



PEDAS 2024

Updates!
45th Cospas Assembly



Panel on Potentially Environmentally Detrimental Activities in Space (PEDAS)

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45TH COSPAR SCIENTIFIC ASSEMBLY

10 Solicited Speakers

- 1 in Session 1 “Detection, Tracking, Orbit Determination”
- 1 in Session 4 “Astrodynamics for SSA and End-of-Life”
- 2 in Session 7 “Next Steps in Mitigation and Coordination for Space Sustainability”
- 2 in Session 8 “Socio-Economic and Ethical Effects of Space Debris and Zero-Debris for Space Fairing”
- 2 in Session 9 “Near-Earth Space, Object Characterization, Re-entry and Pollution”
- 2 in Session 10 “Socio-Economic Effects of Space Fairing and Space Debris”

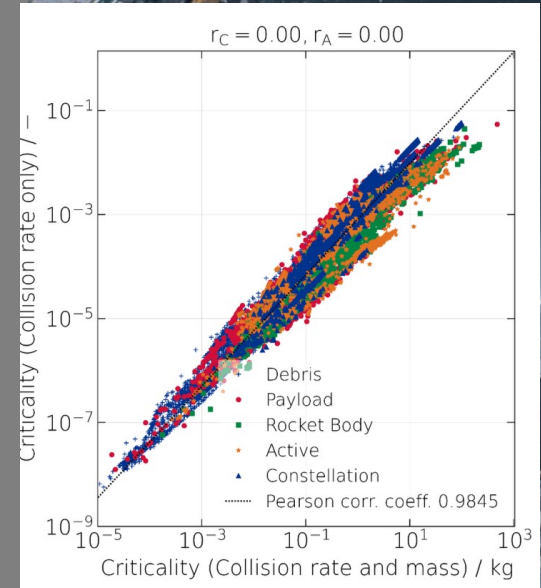
2 Invited Short Courses

- ❖ Tim Flohrer, *A guide to ESA Tools Supporting the Assessment of Compliance with Space Debris Mitigation Guidelines and Regulation*
- ❖ Thomas Schildknecht, *Optical Observations: Detection, Tracking & Characterization of Known and Unknown Human-Made Space Objects*



PEDAS: Clean Space and End-of-Life

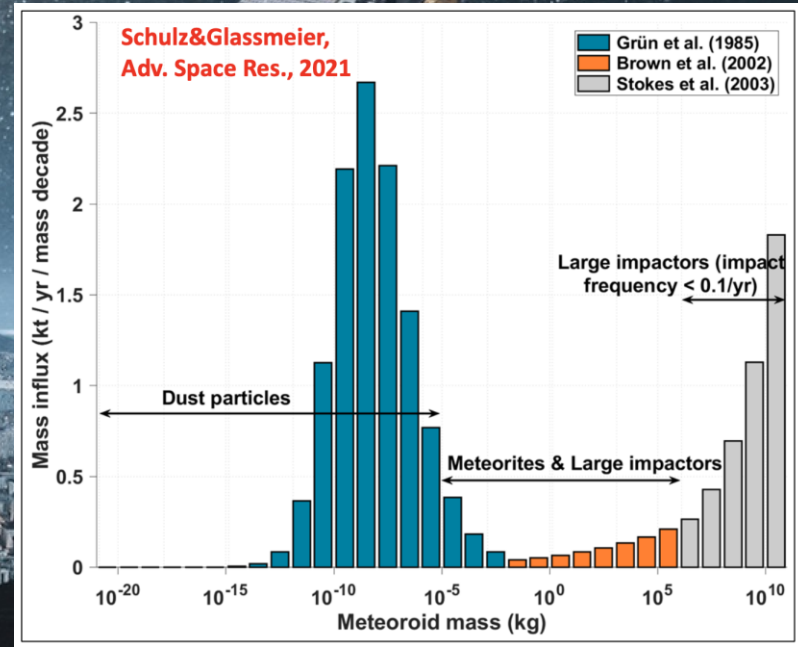
- Criticality metric for space object density (*Böttcher*)
- Debris Growth rates (*Nayyer*), debris sources and sinks (*Brownhall*)
- Percolation theory for population models (*Vasile*)
- Sequential removal optimization (*Kravchenko*)



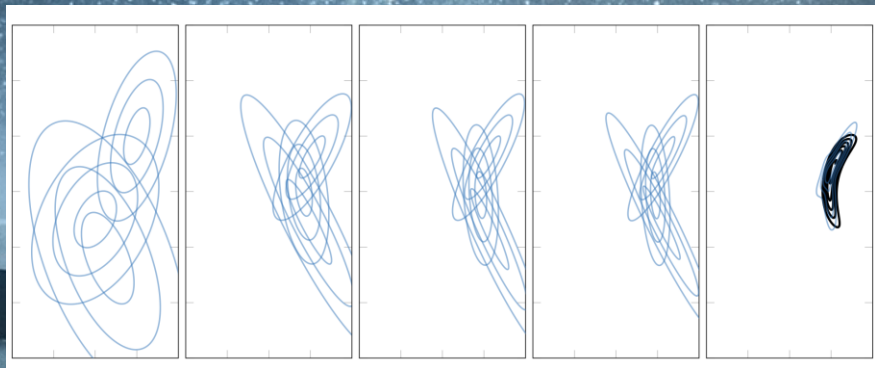
source: Böttcher

PEDAS: Reentry and Constellations

- Effects on the upper atmosphere by higher numbers of reentering debris (Glaßmeier).
- Effects of constellations in orbit (Anselmo) and on reentry (Pardini)

