
Static and Kinematic Precise Point Positioning with gd2p.pl (GNSS Data 2 Position)

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Introduction to gd2p.pl



- gd2p - GNSS data 2 Position
- High Level Gipsy interface for processing data from a single GPS receiver (or GLONASS).
 - gd2p.pl is the preferred black box for single receiver data
 - Easy to make changes to existing run, (e.g. run_again)
 - Better error detection
 - Small output to STDERR with early detection of errors.
 - Static Point Positioning
 - Kinematic Point Positioning
 - Use care in initialization

Examples of gd2p Applications



- Precise point positioning: static and kinematic
 - Single receiver ambiguity resolution (gd2p.pl with wlpb files.)
 - Resolves integer biases in phase measurements to improve accuracy.
 - Network solutions using smapper and resolvemerged.
 - Described in Release Notes for version 6.1.2.
- Troposphere estimation.
- Automatic Precise Point Positioning Service (APPS).
 - <http://apps.gdgps.net>
- Precise orbit determination.
 - Low Earth Orbiters
 - Used operationally for Jason-1, GRACE, CHAMP, SACC, COSMIC, Jason-2.
- Past applications also include:
 - Shuttle Radar Topography Mission.
 - Antarctic Ice Flow Studies

Help for gd2p Flags



- `gd2p.pl -h | more`
 - Gives the entire help/man; written in POD (Plain Old Documentation)
- `gd2p.pl -h_sub`
 - Gives a listing of subtopics.
 - `h_global` – Help on flags that apply to multiple steps
 - `h_edit` – Help on editing data
 - `h_model` – Help on qgres/measurement model
 - `h_wash` – Help on filter/smooth
 - `h_orbit` – Help on orbiter solution options
 - `h_examples` – Example runs
 - `h_files` – Input/output file information
 - `h_env` – Help on environment variables
- **Beginners should start with `-h_examples`.**

Point Positioning Examples from gd2p.pl –h_examples



- gd2p.pl –h_examples | more
 - Yields many examples
- 5-minute data, static position, nominal position from the station database (\$GOA_VAR/sta_info), troposphere, clock, and position adjusted.
 - Same example from GIPSY Overview package.
(gd2p.pl -i \$GOA/class_gd2p/gol20100.10o -n GOL2 -r 300 -type s -d 2010-01-10 > gd2p.log) > & gd2p.err &
 - Simple command to automatically invoke the necessary GIPSY modules and to generate the required input namelist files.
 - Motivating reasons for gd2p.
 - Point positioning should be simple.
 - Input RINEX and output precise point position solution.

gd2p flag Details



- Details on flags are easy to find in the help.
 - **gd2p.pl -h | more**
 - Search for “*-flag*” where *flag* is the appropriate string.
 - For example, if you look for –tides:
-tides [WahrK1 PolTid FreqDepLove OctTid]
Adds solid tide models to the station qregres namelist.

Default tide model includes WahrK1 and PolTid. WahrK1 is a subset of FreqDepLove. Any input will override the default values with the input list. To turn off all the solid tides just use the option with an empty list (e.g., -tides).

gd2p Files (-h_files)



- gd2p produces many files.
`gd2p.pl -h_files | more`
- **Also refer to GIPSY Overview package for description of many of these files.**

Defining a Base Working Directory for Examples



- In this package, examples assume a working directory defined by the user with **absolute** path name: **WORKDIR**.
- Examples will be relative to this user-defined working directory.

mkdir WORKDIR

cd WORKDIR

Fetch JPL Orbit/Clock Products for Examples



- `gd2p.pl` by default will fetch orbit/clock products from JPL's host server.
 - See `-orb_clk` flag.
- To avoid ftp fetch for same products, download files needed for examples one time only.

`mkdir jplorbclk`

`cd jplorbclk`

`goa_prod_ftp.pl -d 2010-01-10 -s flinnR -hr`

- Or copy output from example from `$GOA`:
`cp $GOA/class_gd2p/orbits_forclass/* .`

`ls`

2010-01-10.ant.gz 2010-01-10.frame.gz 2010-01-10.pos.gz 2010-01-10.tdp.gz
2010-01-10.eo.gz 2010-01-10_hr.tdp.gz 2010-01-10.shad.gz 2010-01-10.wlpb.gz

Example 1: Receiver Position and Clock Only



- Basic example, adjusting position and clock only.
 - **WARNING: NOT advisable to ignore troposphere.**
 - This example is just a starting point for other examples.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir spp1
```

```
cd spp1
```

```
( gd2p.pl -i $GOA/class_gd2p/gol20100.10o -n GOL2 -d 2010-01-10
-r 300 -type s -w_elmin 15 -e "-a 20 -PC -LC -F" -pb_min_slip 1.0e-3
-pb_min_elev 30 -amb_res 2 -dwght 1.0e-5 1.0e-3 -post_wind 5.0e-3
5.0e-5 -trop_z_rw -1.0 -tides -orb_clk "flinnR WORKDIR/jplorbclk" >
gd2p.log ) >& gd2p.err
```

- Could also use defaults for many of these options.
 - Defaults intentionally not used to highlight options.

Example 1: Summary of options used.

Option	Description (Required options in bold, others have defaults)
-i	Input RINEX file
-n	Name of Receiver
-d	Day to process. Used to define daily orbit/clock product to use.
-r	Measurement data rate to output from data editor for the filter.
-type	Type of positioning (s for static, k for kinematic)
-w_elmin	Minimum elevation angle cutoff. (usually 7 or 15 degrees)
-e	Quoted string of flags to pass to data editor. This example says used minimum arc length of 20 minutes, LC and PC data
-dwght	Phase and range data weights in km. Usually LC=1 cm and PC=1 meter.
-post_wind	Final postfit range and phase window in km for edit point cycle. (5-sigma)
-pb_min_slip	Minimum slip for inserting phase break in postbreak (km)
-pb_min_elev	Minimum elevation angle at which postbreak criteria are applied.
-amb_res	Number of iterations for ambiguity resolution with wlpb file.
-trop_z_rw	Random walk parameter for zenith troposphere. Negative means not estimated.
-tides	Tide models to apply to station model. Empty list means no tides modeled.
-orb_clk	Defines type and location of orbit and clock products for transmitting satellites.

*Be Careful of
Reverse Order*

Example 1: Which Orbit/Clock Products



- gd2p defaults to automatically downloading and using JPL's final (flinnR) orbit/clock products.
 - Equivalent to using `-orb_clk flinnR` option.
 - In this example, pointed to a local directory containing required "flinnR" orbit/clock products.
- Will automatically apply transmitter antenna calibrations identified in YYYY-MM-DD.ant.gz file in product package for that day.
- Other possibilities:
 - Use JPL's Rapid (qlR) or Ultra-Rapid products (ultra)
 - Explicitly point to a local archive of products with the same naming convention of the product type.
 - See `-orb_clk` option.

Example 1: Useful output from gd2p



- *gd2p.log* provides summary of GIPSY modules executed.
- *gd2p.err* provides summary of any error or warning messages.
- *logs* directory provides output logs from some of the executed GIPSY modules.
 - Refer to **GIPSY Overview** for more details about executed modules.
- *run_again* script created by *gd2p.pl*.
 - Can be used to duplicate this run exactly with all options used, e.g.,
cat run_again
 - Could either edit this file or make a copy, modify options, and re-run.
 - Will do this in following gd2p examples.

Example 1: First look at run



- First sign of trouble is existence of file “EDIT_POINT_FAILURE”
 - The edit point “wash” cycle failed to converge.
 - See also gd2p.err
- cat gd2p.err
 - Indicates edit point failed to converge.
- Potential sign of trouble is large phase (LC) post-fit residuals and large number of phase (LC) outliers.
 - Typical LC RMS of residuals is < 1 cm.
 - Typical PC RMS of residuals is 20-80 cm.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	1.5847E-05	1938	230
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	3.8335E-04	2168	0

Example 1: Check postfit residuals



- Generate tables of LC and PC postfit residuals.

residuals.pl

```
cat residuals.txt | awk '{if ($4 == 120) print $0}' | cl h1 5 > spp1_lc_res.txt
```

```
cat residuals.txt | awk '{if ($4 == 110) print $0}' | cl h1 5 > spp1_pc_res.txt
```

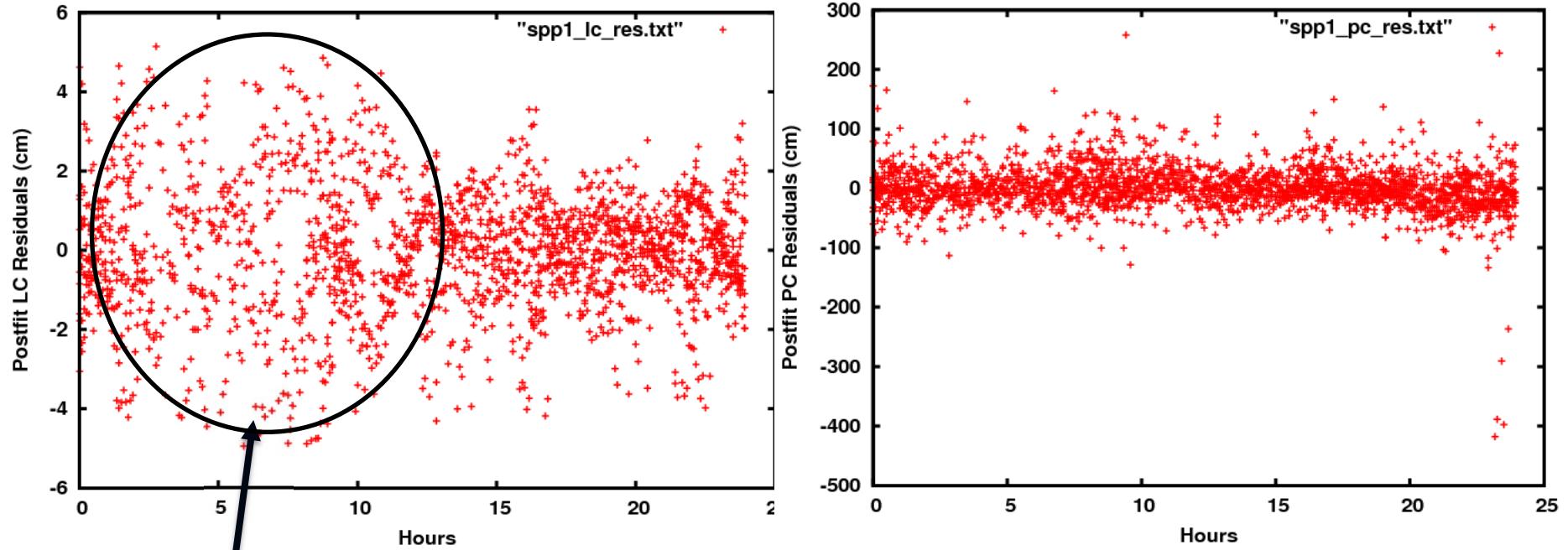
- Same approach used to generate sppN_XX_res.txt files for future examples.
- NOTE: **cl h1 5** equivalent to **cl '(c1-f1)/3600' 5**
 - hN means use column N to determine time in hours with respect to time on first line.

- Generate plots of LC and PC postfit residuals.

```
gnup -p spp1_lc_res.txt -xl 'Hours' -yl 'Postfit LC Residuals (cm)'
```

```
gnup -p spp1_pc_res.txt -xl 'Hours' -yl 'Postfit PC Residuals (cm)'
```

Example 1: Plots of postfit residuals



- Higher residuals in first half of the day are suspicious.
- cm-level LC residuals is higher than expected.

Example 1: Where is the solution



- Note: Two solutions actually generated by gd2p because non-zero `-amb_res` option used.
 - 1: Pre-ambiguity resolution solution.
 - Post-fit RMS of residuals in `Postfit.sum`, and solution in `tdp_final_pre_amb`
 - 2: Post-ambiguity resolution solution.
 - Post-fit RMS of residuals in `Postfit_amb.sum`, and solution in `tdp_final`
- TDP files (`tdp_final`, `tdp_final_pre_amb`) provide all parameters that were adjusted (estimated) from the provided nominals.
 - Nominal (provided first guess) in column 2.
 - Solution (sum total of nominal and estimated adjustment) in column 3.

Example 1: Content of TDP file



- TDP files indicate which parameters were estimated.
 - Minimum set of parameters in static PPP gd2p run:
 - Receiver clock defined by **STA BIAS (km)**
 - Phase biases defined by **PB GPSXX (km)**
 - Station position in **STA X, STA Y, STA Z (km)**
 - Anything else?
`grep -v "STA BIAS" tdp_final | grep -v "PB GPS" | grep -v "STA [XYZ]"`
 - Only dummy parameter left, “DUM”, used by filter.

Example 2: Add zenith troposphere estimation



- Add estimation of zenith troposphere.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir spp2
```

```
cd spp2
```

```
cp ../spp1/run_again r2    # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Edit script r2, and change zenith troposphere line to:

```
-trop_z_rw 5.0e-8 \
```

- Experience has shown recommended random walk value of 5.0e-8 km/sqrt(sec) for static positioning.

- Execute script

