

# OPUS Products

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# What is OPUS?

The Online Positioning User Service, OPUS, is a growing set of web-based applications offering access to the tools and resources provided by the NGS. OPUS currently offers:

- Processing applications for individual data files.
- A publishing option for OPUS results.

OPUS can be reached through a link on the NGS home page,  
<http://geodesy.noaa.gov>

Or directly using the URL

<http://geodesy.noaa.gov/OPUS/>

# OPUS data processing applications.

These applications provide completely automated, high accuracy data processing for individual marks. Beautiful in their simplicity, you need only provide:

- Your email address.
- 15 minutes to 48 hours of GPS L1 + L2 data.
- The antenna type.
- The offset to the Antenna Reference Point (ARP).

Then click a button and you'll receive an email containing coordinates for your mark accurate to a few centimeters.



# OPUS: Online Positioning User Service

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### Upload your data file.

Tie your GPS observation to the National Spatial Reference System.

#### What is OPUS? FAQs

\* **Email address** - your solution will be sent here.

\* **Data file** of dual-frequency GPS observations. [sample](#)

\* **Antenna type** - choosing wrong may degrade your accuracy.

 meters above your mark.

\* **Antenna height** of your antenna's reference point.

 to **customize** your solution.

for data > 15 min. < 2 hrs.      for data > 2 hrs. < 48 hrs.

NOAA NATIONAL GEODETIC SURVEY  
 OPUS ONLINE POSITIONING USER SERVICE  
 SOLUTION REPORT

STATION	DATE	TIME	STATUS	PRECISION
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# Why are there two upload buttons?

The strategies needed to successfully fix phase ambiguities to their integer values are different for short and long data sets.

Thus two buttons:

- Rapid-static (15 min to 2 hrs).
- Static (2 hrs to 48 hrs).

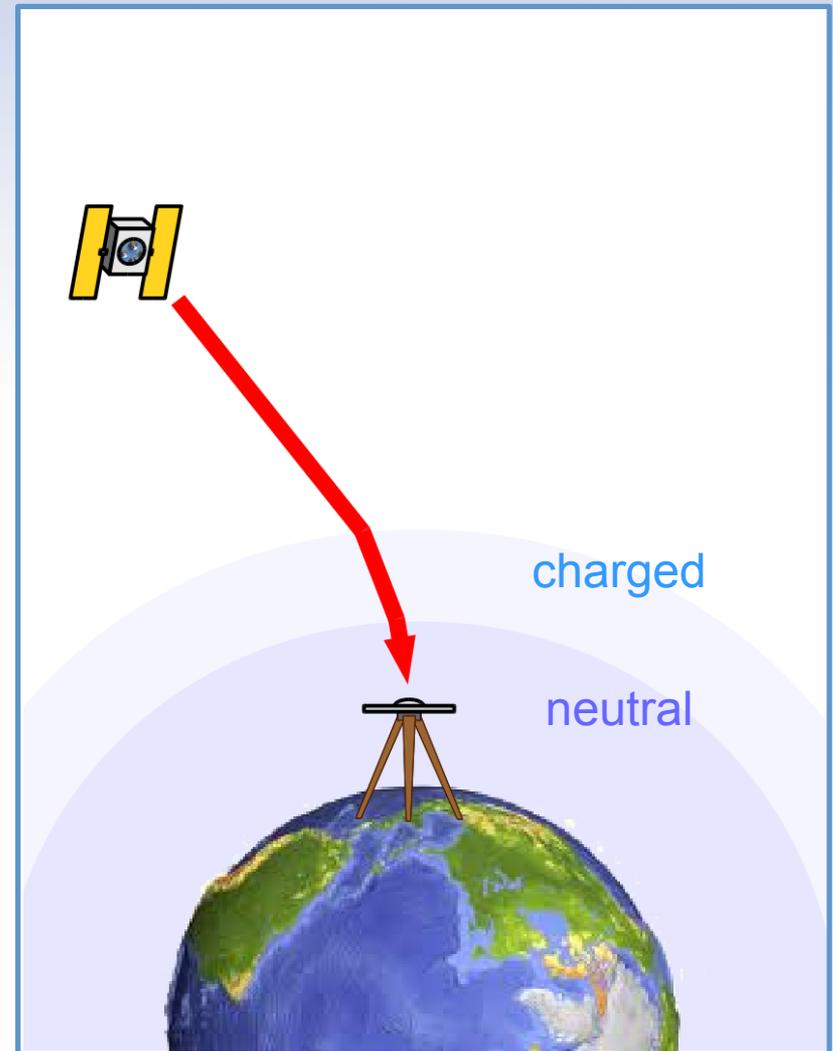
Although the integer fixing strategies are different, the processing quality is not. Both use:

- The best available numerical models.
- Up-to-date CORS data, coordinates and velocities.  
(Some data are available within 1 hr.)
- IGS Satellite Ephemerides.  
(Predicted available immediately.)
- Ion-free, integer-fixed phase.

