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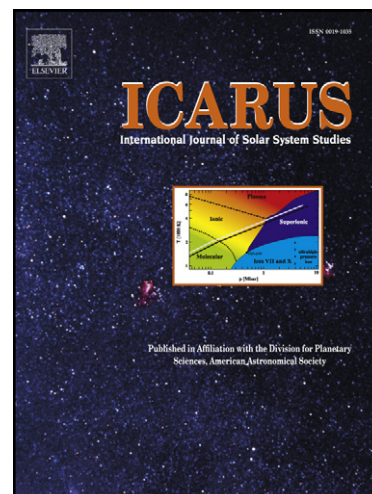
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## Abstract

Induced magnetic fields provide the unique possibility to sound the conductive interior of planetary bodies. Such fields are caused by external time-variable magnetic fields. We investigate temporal variations of the Jovian magnetospheric field at multiple frequencies at the positions of the Galilean moons and analyze possible responses due to electromagnetic induction within multi-layered interior models of all four satellites. At the Jovian satellites the magnetic field varies with the synodic rotation period of Jupiter's internal field (about 10 hours), fractions of this period (e.g., 1/2 and 1/3) due to higher order harmonics of the internal field, the orbital periods of the satellites (~40 hours at Io to ~400 hours at Callisto) and the solar rotation period (about 640 hours) and its harmonics due to variabilities of the magnetopause field. To analyze these field variations, we use a magnetospheric model that includes the Jovian internal field, the current sheet field and fields due to the magnetopause boundary currents. With this model we

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calculate magnetic amplitude spectra for each satellite orbit. These spectra provide the strengths of the inducing signals at the different frequencies for all magnetic components. The magnetic fields induced in the interiors of the satellites are then determined from response functions computed for different multi-layer interior models including conductive cores and ocean layers of various conductivities and thicknesses. Based on these results we discuss what information about the ocean and core layers can be deduced from the analysis of induction signals at multiple frequencies. Even moderately thick and conductive oceans produce measurable signal strengths at several frequencies for all satellites. The conductive cores cause signals which will be hardly detectable. Our results show that mutual induction occurs between the core and the ocean. We briefly address this effect and its implications for the analysis of induced field data. We further note that close polar orbits are preferable for future Jupiter system missions to investigate the satellites interiors.

*Key words:* Jupiter, satellites, Magnetic fields, Interiors, Magnetosphere

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## 1 **1. Introduction**

2 Jupiter's major satellites harbor a unique variety of scientific treasures  
3 which can be investigated through electromagnetic induction signals. There  
4 is, for example, substantial evidence for the existence of a liquid water ocean  
5 beneath the surface of Europa (e.g., Khurana et al., 1998, Neubauer, 1998b,  
6 Kivelson et al., 2000, Zimmer et al., 2000, Schilling et al., 2007, Anderson  
7 et al., 1998, Spohn and Schubert, 2003). Several separate lines of scientific  
8 evidence led to this conclusion. One indicator were surface features inter-

9 preted as cracks of a layer of ice above a layer of liquid water (Carr et al.,  
10 1998, Pappalardo et al., 1999). Radio Doppler measurements suggest a differ-  
11 entiated interior of Europa with a top icy layer of about 80 to 170 kilometers  
12 thickness (Anderson et al., 1998). According to several thermal models this  
13 layer might be at least partially molten (e.g., Schubert et al., 1986, Spohn  
14 and Schubert, 2003). These facts are, however, only indirect evidence for  
15 the existence of an ocean. The strongest indicator for the present-day ex-  
16 istence of subsurface oceans was provided by magnetometer measurements  
17 of the Galileo spacecraft. These measurements showed signatures of a mag-  
18 netic field induced inside the satellite which could only be explained by the  
19 existence of a conductive subsurface ocean but not by less conductive ice  
20 (Khurana et al., 1998, Neubauer, 1998a, Kivelson et al., 2000, Zimmer et al.,  
21 2000, Volwerk et al., 2007). Similar observations have been made at Callisto  
22 (Khurana et al., 1998, Neubauer, 1998a, Kivelson et al., 1999, Zimmer et al.,  
23 2000) making it another candidate for harboring liquid water. Yet another  
24 subsurface water ocean might be located inside Ganymede, the largest of  
25 the Galilean moons (Kivelson et al., 2002). Additionally, Ganymede is the  
26 only known satellite in our solar system which possesses an intrinsic mag-  
27 netic field (Kivelson et al., 1996, Jia et al., 2009). Therefore, information  
28 about its highly likely conductive core would be of great value. For Io some  
29 authors proposed the existence of an at least partially molten magma ocean  
30 (Keszthelyi et al., 1999). Khurana et al. (2009) recently suggested that mag-  
31 netic measurements at Io may also include signatures of fields induced in this  
32 ocean. All of the features mentioned above present subsurface layers of en-  
33 hanced conductivity. Information about these layers can therefore be gained

34 through studies of the electromagnetic induction at the Galilean moons.

35 The theoretical base for the analysis of induced fields and the determina-  
36 tion of the interior electrical conductivity of a planetary body was developed  
37 for scientific problems at the earth (e.g., Parkinson, 1983, Schmucker, 1985,  
38 Olsen, 1999). In principle any conductive body exposed to a time-variable  
39 external magnetic field gives rise to an induced field. For a stratified body  
40 the amplitude and phase of the induced field (secondary field) relative to the  
41 inducing field (primary field) depend on the conductivity and thicknesses of  
42 the interior layers (Parkinson, 1983). Generally an infinite set of internal  
43 structures may explain the same secondary field signal at one particular fre-  
44 quency. However, by a combined analysis of signals caused by a primary  
45 field varying at multiple frequencies it is possible to reduce the set of valid  
46 conductivities and shell thicknesses (Khurana et al., 2002, Saur et al., 2010).  
47 Low frequencies are of special interest here as they penetrate deeper into  
48 conductive layers (Parkinson, 1983, Saur et al., 2010).

49 At the Galilean moons the time-variable primary field is provided by the  
50 Jovian magnetosphere (e.g., Neubauer, 1999, Saur et al., 2010). In the satel-  
51 lites' vicinity magnetic field measurements additionally include contributions  
52 from the induced fields and fields caused by the interaction of the satellite  
53 with the surrounding magnetospheric plasma (Schilling et al., 2008, Saur  
54 et al., 2010) . The main uncertainty for the interpretation of the total field  
55 comes from the plasma interaction. Extensive numerical modeling is nec-  
56 essary to determine the contribution from this field (Schilling et al., 2007).  
57 A detailed description of the plasma interaction is beyond the scope of this  
58 paper. However, we briefly address the role of the plasma interaction fields in

59 section 4.3. In the following we focus on a prediction of the magnetospheric  
60 background field and the secondary fields caused by its temporal variations.

61 Previous studies of the inductive response of the Galilean moons (e.g.,  
62 Zimmer et al., 2000, Khurana et al., 2002, Schilling et al., 2007) predomi-  
63 nantly consider the rotation period of Jupiter with some smaller discussion  
64 of the orbital periods. We present the first systematic search for available  
65 frequencies and the corresponding amplitudes of the Jovian magnetospheric  
66 field at the position of all Galilean moons (sections 2 to 4). We determine low  
67 frequency fluctuations suitable for deep sounding of the satellites' interiors.  
68 In the second part of our analysis (sections 5 to 6) we examine the induc-  
69 tive response of the satellites on the basis of several interior models. Instead  
70 of the simple one or two layer models used by other authors (e.g., Zimmer  
71 et al., 2000, Schilling et al., 2007) we apply realistic multi-layer models to  
72 determine the response functions. We investigate whether secondary fields of  
73 the satellites' oceans or conductive cores will be measurable for some of the  
74 available frequencies. In the presence of multiple conductive layers the sec-  
75 ondary field of one of these layers may in turn induce another magnetic field.  
76 We discuss this mutual induction effect and its implication for the analysis  
77 of magnetic field measurements in section 6.5. In section 7 we determine  
78 preferable flyby conditions for the measurement of induced fields at future  
79 Jovian system missions. We start with a short description of the sources of  
80 frequencies of the magnetospheric field available for induction studies.

## 81 2. Available frequencies

82 There are several physical processes which lead to different periodicities  
83 of the magnetospheric field at the Galilean moons. Most of the magnetic  
84 fluctuations are not caused by changes of the field itself, but by underlying  
85 movements of the field structure relative to the satellites due to celestial  
86 mechanics. In this section we discuss their origin and separate them regarding  
87 the corresponding celestial period.

### 88 2.1. *Jupiter's rotation period*

89 The major magnetic field variability at the Galilean moons originates from  
90 the  $9.6^\circ$  tilt of the internal field of Jupiter with respect to the Jovian spin  
91 axis. As Jupiter and its field rotate faster (every 10 hours) than the satellites  
92 orbital period (about 40 to 400 h), the satellites are alternately positioned  
93 above and below the Jovian magnetic equator. This change of position in  
94 the field causes magnetic variations at the satellites' positions. The period  
95 of these fluctuations is the synodic rotation period of Jupiter in the rest  
96 frame of the satellite. Additionally, temporal variations with the same period  
97 are caused by the rotation of the current sheet magnetic field. The current  
98 sheet in the inner magnetosphere is roughly aligned with the Jovian magnetic  
99 equator and mainly corotates with the internal field. The distance of the  
100 satellites to the center of the sheet changes periodically as well. This results in  
101 magnetic fluctuations with the synodic rotation period of Jupiter which add  
102 to the internal field fluctuations. Additionally, higher order harmonics of the  
103 internal field and the current sheet field lead to fluctuations at whole-number  
104 fractions of the synodic rotation period. The Jovian rotation therefore causes



105 a variety of inducing magnetic variations with periods of slightly above 10 h,  
106 5 h, 3.3 h etc.

### 107 *2.2. The orbital periods of the satellites*

108 Another set of periodicities has its origin in the movement of the satellites  
109 themselves. The inclination and eccentricity of the satellites' orbits lead  
110 to a periodic change of latitude and distance with respect to the internal  
111 field. The corresponding magnetic fluctuations encountered by the satellite  
112 have the period of its rotation (from about 40 h at Io to 400 h at Callisto).  
113 The satellites' motions relative to the magnetopause structure also cause  
114 temporal variations with the rotational periods of the satellites. At the day  
115 side of the magnetosphere the satellites are much closer to the source region  
116 of the magnetopause field than on the night side. The difference between the  
117 closest approach and the maximum distance to the magnetopause determines  
118 the amplitude of the resulting magnetic fluctuation.

### 119 *2.3. The solar rotation period*

120 The magnetospheric field and the magnetopause structure constantly  
121 change due to the highly variable solar wind pressure. Periodic variations of  
122 the solar wind ram pressure, which are sufficiently slow to allow a contrac-  
123 tion or expansion of the magnetosphere, lead to reactions which resemble a  
124 "breathing" of the whole magnetospheric structure.

125 This movement of the magnetopause field's source region leads to mag-  
126 netic fluctuations at the satellites. One such periodicity of the solar wind  
127 strength is the solar rotation period (about 640 h) and harmonics of this  
128 period.

129 *2.4. Other periodicities*

130 There are possibly several additional fluctuations to the ones described  
131 above. A temporal variability of the volcanism of Io, for example, would  
132 influence the strength of the current sheet field. Such changes in the activ-  
133 ity of Io's volcanism have been reported recently by Rathbun and Spencer  
134 (2010). It is, however, not clear to what extent these fluctuations influence  
135 the magnetospheric field of the Jovian system. It may also be possible to use  
136 aperiodic variations of the magnetospheric field for induction studies. For  
137 example, the variation of the magnetopause field during a solar storm could  
138 provide a suitable excitation, especially at Callisto. Long term variabilities  
139 of the solar wind, for example due to the 11-year solar cycle, may also lead to  
140 inducing fields arising from the magnetopause. Finally, slow changes of the  
141 orbital elements like the drift of the argument of the perihelion or changes  
142 of the eccentricity or inclination can lead to minor magnetic field fluctua-  
143 tions over very long periods. To detect such weak, very low frequency signals  
144 is, however, rather unrealistic, as it would be necessary to perform measure-  
145 ments over a period of several decades. All periods mentioned above are long  
146 enough to sound deep into the satellites' interiors. Periodicities with much  
147 shorter periods could, however, still be used to examine the regional or even  
148 local crustal structures within a few kilometers below the surface if the cho-  
149 sen conductivities are realistic. For unexpectedly low electric conductivities  
150 such short periods may even be necessary to probe the deep interiors. This  
151 may be the case at Ganymede, where the magnitude of the induction signa-  
152 ture is not quite clear. The most important source for such signals could be  
153 magnetospheric, i.e. the Jovian counterpart of ULF waves or pulsations in

154 the nomenclature of geomagnetism (e.g. Krupp et al., 2004, Glassmeier et al.,  
 155 2004). These waves are triggered for example by the Kelvin-Helmholtz insta-  
 156 bility, the drift-mirror instability or ion cyclotron instabilities towards shorter  
 157 periods. For example, long periods of 40 minutes (Wilson and Dougherty,  
 158 2000, e.g.) have been observed in large regions of the Jovian magnetosphere  
 159 as well as periods of 800 s and 1200 s associated with the Io torus (Glassmeier  
 160 et al., 1989).

### 161 3. Magnetosphere Model

162 The Jovian magnetosphere is a complex system controlled by many phys-  
 163 ical effects which are addressed by different models. In our simulations we  
 164 include models for the Jovian internal field, the magnetospheric current sheet  
 165 and the magnetopause field. By analyzing the resulting field of each model  
 166 separately we can determine the inducing fields of each part of the magne-  
 167 tosphere. The total magnetospheric field can be gained from a superposition  
 168 of the separate model results.

#### 169 3.1. Jupiter's internal field

170 The field generated by the internal dynamo of Jupiter  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{INT}}$  can be de-  
 171 scribed by a scalar potential  $U_{\text{INT}}$  of the form (e.g., Chapman and Bartels,  
 172 1940):

$$U_{\text{INT}} = R_J \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{R_J}{r} \right)^{l+1} \sum_{m=0}^l P_l^m(\cos \theta) [g_l^m \cos(m\Phi) + h_l^m \sin(m\Phi)]. \quad (1)$$

173 In this expression  $R_J$  is the radius of Jupiter (71,398 km),  $P_l^m$  are the  
 174 Schmidt-normalized Legendre functions of degree  $l$  and order  $m$  and  $g_l^m$  and

175  $h_l^m$  are the Schmidt coefficients of the field. The coordinate system is defined  
 176 by the radial distance to Jupiter  $r$ , the colatitude  $\theta$  and the longitude  $\Phi$ . The  
 177 internal magnetic field follows from:

$$\mathbf{B}_{\text{INT}} = -\nabla U_{\text{INT}}. \quad (2)$$

178 Several authors have analyzed data from various spacecraft to determine the  
 179 magnetic field coefficients  $g_l^m$  and  $h_l^m$  of Jupiter. In this study we use the  
 180 VIP4 model by Connerney et al. (1998). The coefficients of this model were  
 181 fit to Pioneer and Voyager data and observations for the location of Io's  
 182 footprint in the Jovian auroral oval. We include coefficients up to  $m, l = 3$  in  
 183 our analysis. Higher order coefficients are neglected as they are too uncertain  
 184 and too weak at the satellites positions. Therefore, this study only considers  
 185 the dipole, quadrupole and octopole parts of the field.

### 186 3.2. The current sheet field

187 The second contribution to the magnetospheric field, which we take into  
 188 account is the field arising from the magnetospheric current sheet. This  
 189 sheet of plasma is located near the magnetic equator and bends toward the  
 190 rotational equator with increasing distance to Jupiter. The plasma particles  
 191 drift due to the internal field of Jupiter and the centrifugal force and generate  
 192 an additional magnetic field. This current sheet field  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{CS}}$  has been modeled  
 193 by Khurana (1997). They used an Euler potential description in cylindrical  
 194 coordinates  $(\rho, \phi$  and  $z)$  relative to the dipole equator of the following form:

$$\mathbf{B}_{\text{CS}} = \nabla f(\rho, \phi, z) \times \nabla g(\rho, \phi, z), \quad (3)$$

with

$$f = -C_1 \rho \left[ \tanh \left( \frac{r_{01}}{r} \right) \right]^{a_1} \ln \cosh \left( \frac{z - z_{cs}}{D_1} \right) + \int \rho \left\{ C_2 \left[ \tanh \left( \frac{\rho_{02}}{\rho} \right) \right]^{a_2} + C_3 \left[ \tanh \left( \frac{\rho_{03}}{\rho} \right) \right]^{a_3} + C_4 \right\} d\rho \quad (4)$$

and

$$g = \phi + p \left[ 1 + q \tanh^2 \left( \frac{z - z_{cs}}{D_2} \right) \right] \rho. \quad (5)$$

195 Here  $z_{cs}$  represents the current sheet's distance from the magnetic equator  
196 defined as:

$$z_{cs} = \rho \tan(9.6^\circ) \left[ \frac{x_0}{x} \tanh \left( \frac{x}{x_0} \right) \cos(\phi - \delta) - \cos(\phi - \pi) \right], \quad (6)$$

with

$$\delta = \pi - \frac{\Omega_J \rho_0}{v_0} \ln \cosh \left( \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right). \quad (7)$$

197 The parameters  $C_1$  to  $C_4$ ,  $a_1$  to  $a_3$ ,  $D_1$ ,  $D_2$ ,  $r_{01}$ ,  $\rho_0$ ,  $\rho_{02}$ ,  $\rho_{03}$ ,  $x_0$ ,  $q$  and  $p$  of these  
198 expressions were fit to various spacecraft data to reproduce the structure of  
199 the sheet. We used the so called common model given by Khurana (1997)  
200 which presents the best fit to multiple data sets. The calculated current sheet  
201 field needs to be transformed from the cylindrical coordinate system to the  
202 same coordinates used for the other models.

