

# From the Chapman-Ferraro Magnetosphere To the Dungey-Alfvén Magnetosphere

- **Two Magnetosphere Types**
  - Chapman-Ferraro
  - Dungey-Alfvén
- **Chapman-Ferraro Type**
  - Hands-off, no-touch vacuum coupling
- **Dungey-Alfvén Type**
  - Hands-on, bow shock-to-ionosphere Alfvén coupling
- **Hybrid Type**
  - Chapman-Ferraro type usually dominates

Chapman-Ferraro  
Magnetosphere

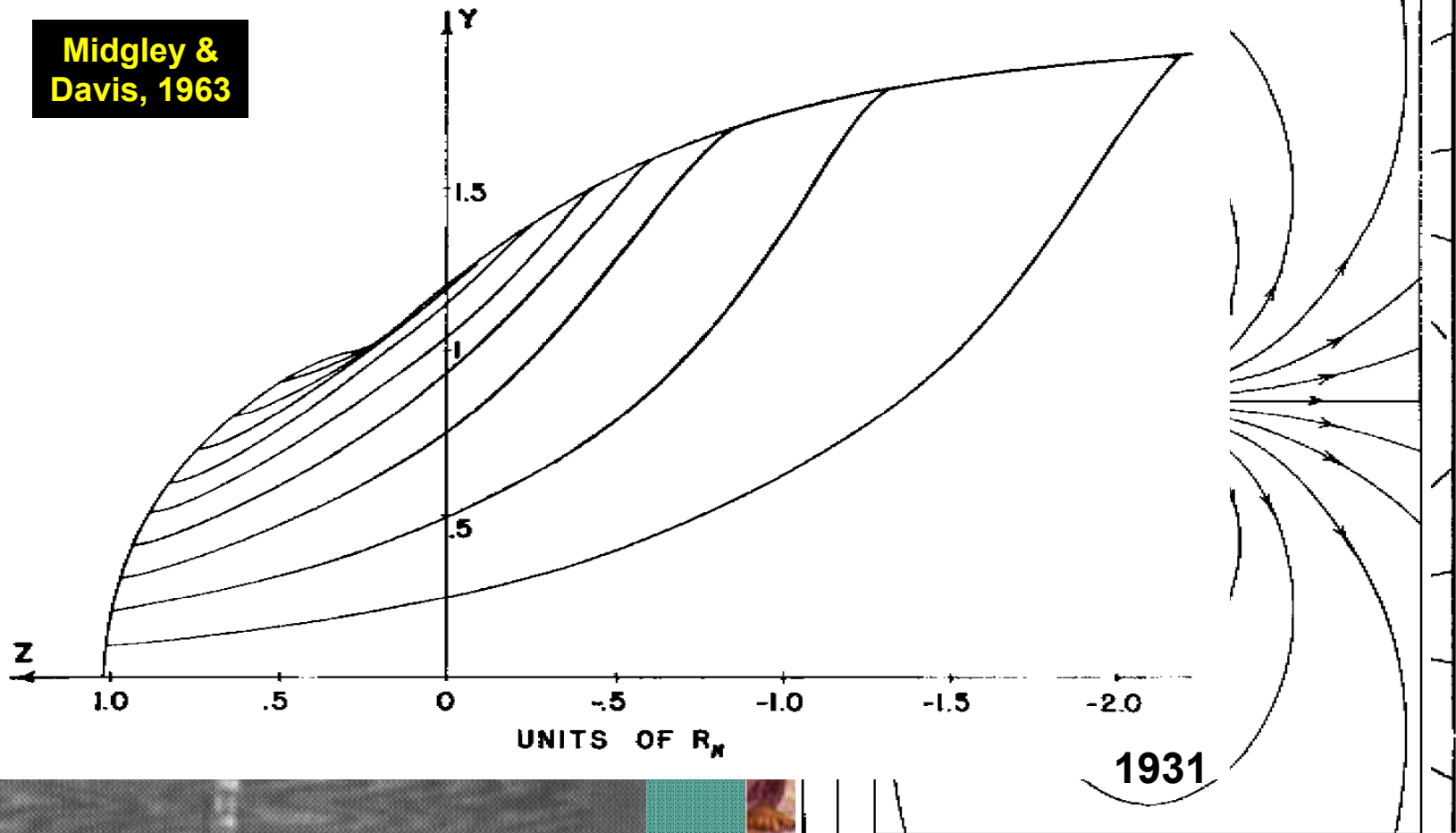
Dungey-Alfvén  
Magnetosphere

# Highlights in the History of Magnetospheric Concepts (1)

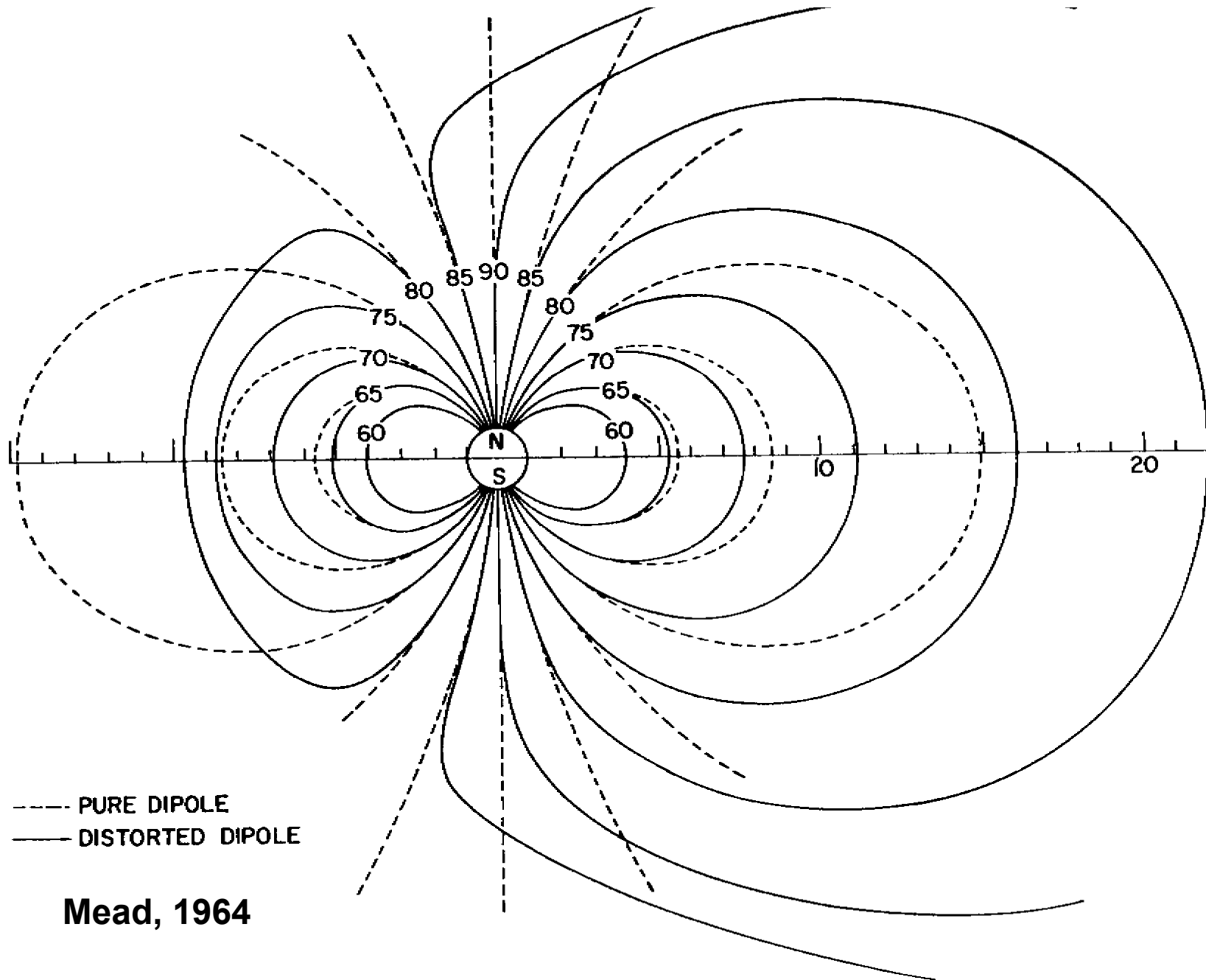
Sydney Chapman

Χαπμαν-Φερραρο

Midgley & Davis, 1963



**Purpose: To calculate particle drifts in distorted magnetic field.**



**Mead, 1964**

# Properties of the Chapman-Ferraro Magnetosphere

3.5 MA

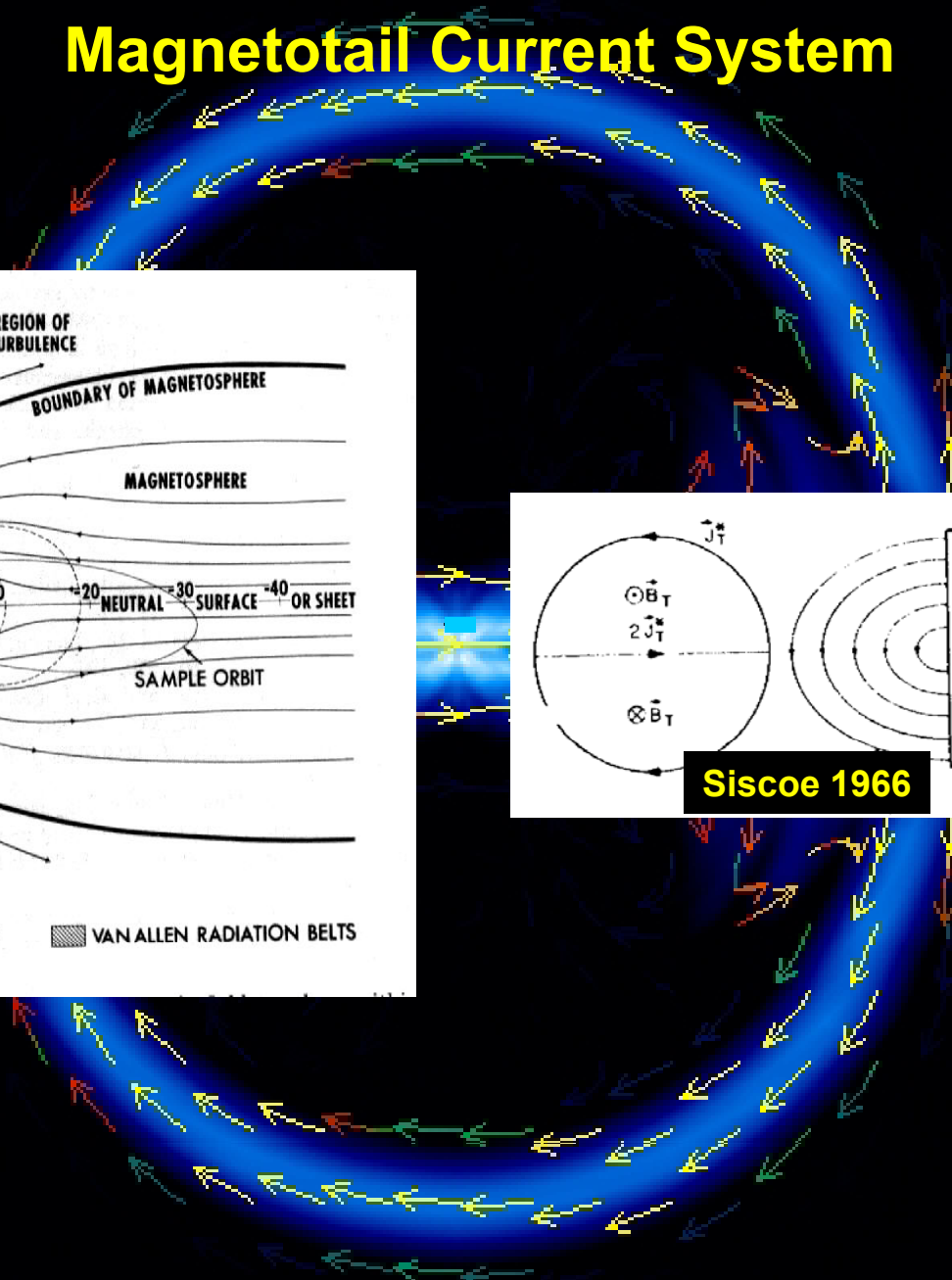
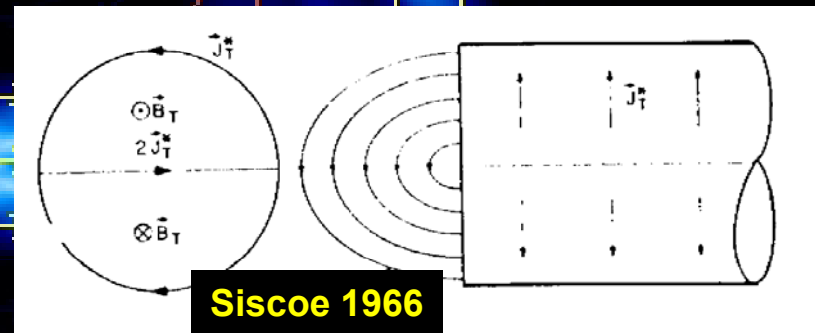
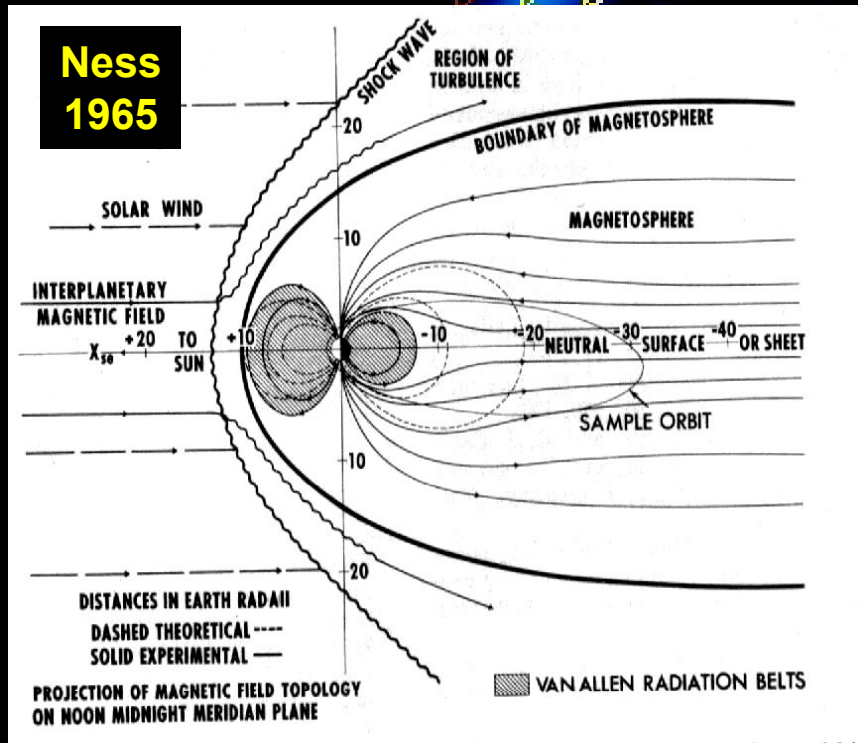
C-F compression  
 $\approx 230\%$  dipole field

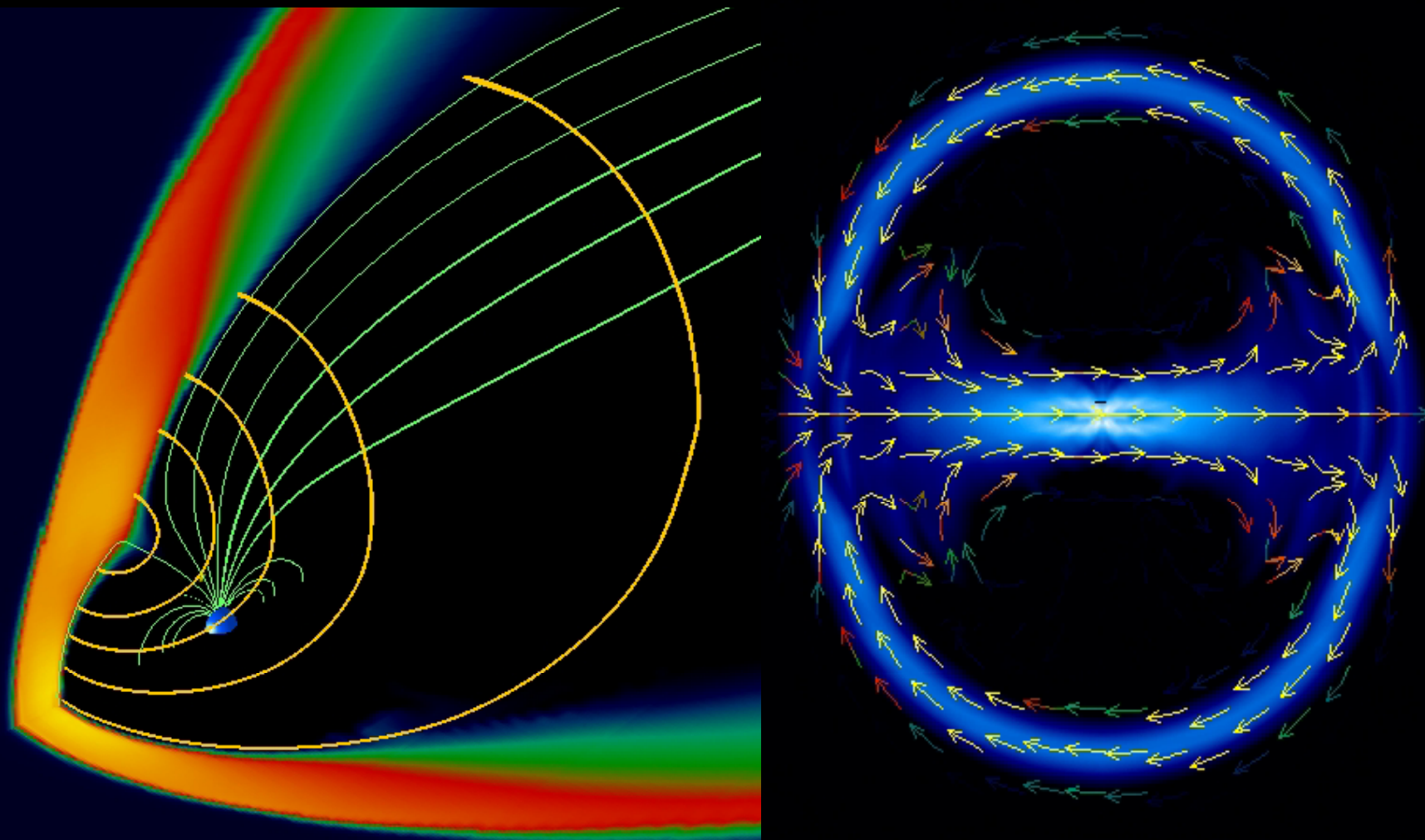
$2 \times 10^7$  N



The diagram illustrates the Chapman-Ferraro magnetosphere. It features a central region with magnetic field lines (green) that are compressed on the left side. A current sheet (yellow/orange) is shown on the left, with a current of 3.5 MA. A central force vector is labeled  $2 \times 10^7$  N. The magnetosphere is compressed to approximately 230% of the dipole field. The background is a color gradient from blue to red, representing the solar wind pressure.

