

# Tutorial 2

## Model components analysis

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# Introduction

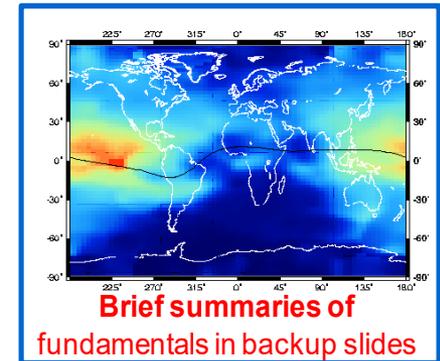
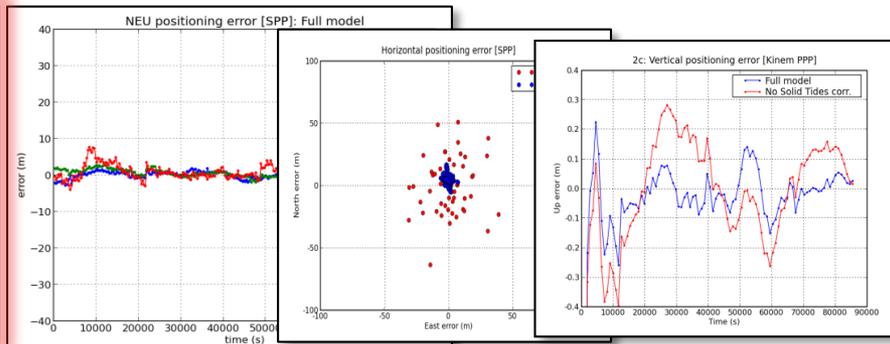
- This practical lecture is devoted to analyze and assess different issues associated with Standard and Precise Point Positioning with GPS data.
- The laboratory exercises will be developed with actual GPS measurements, and processed with the ESA/UPC GNSS-Lab Tool suite (gLAB), which is an interactive software package for GNSS data processing and analysis.
- Some examples of gLAB capabilities and usage will be shown before starting the laboratory session.
- All software tools (including *gLAB*) and associated files for the laboratory session are included in the USB stick delivered to lecture attendants.
- The laboratory session will consist in a set of exercises performing a glance assessment of the different model components involved on a Standard or Precise Positioning.

# Model Components Analysis

## Exercises 1 and 2.

They consist of simple exercises to assess the model components for Standard and Precise Point Positioning.

“Background information” slides are provided, summarizing the main concepts associated with these exercises.



Brief summaries of  
fundamentals in backup slides

# Model Components Analysis

## Exercise 1: Model components analysis for SPP

- This exercise is devoted to analyze the different model components of measurements (ionosphere, troposphere, relativity, etc.). This is done both in the Signal-In-Space (SIS) and User Domains.

# Exercise 1: SPP Model components analysis

## 1. Compute SPP using files: `chpi0010.04o`, `brdc0010.04n`

Cachoeira Paulista station (in the south of Brazil:  $\lambda=-22.7^\circ$ ,  $\phi=-45.0^\circ$ ). January 1<sup>st</sup> 2004.

The image displays the gLAB v5.1.0 software interface, divided into two main panels. The left panel shows the configuration for a Single Point Positioning (SPP) model. A blue box labeled '1' highlights the 'Templates' menu where 'SPP' is selected. A green box labeled '2' highlights the 'RINEX Observation File' and 'RINEX Navigation File' fields, which are populated with 'C:\Users\gage\Desktop\gLAB\chpi0010.04o' and 'C:\Users\gage\Desktop\gLAB\brdc0010.04n' respectively. A green box labeled '3' highlights the 'Run gLAB' button. The right panel shows the 'Global Graphic Parameters' for the 'NEU Positioning Error' plot. A blue box labeled '4' highlights the plot title, and a blue box labeled '5' highlights the 'Y-min' and 'Y-max' fields set to -40 and 40. A pink box labeled '6' highlights the 'Plot' button. A pink box labeled 'gLAB.out' points to the 'Source File' field. A plot window titled 'Figure 1' shows the 'NEU Positioning Error' plot with three data series: North error (blue), East error (green), and Up error (red). The plot shows the error in meters over time (0 to 90000 seconds).

1

2

3

4

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6

gLAB.out

Set vertical range: -40, 40

NEU Positioning Error

Figure 1

NEU Positioning Error

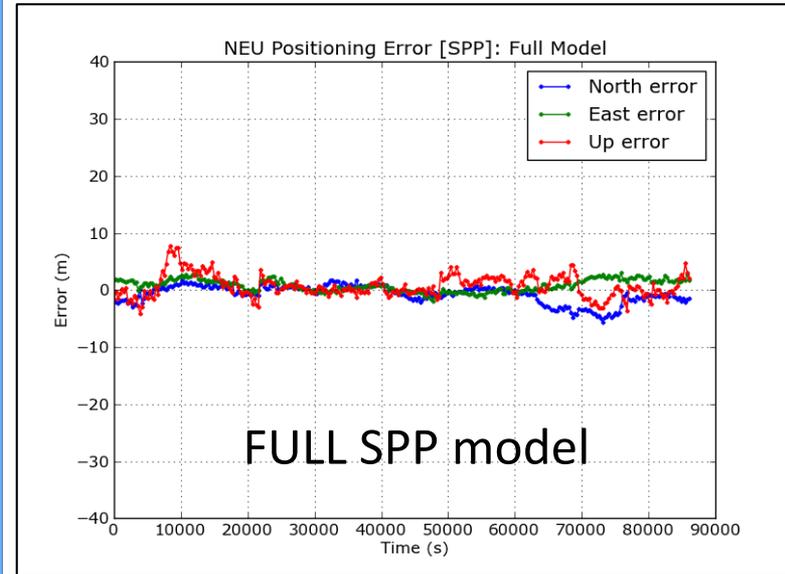
North error  
East error  
Up error

Error (m)

Time (s)

# NEU Position Error plot from gLAB.out

The screenshot shows the gLAB v5.1.0 software interface. A central box labeled "NEU plot template configuration" has arrows pointing to three plot configuration options: "Plot Nr. 1" (highlighted in blue), "Plot Nr. 2" (highlighted in green), and "Plot Nr. 3" (highlighted in red). The "Global Graph Parameters" section is visible, showing the title "NEU Positioning Error", X-axis "Time (s)", and Y-axis "Error (m)". The "Plot Nr. 1" configuration shows "Condition(s)" as "OUTPUT" and "Legend-label" as "North error".

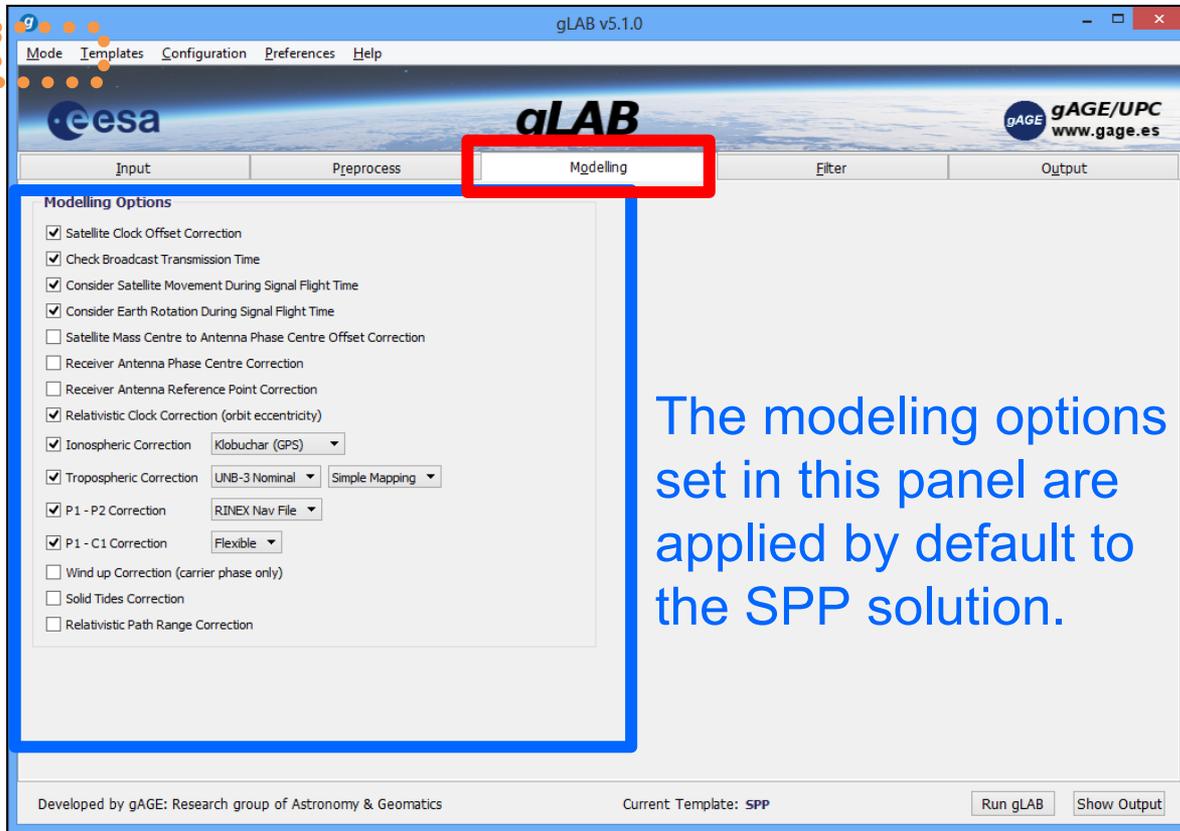


North

East

Up

# Exercise 1: SPP Model components analysis



The different model components will be analyzed with gLAB:

- Using the previous data file, the impact of neglecting each model component will be evaluated in the Range and Position domains
- A baseline example of this analysis procedure for the ionospheric correction is provided as follows.
- The same scheme must be applied for all model terms.

# Example of model component analysis: IONO.

The procedure explained here is applicable for all the cases: iono, tropo...

1. In Modeling panel, disable the model component to analyze.

(in this example: disable Ionospheric correction)

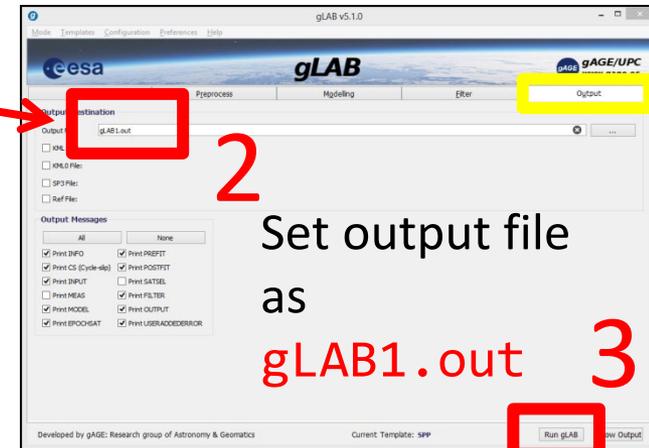
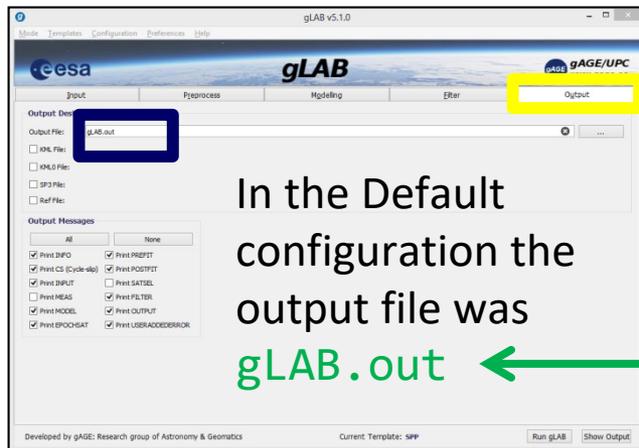
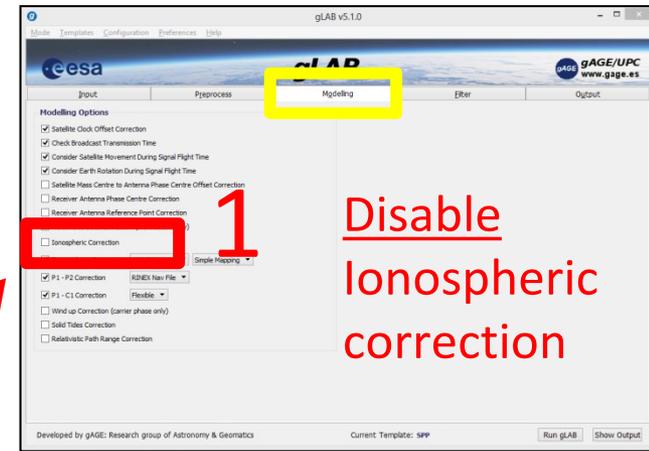
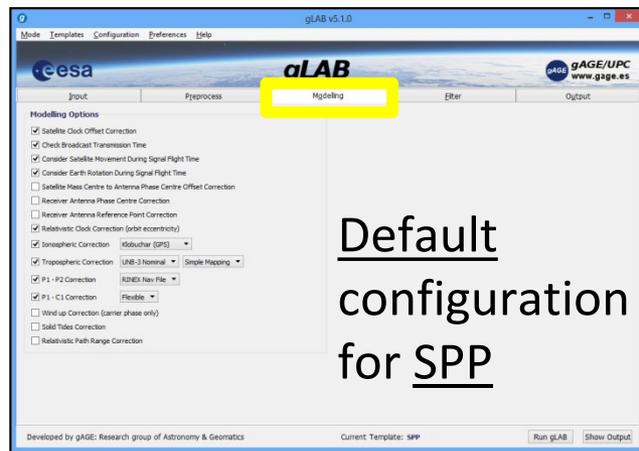
2. Save as gLAB1.out the associated output file.

