

Topside ionospheric response to geomagnetic storms: multi-instrumental observations

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Unusual topside ionospheric density response to the November 2003 superstorm

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[1] We use observations including ionosonde receivers, magnetometer (ACE), to examine the 2003 superstorm. On 20 November 2003 storms. While ground-based TEC, the low-Earth orbit dayside TEC enhancement ground-based GPS observations that the ionospheric F-layer also showed that the orbiting height of GPS magnetometer equator which may be due to a large amount of energy that data from LEOS

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Observations of the ionospheric response to the 15 December 2006 geomagnetic storm: Long-duration positive storm effect

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[1] The long-duration 2006 is investigated (GPS) total electron content (TEC) observations from the Climate (COSMOS) the ionospheric altitude regions. The ionosphere/plasmasphere midlatitudes over the phase from 0000 to 0600 UTC. The ionosphere/plasmasphere enhancement the profiles obtained peak height increase soft particle precipitation ionosphere/plasmasphere remain present in the 15 December. The GPS TEC and the ionosphere/plasmasphere long-lasting positive storm effect. Furthermore, the mechanism for the observations suggest are likely to play a role in the

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Opposite hemispheric asymmetries during the ionospheric storm of 29–31 August 2004

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Abstract and the (minimum) ionospheric effect is increased hemispheric occurrence observed along with signature Satellite and CHAMP in the

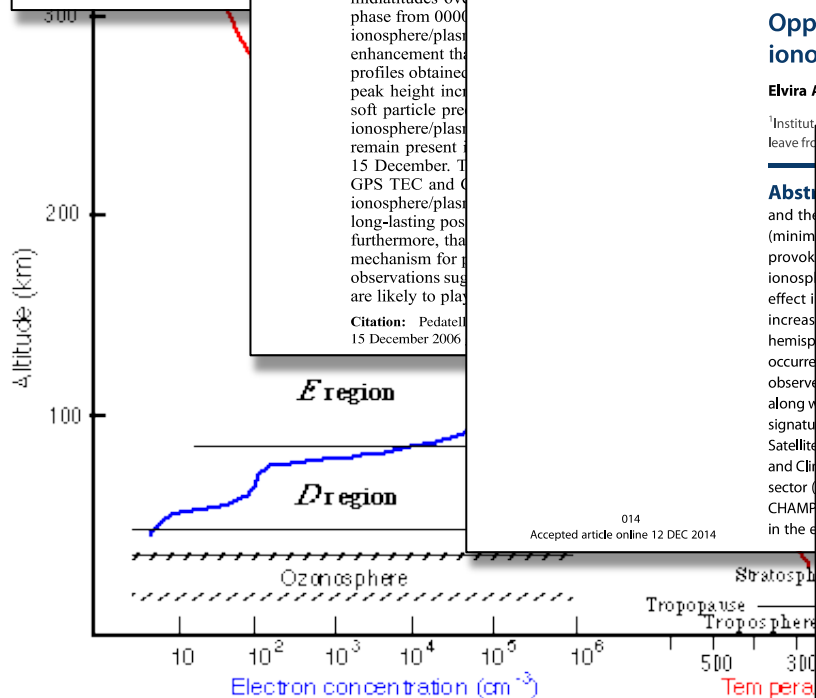


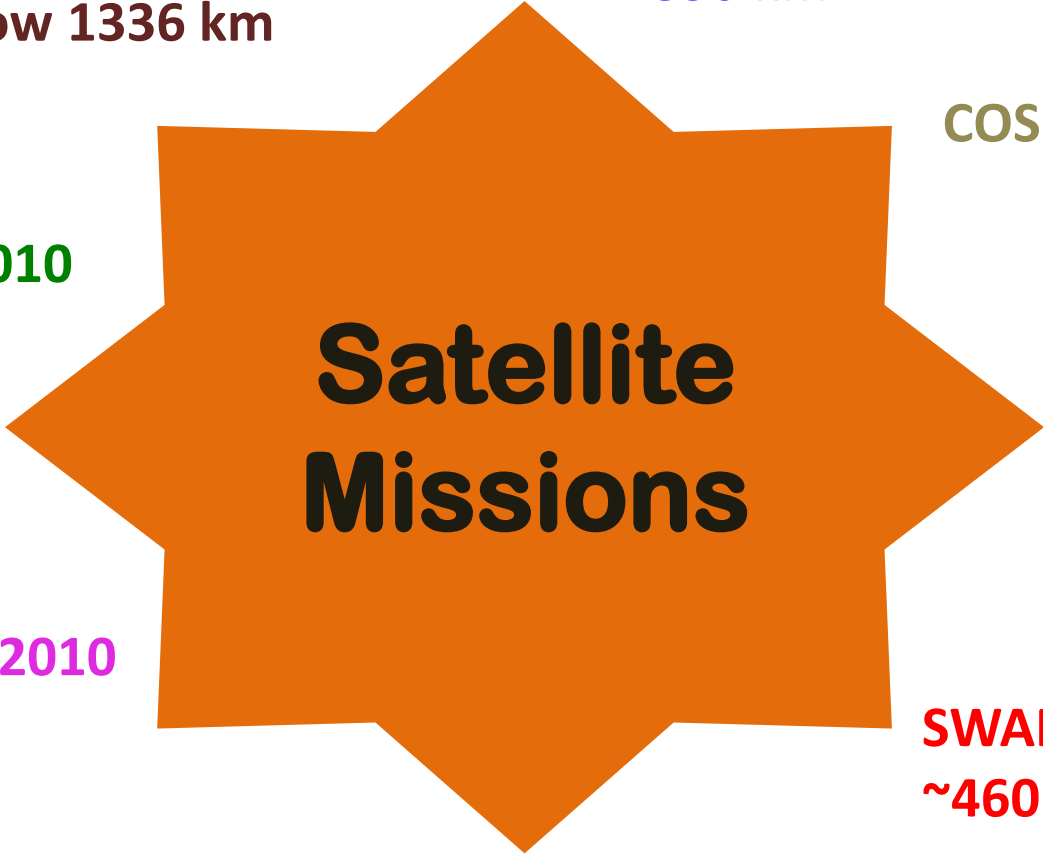
Response of the topside and bottomside ionosphere at low and middle latitudes to the October 2003 superstorms

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Abstract Ionospheric observations from the ground-based GPS receiver network, CHAMP and GRACE satellites and ionosondes were used to examine topside and bottomside ionospheric variations at low and middle latitudes over the Pacific and American sectors during the October 2003 superstorms. The latitudinal variation and the storm time response of the ground-based GPS total electron content (TEC) were generally consistent with those of the CHAMP and GRACE up-looking TEC. The TECs at heights below the satellite altitudes during the main phases were comparable to, or even less than, the quiet time values. However, the storm time CHAMP and GRACE up-looking TECs showed profound increases at low and middle latitudes. The ground-based TEC and ionosonde data were also combined to study the





