



Initial results of the Fall 2023 SuperDARN-Arase conjunction campaign: SAPS and related magnetospheric features

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Intro.: Subauroral Polarization Streams (SAPS)

SAPS:

- A fast westward flow formed during geomagnetically disturbed times over midnight to dusk in the subauroral ionosphere [e.g., Foster and Burke, 2002]
- SAPS can appear at mid-latitudes during very disturbed times such as magnetic storms [e.g., Oksavik+2006, Kataoka+2008].





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Intro.: SAPS E-field and particle boundaries as seen in the equatorial magnetosphere on dusk



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Intro.:

SAPS wave structure (SAPSWS): dynamically varying SAPS





Intro.: What causes SAPSWS seen by SDs?







Possible drive mechanisms that have been proposed are:

- Driven coherent wave: via drift resonance [e.g., James+2013]
 - Bump-on-tail distribution? (∂f / ∂W > 0)
 - radially inward gradient of phase space density (∂f / ∂L <0)</p>
- Not coherent wave:
 - Pressure bumps by multi-injections [e.g., Hori+2018]
 - SAPS wave structure (SAPSWS) [e.g., Mishin+2003, Makarevich+2014]

Our approach: Arase–SuperDARN campaign observations



Some researchers and SD PIs in Japan conducted campaign observations with SD and Arase in Fall 2022 and 2023. Well coordinated campaigns have achieved a dozen (even more?) of good conjunction observations.







2023 Fall SuperDARN-Arase campaign observations



Campaign observations: several days / month

- SuperDARN: operated with interleaved normal scan
- Arase: MEP-i and LEP-i operated with the normal mode (3-D flux distri.)



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Event 3: Oct. 21



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Arase missed this beautiful flow complex...







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Event 5: Dec. 14



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Summary and conclusions

- The SuperDARN–Arase campaign has successfully been carried out during Oct–Dec, 2023, achieving many interesting events in terms of SAPS-related studies, as well as those for ULF waves.
- Currently we push ourselves hard to examine the observations obtained to see how dynamically SAPS varies and evolves.

Tentative conclusions:

- SAPS with WS and SAPS without WS.
- > SAPSWS appears in association with energetic particle injections, dipolarization, ...
- Velocity fluctuations of SAPS propagate westward, while its counter part, eastward flow on dawn, may also be accompanied by eastward-propagating velocity fluctuation.
- None of fluctuations penetrate further inward of the SAPS region.