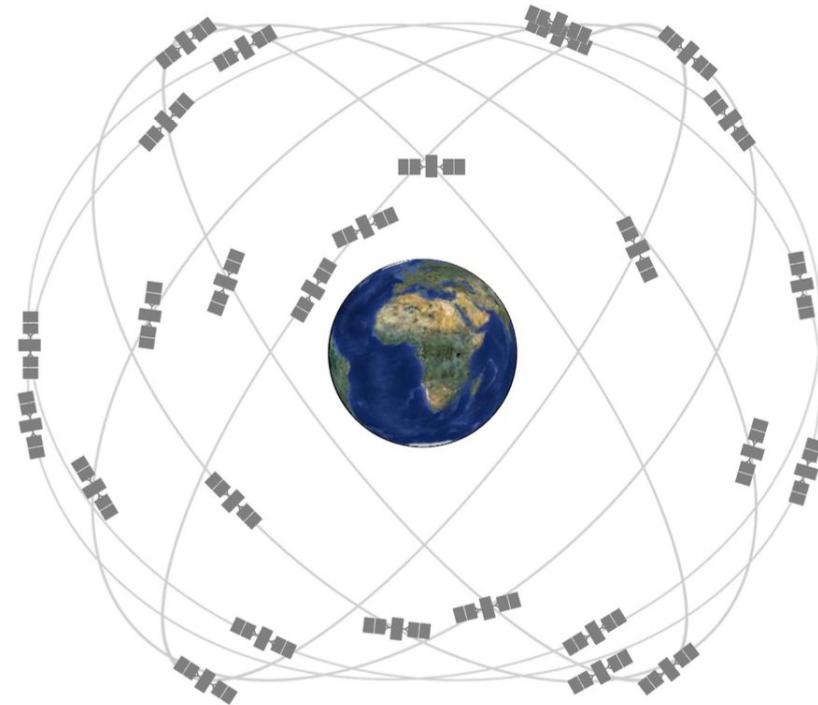


# **Anomaly detection with Autoencoder to detect Spoofing attack on GNSS**

# What is GNSS(Global Navigation Satellite Systems)

- US GLobal Positioning System
- Russian GLONASS
- European Galileo
- Chiese BeiDou
- + Other augmentations



GPS Constellation

# Principles

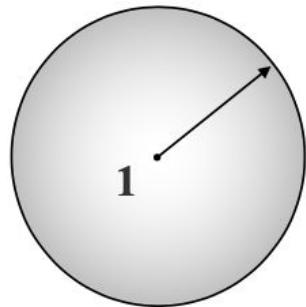
- Trilateration & Time of arrival

- If signal velocity is known, range from the transmitter to receiver is measured by  $v^*(t_{rec} - t_{trans})$ .
- Position is determined by intersection of circular lines of positions centered on the transmitters.
- Must assume perfect clock for this work

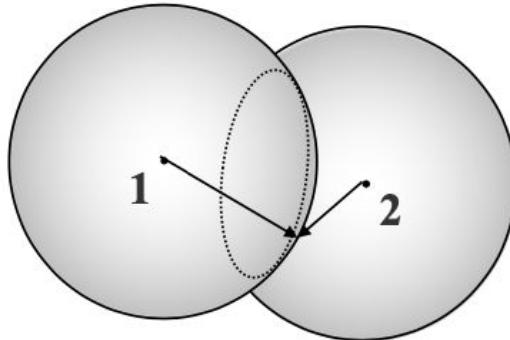
- Doppler positioning and frequency shift

- As the transmitter approaches the frequency is shifted higher due to Doppler effect (relativity).
- At the point of closest approach the shift is zero, and it goes lower as the transmitter moves away.
- If the trajectory of the transmitter is known, you can get 1D or 2D position information from this measurement and its rate of change.

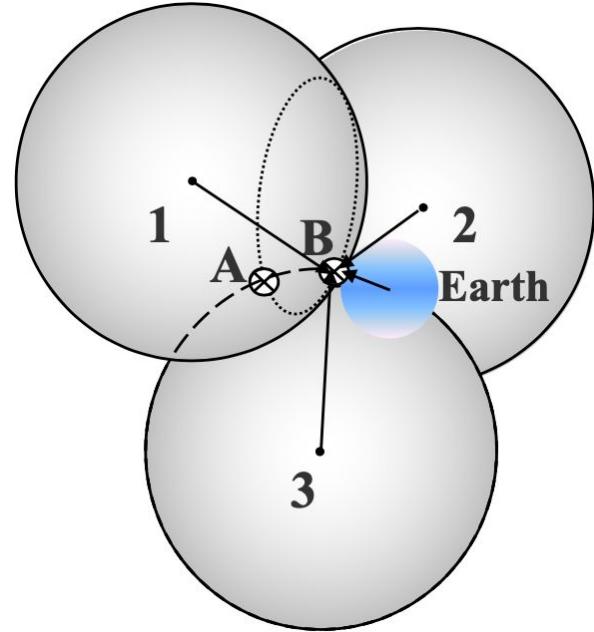
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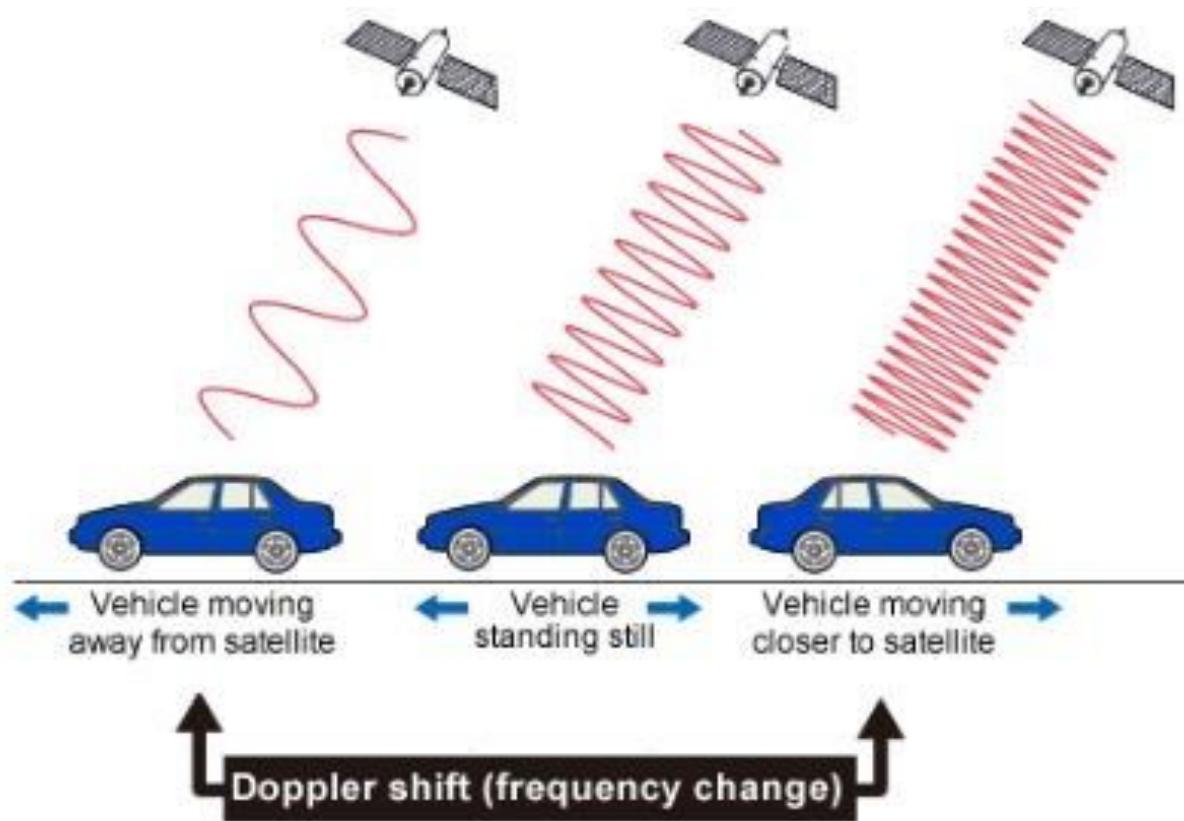


