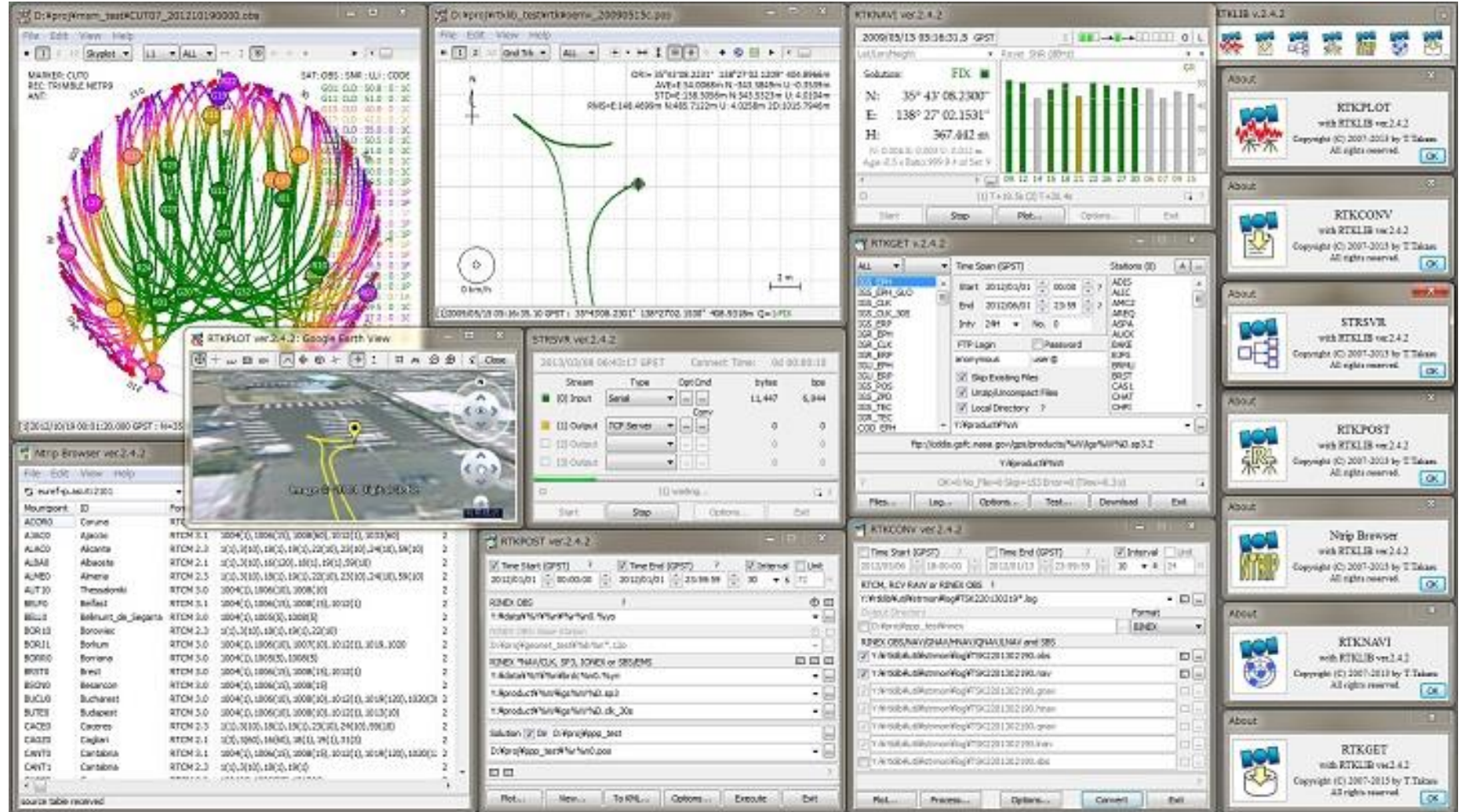


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RTKLIB (2006~)



The developer is Mr. Tomoji Takasu.



The collage displays several key components of the RTKLIB ecosystem:

- RTKCONV v2.4.2:** A utility for converting RTK data formats, showing a list of stations and their coordinates.
- RTKPOST v2.4.2:** The main post-processing engine, showing a table of station data with columns for station ID, name, and coordinates.
- RTKGET v2.4.2:** A tool for downloading RTK data from various sources, showing a list of stations and their corresponding data files.
- RTKNAV v2.4.2:** A real-time navigation application, showing a 3D globe and a 2D map view with a trajectory.
- RTKPLOTT v2.4.2:** A plotting application, showing a 3D network diagram of stations and their connections.
- RTKCONV v2.4.2 (About):** A series of 'About' dialog boxes for various RTKLIB applications, including RTKCONV, STRSVR, RTKPOST, RTKNAV, and RTKGET.

