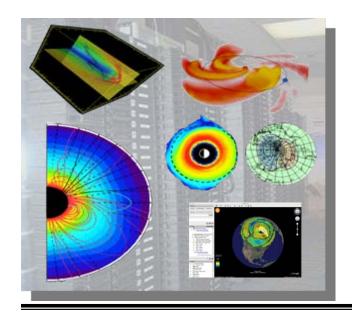


# CCMC's V&V Report: Magnetosphere/lonosphere Models



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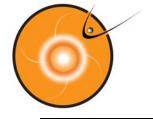






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- The goals of CCMC's magnetosphere/ionosphere V&V.
- Summary of the magnetosphere/ionosphere V&V activities over the past two years.
- Future V&V plans.



#### The goals of CCMC's V&V activities

- Carry out <u>independent</u> V&V to:
  - Support further model development.
  - Support operational space weather modeling activities.
  - Quantify and monitor the performance of the state-of-the-art models.



 Taktakishvili et al., Metrics analysis of the coupled Block Adaptive-Tree Solar Wind Roe-Type Upwind Scheme and Fok ring current model performance, *Space Weather*, 5, 11, doi:10.1029/2007SW000321, 2007.



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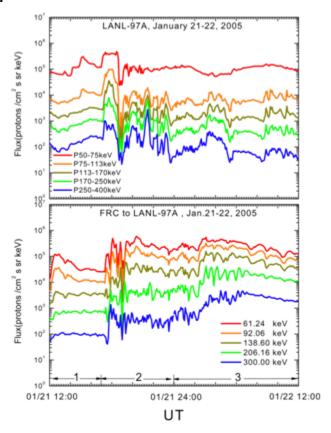
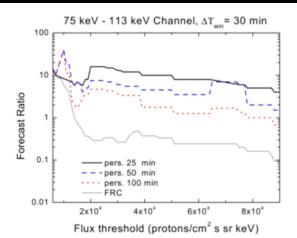


Figure 2. LANL-97A geosynchronous satellite proton flux data and the Fok ring current model results mapped to this satellite trajectory.



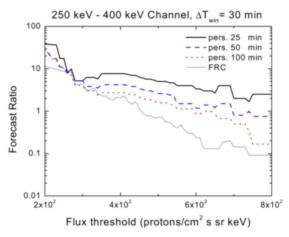
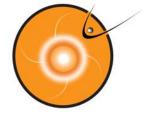


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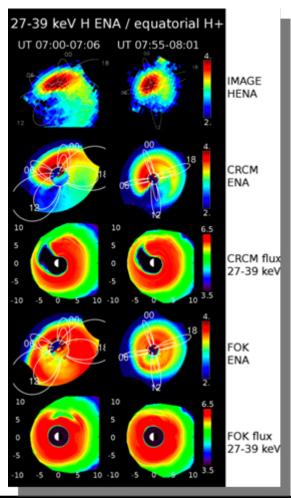


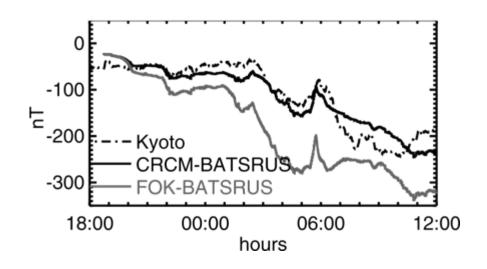
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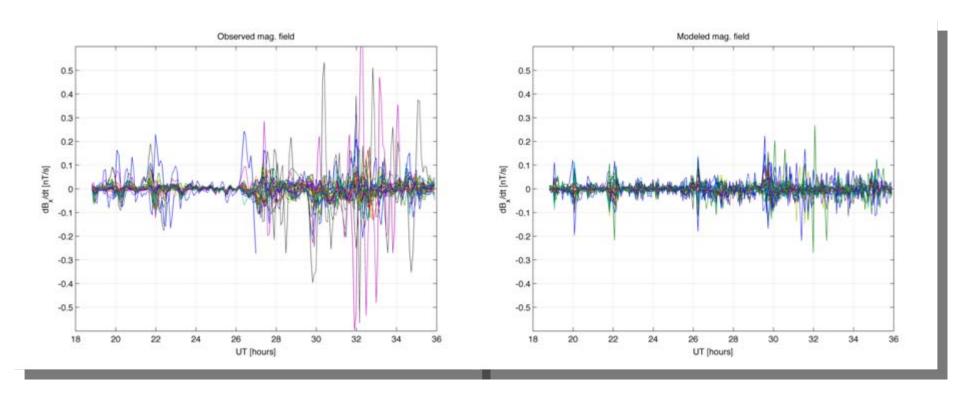