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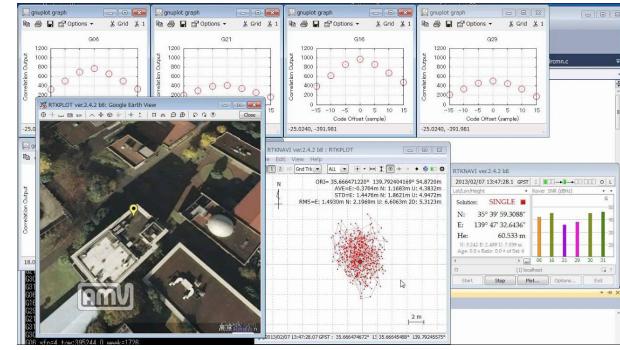


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# Doppler Shift for GNSS



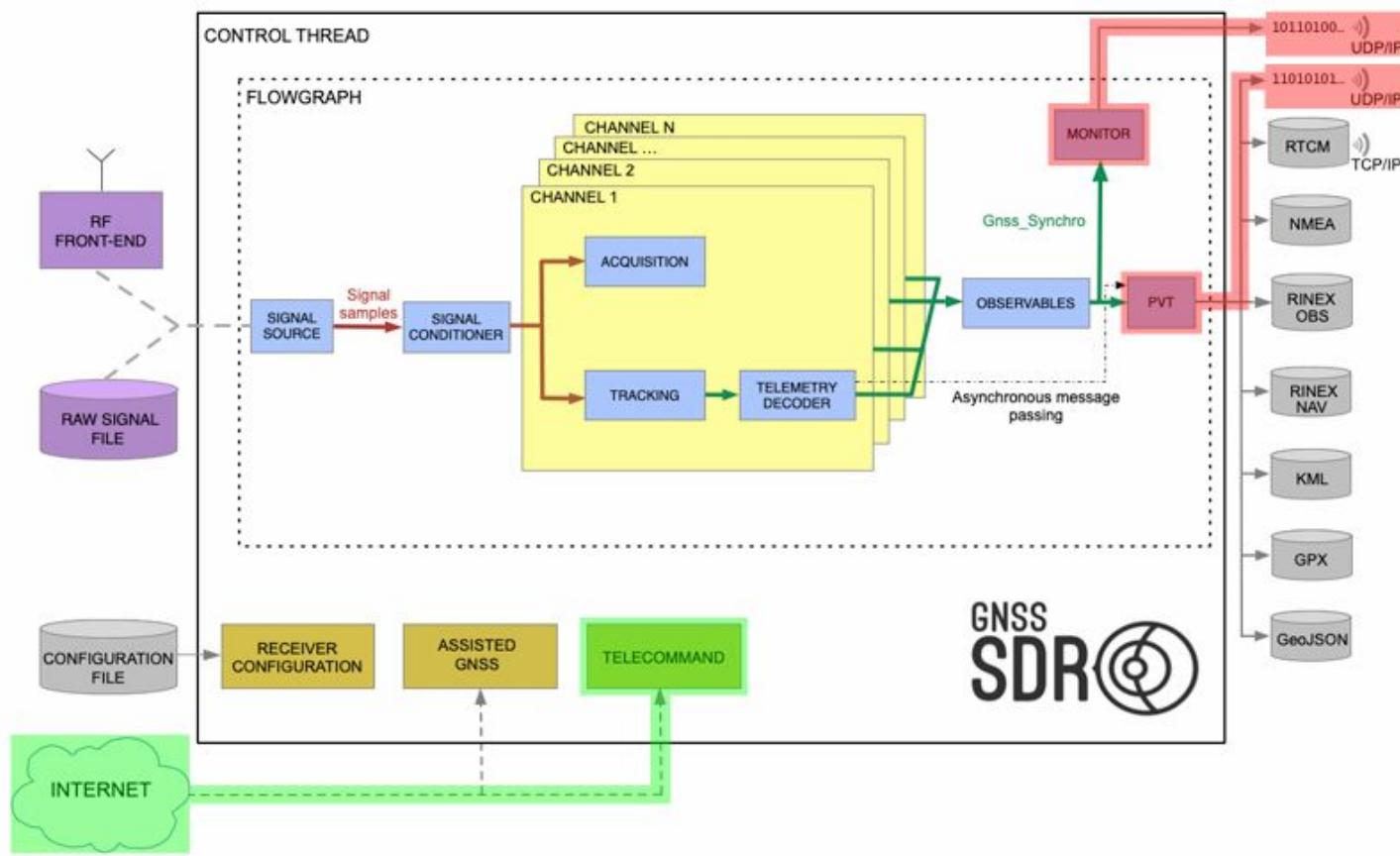
# Why GNSS-SDR



GNSS-SDR is

- Hosted by non-profit research foundation(cttc)
- It enables Software defined radio to receive and process GNSS signals