```
./r2
```

Example 2: First look at run

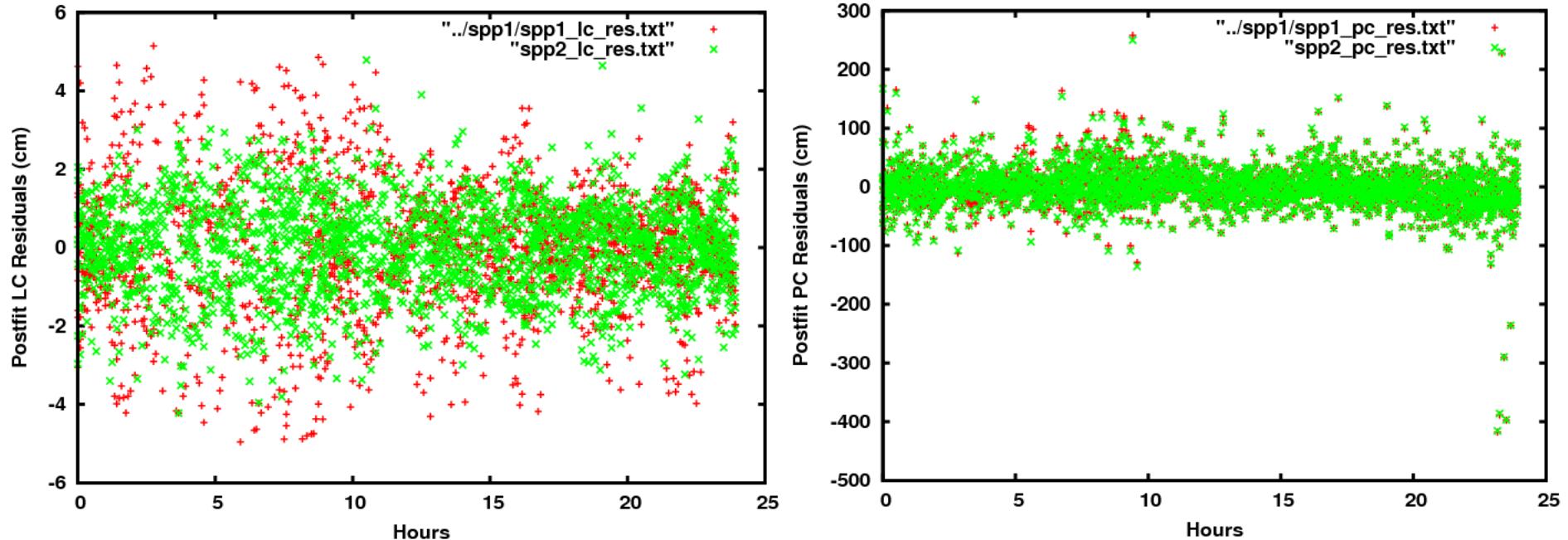


- Edit point cycle seems to have converged – Good news.
 - No “EDIT_POINT_FAILURE” file.
 - No errors in gd2p.err file.
 - Just some warnings that the regres file (rgfile) was modified from its original qregres output.
 - Expected with outlier editing and ambiguity resolution.
- Postfit phase (LC) residuals are significantly smaller AND many fewer outliers.
 - Estimating more parameters (troposphere) might explain smaller residuals, but still good news.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	1.1738E-05	2157	11
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	3.7924E-04	2168	0

Example 2: Plots of postfit residuals



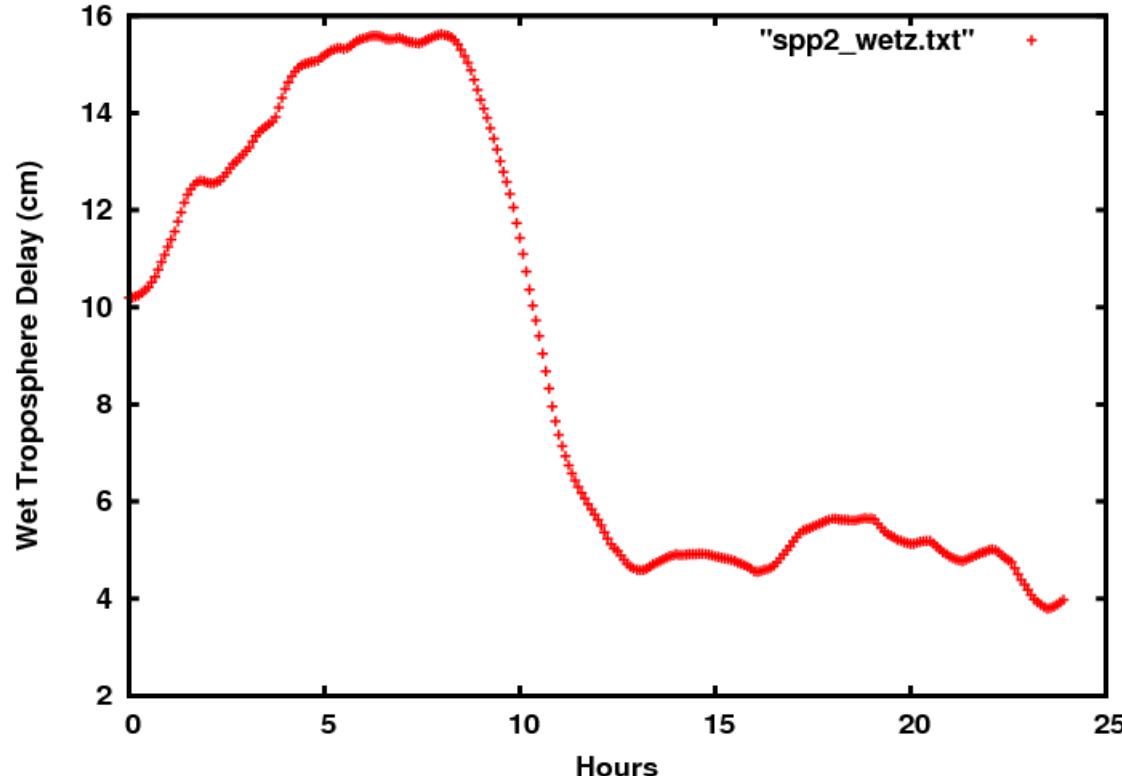
```
gnup -p ..../spp1/spp1_lc_res.txt spp2_lc_res.txt -xl 'Hours' -yl 'Postfit LC Residuals (cm)'
gnup -p ..../spp1/spp1_pc_res.txt spp2_pc_res.txt -xl 'Hours' -yl 'Postfit PC Residuals (cm)'
```

- Scatter of residuals improved in first half of day.
 - Probably have wet troposphere conditions.

Example 2: Plot Troposphere Solution

Units of troposphere parameters in tdp file is m. All other parameters use km.

```
grep WETZ tdp_final | cl h1 '1.0e2*c3' > spp2_wetz.txt  
gnup -p spp2_wetz.txt -xl 'Hours' -yl 'Wet Troposphere Delay (cm)'
```



Example 2: What changed?



- Compare qregres namelists from Examples 1 and 2.

diff qregres.nml ../spp1/qregres.nml

- No changes, except generation time.
- Means that none of the models changed.

- Compare wash namelists from Examples 1 and 2.

diff wash.nml ../spp1/wash.nml

< WETZTROP = .TRUE.

< TROPDRIFT = 5.0e-8

> WETZTROP = .FALSE.

> TROPDRIFT = -1.0

- Zenith troposphere estimation turned on in example 2.

Example 2: First look at solution



- What were the additional parameters estimated?

```
grep -v "STA BIAS" tdp_final | grep -v "PB GPS" | grep -v "STA [XYZ]"
```

- Zenith troposphere estimates, **WETZTROP**, now in TDP file.
- WETZTROP has units of meters.
- **NOTE: This parameter includes zenith wet troposphere and any error in the nominal value of the dry troposphere.**
- Nominal value of dry troposphere for this run is 2.0507 meters.
 - More on this later.

```
grep DRY qregres.nml
```

```
NMLTROP_DRY( 1) = 2.0507
```

- NOTE: Default NIELL troposphere mapping function used in run.
 - Maps line-of-sight to zenith.

```
grep NMLTropMap qregres.nml
```

```
NMLTropMap( 1) = 'NIELL'
```

Example 3: Use Tide Models



- Add solid Earth tide models for station position.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir spp3
```

```
cd spp3
```

```
cp ../spp2/run_again r3      # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Edit script r3, and change tide models line.

```
-tides WahrK1 FreqDepLove OctTid PolTid \
```

- WahrK1, FreqDepLove, and OctTid invoke complete solid Earth tide models from IERS standards.

- Note: WahrK1 is just a subset of FreqDepLove

- PolTide invokes solid Earth pole tide from IERS standards.

- Execute script

```
./r3
```

Example 3: Looking at run

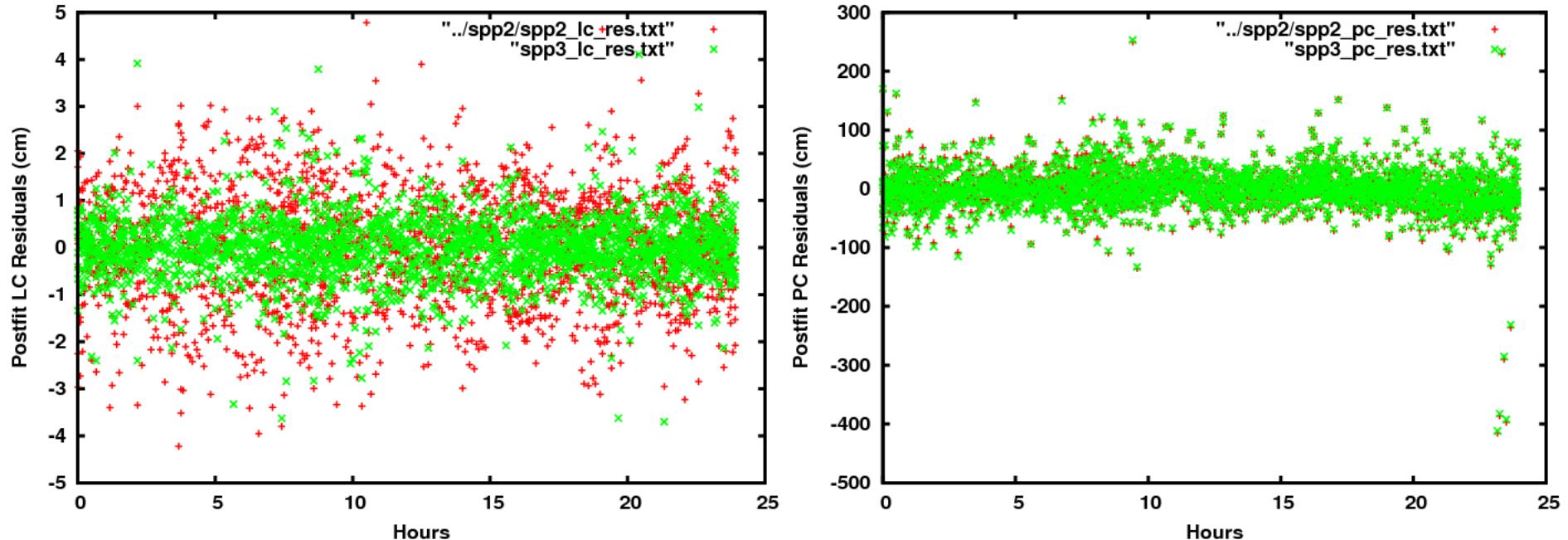


- Edit point cycle converged – Good news.
 - No “EDIT_POINT_FAILURE” file.
 - No errors in gd2p.err.
- Postfit phase (LC) residuals are significantly smaller AND fewer outliers.
 - No additional parameters estimated, so smaller residuals and fewer outliers indicates tide models are helping.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	6.8493E-06	2167	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	3.7494E-04	2168	0

Example 3: Plots of postfit residuals



```
gnup -p ..../spp2/spp2_lc_res.txt spp3_lc_res.txt -xl 'Hours' -yl 'Postfit LC Residuals (cm)'  
gnup -p ..../spp2/spp2_pc_res.txt spp3_pc_res.txt -xl 'Hours' -yl 'Postfit PC Residuals (cm)'
```

- Reduced (improved) scatter of LC residuals.

Example 3: What changed?



- Compare qregres namelists from Examples 2 and 3.

diff qregres.nml .../spp2/qregres.nml

< NMLFreqDepLove = .TRUE.

< NMLOctTid = .TRUE.

< NMLPolTid = .TRUE.

> NMLSolidTideOn(1) = .FALSE.

– Solid earth tide models turned on in example 3.

- WahrK1 not explicitly found because it is a subset of FreqDepLove.

- Compare wash namelists from Examples 2 and 3.

diff wash.nml .../spp2/wash.nml

– No differences.

- No change to estimation strategy.

Example 3: First look at solution.



- Verify no additional parameters estimated:

```
grep -v "STA BIAS" tdp_final | grep -v "PB GPS" | grep -v "STA [XYZ]" |  
grep -v "WETZ"
```

- Only dummy parameter left, “DUM”, used by filter.

Example 4: Add ocean load tide model

- Add ocean load tide model for station position.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir spp4
```

```
cd spp4
```

```
cp ..//spp3/run_again r4    # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Edit script r4, and add two lines.

```
-add_ocnld \
```

```
-OcnldCpn \
```

- Execute script

```
./r4
```

Example 4: Ocean load tide flags



- **-addocnld** adds ocean load tide coefficients to qregres.nml.
 - 11 tidal frequencies, M2, S2, K2, N2, K1, O1, P1, Q1, Mf, Mm, Ssa.
 - NOTE: Default uses ocean load tide coefficients from:
 - \$GOA_VAR/sta_info/ocnld_coeff_cm_got48ac_wtpxo8ofunc
 - Could point to your own database by using the following option:
 - **-add_ocnld “-c your_own_ocean_loading_coefficient_file”**
 - E.g. use <http://holt.oso.chalmers.se/loading/>
 - NOTE: When using JPL's orbit and clock products be sure to use load tide coefficients with respect to center of mass of solid Earth + oceans.
 - JPL's orbit/clock products are delivered with respect to center of mass of total Earth system.
- **-OcnldCpn** uses 11 tidal frequencies to infer other frequencies (hardisp.f from IERS standards)

Example 4: First look at run.



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- Additional reduction in RMS of postfit phase (LC) residuals, without estimating any new parameters.
 - Load tide model seems to add value.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	6.6587E-06	2167	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	3.7503E-04	2168	0

Example 4: What changed?



- Compare qregres namelists from Examples 3 and 4.

diff qregres.nml .../spp3/qregres.nml

- -add_ocnld adds the amplitude and phase of ocean load tides at 11 frequencies:

NMLOceanLoad(1) = .true.

NMLOcnLoad_Amp(1, *, 1)

NMLOcnLoad_Ph(1, *, 1)

- -OcnldCpn adds the following:

NMLOcnldCpn = .TRUE.

- Presently invoking IERS hardisp subroutine.

- Compare wash namelists from Examples 3 and 4.

diff wash.nml .../spp3/wash.nml

- No differences.

- No change to estimation strategy.

Example 4: First look at solution



- Verify no additional parameters estimated:

```
grep -v "STA BIAS" tdp_final | grep -v "PB GPS" | grep -v "STA [XYZ]" |  
grep -v "WETZ"
```

- Only dummy parameter left, “DUM”, used by filter.

Example 5: Add ocean load pole tide model



- Add ocean load pole tide model for station position.
 - Displacement of crust due to load of the pole tide in the oceans.
 - Primarily has 12 and 14 month periods.

cd ..

mkdir spp5

cd spp5

cp .../spp4/run_again r5 # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.

- Edit script r5, and add two lines.

**-add_ocnlidpoltid **

- Execute script

./r5

Example 5: First look at run.



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- Very small increase in post-fit LC residuals at level of 1e-4 mm.
 - May not be statistically significant.
 - Expected because ocean load pole tide effect is < 1 mm and has periods of 12 and 14 months.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	6.6588E-06	2167	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	3.7503E-04	2168	0

Example 5: What changed?



- Compare qregres namelists from Examples 4 and 5.

diff qregres.nml .../spp4/qregres.nml

- -add_ocnldpoltid turns on the model, and adds a path to a file containing a map of the coefficients for the model.
- See \$GOA/file_formats/ocnld_pole_tide_map for description of ocean load pole tide coefficient file.

NMLOcnldPolTid = .TRUE.

NMLOcnldPolTidMap = '/GIPSY_source/goa-var/sta_info/oceanpoletide_load_0.5deg.txt'

- Compare wash namelists from Examples 4 and 5.

diff wash.nml .../spp4/wash.nml

- No differences.
 - No change to estimation strategy.

Example 5: First look at solution



- Verify no additional parameters estimated:

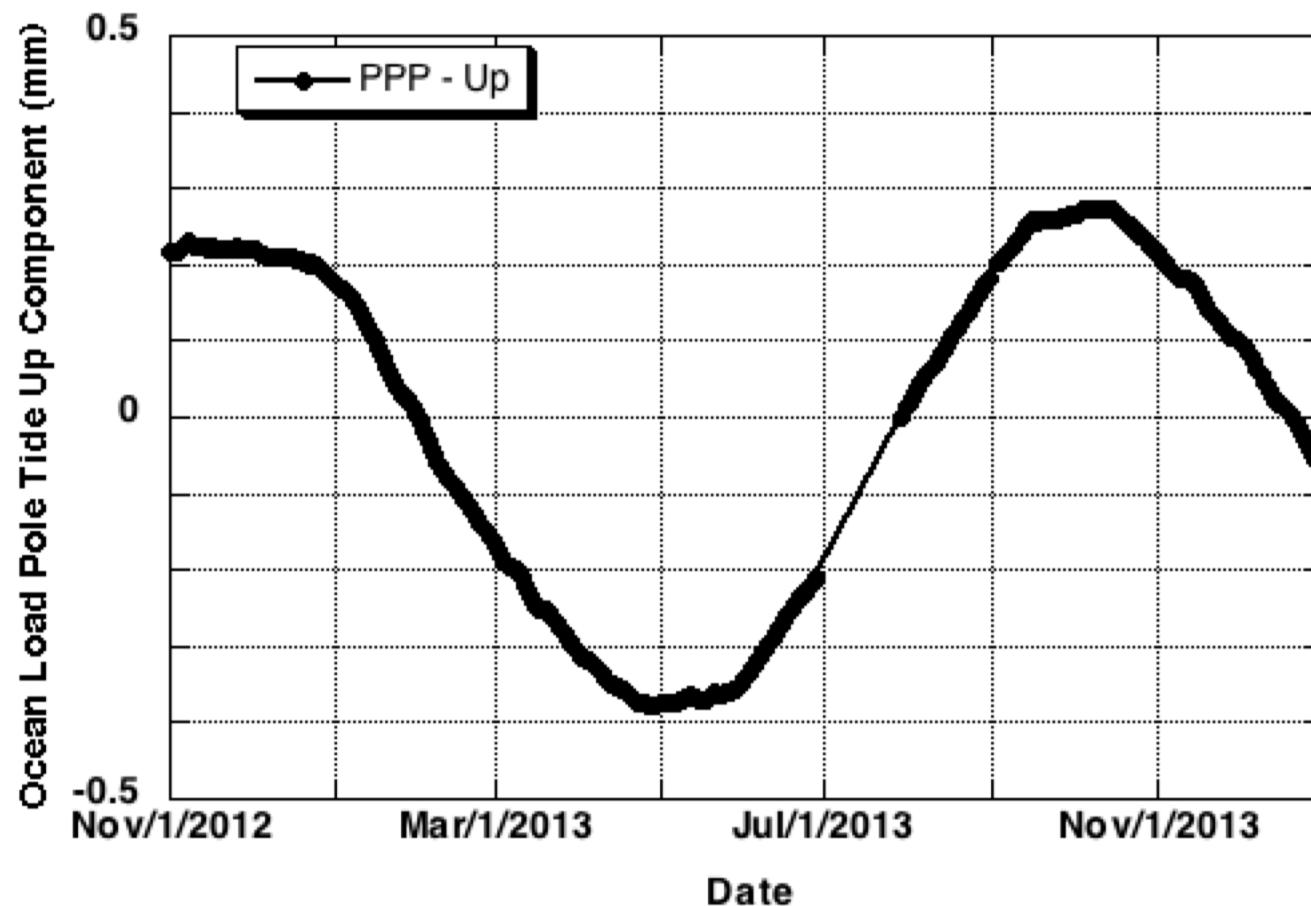
```
grep -v "STA BIAS" tdp_final | grep -v "PB GPS" | grep -v "STA [XYZ]" |  
grep -v "WETZ"
```

- Only dummy parameter left, “DUM”, used by filter.

Example 5: Effect of ocean load pole tide



- Effect is typically at the sub-mm level, primarily with periods of 12 and 14 months, e.g., Easter Island (ISPA).



Example 6: Add troposphere gradients

- Add estimation of troposphere gradients.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir spp6
```

```
cd spp6
```

```
cp ../spp5/run_again r6    # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Edit script r6, and add one line.

```
-wetzgrad 5.0e-9 \
```

- Experience has shown recommended random walk value of 5.0e-9 km/sqrt(sec) for static positioning.

- Execute script

```
./r6
```

Example 6: First look at run



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- Additional improvement to postfit phase (LC) residuals.
 - Expected when estimating additional parameters.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	6.1667E-06	2167	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	3.7481E-04	2168	0

Example 6: What changed?



- Compare qregres namelists from Examples 5 and 6.

diff qregres.nml .../spp5/qregres.nml

- No changes to any models.

- Compare wash namelists from Examples 5 and 6.

diff wash.nml .../spp5/wash.nml

< WETZGRAD = .TRUE

> WETZGRAD = .FALSE.

- Estimation of troposphere gradients turned on in example 6.

Example 6: First look at solution



- Check for additional parameters estimated:

```
grep -v "STA BIAS" tdp_final | grep -v "PB GPS" | grep -v "STA [XYZ]" |  
grep -v "WETZ"
```

- Troposphere gradient parameters are in TRPAZSIN and TRPAZCOS.
 - Some consider these to be parameters that absorb other error sources, others consider them to have scientific value.
 - Depends on application, processing approach, and station.

Example 7: Change troposphere mapping function



- Change troposphere mapping function.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir spp7
```

```
cd spp7
```

```
cp ../spp6/run_again r7 # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Edit script r7, and add one line.

```
-trop_map GPT2\
```

- GPT2 = Global Pressure and Temperature Mapping Function.

- Shown to be better than NIELL.
- Predecessor is GMF (Global Mapping Function), part of GPT (Version 1).
- A better option is VMF1GRID (Vienna Mapping Function) or VM1SITE (site-specific Vienna Mapping Function).
 - Requires local database of VMF grid or site files, maintained by user.
 - Path to database specified by **-vmf1dir** option.
- Execute script

```
./r7
```

Example 7: First look at run



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- Small reduction in postfit residuals for this station/day of 4e-4 mm.
 - May not be statistically significant.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	6.1663E-06	2167	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	3.7481E-04	2168	0

Example 7: What changed?



- Compare qregres namelists from Examples 6 and 7.

diff qregres.nml .../spp6/qregres.nml

< NMLTropMap(1) = 'GPT2'

> NMLTropMap(1) = 'NIELL'

– Just the mapping function model changed.

- Compare wash namelists from Examples 6 and 7.

diff wash.nml .../spp6/wash.nml

– No differences.

- No change to estimation strategy.

- Save zenith troposphere solution for comparison to next example.

grep WETZ tdp_final | cl h1 '1.0e2*c3' > spp7_wetz.txt



- Default troposphere nominals in qregres are:
 - Zenith dry troposphere (NMLTROP_DRY) = 2.0 m
 - Zenith wet troposphere (NMLTROP_WET) = 0.1 m
- If NMLStochMonment is .TRUE.:
 - Zenith dry troposphere: $1.013 * 2.27 * \exp(-0.116e-03 * ht)$ meters.
 - Nominal station position height used to compute dry.
- If a TDP file with station position(s) is provided (STA [XYZ]):
 - Zenith dry troposphere: $1.013 * 2.27 * \exp(-0.116e-03 * ht)$ meters.
 - Zenith wet troposphere: $0.1 * \exp(-ht/2000e0)$ meters.
- Nominal model can be improved and provided to gd2p with an input TDP file.
 - See: **tropnominal**



- **tropnominal** generates times series of zenith dry and/or wet troposphere models:
 - STATIC: Dry based on exponential function
 - $1.013 * 2.27 * \exp(-.116e-3 * h)$ meters
 - No wet.
 - GPT: Dry based on Global Pressure and Temperature climatological model (mean, annual, and 20-degree horizontal resolution)
 - <http://ggoatm.hg.tuwien.ac.at/delay.html>
 - No wet.
 - GPT2: Dry and wet using the GPT2 climatological model.
 - Mean, annual, semiannual, and 5-degree horizontal resolution.
 - VMF1GRID: Wet and dry based on Vienna mapping function:
 - <http://ggoatm.hg.tuwien.ac.at/delay.html>
 - Based on ECMWF meteorological data (post-processed)
 - User needs to maintain own database.
- **tropnominal** can accept time series of station positions.

tropnominal – Example of getting required inputs



- Determine appropriate inputs to cover observation window.

- UTC start and stop times required.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir tropnominal
```

```
cd tropnominal
```

```
grep WETZ ../spp7/tdp_final | head -1 | cl 1 | gps2utc -  
316353585.00000000
```

```
grep WETZ ../spp7/tdp_final | tail -1 | cl 1 | gps2utc -  
316439685.00000000
```

- Station lat, lon, and height required.

- Grab from qreges namelist, for example from ../spp7/qregres.nml

```
!      lat           long        elev (m)  
!    35.4251561   -116.8892511    987.0973
```

tropnominal - Example



- Execute tropnominal:

```
tropnominal -n GOL2 -m GPT2 -latdeg 35.4251561 -londeg -116.8892511
-h_m 987.0973 -stsec 316353585.0 -endsec 316439685.0 -samp 300
```

- By default the output files are defined according to the station name (-n option).
 - In this case, output files are GOL2.TDPdry and GOL2.TDPwet

- Make a combined file, and rename output files.

```
cat GOL2.TDPdry GOL2.TDPwet > GOL2_GPT2.TDPdryandwet
```

```
mv GOL2.TDPdry GOL2_GPT2.TDPdry
```

```
mv GOL2.TDPwet GOL2_GPT2.TDPwet
```

- Execute tropnominal using the default static model applied in GIPSY, and rename output file.

```
tropnominal -n GOL2 -m STATIC -latdeg 35.4251561 -londeg
-116.8892511 -h_m 987.0973 -stsec 316353585.0 -endsec 316439685.0 -
samp 300
```

```
mv GOL2.TDPdry GOL2_STATIC.TDPdry
```

Comparison of tropnominal models

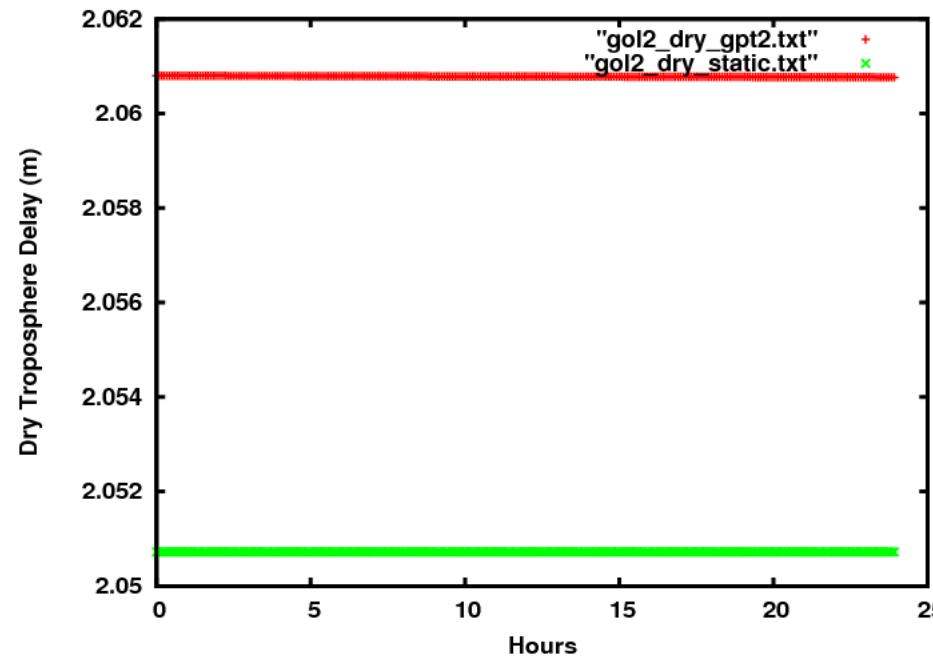


```
cat GOL2_GPT2.TDPdry | cl h1 3 > gol2_dry_gpt2.txt
```

```
cat GOL2_STATIC.TDPdry | cl h1 3 > gol2_dry_static.txt
```

```
gnup -p gol2_dry_gpt2.txt gol2_dry_static.txt -xl 'Hours' -yl 'Dry Troposphere Delay (m)'
```

- GPT2 model is ~ 1.0cm higher than GIPSY's default.
 - GPT2 is time-varying (although not obvious on this scale, and for this particular station-day)



Example 8: Provide apriori dry troposphere model (GPT2)



- Use GPT2 model for nominal dry troposphere delay.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir spp8
```

```
cd spp8
```

```
cp ../spp7/run_again r8    # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Edit script r8, and add one line.

```
-tdp_in ../tropnominal/GOL2_GPT2.TDPdry \
```

- Input TDP file provides nominal time series of dry troposphere delay.
- Execute script

```
./r8
```

Example 8: First look at run



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- Small reduction to postfit residuals.
 - GPT2 has positive impact, since no change to estimation strategy

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	6.1648E-06	2167	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	3.7481E-04	2168	0

Example 8: What changed?



- Compare qregres namelists from Examples 7 and 8.

diff qregres.nml .../spp7/qregres.nml

- No change to internal models.
- **However, qregres command now ingests information from tdp file.**

- Compare wash namelists from Examples 7 and 8.

diff wash.nml .../spp7/wash.nml

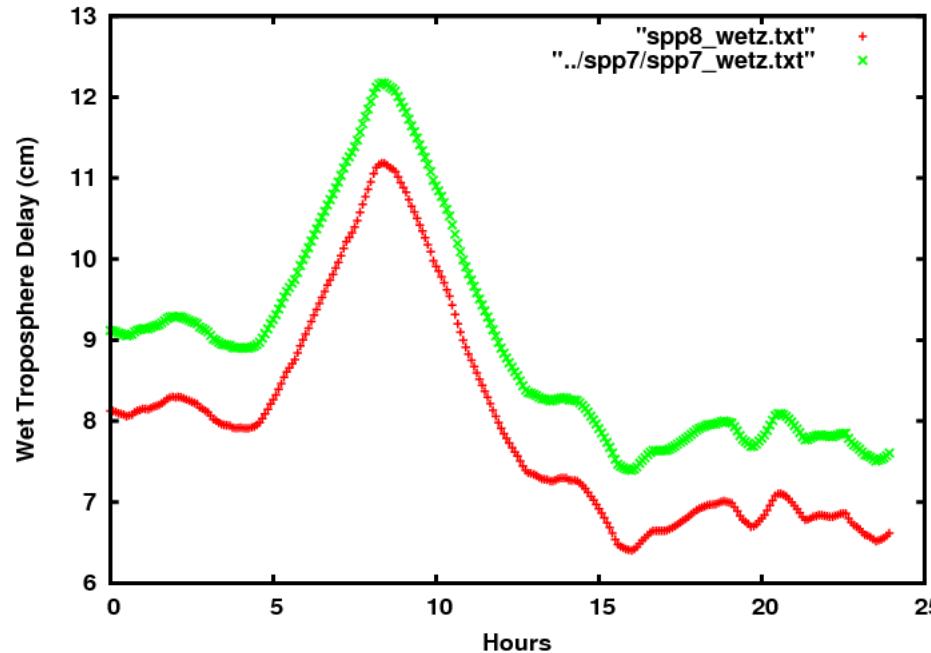
- No differences.
 - No change to estimation strategy.

