

# Leica GNSS Spider Setting the Standard for RTK Networks



## The Iowa RTN Concepts and Solutions

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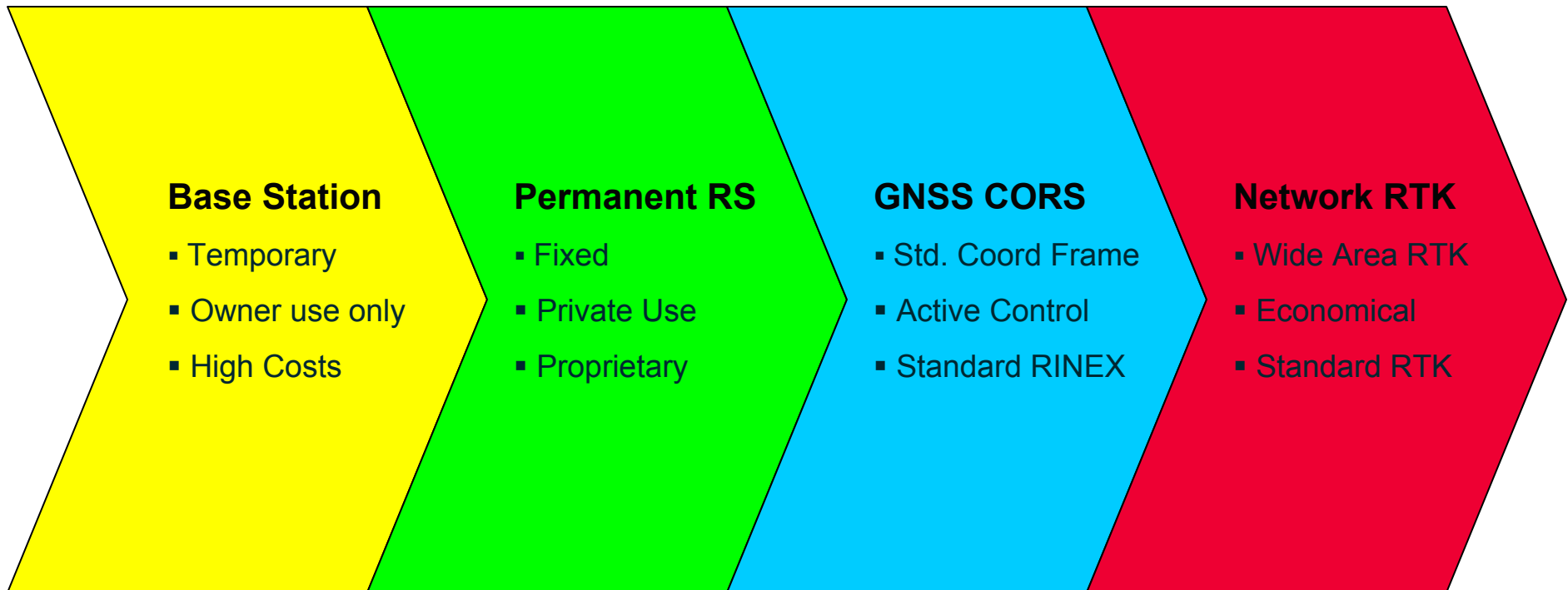


## Motivation for Network RTK

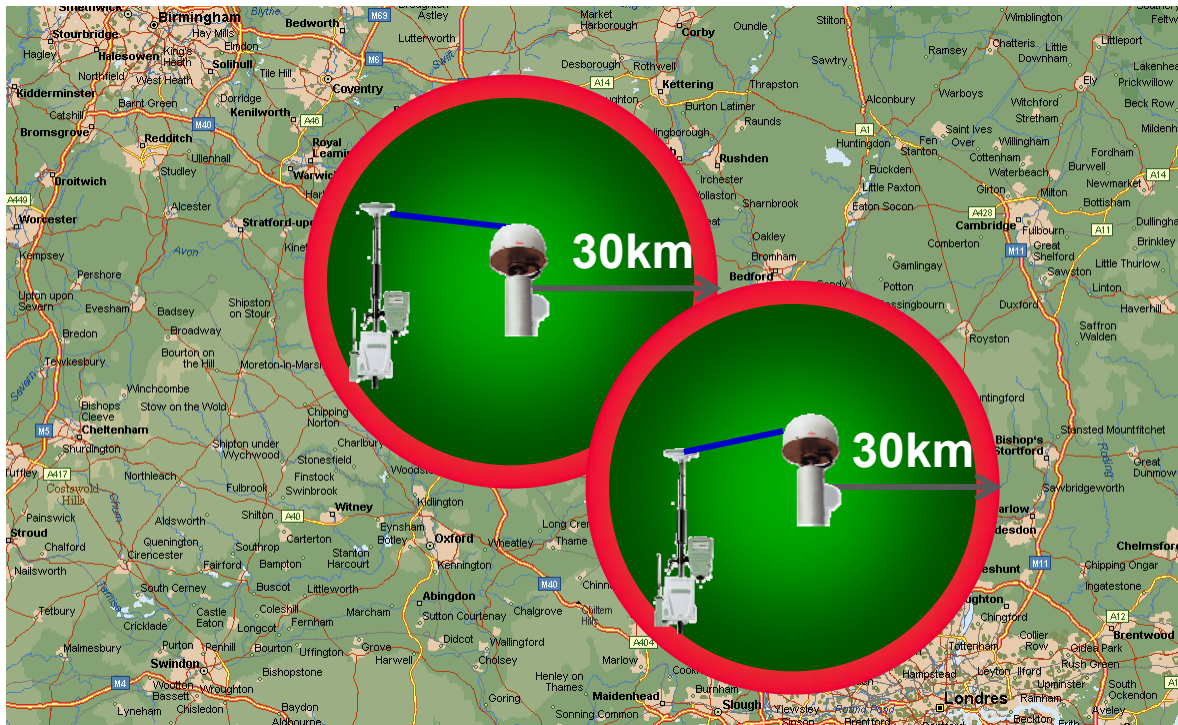
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# Reference Station Evolution



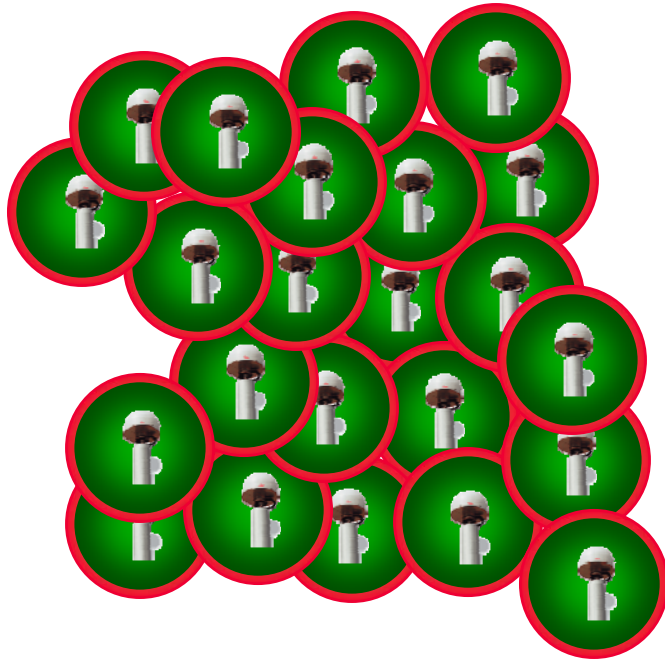
# Conventional Single Base RTK




- **GPS RTK base station**
  - Typically temporary installation on a tripod
  - Reference for GPS operations in a small area (up to 30km) over a limited time

Accuracy, Reliability, Availability  
Good  Poor

# Limitations of Single Base RTK

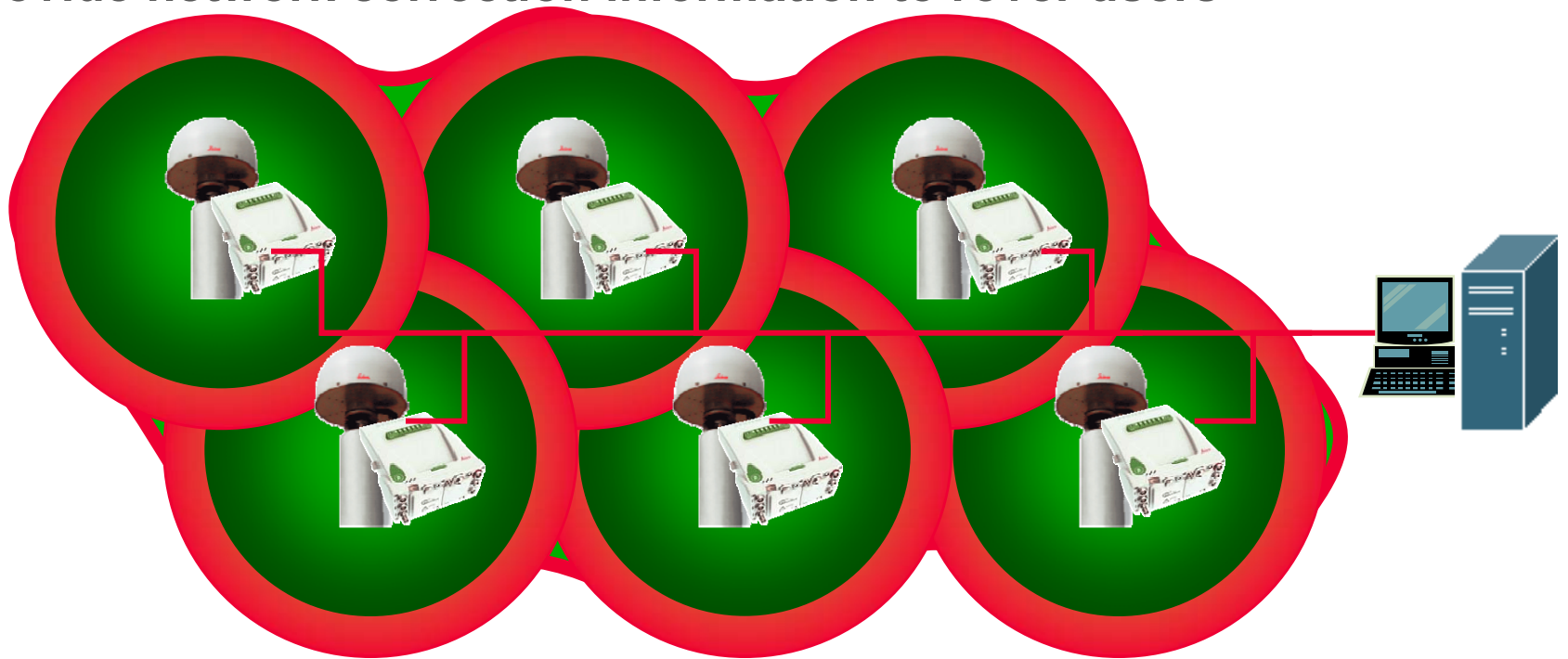


- High density of stations required for good coverage
- No continuity in quality of service (accuracy, reliability, availability)
- Higher costs
- Reduced productivity

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# Motivation for Network RTK

- **Model and estimate distance-dependent errors**
  - Main error sources: ionosphere, troposphere and satellite orbits
- **Provide network correction information to rover users**



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# Development of an RTCM Network RTK Message Format

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# The Radio Technical Commission for Maritime Services (RTCM)

Founded in 1947 as a US State Dept Advisory Committee, now an independent organization

