

Space Weather Models

- At or used by ESA or within ESA projects
- · Important models are used elsewhere
- Models also subject to ISO Standardisation process



Engineering Models of the Space Environment

- See ECSS-E-10-04 Standard on Space Environment (see Spenvis)
- Spenvis (www.spenvis.oma.be/spenvis) was established to collect and promote models, tools, data and standard methods
 - Radiation belt (AE8,AP8 CRRESELE,CRRESPRO, SAMPEX,...)
 - solar energetic particles (JPL, MSU,...)
 - cosmic rays CRÈME, MSU
 - charging tools use analytic (e.g. Maxwellian) environments
 - atmosphere MSIS
 - ionosphere IRI



Space Weather and Orbit Determination / Mission Analysis

- Main problem is atmospheric modification due to solar & geomagnetic events
- ESA-ESOC perform orbit analysis based on MSIS (=COSPAR International Reference) model, using F10.7 and Ap (running means and daily) as "proxies" (eventually E10.7)
- Also use a CTIM thermospheric wind model (needs space weather input)
- important for
 - precise orbit determination (e.g. EO missions)
 - prediction of re-entry (e.g. MIR, Skylab,...)
 - space debris population studies
- ESOC provides a "space weather prediction service" based on BGS developed prediction software (e.g. service to Russians for MIR, others...)



Also at ESOC:

- ESOC is responsible for logging anomalies and so interested in automatic warning systems related to space weather hazards[A.Donati/ESOC]]
- ESOC participation in IGS Ionospheric Model development (for ground station applications) [J.Feltens/ESOC]



Ionospheric Models

- IRI general purpose ionospheric model
- for propagation work (B. Arbesser-Rastburg):
 - NeQuick derived from COSTprof profile
 - Bent (1972) basis for GPS- thin shell
 - COSTprof from COST 251 project -profile
- all need SSN or F10.7
- all are weak in auroral conditions



Custom models

- XMM "medium energy particle" analysis based on readily available satellite data ACE, IMP, Equator-S,...
- SEDAT tools can use data to construct "custom models"