Example 8: Plot of Zenith Wet Troposphere Solution



```
grep WETZ tdp_final | cl h1 '1.0e2*c3' > spp8_wetz.txt
gnup -p spp8_wetz.txt ../spp7/spp7_wetz.txt -xl 'Hours' -yl 'Wet
Troposphere Delay (cm)'
```

- Total troposphere delay remains about the same.
 - Input nominal dry increased by 1 cm, so estimated “wet” decreased by 1 cm.
 - But, improved residuals suggests we have a better nominal dry.





- Use GPT2 model for nominal wet and dry troposphere delay.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir spp9
```

```
cd spp9
```

```
cp ../spp8/run_again r9      # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Edit script r9, and change one line.

```
-tdp_in ../tropnominal/GOL2_GPT2.TDPdryandwet \
```

- Input TDP file provides nominal time series of dry and wet troposphere delay.

- Execute script

```
./r9
```

Example 9: First look at run



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- No change to postfit residuals.
 - Providing nominal wet troposphere, but also estimating wet troposphere.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	6.1648E-06	2167	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	3.7481E-04	2168	0

Example 9: What changed?



- Compare qregres namelists from Examples 8 and 9.

diff qregres.nml .../spp8/qregres.nml

- No change to internal models.
- **However, qregres is ingesting information from tdp file.**

- Compare wash namelists from Examples 8 and 9.

diff wash.nml .../spp8/wash.nml

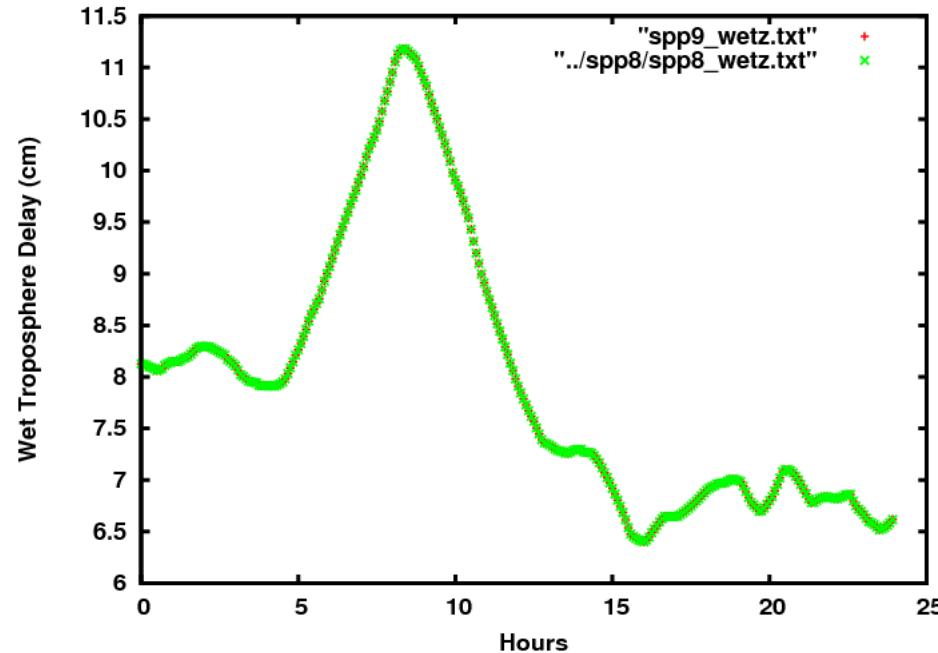
- No differences.
 - No change to estimation strategy.

Example 9: Plot of Zenith Wet Troposphere Solution



```
grep WETZ tdp_final | cl h1 '1.0e2*c3' > spp9_wetz.txt
gnup -p spp9_wetz.txt ../spp8/spp8_wetz.txt -xl 'Hours' -yl 'Wet
Troposphere Delay (cm)'
```

- Estimated wet troposphere delay remains about the same.
 - Usually not necessary to provide wet troposphere nominal when estimating wet troposphere.



Example 9: Station position estimate

- However, providing a nominal wet delay even when estimating wet delay can influence the estimated station position.

- Some prefer to provide a nominal wet delay.

```
paste tdp_final ..../spp8/tdp_final | grep "STA [XYZ]" | cl '1e6*(c3-c10)'
```

0.000350155460182577

-0.000470208760816604

-0.000240106601268053

- Depends on application, but typically no need to use nominal wet delays when estimating wet delay. Providing nominal dry delay is useful.



- Use IRI2012 model of total electron content to derive second order ionosphere correction to data.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir spp10
```

```
cd spp10
```

```
cp ../spp9/run_again r10 # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Edit script r10, and add following lines.

```
-ion_2nd \
```

```
-shell_height 600 \
```

```
-tec_mdl iri \
```

- See –iri_dir option for path to IRI2012 coefficient files.

- Default is \$GOA_VAR/etc/iri

- Execute script

```
./r10
```

Example 10: First look at run



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- Small reduction to postfit residuals.
 - Second order ionosphere correction has positive impact, since no change to estimation strategy

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	6.1619E-06	2167	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	3.7467E-04	2168	0

Example 10: What changed?



- Compare qregres namelists from Examples 9 and 10.

diff qregres.nml ../spp9/qregres.nml

```
< $ionosphere_mdl
<   ion_2nd = .true.
<   mag_mdl = 'IGRF'
<   tec_mdl ='IRI'
<   ion_2nd_shell_hgt = 600
< $end
```

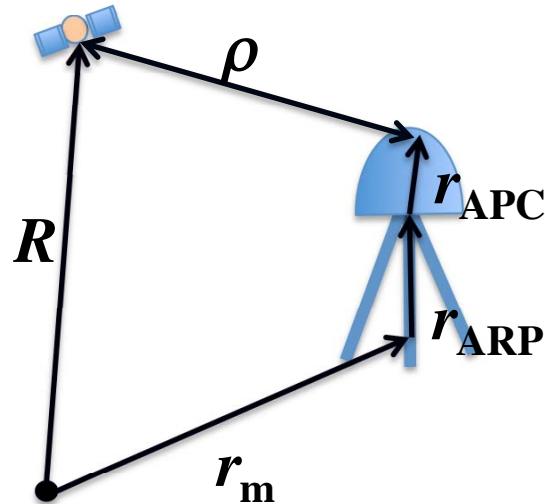
- Ionosphere models are now defined.

- Compare wash namelists from Examples 9 and 10.

diff wash.nml ../spp9/wash.nml

- No differences.
 - No change to estimation strategy.

Monument, ARP, and APC



- **M = Monument**
- **ARP = Antenna Reference Point**
- **APC = Antenna Phase Center**

- Phase and range measurements, ρ , are between transmitter and receiver APCs.
 - Orbit products are associated with a model of transmitter APC.
 - e.g., specified in YYYY-MM-DD.ant file

r_{APC}	r_{ARP}	What position is being determined?
Not Modeled	Not Modeled	APC
Modeled	Not Modeled	$ARP = APC - r_{APC}$
Not Modeled	Modeled	$APC - r_{ARP}$
Modeled	Modeled	Monument = APC – $r_{APC} - r_{ARP}$

Where does GIPSY/gd2p Define and Get ARP and APC Information?



- Monument, ARP, and APC information defined in qgres namelist.
- gd2p defaults to using s2nml which uses the station database:
 - \$GOA_VAR/sta_info (See \$GOA/file_formats/sta_info)
- NMLMonument in qgres namelist defines point being positioned (usually the monument):
 - s2nml uses site position/velocity from sta_pos
 - Station dependent
- NMLSite in qgres namelist defines sum total of r_{ARP} and r_{APC} .
 - s2nml defines r_{ARP} from sta_svec
 - Station dependent
 - s2nml defines r_{APC} from pcenter.
 - Antenna model dependent.

Example 11: Use –arp option



- Change reference for estimation to Antenna Reference Point.

`cd ..`

`mkdir spp11`

`cd spp11`

`cp ../spp10/run_again r11 # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.`

- Edit script `r11`, and add one line.
 - Add one line:

`-arp`

- Effectively sets r_{APC} to zero (i.e. ignores information in pcenter file).
 - Recommended when using antenna calibration file (next example).

- Execute script

`./r11`

Example 11: Effect of -arp



- In general, would expect a different result if pcenter file had $r_{APC} \neq 0$.
- For this particular example there was no impact from using the –arp option.
`diff tdp_final .../spp10/tdp_final`
 - Explained by fact that GOL2's antenna type is AOAD/M_T, which has $r_{APC}=0$ in the pcenter file.
`grep "AOAD/M_T" $GOA_VAR/sta_info/pcenter`
- All examples so far have effectively been positioning the point represented by APC- r_{ARP} since ARP-APC vector was unrealistically set to zero.
 - We need to define a realistic model for the station's APC relative to the ARP in order to better position the monument.



- IGS provides receiver calibrations in file called “ANTEX”.
- JPL orbit/clock products identify the adopted transmitter and receiver calibrations.

`zcat ..//jplorbclk/2010-01-10.ant.gz`

SAT igs08_1604.xyz ftp://sideshow.jpl.nasa.gov/pub/gipsy_files/gipsy_params/antenna_cals_xmit/igs08_1604.xyz.gz

GRN igs08_1604.atx ftp://sideshow.jpl.nasa.gov/pub/gipsy_files/gipsy_params/antenna_cals_xmit/igs08_1604.atx.gz

- SAT line indicates transmitter calibration file (in GIPSY format) used to generate orbit/clock product, and location on JPL server.
 - **gd2p uses SAT line to add transmitter calibrations to qregres namelist.**
- GRN line indicates receiver calibration file used to generate orbit/clock product, and location on JPL server.
- In this example, an IGS antex file was used for the antenna calibrations of the ground station network used to generate the orbit/clock products.
- Best to use consistent set of calibrations.
 - Main consideration for consistency is reference frame identifier (e.g. igs08).



- GOL2 RINEX file identifies antenna type AOAD/M_T and radome type NONE.
 - All of the igs08 antex files have the same calibration for this antenna.
 - Calibration changes usually occur when reference frames change.
- Native GIPSY format for antenna calibrations is “xyz” format.
 - See \$GOA/file_formats/antenna_cal
- Generate xyz file from ANTEX file:

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir antcal
```

```
cd antcal
```

```
antex2xyz.py -antexfile $GOA_VAR/etc/antenna_cals_xmit/igs08_1604.atx -xyzfile  
GOL2_antex.xyz -anttype AOAD/M_T -recname GOL2 -radcode NONE -fel 0 -del 5 -  
daz 5 -extrap
```

- NOTE: Effective phase center offset, r_{APC} , in mm is (see GOL2_antex.xyz):
 - NORTH = 1.600180 : EAST = -0.029940 : UP = 47.796758



- If station is part of IGS network, could use IGS SINEX file to determine antenna and radome type.
 - Accounts for any recorded changes to antenna
- Generate antenna calibration from ANTEX and SINEX files.

```
sta2antxyz.py -s GOL2 -sinex $GOA_VAR/sta_info/igs.snx -antex
$GOA_VAR/etc/antenna_cals_xmit/igs08_1604.atx -o
GOL2_antex_sinex.xyz -d 2010-01-10
```
- Two files are identical:

```
diff GOL2_antex.xyz GOL2_antex_sinex.xyz
```

 - sta2antxyz.py and antex2xyz.py use same library.
 - antex2xyz.py is probably more flexible but means user must keep track of station equipment.

Example 12: Add receiver antenna calibration



- Add receiver antenna calibration.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir spp12
```

```
cd spp12
```

```
cp ../spp11/run_again r12 # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Edit script r12, and add one line:

```
-AntCal ../antcal/GOL2_antex.xyz \
```

- Execute script

```
./r12
```

Example 12: First look at run



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- Reduction of postfit residuals.
 - Receiver antenna calibration has positive impact, since no change to estimation strategy

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	5.9454E-06	2167	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	3.7453E-04	2168	0

Example 12: What changed?



- Compare qregres namelists from Examples 11 and 12.
`diff qregres.nml ../spp11/qregres.nml`
 - Additional namelist items for receiving antenna calibration.
 - NMLGCen, NMLG*
 - **NOTE: gd2p automatically adds transmitter antenna calibrations to qregres namelist based upon “SAT” information provided in orbit/clock products (.ant file).**
 - NMLOCen, NMLO*
- Compare wash namelists from Examples 11 and 12.
`diff wash.nml ../spp11/wash.nml`
 - No changes to solution strategy.

Example 13: Lower Elevation Angle Cutoff



- Modify elevation angle cutoff.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir spp13
```

```
cd spp13
```

```
cp ../spp12/run_again r13    # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Edit script r13.
- Change elevation angle cutoff to 7 degrees.

```
-w_elmin 7 \
```

- Recommended cutoff with troposphere gradients and antenna calibration.

- Execute script

```
./r13
```

Example 13: First look at run



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- Increase in RMS of postfit residuals, but associated with increase in number of measurements.
 - More low elevation data used in solution.
 - Low elevation data usually have higher data noise.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	7.1846E-06	2428	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	4.0513E-04	2429	0

Example 14: Elevation-Dependent Weighting



- De-weight low elevation data since it has higher data noise.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir spp14
```

```
cd spp14
```

```
cp ../spp13/run_again r14 # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Edit script r14.

- Add one line:

```
-eldepwght SQRTSIN \
```

- Data weight = $\text{sqrt}(\sin(\text{elevation}))/\sigma$.
- Depending on receiver and application, might also consider “SIN” weighting. (Data weight = $\sin(\text{elevation})/\sigma$)
- Without this option data weight is constant, $1/\sigma$.

- Execute script

```
./r14
```

Example 14: First look at run



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- Increase in RMS of postfit residuals, because lower elevation (higher noise) data has lower impact on the solution.
 - More low elevation data used in solution.
 - Low elevation data usually have higher data noise.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	7.8489E-06	2428	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	4.0521E-04	2429	0

Example 14: What changed?



- Compare qregres namelists from Examples 13 and 14.

diff qregres.nml ../spp13/qregres.nml

- No changes to model.

- Compare wash namelists from Examples 13 and 14.

diff wash.nml ../spp13/wash.nml

< SIGELV = .TRUE., .TRUE.

< SQRELP1 = .FALSE.

- Data weight options to filter are set.

Example 15: Not using station database



- For improved transparency, explicitly provide monument position, monument to ARP vector, and antenna calibrations.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir spp15
```

```
cd spp15
```

```
cp ../spp14/run_again r15    # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Edit script r15.

- Add two lines:

```
-p -2353.614421 -4641.385321 3676.976407 \
```

```
-env_km 0.0 0.0 0.0000254 \
```

- Choose position (-p) and site vector (-env_km) coordinates from prior qregres namelists only for consistency with previous examples.

- Remove line with –arp (not needed when using –p option).
- Execute script

```
./r15
```

Example 15: First look at run



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- No change to postfit residuals.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	7.8489E-06	2428	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	4.0521E-04	2429	0

Example 15: What changed?



- Compare qregres namelists from Examples 14 and 15.
diff qregres.nml ../spp14/qregres.nml
 - Some changes in order of parameters and format only.
- Compare wash namelists from Examples 14 and 15.
diff wash.nml ../spp14/wash.nml
 - No changes to solution strategy.
- Using **-p** and **-env_km** options resulted with an identical run.
 - Might have round-off effects.
 - E.g., compare station position lines in TDP file.

grep “STA [XYZ]” tdp_final

grep “STA [XYZ] .../spp14/tdp_final

Example 16: Generate stacov file



- Add option to generate stacov file.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir spp16
```

```
cd spp16
```

```
cp ../spp15/run_again r16 # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Edit script r16, and add one line.

