

A Geospace Radar

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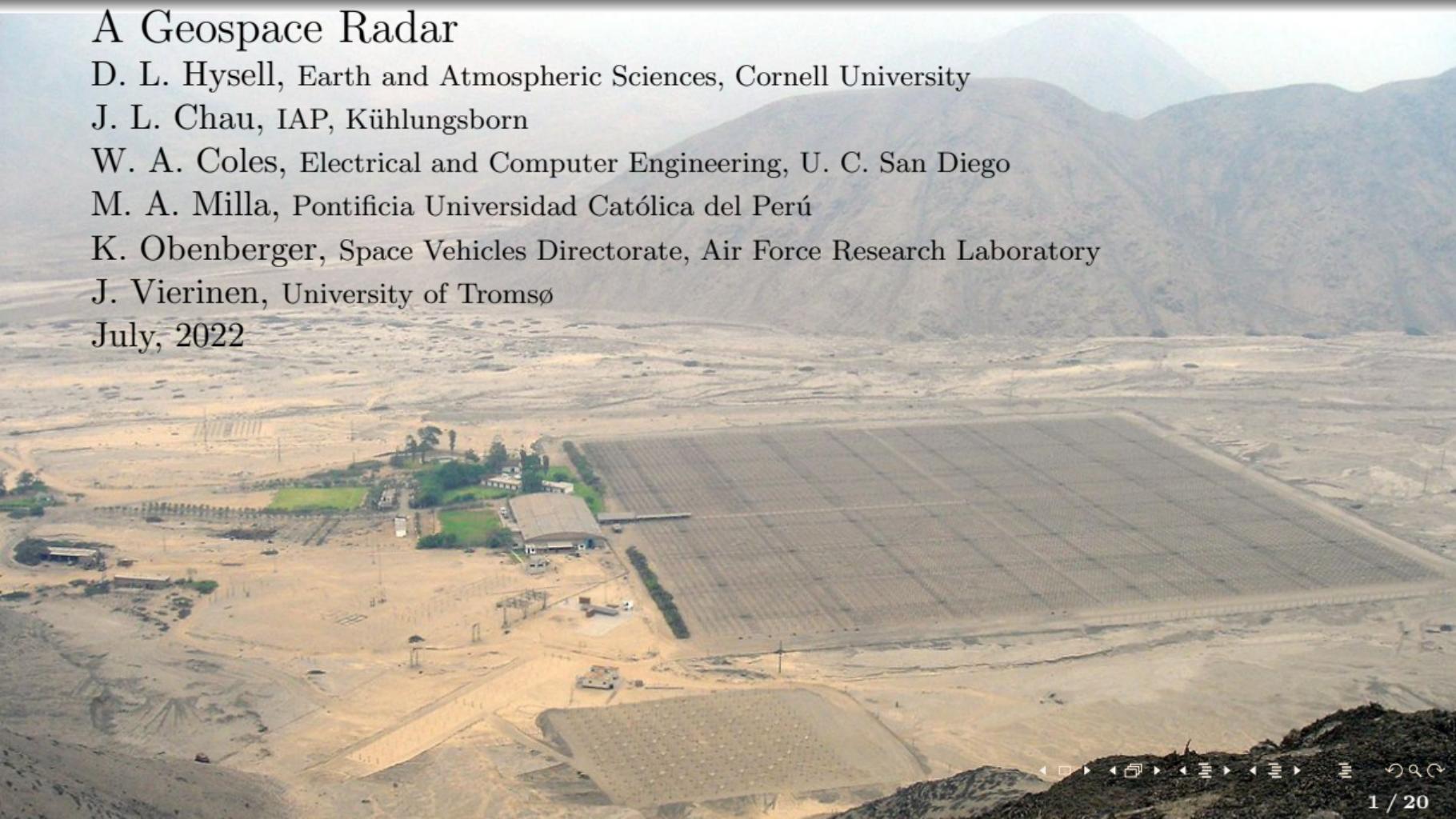
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background

