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New Technology for PNT Resilience

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This Board Understands

Protect, Toughen, Augment: Words to the Wise from GPS Founder

"What can we do to reduce the vulnerability [of GPS] and ensure that the expectations of the public are going to be met?" asked Dr. Bradford Parkinson as he opened his presentation this morning (Tuesday, April 15) at the European Navigation Conference, ENC-GNSS 2014 in Rotterdam, The Netherlands.

Parkinson went through his 61-slide, 50-minute briefing on what he called "PTA" — Protect, Toughen, and Augment — a proposal concerning not only GPS but PNT systems globally. An article by Parkinson based on this talk will highlight the special 25th Anniversary edition of *GPS World*, to appear in conjunction with this year's July issue.



Brad Parkinson

After briefly overviewing the many worldwide applications of GPS and its penetration and participation in several vital markets, Parkinson stated "If we want to ensure the economic benefits of GPS, there are some essential needs that a user has. The first need is availability, and I'm defining availability in a certain way. It's at the required accuracy for the application involved, and it has a bound on the random events that happen out there.

"The second required aspect is integrity, as in 'I know I'm getting this accuracy, the system is not lying to me.' In many cases, it's required that the system not lie to you TODAY'S NEWS April 2014

"GPS is Vulnerable" Dr. Brad Parkinson

Space Foundation Report Shows Growth in Global Space Economy

GPS Developers, Manufacturers Highlighted in New Report





A High-Level Overview

- What has Locata done?
- How is it achieved?
- Where does it lead?



New Positioning Technology

- Locata is a new commercially-developed TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM that LOCALLY can INDEPENDENTLY replicate <u>all</u> P-N-T functions of a satellite-based constellation
- So... in any area a customer wants to cover Locata looks the same as GPS, Glonass, Galileo, BeiDou...
- In a suitably equipped receiver, Locata is used in a navigation solution as

"just another constellation"



Locata - A New PNT Tool



A POWERFUL & FLEXIBLE INVENTION DELIVERS NEW TOOLS TO LOCALLY AUGMENT OR REPLACE GNSS



Locata in a Nutshell

Locata delivers all that GPS does... except the <u>G</u>

In any Locata-enabled local coverage area the Locata PNT result is completely indistinguishable from that of GNSS



What Have We Invented?

Locata is a...

"LOCAL CONSTELLATION"

- "LOCAL" can be any size, for example:
- A room or warehouse (100's mtrs²)
- A campus or open-cut mine (<10's km²)</p>
- Airport area coverage (100's km²)
- Wide-area, range or city-wide (1,000's km²)

Meet a LocataLite

UNIQUE: world-first device



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UNIQUE: world-first device



REMARKABLE: nanosecond synchronisation

FOUNDATION: of new enabling technology



Key Technology Advance

Locata = Synchronization

Invented **TimeLoc**

≈1 nanosecond level

WITHOUT ATOMIC CLOCKS!



How is Locata like GPS?

Both GPS and Locata are one-way ranging systems.

- Small number of transmitters, providing good geometry, can serve an unlimited number of receivers.
- Location of the receiver is known only at the receiver.

Similar signal structure and the same measurements

- Locata and GPS are both direct sequence spread spectrum signals.
- Both receivers generate pseudorange and carrier phase measurements.
- Both receivers can use the pseudorange or carrier phase for positioning.
 - Pseudorange positioning for both is in the order of a meter.
 - Carrier phase positioning for both is in the order of a centimeter.

From a user perspective...

Locata is "just another constellation"

DOPs matter, just as with GPS.



How is Locata not like GPS?