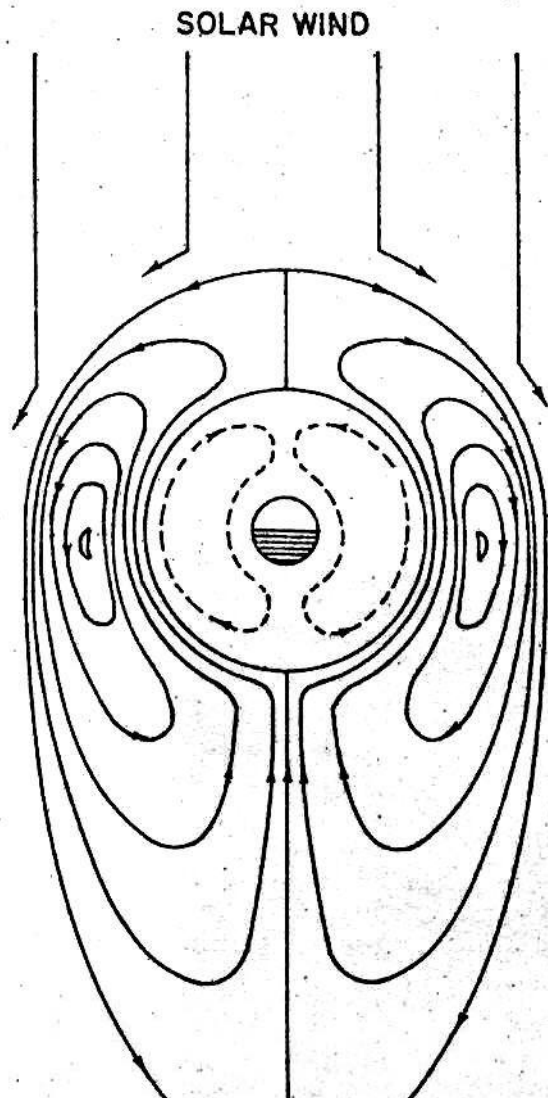
# New Element Magnetotail Current System



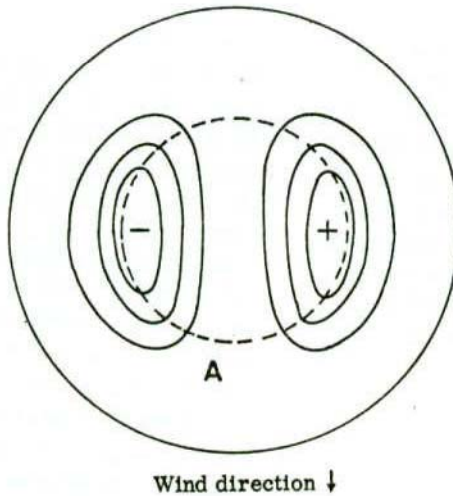


**Components of the CF magnetosphere in the 1960s  
Total field confinement and vacuum magnetic interactions**

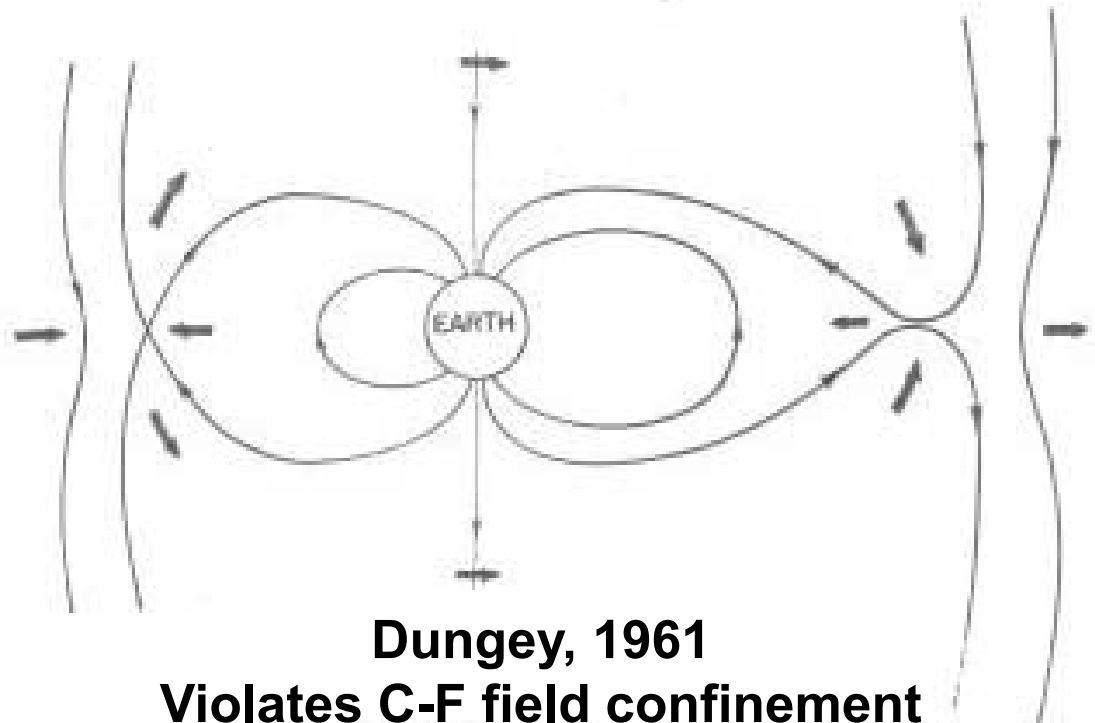
# Things that did not fit the C-F picture



Axford and Hines, 1961

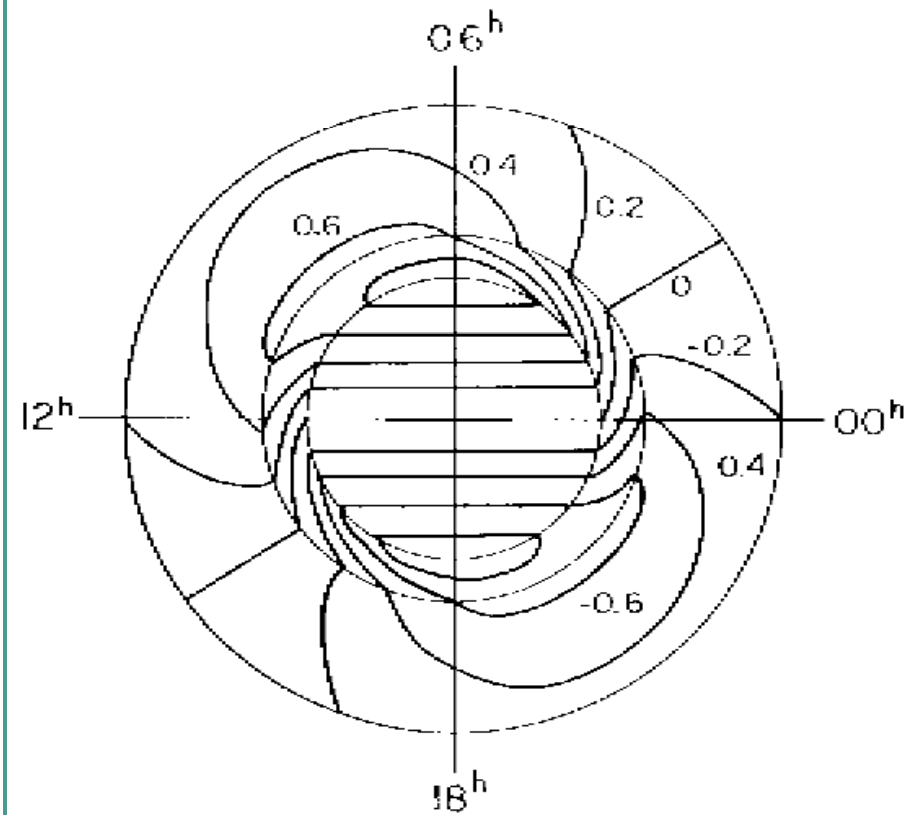
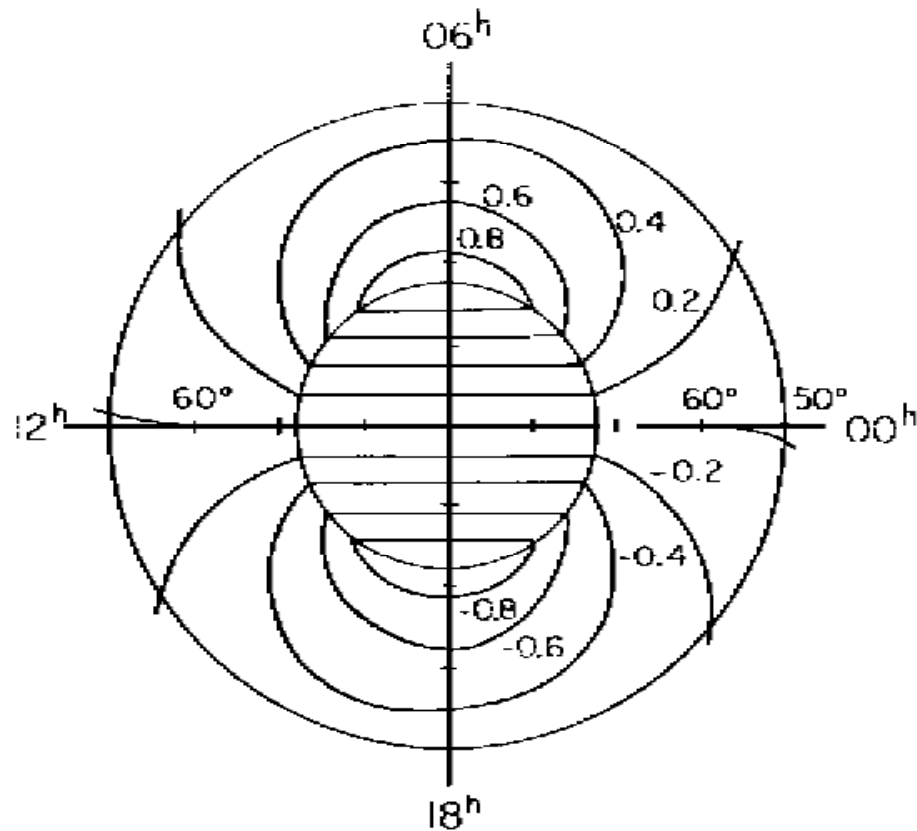


Two cell, sun-fixed  
ionospheric circulation  
pattern



Dungey, 1961  
Violates C-F field confinement

# Vasyliunas MI Coupling Results 1970-1972



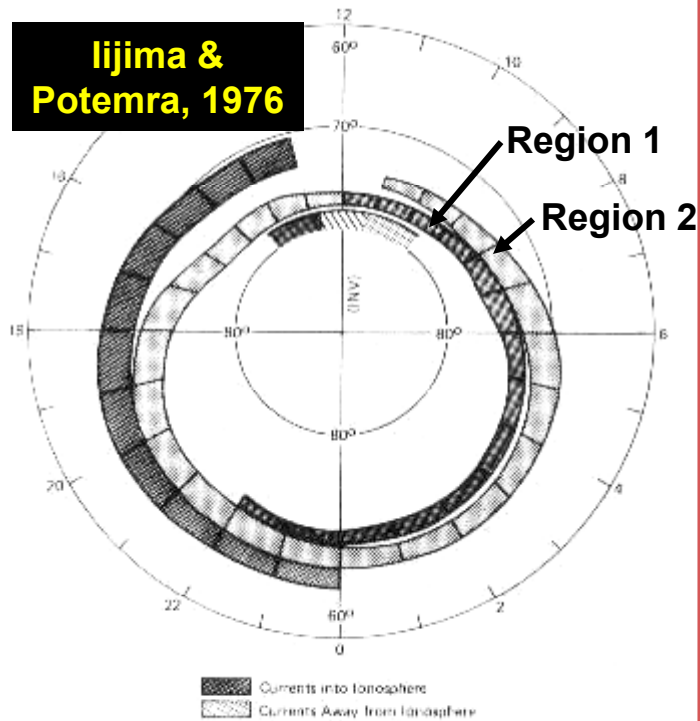
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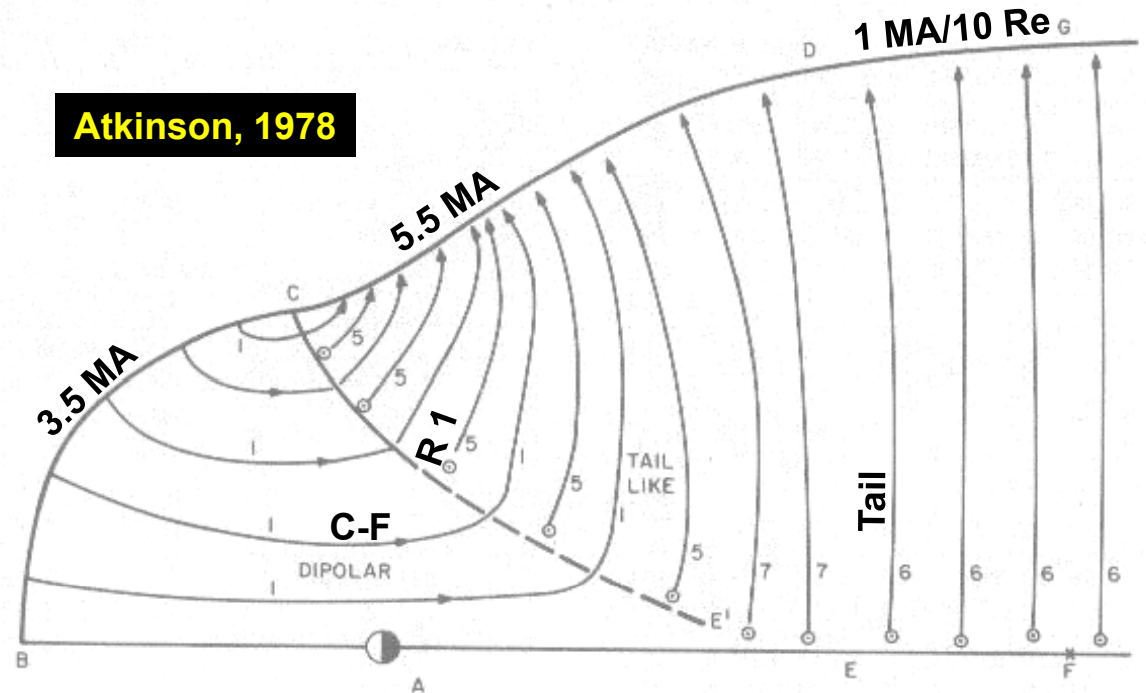
# Ultimate Crisis to the CF Picture

## Discovery of **Strong** Field-Aligned Currents

Iijima & Potemra, 1976



Atkinson, 1978

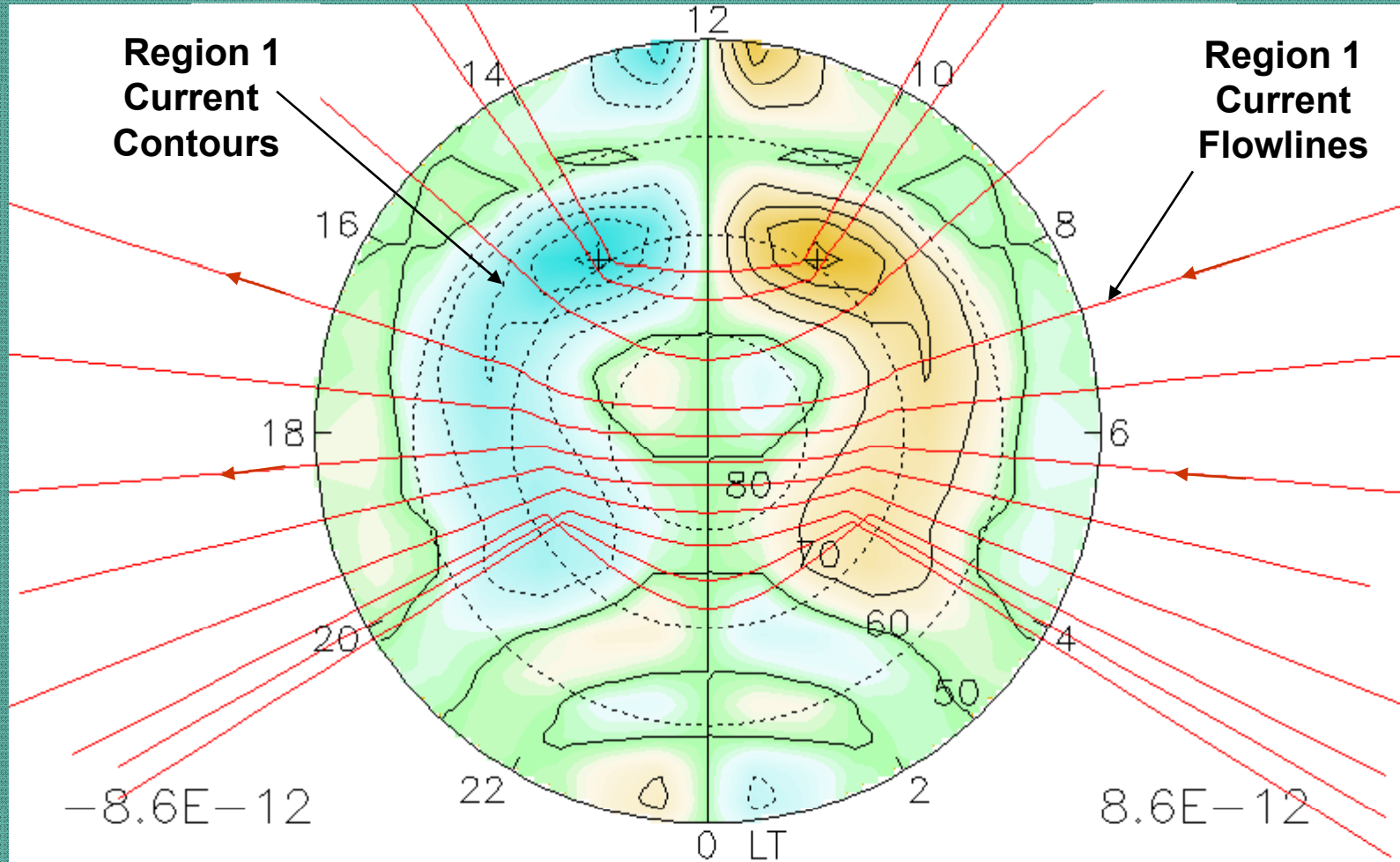


**Total Field-Aligned Currents  
for Moderate Activity  
(IEF ~1 mV/m)**

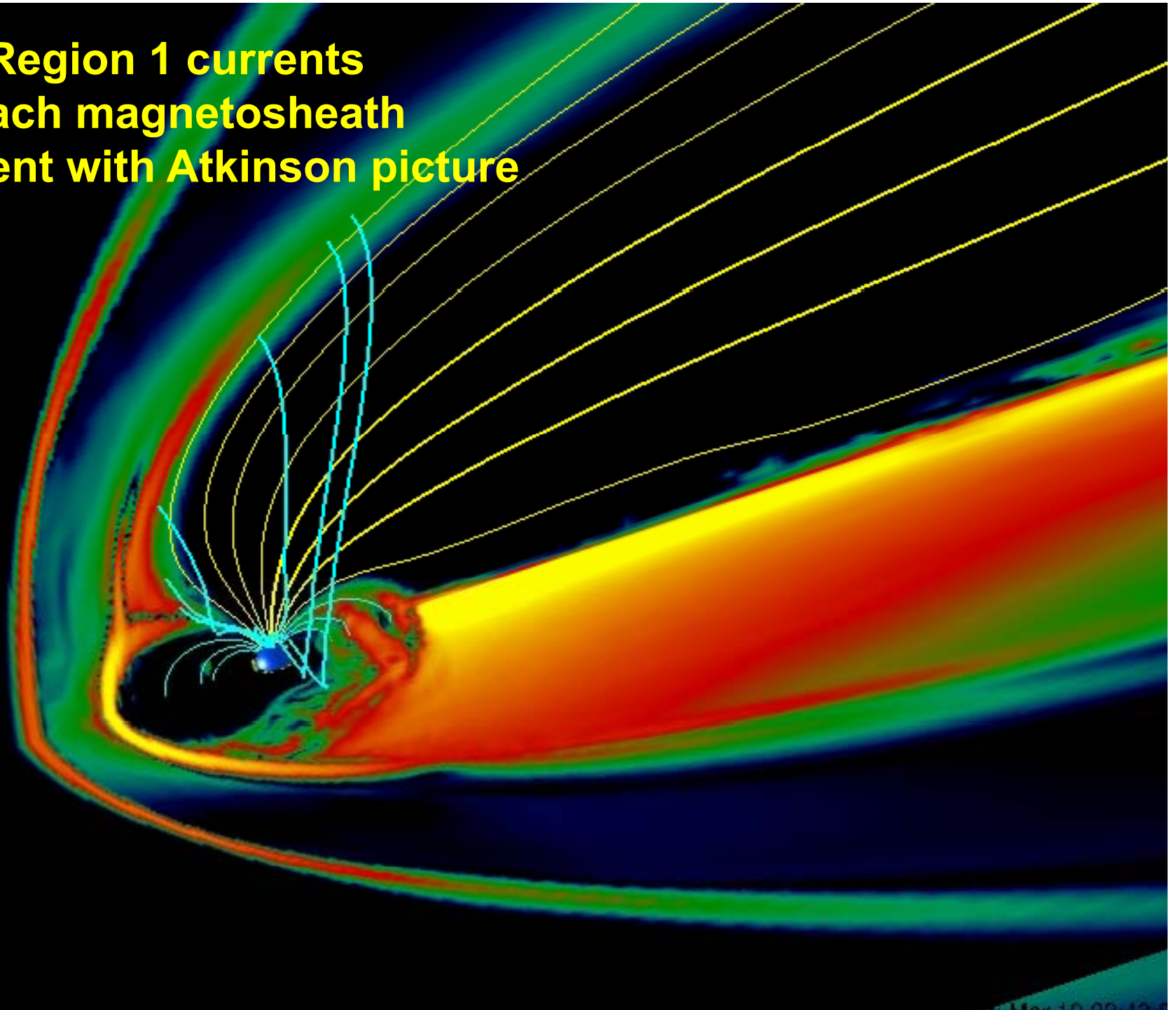
**Region 1 : 2 MA**  
**Region 2 : 1.5 MA**

