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#### Abstract

This report is a record of the calibration results of cn00, the site receiver of CENAM, and mp1\_, the site receiver at CENAMEP using the NIST traveling receiver nb05. Four sets of data were collected between MJD57780-57895(January 27, 2017 and May 22, 2017) by simultaneous operation of a pair of co-located GNSS receivers. The purpose of this campaign was to measure the internal delay of the GPS receiver cn00 and mp1\_ and thereby calibrating the links NIST and CENAM, and NIST and CENAMEP for time transfer applications between the labs. The calibration campaign was initiated by NIST in consultation with CENAM and CENAMEP for fulfilling the G2 responsibility as per the guidelines set by BIPM [2].

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### 1 List of Acronyms

BIPM	Bureau International des Poids et Mesures, Sèvres, France
$\operatorname{CCTF}$	Consultative Committee on Time and Frequency
CGGTTS	CCTF Global GNSS Time Transfer Standard format
CIPM	Comité International des Poids et Mesures
GNSS	Global Navigation Satellite System
ITRF	International Terrestrial Reference Frame
nb05	NIST-owned GPS traveling system
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
nist	4-letter code of NIST's primary GPS receiver
CENAM	Centro Nacional de Metrologia
cn00	CENAM receiver that is to be calibrated
CENAMEP	El Centro Nacional de Metrología de Panamá
$mp1_{-}$	CENAMEP receiver that is to be calibrated
PPS	Pulse per second
RINEX	Receiver Independent Exchange format
TIC	Time Interval Counter

Table 1: List of acronyms used in this report.

### 2 Description of the traveling GNSS receiver

The NIST Traveling System consists of two enclosures containing a rack-mount GPS receiver unit (nb05), a choke-ring antenna and antenna cable, a laptop, a time interval counter and two auxiliary cables (RG223 with BNC connectors) to be used for measuring the REFDLY for the traveling receiver.

The GPS unit nb05 contains a dual-frequency, multi-channel Novatel OEMV Propak-V3 receiver and a NIST-built auxiliary board that conditions the 10MHz and PPS signals to the GPS receiver and measures the time difference between the PPS output and input to the receiver, as well as the time difference between the PPS and 10MHz input signals.

The Novatel GNSS pin-wheel antenna is connected to the receiver with a 50 m long FSJ-50A cable. An HP53132A time interval counter is also provided with nb05.

### 3 Results

The notation for various delays are consistent with that adopted in the BIPM guidelines[2]. A brief discussion of the various delays and their values for each pair (traveling- and station-receiver) are detailed next, followed by a discussion about computing raw difference of GPS code measurements.

#### 3.1 Computing delays in the measurement setup

The difference of the total delay for a pair of co-located receivers is the sum of the delays incurred in the antenna cable(CABDLY) and the internal delay(INTDLY), minus the time offset at the latching point of the receiver as referenced to a fixed point, usually UTC(k)(REFDLY). The internal delay is comprised of both code- and frequency-dependent delays in the antenna and the receiver. After accounting for the baseline geometry, the difference in pseudoranges between a pair of receivers, say for P1, is given by

$$RAWDIF(P1)_{A-B} = \Delta CABDLY_{A-B} + \Delta INTDLY_{A-B} - \Delta REFDLY_{A-B},$$
(1)

where RAWDIF(P1)<sub>A-B</sub> is the raw difference of pseudorange measurements of two receivers. Similarly for P2, RAWDIF(P2)<sub>A-B</sub> is given by using the corresponding set of delays on the right hand side of Eq.(1). The notation for the receivers A and B correspond to the traveling- and station-receiver.  $\Delta$ CABDLY<sub>A-B</sub> and  $\Delta$ REFDLY<sub>A-B</sub> for nb05(A) and cn00/nist (B) are given in table 2, referenced from Annex 1-3. The various delays used for nist are from the G1 campaign as described in [6].