Locata is "a Local Constellation"

- Cover only areas that need coverage.
- Add additional transmitters where additional coverage strength (for redundancy, reliability, integrity, etc) is required.
- Design a constellation for specific local needs: a "GPS hotspot"
- Today... Locata utilizes freely available spectrum in the 2.4 GHz ISM band and complies with FCC guidelines for transmitters in that band.
- Received signals are <u>much</u> stronger from local Locata transmitters.
 - Typical Locata received signal strengths range from -60 dBm to -105 dBm. Strongest GPS open-sky signals are -125 dBm.
 - No need for longer integration periods to receive weak signals.
- → Allows a constellation where GPS cannot reach ←



Locata and GPS – Side by Side

LOCATA	GPS
Ground based	Satellite based
Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS) signal structure	Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS) signal structure
2.4 GHz open access ISM band	1.575 MHz licensed navigation band
Unlimited number of receivers	Unlimited number of receivers
Complexity is in the <i>LocataLites</i> . Receivers are simple in design and operation	Complexity is in the satellites and ground control segment. Receivers are simple in design and operation
Range and phase measurements (today) at rates up to 50 Hz	Range and phase measurements at rates dependent on receiver (25 Hz or greater is typical)
Position accuracy is primarily determined by DOPs	Position accuracy is primarily determined by DOPs
DOPs are user configurable. <i>LocataLites</i> can be placed to suit the application.	DOPs are not user configurable. The satellites are where they are.
Terrestrial system allows great control of almost all operational parameters; great design flexibility	Space-based system is completely out of the user's control; little design flexibility once launched



IMPORTANT

Locata transceivers ARE NOT pseudolites!

They ARE devices that <u>TimeLoc</u>
to create local
<u>autonomous</u> <u>synchronized</u> networks
which look like GPS



A Glimpse into the Future

How well does it work??

Example applications already deployed by our early-stage partners



CASE STUDY

US AIR FORCE

NEW TRUTH REFERENCE SYSTEM
IN GPS-DENIED ENVIRONMENTS

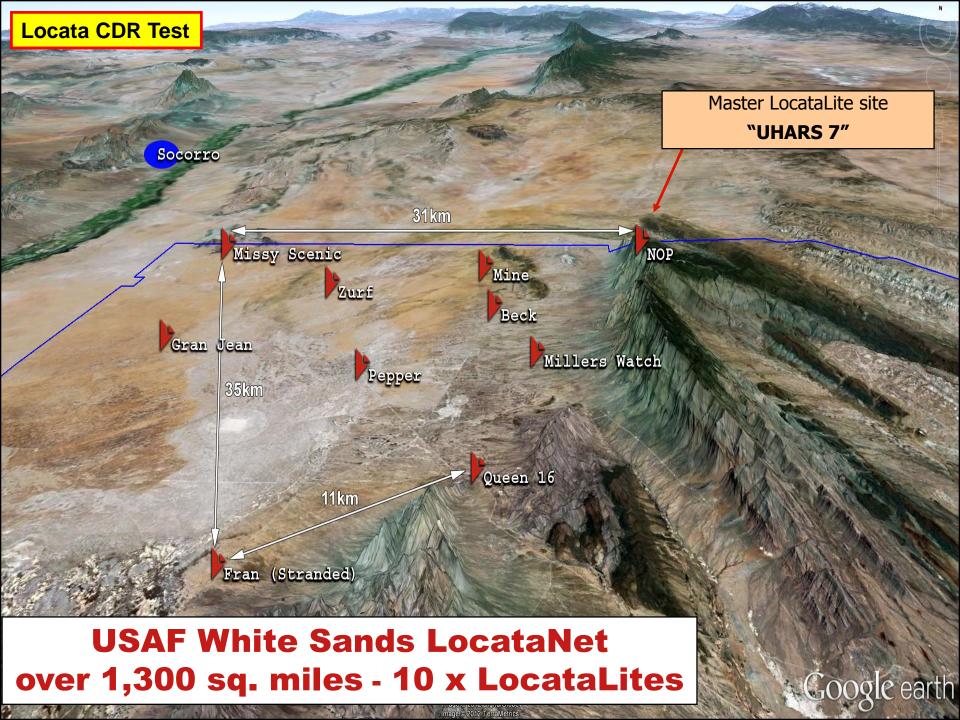
WORLD-FIRST CAPABILITIES



USAF - White Sands Missile Range



CHALLENGE put to Locata: cover large area in New Mexico











The current
USAF Truth Reference
payload on 746TS
aircraft

For CDR trials an unmodified commercial Locata receiver was compared to this unit



Results?

