

# *Effects of auroral potential drops $\Delta\Phi_{||}$ on MI coupling*

## Ionospheric diagnostics

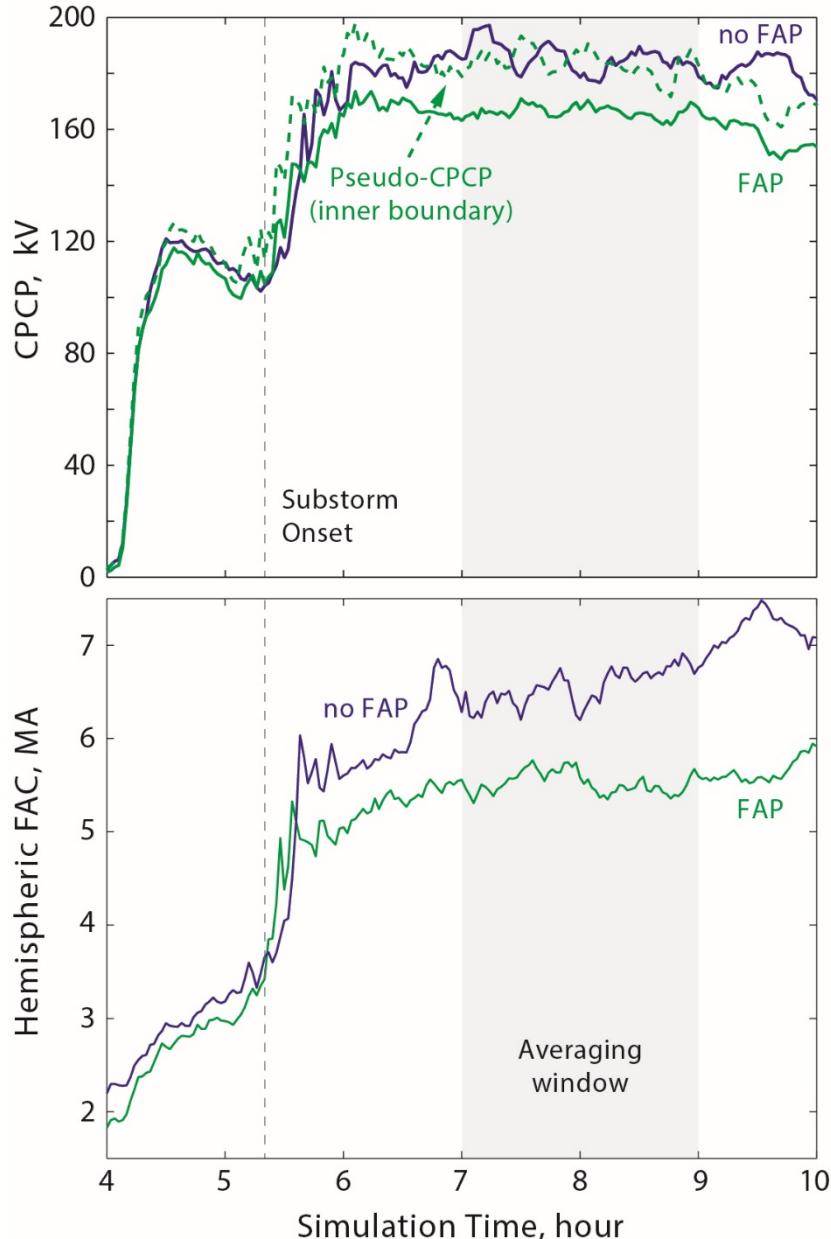
### CPCP and FACs

Constant conductance

Experiment:  $\Sigma_P = 5S$ ,  $\Sigma_H = 0$

Dayside reconnection potential is the same with and w/o  $\Delta\Phi_{||}$ .

Hemispheric FAC is lower with  $\Delta\Phi_{||}$  because the effective resistance in the global circuit is larger.

