# 太陽風的終點 "太陽風減速→過渡→停止" ???

#### **EDGING INTO THE UNKNOWN**

After 35 years, the Voyager 1 spacecraft may finally be nearing the edge of the Solar System — the heliopause — but the probe's readings are proving difficult to interpret. Its sister craft, Voyager 2, is probably a few years away from reaching the milestone.

#### **VOYAGER 1**

Launched 5 September 1977.
Current distance from Sun:
18.2 billion kilometres.

#### 艏震波?

#### **BOW SHOCK?**

A shock wave of ionized gas.
Latest observations suggest the
Solar System is not moving
through the interstellar medium
fast enough to create one.

#### 星際風由超音速

#### 降為次音速「VOYAGER

Launched 20 August 1977. Current distance from Sun: 14.9 billion kilometres.

INTERSTELLAR 星際空間

#### 太陽風受到星際介質 阻擋而停止之處 HELIOPAUSE 日球層頂

The boundary of the Solar System, where the outward pressure of the heliosphere is in balance with the inward push of the interstellar medium.

#### HELIOSPHERE The extended

日球層

The extended bubble of solar particles streaming into the interstellar medium. It is nearest to the Sun in the direction of the Solar System's motion through space.

### 終止震波

#### TERMINATION SHOCK

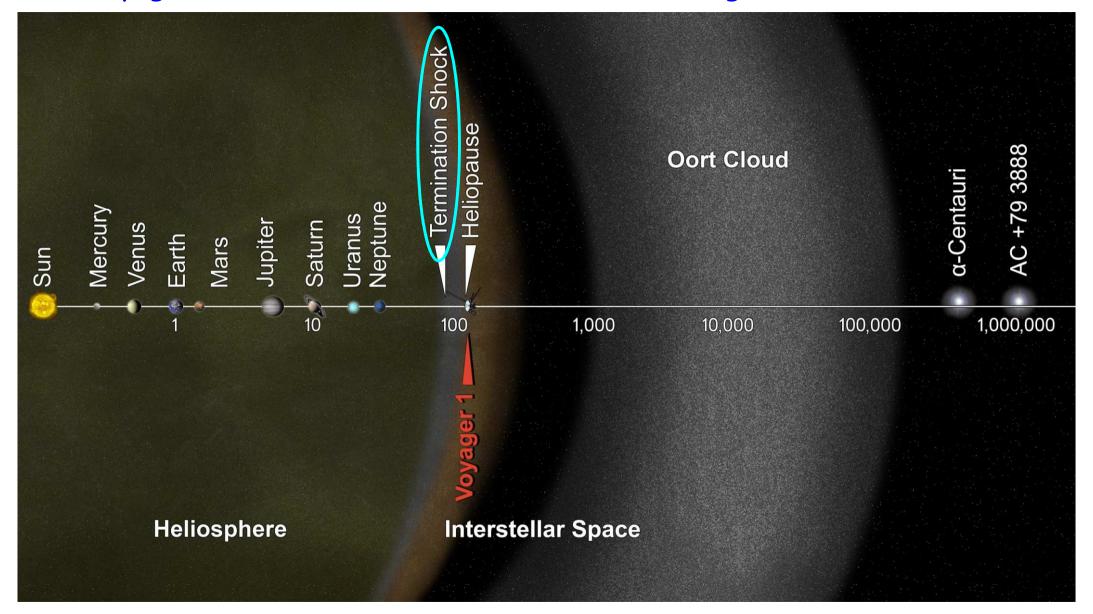
Past this boundary, particles streaming from the Sun slow to subsonic speed. Voyager 1 crossed it in December 2004; Voyager 2 in August 2007.

