



Activities of GKÚ EPN Operational Centre

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SKPOS[®]

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DENSIFICATION



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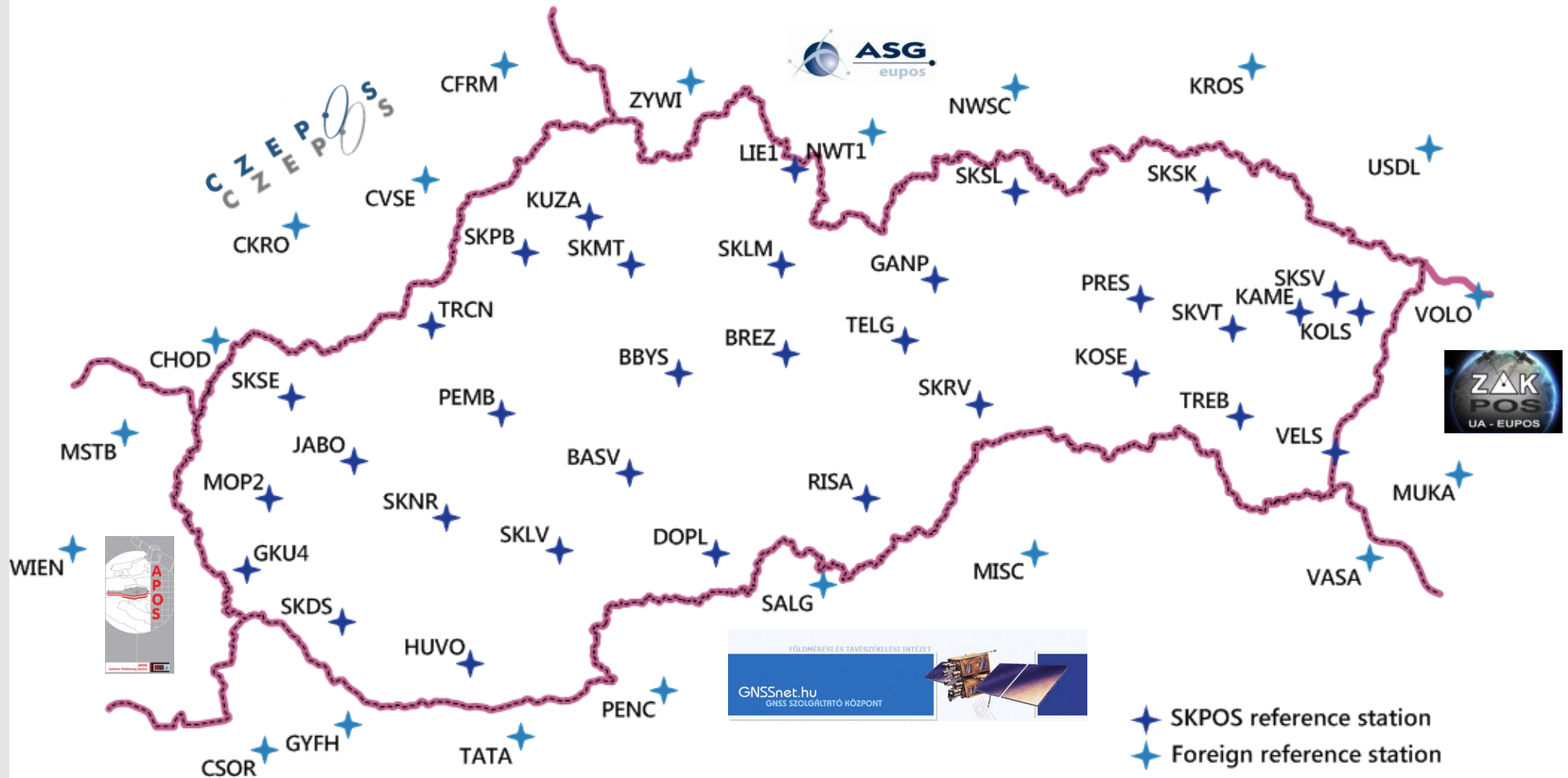
Real-time service

- ✓ Processing strategy
- ✓ Processing campaigns
- ✓ Solutions generated
- ✓ Coordinates computation
- ✓ Velocity computation
- ✓ Data quality monitoring

Post-processing

SKPOS® - Network status

Network of SKPOS® reference stations (06.09.2019)



SKPOS[®] - Network status

■ 33 SKPOS stations:

- ✓ 33/33 equipped with Trimble HW
 - receivers: NETR9, ALLOY (firmware version 5.42)
 - antennas: Zephyr Geodetic 2 & 3, ChokeRing
- ✓ 33/33 tracking: GPS, GLO, GAL, BDS, QZS, SBS, IRS (ALLOY)
- ✓ 20/33 individual antenna calibration
- ✓ 15/33 stabilization suitable for geodynamic research



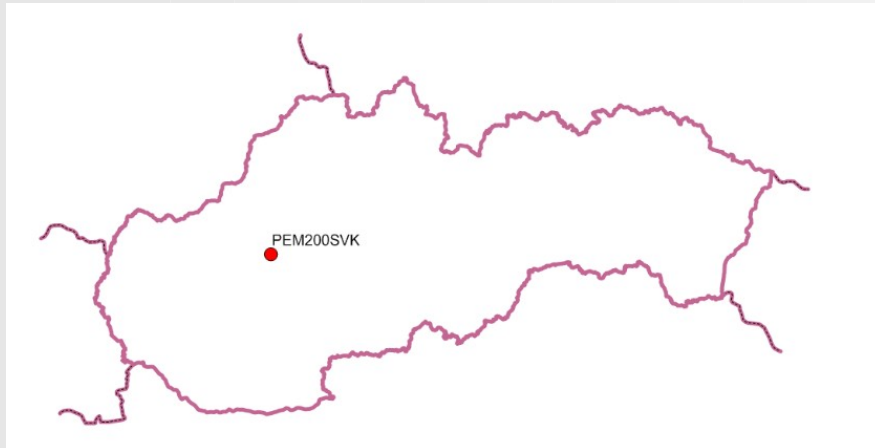
■ 20 foreign stations:

