



Last lecture (6)

- Particle motion in the magnetosphere
- Magnetospheric size (standoff distance)

Today's lecture (7)

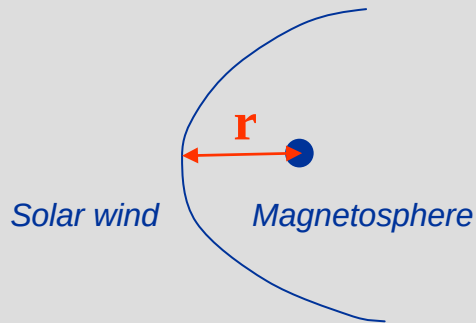
- Other magnetospheres
- Aurora
- Aurora on other planets
- How to measure currents in space



Today

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Litterature</u>
L1	28/8	15-17	Q21	Course description, Introduction, The Sun 1	CGF Ch 1.1,1.2, 1.4, 5, (p 110-113), 6.3
L2	29/8	13-15	Q2	The Sun 2, Plasma physics 1	CGF Ch 1.3, 5 (p 114-121)
L3	4/9	10-12	E2	Solar wind, The ionosphere and atmosphere 1, Plasma physics 2	CGF Ch 6.1, 2, 3.1-3.2, 3.5, LL Ch III, Extra material
T1	6/9	8-10	Q21	Mini-group work 1	
L4	6/9	15-17	Q2	The ionosphere 2, Plasma physics 3	CGF Ch 3.4, 3.7, 3.8
T2	10/9	15-17	Q21	Mini-group work 2	
L5	11/9	10-12	E3	The Earth's magnetosphere 1, Plasma physics 4	CGF 4-1-4.3, LL Ch I, II, IV.A
T3	17/9	8-10	Q21	Mini-group work 3	
L6	18/9	13-15	Q33	The Earth's magnetosphere 2, Other magnetospheres	CGF Ch 4.6-4.9, LL Ch V.
L7	19/9	13-15	Q2	Aurora, Measurement methods in space plasmas and data analysis 1	CGF Ch 4.5, 10, LL Ch VI, Extra material
T4	24/9	8-10	Q2	Mini-group work 4	
L8	24/9	15-17	V3	Space weather and geomagnetic storms	CGF Ch 4.4, LL Ch IV.B-C, VII.A-C
T5	2/10	8-10	Q31	Mini-group work 5	
L9	2/10	13-15	Q2	Alfvén waves, Interstellar and intergalactic plasma, Cosmic radiation	CGF Ch 7-9, Extra material
T6	8/10	15-17	Q21		
L10	9/10	10-12	Q2	Guest Lecture by Swedish astronaut Christer Fuglesang	
Written examination	16/10	14-19	L21, L22, L31		

Magnetopause “stand-off distance”



Dynamic pressure: $p_d = \rho_{SW} v_{SW}^2$

Magnetic pressure: $p_B = \frac{1}{2\mu_0} B^2$

Dipole field strength
(in equatorial plane): $B = \frac{\mu_0 a}{4\pi} \frac{1}{r^3}$

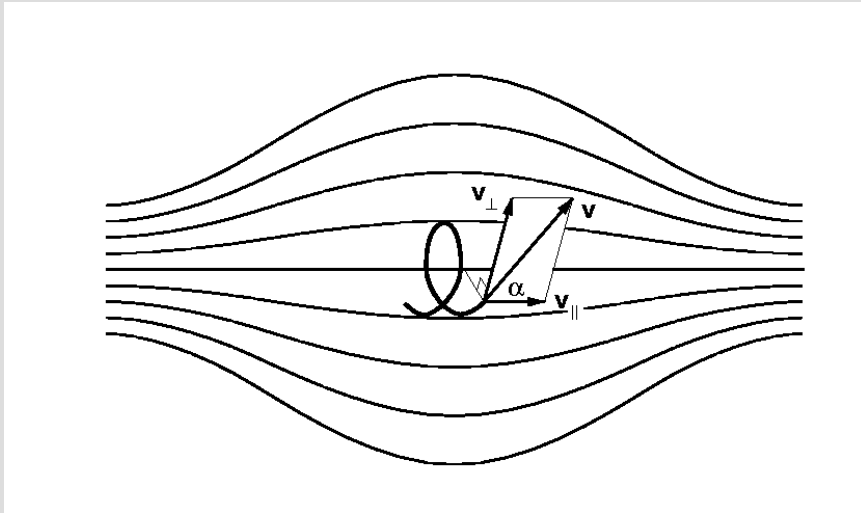
$$p_d = p_B \Rightarrow \rho_{SW} v_{SW}^2 = \left[\frac{\mu_0 a}{4\pi} \frac{1}{r^3} \right]^2 / 2\mu_0 \Rightarrow$$

$$r = \left(\frac{\mu_0 a}{4\pi} \right)^{1/3} \left(2\mu_0 \rho_{SW} v_{SW}^2 \right)^{-1/6}$$

$$a = 8 \times 10^{22} \text{ Am}^2, \quad v = 500 \text{ km/s}, \quad \rho_{SW} = 10^7 \times 1.7 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg/m}^3:$$

$$r = 7 R_e \quad (1 R_e = 6378 \text{ km})$$

Magnetic mirror



The magnetic moment μ is an *adiabatic invariant*.

$$\mu = \frac{mv_{\perp}^2}{2B} = \frac{mv^2 \sin^2 \alpha}{2B}$$

$mv^2/2$ constant (energy conservation) →

$$\frac{\sin^2 \alpha}{B} = \text{konst}$$

particle turns when $\alpha = 90^\circ$ →

$$B_{\text{turn}} = B / \sin^2 \alpha$$

If maximal B-field is B_{max} a particle with pitch angle α can only be turned around if

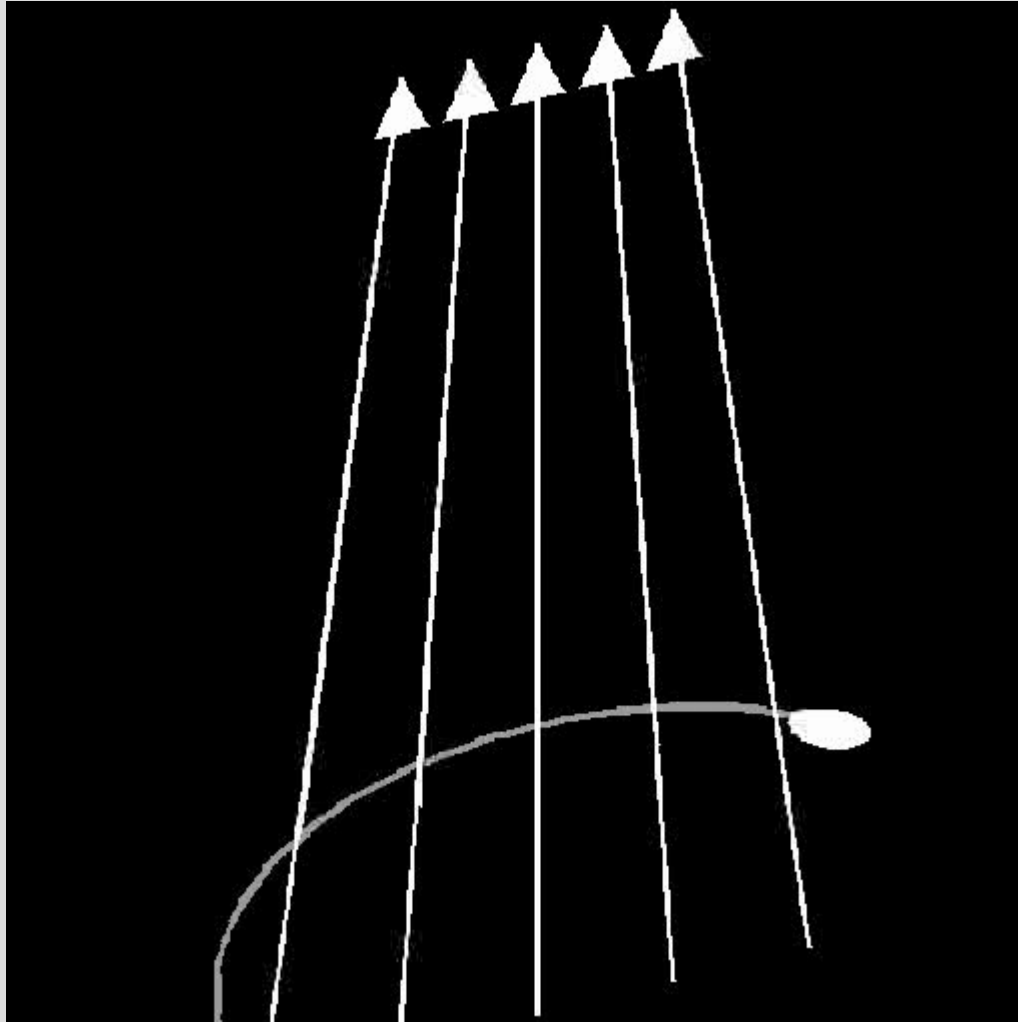
$$B_{\text{turn}} = B / \sin^2 \alpha \leq B_{\text{max}} \rightarrow$$

$$\alpha > \alpha_{lc} = \arcsin \sqrt{B / B_{\text{max}}}$$

Particles in
loss cone :

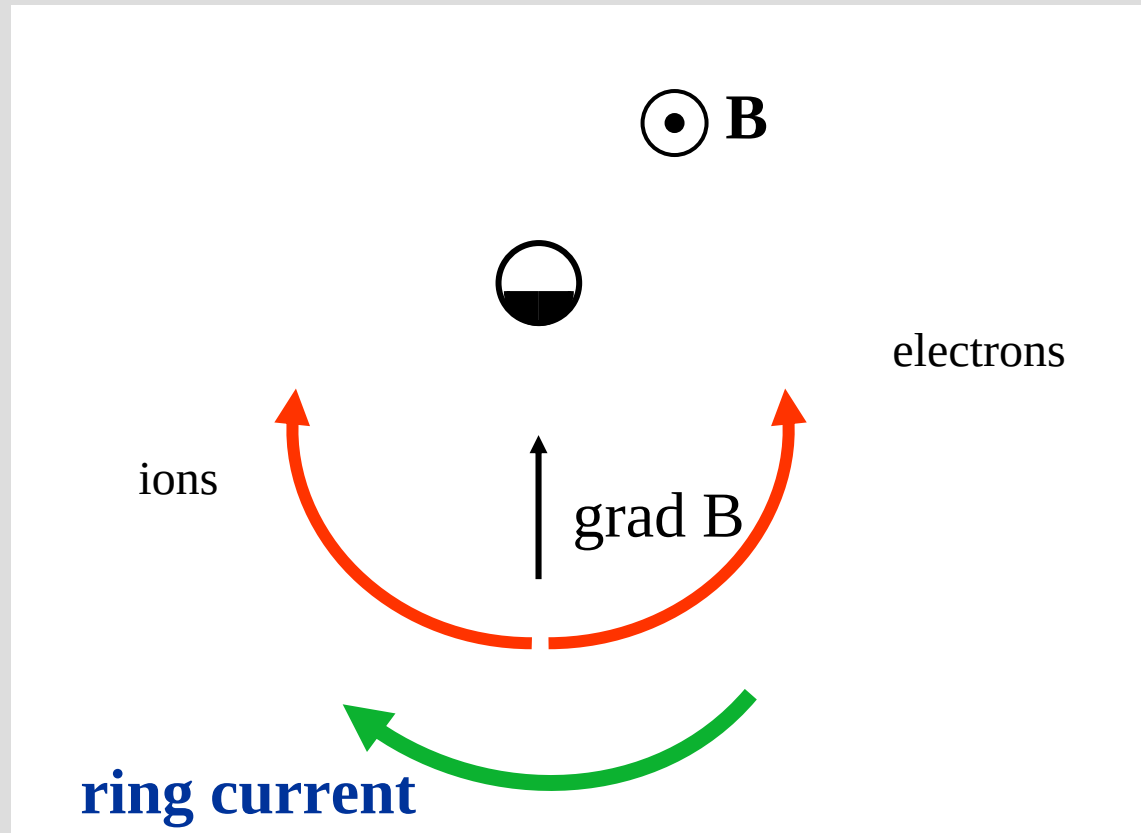
$$\alpha < \alpha_{lc}$$

Magnetic mirror

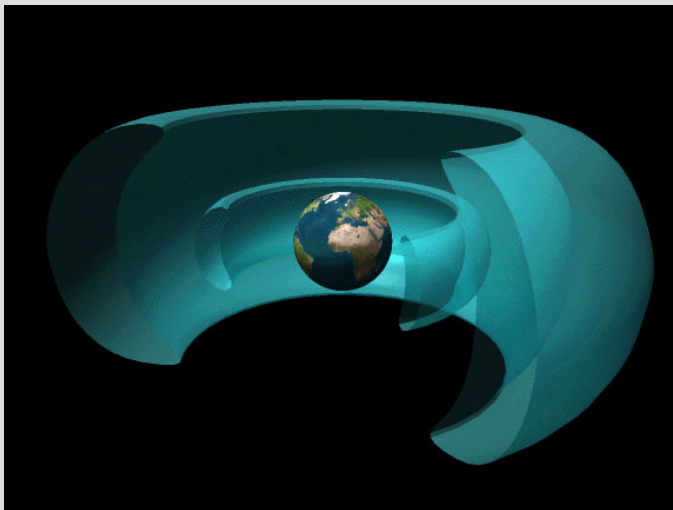
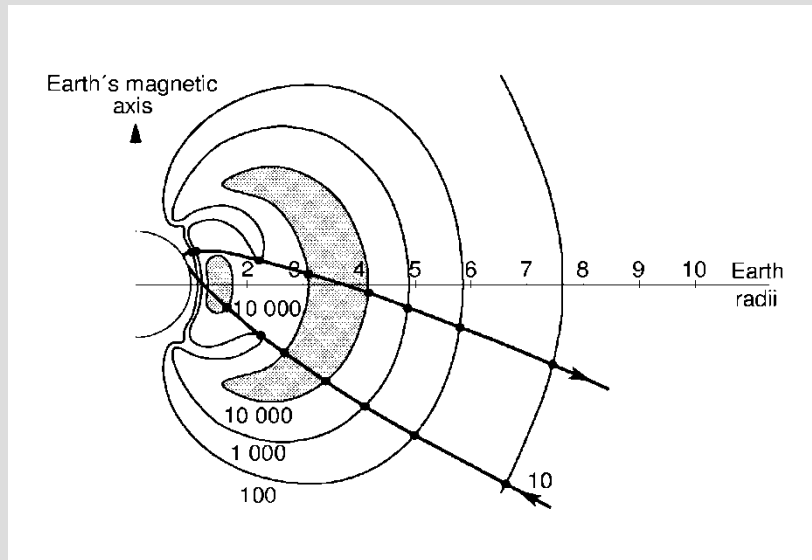


Ring current and particle motion

$$\mathbf{u} = -\frac{\mu \nabla B \times \mathbf{B}}{qB^2}$$



Radiation belts



I. Van Allen belts

- Discovered in the 50s , Explorer 1
- Inner belt contains protons with energies of ~ 30 MeV
- Outer belt (Explorer IV, Pioneer III): electrons, $W > 1.5$ MeV

CRAND (Cosmic Ray Albedo Neutron Decay)

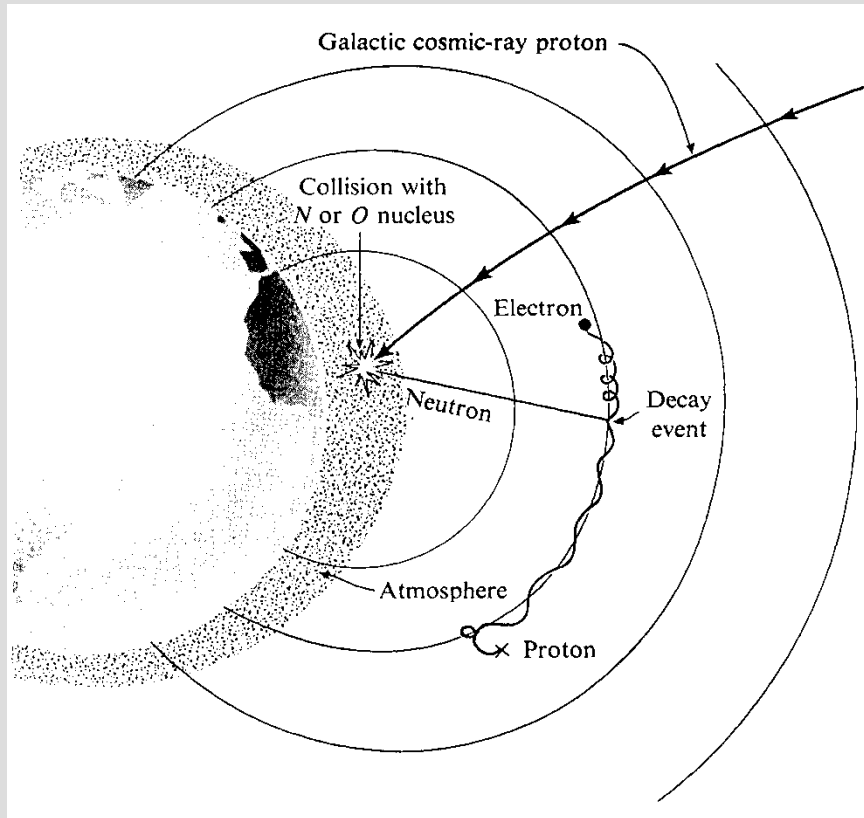


Figure 8. An illustration of the CRAND process for populating the inner radiation belts [Hess, 1968].

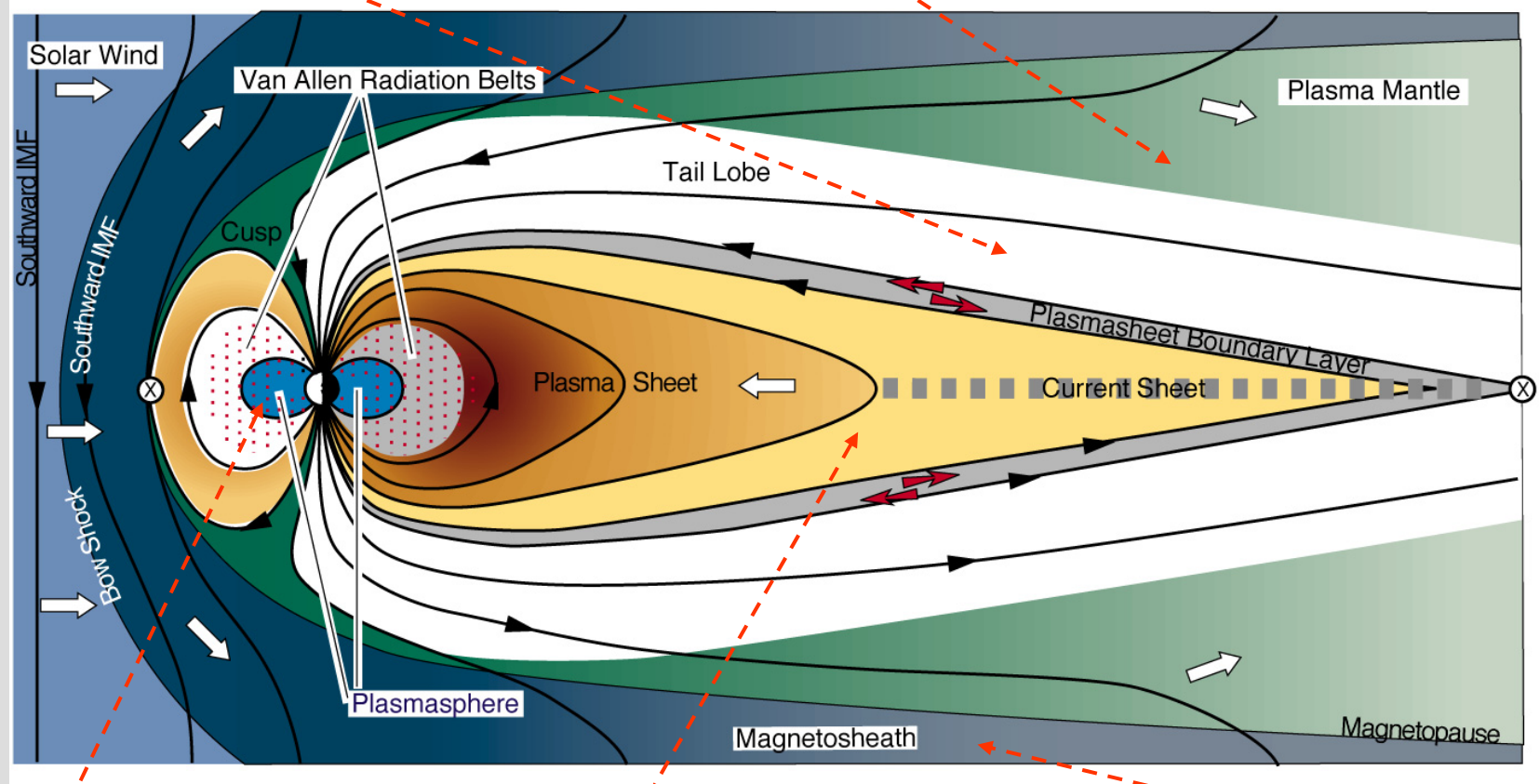
Collisions between cosmic ray particles and the Earth create new particles. Among these are neutrons, that are not affected by the magnetic field. They decay, soon after when they happen to be in the radiation belts. The resulting protons and electrons are trapped in the radiation belts.

This contribution to the radiation belts are called the **neutron albedo**.

Magnetospheric structure

polar plumes = tail lobe
 $n_e \sim 0,01 \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $T_e \sim 10^6 \text{ K}$

plasma mantle
 $n_e \sim 0,1-1 \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $T_e \sim 10^6 \text{ K}$



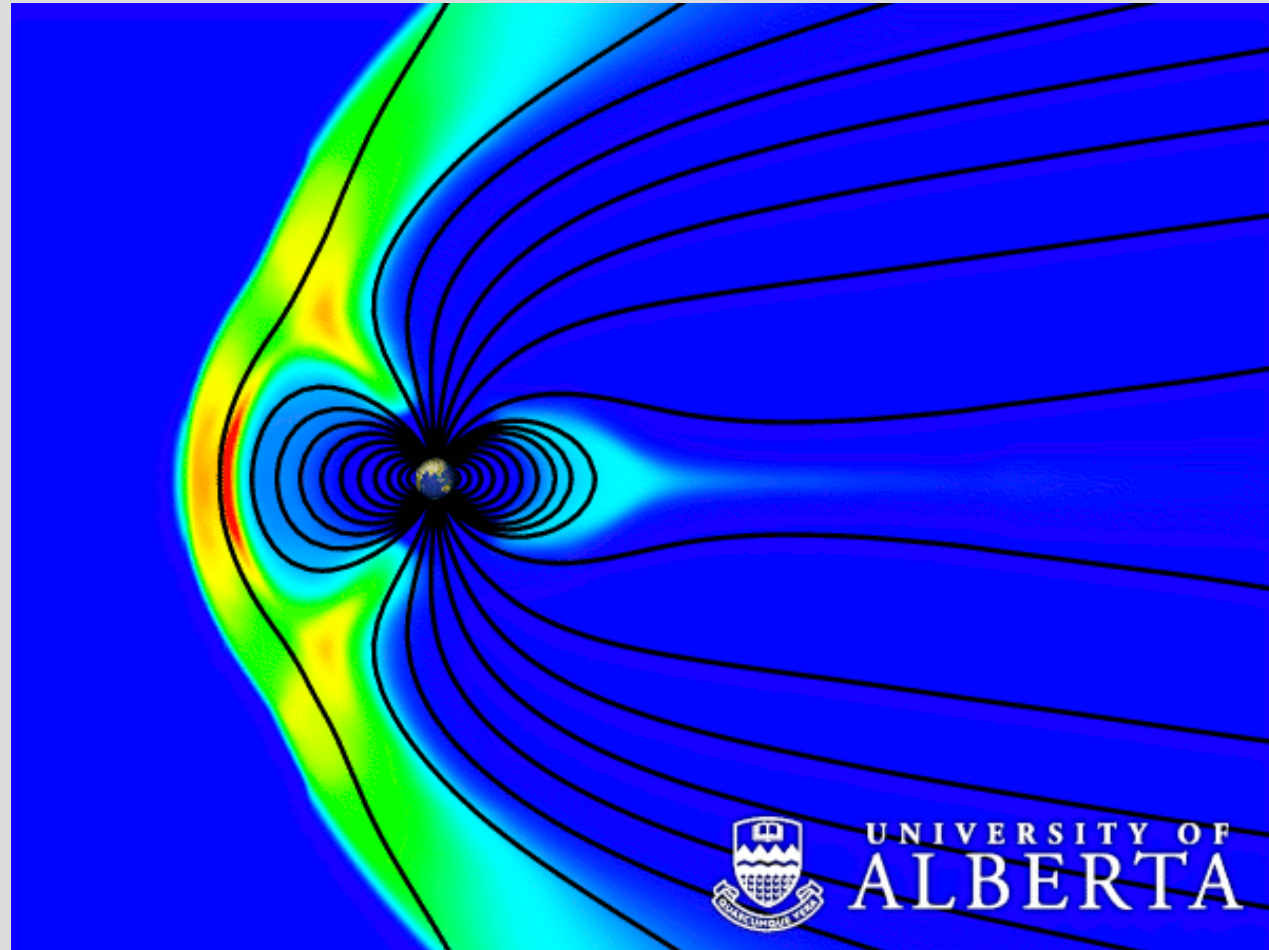
plasmasphere:
 $n_e \sim 10-100 \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $T_e \sim 1000 \text{ K}$

plasma sheet:
 $n_e \sim 1 \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $T_e \sim 10^7 \text{ K}$

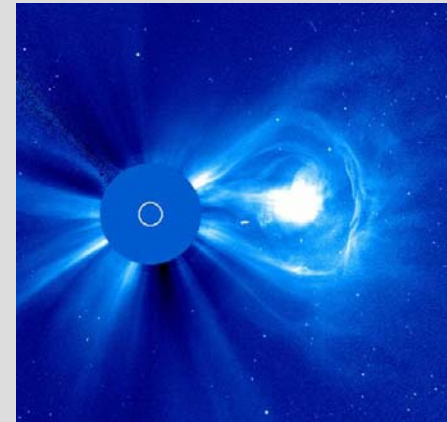
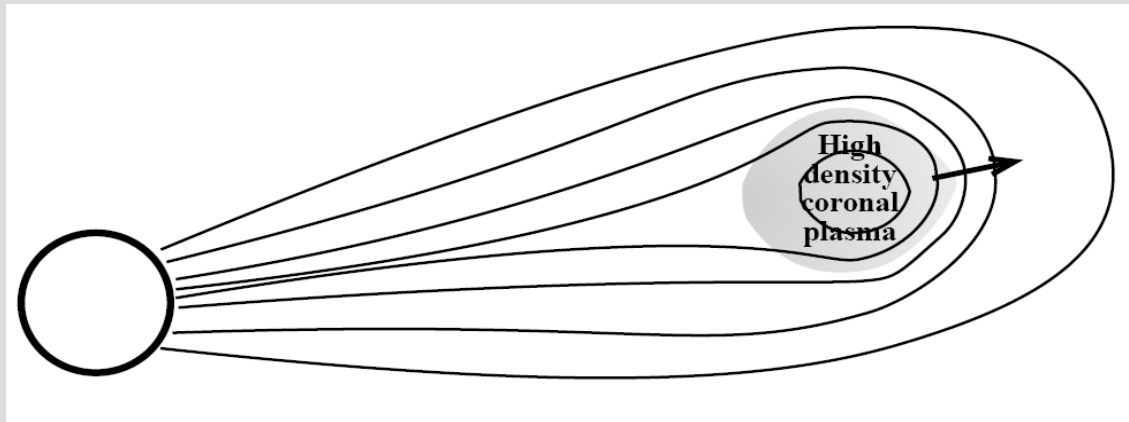
magnetosheath:
 $n_e \sim 5 \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $T_e \sim 10^6 \text{ K}$

