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RD04	**J. Kouba, P. Heroux, 2002, *"Precise Point Positioning Using IGS Orbit and Clock Products,"* GPS Solutions, Vol 5, No. 2, 12-28**
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ACRONYMS

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BIPM	**Bureau International de Poids et Mesures, Sèvres, France**
CGGTTS	**CCTF Generic GNSS Time Transfer Standard**
ESTEC	**European Space Technology Centre, European Space Agency, Noordwijk, NL**
EURAMET	**The European Association of National Metrology Institutes**
IGS	**International GNSS Service**
GNSS	**Global Navigation Satellite System**
ORB	**Observatoire Royal Belgique**
PPP	**Precise Point Positioning**
PTB	**Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt, Braunschweig, Germany**
RINEX	**Receiver Independent Exchange Format**
R2CGGTTS	**RINEX-to CGGTTS conversion software, provided by ORB / BIPM**
TDEV	**Time deviation**
TIC	**Time interval counter**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As part of the support of the BIPM Time and Frequency Group by EURAMET, PTB conducted a relative calibration of the GNSS equipment of ESTEC with respect to the calibration of PTB receiver PT02, whose last calibration was reported with Cal_Id=1001-2016 [RD01]. PTB provided its receiver PTBT for the purpose as travelling equipment.

The current campaign followed as much as possible the BIPM Guide [RD02] and results will be reported using Cal_Id 1019_2016. Results provided are the visited receivers' internal delays for GPS P-code signals on the two frequencies L1 and L2 (INT DLY (P1), and INT DLY(P2)). The delays for the C/A-code signals on L1 and for GLONASS signals were not determined during this campaign.

The final results are included in Table 9-1. The internal delays of 5 receivers were determined with an uncertainty of about 1 ns for P1 and 0.8 ns for P2, respectively. The uncertainty for P3 time transfer links to PTB is of the order 1.5 ns for all receivers.

As a reminder: All uncertainty values reported in this document are 1-σ values.

1. CONTENTS OF THE REPORT

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The determination of the internal delay values of the receivers at the visited sites is a three-step process.

At first (Common-clock 1, CC1) the travelling receiver, PTBT, is compared to the “golden” receiver, PT02, and the offset between the actual and the assumed PTBT delay values is determined.

After that the receiver is installed at ESTEC and the internal delay values of the devices under test and their statistical properties are determined.

Finally, the stability of the PTBT delay is assessed by a second common-clock measurement (CC2) in PTB. Based thereon, the “final” INT DLY values of the visited receivers and their uncertainty values are calculated.

The structure of this report follows this sequence of work. After presentation of the participants and schedule, a general section follows that contains the (mathematical) calibration procedure, followed by a report of data collection at PTB and ESTEC. The final results and the uncertainty discussion close the report. In the Annex the BIPM information tables are reproduced.

2. PARTICIPANTS AND SCHEDULE

Table 2-1: List of participants

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Table 2-2: Schedule of the campaign

Date	Institute	Action	Remarks
2017-01-25 until 2017-02-01	PTB	First common-clock comparison between PTBT and PT02	8 days used for evaluation, MJD 57778 – 57785 (incl.)
2017-02-24 Until 2017-03-08	ESTEC	Operation of PTBT and five GNSS receivers in parallel	10 days used for evaluation, MJD 57808 – 57817 (incl.)
Starting 2017-04-01	PTB	Operation of PTBT after return	8 days used for evaluation, MJD 57844 – 57851 (incl.)

Information on the receivers at each site is contained in individual information tables which can be found in the Annex.

3. CALIBRATION PROCEDURE

The calculation of INT DLY values for the receiver to be calibrated follows the description given in BIPM TM.212 [RD03] and has been coded in software routine cv.py written by Julia Leute of PTB. The following text piece that describes its function is generated via copy-paste from [RD03] with small changes of the designation of quantities.

When dealing with G1G2 calibrations, in principal we distinguish receivers V, T, and G: V for visited, T for travelling, and G for golden_reference. G1 labs committed to ship their T to the other sites. In the current campaign, PT02 (named PTBB when referred to as IGS station) serves as the reference receiver G, its internal delays were recently determined by BIPM in the second G1 campaign with the identifier Cal_Id=1001-2016. PTBT served as the travelling receiver T.

Conventionally, the receiver delay D is considered as the sum of different terms that are defined subsequently:

(1) INT DLY

The sum $X_R + X_S$ represents the “INT DLY” field in the CGGTTS header:
X_R represents the receiver hardware delay, between a reference point whose definition depends on the receiver type and the internal time reference of the measurements. X_S represents the antenna delay, between the phase center and the antenna cable connector at the antenna body. We distinguish the two quantities for the two frequencies, 1 and 2.

INT DLY(P1) and INT DLY(P2) of receiver V are the basic quantities that are determined during the relative calibration. For calculating ionosphere—free observation data, INT DLY(P3) is calculated as 2.54×INT DLY(P1) - 1.54×INT DLY(P2).

The following terms are considered frequency independent, i. e. no distinction is made for P1 and P2 and other signal frequencies.

(2) CAB DLY

The sum $X_C + X_D$ represents the “CAB DLY” field in the CGGTTS header.
X_C corresponds to the delay of the long cable from the antenna to the input connector at either the antenna splitter or the receiver body directly. If a splitter is installed, X_D corresponds to the delay of the splitter and the small cable up to the receiver body. For a simple set-up with just an antenna cable, $X_D = 0$.

(3) REF DLY

The sum $X_P + X_O$ represents the “REF DLY” field in the CGGTTS header.
X_P corresponds to the delay of the cable between the laboratory reference point for local UTC and the 1 PPS-in connector of the receiver.
X_O corresponds to the delay between the 1PPS-in connector and the receiver internal reference point, the latter depending on the receiver type:

- For Ashtech Z12-T: The first positive zero crossing of the inverted 20 MHz-in following the 1PPS-in, delayed by 15.8 ns,

- For Septentrio PolaRx2: The 1PPS-out, delayed by 8.7 ns,
- For Septentrio PolaRx4: The 1 PPS-out, no further correction
- For DICOM GTR50 and GTR51: The 1PPS-in, i.e. $X_O = 0$,
- For Javad/Topcon: The first positive zero crossing of the 5/10 MHz-in following the 1PPS-in.
- For TTS-4: RD02, Section 2.3.2, and Annex G specify the procedure for TTS-4, which in detail depends on the software version.

Details of the measurement procedures for the Ashtech Z12-T are given in the BIPM calibration guideline [RD02], but the parameters of PT02 were not determined again on occasion of the current campaign.

The distinction of the individual components of the receiver delay reflects the fact that two of them, 2 and 3, can in principle be measured with standard laboratory equipment. Changes of the receiver installation typically affect cabling and thus such delays. As an alternative, the sum of the three terms CAB DLY + INT DLY – REF DLY is designated as TOT DLY (frequency dependent) and reported instead of the individual terms. This practice was chosen for the receivers ES05, ES06, and ES07. In the following description we keep the practice speaking of INT DLY.

The quantity to be determined by the relative calibration is INT DLY: INT DLY of the device under test is determined in such a way that the common-clock differences obtained between the device under test and the reference are zero on average. The INT DLY of T may need to be adjusted so that T and G match, but in practice the small correction needed is taken into account only when INT DLY of V is adjusted to G, using T as intermediate for the measurements made at the different sites.

In the process followed by PTB, valid CGGTTS files with dual frequency observation (L3P) data (including correct, accurate antenna coordinates) are needed. As a reminder,

$$\mathrm{REFGPS}(k) = [\mathrm{REFGPS}_{\mathrm{RAW}}(k) - \mathrm{CAB\ DLY}_F - \mathrm{INT\ DLY}(P3) + \mathrm{REF\ DLY}_F], \quad (1a)$$

or

$$\mathrm{REFGPS}(k) = [\mathrm{REFGPS}_{\mathrm{RAW}}(k) - \mathrm{TOT\ DLY}(P3)_F], \quad (1b)$$

where REFGPS(k) is reported in column 10 of the standard CGGTTS files, $\mathrm{REFGPS}_{\mathrm{RAW}}$ designates the uncorrected measurement values, INT DLY(P3) is calculated as $2.54 \times \mathrm{INT\ DLY}(P1)_F - 1.54 \times \mathrm{INT\ DLY}\ (P2)_F$, and the values Q_F are reported in the CGGTTS file header.

The software cv.py in calibration mode is used to calculate:

$$\mathrm{REFGPS}_{P1}(j) = \mathrm{REFGPS}(j) + \mathrm{MDIO}(j) \quad (2a)$$

$$\mathrm{REFGPS}_{P2}(j) = \mathrm{REFGPS}(j) + \mathrm{MDIO}(j) + ((f_1/f_2)^2 - 1) \times \mathrm{MSIO}(j), \quad (2b)$$

where $(f_1/f_2)^2 = 1.647$ for GPS for each satellite observation j and REFGPS(j), MDIO(j), and MSIO(j) are from the line in the CGGTTS file that reports the observation j. Eq. 2a and 2b build on the rules how CGGTTS L3P data lines are generated.

If the common-view condition is fulfilled for the observations with T and G, the differences

$$\Delta Pi: = REFGPS_{Pi}(T) - REFGPS_{Pi}(G) \quad (3)$$

are calculated. The example here involves G and T; equivalent relations hold for the pair of receivers T and V.

cv.py at the end of the computation edits the median value of all individual observations ΔPi for P1 and P2, and the number of data points used. In addition cv.py generates a file deltap_stats that contains observation epoch (MJD.frakt) and the average ΔP1, ΔP2 of all satellite observations at that epoch. Such values are plotted throughout the report in the various figures.

