

Guidelines: OS-NMA implementation in smartphones

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Security

- GNSS signals are weak ($10E-16$ or -160dBW) → Can easily be overwhelmed by terrestrial signals
- Signal designs are open and unencrypted → Anyone can generate signals that are perceived as valid
- Many motivations to interfere with GNSS → Privacy, economic, criminal, military...

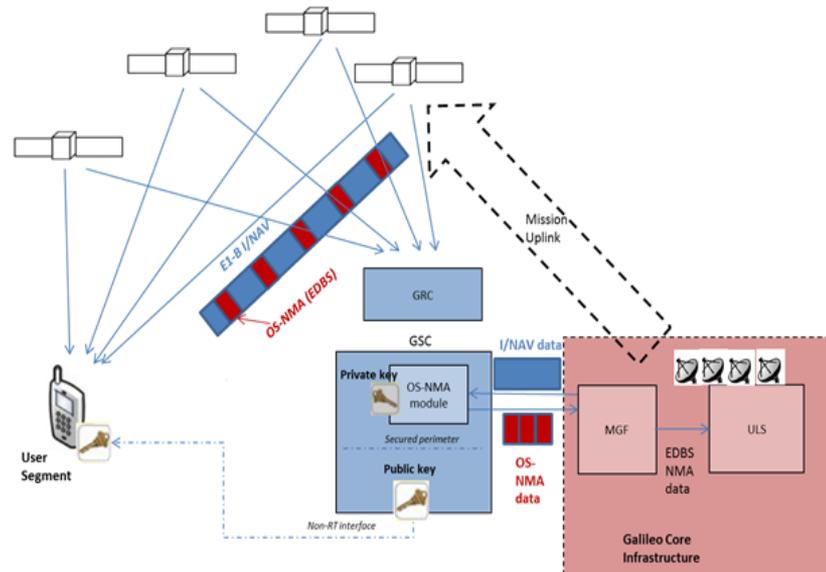
Threats

- Jamming: signal interference, not significant correlation with GNSS signals
- **Spoofing**: GNSS-like signals that may be tracked instead (or along) the intended signals
 - Simulators: Replicate satellite signals without (necessarily) live input
 - Repeaters (meaconing): rebroadcast of live signals with common delay across PRNs
 - Re-radiators: rebroadcast of live signals with different delays



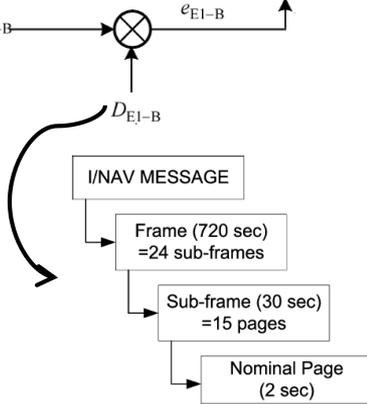
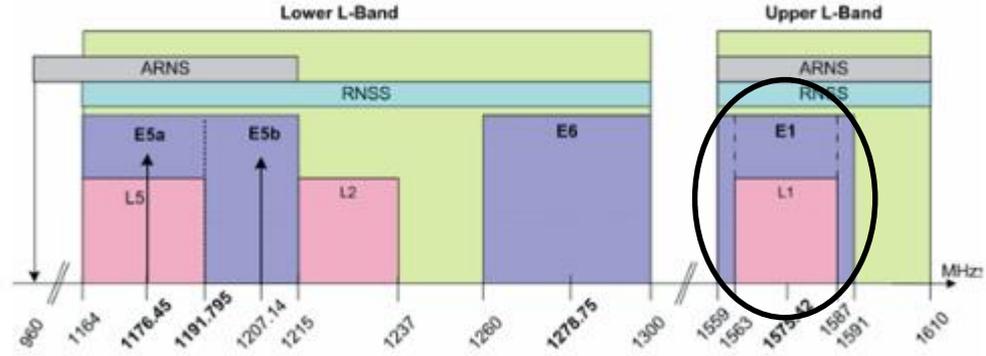
OS-NMA (Navigation Message Authentication)

- The goal is to determine if the message has been generated by Galileo System.
- Galileo System generates the OS-NMA bits. They are included in the I/NAV message broadcasted in E1 Band.
- OS-NMA is Based on TESLA
(Time Efficient Stream Loss-tolerant Authentication)



**Galileo is the only
GNSS implementing
NMA in OS signals**

- It is transmitted in the E1 Band
- It is part of the Galileo Open Service
- Two components are transmitted in E1
 - ~~E1C → Pilot Component~~
 - E1B → Data Component I/NAV Message OS-NMA



