Penetrating electric study using ICON observations & MAGE simulations

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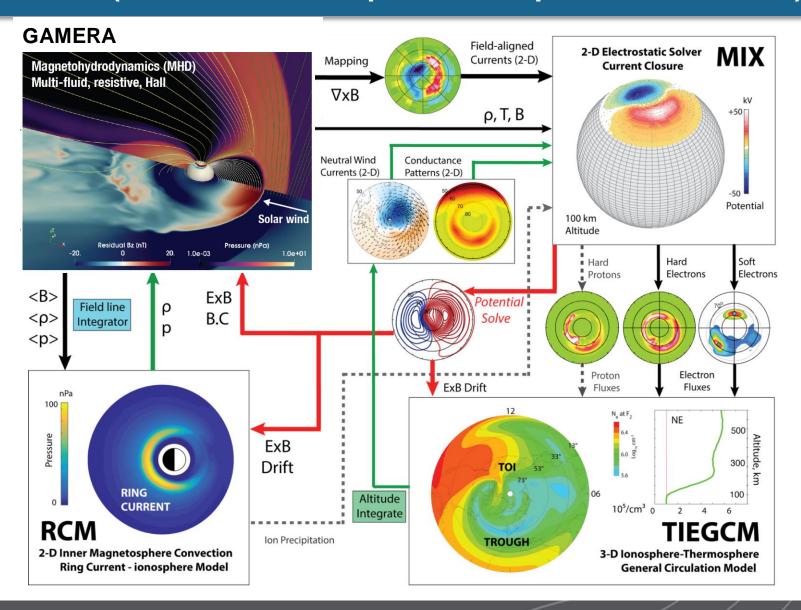




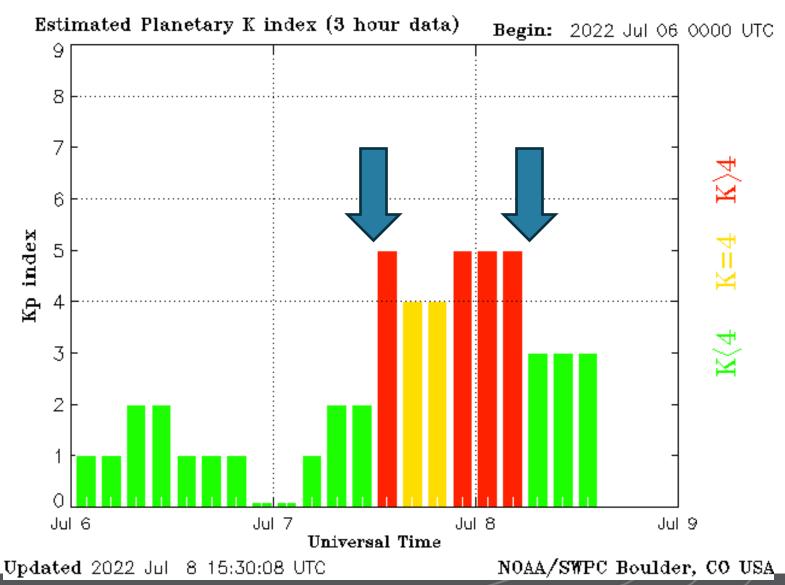
Overview

- Equatorial ionosphere can feel direct penetrating electric field and slow disturbed electric field.
- ❖ It will be a great interest to examine the penetrating electric field with/without disturbed electric field.
- ❖ The recently developed magnetospheric and ionospheric coupling model GTR (GAMERA-TIEGCM-RCM) is well suited for study penetrating electric field. GTR is part of the Multiscale Atmosphere-Geospace Environment (MAGE) modeling effort. We will simulate the penetrating electric field effect.
- ❖ Additionally, we will use the observations from ICON to validate the simulation results. The ion drift and neutral winds are particularly important for understanding the equatorial dynamo.