- ✓ AT: APOS (2)
- ✓ PL: ASG-EUPOS (5)
- ✓ HU: gnssnet.hu (7)
- ✓ CZ: CZEPOS (4)
- ✓ UA: ZAKPOS (2)



SKPOS[®] - Network status

- New GNSS/InSAR integrated station PEM200SVK
 - ✓ 10m from PEMB00SVK GNSS permanent station
 - ✓ GKU – SUT cooperation



SKPOS® - Real-time service status

- + 1 800 active users
- Control Software: Trimble Pivot Platform 4.3
 - ✓ RTXNet Processor **Galileo** **BeiDou**
- 33 SKPOS stations
 - ✓ 33/33 real-time corrections: GPS, GLO, GAL, BDS

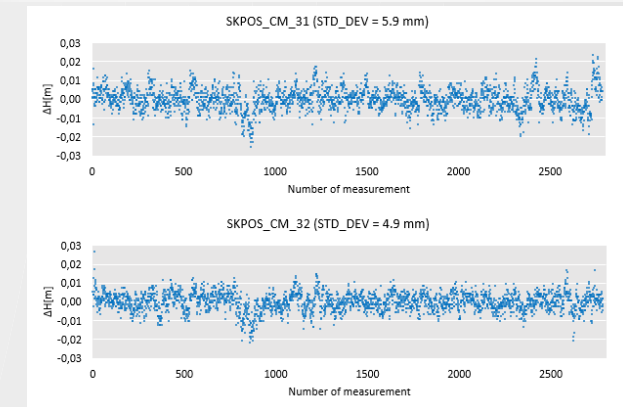
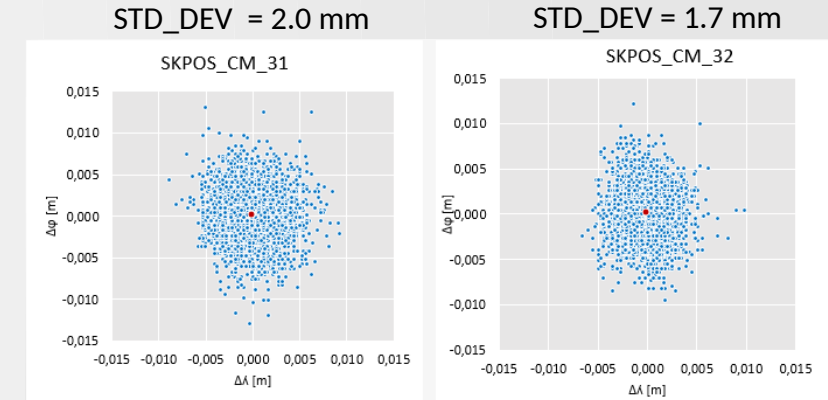
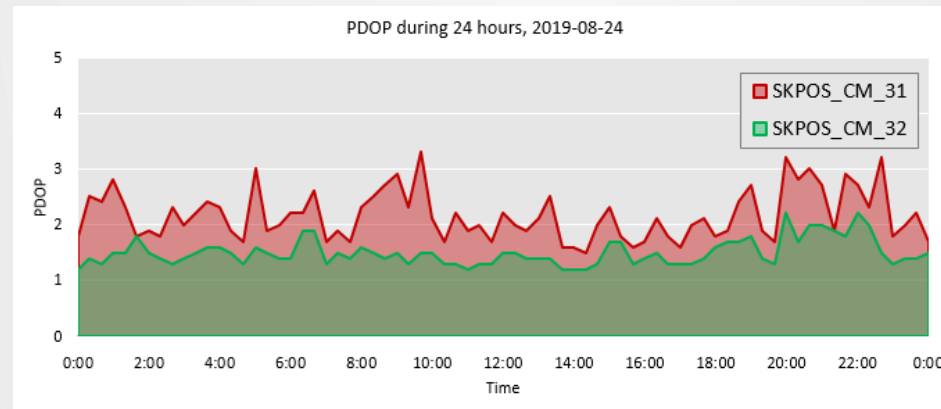
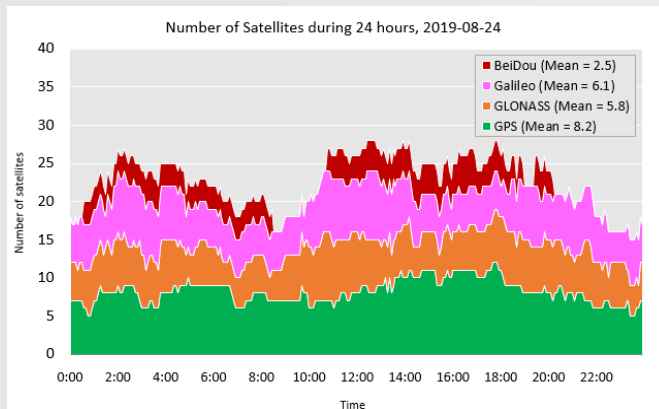
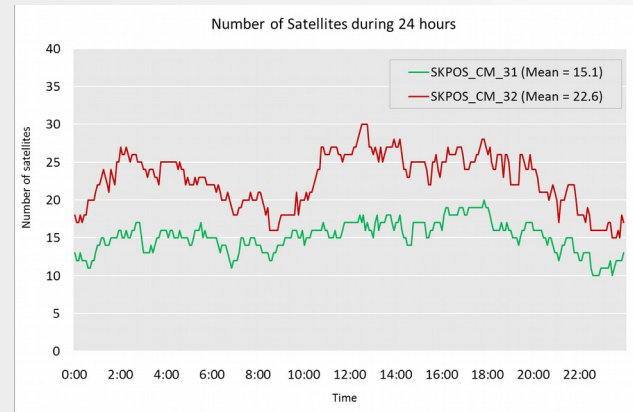
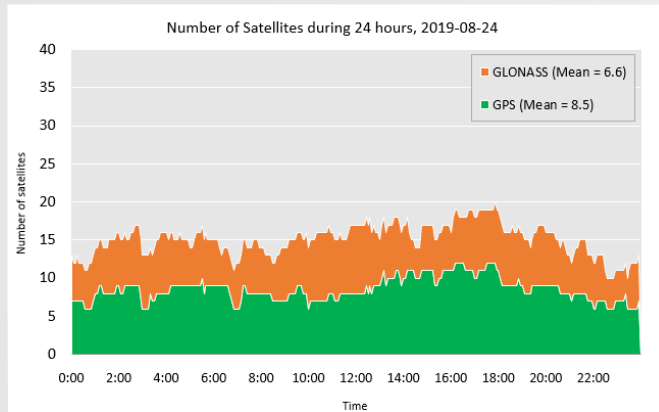