```
-stacov \
```

- Option results with generation of a stacov file with the position solution and covariance matrix.

- See \$GOA/file_formats/stacov

- Execute script

```
./r16
```

Example 16: What changed?



- Compare qregres namelists from Examples 15 and 16.
`diff qregres.nml ../spp15/qregres.nml`
- Compare wash namelists from Examples 15 and 16.
`diff wash.nml ../spp15/wash.nml`
 - No changes to solution strategy.
- Identical solution but additional output files:
 - stacov_final_pre_amb – Pre-ambiguity resolution solution.
 - stacov_final – Post-ambiguity resolution solution

Example 16: Pre- and Post-amb Residuals



- Ambiguity resolution results with larger post-fit residuals.
 - Expected because of constraints on phase biases.
 - Should be the case for all examples.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	7.8489E-06	2428	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	4.0521E-04	2429	0

cat Postfit_amb.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	7.9731E-06	2428	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	4.0541E-04	2429	0

Example 16: Compare Pre- and Post-Amb Position Solutions



```
grep "STA [XYZ]" tdp_final_pre_amb > pre_amb.pos
grep "STA [XYZ]" tdp_final > post_amb.pos
paste pre_amb.pos post_amb.pos | cl '1.0e6*(c3-c10)'
0.0456102497992106      (Z = 0.0 mm)
0.514080056746025      (Y = 0.5 mm)
-0.851220192998881     (X = -0.9 mm)
```

- Some other things to consider:
 - Pre- vs Post- amb clocks?
 - Pre- vs Post-amb wet?



- Ambiguity resolution performance can be evaluated from percent of narrow lanes that are close to an integer.
 - Look at NLCUM statistics in logs/smap_ambigon.log
 - Reflects cumulative distribution of number and percent of narrow lanes that are close to an integer.

grep NLCUM logs/smap_ambigon.log

PNLCUM	0	3542	87.2843765402
PNLCUM	5	366	9.0192212913
PNLCUM	10	78	1.9221291276

...

- Column 2 is centicycles from integer.
- Column 3 is number of narrow lanes within bin.
- Column 4 is percent of narrow lanes within bin.
 - E.g., 87.3 percent of narrow lanes < 5 centicycles of integer.
 - Larger numbers closer to integer implies better solution prior to ambiguity resolution. (likely means better ambiguity resolution).

Example 16: Station Position Estimate

- How much did the station move relative to the provided nominal value?

