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Variations of ULF frequencies observed at ground based geomagnetic conjugate pair

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Budnik et.al.,[1998] found out a jump of ULF frequencies recorded by GOES6. They suggested that such a jump of frequencies may reflect a jump of wave modes of field line oscillation from the second harmonic half wave to the fundamental quarter wave (Allan and Knox,1979). But the mechanism of such a mode transition is still open to discussion.

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