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# Open-Source Multipath Mitigation Technology- integrated GNSS Direct Position Estimation

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## Problem with GNSS in urban environments?

- **Multipath (MP)** and **non-line-of-sight (NLOS)** receptions, attenuation, and diffraction from urban structures.

## Common Mitigation methods?

- Integration with other systems, including but not limited to 3D mapping, and inertial navigation systems (INS).
- But such methods relied on other positioning systems and **does not improve the performance of sole GNSS receivers**

Zhang, G., & Hsu, L. T. (2021). Performance assessment of GNSS diffraction models in urban areas. NAVIGATION, 68(2), 369-389. <https://doi.org/10.1002/navi.417>

Wen, W., Bai, X., Kan, Y. C., & Hsu, L.-T. (2019). Tightly Coupled GNSS/INS Integration via Factor Graph and Aided by Fish-Eye Camera. IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology, 68(11), 10651-10662. <https://doi.org/10.1109/tvt.2019.2944680>



## Common Two-Step Positioning (2SP) architectures

### Scalar Tracking Loop (STL) – Non-linear Least Square (LS) Estimator

- **Independent** tracking loops estimate pseudorange and pseudorange rates of individual satellites
- No information sharing between tracking loops
- No information fed back from navigation processor (LS)

### Vector Tracking Loop (VTL) – Extended Kalman Filter (EKF)

- Code discriminator and carrier loop filter outputs are fed towards the EKF
- PVT are fed back into tracking loops to aid in estimating the code phase and carrier frequency => **mutual aiding**

Lashley, M., Bevilacqua, D. M., & Hung, J. Y. (2010). A valid comparison of vector and scalar tracking loops. IEEE/ION Position, Location and Navigation Symposium, Indian Wells, CA, USA.

Xu, B., Jia, Q., & Hsu, L.-T. (2020). Vector Tracking Loop-Based GNSS NLOS Detection and Correction: Algorithm Design and Performance Analysis. IEEE Transactions on Instrumentation and Measurement, 69(7), 4604-4619. <https://doi.org/10.1109/tim.2019.2950578>

## Direct Position Estimation (DPE)

- A **single-step** positioning algorithm
- **Directly** calculates the positioning estimates in the navigation domain

### Main idea:

Satellite signals code delay and Doppler frequencies are **functions of the receiver's position, velocity, and time** (PVT),  $\boldsymbol{\gamma} = [\mathbf{p}^T, \mathbf{v}^T, \delta t, \delta \dot{t}]^T$

Code Delay  $\tau \triangleq \mathbf{p}$  Receiver Position

Doppler freq.  $f_d \triangleq \mathbf{v}$  Receiver Velocity

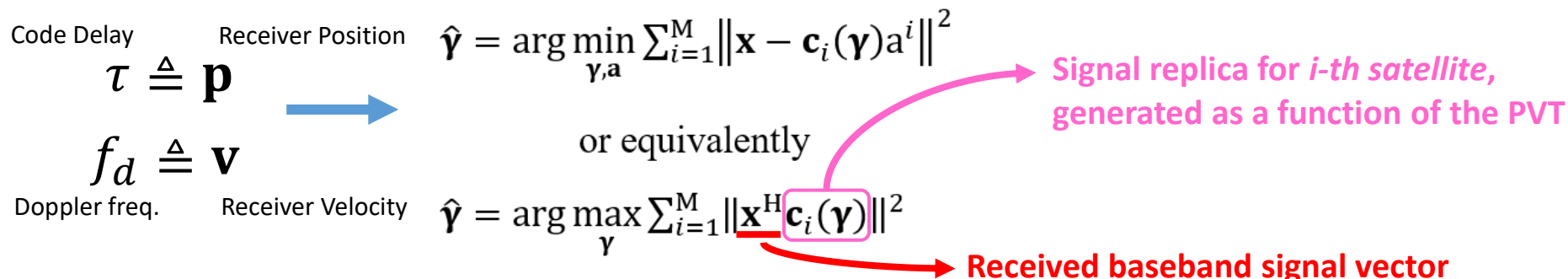
$\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}} = \arg \min_{\boldsymbol{\gamma}, \mathbf{a}} \sum_{i=1}^M \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}_i(\boldsymbol{\gamma}) \mathbf{a}^i\|^2$

or equivalently

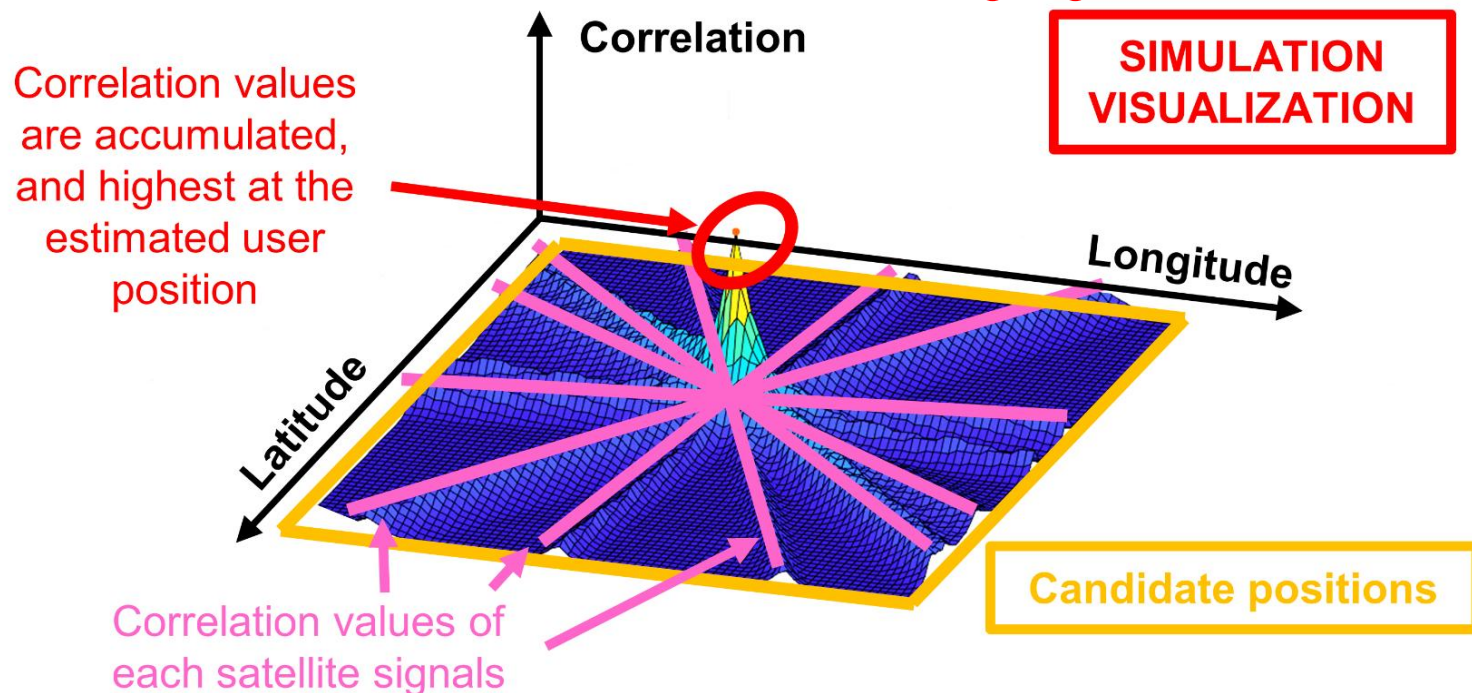
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Signal replica for  $i$ -th satellite, generated as a function of the PVT