**Question: How do you self-consistently  
accommodate the extra 2 MA?**

# Appeal to MHD Simulations Region 1 Currents IMF = 5 nT South

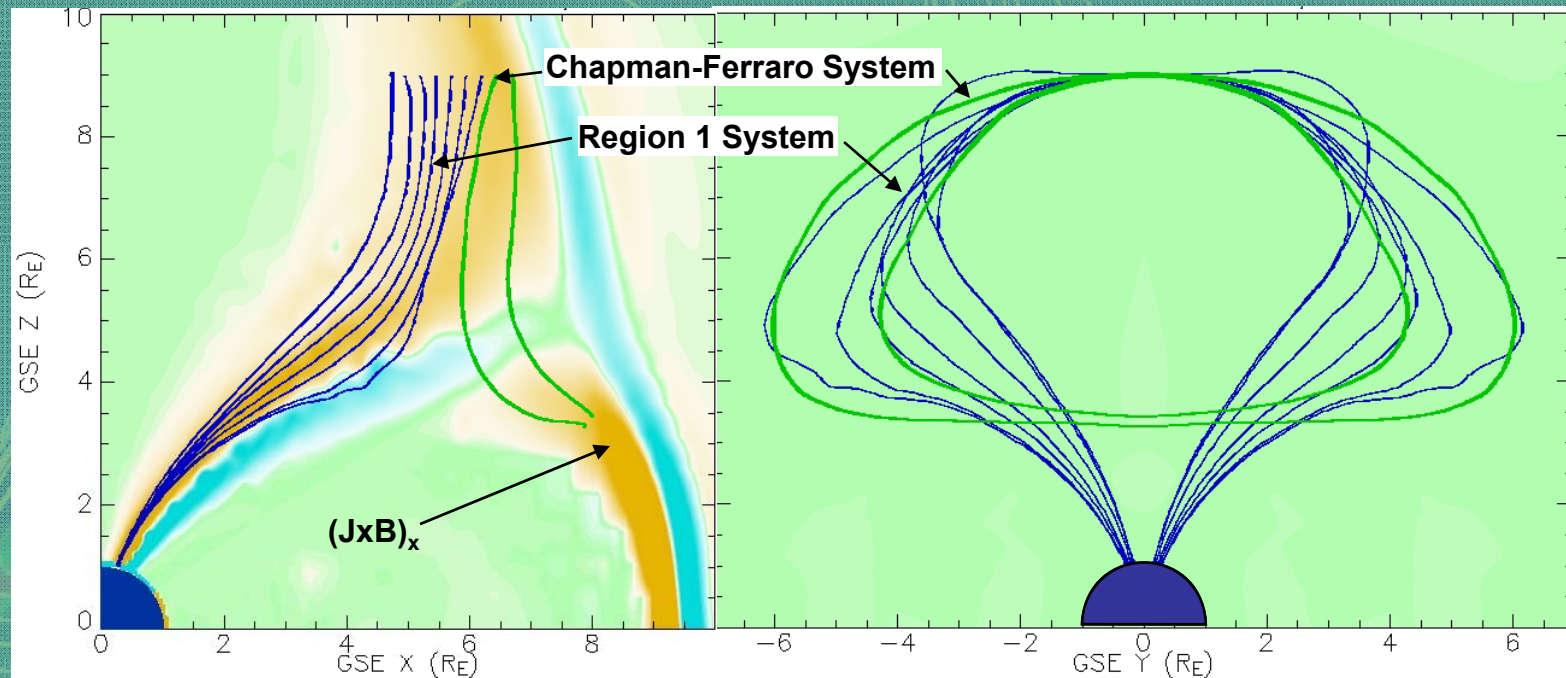


**Region 1 currents  
reach magnetosheath  
consistent with Atkinson picture**



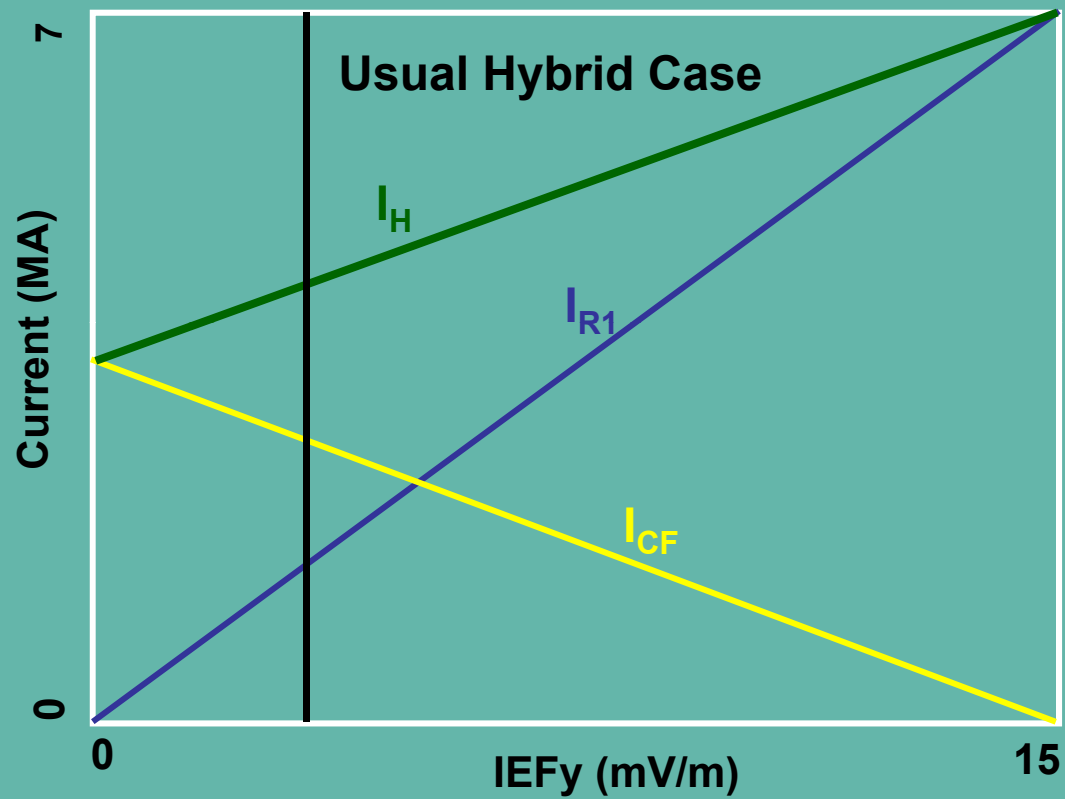
**Q: How do you self-consistently accommodate an extra 2 MA current system?**

**A: You replace the Chapman-Ferraro current with it.**



**IMF = (0, 0, -5) nT**

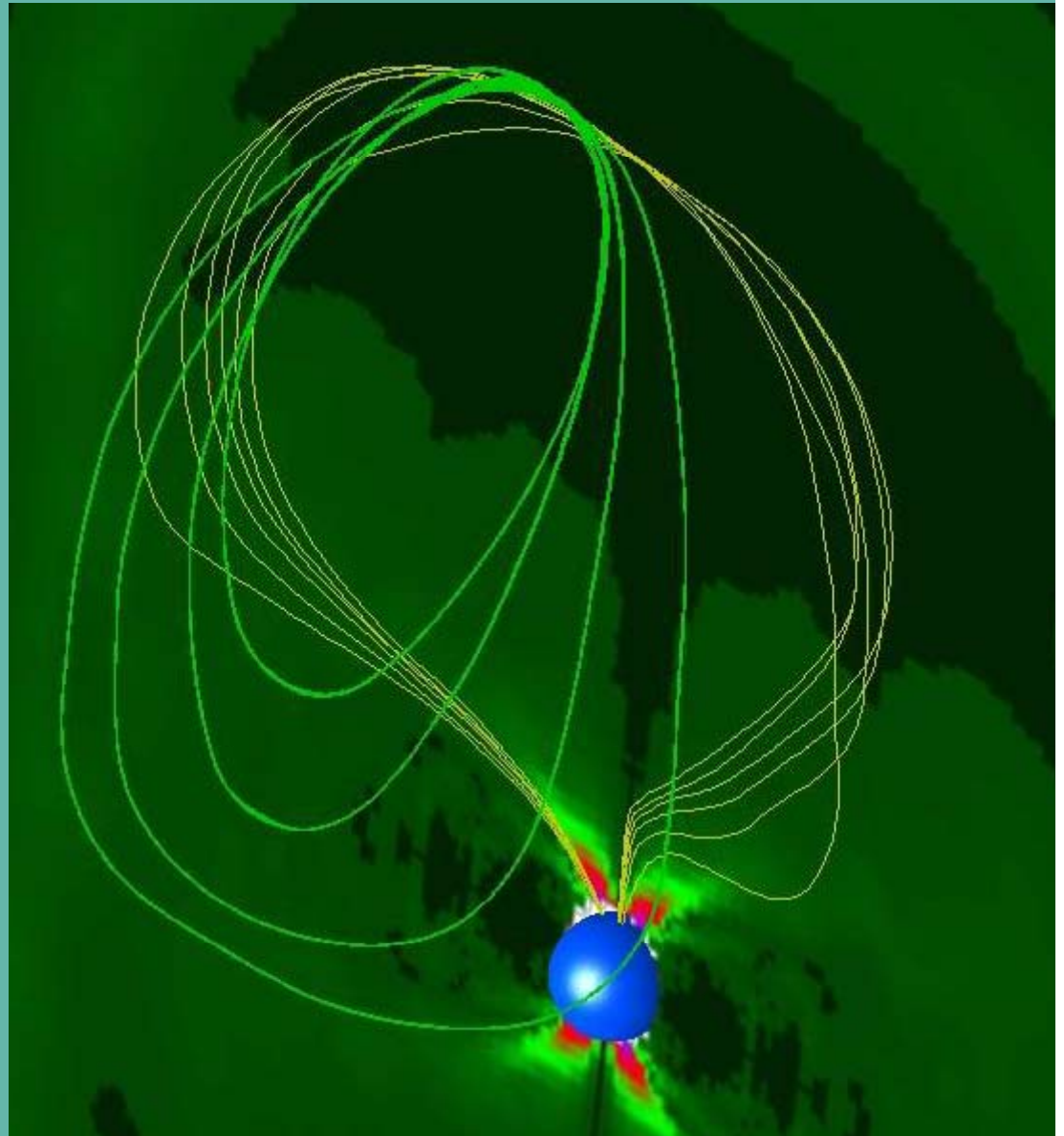
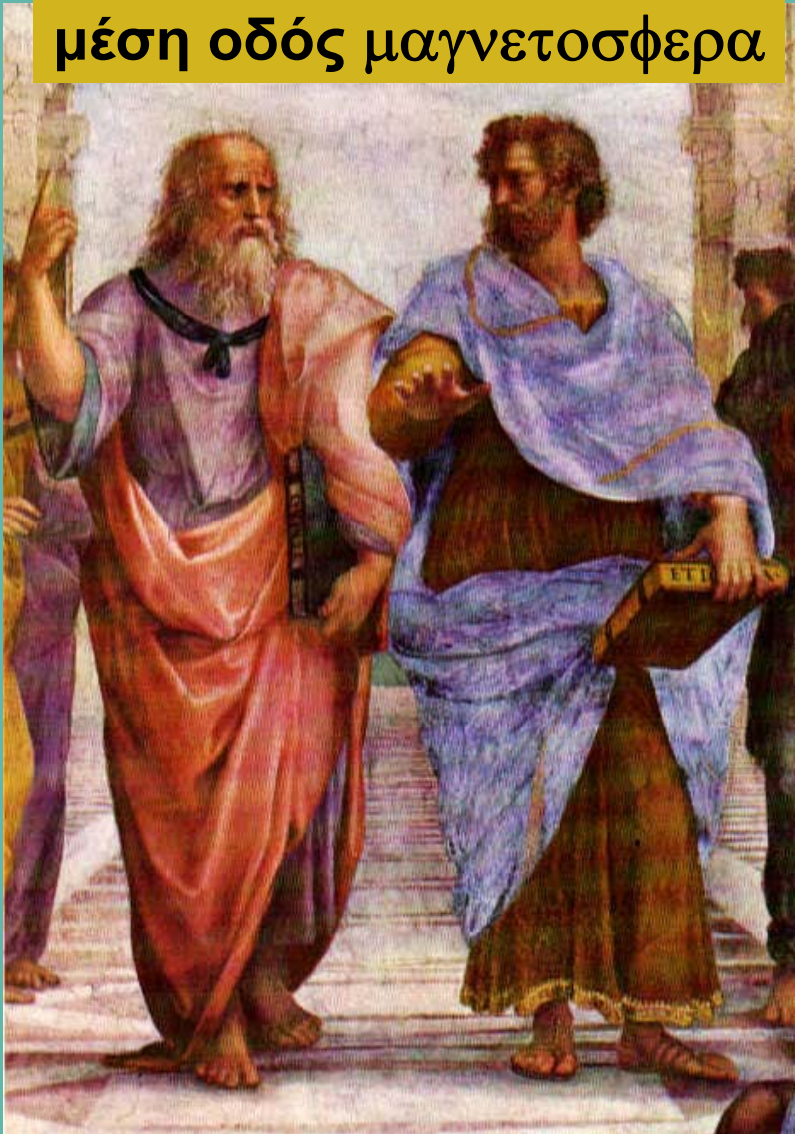
# Current Quasi-Conservation Principle



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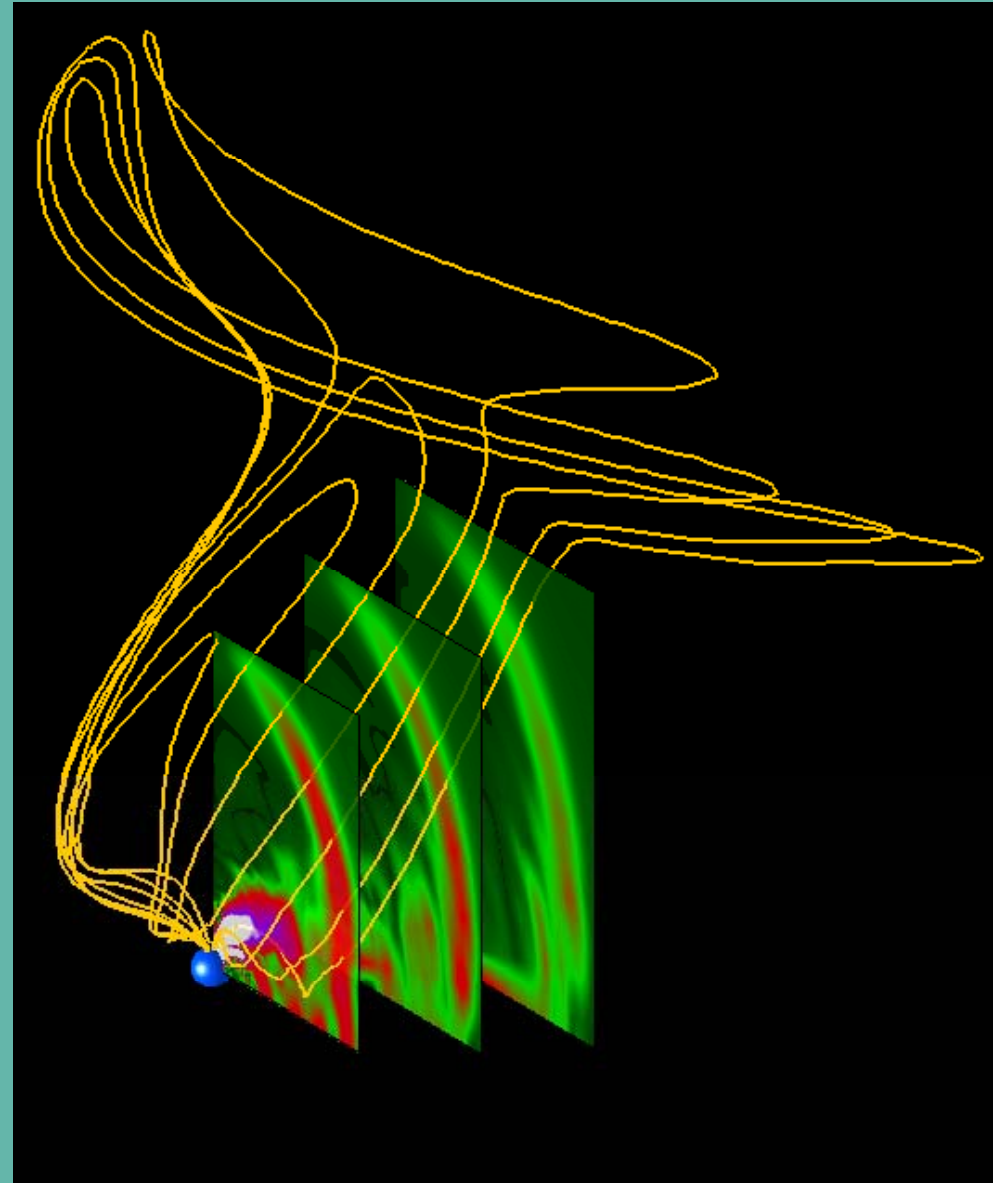
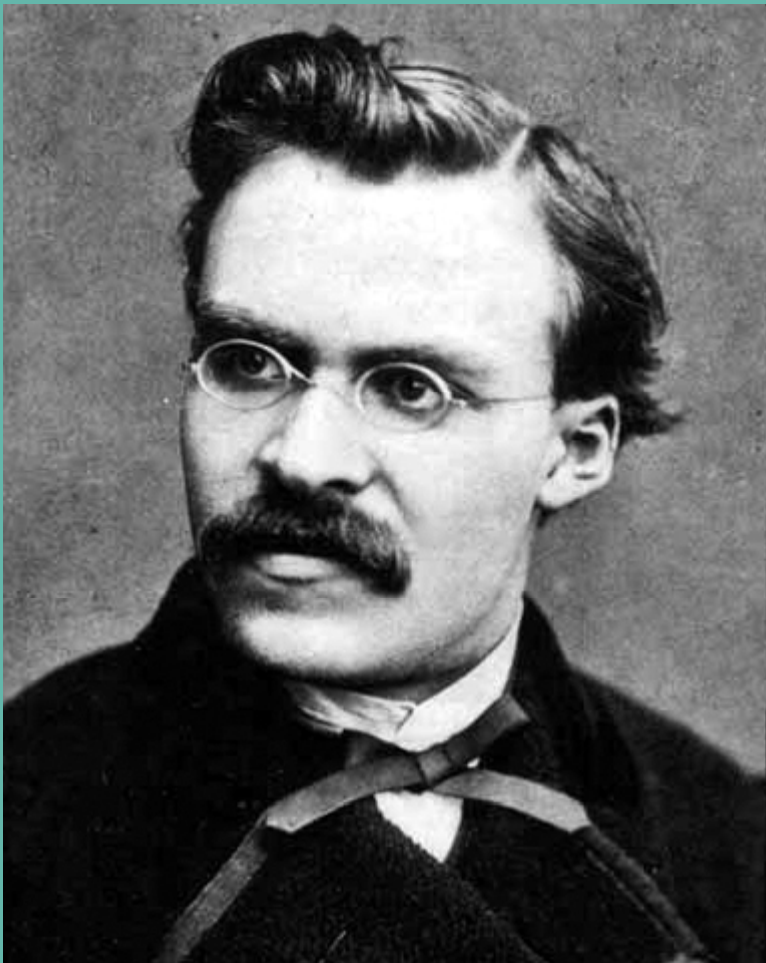
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# Highlights in the History of Magnetospheric Concepts (3)

**Dungey-Alfvén**  
ist die Über-Magnetosphaere



# The Vasyliunas Criterion for Quantifying the Two Magnetosphere types

Vasyliunas (2004) divided magnetospheres into solar wind dominated (CF-like) and ionosphere dominated (DA-like) depending on whether the magnetic pressure generated by the reconnection-driven ionospheric current is, respectively, less than or greater than the solar wind dynamic pressure.

