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Exploring the Earth's lonosphere with a Dynamical Systems Approach

Message from the Guest Editors

Modelling the Earth's ionosphere as a whole, or regions of it, is a well-established branch of applied physics in which space physics and geophysics intersect. In this field, many lines of research co-exist; for example, empiric models co-exist with first principle models, and multi-instrument inversion techniques may aid in the assimilation of real data in theoretical modelling. Moreover, the growing use of machine learning and artificial intelligence techniques in this field offers unprecedented opportunities to exploit the large datasets associated with aeronomy and near-Earth space physics in order to create new empirical and hybrid models. This Special Issue of Atmosphere aims to collect research that represents the Earth's ionosphere as a dynamical system that can be delineated using first principles, as deduced from a collection of empirical data and observations, or may be designed specifically for a particular phenomenon or set of phenomena.

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