# Why different strategies to fix integers?

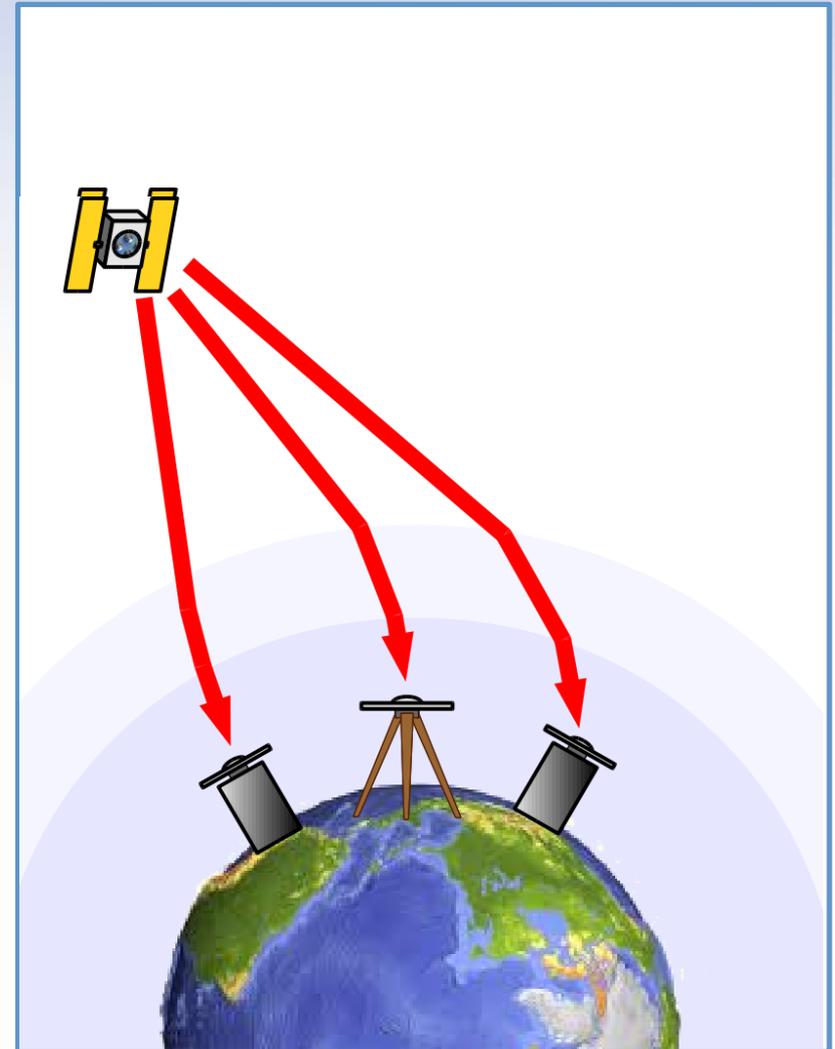
As the GNSS signals travel from the satellite to your antenna, a variety of effects come into play. Most have well determined corrections but several do not. Until we determine these unknown corrections, we can't accurately compute the integers or coordinates. Most significant of these are:

- The charged atmosphere.  
(ionosphere)
- The neutral atmosphere.  
(troposphere)



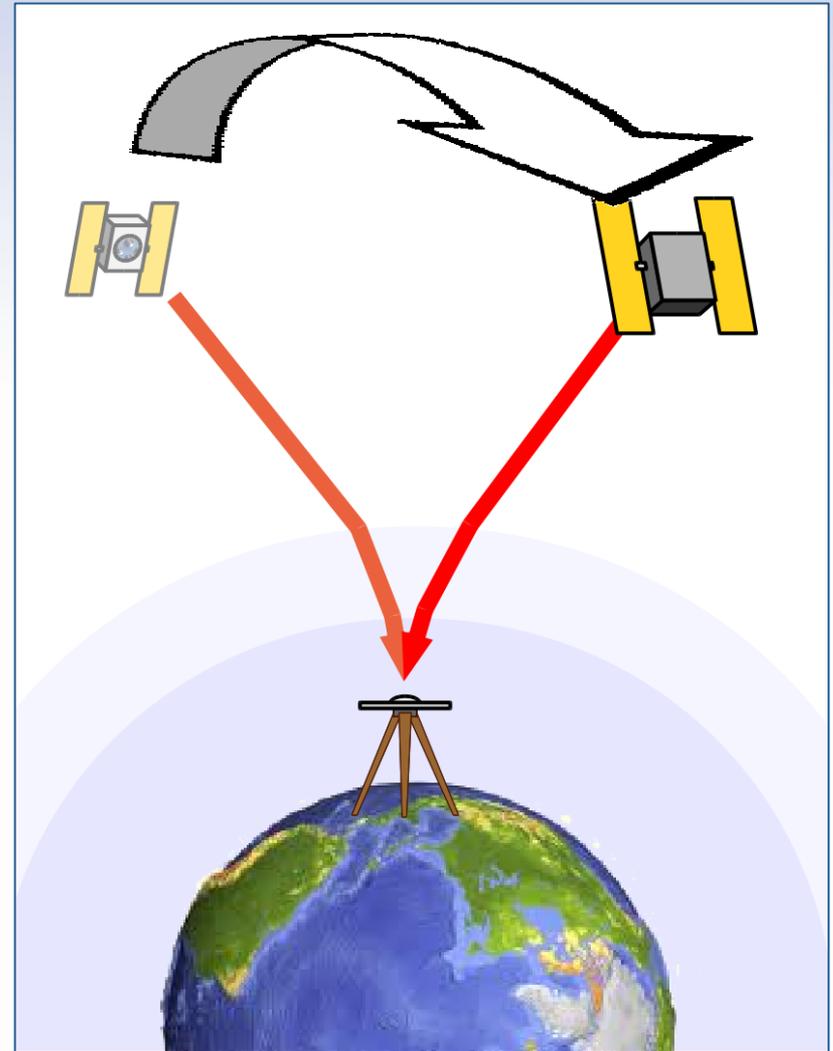
# How do you get those corrections?

OPUS Rapid-Static handles data spans shorter than 2 hrs. It uses additional data from the CORS surrounding your mark to compute charged and neutral atmosphere corrections at the CORS. It then interpolates those values to your mark's location. Using the interpolated corrections, the integers and the coordinates can be confidently determined.



# And for longer data spans?

If you can afford to occupy a mark for a longer time, the change in satellite position relative to your antenna eliminates all but the appropriate set of corrections. This is the strategy of OPUS Static: given 2 hrs of data or more, the atmosphere corrections, the integers and the antenna coordinates can be confidently determined in the processing.



