Dust and low temperature plasma of Saturn

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Outline

- Plasma source of Saturn's magnetosphere
- Moon Enceladus and its plume observations
- Cold and dusty plasma observation by RPWS/LP
- Dusty plasma effect in the magnetosphere (suggestion)

Plasma in Saturn's magnetosphere



Saturn's Dust and low tempetarure plasma

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Enceladus plume detected by MAG



- Bx shows the expected Alfvén wing of the southern plume.
- By are rather difficult to interpret.

Dougherty et al. (2006)



MOP 2011 Boston, Morooka et al. Saturn's Dust and low tempetarure plasma



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Langmuir probe theory

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LP sweep in the plume centre

- Electron current saturates due to very low Te.
- I_e saturation also indicates the dust-plasma potential is very small.
- Again, the ion current slope is due to the small V_i.





RPWS/LP observation shows:

 \checkmark Large Ne and Ni in the Enceladus plume.

 \rightarrow Enceladus creates dense plasma.

✓ $N_e/N_i \ll 0.5$ (≤ 0.01 in the plume). → Electron attaches to dust.

✓ No N_i wake effect. → Surrounding plasma is not co-rotating.

Electrons are attached to nm- µm sized dust grains, and the charged dusts drag ions to slower speed.

 \checkmark V_i ~ V_{Kepler} < V_{co-rotation}.

 $a_d \ll d_g \ll \lambda_D$ Charged dust participate in collective dynamics

Enceladus outside plume plume (E ring) 300 cm⁻³ 80 cm⁻³ N_e $30,000 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-3}$ 100 cm^{-3} N **T**_e $2 \,\mathrm{eV}$ $2 \,\mathrm{eV}$ $U_{SC} (\approx U_d)$ -3 V -2 V 95 cm⁻³ Nd 0.25 cm^{-3} 0.13 cm 0.98 cm d 6.04 cm 78 cm λ_d using dust distribution of Yaroshenko (2009)

Havnes number

$$P = \frac{T_p}{N_p} a N_d = \frac{T_p}{N_p} \int a W(a) da$$

Using Havnes number, the balance condition for the electric current into the dust grains can be expressed as [Barkan et al., 1994]:

$$d = I_i + I_e - \mathbf{v}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{m_i}{m_e}} \left(1 + \frac{4\pi\varepsilon}{e} P \frac{eU}{kT} \right) \exp\left(\frac{eU}{kT}\right) + \frac{eU}{kT} - 1 = 0$$
relationship between
P and $\frac{eU}{kT}$

Using the relationship of the total charge density of dust

$$\rho_d = 4\pi\varepsilon \int aW(a)da = q(n_i - n_e)$$

$$P = \frac{T_p}{N_p}aN_d = \frac{T_p}{N_p}\frac{q(N_i - N_e)}{4\pi\varepsilon U}$$

Calculation does not depend on dust distribution.

P and

 $\frac{eU}{kT}$

Havnes Parameter for our measurements









- DOY 048: Pass over north hemisphere, 4 Re away
- See strong –Bx perturbation in northern hemisphere
- Difficult to place this pass in context with more localized S source

also suggesting the dust pick up process near Enceladus from Farrell et al MAPS 2011 talk

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- Hybrid simulation study

Simon et al. (2011), Kreigel et al. (2011),

Enceladus-magnetosphere interaction considering dusty plume can explain mysterious By component.

• Nano meter sized dust density estimation by CAPS

Hill et al. (talk yesterday),

Negative grains density $\approx 10^3$ [cm⁻³]



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Effect of the dusty plasma in the magnetosphere (suggestion)





Wahlund et al., (2009)

 $r_d \ll d \ll \lambda_{D_s}$ Charged dust participate in screening & collective dynamics of ensemble

Enceladus far plume

Contribution from secondary electrons will make ions colder & slower ! [see also Jacobsen et al., 2009]

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10

30

Cold &

slowly

-10



Ubias [V]

E-ring plasma



U_{bias} [V]

Ion transport along plume

• RPWS/LP derived ion speeds

- The spacecraft velocity vectors for each LP sweep sample position in the XZ plane
- Each circle represents the required end position of the ion velocity
- The rigid co-rotation velocity vectors
- $V_{z,min} > 5-10 \text{ km/s}$
 - Plasma is actively accelerated near Enceladus.



Plasma Speed from Interferometry

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Phase:
$$\varphi = \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{d} + n\pi$$

Phase Dispersion:
$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \omega} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega} [\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{d} + n\pi] \implies \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \mathbf{k}} = (\hat{k} \cdot \hat{d}) d \left[\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \omega}\right]^{-1}$$

Doppler:

$$\omega = \omega_0 + \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{v}_s \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{v}_s = \left(\mathbf{v}_{sc} - \mathbf{v}_{\text{plasma}}\right)$$
giving $\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \mathbf{k}} = \frac{\partial \omega_0}{\partial \mathbf{k}} + \left(\hat{k} \cdot \hat{v}_s\right) \mathbf{v}_s$
Equating:
 $\frac{\partial \omega_0}{\partial \mathbf{k}} + \left(\hat{k} \cdot \hat{v}_s\right) \mathbf{v}_s = \left(\hat{k} \cdot \hat{d}\right) d \left[\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \omega}\right]^{-1}$

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Equating:

Plasma inhor

$$v_s = \cos\theta_{sd} d\Delta f \left(\frac{2\pi}{\Delta\varphi [rad]}\right)$$

=1

f



Interferometer results

[Wahlund et al., PSS, 2009] 512 fft, 32 averages, 13 such Two $\delta n/n$ -signature slopes! 42-55 km/s (θ_{sd} = 0 assumed) Co-rot: 46-48 km/s, Scales ~100 m 12-14 km/s (θ_{sd} = 0 assumed) Keplerian: 11.5 km/s, Scales $\sim \lambda_D$

