

1 **The internal structure and dynamics of Jupiter**
2 **unveiled by a high-resolution magnetic field and secular**
3 **variation model**

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10 **Key Points:**

- 11 • Magnetic field of Jupiter is modeled from Juno's first four years of observations.
12 • A degree 16 static and degree 8 secular variation magnetic field model is derived.
13 • The model indicates complex motions deep inside Jupiter.

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Abstract

Jupiter possesses the strongest magnetic field of all planets in the solar system. Unique information about the dynamo process acting at Jupiter can be inferred by modelling and interpreting its field. Using the fluxgate magnetometer measurements acquired during the four years of the Juno mission, we derive an internal and secular magnetic field model in spherical harmonics. The static part is derived to degree 16 with a secular time variation to degree 8. We use properties of the power spectrum of the static field to infer the upper boundary of the dynamo convective region at 0.830 ± 0.022 Jupiter radius. This confirms the role of the transition layer in the field generation inside Jupiter. The secular variation timescales indicate that advective effects dominate the dynamo and the secular variation structures estimated at the dynamo radius suggest that the complex flow involves non-zonal features.

Plain Language Summary

The interior of Jupiter can be described broadly as a dense core surrounded by fluids, dominantly hydrogen and helium. The hydrogen rich metallic fluid generates the strongest planetary magnetic field in the Solar System. Modelling and interpreting this field gives essential information about the dynamo process inside Jupiter. We use the Juno mission data throughout four years to derive an internal magnetic field and secular variation (SV) model using spherical harmonic functions. We take the fluxgate magnetometer measurements acquired during the first 28 orbits to compute a magnetic field model to degree 16, and model its temporal variation to degree 8. The power spectrum of the magnetic field model is used to investigate the radius of the dynamo region. Using the non-zonal and quadrupole family spectra, we infer that the convective region has an upper boundary at 0.830 ± 0.022 Jupiter radius. The slope of the SV timescales indicates that the dynamo is dominated by advective effects. The SV displays a maximum near the equator with a bi-polar structure in agreement with zonal drift of the Great Blue Spot. However, numerous small scale SV structures suggest that the flow at the interior is complex involving both zonal and non-zonal features.

1 Introduction

The interior of the giant planets of our Solar System can be described in simple terms as consisting of a core of unknown composition surrounded by fluid envelopes (Guillot, 2005). For Jupiter, the core could be small and dense, but also large and dilute (Wahl et al., 2017). The overlying envelopes consist of an inner layer of metallic hydrogen and an outer layer of molecular hydrogen. Recent experimental results describe a transition H-He demixing layer, suggesting Helium rain between depths 0.68 and 0.84 R_J (Jupiter's equatorial radius, $1 R_J = 71,492$ km) (Brygoo et al., 2021). The high temperature and pressure inside the planet renders it electrically conducting. Convection in the electrically conductive metallic hydrogen generates the strong Jovian magnetic field (Jones, 2011, 2014). In contrast to rocky bodies, Jupiter does not have an abrupt change between its metallic hydrogen (magnetic source) and molecular hydrogen (source free) regions. The change is expected to be gradual. The electrical conductivity profile of the different hydrogen layers at different depths from an ab-initio simulation (French et al., 2012) does not indicate a clear value of the dynamo region radius. Previous attempts to constrain this radius using the magnetic energy spectrum place it somewhere between 0.80 and 0.90 R_J (Langlais et al., 2014; Tsang & Jones, 2020; Connerney et al., 2022).

Jupiter's magnetic field has been measured by various flybys and orbiting satellites. The observations made by the flybys of Pioneer 10 and 11, Voyager 1 and 2 (during the seventies) and the Ulysses probe (early nineties) gave some initial information about the planet (Smith et al., 1974; Ness et al., 1979; Balogh et al., 1992). The first orbiting satellite, Galileo, was launched in 1989. It provided measurements from Jupiter and its moons

64 from 1995 to 2003. Although these magnetic observations are spread over long periods
 65 of time, there have been only a few attempts to constrain or estimate the temporal vari-
 66 ation of the field (Connerney et al., 1982; Yu et al., 2010; Ridley & Holme, 2016). Out
 67 of these studies, only Ridley and Holme (2016) co-estimated the secular variation (SV)
 68 with the main field (MF) using magnetic field measurements made between 1973 and
 69 2003. However, due to the inhomogeneous temporal and geographical data distribution,
 70 most of the selected observations were from the Galileo mission at low latitudes. Ridley
 71 and Holme (2016) computed two models, one with only MF time averaged Gauss coef-
 72 ficients and one with time dependent MF and SV coefficients. The latter model was con-
 73 sidered better because of its lower residuals and greater smoothness. Nevertheless, they
 74 considered their SV model to be reliable only up to degree 2.

