



GPS L1 C/A SDR



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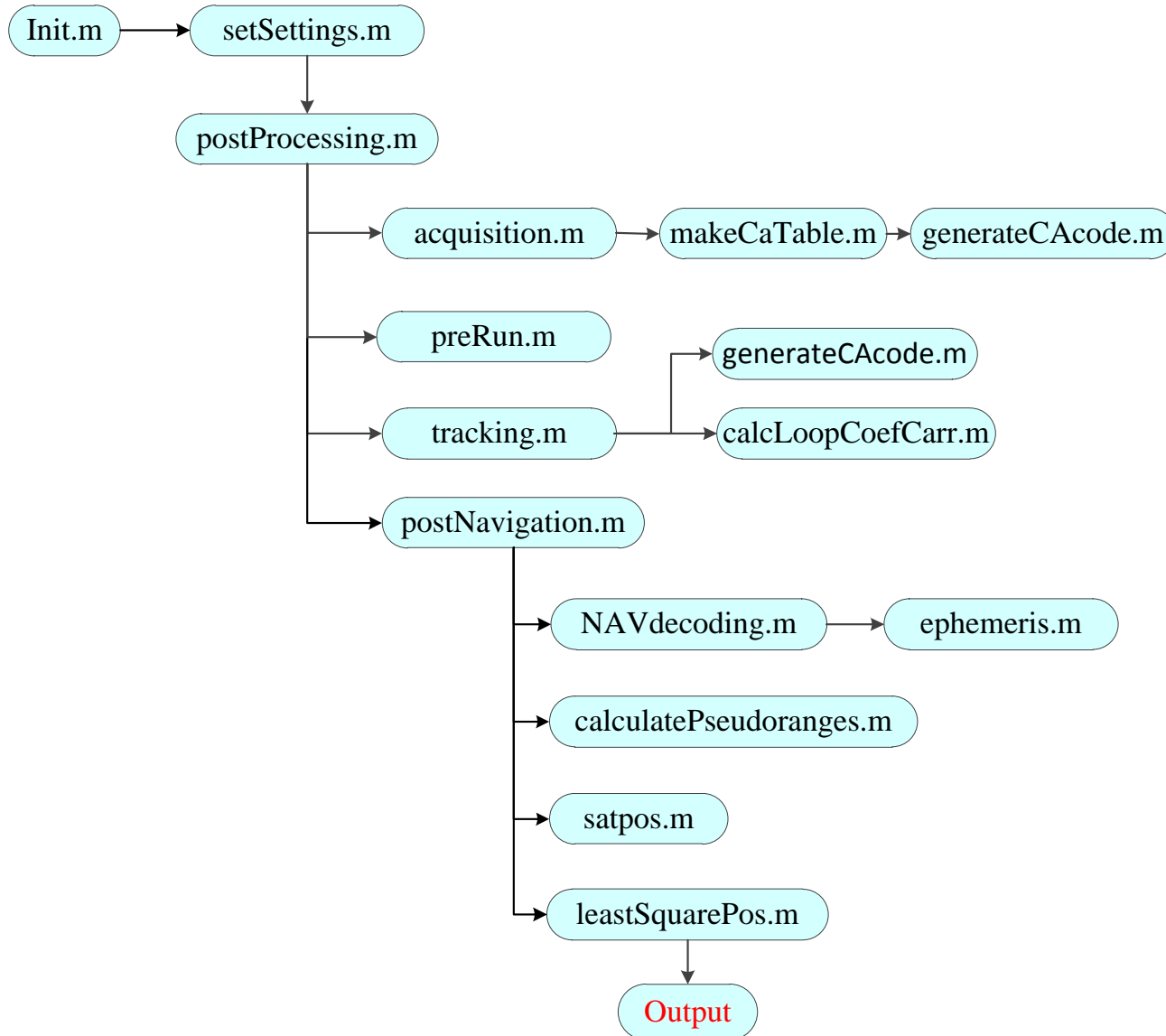


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Introduction (1/1)

