Computer Systems

Exercise 7

Agenda

- Last Weeks Exercise (Byzantine Agreement)
- Consistency Models & Logical Clocks
- Clock Synchronization & GPS
- This weeks exercise

Algorithm 1 Simple Consensus in a Grid

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1: allValues = {(myId, myValue)}
2: recv = \{(myId, myValue)\}
 3: for Round 1 to \infty do
      Send values(recv) to all neighbors
     recv = receive tuples from neighbors
 5:
     remove all tuples from recv which are already in all Values
6:
     if recv = \emptyset then
        No new tuple received
        return minimum value in all Values
     else
10:
        allValues = allValues \cup recv
11:
     end if
12:
13: end for
```

1.2 Synchronous Consensus in a Grid - Crash Failures (2 dimensional grid)

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Answer: keep the exact same algorithm as we discussed last time (forward everything, decide when you don't learn anything new in one round, because it means you learned everything).

Correctness: In round i a node receives all values from neighbors of distance i, it will keep receiving new values every round until it has all

Termination: After at most l+1 rounds all information will have propagated through the grid

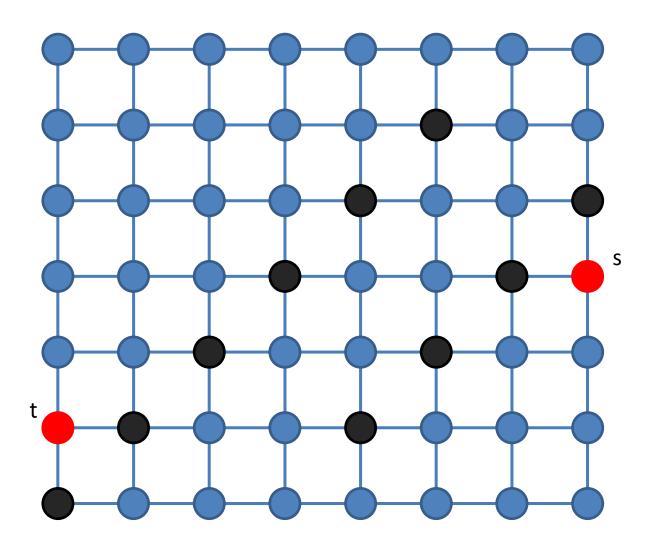
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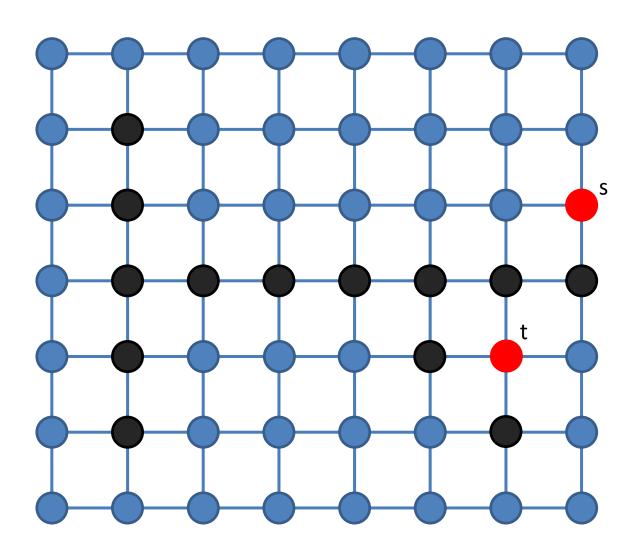
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Optimal if $w \approx h$, gives longest distance of about 3(w+h)



Possible also in a general case, gives longest distance of about 2(w+h)

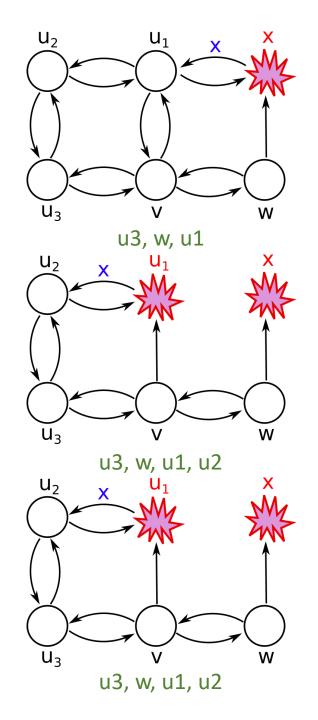


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- c) Assume that you run the algorithm with any type of crash failures; i.e, nodes can crash at any time during the execution. Show that with such failures the algorithm does not always work correctly anymore, by giving an execution and a failure pattern in which some nodes terminate too early!