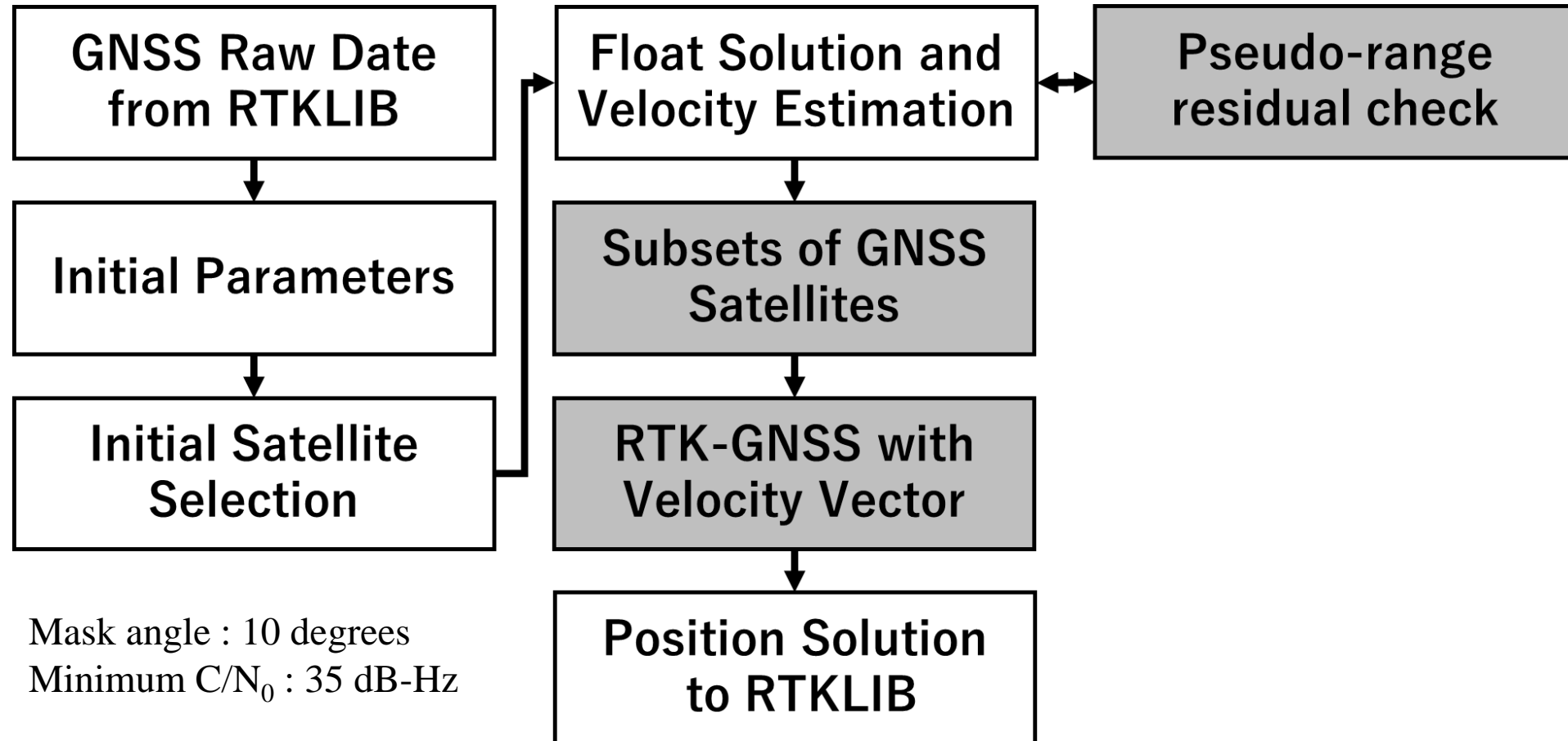
Motivation

- The RTK performance of commercial receivers has improved owing to the commercial availability of low-cost dual-frequency receivers since around 2018.
- Little by little, differences in performance are being seen especially in the case of urban areas.
- rtklibexplorer has contributed to fill in the gaps in this situation.
- Here, we describe an improved algorithm for RTK, particularly for vehicles in urban areas, and present the experimental results by comparing the RTKs of RTKLIB, rtklibexplorer, and a typical low-cost RTK receiver

