

Jovian Interior as unveiled by a high-resolution Magnetic Field and Secular Variation model

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JUPITER

- Largest planet of the Solar System
Equatorial Radius (R_J) – 71,492 km
- Distance from Sun – 5.2 AU
Fifth planet
- Gaseous Giant
- Over 70 moons

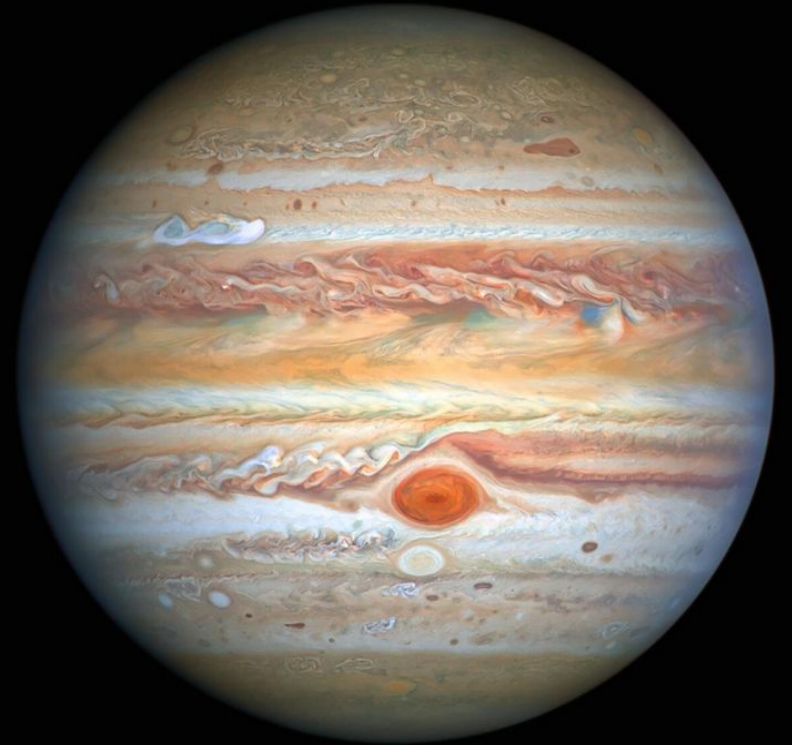


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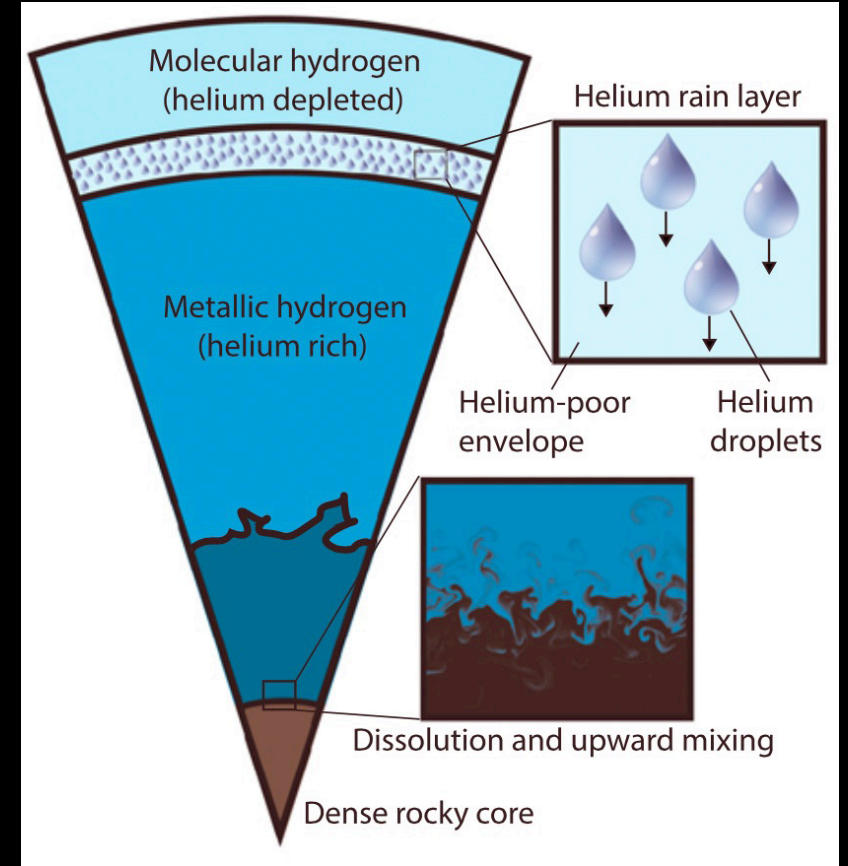
INTERIOR OF JUPITER

- Core

solid: heavy metals ($0.2 R_J$)
possibly dilute ($0.2 R_J - ??$)

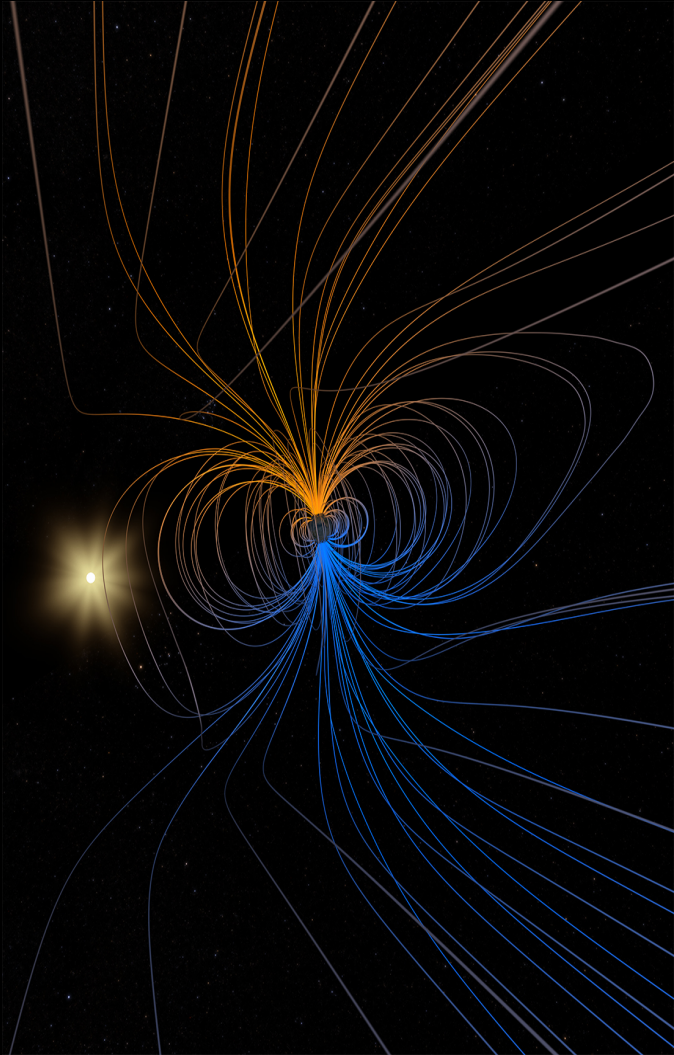
- Envelopes

liquid metallic H + He ($?? - 0.68 R_J$)
transition layer: H-He phase separated layer
($0.68 - 0.84 R_J$)
gaseous molecular H + He ($0.84 - 1 R_J$)



