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MHD Simulation of Interplanetary propagation of Multiple Coronal Mass Ejections with Internal Magnetic Flux rope

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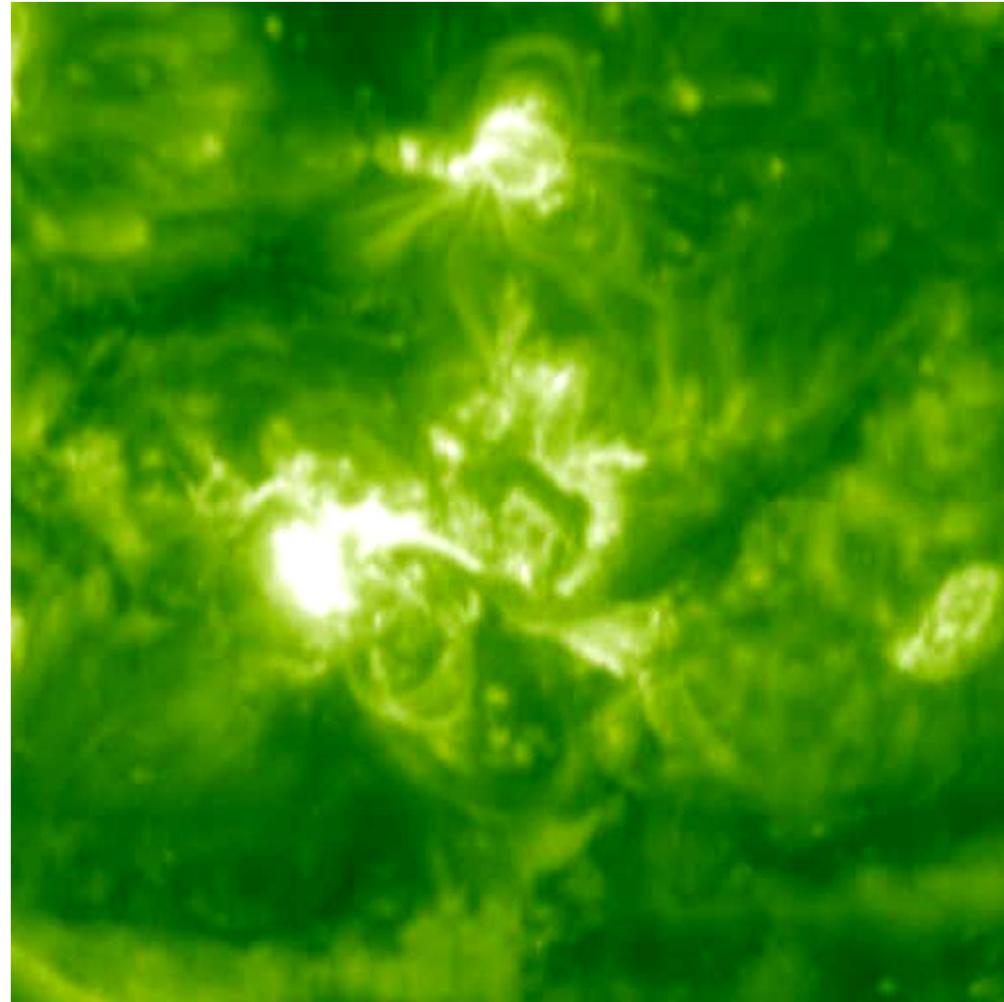
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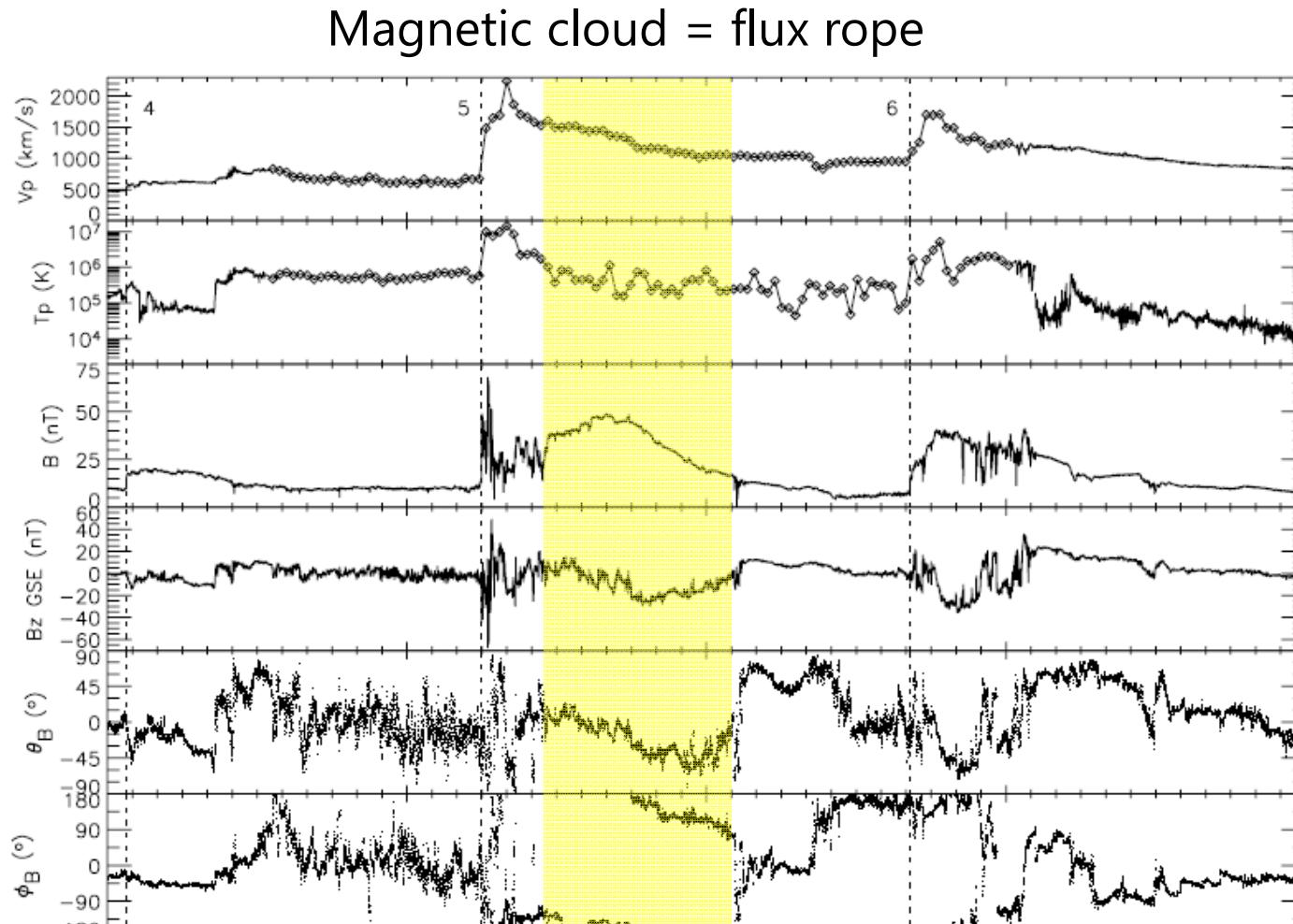
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Solar flares and CMEs



- EIT and LASCO movies of the flare on Oct. 28, 2003 (Halloween storm)

Characteristic structure of CME: flux rope

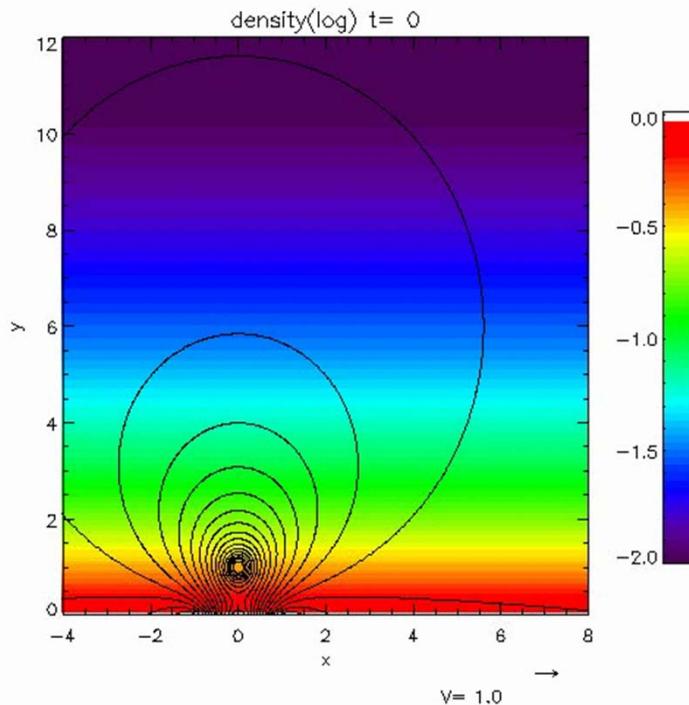


**Estimation of the arrival of Southward Magnetic field (SBz)
is a very important task in the space weather forecast**

Origins of twisted flux rope

Two possibility

- A pre-existing coronal flux rope (sometimes associated with a prominence)
- Formation during an eruption via reconnection in a sheared coronal arcade

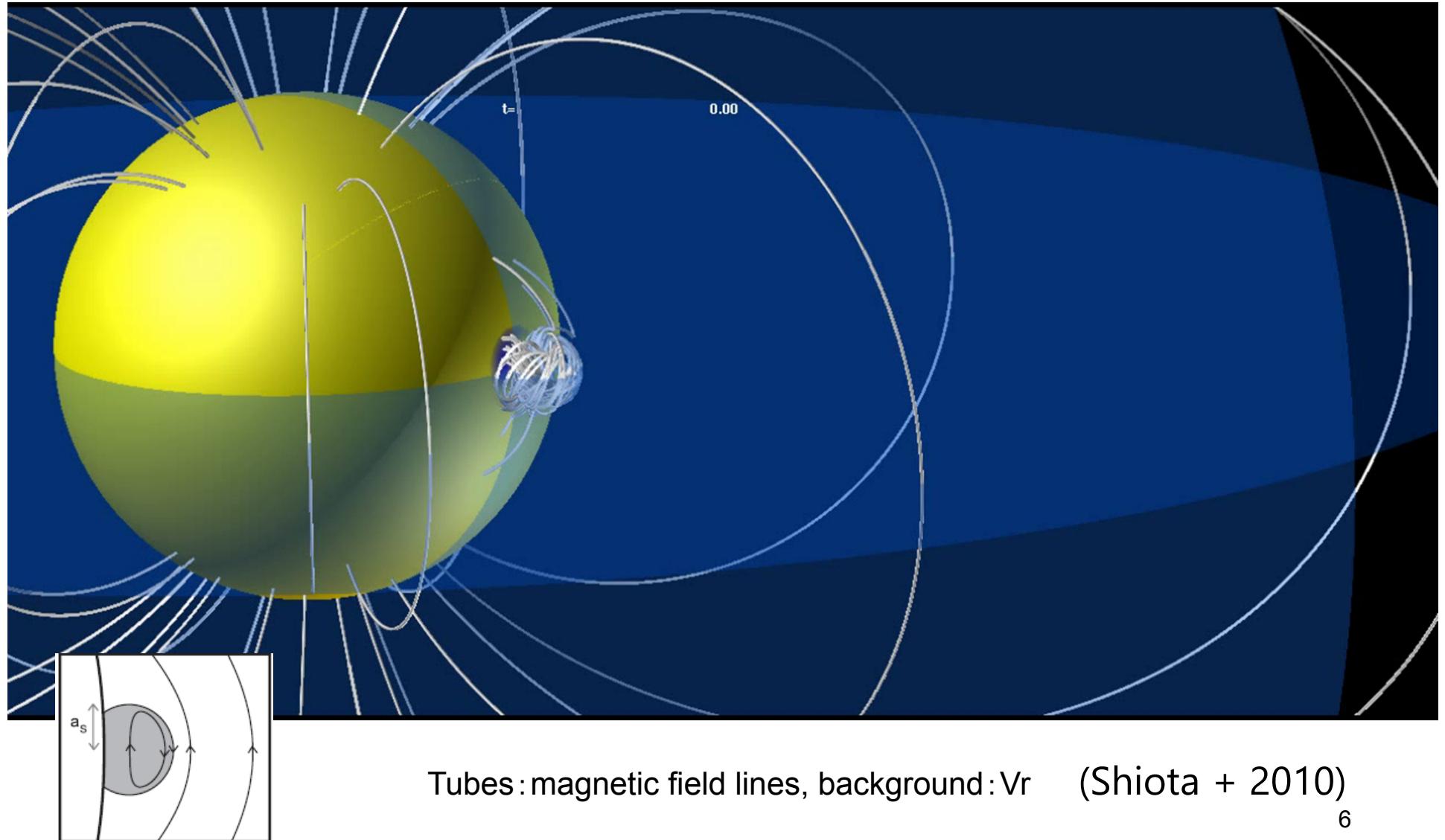


(Shiota + 2003, 2005, Shiota 2007)

From either origin, a twisted magnetic flux rope is commonly formed and ejected outward.

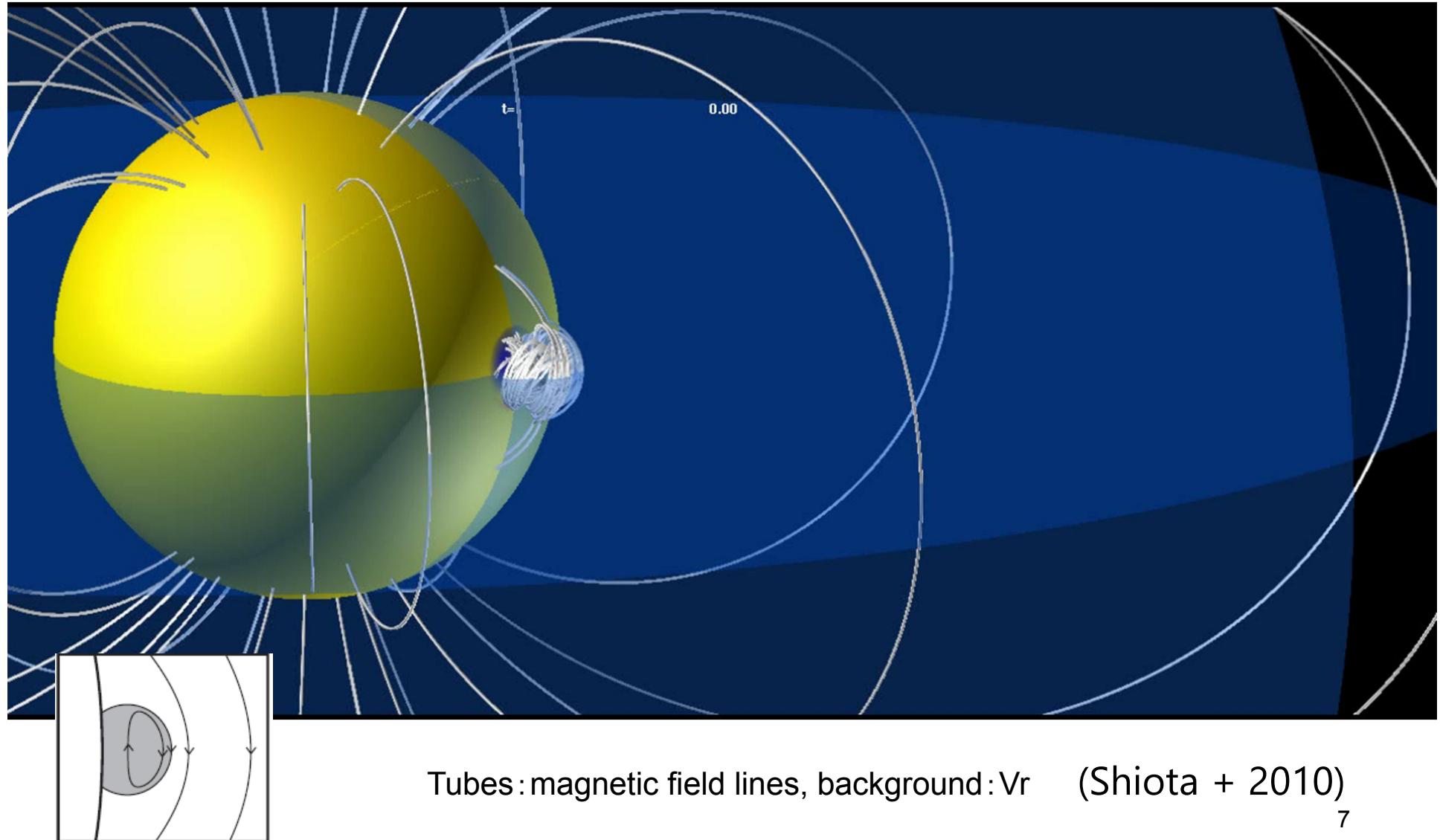
Interaction between flux rope and ambient field