### 203 3.3. The magnetopause field

204 The third part of the magnetospheric field which we consider is the mag-  
205 netic source region of the magnetopause. The magnetopause field is generated  
206 by Chapman-Ferraro currents (see Chapman and Ferraro, 1930) flowing in  
207 the boundary layer given by the pressure equilibrium between the solar wind

208 pressure and the sum of the magnetic pressure and plasma pressure of the  
 209 magnetosphere. A global model for this field was derived by Engle (1992).  
 210 We chose this model over others (e.g. by Alexeev and Belenkaya, 2005) as  
 211 it is easy to implement and can be used to describe a time-variable magne-  
 212 topause structure. Following the approach of Engle and Beard (1980), Engle  
 213 (1992) calculated the surface of the boundary layer from the pressure balance  
 214 of a magnetosphere model with the solar wind. Their magnetospheric field  
 215 included the current sheet model of Connerney et al. (1981) and a simple  
 216 dipole field. The surface calculations were used to fit coefficients of a scalar  
 217 potential  $U_{\text{MP}}$  which we use to describe the magnetopause field  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{MP}}$ :

$$\mathbf{B}_{\text{MP}}(r, \theta, \Phi) = -C_n \nabla U_{\text{MP}}(r, \theta, \Phi), \quad (8)$$

$$U_{\text{MP}} = \sum_{l=1}^{l_{\text{max}}} \left( \frac{r}{R_{ss}} \right)^l \sum_{m=0}^l G_l^m P_l^m(\cos \theta) \cos(m\Phi). \quad (9)$$

218 Here  $R_{ss}$  is the magnetopause subsolar point distance and  $C_n$  a normaliza-  
 219 tion constant which is defined by the magnetospheric field strength (internal  
 220 field and current sheet field) at this distance. By adjusting  $C_n$  it is possible  
 221 to scale the model to different locations for  $R_{ss}$  representing changing solar  
 222 wind conditions. As Engle (1992) explicitly used the Connerney et al. (1981)  
 223 model to describe the current sheet, we also applied this model instead of  
 224 the Khurana (1997) model to determine  $C_n$  in order to follow their approach  
 225 as closely as possible. Please note, that the intention of this paper is to give  
 226 a realistic estimate for the strength of the primary field at each frequency.  
 227 Therefore, we use the more realistic description of Khurana (1997) to deter-  
 228 mine the contributions by the current sheet, while the model by Connerney

229 et al. (1981) is used to determine the field at  $R_{ss}$  in the context of the mag-  
230 netopause model. Because each of the model results are analyzed separately  
231 there is no inconsistency in using different models here. We chose a default  
232 subsolar point distance of  $60 R_J$ .

233 Engle (1992) gave coefficients  $G_l^m$  for three different orientations of the  
234 magnetic axis of Jupiter,  $\alpha = 0^\circ$  (tilted toward the Sun),  $\alpha = 180^\circ$  (tilted  
235 away from the Sun) and  $\alpha = 90^\circ$  (no tilt). Bode (1994) additionally derived  
236 a functional expression of these coefficients for arbitrary tilt configurations.  
237 Our analysis was carried out for each of these models. There were, however,  
238 only negligible differences in the calculated inducing fields. We therefore only  
239 present results for the  $\alpha = 90^\circ$  model in this paper.

240 Figure 1 illustrates the field lines of the models used in this paper. Figure  
241 1A shows the confined structure of the current sheet of the Khurana (1997)  
242 model combined with the VIP4 model. The vertical sweep back of the field  
243 lines can easily be noticed. As the magnetopause model is not consistent with  
244 the Khurana (1997) model, it is displayed separately in combination with the  
245 Connerney et al. (1981) current sheet field (figure 1B) and the VIP4 model.  
246 The magnetopause boundary is clearly visible around  $60 R_J$ .

#### 247 3.4. *Variability of the magnetopause*

248 The position of the magnetopause is controlled by the highly variable  
249 solar wind. As mentioned in section 2, periodicities in the solar wind can  
250 lead to fluctuations of the magnetopause which in turn give rise to temporally  
251 varying inducing fields in the Jovian system.

252 To simulate this effect we make use of the possibility to scale the Engle  
253 (1992) model to various magnetopause distances. Based on a study of Voy-

254 ager data by Huddleston et al. (1998), Alexeev and Belenkaya (2005) gave an  
 255 empirical fit of the magnetopause position  $R_{ss}$  with respect to the pressure  
 256 of the solar wind  $p_{sw}$ :

$$R_{ss} = \frac{35.5R_J}{p_{sw}^{0.22}[nPa]}. \quad (10)$$

257 This relationship can be used to compute a time series of subsolar point  
 258 distances from solar wind data. The Engle (1992) model can then be scaled  
 259 using this time series to simulate the variability due to the solar wind.

260 For our simulation, we used solar wind data collected by the Ulysses  
 261 spacecraft which were provided by the Planetary Data System. The solar  
 262 wind ram pressure can be calculated from the velocity and density of the  
 263 plasma. Ulysses did not monitor the actual plasma conditions right outside  
 264 the Jovian magnetosphere. However, these data sets which were recorded  
 265 near Jupiter's orbit at 5.0 AU to 5.5 AU over a longer period of time. Since  
 266 the absolute timing of the solar wind fluctuations is irrelevant for our analysis,  
 267 we did not extrapolate the data spatially to the exact position of Jupiter.  
 268 Our data processing included an averaging of the data over 2 h. We analyzed  
 269 Ulysses data sets of the years 1992, 1997 to 1999 and 2003 to 2005. The  
 270 strongest variations were encountered during the second half of 1992. In this  
 271 paper we therefore present results of magnetic fluctuations predicted for this  
 272 time series.

273 The velocity time series (Figure 2A) clearly show variations with the  
 274 solar rotation period ( $\approx 27$  days). It is harder to see this periodicity in  
 275 the resulting values for  $R_{ss}$  calculated from equation 10. The reason for  
 276 this is the density which does not show such a clear periodicity but varies



277 over a much greater range. Figure 2B shows the computed magnetopause  
278 subsolar point distances which span between 40 and 100 Jovian radii with  
279 an average of about  $70 R_J$ . These values lie in the typical range for  $R_{ss}$  at  
280 Jupiter (Huddleston et al., 1998). The short-lived peaks exceeding distances  
281 of  $100 R_J$  might be unrealistic but have no significance for our analysis. They  
282 only cause a slight decrease of the already rather weak magnetopause field  
283 at the satellites for these  $R_{ss}$  distances.

### 284 3.5. Analysis procedure

285 To distinguish the influence of different magnetospheric and orbital as-  
286 pects at the Galilean moons we performed a series of simulations with dif-  
287 ferent setups. Our model results were computed using time series for the  
288 satellites' positions in System III coordinates for simple circular orbits at the  
289 satellites' mean distance to Jupiter and orbits which include the satellites'  
290 inclination and eccentricity, respectively (values given in table 1). Addition-  
291 ally, different internal field and magnetopause configurations were considered.  
292 The internal field was determined for coefficients of degree and order 1, 2 or  
293 3, respectively, to distinguish the contributions of the different magnetic mo-  
294 ments. The magnetopause field was simulated for a fixed value of  $R_{ss} =$   
295  $60 R_J$ . For all of these simulations we used time series with a length of 1000  
296 Jovian rotations, sampled with 50,000 data points. Additionally, to simulate  
297 the magnetopause variability the Engle (1992) model was dynamically scaled  
298 to the varying subsolar point distances. For this part of the analysis we had to  
299 use a limited length of our time series which follows from the suitable Ulysses  
300 data. It covers about 517 rotations with 41,000 data points. The results of  
301 these simulations are time series for all magnetic field components. A Fast

302 Fourier Transform (FFT) analysis of the results provides us with amplitude  
 303 spectra for the inducing fields at all the satellites. As these spectra mainly  
 304 consist of delta peaks it was necessary to suppress spectral leakage in order  
 305 to obtain sufficiently precise amplitude values. We did this for each result-  
 306 ing delta peak separately, by repeating the analysis with a slightly different  
 307 length of our generic time series until we obtained a maximum amplitude  
 308 value. The resulting amplitudes and underlying frequencies for the models  
 309 presented in this section and for a time-variable magnetopause are discussed  
 310 in section 4.

## 311 4. Results for the Primary Field

### 312 4.1. The magnetospheric field at the Galilean moons

313 The models presented in section 3 can be used to compute the magnetic  
 314 fields along the orbits of Io, Europa, Ganymede and Callisto. Figure 3 shows  
 315 the variations of  $B_r$  and  $B_\Phi$  (in System III coordinates) at each satellite  
 316 during a simulation time of 1000 Jovian rotations. The field is elliptically  
 317 polarized with one cycle representing one synodical rotation of Jupiter with  
 318 respect to the satellite. At Callisto this polarization becomes nearly lin-  
 319 ear. The strength of the temporal field variations decreases from  $(B_r, B_\Phi)$   
 320  $= (650 \text{ nT}, 370 \text{ nT})$  at Io to about  $(B_r, B_\Phi) = (40 \text{ nT}, 10 \text{ nT})$  at Callisto.  
 321 These are the amplitudes of the major inducing signals at the synodic Jov-  
 322 ian rotation period. The orbital eccentricities and inclinations lead to some  
 323 broadening of the lines in figure 3, especially for Europa where these values  
 324 are highest (see table 1). Compared to the strong variations of the other  
 325 field components  $B_\theta$  is almost constant. There are, however, several minor

326 temporal variations which affect the  $B_\theta$  component. The spectral analysis  
327 presented in the section 4.2 discusses the temporal variations of all compo-  
328 nents in greater detail.

#### 329 *4.2. Periods and amplitudes of the inducing field*

330 We analyzed amplitude spectra of the magnetic field time series for the  
331 periods discussed in section 2. The spectra of a superposition of the mag-  
332 netic fields of all our models, for inclined and eccentric orbits and for a  
333 time-variable magnetopause are shown in figure 4. Table 2 lists all signifi-  
334 cant (arbitrarily defined as  $> 0.2$  nT) peak amplitudes and periods. These  
335 values have been derived from separate spectra for each magnetospheric con-  
336 tribution and magnetic component. The associated sources are indicated in  
337 the last column of the table. Small discrepancies between the amplitudes  
338 shown in figure 4 and the more accurate values in table 2 can be caused by  
339 spectral leakage at some peaks in the total spectrum.

##### 340 *4.2.1. Inducing fields with Jupiter's rotational period*

341 The major spectral peaks in figure 4 can be found in the  $B_r$  and  $B_\Phi$   
342 components at the synodical rotation period of Jupiter with respect to the  
343 satellites. The exact periods are 12.95 h for Io, 11.23 h for Europa, 10.53 h  
344 for Ganymede and 10.18 h for Callisto. The  $B_r$  amplitudes are quite large  
345 for all of the satellites. They reach up to 750 nT at Io, 215 nT at Europa and  
346 about 85 nT at Ganymede. Even at Callisto, where the dipole field is already  
347 quite weak but the current sheet variability becomes more important, we  
348 predict amplitudes of about 40 nT. The  $B_\Phi$  component provides additional  
349 inducing signals of 370 nT at Io, 105 nT at Europa, 30 nT at Ganymede and

350 10 nT at Callisto. The inducing fields in  $B_\theta$  at this period are caused by the  
 351 quadrupole moments. With values of 100 nT at Io, 16 nT at Europa, 2.5 nT  
 352 at Ganymede and only 0.3 nT at Callisto they are much weaker.

353 The spectra in figure 4 further show inducing fields with short periods  
 354 ( $1/2$  and  $1/3$  of the synodic Jovian rotation) evident both in  $B_r$  and  $B_\phi$ . The  
 355 corresponding amplitudes of  $B_r$  drop rapidly from 108 nT and 16 nT at Io  
 356 to about 17 nT and 2.8 nT at Europa and 2.6 nT and 3.3 nT at Ganymede.  
 357 At Callisto the only significant short period contribution of 6 nT is caused  
 358 by the current sheet structure. Some rather weak inducing fields of  $1/2$  of  
 359 the synodic Jovian rotation period can also be found in  $B_\theta$ .

360 According to our simulation results, every magnetic component provides  
 361 at least two short period ( $< 13$  h) inducing signals for each satellite. If the  
 362 interior of the satellites is sufficiently conductive the amplitude of most of  
 363 these signals should be large enough to provide measurable induced signals  
 364 at multiple frequencies.

#### 365 4.2.2. *Inducing fields with the satellites' orbital periods*

366 The inclinations and eccentricities of the satellites' orbits and their changes  
 367 in distance with respect to the magnetopause field cause inducing signals at  
 368 the satellites' orbital period. The corresponding periods are: 42.45 h for Io,  
 369 85.22 h for Europa, 171.70 h for Ganymede and 400.55 h for Callisto. The  
 370 orbital inclination causes inducing signals predominantly in the  $B_r$  compo-  
 371 nent. Except for 10 nT at Europa these signals are rather weak (2.9 nT at Io,  
 372 1.7 nT at Ganymede and only 0.7 nT at Callisto). However, the eccentricity  
 373 of the orbits and the magnetopause field cause additional periodic signals  
 374 in the  $B_\theta$  component. The amplitudes of these contributions add up to a

375 maximum of 27 nT at Io 17 nT at Europa and about 2.5 nT at Ganymede.  
376 At Callisto the amplitude of this signal is almost entirely determined by the  
377 position of the magnetopause. For a magnetopause standoff distance of  $R_{ss} =$   
378  $60 R_J$  we predict a signal of about 3 nT. The strength of this magnetopause  
379 field  $B_\theta$  peak depends on the strength of the solar wind. Figure 5 shows the  
380 dependency of the peak value on the subsolar point standoff distance in the  
381 magnetopause model. Strong solar wind conditions ( $R_{ss} \approx 40 R_J$ ) lead to  
382 increased amplitudes of about 6 nT for Callisto and 4 nT at Ganymede.

383 These long period inducing signals are of special interest as they penetrate  
384 deeper into the satellites' bodies. For Callisto and Ganymede we predict only  
385 weak long period signals which pose a challenge to magnetometer measure-  
386 ments on future Jupiter system missions.

#### 387 *4.2.3. Inducing fields with the solar rotation period*

388 The temporal variability of the magnetopause gives rise to a third set of  
389 field periodicities. The spectra in figure 4 show peaks arising at the solar  
390 rotation period of 641.9 h. At Callisto and Ganymede this feature is clearly  
391 visible with an amplitude of 1.2 nT. For Io and Europa the peaks are of about  
392 the same strength but small relative to other features in  $B_\theta$ . The reason for  
393 the similar strength at all satellites is that the solar rotation period is longer  
394 than their orbital period. Averaged over multiple orbits all satellites can  
395 be assumed to be approximately at the location of Jupiter. They therefore  
396 experience roughly the same variations regardless of their orbital distance.

397 These very long period inducing signals are again quite weak and will be  
398 rather difficult to measure. However, they pose the opportunity to sound  
399 very deeply into the satellites' interiors.

