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Krumm, cap 7

# Location & Position Services

- principles
- outdoors
  - GPS
  - cellID
- indoors
  - WiFi based
- Google

# Where am I?

- **Location vs. position**
  - Location: symbolic location (building/room)
  - Position: x,y,z, long, lat, alt
- **Technologies**
  - Look up on the map
  - Dead reckoning
  - Radio
  - Light
- **Infrastructure support**
  - Instrumented environment
  - Existing infrastructure
  - Independent positioning
- **Errors**
  - Measurements
  - Clocks, CPUs
  - situation
- **Accuracy, precision**

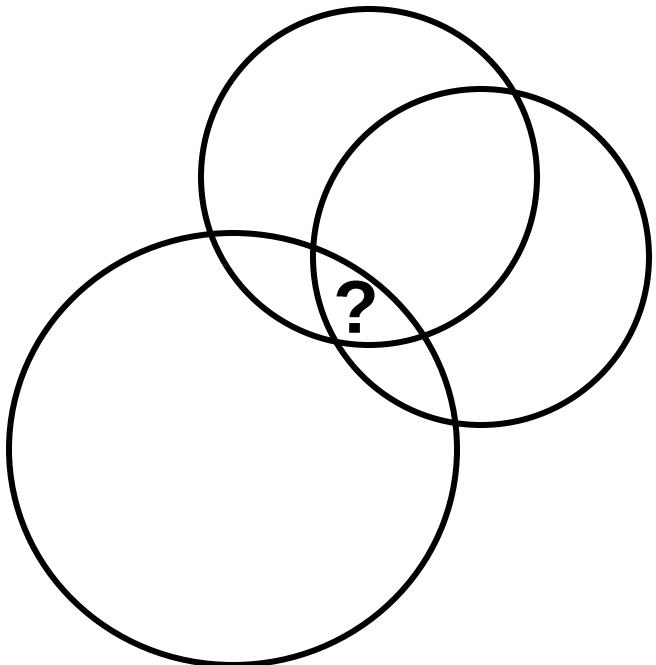
# Principles

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- 1. proximity**
- 2. multilateration**
- 3. multiangulation**
- 4. fingerprinting**

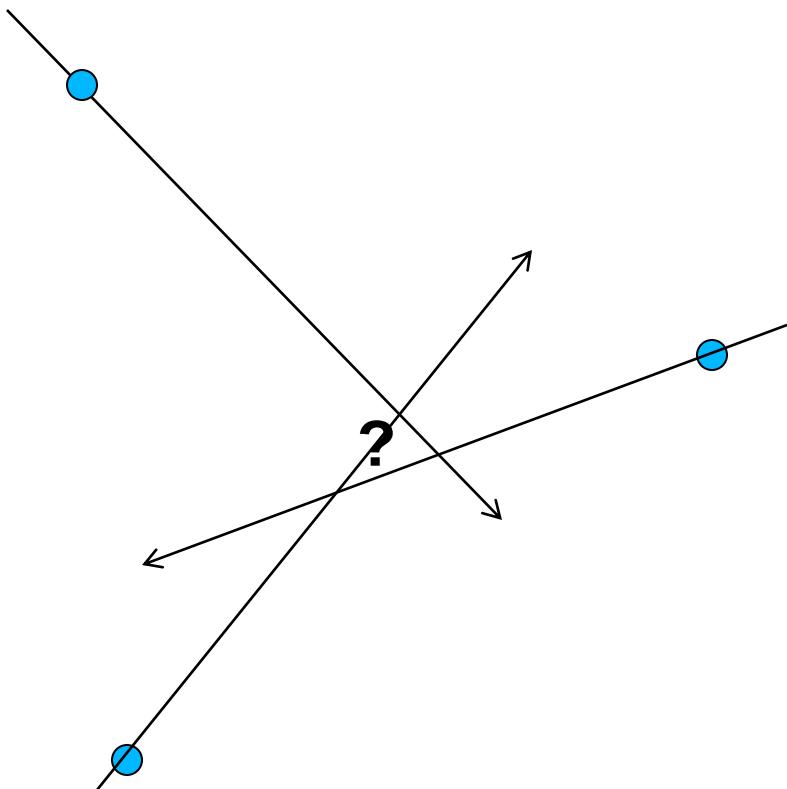
# Proximity

- QR code: you are at ... (location | position)
- AP MAC
  - Where is the AP?
  - How large is the circle?
- CELL ID
  - Idem
- Solve: intersect circles
- IP geolocation
  - Problem: wide area providers
  - Problem: tunnels



# Multiangulation

- Two known lines
- How to find lines?
  - Known points
  - Measure angles
  - Compass?
- Not widely used in today's mobiles



# Multilateration

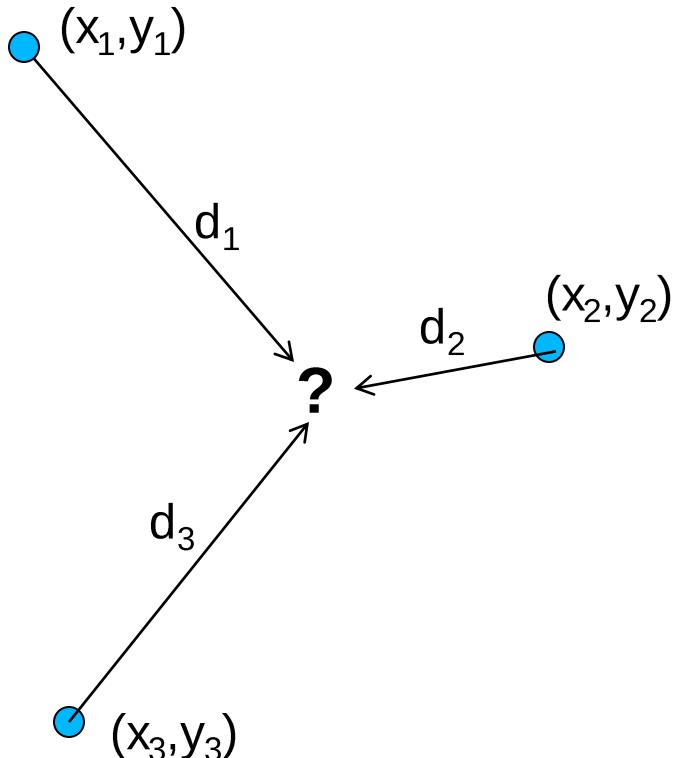
- Distances to known points:

$$(x-x_1)^2 + (y-y_1)^2 = d_1^2$$

$$(x-x_2)^2 + (y-y_2)^2 = d_2^2$$

$$(x-x_3)^2 + (y-y_3)^2 = d_3^2$$

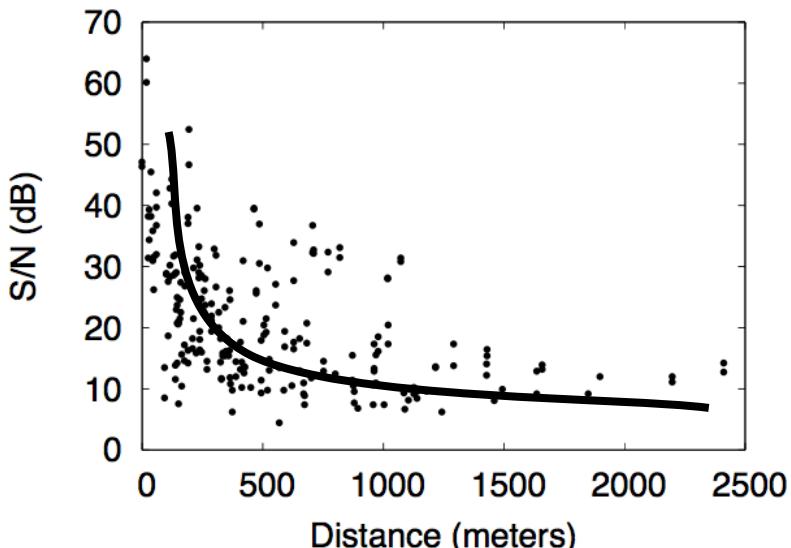
- How to
  - Measure distances?
  - Deal with distance errors?
  - Solve the system?



# how to measure distances(ranging)?

## 1. Signal strength

- Inaccurate indoor
- Affected by multipath



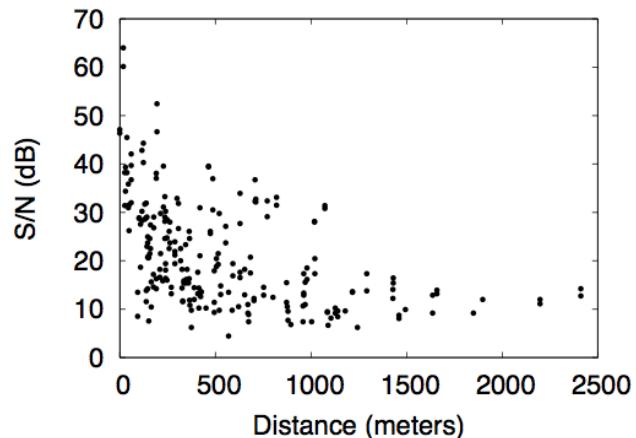
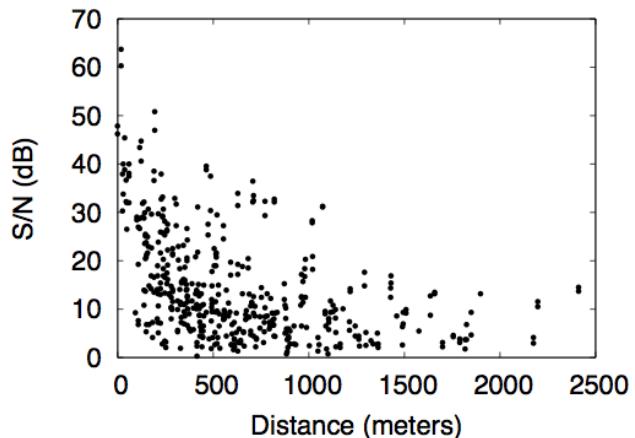
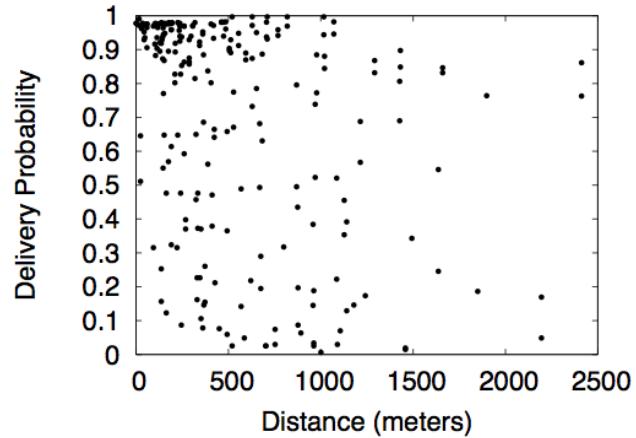
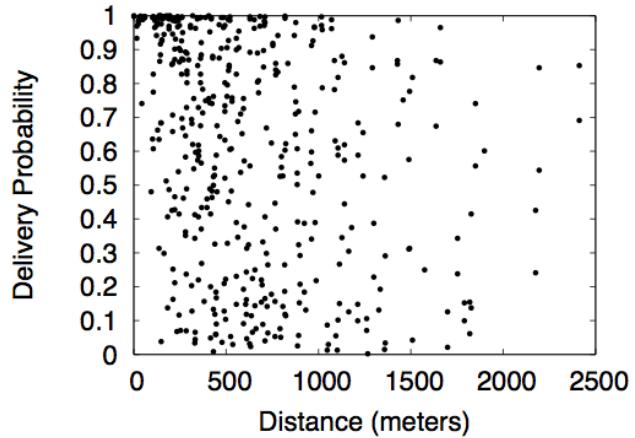
Example: my SNR = 30dB

How far am I?

