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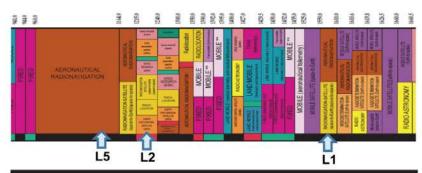
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**Beyond Spectrum Protection** 





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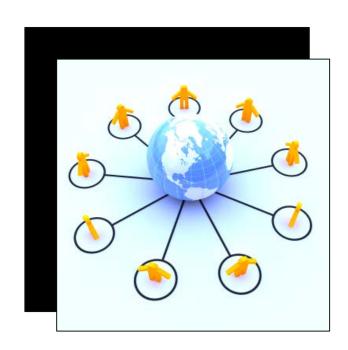
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#### Who's In the Audience?



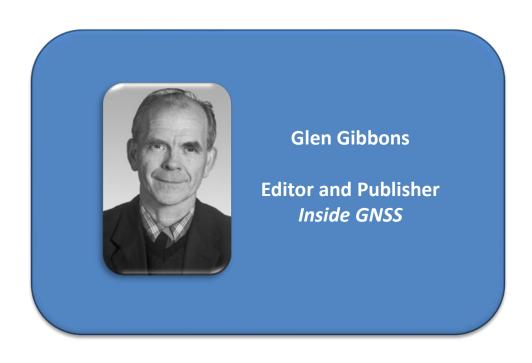
A diverse audience of over 375 professionals registered from 43 countries, 28 states and provinces representing the following roles:

- 22% GNSS End User
- **22%** GNSS Equipment Manufacturer
- 20% Government/Policy Maker
- 19% Product / Application Designer
- 17% System Integrator



### **Welcome from Inside GNSS**











# **GNSS & Space Weather:**Sources, Characteristics and Mitigation of Effects





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#### Poll #1



My understanding is that GNSS receiver standards and certification are primarily aimed at ensuring that:

- 1. GNSS receivers work as intended when used
- 2. Wireless devices don't interfere with GNSS
- 3. All of the above



#### **Featured Presenters – Panel Intro**





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# **GPS Receiver Operation**

Spectrum Access & Performance Certification

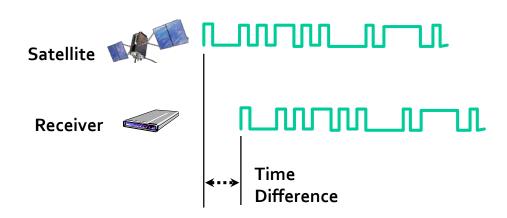
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# Spectrum Realities & Obligations (1/2)

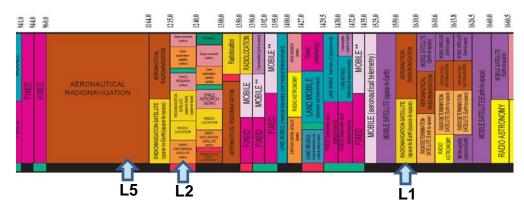


- Spectrum Regulators (FCC & NTIA)
  - Acknowledge GPS (GNSS) signal strength limitations
    - ~ -150 to -160 dB (below noise floor at ~ -145 dB)
  - Acknowledge unique GPS (GNSS) signal processing requirements
    - Navigation message bit transitions vital to precision
    - Digital communications focuses on bit detection, not on timing
    - Digital navigation focuses on bit transitions (bit sequence already known)



# Spectrum Realities & Obligations (2/2)





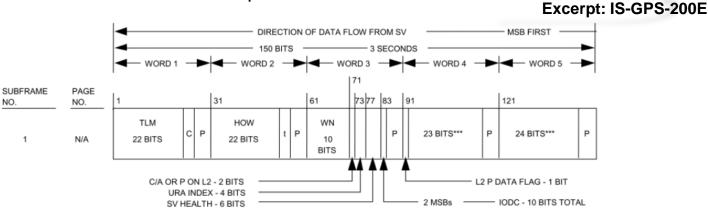
#### Spectrum Users (GPS Receivers)