- ▷ Workshop held at Cornell University March – April 1, 2015
 - Ultimately, workshop participants agreed that both basic and applied research with the facilities are essential. They should not be rank ordered. They should both be supported.
 - Workshop participants believe it will be important to re-balance experiment, theory, and modeling appropriately if we are to move toward the goals we have set for ourselves in our planning documents.
 - The workshop concluded that geospace science and engineering must begin to proceed collaboratively for progress to be made in the future.
- ▷ The case for combining a large low-band Very High Frequency transmitter with multiple receiving arrays for geospace research: A geospace radar. Radio Science, 54, 533–551. <https://doi.org/10.1029/2018RS006688>

background

- ▷ Virtual workshop held under AGS guidance – April 26 – 28, 2021
 - The community should undertake the development of a new geospace facility, a geospace radar, following in the footsteps of contemporary, worldwide developments in radio astronomy and radar techniques.
 - It is imperative to train the next generation of scientists and engineers to take over ISR research and technology as an integral part of any next-generation facility.
- (see https://landau.geo.cornell.edu/workshop_report.pdf)
- ▷ NASEM Decadal survey whitepapers due August 18, 2022

key themes

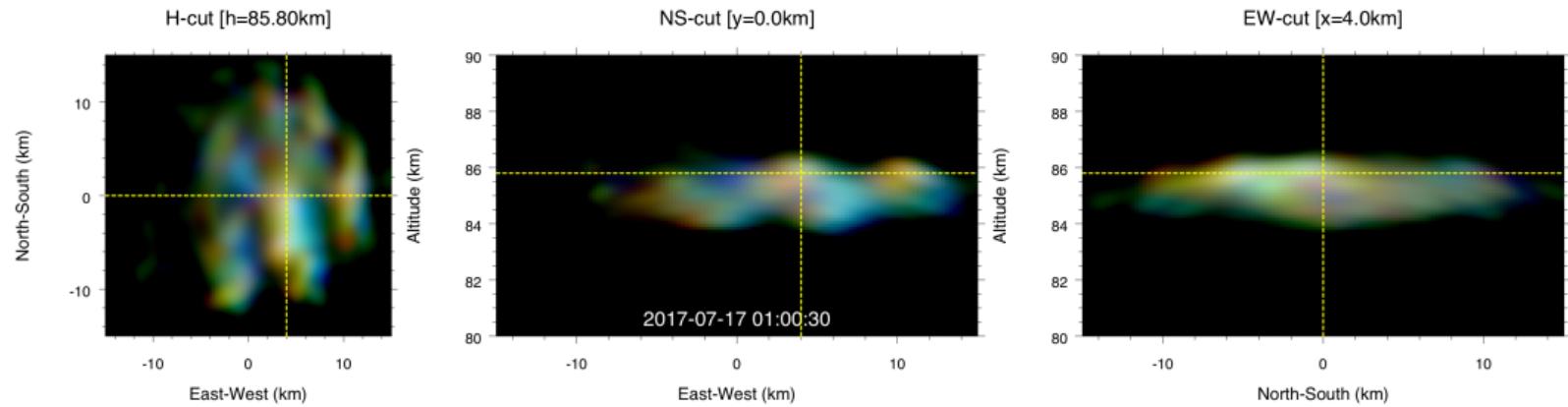
- ① Cross-scale coupling
- ② Data assimilation
- ③ Space weather
- ④ Neutral/plasma coupling
- ⑤ Mesospheric and lower thermospheric instabilities and mesoscale dynamics
- ⑥ Meteor science
- ⑦ Energetics, dynamics, transport
- ⑧ Planetary radar
- ⑨ Plasmaspheric radar
- ⑩ Solar echoes

radio array concept

- ▷ one or more phased array transmitters amid multiple pseudorandom radio array receivers (i.e. LWA, MWA, LOFAR type astronomical arrays)
- ▷ beamforming
- ▷ multistatic measurements (dynamics)
- ▷ spaced receivers for interferometry, imaging (super resolution)
- ▷ MIMO capability for wavevector diversity, full specification of flow fields
- ▷ frequency/ wavenumber diversity
- ▷ low-band capability (50 MHz)
- ▷ data center included