Notice that the gLAB.out file contains the processing results with the FULL model, as it was set in the default configuration.

Default  
configuration  
for SPP

Disable  
Ionospheric  
correction

Set output file  
as  
gLAB1.out



# NEU Position Error plot from gLAB1.out

gLAB v5.1.0

Mode Templates Configuration Preferences Help

NEU plot template configuration

NEU Positioning Error

Horizontal Positioning Error

Dilution Of Precision

Satellite Skyplot

Model Corrections

Prefit Residuals

Posfit Residuals

Measurement Multipath/Noise

Zenith Tropospheric Delay

Ionospheric Combinations

Carrier Phase Ambiguities

Orbit and Clock Comparison

Global Graphic Parameters

Title: NEU[Error [SPP]: No Iono 01/01/2004

X-label: Time (s)

Y-label: Error (m)

Label Position: Top Right

Automatic Limits: X-min. X-max. Y-min. -40 Y-max. 40

Configuration

Plot Nr. 1 (selected)

Source File: gLAB1.out

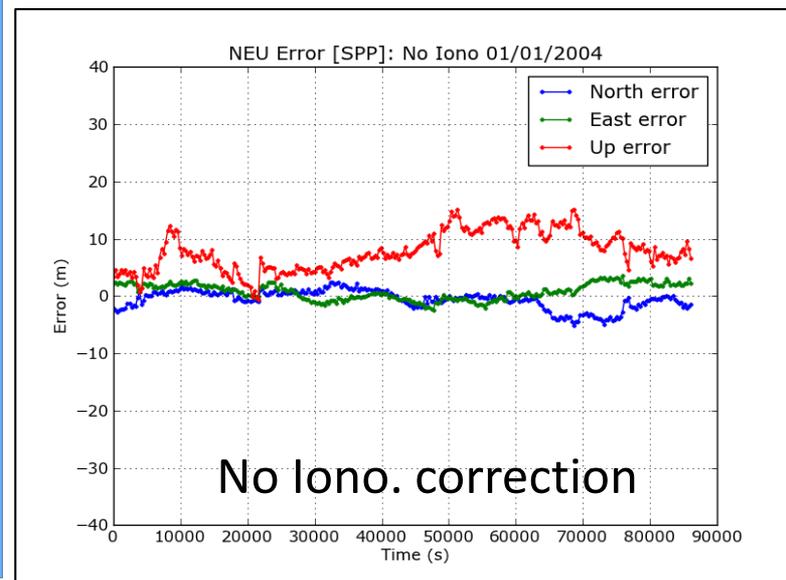
Condition(s): (S1=="OUTPUT")

X Column: SE Y Column: DSTAN

Legend-label: North error

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Current Template: SPP



North

East

Up

# Vertical Position Error plot from gLAB.out, gLAB1.out

The image displays two screenshots of the gLAB v5.1.0 software interface, illustrating the configuration for plotting Vertical Positioning Error.

**Left Screenshot (gLAB1.out):**

- 1** (Yellow box): Points to the **Clear** button in the Global Graphic Parameters section.
- 2** (Red box): Points to the **Plot Nr. 1** radio button in the Plot(s) Configuration section.
- 3** (Blue box): Points to the **gLAB1.out** source file in the Plot(s) Configuration section.
- Annotations:** A blue box labeled **OUTPUT** points to the Condition dropdown. A green box labeled **Time (sec): 4** points to the X Column value. Another green box labeled **Vertical: DSTAU: 20** points to the Y Column value.

**Right Screenshot (gLAB.out):**

- 1** (Yellow box): Points to the **Clear** button in the Global Graphic Parameters section.
- 2** (Brown box): Points to the **Y-min, Y-max** fields (Y-min: -40, Y-max: 40) in the Global Graphic Parameters section.
- 3** (Blue box): Points to the **Plot Nr. 2** radio button in the Plot(s) Configuration section.
- Annotations:** A blue box labeled **gLAB.out** points to the source file. A green box labeled **Time (sec): 4** points to the X Column value. Another green box labeled **Vertical: DSTAU: 20** points to the Y Column value.

A small plot window titled "Vertical Positioning Error (m)" is visible in the top right of the right screenshot, showing two data series: "No Ionosphere" (red line) and "Full Model" (blue line) over time (s).

# Horizontal Position Error plot: gLAB.out, gLAB1.out

gLAB v5.1.0

Mode Templates Configuration Preferences Help

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Templates

- NEU Positioning Error
- Horizontal Positioning Error
- Dilution Of Precision
- Model Components
- Zenith Tropospheric Delay
- Ionospheric Combinations

Global Graphic Parameters

Title: Horizontal positioning error [SPP]

X-label: East error (m) Y-label: North error (m)

Label Position: Top Right Fractional Text: WaterMark: Expand figure to margin:

Automatic Limits: X-min: -20 X-max: 20 Y-min: -20 Y-max: 20

Automatic Ticks:

Individual Plot(s) Configuration

Plot Nr. 1 Plot Nr. 2 Plot Nr. 3 Plot Nr. 4

Source File: gLAB.out

Condition(s): OUTPUT

X Column: DSTAE 19 Y Column: DSTAN 18

Legend-label: Full Model

Plot

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Current Template: SPP

Horizontal positioning error [SPP]

Satellite Skyplot

Measurement Multipath/Noise

Orbit and Clock Comparison

1 Click Clear to restart plots

2

3

OUTPUT

gLAB1.out

gLAB.out

East: 19

North: 18

East: DSTAE: 19

North: DSTAN: 18

# Ionospheric model component plot: gLAB.out

gLAB v5.1.0

Mode Templates Configuration Preferences Help

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Templates

- NEU Positioning Error
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- Carrier Phase Ambiguities
- Orbit and Clock Comparison

Global Graphic Parameters

Title: Model Components X-label: Time (s) Y-label: Model (m)

Label Position: Top Right Fractional Text: WaterMark: Expand figure to margin:

Automatic Limits  Automatic Ticks

Individual Plot(s) Configuration

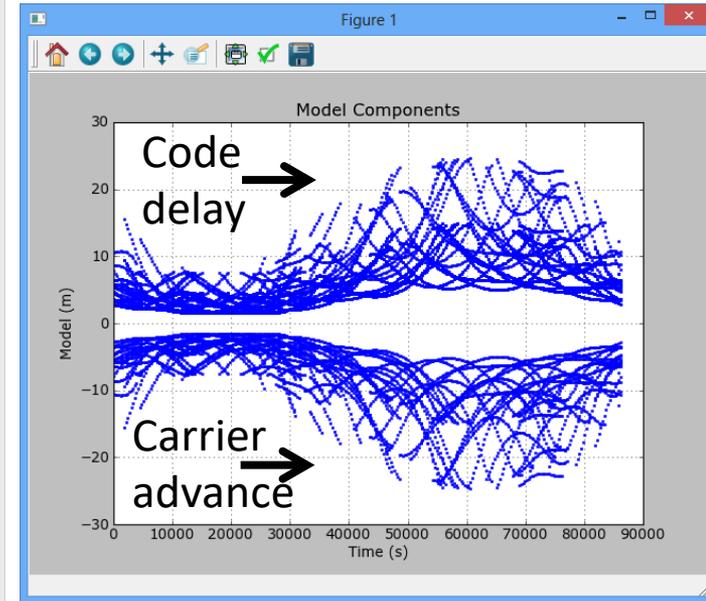
Plot Nr. 1 Plot Nr. 2 Plot Nr. 3 Plot Nr. 4

Source File: gLAB.out Dots: Blue

Condition(s): MODEL (\$1=="MODEL")

X Column: SEC 4 Y Column: IONO Legend-label:

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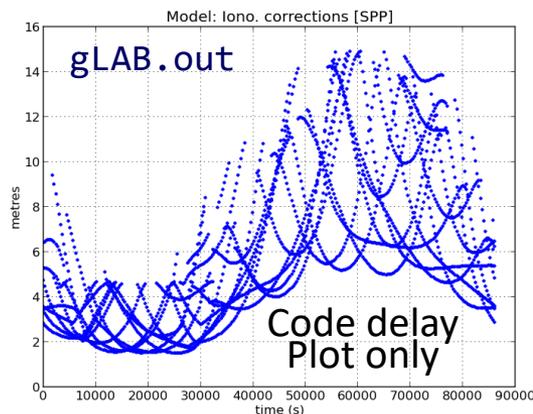
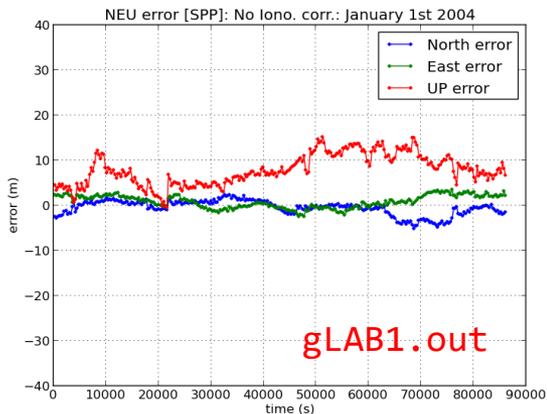
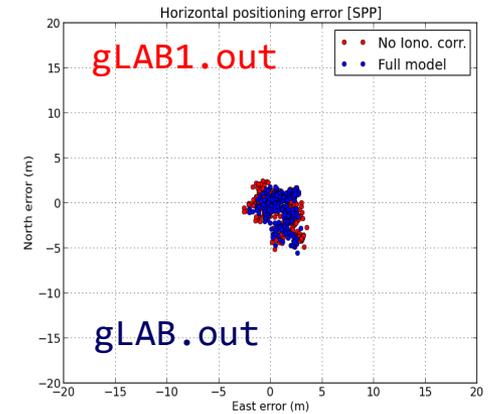
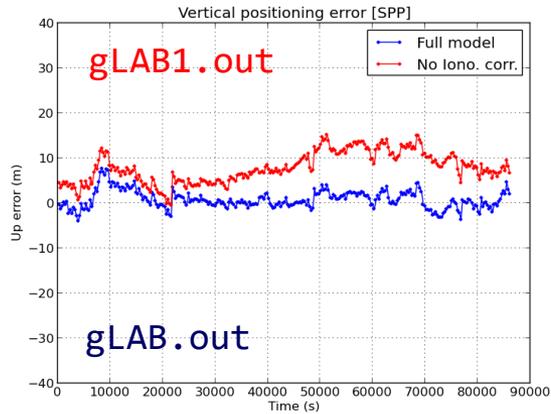
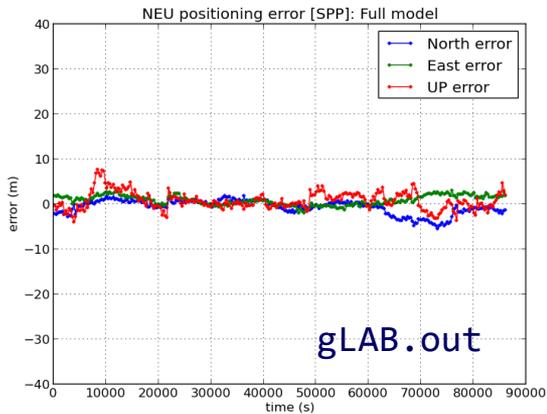


Ionosphere delays code and advances carrier measurements.

