Exploring topside sounder concept

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Proposed DPTIS polar orbit. Stars indicate ground-based GIRO Digisonde locations





ISIS-2 Topside lonograms

and TOPIST Autoscaling



ISIS ionograms have no polarization tagging. The apparent "kink" in the profile plot at 2 MHz is caused by the change from linear frequency steps below 2 MHz to quasi-log steps above 2 MHz [Huang et al., 2002].

SATELLITE: ISIS-2 POSITION: 1371.713 (km) 49.402 / -86.202 (Deg) UT TIME: 15:49:44 1978 / 06 / 12



Lack of polarization tagging makes it impossible to find foF2. In situ cutoff and resonance frequencies are identified correctly.



Double-Probe & Topside-Ionosphere-Sounder DPTIS



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and the second distance

Heritage: IMAGE / RPI 2000 - 2005



IMAGR / RPI



Almost-instantaneous measurement of 2D Ne distribution



Proposed Antenna Boom Configuration for DPTIS





DIPTIS Packaging





Example of **DPTIS 1-minute Operating Schedule**



1 min



DPTIS Telemetry Science Data

Category	Telem . ID	Contents / OpMode	Length	Test Pattern	Frequency
SCIENCE	0x81	Ionogram	variable	Yes	Per TIS schedule
					definition
	0x82	Skymap	variable	Yes	Per TIS schedule
					definition
	0x84	DP Electric Field	TBD	No	Continuous
	0x88	DP Spacecraft	TBD	No	Continuous
		Potential			



Point	Description	Burst Bandwidth	Data volume	# per orbit (full schedule)
9	Raw DRX Samples	5.88 Mbps	-	
2	DRX Samples per IPP	16-chip/8ms: 5.22 Mbps	5-sec ionogram: 3.3 MB	960 (3.2 GB)
	(LTD-look)	Short-pulse/8ms: 5.59 Mbps	2.5-sec ionogram: 1.8 MB	1920 (3.4 GB)
		Short-pulse/2ms: 5.09 Mbps	0.25 sec sweep: 160 kB	19200 (3.1 GB)
3	LTD-look after Pulse-Comp	16-chip only: 2.41 Mbps	5-sec ionogram: 1.5 MB	960 (1.4 GB)





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