

Using CCMC in Education at University of Colorado (and elsewhere)

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HAO NCAR, NRC SWPC, CISM, MURI, USAFA

CU Aerospace Engineering 5335 (and beyond)

- Static Models and Climatology
 - Examples : <http://ccmc.gsfc.nasa.gov/modelweb/>
 - <http://modelweb.gsfc.nasa.gov/models/trap.html>
- Archived Runs on Request
 - Exercise(s) under Development
- Future Verification and Validation
 - Plans for MURI data

ASEN 4335 Student Population

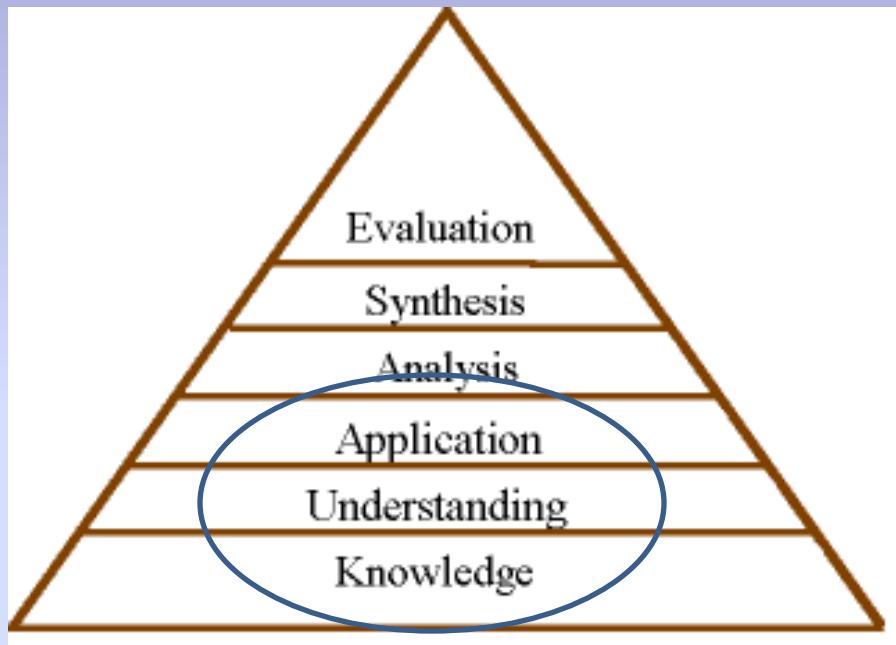
- In-classroom (20)
 - Beginning Graduate Students
 - Advanced Graduate Students
- Distance Students (4)
 - Continuing Ed
 - Pre-Grad Admission
 - Professional Development

Format

- Semester
 - Twice Weekly Lectures, 3 Exams
- Homework (7)
 - Simple Analytical /Empirical Models
 - Units, Order of Magnitude Values,
 - Relevant Parameters, Basic Physics

Teaching and Learning

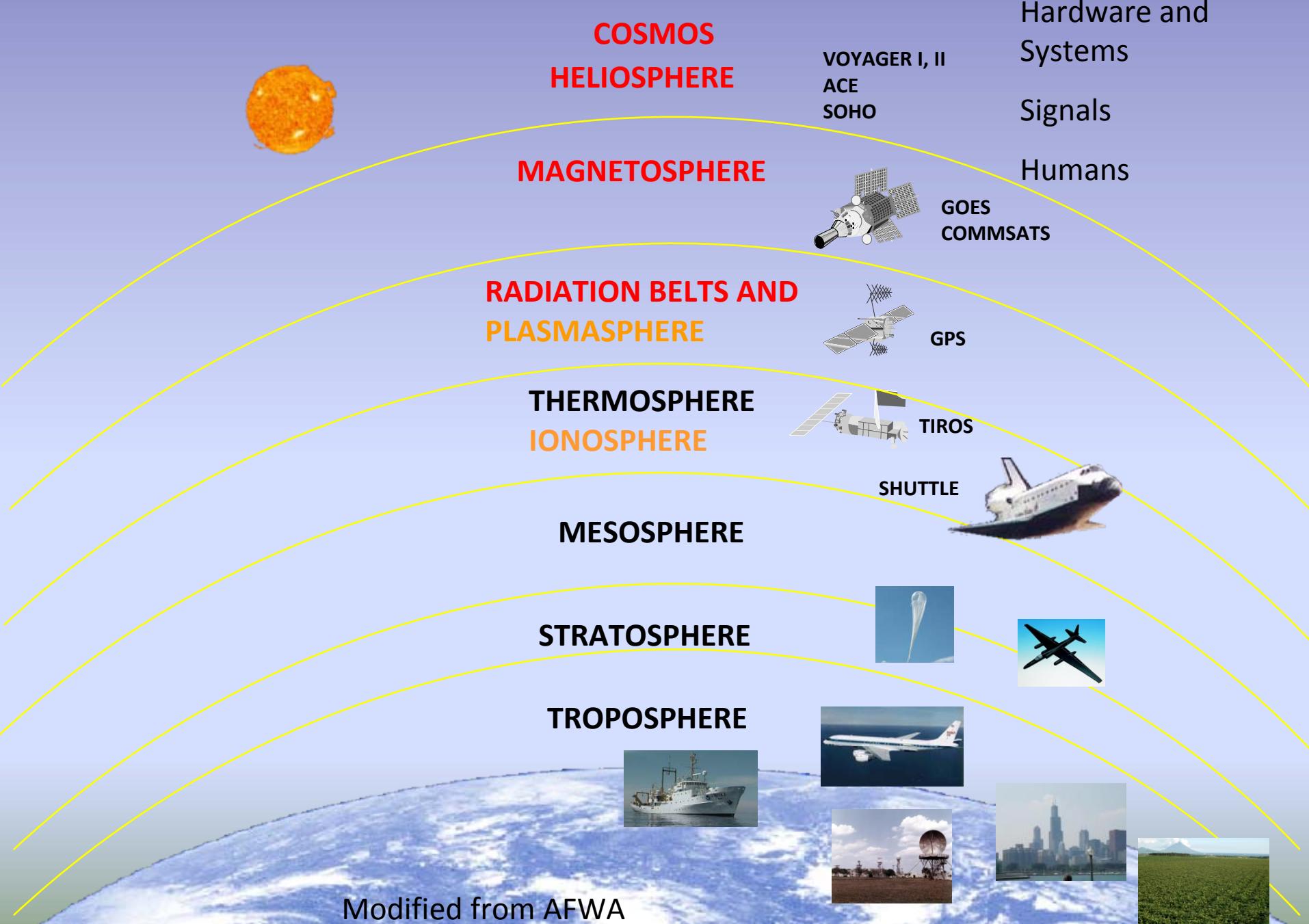
Bloom's Taxonomy: Educational Psychology



COMPONENTS OF THE SOLAR-TERRESTRIAL SYSTEM

- A. SUN
- B. SOLAR WIND / HELIOSPHERE
- C. MAGNETOSPHERE
 - Geomagnetic Field
 - Radiation Belts
- D. THE ATMOSPHERE –
 - NEUTRAL ATMOSPHERE
 - IONOSPHERE
- E. OTHER PLANETS
- F. SPACE MISSIONS

Space Environment



Modified from AFWA

Static Models and Climatology

A. SUN

Radiative Emissions : Analytic Model
& [SOLAR2000](#) (HW1)

D. THE ATMOSPHERE – NEUTRAL ATMOSPHERE

Scale Height : Analytic and
Empirical Models (HW2)

B. SOLAR WIND / HELIOSPHERE

Developing :
Analytic Model & NOAA SWPC & CCMC

Satellite Drag: NGDC ,
Analytic and Empirical Models
[CCMC MSIS-90 \(HW7\)](#)

C. MAGNETOSPHERE

Geomagnetic Field & Dynamics
[NGDC IGRF](#) & NOAA SWPC (HW4)
Single Particle Motions

IONOSPHERE

Layers Empirical Models and
[CCMC International Reference
Ionosphere \(IRI-2007\) \(HW3\)](#)

Radiation Belts

[NASA MODELWEB AE8 AP8](#)

[NASA OMNIWEB](#) (HW5)

Radiation Effects

Analytic and Empirical Models (HW6)

E. OTHER PLANETS

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COURSE TOPICS

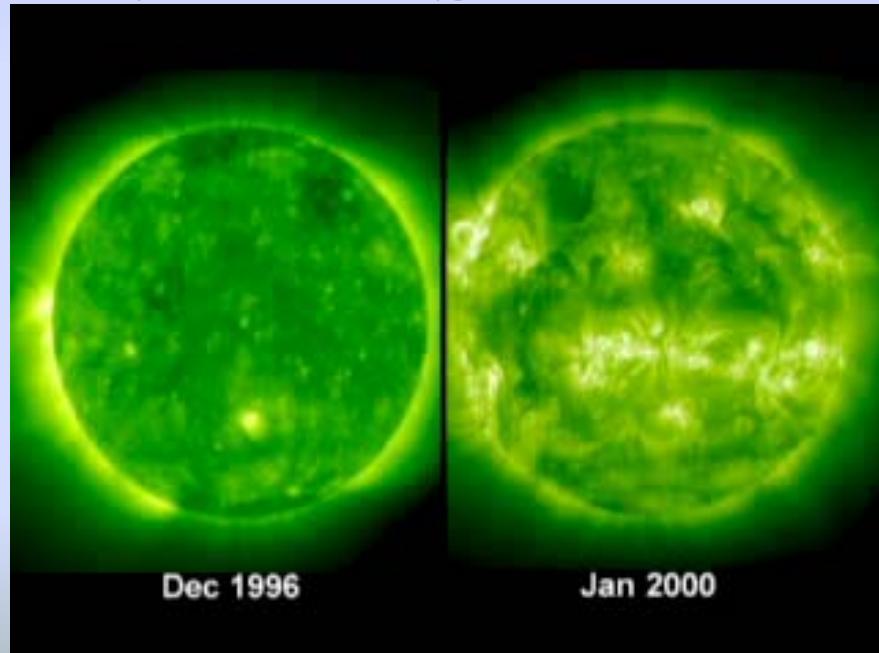
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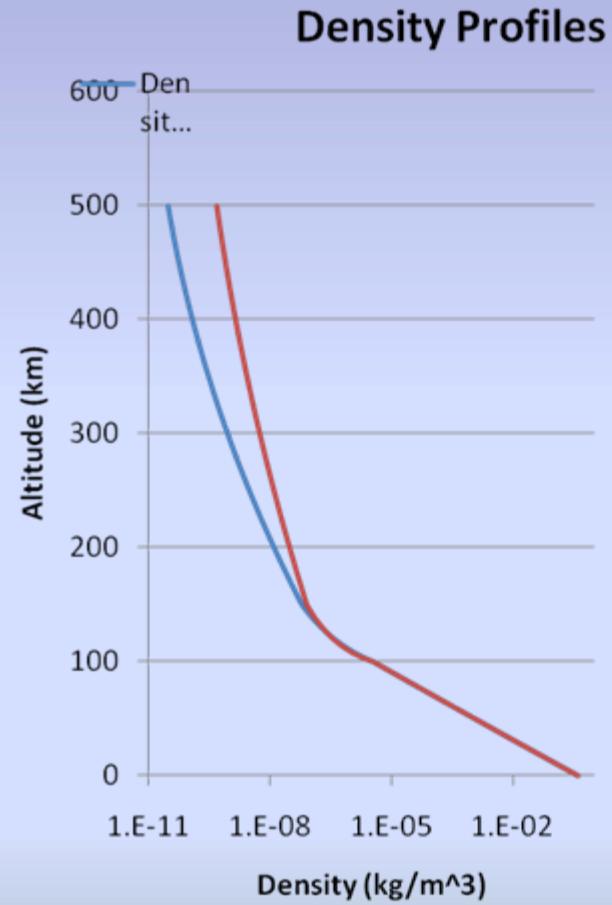
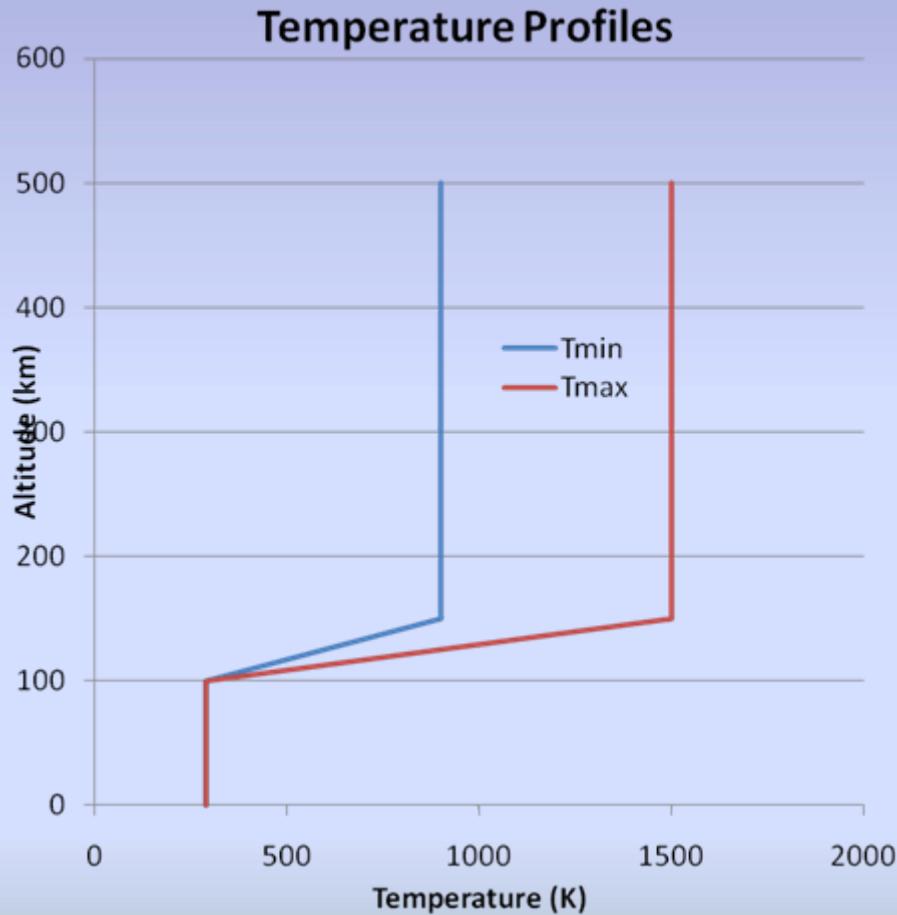
A. THE SUN - Basic structure and components; radio, visible, UV, EUV, and particle emissions; variability; interaction with Earth's neutral upper atmosphere and ionosphere.

D. THE ATMOSPHERE- Basic origins, properties, and structure; interplanetary magnetic field; interactions with outer regions of the magnetosphere.

