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Recent Enhancements of the Multi-Sensor Navigation Analysis Tool (MuSNAT)

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Motivation and Paper/Presentation Contents



Integrated navigation still an important research area



Ease of development by using e.g. MATLAB



Need for stand-alone real-time capable prototypes

Contents

- Stand-Alone GNSS Software Receiver USRP 2974
 - Frontend, GNSS/LTE Processing Performance (real-time)
- C++/MATLAB Interface
 - PPP Module
 - LiDAR Module
 - GNSS/Deep-Coupling Interface
- Other points and future developments



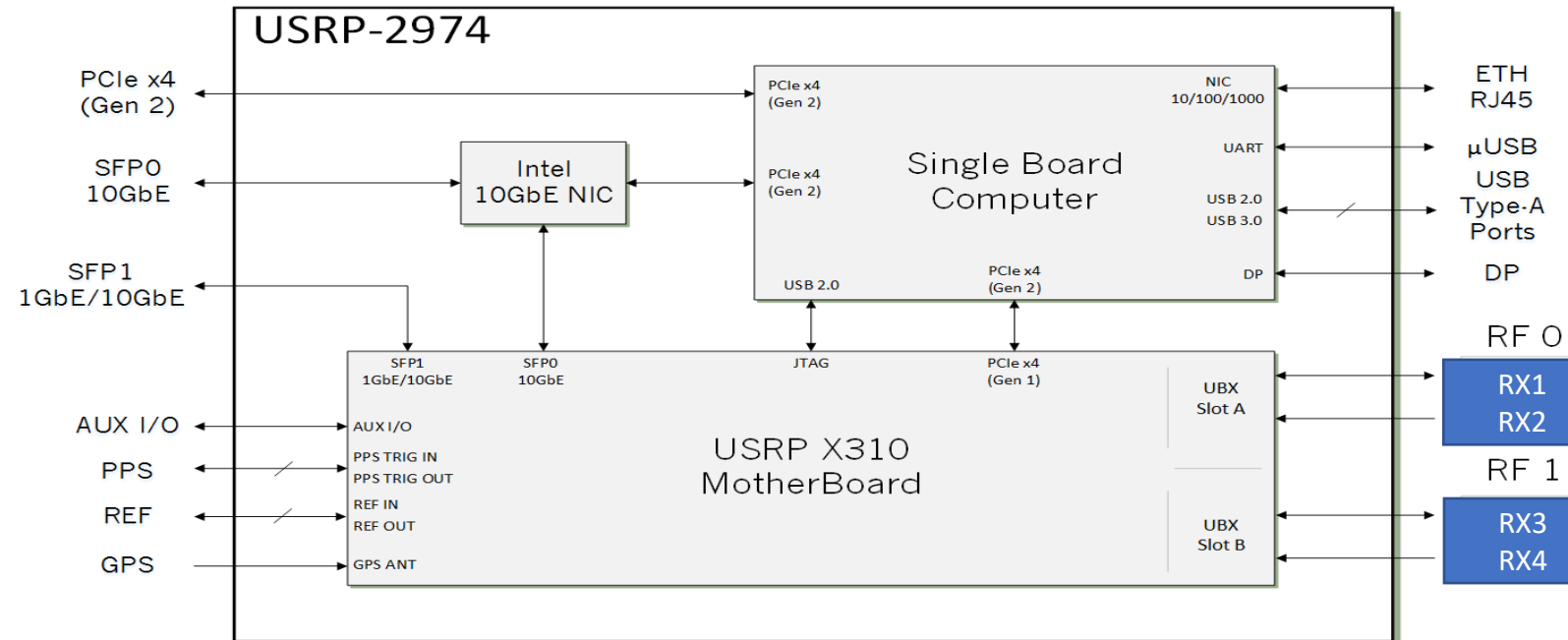
Stand-Alone GNSS Software Receiver

How to use a modified USRP as generic GNSS SDR with LTE/5G and sensor data processing capabilities



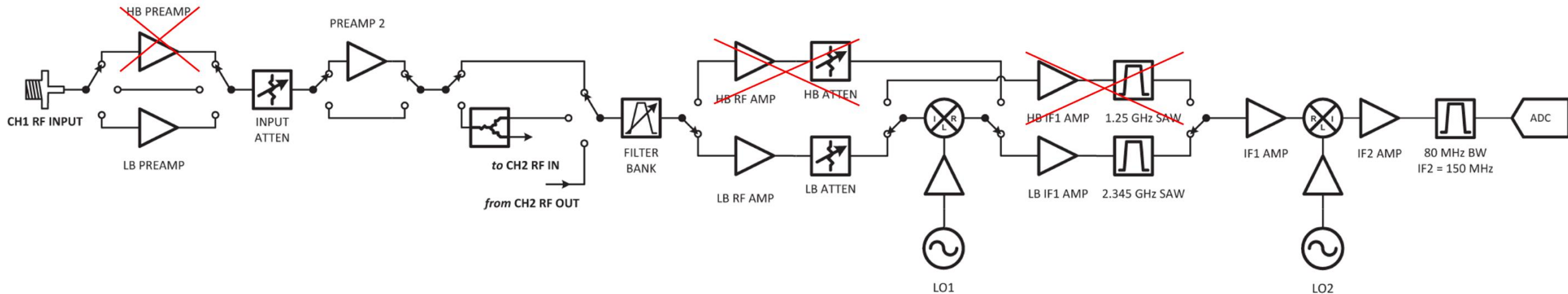
Stand alone GNSS Software Receiver

- “modified” USRP-2974
 - ADC
 - 4 x PCI 2.0, 2GByte/s
- Intel Core i7-6822EQ with a release date Q4/2015
- Windows 10 OS



RF Frontend (with TwinRx daughterboards)

- superheterodyne architecture ($G = 0$ to 93 dB, $N_f < 5$ dB)
 - 4 channels, 80 MHz each, independent tuning, RF shielding, LO sharing capability (phase-aligned operation)



