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Syowa update

- imaging radar still preparing....
- antenna maintenance
 better way to maintenance to reduce expedition members burden...
- current minor/major problems etc...

Iceland obs update

new mode with iqwrite

中緯度SDによるplasmapauseに関する観測

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SD research

- identify geophysical boundary regions
- mapping of geophysical regions only by SD Doppler spectrum data

cusp / LLBL

OCFLB / spectral width boundary

plasmapause?

SD P.P. research

Hokkaido

Progress report on Hokkaido HF radar

5. Study of ULF waves in the mid-latitude ionosphere

Observation of the **ULF waves near the P.P.** (~60° geomag. lat.) is very important in order to **monitor the plasmasphere**. Moreover, it is thought that the **ULF waves** play very important roles in **plasma heating and energy conversion processes in the I.M.** However, the continuous 2-D E obs. in this region is not fully operational. In this research topic, the **characteristic and dynamics in the plasmasphere** are studied by observing the ULF waves continuously over **subauroral to mid-lat. region** by the new radar, and the **unsolved problems of plasma heating and energy conversion process in the I.M.** are approached.

6. Study of the generation mechanisms of plasma irregularities in the mid-lat. ionosphere

lonospheric plasma irregularities are important in order for the HF radar to observe ionospheric backscatter echoes. Although it turns out that these irregularities may exist over a large latitudinal extent, many unknown points are left befind about their generation mechanisms. This research topic investigates the conditions of ionospheric irregularity generation from observation of ionospheric echoes, and aims at clarifying their generation mechanism.

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TIGER Research

Plasmapause Phenomena

The plasmapause is the outer boundary of the ionosphere-plasmasphere system, and like all boundaries in nature, it is a region where waves are generated, reflected and dissipated. Therefore the plasmapause plays an important role in controlling energy transfer from auroral latitudes to middle and equatorial latitudes. The region can be explored comprehensively by TIGER. SuperDARN radars are able to identify the electromagnetic structure of hydromagnetic resonances in the high-latitude ionosphere, but the occurrence in the region of the plasmapause has not been explored with this technique. Low latitude pulsations are thought to be generated by ULF energy that propagates in the fast wave mode from the magnetopause, through the plasma trough and across the plasmapause into the inner magnetosphere. Theoretical studies predict wave reflection points so that the fast mode wave is resonant in the magnetospheric cavity. These cavity/waveguide modes couple to localised field line resonances. TIGER will be used:

- * to search for evidence for these waveguide modes;
- * to differentiate between modes (i.e surface, cavity and field line resonance)

TIGER can obtain high spatial and time resolution measurements of the following phenomena:

- * the dynamics of the establishment of a new plasmapause boundary after substorm activity,
- * the evolution of the global plasmapause shape during plasma erosion and the formation of the boundary at a new location,
- * ULF wave signatures of the plasmapause. This includes studies of the field resonance mode with plasmapause dynamics and the investigation of plasmapause surface waves.

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US Research

Plasmapause Phenomena

FAI related to P.P. - TGI

Greenwald et al., GRL, 2006. Ruohoniemie et al., AGU 2009.

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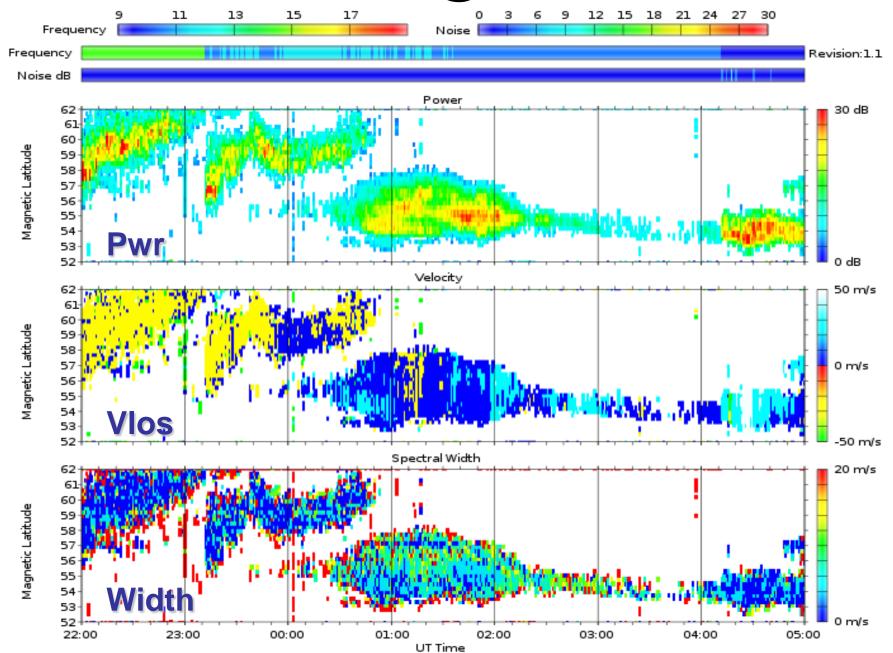


