Inner-Magnetospheric Array for Geospace Science: iMAGS

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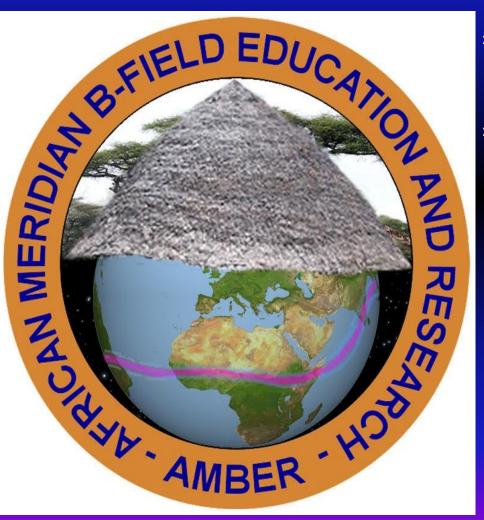








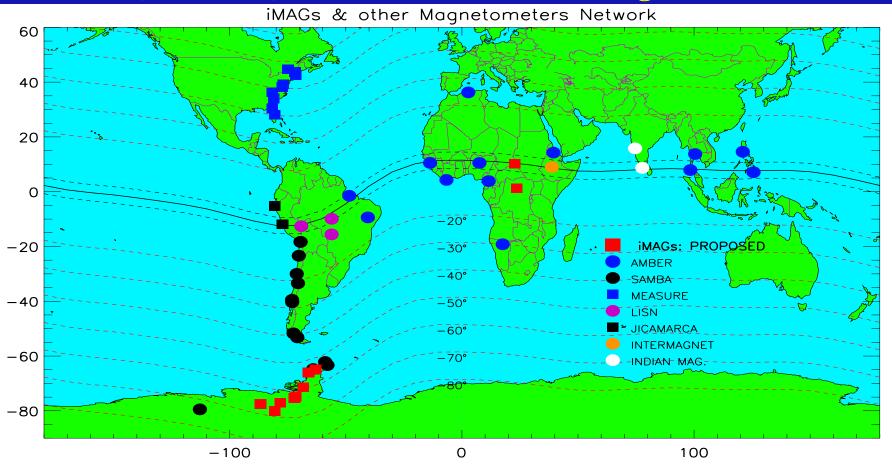
Outline



- → iMAGS Magnetometer Network
- → Sciences using iMAGS network
 - **→** Equatorial Electrodynamics
 - **→ Energy Transfer from the**SUN through MI coupling
 - → Lunar tide impact on electrodynamics
 - → GIC impact at high and lowlatitudes

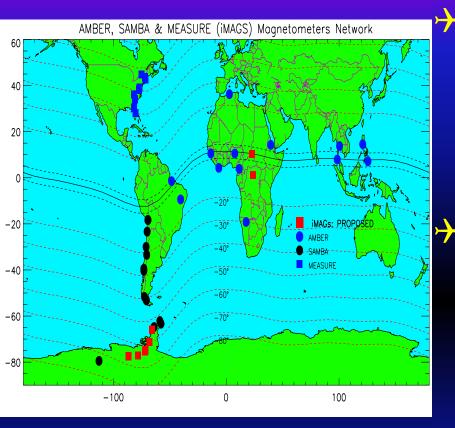
iMAGS (Inner-Magnetospheric Array for Geospace Science) (Merging and Expanding AMBER, SAMBA & MEASURE arrays)

AMBER, SAMBA, MEASURE (iMAGS) Magnetometer Networks



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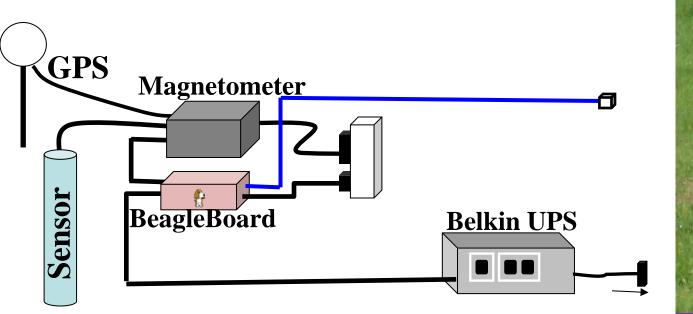
Objective of iMAGS magnetometer Array



- → To understand the processes governing electrodynamics of the equatorial ionosphere as a function of local time, longitude, magnetic activity, and season
- → To understand the Solar Wind Magnetosphere Ionosphere coupling impact on the equatorial density distributions that important for the communication and navigation systems
- **→** To estimate the plasmasphere mass density
- → To monitor the GIC currents not only at high latitudes but also at the equatorial region where the GIC get amplified by EEJ in the same it gets amplified by AE at high latitudes

