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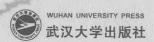
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#### Preface

In recent times increasing numbers of high-rate GNSS stations have been installed around the world and set-up to provide data in real-time. These networks provide a great opportunity to quickly capture surface displacements, which makes them important as potential constituents of earthquake/tsunami monitoring and warning systems. The appropriate GPS real-time data analysis with sufficient accuracy for this purpose is a main focus of the current GNSS research. The objective of this book is to develop high-precision GNSS algorithms for better seismological applications. The core research and the contributions of this book are summarized as following:

With the availability of real-time high-rate GNSS observations and precise satellite orbit and clock products, the interest in the real-time Precise Point Positioning (PPP) technique has greatly increased to construct displacement waveforms and to invert for source parameters of earthquakes in real time. Furthermore, PPP ambiguity resolution approaches, developed in the recent years, overcome the accuracy limitation of the standard PPP float solution and achieve comparable accuracy with relative positioning. In this book, we introduce the real-time PPP service system and the key techniques for real-time PPP ambiguity resolution. We assess the performance of the ambiguity-fixed PPP in real-time scenarios and confirm that positioning accuracy in terms of root mean square (RMS) of 1.0 cm-1.5 cm can be achieved in horizontal

components. For the 2011 Tohoku-Oki (Japan) and the 2010 El Mayor-Cucapah (Mexico) earthquakes, the displacement waveforms, estimated from ambiguity-fixed PPP and those provided by the accelerometer instrumentation are consistent in the dynamic component within few centimeters. The PPP fixed solution not only can improve the accuracy of coseismic displacements, but also provides a reliable recovery of earthquake magnitude and of the fault slip distribution in real time.

We propose an augmented point positioning method for GPS based hazard monitoring, which can achieve fast or even instantaneous precise positioning without relying on data of a specific reference station. The proposed method overcomes the limitations of the currently mostly used GPS processing approaches of relative positioning and global precise point positioning. The advantages of the proposed approach are demonstrated by using GPS data, which was recorded during the 2011 Tohoku-Oki earthquake in Japan.

We propose a new approach to quickly capture coseismic displacements with a single GNSS receiver in real-time. The new approach can overcome the convergence problem of precise point positioning (PPP), and also avoids the integration process of the variometric approach. Using the results of the 2011 Tohoku-Oki earthquake, it is demonstrated that the proposed method can provide accurate displacement waveforms and permanent coseismic offsets at an accuracy of few centimeters, and can also reliably recover the moment magnitude and fault slip distribution. We investigate three current existing single-receiver approaches for real-time GNSS seismology, comparing their observation models for equivalence and assessing the impact of main error components. We propose some refinements to the variometric approach and especially consider compensating the geometry

error component by using the accurate initial coordinates before the earthquake to eliminate the drift trend in the integrated coseismic displacements.

We propose an approach for tightly integrating GPS and strong motion data at raw observation level to increase the quality of the derived displacements. The performance of the proposed approach is demonstrated using 5 Hz high-rate GPS and 200 Hz strong motion data collected during the El Mayor-Cucapah earthquake (Mw 7.2, 4 April, 2010) in Baja California, Mexico. The new approach not only takes advantages of both GPS and strong motion sensors, but also improves the reliability of the displacement by enhancing GPS integer-cycle phase ambiguity resolution, which is very critical for deriving displacements with highest quality. We also explore the use of collocated GPS and seismic sensors for earthquake monitoring and early warning. The GPS and seismic data collected during the 2011 Tohoku-Oki (Japan) and the 2010 El Mayor-Cucapah (Mexico) earthquakes are analyzed by using a tightly-coupled integration. performance of the integrated results are validated by both time and frequency domain analysis. We detect the P-wave arrival and observe small-scale features of the movement from the integrated results and locate the epicenter. Meanwhile, permanent offsets are extracted from the integrated displacements highly accurately and used for reliable fault slip inversion and magnitude estimation.

#### List of Abbreviations

AC Analysis Center

ARP Antenna Reference Point

BDS the Chinese BeiDou Navigation Satellite System

BKG Federal Agency for Cartography and Geodesy,

Germany

C/A Coarse/Acquisition Code

CDDIS Crustal Dynamics Data Information System

CODE Centre of Orbit Determination in Europe

CORS Continuously Operating Reference Stations

DCB Differential Code Biases

DD Double Difference
DF Dual-Frequency

DFG Deutsche Forschungs Gemeinchaft (i.e. German

Research Foundation)

DOD the U.S. Department of Defense

ECMWF European Centre for Medium-Range Weather

Forecasts

ESA European Space Agency

EU European Union

EEW Earthquake Early Warning

Galileo the European Union Satellite Navigation System

GEO Satellites in Geostationary Orbit

GFZ Helmholtz-Centre Potsdam-GFZ German Research

Centre for Geosciences

GIM Global Ionospheric Map

GLONASS the Russian GLOBAL Navigation Satellite System

GLOT GLONASS Time

GMF Global Mapping Function

GNSS Global Navigation Satellite System

GPS Global Positioning System

GPST GPS Time

GSI Geospatial Information Authority

IAR Integer Ambiguity Resolution

IGR IGS Rapid Orbit

IGS International GNSS Service

IGSO Inclined Geosynchronous Orbit

IGU IGS Ultra-Rapid Orbit

IOV In-Orbit Validation

IPP Ionospheric Pierce Point

ITRF International Terrestrial Reference Frame

LC Ionosphere-Free Linear Combination

LEO Low Earth Orbit

MEO Medium Altitude Earth Orbit

MET Meteorology

MW\_WL MW Widelane Linear Combination

NASA National Aeronautics and Space Administration

NRTK Network-Based Real-Time Kinematic Positioning

OMC Observation Minus Computation

PCO Phase Centre Offsets

PCV Phase Centre Variation

PNT Positioning, Navigation and Timing

PPP Precise Point Positioning

PPP-RA Precise Point Positioning Regional Augmentation

RMS Root Mean Square

RTK Real-Time Kinematics

SAPOS	Satellite Positioning Service of the German State
	Survey
SD	Single Difference
SP3	IGS Standard Product 3
SPS	Standard Positioning Service
STD	Slant Total Delay
UD	Un-Differenced
UPD	Un-Calibrated Phase Delays
UTC	Coordinated Universal Time
WL	Widelane Combination
WGS-84	Word Geodetic System 1984
ZHD	Zenith Hydrostatic Delay
ZTD	Zenith Total Delay
ZWD	Zenith Wet Delay

