



Calculation of Azimuth, Elevation and Polarization for non-horizontal aligned Antennas

Algorithm Description

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V1.3

Corrected error in the example: Values for latitude and longitude were inverted in the parameter table for the antenna's location. Correct values are now given as longitude=11° and latitude=50°.°

V1.4: Updated satellite table in chapter 2.3 Table of EUTELSAT Satellites and updated formula \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF} on page 12 and formula τ = on page 18.

Errors in Eqs. on p. 12 corrected:

Wrong equations so far:

 $t0 = \operatorname{atand}\left(\frac{a \ \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_z}}{b \ \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_x}}\right)$ $u = \operatorname{atand}\left(\frac{\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_z} + e2^2 \operatorname{sind}^3(t0)}{\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_x} - e2^2 \operatorname{cosd}^3(t0)}\right)$

Corrected equations:

$$t0 = \operatorname{atand}\left(\frac{a \, \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_z}}{b \, sqrtd(\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_x}^2 + \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_y}^2)}\right)$$
$$u = \operatorname{atand}\left(\frac{\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_z} + e2^2 \operatorname{sind}^3(t0)}{sqrtd(\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_x}^2 + \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_y}^2) - e2^2 \operatorname{cosd}^3(t0)}\right)$$

V2.0: new release generated.

V2.1: Updated satellite table in chapter 2.3 Table of EUTELSAT Satellites

V2.2: error correction in text at page 8, numbering formulas Updated satellite table in chapter 2.3 Table of EUTELSAT Satellites, 10.04.2018





V3.0: The paper of B.R.Bowrings *Transformation form spatial to geographical coordinates,* in Survey Review XXIII, p. 181, 1976, is fully considered. Therefore: On page 12 the part

For the calculation of the surface system we require the following two additional values:

$$t0 = \operatorname{atand} \left(\frac{a \, \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_Z}}{b \, sqrtd(\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_x}^2 + \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_y}^2)} \right)$$

$$u = \operatorname{atand} \left(\frac{\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_z} + e2^2 \operatorname{sind}^3(t0)}{sqrtd(\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_x}^2 + \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_y}^2) - e2^2 \operatorname{cosd}^3(t0)} \right)$$

was changed, on 11.02.2019, to

For the calculation of the surface system we require the following two additional values (see B.R.Bowring (1976):

$$t0 = atand \left(\frac{a \, \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_Z}}{b \, sqrtd(\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_x}^2 + \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_y}^2)} \right)$$
$$u = atand \left(\frac{b}{a} \cdot \frac{\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_x} + \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_y}^2 + b \cdot e2^2 \, sind^3(t0)}{sqrtd(\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_x}^2 + \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_y}^2) - a \cdot e1^2 \, cosd^3(t0)} \right)$$





Objective

Many SatCom applications are based on non-stationary terminals e.g. mounted on trucks or vessels. In the general case, the related antenna base is not horizontal whereas the offset angles are measured with adequate inclinometers. These offset angles have to be taken into account when commanding the azimuth, elevation and polarization drives of the non-horizontal terminal. This document presents a numeric algorithm that can calculate the pointing angles for a non-horizontal aligned antenna.

Decision Matrix: Which approach is most suitable for my application?







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1 Mathematical Background

The presented algorithm uses a lot of vector calculus. This chapter gives a short overview of the required basic operations. The reader should consult a mathematics book for a detailed description.

1.1 Matrix rules

$$A := \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \qquad B := \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$
(1-1)

Matrix Transpose:

$$A^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & a_{31} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & a_{32} \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$
(1-2)

Matrix Multiplication:

$$\mathbf{C} := \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\cdot} B$$

$$\begin{split} C[1,1]; &= a_{11} b_{11} + a_{12} b_{21} + a_{13} b_{31} \\ C[2,1]; &= a_{21} b_{11} + a_{22} b_{21} + a_{23} b_{31} \\ C[3,1]; &= a_{31} b_{11} + a_{32} b_{21} + a_{33} b_{31} \\ C[1,2]; &= a_{11} b_{12} + a_{12} b_{22} + a_{13} b_{32} \\ C[2,2]; &= a_{21} b_{12} + a_{22} b_{22} + a_{23} b_{32} \\ C[3,2]; &= a_{31} b_{12} + a_{32} b_{22} + a_{33} b_{32} \\ C[1,3]; &= a_{11} b_{13} + a_{12} b_{23} + a_{13} b_{33} \\ C[2,3]; &= a_{21} b_{13} + a_{22} b_{23} + a_{23} b_{33} \\ C[3,3]; &= a_{31} b_{13} + a_{32} b_{23} + a_{33} b_{33} \end{split}$$

(1-3)

Rotation Matrixes are defined as:

Information: cosd and sind in the following means that cos and sin are calculated using degrees.

$$\overline{R}_{x}(\alpha[^{\circ}]) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos d(\alpha) & -\sin d(\alpha) \\ 0 & \sin d(\alpha) & \cos d(\alpha) \end{bmatrix}$$
(Transformation around the x-Axis) (1-4)
$$\overline{R}_{y}(\alpha[^{\circ}]) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos d(\alpha) & 0 & \sin d(\alpha) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin d(\alpha) & 0 & \cos d(\alpha) \end{bmatrix}$$
(Transformation around the y-Axis) (1-5)





	[cosd(α)	$-sind(\alpha)$	01		
$\overline{R}_z(\alpha[^\circ]) =$	$sind(\alpha)$	cosd(α)	0	(Transformation around the z-Axis)	(1-6)
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Coordinate System definitions:

Any Coordinate System consists of a transform and an origin vector.

Coordinate systems transforms are defined as:

$$\overline{T}_{SystemName_BasisSystemName} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{e_x} & \overline{e_y} & \overline{e_z} \end{bmatrix}$$
(1-7)

were $\overrightarrow{e_x}$ $\overrightarrow{e_y}$ $\overrightarrow{e_z}$ are the three perpendicular unit vectors of the coordinate system. The unit vectors are defined as column vectors. The document uses the following naming convention: A coordinate system transform is always depicted with the capital letter T. The subscript shows the name of the coordinate system as well as the coordinate system wherein it is defined.

In addition every coordinate system has its origin:

 $\vec{r}_{SystemName_BasisSystemName} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$

(1-8)

The document uses the following naming convention: A coordinate system origin is always depicted with the letter r. The subscript naming rules are similar to the rules for coordinate system transforms.

1.2 Vector rules

Vectors are defined as column vectors.

[<i>a</i>] [<i>d</i>]
$ b \qquad y \coloneqq$	e
c	f
	J

Cross Product rule:

$$x \times y = \begin{bmatrix} bf - ce \\ cd - af \\ ae - bd \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} bf - ce \\ cd - af \\ ae - bd \end{bmatrix}$$
(1-10)



2 Numeric Algorithm Description

2.1 Algorithm Overview

The algorithm uses coordinate systems as well as matrix transformations to find the problem solution. The Earth-Centered, Earth-Fixed (ECEF) coordinate system is used as inertial frame. Its XY-Plane is the equatorial plane with X-Axis pointing in longitude 0° direction. The algorithm uses five stages to derive the pointing angles:

- 1. The GEO-Satellite coordinate system is defined in the ECEF coordinate system (multiple variants are feasible)
- 2. The Earth-Surface coordinate system at the antennas position is defined in the ECEF coordinate system (multiple variants are feasible, depending on the required accuracy)
- 3. The GEO-Satellite coordinate system is transformed to the Earth-Surface coordinate system. With this result the pointing coordinate system in the Earth-Surface coordinate system is derived.
- 4. The antenna coordinate system is defined in the Earth-Surface coordinate system
- 5. The pointing coordinate system is transformed to the antenna coordinate system and the Euler angles representing the antennas azimuth, elevation and polarization are calculated

2.2 Parameters

The user needs knowledge of the following parameters to calculate the antenna pointing angles:

Information	Name	Parameter	Unit	Value used in example calculation	Description
GEO Satellite	Long _{sat}	Satellite Position (Longitude)	[°]	7°	Measured positive in east direction. Value is in the range of 0° to 360°
	Lat _{sat}	Satellite Position (Latitude)	[°]	14°	Measured positive in north direction. Value is in the range of 90° to -90° $$
	Pol _{sat}	Polarization Angle (Is Skew Angle for $Lat_{sat} = 0$)	[°]	-22° (Note: For most Eutelsat Satellites the skew angle is 3.535°)	The value is the angle that aligns the Pol-Vector of the satellite antenna with the equatorial plane when rotating around the vector from the satellite center of mass to the earth center. If the Satellite is in the equatorial plane, implying $Lat_{sat} = 0$, this is the angle between the equatorial plane and the polarization direction, being the skew angle.
Antenna Position	Long _{ant}	Antenna Position Longitude	[°]	11°	Measured positive in east direction. Value is in the range of 0° to 360° $$
	Lat _{ant}	Antenna Position Latitude	[°]	50°	Measured positive in north direction. Value is in the range of 90° to -90° $$
	Alt_{ant} or r_{earth}	Antenna Altitude or Earth Radius	[m]	<i>r_{earth}</i> 6378000m	Altitude above mean sea level of the antenna or Earth radius Depends on the chosen earth model (See algorithm step 2 for details)
Antenna Orientation (See Chapter 2.4 Step 4)	Roll _{ant}	Antenna Roll (Prime Inclinometer)	[°]	14°	The prime inclinometer is placed in the rotating part of the station which generates the azimuth movement. It is aligned with the azimuth direction antenna main beam at elevation 0° (See Figure 5 Chapter 2.4) Measured Clockwise
	Pitch _{ant}	Antenna Pitch (Secondary Inclinometer)	[°]	8°	The secondary inclinometer is placed in the rotating part of the station which generates the azimuth movement. It is aligned with the elevation axis (See Figure 5 Chapter 2.4) Measured Clockwise
	IncAz _{ant}	In Plane (Horizon) azimuth angle of the prime Inclinometer	[°]	68°	Defines the angle of the prime inclinometer measured in the earth surface plane (See Figure 5 Chapter 2.4) Measured Clockwise
	Az _{ant me} as	Azimuth offset correction	[°]	52°	Optional when measuring parameters with an initial tracking cycle: Offset of the azimuth axis during measurement. Measured Clockwise (See Chapter 2.4 – Step 4B)



2.3 Table of EUTELSAT Satellites

Please refer to ANNEX 1

Note about the value of the skew of the Eutelsat satellites: The reference X-polarization (horizontal) is defined as that polarization whose plane makes an angle of 93.535° in an anti-clockwise direction, looking towards the earth, about a reference vector with respect to a plane containing this vector and the pitch axis. The reference vector is defined as the vector from the satellite in the direction 0.21° towards West and 6.07° towards north in satellite coordinates. The reference Y-polarization (vertical) is defined as that polarization whose plane is orthogonal to the X polarization plane and the reference vector defined above. In other words the polarization skew angle of the EUTELSAT satellites is +3.535°, clock-wise when looking at the satellite from the subsatellite point, while in the southern hemisphere the polarization skew angle of the EUTELSAT satellites is +183.535°, clock-wise.