The calculation of the INT DLY values comprises two steps:

Step 1: INT DLY(Pi)_T_corr = ΔPi(T,G) + INT DLY(Pi)_T_F, (4)

where the last summand >_F < is the value reported in the CGGTTS file.

Step 2: The final results for receiver V is to be calculated as

INT DLY(Pi)_V_new = ΔPi(V,T) + <ΔPi(T,G)> + INT DLY(Pi)_V_F, (5)

where <ΔPi(T,G)> is the mean value obtained during CC1 and CC2. Another option would have been to adjust the INT DLY of receiver T after CC1, but this was not done.

The third summand in (5) on the right represents the INT DLY value that was reported previously in the CGGTTS file of receiver V. In many cases this value was zero (as in case of the ESTEC receivers, as example).

4. CHARACTERIZATION OF PTB EQUIPMENT

The receiver PTBT was functionally tested before shipment to ESTEC institute after it had returned from repair of the host PC that includes the GPS receiver board. The comparison results against PT02 are shown in Figure 4-1. During the first days, the delay parameters had not been entered correctly. The installation of the receivers in PTB is depicted in Figure 4-2 for 1 PPS signals and in Figure 4-3 for 5 MHz signals. The PT02 and PT03 receivers are supplied with 20 MHz from a times 4 multiplier.

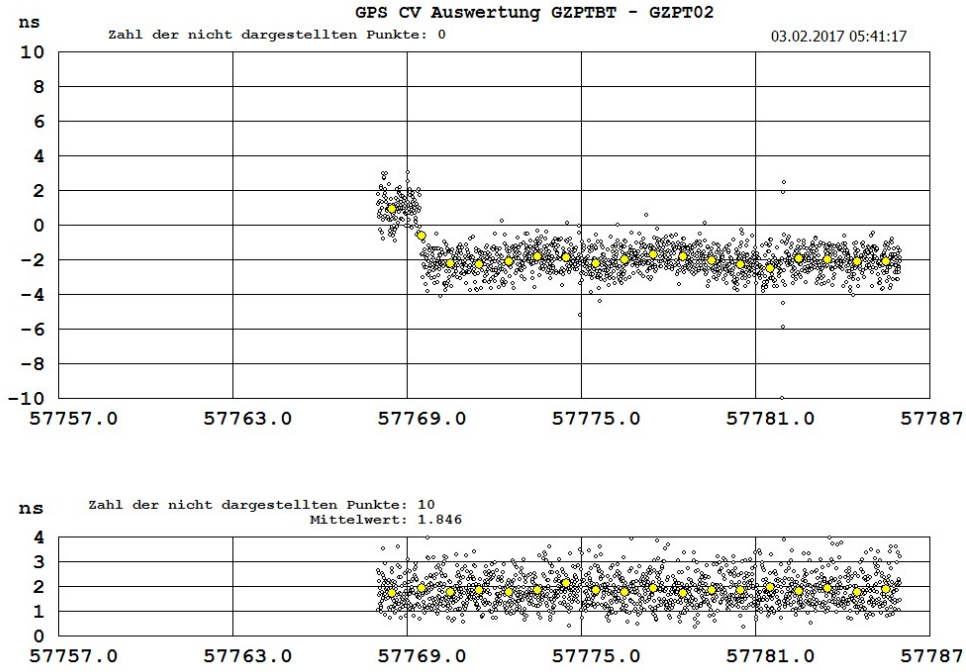


Figure 4-1: Common-clock common-view comparison between PTBT and PT02 at PTB, daily mean values (yellow) and 16-min avg data (grey), time differences (upper graph) and standard deviation (lower graph)

We note from Figure 4-1 that PTBT and PT02 are indeed not perfectly aligned. The correct PTBT INT DLY(Pi) values to be used in the calculation of INT DLY of receivers V is determined using eq. (5) as explained before.

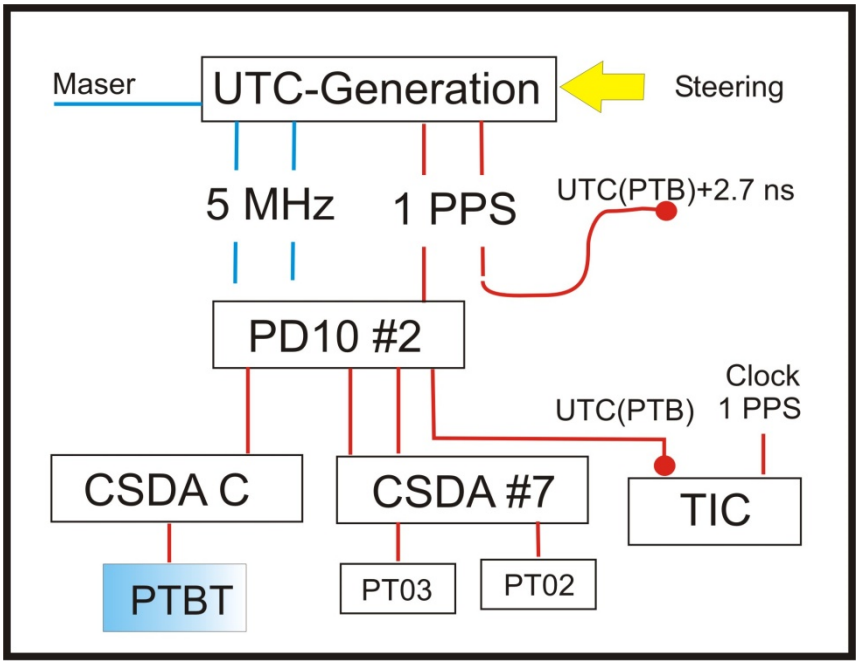


Figure 4-2: UTC(PTB) reference point and 1 PPS signal distribution to PT02, PT03 and PTBT

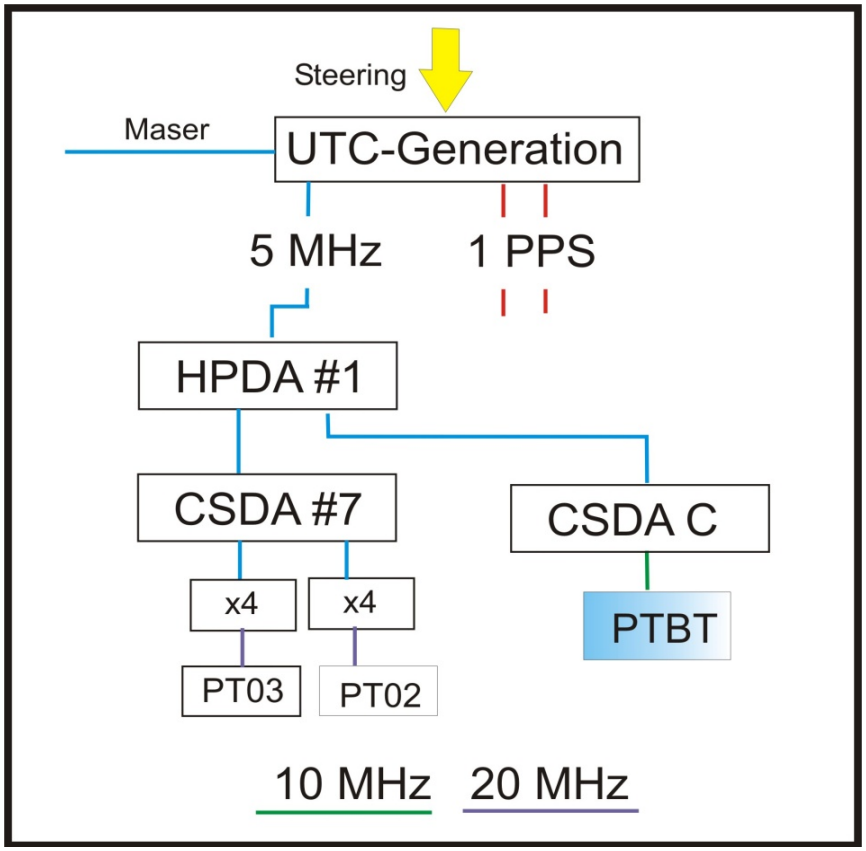


Figure 4-3: UTC(PTB) signal distribution (5 MHz, 10 MHz, 20 MHz) to PT02, PT03 and PTBT

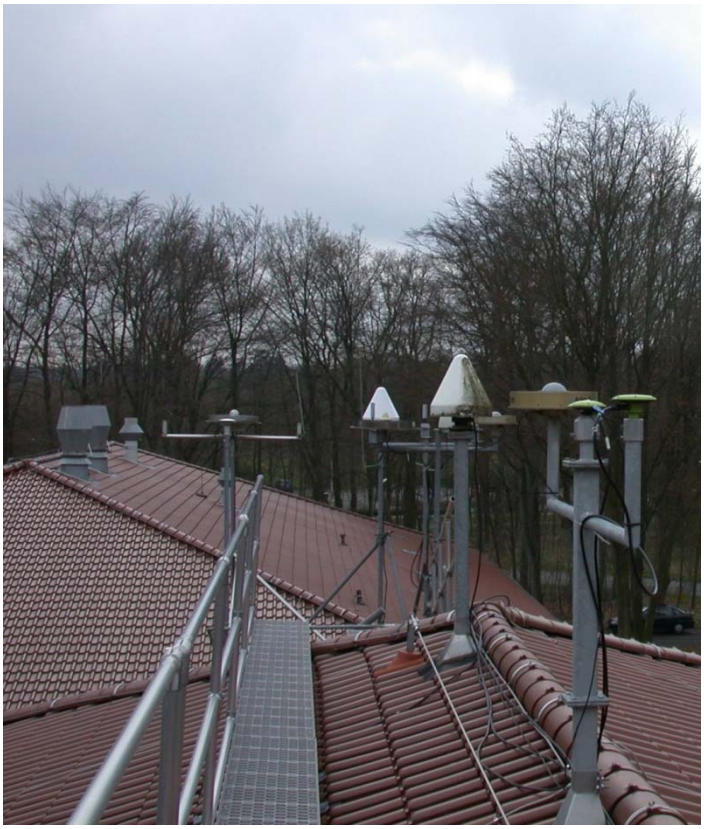


Figure 4-4: Installation of GNSS antennas at PTB

Figure 4-4 illustrates the installation of GNSS antennas on the roof of the PTB time laboratory (clock hall). The two Ashtech SNOW antennas (with dome) belong to PT03 (background) and PT02 (middle). The PTBT antenna was mounted on the mast in the forefront and replaced the choke-ring antenna that was mounted at the time when the picture was taken.

