



Interactive Framework to Support Open Model-Data Validation Efforts at the CCMC

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Legacy Validation Campaigns



- **Geospace Environment Modeling (GEM) campaign (2008-2015):**
 - Magnetic Fields in Geosynchronous Orbit, Magnetopause Crossings, Magnetic Perturbations on the Ground, Dst
- **Model Validation to select geospace model for SWPC operations (2010-2012):**
 - Magnetic Perturbations on the Ground, dB/dt on the ground (12 magnetometer locations), Kp
 - Coupled global magnetosphere-ionosphere models, statistical models of dB/dt and Kp
- **Coupling, Energetics and Dynamics of Atmospheric Regions (CEDAR) ETI study (2010-2014):**
 - Neutral and electron densities, TEC
 - Ionosonde locations, 2D global maps
- **Solar Heliospheric and INterplanetary Environment (SHINE) solar coronal and heliosphere modeling (2010-2014):**
 - Modeler submitted data
 - Model-model comparisons; no in-situ observations to compare against.

Capabilities Used



- **Run-on-Request:**

- **1D time series plotting** and data extraction from model runs at the CCMC
 - Satellite trajectory or fixed position; each model run visualized separately
- **2D slices through 2D and 3D outputs**
 - Separate for each run in CCMC online visualization with images aggregated in publications
 - More recently, option to plot (few) similar runs with same time, cut plane location and extent side by side.

- **Dedicated validation tool:**

- **1D timeseries comparison**
 - Compare model results with observations
 - Fixed selection of skill scores calculated (RMS error, Prediction Efficiency, Pearson Correlation, ...)
 - Only one location / satellite orbit at a time.

Comprehensive Analysis of Models and Events based on Library tools (CAMEL)



Goals:

- CAMEL is a Continuous Open Validation Effort
 - Any modeler can submit their model outputs to test how well the model is doing in comparison to other models.
- Use Essential Space Environment Quantities (delta-B, neutral density, fluxes at VAP, geosynchronous orbit, ...)
 - indicative of space weather impacts,
 - can be derived from observational data and model outputs.
- Demonstrate potential of new models and simulation settings
 - improve space weather forecasting capabilities
 - trace progress over time by adding newer model versions or run settings.

Features:

- Continuous development of min-CAMELs supporting International Space Weather Action Teams
 - Thermosphere Model Assessment and Improvement
 - Internal Charging Effects and Relevant Space Environment
 - Ambient Solar Wind Validation
- Metric (Skill Score) and utility metrics thresholds selected from library most relevant for specific applications
- Assessment done based on observation location (local time, dayside/nightside)
- Assessment based on phase of phenomenon (storm vs. quiet times, storm main or recovery phase)

CAMEL Demo



CAMEL

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Validation Studies

- GEM2008 Ground Magnetic Perturbations
- Radiation Belt Effects: Initial Results from the GEM Challenge on the Spacecraft Surface Charging Environment
- Solar Wind Parameters at L1
- Total Electron Content at various Ionosonde Stations
- COSPAR ISWAT TEAM ID: H1-01 (Ambient Solar Wind)_[BETA]
- 900keV and 1800keV at Van Allen Probe A/B [BETA]
- Neutral Density_[BETA]

We will look at this one!

Available on

<https://webserver1.ccmc.gsfc.nasa.gov/camel/>



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Thermosphere Neutral Density

[Study References](#)

[Data Coverage Chart](#)

Skill Scores

Data Plots

Solutions to Score

- CTIPe
- DTM2013
- DTM2020_intermediate
- DTM2020_operational
- GITM
- JB2008
- MSIS20
- TIEGCM
- WACCMX
- WAMPIPE

Events to Score

- 2001-03-TP-02 : [2001-03-29, 2001-04-03]
- 2005-01-TP-03 : [2005-01-17, 2005-01-23]
- 2005-05-TP-02 : [2005-05-14, 2005-05-18]
- 2005-05-TP-03 : [2005-05-29, 2005-06-01]
- 2005-07-TP-01 : [2005-07-08, 2005-07-14]
- 2005-08-TP-01 : [2005-08-23, 2005-08-26]
- 2005-09-TP-01 : [2005-09-08, 2005-09-19]
- 2005-10-TP-01 : [2005-10-07, 2005-10-10]
- 2013-03-TP-01 : [2013-03-16, 2013-03-20]
- 2013-05-TP-01 : [2013-05-31, 2013-06-04]
- 2021-10-TP-01 : [2021-10-11, 2021-10-14]
- 2021-11-TP-01 : [2021-11-02, 2021-11-06]
- 2022-02-TP-01 : [2022-02-02, 2022-02-06]

Observations

- GOCE
- CHAMP
- GRACE_FO

Phases to Score

- main phase
- recovery phase

Parameter to Score

Normalized Density(g/cm³)

Skillscore Type

Mean Observed-To-Computed (O/C) Density

Skill Tables

REFRESH SKILLS

Summary



Audience:

- Scientists, Operational Space Weather Agencies, Researchers

Problems Addressed:

- Continuous and open validation framework for the community to track progress over time
 - All data and output is publicly available via a public repository or API
 - The skill scores calculation library is open source

Future Plans:

- Continue to develop and improve active mini-campaigns as they all have different sets of requirements,
- Support analyses beyond using 1-D time series for validation,
- Open source the post-processing and visualization code.