SolarCycleOld SunNew Sun.mpg

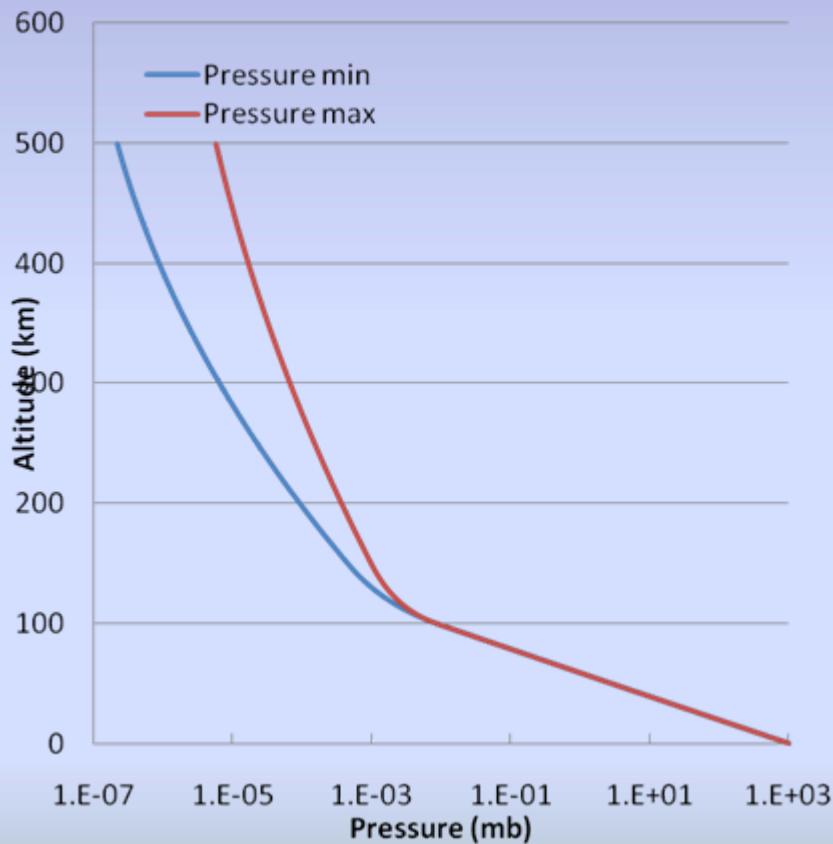


Exponential Atmosphere

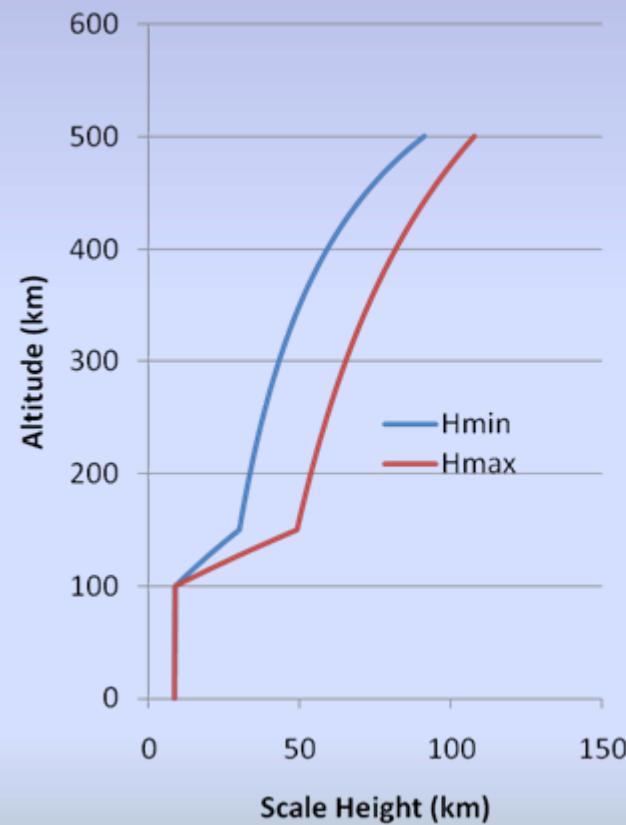


Scale Height

Pressure Profiles

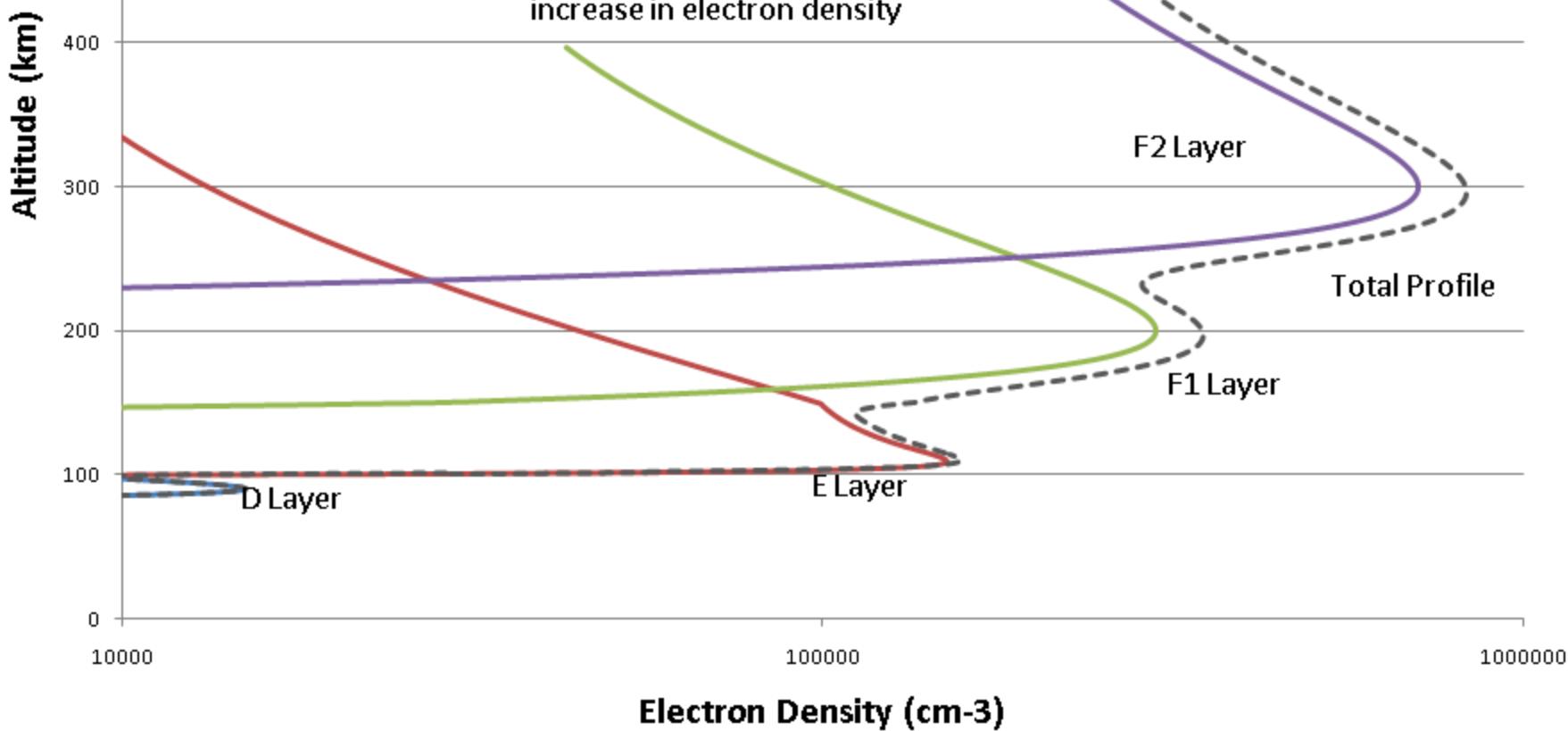


Scale Height Profiles



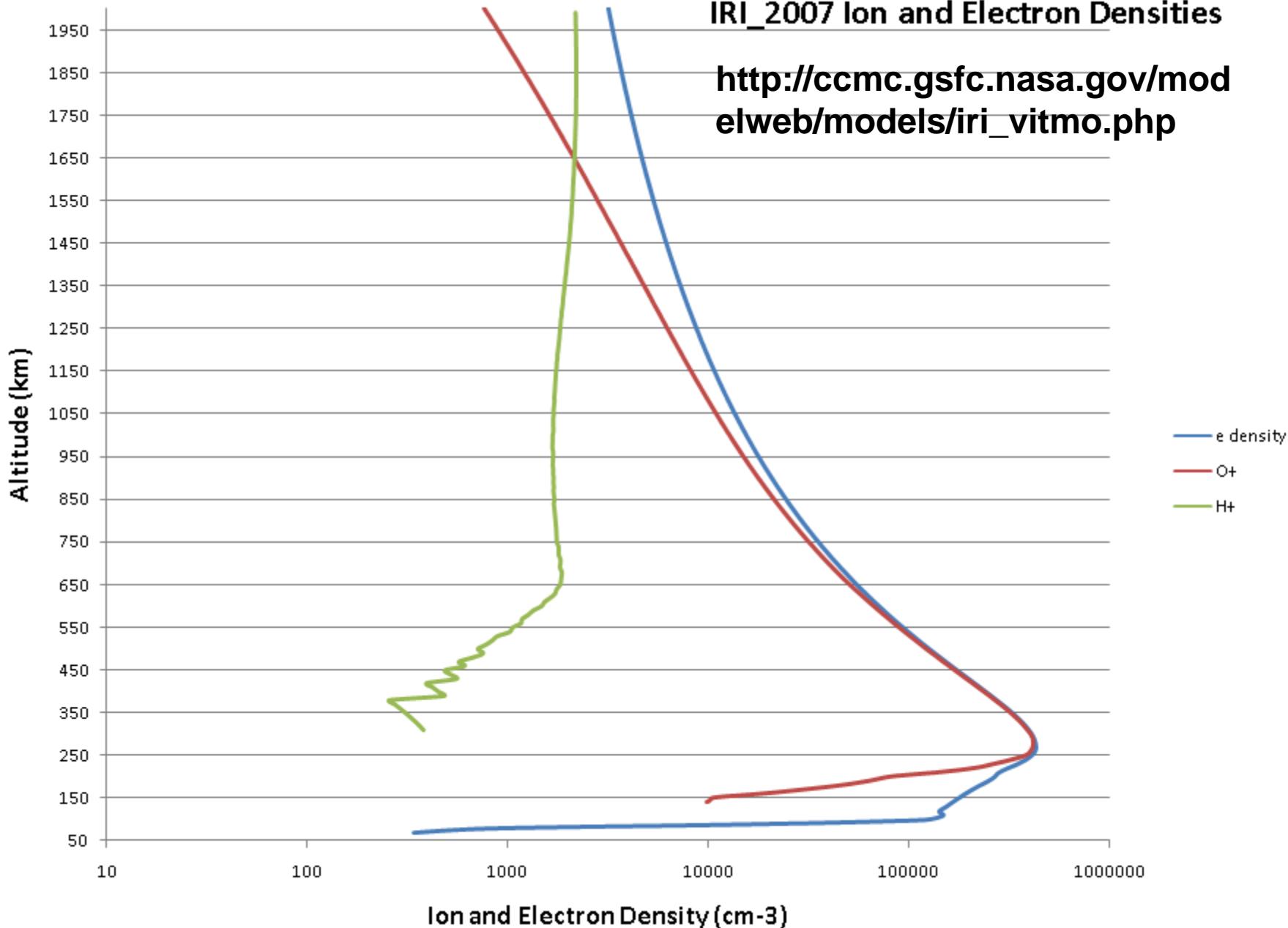
$$n(h) = \sqrt{q_{\max}^* / \alpha} \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left| 1 - \frac{h - h_{\max}^*}{H} - \sec \chi e^{-(h - h_{\max}^*)/H} \right| \right\}$$

Note that the simple approximation we have used for the electron density begins to fail at high altitudes and produces an unphysical increase in electron density



IRI_2007 Ion and Electron Densities

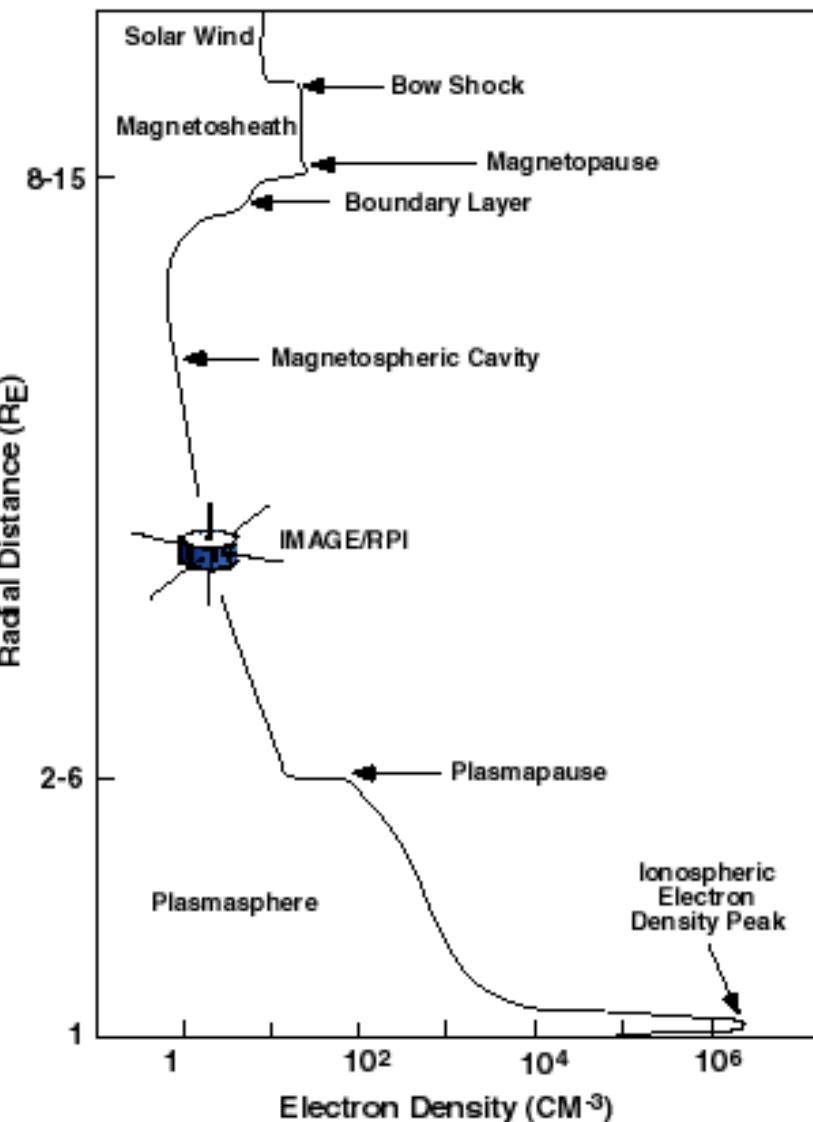
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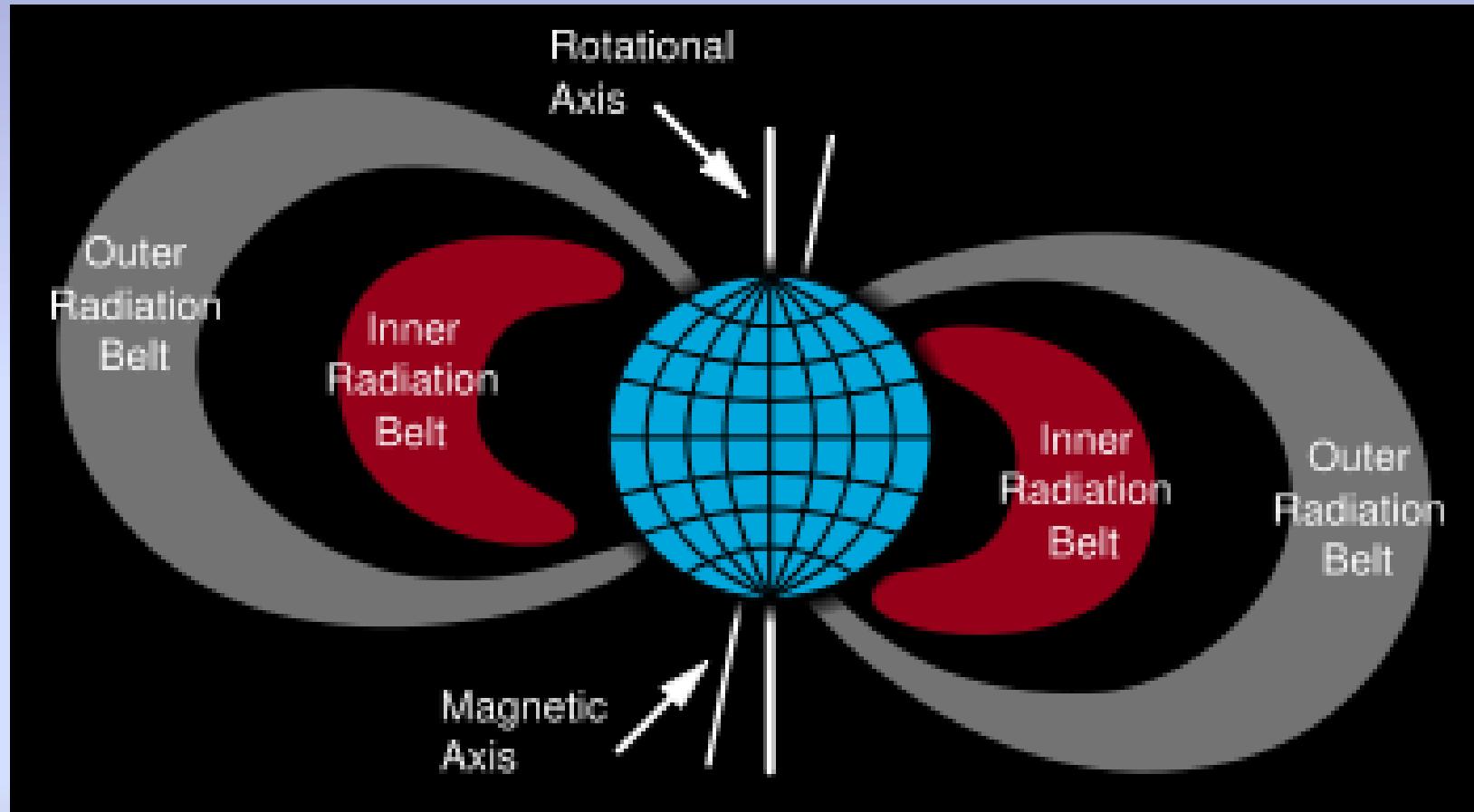
System Perspective on Electron Density

Courtesy NASA, IMAGE

RADIO SOUNDER WITH MAGNETOSPHERIC DENSITY CAVITY



Radiation Belts and Effects



NASA's AE-8 and AP-8 radiation belt models

<http://modelweb.gsfc.nasa.gov/models/trap.html> .

- Used by satellite designers to estimate mission lifetime particle fluxes
 - Estimate the flux of electrons in particles/cm²/MeV between energies of 2 and 3 MeV that would be experienced by a geostationary satellite over the period of one day during solar maximum conditions.
- The input parameters are energy range, L-value and B/Bo where Bo is the magnetic field strength at the magnetic equator (minimum value).

AE8MAX / AP8MAX

Model: **AE8MAX** , Energy values: 2,3 L-values: 6.6 B/B0 values: 1

Output fluxes: **Differential**

Results of MODEL calculations:

differential flux [ELECTRONS/cm*cm*sec*MeV]

L \ E/MeV	2.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	B/B0=	1.00
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----- flux values below 10 are not reliable -----

Multiply differential flux by 86500 s (in one day)

$$(3.62 \times 10^4 \text{ e}^-/\text{cm}^2/\text{s}/\text{Mev}) * (86500 \text{ s}) * 1 \text{ Mev} = \underline{3.13 \times 10^9 \text{ e}^-/\text{cm}^2}$$

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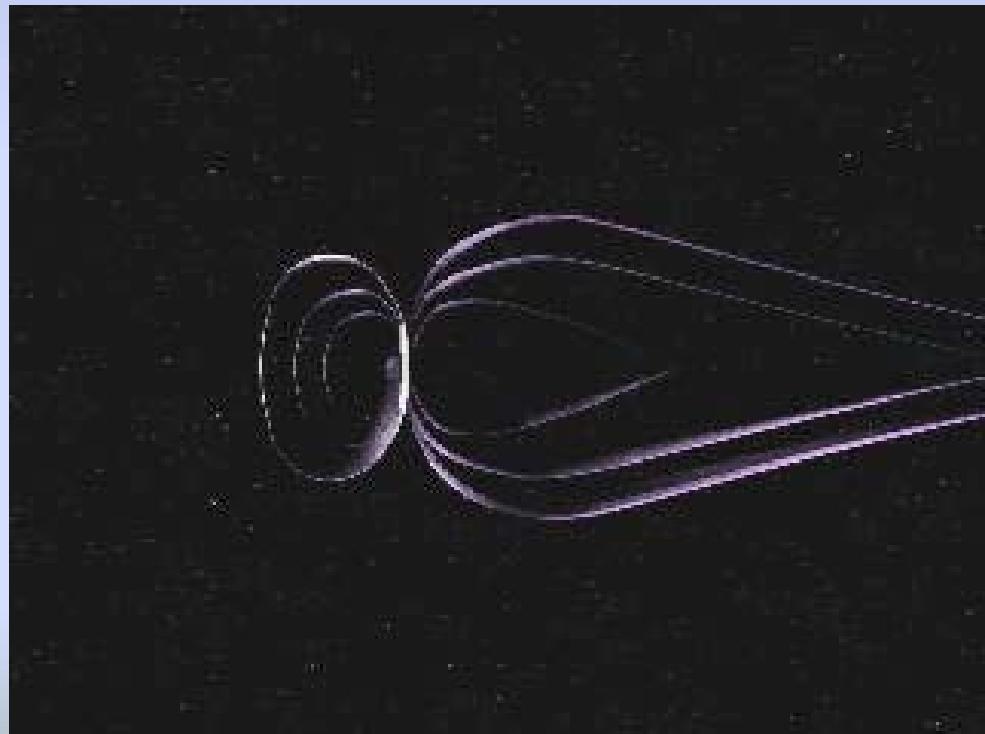
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COURSE TOPICS

C. THE GEOMAGNETIC FIELD - The main field and its origins; magnetic indices; S_q and L variations; magnetic disturbances.