## 2. Time of flight (TOF)

- Range =  $c(t^R - t^S)$
- Needs clock synchronization

# SS vs distance, PDR vs distance



**802.11b 1Mbps**

**802.11b 11Mbps**

**Signal is highly variable indoors**

# fingerprinting

- $SS = P/d^2$  is only idealized outdoors
- Indoors:



- Radio fingerprint of a point  $(x,y)$ 
  - $SS_1$  to  $AP_1$ ,
  - $SS_2$  to  $AP_2$ ,
  - ...

(roughly unique)

- Training phase

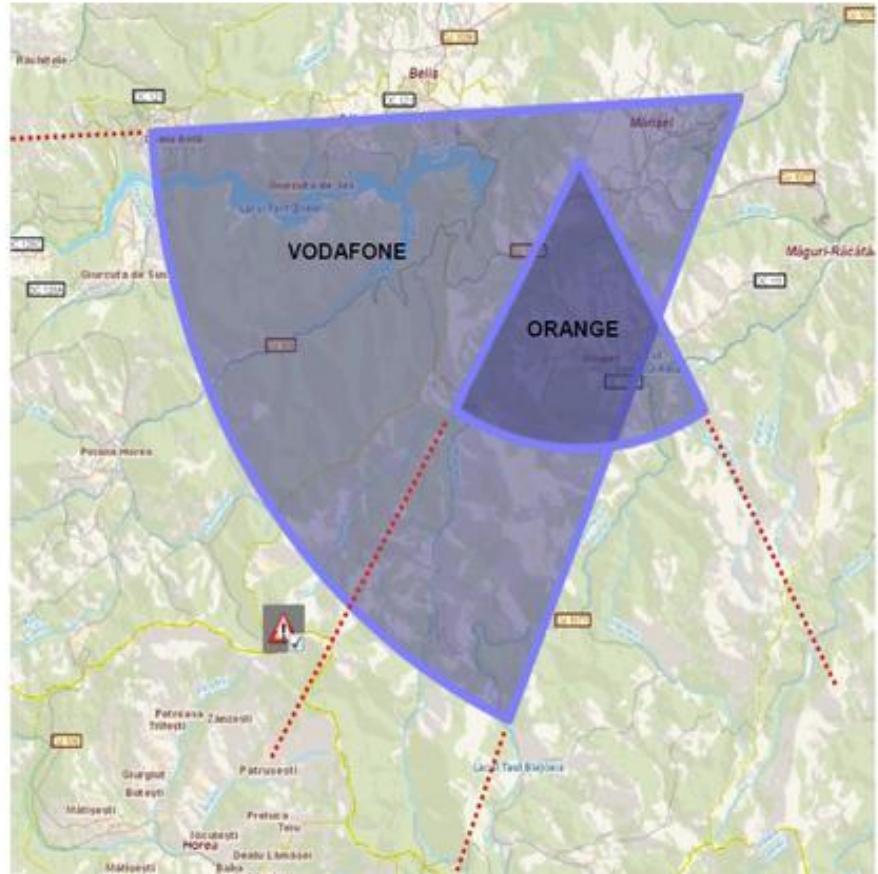
X	Y	APA	APB	APC
$x_1$	$y_1$	$SS_1^A$	$SS_1^B$	$SS_1^C$
$x_2$	$y_2$	$SS_2^A$	$SS_2^B$	$SS_2^C$
$x_3$	$y_3$	$SS_3^A$	$SS_3^B$	$SS_3^C$
$x_4$	$y_4$	$SS_4^A$	$SS_4^B$	$SS_4^C$

- Online phase:  
I see  $(SS_0^A, SS_0^B, SS_0^C)$ ,  
Where am I ?

# GSM/UMTS based positioning

- From user – cell-id
- From operator
  - Sector + time advance (GSM)
  - Multiple cells (UMTS)

SUPRAPUNERE IMAGINI LOCALIZARE  
APELURI VODAFONE / ORANGE



Accidentul din Apuseni (2014):

S.T.S. – NU DETINE ALTE MIJLOACE DE LOCALIZARE, CF. LEGII

## LOCALIZAREA APELULUI 112

**INFORMAȚIA DE LOCALIZARE** - datele care indică **poziția geografică** în care se află echipamentul terminal al unui utilizator de telefonie mobilă sau **adresa fizică** de instalare a punctului terminal pentru o rețea de telefonie fixă. ( OUG 34/2008, aprobată prin Legea 160/2008, art. 3, alin. n)

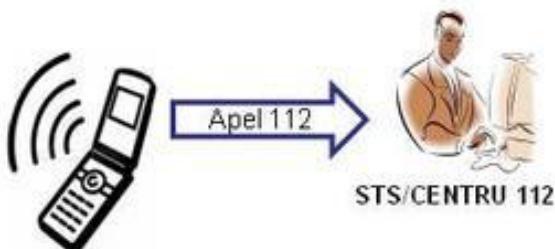
**ANCOM** - stabilește conținutul și formatul datelor în baza cărora este obținută automat informația de localizare a apelantului. (Decizia ANCOM nr. 1023/2008, art. 27 la 32)