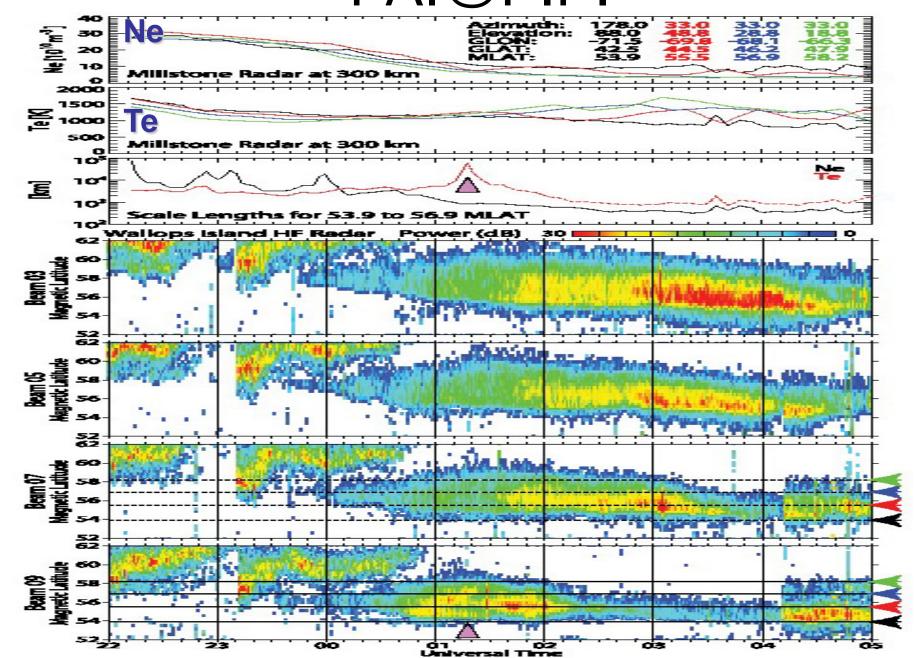
Identification of the temperature gradient instability as the source of decameter-scale ionospheric irregularities on plasmapause field lines

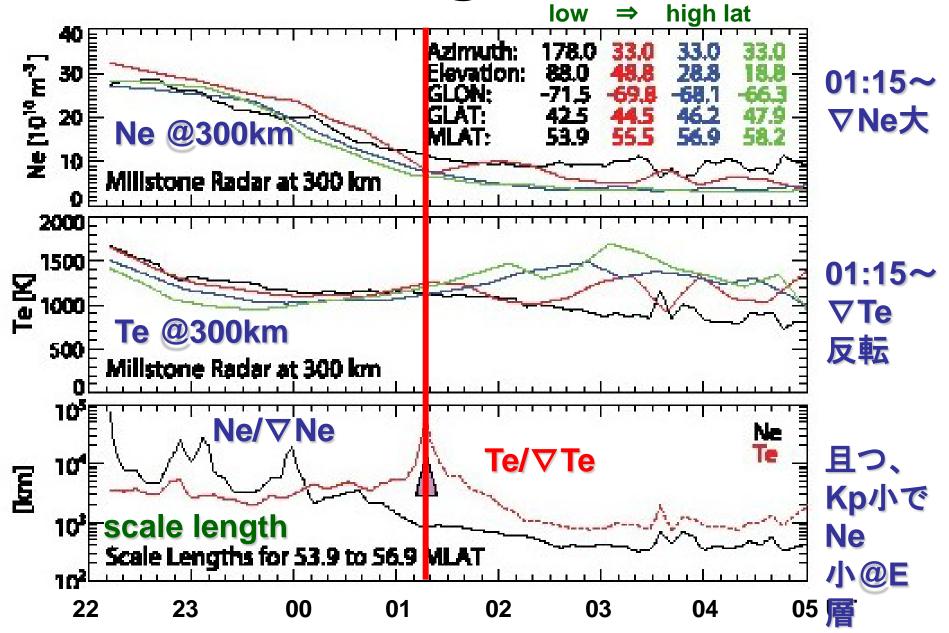
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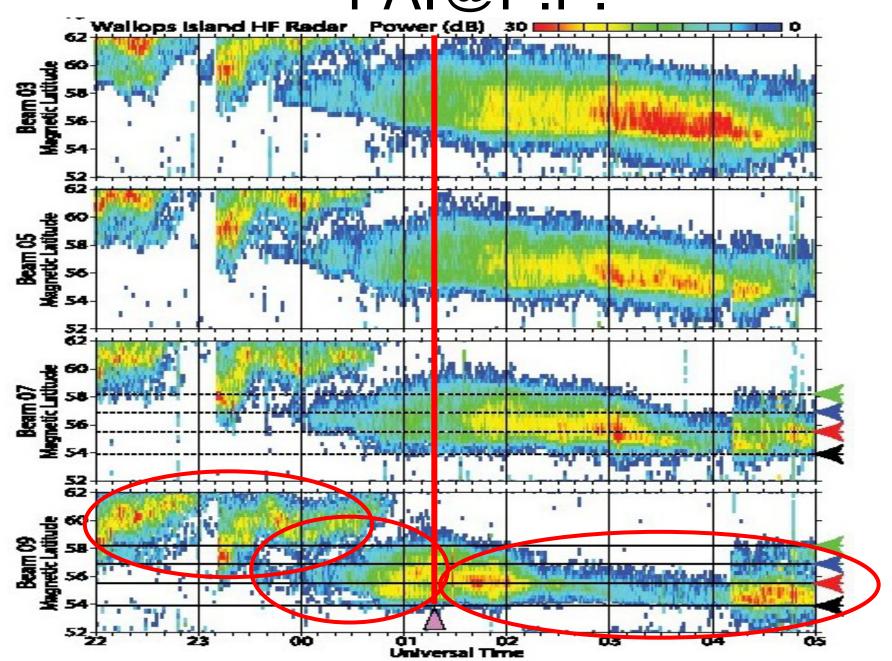
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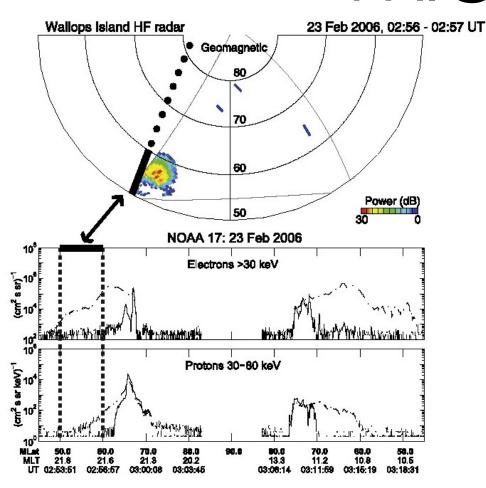
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NOAA17 & SD