2.4 Algorithm Details

Step 1: GEO-Satellite coordinate system

Goal: Define the position and orientation of the Satellite

The position (origin of the GEO-Satellite is calculated with spherical coordinates and is dependent on its radius, the longitude and latitude as (GEO satellite origin in ECEF System):

$$\vec{r}_{GEO_ECEF} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{GEO} * \cos d(Lat_{sat}) * \cos d(Long_{sat}) \\ r_{GEO} * \cos d(Lat_{sat}) * \sin d(Long_{sat}) \\ r_{GEO} * \sin d(Lat_{sat}) \end{bmatrix} (2-1)$$

Example: $r_{GEO} = 42164200m$ $Long_{sat} = 7^{\circ}$ $Lat_{sat} = 14^{\circ}$ $\vec{r}_{GEO_ECEF} = \begin{bmatrix} 4.0606793\,10^7\\ 4.9858871\,10^6\\ 1.0200443\,10^7 \end{bmatrix}$

The GEO satellite coordinate system transform is defined as following: X-Axis is parallel to the nadir (earth center) direction. The X-Axis points away from earth. The Y/Z-Axes are aligned with the polarization planes of the GEO satellite antenna. The matrix results from three rotations: Longitude, Latitude and Polarization (GEO transform in ECEF System):

$$\overline{T}_{GEO_ECEF} = \overline{R}_Z(Long_{sat}) * \overline{R}_Y(-Lat_{sat}) * \overline{R}_X(Pol_{sat})$$
(2-2)= GEO transform in ECEF System
(2-2)

Example: $Long_{sat} = 7^{\circ}$ $Lat_{sat} = 14^{\circ}$ $Pol_{sat} = -22^{\circ}$

$$\overline{T}_{GEO_ECEF} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.993 & -0.122 & 0. \\ 0.122 & 0.993 & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 1. \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 0.970 & 0. & -0.242 \\ 0. & 1. & 0. \\ 0.242 & 0. & 0.970 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 1. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 0.928 & 0.374 \\ 0. & -0.374 & 0.928 \end{bmatrix}$$





$$\overline{T}_{GEO_ECEF} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.962 & -0.122 & -0.240\\ 0.118 & 0.992 & -0.0295\\ 0.242 & 0. & 0.970 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 1. & 0. & 0.\\ 0. & 0.928 & 0.374\\ 0. & -0.374 & 0.928 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\overline{T}_{GEO_ECEF} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.962 & -0.0230 & -0.268\\ 0.118 & 0.931 & 0.345\\ 0.242 & -0.364 & 0.899 \end{bmatrix}$$

Output: The origin vector (\vec{r}_{GEO_ECEF}) and transform (\overline{T}_{GEO_ECEF}) of the Geo-Satellite in the ECEF-Frame



Figure 1: ECEF System and the Satellite System

Step 2: Earth-Surface coordinate system

Goal: Find the position and orientation of the earth surface coordinate system (at the antennas position)

Note: There are several earth models available that can be used for this purpose. Two alternatives are depicted here. First the usage of a spherical earth model that is very easy to handle but





introduces pointing errors up to around 0.8°. Second the WGS84 model that handles the first order gravitational anomalies and is therefore much more accurate but involves more calculation work.

a) Spherical earth model

The antennas position being the earth surface coordinate system origin is calculated using longitude and latitude in spherical coordinates. With the earth radius the position is calculated as following:

$$\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{Earth} * cosd(Lat_{ant}) * cosd(Long_{ant}) \\ r_{Earth} * cosd(Lat_{ant}) * sind(Long_{ant}) \\ r_{Earth} * sind(Lat_{ant}) \end{bmatrix} = \text{Earth Surface origin in ECEF System}$$

(2-3)

Example: $r_{Earth} = 6378000$ Long_{ant} = 50° Lat_{ant} = 11°

$$\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF} = \begin{bmatrix} 4.024376\,10^6 \\ 7.822598\,10^5 \\ 4.885832\,10^6 \end{bmatrix}$$

The earth surface coordinate system transform matrix is constructed from unit vectors. The XY-Plane is parallel to the ground. The Z-Axis points to nadir (earth center) direction. The X-Axis points in the north direction.

$$\overrightarrow{e_{z}}_{ESA_ECEF} = -\frac{\overrightarrow{r}_{ESA_ECEF}}{|\overrightarrow{r}_{ESA_ECEF}|}$$
 is the negative normalized origin vector (2-4)

$$\overrightarrow{e_{y}}_{ESA_ECEF} = \frac{\overrightarrow{e_{z}}_{ESA_ECEF} \times \overrightarrow{e_{z}}_{ECEF_0}}{|\overrightarrow{e_{z}}_{ESA_ECEF} \times \overrightarrow{e_{z}}_{ECEF_0}|}$$
 is perpendicular to the north direction (2-5)

$$\overrightarrow{e_{x}}_{ESA_ECEF} = \frac{\overrightarrow{e_{y}}_{ESA_ECEF} \times \overrightarrow{e_{z}}_{ESA_ECEF}}{|\overrightarrow{e_{y}}_{ESA_ECEF} \times \overrightarrow{e_{z}}_{ESA_ECEF}|}$$
 points to north and completes the orthogonal system (2-6)

$$\overline{T}_{ESA_ECEF} = \left[\overrightarrow{e_{x}}_{ESA_ECEF} \ \overrightarrow{e_{y}}_{ESA_ECEF} \ \overrightarrow{e_{z}}_{ESA_ECEF}\right] = \text{Earth Surface transform in ECEF System}$$
(2-7)

Example:

$$e_{z ESA ECEF} = -\frac{\left[\begin{array}{c}4.02437610^{6}\\7.82259810^{5}\\4.88583210^{6}\end{array}\right]}{\sqrt{\left(4.02437610^{6}\right)^{2} + \left(7.82259810^{5}\right)^{2} + \left(4.88583210^{6}\right)^{2}}} = \begin{bmatrix}-0.631\\-0.123\\-0.766\end{bmatrix}$$





$$e_{y ESA ECEF} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.631 \\ -0.123 \\ 0.123 \\ -0.766 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.123 \\ 0.631 \\ 0 \\ \sqrt{(-0.123)^2 + (0.631)^2 + (0)^2}} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.1913 \\ 0.9815 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e_{x ESA ECEF} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.1913 \\ 0.9815 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} -0.631 \\ -0.123 \\ -0.766 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.7518 \\ -0.1465 \\ 0.6428 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\overline{T}_{ESA_ECEF} = \begin{bmatrix} e_{x ESA ECEF} & e_{y ESA ECEF} & e_{z ESA ECEF} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.7518 - 0.1913 - 0.631 \\ -0.1465 & 0.9815 - 0.123 \\ 0.6428 & 0 \\ 0.6428 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) WGS84 earth model

The earth ellipsoid is used in the calculations to increase accuracy. The calculation requires the values of the major and minor semi-axes of the earth ellipsoid. These values are constants and defined as:

$$a = 6378137.0$$
 $b = 6356752.314$

Additional we require the following values:

$$e1 = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}}{a}$$
 $e2 = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}}{b}$ $n = \frac{a}{\sqrt{1 - e1^2 \sin^2(Lat_{ant})}}$ (2-8)

With the antenna altitude (Height above mean sea level) the position is calculated as following.

$$\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF} = \begin{bmatrix} (n + Alt_{ant}) * cosd(Lat_{ant}) * cosd(Long_{ant}) \\ (n + Alt_{ant}) * cosd(Lat_{ant}) * sind(Long_{ant}) \\ n * (1 - e1^2 + Alt_{ant}) * sind(Lat_{ant}) \end{bmatrix}$$
(2-9)

For the calculation of the surface system we require the following two additional values (see B.R.Bowring (1976):

$$t0 = atand \left(\frac{a \, \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_z}}{b \, sqrtd(\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_x}^2 + \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_y}^2)}\right)$$
(2-10a)

$$u = \operatorname{atand}\left(\frac{b}{a} \cdot \frac{\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_z} + b \cdot e2^2 \operatorname{sind}^3(t0)}{\operatorname{sqrtd}(\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_x}^2 + \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF_y}^2) - a \cdot e1^2 \operatorname{cosd}^3(t0)}\right)$$
(2-10b)

The orientation matrix is constructed from unit vectors. The XY-Plane is perpendicular to the gravitational vector. The Z-Axis points downwards. The X-Axis points in the north direction.





$$\vec{e}_{\vec{z}_{ESA_ECEF}} = -\begin{bmatrix} \cos d(u) * \cos d(Long_{ant}) \\ \cos d(u) * \sin d(Long_{ant}) \\ \sin d(u) \end{bmatrix}$$
is
parallel to the gravitation (2-11)
$$\vec{e}_{\vec{y}_{ESA_ECEF}} = \frac{\vec{e}_{\vec{z}_{ESA_ECEF}} \times \vec{e}_{\vec{z}_{ECEF_0}}}{|\vec{e}_{\vec{z}_{ESA_ECEF}} \times \vec{e}_{\vec{z}_{ECEF_0}}|}$$
is perpendicular to the north direction (2-12)
$$\vec{e}_{\vec{x}_{ESA_ECEF}} = \frac{\vec{e}_{\vec{y}_{ESA_ECEF}} \times \vec{e}_{\vec{z}_{ESA_ECEF}}}{|\vec{e}_{\vec{y}_{ESA_ECEF}} \times \vec{e}_{\vec{z}_{ESA_ECEF}}|}$$
points to north and completes the orthogonal system (2-13)
$$\vec{T}_{ESA_ECEF} = \left[\vec{e}_{\vec{x}_{ESA_ECEF}} \cdot \vec{e}_{\vec{y}_{ESA_ECEF}} \quad \vec{e}_{\vec{z}_{ESA_ECEF}}\right] =$$
Earth Surface transform in ECEF System (2-14)

Output: The origin vector (\vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF}) and transform matrix (\overline{T}_{ESA_ECEF}) of the Earth-Surface coordinate system in the ECEF-Frame



Figure 2: Added Earth Surface System

Step 3: Derive the untilted pointing system





Goal: Find the coordinate system, that describes the correct pointing for the untilted antenna

The GEO-Satellite position and orientation is defined in the ECEF frame (results from step 1). For the calculation of the pointing system we require the GEO-Satellite position and orientation as seen from the earth surface system (results from step 2). Therefore we apply a transformation. Note that all arguments on the right side of the equations have to be defined in the same base system (here ECEF) for the transformation to be valid.

$$\vec{r}_{GEO_ESA} = \overline{T}_{ESA_ECEF}^{T} * (\vec{r}_{GEO_ECEF} - \vec{r}_{ESA_ECEF}) = \text{GEO origin in Earth Surface System}$$
(2-15)
$$\overline{T}_{GEO_ESA} = \overline{T}_{ESA_ECEF}^{T} * \overline{T}_{GEO_ECEF} = \text{GEO transform in Earth Surface System}$$

(2-16)