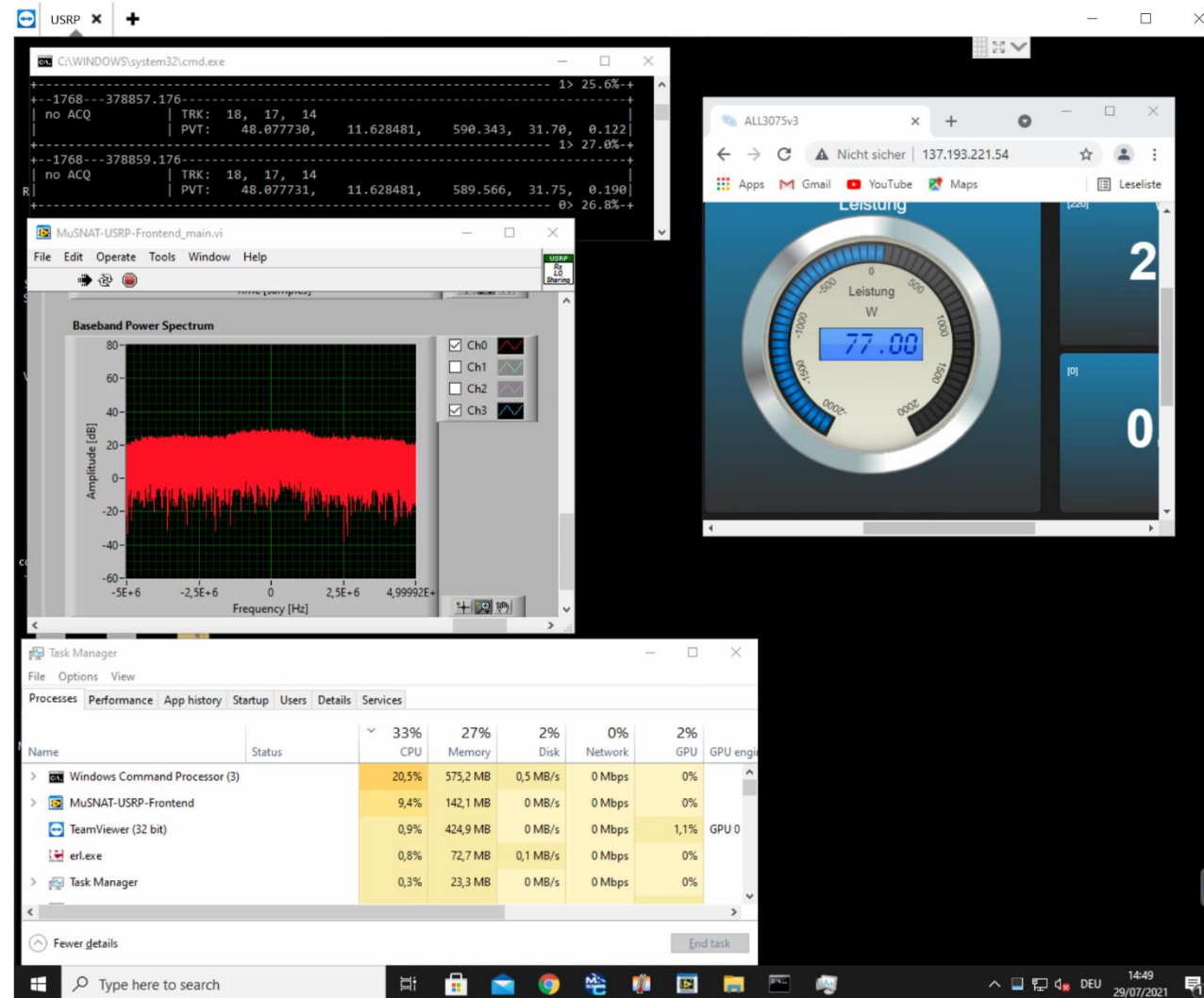
- switchable high-pass filter
- switchable 14-dB amplifier (2x)
 - PGA-102+ of Mini-Circuits
 - $N_f \approx 2.4$ dB
- 31-dB programmable attenuator
 - PE43503 of Peregrine Semiconductor
- $f = (0.01 \text{ or}) 0.8$ to 6 GHz
- $BW = (5.99 \text{ or}) 5.2$ GHz

- filter bank (4 LB configurations)
 - LB 4: $f = 1.16$ to 1.85 GHz, $BW = 680$ MHz
 - high-pass ceramic filter (HFCN-1100+)
 - LB 3: $f = 0.76$ to 1.24 GHz; $BW = 480$ MHz
 - high-pass ceramic filter (HFCN-740+)
 - low-pass ceramic filter (LFCN-1000+)
- 14-dB amplifier
- 31-dB programmable attenuator
- two high-pass ceramic filter
 - LFCN-1700+ of Mini-Circuits

- *wide-band frequency mixer*
 - SIM-722MH+ of Mini-Circuits
- 14-dB amplifier (2x)
- SAW filter
 - TA0581A of TAI-SAW
- $f_{IF} = 2.345$ GHz, $BW = 90$ MHz

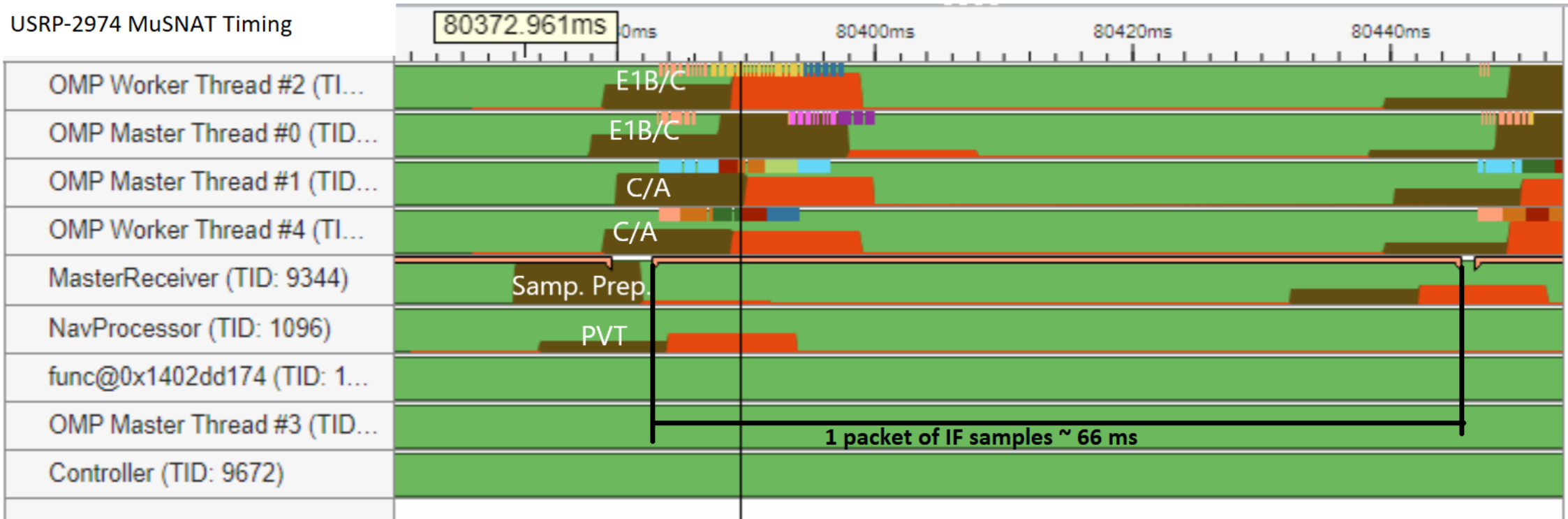
- *wide-band frequency mixer*
 - LTC 5510 of LLTC/Analog Devices
- 14-dB amplifier
- bandpass filter (NI custom)
- $f_{IF} = 125$ MHz, $BW = 40$ MHz, or
- $f_{IF} = 150$ MHz, $BW = 80$ MHz
- ADC (complex, $f_s = 200$ MHz)
 - ADS62P48 of Texas Instruments

