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Using of both fast Static and RTK Modes for GNSS Determinations to Obtain Required high Accuracy and Productivity, According to the Current Possibilities of the IT

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1. Introduction



2. Purpose of this paper





4. Used modes for GNSS determinations

Known specifics of RTK and fast static modes, which have <u>strong relation</u> with this paper:

4.1 RTK mode – advantages:

- Results (coordinates and quality criterion M3D (see chapter 6)) available immediately;
- 4.2 RTK mode disadvantages:
- Dependence from the terrain and environment conditions e.g. forests, urban areas, hills, etc.;
- Long baseline measurements are not preferable;
- Unsure/unreliable data link coverage, when specific terrain conditions exist.



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4.3 Fast static mode – advantages:

- Independence from the various environmental conditions between the stations;
- Very high overall accuracy is achieved;
- 4.4 Fast static mode main disadvantage:
- Clear horizon required for the stations.

Due to the above mentioned facts, based on chapter 3, one possible combined practical usage of RTK and fast static modes will be described and discussed next.

5. Usage of both fast static and RTK modes in the geodetic practice



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6. Used Quality Criteria

In this paper the following quality criteria were used:

a) Quality in position and height $M_{3D_{i}}$ b) Elements of the co-variance matrix for the chord: Q_{xx} Q_{yy} Q_{zz} c) Number Gdop(max);

d) Number Pdop(max).

7. Results from the performed GNSS measurements

Using the necessary IT, a number of objects from the geodetic practice were completed.

It should be noted that if applying RTK mode (*in our specific case – along with fast static mode*), the value for M3D criterion reached 9 mm.

Quality assessment from the post-processing, used *within* this technology:

7.1 Fast static mode - applied over baselines with various lengths:

Object "River". Length of the spatial chord 1100 m.

Point ID	M _{3D} [m.]	<i>M</i> _{3D} [m.] Qxx		Qzz	GDOP (max)	PDOP (max)
777	0.0004	0.00000135	0.00000108	0.00000102	1.5	1.4

Table 1

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Point ID	<i>M</i> _{3D} [m.]	Qxx	Qyy	Qzz	GDOP (max)	PDOP (max)
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100	0.0007	0.00000211	0.0000046	0.00000090	2.0	1.8
0	bject "Stake-	out activities"	Table 2 . Length of the	e spatial chord	11700 m.	
Point ID	M _{3D} [m.]	Qxx	Qyy	Qzz	GDOP (max)	PDOP (max)
	· ·					
555	0.0008	0.00000189	0.0000038	0.0000088	1.8	1.6

Object "Ostra Mogila". Length of the spatial chord 5800 m.

Table 3

7. Results from the performed GNSS measurements

Object "Surveying activities near the boundary". Length of the spatial chord 30600 m.

Point ID	M _{3D} [m.]	Qxx	Qyy	Qzz	GDOP (max)	PDOP (max)
	-					
110001	0.0010	0.00000646	0.00000319	0.00000602	1.7	1.4

Table 4

In the case – usage of *fast static mode*, the quality criterion M3D has its maximum value of 1 mm. /acc. to firmware/ Taking in mind this, also the values of the DOP factors (which have their maximum of 2 – see table 2), it could be concluded that *high quality* results were derived.

These facts show that the coordinates of the new-determined points from the objects of geodetic activities could be calculated with very high quality - using specific values of the parameters and nowadays IT possibilities.

7.2 RTK mode – "experiments":

To explore the *reliability* and *overall quality* of RTK mode with the used IT, several "experiments" were conducted.

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Quality assessment – standalone RTK mode:

Object "Priaporec-SZBani" - spatial chord, length 3300 m.

Point ID	Qxx	Qyy	Qzz	<i>M</i> _{3D} [m.]
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150100	0.00011064	0.00003138	0.00006143	0.016

Table 5

Object "Sarnevec" - spatial chord, length 3889 m.

Point ID	Qxx	Qyy	Qzz	<i>M</i> _{3D} [m.]
2222	0.00003238	0.0000169	0.00003462	0.011

Table 6

7. Results from the performed GNSS measurements

Point ID	Qxx	Qyy	Qzz	<i>M</i> _{3D} [m.]
150100	0.00006554	0.00002714	0.00004038	0.021
		Table 7		\bigwedge
C	bject "Badeste'	' - spatial chord,	length 9400 m.	\checkmark
Point ID	Qxx	Qyy	Qzz	<i>M</i> _{3D} [m.]

Object "Gradiste" - spatial chord, length 9000 m.

Table 8

0.00001554

0.0000143

0.020

0.00001945

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The quality criterion M3D for the "experiments" in RTK mode has values in the interval [11 21] mm.

According to the results, it could be concluded, that RTK mode could *also be used* for geodetic determinations of coordinates over distances of several thousand meters and to produce good quality results.

It should be noted, that application of only RTK mode in our specific case (see point 4.2) is not preferable and should be avoided.

8. Conclusions. Remarks. Outlook.

Based on the provided data, it could be summarized:

-The IT in geodesy nowadays, especially the current GNSS status provides lots of flexibilities and possibility for producing of high quality results.

-Usage of both fast static and RTK modes, along with the required IT could be applied with success in the practice when high: *accuracy and productivity* are essential for the geodetic determinations.

Outlook - the application GNSSTransformations could be updated with the ability to perform some checks, according to the specifics of the technology.

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