Satellite Missions

**TOPEX/Jason-1,2,3: 1992-
VTEC below 1336 km**

**DMSP: 1962-
~850 km**

COSMIC/F3: 2006-

**CHAMP: 2000-2010
~425... 300 km**

**GRACE: 2002-
~460km**

**DEMETER: 2004 -2010
~710 km**

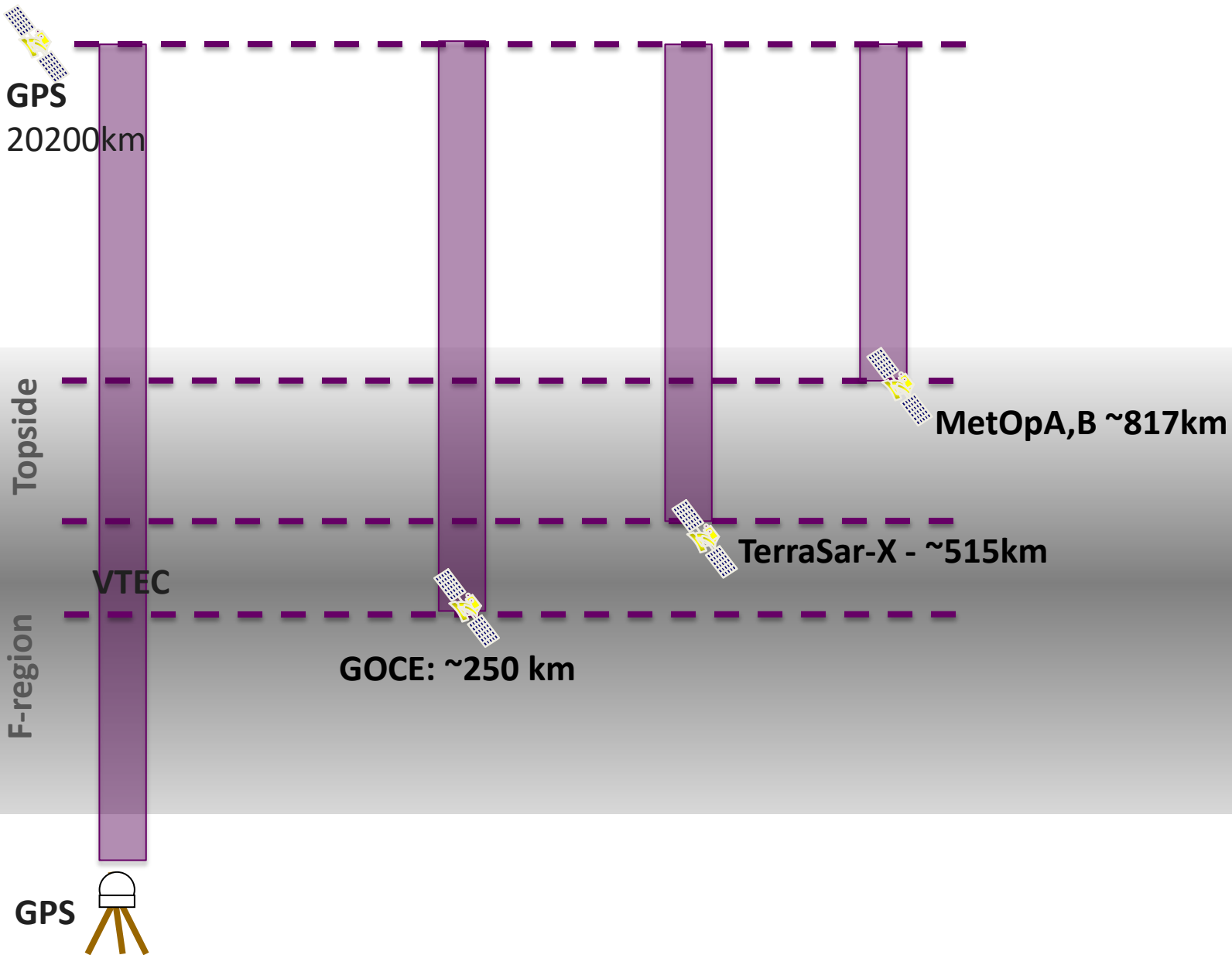
**SWARM A,B,C: 2013-
~460 & ~520 km**

**C/NOFS: 2008-2015
405÷803 km**

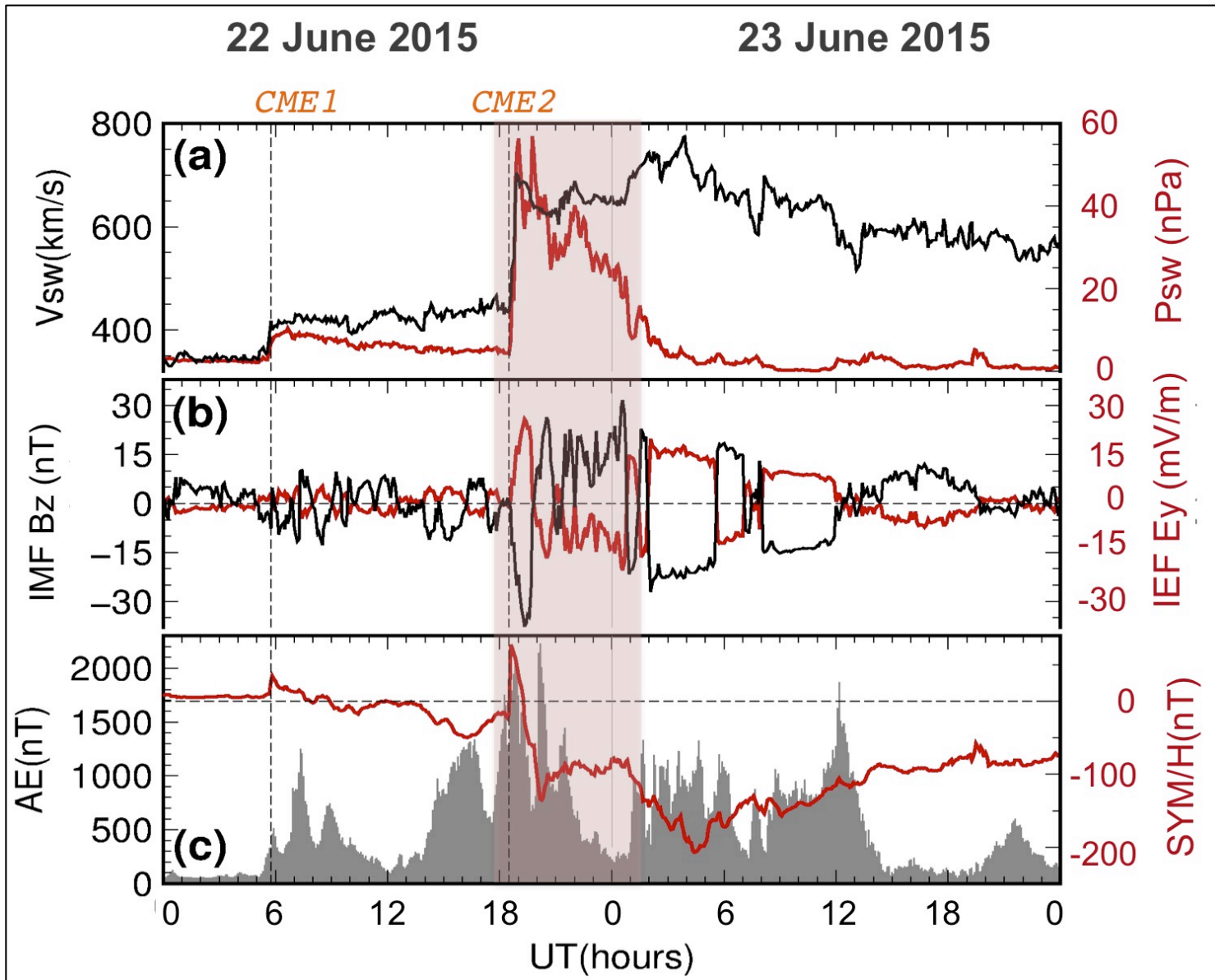
**GUVI: >2001
~612 km**

IDM, (P)LP, acc, magnetometers, imagers etc...

Space-borne GPS-only



1. Geomagnetic storm 22-23 June 2015



SSC
18:30UT

Instruments: Swarm constellation

A & C – at ~460 km → ~11LT & ~23LT

B – at ~530 km → ~13LT & ~01LT



A - Alpha, B - Bravo, C- Charlie

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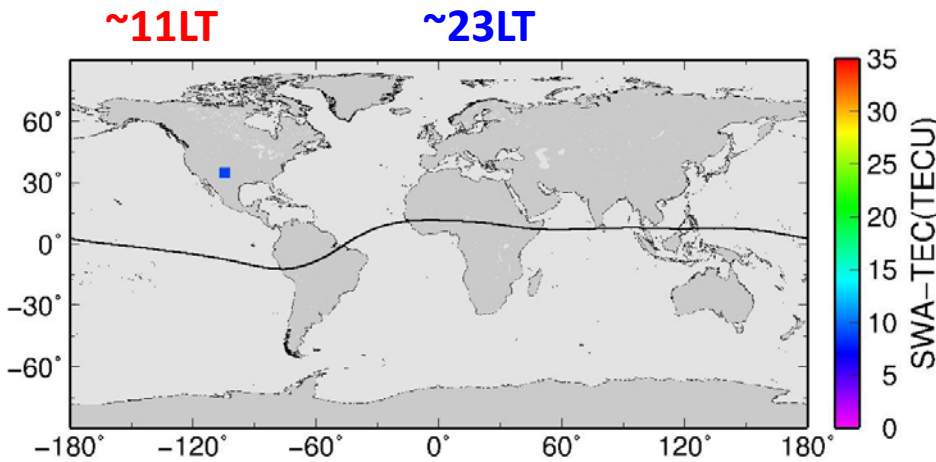
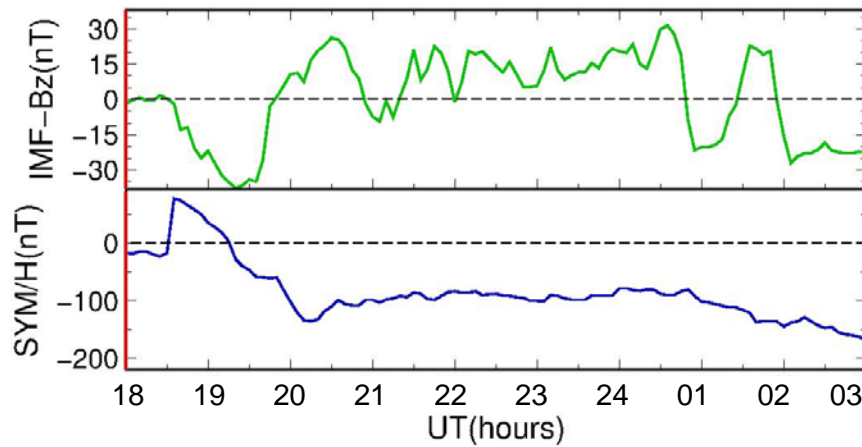
VTEC