# GNSS-SDR Structures (= General GNSS receiver)



# Threats in GNSS

## **Spoofing :**

Deceive receivers who are tracking a channel with strong signal

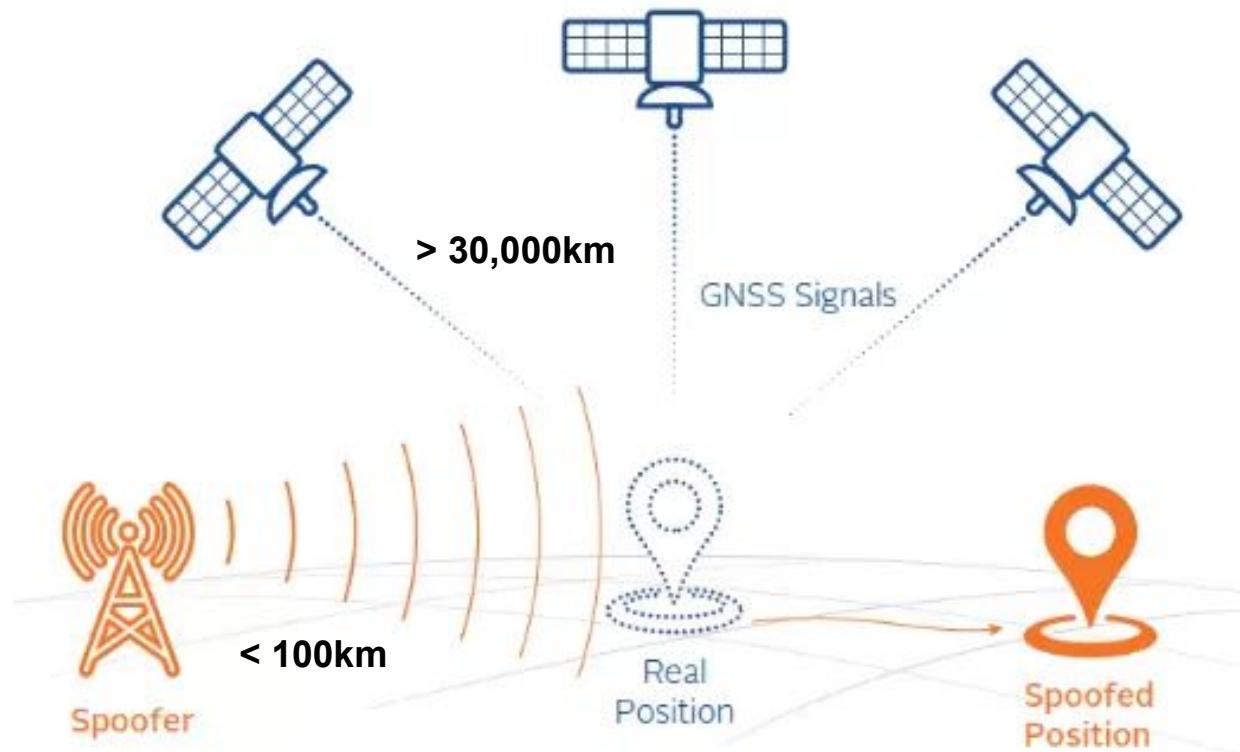
## **Jamming :**

Propagate the signal which has same frequency with current receiving signal which potentially overwhelm the original signal

## **Meaconing :**

Record the normal signal and replay it

# Spoofing in GNSS



# **Why GNSS is vulnerable to Spoofing attacks**

## **Distance :**

Signal from satellite (30,000km) cannot beat spoofing signal(100km)

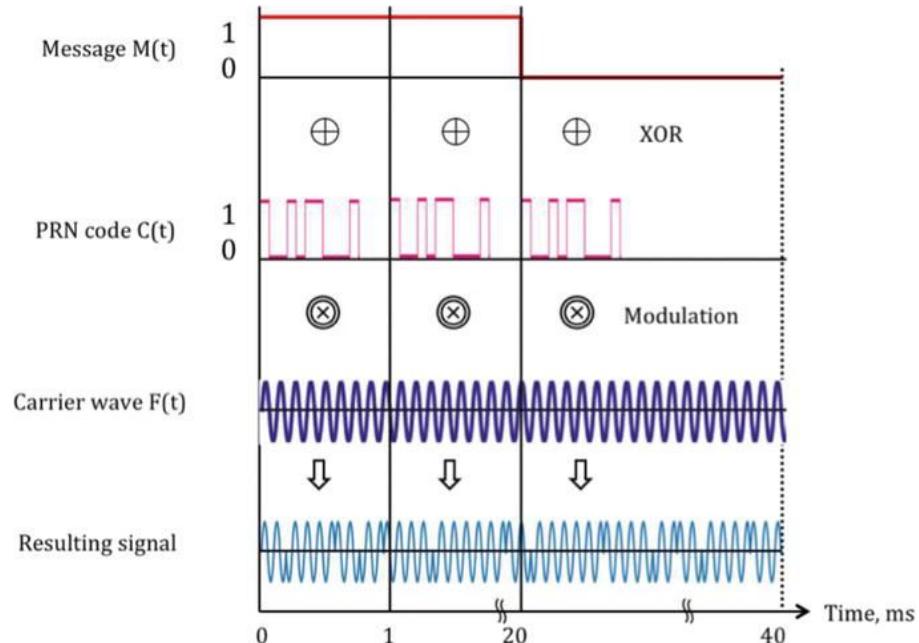
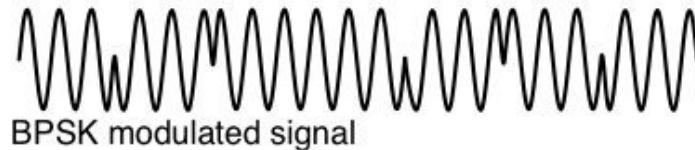
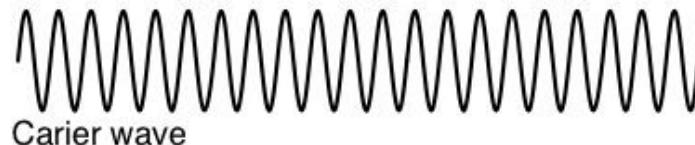
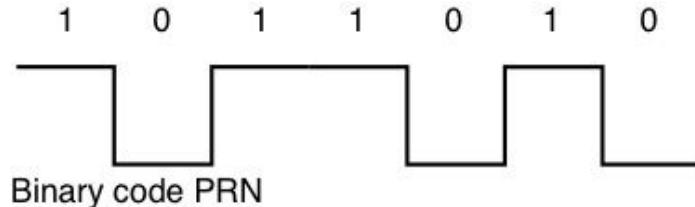
## **Publicity :**

GNSS is generally open to public(PRN code)

## **Authentication :**

Once start tracking, the GNSS receiver do not check the signal source

# Signal modulation in GNSS



# Why Spoofing attack is detectable

**So many variables in GNSS signal :**

- Position info : Satellite's trajectory, position info
- Time info : The time when the signal is sent
- Signal feature info
  - ex) C/N0 : Signal to noise ratio
  - Pseudorange : Calculated distance from Doppler shift

→ What if utilize multiple variables to build anomaly detection model?

# Variables from GNSS-SDR

Name	Type	Description
<code>Acq_delay_samples</code>	<code>double</code>	Coarse code delay estimation, in [samples].
<code>Acq_doppler_hz</code>	<code>double</code>	Coarse Doppler estimation in each channel, in [Hz].
<code>Acq_samplestamp_samples</code>	<code>uint64_t</code>	[samples] at signal SampleStamp.
<code>Acq_doppler_step</code>	<code>uint32_t</code>	Frequency bin of the search grid, in [Hz].
<code>Flag_valid_acquisition</code>	<code>bool</code>	Acquisition status in each channel.

Name	Type	Description
<code>Flag_valid_word</code>	<code>bool</code>	Indicates the validity of the decoded word for pseudorange computation.
<code>TOW_at_current_symbol_ms</code>	<code>uint32_t</code>	Time of week of the current symbol, in [ms].
<code>Flag_PLL_180_deg_phase_locked</code>	<code>bool</code>	Indicates if the PLL got locked at 180 degrees, so the symbol sign is reversed.