SKPOS® - Real-time service status

GPS+GLO vs. GPS+GLO+GAL+BDS

- 24h RTK test
 - at GNSS/InSAR integrated station PEM200SVK
 - 10m from PEMB00SVK permanent GNSS station

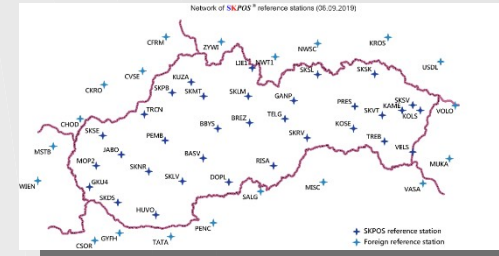
	SKPOS_CM_31	SKPOS_CM_32
Rover	Trimble NetR9	Trimble NetR9
Software	RTKNAVI	RTKNAVI
Format	RTCM 3.1	RTCM 3.2 MSM5
GNSS	GPS, GLO	GPS, GLO, GAL, BDS



SKPOS® website news

<http://skpos.gku.sk/en/stanice.php>

- Slovak / English version
- Map
- Station list
 - ✓ location
 - ✓ reference coordinates (X,Y,Z / B,L,h)
 - ✓ HW components
 - ✓ antenna calibration files
 - ✓ sitelogs
- Actual information



Reference stations

#	Reference station	Location	Coordinates Change format			Antenna	Receiver	Site log
			ETRS89 (ETRF2000) epoch 2008.5					
			X (m)	Y (m)	Z (m)			
1	BASV	Banská Štiavnica	4009952.2193	1374556.6500	4750511.3543	TRM59800.00 SCIS	TRIMBLE NETR9	Site log
2	BBYS	Banská Bystrica	3980359.1362	1382291.8714	4772771.7528	TRM59800.00 NONE ↓	TRIMBLE NETR9	Site log
3	BREZ	Brezno	3963889.0095	1414440.8746	4777131.8796	TRM55971.00 NONE ↓	TRIMBLE NETR9	Site log
4	DOPL	Dolné Plachtince	4019049.1891	1408890.6541	4732383.5840	TRM55971.00 NONE	TRIMBLE NETR9	Site log
5	GANP	Gánovce	3929181.8685	1455236.5018	4793653.7059	TRM59800.00 SCIS ↓	TRIMBLE ALLOY	Site log
6	GKU4	Bratislava	4072810.9833	1258556.7507	4728707.6032	TRM115000.00 NONE ↓	TRIMBLE NETR9	Site log
7	HUVO	Hurbanovo	4072066.0743	1338280.1018	4707504.3201	TRM55971.00 NONE	TRIMBLE NETR9	Site log
8	JABO	Jaslovské Bohunice	4035866.0213	1285295.0839	4753013.4000	TRM55971.00 NONE ↓	TRIMBLE NETR9	Site log
9	KAME	Kamenica nad Čirochou	3892532.3584	1572220.3325	4785952.5647	TRM59800.00 SCIS	TRIMBLE NETR9	Site log
10	KOLS	Kolonica	3884965.6154	1591340.3231	4786138.9493	TRM115000.00 NONE ↓	TRIMBLE NETR9	Site log

Actual information [📡](#)

- [📅](#) 2019-09-06 All Trimble NetR9 and Trimble Alloy receivers has been upgraded to the newest firmware version 5.42
- [📅](#) 2019-08-14 An antenna has been changed today at Kolonicke sedlo (KOLS) reference station. An updated GNSS antenna type can be found in the list of reference stations

Post-processing activities

- ✓ Processing strategy
- ✓ Processing campaigns
- ✓ Solutions generated
- ✓ Coordinates computation
- ✓ Velocity computation
- ✓ Data quality monitoring