high energy trapped particles

∇ density > 0

precipitated HE particles : rare

high-lat heat source is due to Coulomb collisions btw the mirroring energetic particles and cold ionospheric electrons.

Figure 2. Overflight of NOAA 17 adjacent to the field of view of the Wallops radar at \sim 0256 UT on 23 February 2006. The backscattered signals are observed from 54°< Λ <59° in a region where there is a positive poleward gradient in trapped energetic particle fluxes (indicated by dot-dashed lines). There are no discernible precipitating particle fluxes (solid lines) in this region.

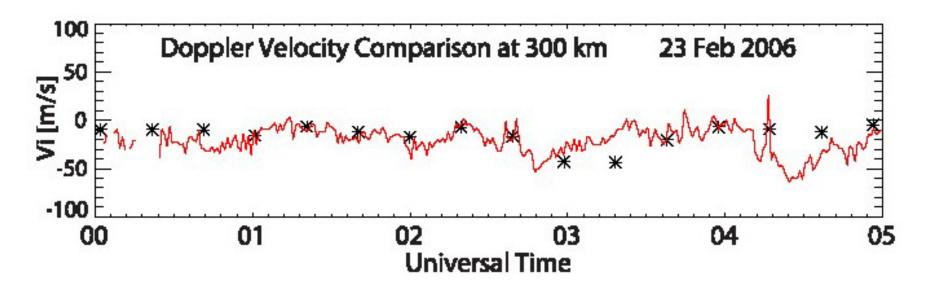


Figure 3. Comparison of irregularity Doppler velocities (red line) with plasma Doppler velocities (asterisks) at 300 km altitude for 00–05 UT on 23 February 2006.

Doppler velocity comparison btw SD vs Millstone Hill ISR fairly consistent!

SD data NOT ground scatter!

[1] Recent observations with the new mid-latitude Millstone Hill ISR & Wallops & NOAA C SuperDARN HF radar located at Wallops Island, Virginia P.P.でのFAI、Ne、Teを観測。 have identified a class of ionospheric irregularities that is prevalent in the nightside sub-auroral ionosphere under lowto-moderate Kp conditions. These irregularities can be observed for many hours and generally exhibit very low Doppler velocities. A recent collaborative experiment using the Wallops radar and the Millstone Hill incoherent scatter radar has determined that these irregularities are located at the ionospheric footprint of the plasmapause and in a region of opposed electron density and electron temperature gradients. We conclude that the irregularities are produced by the temperature gradient instability (TGI) or by turbulent cascade from primary irregularity structures produced from this instability. This is the first experimental confirmation that the TGI is effective in producing decameter-scale ionospheric irregularities. Citation: Greenwald, R. A., K. Oksavik, P. J. Erickson, F. D. Lind, J. M. Ruohoniemi, J. B. H. Baker, and J. W. Gjerloev (2006), Identification of the temperature gradient instability as the source of decameter-scale ionospheric irregularities on plasmapause field lines, Geophys. Res. Lett., 33, L18105, doi:10.1029/2006GL026581.

Iow~moderate Kp night – several hours low VLOS < 100 m/s (ground scatterとの区別が困難!!)

footprint of P.P. $(52^{\circ} < \Lambda < 59^{\circ})$ opposed ∇Ne⇔⊽Te TGI requirement!!! (Hudson and Kelley, 1976) (Yizengaw & Moldwin, 2005)

TGI (temp. grad. instability, within general class of collisional drive wave instabilities) or tubulent cascade from primary irregularity stductures (by TGI)

First experimental confirmation of decameter-scale ionospheric FAI effectively produced by TGI

●P.P. 近傍でTeがLと共に増大する理由

- 1. Coulomb collisions btw thermal electrons & mirroring energetic electrons or ions on the inner edge of the proton ring current.
- 2. Landau damping of electromagnetic ion cyclotron waves again located on the inner edge of the proton ring current [Cornwall et al., 1971]
- 3. coolong of thermal electrons on the plasmasphere side of the gradient through molecular conduction.
- •3rd process: significant after sunset (indicated by the declining electron temperatures on the zenith antenna of the Millstone Hill ISR).

