

GRACE - APPLICATIONS SHOWCASE 2009

GNSS Derived Timing Solutions & GNSS Enabled Time and Time Error Monitoring

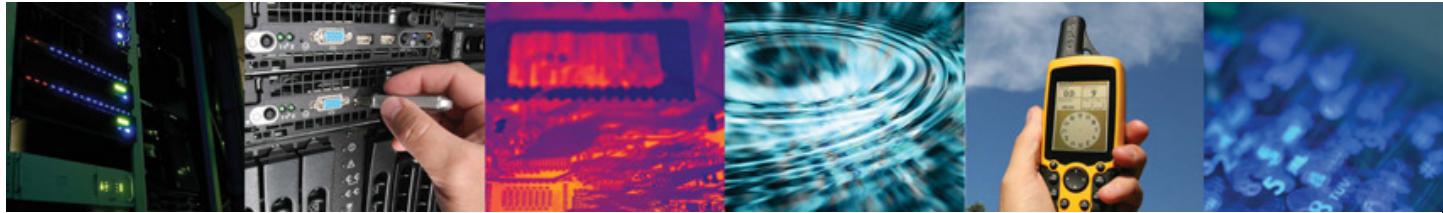
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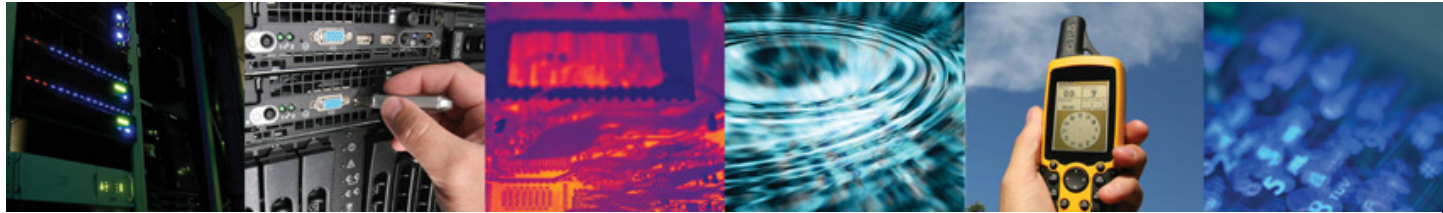
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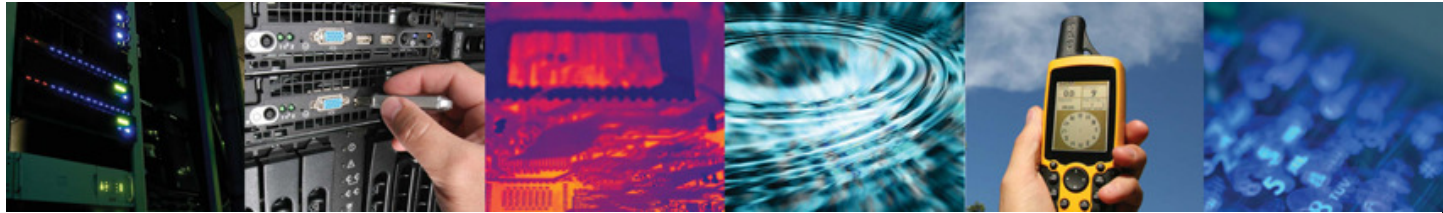
- Short Introduction to Chronos
- GNSS Timing Solutions for High Speed Networks
- GNSS Enabled Time Error Monitoring
- Demonstration
- GAARDIAN



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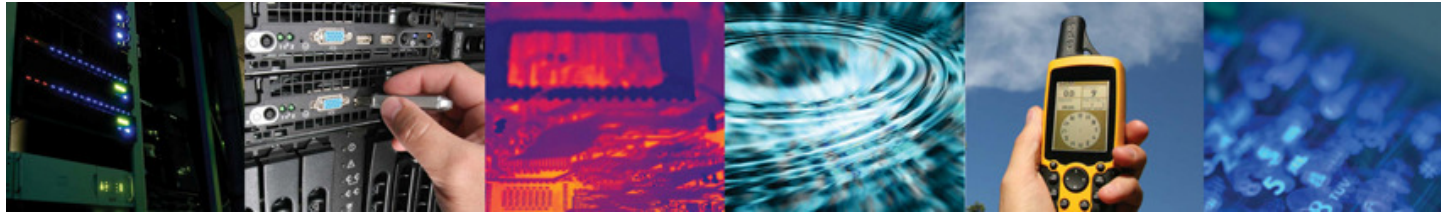
- System Integrator of Time and Timing Solutions
 - Telecoms
 - Government
 - Defence
- Services
 - Manufacturing
 - Hardware Supply
 - Installation
 - Commissioning
 - Support
 - Asset Life Extension
 - Knowledge





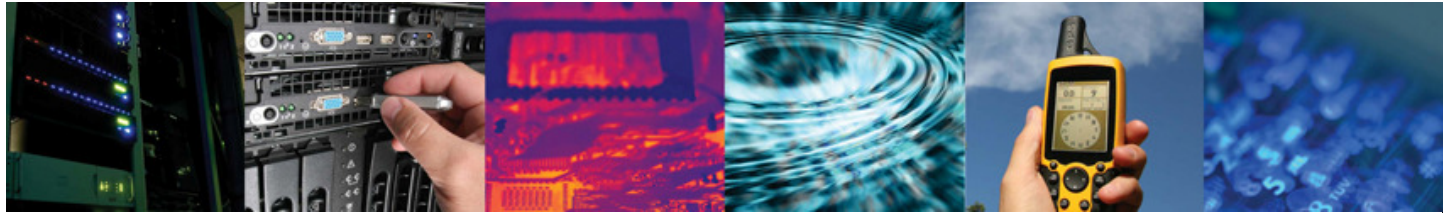
Technologies

- All Positioning Navigation & Timing (PNT) Technologies
 - GPS Receivers, Design and Interference
 - Glonass, Galileo, Compass
 - eLoran & initiative to deploy as a GNSS augmentation
- All Stable Oscillator Technologies
 - Quartz – TCXO, VCXO, OCXO
 - Atomic - Rb, Cs
- Timing, Time of Day, Time Slot Alignment
 - PDH & SDH Timing
 - GSM/CDMA Timing
 - Computer Timing
 - NGN (Ethernet) Timing
 - Cable Timing
 - TDD (LTE & WiMax) Timing
- Phase Locked Loop (PLL) Solutions
 - VCOs
- Time Testing
 - TIE, MTIE, TDEV, minTDEV
 - <100 psec granularity, lab, field and 24x7



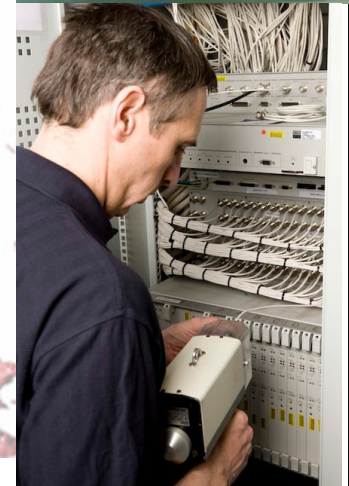
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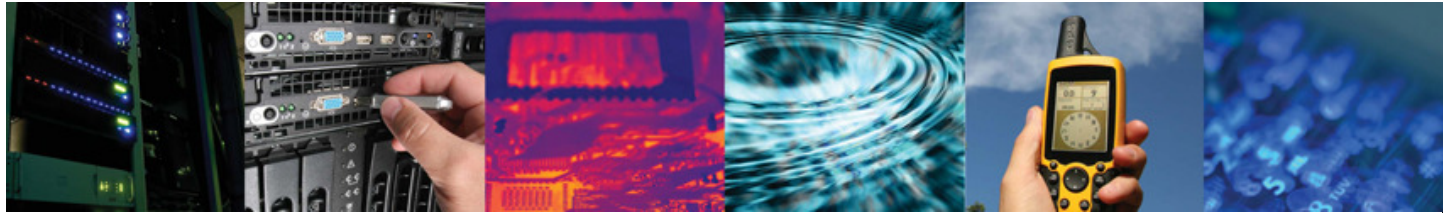




Global Installations (1000's)

- Site Surveys
 - Installation
 - Commissioning
 - Cut-Over
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- Security Clearance
 - Climbing Certification
 - Electrical Certification
 - Health & Safety Awareness

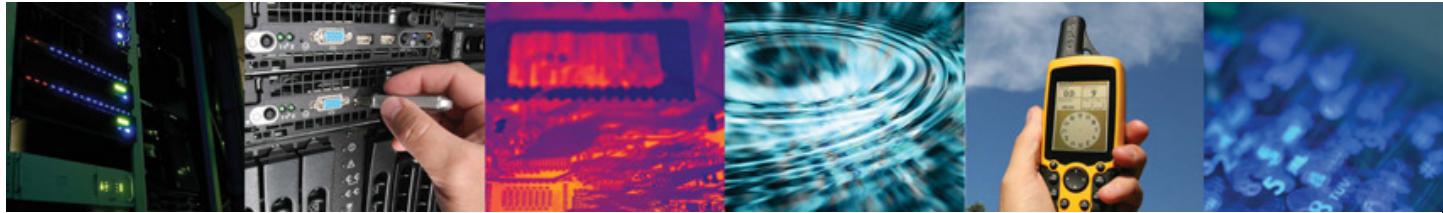




Knowledge

- Sync knowledge consultancy & product training with over **1000** engineers trained on time & timing
- Founder & Chairman of International Telecom Sync Forum – (**ITSF**) **3-5 Nov Rome**
- Member of Steering Group of Workshop on Synchronization in Telecommunication Systems (**WSTS**) **10-12 March 2010**
- Member of **IET** Professional Network – Communications and **FIET**
- Member of **ITU-T** Study Group 15 Question 13 – Synchronisation
- Member of **KTN** – Digital Systems (was Location & Timing) Steering Group
- Member **IAB** for Bath and Liverpool Universities

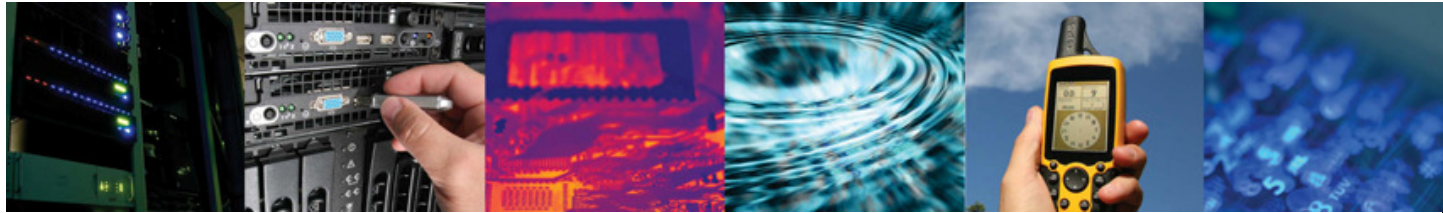




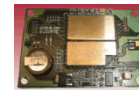
GNSS in High Speed Telecom Networks

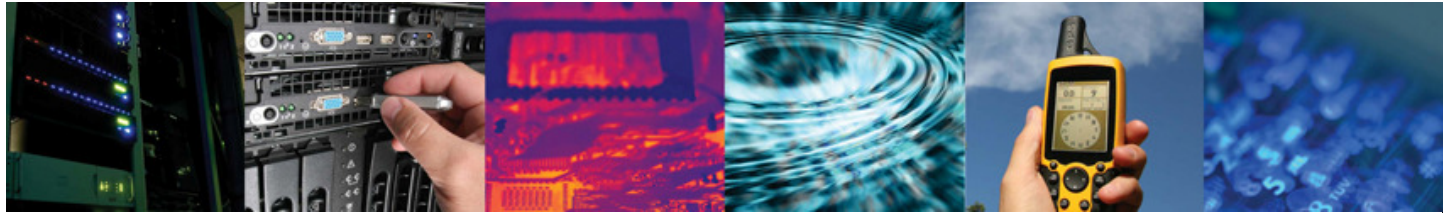
- Wireline Carriers (BT)
 - Traffic Timing at Major Switches (City Locations)
 - NTP Time of Day – Billing, Time Stamping, VoIP Phones
 - PTPv2 Ethernet Timing
 - TIE Monitoring
- Wireless Carriers (Orange, T-Mobile, Vodafone, Three UK, O2)
 - Traffic Timing at Major Switches (MSC)
 - NTP Time of Day - Billing
 - Radio Stability for Base Stations – MacroCells, MicroCells, PicoCells & (future) Femtocells
 - Phase/Frequency Alignment – Future LTE Systems
 - TIE Monitoring
- PMR/Emergency Services (TETRA)
 - Radio Frequency Stability - Base Stations