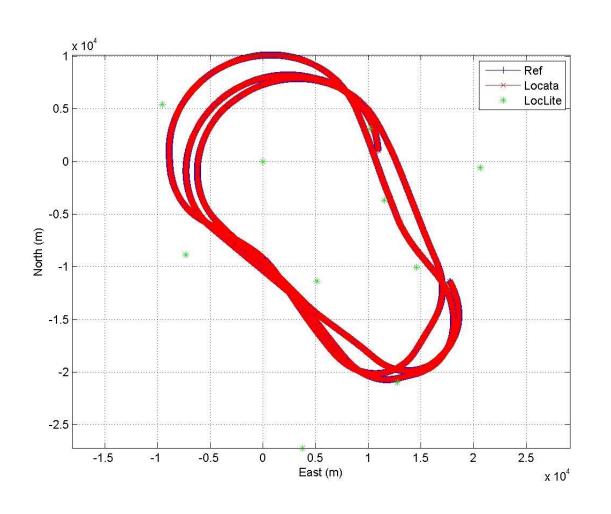
USAF CDR Acceptance Tests

White Sands Missile Range, NM Results Generated by USAF

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Locata Results at White Sands



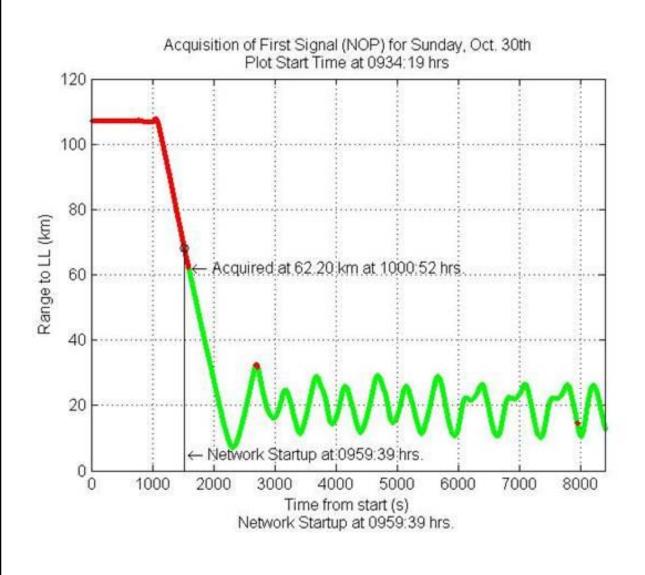
Example Flight

Aircraft @ 25,000 ft @ up to 300 kts

Example: ~30 minutes of one typical test flight



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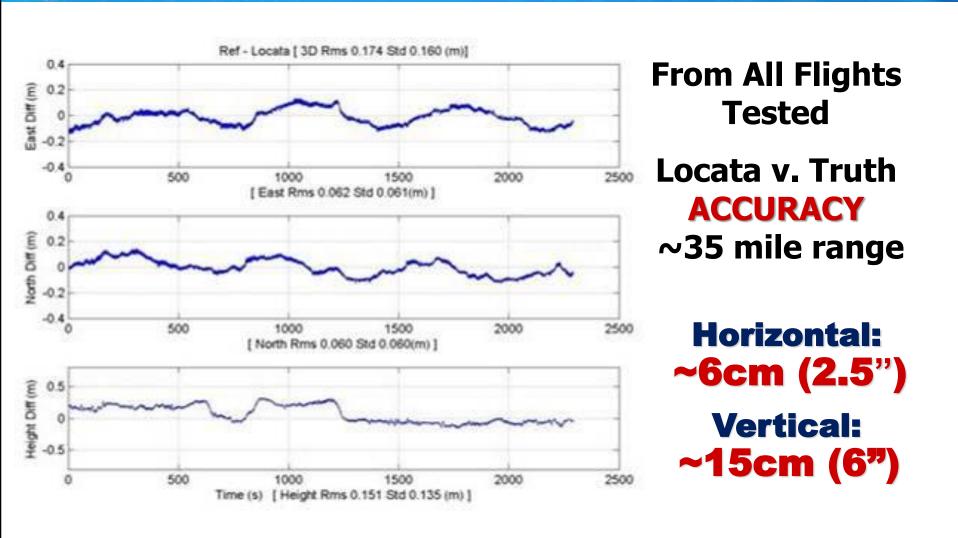
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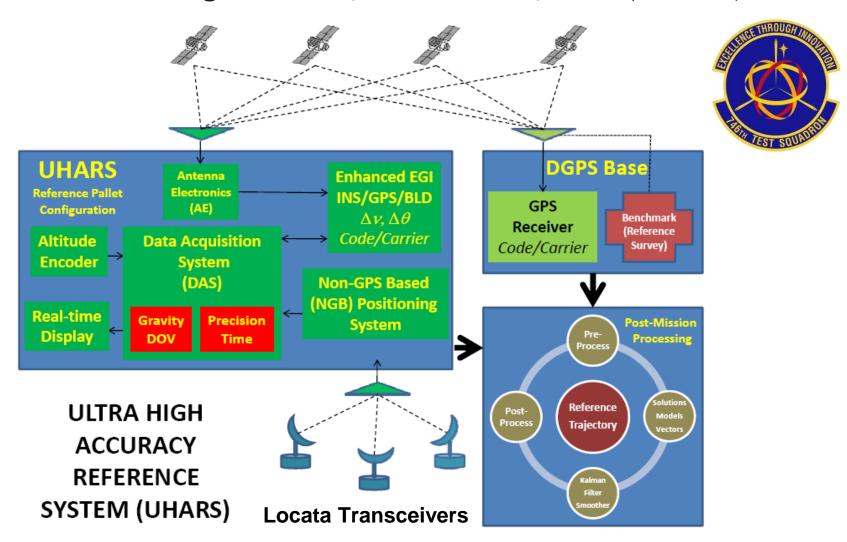
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New USAF GPS Truth System