400 *4.3. Plasma interaction fields*

401 The main factors reducing the detectability of the signals presented above  
 402 are the plasma interaction fields which occur in the vicinities of the satellites.  
 403 In the last row of table 2 we give an estimate of the maximum interaction  
 404 fields near the satellites. The maximum total current in both Alfvén wings  
 405 due to the interaction is given after Neubauer (1980, 1998b) and Saur (2004)  
 406 as:

$$I = 8v_0 B_0 R_{sat} \Sigma_A \frac{\overbrace{\Sigma_P}^{\alpha}}{\Sigma_P + 2\Sigma_A}, \quad (11)$$

407 where we assume the plasma velocity  $\mathbf{v}_0$  to be perpendicular to the magnetic  
 408 field. The values in table 2 are calculated for the maximum current  $I_{max}$ , i.e.  
 409 in the limit of an infinite ionospheric Pedersen conductance  $\Sigma_P$  ( $\alpha = 1$ ) and  
 410 for maximum values of the velocity  $v_0$ , the background magnetic field  $B_0$  and  
 411 the Alfvén conductance  $\Sigma_A$  given by Kivelson et al. (2004). The magnetic  
 412 field due to the plasma interaction,  $B_p$ , follows from the current flowing  
 413 through the satellites' ionospheres (with an assumed ionospheric extension  
 414 of 300 km):

$$\oint B_p dx = \mu_0 I_{max} \Rightarrow B_p = \mu_0 \frac{I_{max}}{\pi(R_{sat} + 300km)}. \quad (12)$$

415 The values for the interaction given in table 2 should be taken as a crude  
 416 estimate of the maximum possible plasma fields occurring in addition to the  
 417 induced fields examined in this paper. Examples for field perturbations of  
 418 this strength (700 nT at Io and 300 nT for Europa) are the I0 (Kivelson et al.,  
 419 1996b) and the E12 (Kivelson et al., 2000) flybys of the Galileo spacecraft.

420 Most of the time, however, the plasma interaction is much weaker. While  
421 the values in table 2 (as well as the I0 and E12 flybys) correspond to situa-  
422 tions when the satellites are in the center of the current sheet, the interaction  
423 strength significantly diminishes as the satellites move away from this center.  
424 For example during the Europa E14 and Callisto C3 encounters of Galileo  
425 discussed by Zimmer et al. (2000) the field perturbations were as low as 20 nT  
426 and 5 nT, respectively. One reason for this dependence is the Alfvén conduc-  
427 tance which decreases by a factor of up to 1/2 for Io, 1/5 for Europa, 1/10  
428 for Ganymede and 1/250 for Callisto (Kivelson et al., 2004) with distance  
429 from the sheet’s center. The plasma interaction field  $B_P$  decreases accord-  
430 ingly. Additionally, the factor  $\alpha$  in equation (11) generally decreases as the  
431 ionospheric conductance  $\Sigma_P$  weakens with distance to the current sheet. The  
432 reason for this is that  $\Sigma_P$  depends on the ionospheric plasma density, which  
433 is controlled by the density of the magnetospheric plasma. Lower values for  
434  $\Sigma_P$  due to variations of the distance from the center of the current sheet can  
435 weaken the interaction strength  $\alpha$  in some cases about the same degree given  
436 above for the Alfvén conductance. Therefore, the analysis of induced fields  
437 in the satellites’ vicinities is much easier in situations when the distance to  
438 the current sheet center is large. Another factor that supports the separation  
439 of interaction fields and induced fields is the different temporal dependency  
440 of induced fields and interaction fields. While the induced fields periodically  
441 change their sign, the steady flow of plasma within the magnetosphere leads  
442 to interaction fields which only change in strength but usually not in sign. In  
443 summary, it is important to consider the plasma interaction effects for induc-  
444 tion studies at all satellites. Strategies which consider induction and plasma

445 interaction self-consistently are already established and were successfully ap-  
 446 plied to Europa by Schilling et al. (2007, 2008). Using such strategies it is  
 447 still realistic to distinguish even weak contributions of the induction within  
 448 the magnetic signals, at least when the satellites are far away from the center  
 449 of the current sheet.

## 450 5. Induction Model

451 In the following parts of this paper we will examine the inductive response  
 452 of the interiors of the Galilean moons to some of the inducing signals pre-  
 453 sented above. In the theoretical description of this response we assume the  
 454 satellites to be differentiated spheres. The conductivities of each of the shells  
 455 can be different, but they are assumed to be constant within each layer. To  
 456 describe the effects of electromagnetic induction in such a conductive sphere  
 457 we follow the theoretical approach of Parkinson (1983). We start with the  
 458 diffusion equation which can be derived from Ohm's, Faraday's and Ampère's  
 459 law and  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \times \left( \frac{1}{\sigma \mu} (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) \right), \quad (13)$$

where  $\mathbf{B}$  is the magnetic field diffusing into a medium with an electrical  
 conductivity of  $\sigma$ . For regions of spatially constant conductivity this equation  
 simplifies to

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{\sigma \mu} \Delta \mathbf{B}. \quad (14)$$

460 The displacement currents in Ampère's law are neglected here as the conduc-  
 461 tion currents are substantially larger for the relevant materials and appro-  
 462 priate time scales for the induction at the Galilean moons (e.g., Saur et al.,



2010). We also neglect the implications of tidal motions inside the liquid  
 or semi-liquid layers of the Galilean moons and assume that all conductive  
 materials are at rest. In the following we take  $\mu$  to equal the permeability  
 of the vacuum  $\mu_0$ . This is justified for diamagnetic and paramagnetic ma-  
 terials discussed for the interiors of the Galilean moons with  $\mu_r \approx 1$  (Saur  
 et al., 2010). Let us assume the presence of a time-variable primary field  $\mathbf{B}_{pri}$   
 which includes contributions from  $N$  different frequencies  $\omega_n$  with amplitudes  
 $\mathbf{B}_n$ . Since equation (14) is linear in  $\mathbf{B}$ , the time-dependent component of its  
 solution can be expressed as a Fourier decomposition of the form:

$$\mathbf{B}_{pri} = \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{B}_n e^{-i\omega_n t}. \quad (15)$$

We can now search for solutions of (14) for each periodicity of the field (for  
 each  $n$ ) separately.

The fields inside and outside the satellite need to be treated using different  
 approaches. If we neglect the plasma currents outside the satellite, we can  
 describe the magnetic field in this region by using a scalar potential of the  
 form  $\mathbf{B}_{ext} = -\nabla U_{ext}$ . This potential includes complex coefficients of both  
 the primary field  $B_{pri}$  and the induced secondary field  $B_{sec}$ :

$$U_{ext}(r, \theta, \Phi) = R \left[ B_{pri} \left( \frac{r}{R} \right)^l + B_{sec} \left( \frac{R}{r} \right)^{l+1} \right] S_l^m(\theta, \Phi) e^{-i\omega t}. \quad (16)$$

Here  $R$  is the satellite's radius and  $l$  and  $m$  the degree and order of the  
 spherical harmonics  $S_l^m$  characterizing the potential. To describe the field  
 inside the conducting sphere (where  $\mathbf{j} \neq 0$ ) it is useful to use the vector  
 potential  $\mathbf{A}_{int}$  with  $\nabla \times \mathbf{A}_{int} = \mathbf{B}_{int}$ . This potential can be separated in a

483 toroidal part  $T$  and a poloidal part  $P$ :

$$\mathbf{A}_{int} = T\mathbf{r} + \nabla P \times \mathbf{r}. \quad (17)$$

484 We can neglect  $T$  as it has no radial component and therefore can neither be  
 485 induced by external fields nor be detected outside the sphere (see Parkinson,  
 486 1983). When we assume a spherically symmetric conductivity distribution  
 487 ( $\sigma = \sigma(r)$ ) we can write  $P$  as:

$$P = \gamma F(r) S_l^m(\theta, \Phi) e^{-i\omega t}. \quad (18)$$

488 Here  $F$  is a function of  $r$ , and  $\gamma$  an additional constant both of which need  
 489 to be determined. As the magnetic field  $\mathbf{B}_{int}$ , which follows from  $\mathbf{A}_{int}$ , has  
 490 to solve the diffusion equation (14) it can be shown that  $F(r)$  obeys the  
 491 modified spherical Bessel equation which has two independent solutions:

$$F_1(r, k) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2rk}} I_{l+\frac{1}{2}}(rk), \quad (19)$$

$$F_2(r, k) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2rk}} K_{l+\frac{1}{2}}(rk). \quad (20)$$

492 These are the spherical modified Bessel functions of the first and second kind  
 493 (e.g. Parkinson, 1983, Abramowitz and Stegun, 1964, Riley et al., 2006).

494 They depend on  $r$  and on the complex wave number  $k = \sqrt{-i\omega\mu_0\sigma}$ . Let  
 495 us now consider the case of a sphere consisting of  $J$  different shells with  
 496 conductivities and radii as shown in figure 6.

497 Instead of explicitly deriving a solution for  $\mathbf{B}$  we can formulate a response  
 498 function which gives the amplitude ratio of the primary and secondary field  
 499 outside the surface. We do this by solving a system of equations that follows

500 from applying continuous boundary conditions for  $B_r$  and  $B_\Phi$  at the boundary  
 501 between the different shells. At the surface  $B_r$  and  $B_\Phi$  need to be equal to the  
 502 corresponding values of  $\mathbf{B}_{ext}$ . Each of the field components of  $\mathbf{B}_{int}$  and  $\mathbf{B}_{ext}$   
 503 depend on  $S_l^m(\theta, \Phi)$  and  $e^{-i\omega t}$ . Therefore, these terms cancel each other. As  
 504  $F_2$  in (20) goes to infinity at  $r = 0$ , it is no suitable solution for the innermost  
 505 shell. For all other shells with index  $j$  a linear combination  $C_j F_1 + D_j F_2$  is  
 506 the general solution. This gives rise to  $2J - 1$  constants to be determined.  
 507 A solution is given by the following recursive formula:

$$\frac{B_{sec}}{B_{pri}} = \frac{l \frac{F_1'(Rk_J)}{F_1(Rk_J)} - (l+1) + \frac{D_{J-1} F_2(Rk_J)}{C_{J-1} F_1(Rk_J)} \left[ \frac{F_2'(Rk_J)}{F_2(Rk_J)} - (l+1) \right]}{l+1 \frac{F_1'(Rk_J)}{F_1(Rk_J)} + l + \frac{D_{J-1} F_2(Rk_J)}{C_{J-1} F_1(Rk_J)} \left[ \frac{F_2'(Rk_J)}{F_2(Rk_J)} + l \right]}, \quad (21)$$

$$\frac{D_j}{C_j} = \frac{F_1(r_{j-1}k_j)}{F_2(r_{j-1}k_j)} \left( \frac{\frac{F_1'(r_{j-1}k_j)}{F_1(r_{j-1}k_j)} - \frac{F_1'(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})}{F_1(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})}}{\frac{D_{j-1} F_2(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})}{C_{j-1} F_1(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})} \left[ \frac{F_1'(r_{j-1}k_j)}{F_1(r_{j-1}k_j)} - \frac{F_2'(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})}{F_2(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})} \right]}}{\frac{\frac{F_1'(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})}{F_1(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})} - \frac{F_2'(r_{j-1}k_j)}{F_2(r_{j-1}k_j)} + \frac{D_{j-1} F_2(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})}{C_{j-1} F_1(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})} \left[ \frac{F_2'(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})}{F_2(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})} - \frac{F_2'(r_{j-1}k_j)}{F_2(r_{j-1}k_j)} \right]}}{\frac{D_{j-1} F_2(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})}{C_{j-1} F_1(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})} \left[ \frac{F_2'(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})}{F_2(r_{j-1}k_{j-1})} - \frac{F_2'(r_{j-1}k_j)}{F_2(r_{j-1}k_j)} \right]}} \right), \quad (22)$$

$$\frac{D_2}{C_2} = \frac{F_1(r_1k_2)}{F_2(r_1k_2)} \left( \frac{\frac{F_1'(r_1k_2)}{F_1(r_1k_2)} - \frac{F_1'(r_1k_1)}{F_1(r_1k_1)}}{\frac{F_1'(r_1k_1)}{F_1(r_1k_1)} - \frac{F_2'(r_1k_2)}{F_2(r_1k_2)}} \right). \quad (23)$$

508 Here (21) represents the boundary condition at the surface, (23) at the in-  
 509 nermost shell and (22) at each shell in between. The ratio  $B_{sec}/B_{pri}$  is a  
 510 complex expression which can be decomposed in:

$$\frac{B_{sec}}{B_{pri}} = \frac{l}{l+1} A e^{i\phi}, \quad (24)$$

511 where  $A$  is the relative amplitude of the secondary field with respect to the  
 512 primary field. The maximum possible amplitude is  $A = 1$ . In this case the  
 513 sphere acts as a perfect conductor.  $\phi$  is the phase shift of the secondary  
 514 signal with respect to the primary field.  $l = 1$  gives the case of a dipole  
 515 shape field.

516 The inducing signal can be seen as a diffusion-wave which is damped by  
 517 the conductive media of the interior. The depth at which the amplitude of the  
 518 wave has decreased by a factor of  $e$  is called skin depth  $\delta$ . It depends on the  
 519 conductivity of each separate layer and on the frequency of the propagating  
 520 wave:

$$\delta = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\sigma\mu_0\omega}}. \quad (25)$$

521 With the amplitudes and the periods of the primary field determined in  
 522 section 4 we can now determine the corresponding secondary field by using  
 523 suitable interior conductivity structures for each satellite.

## 524 6. Results for the Secondary Field

525 We now analyze the secondary fields generated by the primary fields de-  
 526 rived in section 4.2. Three periods of the primary field are treated separately:  
 527 the synodic rotation period of Jupiter, the satellites' orbital period and the  
 528 solar rotation period. For each period we apply the induction model given by  
 529 equations (21) to (24) to different interior models from the literature. Two  
 530 models were selected for each satellite. First we use models which explic-  
 531 itly assume the existence of an ocean. For Io we chose a model involving  
 532 a magma ocean by Keszthelyi et al. (1999). Models considering a subsur-

533 face water ocean were given by Kuskov and Kronrod (2005) for Europa and  
534 Callisto and by Kimura et al. (2009) for Ganymede. In preparation for this  
535 paper we also analyzed results from other elaborated models such as Schu-  
536 bert et al. (2009) for Europa and Schubert et al. (2004) or Sohl et al. (2002)  
537 for Ganymede and Callisto. The differences in the overall model setup with  
538 respect to the models presented here, mainly variations of the thicknesses of  
539 the layers, are relatively subtle from the induction point of view. Therefore,  
540 we do not provide discussion for these models. We do, however, discuss some  
541 notable differences in sections 6.3 and 6.4. We include a second, rather sim-  
542 ple set of three layer models (consisting of crust, mantle and core) by Zhang  
543 (2003). Even though these models are less likely, they are useful to discuss  
544 the effect different features, like a smaller ice shell thickness at Europa or a  
545 larger depth of the ocean layer at Ganymede, have on the induction signals.  
546 The Zhang (2003) models also give us the opportunity to compare our results  
547 for the different satellites. In order to test the implications of different ocean  
548 configurations, we vary its thickness and conductivity over a certain range.  
549 For Io, Callisto and the Kimura et al. (2009)-Ganymede model we keep the  
550 outer crustal layer fixed and reduce the thickness of the mantle layer below  
551 the ocean as we increase its extension to preserve the satellite's radius. At  
552 Europa and for the Zhang (2003)-Ganymede model the thickness of the crust  
553 is reduced while the mantle thickness is kept fixed. The values for all other  
554 layers including the thickness of the core are kept fixed.

555 We present the resulting amplitudes (in %) in contour plots covering  
556 the plausible oceans thickness and conductivity ranges (figures 7, 9, 11 and  
557 13). In the following discussions we denominate cases which lie near the

558 lower right corner of these plots as *strong ocean case* and cases near the  
559 upper right corner as *weak ocean case*. To determine the resolving power the  
560 analysis method provides for the satellite's core, we display the amplitude  
561 difference (denoted  $\Delta A$  in figures 7 to 13) between the present model and  
562 the same model without a conductive core, i.e. with a core conductivity of  
563  $10^{-9}$  S/m (not exactly zero for numerical reasons). This difference gives the  
564 percentage of the core contribution to the total signal. The core influence is  
565 represented by the color plots. Note the color scales for the core influence  
566 and the isolines in black for the total induced amplitudes are two different  
567 quantities independently plotted in figures 7 to 13. White and yellow colors  
568 indicate negative values for the core influence or regions where the amplitude  
569 decreases due to higher core conductivities. In addition to the amplitude we  
570 analyzed the phase shift of the induced signal in a similar way (figures 8,  
571 10, 12 and 14). The relative amplitudes of the induced fields resulting from  
572 equation (24), can be multiplied with the inducing amplitudes derived in  
573 section 4.2. This yields the predicted secondary field strength which would  
574 be measurable at the surface of the satellites. Please keep in mind that all  
575 explicit values (in nT) given in this chapter should not be taken as the field  
576 strength a spacecraft could measure at flybys or in orbit around the satellite.  
577 Instead, a spacecraft at a distance  $r$  would encounter fields decreased by the  
578 factor  $(r/R)^3$  for a dipole field. This is the case for the locally homogeneous  
579 inducing fields considered in our analysis.