Example: With the systems from the steps above

 $\vec{r}_{GEO_ESA} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.7518 & -0.1913 & -0.631 \\ -0.1465 & 0.9815 & -0.123 \\ 0.6428 & 0. & -0.766 \end{bmatrix}^{T} * \left(\begin{bmatrix} 4.0606793 & 10^{7} \\ 4.9858876 & 10^{6} \\ 1.0200443 & 10^{7} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 4.024376 & 10^{6} \\ 7.822598 & 10^{5} \\ 4.885832 & 10^{6} \end{bmatrix} \right)$

$$\vec{r}_{GEO_ESA} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.7518 & -0.1465 & 0.6428 \\ -0.1913 & 0.9815 & 0. \\ -0.631 & -0.123 & -0.766 \end{bmatrix}^* \begin{bmatrix} 3.658241710^7 \\ 4.203627910^6 \\ 5.31461110^6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2.470226010^7 \\ -2.872355510^6 \\ -2.767154310^7 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\overline{T}_{GEO_ESA} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.7518 & -0.1913 & -0.631 \\ -0.1465 & 0.9815 & -0.123 \\ 0.6428 & 0. & -0.766 \end{bmatrix}^T * \begin{bmatrix} 0.962 & -0.0230 & -0.268 \\ 0.118 & 0.931 & 0.345 \\ 0.242 & -0.364 & 0.899 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.5857 & -0.3525 & 0.7303 \\ -0.0684 & 0.9201 & 0.3890 \\ -0.8075 & 0.1779 & -0.5619 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now we have the vector from the station to the satellite. Thus we can calculate the range as following:

$$Range = |\vec{r}_{GEO_ESA}| = \sqrt{(r_{x \ GEO_ESA})^2 + (r_{y \ GEO_ESA})^2 + (r_{z \ GEO_ESA})^2}$$
(2-17)

Example:

$$Range = \sqrt{(-2.470226010^7)^2 + (-2.872355510^6)^2 + (-2.767154310^7)^2} = 3.72043863910^7$$

Next the required pointing coordinate system can be derived. The Antenna must point to the GEO satellite and be aligned with the polarization axes of the GEO satellite antenna. The pointing direction is easy to find as it is parallel to the calculated range vector. For the polarization directions: Remember that the Y/Z-Axes of the GEO transform had been chosen parallel to the polarization axes in step 1. Therefore we can use cross product to project the directions. The formulas are:

$$\vec{e_{x_{POINTING}_ESA}} = \frac{\vec{r}_{GEO_ESA}}{Range}$$
 is the normalized vector to the GEO satellite





$$\vec{e_{y}}_{POINTING_ESA} = \frac{\vec{e_{z}}_{GEO_ESA} \times \vec{e_{x}}_{POINTING_ESA}}{\left|\vec{e_{z}}_{GEO_ESA} \times \vec{e_{x}}_{POINTING_ESA}\right|}$$
 is aligned with the polarization plane (2-19)
$$\vec{e_{z}}_{POINTING_ESA} = \frac{\vec{e_{x}}_{POINTING_ESA} \times \vec{e_{y}}_{POINTING_ESA}}{\left|\vec{e_{x}}_{POINTING_ESA} \times \vec{e_{y}}_{POINTING_ESA}\right|}$$
 completes the orthogonal system (2-20)

$$\overline{T}_{POINTING_ESA} = \left[\overline{e_{x_{POINTING_ESA}}} \quad \overline{e_{y_{POINTING_ESA}}} \quad \overline{e_{z_{POINTING_ESA}}}\right]$$
= Pointing transform in Earth Surface System
$$(2-21)$$

Example:

$e_{x \text{ POINTING ESA}} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} -2.470226010^7 \\ -2.872355510^6 \\ -2.767154310^7 \end{bmatrix}}{3.72043863910^7} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.6639 \\ -0.0772 \\ -0.7437 \end{bmatrix}$
$e_{y \text{ POINTING ESA}} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 0.7303\\ 0.3890\\ -0.5619 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} -0.6639\\ -0.0772\\ -0.7437 \end{bmatrix}}{\begin{bmatrix} 0.7303\\ 0.3890\\ -0.5619 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} -0.6639\\ -0.0772\\ -0.7437 \end{bmatrix}} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} -0.3326\\ 0.9161\\ 0.2018 \end{bmatrix}}{\sqrt{(-0.3326)^2 + (0.9161)^2 + (0.2018)^2}} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.3342\\ 0.9205\\ 0.2028 \end{bmatrix}$
$e_{z \text{ POINTING ESA}} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} -0.6639 \\ -0.0772 \\ -0.7437 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} -0.3342 \\ 0.9205 \\ 0.2028 \end{bmatrix}}{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6689 \\ 0.3831 \\ -0.6369 \end{bmatrix}$
$\overline{P}_{POINTING_ESA} = \begin{bmatrix} e_{x POINTING ESA} & e_{y POINTING ESA} & e_{z POINTING ESA} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.6639 - 0.3342 & 0.6689 \\ -0.0772 & 0.9205 & 0.3831 \\ -0.7437 & 0.2028 & -0.6369 \end{bmatrix}$

Output: The pointing matrix ($\overline{T}_{POINTING_ESA}$) in the Earth-Surface System and optional the Range if required







Figure 3: Added Pointing System

Step 4: Antenna coordinate system

Goal: Find the position and orientation of the antenna in the earth surface system

Note: The following chapter gives a detailed insight over the methods and backgrounds required to handle a tilted antenna system. It describes the mathematical backgrounds of a tilted antenna system as well as the details required for error handling and correction. It gives engineering tips that can be applied to improve the antenna system for tilted applications. It states contingency procedures that can be applied to measure or calculate parameters required for antenna calibration and setup. The reader should always bear in mind that step 4 has only one goal: Find the antenna orientation matrix in the earth surface system (\overline{T}_{ANT_ESA}). Once found the algorithm can continue with step 5.





Case A: Untilted antenna system

For the trivial case where the antenna has no tilt and is aligned with the earth surface system (Azimuth=0° is north; Elevation=0° is horizon), the orientation matrix results in the identity matrix

$$\overline{T}_{ANT_ESA} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
(2-22)

The algorithm can continue with step 5.

Case B: Tilted antenna system (Two axis inclinometer solution → Get all pointing angles)

As the three-dimensional-space has three degrees of freedom for rotation, three parameters have to be known (measured) for a complete definition of the antennas orientation. We use two tilts against the horizon and one rotation around the normal vector of the horizontal plane.

Axis definitions:

The two tilt parameters are measured with two inclinometers. Figure 4 below shows the inclinometer system (xyz) located in the earth surface system (XYZ). Turning the inclinometer system around the roll inclinometer axis (x) with the angle $-Roll_{ant}$ aligns the pitch inclinometer axis (y) with the horizon plane (XY). This vector is called the horizon aligned pitch axis (y'). In the same way turning the system around the pitch inclinometer axis (y) with the angle $-Pitch_{ant}$ aligns the roll inclinometer axis (x) with the horizon plane (XY). This vector is called the horizon aligned roll axis (x'). The rotation around the normal vector of the horizontal plane (called the in plane azimuth of the prime inclinometer axis $IncAz_{ant}$) is defined as the angle from the north direction (X) to the horizon aligned roll axis (x').







Figure 4: Earth Surface System and Inclinometer System

Choosing the right inclinometers for tilt measurement:

It is important that both inclinometer axes are perpendicular. The user should prefer the usage of a dual axis inclinometer in one package instead of using two separate inclinometers.



Choosing the correct inclinometer mounting:

The inclinometers are placed in the rotating part of the station which generates the azimuth movement (See Figure 5 below). The inclinometers should be perfectly aligned with the antenna axes. In this case the transformation from the inclinometer system to the antenna system is trivial. The primary inclinometer axis (measuring $Roll_{ant}$) is parallel to the polarization axis at elevation 0° and the secondary inclinometer axis (measuring $Pitch_{ant}$) is parallel to the elevation axis. Misalignment or alternate mounting concepts will require additional workload during antenna setup.







Figure 5: Two-Axis Inclinometer - Mounting on Antenna

Calculating the antenna system:

Keep in mind that the inclinometers are fixed to the moving azimuth part of the antenna. This implies that the inclinometer system is not fixed in the earth surface system. The three parameters that define the inclinometer system ($Roll_{ant}$ Pitch_{ant} IncAz_{ant}) change their values as the antennas azimuth axis is turned. If we measure a set of the three parameters to define the inclinometer system, we also have to remember the corresponding antennas azimuth that was set during the measurement. This parameter is called Az_{ant meas} in the following.

With the four parameters, the orientation matrix of the antenna can be calculated. This is done with four rotations. The first three rotations are used to receive the virtual inclinometer system. It is called virtual as it defines the orientation of the inclinometers bound to the antennas azimuth where the parameters were measured. The fourth rotation corrects the azimuth offset of the antenna, which was present during measurement of the parameters. This is possible as the inclinometer system is aligned with the antenna system. The formulas are:

 $\tau = atand(cosd(Pitch_{ant})tand(Roll_{ant}))$ (Info: As the roll is changed during the pitch rotation it has to be adapted. The new adapted roll is called τ here. See the document analytical details for the derivation)
(2-23)

The Antenna transform in Earth Surface System then reads

$$\overline{T}_{ANT_ESA} = \underbrace{\overline{R}_z(IncAz_{ant}) * \overline{R}_x(\tau) * \overline{R}_y(Pitch_{ant})}_{Inclinometer system (at Azimuth = Az_{ant meas})} * \underbrace{\overline{R}_z(-Az_{ant meas})}_{Azimuth offset correction}$$
(2-24)

= Antenna transform in Earth Surface System





<i>Example:</i> $Roll_{ant} = 14^{\circ}$ $Pitch_{ant} = 8^{\circ}$ $IncAz_{ant} = 68^{\circ}$						
	$Az_{ant meas} = 52^{\circ}$ (Azimuth encoder value during parameter measurement)					
$\tau = 13.8690$	0° (0.2421 rad)					
$\overline{T}_{ANT_ESA} =$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.372 & -0.928 & 0. \\ 0.928 & 0.372 & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 1. \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 1. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 0.971 & -0.240 \\ 0. & 0.240 & 0.971 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 0.990 & 0. & 0.139 \\ 0. & 1. & 0. \\ -0.139 & 0. & 0.990 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 0.616 & 0.788 & 0. \\ -0.788 & 0.616 & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 1. \end{bmatrix}$					
$\overline{T}_{ANT_ESA} =$	$ \begin{bmatrix} 0.372 & -0.901 & 0.223 \\ 0.928 & 0.361 & -0.0893 \\ 0. & 0.240 & 0.971 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 0.990 & 0. & 0.139 \\ 0. & 1. & 0. \\ -0.139 & 0. & 0.990 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 0.616 & 0.788 & 0. \\ -0.788 & 0.616 & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 1. \end{bmatrix} $					
$\overline{T}_{ANT_ESA} =$	$ \begin{bmatrix} 0.337 & -0.901 & 0.273 \\ 0.931 & 0.361 & 0.0406 \\ -0.135 & 0.240 & 0.961 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 0.616 & 0.788 & 0. \\ -0.788 & 0.616 & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 1. \end{bmatrix} $					
$\overline{T}_{ANT_ESA} =$	0.918 -0.289 0.273 0.289 0.956 0.0406 -0.272 0.0415 0.961					



Figure 6: Added (tilted) Antenna System



How to receive a set of parameters using direct measurement (Low accuracy):

- 1. Get the current encoder value of the azimuth stage. This value is the parameter $Az_{ant meas}$. For the rest of the measurement the antenna is not allowed to move.
- 2. Get the measurement values of both inclinometers. These are the values ${\rm Pitch}_{\rm ant}$ and ${\rm and}\,{\rm Roll}_{\rm ant}$
- 3. Measurement of the parameter IncAz_{ant} can be accomplished with a compass. As this approach has a low accuracy it is only applicable for rough initial tracking. The measurement is performed as following: Put the compass on top of the inclinometer. Hold the compass as good as possible aligned with the horizon. For an analog compass turn the north position to the compass needle. Now read the angle between north and primary inclinometer axis. The angle is measured from north to east and is in the range of 0° to 360°. This is the value of IncAz_{ant}
- 4. Your parameter set is now complete.