Processing strategy

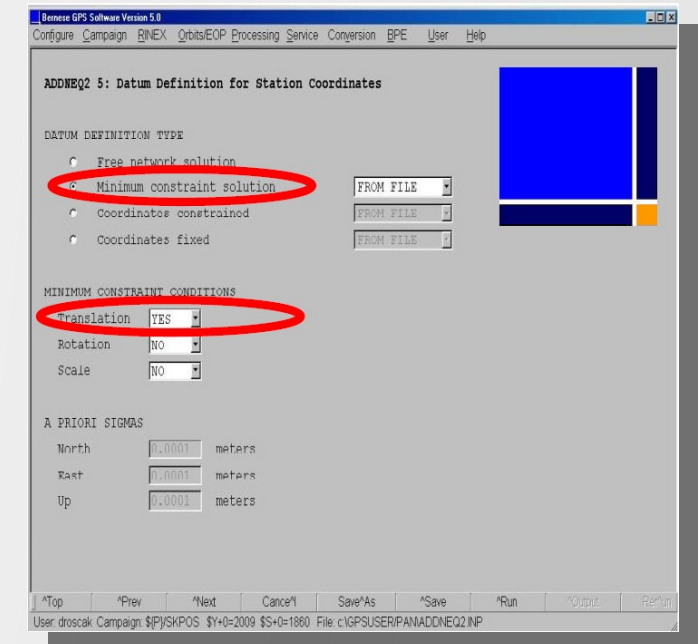
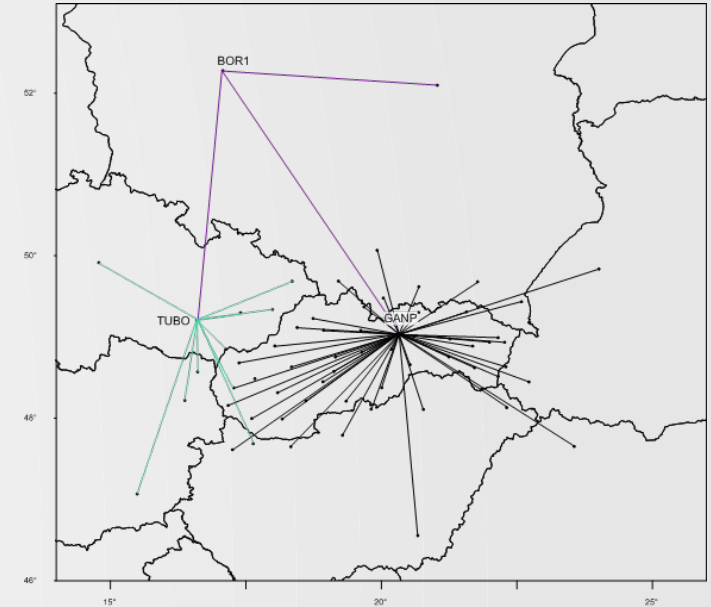
Bernese GNSS Software 5.2 (RNX2SNX.PCF)

■ Measurement models

- ✓ Preprocessing: phase preprocessing by baselines using triple-differences
- ✓ Basic observable: carrier phase (code only for receiver clock synch.)
- ✓ Modelled observable: double-differences, ionosphere-free linear combination
- ✓ Ground antenna: IGS14 model (except stations with indiv. abs. calibration)
- ✓ Satellite antenna: IGS14 model
- ✓ EPN coordinates: EPN_A_IGS14.SSC
- ✓ Processing strategy: DEFINED (BOR1, TUBO, GANP vs. JOZE, GOPE, PENC)
- ✓ Troposphere: VMF
- ✓ Ionosphere: regional ionosphere model for ambiguity resolution

■ Estimated parameters

- ✓ Adjustment: least-square algorithm
- ✓ Station coordinates: Minimum constraint (no-net-translation) fixed at 7 EPN stations
- ✓ Troposphere: absolute 5 m / relative 5 m
- ✓ Ionosphere: no estimated
- ✓ Ambiguity resolution: QIF strategy
- ✓ Satellite clock bias: not estimated (eliminated by double-differences)
- ✓ Receiver clock bias: estimated during preprocessing using code measurements



Stations included in processing

■ SKPOS stations:

- ✓ GKU
- ✓ SUT
- ✓ Topographic Institute Banska Bystrica
- ✓ Vihorlat Observatory