The operative criterion is

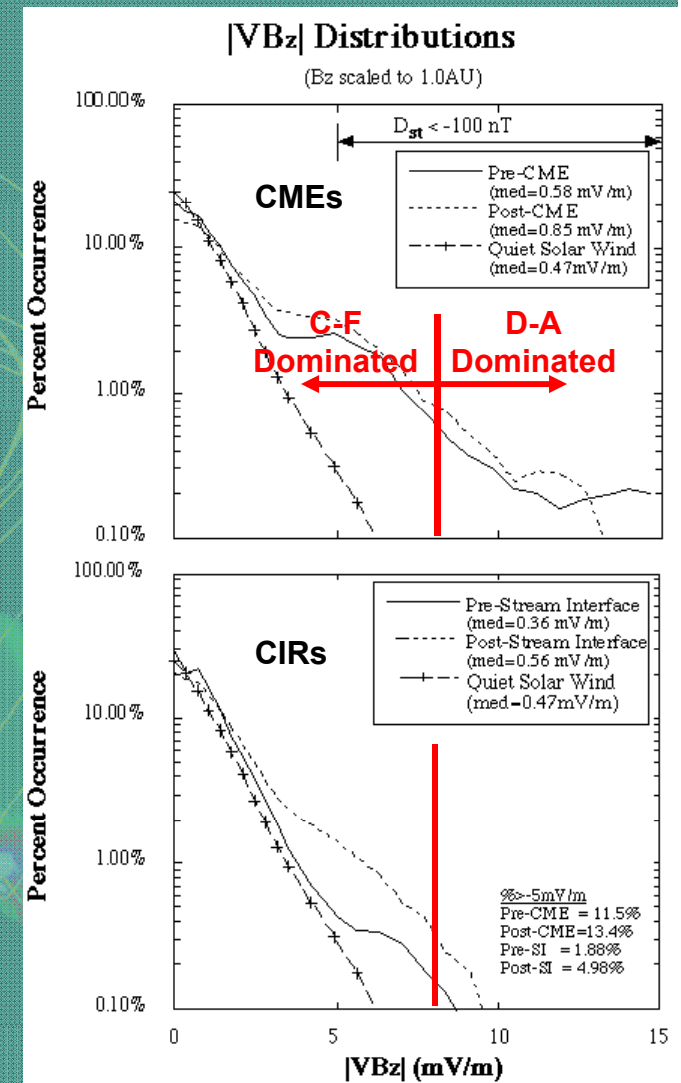
$$\mu_0 \Sigma_P V_A \varepsilon \sim 1$$

$\Sigma_P$  = ionospheric Pedersen conductance

$V_A$  = Alfvén speed in the solar wind

$\varepsilon$  = magnetic reconnection efficiency

By this criterion, the standard magnetosphere is solar wind (C-F) dominated; the storm-time magnetosphere, ionosphere (D-A) dominated.



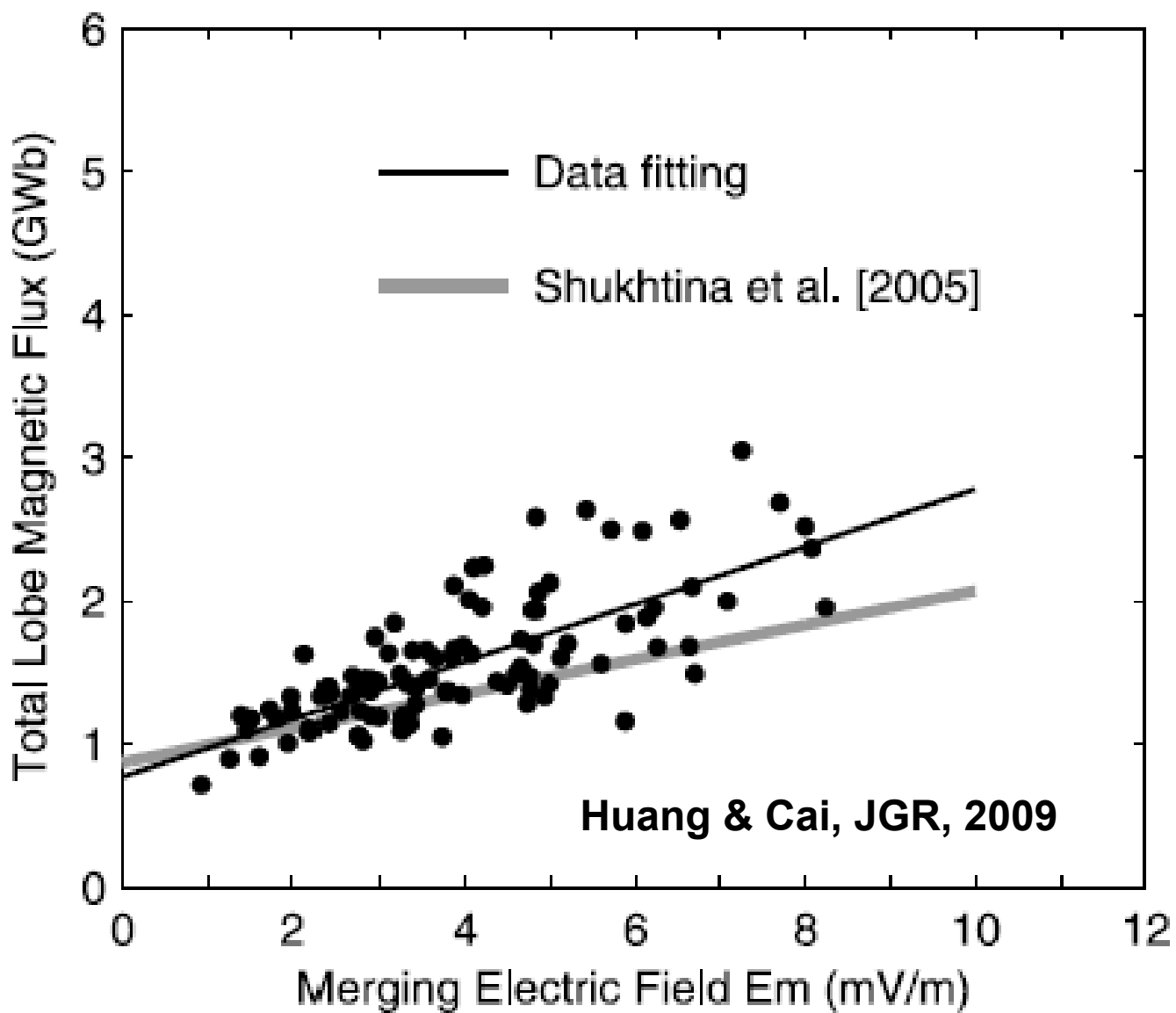


# Properties of the Dungey-Alfvén Magnetosphere

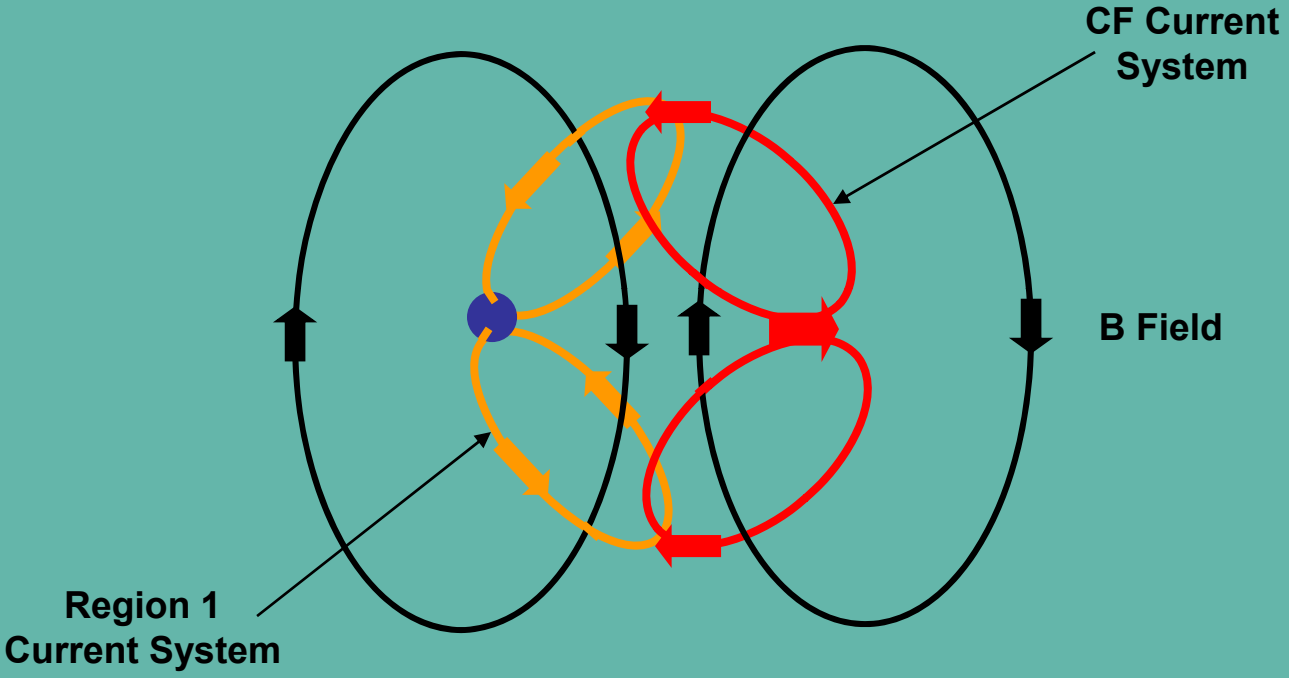
- **Huge dayside-nightside flux imbalance**



# Massive Magnetic Flux Transfer



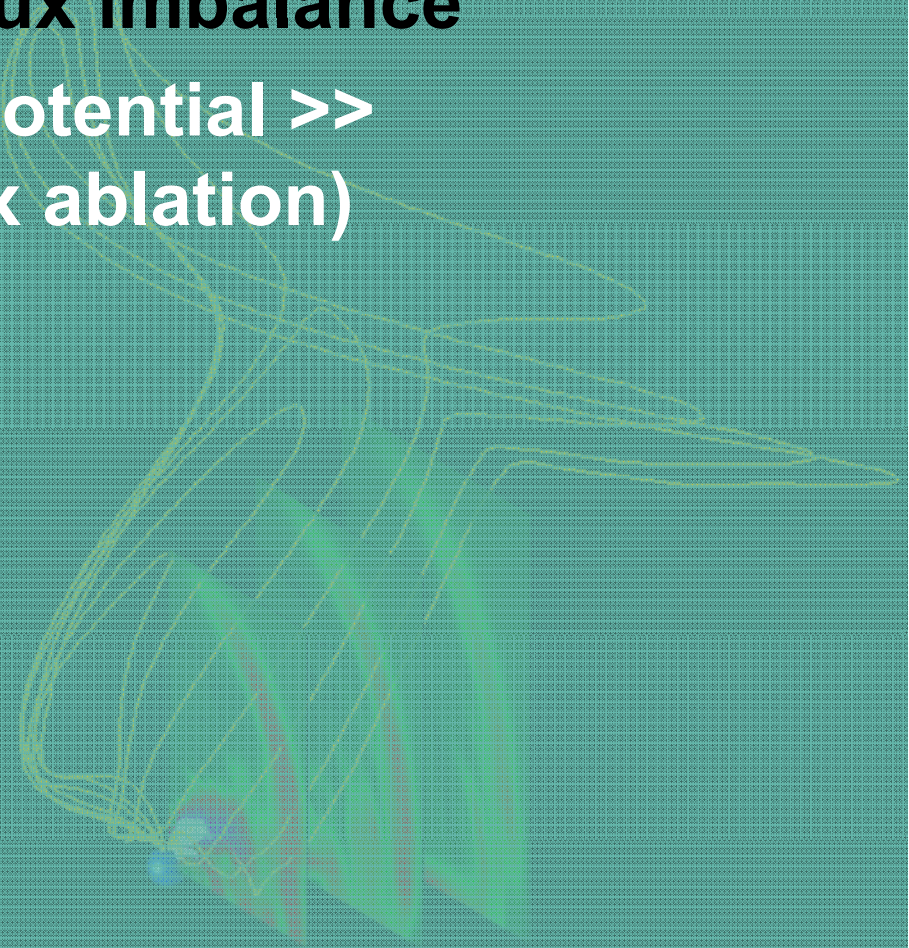
# Explanation



One consequence: Big EMF

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- **Huge dayside-nightside flux imbalance**
  - **Trans-magnetospheric Potential  $\gg$  Transpolar Potential (flux ablation)**



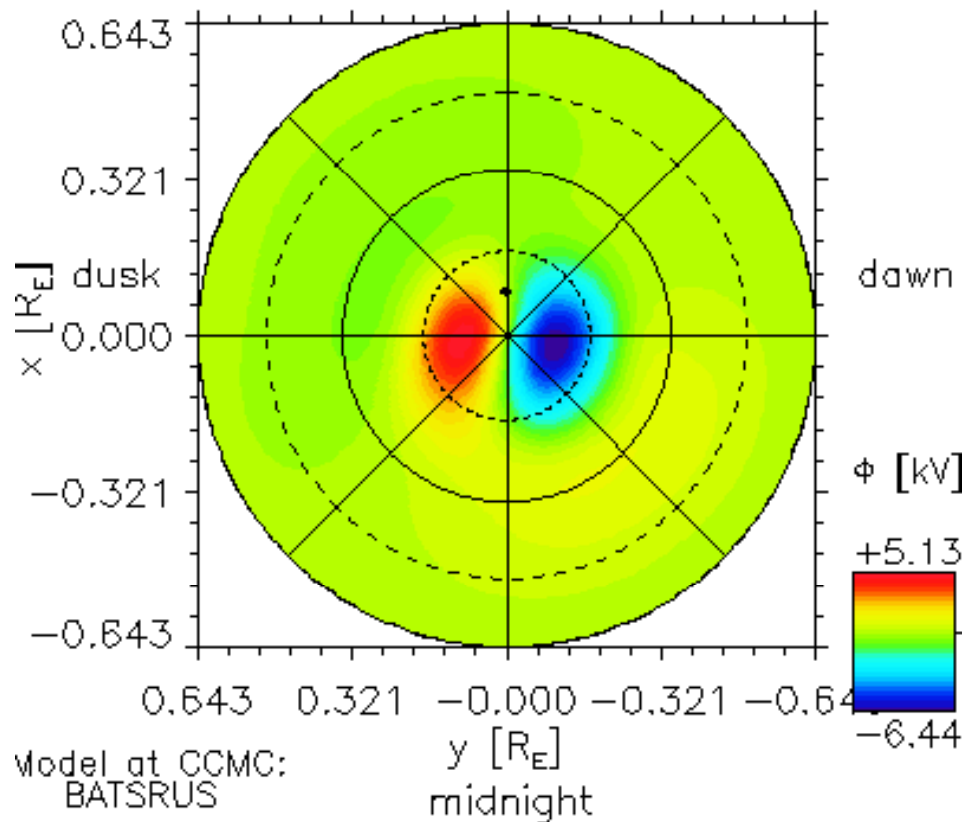
# Natasha\_Buzulukova\_093008\_1 CCMC Run

## IMF Bz goes from +10 nT to -10 nT at 4:30

01/01/2000 Time = 04:30:00

### Northern Hemisphere

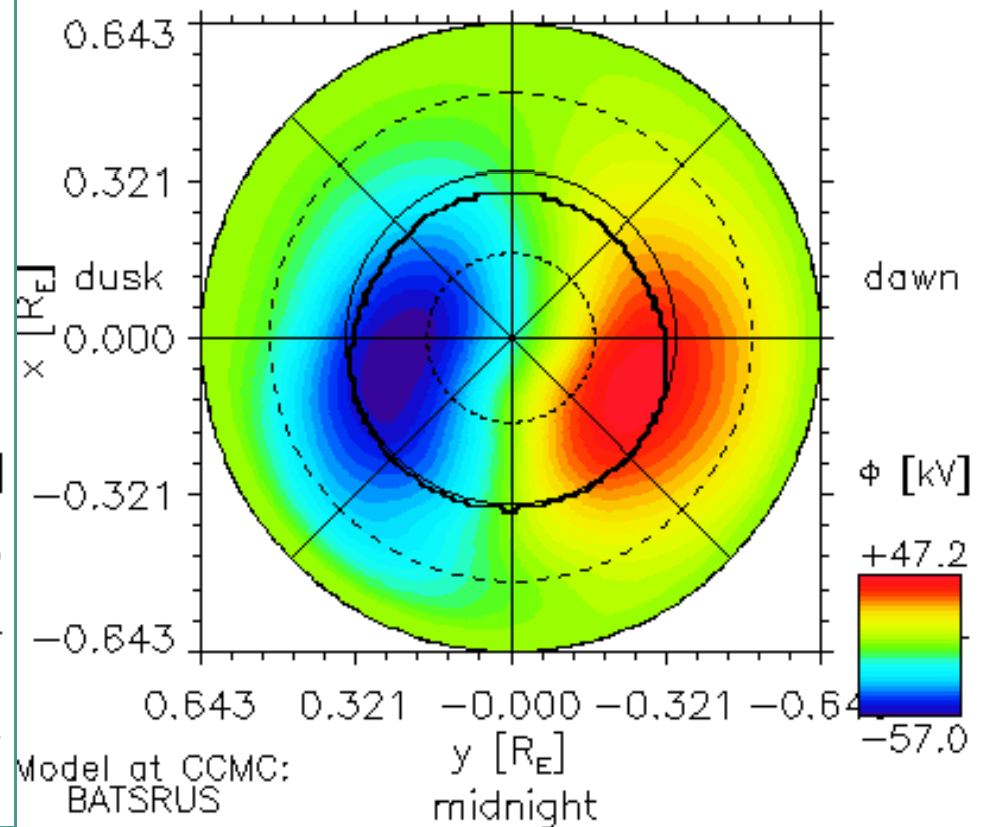
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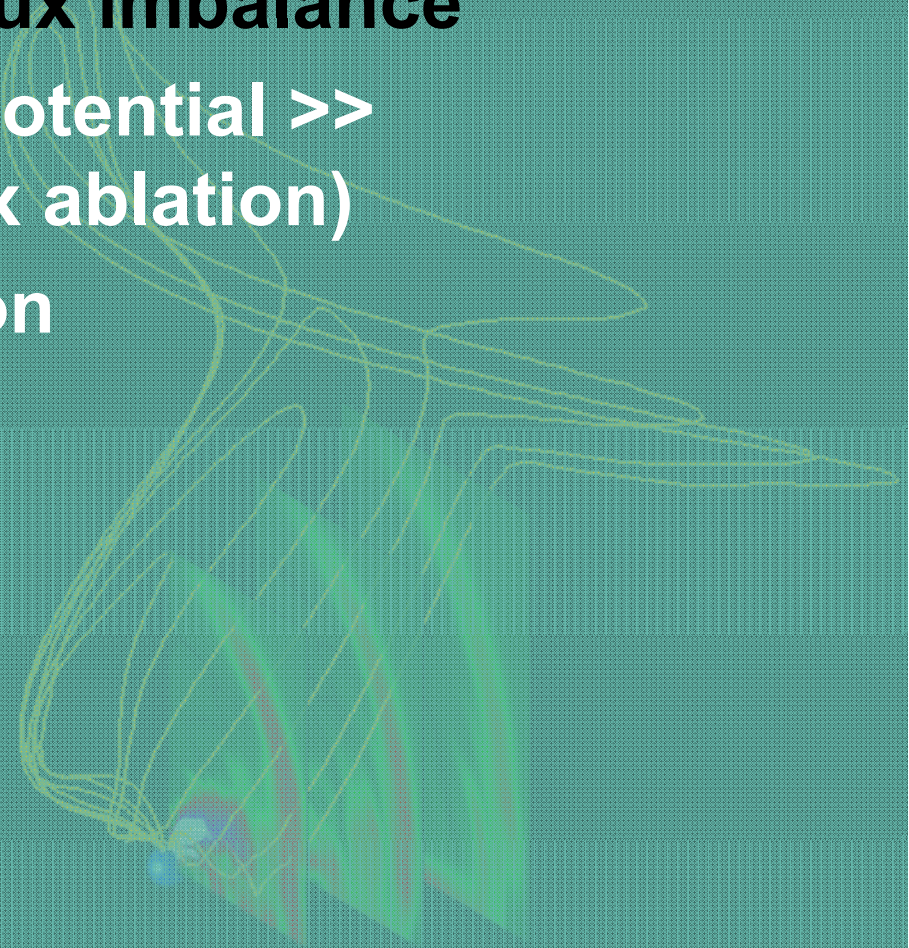
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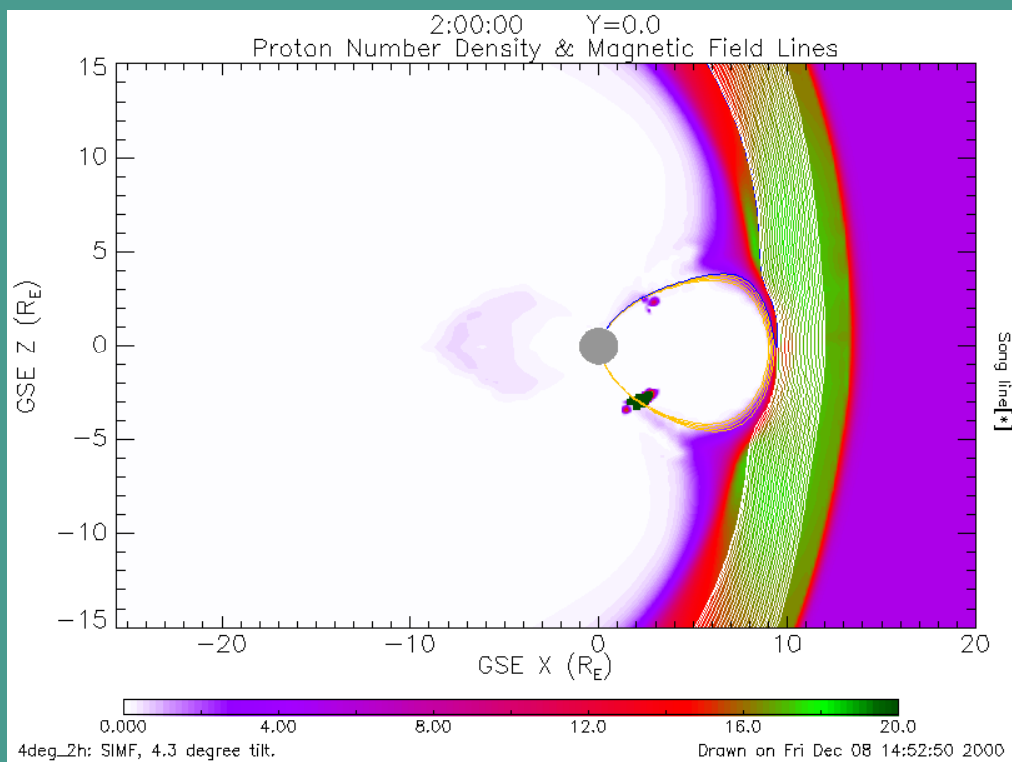
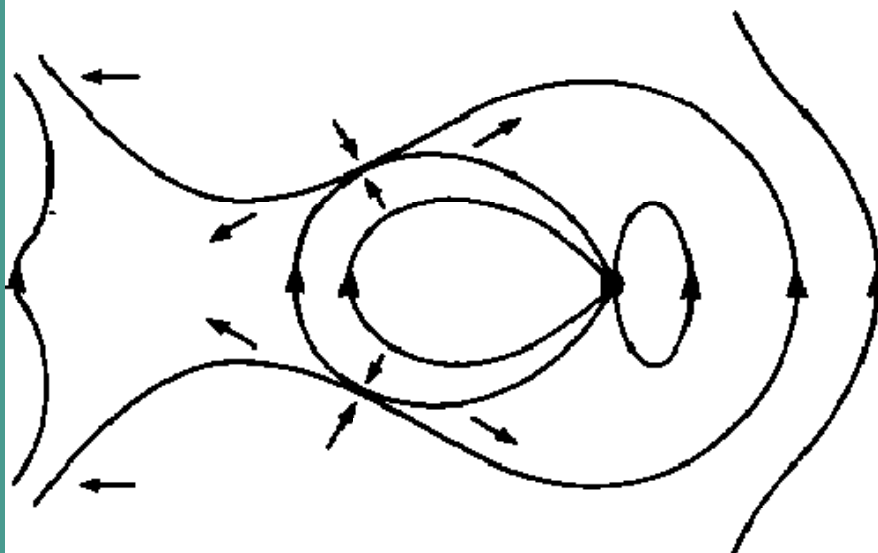
# EMF = 257 kV

