





Positioning in multi-GNSS mode

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HOTEL

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**Limited
view angle**



ARE WE
LOST?

NOT AT ALL!
MY GPS SAYS: THE
HOTEL IS STRAIGHT
AHEAD!

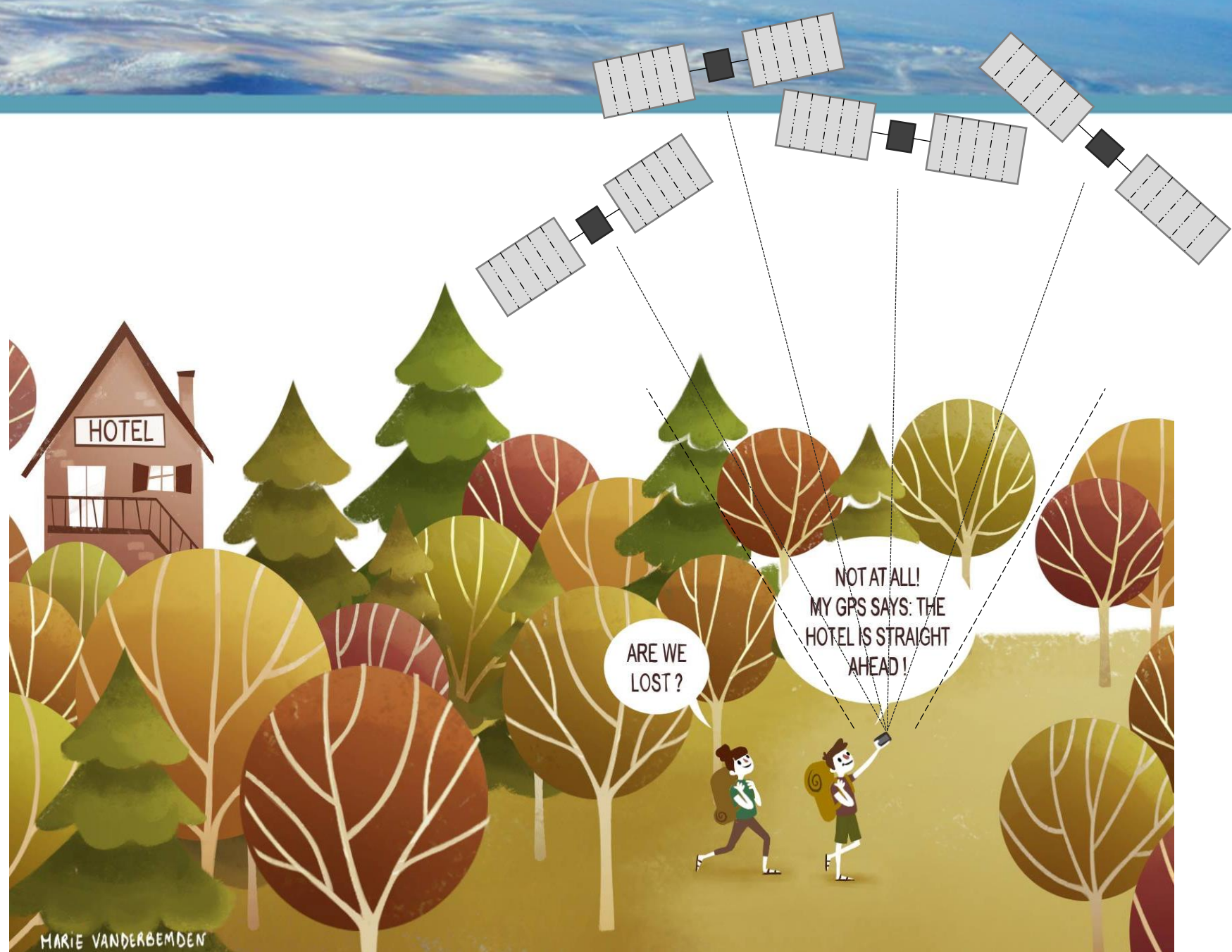


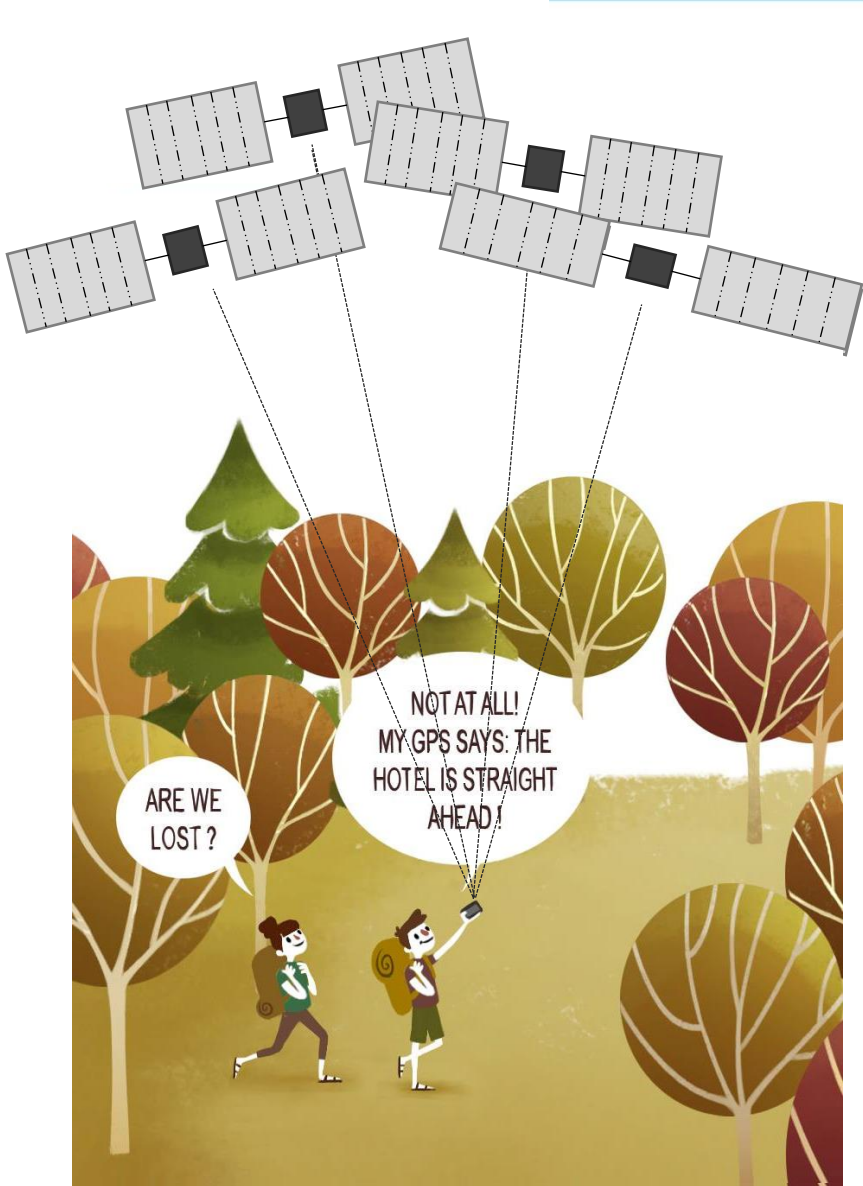
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A low number