580 One major uncertainty of our approach are the values for the conductiv-  
581 ity of the materials involved. So far there is almost no scientific information  
582 available about the electrical conductivities of materials under the physical

583 conditions present inside the Galilean moons. We tried to estimate these  
584 values based on various sources in the literature. The densities of the lay-  
585 ers are used as a proxy for the state of the material. Other factors like  
586 the temperature were not available for all models and were not included in  
587 the estimation. We preferentially use values which have been given for the  
588 interior of the earth. Table 3 lists the assumed materials, the estimated  
589 conductivities and the references.

### 590 *6.1. Io*

591 The interior of Io has been modeled by Keszthelyi et al. (1999, 2004) and  
592 Zhang (2003). So far there is no direct evidence for a global magma ocean at  
593 Io. However, Keszthelyi et al. (1999) state that due to very high temperature  
594 silicate lavas discovered at the surface, ultramafic volcanism seems to be a  
595 common property of Io. They argue that this discovery is inconsistent with  
596 a largely solid interior of Io. Instead Keszthelyi et al. (1999) suggest that the  
597 existence of a mushy magma ocean could be an explanation for the observed  
598 surface features. We adapted the four layer model of Keszthelyi et al. (1999)  
599 which includes a FeS core of medium conductivity, a relatively conductive  
600 partially molten mantle and a up to 250 km thick magma ocean beneath a  
601 thin crust (see table 4). The second model is given by Zhang (2003). We  
602 extended this three layer model by substituting the upper part of the mantle  
603 with a magma ocean layer (table 5). This extension may not be consistent  
604 with the results of Zhang (2003), especially for thick magma ocean layers.  
605 Results for these cases should therefore not be taken as realistic predictions  
606 but as a crude estimate for the induction at Io.

607 Figure 7 shows the resulting relative amplitudes at three periods of the

608 primary field for both models. To assess the significance of these figures, it  
609 is interesting to note that, for large conductivities and small thicknesses of  
610 the magma ocean, the amplitude isolines become straight and follow lines of  
611 constant magma ocean conductance ( $A \propto \sigma h$ ).

### 612 *6.1.1. Observability of the magma ocean*

613 For both models the isolines in figure 7 show that at the synodic rotation  
614 period as well as the orbital period amplitudes near 90% are possible for the  
615 strong magma ocean case ( $\sigma > 1$  S/m,  $h > 5$  km). This is nearly the per-  
616 fect conductor case. For the solar rotation period the maximum amplitude  
617 is about 60%. For weaker magma oceans the conductivity of the partially  
618 molten mantle prevents the amplitude to drop to 0%. To obtain the actual  
619 contribution by the magma ocean to the total signal one needs to subtract  
620 the signal remaining in the case of a weak magma ocean. This gives a contri-  
621 bution by the magma ocean of about 65 to 80% depending on the period. At  
622 Io the partially molten mantle contributes significantly to the total signal. We  
623 determine the secondary signal for mantle conductivities of  $10^{-4}$  S/m and  
624  $10^{-2}$  S/m and find an increase of up to 20% to 25% for a period of 12.95 h  
625 for both models. It should be noted that at  $10^{-2}$  S/m the conductivity of the  
626 magma ocean drops below that of the mantle beneath. In figure 7 this causes  
627 a convergence of the isolines at  $10^{-2}$  S/m and a reversal in the direction of  
628 the lines for smaller conductivities. The Zhang (2003) model gives ampli-  
629 tudes which are about 7% weaker than those obtained with the Keszthelyi  
630 et al. (1999) model. This is a result of the higher crustal thickness in this  
631 model. An increased distance to the conducting layer results in a significant  
632 decrease of the measurable signal. Due to the strong primary signals at Io



633 even a relatively weak magma ocean configuration produces significant sig-  
634 nals at the surface of Io in the orbital and synodical frequency range. For  
635 the strong magma ocean case ( $\sigma > 1$  S/m,  $h > 5$  km) we predict signals of  
636 up to 210 nT at a period of 12.95 h and 14 nT at 42.95 h occurring at the  
637 surface of Io. The amplitude for the solar rotation period will be quite weak  
638 (up to 0.4 nT). The strong plasma interaction field at Io will, however, make  
639 it very difficult to extract even the strongest induction signals from single  
640 flyby measurements (e.g., Kivelson et al., 2001, Saur et al., 2002).

#### 641 *6.1.2. Observability of the core*

642 The amplitude difference between the original model and a model with  
643 a nearly non-conductive core is indicated by the color plot in figure 7. It is  
644 intriguing why this difference becomes negative (white and yellow areas in  
645 figure 7). This is possible due to mutual induction occurring between the  
646 core and the magma ocean. This effect will be discussed in greater detail in  
647 section 6.5. The core influence for both models of Io at all periods is about  
648  $-1.8\%$  to  $2.5\%$ . If we combine these values with the primary field for a period  
649 of 12.95 h (section 4.2) we get a prediction for the core field strength at the  
650 surface of Io of about 5 nT. For the 42.95 h period the signal strength would  
651 be only 0.2 nT. A conductive core is detectable only for certain magma ocean  
652 configurations. A strong magma ocean will almost completely shield the core  
653 from the primary field. The maximum difference can be seen for weak magma  
654 oceans and for the solar rotation period. The primary field for this period is,  
655 however, very weak ( $< 0.01$  nT). Mutual induction may in some cases (dark  
656 yellow in figure 7) allow for some contribution of a conductive core to the  
657 total signal even in the presence of a rather strong magma ocean.

658 *6.1.3. Phase information*

659 The phase shift of the secondary field with respect to the primary field  
660 yields additional information for induction studies. A comparison of the pan-  
661 els of figure 7 and figure 8 shows, that while the amplitude rises monotonously  
662 toward the lower right corner of the displayed parameter space, the values for  
663 the phase shift reach a maximum value somewhere between the strong ocean  
664 case and the weak ocean case. Not so obvious but equally important are  
665 the different gradients of the isolines in some parts of the parameter space of  
666 figure 7 and figure 8. Therefore, two different internal configurations showing  
667 exactly the same amplitude of the induced field (lying on the same isoline in  
668 figure 7) may lead to different phase shifts and may be distinguished. Figure  
669 8 shows that strong magma ocean configurations ( $\sigma > 1$  S/m,  $h > 5$  km)  
670 suppress the phase shift almost completely. However, weaker magma oceans  
671 yield a significant phase shift of up to  $70^\circ$ . The timing of the observed induc-  
672 tion signal is therefore another indicator for the conductivity of the satellite.  
673 The differences for the phase again show that a strong magma ocean shields  
674 the core. The maximum phase difference occurs for weak magma oceans and  
675 is only significant ( $> 10^\circ$ ) for the orbital and solar rotation periods.

676 *6.2. Europa*

677 Europa's ocean is thought to lie beneath a relatively thin layer of ice (e.g.  
678 Pappalardo et al., 1999). The ocean is expected to be directly connected to  
679 the rocky mantle which may be one source of heat to keep it liquid (see e.g.  
680 Schubert et al., 2009). We use Europa models from Kuskov and Kronrod  
681 (2005) and again Zhang (2003). Both are four layer models including a FeS-  
682 or Fe-core, a silicate mantle and a liquid ocean beneath an icy crust. The

683 model parameters including our estimated conductivities are given in tables  
684 6 and 7.

685 We display the amplitude as a function of ocean conductivity and thick-  
686 ness and the amplitude differences compared to the same model with a non-  
687 conductive core in figure 9.

### 688 *6.2.1. Observability of the ocean*

689 Both interior models show that a distinct ocean ( $\sigma > 1$  S/m,  $h > 10$  km)  
690 induces signals which almost reach the primary field strength (80% to 90%)  
691 for all periods. According to our results of section 4.2 such an ocean would  
692 produce signals at Europa's surface of 80 nT at 11.23 h, 6 nT at 85.22 h  
693 and 0.5 nT at a period of 641.9 h. The results for both models are almost  
694 indistinguishable. Obviously the slightly smaller ice shell thickness and the  
695 larger core conductivity of the Zhang (2003) model have no major influence.  
696 The nearly unconducting mantle layer does not affect the strength of the  
697 total signal. Up to a mantle conductivity of about  $10^{-3}$  S/m its influence lies  
698 beneath 1% of the primary signal. Our model predicts, however, significant  
699 signals of about 50% even for moderate ocean parameters of  $h \approx 1$  km and  
700  $\sigma \approx 5$  S/m. Like other authors before (e.g. Zimmer et al., 2000, Schilling  
701 et al., 2007) we conclude that the large induction signals observed at Europa  
702 might very well be the result of a liquid ocean.

703 There are still many unknown parameters of the ocean like its depth, its  
704 extension, its salinity and so on. This information may be gained by ob-  
705 taining magnetic field data of sufficient accuracy to be analyzed for multiple  
706 inducing frequencies. The measured amplitude for a single frequency can be  
707 explained by models with various ocean thicknesses  $h$  and conductivities  $\sigma$

708 (represented by isolines in figure 9). The amplitudes depend non-linearly on  
709 the interior conductivity parameters. Therefore, with amplitude information  
710 for multiple frequencies, all interior models which can not explain these val-  
711 ues simultaneously can be ruled out. Information for each single frequency  
712 therefore narrows the valid parameter range for  $\sigma$  and  $h$ . Our results show  
713 that multi-frequency measurements at Europa should be possible at all three  
714 presented frequencies.

### 715 *6.2.2. Observability of the core*

716 In the absence of a conductive ocean ( $\sigma < 1$  S/m,  $h < 1$  km) the sec-  
717 ondary field strength drops to about 5% of the primary field for the Zhang  
718 (2003) model and 1.4% to 4% (depending on the frequency) for the Kuskov  
719 and Kronrod (2005) model. The residuals are signals induced in the core.  
720 Although their relative values are larger than at Io, the lower primary field  
721 amplitudes give rise to about the same secondary field strength at the surface  
722 of 5 nT at a period of 11.23 h. For a period of 85.22 h the signal strength  
723 is about 0.4 nT. The major limiting factor for the detection of these signals  
724 is the strong damping by Europa's ocean. There is, however, a certain pa-  
725 rameter range of  $\sigma$  and  $h$  (yellow in figure 9) where the mutual induction  
726 effect allows for a core signal of 1% to 2% in the presence of the ocean. If  
727 an ocean is clearly visible in the signal for multiple frequencies but one fre-  
728 quency lacks these 1% to 2% of the predicted signal strength this could be  
729 interpreted as the contribution of a conductive core due to mutual induction.  
730 This fact could be exploited to detect the core in future measurements. For  
731 example, with an iron core like in the Zhang (2003) model a contribution of  
732 about 2 nT to the total signal at a period of 11.23 h is reached for ocean

733 parameters inside the yellow colored region of figure 9 (lower panel). We  
734 therefore conclude that it might be possible to detect a conductive core at  
735 Europa with the induction method though the signal will likely be rather  
736 small.

### 737 *6.2.3. Phase information*

738 The phase shift for strong ocean cases at Europa ( $\sigma > 1$  S/m,  $h > 10$  km)  
739 is small for the synodical and orbital inducing frequencies (see figure 10). It  
740 is, however, about  $10^\circ$  to  $20^\circ$  larger for the solar rotation period. When we  
741 compare both interior models we see that the higher core conductivity of  
742 the Zhang (2003) model leads to a much smaller phase shift for weak oceans  
743 ( $\sigma < 1$  S/m,  $h < 1$  km). The difference in the phase shift in the case of a  
744 non-conductive core is also large in the absence of a conductive ocean (see  
745 color contours at the top left corners in all panels of figure 10).

### 746 *6.3. Ganymede*

747 Ganymede is not only another candidate for a subsurface liquid ocean,  
748 but also possesses the only known dynamo field of a moon in the solar sys-  
749 tem. Information about Ganymede's ocean and core are therefore of great  
750 scientific value. In order to analyze the secondary field at Ganymede we  
751 adapt models by Kimura et al. (2009) and Zhang (2003). The parameters  
752 used to adapt these models are given in the tables 8 and 9. The model of  
753 Kimura et al. (2009) consists of five layers with an ocean located between  
754 the crust and a lower mantle ice layer. Basis of this model are numerical  
755 simulations of the thermal history of Ganymede. Several additional models  
756 based on calculations of the temperature, pressure and density with depth

757 profiles constrained by gravity measurements by the Galileo spacecraft were  
758 presented by Sohl et al. (2002). The outermost layer for those models in-  
759 cludes a phase transition from ice I to ice III, ice V and ice VI through the  
760 first 900 km of the satellite. The thicknesses of the silicate layer below the  
761 ice and the innermost core layer vary between 900 km to 1100 km and 834  
762 km to 634 km respectively, depending on the density of the core. Except  
763 for weaker signals from the core layer due to the smaller core radius, the  
764 Sohl et al. (2002) models show results for the induced signals which are very  
765 similar to those we infer for the Kimura et al. (2009) model. Therefore, only  
766 notable differences in the induced fields for these models are discussed here.  
767 The second model we present in greater detail was given by Zhang (2003).  
768 Although this four layer model is probably too simple to realistically describe  
769 Ganymede's interior we present it here to give the possibility to compare our  
770 results for Ganymede with those for the other satellites. The model consists  
771 of an iron core, a rocky mantle and an icy crust at the bottom of which we  
772 include Ganymede's ocean. Please note that the assumption that the ocean  
773 lies deep inside the interior and has contact to the rocky mantle is not very  
774 realistic. Still, we use this setup to investigate at which depth the ocean  
775 produces a significant signal. Also the presented range for the thickness of  
776 the ocean may be greatly exaggerated.

### 777 6.3.1. Observability of the ocean

778 The amplitude structures for both Ganymede models look quite different  
779 (isolines in figure 11). For the Kimura et al. (2009) model the top of the ocean  
780 is relatively close to the surface. This causes large induced amplitudes of  
781 about 80% even for average values for the oceans conductivity ( $\sigma > 0.1$  S/m)

782 and thickness ( $h > 0.1$  km). The mantle contributes less than 1% to these  
783 signals for conductivities lower than  $10^{-3}$  S/m. The corresponding secondary  
784 field at Ganymede's surface which follows from the results of section 4.2 has  
785 a strength of about 32 nT for 10.53 h, 0.6 nT for 171.7 h and 0.5 nT for  
786 a period of 641.9 h. For the Zhang (2003) model the relative amplitudes  
787 are considerably smaller (up to about 50% less), except for large values of  
788  $h$  ( $> 100$  km). The reason for this is that the upper boundary of the ocean  
789 lies deep inside the satellite for thin ocean layers. As the lower boundary is  
790 kept fixed, the ocean is close to the surface only for large ocean thicknesses.  
791 We conclude that an ocean which lies deep in the interior of Ganymede will  
792 produce significantly weaker induction signals. For realistic ocean depths of  
793 about 150 km (e.g. Spohn and Schubert, 2003) this effect should be rather  
794 small. One should, however, keep in mind that the detectability of all oceans  
795 presented in this study depends on the depth of its upper boundary.

### 796 *6.3.2. Observability of the core*

797 The internal dynamo field discovered at Ganymede (Kivelson et al., 1996a)  
798 indicates the existence of a layer of molten iron in the core region of the satel-  
799 lite. Additional information about Ganymede's core, might be gained from  
800 induction caused by different periods of the time varying external magnetic  
801 field. The core's contribution to the total field induced by the primary field  
802 (neglecting Ganymede's internal field) in absence of an ocean on Ganymede is  
803 about 5% of the primary field for the Kimura et al. (2009) model and about  
804 2% for the Zhang (2003) model, where the core radius is about 300 km  
805 smaller. The Ganymede model given by Schubert et al. (2004), whose re-  
806 sults are otherwise similar to the Kimura et al. (2009) model, also shows less

807 distinct core signals of about 2.7% due to its smaller core radius. Without a  
808 conductive ocean the resulting secondary field at the surface has a strength  
809 of about 2 nT at a period of 10.53 h for the Kimura et al. (2009) model. The  
810 signal induced in the core easily becomes obscured by the overlying ocean.  
811 The mutual induction effect gives rise to core signals of up to 0.8 nT in some  
812 cases (yellow regions in figure 11). This signal strength is, however, very  
813 likely too small to allow for a reliable detection of the core especially in the  
814 presence of plasma interaction fields.