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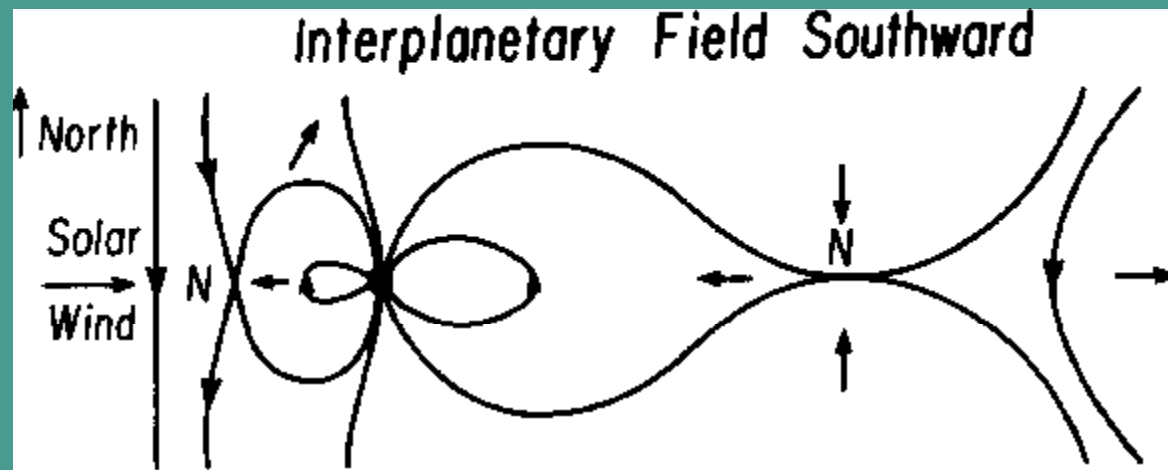
- **Huge dayside-nightside flux imbalance**
  - Trans-magnetospheric Potential  $\gg$  Transpolar Potential (flux ablation)
  - An aside on flux accretion



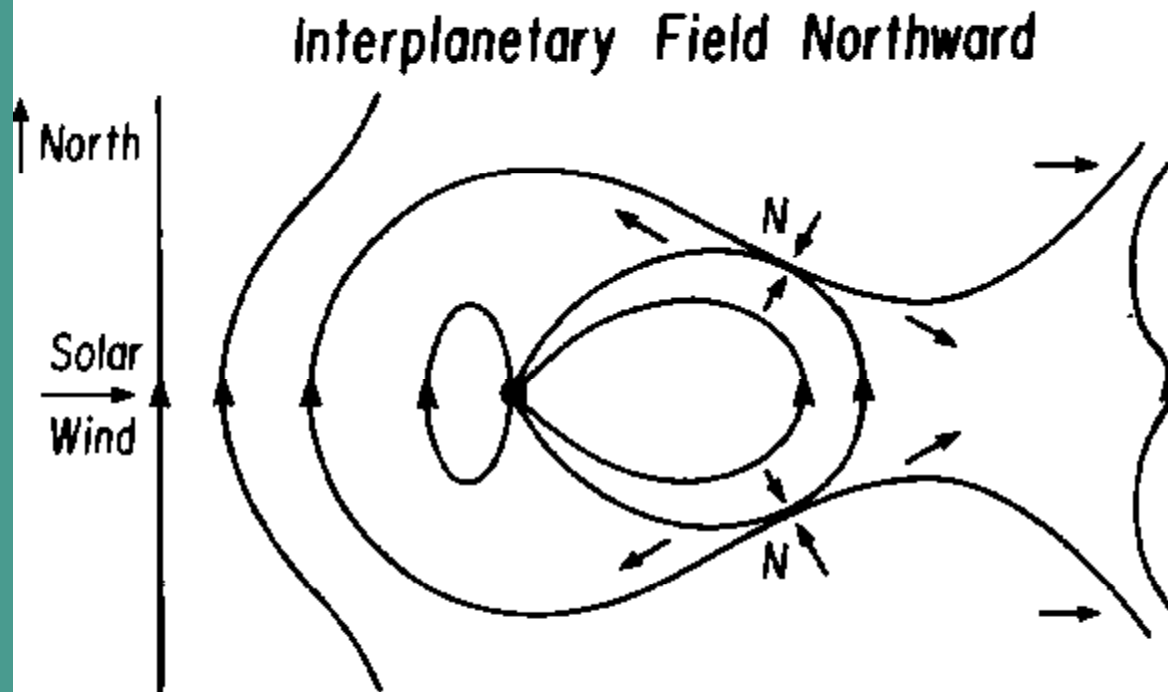
# Interplanetary Field Northward



**Dayside  
Shrinks  
by Flux  
Ablation**



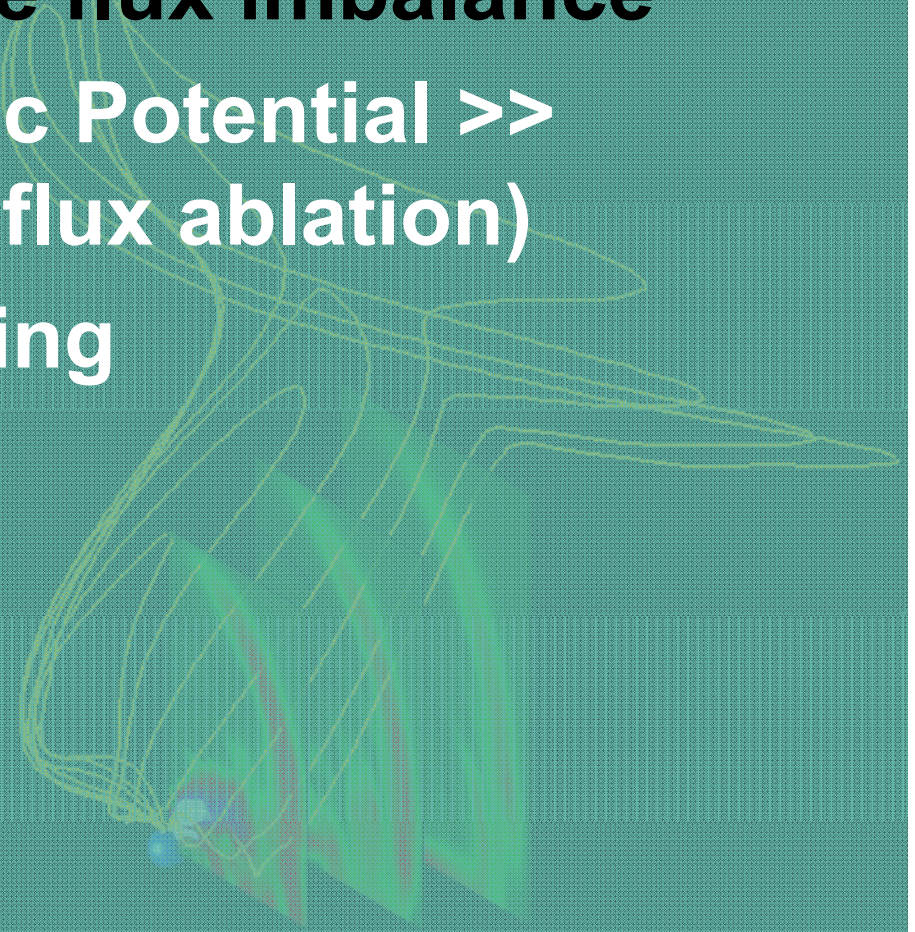
**Dayside  
Grows  
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Accretion**



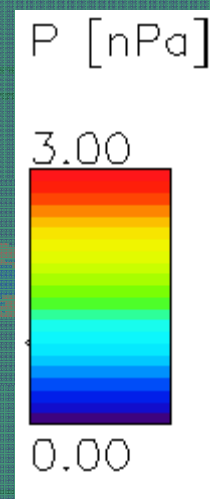
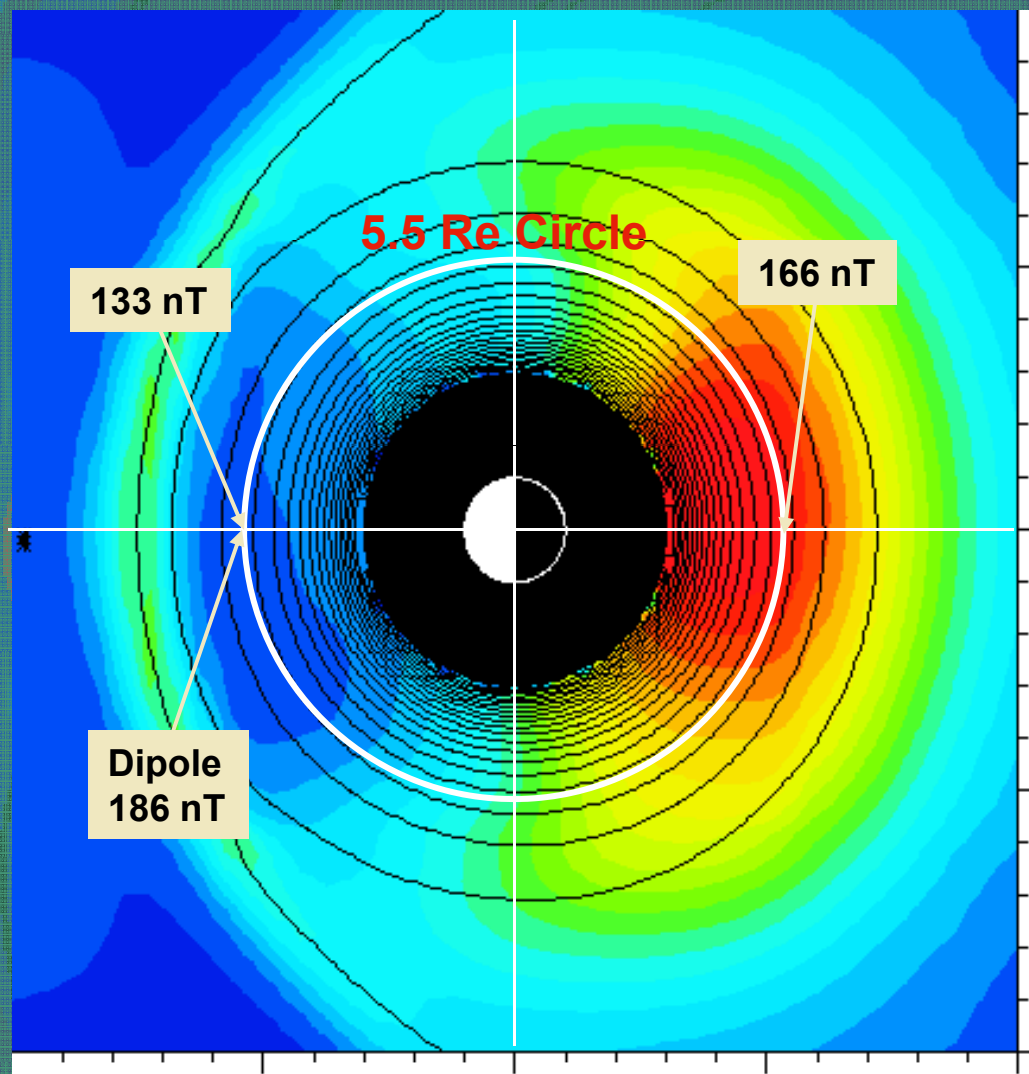


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  - - Dayside field weakening



# Dayside Field Weakening

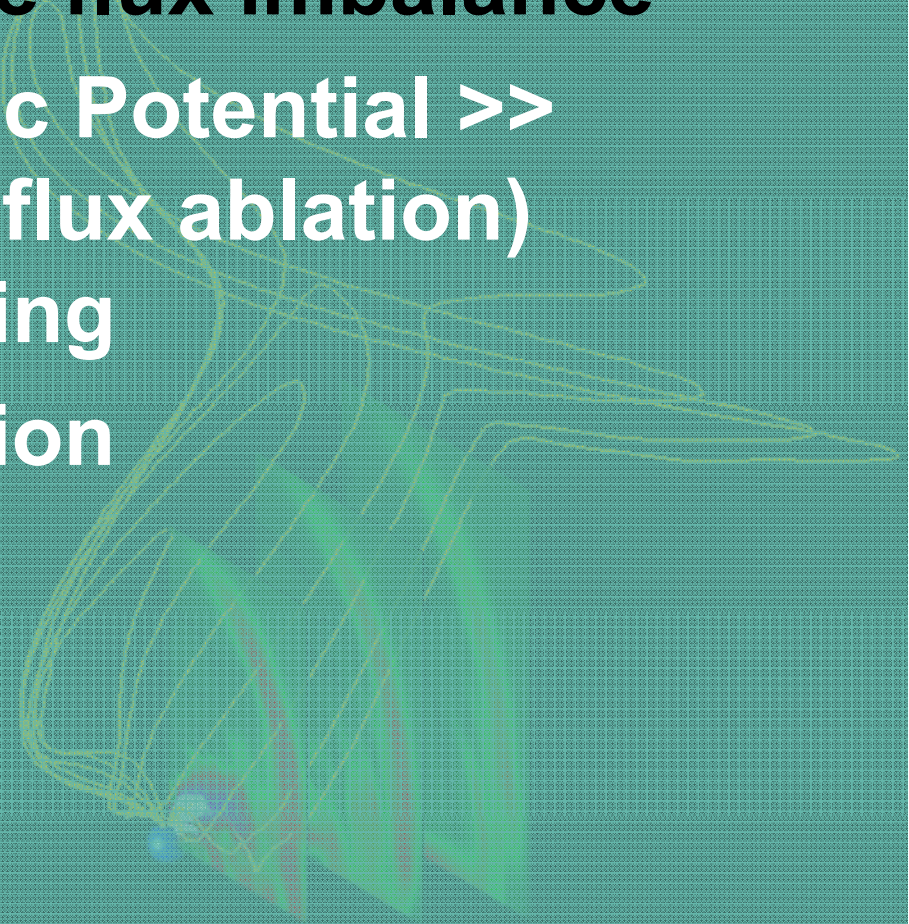


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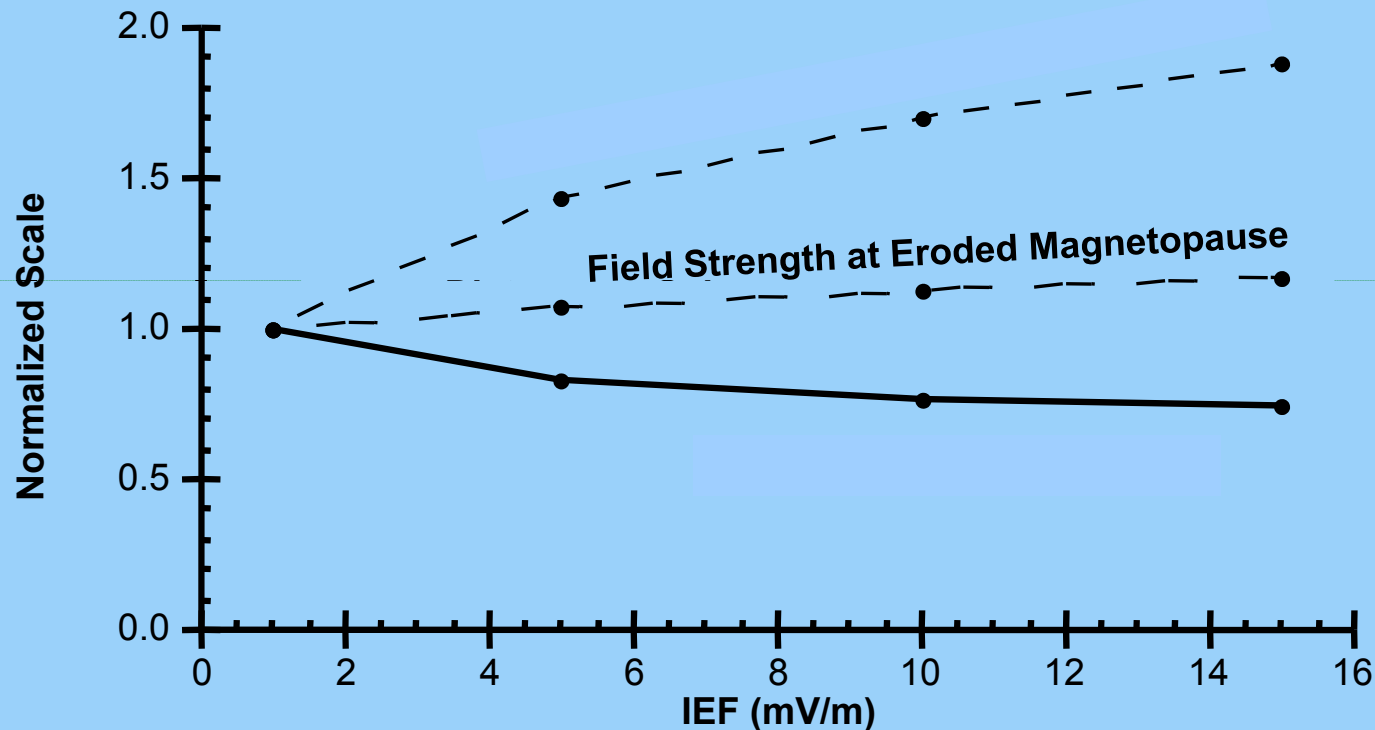
IMF = (0, 0, -20) nT