- **This version SDR of the GPS L1 C/A is based on the one in the CD attached with the book**
Kai, B., Akos, D. M., Bertelsen, N., Rinder, P., & Jensen, S. H. (2007). A Software-Defined GPS and Galileo Receiver. Birkhäuser Boston.
- **In order to make all the SDRs have a similar structure, the original version is slightly modified.**
- **Some changes:**
 - **initSettings.m**
 - **acquisition.m**
 - **tracking.m**
 - **postNavigation.m**
 - **calculatePseudoranges.m**
 - **NAVdecoding.m**

SDR processing procedure



initSettings.m (1/1)

➤ Acquisition settings

- Sampling rate threshold for downsampling
 - If input signal sampling freq. is too high for FFT computation, it can be resampled to a lower freq. to save processing time.
 - `settings.resamplingThreshold = 8e6;`
- Enable/disable use of downsampling for acquisition
 - `settings.resamplingflag = 0;` % 0 – Off, 1 – On

➤ Tracking loops settings

- PLL and DLL integration time equals the C/A code length
 - `settings.intTime = 0.001;`

acquisition.m (1/5)

➤ Selectable downsampling

- (1) Filter out signal power outside the main lobe of CM code to avoid spectral folding
- `fs = settings.samplingFreq;`
- `IF = settings.IF;`
- `BW = 1.2e6*2;`
- `w1 = (IF)-BW/2;`
- `w2 = (IF)+BW/2;`
- `wp = [w1*2/fs-0.002 w2*2/fs+0.002];`
- `b = fir1(700,wp);`
- `longSignal = filtfilt(b,1,longSignal);`

acquisition.m (2/5)

➤ Selectable downsampling

- (2) Calculate upper and lower boundary of the acceptable sampling

Freq. range:

- `fu = settings.IF + BW/2;`
- `n = floor(fu/BW);`
- `if (n<1)`
- `n = 1;`
- `end`
- `lowerFreq = 2*fu/n;`
- `fl = settings.IF - BW/2;`
- `if(n>1)`
- `upperFreq = 2*fl/(n-1);`
- `else`
- `upperFreq = lowerFreq;`
- `end`

acquisition.m (3/5)

➤ Selectable downsampling

(3) Find downsampling frequency

- Take the center of the acceptable sampling Freq. range as downsampling frequency.
- `settings.samplingFreq = ceil((lowerFreq + upperFreq)/2);`

(4) Downsample input IF signals

- `signalLen = floor((length(longSignal)-1) / oldFreq * settings.samplingFreq);`
- `index = ceil((0:signalLen-1)/settings.samplingFreq * oldFreq);`
- `index(1) = 1;`
- `longSignal = longSignal(index);`

acquisition.m (4/5)

➤ Selectable downsampling

(5) Equivalent IF after downsampling

- Resampling is equivalent to down-converting the original IF by integer times of resampling freq.
- `settings.IF = rem(settings.IF, settings.samplingFreq);`

acquisition.m (5/5)