### 815 6.3.3. Phase information

816 The phase information gives a similar picture for both models (figure 12).  
817 A strong ocean configuration ( $\sigma > 10$  S/m,  $h > 10$  km) suppresses the phase  
818 shift. The same applies for the case of weak ocean configurations where the  
819 remaining signal represents the influence of the core. Therefore, a weak signal  
820 with little phase shift could be interpreted as a signal of the core alone while  
821 a strong signal without phase lag indicates a significant contribution of an  
822 ocean. The parameter regime with the biggest phase shift seems to coincide  
823 with the regime where mutual induction plays a role. In summary it seems  
824 promising to include the phase information in analysis of real data.

### 825 6.4. Callisto

826 Similar to Europa, Callisto is considered to be a candidate for a subsurface  
827 liquid water ocean due to its interior magnetic field that was interpreted as  
828 an induction signal from a conductive layer (Khurana et al., 1998, Neubauer,  
829 1998a, Kivelson et al., 1999, Zimmer et al., 2000). Callisto has a moderate  
830 normalized moment of inertia of  $C/MR^2 = 0.35$  suggesting its interior is



831 only partially differentiated (Anderson et al., 2001). We address this fact  
832 by adapting the model of Kuskov and Kronrod (2005) as a six layer repre-  
833 sentation (table 10) with larger conductivities toward the center. The ocean  
834 is assumed to lie beneath an icy crust and above a mantle divided in three  
835 sub layers. Callisto does not possess a core with a significant amount of iron  
836 in this model so that its conductivity is rather low. Sohl et al. (2002) pre-  
837 sented several additional multilayer models of Callisto's interior constrained  
838 by Galileo gravity measurements. The authors present two models assum-  
839 ing different core compositions and densities (pure olivine-type rock with  
840  $3300 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  and a mixture of 50 wt% iron and 50 wt% olivine). In these  
841 models the outermost icy shell with a thickness of 660 km includes a phase  
842 transition from ice I to ice VI. The layer beneath consists of hydrated sil-  
843 icates or a rock-ice mixture with a shell thickness of 1150 km to 1300 km  
844 depending on the core density. The results we infer using the Sohl et al.  
845 (2002) models are quite similar to the ones presented for the Kuskov and  
846 Kronrod (2005) model in this section. The only notable difference comes  
847 from a slightly larger crust, i.e. ice I layer thickness (we adopt a value of  
848 180 km). Therefore, instead of explicitly discussing the results for the Sohl  
849 et al. (2002) models we present results for a model by Zhang (2003) (table  
850 11). This model consists of four layers with a larger crustal thickness and a  
851 larger core density than the Kuskov and Kronrod (2005) model. We adapt  
852 this larger density by increasing the core conductivity. As already mentioned  
853 for Ganymede, the Zhang (2003) model with an ocean located deep in the  
854 interior in direct contact to the mantle and with such a large range of thick-  
855 nesses is hardly realistic. It should therefore not be used as a stand alone

856 case, but only for comparison with the more realistic model by Kuskov and  
857 Kronrod (2005) and with the models given by Zhang (2003) for the other  
858 Galilean moons. The results are shown in figure 13 and 14.

#### 859 *6.4.1. Observability of the ocean*

860 Both models show a distinct signal of up to 80% for the synodic rotation  
861 period even for average values of the conductivity ( $> 1$  S/m) and thickness  
862 ( $> 1$  km). The model from Sohl et al. (2002) gives results similar to the  
863 ones shown for Kuskov and Kronrod (2005) in figure 13. Only for strong  
864 ocean configurations (lower right corner of the figure) the amplitude is about  
865 2 to 4 % smaller due to the larger crustal thickness. The contribution of the  
866 mantle layers to these values is less than 1% as long as their conductivities  
867 are lower than  $10^{-4}$  S/m. Taking into account the results of section 4.2, the  
868 strength of the secondary field for the 10.18 h period is 16 nT at the surface of  
869 Callisto. The rotation period of Callisto is comparable to the solar rotation  
870 period. For both frequencies a signal of 70% to 80% can be expected for  
871 strong ocean cases ( $\sigma > 10$  S/m,  $h > 10$  km). The corresponding secondary  
872 field strengths are 0.9 nT for 400.55 h and 0.4 nT for a period of 641.9 h. To  
873 apply the multi-frequency approach at Callisto it is necessary to measure the  
874 magnetic field in the vicinity of the satellite very precisely and to determine  
875 the contribution from the plasma interaction.

#### 876 *6.4.2. Observability of the core*

877 We chose a low conductivity for the core in the Kuskov and Kronrod  
878 (2005) model. Such a core has almost no influence on the total induction sig-  
879 nal and will certainly not be detectable. The situation looks somewhat better

880 for the Zhang (2003) model. However, contributions of 1% (with mutual in-  
881 duction, yellow regions in figure 13) to 2% (without a conductive ocean) only  
882 yield a secondary field strength at the surface of 0.2 nT to 0.4 nT at a period  
883 of 10.18 h. We conclude that it will not be possible to gain information about  
884 Callisto's core from induction measurements at any frequency.

#### 885 *6.4.3. Phase information*

886 The model results for Callisto show that a strong ocean ( $\sigma > 10$  S/m,  $h >$   
887 10 km) suppresses a phase shift of the signal. For a non-conductive ocean the  
888 weak overall conductivity of the Kuskov and Kronrod (2005) model leads to  
889 a phase lag of nearly  $90^\circ$ . The larger core conductivity of the Zhang (2003)  
890 model on the other hand suppresses the phase shift to some degree. There-  
891 fore, if there were no ocean on Callisto one could possibly gain information  
892 about the core from the phase shift.

#### 893 *6.5. Mutual induction*

894 Throughout this section we repeatedly mentioned the effect of mutual  
895 induction. When we subtract the amplitude results of models with a weak  
896 core conductivity from our original models we get negative values for certain  
897 ocean thicknesses and conductivities. This means that a less conductive  
898 core can lead to a larger induction signal than a highly conductive core if  
899 a conductive ocean is present. The reason for this is as follows. The time-  
900 variable primary field ((1) in figure 15) induces a field inside the satellite's  
901 core ((3) in fig. 15). This field in turn is part of the total field the conductive  
902 ocean (blue layer in fig. 15) experiences. However, the field induced in the  
903 core tries to act against the primary field and therefore has an opposite sign.

904 It induces a magnetic field inside the ocean which leads to a decrease of the  
905 total induction signal outside the satellite ((4) and (4') in fig. 15). This  
906 mutual induction between the core and the ocean is completely included  
907 in the theoretical description of section 5. It is only significant when the  
908 ocean layer is not conductive enough or too thin to completely shield the  
909 underlying material from the primary field. On the other hand it needs to be  
910 conductive enough to allow for induction from the core signal. That is why  
911 we see this effect in an intermediate parameter region in the plots of section  
912 6.1 to 6.4 (white and yellow regions in the amplitude results of figure 7 to  
913 13). Generally all fields induced at the satellites in turn induce magnetic  
914 fields in all conductive layers.

## 915 **7. Induction Studies by Spacecraft Missions**

916 Magnetometer data of the Galileo spacecraft are so far the only sources  
917 for induction measurements at the Galilean moons. Only a few flybys exist  
918 which provide measurements in the vicinity of the satellites for a short pe-  
919 riod of time. It is also very difficult to adequately separate magnetic fields  
920 from plasma interaction effects in these data. Therefore, those measure-  
921 ments are not well suited for multi-frequency induction analysis. Additional  
922 magnetometer measurements by future Jupiter system missions are therefore  
923 necessary to apply the multi-frequency induction method.

924 For multi-frequency induction studies it is preferable to use magnetome-  
925 ter data from a spacecraft orbiting the satellite rather than just flyby data.  
926 An orbiter could perform continuous measurements over a time of several  
927 excitation periods and thus provide an excellent temporal coverage. The op-

928 timal geometry for such orbits would be a low polar orbit. A coverage of  
929 the whole satellite surface can be achieved by the rotation of the orbit in the  
930 east-west direction. As the secondary field strength decreases by  $r^{-3}$  with  
931 distance to the surface, it is crucial to keep the orbits as low as possible. In  
932 addition, the internal field “seen” from a low polar orbit will contain only  
933 small plasma magnetic fields from the thin shell between the orbital envelope  
934 and the surface. To gain information about the secondary field contributions  
935 at Ganymede it is necessary to determine the moments of the internal field.  
936 As the internal field is expected to be temporally constant throughout the  
937 orbiting phase, it should be relatively straightforward to obtain its strength.

938 When the data is acquired during flybys the best geometry for the mea-  
939 surements also is low polar flyby. In this case it is more difficult to filter  
940 out the plasma interaction field. Precise modeling of each flyby is necessary  
941 to apply induction techniques. Finally it is of course necessary to obtain a  
942 good absolute accuracy as well as good long term stability of the magnetome-  
943 ter. The challenge for the magnetometer and mission engineers will therefore  
944 be to enable measurements with suitable precision (About 0.1 nT to 1 nT  
945 according to the results in this paper).

946 The Europa Jupiter System Mission (EJSM/Laplace) under considera-  
947 tion by NASA and ESA might be the next opportunity to perform these  
948 measurements. At the current stage of planning, EJSM/Laplace includes  
949 two spacecraft. While Io and Callisto will presumably be encountered dur-  
950 ing several targeted flybys only the two spacecraft will later in the mission  
951 go into orbit around Europa and Ganymede, respectively.

## 952 8. Conclusions

953 We analyze fluctuations of the primary magnetic field at the Galilean  
954 moons for three different classes of periods: The synodic Jovian rotation pe-  
955 riod with respect to the satellites and fractions of these periods, the satellites'  
956 orbital periods and the solar rotation period. The strongest field variations  
957 occur at the synodic rotation period in the  $B_r$  and  $B_\theta$  component. Dur-  
958 ing one orbit of the satellites the fields of these two components are nearly  
959 elliptically polarized.  $B_\theta$  remains relatively constant but harbors most of  
960 the signals with the longer orbital and solar rotation periods. These sig-  
961 nals originate in the eccentricity of the satellites orbits and the field caused  
962 by the Chapman-Ferraro currents in the magnetopause. Strong solar wind  
963 conditions therefore lead to stronger inducing long period inducing fields.

964 We analyzed the inductive response for various internal models of all  
965 Galilean moons. According to our results ocean layers at all of the satellites  
966 can easily produce secondary fields of about 70% to 90% of the primary  
967 field strength for all periods. A conductive core contributes up to 2% to the  
968 total signal for Io and 4% to 5% at Europa and Ganymede for the synodic  
969 rotation period. However, the core will be shielded from the primary field  
970 in the presence of an ocean. However, the mutual induction between the  
971 core and the ocean might decrease the amplitude for one of the inducing  
972 frequencies, which allows for a small core contribution to the total signal  
973 under certain circumstances. At Callisto it will probably not be possible to  
974 detect signals from the core. Additional information about both the cores  
975 and the oceans of all satellites is provided by information about the phase  
976 shift of the secondary signals.

977 To apply a multi-frequency approach using real magnetic data suitable  
978 measurements are necessary. To obtain a sufficient secondary signal strength,  
979 it would be preferable to perform precise magnetic measurements with a  
980 spacecraft on a low polar orbit. Such measurements would also help to  
981 determine the contribution from plasma interaction fields which otherwise  
982 obscure the signals at all satellites. The potential scientific value of these  
983 data is significant. The confirmation of liquid water and the characterization  
984 of the corresponding reservoirs at one of the Galilean moons as well as the  
985 possible implications regarding the origin of life and the formation of our  
986 solar system make it worthwhile to take all necessary efforts to gather the  
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	a [ $R_J$ ]	T [h]	i [deg]	e
Io	5.89	42.45	0.036	0.0041
Europa	9.38	85.22	0.469	0.0094
Ganymede	14.97	171.72	0.170	0.0011
Callisto	26.33	400.56	0.187	0.0074

Table 1: Semi-major axis (a), orbital period (T), inclination (i) and eccentricity (e) of the Galilean moons, used in this work.

	Io		Europa		Ganymede		Callisto		Source
	$T_I$ [h]	$A_I$ [nT]	$T_E$ [h]	$A_E$ [nT]	$T_G$ [h]	$A_G$ [nT]	$T_C$ [h]	$A_C$ [nT]	
$B_r$			3.74	1.2	3.51	3.3	3.39	5.9	Current sheet
	4.32	16.1	3.74	1.6					Octopole
	6.48	107.9	5.62	16.8	5.27	2.6	5.09	0.3	Quadrupole
	12.95	698.9	11.23	170.8	10.53	41.9	10.18	7.7	Dipole
	12.95	50.9	11.23	45.8	10.53	43.9	10.18	36.1	Current sheet
	42.45	2.9	85.22	10.5	171.70	1.7	400.55	0.7	Inclination
$B_\Phi$	4.32	12.1	3.74	1.2					Octopole
	6.48	71.9	5.62	11.2	5.27	1.7	5.09	0.2	Quadrupole
	12.95	344.9	11.23	85.4	10.53	20.9	10.18	3.9	Dipole
	12.95	32.5	11.23	19.1	10.53	9.7	10.18	6.9	Current sheet
$B_\theta$	6.48	13.0	5.62	1.3					Octopole
	6.48	0.9	5.62	2.2	5.27	3.0	5.09	1.9	Current sheet
	12.95	103.1	11.23	16.0	10.53	2.5	10.18	0.3	Quadrupole
	42.45	26.1	85.22	15.8	171.70	1.0	400.55	0.5	Eccentricity
	42.45	0.6	85.22	0.9	171.70	1.5	400.55	2.5	Magnetopause

641.90	1.1	641.90	1.1	641.90	1.2	641.90	1.2	MP variability
$ B_p $	730		300		150		400	Plasma fields

Table 2: Major inducing signal amplitudes  $A$  (in nT) and periods  $T$  (in h) for the Galilean moons for all magnetic components (System III coordinates). The underlying source of the contribution is indicated in the last column. The major inducing signals can be found in the  $B_r$  and  $B_\phi$  components at the synodic Jovian rotation period. Long period signals mainly occur in the  $B_\theta$  component which has the weakest fluctuations. The bottom row shows the maximal plasma interaction fields for comparison.

Ref.	$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	$\sigma$ (S/m)	Analogue	Source
Silicate				
(1)	2.8	$10^{-3}$ - $10^{-5}$	dry silicate	Beblo et al. (1985)
(2)	2.9	$10^{-3}$ - 15	dry magma	Waff and Weill (1975), Beblo et al. (1985)
(3)	3.1	$10^{-2}$	partially molten gabbro	Maumus et al. (2005)
(8)	3.5-3.7	$10^{-4}$ - $10^{-10}$	chondrites	Parthasarathy and Sharma (2004)
(10)	3.2-3.4	$10^{-4}$ - $10^{-8}$	chondrites	Parthasarathy and Sharma (2004)
Iron rich material				
(4)	5.15	2 - 8	lower earth mantle	Dobson and Brodholt (2000)
(5)	10	$3 \times 10^5$	outer earth core	Stacey (1992)
(9)	5	5	lower earth mantle	Stacey (1992)
Ice and water				
(6)	1	$10^{-6}$	H <sub>2</sub> O ice	Beblo et al. (1985)
(7)	1	0.01 - 100	saline water	Beblo et al. (1985)
(11)	2-3	$10^{-4}$ - $10^{-6}$	silicate + 41 % water ice	Grimm et al. (2007)

Table 3: Sources of literature for the conductivity of the materials assumed in the adapted interior models of the Galilean moons. The index given in the first column refers to the indexes in the tables for the interior models (tables 4 to 11). Column 4 denotes the material from the literature which we use as an analog for the present material.

	$h$ (km)	$\sigma$ (S/m)	$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Ref.
Crust	25	$10^{-4}$	2.8	(1)
Magma	0 - 250	$10^{-3}$ - 15	2.9	(2)
Mantle	996 - 1246	$10^{-2}$	3.1	(3)
FeS core	550.6	5	5.15	(4)

Table 4: Io model adapted from Keszthelyi et al. (1999). The last column denotes the references for the sources of literature for the conductivity (see table 3). The thicknesses of the magma ocean and the mantle are varied, respectively.

	$h$ (km)	$\sigma$ (S/m)	$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Ref.
Crust	120	$10^{-4}$	2.8	(1)
Magma	0 - 500	$10^{-3}$ - 15	2.9	(2)
Mantle	636 - 1136	$10^{-2}$	3.66	(3)
Fe core	565.6	$10^5$	8	(5)

Table 5: Io model adapted from Zhang (2003). References correspond to the literature given in table 3. The thicknesses of the magma ocean and the mantle are varied, respectively.

	$h$ (km)	$\sigma$ (S/m)	$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Ref.
Crust	150 - 0	$2.1 \times 10^{-6}$	1	(6)
Ocean	0 - 150	0.01 - 100	1	(7)
Mantle	855	$10^{-6}$	3.6	(8)
FeS core	560	5	4.7	(9)

Table 6: Europa model adapted from Kuskov and Kronrod (2005). References correspond to the literature given in table 3. The thicknesses of the ocean and the crust are varied, respectively.