Power Consumption and Real-Time Processing



GNSS Real-Time Processing Timing

USRP-2974 MuSNAT Timing

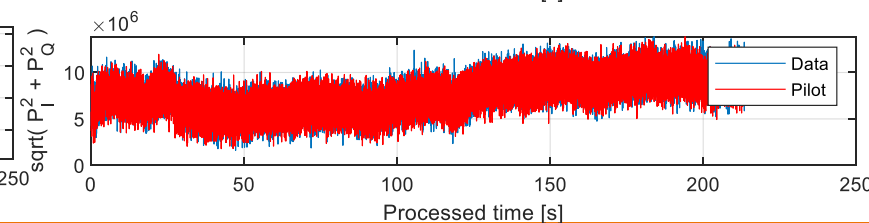
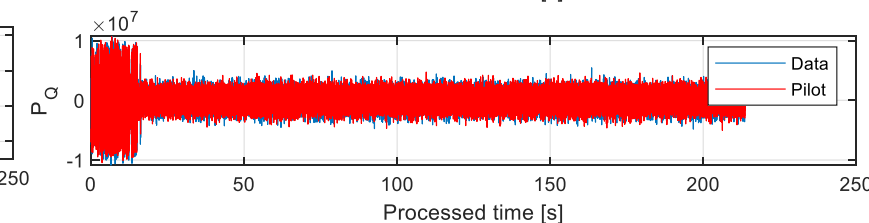
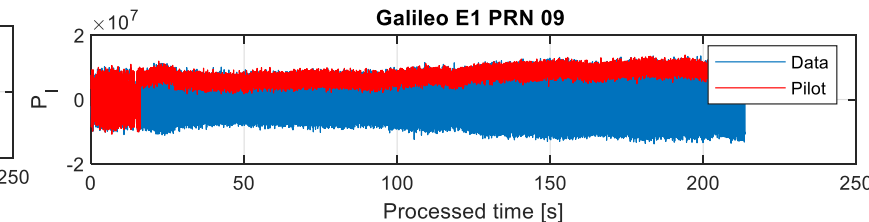
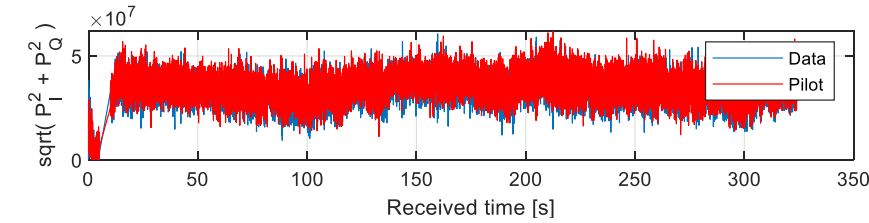
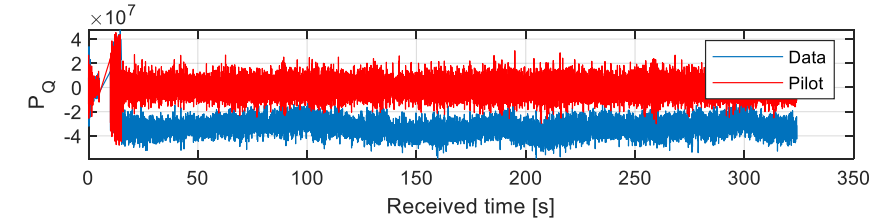
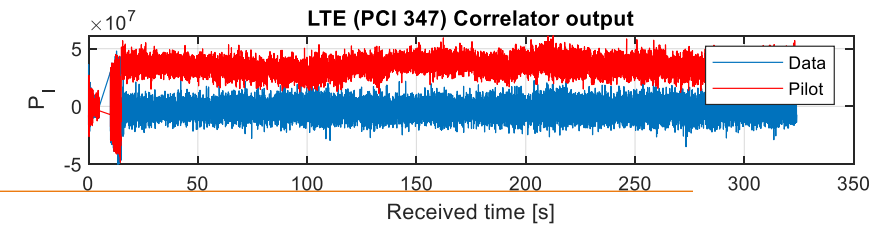
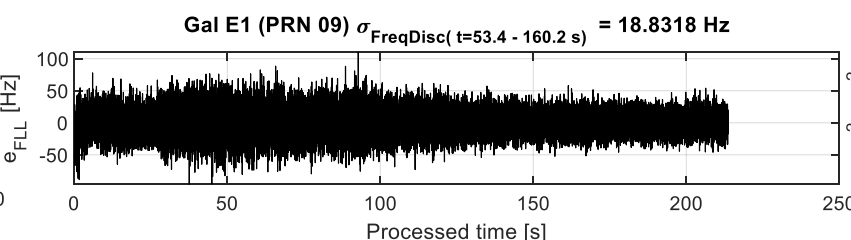
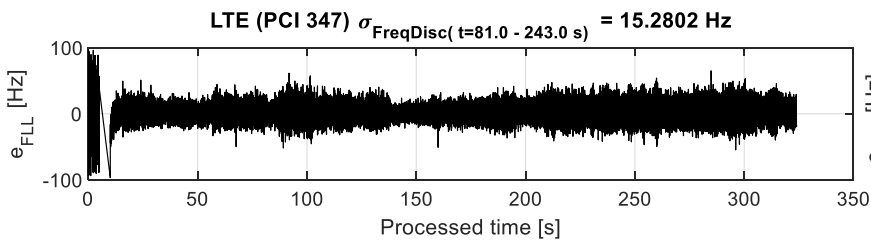
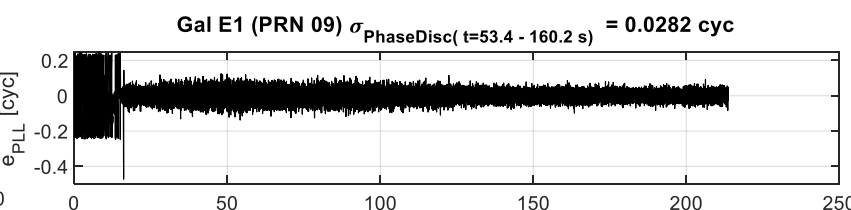
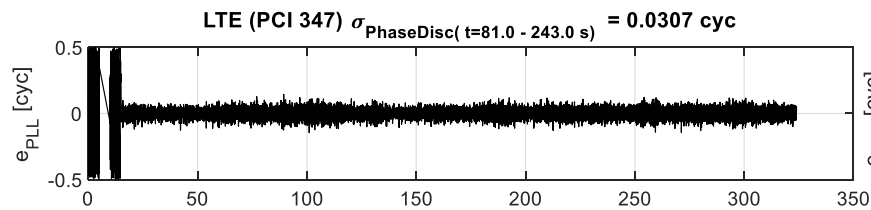
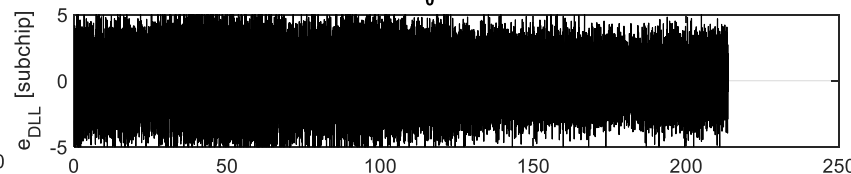
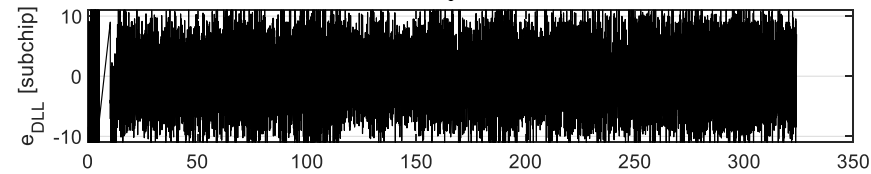