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AGU 2009 fall meeting

M. Ruohoniemi – TGIのglobalな統計的分布

★Ground scatterとの区別
Vlosの特徴的な変化のみで可能か?
Spectral width etcに特徴は?

★how to identify the location of P.P. (only by SD)? deduce Ne distribution/variation along L using ULF/FLR

SD ULF

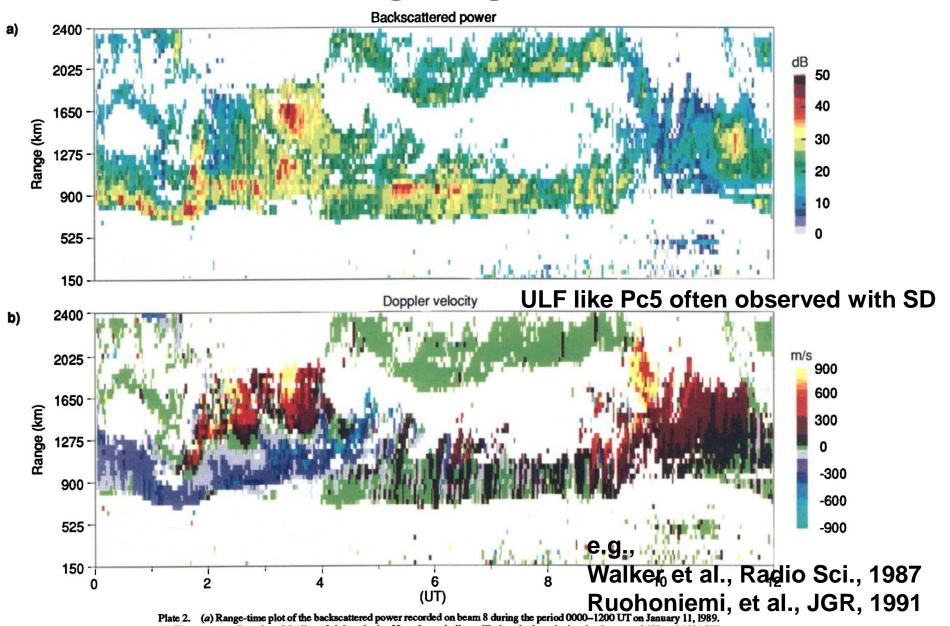
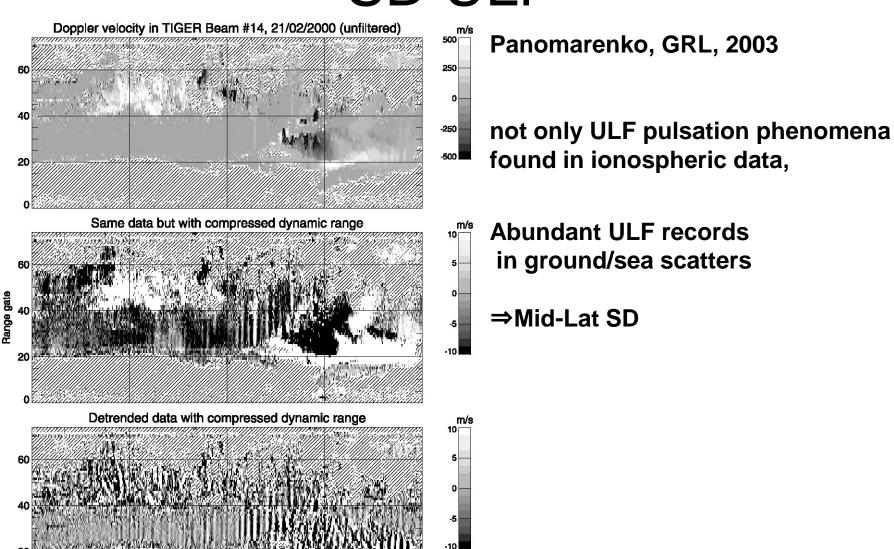


Plate 2. (a) Range-time plot of the backscattered power recorded on beam 8 during the period 0000-1200 UT on January 11, 1989. (b) The corresponding plot of the line of sight velocity. Note the periodic oscillations in the velocity sign between 0400 and 0900 UT in the 650-1150 km range interval.