Reconnection and plasma convection

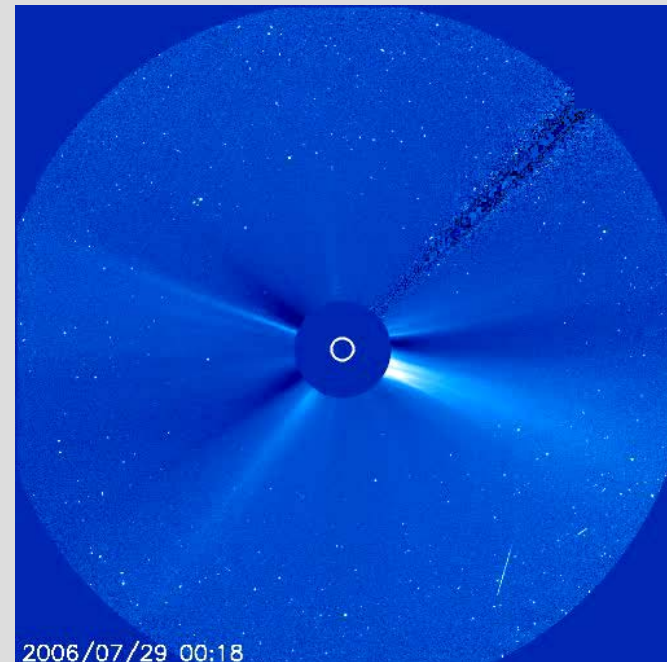
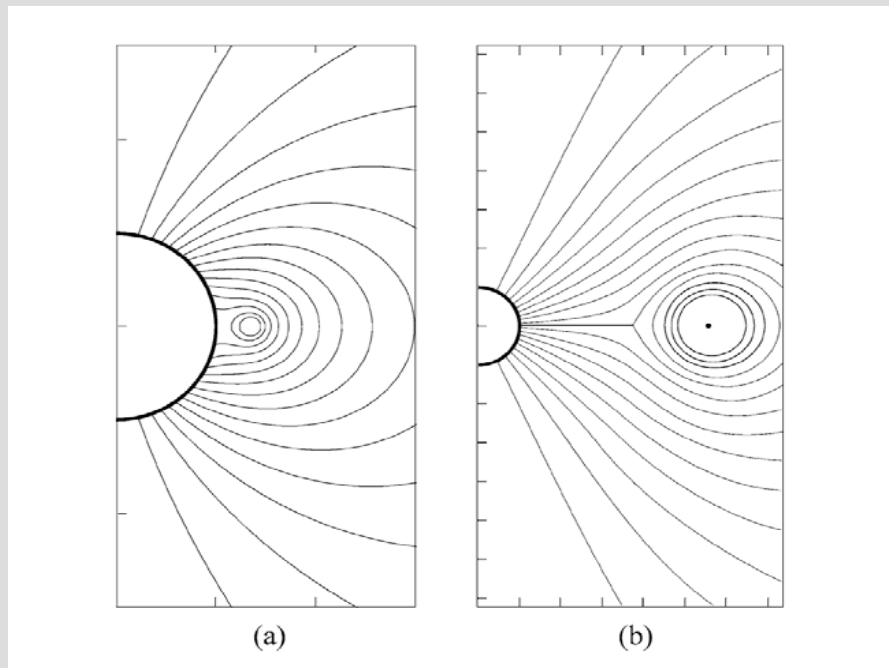
Solar wind



CME - magnetic connection to sun



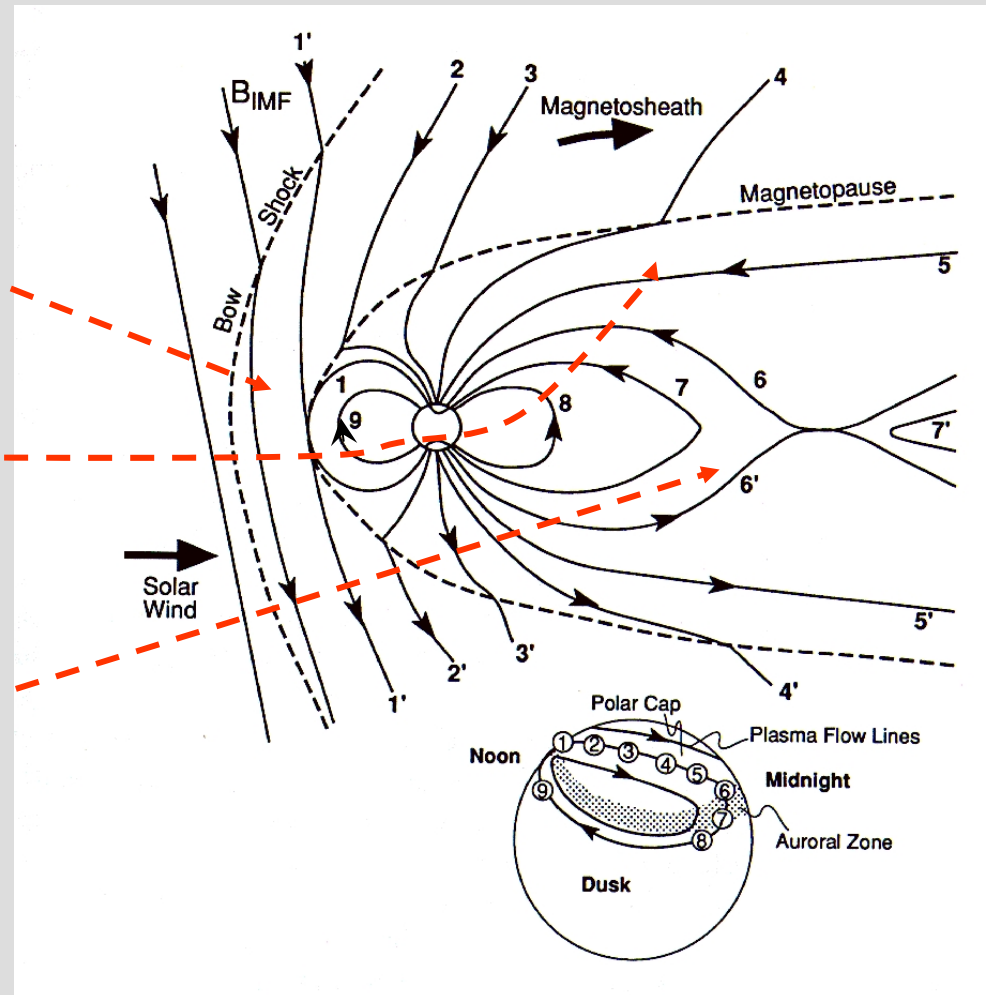
flux rope CME



'smoke ring' CME

Reconnection and plasma convection

- Reconnection on the dayside “re-connects” the solar wind magnetic field and the geomagnetic field
- In this way the plasma convection in the outer magnetosphere is driven
- In the night side a second reconnection region drives the convection in the inner magnetosphere. The reconnection also heats the plasmasheet plasma.





What do the magnetospheres of the other planets look like?

Planetary magnetospheres

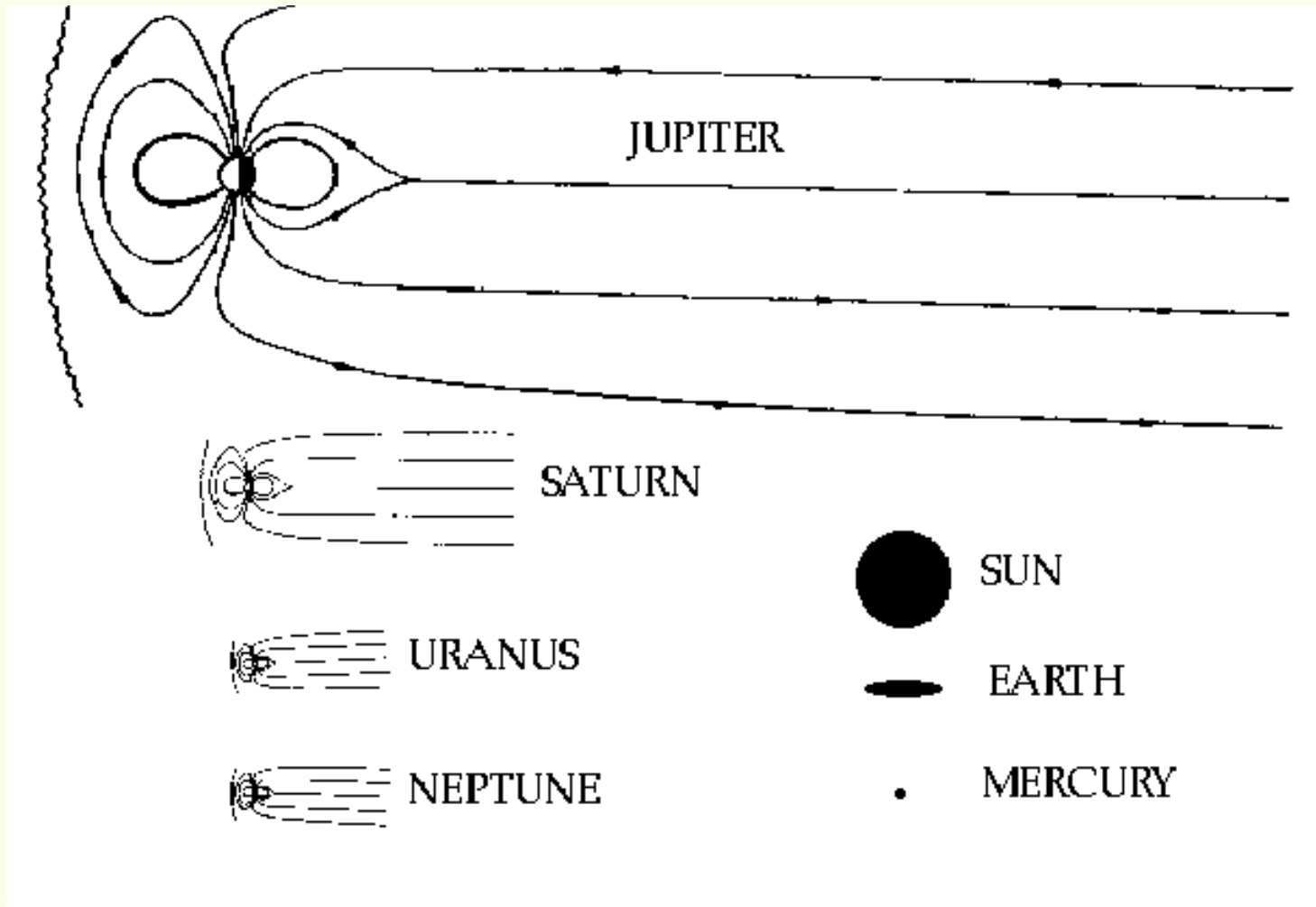
	Radius Earth radii	Spin period (days)	Equatorial field strength (μT)	Magnetic axis direction relative to spin axis	Polarity relative to Earth's	Typical magneto- pause distance (planetary radii)
Mercury	0.38	58.6	0.35	10°	Same	1.1
Venus	0.95	243	< 0.03	-	-	1.1
Earth	1.0	1	31	11.5°	Same	10
Mars	0.53	1.02	0.065		Opposite	?
Jupiter	11.18	0.41	410	10°	Opposite	60-100
Saturn	9.42	0.44	40	$<1^\circ$	Opposite	20-25
Uranus	3.84	0.72	23	60°	Opposite	18-25
Neptune	3.93	0.74	20-150 ^{*)}	47°	Opposite	26 ^{**))}

*) The magnetic field differs greatly from a dipole field. The numbers represent maximum and minimum strength at the planetary surface

****)** Based on single passage

Very weak magnetic fields

Relative size of the magnetospheres



Comparative magnetospheres

In situ observations

Space probe

Planets

Observations

Mariner 10	Mercury	1974 – 1975
<i>Messenger *</i>	<i>Mercury</i>	<i>2008 –</i>
Pioneer 10,11	Jupiter, Saturn	1973 – 1979
Voyager 1,2	Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune	1977 – 1989
Ulysses	Jupiter	1992
<i>Galileo*</i>	<i>Jupiter</i>	<i>1995 – 2003</i>
<i>Cassini*</i>	Jupiter, <i>Saturn</i>	<i>2004 –</i>
New Horizons	Jupiter	2007

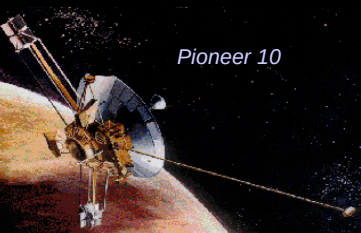
* *Orbiters*



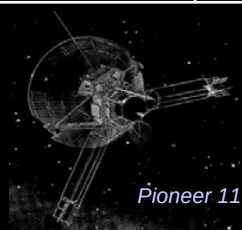
Mariner 10



Ulysses



Pioneer 10



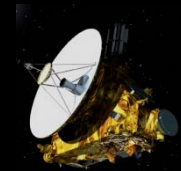
Pioneer 11



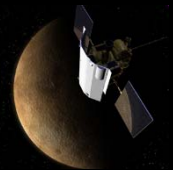
Voyager 1 and 2



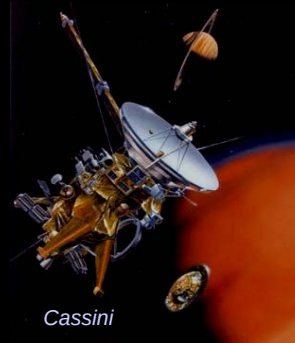
Galileo



New Horizons



Messenger



Cassini

Mercury

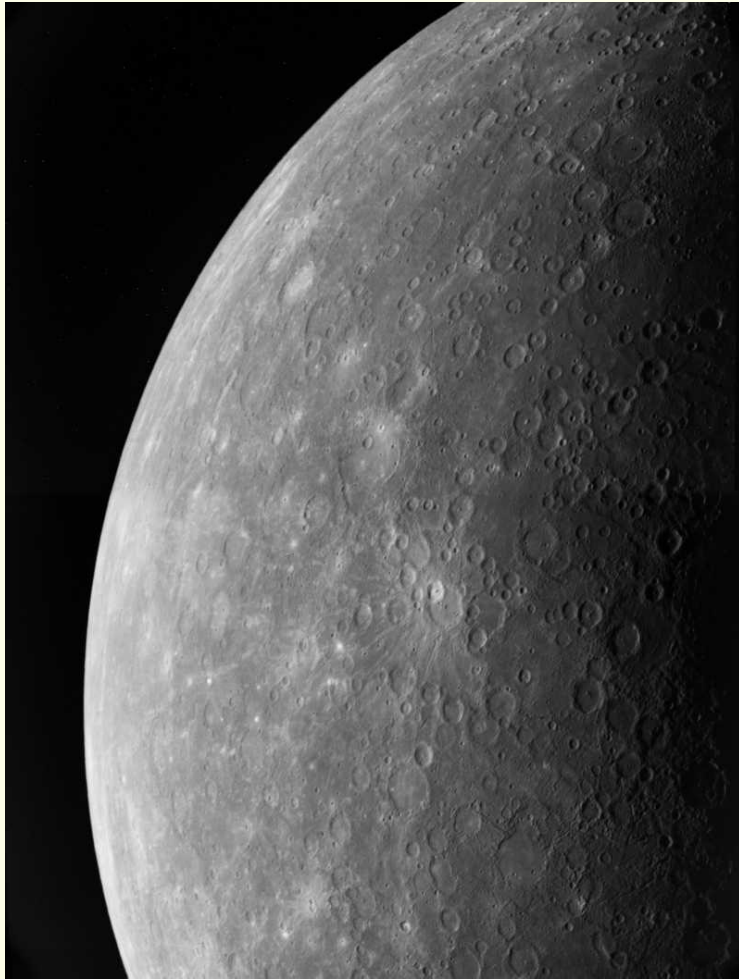
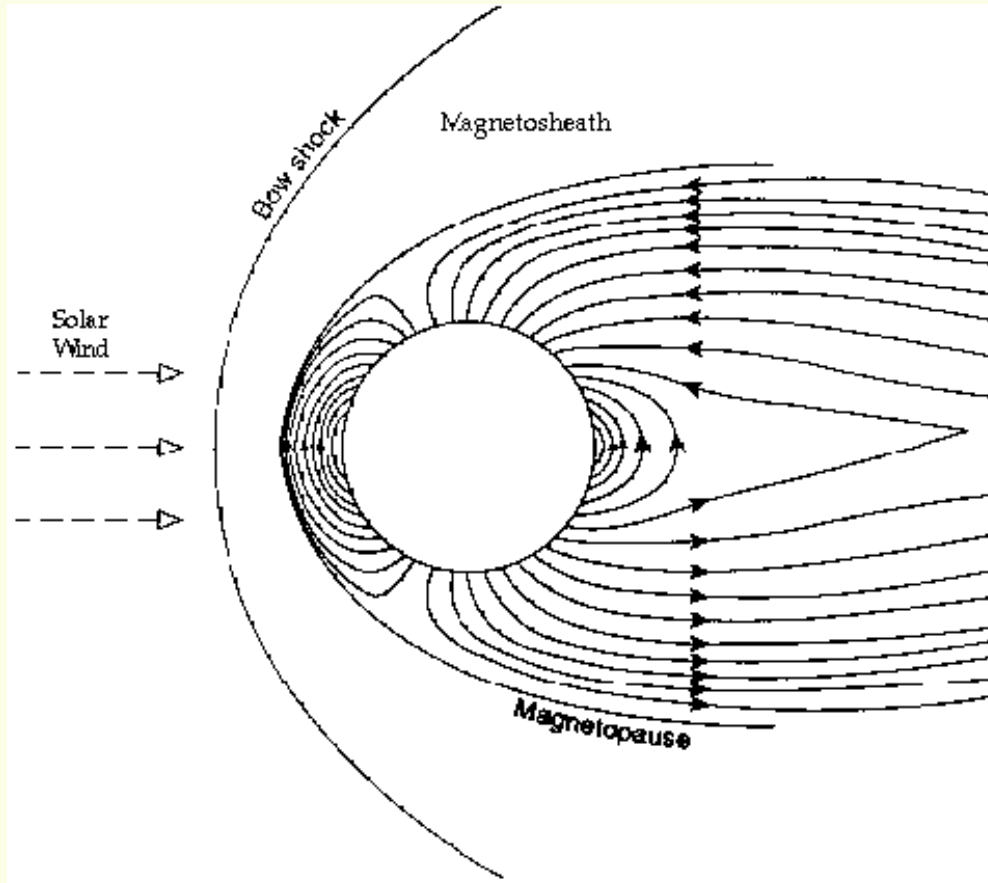


Photo from Mariner 10

- $r_M = 0,38 r_E$
- $m_M = 0,06 m_E$
- distance from sun: 0,39 AU
- no or extremely thin atmosphere

Mercury's magnetosphere



- rather large magnetic field
- the high solar wind density close to the sun makes the magnetosphere very small
- no ionosphere

Venus

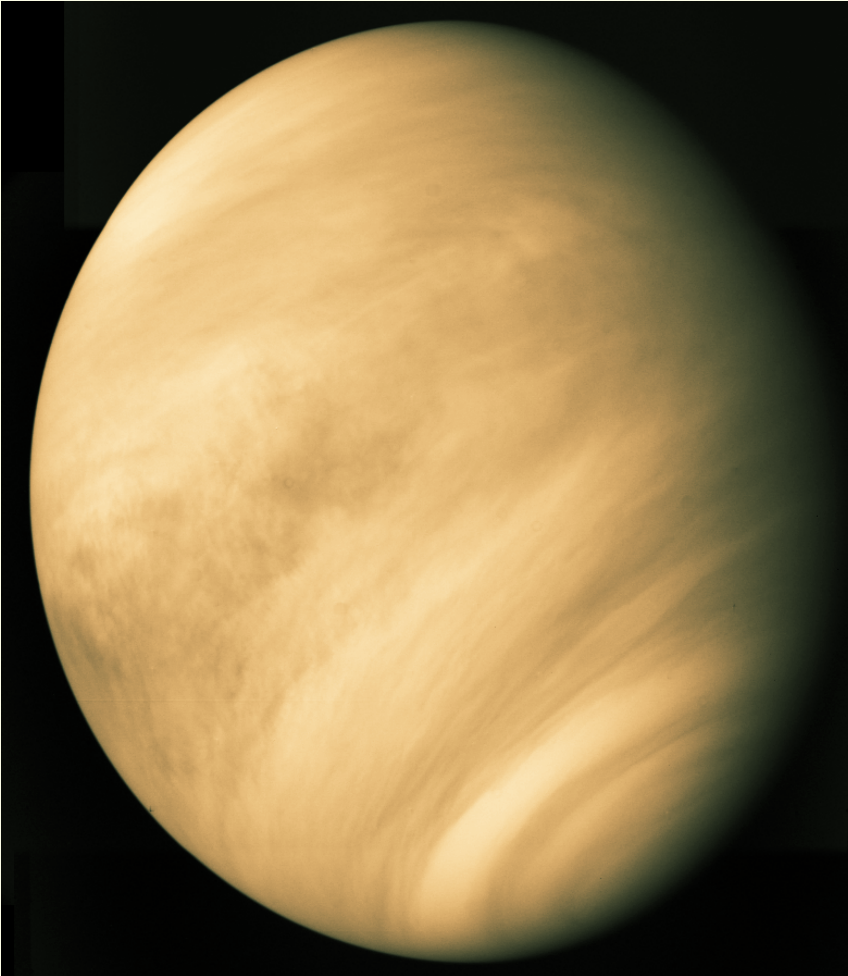
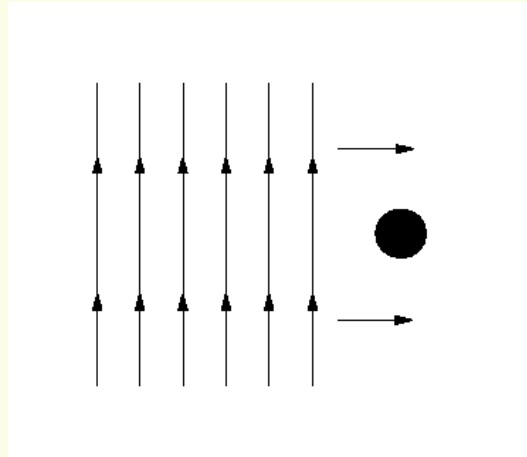


Photo from Galileo

- $r_V = 0,95 r_E$
- $m_V = 0,82 m_E$
- distance from sun : 0,72 AU
- very dense atmosphere
 - ~ 90 atm
 - 96% CO_2
- very weak magnetic field

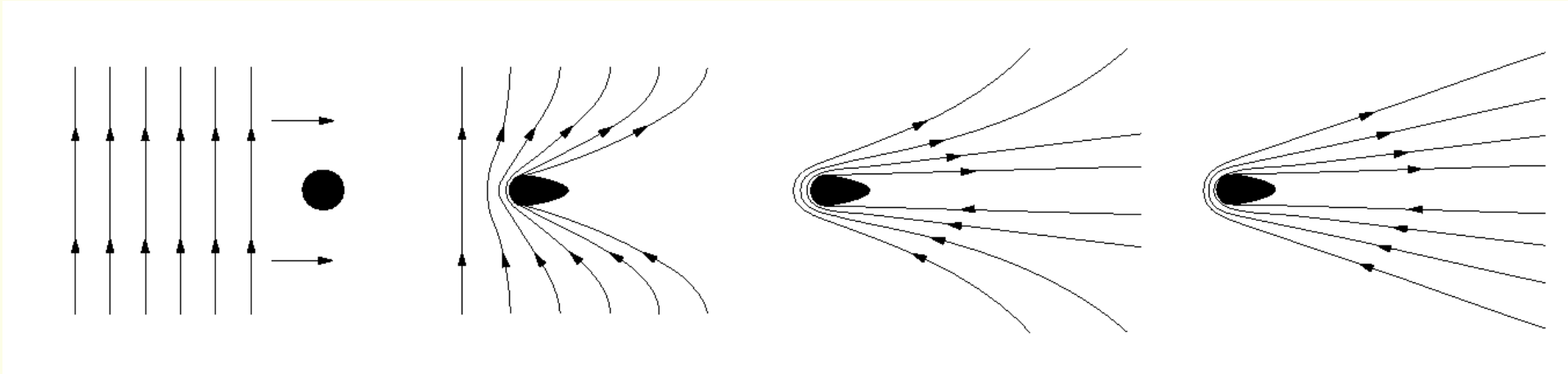
Comets, induced magnetotail



- The *coma* of the comet is ionized when the comet gets close to sun

What will happen when the interplanetary magnetic field (which is frozen into the solar wind) hits the coma?

Comets, induced magnetotail



- The **coma** of the comet is ionized when the comet gets close to sun
- This plasma stops the field lines from passing the comet, due to the frozen-in magnetic field
- Venus and Mars have similar induced, weak "magnetospheres"



Photo from Hubble Space Telescope

Mars

- $r_M = 0,53 r_E$
- $m_M = 0,11 m_E$
- distance from sun : 1,52 AU
- very thin atmosphere
 - ~ 0.01 atm.
 - 95% CO_2
- very weak magnetic field

Jupiter

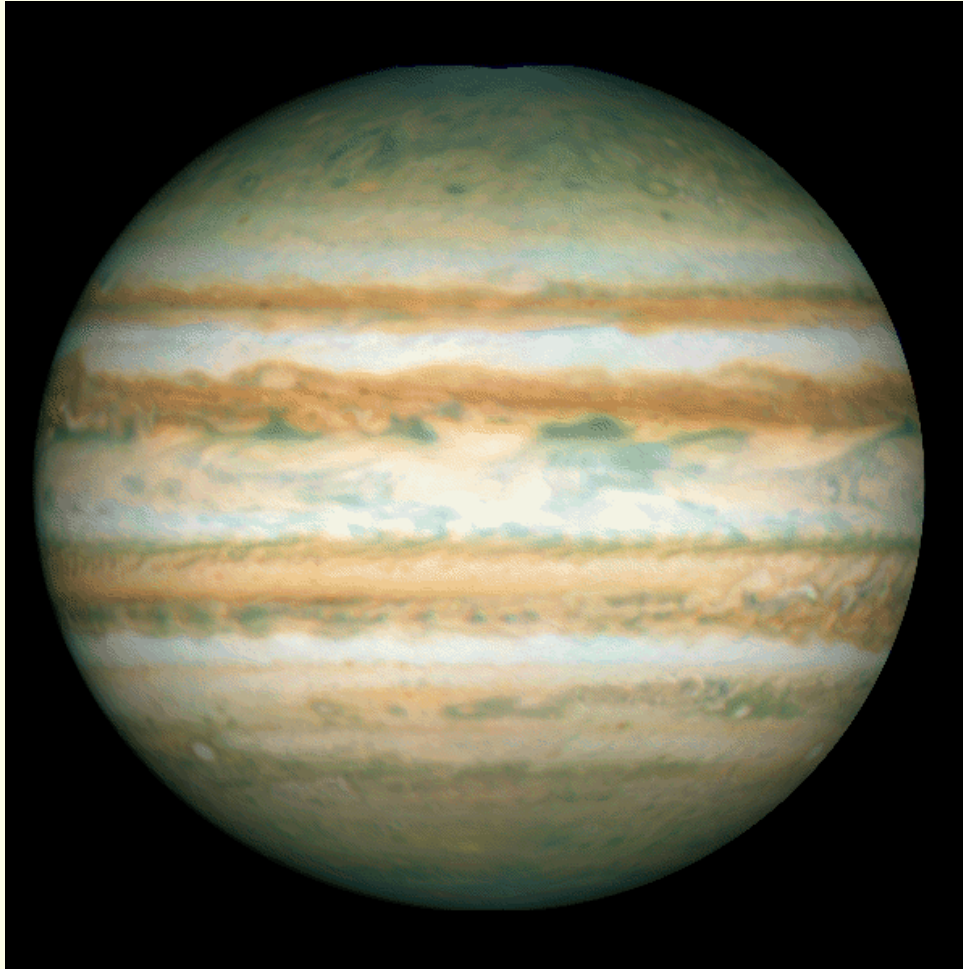
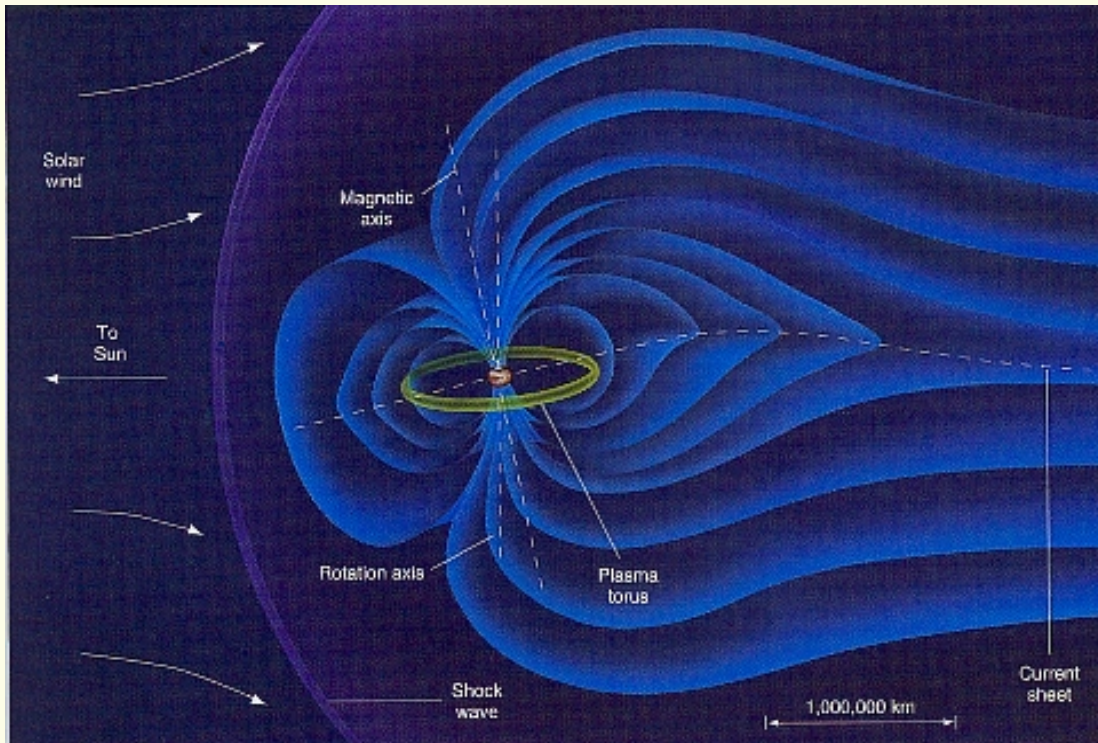


