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## The GPSTk: New Features, Applications, and Changes

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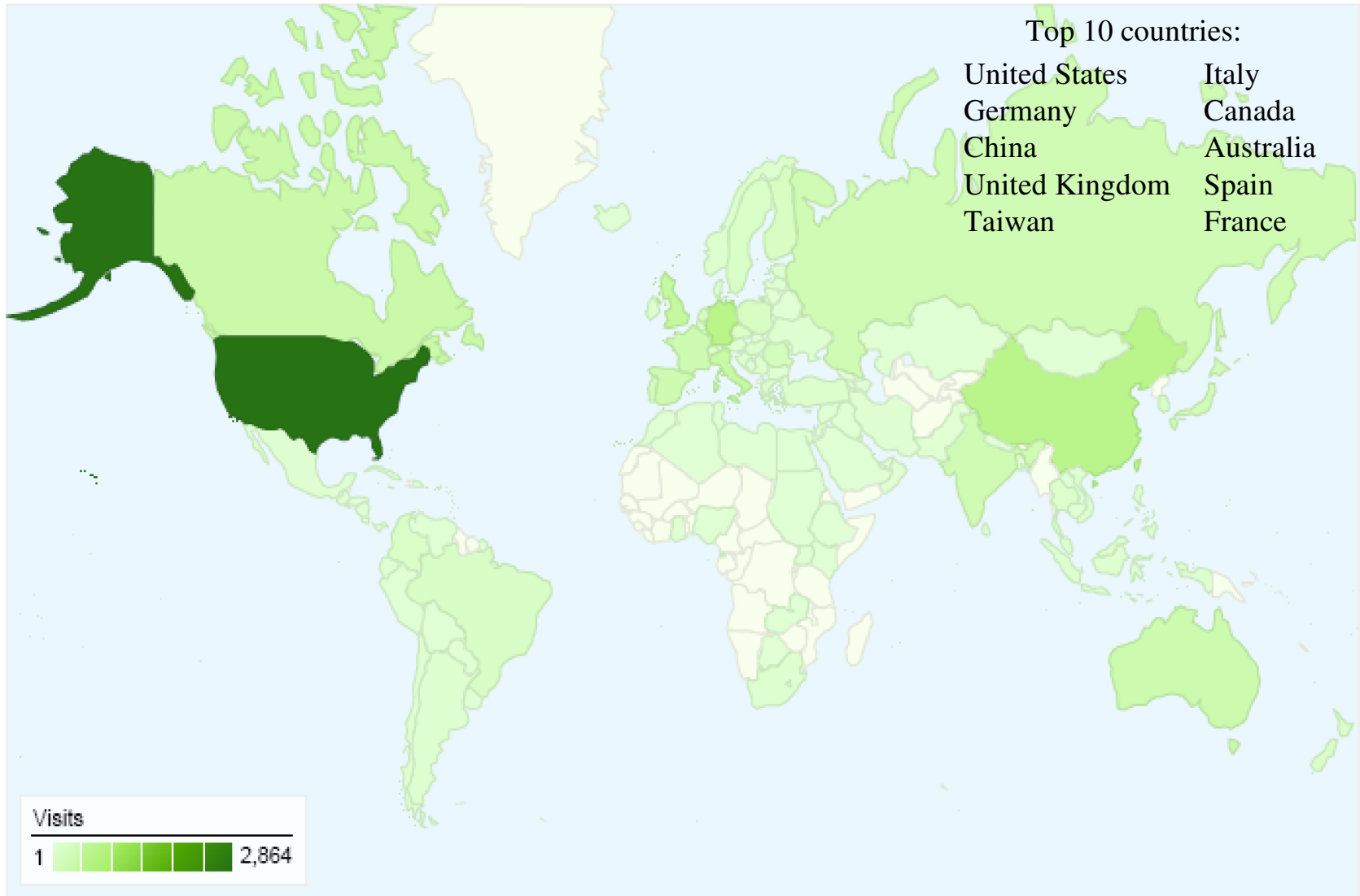
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- ◆ Fundamentals of the GPSTk
- ◆ Web presence
- ◆ Functionality
- ◆ Getting Started
- ◆ Library changes in version 1.3
- ◆ New application: GPS signal tracking simulation
- ◆ Wish list

- ♦ Ultimate goal: free researchers and developers from GNSS algorithm development
- ♦ Design and implementation
  - Core library + Applications
  - Object oriented, ISO standard C++, platform independent → *portable*
  - Version 1.3 contains 200,000 lines of code
    - Estimated value of \$7 million
    - Generated using David A. Wheeler's SLOCCount utility
    - Ver 1.1: 70,000 lines of code
    - Ver 1.2: 150,000 lines of code
- ♦ Released under Lesser GNU Public License, or LGPL
  - You have the right to use, modify and redistribute this code
  - LGPL license is not *viral*, unless
    - You modify the GPSTk to make your derivative work AND
    - You are externally distributing that work
  - The license file in the distribution contains the full license