nb05 setup has provisions to log the REFDLY (both  $X_P$  and  $X_O$ ) and the procedure is outlined in the operating manual for nb05. Note that in table 2, we provide  $\Delta$ CABDLY for L1 and L2 because for nb05 the values for CABDLY corresponding to L1 and L2 frequencies were determined separately at NIST. The difference between CABDLY for L1 and L2 are typically of the order of 0.5 ns or less. CABDLY for L1 and L2 are set to the same value if separate measurements are not made available. In Table 2, L1<sup>†</sup> may be used instead of L2 for calculating RAWDIF(P2), if L2 are not readily available. Similarly C1<sup>‡</sup> indicates the values to be used with C1 from CGGTTS files.

Pair	MJD	$\Delta$ REFDLY(ns)	$\Delta$ CABDLY(ns)	
			L1	$\mathrm{L2}^\dagger$
nb05-nist	57780-57784	$393.53\pm0.36$	-69.90	-69.70
$nb05-cn00/C1^{\ddagger}$	57801 - 57804	$2.30\pm0.20$	66.0	N/A
nb05-mp1_	57856 - 57861	$6.8\pm0.52$	82.34	82.54
nb05-nist	57891-57895	$393.54\pm0.27$	-69.90	-69.70

Table 2: REFDLY differences between station and traveling receivers

#### 3.2 Computing raw difference of GPS psuedoranges

The RINEX files for a pair of co-located receivers during the data acquisition period, MJD column in table 2, are processed using a script provided by the BIPM which invokes a call to a fortran executable that solves the baseline between the phase centers of the two antennas from L1 and L2 phase differences[1, 4]. Subsequently, the P1 and P2 pseudorange differences are formed after accounting for the previously computed baseline. For both Novatel NIST station receiver(nist) and traveling receiver(nb05), the RINEX files were corrected for C1P1 bias[3].

The results are given in table 3. The values for  $\Delta$ INTDLY between a given pair of receivers are computed using Eq.(1) and are given in table 4. IF the RINEX files are not made available a common view C1 difference of two receivers, with delays sets to zero, may be used to construct the raw difference (RAWDIF). This was the case for the CENAM part of the trip.

Pair	MJD	$\Delta P1/\Delta C1(ns)$	$\Delta P2(ns)$
nb05-nist	57780-57784	$-396.35 \pm 0.10$	$-409.34 \pm 0.10$
nb05-cn00/C1	57801 - 57804	$73.7\pm0.70$	N/A
$nb05-mp1_{-}$	57856 - 57861	$99.5\pm0.10$	$89.77\pm0.10$
nb05-nist	57891 - 57895	$-397.01 \pm 0.20$	$-409.37 \pm 0.40$

Table 3: Raw P1 and P2 differences between station and traveling receivers. The assigned uncertainties are the first minimum of the TDEV.

Table 4: INTDLY for receiver(s)

Pair	$\Delta$ INTDLY(P1/C1)(ns)	$\Delta$ INTDLY(P2)(ns)
$nb05-nist _{start}$	67.08	54.09
m nb05-cn00/C1	16.98	N/A
$nb05-mp1_{-}$	23.96	14.23
$nb05-nist _{end}$	66.43	54.07
$nb05-nist _{average}$	66.75	54.08
$cn00-nist _{average}/C1$	49.85	N/A
$mp1nist _{average}$	42.79	39.85
MISCLOSURE(nb05-nist)	-0.64	0.02

We have assigned 0.1 ns for CABDLY<sub>nb05</sub> as it was measured fairly recently (less than a year). Similarly, a nominal uncertainty of 0.1 ns is assigned for CABDLY<sub>nist</sub> and CABDLY<sub>cn00</sub>.