1. Node x crashes, u1 learns value, w does not

2. Node u1 crashes, u2 learns value, v does not

3. After 2 rounds, v will have learned the values of all nodes except x. In round 3 the value of x is at node u3, therefore v does not learn anything new and will terminate prematurely

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a) Suggest a simple synchronous algorithm satisfying the agreement property defined above. Use the strategy from Question 2.1d).

Algorithm 2 Simple Synchronous Approximate Agreement

- 1: Lest x_u be the input value of node u
- 2: repeat:
- 3: Broadcast x_u
- 4: I := all received values x_v without the largest and the smallest f values
- 5: Set $x_u := mean(I)$

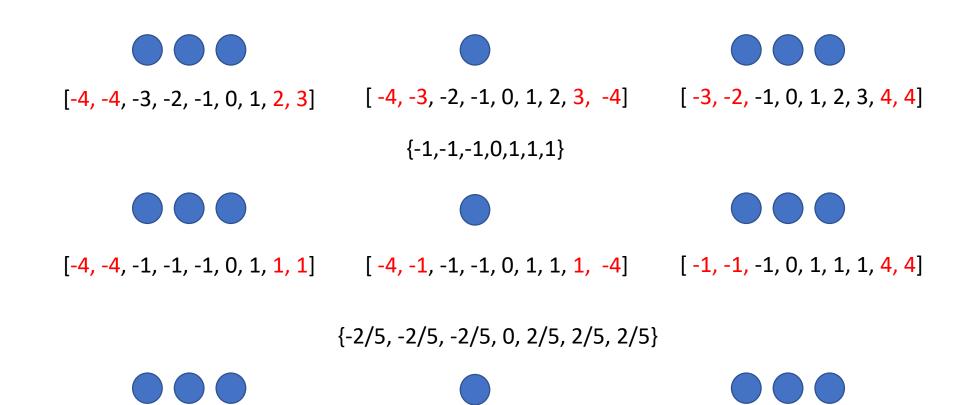
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b) Apply your algorithm to the input from Question 2.1. Compute 3 iterations assuming that byzantine nodes try to prevent the nodes from converging.



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a) Sketch your algorithm in the asynchronous setting.

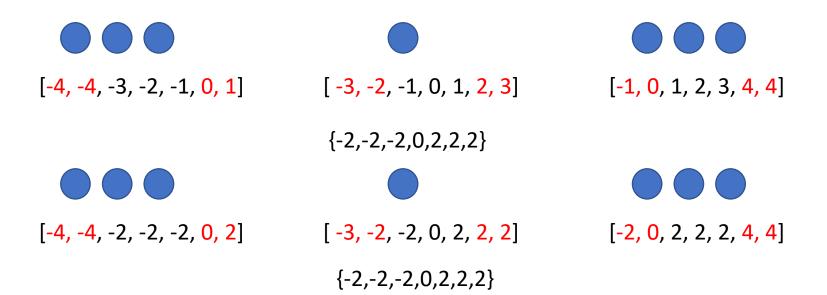
Algorithm 3 Simple Asynchronous Approximate Agreement

- 1: Lest x_u be the input value of node u
- 2: Let r := 1 denote the round
- 3: repeat:
- 4: Broadcast (x_u, r)
- 5: Wait until received n-f messages of the form (x_v,r)
- 6: I := all received values x_v in round r without the largest and the smallest f values
- 7: Set $x_u := mean(I)$ and r := r + 1

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- c) What is the largest value of f for which your algorithm will work in the asynchronous system?
- c) All local intervals I of the correct nodes can be shown to intersect in at least one value for f < n/5: from the n-f correct values, the nodes can hide at most 2f too large or too small values. After the removal, the intervals should intersect, i.e. (n-f)-2f-2f=n-5f>1 should be satisfied.

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In every round, all nodes will have a least one common value inside the intervals. Therefore, the nodes will converge.

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- e) Explain how the bounds change in the asynchronous case if FIFO broadcast is used instead of best-effort broadcast or vice versa?