Three methods for the improvement

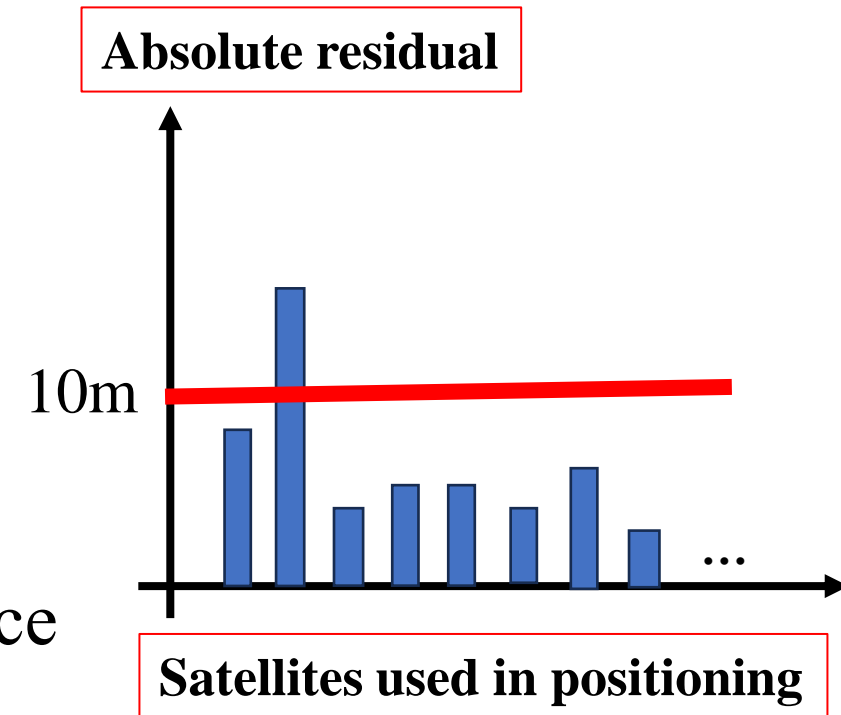
1. Satellite selection based on Pseudo-range residuals
 2. Use of GNSS velocity for float solutions
 3. Subsets of GNSS satellites
- These are conventional methods, but it is effective to improve the RTK performance.

