



# Multi-GNSS relative positioning with Galileo, BeiDou and GPS

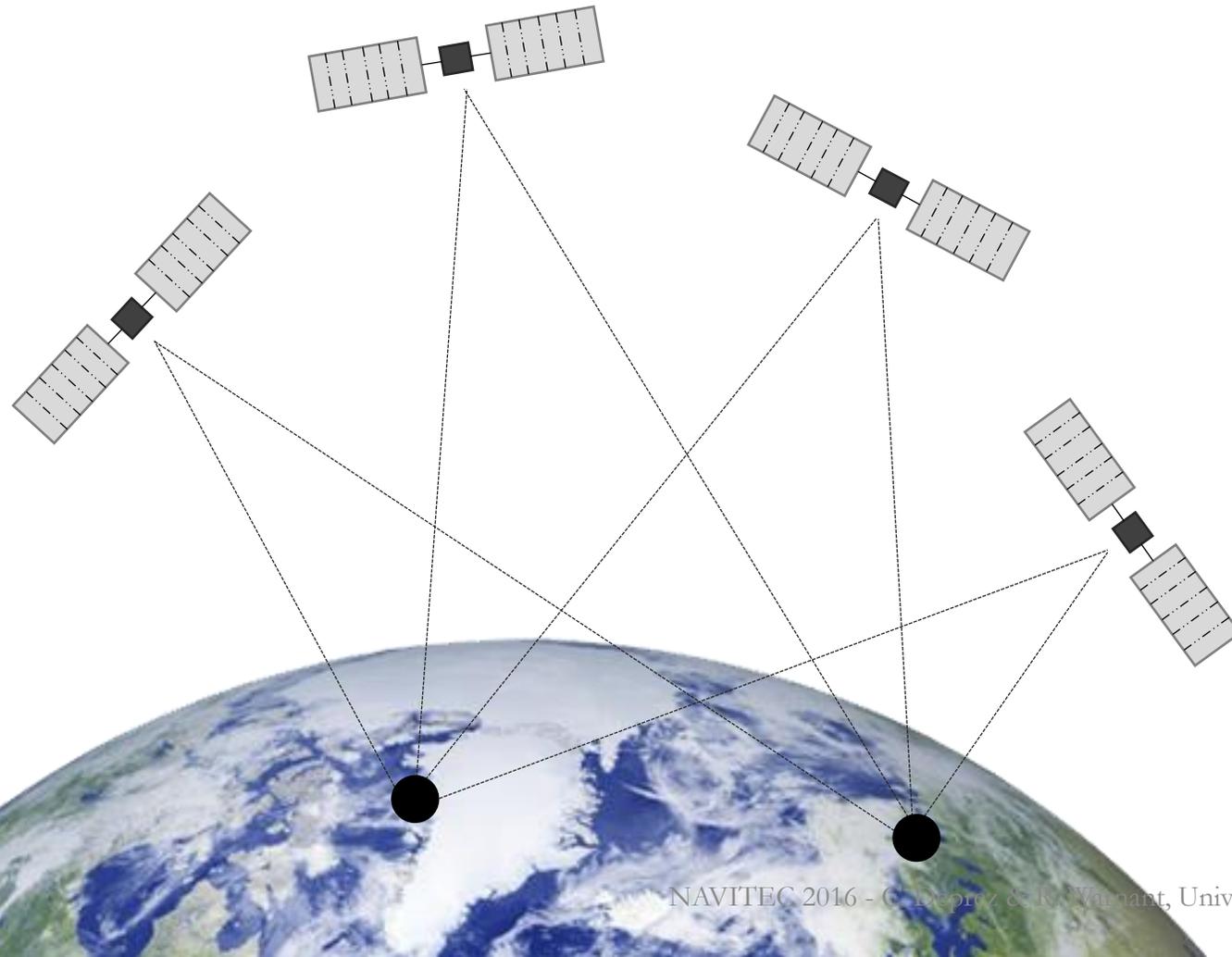
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# Individual analysis of the GNSS signal precisions