Received baseband signal vector



**Grid-based method** - Local signal replicas are for each **candidate PVT**, and correlated with the incoming signal



DPE proven to offer **superior performance against 2SP**

**in terms of...**

- Weak signal reception
- MP reception

**Proven through...**

- Theoretical bounds i.e., Cramér-Rao lower bound (CRLB) and Ziv-Zakai bound (ZZB)
- Statistical multipath channel models (DLR)

Closas, P., Fernández-Prades, C., & Fernández-Rubio, J. A. (2009a). Cramér–Rao Bound Analysis of Positioning Approaches in GNSS Receivers. *IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing*, 57(10), 3775–3786. <https://doi.org/10.1109/TSP.2009.2025083>

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Gusi-Amigó, A., Closas, P., Mallat, A., & Vandendorpe, L. (2018). Ziv-Zakai Bound for Direct Position Estimation. *NAVIGATION*, 65(3), 463–475. <https://doi.org/10.1002/navi.259>





1. GNSS positioning with DPE is mostly **left uninvestigated** and **unapplied commercially**.

2. Though robust, GNSS **DPE positioning still degrades due to Multipath**

- **DPE performance depreciates due to MP and NLOS in urban environments** (Gao et al., 2025; Huang et al., 2025; Jia & Guo, 2025; Vincenzo et al., 2023).
- Xie and Petovello (2015) had previously discovered that the ACF peak does not necessarily correspond to the LOS peak in real urban environments i.e., **a stronger reflected signal than the LOS**.

Gao, W., Yang, R., Huang, J., & Zhan, X. (2025). Quasi-Deep Integration for DPE/INS in GNSS Navigation Domain: Framework Design and Optimization. IEEE Transactions on Aerospace and Electronic Systems, 61(3), 6774-6793. <https://doi.org/10.1109/taes.2025.3532891>

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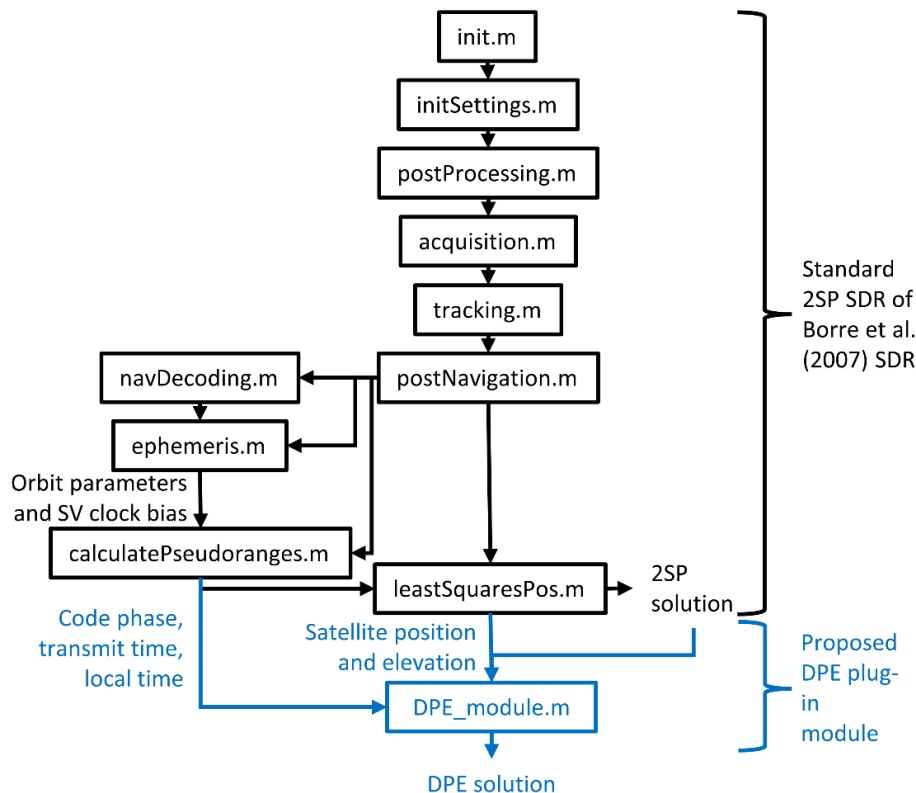
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## Objective:

1. **Spur research into DPE and its popularization** as a more robust positioning technique compared to 2SP → New DPE architecture with pseudoranges
2. **Improving DPE performance against MP** by introducing Multipath Mitigation Technology (MMT)-integrated DPE (MMT-DPE)



# Methodology – Our Proposed DPE implementation



- Integrated with the GPS L1 C/A **SoftGNSS v3.0** MATLAB 2SP Scalar Tracking Loop (STL) SDR by Borre et al. (2007).
- **2SP tracking for channel propagation**, similar with (Closas et al., 2015) and (Liu et al., 2013).
- **Drawback?** Impaired performance against weak signals. But should still obtain longer position fix in case of DLL/PLL loss of lock (Closas et al., 2015).
- When DLL/PLL maintains lock on signals, DPE MP mitigation capability is maintained.

Borre, K., Akos, D. M., Bertelsen, N., Rinder, P., & Jensen, S. H. (2007). A software-defined GPS and galileo receiver: A single-frequency approach.