E1-B								Total (bits)	
Even/odd=1	Page Type	Data j (2/2)	Reserved 1	SAR	Spare	CRC _j	Reserved 2	Tail	
1	1	16	40	22	2	24	8	6	120
Even/odd=0	Page Type	Data k (1/2)					Reserved 2	Tail	Total (bits)
1	1	112					8	6	120

Android provides the raw bits of each GNSS system

Android provides the 228 bits of I/NAV messages (excluding the tail bits)

Only the E1 I/NAV pages contains the OS-NMA 40 bits (Reserved 1)

The method *getData* from the class *GNSSNavigationMessage* provides the Galileo bits

Android GnsNavigationMessage

Added in API level 24

`getData`

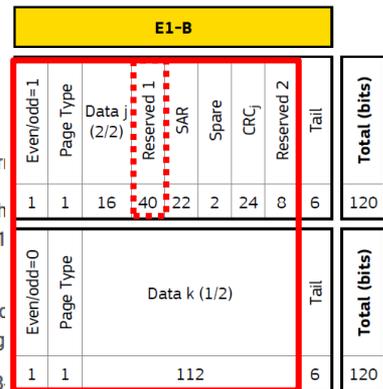
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public byte[] getData ()
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Gets the data of the reported GPS message.

The bytes (or words) specified using big endian for

- For GPS L1 C/A, Beidou D1 & Beidou D2, each into the last 30 bits in a 4-byte word (skip B31 period of 6, 6, and 0.6 seconds, respectively).
- For Glonass L1 C/A, each string contains 85 c bytes, with MSB first (skip B86-B88), covering
- For Galileo F/NAV, each word consists of 238 bytes, with MSB first (skip B239, B240), covering a time period of 10 seconds.

- For Galileo I/NAV, each page contains 2 page parts, even and odd, with a total of $2 \times 114 = 228$ bits, (sync & tail excluded) that should be fit into 29 bytes, with MSB first (skip B229-B232).



Reserved 1 (30 bits) should be fit into 4 bytes, covering a time period of 10 seconds. Reserved 2 should be fit into 11 bytes, covering a time period of 10 seconds. Tail should be fit into 30-32 bytes, covering a time period of 10 seconds.



<https://developer.android.com/reference/android/location/GnsNavigationMessage>



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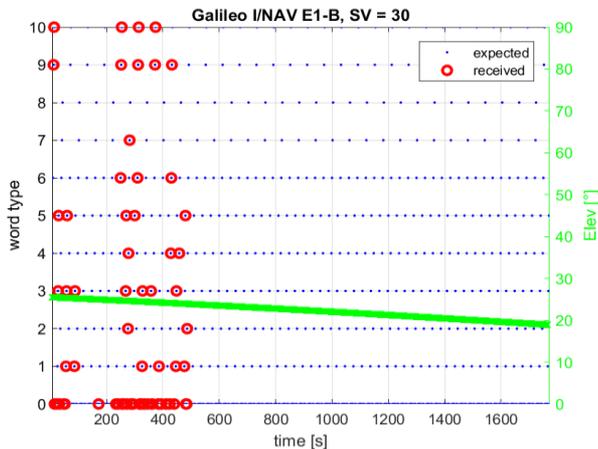
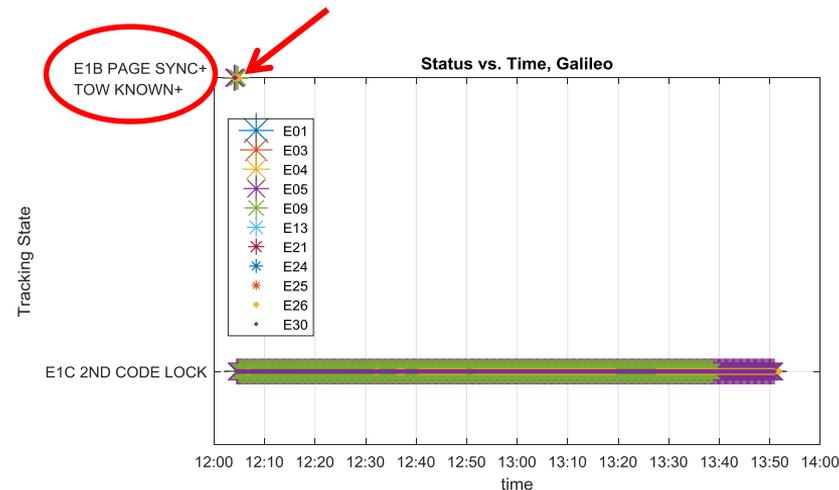
- Currently smartphones based on QUALCOMM GNSS chipsets do not provide navigation messages (nor carrier phase measurements)
- They Cannot be used for OS-NMA