Flowchart of methodology



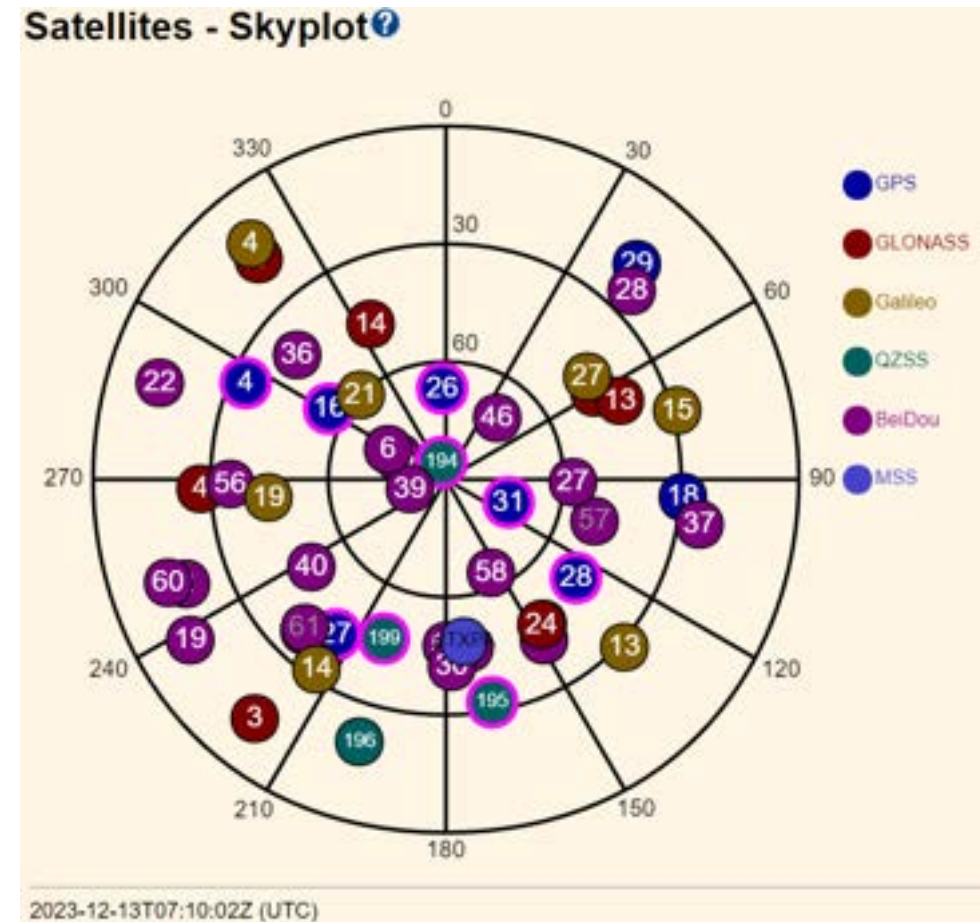
Pseudo-range residual check

- The residuals of the satellites were checked using the least squares method.
- If the absolute residual of the satellite was at its maximum and was over approximately **10 m**, the satellite was repeatedly removed from positioning, provided that the HDOP was lower than 10.
- The maximum iteration number is set 5.
- If you don't want to remove the satellite, we can reduce the weight the satellite in positioning.
- Doppler frequency residual in velocity estimation can also be used for this purpose (future task).



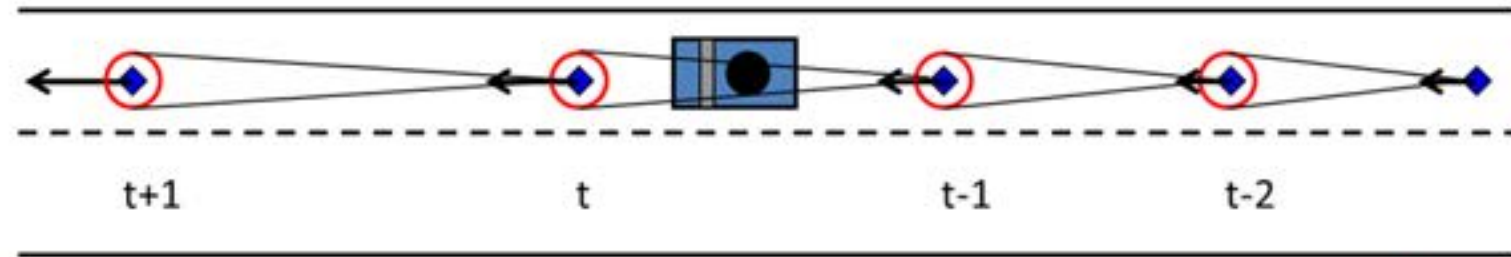
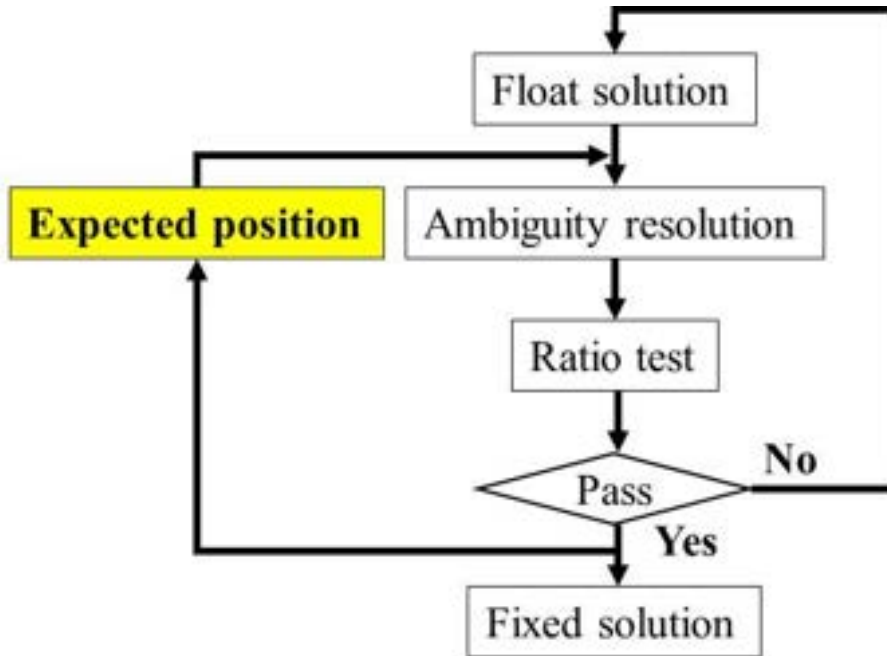
Subsets of GNSS satellites

- We are now on multi-GNSS era.
- First of all, we use all 5 satellites (GPS/GLONASS/GALILEO/BDS/QZSS).
- If we can't get RTK fix solution, we re-select other satellite systems.
- The order is as follows.
- GREBQ → GEBQ → GREB → GEQ → GQ



Over 60 degrees, 8 satellites are available !