Typical GNSS Traffic Timing Solutions





GNSS Enabled NTP & PTP Solutions

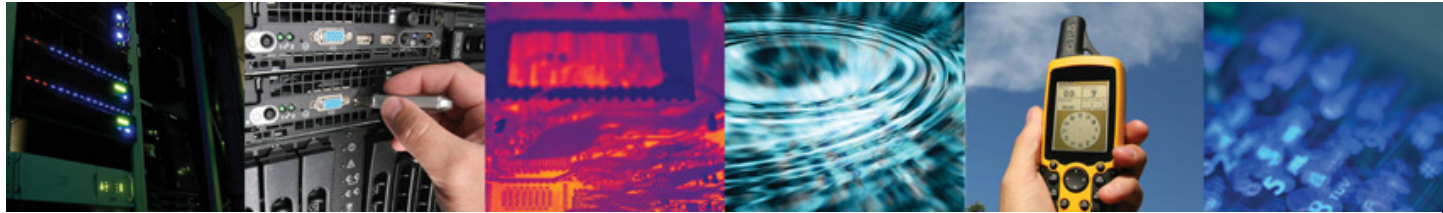
NTP for Billing
and Event Time
Stamping ~ ms

NTP for Base
Station Sync <1ms



PTPv2 for Time and
Timing through
Ethernet ~ 10/100 μ s



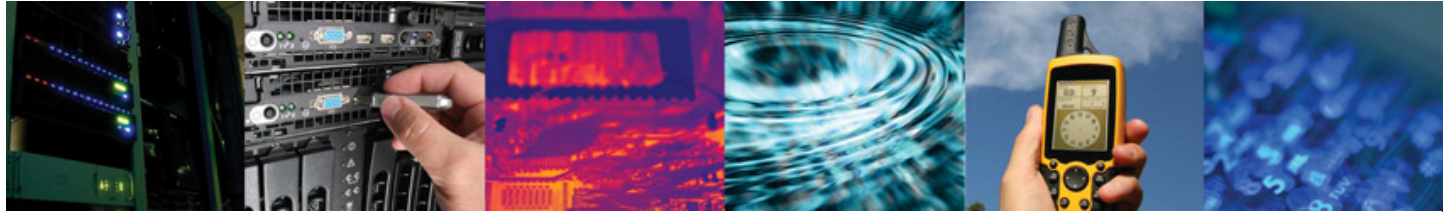


GNSS Timing & Time Error Monitoring

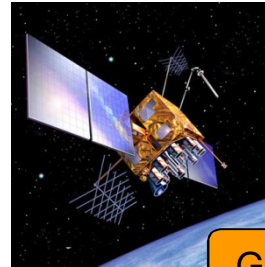


- SyncWatch (TimeWatch)
 - 24x7 Web enabled timing test system. 1nsec resolution.
 - Remote Probe – with dedicated Server
 - Standalone – with Symm TimeMonitor
 - Solo – USB access
- SyncWatch Internal Reference Options
 - GPS, GPS/OCXO, GPS/Rb
- OEM Timing Solutions
 - GPS, with Quartz, Rb & CSAC



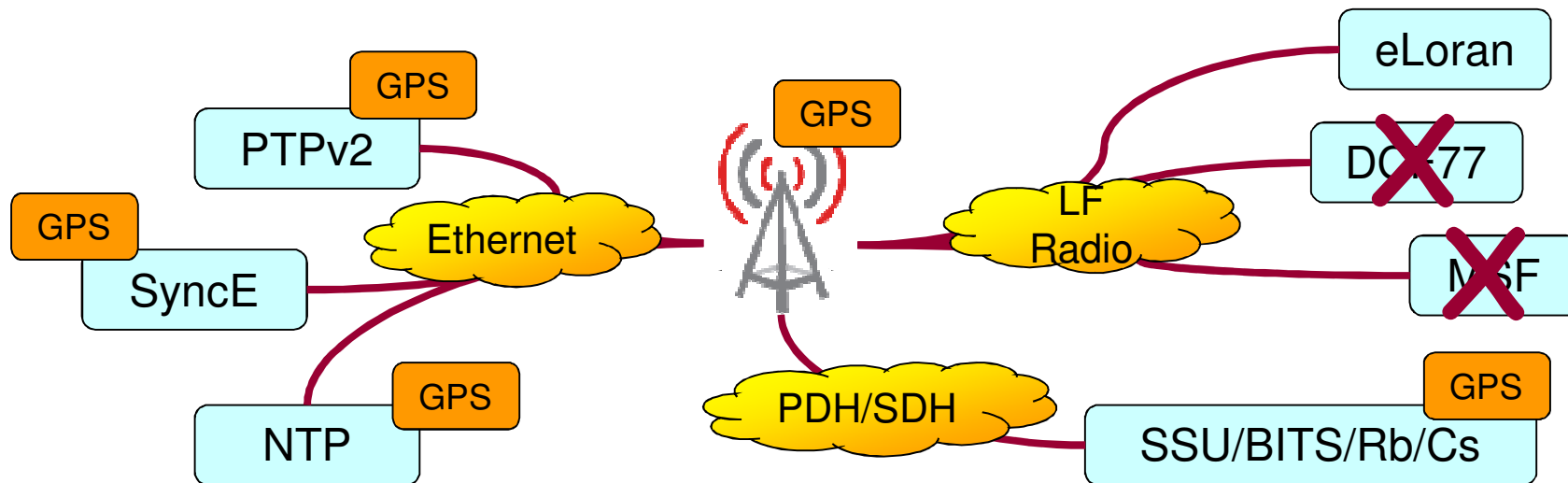


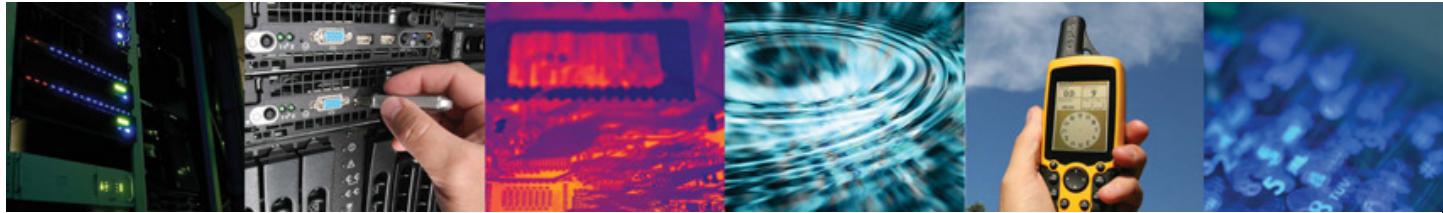
UTC Traceability for Time and Timing uses GNSS



GPS

Mobile Base Station

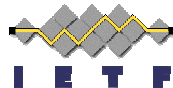


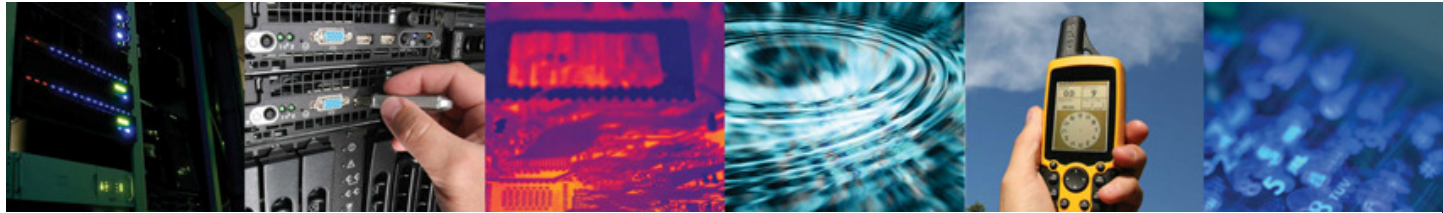


Time Error Monitoring



- Quality Metrics are well documented in ITU Standards
- Telecom Industry using TIE and MTIE since 1996
 - TIE – Time Interval Error
 - MTIE – Maximum Time Interval Error
 - TIE can be used to compute Allan Variance
- Standards
 - ITU G.810 "Definitions and terminology for synchronisation networks" 1996
 - www.chronos.co.uk/pages/knowledge/standards.php
- All Standards Organisations now reference this technique

