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MODERNISING GEOSPATIAL REFERENCE SYSTEM  
CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

National geodetic adjustments

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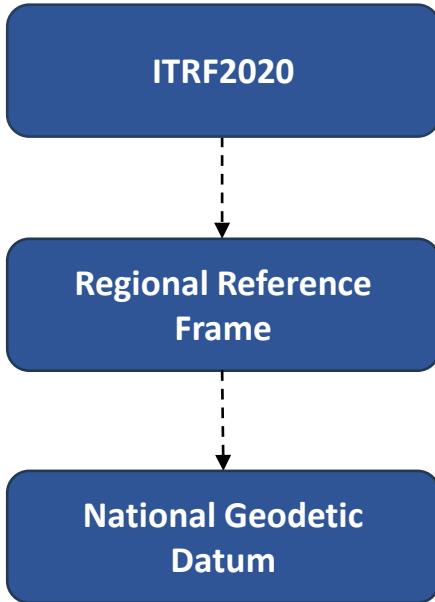
# When to consider performing a national geodetic adjustment

- Datum not aligned with current version of ITRF
- Distortion in datum due to geophysical reasons
- Increase in accuracy of datum is needed for emerging technologies
- GNSS CORS network has been densified (improved resolution)



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# How to aligning NGD with ITRF



1. Choose an ITRF realisation and epoch to align to (e.g. ITRF2020@2024)
2. Include the GNSS CORS from your country in the regional reference frame (e.g EUREF)  
*Even if the GNSS CORS are not in the IGS network, they will be linked to the ITRF through the regional reference frame,*
3. The positions from the GNSS CORS in your country which are analysed in the regional reference frame are used as the constraint in the national adjustment.