Wahl et al. 2017

MAGNETIC FIELDS



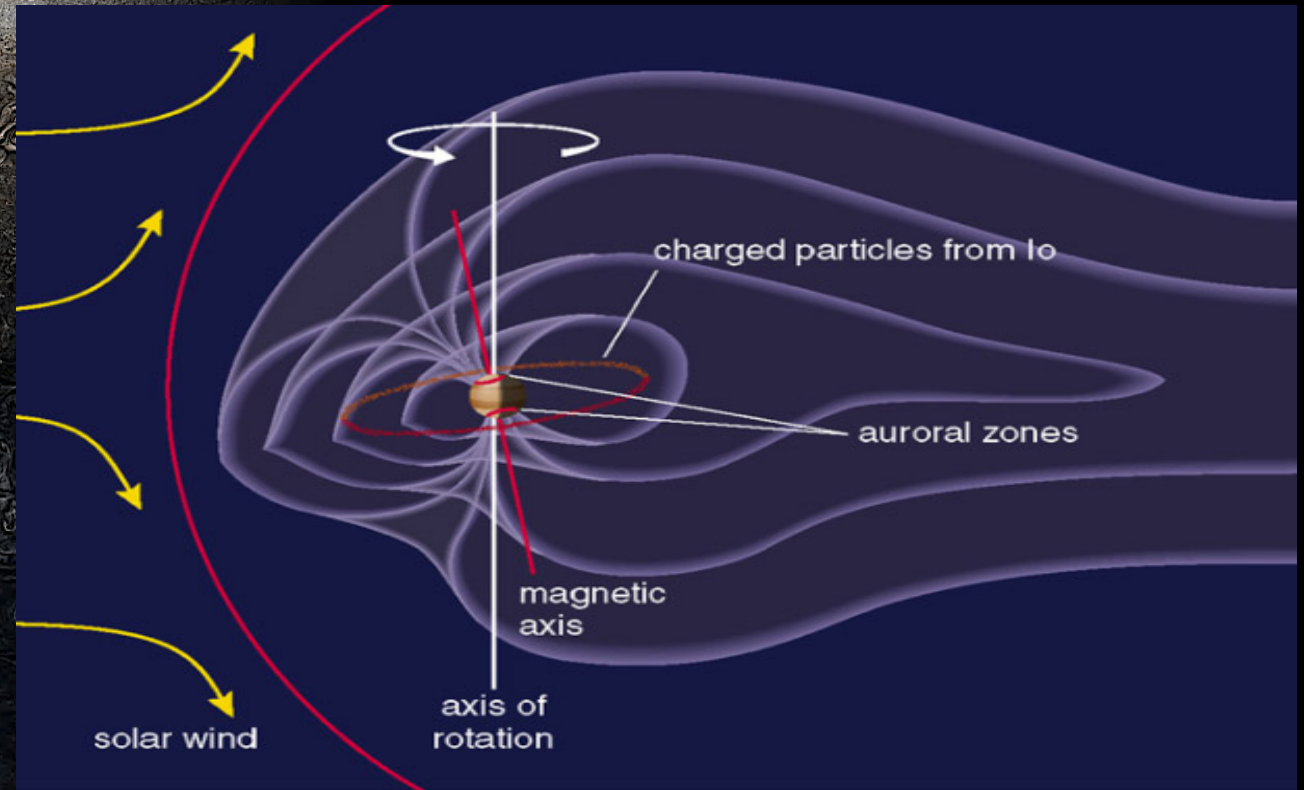
Dynamo action due to convection of an electrically conductive fluid in rotating deep planetary envelopes

- But at what depth ??
- How does it change with time ??

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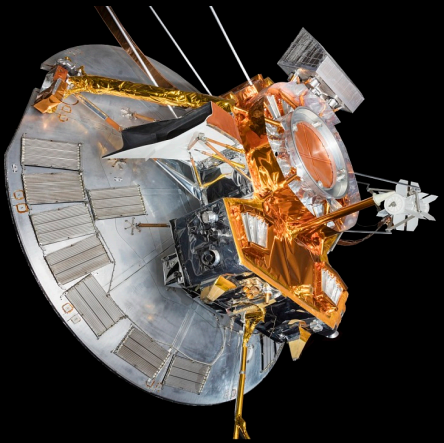
MAGNETIC FIELD OF JUPITER

- $MF_{\text{Jupiter}} \sim 30 MF_{\text{Earth}}$
- Internal field – metallic hydrogen
- External field – current systems surrounding the planet (e.g., plasma produced by Io)



SATELLITES – FLY BY

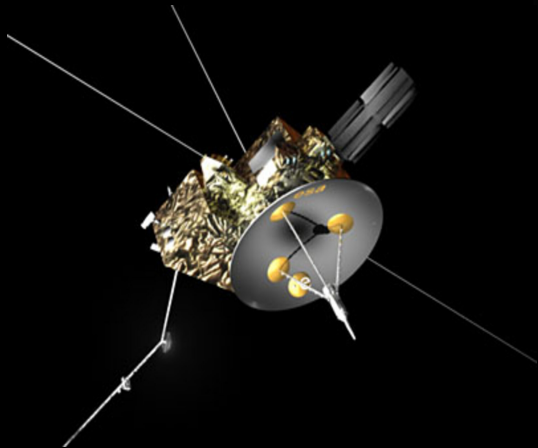
Pioneer 10 and 11 (1973, 74)



Voyager 1 and 2 (1979)



Ulysses (1992, 2004)



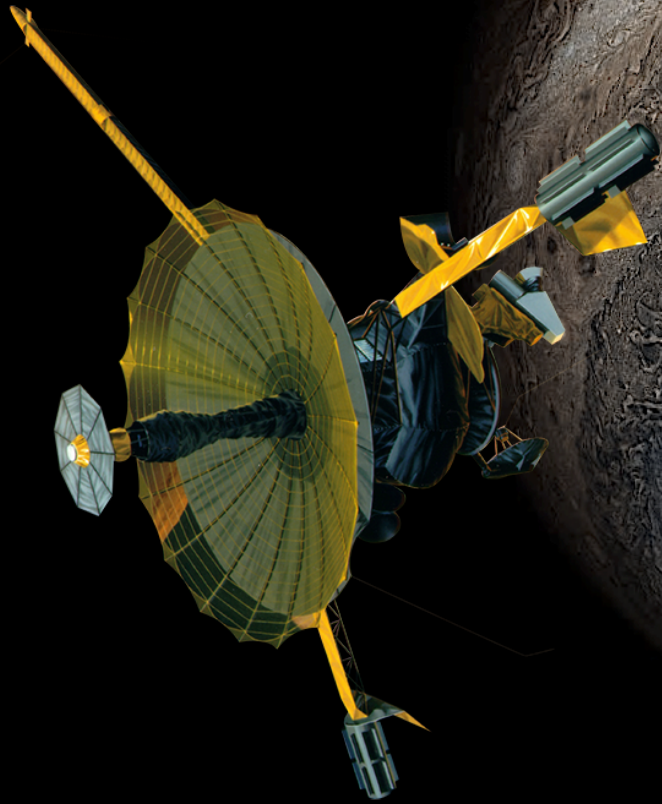
without magnetometers-

Cassini (2000)