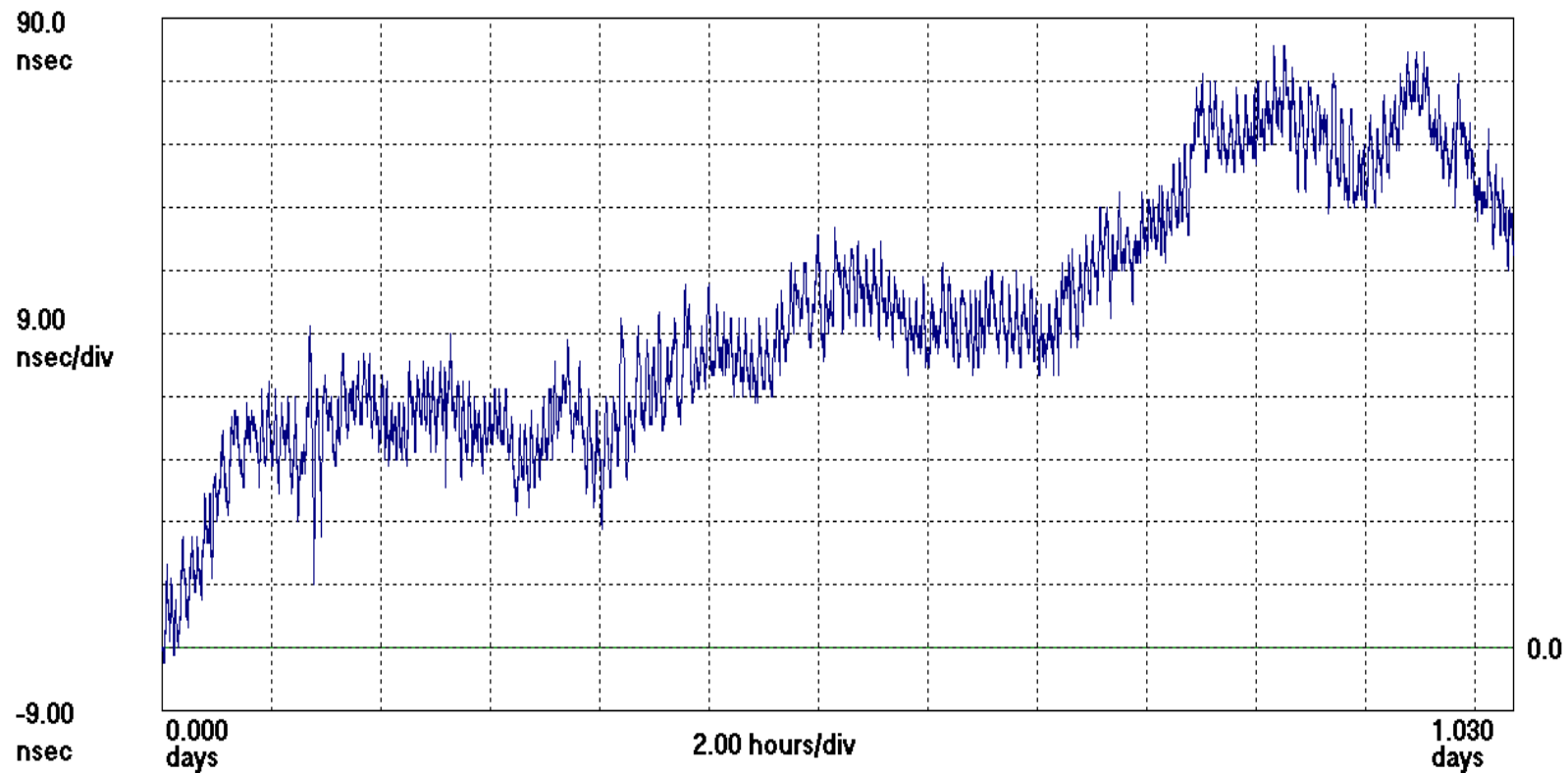


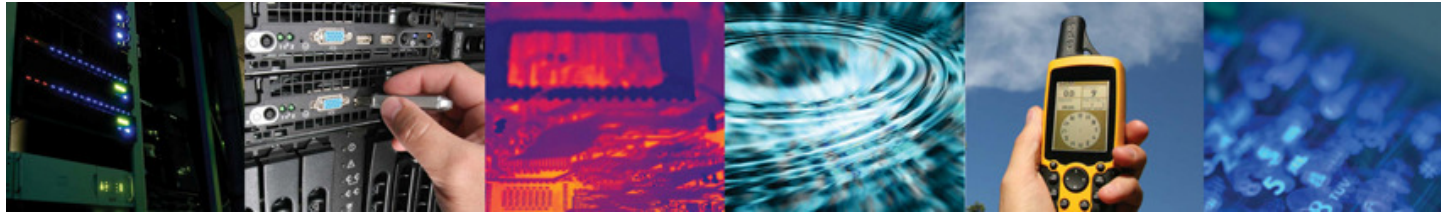


Look at Raw Data

SyncWatch Phase; Samples: 88986; DataSource=Chronos Technology SyncWatch Probe

Measured Signal - 2.048 MHz Output from Loran Rx; Reference=2.048 MHz from Local Cs; SampleSpacing=1/sec

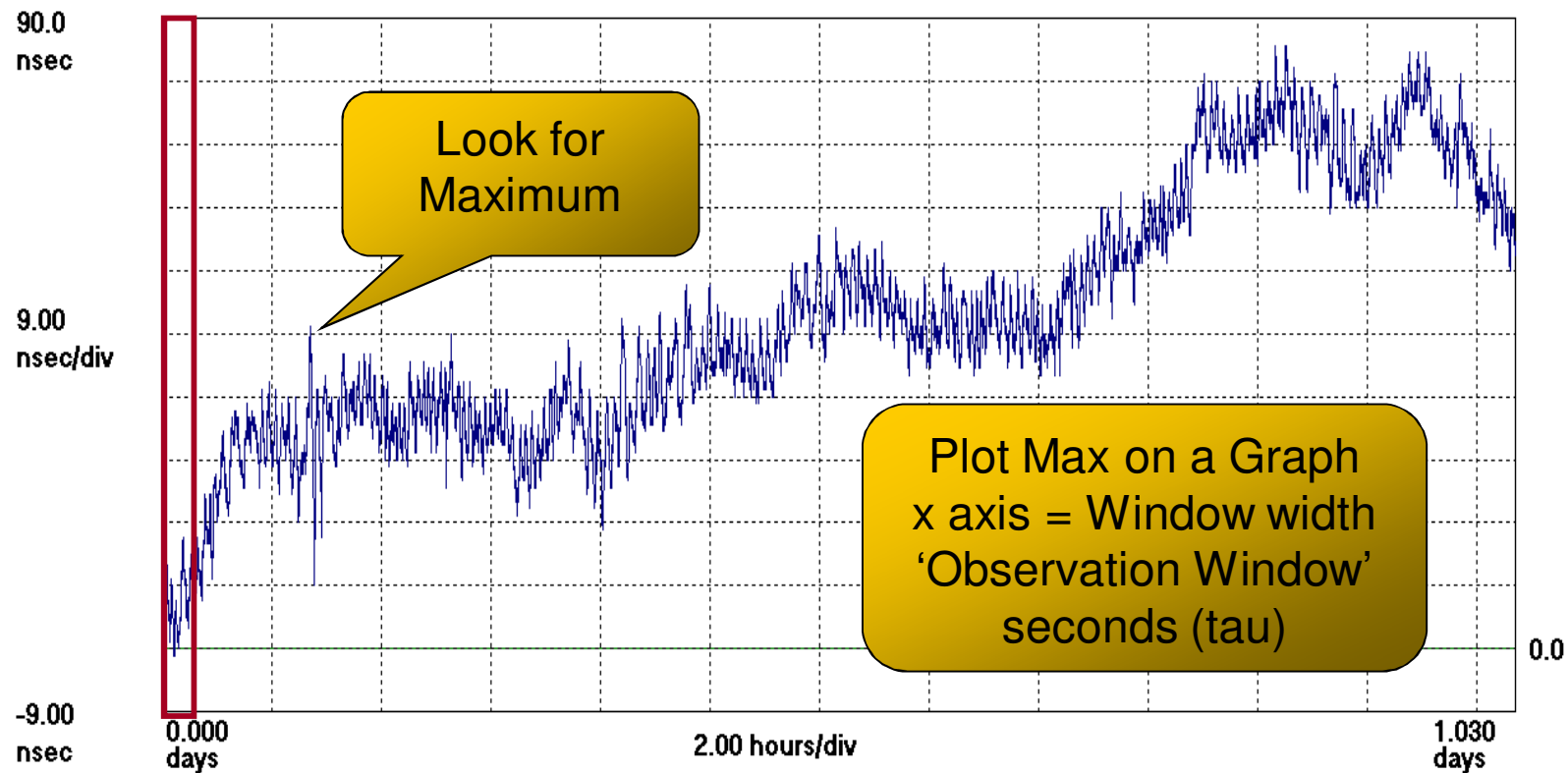


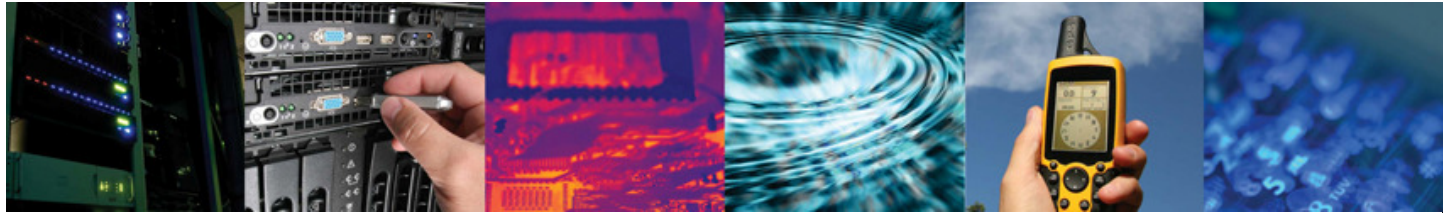


Analyse Data Using Window

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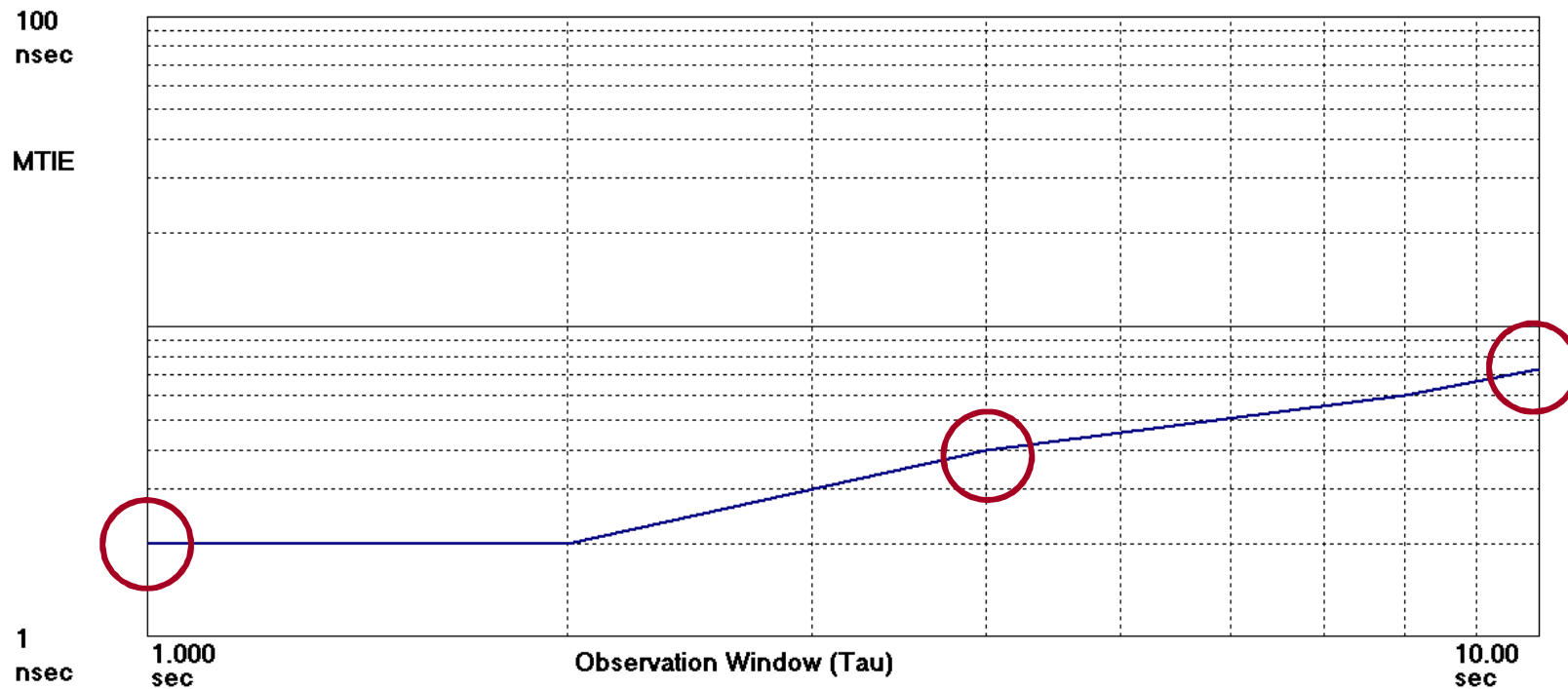
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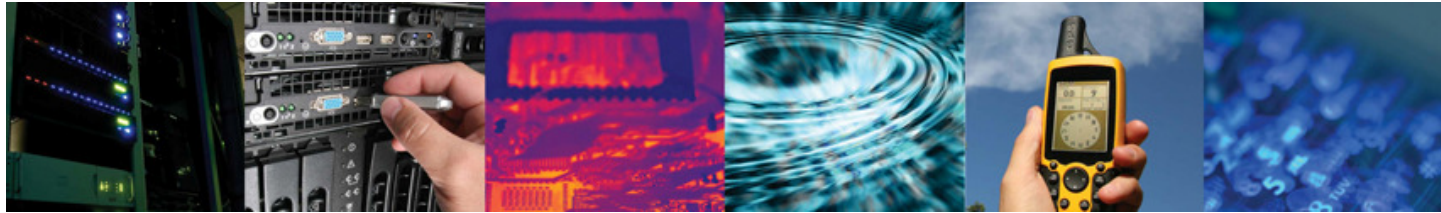




