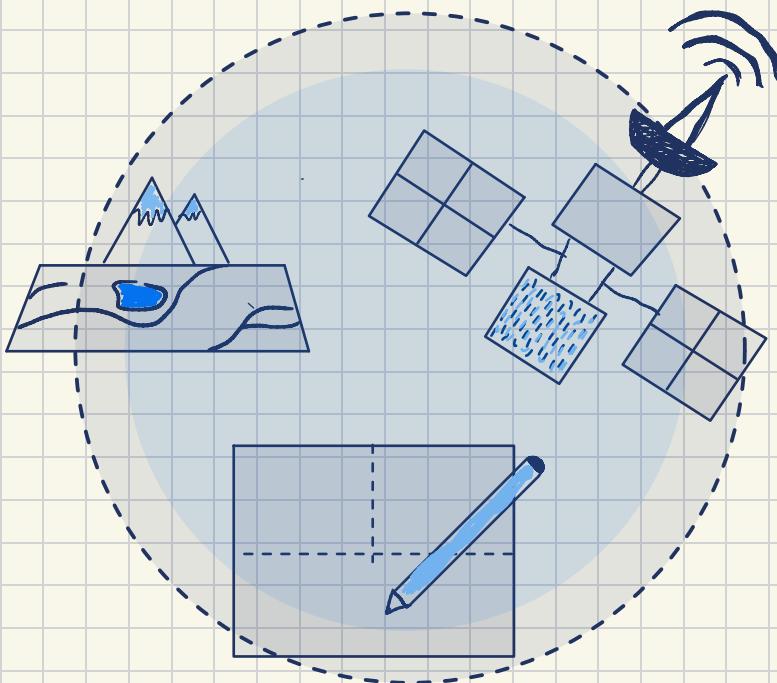




RSGNSS



Estimate Precipitable Water Vapor (PWV)

Steps

First: Tropospheric delay estimation using ERA5 data



Second: Tropospheric hydrostatic delay computation
using an empirical model



Third: Tropospheric wet delay calculation



Fourth: Tropospheric delay extraction
from IGS product



Fifth: Precipitable water vapor estimation

First: Tropospheric delay estimation using ERA5 data :

<https://cds.climate.copernicus.eu/cdsapp#!/dataset/reanalysis-era5-pressure-levels?tab=form>

Site

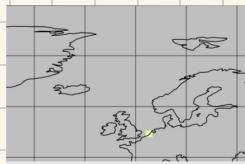
Weather data has been downloaded from the specified geographical location considering parameters such as temperature, geopotential, and relative humidity at the time of 19-july-2018.

Using the "Panoply" software temperature, relative humidity, geopotential, and pressure layers are extracted from the meteorological data.

The geopotential data needs to be converted to the height parameter (by dividing it by 9.81).

plotting parameters in Panoply software :

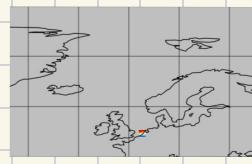
• Relative humidity



• Temperature



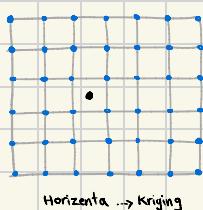
• Geopotential



Additionally, for interpolation we need the coordinates (x, y) of the desired station. (coordinates obtain from site).

for station's elevation, first determine the DEM of the region where the station is located. Then using the "Global Mapper" software, obtain the point's elevation.

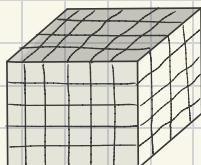
2D (X, Y)



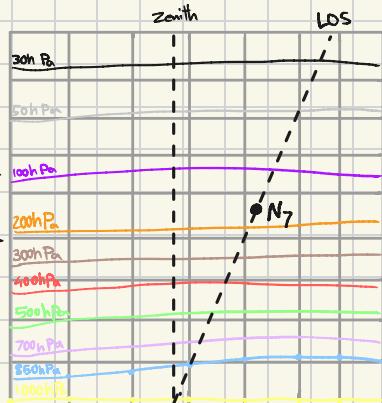
1D (Z)