Name	Type	Description
<code>Pseudorange_m</code>	<code>double</code>	Pseudorange computation in each channel, in [m].
<code>RX_time</code>	<code>double</code>	Receiving time in each channel after the start of the week, in [s].
<code>Flag_valid_pseudorange</code>	<code>bool</code>	Pseudorange computation status in each channel.
<code>interp_TOW_ms</code>	<code>double</code>	Interpolated time of week, in [ms].

Name	Type	Description
<code>fs</code>	<code>int64_t</code>	Sampling frequency, in [Hz].
<code>Prompt_I</code>	<code>double</code>	In-phase (real) component of the prompt correlator output.
<code>Prompt_Q</code>	<code>double</code>	Quadrature (imaginary) component of the prompt correlator output.
<code>CN0_db_hz</code>	<code>double</code>	Carrier-to-Noise density ratio, in [dB-Hz].
<code>Carrier_Doppler_hz</code>	<code>double</code>	Doppler estimation in each channel, in [Hz].
<code>Carrier_phase_rads</code>	<code>double</code>	Carrier phase estimation in each channel, in [rad].
<code>Code_phase_samples</code>	<code>double</code>	Code phase in [samples].
<code>Tracking_sample_counter</code>	<code>uint64_t</code>	Sample counter as an index (1,2,3,...etc) indicating number of samples processed.
<code>Flag_valid_symbol_output</code>	<code>bool</code>	Indicates the validity of the tracking for each channel.
<code>correlation_length_ms</code>	<code>int32_t</code>	Time duration of correlation-integration, in [ms].

# Dataset : TEXBAT(Texas Spoofing Battery)

## The Texas Spoofing Test Battery: Toward a Standard for Evaluating GPS Signal Authentication Techniques

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### ABSTRACT

A battery of recorded spoofing scenarios has been compiled for evaluating civil Global Positioning System (GPS) signal authentication techniques. The battery can be considered as a standard set of test cases for evaluating the ability to define the notion of spoof resistance for commercial GPS receivers. The scenarios are divided into two main semantic groups: (1) receiver-autonomous and (2) receiver-dependent. A detailed description of each scenario reveals readily detectable anomalies that spoofing detectors could

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treat to improve GPS security.

### INTRODUCTION

Authentication of civil Global Positioning System (GPS) signals is increasingly a concern. Spoofing attacks, in which counterfeit GPS signals are generated for the purpose of manipulating a target receiver's reported position, have been demonstrated with low-cost commercial equipment against a wide variety of GPS receivers [1], [2], [3], [4]. Such attacks threaten the integrity of financial transactions, communications, and power grid monitoring operations that depend on GPS signals for accurate positioning.

Whereas the military GPS waveform was originally designed to be unpredictable and therefore resistant to spoofing, the civil GPS waveform is much more predictable and publicly-available documents [5]. Also, although not entirely constrained by the signal specifications, the navigation messages modulated onto the civil waveform are highly predictable. Known signal structure and data bit patterns make civil GPS signals susceptible to spoofing attacks.

Several researchers have proposed techniques for spoofing receiver's verifiable mechanisms on existing and future civil GPS signals [6], [7], [11], [19], [13], [14]. These techniques offer the promise of effectively globally-visible signal authentication without requiring additional hardware such as atomic clocks or specialized antennas [15] or inertial measurement equipment [16], which would be impractical in cost-sensitive applications.

Several researchers have proposed techniques for overplaying unpredictable but verifiable modulations on existing and future civil GPS signals [10], [11], [19], [13], [14]. These space-segment-side cryptographic techniques offer the promise of effectively globally-visible signal authentication without requiring additional hardware such as multiple antennas [15] or inertial measurement equipment [16], which would be impractical in cost-sensitive applications.

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### TEXBAT DATA SETS 7 AND 8

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## Detailed Analysis of the TEXBAT Datasets Using a High Fidelity Software GPS Receiver

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This paper leverages an AFIT-developed high-fidelity software-based GPS receiver known as the GNSS Education, Adjustment, Reconstruction (GEARS) to process and investigate the TEXBAT datasets. GEARS is a high-fidelity software-based GPS receiver that can be used to very quickly explore many different receiver observables. It is capable of sub-nanosecond timing and frequency resolution, multi-code tracking, and utilizes a programmable state machine to dynamically recognize the tracking loops present in GPS signals and support spoofing detection and spoofing detection.

The paper includes the characterization of power bias and time offsets between scenarios, the discovery of a "global" code and carrier range rate divergence in the TEXBAT datasets, and an accurate tabulation of the onset of spoofing detection. Artifacts in the RF spectrum are also described.

**Introduction**

The TEXBAT dataset consists of eight different spoofing scenarios, six using a static antenna and two using a dynamic antenna, and is intended for use in GNSS authentication. Characteristics of each scenario are given in [3]. This paper focuses exclusively on the static scenarios. The plots presented in this paper are raw data plots. In order to validate our software receiver, we compare our raw data plots to similar plots produced by the software receiver used in this research. This serves to validate our software receiver and independently report on the

### Scenario Designation

Scenario Designation	Spoofing Type	Platform Mobility	Power Adv. (dB)	Frequency Lock	Noise Padding	Size (GB)
1: Static Switch	N/A	Static	N/A	Unlocked	Enabled	43
2: Static Overpowered Time Push	Time	Static	10	Unlocked	Disabled	42.5
3: Static Matched-Power Time Push	Time	Static	1.3	Locked	Disabled	42.6
4: Static Matched-Power Pos. Push	Position	Static	0.4	Locked	Disabled	42.6
5: Dynamic Overpowered Time Push	Time	Dynamic	9.9	Unlocked	Disabled	38.9
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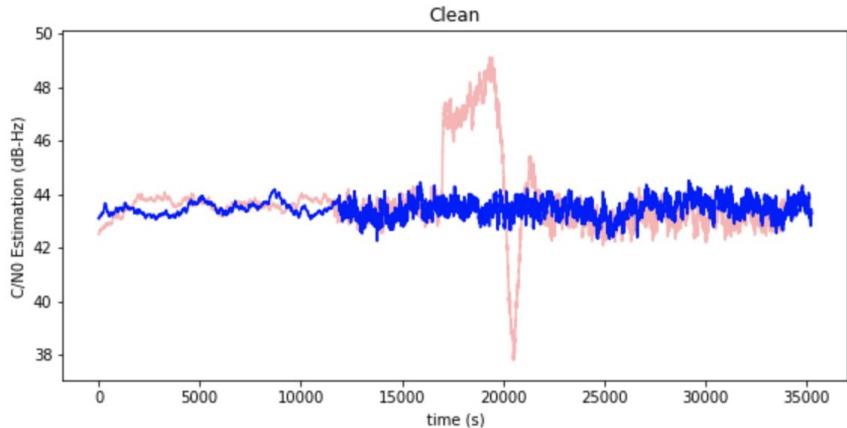
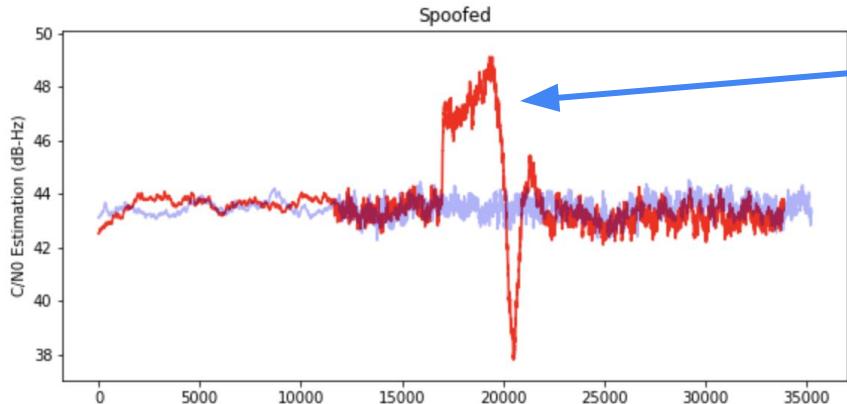
# Exploratory Data Analysis in TEXBAT