The flux rope disappears because most of the magnetic flux is reconnected



Interaction between flux rope and ambient field

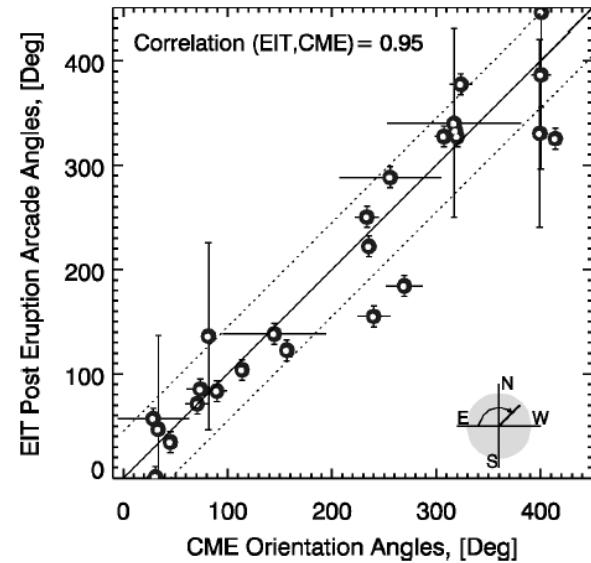
The flux rope escape to the outer boundary (formation of CME)



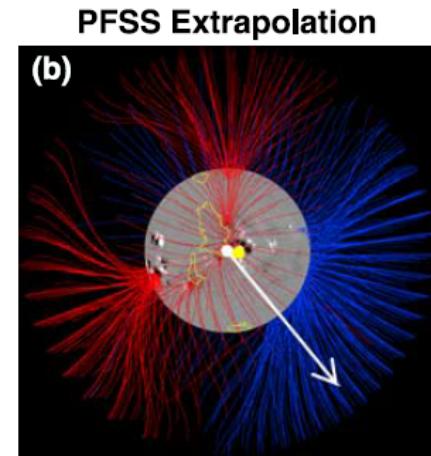
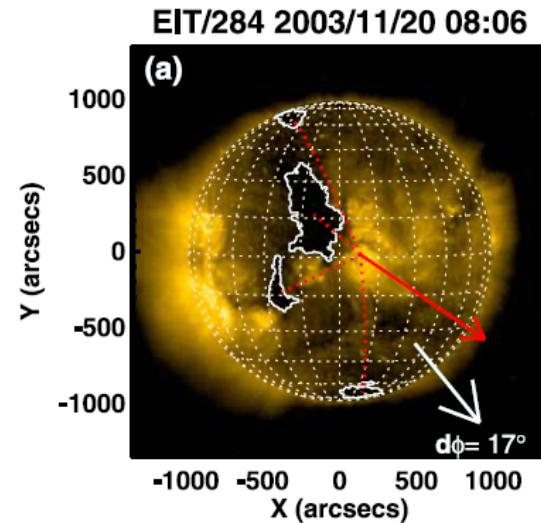
Interaction with ambient field

Interaction with the ambient field on the way

- success or failure of evolution to a CME
- the orientation of the flux rope
- deflection of the erupting flux rope



Yurchyshyn + 2008

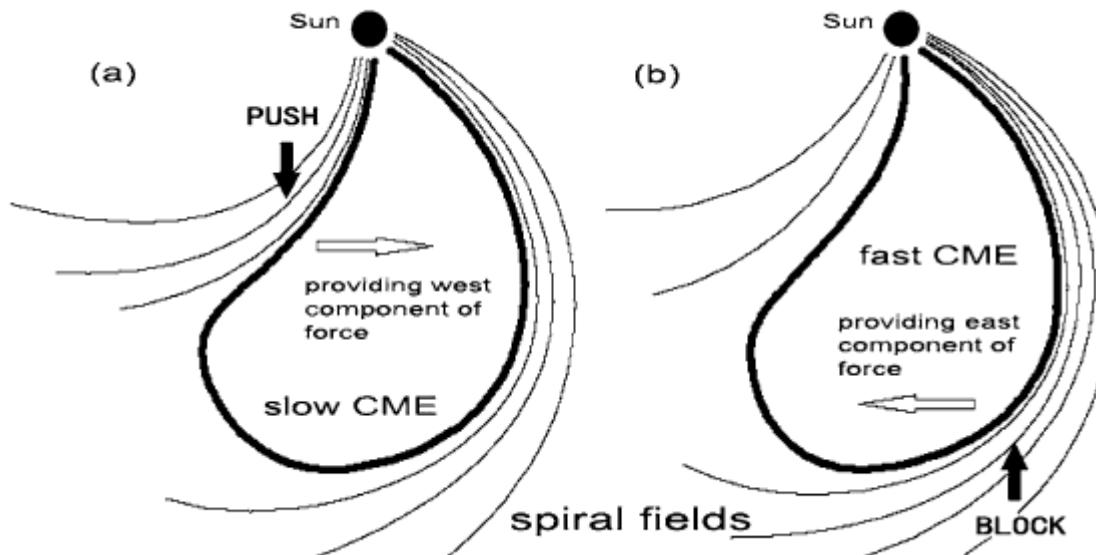


Gopalswamy + 2009

Interaction with solar wind

Background solar wind

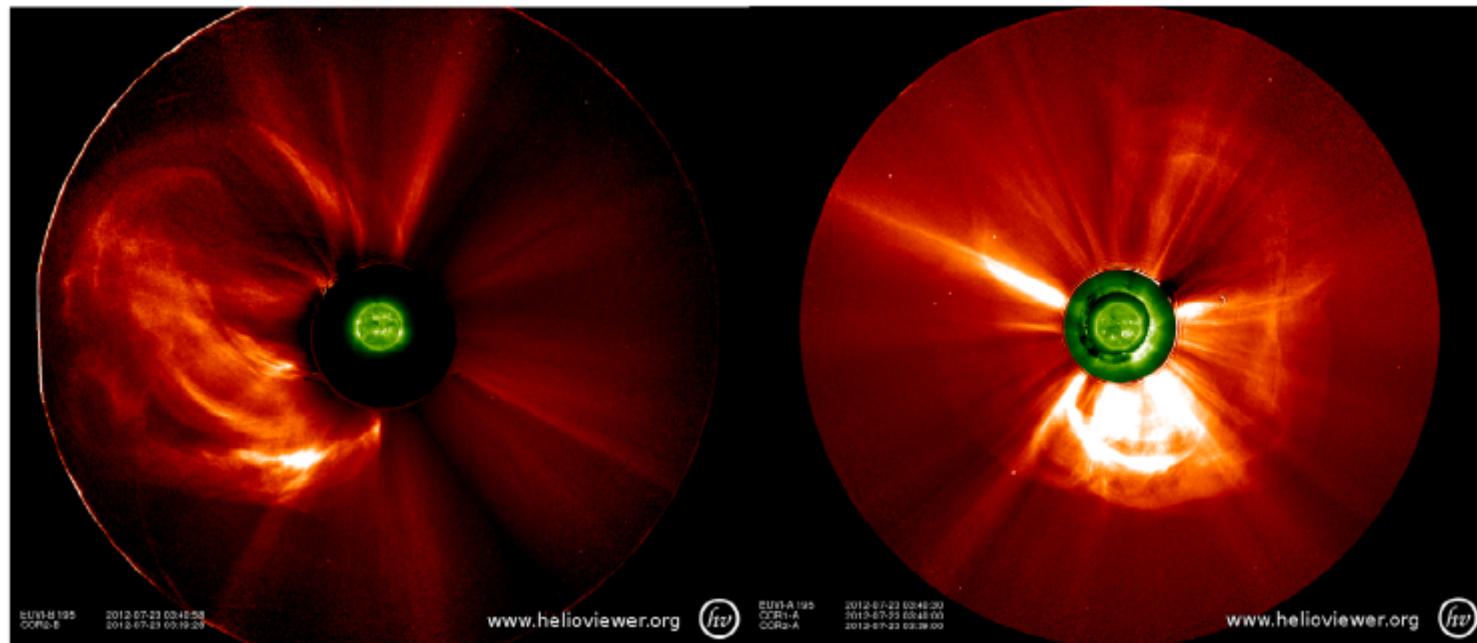
- drag fast CMEs backward
- push slow CMEs forward
- Longitudinal deflection CMEs



Wang + 2004

CME-CME interaction

- Interaction between successive CMEs can prevent expansion of flux ropes and lead an arrival of strong magnetic field (ex. 2012 July STEREO event, Baker + 2013, Liu + 2014).



Physical processes affect CME evolution

- Formation of twisted magnetic flux ropes
- Interaction with ambient
 - Interchange reconnection
 - Rotation
 - Deflection
 - Acceleration or deceleration
- Interaction between successive CMEs

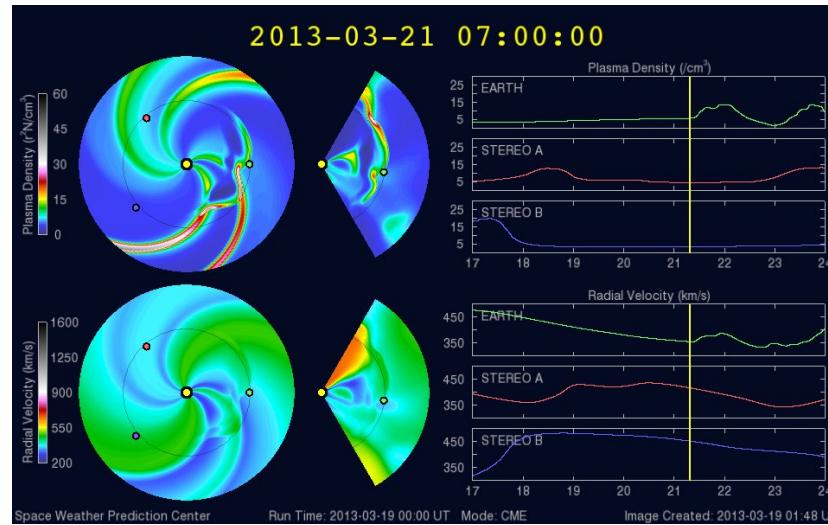
There are many uncertainties

=> realistic modeling with MHD simulation
(validation with in situ measurement)

Realistic MHD simulation

- Several research groups have made so much effort to model the whole complicated processes (from $1 R_{\text{sun}}$ to 1AU) with **realistic 3D MHD simulations**.
- There are unknown physical mechanisms (flare trigger, coronal heating, solar wind acceleration).
- Any simulation needs some models to compensate such insufficient information.
- A MHD simulation of solar corona with realistic condition consumes a large amount of numerical resource.
 - **Not suitable for real-time operation use**
 - **Not suitable for parametric studies**

WSA-ENLIL + cone model



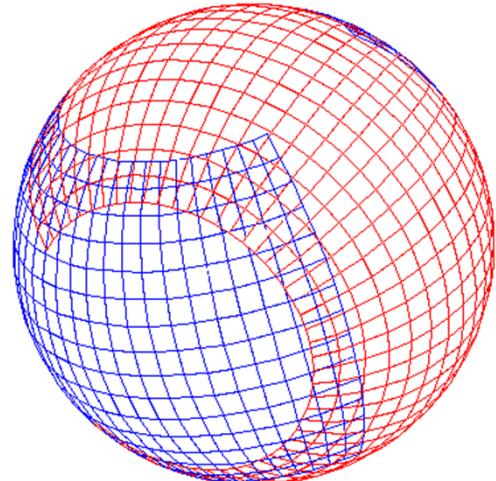
- WSA-ENLIL + cone model that skips the coronal region has been used for space weather forecast operation in NOAA/SWPC.
- In the model, a CME is injected as **a hydrodynamic pulse (without magnetic flux rope)**, and therefore the model is **not suitable to predict an intense magnetic storm** caused by the passage of a magnetic cloud within a CME.

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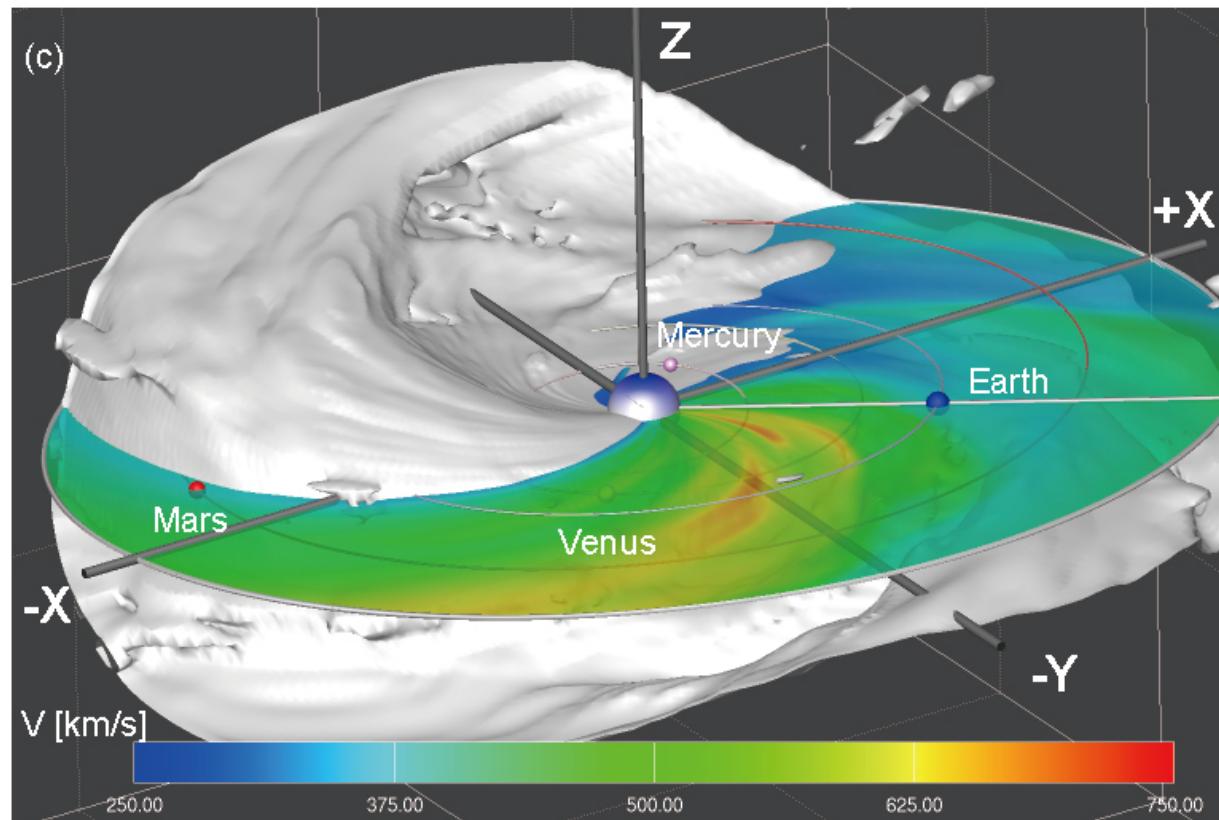
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Solar wind MHD model: SUSANOO-SW

- Numerical domain in $25 \text{ Rs} \leq r \leq 425 \text{ Rs}$ ($\sim 2 \text{ au}$)
- Yinyang Grid ($202 \times 68 \times 192 \times 2$)
- Inner boundary solar wind map rotating and time-dependent
- Planets are revolving



Heliographic inertial coordinate
Solar wind map on the ecliptic plane



Colors: velocity on ecliptic plane
White surface: neutral sheet (Shiota + 2014)

