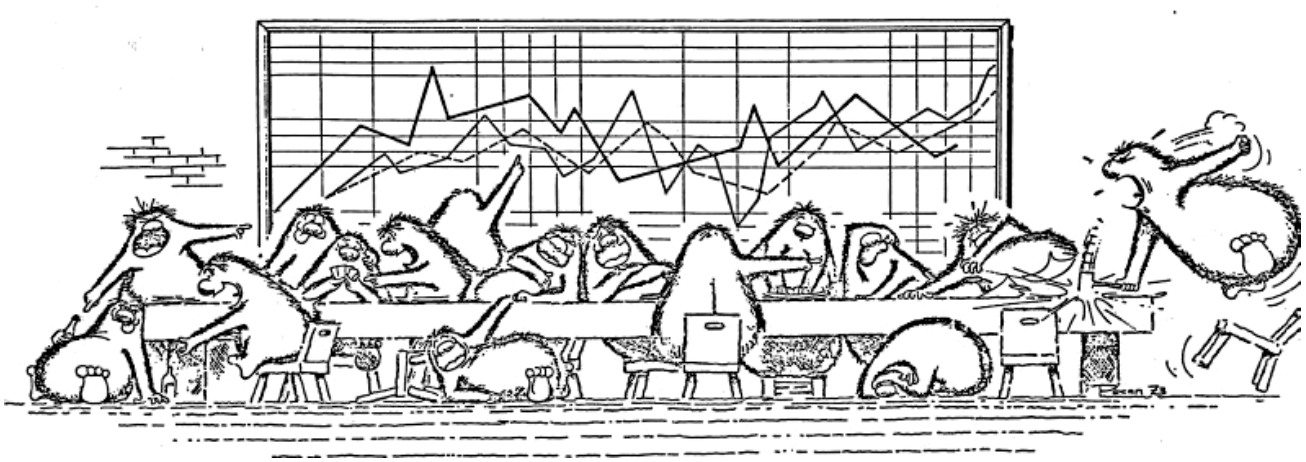
Discussions on Sharing Space Physics Data Have Not Always Been Productive.



Conclusions from the productive 1979 ISEE tail data exchange meeting

- Data Availability (Don't put in Don't get out)
- Data Format (Inches per hour on paper plots)
- **Data Content (Documentation and validation from the peer reviewed literature)**

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Content Matters

We really solved the format and availability issues on the Atmosphere Explorer (1973-1981) program,

- because all PI teams used the same computer
- *…**but we still had trouble with content issue**.*

- We need to find better ways to ***validate***, ***document*** and ***archive*** data with a variety of time and instrumental parameter resolutions.
- Less than the highest quality and/or resolution data ***can be*** valuable if validated and documented.

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