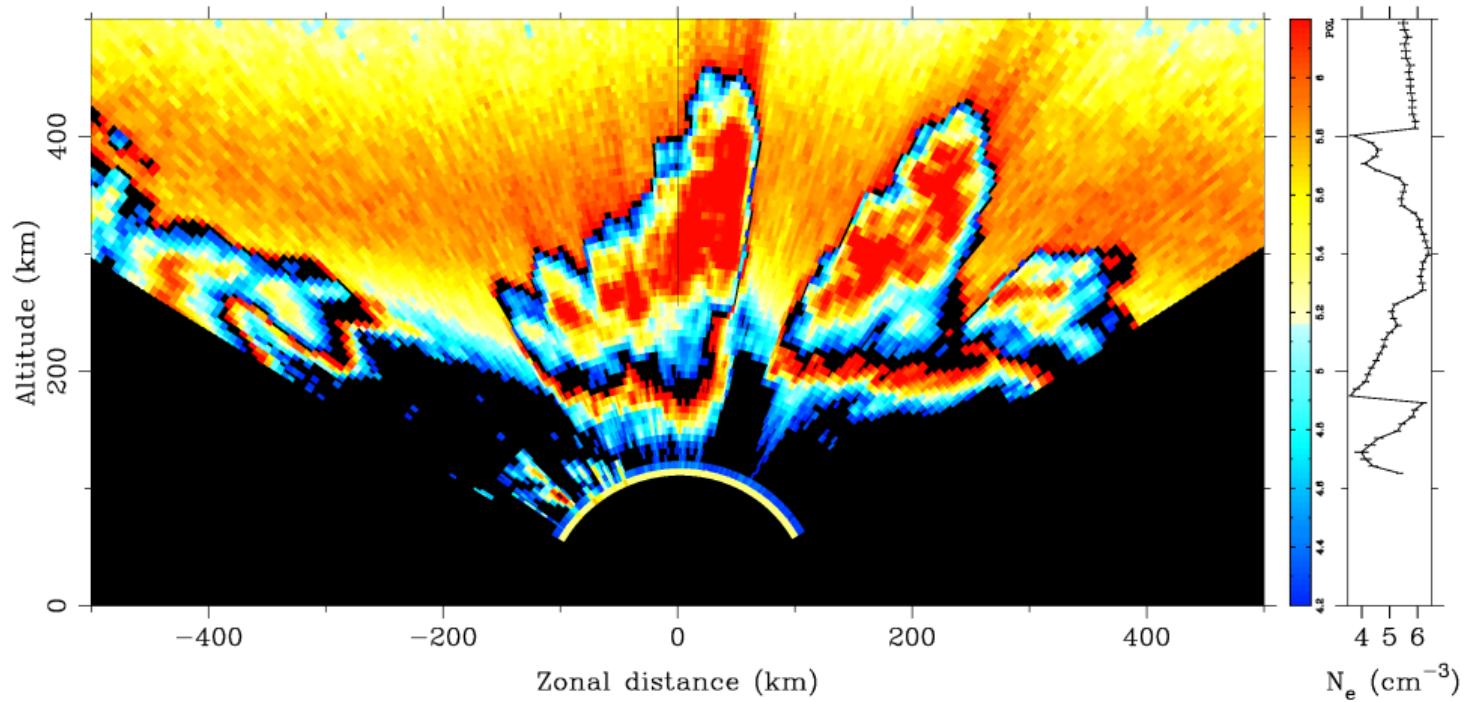
aperture-synthesis images

PMSE

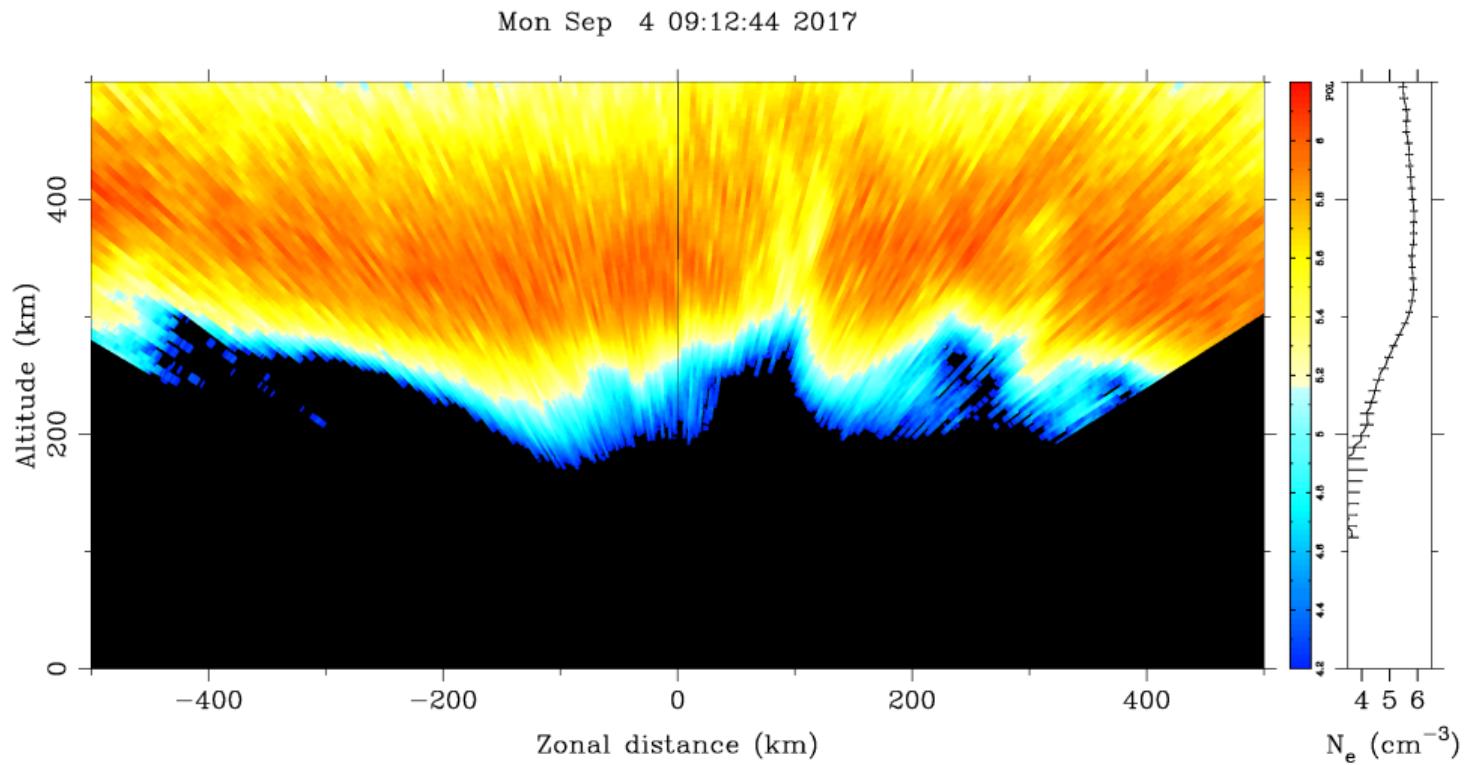


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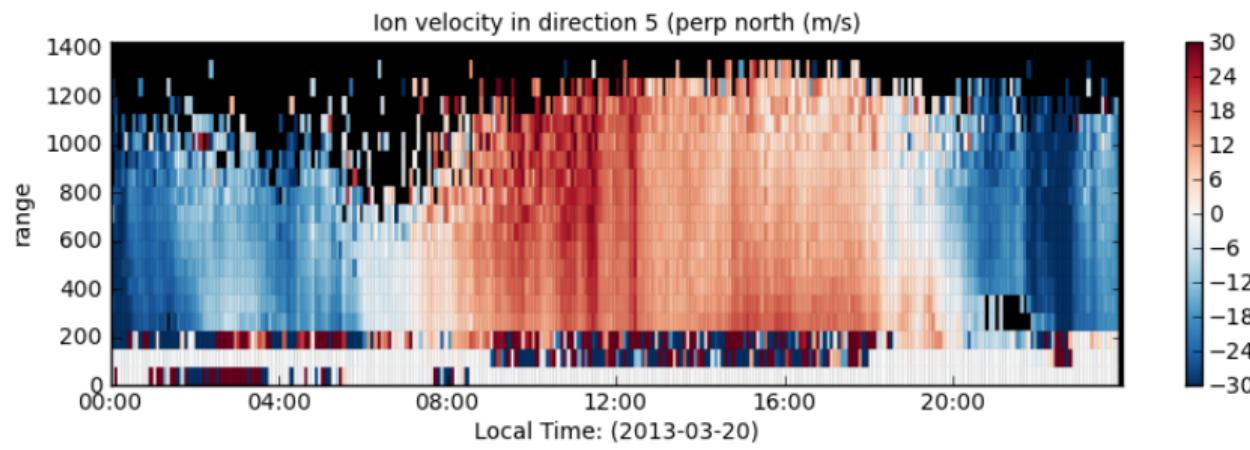