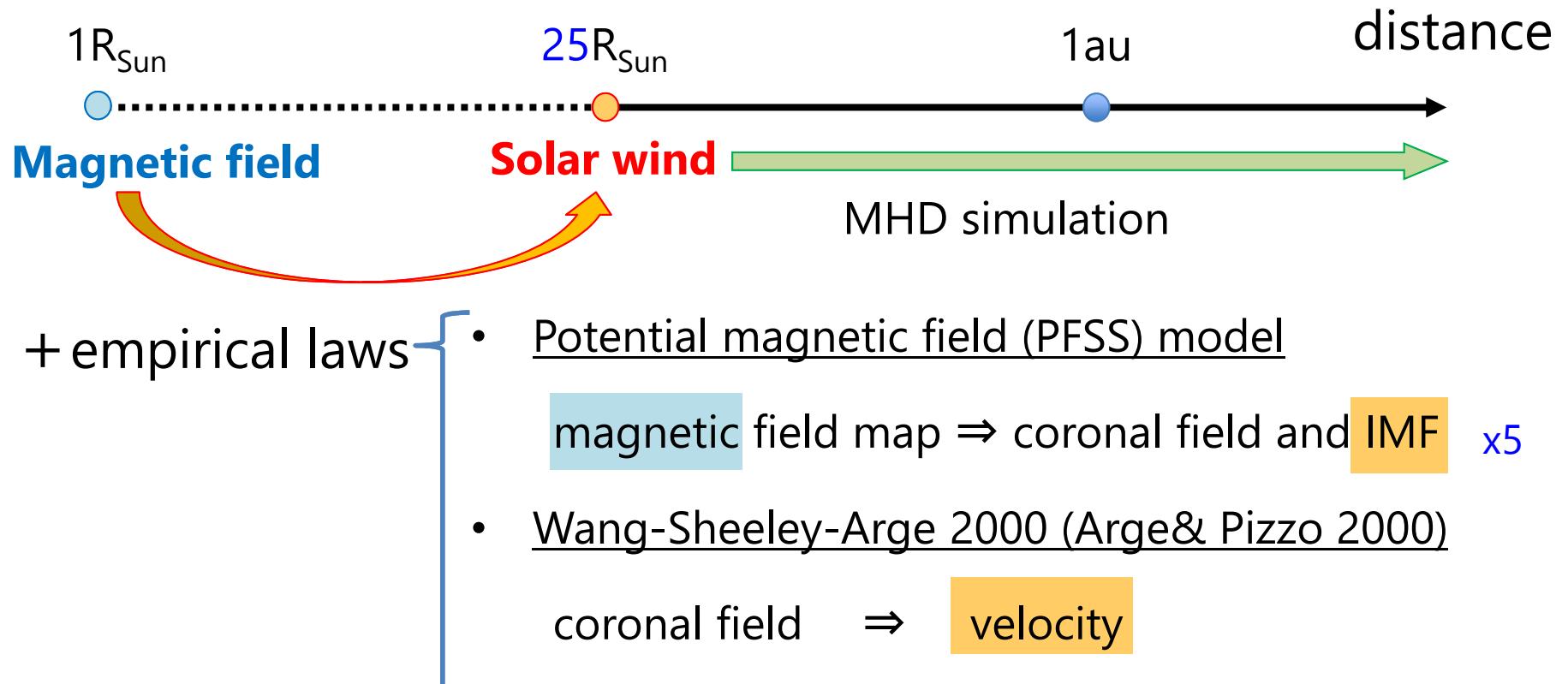


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Outline of SUSANOO-SW

The model is based on observation of solar magnetic field

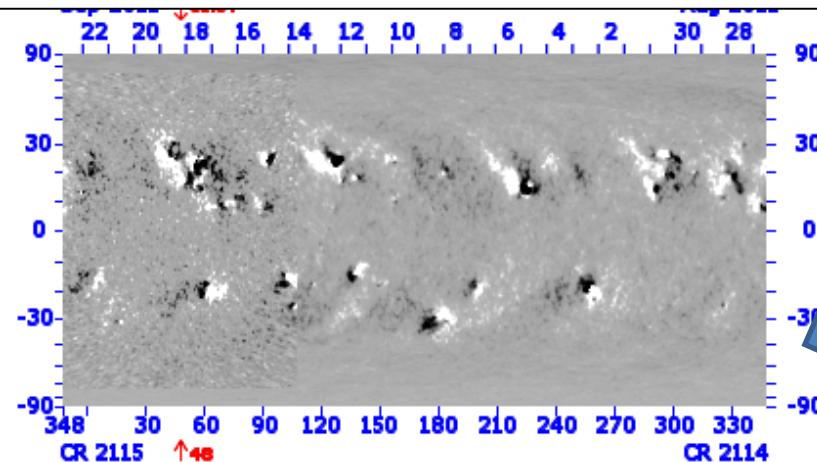


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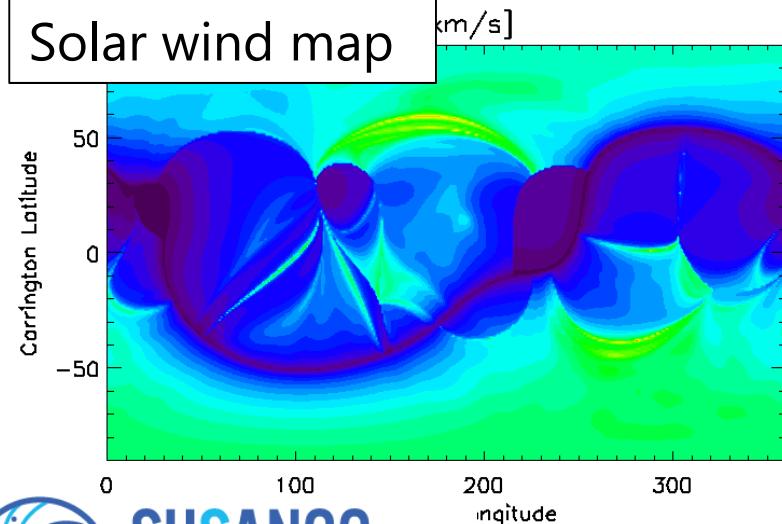
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Coronal magnetic field and solar wind velocity

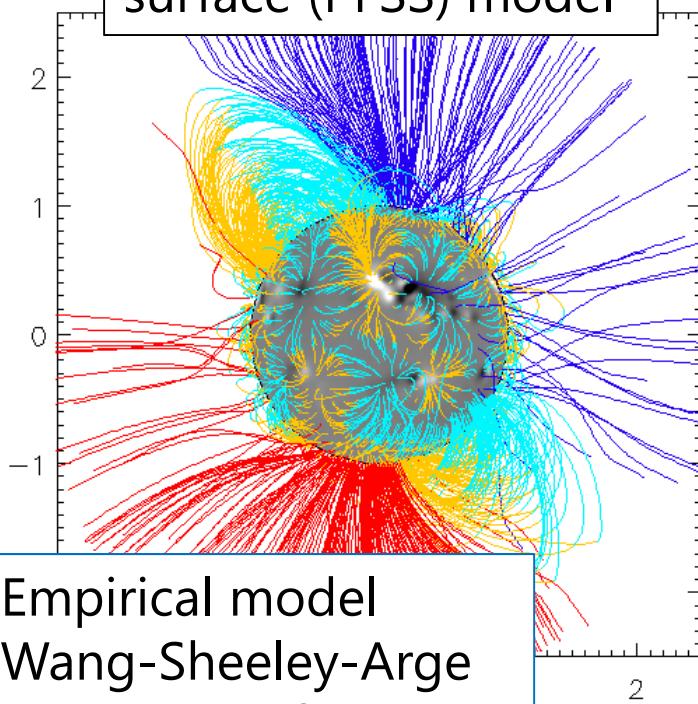
Photospheric magnetic field map



Solar wind map



Potential field source surface (PFSS) model



Empirical model
Wang-Sheeley-Arge
(WSA) 2000 formula
(Arge & Pizzo 2000)
Helios Observations

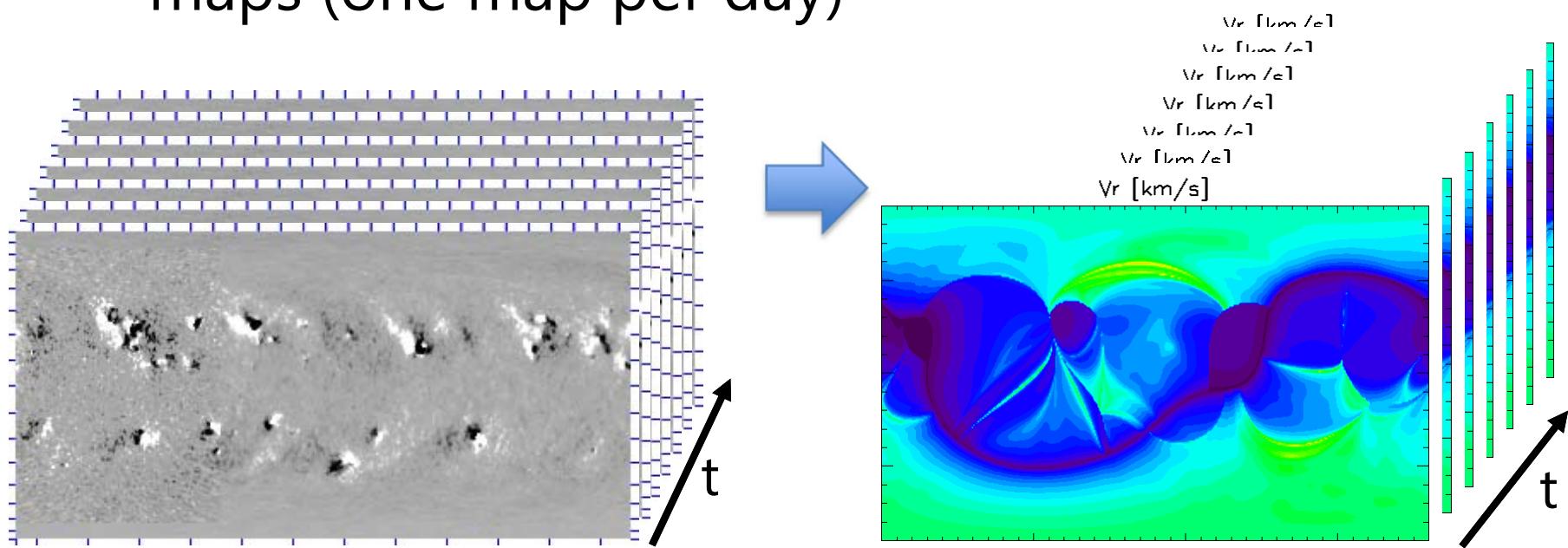


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Time-varying inner boundary condition

- A time series of photospheric magnetic field maps (one map per day)



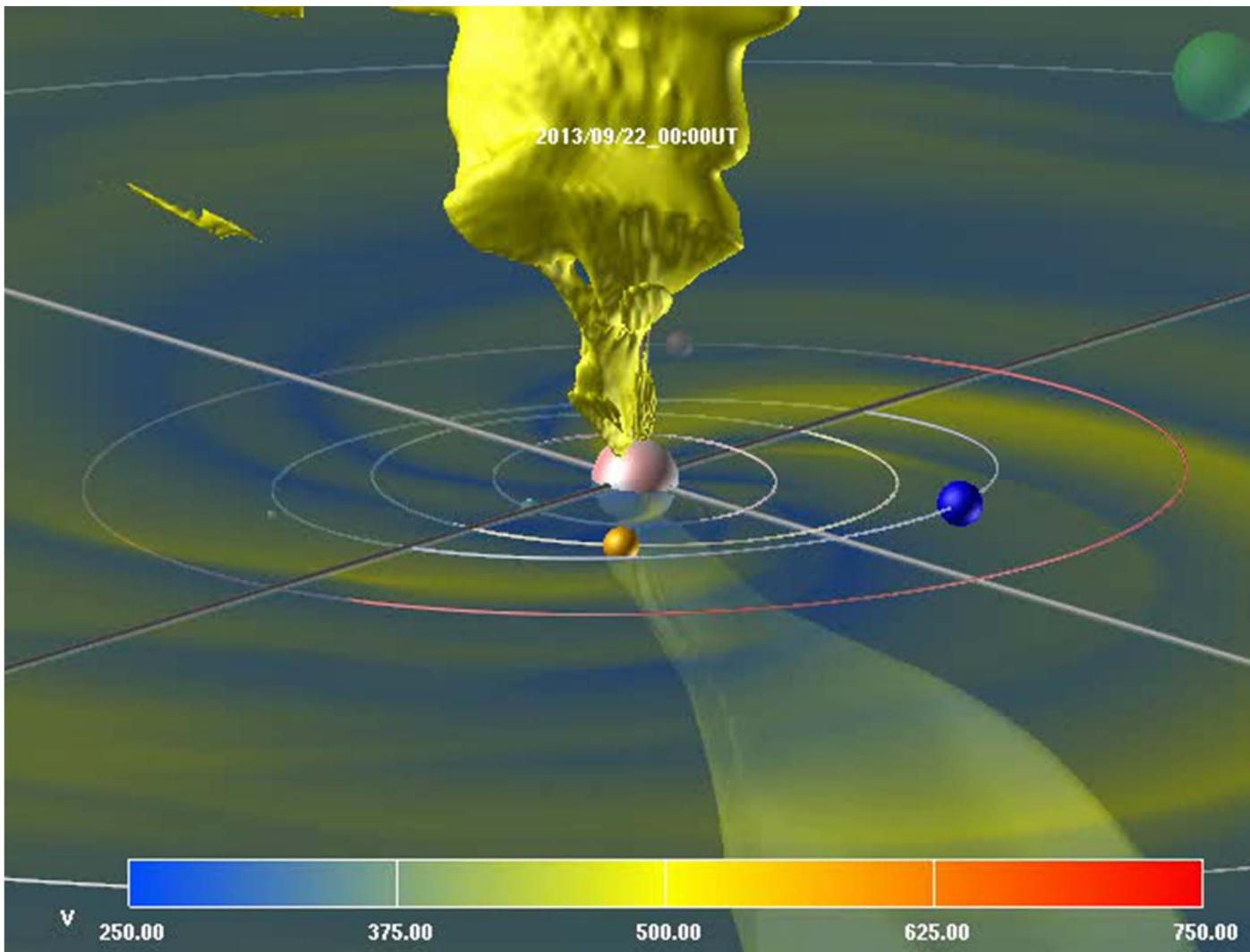
⇒ A time series of solar wind maps for the inner boundary condition of MHD simulation



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Solar wind in 2013~2014



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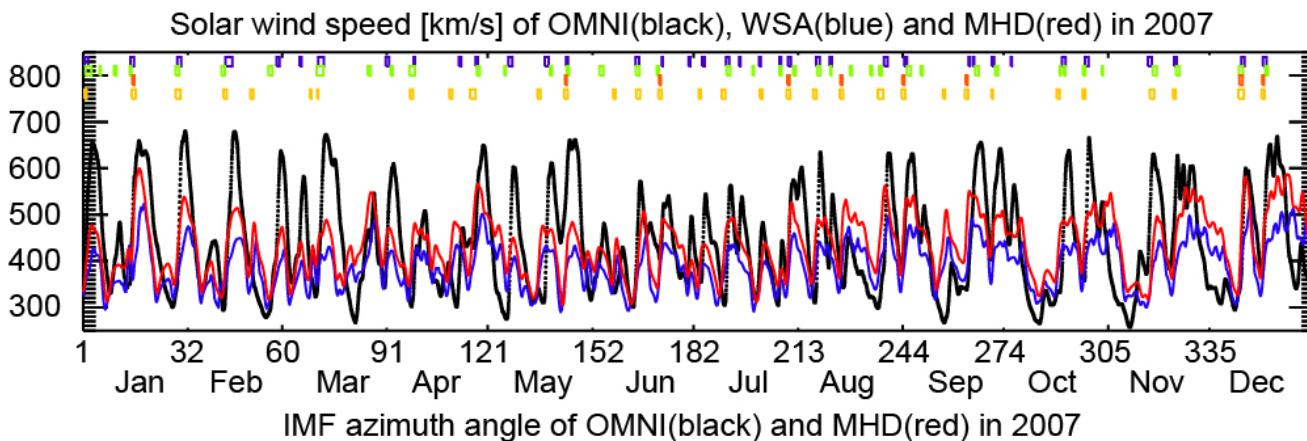
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blue: Earth, green: Jupiter, red: Mars,
orange: Venus, light blue: Mercury

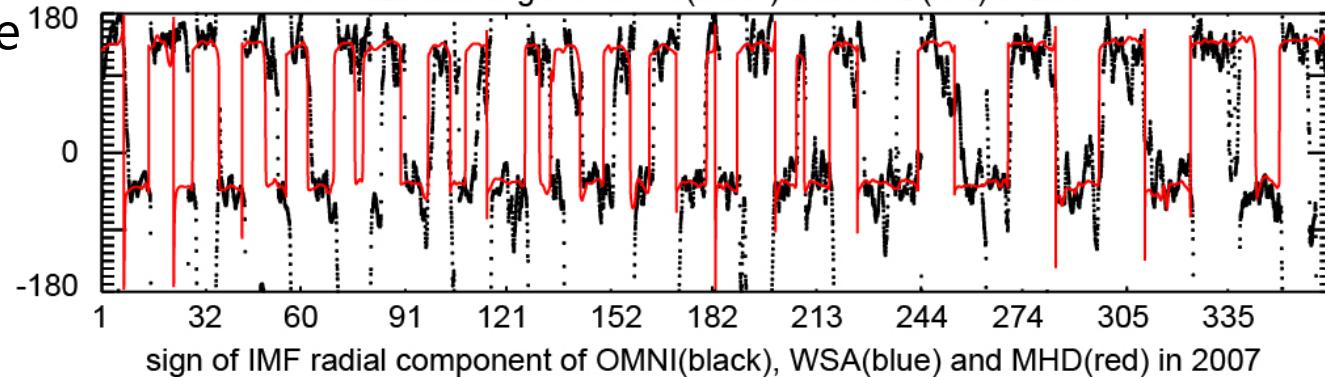
Solar wind in 2007 at Earth position

Velocity

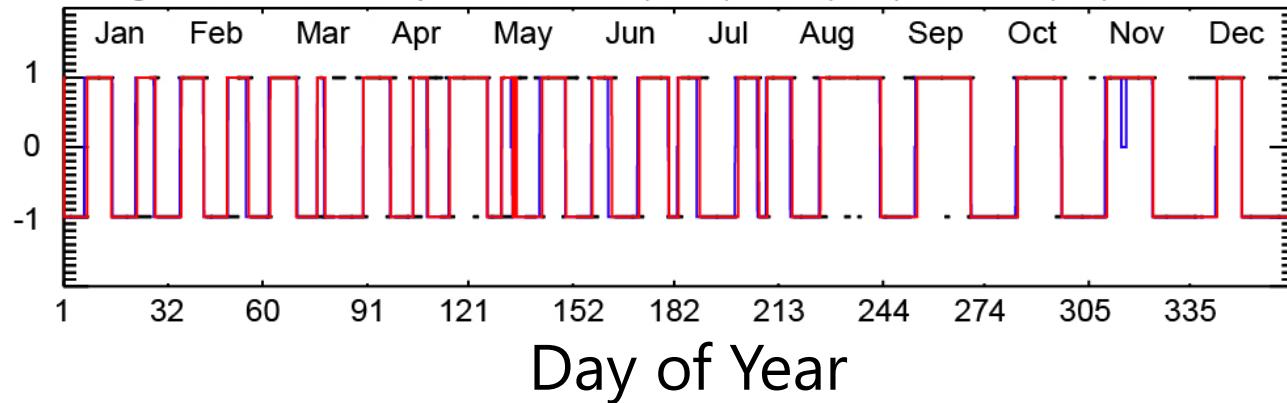
in situ measurement
MHD simulation
kinematic model