of **visible** satellites

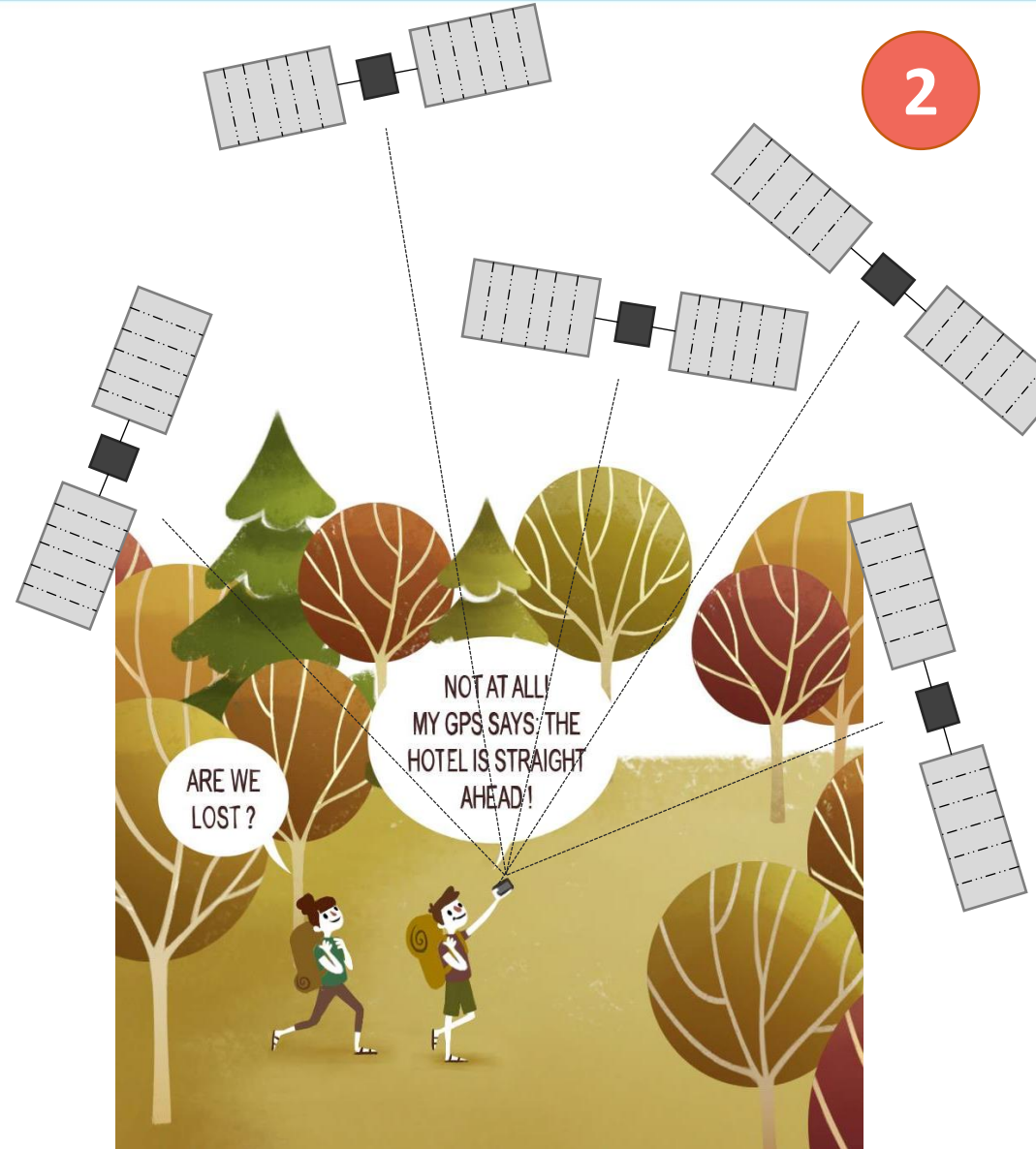
reduces the **quality** of the
positioning