How to receive a set of parameters using an initial tracing cycle (Preferred method):

- 1. Point the antenna to a known satellite using auto tracking. The antenna should now point to maximum beacon.
- 2. Measure the encoder value of the azimuth stage. This value is the parameter $Az_{ant meas}$. For the rest of the measurement the antenna is not allowed to move.
- 3. Get the measurement values of both inclinometers. These are the values ${\rm Pitch}_{\rm ant}$ and ${\rm and}\,{\rm Roll}_{\rm ant}$
- 4. Calculate the antenna azimuth and elevation in case of an untilted antenna. The user could apply step 5 of the algorithm assuming an untilted antenna for this purpose (Using Case A of Step 4). The calculated untilted azimuth and elevation are called A and E here.
- 5. With the four values (A, E, Roll, Pitch) the antenna In-Plane Azimuth of the Prime Inclinometer ($IncAz_{ant}$) can be calculated. This approach is far more accurate as direct measurement. The value calculates to:

 $\tau = atand(cosd(Pitch_{ant})tand(Roll_{ant}))$

$$IncAz_{ant} = 180 - acosd \left(\frac{-cosd(A)\sqrt{\frac{cosd^{2}(\tau) - 1 + cosd^{2}(E)}{cosd^{2}(\tau)}}cosd(\tau) + sind(\tau)sind(E)sind(A)}{cosd(E)cosd(\tau)} \right)$$

$$(2-25)$$

6. Optional: The angle to the horizon around the elevation axis can also be calculated. Comparing this angle to the measurement of the elevation encoder and the pitch measurement gives the elevation offset error of the antenna. The value can be used for additional error correction at the end of step 5.

$$El_{offset} = El_{Encoder} - asin\left(\frac{\sin(E)}{\cos(\tau)}\right) + Pitch_{ant}$$
(2-26)

7. Your parameter set is now complete.

Case C: Tilted antenna system (One axis inclinometer solution → Get only polarization angle)

A single inclinometer mounted on the elevation axis of the antenna and having its measurement axes parallel to the antenna lobe can be used to get the polarization pointing angle for the tilted antenna system. However the correct azimuth and elevation pointing angles for the tilted system must be derived by alternate approaches in this case. (E.g. for small tilt values: Using the untitled pointing angles in combination with an initial tracing cycle)

Choosing the correct inclinometer mounting:

The inclinometer is placed in the moving elevation part of the station (See Figure 7 below). The inclinometer should be perfectly aligned with the polarization (antenna lobe) axis. The 0° direction on the inclinometer must be aligned with the 0° direction of the polarization drive, or the offset must be known for correction.



Figure 7: One-Axis Inclinometer - Mounting on Antenna

The calculated untitled polarization pointing angle can now be corrected by the measured value of the inclinometer when pointing to the target satellite.

Step 5: Pointing angles

Goal: Receive the pointing angles for the antenna

The pointing transform is defined in the earth surface system (results from step 3). For the calculation of the pointing angles we require the pointing transform as seen from the antenna system (results from step 4). Therefore we apply a transformation. Note that all arguments on the right side of the equation have to be defined in the same base system (here ESA) for the transformation to be valid.

$$\overline{T}_{POINTING_ANT} = \overline{T}_{ANT_ESA}^{T} * \overline{T}_{POINTING_ESA} = \text{Pointing transform in Antenna System}$$
(2-27)





Example:

For the untitled system:

$$\overline{T}_{POINTING_ANT} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} -0.6639 & -0.3342 & 0.6689 \\ -0.0772 & 0.9205 & 0.3831 \\ -0.7437 & 0.2028 & -0.6369 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.6639 & -0.3342 & 0.6689 \\ -0.0772 & 0.9205 & 0.3831 \\ -0.7437 & 0.2028 & -0.6369 \end{bmatrix}$$

For the tilted system:

$$\overline{T}_{POINTING ANT} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.918 & -0.289 & 0.273 \\ 0.289 & 0.956 & 0.0406 \\ -0.272 & 0.0415 & 0.961 \end{bmatrix}^{T} * \begin{bmatrix} -0.6639 & -0.3342 & 0.6689 \\ -0.0772 & 0.9205 & 0.3831 \\ -0.7437 & 0.2028 & -0.6369 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\overline{T}_{POINTING ANT} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.4297 & -0.0989 & 0.8975 \\ 0.0861 & 0.9850 & 0.1497 \\ -0.8988 & 0.1416 & -0.4147 \end{bmatrix}$$

Euler angles representing the antenna azimuth, elevation and polarization can be calculated form the pointing matrix:

Notes:

- $\overline{T}_{POINTIN ANT}(3,1)$ means the element in row 3 and column 1 of the pointing matrix (In this example the lower left one).
- The algorithm only works for Elevation < 90°. In the very unlikely case that the elevation is exactly 90° the solution will fail, as Azimuth and Polarization are aligned and the solution is singular. Choosing slightly different parameters in that case will solve this problem.

The two-quadrant atan is used (atan2). It is defined as:

$$atan2(y,x) = 2 \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - x}{y}\right)$$
(2-28)

The angels in degree calculate to:

$$Elevation = -\operatorname{asin}\left(\overline{T}_{POINTING_{ANT}}(3,1)\right) * \frac{180}{\pi}$$
(2-29)

$$Azimut = \operatorname{atan2}\left(\frac{\overline{T}_{POINTING_ANT}(2,1)}{\cos(Elevation)}; \frac{\overline{T}_{POINTING_ANT}(1,1)}{\cos(Elevation)}\right) * \frac{180}{\pi}$$
(2-30)

$$Polarization = \operatorname{atan2}\left(\frac{\overline{T}_{POINTING_ANT}(3,2)}{\cos(Elevation)}; \frac{\overline{T}_{POINTING_ANT}(3,3)}{\cos(Elevation)}\right) * \frac{180}{\pi}$$
(2-31)





Example:

For the tilted system:

 $Elevation = -\operatorname{asin}(-0.8988) * \frac{180}{\pi} = 64.01^{\circ}$ $Azimut = \operatorname{atan} 2\left(\frac{0.0861}{\cos d(64.01)}; \frac{-0.4297}{\cos d(64.01)}\right) * \frac{180}{\pi} = 168.67^{\circ}$ $Polarization = \operatorname{atan} 2\left(\frac{0.1416}{\cos d(64.01)}; \frac{-0.4147}{\cos d(64.01)}\right) * \frac{180}{\pi} = 161.15^{\circ}$

For the untilted system:

 $Elevation = 48.05^{\circ}$

 $Azimut = -173.41^{\circ}$

 $Polarization = 162.27^{\circ}$

Finally the offsets of the encoders can be corrected:

 $Elevation = Elevation + El_{off}$

 $Polarization = Polarization + Pol_{off}$ (If Pol_{off} is known)



Figure 8: Visualization of the sequence when the tilted antenna is pointed to the satellite using the calculated values. The sequence shows how the magenta colored antenna system in stow position (azimuth, elevation, polarization = 0°) gets aligned with the red colored pointing system using the three rotations around azimuth, elevation, polarization with the calculated values. The black colored system shows from left to right: pointing after azimuth rotation (elevation, polarization = 0°); pointing after elevation rotation (polarization = 0°); pointing after polarization rotation = aligned with desired pointing system.





Calculation of Azimuth, Elevation and Polarization for non-horizontal aligned Antennas

Analytic Formulas

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This document presents formulas that can be used to calculate the pointing angles of the antenna.

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1.1 Parameters

The user needs knowledge of the following parameters to calculate the antenna pointing angles:

Information	Name	Parameter	Unit	Value used in example calculation	Description
GEO Satellite	Long _{sat}	Satellite Position (Longitude)	[°]	7°	Measured positive in east direction. Value is in the range of 0° to 360°
	Lat _{sat}	Satellite Position (Latitude)	[°]	14°	Measured positive in north direction. Value is in the range of 90° to -90° $$
	Pol _{sat}	Polarization Angle (Is Skew Angle for $Lat_{sat} = 0$)	[°]	-22° (Note: For most Eutelsat Satellites the skew angle is 3.535°)	The value is the angle that aligns the Pol-Vector of the satellite antenna with the equatorial plane when rotating around the vector from the satellite center of mass to the earth center. If the Satellite is in the equatorial plane, implying $Lat_{sat} = 0$, this is the angle between the equatorial plane and the polarization direction, being the skew angle.
Antenna Position	Long _{ant}	Antenna Position Longitude	[°]	50°	Measured positive in east direction. Value is in the range of 0° to 360° $$
	Lat _{ant}	Antenna Position Latitude	[°]	11°	Measured positive in north direction. Value is in the range of 90° to -90° $$
	Alt _{ant} or r _{earth}	Antenna Altitude or Earth Radius	[m]	r _{earth} 6378000m	Altitude above mean sea level of the antenna or Earth radius Depends on the chosen earth model (See algorithm step 2 for details)





1.2 Table of EUTELSAT Satellites

Please refer to ANNEX 1

Notes:

For precise orbital location refer to Eutelsat ephemeris; regarding value of the skew of the Eutelsat satellites: The reference X-polarization (horizontal) is defined as that polarization whose plane makes an angle of 93.535° in an anti-clockwise direction, looking towards the earth, about a reference vector with respect to a plane containing this vector and the pitch axis. The reference vector is defined as the vector from the satellite in the direction 0.21° towards West and 6.07° towards north in satellite coordinates. The reference Y-polarization (vertical) is defined as that polarization whose plane is orthogonal to the X polarization plane and the reference vector defined above. In other words the polarization skew angle of the EUTELSAT satellites is +3.535°, clock-wise when looking at the satellite from the earth, from anywhere on the meridian (in the northern hemisphere) corresponding to the orbital location of the satellite. In the southern hemisphere the polarization skew angle of the EUTELSAT satellites. In the southern hemisphere the polarization skew angle of the EUTELSAT satellite. In the southern hemisphere the polarization skew angle of the satellite. In the southern hemisphere the polarization skew angle of the orbital location of the satellite.

1.3 Analytical Forumals

1.3.1 Untilted System – General Case – Sperical Earth

This Chapter shows the formulas for calculation of azimuth, elevation and polarization for the general case ($Lat_{sat} \neq 0$). For the derivation of the formulas, see the document on the analytical details.

