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Active Region Magnetic Fields II

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Outline

- Energy & helicity consideration
- Pre-eruption magnetic fields
- Many modes of eruption

Energy & Helicity Consideration

Magnetic Energy & Helicity

- Coronal time scale is short compared to photosphere: quasi-static

$$t_A = L/v_A \approx 30 \text{ Mm} / 300 \text{ km s}^{-1} = 100 \text{ s}$$

- Low plasma beta: force-free

$$(\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{B} = 0$$

- Energy accumulation, preferably in filament channel

$$E_f = \int \frac{B^2}{8\pi} dV - \int \frac{B_p^2}{8\pi} dV$$

- Helicity accumulation, preferably in filament channel (global variable)

$$H = \int \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} dV$$

Magnetic Energy & Helicity

- Helicity is gauge dependent

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{A} = \nabla \times (\mathbf{A} + \nabla\psi) = \mathbf{B}$$

- Relative helicity is gauge independent

$$H_R = \int (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}_p) \cdot (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B}_p) dV$$

- *Faraday's* Law (underdetermined from magnetic field)

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \times c\mathbf{E}, \text{ but, } \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = \nabla \times (\mathbf{E} + \nabla\psi)$$

- Ideal electric field (c.f. ideal induction equation)

$$c\mathbf{E} = -\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}$$

Poynting & Helicity Flux

- Poynting flux through photosphere

$$\begin{aligned} S_z &= \frac{c}{4\pi} \mathbf{E}_h \times \mathbf{B}_h \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}} \\ &= [v_z B_h^2 - (\mathbf{v}_h \cdot \mathbf{B}_h) B_z] / 4\pi \end{aligned}$$

- Helicity flux through photosphere

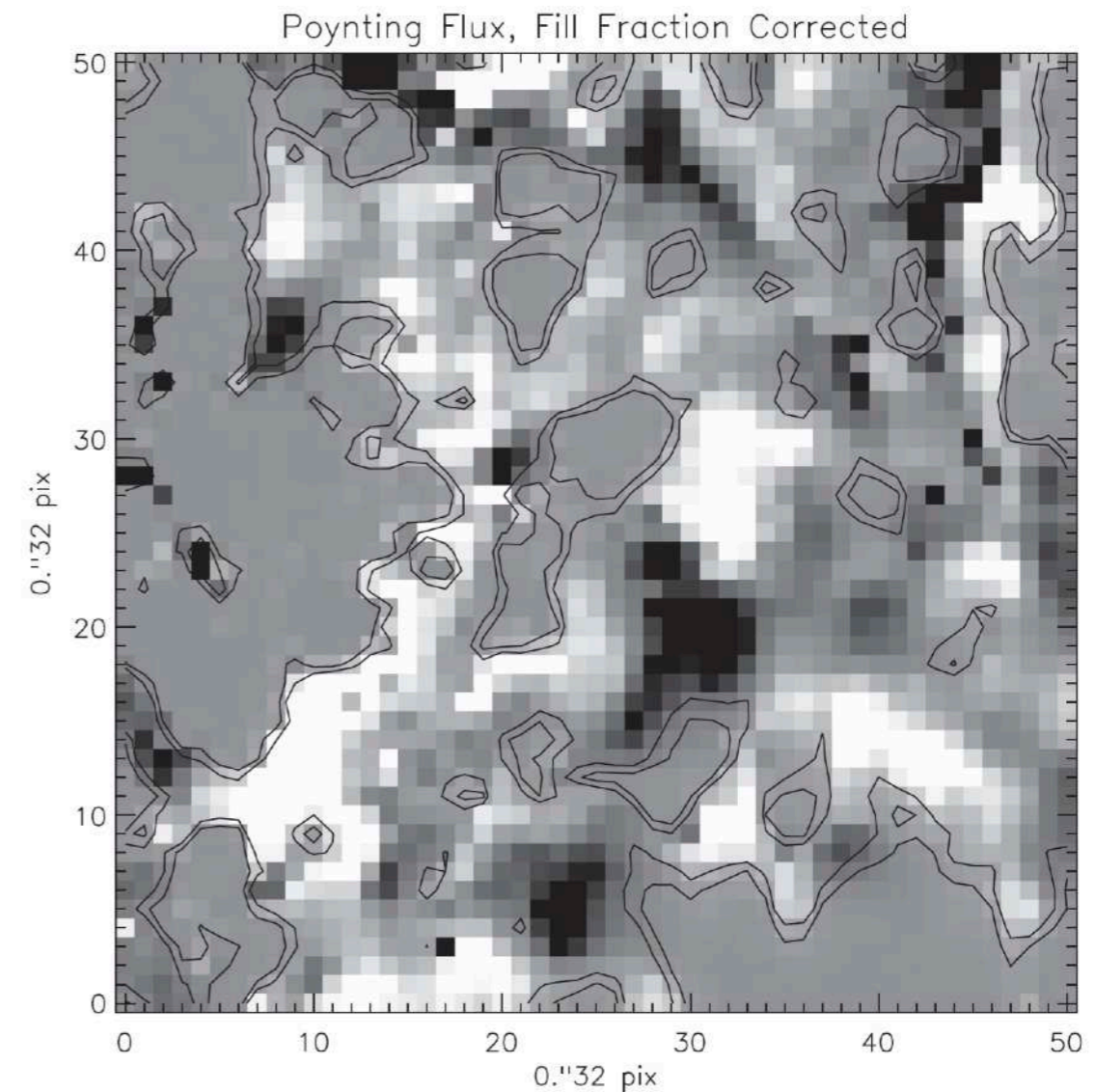
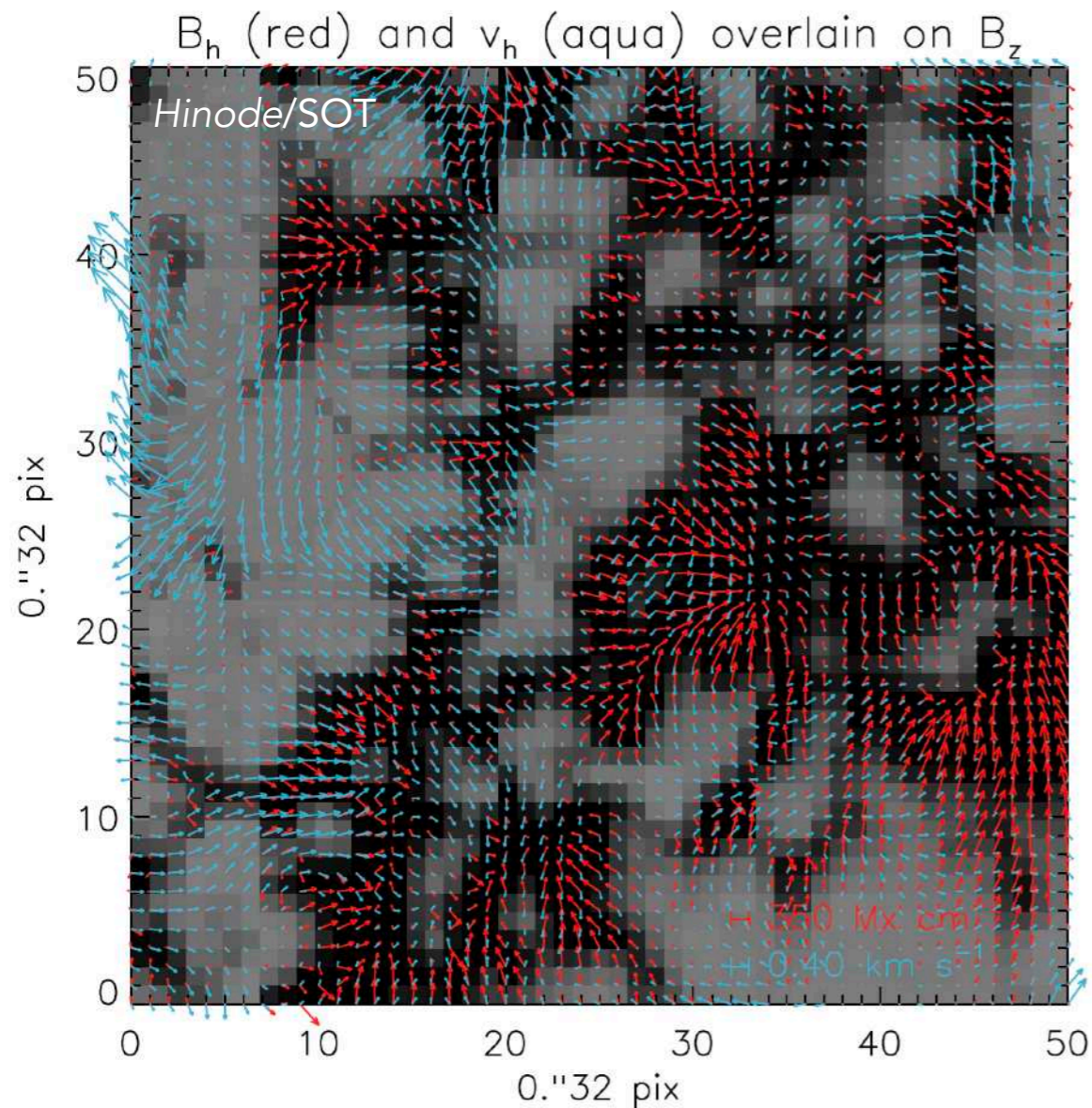
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dH_R}{dt} &= -2 \int (\mathbf{A}_p \times \mathbf{E}) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}} da \\ &= -2 \int (\mathbf{A}_p \cdot \mathbf{v}_h) B_z da + 2 \int (\mathbf{A}_p \cdot \mathbf{B}_h) v_z da \end{aligned}$$

- There may be an upper limit of energy and helicity before eruption sets in

Surface Velocity Estimate

$$S_z = [v_z B_h^2 - (\mathbf{v}_h \cdot \mathbf{B}_h) B_z] / 4\pi$$

Q: Which term is more important for plage? What happens for 0 inclination?

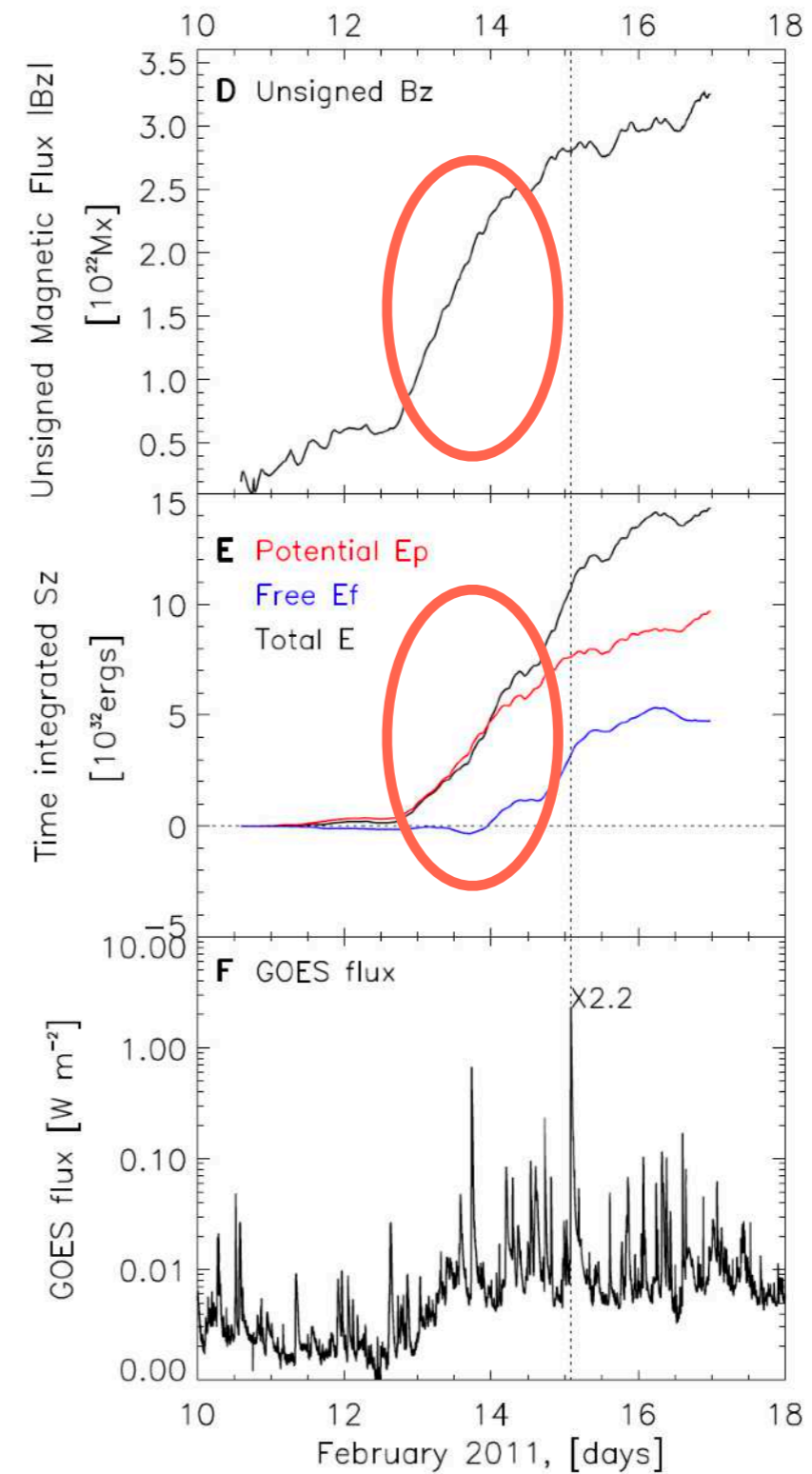
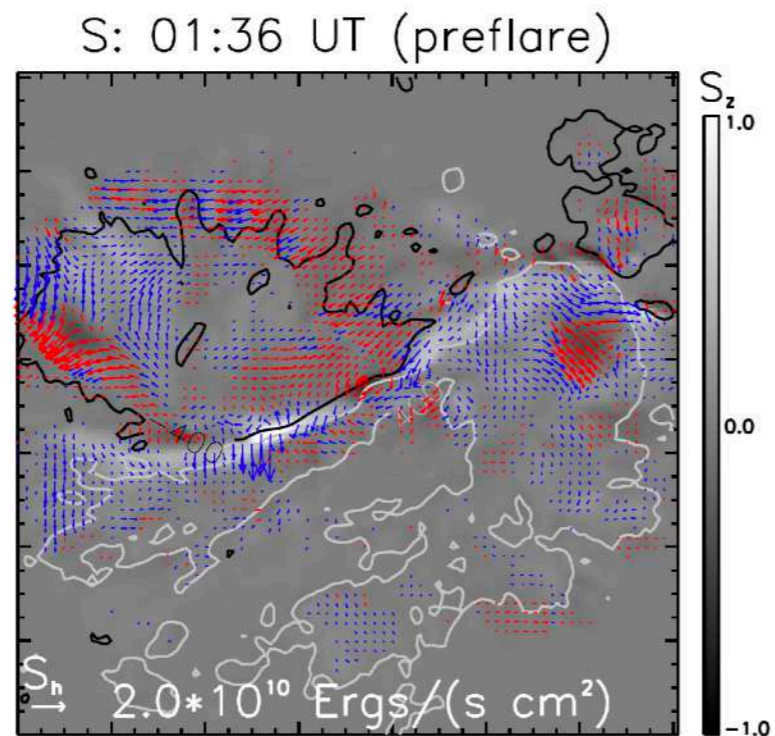
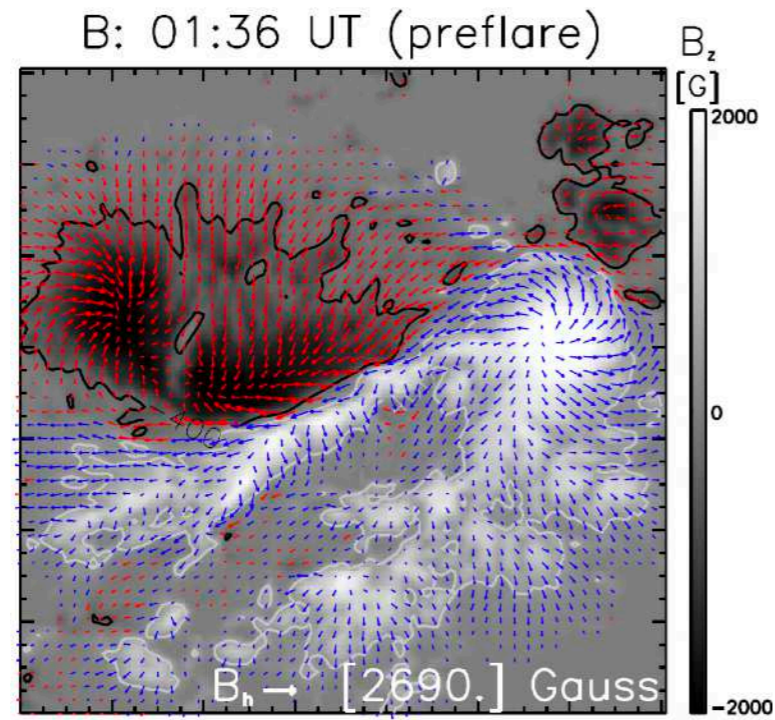