GNSS/LTE Tracking

- The LTE acquisition/tracking is based on a combined PSS/SSS sequence (10 ms long)
- The combined GNSS + LTE processing is now possible
- 5G signal acquisition/tracking (and its combination with GNSS) is currently under test

LTE (PCI 347) $\sigma_{\text{CodeDisc}}(t=81.0 - 243.0 \text{ s}) = 1498.3522 \text{ m}$, $T_{\text{coh}} = 10.00 \text{ ms}$
 1 subchip = 363.2224 m, $C/N_0 = 40.95 \text{ dBHz}$, $\text{SNR} = 20.9507 \text{ dB}$

Gal E1 (PRN 09) $\sigma_{\text{CodeDisc}}(t=53.4 - 160.2 \text{ s}) = 34.5576 \text{ m}$, $T_{\text{coh}} = 4.00 \text{ ms}$
 1 subchip = 17.9988 m, $C/N_0 = 41.74 \text{ dBHz}$, $\text{SNR} = 17.7651 \text{ dB}$





C++/MATLAB Interface

How to integrate MATLAB into the GNSS SDR (MuSNAT) C++ code to ease the development cycle



C++/MATLAB Interface

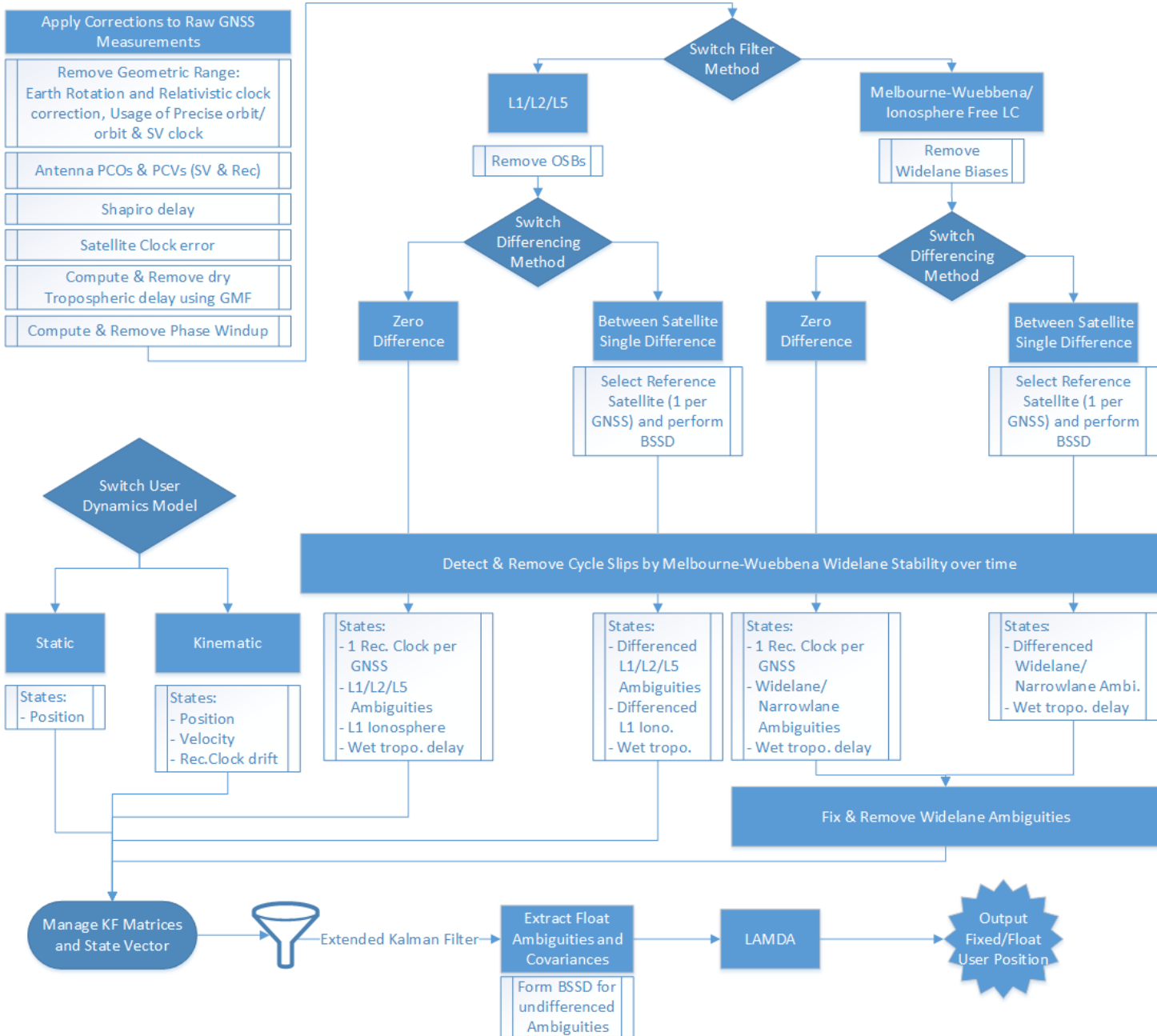
- MATLAB runs as a separate process under WINDOWS OS
- C++ header files plus libraries provided by MathWorks
- Support of various MATLAB data structures (array, cells, ...) in C++
- Execution of MATLAB scripts. (call latency a few ms)

```
254     if (nImuDataCnt)
255     {
256         // create matrix for MATLAB, 0 ... time, 1..3 acc, 4..6 gyro
257         IMU_dat = __dc__factory.createArray<double>({ nImuDataCnt, 8 });
258
259         // iterate through sensor data list
260         nImuDataCnt = 0;
261         for (it = theData.listpAccSensorData.begin(); it != theData.listpAccSensorData.end(); ++it)
262         {
263             // check if it is a IMU record and from correct IMU id (in case of multiple imus connected)
264             if ((it->get()->nType == it->get()->MemsImu))
265             {
266                 DSensorRecordImu* imuData = (DSensorRecordImu*)it->get();
267
268                 IMU_dat[nImuDataCnt][1] = double(imuData->myDat.vfAcc[0]);
269                 IMU_dat[nImuDataCnt][2] = double(imuData->myDat.vfAcc[1]);
270                 IMU_dat[nImuDataCnt][3] = double(imuData->myDat.vfAcc[2]);
271
272                 IMU_dat[nImuDataCnt][4] = double(imuData->myDat.vfGyro[0]);
273                 IMU_dat[nImuDataCnt][5] = double(imuData->myDat.vfGyro[1]);
274                 IMU_dat[nImuDataCnt][6] = double(imuData->myDat.vfGyro[2]);
275
276                 IMU_dat[nImuDataCnt][7] = double(imuData->myDat.nSampleCounter);
277                 imuData->ptRefTime.toGPS(gpsWeek, gpsSec);
278                 IMU_dat[nImuDataCnt][0] = gpsSec;
279
280                 nImuDataCnt++;
281             }
282         }
283     }
284
285     // Pass data to Matlab
286     try
287     {
288         if (nImuDataCnt) __dc__matlabPtr->setVariable(u"curImuDat", std::move(IMU_dat));
289         __dc__matlabPtr->setVariable(u"curSatStruct", std::move(satStruct));
290         __dc__matlabPtr->eval(u"dcProcessEpoch;", {}, __dc__error);
291         dcPos = __dc__matlabPtr->getVariable(u"curElemToExtract");
292     }
293     catch (...)
294     {
295         String error_ = matlab::engine::convertUTF16StringToUTF8String((__dc__error.get()->str());
296         String str;
297         str.format("DeepCouplingMatlabInterface::process -> MATLAB error '%s'", matlab::engine::convertUTF16S
298         throw SoftRecError(SoftRecError::SoftRecErrorMatlabInterface, error_.c_str());
299     }
300
301
```



