



# ***An overview of the modernized NSRS***

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# Outline

- Four new terrestrial reference frames
- One new geopotential datum
- New Types of Coordinates
- OPUS 6

# Federal Users of the NSRS



# BLUF

***Every latitude, longitude and height you have will be incorrect by as much as 2 meters in CONUS, and 4 meters in Alaska when the modernized NSRS is released in 2025.***

# New Terrestrial Reference Frames

# Replacing NAD 83

## The Old:

NAD 83(2011)

NAD 83(PA11)

NAD 83(MA11)

## The New:

The North American Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022  
(NATRF2022)

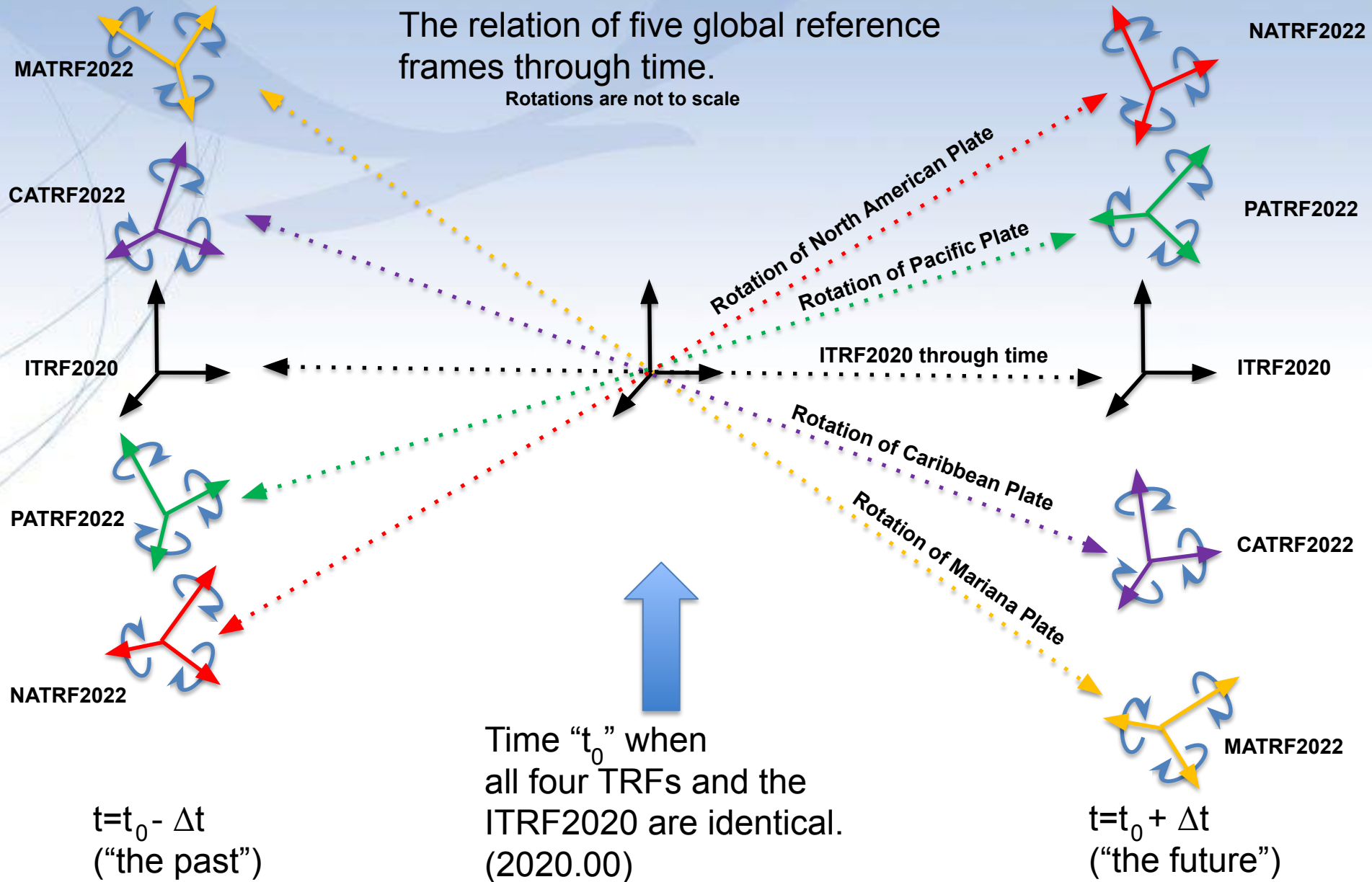
The Caribbean Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022  
(CATRF2022)

The Pacific Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022  
(PATRF2022)

The Mariana Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022  
(MATRF2022)