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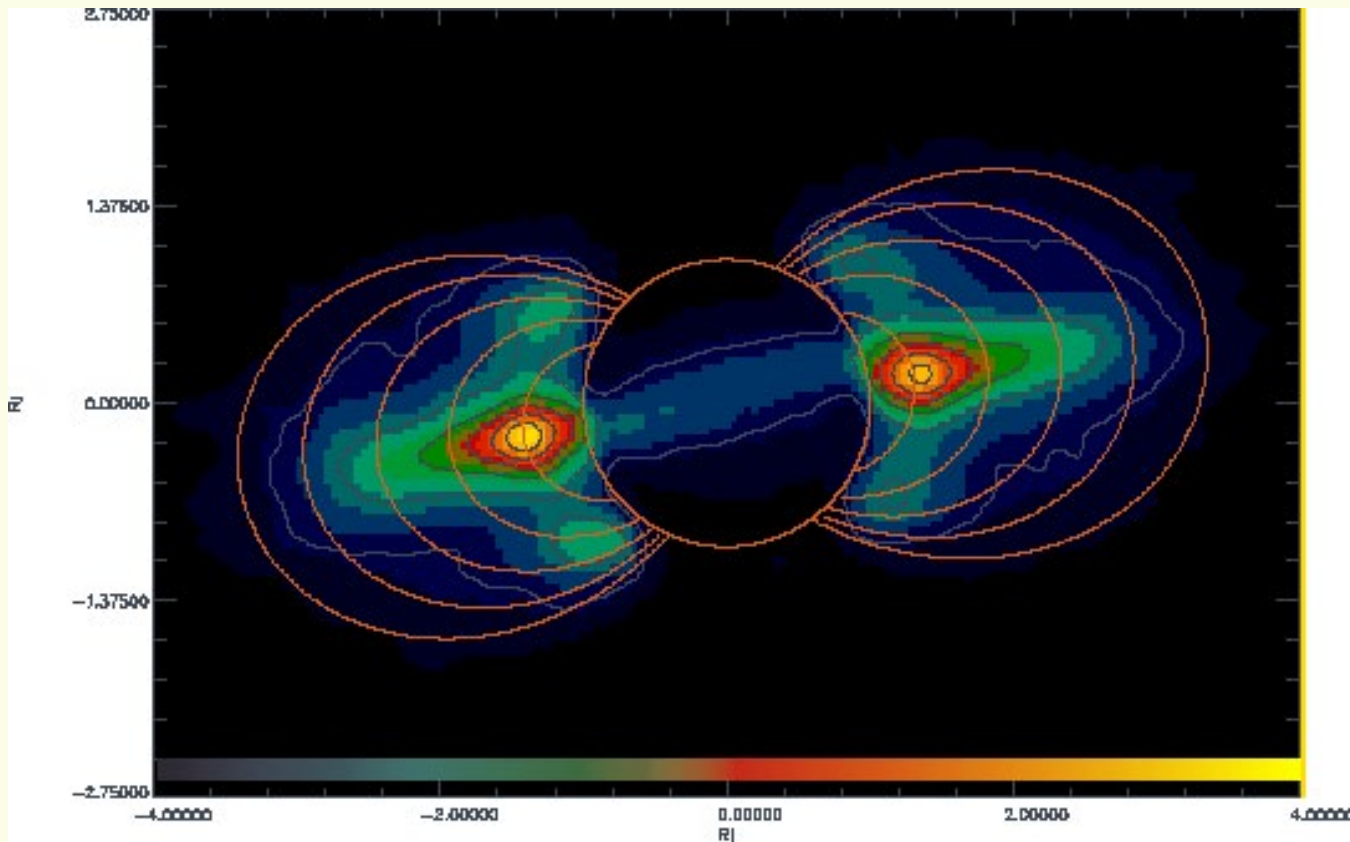
- $r_J = 11,2 r_E$
- $m_J = 318 m_E$
- distance from sun: 5,20 AU
- gas giant with very dense atmosphere containing hydrogen, helium, ammonium, methane, etc.
- ~ 60 moons (+ weak ring system)

Jupiter's magnetosphere



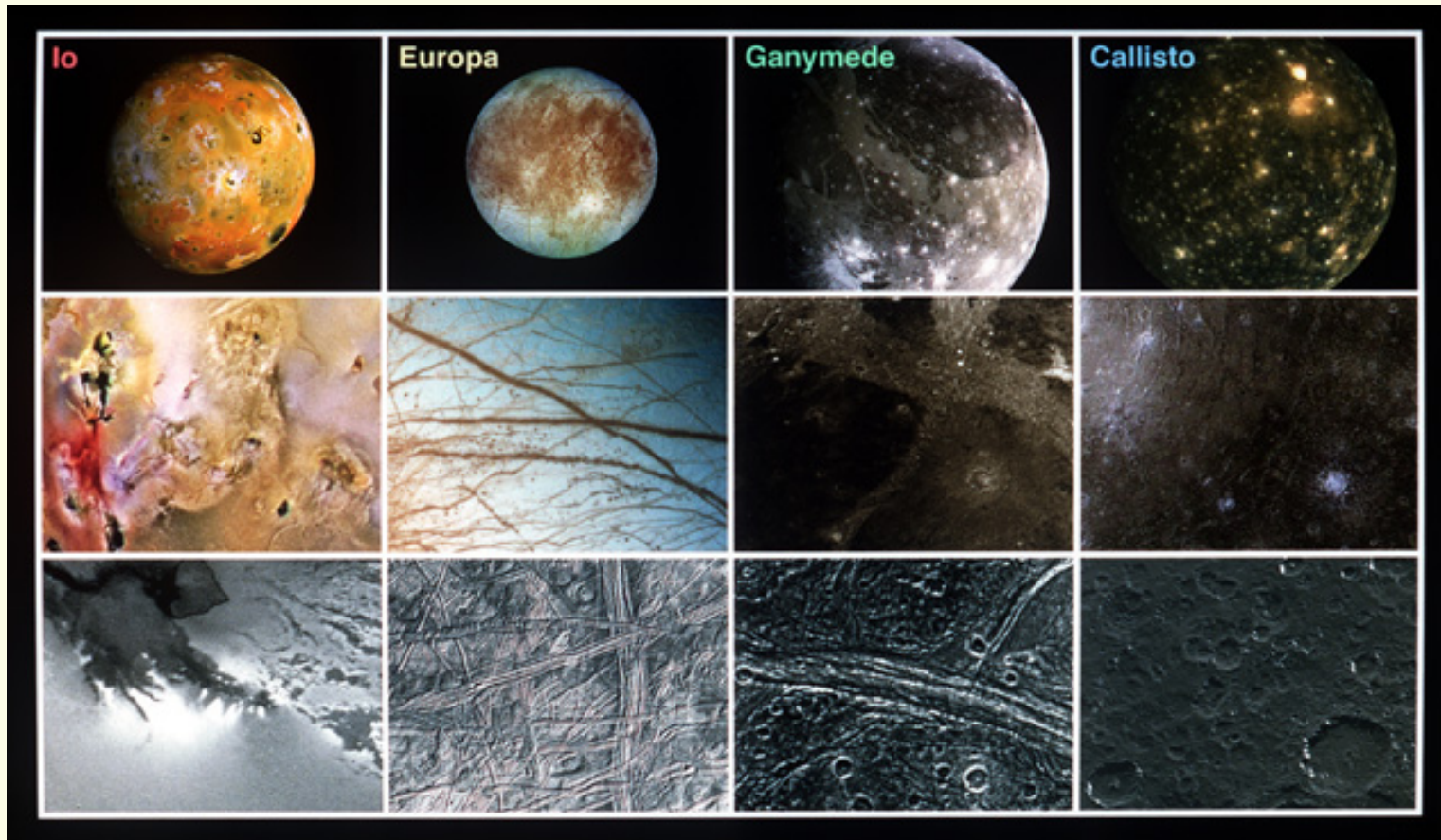
- high plasma density, Io is an important source
- plasma pressure thus becomes an important factor for balancing the solar wind pressure
- the plasma co-rotates with Jupiter, which gives the magnetosphere a flattened look

Synchrotron radiation from Jupiter's radiation belts



- Gyating electrons emit "synchrotron radiation" with frequencies $\sim f_{ce} = eB/(2\pi m_e)$
- The emitted power is proportional to the electron temperature:
$$P = CT_e$$
- In this way you can get a picture of the radiation belts

Galilean satellites



Volcanic
activity, source
for plasma.

Oceans under
the ice?

Has its own
magnetosphere the
size of Mercury's

Weak
magnetic field

Saturn

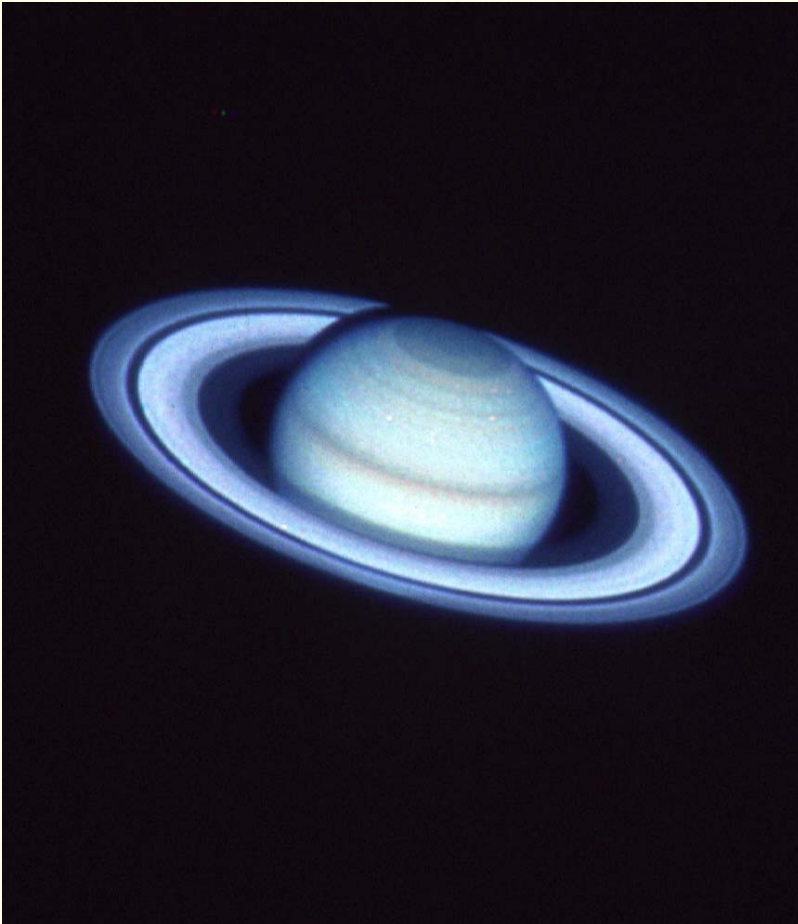
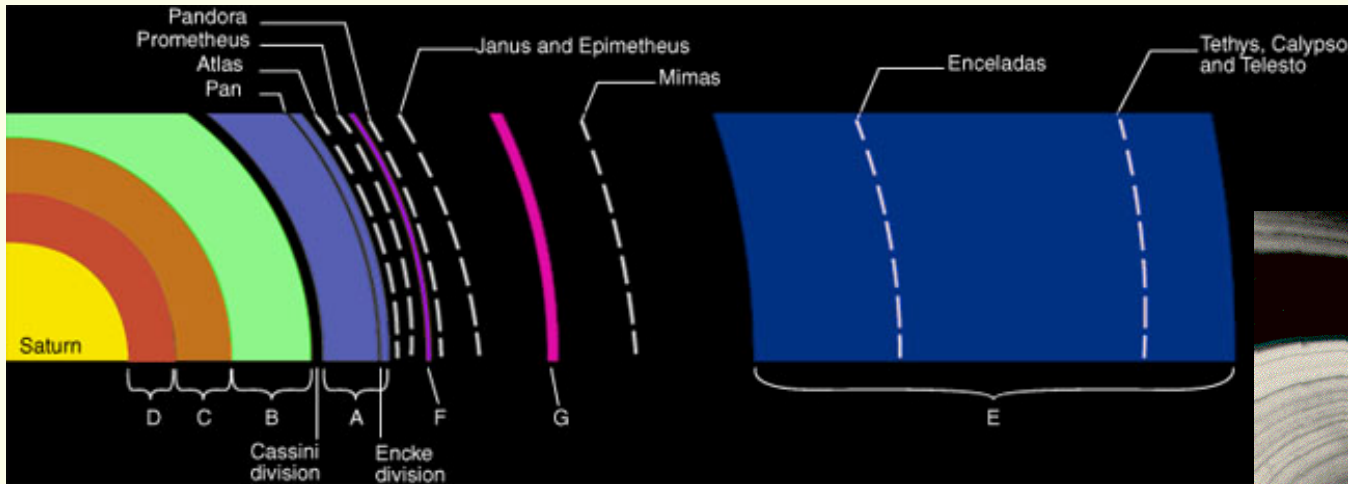


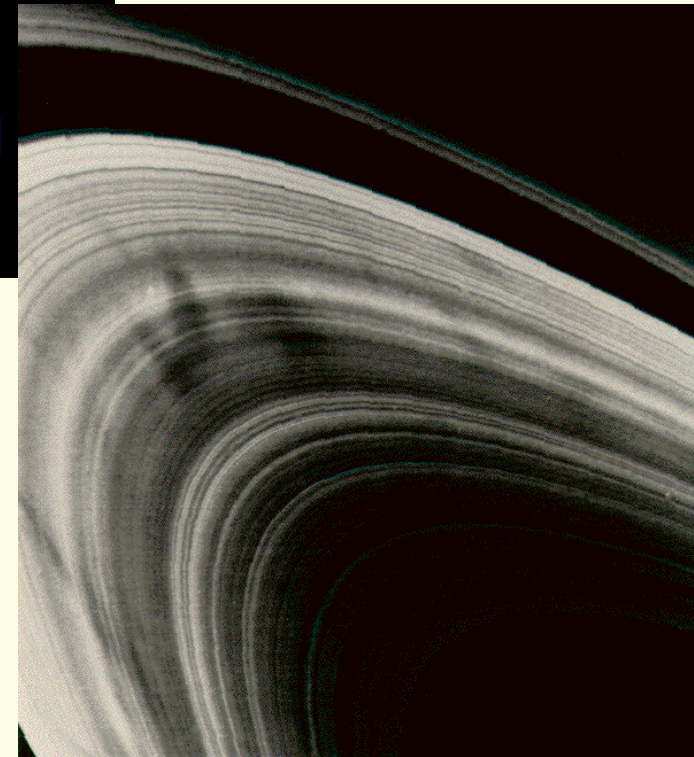
Photo from Hubble Space Telescope

- $r_s = 9,42 r_E$
- $m_s = 95 m_E$
- distance from sun: 9.53 AU
- gas giant with very dense atmosphere containing sulphur, hydrogen, helium, ammonium, methane, etc.
- ~ 31 moons + ring system

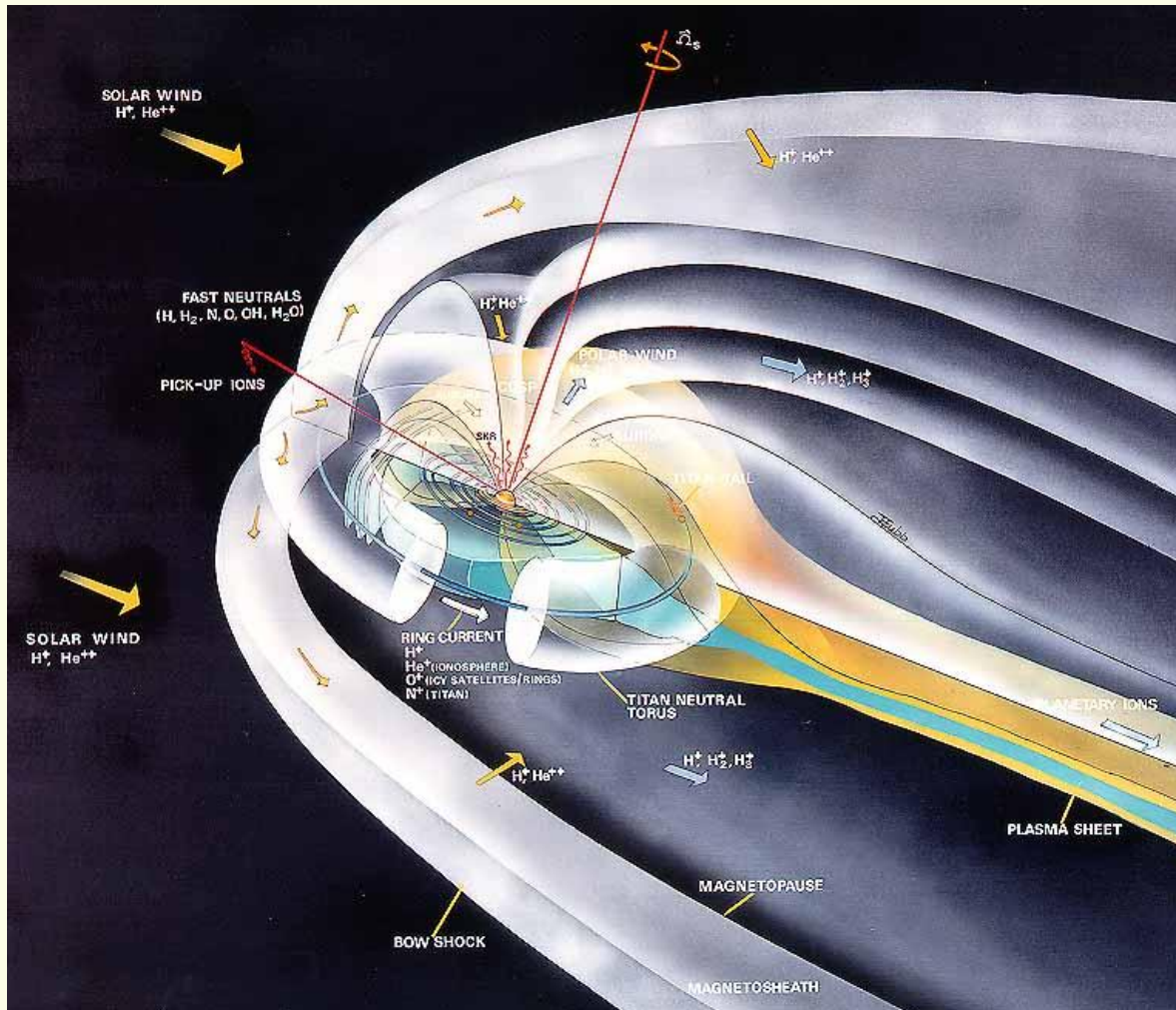
Saturn's rings



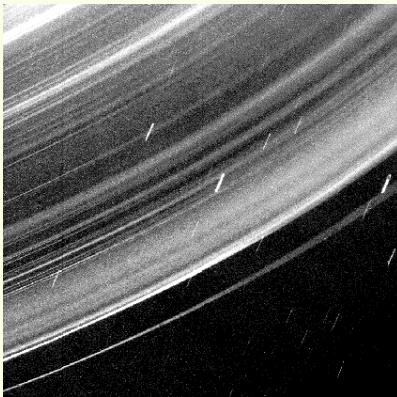
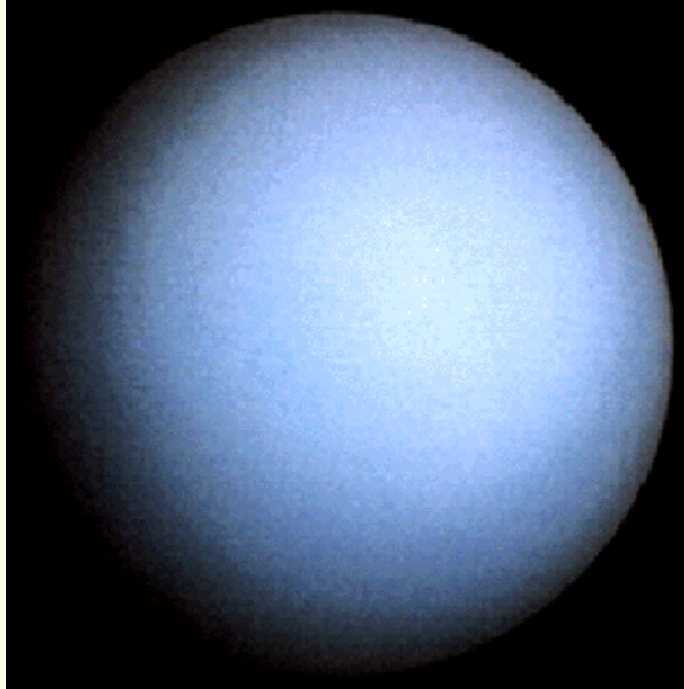
- ring system is made up of ice and mineral particles from ~ 1 cm to ~ 1 km
- rings are only 1.5 km thick



Saturn's magnetosphere



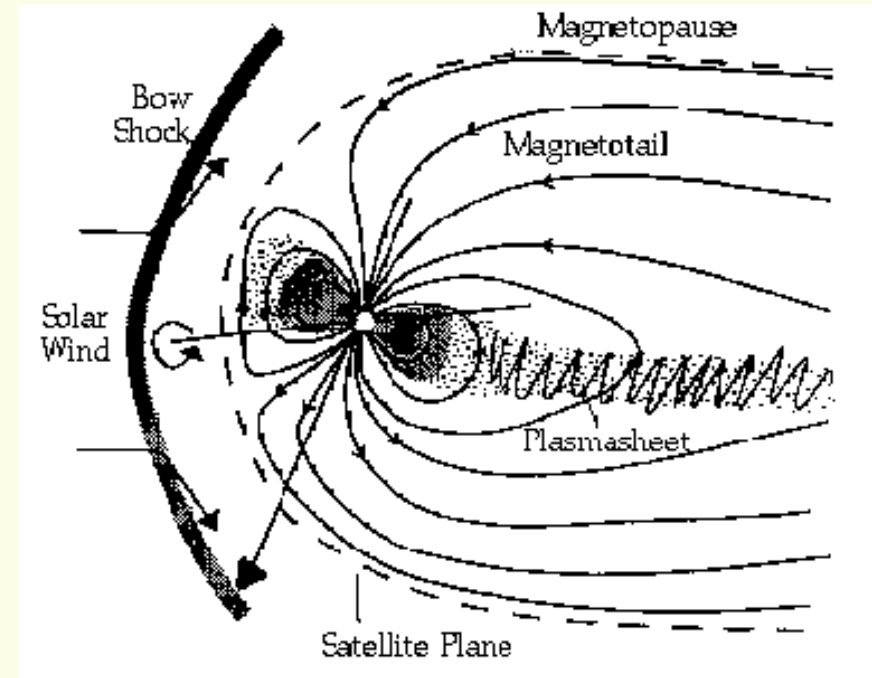
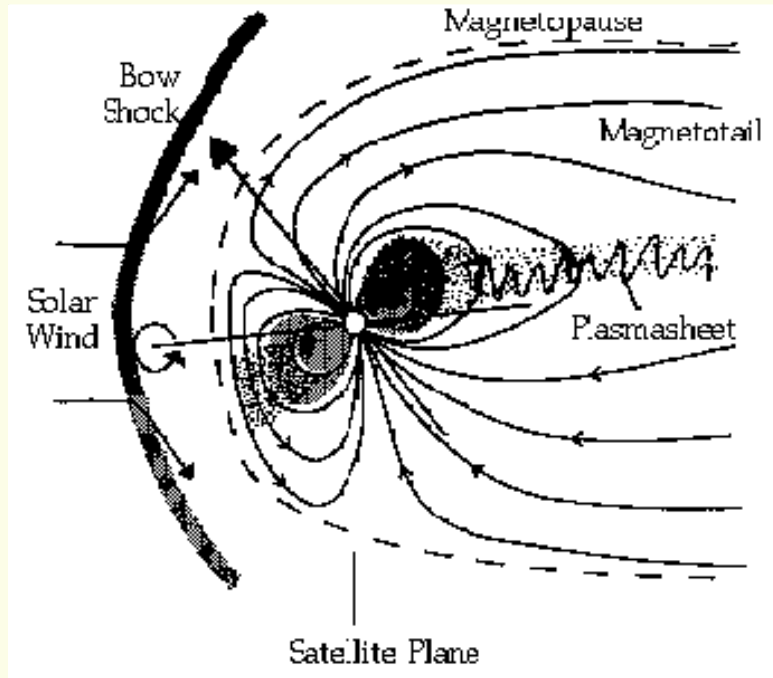
- ring system is both source and sink for plasma and limits the size of the plasmasphere
- plasma pressure important for balancing solar wind pressure, just as for Jupiter
- Intense radiation belt with 50 MeV protons



Uranus

- $r_U = 3,84 r_E$
- $m_U = 14,5 m_E$
- distance from sun: 19,2 AU
- gas giant with very dense atmosphere containing mainly methane
- 20 moons + ring system

Uranus



- Uranus' rotational axis almost in ecliptic plane
- magnetic field axis makes an angle of around 60° with rotational axis
- this gives enormous daily variations of the structure of the magnetosphere

Neptune

- $r_N = 3,93 r_E$
- $m_N = 17,2 m_E$
- distance from sun : 30.1 AU
- gas giant with very dense atmosphere containing mainly methane
- 11 moons + ring system

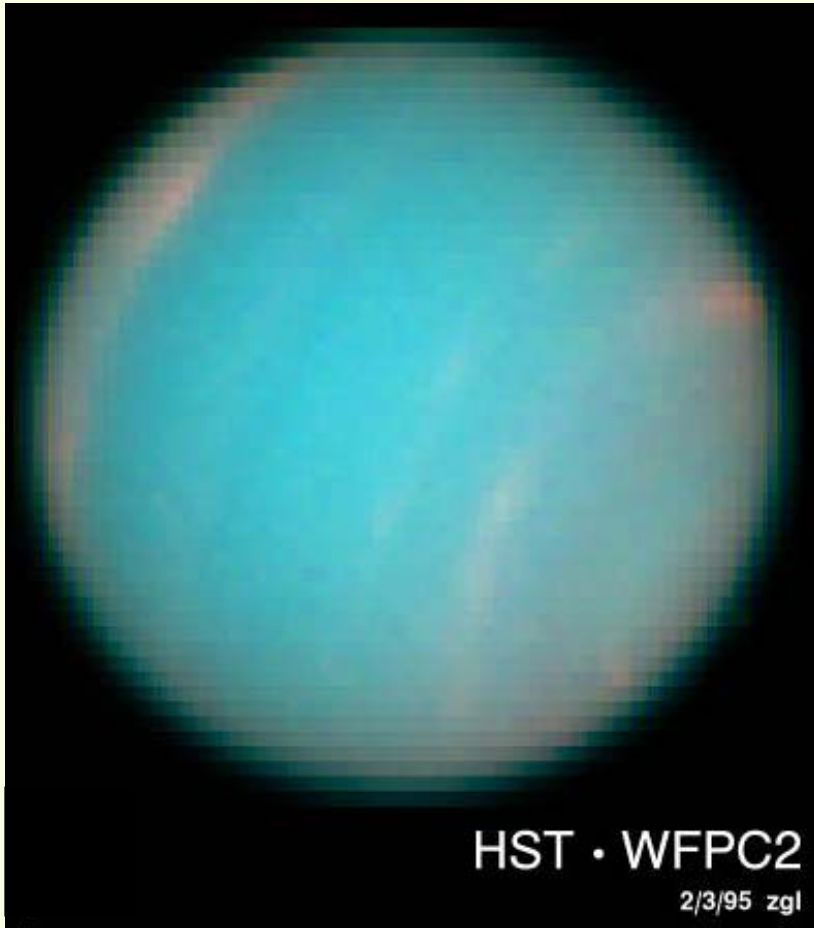
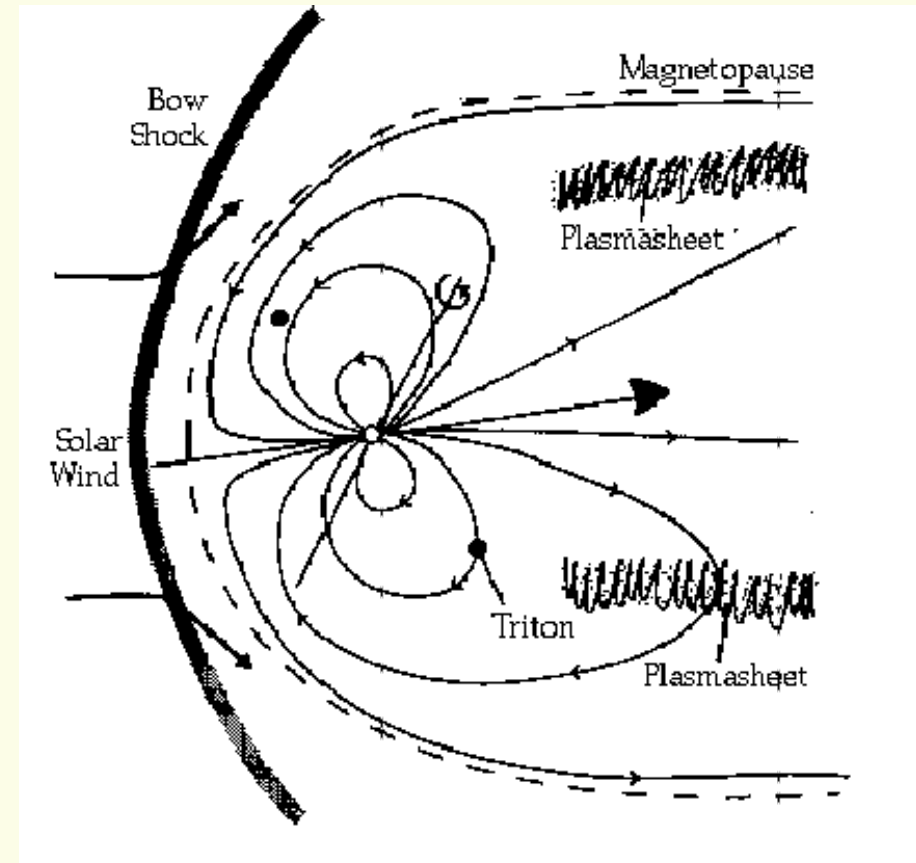
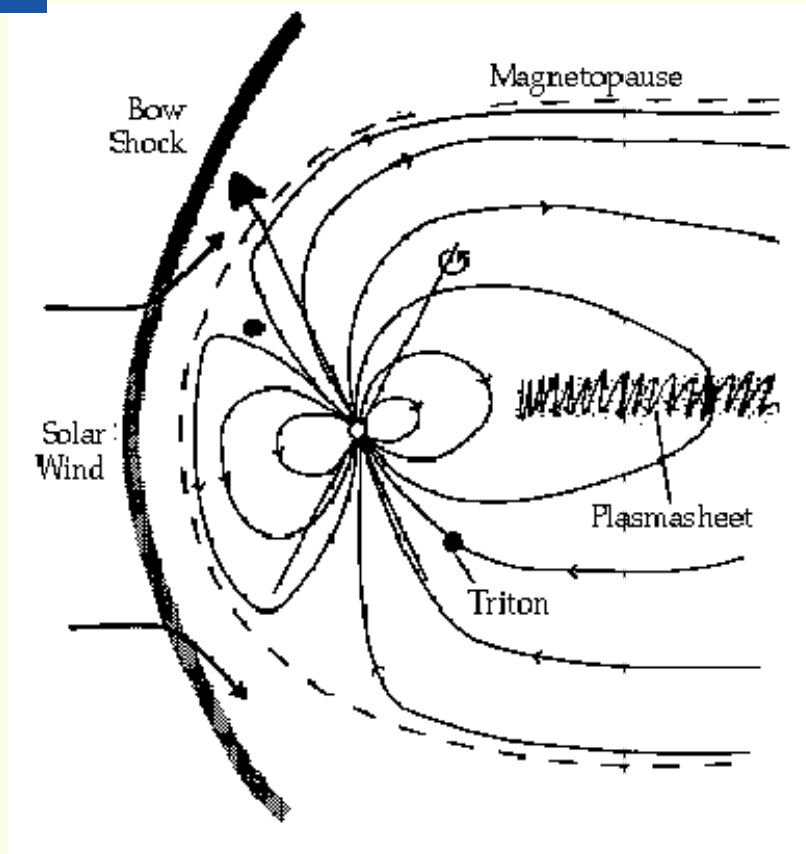


