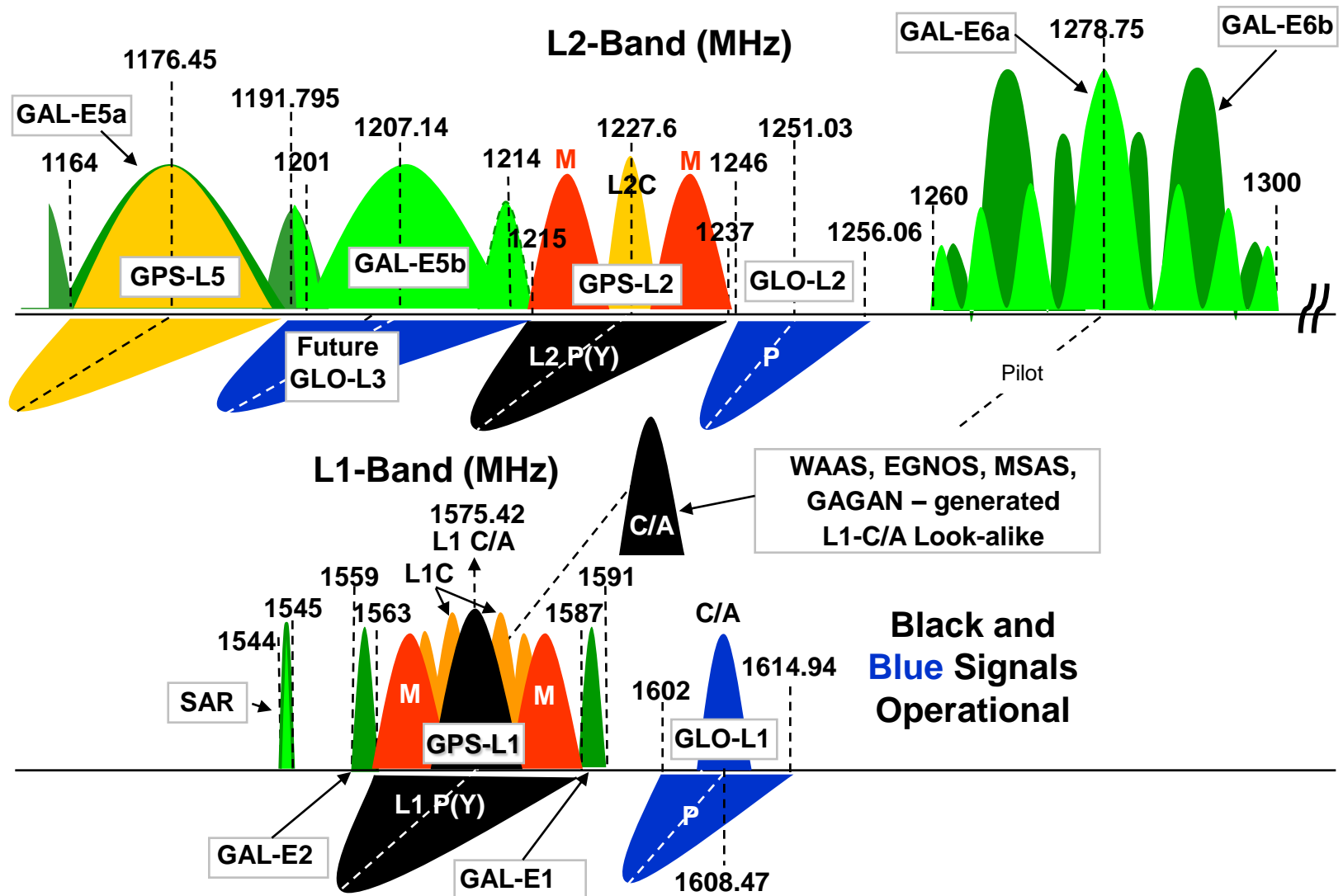


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Compass Satellites as of April 2011

Date	Satellite	Orbit	Usable	System
10/31/2000	BeiDou-1A	GEO 59°E	?	BeiDou-1
12/21/2000	BeiDou-1B	GEO 80°E	Yes	
5/25/2003	BeiDou-1C	GEO 110.5°E	Yes	
2/3/2007	BeiDou-1D	supersync orbit	No	
4/14/2007	Compass-M1	MEO ~21,500 km	Testing only	BeiDou-2 (Compass)
4/15/2009	Compass-G2	Drifting	No	
1/17/2010	Compass-G1	GEO 144.5°E	Yes	
6/2/2010	Compass-G3	GEO 84°E	Yes	
8/1/2010	Compass-IGSO1	118°E incl 55°	Yes	
11/1/2010	Compass-G4	GEO 160°E	Yes	
12/18/2010	Compass-IGSO2	118°E incl 55°	Yes	
04/10/2011	Compass-IGSO3	118°E incl 55°, 200~35,991km	Yes	
2011-07-26	Compass-IGSO4	35698 x 35871 km incl 55.2 deg long: 78 to 110 deg E		

Present & Upcoming GPS, Glonass & Galileo Signals



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Failure Modes

- GPS (GNSS) best feature and worst problem: it is extremely reliable
- Satellite failure modes can produce signals with large errors
 - Receiver Autonomous Integrity Monitoring (RAIM) should compare all satellite signals and discard errors
 - System design should compare GPS-based clock to local signals
- Receiver problems
 - Satellites set unhealthy should not be used
 - Firmware errors and wrong interpretations of specs
 - Ionosphere/troposphere models
 - Leap seconds
- Jamming: intentional and unintentional

GPS System Vulnerabilities

- Unintentional Interference
 - Radio Frequency Interference (RFI)
 - GPS Testing
 - Ionospheric; Solar Max
 - Spectrum Congestion -- LightSquared
- Intentional Interference
 - Jamming
 - Spoofing – Counterfeit Signals
 - System Damage
- Human Factors
 - User Equipment & GPS SV Design Errors
 - Over-Reliance
 - Lack of Knowledge/Training



•1 Watt
•Jammer

Factors Impacting GPS Vulnerability

- Very Low Signal Power
- Single Civil Frequency
 - Known Signal Structure
- Spectrum Competition
- Worldwide Military Applications Drive a GPS Disruption Industry
 - Jamming Techniques are Well Known
 - Devices Available, or Can be Built Easily
 - Desire for “Personal Privacy” devices