The two-quadrant atan is used for the calculation (atan2). It is defined as:

$$atan2(y,x) = 2 \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - x}{y}\right)$$

or using cases:

$$\operatorname{atan2}(y, x) = \begin{cases} \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) & x > 0\\ \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + \pi & y \ge 0, x < 0\\ \operatorname{arctan}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) - \pi & y < 0, x < 0\\ +\frac{\pi}{2} & y > 0, x = 0\\ -\frac{\pi}{2} & y < 0, x = 0\\ \operatorname{undefined} & y = 0, x = 0 \end{cases}$$

To simplify the formulas we define:

 $w := Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}$





Azimuth and Elevation can be calculated as following:

$$Range = \sqrt{\left(r_{geo}\cos\left(Lat_{sat}\right)\cos\left(w\right) - r_{e}\cos\left(Lat_{ant}\right)\right)^{2} + r_{geo}^{2}\cos\left(Lat_{sat}\right)^{2}\sin\left(w\right)^{2} + \left(r_{geo}\sin\left(Lat_{sat}\right) - r_{e}\sin\left(Lat_{ant}\right)\right)^{2}}$$

$$Elevation = -\operatorname{asin}\left(-\frac{\cos\left(Lat_{ant}\right)r_{geo}\cos\left(Lat_{sat}\right)\cos\left(w\right) + r_{geo}\sin\left(Lat_{sat}\right)\sin\left(Lat_{ant}\right) - r_{e}}{Range}\right)$$

$$Azimuth = atan2\left(-\frac{r_{geo}\cos\left(Lat_{sat}\right)\sin\left(w\right)}{Range\cos\left(Elevation\right)}, -\frac{r_{geo}\left(\sin\left(Lat_{ant}\right)\cos\left(Lat_{sat}\right)\cos\left(w\right) - \cos\left(Lat_{ant}\right)\sin\left(Lat_{sat}\right)\right)}{Range\cos\left(Elevation\right)}\right)$$

With the arguments x and y as below the polarization can be calculated:

$$y = \cos(Azimuth) \sin(Elevation) (\sin(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}))$$

$$\sin(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w) - \sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w)$$

$$+ \cos(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}))$$

$$+ \sin(Azimuth) \sin(Elevation) (\sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w))$$

$$+ \cos(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w))$$

$$+ \cos(Elevation) (\cos(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w))$$

$$- \cos(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w)$$

$$- \sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}))$$

$$x = -\sin(Azimuth) (\sin(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w))$$

$$- \sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w)$$

$$+ \cos(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}))$$

$$+ \cos(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w)$$

$$+ \cos(Azimuth) (\sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w))$$

$$+ \cos(Azimuth) (\sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w))$$

$$+ \cos(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w))$$

Polarization = atan2(y, x)

Example using the example values from the parameter table:

Elevation = 48.05° Azimuth = -173.41° Polarization = 162.44°

1.3.2 Untilted System – Sperical Earth – Satellite Latitude = 0

This Chapter shows the formulas for calculation of azimuth, elevation and polarization for a satellite at $Lat_{sat} = 0$. The formulas result from a simplification of the general case above. For the derivation of the formulas, see the document on the analytical details.

The two-quadrant atan is used for the calculation (atan2). It is defined as:





$$atan2(y,x) = 2 \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - x}{y}\right)$$

or using cases:

$$\operatorname{atan2}(y,x) = \begin{cases} \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) & x > 0\\ \operatorname{arctan}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + \pi & y \ge 0, x < 0\\ \operatorname{arctan}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) - \pi & y < 0, x < 0\\ +\frac{\pi}{2} & y > 0, x = 0\\ -\frac{\pi}{2} & y < 0, x = 0\\ \operatorname{undefined} & y = 0, x = 0 \end{cases}$$

To simplify the formulas we define:

 $w := Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}$

With $Lat_{sat} = 0$ the formulas from the general case simplify to:

$$Range = \sqrt{\left(r_{geo}\cos(w) - r_{e}\cos(Lat_{ant})\right)^{2} + r_{geo}^{2}\sin(w)^{2} + r_{e}^{2}\sin(Lat_{ant})^{2}}$$

$$Elevation = asin\left(\frac{r_{geo}\cos(w)\cos(Lat_{ant}) - r_{e}}{Range}\right)$$

$$Azimuth = atan2\left(-\frac{r_{geo}\sin(w)}{Range\cos(Elevation)}, -\frac{r_{geo}\sin(Lat_{ant})\cos(w)}{Range\cos(Elevation)}\right)$$

$$y = \cos(Azimuth)\sin(Elevation)\left(-\sin(Lat_{ant})\cos(Pol_{sat})\sin(w)\right)$$

$$+ \cos(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Pol_{sat})) + \sin(Azimuth) \sin(Elevation) (- \sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w)) + \cos(Elevation) \sin(Elevation) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w) + \cos(Elevation) (- \cos(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w)) - \sin(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Pol_{sat})) x = - \sin(Azimuth) (- \sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w))$$

$$+\cos(Lat_{ant})\sin(Pol_{sat})) + \cos(Azimuth)\cos(Pol_{sat})\cos(w)$$

Polarization = atan2(y, x)





1.3.3 Polarization Correction for tilted antenna

If the antenna is tilted the polarization offset can be calculated with the following formula.

Some values have to be measured or calculated prior to using the formula:

Pitchant and Rollant are measured with the antenna pointing to the satellite

 $Pol_{Untilted}$ and $Elevation_{Untilted}$ can be calculated with the formulas for the untilted antenna

The polarization is calculated to:

 $\tau = -atand(cosd(Pitch_{ant})tand(Roll_{ant}))$

$$Pol_{Tilted} = Pol_{Untilted} - acosd \left(\frac{\sqrt{\left(cosd(\tau)\right)^2 - \left(sind(Elevation_{Untilted})\right)^2}}{cosd(Elevation_{Untilted})} \right)}_{Elevation Correction for tilted applications}$$





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Appendix: Analytic Details

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1 Analytical Details

1.1 Adapted Roll

The pitched system shall be derived with rotations. As the roll is changed during the second rotation (pitch) it has to be adapted in the first place. The new adapted roll is called τ here. The following logic is applied to derive it:

After the three rotations:

$$\overline{R}_{x}(\tau) * \overline{R}_{Y}(Pitch_{ant}) * \overline{R}_{x}(-Roll_{ant})$$

the y-axis (Pitch direction) must be aligned with the XY plane.

This is easily solvable symbolically:

$$Rx(a) := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(a) & -\sin(a) \\ 0 & \sin(a) & \cos(a) \end{bmatrix}$$
$$a \rightarrow Matrix(3, 3, \{(1, 1) = 1, (1, 2) = 0, (1, 3) = 0, (2, 1) = 0, (2, 2) \\ = \cos(a), (2, 3) = -\sin(a), (3, 1) = 0, (3, 2) = \sin(a), (3, 3) \\ = \cos(a) \})$$

$$Ry(a) := \begin{bmatrix} \cos(a) & 0 & \sin(a) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin(a) & 0 & \cos(a) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a \rightarrow Matrix(3, 3, \{(1, 1) = \cos(a), (1, 2) = 0, (1, 3) = \sin(a), (2, 1) = 0, (2, 2) = 1, (2, 3) = 0, (3, 1) = -\sin(a), (3, 2) = 0, (3, 3) = \cos(a)\})$$

$$Rz(a) := \begin{bmatrix} \cos(a) & -\sin(a) & 0 \\ \sin(a) & \cos(a) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a \rightarrow Matrix(3, 3, \{(1, 1) = \cos(a), (1, 2) = -\sin(a), (1, 3) = 0, (2, 1) \\ = \sin(a), (2, 2) = \cos(a), (2, 3) = 0, (3, 1) = 0, (3, 2) = 0, (3, 3) \\ = 1\})$$

$$Rg := Rx(\tau) \cdot Ry(p) \cdot Rx(r)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} [\cos(p), \sin(p) \sin(r), \sin(p) \cos(r)], \\ [\sin(\tau) \sin(p), \cos(\tau) \cos(r) - \sin(\tau) \cos(p) \sin(r), \\ -\cos(\tau) \sin(r) - \sin(\tau) \cos(p) \cos(r)], \\ [-\cos(\tau) \sin(p), \sin(\tau) \cos(r) + \cos(\tau) \cos(p) \sin(r), \\ -\sin(\tau) \sin(r) + \cos(\tau) \cos(p) \cos(r)] \end{bmatrix}$$



 $\tau = -\arctan(\cos(p)\tan(r))$

1.2 Prime Inclinometer In-Plane Azimuth form initial tracking

The problem includes the following 7 variables:

- Untitled Antenna Azimuth A; Untitled Antenna Elevation E
- Corrected Antenna Roll (See section above); Antenna Pitch; In-Plane (Earth Surface) Azimuth of the Prime Inclinometer
- Tilted Antenna Azimuth; Tilted Antenna Elevation

The following logic is applied for solving:

The rotations with the untitled A and E have to produce the same pointing vector as the rotations with the tilted A and E and the correct antenna orientation parameters (Roll, Pitch, Azimuth of the Prime Inclinometer).

In detail this means:

$$\overline{R}_z(A) * \overline{R}_Y(-E)$$

and

 $\overline{R}_{z}(\operatorname{IncAz}_{ant}) * \overline{R}_{x}(\tau) * \overline{R}_{y}(\operatorname{Pitch}_{ant}) * \overline{R}_{y}(-\operatorname{Tilted} \operatorname{Elevation})$





Have to produce the same pointing vector (x-Axis)

As the Roll and Pitch are depending on the Azimuth, the knowledge of 4 parameters is required. We choose: Untitled Antenna Azimuth A; Untitled Antenna Elevation E; Antenna Roll; Antenna Pitch

This is easily solvable symbolically:

$$Rx(a) := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(a) & -\sin(a) \\ 0 & \sin(a) & \cos(a) \end{bmatrix}$$
$$a \rightarrow Matrix(3, 3, \{(1, 1) = 1, (1, 2) = 0, (1, 3) = 0, (2, 1) = 0, (2, 2) \\ = \cos(a), (2, 3) = -\sin(a), (3, 1) = 0, (3, 2) = \sin(a), (3, 3) \\ = \cos(a)\})$$

$$Ry(a) := \begin{bmatrix} \cos(a) & 0 & \sin(a) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin(a) & 0 & \cos(a) \end{bmatrix}$$
$$a \to Matrix(3, 3, \{(1, 1) = \cos(a), (1, 2) = 0, (1, 3) = \sin(a), (2, 1) = 0, (2, 2) = 1, (2, 3) = 0, (3, 1) = -\sin(a), (3, 2) = 0, (3, 3) = \cos(a)\})$$

$$Rz(a) := \begin{bmatrix} \sin(a) & \cos(a) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$a \rightarrow Matrix(3, 3, \{(1, 1) = \cos(a), (1, 2) = -\sin(a), (1, 3) = 0, (2, 1)$$
$$= \sin(a), (2, 2) = \cos(a), (2, 3) = 0, (3, 1) = 0, (3, 2) = 0, (3, 3)$$
$$= 1\})$$

 $\tau = -\arctan(\cos(p)\tan(r))$ (See the section on the adapted roll)

$$Rq := Rz(\alpha) \cdot Rx(\tau) \cdot Ry(p-e) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha)\cos(e-p) + \sin(\alpha)\sin(\tau)\sin(e-p)\\\sin(\alpha)\cos(e-p) - \cos(\alpha)\sin(\tau)\sin(e-p)\\\cos(\tau)\sin(e-p) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Rs := Rz(A) \cdot Ry(-E) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(A)\cos(E)\\\sin(A)\cos(E)\\\sin(E) \end{bmatrix}$$