Note: Use the gLAB.out file. In gLAB1.out file this model component was switched off.

**gLAB.out**

# Summary: Iono. model component analysis



## Ionospheric correction (broadcast Klobuchar)

Ionospheric delays are larger at noon due to the higher insulation.

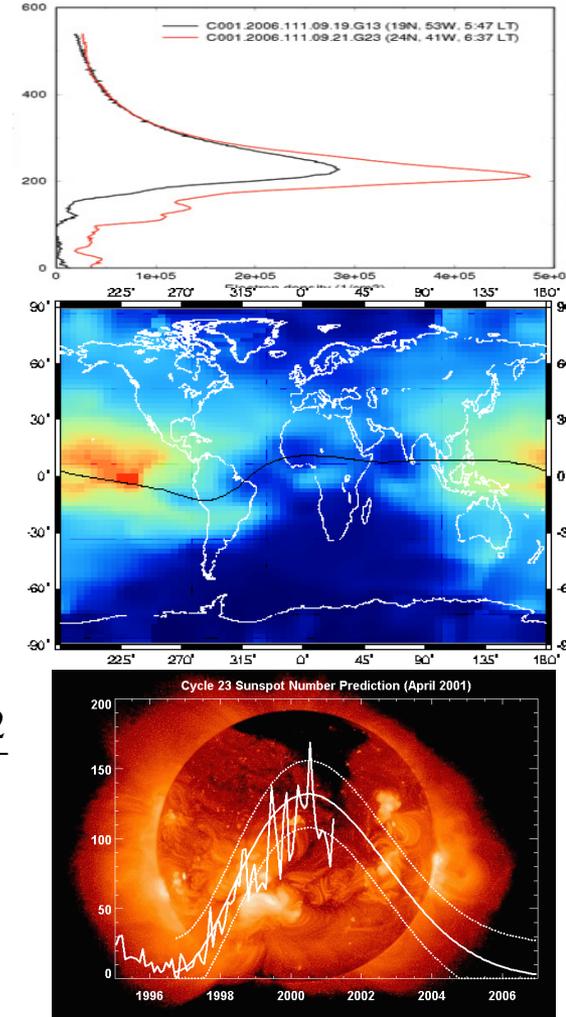
Large positioning errors (mainly in vertical) appear when neglecting iono. corr.

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## Ionospheric delay

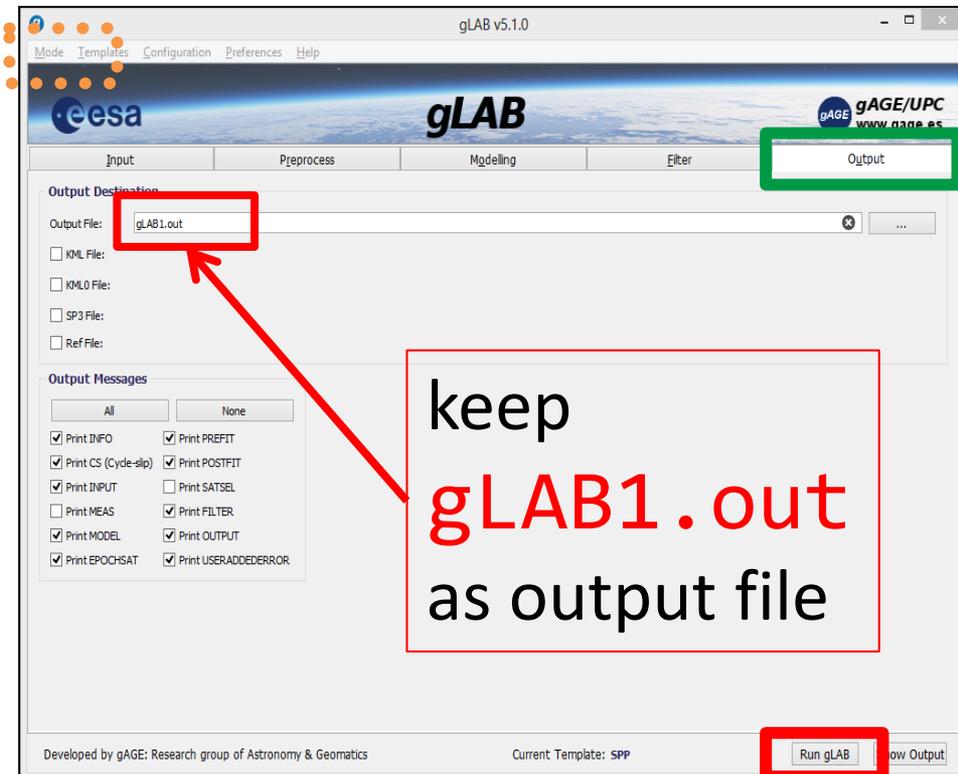
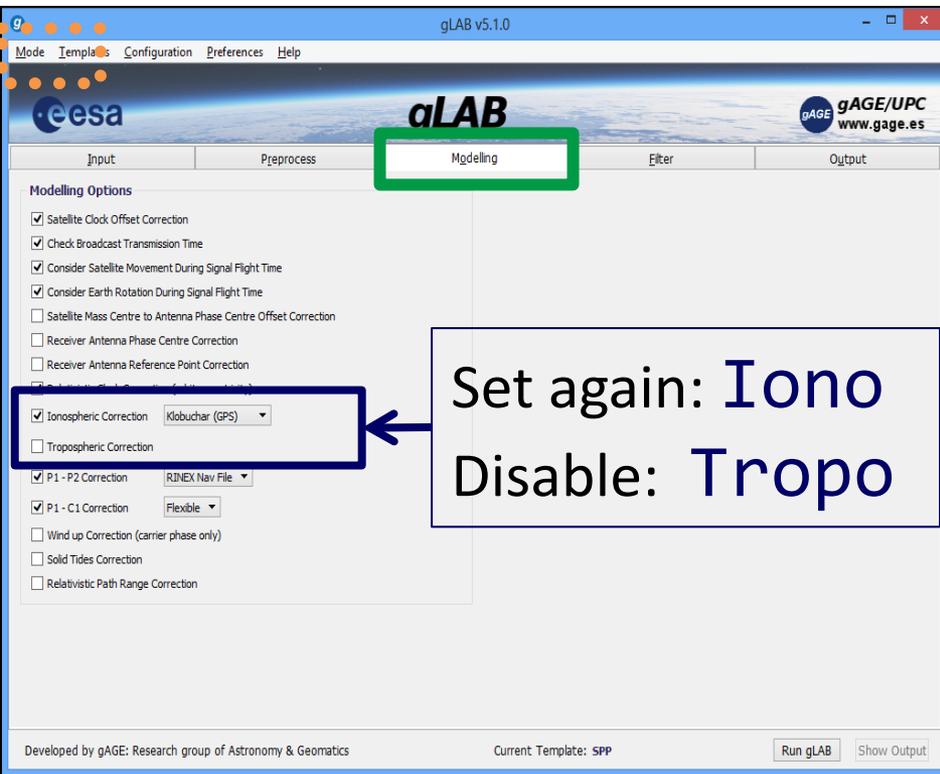
The ionosphere extends from about 60 km over the Earth surface until more than 2000 km, with a sharp electron density maximum at around 350 km. The ionospheric refraction depends, among other things, of the location, local time and solar cycle (11 years).

- First order (~99.9%) ionospheric delay  $\delta_{ion}$  depends on the inverse of squared frequency:
 
$$\delta_{ion} = \frac{40.3}{f^2} I$$
 where  $I$  is the number of electrons per area unit along ray path (STEC: Slant Total Electron Content).
 
$$I = \int N_e ds$$
- Two-frequency receivers can remove this error source (up to 99.9%) using ionosphere-free combination of pseudoranges (PC) or carriers (LC).
 
$$LC = \frac{f_1^2 L1 - f_2^2 L2}{f_1^2 - f_2^2}$$
- Single-frequency users can remove about a 50% of the ionospheric delay using the Klobuchar model, whose parameters are broadcast in the GPS navigation message.



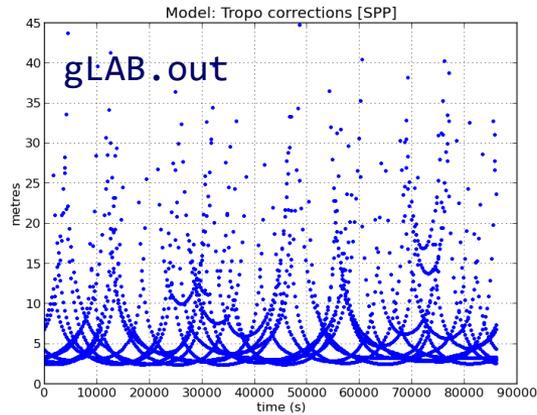
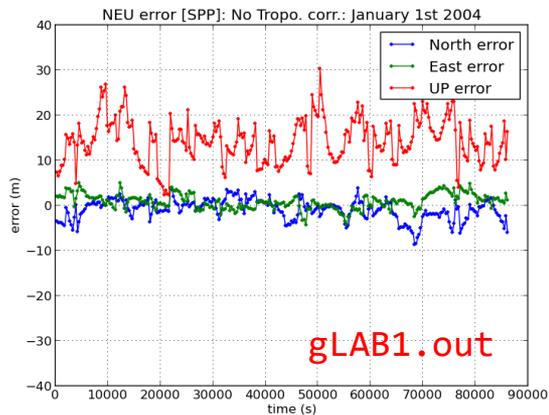
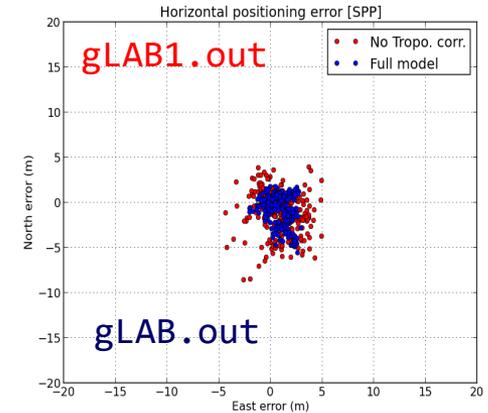
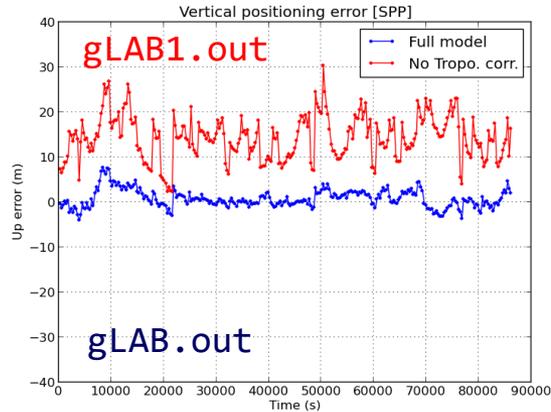
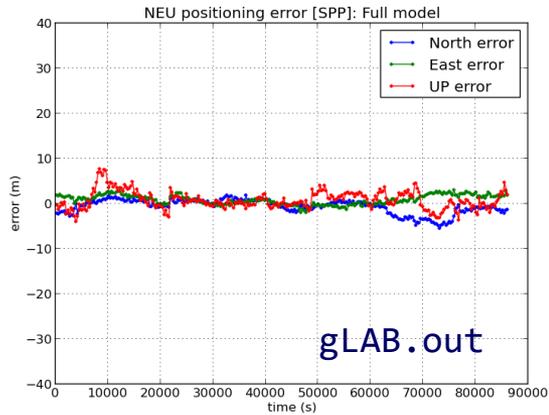
# Example of model component analysis: TROPO.

The *gLAB* configuration can be set-up as follows, to repeat the processing without applying the tropospheric correction (but using the ionosphere again!):



- The same scheme must be applied for all other model terms (TGDs, relat...)

# Exercise 1: SPP Model components analysis



## Tropospheric correction (blind model)

Tropospheric and vertical error are highly correlated. A displacement of vertical component appears when neglecting tropospheric corrections.