Supports the development of GNSS message format standards

Membership includes

- 22 government agencies from 7 nations

- 56 manufacturers from 14 nations

- 41 other stakeholders

Standing Committee 104 focuses on the Differential GNSS Standards

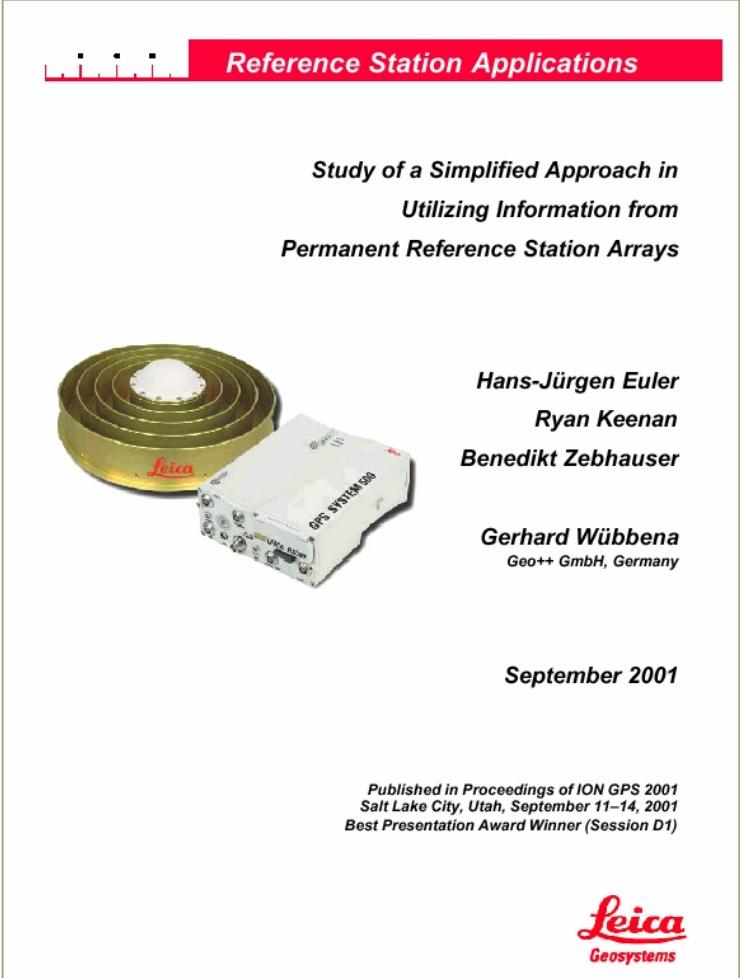
# RTCM SC-104: Differential GNSS Standards

Originally set up in 1983 to develop standards for DGPS to achieve 5 meter accuracy navigation & positioning

- Version 1 was replaced by Version 2, when implementation problems turned up (1990)
- Version 2.1 added Real-Time Kinematic (RTK) messages to provide decimeter accuracy of short ranges (1994)
- Version 2.2 expanded differential operation to GLONASS, provided ancillary RTK messages (1998)
- Version 2.3 added several new messages to improve RTK, radio beacon broadcasts, use of Loran-C (2001)
- Inefficiency of Version 2 messages led to the development an improved format—more efficient, higher integrity, and simplicity of development— Version 3.0 (2004)
- Version 3 primarily aimed at improving RTK, supporting networked RTK

# The RTCM 3.0 Master-Auxiliary Concept (MAC)

- **Purpose of the Master-Auxiliary Concept**
  - To overcome the issues of the existing approaches
  - To provide interoperability between network and rover systems
  - To transmit all relevant network correction data from a reference network to the rover user in a highly compact and standardized form by representing ambiguity levelled observation data as correction differences of dispersive and non-dispersive data.



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# RTCM 3.x Message Groups, Message Types (MT)

- Observations

- GPS L1 MT: 1001, 1002
- GPS L1/L2 MT: 1003, 1004
- GLONASS L1 MT: 1009, 1010
- GLONASS L1/L2 MT: 1011, 1012

- Station Coordinates

MT: 1005,1006

- Antenna Description

MT: 1007,1008

- Auxiliary Operation Information

MT: 1013

- Supplemental

- GPS Ephemeris MT: 1019
- GLONASS Ephemeris MT: 1020
- Network RTK (MAC) MT: 1014-1017
- Transformation Parameters MT: 1021-1027
- Proprietary Messages MT: 4088-4095

# RTCM Master-Auxiliary Concept

$$\Delta\Phi_{km,l}^j(t) = \Delta s_{km}^j + \Delta\delta r_{km}^j(t) + c \cdot \Delta dt_{km,l} + \Delta T_{km}^j(t) - \frac{\Delta I_{km}^j(t)}{f_1^2} + \frac{c}{f_1} \cdot \Delta N_{km,l}^j + \Delta\varepsilon_1 \quad (1)$$

where

$\Delta s_{km}^j$  geometric range term including antenna phase centre variations which have been applied by the network processing software.

$\Delta\delta r_{km}^j$  broadcast orbit error.

$\Delta dt_{km}$  receiver clock error.

$\Delta T_{km}^j$  tropospheric refraction error.

$\Delta I_{km}^j$  frequency dependent ionospheric delay.

$\Delta N_{km,l}^j$  frequency dependent integer ambiguity.

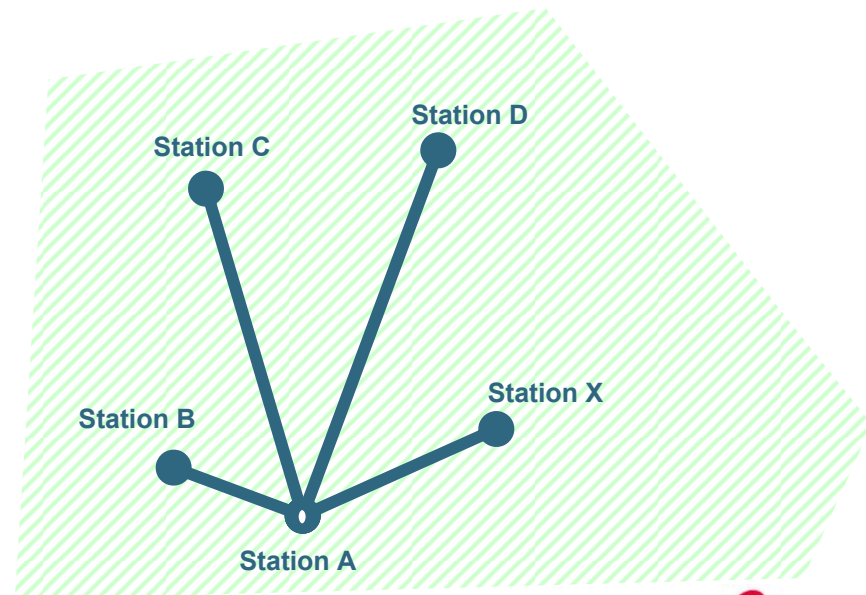
$\Delta\varepsilon$  frequency dependent random measurement error.

$t$  epoch.

$c$  speed of light.

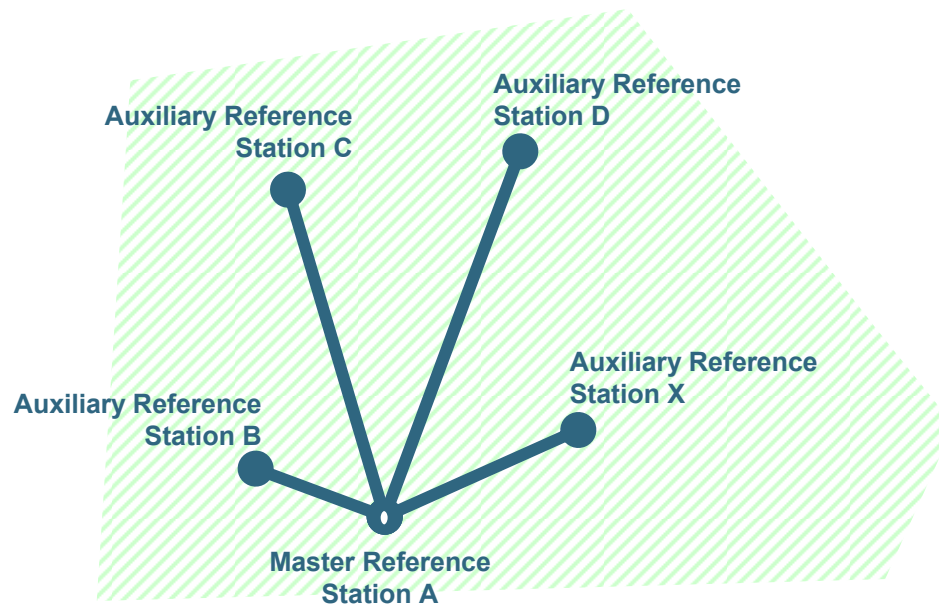
$f_1$  frequency of L1.

Description of the **MAC correction differences** begins with the definition of a single difference L1 phase equation between station  $k$  and  $m$  and satellite  $j$ . (L2 equations follow similarly.)



# RTCM Master-Auxiliary Concept

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\Delta\Phi_{km,l}^j &= \Delta s_{km}^j(t) - \Delta\Phi_{km,l}^j(t) + c \cdot \Delta dt_{km,l} \\ &+ \frac{c}{f_1} \cdot \Delta N_{km,l}^j \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$



Correction differences are formed by subtracting the *ambiguity-leveled phase corrections* of a designated **master reference station** from the equivalent corrections of the remaining **auxiliary reference stations** in the network.

This is the main task of the network processing software is to reduce the ambiguities for the phase ranges from all reference stations in the network to a common level.

# RTCM Master-Auxiliary Concept

$$\delta\Delta\Phi_{km,1}^{f, \text{dtsp}} = \frac{f_2^2}{f_2^2 - f_1^2} \delta\Delta\Phi_{km,1}^f - \frac{f_2^2}{f_2^2 - f_1^2} \delta\Delta\Phi_{km,2}^f \quad (3)$$

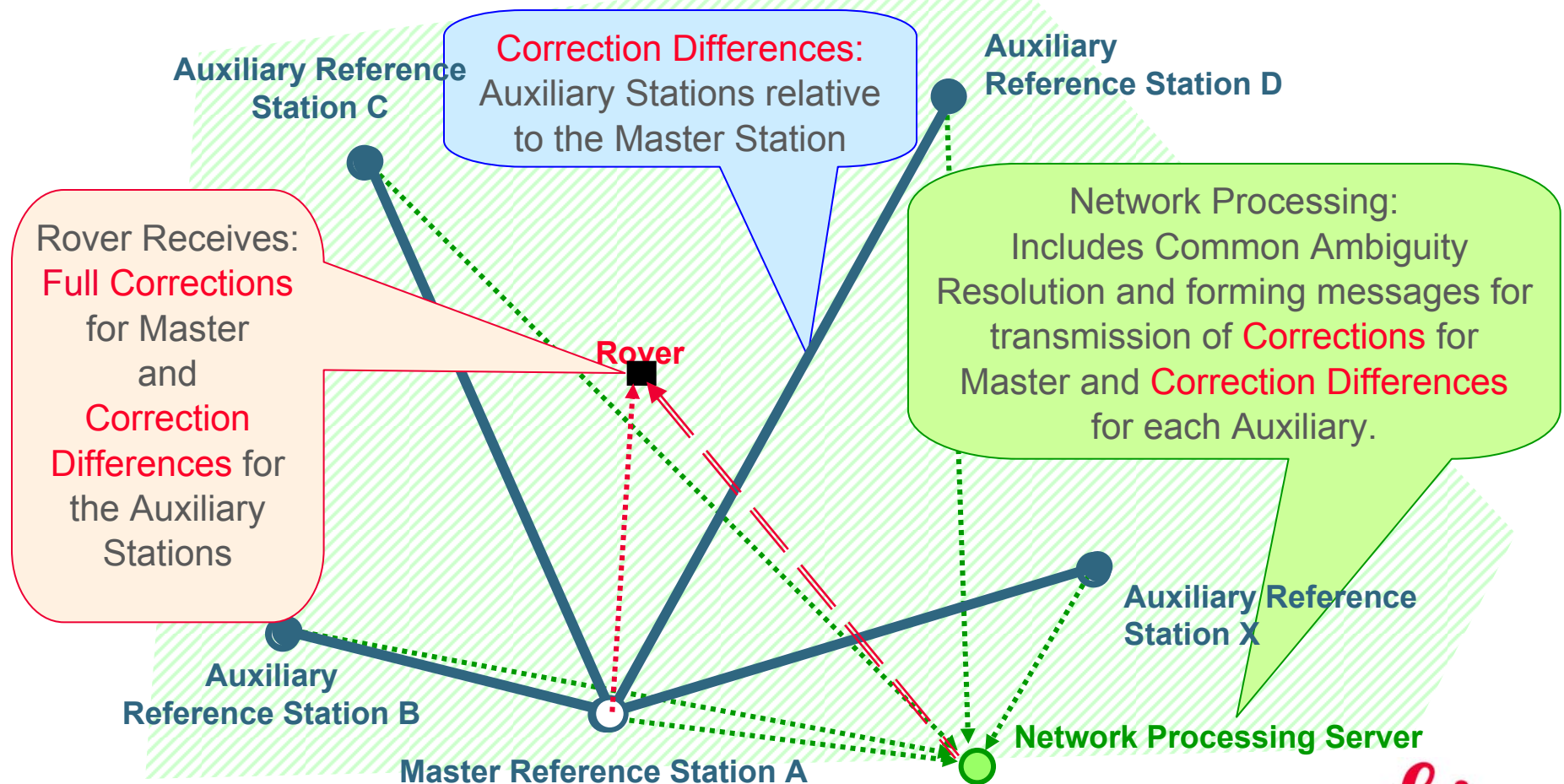
$$\delta\Delta\Phi_{km,1}^{f, \text{non-dtsp}} = \frac{f_1^2}{f_1^2 - f_2^2} \delta\Delta\Phi_{km,1}^f - \frac{f_2^2}{f_1^2 - f_2^2} \delta\Delta\Phi_{km,2}^f \quad (4)$$

To further reduce the amount of data transmitted to the rover, the correction differences are separated into a **dispersive component** (ionospheric refraction) and a **non-dispersive component** (tropospheric refraction and orbit errors).

