



Comparison of TNID calculation methods- FASTRAD[®] 3.7

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- What is the impact of the method choice?
- Are they equivalent?
- Follows a similar R&T study for TID Monte Carlo calculation using FASTRAD [RADECS 2016, Pourrouquet et al., Comparative Study Between Monte-Carlo Tools for Space Applications]
- Release of a TNID Monte Carlo module in the latest FASTRAD version
 - Taking into account the detector material





Calculation methods & radiation models definition

Calculation results

- RT methods
- RMC comparison

Conclusions





Calculation methods & radiation models definition









Ray-Tracing calculation methods

Input TNID depth curves



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Calculation methods





Normal path







Component models

Silicon die



Realistic packages









Satellite & equipment shielding models

Equivalent Aluminum boxes







Calculation results



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Calculation method impact, RT or RMC, on TNID (FASTRAD 3.7)

Reference for all comparisons: Solid sphere / Slant path

 Comparison using different methods for TNID depth curve and RT calculations

TNID depth curve	Slab + normal incidence		Slab + isotropic incidence	
RT method	Slant path	Normal path	Slant path	Normal path
Simple satellite Mean Difference	1%	61%	-34%	4%
Realistic satellite Mean Difference	8%	62%	-39%	8%

No effect of detector location on results







Different geometrical complexities

Satellite	Electronic parts	RMC/RT Difference		
equivalent satellite	Silicon die w/o package	-4%	Density different from AI	
	Metal package (Iron)	17%	 different interactions 	
	Plastic package	6%	=> Secondary creation	
	Ceramic package	7%	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
complete satellite	Realistic package?	16%	Slight impact of a 3D complex geometry	





 Equivalence of RT calculation methods for the studied LEO environment

Case	TNID depth curve	RT calculation method	
1	Sphere + isotropic incidence	Slant path -	
2	Slab + normal incidence	Slant path -	
3	Slab + isotropic incidence	Normal path ·	

No effect of the detector location







- Material importance
 - Small impact of the package material on TNID (17%)
- Study performed on a single LEO orbit
 - No general recommendation possible at this point
 - Need to sample all the possible environments (GEO, MEO, GTO, EOR...) in future studies
- Comparison with flight data will allow to complete the study





Thank you for your attention