New Horizons (2007)

SATELLITES - ORBITER

Galileo (1995 - 2003)



Juno (2016 – present)



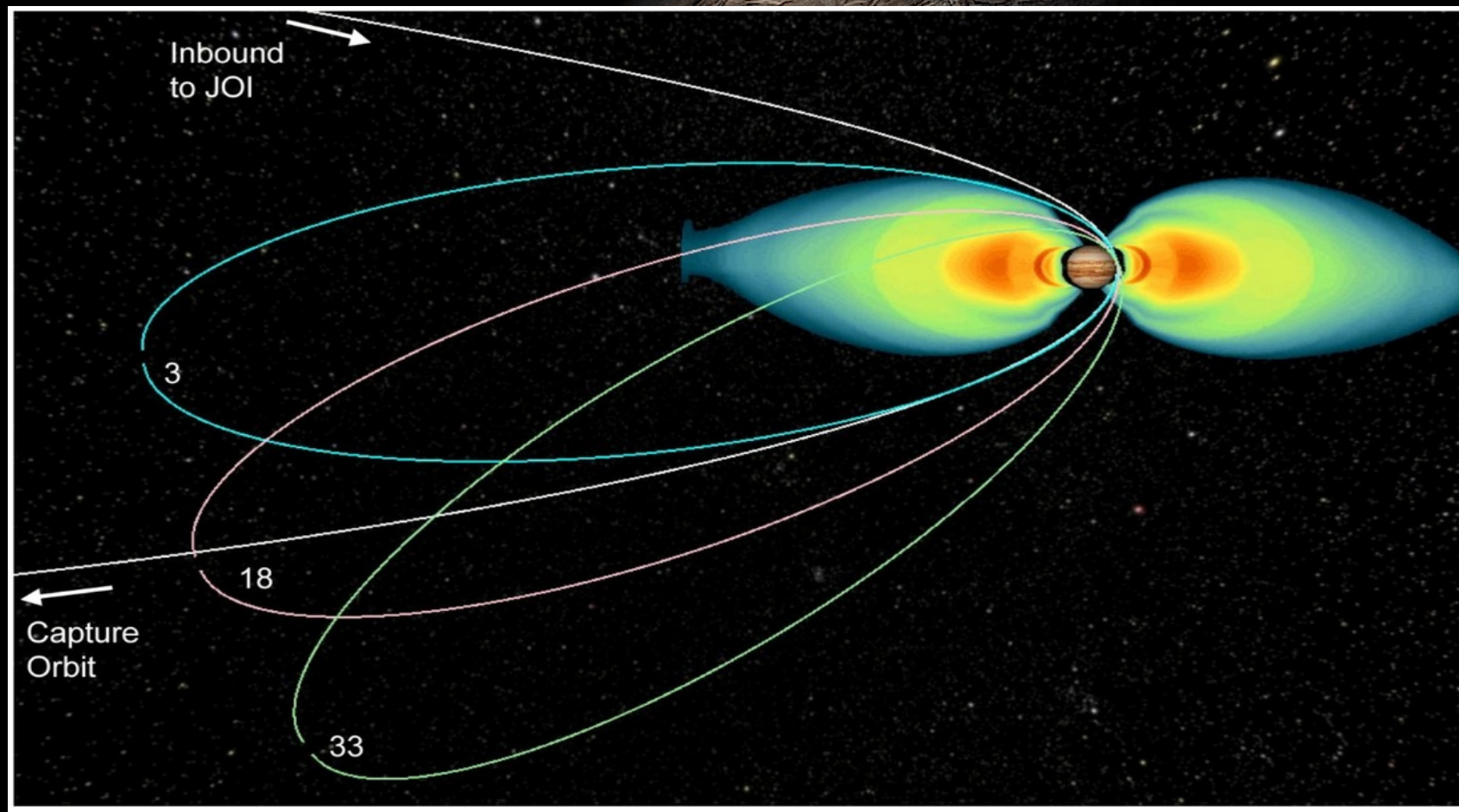
JUNO

- Launch – August 5th, 2011
- Jupiter Orbit Insertion – July 4th, 2016
- Two Fluxgate Magnetometers
- Elliptical orbit (~53 days)



Bolton et al. 2017

JUNO



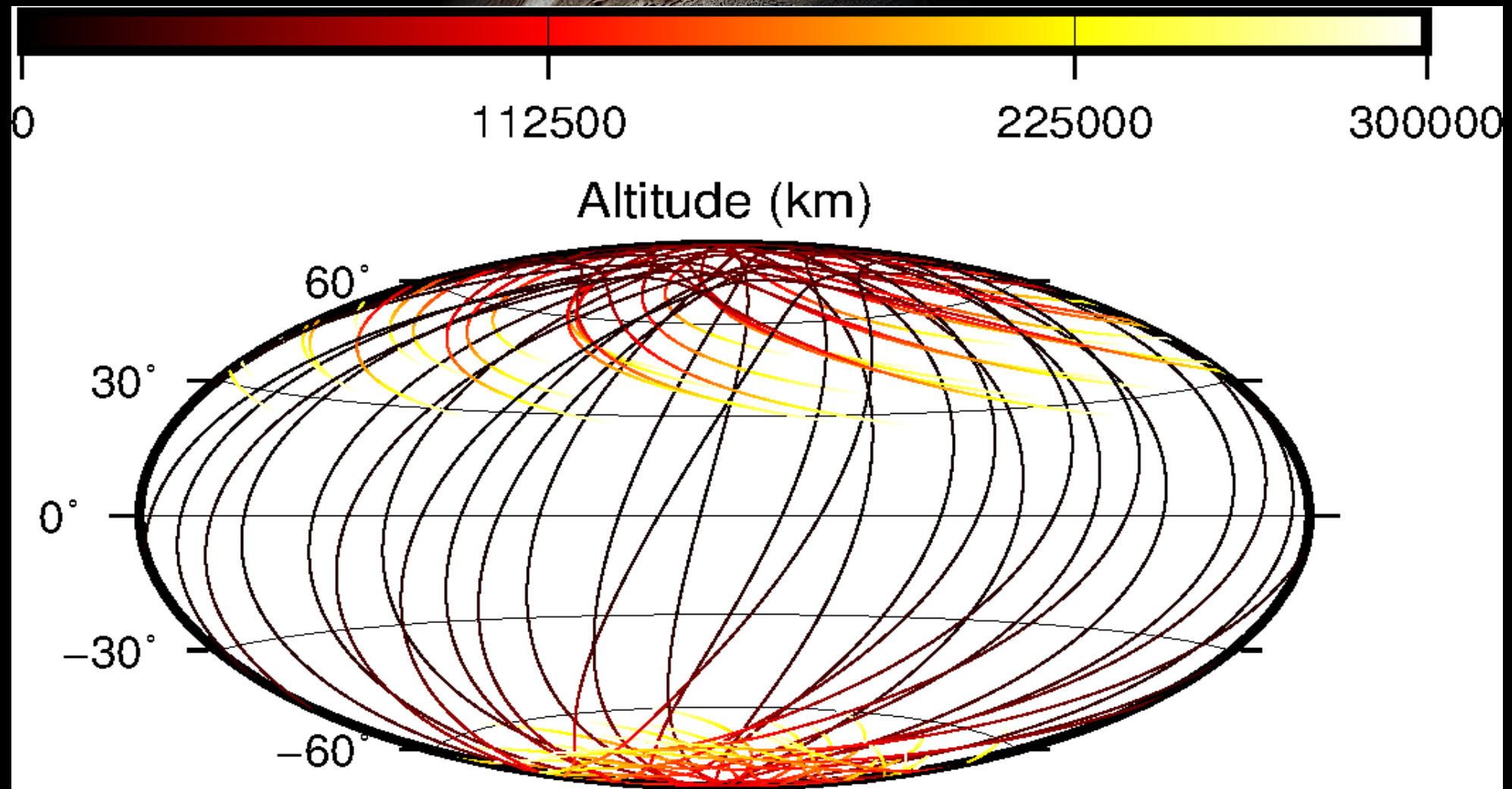
Periapsis:
~2600 km near equator
Precesses one degree
northward in periapsis
after every orbit.