Welsch (2015)

Fourier local correlation tracking (FLCT; Fisher & Welsch 2008)

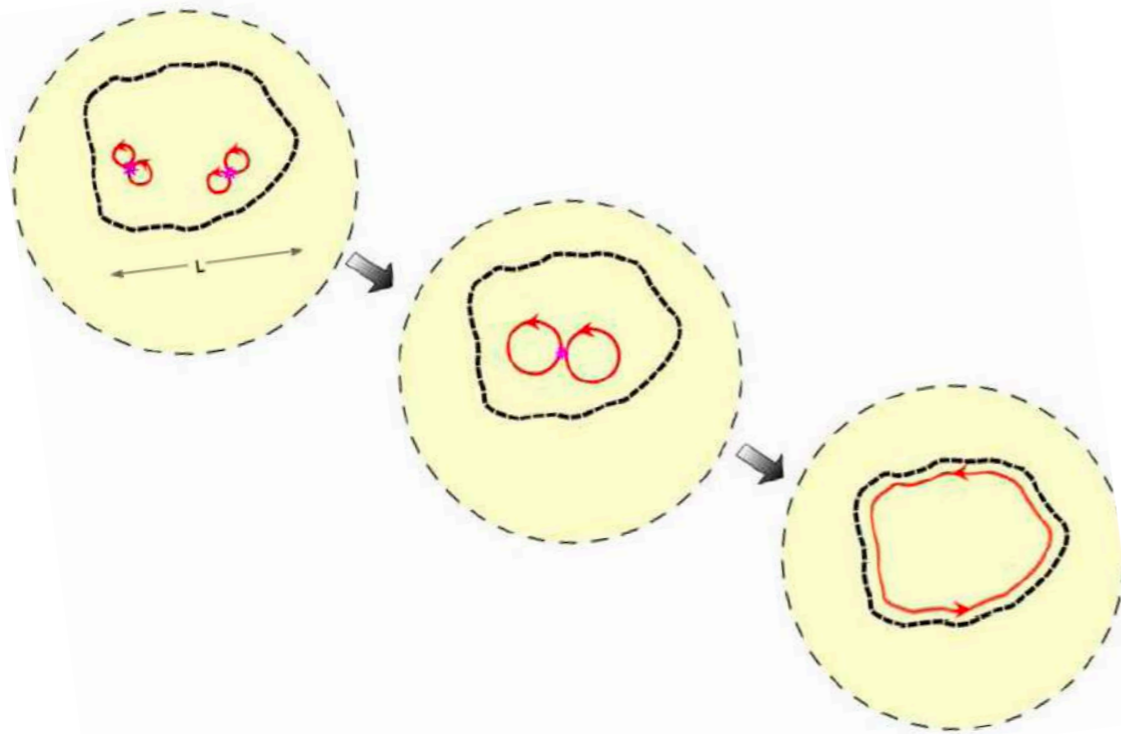
Differential Affine Velocity Estimator for Vector Magnetograms (DAVE4VM; Schuck 2008)

Magnetic Energy Injection

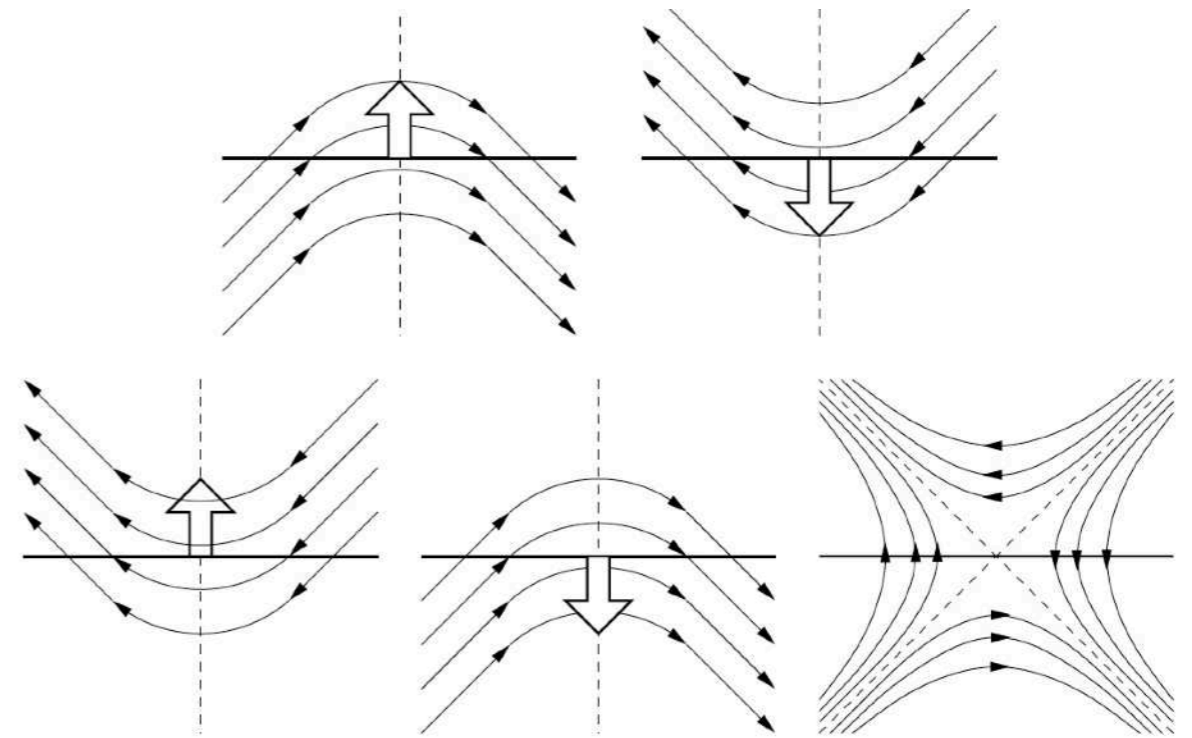


Magnetic Polarity Inversion Line (PIL)

- Magnetic flux emergence & submergence
- Energy accumulation in filament channel
- Helicity condensation (inverse cascade) in filament channel



Antiochos (2013)

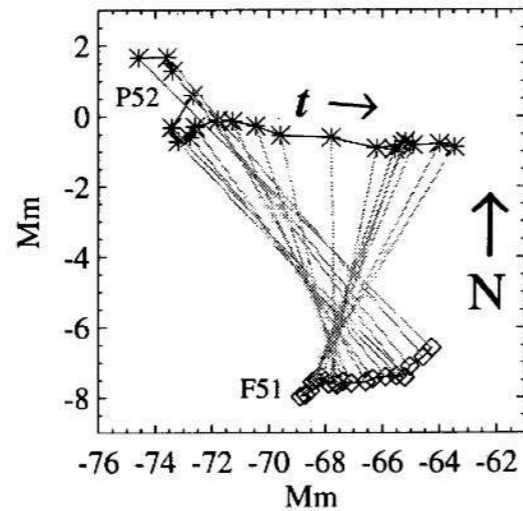


Welsch et al. (2013)

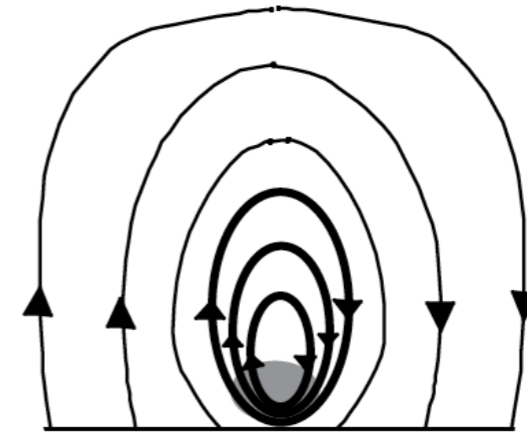
Pre-eruption Magnetic Fields

Observation: Magnetogram

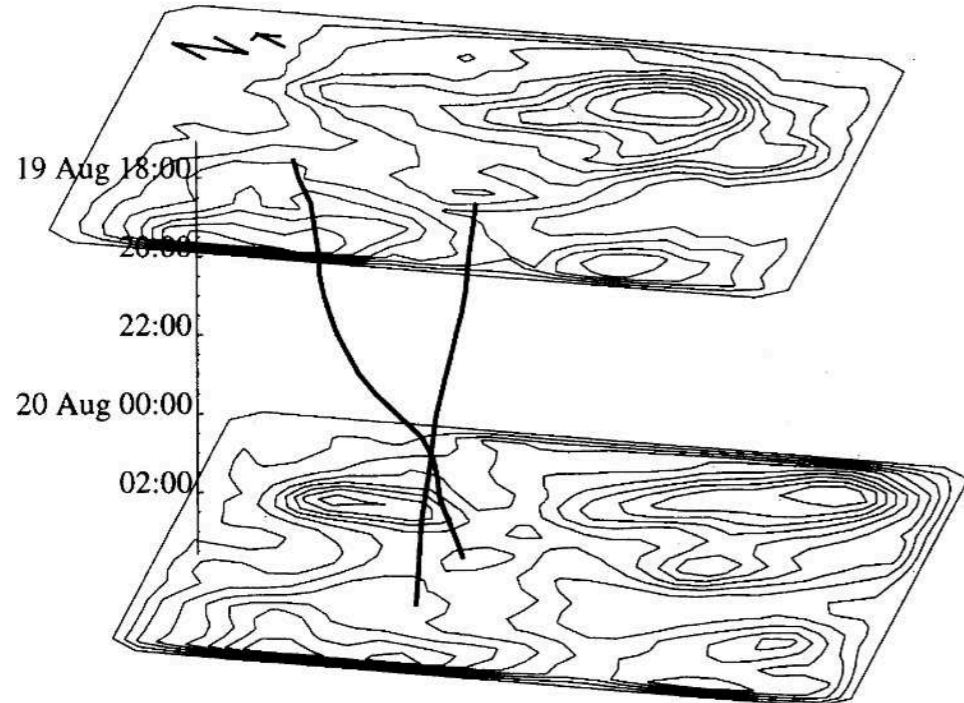
Mees/IVM; Fe I 656.9 nm



"Bald patch"

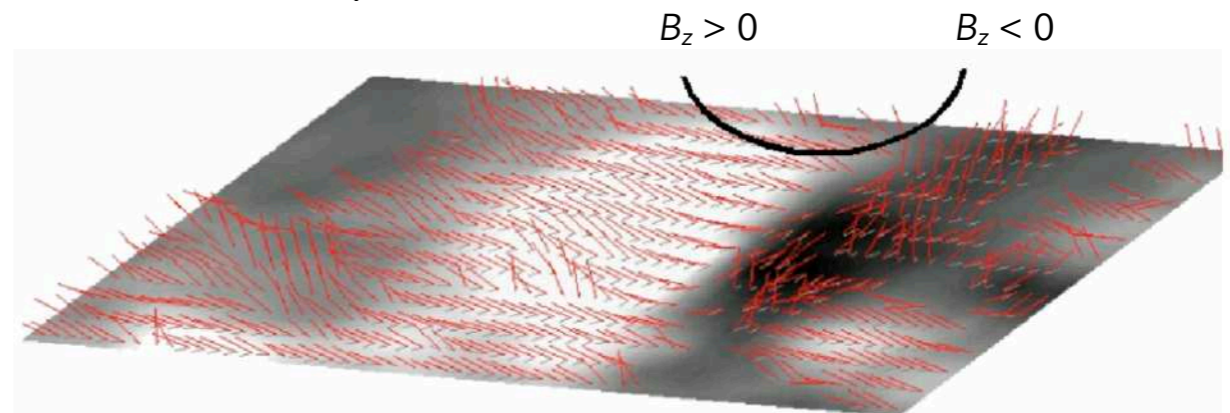


Titov et al. (1993); Gibson & Fan (2006)



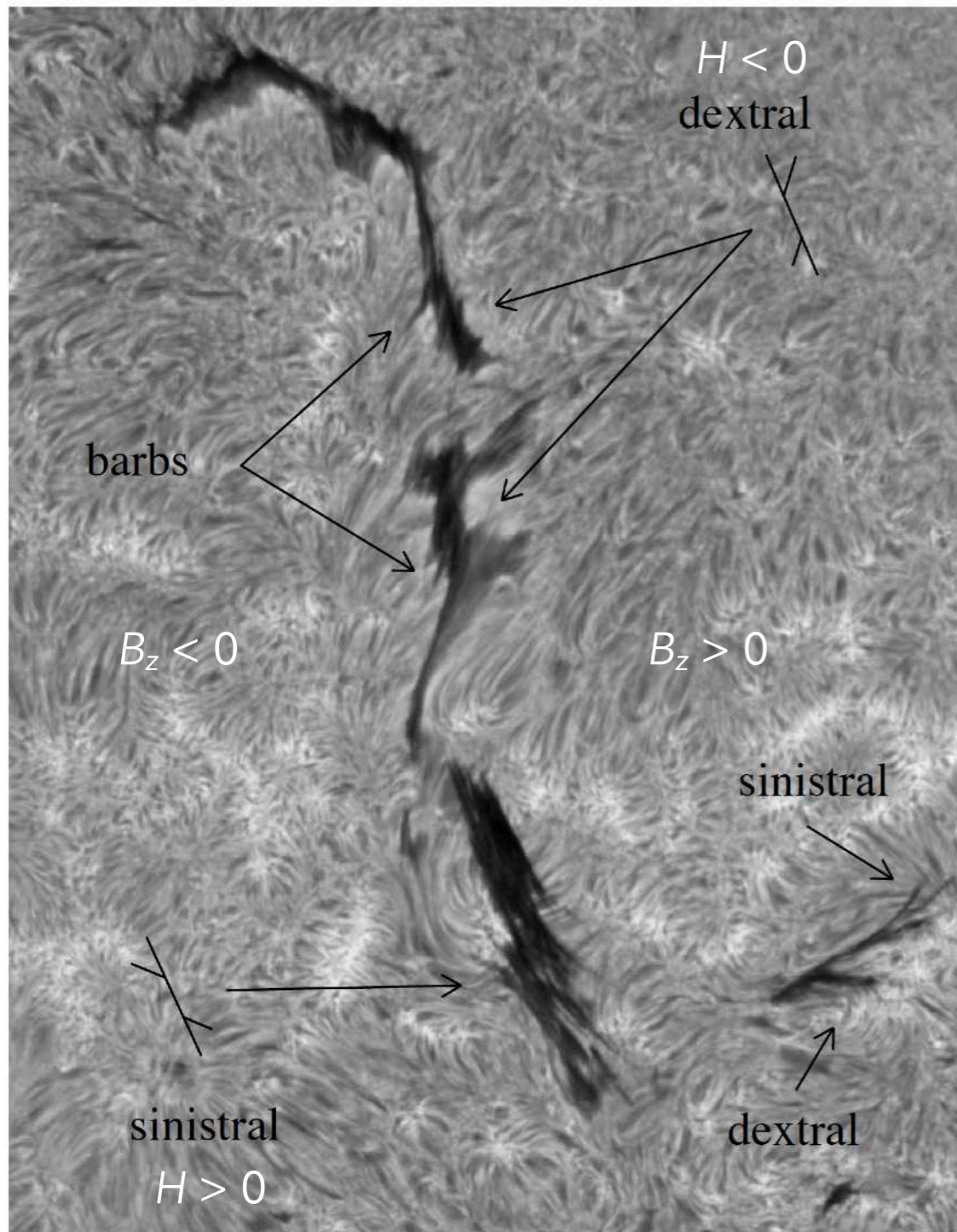
Leka et al. (1996)