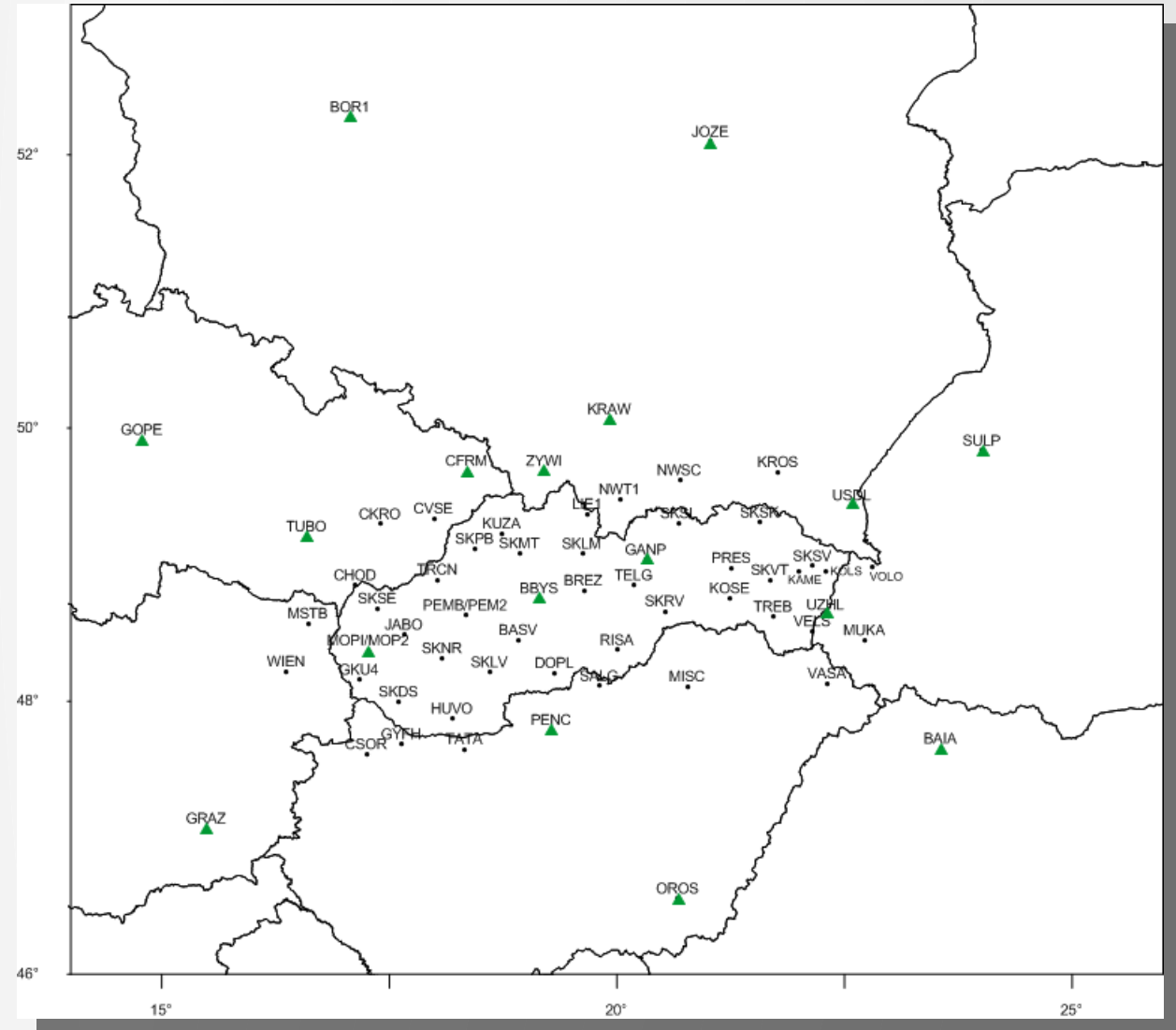
■ Foreign SKPOS stations:

- ✓ APOS
- ✓ ASGEUPOS
- ✓ CZEPOS
- ✓ HUNET
- ✓ ZAKPOS

■ EPN stations:

- ✓ EPN class A
- ✓ EPN class B

■ **TOTAL: 66 stations**



Processing campaigns

■ SKPOS (GPS+GLO)

- ✓ Daily solutions
- ✓ RINEX v2 data
- ✓ final IGS products
- ✓ since 1.1.2007

■ WEEK CMB

- ✓ Weekly solution
- ✓ Combination of daily NEQ systems
- ✓ Max. tolerated residuals:
 - North, East: 15 mm
 - Up: 30 mm
- ✓ Weekly coordinates comparison



■ WEEK ECC

- ✓ Weekly cumulative solution
- ✓ Daily coordinates comparison within GPS week
- ✓ Combination of weekly NEQ systems
- ✓ Max. tolerated residuals:
 - North, East: 15 mm
 - Up: 30 mm

■ SKPOS (GPS+GLO+GAL)

- ✓ RINEX v3 data
- ✓ final CODE MGEX products
- ✓ since 1.7.2019 – test campaign
- ✓ since 1.1.2020 – official SKPOS campaign (+GAL)

■ REPRO

- ✓ complete reprocessing until 2007
- ✓ expected start date: January 2020

Solutions generated

- Daily solution:
 - ✓ SKP_{www}wd.SNX
- Weekly solution:
 - ✓ SKP_{www}w7.SNX
- Weekly ECC cumulative solution:
 - ✓ GKU_{www}w7.SNX -> EUPOS Combination Centre (ECC)
EPN Densification solution

Coordinates computation

▪ When?

- ✓ New reference station
- ✓ Antenna change
- ✓ After reprocessing

▪ How?

- ✓ Bernese GNSS Software (ADDNEQ2) – combining NEQ
- ✓ At least 4 weekly NQ0 files
- ✓ latest EPN class A station coordinates (SSC file) + SKPOS reference coordinates
- ✓ Minimum constraint solution fixed at:
 - 7 EPN stations + 3-4 surrounding SKPOS stations

▪ Validation?