Azimuth angle
of IMF



Sign of IMF



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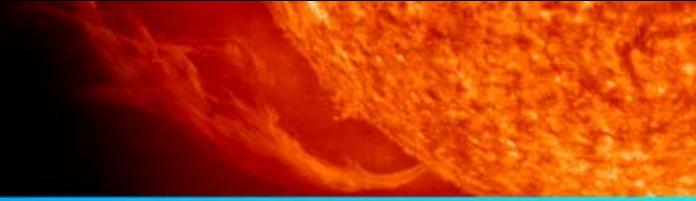
Automated forecast system (SUSANOO)

<http://st4a.stelab.nagoya-u.ac.jp/susanoo/index.html>



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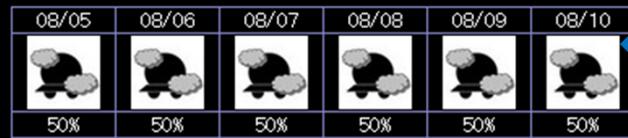
- Top (Solar wind at Earth)
- Solar wind at Mercury
- Solar wind at Venus
- Solar wind at Mars
- Solar wind at Jupiter

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Notes

Weekly Forecast of Radiation Belt

2015/08/05 0000 UT Ver1.0

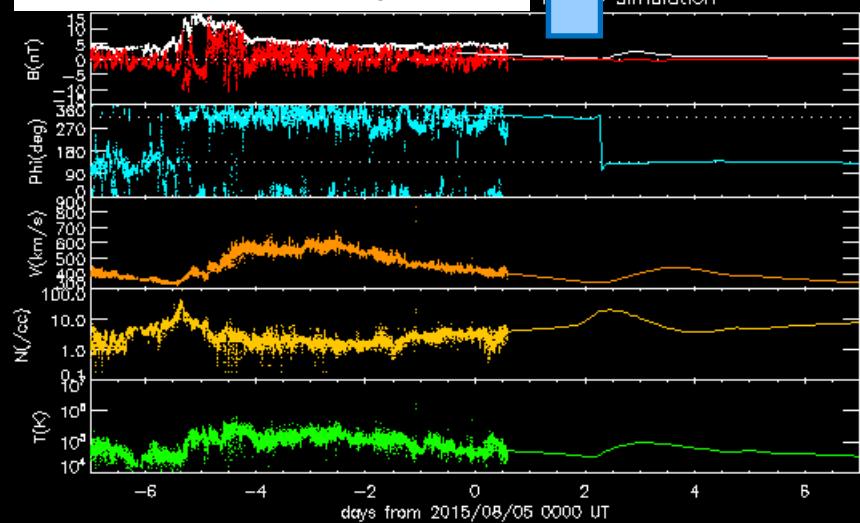
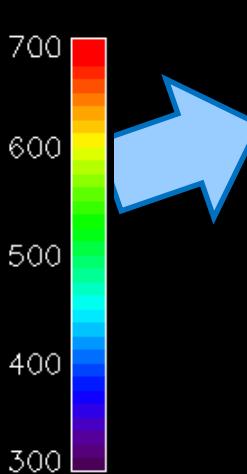
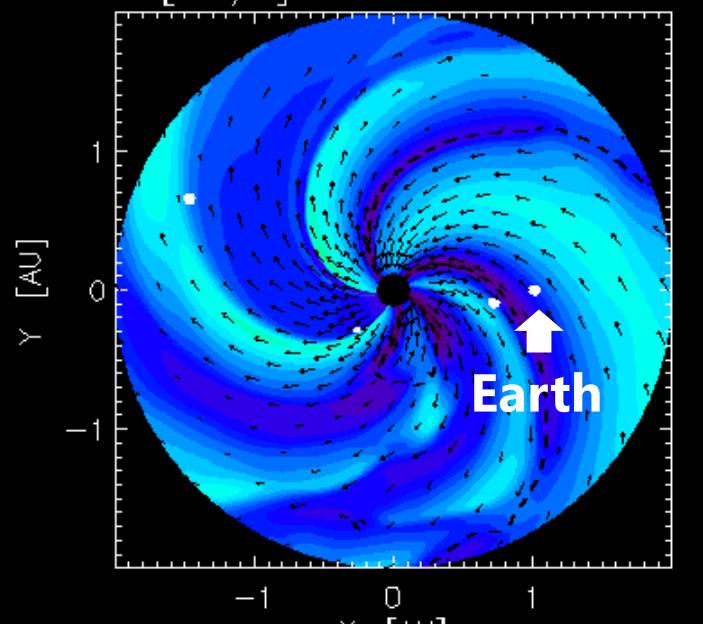


This table shows the maximum value of >2 MeV electron flux.

Radiation belt flux time profile

Solar wind time profile

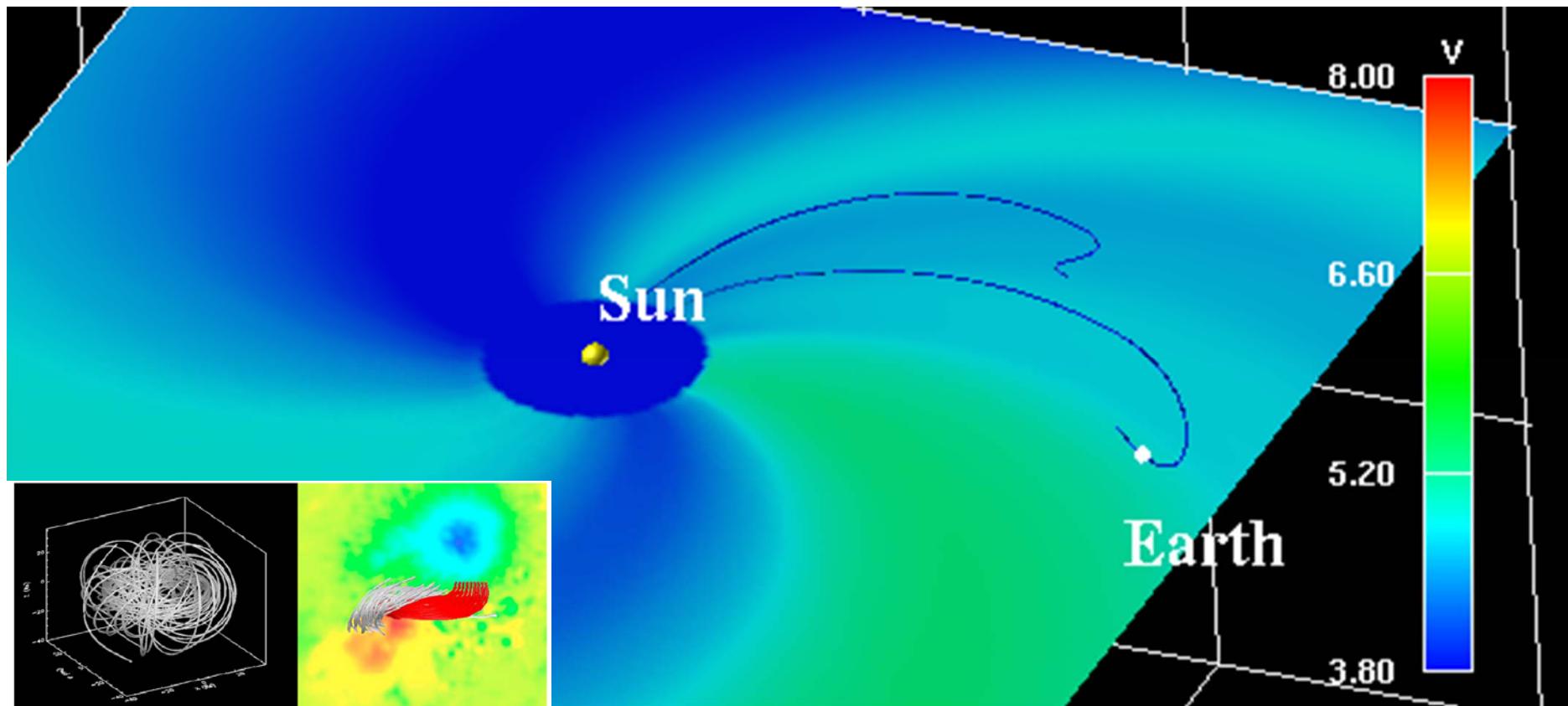
V_r [km/s] 2015.08.06 00:02UT



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CME model with internal magnetic flux rope



- Kataoka+ (2009) proposed a model to inject a **CME containing a twisted magnetic flux rope** into 3D solar wind.
- We modified the model to specified the parameters on the basis of solar observations and combined to SUSANOO-SW.

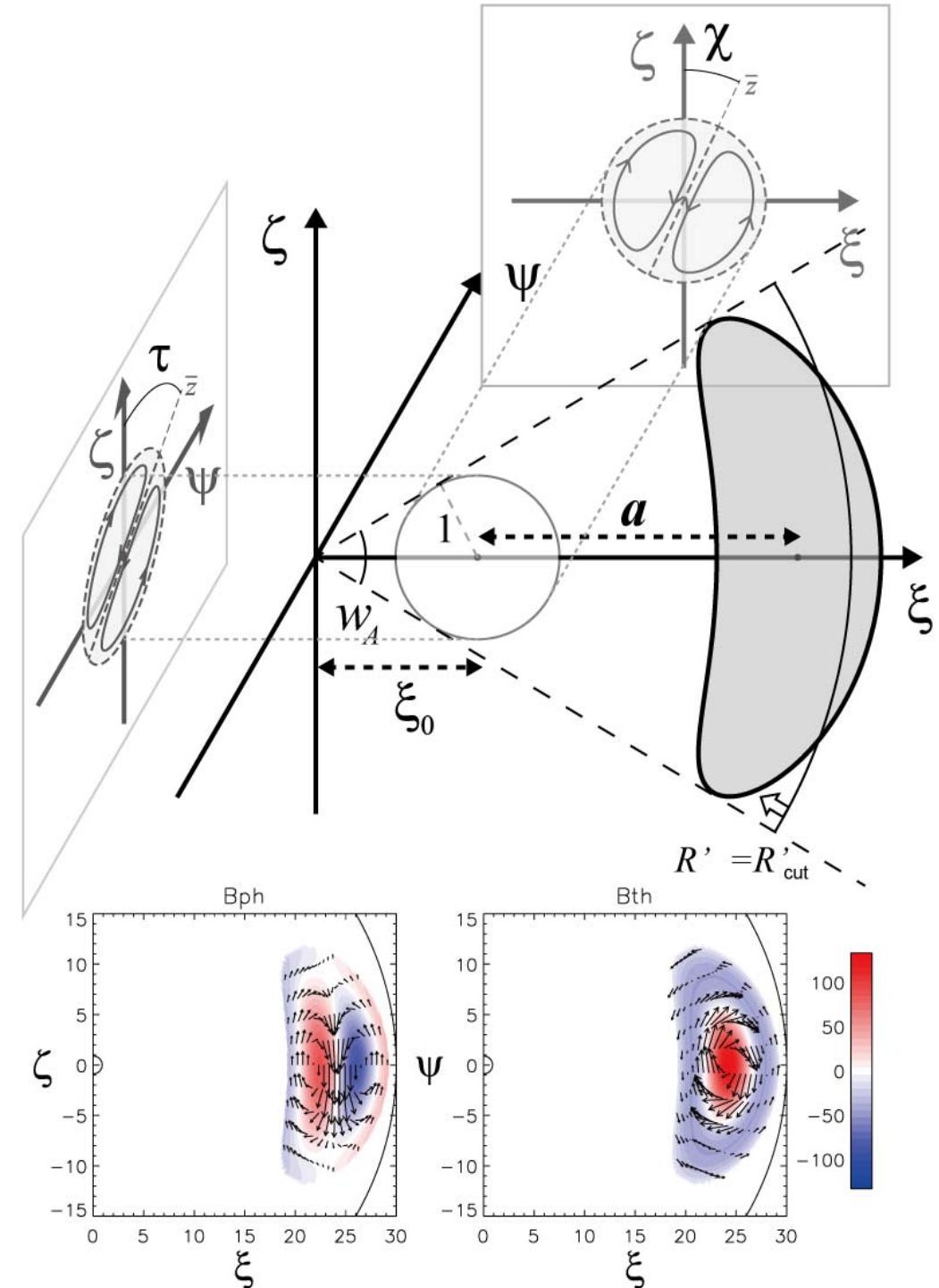
Flux rope model

A pancake shape of a CME
(Riley & Crooker 2004, Savani et al. 2011)

This model has 10 parameters

- The temporal and spatial positions 3
- Velocity 1
- Shape of CME 2
- Magnetic structure (strength, chirality, direction of the spheromak) 4

(Shiota & Kataoka,
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Parameters of CME model

Symbols	Explanation	Default value	
• t_{onset}	Onset time of CME	from LASCO CME catalog	observation
• V_{CME}	Propagation speed of CME	from LASCO CME catalog	
• λ_s	Carrington latitude of CME source region	from the flare list in NGDC	
• ϕ_s	Carrington longitude of CME source region	from the flare list in NGDC	
• τ	Tilt angle of spheromak	± 90 degree with Hale-Nicholson law	assume
• χ	Inclination angle of spheromak	0 degree	
• c_1	Chirality of Helicity in spheromak	1, set -1 if opposite to Bothmer-Schwenn rule	assume
• Φ_{mag}	Magnetic flux within CME	proportional to flare class	
• w_A	Angular width of CME	60 degree	
• w_r	Radial width of CME	2 Rs	
			Rest: Obs.+assume

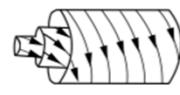
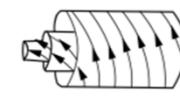
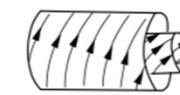


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Helicity of Magnetic clouds (MCs)

North
2n cycle
South
South
2n+1 cycle
North

MC Type	Magnetic helicity	Variation of magnetic field vector	Direction of magnetic field on flux tube axis	Rotation of magnetic field vector in Bz - By -plane (Bx - By' -plane)	
Number of MCs during 1974–1981					
SEN	Left-handed	 17	South ($-Bz$) → north ($+Bz$)	East ($+By$)	
SWN	Right-handed	 17	South ($-Bz$) → north ($+Bz$)	West ($-By$)	
NES	Right-handed	 6	North ($+Bz$) → south ($-Bz$)	East ($+By$)	
NWS	Left-handed	 6	North ($+Bz$) → south ($-Bz$)	West ($-By$)	
Orientations for high inclinations to the ecliptic SEN, NWS, SWN, NES		East ($+By$) → west ($-By$) West ($-By$) → east ($+By$)	North ($+Bz$) → south ($-Bz$) South ($-Bz$) → north ($+Bz$)	Rotations in By - Bz - $(By'$ - Bx' -) plane	

(Bothmer & Schwenn 1998)