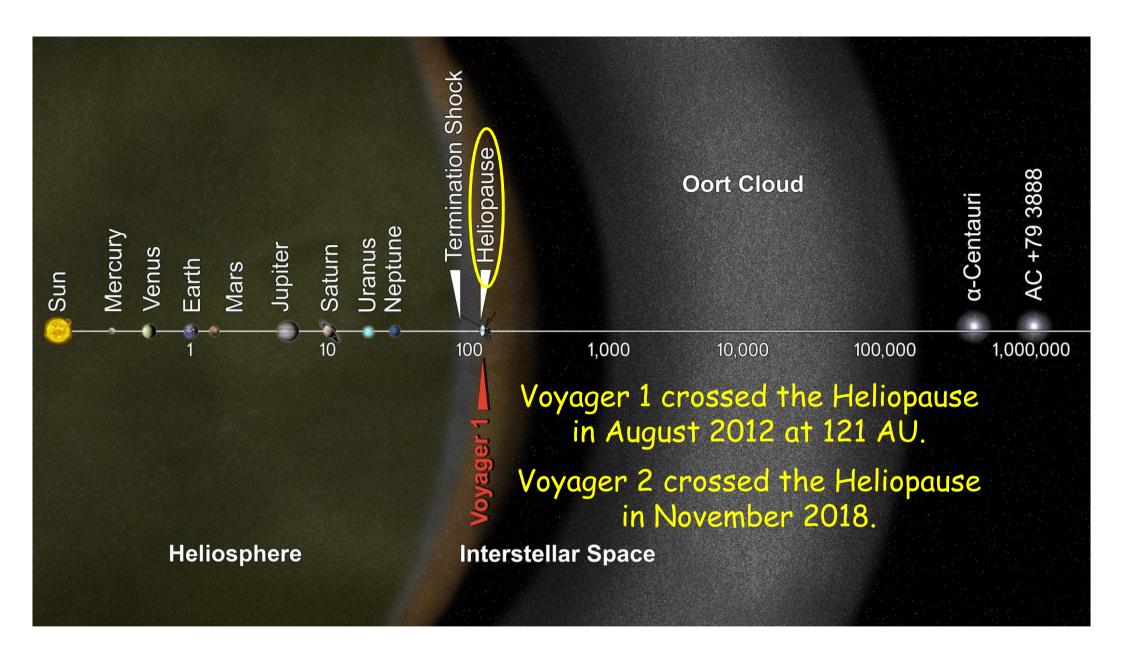
太陽風由超音速減速到次音速

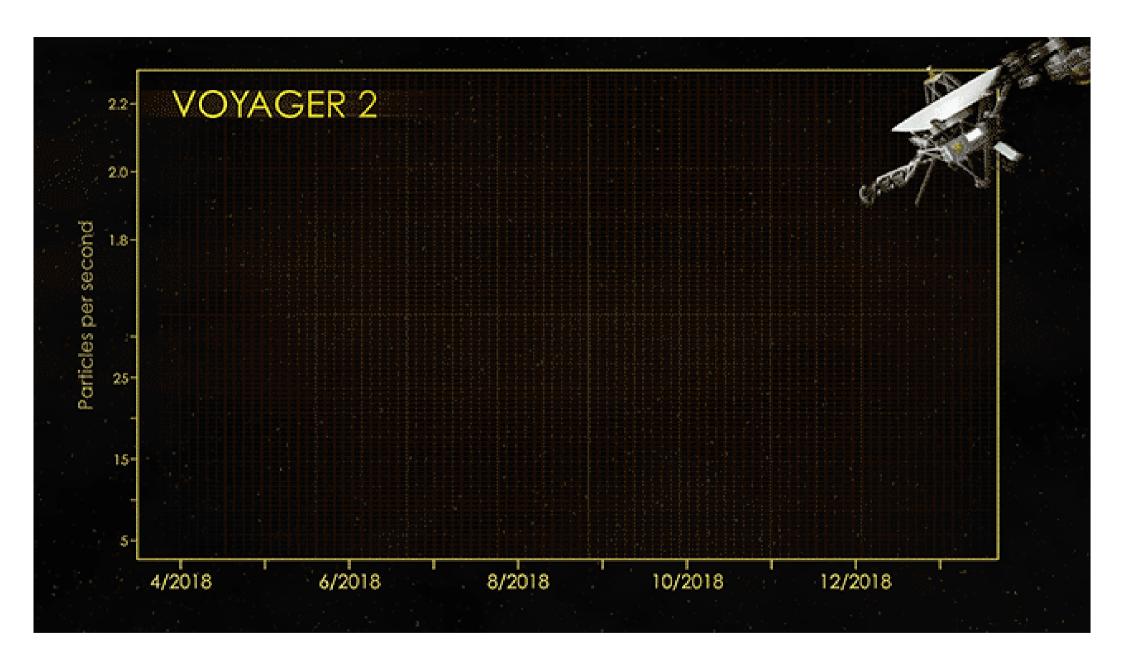
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### Voyager 1 crossed the termination shock in December 2004 at 94 AU. Voyager 2 crossed the termination shock in August 2007 at 84 AU.







# 地球磁層

- →磁層顧名思義是一個由磁場主導的區域,它並不是一個"層" 狀結構。磁層頂為地球磁層的外邊界,是"地球磁場與電漿" 和"太陽風磁場與電漿"交界的邊界層。但磁層與電離層之間 兩者並無明顯的邊界。
- →磁層可視為完全游離的電漿態,磁層中的電漿大多數來自電離層,少數來自太陽風。電離層電漿中的主要正離子成份為氫離子及氧離子,而太陽風電漿中的主要正離子成份為氫離子及氦離子。
- →當太陽風吹向地球時,地球原有的磁偶極場在向陽面會被壓的扁一點,而背陽面的地球磁場,則被拖拉成尾巴狀。整個地球磁場所佔據的勢力範圍,即為磁層。

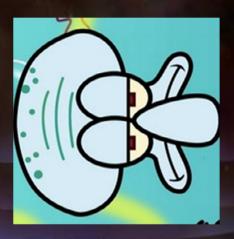
為什麼地球磁場會由簡單的磁偶極場變形成為"日側被擠壓、 夜側被拉長"的模樣? ←太陽風、地球磁層中的電流系統 磁鞘 過渡區 Magnetosheath

> Magnetopause 磁層頂 太陽風與磁層的邊界

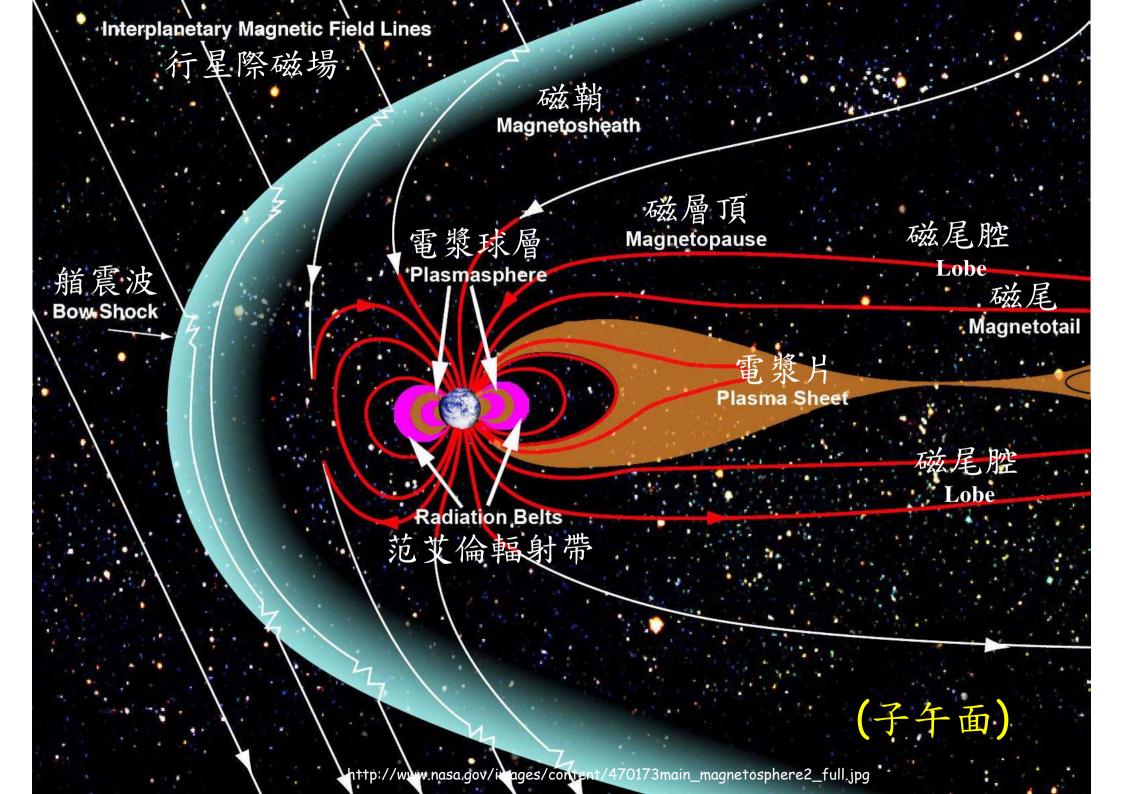
極尖區 Polar Cusp

太陽風由超音速 降為次音速 艏震波 Bow Shock

Magnetotail 磁尾



子午面



### → 艏震波(bow shock)

當高速的太陽風撞擊地球磁層時,因為受到地球磁場的阻擋必須停下來,於是太陽風速大減。當太陽風速由超音速減小到次音速的地方,就會自然的形成一個激震波。因為這個激震波的外型,與船在水中航行時,船首前方所形成的艏波(bow wave)很像,因此又稱為艏震波。