# How good can I do with OPUS?

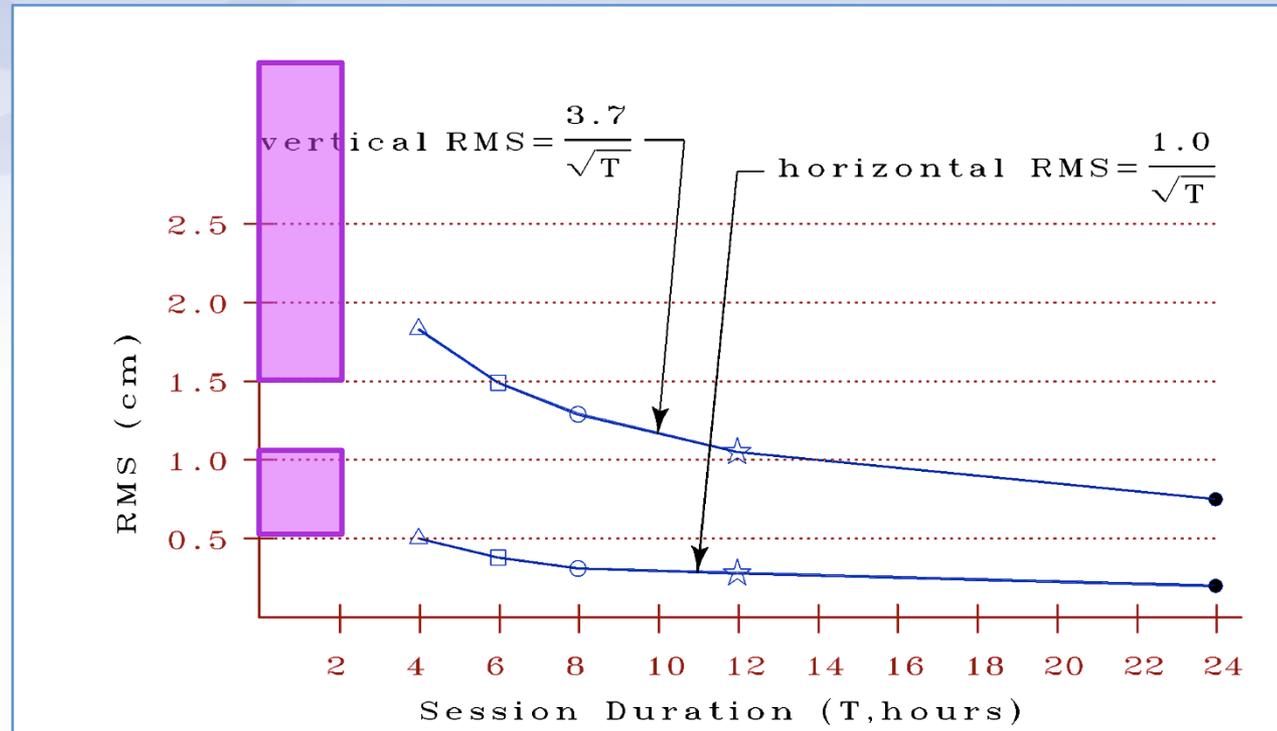
OPUS typically yields accuracies of:

- horizontal: 1 – 2 cm.
- vertical: 2 – 4 cm.

However, there is no guarantee that this stated accuracy will result from any given data set. Confirming the quality of the OPUS solution is your responsibility. That's the “price” for the simplicity of this processing.

# A little more specific rule of thumb.

Several studies of OPUS accuracy versus occupation duration are available. Their results are the basis of the “rule of thumb” shown here. The shaded areas indicate typical accuracies for OPUS Rapid-Static, but these can't really be summarized simply. For an estimate tailored to your circumstances, visit [http://geodesy.noaa.gov/OPUS/Plots/Gmap/OPUSRS\\_sigmap.shtml](http://geodesy.noaa.gov/OPUS/Plots/Gmap/OPUSRS_sigmap.shtml)



Eckl et al., 2001, “Accuracy of GPS-derived relative positions as a function of interstation distance and observing-session duration”, J. of Geod. 75, 633-640. Soler et al., 2009, “Accuracy of Rapid Static Online Positioning User Service (OPUS-RS) Revisited, 13 (2), 119-132.”

# An OPUS Static example.

Here is the basic report from OPUS Static for an sample 2 hr data set.

This is a known mark, so I know that this result is in good agreement with the accepted coordinates (2.1 cm horizontally and 1.6 cm vertically), but more generally, how can you know if this is a *good* solution?

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USER: mark.schenewerk@noaa.gov          DATE: March 31, 2010
RINEX FILE: corv059f.09o                TIME: 19:43:42 UTC

SOFTWARE: page5 0909.08 master40.pl 081023  START: 2009/02/28 05:00:00
EPHEMERIS: igs15206.eph [precise]          STOP: 2009/02/28 06:59:00
NAV FILE: brdc0590.09n                    OBS USED: 5984 / 6181 : 97%
ANT NAME: ASH700936C_M NONE                # FIXED AMB: 31 / 31 : 100%
ARP HEIGHT: 1.521                          OVERALL RMS: 0.009 (m)

REF FRAME: NAD_83(CORS96) (EPOCH:2002.0000)  ITRF00 (EPOCH:2009.1596)

      X:   -2498422.603 (m)  0.011 (m)      -2498423.344 (m)  0.011 (m)
      Y:   -3802821.159 (m)  0.007 (m)      -3802819.941 (m)  0.007 (m)
      Z:    4454736.661 (m)  0.021 (m)      4454736.734 (m)  0.021 (m)

      LAT:  44 35  7.91060  0.016 (m)      44 35  7.92618  0.016 (m)
      E LON: 236 41 43.48046  0.013 (m)      236 41 43.42207  0.013 (m)
      W LON: 123 18 16.51954  0.013 (m)      123 18 16.57793  0.013 (m)
      EL HGT: 106.011 (m)  0.014 (m)          105.627 (m)  0.014 (m)
      ORTHO HGT: 128.542 (m)  0.020 (m) [NAVD88 (Computed using GEOID09)]

                                UTM COORDINATES  STATE PLANE COORDINATES
                                UTM (Zone 10)      SPC (3601 OR N)
Northing (Y) [meters]          4936954.909      105971.559
Easting (X) [meters]           475821.304      2277335.367
Convergence [degrees]          -0.21381419     -1.98897513
Point Scale                     0.99960719      0.99994603
Combined Factor                  0.99959057      0.99992941

US NATIONAL GRID DESIGNATOR: 10TDQ7582136954 (NAD 83)

                                BASE STATIONS USED
PID      DESIGNATION              LATITUDE  LONGITUDE  DISTANCE (m)
DH4503  P376 EOLARESVR_OR2004 CORS ARP  N445628.313 W1230608.100  42648.2
DE6258  MCSO MARION CNTY COOP CORS ARP  N445825.701 W1225720.639  51226.8
DG5352  STAY STAYTON COOP CORS ARP      N444950.530 W1224915.036  47030.9

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# Minimal OPUS Static quality check.

The suggested OPUS Static solution quality measures are:

**OBS USED** > 90%  
**# FIXED AMB** > 50%  
**OVERALL RMS** < 3 cm  
**peak-to-peak** < 5 cm

In this example, we have a 😊 .