# Double difference

eliminates **clock** errors



Relative  
Positioning

# Short baseline

to compute

**observation** precisions

Baseline length:  
5 metres

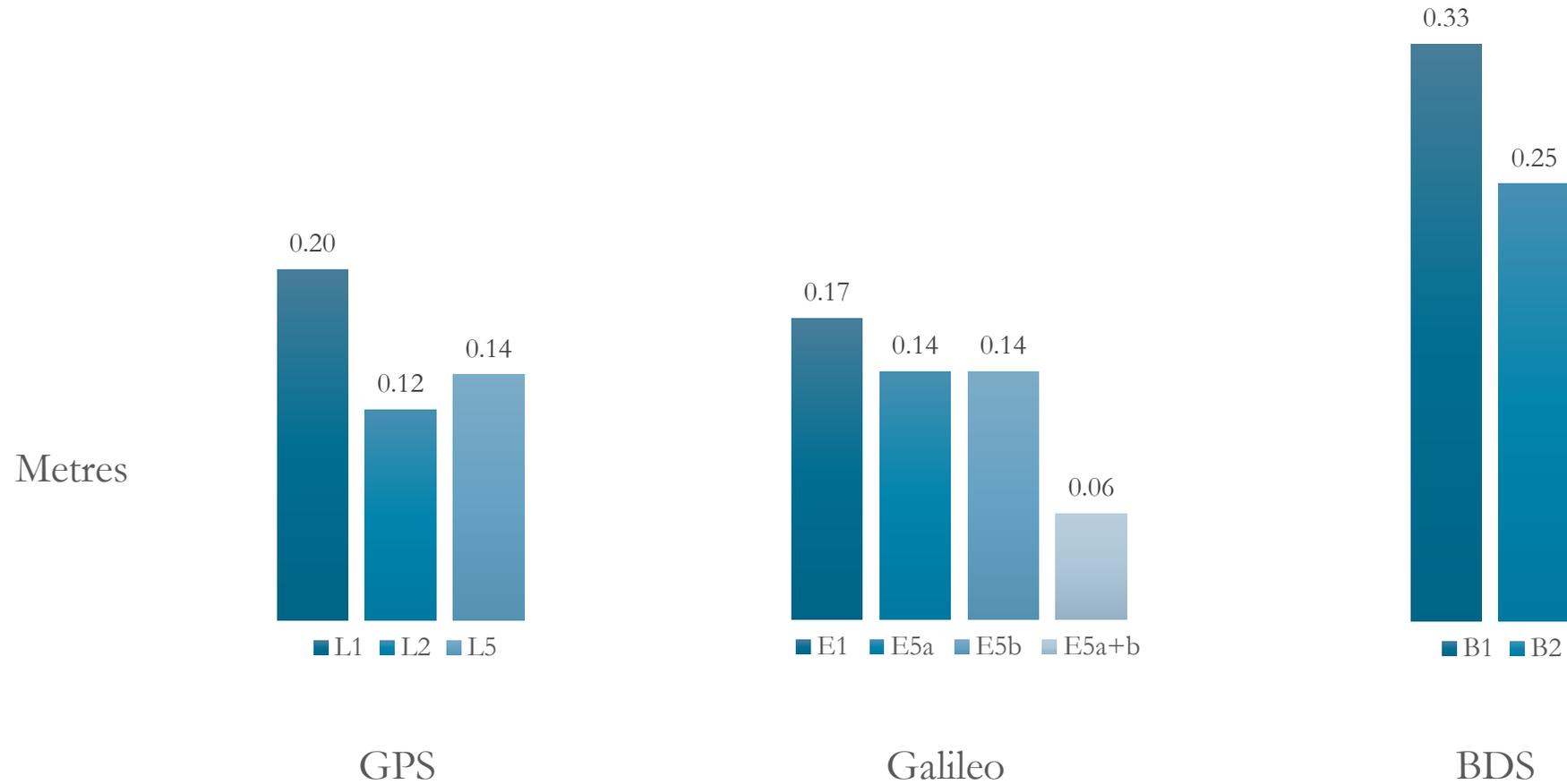
$$R - \rho = M + \varepsilon$$

Codes

$$\Phi - \rho = \lambda N + m + e$$

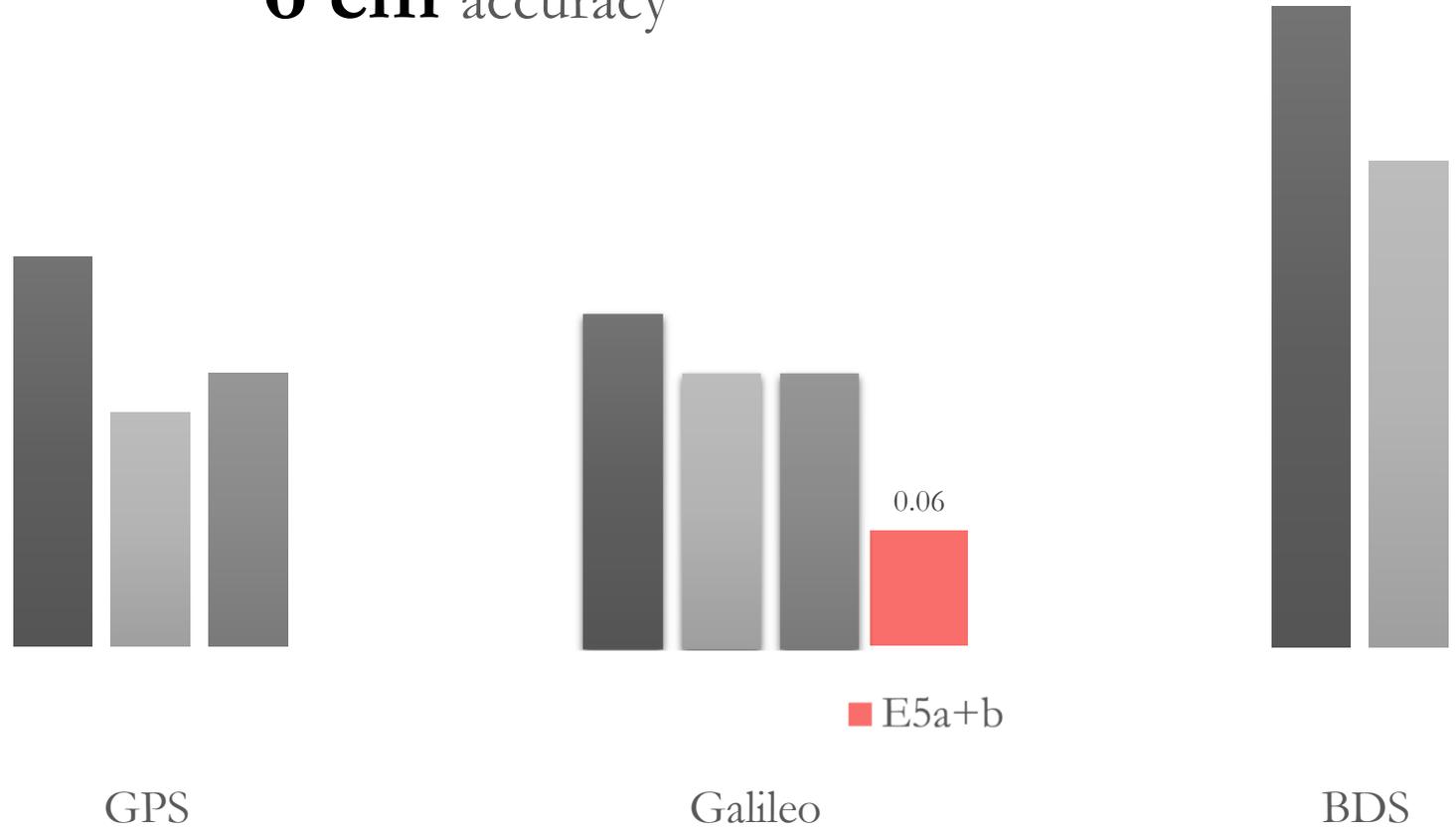
Phases

# Best precisions with **Galileo** code signals



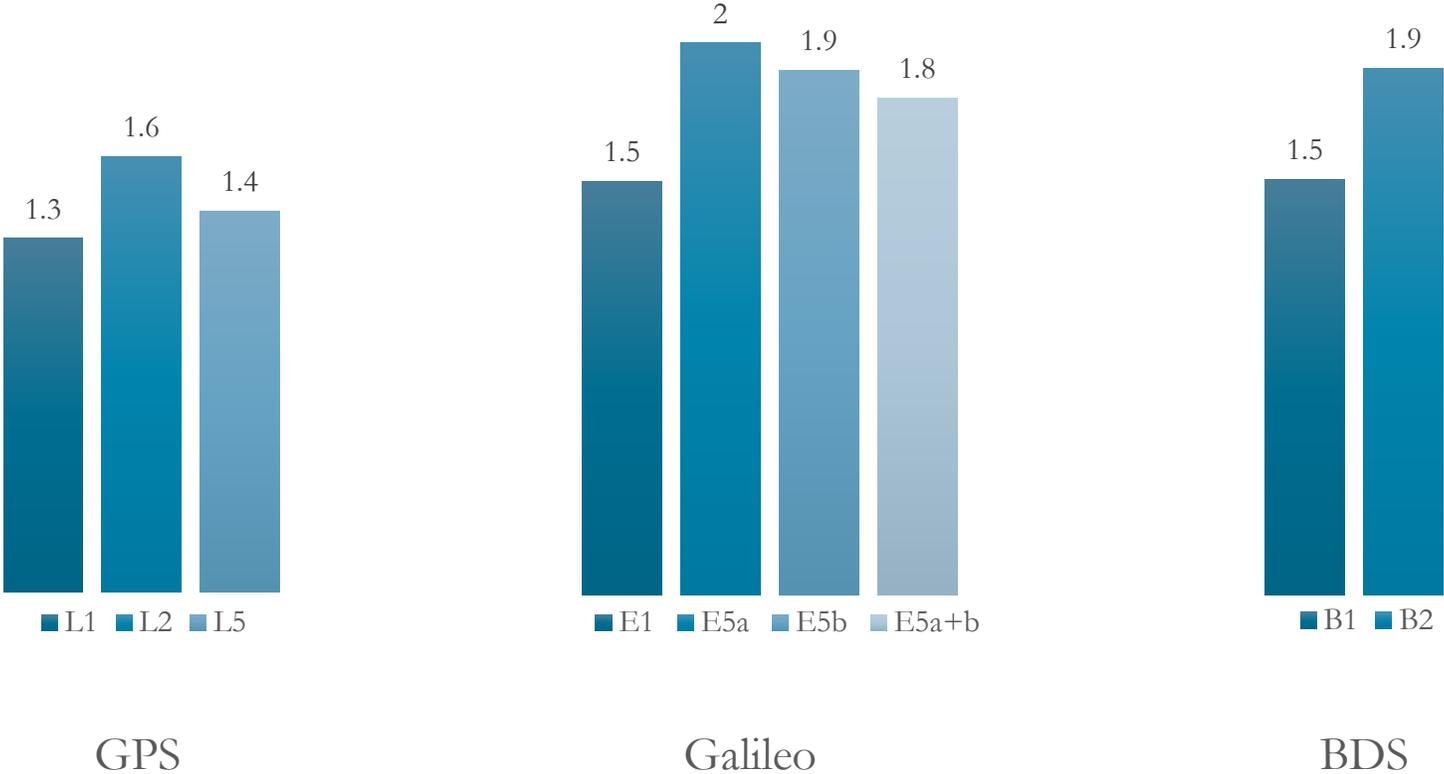
# Galileo E5a+b

reaches  