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Neptune

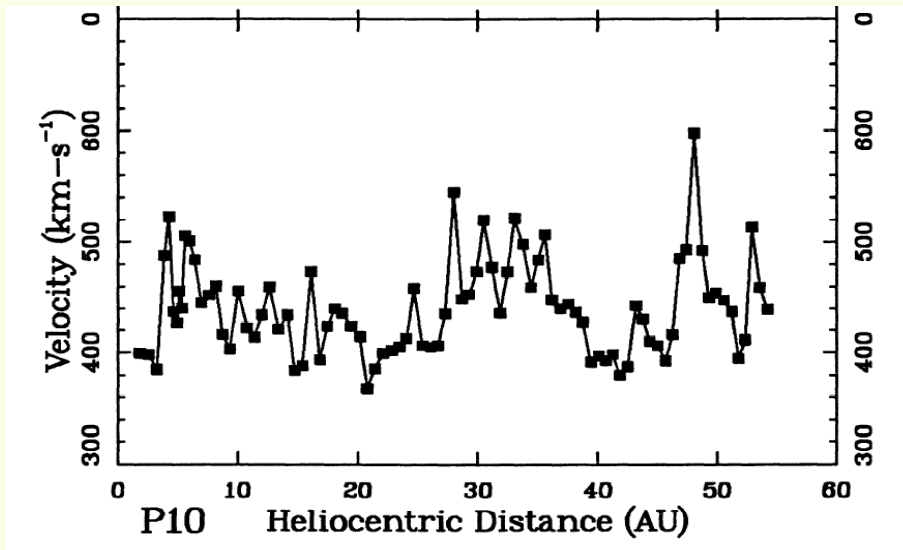


- magnetic field axis makes an angle of around 43° with rotational axis
- this gives enormous daily variations of the structure of the magnetosphere also for Neptune

Comparative magnetospheres

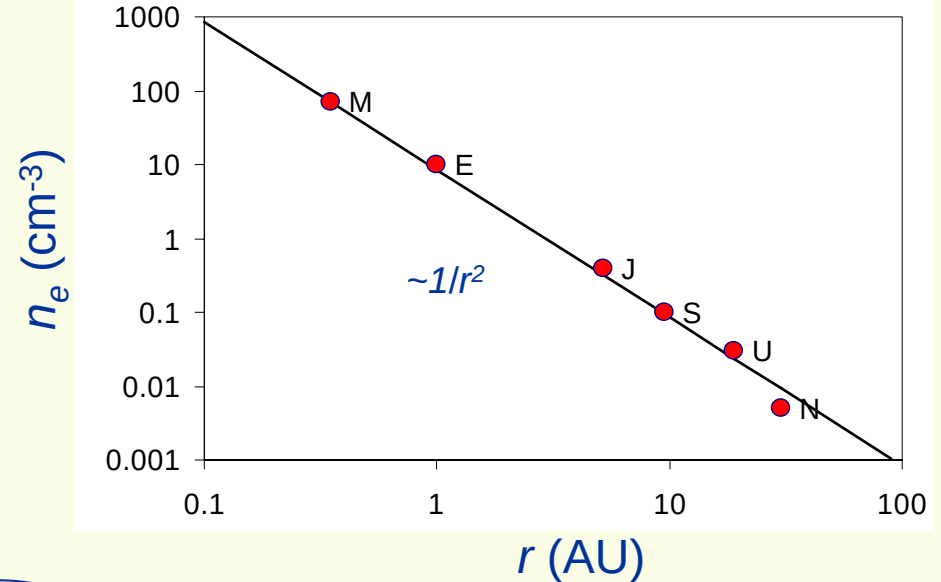
Solar wind properties

Solar wind velocity

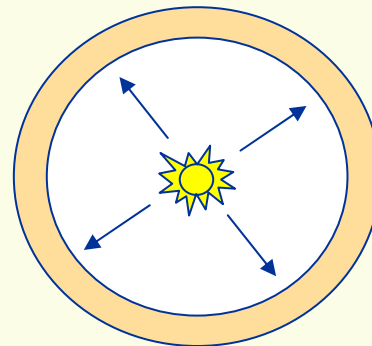


*Pioneer 10, measurements
[Grazin et al., 1994]*

Solar wind electron density



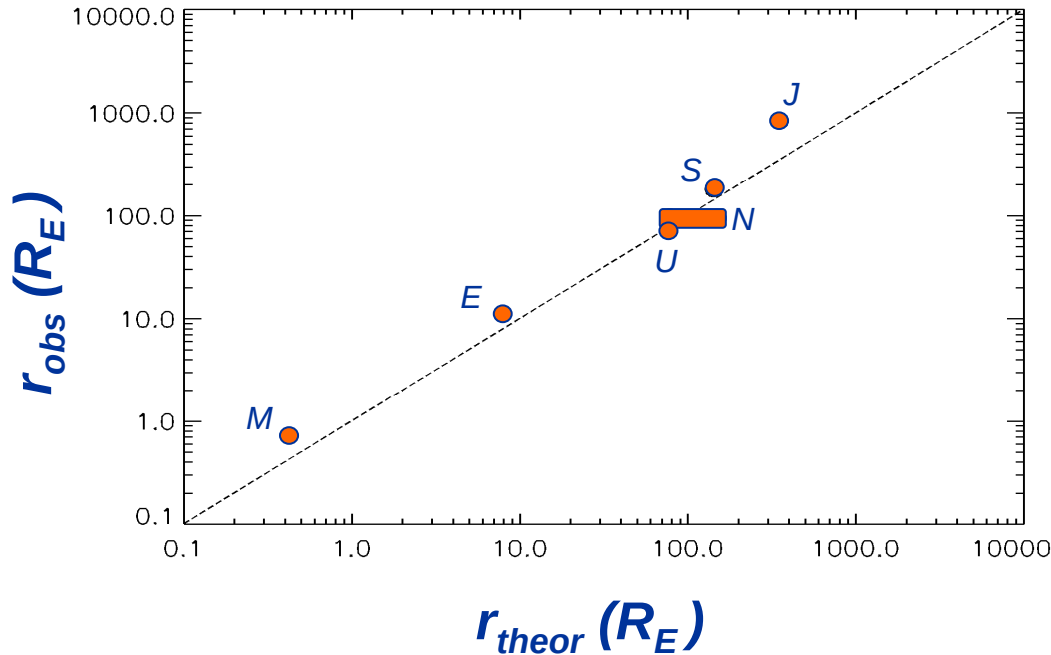
[Blanc et al., 2005]



$$dV = 4\pi r^2 dr$$

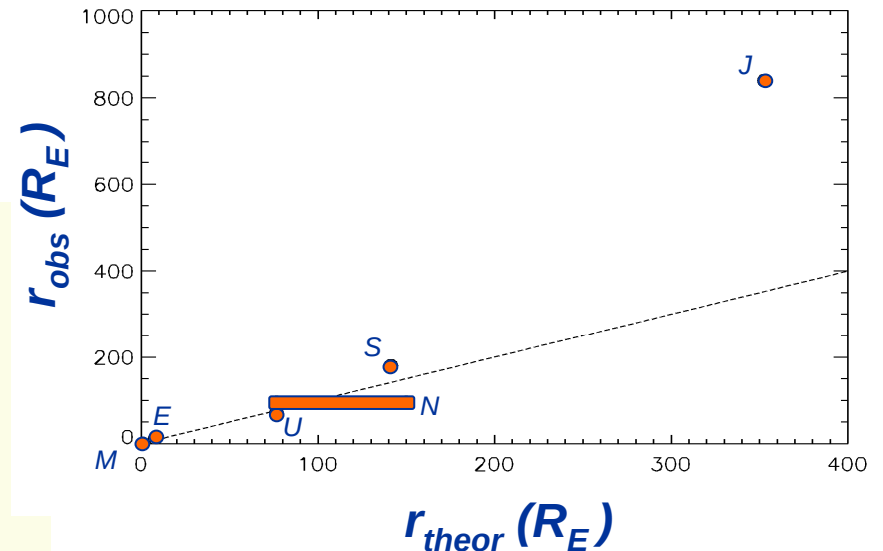
Comparative magnetospheres

Observed vs. theoretical standoff-distance



$$r_{theor} = \left(\frac{\mu_0 a}{4\pi} \right)^{1/3} \left(2\mu_0 \rho_{SW} v_{SW}^2 \right)^{-1/6}$$

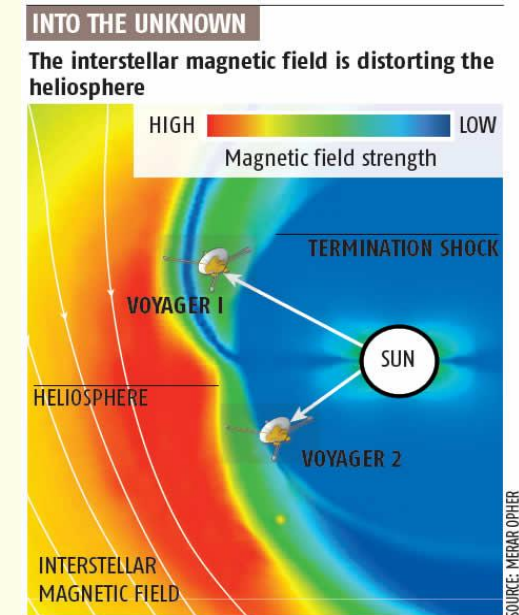
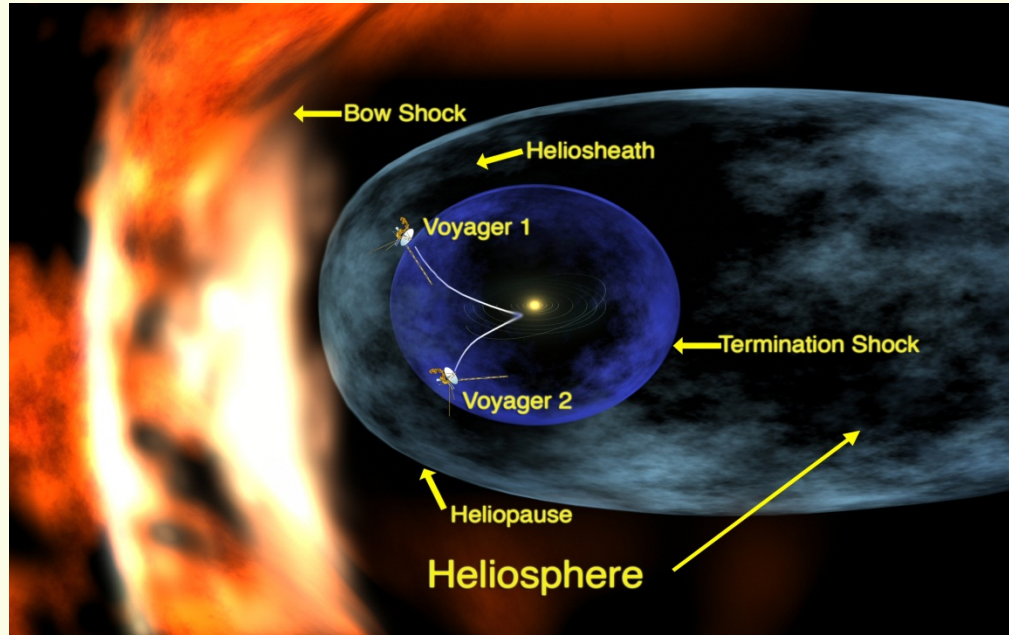
- Model reasonably valid over three orders of magnitude
- Size of Jupiter's (and maybe Saturn's) magnetosphere underestimated



Other other magnetospheres

Heliosphere

Interstellar
wind



[Opher, 2007]

The aurora



The aurora

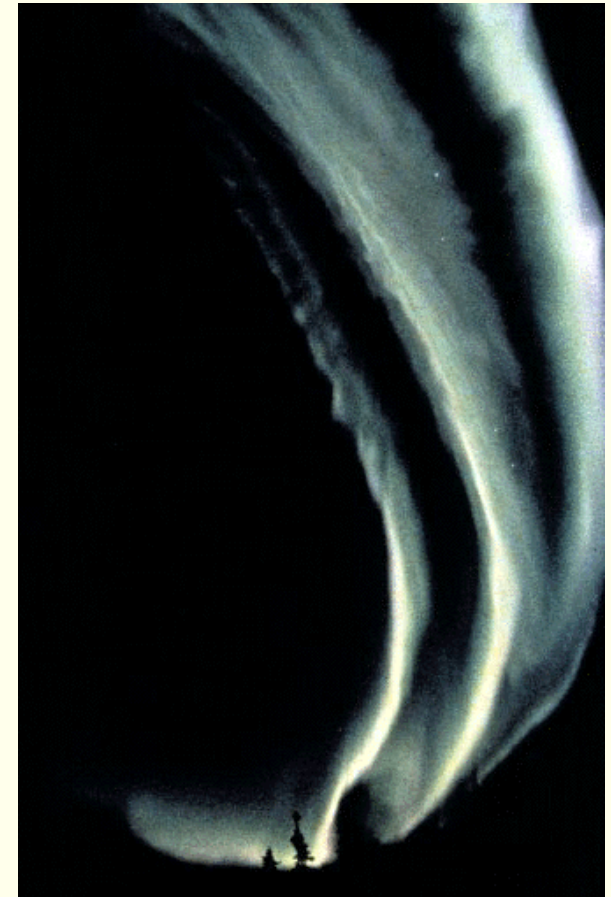




The aurora

External movie

Homogenous auroral arcs



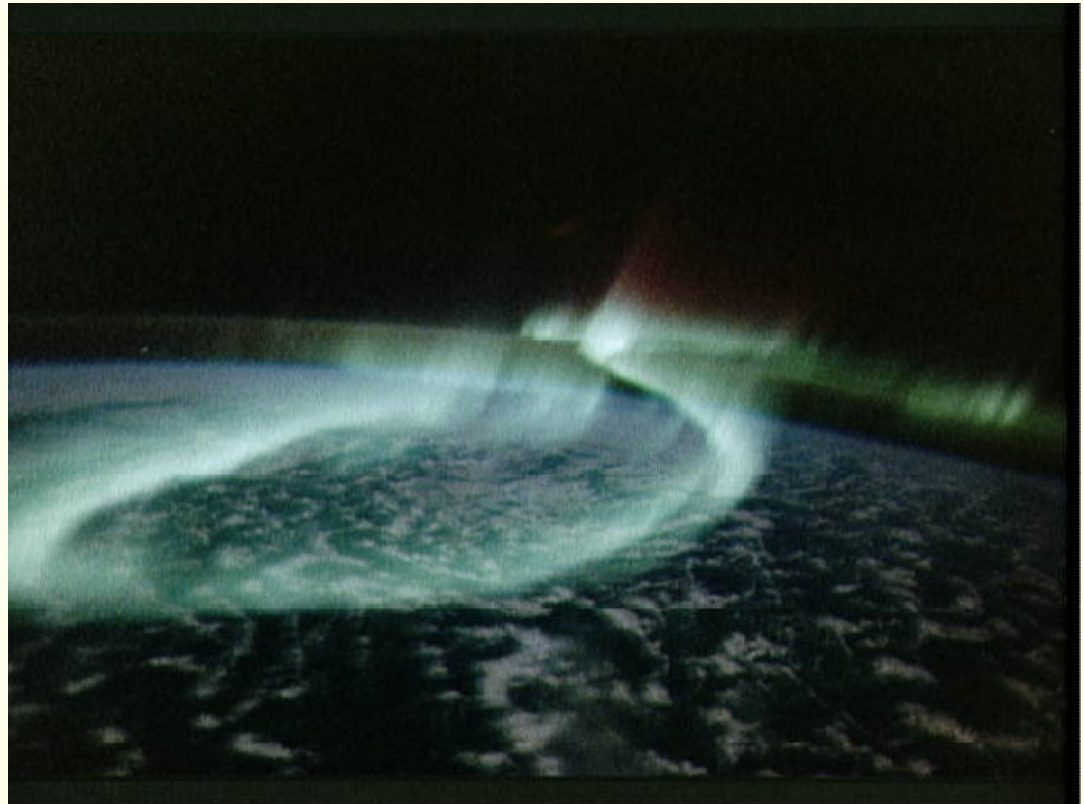
Rays, curtains

Rays are formed in the direction of the local magnetic field.



Drapes develop from homogenous arcs, often when they increase in intensity.

Auroral spirals

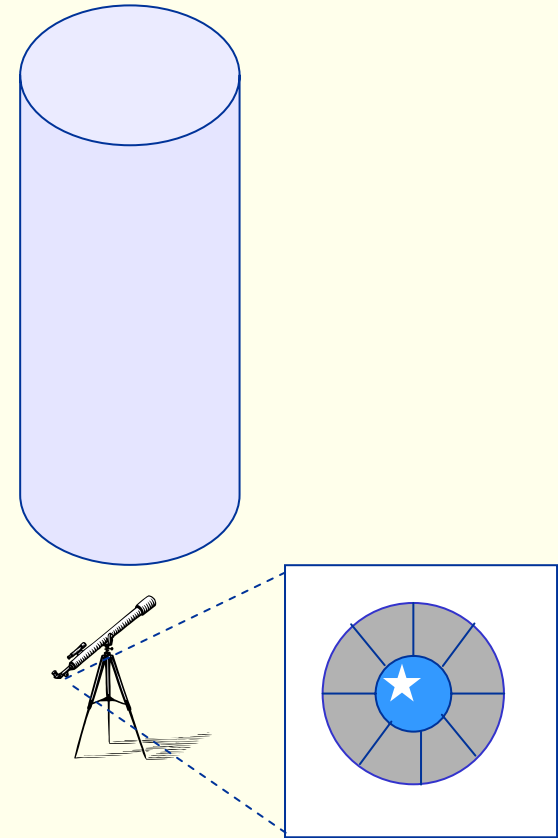


Develop when arcs become unstable

Auroral corona



Geometric effect of perspective when you look towards magnetic zenith. Compare the figure.



Aurora - altitude

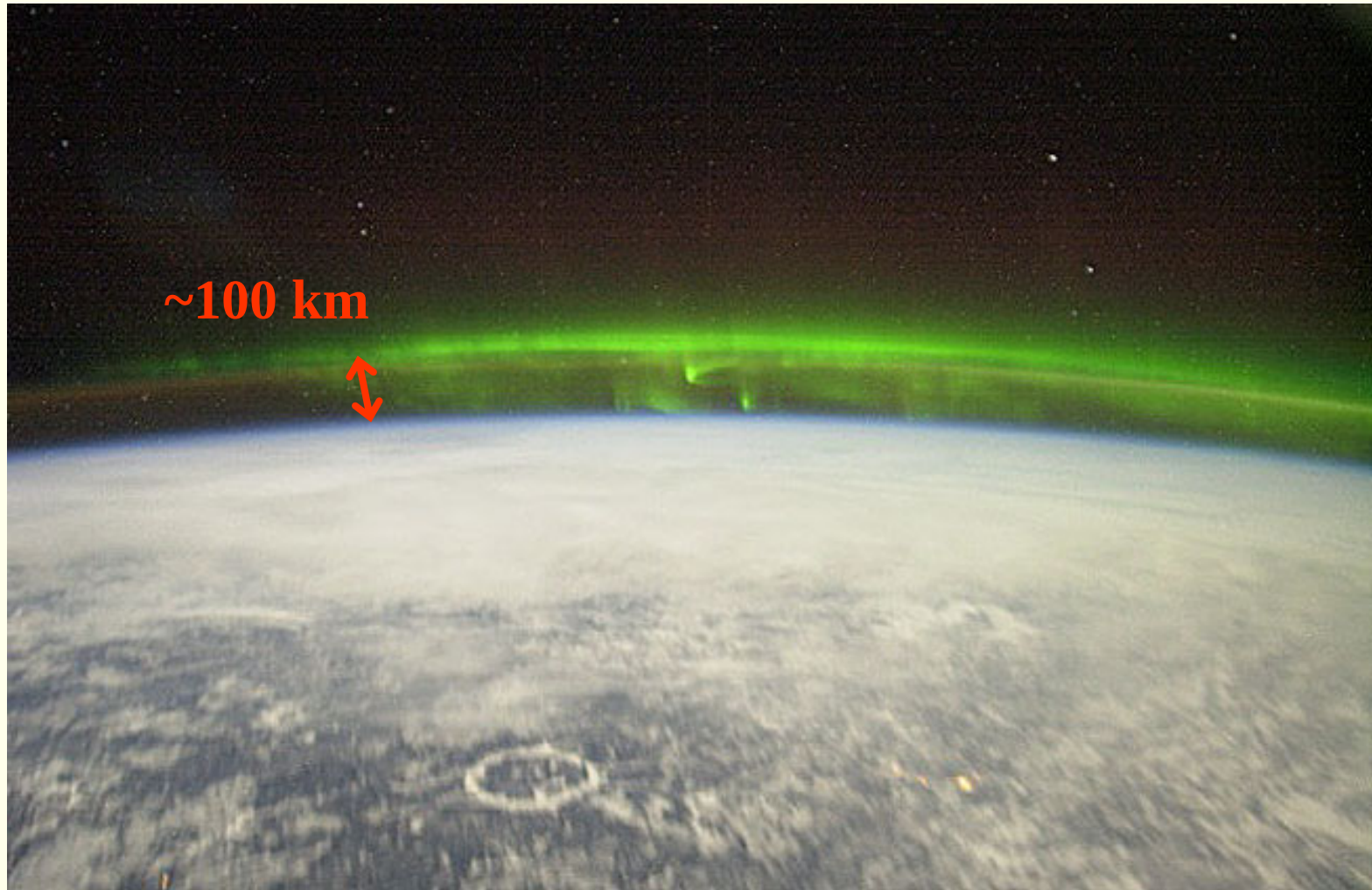


Foto from International Space Station

Early notions



Woodcut from Böhmen 1570.



Anders Celsius documented that compass needles were strongly affected during auroral activity in 1733.

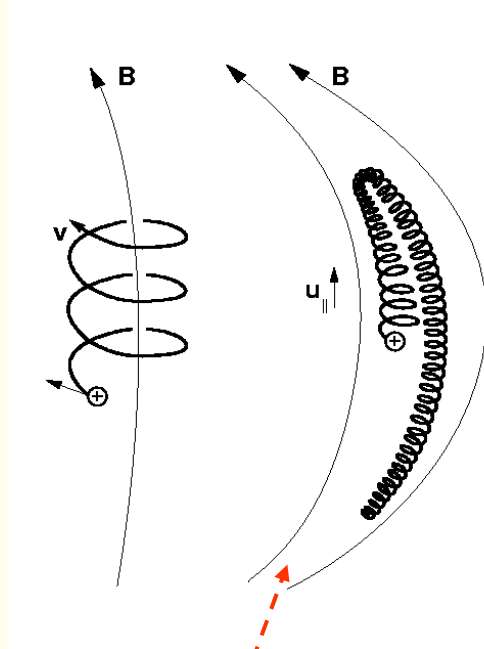


What causes the aurora?