The campaign after all lasted about 70 days. In Figure 4-5 the common-view common-clock time differences between PT03 and PT02 is shown. We note a trend of about 0.25 ns over the full interval that is not seen in comparisons of PT03 with other receivers. This instability of PT02 is reflected in part in the difference between the two common-clock campaigns (see below) and thus reflected in the calibration uncertainty

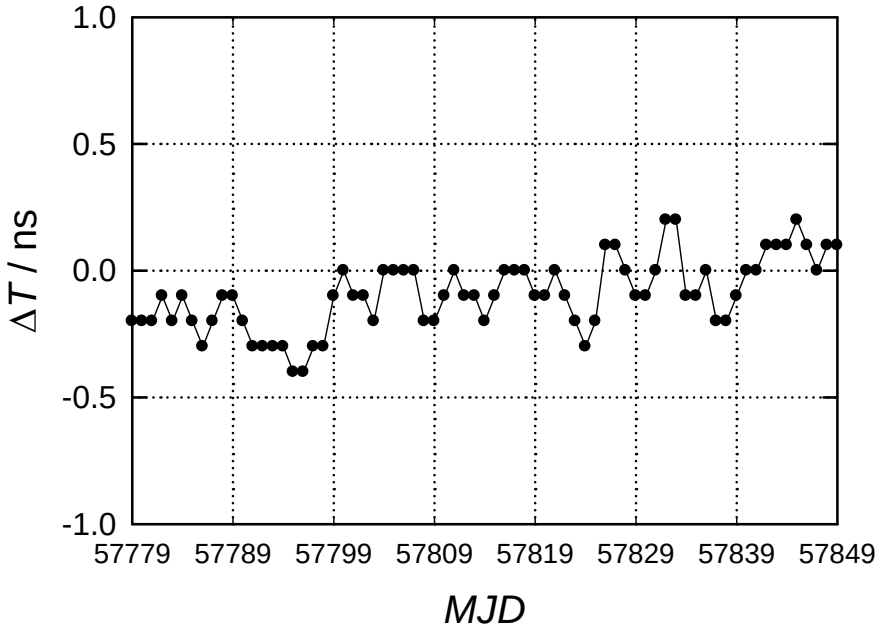


Figure 4-5: Daily mean time difference Δ*T* between the two PTB receivers, PT03 – PT02, during the period of the calibration campaign.

5. RESULTS OF COMMON-CLOCK SET-UP IN PTB: PERIOD 1

The period 57778 to 57785 (8 days) was chosen to determine the initial PTBT INT DLY values (CC1). The result of comparison with PT02 as the reference are shown in Figure 5-1 illustrating in total 622 ΔPi (see eq. 3) values obtained as mean over all common view observations at a given epoch. The time instability (TDEV) plots for the two data sets follow as Figure 5-2. The numerical results are given in the Summary sub-section at the end of the report on CC2 in PTB.

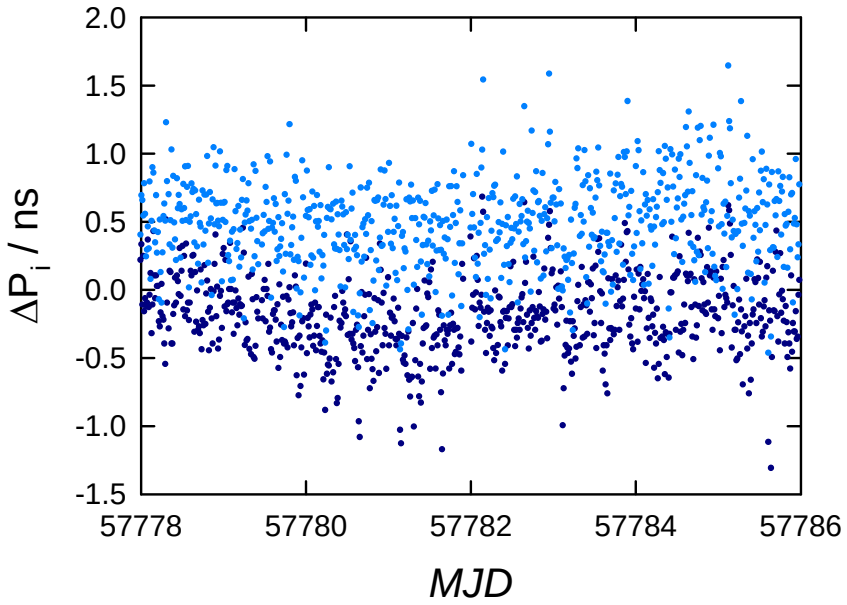


Figure 5-1: ΔP1 (dark blue) and ΔP2 (light blue) values obtained during the first common-clock set-up in PTB.

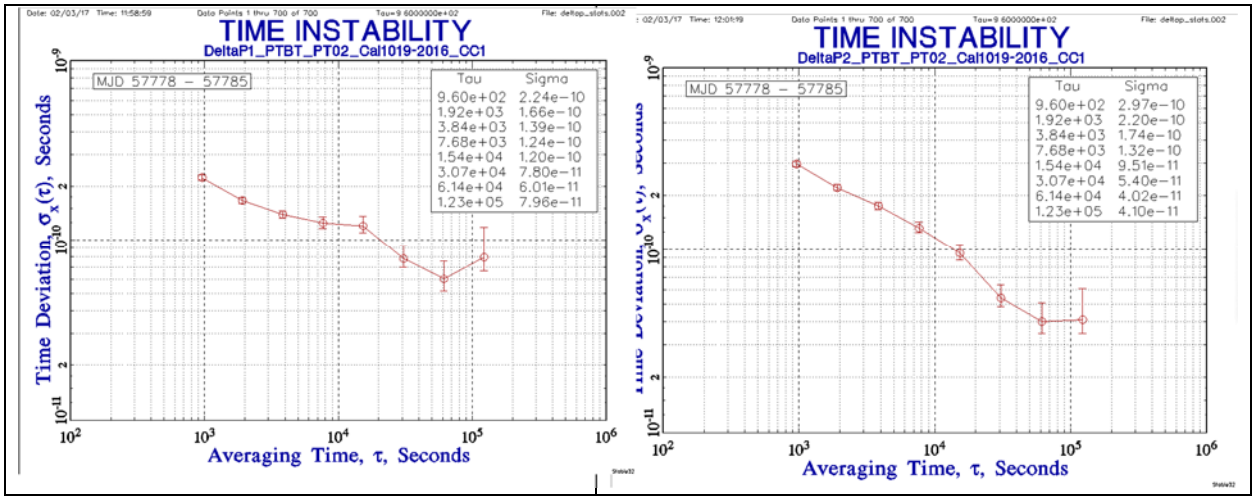


Figure 5-2: TDEV obtained for the two data sets shown in, ΔP1 left, ΔP2 right.

The INT DLY(Pi) of PTBT have not been corrected for the offsets shown in Figure 5-1 before shipment. Instead, the individual value found for the visited receivers will be corrected for the mean value obtained after the second common-clock set-up (see eq. 5)).

6. OPERATION OF PTBT IN ESTEC

PTBT was operated at ESTEC for 13 days but only the ten days between MJD 57808 and 57817 (2017-02-24 – 2017-03-05) were used for the data analysis. In parallel, 5 local GNSS receivers were operated, four made by Septentrio but coming in different versions, and one GTR51 from MESIT. There designations are ES03, ES04, ES05, ES06 and ES07. Details on the receivers and their installation are given in the Annex. The antenna coordinates were determined in current ITRF shortly before the campaign for the four masts in use.

The installation of the receivers in the ESTEC time laboratory is illustrated in Figure 6-1. The mounting of the antennas is shown in Figure 6-2. The Septentrio receivers primarily generate RINEX 2.1 files, and conversion to CGGTTS files was either done via the software installed on the receivers or externally.

