Global Magnetospheric Dynamics of Jupiter and Saturn Revealed by ENA Imaging

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Saturn







POSTER: In Search for a Self-Consistent Hypothesis for Magnetospheric Periodicities: Effects of the Shielding E-field Produced by the Partial <u>Ring Current</u>

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Shielding effects on the terrestrial plasmasphere





Jupiter

ENA imaging





Jupiter

Energization





Jia et al., MAPS, [2011]

- Large-scale injections appear in the night side magnetosphere
- Energization most likely caused by the "dipolarizations" following plasmoid releases
- Heavy ions are more effectively energized than lighter



Jupiter

Energization: Earth comparison





Ions are efficiently energized during rapid magnetic field reconfigurations. Shown are model results of O⁺ *for terrestrial substorms. Similar mechanisms are probably at work also at Mercury and Saturn.*



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Transport





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Force Balance: 3D Current System



The main phase ring current system ("Region-2") is highly asymmetric and is driven by the pressure of the inner magnetosphere.



Jupiter

Periodicity: ENA and SKR

- "ENA injections " simultaneous with SKR [Mitchell et al., 2009]
- **ENA** injections simultaneous with in-situ observation of a plasmoid release [Hill et al., 2008]
- SKR most likely driven by (1) pressure-driven currents from energetic particles and/or (2) flowshear in the fast-flow region
- Lifting the veil:
 - Periodic plasmoid release the most likely driver of the magnetospheric periodicities
- **Dual periodicities in ENA data?**
 - Not clear yet...see Carbary's talk!





Jupiter

Periodicity: Magnetic field

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Neutral gas



Dialynas et al., in preparation, 2011.



Brandt et al., PSS, 2011.



Jupiter

Solar wind control



Brandt et al., AGU, 2006.



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ENA imaging



Hydrogen ENA Flux, #/(cm²-s-keV) normalized to 100 $R_{\rm J}$



Cassini/UVIS (S-band emissions)





Jupiter

ENA imaging: Simulations



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Jupiter

Energization



Transient, quasi-periodic injections are seen in in-situ data, but it is nearly impossible to discern their global spatial and temporal distribution and evolution. Data taken from Selesnick et al. [2001].



Jupiter

Energization



Intensities and spectral slopes of heavies increase more than for lighter ions every ~3 days. Is this the same non-adiabatic mechanism that is at work at Earth?

Krupp et al. [1998]



Jupiter

Solar wind control?



Galileo measurements strongly indicate that "storms" occur in Jupiter's magnetosphere. Particle signatures similar to response of solar wind pressure increase [Mauk et al., 1999].



Summary

Saturn

- Evidence for efficient energization of heavy ions....just like at Earth and Jupiter
- ENA and SKR intimately related. Link is probably (1) pressure-driven currents, and/or (2) flow-shear driven currents in the fast flow in the post midnight sector seen in Jia et al. model.
- Field periodicities caused by rotating partial ring current (hot and/or cold)
- Solar wind control apparent (Pressure or speed)

Jupiter

- Strongest ENA intensities from Torus region
- ENA imaging potentially resolve large-scale injections. Are they quasi-periodic? How do they relate to radio emissions?
- Evidence for efficient energization of heavy ions....just like at Earth and Saturn
- Solar wind control not known, but could be addressed by ENA imaging



Extra Slides



Neutral Gas

Europa/Io Torus Region

- ENA intensities strongest from Europa torus
 - Spatial distribution of neutral gas in Europa torus and its long-term evolution (~months)
 - Short-term variations (hours) include 5.5 h disc wobble and energetic particle injections
- Synergy with EUV observations
 - EUV: lo torus (O, S bands), but Europa torus is very, very weak (H2)
 - ENA: Europa torus, but not lo torus (lack of energetic ions)













Force Balance



centrifugal



The Pressure-Driven Current System

Equatorial current system



3D current system





ENA Simulations

Inclination 6 deg





Summary

Orbit

- Equatorial orbits resolve radial and vertical structures well such as thickness and structure of magnetodisc and torus, but very limited azimuthal resolution
- >20 deg inclination achieves drastically better azimuthal resolution but maintains also vertical resolution and avoid most of the harsh radiation
- Higher inclination \rightarrow better for simultaneous radio observations?

Europa torus

- Morphology and long-term variations of neutral gas in torus region
- Simultaneous EUV observations of O, S plasma torus nice complement
- Short-term variations and distribution of energetic particles (H+, O+, S+)
- Characterizes Europa's ion sputtering environment remotely [Leblanc et al., 2005] + remote backscatter

Giant accelerator

- Location and evolution of energetic particle injections (H+, O+, S+) in 3-300 keV range
- Acceleration mechanisms determined through spectral evolution of different masses

Magnetodisc

Thickness, shape and modulations

Relation to radio emissions

 Correlate global configuration and evolution of magnetodisc and energetic particles, and moons with radio emissions



The In-Situ View

Knowing the details, but not seeing the global picture



In-situ particle measurements have long been our only tool for probing magnetospheric dynamics. Although it provides detailed information of particle distributions, it is at best difficult to retrieve the global dynamical behavior of the particle distributions. Typical proton spectrogram in the 3-300 keV range taken from a pass through the equatorial region of Saturn's magnetosphere.



Seeing the Invisible



ENA imaging enables us to "see" the global dynamics of energetic ions. This movie was obtained by Cassini/INCA in orbit around Saturn and is only one of many, many compelling dynamical events that have been revealed. Can this success be repeated for Jupiter?



What is ENA imaging?

ENA simulation

- Measured profiles of ion intensities [Mauk et al., 2004]
- Neutral Europa and lo torus model of Smyth et al., [2006]
- Extended neutral H gas from Cheng et al. [1998]
- Compute LOS integral
- Convolve with camera response function



~10-300 keV/nucleon

Energy range

ENA Imaging at Saturn

- Discovery of periodic, global injections and acceleration [Paranicas et al., GRL, 2005; Mitchell et al., GRL, 2005, PSS, 2009; Carbary et al., JGR, 2008]
- Global transport and dispersion [Brandt et al., GRL, 2008]
- Periodic field perturbations from a rotating partial ring current [Khurana et al., JGR, 2008; Provan et al., 2009; Brandt et al., GRL, 2010]
- Interaction with Titan [Mitchell et al., Science, 2005]
- Solar wind control [Brandt et al., AGU, 2006]





Science Target 1 – Global Magnetospheric Dynamics

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ENA intensities are dominated by emissions from the torus region. INCA has no problems resolving those at a resolution <1h. Transient injections in the outer (~20RJ) region are weaker due to the lower neutral gas densities (~0.1 cm⁻³ assumed here) and will probably require several hours of time integration depending on neutral gas density and geometry factor.



Jupiter Hectometric Auroral Radiation (HOM)



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