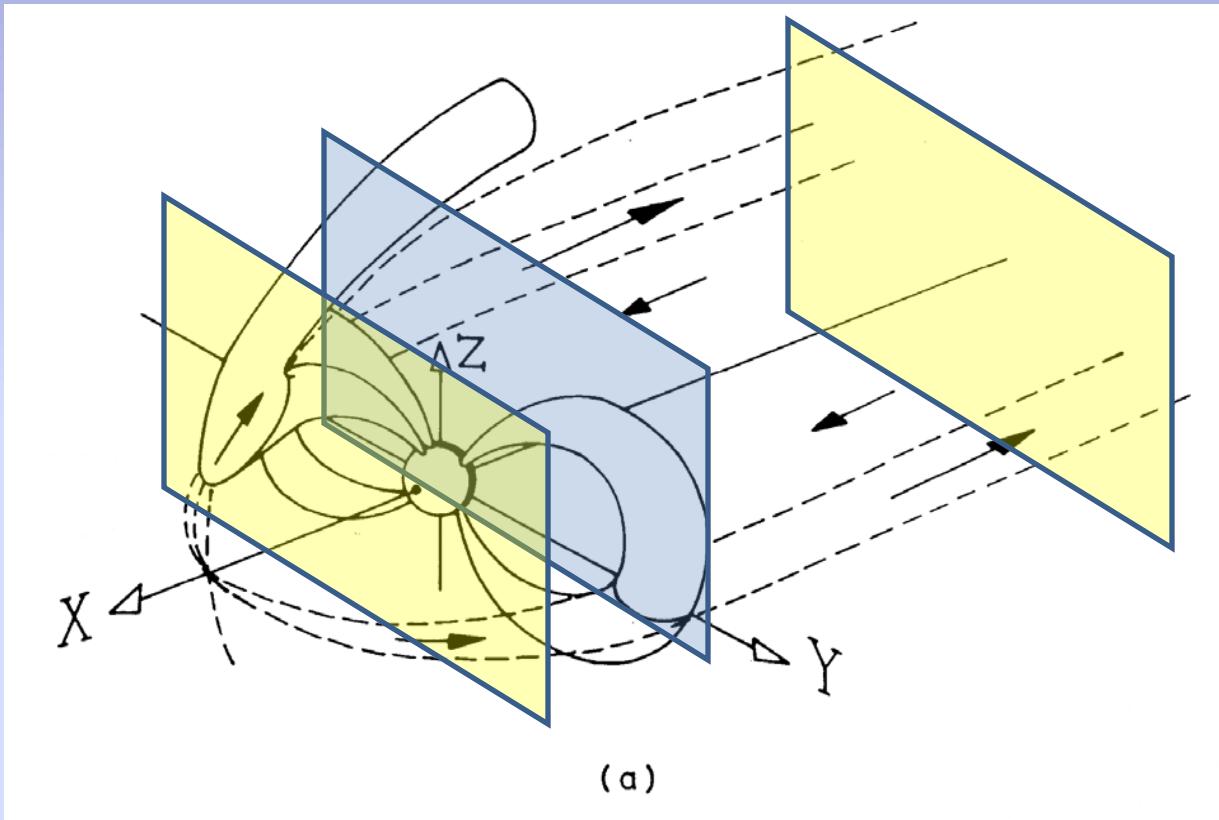
E. THE MAGNETOSPHERE - Bow shock; magnetosheath; magnetospheric currents; plasmasphere; magnetospheric convection; storms and substorms.

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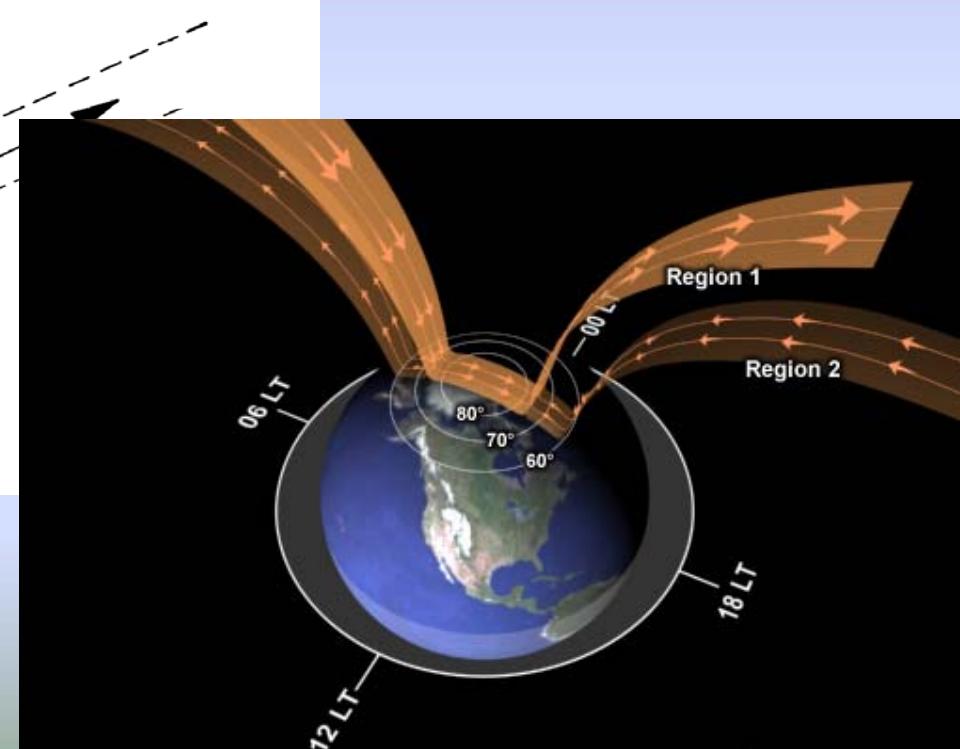
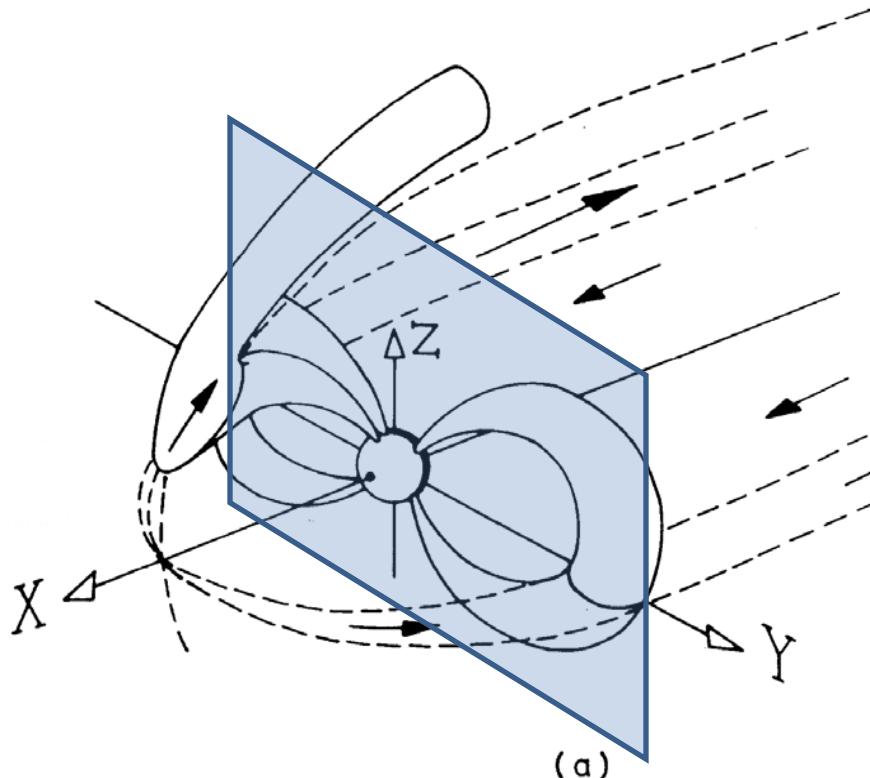


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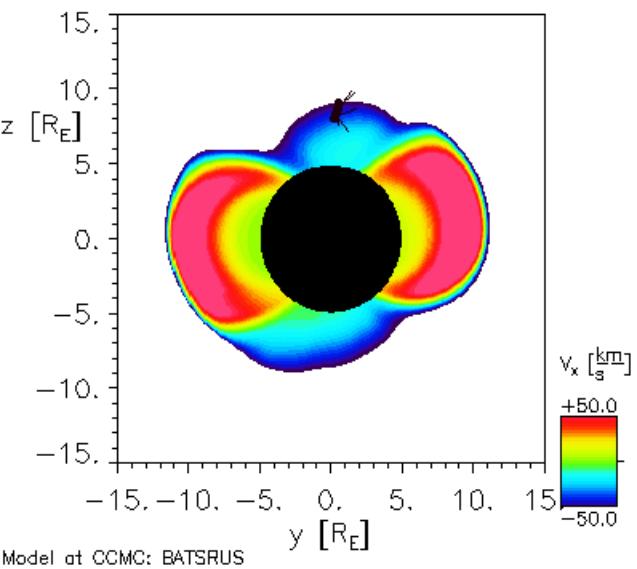
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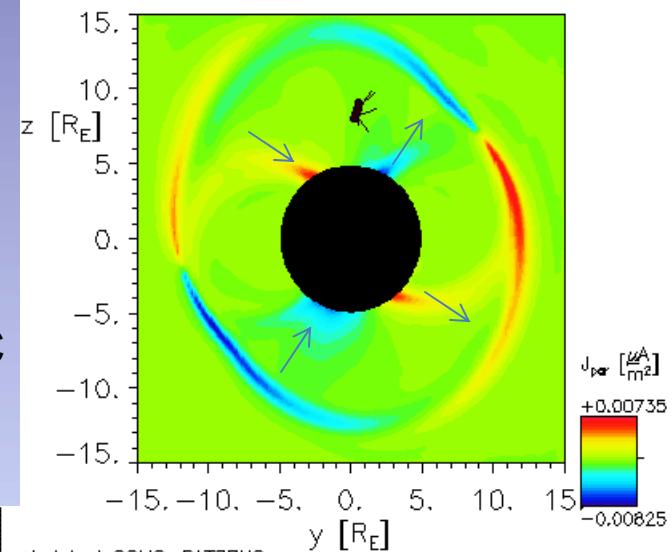


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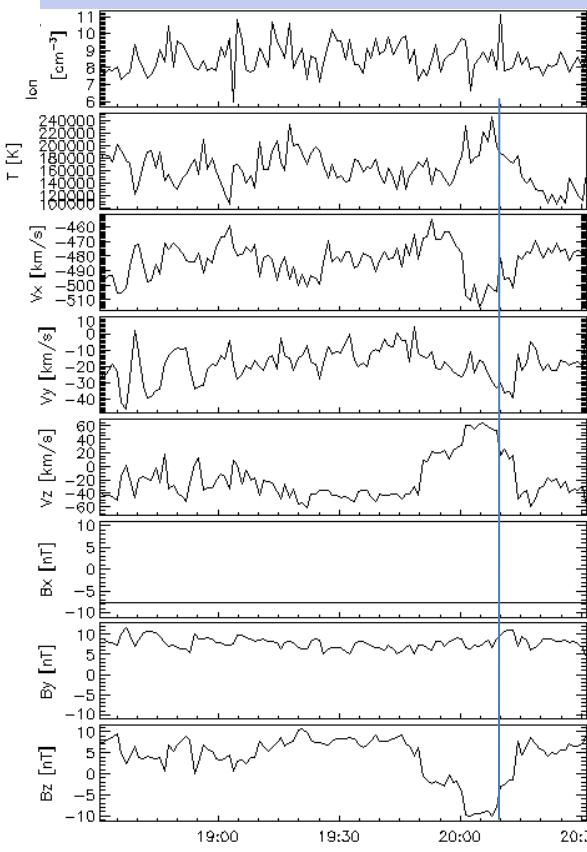


Plasma motion V_x

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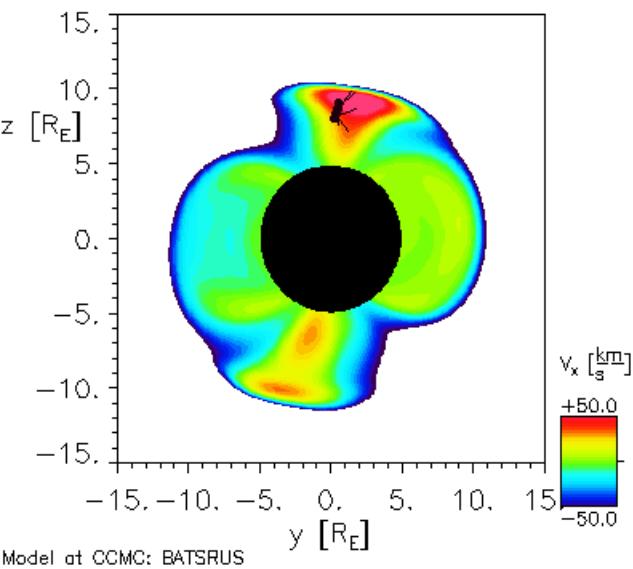
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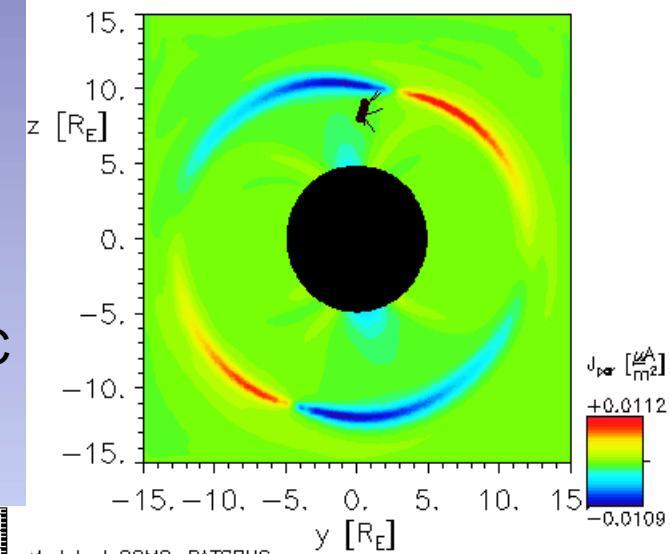
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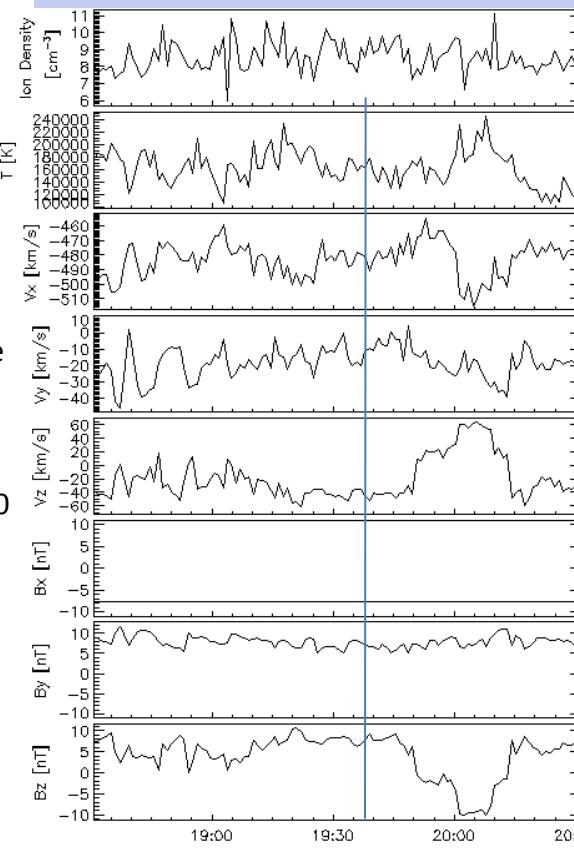
(ACE; at upstream boundary of simulation, no delays)

Vx plots at the X=1 RE YZ plane.

The IMF Bz is northward for this event with the exception for a shorter period of southward IMF.

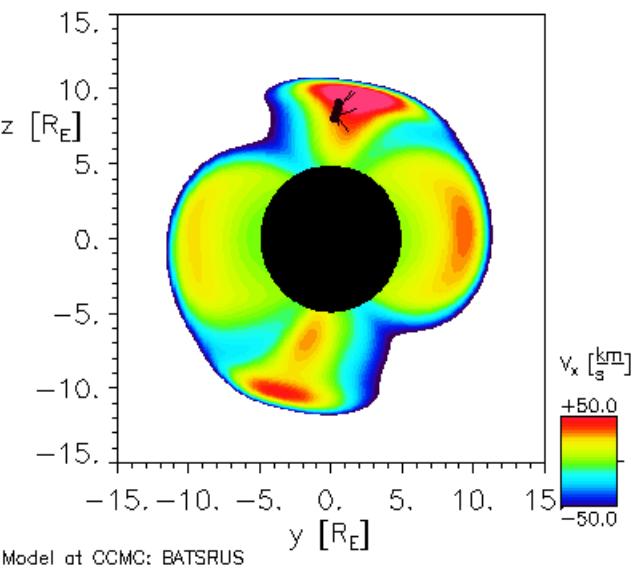
The southward turning occurred just after 1950 UT and at ~ 2000 UT IMF Bz gets even stronger southward.