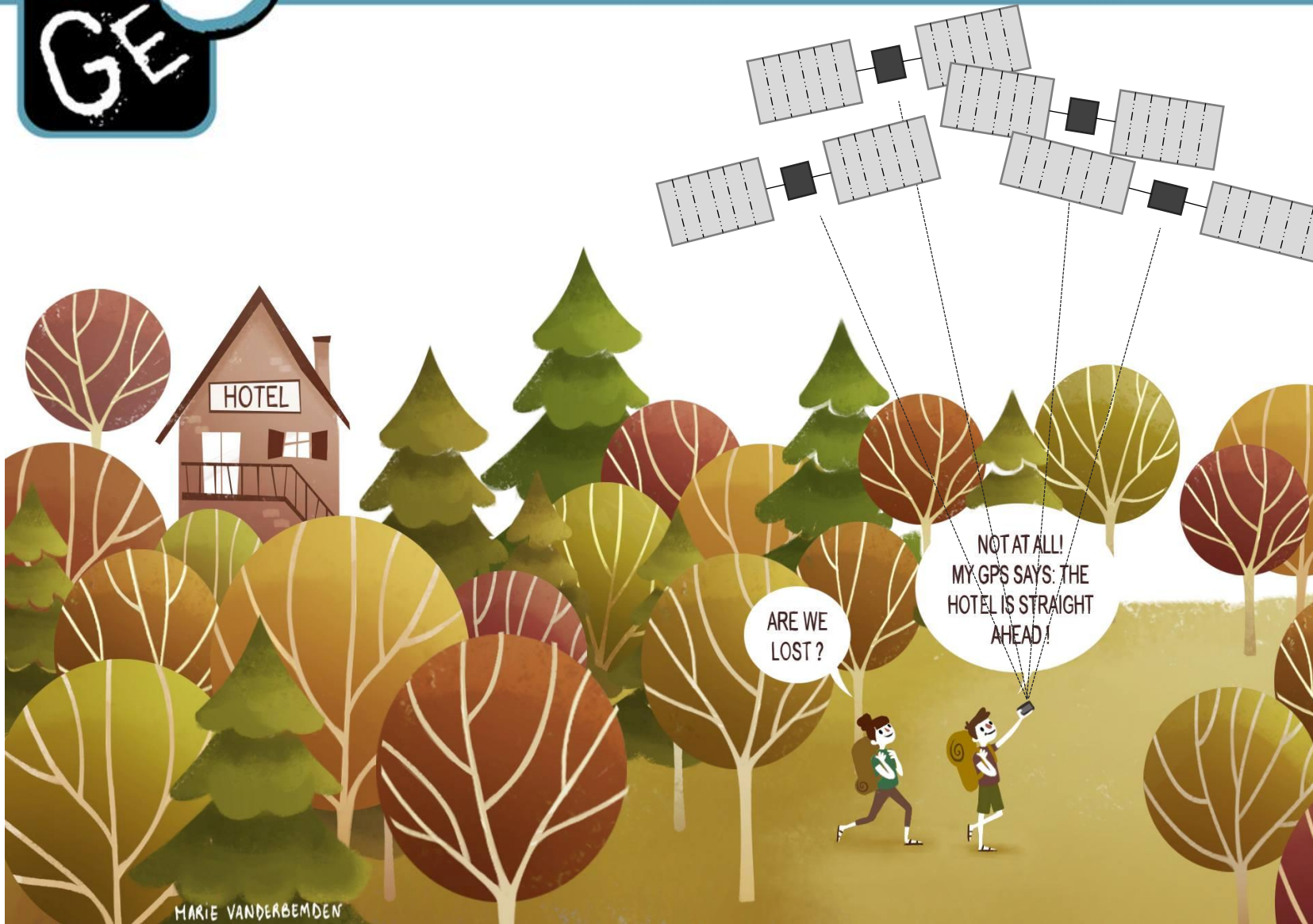




The **geometry** of the satellites affects the position precision

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High PDOP value

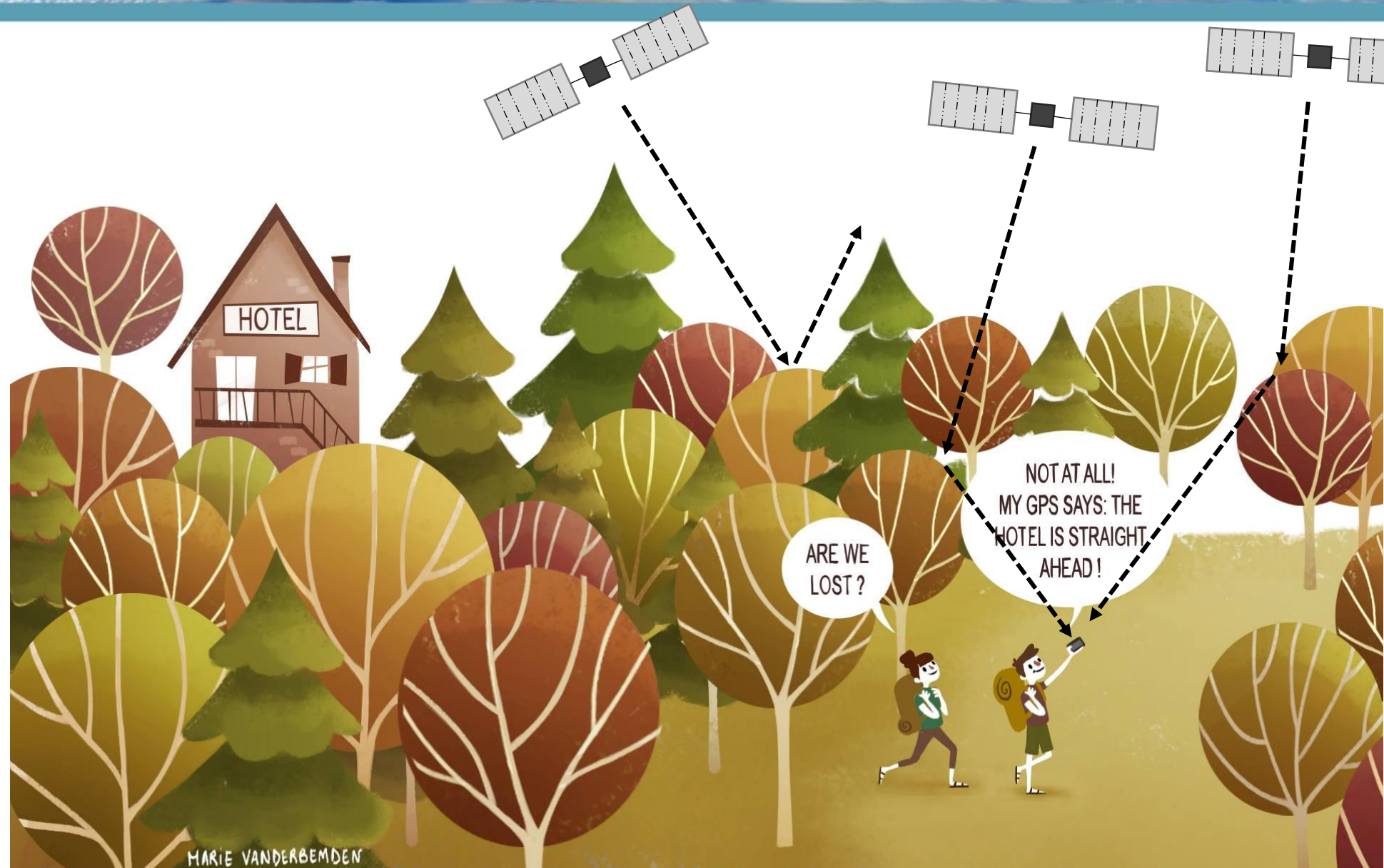
decreases

the **precision**
of positioning

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Multipath

highly degrades
positioning



Mass market receivers

are less precise

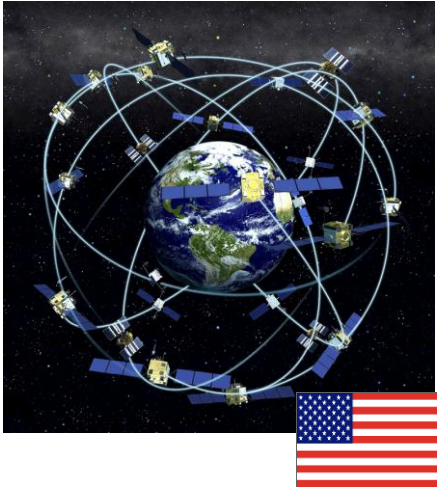
than high-end receivers



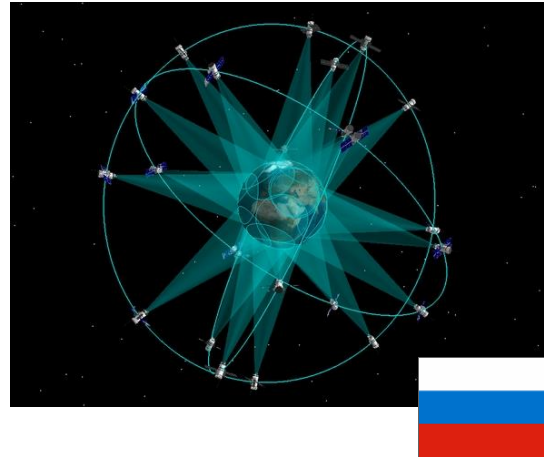


Could **Multi-GNSS** solutions
improve this situation?