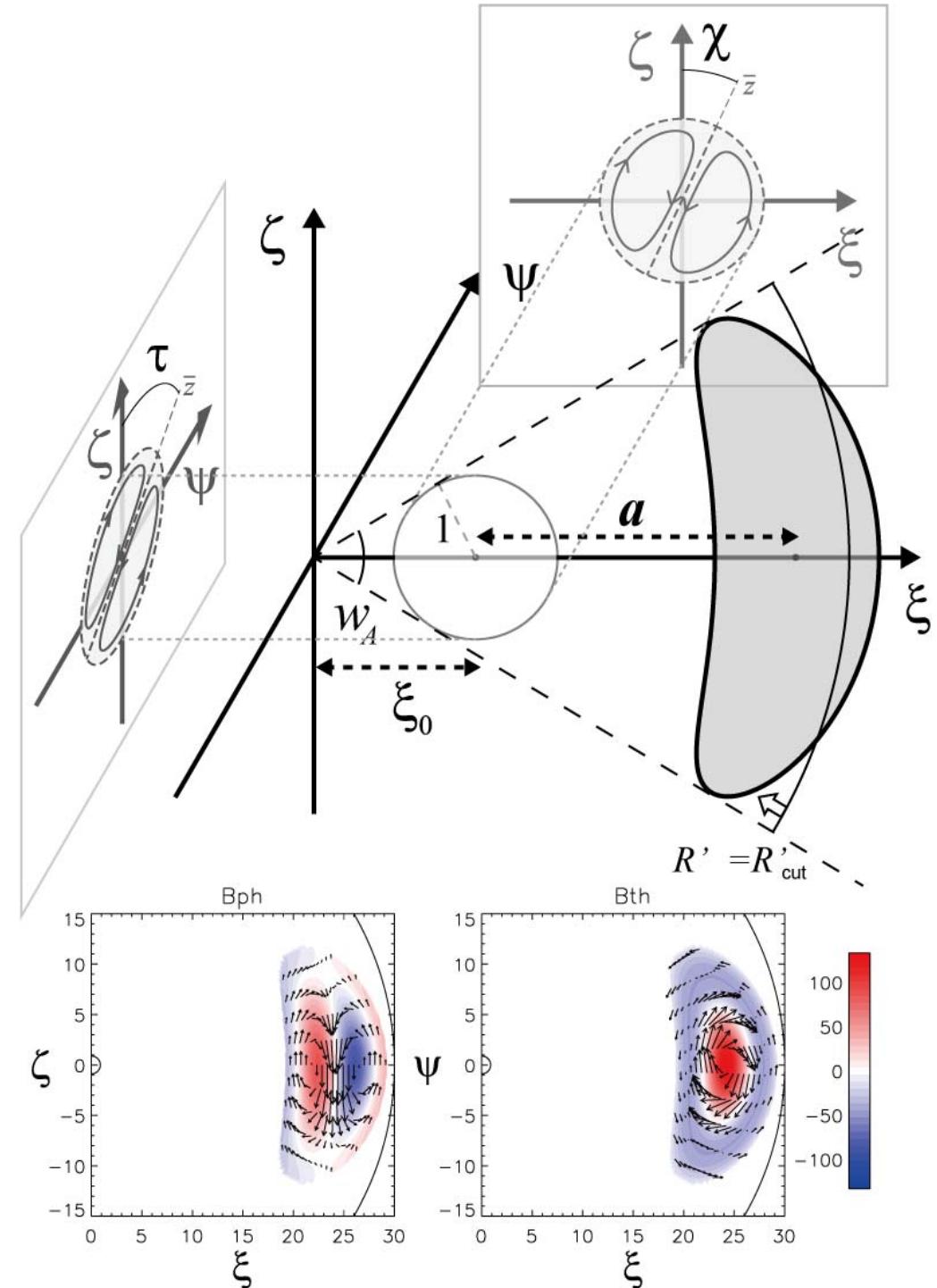
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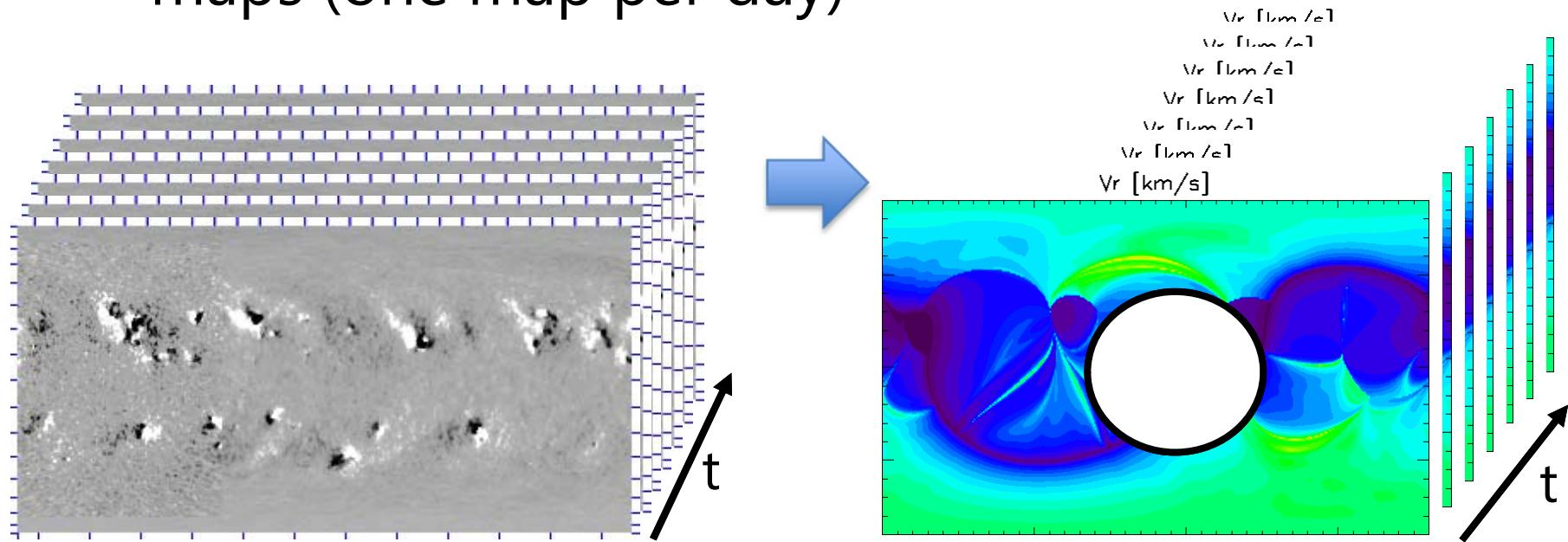


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⇒ A time series of solar wind maps for the
inner boundary condition of MHD simulation
Information of CMEs are superposed on these
boundary conditions



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Capability of SUSANOO-CME

- Formation and eruption of flux ropes
- Interaction with ambient field
- Interaction between successive CMEs

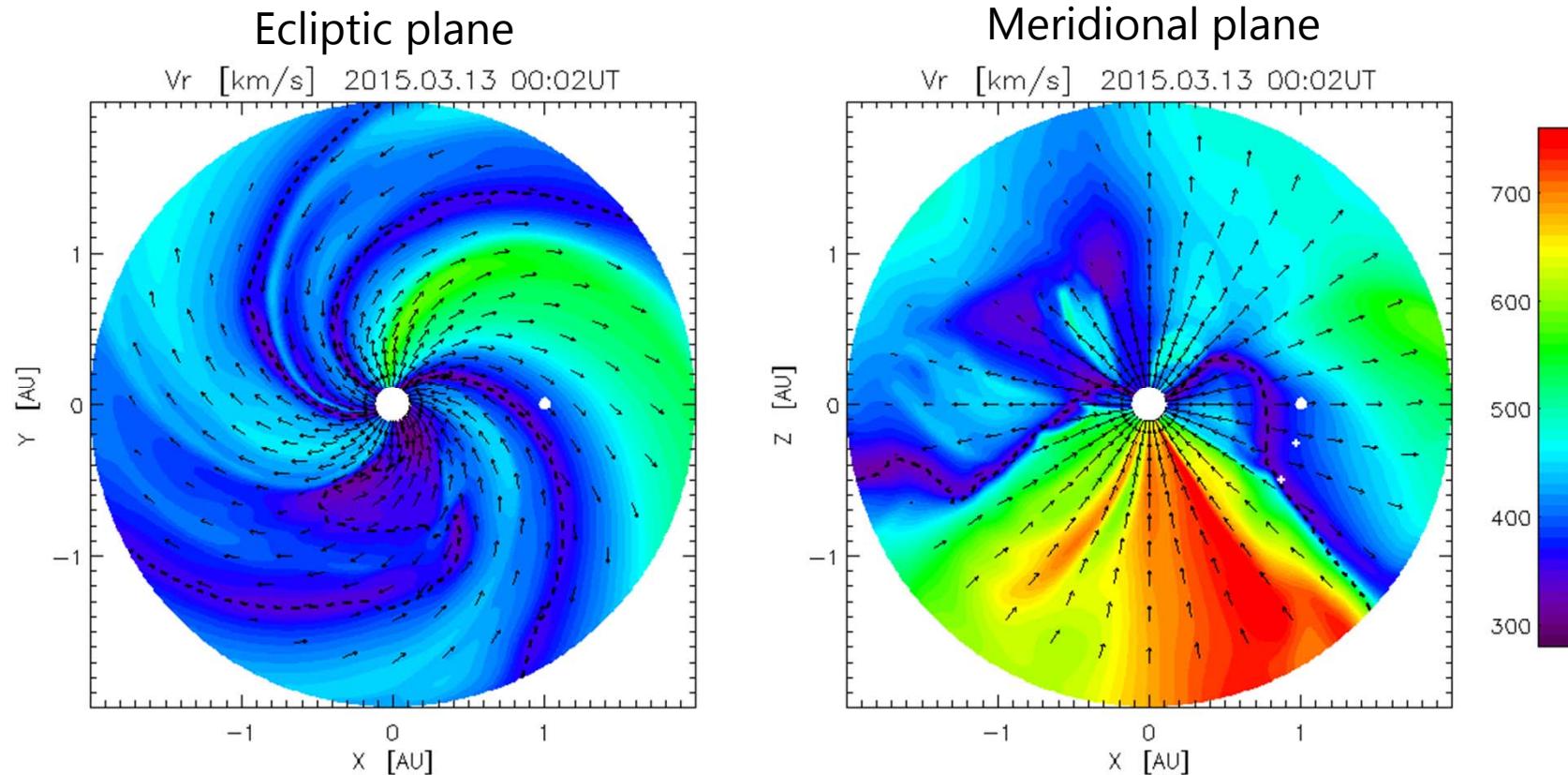
} parameters
in CME model

Inner boundary of the MHD simulation $r=30R_{\text{sun}}$

- Propagation in the interplanetary space
 - Interaction with ambient solar wind
 - Interaction between successive CMEs

} simulate

Application to the St. Patrick day event



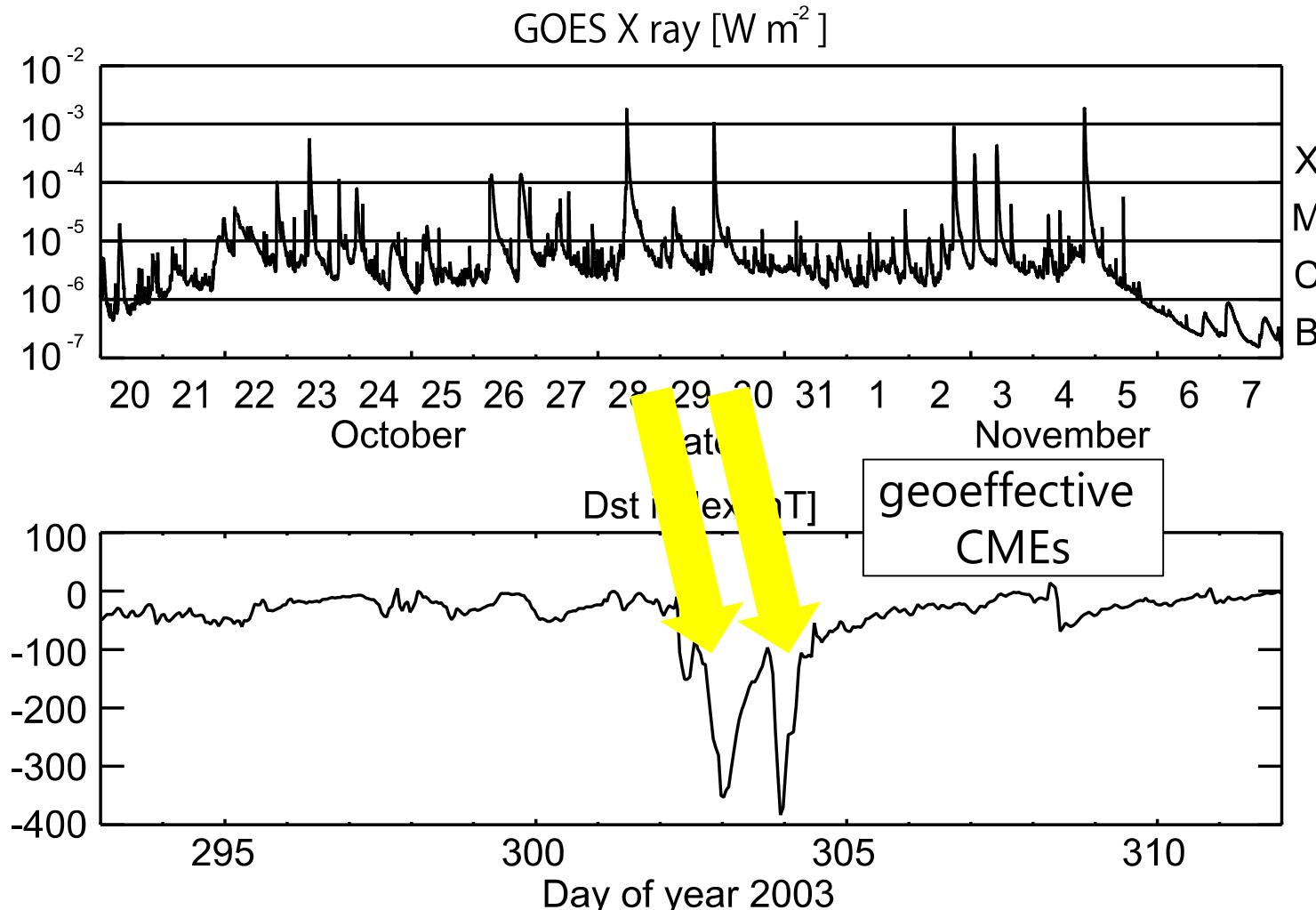
"Pileup accident hypothesis of magnetic storm on 17 March 2015"

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flares-CMEs in October-November 2003 (the Halloween events).

- Many large solar flares occurred (ex. NOAA 10486)

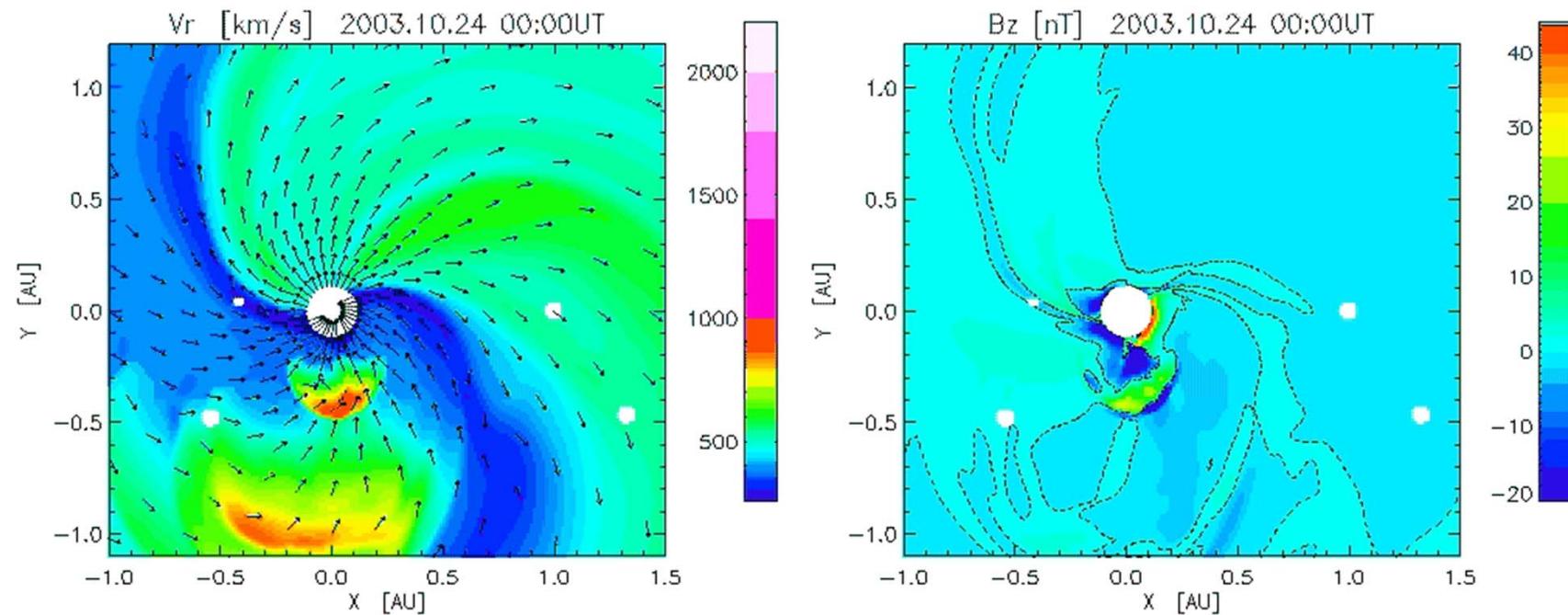


Numerical simulation of 2003 Oct-Nov

#		t_{onset}	V_{CME}	λ_s	ϕ_s	τ	χ	c_1	Φ_{mag}	w_A	w_r	NOAA #	flare	
1	Oct	21	3:54	1500	3	-115	0	90	1	3.0E+20	60	2	back	—
2	Oct	22	3:54	1160	3	-102	0	-90	-1	3.0E+20	60	2	10486	M3.7
3	Oct	22	20:06	1080	3	-95	0	-90	-1	1.0E+21	60	2	10486	M9.9
4	Oct	23	8:54	1400	3	-88	0	-90	-1	1.0E+21	60	2	10486	X5.4
5	Oct	23	20:06	1130	-17	-84	0	-90	-1	1.0E+21	60	2	10486	X1.1
6	Oct	24	2:54	1050	-19	-72	0	-90	-1	3.0E+20	60	2	10486	M7.6
7	Oct	24	5:30	1230	-24	-74	0	-90	-1	3.0E+20	30	2	10486	M4.2
8	Oct	26	6:54	1370	-15	-44	0	-90	-1	1.0E+21	60	2	10486	X1.2
9	Oct	26	17:54	1540	1	38	0	90	1	2.0E+21	60	2	10484	X1.2
10	Oct	27	8:30	1050	0	45	0	90	1	3.0E+20	60	2	10484	M2.7
11	Oct	28	11:30	2460	-16	-13	0	-90	-1	6.0E+21	60	2	10486	X17.2
12	Oct	29	20:54	2030	-16	2	0	-90	-1	3.0E+21	60	2	10486	X10.0
13	Oct	31	4:42	2136	8	30	0	90	1	3.0E+20	30	2	quiet	M2.0
14	Nov	2	9:30	2040	-16	135	0	90	1	1.0E+21	60	2	back	—
15	Nov	2	17:30	2600	-14	56	0	-90	-1	2.0E+21	60	2	10486	X8.3
16	Nov	3	1:59	840	10	77	0	90	1	1.0E+21	30	2	10488	X2.7
17	Nov	3	10:06	1400	8	77	0	90	1	1.0E+21	60	2	10488	X3.4
18	Nov	4	12:06	1210	5	-150	0	90	1	1.0E+21	60	2	back	—
19	Nov	4	19:54	2660	-19	83	0	-90	-1	4.0E+21	60	2	10486	X28.0
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21	Nov	7	15:54	2270	10	150	0	90	1	2.0E+21	60	2	back	—
22	Nov	9	12:30	2080	-10	-110	0	-90	-1	2.0E+21	60	2	back	—