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Liu, J., Cui, X., Lu, M., & Feng, Z. (2013). Direct position tracking loop based on linearised signal model for global navigation satellite system receivers. IET Radar, Sonar & Navigation, 7(7), 789-799. <https://doi.org/https://doi.org/10.1049/iet-rsn.2012.0307>

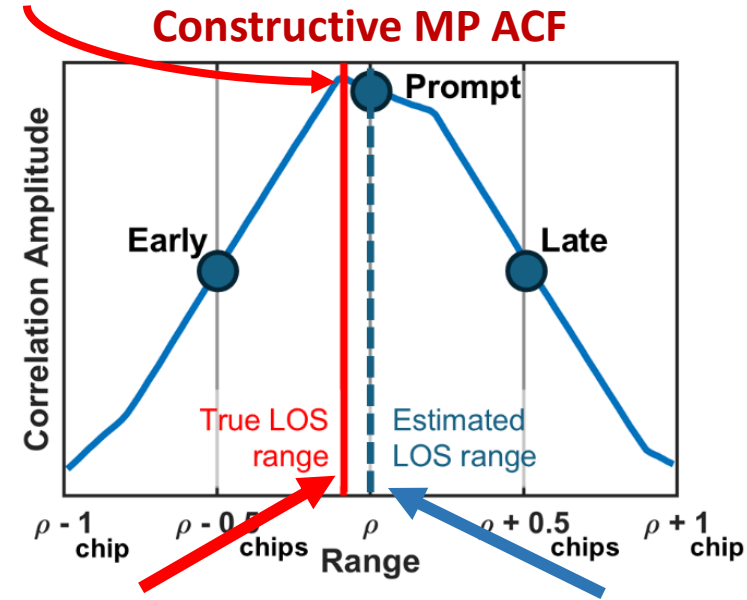
- **Pre-calculate the correlations** per every code phase (Axelrad et al., 2011)
- Pre-calculated correlations would be **referenced to the ranges estimated from 2SP**
- The correlations of the grid of candidate PVT would later be given based on its ranges.

**Pseudoranges for DPE?** Isn't that **counterintuitive**?

**Pseudoranges merely used for indexing the ACF**

If the highest correlation value corresponds to the true range, DPE would remain **robust** to multipath, but not 100% immune

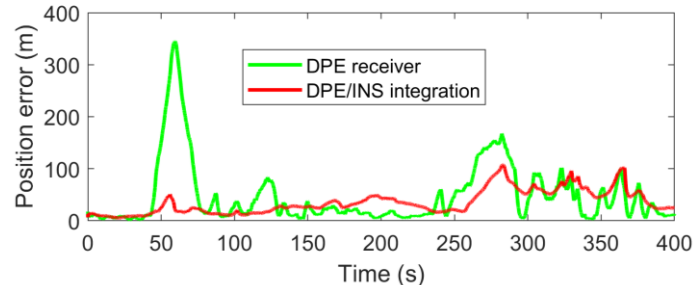
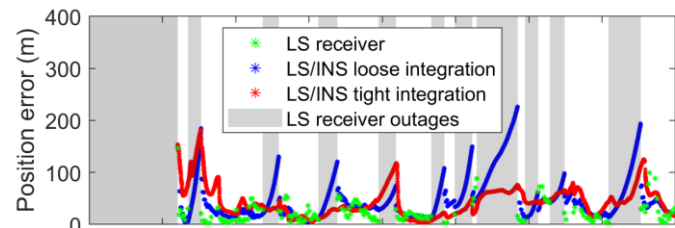
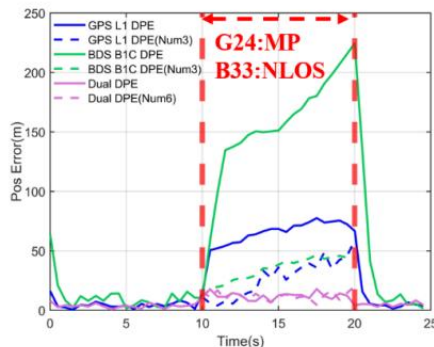
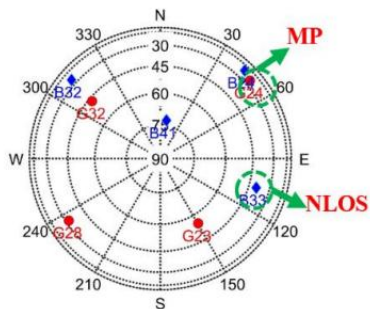
But highest correlation still falls to the true LOS range



**Because of MP, tracking fails to obtain accurate LOS code phase**

**Prompt correlator referenced to the pseudorange**

**Though more robust than 2SP, DPE error still climbs up to tens even hundreds of meters under MP and NLOS**



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Ng and Gao (2016) and Strandjord (2020) have introduced 3DMA-based methods for NLOS mitigation for DPE.

**But MP mitigation for DPE has never been proposed before!**

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Strandjord, K., Axelrad, P., Akos, D. M., & Mohiuddin, S. (2020). Improved urban navigation with direct positioning and specular matching. *Proceedings of the 2020 International Technical Meeting of The Institute of Navigation, San Diego, California.*

## Multipath Mitigation Technology (MMT)\*

Additional reflected path  
signal replica

$$\hat{\tau}^{\text{LOS}}, \hat{\tau}^{\text{NLOS}}, \hat{\mathbf{a}}^{\text{LOS}}, \hat{\mathbf{a}}^{\text{NLOS}} = \arg \min_{\tau^{\text{LOS}}, \tau^{\text{NLOS}}, \mathbf{a}^{\text{LOS}}, \mathbf{a}^{\text{NLOS}}} \sum_{i=1}^M \left\| \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}_i(\tau_i^{\text{LOS}}) \mathbf{a}^{\text{LOS},i} - \boxed{\mathbf{c}_i(\tau_i^{\text{NLOS}}) \mathbf{a}^{\text{NLOS},i}} \right\|^2$$

Code Delays      Complex  
Amplitudes

## Direct Position Estimation (DPE)

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{a}} \sum_{i=1}^M \left\| \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}_i(\mathbf{y}) \mathbf{a}^i \right\|^2$$

Integrating MMT  
cost function into  
DPE

Since  $\tau^{\text{LOS}} \triangleq \mathbf{p}$

## MMT-DPE

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{y}, \tau^{\text{NLOS}}, \mathbf{a}^{\text{LOS}}, \mathbf{a}^{\text{NLOS}}} \sum_{i=1}^M \left\| \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}_i(\mathbf{y}) \mathbf{a}^{\text{LOS},i} - \mathbf{c}_i(\tau_i^{\text{NLOS}}) \mathbf{a}^{\text{NLOS},i} \right\|^2$$

\*Assuming Doppler compensated baseband signals

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## Multipath Mitigation Technology