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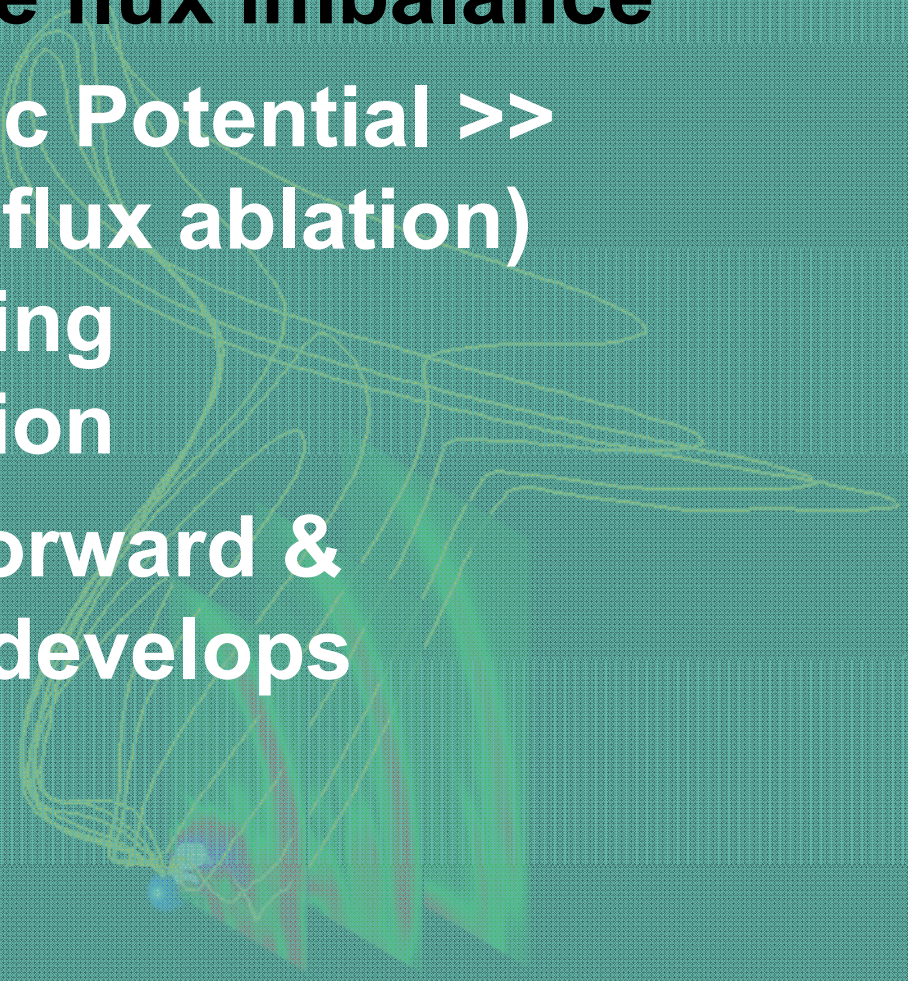
## Equivalence of Magnetospheric Erosion and Region 1 Current System Buildup



**Boundary moves earthward to hold stagnation field strength ~ constant as region 1 current increases. This is magnetospheric erosion.**

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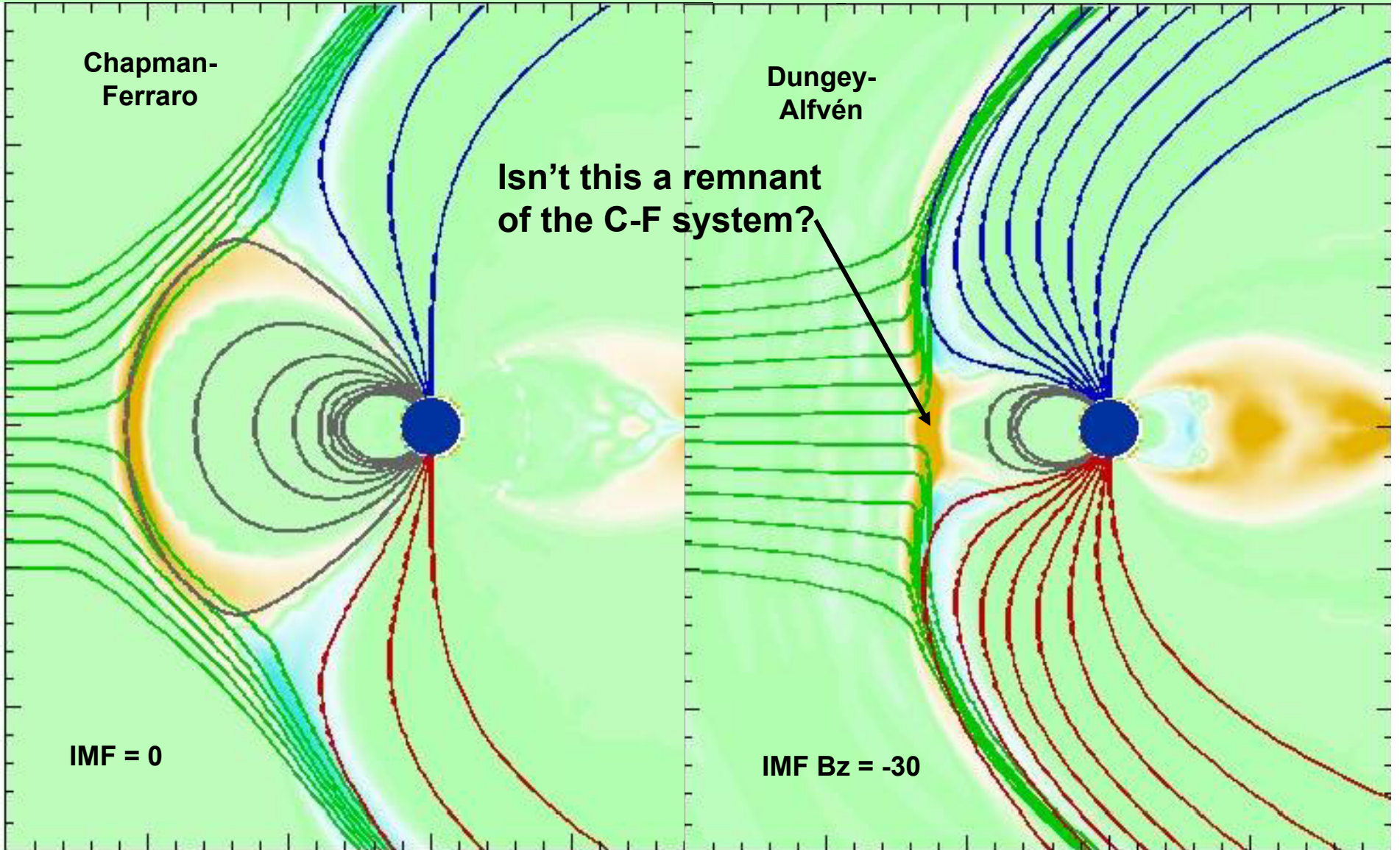
Chapman-Ferraro

Dungey-Alfvén

Isn't this a remnant of the C-F system?

IMF = 0

IMF Bz = -30



# Subsolar Reconnection Current System

Magnetopause Segment  
Magnetosheath Segment  
Bow-Shock Segment

No

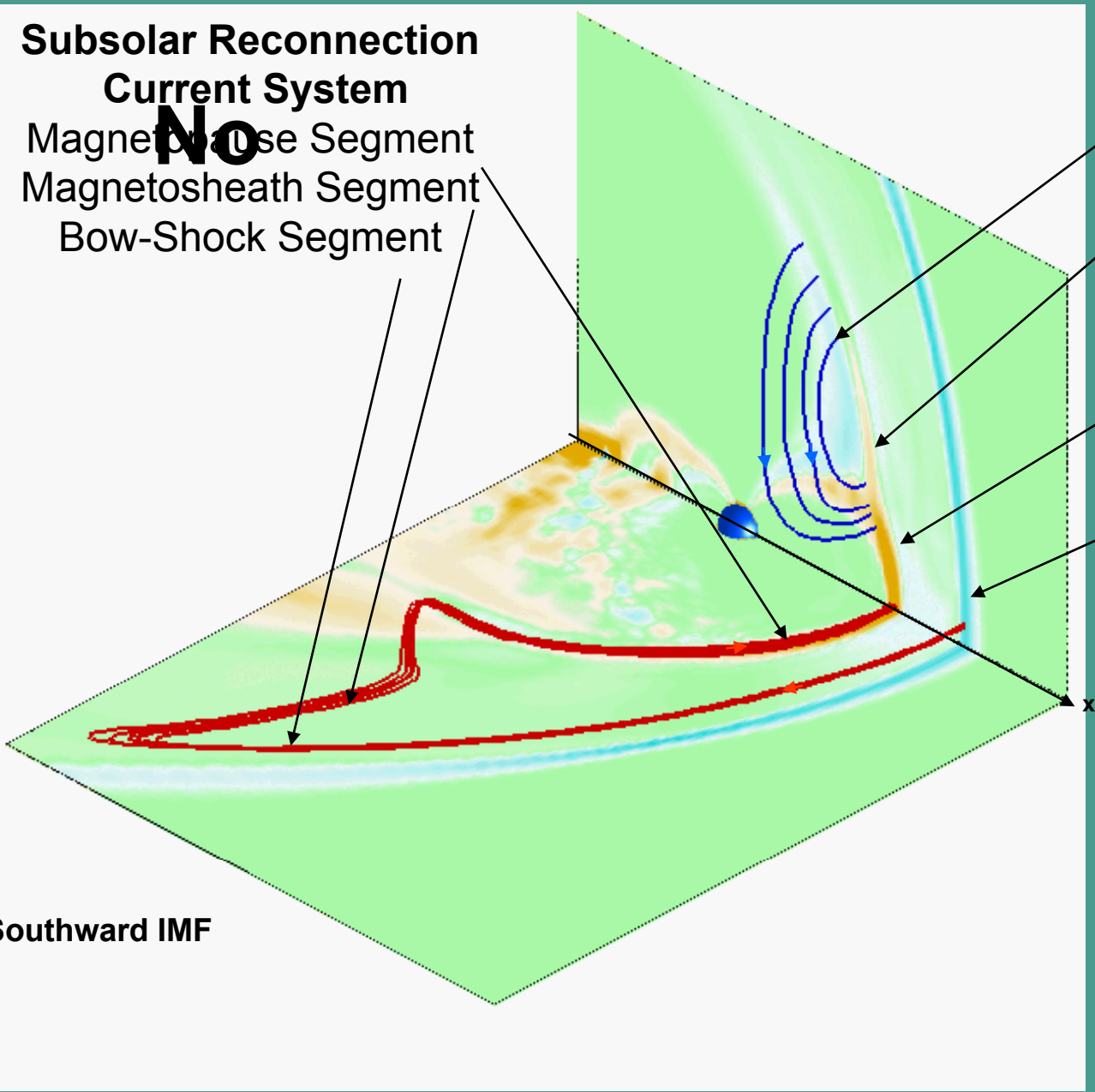
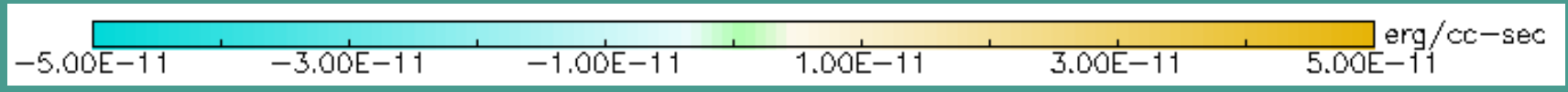
Southward IMF