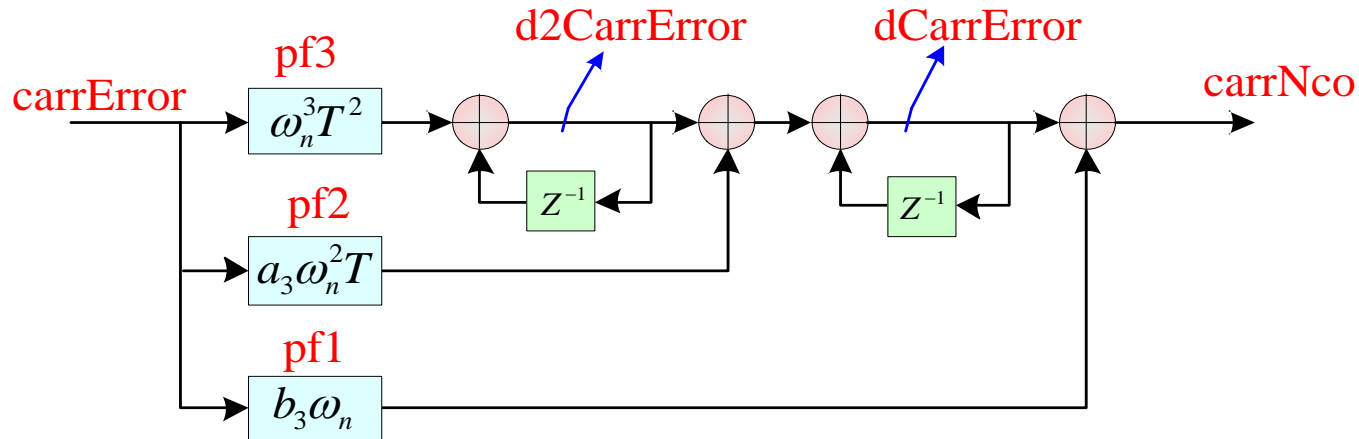
➤ Acquisition implementation

- Change fine acquisition results to correspond with original sampling frequency, if down-sampling is carried out.

- `acqResults.codePhase(PRN) = floor((codePhase - 1)/ settings.samplingFreq * oldFreq)+1;`
- `if (settings.IF >= settings.samplingFreq/2)`
- `IF_temp = settings.samplingFreq - settings.IF;`
- `doppler = IF_temp - acqResults.carrFreq(PRN);`
- `else`
- `doppler = acqResults.carrFreq(PRN) - settings.IF;`
- `end`

tracking.m (1/2)

- A 3-order PLL was used to improve dynamic performance of carrier tracking



tracking.m (2/2)

➤ PLL filter coefficients calculation

- `[pf3,pf2,pf1] = calcLoopCoefCarr(settings);`

➤ NCO update

- `d2CarrError = d2CarrError + carrError * pf3;`
- `dCarrError = d2CarrError + carrError * pf2 + dCarrError;`
- `carrNco = dCarrError + carrError * pf1;`

➤ Save remCodePhase for pseudorange calculation

- `trackResults(channelNr).remCodePhase(loopCnt) = remCodePhase;`

NAVdecoding.m (1/1)

➤ Bit and frame synchronization

- Same as the original '**findPreambles.m**'

➤ Ephemeris decoding

- Prepare data for ephemeris decoding

- `navBitsSamples = I_P_InputBits(subFrameStart - 20 : subFrameStart + (1500 * 20) - 1)';`
- `navBitsSamples = reshape(navBitsSamples, 20, (size(navBitsSamples, 1) / 20));`
- `navBits = sum(navBitsSamples);`
- `navBits = (navBits > 0);`
- `navBitsBin = dec2bin(navBits);`

- Decoding ephemeris

- `[eph, TOW] = ephemeris(navBitsBin(2:1501)', navBitsBin(1));`

postNavigation.m (1/1)

➤ Main changes

- Start and end of measurement points

- Measurement point begins at the latest start of first messages of all channels (**firstSubFrame**), and consider Doppler smoothing
- **for channelNr = activeChnList**
- **sampleStart(channelNr) = ...**
- **trackResults(channelNr).absoluteSample(firstSubFrame(channelNr));**
- **sampleEnd(channelNr) = trackResults(channelNr).absoluteSample(end);**
- **End**
- **...**

- Correct and save local time

- **localTime = localTime - xyzdt(4)/settings.c;**
- **navSolutions.localTime(currMeasNr) = localTime;**

- Update local time

- Except first time, local time is updated by measurement step
- **localTime = localTime + measSampleStep/settings.samplingFreq ;**

calculatePseudoranges.m (1/2)

➤ Signal transmitting time of measurement points

- Use method of hardware receiver
- More straightforward and more accurate

$$t_t = TOW + \left(\frac{\text{codePhase}}{\text{code length}} + \text{integer number of C/A code} \right) * 0.001$$