GPS



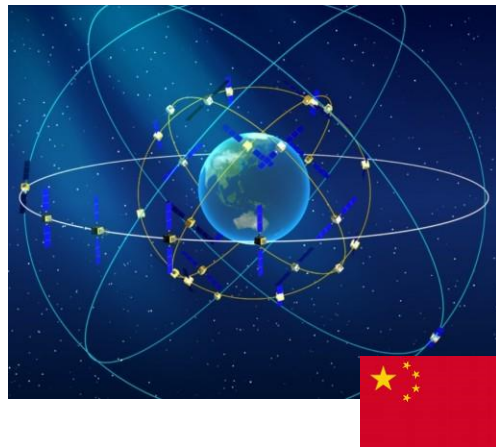
GLONASS



Galileo



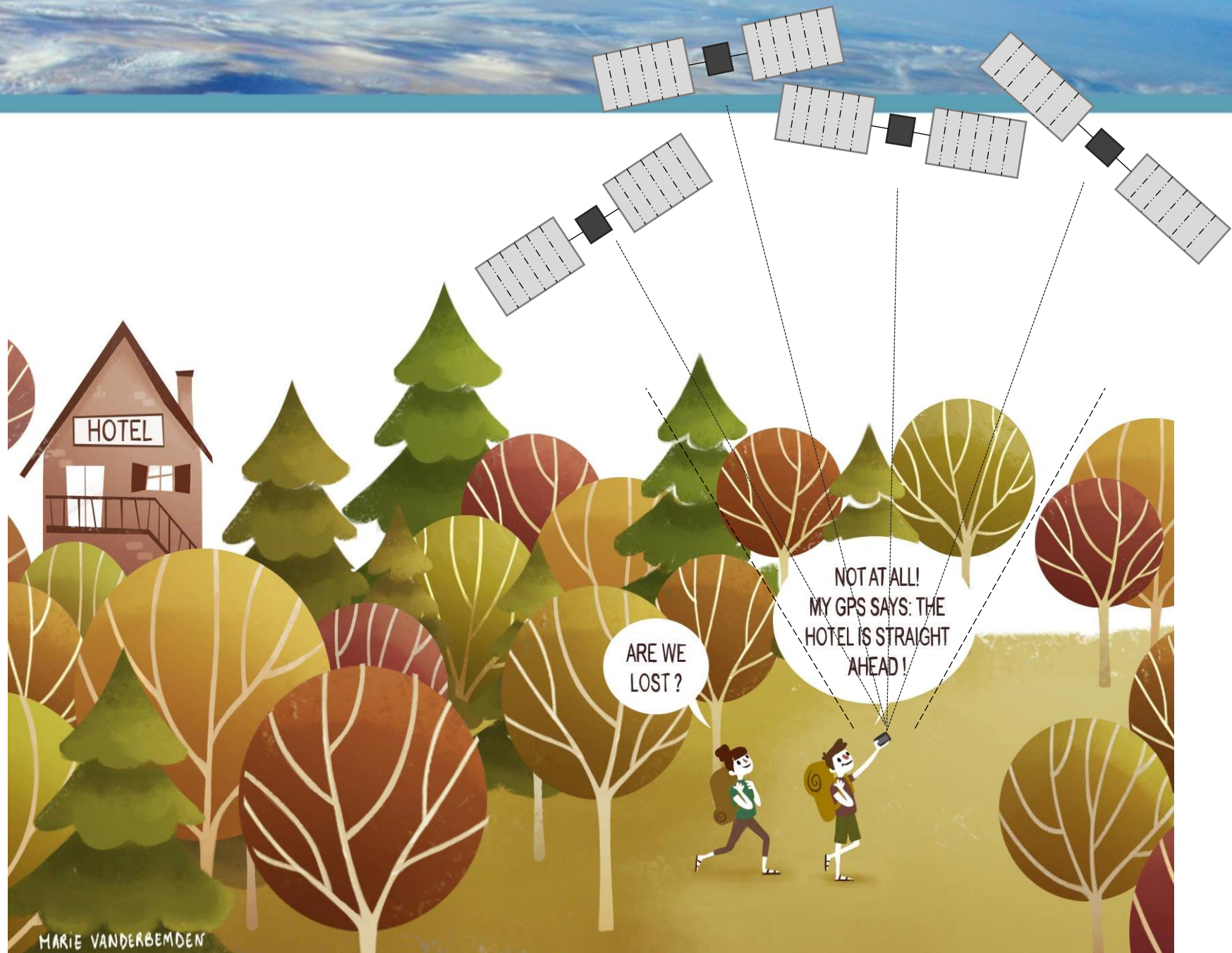
BeiDou



QZSS

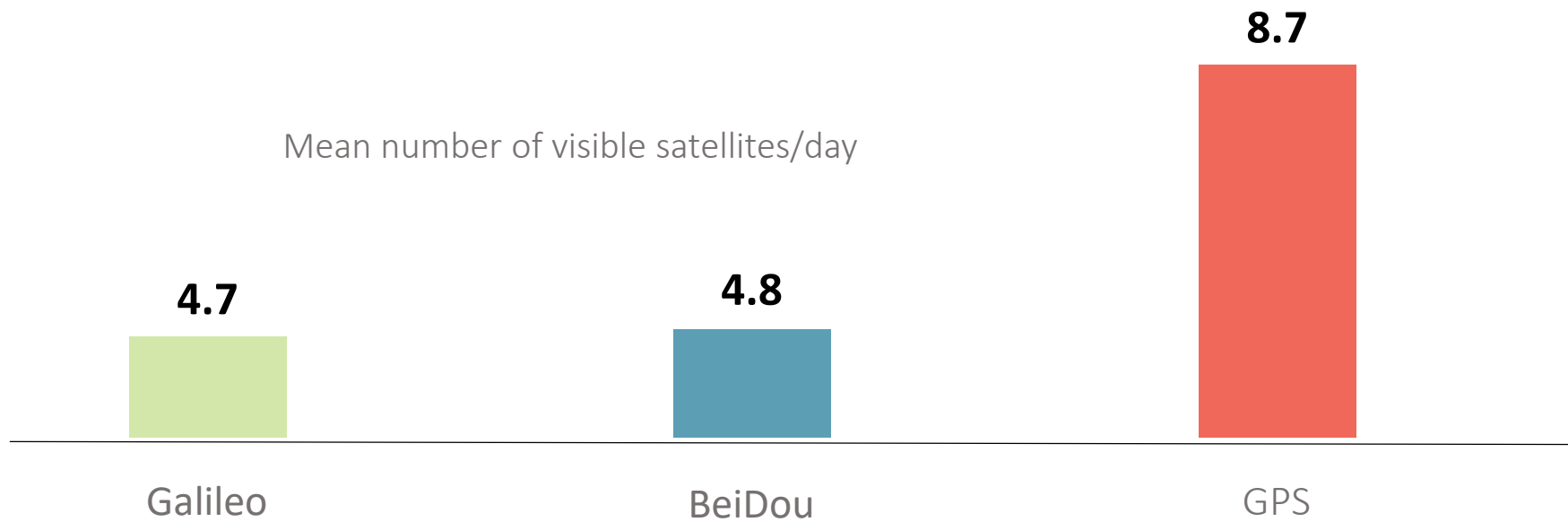


1 Low number