GNSS

SV Orbits, clocks, Code & Phase Biases,
SV & Receiver Antenna PCOs & PCVs

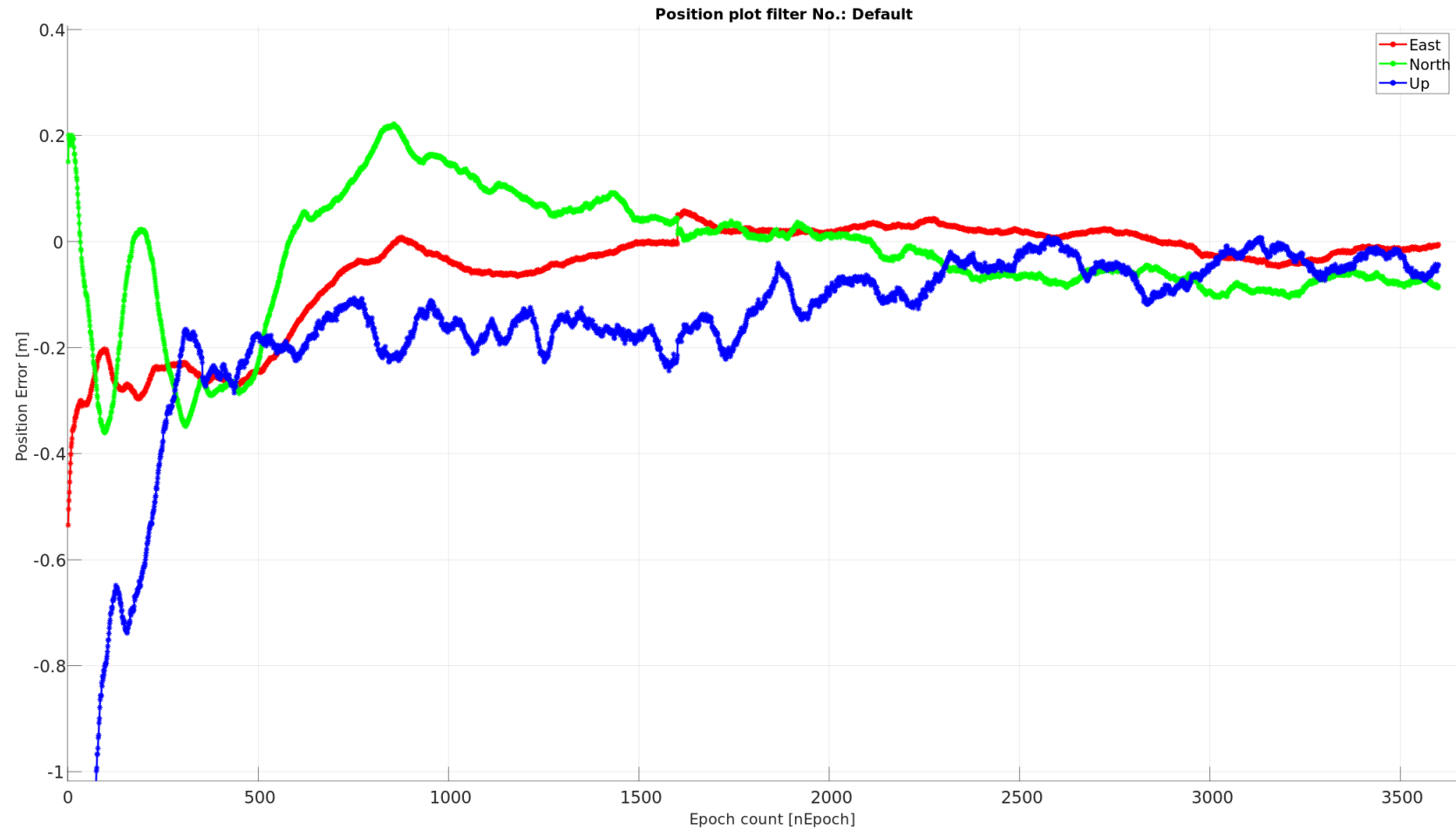


MATLAB PPP Processing

- Support of GPS L1/L2 Gal E1/E5a
- Undifferenced/BSSD
- Uncombined/ Widelane – Narrowlane
- Static/Kinematic Processing
- Cycle Slip detection using MW Measurements
- Realtime capable
- Convenient implementation (KF state handling), testing and development, use of built-in MATLAB functions;
- Processing Speed slower than pure C++