### 4 Uncertainty estimates

The overall uncertainty of the differential calibration is the uncertainty of the link between two points(labs) over the duration of the calibration. The uncertainties, both statistical and systematic, associated with the GPS constellation and the traveling-receiver drop out. Therefore for a link comprising a pair of locations(labs), say A and B, the total uncertainty is  $u_{A-B} = (u_A^2 + u_B^2)^{1/2}$ , where  $u_x = (u_{x,a}^2 + u_{x,b}^2)^{1/2}$ ,  $x \equiv A, B$ .  $u_{x,a}$  is the total statistical uncertainty that arise due to the fluctuations in the RAWDIF. We have assumed that the total statistical and systematic uncertainties are orthogonal to each other owing to statistical independence. The total uncertainty for each location are given at the end of tables 6 and 7.

The total systematic uncertainty,  $u_{x,b}$  have components that are assumed to be statistically independent and hence orthogonal to each other. Therefore,  $u_{x,b}$  is equal to the norm of the vector whose components are the various systematic uncertainties. Misclosure is added to the systematic uncertainty at the closure location (NIST). For the RAWDIF, the values for the uncertainty corresponds to the first minimum of TDEV rounded to nearest 0.1 ns. The final result of the link calibration is given in table 8.

Using the uncertainty estimates from tables 7 and 6 and applying it to the values computed in table 4 the results for  $\Delta$ INTDLY(P1) and  $\Delta$ INTDLY(P2) are summarized in table 8. Using the adopted values for the internal delays for nist from the latest BIPM calibration of NIST receiver[6] (also given in Annex

quantity	uncertainty	C1(ns)
$RAWDIF_{nb05-cn00}$	ua	0.70
nb05 antenna position	$\mathbf{u}_{b,11}$	0.05
cn00 antenna position	$u_{b,12}$	0.05
nb05 multipath	$u_{b,13}$	0.20
cn00 multipath	$u_{b,14}$	0.20
$\operatorname{REFDLY}_{\mathrm{nb05}}$	$\mathbf{u}_{b,21}$	0.10
$\operatorname{REFDLY}_{\operatorname{cn00}}$	$\mathbf{u}_{b,22}$	0.10
$CABDLY_{nb05}$	$u_{b,31}$	0.10
$CABDLY_{cn00}$	$u_{b,32}$	0.10
$\Delta$ INTDLY <sub>nb05-cn00</sub>	UCENAM	0.90

Table 5: Uncertainties for the common-clock, co-located measurements of nb05 at CENAM

Table 6: Uncertainties for the common-clock, co-located measurements of nb05 at CENAMEP

quantity	uncertainty	P1(ns)	P2(ns)
RAWDIF <sub>nb05-mp1-</sub>	u <sub>a</sub>	0.09	0.12
nb05 antenna position	$u_{b,11}$	0	.05
$mp1_{-}$ antenna position	$u_{b,12}$	0	.05
nb05 multipath	$u_{b,13}$	$u_{b,13}$ 0.	
$mp1_{-}$ multipath	$u_{b,14}$		.20
$\operatorname{REFDLY}_{nb05}$	$u_{b,21}$	0.13	
REFDLY <sub>mp1_</sub>	$\mathbf{u}_{b,22}$	0.10	
$CABDLY_{nb05}$	$u_{b,31}$ 0.1		.10
CABDLY <sub>mp1_</sub>	$u_{b,32}$	0	.10
$\Delta$ INTDLY <sub>nb05-mp1-</sub>	UCENAMEP	0.50	0.40

A for NIST) along with values from table 8, the inferred internal delays for cn00 are given in table 9.

We note the importance of adopting the right procedure for the REFDLY measurement for TTS-4 and perhaps even TTS-5 receivers[7]. The calibration result and its uncertainty for UTC are not affected as long as the receiver set-up doesn't change, even if the REFDLY is assigned incorrectly. This is because the REFDLY is not just the PPS delay from the reference point to the receiver input.