Disruption Mechanisms – Jamming

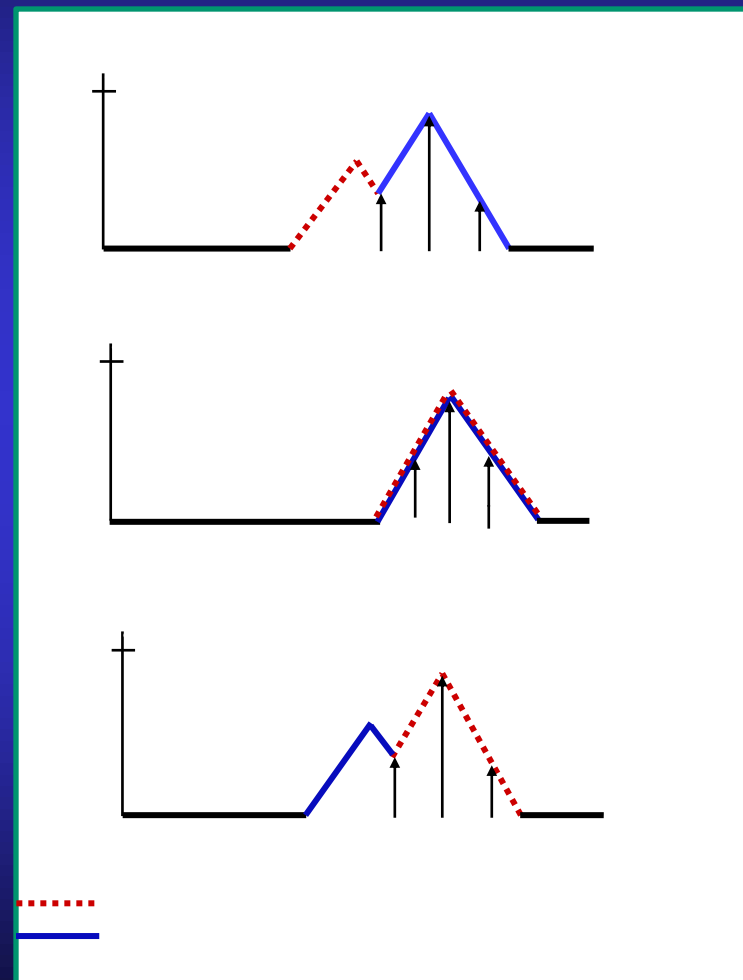
- Jamming Power Required at GPS Antenna
 - On order of a Picowatt (10^{-12} watt)
- Many Jammer Models Exist
 - Watt to MWatt Output – Worldwide Militaries
 - Lower Power (<100 watts); “Hams” Can Make
- Jamming Signal Types
 - Narrowband
 - Broadband
 - Spread Spectrum - PRN Modulation



Russian Jammer

Disruption Mechanisms - Spoofing/Meaconing

- Spoof – Counterfeit GPS Signal
 - C/A Code Short and Well Known
 - Widely Available Signal Generators
- Meaconing – Delay & Rebroadcast
- Possible Effects
 - Long Range Jamming
 - Injection of Misleading PVT Information
- No “Off-the-Shelf” Mitigation



•Successful Spoof

Civil GPS Spoofing Threat Continuum*

Simplistic

Intermediate

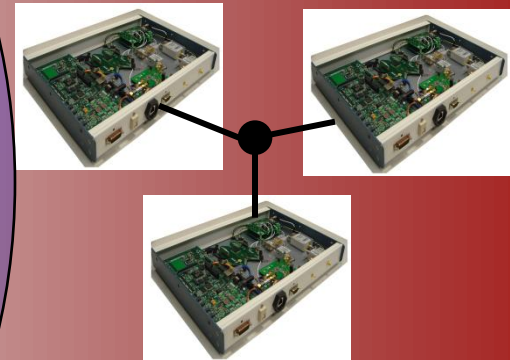
Sophisticated



Commercial signal simulator



Portable software radio



Coordinated attack by multiple phase-locked spoofers

GPS Spoofing Detection / Mitigation

- Civilian GPS signals are without authentication or encryption, making detection and mitigation more difficult
- Most mitigations involve integrity checking via multiple clocks, user-supplied position, and RF signal anomalies
- Recommend vendors add integrity checking to time/frequency servers
- Receivers should detect signal anomalies such as
 - Wrong time (compared to reference clock)
 - Suspiciously low noise
 - Excessive signal strength
 - Artificial spacing of signals
 - Limited short term jitter or variation in signal strength
 - All satellites have the same signal strength
 - High level sanity checks (e.g., no large position discontinuities)

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Conclusions

- **GNSS Now**
 - Global GPS civil service performance commitment met/exceeded continuously since Dec 93
 - Glonass operational, committed to replenish
 - Galileo, Compass with new satellites
 - Augmentation systems exist
- **GNSS Future**
 - GPS: new signals, more accuracy, yet backward compatible, more integrity information
 - New/other systems: Glonass, Galileo, Compass, QZSS
 - New services: LBS, ITS
- **GPS/GNSS vulnerabilities**
 - GNSS must not be over-relied upon
 - Receiver systems should detect anomalies
- **Many resources are available**

GNSS Resources

- U.S. Coast Guard Navigation Information Center
 - Voice Announcement ++1-703-313-5907
 - Resource Person ++1-703-313-5900
 - Web Page <http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/>
 - Civil GPS Service Interface Committee (CGSIC) – GNSS status and other info:
http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/cgsic/meetings/48thMeeting/48th_CGSIC_agenda_final.htm
- U.S. Space-Based Positioning, Navigation, and Timing Policy:
<http://pnt.gov/policy/>
- International GNSS Service (IGS)
 - <http://igscb.jpl.nasa.gov/>
- US Timing Labs
 - NIST info: <http://www.boulder.nist.gov/timefreq/index.html>
 - U.S. Naval Observatory: <http://tycho.usno.navy.mil/gpstt.html>
- GPS World: www.gpsworld.com
- Inside GNSS: www.insidegnss.com
- Institute of Navigation www.ion.org