Numerical results

Velocity and Bz (GSE) on the ecliptic plane



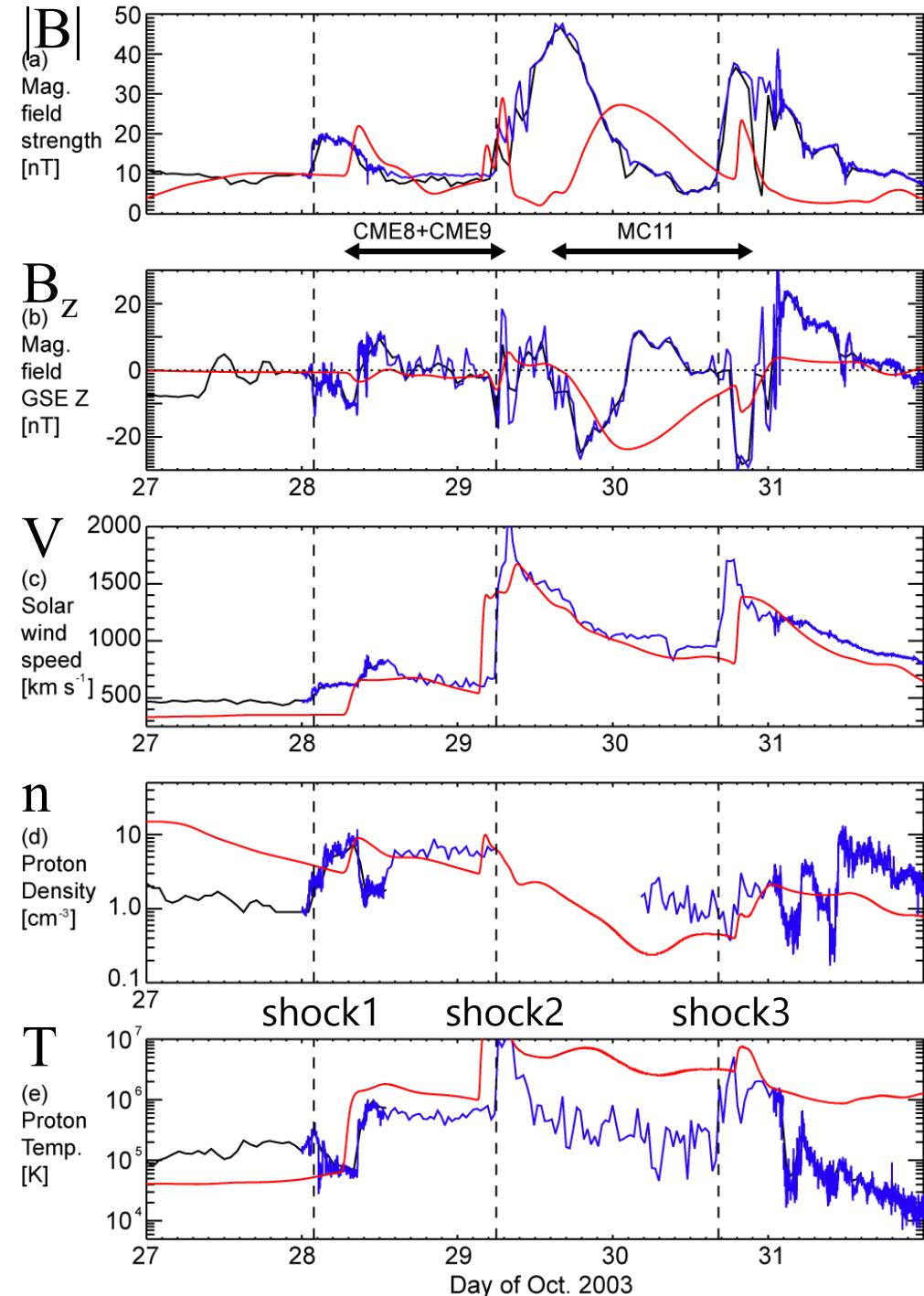
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Comparison with in situ measurement

MHD
OMNI
ACE (Skoug + 2004)

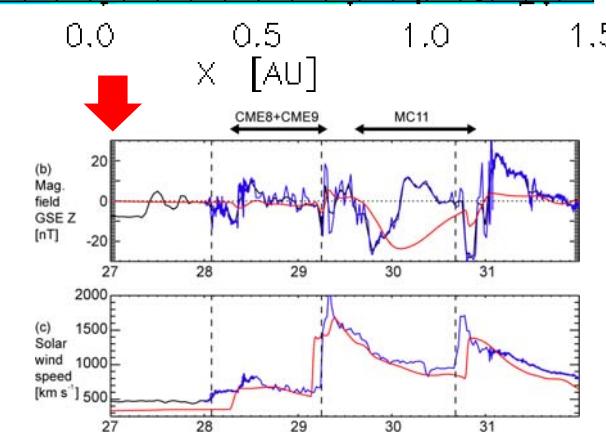
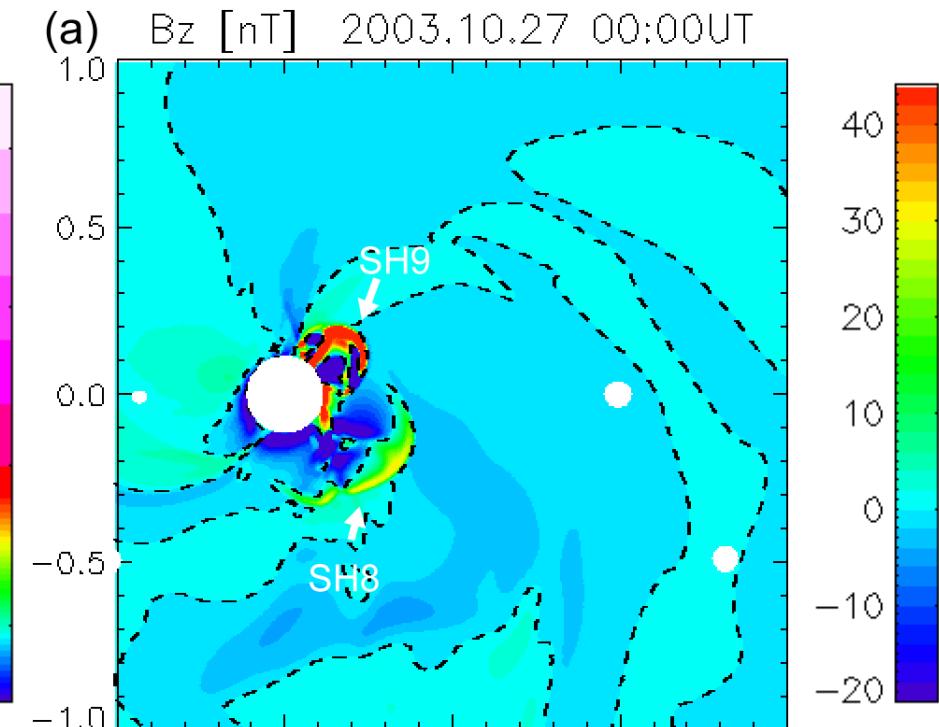
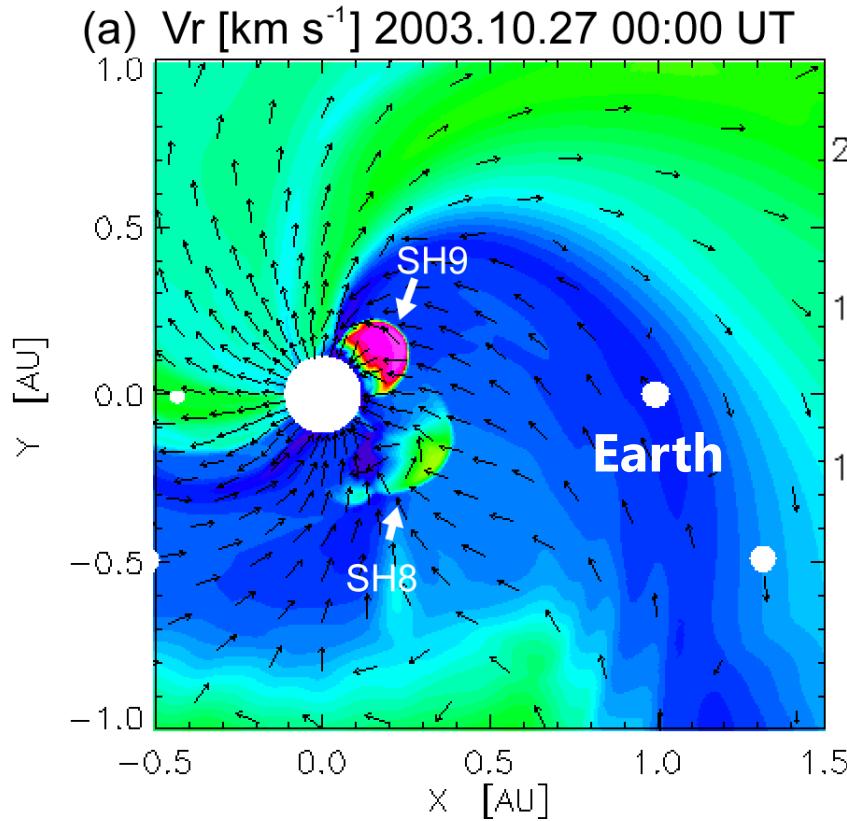
- Solar wind profile at the Earth position is compared with in situ measurements.
- The results reproduce well the profiles of **solar wind speed** and B_z strength following shock 2.