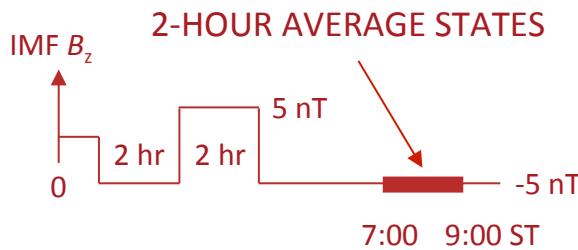


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## Magnetospheric diagnostics: X-line and flows

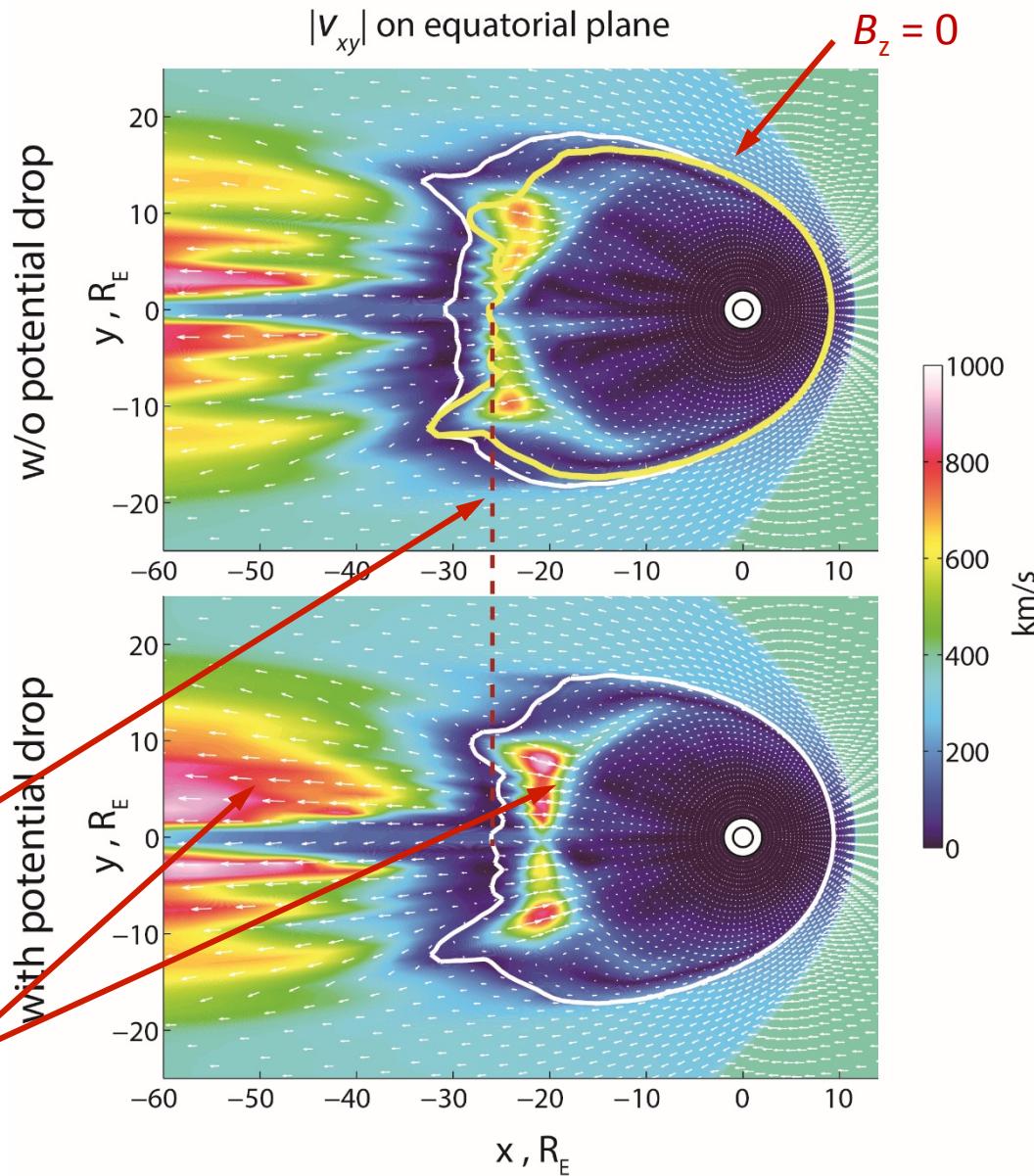
$$\Sigma_P = 5S$$

$$\Sigma_H = 0$$

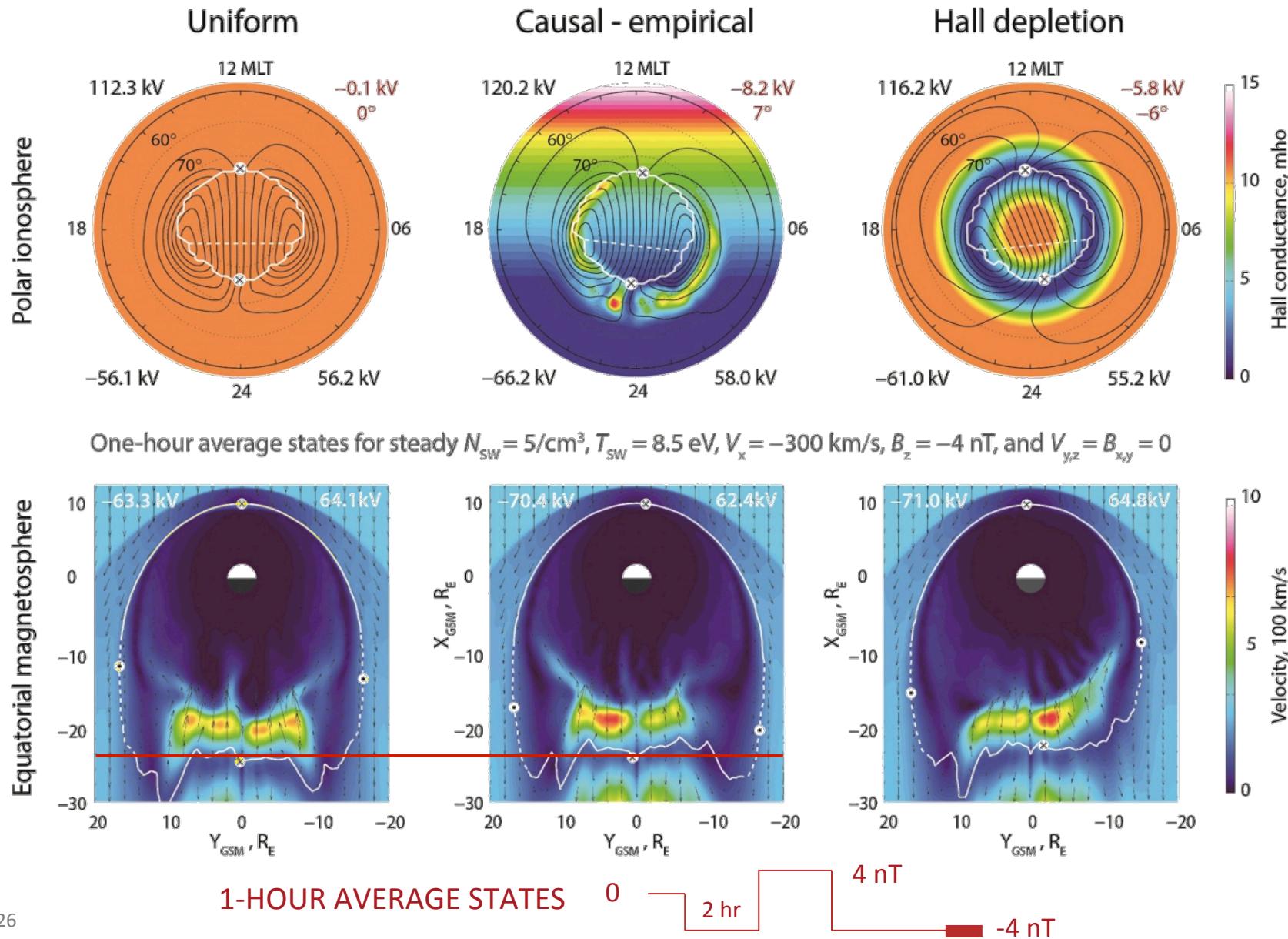