In general, non-dispersive errors change more slowly over time compared to the dispersive errors, especially in times of high ionospheric activity.

# RTCM MAC Concept for Network Transmission

One Master Reference Station, plus  
Some Auxiliary Reference Stations → One Network Cell

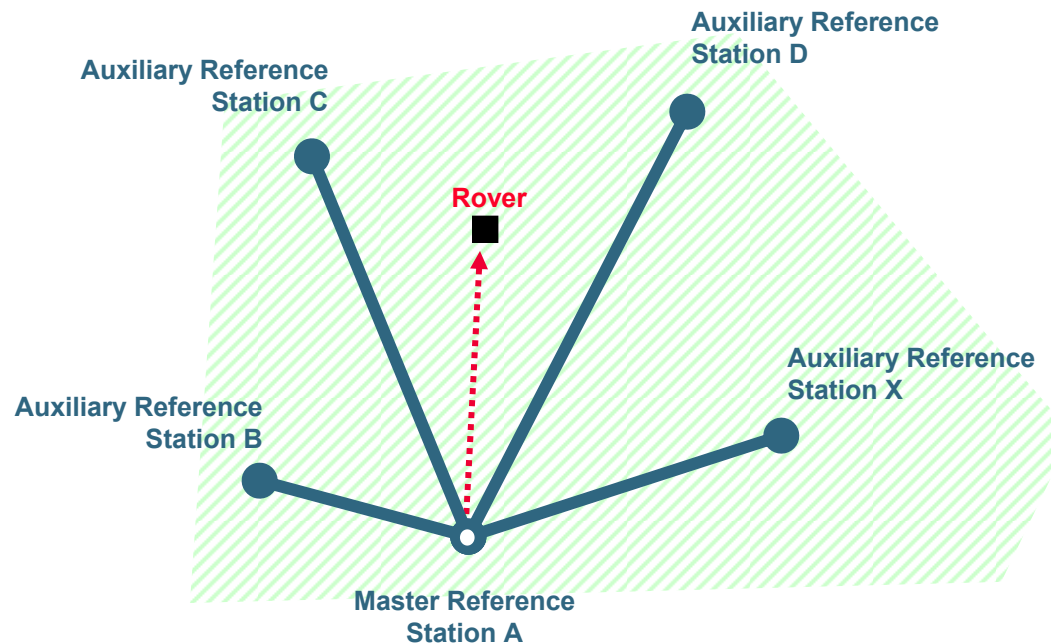




# RTCM Master-Auxiliary Concept

The rover receives the raw carrier phase data for the master reference station and the ambiguity-levelled correction differences for each auxiliary reference station.

Optimal correction differences can then be interpolated for the position of the rover, due to the common integer ambiguity level of the reference stations, and used to improve the double difference phase residuals of the master-rover baseline.



## Benefits of the RTCM MAC concept ...

As it is a standard, ALL processes are fully described & documented.

- No need for any additional proprietary message
- Full interoperability is guaranteed between rovers and control center and between different control centers
- Networking Software is “transparent” regarding Reference Station data
- Network Operators can concentrate on valuable additional services

➔ Rovers will finally perform optimally



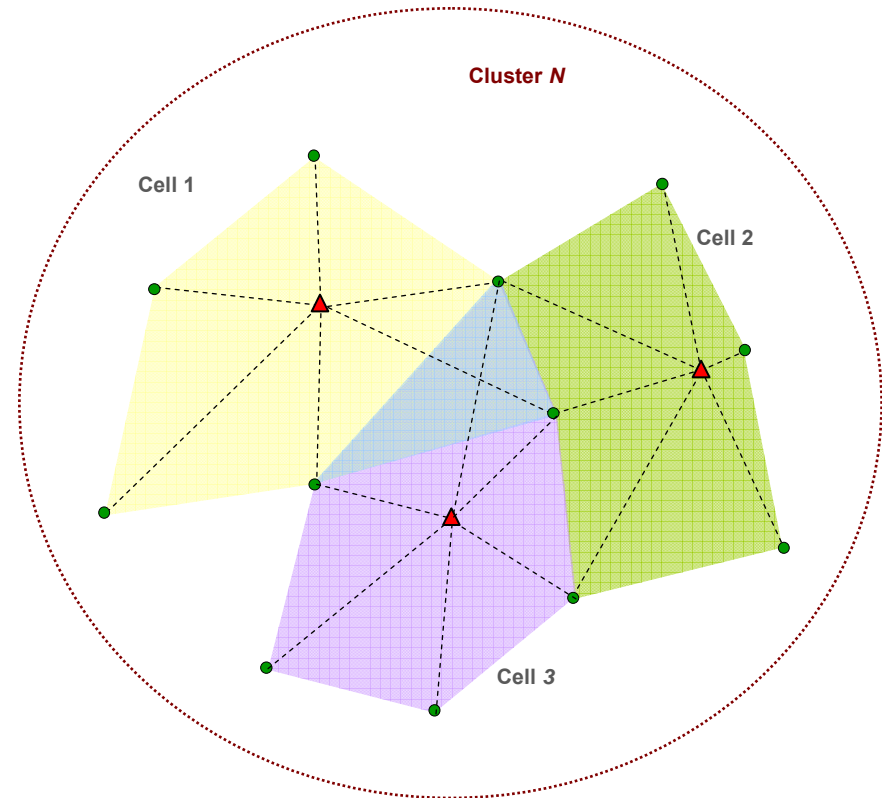
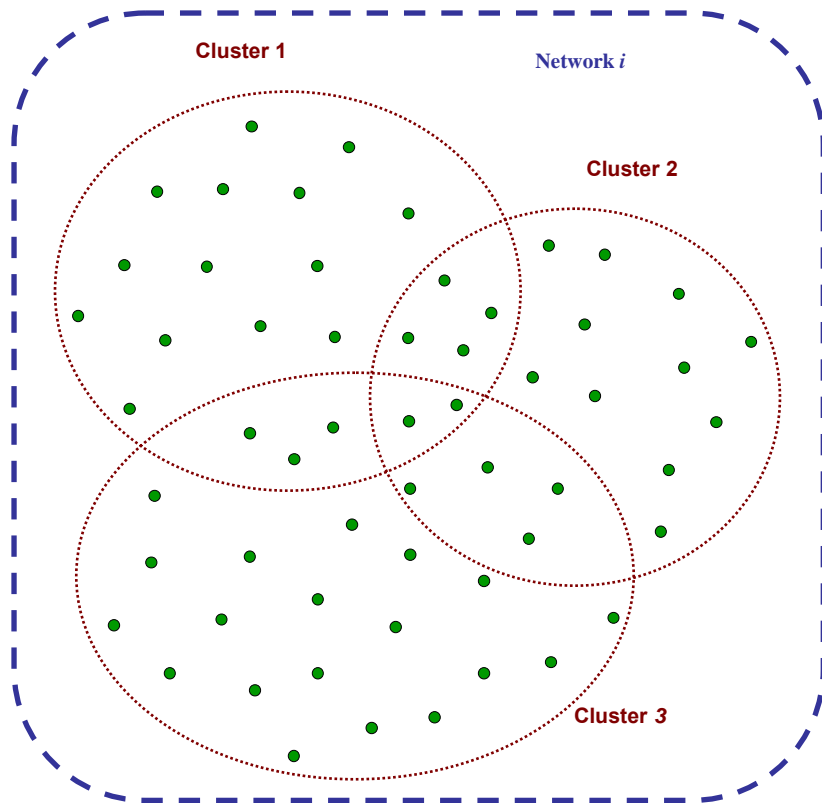
## Leica Implementation of the Master – Auxiliary Concept

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# Leica SpiderNet Concept

## Networks, Clusters & Cells



# Network Processing

## Understanding how SpiderNET works

### Network Processing is done in 4 main steps:

- Pre-processing of raw observations
- Estimation of Float Ambiguities (LAMBDA method)
- Fixing of Float Ambiguities (Constraints)
- Provision of network corrections

For estimation of the relevant parameters, including network ambiguities, satellite and receiver clocks, satellite orbits and deterministic atmospheric models, SpiderNet uses zero-difference code and carrier phase measurements in an mathematically optimal observation based Kalman filter.

This approach avoids the use of linear combinations of GPS observables, such as the well known wide-lane and ionosphere-free combinations, which magnify measurement noise and multipath.

# Network Processing

## Understanding how SpiderNET works

- **Pre-processing of raw observations**
  - Cycle slip detection
  - Application of Troposphere model
  - Application of Ionospheric model
  - Code and phase range checks
    - Gross errors in station coordinates
    - Bad data
  - Orbit calculation (Broadcast and Precise)

# Network Processing

## Understanding how SpiderNET works

- **Estimation of Float Ambiguities**

- Cycle slip repair
- Ionosphere activity parameter effects the temporal parameters used in stochastic ionosphere modelling
- Clock parameters estimation

- 👉 New Orbits are taken into account at start of new estimation cycle

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# Network Processing

## Understanding how SpiderNET works

- **Fixing of Float Ambiguities**

- GPS SpiderNET uses zero difference processing, so it is necessary to constrain the ambiguities
  - For one station (all satellites are fixed)
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- Constraining is done automatically
- Constraints define the ambiguity level
- Repeated fixing of ambiguities and verification of ambiguities takes place



# Network Processing

## Understanding how SpiderNET works

- **Provision of network corrections**
  - Reduction of raw data
    - Broadcast ephemeris
    - Common receiver clock
    - Fixed ambiguities
    - Geometric range
  - Network corrections are on a common ambiguity level within one cluster

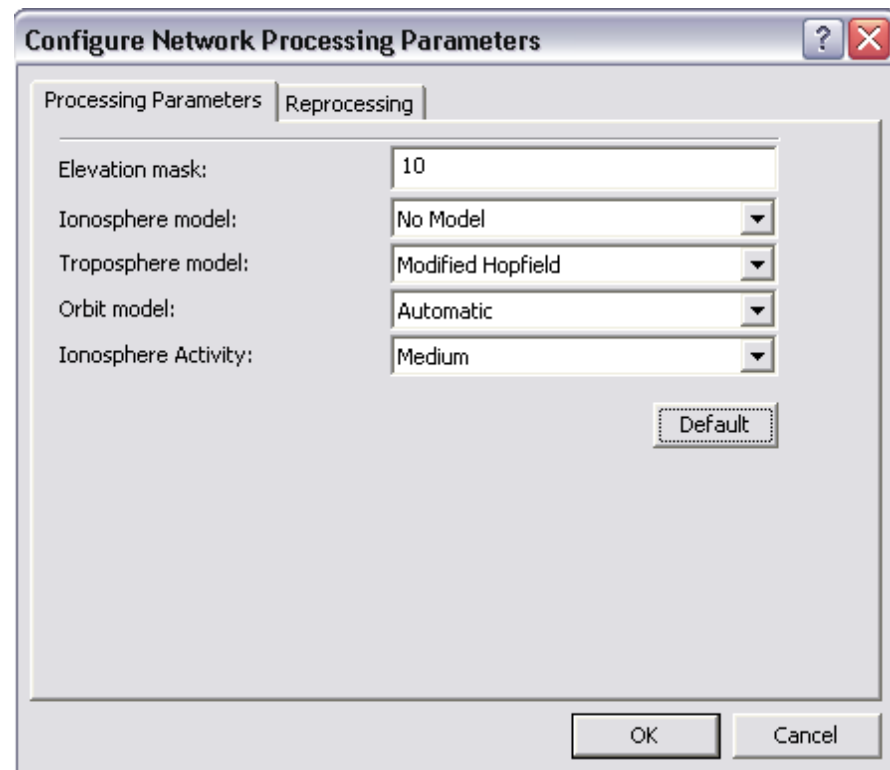
# Network Processing

## Understanding how SpiderNET works

### Configurable Network Processing Parameters



- Elevation mask
- Ionosphere model
- Troposphere model
- Orbit model
- Ionosphere activity



# Network Processing

## Configurable Parameters - Elevation mask

- Observations of low elevation satellites can sometimes prove to be problematic because of:
  - An increase in measurement noise
  - An increase in measurement error
  - A higher likelihood of loss of data
- In such cases the recommended procedure is to increase the satellite elevation cut-off angle to limit the influence of bad data.
- If there are problems with the resolution of ambiguities an increase in the cut-off angle might also improve processing. This is because low elevation satellites are more influenced by multipath, un-modelled atmospheric effects and measurement noise.