BROADCOM

- Smartphones based on Broadcom GNSS chipsets provide navigation messages and carrier phase measurements
- However there are some limitations
 - Tracking of E1C (pilot component)
 - Duty cycle
- These limitations can be sorted out or mitigated in a certain extent

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- The GNSS chipset only tracks the Galileo Data Component (E1B – OS-NMA) at the beginning of the location request.
- When the navigation data is obtained the tracking moves to the Pilot (2nd Code Lock) → **No Nav Pages**



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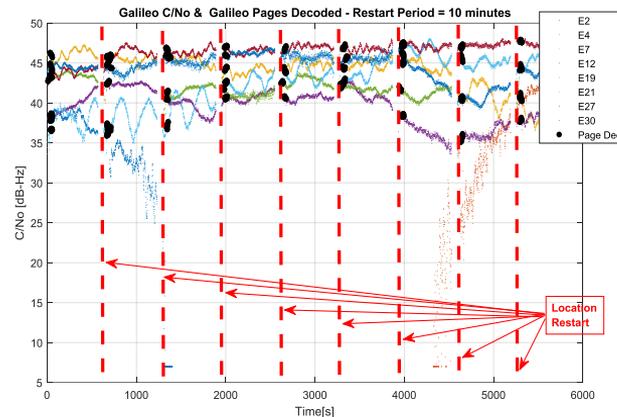
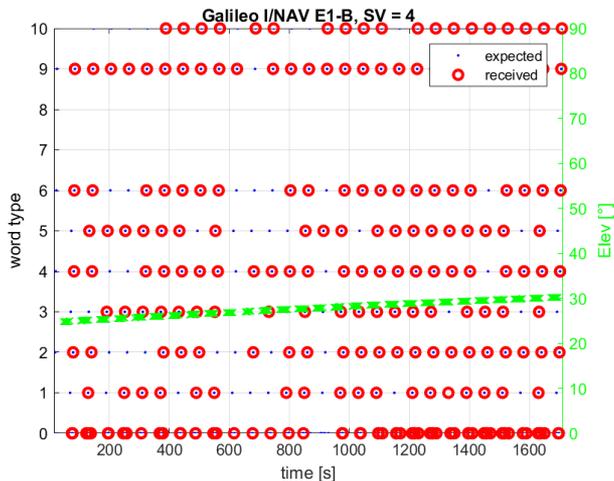
- Sat 30 → The GNSS chipset is able to decode all the word types: Ephemerids & clocks, timing and almanac
- The occurrence is really low

Smartphones:
(Samsung S8, Huawei P10, etc)

Pilot Tracking: Increasing the Number of Pages

The following steps are conducted:

- The Android Location is requested continuously
- After some seconds the Location is Stopped
- There is no request of location during few seconds
- The assisted data is cleared and the Location request starts again



- Several rest and location request times have been tested in order to assess the best performance, i.e. the bigger number of Galileo Decoded Navigation Pages:
 - 30 seconds requesting Location
 - 20 seconds resting
- The occurrence of Decoded Galileo Pages has increased considerably compared to the continuous tracking