Extra Slides

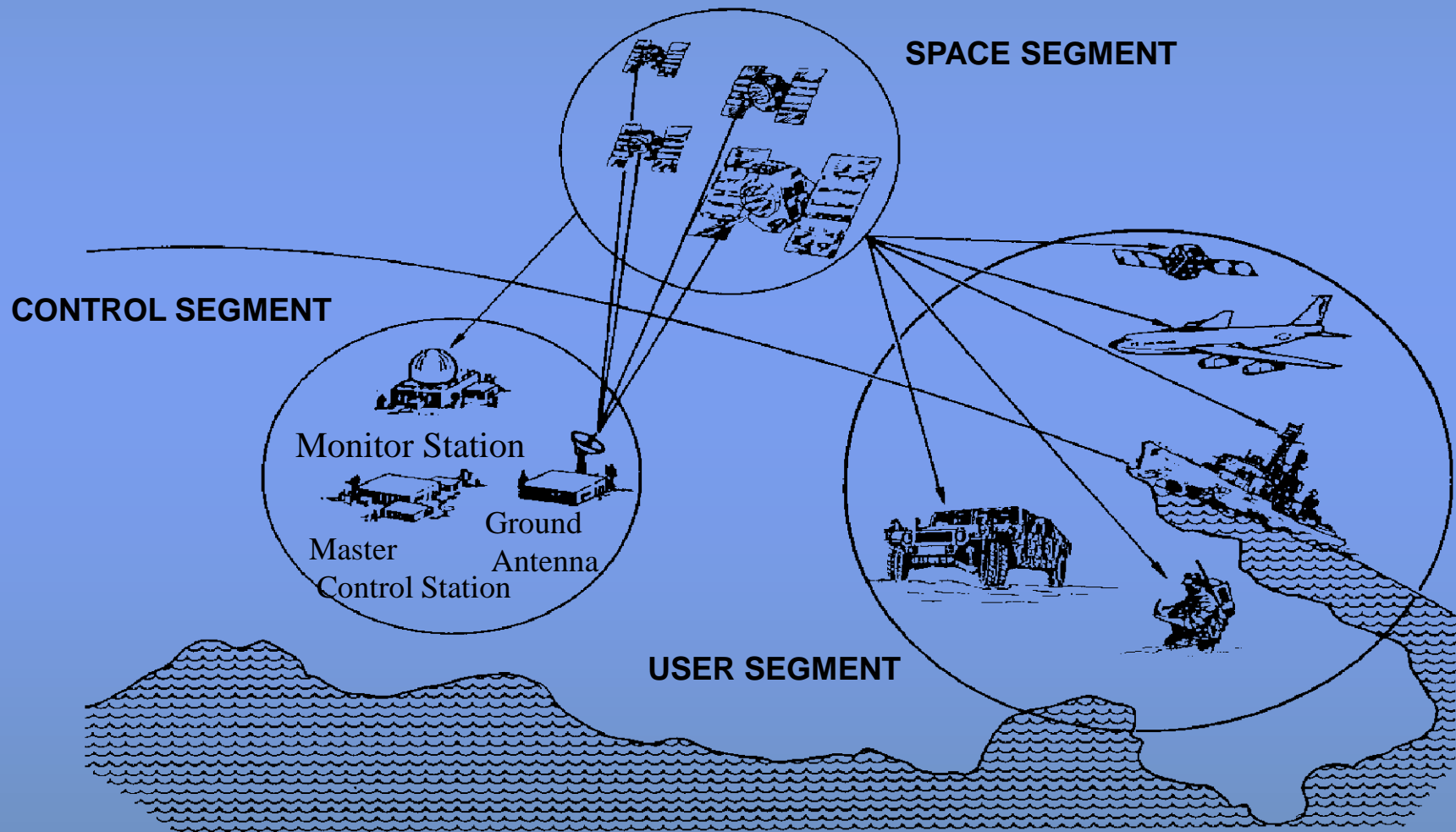
GNSS for Telecom Timing

- Antenna required
 - Top of building implies space rental, lightning issues
 - Through window gives limited visibility, sats come and go, GEOs are fixed
- Receiver needs Qu or Rb oscillator
 - Provides signal, steered to sats
 - Stability/cost trade-offs
- Telecom timing signals required
- Error/failure/attack mitigation
 - RAIM
 - Duplicate/backup timing