The Bz turns northward again during 2010-2015 UT.



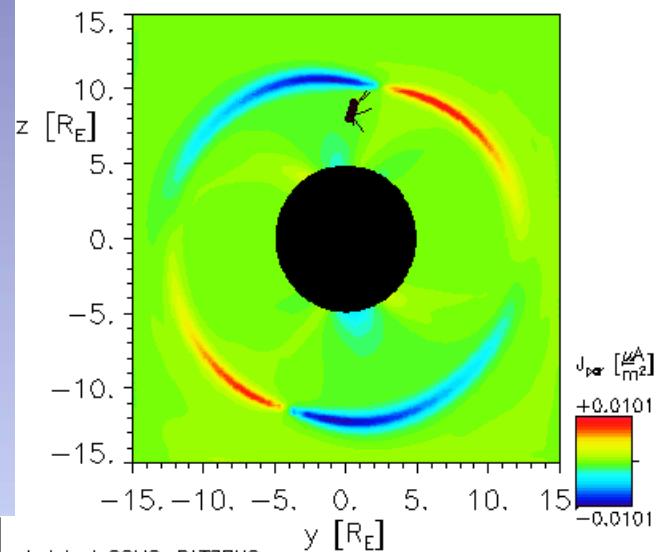
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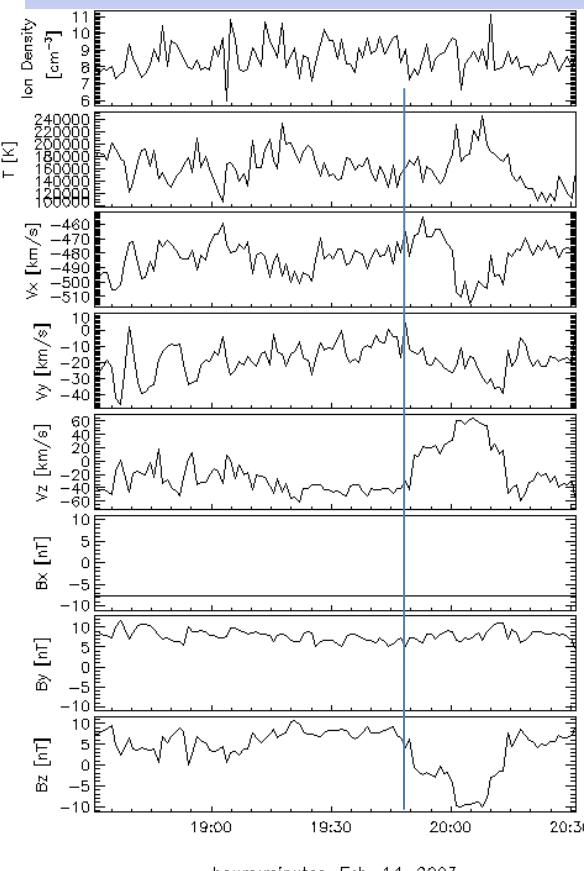


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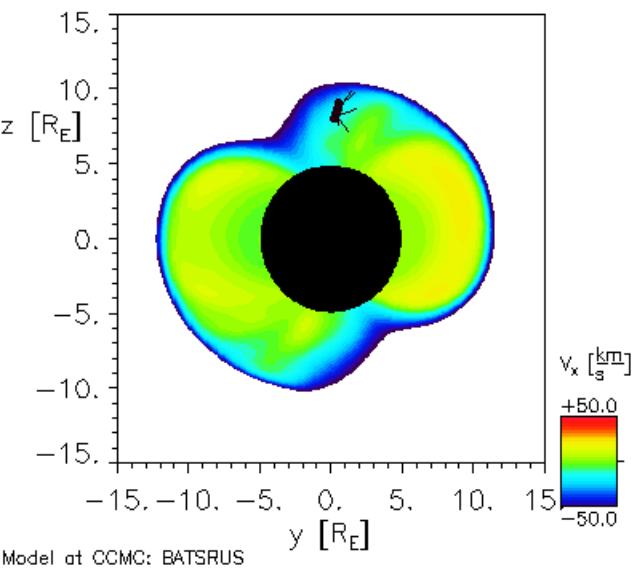


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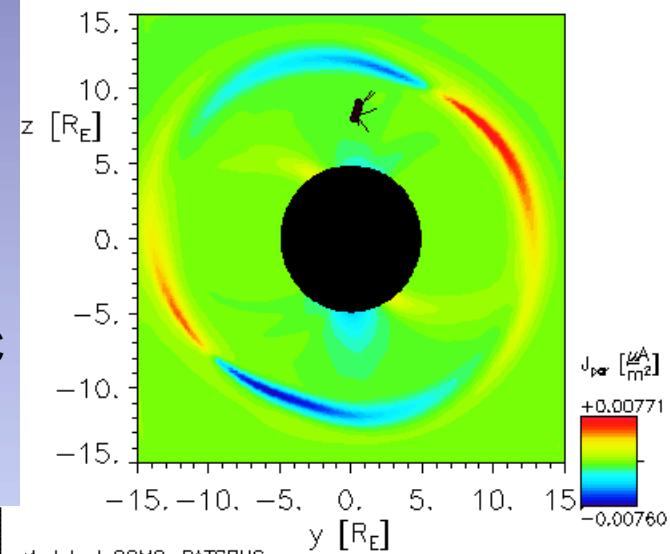
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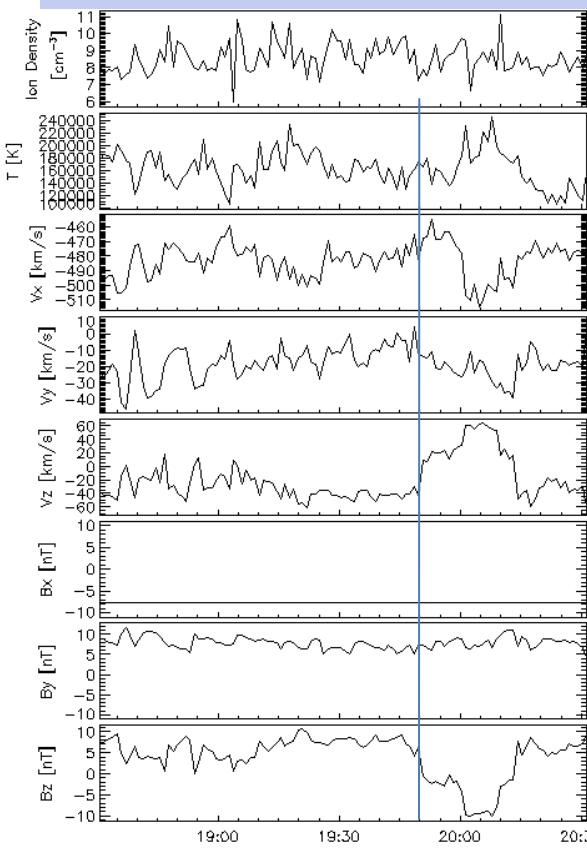
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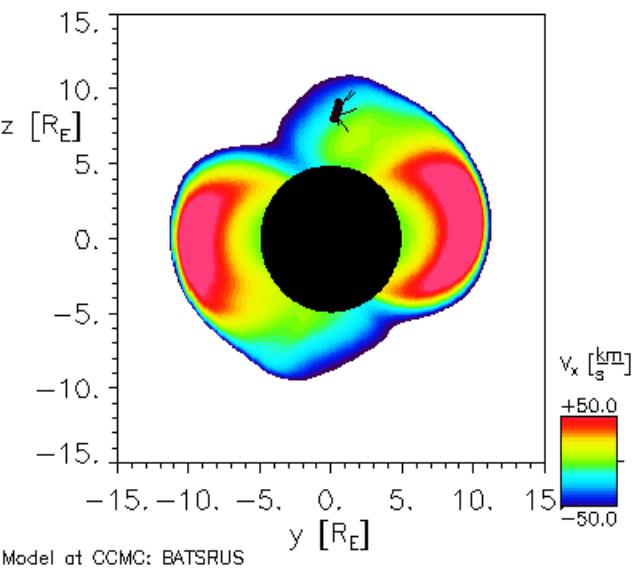
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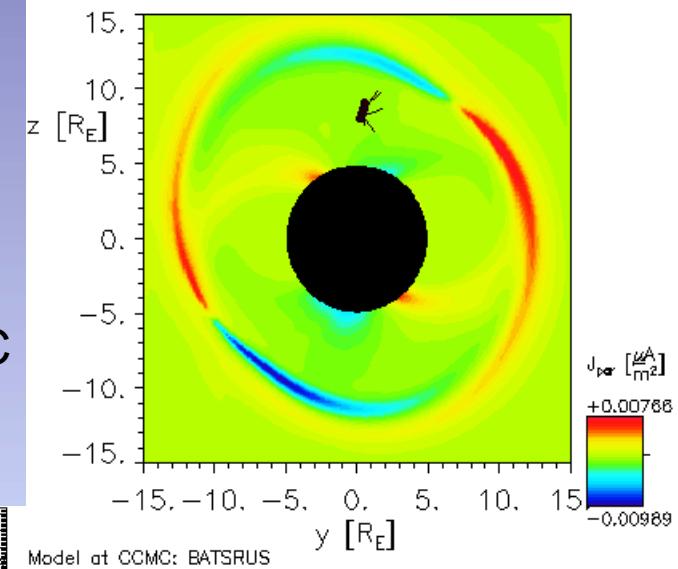


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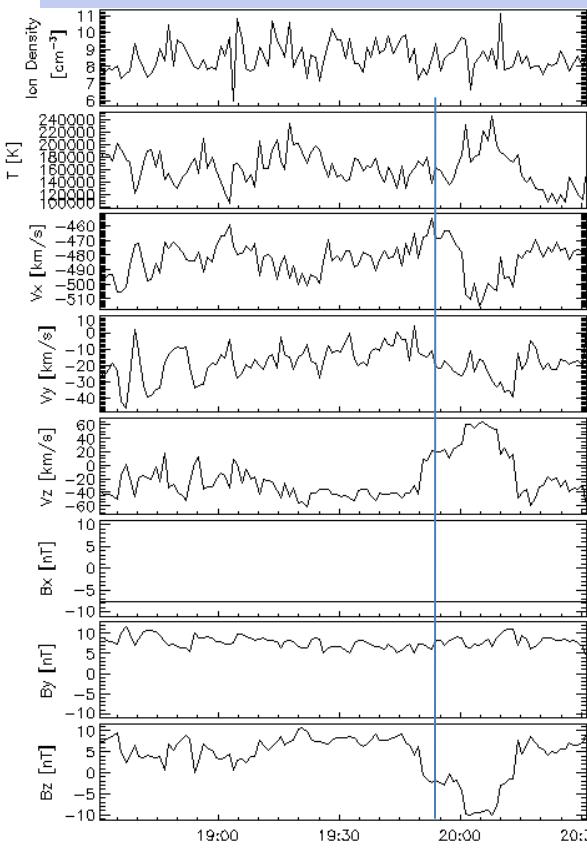
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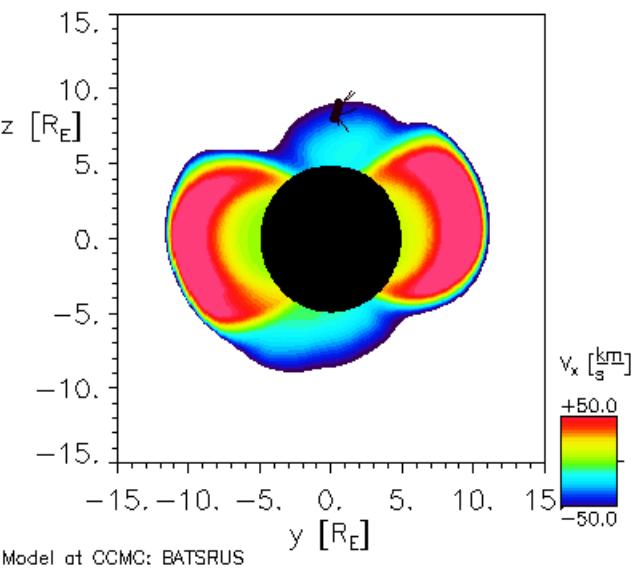
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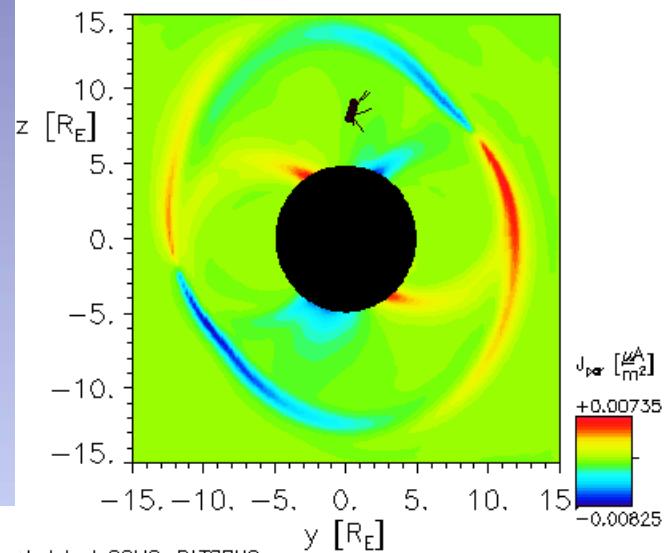


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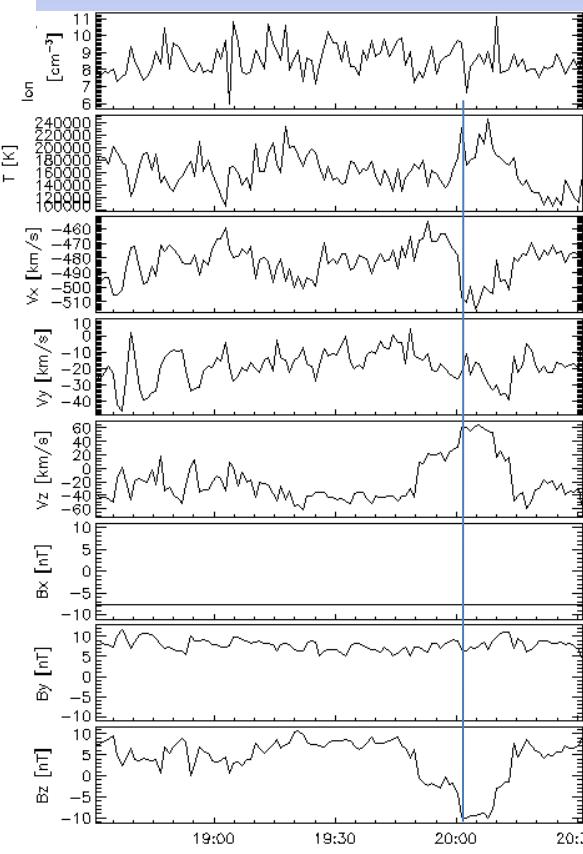
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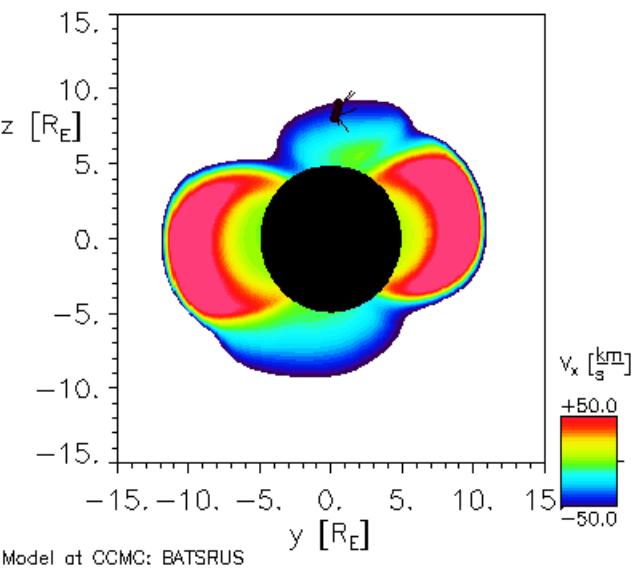
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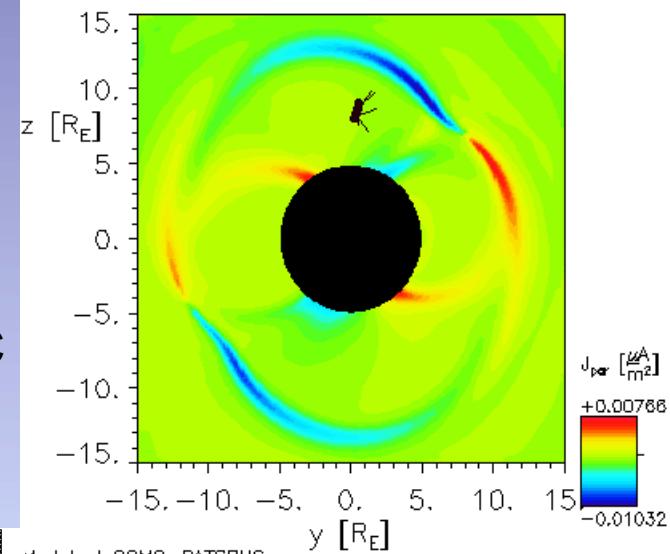


