IGS Bias and Calibration Working Group (BCWG)

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Overview of the Bias Working Group Charter

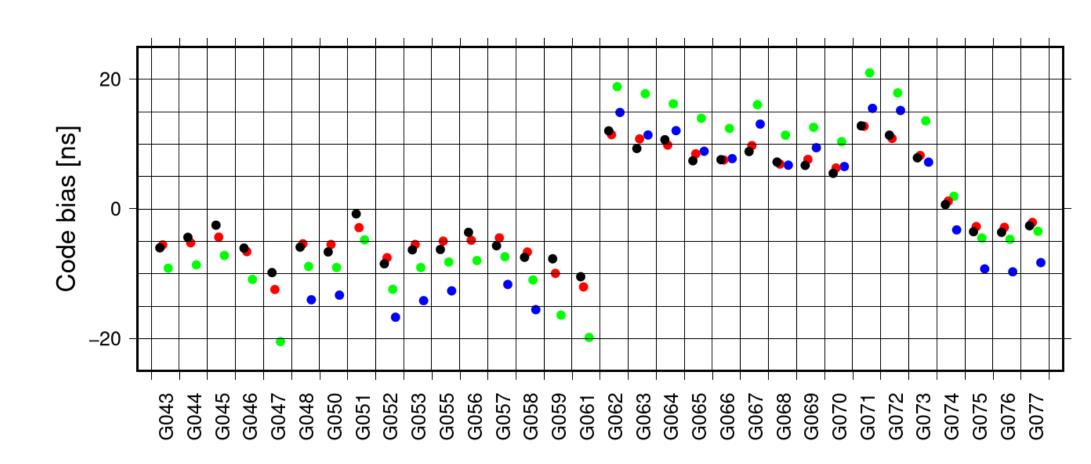
- Bias WG Chair: Stefan Schaer, affiliated with
 - Swiss Federal Office of Topography (swisstopo), Wabern, Switzerland,
 - 2) Astronomical Institute of the University of Bern, Bern, Switzerland, and a team member of the Center for Orbit Determination in Europe (CODE).
- The IGS Bias and Calibration Working Group (BCWG), established in 2003, with the following main/overall goal:
 - The BCWG coordinates research in the field of GNSS bias retrieval and monitoring. It
 defines rules for appropriate, consistent handling of biases which are crucial for a "modelmixed" GNSS receiver network and satellite constellation, respectively.
 - In close collaboration in particular with: <u>Clock WG</u>, Iono WG, PPP-AR WG



• Main focus originally on GPS C1W-C1C (P1-C1)

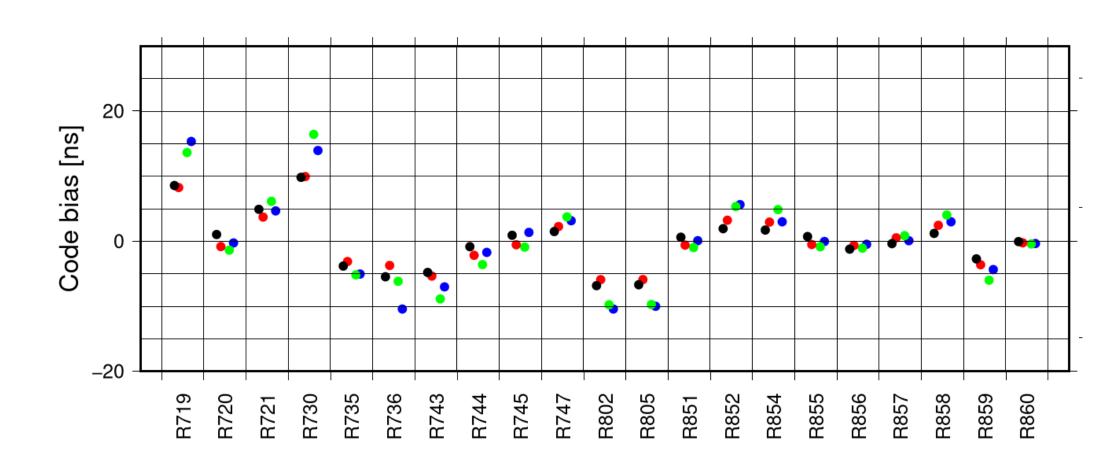


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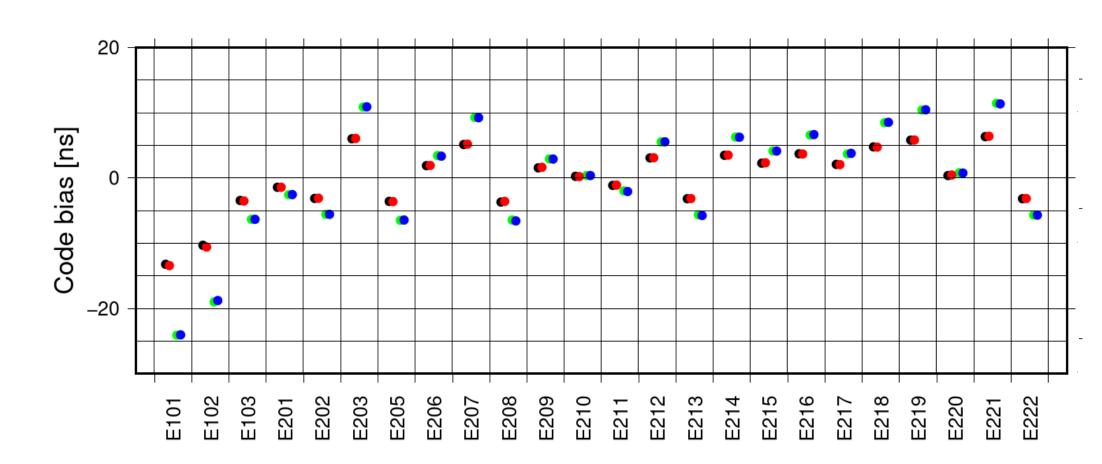


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- IGS Bias Workshop 2015 → to discuss and finalize Bias-SINEX data format version 1.00



https://files.igs.org/pub/data/format/sinex bias 100.pdf



Progress since last AM Meeting (Dec 2019)

Let us highlight the following key achievements:

- We are moving more and more from a DCB (differential code bias) representation to an OSB (observable-specific signal bias) representation, which shows its advantages regarding multi-GNSS (due to the multitude of different observation types and tracking modes).
- The provision of phase biases (for the PPP-AR application) in OSB form conforming to Bias-SINEX seems to be becoming more and more established within the IGS.



Future Work

 We are working at CODE to additionally generate and make available OSB values for all determinable intra-frequency code signals (such as, e.g., GPS C2L) soon:

ftp://ftp.aiub.unibe.ch/CODE/CODE.BIA
ftp://cddis.gsfc.nasa.gov/gnss/products/bias/code.bia

- The consideration of the third signal frequency (e.g. specifically L1/L5 for GPS) may be seen as a long-term effort for the whole IGS.
- "The IGS should open up the possibility to include the second midnight epoch (00:00 and 24:00) in orbit and clock product submissions." is still an open wish.



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Thank You! Contact:

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