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where

$$a^{\text{LOS},i} = A^{\text{LOS},i} \left( \cos(\varphi_{\text{carr}}^{\text{LOS},i}) + j \sin(\varphi_{\text{carr}}^{\text{LOS},i}) \right)$$

$$a^{\text{NLOS},i} = A^{\text{NLOS},i} \left( \cos(\varphi_{\text{carr}}^{\text{NLOS},i}) + j \sin(\varphi_{\text{carr}}^{\text{NLOS},i}) \right)$$

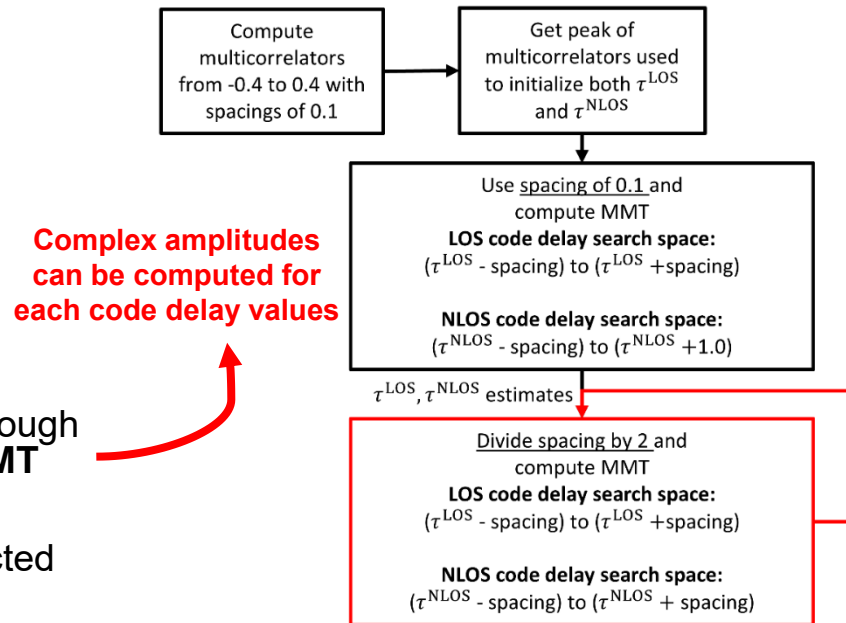
- Six dimensions optimization → **Two dimensions only**, through **partial derivatives** of complex amplitudes → **Perform MMT w.r.t code delays only**

- A **Lagrange multiplier** is applied, constraining the reflected path's scalar amplitude to be 0.8 of the LOS path

$$\frac{\|a^{\text{NLOS},i}\|}{\|a^{\text{LOS},i}\|} \leq 0.8$$

- **Contracting grid-search algorithm** to reduce computational load (Axelrad et al., 2011)

## Contracting grid-search algorithm for MMT



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Axelrad, P., Bradley, B. K., Donna, J., Mitchell, M., & Mohiuddin, S. (2011). Collective Detection and Direct Positioning Using Multiple GNSS Satellites. NAVIGATION, 58(4), 305-321. <https://doi.org/10.1002/j.2161-4296.2011.tb02588.x>

## Practical implementation

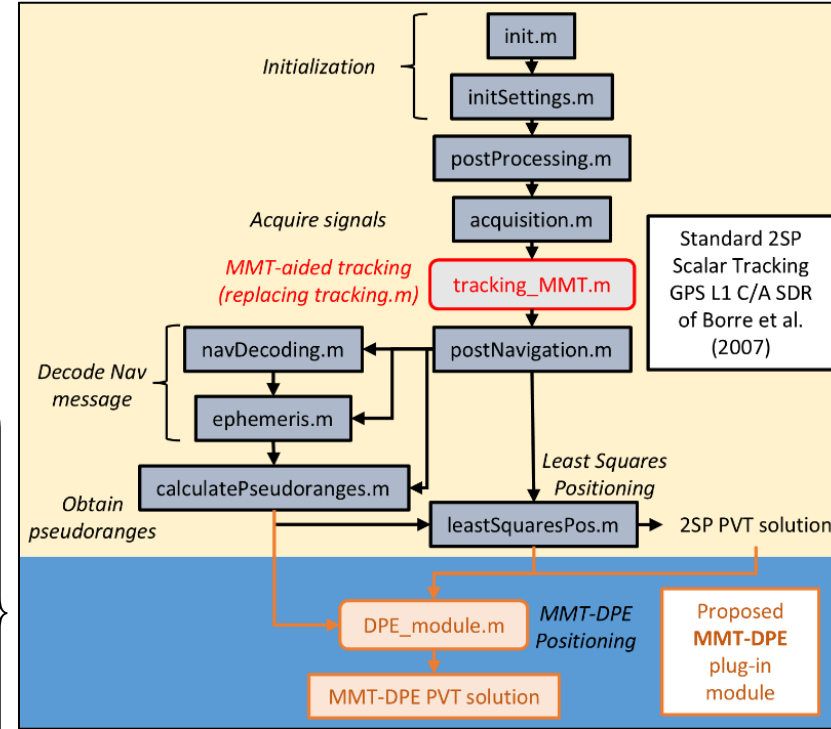
1. **Run standalone MMT** (`tracking_MMT.m`) → Obtain  $a^{\text{LOS},i}, a^{\text{NLOS},i}, \tau_i^{\text{NLOS}}$  and MMT-2SP
2. **Run MMT-DPE** (`DPE_module.m`) → Obtain PVT,  $\gamma$

$$\hat{\gamma} = \arg \min_{\gamma, \tau^{\text{NLOS}}, a^{\text{LOS}}, a^{\text{NLOS}}} \sum_{i=1}^M \left\| \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}_i(\gamma) a^{\text{LOS},i} - \mathbf{c}_i(\tau_i^{\text{NLOS}}) a^{\text{NLOS},i} \right\|^2$$

which is equivalent to the following maximization

$$\hat{\gamma} = \arg \max_{\gamma, \tau^{\text{NLOS}}, a^{\text{LOS}}, a^{\text{NLOS}}} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^M \left( \begin{aligned} &\mathbf{x}^H \mathbf{c}_i(\gamma) a^{\text{LOS},i} + \mathbf{x}^H \mathbf{c}_i(\tau_i^{\text{NLOS}}) a^{\text{NLOS},i} + \\ &(a^{\text{LOS},i})^H (\mathbf{c}_i(\gamma))^H \mathbf{x} - \\ &(a^{\text{LOS},i})^H (\mathbf{c}_i(\gamma))^H \mathbf{c}_i(\gamma) a^{\text{LOS},i} - \\ &(a^{\text{LOS},i})^H (\mathbf{c}_i(\gamma))^H \mathbf{c}_i(\tau_i^{\text{NLOS}}) a^{\text{NLOS},i} + \\ &(a^{\text{NLOS},i})^H (\mathbf{c}_i(\tau_i^{\text{NLOS}}))^H \mathbf{x} - \\ &(a^{\text{NLOS},i})^H (\mathbf{c}_i(\tau_i^{\text{NLOS}}))^H \mathbf{c}_i(\gamma) a^{\text{LOS},i} - \\ &(a^{\text{NLOS},i})^H (\mathbf{c}_i(\tau_i^{\text{NLOS}}))^H \mathbf{c}_i(\tau_i^{\text{NLOS}}) a^{\text{NLOS},i} \end{aligned} \right) \right\}$$