SD ULF



10 UT 12

Hermanus Magnetic Observatory, http://www.hmo.ac.za

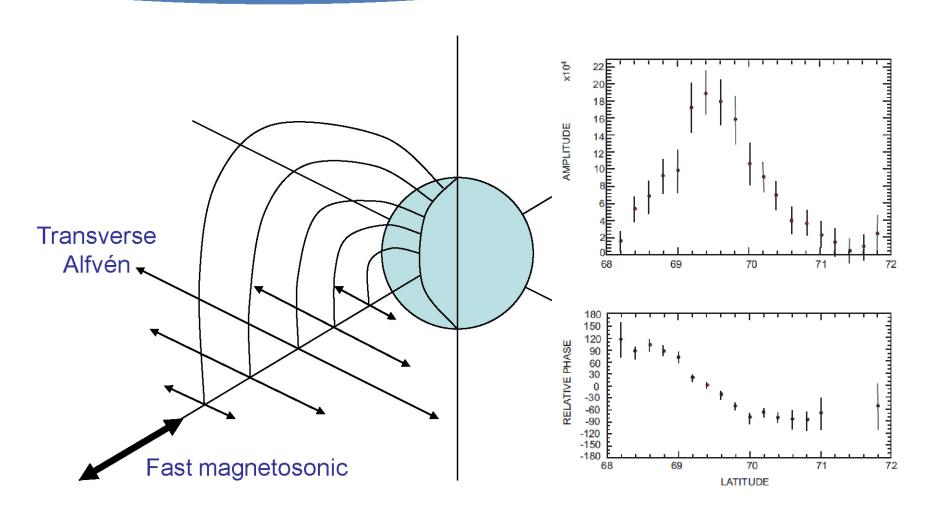


Realtime magnetospheric plasma densities from observations of Pc5 pulsations in SD data

Lindsay Magnus – <u>magnus@hmo.ac.za</u> SuperDARN Workshop - 2009

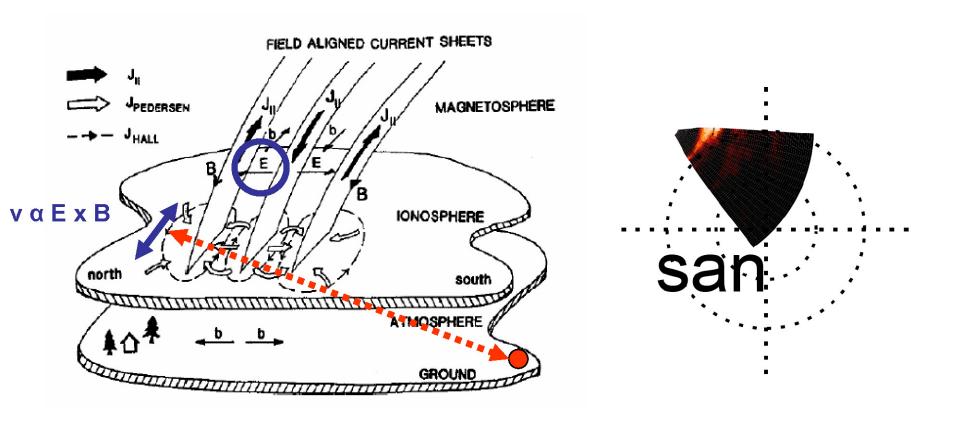
Pulsation characteristics What is FLR?





Pulsation characteristics What does the radar see?



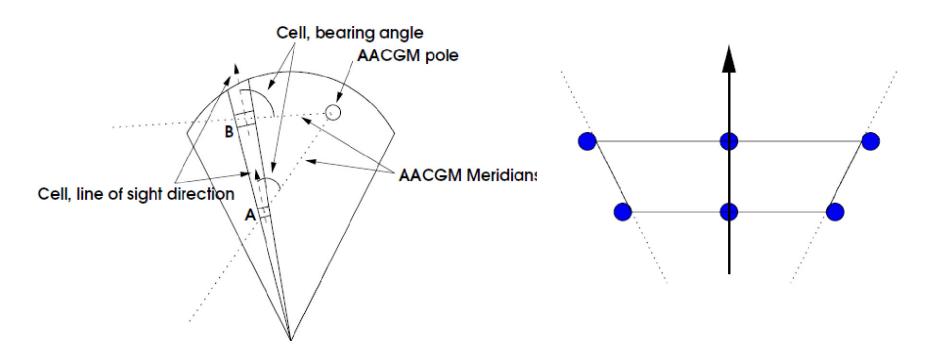


FLR characteristics can only be observed in beams that are directed east-west

 $v_{radar} = v \cdot LoS$

Magnetic bearing Definition

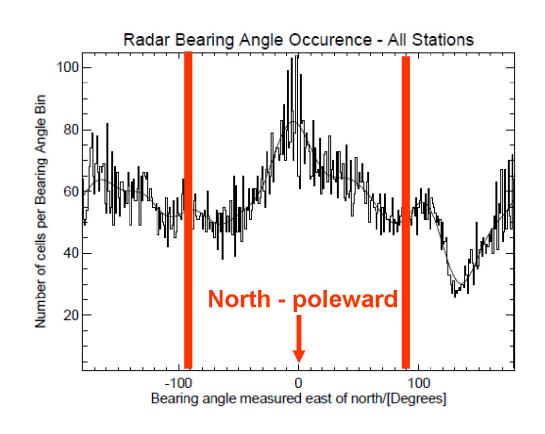




The magnetic bearing can be calculated for each cell in the network. The velocity that is measured by the radar is then the dot product of the bearing of the cell and the direction of the plasma motion.