- ◆ Website at **<http://www.gpstk.org/>**
  - Site is a *wiki* : Users can reprogram the site
  - Features include
    - Equations in LaTeX
    - Revision history
    - Powerful searching
    - Question and answer application
    - Tagging
  - Daily snapshot of library documentation
  - Future goal: port user manual to wiki site
- ◆ SourceForge services provide
  - Download of source or binaries
  - Code repository
  - Access to the developer mailing list
- ◆ IRC channel **#gpstk** at **freenode.net** for developers interaction in real time

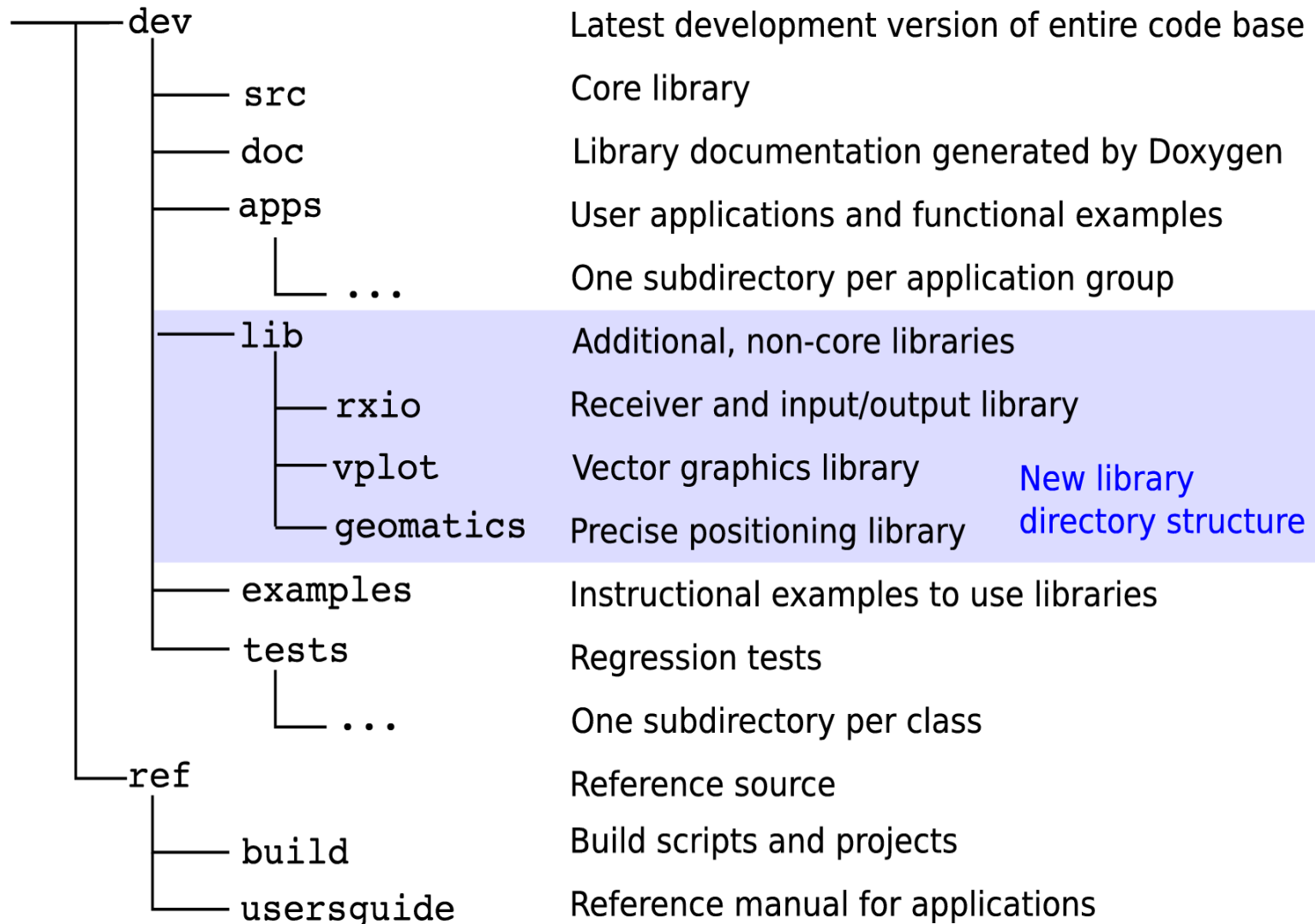
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- ◆ RINEX manipulation
- ◆ Time conversion, manipulation and storage
- ◆ Matrix computation
- ◆ Basic transforms of time and location
- ◆ Precise ephemeris processing
- ◆ Range prediction and error modeling
- ◆ Reference frame computations
- ◆ Statistics
- ◆ Troposphere delay models
- ◆ Earth orientation transforms
- ◆ Expression evaluation
- ◆ FIC processing
- ◆ Almanac processing
- ◆ Low level BINEX input and output
- ◆ Broadcast ephemeris processing
- ◆ Clock models
- ◆ Code generation
- ◆ Cycle slip and discontinuity correction
- ◆ Numerical integration
- ◆ Combinations and difference computations
- ◆ Data structures
- ◆ Navigation solution