Plot Maximum Points

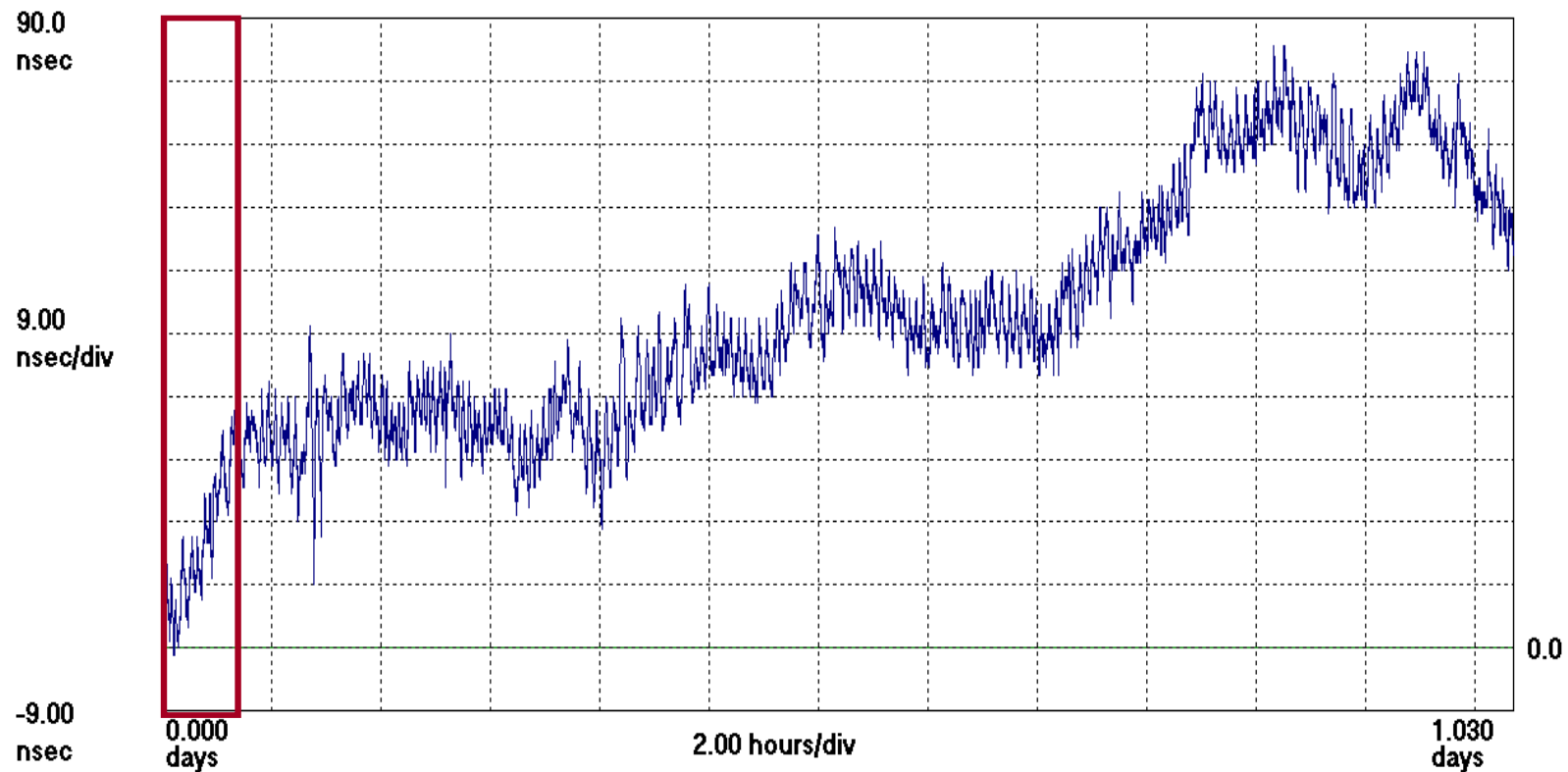
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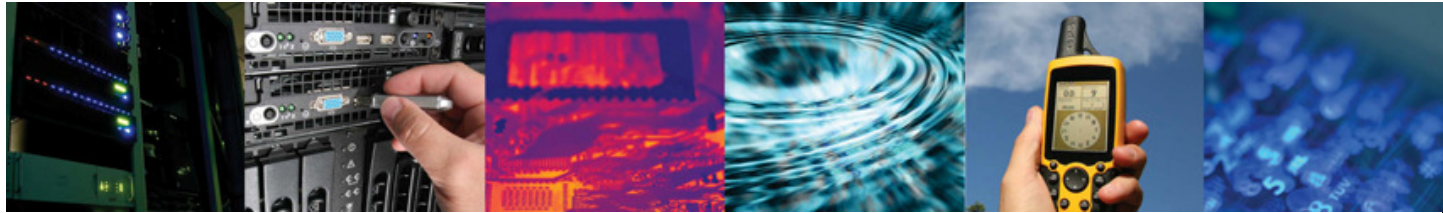




Use Bigger Window

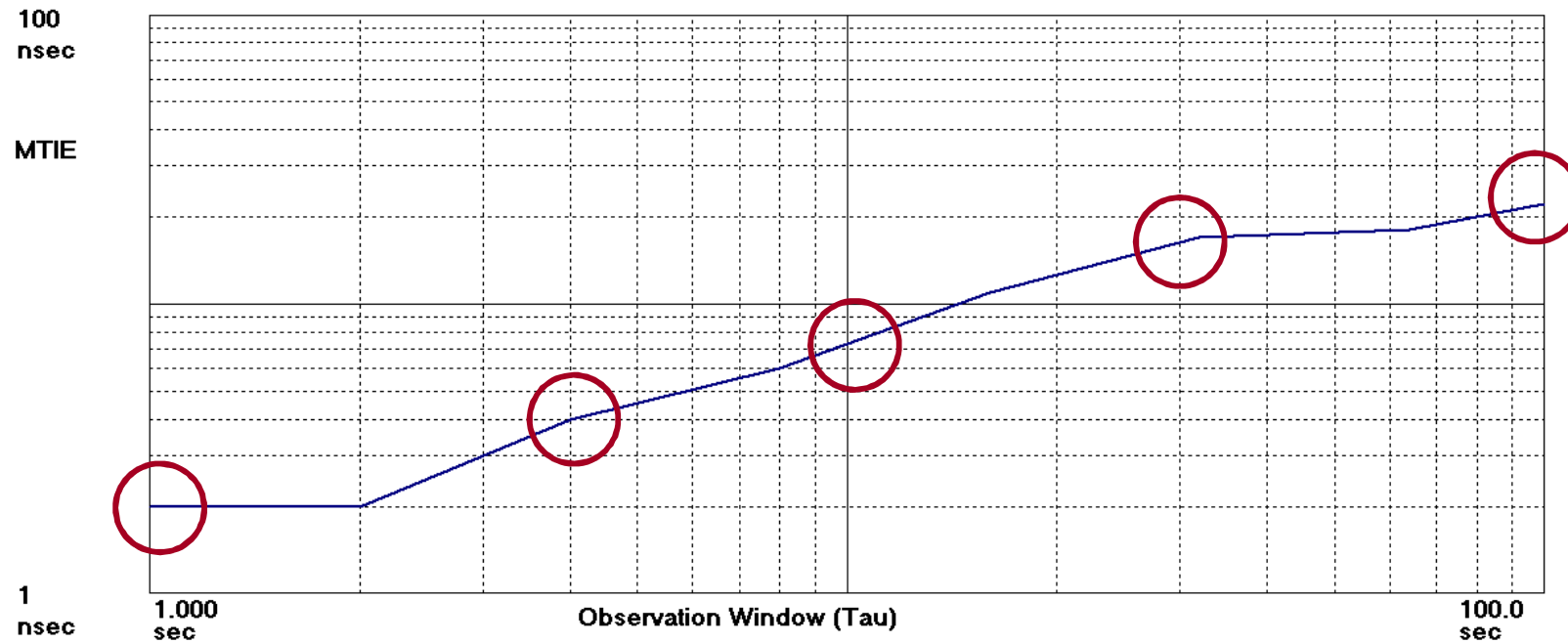
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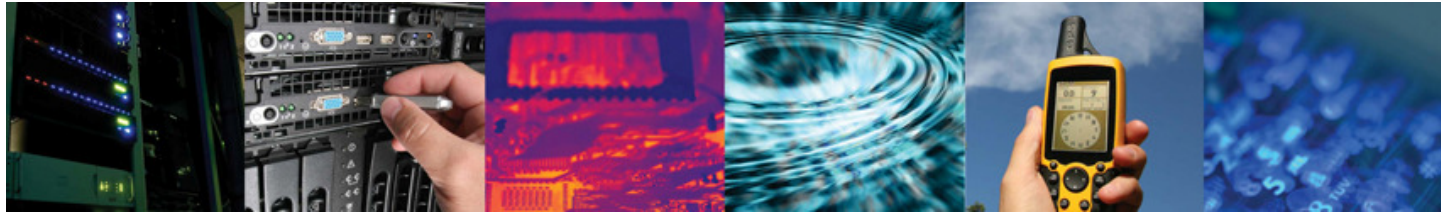




Add the new 'Max' points

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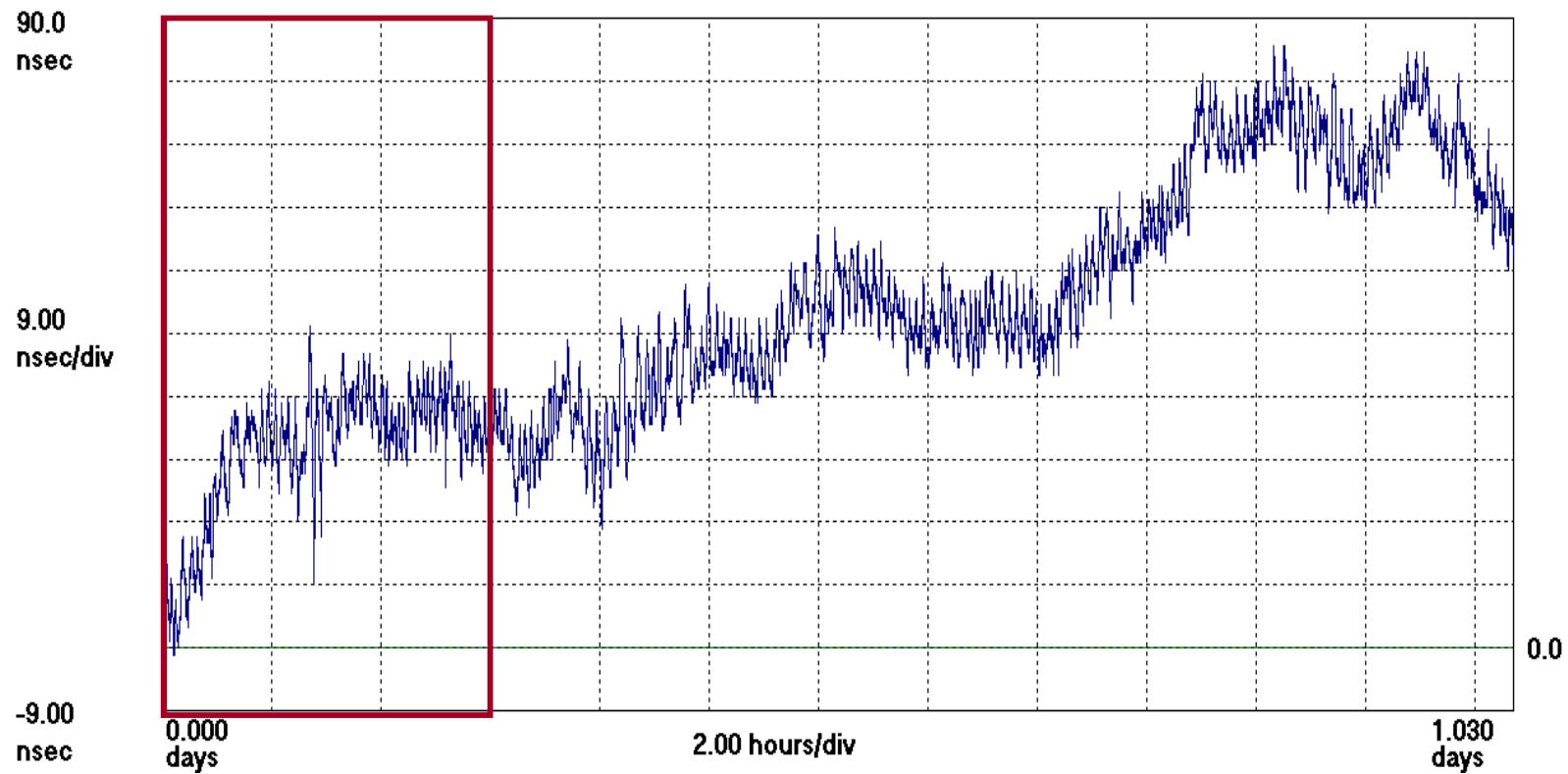