- ✓ Residuals check at fixed stations (ADDNEQ2.OUT)
- ✓ Coordinates comparison

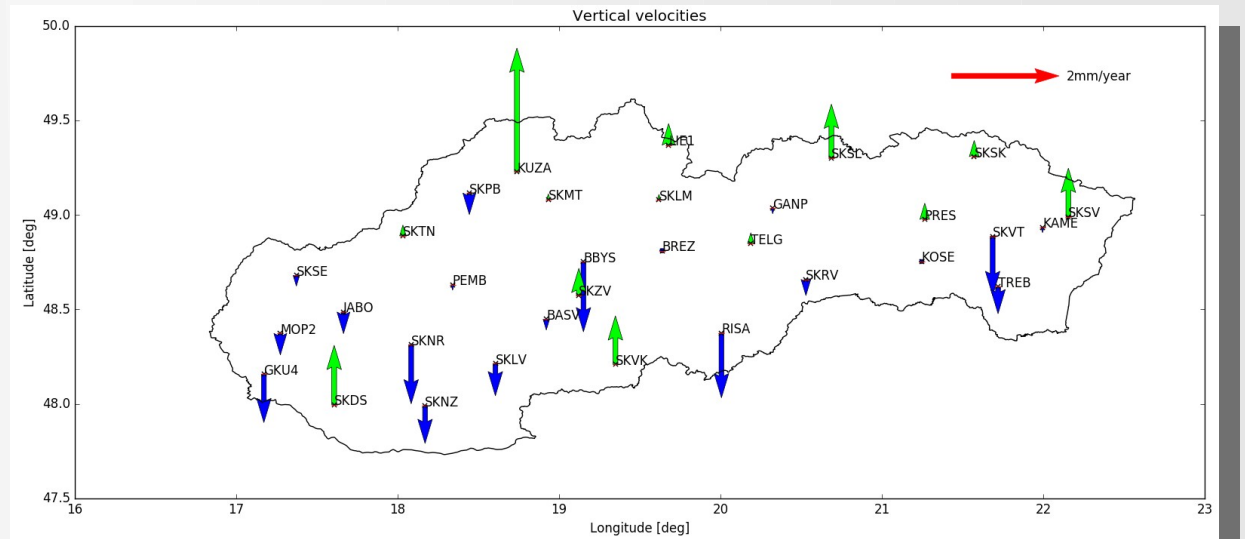
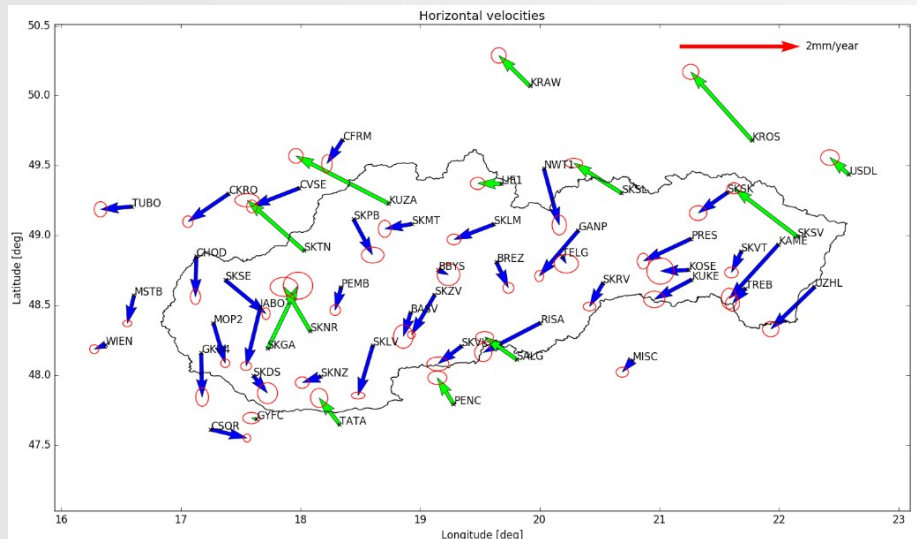
▪ Update?

- ✓ Reference coordinates in IGS14 (2008.5)
- ✓ Reference coordinates in ETRF2000 (2008.5)
- ✓ Update: SKPOS.SSC, SKPOS.CRD, website, applications, receiver, control software
- ✓ Reprocessing back to the antenna change date / start station

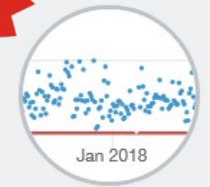
Velocity computation

TS PRO application

- Time series analysis
- Horizontal and vertical velocities estimation
 - ✓ eliminated: jumps (Bernese - FODITS), season variation, anomalies, outliers
- Residual velocities = represent geodynamic of Slovakia towards Eurasian tectonic plate



SKPOS[®] Quality Control



Quality Control

Časové rady, kontrola kvality,
dostupnost údajov

- web application developed at GKU for monitoring:
 - ✓ Time Series
 - ✓ Ambiguity resolution
 - ✓ Data Quality:
 - Number and percentage of observations
 - Multipath errors
 - Cycle slips
 - SNR
 - ✓ Skyplots
 - ✓ RINEX availability
 - ✓ Real-time data delay (SITE → control software)