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· codePhase = trackResults(channelNr).remCodePhase(index) + ...  
· codePhaseStep * (currMeasSample - ...  
· trackResults(channelNr).absoluteSample(index) );  
· transmitTime(channelNr) = (codePhase/settings.codeLength + index - ...  
· subFrameStart(channelNr)) * settings.codeLength/...  
· settings.codeFreqBasis + TOW(channelNr);
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➤ Initialize signal receiving time (local time) t_r

- Use transmitting time and **settings.startOffset**
 - `maxTime = max(transmitTime(channelList));`
 - `localTime = maxTime + settings.startOffset/1000;`

calculatePseudoranges.m (2/2)

➤ Calculate pseudorange (PR)

$$PR = (t_r - t_t) * c$$

where, c - light speed

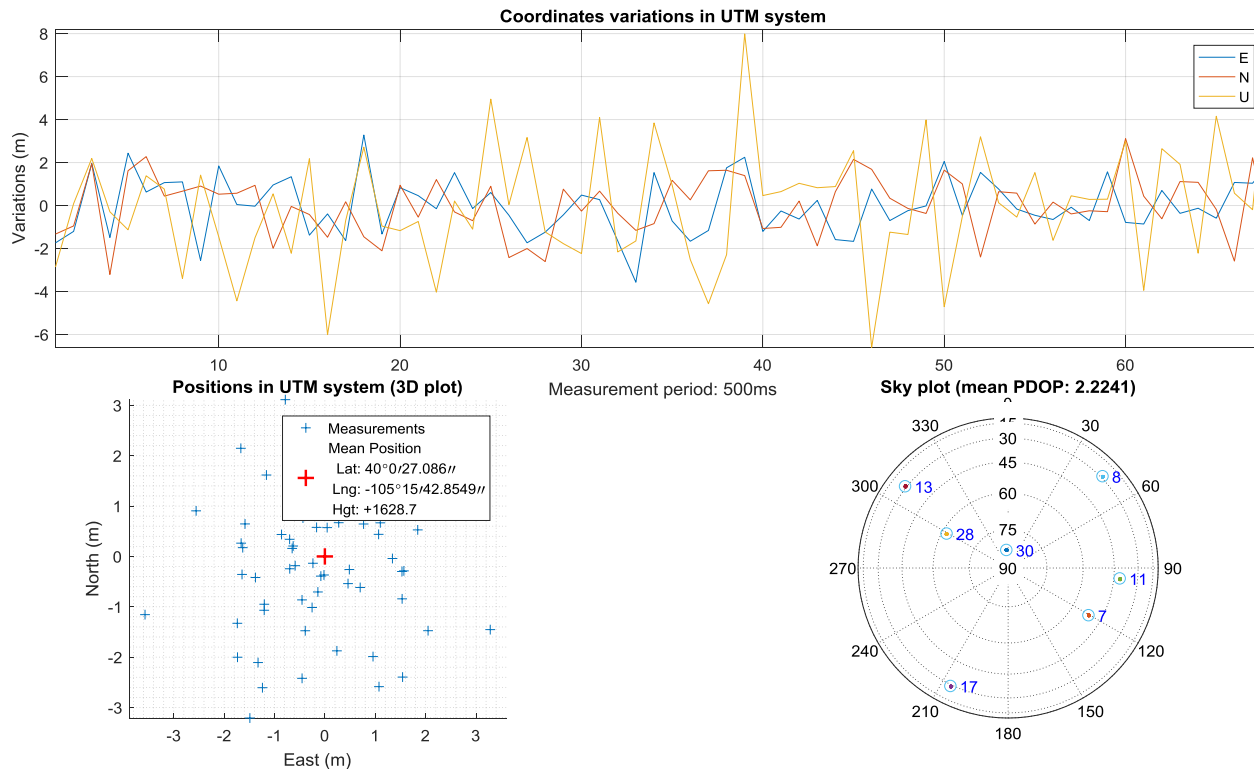
· `pseudoranges = (localTime - transmitTime) * settings.c;`

leastSquarePos.m (1/2)