75 None of these spacecrafts provided data near the poles. This was overcome by the
 76 recent Juno measurements. Juno space probe was launched on August 5th, 2011 and en-
 77 tered Jupiter’s orbit in July 2016. Its magnetic measurements have already been used
 78 to propose recent models of the Jovian field. Connerney et al. (2018) provided a spher-
 79 ical harmonic (SH) internal field model up to degree 10 using the first 9 orbits. This ini-
 80 tial model was improved by Connerney et al. (2022) who calculated a static model up
 81 to degree 30 for internal and degree 1 for external, using the first 33 orbits, using a gen-
 82 eralized inversion technique to damp the unresolved parameters. They state that the Gauss
 83 coefficients are well resolved until degree 13 though useful information can be retained
 84 until degree 18 for some coefficients. Jupiter’s internal field is characterized by a very
 85 high magnitude, showing both dipole and non-dipole parts. The non-dipole field is dom-
 86 inantly observed in the northern hemisphere. Field change over a 45-year time span was
 87 observed and zonal drift was invoked to explain the temporal change of an intense mag-
 88 netic flux patch near the equator (Moore et al., 2018, 2019). An updated external mag-
 89 netodisk field model for Juno is also available (Connerney et al., 2020). None of the ex-
 90 isting models based on Juno data attempt to model explicitly the current global tem-
 91 poral variation of the field.

92 In this study, we use the high quality Juno measurements to derive a SH model of
 93 the Jovian field, simultaneously describing its MF and SV up to SH degrees 16 and 8,
 94 respectively. Section 2 details the data and the selection criteria we use for this study.
 95 Section 3 describes the method used to derive the models and their spectra that was as-
 96 sessed with a thorough synthetic analysis (Supplementary Information, Text S1). In Sec-
 97 tion 4 we analyze the model and discuss our results. We first determine the dynamo ra-
 98 dius assuming white spectrum of specific parts of the field. We also calculate the SV cor-
 99 relation times of the Jovian field. We finally downward continue the field into Jupiter’s
 100 interior to the estimated dynamo radius and infer kinematic properties. We conclude in
 101 Section 5.

102 2 Data

103 Juno has a near polar, highly elliptical orbit with apojove exceeding over 100 times
 104 the Jupiter’s radius. The prime mission lasted five years and provided data for 33 or-
 105 bits with one complete orbit taking about 53 days. The space probe was initially planned
 106 to undergo a reduction maneuver for achieving 14-day science orbits but Juno entered
 107 safe mode for its second orbit, thereby remaining in its initial 53-day capture orbit for
 108 the entire mission. The spacecraft aims to obtain a global coverage of the planet. For
 109 the first eight orbits, the shift between successive orbits was 45 degrees in longitude. The
 110 subsequent shifts reduce the longitudinal spacing by half to obtain data from the gaps
 111 left previously.

112 Juno uses two fluxgate magnetometers, located on one of the three solar arrays to
 113 measure the vector magnetic field. Magnetic field measurements acquired by Juno are
 114 available under two versions. The version 1 data provides measurements across the en-

115 tire orbit, whereas the version 2 data gives only near planet measurements from the or-
 116 bit, denoted as perijove hereafter. Both version 1 and 2 data are provided in three Carte-
 117 sian coordinate systems - planetocentric, sun-state and payload. Since planetocentric sys-
 118 tem is body-fixed, it is the most appropriate to study the internal field. We use the ver-
 119 sion 2 one-second data in planetocentric coordinates from the first 28 perijoves (data avail-
 120 able for only 27 perijoves, excluding the second one). As discussed later, synthetic tests
 121 inversion including the latest perijoves from 29 to 33 leads to an increase in polar gaps
 122 that degrades some model coefficients. Perijove 19 was also dismissed because spurious
 123 oscillations were later observed.

124 The periapsis reaches altitude as low as 2500 km, or radius 1.03 R_J , and precesses
 125 about 1° in latitude northward, starting from the equator, after each orbit. In order to
 126 minimize external field contributions and to increase the signal to noise ratio of high in-
 127 ternal magnetic field harmonics, we select measurements near the planet's surface, i.e.,
 128 the vector data below an arbitrarily chosen altitude of 300,000 km (or radius $\sim 5.2 R_J$).
 129 Moreover, due to geometric attenuation with the altitude, high-altitude measurements
 130 are less sensitive to small spatial scales than the ones at comparatively lower altitudes.
 131 The vector data range from August 2016 to July 2020 giving 628,828 data locations, that
 132 are plotted in Supporting Information (Figure S1). Minimum measured field intensity
 133 is of the order of 3000 nT at maximum altitude while the maximum intensity reaches
 134 above 10^6 nT.

