

[EE] Evening Poster | P (Space and Planetary Sciences) | P-EM Solar-Terrestrial Sciences, Space Electromagnetism & Space Environment

[P-EM15]Dynamics in magnetosphere and ionosphere

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This session provides an opportunity to present recent results from satellite and ground-based observations and theoretical and simulation studies on the magnetosphere, ionosphere, and their coupling system. We invite contributions dealing with various phenomena related to the magnetosphere-ionosphere system: solar wind-magnetosphere interaction, magnetosphere-ionosphere convection, field-aligned current, magnetic storms/substorms, neutral-plasma interaction, ionospheric ion inflow and outflow, aurora phenomena, and so forth. Discussions on planetary and satellite ionosphere and magnetospheres, future missions and instrument developments are also welcome.

[PEM15-P09]Nightside Ultra-Low-Frequency waves observed in the topside ionosphere by the DEMETER satellite

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We study Ultra-Low-Frequency waves (ULF) at frequencies 17-100 mHz observed in the topside ionosphere by the DEMETER satellite in a ~5-year period from January 2006 to November 2010. Our results show that two types of ULF oscillations occur on the nightside in the L<2 region. These two kinds of ULF oscillations are separated based on cross-covariance analysis between electric field in the DC/ULF range and electron density. Type I ULF oscillations, accompanied by electron density perturbations (average $|\Delta N_e/N_e| > 5\%$), are found to lag behind density variations; and the longitudinal distribution of type I ULF oscillations is quite similar to the distribution of plasma irregularities at solar minimum. These signatures suggest that type I ULF oscillations are related to plasma irregularities that are common phenomena in the nightside F region ionosphere. The characteristics of type II ULF oscillations (without significant electron density perturbations) agree well with those features of mid-latitude ionospheric electric field fluctuations, which are not thought to be related to magnetospheric origins.