



this occurs, it is highly probable that there is a noisy receiver channel requiring repair or, less likely, a bad satellite being observed.

The two frequencies transmitted by the satellite are received by GeoNav, and the doppler counts received from the two receiver channels are preserved in memory. These data are reduced to refraction counts and compared against preset limits to insure reasonable refraction data. In case the refraction counts are not reasonable, the pass is rejected and the operator alerted that the receiver should be verified for proper operation of the doppler counters. All data are validated automatically in preparation for entering the satellite solution.

The bit majority voting scheme is altered when a satellite injection is detected. In this instance, the system attempts to utilize only data received following the injection to insure that the most current data and the best prediction of the satellite's orbit is used in the position-fix solution. Data received before the injection is ignored and replaced as necessary by extrapolating back based on parameters received after the injection, using curve-fitting techniques. Similar techniques are used to interpolate for parameters which may have been missed due to poor signal quality, fade, etc., or for parameter points at the short doppler intervals selected by the software system. The choice of whether to extrapolate is based on whether the following conditions (arranged in decreasing importance) can be achieved.

- A data set of valid fixed parameters
- A minimum range requiring extrapolation of variable parameters yet still coinciding with the maximum range of good doppler counts