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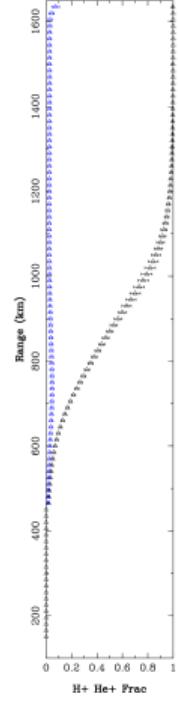
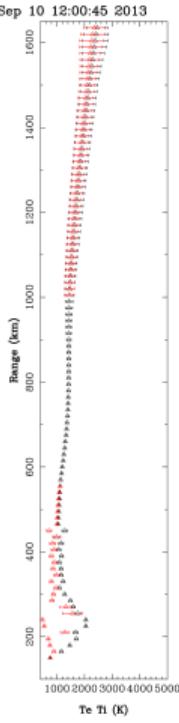
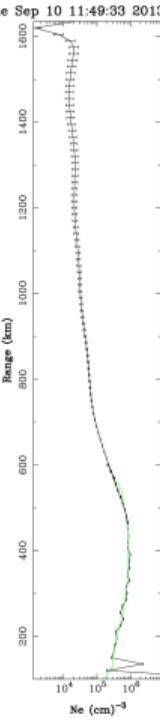
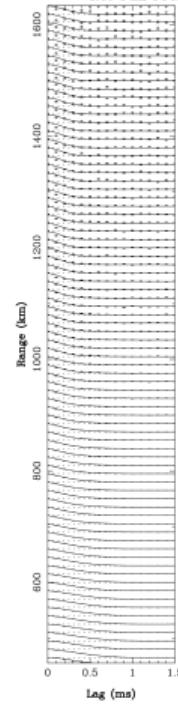
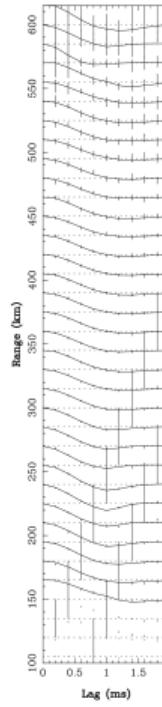