R := Rq - Rs





$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha)\cos(e-p) + \sin(\alpha)\sin(\tau)\sin(e-p) - \cos(A)\cos(E)\\ \sin(\alpha)\cos(e-p) - \cos(\alpha)\sin(\tau)\sin(e-p) - \sin(A)\cos(E)\\ \cos(\tau)\sin(e-p) - \sin(E) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R2 := isolate(R[2], \sin(\alpha))$$

$$\sin(\alpha) = \frac{\cos(\alpha)\sin(\tau)\sin(e-p) + \sin(A)\cos(E)}{\cos(e-p)}$$

$$R1 := subs(R2, R[1])$$

$$\cos(\alpha)\cos(e-p)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\cos(e-p)}((\cos(\alpha)\sin(\tau)\sin(e-p))$$

$$+ \sin(A)\cos(E))\sin(\tau)\sin(e-p) - \cos(A)\cos(E)$$

isolate($R1, \alpha$)

$$\alpha = \pi$$

$$- \arccos\left(\frac{1}{\cos(e-p)^2 + \sin(\tau)^2 \sin(e-p)^2} (\cos(E) \left(\frac{1}{\cos(e-p) + \sin(\tau) \sin(e-p) \sin(A)}\right)\right)$$

$$isolate(R[3], e)$$

 $e = \arcsin\left(\frac{\sin(E)}{\cos(\tau)}\right) + p$

$$subs\left(e - p = \arcsin\left(\frac{\sin(E)}{\cos(\tau)}\right), De\right)$$

$$\alpha = \pi - \arccos\left(\left(\cos(E)\left(-\cos(A)\cos\left(\arcsin\left(\frac{\sin(E)}{\cos(\tau)}\right)\right)\right) + \sin(\tau)\sin\left(\arcsin\left(\frac{\sin(E)}{\cos(\tau)}\right)\right)\sin(A)\right)\right) / \left(\cos\left(\arcsin\left(\frac{\sin(E)}{\cos(\tau)}\right)\right)^2 + \sin(\tau)^2\sin\left(\arcsin\left(\frac{\sin(E)}{\cos(\tau)}\right)\right)^2\right)\right)$$

simplify

$$\alpha = \pi$$

$$-\arccos\left(\frac{1}{\cos(E)\cos(\tau)}\right)$$
$$-\cos(A)\sqrt{\frac{\cos(\tau)^2 - 1 + \cos(E)^2}{\cos(\tau)^2}}\cos(\tau)$$
$$+\sin(\tau)\sin(E)\sin(A)$$





1.3 Untilted System – General Case – Sperical Earth

$$Rx(a) := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(a) & -\sin(a) \\ 0 & \sin(a) & \cos(a) \end{bmatrix}$$
$$a \rightarrow Matrix(3, 3, \{(1, 1) = 1, (1, 2) = 0, (1, 3) = 0, (2, 1) = 0, (2, 2) \\ = \cos(a), (2, 3) = -\sin(a), (3, 1) = 0, (3, 2) = \sin(a), (3, 3) \\ = \cos(a)\})$$

$$Ry(a) := \begin{bmatrix} \cos(a) & 0 & \sin(a) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin(a) & 0 & \cos(a) \end{bmatrix}$$
$$a \rightarrow Matrix(3, 3, \{(1, 1) = \cos(a), (1, 2) = 0, (1, 3) = \sin(a), (2, 1) = 0, (2, 2) = 1, (2, 3) = 0, (3, 1) = -\sin(a), (3, 2) = 0, (3, 3) = \cos(a)\})$$

$$Rz(a) := \begin{bmatrix} \cos(a) & -\sin(a) & 0\\ \sin(a) & \cos(a) & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$a \rightarrow Matrix(3, 3, \{(1, 1) = \cos(a), (1, 2) = -\sin(a), (1, 3) = 0, (2, 1)\\ = \sin(a), (2, 2) = \cos(a), (2, 3) = 0, (3, 1) = 0, (3, 2) = 0, (3, 3)\\ = 1\})$$

NormFunc(x) :=
$$\sqrt{x[1]^2 + x[2]^2 + x[3]^2}$$

 $x \rightarrow \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2}$
 $arctan2(y, x) := 2 \arctan\left(\frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - x}{y}\right)$
 $(y, x) \rightarrow 2 \arctan\left(\frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - x}{y}\right)$

$$Rz(\alpha) \cdot Ry(\beta) \cdot Rx(\gamma)$$

$$[[\cos(\alpha)\cos(\beta), -\sin(\alpha)\cos(\gamma) + \cos(\alpha)\sin(\beta)\sin(\gamma), \\ \sin(\alpha)\sin(\gamma) + \cos(\alpha)\sin(\beta)\cos(\gamma)], \\ [\sin(\alpha)\cos(\beta), \cos(\alpha)\cos(\gamma) + \sin(\alpha)\sin(\beta)\sin(\gamma), \\ -\cos(\alpha)\sin(\gamma) + \sin(\alpha)\sin(\beta)\cos(\gamma)], \\ [-\sin(\beta), \cos(\beta)\sin(\gamma), \cos(\beta)\cos(\gamma)]]$$

 $Base := Rz(Long_{ant})$





$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(Long_{ant}) & -\sin(Long_{ant}) & 0\\ \sin(Long_{ant}) & \cos(Long_{ant}) & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ r_{geo} \cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Long_{sat})\\ r_{geo} \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Long_{sat})\\ r_{geo} \sin(Lat_{sat}) \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} r_{geo} \cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Long_{sat})\\ r_{geo} \cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Long_{sat})\\ r_{geo} \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Long_{sat})\\ r_{geo} \sin(Lat_{sat}) \end{bmatrix} \\ \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{split} r_{geo\ base} &\coloneqq algsubs(\sin(Long_{ant})\cos(Long_{sat})) \\ &-\cos(Long_{ant})\sin(Long_{sat}) = \sin(Long_{ant}-Long_{sat}), r_{geo\ base}) \\ &\left[\left[r_{geo}\cos(Lat_{sat})\left(\cos(Long_{ant})\cos(Long_{sat})\right) + \sin(Long_{ant})\sin(Long_{sat})\right) \right], \\ &+\sin(Long_{ant})\sin(Long_{sat}) \right], \\ &\left[-r_{geo}\cos(Lat_{sat})\sin(Long_{ant}-Long_{sat}) \right], \\ &\left[r_{geo}\sin(Lat_{sat}) \right] \end{split}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r_{geo\ base} &\coloneqq algsubs(\cos(Long_{ant})\cos(Long_{sat})) \\ &+ \sin(Long_{ant})\sin(Long_{sat}) = \cos(Long_{ant}-Long_{sat}), r_{geo\ base}) \\ & \left[\begin{array}{c} r_{geo}\cos(Lat_{sat})\cos(Long_{ant}-Long_{sat}) \\ -r_{geo}\cos(Lat_{sat})\sin(Long_{ant}-Long_{sat}) \\ &r_{geo}\sin(Lat_{sat}) \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

 $\begin{aligned} r_{geo\ base} &:= algsubs (Long_{ant} - Long_{sat} = w, r_{geo\ base}) \\ & \begin{bmatrix} r_{geo\ cos}(Lat_{sat})\cos(w) \\ -r_{geo\ cos}(Lat_{sat})\sin(w) \\ r_{geo\ sin}(Lat_{sat}) \end{bmatrix} \\ T_{geo\ ecef} &:= Rz(Long_{sat}) \cdot Ry(-Lat_{sat}) \cdot Rx(Pol_{sat}) \end{aligned}$





$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(Long_{sat}) \cos(Lat_{sat}), -\sin(Long_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ -\cos(Long_{sat}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}), \sin(Long_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ -\cos(Long_{sat}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \end{bmatrix}, \\ \begin{bmatrix} \sin(Long_{sat}) \cos(Lat_{sat}), \cos(Long_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ -\sin(Long_{sat}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}), -\cos(Long_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ -\sin(Long_{sat}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \end{bmatrix}, \\ \begin{bmatrix} \sin(Lat_{sat}), \cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ -\sin(Long_{sat}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \end{bmatrix}, \\ \begin{bmatrix} \sin(Lat_{sat}), \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}), -\cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ -\sin(Long_{sat}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \end{bmatrix}, \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{split} T_{geo\ base} &\coloneqq simplify(LinearAlgebra:-Transpose(Base) \cdot T_{geo\ cef}) \\ & \begin{bmatrix} [\cos(Lat_{sat}) \ (\cos(Long_{ant}) \ \cos(Long_{sat}) \\ &+ \sin(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \\ &- \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \ \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \cos(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ &+ \sin(Long_{ant}) \ \cos(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \sin(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \cos(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \sin(Long_{ant}) \ \cos(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \sin(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \sin(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ &+ \sin(Long_{ant}) \ \cos(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ &+ \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \cos(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ &+ \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ &+ \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Lat_{sat}) \ \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \sin(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \cos(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \cos(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \cos(Long_{ant}) \ \sin(Long_{sat}) \ \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ &- \cos(Long$$

$$T_{geo \ base} := algsubs(\sin(Long_{ant}) \cos(Long_{sat})) - \cos(Long_{ant}) \sin(Long_{sat}) = \sin(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}), T_{geo \ base})$$





$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(Lat_{sat}) (\cos(Long_{ant}) \cos(Long_{sat}) \\ + \sin(Long_{ant}) \sin(Long_{sat})), \\ -\cos(Long_{ant}) \cos(Long_{sat}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ + \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}) \\ - \sin(Long_{ant}) \sin(Long_{sat}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}), \\ -\cos(Long_{ant}) \cos(Long_{sat}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ - \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}) \\ - \sin(Long_{ant}) \sin(Long_{sat}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat})], \\ \begin{bmatrix} -\cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}), \\ \cos(Long_{ant}) \cos(Long_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ + \sin(Long_{ant}) \cos(Long_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ + \sin(Long_{ant}) \sin(Long_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \\ + \sin(Long_{ant}) \sin(Long_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ - \sin(Long_{ant}) \sin(Long_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ + \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Long_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ + \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Long_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ + \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}), \\ - \cos(Long_{ant}) \sin(Long_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ + \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ + \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ + \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}) \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_{geo base} := algsubs(\cos(Long_{ant}) \cos(Long_{sat})) + \sin(Long_{ant}) \sin(Long_{sat}) = \cos(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}), T_{geo base}) [[\cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}), - \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \cos(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat})) + \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}), - \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \cos(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}) - \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat})], [-\cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat})], sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}) + \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}), sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}) + \cos(Pol_{sat}) \cos(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}), sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}) - \sin(Pol_{sat}) \cos(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}), sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat}) - \sin(Pol_{sat}) \cos(Long_{ant} - Long_{sat})], [sin(Lat_{sat}), \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}), \cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat})]]$$

 $T_{geo \ base} := algsubs (Long_{ant} - Long_{sat} = w, T_{geo \ base})$





$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(Lat_{sat})\cos(w), -\sin(Lat_{sat})\sin(Pol_{sat})\cos(w) \\ +\cos(Pol_{sat})\sin(w), -\sin(Lat_{sat})\cos(Pol_{sat})\cos(w) \\ -\sin(Pol_{sat})\sin(w) \end{bmatrix}, \\ \begin{bmatrix} -\cos(Lat_{sat})\sin(w), \sin(Lat_{sat})\sin(Pol_{sat})\sin(w) \\ +\cos(Pol_{sat})\cos(w), \sin(Lat_{sat})\cos(Pol_{sat})\sin(w) \\ -\sin(Pol_{sat})\cos(w) \end{bmatrix}, \\ \begin{bmatrix} \sin(Lat_{sat}), \cos(Lat_{sat})\sin(Pol_{sat}), \cos(Lat_{sat})\cos(Pol_{sat}) \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$r_{esa\ ecef} \coloneqq \begin{bmatrix} r_e \cos(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Long_{ant}) \\ r_e \cos(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Long_{ant}) \\ r_e \sin(Lat_{ant}) \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} r_e \cos(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Long_{ant}) \\ r_e \cos(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Long_{ant}) \\ r_e \sin(Lat_{ant}) \end{bmatrix}$$