**The dataset is composed of binary files :**  
required to process it through gnss-sdr software

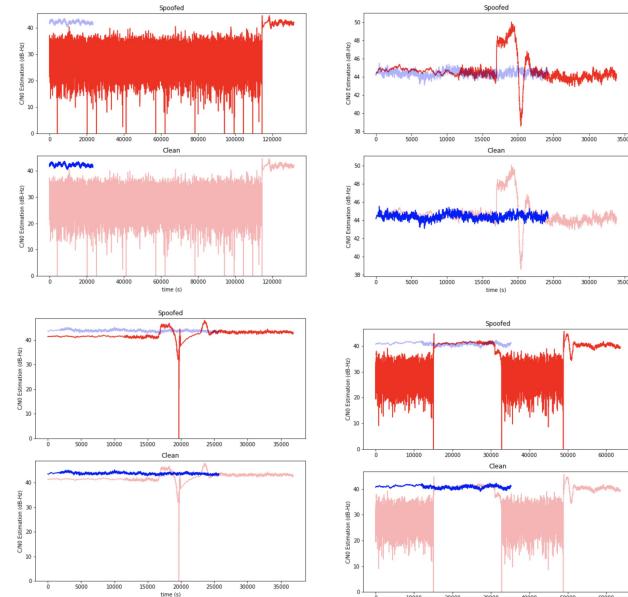
Based on the setup(config file), it generates log of variables from different modules.

From the extracted geojson file, I visualized variables with comparison between normal vs. spoofed data.

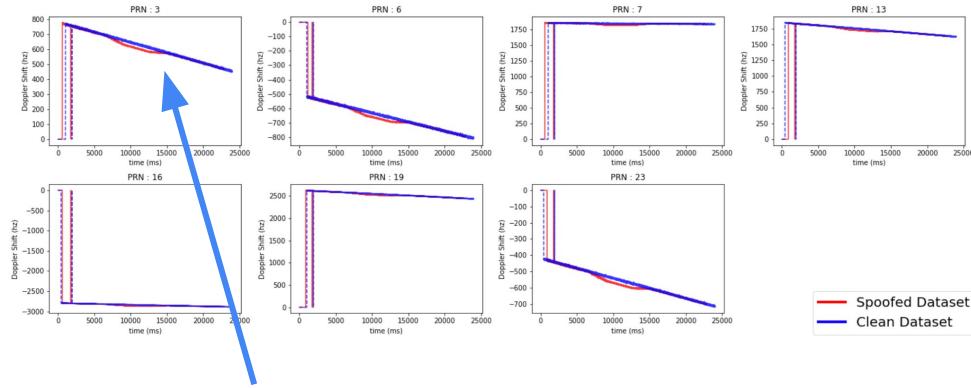
# Exploratory Data Analysis in TEXBAT - C/N0



- C/N0 is totally out of control in all datasets**
- C/N0 is stable in the stationary status
  - Shows gradual increase/decrease in motion