THÉMIS/MTR; Fe I 630 nm

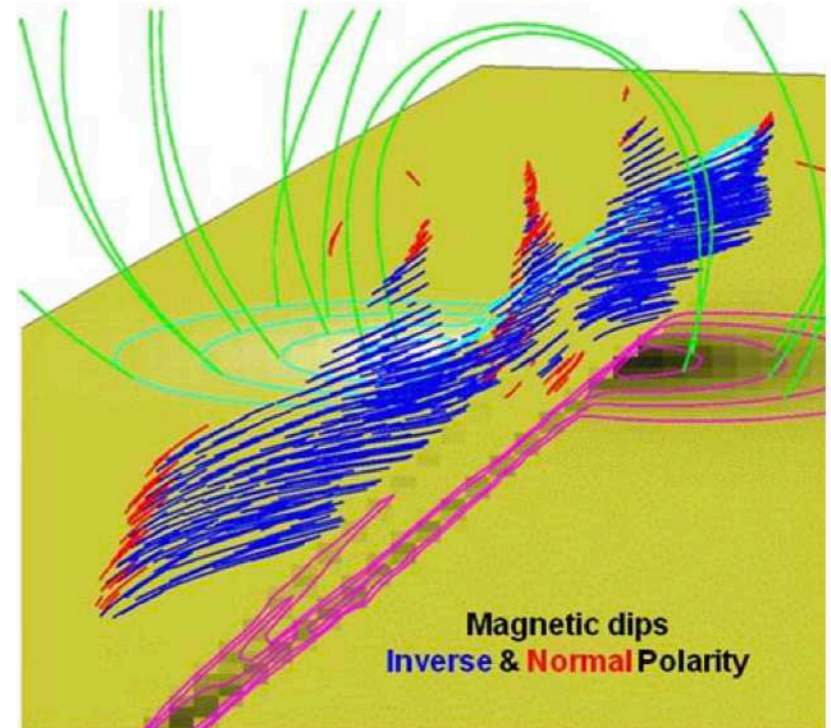
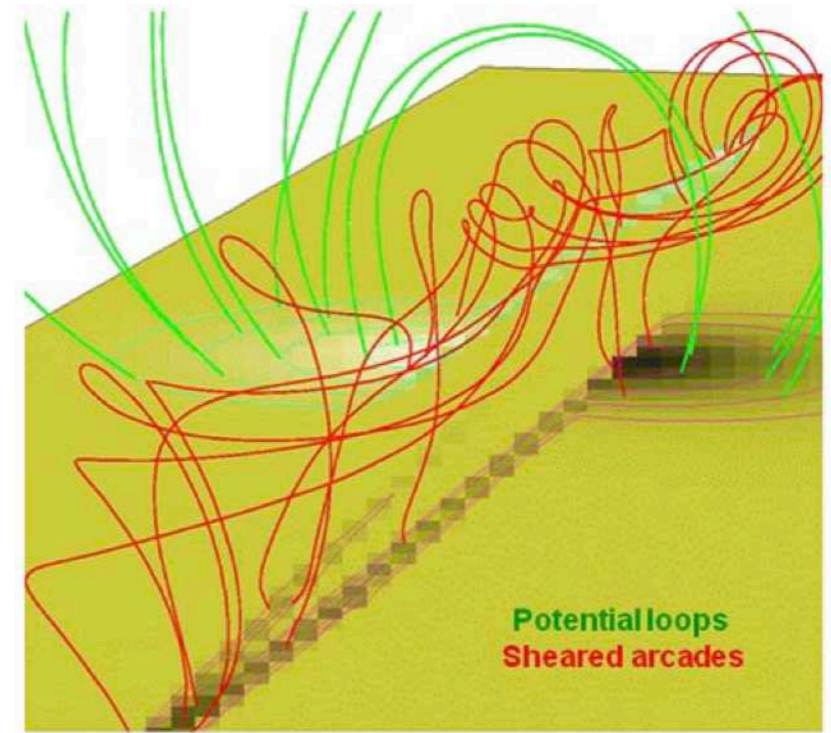


López Ariste et al. (2006)

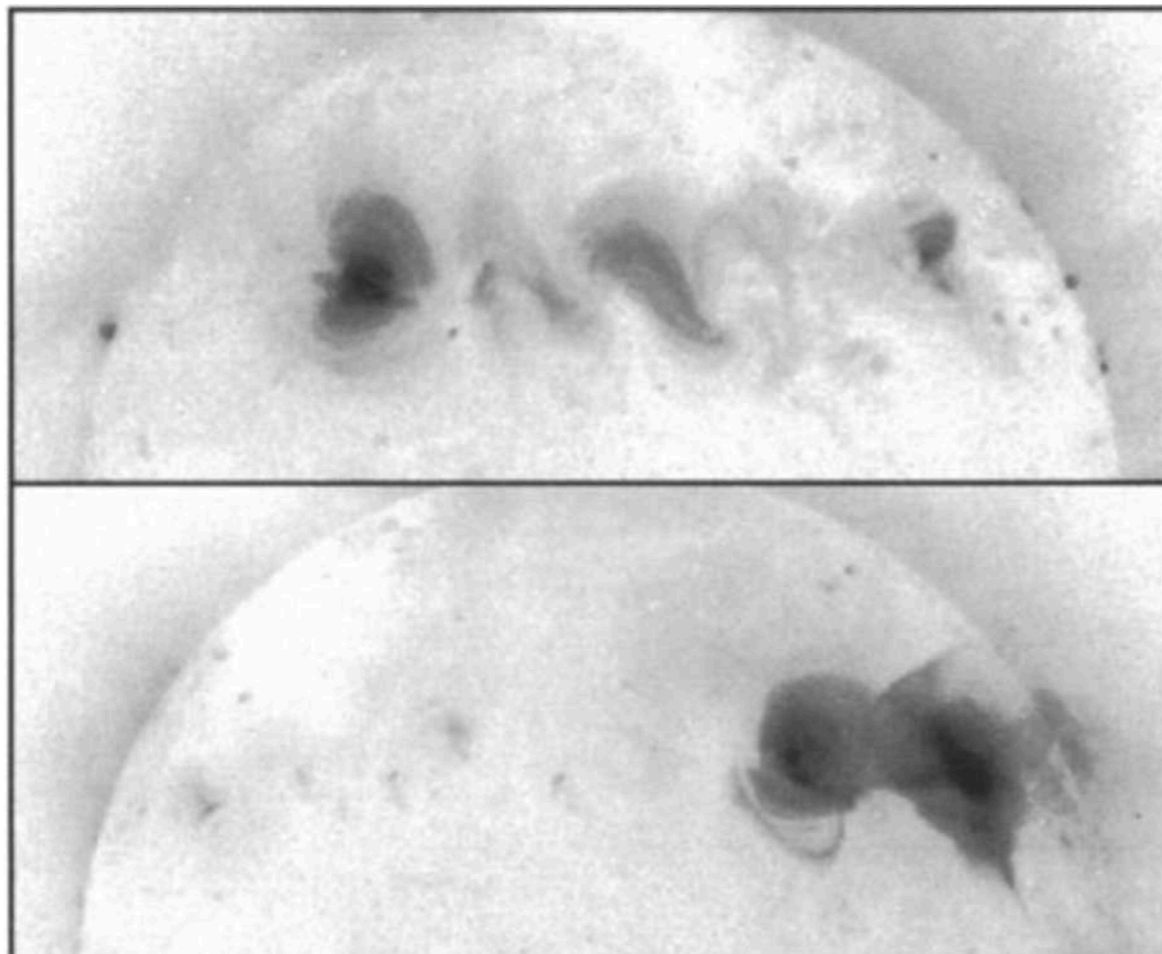
Filament



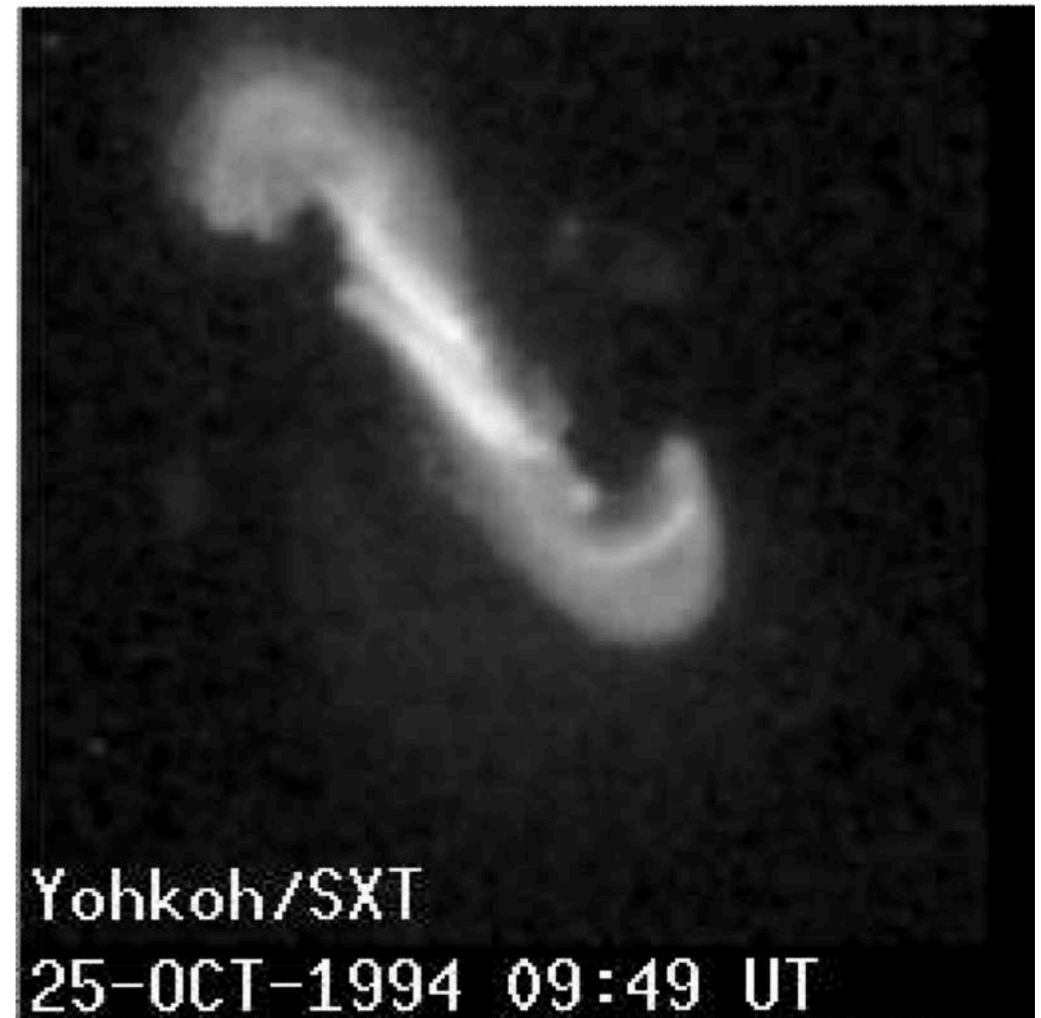
Pevtsov (2003)



Sigmoid

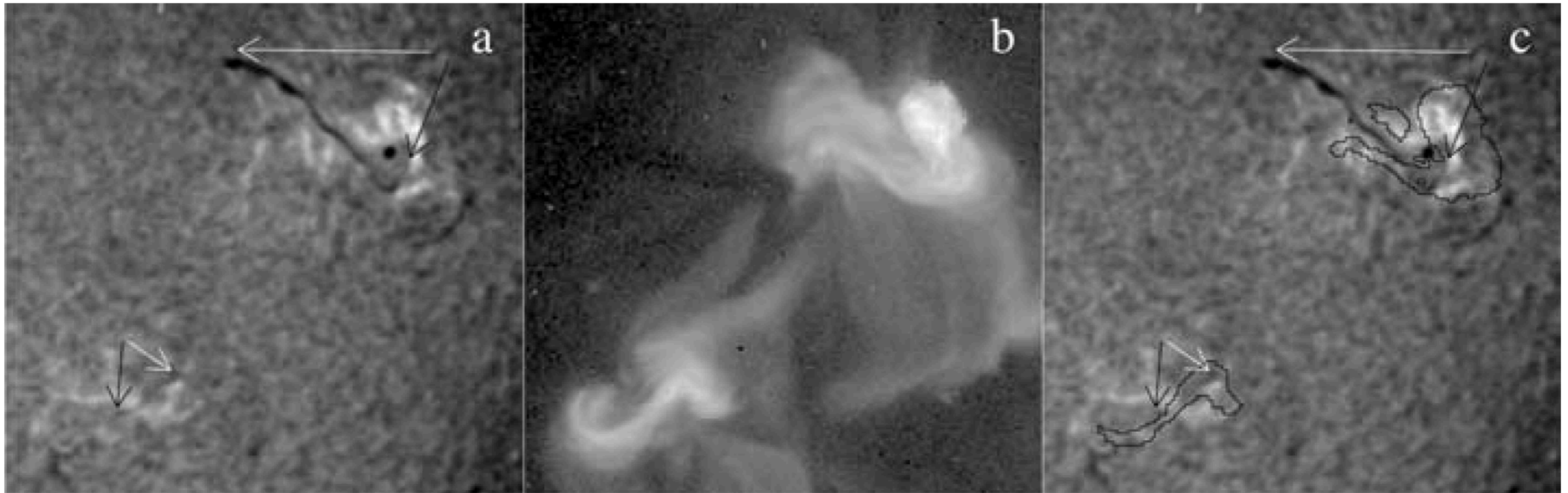


Canfield et al. (1999)



Titov & Démoulin (1999)

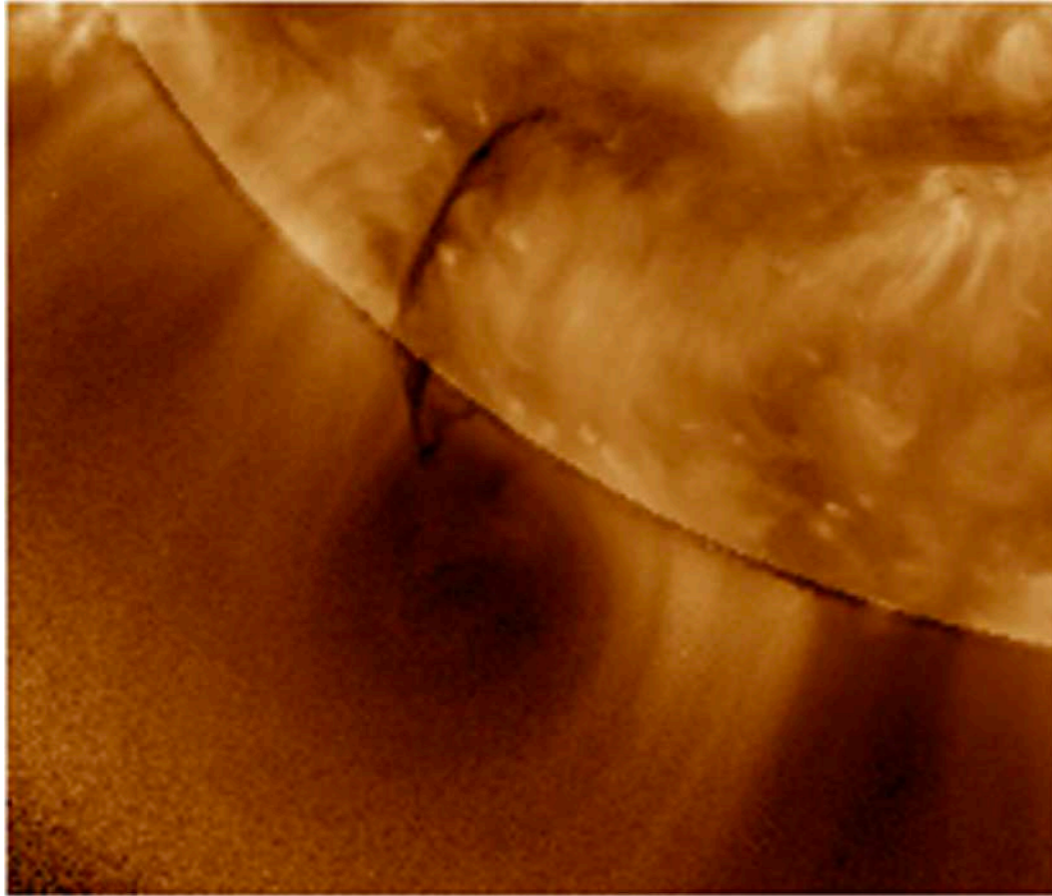
Filament + Sigmoid



Pevtsov (2002)