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## Tropospheric delay

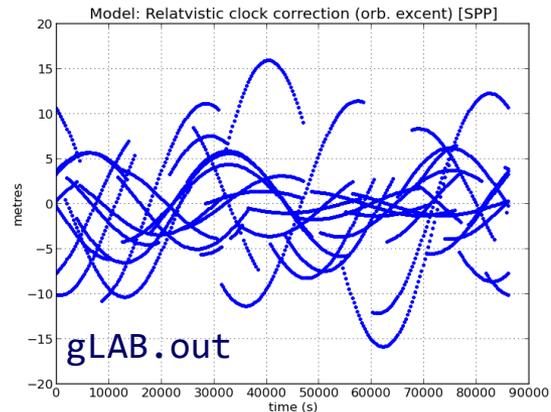
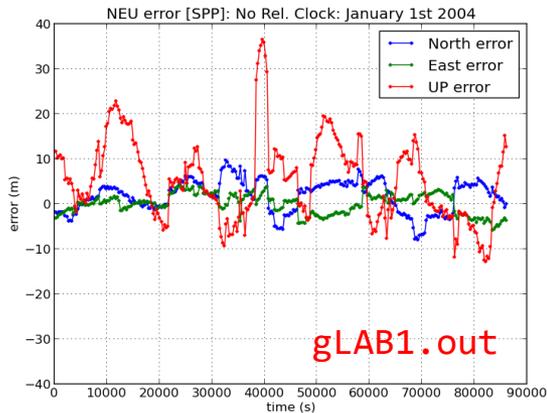
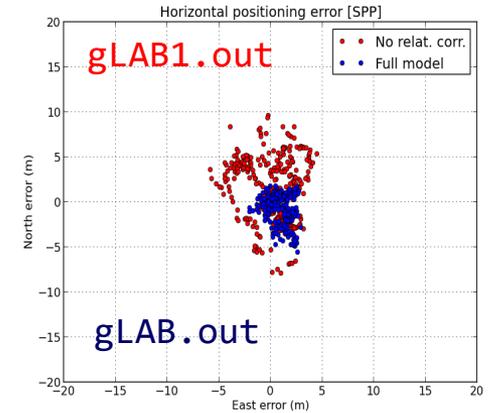
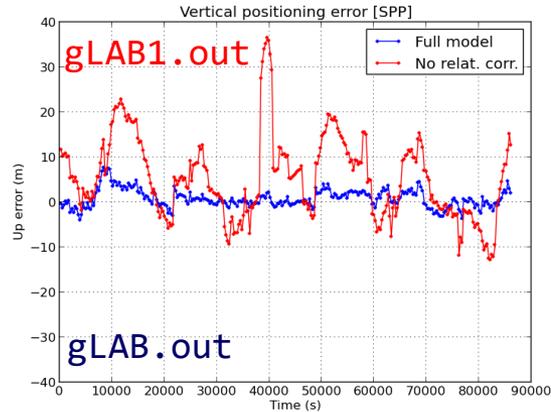
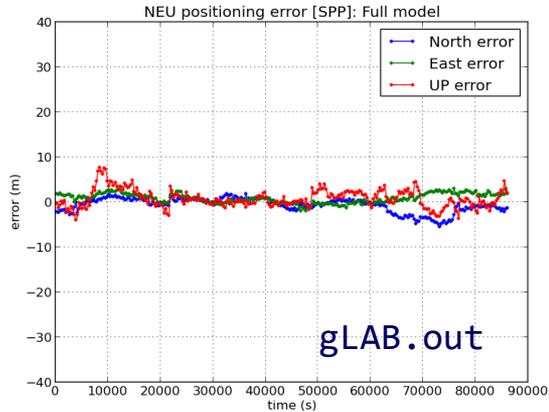
The troposphere is the atmospheric layer placed between Earth's surface and an altitude of about 60 km.

The effect of troposphere on GNSS signals appears as an extra delay in the measurement of the signal travelling from satellite to receiver.

The tropospheric delay does not depend on frequency and affects both the pseudorange (code) and carrier phases in the same way. It can be modeled by:

- An **hydrostatic component**, composed of dry gases (mainly nitrogen and oxygen) in hydrostatic equilibrium. This component can be treated as an ideal gas. Its effects vary with the temperature and atmospheric pressure in a quite predictable manner, and it is the responsible of about 90% of the delay.
- A **wet component** caused by the water vapor condensed in the form of clouds. It depends on the weather conditions and varies faster than the hydrostatic component and in a quite random way. For high accuracy positioning, this component must be estimated together with the coordinates and other parameters in the navigation filter.

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**Relativistic correction**  
on satellite clock due to  
orbit eccentricity.

This is an additional  
correction to apply at the  
receiver level. The satellite  
clock oscillator is modified  
on factory to compensate  
the main effect ( $\sim 40\mu\text{s}/\text{day}$ ).

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## Relativistic clock correction

- 1) A constant component, depending only on nominal value of satellite's orbit major semi-axis. It is corrected modifying satellite's clock oscillator frequency:

$$\frac{f_0' - f_0}{f_0} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{v}{c} \right)^2 + \frac{\Delta U}{c^2} = -4.464 \cdot 10^{-10}$$

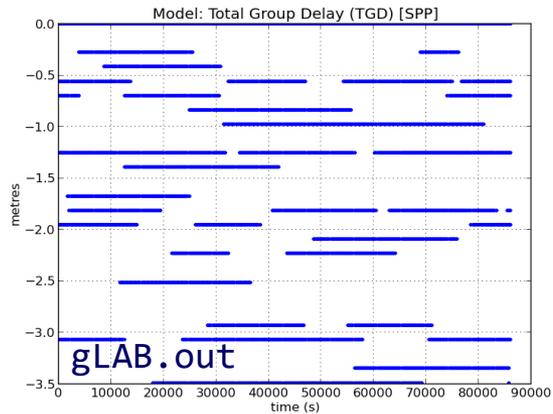
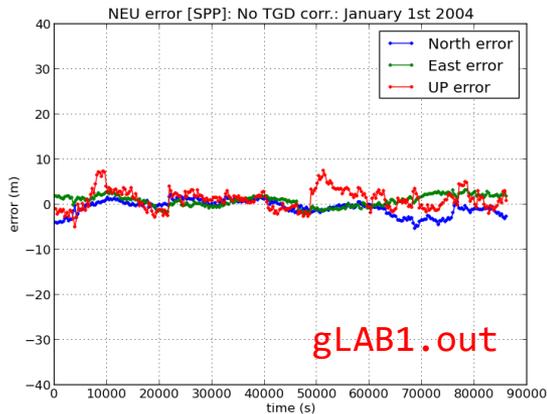
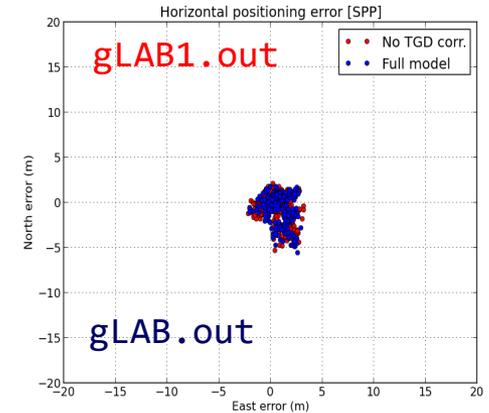
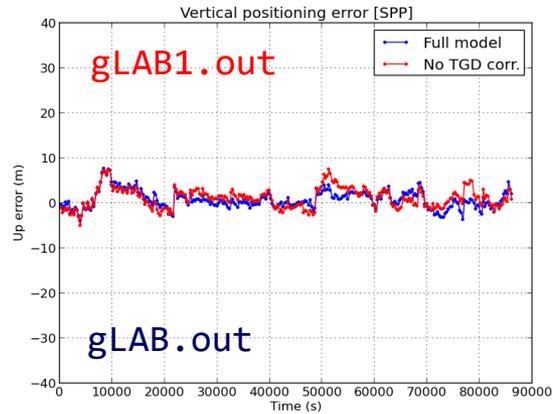
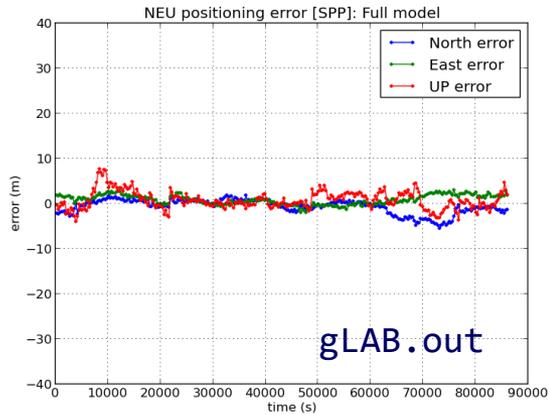
being  $f_0 = 10.23 \text{ MHz}$ , we have  $\Delta f = 4.464 \cdot 10^{-10} f_0 = 4.57 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ Hz}$ . So, satellite should use  $f_0' = 10.22999999543 \text{ MHz}$ .

- 2) A periodic component due to orbit eccentricity must be corrected by user receiver:

$$rel = -2 \frac{\sqrt{\mu a}}{c} e \sin(E) = -2 \frac{\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{c} \text{ (meters)}$$

Being  $\mu = G M_E = 3.986005 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ (m}^3/\text{s}^2)$  the gravitational constant,  $c = 299792458 \text{ (m/s)}$  light speed in vacuum,  $a$  is orbit's major semi-axis,  $e$  is its eccentricity,  $E$  is satellite's eccentric anomaly, and  $r$  and  $v$  are satellite's geocentric position and speed in an inertial system.

# Exercise 1: SPP Model components analysis



**P2-P1 Differential Code Bias**  
(Total Group Delay [TGD])  
correction.

These instrumental delays can affect up to few meters, being the satellite TGDs broadcast in the navigation message for single frequency users.

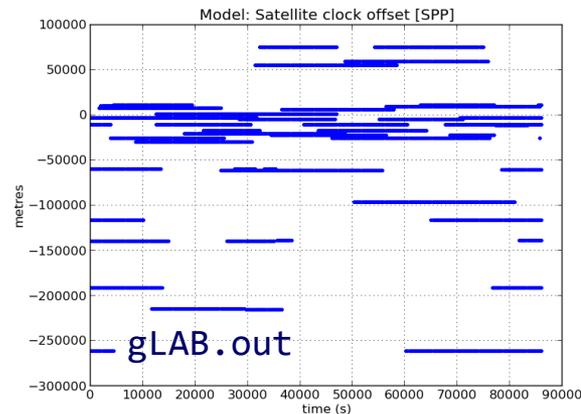
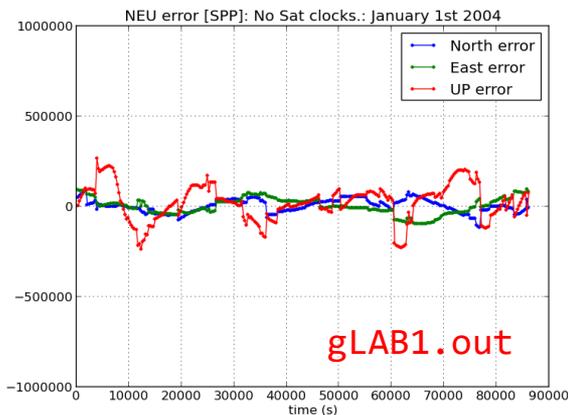
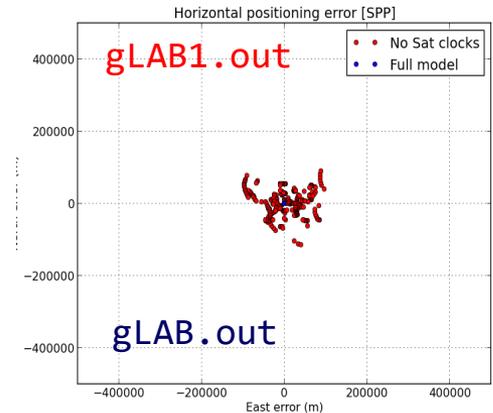
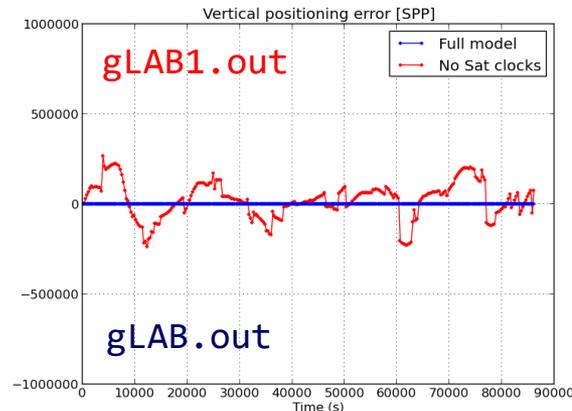
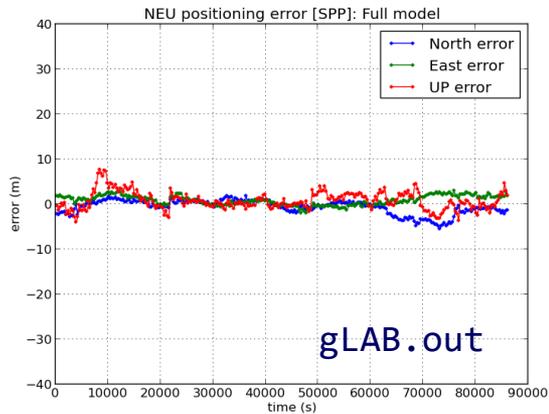
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## Total Group Delay correction (TGD)

(P2-P1 Differential Code Bias [DCB])

- Instrumental delays are associated to antennas, cables, as well as different filters used in receivers and satellites. They affect both code and carrier measurements.
- Code instrumental delays depend on the frequency and the codes used, and are different for the receiver and the satellites.
- Dual frequency users cancel such delays when using the ionosphere free combination of codes and carrier phases.
- For single frequency users, the satellite instrumental delays (TGDs) are broadcast in the navigation message. The receiver instrumental delay, on the other hand, is assimilated into the receiver clock estimation. That is, being common for all satellites, it is assumed as zero and it is included in the receiver clock offset estimation.