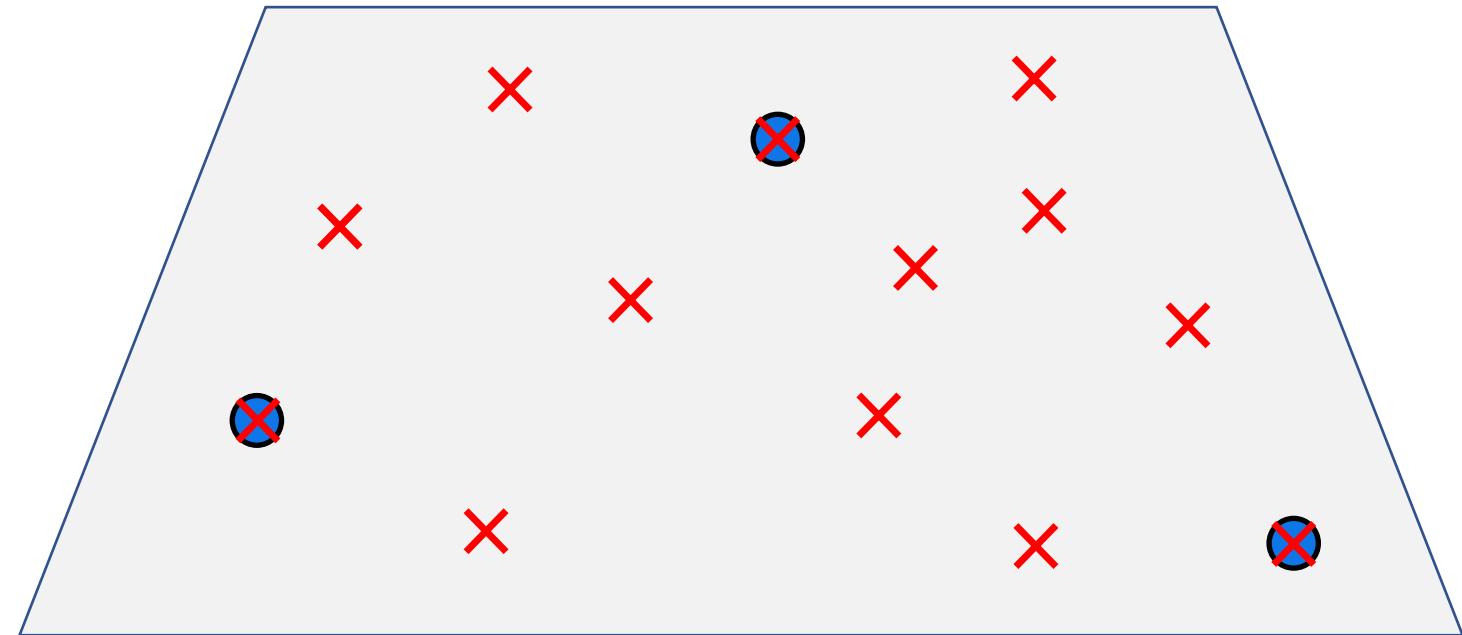


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# How to align NGD with ITRF