# Network Processing

## Configurable Parameters - Ionosphere model

- The Ionospheric model parameter defines which model is used to reduce the impact of the ionosphere. The following models for the ionosphere are available:
  - **No model**
  - **Klobuchar model**
- The ionospheric activity follows an eleven years cycle with its last peak in 2000. The Klobuchar model reflects the 11-year cycle of solar activity and can be advantageous during the time of high solar activity.
- The Klobuchar model should correct for global ionospheric disturbances. In general, it models about 50% of the ionosphere.
- The Klobuchar model is a rather coarse model and hence, there is not much benefit to using it at times of low ionospheric activity.
- The parameters for the Klobuchar model are provided by the navigation message that is sent by each satellite.

# Network Processing

## Configurable Parameters - Troposphere model

Various models exist (all based on information of pressure, temperature and relative humidity of the ground station) which reduce the tropospheric path delay.

- The following models for the troposphere are available:
  - No model
  - Modified Hopfield
  - Saastamoinen
  - Niell
- Standard troposphere models usually agree for high elevation satellites (difference of few millimeters).
- The differences between the models are only significant for low elevations below 5 degrees.

# Network Processing

## Configurable Parameters - Orbit model

- **Two orbit model options are available:**
  - Broadcast only
  - Automatic
    - Broadcast ephemeris used for sending network RTK corrections
    - Precise ephemeris used for network ambiguity resolution
- **Precise ephemeris (IGS Ultra Rapid Orbits)**
  - are near real-time orbits delivered 4 times a day
  - have an accuracy of approx. ~10cm
- **Broadcast ephemeris**
  - have an accuracy of approx. ~2m

# Steps to Network Positioning

Reference  
stations

Fix the carrier phase ambiguities  
between the reference stations.

Calculate the errors  
for each reference station.

Interpolate the estimated reference  
errors to the location of the rover.

Apply corrections to the data from  
the master reference station.

Rover

Rover processing to calculate a position.

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# Steps to Network Positioning (Spider MAX)

Reference stations

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SpiderNET

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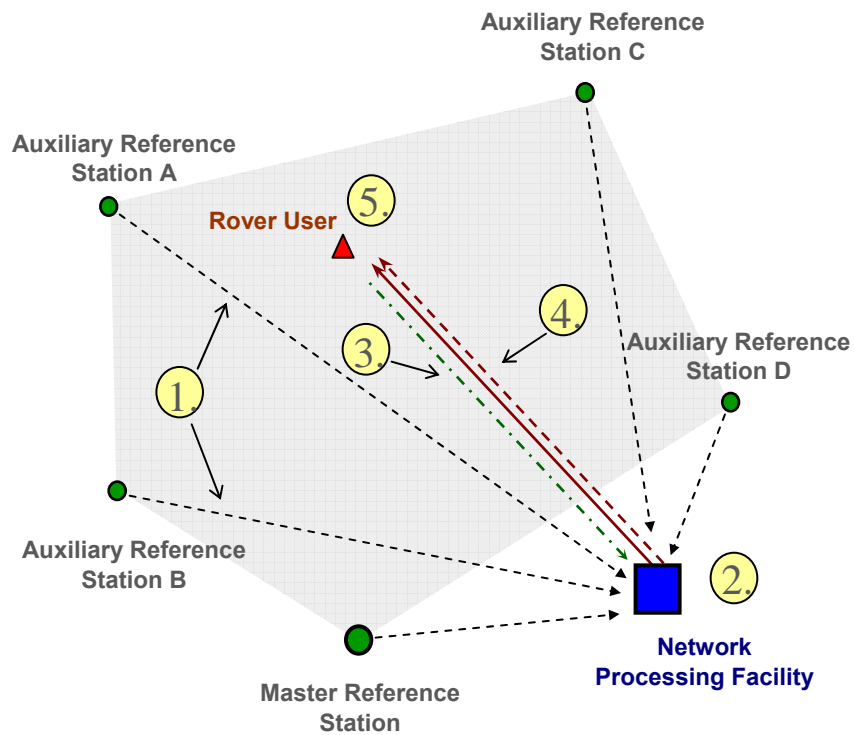
Rover receiver

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# MAX Corrections



1. Transmission of raw observation data from the reference stations to the network processing facility.
2. Network estimation process including **ambiguity resolution** to reduce the stations to the common ambiguity level.
3. (Optional) NMEA GGA position received from the rover at the network processing facility. The most appropriate reference stations are chosen for the rover based on its location.
4. Formation and transmission of RTCM 3.0 network message using **corrections** for the Master station and **correction differences** for the auxiliary stations.
5. Computation of high accuracy rover position using the full information from the reference network.

# Steps to Network Positioning (Spider iMAX)

Reference stations

Fix the carrier phase ambiguities between the reference stations.

Calculate the estimated errors for each reference station.

Interpolate the estimated reference errors to the location of the rover.

Apply corrections to the data from the master reference station.

Rover

Rover processing to calculate a position.

SpiderNET

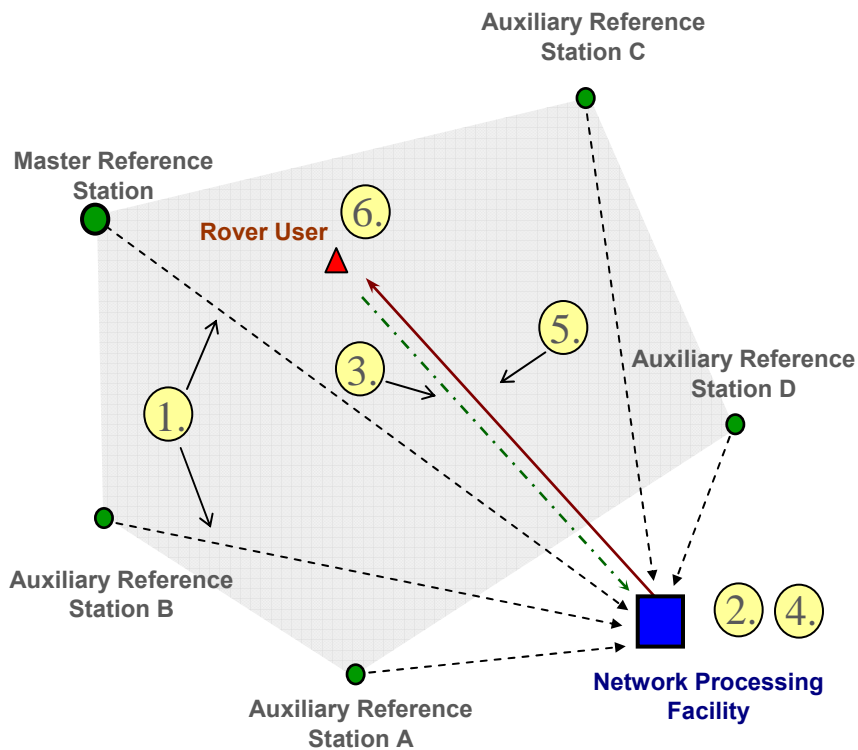
iMAX

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# i-MAX Corrections



1. Transmission of raw observation data from the reference stations to the network processing facility.
2. Network estimation process including **ambiguity resolution** to reduce the stations to the common ambiguity level.
3. NMEA GGA position received from the rover at the network processing facility. The most appropriate reference stations are chosen for the rover based on its location. The master station is chosen as the reference station closest to the rover.
4. Leica GPS Spider calculates the **network corrections** for the rover and applies them to the observations from the master station.
5. Formation and transmission of RTCM 2.3 or Leica format corrections from the master station.
6. Computation of high accuracy rover position using the reference network.

# Network Processing and Performance

## Understanding how SpiderNET works

### Network RTK corrections – RTK Proxy Server

- **iMAX Network RTK corrections**

- Rover NMEA required
- Two-way communication (duplex) is always required
- Master-Auxiliary correction differences used to correct raw observations of Master station
- Send corrections to rover

- **MAX Network RTK corrections**

- Send Master-Auxiliary correction differences to rover
- Send raw observations of Master station to rover
- Rover applies Master-Auxiliary correction differences in baseline processing
- One-way communication (simplex) is supported when providing MAX Network RTK corrections based on Single Cells (Master and Auxiliary Stations are predefined)