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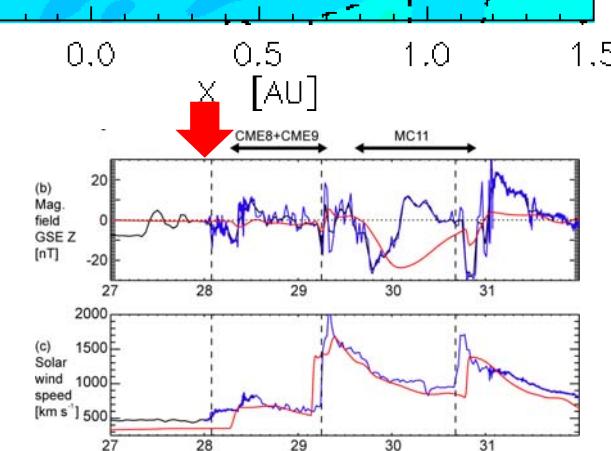
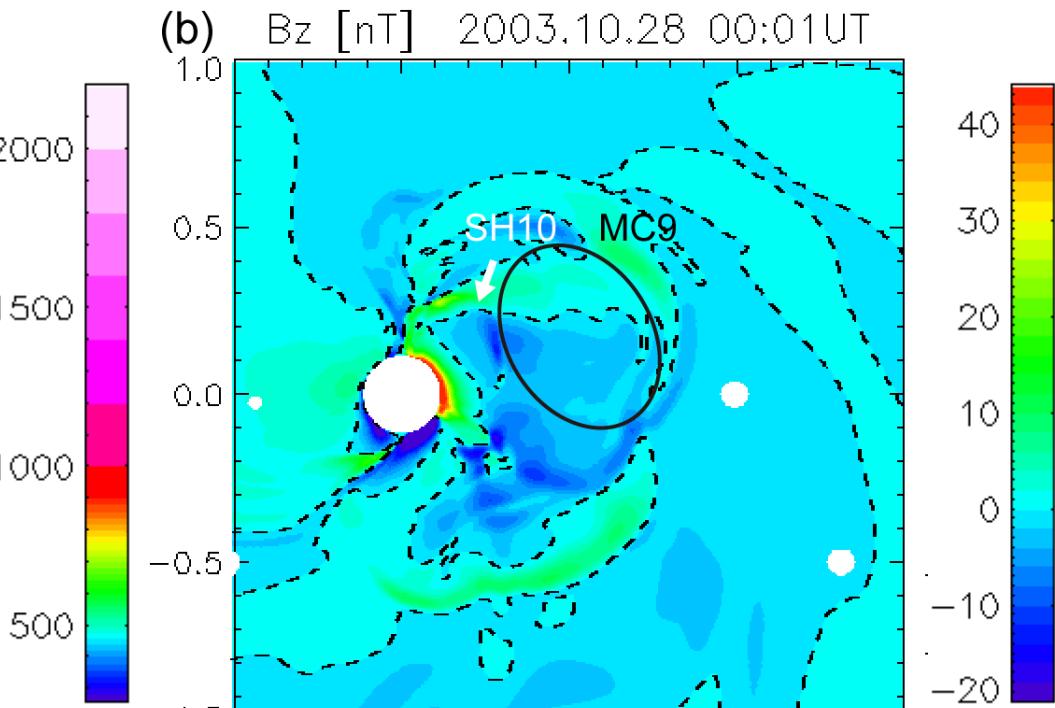
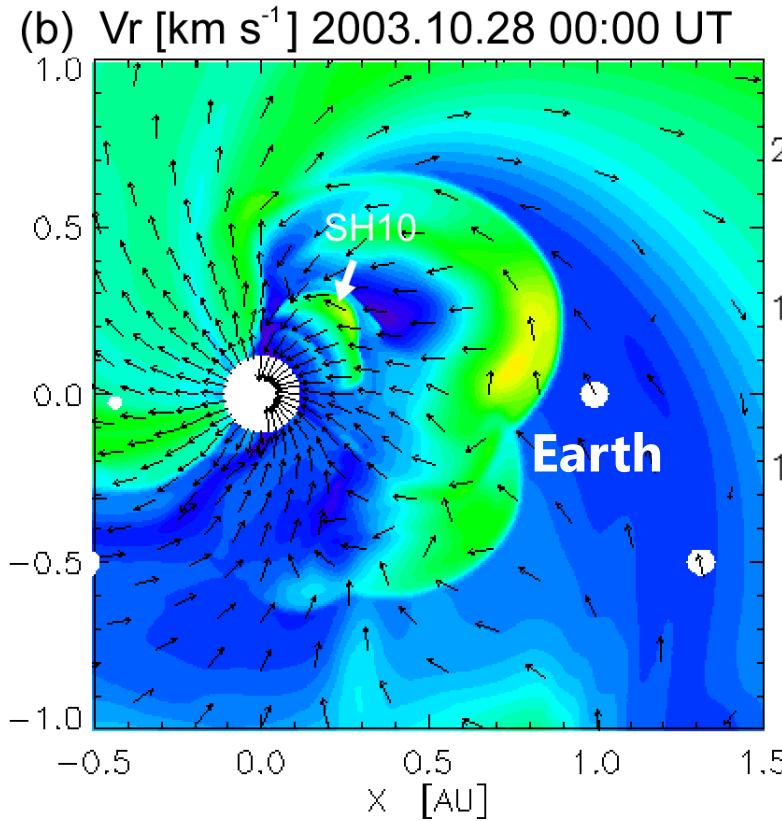
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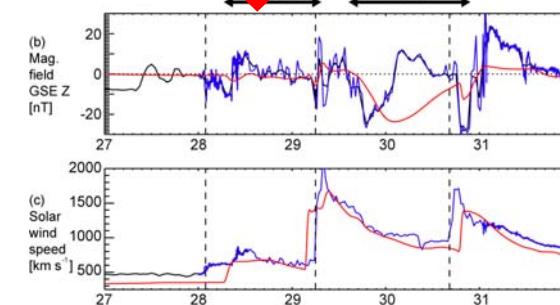
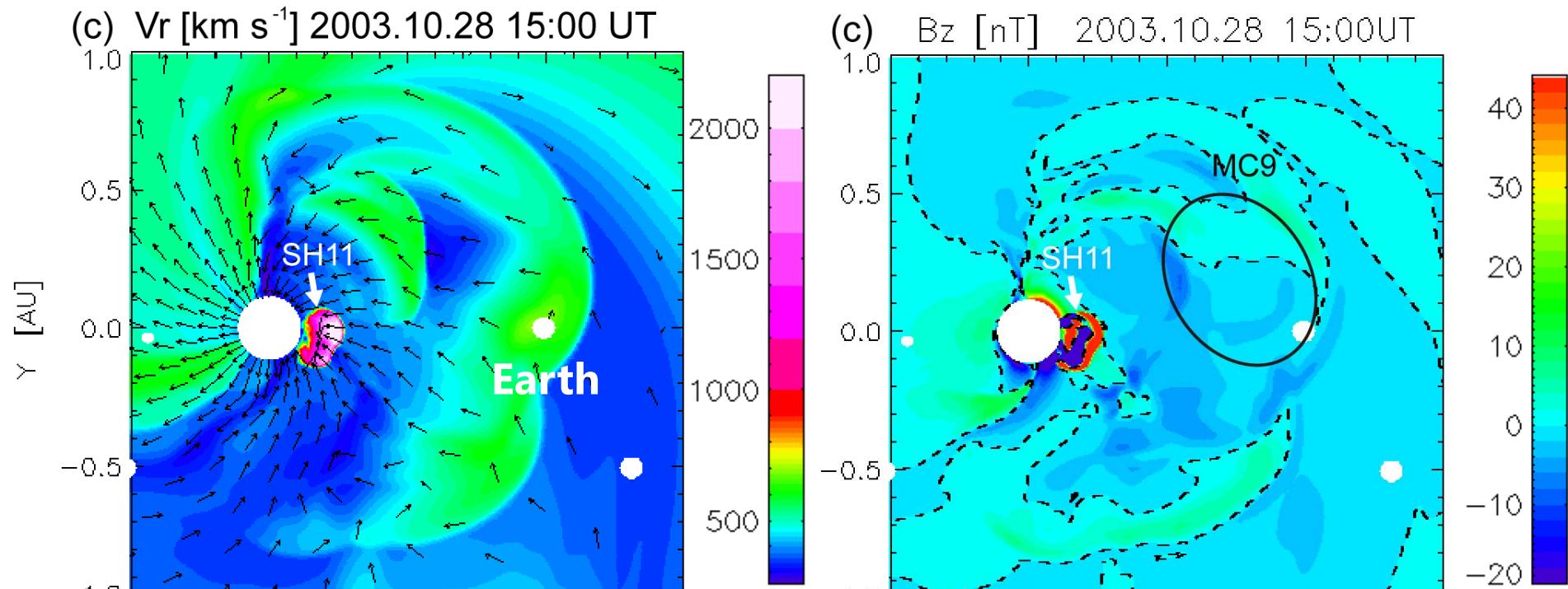
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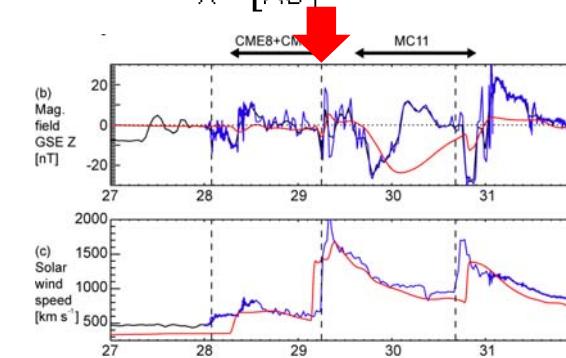
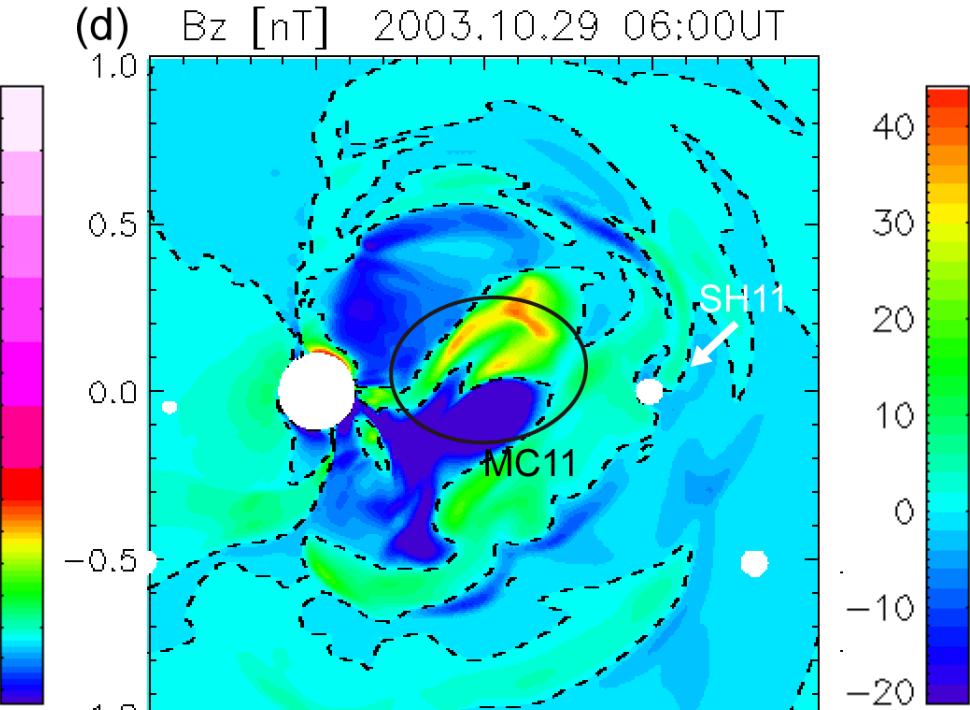
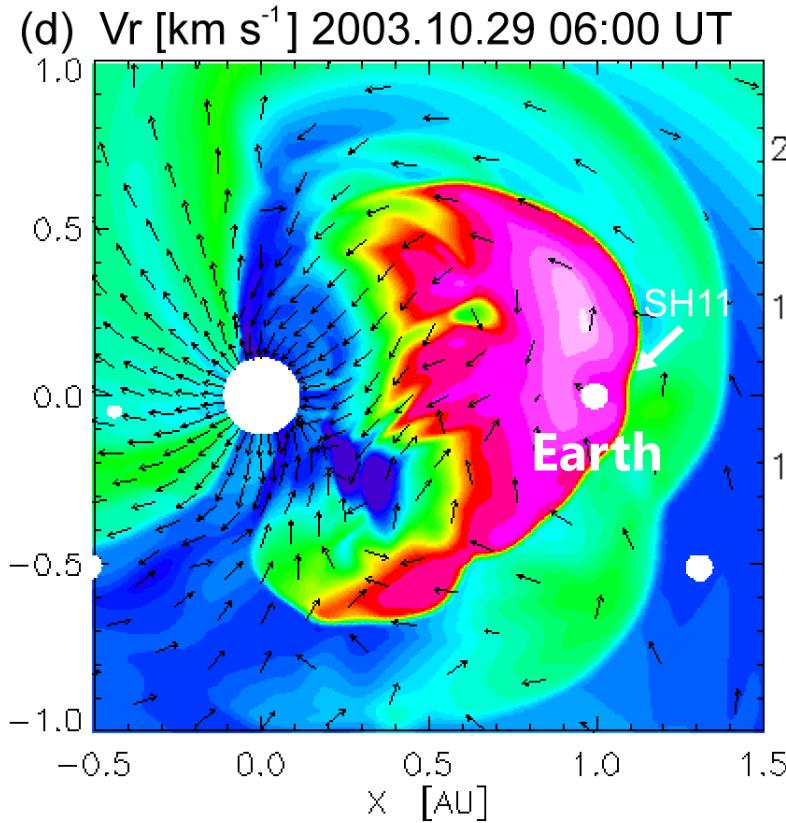
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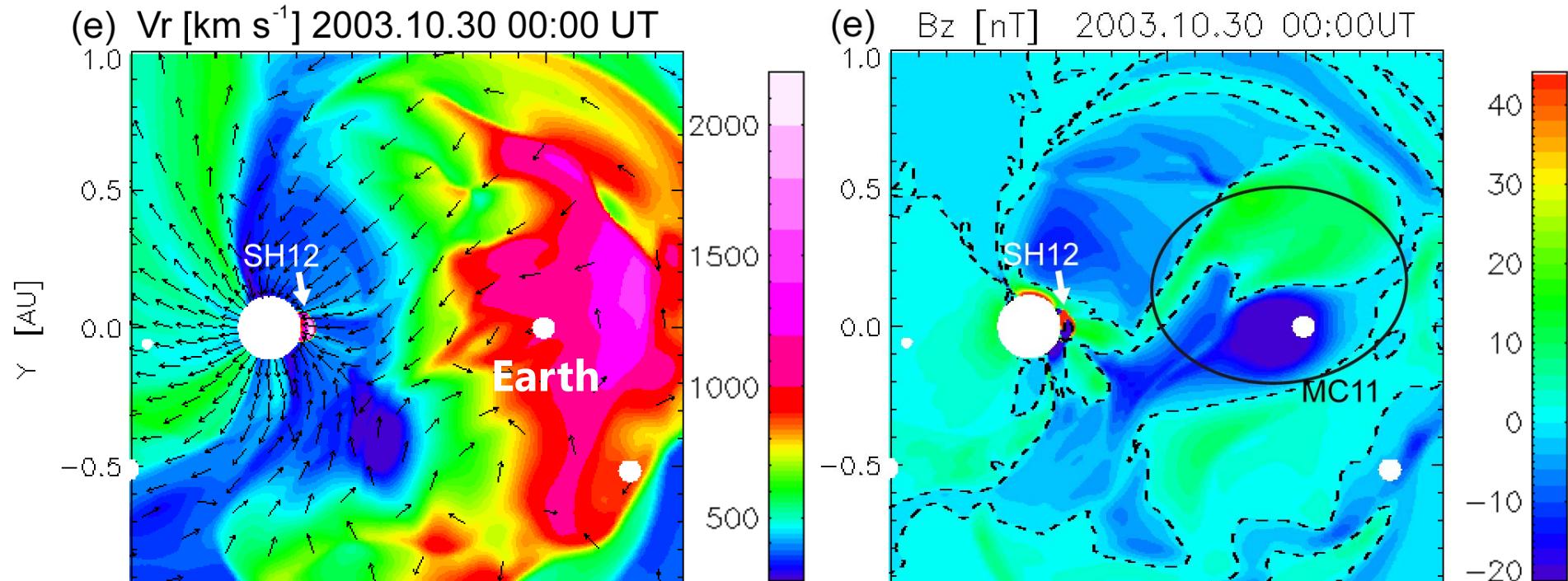
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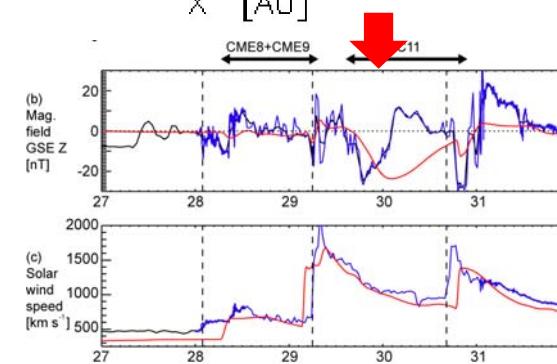
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- CME11 that is launched $\lambda_S = -13$ propagates westward.

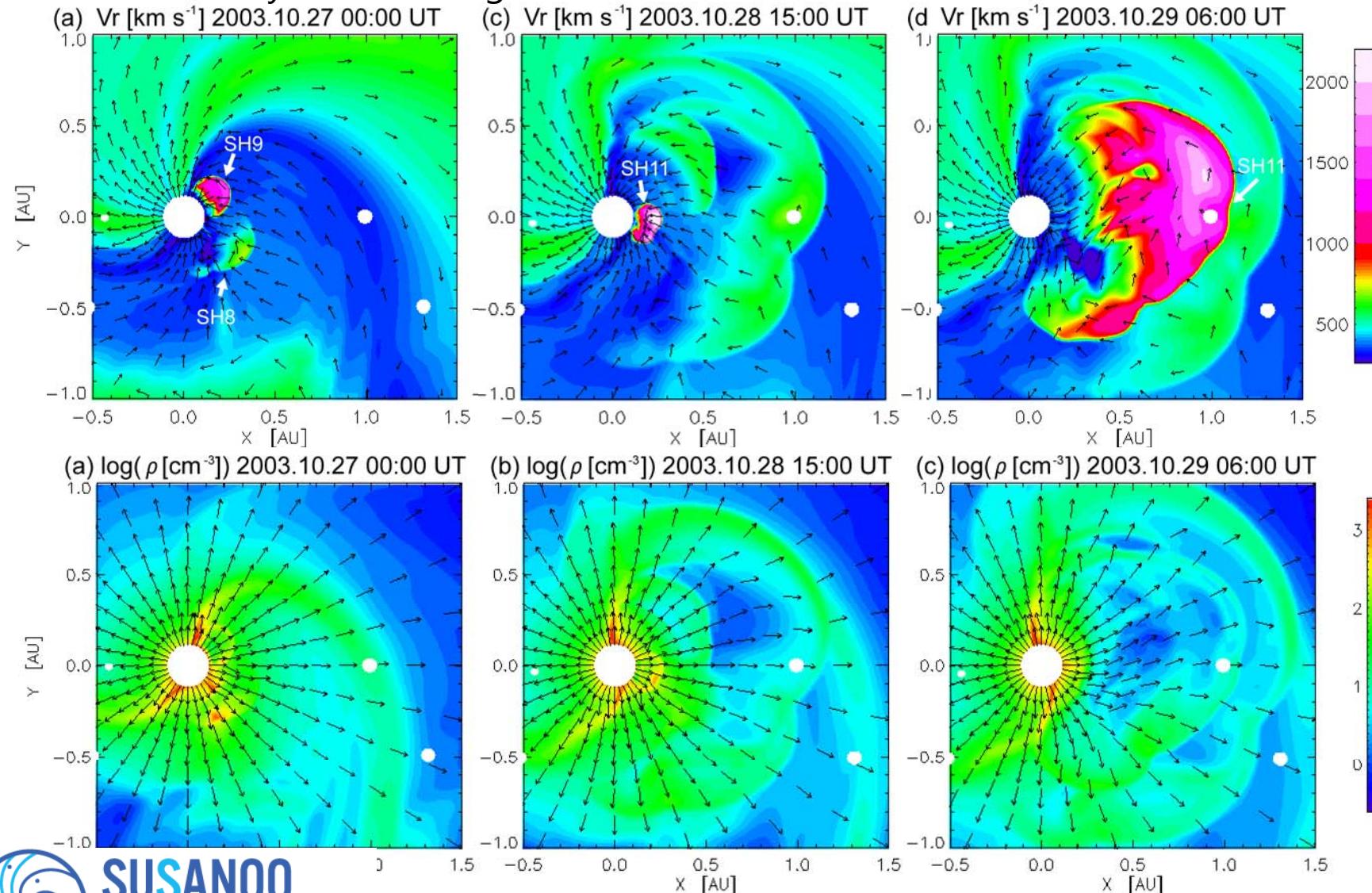


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CME-CME Interaction

Color: velocity, arrows: magnetic field



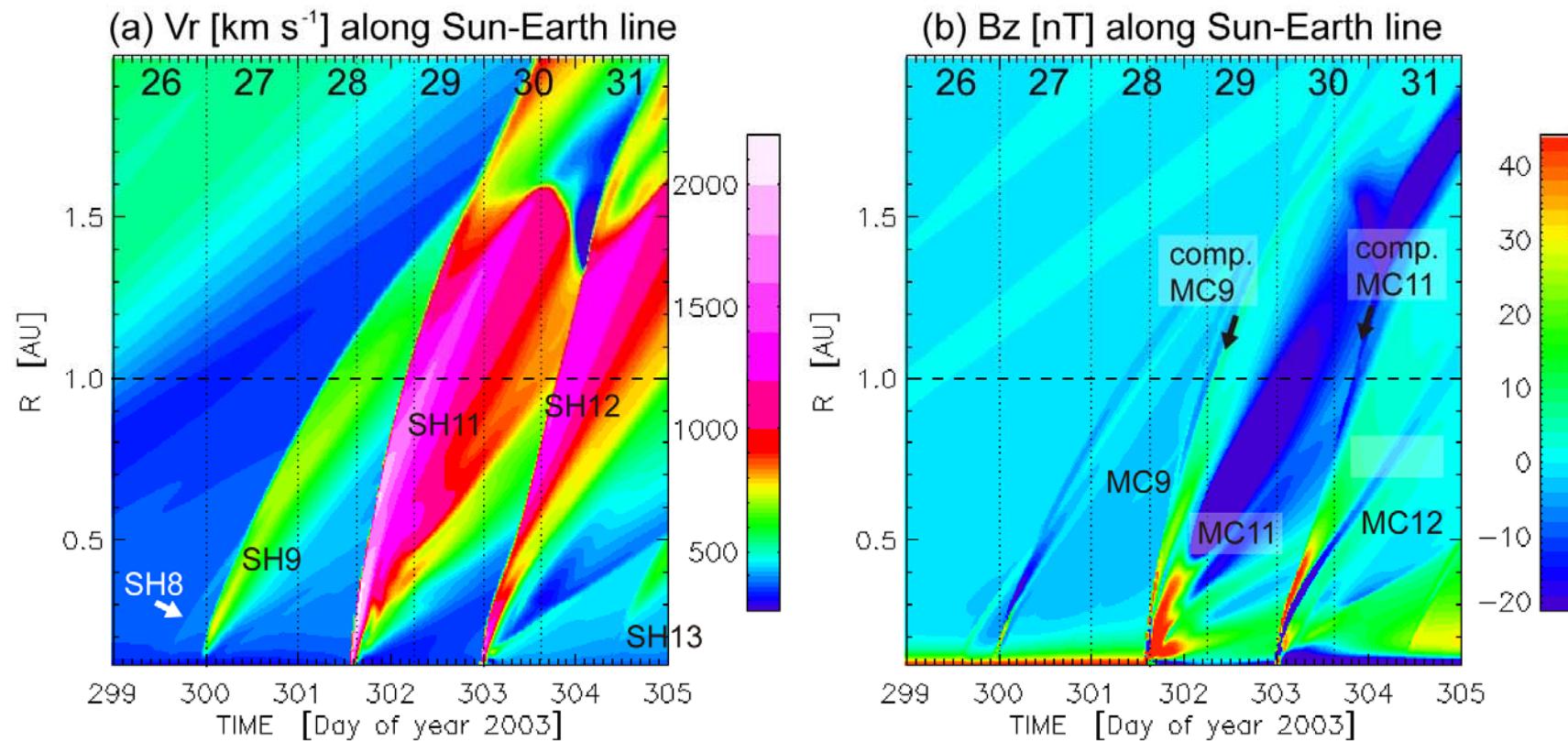
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Color: density, arrows: velocity