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USER: mark.schenewerk@noaa.gov          DATE: March 31, 2010
RINEX FILE: corv059f.09o                TIME: 19:43:42 UTC

SOFTWARE: page5 0909.08 master40.pl 081023  START: 2009/02/28 05:00:00
EPHEMERIS: igs15206.eph [precise]          STOP: 2009/02/28 06:59:00
NAV FILE: brdc0590.09n
ANT NAME: ASH700936C_M NONE
ARP HEIGHT: 1.521

OBS USED: 5984 / 6181 : 97%
# FIXED AMB: 31 / 31 : 100%
OVERALL RMS: 0.009 (m)

REF FRAME: NAD_83(CORS96) (EPOCH:2002.0000)  ITRF00 (EPOCH:2009.1596)

X: -2498422.603 (m) 0.011 (m) -2498423.344 (m) 0.011 (m)
Y: -3802821.159 (m) 0.007 (m) -3802819.941 (m) 0.007 (m)
Z: 4454736.661 (m) 0.021 (m) 4454736.734 (m) 0.021 (m)

LAT: 44 35 7.91060 0.016 (m) 44 35 7.92618 0.016 (m)
E LON: 236 41 43.48046 0.013 (m) 236 41 43.42207 0.013 (m)
W LON: 123 18 16.51954 0.013 (m) 123 18 16.57793 0.013 (m)
EL HGT: 106.011 (m) 0.014 (m) 105.627 (m) 0.014 (m)
ORTHO HGT: 128.542 (m) 0.020 (m) [NAVD88 (Computed using GEOID09)]

UTM COORDINATES STATE PLANE COORDINATES
UTM (Zone 10) SPC (3601 OR N)
Northing (Y) [meters] 4936954.909 105971.559
Easting (X) [meters] 475821.304 2277335.367
Convergence [degrees] -0.21381419 -1.98897513
Point Scale 0.99960719 0.99994603
Combined Factor 0.99959057 0.99992941

US NATIONAL GRID DESIGNATOR: 10TDQ7582136954 (NAD 83)

BASE STATIONS USED
PID DESIGNATION LATITUDE LONGITUDE DISTANCE (m)
DH4503 P376 EOLARESVR_OR2004 CORS ARP N445628.313 W1230608.100 42648.2
DE6258 MCSO MARION CNTY COOP CORS ARP N445825.701 W1225720.639 51226.8
DG5352 STAY STAYTON COOP CORS ARP N444950.530 W1224915.036 47030.9

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<http://geodesy.noaa.gov/OPUS/about.jsp#accuracy>

# An OPUS Rapid-static example.

Here is the basic OPUS Rapid-static report for the same data.

Here again, I now this result agrees with the known coordinates (2.4 cm horizontally and 0.2 cm vertically), but how can you know if this is a *good* solution?

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USER: mark.schenewerk@noaa.gov          DATE: April 01, 2010
RINEX FILE: corv059f.09o                TIME: 16:17:51 UTC

SOFTWARE: rsgps 1.35 RS11.prl 1.57      START: 2009/02/28 05:00:00
EPHEMERIS: igs15206.eph [precise]        STOP: 2009/02/28 06:59:30
NAV FILE: brdc0590.09n                   OBS USED: 5652 / 11169 : 51%
ANT NAME: ASH700936C_M                   QUALITY IND. 48.23/108.85
ARP HEIGHT: 1.521                         NORMALIZED RMS: 0.280

REF FRAME: NAD_83(CORS96) (EPOCH:2002.0000)  ITRF00 (EPOCH:2009.15959)

X: -2498422.589 (m) 0.015 (m) -2498423.330 (m) 0.015 (m)
Y: -3802821.147 (m) 0.012 (m) -3802819.929 (m) 0.012 (m)
Z: 4454736.644 (m) 0.021 (m) 4454736.717 (m) 0.021 (m)

LAT: 44 35 7.91061 0.004 (m) 44 35 7.92619 0.004 (m)
E LON: 236 41 43.48069 0.011 (m) 236 41 43.42230 0.011 (m)
W LON: 123 18 16.51931 0.011 (m) 123 18 16.57770 0.011 (m)
EL HGT: 105.986 (m) 0.026 (m) 105.602 (m) 0.026 (m)
ORTHO HGT: 128.517 (m) 0.030 (m) [NAVD88 (Computed using GEOID09)]

UTM COORDINATES STATE PLANE COORDINATES
UTM (Zone 10) SPC (3601 OR N)
Northing (Y) [meters] 4936954.909 105971.559
Easting (X) [meters] 475821.309 2277335.372
Convergence [degrees] -0.21381414 -1.98897509
Point Scale 0.99960719 0.99994603
Combined Factor 0.99959058 0.99992942

US NATIONAL GRID DESIGNATOR: 10TDQ7582136954 (NAD 83)

BASE STATIONS USED
PID DESIGNATION LATITUDE LONGITUDE DISTANCE (m)
DH4503 P376 EOLARESVR_OR2004 CORS ARP N445628.313 W1230608.100 42648.2
DG5352 STAY STAYTON COOP CORS ARP N444950.530 W1224915.036 47030.9
DE6258 MCSO MARION CNTY COOP CORS ARP N445825.701 W1225720.639 51226.8
DI7529 P367 NEWPRTAIR_OR2007 CORS ARP N443506.870 W1240341.598 60113.5

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# Minimal OPUS Rapid-static quality check.

The suggested OPUS  
Rapid-static solution  
quality measures are:

**OBS USED** > 50%

**QUALITY IND.** > 3

**NORM. RMS**  $\approx$  1

**Uncertainties** < 5 cm

In this case, I only give  
this a 😞.

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USER: mark.schenewerk@noaa.gov          DATE: April 01, 2010
RINEX FILE: corv059f.09o                TIME: 16:17:51 UTC

SOFTWARE: rsgps 1.35 RS11.prl 1.57      START: 2009/02/28 05:00:00
EPHEMERIS: igs15206.eph [precise]        STOP: 2009/02/28 06:50:30
NAV FILE: brdc0590.09n
ANT NAME: ASH700936C_M
ARP HEIGHT: 1.521

OBS USED: 5652 / 11169 : 51%
QUALITY IND. 48.23/108.85
NORMALIZED RMS: 0.280

REF FRAME: NAD_83(CORS96) (EPOCH:2002.0000)      ITRF00 (EPOCH:2009.15959)

X: -2498422.589 (m) 0.015 (m) -2498423.330 (m) 0.015 (m)
Y: -3802821.147 (m) 0.012 (m) -3802819.929 (m) 0.012 (m)
Z: 4454736.644 (m) 0.021 (m) 4454736.717 (m) 0.021 (m)

LAT: 44 35 7.91061 0.004 (m) 44 35 7.92619 0.004 (m)
E LON: 236 41 43.48069 0.011 (m) 236 41 43.42230 0.011 (m)
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```

<http://geodesy.noaa.gov/OPUS/about.jsp#accuracy>

# The OPUS publishing option.

OPUS provides a means to share your results with others. This is completely voluntary and there are some rules (<http://geodesy.noaa.gov/OPUS/about.jsp#publishing>).