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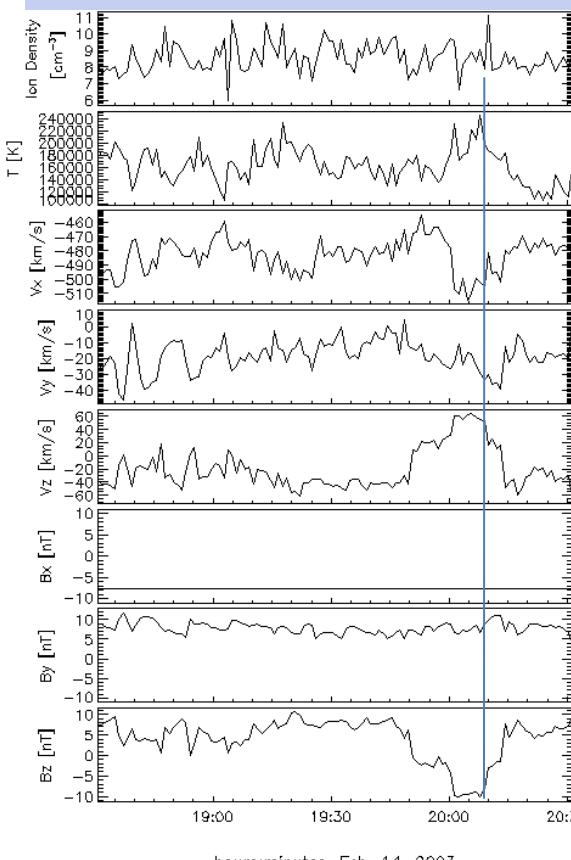
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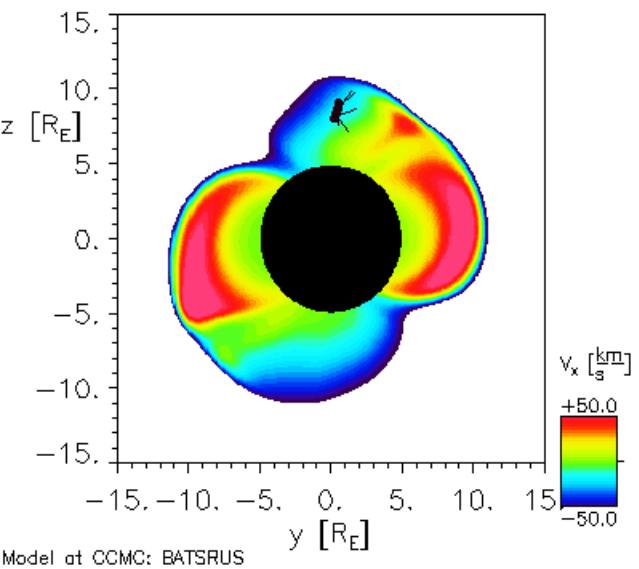
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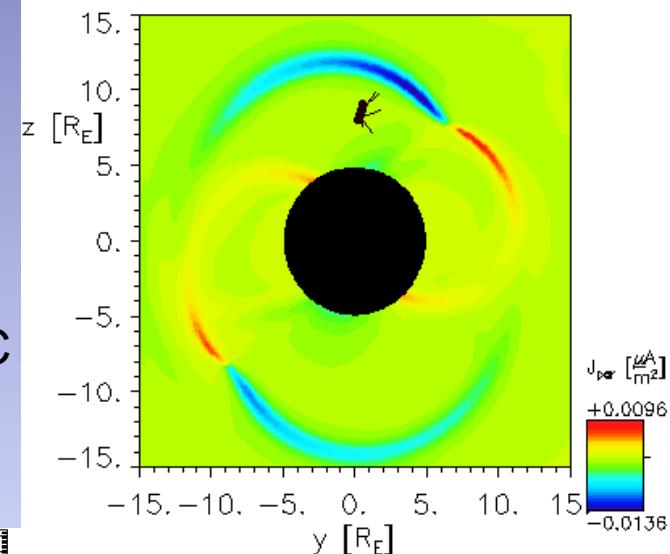


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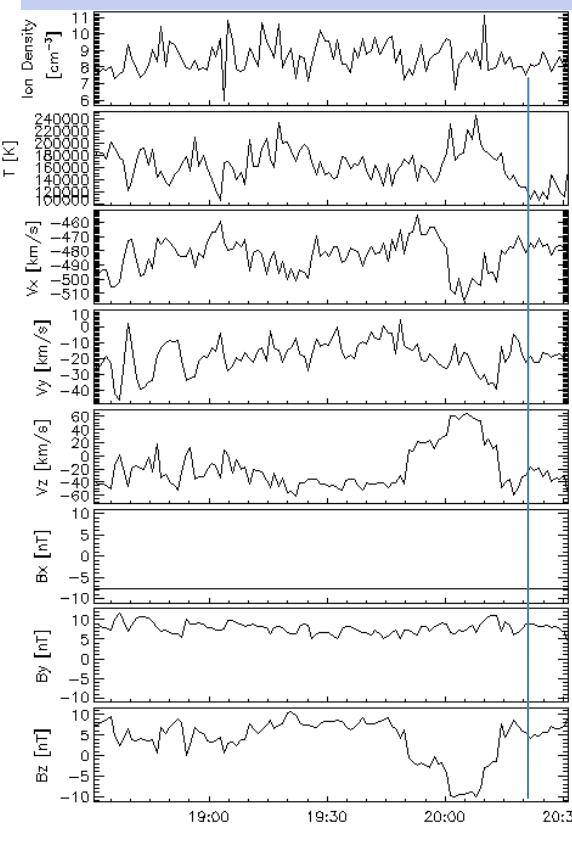
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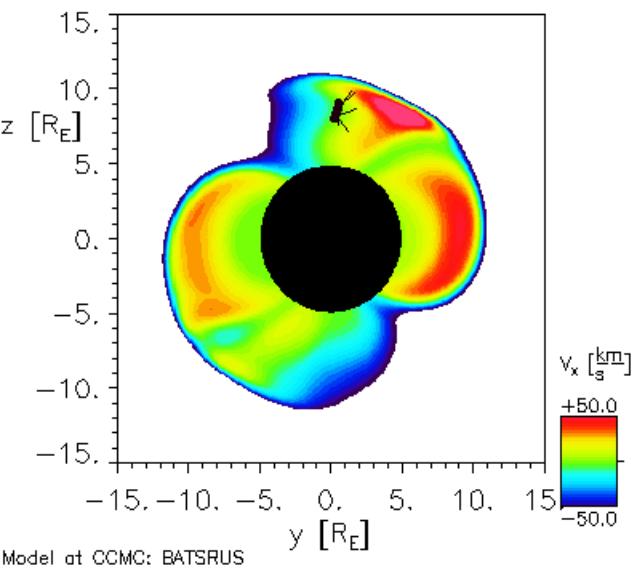
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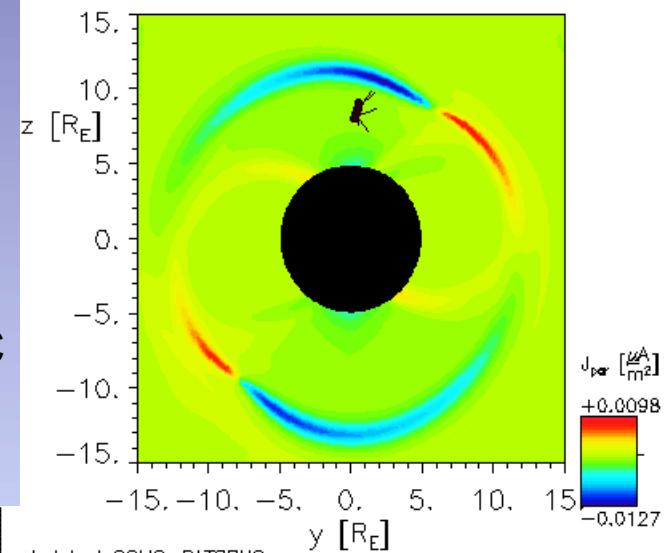


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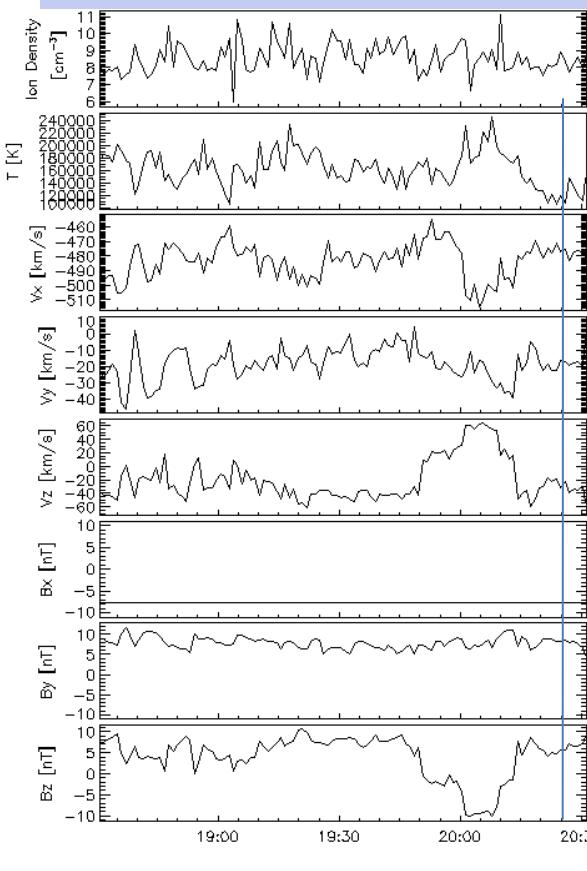
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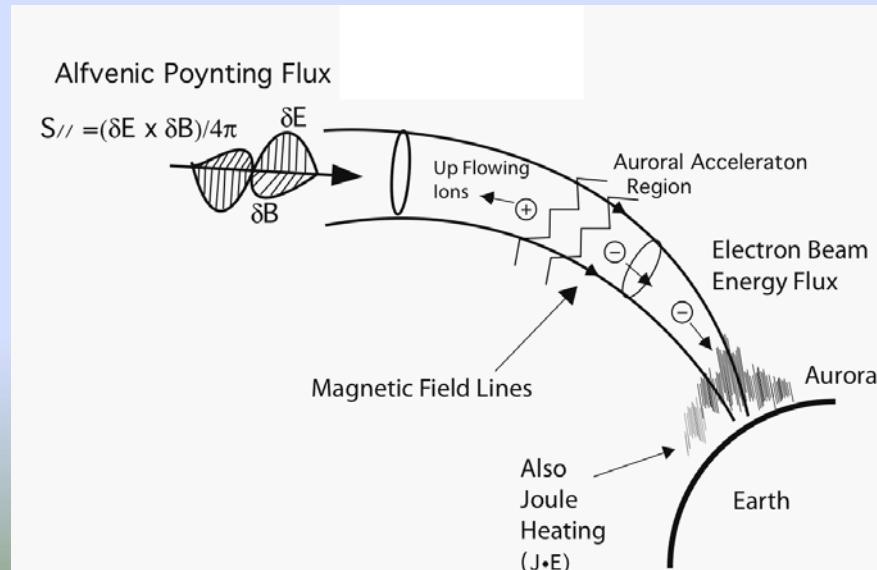
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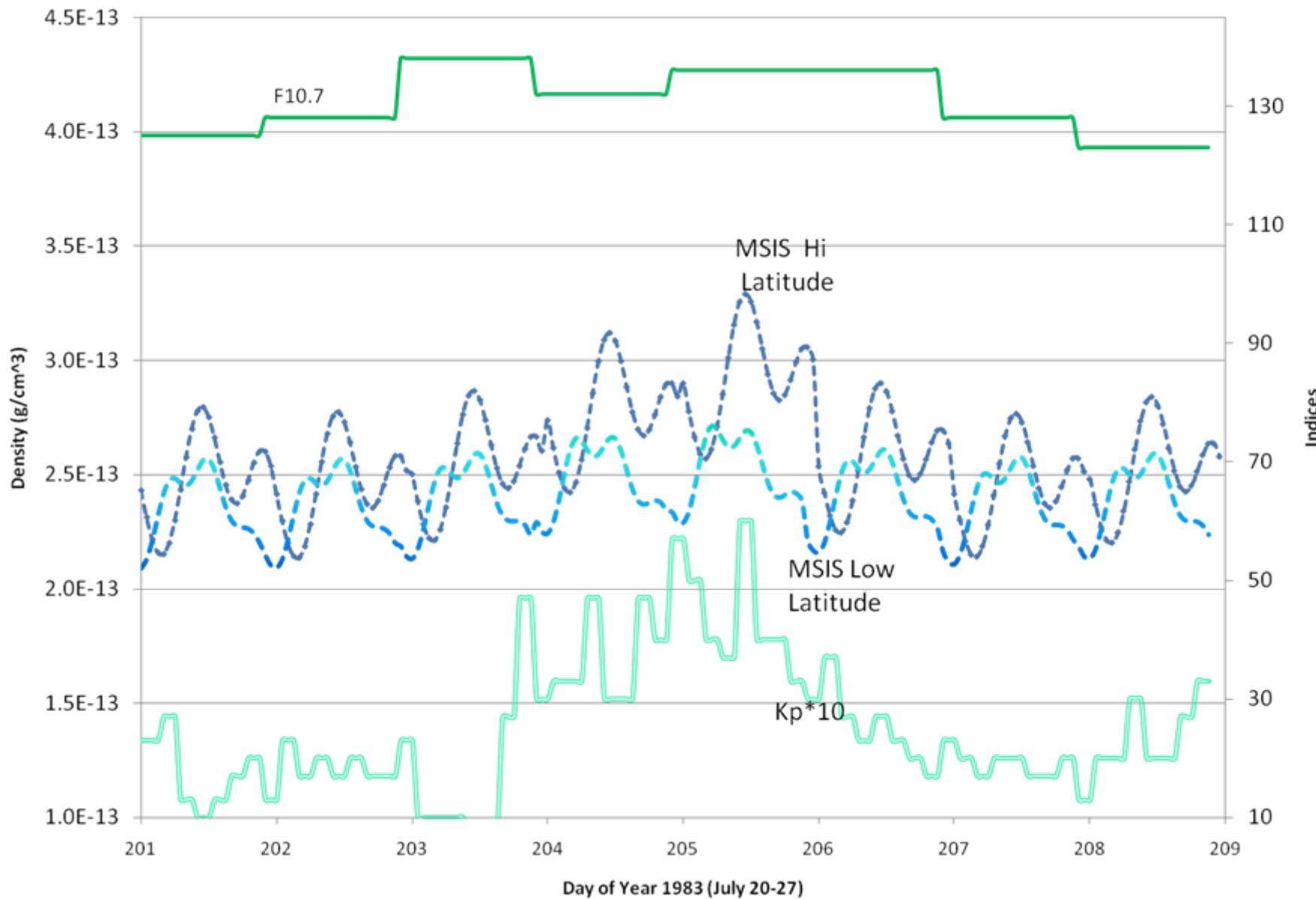
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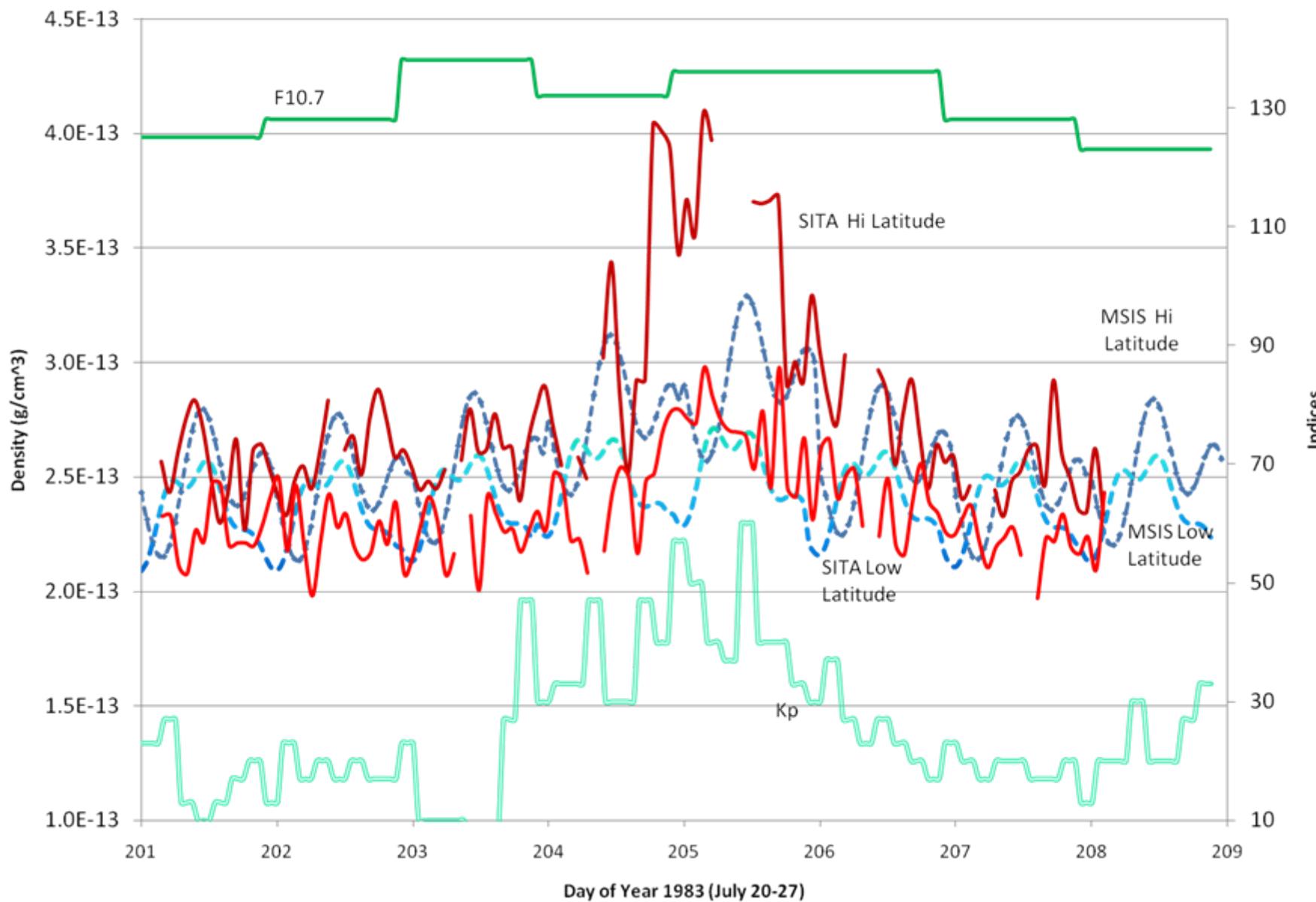
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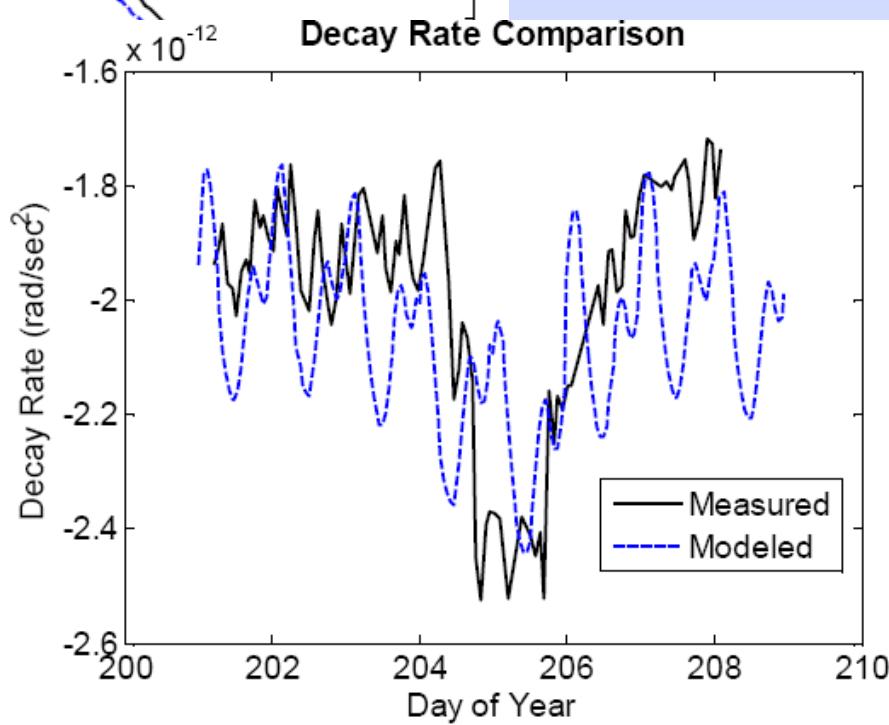
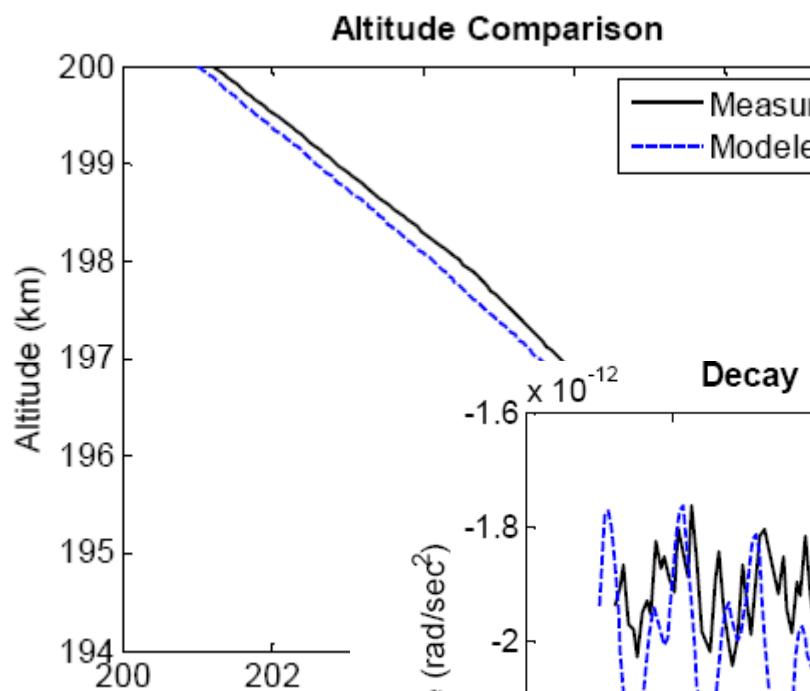
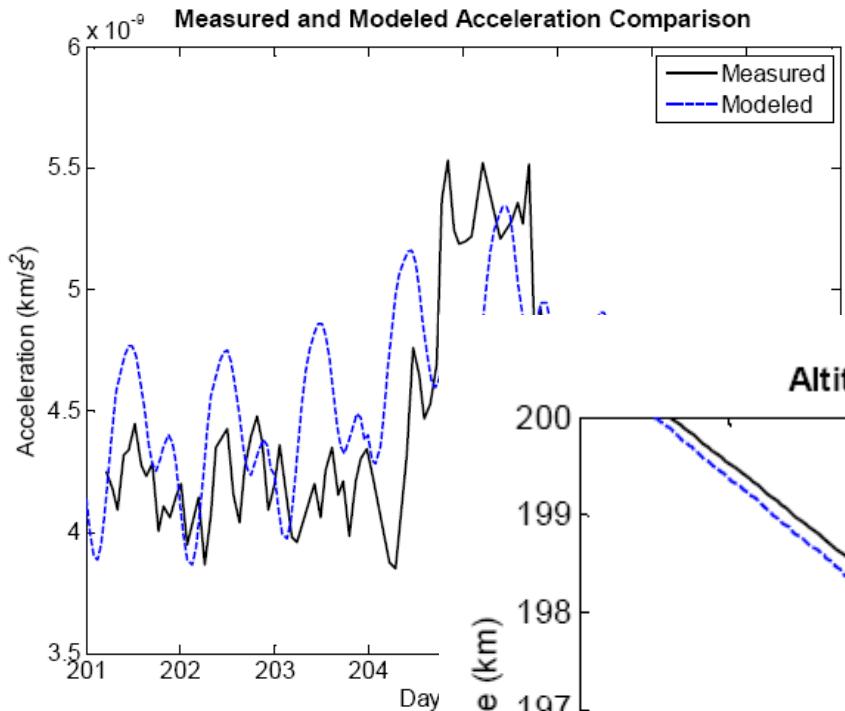