of visible satellites



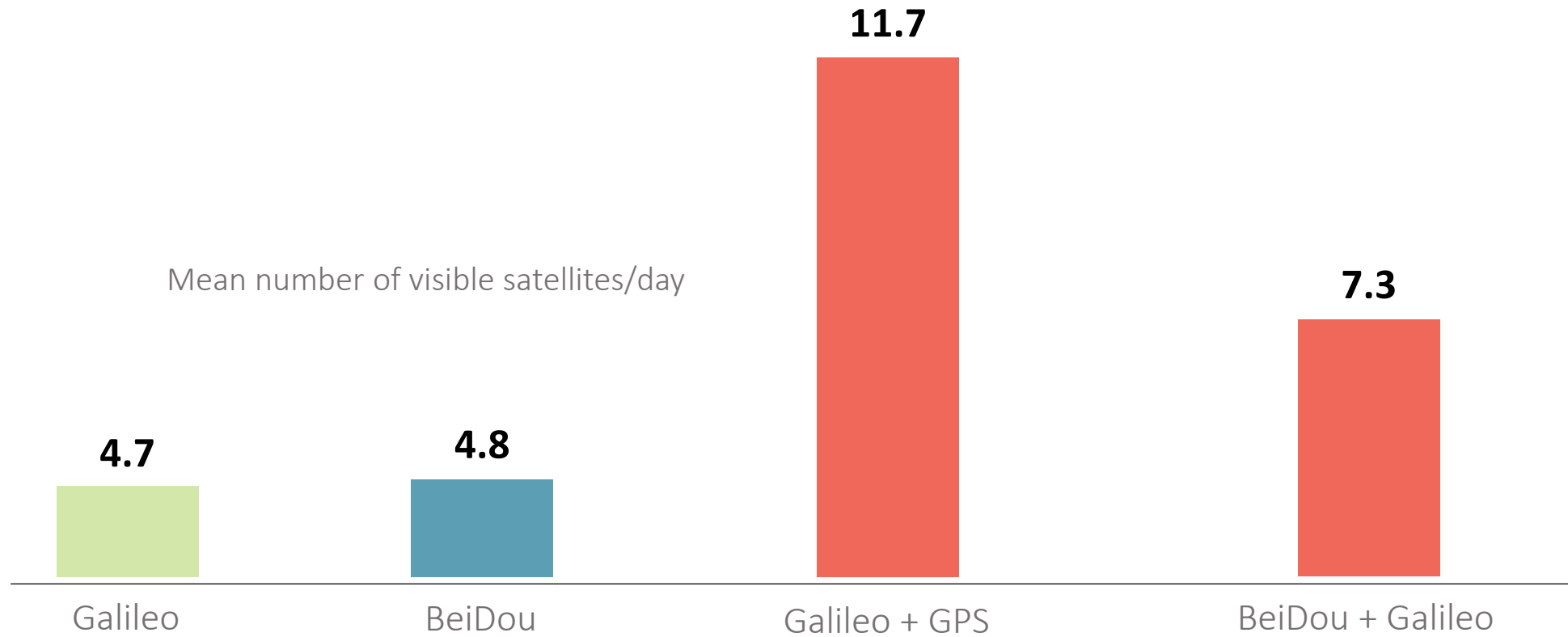
1 New constellations

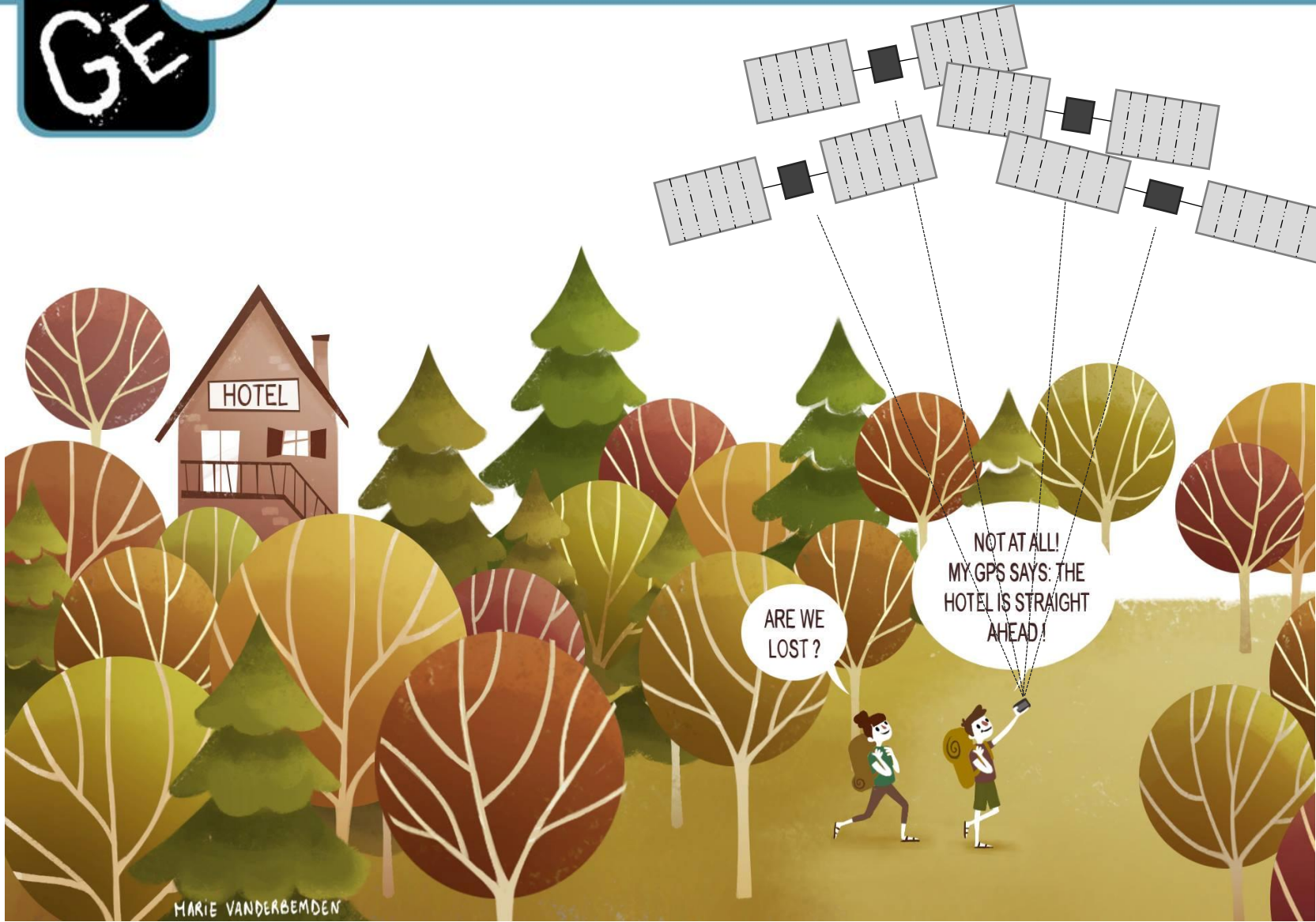
show a **low number** of visible **satellites**



