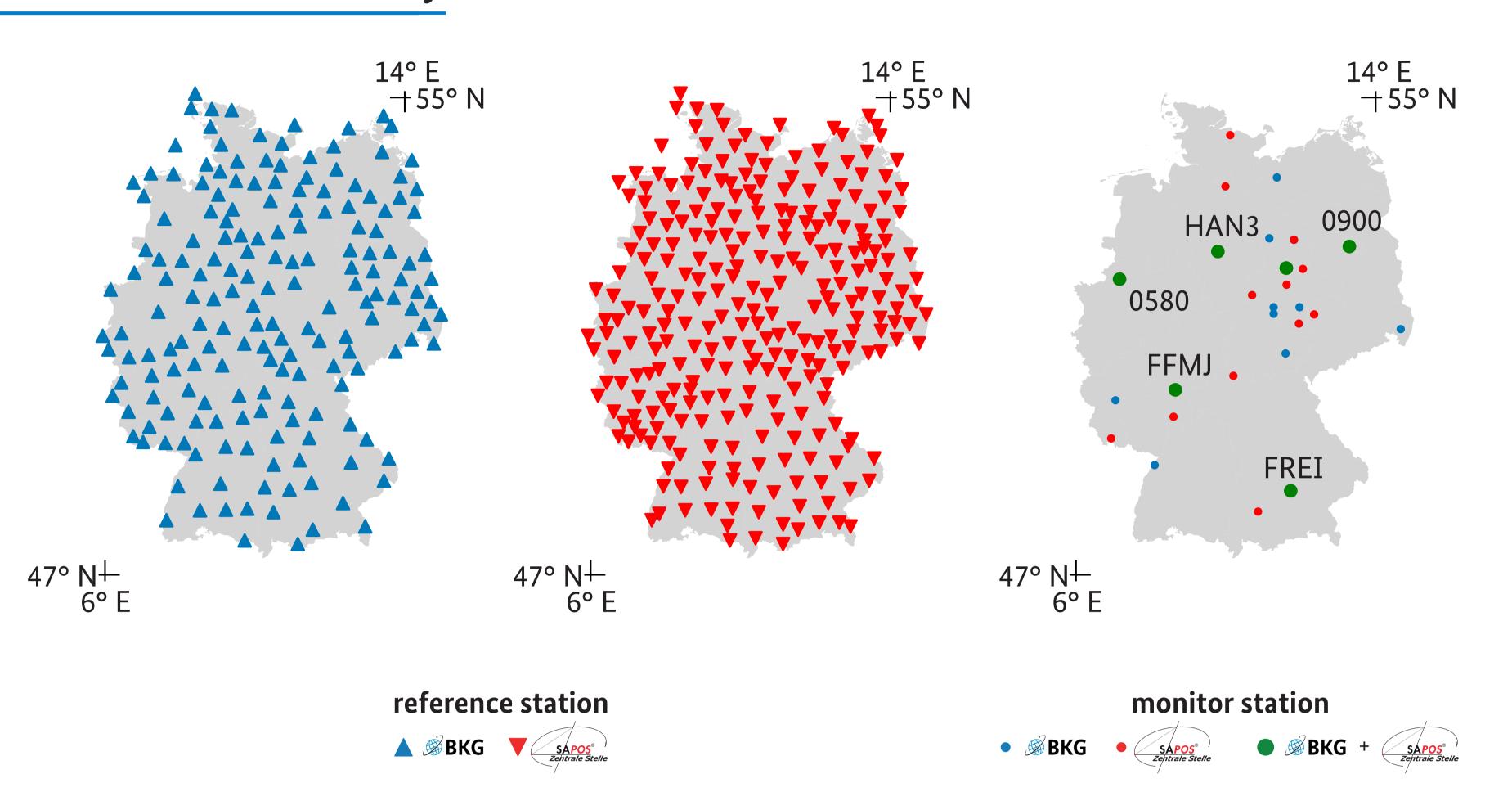
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# Influence of the reference station network on horizontal position accuracy