Magnetic bearing SuperDARN characterisitics



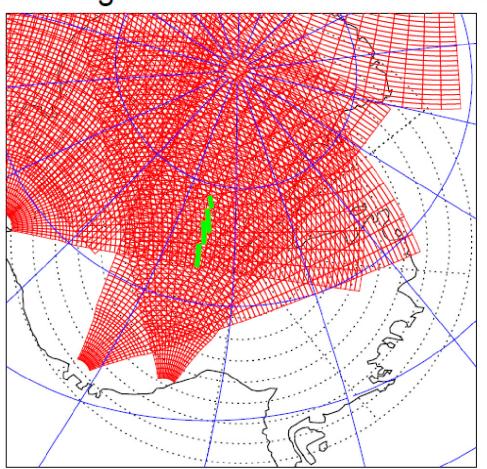


Most of the cells in the network are directed poleward (north or south) meaning that they are not suited for FLR observations

Magnetic bearing Suitable cells in the network



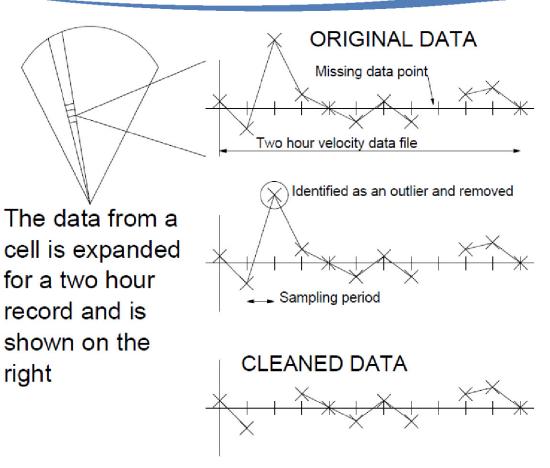
Matching cells for AACGM Lon= 31°

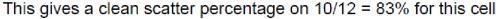


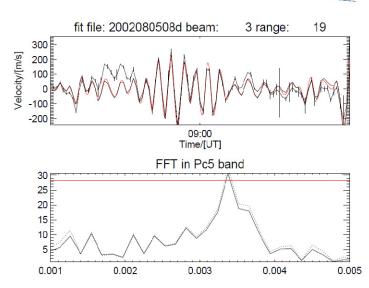
There are only a few cells in the network that will satisfy the strict bearing conditions to only observe the Transverse Aflven part of the pulsation. Further most of these cells are inside the OCFB which makes them useless for FLR observations.

Pulsation finder How it works





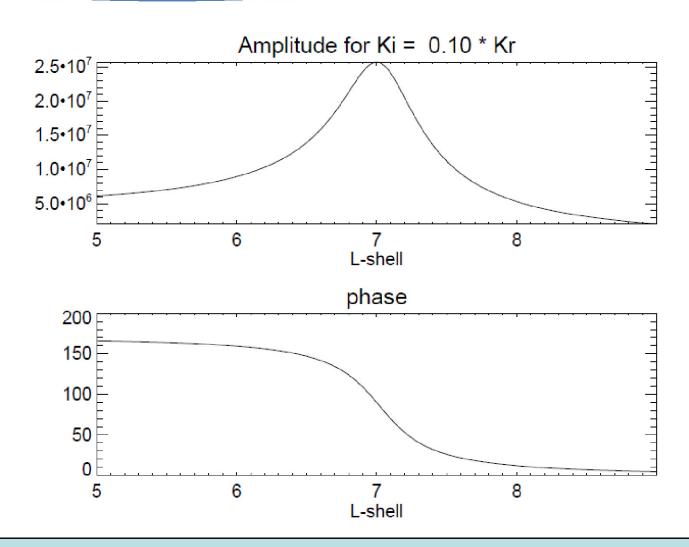




Each cell in the network produces a two hour record of Doppler velocity data that are tested to determine if there is a periodic signal present with a peak in the Pc5 band. This is an automated process.

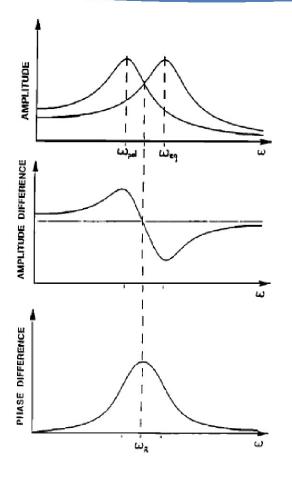
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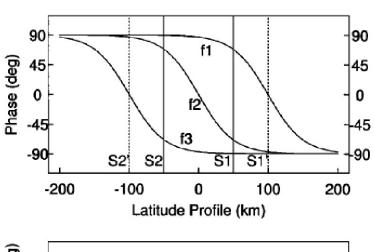


