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Unveiling Jovian Magnetospheric Dynamics: Recent Insights from Radio Emission and Magnetic Field Perturbation Studies

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Space Environment of Giant Planets



Bagenal et al. 2017

Zarka et al. 2001ab

Solar wind and internally driven cycles



Vasyliunas 1983

Magnetic reconnection can occur at the dayside magnetodisk





(Guo et al., 2019)

(Xu et al., 2021)

Saturn aurora driven by both solar wind and internal geological processes



Jovian aurora driven by material released from lo



Two acceleration mechanisms for auroral electrons



Jovian auroral response to solar wind compression





Bonfond et al. 2020

Solar wind compression may reduce corotation breakdown enforcement current, but the auroral precipitation associated with Poynting flux may be strongly enhanced.



Yao et al., 2022

10/10 compression events show global auroral enhancements

Complex magnetic field structure of Jupiter

(Zhang et al. 2021)



- Day side reconnection rate is too low to generate an Earth-like polar cap with open magnetic field lines on the time scale of the planet's rotation
- A small crescent-shaped polar cap and the formation of open magnetic field lines on the dusk side
- Most of Jupiter's polar cap is passed through by helical closed magnetic field lines

A unified framework for global auroral morphologies of different planets



(Zhang et al., 2024)

Asymmetry: Dusk side cusp region



Cyclotron maser instability



(Collet et al. 2024)

HOM source

CMI emissions as a proxy of auroral activity

- SKR excited by the auroral precipitating electrons via cyclotron maser instability (CMI) (Wu and Lee, 1979).
- Good correlation between 10-h averaged SKR power and auroral UV brightness level.



Jovian radio emissions



- Closely related to particle and energy transport
- Low frequency radio components: QP, nKOM, bKOM, HOM and DAM

(Zarka, 1998, 2004; Kurth et al., 1989; Gurnett et al., 1983; Kaiser and Desch, 1980)

• bKOM auroral field lines; nKOM outer edge of Io plasma torus

(Kurth et al., 1980; Ladreiter et al., 1994; Reiner et al., 1993)

Jovian radio emissions response to solar wind







(Yao et al., 2022)

• HOM triggered by interplanetary shock

(Gurnett et al., 2002)

 non-Io DAM preferably observed during solar wind compression, intensity increasing with dynamic pressure

(Hess et al., 2012)

HOM and non-Io DAM significantly enhanced during solar wind compression

(Yao et al., 2022)

bKOM observation w/wo solar wind compression



Compressed magnetosphere 50 Hz-140 kHz spectrogram White line fce Uncompressed magnetosphere 50 Hz-140 kHz spectrogram White line fce

bKOM duration and frequency range increase during compression



- Longer duration and larger frequency range of bKOM during solar wind compression events.
- The bKOM source extended in altitude and longitude

Jovian soft X-ray aurora

- Driven by precipitating ions pitch-angle scattered by EMIC • waves into the loss cone.
- Tens of minutes periodicity
- EMIC waves modulated by the compressional waves

Brightness

 (\mathbf{R})

30.0

20.0

10.0

Potential drop?

(100s keV)



Interval #3

(Yao et al., 2021)

Interval #1

Chandra Jupiter X-rays - December 18, 2000



Compressional waves in Jovian plasma sheet boundary layer



Jovian aurora and Alfven waves



Correlation of Jovian radio and ULF waves

2016-08-22 (235) 11:00 to 21:00

at giant planets.

- Solar wind compression enhances planetary auroral emissions, suggesting the Alfvenic waves are probably the major contributors for planetary aurorae
- Perturbation caused by the solar wind modifies/modulates the properties of the plasma within the magnetosphere.
- Non-thermal distributions in the plasma provide energy for the generation of radio emissions and plasma waves.
- Radio emissions and auroras offer mutually complementary observational insights, revealing spatial-temporal dynamics of energy dissipation in polar regions of Jupiter.

Radio Arrays in China

NSSC Daocheng Solar Space Weather 150-450 MHz

NAO Tianlai Cosmo 400-1500 MHz

NAO QUEST Pulsars FRB 1050-1450MHz

Thank you!

