昼側磁気圏における二種のオープン機構(カスプ 局所オープンと大規模不完全オープン)の共存: フレイア衛星に よる観測から

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Double-openness Concept of the Dayside Magnetosphere: Indications from the Freja Cusp Observations

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A controversial issue concerning the origin of the cusp particles is the relative importance of "direct entry" (non-MHD and non-adiabatic entry) and "reconnection" (MHD and linear drift entry). The difference can be attributed to the definition of "open" magnetosphere: the latter has one type of "openness" because of its one fluid assumption whereas the former predicts two types of openness in the dayside magnetosphere, namely, a global openness which allows the interplanetary electric field access the entire boundary layer (e.g., via reconnection and the viscous-like interaction) and a local openness which allows solar wind access only near the cusp. The global openness does not necessarily mean completely open compared to the openness in the cusp region, which causes the non-MHD type deceleration (stagnation) and the cusp plasma injection.

The "double openness" concept can be modelled with a multi-component plasma, in which the low-energy background component and the injecting hot component may have two different flow velocities. The wave-assisted cusp model (Yamauchi and Lundin, 1992; 1997) is one such attempt. Each "open" process carries its own FAC system: the dayside

region 1 FAC for the global openness and the cusp region 1/0 FAC in the local openness. Therefore, the "double-openness" model predicts the independency between the cusp FACs and auroral oval FACs. Other differences between the direct entry (or "local") cusp model and the "global" MHD cusp model are the roles of waves, turbulence, and escaping ionospheric ions (due to wave-particle interaction). These are basically neglected in MHD models whereas they control the cusp in the local cusp model.

The key question is the level of observational support for the different models. In the presentation, we point out the independency between the cusp FACs and auroral oval FACs. We summarize past evidences for this independency, adding contributions from the Freja satellite to this issue. With its unique longitudinal cusp traversals during southward IMF due to its 63 degree orbit inclination, Freja reinforced past evidences that the field-aligned currents (FACs) in the cusp region are separated from the dayside region 1 FAC outside the cusp.