- Live within RNSS bandwidth allocations
  - L1 GPS ~ 1560 to1590 MHz (L1 RNSS = 1559 to 1610 MHz)
- Anticipate pressures for spectrum access in adjacent bands
  - Decreasing assurance of "quiet neighborhood"
  - Plan to use additional GPS signals for multi-frequency benefits
- Accept that GPS cannot be made "bulletproof" to interference
  - GPS performance include consideration of augmentations & complements (Integrated PNT solutions) in the future

## **GPS Specifications & Standards**



- GPS Interface Specifications (IS) available at GPS.gov
  - IS-GPS-200E (Receiver interface requirements for L1 & L2)
    - C/A-code, P(Y)-Code, L2C-Code
  - IS-GPS-705A (Receiver interface requirements for L5)
  - IS-GPS-800A (Receiver interface requirements for L1C)

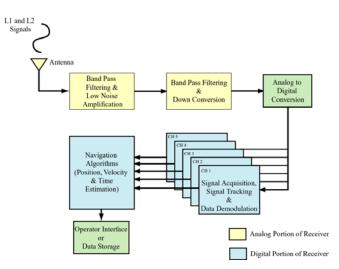


- GPS Receiver Performance Standards/Criteria
  - By application (i.e., aviation, maritime, timing/synchronization, etc.)
  - Defined by regulators and applications standards bodies

#### **GPS Receiver Performance Elements**



- Signal reception
  - Antenna, RF front end parameters (includes filtering)
- Signal demodulation/down-conversion
  - Code/carrier tracking, data detection (phase changes)
     & data demodulation read navigation message
- Signal processing
  - Calculate navigation solution (Position, Velocity, Time)
- Applications
  - Qualitative requirements affect quantitative receiver design decisions



# Remarks on "GNSS Performance Standards and Certification" from an Aviation Perspective

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#### **GNSS Aviation Standards - Overview**



- International
  - GNSS Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs) first adopted by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) in 2001
  - Subsequently amended 11 times
- Domestic
  - FAA responsible for civil avionics certification per CFR Title 14
  - Technical Standard Orders (TSOs) one popular certification path
- Current standards are for L1-only avionics



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### **FAA GNSS Technical Standard Orders**

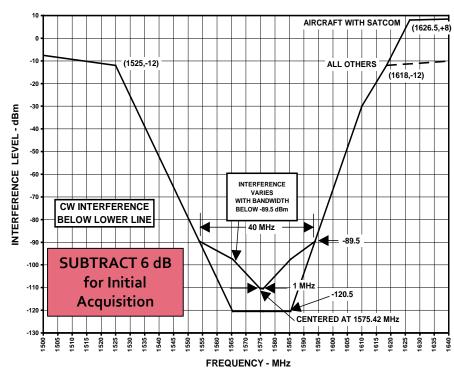


Equipment	TSO	Invoked RTCA Document	Date First Published	Status
Stand-alone GPS	TSO-C129	DO-208	1992	Cancelled
Stand-alone GPS	TSO-C196	DO-316	2009	Active
Antennas	TSO-C144	DO-228	1998	Active
Antennas	TSO-C190	DO-301	2007	Active
GPS/Satellite-based Augmentation System (SBAS)	TSO-C145	DO-229	1998	Active
GPS/SBAS	TSO-C146	DO-229	1998	Active
GPS/Ground-based Augmentation System (GBAS)	TSO-C161	DO-253	2003	Active

# RTCA Minimum Operational Performance Standards (MOPS)



- Each typically hundreds of pages
- ~100's of requirements
  - Minimum functionality and performance
  - Environmental conditions
- Test procedures



Interference Requirements Span 1315 – 2000 MHz

# **GNSS Receiver Standards and Certification for Wireless Devices**



GNSS Performance Standards & Certification: Beyond Spectrum Protection Ronald Borsato – Principle Architect Spirent Communications

# Who's Who In GNSS Conformance Testing for Wireless?



- Standards Development Organizations:
  - **3GPP**: 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Partnership Project
    - WCDMA, GSM and LTE Conformance Tests
  - **3GPP2:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Partnership Project 2
    - CDMA Conformance Tests
- Certification Bodies
  - GCF: Global Certification Forum
  - PTCRB: PCS Type Certification and Review Board
  - CCF: CDMA Certification Forum
  - CTIA: The Wireless Association
    - Test Plan for Wireless Device Over-the-Air Performance











