



GLONASS space service volume

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Definitions	Notes	
Lower Space Service Volume (also	Four GLONASS signals available simultaneously a majority	
known as 'MEO altitudes'): 3000 to	of the time but GLONASS signals over the limb of the Earth	
8000 km altitude	become increasingly important. One-meter orbit accuracies	
	are feasible (post processed).	
Upper Space Service Volume (GEO	Nearly all GLONASS signals received over the limb of the	
and HEO with the exception of the	Earth. Accuracies ranging from 20 to 200 meters are feasible	
perigee area): 8000 to 36000 km	(post-processed) depending on receiver sensitivity and local	
altitude	oscillator stability.	

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POCKOCMOC Parameters	Value	
User range error	1.4 meters	
Minimum Received Civilian Signal Power (GEO)	With account of the GLONASS satellite's transmitter antenna gain pattern	Reference Off-Boresite Angle
L1 ^{1,2}	-180 ÷ -185 dBW	14 - 20 deg
L2	-177 ÷ -184.4 dBW	14 – 28 deg
L3	-176 ÷ -184 dBW	14 – 28 deg
Signal availability ³	and the second second	
MEO at 8000 km	At least 1 signal	4 or more signals
L1	81%	64%
L2, L3	100%	66%
Upper Space Service Volume (HEO/ GEO)	At least 1 signal	4 or more signals
L1	70%	2.7%
L2, L3	100%	29%

Note 1 – FDMA signals in L1 and L2 bands and CDMA signals in L3

Note 2 – L1, L2 signals are transmitted by GLONASS-M and GLONASS-K satellites. At present, the L3 signal is transmitted by the GLONASS-K

satellite and by the GLONASS-M No. 55 satellite (flight tests). Furthermore, the final 6 GLONASS-M satellites will also transmit L3 signal.

Note 3 – Assumes that the high-orbit SV has at least one GLONASS satellite in line-of-sight.





- The radionavigation equipment has been used successfully on board of several geostationary spacecraft since 2008
- The possibility of reception and measurement of GLONASS/GPS signals as well as the possibility of positioning in GEO is confirmed
- Orbit accuracies ranging from 20 to 200 m are feasible (a posteriori data)
- The possibility of keeping of a geostationary spacecraft in an orbital slot with a required accuracy (±0,05°) is realized without ground control segment
- The Elektro-L meteorological satellite which will be launched in 2015 is equipped with radionavigation equipment



Possible GNSS development to improve the high orbit spacecraft navigation



 Supplementary antenna installation to transmit navigational signals in the opposite direction

Navigational signal coincides with one of the signals transmitted towards the Earth;

The HEO and GEO spacecraft navigation accuracy can be increased up to 30 m if a navigational signal in the opposite direction is transmitted

 A stable navigation on the line Earth-Moon with accuracies ranging from 250 to 2500 m will become possible with a navigational signal in the opposite direction

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