1 The combination of GNSS

rises the number of visible satellites





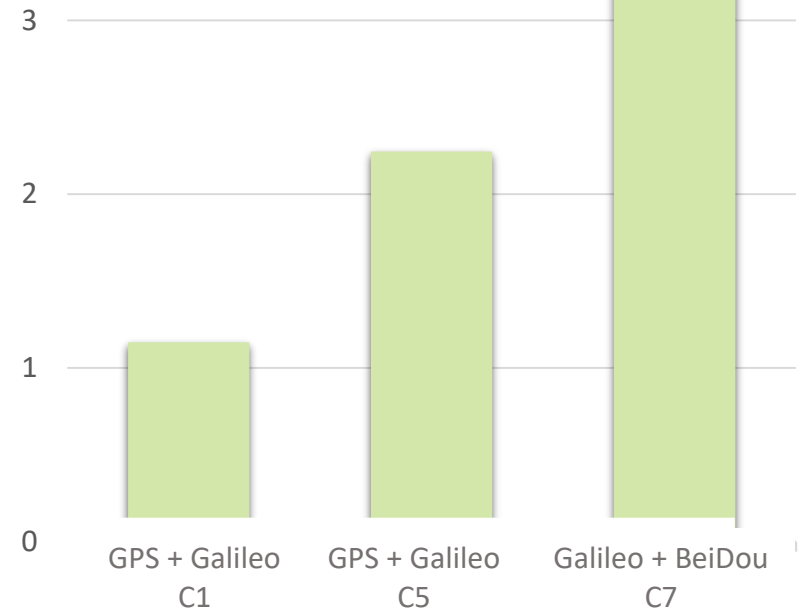
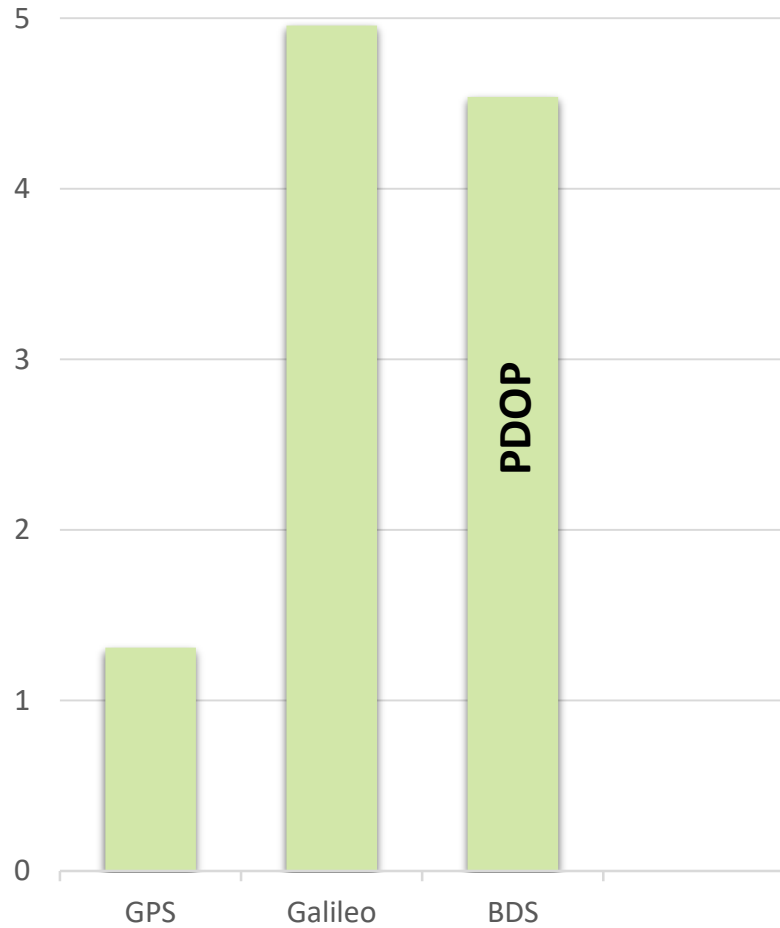
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High PDOP value