Publishing through OPUS is separate from the more conventional method of publishing to the IDB. Eventually, these will be fully reconciled.

## Publish Your OPUS Solutions

Publishing helps maintain local ties to the National Spatial Reference System, and, by linking observations, strengthens the models used to translate between modern and legacy mapping products.

### Step 1. Follow These Requirements

#### Field Procedures

- GPS **data file**  $\geq$  4 hour duration
- quality **mark setting**
- experienced observer
- fixed height tripod recommended
- brace tripod legs with sandbags or chain
- verify **antenna height** and plumb
- see **HARN guidelines**

#### High-Quality OPUS Solution

- $\geq$  70% observations used
- $\geq$  70% ambiguities fixed
- $\leq$  3 cm RMS
- $\leq$  4 cm peak-to-peaks, lat. & lon.
- $\leq$  8 cm peak-to-peak, el. hgt.
- properly identify **antenna type**
- precise or rapid orbits (avail. next day)

#### Mark Attributes

- photos of mark & equipment
- details (name, type, stability, etc.)
- description to aid mark recovery
- preview **mark description form** & **help file**



# How do I publish my results?

Go to the OPUS upload page and fill out the form as you normally would, but before clicking the upload button, click the Options button causing the options to appear.

Select “Yes, publish” for the “Publish my solution” option.

Now click Upload.

C:\Documents and Settings\mark.schenewe\ Browse...

\*Data file of dual-frequency GPS observations. **sample**

ASH700936C\_M D/M element, milled chokerings, -radome

Antenna type - choosing wrong may degrade your accuracy.

1.521 meters above your mark.

Antenna height of your antenna's reference point.

Options to **customize** your solution.

<b>Solution formats</b>	Add details to your report	standard solution
<b>Base stations</b>	Type in 4-char site IDs, or select from map, any CORS you wish to explicitly include or exclude from your solution <b>Sample</b>	Use: Exclude: Look up site IDs  browse map
<b>State plane coordinates</b>	Override your native SPCS zone	let OPUS choose
<b>Geoid Model</b>	Customize your orthometric height model	GEOID09
<b>Contribute to a project</b>	Enter the project identifier provided by your project manager.	
<b>My profile</b>	Customize OPUS defaults for future solutions	
<b>Publish my solution</b>	Share your solutions	Yes, publish

Upload to Rapid-Static Upload to Static

for data > 15 min. < 2 hrs. for data > 2 hrs. < 48 hrs.

# The mark description forms.

The processing will proceed normally, but in this case you'll visit two more forms where you'll describe the mark from which the data were collected.

You can abort at any time and will still receive your solution.

**OPUS: Online Positioning User Service**  
National Geodetic Survey

**Step 3 of 4: Describe new mark.**  
for data file: 2123275u.06o

1. upload ✓    2. identify    **3. describe your mark**    4. publish

\* **Stamping**

\* **Designation**

\* **Type**

\* **Setting**

**Specific setting (optional):**

\* **Description** (describe the mark, witness ties, etc., to enable future recoveries. Max. characters=500)

\* **Close-up photo**

\* **Horizon photo**

# QC your submission and you're done.

Again, you'll always receive your OPUS solution in an email.

If you've completed the mark description forms, you'll receive a separate email giving you a chance to review your description. You can modify the description or even abort at this point, but normally you'll confirm the submission.

There are automated and manual reviews to insure submissions meet the rules so, occasionally, a follow-up email is sent. Normally however, your submission should be available for others to use in a few hours.

# Take a look some published results.

If you are interested in publishing, I encourage you to review the on-line documentation and explore some of the previously published results. Published solutions are available through a link on the OPUS upload page.

## SURVEY DATASHEET (Version 1.0)

**PID:** QE0636  
**Designation:** CORVALLIS MAG STA=226  
**Stamping:** 226 1941  
**Stability:** May hold commonly subject to ground movement  
**Setting:** Set in top of concrete monument  
**Mark Condition:** G  
**Description:** Found as described in IDB for QE0636.  
 Station is on the OSU campus.  
**Observed:** 2010-05-24T15:28:00Z [See Also 2000-03-09](#)  
**Source:** OPUS - page5 1009.28



**Close-up View**

<b>REF_FRAME:</b> NAD_83(CORS96)	<b>EPOCH:</b> 2002.0000	<b>SOURCE:</b> NAVD88 (Computed using GEOID09)	<b>UNITS:</b> m	<b>SET PROFILE</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>
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**LAT:** 44° 33' 58.18935" ± 0.027 m  
**LLN:** -123° 16' 17.92558" ± 0.037 m  
**ELL HT:** 47.433 ± 0.058 m  
**X:** -2497041.502 ± 0.023 m  
**Y:** -3805485.031 ± 0.033 m  
**Z:** 4453162.520 ± 0.060 m  
**ORTHO HT:** 70.098 ± 0.100 m

**UTM 10    SPC 3601(OR.N)**

**NORTHING:** 4934794.408m 103730.548m  
**EASTING:** 478429.190m 2279875.945m  
**CONVERGENCE:** -0.19062354° -1.96561258°  
**POINT SCALE:** 0.99960572 0.99994950  
**COMBINED FACTOR:** 0.99959829 0.99994206

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# CORS COORDINATES

# The world, it is a changin'...

... with apologies to Bob Dylan.

**Physically:** Every place is in motion. Some places move predictably, some chaotically and some dynamically respond to their environment.

**Technically:** Our knowledge of these and other phenomena is improving. As a result, old hardware is improved and new hardware built. Likewise, old software is improved and new software is developed.

**Logistically:** Even excluding these changes, our tools age: GNSS satellites and sites come and go.

# Enough philosophy already!

The last comprehensive CORS adjustment was completed more than a decade ago. In this digital age, that makes it old tech. Nevertheless, the coordinates were pretty good.