✗ - National GNSS CORS

● - GNSS CORS included in International or regional reference frame



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# Site selection process

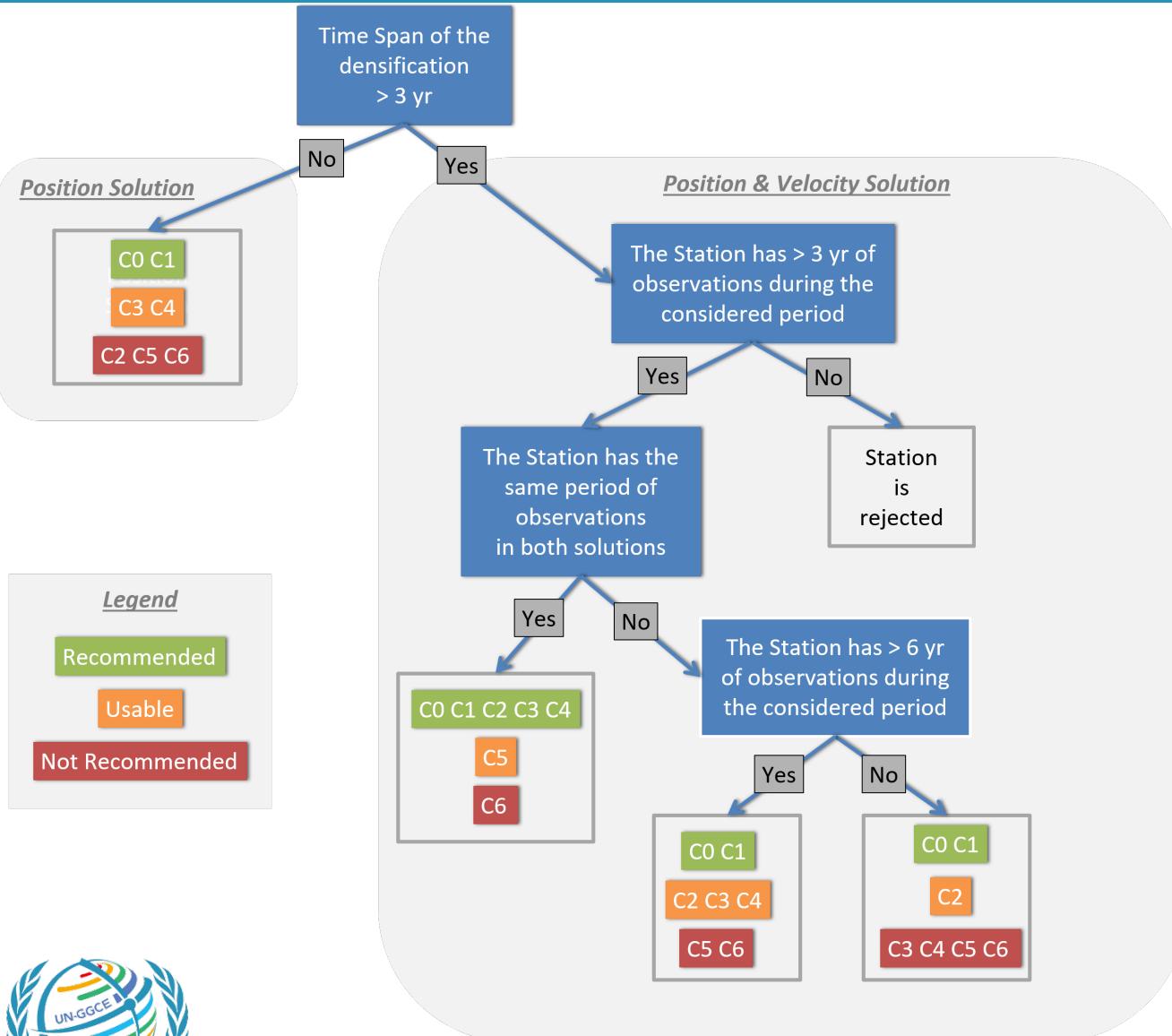
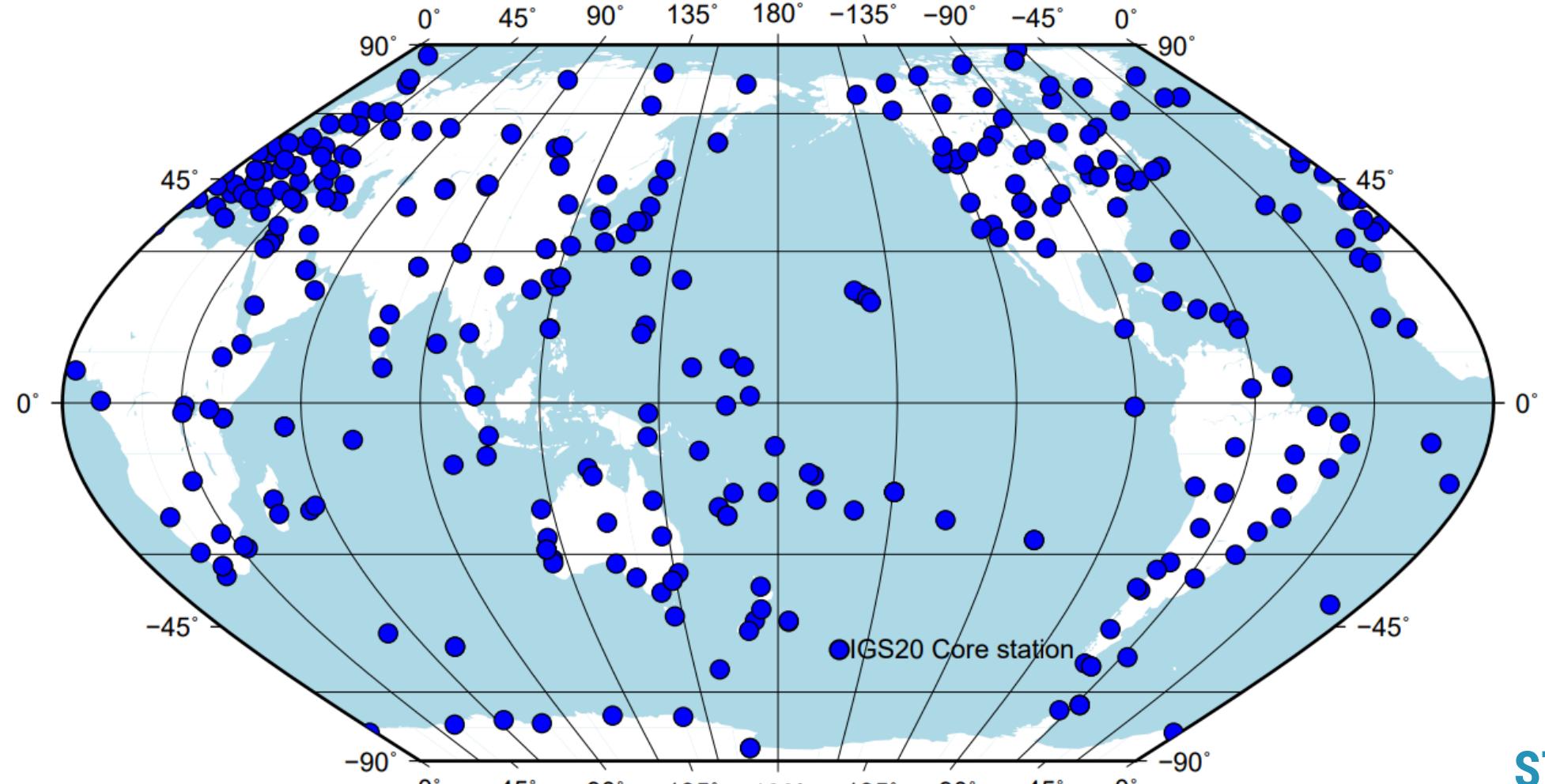