Ambiguity Resolution using Velocity Information



$$\text{Expected Position (t)} = \text{Previous Fix Position(t-1)} + (\text{Velocity(t)} + \text{Velocity(t-1)})/2$$

Interval = 1.0 sec

The expected position is the previously fixed position, updated by adding half the present velocity estimate and half the previous velocity estimate.

The reliability of the previously fixed position is important.

Data collection

Sensor	Model name
GNSS Receiver (base and rover)	u-blox F9P
GNSS Antenna (rover)	Trimble AT1695
GNSS Antenna (base)	Trimble Zephyr 2 Geodetic
Reference Position	POSLV620 (post-processed)



Test1 3,360 s



Test2 3,088 s

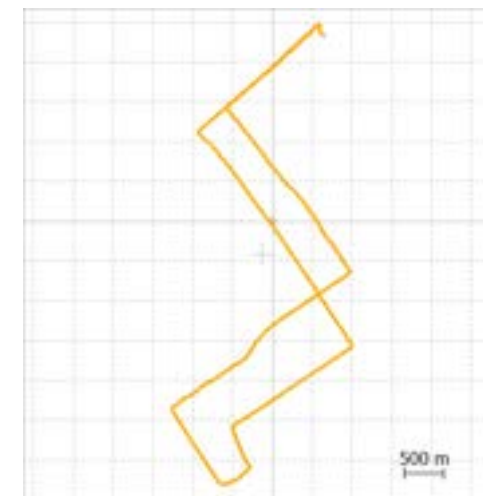
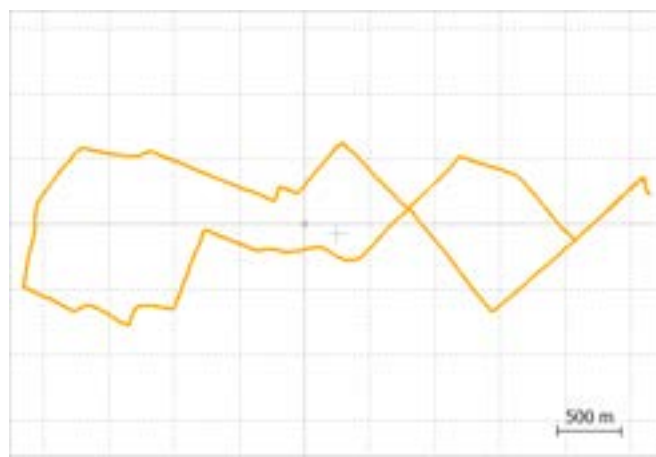
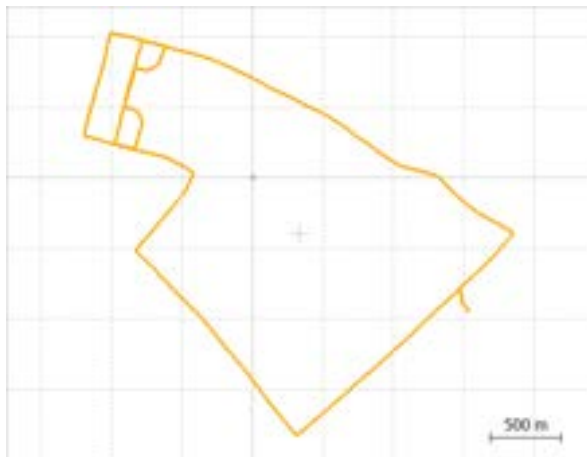


Test3 2,852 s

Data analysis

- Raw GNSS data of dual-frequency observations were post-processed using the algorithm mentioned above.
- The processing is only forward and can be used in real time.
- The settings of the important parameters were the same for all the tests. The mask angle was set to 10°. The minimum carrier-to-noise ratio was set to 35 dB-Hz. The threshold for the pseudo-range residual check was set to 10 m.
- First, the test results of the float solutions (DGNSS+Velocity) are introduced. Second, the test results of the RTK-GNSS are introduced in terms of both the fix rate and accuracy (Horizontal 2D RMS). “rtkplot” in RTKLIB is used to show the test results.