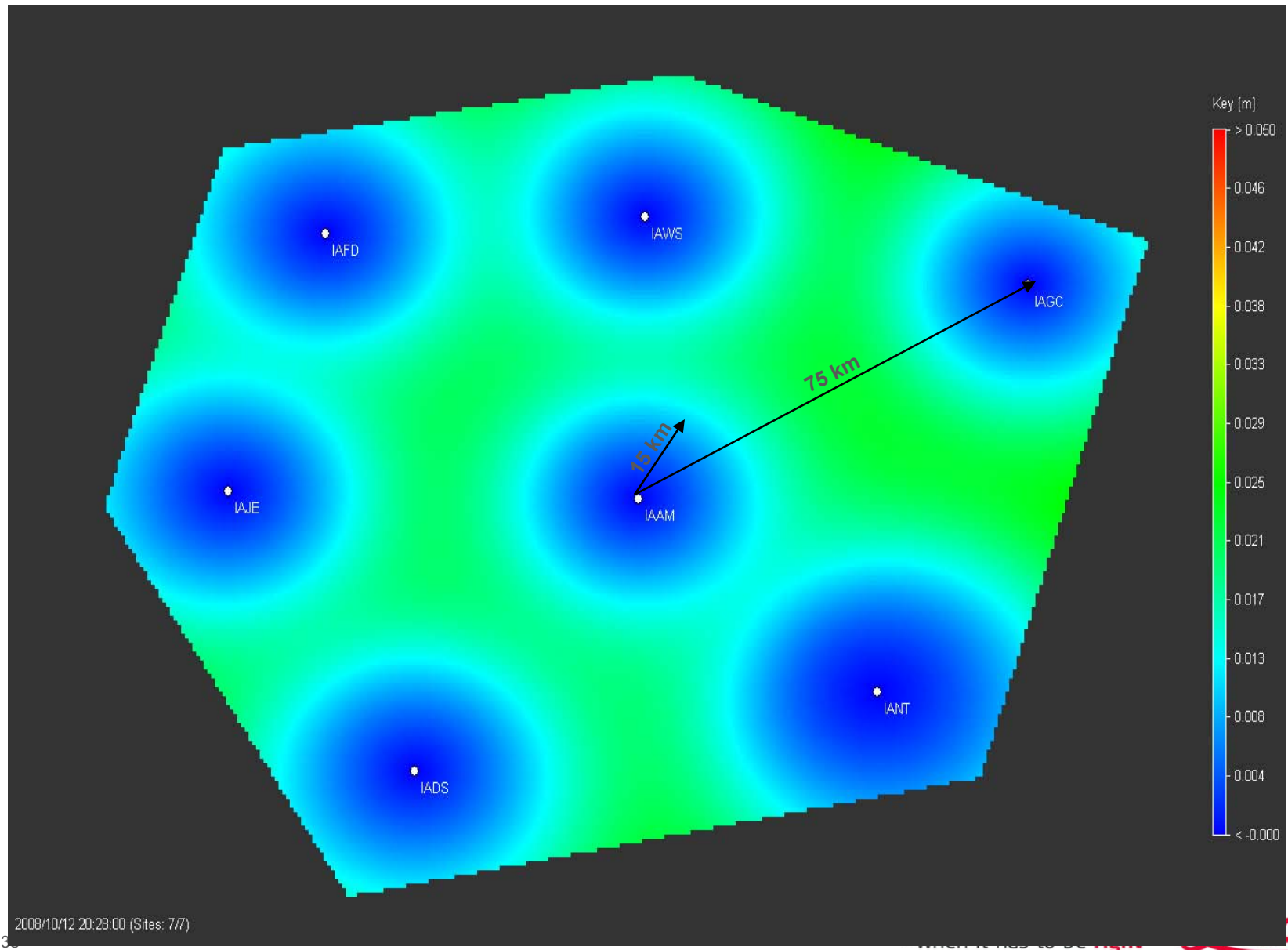


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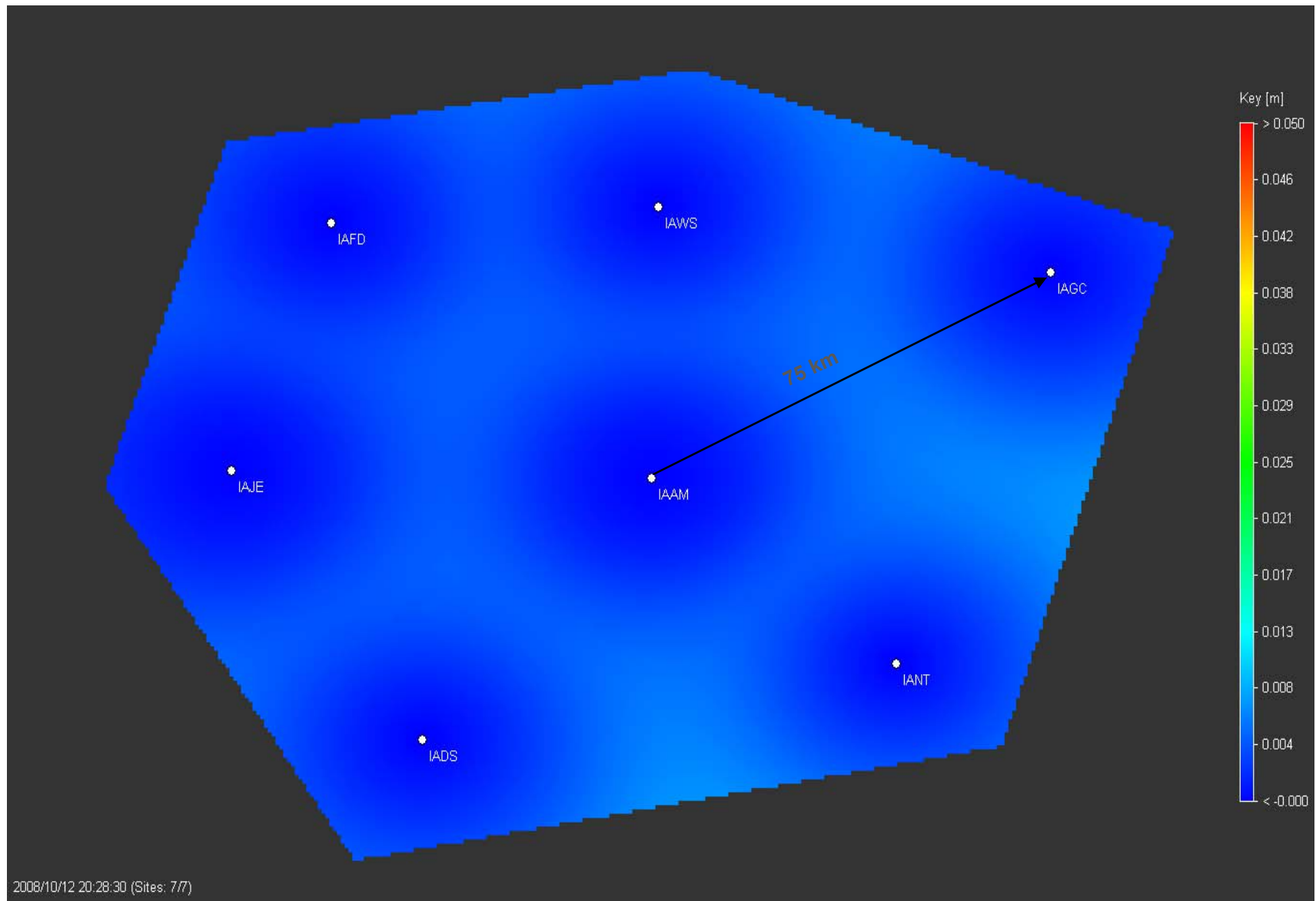
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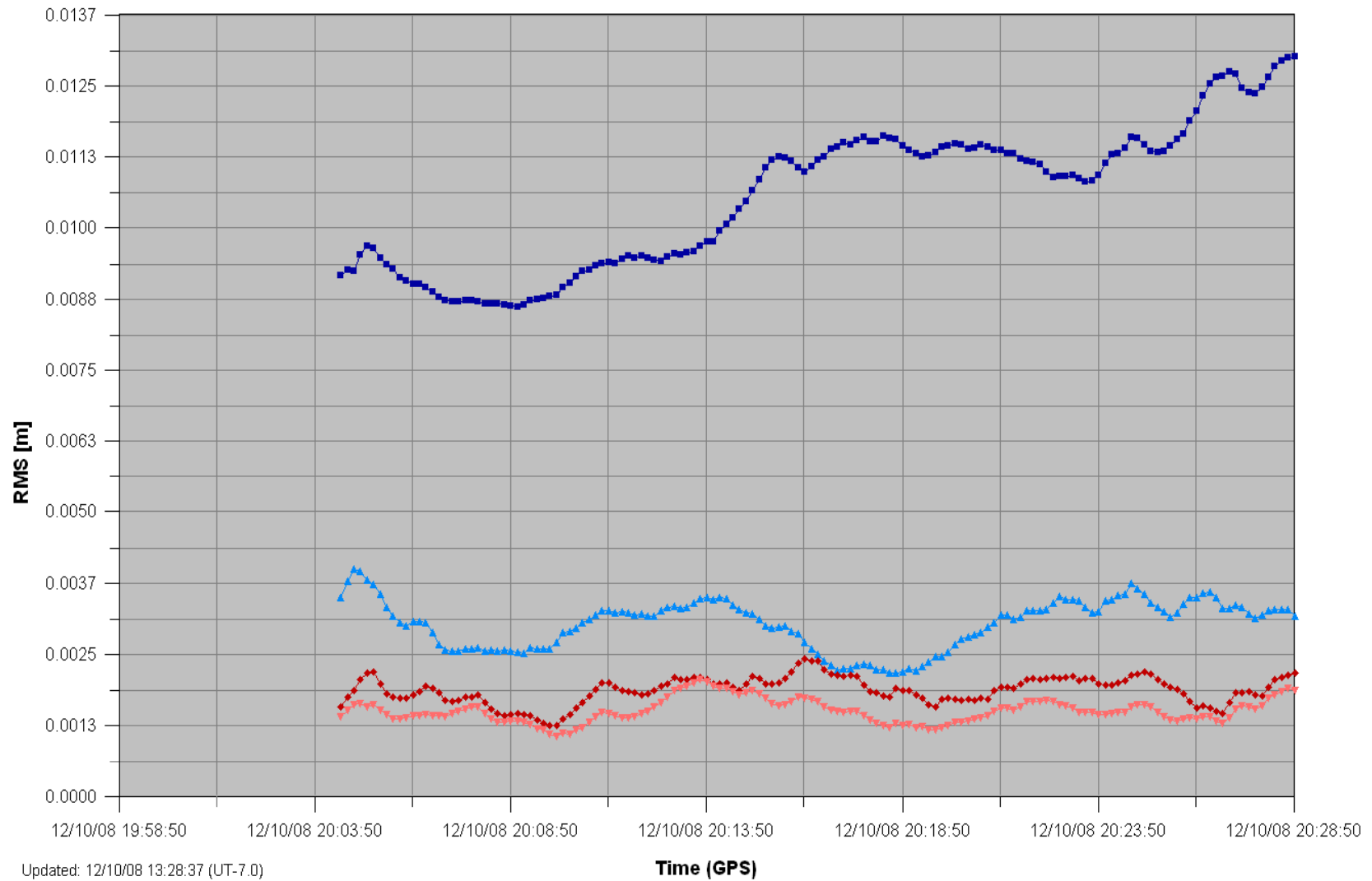
Graphical display of residual ionosphere error for single baseline RTK calculated in real time using data from Leica GNSS Spider RTK processing.



# Graphical display of residual ionosphere error across the RTK network calculated in real time using data from Leica GNSS Spider network RTK processing.



## Time series of global RMS values for residual Ionosphere and troposphere errors



■ Ionosphere (RTK)

▲ Ionosphere (NRTK)

◆ Troposphere/Geometry (RTK)

◆ Troposphere/Geometry (NRTK)

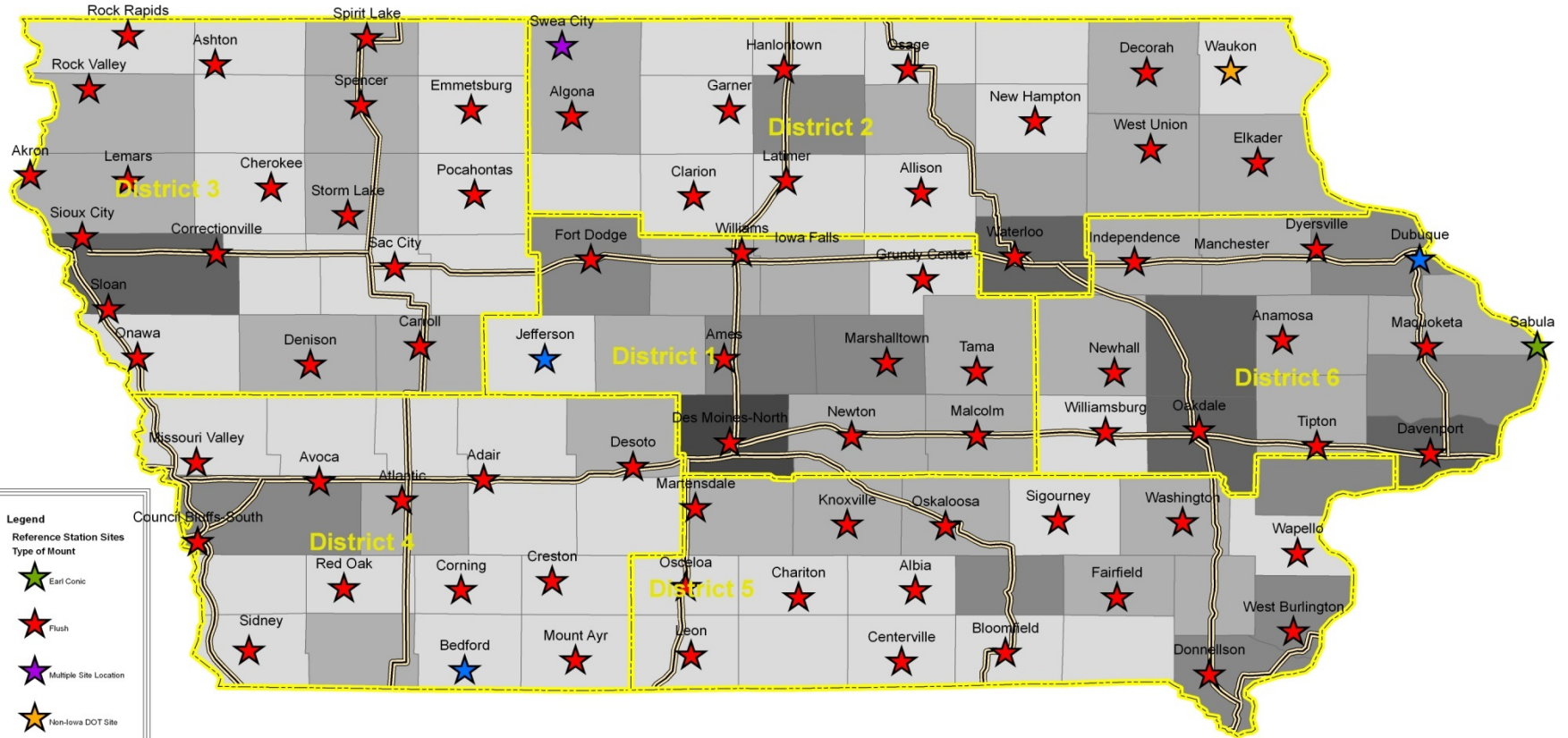




# The Iowa Real Time Network

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**Legend**

Reference Station Sites  
Type of Mount

- Earl Conic (Green star)
- Flush (Red star)
- Multiple Site Location (Purple star)
- Non-Iowa DOT Site (Yellow star)
- Off Set (Blue star)