Apoapsis:
> 100 Jupiter radius

Mission extended to 75
orbits

Image from NASA

JUNO



SPHERICAL HARMONIC (SH) MODEL



JUNO DATA-

- Polar orbit
- 1 second data
- Below 300,000 km ($\sim 5.2 R_J$)
- First 28 perijoves (w/o 2,19)
- Data span – Aug '16 to July '20
- 628,828 vector data

METHOD-

- SH main field ($n=16$) and SV ($n=8$)
- Least-square inversion
- Instrument error as weights
- Secular variation (SV) using B-Splines
- Synthetic tests on CHAOS-7.8

MODEL POWER SPECTRA

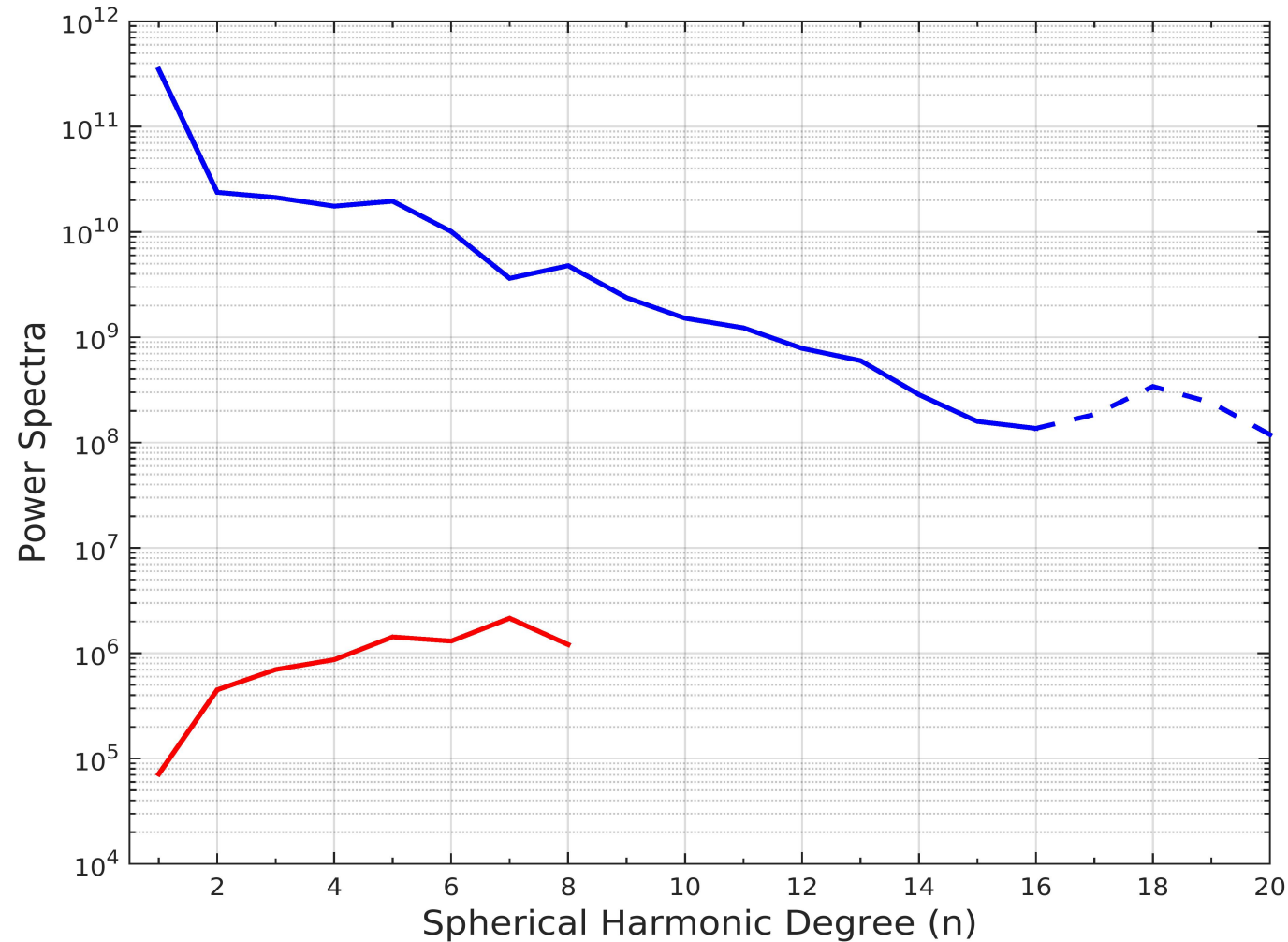
MAIN FIELD POWER SPECTRUM

$$R_n = (n + 1) \left(\frac{a}{r}\right)^{(2n+4)} \sum_{m=0}^n [(g_n^m)^2 + (h_n^m)^2]$$

SECULAR VARIATION POWER SPECTRUM

$$S_n = (n + 1) \left(\frac{a}{r}\right)^{(2n+4)} \sum_{m=0}^n [(\dot{g}_n^m)^2 + (\dot{h}_n^m)^2]$$