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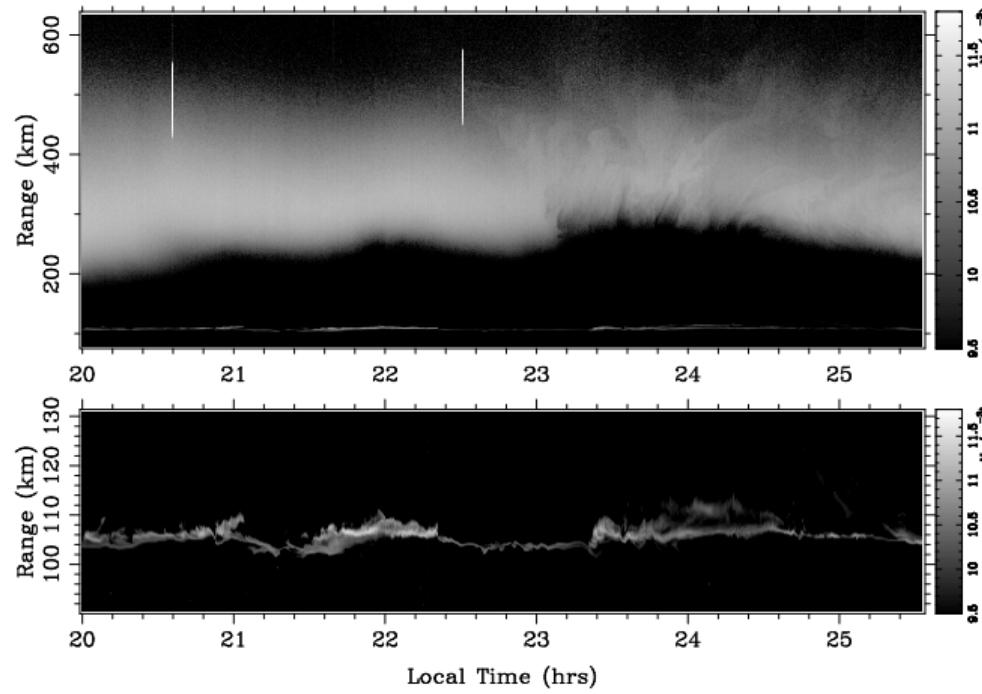
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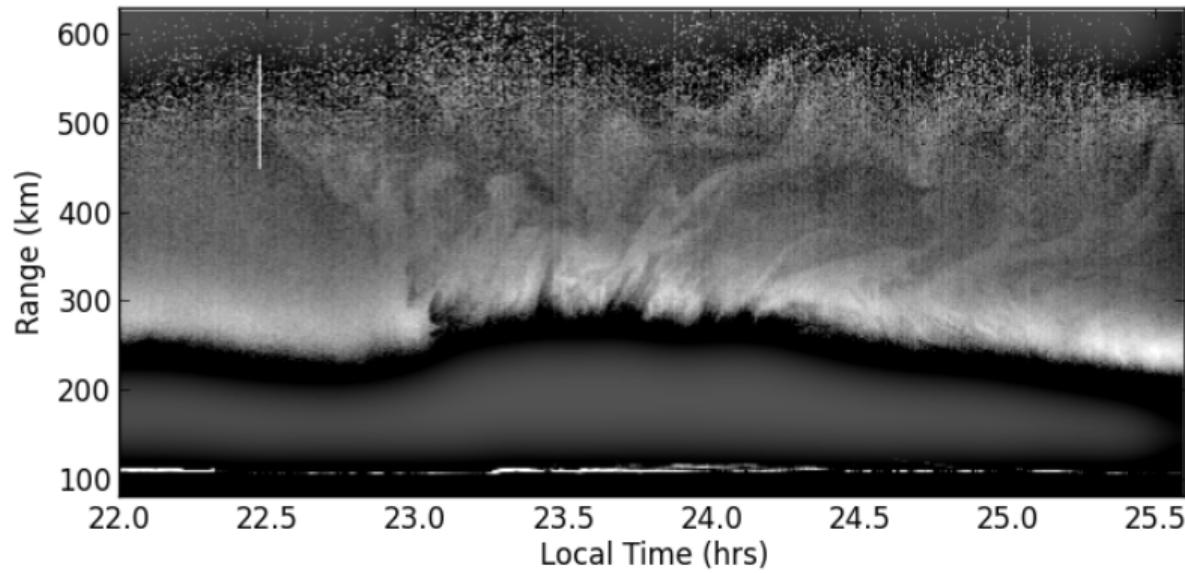
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