Now the byzantine nodes can only use scheduling to hide values. So now the byzantine nodes can only make the nodes see 2f different values from each side, so f < n/4

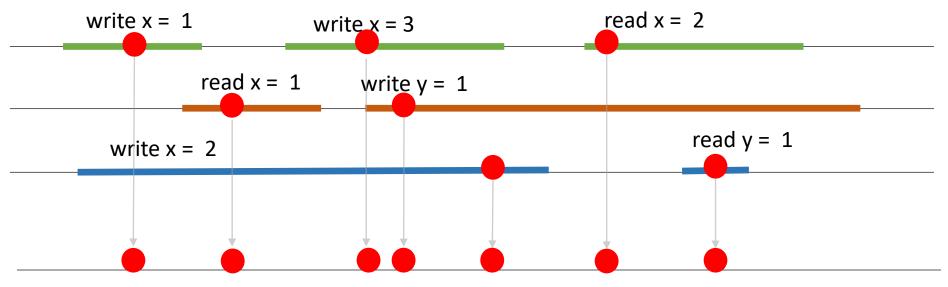
Consistency Models

- Linearizability (implies both others)
- Sequential Consistency
- Quiescent Consistency

- If you are confused or need an overview:
 - http://coldattic.info/post/88/

Linearizability

- "one global order"
- Linearizability -> put points on a "line"
- Strongest assumption, implies other two



write x = 1 < read x = 1 < write x = 3 < write y = 1 < write x = 2 < read x = 2 < read = 1

Sequential Consistency

- similar as linearizability, but can "shift" and "squeeze" threads compared to each other
- sequential consistency -> build "sequences"

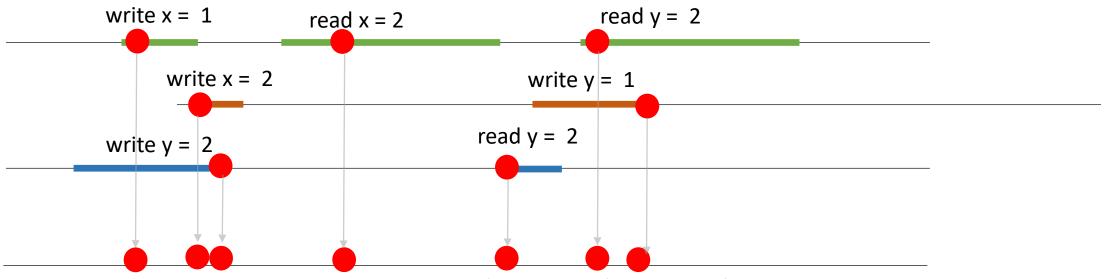
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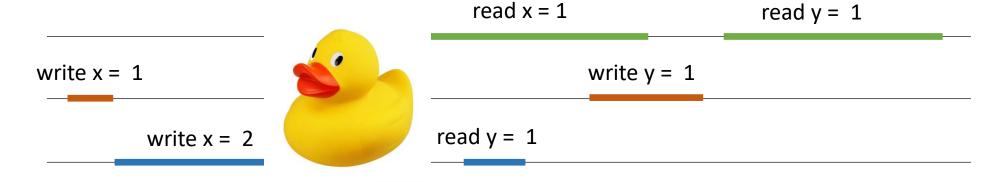
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Quiescent Consistency

- synchronizes all threads whenever there is a time when there is no possible execution
- quiescent -> "Quietschente"



write x = 2 < write x = 1



< write y = 1 < read y = 1 < read x = 1 < read y = 1</pre>

Composable (applies to consistency models)

- Definition: If you only look at all operations concerning any object and the execution is consistent, then also the whole execution is consistent