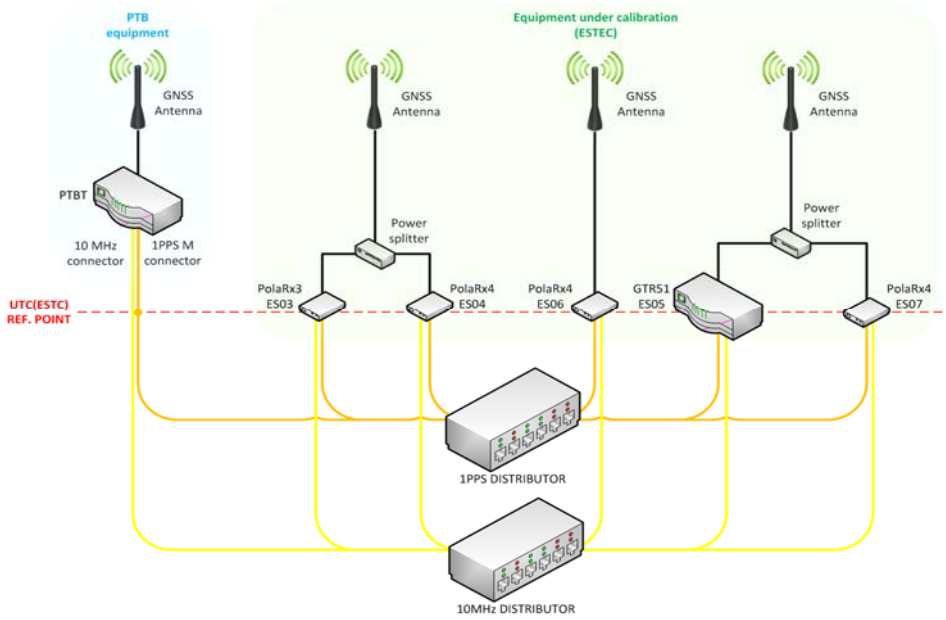


Figure 6-1: Scheme of the installation of the GNSS receivers at ESTEC

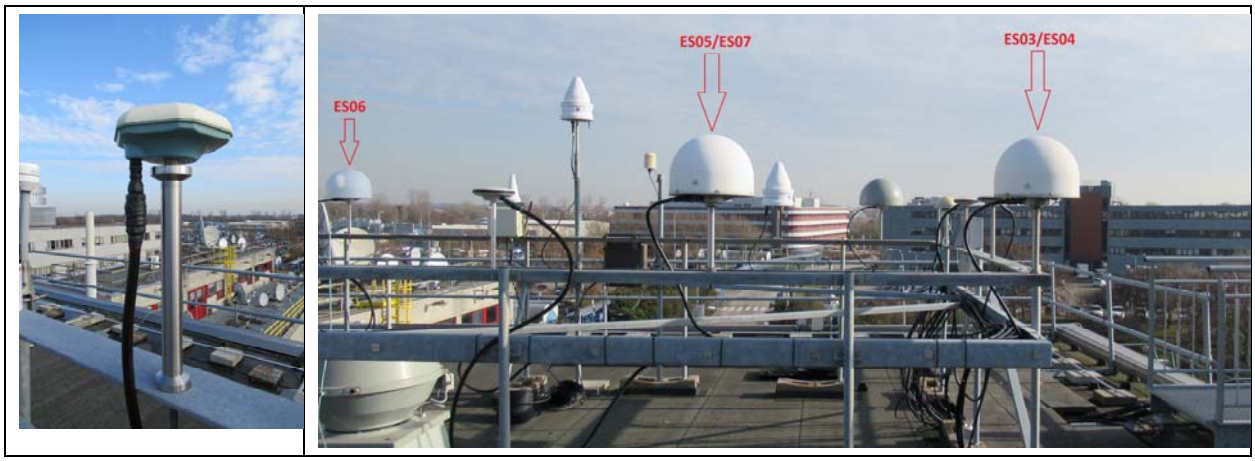


Figure 6-2: Installation of the PTBT (left) and ESTEC antennas (right) on the ESTEC antenna rack