Ne

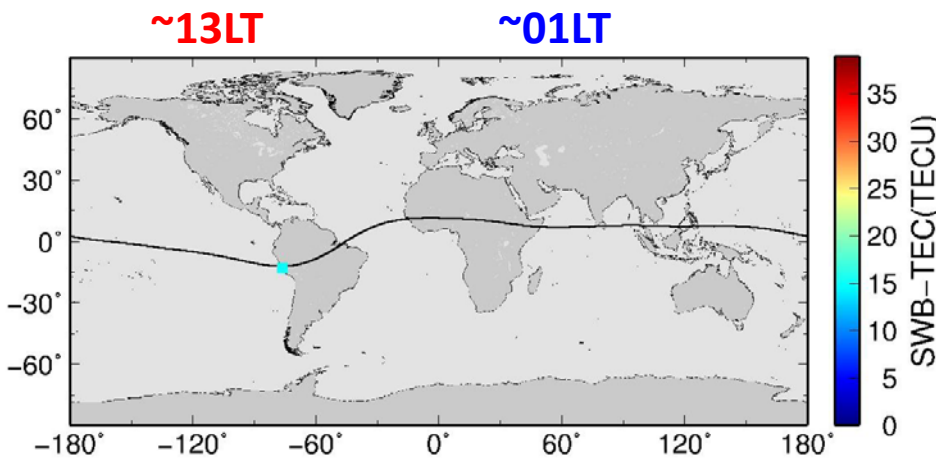
EEF/EEJ

Storm of 22-23 June 2015

Swarm A & B

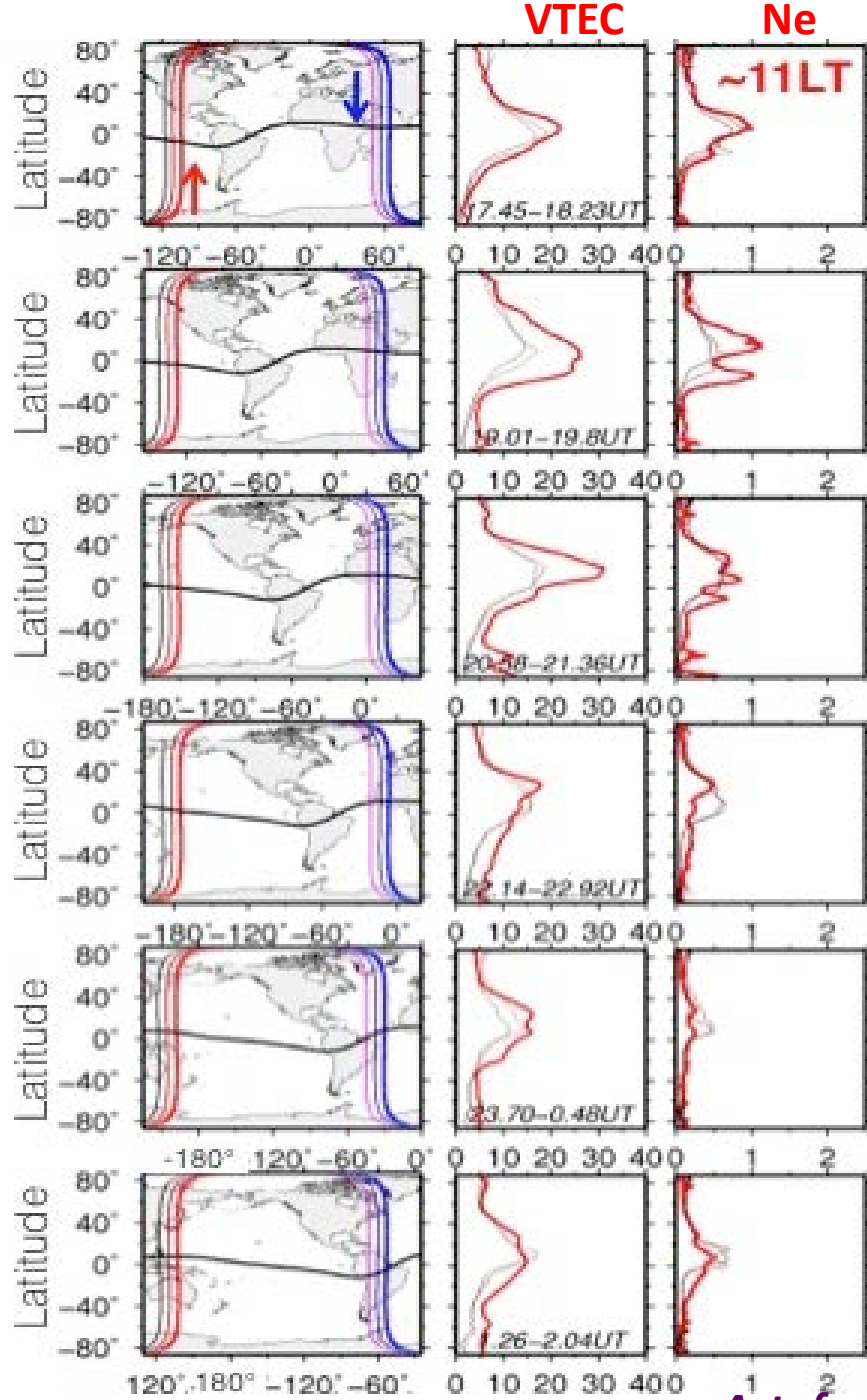


SWA, >460 km



SWB, >520 km

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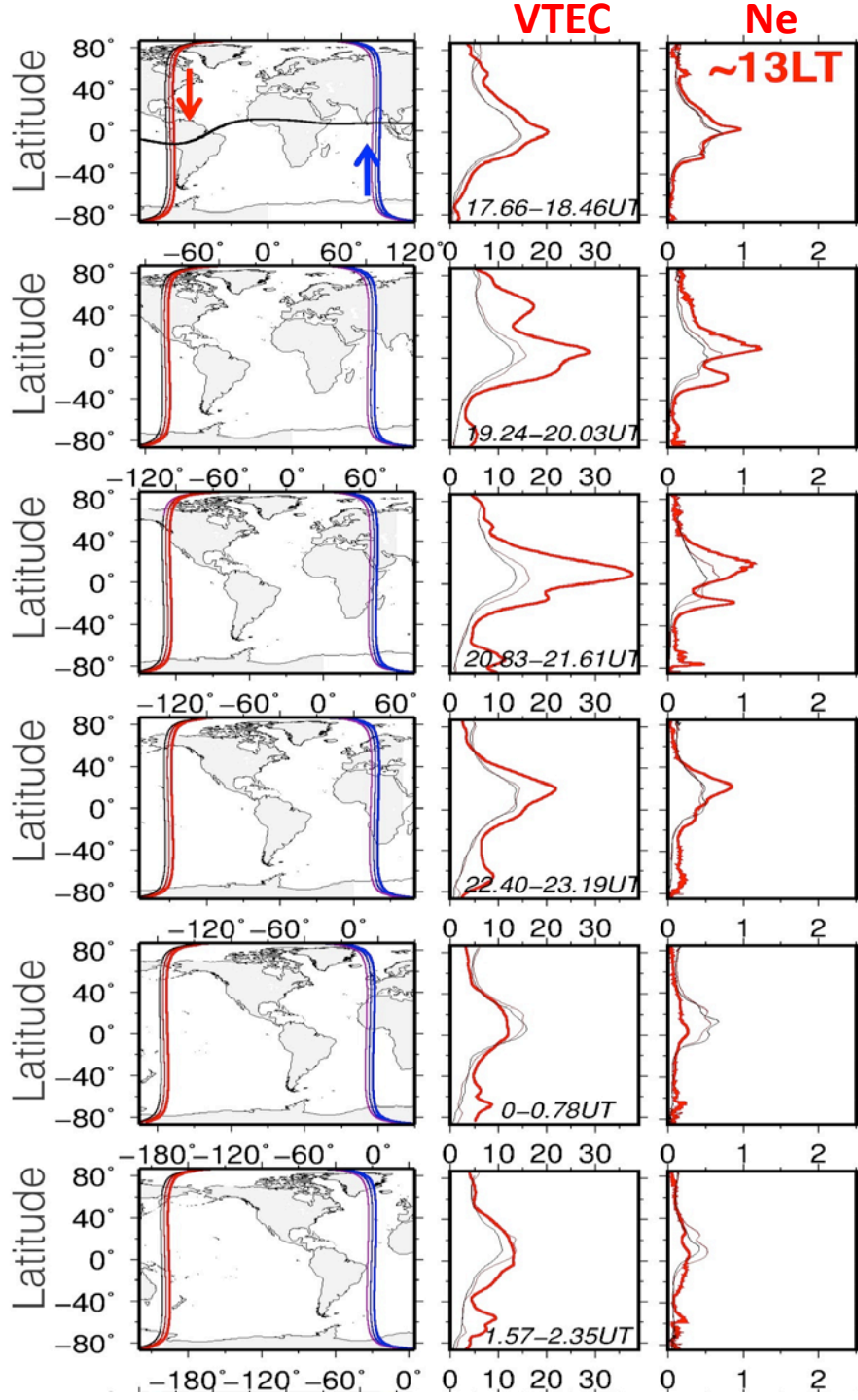