Particle motion in geomagnetic field

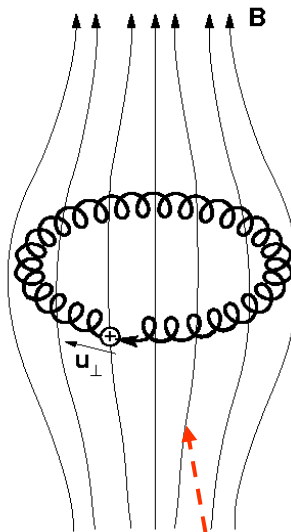
longitudinal oscillation

gyration

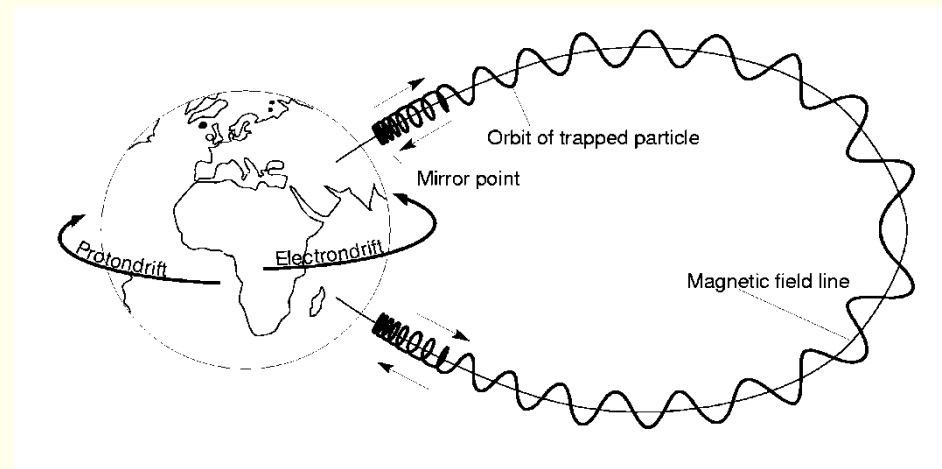


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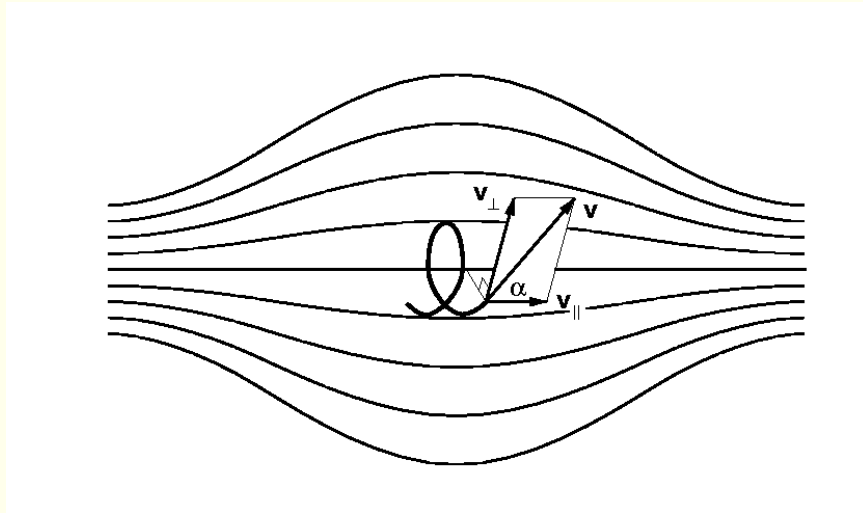
azimuthal drift



grad B drift



Magnetic mirror



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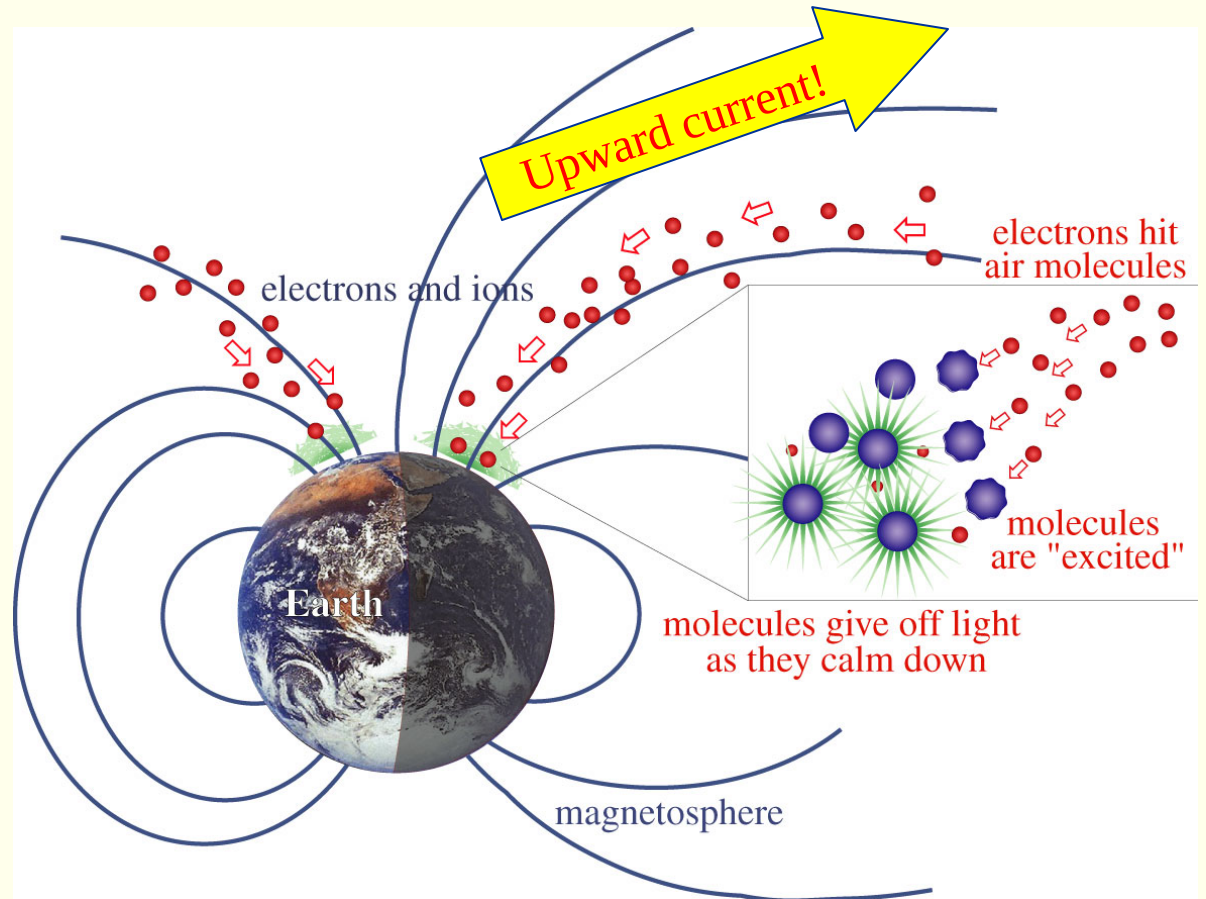
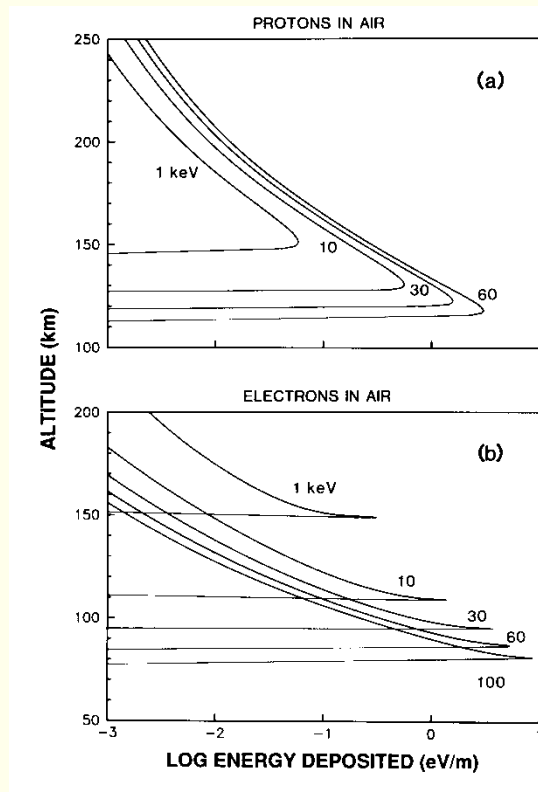
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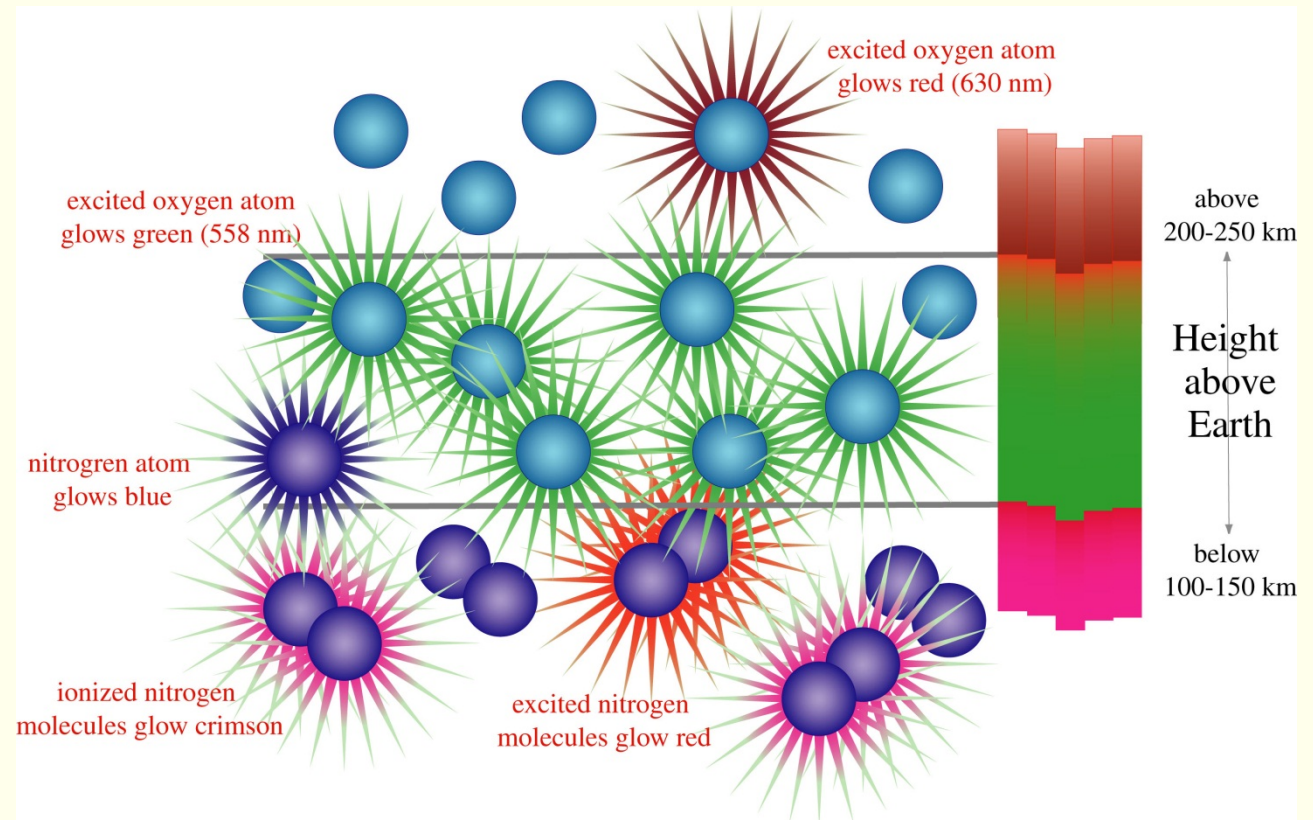
Particles in
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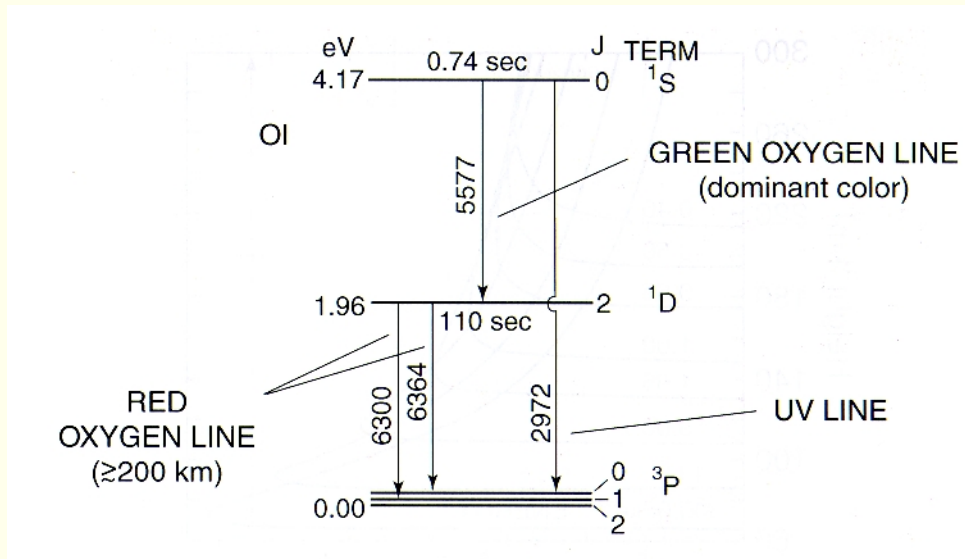
Collisions - emissions



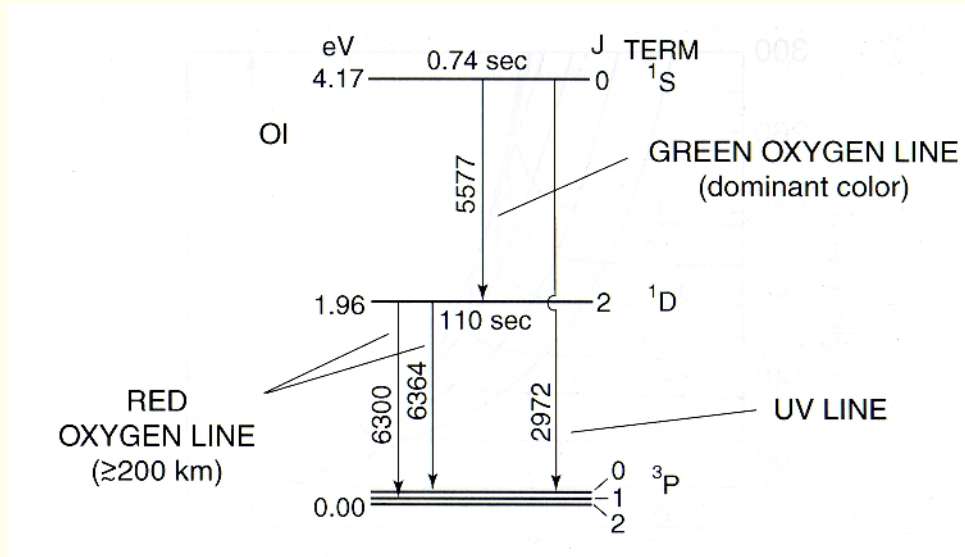
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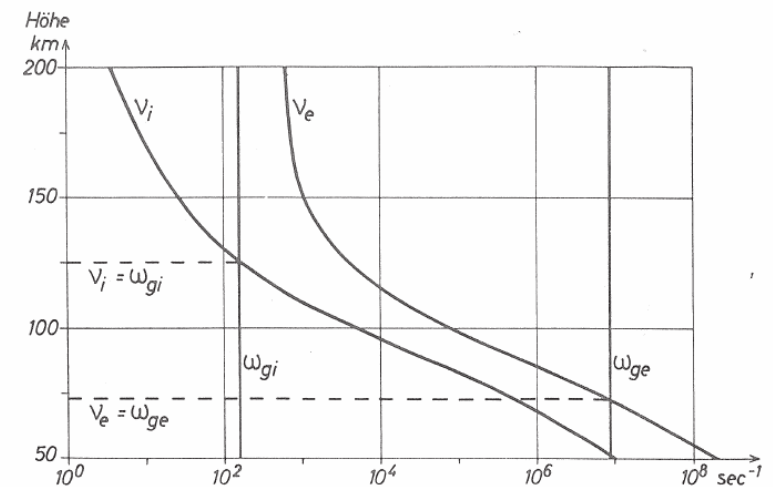
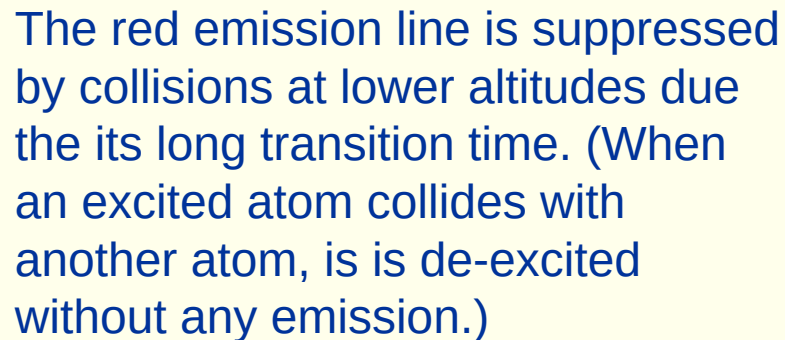


Oxygen emissions



Why is there no red emissions at lower altitude?





Larger scales

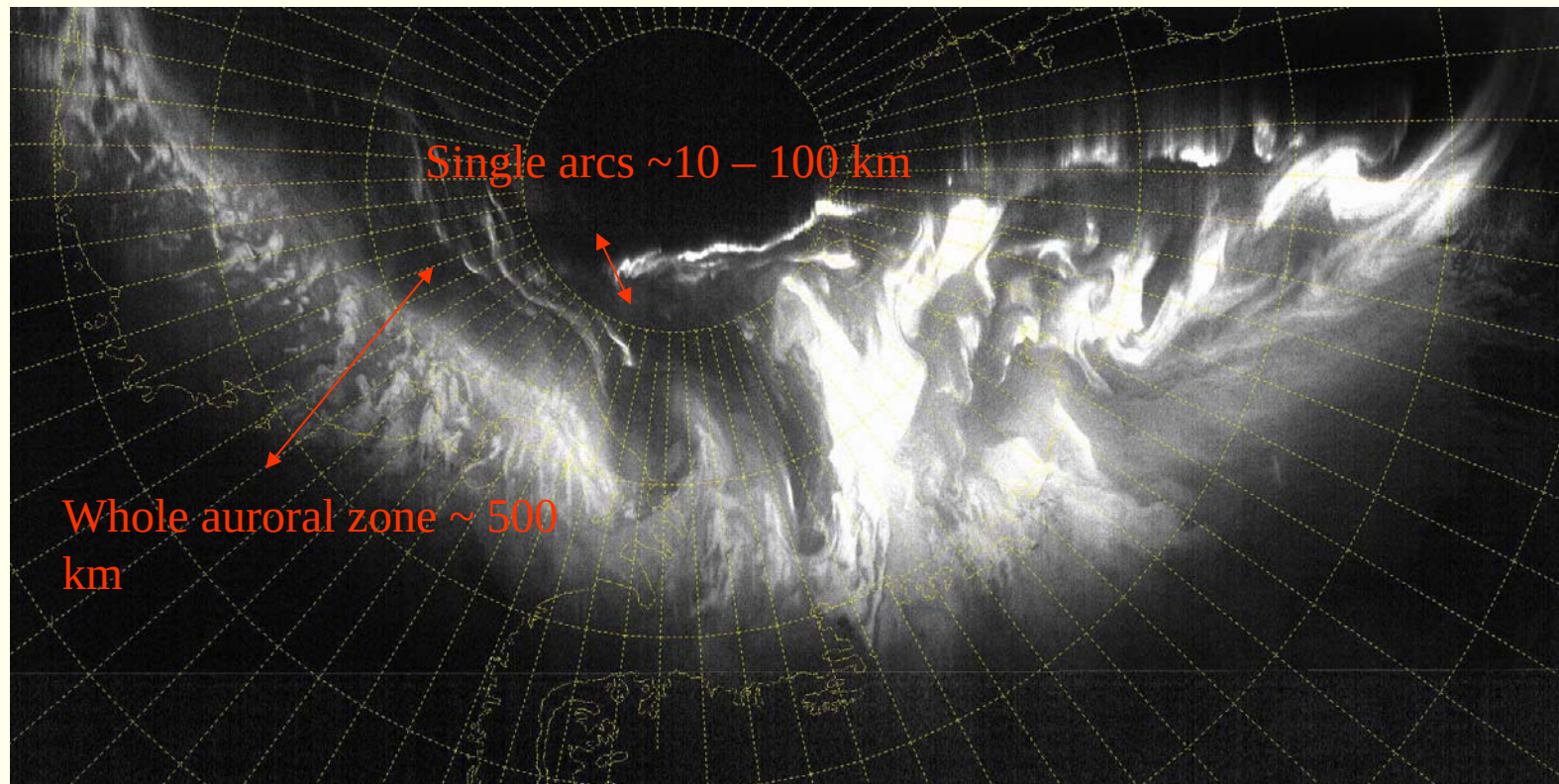
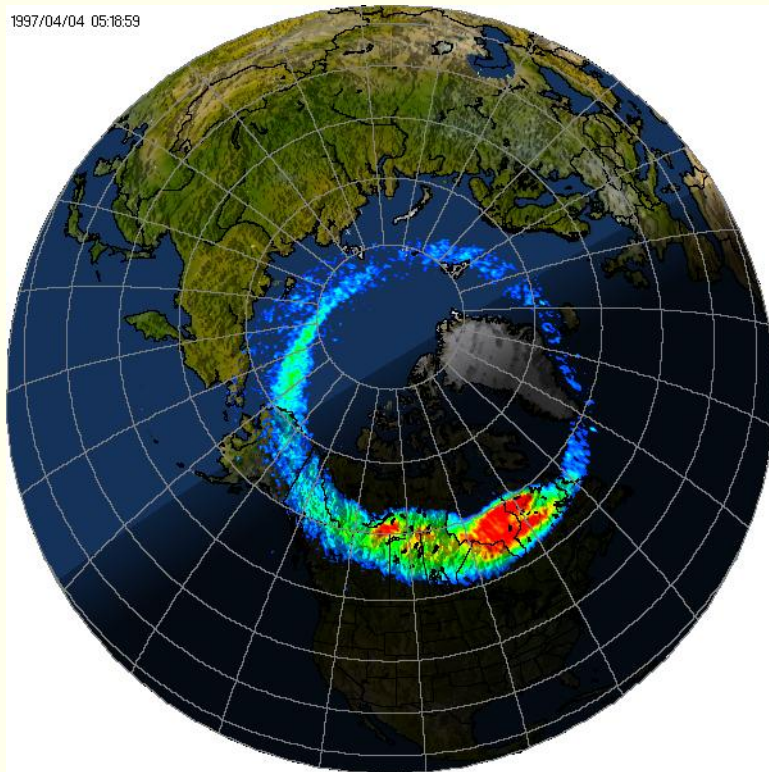
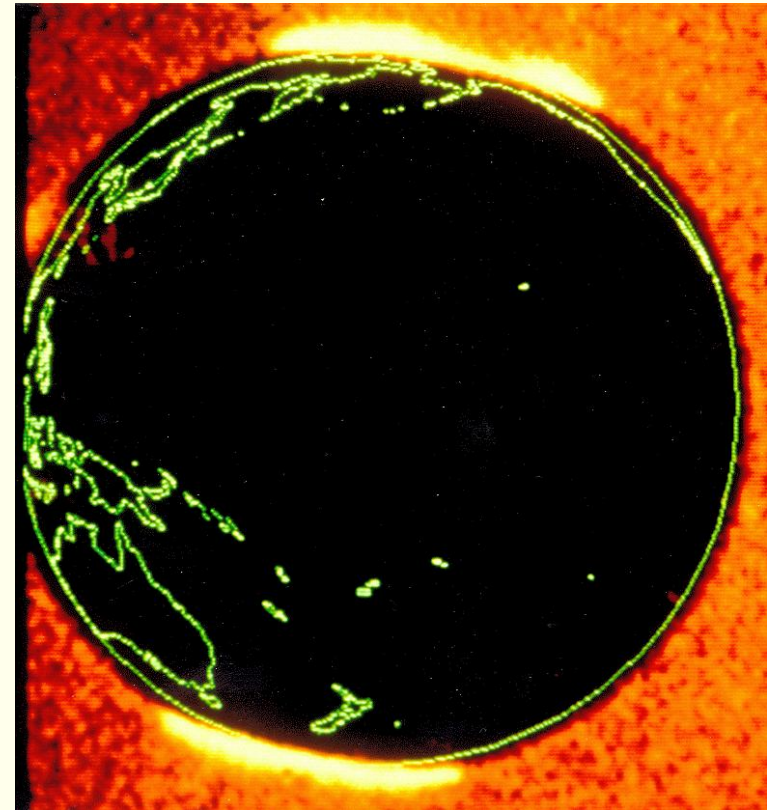


Foto från DMSP-satelliten

Auroral ovals



Polar

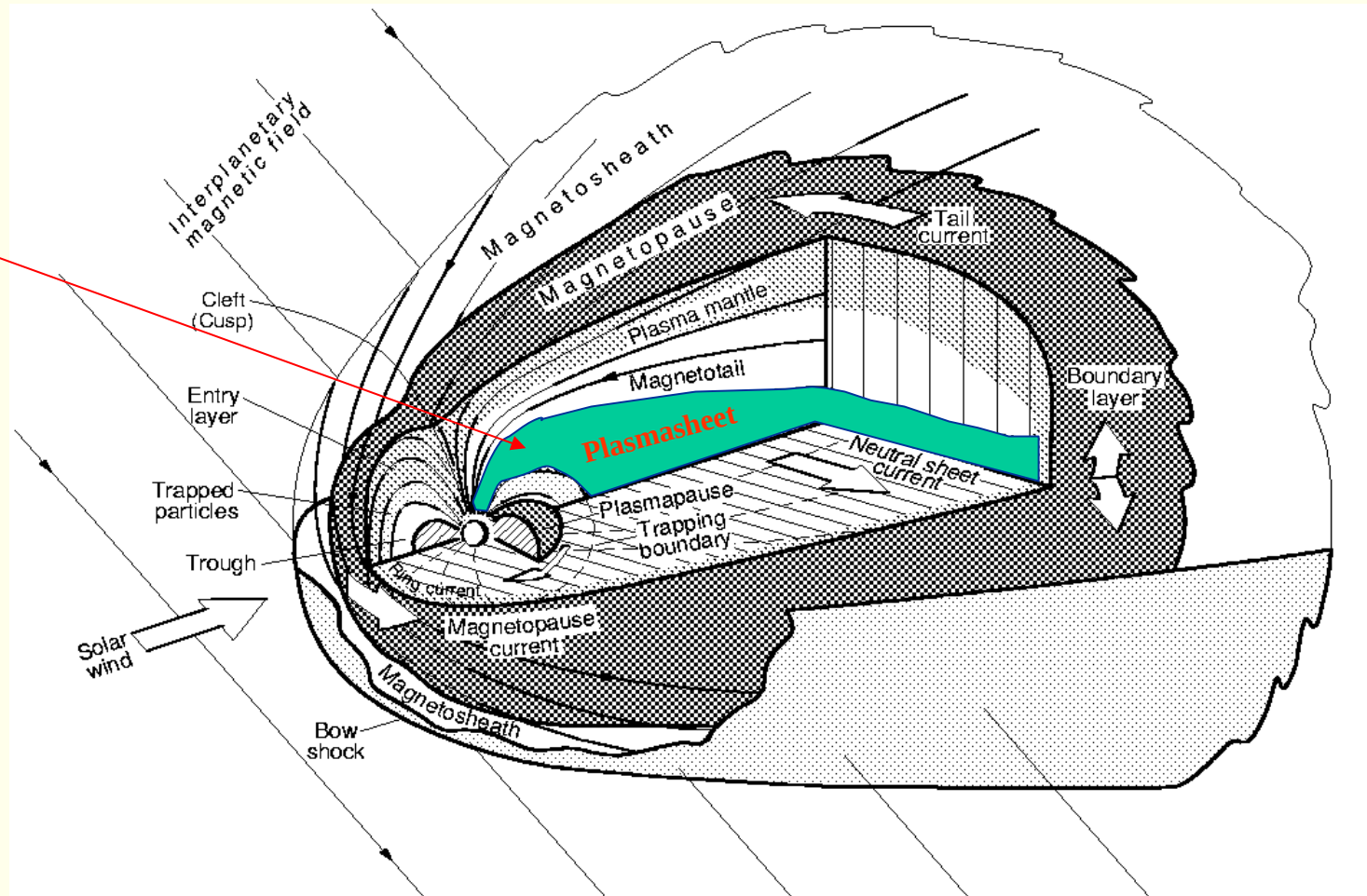


Dynamics Explorer

The auroral oval is the projection of the plasmasheet onto the atmosphere

Mystery!

The particles in the plasmasheet do not have high enough energy to create aurora visible to the eye.



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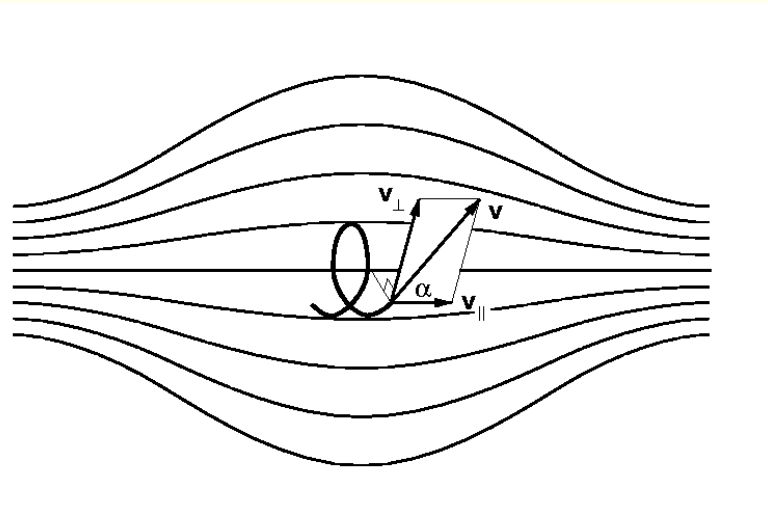
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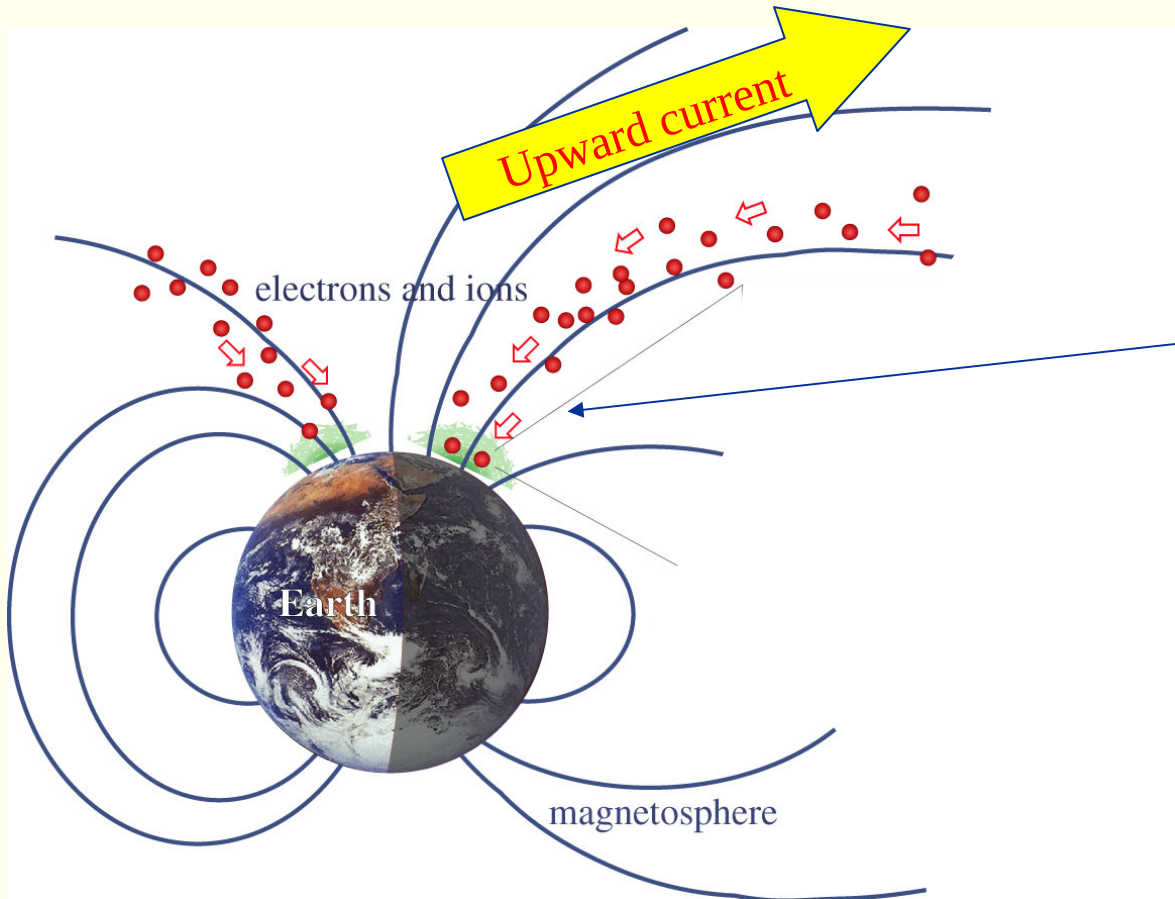
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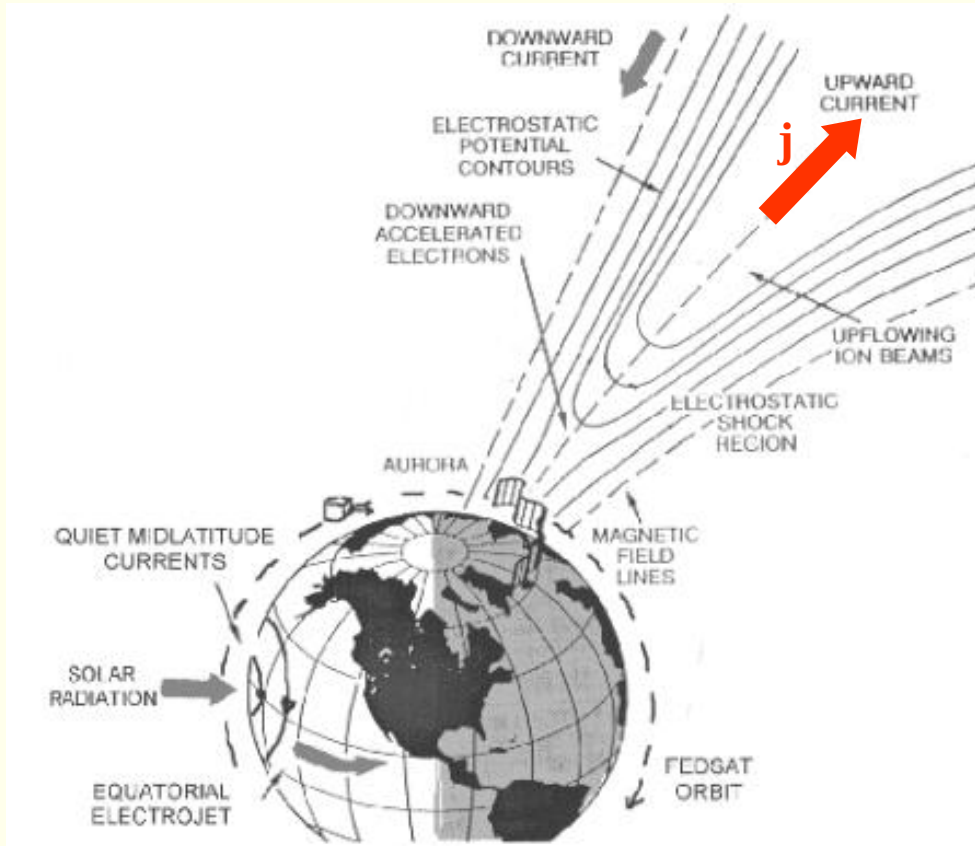