**6 cm** accuracy



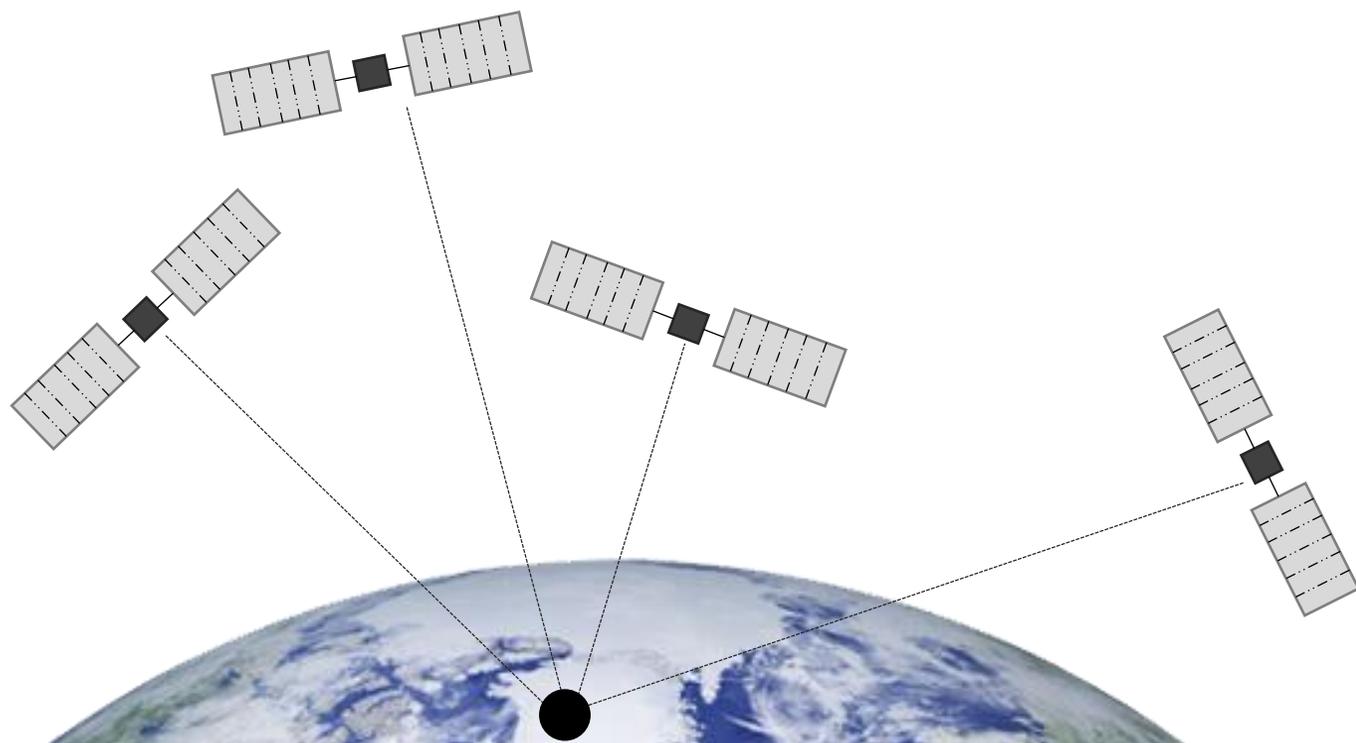
# Similar phase precisions

Millimetres

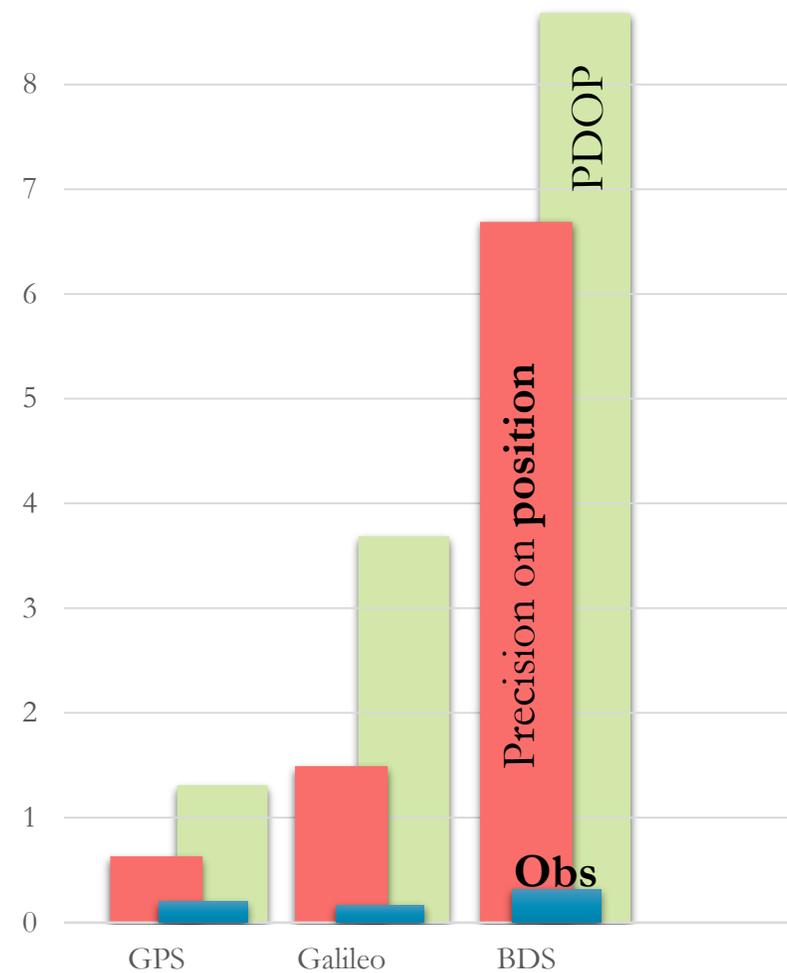


# PDOP

decreases **position precisions**  
of **smaller** constellations



Metres



# Multi-GNSS analysis

Estimation of the inter-system biases

# Independent GNSS constellations

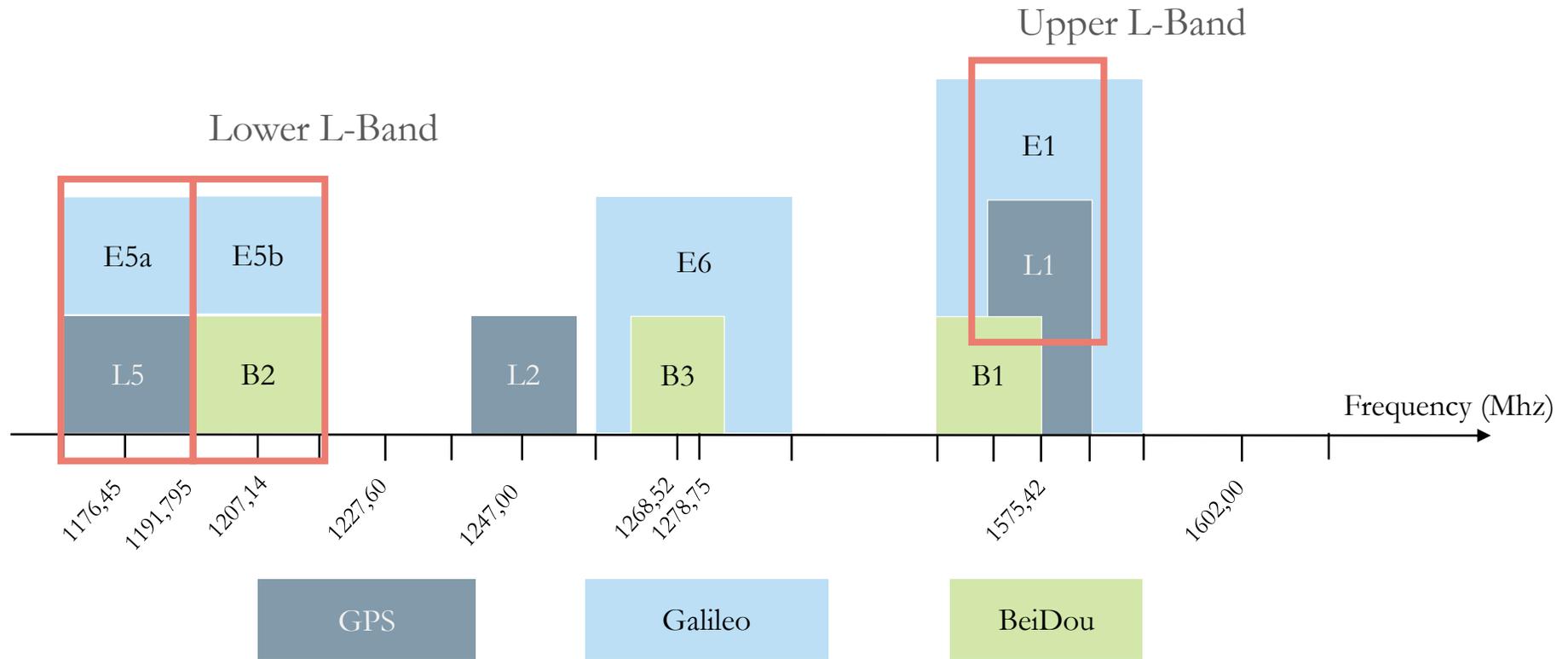


GPS  
31 satellites

BeiDou  
23 satellites

Galileo  
18 satellites

# GNSS constellations are **compatible**



The **combination** of GNSS