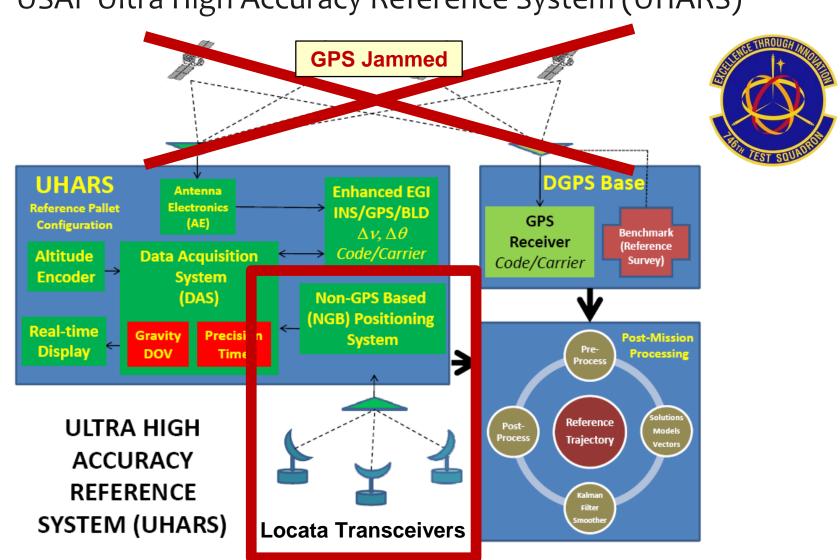
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USAF Contract

- Multi-year sole-source contract
- First White Sands installation to blanket up to 2,500 square miles of the Range
- 13 year contract to deliver support and upgrades through to year 2025
- Locata partners build & install
- Locata is the key component for USAF's next-gen GPS Truth Reference System



White Sands Install Under Way

Locata system operational at WSMR in Q3/2014



Locata
partner
TMC testing first
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Example Future Use - UAV Back-up Zone