POWER SPECTRA AT SURFACE



Units –

Main field - $(nT)^2$

SV - $(nT/year)^2$

DYNAMO RADIUS

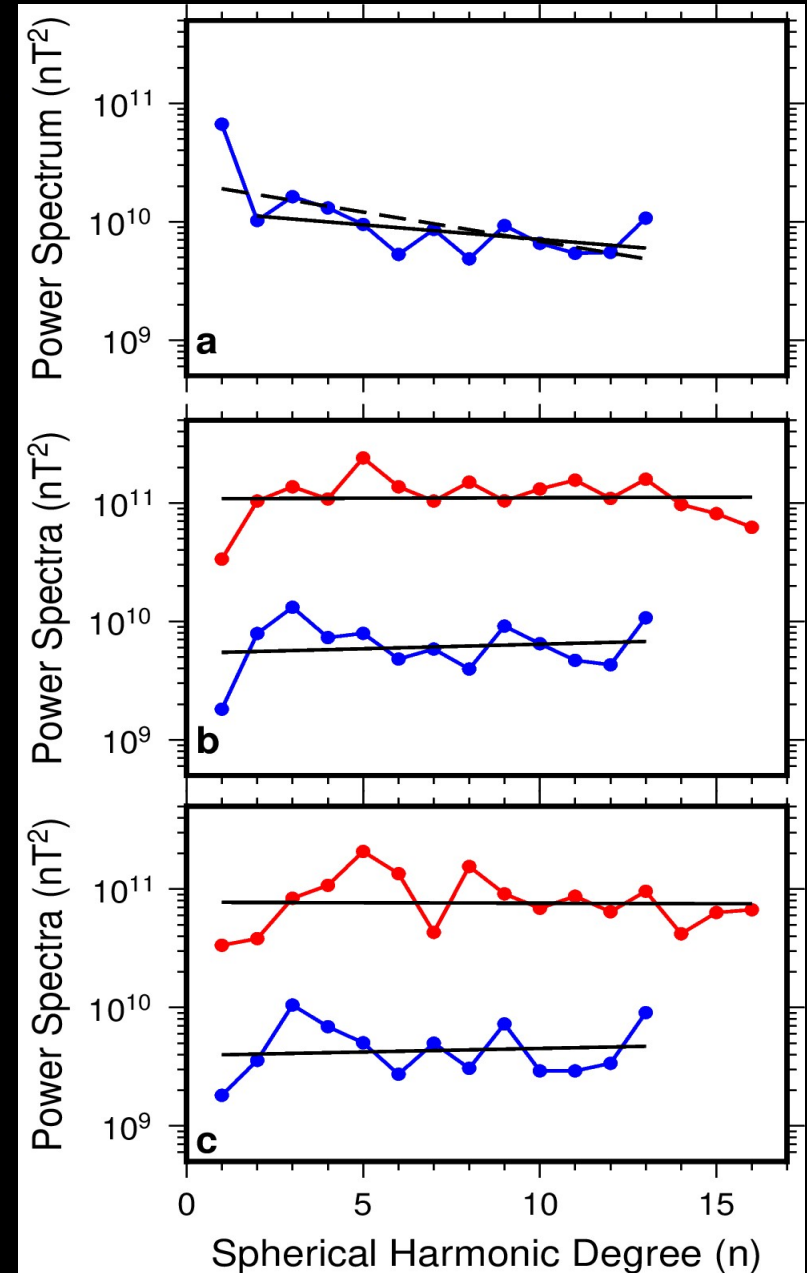
(a) White noise hypothesis :

Radius 'r' where parts of the spectrum are independent of degree 'n' (Langlais et al. 2014) –

top of source region, or bottom of source-free region = R_{sf}

(b) Non-zonal terms ($m \neq 0$)

(c) Quadrupole terms ($n + m$ even)



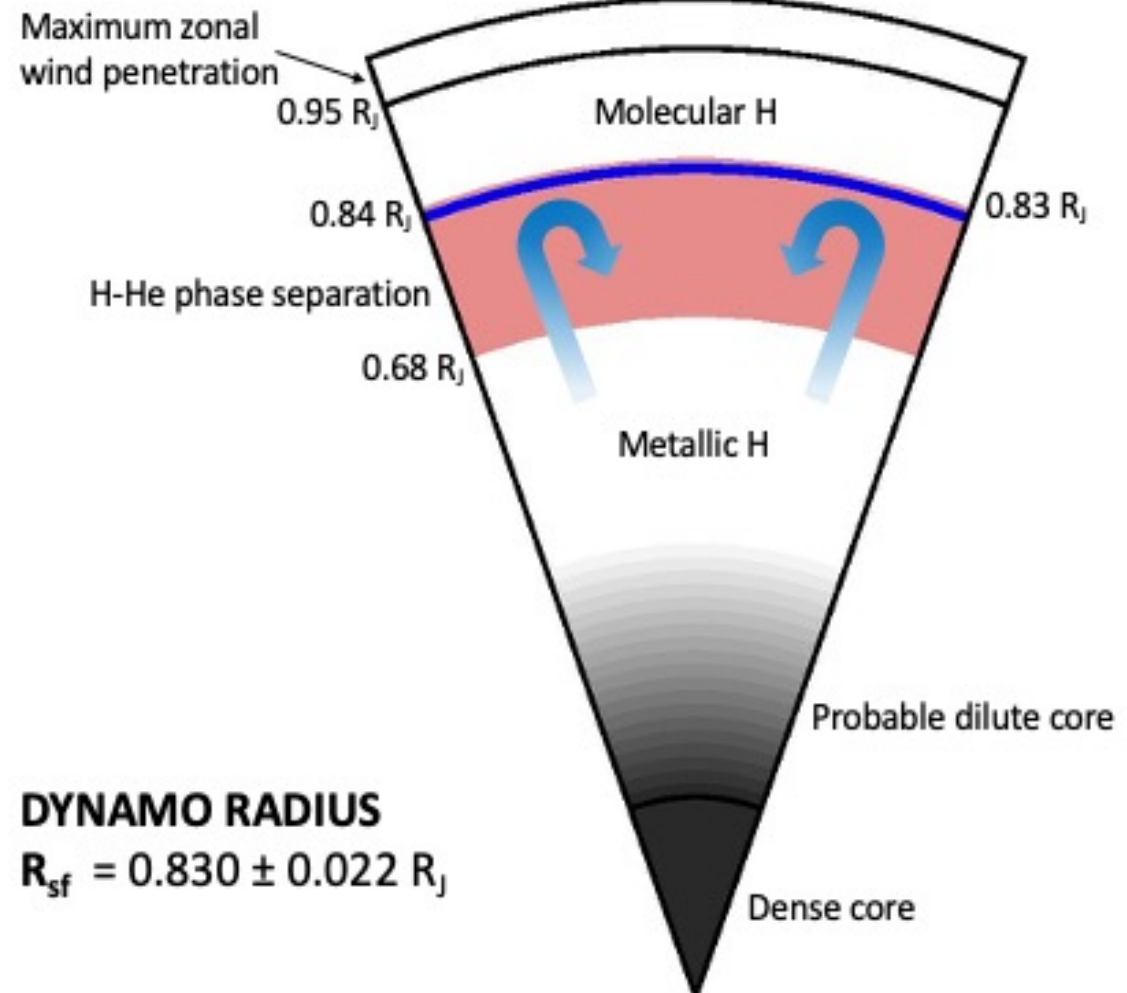
Blue for Earth (CHAOS model) and Red for Jupiter (this model)