leads to a **new error** :

**ISB**

Codes

$$R_{12}^{GG} = D_{12}^{GG} + \varepsilon_{12}^{GG}$$

$$R_{12}^{GE} = D_{12}^{GE} - d_{12}^{(GE)} + \varepsilon_{12}^{GE}$$

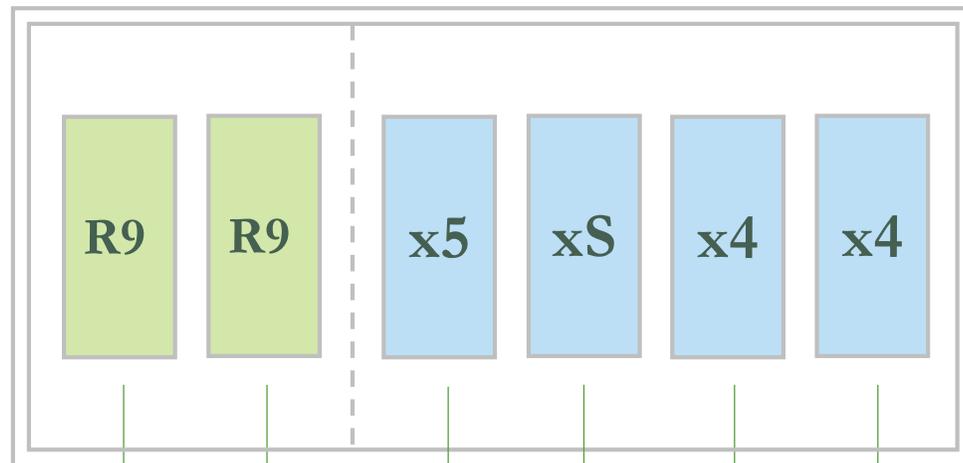
Phases

$$\Phi_{12}^{GE} = D_{12}^{GE} - d_{12}^{(GE)} + N\lambda_{12}^{GE} + e_{12}^{GE}$$

Zero baseline

# ISBs are receiver-dependent

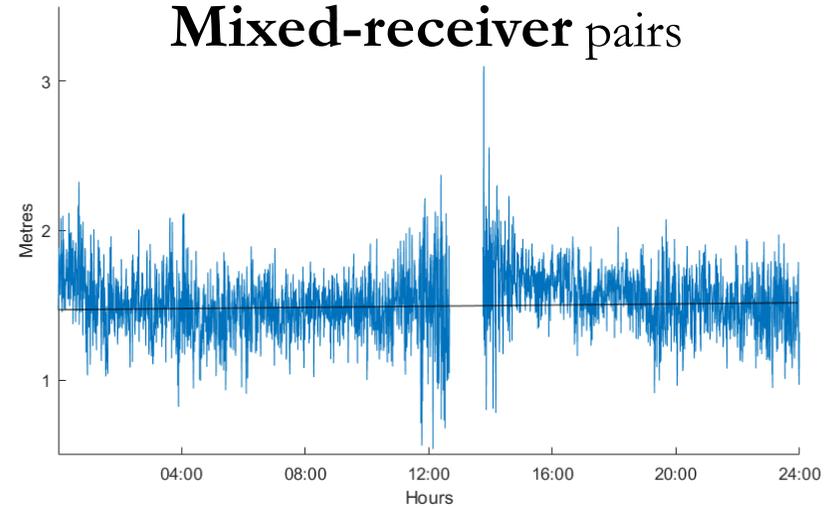
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Trimble