- sequential consistency is not composable
- linearizability is composable
- quiescent consistency is composable

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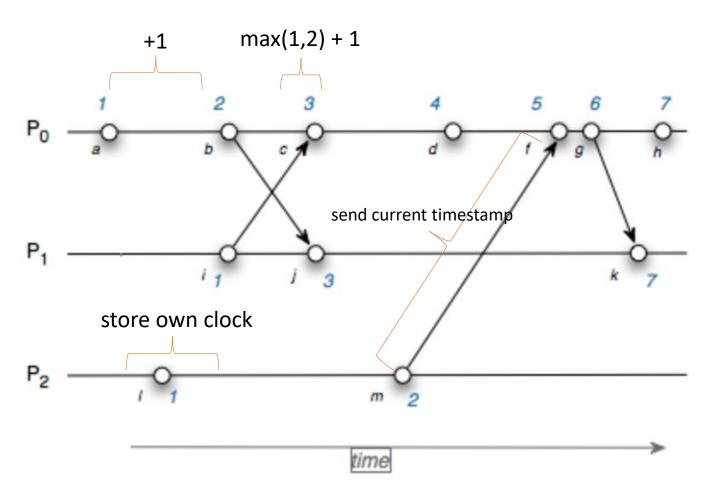
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Logical Clocks

- happened before relation "->" holds:
 - If f < g on the same node
 - Send happens before receive
 - If f -> g and g -> h then f -> h (Transitivity)
- c(a) means timestamp of event a
- logical clock: if a -> b, then c(a) < c(b)
- strong logical clock: if c(a) < c(b), then a -> b (in addition)

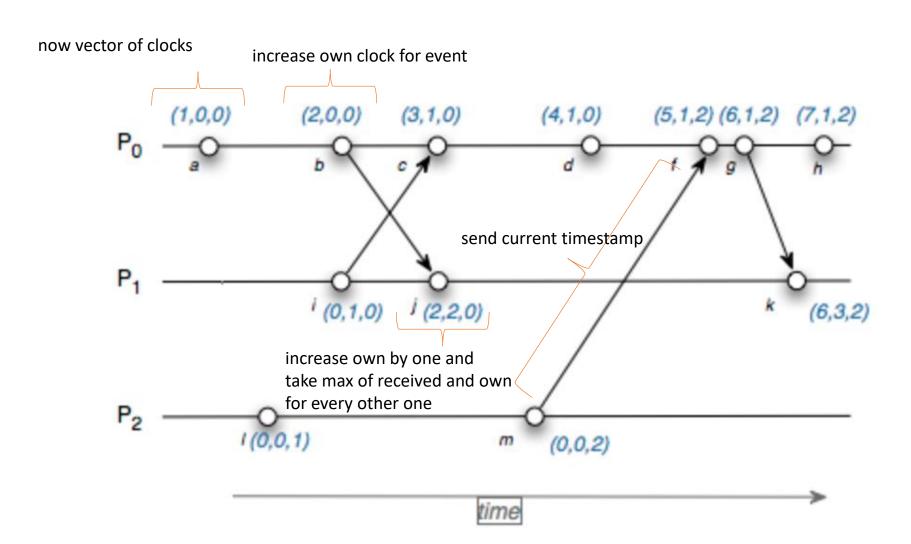
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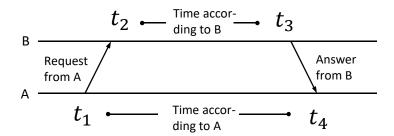
- Is a logical clock (so if a -> b then c(a) < c(b))
- but the reverse does not hold, so not a strong logical clock

Vector Clock



Propagation Delay Estimation (NTP)

Measuring the Round-Trip Time (RTT)



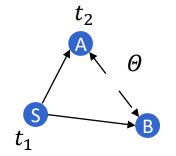
Propagation delay and clock skew can be calculated

$$\delta = \frac{(t_4 - t_1) - (t_3 - t_2)}{2}$$

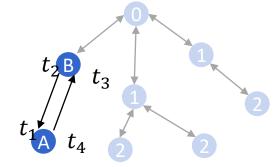
$$\Theta = \frac{\left(t_2 - (t_1 + \delta)\right) - \left(t_4 - (t_3 + \delta)\right)}{2} = \frac{(t_2 - t_1) + (t_3 - t_4)}{2}$$

Clock Synchronization Tricks in Wireless Networks

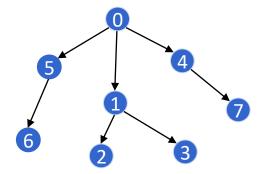