## Flowchart of MMT-DPE



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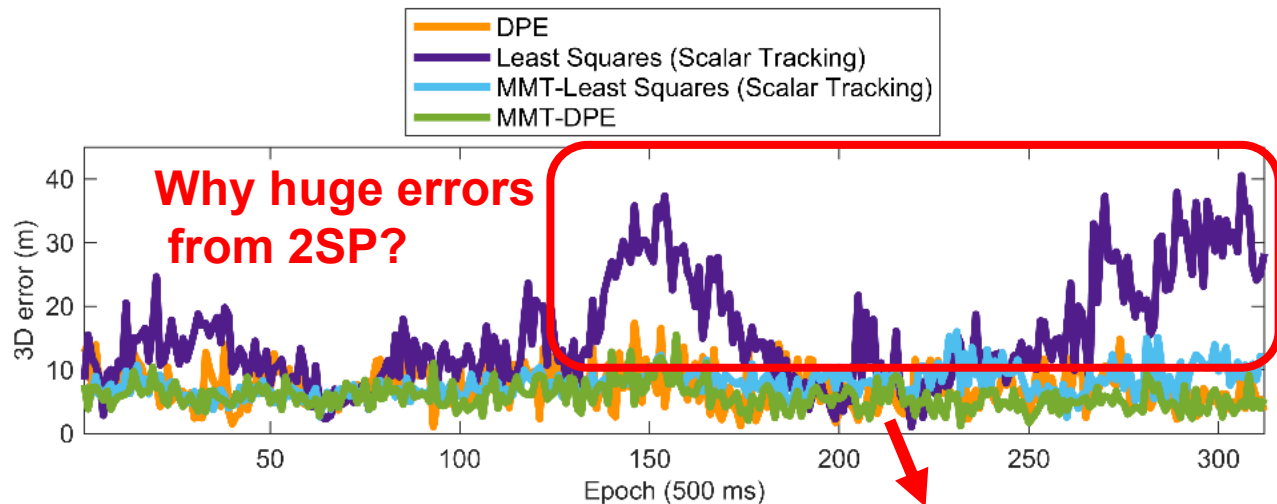
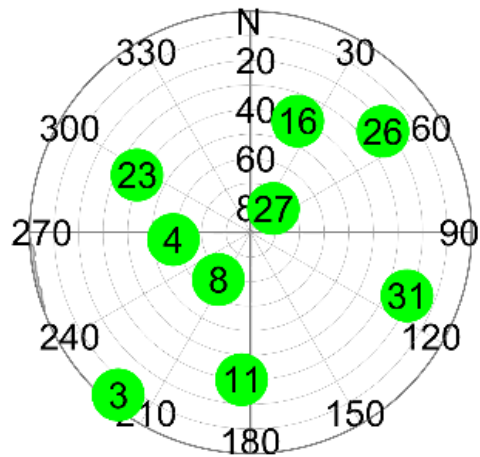
- Evaluation of the proposed DPE module will use real **static GPS L1 C/A** data collected in Hong Kong.
- 2SP scalar tracking uses 0.6 Early-Late correlator spacing
- Coherent integration of **20 ms** used for all algorithms

## Front-end Configuration

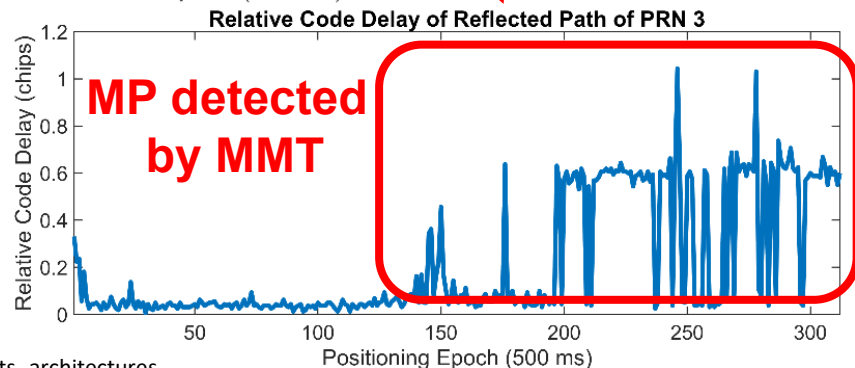
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Bandwidth (Double-sided)	8 MHz
Antenna	Allystar AGR6303