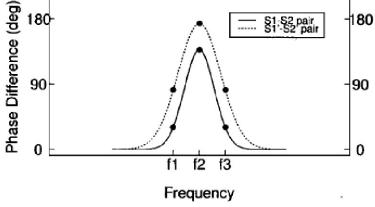
Cross phase analysis





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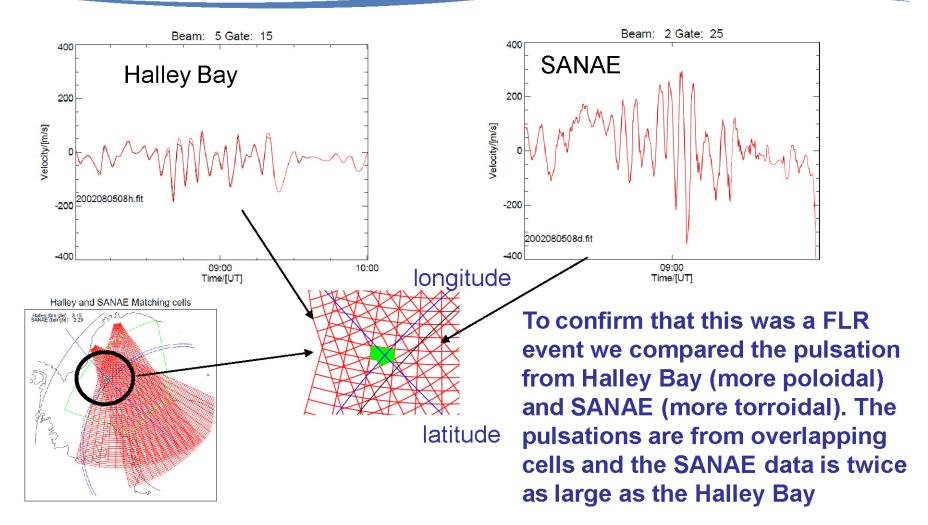




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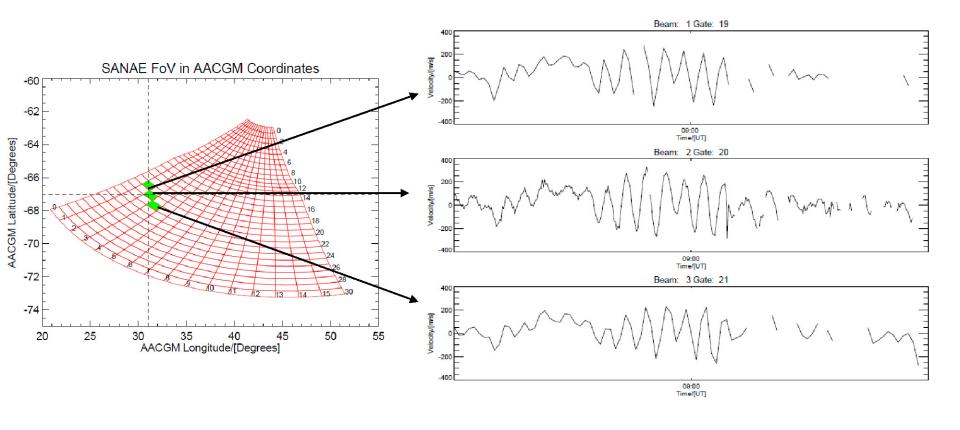
Results A FLR event





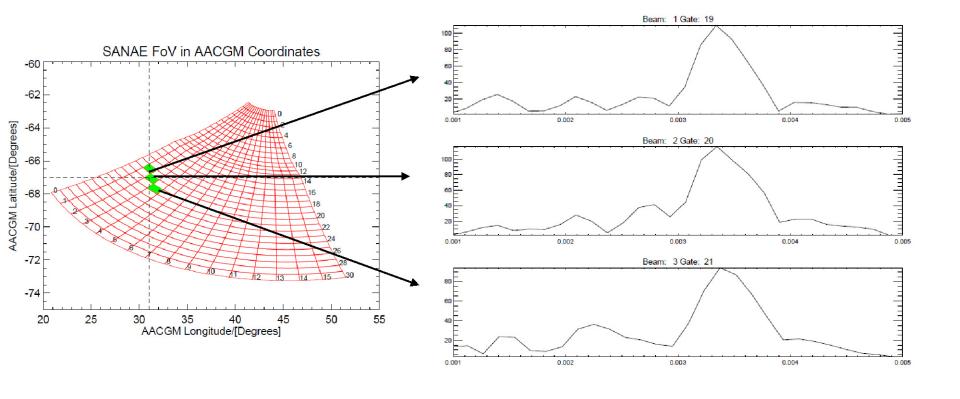
Which cells to process?