Table2: the rules applied to define the 8 station classes C0, C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, C6, Short

Name	Number	Criteria					Comment
		Velocity variability	Timeseries RMS	Amplitude 1Y signal	DVcatref-Hector	$\sigma_{Hector}$	
C0	64	< Percentile 75		< Percentile 75			Most Stable Stations
C1	38	< Percentile 75		< Percentile 85			Stable but Noisy or with Seasonal Signals
C2	47	< Percentile 75		No threshold	< Percentile 85		Less Stable
C3	19	< Percentile 85		< Percentile 85			
C4	11	Not Available - Short time series		< Percentile 85			
C5	72	< Percentile 85		No criteria > Percentile 95			Even Less Stable
C6	146	velocity variability > Percentile 85 and/or 1 or more other criteria > Percentile 95 or Short time series with 1 or more criteria > Percentile 85					Less Reliable
Short	74			< 3yr - not applicable			No velocity published

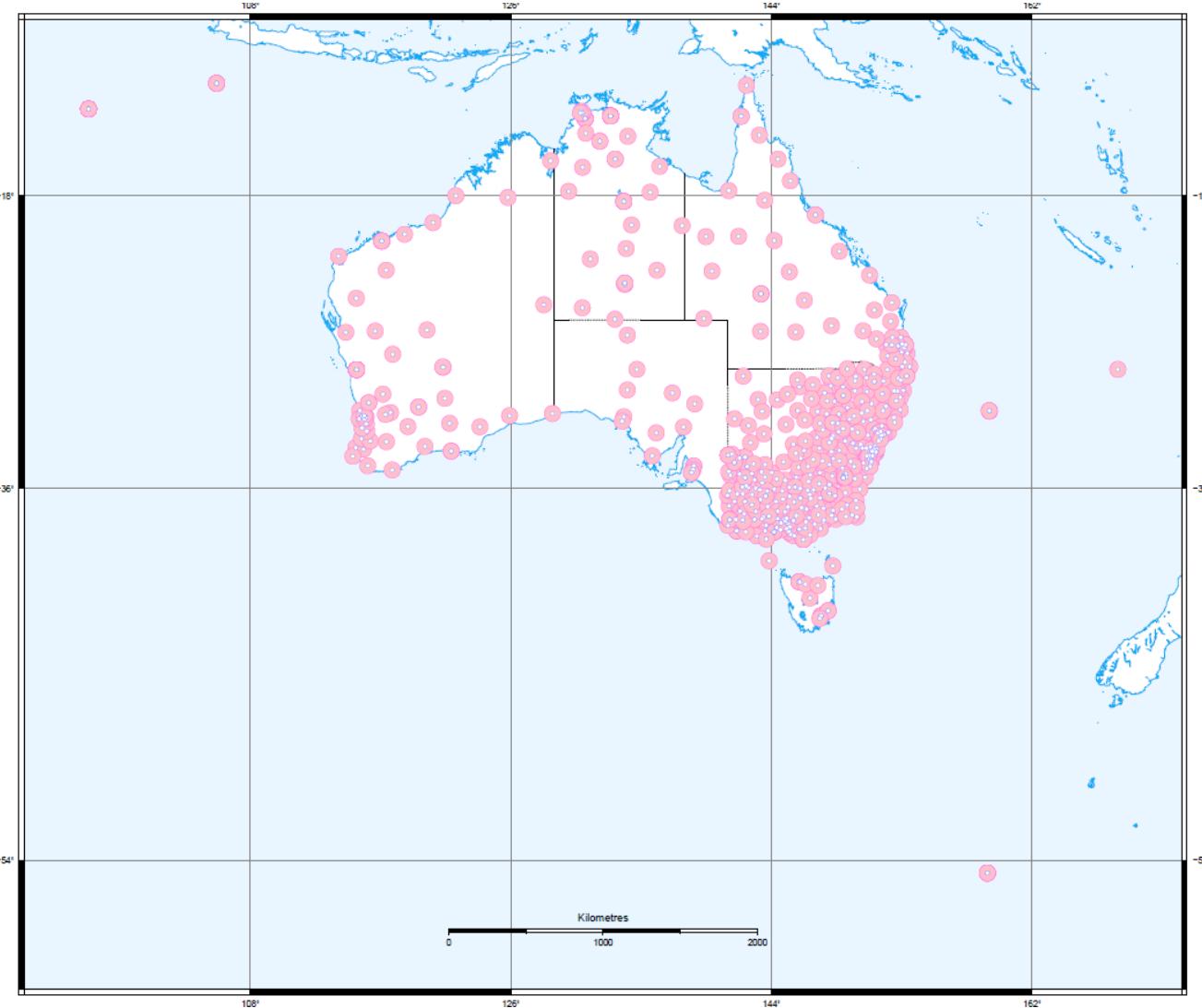


# IGS20 sites



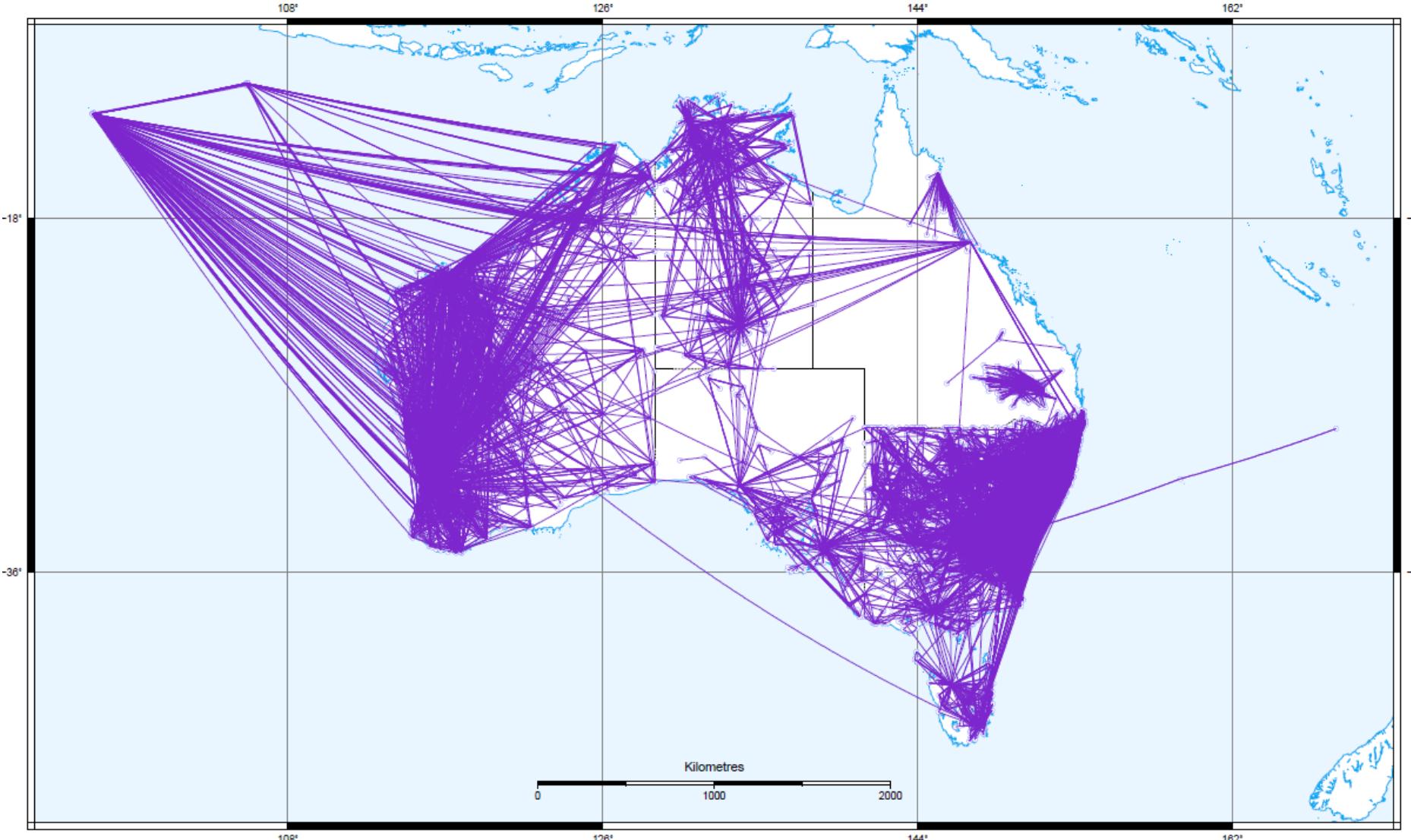
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# Regional Reference Frame (e.g. APREF)