 $r_{esa \ base} := simplify(LinearAlgebra:-Transpose(Base) \cdot r_{esa \ ecef}) \\ \begin{bmatrix} r_e \cos(Lat_{ant}) \\ 0 \\ r_e \sin(Lat_{ant}) \end{bmatrix}$

$$e_{z \text{ esa ecef}} \coloneqq -\frac{r_{esa \text{ ecef}}}{r_{e}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\cos(Lat_{ant})\cos(Long_{ant}) \\ -\cos(Lat_{ant})\sin(Long_{ant}) \\ -\sin(Lat_{ant}) \end{bmatrix}$$

NormFunc(
$$e_{z esa ecef}$$
)
 $\left(\cos(Lat_{ant})^2 \cos(Long_{ant})^2 + \cos(Lat_{ant})^2 \sin(Long_{ant})^2 + \sin(Lat_{ant})^2\right)^{1/2}$

simplify symbolic

1

 $check: length \, e_{_X} ok$



$$eytemp \coloneqq \frac{\begin{pmatrix} e_{z esa ecef} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix} \end{pmatrix}}{NormFunc \begin{pmatrix} e_{z esa ecef} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix} \end{pmatrix}}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{\cos(Lat_{ant})\sin(Long_{ant})}{\sqrt{\cos(Lat_{ant})^{2}\sin(Long_{ant})^{2} + \cos(Lat_{ant})^{2}\cos(Long_{ant})^{2}}}{\cos(Lat_{ant})\cos(Long_{ant})} \\ \frac{\cos(Lat_{ant})\cos(Long_{ant})}{\sqrt{\cos(Lat_{ant})^{2}\sin(Long_{ant})^{2} + \cos(Lat_{ant})^{2}\cos(Long_{ant})^{2}}} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

 $e_{y esa ecef} := simplify(eytemp, symbolic)$

$$\frac{-\sin(Long_{ant})}{\cos(Long_{ant})}$$

NormFunc(e_{y esa ecef})

$$\sqrt{\cos(Long_{ant})^2 + \sin(Long_{ant})^2}$$

1

simplify symbolic

check : $length e_y ok$

$$extemp := e_{y \ esa \ ecef} \times e_{z \ esa \ ecef} -\cos(Long_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{ant}) \\ -\sin(Long_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{ant}) \\ \sin(Long_{ant})^2 \cos(Lat_{ant}) + \cos(Long_{ant})^2 \cos(Lat_{ant})$$

 $e_{x esa ecef} := simplify(extemp, symbolic)$

$$-\cos(Long_{ant})\sin(Lat_{ant})$$
$$-\sin(Long_{ant})\sin(Lat_{ant})$$
$$\cos(Lat_{ant})$$

NormFunc(
$$e_{x \ esa \ ecef}$$
)
 $\left(\cos(Long_{ant})^{2} \sin(Lat_{ant})^{2} + \sin(Long_{ant})^{2} \sin(Lat_{ant})^{2} + \cos(Lat_{ant})^{2}\right)^{1/2}$

simplify symbolic 1

check : length e_z ok

 $T_{esa\ ecef} := \left\langle e_{x\ esa\ ecef} \middle| e_{y\ esa\ ecef} \middle| e_{z\ esa\ ecef} \right\rangle$





$$\begin{split} & \begin{bmatrix} -\cos(Long_{ant})\sin(Lat_{ant}), -\sin(Long_{ant}), \\ & -\cos(Lat_{ant})\cos(Long_{ant}) \end{bmatrix}, \\ & \begin{bmatrix} -\sin(Long_{ant})\sin(Lat_{ant}), \cos(Long_{ant}), \\ & -\cos(Lat_{ant})\sin(Long_{ant}) \end{bmatrix}, \\ & \begin{bmatrix} \cos(Lat_{ant}), 0, -\sin(Lat_{ant}) \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \end{split}$$

$$T_{esa \ base} := simplify (Linear Algebra: -Transpose (Base) \cdot T_{esa \ ecef}) \begin{bmatrix} -\sin(Lat_{ant}) & 0 & -\cos(Lat_{ant}) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \cos(Lat_{ant}) & 0 & -\sin(Lat_{ant}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Range := NormFunc(r_{geo \ base} - r_{esa \ base}) \left(\left(r_{geo} \cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(w) - r_e \cos(Lat_{ant}) \right)^2 + r_{geo}^2 \cos(Lat_{sat})^2 \sin(w)^2 + \left(r_{geo} \sin(Lat_{sat}) - r_e \sin(Lat_{ant}) \right)^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r_{geo\ esa} &\coloneqq simplify (LinearAlgebra:-Transpose(T_{esa\ base}) \cdot (r_{geo\ base} \\ -r_{esa\ base})) \\ & \qquad \left[\left[-r_{geo} \left(\sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(w) - \cos(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \right) \right], \\ & \qquad \left[\left[-r_{geo} \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(w) \right], \\ & \qquad \left[-\cos(Lat_{ant}) r_{geo} \cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(w) \\ & \qquad -r_{geo} \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Lat_{ant}) + r_{e} \right] \right] \end{aligned}$$

 $T_{geo\ esa} \coloneqq simplify (LinearAlgebra:-Transpose (T_{esa\ base}) \cdot T_{geo\ base})$





$$\begin{bmatrix} -\sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(w) + \cos(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}), \\ \sin(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w) \\ -\sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w) \\ +\cos(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}), \\ \sin(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w) \\ +\sin(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w) \\ +\cos(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \end{bmatrix}, \\ \begin{bmatrix} -\cos(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w) \\ +\cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w), \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w) \\ +\cos(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w), \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w) \\ -\sin(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w) \end{bmatrix}, \\ \begin{bmatrix} -\cos(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(w) - \sin(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}), \\ \cos(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(w) - \sin(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}), \\ \cos(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w) \\ - \sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}), \\ \cos(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}), \\ \cos(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}), \\ \cos(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w) \\ + \cos(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w) \\ + \cos(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w) \\ - \sin(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w) \\ - \sin(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w) \\ - \sin(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w) \\ - \sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w) \\ - \sin(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w) \\ - \sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T0_{geo esa} := subs(Lat_{ant} = 0, T_{geo esa})$$

$$[[\sin(Lat_{sat}), \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}), \cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat})],$$

$$[-\cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(w), \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w)$$

$$+ \cos(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w), \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w)$$

$$- \sin(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w)],$$

$$[-\cos(Lat_{sat}) \cos(w), \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w)$$

$$- \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w), \sin(Lat_{sat}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w)$$

$$+ \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w)]]$$

$$e_{x \text{ point esa}} \coloneqq simplify \left(\frac{r_{geo esa}}{range} \right)$$





$$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{r_{geo}\left(\sin\left(Lat_{ant}\right)\cos\left(Lat_{sat}\right)\cos\left(w\right) - \cos\left(Lat_{ant}\right)\sin\left(Lat_{sat}\right)\right)}{range} \\ \end{bmatrix}, \\ \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{r_{geo}\cos\left(Lat_{sat}\right)\sin\left(w\right)}{range} \end{bmatrix}, \\ \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{range}\left(\cos\left(Lat_{ant}\right)r_{geo}\cos\left(Lat_{sat}\right)\cos\left(w\right) + r_{geo}\sin\left(Lat_{sat}\right)\sin\left(Lat_{ant}\right) - r_{e}\right) \end{bmatrix}\end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_{polplane\ esa} \coloneqq T_{esa\ base} \cdot Rz(a) \cdot Ry(e)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} [-\sin(Lat_{ant})\cos(a)\cos(e) + \cos(Lat_{ant})\sin(e), \sin(Lat_{ant})\sin(a), \\ -\sin(Lat_{ant})\cos(a)\sin(e) - \cos(Lat_{ant})\cos(e) \end{bmatrix}, \\ [\sin(a)\cos(e), \cos(a), \sin(a)\sin(e)], \\ [\cos(Lat_{ant})\cos(a)\cos(e) + \sin(Lat_{ant})\sin(e), \\ -\cos(Lat_{ant})\sin(a), \cos(Lat_{ant})\cos(a)\sin(e) \\ - \sin(Lat_{ant})\cos(e)] \end{bmatrix}$$

 $e_{y \text{ poldir polplane}} \coloneqq \text{LinearAlgebra:-Transpose}(Rz(Azimuth)) \cdot Ry(Elevation)) \cdot T_{geo \ esa} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1\\0 \end{bmatrix}$



 $\left[\cos(Azimuth)\cos(Elevation)\left(\sin(Lat_{ant})\sin(Lat_{sat})\sin(Pol_{sat})\right)\right]$ $\cos(w) - \sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w)$ $+\cos(Lat_{ant})\cos(Lat_{sat})\sin(Pol_{sat}))$ $+ \sin(Azimuth) \cos(Elevation) (\sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w))$ $+\cos(Pol_{sat})\cos(w))$ $-\sin(Elevation)\left(\cos(Lat_{ant})\sin(Lat_{sat})\sin(Pol_{sat})\cos(w)\right)$ $-\cos(Lat_{ant})\cos(Pol_{sat})\sin(w)$ $-\sin(Lat_{ant})\cos(Lat_{sat})\sin(Pol_{sat}))],$ $[-\sin(Azimuth)(\sin(Lat_{ant})\sin(Lat_{sat})\sin(Pol_{sat})\cos(w)$ $-\sin(Lat_{ant})\cos(Pol_{sat})\sin(w)$ $+\cos(Lat_{ant})\cos(Lat_{sat})\sin(Pol_{sat}))$ $+\cos(Azimuth)(\sin(Lat_{sat})\sin(Pol_{sat})\sin(w)$ $+\cos(Pol_{sat})\cos(w))],$ $\left[\cos(Azimuth)\sin(Elevation)\left(\sin(Lat_{ant})\sin(Lat_{sat})\sin(Pol_{sat})\right)\right]$ $\cos(w) - \sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w)$ $+\cos(Lat_{ant})\cos(Lat_{sat})\sin(Pol_{sat}))$ + $sin(Azimuth) sin(Elevation) (sin(Lat_{sat}) sin(Pol_{sat}) sin(w)$ $+\cos(Pol_{sat})\cos(w))$ $+\cos(Elevation)\left(\cos(Lat_{ant})\sin(Lat_{sat})\sin(Pol_{sat})\cos(w)\right)$ $-\cos(Lat_{ant})\cos(Pol_{sat})\sin(w)$ $-\sin(Lat_{ant})\cos(Lat_{sat})\sin(Pol_{sat}))]]$

 $#Elevation := -arcsin(e_{x \text{ point esa}}[3])$

$$\#Azimuth := arctan2\left(\frac{e_{x \ point \ esa}[2]}{\cos(Elevation)}, \frac{e_{x \ point \ esa}[1]}{\cos(Elevation)}\right)$$