Swarm A

Summer
Hemisphere

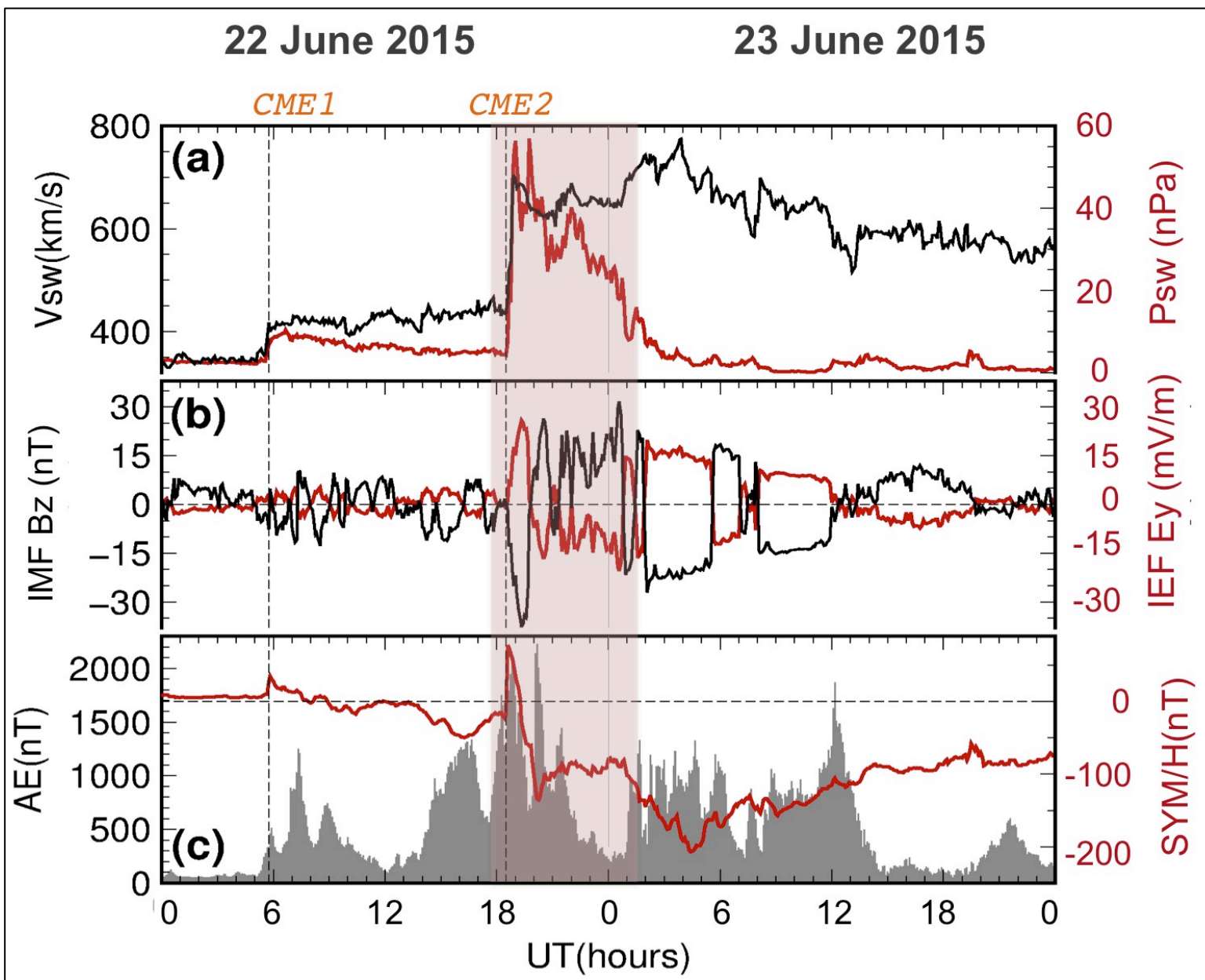
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Swarm B



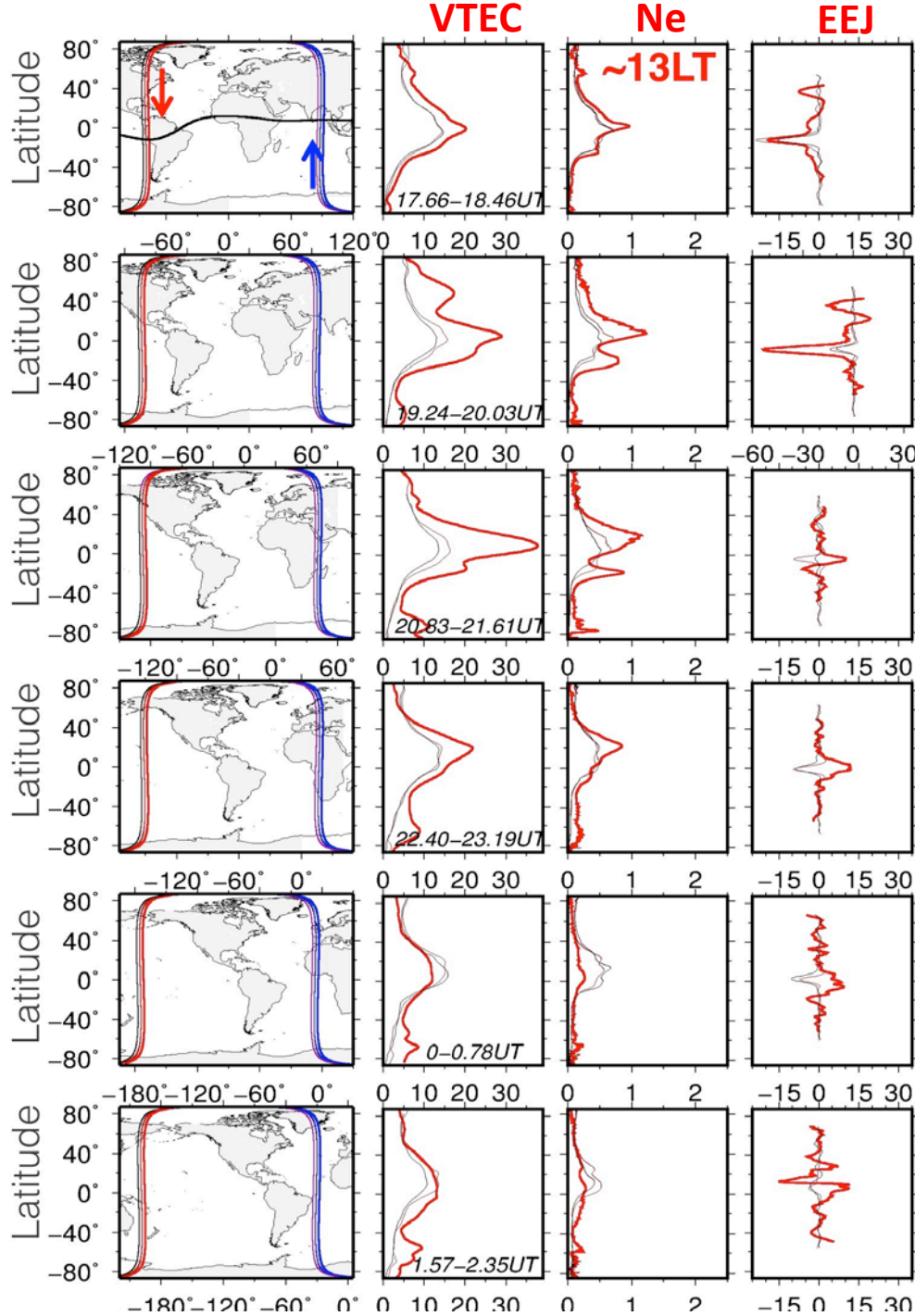
PPEF?