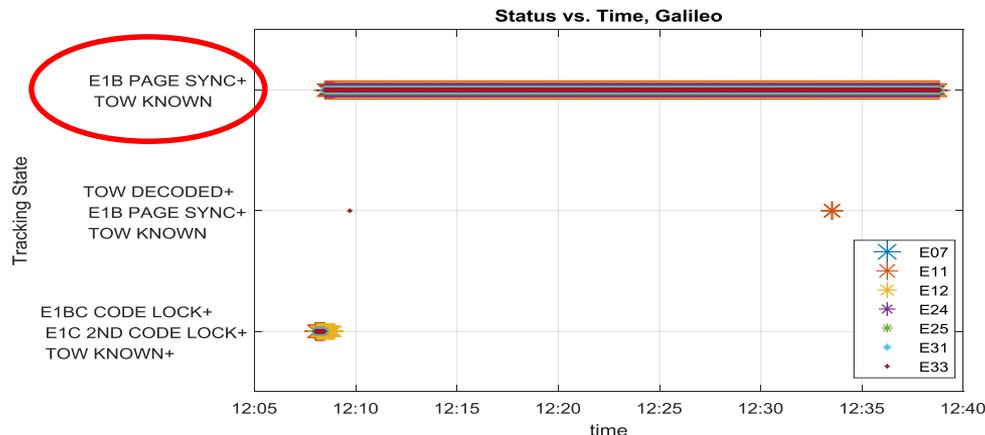
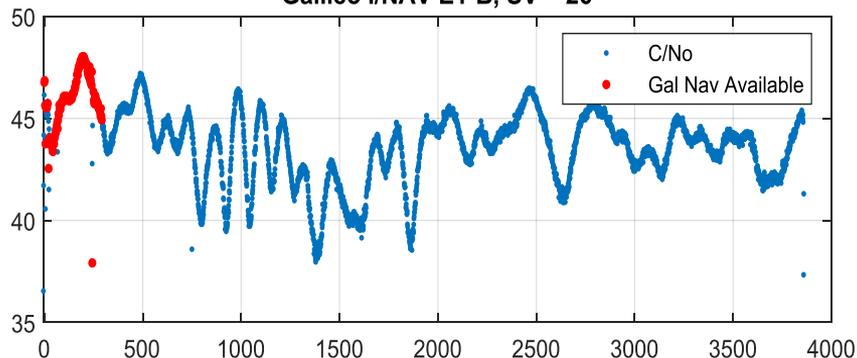
Data Tracking

- Few smartphones based on Broadcom track the Galileo Data Component (E1B – OS-NMA) continuously

Smartphones: Samsung S10/S10+



Galileo I/NAV E1-B, SV = 26



Data Tracking: Duty Cycle

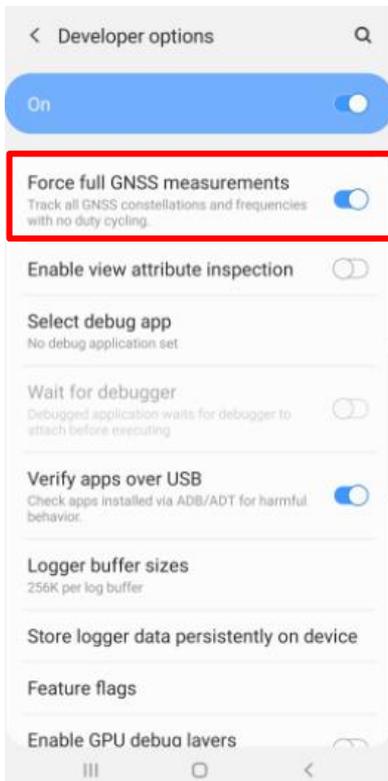
- The tracking is based on the **Galileo Data Component** during all the measurements
- Galileo Navigation Pages are decoded during 300 seconds (5 minutes) → High occurrence
- However, after 300 seconds no more Galileo Navigation Pages are decoded
- The GNSS Chipset is affected by the **Duty Cycle** → **after 5 minutes**



Data Tracking: Duty Cycle Disabled

- Android 9 offers the option to disable the Duty Cycle
- Enable Developer Options and activate:

Force full GNSS measurements



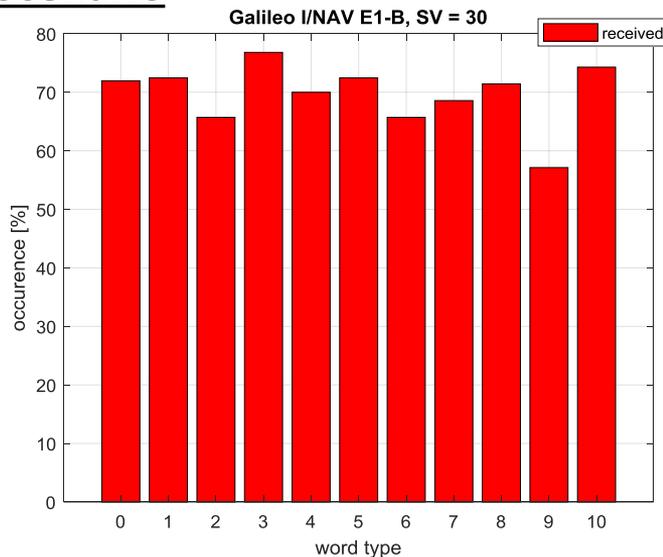
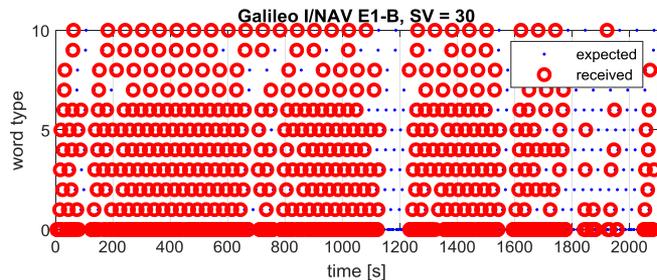
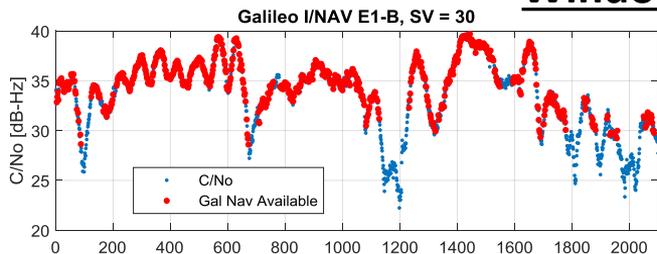
Data Tracking: Duty Cycle Disabled - Bug