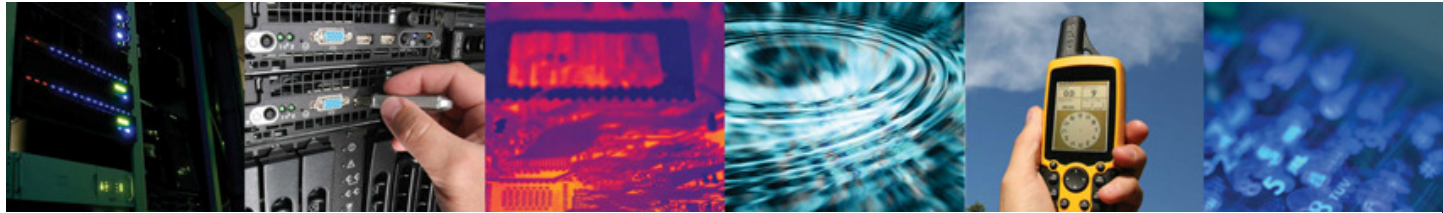


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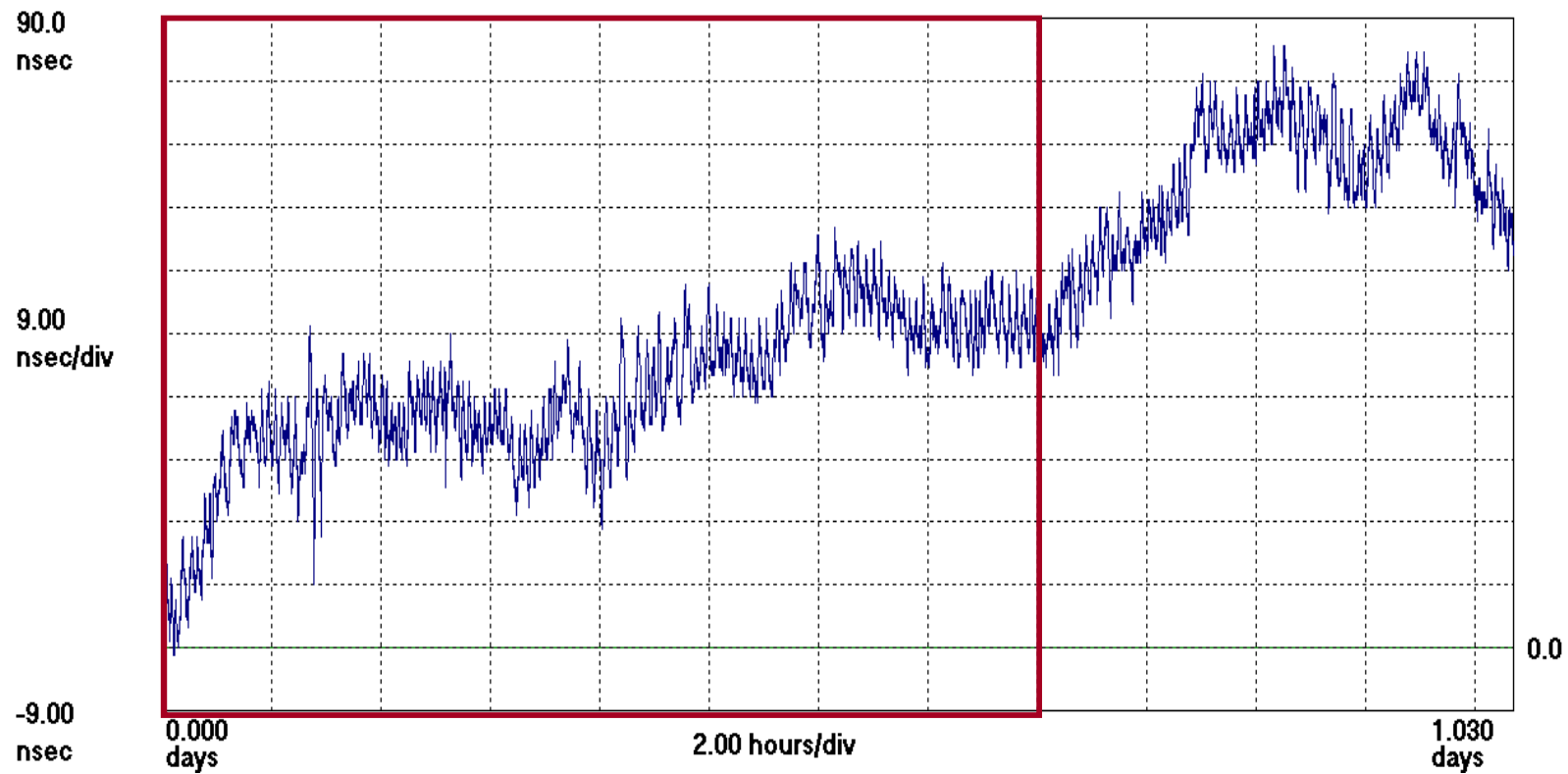


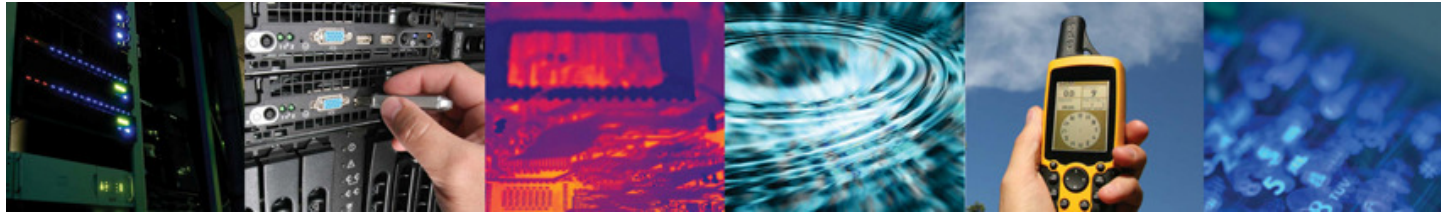


Use even BIGGER Window!

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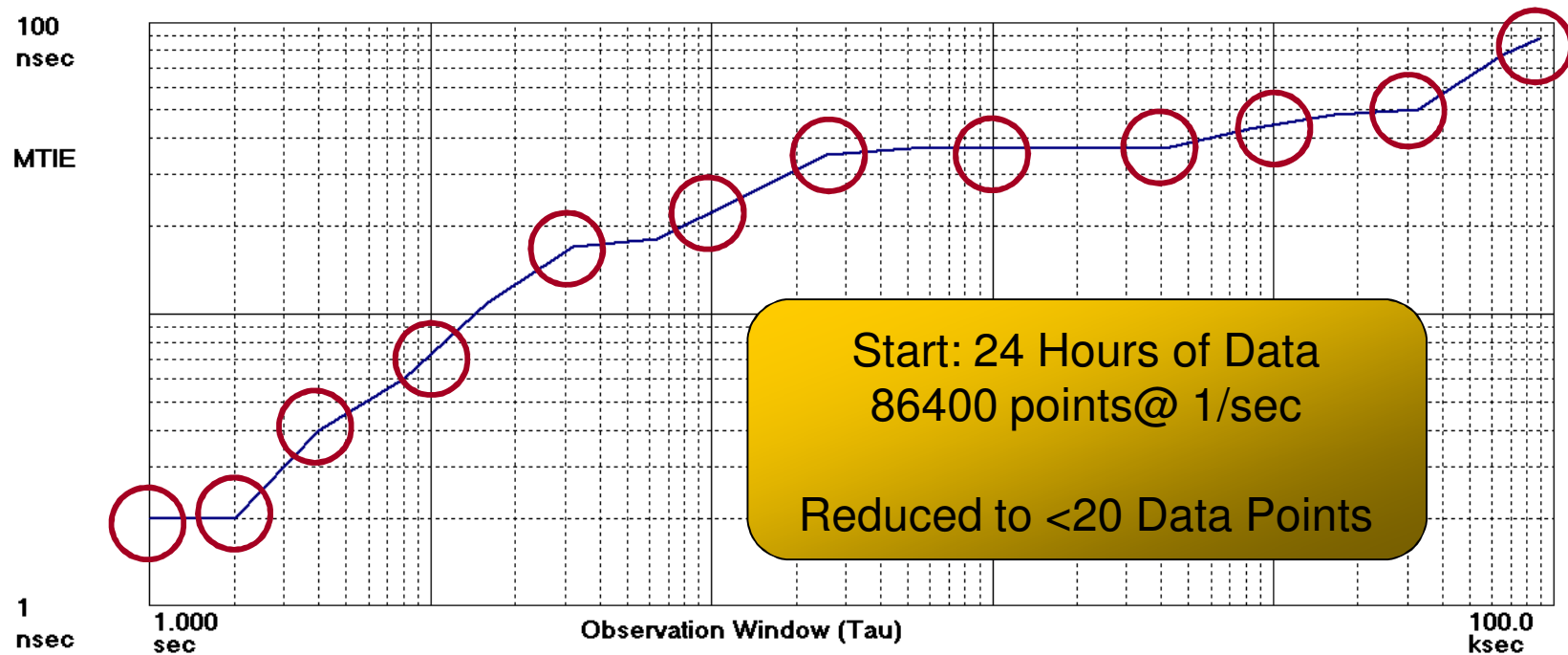