	$h$ (km)	$\sigma$ (S/m)	$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Ref.
Crust	100 - 0	$10^{-6}$	1	(6)
Ocean	0 - 100	0.01 - 100	1	(7)
Mantle	865	$10^{-5}$	3.13	(10)
Fe core	596	$10^5$	8	(5)

Table 7: Europa model adapted from Zhang (2003). References correspond to the literature given in table 3. The thicknesses of the ocean and the crust are varied, respectively.

	$h$ (km)	$\sigma$ (S/m)	$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Ref.
Crust	150	$10^{-6}$	1	(6)
Ocean	500-0	0.01-100	1	(7)
Icy mantle	350-850	$10^{-6}$	1.8	(11)
Mantle	650	$10^{-5}$	3.5	(8)
Core	981.2	$10^5$	8	(5)

Table 8: Ganymede model adapted from Kimura et al. (2009). References correspond to the literature given in table 3. The thicknesses of the ocean and the icy mantle are varied, respectively.

	$h$ (km)	$\sigma$ (S/m)	$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Ref.
Crust	785-0	$10^{-6}$	1	(6)
Ocean	0-785	0.01-100	1	(7)
Mantle	1136	$10^{-5}$	3.1	(10)
Core	710.2	$10^5$	8	(5)

Table 9: Ganymede model adapted from Zhang (2003). References correspond to the literature given in table 3. The thicknesses of the ocean and the crust are varied, respectively.

	$h$ (km)	$\sigma$ (S/m)	$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Ref.
Crust	150	$10^{-6}$	1	(6)
Ocean	0 - 450	0.01-100	1	(7)
Mantle 1	450 - 0	$10^{-6}$	2	(11)
Mantle 2	300	$10^{-5}$	2.15	(11)
Mantle 3	910	$10^{-4}$	2.43	(11)
Core	600.3	$10^{-2}$	3.15	(3)

Table 10: Callisto model adapted from Kuskov and Kronrod (2005). References correspond to the literature given in table 3. The thicknesses of the ocean and the mantle are varied, respectively.

	$h$ (km)	$\sigma$ (S/m)	$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Ref.
Crust	200	$10^{-6}$	1	(6)
Ocean	0-1000	0.01-100	1	(7)
Mantle	1439-439	$10^{-5}$	2.15	(11)
Core	771.3	5	4.5	(4)

Table 11: Callisto model adapted from Zhang (2003). References correspond to the literature given in table 3. The thicknesses of the ocean and the mantle are varied, respectively.

Figure 1: Field lines for the superposition of (A) the VIP4 model and the Khurana (1997) current sheet, (B) the VIP4, the Connerney et al. (1981) current sheet and the Engle (1992) no tilt magnetopause model for  $R_{ss} = 60 R_J$  plotted at  $\Phi = 292^\circ / 112^\circ$  System III longitude. The x-axis points sunwards, the z-axis north.

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Figure 2: Data for (A) the velocity and (B) the magnetopause distance  $R_{ss}$  calculated from Ulysses data from the second half of the year 1992. The velocity shows a clear periodicity of about 27 days. The values of  $R_{ss}$  lie in a realistic range for  $R_{ss}$  with an average of about  $70 R_J$  (dashed line).

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Figure 3:  $B_r$  vs.  $B_\phi$  along the satellites' orbits from a superposition of the models mentioned in section 3. The field is elliptically polarized. Eccentricity and inclination of the orbits lead to a broadening of the lines.

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Figure 4: Total amplitude spectra for Io, Europa, Ganymede and Callisto. Arrows indicate the synodical period, the orbital period and the solar rotation period, respectively. Note that the scale of the y-axis varies from panel to panel. The displayed amplitudes may differ from the more precise values given in table 2 due to losses by spectral leakage. The length of the analyzed time series is 5,100 h sampled by 41,000 data points.

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Figure 5: Peak amplitude of the magnetopause field's  $B_\theta$  component at the orbital period as a function of the subsolar point distance  $R_{ss}$  for all Galilean moons.

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Figure 6: Concept of a spherical conductivity distribution for  $J$  shells.

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Figure 7: Amplitudes of the induced field for the Io-Keszthelyi et al. (1999) model (upper panel) and the Io-Zhang (2003) model (lower panel) for three primary field periods  $T$  and various magma ocean thicknesses and conductivities. Isolines: induced amplitude in % of the primary field strength. Color encoded: differences of the induced amplitudes  $\Delta A$  of interior models with and without a conductive core in % of the primary field strength. White and yellow areas indicate negative values caused by the mutual induction between ocean and core.

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Figure 8: Phase shift of the secondary field with respect to the primary field for the Io-Keszthelyi et al. (1999) model (upper panel) and the Io-Zhang (2003) model (lower panel) for three primary field periods  $T$  and various magma ocean thicknesses and conductivities. Isolines: phase shift relative to the primary field in degrees. Color encoded: differences of the phase shifts  $\Delta\Phi$  of interior models with and without a conductive core in degrees.

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Figure 9: Amplitudes of the induced field for the Europa-Kuskov and Kronrod (2005) model (upper panel) and the Europa-Zhang (2003) model (lower panel) for three primary field periods  $T$  and various ocean thicknesses and conductivities. Isolines: induced amplitude in % of the primary field strength. Color encoded: differences of the induced amplitudes  $\Delta A$  of interior models with and without a conductive core in % of the primary field strength. White and yellow areas indicate negative values caused by the mutual induction between ocean and core.

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Figure 11: Amplitudes of the induced field for the Ganymede-Kimura et al. (2009) model (upper row) and the Ganymede-Zhang (2003) model (lower row) for three primary field periods  $T$  and various ocean thicknesses and conductivities. Isolines: induced amplitude in % of the primary field strength. Color encoded: differences of the induced amplitudes  $\Delta A$  of interior models with and without a conductive core in % of the primary field strength. White and yellow areas indicate negative values caused by the mutual induction between ocean and core.

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Figure 12: Phase shift of the secondary field with respect to the primary field for the Ganymede-Kimura et al. (2009) model (upper row) and the Ganymede-Zhang (2003) model (lower row) for three primary field periods  $T$  and various ocean thicknesses and conductivities. Isolines: phase shift relative to the primary field in degrees. Color encoded: differences of the phase shifts  $\Delta\Phi$  of interior models with and without a conductive core in degrees.

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Figure 13: Amplitudes of the induced field for the Callisto-Kuskov and Kronrod (2005) model (upper row) and the Callisto-Zhang (2003) model (lower row) for three primary field periods  $T$  and various ocean thicknesses and conductivities. Isolines: induced amplitude in % of the primary field strength. Color encoded: differences of the induced amplitudes  $\Delta A$  of interior models with and without a conductive core in % of the primary field strength. White and yellow areas indicate negative values caused by the mutual induction between ocean and core.

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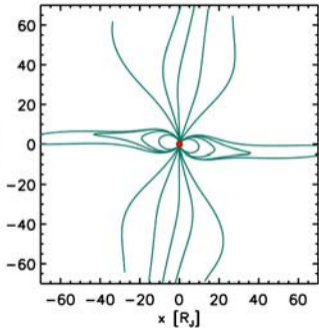
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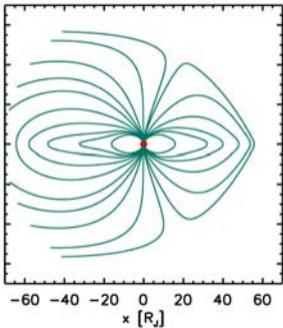
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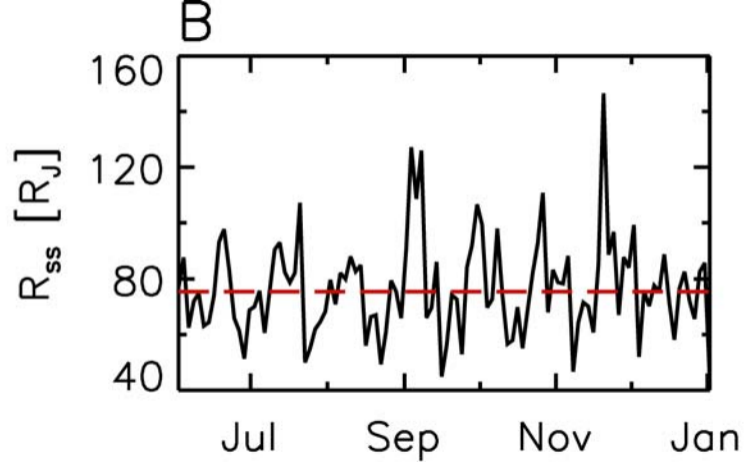
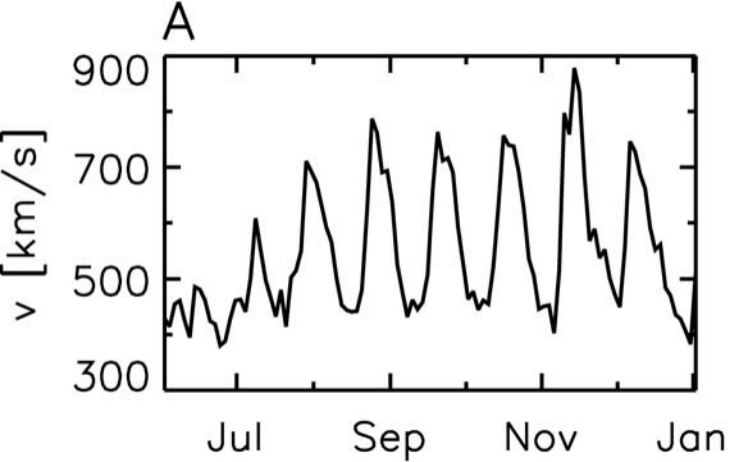
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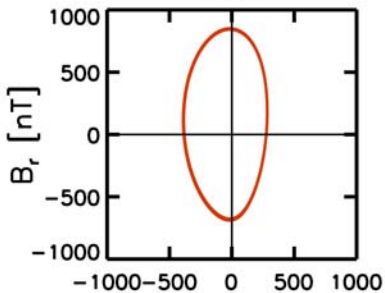


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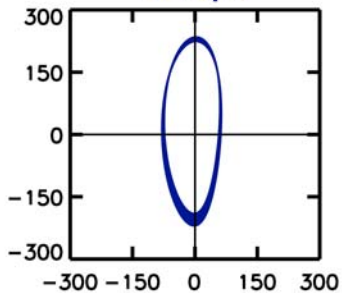




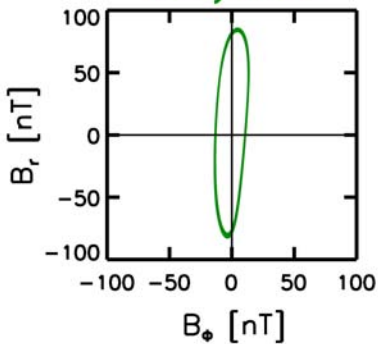
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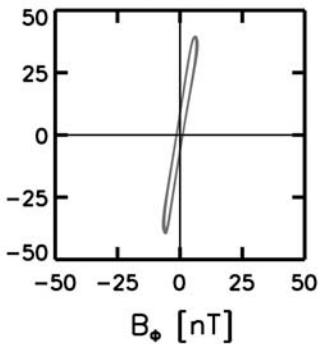
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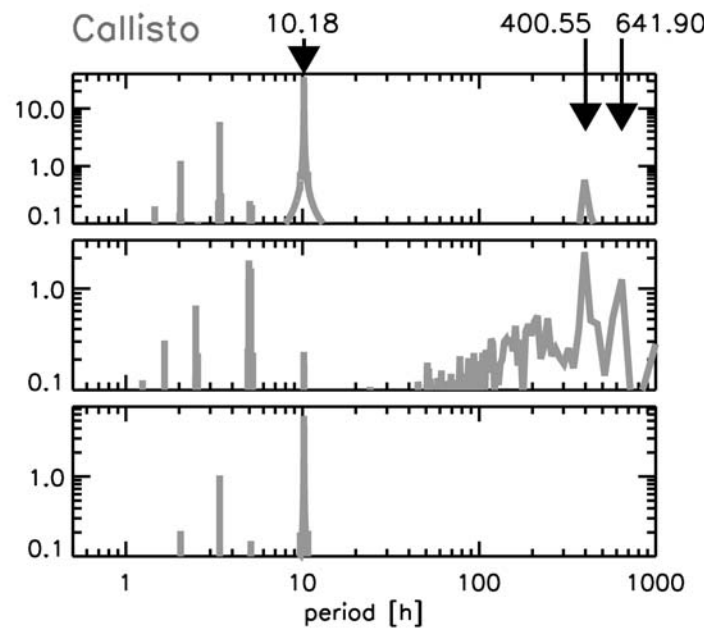
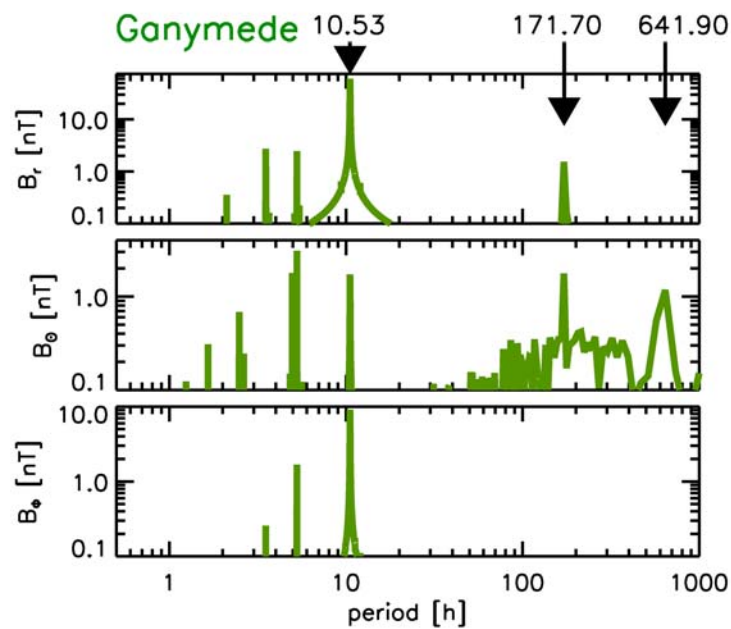
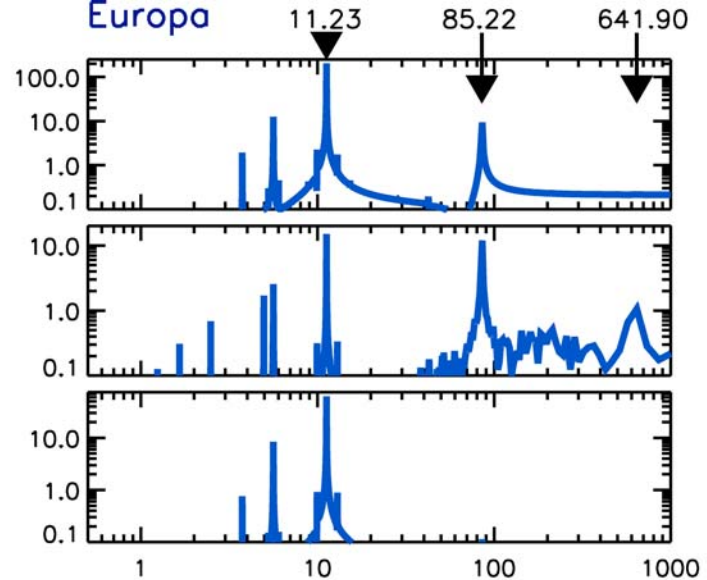
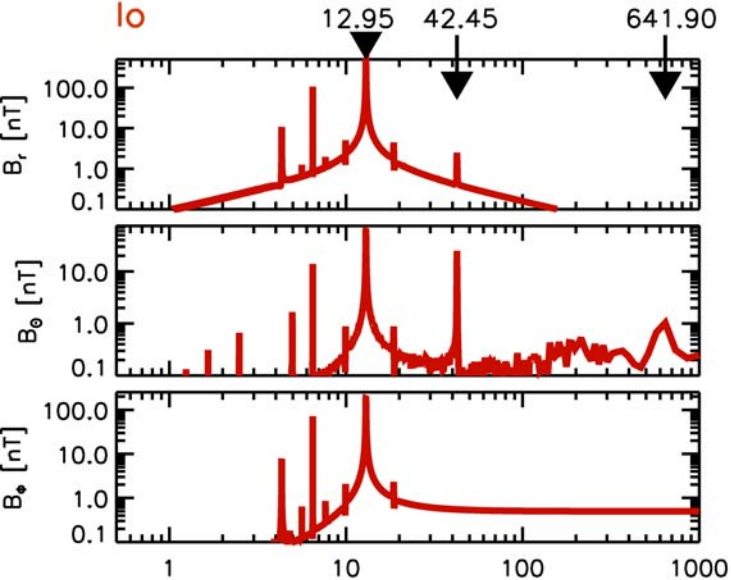