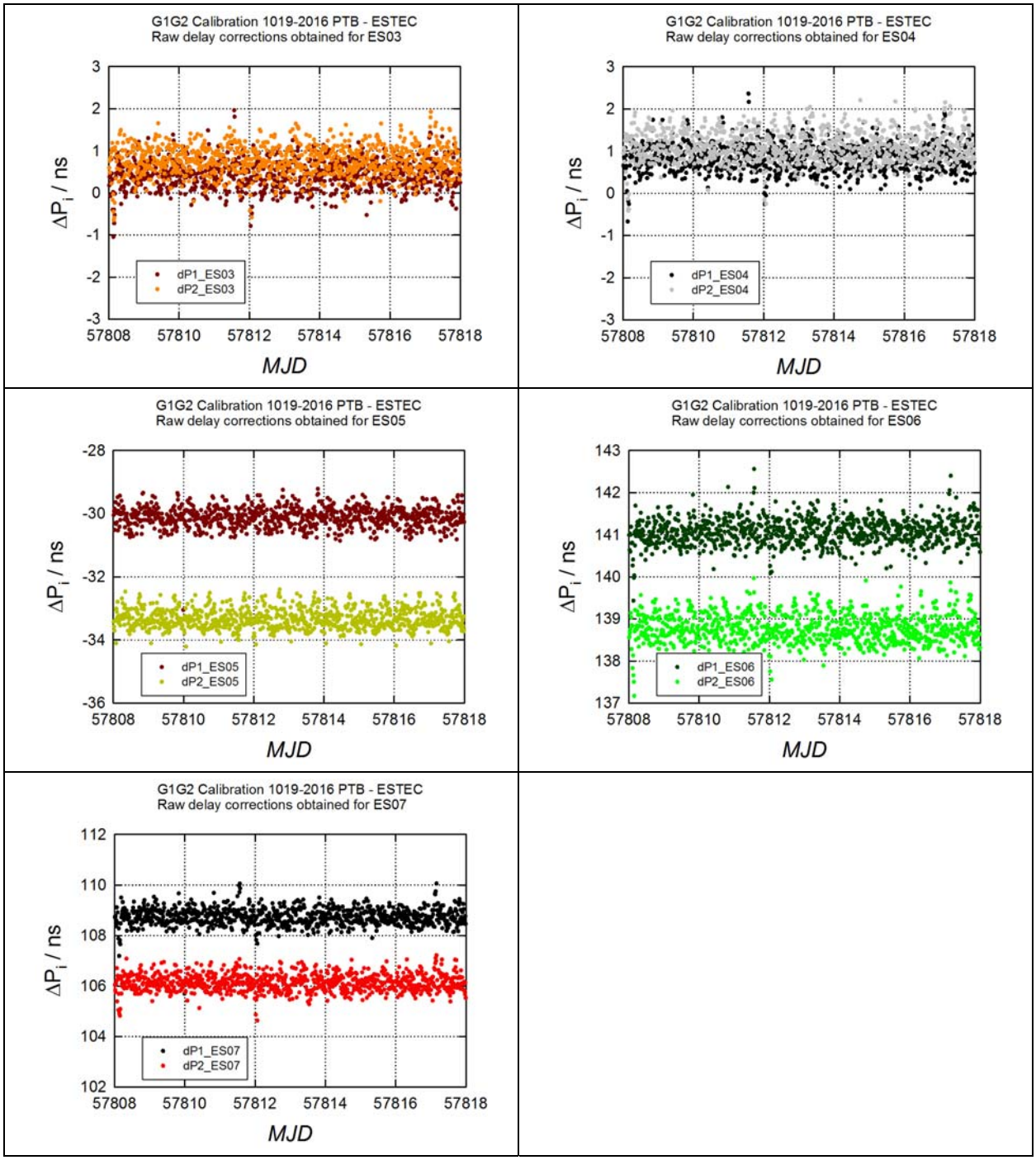


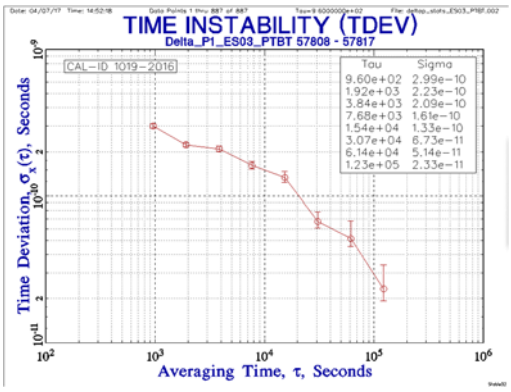
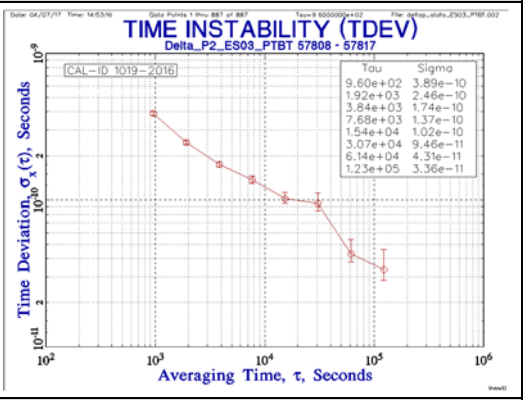
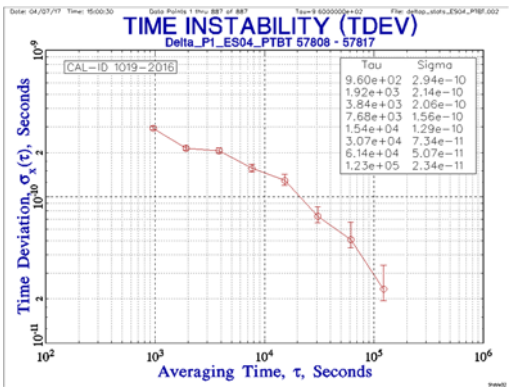
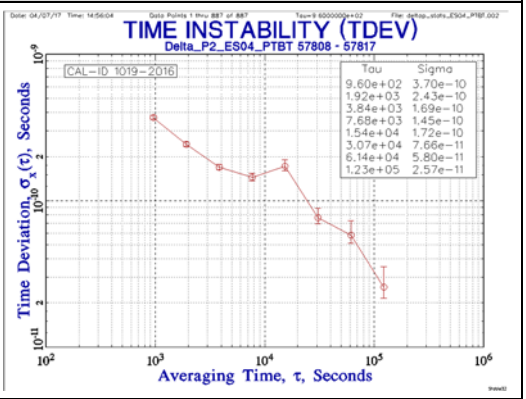
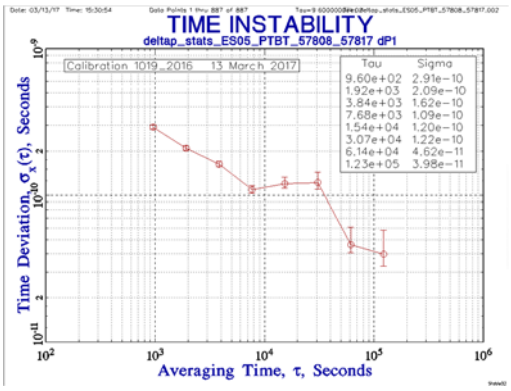
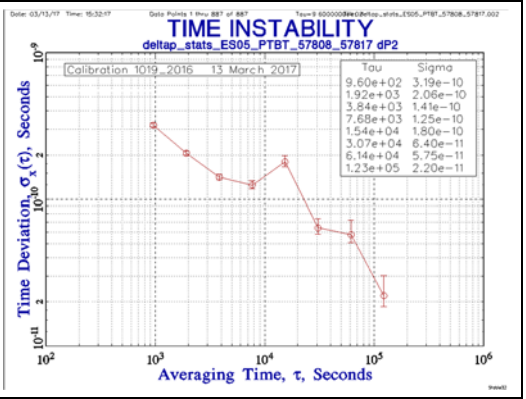
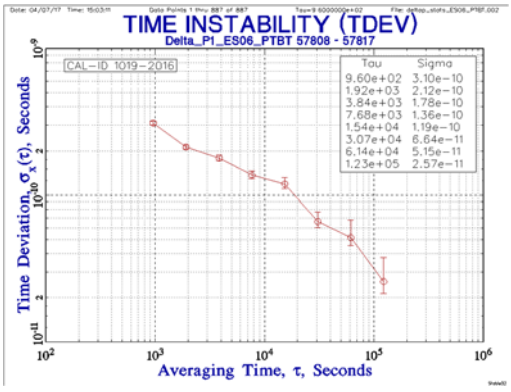
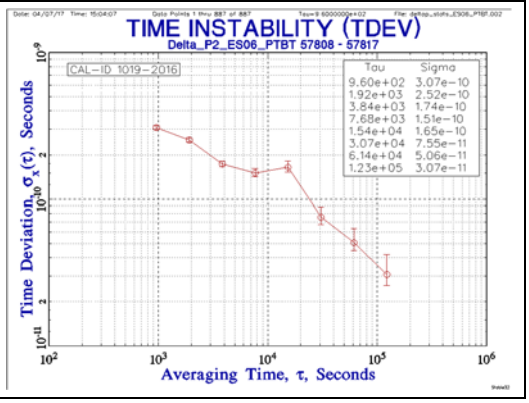
Figure 6-3: Raw ΔPi-values recorded between PTBT and 5 GNSS receivers at ESTEC.

In Figure 6-3, the ΔPi (3) derived from the raw data are depicted and the result are summarized in Table 6-1, including their statistical uncertainty. The corresponding TDEV plots are shown in **Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden.**. As a statistical measurement uncertainty the value of TDEV at τ equal to about one tenth of the total measurement time (about 80 000 s) is chosen, cum grano salis to be not too optimistic. The corresponding TDEV plots are collected in **Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden.**.

Table 6-1: ΔINT DLY(Pi) values and statistical properties (in ns) obtained initially.

ΔINT DLY (Pi) for receivers at ESTEC	Mean / ns	Median / ns	Std. Dev. / ns	TDEV / ns	Number of 16-min epochs
ES03 P1	0.43	0.44	0.36	0.05	886
ES03 P2	0.76	0.75	0.38	0.05	886
ES04 P1	0.85	0.86	0.35	0.04	887
ES04 P2	1.11	1.08	0.38	0.05	887
ES05 P1	-30.12	-30.12	0.32	0.06	887
ES05 P2	-33.33	-33.38	0.34	0.06	887
ES06 P1	141.07	141.06	0.33	0.05	887
ES06 P2	138.77	138.75	0.37	0.05	887
ES07 P1	108.75	108.74	0.35	0.06	887
ES07 P2	106.13	106.12	0.37	0.06	887

As reported in the annexed files, the receivers ES03 and ES04 are characterized by the three distinct delays (REF DLY, INT DLY and CAB DLY). For receiver ES05 a CAB DLY was reported, but on request of ESTEC only TOT DLY shall be reported as final result, similar to the case for the two remaining receivers. This explains the different magnitude of raw INT DLY values in Table 6-1.

Receiver at ESTEC	Time instability of ΔP1-values	Time instability of ΔP2-values
ES03		
Receiver at ESTEC	**Time instability of ΔP1-values**	**Time instability of ΔP2-values**
ES04		
ES05		
ES06		

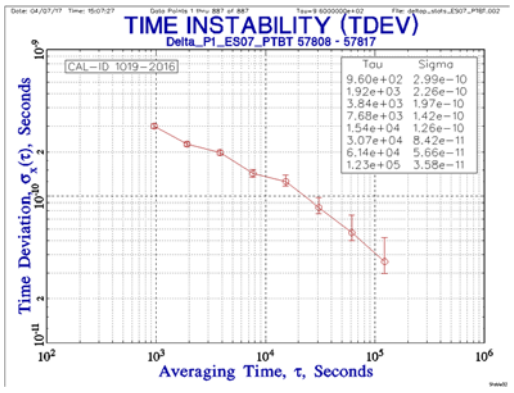
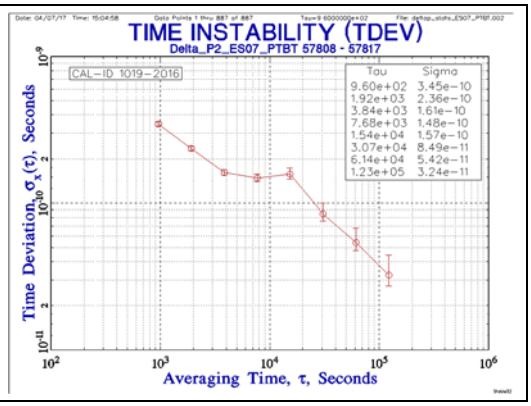
ES07		

Table 6-2: Time instability of the ΔPi-values obtained for the five GNSS receivers at ESTEC with reference to receiver PTBT

7. OPERATION OF PTBT AT PTB: SECOND PERIOD

The period 57844 to 57852 (8 days) was chosen to determine PTBT INT DLY values during the common clock period CC2. The result of comparison with PT02 as the reference are shown in Figure 7-1 illustrating in total 707 ΔPi (see eq. 3) values obtained as mean over all common view observations at a given epoch. The time instability (TDEV) plots for the two data sets follow as Figure 7-2. The mean values obtained for CC1 and CC2 differ by 0.73 ns (P1) and 0.33 ns (P2).

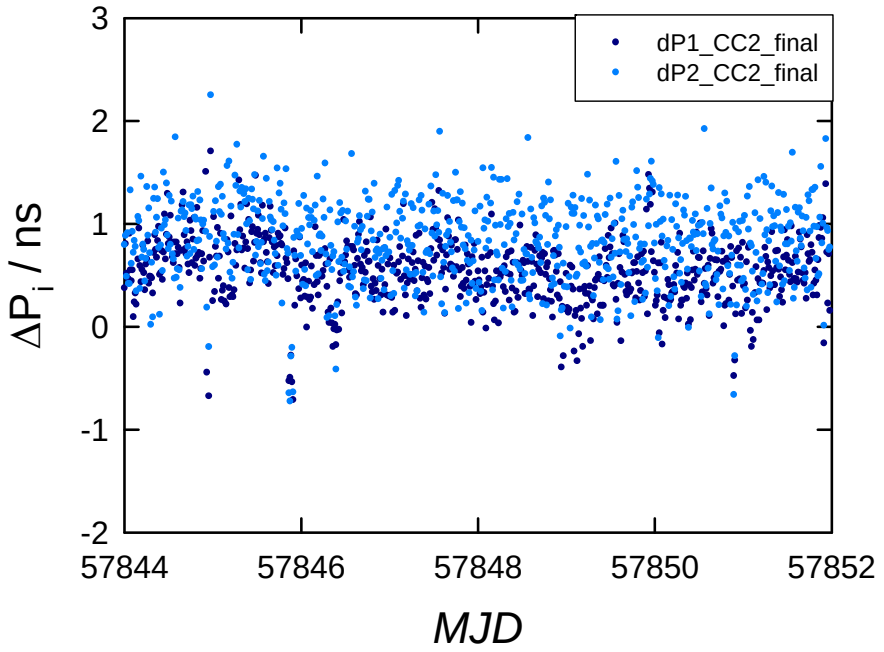


Figure 7-1. ΔPi values obtained during the second common-clock set-up in PTB.