# Exercise 1: SPP Model components analysis



## Satellite clock offsets

This is the largest error source, and it may introduce errors up to a thousand kilometers.

# Exercise 1: SPP Model components analysis

## Satellite clock offsets

- They are time-offsets between satellite/receiver clocks time and GPS system time (provided by the ground control segment).
- The receiver clock offset is estimated together with receiver coordinates.
- Satellite clock offset values are provided:
  - In real-time, within the broadcast navigation message with a few meters of erroror,
  - In post-process mode, by IGS precise products with centimeter-level accuracy.

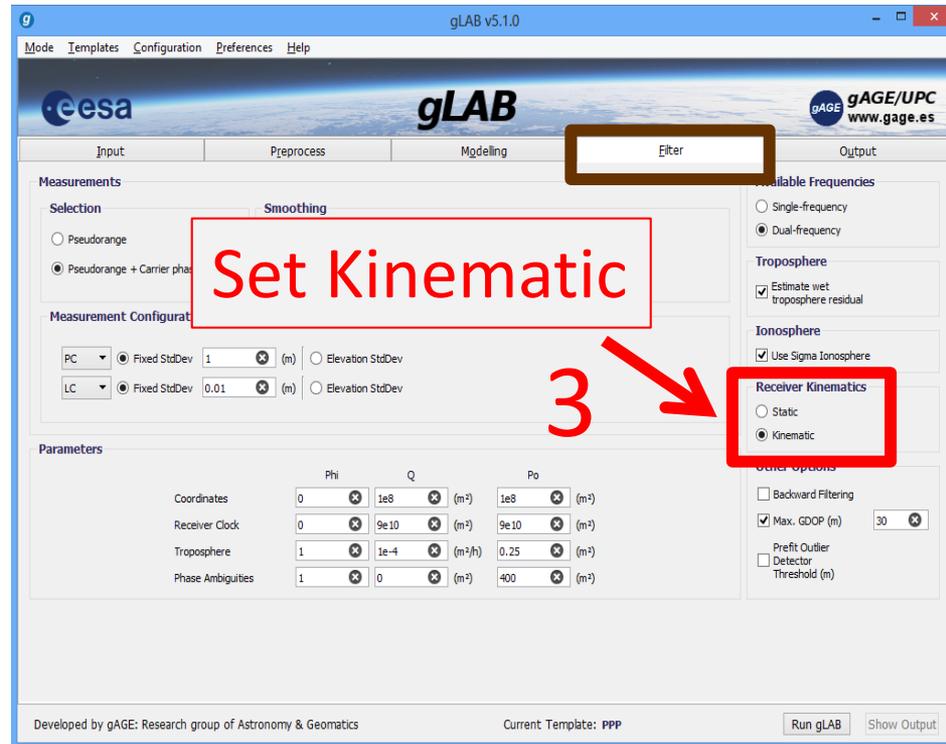
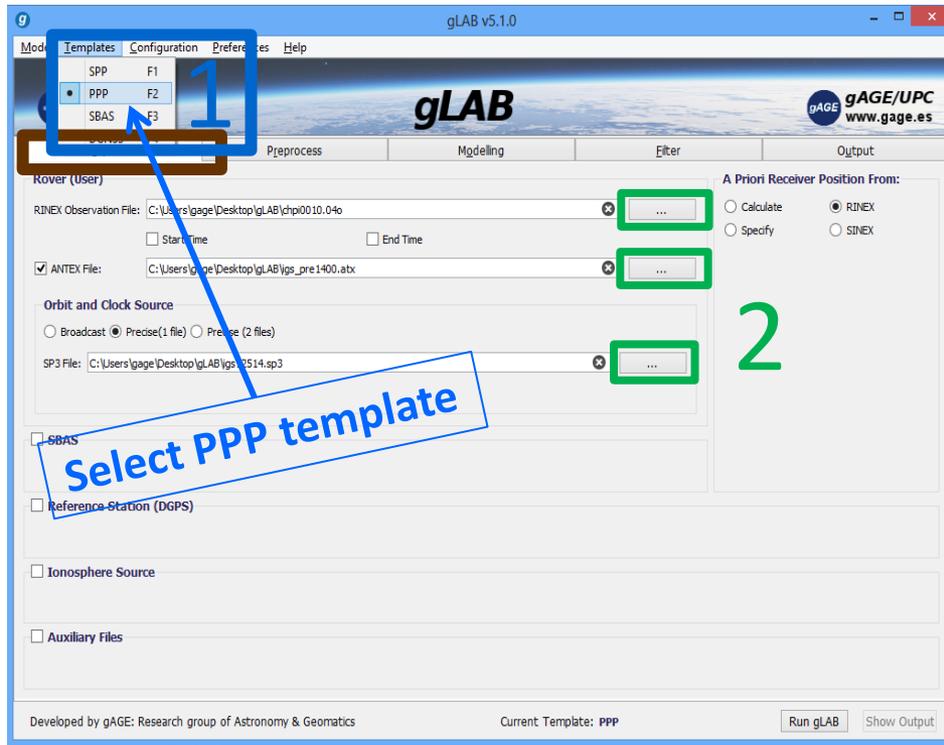
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## Exercise 2: Model components analysis for PPP

- This exercise is devoted to analyse the additional model components used in Precise Point Positioning (the ones which are not required by SPP). This is done in Range and Position Domains.

# Exercise 2: PPP Model components analysis

- Compute the **kinematic** PPP solution using files:  
`chpi0010.04o`, `igs_pre1400.atx`, `igs12514.sp3`



**Note:** The `igs_pre1400.atx` file contains the APC used by IGS before GPS week 1400.

# Exercise 2: PPP Model components analysis

Kinematic PPP solution using files `chpi0010.04o`,  
`igs_pre1400.atx`, `igs12514.sp3`

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Input Preprocess Modelling Filter Output

Output Destination

Output File: gLAB.out

KML File:  
 KML0 File:  
 SP3 File:  
 Ref File:

Output Messages

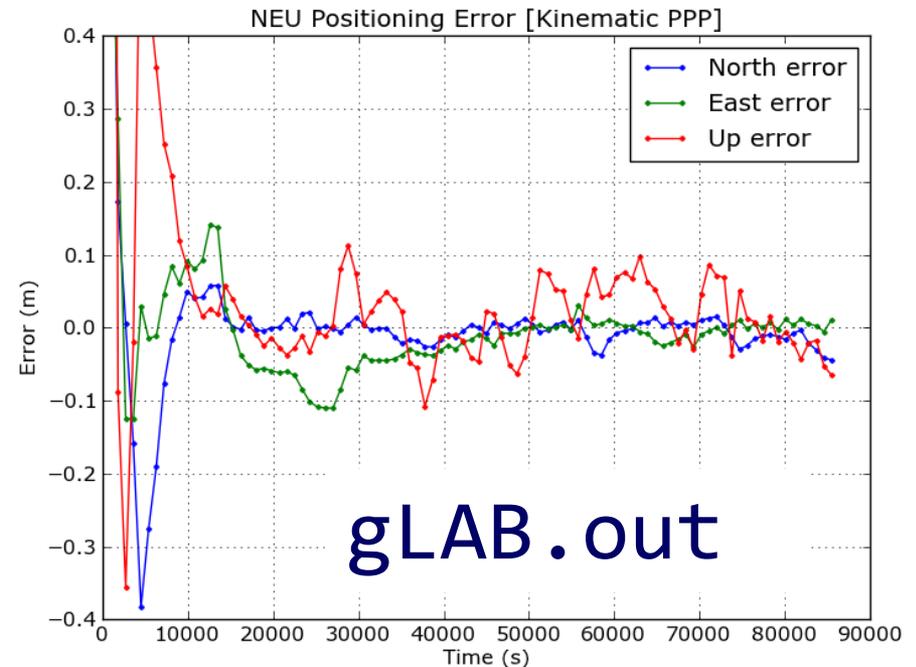
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Print INFO  Print PREFIT  
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 Print MEAS  Print FILTER  
 Print MODEL  Print OUTPUT  
 Print EPOCHSAT  Print USERADDEDERROR

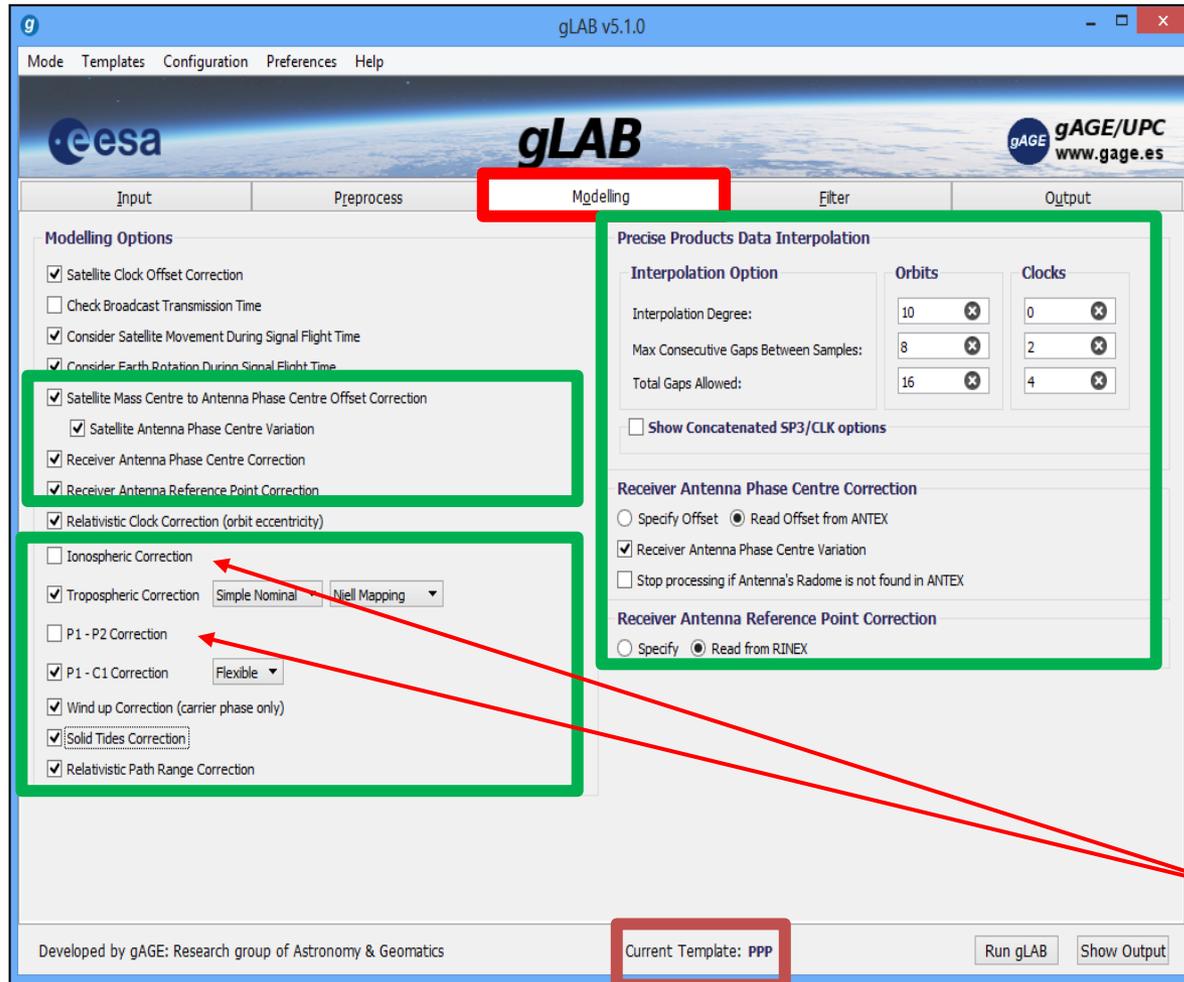
Set output file **gLAB.out** for the FULL model, as in previous case.