CME-CME Interaction

A preceding CME can be compressed by a following CME



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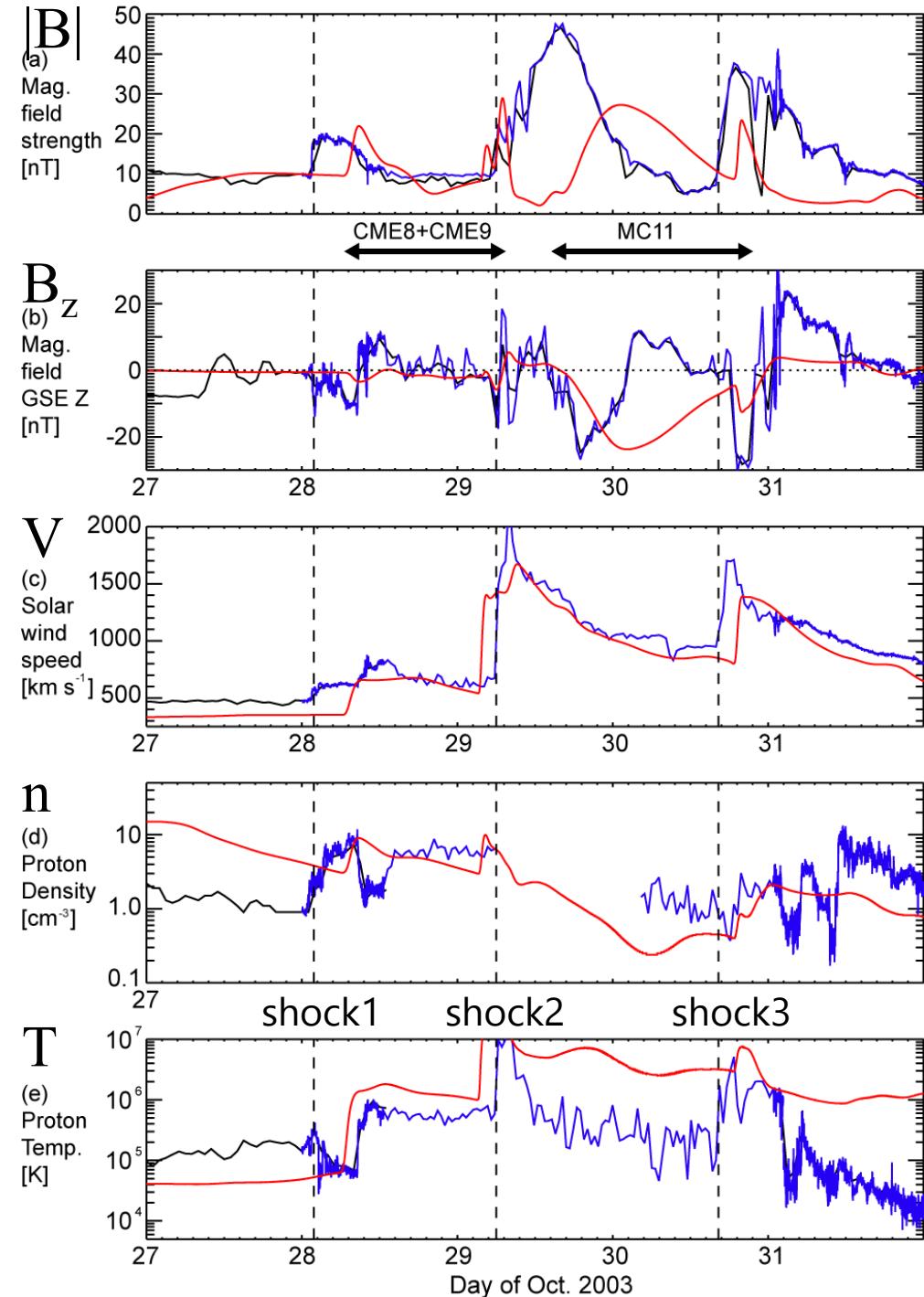
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Numerical simulation of 2003 Oct-Nov

#		t_{onset}	V_{CME}	λ_s	ϕ_s	τ	χ	c_1	Φ_{mag}	w_A	w_r	NOAA #	flare	
1	Oct	21	3:54	1500	3	-115	0	90	1	3.0E+20	60	2	back	—
2	Oct	22	3:54	1160	3	-102	0	-90	-1	3.0E+20	60	2	10486	M3.7
3	Oct	22	20:06	1080	3	-95	0	-90	-1	1.0E+21	60	2	10486	M9.9
4	Oct	23	8:54	1400	3	-88	0	-90	-1	1.0E+21	60	2	10486	X5.4
5	Oct	23	20:06	1130	-17	-84	0	-90	-1	1.0E+21	60	2	10486	X1.1
6	Oct	24	2:54	1050	-19	-72	0	-90	-1	3.0E+20	60	2	10486	M7.6
7	Oct	24	5:30	1230	-24	-74	0	-90	-1	3.0E+20	30	2	10486	M4.2
8	Oct	26	6:54	1370	-15	-44	0	-90	-1	1.0E+21	60	2	10486	X1.2
9	Oct	26	17:54	1540	1	38	0	90	1	2.0E+21	60	2	10484	X1.2
10	Oct	27	8:30	1050	0	45	0	90	1	3.0E+20	60	2	10484	M2.7
11	Oct	28	11:30	2460	-16	-13	0	-90	-1	6.0E+21	60	2	10486	X17.2
12	Oct	29	20:54	2030	-16	2	0	-90	-1	3.0E+21	60	2	10486	X10.0
13	Oct	31	4:42	2136	8	30	0	90	1	3.0E+20	30	2	quiet	M2.0
14	Nov	2	9:30	2040	-16	135	0	90	1	1.0E+21	60	2	back	—
15	Nov	2	17:30	2600	-14	56	0	-90	-1	2.0E+21	60	2	10486	X8.3
16	Nov	3	1:59	840	10	77	0	90	1	1.0E+21	30	2	10488	X2.7
17	Nov	3	10:06	1400	8	77	0	90	1	1.0E+21	60	2	10488	X3.4
18	Nov	4	12:06	1210	5	-150	0	90	1	1.0E+21	60	2	back	—
19	Nov	4	19:54	2660	-19	83	0	-90	-1	4.0E+21	60	2	10486	X28.0
20	Nov	6	17:30	1500	10	-150	0	90	1	1.0E+21	60	2	back	—
21	Nov	7	15:54	2270	10	150	0	90	1	2.0E+21	60	2	back	—
22	Nov	9	12:30	2080	-10	-110	0	-90	-1	2.0E+21	60	2	back	—

Comparison with in situ measurement

MHD
OMNI
ACE (Skoug + 2004)



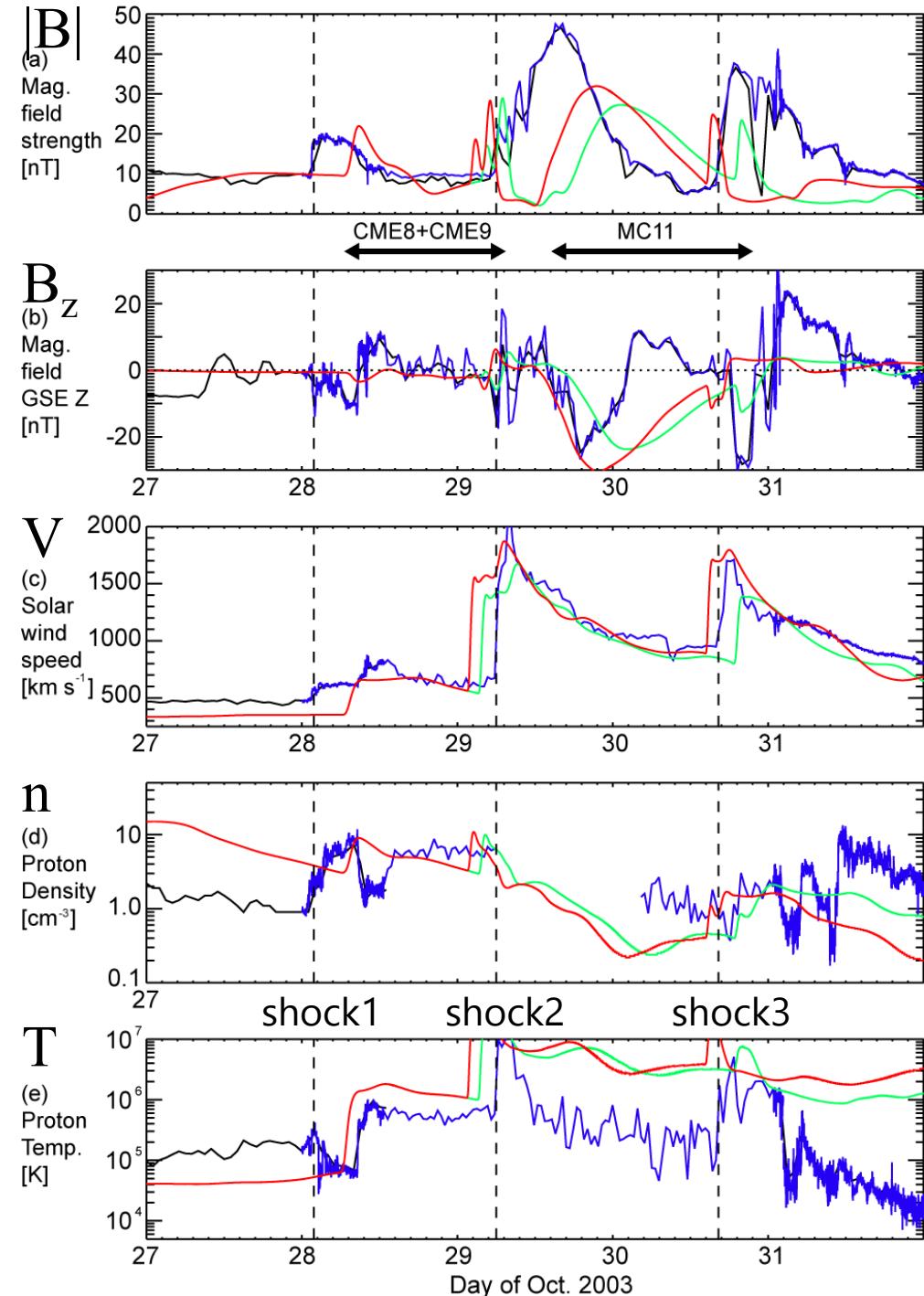
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Lager magnetic flux case

MHD MHD(original parameter)
OMNI
ACE (Skoug + 2004)

- Magnetic flux
 $6 \times 10^{21} \text{ Mx}$ (green)
 $\rightarrow 7 \times 10^{21} \text{ Mx}$ (red)
- Shock arrived earlier
- The following shock became faster



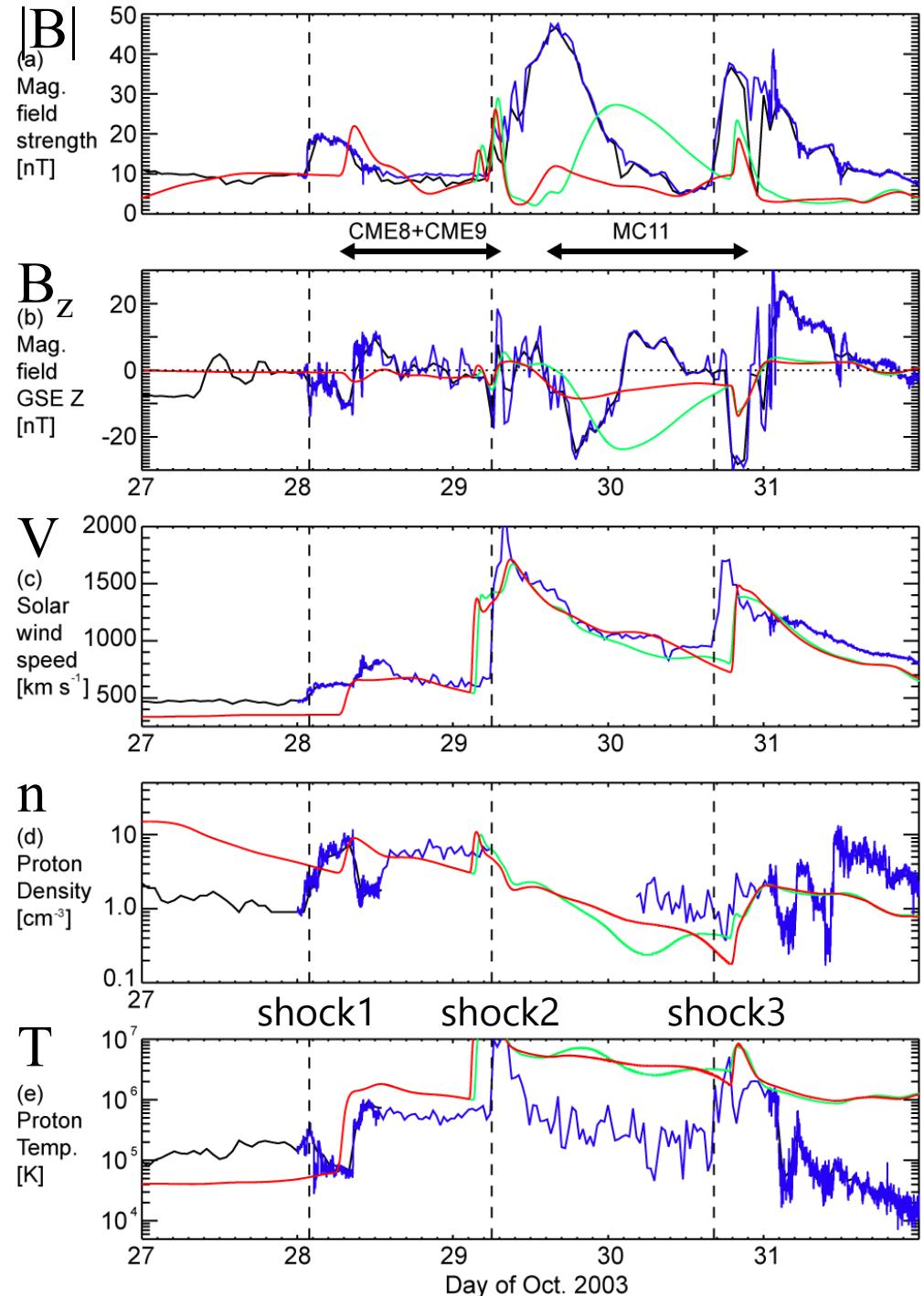
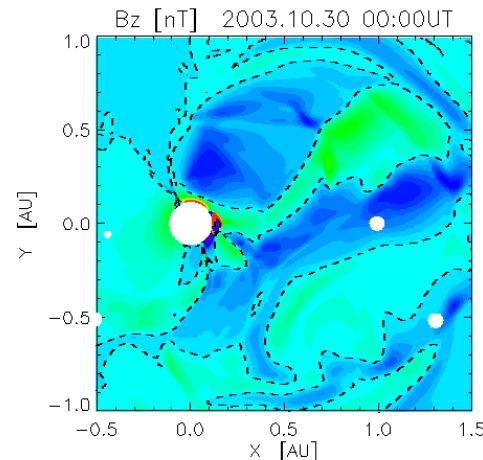
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Western source case

MHD MHD(original parameter)
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- Source longitude
 -13 (green) $\rightarrow -8$ (red)
- Core part of the flux rope
 did not pass through the Earth position.



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Discussion

- Our new model is capable of reproducing the SBz profile behind the shock of multiple CMEs, originating from the internal magnetic flux rope, omitting a simulation of the solar coronal region.

Advantage

- Fast computation => space weather forecast operation
- Capable of parametric studies
- dynamics and interaction of multiple CMEs during their propagation

Limitation

- No dynamics in the corona (simple magnetic field model)
- Quantitative optimization of the parameters is needed.
- Improvement of background solar wind is needed.

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【Objective 1】

【Objective 2】

To answer fundamental
questions of solar-terrestrial
environment:

- the onset of solar flares
- the mechanism of radiation belt dynamics
- The physical process whereby the sun affects climate

To build the base for next-generation space weather forecast system

- Concrete prediction of the impact on each industrial activity
- Assessment of severe space weather impact by Carrington-class events

Physics-based Modeling (flare, CME, mag&iono-sphere)

Network Observation (Hinode, ERG, ground-based obs.)

Summary

- Physical processes in CME evolution are summarized. A MHD simulation with realistic conditions is a powerful tool to understand them.
- We have developed an MHD model of interplanetary propagation of multiple CMEs with internal magnetic flux rope injected into solar wind MHD simulation. (SUSANOO-CME)
- We present a demonstration case: 2003 Oct. – Nov. The SUSANOO-CME reproduced well the in situ **solar wind speed profile and Bz profile of magnetic cloud** associated with the Halloween events.
- Furthermore, the numerical results provide much greater insight into the role of the magnetic field during CME propagation.

Thank you for your attention!