135 3 Methodology

136 The magnetic field in a source free location can be expressed as the gradient of a
 137 scalar potential V that satisfies the Laplace equation:

$$138 \quad \nabla^2 V = 0 \quad (1)$$

139 The potential for internal and external sources can be written as an expansion of SH func-
 140 tions:

$$141 \quad V(r, \theta, \phi, t) = R_J \sum_{n=1}^{n_i^{max}} \sum_{m=0}^n \left\{ \left(\frac{R_J}{r} \right)^{n+1} (g_n^m(t) \cos m\phi + h_n^m(t) \sin m\phi) P_n^m(\cos \theta) \right\}$$

$$142 \quad + R_J \sum_{n=1}^{n_e^{max}} \sum_{m=0}^n \left\{ \left(\frac{r}{R_J} \right)^n (q_n^m(t) \cos m\phi + s_n^m(t) \sin m\phi) P_n^m(\cos \theta) \right\} \quad (2)$$

143 where (r, θ, ϕ, t) are the planetocentric spherical coordinates (radius, co-latitude and lon-
 144 gitude) and time, respectively. R_J is the reference radius equal to Jupiter's equatorial
 145 radius (71,492 km). $g_n^m(t)$ and $h_n^m(t)$ are the time-dependent internal field Gauss coef-
 146 ficients of degree n and order m while $q_n^m(t)$ and $s_n^m(t)$ are the external field coefficients.
 147 P_n^m are the Schmidt quasi-normalised associated Legendre functions. n_i^{max} and n_e^{max}
 148 are the maximum degree for the internal and external field coefficients respectively.

149 To calculate the SH coefficients, we apply a weighted least-squares inversion ap-
 150 proach based on a singular value decomposition (SVD) algorithm. The weights are de-
 151 fined in nT by the instrument error and intrinsic noise for each Juno data location (Connerney
 152 et al., 2017). The temporal variation of the internal field is calculated using B-splines
 153 of order 2, which are piece-wise polynomials describing the time derivatives between de-
 154 fined knots. We use three knots, at the beginning, middle and final epoch of the mea-
 155 surements (spacing is about 1.95 years). This parameterization was extensively tested
 156 on the selected set of Juno's data location with a synthetic time-varying internal mag-
 157 netic field mimicking the strength and the power spectrum of the actual internal field
 158 of Jupiter. The inversion on synthetic measurements does not require regularization with

159 this parameterization and it is stable with random noise (Details of the method, tests
160 and assessments are provided in the Supporting Information, Text S1).

161 Once the Gauss coefficients and their time variation are estimated, several statisti-
162 cal quantities can be computed. The Lowes-Mauersberger spectrum represents the mag-
163 netic field power spectrum per SH degree (Mauersberger, 1956; Lowes, 2007). For a given
164 time, and at a given radius r , it can be defined as

$$165 \quad \mathcal{R}_n = (n+1) \left(\frac{R_J}{r} \right)^{(2n+4)} \sum_{m=0}^n [(g_n^m)^2 + (h_n^m)^2] \quad (3)$$

166 at SH degree n . Similarly, for the SV, it can be defined as

$$167 \quad \mathcal{S}_n = (n+1) \left(\frac{R_J}{r} \right)^{(2n+4)} \sum_{m=0}^n [(\dot{g}_n^m)^2 + (\dot{h}_n^m)^2] \quad (4)$$

168 where \dot{g}_n^m and \dot{h}_n^m are the Gauss coefficients of the SV.

169 The main field and its spectrum \mathcal{R}_n can be upward or downward continued, pro-
170 vided there are no magnetic field sources present in between. This property has been used
171 to derive estimates of the radius of the dynamo region, or of the liquid core, in the case
172 of the Earth. This is also known as the white noise hypothesis: immediately outside the
173 dynamo region, the part of the magnetic spectrum associated with the dynamo is assumed
174 flat, and the depth to the dynamo can thus be grossly estimated (Lowes, 1974). How-
175 ever some terms ($n=1$ and $n=2$) have to be ignored in order for this approximation to
176 match the radius of the Earth's core (Cain et al., 1989; Voorhies, 2004). Langlais et al.
177 (2014) found that certain parts of the spectrum \mathcal{R}_n , namely the non-zonal and quadrupole
178 families, are independent of n at some radius r (see Supporting Information, Text S2 for
179 details). On Earth, these approaches return the value of the core or dynamo radius with
180 a combined relative error lower than 0.3%. In the following, we refer to the dynamo ra-
181 dius at Jupiter, estimated from the non-zonal and quadrupole families of coefficients, as
182 \mathbf{R}_{sf} . It can be interpreted as the radius of the top of the source region, or the bottom
183 of the source free region.