INTERIOR STRUCTURE

$$R_{nz} = 0.831 \pm 0.021 R_J$$

$$R_{qf} = 0.829 \pm 0.024 R_J$$

$$R_{sf} = 0.830 \pm 0.022 R_J$$



CORRELATION TIMES

Or, SV timescales

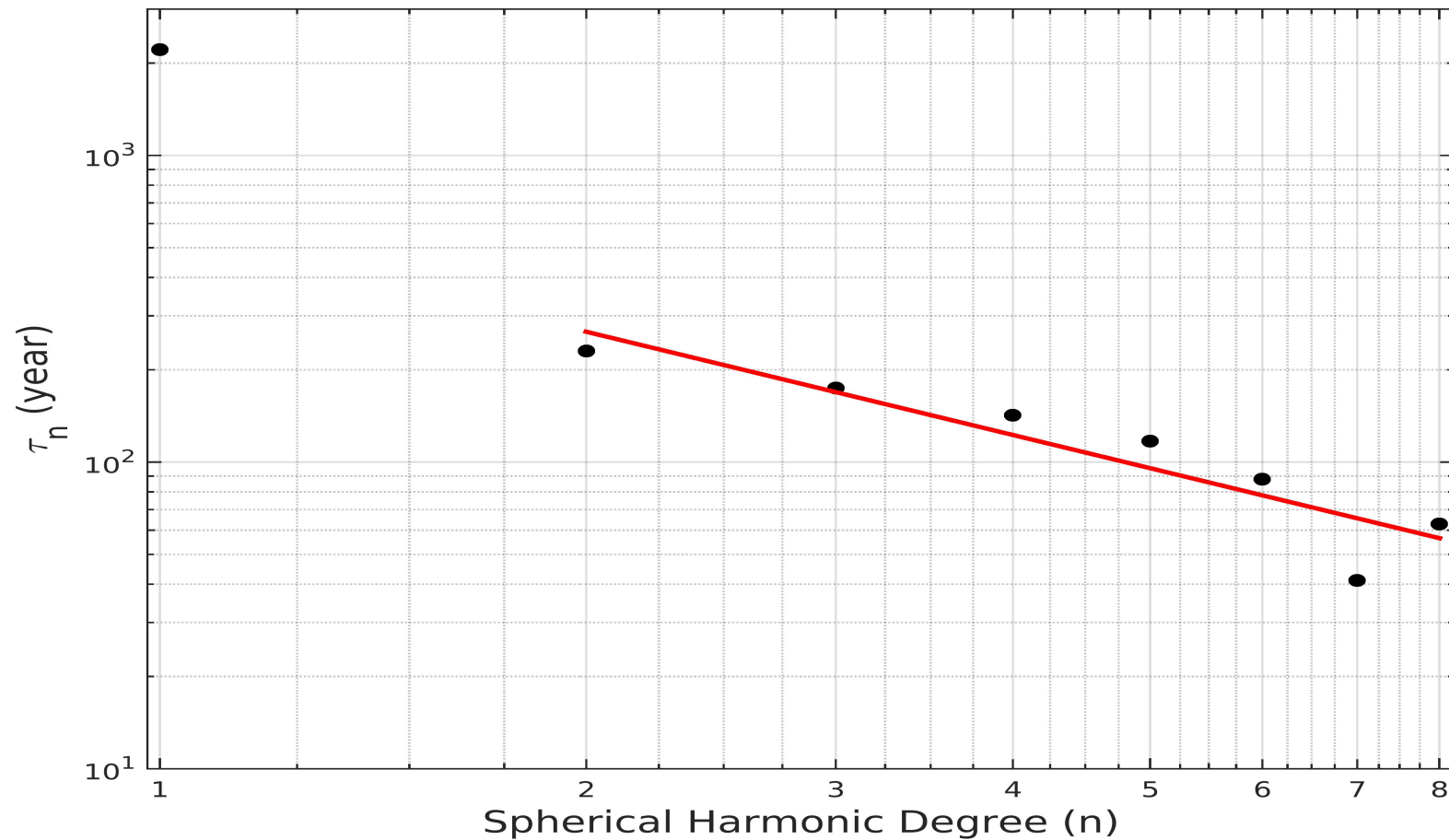
$$\zeta_n = \sqrt{\frac{R_n}{S_n}}$$

non-dipole terms
inversely proportional to degree
(Christensen and Tilgner 2004)