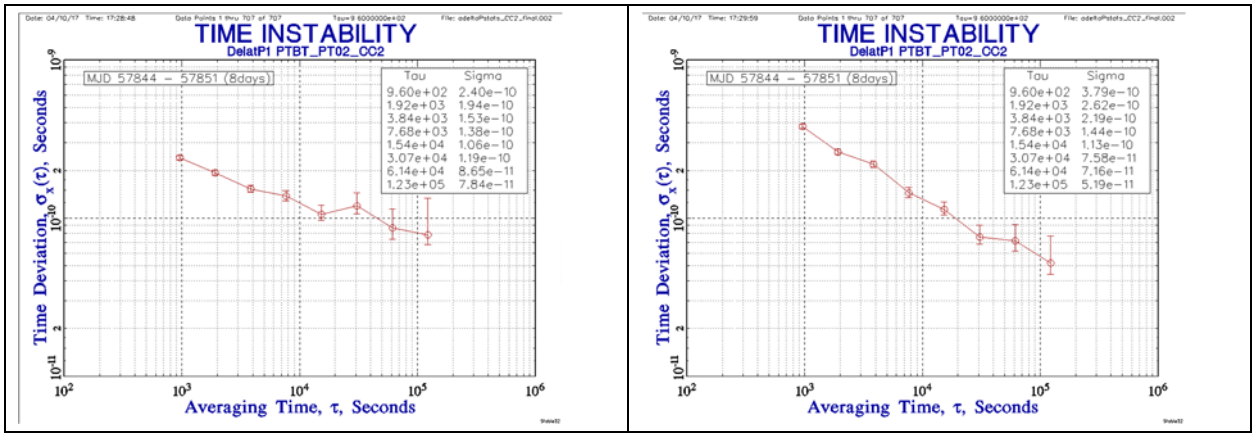


Figure 7-2. TDEV obtained for the two data sets shown in, ΔP1 left, ΔP2 right.

7.1. SUMMARY

The numerical result of the two common-clock campaigns at PTB are given in Table 7-1. The largest change noted between CC1 and CC2 amounts to 0.73 ns for ΔP1. For the evaluation of the delays of the visited receivers the mean values for ΔP1, ΔP2 are used. The estimate of the uncertainty contribution is given in Section 8.

Table 7-1: Result of common clock measurements at PTB

Quantity	Median (ns)	Sigma (ns)	TDEV (ns)
ΔP1 (CC1)	-0.2 ns	0.29 ns	0.1 ns
ΔP2 (CC1)	0.49 ns	0.32 ns	0.1 ns
ΔP3 (CC1)	-1.26 ns		
ΔP1 (CC2)	0.53 ns	0.33 ns	0.1 ns
ΔP2 (CC2)	0.83 ns	0.41 ns	0.1 ns
Mean values used for evaluation of ESxx internal delays / total delays			
ΔP1	0.17 ns		
ΔP2	0.68 ns		

8. INT DLY UNCERTAINTY EVALUATION

The overall uncertainty of the INT DLY values obtained as a result of the calibration is given by

$$u_{CAL} = \sqrt{u_a^2 + u_b^2}\,, \tag{6}$$

with the statistical uncertainty u_a and the systematic uncertainty u_b. The statistical uncertainty is related to the instability of the common clock data collected at ESTEC and PTB, respectively. The systematic uncertainty is given by

$$u_b = \sqrt{\sum_n u_{b,n}}\,. \tag{7}$$

The contributions to the sum (7) are listed and explained subsequently. In the table, extra lines (a, b, c,..) are introduced for the different receivers calibrated at ESTEC. Note that the uncertainty of the INT DLY values of PTB's fixed receiver PT02 (G) which served as the reference is not included.

Table 8-1: Uncertainty contributions for the calibration of receiver delays

	Uncertainty	Value P1 (ns)	Value P2 (ns)	Value P1-P2 (ns)	Value P3 (ns)	Description
1	u_a (PTB)	0.10	0.10	0.14	0.30	CC measurement uncertainty at PTB, TDEV at $\tau = 5\times10^4$ s, max. of the two CC campaigns
2a	u_a(ESTEC)	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.10	CC measurement uncertainty, receiver ES03
2b	u_a(ESTEC)	0.04	0.05	0.07	0.10	CC measurement uncertainty, receiver ES04
2c	u_a(ESTEC)	0.06	0.06	0.09	0.12	CC measurement uncertainty, receiver ES05
2d	u_a(ESTEC)	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.10	CC measurement uncertainty, receiver ES06
2e	u_a(ESTEC)	0.06	0.06	0.09	0.12	CC measurement uncertainty, receiver ES07
	Uncertainty	**Value P1 (ns)**	**Value P2 (ns)**	**Value P1-P2 (ns)**	**Value P3 (ns)**	**Description**
Result of closure measurement at PTB						
3	$u_{b,1}$	0.35	0.15		0.92	Misclosure, see Table 7-1
Systematic components due to antenna installation						
4	$u_{b,11}$	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.25	Position error at PTB
5a	$u_{b,12}$(ESTEC)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.25	Position error at ESTEC
6	$u_{b,13}$	0.1	0.1	0.14	0.24	Multipath at PTB
7	$u_{b,14}$	0.1	0.1	0.14	0.24	Multipath at ESTEC
Installation of PTBT and visited receivers						
8	$u_{b,21}$	0.2	0.2	0	0.2	Connection of PTBT to UTC(PTB) (REF DLY)
9	$u_{b,22}$	0.2	0.2	0	0.2	Connection of PTBT to UTC(ESTC) (REF DLY)
10	$u_{b,23}$	0.2	0.2	0	0.2	Connection of receivers at ESTEC to UTC(ESTC) (REF DEL) (* see explanations below)
11	$u_{b,24}$	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	TIC nonlinearities at PTB
12	$u_{b,25}$	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	TIC nonlinearities at ESTEC
Antenna cable delay						
13	$u_{b,31}$(PTB)	0.5	0.5	0	0.5	Uncertainty estimate for the PTBT CAB DLY when installed at PTB
14	$u_{b,32}$(ESTEC)	0.5	0.5	0	0.5	Uncertainty estimate provided by ESTEC for the PTBT CAB DLY used at ESTEC
15	$u_{b,33}$(ESTEC)	0.5	0.5	0	0.5	Uncertainty estimate provided by ESTEC for the ESxx CAB DLY (*)

The uncertainty contribution $u_{b,1}$ is based on the difference between the two common clock campaigns in the following way. The standard deviation of the two values around the mean value is considered as measure for the uncertainty and they are treated as statistically independent contributions.

For the generation of the CGGTTS data the PTBT antenna position is manually entered into the processing software in ITRF coordinates before the CCD measurements. These positions could in principle differ from the “true” positions in a different way in each laboratory. This is taken into account by the contributions $u_{b,11}$ and $u_{b,12}$. In the current campaign it was confirmed that the antenna coordinates were determined for all masts involved consistently and the contribution is 0.1 ns at maximum. As a matter of fact, a position error in general could even affect the P1 and P2 delays in a slightly different way, if the distinction between Antenna Reference Point (ARP) and Antenna Phase Centre (APC) is not accurately made. It has been reported that the difference between the two quantities is different for each antenna type but in addition also for the two frequencies received. To be on the safe side, $u_{b,11}$ and $u_{b,12}$ are very conservatively estimated. For other entries, where a frequency dependence can be safely excluded, the entry for P1-P2 is set to zero.

An uncertainty contribution due to potential multipath disturbance is added as $u_{b,13}$ and $u_{b,14}$. If at a given epoch in time the recorded time differences REFSYS would be biased by multipath, this might change with time due to the change in the satellite constellation geometry. [RD05] gives an estimate that has often been referred to. In deviation thereof, for the current campaign the same approach as in the previous G1G2 campaign [RD06] was used. It is based on the analysis of GPS observations (PTBT REFSYS) as a function of the elevation masks: 10°, 20° and 35°. The conditions for the installation of the GPS-antennae at ESTEC are likely more favourable than in PTB, so that the same uncertainty contribution (0,1 ns for P1 and P2) for each site is considered as an upper limit. On the other hand, the type of study made may not give the complete truth on the effect of multipath. A study on the issue was planned at PTB but could not be finished because of equipment failures.

The uncertainties of the connection of the receivers to the local time scales ($u_{b,21}$, $u_{b,22}$, $u_{b,23}$) are equal but of different origin. As the same counter is employed for the PTBT REF DLY measurements at all sites, the counter’s internal measurement uncertainty for time interval need not be considered. $u_{b,21}$ was estimated by PTB: The cable connecting UTC(PTB) to PTBT is repeatedly controlled and has been used in many calibration exercises. ESTEC stated the uncertainty of the connection of PTBT and the local receivers to the local time scale, and this is reflected in $u_{b,22}$, $u_{b,23}$. The term $u_{b,23}$, marked by (*) need not be considered in case that only TOT DLY is stated.

The uncertainty contributions $u_{b,24}$ and $u_{b,25}$ are related to imperfections in the TIC in conjunction with the relationship between the zero-crossings of the external reference frequency and the 1 PPS signals. This “nonlinearity” is probably caused by the internal interpolation process. By connecting the travelling TIC successively to 5 MHz and 10 MHz generated by different clocks (masers, commercial caesium clocks), respectively, the effect was estimated to be at most 0.1 ns if 1 PPS signals with a slew rate of approximately 0.5 V/ns are used.

The measurement of antenna cable delays causes contributions $u_{b,31}$ $u_{b,32}$ and $u_{b,33}$. It is made with different methods in timing laboratories. On PTB side, the same antenna cable(s) were repeatedly measured using 1 PPS signals from different sources – but using the same counter – and an uncertainty of 0.5 ns is estimated. The PTBT antenna cable could not be used at ESTEC, and instead a fixed cable was connecting antenna and receiver. All ESTEC antenna

cable delays were determined using a vector-network-analyser and ESTEC estimated the uncertainty as 0.5 ns. The term $u_{b,33}$ need not be considered when only TOT DLY is stated.

Note anyway that this uncertainty contribution $u_{b,33}$ a priori has no impact on the uncertainty of the time transfer link between PTB and the visited institutes. If the started CAB DLY for the ESTEC fixed receivers would be erroneous this is absorbed in the INT DLY values produced as a result of the campaign.