DD?



$$\text{IEF } E_y = - \text{IMF } B_z * V_{sw}$$

Storm of 22-23 June 2015



SWARM B EEJ

← eastward

IEF $E_y > 0$

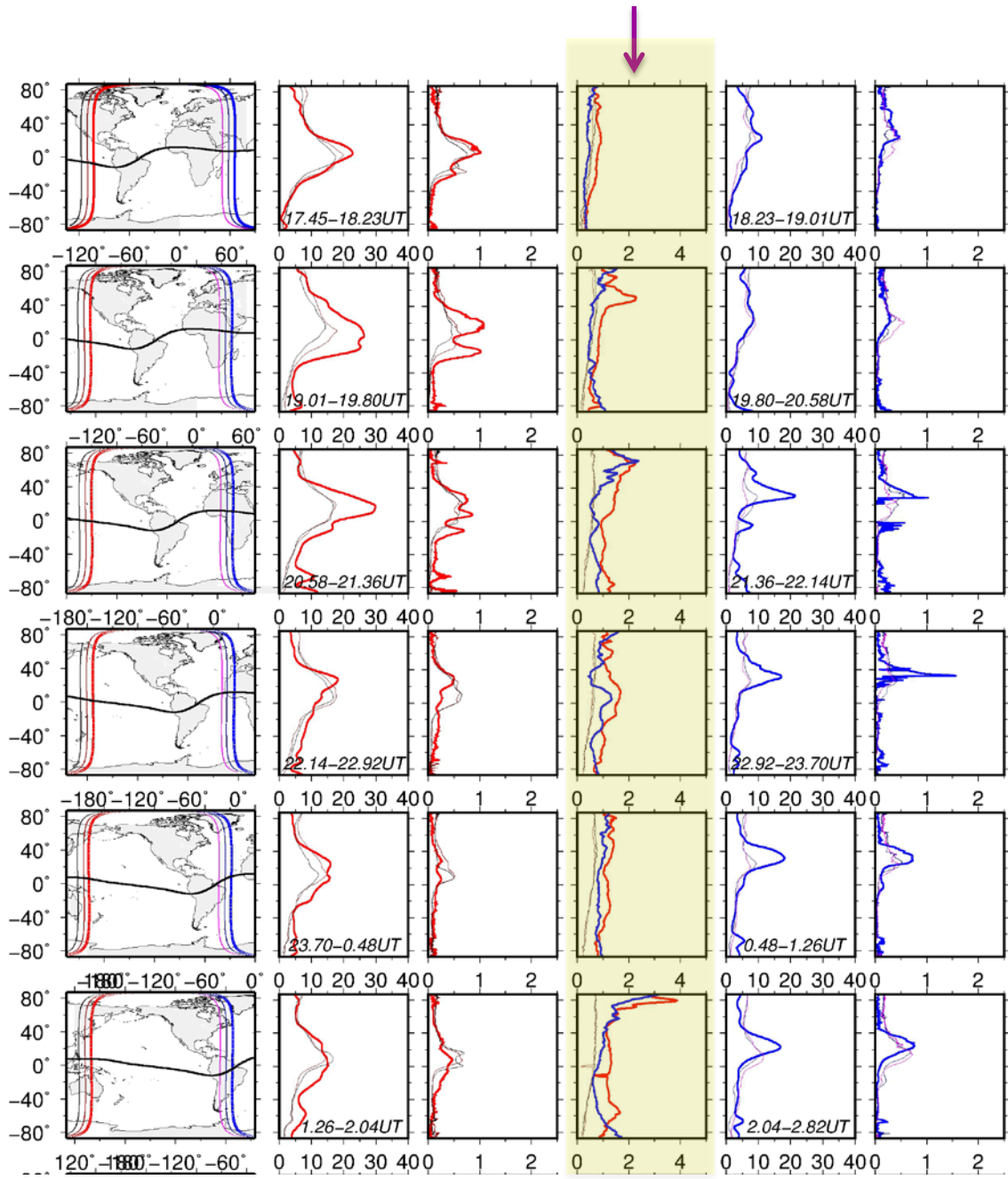
← westward

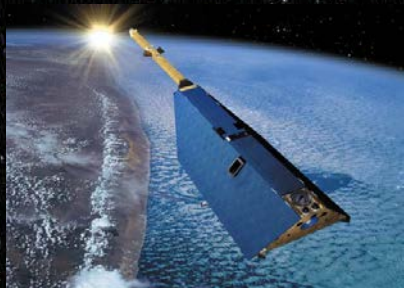
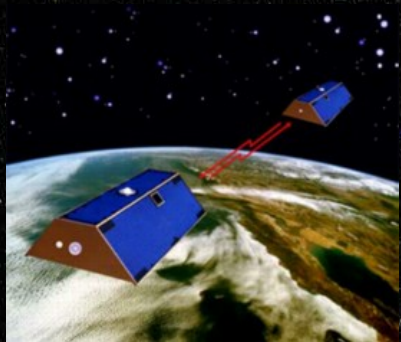
IEF $E_y < 0$

IEF $E_y < 0$

Storm of 22-23 June 2015

Neutral mass density - SWC



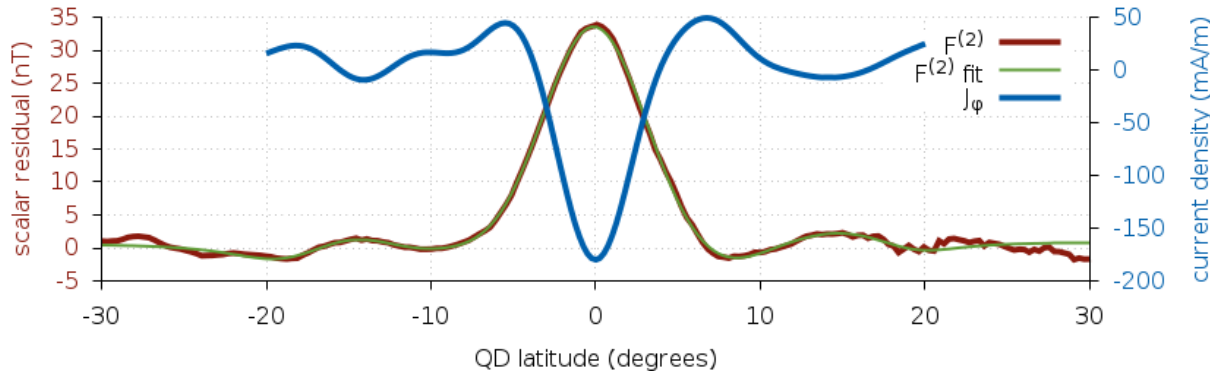
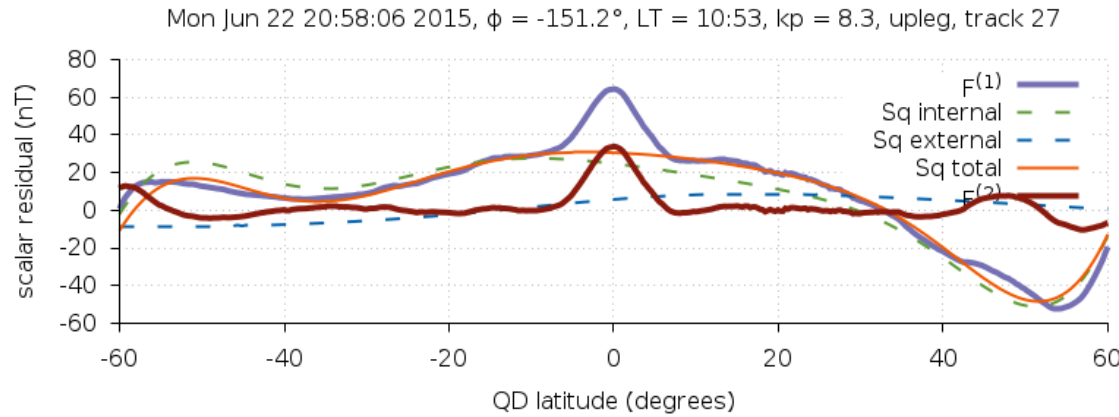