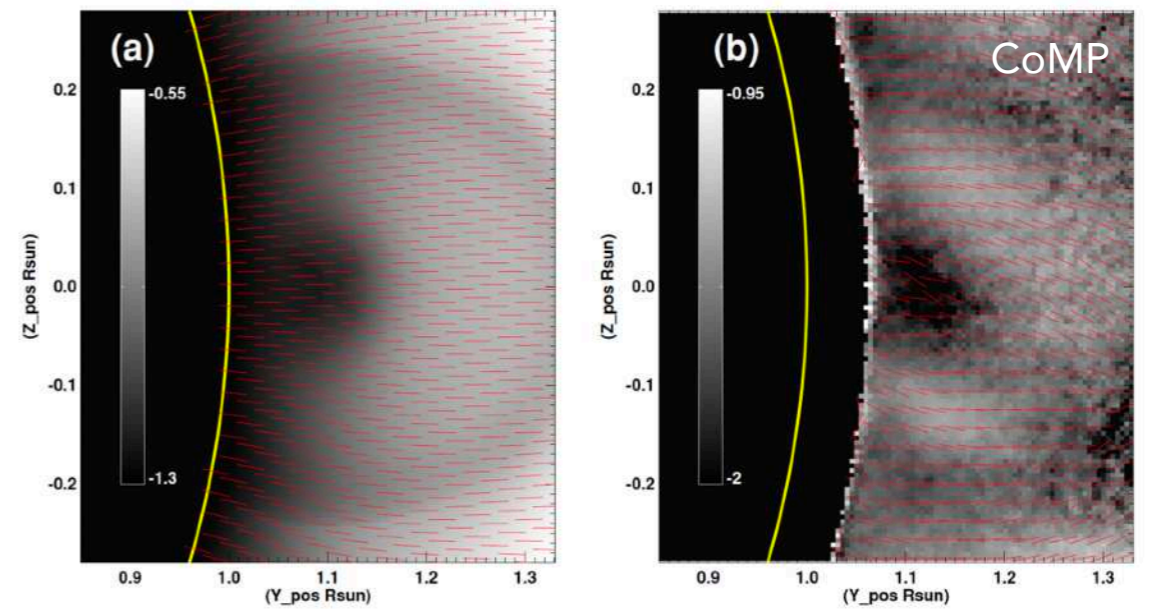
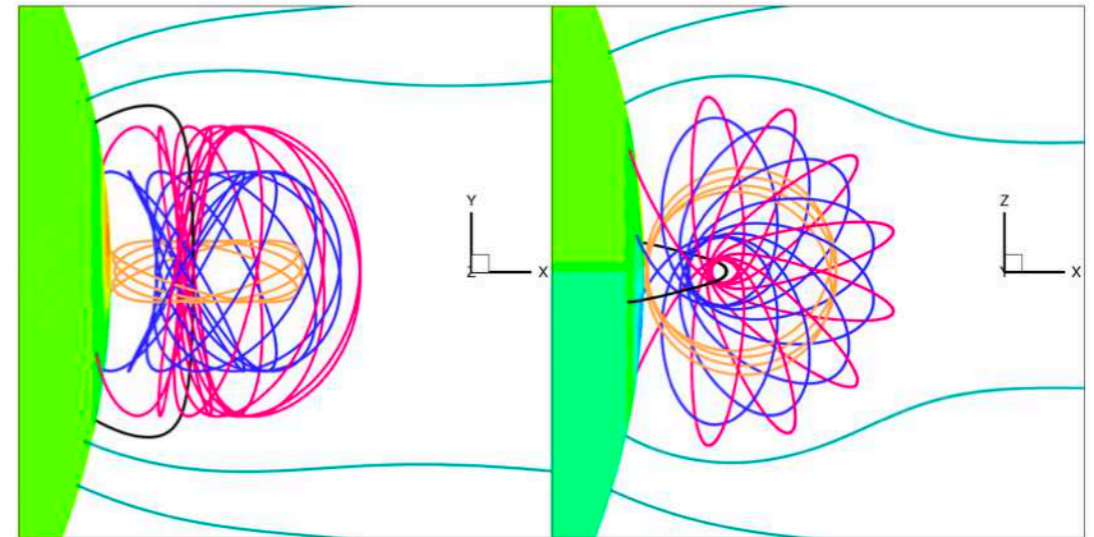
Coronal Cavity

Under-dense & hotter (!)



Karna et al. (2017)

Coronal polarization + FORWARD modeling







Dove et al. (2011)

UFO



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Two Massive UFO Refueling At The Sun (Formation)

63,881 views

 551  52  SHARE  SAVE ...

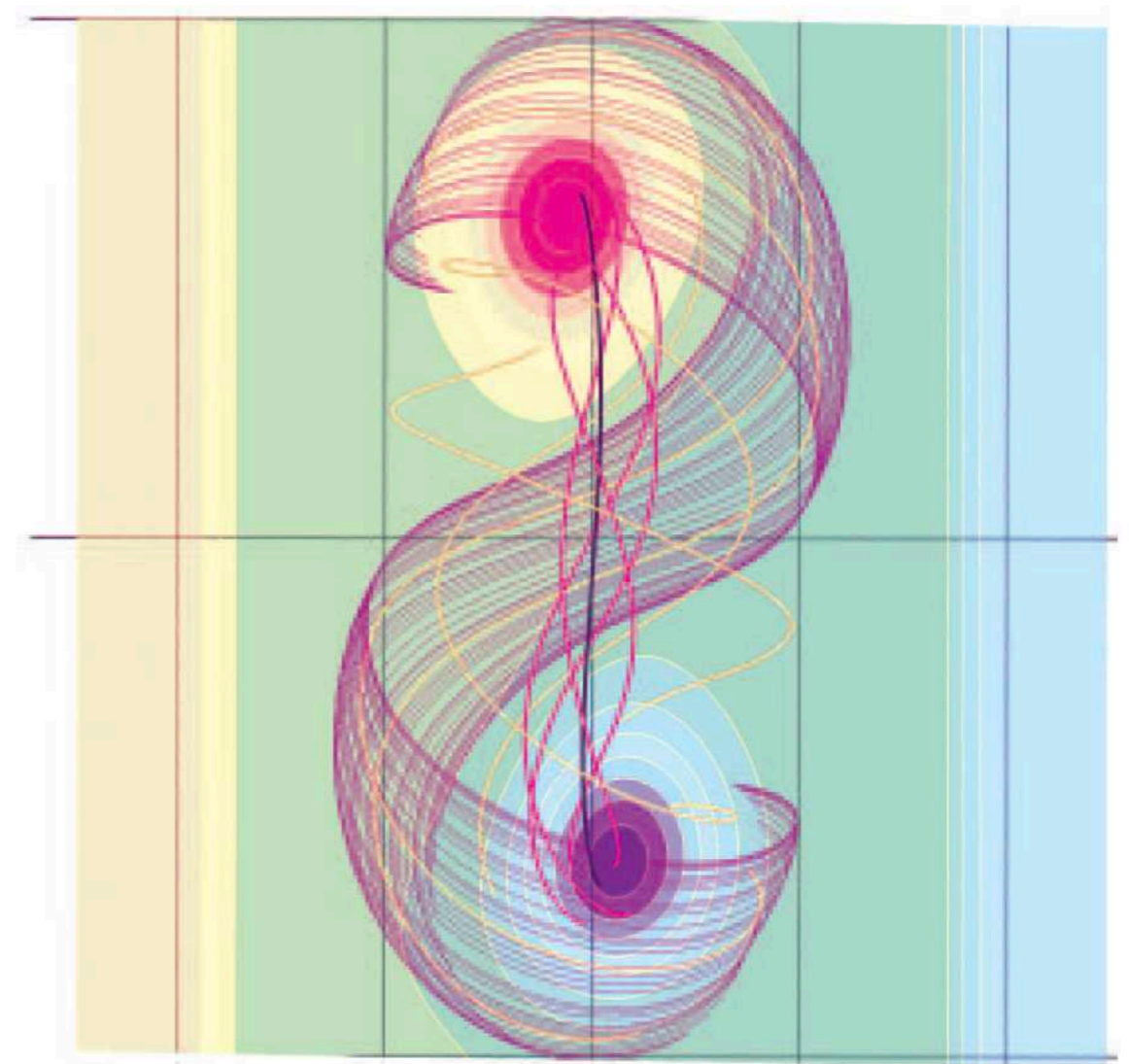
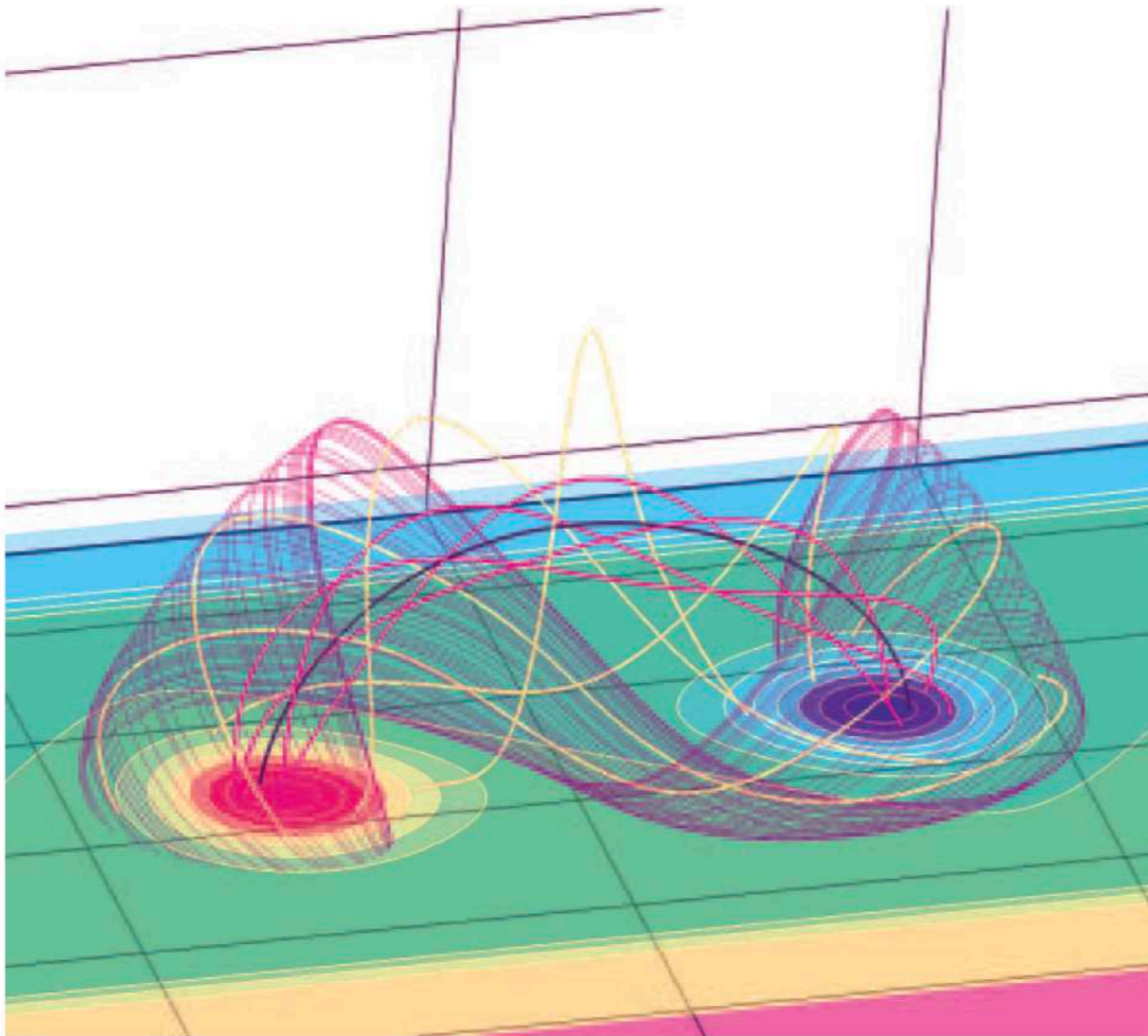


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Sheared Arcade & Flux Rope

Separatrix surface



Gibson et al. (2004)

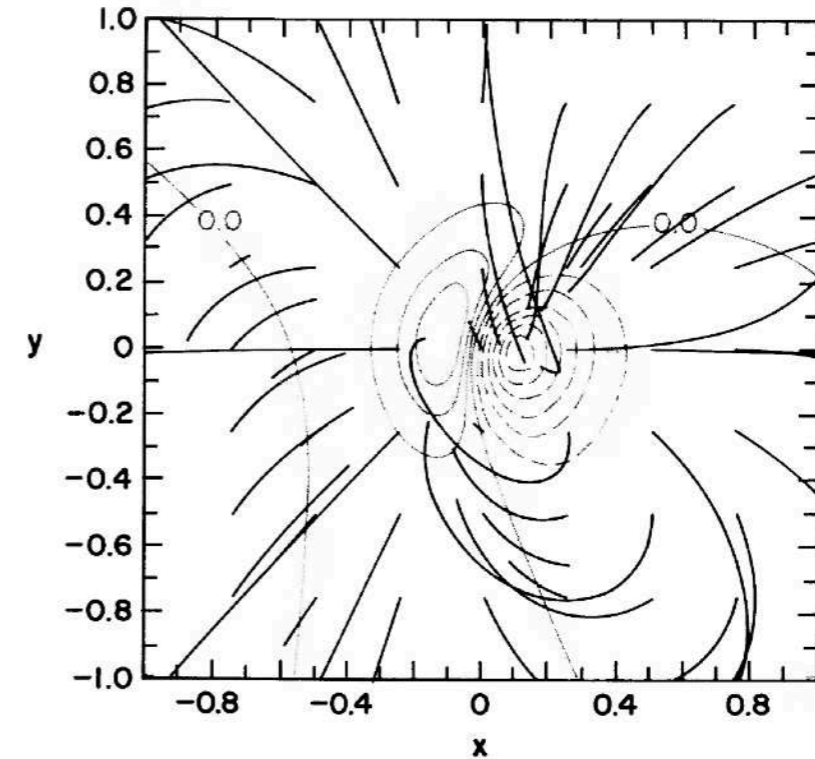
Force-Free Field Modeling

- Statement of problem:

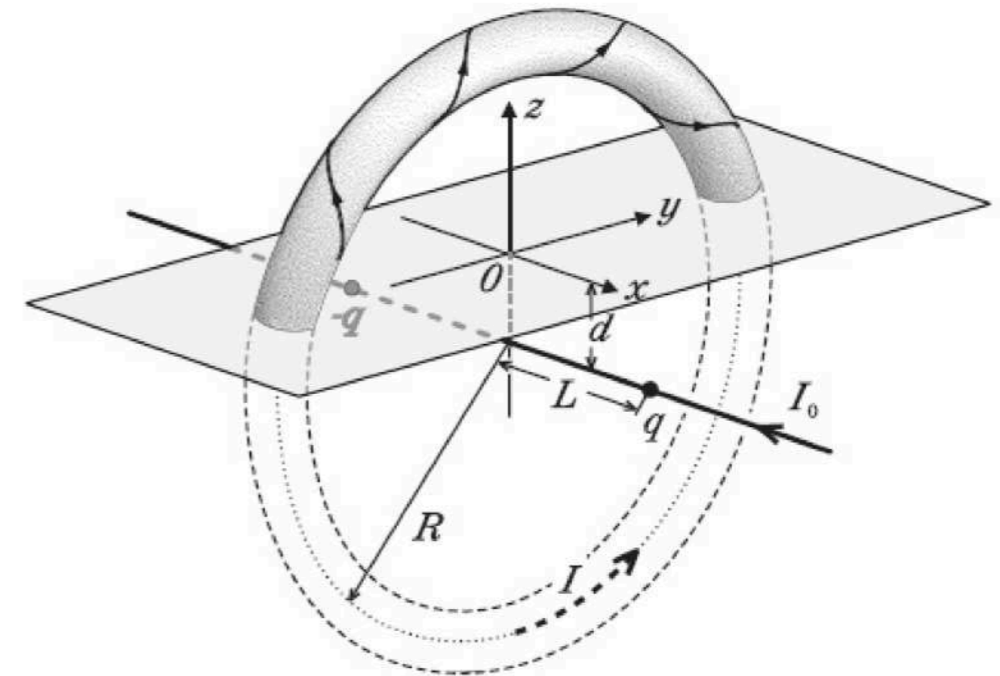
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \alpha \mathbf{B}$$

$$\mathbf{B}(z = 0) = \mathbf{B}_{\text{obs}}$$

- Non-linear force-free field (NLFFF):
 α varies in space
- Generally an ill-posed problem;
photosphere (high β) non-force-free
- Solutions need to be interpreted
with care

