Structure and evolution of dayside magnetopause reconnection exhaust

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Exhaust

Starting point: exhaust away from reconnection





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Local stuff: D-shaped distribution stability?

Why don't D-shapes go unstable and fizzle out near RX?

- substantial T_{\perp}/T_{\parallel} , grows with $B \ (\stackrel{?}{\leftarrow} CGL)$
- substantial df/dv_{\parallel} at first

[Broll et al., it's going out soon, really]









Local stuff: D-shaped distribution "stability" ...





Figure: Ion temperature anisotropy / threshold for anisotropy-driven IC growth, [Isenberg+2012], vs. MSM distance

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Proposed solution: B incr \Rightarrow aniso increases to/past threshold \Rightarrow dist.s get nudged back, cycle repeats

That's with just one RX in every point's domain of influence

What if: multiple lines, flux ropes, embedded structures...?

Proposed: predict and measure coalescence/ 2^{ary} RX/etc effects on known signatures - e.g. decrease in v_{jet}/v_A over RX distance \Rightarrow 'drag' from structures in the path

Current: compiling bunches of crossings (e.g. noon \pm 3h LT, 'full MP' and 'jet' in burst tag, good LMN), could use feedback on tools and tricks...

Github: @JeffreyBroll, currently uploading IDL tools for auto-LMN and more

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