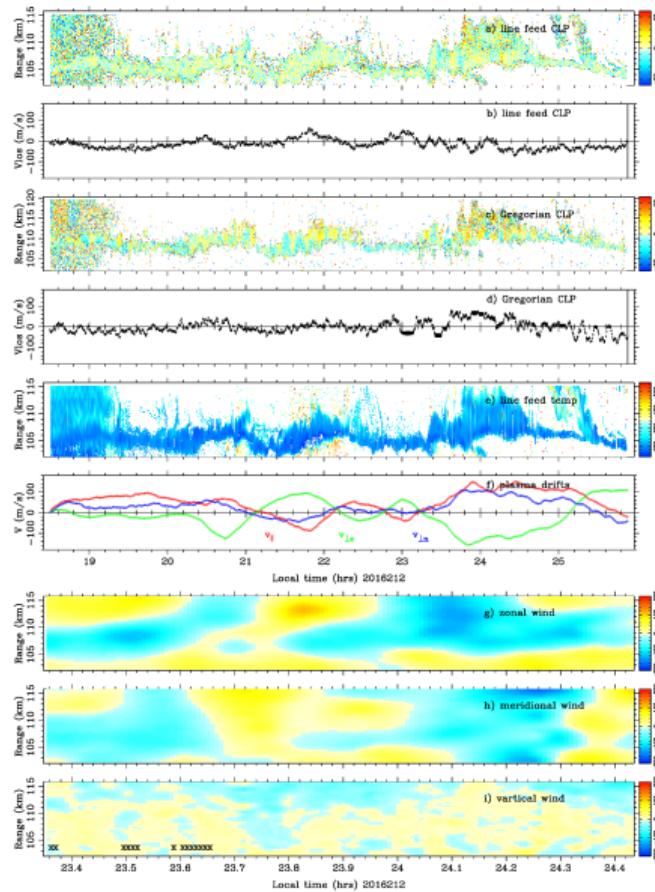
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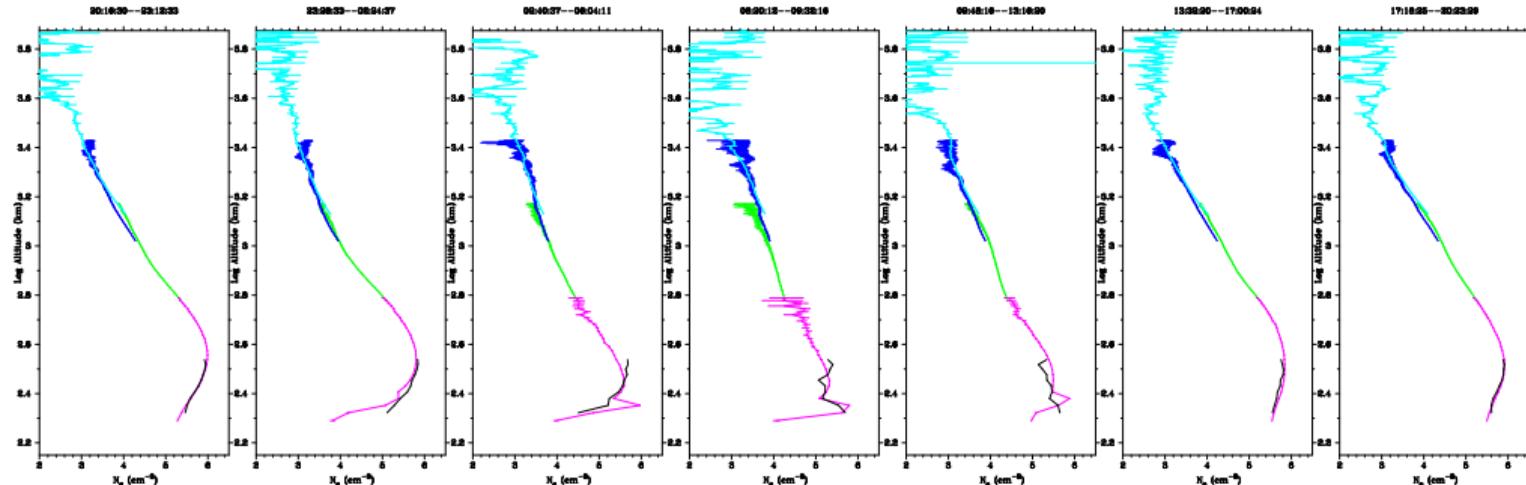
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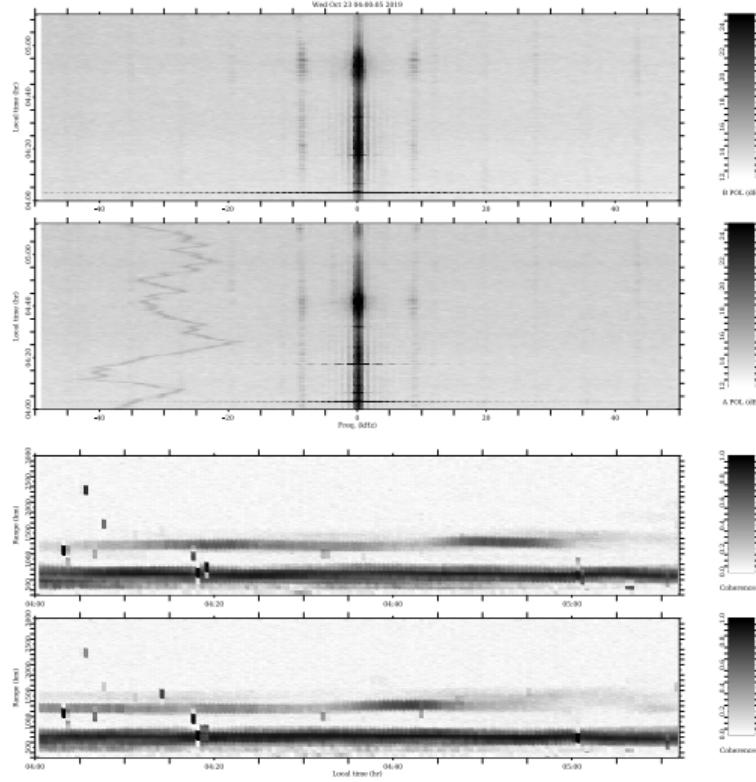