### →磁鞘(magnetosheath)

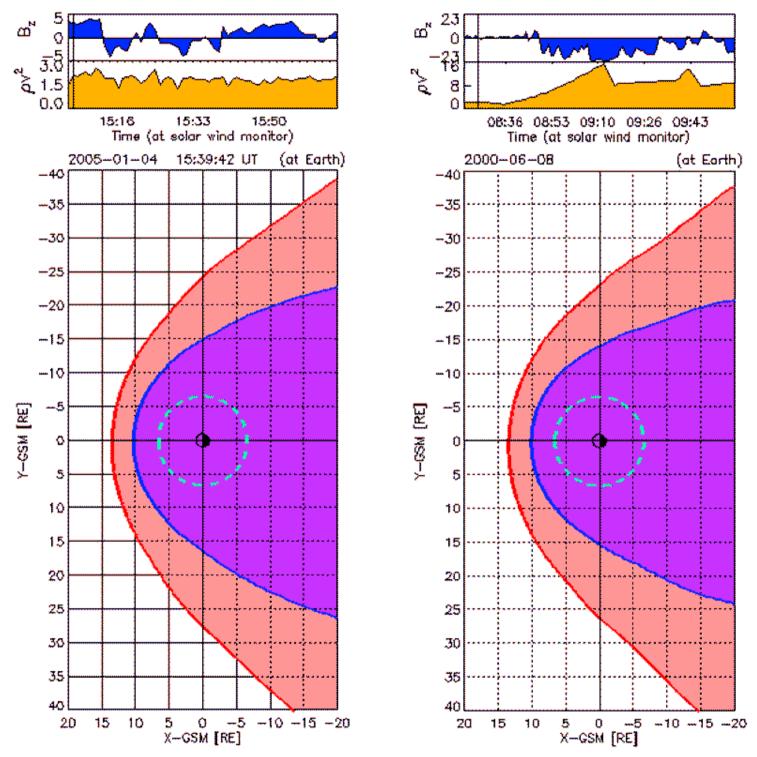
介於艏震波與磁層頂之間的亂流區域。磁場擾動大,本區電漿可來自磁層及太陽風。

### →磁層頂(magnetopause)

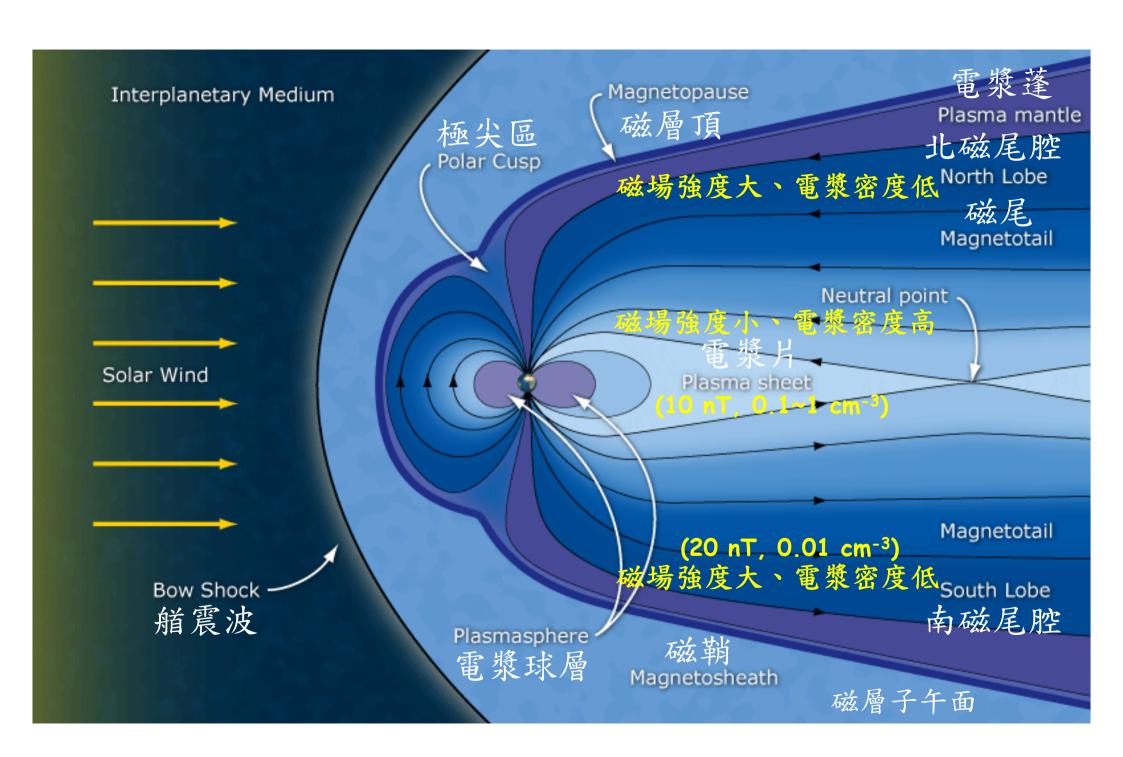
位於磁層與太陽風接壤處的明顯邊界。內側為磁層電漿,密度低、溫度高。外側為磁鞘電漿,密度高、溫度低。

