

Thursday, March 13, 2008
ENCELADUS
1:30 p.m. Amphitheater

Chairs: T. A. Hurford
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- 1:30 p.m. Halevy I. * Stewart S. T.
A Non-Equilibrium Clathrate Hydrate Dissociation Model and Application to Enceladus' Plume [#1174]
A dynamical clathrate dissociation model explains observations of Enceladus' plume, predicts its characteristics during upcoming encounters and allows observational distinction between dissociating clathrate and boiling liquid as the plume's source.
- 1:45 p.m. Michaud R. L. * Pappalardo R. T. Collins G. C.
Pit Chains on Enceladus: A Discussion of Their Origin [#1678]
The surface of Enceladus displays a collection of pit-chains. We discuss various potential causes to their origin, including the drainage of unconsolidated surface material into dilational-fault-induced voids, which we believe to be the most likely explanation.
- 2:00 p.m. Schenk P. M. * McKinnon W. B.
The Lumpy Shape of Enceladus and Implications for the Interior [#2523]
Enceladus is a lumpy object. Deep fissures and large bowl-shaped depressions >1 km deep mar its otherwise flat surface. Find out how so and why!
- 2:15 p.m. McKinnon W. B. * Barr A. C.
On the Stability of an Ocean Within Enceladus [#2517]
In the presence of ice convection, an ocean-bearing Enceladus can adjust its oceanic thickness and composition so that satellite heat flows are steady state on average.
- 2:30 p.m. Barr A. C. * McKinnon W. B.
Interaction Between Convection and Shear Heating in Enceladus' South Polar Region [#2229]
We model convection beneath Enceladus' south polar region including a heat source from strike-slip motion along the tiger stripes to investigate the effect of the interaction between ridges and convection on the surface heat flux.
- 2:45 p.m. Roberts J. H. * Nimmo F.
Near-Surface Heating on Enceladus and the South Polar Thermal Anomaly [#1481]
Shear heating along the tiger stripes on Enceladus can enhance convective upwelling in the underlying ice. Near-surface heating promotes melting of deep ice, causing regional subsidence, which may drive TPW, placing the heated region at the pole.
- 3:00 p.m. Nimmo F. *
Shear Heating and the Orbital Evolution of Enceladus [#1311]
Volumetric viscoelastic dissipation depends on eccentricity e^2 and mean motion n^5 . Shear heating, by contrast, depends on e^3 and n^7 and results in longer eccentricity damping timescales.