Iowa DOT Districts (Yellow dashed line)

Interstate Hwy (Thick black line)

Iowa Counties  
HOUSEHOLDS

- 2005 - 6036 (Lightest gray)
- 6037 - 13632 (Light gray)
- 13633 - 31262 (Medium gray)
- 31263 - 65501 (Dark gray)
- 65502 - 129237 (Darkest gray)

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**Iowa Real Time Network (IaRTN)**

Welcome to the Iowa Real Time Network (IaRTN) Web site. The Iowa Department of Transportation is in the process of implementing a statewide, high-precision global positioning system (GPS) referencing network. The goal is to provide a system that will improve the efficiency and



click map to view IaRTN locations

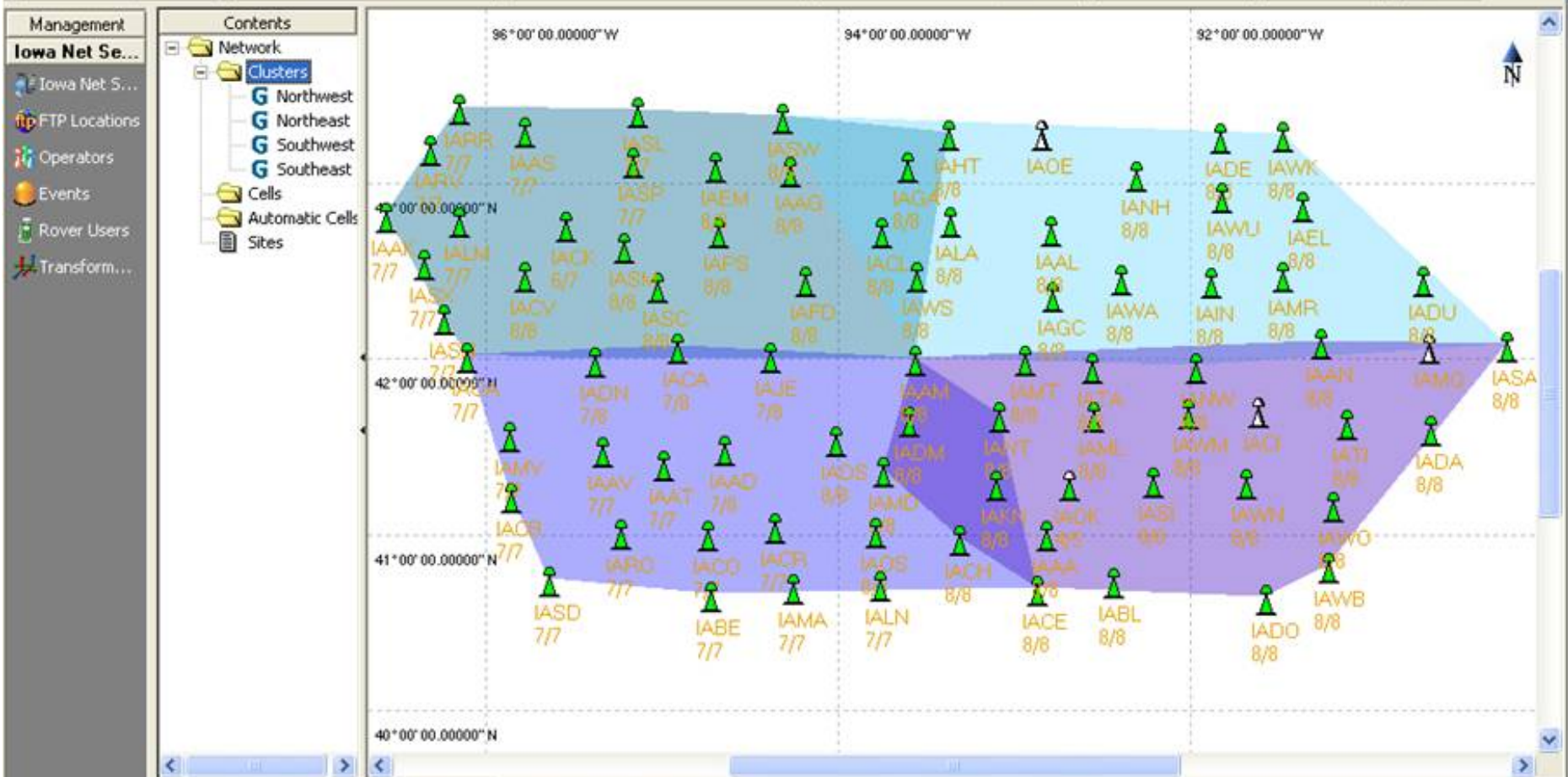
**Network Status**  
 Base stations have been installed and network adjustments completed. The IaRTN is expected to be [available to the public on Feb. 2, 2009](#).

**Training Registration**  
 The Iowa DOT will be providing free training sessions for GPS vendors/suppliers followed by training sessions for network users. [Registration](#) closes on Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2009.

**About the IaRTN**  
 The Iowa DOT plans to deploy a [statewide RTK-GPS network](#) using wide area network (WAN) communications infrastructure.

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 Iowa Department of Transportation - 800 Lincoln Way - Ames, IA 50010

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Net Config RT Products **Map View** Rover Status Sat Status

Content	Cluster	Date/Time	User	Category	Text
+	All	08.01.2009 08:20:51	Spider Server	Network Server	Site < IAWS > fixed ambiguities available.
+	All Clusters	08.01.2009 08:21:09	Spider Server	Network Server	Site < IAWS > fixed ambiguities available.
+	All Products	08.01.2009 08:24:54	Spider Server	Network Server	Site < IADM > fixed ambiguities available.
+	Query (Offline)	08.01.2009 08:24:54	Spider Server	Network Server	Site < IADM > fixed ambiguities available.

**GNSS Spider - [Iowa Net Server]**

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Site Name	Site Code	Fixed/Available	Last update	G02	G05	G10	G12	G24	G29	G30
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IAAK	IAAK	7 / 7	11:30:20							
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IAAS	IAAS	7 / 7	11:29:31							
IACA	IACA	7 / 7	11:30:29							
IACK	IACK	7 / 7	11:29:36							
IACL	IACL	7 / 7	11:30:42							
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IALM	IALM	7 / 7	11:31:15							
IAOA	IAOA	7 / 7	11:30:39							

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Net Config RT Products Map View Rover Status **Sat Status**

Content	Cluster	Date/Time	User	Category	Text
All	😊	07.01.2009 10:54:43	Spider Server	Network Server	Site < IAAM > fixed ambiguities available.
All Clusters	😊	07.01.2009 10:54:43	Spider Server	Network Server	Site < IAAN > fixed ambiguities available.
All Products	😊	07.01.2009 10:54:43	Spider Server	Network Server	Site < IAWA > fixed ambiguities available.
Query (Offline)					

For Help, press F1 Real-Time Processing started Remote User level: Administrator NUM Local time : 11:32:24

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For Help, press F1

Real-Time Processing started Remote User level: Administrator NUM Local time : 12:34:34

**Map View Details:**

Rover is receiving a network product  
RTK / PPS fix at this rover

Rover name : Steve Milligan  
Corrections started : 12:32:41  
Connection duration : 00:01:47  
Receiving product : RTCM 3.1 MAC (GPS)  
Correction from : IAOA-0306

Location :  
-483761.3982 m  
-4722062.0564 m  
4246426.0874 m

Current dist to  
Reference Station : 21.54 km



# Ames File Availability

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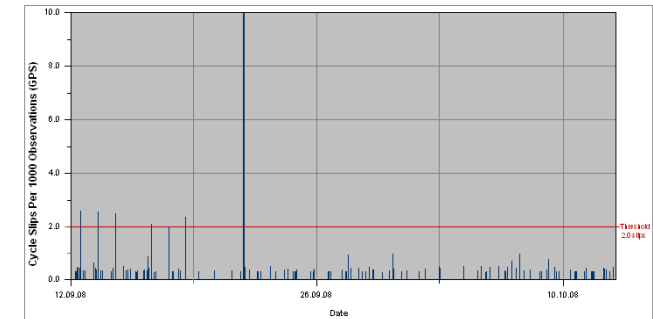
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1 Oct 2008	275	a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x
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29 Sep 2008	273	a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x
28 Sep 2008	272	a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x
27 Sep 2008	271	a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x
26 Sep 2008	270	a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x
25 Sep 2008	269	a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x
24 Sep 2008	268	a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x
23 Sep 2008	267	a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x
22 Sep 2008	266	a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x
21 Sep 2008	265	a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x
20 Sep 2008	264	a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x
19 Sep 2008	263	a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x
18 Sep 2008	262	a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x
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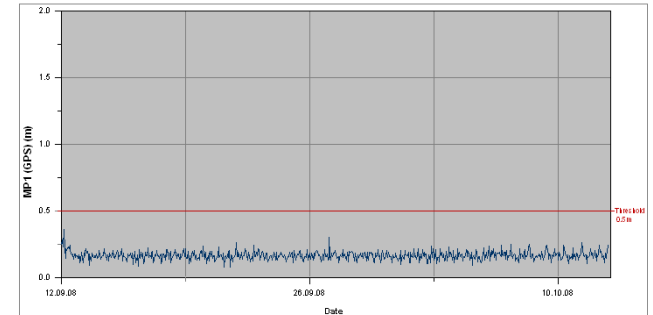
## Ames Quality Plots

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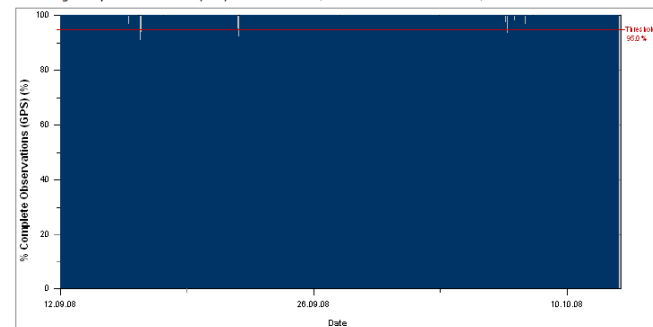
Cycle Slips Per 1000 Observations (GPS): Less than 2.0 cycle slips per 1000 observations indicates normal operation.



MP1 (GPS): RMS multipath error on L1 should be less than 0.5m



Percentage Complete Observations (GPS): More than 95% complete observations indicates normal operation.