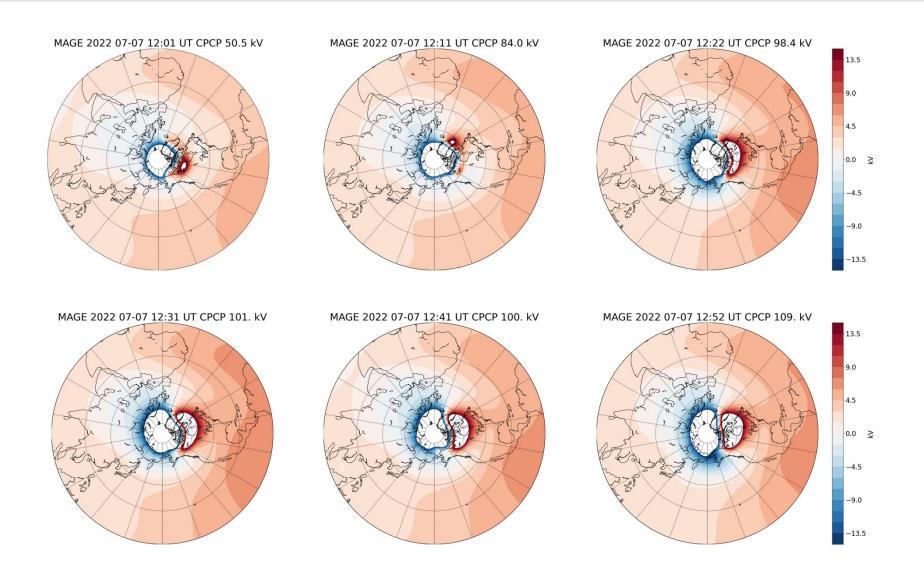
MAGE (Multiscale Atmosphere-Geospace Environment)



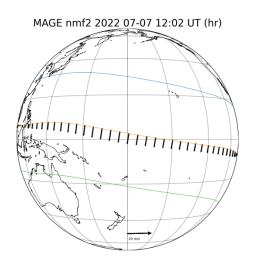
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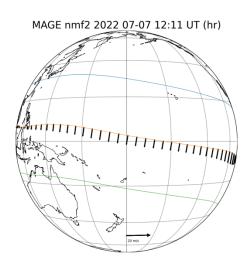


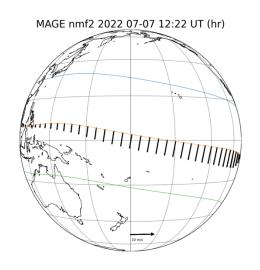
Hemispheric Potential Map 12-13 UT July 7, 2022

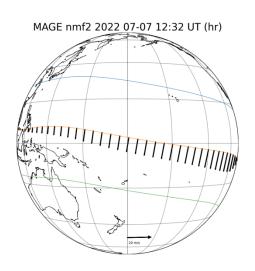


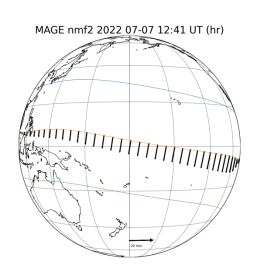
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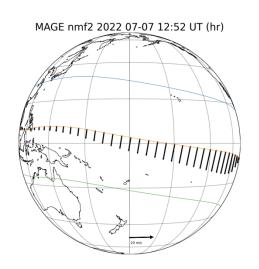