3D



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Estimating Zenith Total Delay (ZTD) :

$$ZTD = 10^{-6} \int N(s) ds \rightarrow ZTD = 10^{-6} \int_{s_1}^{s_2} N_i(s) ds; \quad * \quad N = K_1 \left(\frac{P_d}{T} \right) Z_d^{-1} + K_2 \left(\frac{P_w}{T} \right) Z_w^{-1} + K_3 \left(\frac{P_w}{T} \right) Z_w^{-1}$$

$$N_{dry} = K_1 \left(\frac{P_d}{T} \right) Z_d^{-1}$$

$$N_{wet} = K_2 \left(\frac{P_w}{T} \right) Z_w^{-1} + K_3 \left(\frac{P_w}{T} \right) Z_w^{-1}$$

$$K_1 = (77.604 \pm 0.014) \text{ K}_\text{mbar} \quad K_2 = (64.79 \pm 0.08) \text{ K}_\text{mbar} \quad K_3 = 10^6 (3.776 \pm 0.004) \text{ K}_\text{mbar}$$

$P_w \rightarrow$ Water Vapor Pressure (mbar)
 $P_d \rightarrow$ Dry air Pressure (mbar)
 $Z_w \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Compressibility parameters} \\ \text{for dry & water vapor are} \end{array} \right.$
 $Z_d \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{considered, typically assumed to be} \\ \text{approximately 1 for both.} \end{array} \right.$

ZTD:

To calculate ZTD, initially, due to the atmospheric parameters being available in grid networks & the point is not precisely on this grid, We need to interpolate the atmospheric parameters. Both horizontal and Vertical interpolation are required in this context.

The troposphere has two components, Wet & Dry. For calculating the Refractivity delay, We separately calculate the delays for the wet & dry components.

For interpolation, calculate the Water Vapor pressure:

$$RH = 100 \times \frac{P \rightarrow \text{Water Vapor Pressure}}{P_s}$$

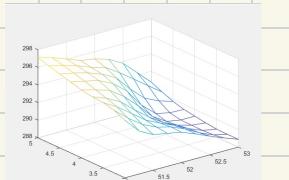
\downarrow
 Relative Humidity

$P_s = 6.11 \times 10 \left(\frac{17.27 T}{273.3 + T} \right)$
 \downarrow
 Saturation Vapor pressure

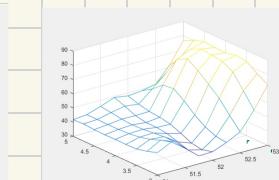
\rightarrow Temperature

Plotting interpolated atmospheric parameters:

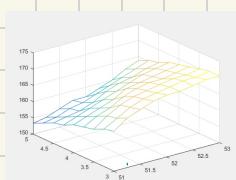
Temperature



Relative Humidity



Height



Second: Tropospheric hydrostatic delay (ZHD) Computation Using Saastamoinen model :

$$ZHD = \frac{0.002277 P_s}{(1 - 0.026 \cos(2\phi) - 0.00000028 H)}$$

Annotations:

- A blue arrow points from the term P_s to the text "Dry air pressure (mbar)".
- A blue bracket under the denominator indicates the terms $(1 - 0.026 \cos(2\phi))$ and $-0.00000028 H$.
- A blue arrow points from the term $\cos(2\phi)$ to the text "Geographical latitude".
- A blue arrow points from the term H to the text "Station elevation above sea level".

Third: Tropospheric wet delay calculation:

Tropospheric delay consists of both dry & wet components. Therefore, to calculate the tropospheric delay the following formula is used:

$$ZWD = ZTD - ZHD$$

Fourth: Tropospheric delay extraction from IGS product:

https://cddis.nasa.gov/Data_and_Derived_Products/GNSS/atmospheric_products.html

<ftp://cddis.nasa.gov/gnss/products/troposphere/zpd/>

ftp://www.igs.org/pub/data/format/sinex_tropo.txt

Download the tropospheric data for the specified station from the IGS website, considering the desired time & location. Then compare the downloaded file with estimated ZTD (with MATLAB) based on their times.