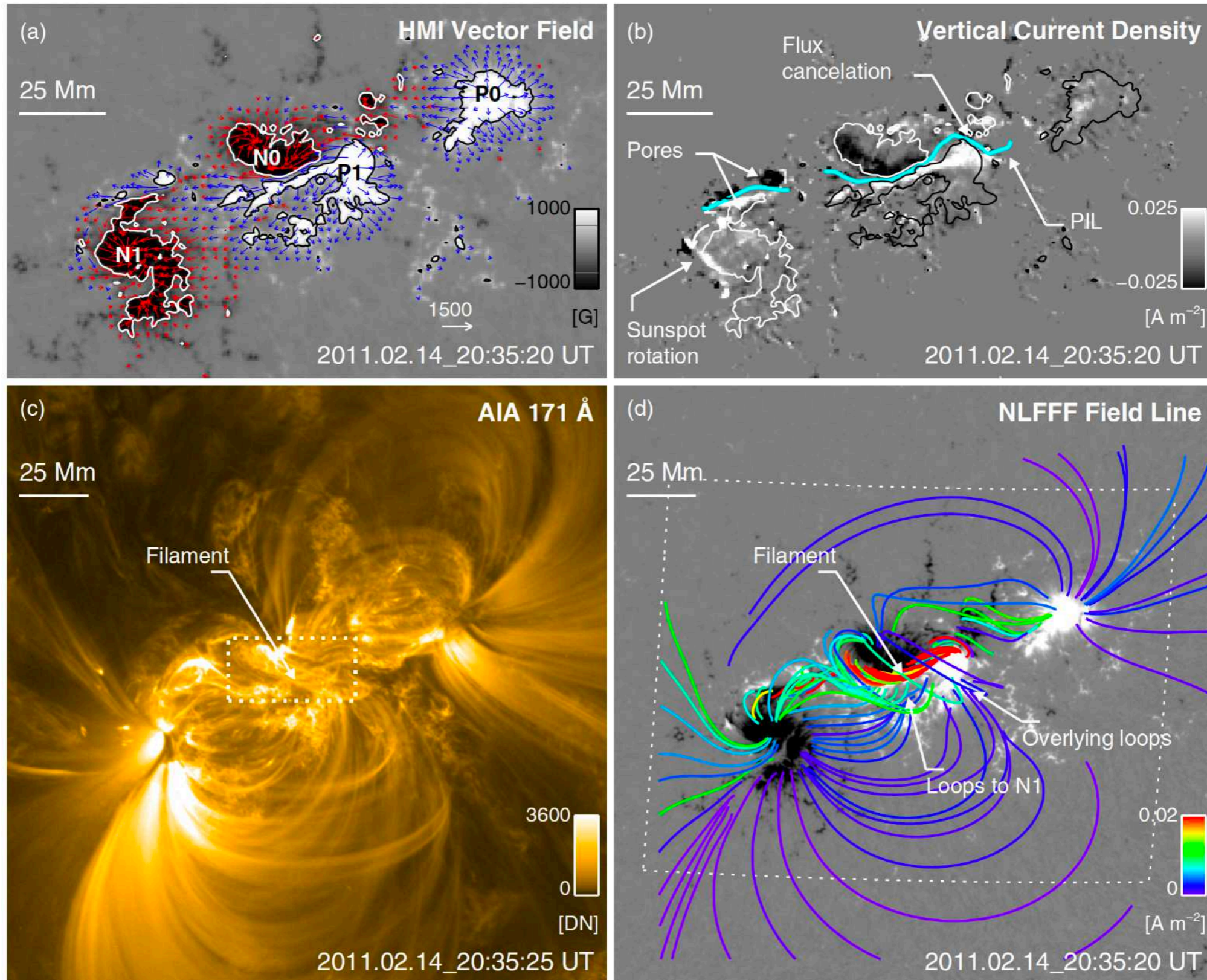


Low & Lou (1990)

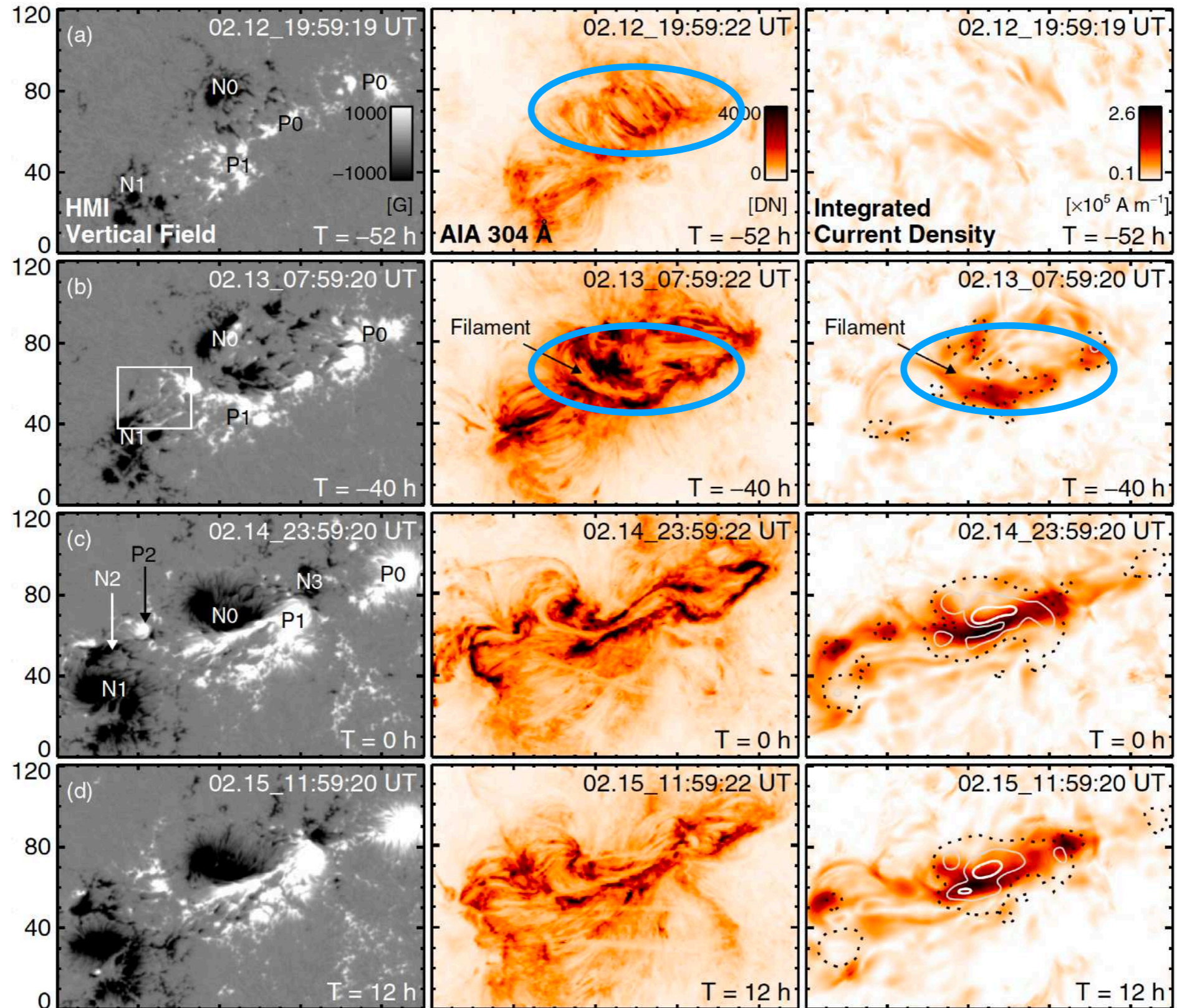


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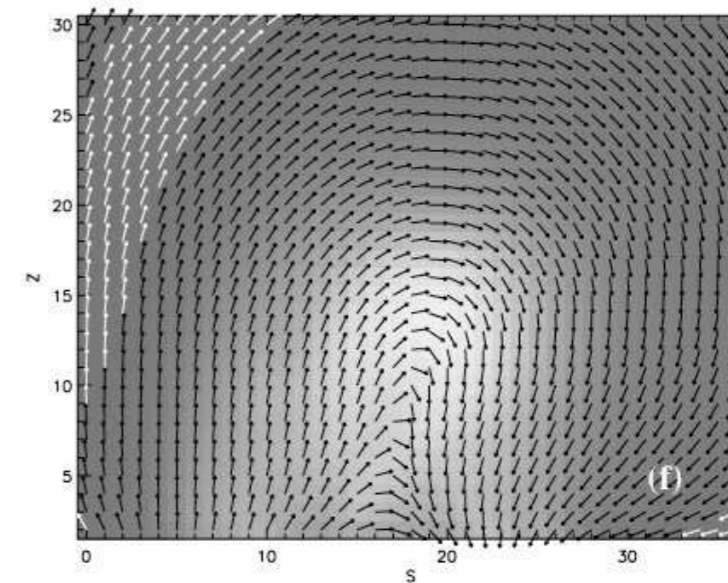
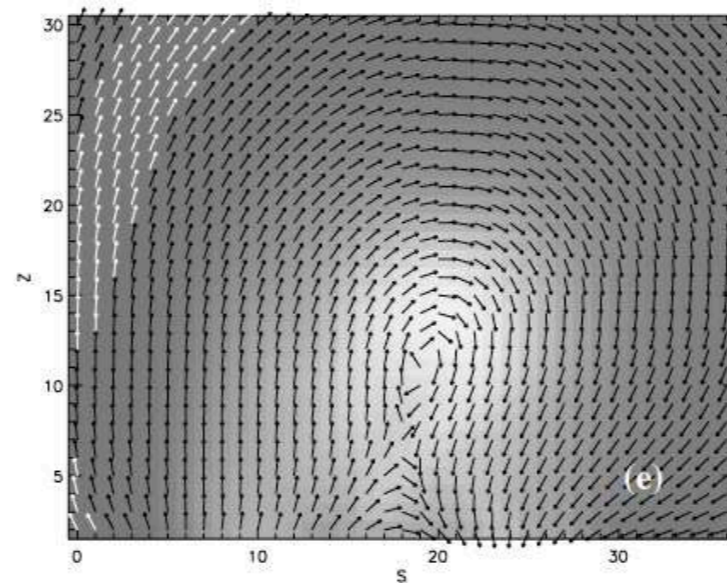
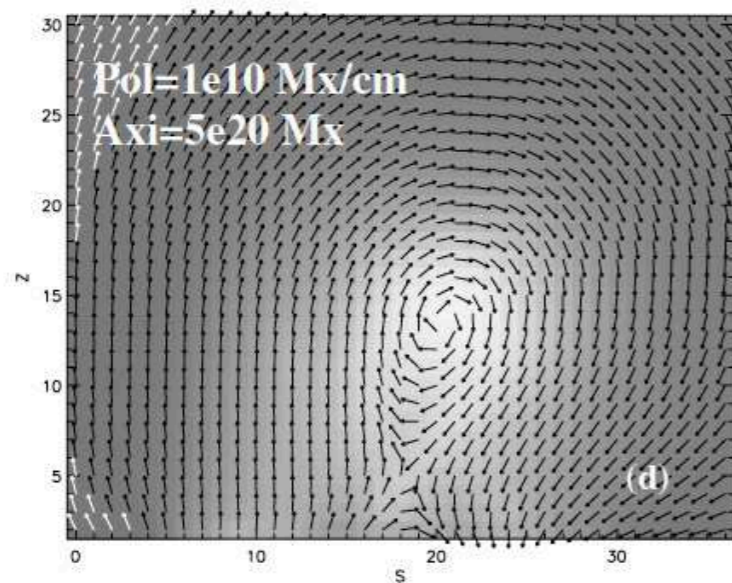
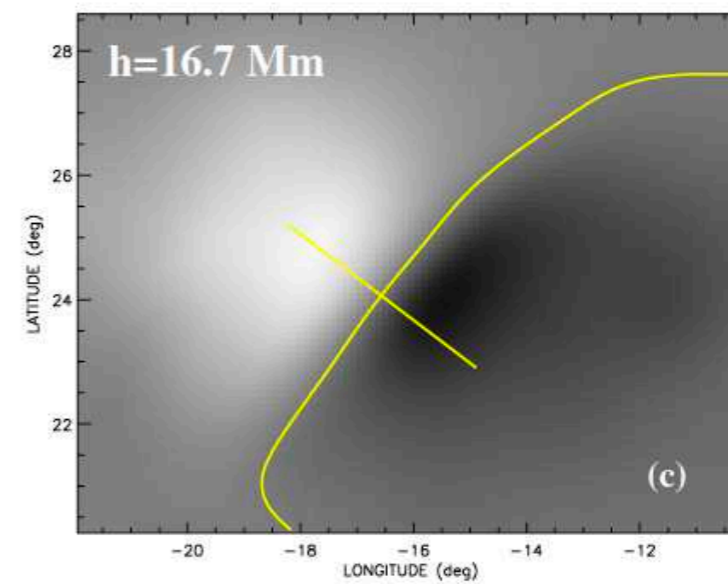
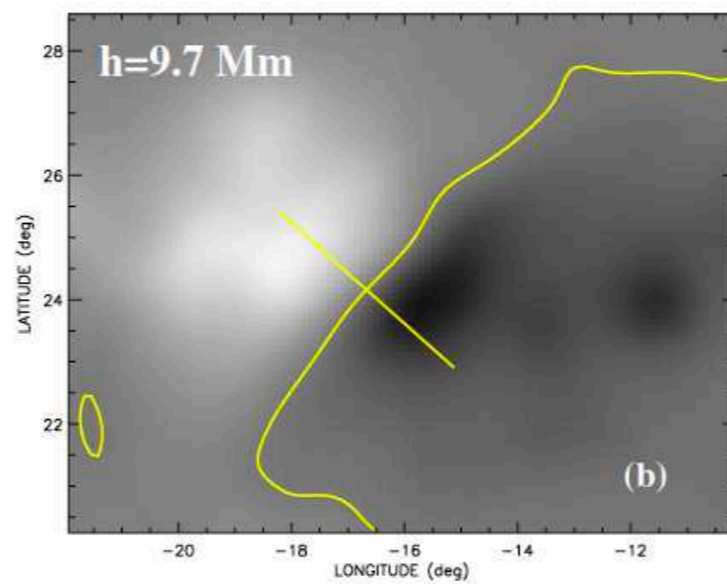
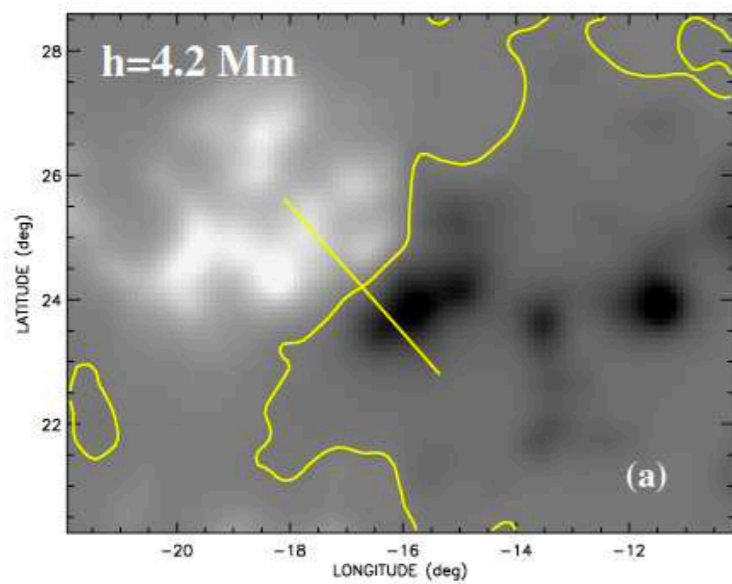
Solutions