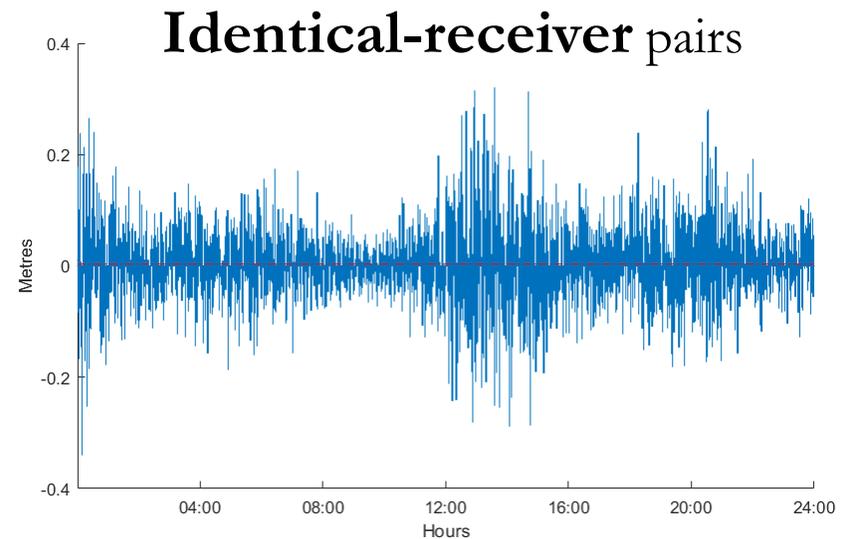
Septentrio

### Mixed-receiver pairs



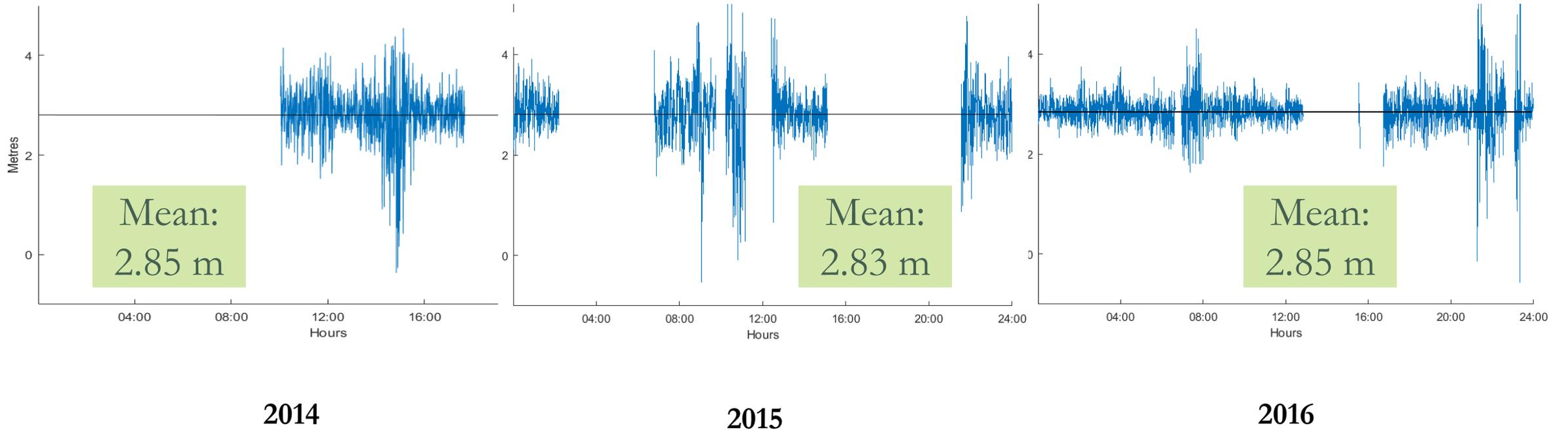
Mean:  
1.52 m

### Identical-receiver pairs

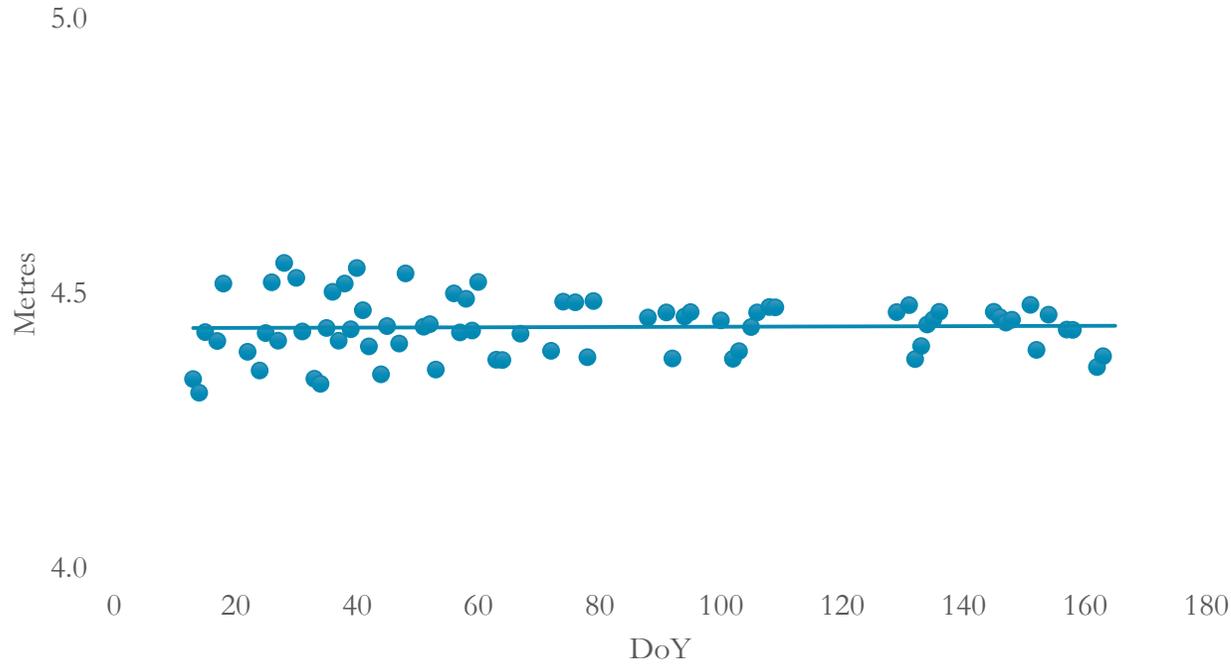


Mean:  
0.00 m

