



SPACE GEODESY FOR THE MONITORING OF VOLCANOES AND SURROUNDING HILLS OF AREQUIPA USING THE AREQUIPA STATION AS A REFERENCE



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Project Location



Location: The Characato Observatory / Pedro Paulet Astronomical and Aerospace Research Institute (IAAPP).



Location: Aquisition and Processing of Satellite Data Center (CAPDS)





The study area: Arequipa, city in the South of Peru (1,382,730 pop) and includes the Misti Volcano, and the Chachani and the PichuPichu Volcanic Complex.

Volcano Activity: Fumaroles in the cráter, growing dome concerns.

Arequipa: Located in the volcanic zone of the Andes Mountain range. In the subduction zone between the Nazca and the South American continental plate.

Last Earthquake: 23 June, 2001 - M 8.4 (USGS)







Main Objective: Analyze and Monitor with Space Geodetic Techniques the volcanoes around the city of Arequipa, to determine deformation and risk, using the Arequipa Station as a reference.





LRS SAO-2 1970 to 1990 TLRS-3 1990



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GPS/GNSS UNAVCO 1994 GNSS CNES 2013





The idea: Use Space Geodetic Techniques, with the Arequipa Station as reference.



Photo by John Nakata, USGS.

- The two-color EDM in operation at Parkfield, California. Built in the mid-1970s.
- The magenta light is a combination of red and blue laser light expanded to 20 cm.
- Precision of 0.5–1.0 mm for ranges between 1 and 12 km.
- To measure distances to a 1 mm precision over a 10 km long baseline, or 0.1 part-per-million, the average temperature and pressure along the 10 km path need to be known to be better than 0.1 degrees C and 1 mb.
- However, the two-color EDM measures the travel time of light for two wavelengths, red and blue.
- Because the atmosphere is dispersive, there is a difference in travel time which is a direct function of temperature and pressure.



• The difference in travel time is used to measure the average temperature and pressure in the atmosphere for calculating the index of refraction. With the index of refraction, the distance is computed from the travel time of one of the colors.

https://earthquake.usgs.gov/monitoring/deformation/edm/

Experimental Modeling of ground deformation associated with shallow magma intrusions. Earth and Planetary Science Letters, 317, 145-156. 2012 **O**. Galland. <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/i.epsl.2011.10.017</u>





The tries: Presented Posters in ILRS Workshop.

Laser Ranging and GPS Measurements to Misti, Chachani, Pichu Pichu Volcanoes and Surrounding Hills, and Applications of Precise Positioning to Monitoring of Volcanic Deformation and Seismic Risk. 19th INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON LASER RANGING ANNAPOLIS, MD October 27-31, 2014.

Installation of GNSS receivers and Laser Reflectors in Volcanoes and Hills surrounding the Arequipa Station 21ST ILRS Workshop on Laser Ranging, Canberra, AUSTRALIA. 5-9 Nov. 2018.











Results: Validation of Prototype Targets

LRS Results: Standard Deviations (Considering Refraction Index = 1)

| MIMICO data obtained | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|--|--|
| Target | Parameter | Attemp 1 | Attemp 2 | Attemp 3 | Attemp 4 | Attemp 5 | Comb | | |
| Target A | Mean: | 105.9756m | 105.9756m | 105.9757m | 105.9755 | 105.9754 | 105.9756m | | |
| | S. Deviation: | 4.6mm | 4.6mm | 4.4mm | 3.0mm | 3.8mm | 4.1mm | | |
| | Min: | 105.9576m | 105.9637m | 105.9619m | 105.9646m | 105.9604 | 105.9576 | | |
| | Max: | 105.9919m | 105.9933m | 105.9952m | 105.9850m | 105.9879 | 105.9952 | | |
| Target B | Mean: | 106.0045 | 106.0040 | 106.0043 | 106.0046 | 106.0044 | 106.0044m | | |
| | S. Deviation: | 3.1mm | 2.5mm | 3.7mm | 2.5mm | 2.6mm | 2.9mm | | |
| | Min: | 105.9901m | 105.9994m | 105.9931m | 105.9946m | 105.9984 | 105.9931m | | |
| | Max: | 106.0061m | 106.0130m | 106.0120m | 106.0164m | 106.0130 | 106.0164m | | |

The measured data follows the Gausian Distribution (Considering Refraction Index = 1)





 $d_{rec}^{sat}(t) = \frac{1}{2} * \frac{c}{\mu} * \Delta t_{rec}^{sat} \begin{cases} d_{rec}^{sat}(t): \text{Unidirectional range} \\ c: \text{Speed of light in a vacuum.} \\ \mu: \text{Refractive index of the medium.} \\ \Delta t_{rec}^{sat}: \text{Bidirectional time of flight.} \end{cases}$

GNSS Results: Processed with GAMIT/GLOBK (AREG, AREQ

| reterence) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Doy | 215 | | | 216 | | | | | | | | |
| TARGET | Sn (mm) | Se (mm) | Su (mm) | Sn (mm) | Se (mm) | Su(mm) | | | | | | |
| А | 1.33 | 1.77 | 6.49 | 1.33 | 1.76 | 6.37 | | | | | | |
| В | 1.22 | 1.67 | 6.02 | 1.23 | 1.67 | 5.95 | | | | | | |

TARGET A: Distance vs observation number (Index refraction 1.00021429)







North

1.4

1.4

1.3

Up

5.5

5.7

5.3





Conclusions:



- The GNSS Technique has been applied to determine deformations in the Misti Volcano. No deformation was observed between 2021 and 2022.
- The data of the GNSS system was processed with the Gamit Software, and analyzed with Matlab.
- Topographic and geomorphological studies has been carried out locating monitoring points in the Misti Volcano, Chachani Volcanic Complex, and Pichupichu Volcanic Complex. In total 5 monitoring points are pretended to be build.
- For the installation of the GNSS system and the coupling of the laser reflectors, the design of the pillar has a height of 1.80 m
- The low-cost meteorological station called IAAPP-MET was developed, and its accuracy was compared between the MET-3 and MET-4. We are looking to improve the design or purchase a meteorological station.
- Laser data processing has been carried out using a simplified equation, obtaining a standard deviation of 4 mm, which is typical of the TLRS-3 Systems and a Gaussian distribution.



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