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### Chapter 1 Introduction

Recent destructive earthquakes that struck Sumatra. Indonesia (Mw 9.2) in 2004, Wenchuan, China (Mw 7.9) in 2008, Maule, Chile (Mw 8.8) in 2010 and Tohoku, Japan (Mw 9.0) in 2011 have once again brought us to focus the urgent need for earthquake monitoring and early warning. Rapid source and rupture inversion for large earthquakes is critical for seismic and tsunamigenic hazard mitigation (Allen and Ziv, 2011; Ohta et al., 2012), and earthquake-induced site displacement is key information for such source and rupture inversions. For earthquake early warning (EEW) systems, the estimation of accurate coseismic displacements and waveforms is needed in real-time. Traditionally, displacements are obtained by double integration of observed accelerometer signals or single integration of velocities observed with broadband seismometers (Kanamori, 2007; Espinosa-Aranda et al., 1995; Allen and Kanamori, 2003). The broadband seismometers are likely to clip the signal in case of large earthquakes. Although strong-motion accelerometer instruments do not clip, the displacement converted from acceleration could be degraded significantly by drifts caused by tilts and the non-linear behavior of the accelerometer (Trifunac and Todorovska, 2001; Boore, 2001).

Since Remondi (1985) first demonstrated cm-level accuracy of kinematic GPS, Hirahara et al. (1994) labeled kinematic GPS as GPS seismology, which has since attracted more and more

attention and applications in seismology (see, e.g., Ge et al. 2000; Larson et al., 2003). High-rate GNSS (e.g., 1 Hz or higher frequency) measures displacements directly and can provide reliable estimates of broadband displacements, including static offsets and dynamic motions of arbitrarily large magnitude (Larson et al., 2003; Bock et al., 2004). GPS-based seismic source characterization has been demonstrated in near-and farfield with remarkable results (Nikolaidis et al., 2001; Larson et al., 2003; Bock et al., 2004; Ohta et al., 2008; Yokota et al., 2009; Avallone et al., 2011; Melgar et al., 2012; Crowell et al., 2012). GNSS-derived displacements can be used to quickly estimate earthquake magnitude, model finite fault slip, and also play an important role in earthquake/tsunami early warning (Blewitt et al., 2006; Wright et al., 2012; Hoechner et al., 2013). Consequently in the recent years, dense GPS monitoring networks have been built in seismically active regions, e.g., Japan's GEONET (the GPS Earth Observation Network System, http:// www.gsi.go.jp/) and UNAVCO's Plate Boundary Observatory (PBO, http://pbo.unavco.org/). These networks are complementary to seismic monitoring networks and contribute significantly to earthquake/tsunami early warning and hazard risk mitigation (Blewitt et al., 2006; Crowell et al., 2009).

Currently, two processing strategies are mainly used in most of the studies related to GPS seismology and tsunami warning: relative baseline/network positioning (e.g., Nikolaidis et al., 2001; Larson et al., 2003; Bock et al., 2004, Blewitt et al., 2006) and precise point positioning (PPP) (Zumberge et al., 1997). For relative kinematic positioning, at least one nearby reference station should be used for removing most of biases and recovering integer feature of ambiguity parameters by forming double-differenced ambiguities. Consequently, ambiguities can always be

fixed to integers even instantaneously for achieving high positioning accuracy of few cm (Bock et al., 2011; Ohta et al., 2012). Therefore, it is already applied in real-time displacement monitoring (e.g., Crowell et al., 2009). The technique of instantaneous positioning (Bock et al., 2000) is one typical realtime relative positioning method and is integrated into EEW system (Crowell et al., 2009) and is demonstrated by applying the result for centroid moment tensors (CMT) computation (Melgar et al., 2012), finite fault slip inversion (Crowell et al., 2012) and P-wave detection by combining collocated accelerometer data and the GPS displacements using a Kalman filter (Bock et al., 2011; Tu et al., 2014). The real-time kinematic (RTK) technique is also utilized by Ohta et al. (2012) to analyze the displacement of the 2011 Tohoku-Oki earthquake. All of the previously mentioned studies used the relative positioning technique, which is able to guarantee a high accuracy at 1 cm level. However, for the relative positioning technique, GPS data from a network is analyzed simultaneously to estimate station positions. It is complicated by the need to assign baselines, overlapping Delaunay triangles, or overlapping sub-networks. This is a significant limitation for the challenging simultaneous and precise real-time analysis of GPS data from hundreds or thousands of ground stations. Furthermore, intermittent station dropouts complicate the network-based relative positioning. Relative positioning also requires a local reference station, which might itself be displaced during a large seismic event, resulting in misleading GPS analysis results. In the case of large earthquakes, such as the Mw 9.0 Tohoku-Oki event in Japan, the reference station may also be significantly displaced, even when it is several hundred kilometers away from the event. The reference station should be sufficiently far from the focal region, but must also be