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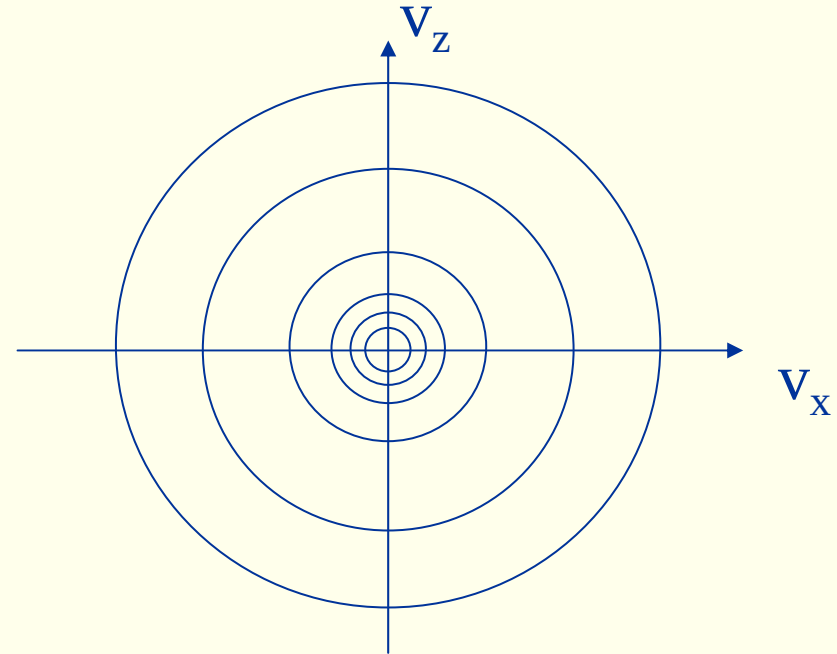
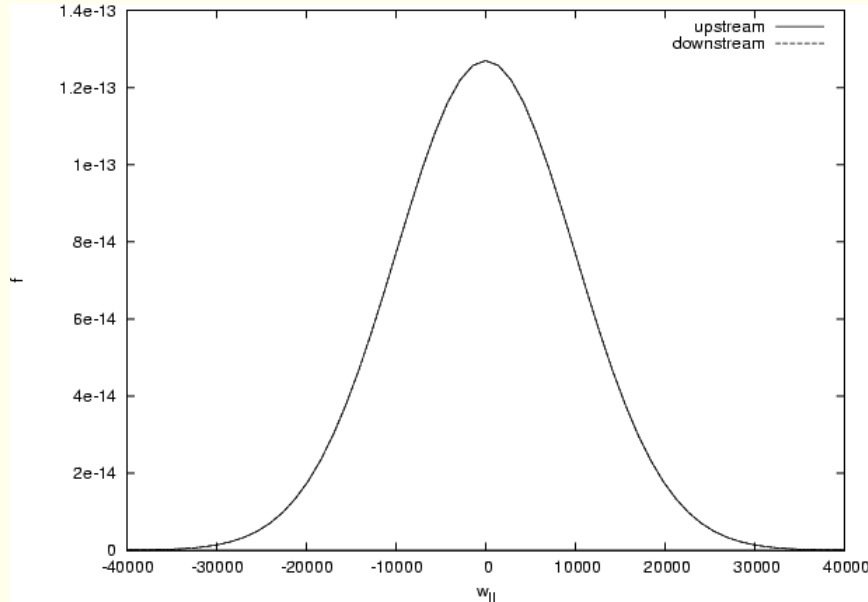
- The magnetosphere often seems to act as a current generator.
- The lower down you are on the field line, the more particles have been reflected by the magnetic mirror.
- At low altitudes there are not enough electrons to carry the current.

Why particle acceleration?



- Electrons are accelerated downwards by upward E-field.
- This increases the pitch-angle of the electrons, and more electrons can reach the ionosphere, where the current can be closed.

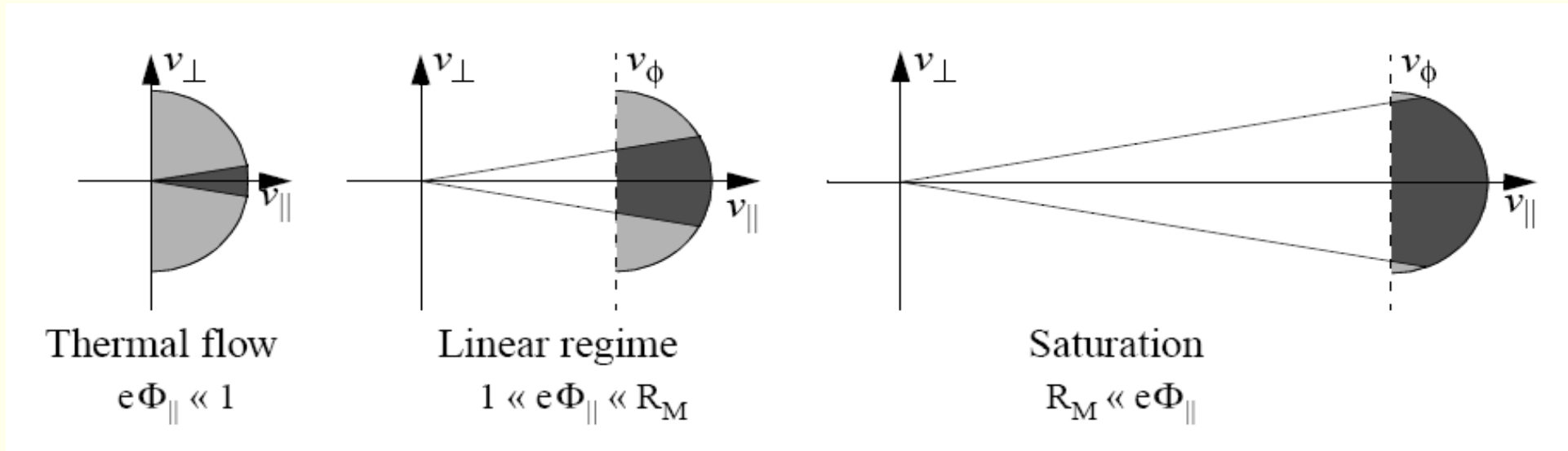
Distribution function



Example:
Maxwellian
distribution

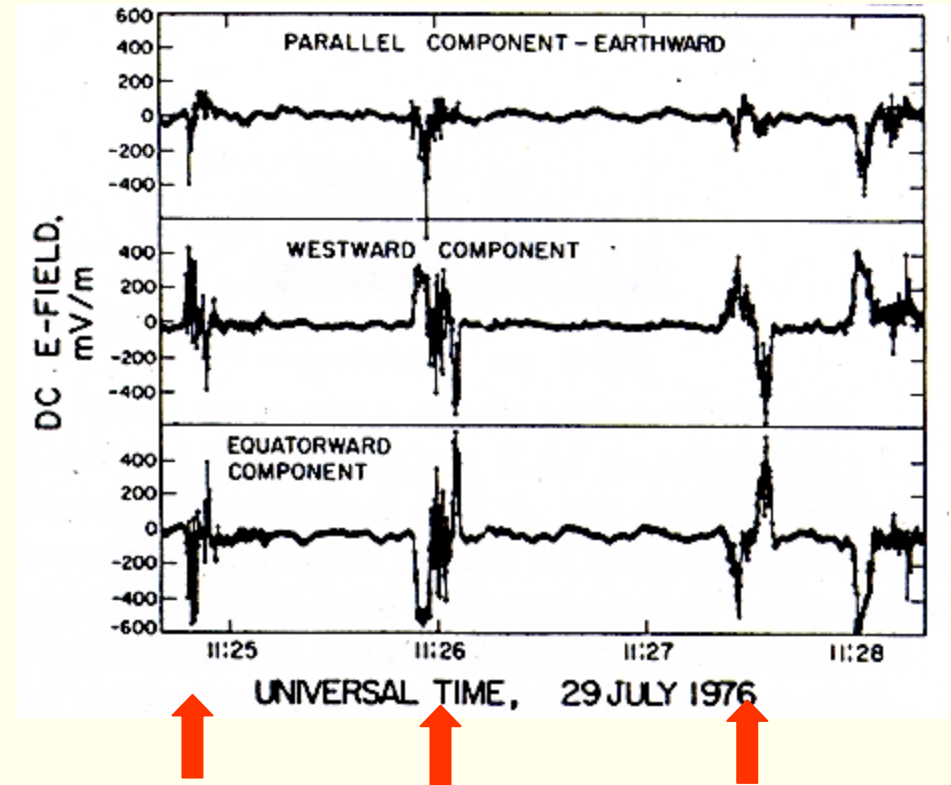
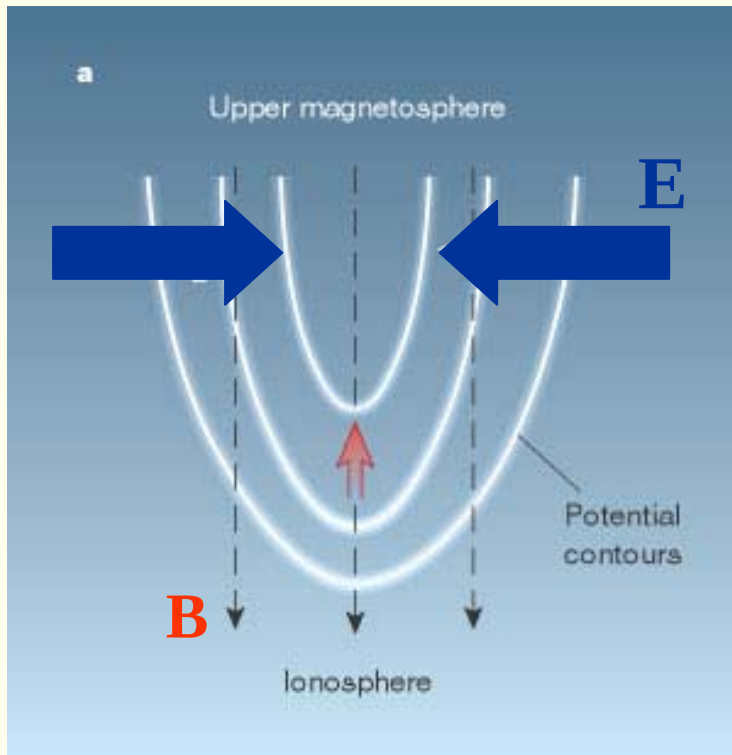
$$f = \frac{n}{\sqrt{(2\pi RT)^3}} \exp \left(-\frac{m(v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2)}{2kT} \right)$$

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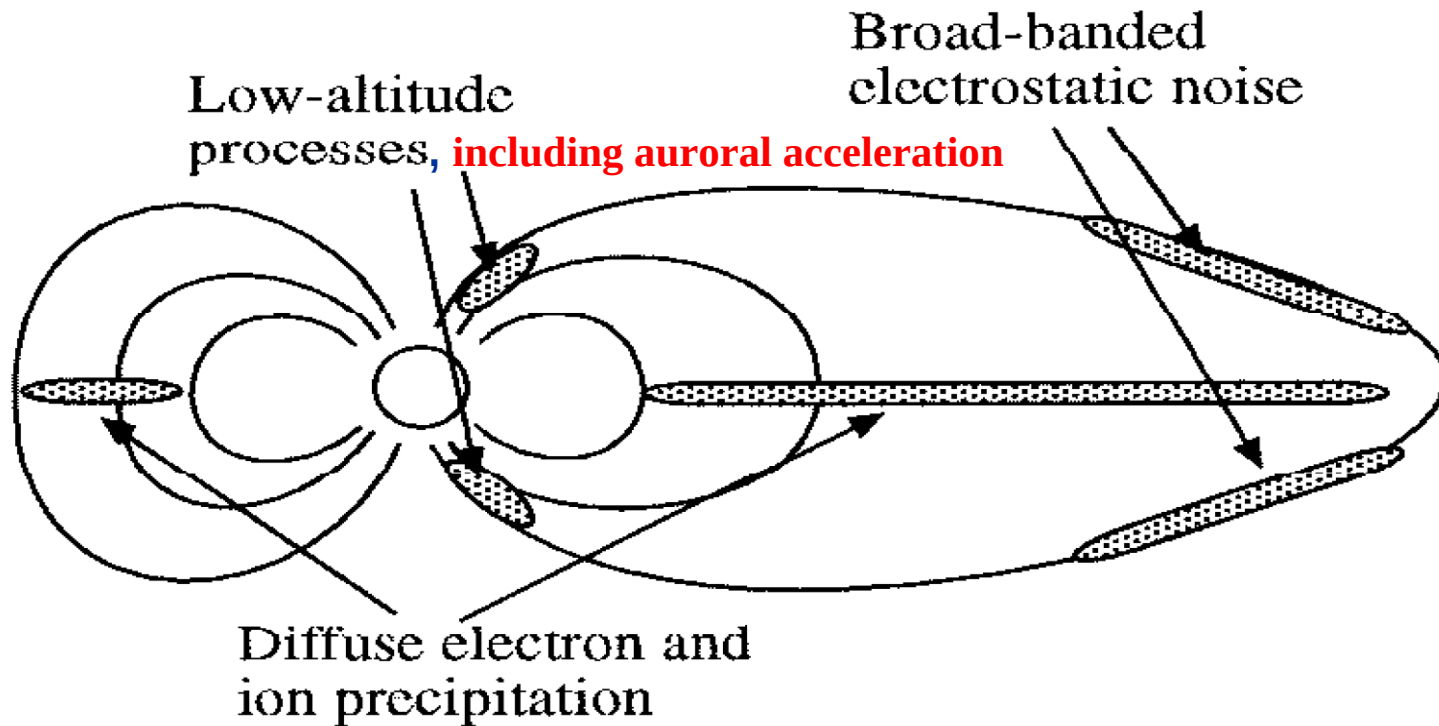
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Satellite signatures of U potential



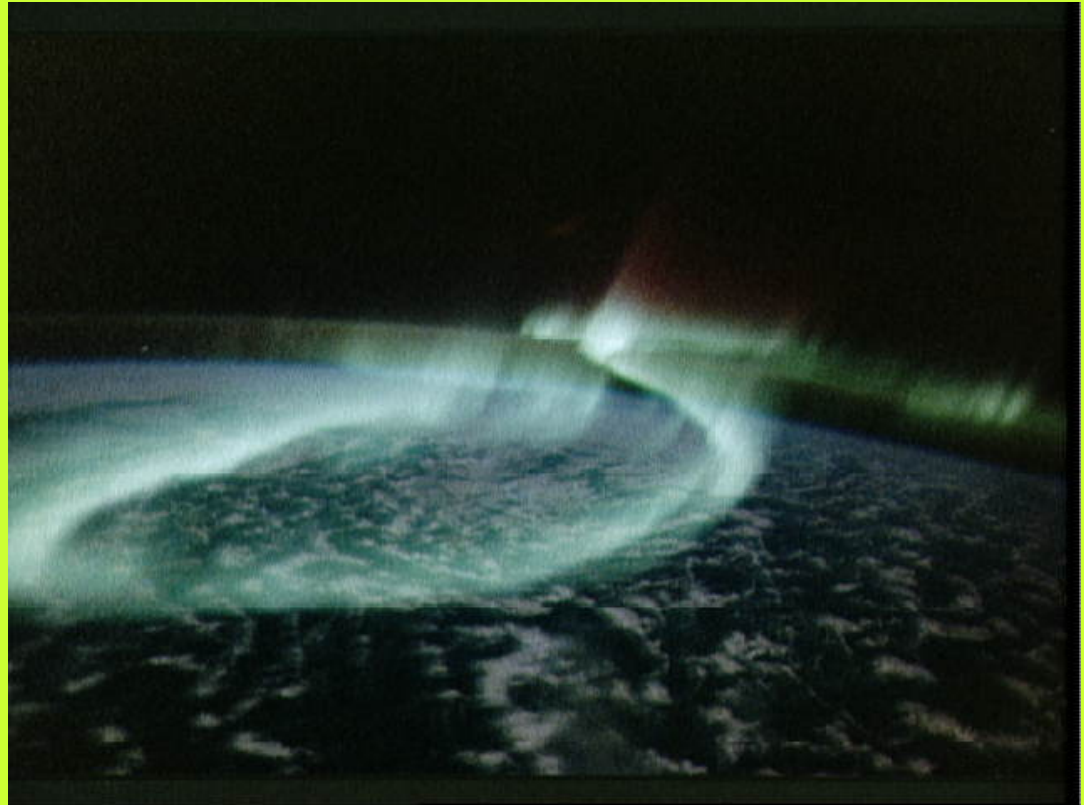
Measurements made by the ISEE satellite
(Mozer et al., 1977)

Acceleration regions



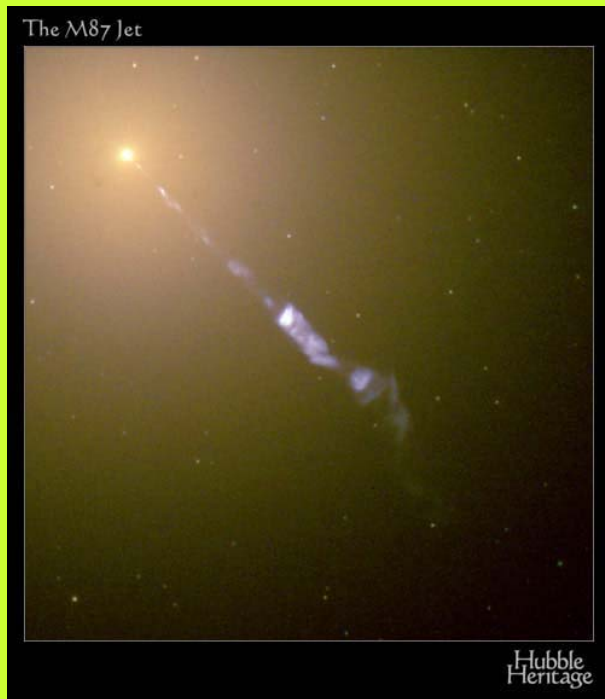
Auroral acceleration region typically situated at altitude of 1-3 R_E

Auroral spirals

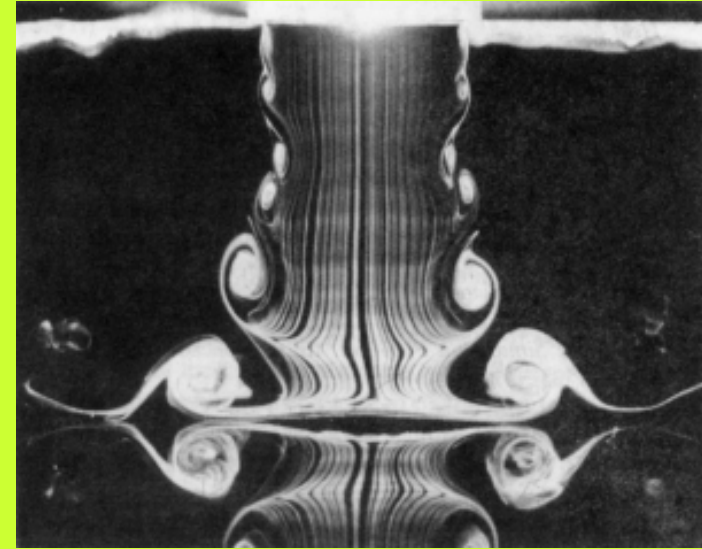


Develop when arcs become unstable

Kelvin-Helmholtz- instability – a general phenomenon



Extragalactic jet (M87)



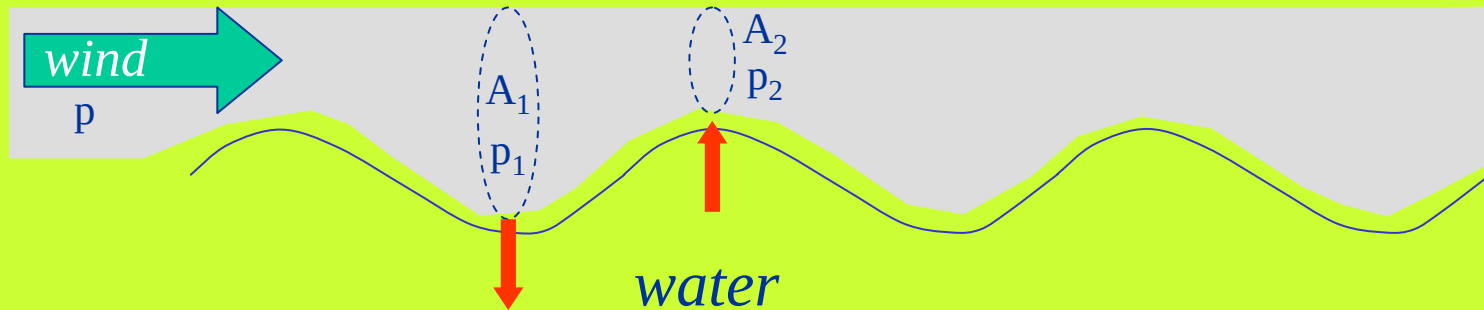
Aero- and fluid dynamics



Cluds

Kelvin-Helmholtz instability

Example: water waves



Continuity equation:

$$A_1 v_1 = A_2 v_2$$

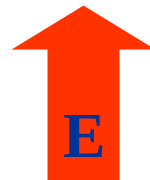
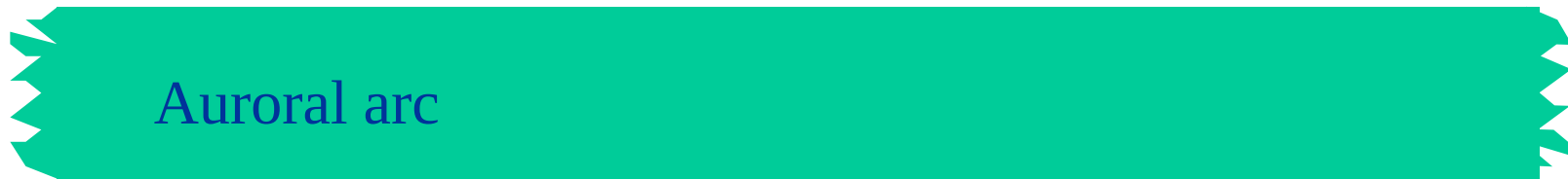
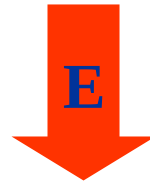
Bernoulli's equation:

$$p_1 + \rho v_1^2 = p_2 + \rho v_2^2 = \text{const.}$$

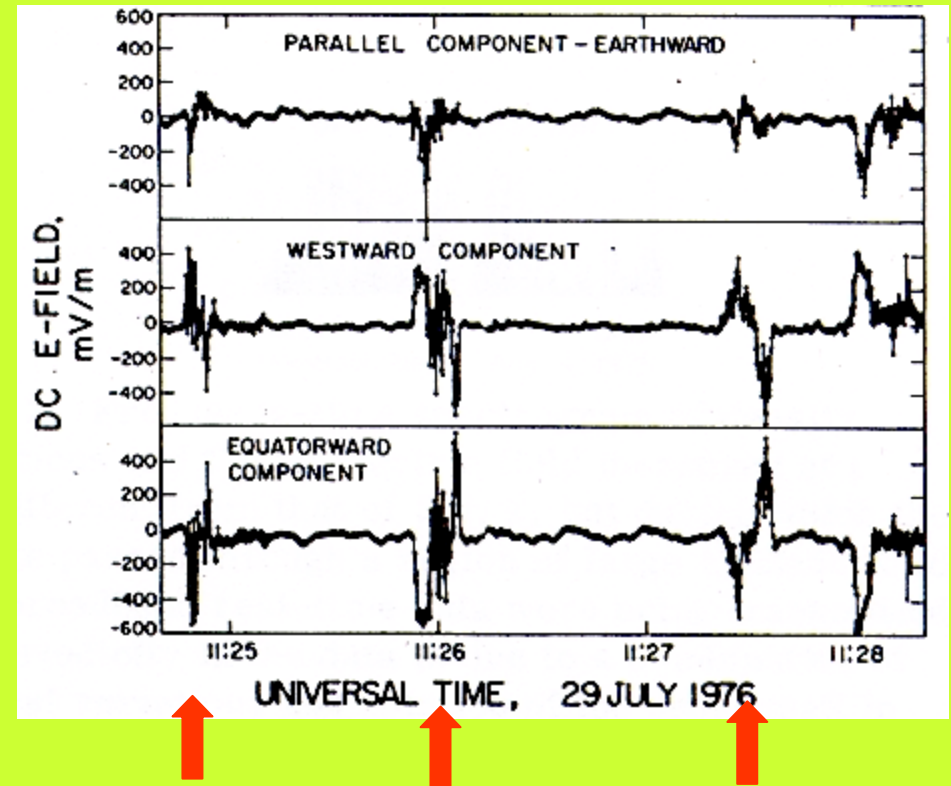
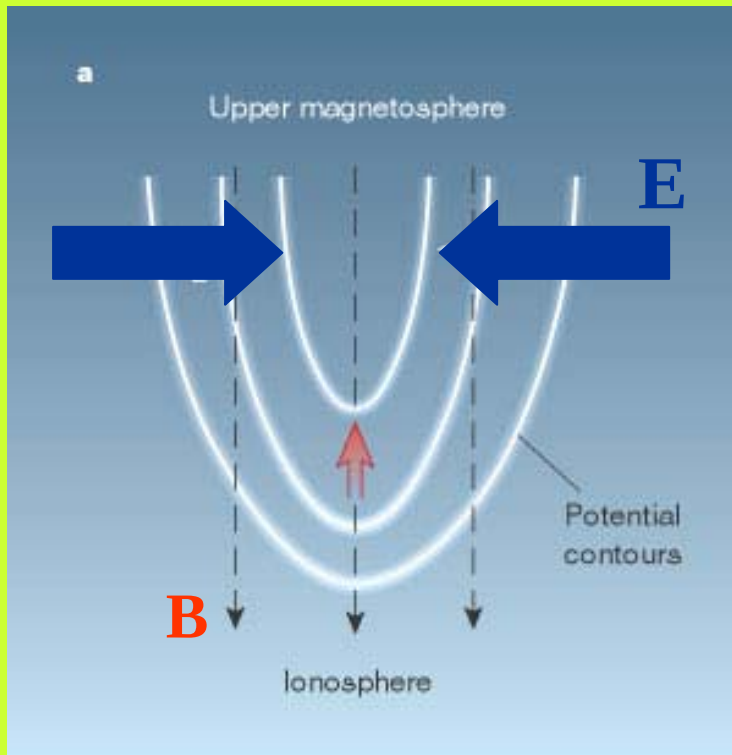
$$\therefore p_1 > p > p_2$$