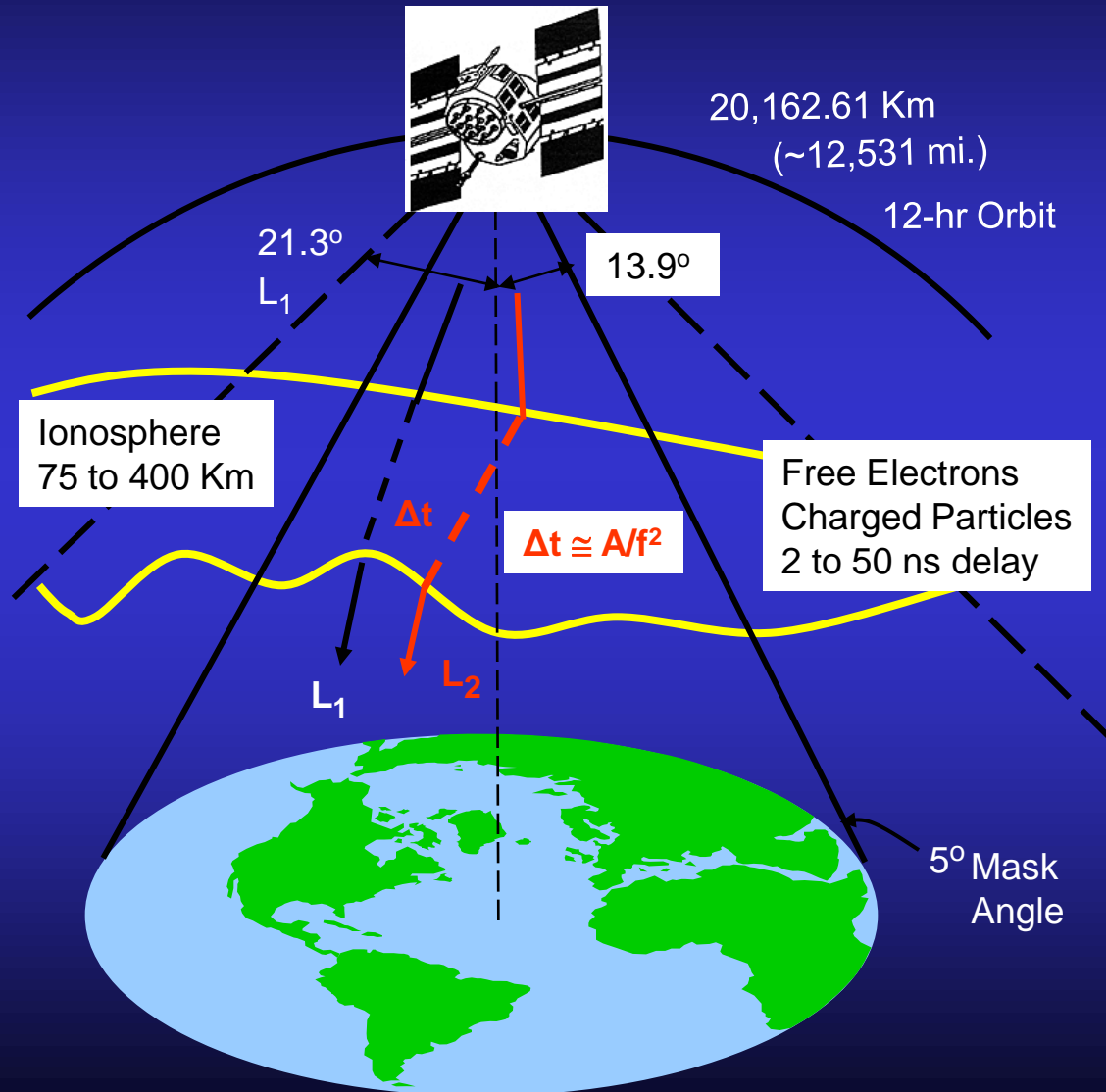
Upcoming Systems Integrating Communications and Navigation

- Location Based Services
 - Social Networking
 - Advertising
 - Emergency services
- Intelligent Transportation System
 - Provide road and traffic conditions to users
 - Send user's conditions to management systems

GPS (GNSS) System Configuration - Three Major Segments



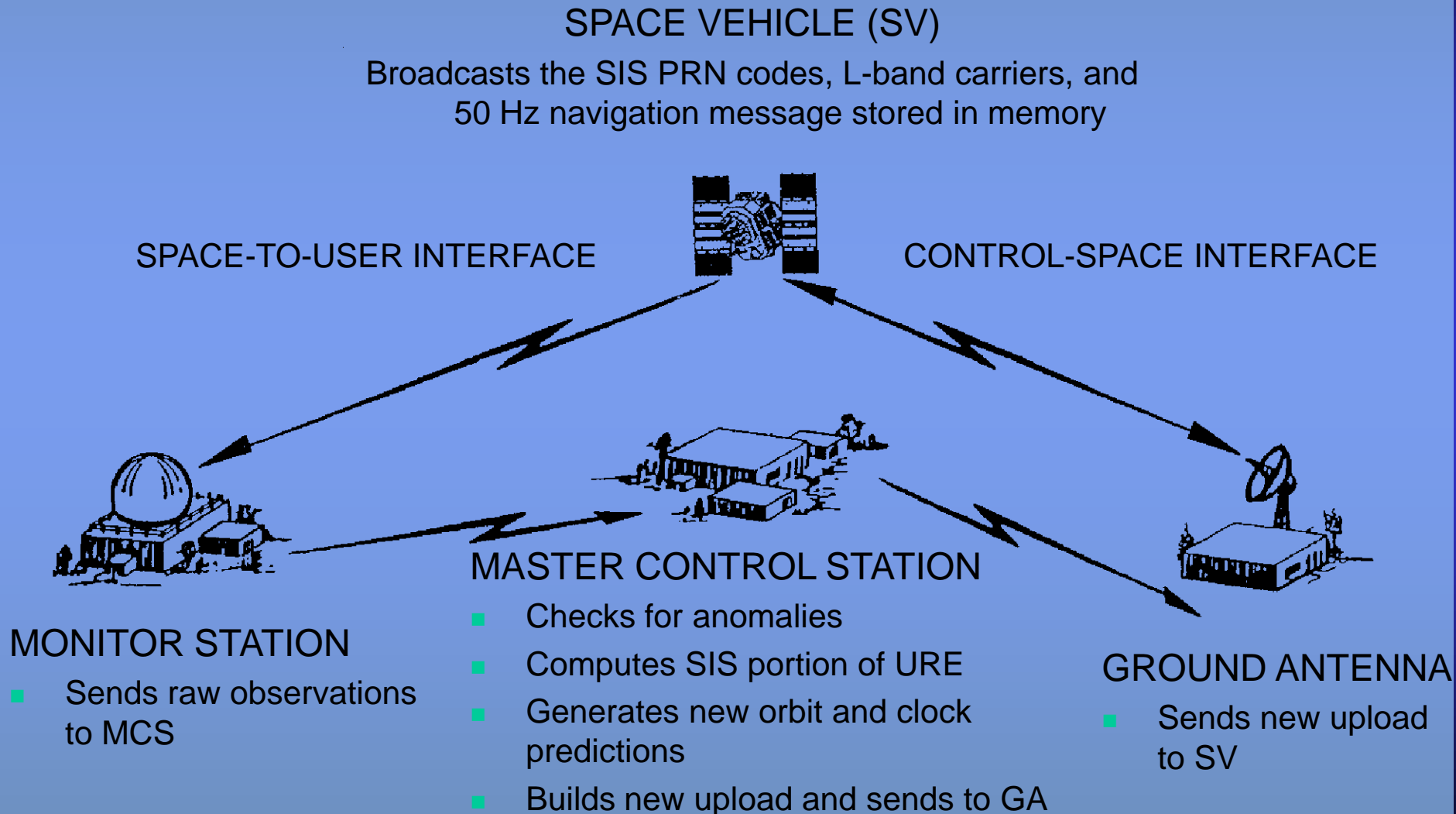
GPS Satellite Signals



- **L₁ 1575.42 MHz**
C/A-Code 1.023 Mcps,
P-Code 10.23 Mcps
Data 50 bps
- **L₂ 1227.6 MHz**
P-Code 10.23 Mcps
Data 50 bps
- **Four Satellites**
needed for
3-D navigation
- **Maximum Doppler**
Shift
between Satellites
~ ± 6KHz