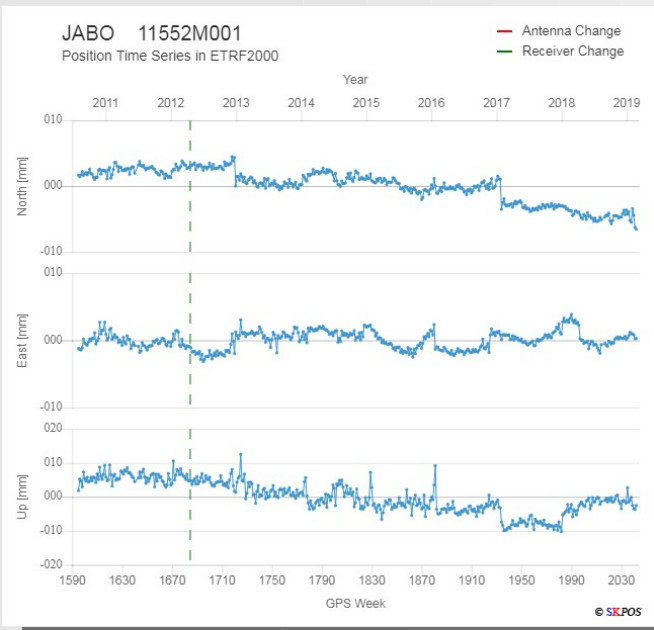
SKPOS[®] Quality Control

- Input data:
 - ✓ SINEX (Bernese GNSS Software 5.2)
 - ✓ RINEX v2 (G-Nut/Anubis 2.2.3)
 - ✓ Real-time data (Trimble Pivot Platform)
- Output data:
 - ✓ Plots
 - Time series
 - Ambiguity resolution
 - Observations, cycle slips, multipath errors, SNR
 - Skyplots
 - ✓ Tables
 - RINEX availability
 - Real-time data delay
- 86 stations (SKPOS / foreign SKPOS / EPN)



SKPOS® Quality Control

RINEX v2 GPS+GLO

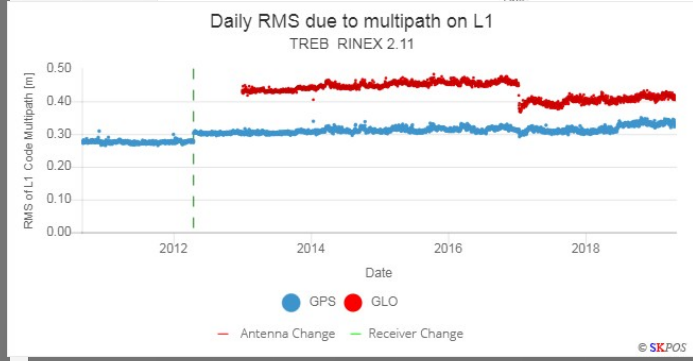
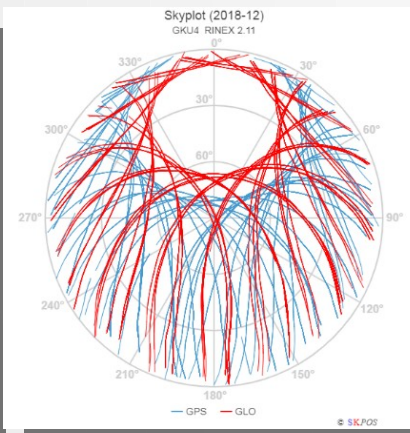
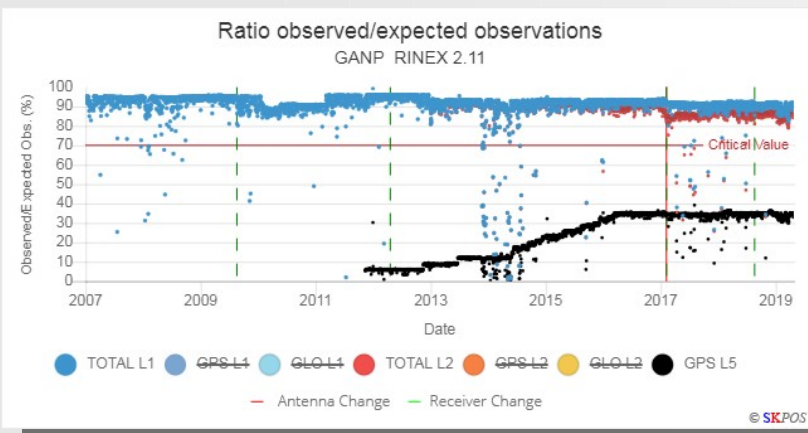
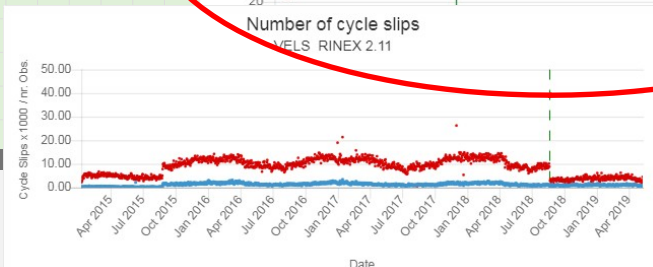
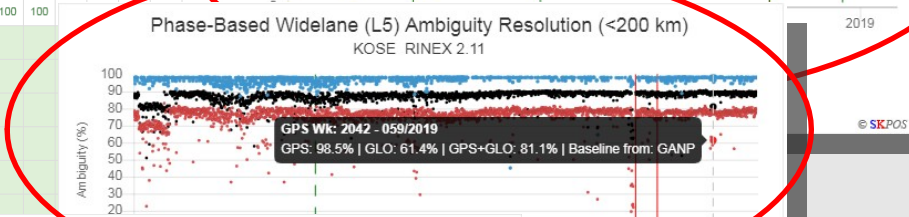
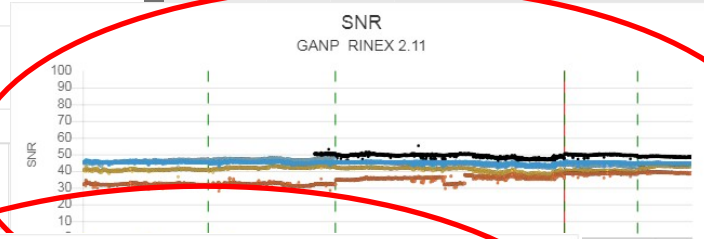