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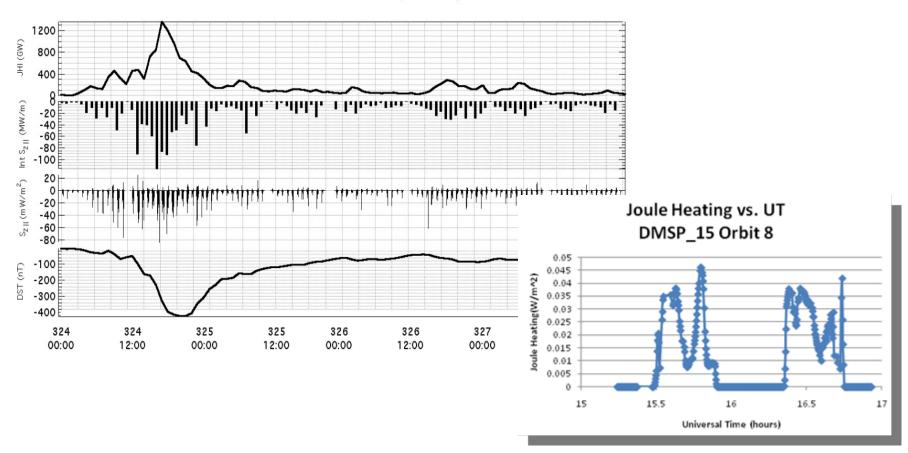
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- Andeweg et al., Comparing Model and Data Energy During Geo Magnetic Storms, paper presented at the Space Weather Workshop, 2009.



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#### Geomagnetic index V&V

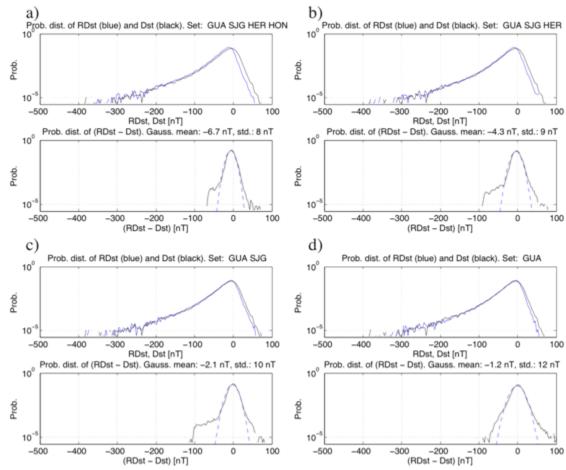
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Figure 2: Top panels in a)-d): probability distributions of RDst and Dst. The distributions were computed using one-hour data covering years 1963-1994. Bottom panels in a)-d): probability distributions of the difference (RDst - Dst). The dashed lines show Gaussian difference distributions fitted the to distributions. The titles of the bottom panels indicate the mean and the standard deviation of the Gaussian distributions. RDst in panels a)-d) were computed using four different sets of stations. The used sets of stations are indicated in the titles of the top panels of a)-d).