- Continuously estimated from:
  - Weekly solutions combined from daily GNSS analysis
  - Aligned to IGb14
  - Cumulative solution combines weekly solutions from 1994
  - Full variance matrix
  - Provides datum constraint for jurisdiction and national adjustments
- Densification of ITRF in the Asia Pacific region:
  - 726 GNSS CORS total;
  - 488 on AU plate.
- **Only 15 in ITRF2014**

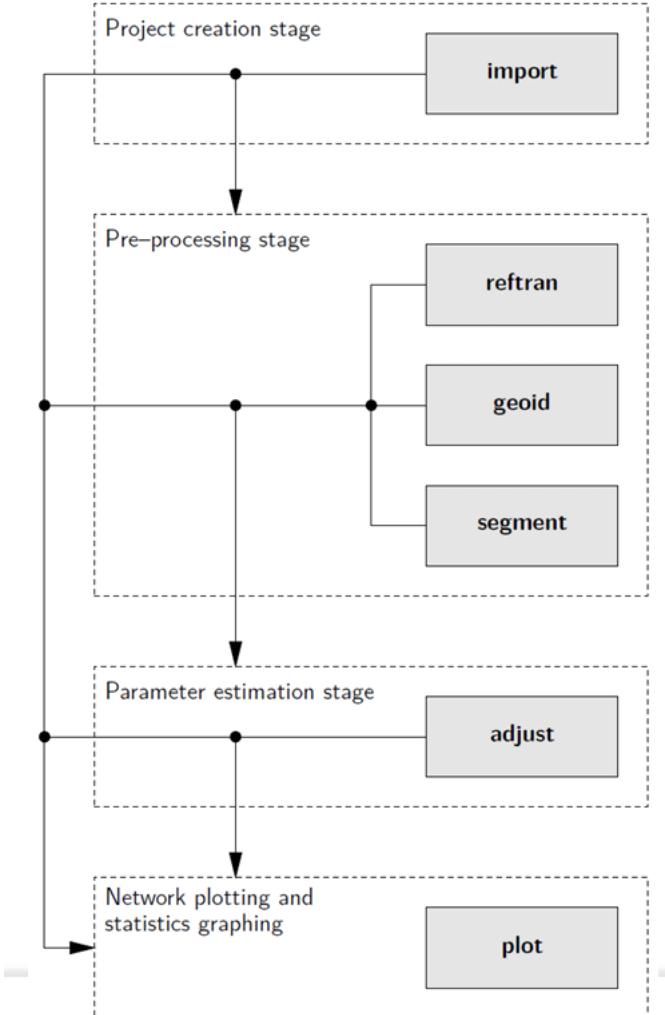
# Campaign archive



- Network backbone
- 6+ hour GNSS observations
- Processed by GA
- 6,092 stations with 11,578 baselines in 3,206 clusters