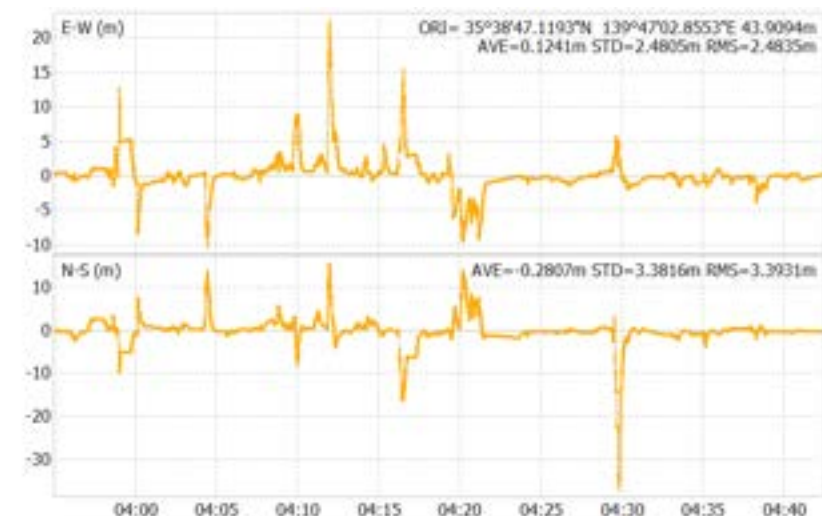
Test results of float solutions



Test1



Test2



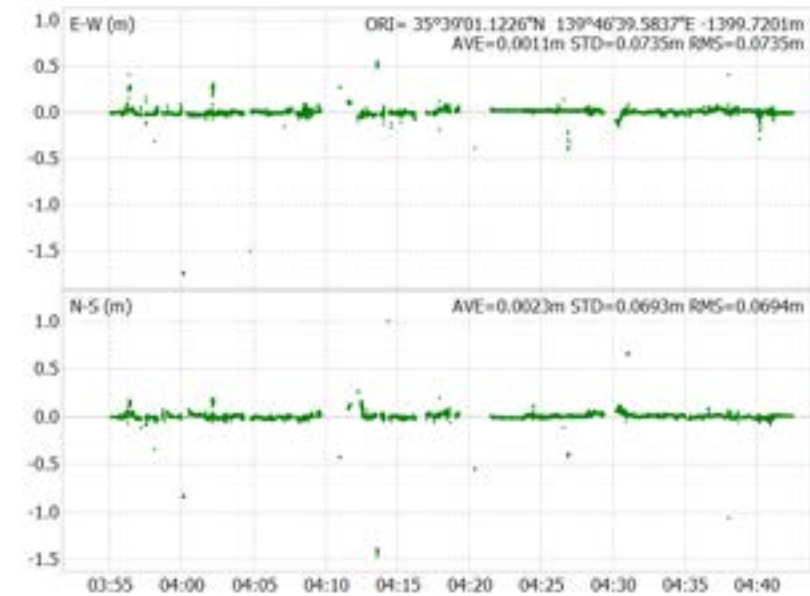
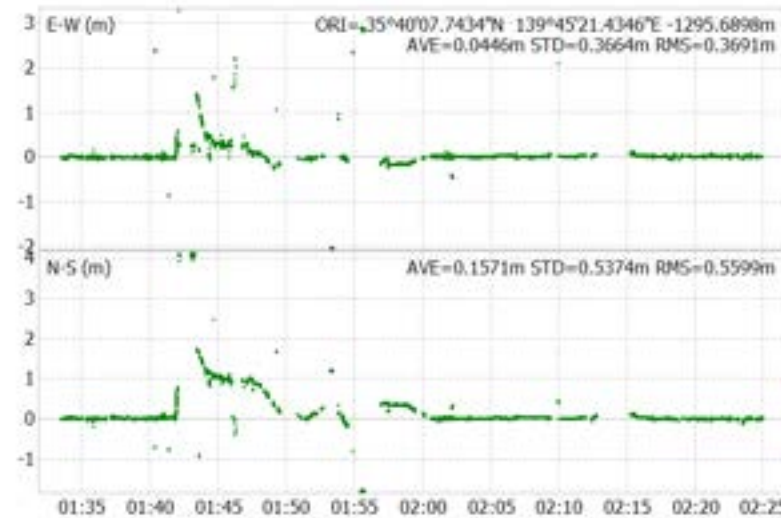
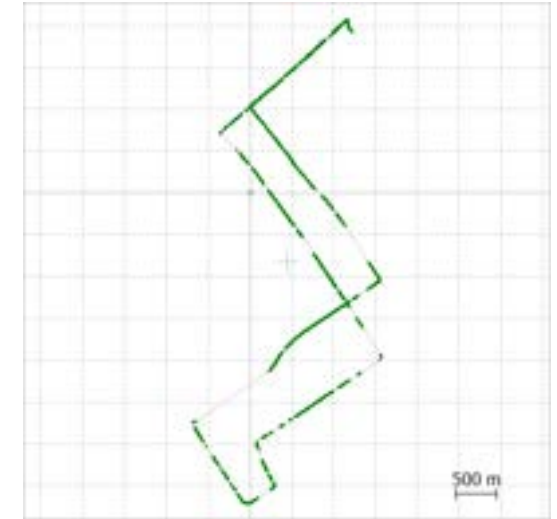
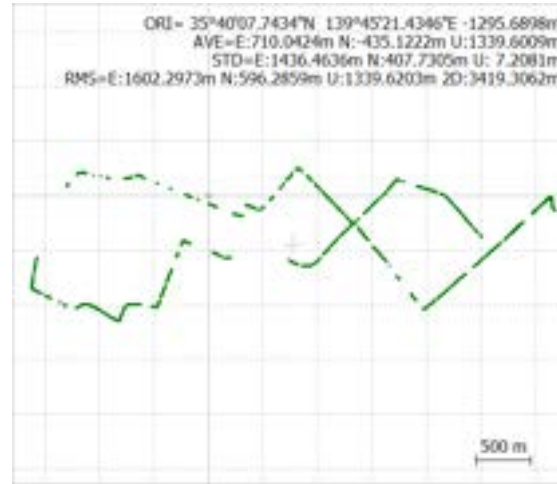
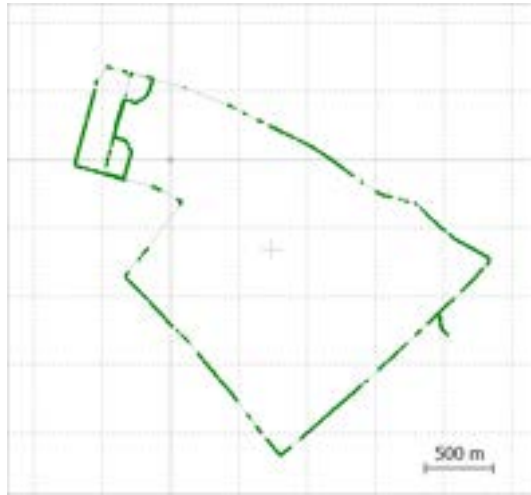
Test3