### ♦ Localizarea apelului din rețele mobile de telefonie

#### IDENTIFICATOR CELULA SAU SECTOR

Decizie ANCOM 1023-2008, art 27

#### Localizare aplicată în cazul accidentului aviatic



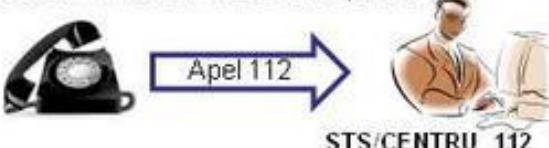
Date transmise de operator: 1,2,3 si 4

Figura desenată de STS pe baza datelor de la operator

### ♦ Localizarea apelului din rețele fixe de telefonie

#### ADRESA FIZICĂ: oraș, stradă, adresă

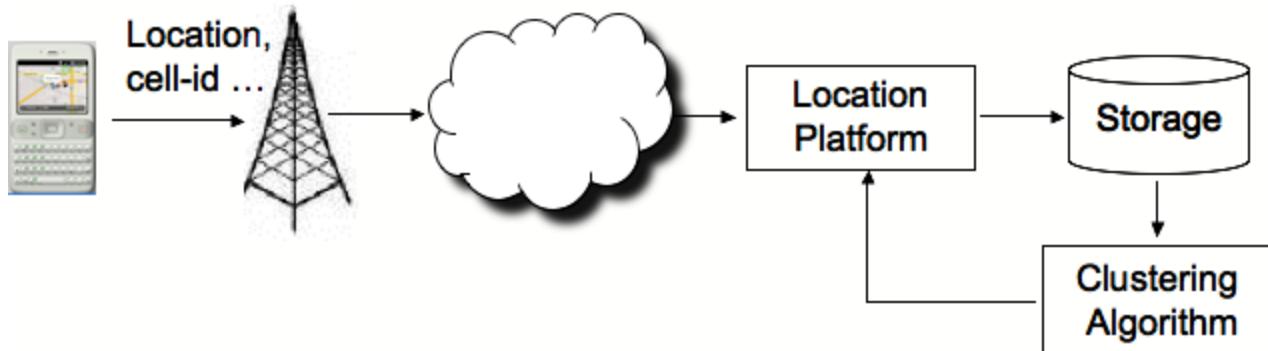
Decizie ANCOM 1023-2008, art 31



Furnizate de operatori ca liste

**S.T.S. – NU DETINE ALTE MIJLOACE DE LOCALIZARE, CF. LEGII**

- API lookup fingerprint (WiFi+Cell)
- Google car
- + involuntary ↳ crowdsourcing
  - Cell id + GPS
  - WiFi MAC + GPS
    - Every 45s (NetworkLocationProvider.java)
    - Submitted even when not running any Google app



<https://support.google.com/gmm/answer/81873>

<http://googlemobile.blogspot.ro/2008/06/google-enables-location-aware.html>

# GPS

Slides borrowed from Richard Y. Yang @ Yale

# GPS Basics

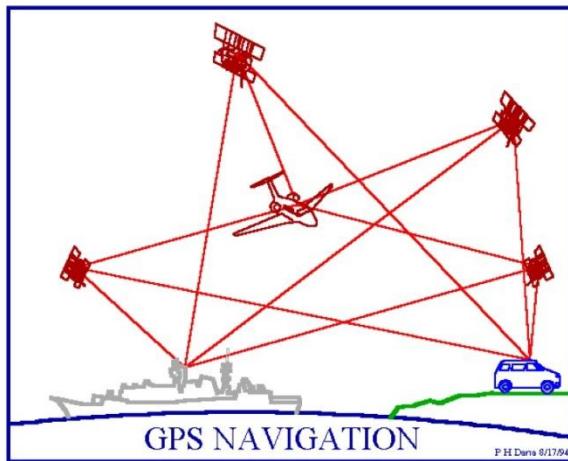
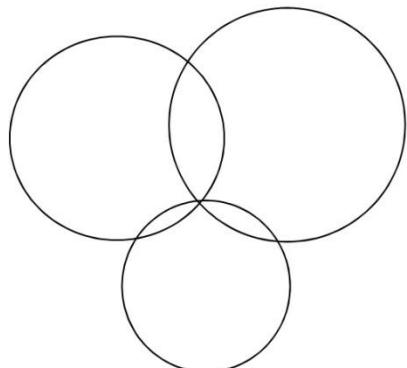
Simply stated: The GPS satellites are nothing more than a set of wireless base stations in the sky @20000 Km

- The satellites simultaneously broadcast beacon messages (called navigation messages)
- A GPS receiver measures time of arrival to the satellites, and then uses “trilateration” to determine its position