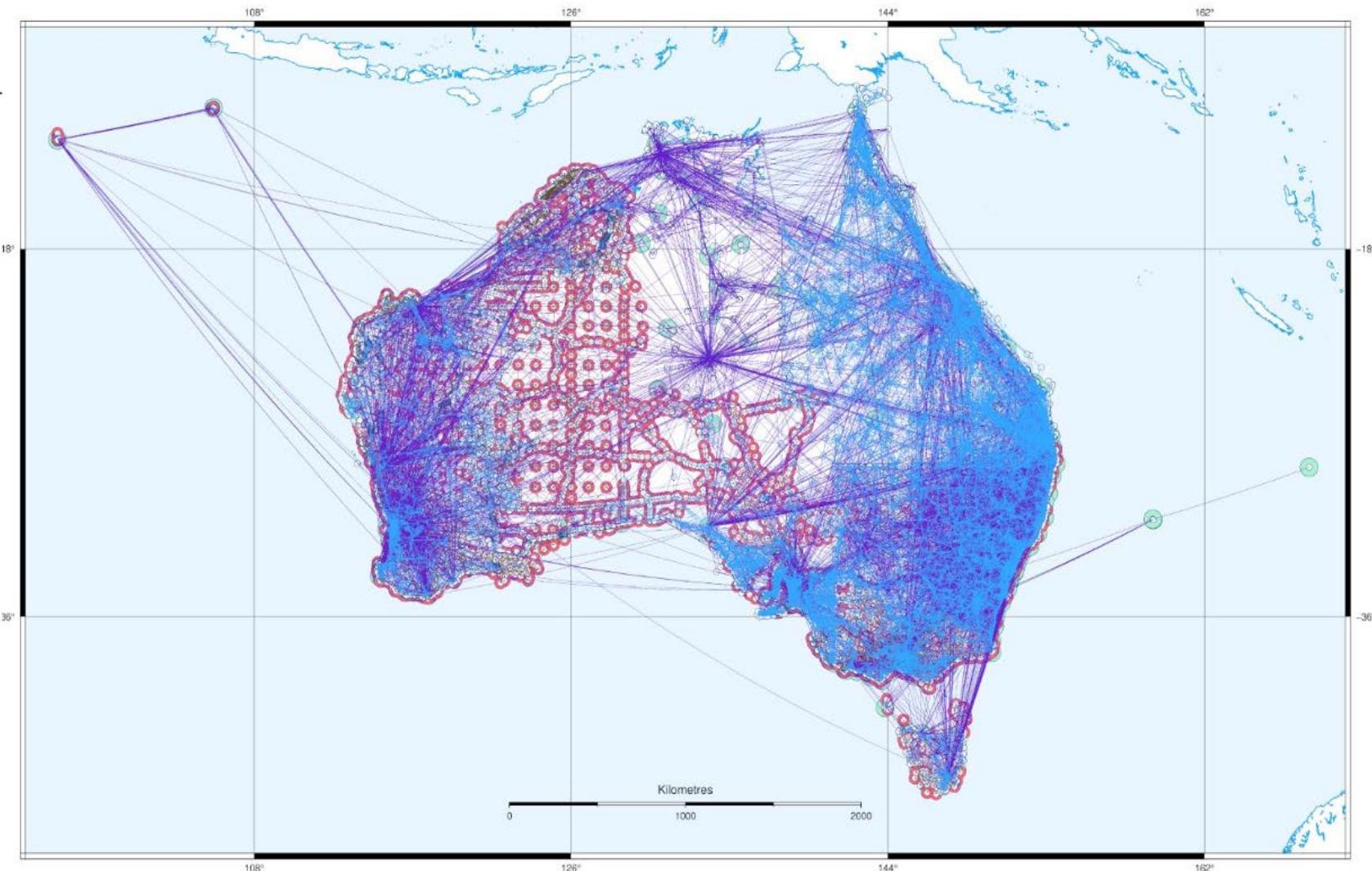
# Fully automated adjustment approach

- Import all data
  - SINEX, GNSS baselines, terrestrial measurements, levelling
- Align stations and measurements to an epoch (e.g. 2020)
  - Datum/frame transformation (ITRF2000,2005,2008,2014)
  - Apply plate motion model if no direct parameters are available
- Apply geoid model to convert orthometric data to ellipsoidal
  - (Gravity) deflections of the vertical
  - Ellipsoid-geoid separations
- Automatic network segmentation
- Parallel or sequential phased adjustment
- Export uncertainties