Run gLAB

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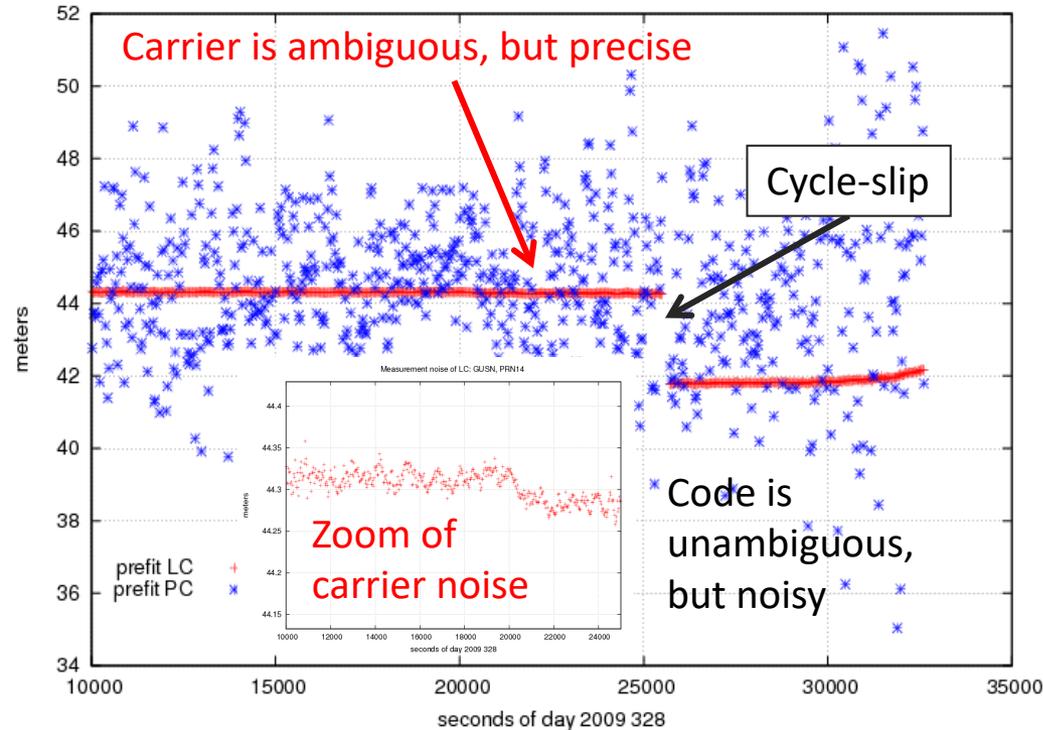
- Additional model components are used now in the FULL model to assure a centimeter level modeling.

- Precise orbits and clocks instead of broadcast ones.
- Dual frequency Code and Carrier data instead of only single frequency code.
- Iono-free combination of codes and carriers to remove ionospheric error and P1-P2 DCBs.

# Exercise 2: PPP Model components analysis

## Code and carrier Measurement noise

Comparison of measurement noise of LC and PC: GUSN, PRN14

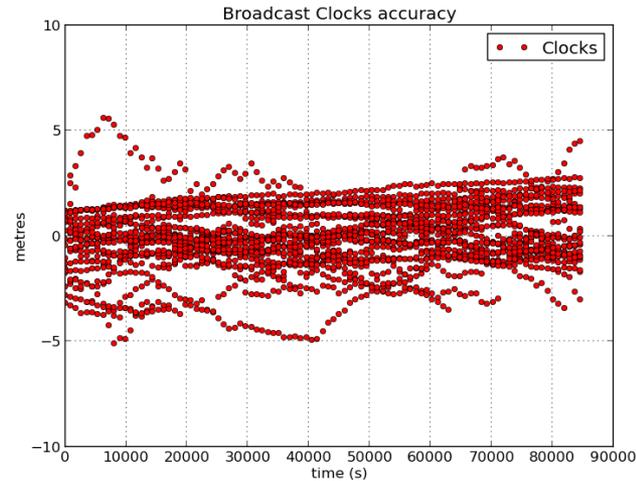
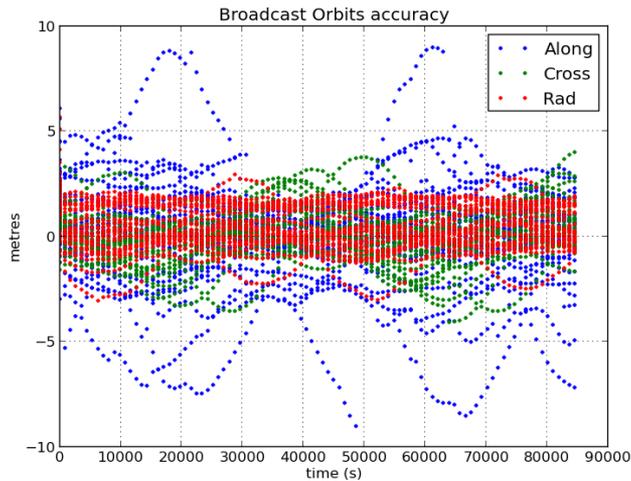


- Code measurements are unambiguous but noisy (meter level measurement noise).
- **Carrier measurements are precise but ambiguous**, meaning that they have some millimetres of noise, but also have unknown biases that could reach thousands of km.
- Carrier phase biases are estimated in the navigation filter along with the other parameters (coordinates, clock offsets, etc.). If these biases were fixed, measurements accurate to the level of few millimetres would be available for positioning. However, some time is needed to decorrelate such biases from the other parameters in the filter, and the estimated values are not fully unbiased.

Note: Figure shows the noise of **code** and **carrier** prefit-residuals, which are the input data for navigation equations.

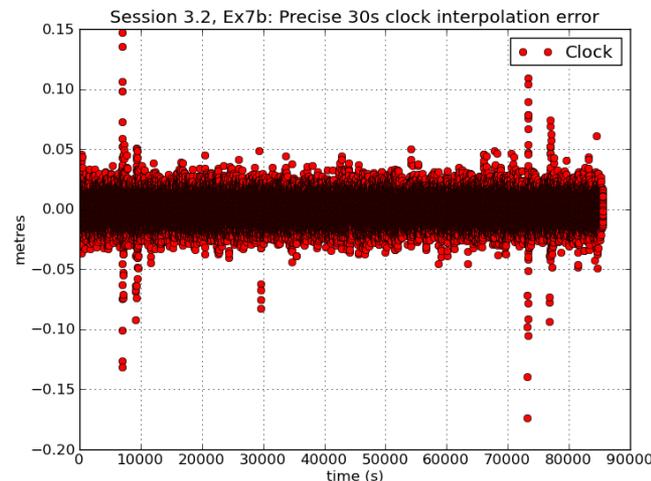
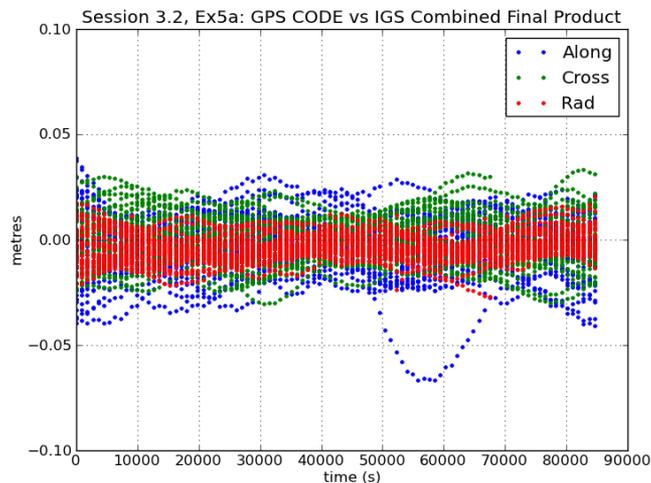
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## Orbits & clocks accuracies



### Broadcast:

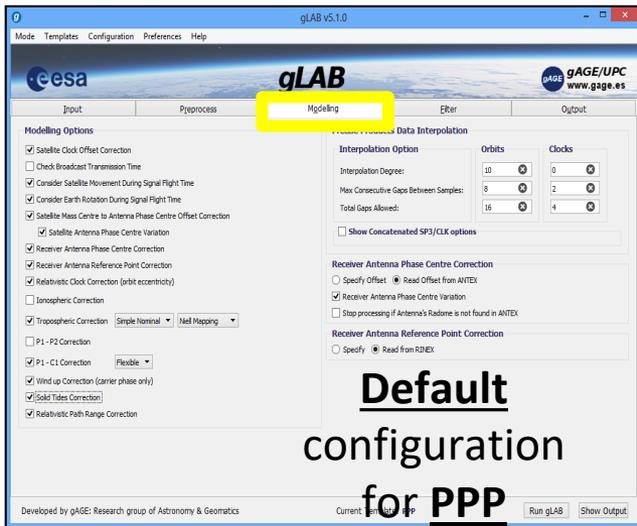
- Few metres of accuracy for broadcast orbits and clocks



### Precise:

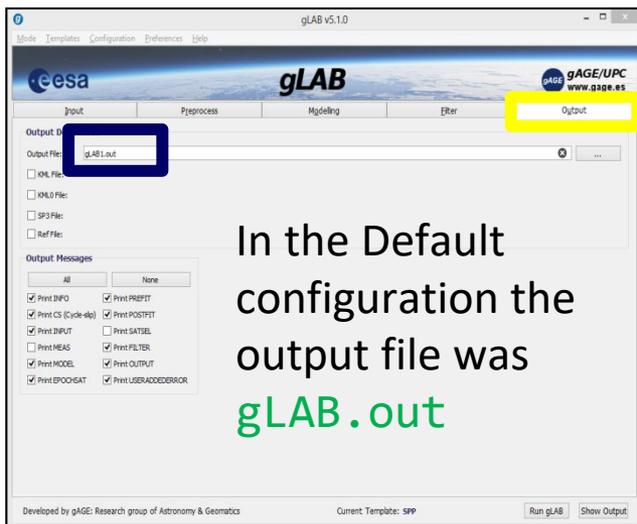
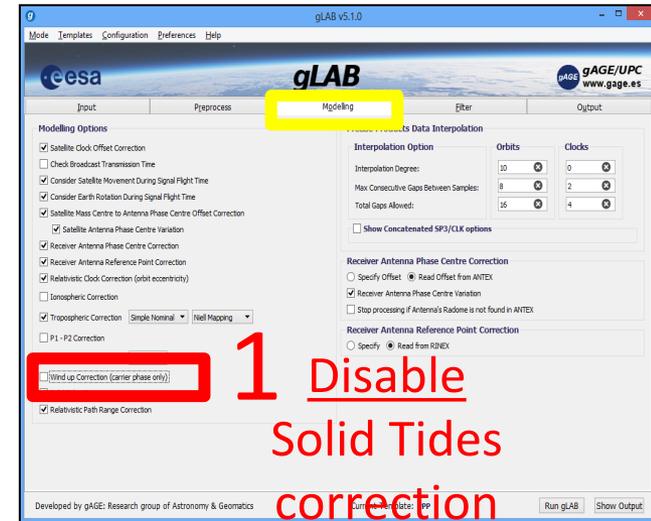
- Few centimetres of accuracy for broadcast orbits and clocks

# Example of model component analysis: Solid Tides



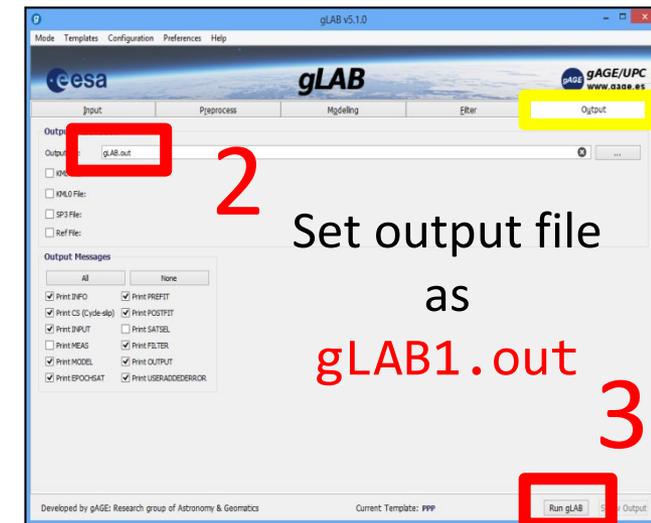
Proceed as in the previous exercise:

1. In **Modeling** panel, disable the model component to analyze.
2. Save as **gLAB1.out** the associated output file.



Notice that the **gLAB.out** file contains the processing results with the **FULL model**, as it was set in the default configuration.