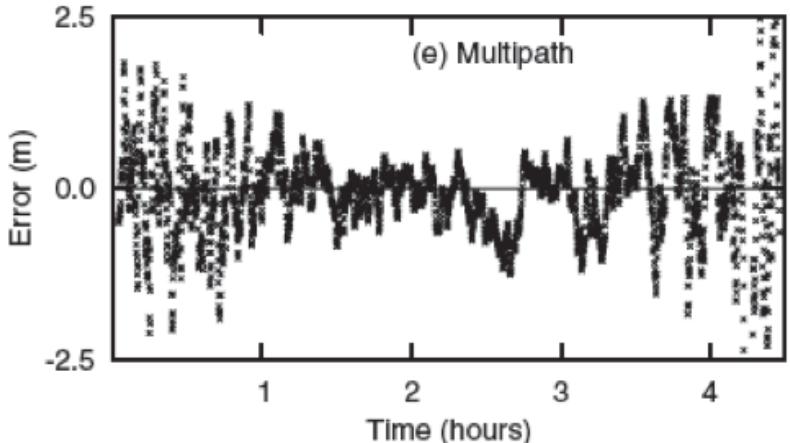
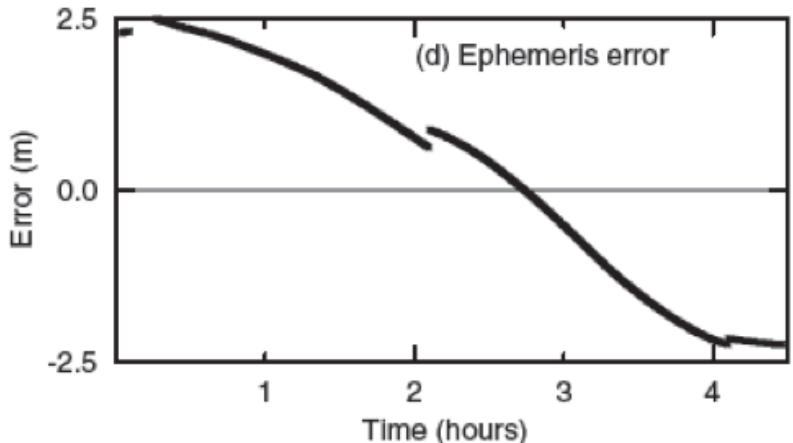
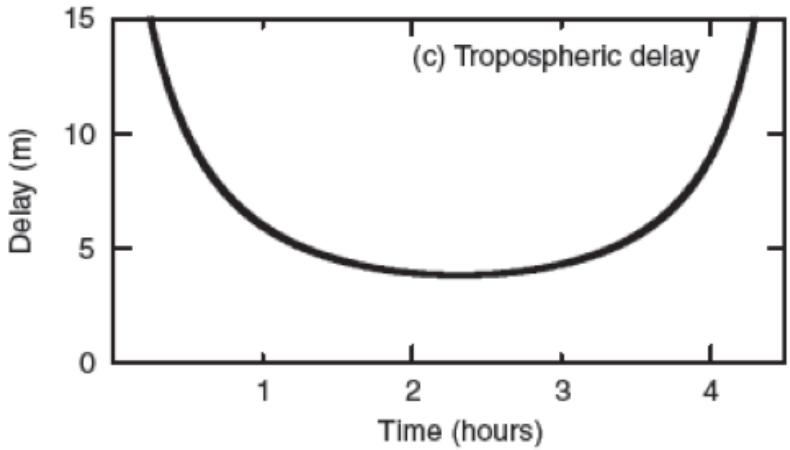
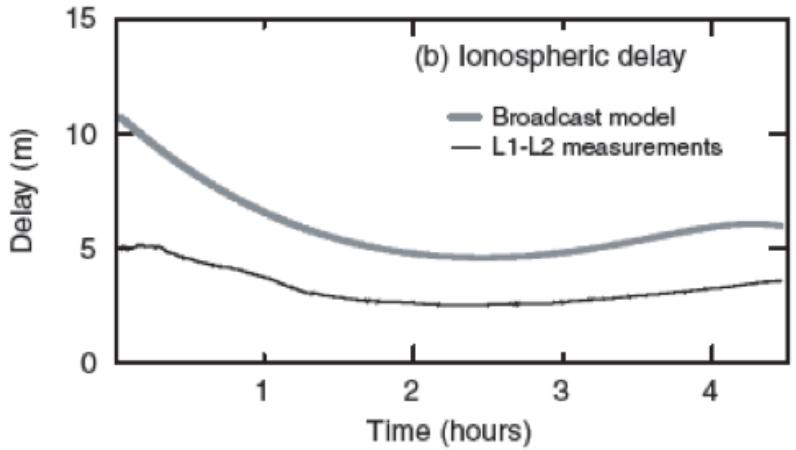
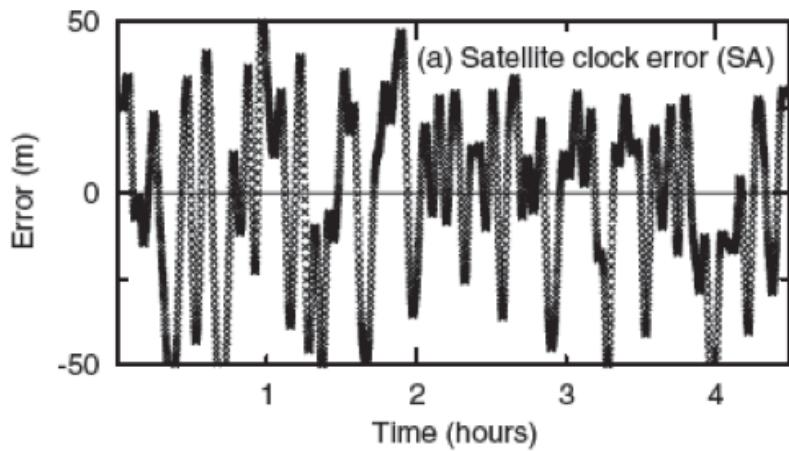
# GPS Basics: Tri lateration