Comparison with commercial receiver

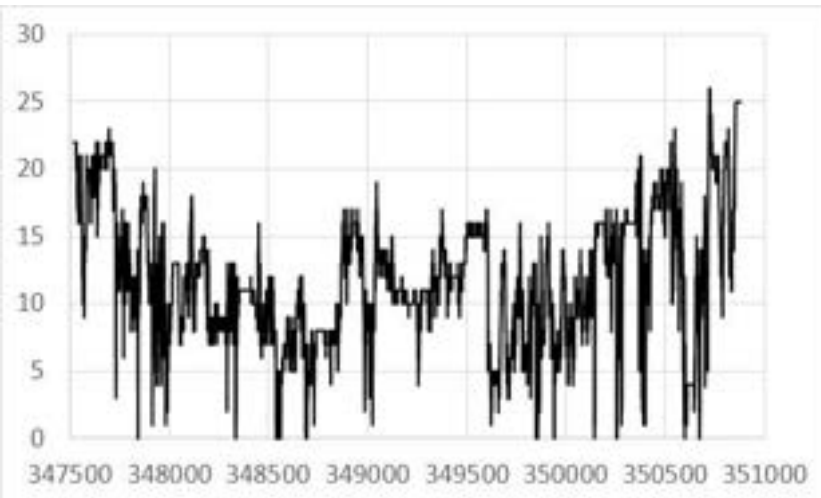
Horizontal 2DRMS comparisons between Modified RTKLIB and commercial receiver

Test number	Modified RTKLIB	Commercial receiver (u-blox F9P)
First test course	5.12 m	11.88 m
Second test course	5.68 m	16.45 m
Third test course	8.41 m	7.97 m

Test results of RTK-GNSS



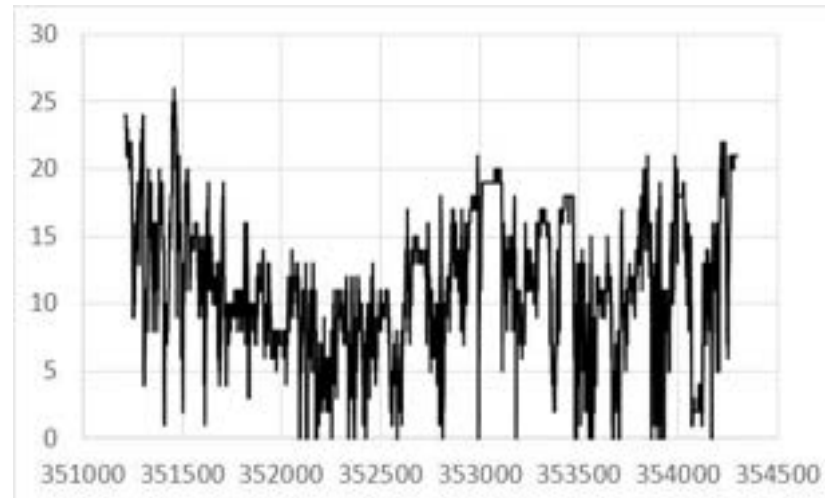
Temporal used satellites for 3 Tests (Dual-frequency carrier phase : valid)