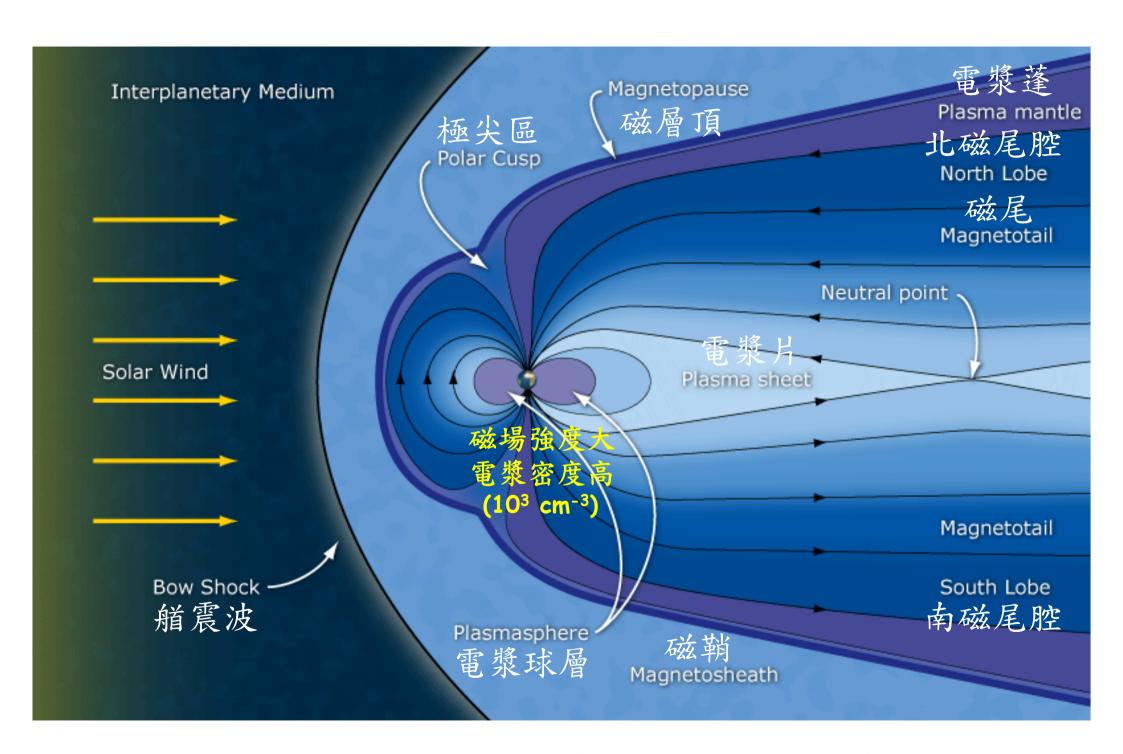
### →極尖區(polar cusp)

位於南北磁極呈喇叭狀的區域,該區的磁場線與太陽風中的行星際磁場線相接,使得太陽風的電漿可沿著磁場線直接進入極尖區。



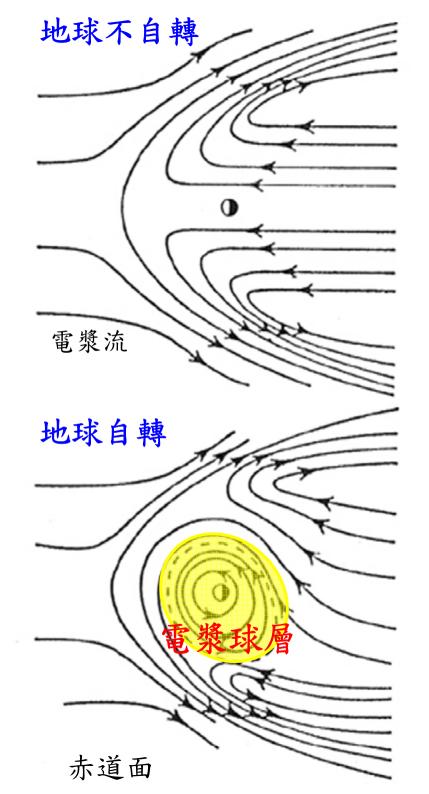
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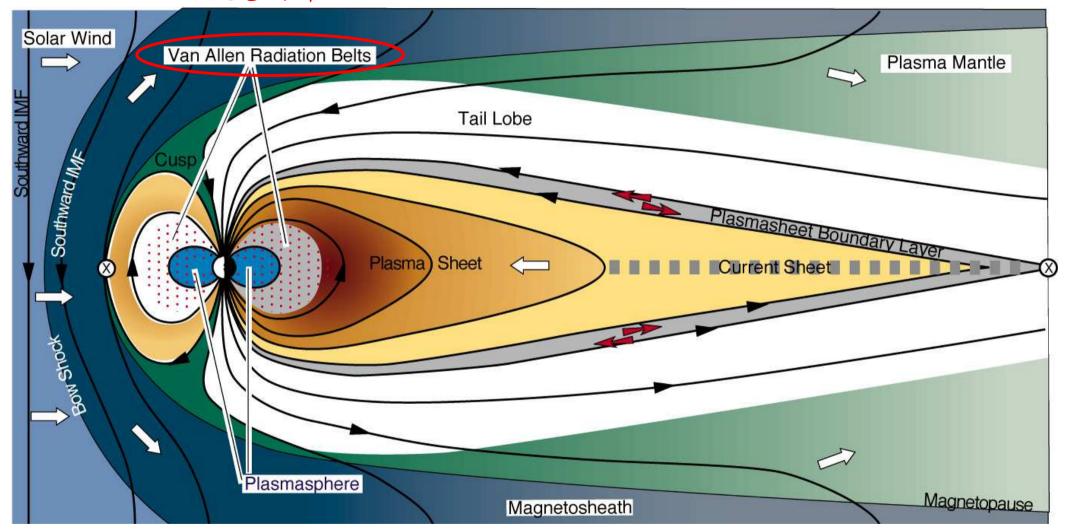


### →電漿球層(plasmasphere)

離地球最近的內磁層區域,該區磁場很強、電漿密度也很高。。 形成與地球自轉有密切的關係、電漿型層的電漿主要來自中子的高能之數的高能之來自一一個人數的高能之來自一一個人數的高能是電漿片及外太空。