C-F Current System

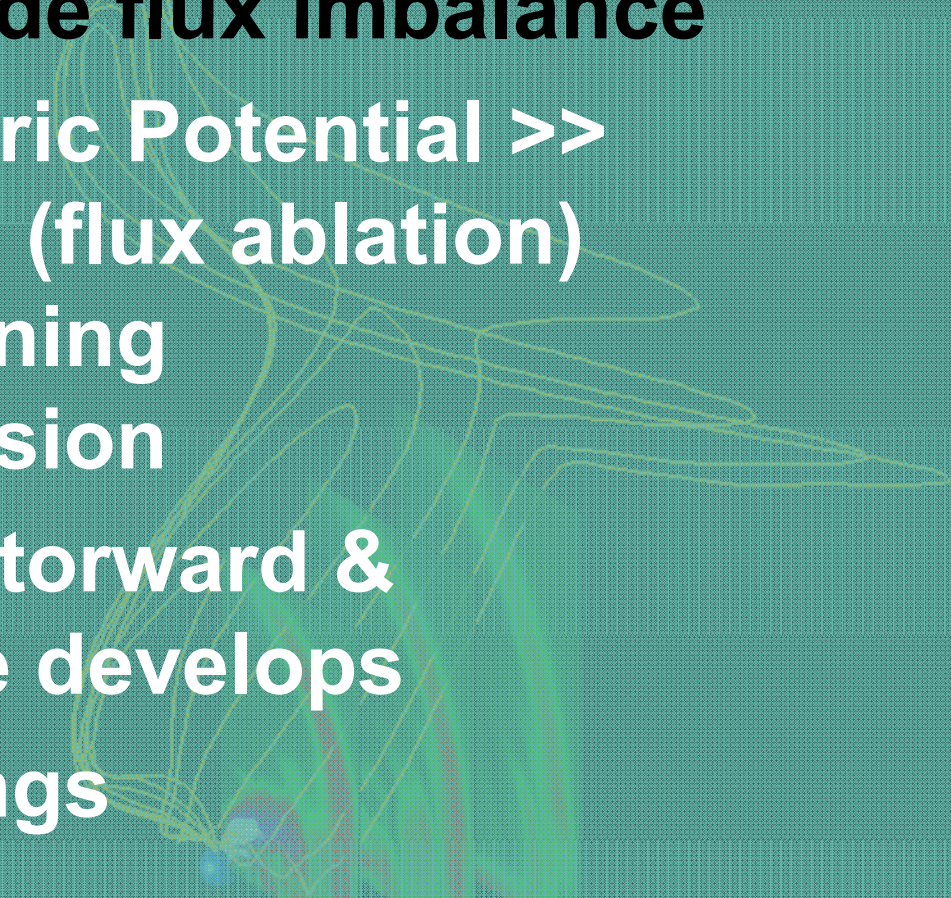
Magnetopause

Magnetosheath

Bow Shock

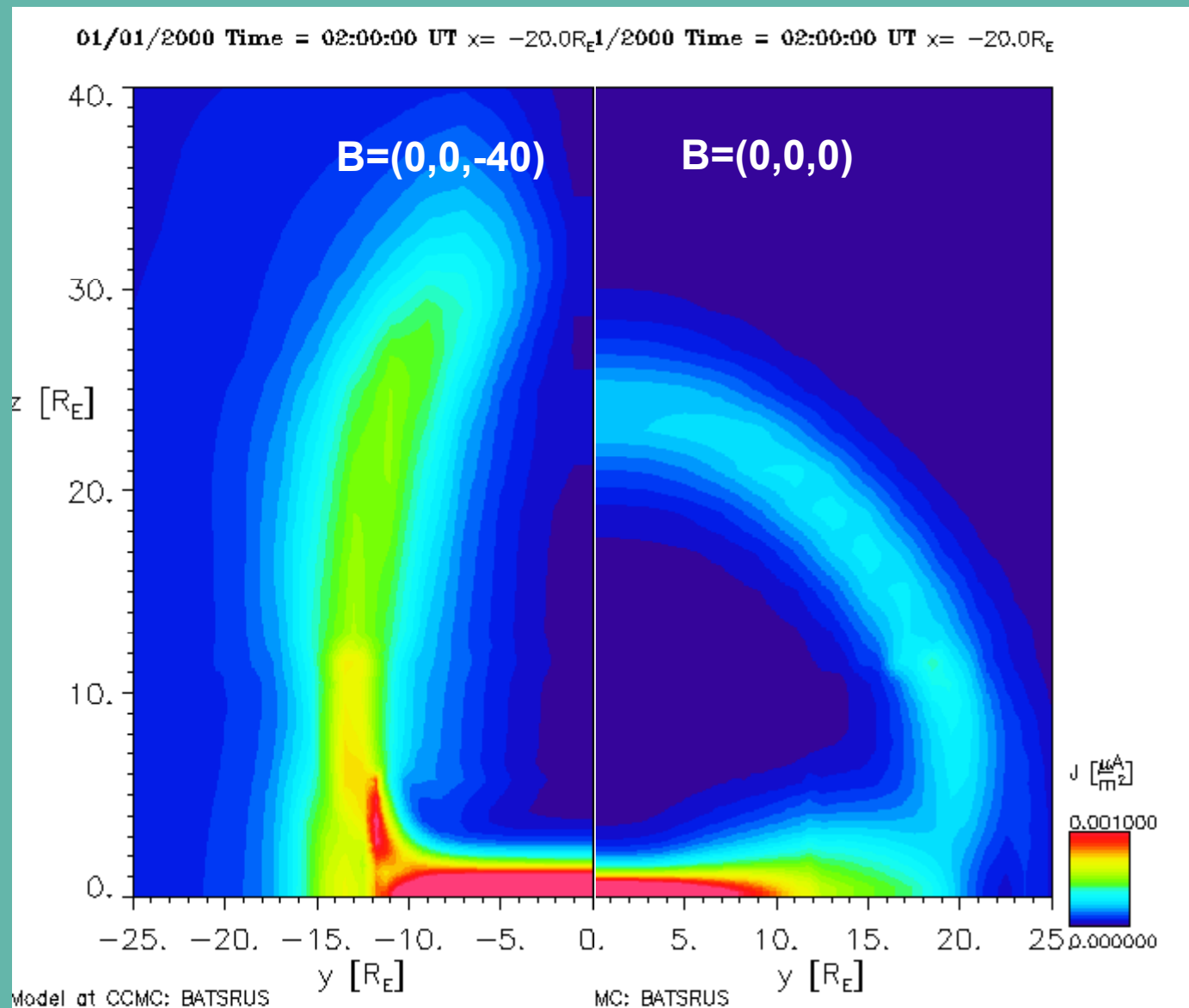


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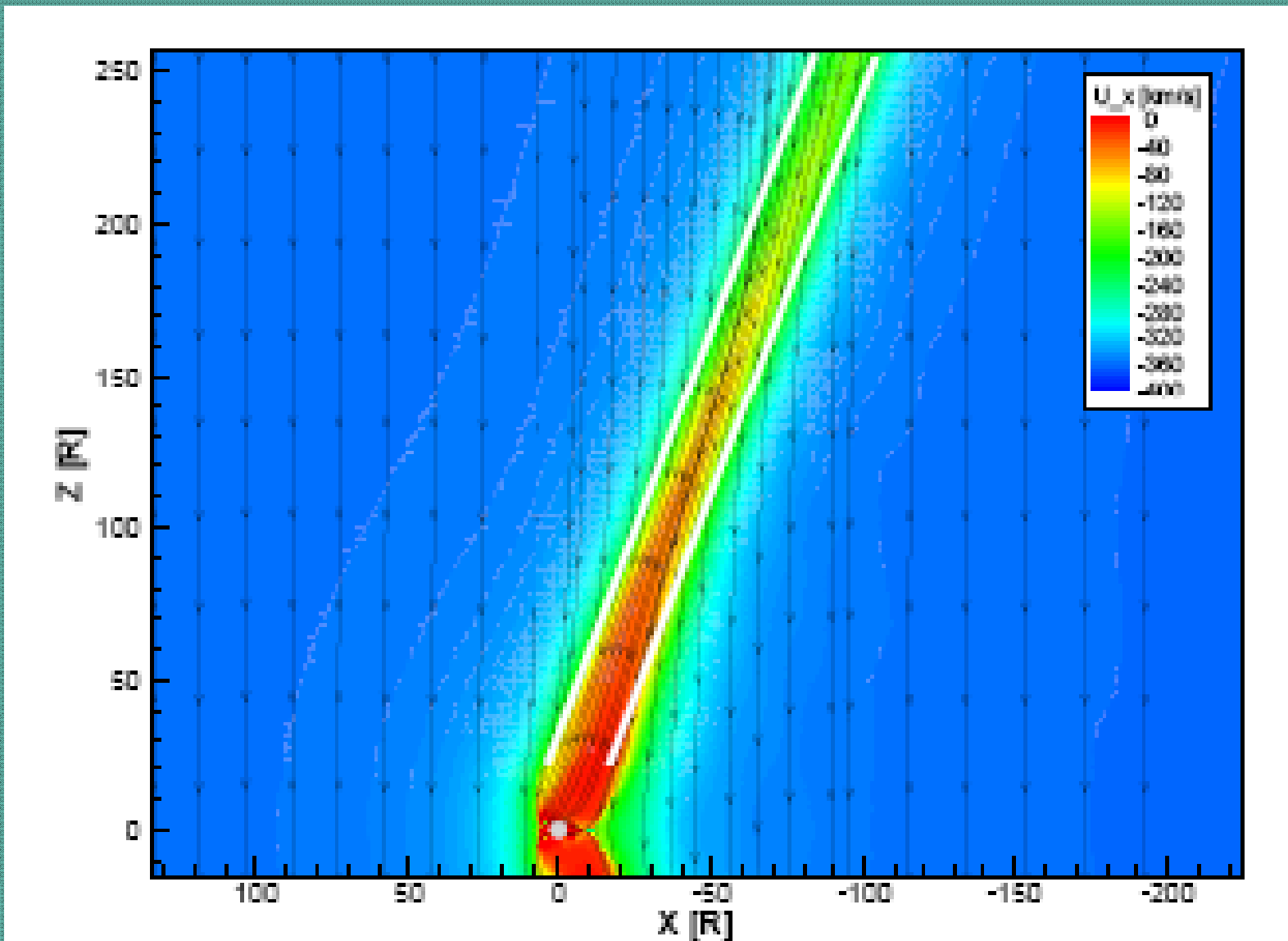
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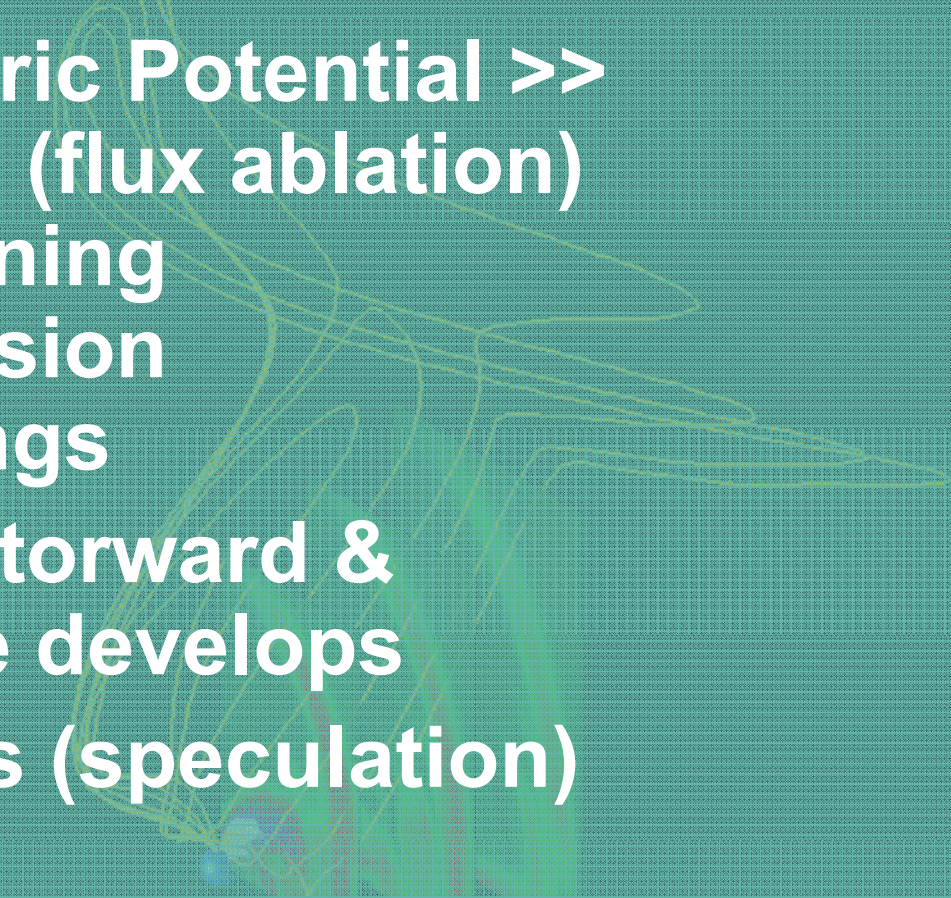
# Tail Morphing into Wings



# Ridley (2007) Alfvén Wings

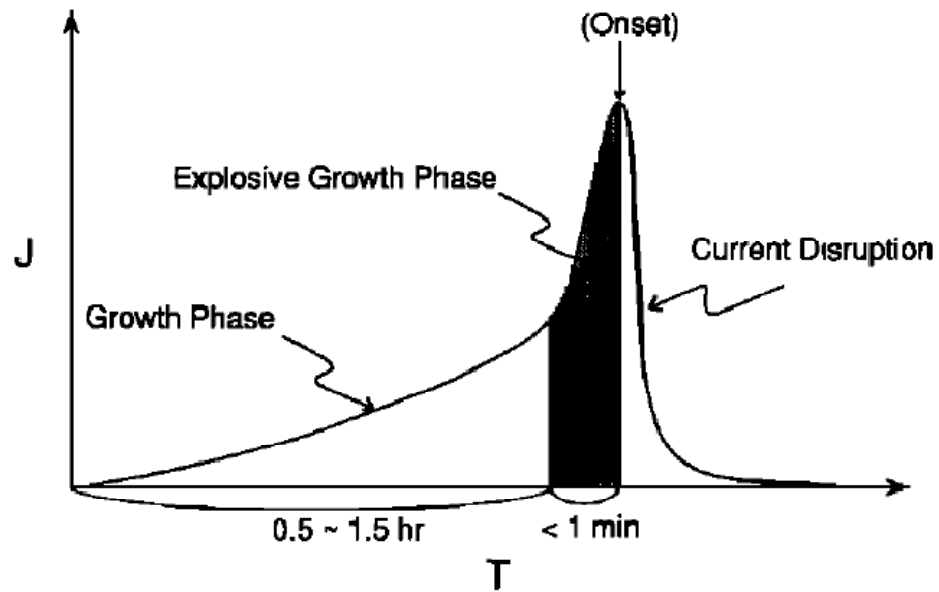


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    - - Sawtooth substorms (speculation)
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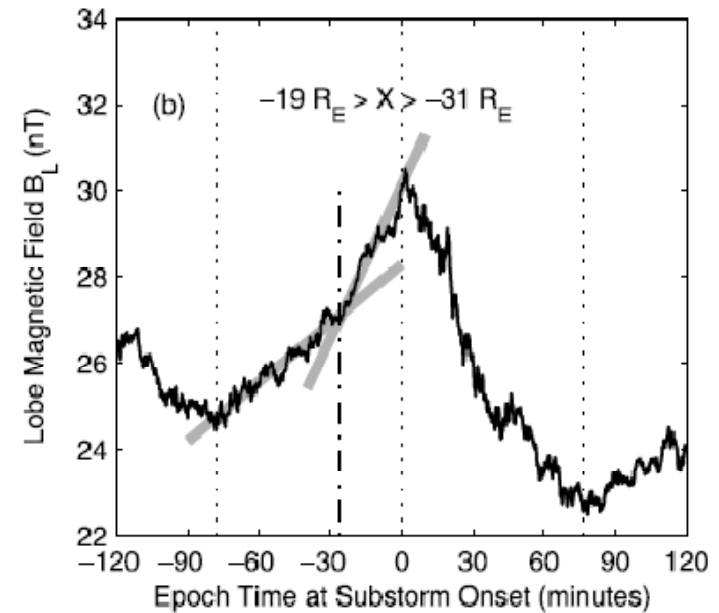
# Regular Substorms

Ohtani et al., 1992

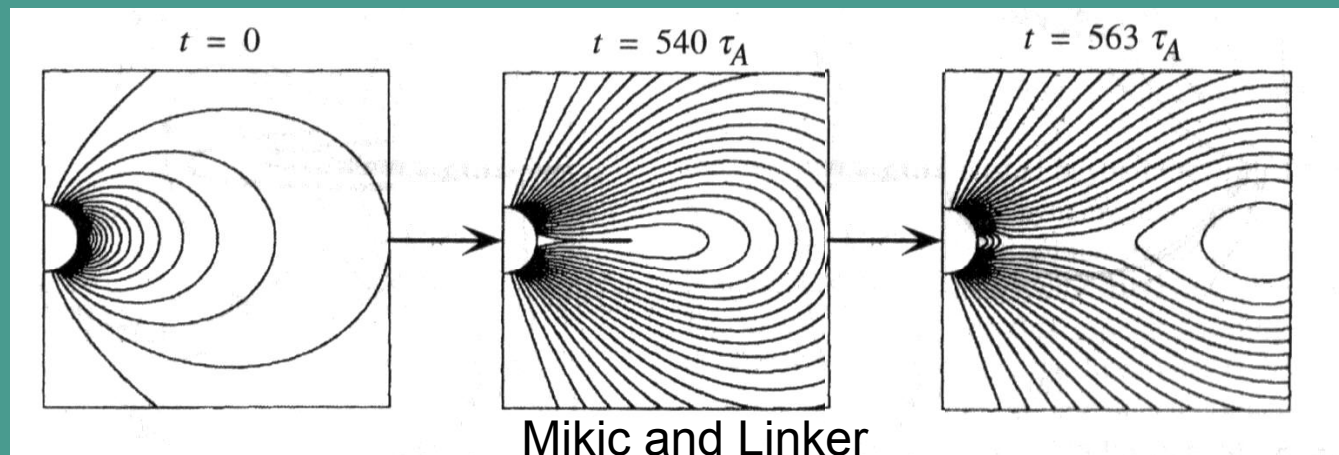


# Sawtooth Substorms


Huang & Cai, 2009



# CMEs



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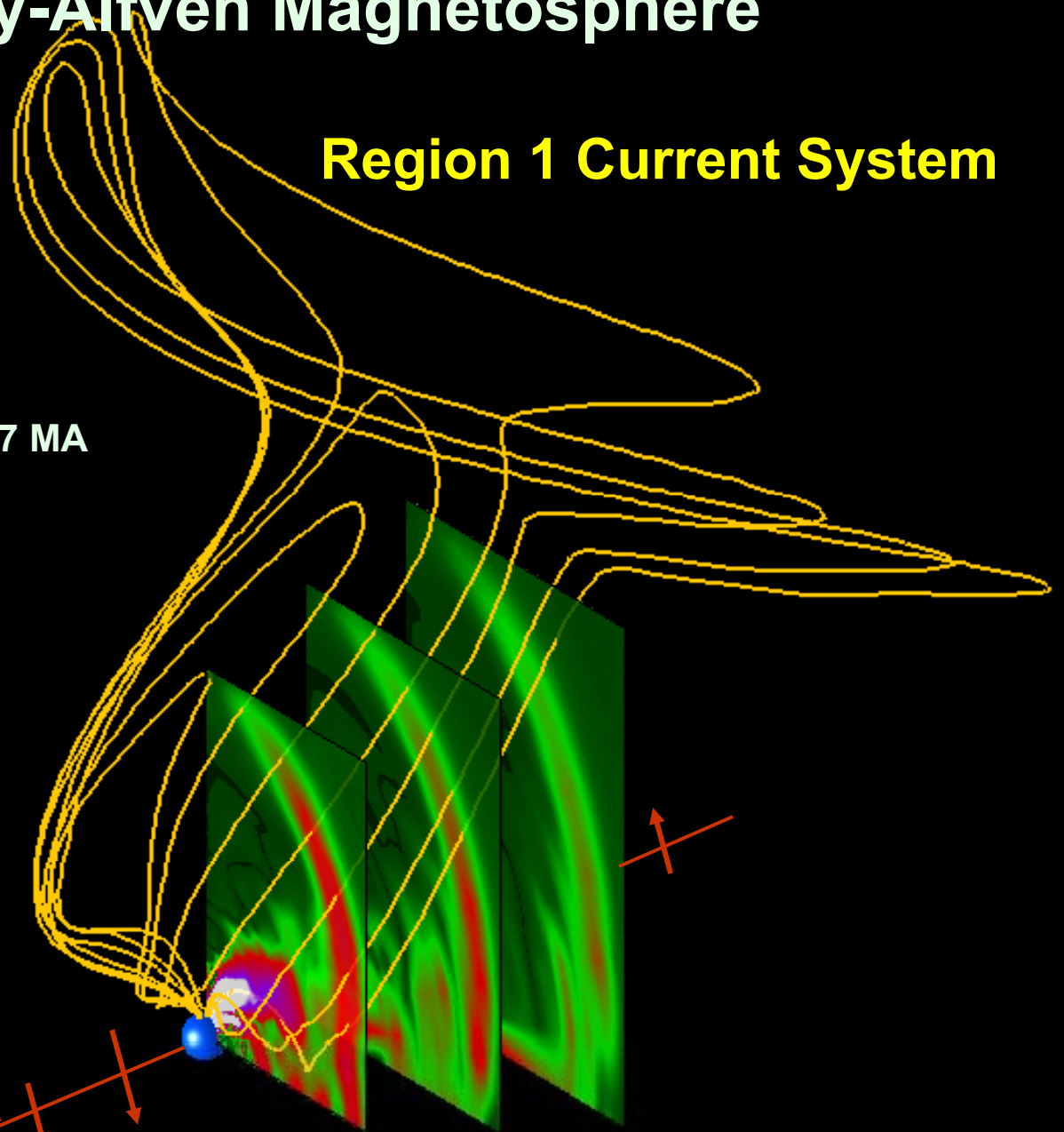
# Dungey-Alfvén Magnetosphere

## Region 1 Current System

$$I_{R1} \geq 7 \text{ MA}$$

R1 dayside rarefaction  
~ 70% dipole field

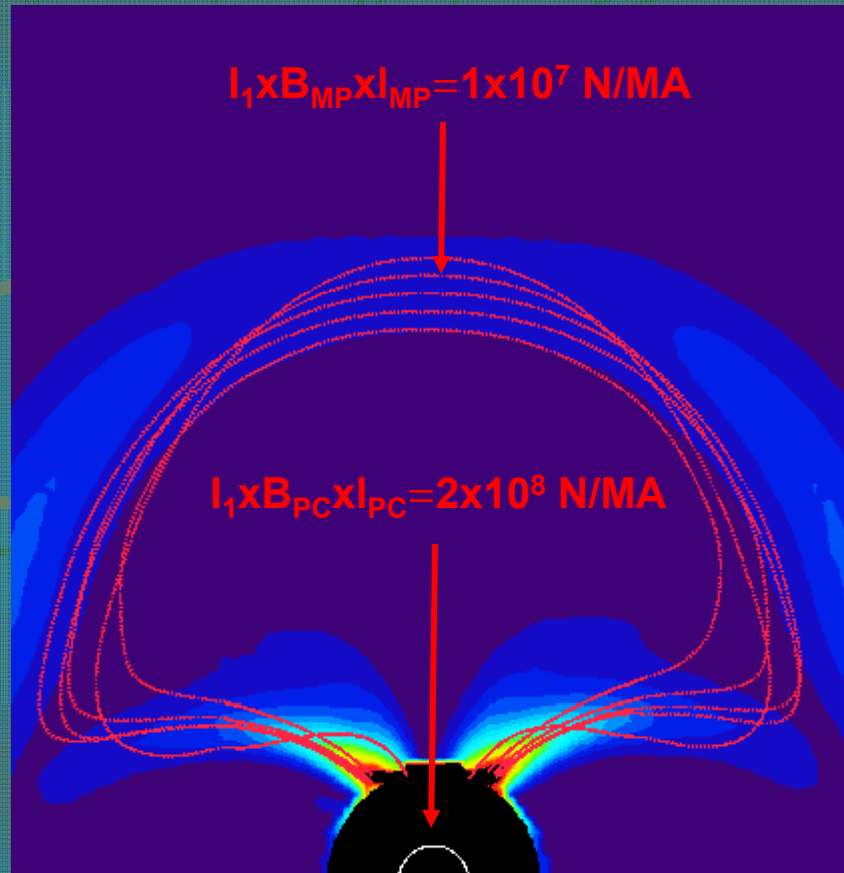
Magnetic gradient pushes Earth toward the Sun.