CASE STUDY

LEICA GEOSYSTEMS

RESPECTED PRO GPS COMPANY NOW **SELLING** A NEW MINING SYSTEM WHICH **REPLICATES GPS** IN THE PIT

WORLD-FIRST CAPABILITIES



Leica Geosystems Locata-enabled GNSS Augmentation for Mining

Craig Robertson - Mining Division, Hexagon Geosystems









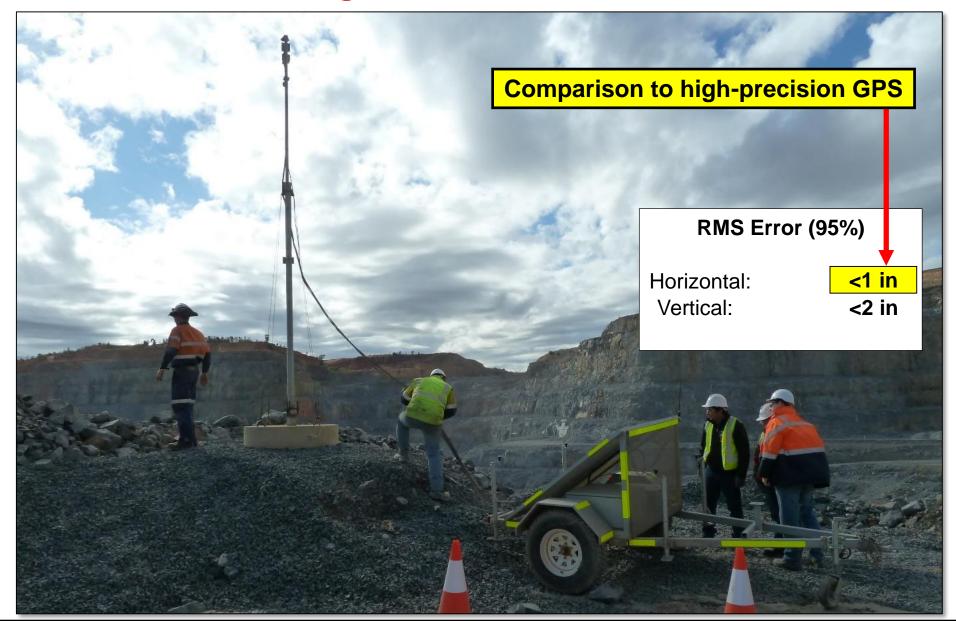
Leica JPS - Powered by Locata

- World's first commercial, fully-operational LocataNet for mining
- Located 140 kms (90 miles) south of Perth in Western Australia
- Consists of two Pits, North and South Pit. South Pit is now about 300m (1000ft) deep, going to over 850m (2800ft)





Leica production version now installed & operational in 2 pits at Newmont's Boddington Gold Mine in Western Australia

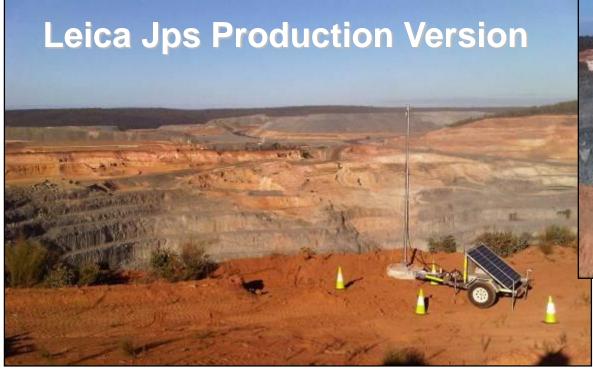


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As of May 2014 LocataNet running with:

- 4 Semi-permanent fixed LocataLite sites
- 12 mobile trailers
- Locata receivers installed and running on Drills, Shovels & other heavy machinery

Newmont now mandated <u>all</u> high-precision machines in mine <u>must</u> be fitted with Locata