# ISBs are **stable** across years

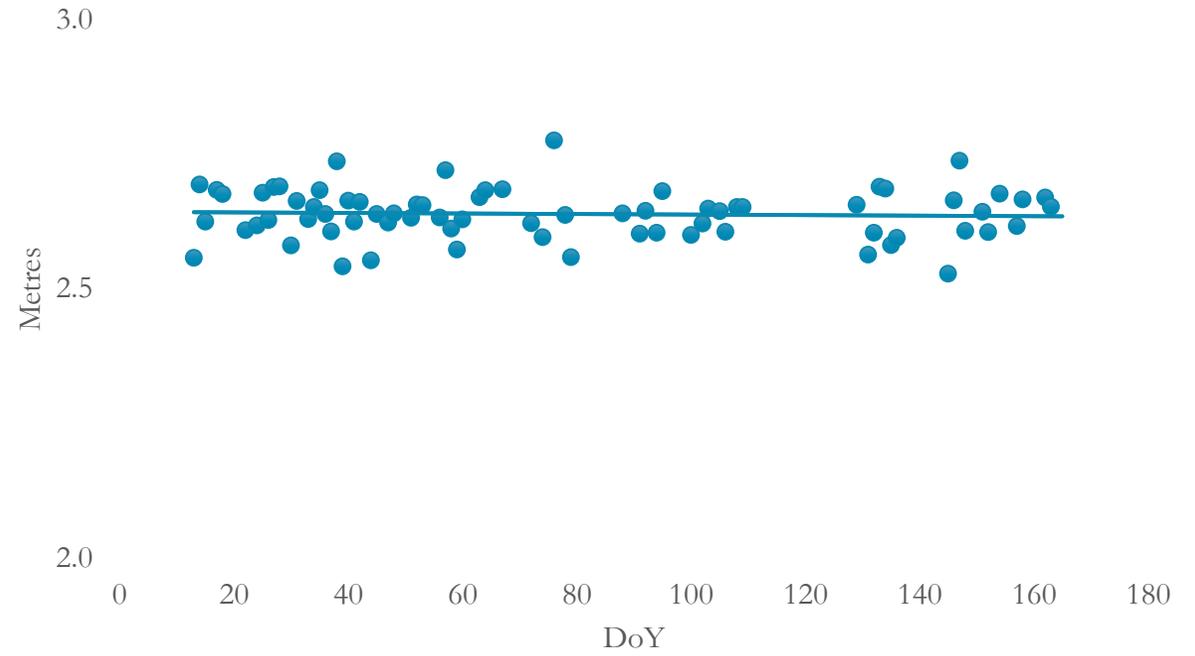


# ISBs are **stable** over time



Mean:  
4.44 m

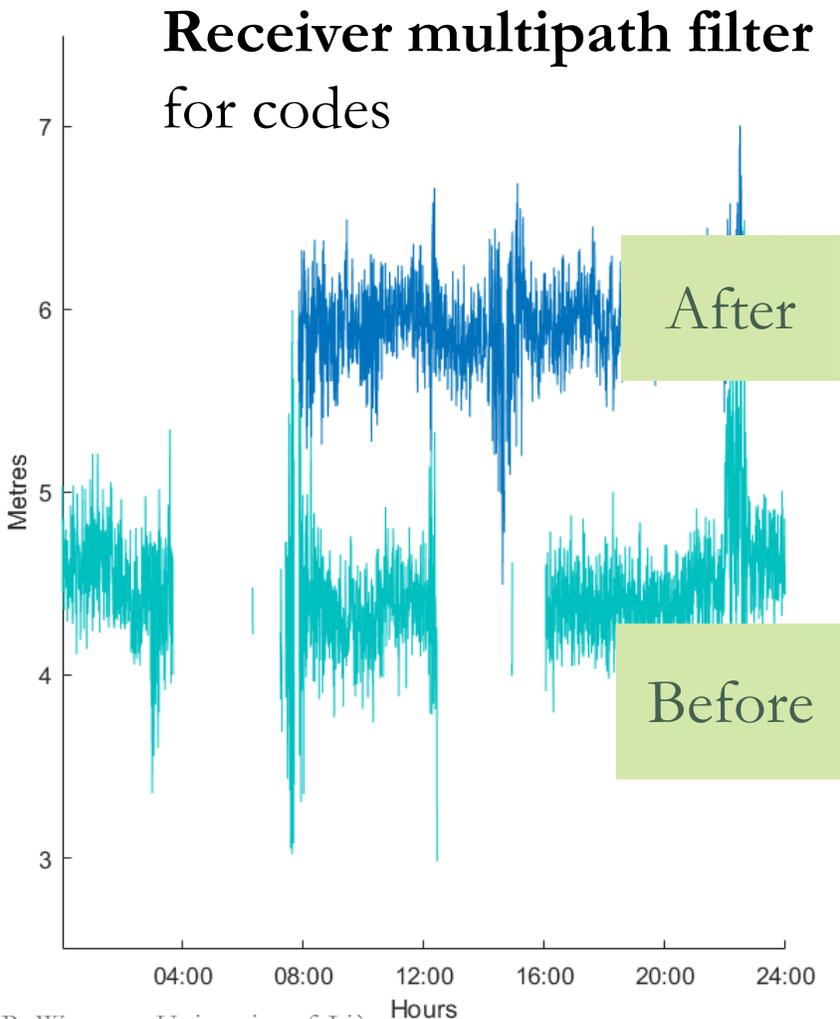
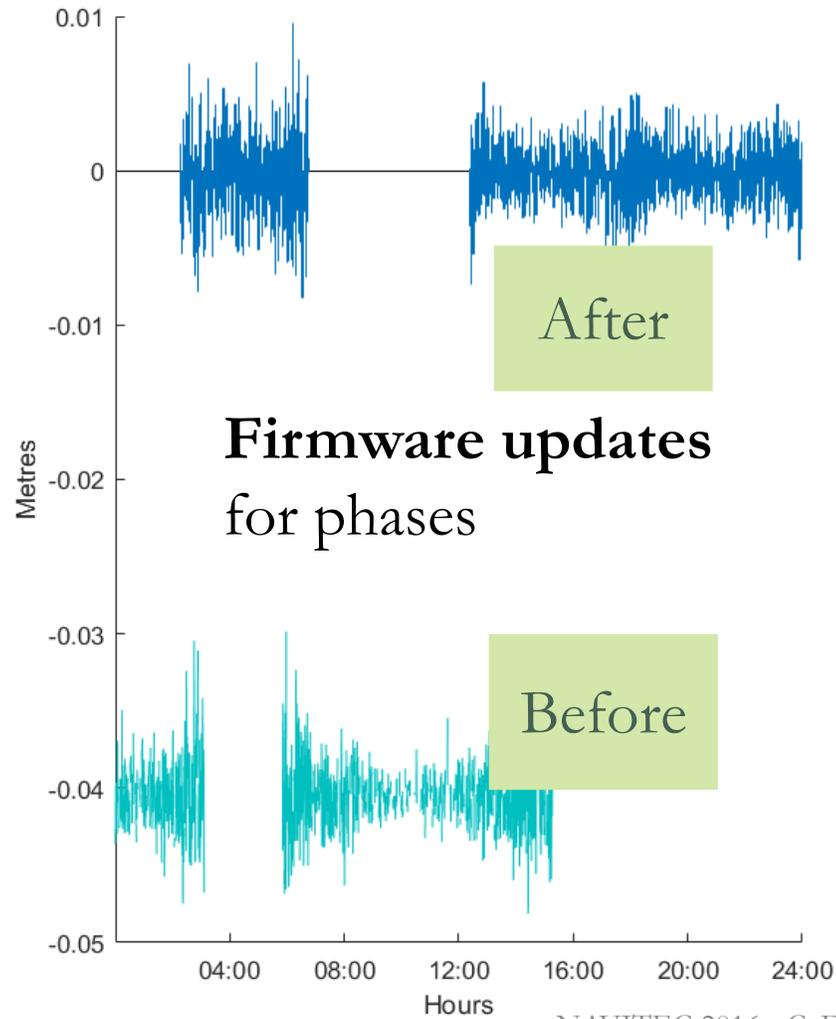
Std:  
0.05 m