184 The correlation times as a function of degree n can also be defined combining the
185 quantities \mathcal{R}_n and \mathcal{S}_n . The correlation times, also referred to as the SV timescales, give
186 a measure of how long it takes for the field of a particular degree to get reorganized, or
187 become uncorrelated to its former state at that degree (Hulot & Le Mouél, 1994; Chris-
188 tensen & Tilgner, 2004; Amit et al., 2018). It is expressed as

$$189 \quad \tau_n = \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{R}_n}{\mathcal{S}_n}} \quad (5)$$

190 4 Results and Discussion

191 We calculate the main field model up to degree 20 and the SV to degree 8. The
192 external field is estimated up to degree 2. Suspicion of power leakage from unresolved
193 small and rapid spatial scales leads us to reject 29 out of the 608 eigenvalues in the weighted
194 least-squares inversion. As a consequence, the terms beyond SH degree 16 are damped,
195 and the final model is truncated to $n_i^{max} = 16$. We estimate a posteriori standard error
196 on the coefficients from the covariance matrix and the inversion misfit for the three
197 vector components. The misfits for each vector component are given in Supporting In-
198 formation (Table S1). This table also shows the statistics for a model to SH degree 20
199 derived without SV. The misfit difference between these two cases supports the fact that
200 a statistically significant and global SV is present in the measurements. The secular vari-
201 ation improves data fit better than increasing field complexity (see Ridley and Holme

(2016) for a similar conclusion). Note that Connerney et al. (2022) also indicates strong evidences for local secular variation in the vicinity of Jupiter’s Great Blue Spot between Juno perijoves 9 and 33. Figure 1a displays the main field (and the SV) power spectra with the 99 percent error bars. For comparison, the power spectrum of the model of Connerney et al. (2022) is also shown, which falls within the error bars down to SH degree 15-16. The increase of the power between $n = 16$ and 18 of our model probably arises because of the spectral aliasing of remaining signal in the measurements. We also note that with increasing orbits the satellite goes lower in altitude near the north pole while increasing the size of a gap at similar latitude ranges over the south pole area. This results in high degree, low order terms being less resolved (i.e., zonal and near zonal terms). The Supporting Information (Figure S2) shows the root mean square differences between Juno’s dataset and predictions by our model, a model calculated without SV, the model by Connerney et al. (2022), considering different truncation degrees for each model. At SH degree 16, our model and the model by Connerney et al. (2022) have a root mean square misfit to data equal to about 800 nT.

217 4.1 Inferences on the internal structure

218 We estimate the dynamo radius \mathbf{R}_{sf} for varying truncation degrees of the main field
 219 model n_i^{max} seeking in a minimum least-squares sense the depth at which the power spec-
 220 tra from the non-zonal ($m \neq 0$) and quadrupole ($n + m$ even) families of coefficients
 221 are statistically flat (Langlais et al., 2014). The error bars on the estimated dynamo ra-
 222 dius decrease up to truncation degree $n_i^{max} = 16$ for both families (Supporting Infor-
 223 mation, Figure S8). It is also the truncation degree for which the maximum likelihood
 224 estimates from the non-zonal and quadrupole families of power spectra coincide. This
 225 again supports the choice of truncating the present model to the maximum degree 16.
 226 The maximum likelihood value from the non-zonal field is equal to $0.831 R_J$ and that
 227 from the quadrupole family is equal to $0.829 R_J$. We use their mean and combine their
 228 standard errors to provide a single estimate for $R_{sf} = 0.830 \pm 0.022 R_J$. Previous stud-
 229 ies such as the one by Connerney et al. (2018) estimate the dynamo radius ‘near 0.85
 230 R_J ’ while Connerney et al. (2022) estimate it to $0.81 R_J$ and Tsang and Jones (2020)
 231 between 0.82 and $0.87 R_J$ using a numerical model. However, all these studies use the
 232 white noise hypothesis as discussed above, which ignores the $n = 1$ and even $n = 2$
 233 terms.

234 For a dynamo to exist in a planet, two main criteria are required: an electrically-
 235 conducting fluid and an energy source, which is often convection within a spherical shell
 236 in rotation. For Jupiter, the metallic hydrogen is the fluid, and its convective motion drives
 237 the dynamo. Convection can also take place in the source free region, without contribut-
 238 ing to the dynamo. Wicht and Gastine (2020), through numerical simulations, suggested
 239 the possibility of two distinct dynamo regions inside Jupiter. The primary region would
 240 be at depth, and is responsible for the dipole dominated field geometry. The secondary
 241 one would be shallower, and operates where the equatorial jets encounter conductive ma-
 242 terial in the transition layer. However, surface jets motion decays rapidly with depth and
 243 are unlikely to extend at depths larger than about 3,000-3,500 km or $\sim 0.95 R_J$ (Kaspi
 244 et al., 2018; Guillot et al., 2018). Christensen et al. (2020) suggested that a stratified layer,
 245 close to the surface, could quench the jets at depth and play a role in the secondary dy-
 246 namo. Our study points towards a source free region extending deeper, with a radius placed
 247 at $0.830 R_J$. This radius could correspond to the upper limit of the dynamo region. We
 248 note that it also matches well the radius of the transition layer in between the metal-
 249 lic and molecular hydrogen (Brygoo et al., 2021), rendering this layer part of the dynamo
 250 region (Figure 2). Our results do not provide constraints on the bottom radius of the
 251 dynamo and do not indicate a shallower secondary dynamo (Gastine & Wicht, 2021) above
 252 $0.830 R_J$.