#### **A-GNSS Performance Standards**



#### **WCDMA**

3GPPTS 34.171 – A-GPS RF minimum performance

3GPPTS 34.172 – A-GNSS RF minimum performance (GPS+GLONASS)

#### **GSM**

3GPPTS 51.010 - 70.11 - A-GPS Minimum Performance

3GPPTS 51.010 - 70.16 - A-GNSS Minimum Performance

#### LTE/WCDMA

3GPPTS 37.571-1 – LTE/WCDMA A-GNSS Minimum Performance

#### **CDMA**

3GPP2 C.Soo36-o v2.o – A-GPS RF Minimum Performance

3GPP2 C.Soo36-A – A-GNSS RF Minimum Performance

A-GPS OTA Test: CTIA Test Plan for Wireless Device Over-the-Air Performance

# **A-GNSS Minimum Performance Testing**

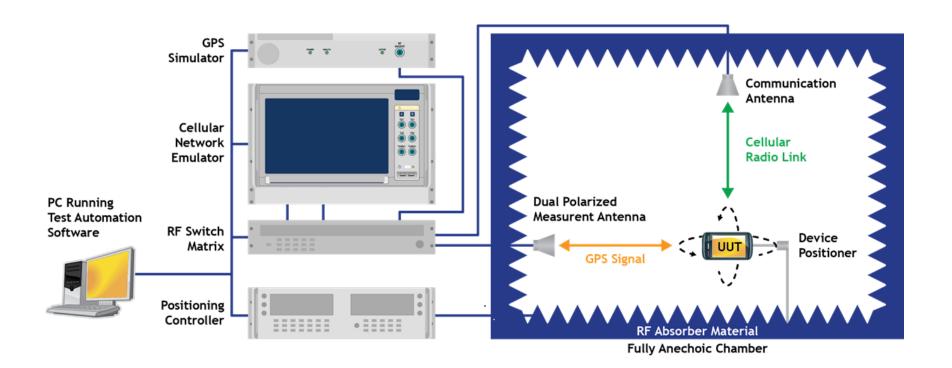


- A-GPS, A-GPS+A-GLONASS and A-GLONASS Operation
- UE-based and UE-Assisted Positioning Modes
- A-GNSS Receiver Performance Tests
  - Nominal Accuracy
  - Sensitivity
  - Multipath
  - Dynamic Range
  - Moving scenario
- A-GNSS Aspects Only
  - No Additional Interferers other than Supporting Wireless Radio Bearer

## **A-GPS Over-the-Air Testing**



#### Typical Anechoic Chamber A-GPS OTA Test System



#### **A-GPS Over-the-Air Testing**



- CTIA A-GPS OTA test procedure:
  - Antenna pattern
    - Use UE SV C/N<sub>o</sub> measurements from GPS Accuracy test
    - Two Polarizations in 30° Increments in Theta (Θ) and Phi (Φ)
  - Linearization
    - Correct UE SV C/N<sub>o</sub> measurements with a Known Signal Source
  - Radiated sensitivity (EIS<sub>ref</sub>)
    - Perform GPS Sensitivity Search at Pattern Peak (Θ = 0° to 90°)
    - Use same GPS Sensitivity test case (satellite scenario, performance metrics, etc.) as Industry Standard
    - Provides Traceability for OTA Test to Conducted Test

## **A-GPS Over-the-Air Testing**



- CTIA A-GPS OTA test procedure (cont):
  - Calculation of Spatially Averaged Quantities
    - Total Isotropic Sensitivity (TIS)
    - Upper Hemisphere Isotropic Sensitivity (UHIS)
    - Partial Isotropic GPS Sensitivity (PIGS) calculation

$$TIS \cong \frac{2NM}{\pi \sum\limits_{i=1}^{N-1}\sum\limits_{j=0}^{M-1} \left[\frac{1}{EIS_{\theta}\left(\theta_{i},\phi_{j}\right)} + \frac{1}{EIS_{\theta}\left(\theta_{i},\phi_{j}\right)}\right] \sin(\theta_{i})}$$

- Intermediate channel degradation
  - Evaluate Impact on GPS Performance at Wireless Device Radio Operating Frequencies
  - Compare Performance vs. Reference Frequencies Used for Full OTA Measurement