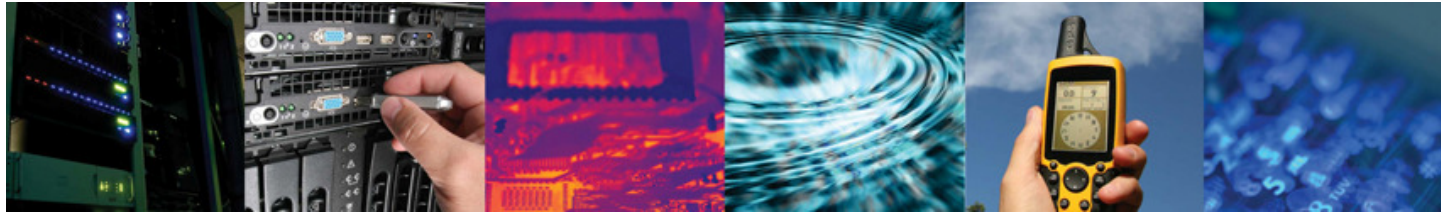


Eventually we get the whole set

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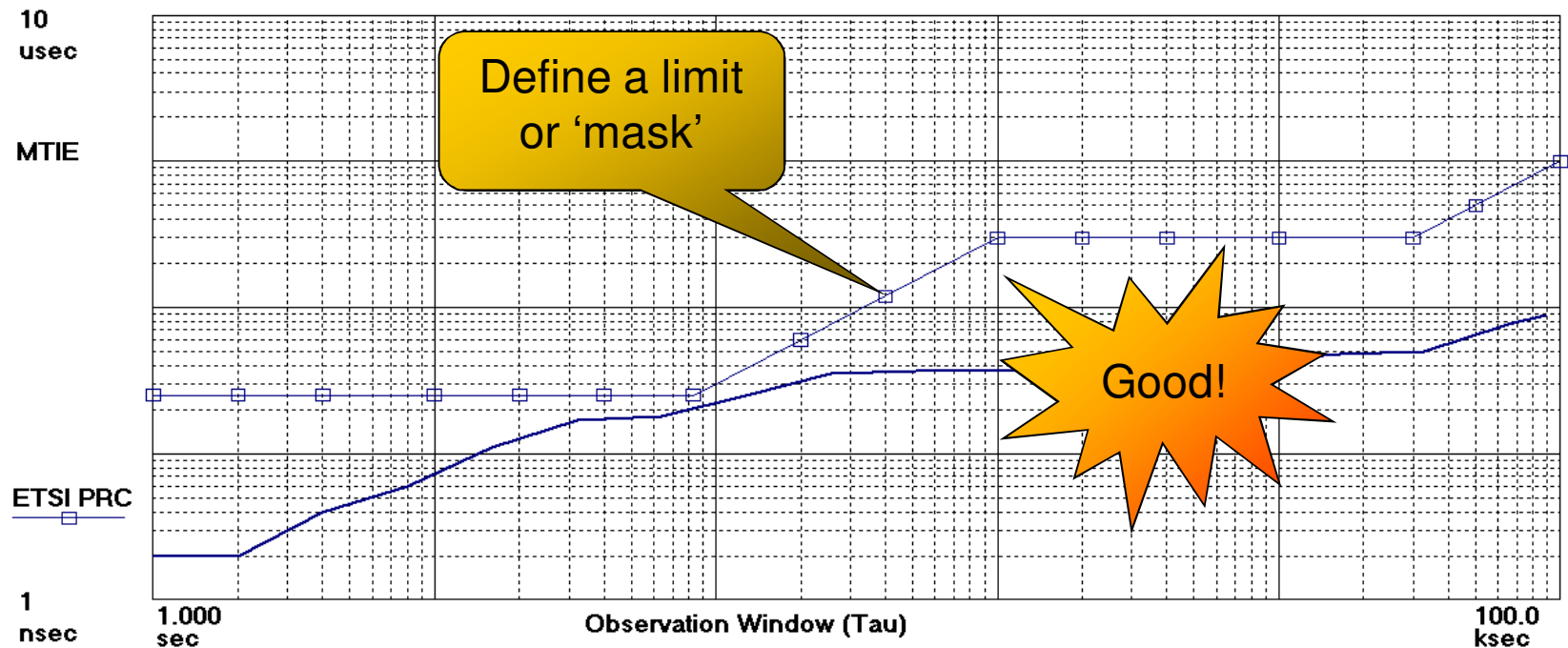
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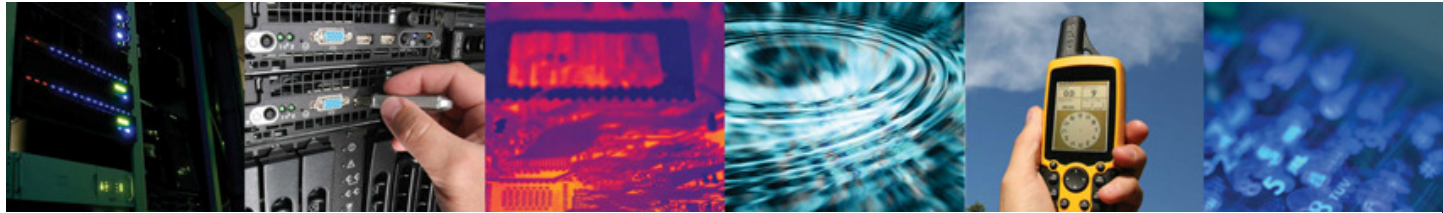




Compare to a Limit

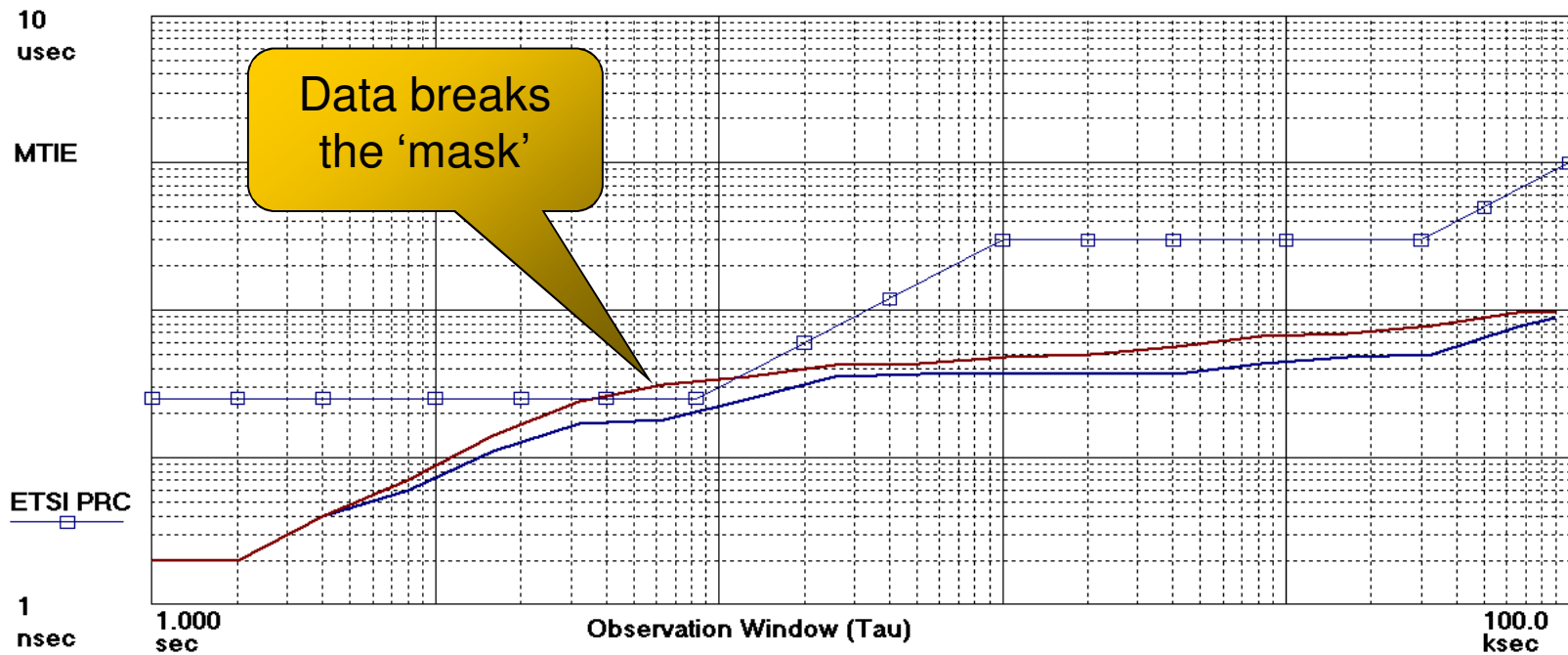
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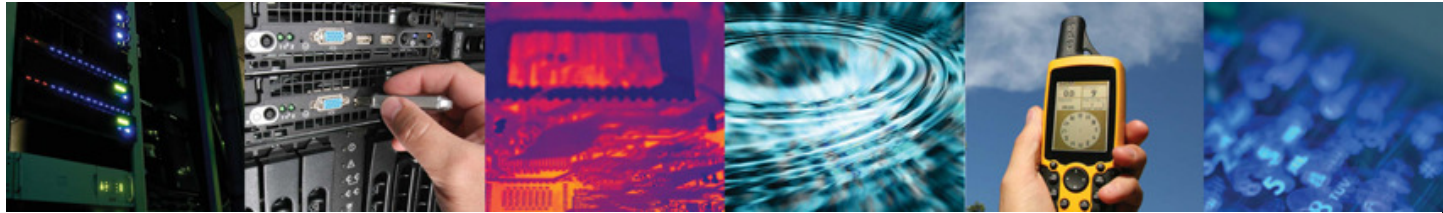




Compare MTIEs v Mask

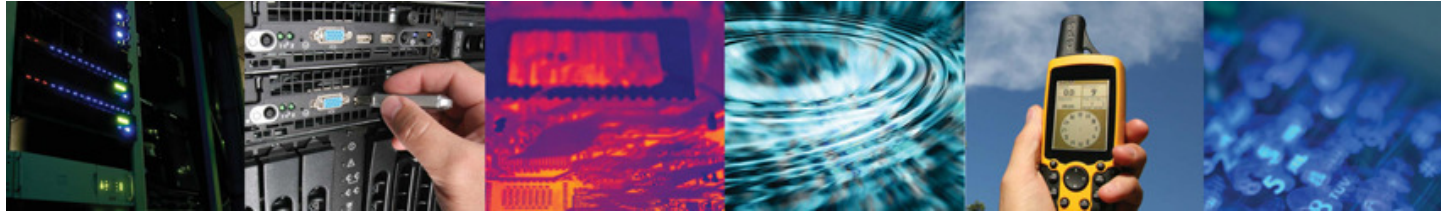
1 (blue): SyncWatch Phase; Samples: 88986; DataSource=Chronos Technology SyncWatch Probe; Measured Signal - 2.048 MHz Output from
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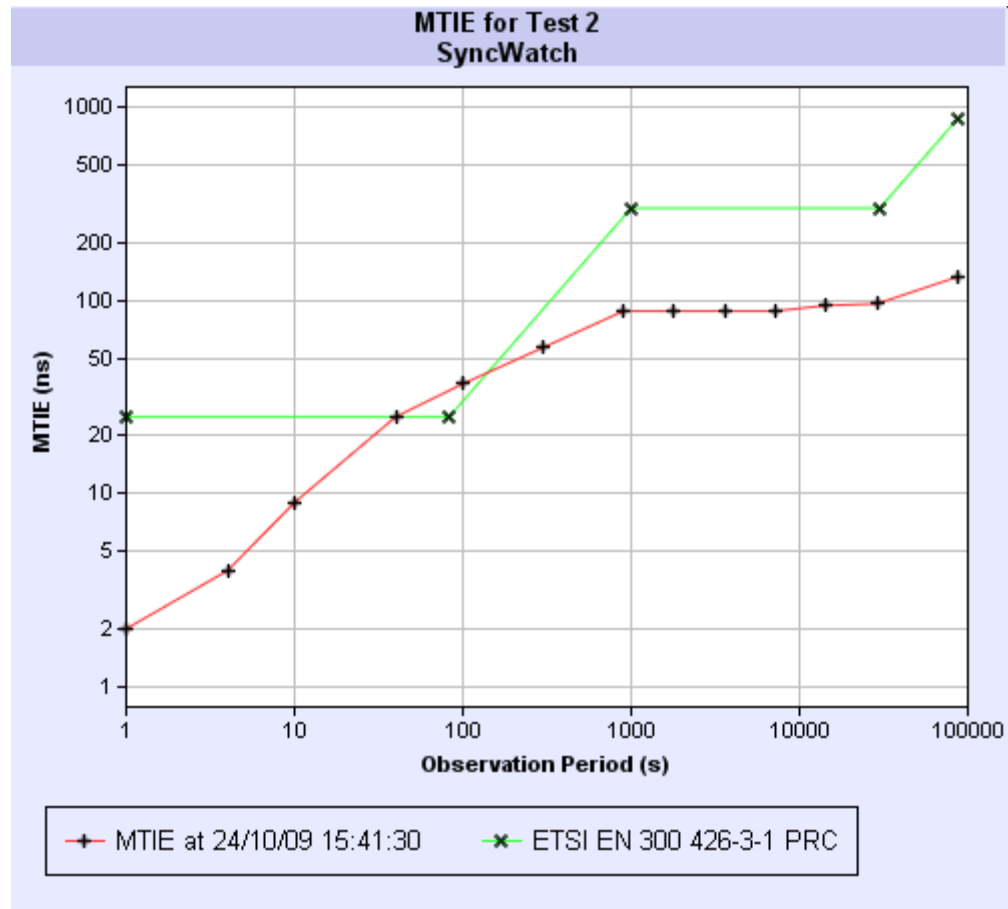