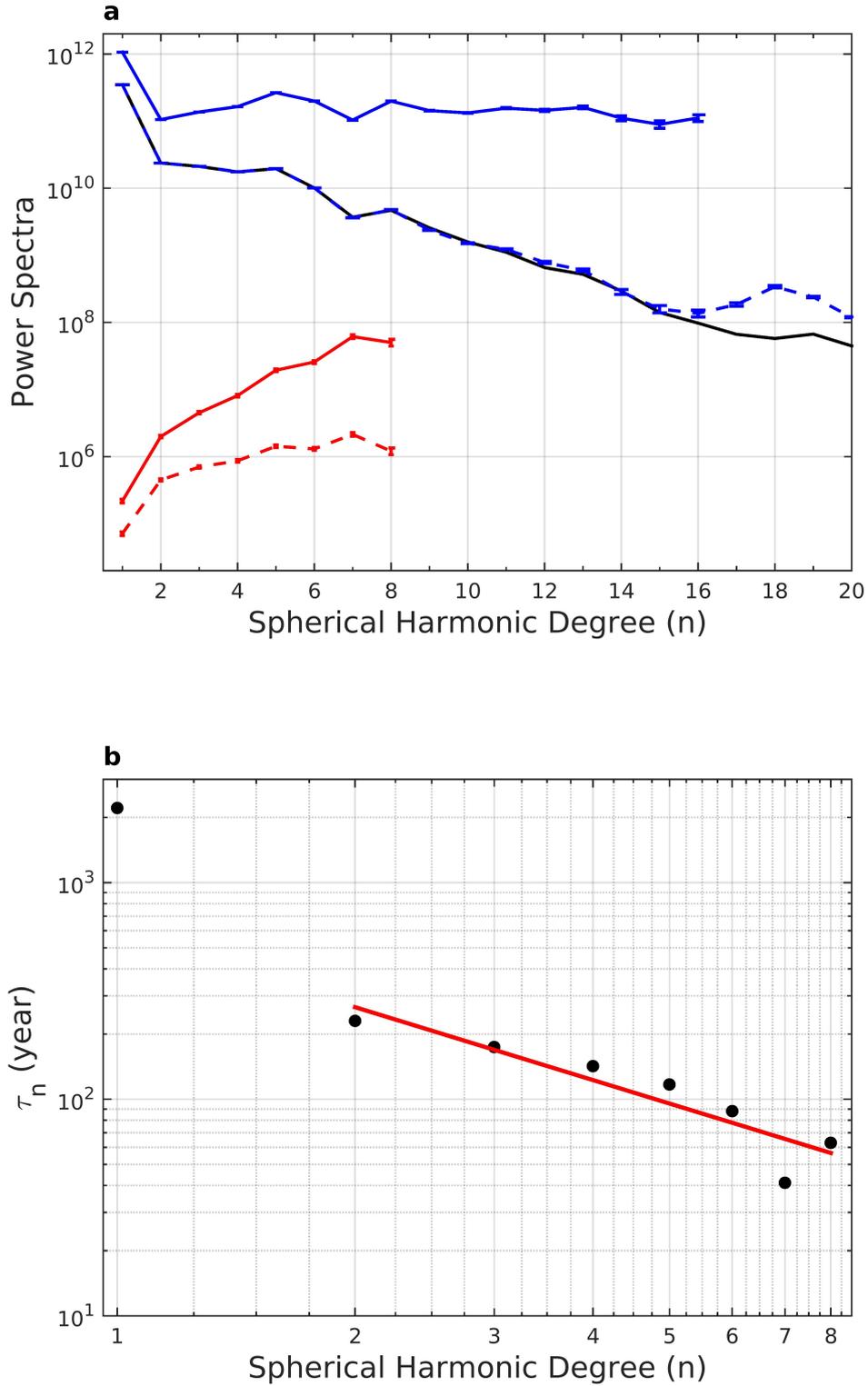


Figure 1. (a) The power spectra with error bars for the main field (shown in blue, units - nT^2) and secular variation (shown in red, units - $(\text{nT}/\text{year})^2$) of the model at the surface (dashed line) and at \mathbf{R}_{sf} (solid line). The main field terms for $n > 16$ are not downward continued to \mathbf{R}_{sf} . The black line is the main field power spectrum of the model of Connerney et al. (2022), which lies within the 99% bound of our model. (b) The secular variation timescales of the model. The red line is the linear best fit to the non-dipole part.