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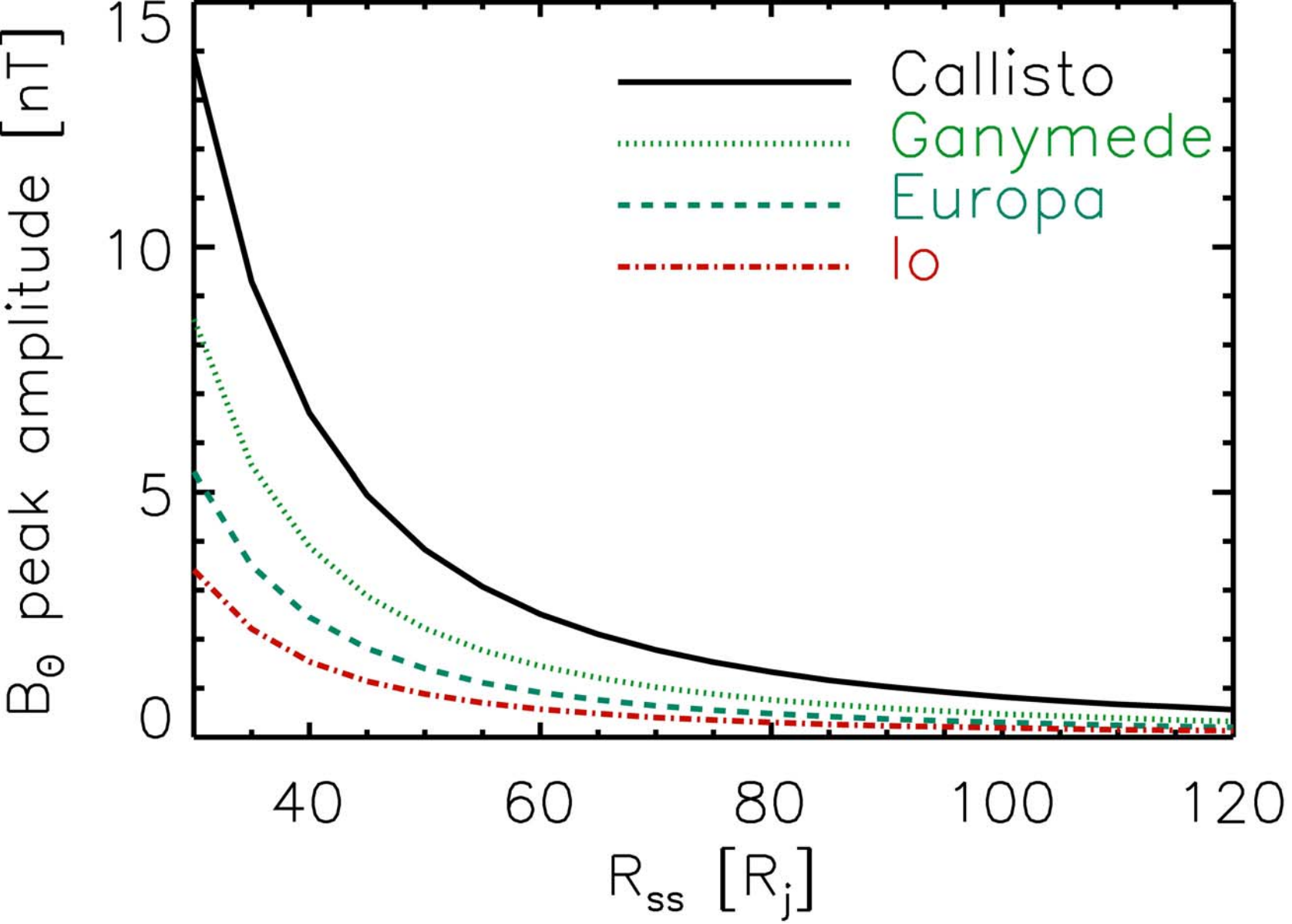


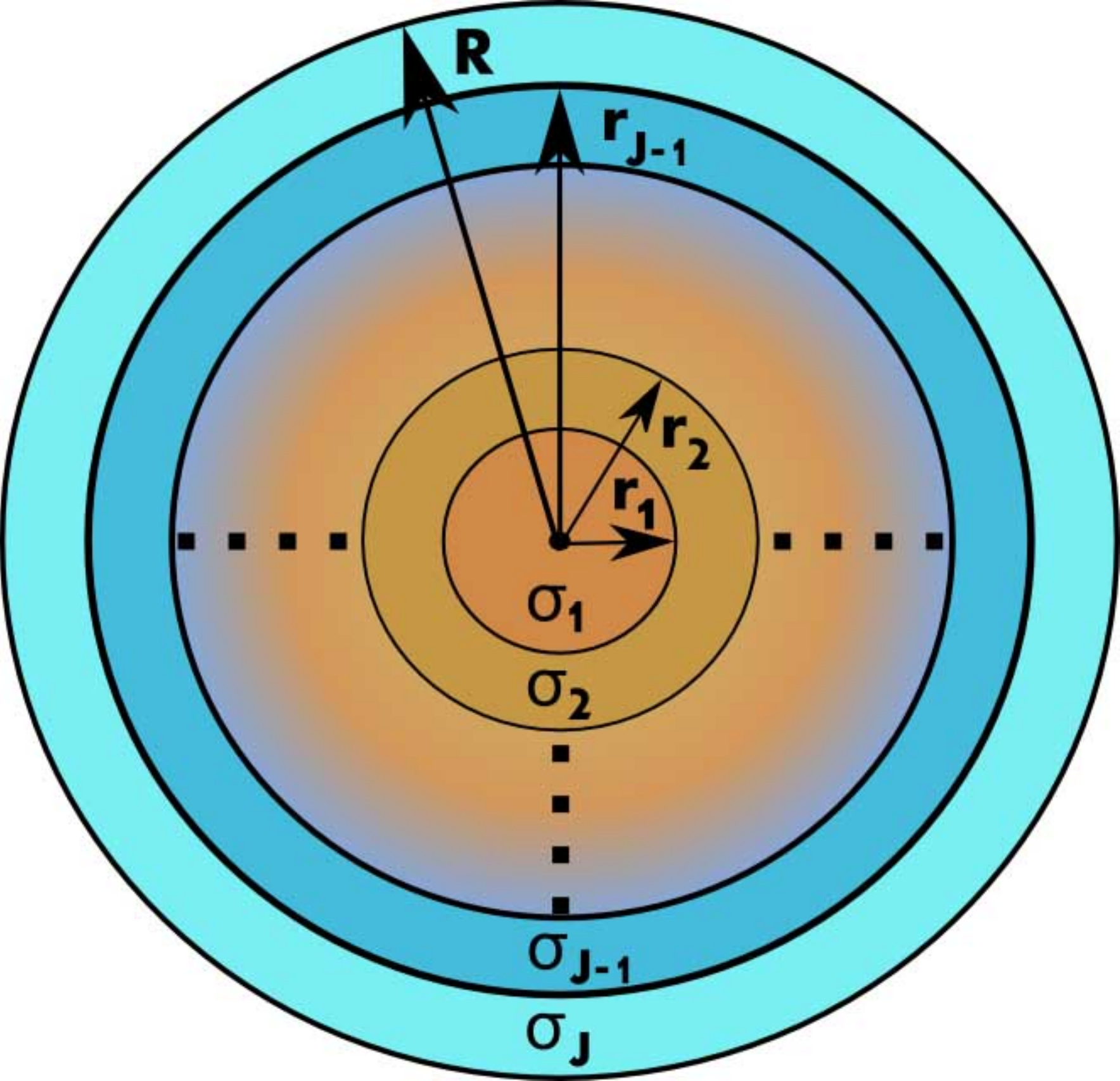
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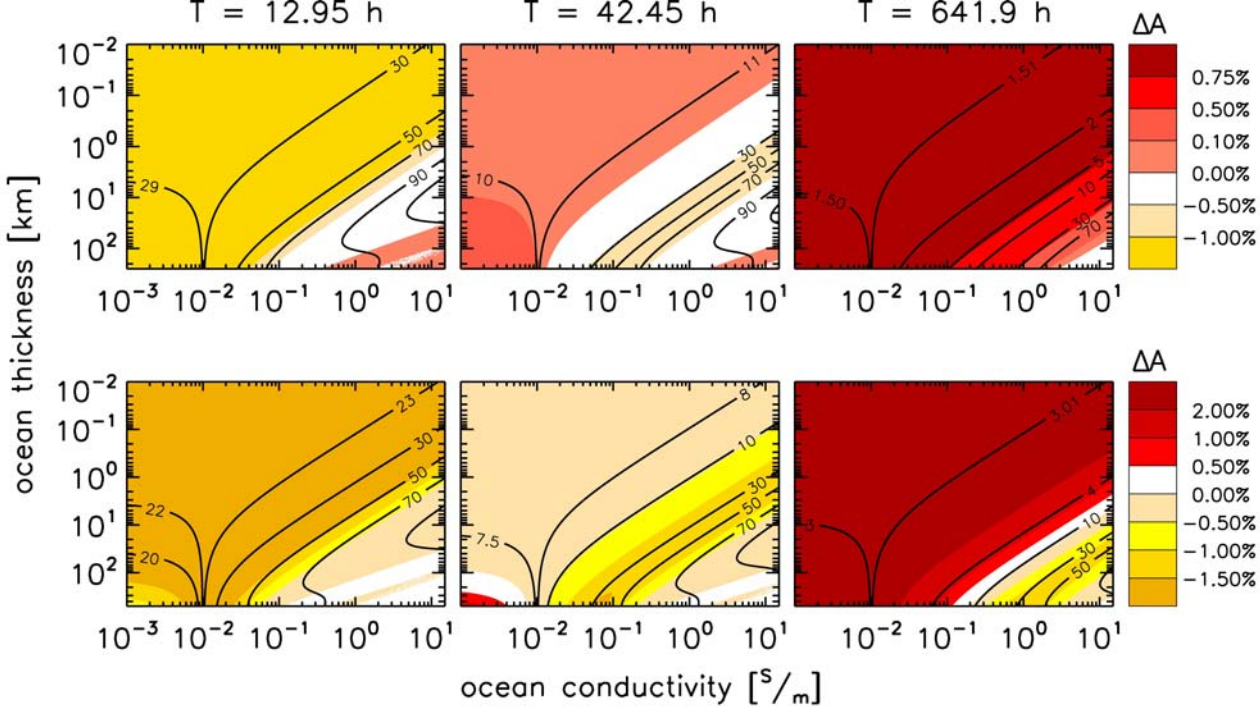


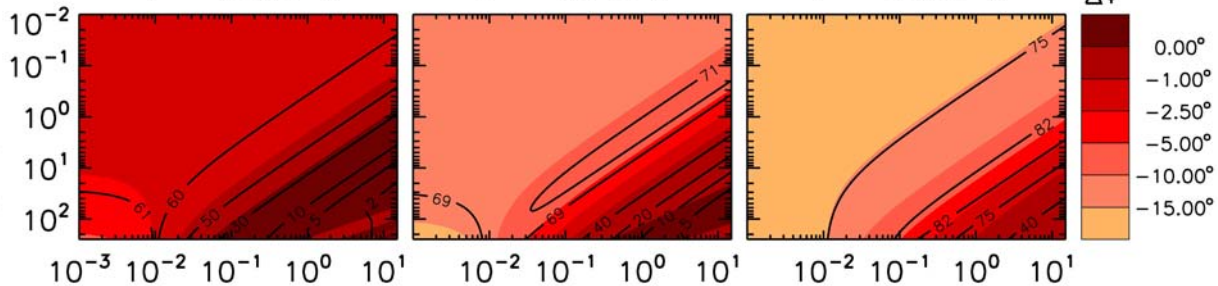




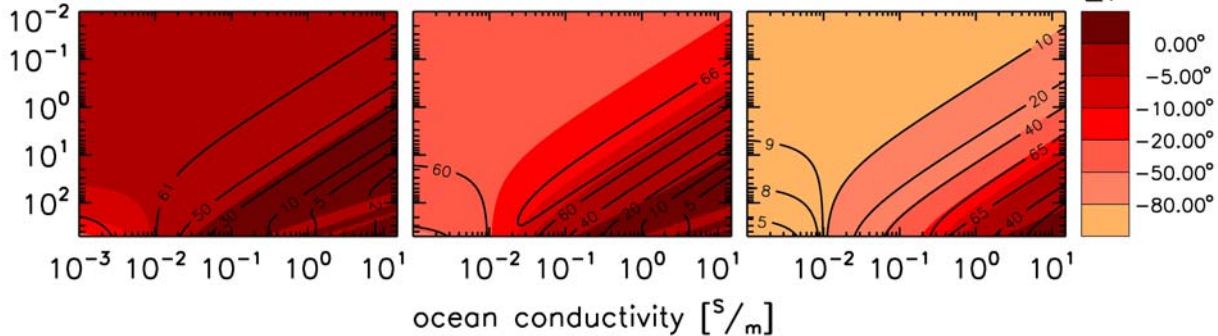




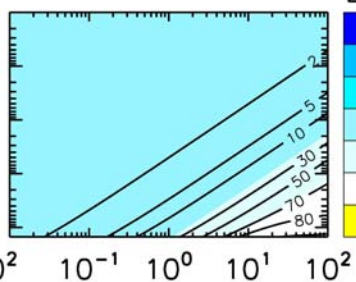
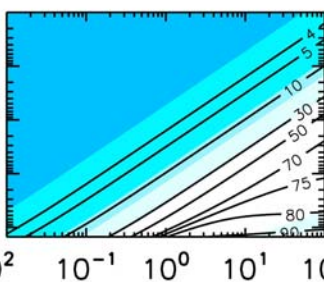
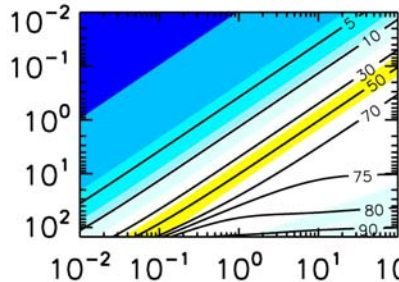
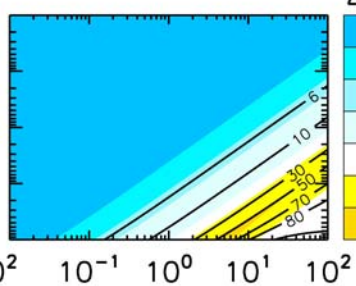
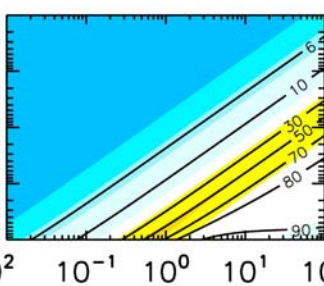
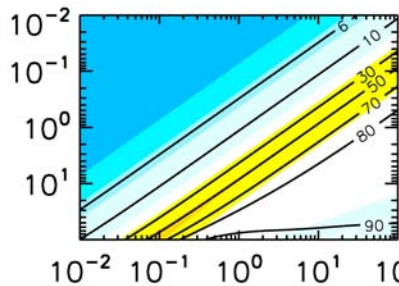


