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Solar Interior to Solar Atmosphere (SI – SA)

Physical Parameters: Plasma Density, Temperature/Pressure, Velocity (vector), Magnetic Field (vector)

Time Step Information

Location of the Transition Region:

On the adjoining numerical grids (face centered or cell centered).

Overlapping grids for gradient information and data passing.

Comments: Probably best thing here given state of the art is some observation-based photospheric boundary condition "data base". In particular, radial B fields given for Carrington Rotations.

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Solar Atmosphere to Solar Wind (SA – SW)

Physical Parameters: Plasma Density, Temperature/Pressure, Velocity (vector), Magnetic Field (vector)

Time Step Information

Location of the Transition Region:

Beyond the outer most critical points (approx. 20-30 solar radii).

On the adjoining numerical grids (face centered or cell centered).

Overlapping grids for gradient information and data passing.

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Solar Wind to Magnetosphere (SW – MG)

Physical Parameters required by present models:

Density, Pressure, Velocity (vector), Magnetic Field (vector).

Future Possibilities:

Minor species (e.g., He),

Energetic Particles

Wave Spectra – important for SW driving
of ULF waves in magnetosphere.

Other Issues: “What and **where**” can be as important as “what”:

Interpolation of 3D data from one grid to another

Need to allow for possibility of 3-D description of solar wind input to magnetospheric models

Different **variable description** (i.e., cell-centered and face centered)

Extensibility of variables is important for future extensions of models

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Solar Atmosphere to Ionosphere (SA-IO)

Physical parameters:

- 10.7 cm Flux (for now)
- Spectra of EUV (ideal)
- Average Energy of Precipitating Electrons

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Solar Atmosphere to Ionosphere Electrodynamics (SA – IE)

Physical parameters:

- 10.7 cm Flux (for now)
- Spectra of EUV (ideal)
- Average Energy of Precipitating Electrons

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Solar Wind to Inner Magnetosphere (SW – IM)

Physical Parameters for Radial Diffusion Model:

- SW Density N
- SW Velocity V

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Magnetosphere to Inner Magnetosphere (MG – IM)

Physical Parameters:

- 3D Magnetic Magnetic Field
- Inner Plasma Sheet Density
- Inner Plasma Sheet Temperature
- Field line volume (for RCM)

What Drives Ring Current and Radiation Belt Models:

- Magnetic field model (MG – IM)
- Convection electric field model (IE – IM)
- Particle distribution at model boundary (MG – IM)
- Radial diffusion model (SW – IM)
- Models of wave-particle interaction (PL – IM)

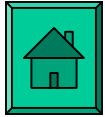


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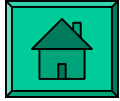
Inner Magnetosphere to Magnetosphere (IM – MG)

Physical Parameters:

- Pressure in Inner Magnetosphere
- Subauroral Electric Potential, Ionospheric Potential at MHD
Equatorward Boundary



Plasmasphere to Magnetosphere (PL – MG)



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Magnetosphere to Plasmasphere (MG - PL)

Physical Parameters:

- Estimated auroral particle precipitation

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Magnetosphere to Ionosphere Electrodynamics (MG – IE)

Physical Parameters:

- Field-Aligned Currents
- Estimated auroral particle precipitation

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Ionosphere Electrodynamics to Magnetosphere (IE – MG)

Physical Parameters:

- Convection Electric Field

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Ionosphere to Magnetosphere (IO – MG)

Physical Parameters:

- Perpendicular velocity, outgoing density, temperature, and field-aligned velocity of different species

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Magnetosphere to Ionosphere (MG – IO)

Physical Parameters:

- Field aligned currents
- Precipitating electron total and average energy flux

More Complex:

- Precipitating electron distribution function and ion distribution function with some indication of pitch angles
- Interhemispheric transport on closed field lines through the magnetosphere (see PL – IO)

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Ionosphere Electrodynamics to Ionosphere (IE – IO)

Physical Parameters:

- Convection Electric Field

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Ionosphere to Ionosphere Electrodynamics (IO – IE)

Physical Parameters:

- Height integrated diffusion of neutral wind
(change in field aligned current due to neutral wind)
- Height integrated conductances

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Ionosphere Electrodynamics to Inner Magnetosphere (IE – IM)

Physical Parameters:

- Ionospheric potential distribution
- Height integrated conductances (for Fok's CRCM model)

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Inner Magnetosphere to Ionosphere Electrodynamics (IM – IE)

Physical Parameters:

- Field-Aligned Current,
- Ions and Electrons Precipitation in Sub-Auroral Region (<70 deg lat)

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Plasmasphere to Ionosphere (PL – IO)

Physical Parameters:

- Downward flux of ions on the nightside
- Interhemispheric transport on closed field lines through the magnetosphere

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Ionosphere to Plasmasphere (IO – PL)

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Plasmasphere to Inner Magnetosphere (PL – IM)

Physical Parameters and Models:

- Models of wave-particle interaction
- Geocorona of different species to calculate loss rate of ions and electrons

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Inner Magnetosphere to Plasmasphere (IM - PL)

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Neutral Atmosphere to Ionosphere (NA – IO)

Neutral parameters in spherical, geophysical coordinates (latitude, longitude, altitude) every 15 minutes (or so):

- Neutral density: H, He, N, O, N₂, NO, O₂
- Neutral temperature: T_n
- Neutral wind: V_n

Electric field

- Empirical model (e.g., Fejer/Scherliess)
- Self-consistent (need the neutral wind V_n for low- to mid-latitude ionosphere)

Plasma dynamics:

- Magnetic coordinate system, decoupled parallel and perpendicular plasma dynamics
- Tilted dipole; Offset tilted dipole, IGRF

Ionosphere models keep track on both coordinate systems

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Ionosphere to Neutral Atmosphere (NA - IO)

Physical Parameters:

- Different species densities, velocities, and temperatures
- Precipitating electron and ion distribution functions to calculate ionization rates and heating rates

Comments: Ionosphere and Neutral Atmosphere are not easily decoupled. Almost every parameter for different models at each grid cell. Photoionization requires that you know the local density for all of the atom/molecules which are going to be photoionized and Chapman integral for all neutral constituents.