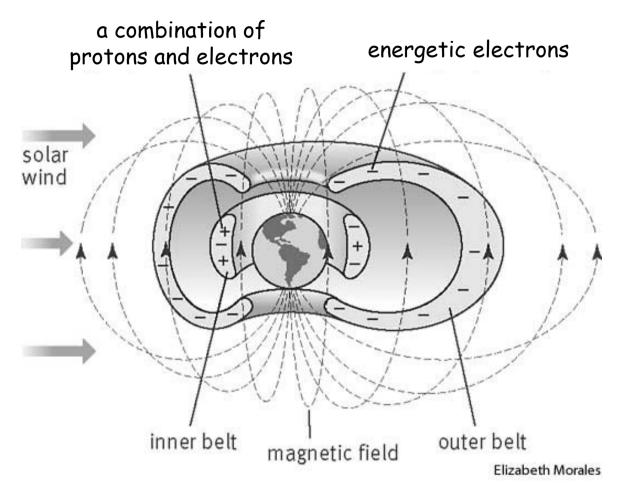


#### 范艾倫帶



地球磁層子午面

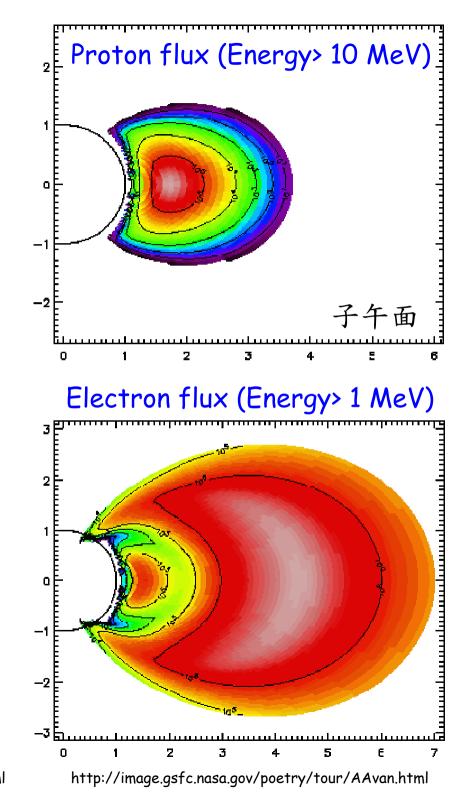
### → 范艾倫帶(Van Allen Radiation Belt)