Mean:  
2.64 m

Std:  
0.05 m

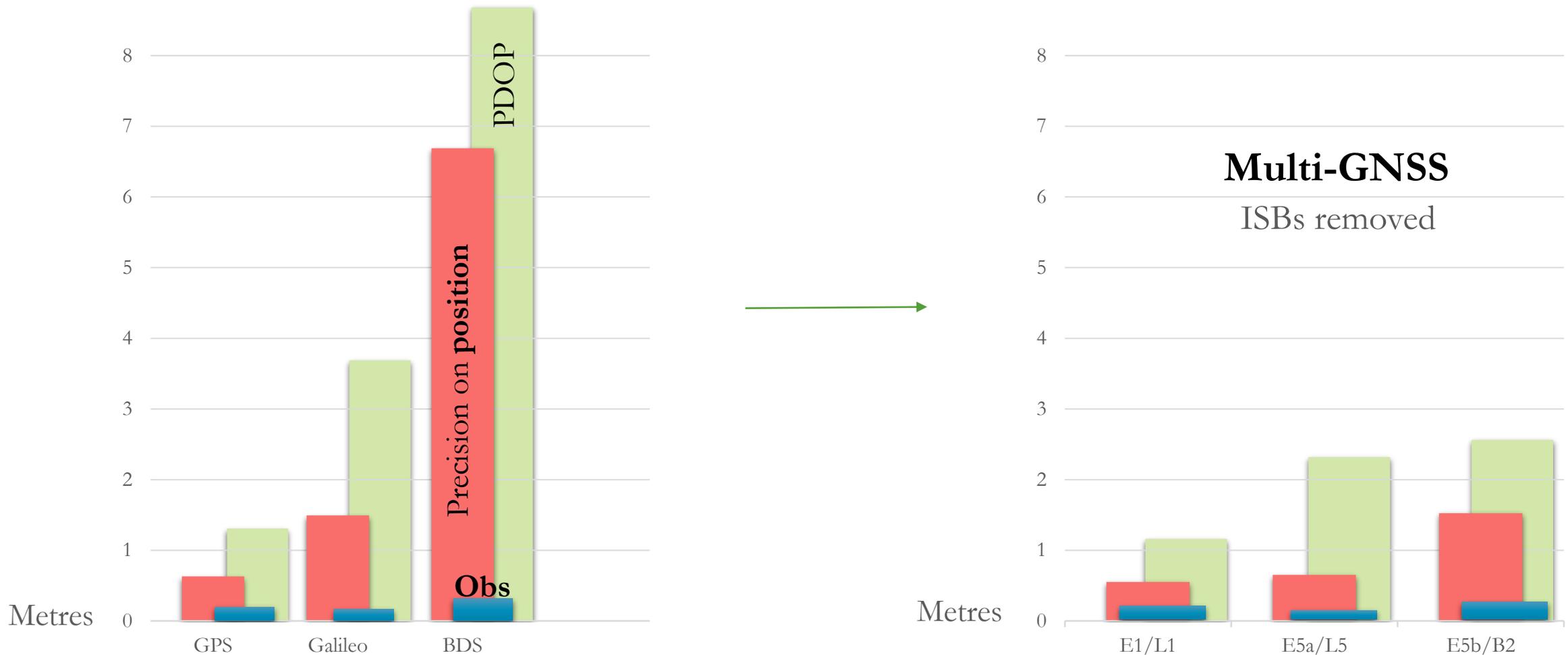
ISBs might be **affected** by



# Multi-GNSS positioning

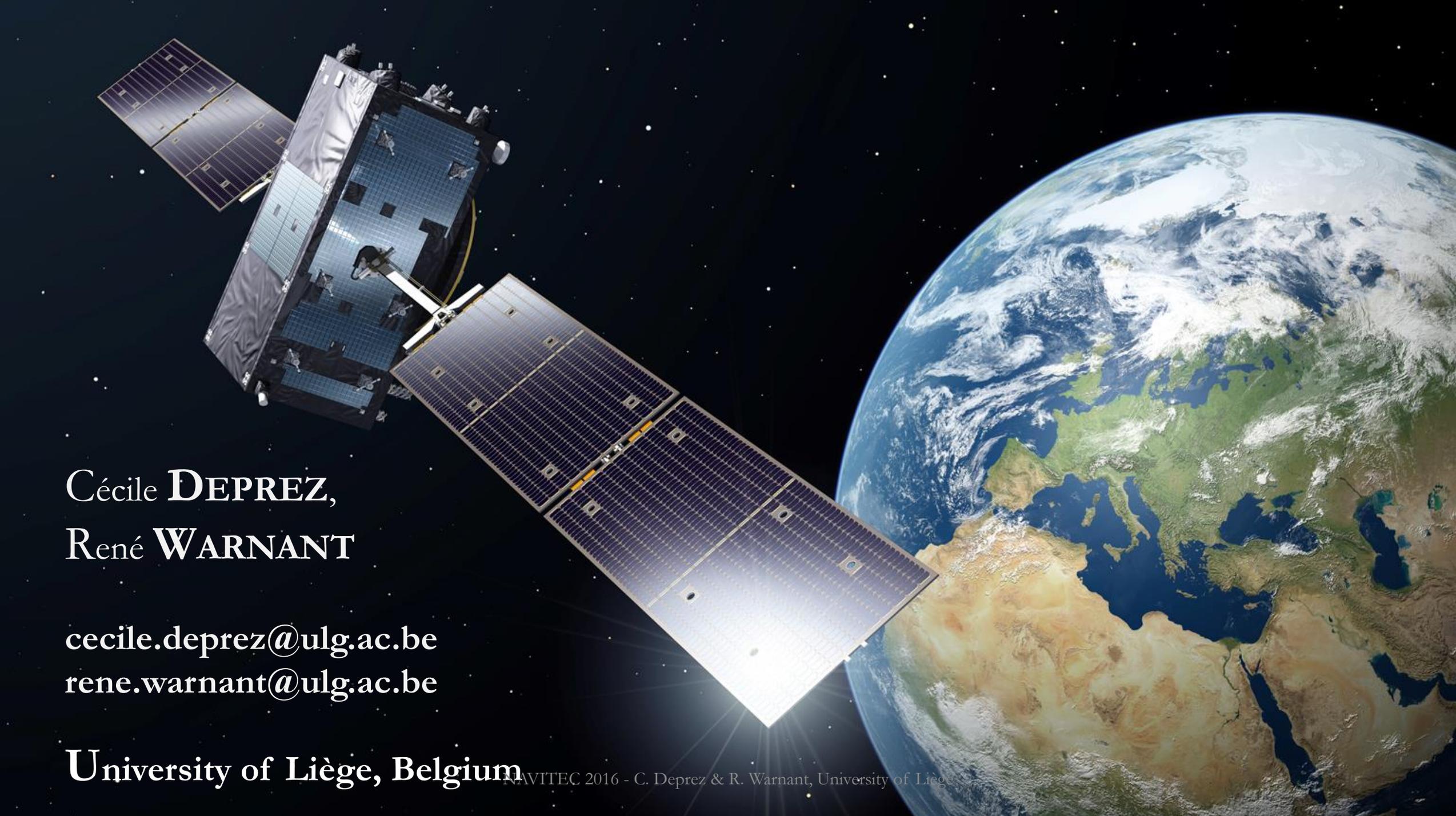
Estimation of the improvement brought by multi-GNSS

# Multi-GNSS improves positioning results



What about **mass-market** receivers?