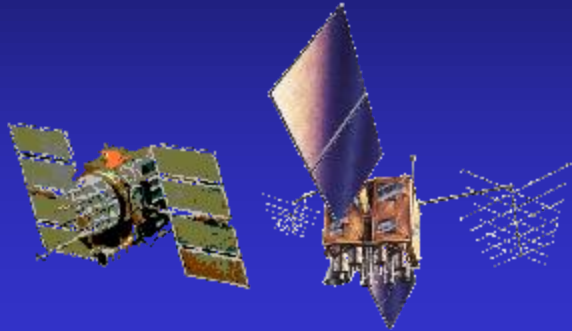
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Control Segment

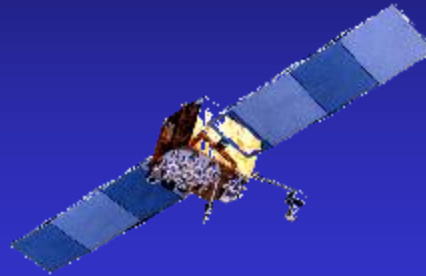


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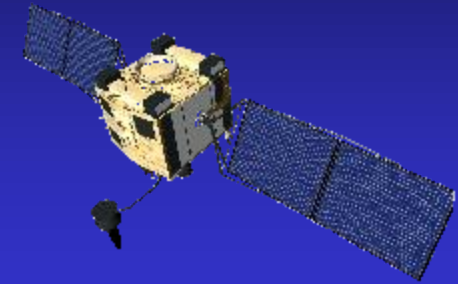
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Block IIR-M, IIF

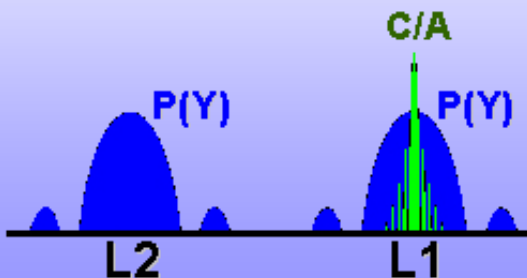


Block III



IIA / IIR: Basic GPS

- C/A civil signal (L1C/A)
- Std Service, 16-24m SEP
- Precise Service, 16m SEP
 - L1 & L2 P(Y) nav

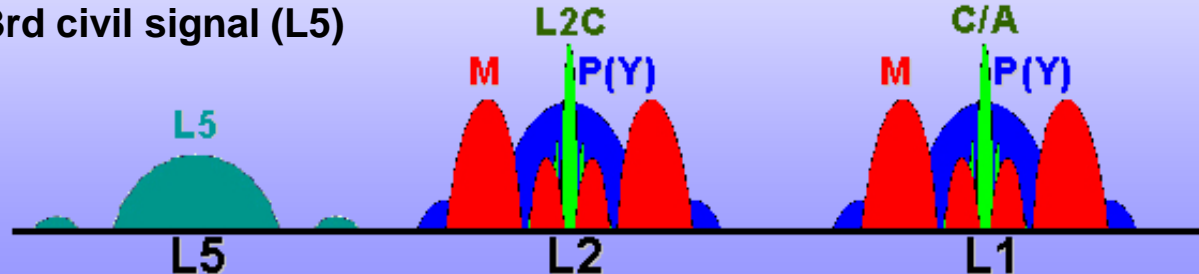


IIR-M: IIA/IIR capabilities &

- 2nd civil signal (L2C)
- New military code
- Flex A/J power (+7dB)

IIF: IIR-M capability plus

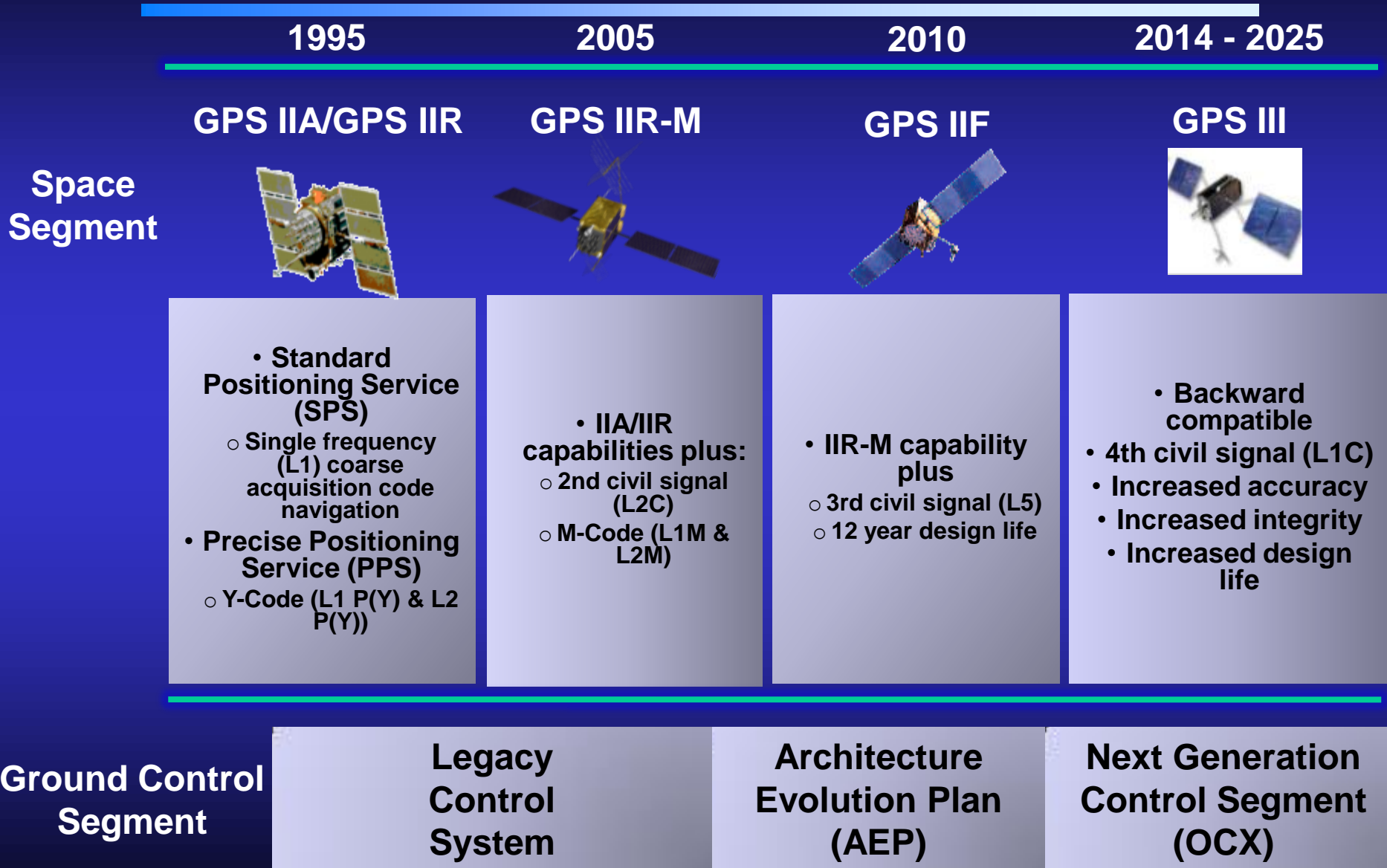
- 3rd civil signal (L5)