SKPOS® Quality Control < 2019 >

Time Series | Data Quality | Skyplots | Data Availability | Real-Time Delay

Availability of daily 30s RINEX 2.11 data. Last update: 2019-01-11 03:45:00 (6 hours ago)

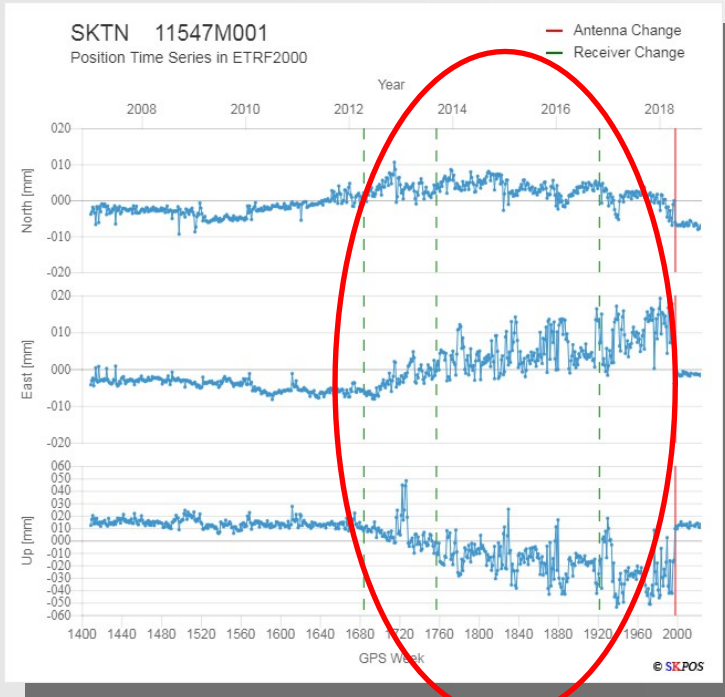
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Availability (%)	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	80	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100			
2019-01-10	[Green cells]																									
2019-01-09	[Green cells]																									
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	SKPOS stations			Foreign stations				
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30 ms	72 ms	87 266 ms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	GANP	0 ms	169 ms	58 090 ms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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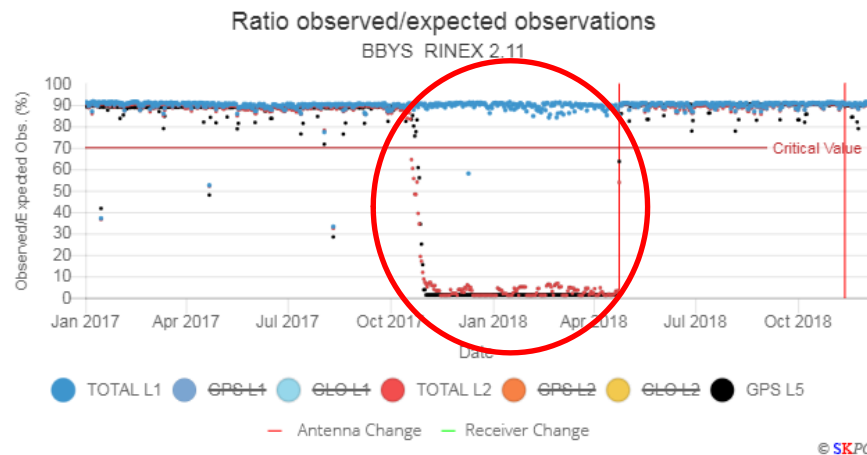
SKPOS[®] Quality Control

Antenna problems (Trimble ZG-2, S/N: 3013)

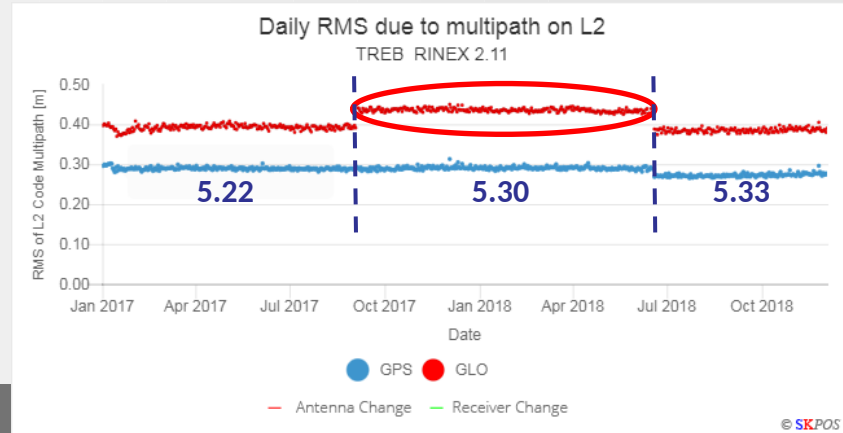


Detected problems

Lost signals at L2, L5 freq. (Trimble ChokeRing)



Trimble NETR9 firmware v5.30 problem



Conclusion

- 1.1.2020 – SKPOS Quality Control v3 (official version)
- 1.1.2020 – Bernese GNSS processing using RINEX v3 data
- 1.1.2020 – Bernese GNSS Processing using Galileo
- 2020 – complete reprocessing (2007 - 2020)
 - ✓ fixed all bugs in Bernese processing
 - ✓ new coordinates estimation
 - ✓ new velocity estimation



Thank you!

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