Very Crowded Primary GNSS Frequency Band



The 1 dB Criterion:

Non-GNSS Transmitters should not raise the effective noise floor more than 1 dB (12.2%)

- Well established National and International Standard (Just reaffirmed internationally)
- Avoids having to test every application/operation
- Susceptibility varies depending on Precision of receiver - Generally Precision is (1/Bandwidth) for Position/timing applications
- Susceptibility of newer GNSS signal receivers must be included (e.g. consider new Qualcom chip)
- Must consider multiple transmitters, spacing, antenna patterns, and "Space Loss"



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ICD Min. Power

Some receivers have little acquisition margin...



Typical Urban Antenna Power Pattern

Plotted around 360 degrees of Azimuth



In urban areas the differences can be a factor of 10 (i.e. 10dB) or more



Real Data - One Azimuth in Las Vegas



Summary: Why are there Different Views of Propagation* Models?

- Propagation in the real world:
 - Does not fall off as 1/r² (free-space) would suggest
 - There are peaks and valleys reflecting reinforcing reflections or attenuation - and they change with rain, passing trucks and urban construction
- As an *Assured Communications System*
 - Must insure connectivity use largest attenuation
 - Tend to model as "worst case" (Perhaps the 5 percentile low "tail")

As <u>Interference to a Navigation Signal</u>

- Must consider "least attenuation" (An envelope of the highest signal)
- In Urban areas signal can be larger than "free-space", 1/r², model due to reflections (multipath)

* A <u>Propagation Model</u> is a mathematical description of how the transmitted Radio Signal varies with distance and angle to the transmitter

DOT measurement of 10 MHz Bounding Masks Most Sensitive GPS L1 C/A Receivers



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Preliminary Results

Impact of Single 12.2 dBW Tower on High Precision Receivers





So What?

<u>Urban Applications at Risk</u>



Taxiway and Runway Navigation



Control and Monitoring of UAVs – Delivery and Reconnaissance



Emergency Vehicle Control and Monitoring Plus 3D victim location



Precision control of Construction Vehicles

Also Possibly in the interference pattern



GNSS Precision Survey in construction of High-Rise Buildings



Flying Car/Robotic Taxi





GNSS Track Safety Discernment



Wish 3: FCC: Does not approve repurposing of Adjacent Spectrum until proposal passes realistic evaluation of all current and future GNSS signals, applications and techniques

- Must honor international "1 dB" criterion
- Tests and analysis are incomplete
 - Excellent work by DOT
 - NASTCN did not explore many critical aspects
 - Critical current Applications and installed base apt to be in Harms way
 - Future Applications and techniques are in jeopardy

The Fundamental Problem: The Shannon Limit



Recap: The 3 Wishes

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Wish 3: That FCC does not approve repurposing of Adjacent Spectrum until/unless <u>proposal passes</u> <u>realistic evaluation</u> of all current and future GNSS signals, applications and techniques



Wish 2: That low-cost Very Jamresistant GNSS receivers are Commercially available



Wish 1: Begin deployment of eLoran Immediately

Important Takeaway: <u>A Real Concern</u>-

- A US commercial company has argued that <u>"precise" GNSS applications</u> should not be frequency-protected, since they were not originally "authorized"
- Tests show this is very harmful to precision GPS
 <u>At 1/100th</u> the current proposal power (16 W):
 - The most Sensitive receivers affected everywhere
 - $\circ\,$ Half the Receivers affected at $\frac{1}{2}$ the transmitter operating radius
 - Many future applications/techniques potentially at risk...
- Let's support both existing Base and the Future



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Questions?

Third Floor in High Sierras 2017 Drought is over?