- Reference Broadcast Synchronization (RBS)
 Synchronizing atomic clocks
 - Sender synchronizes set of clocks



- Time-sync Protocol for Sensor Networks (TPSN)
 Network Time Protocol
 - Estimating round trip time to sync more accurately



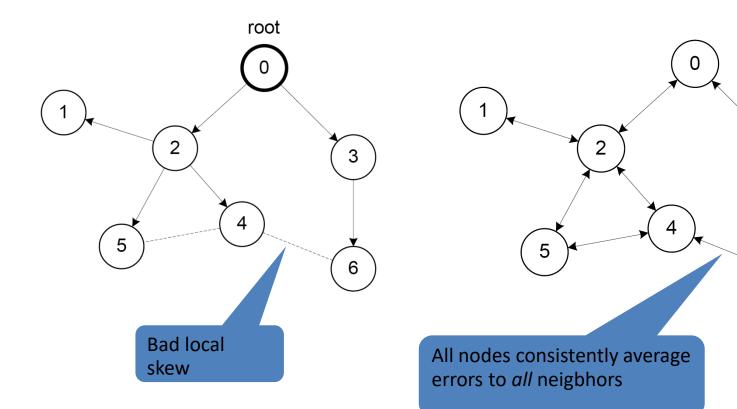
- Flooding Time Synchronization Protocol (FTSP)
 Precision Time Protocol
 - Timestamp packets at the MAC Layer to improve accuracy



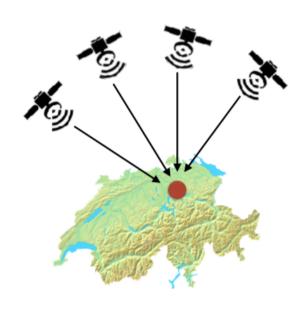
Variants of Clock Synchronization Algorithms

Tree-like Algorithms e.g. FTSP

Distributed Algorithms e.g. GTSP

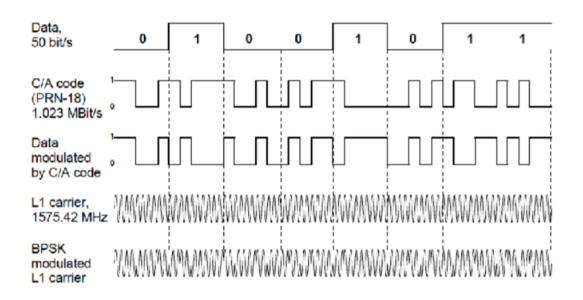


GPS



- 24 satellites at ~ 20,200 Km above earth.
 Each satellite transmits navigation messages containing its location and precise time of transmission
- Unique pseudorandom codes are used
- GPS receiver measures each navigation message's arrival time and estimates its distance to the satellite.
- Receiver's position and time is calculated using trilateration

Generating the GPS signal

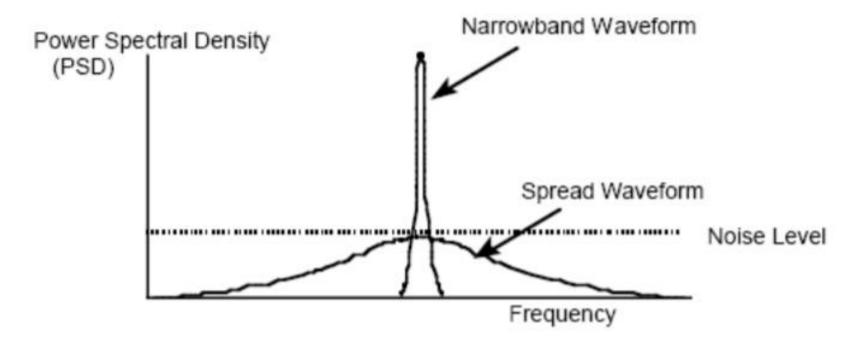


Algorithm 14.27 GPS Satellite

- 1: Given: Each satellite has a unique 1023 bit (± 1 , see below) PRN sequence, plus some current navigation data D (also ± 1).
- 2: The code below is a bit simplified, concentrating on the digital aspects, ignoring that the data is sent on a carrier frequency of 1575.42 MHz.