Average number of used satellites

Test1 : **11.6**

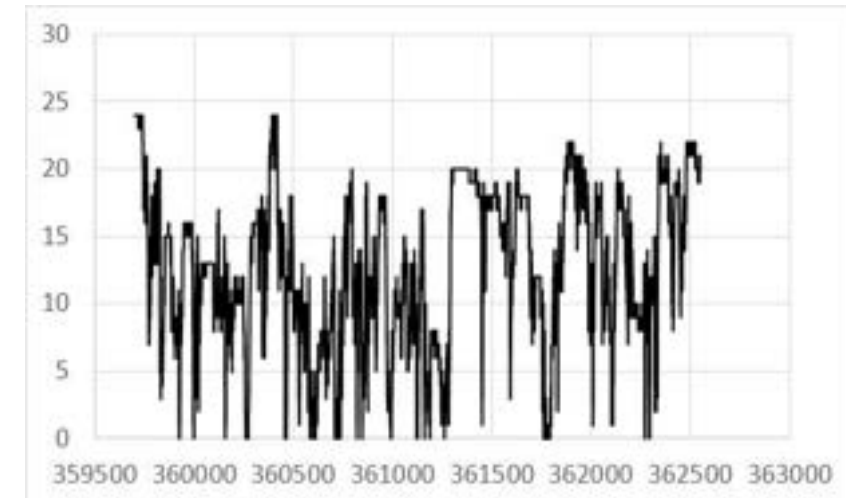
(25.8 for base station)



Average number of used satellites

Test2 : **11.2**

(25.3 for base station)



Average number of used satellites

Test3 : **12.6**

(24.8 for base station)

Comparison with commercial receiver

Test number	Modified RTKLIB		Commercial receiver (u-box F9P)	
	Fix rate	Horizontal 2DRMS	Fix rate	Horizontal 2DRMS
First test course	66.8 %	0.53 m	52.2 %	0.32 m
Second test course	58.0 %	1.34 m	47.9 %	0.82 m
Third test course	67.8 %	0.20 m	74.2 %	0.54 m

Comparisons with RTKLIB/rtklibexplorer

- For the ambiguity resolution method, the instantaneous mode was used because the instantaneous mode is the best of the three modes using RTKLIB in urban areas.
- For the ambiguity resolution method, the Fix and Hold mode was used because the Fix and Hold mode is the best of the three modes using rtklibexplorer in urban areas.
- The following table summarizes the setting values of the parameters for RTK-GNSS. Each parameter to produce best performance was searched by changing these values. In fact, Min Lock to Fix Amb was also used here.

Parameters	Setting values
Mask angle	10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35
Minimum C/N ₀ (dB-Hz)	30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44
Code/Carrier ratio	100, 200, 300

Comparison with RTKLIB

Test number	Modified RTKLIB		RTKLIB	
	Fix rate	Horizontal 2DRMS	Fix rate	Horizontal 2DRMS
First test course	66.8 %	0.53 m	41.1 %	7.69 m
Second test course	58.0 %	1.34 m	34.3 %	7.36 m
Third test course	67.8 %	0.20 m	54.3 %	11.23 m

Comparison with rtklibexplorer

Test number	Modified RTKLIB		rtklibexplorer	
	Fix rate	Horizontal 2DRMS	Fix rate	Horizontal 2DRMS
First test course	66.8 %	0.53 m	64.3 %	1.24 m
Second test course	58.0 %	1.34 m	60.8 %	2.35 m
Third test course	67.8 %	0.20 m	72.5 %	0.39 m

Conclusion

- This paper presented the improvement of the generic and well-known RTKLIB GNSS software.
- RTK-GNSS was improved by applying velocity vectors and selecting satellites with good signal quality before positioning.
- However, the performance of low-cost commercial receivers was also observed to be good, and while our proposed modified RTKLIB was sometimes superior in terms of the fix rate, it was not as accurate.
- We also deduced that the performance could be considerably improved using the open-source rtklibexplorer by determining the optimal setting values.
- In the near future, we plan to evaluate methods to further reduce the wrong fixes of RTK-GNSS and improve the fix rate.