- However, even when the Duty Cycle is disabled, the smartphone is not able to provide Galileo Pages after 5 minutes
- The smartphone goes in to Duty Cycle
- **This bug will be fixed in coming firmware updates**

Data Tracking: Specific Firmware Version

- GSA has a Samsung S10+ unit with a specific Firmware version that solves the Duty Cycle bug
- **Navigation Pages are decoded during all the pass (2100 seconds)**
- Almost 75% of the pages are properly decoded

Windowsill Scenario





	Suitable for OS-NMA?	
	Pilot Tracking*	Data Tracking**
Broadcom	NO	YES
QUALCOMM	No Navigation messages are currently provided	

* It provides a more robust tracking. Request of Location must be restarted after some minutes to increase the number of pages

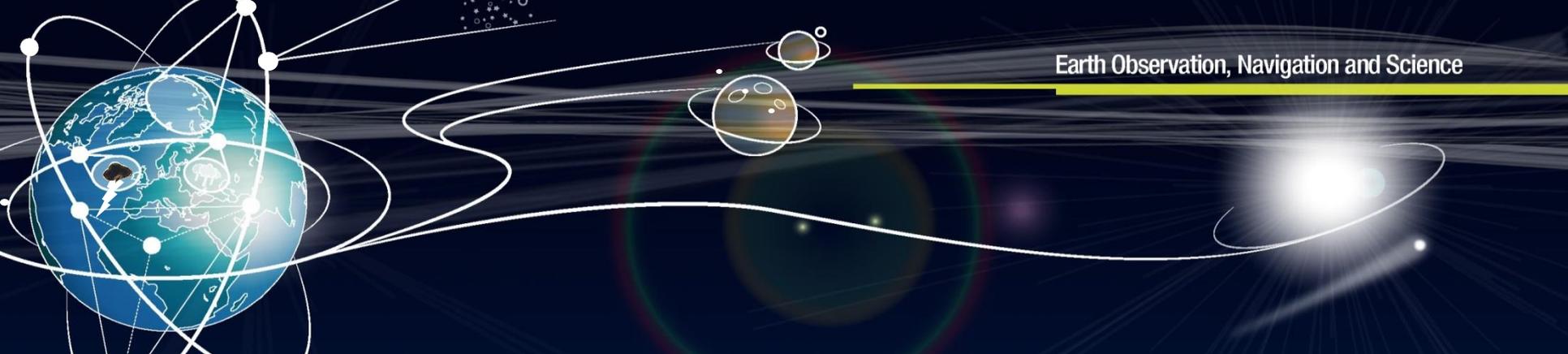
** Currently only Samsung S10/S10+ are based on Data tracking. Duty cycle must be disabled (a bug does not allow it yet).

GSA has specific units to support developers until bug is fixed.



- Android brings the capability to make available the Galileo Navigation Pages to the final users
- Currently only smartphones based on Broadcom chipsets provide Galileo Navigation Pages
- **Almost all Broadcom chipsets privilege Galileo Pilot tracking over Data tracking** (more robust)
A reset location process has been shown in order to increase the number of decoded pages
- Few Broadcom chipsets allow for continuous data decoding: **Samsung S10/S10+**
Possibility to disable the Duty Cycle is existing, but not working properly yet
A further firmware version is expected to come soon
- **GSA makes a working unit available for developers to test their new NMA based solutions!!**

Now is your time to Develop!!!



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