Make plots as in previous exercises (see slides 38-40).



# Vertical Position Error plot from gLAB.out, gLAB1.out

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Templates

- NEU Positioning Error
- Horizontal Positioning Error
- Dilution Of Precision
- Model Components
- Residuals
- Zenith Tropospheric Delay
- Measurement Multipath/Noise
- Orbit and Clock Comparison

Global Graphic Parameters

Title: Vertical Positioning Error [Kinematic PPP] X-label: Time (s) Y-label: Error (m)

Label Position: Top Right

Automatic Limits: X-min: -0.4 X-max: 0.4 Y-min: -0.4 Y-max: 0.4

Individual Plot(s) Configuration

Plot Nr. 1 Plot Nr. 2 **Plot Nr. 3** Plot Nr. 4

Source File: gLAB.out

Condition(s): OUTPUT (\$1=="OUTPUT")

X Column: SEC 4 Y Column: DSTAU 20 Legend-label: Full Model

Clear

gLAB1.out

gLAB.out

Time (sec)

Vertical

Vertical Positioning Error [Kinematic PPP]

Error (m)

Time (s)

No Solid Tides Correction

Full Model

1 Click Clear to restart plots

2

3

Y-min, Y-max

OUTPUT

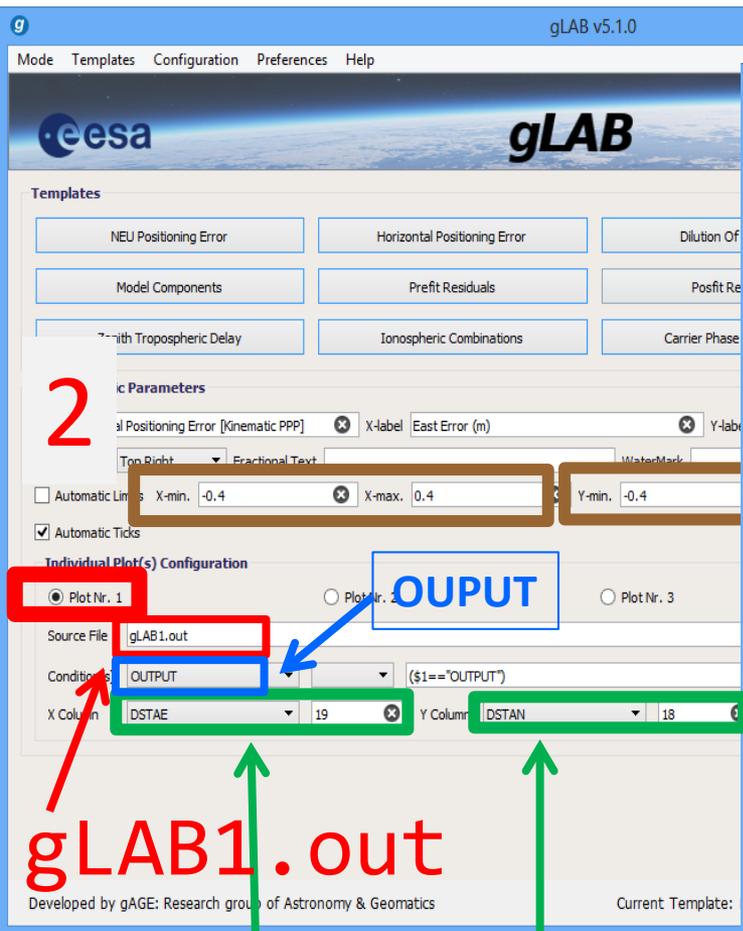
gLAB1.out

gLAB.out

Time (sec): 4

Vertical: DSTAU: 20

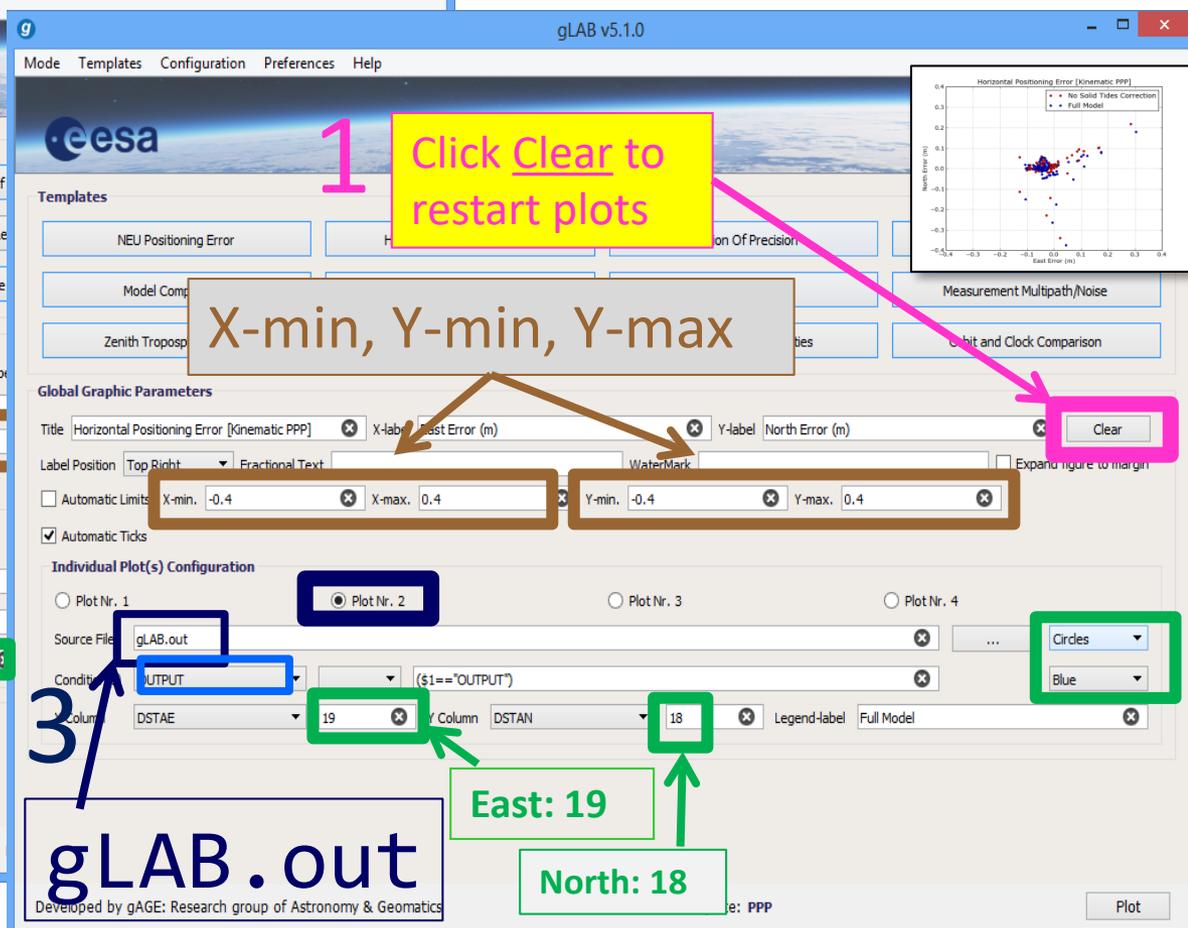
# Horizontal Position Error plot: gLAB.out, gLAB1.out



gLAB1.out

East: DSTAE: 19

North: DSTAN: 18



1 Click Clear to restart plots

X-min, Y-min, Y-max

3

gLAB.out

East: 19

North: 18

# Solid Tides model component plot: gLAB.out

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Templates

- NEU Positioning Error
- Horizontal Positioning Error
- Dilution Of Precision
- Satellite Skyplot
- Model Components**
- Zenith Tropospheric Delay
- Ionospheric Combinations
- Carrier Phase Ambiguities
- Orbit and Clock Comparison
- Profit Residuals
- Posfit Residuals
- Measurement Multipath/Noise

Global Graphic Parameters

Title: Solid Time Model [Kinematic PPP] X-label: Time (s) Y-label: Model (m)

Label Position: Top Right Fractional Text: WaterMark: Expand figure to margin

Automatic Limits  Automatic Ticks

Individual Plot(s) Configuration

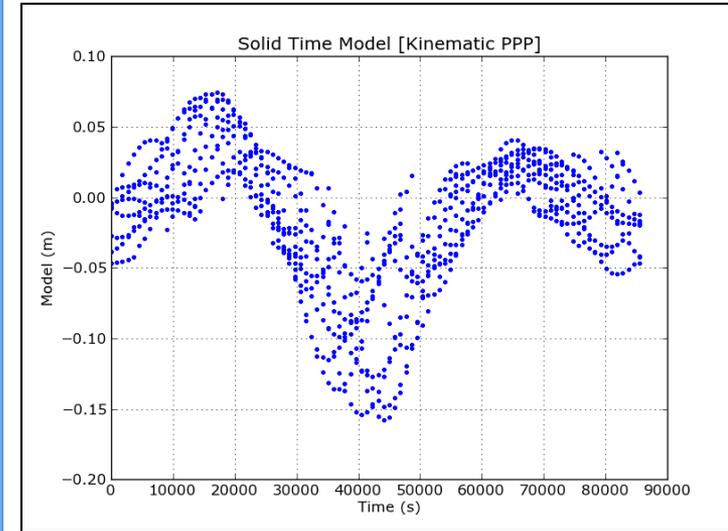
Plot Nr. 1 Plot Nr. 2 Plot Nr. 3 Plot Nr. 4

Source File: gLAB.out

Component(s): MODEL (\$1=="MODEL")

X Column: SEC 4 Column: SOLIDTIDES 28 Legend-label:

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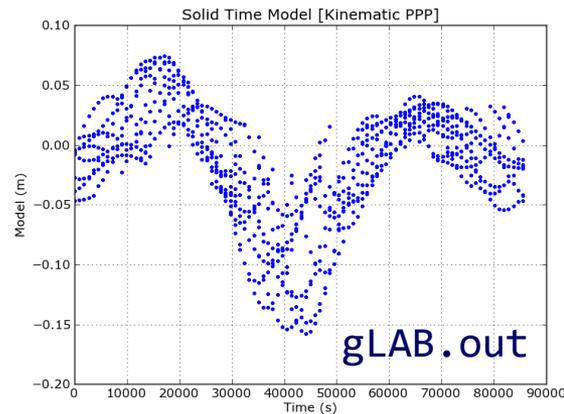
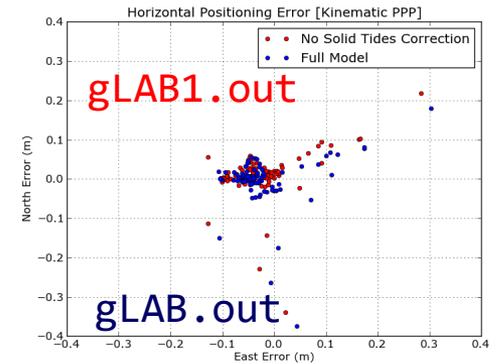
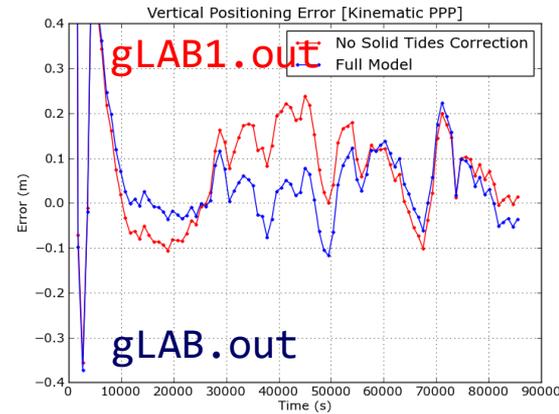
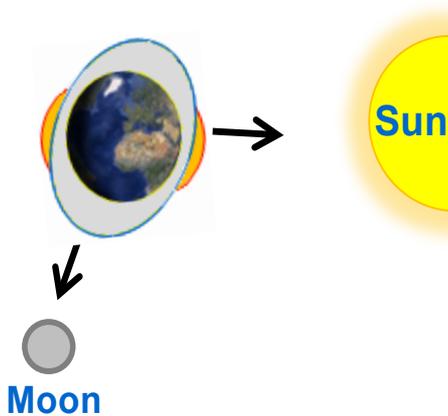
Solid Tides plot

Note: Use the gLAB.out file. In gLAB1.out file this model component was switched off.