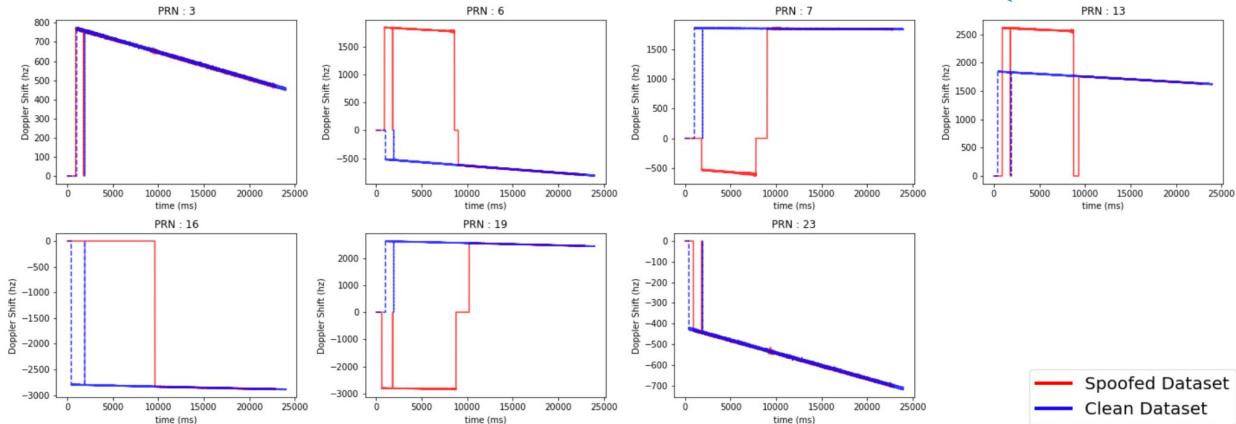


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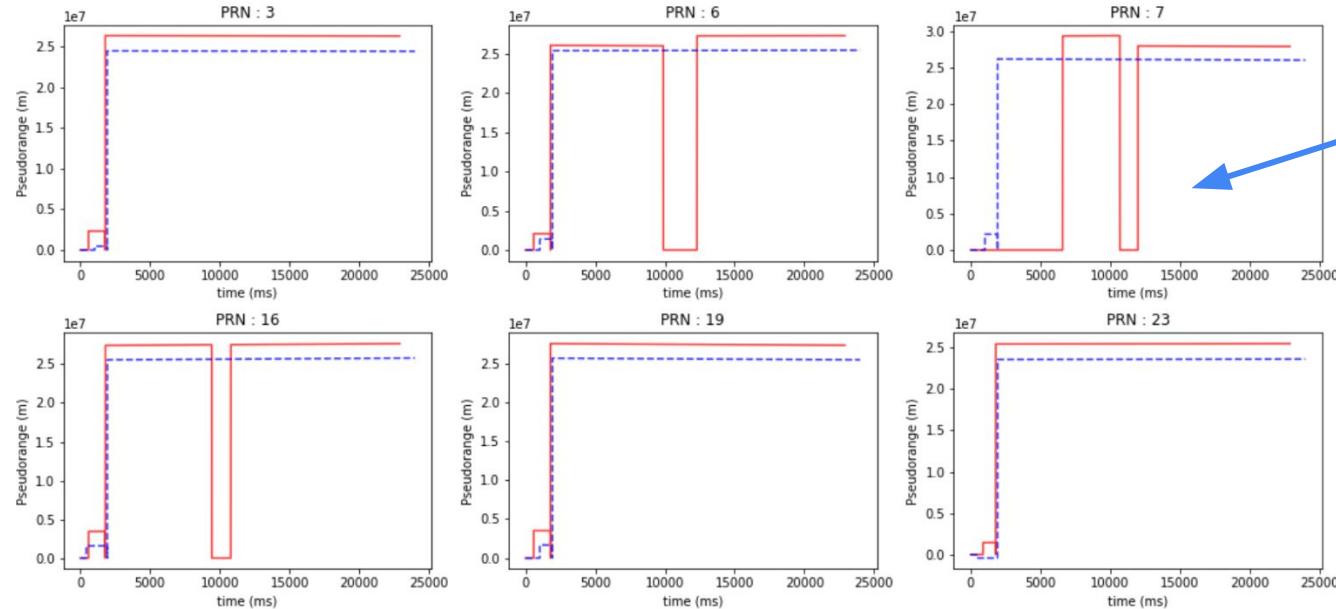


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**Unexpected fluctuation**

**Pattern 2 :**  
**Abrupt extreme jump/drop**

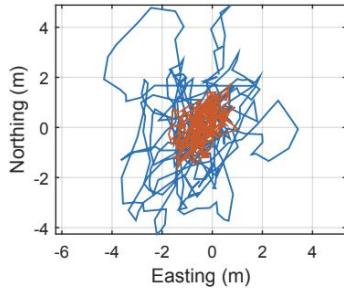


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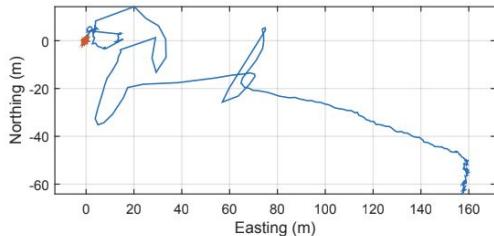


**Abrupt extreme jump/drop has been observed**

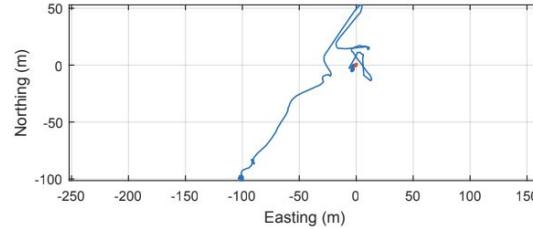
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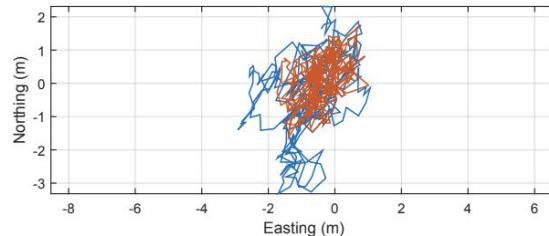
**Figure 7.** Scenario 2 (blue) horizontal position track overlaid on the clean scenario's track (orange) as calculated by the software receiver. The origin is located at  $30^{\circ}17'15.068''\text{N}$ ,  $97^{\circ}44'08.642''\text{W}$ .



**Figure 8.** Scenario 3 (blue) horizontal position track overlaid on the clean scenario's track (orange) as calculated by the software receiver. The origin is located at  $30^{\circ}17'15.068''\text{N}$ ,  $97^{\circ}44'08.642''\text{W}$ .



**Figure 9.** Scenario 4 (blue) horizontal position track overlaid on the clean scenario's track (orange) as calculated by the software receiver. The origin is located at  $30^{\circ}17'15.068''\text{N}$ ,  $97^{\circ}44'08.642''\text{W}$ .



**Figure 10.** Scenario 7 (blue) horizontal position track overlaid on the clean scenario's track (orange) as calculated by the software receiver. The origin is located at  $30^{\circ}17'15.068''\text{N}$ ,  $97^{\circ}44'08.642''\text{W}$ .

# Motivation

**Spoofing signal cannot be exactly the same with the original :**

It's almost impossible to make every variables as same as the original signal is while distorting the target variable(mostly PVT).

**Monitoring individual variable may not work :**

Aggregate multiple variables from different modules

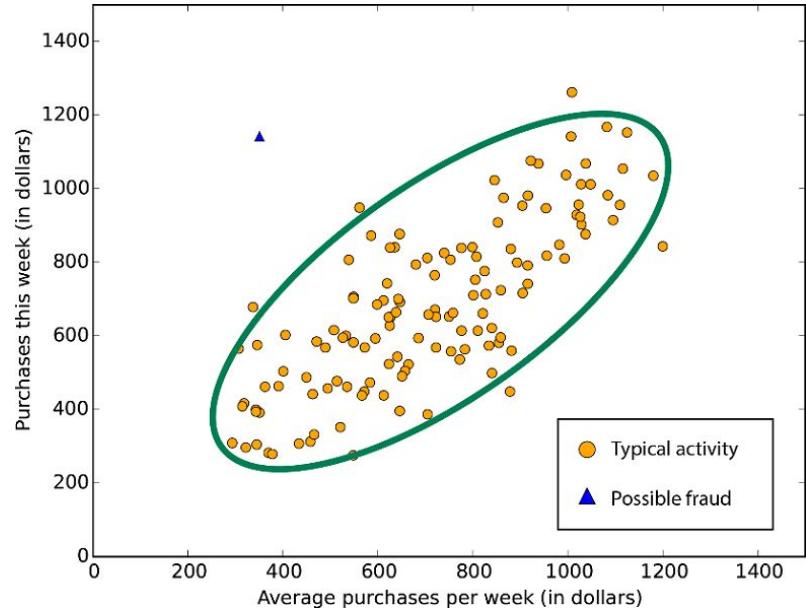
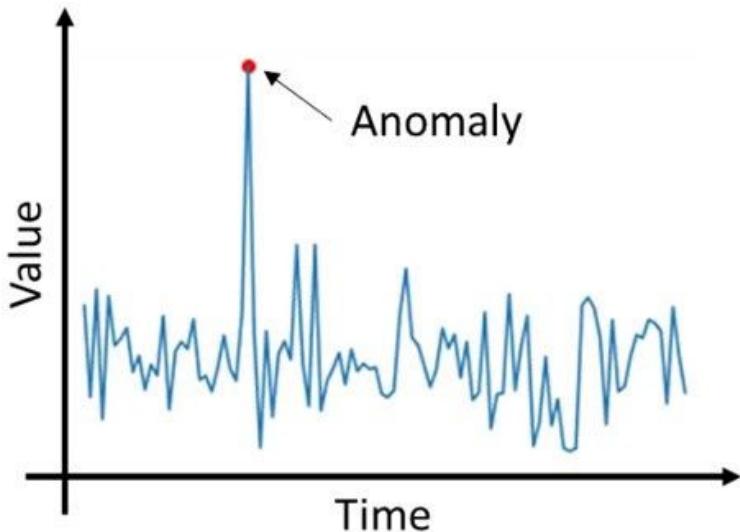
**Anomaly detection typically works well on this :**

Frequently used in industrial / netsec area

# Variables used for the task

- prompt\_i : Value of the Prompt correlator in the In-phase component.
- prompt\_q : Value of the Prompt correlator in the Quadrature component.
- cn0\_db\_hz : C/N0 estimation, in dB-Hz.
- carrier\_doppler\_hz : Doppler shift, in Hz.