Spirals – Kelvin-Helmholtz instability

$\otimes$ B



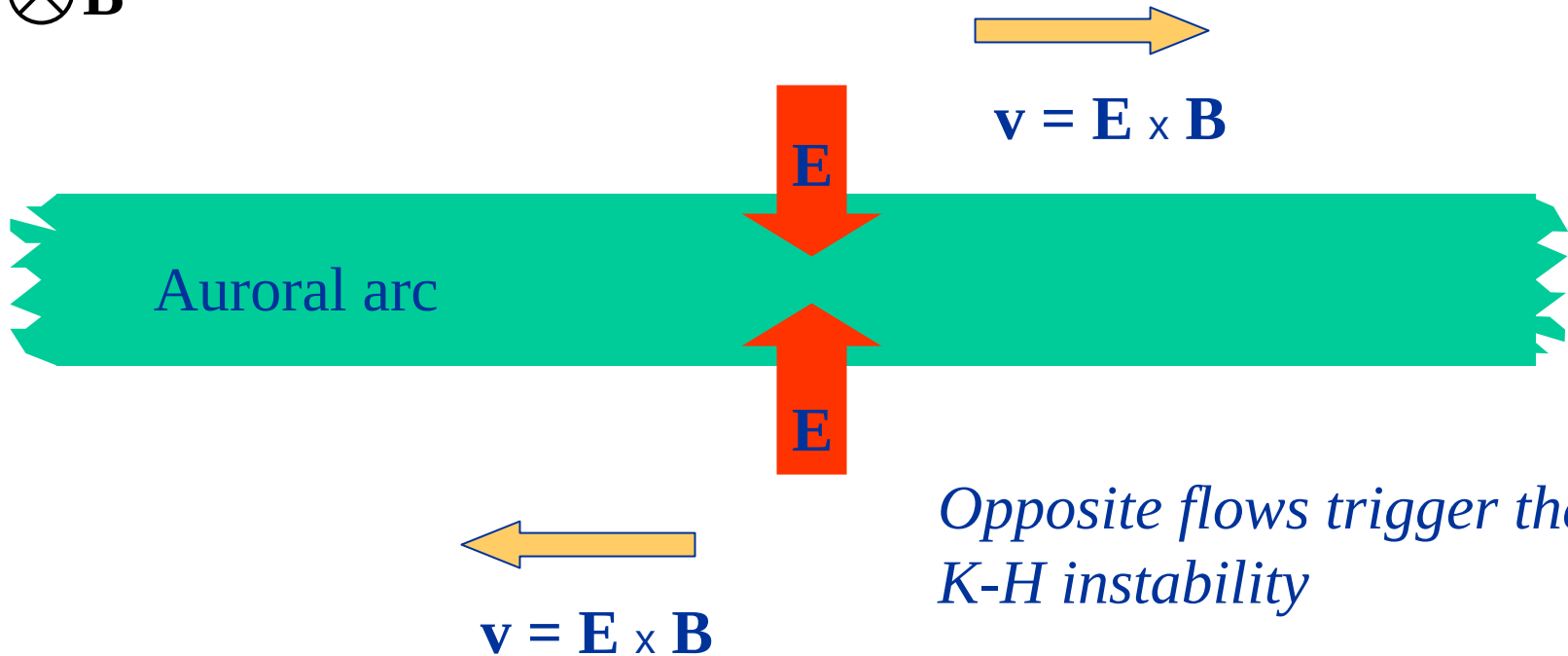
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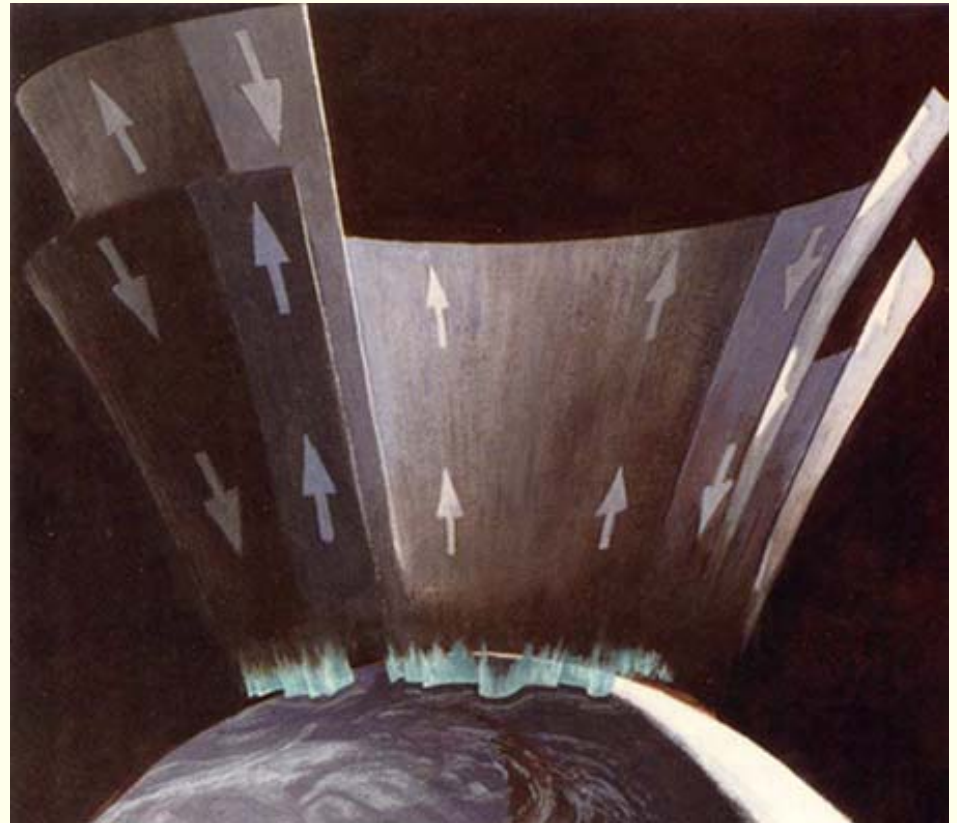
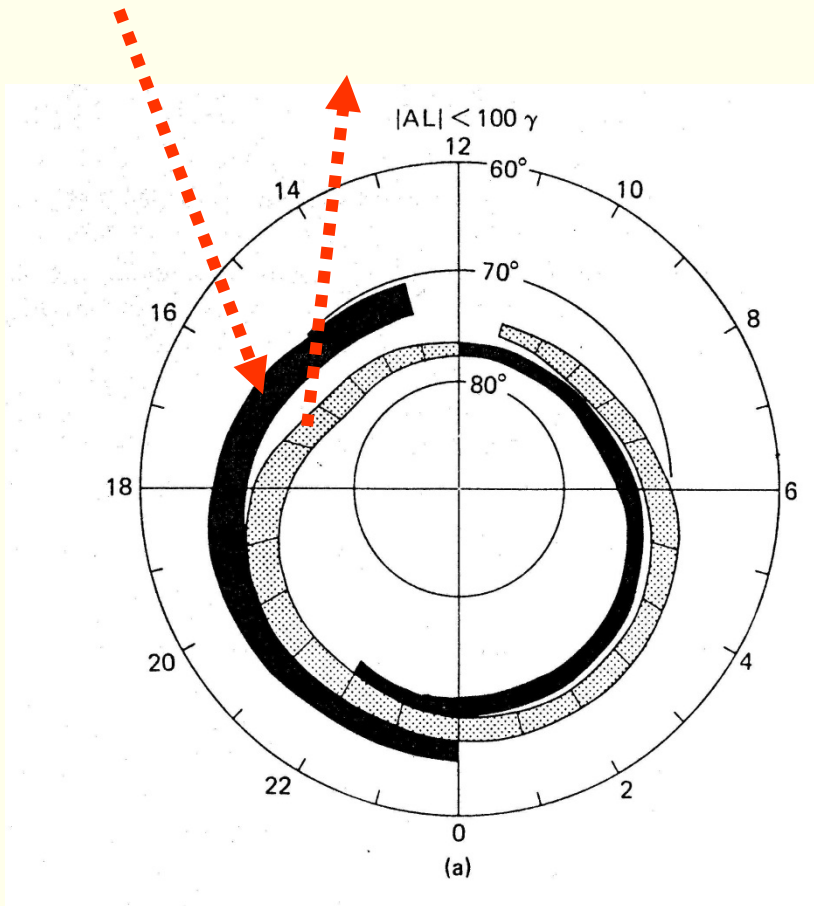
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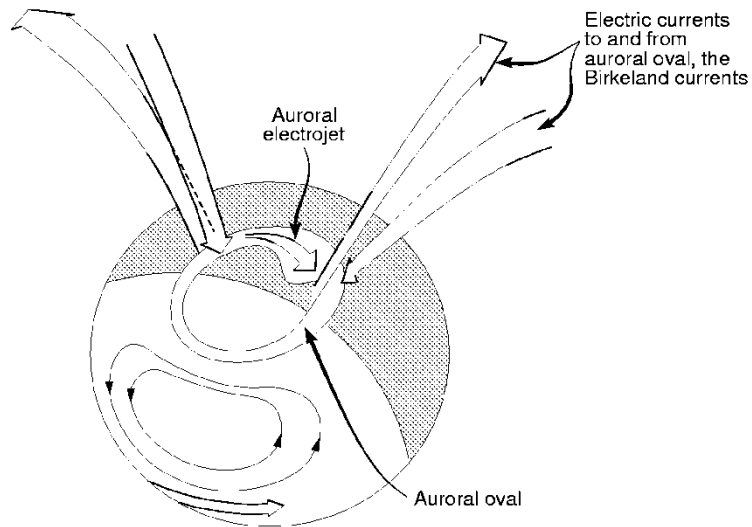
Birkeland currents in the auroral oval



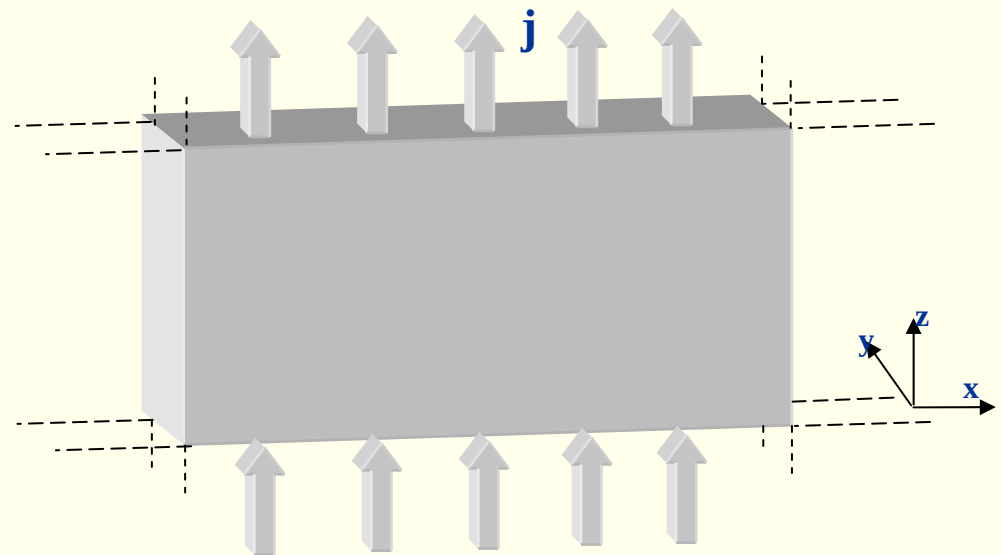
How can you measure currents in space?



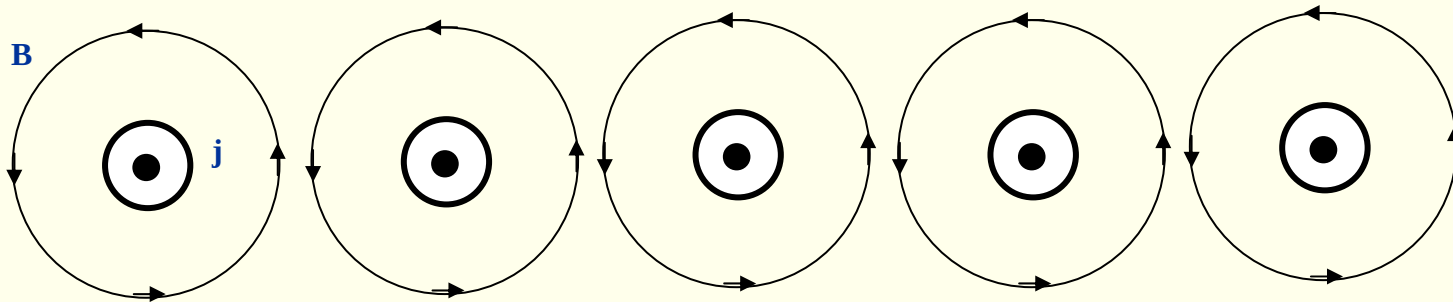
Current sheet approximation



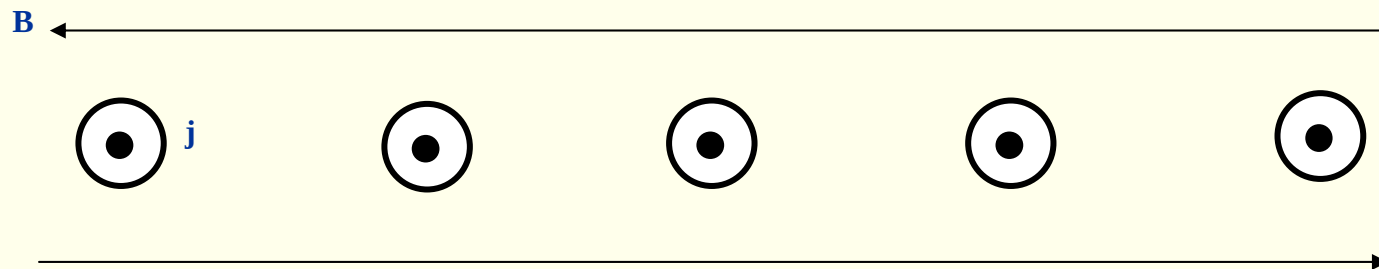
Approximate currents by thin current sheets with infinite size in the x- och z-directions.



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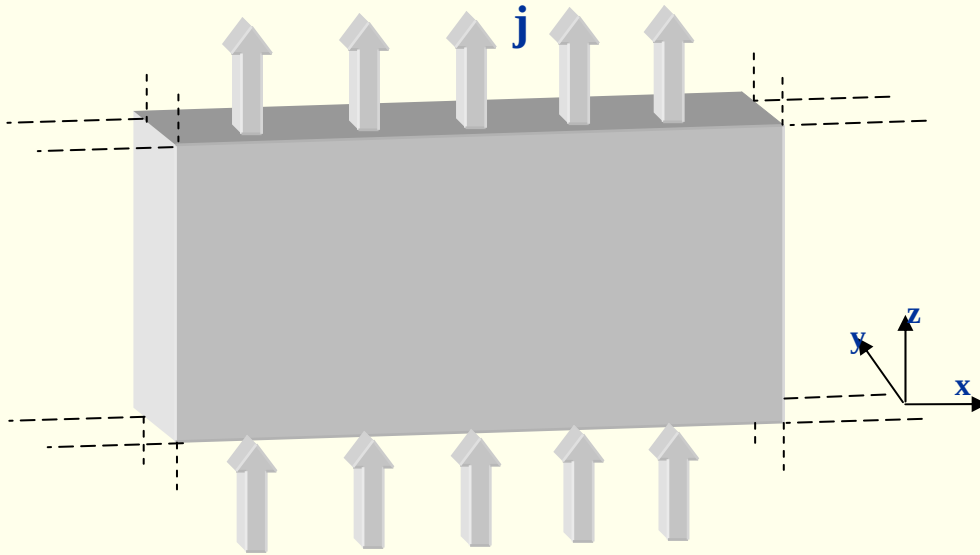


What will the magnetic field around such a current configuration be? Start by approximating with line currents to get a qualitative picture.



The closer you place the line currents, the more the magnetic fields between the line currents will cancel

Current sheet approximation and Ampère's law



$$\left(\frac{\partial B_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial B_y}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial B_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y} \right) = \mu_0 (j_x, j_y, j_z)$$

But $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = 0$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial z} = 0$

$$\left(\frac{\partial B_z}{\partial y}, 0, -\frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y} \right) = \mu_0 (0, 0, j_z)$$

eller

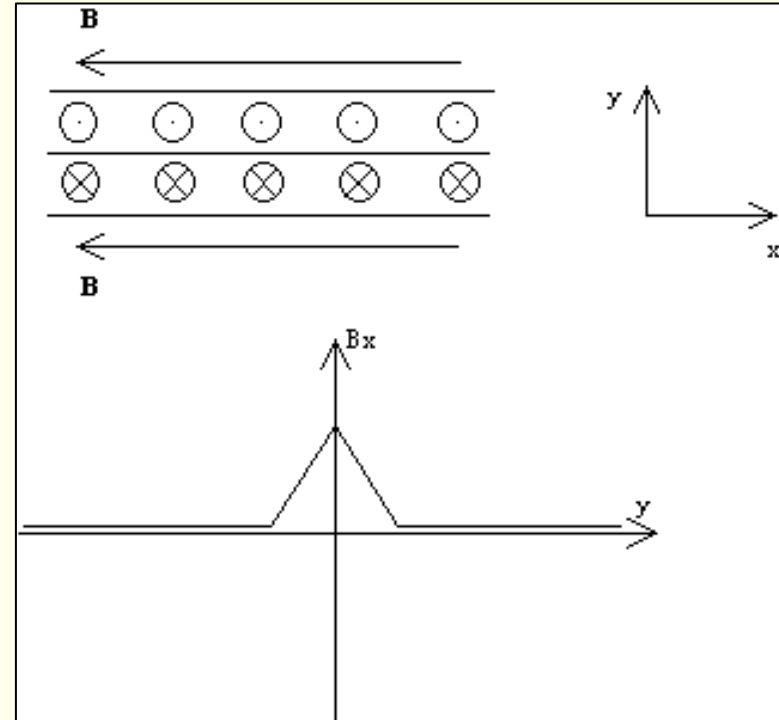
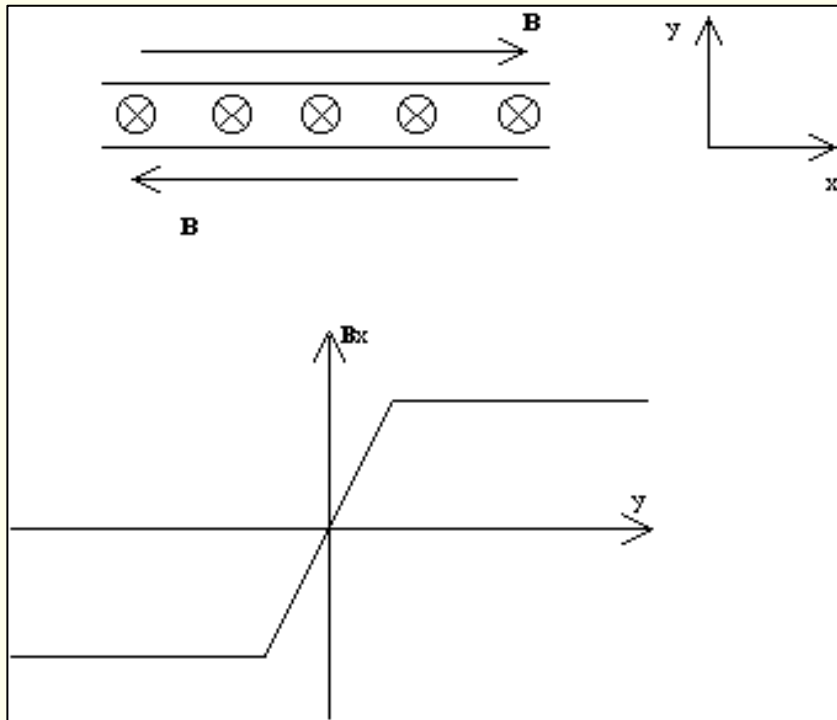
Ampère's law (no time dependence):

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{j}$$

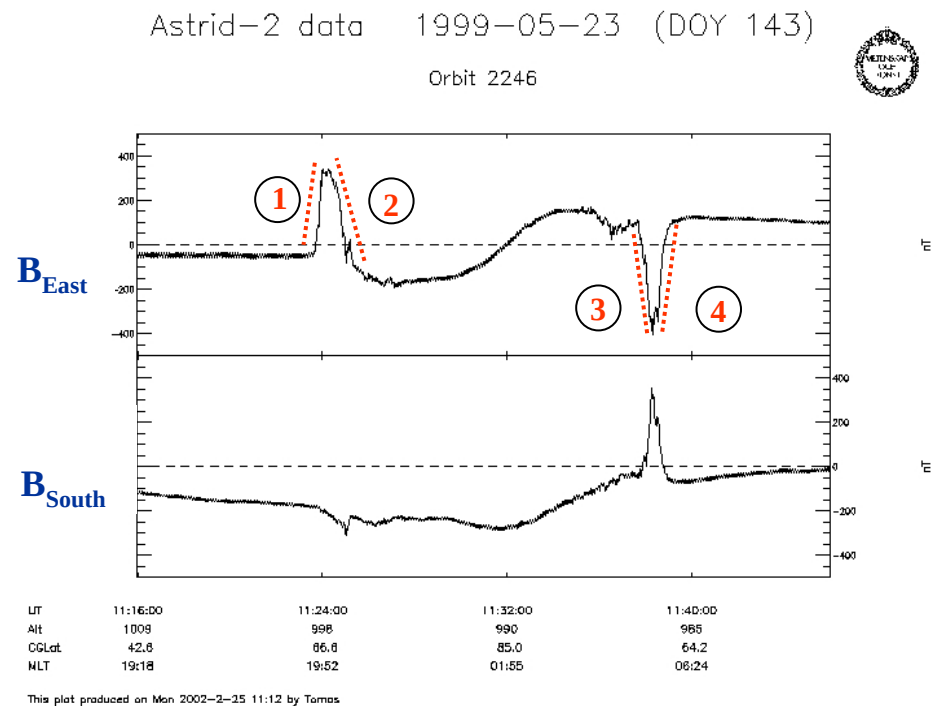
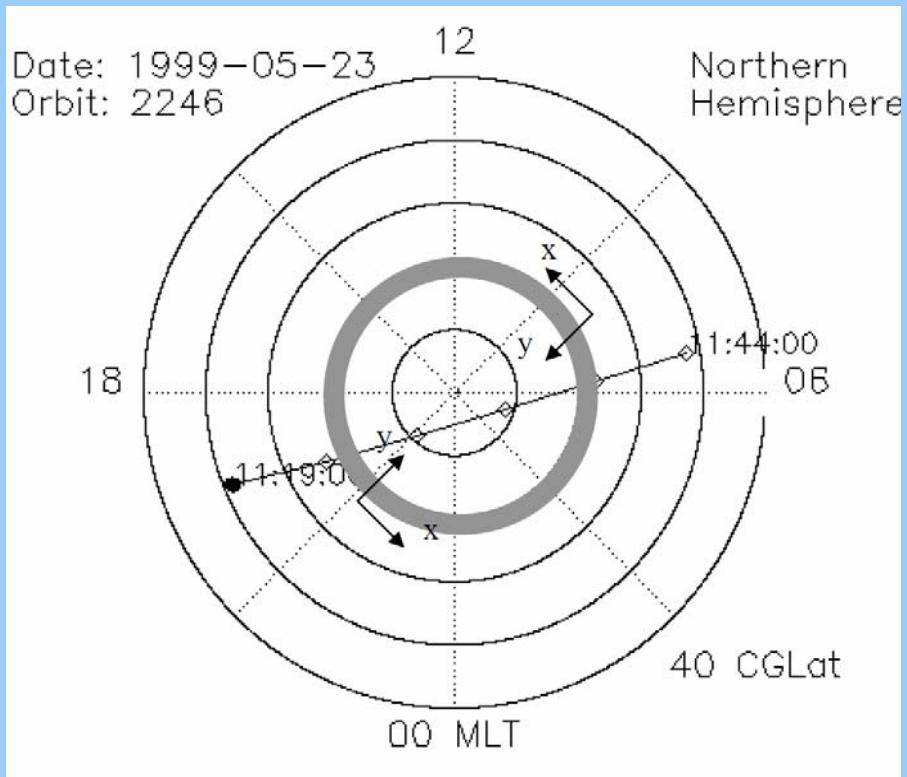


$$j_z = -\frac{1}{\mu_0} \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y}$$

Current sheet - example



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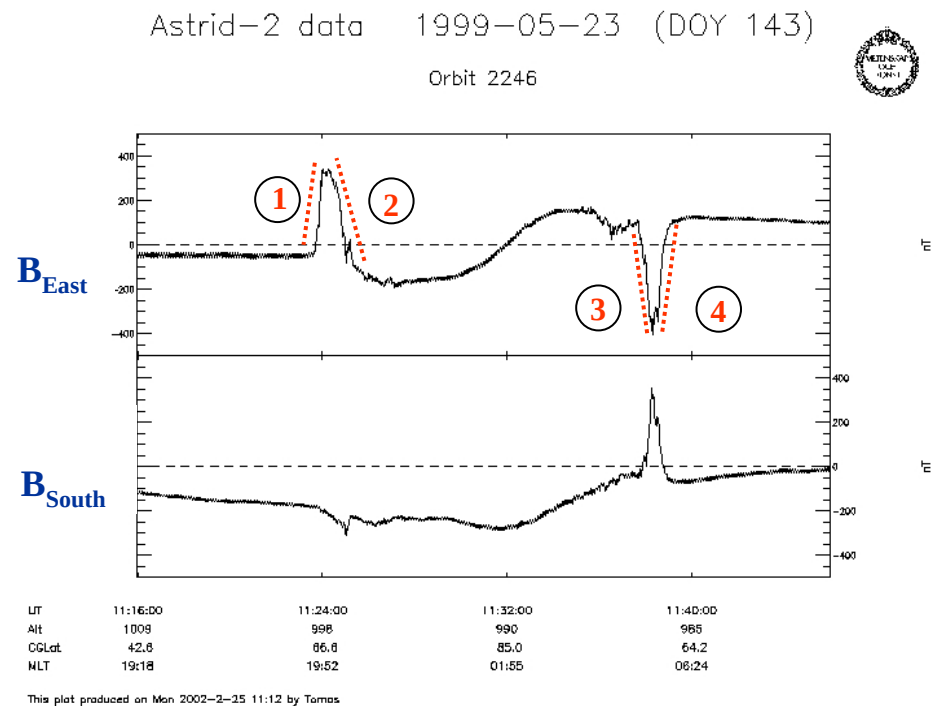
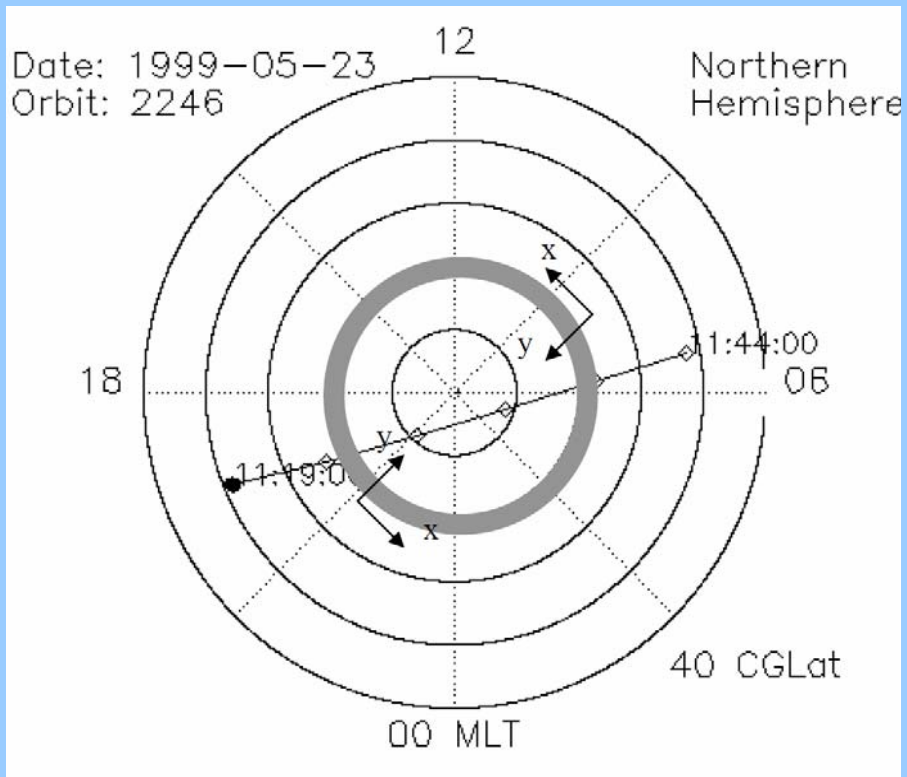
What is the direction of the current in current sheet 1?