➤ Receiver position calculation

- Not changed

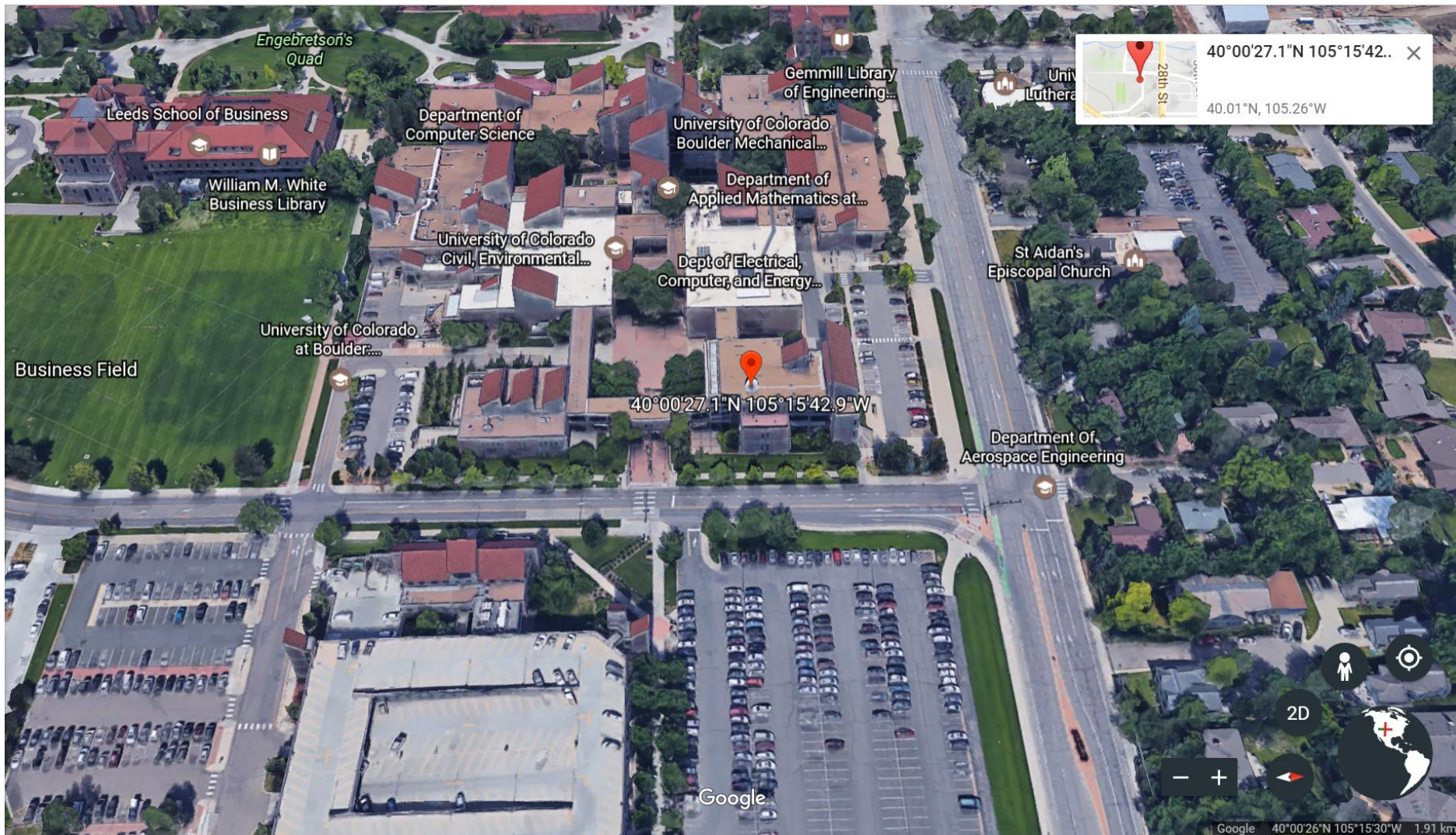
➤ Fix results



* The IF signal is collected on the roof of the Discovery Learning Center, CU-Boulder, USA.

leastSquarePos.m (2/2)

➤ Fix results



References

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Thank you!

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