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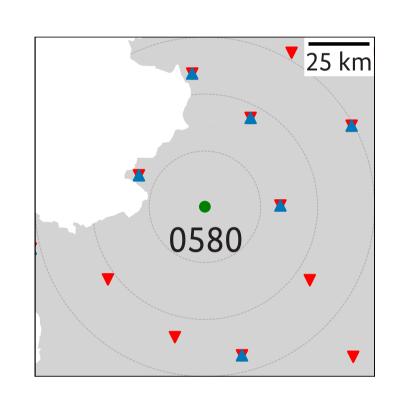
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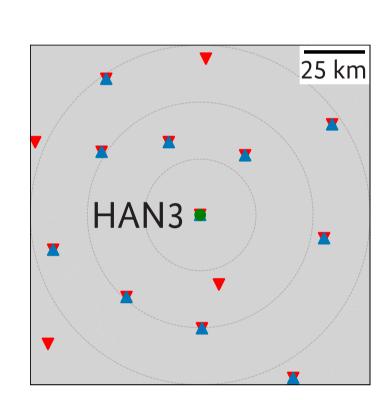
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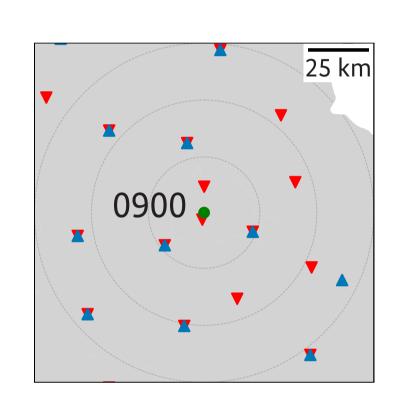


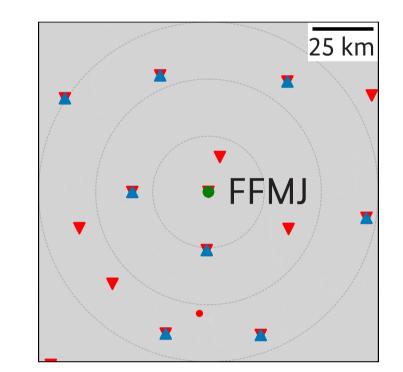
- A **nationwide PPP-RTK service** for Germany is established in collaboration between federal state surveying authorities represented byZentrale Stelle SAPOS® (ZSS) and the Federal Agency for Cartography and Geodesy (BKG).
- The service's reliability is underscored by two independent computing facilities located at BKG and ZSS, both leveraging Geo++® GNSS processing software GNSMART with different reference station networks.
- Ongoing rigorous testing across diverse scenarios ensures comprehensive performance evaluation of the service through a nationwide monitoring network.
- Five monitor stations, with two identical real-time kinematic receivers on a shared antenna, serve as stations for **comparative analyses between service corrections** sourced from BKG and ZSS.

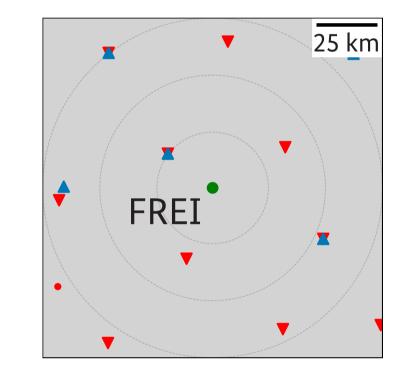
#### Reference station network around selected monitor stations





