

UNAVCO-AFFILIATED LATIN AMERICAN GEODETIC NETWORKS: OPERATIONS, SUSTAINABILITY & SCIENCE

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UNAVCO, a non-profit university-governed consortium, facilitates geoscience research and education using geodesy.



TODAY'S TOPICS

Geodetic Capabilities

Geodesy Toolbox for Geosciences
Plate Boundary Observatory - a network of geodetic observing systems
Key observables

Modes of Deployment & Levels of Support

- UNAVCO-led community Networks
- •UNAVCO-assisted PI Networks with different levels of support
 - O&M, network monitoring, data recovery, data management & archive
- GPS Seamless Archive Centers

Science Contributions & Emerging Opportunities

- Time-variant deformation
- Sensing Earth Environment
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Point Observations:

GPS Global Positioning System - 3D daily positions with subcentimeter uncertainty in a dynamic global reference frame

RTGPS High Rate, Real Time GPS - 1 Hz or 5 Hz sample rate streaming with ~0.5 second latency, several centimeters uncertainty on epoch-by-epoch positions - local or global reference frame

GNSS Global Navigation Satellite Systems – International satellite navigation systems like GPS for positioning with global coverage (GLONASS, BEIDOU, GALILEO, IRNSS)

GPS/Meteorology - Integration of weather observations (Met Pack) with tropospheric water vapor GPS observations

Tide Gauge-GPS Colocation - Integration of water level measurements in a global reference frame

GRACE-GPS Integration - Integration of gravity observations with GPS ground control

Geodetic imaging:

InSAR Interferometric Synthetic Aperture Radar – differenced pairs of satellite radar images that map deforming zones such as faults, volcanoes, glaciers, and aquifers

LiDAR Light Detection and Ranging

TLS Terrestrial Laser Scanner – ground-based LiDAR, typically mounted on a tripod, providing very high-resolution imaging of small areas

Borehole Geophysics:

Borehole Strainmeter – measures the change in shape of a borehole at approximately 200 m depth with sensitivity at the scale of one ten-millionth of a human hair

Borehole Seismometer – measures ground deformation at very high frequencies with great sensitivity and is collocated with a borehole strainmeter in the Plate Boundary Observatory

Tiltmeter – measures the changing inclination of the Earth's surface over time, at a scale of one ten-thousandths of a degree



EARTHSCOPE PLATE BOUNDARY OBSERVATORY



Integrating geodetic observations for full spectrum deformation characterization:

- I,100+ cGPS
- •~400 RT-GPS
- collocated meteorologic observations
- Borehole systems combining:
 - 79 strain meter, seismometer \pm pore pressure @ ~250 meters depth
 - 25 tilt meter in a shallow bore for inaccessible volcano settings
- Additional campaign & long-term GPS deployments
- Geodetic Imaging GPS-InSAR
- Integration with USArray tomography

Science and impact goals:

- characterize the structure and evolution of the North American continent
- Provides civil Earth observations beyond science -
 - earthquake, volcano, hydrology & climate hazards
 - for surveying & reference frame products



KEY OBSERVABLES

Ground deformation:

- 3D point motion 5 Hz to daily, weekly positions, with sensitivities from mm to cm
- Borehole strain with nm sensitivity
- Seasonal and other periodic variations
- Episodic or protracted deformation events
- Velocity field

Environmental factors:

- Meteorological observations at the ground surface
- Soil moisture
- Vegetation index
- Water level, snow depth, and other changing reflective surfaces
- Precipitable water vapor in the troposphere
- Volcanic ash plumes
- Excitement of the ionosphere by solar storms, earthquakes, and tsunamis



TLALCOCNET & COCONET



SEA LEVEL STATION LOCATIONS

SEA LEVEL STATION PUMO2 INSTALLATION

Seafloor Geodetic Approaches to Subduction Thrust Earthquakes

Fujimoto 2013

•S-cable deployment

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Levels of Support for Community Networks

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• High – UNAVCO Facility provides centralized O&M support that may include retrieving the data, monitoring station data flow, and proactively responding to problems with data flow or station hardware. Problems are fixed remotely working with collaborators if necessary. If maintenance trips or materials are required for O&M, these are funded by the Pl's project.

• Medium – Pls or collaborators download the data from the stations, monitor station data flow, and handle most problems themselves. UNAVCO provides engineering and medium-level technical support on a request basis. Any UNAVCO Engineering maintenance trips and materials required for O&M are covered by the Pl's project.

• Low – UNAVCO provides only archiving support and a low-level of technical support. UNAVCO does not monitor or download data from the stations.

Maule, Chile Mw = 8.8 February 27, 2010 NSF-RAPID UNAVCO GPS Field Deployments

Large-scale multi-national, multi-institutional collaboration to install 25 temporary GPS stations in 4 weeks following the earthquake

 UNAVCO equipment utilized
 Involving 10 Government and academic institutions from the

USA, Chile, and Argentina.