For nb05 at CENAM, it appears that the PPS-in and the reference frequency for nb05 were from asynchronous sources. As a consequence, we see a drift in C1 RAWDIF values as well as the RefDLY  $(X_O)$ . The value  $X_o = PPS_{out} - PPS_{in}$  for nb05 is measured every 100s and is used for compensating the bias in C1 RAWDIF. The mean of the static component of  $X_o$  for nb05 at CENAM is 15.8 ns. The corrected C1 RAWDIF is 73.7 ns, which is obtained by adding the fit values of  $X_o$  to the C1 RAWDIF. We have to use the fitted values as the time stamps for  $X_o$  and C1 RAWDIF do not match at all times.

	uncontainter	P1(ns)		P2(ns)	
quantity	uncertainty	begin	end	begin	end
RAWDIF <sub>nb05-nist</sub>	u <sub>a</sub>	0.10	0.20	0.10	0.40
nb05 antenna position	$\mathbf{u}_{b,11}$		0.	05	
nist antenna position	$\mathbf{u}_{b,12}$		0.	05	
nb05 multipath	$\mathbf{u}_{b,13}$		0.	20	
nist multipath	$u_{b,14}$		0.	20	
$\operatorname{REFDLY}_{\mathrm{nb05}}$	$\mathbf{u}_{b,21}$	0.33	0.21	0.33	0.21
REFDLY <sub>nist</sub>	$\mathbf{u}_{b,22}$	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
$CABDLY_{nb05}$	$u_{b,31}$	0.10			
CABDLY <sub>nist</sub>	$\mathbf{u}_{b,32}$		0.	10	
$\Delta$ INTDLY <sub>nb05-nist</sub>		0.48	0.45	0.48	0.56
$\Delta INTDLY_{nb05-nist} _{max}/\sqrt{2}$		0.3	34	0.3	88
Misclosure/2	$\mathbf{u}_{b,1}$	-0.	32	-0.	01
$\Delta INTDLY_{nb05-nist}$	$u_{\rm NIST}$	0.5	50	0.4	40

Table 7: Uncertainties for the common-clock, co-located measurements of nb05 at NIST

Table 8:  $\Delta$ INTDLY for the two links

Pair	$\Delta$ INTDLY(P1/C1)	$\Delta$ INTDLY(P2)
	(ns)	(ns)
cn00-nist/C1	$49.8 \pm 1.0$	N/A
mp1nist	$42.8\pm0.7$	$39.8\pm0.6$

Rcvr	INTDLY(P1/C1)	INTDLY(P2)
	(ns)	(ns)
cn00/C1	-22.8	N/A
$mp1_{-}$	-30.0	-32.8

Table 9: Estimated INTDLY for the receivers

### 5 Secondary information

- 1. RAWDIF and TDev plots: Attached separately.
- 2. Annex A: Attached separately.
- 3. Data files: ftp//ftp.nist.gov/pub/pml/688gps/GNSS-Calibrations/

### References

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- [2] ftp://ftp2.bipm.org/pub/tai/publication/gnss-calibration/guidelines/
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- [5] P Defraigne and G Petit, Time transfer to TAI using geodetic receivers, Metrologia, vol. 40, no. 4, pp 184, 2003
- [6] ftp://ftp2.bipm.org/pub/tai/publication/gnss-calibration/group1/1001-2016/1001-2016-phase3report.pdf
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RAWDIF nb05-cn00/ C1