- ◆ You can download the stable packages
  - Binaries for Windows 32 bit, Linux x386, Linux x86\_64, Solaris, ...
  - Source
- ◆ You can also get the latest code using Subversion, an open source revision control system
  - To anonymously check out the code base  
**svn checkout <https://gpstk.svn.sourceforge.net/svnroot/gpstk>**
  - To update your code base: **svn update**
- ◆ To build the project
  - Requires the jam utility, which automates compiling and linking
  - Change to the gpstk dev directory and type **jam**.
  - Grab some coffee...
  - **make** can be used as well. Check the website for details.
- ◆ To build the library documentation
  - Requires Doxygen, a utility that generates documentation from code and Graphviz, a package for graphs and visualizations
  - Change to the gpstk dev directory and type **doxygen**
  - Go check your email...

# Code Repository Directory Structure



New library  
directory structure

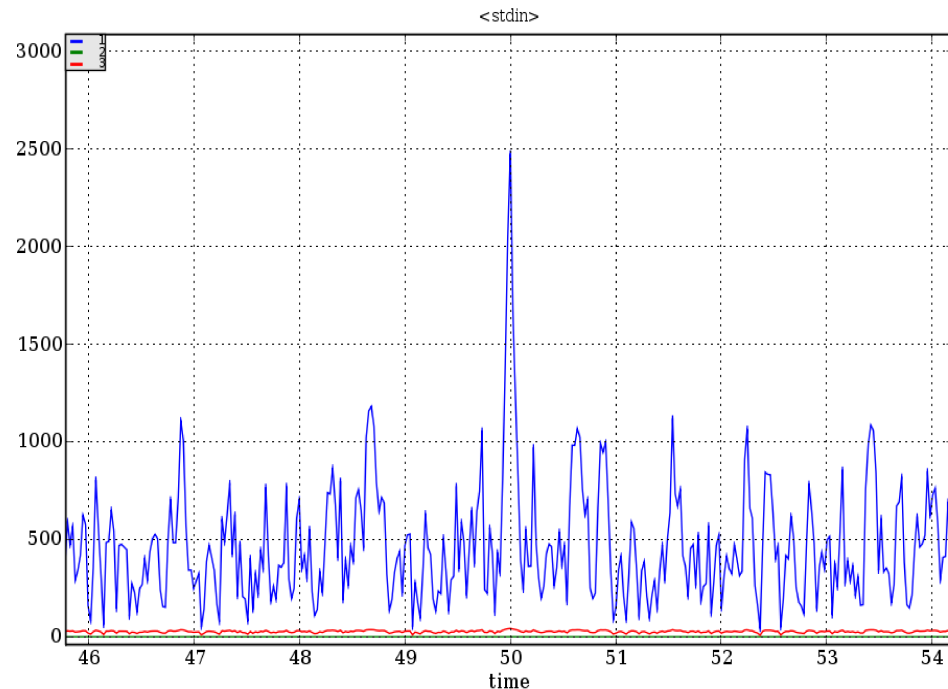
- ◆ Prior 1.3, library data structures supported matrices of observations, or nested maps
- ◆ GNSS Data Structures (GDS) have been added
  - Data structures can be chained to processing objects and vice versa
  - Processing objects can provide smoothing, differences, transformations
  - Successive operations add, modify or remove information to the stream
  - Connection is made using C++ streaming operator >>
- ◆ Examples:

```
gRin >> myFilter >> model >> solver;
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gRin >> myFilter >> model >> baseChange >> solverNEU;
```

```
gRin >> getPC >> getLC >> getLI >> getMW >> markCSLI >>  
markCSMW >> smoothPC >> pcFilter >> modelPC >> mopsW >>  
baseChange >> solverWMS;
```

- ◆ Research tool to simulate tracking GPS signals like a software receiver
- ◆ 1:1 correspondence of hardware elements to classes or applications
  - RF signal
  - Local oscillator
  - Mixer
  - Downconversion
  - Digitization
  - Correlators
- ◆ C/A- and P-Code
- ◆ Applications form a *toolchain*. Example:



```
gpsSim -q 2 -t 2e-3 -c p:1:1:50:0:p | corltr -q 2 -c p:1:1:0:0 | plot
```



- ◆ Macintosh port
- ◆ Replace the GPS stack on the OpenMoko phone (left)
  - Phone is 100% open *except for GPS processing*
  - Funding likely as part of Google's Summer of Code 2008
- ◆ BINEX standard messages, conversion utilities
- ◆ MATLAB (MEX) bindings



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