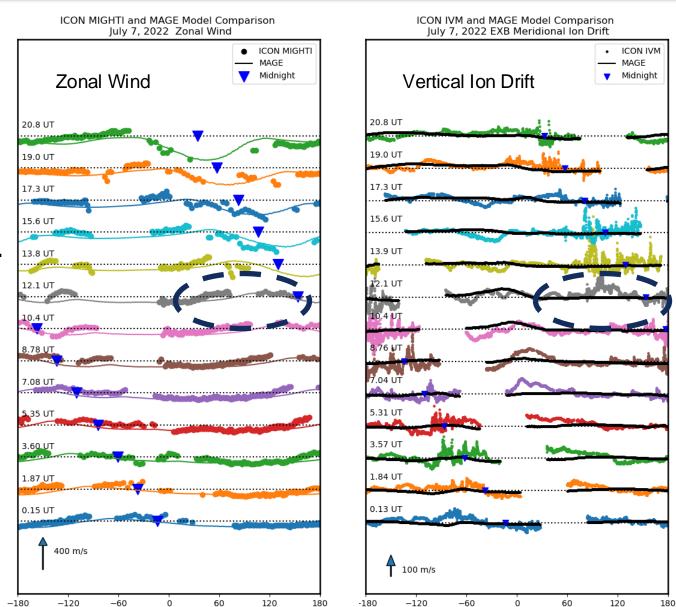








ICON Zonal Wind and Vertical Ion Drift July 7, 2022



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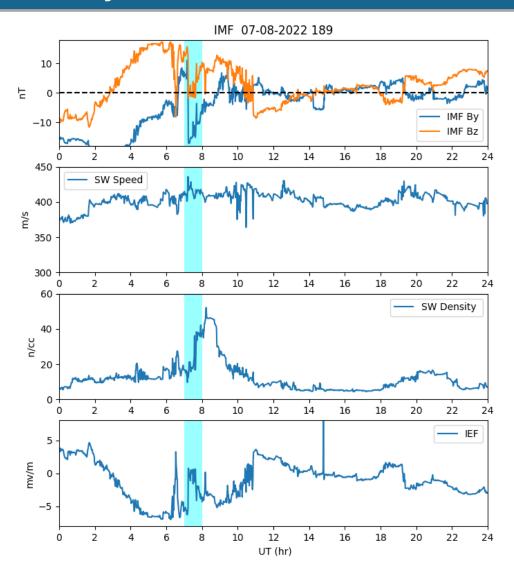
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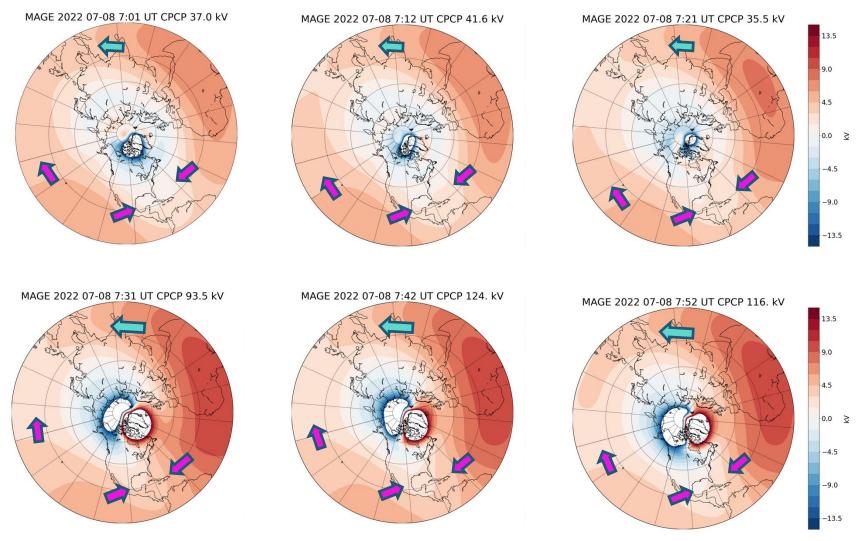
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July 8 2022 IMF Conditions

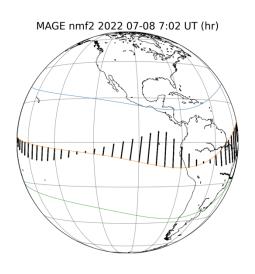


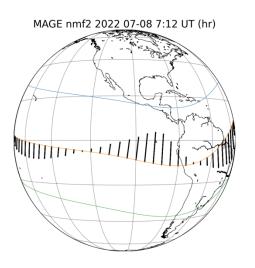
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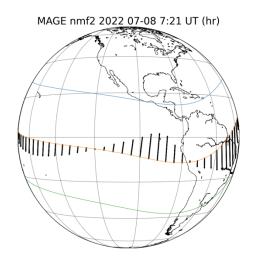


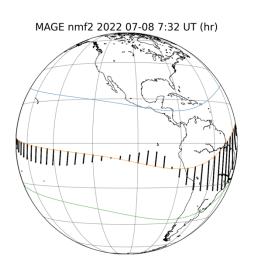
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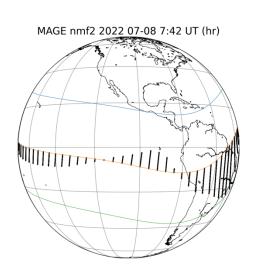
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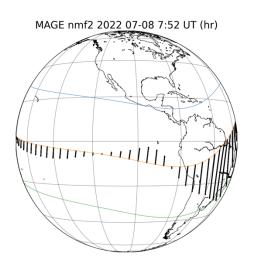