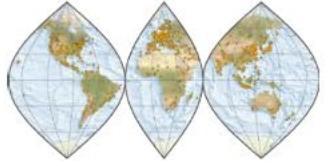
# National adjustment

	<b>Stations</b>	<b>Measurements</b>
<b>333,164</b>		
<b>2,400,419</b>		
1,542	Geodetic azimuth	
132	Astronomic azimuth	
215	Zenith angle	
484,696	Direction set	
201,213	MLS arc	
186,479	Ellipsoid arc	
46,464	Slope distance	
1,171,545	GNSS baseline	
89,175	GNSS baseline cluster	
2,178	GNSS point cluster	
230	Ellipsoid height	
204,178	Orthometric height	
12,372	Level difference	

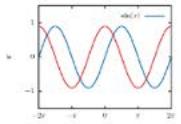


# DynAdjust

## DynAdjust: open source adjustment package



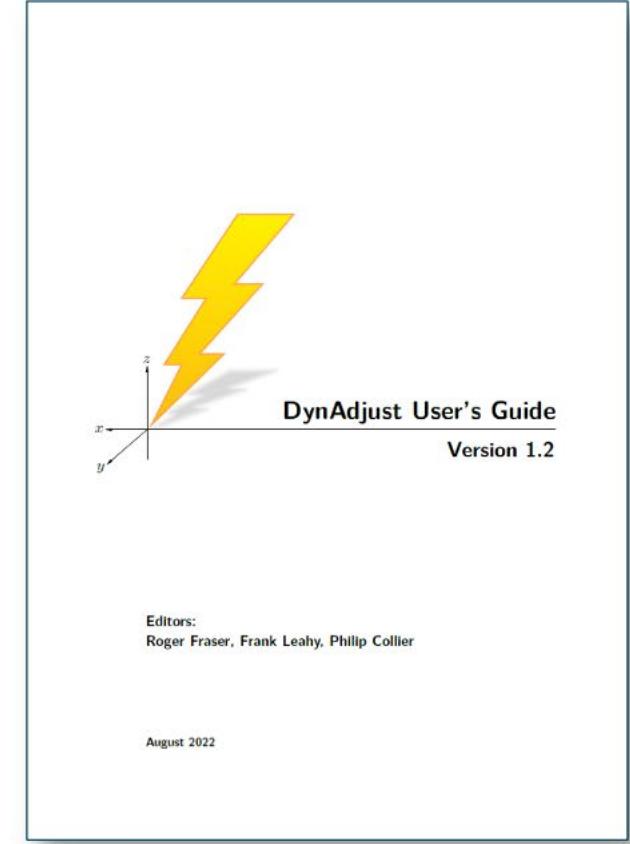
Generic Mapping Tools



gnuplot

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The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for DynAdjust. It includes a list of recent commits, a release section with 'Release 1.2.6 of DynAdjust' from Aug 14, a packages section, a contributors section, and a languages section. A large yellow lightning bolt graphic is overlaid on the page.



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# Resources

- GNSS analysis
  - BERNESE – network GNSS analysis
  - AUSPOS – GPS site analysis <https://www.ga.gov.au/scientific-topics/positioning-navigation/geodesy/auspos>
  - OPUS – GNSS site analysis <https://geodesy.noaa.gov/OPUS/>
- CATREF – combination software
- Geodetic Adjustment
  - DynAdjust (<https://github.com/icsm-au/DynAdjust>)
- Least Squares training presentation
  - Full presentation – [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T5YB\\_1Jppj0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T5YB_1Jppj0) (1hr 42 mins)
  - Chapter 1 – What is Least Squares and why are we using it in DCM? <https://youtu.be/0YkjHsVgGMk> (26 mins)
  - Chapter 2 – Why do we iterate? [https://youtu.be/\\_iFg3Ho\\_cRI](https://youtu.be/_iFg3Ho_cRI) (18 mins)
  - Chapter 3 – Weighting Observations <https://youtu.be/2yQCWbIrQGs> (10 mins)
  - Chapter 4 – Constraints <https://youtu.be/WcwKv-vWUtk> (7 mins)
  - DynAdjust Q&A <https://youtu.be/WZN38NrPBeY>



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