- Instituto Geográphico Militar (Chile)
 Universidad de Concepción (Chile)
 Universidad de Chile
 Instituto Geográphico Nacional (Arg.)
 Universidad Nacional de Cuyo (Arg.)
 Universidad Nacional de Cuyo (Arg.)
 UNAVCO (USA)
 Ohio State University (USA)
 University of Hawaii (USA)
 University of Memphis (USA)
 Caltech (USA)

In 2011 the stations were made permanent under NSF I&F funding

Coordinated Observations - Maule

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EAR- RAPID - GPS Observations in Chile of Co-seismic and Post-seismic Deformation Associated with the 27 Feb, 2010 Mw 8.8 Maule, Chile Earthquake

EAR-- RAPID: GPS Observations in Argentina of Co-seismic and Post-seismic Deformation Associated with the 27 Feb, 2010 Mw 8.8 Maule, Chile Earthquake

EAR-- RAPID - Data Communications Support for GPS Observations of Crustal Deformation Associated with the 2010 Chile Earthquake

EAR-- Continental Dynamics: Collaborative Research: Great Earthquakes, Megathrust Phenomenology and Continental Dynamics in the Southern Andes

For the upgrade of 25 cGPS stations in Chile and Argentina, including purchase of new GNSS receivers and antennas, and associated field costs.

Organizations and institutions involved: UNAVCO, University of Hawaii, The Ohio State University, University of Memphis, California Institute of Technology, Universidad de Chile, Santiago, Universidad de Concepción, Insitituto Geográphico Militar de Chile, Instituto Geográphico Nacional de Argentina, Universidad Nacional de Cuyo Argentina.

Number of people involved: > 100

See Smalley Poster

Maule earthquake co-seismic & post-seismic deformation

Lin, Sladen,² Ortega-Culaciati, Simons, Avouac, Fielding, Brooks, Bevis, Genrich, Rietbrock, Vigny, Smalley, & Socquet, 2013

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INFLUENCE OF TOPOGRAPHY AND THERMAL CIRCULATIONS ON MOISTURE IN THE ATMOSPHERE

- educational research for 14 students from University of Puerto Rico and Purdue University
- circulation and moisture from GPS and meteorological observations
- common onshore westerly flow of 4 m/sec thermally driven sea breeze with twin gyres that form a wake
- diurnal cycling of precipitable water (PW)
- widespread uplift reflects water loss
- WRF model overestimates PW in the west evapotranspiration as a mechanism?
- convective instability leads to local rainfall

GPS DETECTION OF ASH PLUMES AND VERTICAL DEFORMATION DURING THE JULY 2003 DOME COLLAPSE: SOUFRIÈRE HILLS VOLCANO, MONTSERRAT

Medina, Mattioli, Braun, 2013

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Nicoya earthquake rupture anticipated by geodetic measurement of the locked plate interface

Protti, González, Newman, Dixon, Schwartz, Marshall, Feng, Walter, Malservisi & Owen 2012

• 1853, 1900, 1950 & 2012

- Mw 7.6 Nicoya ruptured locked portion
- Previously locked region offshore
- pairing of locking extent & subsequent co-seismic rupture by near-field geodesy contrains future earthquake potential
- it is exceedingly useful to have a subaerial forearc!

Earthquake and tsunami forecasts: Relation of slow slip events to subsequent earthquake rupture

Dixon, Jiang, Malservisi, McCaffrey, Voss, Protti & Gonzalez 2014

- Rich history of preceding SSEs release significant inter seismic strain
- Constrain a map of slip deficit that controlled the seismic rupture

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SEASONAL WATER STORAGE

- •GRACE and GPS constrain seasonally Solid Earth motion
- •Towards the Amazon in the spring

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Fu,

2013

•Towards SE Asia during summer monsoons

GPS Vertical responds to surface water load

California drought of 2014

Optical & radar techniques (Aster & SRTM) to constrain ice height change - Southern Patagonian Ice Field

Substantially higher than late 20th Century rates, but in good agreement with GRACE

Bevis, Wahr, Khan, Madsen, Brown, Willis, Kendrick, Knudsen, Box, van Dam, J. Caccamise II, Johns, Nylen, Abbott, White, Miner, Forsberg, Zhou, Wang, Wilson, Bromwich, & Francis, 2012

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GREENLAND UPLIFT RECORDS ICE MASS CHANGE

2010 vertical uplift anomaly

annual vertical velocity

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GNET Installation Dates

200720082009

Pre-2007

 \triangle IGS

▲ Other

10 mm

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TOHOKU RECONSTRUCTION — HAMPERED BY THE LOSS OF THE REFERENCE FRAME

Co-seismic offsets up to 5.3 m horizontal, 1.2 m vertical March 11, 2011

- Loss of the reference frame; GPS location services discontinued - announced March 14, 2011
- Recovery of reference frame relies on International GNSS Service (with UNAVCO support)
- Corrected reference frame established May 31, 2011

Hiyama, Yamagiwa, Kawahara, Iwata, Fukuzaki, Shouji, Sato, Yutsudo, Sasaki, Shigematsu, Yamao, Inukai, Ohtaki, Kokado, Kurihara, Kimura, Tsutumi, Yahagi, Furuya, Kageyama, Kawamto, Yamaguchi, Tsuji, and Matsumura, 2012

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