Nightside MSIS Model Neutral Density, July 20-27 1983



Dayside Observed and Model Neutral Density, July 20-27 1983

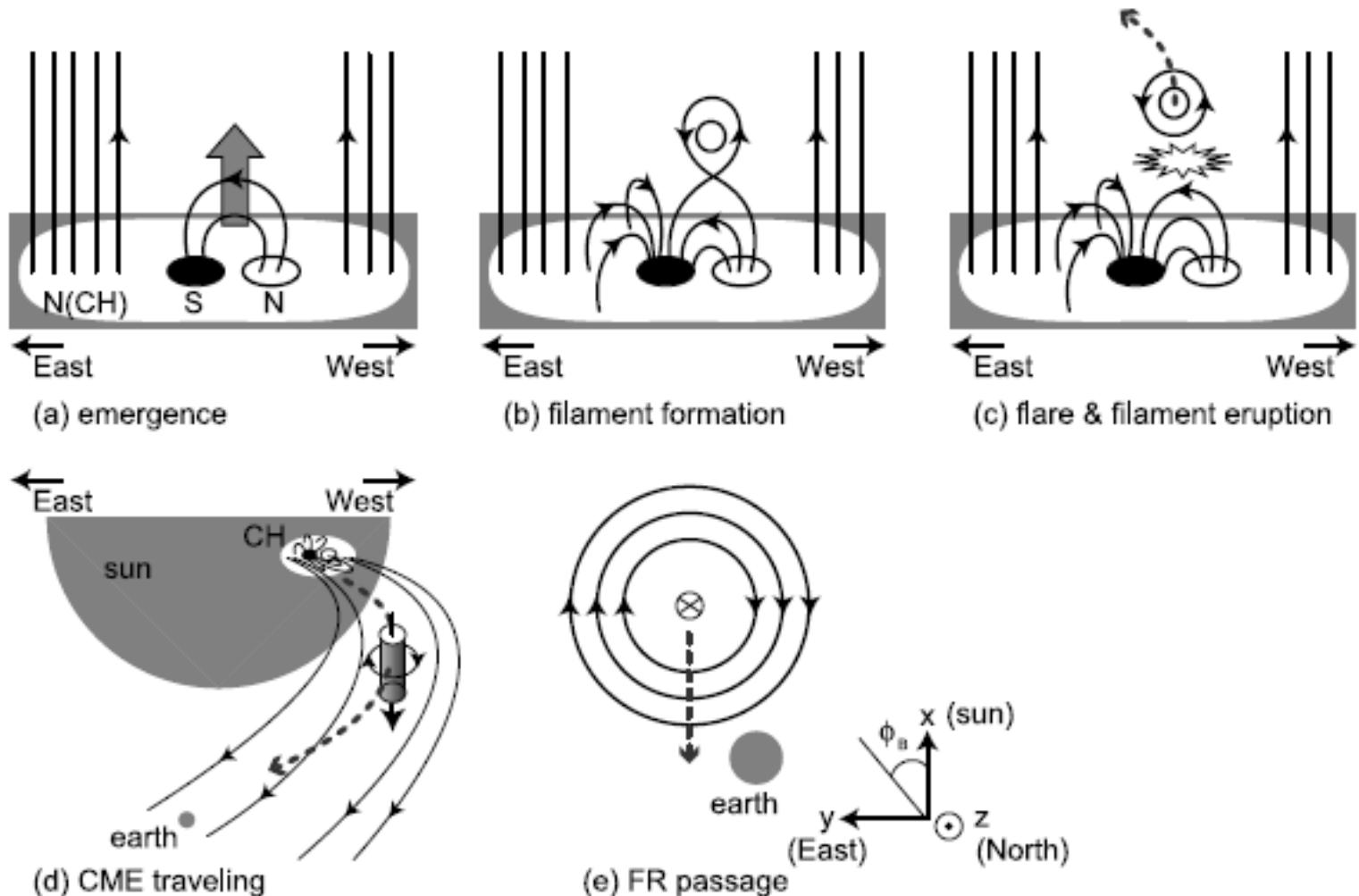




Advanced Studies

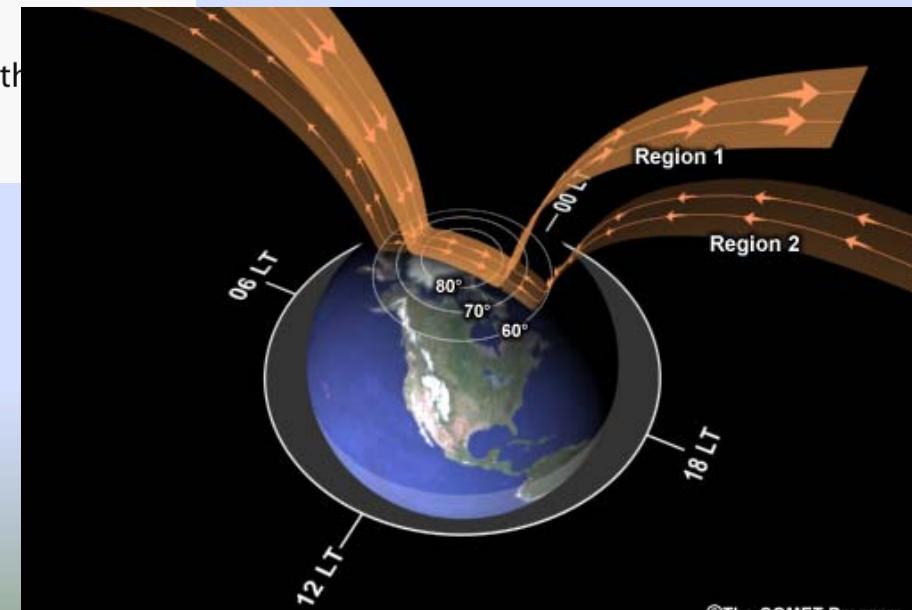
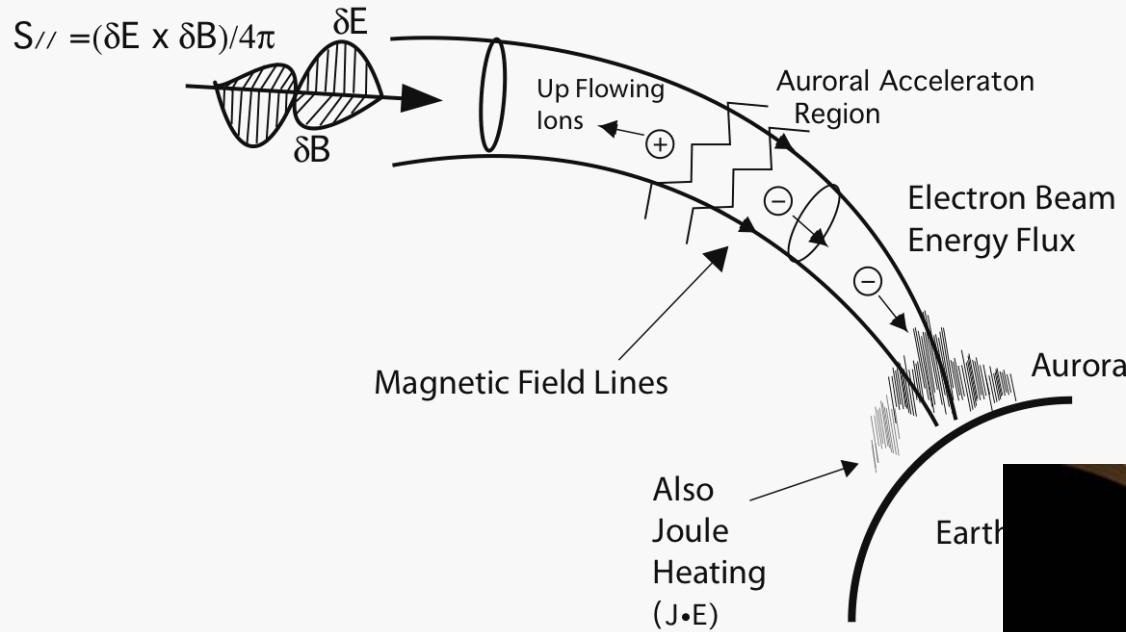
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 - AFIT and CU and ???
 - CCMC Calculations
 - Poynting Flux
 - Joule Heat
 - Global
 - Local-Along Track
 - Model Combinations
- Storm Studies
 - NADIR
 - SWARM ??