PPP, typical result



$Cloud_k$

$Cloud_{k+1}$

Ground segmentation

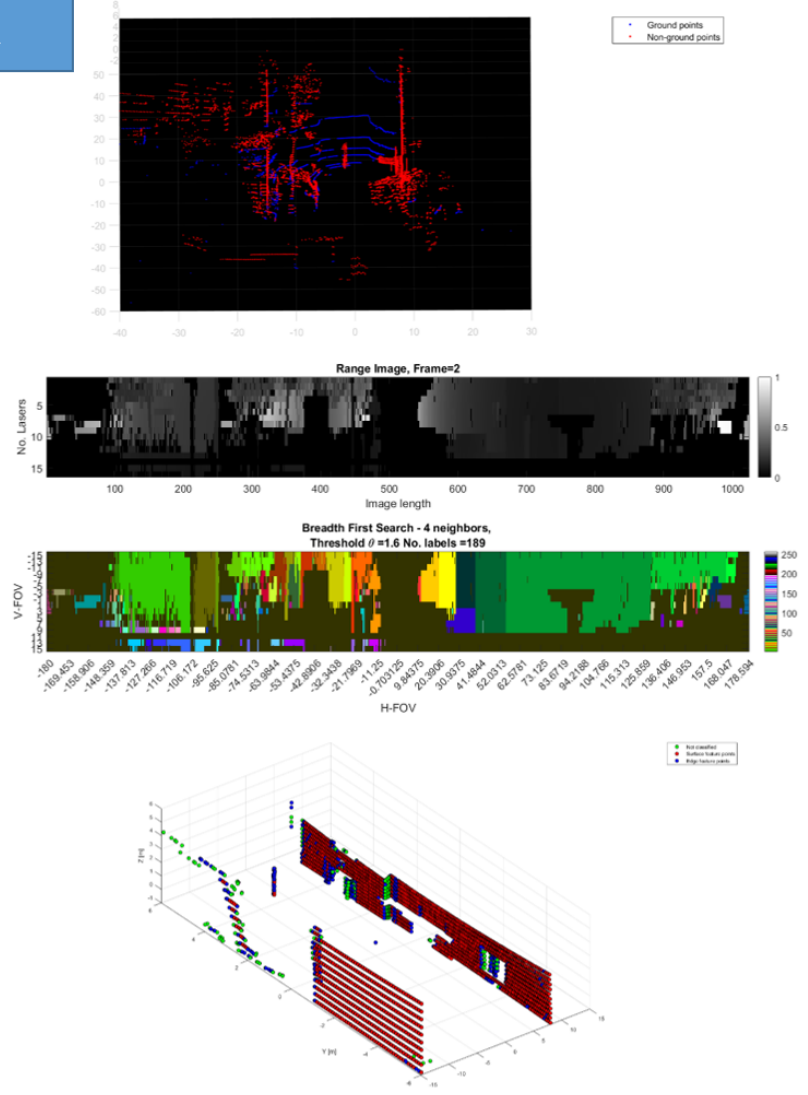
Range Image segmentation

Feature Extraction
(Surface and edge points)

Registration

Velocity error estimation

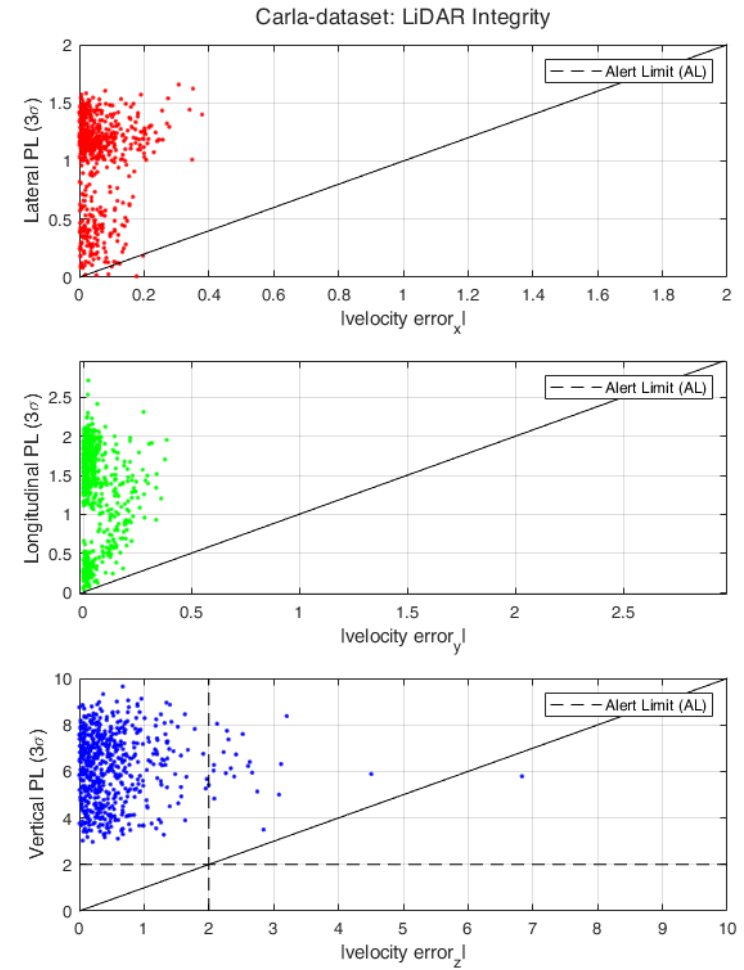
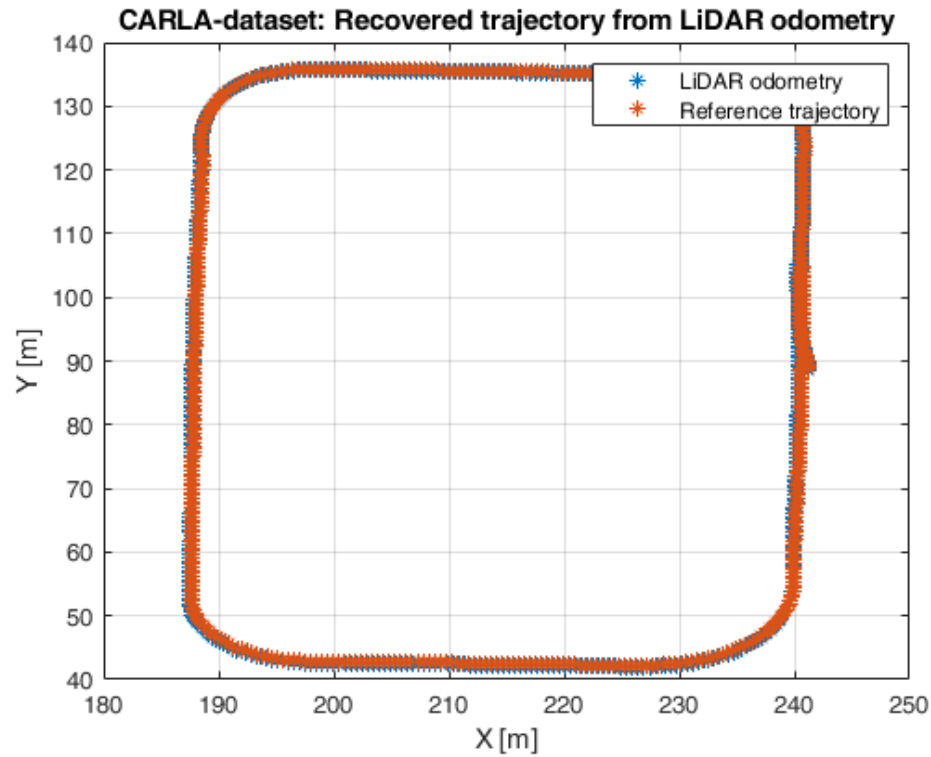
$\tilde{P}_b^n, \tilde{V}_b^n, \tilde{C}_b^n$