# **Ask the Experts – Part 1**



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#### Poll #2



Standards and certification are important so that I don't have to worry about performance details. (Select one)

- 1) Agree
- 2) Disagree

# Part II

GNSS Performance Standards & Certification: Beyond Spectrum Protection

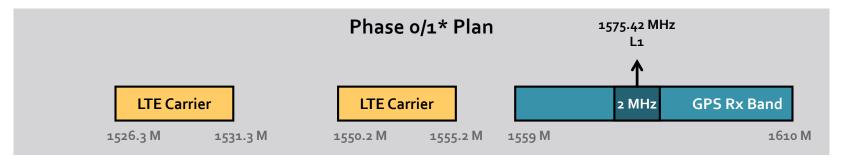


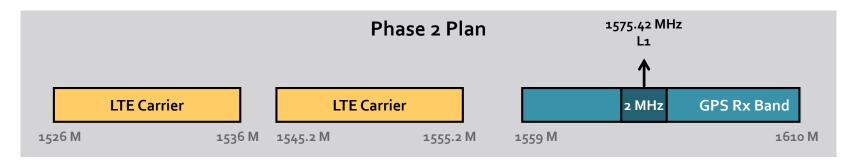
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# Lessons Learned and Specific Use Cases - Lightsquared



Original Lightsquared Spectrum Deployment Plans





<sup>\*</sup> Only upper 5-MHz LTE carrier is used in Phase-o. both 5-MHz carriers are used in Phase-1.

Lightsquared Downlink LTE L-Band and GPS Band Source: Lightsquared, 3GPP R4-110470, January 2011

# Lessons Learned and Specific Use Cases - Lightsquared

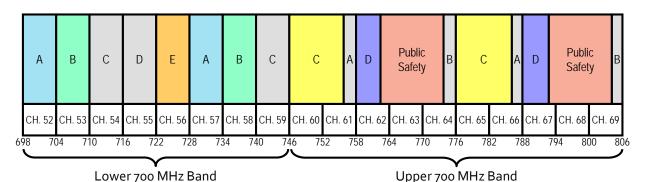


- Cellular TWG Developed Test Plan to Evaluate GPS Performance Impact of LTE Downlink Signals
  - Receiver Blocking and Intermodulation Test Scenarios
  - Utilized Realistic Interferers using Signal Generators
    - Frequency Allocations
      - Phase 1, Phase 2, and Lower 10 MHz Only
    - Modulation Coding Schemes (LTE DL OFDM)
    - Interferer Signal Levels Varied to Determine Failure Point
- Test Cases Based on Existing Industry A-GPS Performance Standards
  - Impact Traceable to Defined Performance Criteria
- Cellular TWG Concluded that Lower 10 MHz did not Cause Harmful Interference to Cellular A-GPS Operations

## Lessons Learned and Specific Use Cases — LTE Band 13



- LTE Band 13 Transmit Band 2<sup>nd</sup> Harmonic
  - UE Transmit Configuration (Upper C Block)
    - Carrier Frequency = 781 MHz
    - RF Channel BW = 10MHz (Actual: 50 RB \* 180 kHz = 9 MHz)
  - Resource Allocation at Bandedge
    - Last Allocated Resource Extends to 786.5 MHz
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Harmonic Falls at 1573 MHz
    - Any Out of Band Emissions Would Spill Over to GPS
  - Highlights the Need to Evaluate GPS Receive Performance with Specific Transmit Configurations



# **Possible Future GNSS Performance Standards**



- Interference Testing
  - Receiver Blocking and Intermodulation Tests
  - Utilize Realistic Interferers
    - Frequency Allocations
    - Modulation Coding Schemes
    - Interference Signal Levels
- Expanding OTA Testing to Include Additional Interference Sources
  - Multi-Radio Operation within Devices
- Applying A-GNSS Performance Testing Concepts in Other GNSS Market Segments
- Any Additions would Require Necessary Work Items in the Representative Standards and Certification Bodies

# Part II

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# Receiver Standards for Spectrum Efficiency — An Abbreviated History