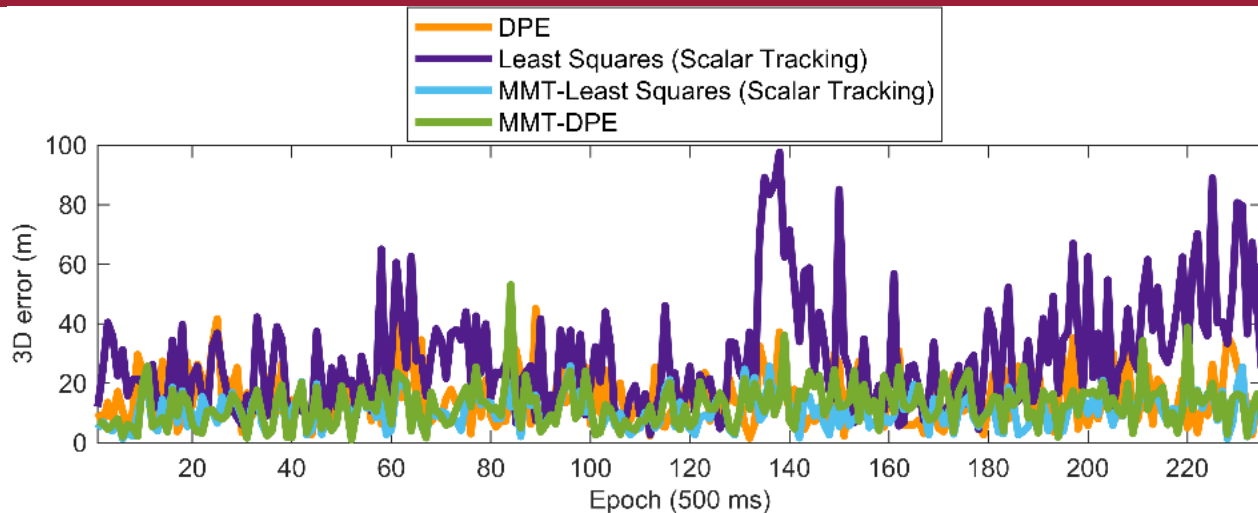
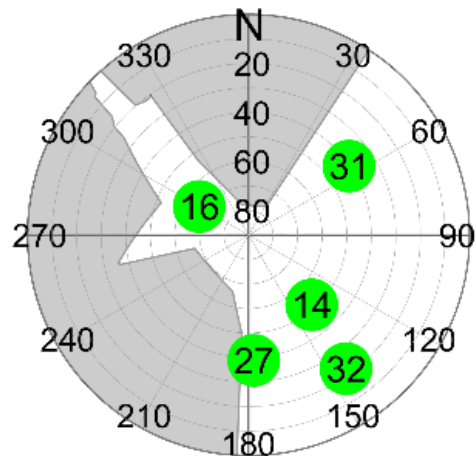
# Results – Open sky scenario



2SP Mean 3D Error (m)	DPE Mean 3D Error (m)	MMT-2SP Mean 3D Error (m)	MMT-DPE Mean 3D Error (m)
15.46	7.28	7.89	5.81



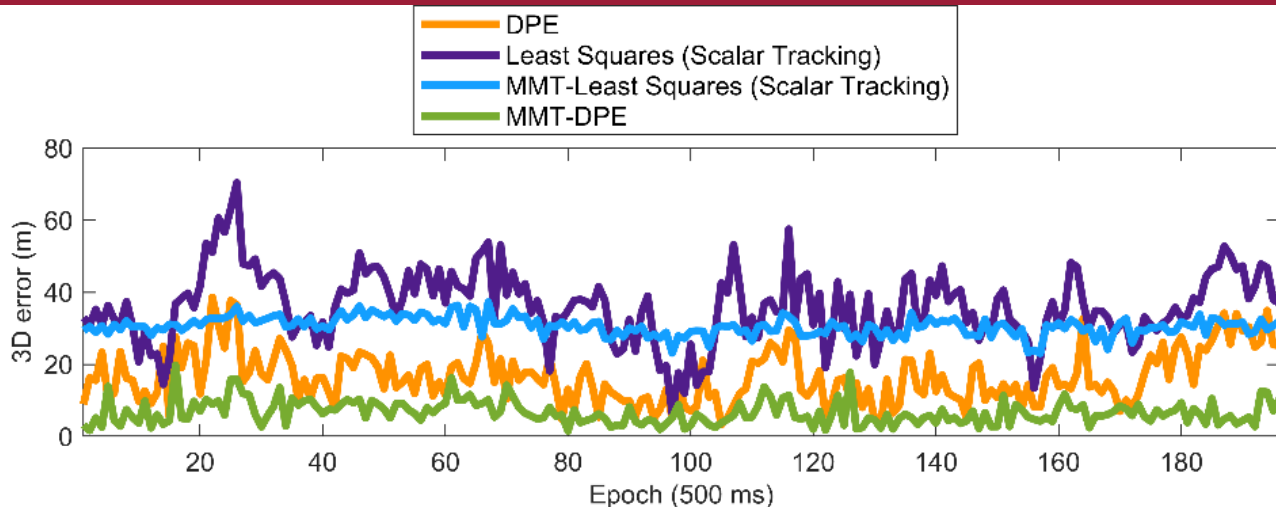
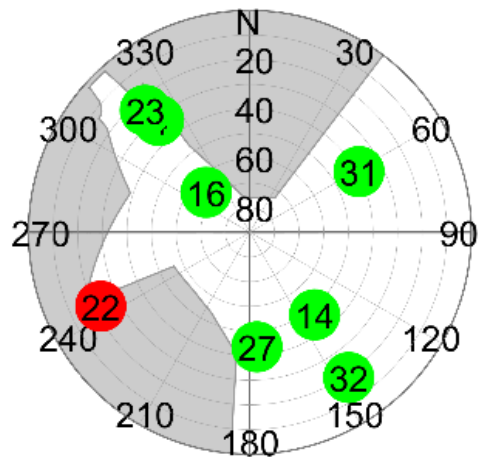
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2SP Mean 3D Error (m)	DPE Mean 3D Error (m)	MMT-2SP Mean 3D Error (m)	MMT-DPE Mean 3D Error (m)
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28.84	15.10	10.55	12.44
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**Comparable  
performance between  
MMT-2SP and MMT-DPE  
under MP-only cases**



2SP Mean 3D Error (m)	DPE Mean 3D Error (m)	MMT-2SP Mean 3D Error (m)	MMT-DPE Mean 3D Error (m)
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<b>36.11</b>	16.72	<b>30.64</b>	<b>6.71</b>
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## Correlations of an NLOS satellite