Laboratory:		NIST		
Date and hour of the beginning of measurements:		027, 2017, 00:30:00		
Date and hour of the end of measurements:		031, 2017, 23:59:30		
	Information (	on the system		
	Local:		Travelling:	
4-character BIPM code	nist		nb05	
• Receiver maker and type:	Novatel OEM4-	G2	Novatel OEMV	
Receiver serial number:			NAP11260003	
1 PPS trigger level /V:	1.0		0.5	
• Antenna cable maker and type:	Andrea FSJ-50A	L	Andrea FSJ-50A	
Phase stabilised cable (Y/N):	N		N	
Length outside the building /m:	65		25	
• Antenna maker and type:	Novatel 702		Novatel GNSS 750	
Antenna serial number:			NDE 10480003	
Temperature (if stabilised) /°C				
	Measured	delays /ns	-	
(if nee	ded fill box "Additi	ional Information" be	low)	
	Local:		Travelling:	
• Delay from local UTC to receiver 1 PPS-in, X <sub>P</sub>	66.69 ± 0.02 *		$465.41 \pm 0.11$	
Delay from 1 PPS-in to internal	19.70 ± 0.10 *		14.51 ± 0.33	
Reference (if different), $X_0$				
• Antenna cable delay, X <sub>C</sub>	275.5		205.6 (L1), 205.8 (L2)	
Splitter delay (if any)	N/A		N/A	
Additional cable delay (if any)	N/A		N/A	
Data used	for the gener	cation of CGG	TTS files	
• INT DLY (GPS) /ns:		-72.8 (P1), -72.3 (	(P2),-72.6(C1)	
• INT DLY (GLONASS) /ns:				
• CAB DLY /ns:		275.5		
• REF DLY /ns:		86.4		
• Coordinates reference frame:		WGS84		
Latitude or X /m:		-1288398.360		
Longitude or Y /m:		-4721697.040		
Height or Z /m:		4078625.500		
	General in	formation		
• Rise time of the local UTC pulse:		3 ns		
• Is the laboratory air conditioned:		yes		
Set temperature value and uncertaint	ty:			
Set humidity value and uncertainty:				

\* Dec 9, 2015 \*\* averaged over measurement duration \*\*\* 449.72 ± 0.08 added to 15.69 ± 0.14

Laboratory: CENAM				
Date and hour of the beginning of	17 FEB 2017	00.00 UTC	57801 (MJD)	
Date and hour of the end of measurements		24 FEB 2017	24.00 UTC	57808 (MJD)
	Information of	on the system		
	L	ocal		Traveling
4-character BIPM code	C	N00		nb05
Receiver maker and type Receiver serial number	Piktim S/N 024 (.	e TTS-3 AUG 2007)	No S/N	vatel OEMV NAP11260003
1 PPS trigger level /V	(	).5		0.5
Antenna cable maker and type Phase stabilized cable (Y/N)	Andrew FSJ-	50A HELIAX N	Andrew 3	FSJ-50A (cable T2) N
Length outside the building /m:	~	30		50
Antenna maker and type Antenna serial number	Javad I MA:	MarAnt+ #2847	Nov S/N	atel GNSS 750 NDE10480003
Temperature (if stabilized) /°C				
	Measured	delays /ns		
	L	ocal		Traveling
Delay from local UTC to receiver 1 PPS-in (X <sub>P</sub> )	2	25.3		11.77 ± 0.14
Delay from 1 PPS-in to internal Reference (if different)(X <sub>o</sub> )	N	N/A		3.61± 1.78
Antenna cable delay (X <sub>C</sub> )	14	6.50	205.6	(L1), 205.8 (L2)
Splitter delay (if any)	N	I/A		N/A
Additional cable delay (if any)	N	J/A		N/A
Data use	ed for the gener	ation of CGG	ГТS files	
INT DLY (or $X_R+X_S$ ) (G)	PS)/ns		-29.30	
INT DLY (or X <sub>R</sub> +X <sub>S</sub> ) (GLO	NASS) /ns		-118.30	)
CAB DLY (or X <sub>c</sub> ) /	ns	146.50		
$\frac{1}{1} REF DLY (or X_P + X_O)$	/ns	25.30		
Coordinates reference	frame	WGS84		
X /m		-1064057.15		
<u>Y</u> /m		-5881572.41		
Ζ /111			+2224142	
	General in	formation		
Rise time of the local UTC pulse				
Is the laboratory air conditioned	ainty	yes		
Set humidity value and uncertaint	tv	<u>ר∠≖ט.∠ C</u> 35+1		