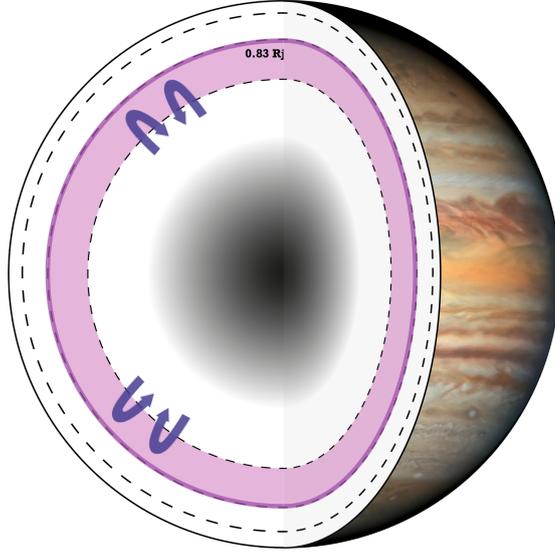


Figure 2. Schematic view of the interior of Jupiter. The bold violet line depicts our result \mathbf{R}_{sf} . The grey area depicts the core ($0.2 R_J$) and the possible dilute core region (Wicht & Gastine, 2020; Wahl et al., 2017). The violet area between the dotted lines (0.68 and $0.84 R_J$) depicts the H-He phase separated layer (Brygoo et al., 2021). The top dotted line at $0.95 R_J$ depicts the depth where the jets decay down to the minimum (Kaspi et al., 2018). The arrows represent possible convection area with unknown origin depth.

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4.2 SV Timescales

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The SV timescales are shown in Figure 1b. For the Earth, the correlation time for the dipole is around 1000 years and the lowest value at $\sim n_i^{max} = 13$ is of the order of 10 years. Field models and numerical dynamo simulations indicate that the non-dipole SV timescales are inversely proportional to the SH degree (e.g., Lhuillier et al., 2011; Bouligand et al., 2016). For Jupiter, the correlation time for the dipole (τ_1) is 2210 years while the lowest value we obtain is 40 years for degree 7. We observe similar inverse proportionality for the Jovian SV timescales. The best fit slope for $n = 2 - 8$ is -1.12 with a standard deviation of 0.21. According to the scaling theory of the magnetic induction equation, a slope of -1 corresponds to advective SV, whereas -2 indicates diffusive SV (Christensen et al., 2012; Holme & Olsen, 2006). A -2 slope for our model is well outside 2 standard deviations and can be excluded. Therefore, our best fit value -1.12 ± 0.21 suggests that the field change is dominated by advective effects, as is the case for Earth (Lhuillier et al., 2011; Christensen et al., 2012). In addition, the overall similarity between the non-dipole SV timescales of Jupiter and Earth suggests a similar magnetic Reynolds number (Christensen & Tilgner, 2004), i.e. $Rm_J \sim 1000$. In contrast, Wicht et al. (2019)

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269 concluded that diffusive effects might govern the dynamo in the transition layer. Though
 270 their transition region starts above \mathbf{R}_{sf} , the SV timescales we compute are independent
 271 of the radius, hence challenging the importance of diffusion. It thus remains an open ques-
 272 tion as to what phenomenon drives the observed SV of Jupiter.

273 4.3 Implications to Jupiter’s dynamo

274 Using the four morphological criteria defined in Christensen et al. (2010) for Earth-
 275 like dynamo models at the CMB, we compare our results with the geodynamo. For compar-
 276 ison purposes, we set $n_i^{max} = 8$ to calculate the different criteria, i.e. smaller than
 277 that shown in Figure 3(a-f). The relative axial dipole power for our model is 0.86 at \mathbf{R}_{sf}
 278 while the standard value for Earth is 1.4, though the present-day value is about 1. This
 279 indicates that Jupiter’s dynamo is either less dipolar or comparable to Earth’s (Figures
 280 3a and 3b). The equatorial anti-symmetry for Earth is 1.0, whereas our model provides
 281 a value of 0.52. A random equipartitioned non-dipole field ratio would give an equato-
 282 rial anti-symmetry of 0.83 (Christensen et al., 2010). Thus, Jupiter’s non-dipole field is
 283 more symmetric with respect to the equator than Earth’s (Figures 3c and 3d). The zonal
 284 to non-zonal ratio for a random equipartitioned field is 0.10 (Christensen et al., 2010).
 285 For Earth, the value is 0.15, while for our model the value is 0.20, which indicates a stronger
 286 zonal contribution (Figures 3e and 3f). Lastly, the flux concentration for a purely dipole
 287 field is 0.8 and that for the geomagnetic field is 1.50 (Christensen et al., 2010). The flux
 288 concentration is considered low when flux exits one hemisphere and enters through the
 289 other uniformly. Conversely, it is large when it exits from a concentrated spot and en-
 290 ters the rest of the sphere uniformly. The concentration value for our model is 4.23. This
 291 very large value reflects the dominance of the large intense flux patch in the northern
 292 hemisphere.