Blue

Into the ionosphere

Red

Out of the ionosphere



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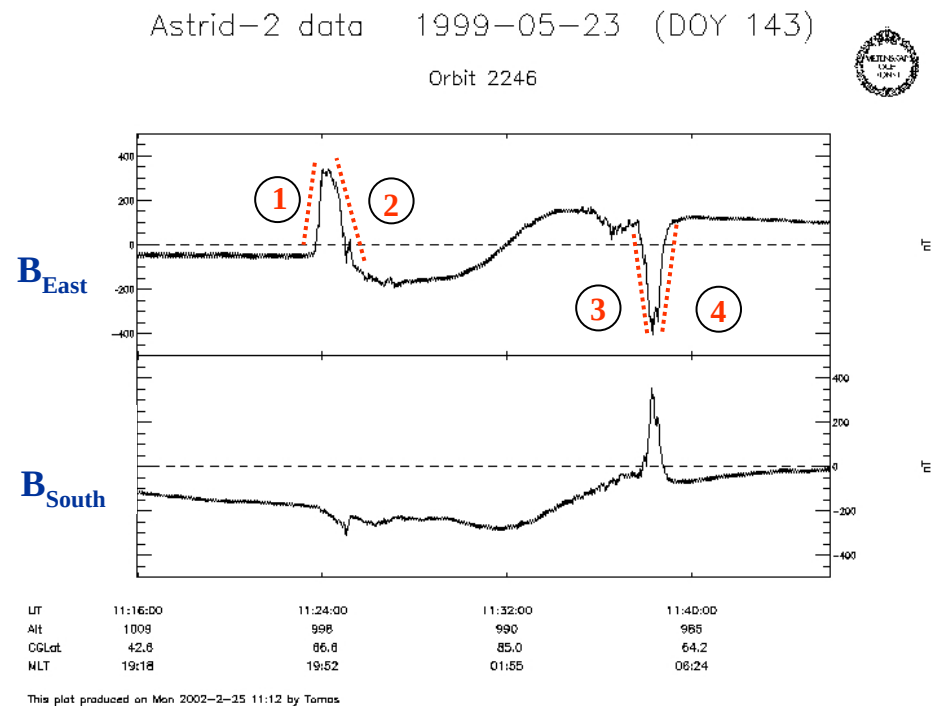
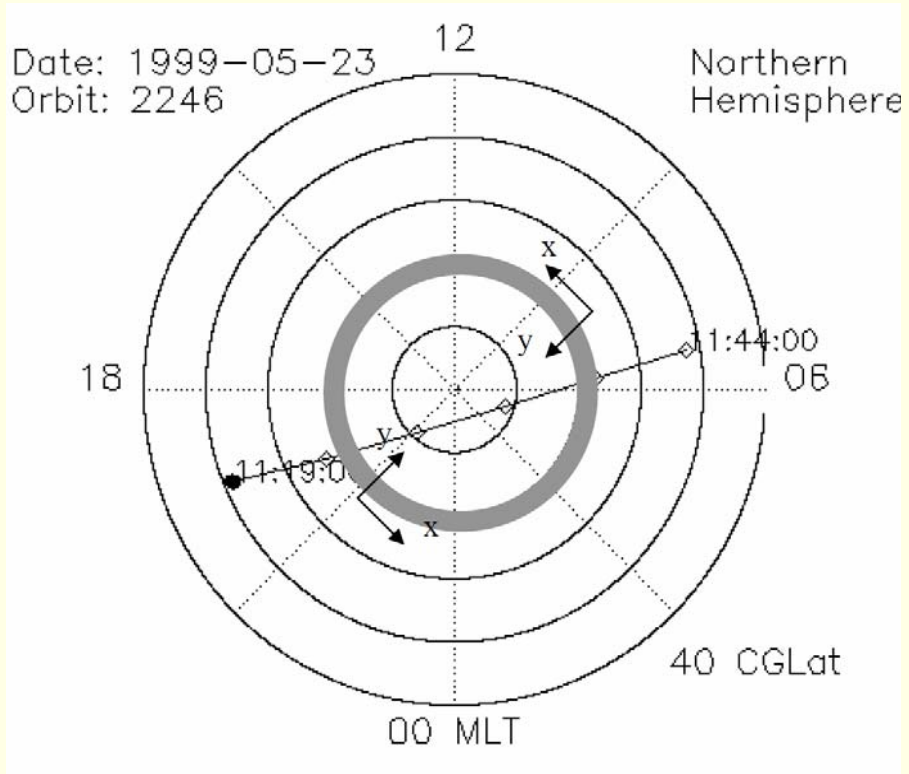
$$\frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial B_{East}}{\partial y} > 0$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$j_z < 0$$

Blue

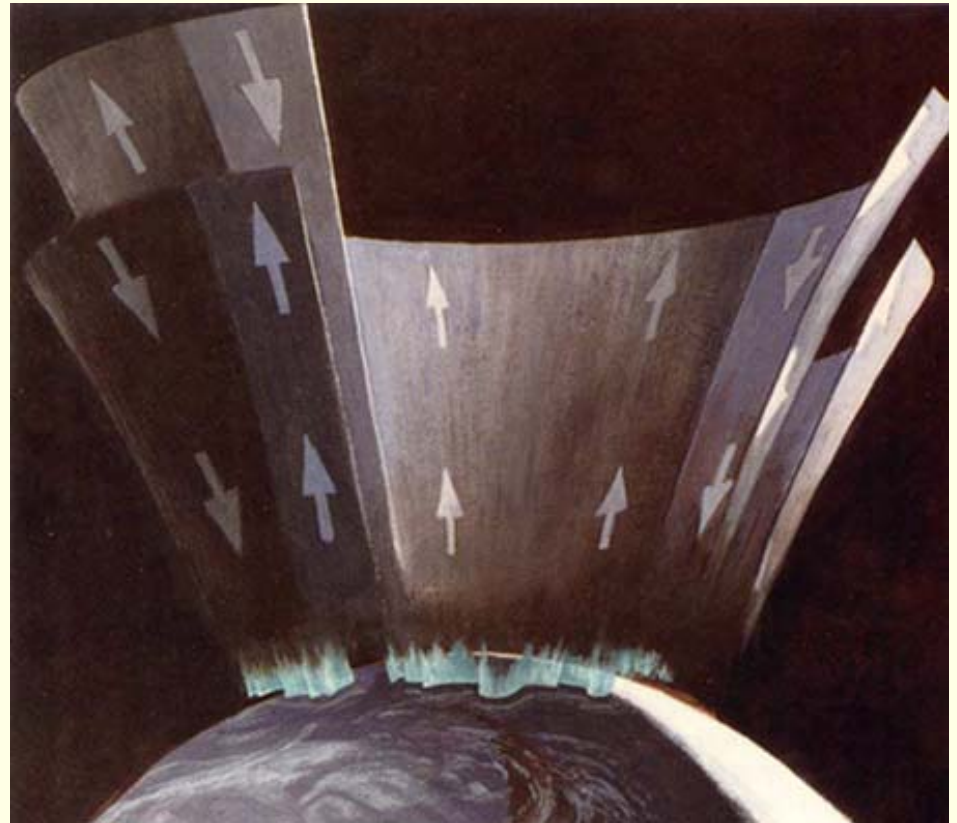
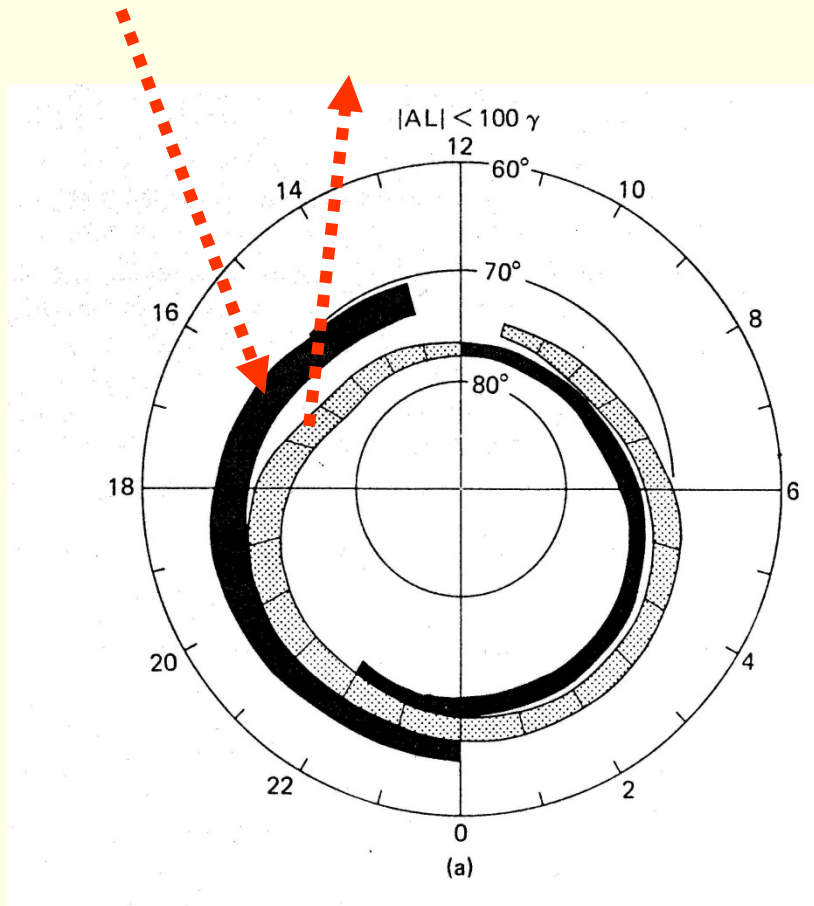
Into the ionosphere



$$j_z = -\frac{1}{\mu_0} \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y}$$

- 1) $\frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y} > 0 \Rightarrow j_z < 0$ Into the ionosphere
- 2) $\frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y} < 0 \Rightarrow j_z > 0$ Out of the ionosphere
- 3) $\frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y} > 0 \Rightarrow j_z < 0$ Into the ionosphere
- 4) $\frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y} < 0 \Rightarrow j_z > 0$ Out of the ionosphere

Birkeland currents in the auroral oval





At what planets do you expect aurora to exist?

Blue

Earth, Mercury,
Jupiter, Saturn

Yellow

Earth, Venus, Jupiter,
Saturn, Uranus,
Neptune

Green

Earth, Mars, Jupiter,
Saturn, Uranus,
Neptune

Red

Earth, Jupiter, Saturn,
Uranus, Neptune



What do we need to have an aurora?

- Magnetic field (to guide the plasma particles towards the planet)
- Atmosphere (to create emissions)

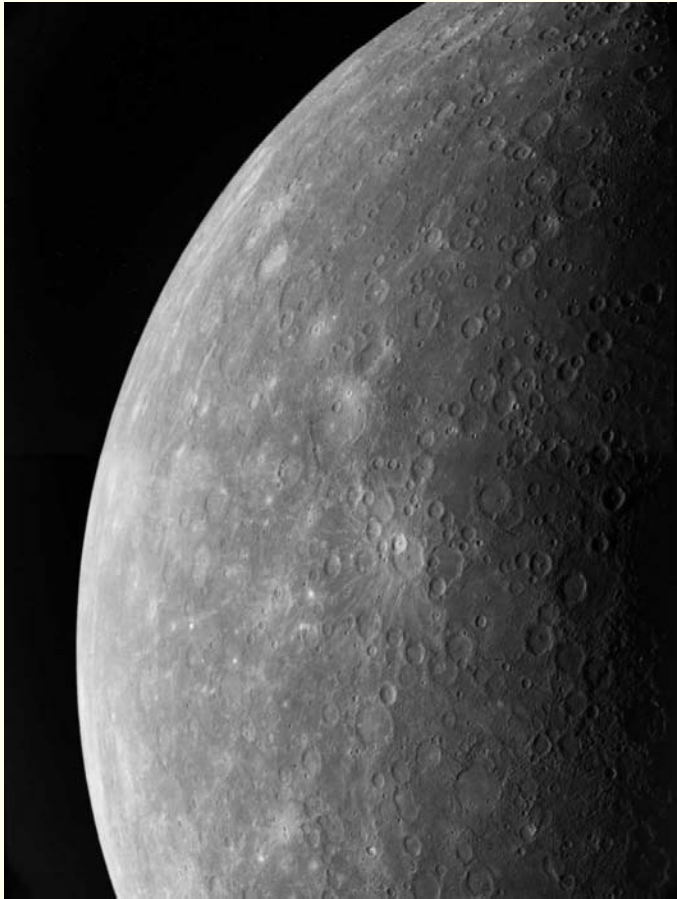


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Red

Earth, Jupiter, Saturn,
Uranus, Neptune

Mercury



- No atmosphere
- X-ray aurora???
Can possibly be created by electrons colliding directly with the planetary surface and lose their energy in one single collision.

Jupiter aurora

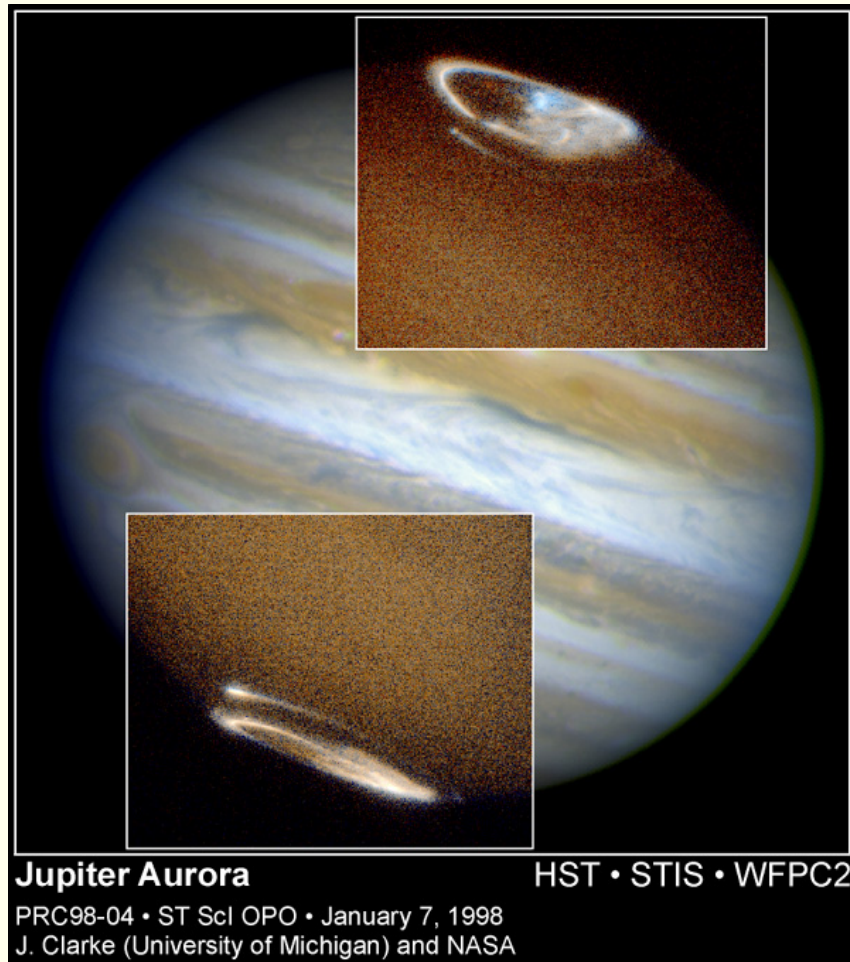
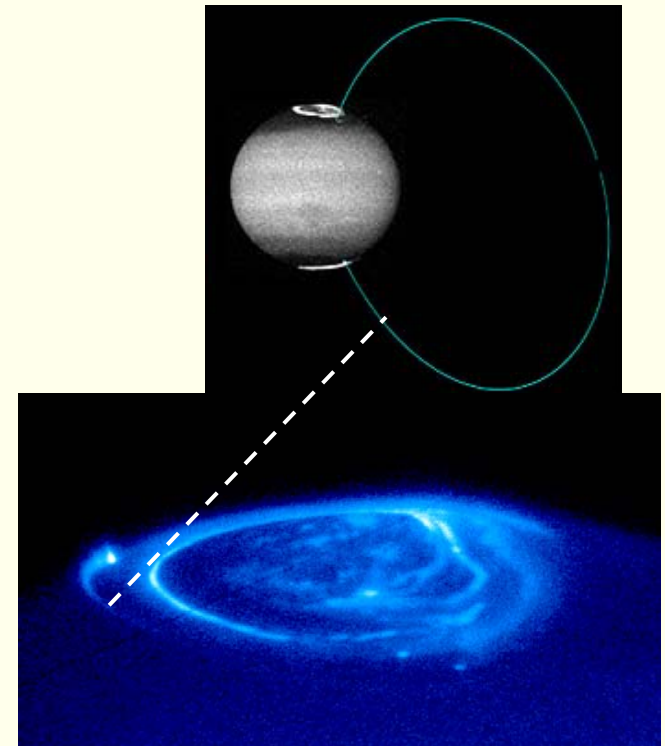


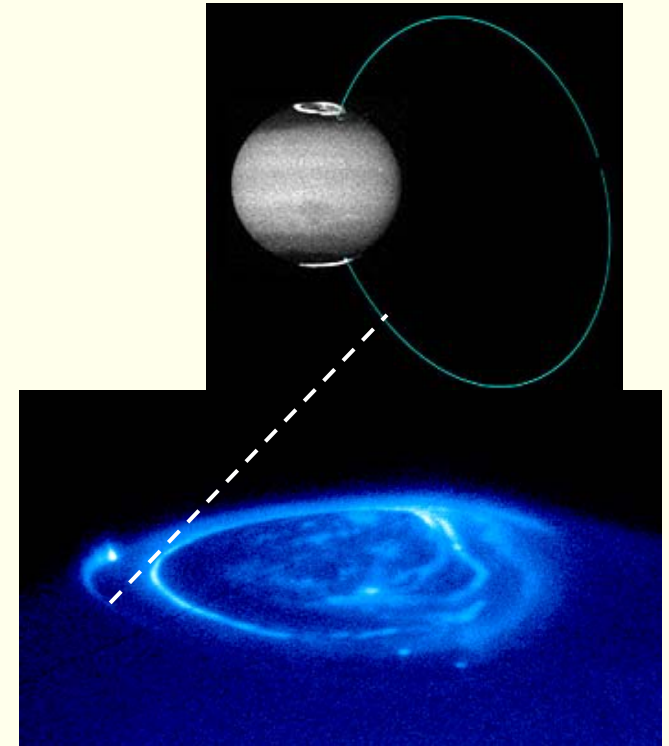
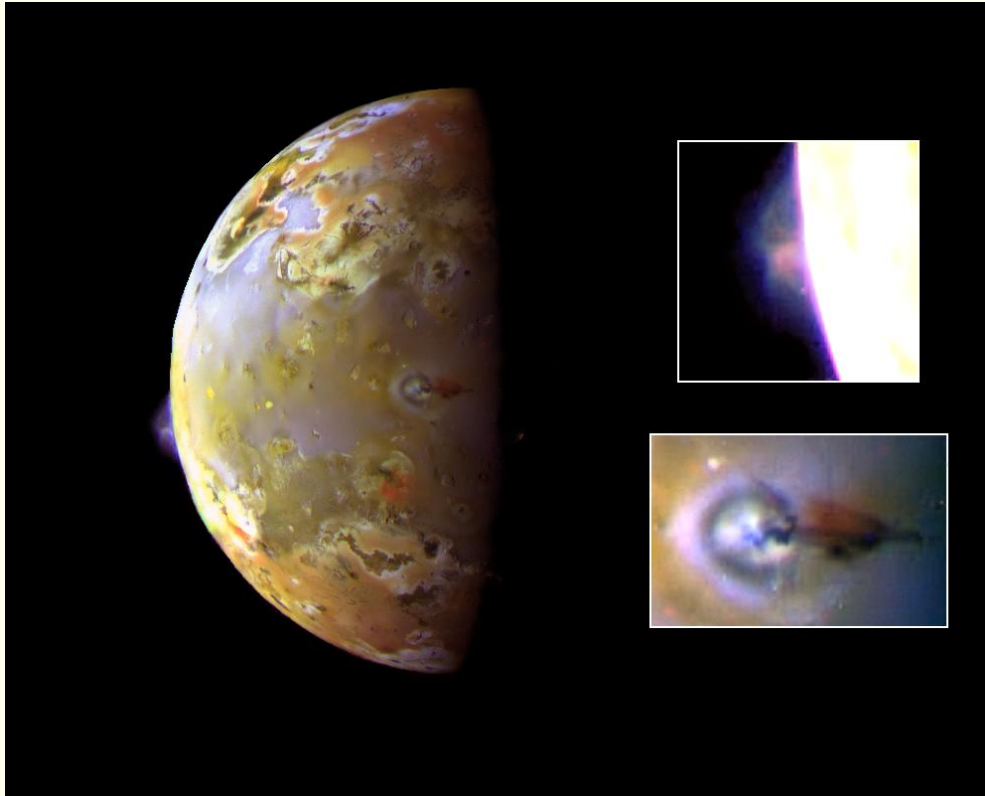
Foto från Hubble Space Telescope

- Jupiter's aurora has a power of ~ 1000 TW (*compare Earth: ~ 100 GW, nuclear power plant: ~ 1 GW*)
- Note the “extra” oval on Io's flux tube!



Jupiter and Io

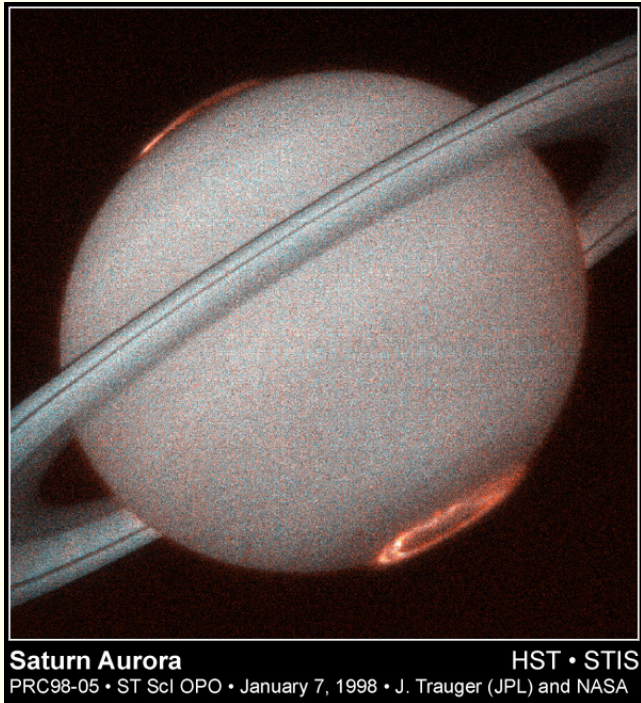
Photo from rymdsonden Galileo



The Jupiter moon Io is very volcanically active, and deposits large amounts of dust and gas in Jupiter's magnetosphere. This is ionized by the sunlight, and the charged plasma particles follow Jupiter's magnetic field lines towards the atmosphere and cause auroral emissions.

Aurora of the other planets

Saturn



*Uranus: Auora detected in UV.
Probably associated with Uranus' ring
current/radiation belts and not very
dynamic.*

Neptunus: weak UV aurora detected.

Mars, Venus: No aurora.

*Saturnus' aurora: not noticeably different
from Jupiter's, but much weaker. (Total
power about the same as Earth's aurora.)*

Prerequisites for...



Life

- Energy source (sun)
- Atmosphere
- Magnetic field
- Water



Aurora

- Energy source (sun)
- Atmosphere
- Magnetic field



On space weather and viewing aurora

Some space weather sites

<http://spaceweather.com/>

<http://www.esa-spaceweather.net/>

<http://sunearthday.nasa.gov/swac/>

<http://www.noaawatch.gov/themes/space.php>

http://www.windows2universe.org/spaceweather/more_details.html

Kiruna

Kiruna all-sky camera:

<http://www.irf.se/allsky/rtasc.php>

http://sunearthday.nasa.gov/swac/tutorials/aur_kiruna.php

Forecasts:

<http://flare.lund.irf.se/rwc/aurora/>

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Last Minute!



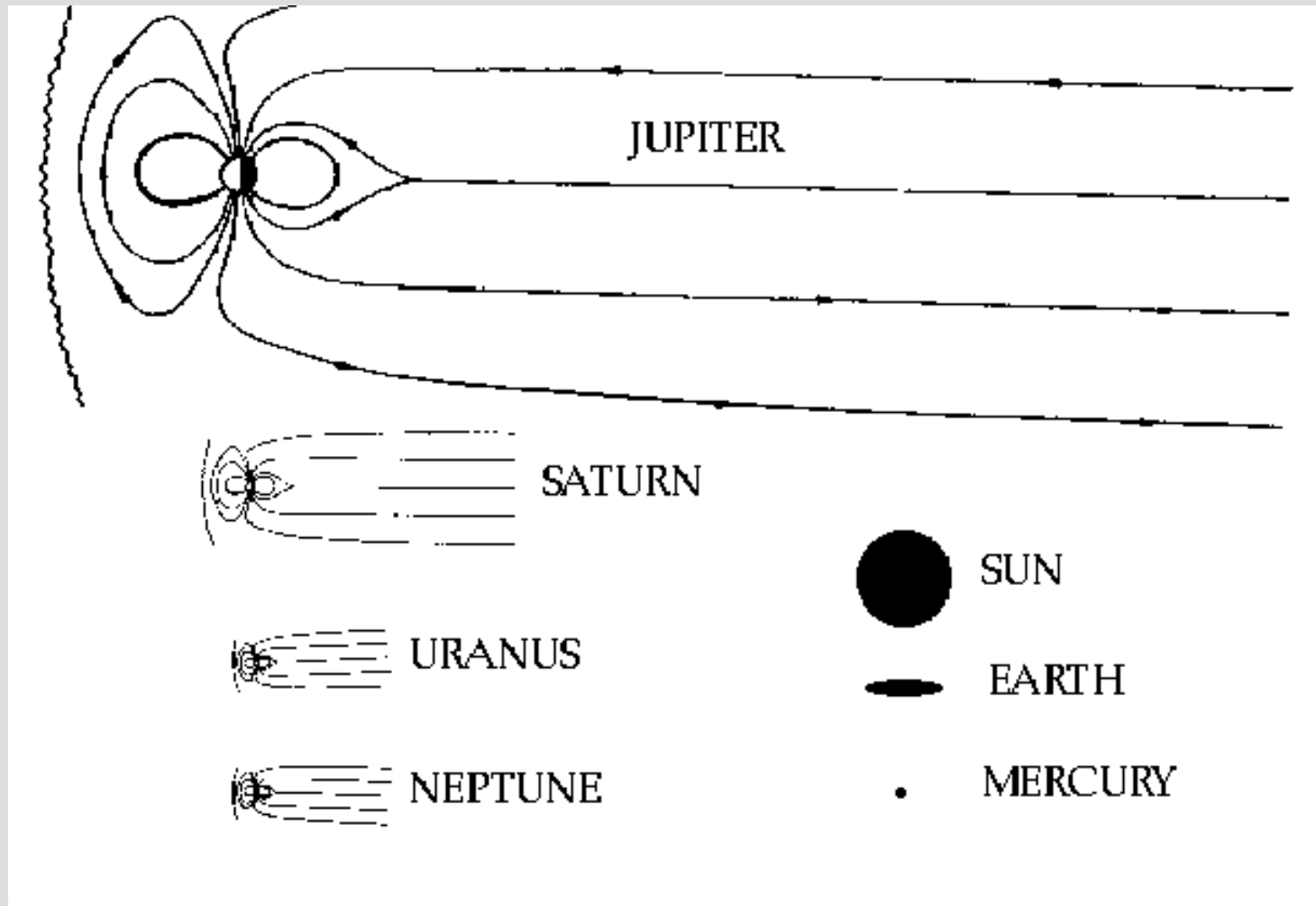
Last Minute!

- What was the most important thing of today's lecture? Why?
- What was the most unclear or difficult thing of today's lecture, and why?
- Other comments

Very weak magnetic fields

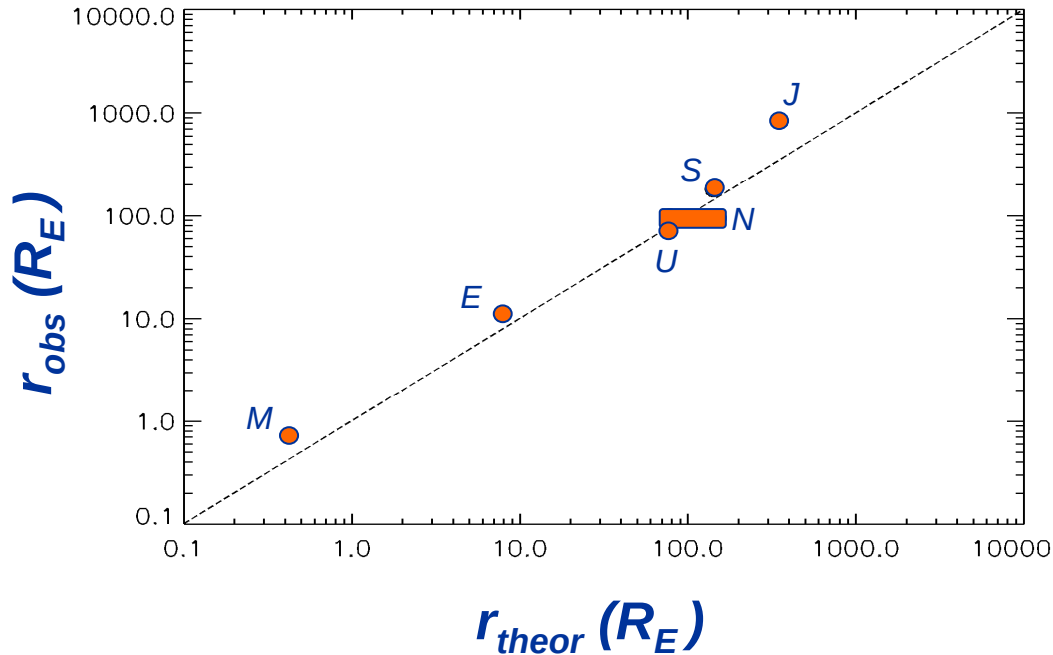
****)** Based on single passage

Relative size of the magnetospheres



Comparative magnetospheres

Observed vs. theoretical standoff-distance



$$r_{theor} = \left(\frac{\mu_0 a}{4\pi} \right)^{1/3} \left(2\mu_0 \rho_{SW} v_{SW}^2 \right)^{-1/6}$$

- Model reasonably valid over three orders of magnitude
- Size of Jupiter's (and maybe Saturn's) magnetosphere underestimated

