Prediction of Spatio-temporal Variation for Electron Flux at Geostationary Orbits

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In this paper, we present the prediction model of energetic electrons (> 2 MeV) simultaneously at multi-points in the terrestrial radiation belt. Our model was based upon the nonlinear system identification technique so-called Multi-Input Single-Output NARMAX (Nonlinear Autoregressive Moving Average with Exogenous)[1-2]. To predict spatio-temporal dependences of the electron flux, we have used high latitude Pc5 ULF data at 8 different MLTs as external local forcing parameters and used global parameters such as solar wind parameters (solar wind velocity and pressure, IMF) and SYM/H. We have constructed the prediction model with 24-hour ahead prediction with 3-hour time resolution at 8 different MLTs. As a result, the model has high prediction performance. In addition, Pc5 ULF data contributes to improve the accuracy at some MLT indicative of local dependence of the electron flux. Figure 1 shows an example snap shot of spatial variation of the predicted electron flux. Correlation coefficient for the MLT without satellite data being available by comparing the prediction results at GOES13 (60°W) based upon the GOES15 (135°W) with sampled data from GOES13, the correlation coefficient is still found to be high ~ 70%. Moreover, the effect from geomagnetic storm on the prediction accuracy will be discussed.

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