Flux rope within a coronal hole

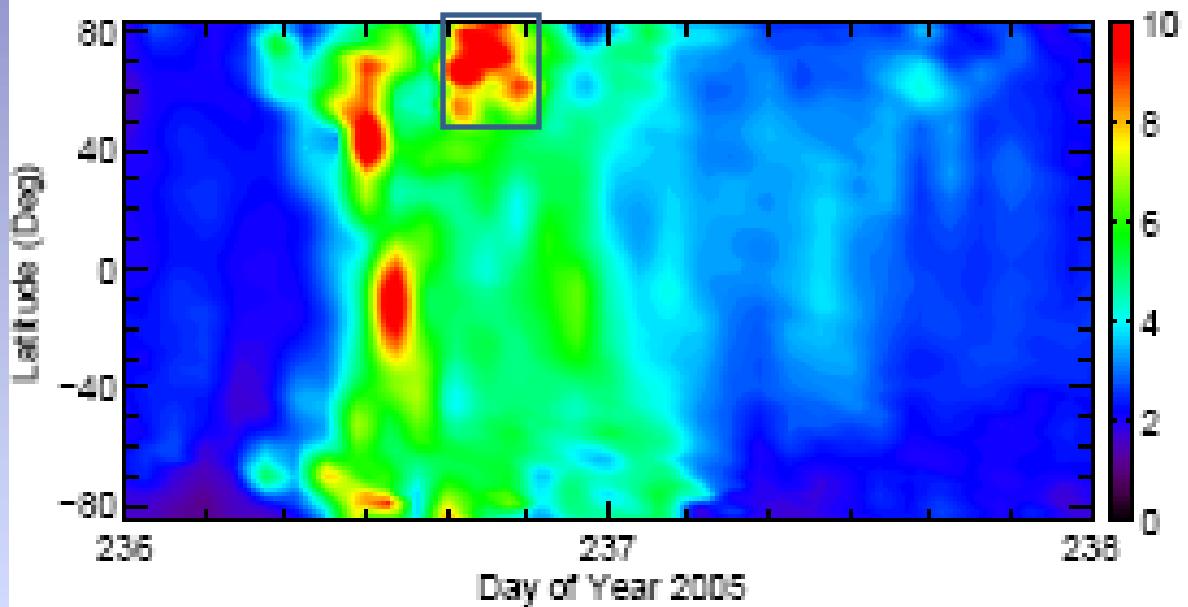


MIT Coupling

Alfvenic Poynting Flux

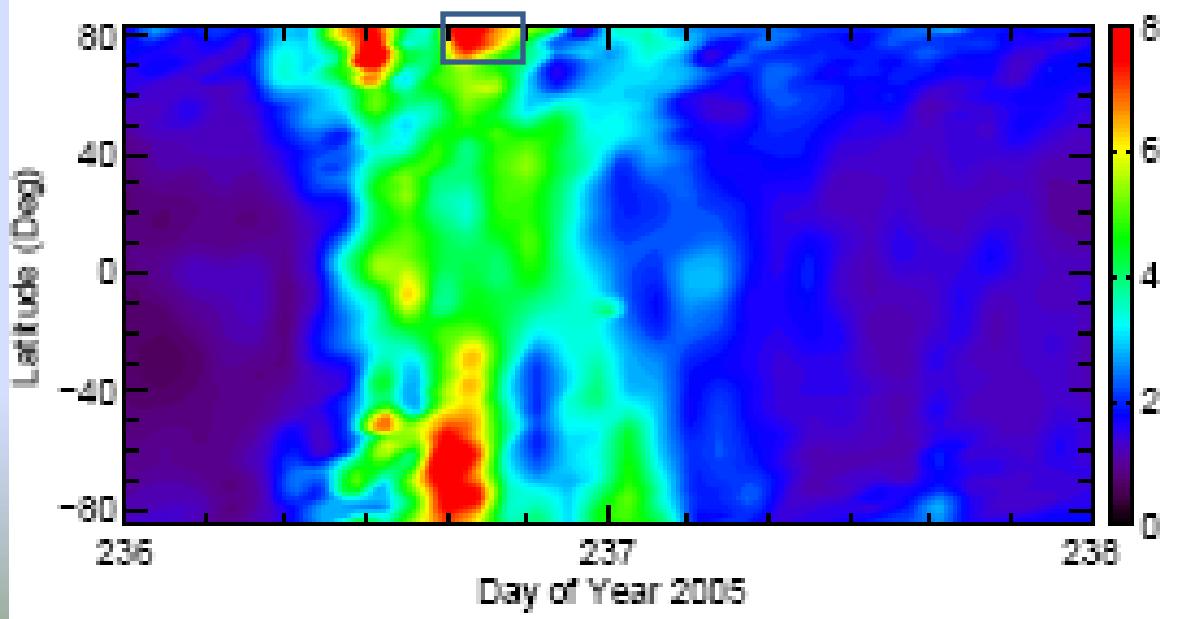


CHAMP LT= 11.8



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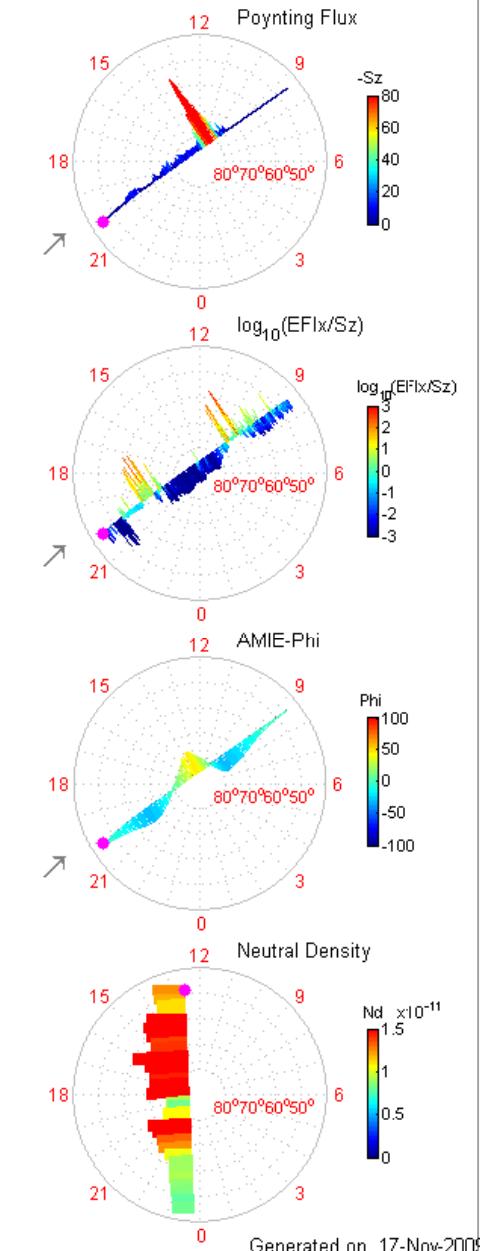
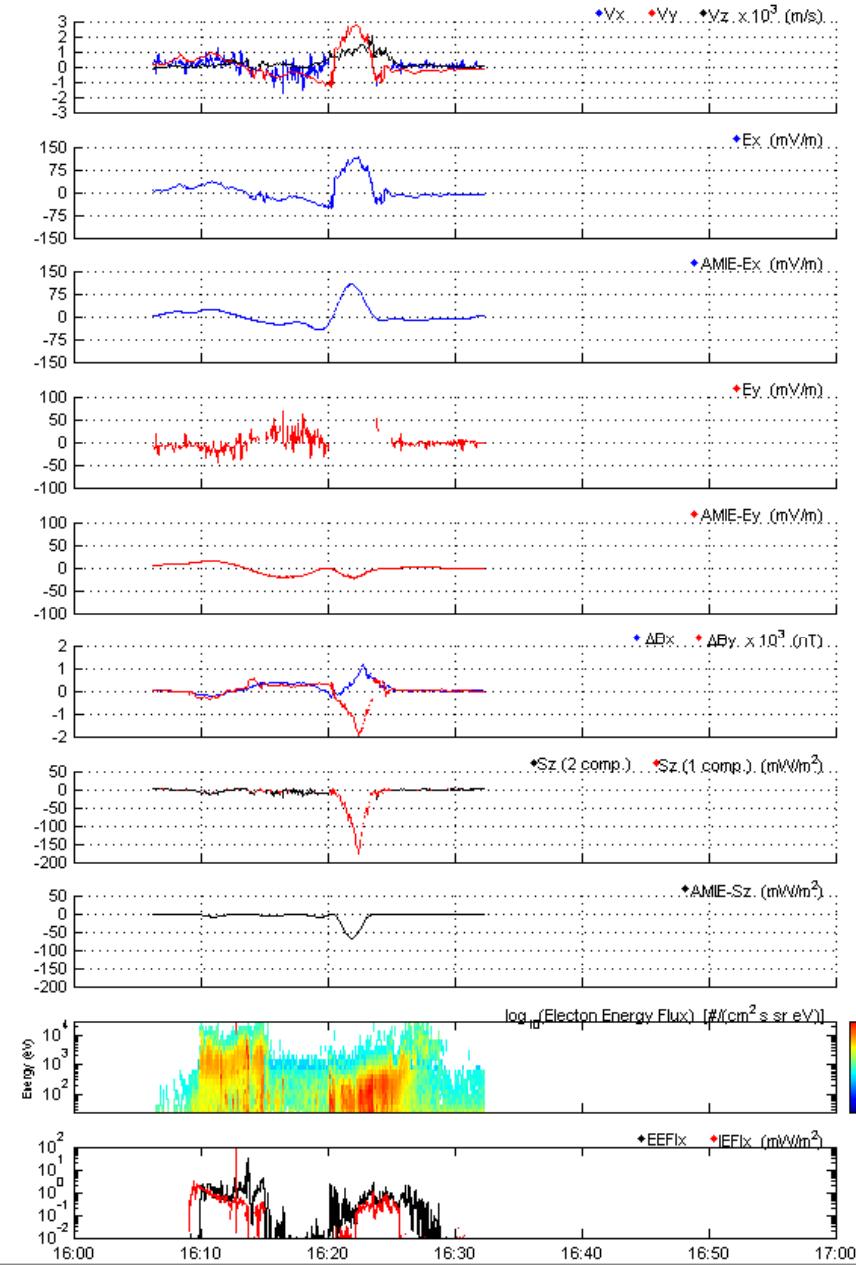
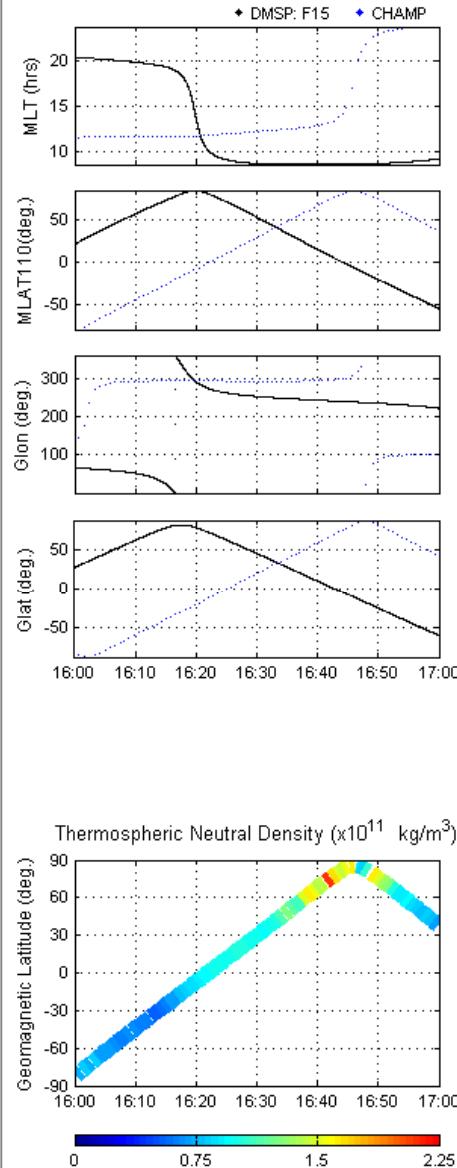
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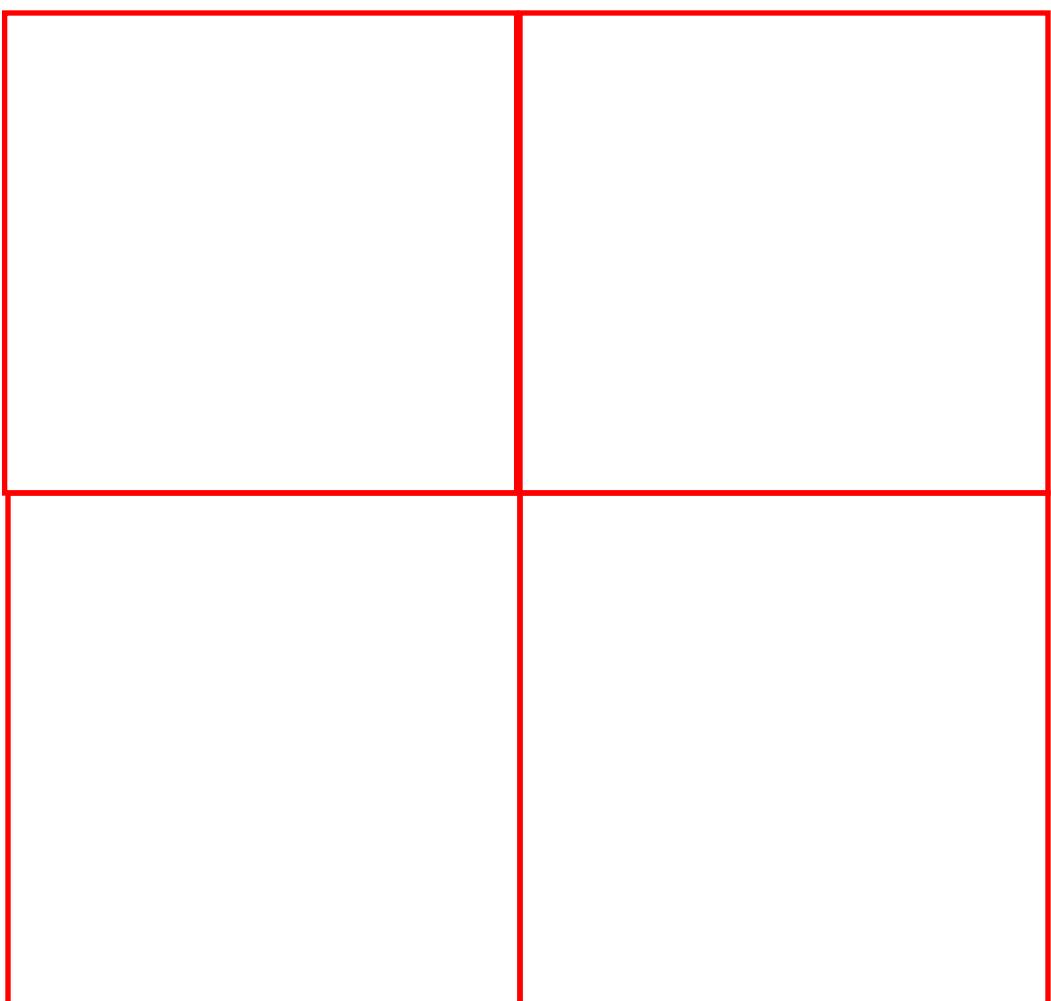
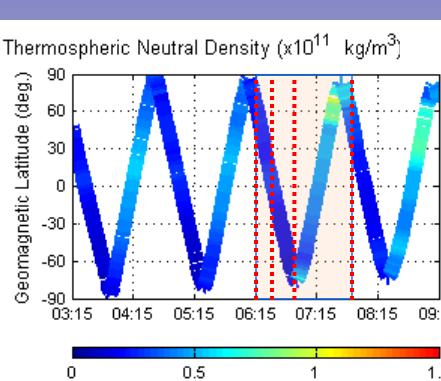
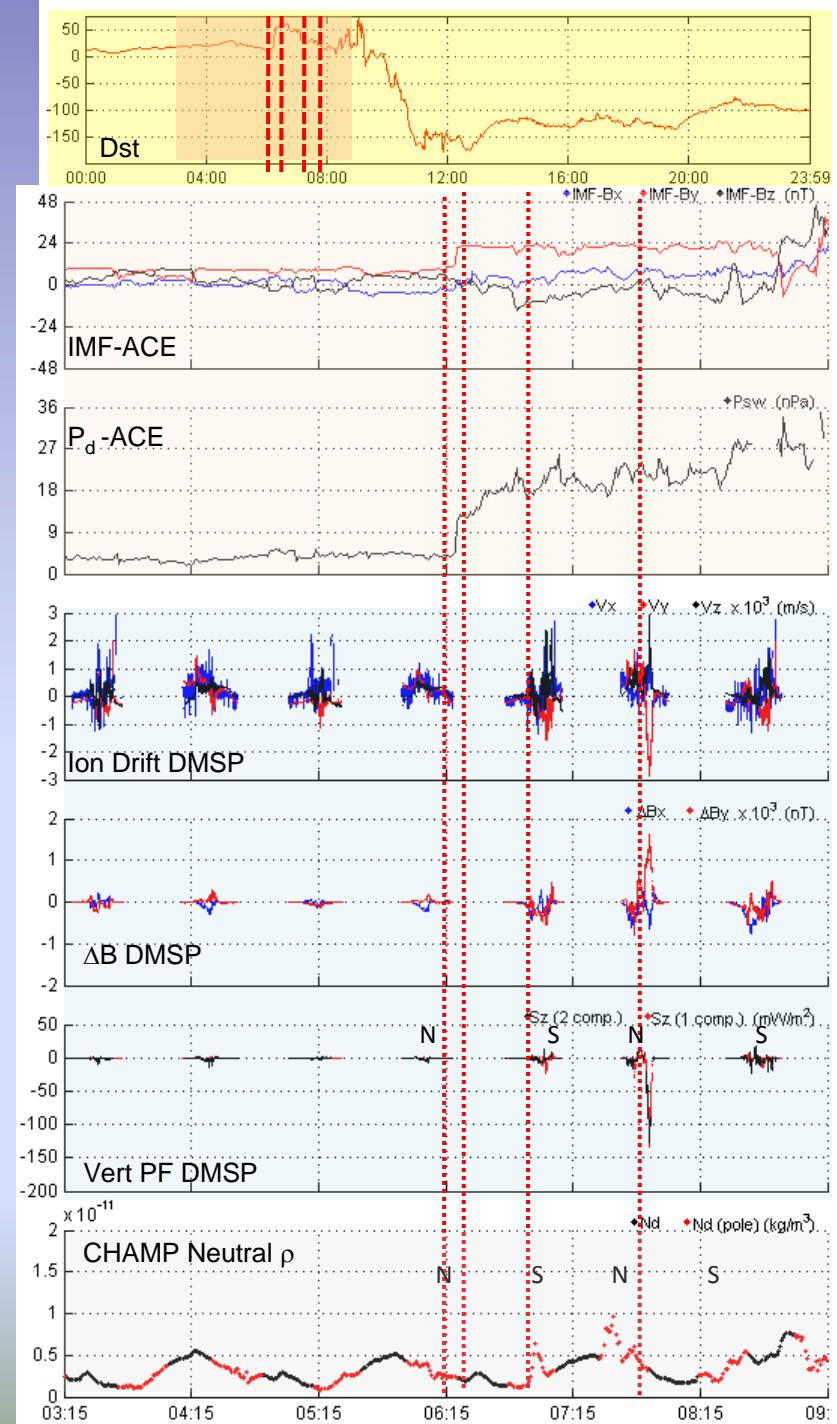
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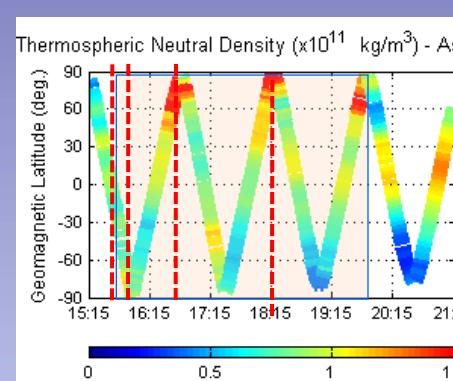
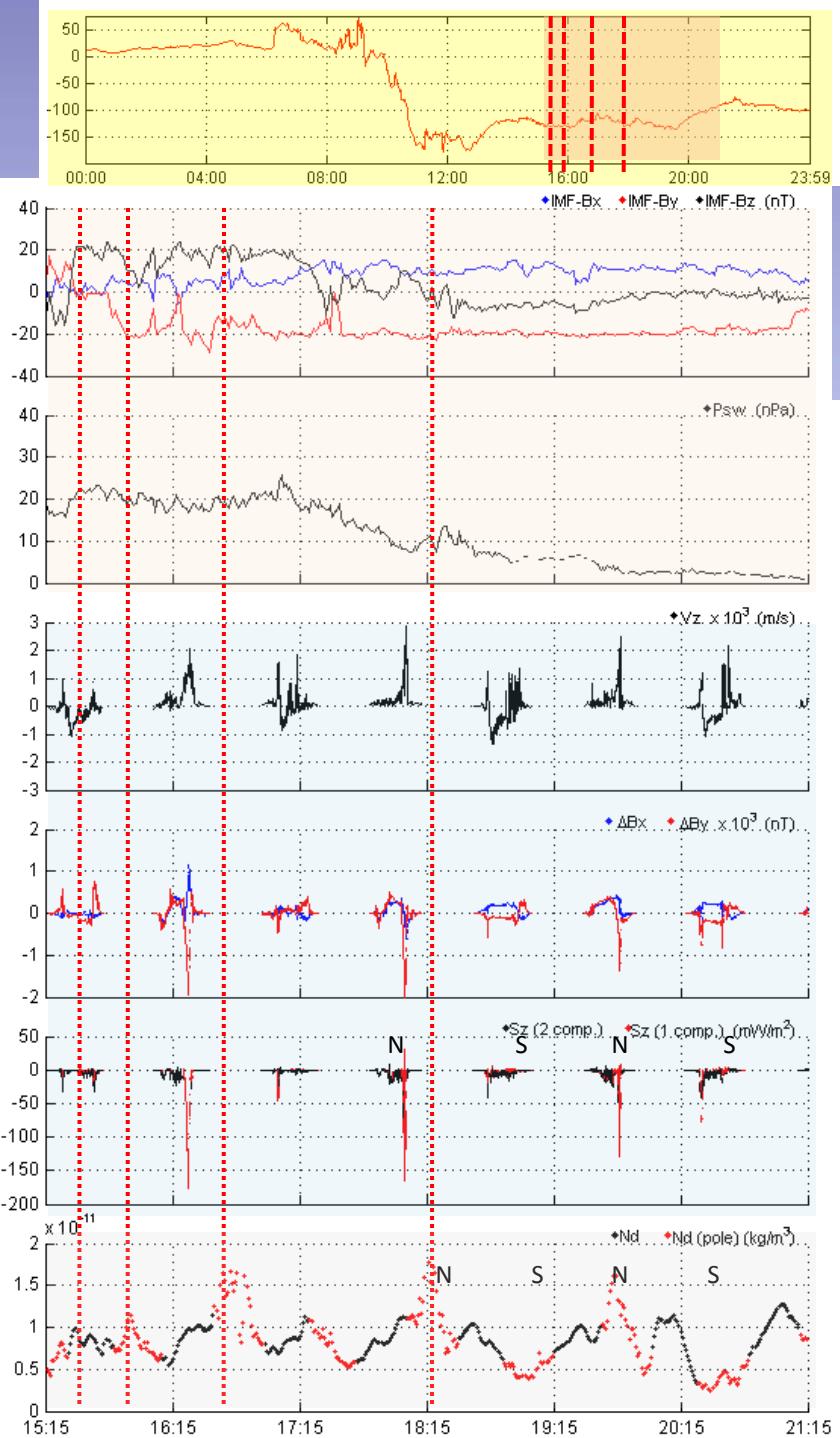
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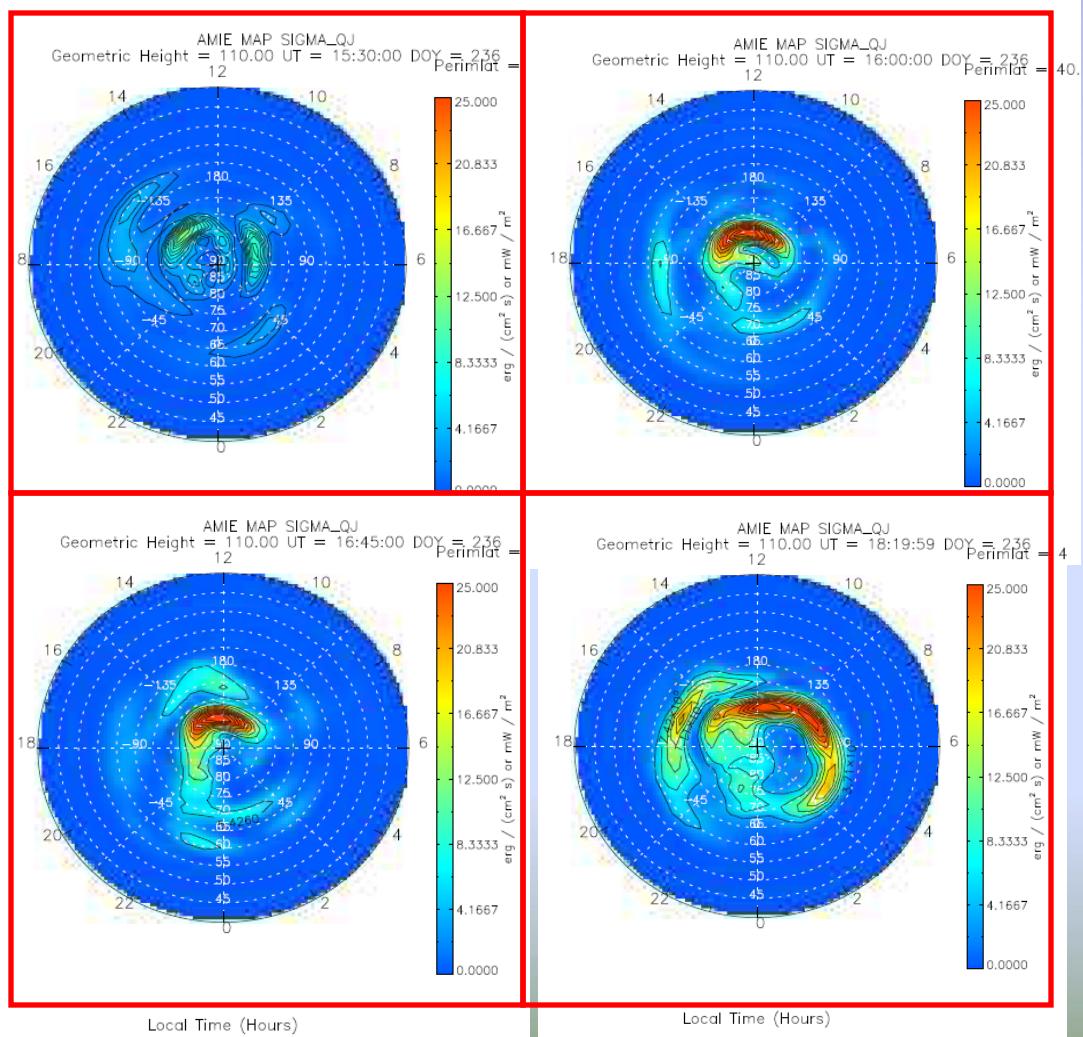
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Summary