- Measurement:  $t^{R1} = t^S + \frac{\|p - p_1\|}{c}$

Computes distance  $\|p - p_1\| = c(t^{R1} - t^S) + \text{error}$

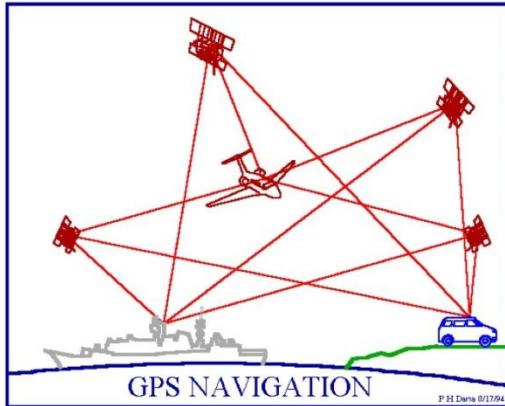


# Sources of range measurement error



# GPS Basics: Triangulation

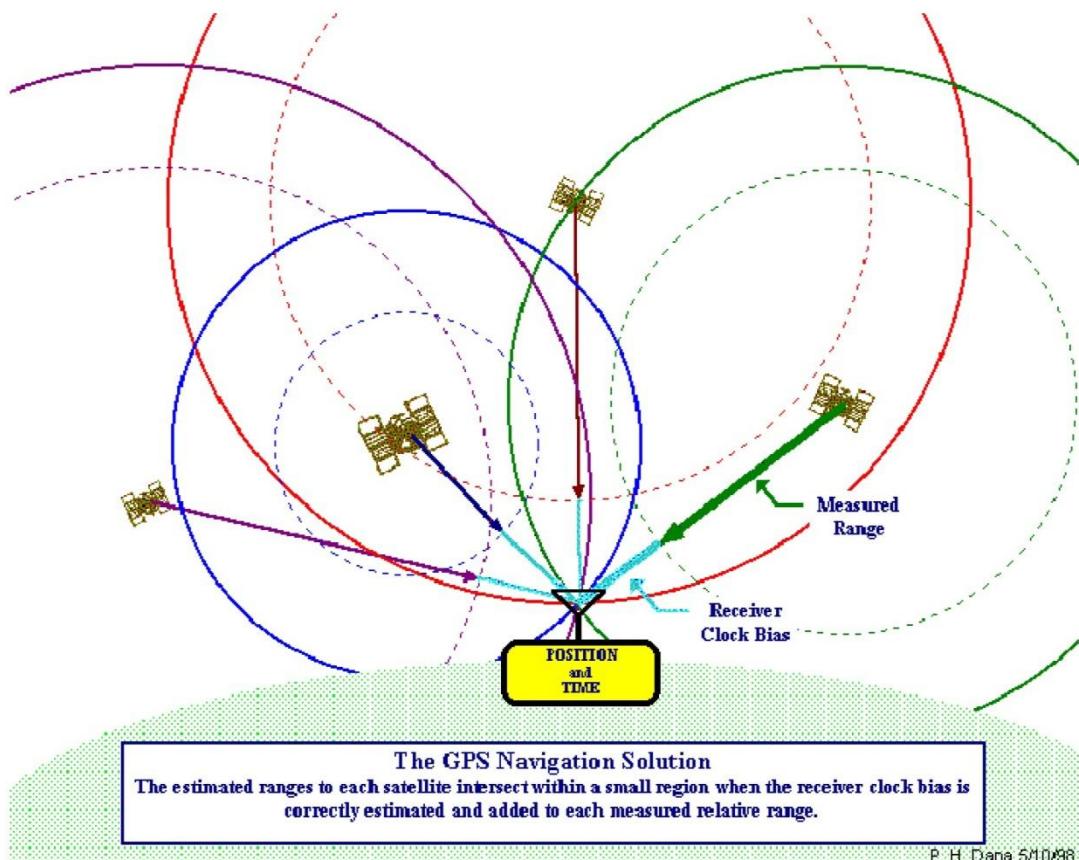
- In reality, receiver clock is not sync'd with satellites
- Thus need to estimate clock



$$\begin{aligned}
 t^{R1} = t^S + \frac{d_1}{c} + \delta_{clock-drift} &\longrightarrow \|p - p_1\| = c(t^{R1} - t^S - \delta_{clock-drift}) \\
 &= c(t^{R1} - t^S) - c\delta_{clock-drift}
 \end{aligned}$$

called pseudo range

## Why Do I Need To See 4 Satellites?



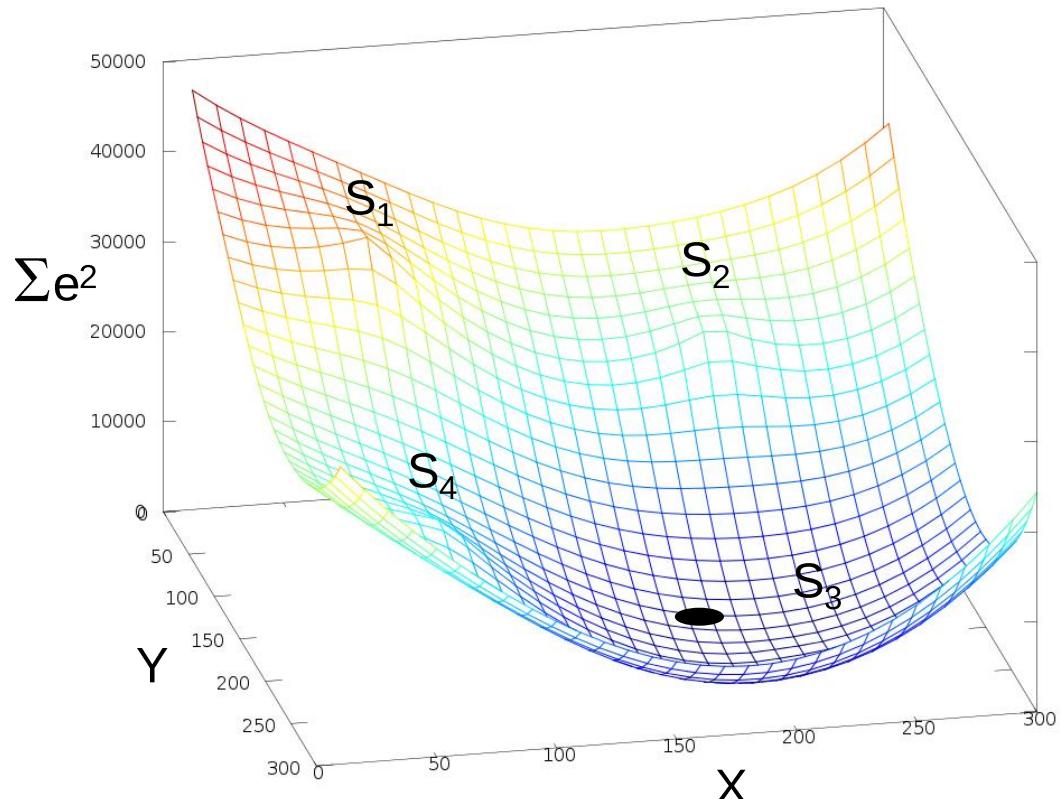
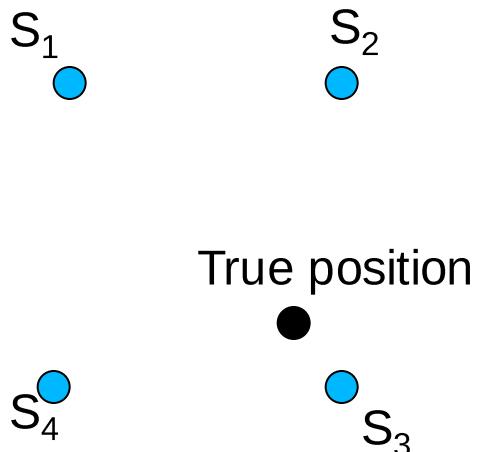
# GPS – solving for position

- Why do we need min. 4 satellites?
  - clock drift: the fourth unknown besides x,y,z
- System solving implies minimizing error
  - Needs a starting candidate
    - Recent fix, A-GPS
    - Time to first fix => no candidate, needs many ‘good’ satellites
  - Refine the candidate to reduce the error
- System needs to be ‘well conditioned’
  - Worst case: all satellites on one side
    - possibly huge errors => receiver refuses to fix
    - GDOP = geometric dilution of precision
  - Best case => satellites around mobile