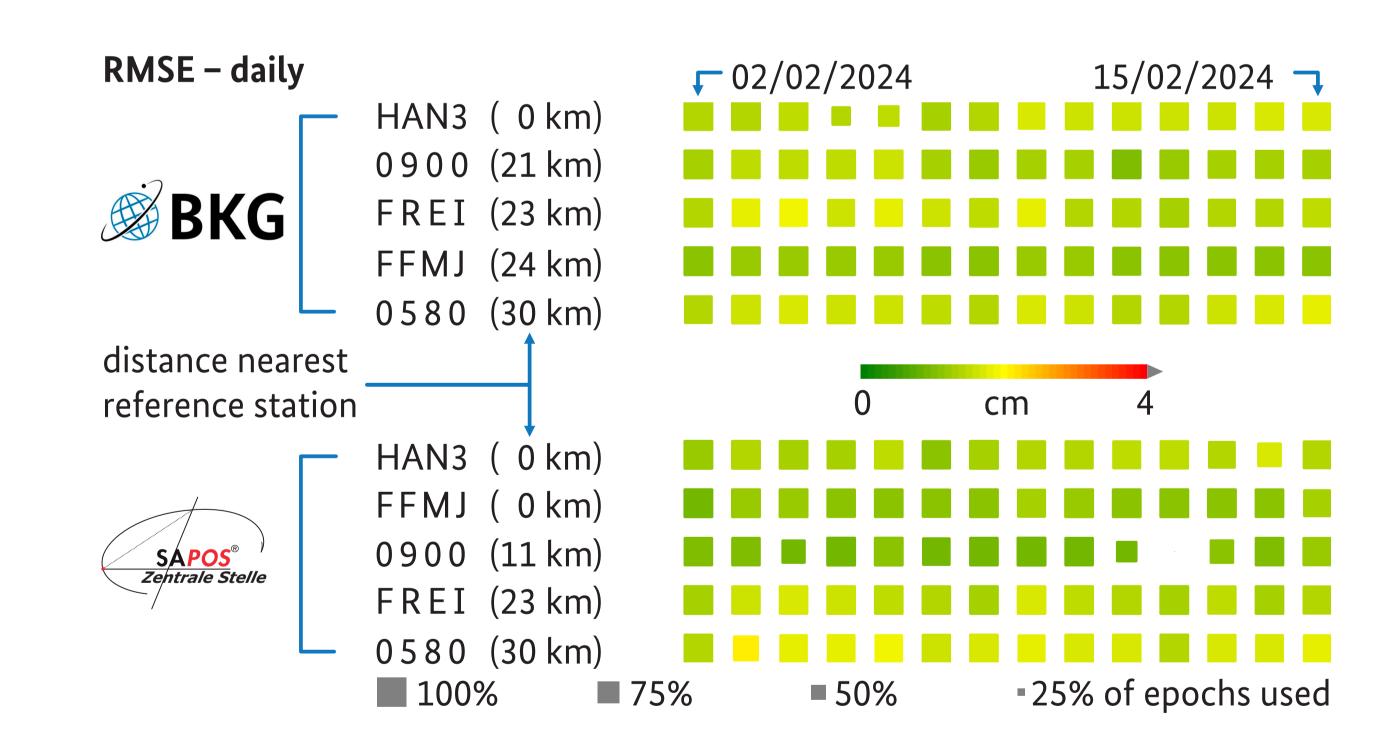


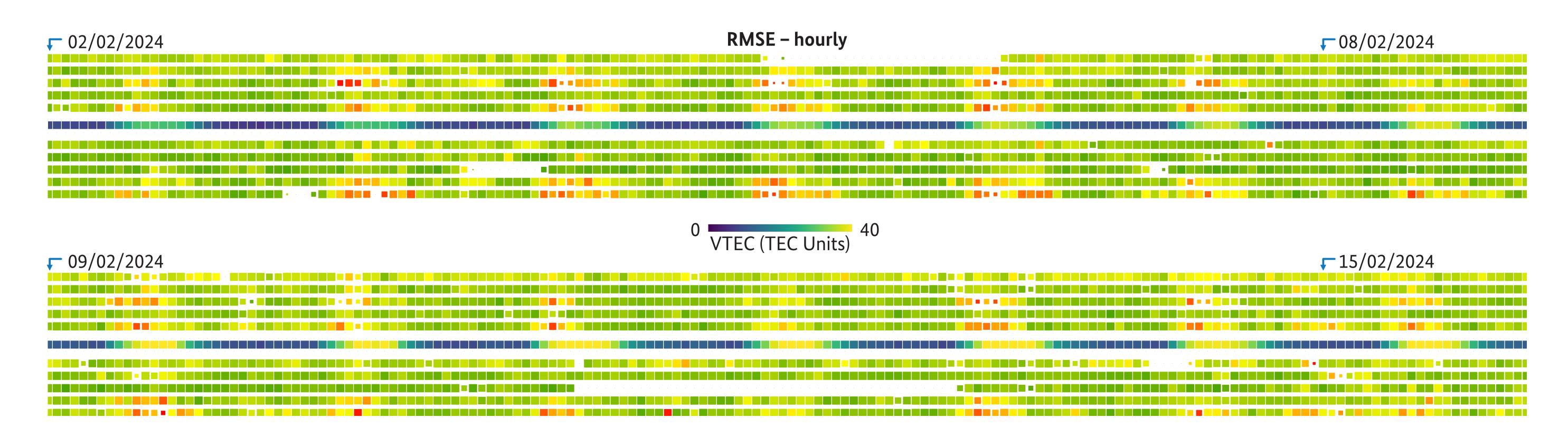




### Results from Test campaign

- A 14-day assessment conducted in February aimed to evaluate the impact of reference station networks on the horizontal position accuracy of these five monitor stations.
- Corrections, computed as state-space representation, undergo conversion into observation space representation before being utilized by monitor receivers for real-time position computation, followed by comparison with reference coordinates.
- Daily and hourly root mean square error (RMSE) metrics providing insights into horizontal position accuracy.
- Graphical representations of daily RMSE values highlight, apart from minor differences,
   consistent position accuracies across both service instances.
- Hourly RMSE values reveal temporary decreases in accuracy during midday, potentially linked to increased ionospheric activity around noon.
- Comparative insights are further enriched by comparing hourly values of vertical total electron content (**VTEC**) from ESA for station FFMJ with hourly RMSE values.
- Notably, the **PPP-RTK service is consistently able to meet predefined accuracy thresholds** established by SAPOS® most of the time.







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