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Multi-GNSS solutions

improve the PDOP

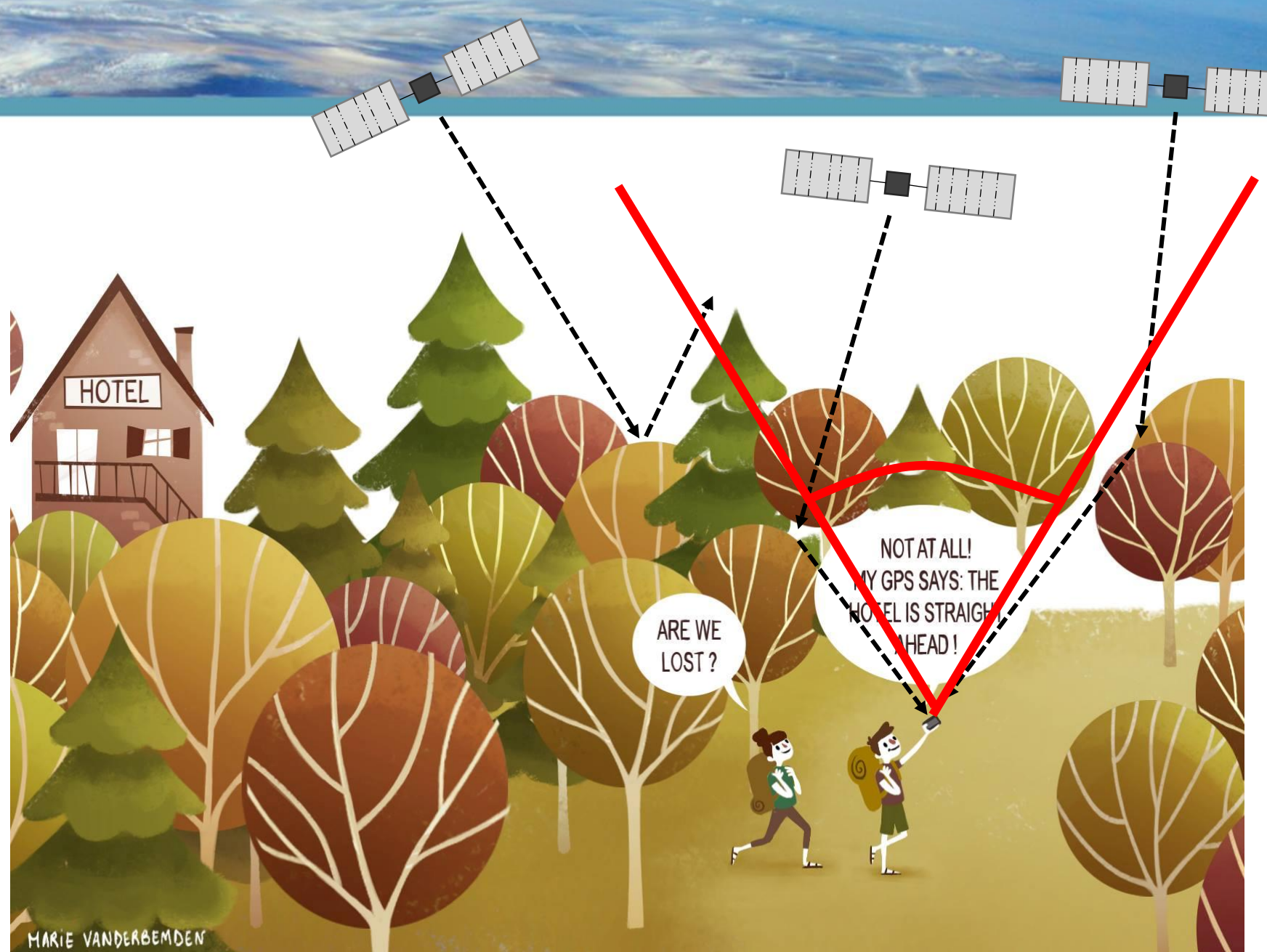


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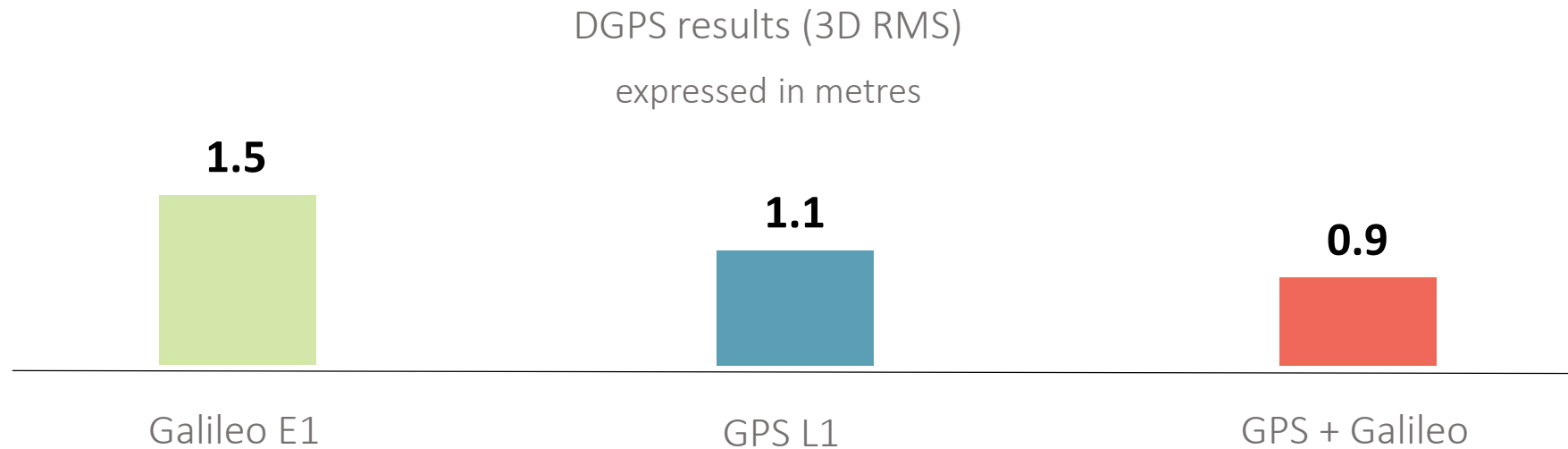
A high mask of elevation
allow reducing
the multipath effect



Increases PDOP



3 Multi-GNSS solutions are **more precise** than single-GNSS solutions at **high elevation mask**



Elevation mask: 30°

Mass market receivers

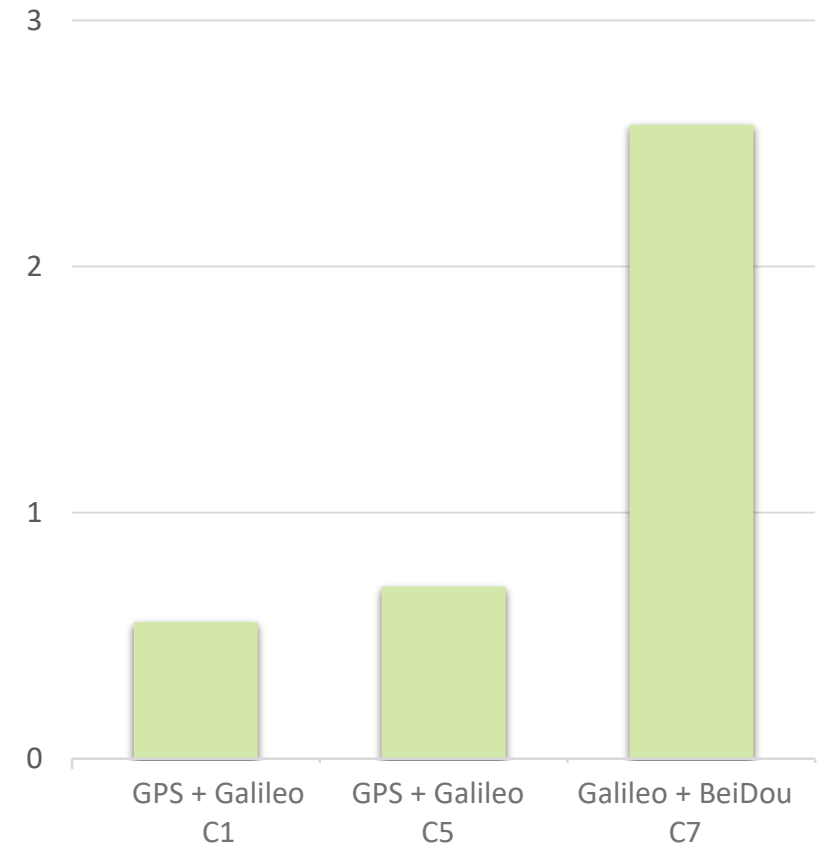
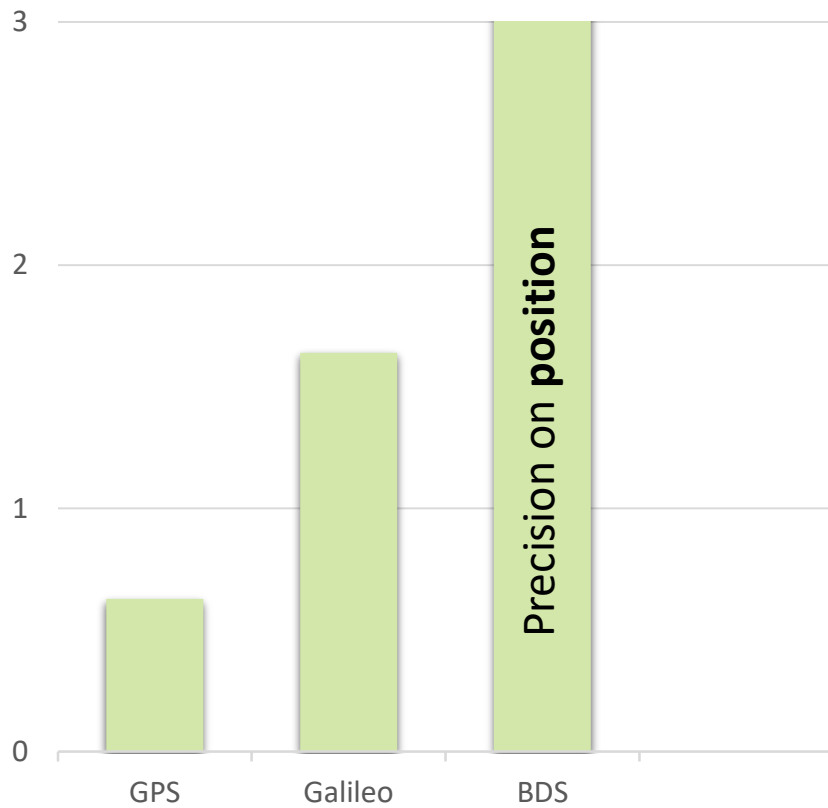
are less precise