# GPS – favorable position

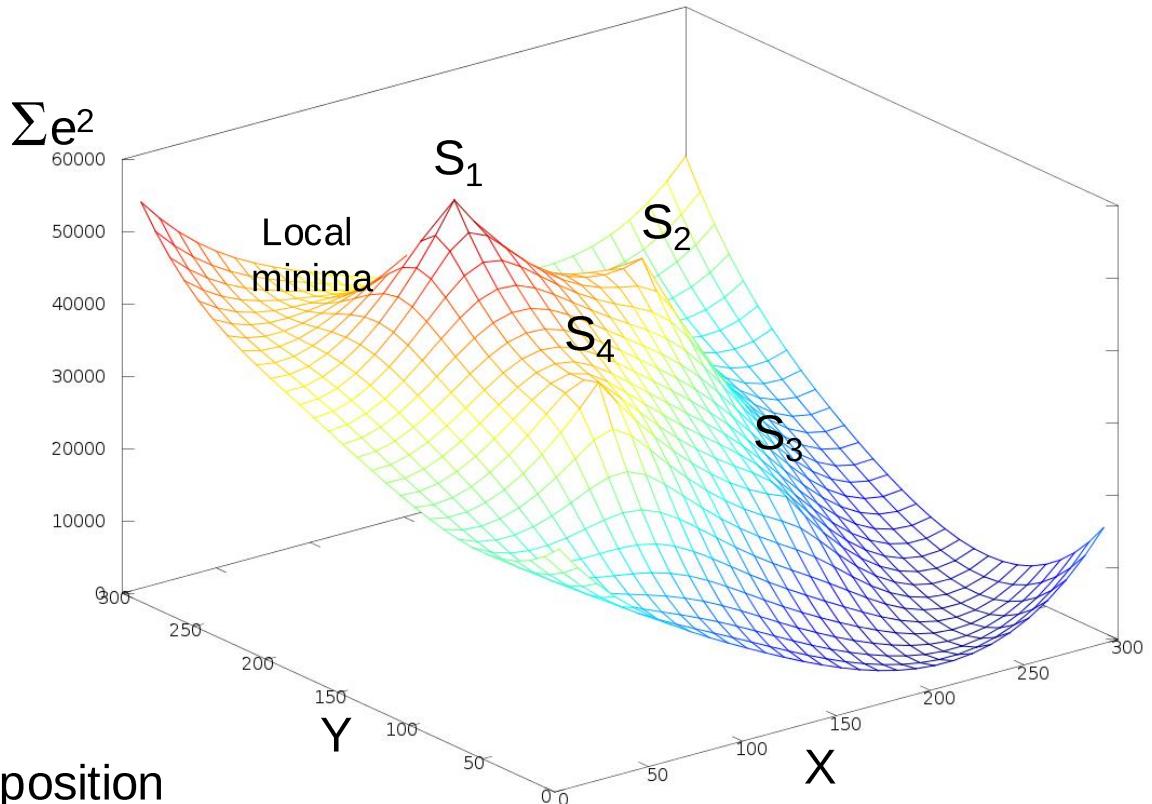
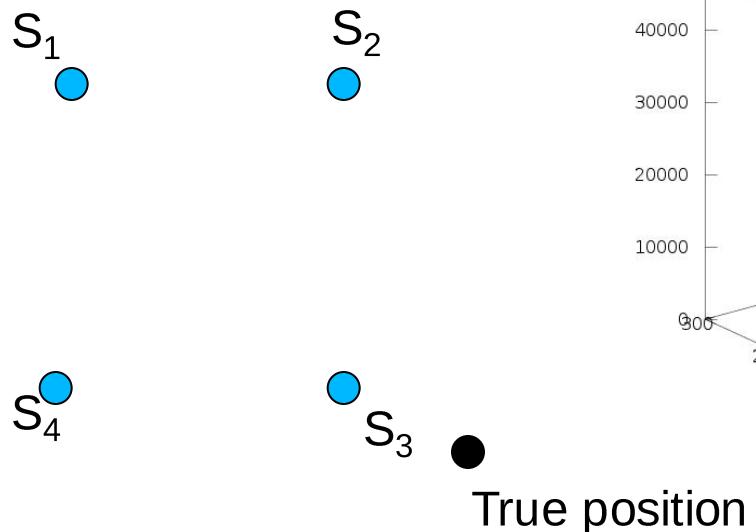
**Plane example:**

1. ranges have errors (not shown)
2. start with a candidate – any on the surface
3. go towards lower error
4. leads towards the ‘right’ minimum



# GPS – bad GDOP position

1. ranges have errors (not shown)
2. start with a candidate – now it matters which
3. go towards lower error
4. some might lead to local minima



# GPS Design/Operation

- Segments (components)
  - user segment: users with receivers
  - control segment: control the satellites
  - space segment:
    - the constellation of satellites
    - transmission scheme

# Control Segment

Master Control Station is located at the Consolidated Space Operations Center (CSOC) at Flacon Air Force Station near Colorado Springs

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Global Positioning System (GPS) Master Control and Monitor Station Network

# CSOC

- Track the satellites for orbit and clock determination
- Time synchronization
- Upload the Navigation Message
- Manage Denial Of Availability (DOA)