9. FINAL RESULTS

The results of the calibration campaign G1G2_1019_2016 are summarized in Table 9-1. It contains the designation of visited receiver, the INT DLY values hitherto used, the offsets ΔPi(V,T) and ΔPi(T,G) (see Section 5, (5)), the new INT DLY values to be used with consent by BIPM, and the uncertainty with which the new values were determined. For calculation, the respective entries from Table 8-1, individually for P1, P2, and combined for P3, were used. Intermediate delays and uncertainties are reported here with two decimal points. According to [RD07], in CGGTTS V2E file headers all delays should be reported with one decimal only, so the final results to be reported are rounded to one decimal.

Table 9-1. Results of the Calibration Campaign G1G2_1019_2016, all values in ns

Receiver	INT DLY(P1), old	INT DLY(P2); old	ΔP1 (V,T)	ΔP2 (V,T)	ΔP1 (T,G)	Δ(P2) (T,G)	INT DLY(P1), new	u_{cal}, P1	INT DLY(P2), new	u_{cal}, P2	u_{cal}, P3
ESTEC, ES03	48.3	45.4	0.43	0.76	0.17	0.68	48.9	1.03	46.8	0.99	1.5
ESTEC, ES04	56.40	53.1	0.85	1.11	0.17	0.68	57.4	1.03	54.9	0.99	1.5
Receiver	INT DLY(P1), old	INT DLY(P2); old	ΔP1 (V,T)	ΔP2 (V,T)	ΔP1 (T,G)	Δ(P2) (T,G)	TOT DLY(P1), new	u_{cal}, P1	TOT DLY(P2), new	u_{cal}, P2	u_{cal}, P3
ESTEC, ES05	0	0	-30.12	-30.38	0.17	0.68	159.0	0.88	159.2	0.82	1.3
ESTEC, ES06	0	0	141.07	138.77	0.17	0.68	141.2	0.88	139.5	0.82	1.3

ESTEC, ES07	0	0	108.75	106.13	0.17	0.68	108.9	0.88	106.8	0.82	1.3

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ANNEX: BIPM CALIBRATION INFORMATION SHEETS

First common clock measurement at PTB

Laboratory:	**PTB**
Date and hour of the beginning of measurements:	2017-01-25 0:00 UTC (MJD 57778)
Date and hour of the end of measurements:	2017-02-01 24:00 UTC (MJD 57785)

Information on the system		
	Local:	**Travelling:**
4-character BIPM code	**PTBB**	**PTBT**
Receiver maker and type: Receiver serial number:	ASHTECH Z-XII3T (S/N RT820013901)	Dicom GTR50 0708522 1.7.4
1 PPS trigger level /V:	1	1
Antenna cable maker and type: Phase stabilised cable (Y/N):	Nokia RG214	Andrews FSJ-1 (N)
Length outside the building /m:	approx. 25	25
Antenna maker and type: Antenna serial number:	Ashtech ASH700936 SNOW (S/N CR15930)	Navexperience 3G+C NA0164
Temperature (if stabilised) /°C		

Measured delays /ns		
	Local:	**Travelling:**
Delay from local UTC to receiver 1 PPS-in (X_P) / ns	19.9 ± 0.1 (**)	77.9 ± 0.1
Delay from 1 PPS-in to internal Reference (if different): (X_O) / ns	38.2 ± 0.1 (**) + 15.8	N/A
Antenna cable delay: (X_C) / ns	301.7	205.5 ± 0.1
Splitter delay (if any):	N/A	
Additional cable delay (if any):	N/A	

Data used for the generation of CGGTTS files				
	LOCAL:		Travelling	
☐ INT DLY (or X_R+X_S) (GPS) /ns:	304.5 (P1), 319.8 (P2) (**)		-42.6 (P1) -49.1 (P2) (***)	
☐ INT DLY (or X_R+X_S) (GLONASS) /ns:				
☐ CAB DLY (or X_C) /ns:	301.7		205.5	
☐ REF DLY (or X_P+X_O) /ns:	73.9 (**)		77.9	
☐ Coordinates reference frame:	ITRF (*)		ITRF (***)	
X /m:	+3844059.89 (*)	Mast P10	+3844056.64	Mast P13
Y /m:	+709661.48 (*)		+709664.25 (***)	

Z /m	+5023129.73 (*)		+5023131.88 (***)
General information			
☐ Rise time of the local UTC pulse:	3 ns		
☐ Is the laboratory air conditioned:	Yes		
Set temperature value and uncertainty:			

Notes:

(*) values provided by BIPM as part of coordinate alignment 2014 and G1 calibration Cal_Id=1001-2014

(**) values provided by BIPM Cal_Id 1001-2016 / local measurements not repeated
(***) INT DLY adjusted after publication of results Ca_Id=1001-2014, coordinates interpolated from BIPM results for neighbouring masts

Names of files to be used in processing for site PTB CC1

Local receiver: GZPT02MJ.DDD

Travelling receiver GZPTBTMJ.DDD

PTBT operation at ESTEC: Receiver ES03

Laboratory:	**ESTEC**
Date and hour of the beginning of measurements:	2017- 02 - 24 00:00:00 UTC (57808)
Date and hour of the end of measurements:	2017- 03 - 09 24:00:00 UTC (57821)

Information on the system		
	Local:	**Travelling:**
4-character BIPM code	**ES03**	**PTBT**
Receiver maker and type: Receiver serial number:	Septentrio PolaRx3 2001059	Dicom GTR50 0708522 1.7.4
1 PPS trigger level /V:	1.0	1.0
Antenna cable maker and type: Phase stabilised cable (Y/N):	Sucofeed ½ HF	Sucofeed ½ HF
Length outside the building /m:	50 approx	50 approx
Antenna maker and type: Antenna serial number:	Novatel NOV750.R4 01018874	Navexperience 3G+C NA0164
Temperature (if stabilised) /°C		

Measured delays / ns		
	Local:	**Travelling:**
Delay from local UTC to receiver 1 PPS-in (X_P) / ns	0.0	16.4
Delay from 1 PPS-in to internal Reference (if different): (X_O) / ns	195.0 (+)	N/A
Antenna cable delay: (X_C) / ns	187.4	222.5
Splitter delay (if any):	N/A	N/A
Additional cable delay (if any):	N/A	N/A

Data used for the generation of CGGTTS files		
	LOCAL:	Travelling
☐ INT DLY (or X_R+X_S) (GPS) /ns:	48.3 (P1) , 45.4 (P2)	-42.6 (P1) -49.1 (P2)
☐ INT DLY (or X_R+X_S) (GLONASS) /ns:	N/A	N/A
☐ CAB DLY (or X_C) /ns:	187.4	222.5
☐ REF DLY (or X_P+X_O) /ns:	195.0	16.4
☐ Coordinates reference frame:	ITRF	ITRF
X /m:	+3904171.72	+3904168.22
Y /m:	+301744.50	+301750.75
Z /m	+5017777.69	+5017779.84

General information	
☐ Rise time of the local UTC pulse:	1 ns
☐ Is the laboratory air conditioned:	Yes

Set temperature value and uncertainty:	

Names of files to be used in processing for site ESTEC

Local receiver: GZES03MJ.DDD
Travelling receiver GZPTBTMJ.DDD

Notes:
(+) The "1 PPS-in to internal reference" was measured according to the manual of the PolaRx receiver on 2015-12-16 and was found within specifications.

PTBT operation at ESTEC: Receiver ES04

Laboratory:	**ESTEC**
Date and hour of the beginning of measurements:	2017- 02 - 24 00:00:00 UTC (57808)
Date and hour of the end of measurements:	2017- 03 - 09 24:00:00 UTC (57821)

Information on the system		
	Local:	**Travelling:**
4-character BIPM code	**ES04**	**PTBT**
Receiver maker and type: Receiver serial number:	Septentrio PolaRx4 3001286	Dicom GTR50 0708522 1.7.4
1 PPS trigger level /V:	1.0	1.0
Antenna cable maker and type: Phase stabilised cable (Y/N):	Sucofeed ½ HF	Sucofeed ½ HF
Length outside the building /m:	50 approx	50 approx
Antenna maker and type: Antenna serial number:	Novatel NOV750.R4 01018874	Navexperience 3G+C NA0164
Temperature (if stabilised) /°C		

Measured delays / ns		
	Local:	**Travelling:**
Delay from local UTC to receiver 1 PPS-in (X_P) / ns	0.0	16.4
Delay from 1 PPS-in to internal Reference (if different): (X_O) / ns	136.1	N/A
Antenna cable delay: (X_C) / ns	187.3	222.5
Splitter delay (if any):	N/A	N/A
Additional cable delay (if any):	N/A	N/A

Data used for the generation of CGGTTS files		
	LOCAL:	Travelling
☐ INT DLY (or X_R+X_S) (GPS) /ns:	56.4 (P1) , 53.1 (P2)	-42.6 (P1) -49.1 (P2)
☐ INT DLY (or X_R+X_S) (GLONASS) /ns:	N/A	N/A
☐ CAB DLY (or X_C) /ns:	187.3	222.5
☐ REF DLY (or X_P+X_O) /ns:	136.1 (+)	16.4
☐ Coordinates reference frame:	ITRF	ITRF
X /m:	+3904171.72	+3904168.22
Y /m:	+301744.50	+301750.75
Z /m	+5017777.69	+5017779.84

General information	
☐ Rise time of the local UTC pulse:	1 ns
☐ Is the laboratory air conditioned:	Yes

Set temperature value and uncertainty:	

Names of files to be used in processing for site ESTEC

Local receiver: GZES04MJ.DDD
Travelling receiver GZPTBTMJ.DDD

Notes:
(+) The "1 PPS-in to internal reference" was measured according to the manual of the PolaRx receiver on 2015-12-16 and was found within specifications.