MTIE Conclusion

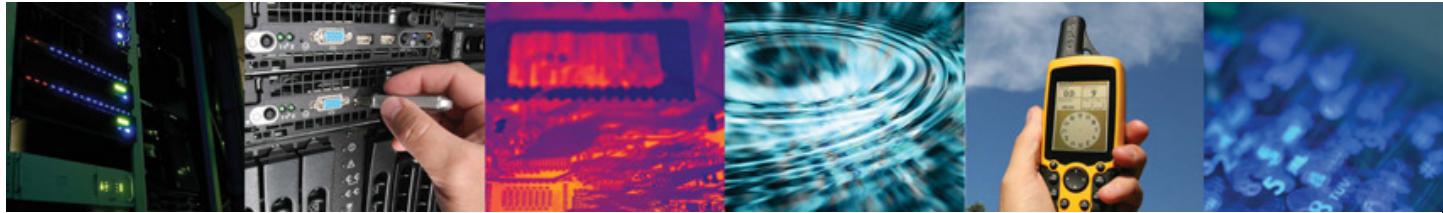
- A method to reduce data
- Summarise/Reduce N points to n points
 - e.g. $N = 86400$, $n = 15$
 - Without losing knowledge of content
- Do this 24x7
- Compare to MTIE 'Mask' defined by Standards



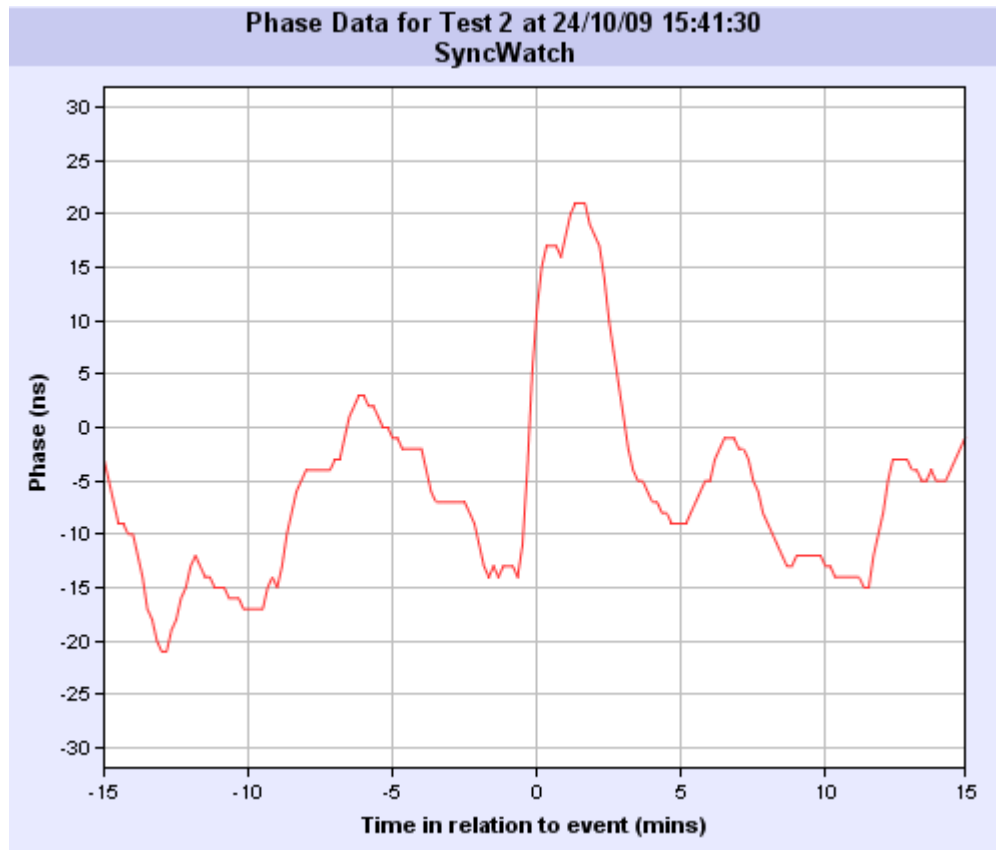
Same Data from Automatic System - SyncWatch



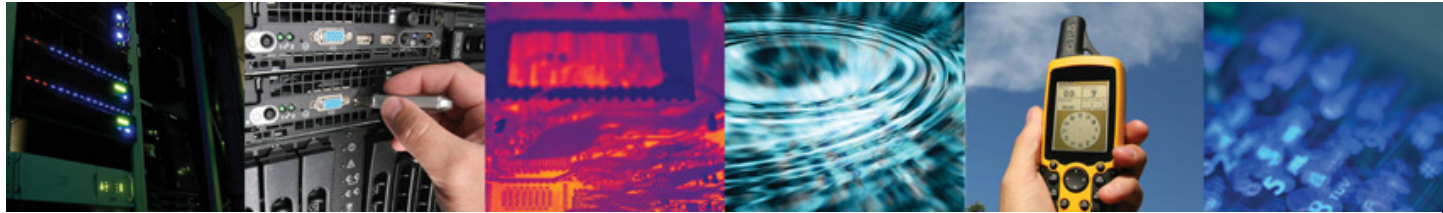
- Automatic MTIE
- Compare to location signature
- Alarms when mask broken
- SMS on alarm
- View over internet



Capture the Data around Event



- Capture event that caused the alarm
- +/- 15 Minutes either side
- “Straw that broke the camel’s back”

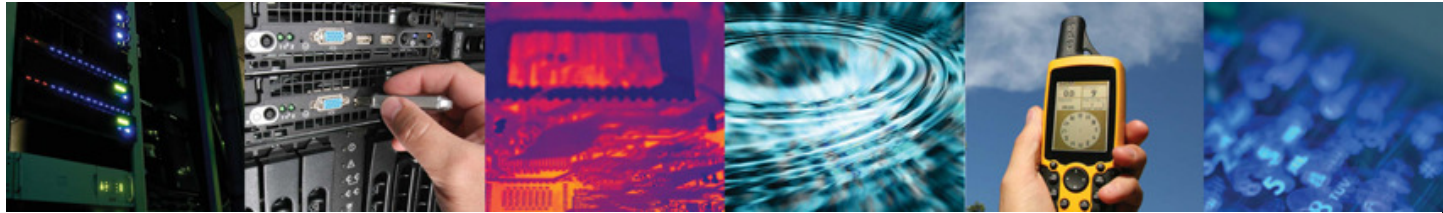


Demonstration - Autonomous Time Error Monitoring

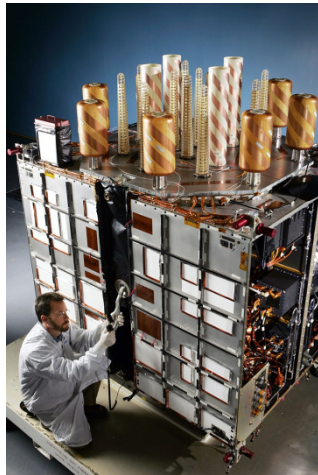
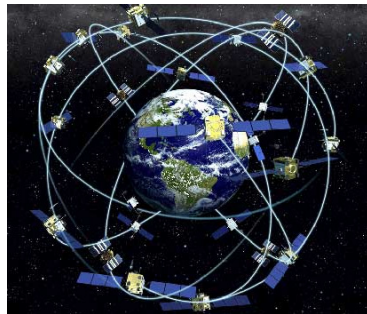
- SyncWatch
 - Web Enabled,
 - 24x7 TIE Monitoring System
 - Heartbeats
 - Alarms if MTIE threshold exceeded
 - Server alerts users
 - Users view events over the internet

■ www.syncwatch.com





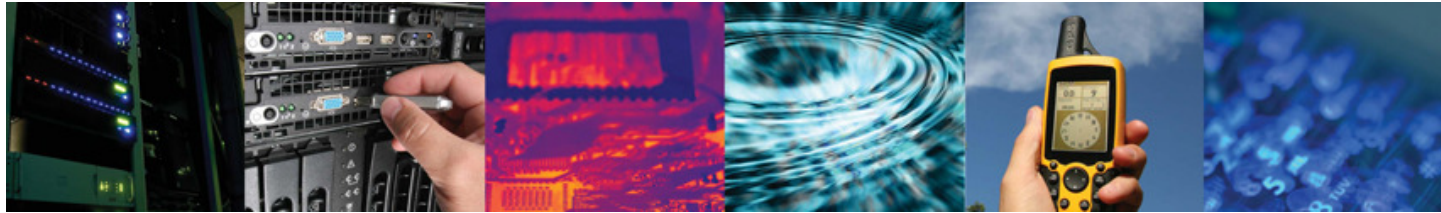
The GAARDIAN Project - *GPS Interference Detection & Mitigation*



- **G**NSS **A**vailability, **A**ccuracy, **R**eliability and **D**Integrity **A**ssessment for Timing and **N**avigation
- Research Data Gathering necessary to create a GPS Interference Detection & Mitigation (IDM) network
 - At point of use, 24x7x365
 - for mission & safety critical applications
 - Which use GPS (or GNSS) signals
 - **Leveraging eLoran signals for QoS determination**
- UK Government Funded R&D Project (>£2m)
 - through Technology Strategy Board

GNSS – Global Navigation Satellite Systems – e.g. GPS, Glonass, Galileo, Compass, QZSS