III: IIF capabilities &

- Improved civil signal (L1C)
- Increased accuracy (4.8-1.2m)
- Evaluating integrity improvements
- Navigation surety
 - Increased A/J power (+20 dB)

GPS Modernization Programs



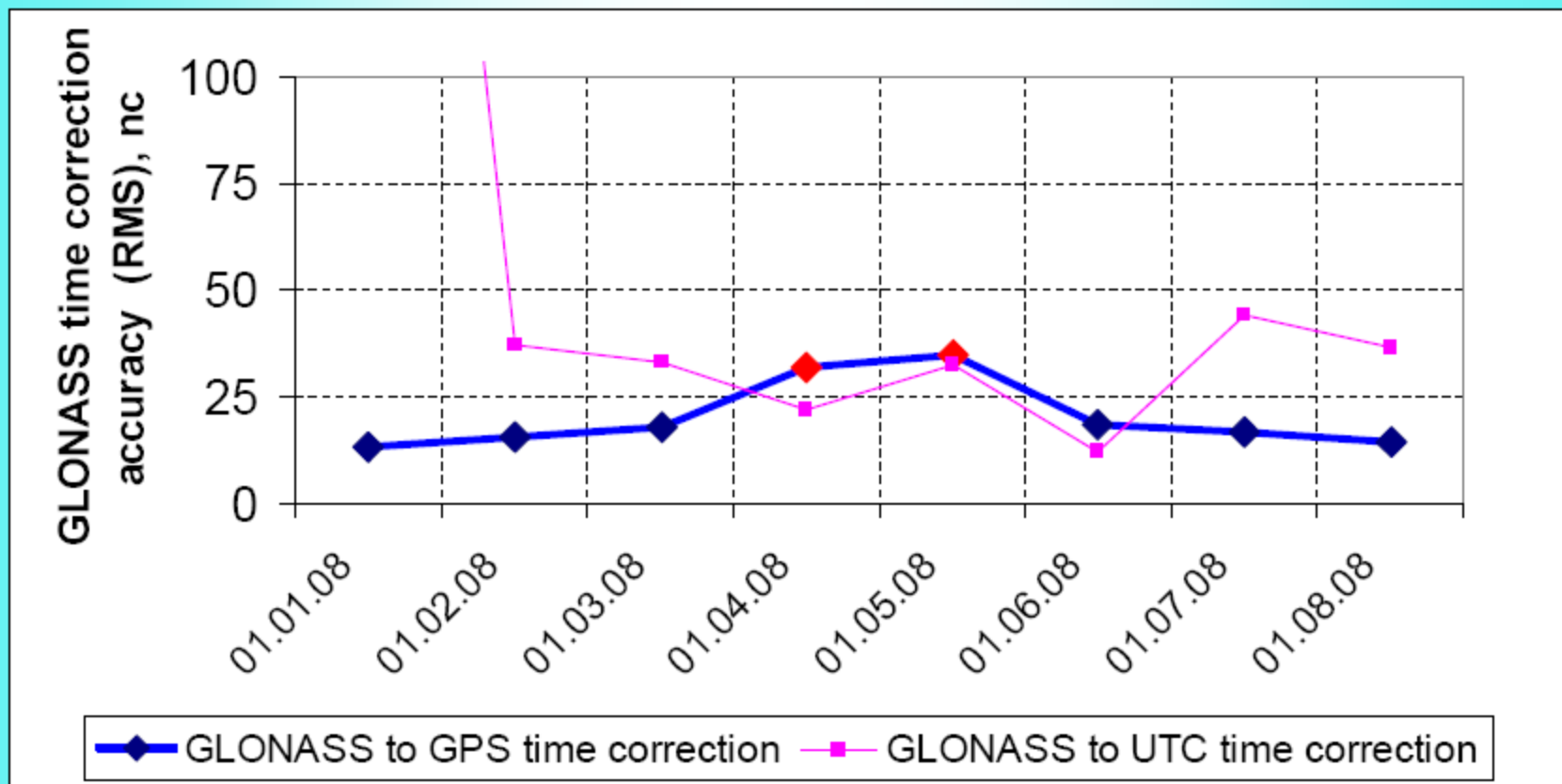
GPS III

- Concept Definition completed in 2005
- Contract issued 2008
- GPS-III (2013 ? -): New features are being considered to increase reliability and accuracy
 - Faster time to alert or correct failures (integrity)
 - More accuracy
 - More availability
 - Increased signal strength