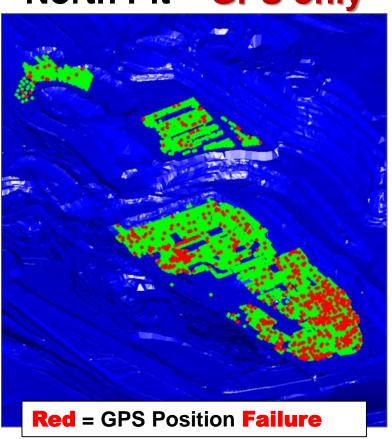




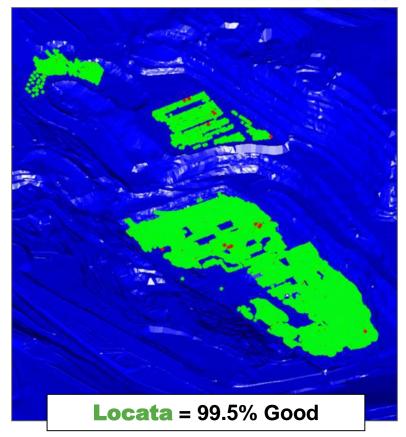
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Drill Performance – Typical availability over 1 week

North Pit – GPS only



North Pit – With Locata









World first: GNSS+Locata receiver







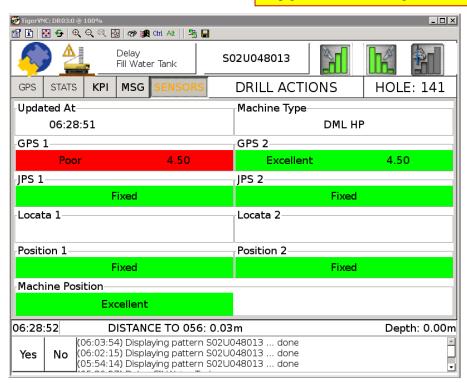
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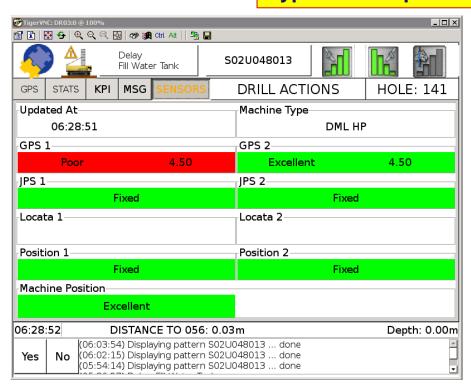
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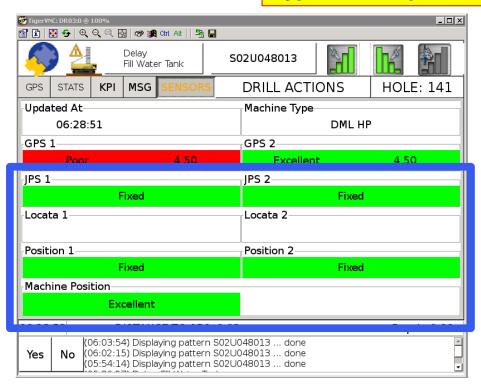




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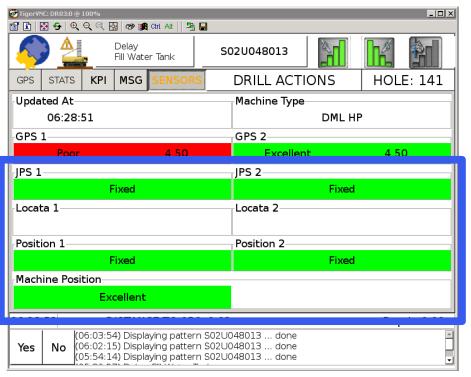