#### Solar wind propagation technique V&V

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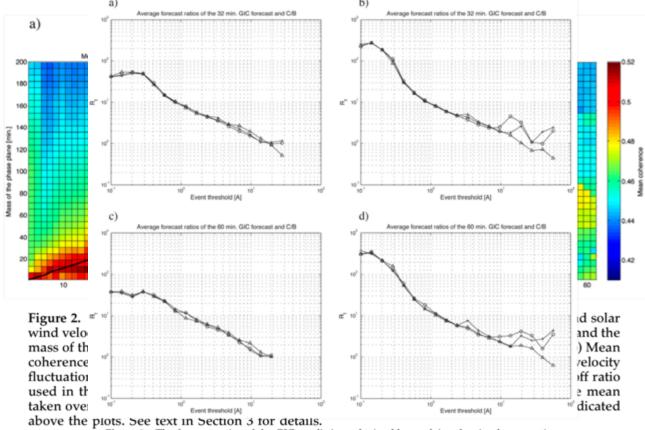
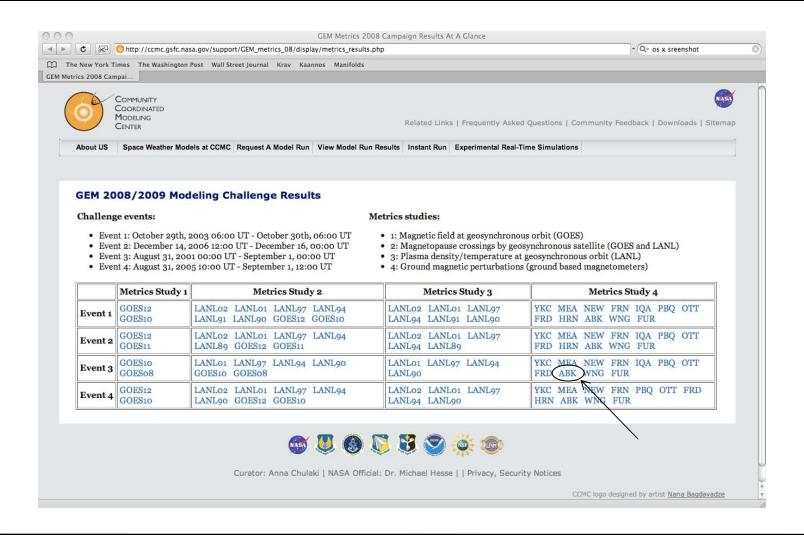


Figure 8. The forecast ratios of the GIC predictions obtained by applying the simple convection delay (triangles), the phase planes with stabilization (plusses), and the *Weimer and King* [2008] setup (circles). (a) The data was analyzed in nonoverlapping 32 minute long forecast windows. (b) The data was analyzed in overlapping 32 minute long forecast windows. (c) The data was analyzed in nonoverlapping 60 minute long forecast windows. (d) The data was analyzed in overlapping 60 minute long forecast windows. See the text and *Pulkkinen et al.* [2007] for details.