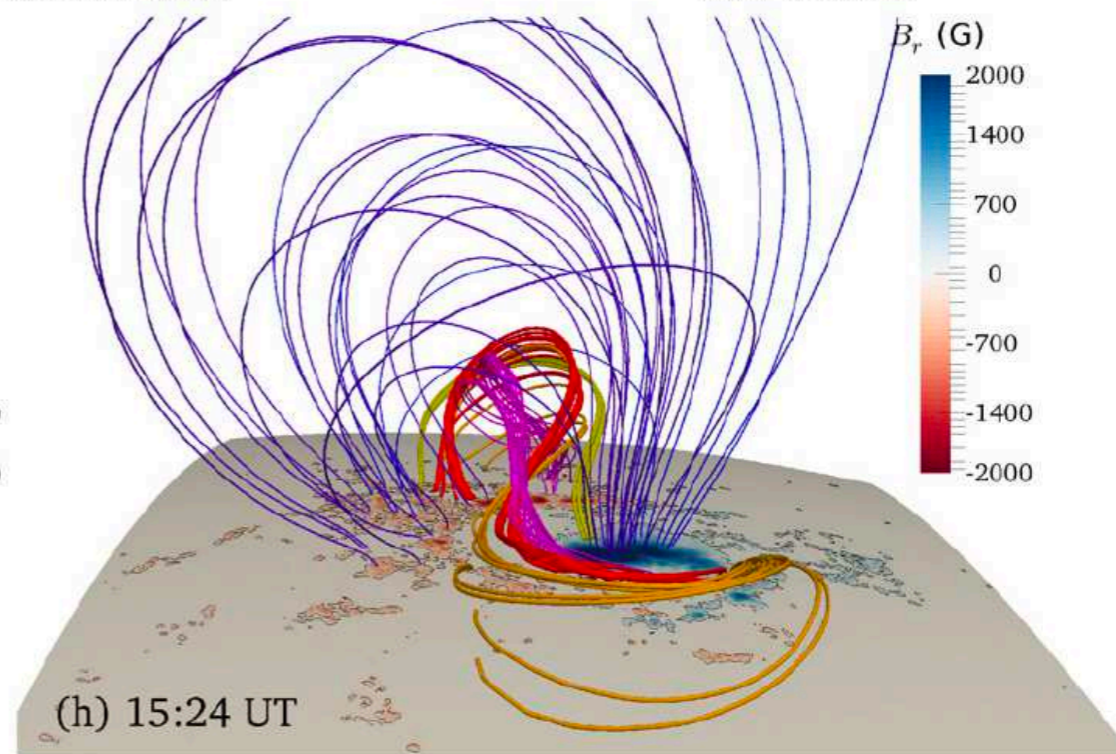
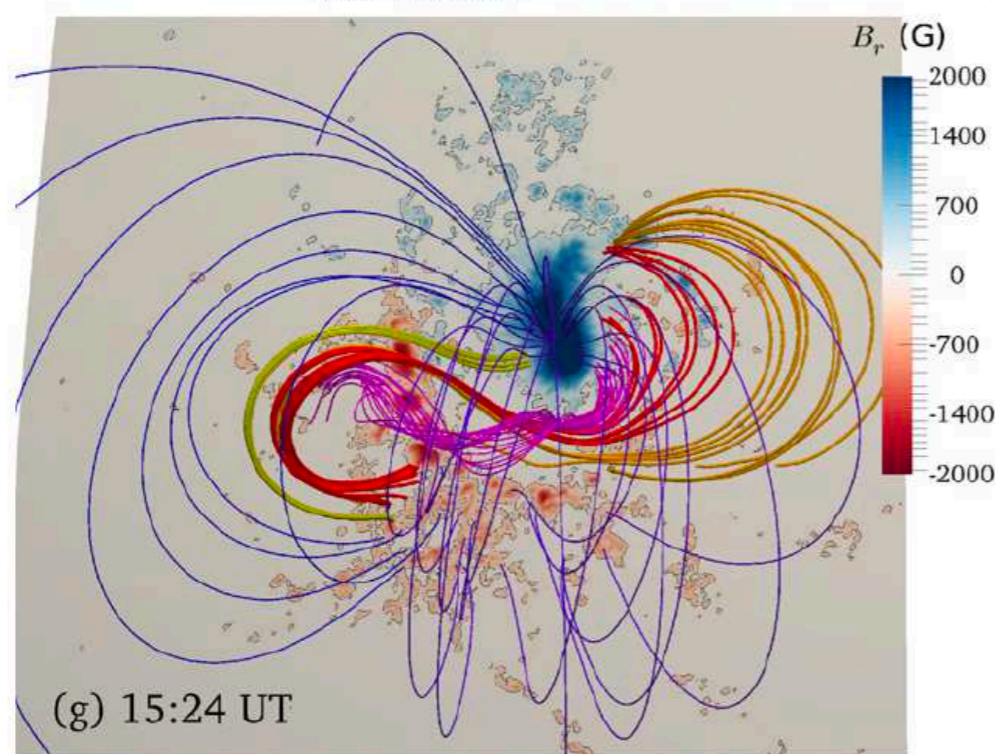
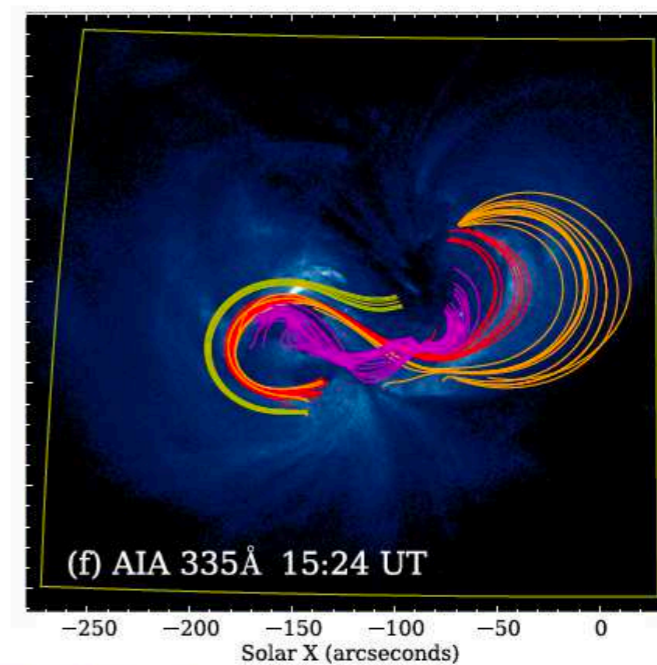
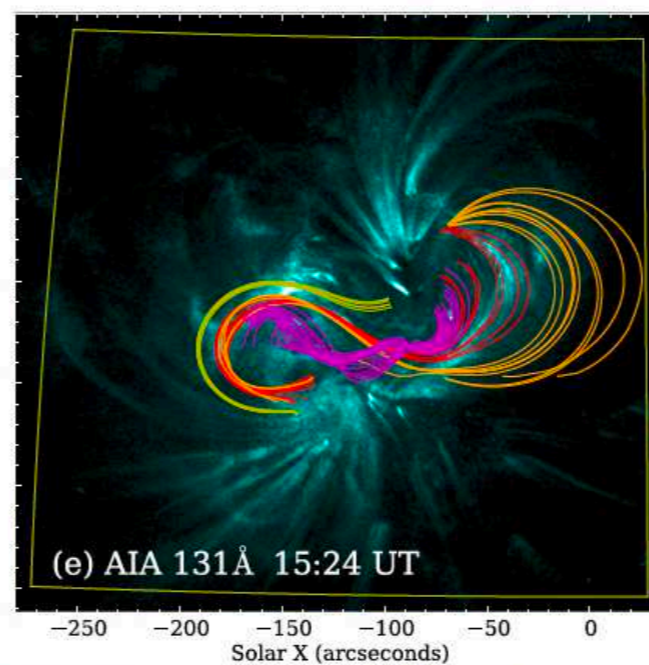
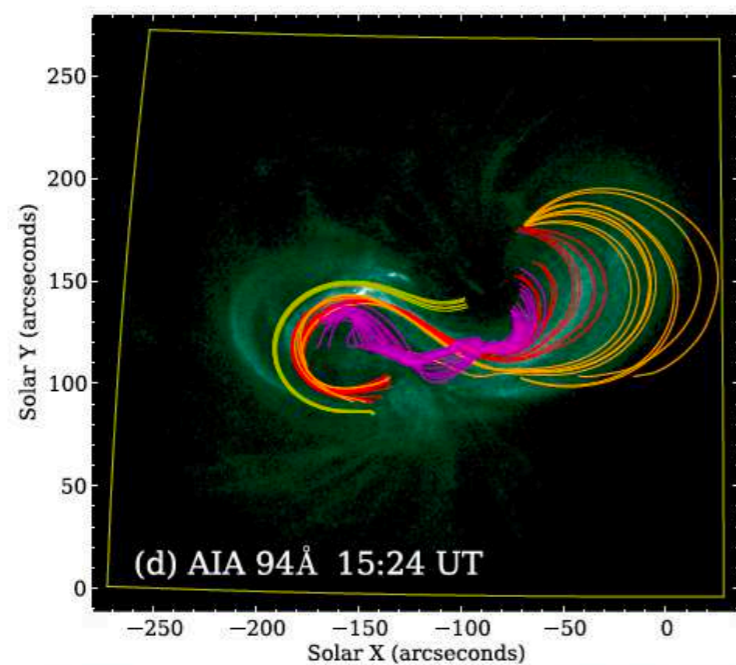
Energy Storage



Flux Rope in NLFFF

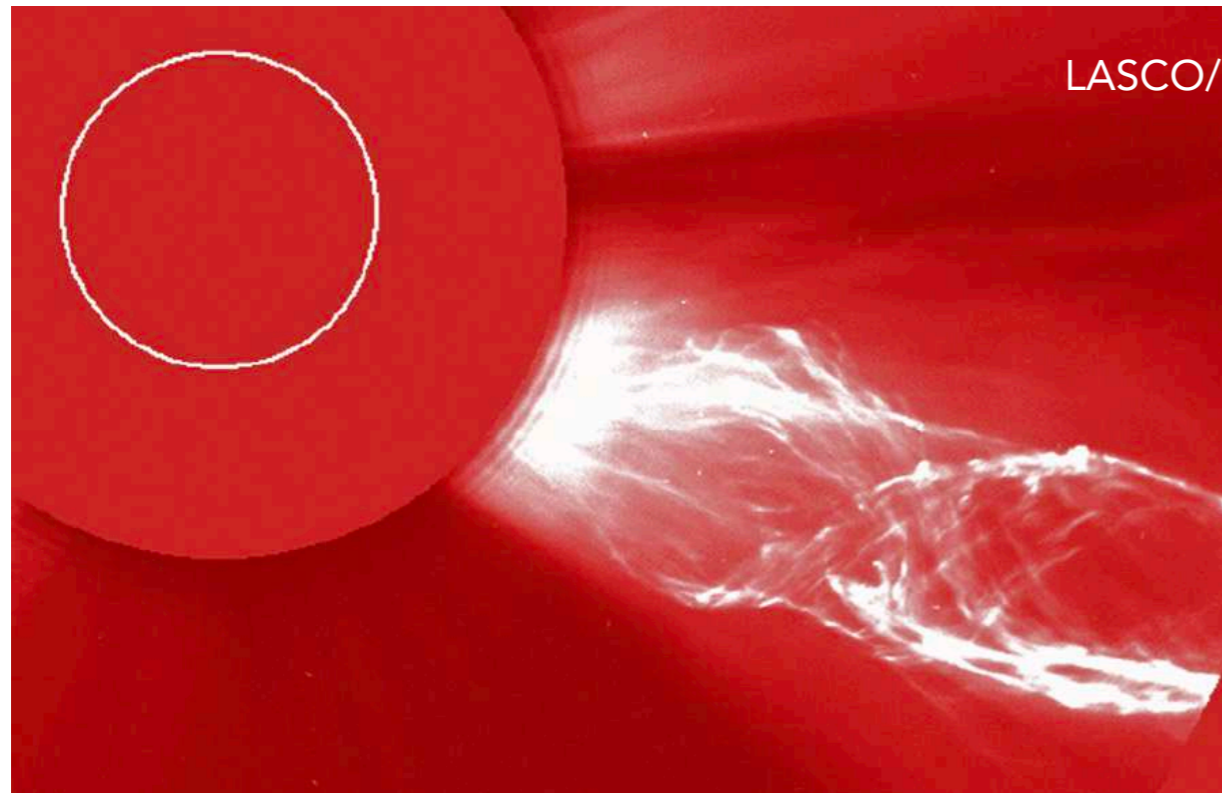
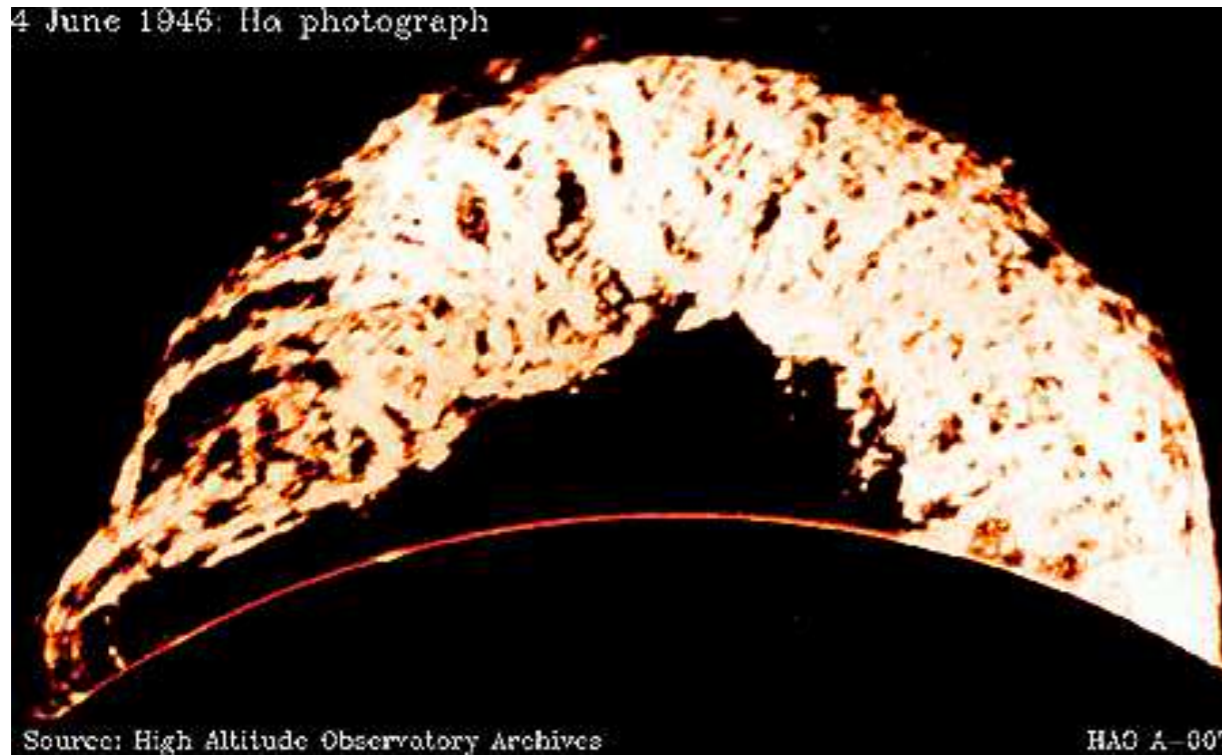


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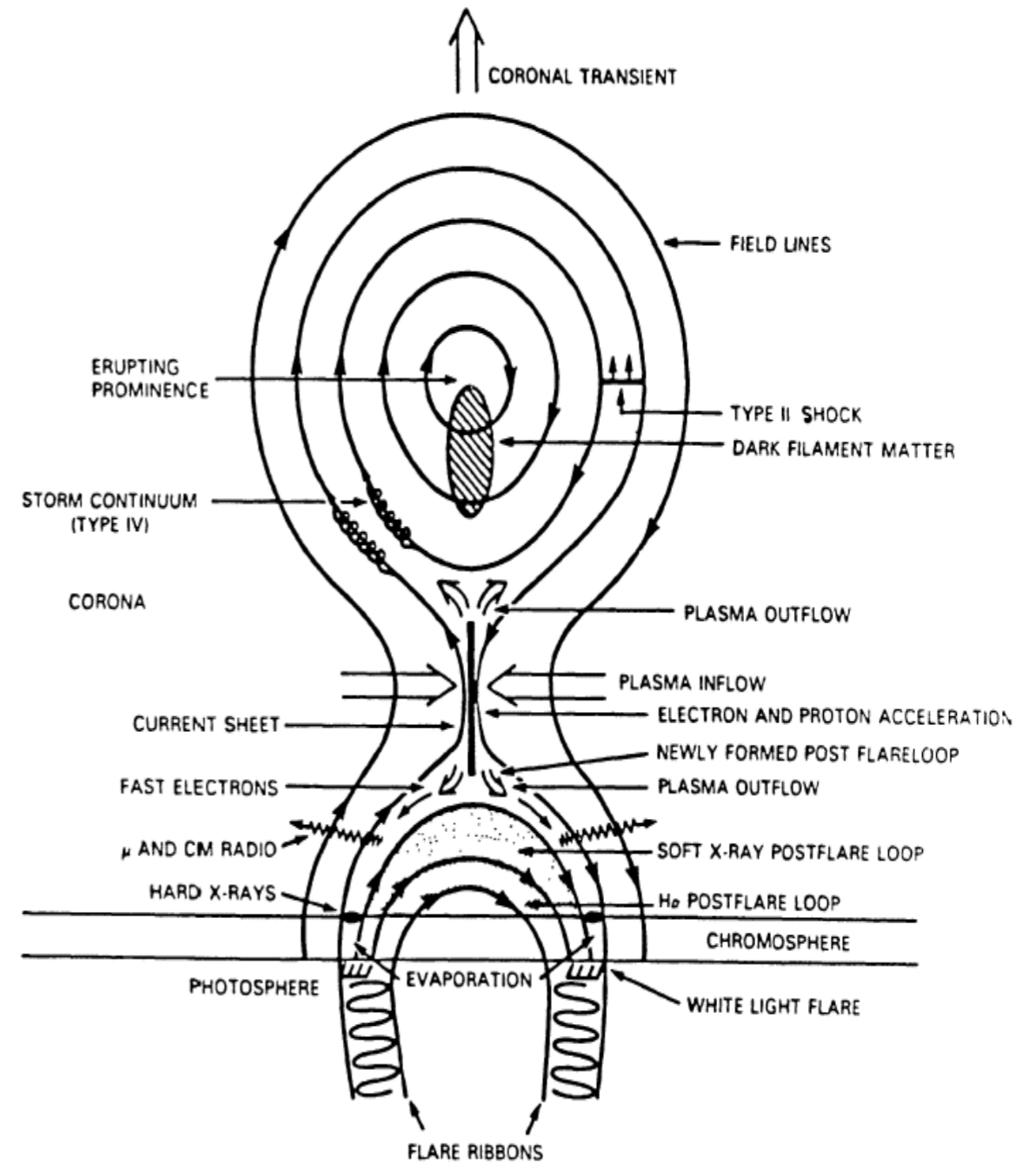