## With potential drops

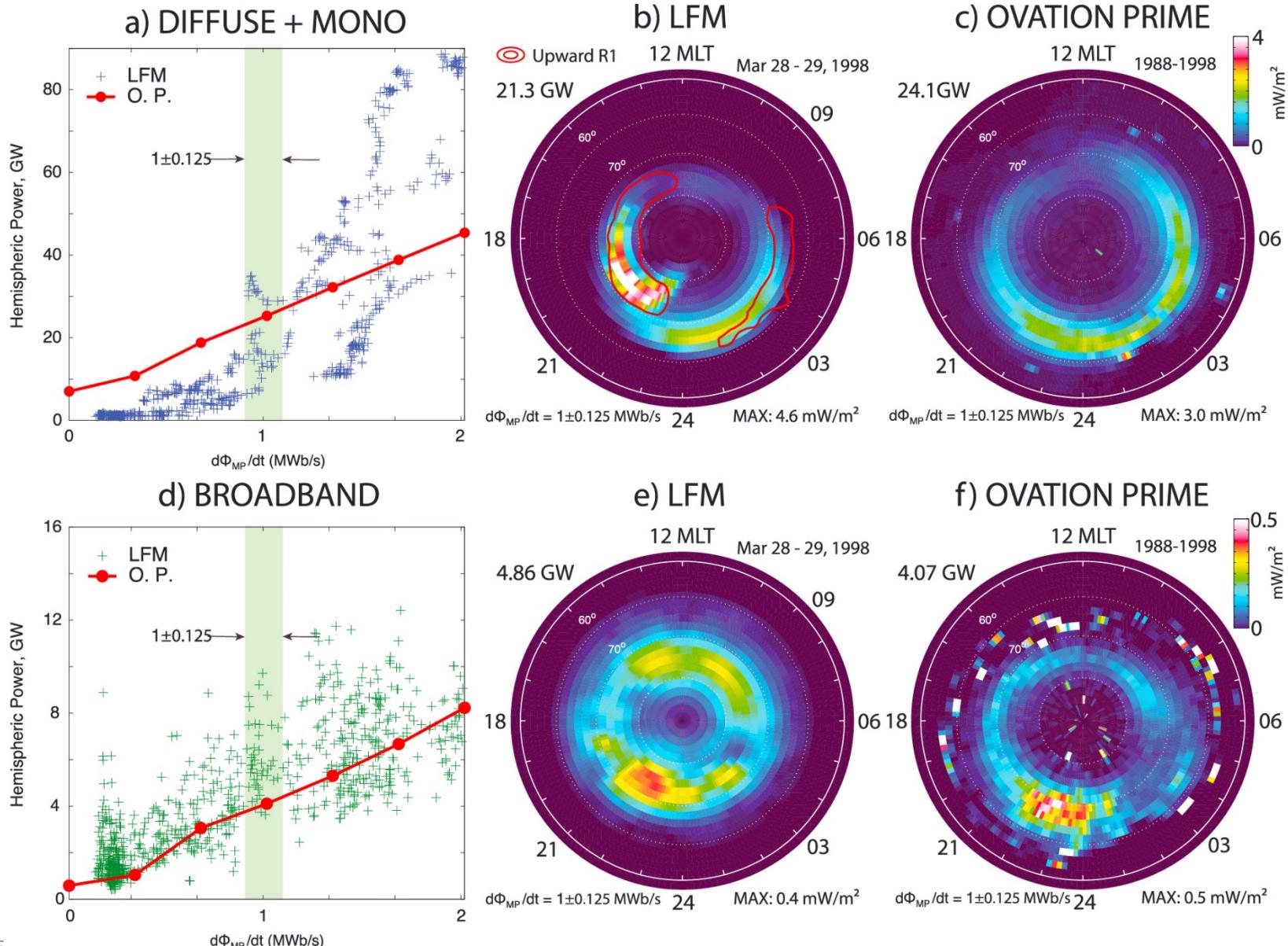
- Tail x-line moves earthward
- Reconnection exhaust flow velocities increase