Compare this with meteorological data, which was downloaded on July 19, 2018, at 12:00. Also the IGS tropospheric data corresponds to the 179th day, meaning July 19, 2018. The IGS data is collected every 300 seconds, or every 5 minutes, on this day.

To compare the obtained ZTD through programming (MATLAB) with the ZTD available in the IGS file, we need to synchronize the time scales. In the IGS station data, locate the time 12:00, reference time being 00:00, and since each hour is 3600 seconds, 12:00 corresponds to the second 43200. Therefore, in the row where the time is 43200, it corresponds to the meteorological data on July 19, 2018, at 12:00. The ZTD parameter is found in the TOTOT column.

Fifth: Precipitable water vapor estimation:

$$PWV = \Pi(T_m) \cdot ZWD$$

$$T_m = \frac{\int \left(\frac{P_v}{T} \right) dz}{\int \left(\frac{P_v}{T^2} \right) dz}$$

Water Vapor Pressure

Weighted average temperature of the atmosphere

$$\Pi = \frac{10^6}{\rho R_v \left[\left(K_3 / T_m \right) + K_2 \right]}, \quad K_2' = 24 \pm 11$$

$\rho = 997 \text{ kg/m}^3$

$R_v = 461.5 \text{ J/kg.K}$

Density of water

Specific gas constant for water vapor

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MATLAB
CODE
&
Data

```
clc
```

```
clear all
```

```
close all
```

```
%%%%% step 1
```

```
%%%%% %load ERA-5 data
```

```
%%%%load latitude
```

```
latt=fopen('latitude.txt');  
formatSpec='%f %f'; %column  
lattt=textscan(latt,formatSpec,'Headerlines',1);  
latitude=cell2mat(lattt); %convert to matrix  
fclose(latt);
```

```
%%%%load longitude
```

```
longg=fopen('longitude.txt');  
formatSpec='%f %f';  
longgg=textscan(longg,formatSpec,'Headerlines',1);  
longitude=cell2mat(longgg);  
fclose(longg);
```

```
%%%%load temperature
```

```
tt=fopen('t.txt');  
formatSpec='%f %f %f %f %f';  
ttt=textscan(tt,formatSpec,'Headerlines',1);  
temperature=cell2mat(ttt);  
fclose(tt);
```

```
%%%%load geopotential
```

```
zz=fopen('z.txt');  
formatSpec='%f %f %f %f %f';  
zzz=textscan(zz,formatSpec,'Headerlines',1);  
geopotential=cell2mat(zzz);  
fclose(zz);
```

```
%%%%load Pressurelevel
```

```
ll=fopen('level.txt');  
formatSpec='%f %f';  
l=textscan(ll,formatSpec,'Headerlines',1);  
Pressurelevel=cell2mat(l);  
fclose(ll);
```

```
%%%%load relative humidity
```

```
rr=fopen('r.txt');  
formatSpec='%f %f %f %f %f';  
rrr=textscan(rr,formatSpec,'Headerlines',1);  
relativehumidity=cell2mat(rrr);  
fclose(rr);
```

MATLAB CODE 1



latitude	latitude
53.0	53.0
52.75	52.75
52.5	52.5
52.25	52.25
52.0	52.0
51.75	51.75
51.5515	51.5515
51.25	51.25
51.0510	51.0510



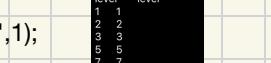
longitude	longitude
3.0	3.0
3.25	3.25
3.5	3.5
3.75	3.75
4.0	4.0
4.25	4.25
4.5	4.5
4.75	4.75
5.0	5.0



