# FORMATION OF WEAK MAGNETIC PROPERTIES IN LUNAR DUSTY PLASMA

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## LUNAR SURFACE



### **APOLLO** Mission

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## LUNAR SOIL COMPOSITION





X-ray fluorescence spectrum of lunar regolith, the resulting device APXS on board the Chinese lunar rover "Jade Rabbit"

# THE CHEMICAL AND ELEMENTAL COMPOSITION

## The elemental composition of lunar regolith (in%)

Element	Basalt	Mainland regolith	Regolith individual basins
Ca	7,9	10,7	7,7
Mg	5,8	4,6	6,1
Fe	13,2	4,9	3,7
Al	6,8	13,3	9,8
Ti	3,1	-	-
Si	20,4	21,0	21,8
0	41,3	44,6	43,3
S	0,1	0,072	0,076
К	0,1	0,073	0,24
Na	0,3	0,48	0,38

The chemical composition of the sea regolith (basalt) and mainland regolith (in %)

Composition	Basalt	Mainland regolith
SiO <sub>2</sub>	41,7	44,4
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	15,33	22,9
TiO <sub>2</sub>	3,39	0,56
FeO	16,64	7,03
MgO	8,78	9,7
CaO	12,49	15,2
Na <sub>2</sub> O	0,34	0,55
K <sub>2</sub> O	0,1	0,1
MnO	0,21	0,12
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0,28	-
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0,12	0,14

### A SCHEMATIC ILLUSTRATION OF PLASMAS AND FIELDS WHICH AFFECT THE LUNAR PLASMA ENVIRONMENT NEAR

#### THE LUNAR SURFACE:



Esa Kallio, e.a., Kinetic simulations of finite gyroradius effects in the lunar plasma environment on global, meso, and microscales, Planetary and Space Science 74, 146–155, 2012.

### THE LUNAR MAGNETIC ANOMALIES IN THE PIC MODEL



The lunar magnetic anomalies were discovered by the Apollo 12 magnetometer deployed on the lunar surface and by Explorer 35 from orbit [1].

The surface fields measured by Apollo 12, 14, 15, and 16 magnetometers were 38, 103, 3, and 327 nT, respectively [1].

Satellite observations showed that the largest and strongest magnetic fields, responsible for most of the solar wind limb disturbances were located on the lunar far side [2]. LP/ER measurements (Lunar Prospector electron reflectometry) suggests that the surface magnetic field strengths could reach thousands of nanotesla in some locations [3].

## **DYNAMIC FOUNTAIN MODEL**



The evolution of a dust grain in dynamic fountain model T. J. Stubbs, R. R. Vondrak and W. M. Farrell A DYNAMIC FOUNTAIN MODEL FOR LUNAR DUST. Lunar

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### PARAMETERS OF THE NEAR-SURFACE PLASMA ENVIRONMENT FOR DIFFERENT SOLAR ACTIVITY CONDITIONS

	Equation	Solar Min.	Solar Max.	Solar Flare
Photoelectron current density $J_{\rm ph}(\mu A/m^2)$	$J_{ph} = q \int_{W}^{\infty} Y(E) S(\lambda) \frac{d\lambda}{dE} dE.$	5.05	15.5	40
Surface potential $\phi_L(V)$	$J_{ph} = J_{SW}$	5.0	7.2	9.1
Plasma density n <sub>e</sub> (cm <sup>-3</sup> )	$n_e \cong 2 J_{ph,0} / \sqrt{T_{ph}/m_e},$	106	330	840
Debye length $\lambda_D(\text{cm})$	$\lambda_D = \sqrt{\epsilon_0 T_{ph}/n_e q^2} \ , \label{eq:lambda_D}$	100	60	36
Surface electric field $E(V/m)$	$E \cong \phi_L / \lambda_D$	4.9	12.5	25
Surface charge density $\sigma(10^{-10} \text{ C/m}^2)$	$\sigma = E\epsilon_0.$	0.43	1.1	2.2
$E^2(V^{2/m^2})$	$[\phi_L/\lambda_D]^2$	23.7	153	632

### **IRRADIATION INFLUENCE ON MAGNETIC PROPERTIES**



Temporary change of the magnetization:  $m_d$  - domain restructuring;  $\mathbb{M}m_l$  - photoinduced change in magnetization



Magnetization curves of nanocomposite with manganese-zinc ferrite particles  $Mn_{0.5} Zn_{0.5} Fe_2O_4$ , measured at different temperatures.

### DIFFERENT WAYS OF METAL EVAPORATION FOR MAGNETIC NANOPARTICLES (CLUSTERS) PRODUCTION:



Photomicrograph of iron nanoparticles

Laser evaporation; thermal evaporation; arc, plasma evaporation; evaporation under the influence of solar energy. There is also a synthesis of the nanoparticles in a stream of hydrogen plasma (HPRM) and LECBD method (Low Energy Cluster Beam Deposition). The latter consists in depositing on the substrate uncharged particles with low kinetic energy.

# CHANGES IN THE MAGNETIC PROPERTIES

<b>Object description</b>	Characteristic dimension	Specific magnetic entities
Macroscopic sample	¥ 1 ×	The spontaneous magnetization at $T \boxtimes T_C$ . Formation of the domains.
Microscopical sample	50 - 1000 nm	The magnetic characteristics depend strongly on the prehistory of the sample and its processing
Small magnetic particles in a diamagnetic matrix	1 -30 nm	The presence of the blocking temperature $T_b \boxtimes T_c$ . At temperatures $T > T_b$ particle proceeds to superparamagnetic state
Single atom	~ 0,2 nm	"Conventional" paramagnetic properties

# LEFT-HANDED MEDIA (LHM)



made of a left-handed material.





# CONCLUSIONS

1. The magnetic properties of the lunar exosphere are determined by:

chemical composition of the microparticles in the lunar dusty plasma;

the intensity of the sunlight within a certain range.

2. Map of the lunar magnetic anomalies is necessary for more in-depth study of these issues

3. Left-handed media can be formed from Dusty plasma with ferromagnetic grains