293 Figure 4 shows the radial magnetic field and SV maps calculated using the model
 294 at Jupiter’s surface and at \mathbf{R}_{sf} . The large positive radial field patch in the northern hemi-
 295 sphere and the intense negative patch near the equator (the Great Blue Spot) become
 296 more concentrated with depth. SV is of the order of 10^4 nT/year at the surface. This
 297 corresponds to a 2.3% change over the course of four years of the dataset used, compared
 298 to the 1.4% change over a similar duration for the Earth’s magnetic field. As for the Earth’s,
 299 it should not be ignored when modelling the magnetic field over periods exceeding a few
 300 years.

301 The spatial pattern of temporal variation of the field brings further dynamical con-
 302 straints. The power spectrum of the SV calculated at \mathbf{R}_{sf} increases with degree (Fig-
 303 ure 1a). Indeed, the SV reveals intense small scale structures (Figure 4). The strong neg-
 304 ative radial field patch immediately south of the equator (Figure 4b) coincides with a
 305 pair of SV structures (Figure 4d), suggesting eastward drift (Amit, 2014; Livermore et
 306 al., 2017). This is opposite to the westward drifting low- and mid-latitude patches ob-
 307 served with Earth’s SV (Bullard et al., 1950; Finlay & Jackson, 2003; Aubert et al., 2013).
 308 This eastward drift could relate to the zonal winds observed at the surface or until 0.95
 309 R_J (Moore et al., 2019). However, our model presents also other prominent SV struc-
 310 tures which cannot be explained by zonal winds. There is some suggestion for a weak
 311 eastward drift near 45°N latitude, which is the centre of the large positive radial field
 312 patch (Figure 4b). But, it is not associated with particularly strong SV for most of its
 313 structure, possibly indicating a region with dominantly field-aligned flow (Finlay & Amit,
 314 2011). Livermore et al. (2017) gave similar explanation for the absence of strong SV at
 315 southern high latitudes of Earth. Bearing in mind that the model is less constrained at
 316 the south pole, the opposite signs of B_r and \dot{B}_r (Supporting Figure S3) suggest local fluid
 317 upwelling (Amit, 2014), similar to the field and SV below Earth’s poles and in agreement
 318 with a classic meridional circulation inside the tangent cylinder (Olson & Aurnou, 1999;
 319 Cao et al., 2018). In addition, the southern hemisphere has many alternating sign SV
 320 patches (Figure 4d) which are not correlated with particularly strong field structures (Fig-

321 ure 4b). We note that the radial field and its SV from \mathbf{R}_{sf} to the surface are weakly sen-
 322 sitive to depth (Figure 4), making these kinematic interpretations robust.