# Pre-eminence of XYZ

- All geometric computations/adjustments in the Modernized NSRS will be performed first in **ITRF2020 XYZ**
- Everything else is derived from that...
  - $\phi\lambda h$  in ITRF2020/GRS80
  - $\phi\lambda h$  in NATRF2022, CATRF2022, MATRF2022, PATRF2022
  - XYZ in NATRF2022, CATRF2022, MATRF2022, PATRF2022
  - SPCS2022 in NATRF2022, CATRF2022, MATRF2022, PATRF2022
  - UTM
  - USNG





# New Geopotential Datum

# Replacing NAVD 88

Orthometric Heights

Normal Orthometric Heights

Dynamic Gravity Geoid Undulations Deflections of the Vertical

## The Old:

NAVD 88

PRVD 02

VIVD09

ASVD02

NMVD03

GUVD04

IGLD 85

IGSN71

GEOID12B

DEFLEC12B

## The New:

The North American-Pacific **Geopotential Datum** of 2022 (NAPGD2022)

Will include:

- GEOID2022
- DEFLEC2022
- GRAV2022
- DEM2022
- More

**A HUGE component of this effort is GRAV-D:**

**Gravity for the Redefinition of the American Vertical Datum**

# New Types of Coordinates

# A two-track approach to coordinates

## Reference Epoch Coordinates

- An estimated “snapshot” of entire network
- Every 5 or 10 years
- Similar to NAD 83(2011) epoch 2010.00

## Survey Epoch Coordinates

- Time-dependent!
- Reflects coordinates at time of observation
- Multiple SECs can show changes over time

Re-inventing “Bluebooking” or

**The Modernized OPUS**

AKA

**“OPUS 6”**

Static GNSS



RTK/RTN



Classical



Leveling



Rel. Gravity



RINEX

GDX

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- Upload multiple types of data and multiple files into a single survey project
- Process RINEX into a position (like today's OPUS-S)
- Process RINEX into mark-to-mark vectors

- Process Classical into mark-to-mark angles/distances
- Process Leveling into mark-to-mark ortho. differences
- Process Rel. Gravity into mark gravity
- Combine GNSS, RTK/N, Classical in a Geometric Adjustment
- Combine Classical and Leveling in an Orthometric Adj.
- Adjust Relative Gravity for either gravity or vertical gradients in a Gravimetric Adjustment
- Special settings for "Calibration Base Lines"
- Choose your epoch and frame
- All coordinates returned are "OPUS Coordinates"

**OPUS 6**

- Submit your data to NGS for QA/QC, database loading, and improvement of future passive mark coordinates (RECs and SECs)

Much, much more...

**M-PAGES**

**VERTCON**

**LASER**

**NADCON**

**DDS**

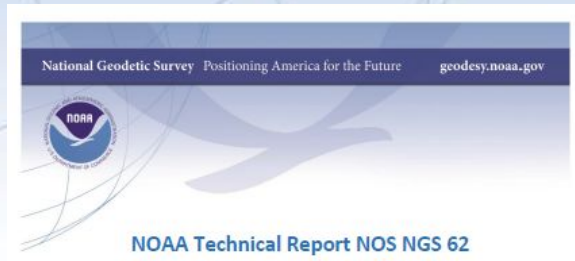
**SPCS2022**

**IFDM2022**

OPUS Recommendations

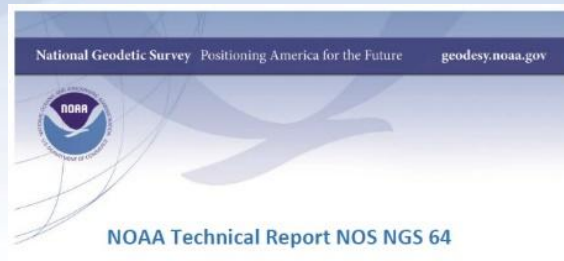
# Modernizing the NSRS

The “blueprint” documents: Your best source for information



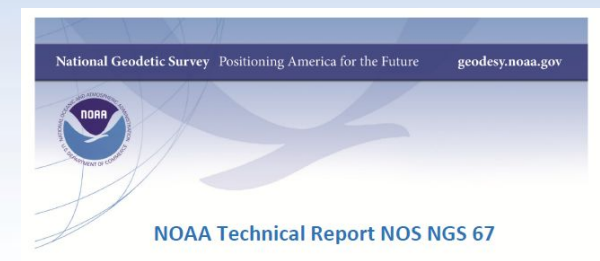
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Blueprint for 2022, Part 2: Geopotential Coordinates



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Blueprint for 2022, Part 3:  
Working in the Modernized NSRS

All three have been updated and were released in early 2021

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# Thank you!

# Questions?