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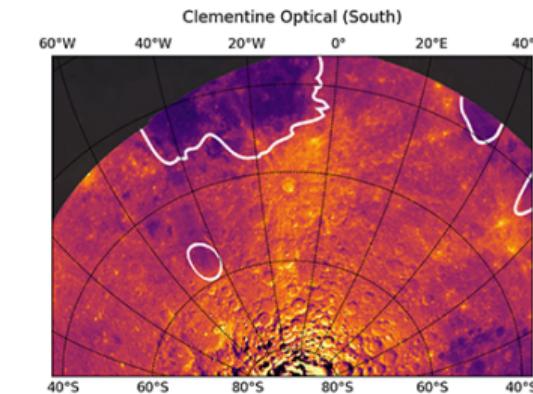
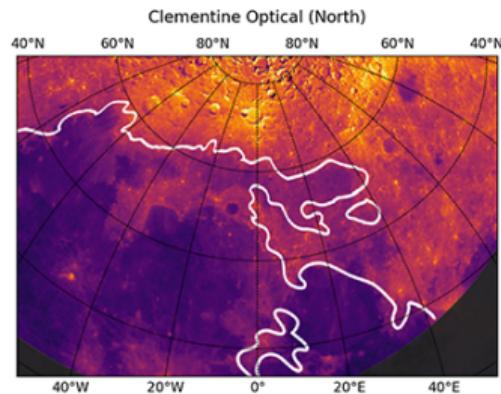
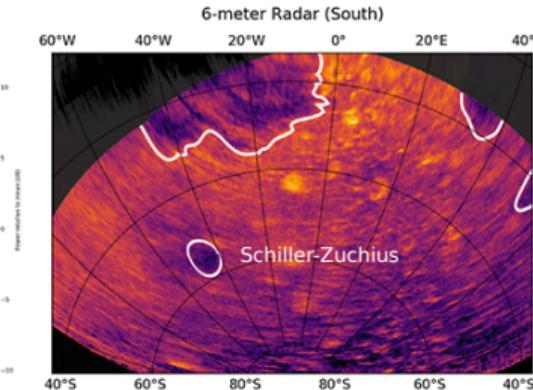
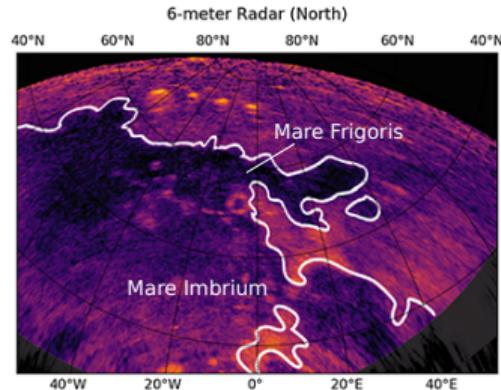
plasmaspheric density