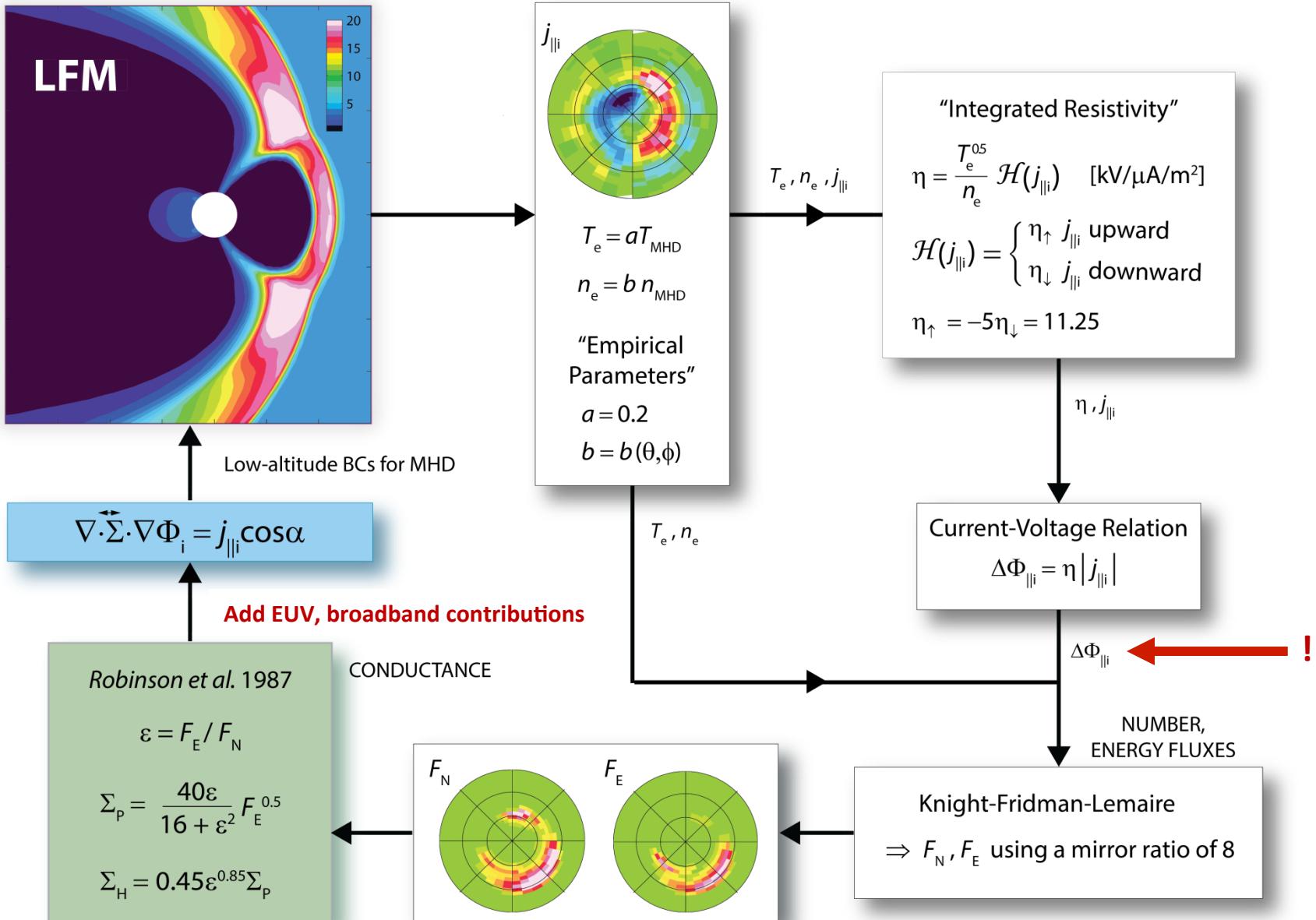
# Effects of ionospheric conductance on MI coupling