4 Multi-GNSS solution leads to more precise positions

regardless of the type of receiver used

DGPS results (3D RMS)
expressed in metres





Drawbacks of multi-GNSS positioning



Differences

between GNSS

Time systems

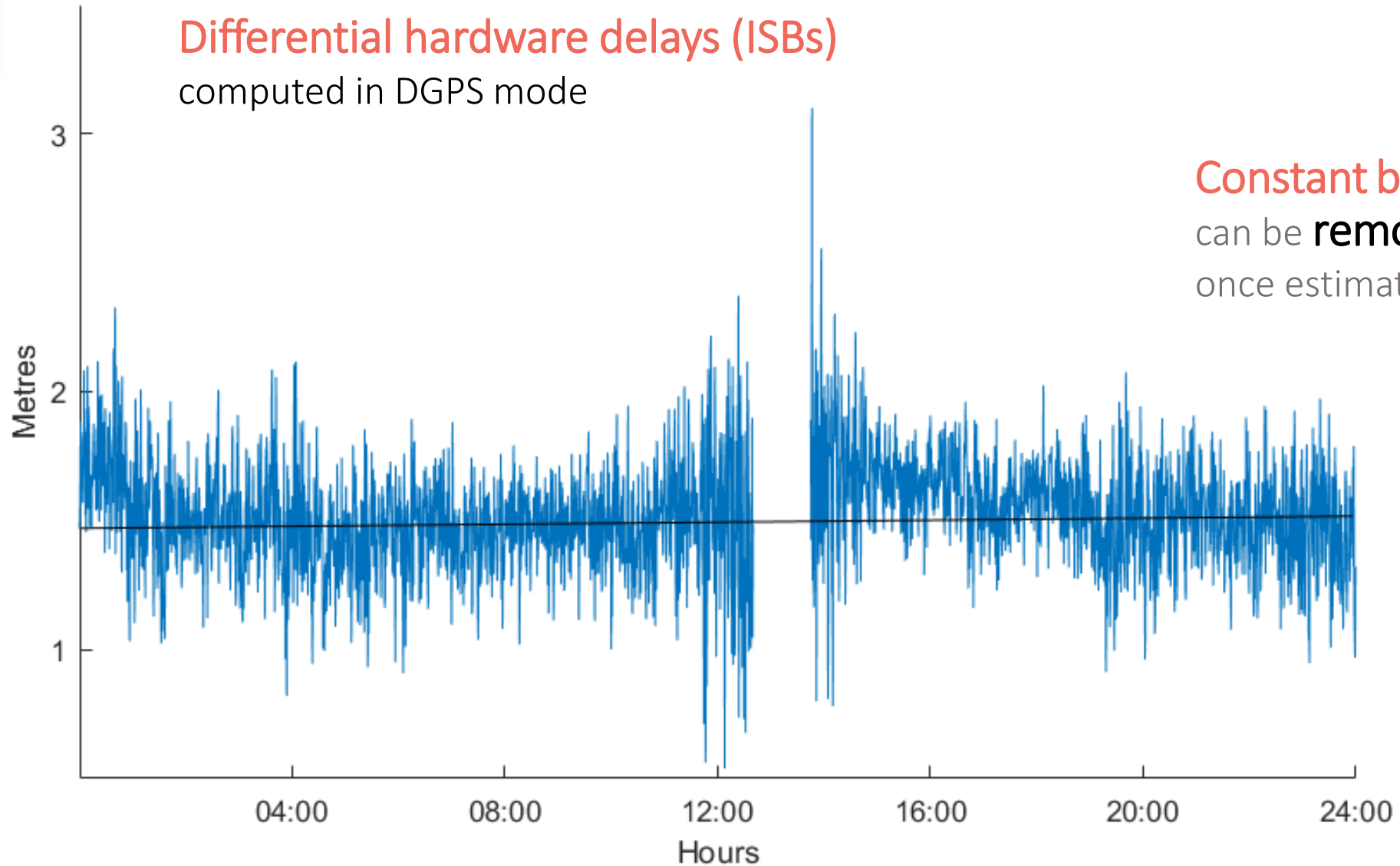
Coordinate systems

lead to **additional biases!**

Hardware delays

Differential hardware delays (ISBs)

computed in DGPS mode



Constant biases:
can be **removed**
once estimated!



Conclusions

Multi-GNSS positioning improves solutions computed with Galileo-only and BeiDou-only satellite systems by reducing the PDOP and increasing the number of visible satellites

In challenging environments with high multipath, multi-GNSS allow the use of higher masks of elevation, thus leading to more precise positioning results

In DGPS, the **biases** introduced by the multi-GNSS mode **are constant** with high-end receivers, and may be removed.

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