Laboratory:		CENAMEP			
Date and hour of the beginning of measurements:		103, 2017, 00:30:00			
Date and hour of the end of measurements:		108, 2017, 23:59:30			
Information on the system					
	Local:	-	Travelling:		
4-character BIPM code	mp1_		nb05		
• Receiver maker and type:	PIK Time TTS-5		Novatel OEMV		
Receiver serial number:	1003		NAP11260003		
1 PPS trigger level /V:	0.5		0.5		
• Antenna cable maker and type:	Andrea FSJ-50A		Andrea FSJ-50A		
Phase stabilised cable (Y/N):	N		N		
Length outside the building /m:	7		25		
<ul> <li>Antenna maker and type:</li> </ul>	Javad choke ring		Novatel GNSS 750		
Antenna serial number:	00647		NDE 10480003		
Temperature (if stabilised) /°C	N		Ν		
Measured delays /ns					
(if needed fill box "Additional Information" below)					
	Local:		Travelling:		
• Delay from local UTC to receiver 1 PPS-in, X <sub>P</sub>	50.6		47.15 ± 0.13		
Delay from 1 PPS-in to internal	N/A		10.25± 0.04		
	122.26				
• Antenna Cable delay, $A_C$	123.20 N/A		N/A		
Additional cable delay (if any)					
Additional cable delay (if ally)					
Data used for the generation of CGGTTS files					
• INT DLY (GPS) /ns:					
• INT DLY (GLONASS) /ns:					
• CAB DLY /ns:					
• REF DLY /ns:					
• Coordinates reference frame:					
Latitude or X /m:					
Longitude or Y /m:					
General information					
Rise time of the local UTC pulse:		5 ns			
• IS the laboratory air conditioned:		yes 23 °C + 3 °C			
Set humidity value and uncertainty:		55%RH ± 25%RH			

Laboratory:		NIST			
Date and hour of the beginning of measurements:		138, 2017, 00:30:00			
Date and hour of the end of measurements:		142, 2017, 23:59:30			
Information on the system					
	Local:	-	Travelling:		
4-character BIPM code	nist		nb05		
• Receiver maker and type:	Novatel OEM4-G2		Novatel OEMV		
Receiver serial number:			NAP11260003		
1 PPS trigger level /V:	1.0		0.5		
• Antenna cable maker and type:	Andrea FSJ-50A		Andrea FSJ-50A		
Phase stabilised cable (Y/N):	N		N		
Length outside the building /m:	65		25		
• Antenna maker and type:	Novatel 702		Novatel GNSS 750		
Antenna serial number:			NDE 10480003		
Temperature (if stabilised) /°C					
	Measured	delays /ns			
(if needed fill box "Additional Information" below)					
	Local:		Travelling:		
• Delay from local UTC to receiver 1 PPS-in, X <sub>P</sub>	66.69 ± 0.02 *		$465.36 \pm 0.13$		
Delay from 1 PPS-in to internal	19.70 ± 0.10 *		14.57± 0.21		
Reference (if different), $X_0$					
• Antenna cable delay, X <sub>C</sub>	275.5		205.6 (L1), 205.8 (L2)		
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					
• INT DLY (GPS) /ns:		-72.8 (P1), -72.3 (P2),-72.6(C1)			
• INT DLY (GLONASS) /ns:					
• CAB DLY /ns:		275.5			
• REF DLY /ns:		86.4			
Coordinates reference frame:		WGS84			
Latitude or X /m:		-1288398.360			
Longitude or Y /m:		-4721697.040			
Height or Z /m:		4078625.500			
	General in	formation			
• Rise time of the local UTC pulse:		3 ns			
• Is the laboratory air conditioned:		yes			
Set temperature value and uncertain	ty:				
Set humidity value and uncertainty:					

\* Dec 9, 2015

\*\* averaged over measurement duration \*\*\* 449.72  $\pm$  0.08 added to 15.64  $\pm$  0.17