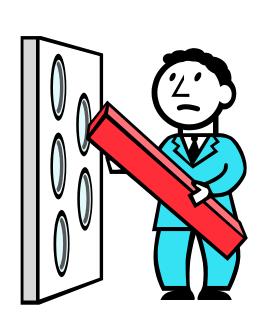


- March 2003 FCC Notice of Inquiry
- February 2012 LightSquared Request (to FCC) for Initiation of Proceedings
- July 2012 PCAST report
- November 2012 House "Role of Receivers in a Spectrum Scarce World" hearing
- Feb 2013 GAO report due per H.R. 3630

#### **Observations**



- Receiver standards are onerous
  - Not recommended for all
- Existence of standards is not sufficient to avoid compatibility issues
  - E.g., consider the aviation community's experience with LightSquared
- Not a reasonable expectation that all GNSS receivers can conform to one interference mask
  - Greatly-varied capabilities
  - Greatly-varied size, weight, power, and cost



## **RF Filter Size Comparison**



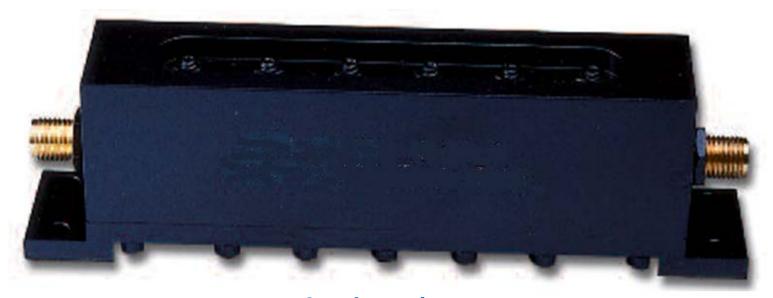








SAW BAW 3-pole ceramic U.S. Quarter  $(1.4 \times 1.2 \times 0.5 \text{ mm}^3)$   $(3.3 \times 1.6 \times 0.8 \text{ mm}^3)$   $(20 \times 14 \times 7 \text{ mm}^3)$   $(24 \text{ mm} \times 1.8 \text{ mm})$ 



6-pole cavity  $(178 \times 66 \times 31 \text{ mm}^3)$ 

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# **Notional Receiver Certification Categories**



#### Technical Certification

- Receiver engineering design IAW relevant GPS Interface Specification(s)
- Operation within GPS assigned spectrum
- Calculation of navigation solution

#### Performance Certification

- Receiver data processing IAW application performance requirements
- Resiliency in the presence of interference
- Security Certification (if applicable)
  - Receiver processing of security information in navigation message
  - Protection of security features from unauthorized access

## **Issues Affecting Certification (1/2)**



#### Certification scope

- Technical parameters for GPS receivers defined in IS
- Performance parameters defined by application category
- Consensus on common certification criteria?
  - Integrated System v Component level
  - Single frequency v multi-frequency

# **Issues Affecting Certification (2/2)**



#### Process models

- Government conducted/government oversight
  - Safety certification for aviation receivers
    - Approvals for design/manufacture (IAW FAA Orders)
  - DoD GPS receiver certification (military receivers only)
    - Planning stages at present
    - Process may be applicable to civil problem (separate funding)
- Industry conducted
  - Independent laboratory (U/L model)
  - Individual self-certification (maritime compliance w/ IMO standards)
  - Industry associations set application standards

## **Future Considerations (1/2)**



- Role of Government (Federal Rulemaking Agencies, FCC & NTIA)
  - Establish consistent, stable policies on PNT services
  - Conduct rulemaking in the open, solicit industry input
  - Establish performance parameters for critical infrastructure & safety applications
  - Take advantage of multiple civil signals for interference mitigation
  - Take account of unique GPS/GNSS reception & processing requirements

## **Future Considerations (2/2)**



- Role of Industry (GPS/GNSS receiver manufacturers)
  - Develop consensus on receiver parameters
    - Application based framework
    - Operation within RNSS spectrum allocations
    - Take advantage of multiple frequencies
    - GPS Industry Council facilitation?
  - Be proactive rather than reactive with government regulators
    - Constantly work to ensure government regulators are taking account of the special nature of GPS signals (from slide 1) in their rulemaking actions

#### Poll #3



Testing to a standard would reduce test time development and save development costs.

- 1) Agree
- 2) Disagree

#### **Next Steps**



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