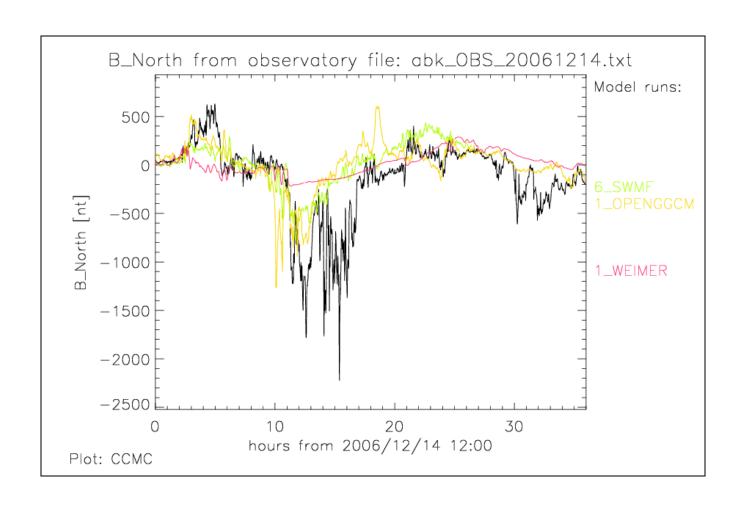


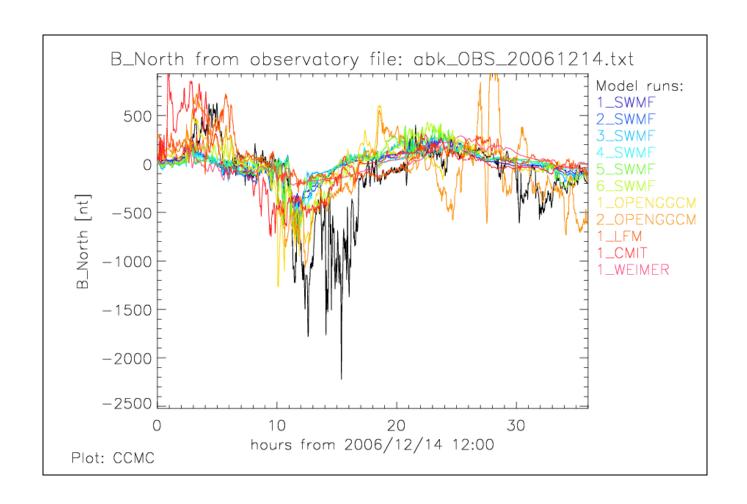
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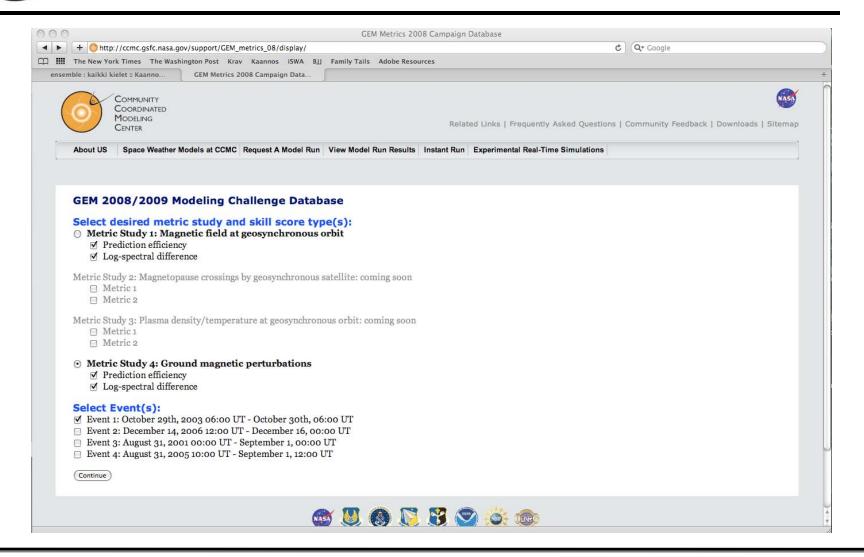
- Metrics studies of inner magnetospheric dynamics and ground magnetic field perturbations. Four storm events studied.
- Challenge submissions via CCMC's metrics interface.
- CCMC carried out the metrics analyses.
- Number of different metrics used in the analyses.
- Analyses for the geostationary and ground magnetic field perturbations completed.
- Initial analyses reported by Pulkkinen et al., Systematic evaluation of ground and geostationary magnetic field predictions generated by global magnetohydrodynamic models, J. Geophys. Res., in press.



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#### GEM 2008-2009 Challenge Metrics Results

- Metrics results will be reported in two manuscripts to be submitted to the Space Weather journal.
- Pulkkinen et al., Geospace Environment Modeling 2008-2009 Challenge: ground magnetic field perturbations, to be submitted to Space Weather, 2010.
- Rastätter et al., Geospace Environment Modeling 2008-2009 Challenge: geostationary magnetic field perturbations, to be submitted to Space Weather, 2010.



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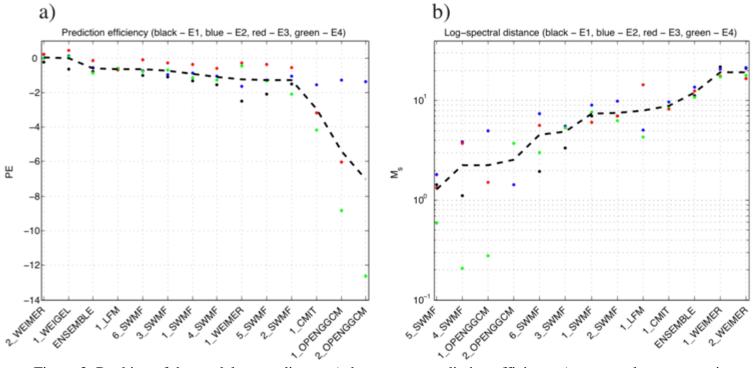


Figure 3: Ranking of the models according to a) the average prediction efficiency (average taken over stations and field components) and b) the average log-spectral distance (average taken over stations). In both panels the best performing model is located in the extreme left. Dots with different colors correspond to different events: black - event 1, blue - event 2, red - event 3, green - event 4. The thick dashed line gives the model average taken over different events. The ranking is based on the averages taken over the events. See Table 2 for model identifiers on the horizontal axis.



#### Planned V&V Activities

- Continued "V&V on request" support for AFWA: comparisons between CCMC's and AFWA's auroral oval tools, looking into GAIM validation with varying sets of input data.
- Continued GEM Challenge support and expansion of the Challenge activities to CEDAR.
- Support NOAA Space Weather Prediction Center in their geospace model validation and selection process.