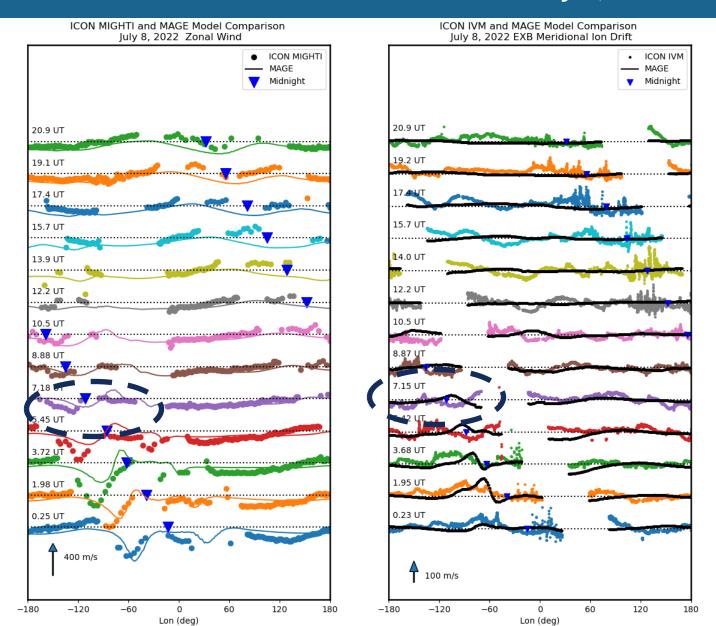








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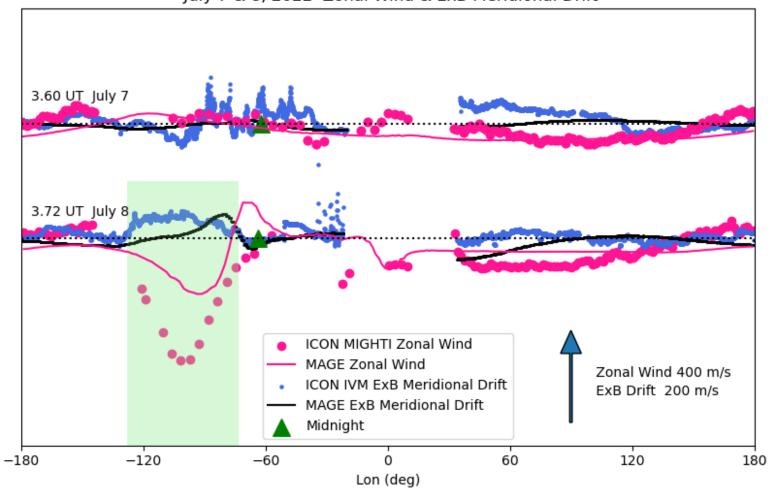


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7-8 UT

Quiet and Disturbed Electric Field ICON Observation vs MAGE Simulation

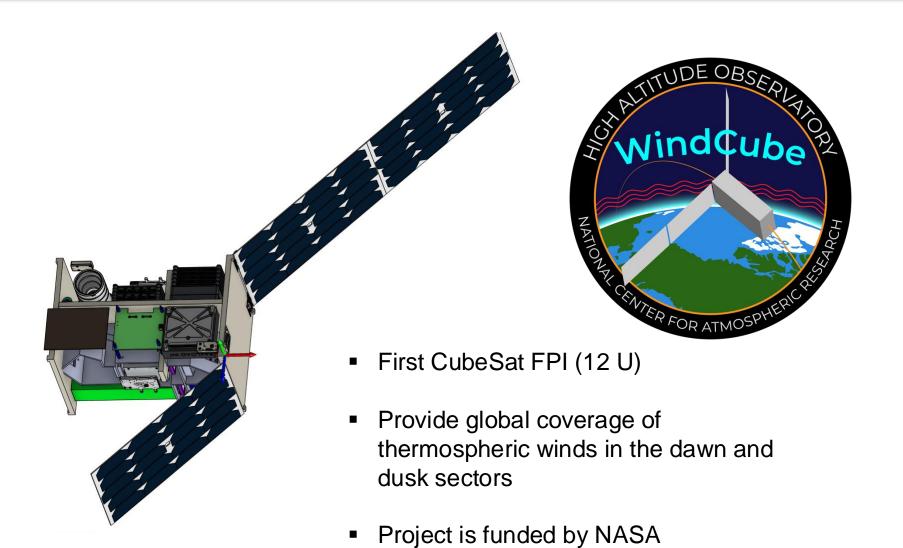




Summary

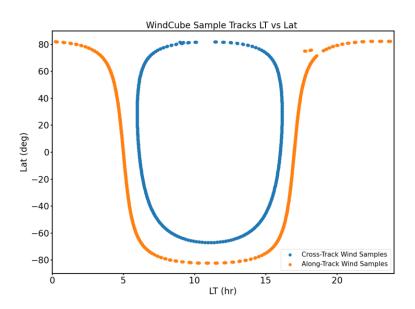
- The July 7-8, 2022 geomagnetic storm event provides an opportunity to examine the penetrating and disturbed electric fields.
- Electric field without disturbance is more uniform on day and nightside
- Disturbed electric field introduces structures on the nightside.
- Penetrating electric field reduces the nightside disturbed electric field.
- MAGE simulation of the disturbed electric field and zonal winds have a good agreement with ICON observations.

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LT vs Lat



Plan to have a sun synch dawn/dusk orbit

Lon vs Lat