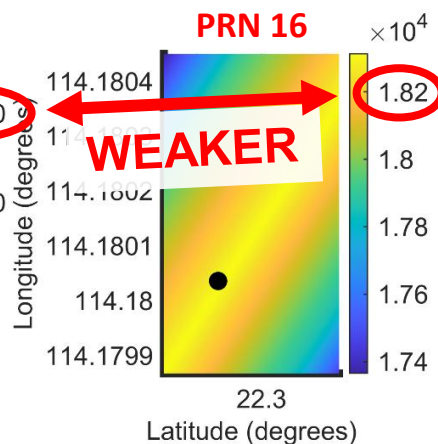
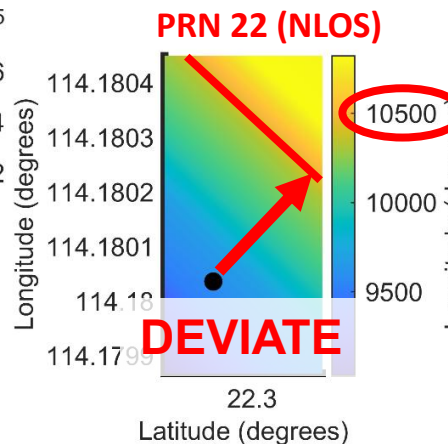
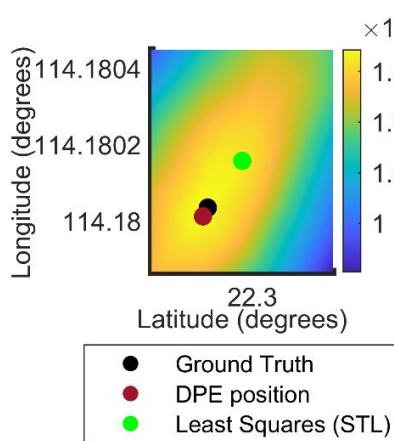
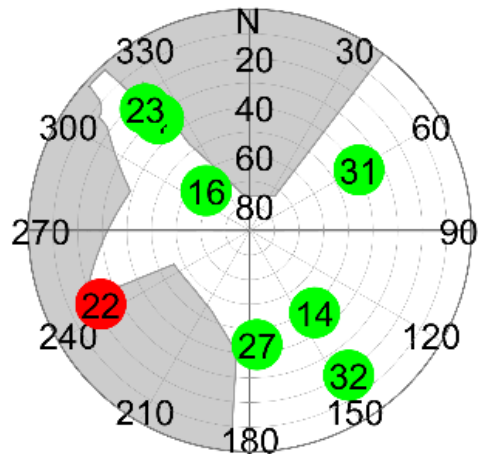
1. **DEVIATE** from the ground truth
2. Much **WEAKER** compared to that of the highly elevated

Thus, NLOS satellite correlations do not contribute to the global maxima

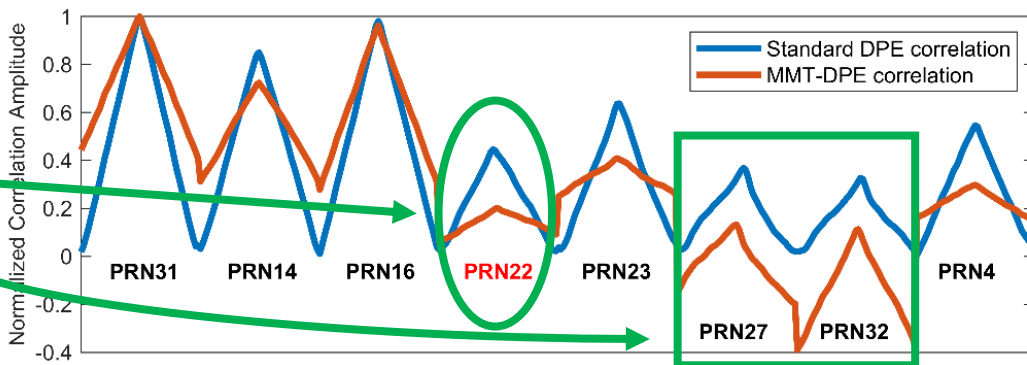
i.e., **NLOS measurement naturally excluded from PVT estimation**

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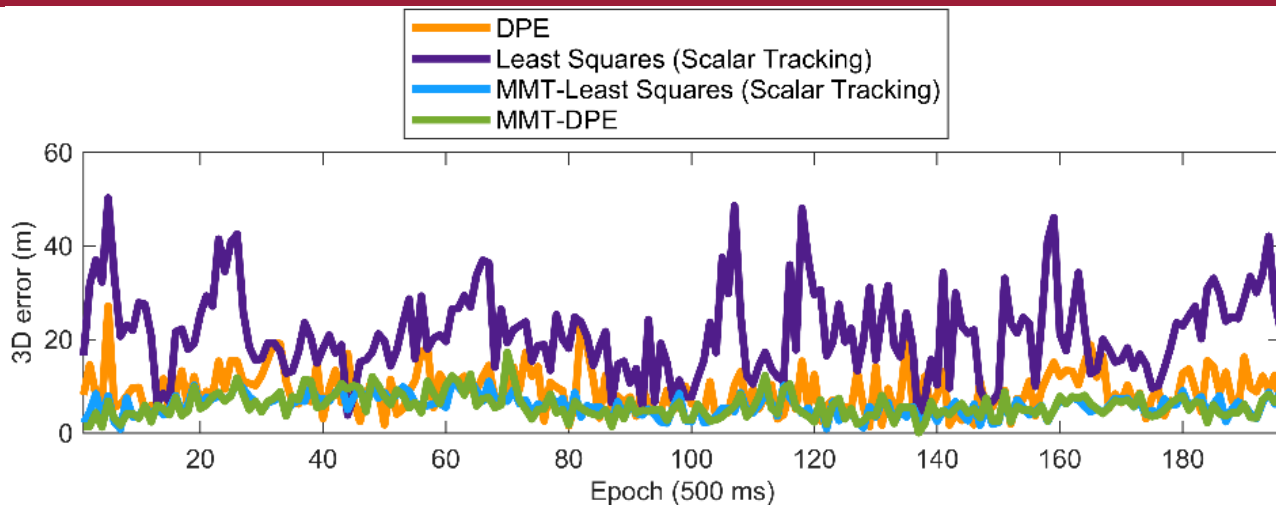
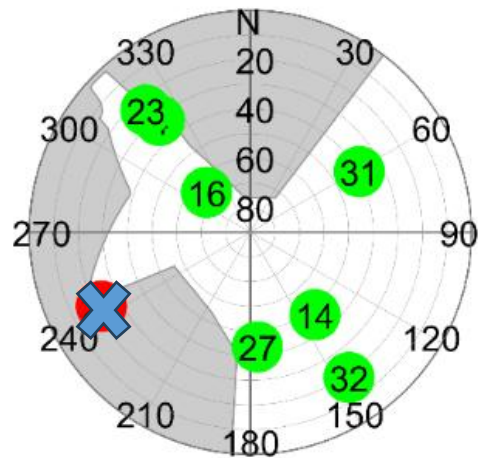
# Results – MMT-DPE NLOS resilience



## Pre-calculated correlations between DPE and MMT-DPE



With MMT-DPE, NLOS and low-elevated satellite correlations are further weighed down



2SP Mean 3D Error (m)	DPE Mean 3D Error (m)	MMT-2SP Mean 3D Error (m)	MMT-DPE Mean 3D Error (m)
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21.32	9.03	5.84	5.85
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Improvement can be observed for both DPE and 2SP when NLOS is removed

## Aim

**Promotion and popularization of DPE** research and application

## Objectives

### **1. Proposed our novel implementation of a DPE receiver**

- DPE implementation with pseudoranges from 2SP
- Proposed DPE consistently outperforms 2SP in terms of MP mitigation
- **Benefit?** Easier implementation of DPE. The pre-calculated correlations (both for DPE and MMT-DPE) *can* be computed in conjunction with 2SP tracking and later be easily indexed to ranges.