Slope of non-dipole terms from magnetic induction scaling laws-

- 1 : SV driven by advection
- 2 : SV driven by diffusion

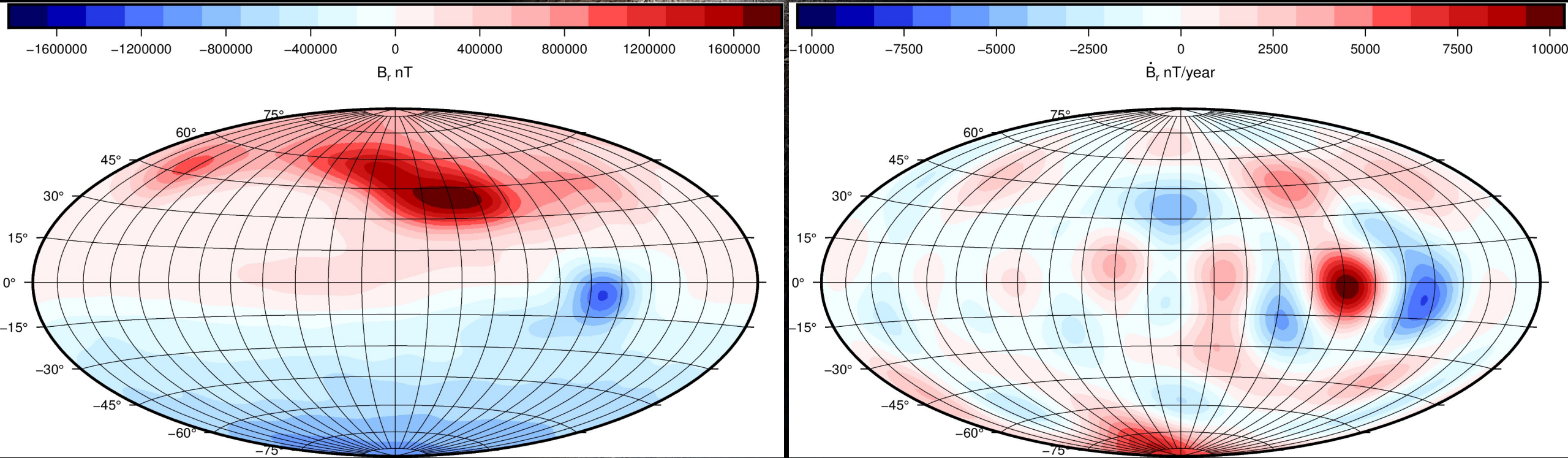
CORRELATION TIMES



Slope = -1.12 ± 0.21

Advection

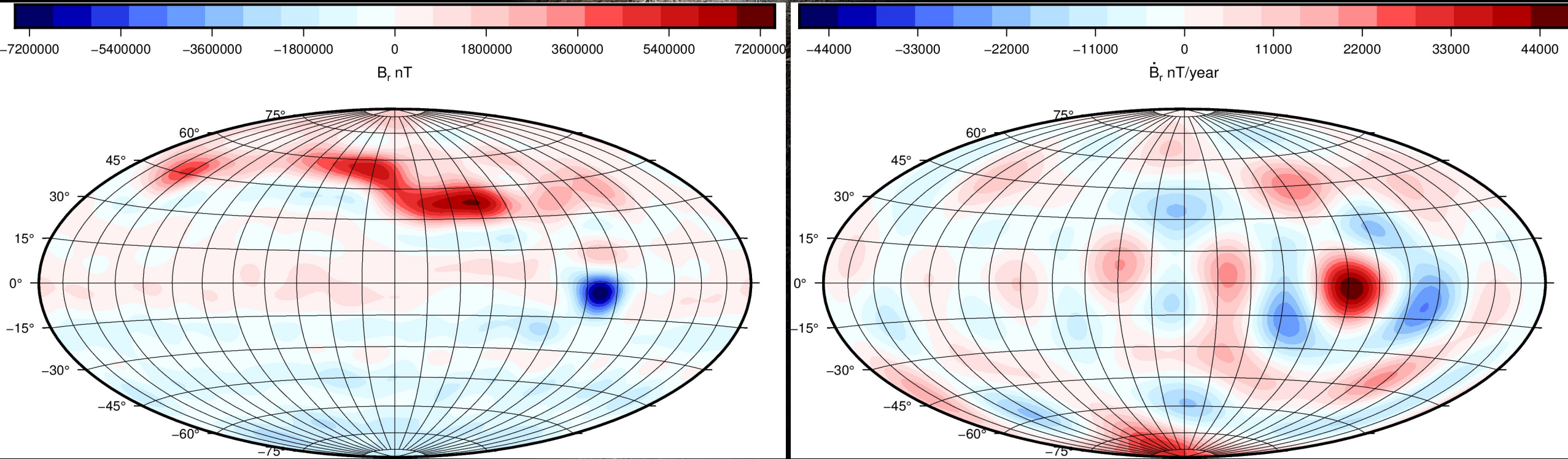
RADIAL FIELD AND ITS SV AT SURFACE



Two prominent features –

- large positive field in northern hemisphere
- intense negative field near equator – Great Blue Spot

RADIAL FIELD AND ITS SV AT R_{sf} ($0.83 R_J$)



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Corresponding to –

- weak eastward drift + field aligned flow
- eastward drift – zonal winds

SECULAR VARIATION

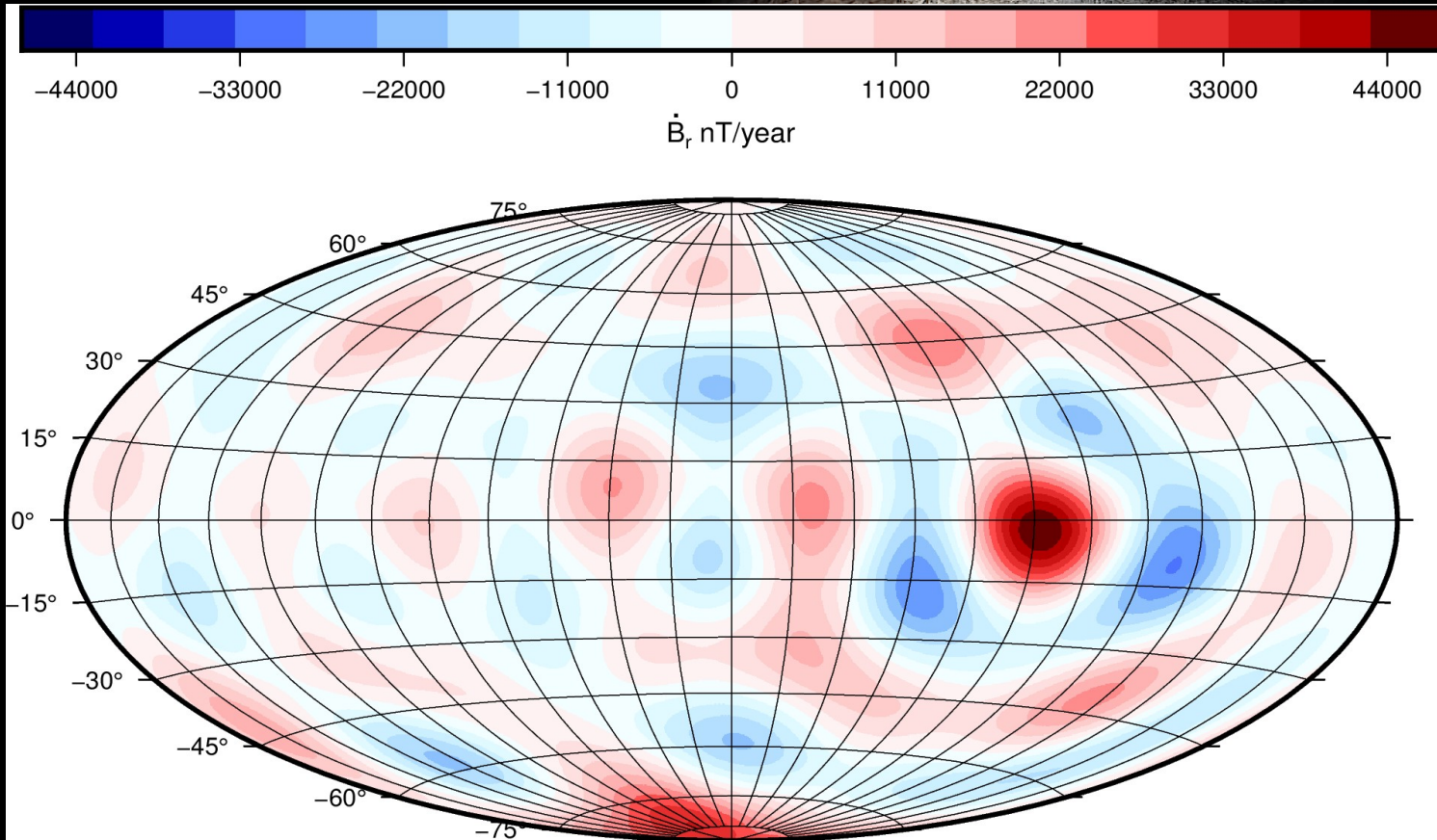


Figure at R_{sf} ($0.83 R_J$)