GLONASS



GLONASS TIME



• Presented by Reshtec Co., ICG, 30 July 2009

GLONASS



Navigation satellite "Glonass-M"

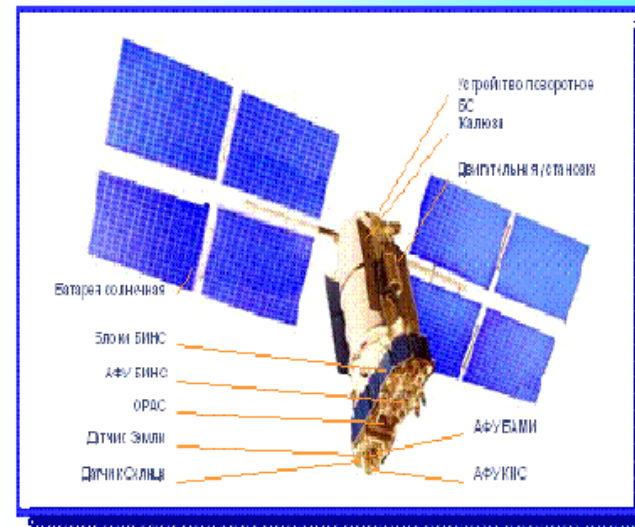


Main features

- **Guaranteed life time** 7 years;
- **Mass** 1415 kg;
- **Clock stability** $1e-13$;
- **Attitude control accuracy** 0,5 deg;
- **Level of unpropagated forces** $5e-11 \text{ m/c}^2$
- **Navigations signals:**
4 signals in L1 and L2 bands with FDMA

Main features

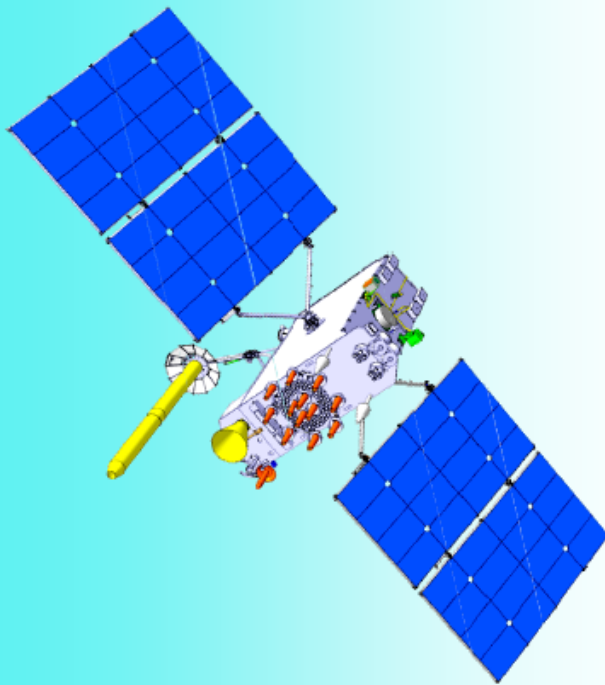
- **Extended life time**
- **Second civil signal L2**
- **Increased board clock stability**
- **Improved attitude and the solar panel pointing accuracy**
- **Improved dynamic model**
- **Using Inter Satellite Link (ISL) measurements for improvement ephemeris and clock navigation data**



GLONASS



Navigation satellite "Glonass-K"



Main features

Guaranteed life time	10 years;
Mass	995 kg;
Clock stability	1e-14;
Level of unpropagated forces	1e-11 m/c ²
Navigations signals:	
Four FDMA signals in L1 and L2 bands	
New CDMA signals in L1, L2, L3 bands	

Main features

- Extended life time;
- New CDMA navigating signals
- Improved attitude and the solar panel pointing accuracy
- Dramatically decreasing level of the unpropagated not gravity forces;
- Provides the high precision thermal control for onboard clock (0,1 ° - 0,5 ° C);
- Additional suffering disaster payload (Cospas-Sarsat)

GLONASS



The direction of GLONASS navigation signals modernization

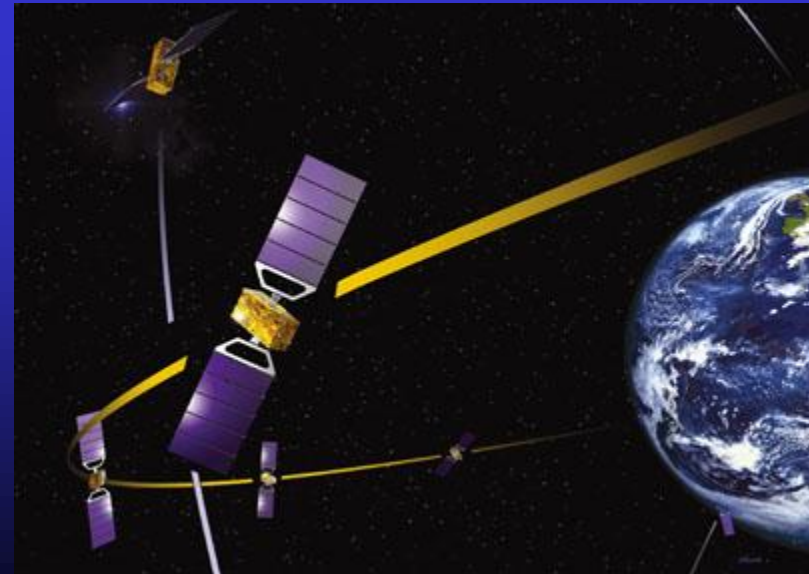


- Introduction of new CDMA signals
- Provide better potential accuracy for pseudorange and phase measurements
- Provide a better interference and multipath resistance of GLONASS signals
- Provide of greater interoperability with GPS and future GALILEO and other GNSS

GALILEO



- Galileo will be Europe's own global navigation satellite system
- It will be interoperable with GPS and GLONASS, the two other global satellite navigation systems.
- Galileo is a joint initiative of the European Commission (EC) and the European Space Agency (ESA).
- Consists of 30 medium Earth orbit satellites, associated ground infrastructure, and regional/local augmentations.
- Will offer a basic service for free (Open Service), but will charge user fees for premium services.