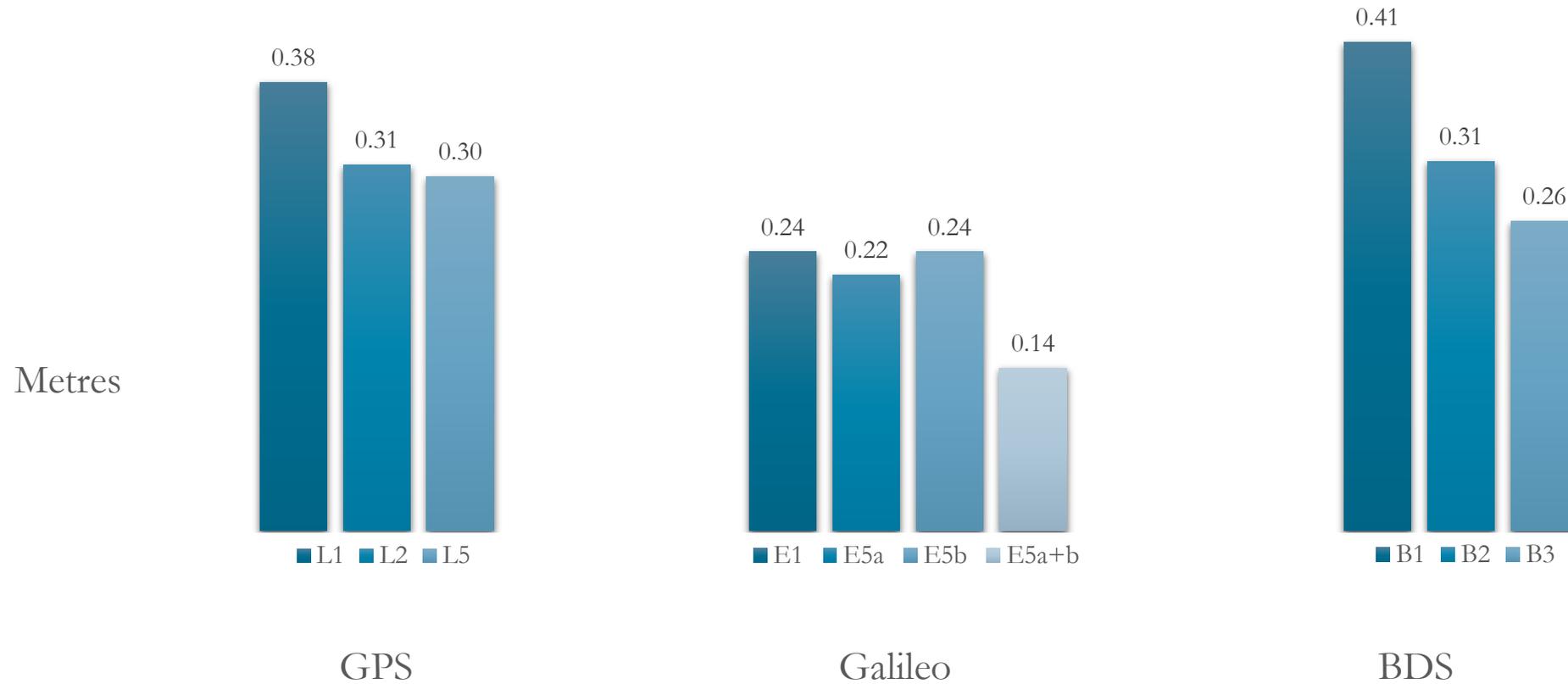
A satellite with large solar panels is shown in space, orbiting Earth. The Earth's surface, showing continents and clouds, is visible on the right side of the image. The background is a dark space filled with stars.

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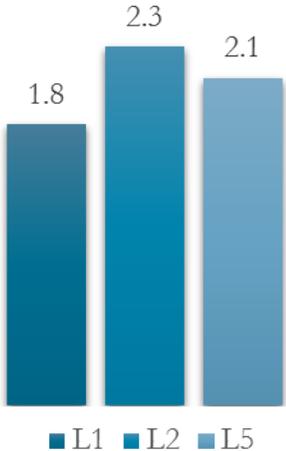
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# Best precisions with **Galileo** code signals

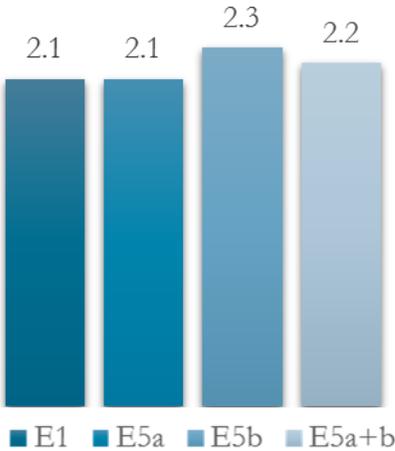


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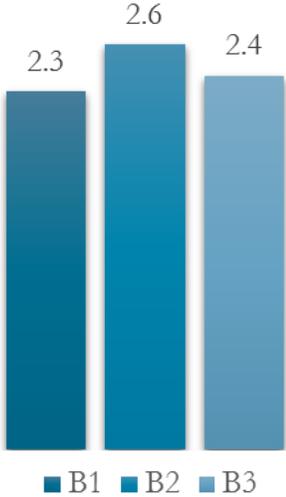
Millimetres



GPS



Galileo



BDS

# ISBs results

2014

	TR	X4	XS
TR	0,00	-4,44	-4,44
X4	4,44	-	-0,06
XS	4,44	0,06	-

2015

	TR	X4	XS
TR	0,00	-4,40	-4,44
X4	4,40	0,00	-0,04
XS	4,44	0,04	-

2016

	TR	X4	XS	X5
TR	0,00	-4,44	-4,49	-4,48
X4	4,44	0,00	-0,04	-0,03
XS	4,49	0,04	-	-0,02
X5	4,48	0,03	0,02	-

## Galileo E5a / GPS L5

# ISBs results

2014

	TR	X4	XS
TR	-	-2,82	-
X4	2,82	-	-0,06
XS	-	0,06	-

2015

	TR	X4	XS
TR	0,13	-2,92	-2,53
X4	2,92	0,02	-0,05
XS	2,53	0,05	-

2016

	TR	X4	XS
TR	0,13	-2,82	-2,57
X4	2,82	0,02	-0,04
XS	2,57	0,04	-

## Galileo E5b / BeiDou B2

# ISBs results

2014

	TR	X4	XS
TR	0,11	-0,49	-0,25
X4	0,49	-	0,00
XS	0,25	0,00	-

2015

	TR	X4	XS
TR	0,15	-0,39	-0,14
X4	0,39	0,00	0,00
XS	0,14	0,00	-

2016

	TR	X4	XS	X5
TR	0,15	-0,22	-0,16	-0,02
X4	0,22	0,00	0,00	-0,17
XS	0,16	0,00	-	-0,17
X5	0,02	0,17	0,17	-

## Galileo E1 / GPS L1

# ISBs phase results

2015

	TR	X4	XS
TR	0,00	-0,24	-0,24
X4	0,24	0,00	0,00
XS	0,24	0,00	-

2016a

	TR	X4	XS
TR	0,00	-0,24	-0,24
X4	0,24	0,00	0,00
XS	0,24	0,00	-

2016b

	TR	X4	XS
TR	-	-0,24	-0,24
X4	0,24	-	0,00
XS	0,24	0,00	-

## Galileo E5b / BeiDou B2