Report on PTB's TWSTFT Activities in 2005

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2005 Activities

- 1) Establishment of the link NICT-PTB
- 2) Participation in calibration exercises
 - a) USNO-PTB
 - b) 4th European calibration campaign
- 3) Modernisation of PTB's TWSTFT setup Implementation of a 3-channel SATRE modem

1) Establishment of the link NICT-PTB



Setup provided by NICT in late 2004

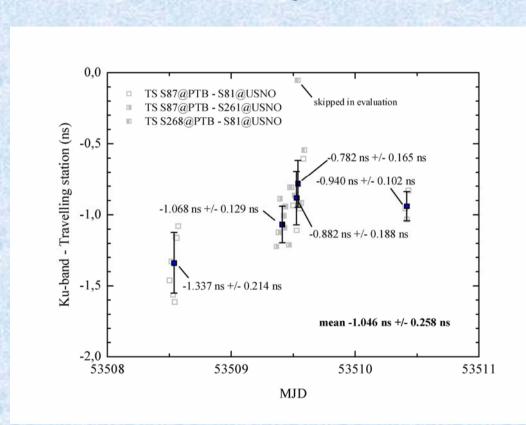
Installation of the Vertex 2.4 m antenna, outdoor and indoor hardware in 2005

Operation since 22 July 2005

2) Participation in calibration exercises

a) USNO-PTB - Results presented at FCS/PTTI 2005

Calibration - May 2005



Double differences, e.g.

Ku-band - fly-away station

resulting in:

differential correction

Ku-band 1.05 ns

X-band 1.00 ns

standard deviation

Ku-band 0.26 ns

X-band 0.37 ns

day-to-day stability

both links < 0.7 ns

2) Participation in calibration exercises

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Calibration - Uncertainty Contributions

statistics		systen	systematics	
U A,1	precalibration at USNO	<i>u</i> _{B,1}	stability of fly-away station	
	0.2 - 0.3 ns		0.5 - 0.7 ns	
<i>U</i> _{A,2}	comparison at PTB	<i>U</i> _{B,2}	TIC specifications	
	0.2 - 0.5 ns		0.5 ns	
		U B,3	other effects	
			0.2 ns	

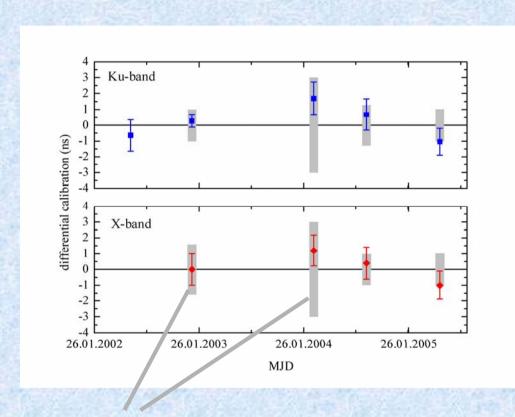
Combined Uncertainty for May 2005 Calibration

Ku-band	0.85 ns
X-band	0.89 ns

2) Participation in Calibration exercises

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Calibration - Reproducibility



Differential Correction

mean

Ku-band 0.21 ns

X-band 0.16 ns

RMS

Ku-band 1.00 ns

X-band 0.81 ns

estimated uncertainty at the day of the calibration exercise (including uncertainties due to bridging)

2) Participation in Calibration exercises

b) 4th European Calibration campaign

20 Oct @ PTB - SP- VSL - NPL - OP - IEN - 9 Nov @PTB





Results to be presented on EFTF 2006

3) Modernisation of PTB's TWSTFT setup Implementation of a 3-channel SATRE modem

Old
Single channel SATRE
only MITREX codes 0-7
external TIC

New
3-RX-channels
higher codes available
built in TIC

Operation of a multi-Rx-channel modem enables parellel sessions.

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