However, in many cases, the velocities were poor. Add a growing number of new CORS with modelled rather than measured velocities and an increasingly untenable circumstance was developing.

# Welcome IGS08 and NAD 83(2011)!

The International GNSS Service (IGS) has completed a multi-year solution of all suitable GNSS sites. Known as the IGS08 reference frame, this became operational in April 2011.

Rebischung, Schmid and Ray, 2011, “[IGSMail-6354] Upcoming switch to IGS08/igs08.atx”, <http://igscb.jpl.nasa.gov/pipermail/igsmail/2011/006346.html>.

In turn, the NGS has built upon its contribution to the IGS08 by completing an adjustment of all U.S. CORS. Although, strictly speaking, not part of the IGS08 reference frame, these NGS coordinates are consistent with and will be labelled IGS08.

This adjustment was then rotated to match the NAD 83 system. This last product will be designated the NAD 83(2011). CORS and OPUS will make the IGS08 and NAD 83(2011) operational in July 2011. (<http://beta.ngs.noaa.gov/myear/>)

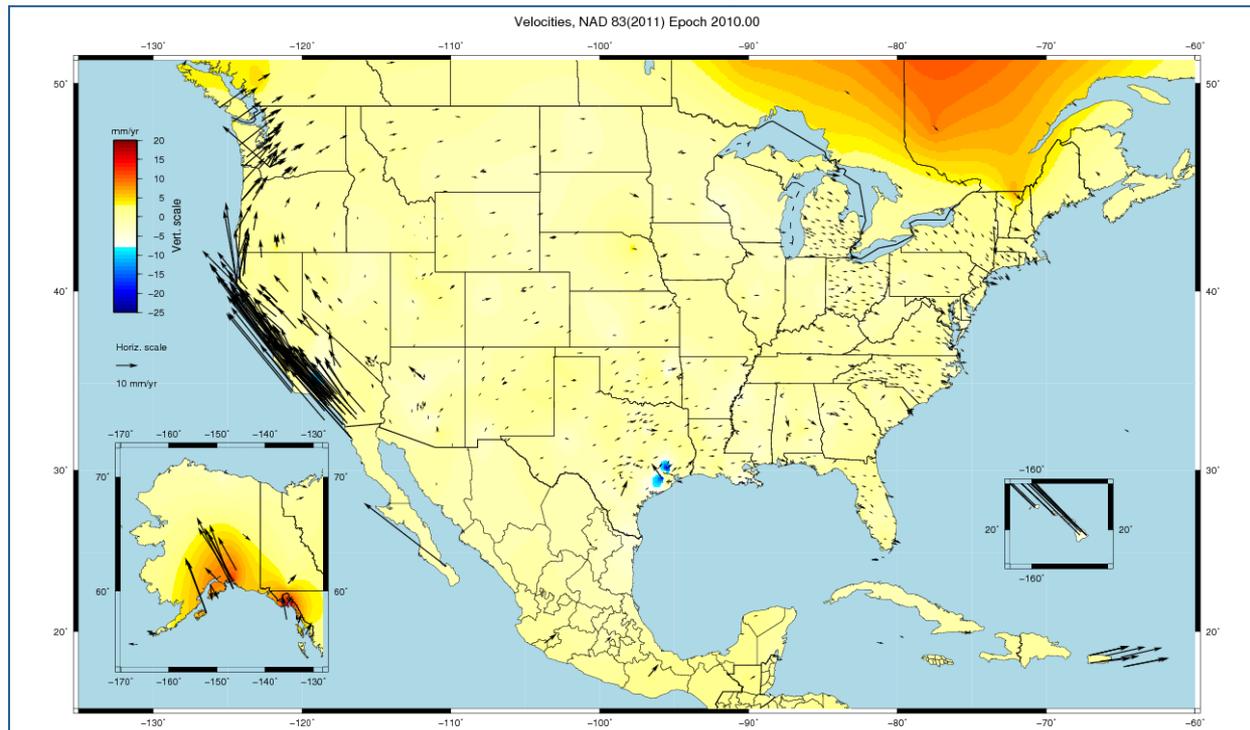
# Why all the hubbub?

- This is the most consistent (internally and with other space geodesy techniques) adjustment to date.
- Data from 1997 – 2010.5 were included.
- All recognized discontinuities were accounted for.
- Absolute antenna models were used.
- State of the art geophysical models were used.
- The reference epoch for IGS08 coordinates is 2005.0 and 2010.0 for the NAD 83(2011).
- The plan is to have this reference frame evolve via on-going processing and periodic readjustments.

Put this all together and you have better coordinates, velocities and uncertainties now and into the future.

# What's this mean for me?

- Truthfully, probably some needless anxiety.
- Better coordinates, velocities and uncertainties.  
In particular, better vertical velocities.
- Improved results from OPUS.
- Less concern when combining old with new results.



# OPUS-NET

# What is OPUS-Net?

OPUS-Net *looks like* the other OPUS processing applications.

The four “beautifully simple” questions and options remain.