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3: while true do
4: for all bits D_i \in D do
5: for j = 0 \dots 19 do
6: for k = 0 \dots 1022 do {this loop takes exactly 1 ms}
7: Send bit PRN_k \cdot D_i
8: end for
9: end for
10: end for
11: end while
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DSSS

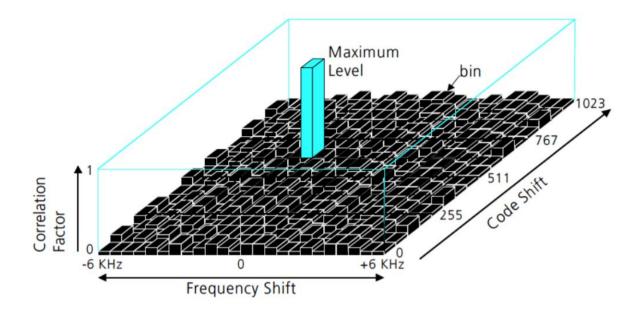


- + allows transmitters to share the same frequency band
- + little interference from noise and other signals
- + with secret codes: hard to detect and jam

Signal Aquisition

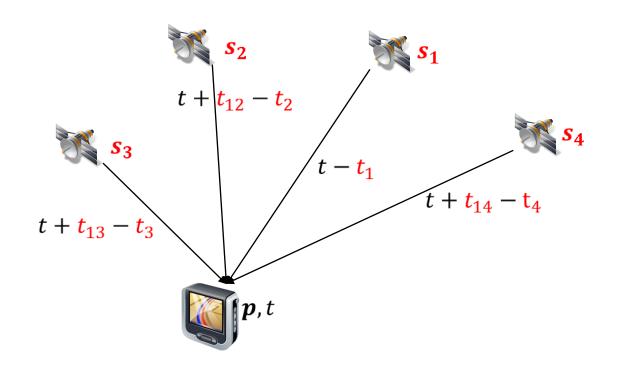
Algorithm 14.31 Acquisition

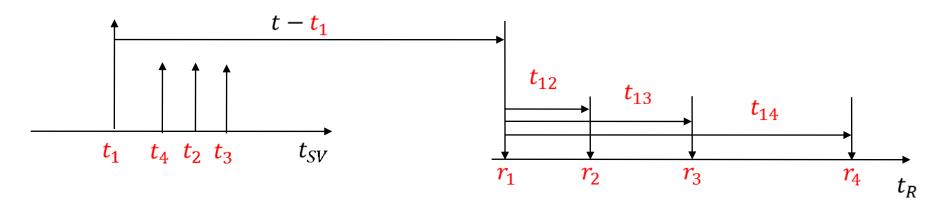
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1: Received 1 ms signal s with sampling rate r \cdot 1,023 kHz
 2: Possible Doppler shifts F, e.g. \{-10 \text{ kHz}, -9.8 \text{ kHz}, \dots, +10 \text{ kHz}\}
 3: Tensor A = 0: Satellite × carrier frequency × time
 4: for all satellites i do
      PRN_i' = PRN_i stretched with ratio r
      for all Doppler shifts f \in F do
        Build modulated PRN_i'' with PRN_i' and Doppler frequency f
 7:
        for all delays d \in \{0,1,\dots,1,023 \cdot r - 1\} do
 8:
           A_i(f,d) = |cxcorr(s, PRN_i'', d)|
        end for
      end for
11:
      Select d^* that maximizes \max_d \max_f A_i(f, d)
      Signal arrival time r_i = d^*/(r \cdot 1,023 \text{ kHz})
14: end for
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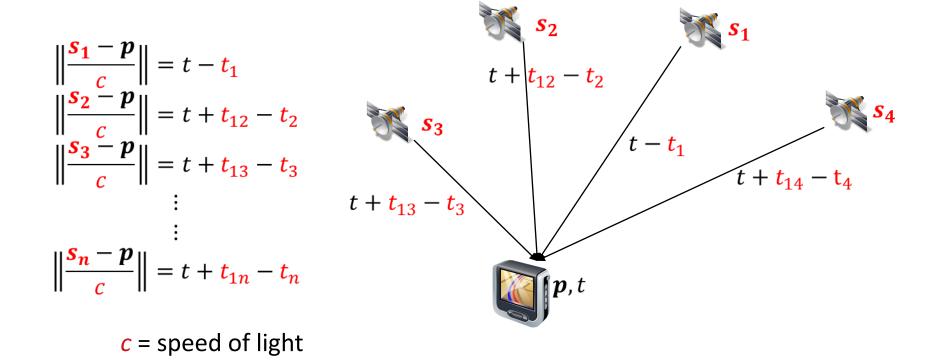
GPS Localization

Assuming that time of GPS satellites is correctly synchronized...





GPS Localization



Find least squares solution in t and p