PTBT operation at ESTEC: Receiver ES05

Laboratory:	**ESTEC**
Date and hour of the beginning of measurements:	2017- 02 - 24 00:00:00 UTC (57808)
Date and hour of the end of measurements:	2017- 03 - 09 24:00:00 UTC (57821)

Information on the system		
	Local:	**Travelling:**
4-character BIPM code	**ES05**	**PTBT**
Receiver maker and type: Receiver serial number:	DICOM GTR51 1306002	Dicom GTR50 0708522 1.7.4
1 PPS trigger level /V:	1.0	1.0
Antenna cable maker and type: Phase stabilised cable (Y/N):	Sucofeed ½ HF	Sucofeed ½ HF
Length outside the building /m:	50 approx	50 approx
Antenna maker and type: Antenna serial number:	Novatel NOV750.R4 01017982	Navexperience 3G+C NA0164
Temperature (if stabilised) /°C		

Measured delays /ns		
	Local:	**Travelling:**
Delay from local UTC to receiver 1 PPS-in (X_P) / ns	0.0	16.4
Delay from 1 PPS-in to internal Reference (if different): (X_O) / ns	0.0	N/A
Antenna cable delay: (X_C) / ns	188.9	222.5
Splitter delay (if any):	N/A	N/A
Additional cable delay (if any):	N/A	N/A

Data used for the generation of CGGTTS files		
	LOCAL:	Travelling
☐ INT DLY (or X_R+X_S) (GPS) /ns:	0.0 (P1) , 0.0 (P2)	-42.6 (P1) -49.1 (P2)
☐ INT DLY (or X_R+X_S) (GLONASS) /ns:	N/A	N/A
☐ CAB DLY (or X_C) /ns:	188.9	222.5
☐ REF DLY (or X_P+X_O) /ns:	0.0	16.4
☐ Coordinates reference frame:	ITRF	ITRF
X /m:	+3904170.68	+3904168.22
Y /m:	+301745.14	+301750.75
Z /m	+5017778.48	+5017779.84

General information	
☐ Rise time of the local UTC pulse:	3 ns

☐ Is the laboratory air conditioned:	Yes
Set temperature value and uncertainty:	

Names of files to be used in processing for site ESTEC

Local receiver: GZES05MJ.DDD
Travelling receiver GZPTBTMJ.DDD

PTBT operation at ESTEC: Receiver ES06

Laboratory:	**ESTEC**
Date and hour of the beginning of measurements:	2017- 02 - 24 00:00:00 UTC (57808)
Date and hour of the end of measurements:	2017- 03 - 09 24:00:00 UTC (57821)

Information on the system		
	Local:	**Travelling:**
4-character BIPM code	**ES06**	**PTBT**
Receiver maker and type: Receiver serial number:	Septentrio PolaRx4 3007625	Dicom GTR50 0708522 1.7.4
1 PPS trigger level /V:	1.0	1.0
Antenna cable maker and type: Phase stabilised cable (Y/N):	Sucofeed ½ HF	Sucofeed ½ HF
Length outside the building /m:	50 approx	50 approx
Antenna maker and type: Antenna serial number:	Novatel NOV750.R4 01018874	Navexperience 3G+C NA0164
Temperature (if stabilised) /°C		

Measured delays /ns		
	Local:	**Travelling:**
Delay from local UTC to receiver 1 PPS-in (X_P) / ns	0.0	16.4
Delay from 1 PPS-in to internal Reference (if different): (X_O) / ns	0.0	N/A
Antenna cable delay: (X_C) / ns	0.0	222.5
Splitter delay (if any):	N/A	N/A
Additional cable delay (if any):	N/A	N/A

Data used for the generation of CGGTTS files		
	LOCAL:	Travelling
☐ INT DLY (or X_R+X_S) (GPS) /ns:	0.0 (P1) , 0.0 (P2)	-42.6 (P1) -49.1 (P2)
☐ INT DLY (or X_R+X_S) (GLONASS) /ns:	N/A	N/A
☐ CAB DLY (or X_C) /ns:	0.0	222.5
☐ REF DLY (or X_P+X_O) /ns:	0.0	16.4
☐ Coordinates reference frame:	ITRF	ITRF
X /m:	+3904169.02	+3904168.22
Y /m:	+301750.34	+301750.75
Z /m	+5017779.47	+5017779.84

General information	
☐ Rise time of the local UTC pulse:	1 ns

☐ Is the laboratory air conditioned:	yes
Set temperature value and uncertainty:	

Names of files to be used in processing for site ESTEC

Local receiver: GZES06MJ.DDD
Travelling receiver GZPTBTMJ.DDD

PTBT operation at ESTEC: Receiver ES07

Laboratory:	**ESTEC**
Date and hour of the beginning of measurements:	2017- 02 - 24 00:00:00 UTC (57808)
Date and hour of the end of measurements:	2017- 03 - 09 24:00:00 UTC (57821)

Information on the system		
	Local:	**Travelling:**
4-character BIPM code	**ES07**	**PTBT**
Receiver maker and type: Receiver serial number:	Septentrio PolaRx4 3006014	Dicom GTR50 0708522 1.7.4
1 PPS trigger level /V:	1.0	1.0
Antenna cable maker and type: Phase stabilised cable (Y/N):	Sucofeed ½ HF	Sucofeed ½ HF
Length outside the building /m:	50 approx	50 approx
Antenna maker and type: Antenna serial number:	Novatel NOV750.R4 01017982	Navexperience 3G+C NA0164
Temperature (if stabilised) /°C		

Measured delays /ns		
	Local:	**Travelling:**
Delay from local UTC to receiver 1 PPS-in (X_P) / ns	0.0	16.4
Delay from 1 PPS-in to internal Reference (if different): (X_O) / ns	0.0	N/A
Antenna cable delay: (X_C) / ns	0.0	222.5
Splitter delay (if any):	N/A	N/A
Additional cable delay (if any):	N/A	N/A

Data used for the generation of CGGTTS files		
	LOCAL:	Travelling
☐ INT DLY (or X_R+X_S) (GPS) /ns:	0.0 (P1) , 0.0 (P2)	-42.6 (P1) -49.1 (P2)
☐ INT DLY (or X_R+X_S) (GLONASS) /ns:	N/A	N/A
☐ CAB DLY (or X_C) /ns:	0.0	222.5
☐ REF DLY (or X_P+X_O) /ns:	0.0	16.4
☐ Coordinates reference frame:	ITRF	ITRF
X /m:	+3904170.68	+3904168.22
Y /m:	+301745.14	+301750.75
Z /m	+5017778.48	+5017779.84

General information	
☐ Rise time of the local UTC pulse:	1 ns

☐ Is the laboratory air conditioned:	yes
Set temperature value and uncertainty:	

Names of files to be used in processing for site ESTEC

Local receiver: GZES07MJ.DDD
Travelling receiver GZPTBTMJ.DDD

Second common clock measurement at PTB

Laboratory:	**PTB**
Date and hour of the beginning of measurements:	2017-04-01 0:00 UTC (MJD 57844)
Date and hour of the end of measurements:	2017-04-08 24:00 UTC (MJD 57851)

Information on the system		
	Local:	**Travelling:**
4-character BIPM code	**PTBB**	**PTBT**
Receiver maker and type: Receiver serial number:	ASHTECH Z-XII3T (S/N RT820013901)	Dicom GTR50 0708522 1.7.4
1 PPS trigger level /V:	1 V	1 V
Antenna cable maker and type: Phase stabilised cable (Y/N):	Nokia RG214	Andrews FSJ-1 (N)
Length outside the building /m:	approx. 25 m	25 m
Antenna maker and type: Antenna serial number:	Ashtech ASH700936 SNOW (S/N CR15930)	Navexperience 3G+C NA0164
Temperature (if stabilised) /°C		

Measured delays / ns		
	Local:	**Travelling:**
Delay from local UTC to receiver 1 PPS-in (X_P) / ns	19.9 ± 0.1 (**)	60.1 ± 0.1
Delay from 1 PPS-in to internal Reference (if different): (X_O) / ns	38.2 ± 0.1 (**) + 15.8	N/A
Antenna cable delay: (X_C) / ns	301.7	205.5 ± 0.1
Splitter delay (if any):	N/A	
Additional cable delay (if any):	N/A	

Data used for the generation of CGGTTS files				
	LOCAL:		Travelling	
☐ INT DLY (or X_R+X_S) (GPS) /ns:	304.5 (P1), 319.8 (P2) (**)		-42.6 (P1) -49.1 (P2) (***)	
☐ INT DLY (or X_R+X_S) (GLONASS) /ns:				
☐ CAB DLY (or X_C) /ns:	301.7		205.5	
☐ REF DLY (or X_P+X_O) /ns:	73.9 (**)		60.1	
☐ Coordinates reference frame:	ITRF (*)		ITRF (***)	
X /m:	+3844059.89 (*)	Mast P10	+3844056.64	Mast P13
Y /m:	+709661.48 (*)		+709664.25 (***)	
Z /m	+5023129.73 (*)		+5023131.88 (***)	

General information	
☐ Rise time of the local UTC pulse:	3 ns
☐ Is the laboratory air conditioned:	yes
Set temperature value and uncertainty:	

Notes:

(*) values provided by BIPM as part of coordinate alignment 2014 and G1 calibration Cal_Id=1001-2014

(**) values provided by BIPM Cal_Id 1001-2016 / local measurements not repeated
(***) INT DLY adjusted after publication of results Ca_Id=1001-2014, coordinates interpolated from BIPM results for neighbouring masts

Names of files to be used in processing for site PTB CC2

Local receiver: GZPT02MJ.DDD

Travelling receiver GZPTBTMJ.DDD

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