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# Preparing to Use the RTN Network

Need a rover that at a minimum, can:

- **Connect to the internet via cell phone or cell modem**
  - Network is independent of cell service provider, select the provider with best service in the area you work in!
- **Send a NMEA message with account username and password, or has NTRIP functionality**
- **Can utilize RTCM 2.3, RTCM 3.x, CMR or CMR+ message formats**

**Strongly encourage all users to run the most recent firmware for the rover they are using.**

**For construction machine control or project areas in cell service voids solutions exist to provide on-site radio broadcast of baseline and network solutions.**

BroadbandAccess Data Plans - Verizon Wireless - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by Leica Geosystems

http://www.verizonwireless.com/b2c/store/controller?item=planFirst&action=viewPlanList&sortOption=priceSort&typeId=5&subTypeId=13&catId=40

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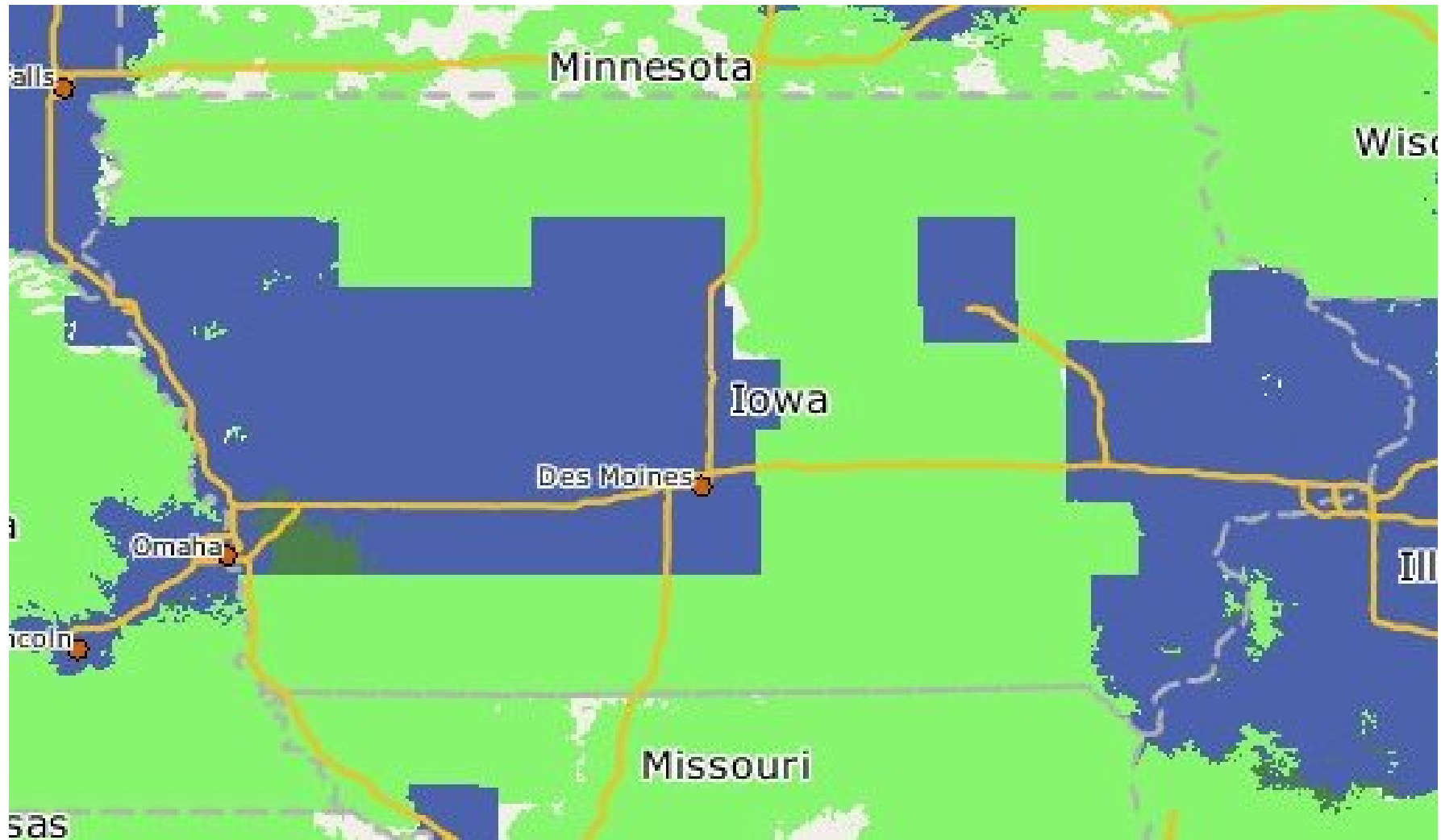
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**Calling Plan Information**

**Additional Plan Information:**  
 Required Equipment  
 BroadbandAccess-capable PC card

Internet 100%

# Verizon Coverage Map



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## DataConnect Plans

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### Data Coverage Map

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Plan Name	Monthly Cost	Included Data	Additional data	International Data	Additional Features
<b>Data Connect</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	5 GB	0.00048/KB	0.0195/KB	<a href="#">View Details</a> <a href="#">Add to Cart</a>

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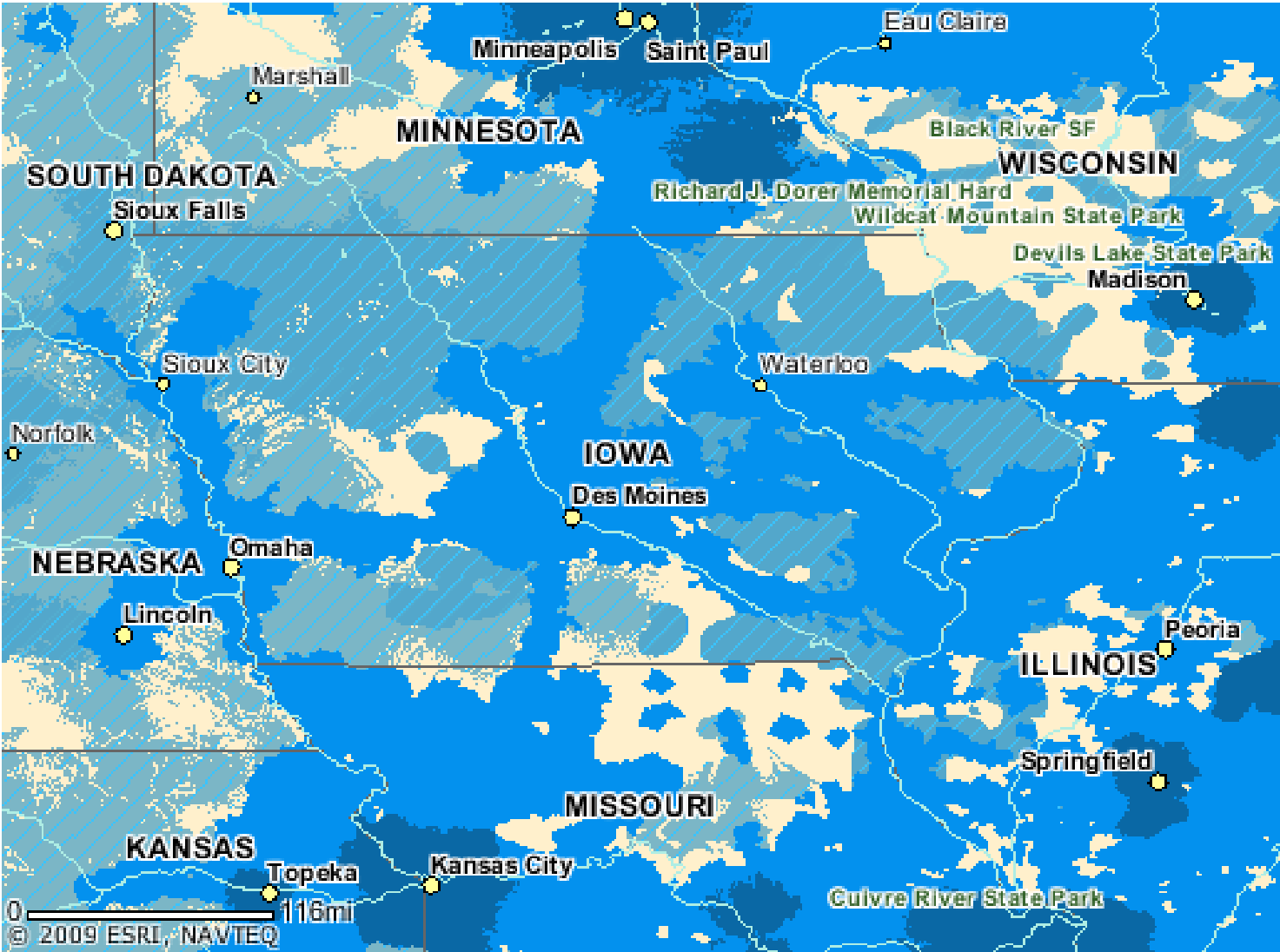
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# AT & T Coverage Map



# US Cellular Coverage Map

Data Coverage



- U.S. Cellular® network
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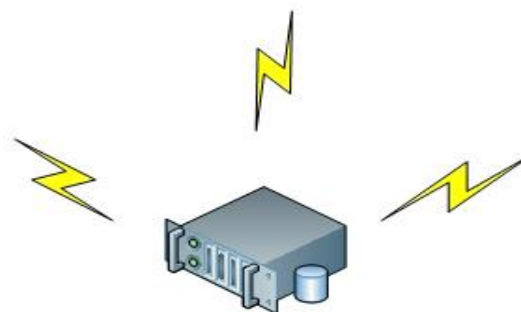
# The Iowa RTN Real Time Products Schema

IADOT Network RTK (NTRIP, Username & Password)	
Port 10000	
RTCM 3.1 MAC (GNSS)	RTCM3_MAX
RTCM 3.1 iMAX (GNSS)	RTCM3_IMAX
RTCM 3.1 Nearest (GNSS)	RTCM3_NEAR
RTCM 2.3 iMAX (GPS)	RTCM2_IMAX
RTCM 2.3 Nearest (GPS)	RTCM2_NEAR
CMR Nearest (GPS)	CMR_NEAR
CMR+ Nearest (GPS)	CMRP_NEAR

IADOT Raw LB2 Data (NTRIP, Username & Password)	
Port 9999	RAW_IAXx (Site Name)
Example:	RAW_IAAM – Raw Data Feed for Ames

IADOT Network RTK (TCP/IP, Username & Password)		
Port 11000	RTCM 3.1	iMAX (GPS)
Port 11001	RTCM 2.3	iMAX (GPS)
Port 11002	RTCM 2.3	Nearest (GPS)
Port 11003	CMR	Nearest (GPS)
Port 11004	CMR+	Nearest (GPS)

IADOT Baseline RTK (NTRIP, Username & Password)	
Port 31x00 – District number in place of “x”	
RTCM 3.1 – Single (GNSS) – RTCM3_IAXx	
Example: Port 31100 – Single Baselines for District 1	
RTCM3_IAAM – Single Baseline Correction for Ames	
Port 23x00 – District number in place of “x”	
RTCM 2.3 - Single (GPS) – RTCM2_IAXx (Site Name)	
Example: Port 23100 – Single Baseline for District 1	
RTCM2_IAAM – Single Baseline Correction for Ames	
Port 24x00 – District number in place of “x”	
CMR - Single (GPS) – CMR_IAXx (Site Name)	
Example: Port 24100 – Single Baseline for District 1	
CMR_IAAM – Single Baseline Correction for Ames	
Port 25x00 – District number in place of “x”	
CMR+ - Single (GPS) – CMRP_IAXx (Site Name)	
Example: Port 25100 – Single Baseline for District 1	
CMRP_IAAM – Single Baseline Correction for Ames	



Iowa GNSS Network Proxy Server

IP 165.206.203.10

IADOT Baseline RTK (TCP/IP, Username & Password)	
All baseline products are GPS only	
RTCM 2.3 Format:	
Port 23xyz – RTCM-ID-xyz	
Example:	
Ames – Port 23105 – District 1 Site No. 05	
CMR Format:	
Port 24xyz – CMR-ID-xyz	
Example:	
Ames – Port 24105 – District 1 Site No. 05	
CMR+ Format:	
Port 25xyz – CMR+-ID-xyz	
Example:	
Ames – Port 25105 – District 1 Site No. 05	

Maximum Estimated Number of Ports:	
NTRIP:	6 (with 407 mountpoints)
TCP/IP:	85
Total:	91 ports estimated

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## Iowa RTN: RTCM Identifiers