- **CU Aerospace Environment Course**
 - Technically savvy, novice students
 - Very engaged provided with right motivation
- **CCMC Model Web Provides Access to**
 - Static Models
 - Reinforce basic physics, Specify climatology
 - order of magnitude values, units ,etc
- **CCMC Runs on Request**

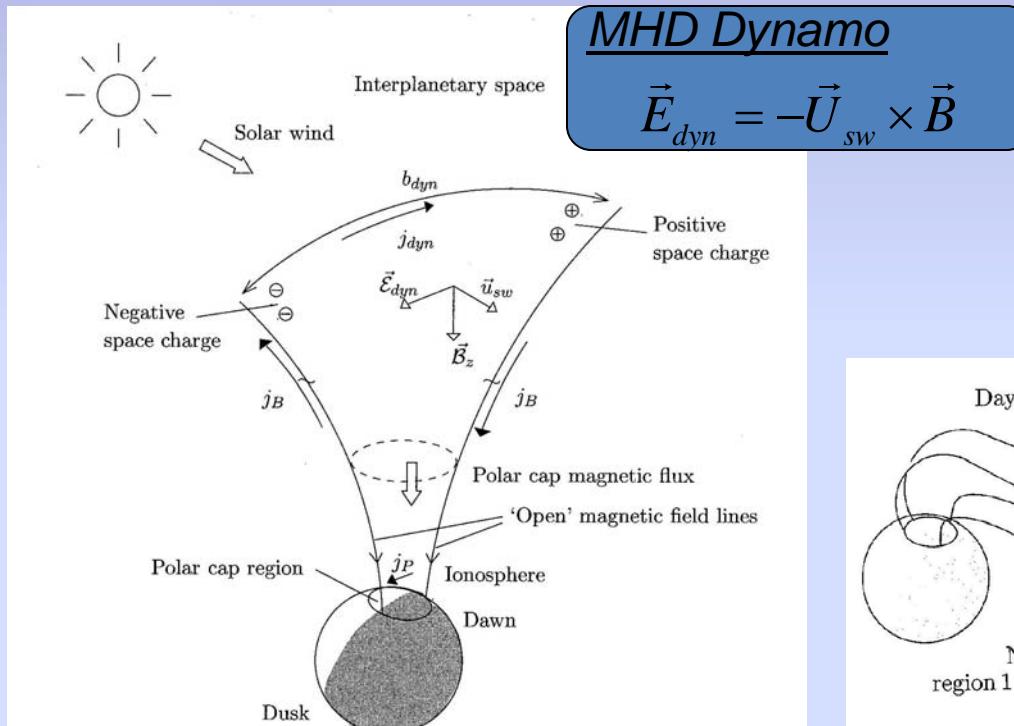
Visualize time varying, complex, 3-D systems

Verification and Validation Projects

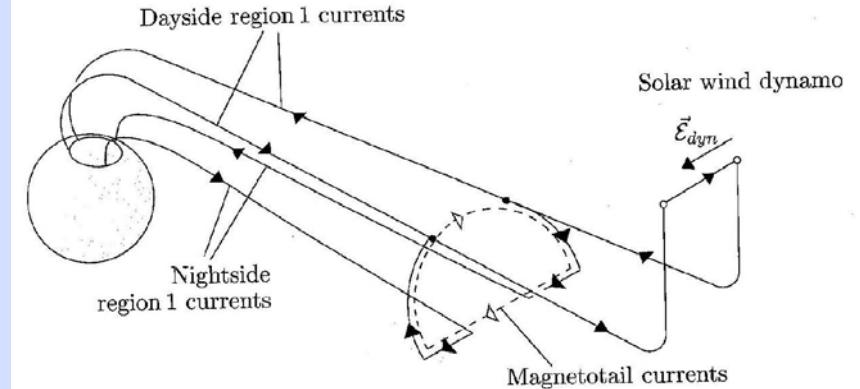
Huge “Thank You” to CCMC Staff!

Region-1 Current System

The magnetic field lines are highly conducting, and so it is natural that the magnetosphere seeks some closure of current through an ionospheric route. In fact, the so-called Region 1 currents are necessary if we are to require the polar ionosphere to convect with the magnetic field lines:

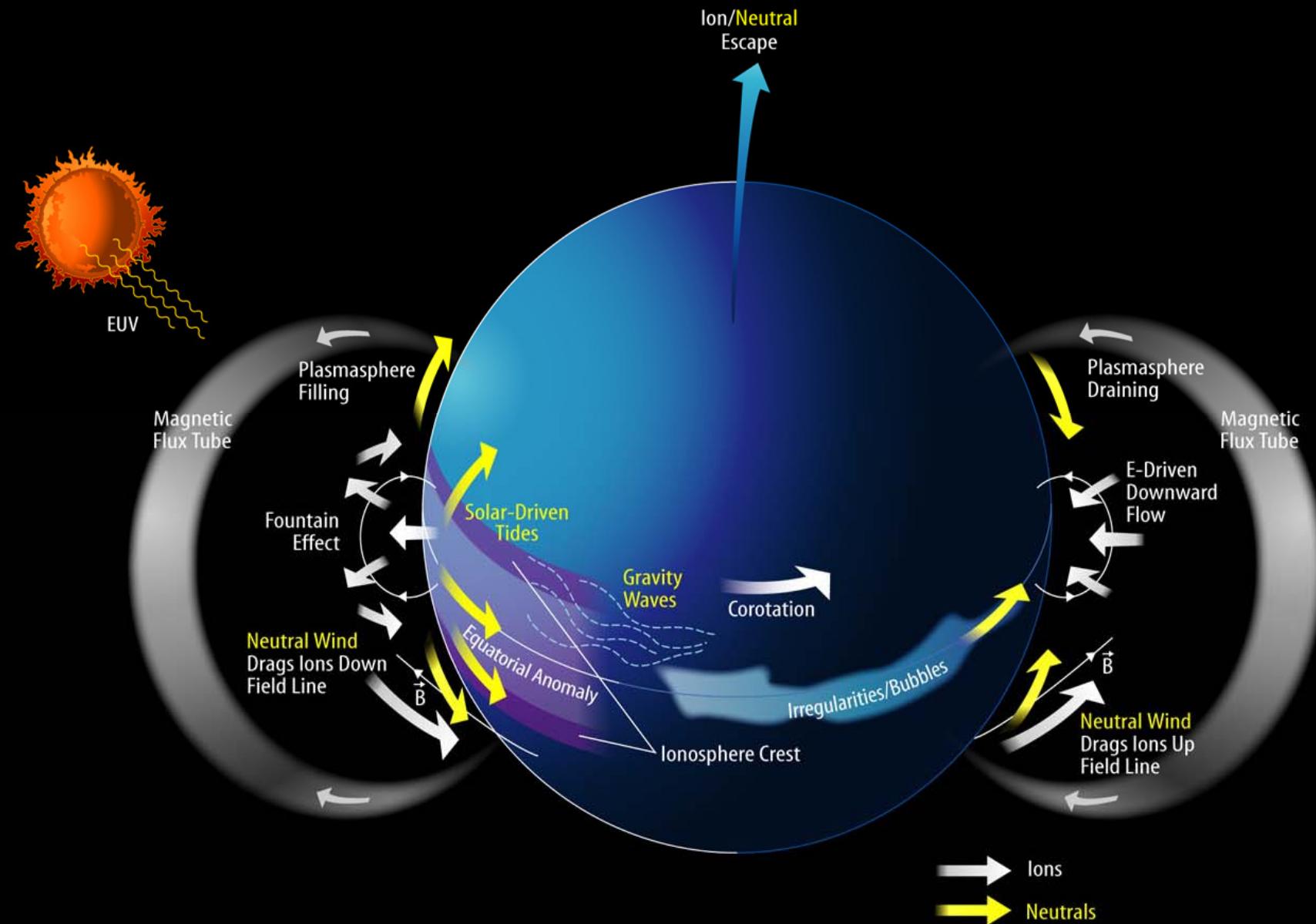


Region 1 Configuration

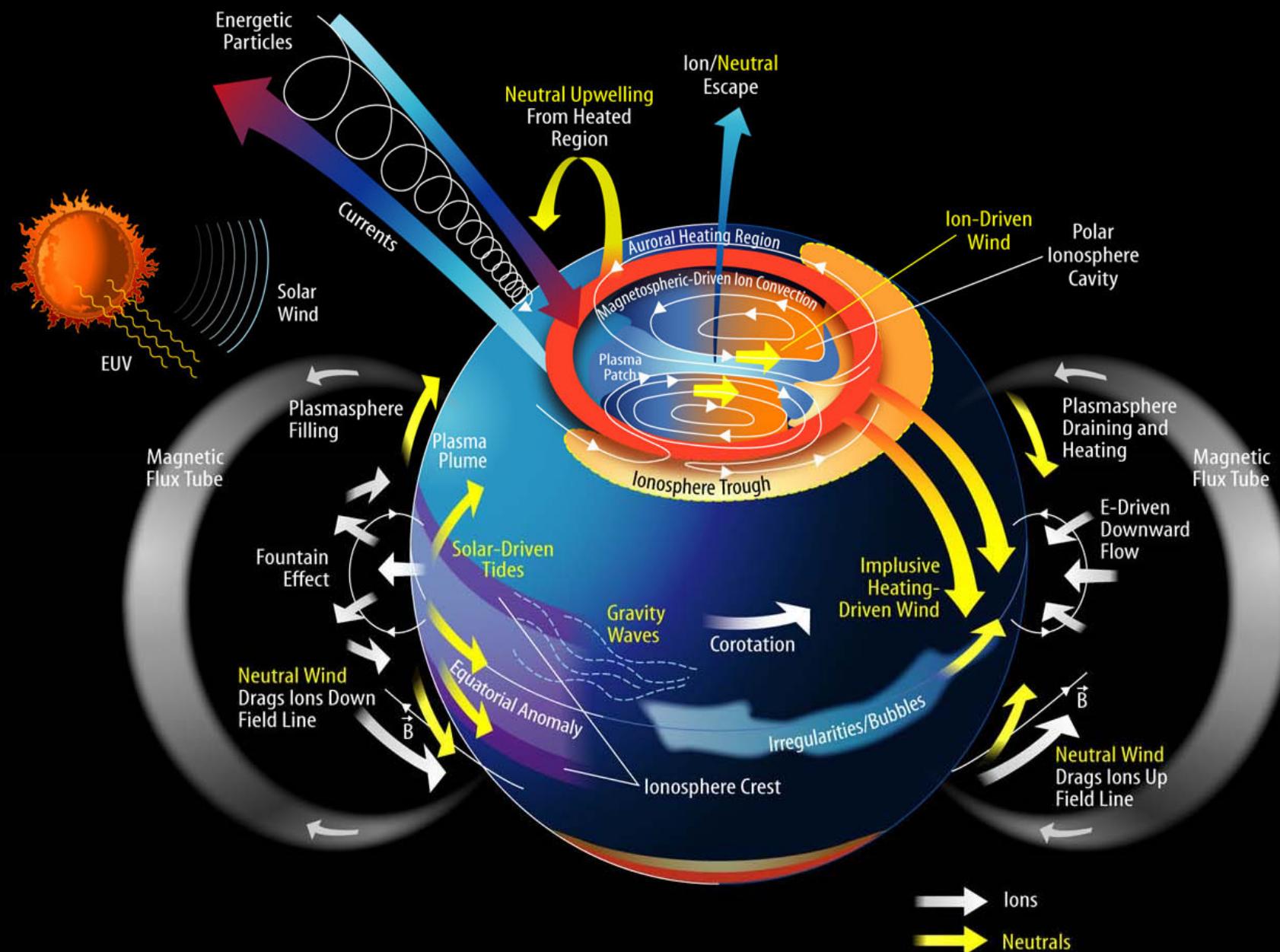


$$\text{MHD Generator} \Rightarrow \vec{J} \cdot \vec{E} < 0$$

Addition of Earth's Magnetic Field



Addition of Solar Wind And IMF



Addition of Geomagnetic Storms