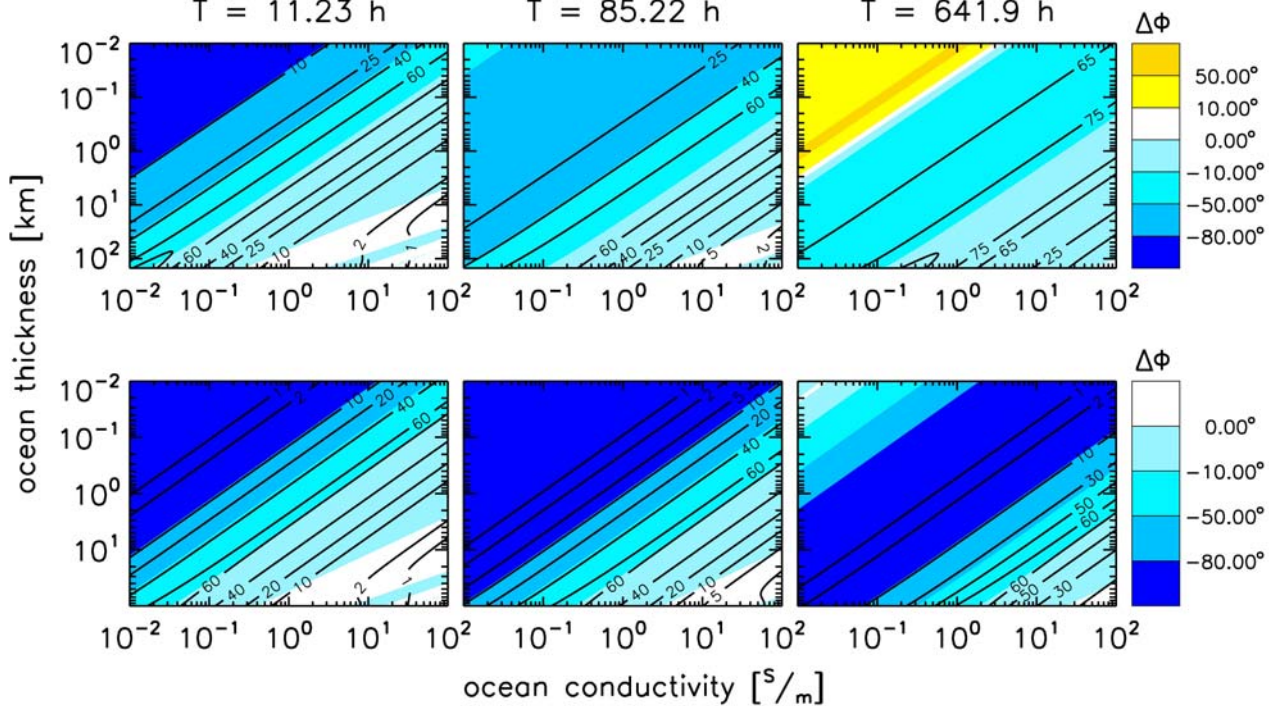
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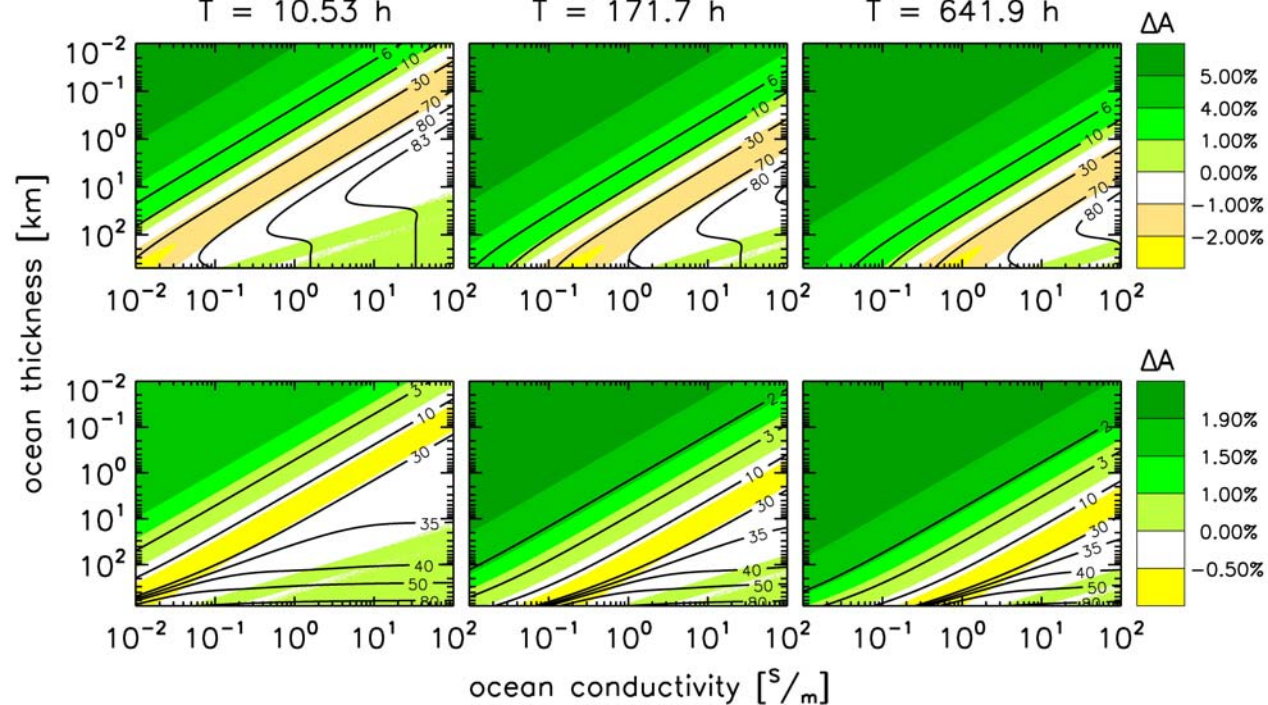
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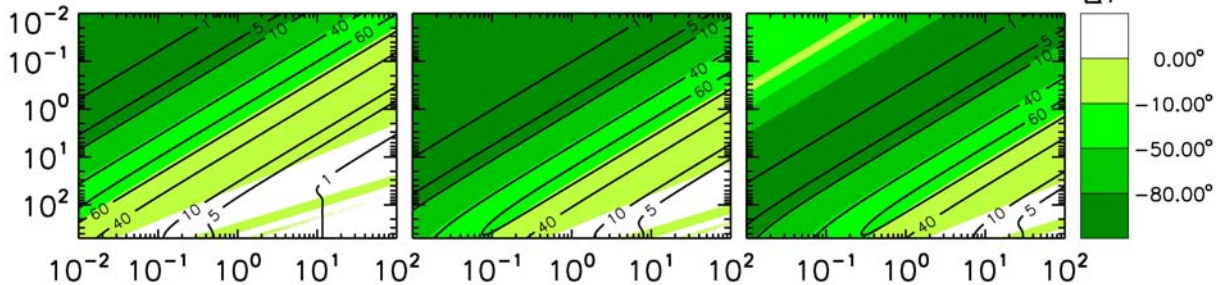
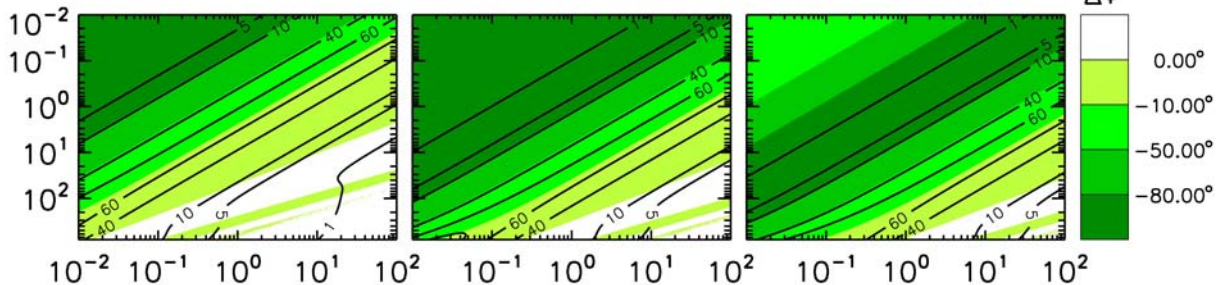
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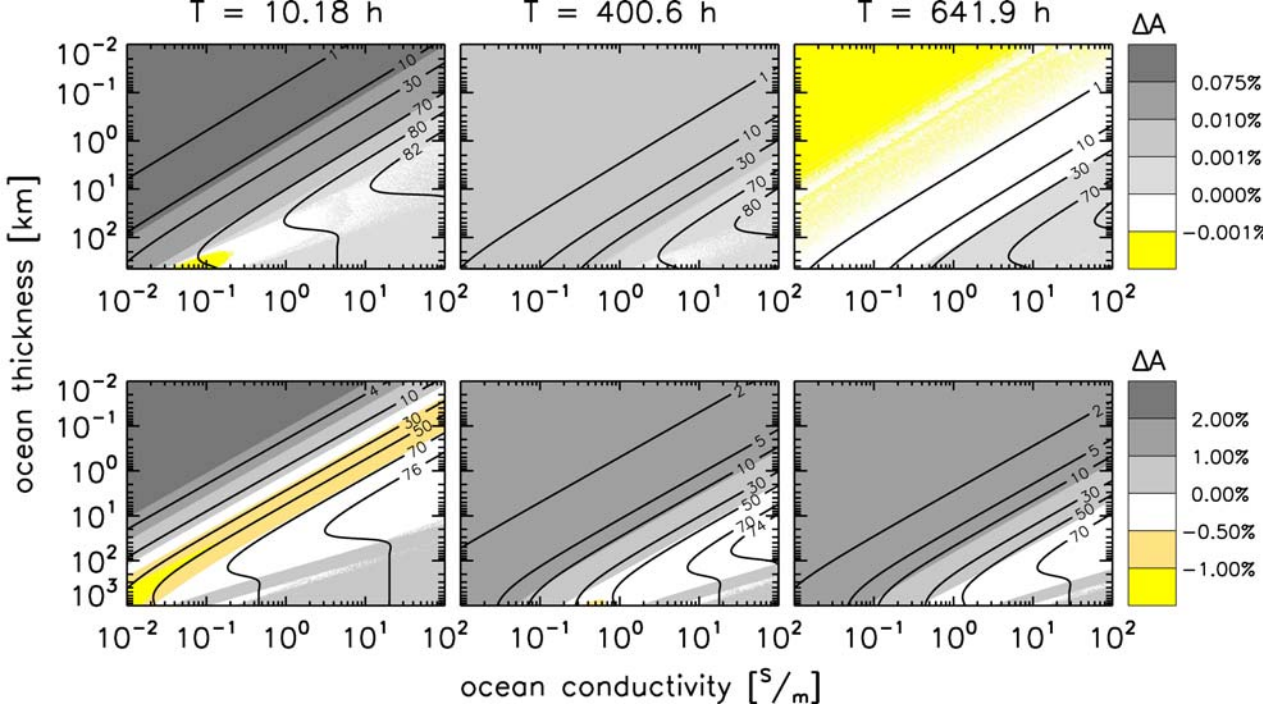
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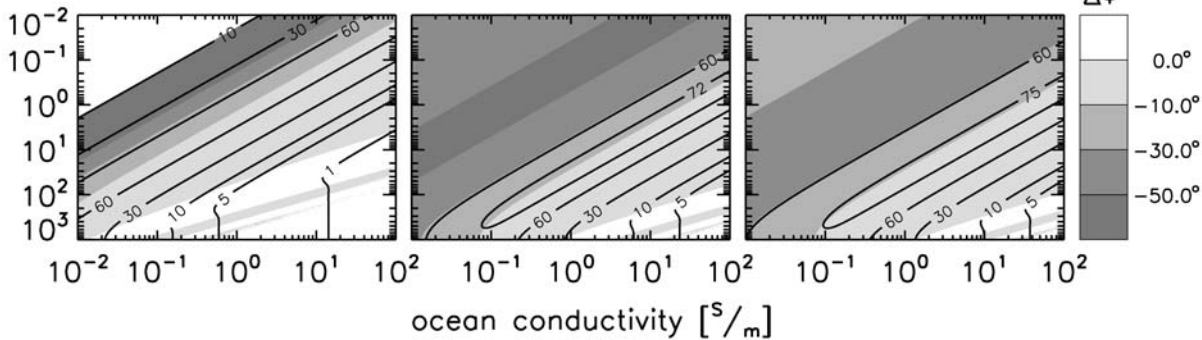
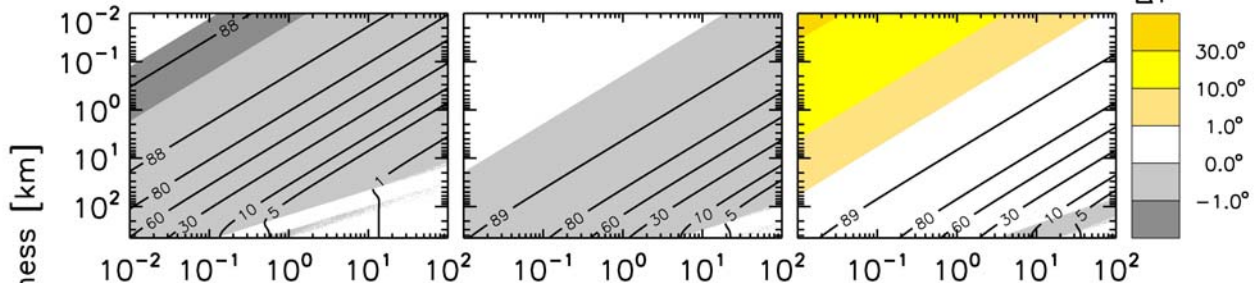




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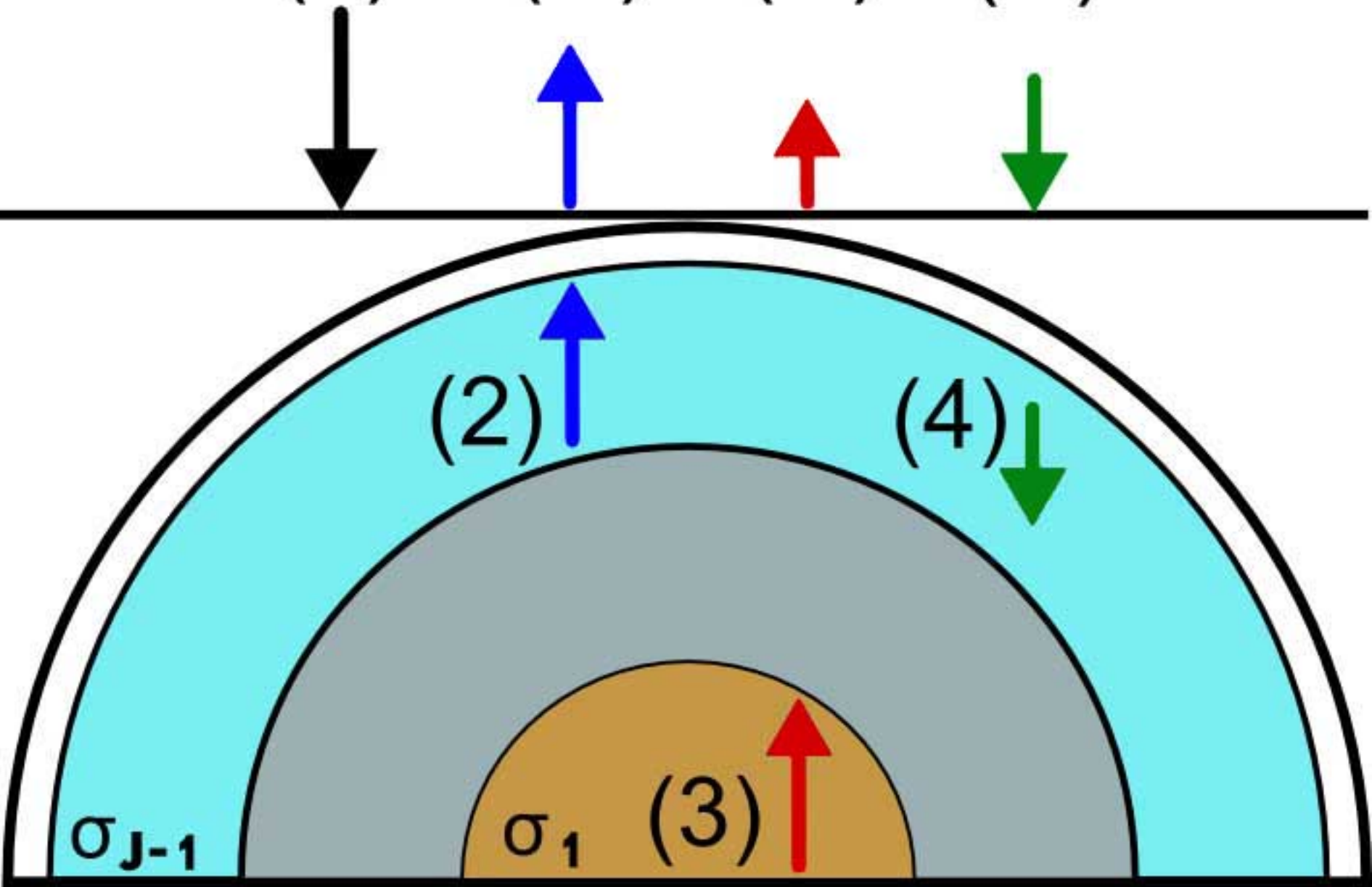




$T = 10.18 \text{ h}$  $T = 400.6 \text{ h}$  $T = 641.9 \text{ h}$ 

fields measured at the surface:

(1)      (2')      (3')      (4')



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