Many Modes of Eruption

CME Observation



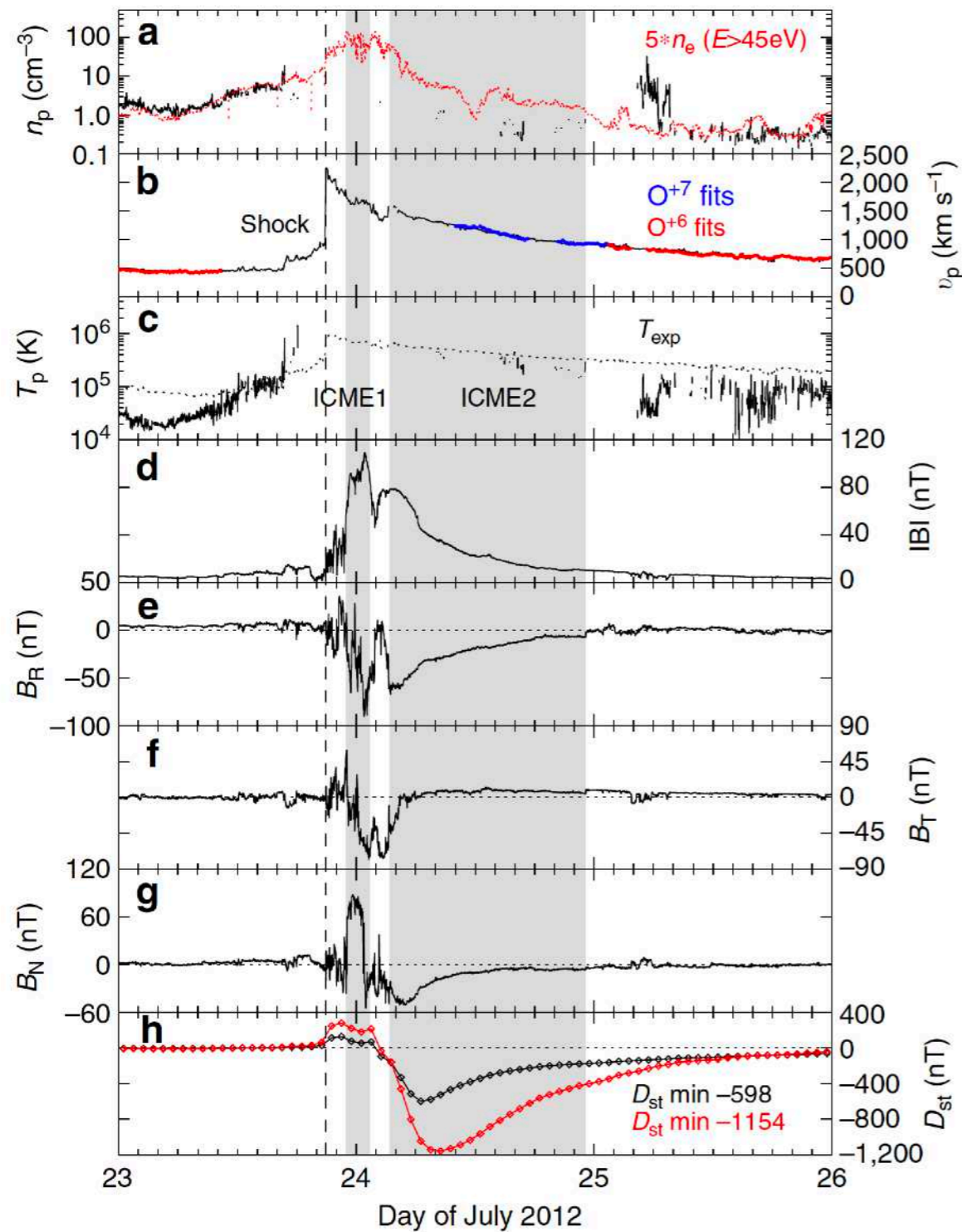
"Grand daddy"



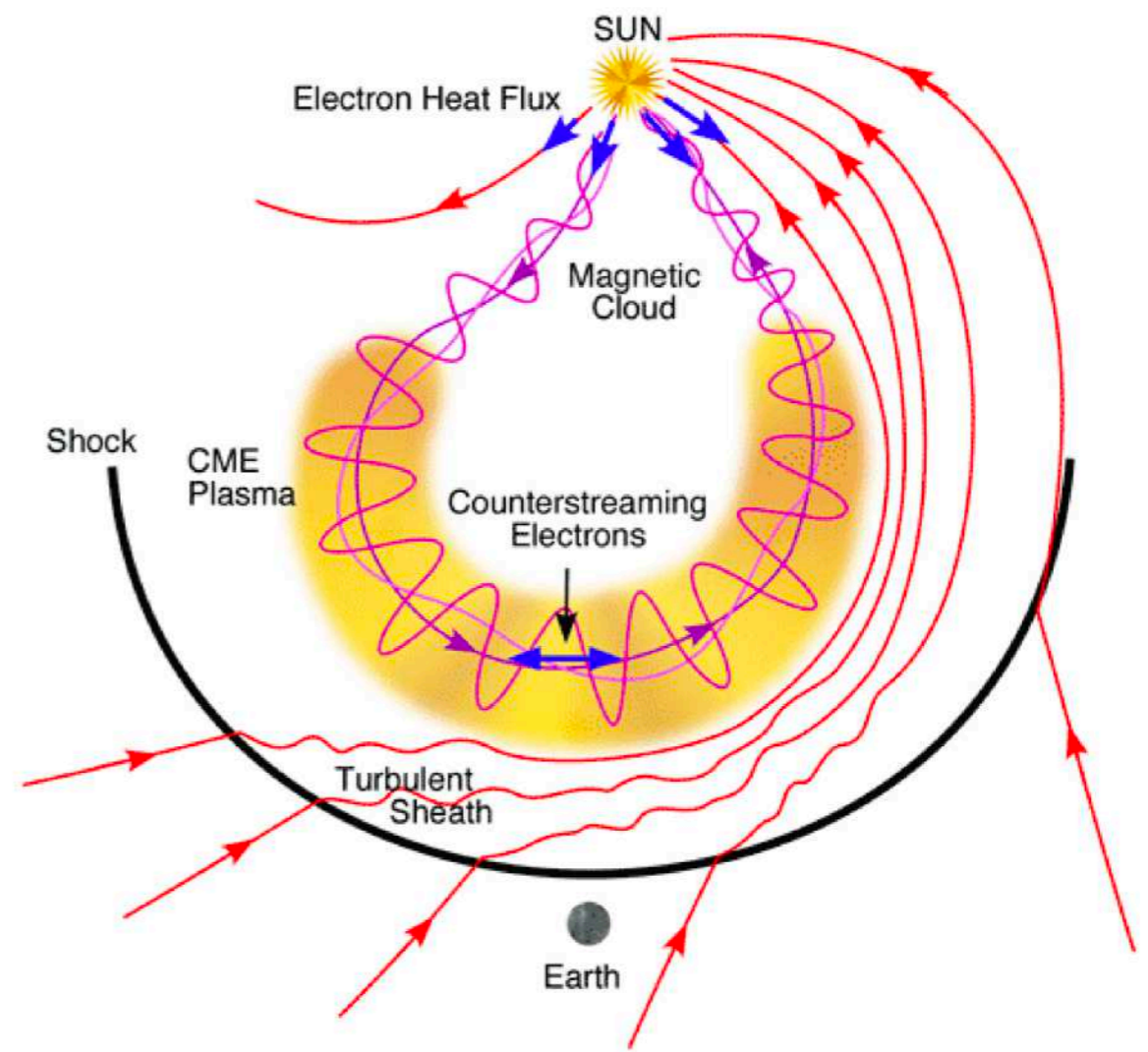
Martens & Kuin (1989)

CME Observation

"The Perfect Storm": Carrington level event



Liu et al. (2014)



Courtesy N. Murphy

Formation of Flux Rope

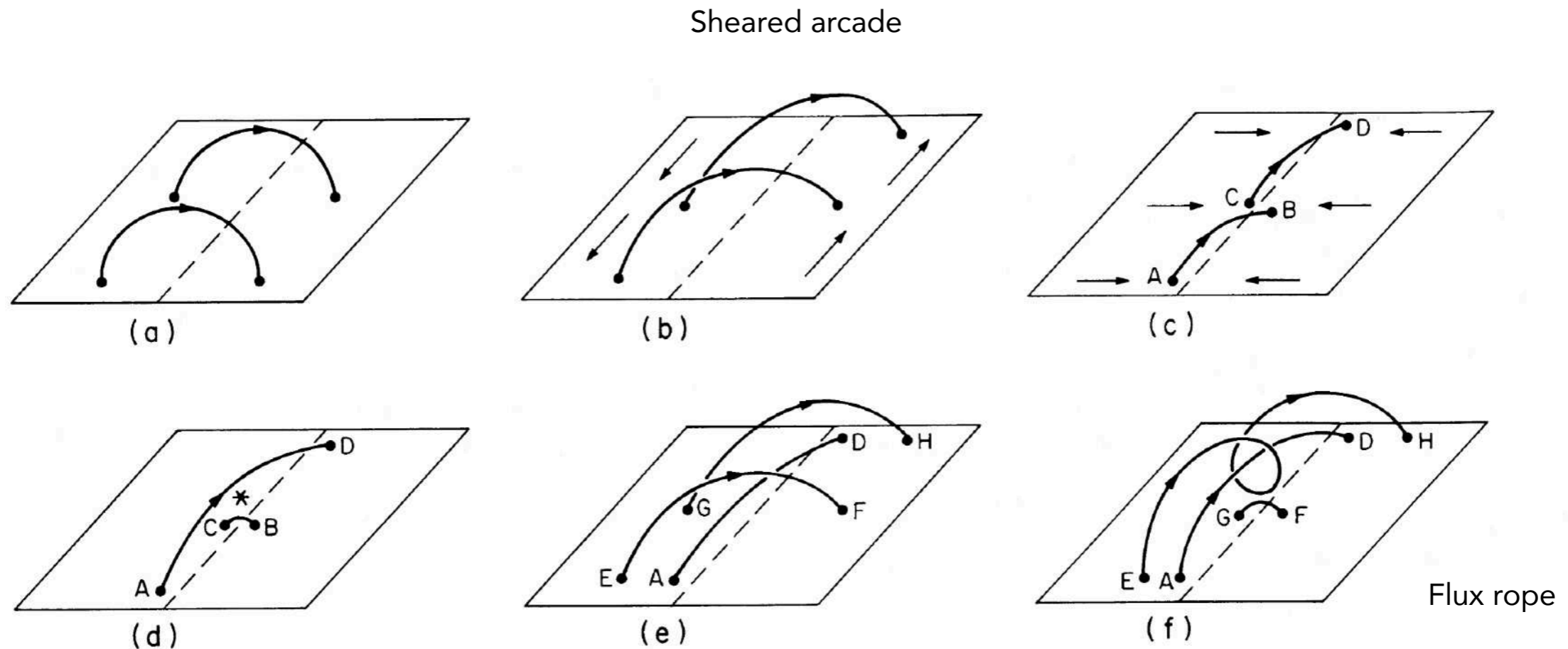
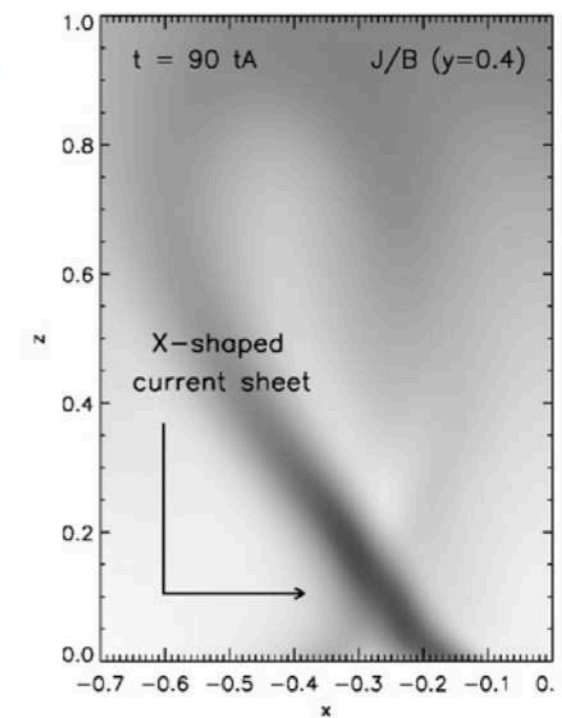
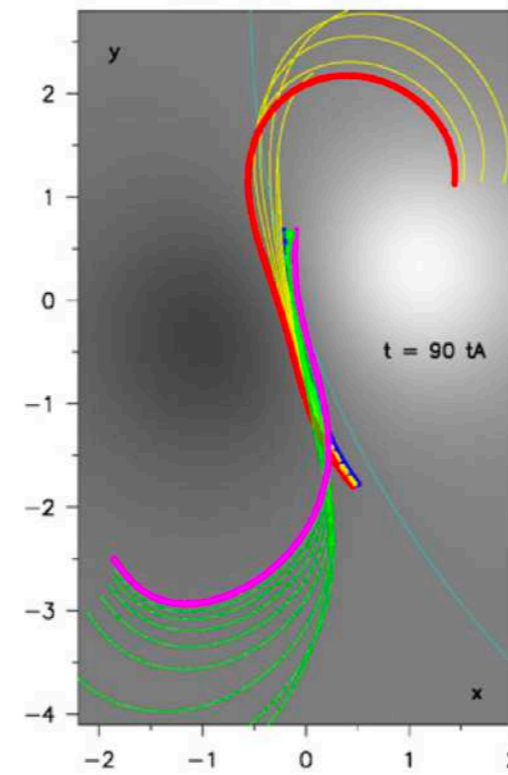
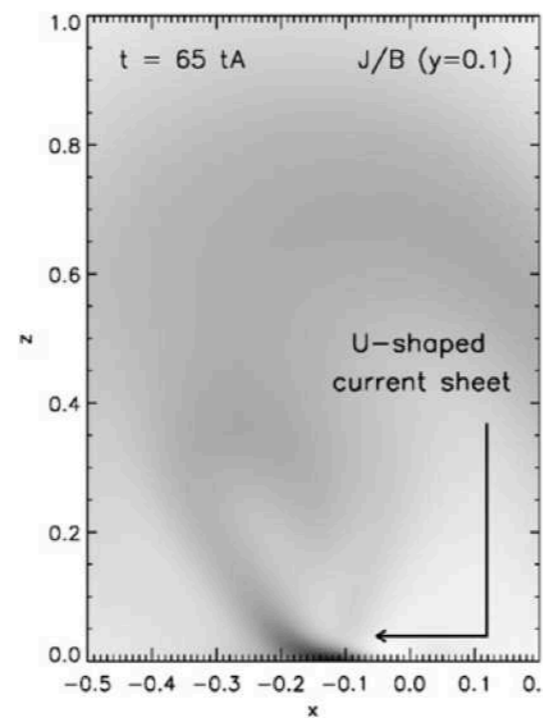
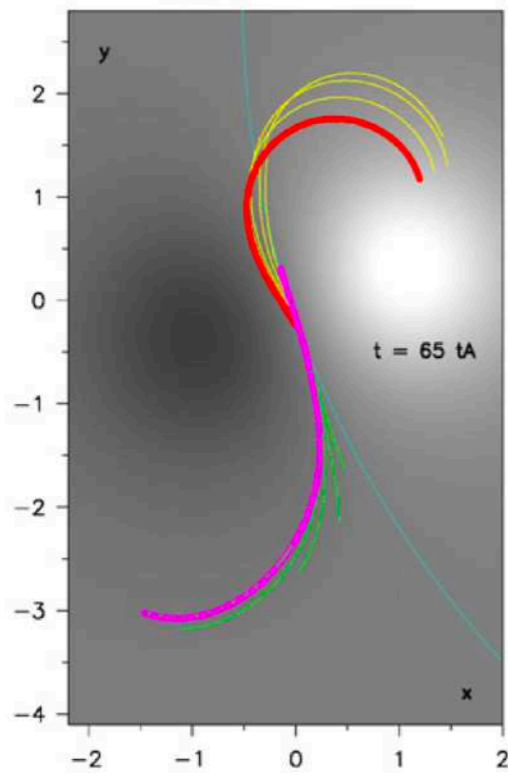
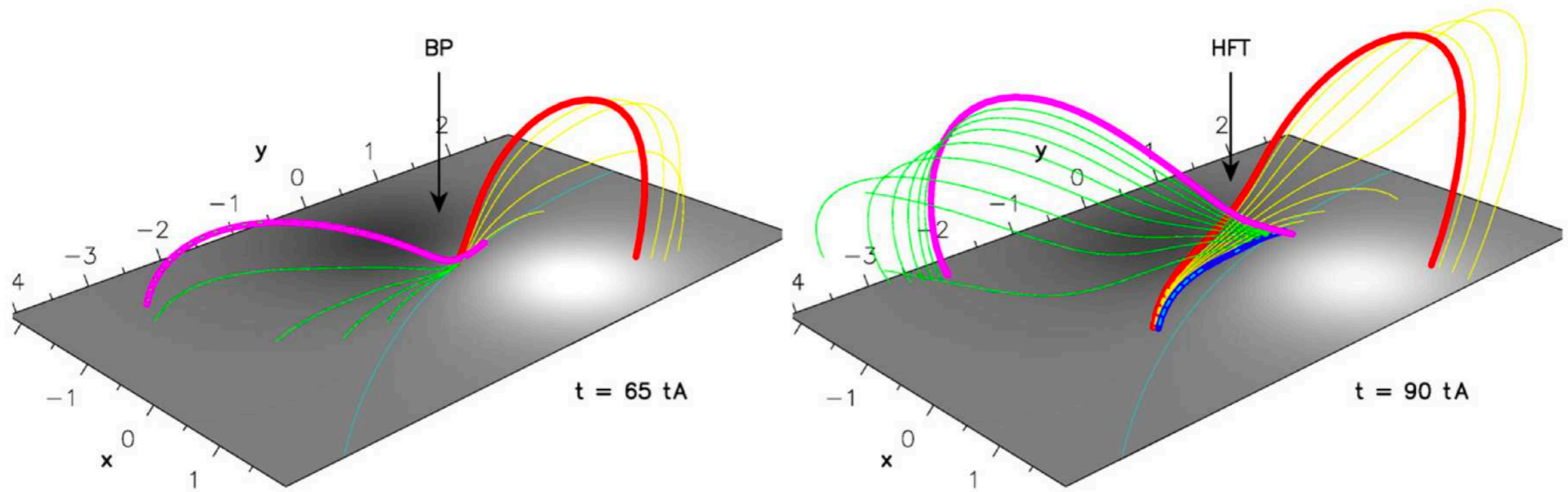
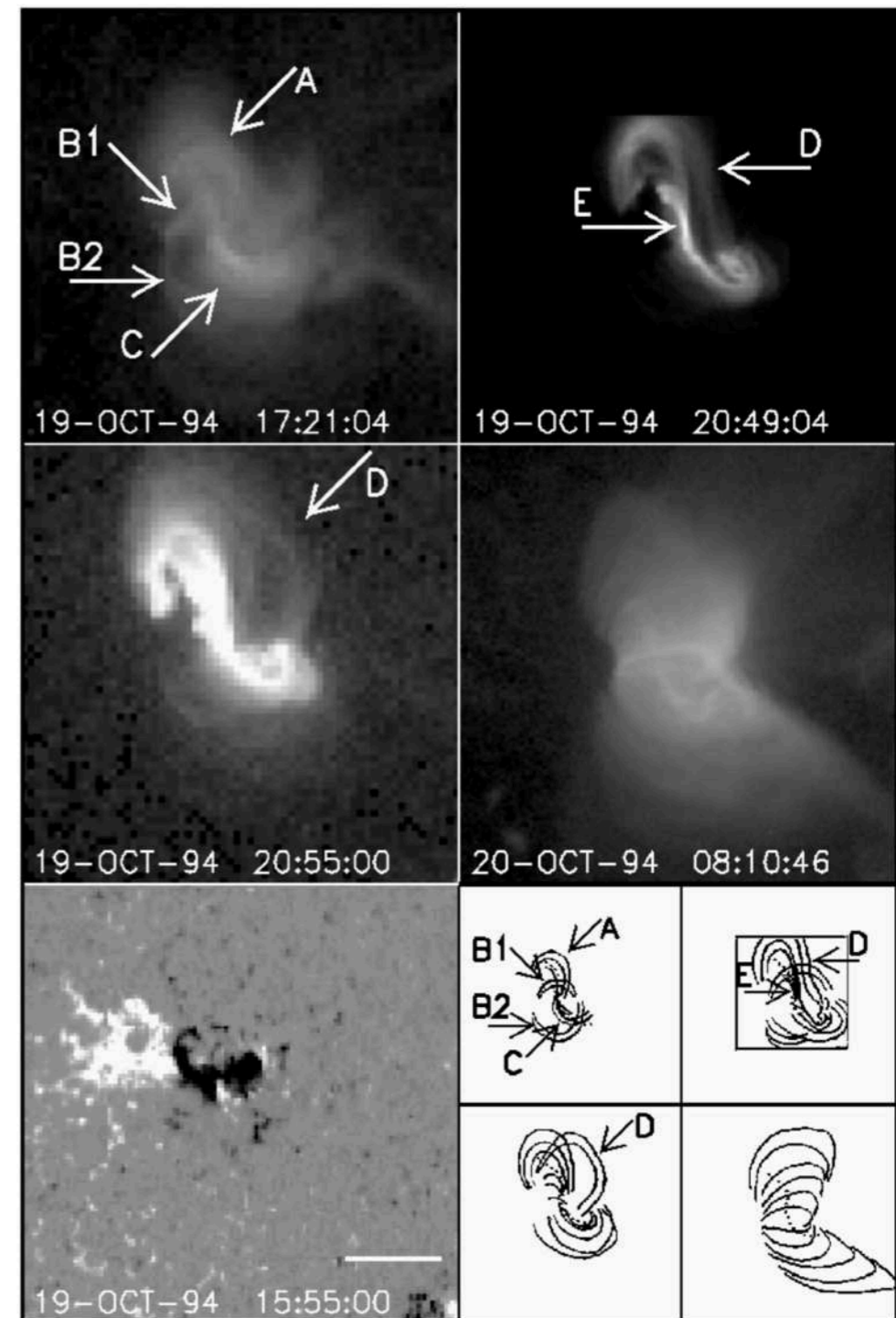
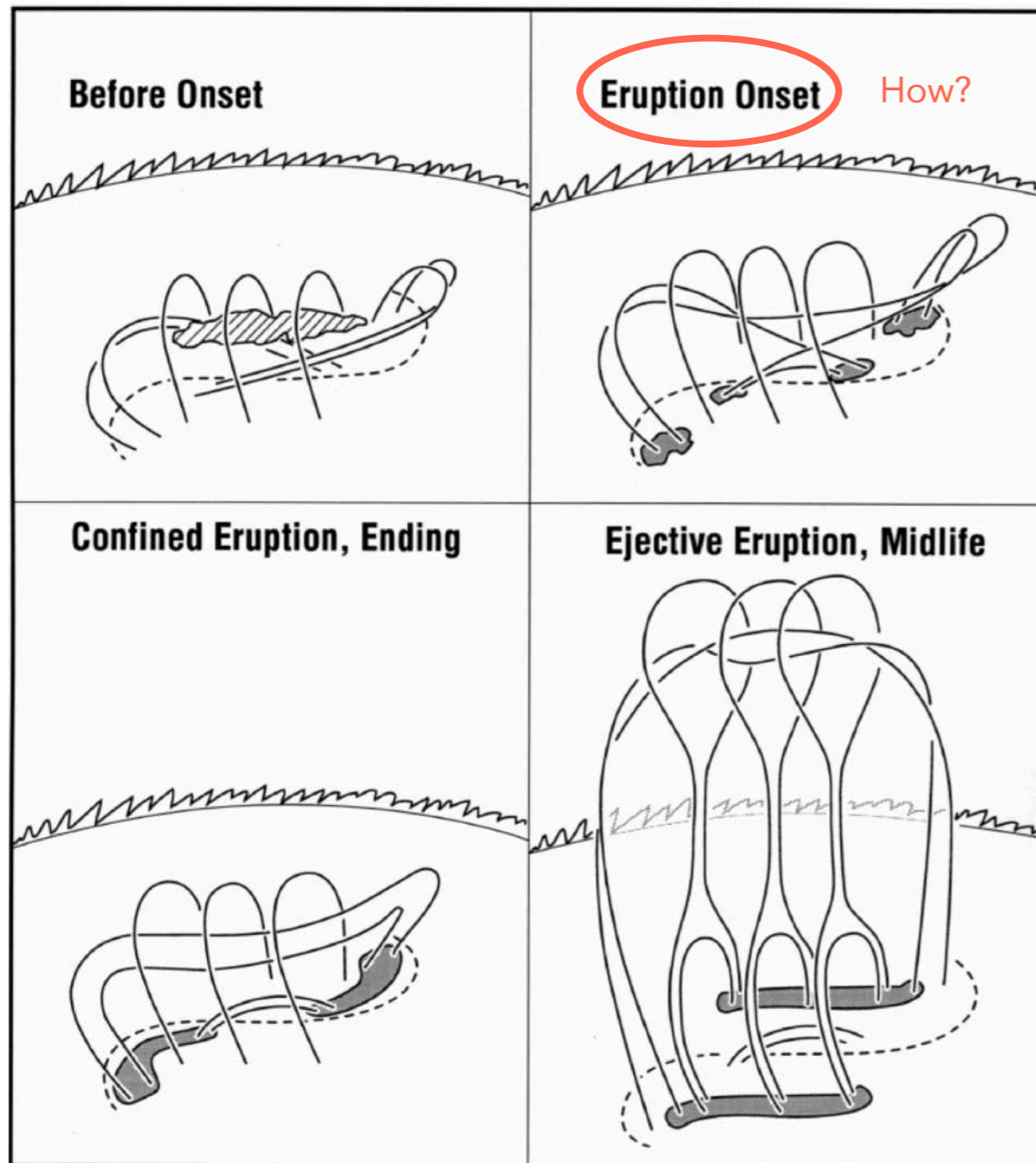