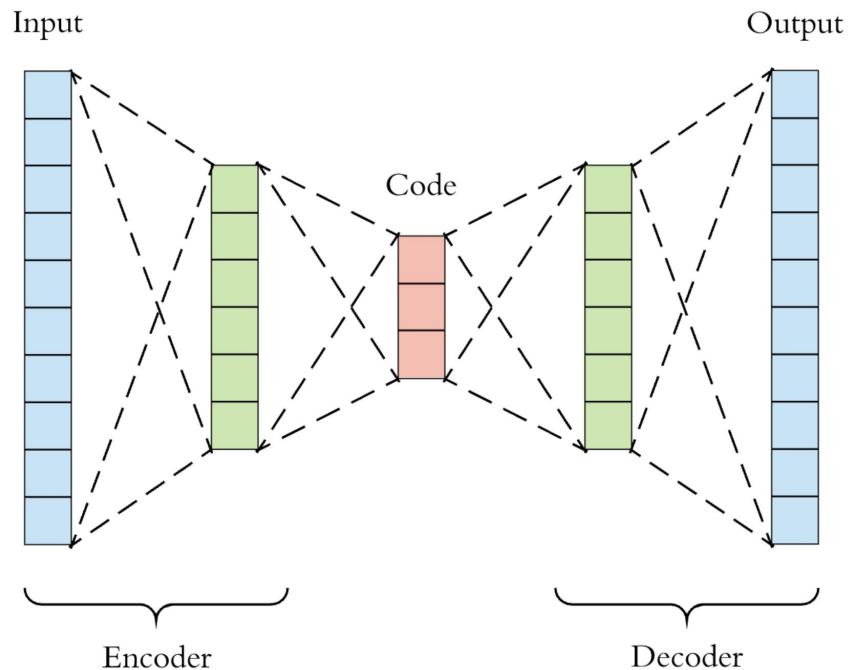
# Anomaly Detection



**Anomaly detection :**

Detecting the abnormal pattern which doesn't go along with its neighboring data.

# Deep Learning model for the task : Autoencoder



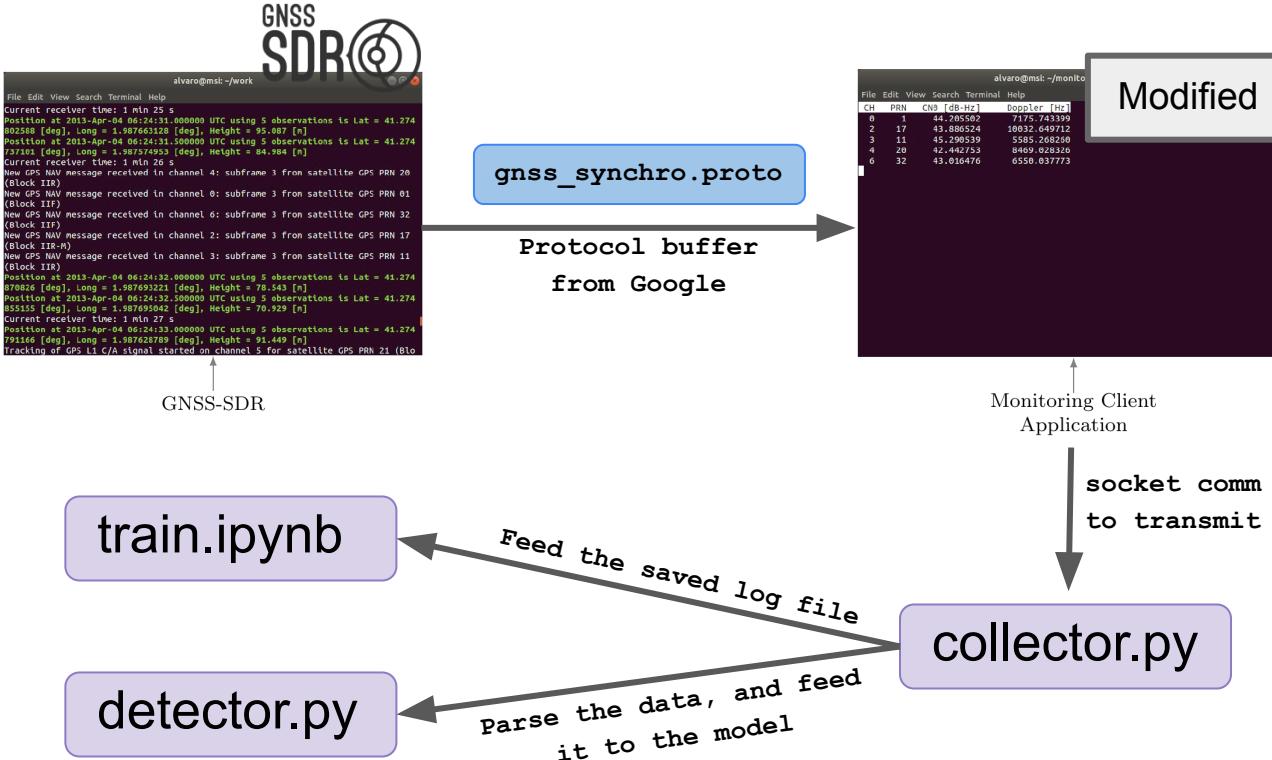
**Autoencoder for Anomaly detection :**  
Training the model to predict as same as input

Then, the model is trained to have less error for the normal input.

On the other hand, the model has relatively huge error on abnormal pattern.

By setting the threshold of error, it's possible to set its sensitivity.