Instrument & its Setup at the site

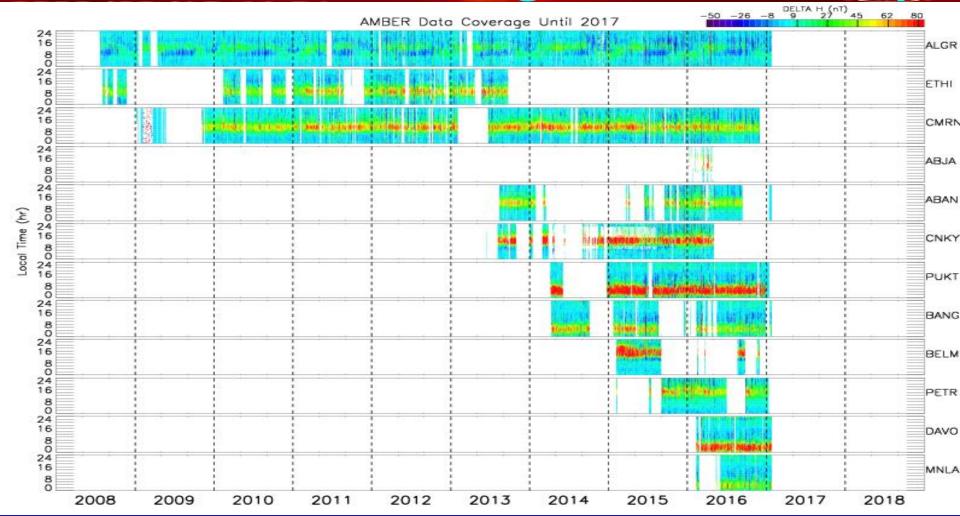




Sensitivity: 0.01 nT

Resolution: 0.5 sec

AMBER data-coverage until Yesterday

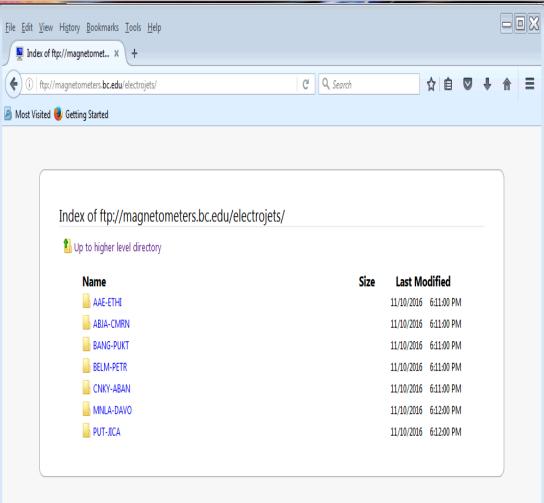


Two prominent problems

- → Power fluctuation issue: Lack of funding to augment it with solar panel
- **→** Internet Connectivity issue: Expensive to use other alternative options

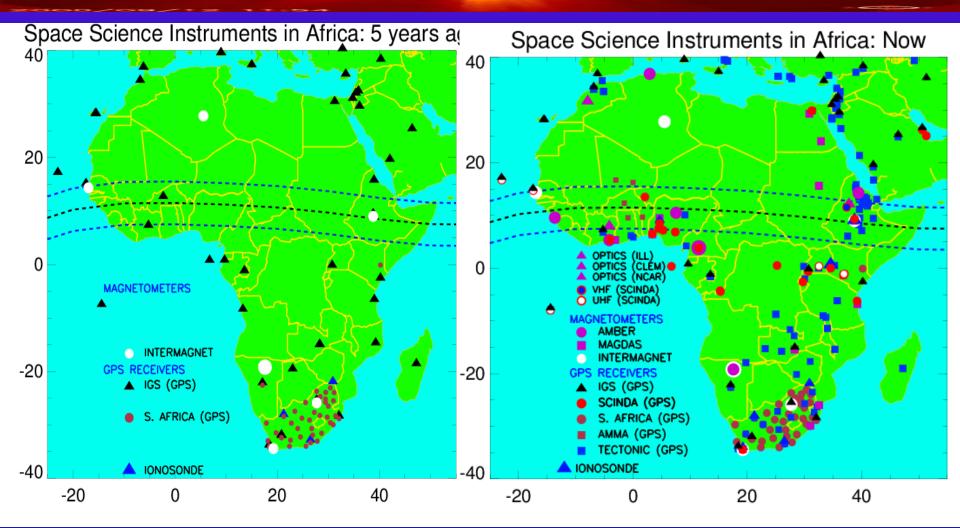
Our Database

http://magnetometers.bc.edu/



- → You can search by days, by station
- → You can download ASCII data (1 min, 1 sec, and half sec resolution)
- → You can download daily summary plots for a quick look!
- **→** SuperMag

General Instrumentation in Africa



Eight Years ago

One Year ago!

Thank You!