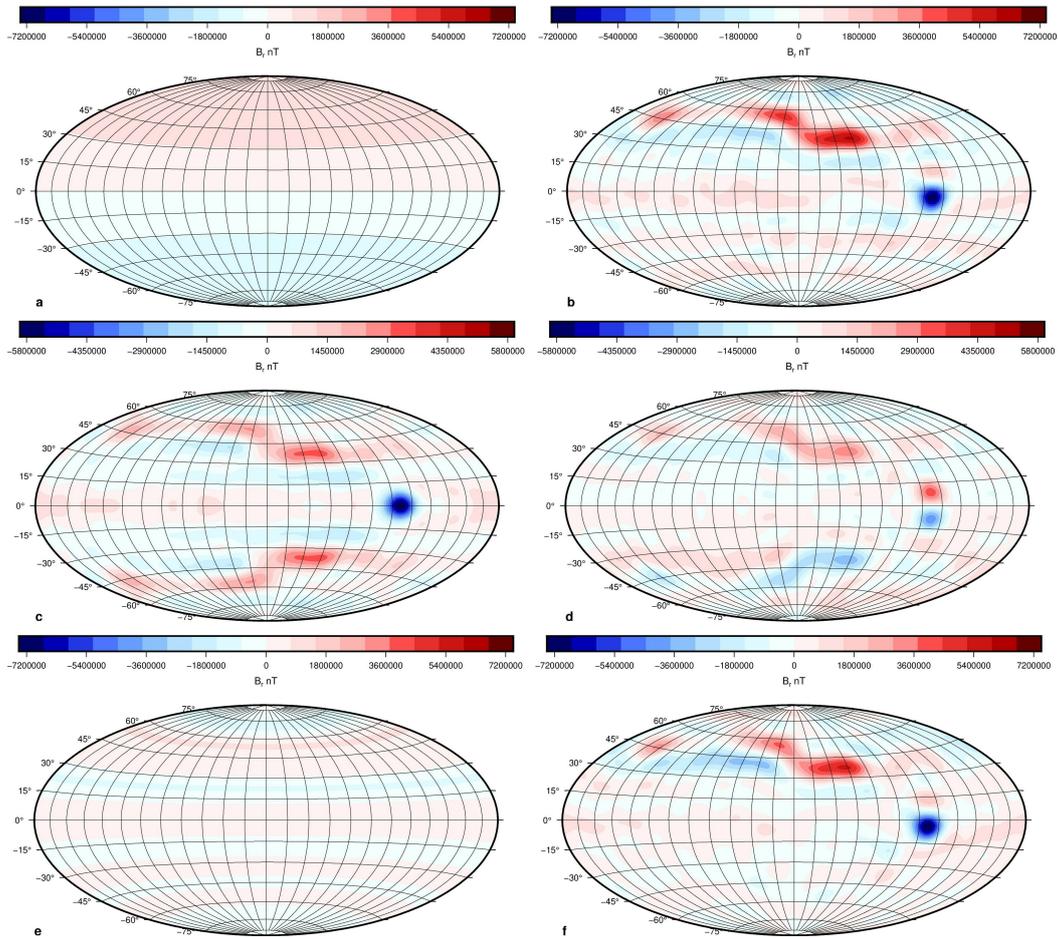


Figure 3. The radial field at \mathbf{R}_{sf} . (a) Axial dipole field. (b) Non axial dipole field. (c) Non-dipole symmetric field. (d) Non-dipole anti-symmetric field. (e) Non-dipole zonal field. (f) Non-dipole non-zonal field. The maps are centered at 180° longitude.

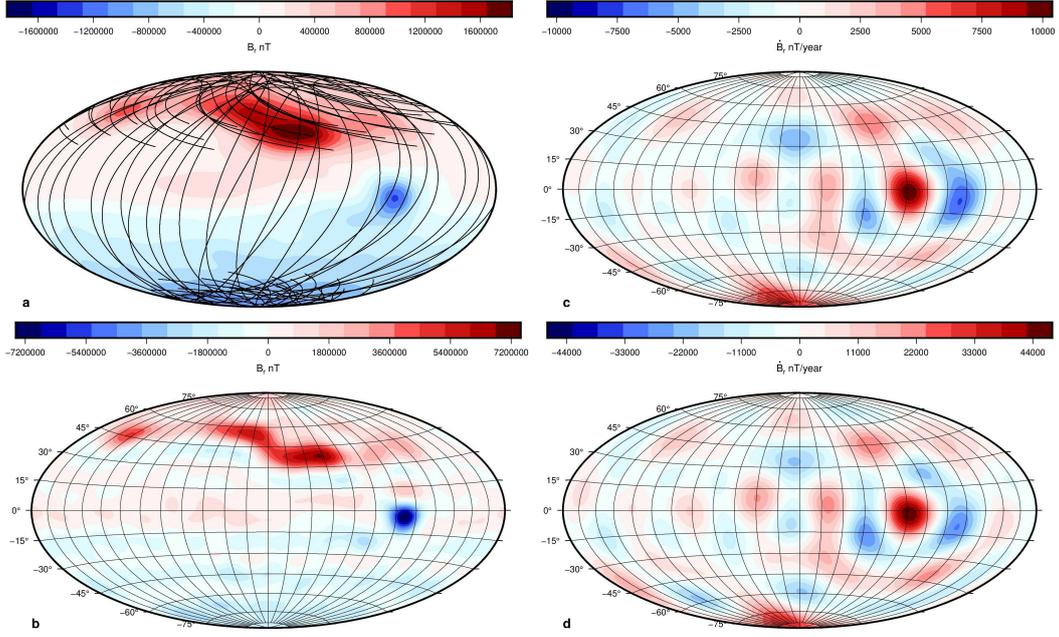


Figure 4. The (a, b) radial field and (c, d) its secular variation at (top) Jupiter’s surface and (bottom) R_{sf} . The maps are centered at 180° longitude. The lines in (a) show the orbit paths of the used data set.

5 Concluding remarks

We present a magnetic field model robust up to degree 16 and secular variation up to degree 8. The dynamo radius of $0.830 R_J$ is more precise considering the method used and indicates that the transition region is part of the dynamo generation. The dominance of advective SV and the relative level of axial dipolarity of Jupiter exhibit similarity with the geodynamo. We find that the global secular variation is not weak enough to be neglected and the flow deep inside Jupiter involves zonal as well as complex non-zonal structures.

More insights into the dynamo regime could be gleaned by inferring the flow at Jupiter’s deep interior. Our field and SV model can be inverted for the flow at R_{sf} . Such an inversion, which is commonly performed for the flow at the top of Earth’s core (Holme, 2015), was performed for Jupiter by Ridley and Holme (2016), but using a very low resolution SV model. More data are also needed to increase the resolution of the field model and to confirm the temporal variation observed during the last four years. This will come from Juno during the upcoming extended mission, but also when the ESA’s JUICE mission enters Jupiter’s orbit at the end of this decade.

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Open Research

All Juno magnetometer data used here are publicly available on NASA's Planetary Data System (PDS) at Planetary Plasma Interactions (PPI) node at <https://pds-ppi.igpp.ucla.edu/search/?sc=Juno&t=Jupiter&i=FGM>.

The model coefficients and their standard deviation for the static field to degree 16 and its secular variation to degree 8 are available at:

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