MATLAB LiDAR Processing

- Support of PCAP LIDAR data stream for VLP16 and synthetic data generated with CARLA
- Implementation of state of the art algorithms, specific designed for real time applications (most of them) and that can handle sparse 3D point clouds.
- The LiDAR update consist in the position, velocity and velocity error estimate.
- Facilitates evaluation, testing and visualization of the individual processing modules as it can run independently from the MuSNAT.
- It also accelerates integration with the MuSNAT as the connection with MATLAB is straight forward.
- Integration/testing of opensource libraries may be difficult to include within the matlab environment.

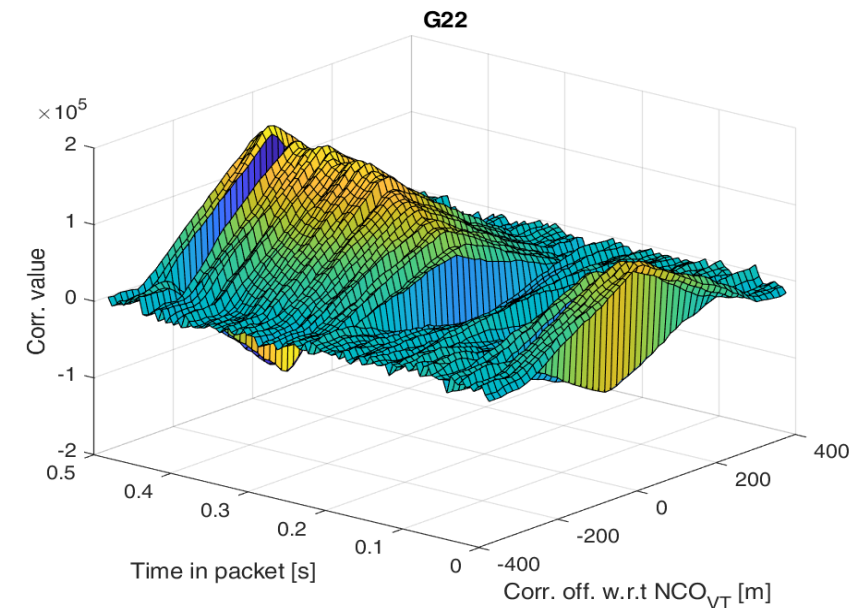
LiDAR, typical results



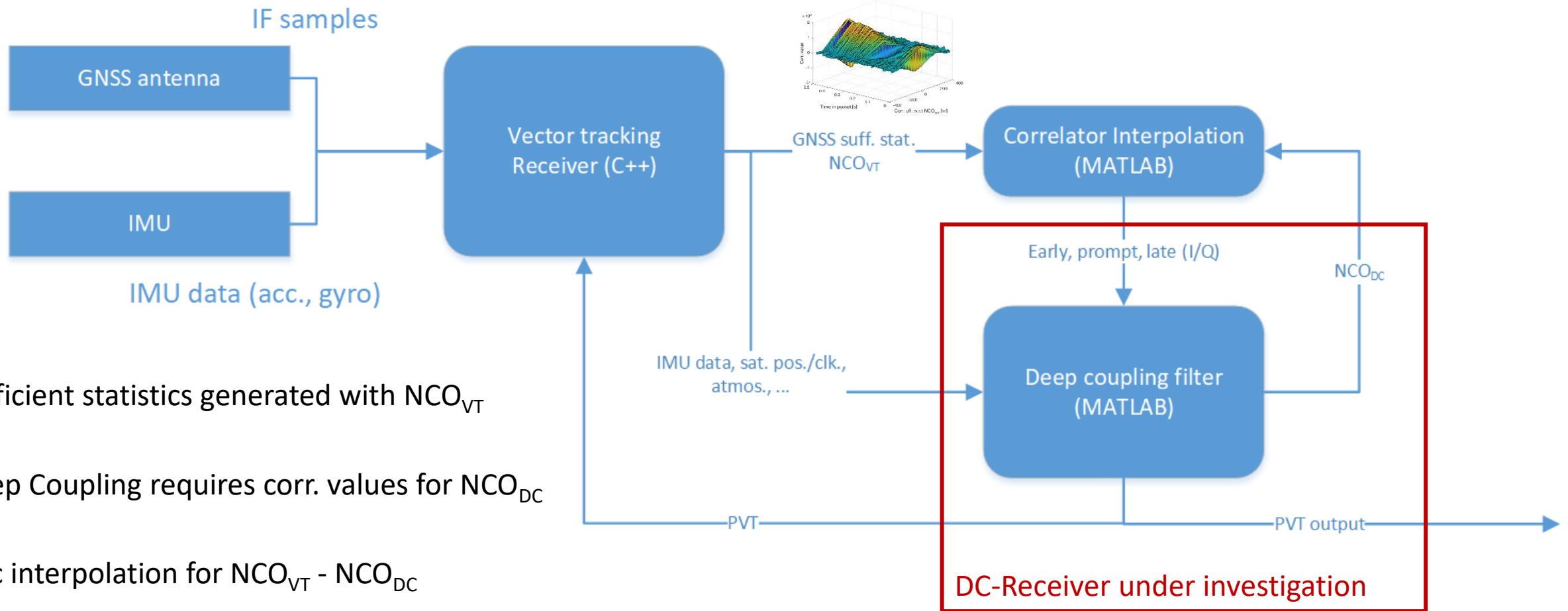
Deep Coupling C++/MATLAB Interface

- GNSS/INS Deep Coupling
 - NCO values, correlator values
 - IMU strapdown and Kalman filter
 - High bidirectional rate
 - 50 Hz ... 1 kHz
- Rate incompatible for direct use of C++/MATLAB interface due to call latency
- Another solution required

- Sufficient statistics
 - I.e. multi-correlator value
