

Basic Principle

De Opera

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OPERA proposed a **Java** interface. To use this **Java** interface, the developer will have to:

- create the **OPERA ReentrySimulation** object with ...
 - an **OperaConfigurationProperties** object created from an existing file
 - a **List<SolarActivityRow>**] object including actual and predicted solar activities
- call for a given method of the **ReentrySimulation** object with a list of **TLE** as arguments

To obtain the results, some "getter" methods will be available depending on the type of computation.



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Do not forget to initialize PATRIUS dataset ...

As every computation using [**PATRIUS**], it is mandatory to well initialize a data set including main information to propagate trajectories (atmospheric models, third bodies ephemeris, **UTC/TAI** shifts, ...). Thanks to the additional jar available [[here](#)] and directly included in the opera-NN.n-jar-with-dependencies.jar file, it is really easy to do it by calling the **OperaReadUtils.iniPatriusDataset()** method.

```
// Patrius Dataset initialization (needed for example to get the UTC time)
OperaReadUtils.iniPatriusDataset(null);
```

Rather than to put **null** as input parameter of the **OperaReadUtils.iniPatriusDataset()** method, it is possible to give the name of a directory where additional data could be read.

How to initialize Opera Properties

A properties file is mandatory to initialize all the parameters needed to tune an **OPERA** computation. For more explanation about this kind of file, see [here](#).

Thanks to the static method **getConfigurationProperties()** from **OperaReadUtils** class, we have just to precise the file path:

```
// Opera properties configuration
final OperaConfigurationProperties conf =
OperaReadUtils.getConfigurationProperties("data/opa-
configuration.properties");
```

How to initialize solar activity

Similarly, we can use another static method from the [OperaSolarActivity](#) class. This method ([getSolarActivityFromFile\(\)](#)) needs as input parameters:

- the path for the file where actual activity is stored
- the path for the file where predicted activity is stored
- the CNES Julian date corresponding to the switch between actual and predicted activity

```
// Solar activity initialization
final String realPath = "data/solar/ACSOL_REAL.act";
final String predPath = "data/solar/ACSOL_PREDICTED.act";
final double switchCJD = 22700.0;
final List<OperaSolarActivityRow> solarActivity =
OperaSolarActivity.getSolarActivityFromFile(realPath, predPath, switchCJD);
```

Reentry simulation object

To create such an object only consists in calling the dedicated constructor with both previous [OperaConfigurationProperties](#) and [List<OperaSolarActivityRow>](#) objects:

```
// Reentry simulation creation
final OperaReentrySimulation simulation = new OperaReentrySimulation(conf,
solarActivity);
```

Getting list of TLE

Getting the list of [TLE](#) is done in two steps:

1. Getting all the available [TLE](#) for a given Norad Id calling the static [OperaTleManager.readTLEs\(\)](#) method
2. Extract from this previous list the needed sublist corresponding to a given duration and an "End Of History" date calling the static [OperaTleManager.selectTLEs\(\)](#) method

```
// TLEs initialization
final int noradId = 10479;
final SortedSet<TLE> tlesSet = OperaTleManager.readTLEs("data/tles", noradId,
true, "txt");
// TLEs selection
final double historyDuration = 80.;
final double endOfHistoryCJD = 22605.0;
final List<OperaTLE> tles = OperaTleManager.selectTLEs(tlesSet,
endOfHistoryCJD, historyDuration);
```

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