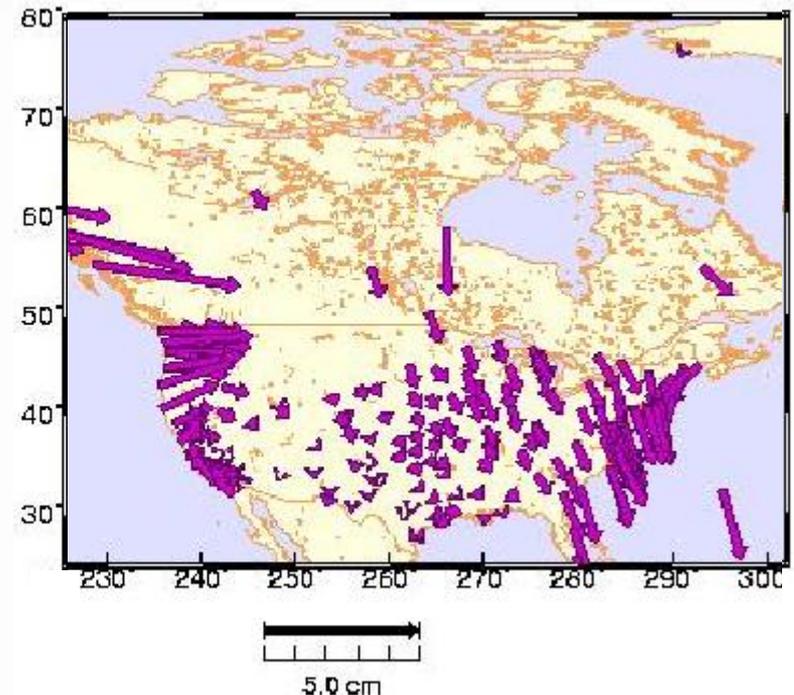
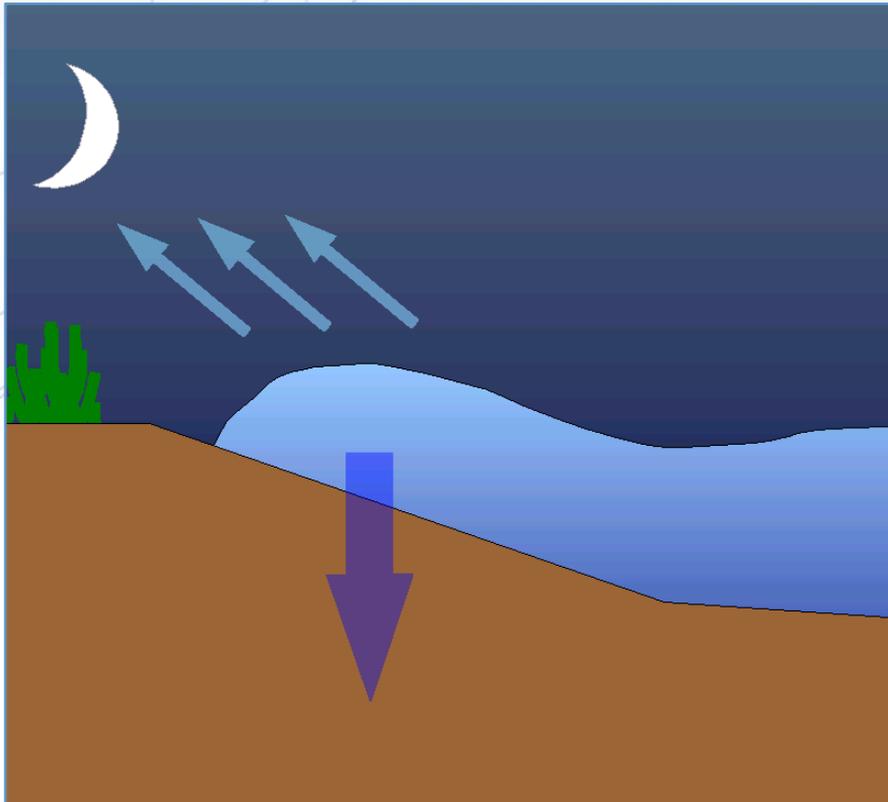
The difference is an enhanced processing strategy:

- Includes ocean-tide loading model.
- Uses a combination of near and distant CORS.
- Performs a network solution which includes your data.

OPUS-Net is being tested now. A BETA version should be available before the end of 2011.

# What's ocean-tide loading?

As the tide swells and ebbs, the changing weight of water pressing on the Earth's crust causes it to deform in sympathy with the tide. This effect can be as large as several centimeters.



# Why use near and distant CORS?

Although it may seem counter-intuitive, including distant CORS enables better neutral atmosphere corrections. As we've discussed, having these makes everything else better.

More CORS minimizes the effects of missing data from and changes at the CORS used in your solution.

Furthermore, this allows OPUS-Net to emphasize "quality" as well as "quantity." The best understood CORS in North America (and the world) will always be used in the processing.

# And the network solution?

OPUS Static processes each baseline independently from the others. The coordinates you receive in your OPUS solution report are the mean and peak-to-peak scatter computed from these independent solutions.

Network solutions combine all data in a common solution. This “let the data speak” meaning the strengths and weaknesses inherent in the data are distributed more realistically. The results are more robust coordinates and more realistic uncertainties.

# Do we *really* need another OPUS flavor?

Probably yes.

Weston and Ray have found that OPUS-Net reduces the scatter in the north and east components with no degradation in the height component. Moreover, the resulting coordinates agree better with other sources such as the IGS combinations.

Weston and Ray, "Test of the Use of Regional Networks for OPUS Processing", 2010, EGU General Assembly 2010, Geophysical Research Abstracts.

# OPUS-PROJECTS

# What Is OPUS-Projects?

OPUS-Projects gives users web-based access to simple visualization, management and processing tools for multiple sites and multiple occupations. These tools include:

- The advantages of data uploading through OPUS.
- Data visualization and management aids.
- Enhanced data processing using the PAGES suite.
- Solution visualization aids.

Although still in BETA development, OPUS-Projects is available now. The next training workshop is in San Diego in July with more workshops to come.

# What exactly does OPUS-Projects do?

Once a project is created, field crews can upload their data to the project using OPUS. The field crews will still receive their OPUS reports, but so will the project manager helping him or her to better oversee the project while the data are taken.

Results From ALL OPUS SOLUTIONS

**Controls**

Preferences

Design

Serfil

Solutions

Show File

Send Email

Set up Adjustment

Review and Publish

Delete Project

**MARKS:** ● meet preferences ● exceed preferences ● not included ● have error

**CORS:** ● meet preferences ● exceed preferences ● not included

Baselines: —

Map Satellite Terrain

**LEGEND MARKS**

- 2084
- 2126
- 2137
- 2139
- gait

**LEGEND CORS**

- covg
- dstr
- eng1
- hamm
- msht
- mssc

MARKS	Sessions & Solutions							MARKS	
	2006-274 A	2006-274 B	2006-275 A	2006-275 B	2006-276 A	2006-276 B	2006-277 A		network final
2084	<span style="color: green;">●</span>	<span style="color: green;">●</span>	<span style="color: green;">●</span>						2084
2126	<span style="color: orange;">●</span>	<span style="color: green;">●</span>	<span style="color: green;">●</span>	<span style="color: orange;">●</span>	<span style="color: orange;">●</span>			<span style="color: orange;">●</span>	2126
2137	<span style="color: green;">●</span>			<span style="color: orange;">●</span>	<span style="color: orange;">●</span>			<span style="color: orange;">●</span>	2137
2139				<span style="color: orange;">●</span>	2139				
gait				<span style="color: orange;">●</span>	gait				

# Tell me more.

Furthermore, the project manager can immediately begin working with the data: review reports, edit mark descriptions, add CORS data and process "sessions", i.e. collections of project data that overlap in time.