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<u>SITE</u>	<u>RTCM ID</u>	<u>Constellations</u>	<u>Latitude</u>	<u>Longitude</u>	<u>HT.</u>	<u>Antenna</u>	<u>Cluster</u>
IAMM	101	GPS & GLONASS	42° 00' 34.52725" N	93° 33' 35.03229" W	266.551	AX1202 GG	Northwest; Northeast; Southwest; Southeast
IADM	102	GPS & GLONASS	41° 39' 25.81755" N	93° 35' 52.63576" W	256.503	AX1202 GG	Southwest; Southeast
IAFD	103	GPS & GLONASS	42° 27' 19.57659" N	94° 11' 11.52094" W	324.382	AX1202 GG	Northwest
IAGC	104	GPS & GLONASS	42° 22' 09.41009" N	92° 46' 45.68544" W	275.305	AX1202 GG	Northeast
IAJE	105	GPS & GLONASS	42° 01' 16.06219" N	94° 22' 55.44009" W	303.933	AX1202 GG	Northwest; Southwest
IAML	106	GPS & GLONASS	41° 41' 13.66192" N	92° 33' 01.24839" W	271.266	AX1202 GG	Southeast
IAMT	107	GPS & GLONASS	42° 00' 20.82373" N	92° 55' 59.26626" W	279.595	AX1202 GG	Northeast; Southeast
IANT	108	GPS & GLONASS	41° 41' 04.15198" N	93° 04' 55.03440" W	239.667	AX1202 GG	Southwest; Southeast
IATA	109	GPS & GLONASS	41° 58' 01.64651" N	92° 33' 05.03347" W	248.387	AX1202 GG	Southeast
IAWS	110	GPS & GLONASS	42° 29' 03.00035" N	93° 32' 51.10994" W	347.985	AX1202 GG	Northwest; Northeast
IASW	201	GPS & GLONASS	43° 23' 06.97094" N	94° 18' 51.00407" W	338.467	AX1202 GG	Northwest; Northeast
IAAG	202	GPS & GLONASS	43° 04' 47.10437" N	94° 16' 01.15033" W	350.811	AX1202 GG	Northwest
IAGA	203	GPS & GLONASS	43° 06' 25.32956" N	93° 35' 59.30748" W	348.129	AX1202 GG	Northwest; Northeast
IACL	204	GPS & GLONASS	42° 43' 51.59357" N	93° 45' 04.85748" W	334.079	AX1202 GG	Northwest; Northeast
IAHT	205	GPS & GLONASS	43° 17' 02.35554" N	93° 22' 06.64421" W	345.498	AX1202 GG	Northwest; Northeast
IALA	206	GPS & GLONASS	42° 47' 55.01723" N	93° 21' 32.74025" W	359.424	AX1202 GG	Northeast
IAOE	207	GPS & GLONASS	43° 17' 04.67561" N	92° 50' 32.29195" W	332.408	AX1202 GG	Northeast
IAAL	208	GPS & GLONASS	42° 44' 49.37839" N	92° 47' 14.20479" W	292.136	AX1202 GG	Northeast
IANH	209	GPS & GLONASS	43° 03' 29.22811" N	92° 18' 16.44903" W	327.035	AX1202 GG	Northeast
IAWA	210	GPS & GLONASS	42° 28' 05.29411" N	92° 23' 27.20975" W	240.897	AX1202 GG	Northeast
IADE	211	GPS & GLONASS	43° 16' 15.80562" N	91° 49' 53.48415" W	317.54	AX1202 GG	Northeast
IAWU	212	GPS & GLONASS	42° 56' 09.67824" N	91° 48' 55.81897" W	325.848	AX1202 GG	Northeast
IAWK	213	GPS & GLONASS	43° 16' 40.00317" N	91° 28' 33.79617" W	372.451	AX1202 GG	Northeast
IAEL	214	GPS & GLONASS	42° 52' 40.45014" N	91° 21' 41.48879" W	300.032	AX1202 GG	Northeast
IARR	301	GPS & GLONASS	43° 26' 00.58453" N	96° 08' 55.47233" W	405.94	AX1202 GG	Northwest
IARV	302	GPS & GLONASS	43° 11' 51.94881" N	96° 18' 50.74836" W	360.201	AX1202 GG	Northwest
IAAK	303	GPS & GLONASS	42° 49' 21.83683" N	96° 33' 48.53255" W	330.493	AX1202 GG	Northwest
IASX	304	GPS & GLONASS	42° 33' 00.13894" N	96° 20' 54.47594" W	329.126	AX1202 GG	Northwest
IASN	305	GPS & GLONASS	42° 14' 20.40104" N	96° 13' 52.00458" W	308.258	AX1202 GG	Northwest
IAOA	306	GPS & GLONASS	42° 01' 39.25624" N	96° 06' 28.67084" W	301.587	AX1202 GG	Northwest; Southwest
IADN	307	GPS & GLONASS	41° 59' 50.56276" N	95° 22' 32.52942" W	351.18	AX1202 GG	Northwest; Southwest
IACA	308	GPS & GLONASS	42° 04' 40.00999" N	94° 54' 40.40182" W	366.026	AX1202 GG	Northwest; Southwest
IACV	309	GPS & GLONASS	42° 28' 52.77140" N	95° 46' 24.69055" W	325.533	AX1202 GG	Northwest
IASC	310	GPS & GLONASS	42° 25' 16.43287" N	95° 01' 05.44078" W	373.672	AX1202 GG	Northwest
IASM	311	GPS & GLONASS	42° 38' 53.58611" N	95° 12' 58.68816" W	418.883	AX1202 GG	Northwest
IAPS	312	GPS & GLONASS	42° 44' 16.91837" N	94° 40' 45.28575" W	353.432	AX1202 GG	Northwest
IACK	313	GPS & GLONASS	42° 46' 06.07968" N	95° 32' 31.86230" W	362.399	AX1202 GG	Northwest
IAML	314	GPS & GLONASS	42° 47' 53.00372" N	96° 08' 55.35723" W	365.925	AX1202 GG	Northwest
IASP	315	GPS & GLONASS	43° 07' 41.67618" N	95° 09' 41.82069" W	381.868	AX1202 GG	Northwest
IAEM	316	GPS & GLONASS	43° 06' 24.79741" N	94° 41' 40.34443" W	345.559	AX1202 GG	Northwest
IAAS	317	GPS & GLONASS	43° 18' 20.16910" N	95° 46' 44.57596" W	430.604	AX1202 GG	Northwest
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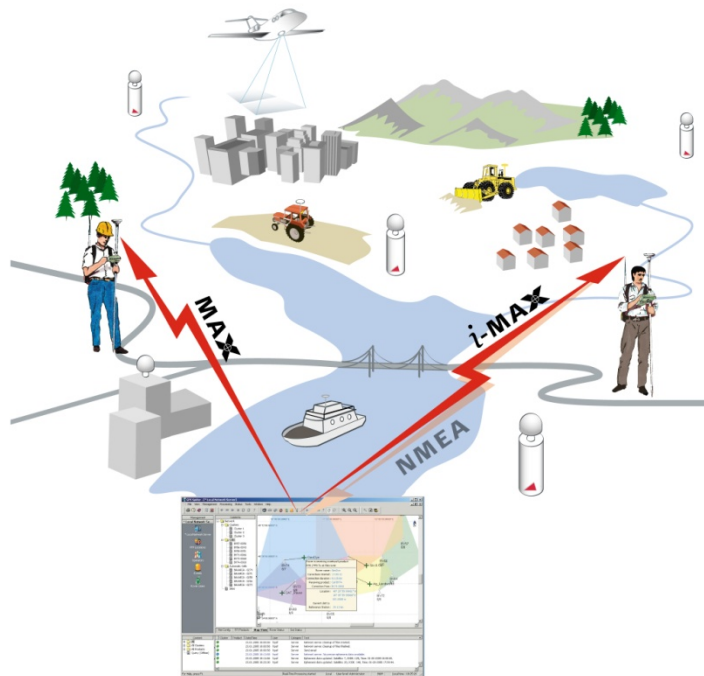


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IAMV	401	GPS & GLONASS	41° 34' 15.68376" N	95° 51' 30.05970" W	291.101	AX1202 GG	Southwest
IAAV	402	GPS & GLONASS	41° 29' 12.12442" N	95° 20' 14.52886" W	325.656	AX1202 GG	Southwest
IAAD	403	GPS & GLONASS	41° 29' 45.81183" N	94° 38' 29.38602" W	426.103	AX1202 GG	Southwest
IADS	404	GPS & GLONASS	41° 33' 06.29268" N	94° 00' 28.48163" W	247.44	AX1202 GG	Southwest
IACB	405	GPS & GLONASS	41° 13' 26.38336" N	95° 51' 11.59397" W	277.92	AX1202 GG	Southwest
I AAT	406	GPS & GLONASS	41° 24' 19.52320" N	94° 59' 16.80676" W	343.715	AX1202 GG	Southwest
IARO	407	GPS & GLONASS	41° 01' 19.74860" N	95° 14' 00.58962" W	291.661	AX1202 GG	Southwest
IACO	408	GPS & GLONASS	41° 00' 51.70529" N	94° 44' 14.35854" W	368.957	AX1202 GG	Southwest
IACR	409	GPS & GLONASS	41° 03' 11.11780" N	94° 21' 05.29491" W	366.3	AX1202 GG	Southwest
IASD	410	GPS & GLONASS	40° 44' 58.49898" N	95° 38' 10.30847" W	303.07	AX1202 GG	Southwest
IABE	411	GPS & GLONASS	40° 39' 56.13120" N	94° 43' 17.59069" W	315.699	AX1202 GG	Southwest
IAMA	412	GPS & GLONASS	40° 42' 30.43616" N	94° 15' 06.39104" W	347.841	AX1202 GG	Southwest
IAMD	501	GPS & GLONASS	41° 22' 16.79963" N	93° 44' 38.84771" W	232.961	AX1202 GG	Southwest; Southeast
IAOS	502	GPS & GLONASS	41° 01' 40.27417" N	93° 47' 08.43810" W	324.585	AX1202 GG	Southwest
IALN	503	GPS & GLONASS	40° 43' 44.48380" N	93° 45' 42.86096" W	318.566	AX1202 GG	Southwest
IACH	504	GPS & GLONASS	40° 58' 57.52634" N	93° 18' 25.39174" W	272.271	AX1202 GG	Southwest; Southeast
IAKN	505	GPS & GLONASS	41° 17' 58.28725" N	93° 06' 03.40437" W	256.368	AX1202 GG	Southwest; Southeast
IACE	506	GPS & GLONASS	40° 42' 07.27150" N	92° 52' 12.62620" W	286.795	AX1202 GG	Southwest; Southeast
IAOK	507	GPS & GLONASS	41° 17' 35.36889" N	92° 41' 04.79153" W	208.701	AX1202 GG	Southeast
IABL	508	GPS & GLONASS	40° 44' 26.73777" N	92° 25' 51.03652" W	241.003	AX1202 GG	Southeast
IASI	509	GPS & GLONASS	41° 19' 03.32257" N	92° 12' 24.14627" W	199.162	AX1202 GG	Southeast
IAWN	510	GPS & GLONASS	41° 18' 34.11968" N	91° 40' 44.74869" W	206.489	AX1202 GG	Southeast
IAWO	511	GPS & GLONASS	41° 10' 30.97232" N	91° 11' 29.06826" W	150.936	AX1202 GG	Southeast
IAWB	512	GPS & GLONASS	40° 50' 00.48614" N	91° 12' 33.79299" W	187.976	AX1202 GG	Southeast
IADO	513	GPS & GLONASS	40° 38' 48.98297" N	91° 33' 57.38978" W	188.678	AX1202 GG	Southeast
IAAA	514	GPS & GLONASS	41° 00' 49.06467" N	92° 48' 45.62838" W	268.131	AX1202 GG	Southeast
IAIN	601	GPS & GLONASS	42° 26' 39.02847" N	91° 53' 00.91974" W	272.06	AX1202 GG	Northeast
IANW	602	GPS & GLONASS	41° 57' 41.91514" N	91° 58' 07.31635" W	245.296	AX1202 GG	Northeast; Southeast
IAWM	603	GPS & GLONASS	41° 42' 09.45049" N	92° 00' 22.02592" W	244.089	AX1202 GG	Southeast
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IAAN	605	GPS & GLONASS	42° 06' 12.96702" N	91° 15' 24.18956" W	228.121	AX1202 GG	Northeast; Southeast
IATI	606	GPS & GLONASS	41° 38' 33.88902" N	91° 06' 37.55668" W	185.887	AX1202 GG	Southeast
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IAMQ	608	GPS & GLONASS	42° 04' 25.20052" N	90° 38' 42.15399" W	188.66	AX1202 GG	Northeast; Southeast
IADU	609	GPS & GLONASS	42° 27' 21.31702" N	90° 40' 25.97318" W	217	AX1202 GG	Northeast
IAMR	610	GPS & GLONASS	42° 29' 04.33678" N	91° 28' 22.77785" W	269.074	AX1202 GG	Northeast
IASA	611	GPS & GLONASS	42° 05' 00.09625" N	90° 11' 55.17784" W	160.743	AX1202 GG	Northeast; Southeast

*Thank you all very much!*



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