一般來說,內范艾倫帶裡的高能質子多,外范艾倫帶裡的高能電子多。

內范愛倫帶約位於1~2個地球半徑上空,而外范愛倫帶約位於4~5個地球半徑上空。

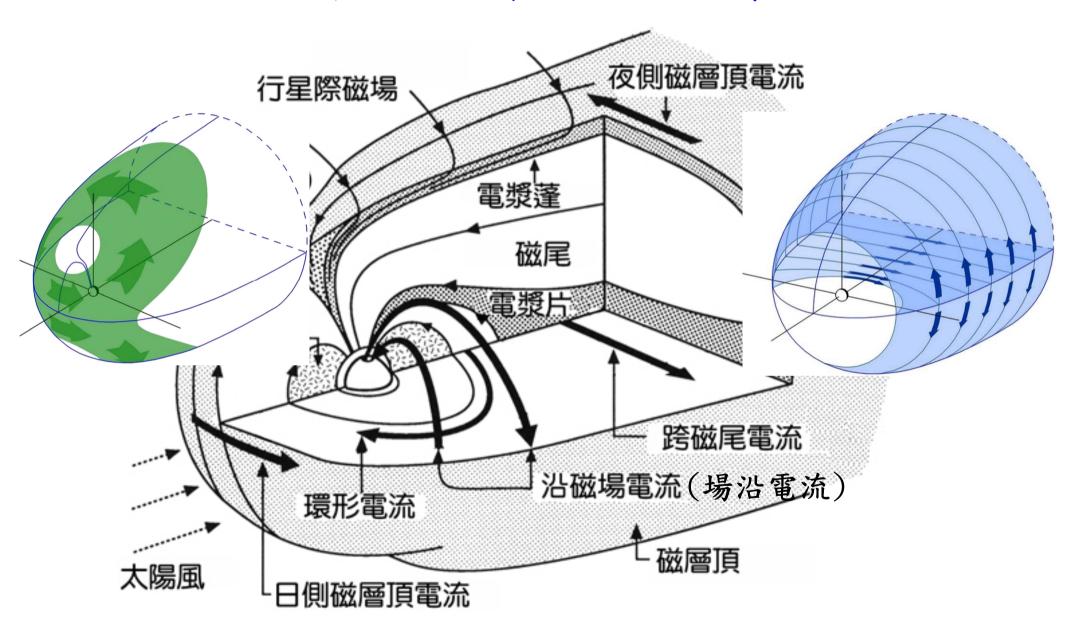
內、外范愛倫輻射帶的分 野可由高能電子的分布圖 看出來。



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## 地球磁層電流系統



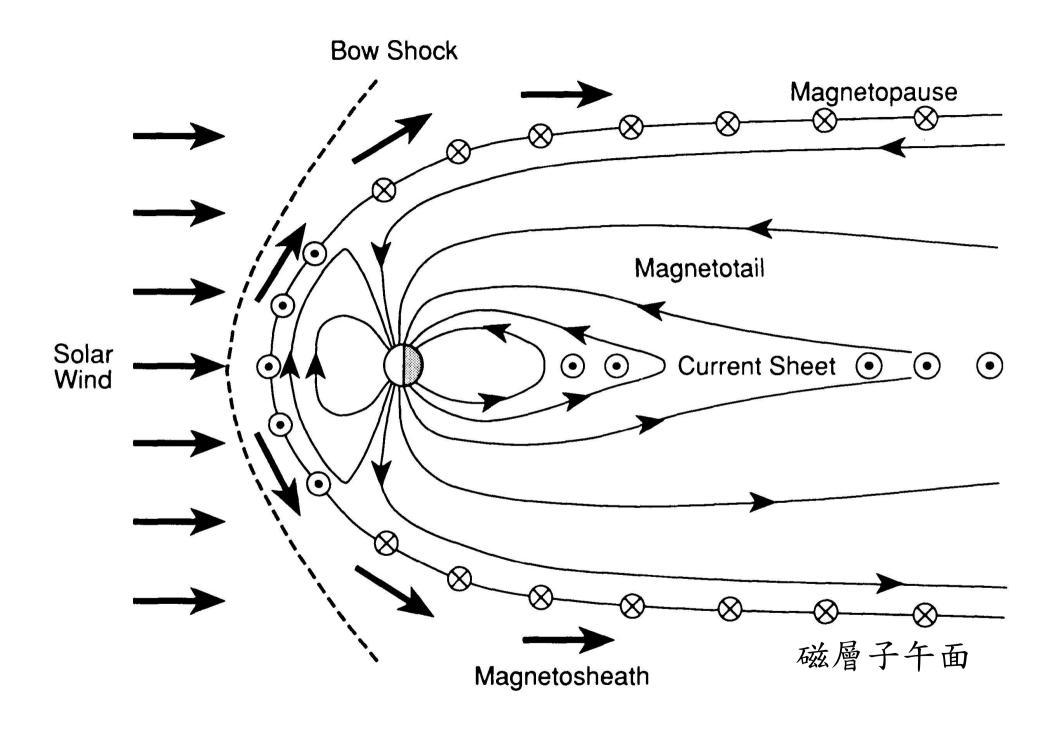
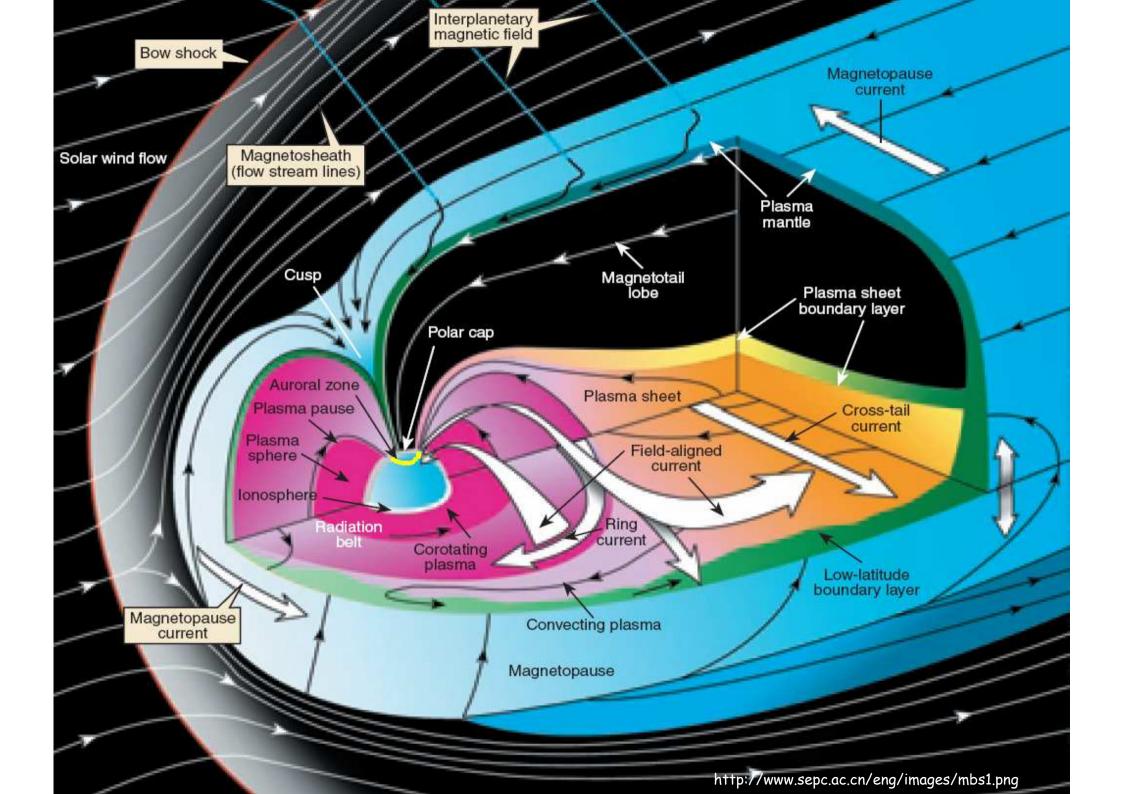
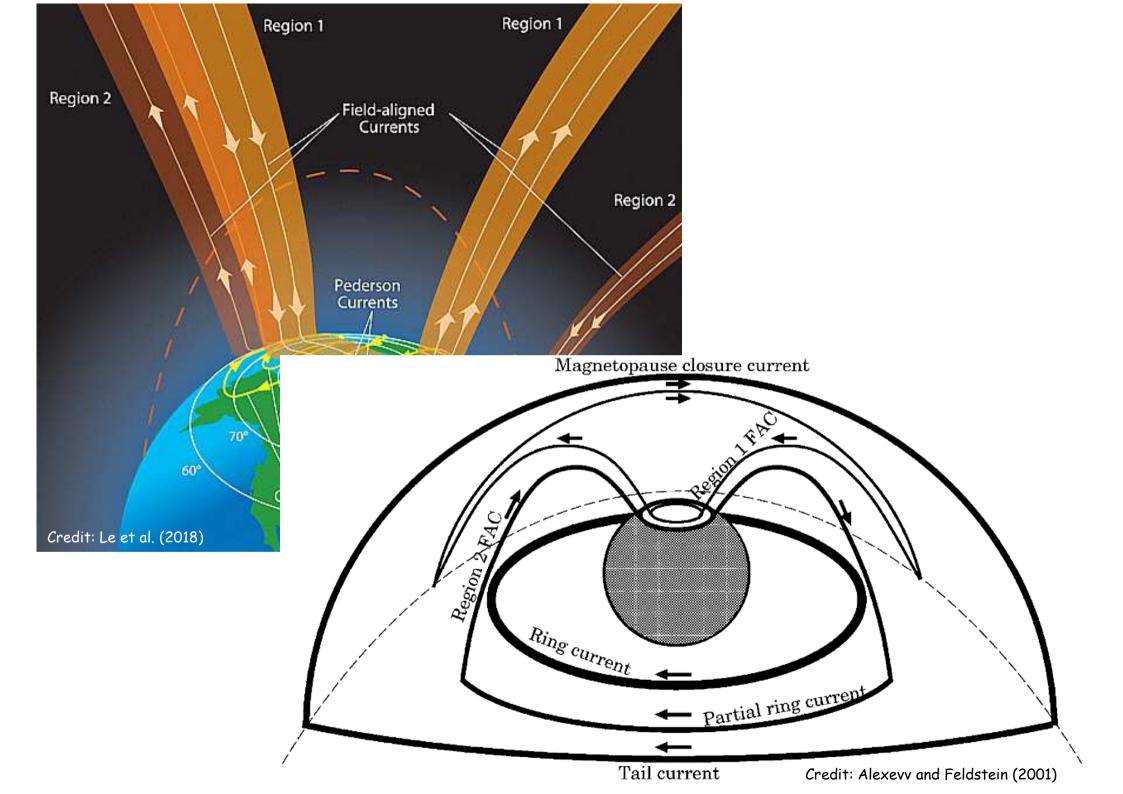