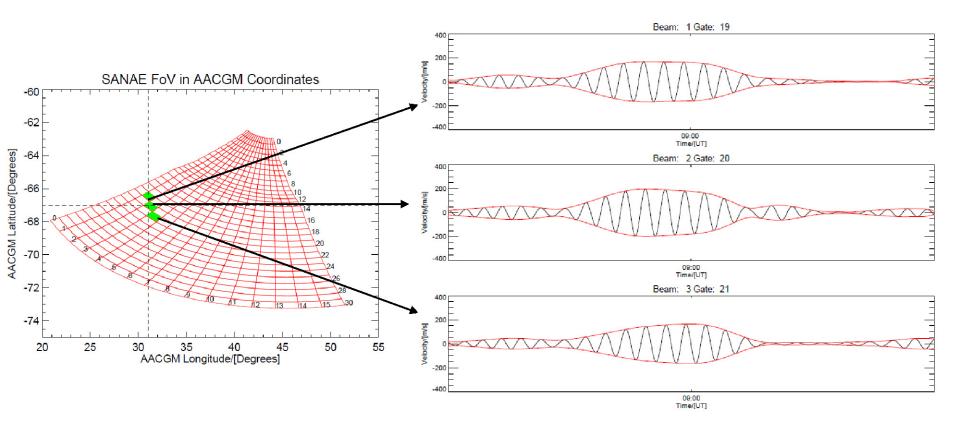
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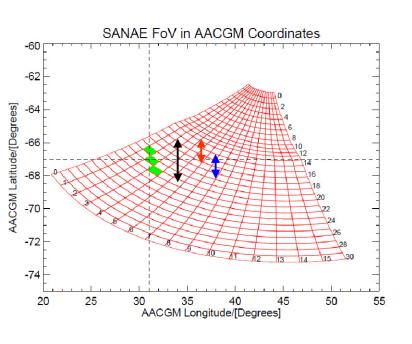
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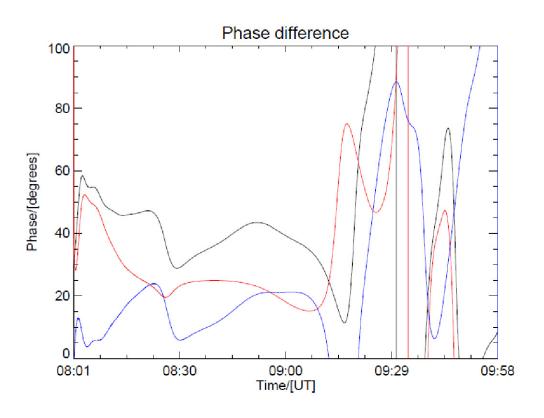




Cross phase

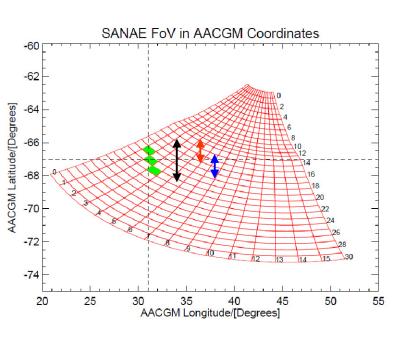


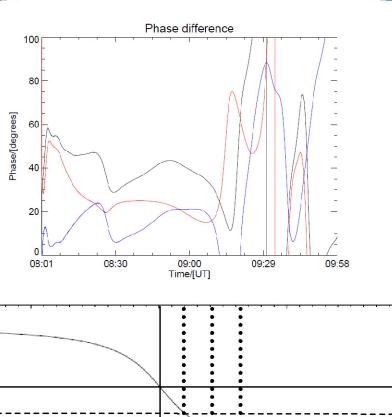




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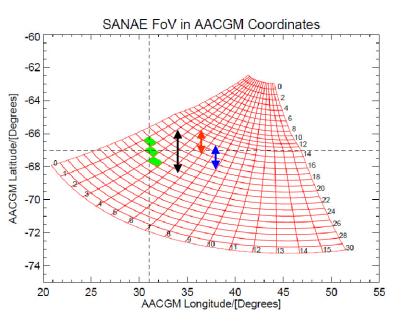


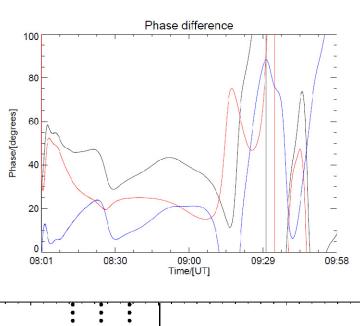


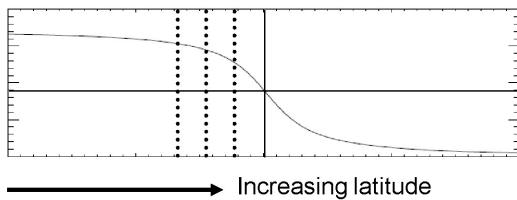
→ Increasing latitude

Cross phase









The phase difference tells us that these cells are poleward of the resonoance

Real-time implementation



- 1. Decide on which cells should be used for detecting resonance;
 - 1. equatorward of the OCFB
 - 2. have a bearing of 90
 - 3. lie on a line of magnetic longitude
- 2. Set the pulsation finder to scan each of these cells to determine if a pulsation is present
- 3. Calculate the cross phase spectra and determine the resonant frequencies if possible
- 4. Use a magnetic field model to infer the plasma densities for the field lines

- ★how to identify the location of P.P. (only by SD)? deduce Ne distribution/variation along L using ULF/FLR
- ⇒北海道レーダー等mid-latSDで ULF(Pc5 etc)/FLR/P. P. やりましょう。

まずは、ULFデータ(のevents)探しから

九大河野氏とSD2010目標に始めつつあります。 ERG...

大学間連携関連

-2/26 大学間連携:

<mark>2/25 Thu!</mark> 「SuperDARN/EISCAT/れいめい衛星データ解析講習会」 SuperDARNは、英国Leicester大Adrian Groccot氏を招き、 データ解析ソフトの講習会を行います。

-2/27 EISCAT研究集会 2/26 Fri!

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