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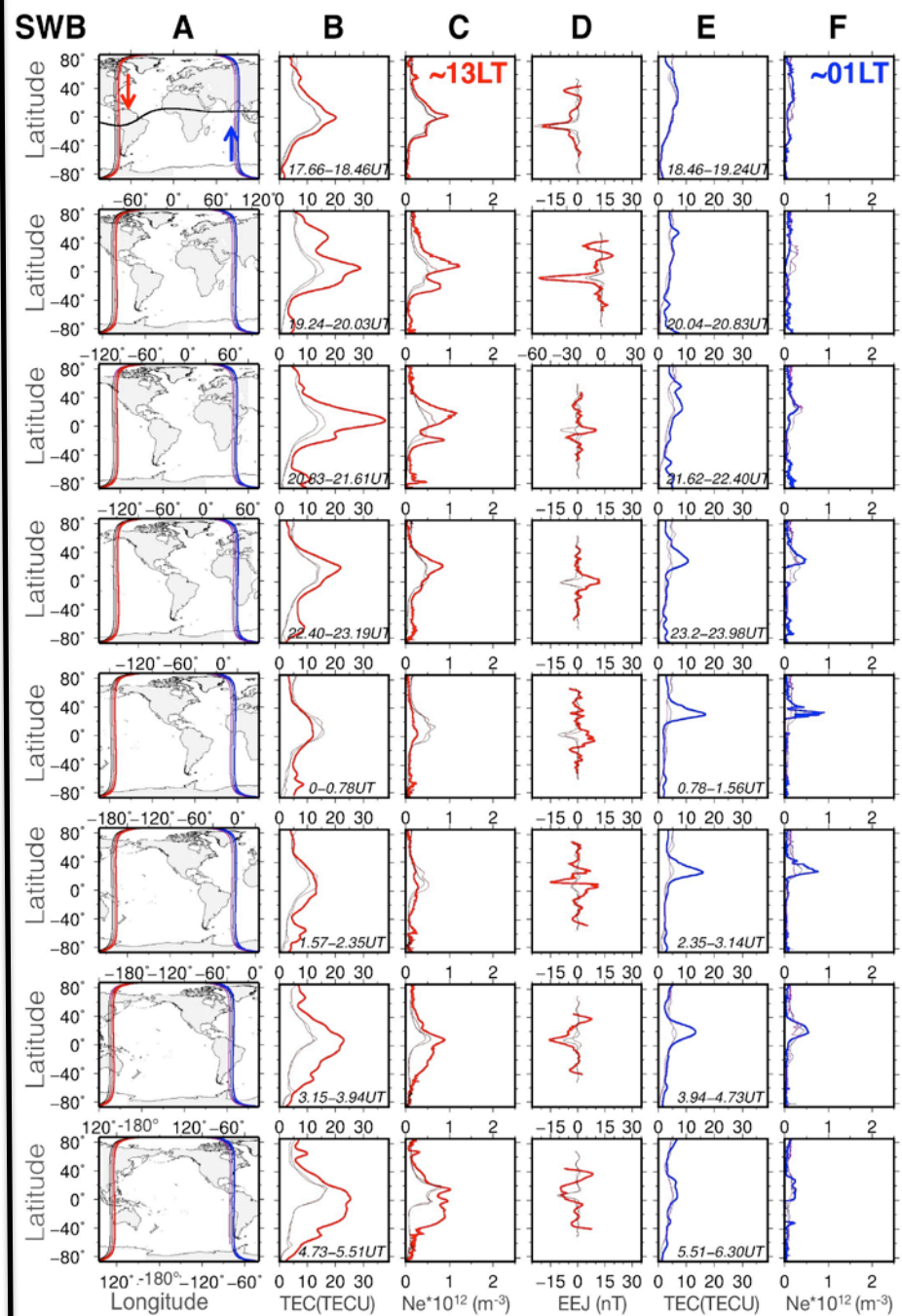
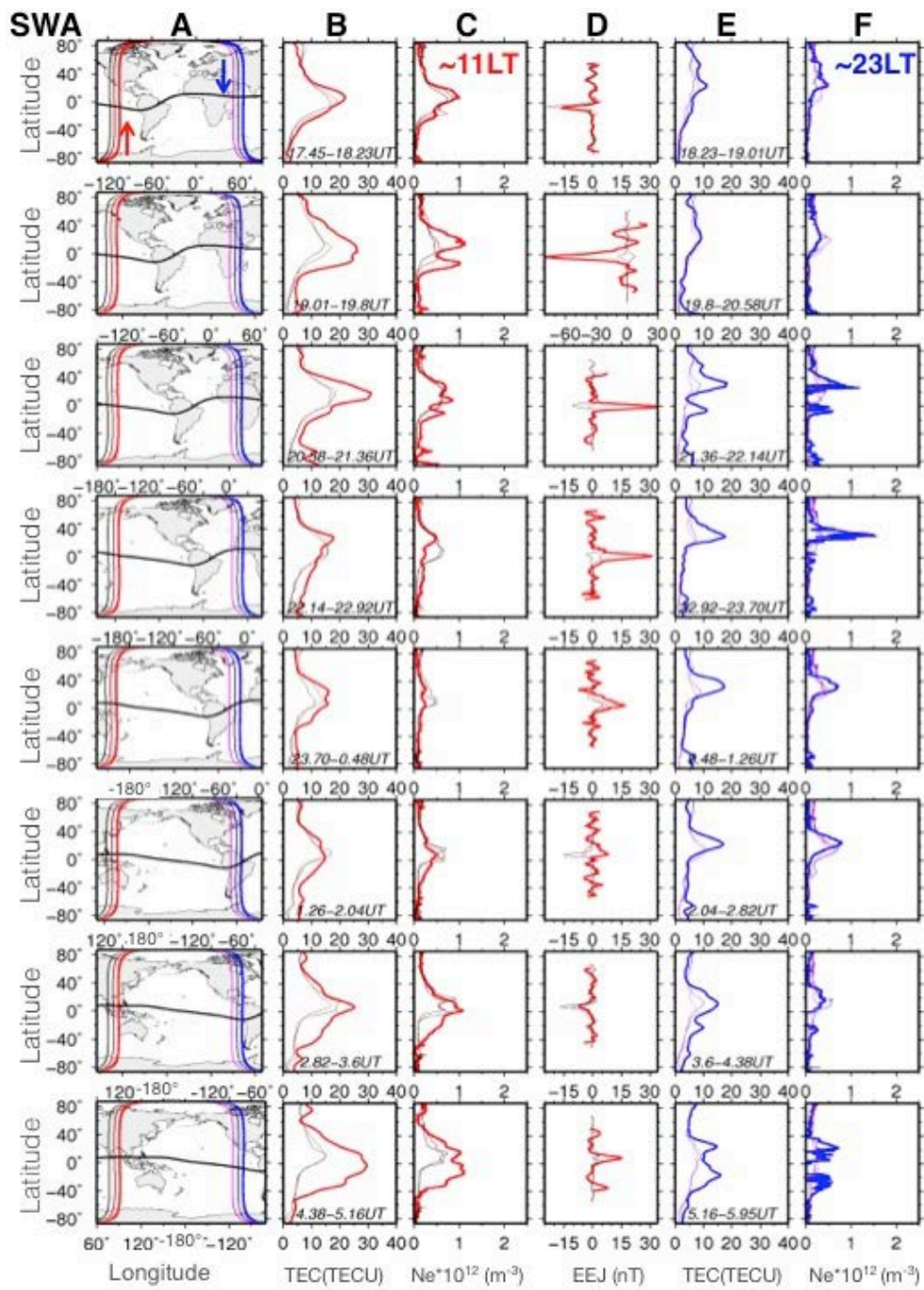