# Region 1 Force Amplified by Dipole Interaction

Back of the envelope estimate

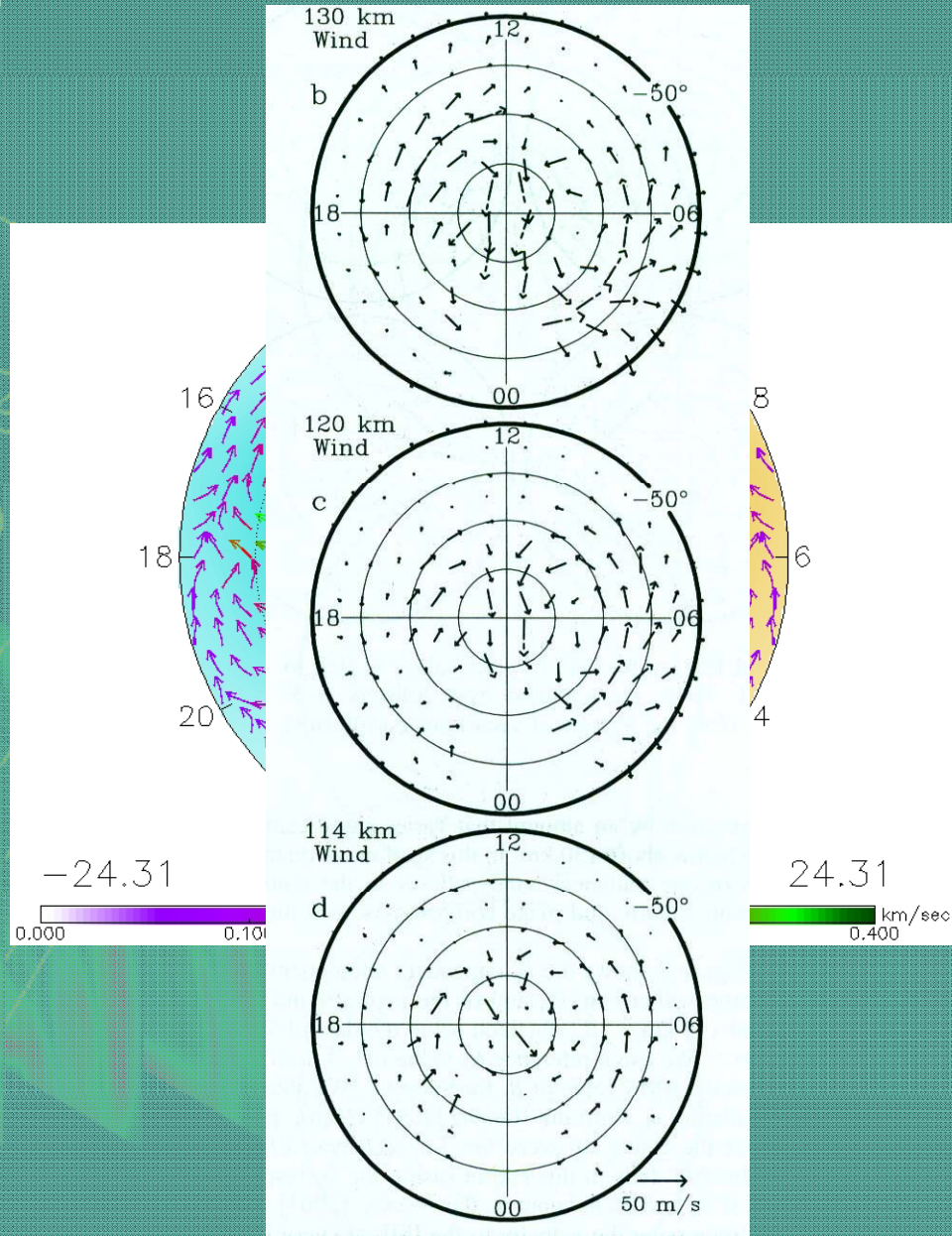
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i.e., roughly an order of magnitude bigger

# Atmospheric Reaction

- **Region 1 current gives the  $J$  in the  $J \times B$  force that stands off the solar wind**
- **And communicates the force to the ionosphere**
- **Which communicates it (amplified) to the neutral atmosphere as the flywheel effect**



Richmond et al., 2003

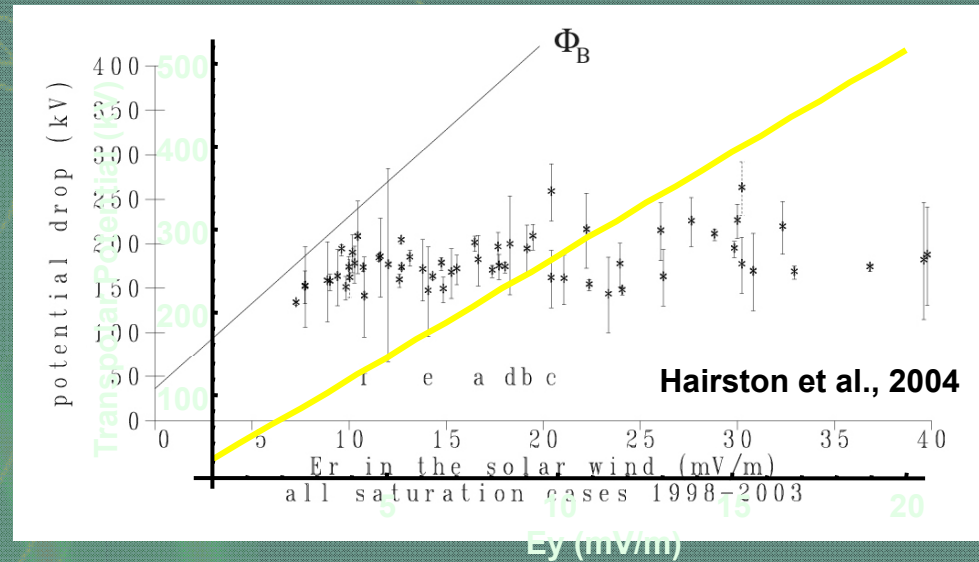


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# Transpolar Potential Saturation

Instead of this  
You have this



# The Hill SW-M-I Coupling Ansatz

$$\Phi_H = \frac{\Phi_R \Phi_I}{\Phi_R + \Phi_I}$$

Where:

$\Phi_H$  is the Hill transpolar potential.

$\Phi_R$  is the potential from magnetopause reconnection.

$\Phi_I$  is the potential at which region 1 currents generate .

a significant perturbation magnetic field at the reconnection site.

$$\Phi_R = \frac{57.6 E_{SW} F(\theta)}{P_{SW}^{1/6}}$$

Linear regime (small  $E_{SW}$ )

$$\Phi_I = \frac{4608 P_{SW}^{1/3}}{\xi \Sigma_o}$$

Saturation regime (big  $E_{SW}$ )

# Ridley (2007) Alfvén Wings

Electric field in Alfvén wings  
(Neubauer, 1980)

$$E_A = \frac{2\Sigma_A}{2\Sigma_A + \Sigma_P} E_{sw}$$

where

$$\Sigma_A = \frac{1}{\mu_o V_A \sqrt{1 + M_A^2}}$$

$$\Phi_A = E_A \pi R_{ms} \epsilon_r$$

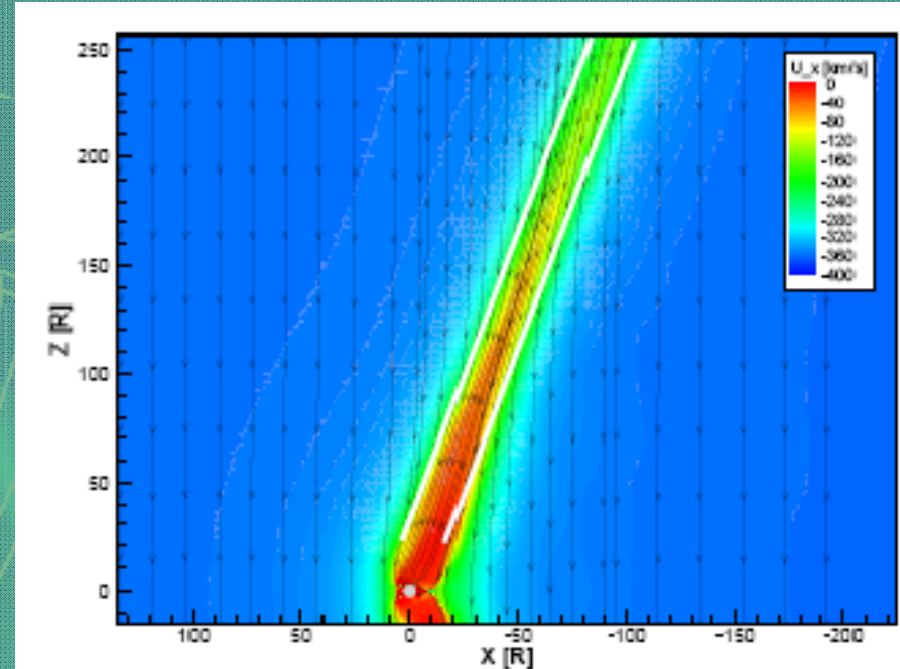
Extreme limit

$$\Phi_A = \frac{1300 P_{sw}^{1/3}}{\Sigma_P}$$

Compare Hill

$$\Phi_I = \frac{4608 P_{sw}^{1/3}}{\xi \Sigma_P}$$

The Hill model gives the Alfvén wing potential in the appropriate limit



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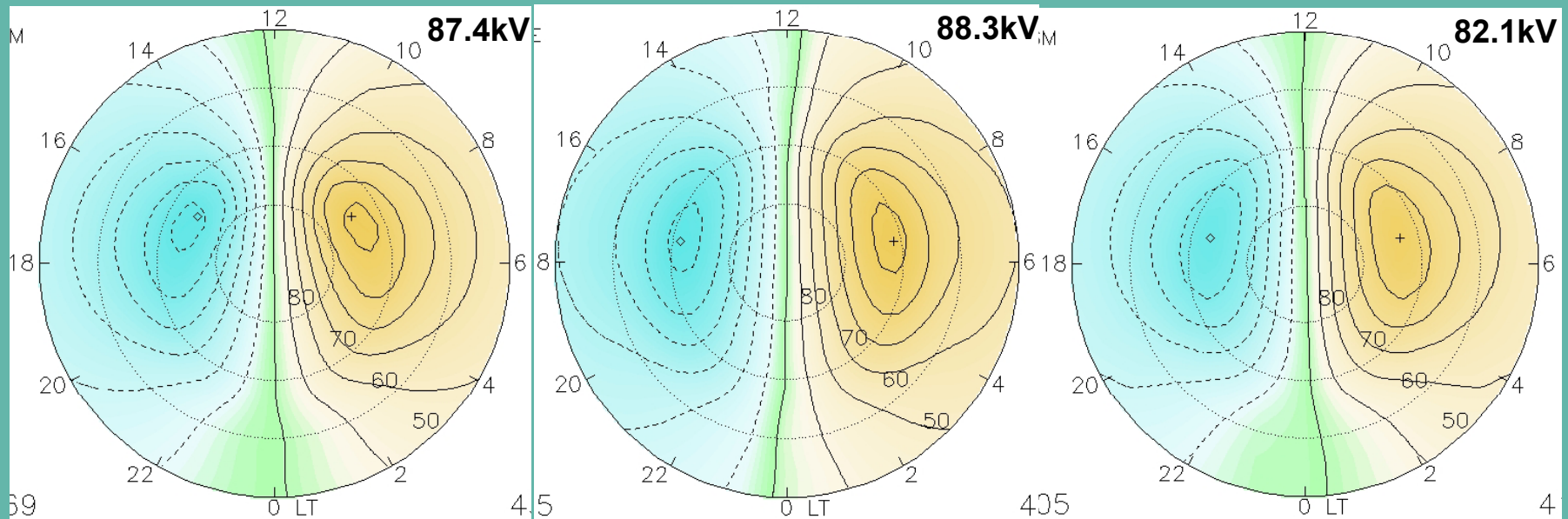
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  - **System-wide regulation of ionospheric conductance**
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# Weak Driving IMF Bz = -5 nT 6 to 1 Summer to Winter Conductances

Summer

Spring/Fall

Winter

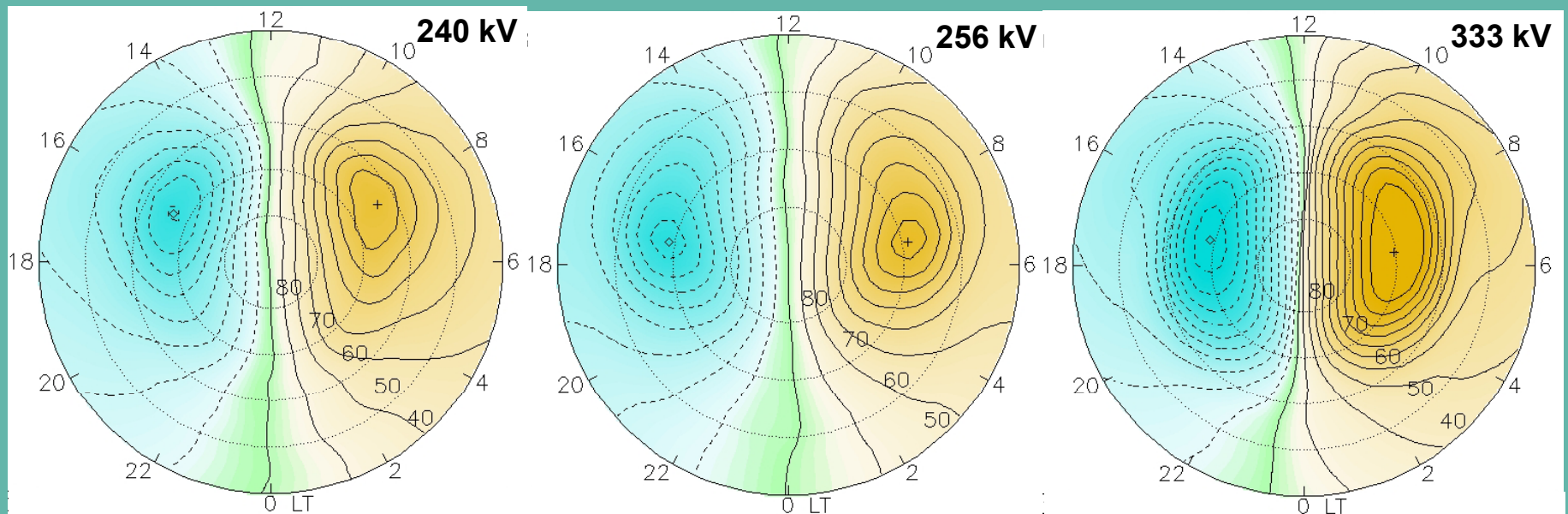


# Strong Driving IMF Bz = -30 nT 12 to 2 Summer to Winter Conductances

Summer

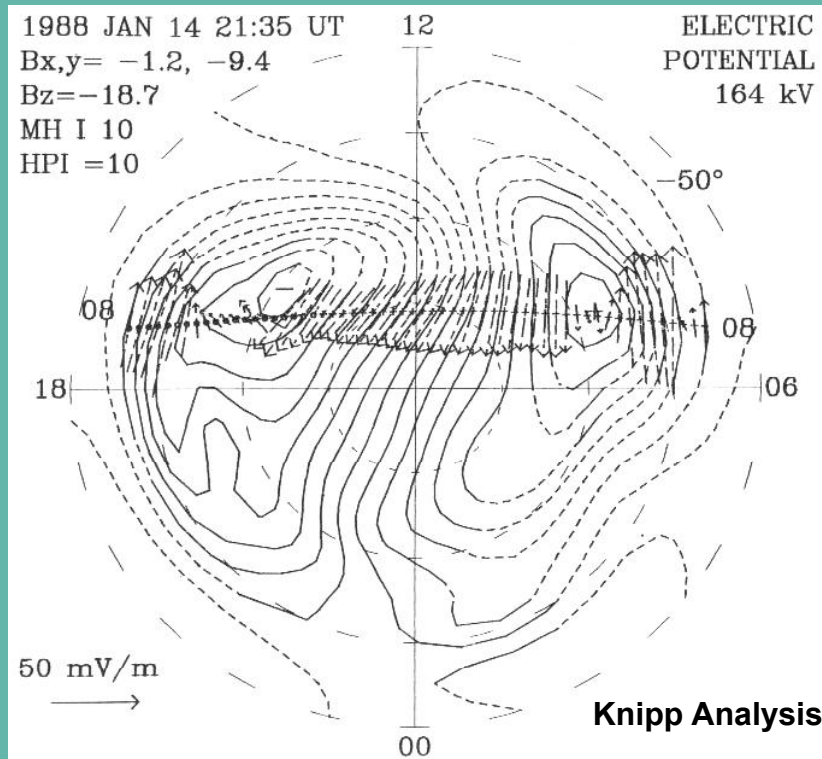
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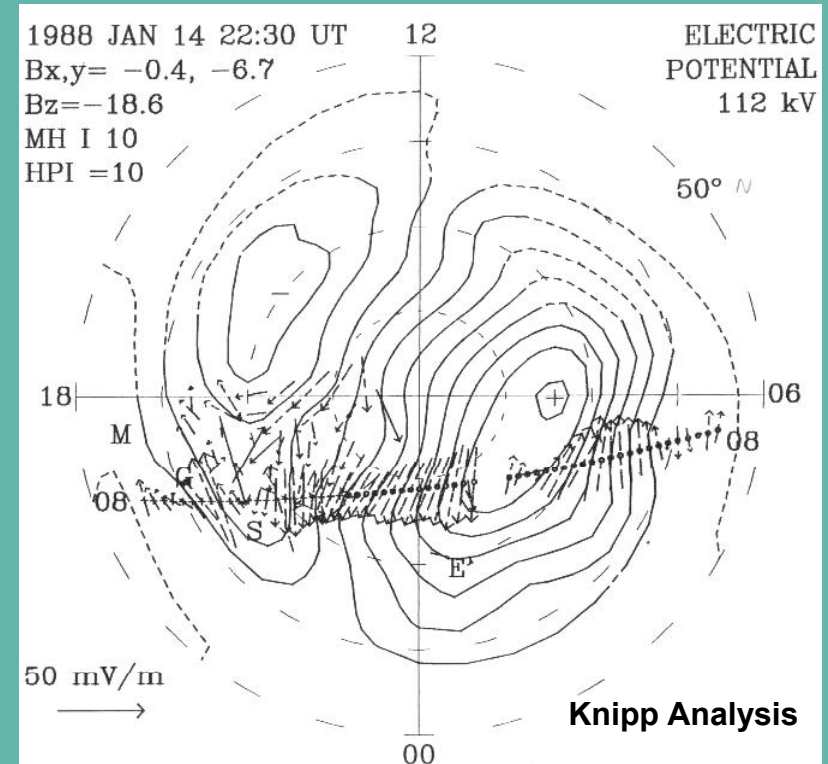


# Interhemispheric Comparison AMIE-Derived Potentials 1988 Jan 14 Storm

South/Summer



North/Winter



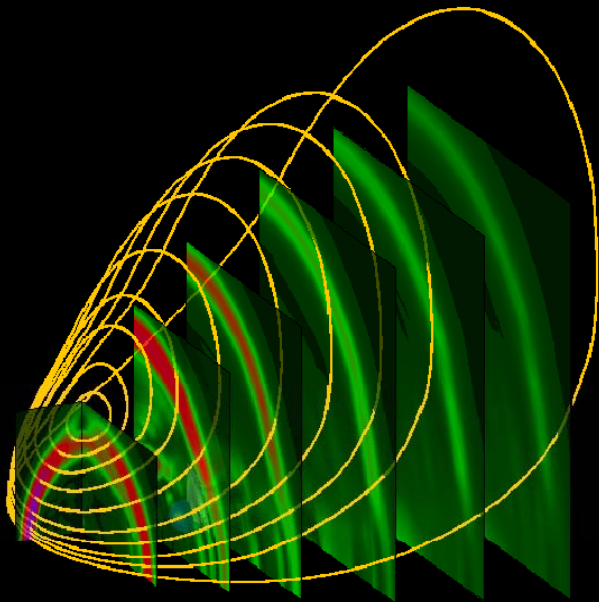
- Result: Counter to simulations, potential goes down in winter hemisphere!
- Inference: Reality (?) is like equal conductance case.



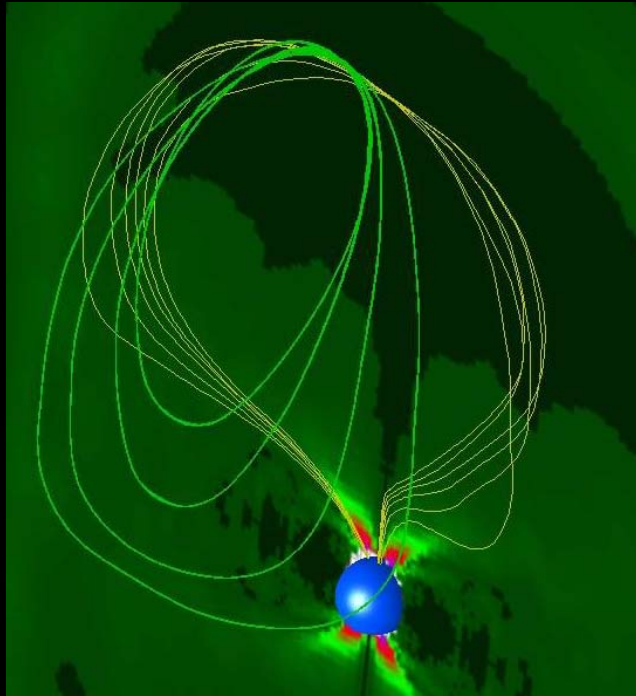
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  - Cusps migrate equatorward & reconnection dimple develops
  - Sawtooth substorms (TPE-analogs to CEMs?)
- **Force reversal and amplification**
- **Transpolar potential saturation**
- **System regulation of ionospheric conductance**

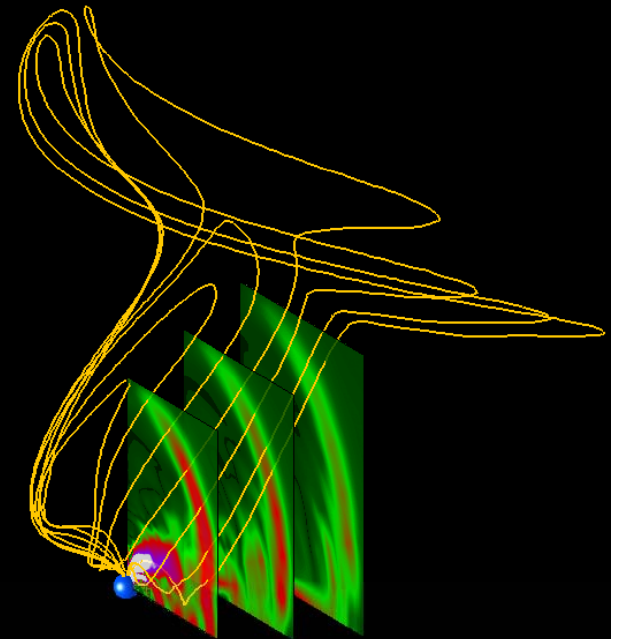
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