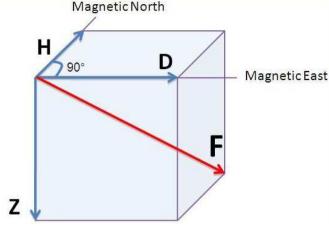
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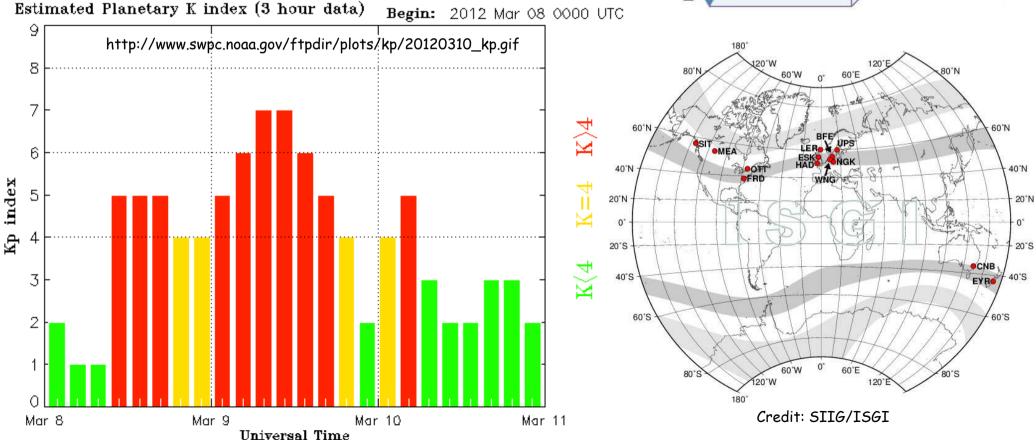




## Kp Index

The Kp index is estimated from the average of the disturbance levels in the most disturbed horizontal magnetic field component (H or D) at 13 selected mid-latitude stations during three-hour period.





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# 磁暴(magnetic storm)

- →持續時間約3天至一個多星期
- →影響地表中低緯度區域
- →過程:

### initial phase:

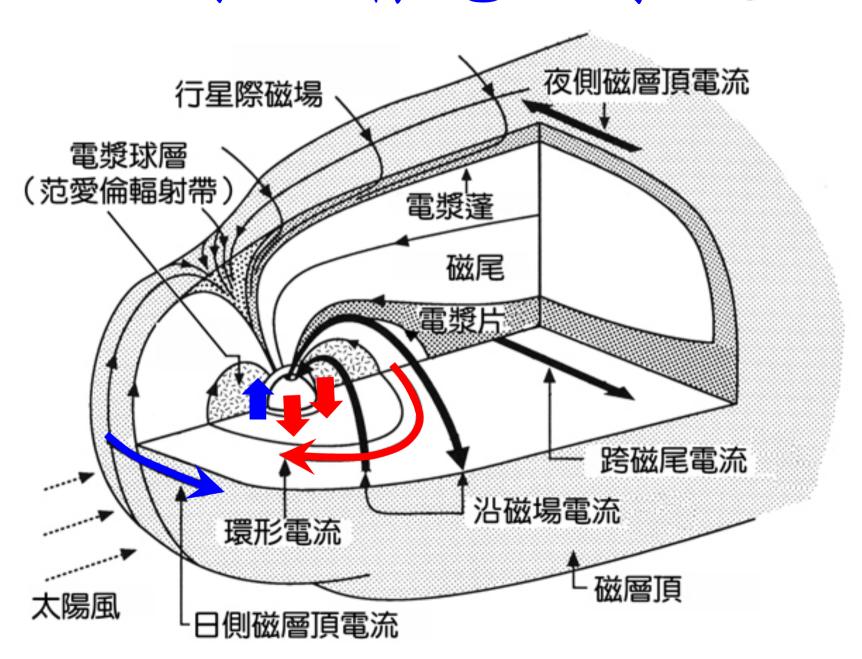
日側磁層頂內移,日側磁層頂電流強度增強,中低緯地表北向磁場分量增強

#### main phase:

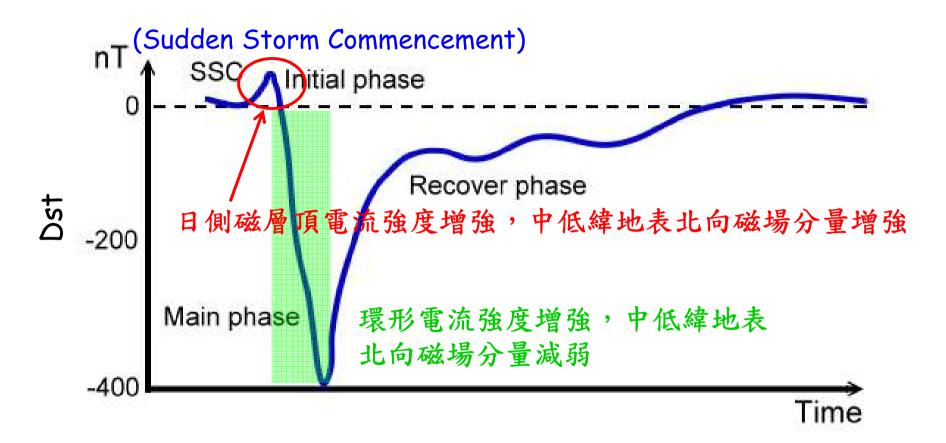
電漿球層頂內移,范愛倫輻射帶的高能粒子數目增多,環形電流強度增強,中低緯北向磁場分量減弱recovery phase:

磁層頂與電漿球層頂還原到安靜期的位置

## 地球磁層電流系統



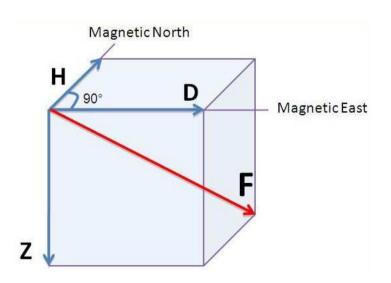
### DST (Disturbance Storm Time) Index

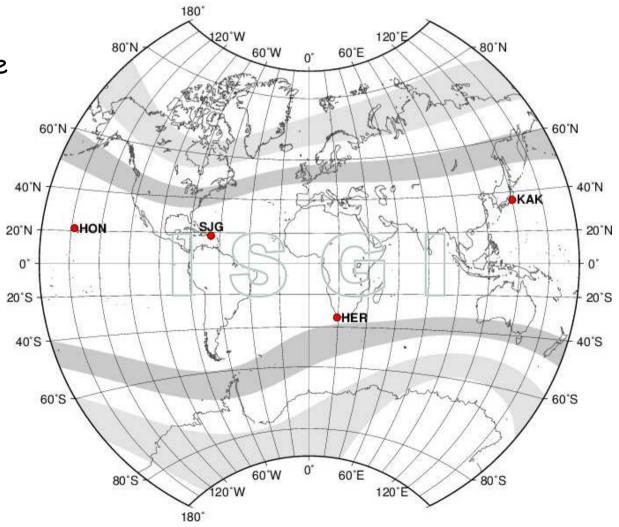


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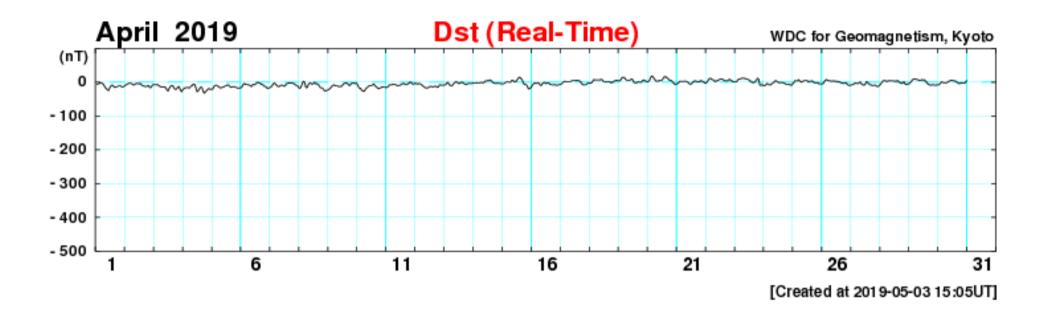
Dst is derived from the average of H (northward) component disturbances of the geomagnetic field measured hourly at four low-latitude magnetic observatories and is expressed in nanoteslas.

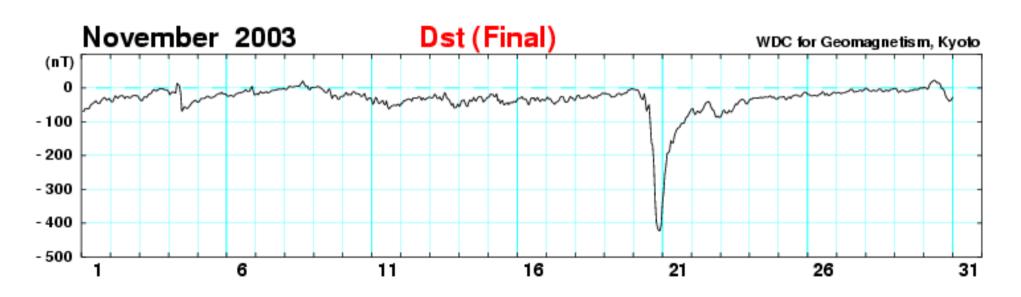
Dst is a geomagnetic index which monitors the world-wide magnetic storm level and has long been used as an indirect measure of the ring current.





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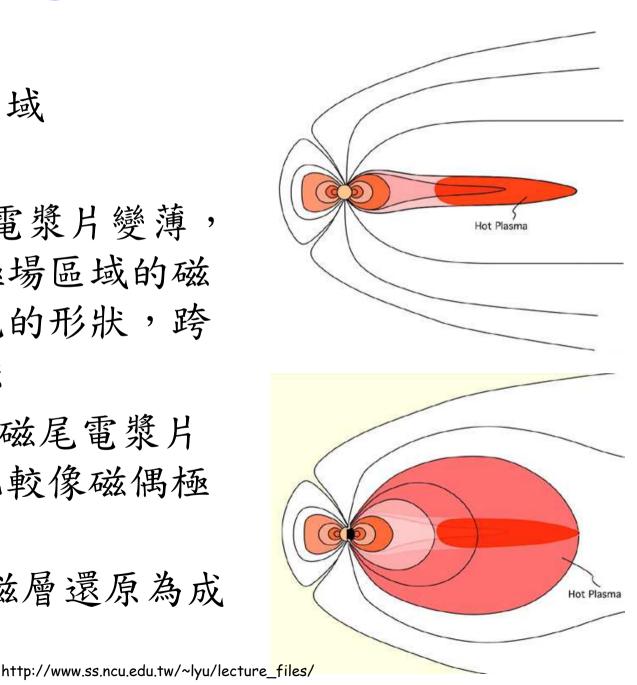
# 磁副暴(magnetic substorm)

- →持續時間約3小時
- →影響地表高緯度區域
- →過程:

grow phase:磁尾電漿片變薄,連原來接近磁偶極場區域的磁場也被拉長成磁尾的形狀,跨磁尾電流逐漸增強

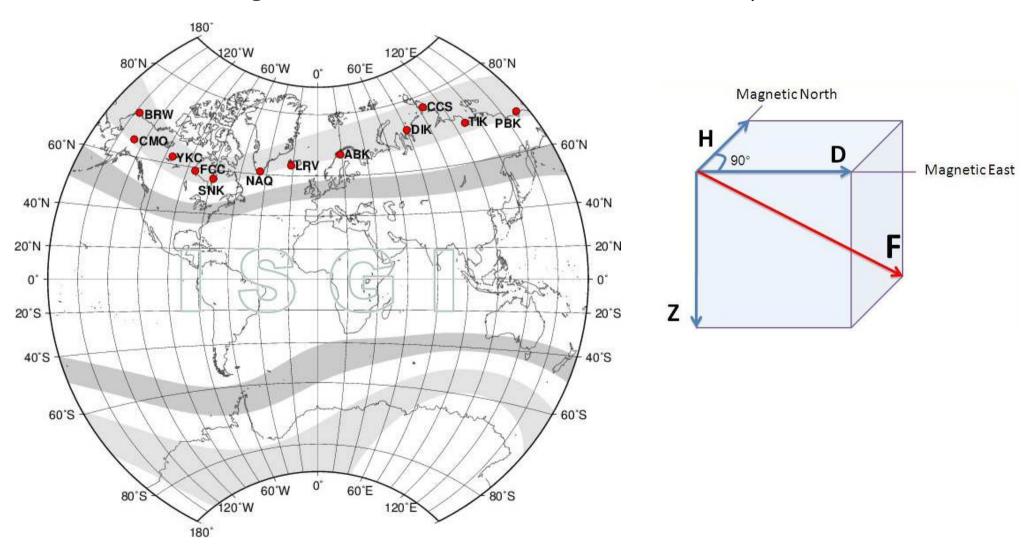
expansion phase:磁尾電漿片變厚,磁場變成比較像磁偶極場的結構。

recovery phase:磁層還原為成長期以前的模樣



### AE (Auroral Electrojet) Index

The AE indices (AU, AL, AO, and AE) are derived from geomagnetic variations in the horizontal component during one-minute interval observed at selected observatories along the auroral zone in the northern hemisphere.



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## 磁暴與磁副暴