```
grep "STA [XYZ]" tdp_final | cl '1.0e6*(c3-c2)'
```

8.11517975307652 (Z = 8.1 mm)

32.6875997416209 (Y = 33.7 mm)

26.7990303655097 (X = 26.8 mm)

gd2p.pl settings from Example 16



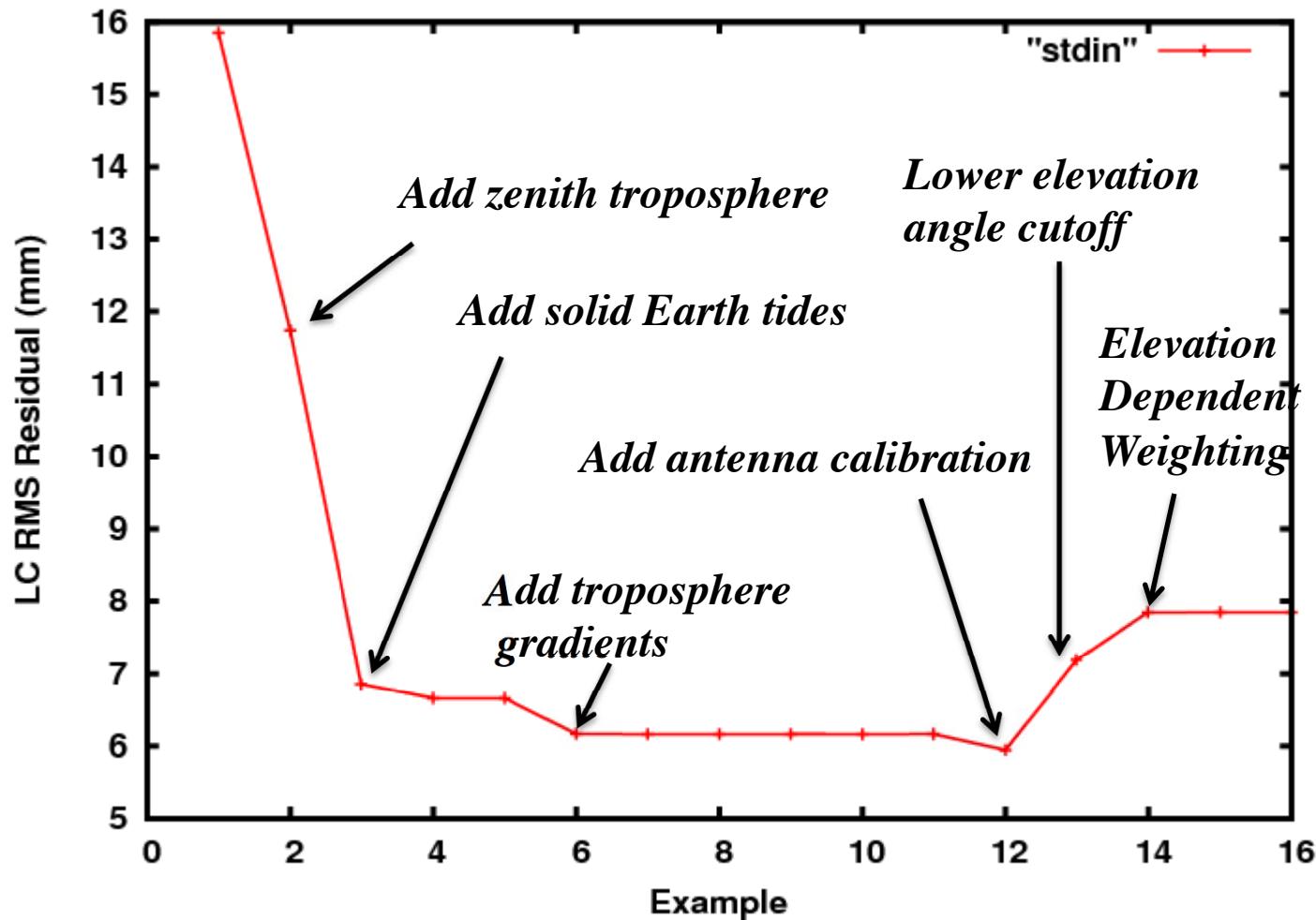
```
( gd2p.pl \
-i $GOA/class_gd2p/gol20100.10o \
-n GOL2 \
-d 2010-01-10 \
-r 300 \
-type s \
-w_elmin 7 \
-eldepwght SQRTSIN \
-e "-a 20 -PC -LC -F" \
-pb_min_slip 1.0e-3 \
-pb_min_elev 30 \
-amb_res 2 \
-dwght 1.0e-5 1.0e-3 \
-post_wind 5.0e-3 5.0e-5 \
-trop_z_rw 5.0e-8 \
-wetzgrad 5.0e-9 \
-trop_map GPT2 \
-tdp_in ./tropnominal/GOL2_GPT.TDPwetanddry \
-tides WahrK1 FreqDepLove OctTid PolTid \
-add_ocnld \
-OcnldCpn \
-add_ocnldpoltid \
-ion_2nd \
-shell_height 600 \
-tec_mdl iri \
-orb_clk "flinnR WORKDIR/jplorbclk"
-AntCal ../antcal/GOL2_antex.xyz \
-p -2353.614421 -4641.385321 3676.976407 \
-env_km 0.0 0.0 0.0000254 \
-stacov \
> gd2p.log ) |& sed '/^Skipping namelist/d' > gd2p.err
```

gd2p.pl for typical station

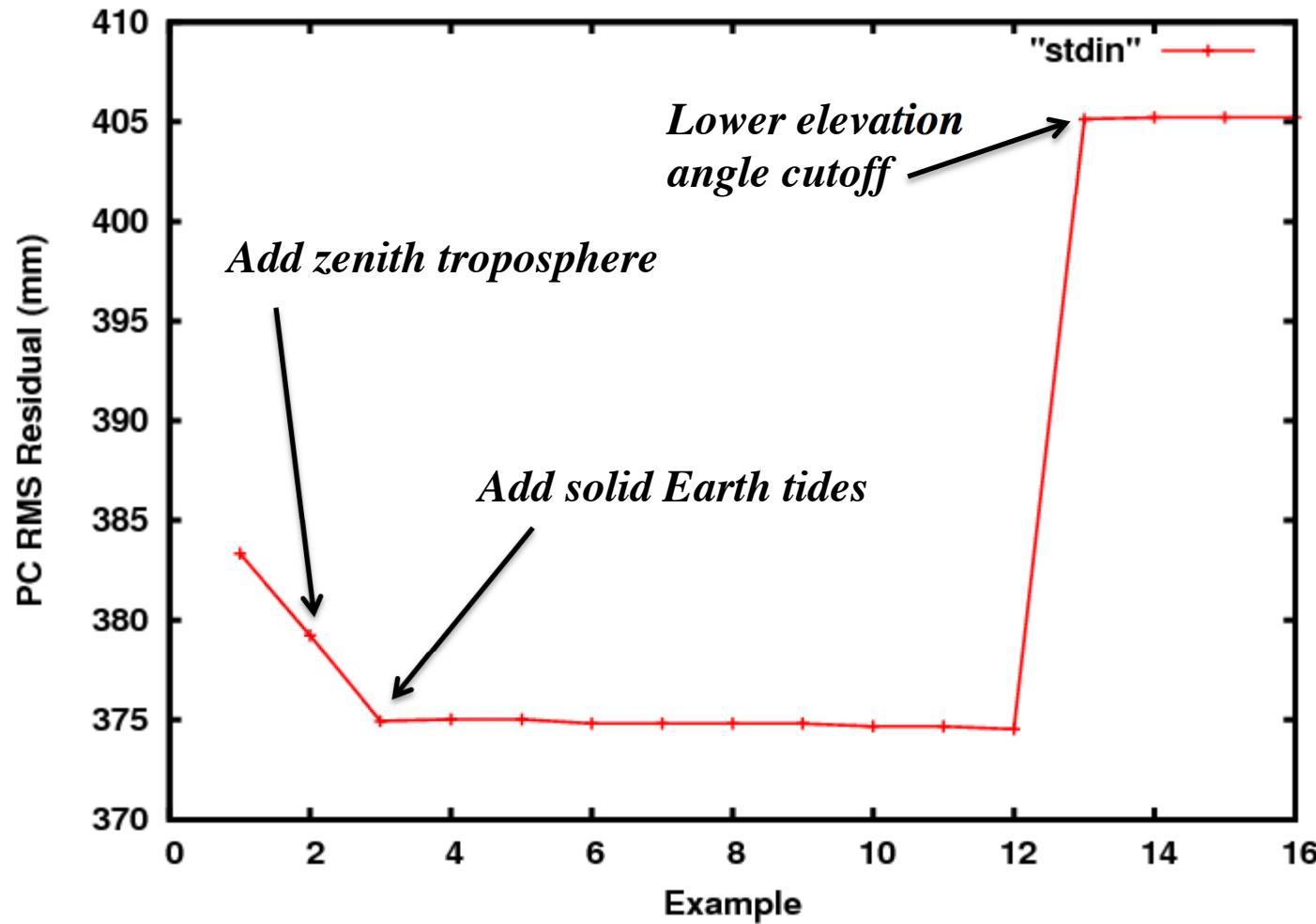


- run_again from Example 16 reflects the gd2p.pl settings for a typical IGS-quality GPS station.
 - Could be improved by:
 - Using VMF1GRID or VMF1SITE (via tropnominal) for input nominal wet and dry troposphere delay.
 - Nominal wet is less important when estimating wet.
 - Using VMF1GRID or VMF1SITE troposphere mapping function
 - Some prefer to set -pb_min_slip to large value so that postbreak is not exercised. Some prefer smaller value. User choice.
 - We have found 1 meter pb_min_slip and 30-degree elevation lower limit (-pb_min_elev) to search for breaks is reasonable for modern receivers.

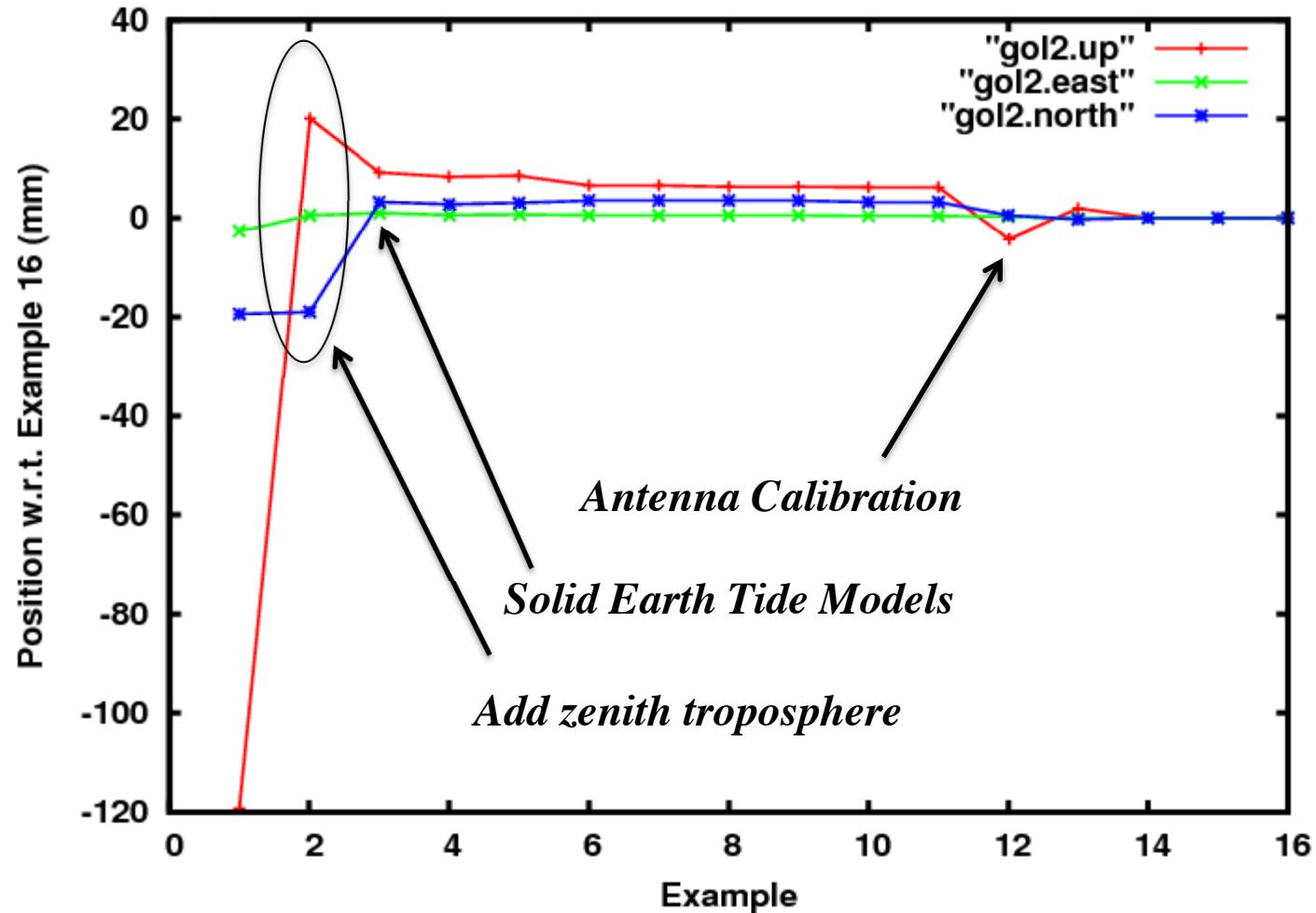
Effect of models/estimation approach on Postfit LC RMS Residual



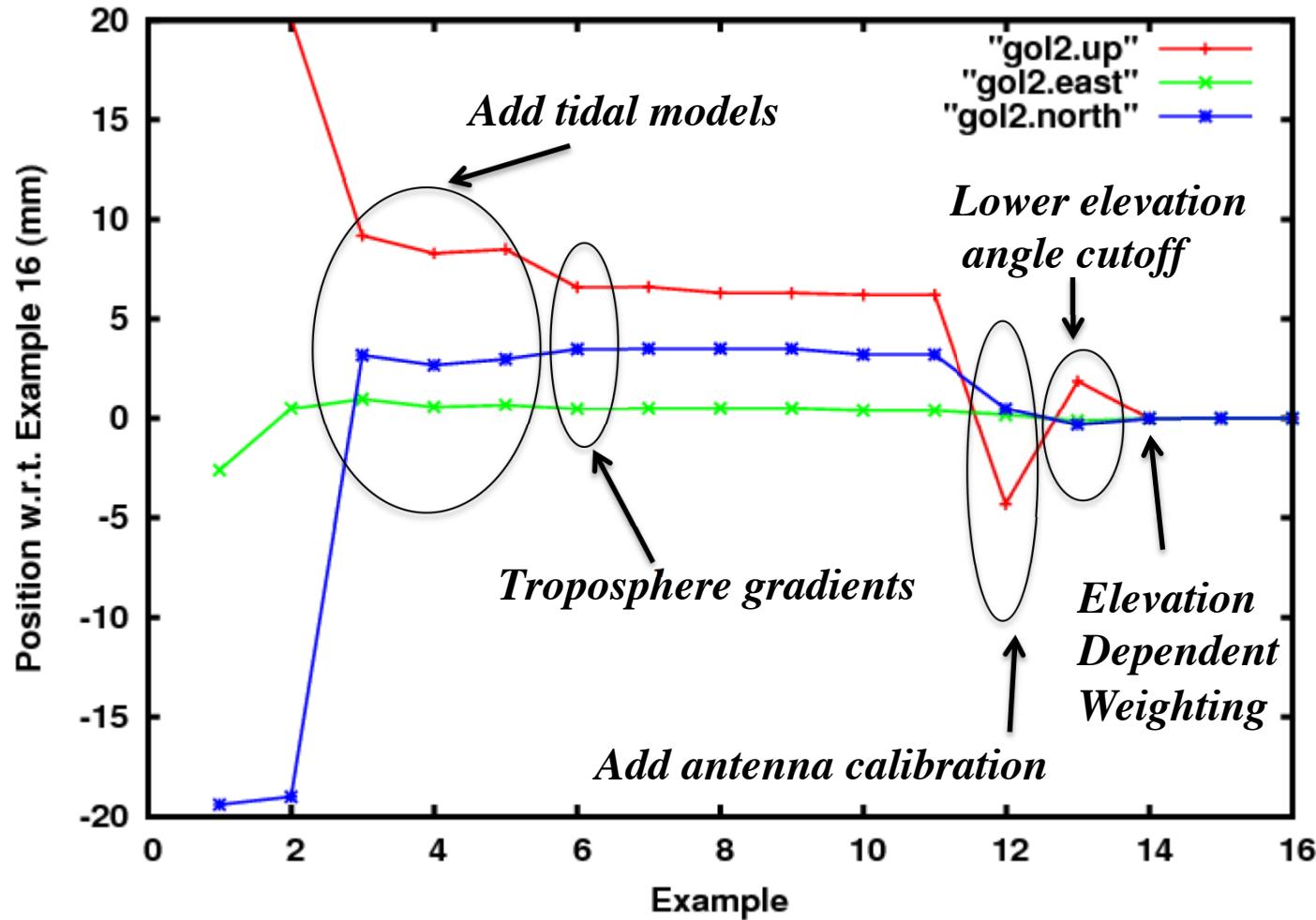
Effect of models/estimation approach on Postfit PC RMS Residual



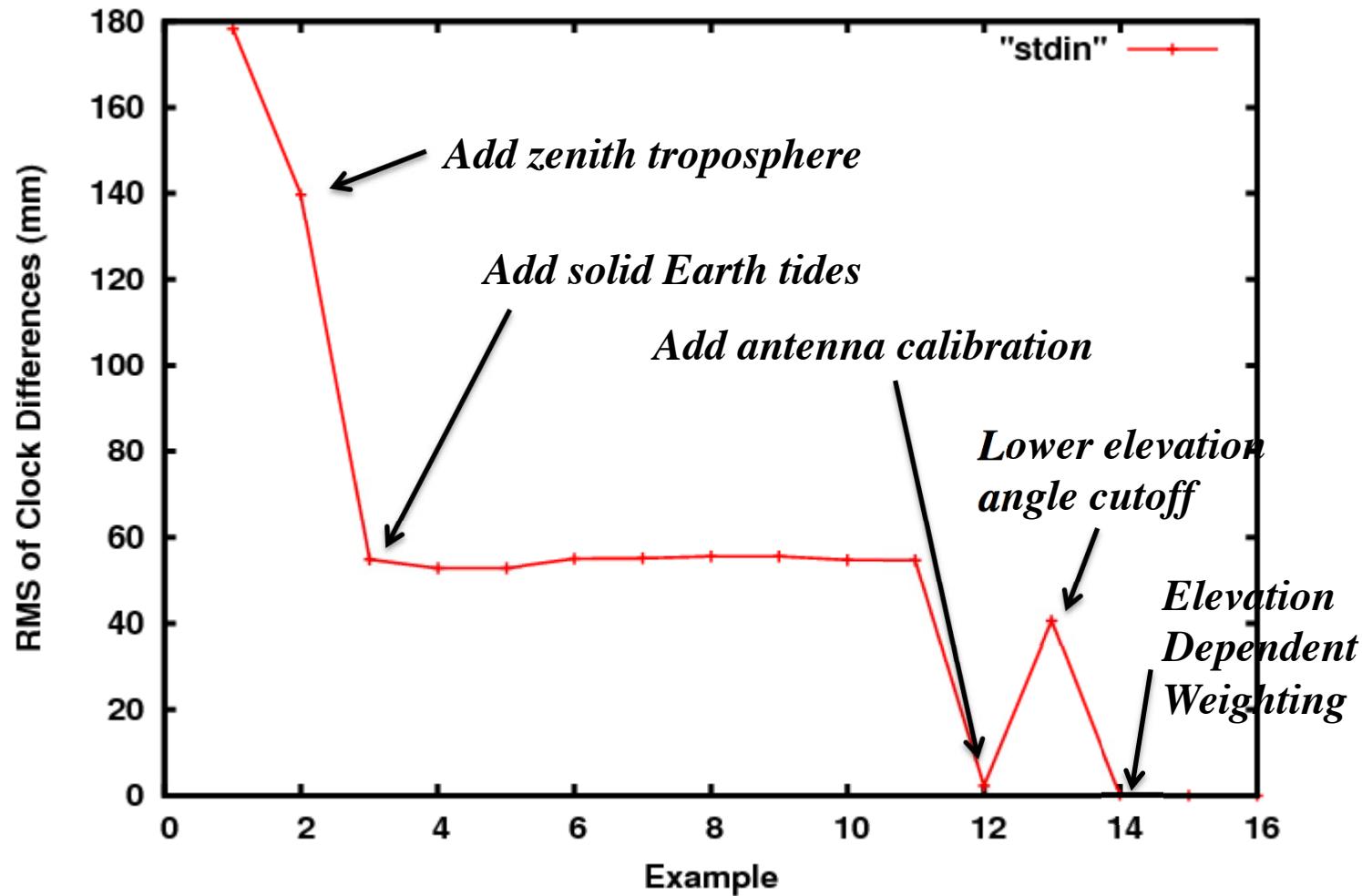
Effect of models/estimation approach on station position (Relative to Example 16)

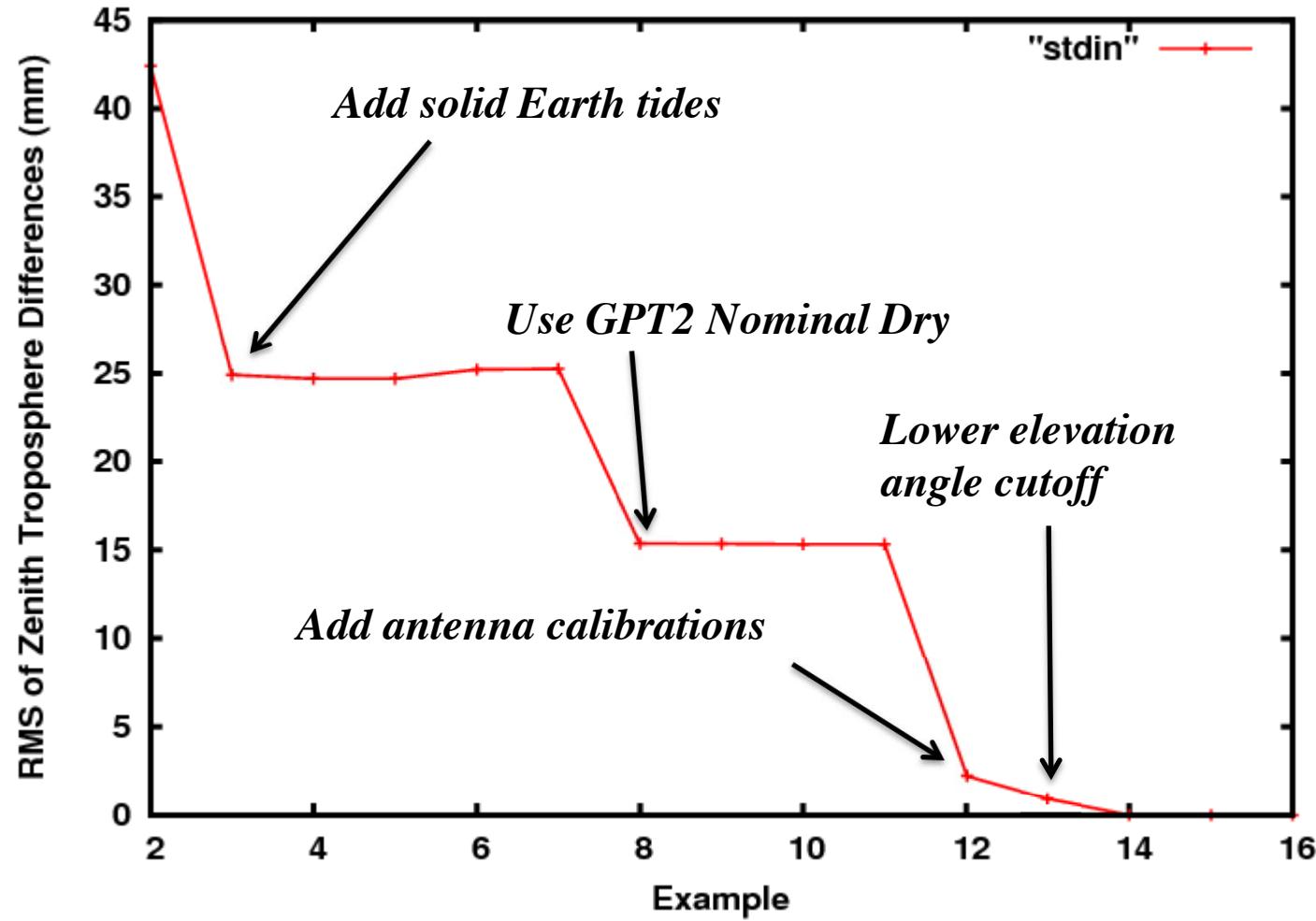


Effect of models/estimation approach on station position (Zoom, Relative to Example 16)



Effect of models/estimation approach on Clock Solutions (Relative to Example 16)

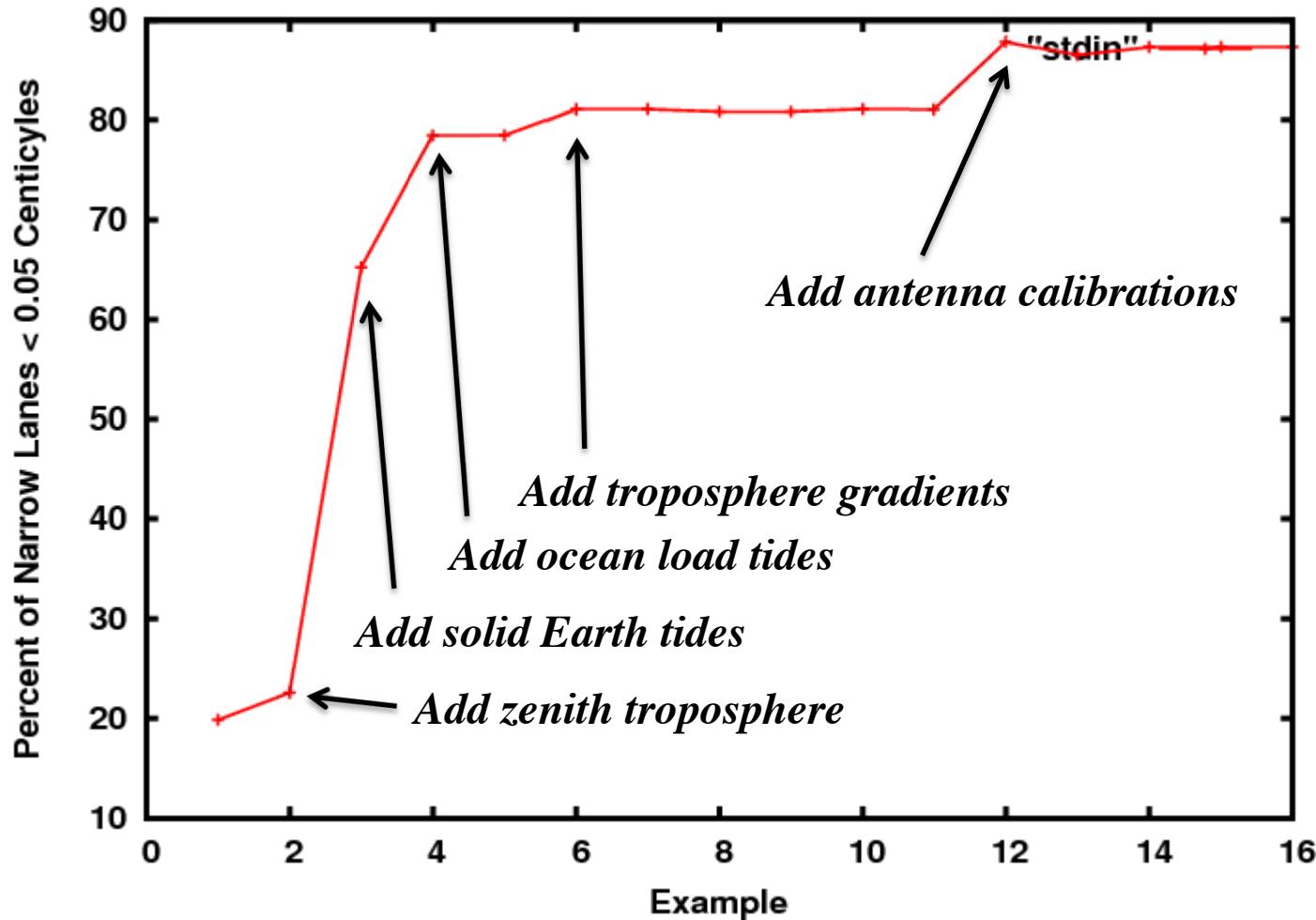




Effect of models/estimation approach on station position on ambiguity resolution



NOTE: Number of narrow lanes < 0.05 centicycle also increased when elevation angle cutoff lowered to 7 degrees (3160 to 3510), and overall percentage increased slightly.





- pr2p determines station position and clock from GPS pseudorange data alone.
 - No apriori information or models for receiver.
 - Only provide orbits/clocks of transmitters.
 - Useful when nominal station position not known, e.g. moving platforms.

pr2p –h | more