# System overview



# Functions

`monitoring_client.cc`

- + socket communication with python code
- + select the variables to send
- + print out the streamed data

`collector.py`

- + receive data from the socket comm
- + parse the raw data
- + save the parsed data into csv file

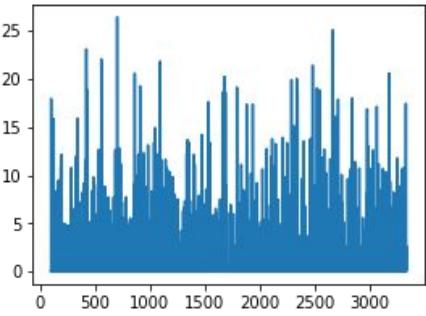
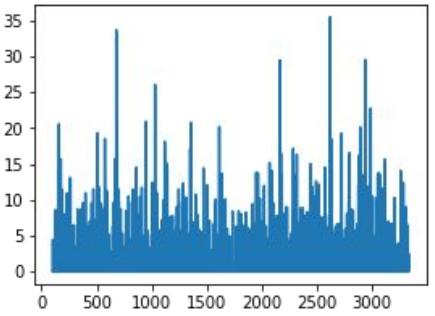
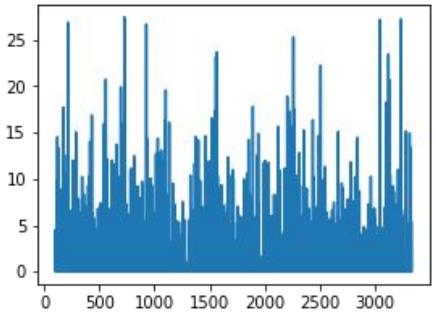
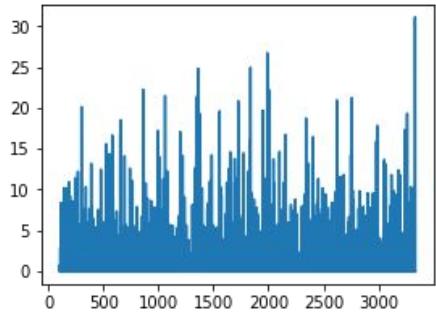
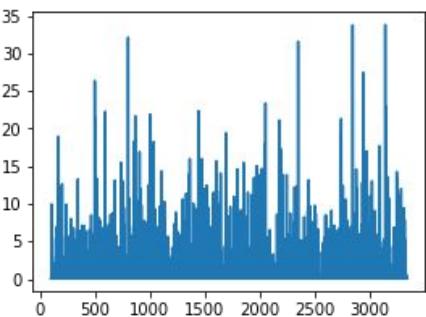
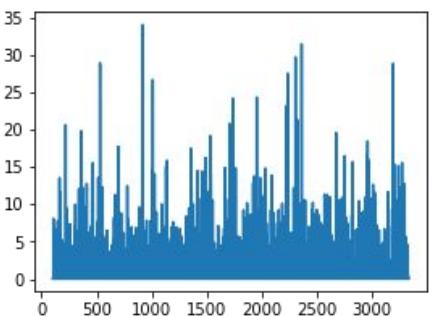
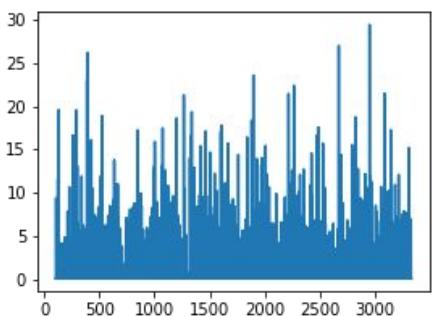
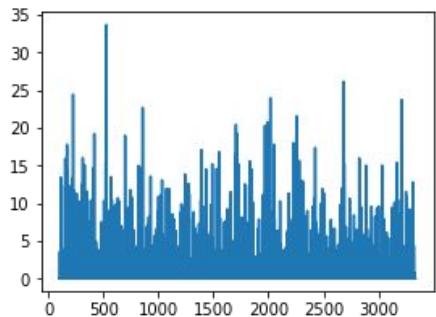
`train.ipynb`

- + read the data from csv file
- + preprocess data - `diff()`
- + normalize data - `standardscaler()`
- + build and train a model - tensorflow
- + save the model

`detector.py`

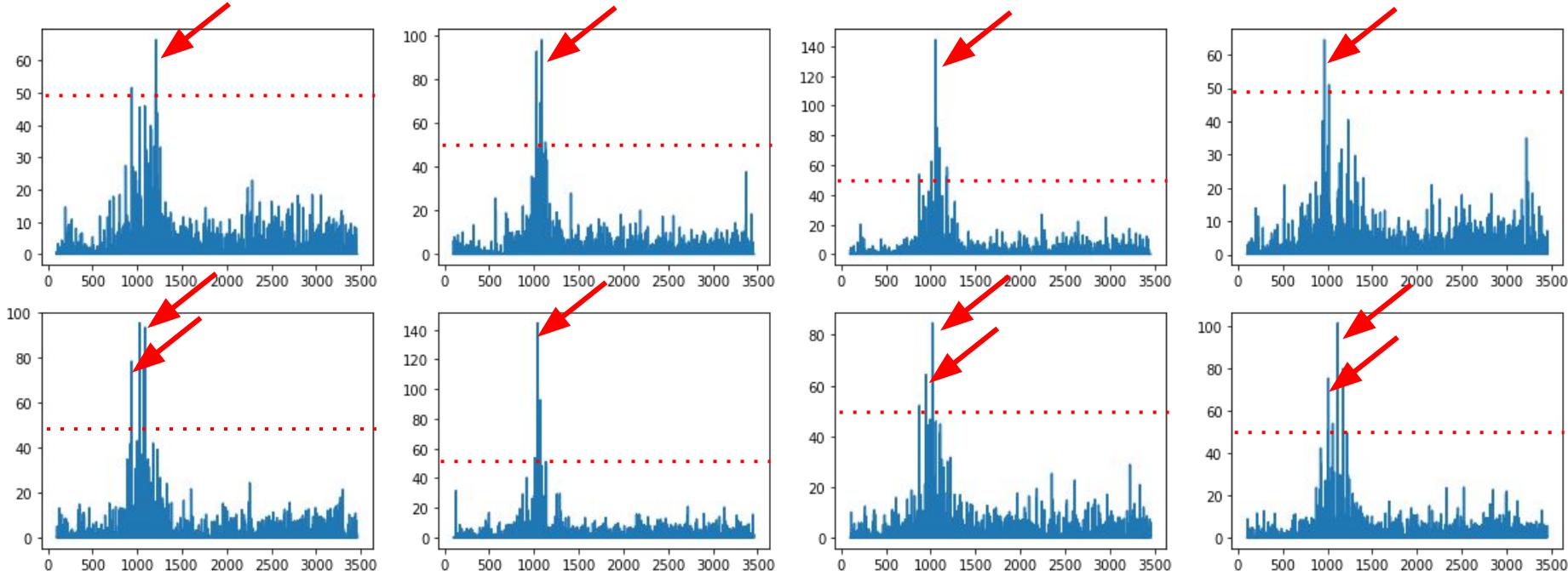
- + receive data from socket comm
- + parse the raw data
- + load and restore the model
- + feed the data to the model
- + set alert based on error

# Result - errors from clean data



→ Set threshold = 50 based on the observed error graph above

# Result - errors from spoofing data



→ Overall, the model detected 34 out of 40 spoofing cases (85%)

# **Limitation**

**Hard to test with real data :**

Testing with spoofing signal is not easy

**Limited variables :**

Monitor block doesn't have all variables from GNSS-SDR

**Processing speed :**

Not working robustly in real-time