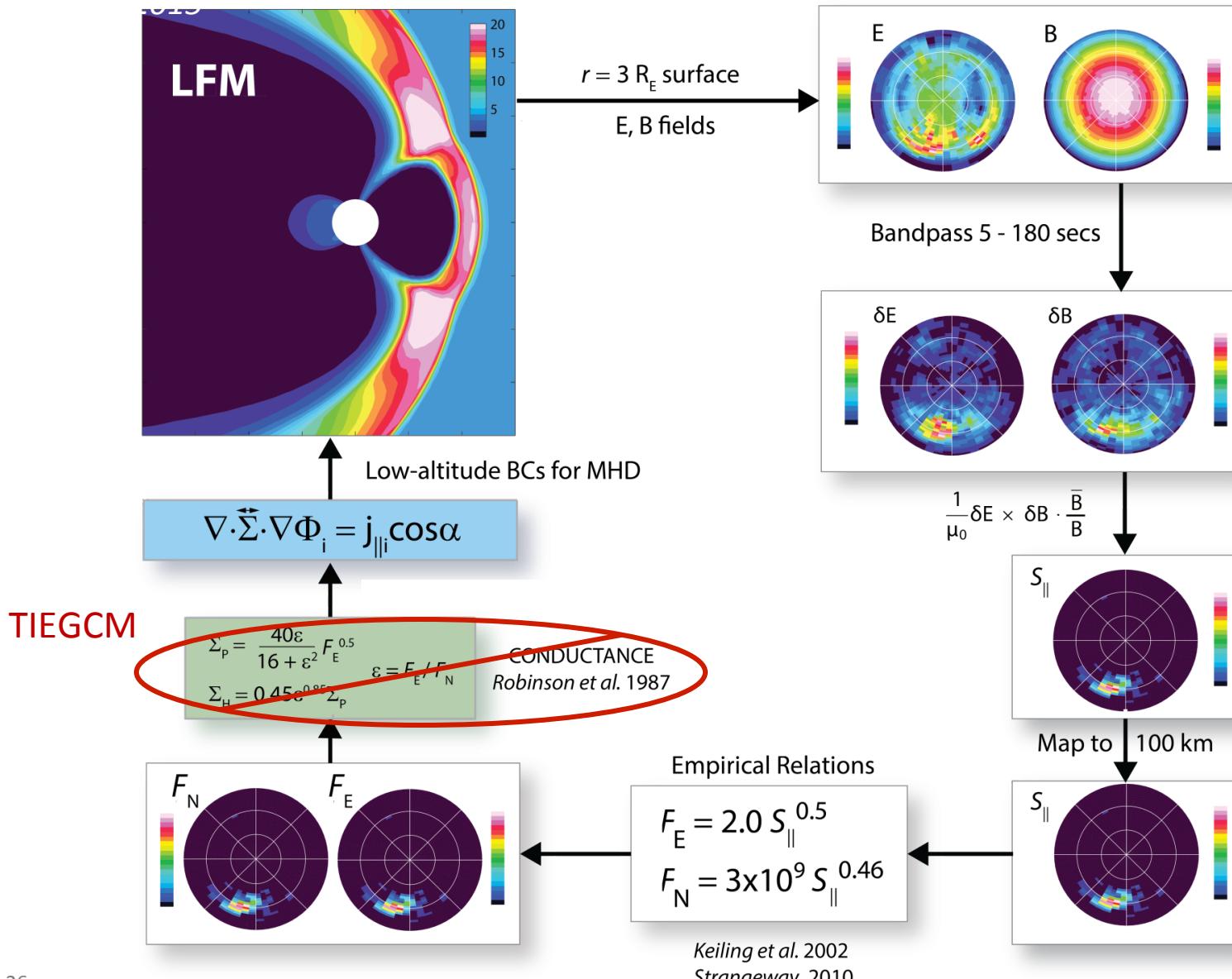
# Electron precipitation models in global magnetosphere simulations