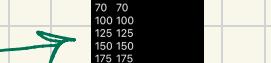
time	level	latitude	longitude	t
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1039164	1	53.0	3.25	269.71623097530316
1039164	1	53.0	3.5	269.489062844223
1039164	1	53.0	3.75	270.725282744695
1039164	1	53.0	4.0	270.38666599756394
1039164	1	53.0	4.25	270.652563660006
1039164	1	53.0	4.5	270.652563660006
1039164	1	53.0	4.75	270.652563660006
1039164	1	53.0	5.0	270.592691589123
1039164	1	52.75	3.0	269.879463322331
1039164	1	52.75	3.25	270.11880902545636
1039164	1	52.75	3.5	270.399324457716
1039164	1	52.75	3.75	270.526705889917
1039164	1	52.75	4.0	270.66599579437195



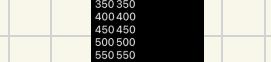
level	level
1	1
2	2
3	3
5	5
7	7
10	10
20	20
30	30
50	50
70	70
100	100
125	125
150	150
175	175
200	200
225	225
250	250
300	300
350	350
400	400
450	450
500	500
550	550
600	600
650	650
700	700
750	750
775	775
800	800
825	825
850	850
875	875
900	900
925	925
950	950
975	975
1000	1000



time	level	latitude	longitude	z
1039164	1	53.0	3.0	482832.4051617482
1039164	1	53.0	3.25	482831.74051617482
1039164	1	53.0	3.5	482831.74051617482
1039164	1	53.0	3.75	482832.4051617482
1039164	1	53.0	4.0	482809.7154852445
1039164	1	53.0	4.25	482783.02560874093
1039164	1	53.0	4.5	482783.02560874093
1039164	1	53.0	4.75	482783.02560874093
1039164	1	53.0	5.0	482783.02560874093
1039164	1	52.75	3.0	482772.9912398585
1039164	1	52.75	3.25	482765.6464573737
1039164	1	52.75	3.5	482750.956793793004
1039164	1	52.75	3.75	482750.956793793004



time	level	latitude	longitude	r
1039164	1	53.0	3.0	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	53.0	3.25	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	53.0	3.5	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	53.0	3.75	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	53.0	4.0	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	53.0	4.25	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	53.0	4.5	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	53.0	4.75	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	52.75	3.0	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	52.75	3.25	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	52.75	3.5	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	52.75	3.75	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	52.75	4.0	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	52.75	4.25	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	52.75	4.5	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	52.75	4.75	1.2464144674595445E-4
1039164	1	52.75	5.0	1.2464144674595445E-4



MATLAB CODE 2

%%%%% Separate the parameters

```
r=relativehumidity(:,5);  
z=geopotential(:,5);  
t=temperature(:,5);  
lat=latitude(:,1);  
long=longitude(:,1);  
level=Pressurelevel(:,1);  
h=z./(9.8); %%Convert Geopotential to Height
```

%Create Meshgrid for 2D Interpolation

```
[latmeshgrid,longmeshgrid]=meshgrid(lat,long);  
%Station coordinates  
ydef=4.3874583;  
xdef=51.9860194;  
zdef=-0.152;
```

%interp 2D temperature

```
for i=1:37  
    t_layers(1:81,i)=t(i*81-80:i*81,1);  
    for j=1:9  
        t_regular(1:9,j,i)=t_layers((9*j)-8:9*j,i);  
    end  
    t_interp2(i,1:9)=interp2(latmeshgrid,longmeshgrid,t_regular(:,:,i),xdef,ydef,'spline');  
end
```

%interp 2D relativehumidity

```
for i=1:37  
    r_layers(1:81,i)=r(i*81-80:i*81,1);  
    for j=1:9  
        r_regular(1:9,j,i)=r_layers((9*j)-8:9*j,i);  
    end  
    r_interp2(i,1)=interp2(latmeshgrid,longmeshgrid,r_regular(:,:,i),xdef,ydef,'spline');  
end
```

%%%interp 2D Height

```
for i=1:37  
    h_layers(1:81,i)=h(i*81-80:i*81,1);  
    for j=1:9  
        h_regular(1:9,j,i)=h_layers((9*j)-8:9*j,i);  
    end  
    h_interp2(i,1)=interp2(latmeshgrid,longmeshgrid,h_regular(:,:,i),xdef,ydef,'spline');  
end '
```