 - contain full GNSS signal contents
- Batch-wise generation passing to MATLAB for all signals and satellites (e.g. every 0.5) - > latency problem solved
- “sinc”-interpolation to get actual values



Deep Coupling C++/MATLAB Interface

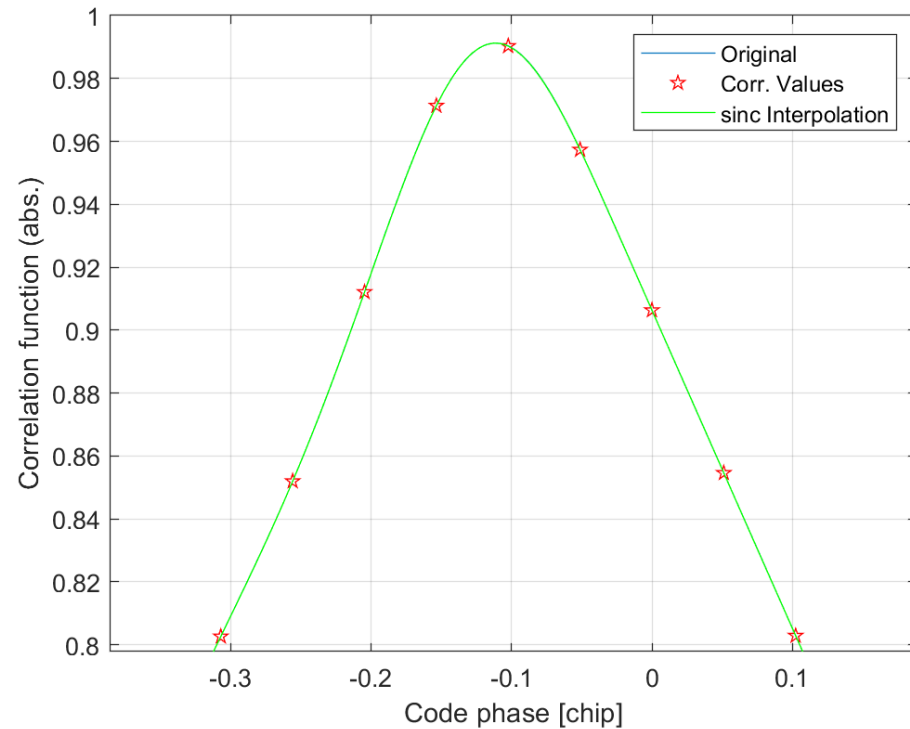


Sufficient statistics generated with NCO_{VT}

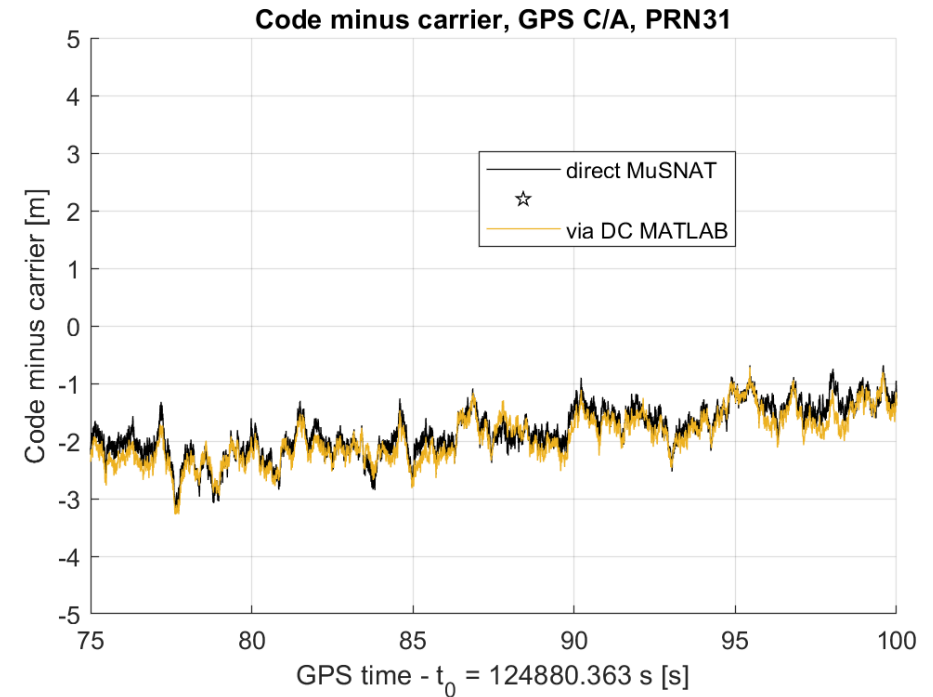
Deep Coupling requires corr. values for NCO_{DC}

sinc interpolation for $NCO_{VT} - NCO_{DC}$

Deep Coupling C++/MATLAB Interface



Validation of sinc-interpolation



Validation of interface with standard (scalar) DLL/PLL are real signals

Other points and Outlook

Further points in the paper

- Performance on high-end PCs/laptops
- IQ/IF conversion
 - To support various input formats
 - Loss-less FFT based conversion
 - Benefits for multipath estimating algorithms (and C/N0)

Outlook

- Bit decimation and band selection on USRP2974 FPGA
- Synchronized IMU/GNSS data collection on USRP 2974 FPGA
- Off-loading of GNSS/LTE/5G correlation to GPU within Deep Coupling Interface (low latency)
- Open-Source policy for MATLAB code (TBC)