QoS – Quality of Service

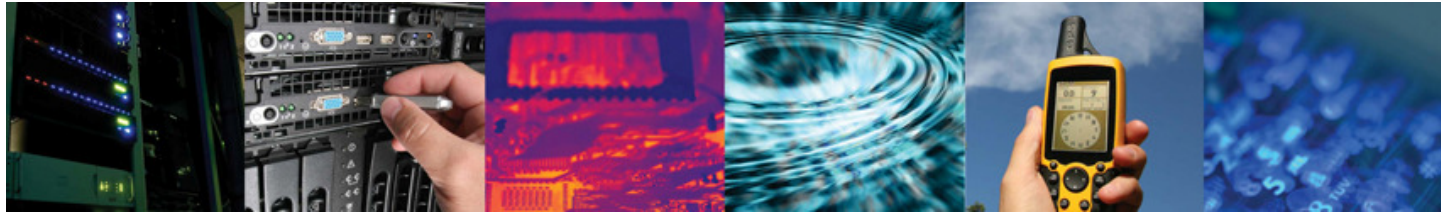


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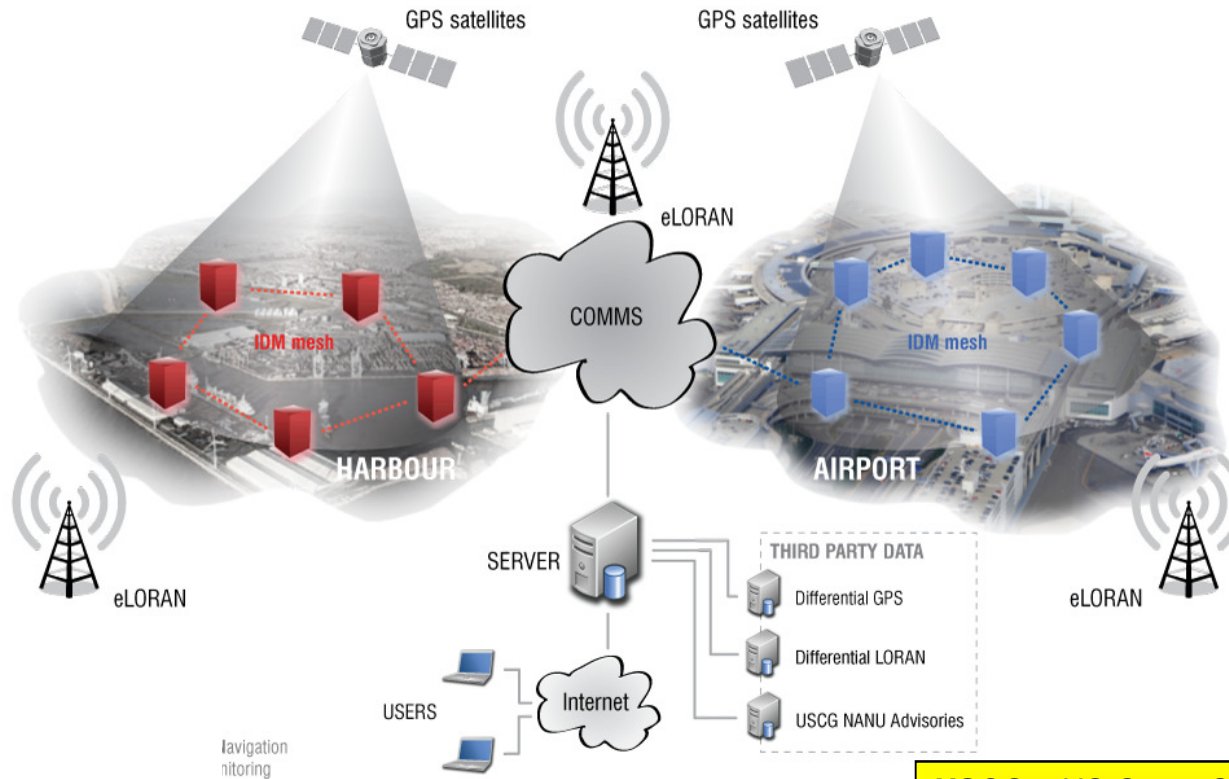


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 - User Community - Maritime
 - eLoran
- Imperial College London - Dept of Civil Eng
 - User Community - Transport
 - Integrity Monitoring Algorithms
- University of Bath - Dept of Electrical & Electronics
 - GPS & Space Weather
- BT – Adastral Research Laboratories
 - User Community – Telecoms
- Ordnance Survey
 - User Community – Land Geolocation
- NPL – National Physical Laboratory
 - Time, UTC Traceability
- Chronos Technology Ltd
 - Real time Timing measurement to ns granularity
 - GPS products, components & system integration
 - GAARDIAN Project Leader

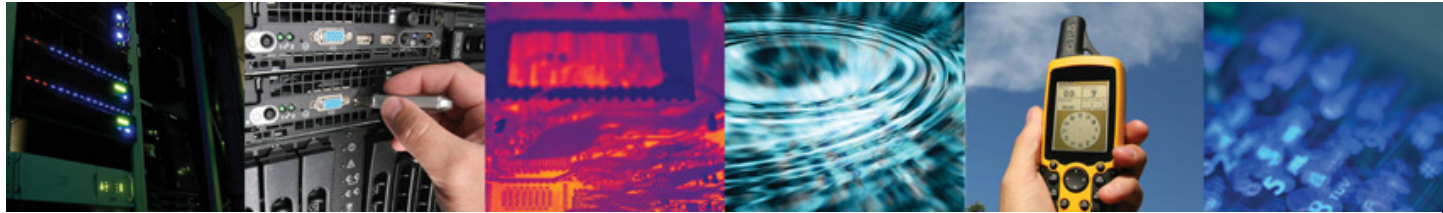




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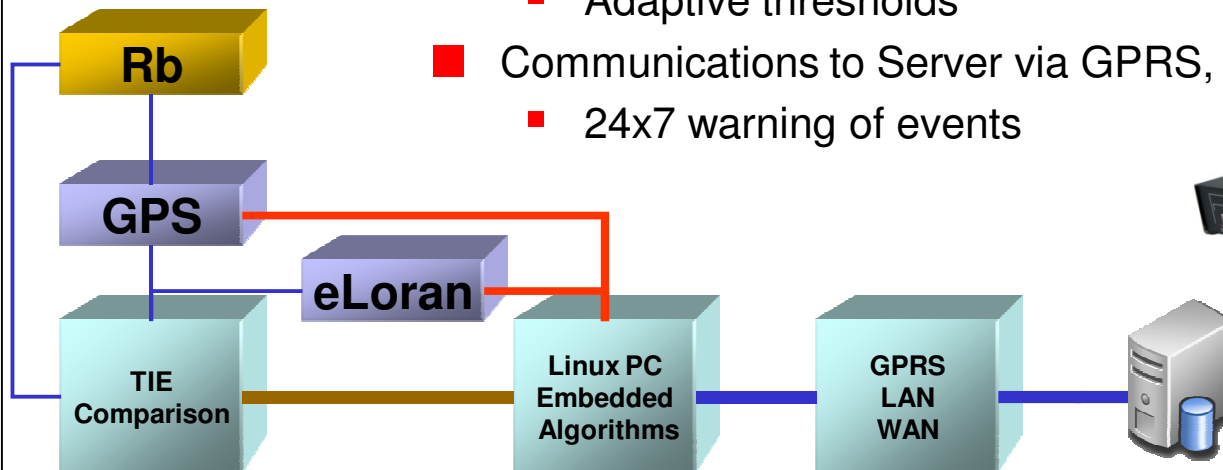


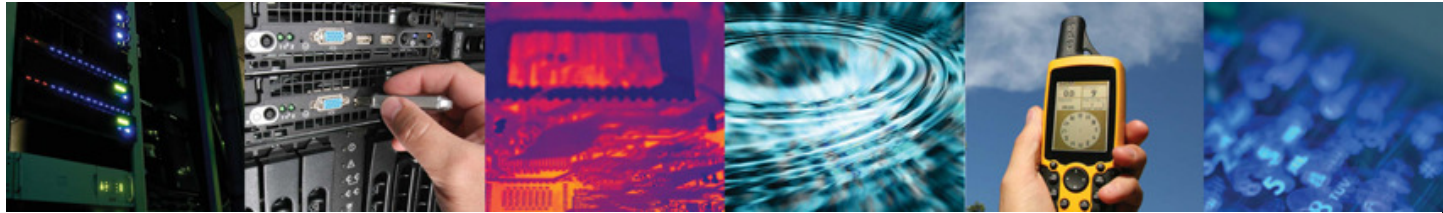
USCG – US Coast Guard
NANU – Notice Advisory to Navstar Users



GAARDIAN – IDM Sensor

- IDM Sensors based on Chronos SyncWatch probes
 - Watching GPS & eLoran Signals
- Time Interval Error (TIE) Monitoring between PNT signals from BT
- Embedded Linux to process TIE and PNT data
 - Algorithms from CTL, GLA, ICL and UoB
 - Event severity and manageability discrimination
 - Adaptive thresholds
- Communications to Server via GPRS, LAN or WAN
 - 24x7 warning of events





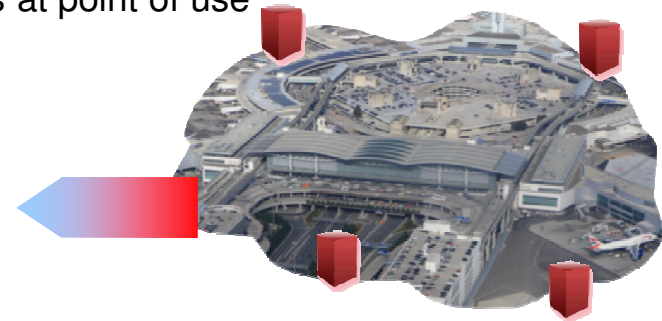
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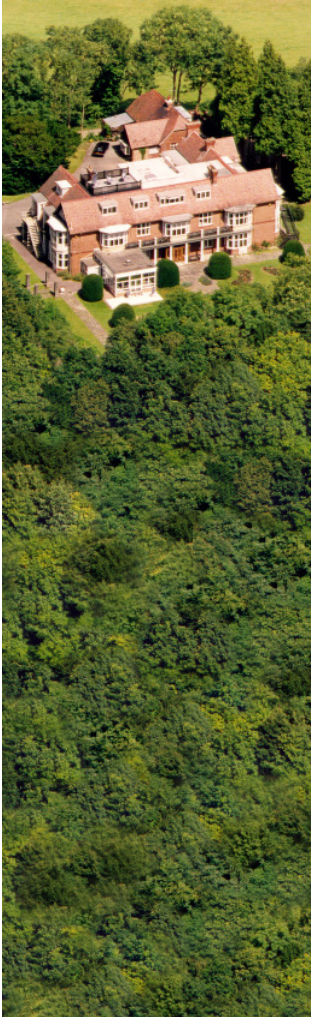
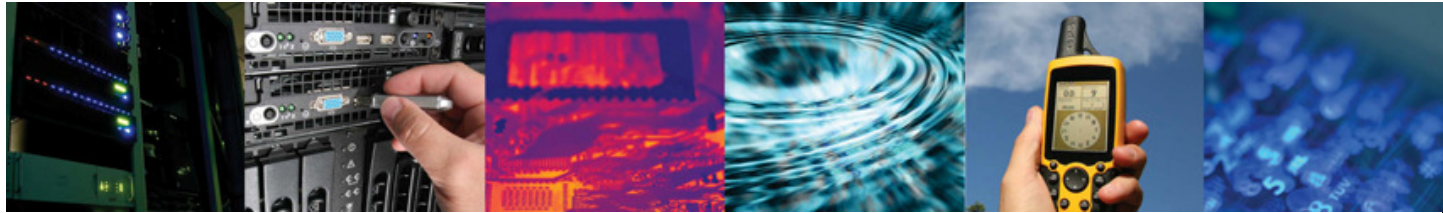
Users



- Develop 24x7 web enabled IDM sensors
 - IDM – Interference, Detection & Mitigation
 - Which can be deployed as networks
- Locally deployed networks of IDM sensors in the vicinity of the user
 - GAARDIAN will deploy trial sensors to analyse data
 - Reduce data at source without losing “content”
 - Heartbeats and “Event” communication back to Server
 - Store for user viewing over internet
- Enable Real-Time GPS, Galileo, Glonass or eLoran (PNT) monitoring
 - For Mission/Safety critical users at point of use

**GAARDIAN
Server**





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Thank You