MATLAB CODE 3

% %plot internalized parameters

for i=1:37

mesh(latmeshgrid,longmeshgrid,t_regular(:,:,i));

mesh(latmeshgrid,longmeshgrid,r_regular(:,:,i));

mesh(latmeshgrid,longmeshgrid,h_regular(:,:,i));

end

t_interpolation=t_interp2(:,1);

r_interpolation=r_interp2(:,1);

h_interpolation=h_interp2(:,1);

%Calculate the actual water vapor pressure

tcel=t_interpolation-273; % kelvin-273=celcius

for i=1:37

Ps(i,1)=6.11*exp(17.27*tcel(i,1)/(237.3+tcel(i,1)));% saturation vapor pressure

P(i,1)=r_interpolation(i,1)*Ps(i,1)/100; %the actual water vapor pressure

end

%1D interpolation parameters

r_interp=interp1(h_interpolation,r_interpolation,zdelf,'spline'); %Station relativehumidity

t_interp=interp1(h_interpolation,t_interpolation,zdelf,'spline'); %Station temperature

p_interp=interp1(h_interpolation,level,zdelf,'spline');%Station Height

%%%Estimation ZTD

%constant values

k1=77.604;

k2=64.79;

k3=3.776*(10^5);

for i=1:36

Pmean(i,1)=((P(i,1)+P(i+1,1)))./2; %Average water vapor pressure

Tmean(i,1)=((t_interp2(i,1)+t_interp2(i+1,1)))./2;%Average temperature

Levelmean(i,1)=(level(i,1)+level(i+1,1))./2;%Average pressure Levels

dz(i,1)=(h_interp2(i+1,1)-h_interp2(i,1)); %Height between layer

Nd(i,1)=k1*(Levelmean(i,1)./(Tmean(i,1))); %Dry tropospheric delay

Nw(i,1)=k2*(Pmean(i,1)./Tmean(i,1))+k3*(Pmean(i,1)./(Tmean(i,1)^2));% Wet tropospheric

delay

ZTD=(sum(-1*(10^-6*Nd.*dz))+sum(-1*(10^-6*Nw.*dz))); %% -1 because of Delay

%%% Step 2 Calculate ZHD using the experimental formula

ZHDS=(0.002277*p_interp)/(1-0.0026*cosd(2*ydelf)-0.00000028*(zdelf));

MATLAB CODE 4

%%%Step 3 Calculate Zenith Wet Delay

ZWD=ZTD-ZHDs;

%%%Step 4 read IGS file

```
DELF=fopen('dlf11790.18zpd');
formatSpec='%s %s %f %f %f %f %f %f';
fileIGS=textscan(DELF,formatSpec,'Headerlines',44);
fclose(DELF);
b=fileIGS(:,3);
ZTD_I=b{:,1};
ZTD_IGS=ZTD_I(145,1);
Difference=ZTD_IGS./1000-ZTD; %1000 because of Unit
```

%%% Step 5 Calculate Percipitable Water Vapor (PWV)

%%% Calculate Tm

```
for i=1:36
soorat(i,1)=((P(i,1)+P(i+1,1))/2)/((t_interpolation(i,1)+t_interpolation(i+1,1))/2);
makhradj(i,1)=((P(i,1)+P(i+1,1))/2)/(((t_interpolation(i,1)+t_interpolation(i+1,1))/2)^2);
end
dzz=dz(:,1);
sorat=soorat(:,1).*dzz(:,1);
makhradj=makhradj(:,1).*dzz(:,1);
sigma_soorat=sum(sorat); % Integral
sigma_makhradj=sum(makhradj); % Integral
Tm=sigma_soorat./sigma_makhradj;
Rv=461.5; % Gas constant of water vapor
DW=997; %Density water
k_prim=24;
coefficient=(10^6)/(DW.*Rv.*((k3./Tm)+k_prim));
pwv=coefficient.*ZWD(1,1);
```

%%%THE END%%%%

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