EEJ from magnetic observations

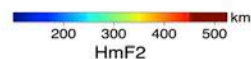
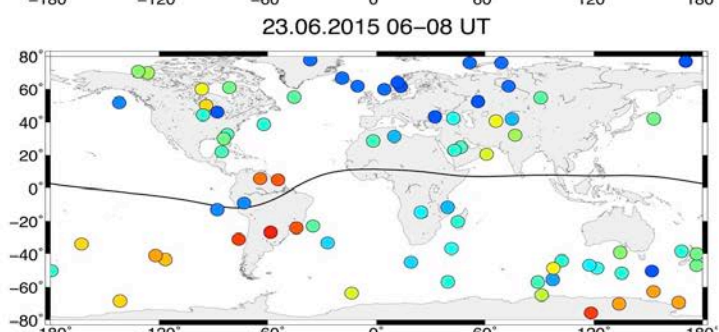
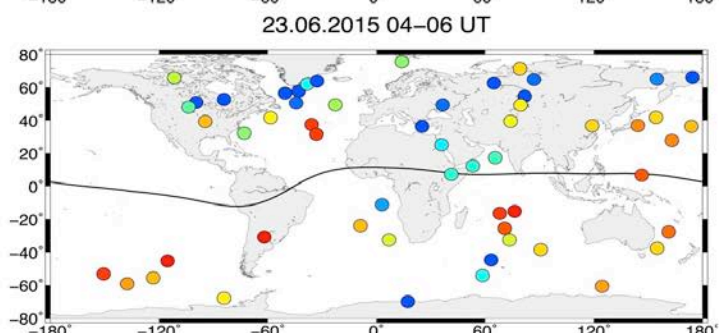
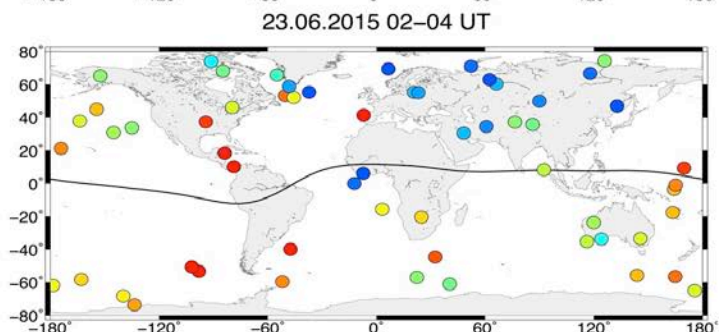
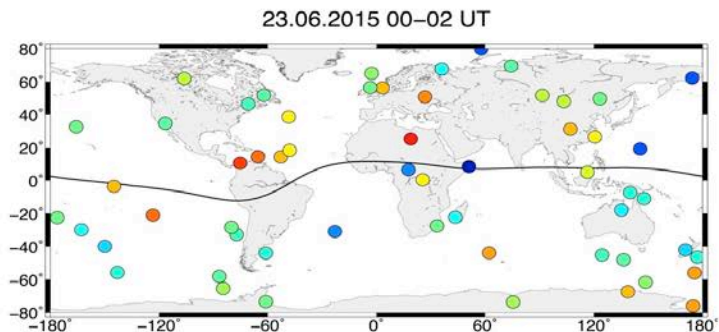
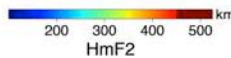
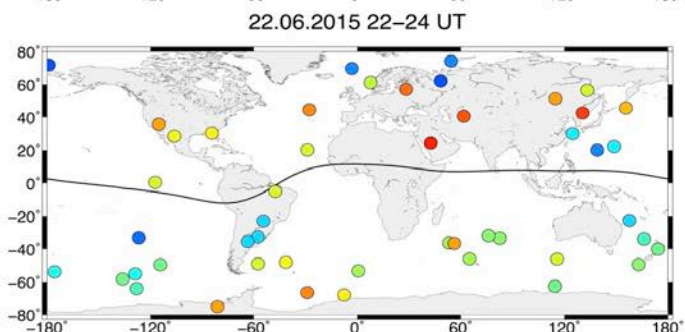
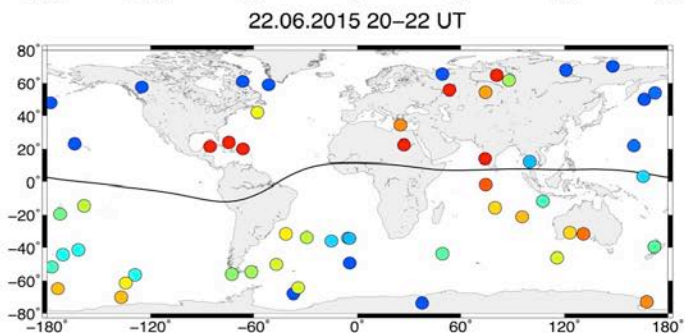
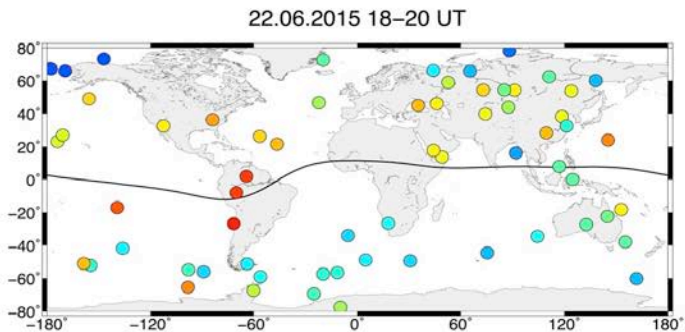
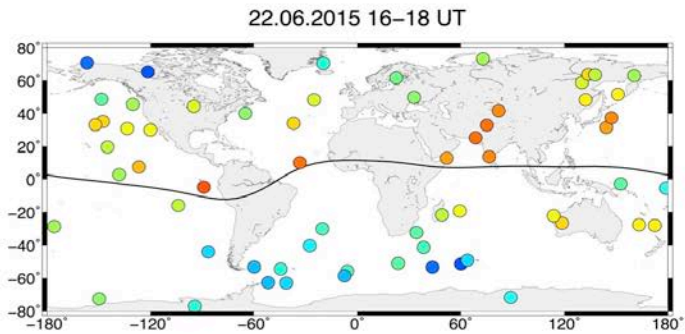
Scalar magnetic observations – Main– Crustal- Magnetospheric - Sq-spherical harmonics model → Scalar residual = EEJ (magnetic signal)



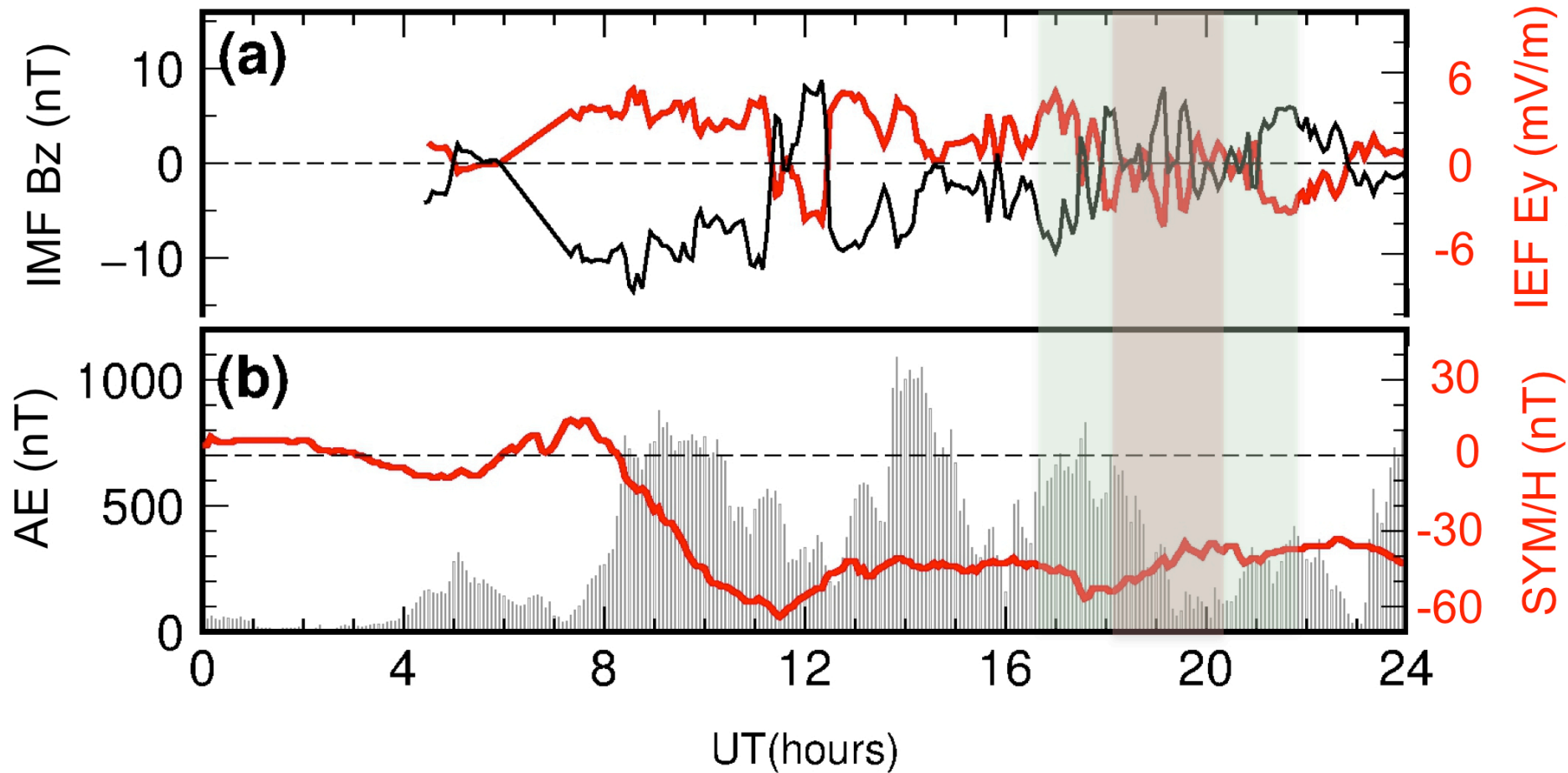
Dayside only!