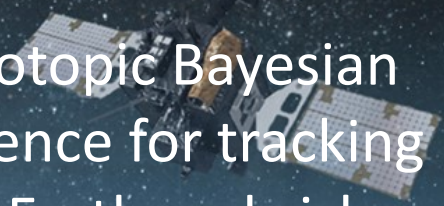


PEDAS: Cislunar



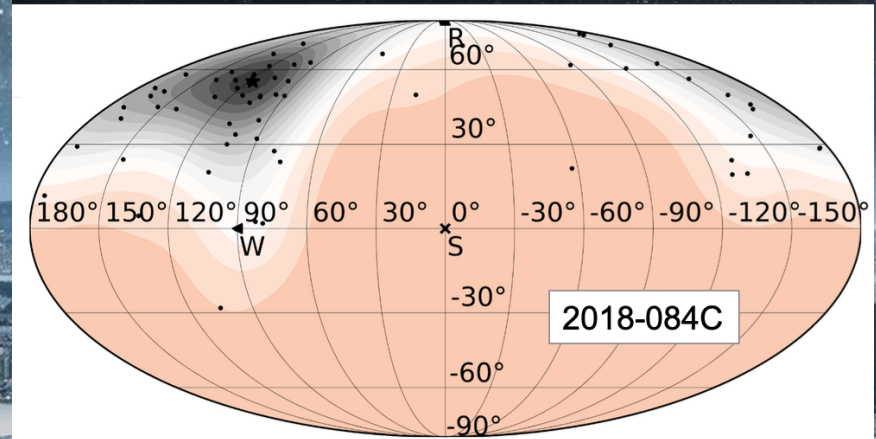
source: DeMars

- Homotopic Bayesian Inference for tracking near-Earth and cislunar (DeMars)
- Effects of cislunar fragmentations on near-Earth and cislunar space sustainability.



PEDAS: Fragmentations

- H-IIA 202 fairing fragmentation root causes (Wacker, Wiedemann)
- AI-driven small debris on-situ detection (Lieu)

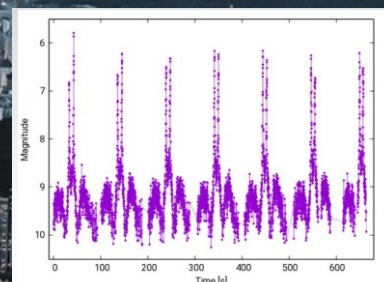
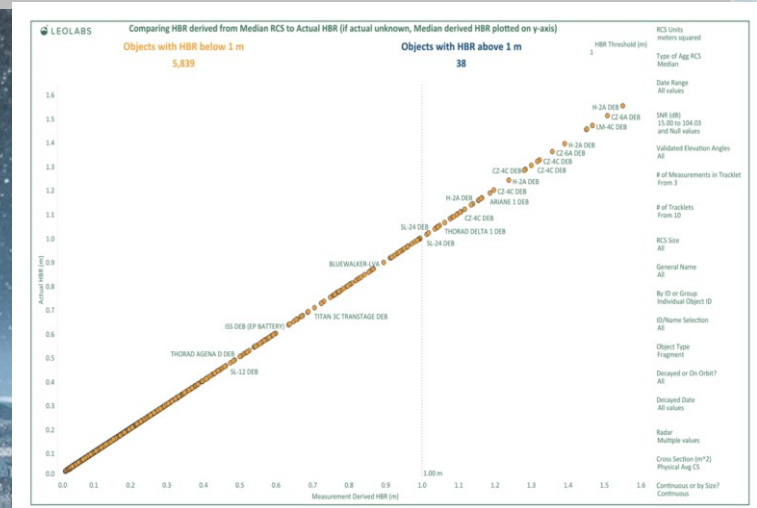


▲ Spatial distribution of additional velocity vector of all fragments in parent body frame (RSW body frame: R → radial direction, W → normal to orbital plane, S → transversal)

source: Wacker

PEDAS: Characterization

- Servicing via lab experiments (Huwald)
- Reliable radar cross section estimation (McKnight)
- Light curves:
 - Classification via AI (Qhashuo)
 - Attitude evolutions using large datasets, e.g. for the H2A Rocket (Schildknecht)



source:McKnight

source: Schildknecht

PEDAS: Policy and Recommendations

The background of the slide is a composite image. The top portion shows a satellite in orbit against a starry night sky, with a crescent moon visible in the upper right corner. The bottom portion shows a panoramic view of a city at night, featuring a large body of water, a bridge, and numerous illuminated buildings.

- Cost and compensation of space debris for policy (Lee).
- Liability Compensation
- Service market space (Reed)

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