## 2. Improving GNSS DPE performance in urban environments

- Proposed incorporating MMT into DPE to compensate for the additional reflected signal from Multipath reception into DPE signal model
- Under MP-only conditions, MMT-2SP and MMT-DPE performs similarly
  - But MMT-DPE shows superiority in NLOS conditions



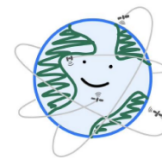
# Our Proposed MMT-DPE – Available at GitHub



The code is now available at **GitHub**

<https://github.com/Sergio-Vicenzo/GPSL1-DPEmodule>

## Sergio-Vicenzo/**GPSL1-DPEmodule**



Open-source GNSS Direct Position Estimation  
Plug-in Module for MATLAB-based Two-step  
Positioning Software Defined Receivers

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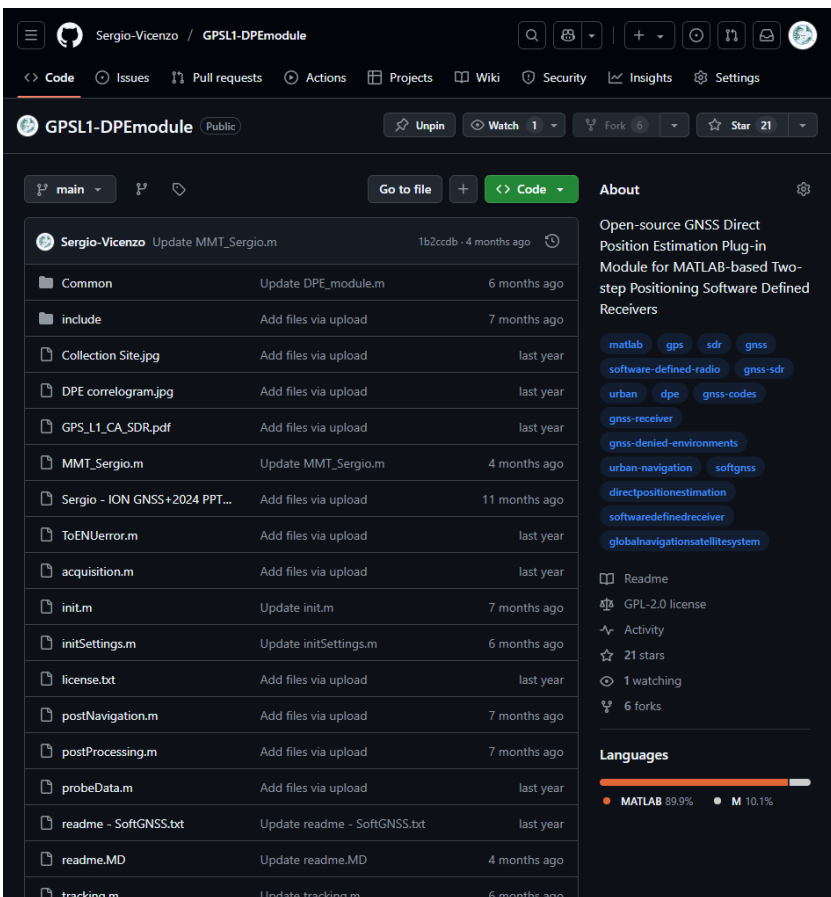
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# Thank you!

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$$\hat{\tau}_i^{\text{LOS}}, \hat{\tau}_i^{\text{NLOS}}, \hat{a}^{\text{LOS},i}, \hat{a}^{\text{NLOS},i} = \arg \min_{\tau_i^{\text{LOS}}, \tau_i^{\text{NLOS}}, a^{\text{LOS},i}, a^{\text{NLOS},i}} \underbrace{\| \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}_i(\tau_i^{\text{LOS}})a^{\text{LOS},i} - \mathbf{c}_i(\tau_i^{\text{NLOS}})a^{\text{NLOS},i} \|^2}_{\Gamma}$$

minimization of

$$\Gamma = \underbrace{\int_0^T \left[ \begin{array}{c} x(t) - A_1 \cos \phi_1 m(t - \tau_1) \\ -A_2 \cos \phi_2 m(t - \tau_2) \end{array} \right]^2 dt}_{\text{Real part}} + \underbrace{\int_0^T \left[ \begin{array}{c} y(t) - A_1 \sin \phi_1 m(t - \tau_1) \\ -A_2 \sin \phi_2 m(t - \tau_2) \end{array} \right]^2 dt}_{\text{Imaginary part}} \quad (13)$$

LOS path signal replica  
Reflected path signal replica

However, a major breakthrough results by using the invertible transformation

Real part  
of complex  
amplitude

$$\begin{aligned} a &= A_1 \cos \phi_1 \\ b &= A_2 \cos \phi_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} c &= A_1 \sin \phi_1 \\ d &= A_2 \sin \phi_2 \end{aligned}$$

Imaginary part of  
complex amplitude  
(14)

The complex amplitudes  
can be solved for every  
value of LOS and  
reflected path code  
delays

$$R_{xm}(\tau) = \int_0^T x(t) m(t - \tau) dt \quad R_{ym}(\tau) = \int_0^T y(t) m(t - \tau) dt \quad R_{mm}(\tau) = \int_0^T m(t) m(t - \tau) dt$$

$$\Gamma = \int_0^T \left[ x^2(t) + y^2(t) \right] dt + (a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2) R_{mm}(0) \quad (15)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &-2aR_{xm}(\tau_1) - 2bR_{xm}(\tau_2) + 2abR_{mm}(\tau_1 - \tau_2) \\ &-2cR_{ym}(\tau_1) - 2dR_{ym}(\tau_2) + 2cdR_{mm}(\tau_1 - \tau_2) \end{aligned}$$

Taking partial derivatives w.r.t real and imaginary parts  
of the complex amplitudes

$$0 = \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial a} = 2aR_{mm}(0) - 2R_{xm}(\tau_1) + 2bR_{mm}(\tau_1 - \tau_2)$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial b} = 2bR_{mm}(0) - 2R_{xm}(\tau_2) + 2aR_{mm}(\tau_1 - \tau_2) \quad (17)$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial c} = 2cR_{mm}(0) - 2R_{ym}(\tau_1) + 2dR_{mm}(\tau_1 - \tau_2)$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial d} = 2dR_{mm}(0) - 2R_{ym}(\tau_2) + 2cR_{mm}(\tau_1 - \tau_2)$$