# Exercise 2: PPP Model components analysis

## Solid Tides

It comprises the Earth's crust movement (and thence receiver coordinates variations) due to the gravitational attraction forces produced by external bodies, mainly the Sun and the Moon.

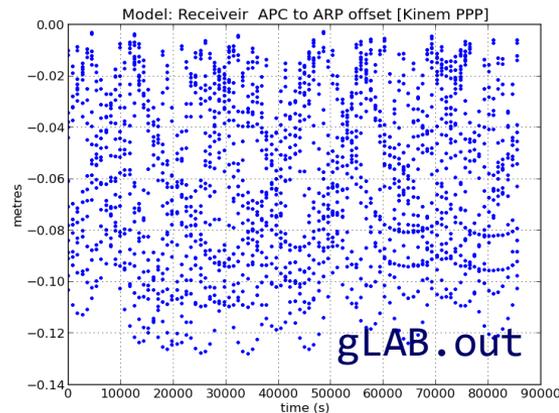
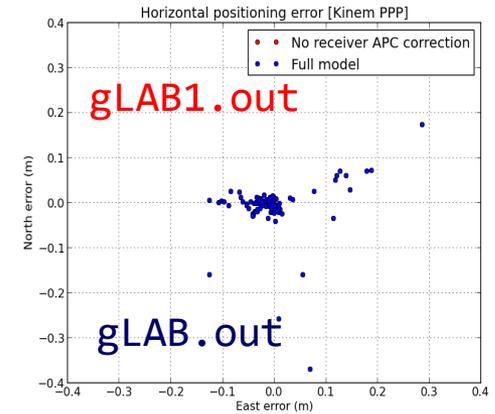
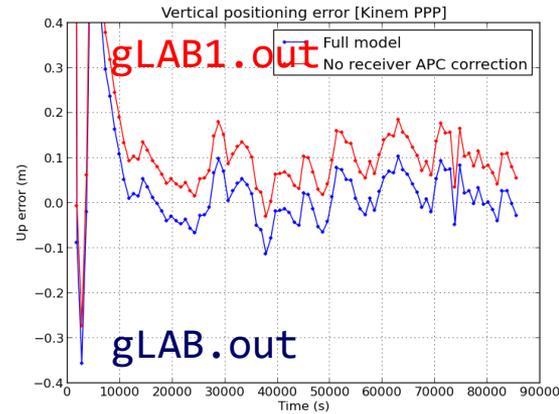
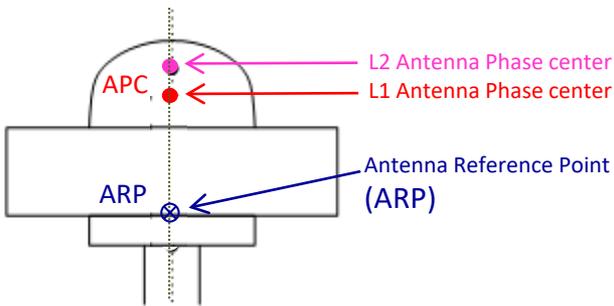


## Solid Tides:

These effects do not affect the GNSS signals, but if they were not considered, the station coordinates would oscillate with relation to a mean value. They produce vertical (mainly) and horizontal displacements.

# Exercise 2: PPP Model components analysis

## Receiver Antenna Phase center (APC)



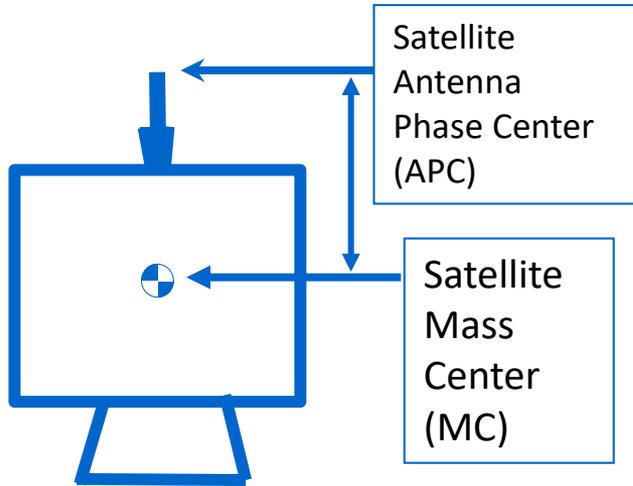
## Receiver APC:

The antenna used for this experiment, has the APC position vertically shifted regarding ARP.

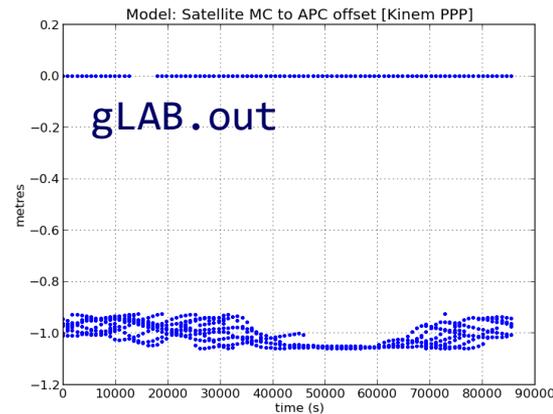
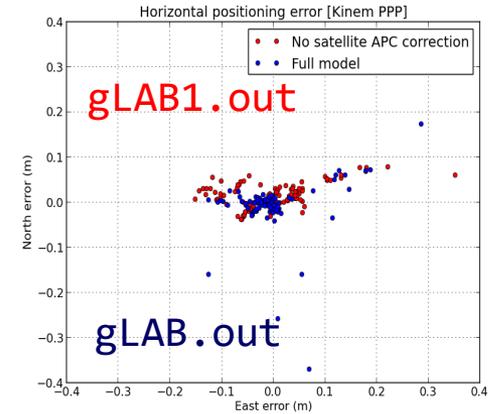
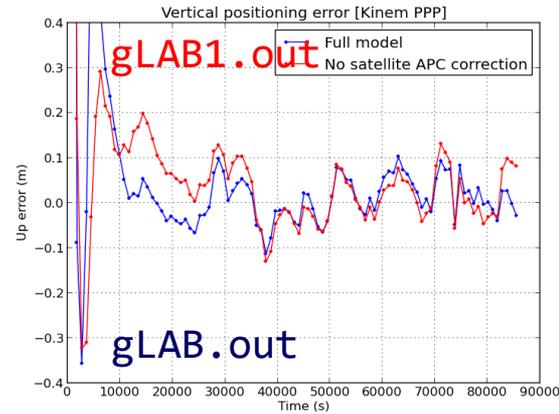
Thence, neglecting this correction, an error on the vertical component occurs, but not in the horizontal one.

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## Satellite Mass Center to Antenna Phase Center



Broadcast orbits are referred to the antenna phase center, but IGS precise orbits are referred to the satellite mass center.



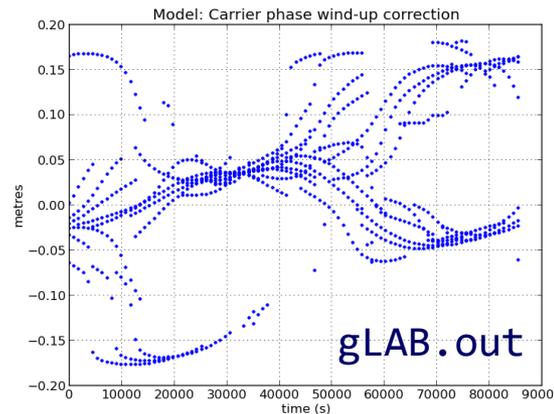
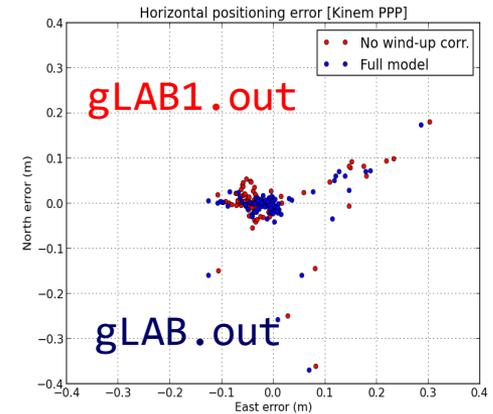
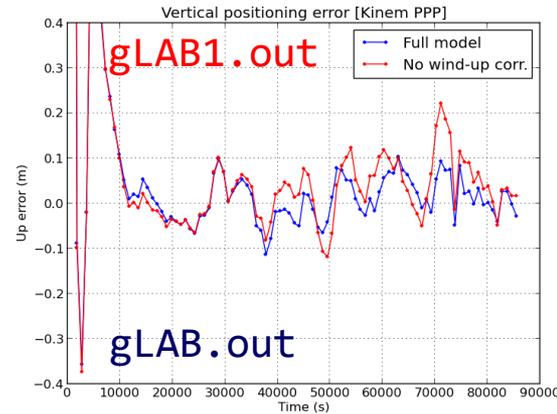
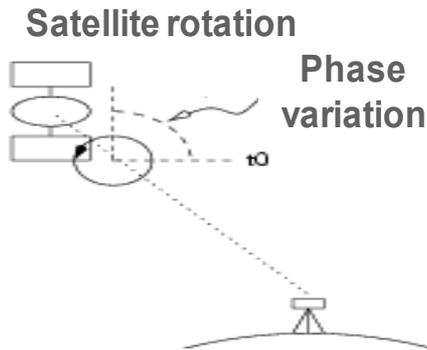
## Satellite MC to APC:

The satellite MC to APC eccentricity vector depends on the satellite. The APC values used in the IGS orbits and clocks products are referred to the iono-free combination (LC, PC). They are given in the IGS ANTEX files (e.g., `igs05.atx`).

# Exercise 2: PPP Model components analysis

**Wind-up** affects only carrier phase. It is due to the electromagnetic nature of circularly polarized waves of GNSS signals.

As the satellite moves along its orbital path, it performs a rotation to keep its solar panels pointing to the Sun direction. This rotation causes a carrier variation, and thence, a range measurement variation.



## Wind-Up

Wind-up changes smoothly along continuous carrier phase arcs. In the position domain, wind-up affects both vertical and horizontal components.

# Thanks for your attention

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The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the GAGE website. The browser's address bar shows [www.gage.es/tutorials](http://www.gage.es/tutorials). The page content is organized into several sections:

- Personnel:** Includes links for Permanent Staff, Researchers, and Former Researches.
- Publications:** Includes links for Peer Reviewed Papers, Meeting Proceedings, Culture & Society, and PhD Dissertations.
- Learning Material:** Includes a Library section with links for GNSS Books, GNSS Course and associated Tutorials, GNSS Format Descriptions, GNSS Webinars, and Software Tools.
- Projects:** Includes links for gAGE/UPC and gAGE-NAV, S.L.
- Patents:** Includes links for WARTK, Fast-PPP, Iono. Corrections, Iono. Disturb. Mitig., and Receiver orientation.
- GNSS Tutorials:** The main content area, featuring a list of tutorials and associated materials. It includes:
  - GNSS Course (associated to the GNSS Data Processing Book):**
    - About the course
    - GNSS Data Processing: Theory Slides (Full compendium):** Includes lectures from 0 to 7, covering topics like GNSS measurements, satellite orbits, position estimation, DGNSS, PPP, differential positioning, and ambiguity resolution.
    - GNSS Data Processing: Laboratory Exercises (Full compendium):** Includes tutorials from 0 to 6, covering topics like UNIX environment, data processing exercises, measurement analysis, differential positioning, carrier ambiguity fixing, propagation effects, and differential positioning with ambiguity fixing.
  - Associated Software and Data Files (Linux):** Includes links for CDROM zipped tar file and CDROM ISO.
  - Associated Software and Data Files (Windows):** Includes links for an installable toolkit (gLAB + Cygwin), data files, and instructions on how to install the software.
  - Bootable USB stick (Linux live):** Includes links for gAGE-GLUE (instructions on how to burn and use the bootable USB stick) and instructions on how to start-up the laboratory session.
  - Useful tools for Windows:** A link to a page where Windows users can install Linux tools.
- About us:** A brief description of gAGE as a research group at UPC.
- Shortcuts:** A list of quick links to various resources, with "GNSS Course and associated Tutorials" highlighted by a red box.
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