```
cd ..  
mkdir pr2p  
cd pr2p  
pr2p -i $GOA/class_gd2p/gol20100.10o -n GOL2 -orb_clk "flinnR  
WORKDIR/jplorbclk"
```

- Provides an average position in the log file (pr2p.log).
Average Position, (x,y,z), in km: -2353.614218 -4641.384766 3676.976173
Position Scatter, (x,y,z), in km: 0.001444 0.002298 0.001526
 - Could be used in follow-up gd2p run (-p option)
- Provides time series of receiver positions and clocks in output tdp_final.
grep "STA [XYZ]" tdp_final
grep "STA BIAS" tdp_final
 - Could be used in follow-up gd2p run (-tdp_in)

Kinematic Point Positioning



- Kinematic point positioning is more challenging than static positioning.
 - How fast is the platform moving?
 - For rapid movement, provide a nominal STA [XYZ] through input TDP file.
 - E.g., Solution from pr2p, previous gd2p, or navigation solution.
 - Default is quadratic interpolation of positions in TDP file.
 - For rapid motion be careful with –amb_res. May be better not to use.
 - Check NLCUM statistics in smap_ambigons.log
 - Separating troposphere from position is more difficult.
 - Use apriori dry and preferably wet troposphere from tropnominal, or weather models (e.g., NCEP, ECMWF)
 - Provide through input TDP file.
 - If a TDP file with station position(s) is provided (STA [XYZ]), default:
 - Zenith dry troposphere: $1.013 * 2.27 * \exp(-0.116e-03 * ht)$ meters.
 - Zenith wet troposphere: $0.1 * \exp(-ht/2000e0)$ meters.

Example 1



- Start with run_again from static point positioning example 15.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir kpp1
```

```
cd kpp1
```

```
cp ../spp15/run_again r1 # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Edit script r1:
 - Change positioning type to kinematic
 - type k \
 - **NOTE: We are already providing a nominal zenith dry and wet troposphere correction.**
 - -tdp_in ../tropnominal/GOL2_GPT.TDPwetanddry
 - Execute script

```
./r1
```

Example 1: First look at run



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- Postfit residuals significantly lower than corresponding static run.
 - Position has more freedom to follow data.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	5.9291E-06	2429	0
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	4.0420E-04	2429	0

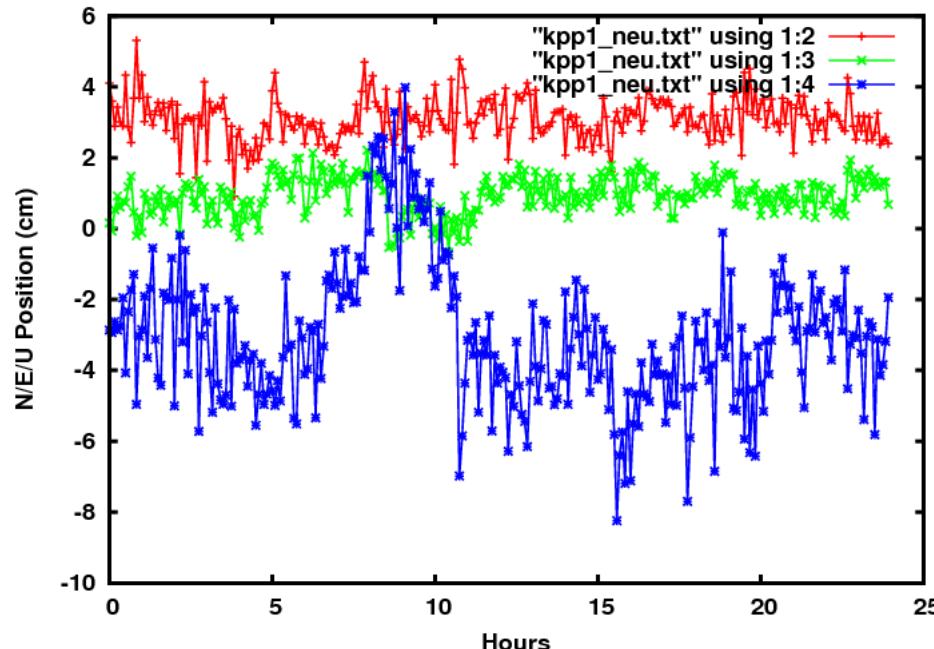
Example 1: Position solution relative to nominal



- Use tdp2llh to compare the solution to the nominal.

```
tdp2llh tdp_final GOL2 | grep est | cl h1 '1e2*c2' '1e2*c3' '1e2*c4' >
kpp1_neu.txt
```

```
gnup -lp1:2 kpp1_neu.txt -lp1:3 kpp1_neu.txt -lp1:4 kpp1_neu.txt -xl
'Hours' -yl 'N/E/U Position (cm)'
```



- What is standard deviation of time series?

```
cat kpp1_neu.txt | cl 2 | stats | cl 3
```

```
cat kpp1_neu.txt | cl 3 | stats | cl 3
```

```
cat kpp1_neu.txt | cl 4 | stats | cl 3
```

- North: 0.6 cm
- East: 0.5 cm
- Up: 2.0 cm

Example 2: Provide Wet Troposphere

- Provide wet troposphere from static solution instead of GPT2, and append to already used dry troposphere.

```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir kpp2
```

```
cd kpp2
```

```
grep -P 'TRP|WETZ' ../spp15/tdp_final > ../tropnominal/GOL2.TDPwetanddry  
cat ../tropnominal/GOL2_GPT2.TDPdry >> ../tropnominal/GOL2.TDPwetanddry
```

```
cp ../kpp1/run_again r2    # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Edit script r2:
 - Change TDP input file:
-tdp_in ../tropnominal/GOL2.TDPwetanddry \
 - Remove lines –trop_z_rw, and –wetzgrad (Still need –trop_map).
 - Execute script

```
./r2
```

Example 2: First look at run

- No errors in gd2p.err.
- Check that troposphere parameters not estimated.

diff wash.nml .../kpp1/wash.nml

- WETZTROP and WETZGRAD are now both set to .FALSE.

- Postfit residuals are slightly lower, although 1 outlier.
 - Note: Fewer parameters being estimated, and less freedom for data.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	5.6768E-06	2428	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	4.0494E-04	2429	0

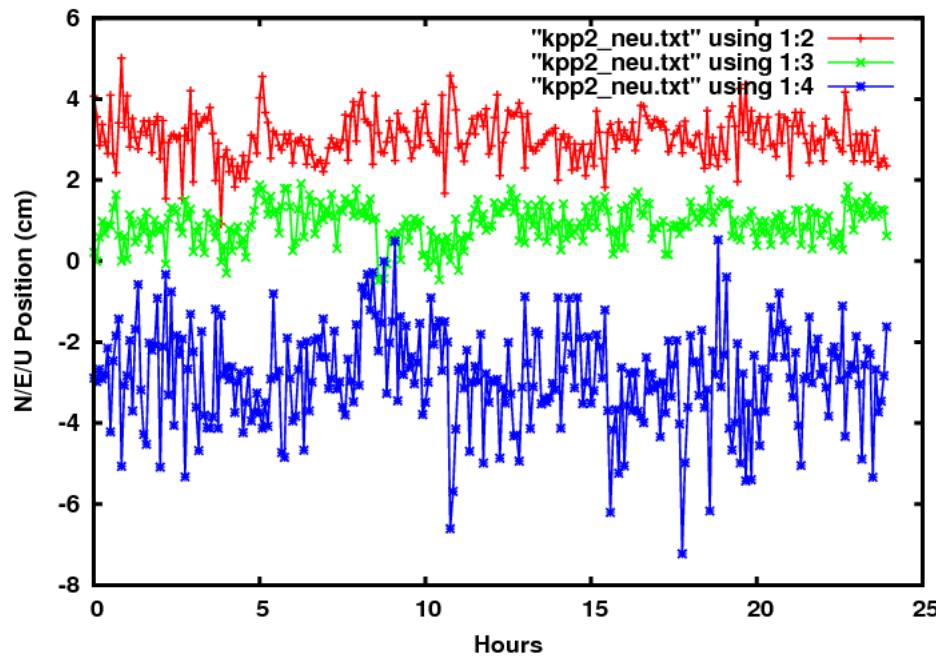
Example 2: Position solution relative to nominal



- Use tdp2llh to compare the solution to the nominal.

```
tdp2llh tdp_final GOL2 | grep est | cl h1 '1e2*c2' '1e2*c3' '1e2*c4' >
kpp2_neu.txt
```

```
gnup -lp1:2 kpp2_neu.txt -lp1:3 kpp2_neu.txt -lp1:4 kpp2_neu.txt -xl
'Hours' -yl 'N/E/U Position (cm)'
```



- What is standard deviation of time series?

```
cat kpp2_neu.txt | cl 2 | stats | cl 3
```

```
cat kpp2_neu.txt | cl 3 | stats | cl 3
```

```
cat kpp2_neu.txt | cl 4 | stats | cl 3
```

- North: 0.6 cm
- East: 0.5 cm
- Up: 1.2 cm
- This is lower than when troposphere was estimated.
 - Improved result given station is not moving.

Example 3: Changing Random Walk Parameters



```
cd ..  
mkdir kpp3  
cd kpp3  
cp .../kpp2/run_again r3    # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.  
– Edit script r3:  
– Add the following line:  
-kin_sta_xyz 1.0e-3 5.7e-7 300 RANDOMWALK \  
  
– gd2p's defaults are: 2.0e-3 1.0e-3 data_rate RANDOMWALK  
• In this example data rate = 300 seconds.  
• Defaults imply  $1.0e-3 \sqrt{300}$  km = 17.3 meters  
– Could just as well be white noise process for this type of station.  
• Changes imply  $5.7e-7 \sqrt{300}$  km = 10 mm  
– Execute script  
./r3
```

Example 3: First look at run



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- Postfit residuals are higher.
 - Tighter constraints on random walk mean less freedom for positions to follow data.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	6.7252E-06	2428	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	4.0493E-04	2429	0

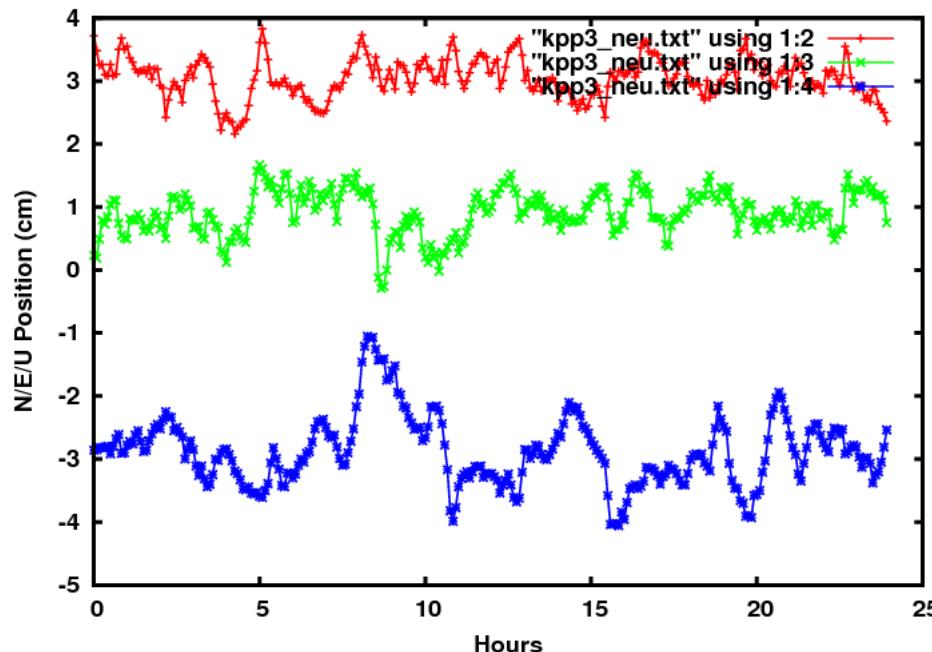
Example 3: Position solution relative to nominal



- Use tdp2llh to compare the solution to the nominal.

```
tdp2llh tdp_final GOL2 | grep est | cl h1 '1e2*c2' '1e2*c3' '1e2*c4' >
kpp3_neu.txt
```

```
gnup -lp1:2 kpp3_neu.txt -lp1:3 kpp3_neu.txt -lp1:4 kpp3_neu.txt -xl
'Hours' -yl 'N/E/U Position (cm)'
```



- What is standard deviation of time series?

```
cat kpp3_neu.txt | cl 2 | stats | cl 3
```

```
cat kpp3_neu.txt | cl 3 | stats | cl 3
```

```
cat kpp3_neu.txt | cl 4 | stats | cl 3
```

- North: 0.3 cm
- East: 0.4 cm
- Up: 0.6 cm
- Lower scatter with tighter constraints on random walk.

