# Global distribution of ULF waves during magnetic storms:

# Comparison of Arase, ground observations and BATSRUS+CRCM simulation

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## **Radiation belt in the Earth's magnetosphere**





- Relativistic electron fluxes in the outer radiation belt exhibit the dynamic activity of magnetic storms.
- Enhancement of high-energy electrons in the radiation belt
  - → When? Where? How?

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Akebono satellite, > 2.5 MeV



## **Electron acceleration: Non-adiabatic vs. Adiabatic**



#### acceleration of MeV electrons

- 1. Internal acceleration (non-adiabatic): plasma waves (chorus waves)
  - → local acceleration by wave-particle interactions with whistler-mode chorus waves
- External supply (adiabatic): MHD waves (ULF waves)
  → radial diffusion by ULF waves with periods of a few minutes

← target of this study

## **Pc5 ULF** waves = **Possible** energy reservoir

- Frequency range: 1.6 6.7 mHz
  ⇔ Period: 150 600 s
- produce a radial diffusion of energetic particles



### classification of Pc5 pulsations [Ukhorskiy et al., 2009]

		Externally driven (solar wind driven)		Internally driven (storm-time Pc5)
	driver	compression by solar wind	Kelvin-Helmholtz instability	ring current plasma by substorm injection
	dominant component	toroidal (B <sub>phi</sub> & E <sub>r</sub> )		poloidal (Br & E <sub>phi</sub> )
azimuthal wave number		low (≦10)		high (~40–120)
	relate to	solar wind dynamic pressure	bulk velocity of solar wind	substorm activity (AE index)
	from ground magnetometers		cannot be seen	

## **Global distribution of ULF waves**





- The occurrence characteristics of ULF waves (i.e., dependence on SW parameters) have been statistically examined with ground and space observations [e.g., K. Takahashi et al., 2012].
- Temporal variations in the global distribution of ULF waves during a specific storm event have not been extensively studied with observations or simulation.

The comprehensive study using observations and numerical simulations makes essential and significant contributions.

## Purpose

We compare the ULF wave activity during the specific storm between the simulation and the observation.

### <u>1. 'Local' comparison</u> MHD+RC model vs. direct measurement

 Can the simulation reproduce specific ULF waves observed by the Arase satellite?

### 2. 'Global' comparison MHD+RC model vs. ground observations

- Can the simulation reproduce the global activity of ULF waves?
  - → So far, we compare with the global activity derived from the ground magnetic field data.

### 27 March 2017 storm: CIR-type storm



## **BATSRUS+CRCM**

[coupling method: Buzulukova et al., 2010; Glocer et al., 2013]

**Global magnetosphere: ideal MHD** 



## **Initial condition**

### Simulation box size

- 32 R<sub>E</sub> (upstream)~224 R<sub>E</sub> (downstream)
- cartesian grid: finest: 0.25 R<sub>E</sub> in the inner magnetosphere (|x, y, z| ≤ 15 R<sub>E</sub>)

### Solar wind input condition

- Only IMF Bx is fixed (average).
- The dipole tilt is included (~5.09° in X-Z plane).

### **Boundary**





## Global distribution (@Z=0 plane, +/- 15 R<sub>E</sub>)



total pressure & flow velocity



ULF wave power in toroidal component (B<sub>phi</sub>)



## Global distribution (@Z=0 plane, +/- 15 R<sub>E</sub>)



(upper) total pressure & flow velocity

(lower) integrated power in B<sub>phi</sub> (toroidal component): over Pc5 frequency range

- asymmetric distribution of total pressure
  - $\rightarrow$  corresponds to the partial ring current
- a four-packet structure of ULF wave power during the early recovery phase
  - $\rightarrow$  Low-*m* ULF waves (*m*~4) = external-driven ULF waves

## 'Local' comparison: Simulation vs. The Arase satellite



The simulation can reproduce the enhancement of ULF waves in *B*<sub>phi</sub> (frequency: 2-3 mHz). → consistent with Arase

- smaller amplitude of ULF waves  $\rightarrow$  large numerical dissipation
- different characteristics of wave power in  $B_{\parallel}$  (waveform: similar)
  - → different magnetic field configuration due to the Cartesian grid
- No higher-frequency waves
  - $\rightarrow$  low temporal resolution of solar wind input parameters

\*background: 15-min running average

## 'Global' comparison: Simulation vs. GMAG



- GMAG location: MLAT = 54° 68°
  → roughly corresponds to L = 3.5 7.0 at the magnetospheric equatorial plane
- We calculated the root-integrated power (RIP) [Claudepierre et al., 2016].

$$RIP = \left[ \int_{f_{low}}^{f_{high}} PSD(f)df \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

 $f_{low}$ =0.016 Hz  $f_{high}$ =0.067 Hz PSD: power spectral density

- The calculated RIP of ULF waves is normalized by 3-h average during the pre-storm time.
  - → especially focus on the relative activity level

## 'Global' comparison: Relative ULF activity



The simulated ULF wave activity is strongly affected by the solar wind dynamic pressure.

### Pc5-range ULF wave activity

	simulation	GMAG
main	high	high
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recovery	(relatively) IOW	high
relate to	pressure	pressure + <u>V<sub>sw</sub> &amp; AE</u>

The ULF wave activity on the ground may include the effects of the KH instability and/or substorms.

\* ULF wave intensity: normalized by 3-h average during the pre-storm

## **Question:**

## What type of ULF waves can BATSRUS+CRCM reproduce?

### classification of Pc5 pulsations

	Externally driven		Internally driven				
driver	compression by solar wind	Kelvin-Helmholtz instability	ring current plasma by substorm injection				
relate to	solar wind dynamic pressure	bulk velocity of solar wind	AE index (substorm activity)				
Answer: only driven by the compression of the magnetosphere by the solar wind							

Kelvin-Helmholtz instability

- large numerical dissipation in BATSRUS+CRCM
- If the grid resolution is <u>partially</u> increased, KHI will be seen in the model. cf. LFM global model [Claudepierre et al., 2007]: partially increase at the flank (0.125 RE)

### **Substorm injection**

• The bounce-averaged approach may miss short-time scale phenomena [Glocer et al., 2013]

## Summary

## 1. BATSRUS+CRCM can qualitatively reproduce ULF waves observed by the Arase satellite.

### **Discrepancy between the simulation and the observation**

- The amplitude of simulated magnetic field is underestimate.
  → mainly due to a large numerical dissipation in BATSRUS+CRCM code
- Higher frequency waves (10–30 mHz) cannot be reproduced.
  - $\rightarrow$  low temporal resolution of input parameters (~1 min)

## 2. BATSRUS+CRCM is suitable for Pc5 ULF waves driven by the compression of the magnetosphere by the solar wind.

#### Comparing with the ULF wave activity on the ground

• The ground ULF wave activity may include KH instabilities and/or substorm activities.

### **Contribution to the study using SuperDARN**

- The global map of ionospheric flows can be easily derived from SuperDARN.
  - → Comparison of the global map between in the ionosphere and in the magnetosphere helps us for the further understanding the energy transfer during the magnetic storm.

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