The GALILEO Satellite Services

Position, Velocity and Time Services:

- **Open Service** - providing positioning, navigation and timing services, free of charge, for mass market navigation applications (future GPS SPS)
- **Commercial Service** - provides added value over the Open Service providing commercial revenue, such as dissemination of encrypted navigation related data (1 KBPS), ranging and timing for professional use - with service guarantees
- **Safety of Life Service** - Comparable with “Approach with Vertical Guidance” (APV-II) as defined in the ICAO Standards and Recommended practices (SARPs), and includes Integrity
- **Public Regulated Service** - for applications devoted to European/National security, regulated or critical applications and activities of strategic importance - Robust signal, under Member States control

Support to Search and Rescue

- Search and Rescue Service coordinated with COSPAS SARSAT

Compass/ Beidou

- China may complete a 12-satellite regional system by 2012
 - 5 in Geostationary orbits
 - 3 in Inclined Geostationary orbits
 - 4 in Middle-earth orbits
- China is currently developing COMPASS to reach Full Operational Capacity (FOC) around 2020
 - 24 MEOs
 - 3 GEOs (including 2 Beidou-1 satellites)
 - 3 IGSOs
- A draft Interface Control Document (ICD) may be available in 2010
- <http://www.insidegnss.com/node/1697>

QZSS

Proposed Orbit for QZS



period : 23 hours 56 minutes
(geosynchronous)
inclination : 43 ± 4 degrees
eccentricity : 0.075 ± 0.015
(preference for Japan)
orbital planes : 3 (spacing 120°)
central latitude : 135 ± 5 deg.E

see IS-QZSS in
http://qzss.jaxa.jp/is-qzss/index_e.html

3 satellites is needed for 24 hr service.
The 1st QZS is to be launched in 2010.

footprint in one day

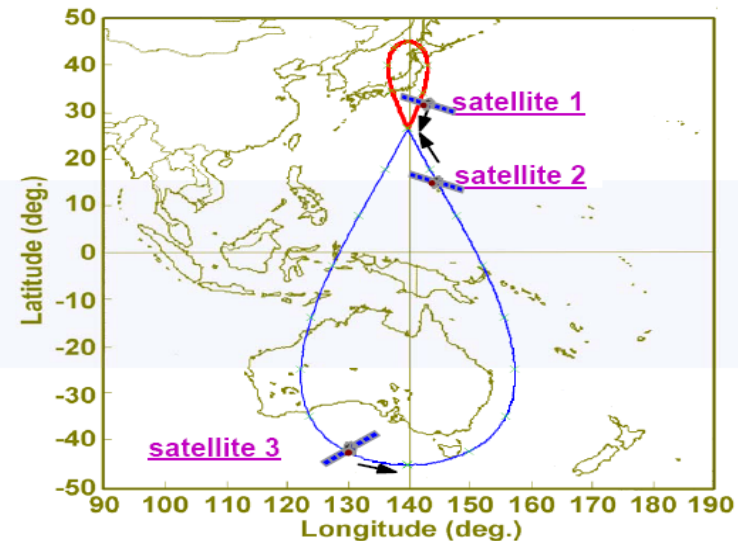


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• Presented by Shin'ichi Hama, et. Al., ION GNSS 2009

• 1st QZS launched Sep 11, 2010

Regional Satellite Navigation Systems

- ❑ Indian Regional Navigational Satellite System (IRNSS)
 - ❑ Autonomous regional satellite navigation system consisting of 7 satellites and ground segment
 - ❑ Developed by Indian Space Research Organization
- ❑ Quasi-Zenith Satellite System (QZSS) – Japan
 - ❑ Will provide an augmentation service which, when used in conjunction with GPS, GLONASS or Galileo, will provide enhanced navigation in the Far East
 - ❑ Consists of three satellites in highly elliptical orbits - satellites dwell at high elevations in the sky allowing enhanced coverage in urban canyons.

Satellite-Based Augmentation Systems (SBAS)

- **Wide Area Augmentation System (WAAS)**
 - Commissioned in 2003 and operated by the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), to enable aircraft navigation in the U.S. National Airspace System (NAS)
- **European Geostationary Navigation Overlay System (EGNOS)**
 - Three geostationary satellites and a network of ground stations
 - Augments the US GPS satellite navigation system in Europe
- **Japan's Multifunction-Transport-Satellite Satellite Augmentation System (MSAS)**
 - MSAS for aviation use was commissioned in 2007
- **India's GPS and Geo-Augmented Navigation System (GAGAN) (operational in 2011)**
- **Russian System of Differential Corrections and Monitoring (SDCM) (operational in 2011)**

Other GPS Augmentations

- **Nationwide Differential GPS System (NDGPS):**
 - Ground-based augmentation system of ~80 sites operated by the U.S. Coast Guard, Federal Railroad Administration, and Federal Highway Administration, to provide increased accuracy and integrity to U.S. users on land and water.
- **Local Area Augmentation System (LAAS):**
 - Augmentation to GPS that focuses its service on the airport area (approximately a 20-30 mile radius)
 - Broadcasts correction message via a very high frequency (VHF) radio data link from a ground-based transmitter
 - LAAS is a US activity led by the FAA, but other nations are developing their own ground based augmentation system projects
- **NASA Global Differential GPS (GDGPS) System:**
 - GDGPS is a commercial high accuracy (~ 10cm) GPS augmentation system, developed by the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) to support real-time positioning, timing, and orbit determination requirements.

GNSS Interoperability Issues

- Coordinate System
 - GPS and Galileo plan on using the same system: ITRF
 - Glonass uses a slightly different system
- Time Scale
 - GPS and Galileo have agreed to transmit the GPS/Galileo Time Offset (GGTO)
 - Goal: an objective of **three nanoseconds** (one meter) accuracy for the GGTO message has been accepted
 - Glonass uses a different time scale, though known relationships are kept within bounds
- Signal Compatibility
 - Generally all systems can be received by the same system

GNSS Signals Are Vulnerable to Jamming

- Signals can be easily jammed
- Several incidents of accidental jamming
- Most telecom receivers can go into holdover for at least a week with few ill effects
- Wireless base-stations can be affected adversely