 $e_{y \, poldir \, polplane}[3]$





 $\begin{aligned} \cos(Azimuth) \sin(Elevation) \left(\sin(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \\ \cos(w) &- \sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w) \\ &+ \cos(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \right) \\ &+ \sin(Azimuth) \sin(Elevation) \left(\sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w) \\ &+ \cos(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w) \right) \\ &+ \cos(Elevation) \left(\cos(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w) \\ &- \cos(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w) \\ &- \sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \right) \end{aligned}$

 $e_{y \, poldir \, polplane}[2]$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(Azimuth) &(\sin(Lat_{ant}) \sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w) \\ &- \sin(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w) \\ &+ \cos(Lat_{ant}) \cos(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat})) \\ &+ \cos(Azimuth) (\sin(Lat_{sat}) \sin(Pol_{sat}) \sin(w) \\ &+ \cos(Pol_{sat}) \cos(w)) \end{aligned}$$

 $#Pol := acrtan2(e_{y \, poldir \, polplane}[3], e_{y \, poldir \, polplane}[2])$





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Of Calculation of Azimuth, Elevation and Polarization for non-horizontal aligned Antennas:

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For precise orbital location refer to Eutelsat ephemeris; regarding value of the skew of the Eutelsat satellites: The reference X-polarization (horizontal) is defined as that polarization whose plane makes an angle of 93.535° in an anti-clockwise direction, looking towards the earth, about a reference vector with respect to a plane containing this vector and the pitch axis. The reference vector is defined as the vector from the satellite in the direction 0.21° towards West and 6.07° towards north in satellite coordinates. The reference Y-polarization (vertical) is defined as that polarization whose plane is orthogonal to the X polarization plane and the reference vector defined above. In other words the polarization skew angle of the EUTELSAT satellites is +3.535°, clock-wise when looking at the satellite from the earth, from anywhere on the meridian (in the northern hemisphere) corresponding to the orbital location of the satellite. In the southern hemisphere the polarization skew angle of the EUTELSAT satellites.

EUTELSAT Name	Other Designation	EUTELSAT Code	International Designator	Sat Number (NORAD)	Pol Skew Angle for LP (VO*-1)	Linnear / Circular Polarization
EUTELSAT 133WA	W1R; E28A; E33C	E133WA	01011A	26719U	3.535	LP
EUTELSAT 117 West A	SATMEX 8	E117WA	13012A	39122U	0.000	LP
EUTELSAT 117 West B	SATMEX9	E117WB	16038B	41589U	0.000	LP
EUTELSAT 115 West B	SATMEX 7	E115WB	15010B	40425U	0.000	LP
EUTELSAT 113 West A	SATMEX 6	E113WA	06020A	29162U	0.000	LP
ARSAT 2		ARSAT2	15054B	40941U	0.000	
EUTELSAT 65 West A		E65WA	16014A	41382U	0.000	C & Ku-Band: LP; Ka-Band: CP Q/V - LP (X-Horizontal)
AL YAH 3		AL YAH 3	18012A	43174U	0.000	
Telstar 12 V	Telstar 12 Vantage	TELSTAR-12V	15068A	41036U	0.000	LP; (CP for some non- EUTELSAT capacity)
EUTELSAT 12 West B	Atlantic Bird 2; AB2; New Bird; E8WA	E12WB	01042A	26927U	3.535	LP
EUTELSAT 8 West B	AB2A	E8WB	15039B	40875U	3.535	LP
EUTELSAT 7 West A	AB4R; AB7; AB4A	E7WA	11051A	37816U	3.535	Ku-Band: LP; C-Band: CP
EUTELSAT 5 West A	Atlantic Bird 3; Stellat 5	E5WA	02035A	27460U	0.000	LP
EUTELSAT 3B	Newsat	E3B	14030A	39773U	3.535	LP
EUTELSAT 7A	W3A	E7A	04008A	28187U	3.535	LP





EUTELSAT 7B	E3D; W3D	E7B	13022A	39163U	3.535	LP
EUTELSAT 9B	ESA Data Relay; EDRS-A	E9B	16005A	41308U	3.535	LP
EUTELSAT KA-SAT 9A	KaSAT	KA9A	10069A	37258U	3.535	CP (LP for beacon)
EUTELSAT 10A	W2A	E10A	09016A	34710U	3.535	Ku-Band:LP C-Band: CP
EUTELSAT HOT BIRD 13B	HB8	HB13B	06032A	29270U	3.535	LP
EUTELSAT HOT BIRD 13C	НВ9	HB13C	08065A	33459U	3.535	LP
EUTELSAT HOT BIRD 13E	HB7A; Eurobird 9A; E9A	HB13E	06007B	28946U	3.535	LP
EUTELSAT 16A	W3C	E16A	11057A	37836U	3.535	LP
EUTELSAT 21B	W6A	E21B	12062B	38992U	3.535	LP
EUTELSAT 25B	Es'hail; EB2A	E25B	13044A	39233U	3.535	Ku & DBS Band: LP; Ka-Band: CP
EUTELSAT 28E	ASTRA 2E	E28E	13056A	39285U	0.000	
EUTELSAT 28F	ASTRA 2F	E28F	12051A	38778U	0.000	
EUTELSAT 28G	ASTRA 2G	E28G	14089A	40364U	0.000	
EUTELSAT 33E	HB10; AB4A; E3C; HB13D	E33E	09008B	33750U	3.535	LP
EUTELSAT 36B	W7	E36B	09065A	36101U	3.535	LP
EUTELSAT 36C	EXPRESS AMU1	E36C	15082A	41191U	3.535	LP
Y1B	Yahsat 1B	Y1B	12016A	38245U	0.000	
EUTELSAT 48D	E28B; W2M	E48D	08065B	33460U	3.535	LP
YAMAL 202		YAMAL202	03053A	28089U	0.000	
EUTELSAT 53A	EXPRESS-AM6; EXPRESS-AM22; SESAT 2	E53A	14064A	40277U	0.000	LP
YAMAL 402	2012-070	Yamal402	12070A	39022U	0.000	
EUTELSAT 56A	Express AT1	EXPRESS AT1	14010A	39612U	0.000	СР
EUTELSAT 70B	W5A	E70B	12069A	39020U	3.535	LP
EUTELSAT 140A	EXPRESS AT2	EXPRESS AT2	14010B	39613U	0.000	СР
EUTELSAT 172B		E172B	17029B	42741U	0.000	LP
EUTELSAT 174A	AMC23; GE-23; AMC 23; Worldsat 3; GE 2i; E172A	E174A	05052A	28924U	0.000	LP

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The Beacon Frequencies are showed below:

SAT_CODE	BEACON_DN_CENTRE _FREQ [MHz] Status: 21 August 2019	BEACON_ DN_POL	BEACON_COVERAGE
E133WA	11200.000	Х	Global Beacon
E133WA	11451.091	Х	Beacon
E117WB	11450.500	R	Beacon Ku
E117WA	4198.600	Y	C-band Transmit
E117WA	11700.500	Y	Global
E117WA	12199.300	Х	Global
E115WB	12199.900	L	Ku beacon
E113WA	4198.875	Y	C3-Hemi Transmit
E113WA	11701.500	Х	Global
E113WA	12199.000	Y	Global
E65WA	4799.700	Х	C Band Beacon
E65WA	10949.700	Х	Ku Band Beacon
E65WA	11200.300	Y	Ku Band Beacon
E65WA	19701.000	Х	Ka Band Beacon
TELSTAR-12V	11700.000	Х	Beacon
TELSTAR-12V	11701.000	Y	Beacon
E12WB	11704.000	Х	Global Beacon
E12WB	12500.500	Х	Beacon
E8WB	4199.000	L	C Band Transmit
E8WB	4199.000	R	C Band Transmit
E8WB	11200.500	Х	Ku Band Beacon
E8WB	12501.000	Y	Ku Band Beacon
E7WA	11199.500	Х	Beacon
E5WA	4199.500	L	C Beacon
E5WA	11699.900	Y	Ku Global Beacon
E5WA	12501.000	Х	Ku Beacon
E3B	3625.500	R	C Beacon
E3B	3626.000	L	C Beacon
E3B	11200.200	Х	Ku TCR Horn
E3B	11699.800	Х	Ku TCR Horn
E3B	12500.500	Х	Ku Beacon
E3B	19699.000	Х	Ka Beacon
E7A	11200.000	Х	Global Beacon
E7A	11699.800	Х	Beacon
E7A	21404.000	Х	Ka Beacon
E7B	11201.400	Х	Ku Beacon
E7B	11698.600	Х	Ku Beacon
E7B	12500.500	Х	Ku Beacon
E7B	21402.000	Х	Ka Beacon
KA9A	11700.400	Х	
KA9A	19680.000	Х	





E9B	11701.200	Х	Beacon
E9B	12498.000	Х	Beacon
E10A	2264.625	L	S Band Beacon
E10A	3626.000	R	C Band Beacon
E10A	3626.000	L	C Band Beacon
E10A	10950.200	Х	Ku Band Beacon
E10A	11699.800	Х	Ku Band Beacon
E10A	12501.000	Х	Global Ku Band Beacon
E10A	12501.500	Y	Global Ku Band Beacon
HB13B	11701.000	Х	Beacon
HB13B	12500.500	Х	Beacon
HB13C	11703.400	Х	Beacon
HB13C	12500.000	Х	Beacon
HB13E	11704.000	Х	Beacon
E16A	11200.800	Х	Ku Beacon
E16A	11699.200	Х	Ku Beacon
E16A	12500.000	Х	Ku Beacon
E16A	21401.000	Х	Europe C Transmit
E21B	11200.200	Х	Beacon
E21B	11699.800	Х	Beacon
E21B	12500.000	Х	Beacon
E21B	12500.500	Y	Beacon
E25B	11199.800	Х	Ku Beacon
E25B	11698.600	Х	Ku Beacon
E25B	19699.000	Х	Global Ka Beacon
E25B	20203.000	Х	Global Ka Beacon
E25B	21401.000	Y	Ka Beacon
E28F	11452.000	Y	Beacon
E28G	11452.500	Y	Beacon
E28G	11710.500	Y	Beacon
E28G	12492.000	Х	Beacon
E28F	11711.500	Y	Beacon
E28F	12491.000	Х	Beacon
E28E	11453.500	Y	Beacon
E28E	11707.500	Y	Beacon
E28E	12493.000	Х	Beacon
E33E	11702.400	Х	Beacon
E36B	10950.200	Х	Global Beacon
E36B	11701.200	Х	Global Beacon
E36B	12500.500	Y	Global Beacon
E36B	12501.500	Х	Global Beacon
E36C	11700.200	Х	Ku Band Beacon
E36C	12500.000	Y	Ku Band Beacon
E36C	19690.000	Х	Ka Band Beacon
E48D	11199.500	X	Beacon
E48D	11701.800	Х	Beacon
E53A	11199.500	R	Ku Global





E70B	11199.500	Х	Beacon
E70B	12500.000	Y	Beacon
E70B	12500.500	Х	Beacon
E172B	4198.900	Х	C band beacon
E172B	4199.900	Y	C band beacon
E172B	11200.600	Y	Ku beacon
E172B	12250.100	Х	Ku beacon
E172B	19202.000	R	Ka beacon
E174A	3703.000	Х	
E174A	4199.500	Y	
E174A	11199.000	Х	
E174A	12749.500	Y	
YAMAL402	11459.500	R	Beacon A coverage
YAMAL402	12500.000	R	Beacon B coverage