Session: 2006-275-B Results From: Session Solution

Controls: Manager's Page, Show File, Send Email, Set up Processing

MARKS: meet preferences, exceed preferences, not included, have error  
 CORS: meet preferences, exceed preferences, not included

Baselines: + Marks Marks&CORS -

Map Satellite Terrain

LEGEND MARKS: 2126, 2137, 2139, gait

Add MARKS

CORS: covg, dstr, eng1, hamm, msht, mssc

Add CORS

Solution Quality Indicators

MARKS	ANTENNA	HEIGHT (m)	EPH TYPE	OBS (%)	FIXED (%)	RMS (m)	LAT (m)	LON (m)	HGT (m)	
2126	TRM41249.00	NONE	2.000	precise	98.4	100.0	0.012	0.003	0.003	0.018
2137	TRM55971.00	NONE	1.500	precise	89.7	85.0	0.017	0.003	0.003	0.018
2139	TRM55971.00	NONE	2.000	precise	81.8	95.9	0.018	0.002	0.002	0.018
gait	TRM55971.00	NONE	2.000	precise	92.2	88.9	0.014	0.002	0.002	0.015
PREFERENCES:			Best Available	≥80.0	≥80.0	≤0.025	≤0.030	≤0.030	≤0.060	

Data Availability

2006-10-02T20:00:00 GPST to 2006-10-03T01:20:00 GPST in 10 minute cells

MARKS	2006-10-02										2006-10-03																		
	20	21	22	23	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07																	
2126	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	8	8	7	7	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	7	7	6	0	
2137	0	0	7	7	8	7	8	7	8	7	8	8	8	8	8	7	8	8	7	7	7	6	6	6	7	7	7	6	
2139	0	7	7	7	8	7	7	8	8	9	9	9	9	9	8	8	7	8	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	7	6	6	7
gait	0	0	7	7	8	8	7	8	8	9	9	9	9	8	8	7	8	8	7	7	6	6	6	6	7	7	6	6	

# What about publishing?

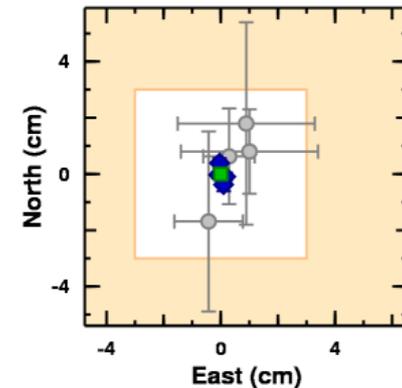
Once the sessions are processed, a network adjustment can be performed giving a self-consistent solution for all marks and all occupations. If desired, this result can be published to OPUS.

**MARK 2126 Plotted Solution Results From All Sources**

Shaded (orange) areas in the plots are outside the project's preferences. ■ are network solutions. ◆ are session solutions. ● are OPUS solutions.

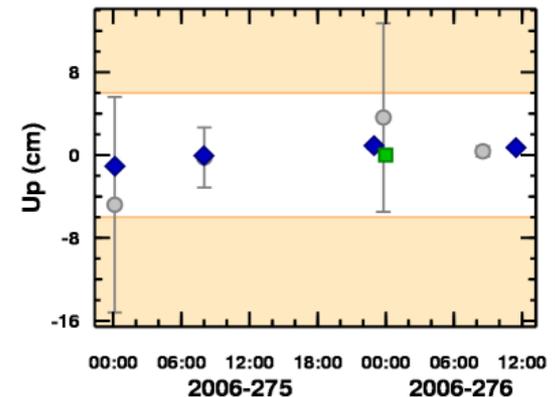
■ NETWORK SOLUTION	EAST (cm)	NORTH (cm)
network-final	0.0 ±0.0	0.0 ±0.1
◆ SESSION SOLUTION	EAST (cm)	NORTH (cm)
2006-274-A	-0.1 ±0.0	0.0 ±0.1
2006-275-A	0.2 ±0.0	-0.1 ±0.1
2006-275-B	0.1 ±0.1	-0.4 ±0.2
2006-276-A	0.0 ±0.0	0.4 ±0.2
● OPUS SOLUTION	EAST (cm)	NORTH (cm)
2126274w.06o	1.0 ±2.4	0.8 ±1.5
2126275g.06o	0.3 ±0.9	0.6 ±1.7
2126275w.06o	-0.4 ±1.2	-1.7 ±3.2
2126276g.06o	0.9 ±2.4	1.8 ±3.6

The (0, 0) point represents W089:48:34.33165 by N30:58:00.79986.



■ NETWORK SOLUTION	EPOCH	UP (cm)
network-final	2006-275T23:59:45 GPST	0.0 ±0.1
◆ SESSION SOLUTION	EPOCH	UP (cm)
2006-274-A	2006-275T00:08:44 GPST	-1.1 ±0.2
2006-275-A	2006-275T07:59:02 GPST	-0.1 ±0.2
2006-275-B	2006-275T22:58:02 GPST	0.9 ±0.3
2006-276-A	2006-276T11:27:49 GPST	0.7 ±0.2
● OPUS SOLUTION	EPOCH	UP (cm)
2126274w.06o	2006-275T00:07:55 GPST	-4.8 ±10.4
2126275g.06o	2006-275T08:00:57 GPST	-0.2 ±2.9
2126275w.06o	2006-275T23:47:02 GPST	3.6 ±9.1
2126276g.06o	2006-276T08:32:38 GPST	0.4 ±0.5

The UP 0 point represents 14.03368 m.



■ NETWORK SOLUTION	EPOCH	EAST (cm)
network-final	2006-275T23:59:45 GPST	0.0 ±0.0
◆ SESSION SOLUTION	EPOCH	EAST (cm)
2006-274-A	2006-275T00:08:44 GPST	-0.1 ±0.0
2006-275-A	2006-275T07:59:02 GPST	0.2 ±0.0



# Do we *really* need another OPUS flavor?

The practical answer is probably yes.

The NGS and other groups have a history of project's whose specifications can't be entirely supported by OPUS.

The academic answer is probably yes.

As good as OPUS does, and that is very good, sacrificing simplicity for flexibility can improve results.

# OPUS Products

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