Example 3: Comparing pre- and post-amb solutions



- Get the pre-amb position solutions:

```
tdp2llh tdp_final_pre_amb GOL2 | grep est | cl h1 '1e2*c2' '1e2*c3' '1e2*c4' >
kpp3_neu_pre_amb.txt
cat kpp3_neu_pre_amb.txt | cl 2 | stats | cl 3
cat kpp3_neu_pre_amb.txt | cl 3 | stats | cl 3
cat kpp3_neu_pre_amb.txt | cl 4 | stats | cl 3
```

- Standard deviation of pre-amb versus post-amb time series.
 - Post-amb has slightly lower scatter.
 - Probably better since we know station is static.

	Pre-Amb	Post-Amb
North	0.4 cm	0.3 cm
East	0.4 cm	0.4 cm
Up	0.8 cm	0.6 cm

Example 4: Providing Nominal Station Position with TDP input



```
cd ..
```

```
mkdir kpp4
```

```
cd kpp4
```

```
cp ..../kpp3/run_again r4    # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
```

- Combine nominal troposphere (WET and DRY) and station positions in TDP input.

- Use solution from previous example, i.e., iterate

```
cp ..../tropnominal/GOL2.TDPwetanddry ..../tropnominal/GOL2.TDPwetanddrysta
```

```
grep "STA [XYZ]" ..../kpp3/tdp_final >> ..../tropnominal/GOL2.TDPwetanddrysta
```

WARNING: -env_km is ignored when providing STA [XYZ] in TDP input file.

- Edit script r4:

- Change the following line:

```
-tdp_in ..../tropnominal/GOL2.TDPwetanddrysta \
```

- Execute script

```
./r4
```

Example 4: First look at run



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- Postfit residuals are slightly lower.
 - Better nominal solution provided.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	LC	GOL2	6.4449E-06	2428	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:54:45	PC	GOL2	4.0494E-04	2429	0

- Verify that the nominal station positions are time-varying in this example.
 - Look at column 2 of tdp_final
- grep "STA X" tdp_final**
- In previous examples the nominal was constant.
- grep "STA X"/kpp3/tdp_final**

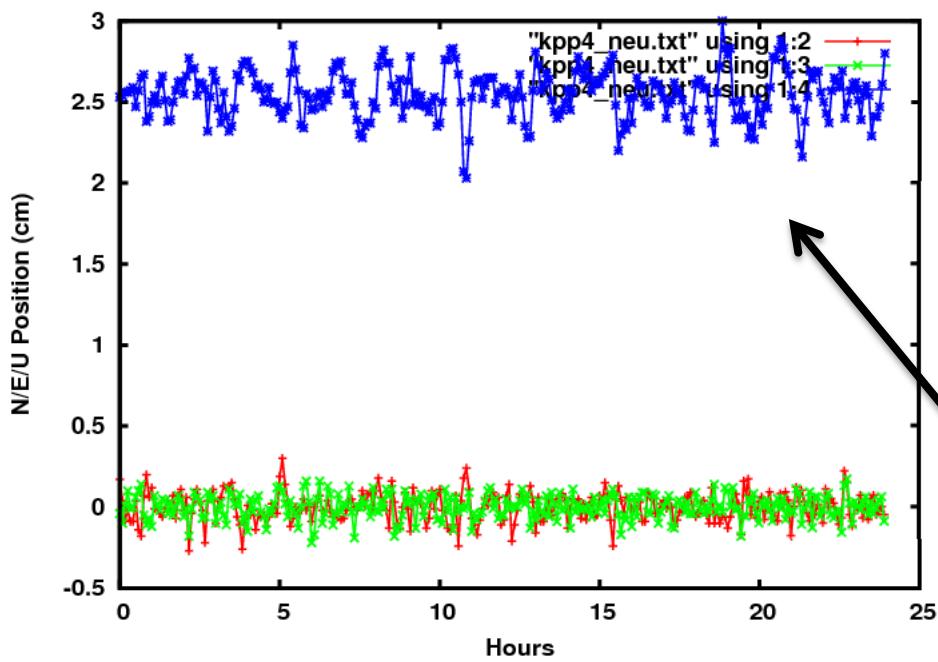
Example 4: Position solution relative to nominal



- Use tdp2llh to compare the solution to the nominal.

```
tdp2llh tdp_final GOL2 | grep est | cl h1 '1e2*c2' '1e2*c3' '1e2*c4' >
kpp4_neu.txt
```

```
gnup -lp1:2 kpp4_neu.txt -lp1:3 kpp4_neu.txt -lp1:4 kpp4_neu.txt -xl
'Hours' -yl 'N/E/U Position (cm)'
```



- What is scatter of time series?
- ```
cat kpp4_neu.txt | cl 2 | stats | cl 3
cat kpp4_neu.txt | cl 3 | stats | cl 3
cat kpp4_neu.txt | cl 4 | stats | cl 3
```
- North: 0.1 cm
  - East: 0.1 cm
  - Up: 0.1 cm
  - Using “est” from tdp2llh means we are looking at the change relative to the provided time varying nominal.
  - **Bias in UP component results from -env\_km information being ignored when providing STA [XYZ] in input.**

## Example 5: Using High Rate Data



```
cd ..
mkdir kpp5
cd kpp5
cp ../kpp4/run_again r5 # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.
– Edit script r5:
– Change data rate, and update rate of station positions to 30 seconds:
-r 30 \
-kin_sta_xyz 1.0e-3 5.7e-7 30 RANDOMWALK
– Execute script
./r5
```

**NOTE: Takes much longer to run with more data.**

## Example 5: First look at run



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- Number of data points increased by factor of 10.
- Post-fit PC residuals increase significantly.
  - PC data are not carrier smoothed if –r option is same as original data rate.

**cat Postfit.sum**

| start time       | stop time        | type | user | postfit sigma | npts  | outliers |
|------------------|------------------|------|------|---------------|-------|----------|
| 10JAN09 23:59:45 | 10JAN10 23:59:15 | LC   | GOL2 | 7.2019E-06    | 23883 | 14       |
| 10JAN09 23:59:45 | 10JAN10 23:59:15 | PC   | GOL2 | 1.0627E-03    | 23690 | 207      |

## Example 5 – More checks



- Verify that the input transmitter clocks are high-rate (30-second) clocks.
  - Look at gd2p.log to verify that high-rate clock product was found.  
2010-01-10\_hr.tdp.gz
  - Look at column 1 of tdp\_clk\_yaw  
**more tdp\_clk\_yaw**
- If high-rate transmitter clocks not available, could also use low-rate (5-minute) clocks and add –interp\_300 option to gd2p command.
  - Expect higher postfit residuals and accuracy of solution to be worse.
- Verify that station position estimates are also at high-rate.
  - See column 1 of tdp\_final file.  
**grep "STA X" tdp\_final | more**

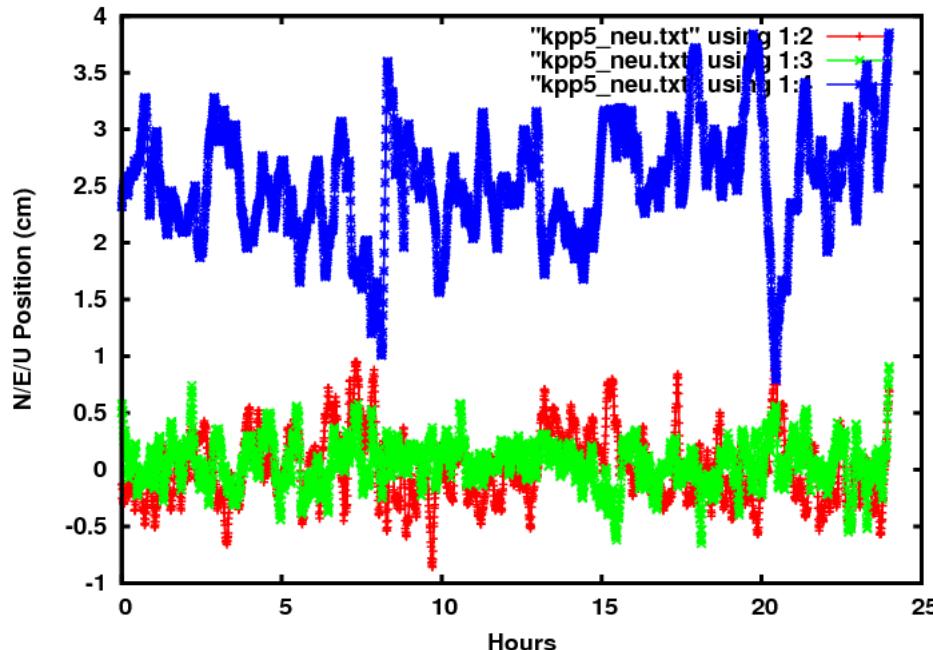
## Example 5: Position solution relative to nominal



- Use tdp2llh to compare the solution to the nominal.

```
tdp2llh tdp_final GOL2 | grep est | cl h1 '1e2*c2' '1e2*c3' '1e2*c4' >
kpp5_neu.txt
```

```
gnup -lp1:2 kpp5_neu.txt -lp1:3 kpp5_neu.txt -lp1:4 kpp5_neu.txt -xl
'Hours' -yl 'N/E/U Position (cm)'
```



- What is scatter of time series?
- ```
cat kpp5_neu.txt | cl 2 | stats | cl 3
cat kpp5_neu.txt | cl 3 | stats | cl 3
cat kpp5_neu.txt | cl 4 | stats | cl 3
```
- North: 0.3 cm
 - East: 0.2 cm
 - Up: 0.5 cm
 - Larger scatter than low-rate run, as expected.

Example 6: Using Whitenoise Process

```
cd ..  
mkdir kpp6  
cd kpp6  
cp ../kpp5/run_again r6    # Copy run_again, and modify as needed.  
– Edit script r6:  
– Switch to a white noise process to give kinematic solution freedom to  
follow the data. Useful for following cases:  
• Platform moving rapidly (e.g., airplane)  
• Motion is not known (could use pr2p to provide apriori information).  
– Might use as first attempt before “smoothing” with RANDOMWALK.  
• To capture rapid “jumps” in station position.  
-kin_sta_xyz 1.0e3 1.0e3 30 WHITENOISE  
– Execute script  
./r6
```

Example 6: First look at run



- No errors in gd2p.err.
- Post-fit PC residuals decrease significantly.
 - Positions have significant freedom to follow the data.

cat Postfit.sum

start time	stop time	type	user	postfit sigma	npts	outliers
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:59:15	LC	GOL2	5.9111E-06	23896	1
10JAN09 23:59:45	10JAN10 23:59:15	PC	GOL2	1.0622E-03	23689	207

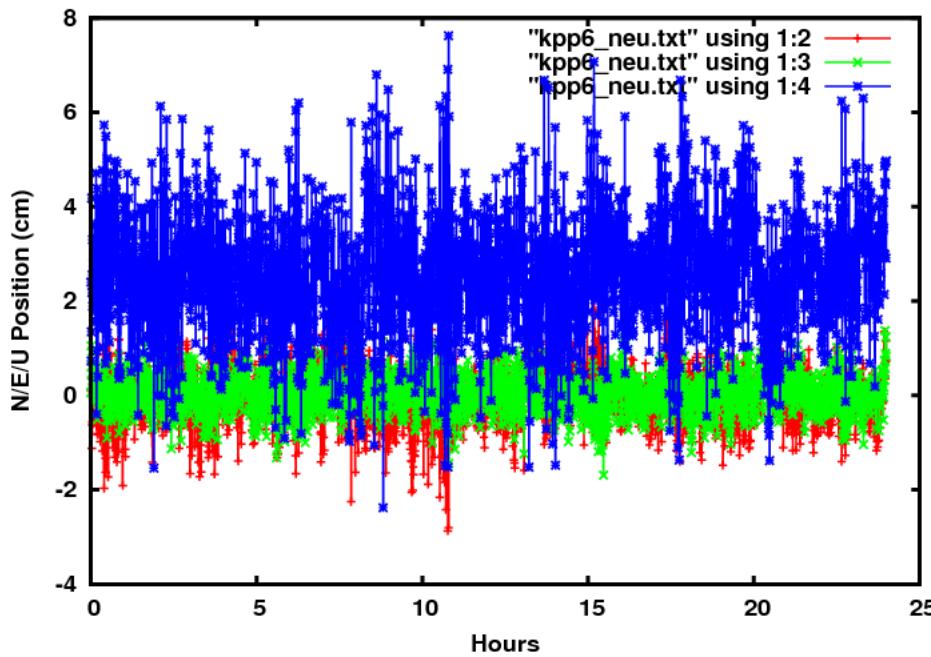
Example 6: Position solution relative to nominal



- Use tdp2llh to compare the solution to the nominal.

```
tdp2llh tdp_final GOL2 | grep est | cl h1 '1e2*c2' '1e2*c3' '1e2*c4' >
kpp6_neu.txt
```

```
gnup -lp1:2 kpp6_neu.txt -lp1:3 kpp6_neu.txt -lp1:4 kpp6_neu.txt -xl
'Hours' -yl 'N/E/U Position (cm)'
```



- What is standard deviation of time series?
- ```
cat kpp6_neu.txt | cl 2 | stats | cl 3
cat kpp6_neu.txt | cl 3 | stats | cl 3
cat kpp6_neu.txt | cl 4 | stats | cl 3
```
- North: 0.6 cm
  - East: 0.4 cm
  - Up: 1.2 cm
  - Significantly larger scatter as expected.
  - Represents extreme limit of positioning accuracy achievable from available data.
    - Random walk effectively smooths this solution.



- Troposphere and clock are more correlated with position.
  - Provide nominal troposphere.
  - Use an atomic clock.
- Be more careful of bad data.
- Default gd2p.pl model is random walk model on STA [XYZ]
  - See flags –type, -kin\_sta\_xyz
  - If random walk (or white noise) update rate is different than the data rate, and nominal positions are provided through an input TDP file, positions will be interpolated to measurement times.
- Iterate on solution unless you have a good nominal.
  - Depends on speed of platform.