plasmaspheric waves

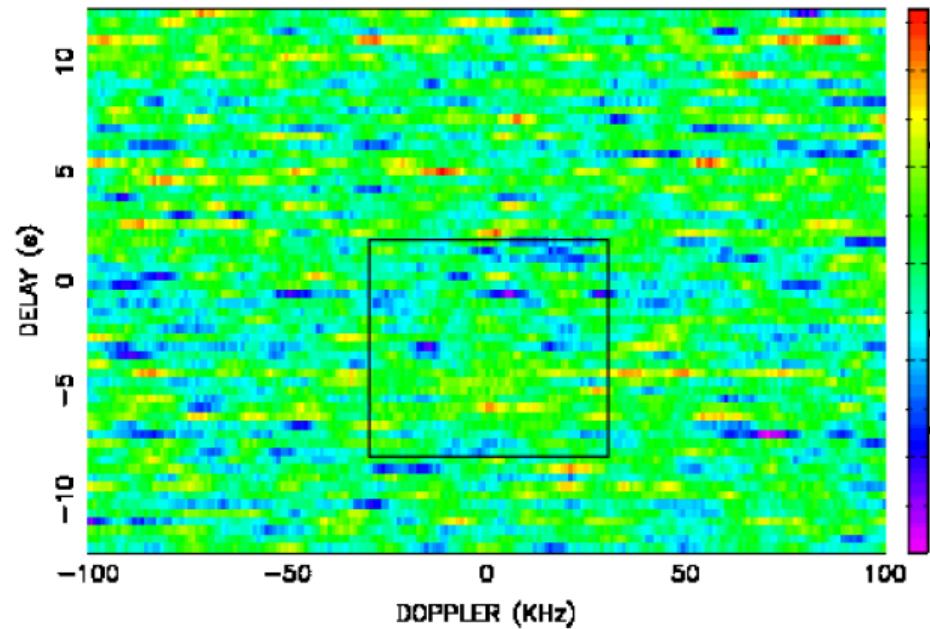


planetary radar



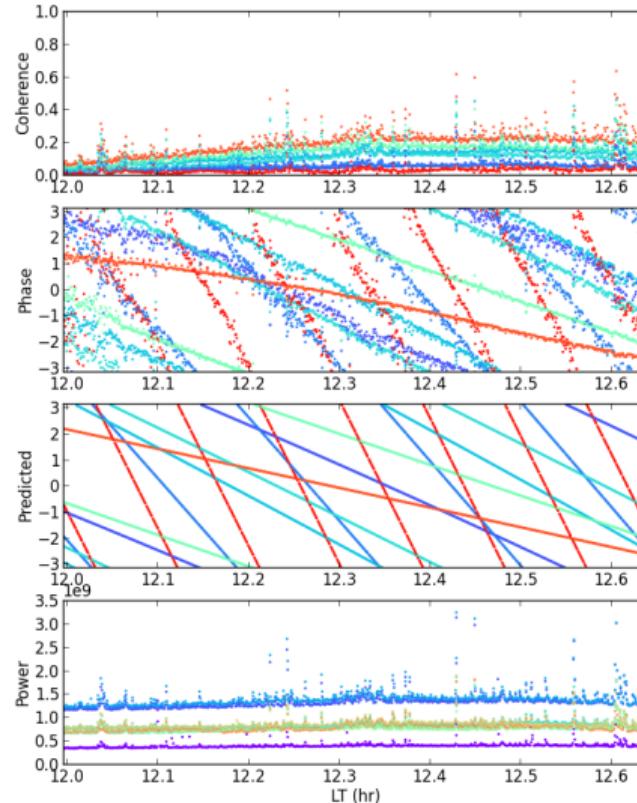
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COLES ET AL.: SOLAR RADAR CROSS SECTION



After W. A. Coles et al., *J. Geophys. Res.*, 111, A04101, 2006.

solar radio bursts



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