Strength $\sim 10^4$ nT/year

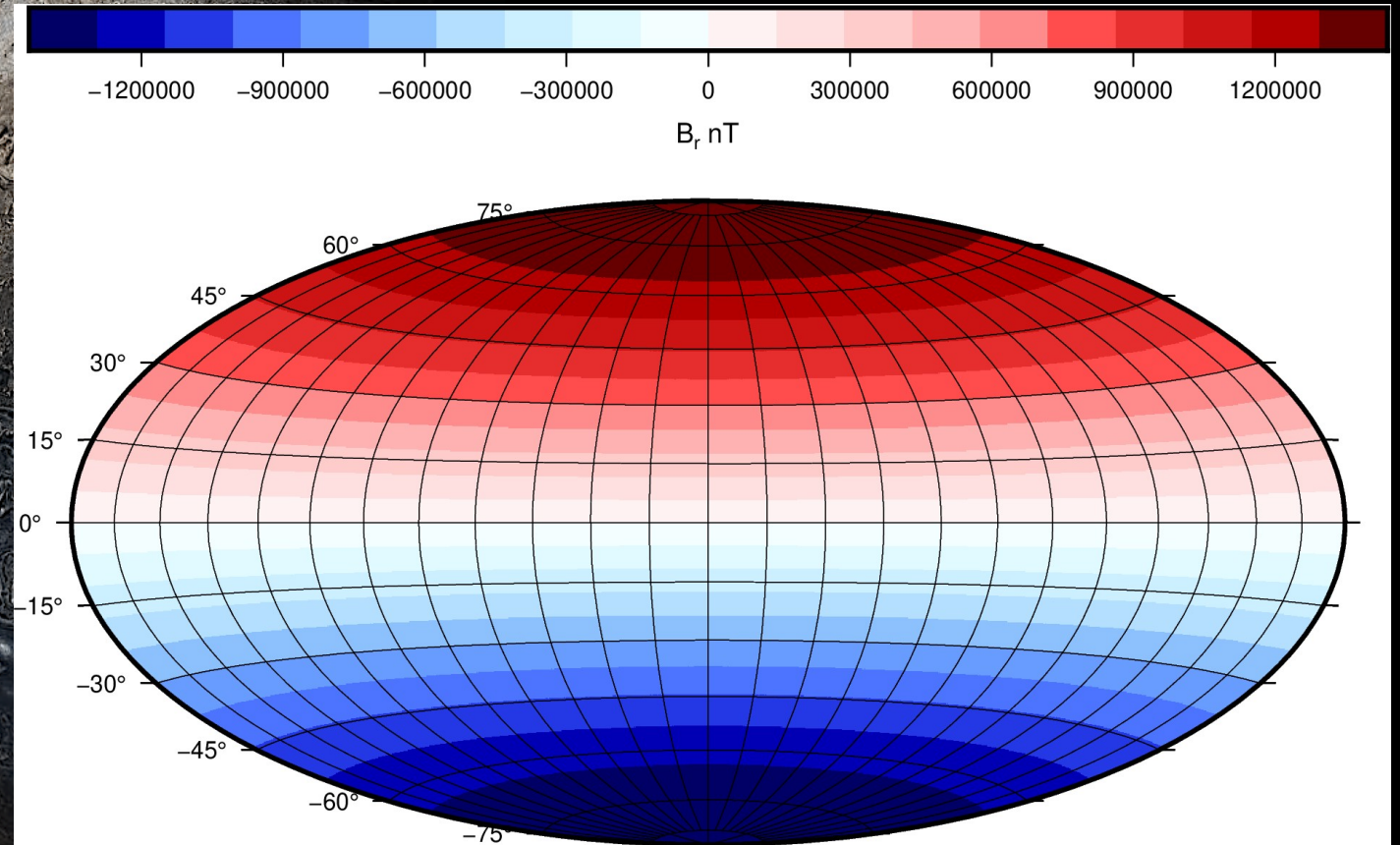
Variation $\sim 2.3\%$ over 4 years

Zonal and non-zonal features

Advection driven

COMPARISON WITH THE GEODYNAMO

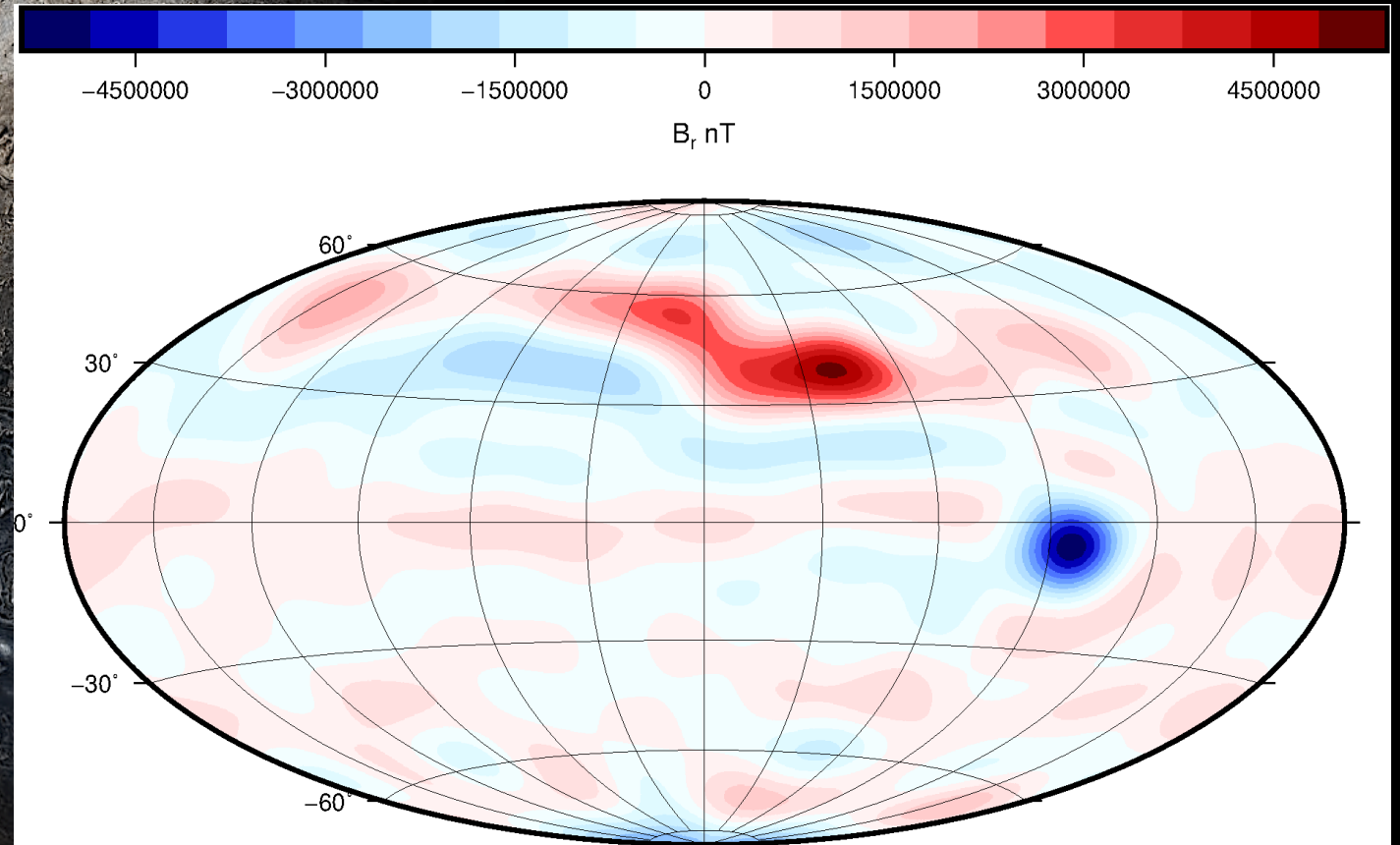
- Dynamo dipolarity - similar



Axial dipole radial field at R_{sf} ($0.83 R_J$)

COMPARISON WITH THE GEODYNAMO

- Dynamo dipolarity - similar
- Non-dipole field more symmetric wrt equator
- Zonality of non-dipole field comparable (zonal preference)



Non axial dipole radial field at R_{sf} ($0.83 R_J$)

SUMMARY AND FUTURE WORK



Does a secondary dynamo exist?

Does a stratified layer exist?

If yes, below $0.830 R_J$

Secular variation driven by advection.

Zonal as well as non-zonal features.

Flow patterns at R_{sf}

Juno extended mission + JUICE mission.



THANK YOU!