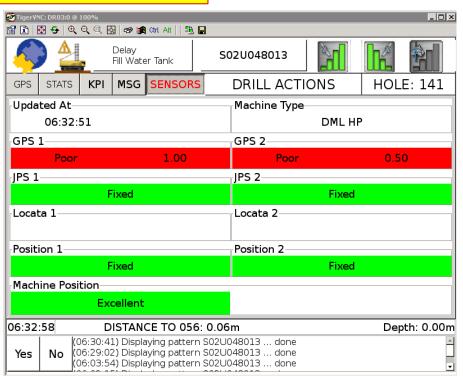


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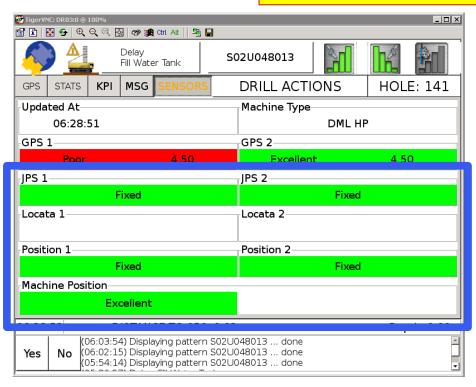




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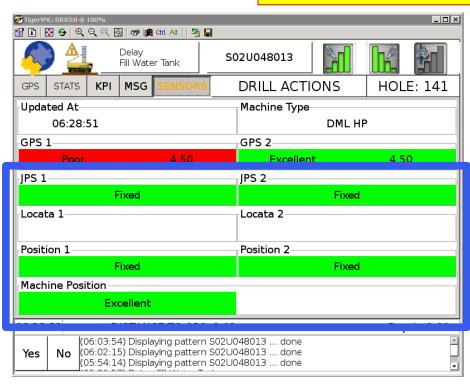


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This is EXACTLY What We Need

What happened here?

NO GPS.
STILL WORKS
LIKE GPS.



What does Locata's development now deliver to radiopositioning?

Illustrative examples of NEW CAPABILITIES available from Locata integration



- GNSS: Extremely weak signal easy to block/jam/spoof/accidentally interfere
- LOCATA: Increase power to the level required to resist jammer. So...
- Much harder to "hide jammer" because jamming signal must be more powerful – jammers <u>much</u> easier to find



- GNSS: Cannot guarantee adequate number of signals (or their quality) for many apps.
 "You get what you get"
- LOCATA: "You design what you need"
- Locata ICD already allows for 200 Locata signals in view. Even more can be added...
- Place transmitters as required or needed move, remove, add, modify... etc



- GNSS: Global infrastructure is critically dependent on the "superb clock in the sky"
- LOCATA: TIME SYNCHRONISATION is the core invention – it's what we do!
- Distribute NANOSECOND-LEVEL TIME over specified area WITHOUT requiring cables or physical links – easy to add "nodes"
- Excellent, distributed time sync "back-up"



- GNSS: Space-based so very expensive to design, launch, maintain, modernise...
- LOCATA: Very inexpensive "nodes"
- Only used where required GPS hotspot
- NO SINGLE POINT OF FAILURE. Similar to Internet Model of cheap, redundant and easily deployed nodes: Total Local Control



- GNSS: It takes 15-30 YEARS for a satellite constellation to change or "modernise". We believe this is now untenable given the relative development rate of new threats
- LOCATA: Can evolve at a rate that keeps it relevant to new electronic developments
- Satellite-based systems will never be able to evolve or up-date at a similar rate



- GNSS: Civilian signals not secure –
 no encryption or authentication
- LOCATA: Can readily be encrypted
- Signals can be evolved rapidly to take up "most modern" authentication methods
- As required, both public <u>and</u> secure signals can be transmitted simultaneously

GNSS+Locata receiver in production







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Partner Applications Now Underway

PORT AUTOMATION for large machines

- Extremely difficult multipath areas
- cm-level positioning with no GNSS
- Will deliver large efficiency gains to ports

STRUCTURAL MONITORING

- Demonstrating mm-level precision with transmitters over 3 km away
- Dam deformation, bridges, buildings, etc