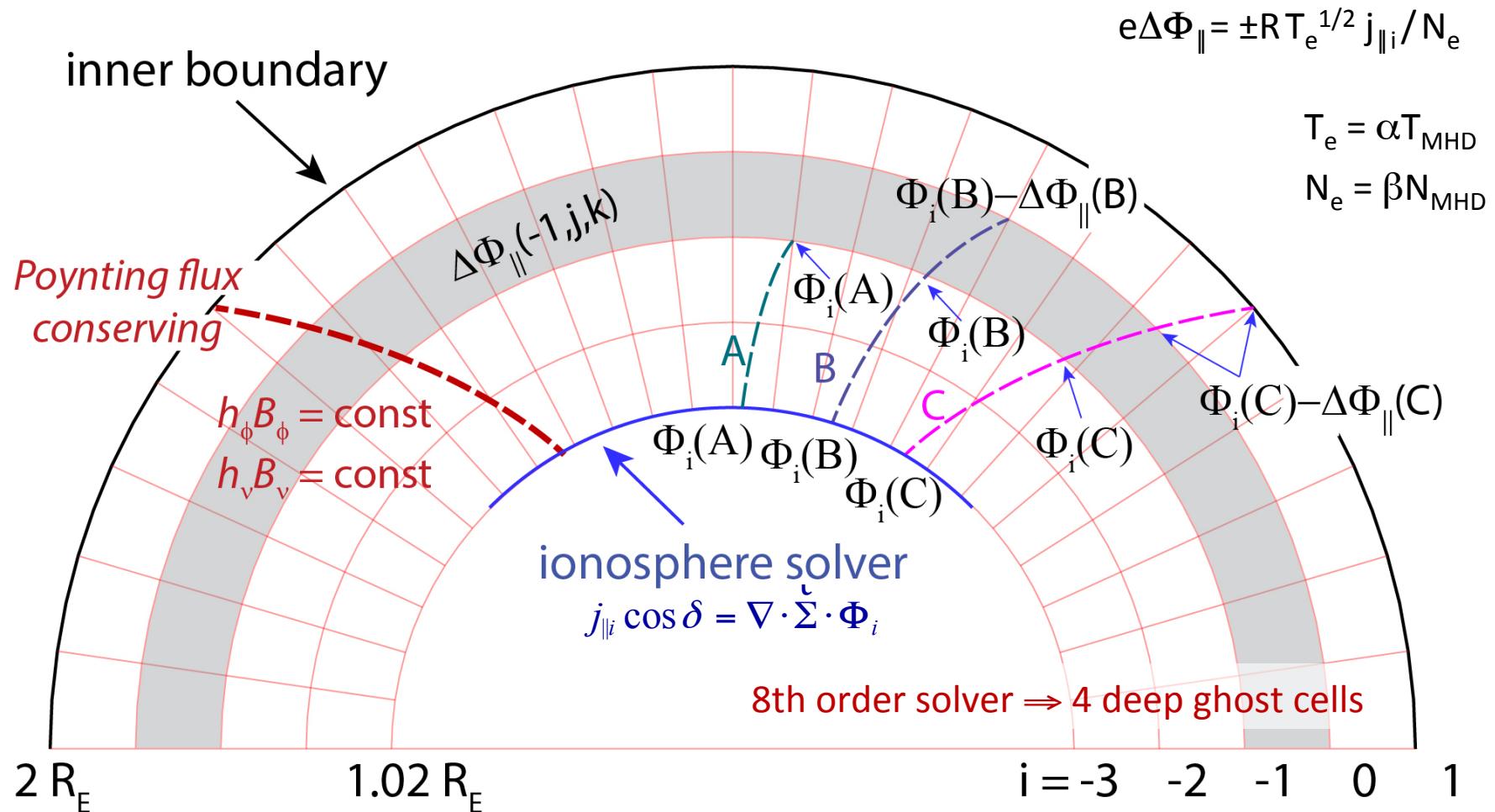
# LFM's algorithm for diffuse and monoenergetic electron precipitation



# Empirical model for broadband electron precipitation



# Including auroral potential drops $\Delta\Phi_{||}$ in MI coupling



**SW/IMF:**  $V_x = 400 \text{ km/s}$ ,  $N_{SW} = 5 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ,  $C_s = 40 \text{ km/s}$ ,  $B_z = -5 \text{ nT}$ ,  $V_y = V_z = B_x = B_y = 0$