Storm of 22-23 June 2015



2. Storm of 11 October 2008



Instruments:

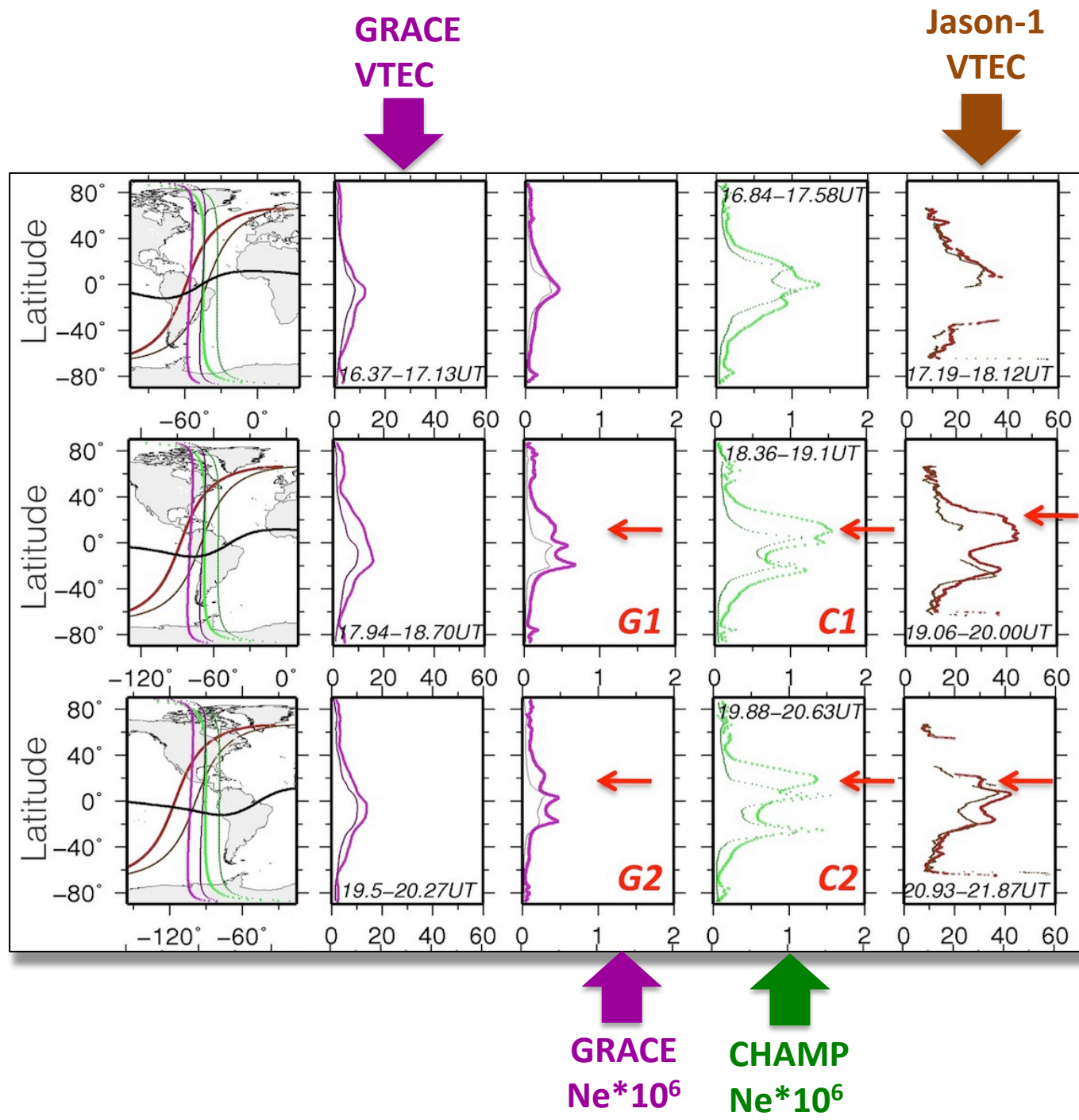
GRACE (VTEC, Ne)

CHAMP (Ne)

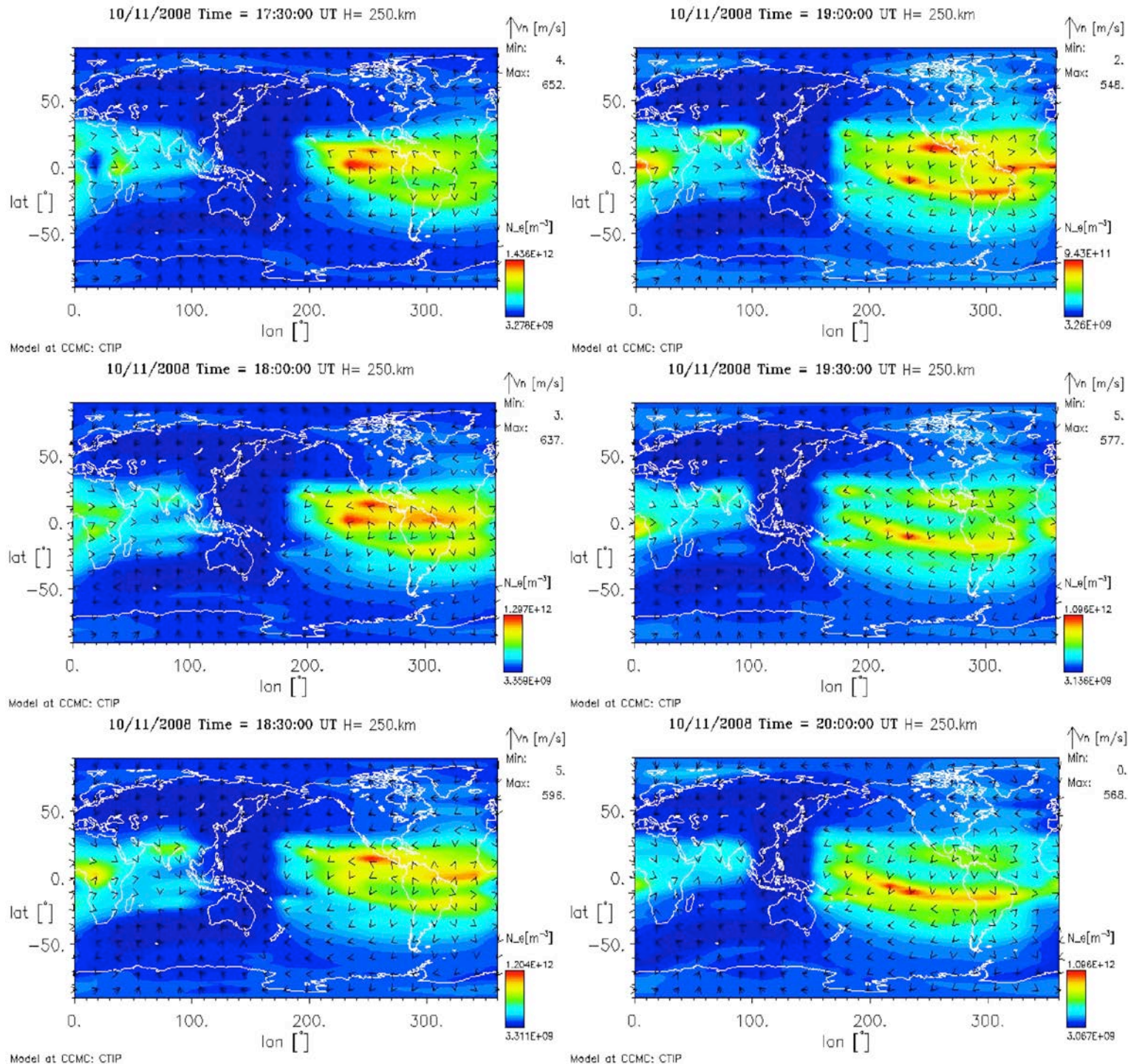
Jason-1 (VTEC below 1336 km)



Storm of 11 October 2008



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