Partner Applications Now Underway

CAR INDUSTRY for collision avoidance

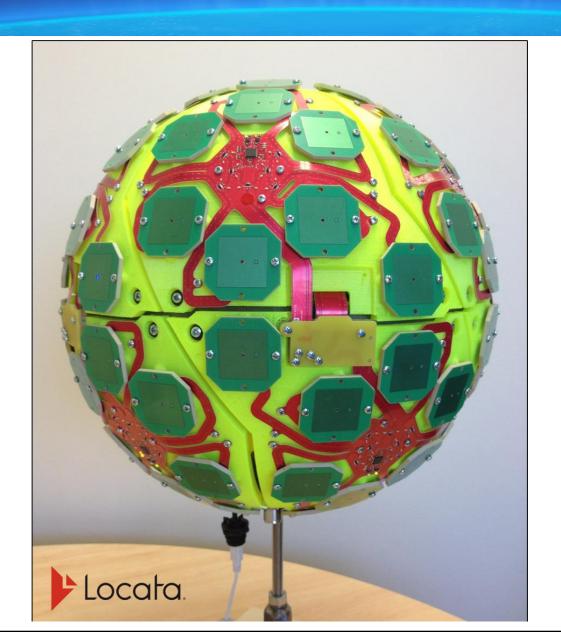
- Working with Vehicle Research Centre (world-leading test facility - Virginia, USA)
- cm-level position for cars outdoor & indoor

TIME TRANSFER at nanosecond level

- Already demonstrated ≈ 50 mile radius (cover infrastructure in ≈7,500 sq miles)
- For cell tower synchronization and other precise time for large areas (e.g. city-wide)



New Indoor Positioning Technology



Locata VRAY Orb Antenna

Available Now

MULTIPATH SOLUTION FOR LARGE MACHINES

- ✓ Warehousing
- ✓ Supply-chain
- **✓** Ports
- ✓ Machine automation
- **✓** Indoor positioning
- ✓ Industrial environments

MANY SMALLER VARIANTS COMING



IMPORTANT

US Air Force Institute of Technology

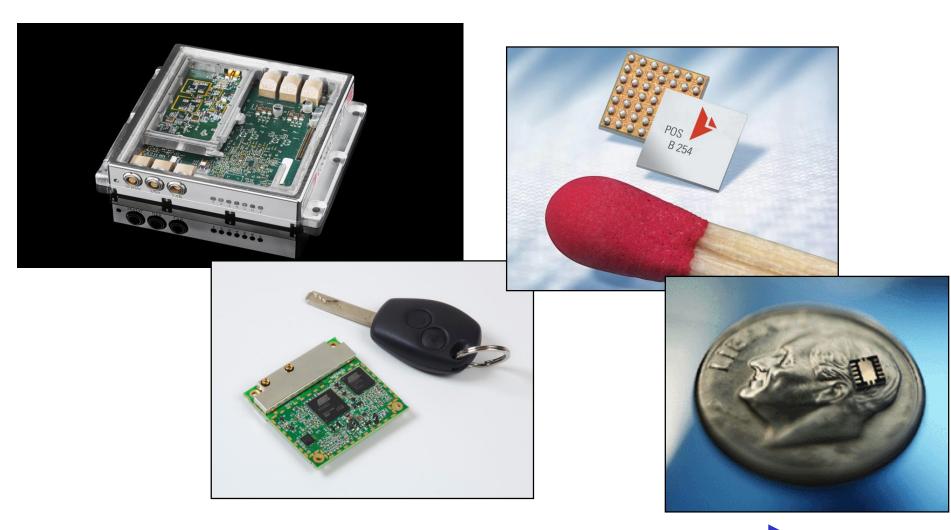
AFIT & LOCATA NOW WORKING TO IMPROVE GPS AS WELL...

TAKING LOCATA VRAY MULTIPATH MITIGATION CORRELATOR INTO NEXT-GEN GPS DEVICES

EVOLVING A COMPLETELY **NEW GPS CAPABILITY**



Product Evolution



Now

+5 yrs



What the World Needs Now

Sustained **Upgraded** Precision Augmented PNT

Satellite + Terrestrial = Inevitable



Take-away Message

Locata is an IMPORTANT ADVANCE delivering new terrestrial capabilities for next-gen SUPA-PNT

These are early days and Locata will only get better from here

Locata is a AVAILABLE TO ALL partners for more development...



Positioning for the Future