# Space Segment: Constellation

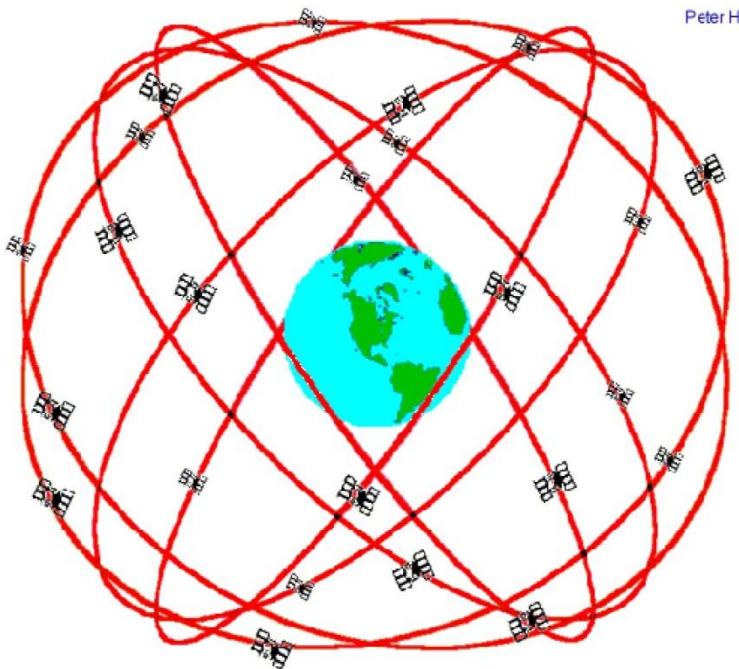


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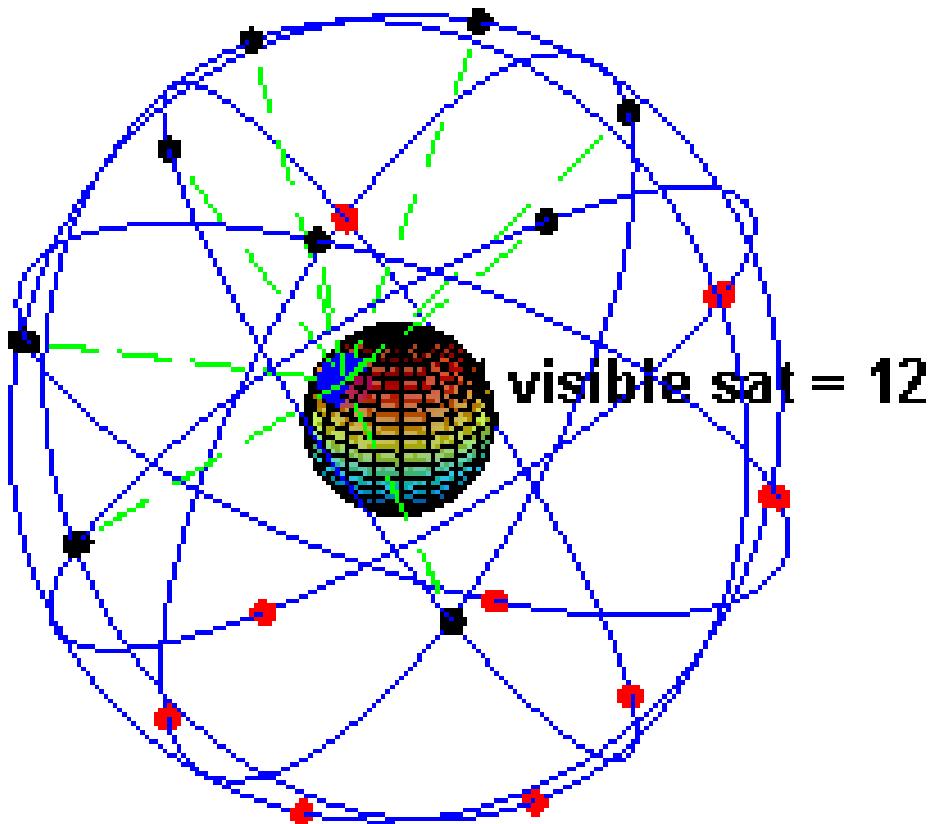
- System consists of 32 satellites in the operational mode 31 in use and 1 spares  
3 other satellites are used for testing
- Altitude: 20,200 Km with periods of 12 hr.
- Current Satellites: Block IIR- \$25,000,000  
2000 KG
- Hydrogen maser atomic clocks
  - these clocks lose one second every 2,739,000 million years

# GPS Orbits

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**GPS Nominal Constellation**  
**24 Satellites in 6 Orbital Planes**  
**4 Satellites in each Plane**  
**20,200 km Altitudes, 55 Degree Inclination**



# GPS Satellite Transmission Scheme: Navigation Message

- To compute position one must know the positions of the satellites
- Navigation message consists of:
  - satellite status to allow calculating pos
  - clock info
- Navigation Message at 50 bps
  - each frame is 1500 bits
  - ephemeris (precise orbit, from each satellite): 6sec
  - almanac (coarse orbits, all satellites): 12.5 min

More detail: see <http://home.tiscali.nl/~samsvl/nav2eu.htm>

# GPS Satellite Transmission Scheme: Requirements

- All 24 GPS satellites transmit Navigation Messages on the same frequencies
- Resistant to jamming
- Resistant to spoofing
- Allows military control of access (selected availability)

## GPS As a Communication Infrastructure

- All 24 GPS satellites transmit on the same frequencies BUT use different codes
  - i.e., Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS), and
  - Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA)
  - Using BPSK to encode bits

Navigational Data (D)

50 bps

C/A Code (C)  
Orthogonal/satellite

1023 chips  
repeat every 1ms

$C \oplus D$

Carrier

1.575GHz

Final Signal

# GPS acquisition

- Cold start:
  - No previous knowledge
  - Needs almanac: 12.5 min
  - Brute force  $30+$  frequency bins  $\times$   $8000+$  phases / satellite
    - Doppler
    - code phase
- Warm start < 30sec
  - Search around previous code phase, Doppler
- Hot start < 1sec
  - Directly tracking
- A-GPS
  - Up to date ephemeris from GSM basestation

# GPS power consumption

- Low link speed 50bps
- Ephemeris (precise orbit, from each satellite): 6sec
- Almanac (coarse orbits, all satellites): 12.5 min
- **Continuous tracking for clock sync, frequency shifts**
  - Substantial signal processing
  - Doppler: sat may fly @ 800ms
  - code phase: where inside the CDMA code
  - least squares: solve system
- Cheap to track (update Doppler, phase)
- Expensive to start (after 30s)
- Example: 25s@462mW

# Extensions to GPS

- Differential GPS
  - ground stations with known positions calculate positions using GPS
  - the difference (fix) transmitted using FM radio
  - used to improve accuracy
  
- Assisted GPS
  - put a server on the ground to help a GPS receiver
  - reduces GPS search time from minutes to seconds