FIG. 1.—Flux cancellation in a sheared magnetic field. The rectangle represents the solar photosphere, and the dashed line is the neutral line separating two regions of opposite magnetic polarity. (a) Initial potential field; (b) sheared magnetic field produced by flows along the neutral line; (c) magnetic shear is increased further due to flows toward the neutral line; (d) reconnection produces long loop AD and a shorter loop CB which subsequently submerges; (e) overlying loops EF and GH are pushed to the neutral line; (f) reconnection produces the helical loop EH and a shorter loop GF which again submerges.

Formation of Flux Rope

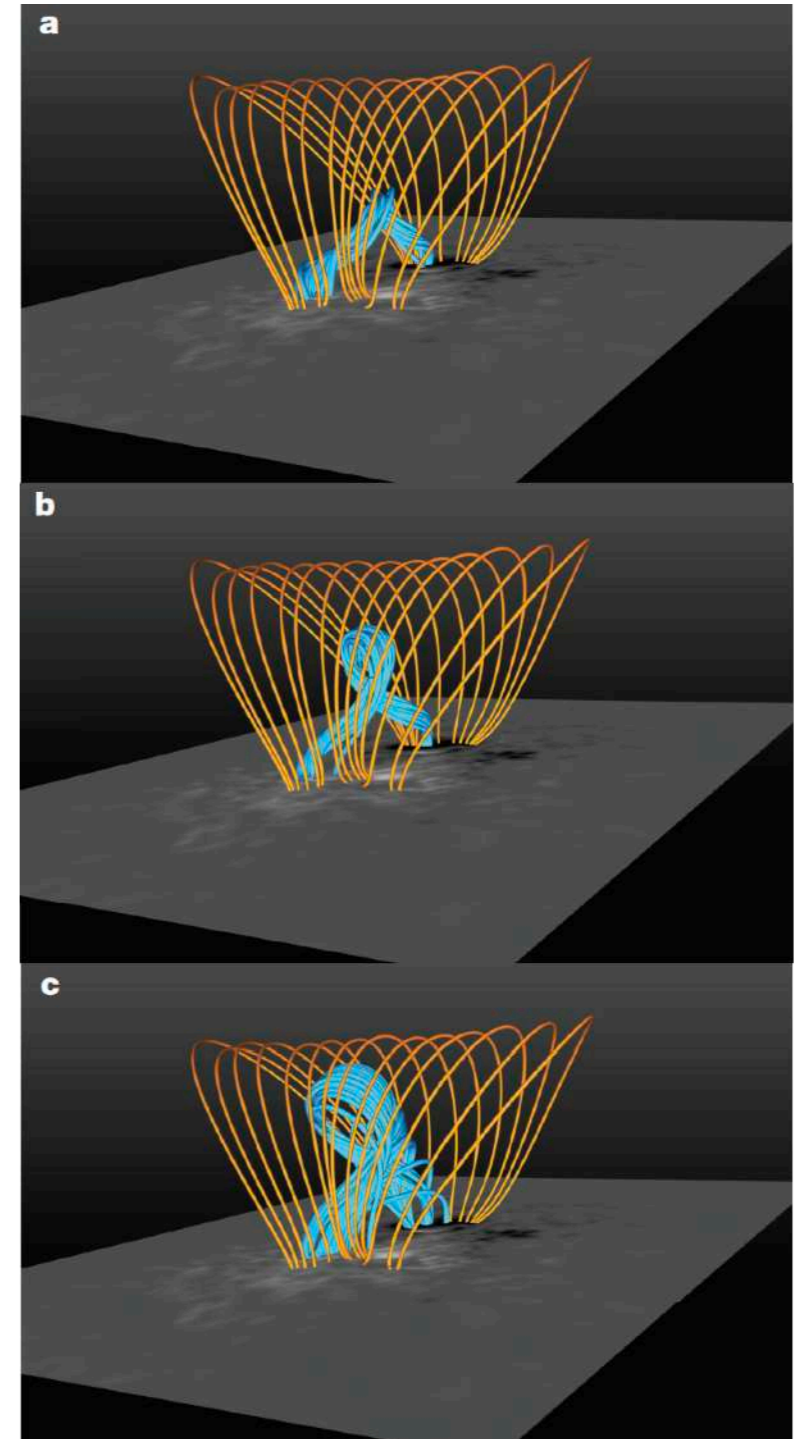


"Tether-Cutting" Reconnection



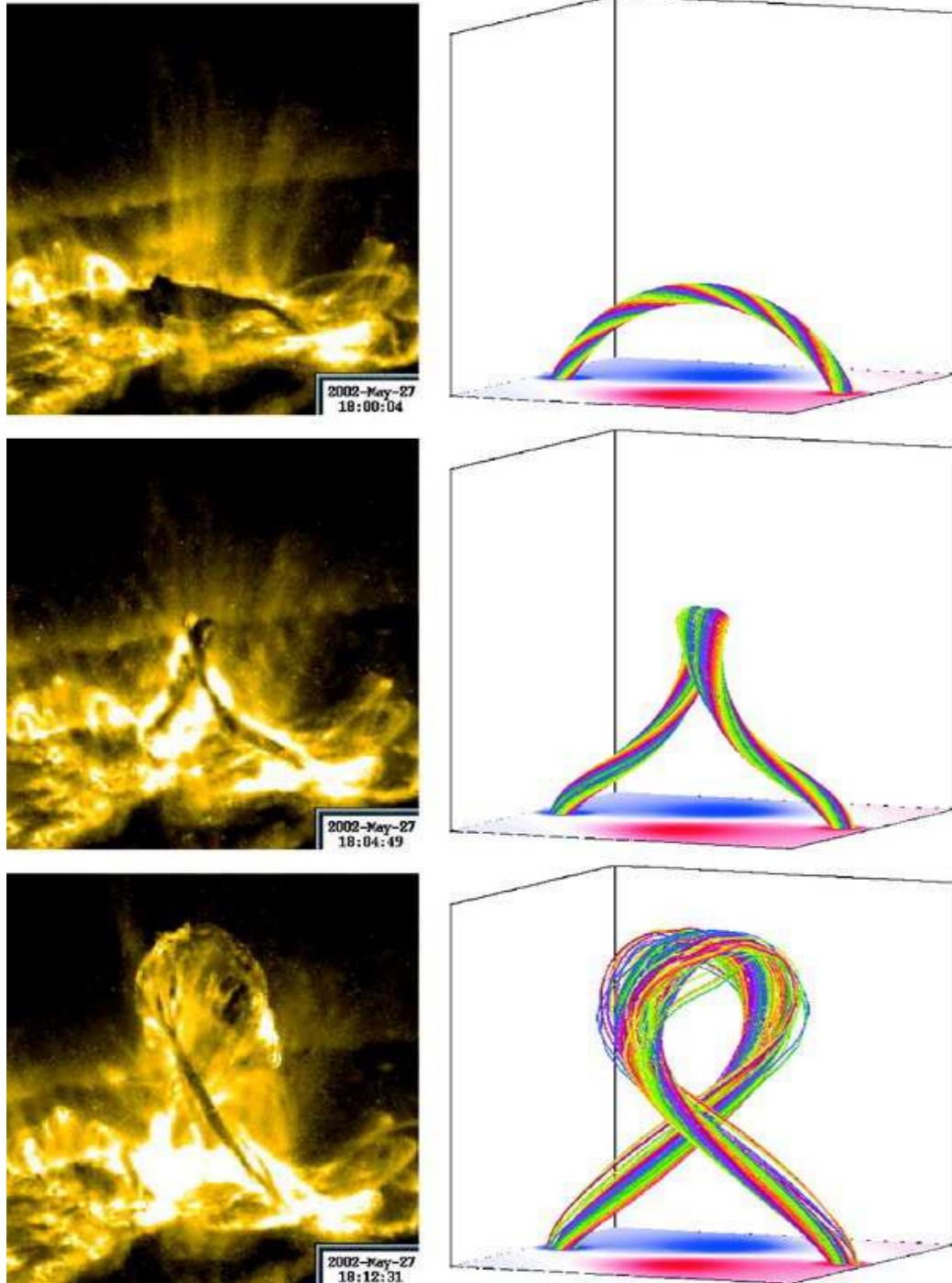
Onset of Eruption

- Possible upper limit of magnetic energy & helicity
- May or may not require pre-eruption FR
- Competition between “hoop force” from energized core field and confinement of overlying field
- Trigger & driver: instability vs reconnection
- Conversion of magnetic energy to kinetic energy

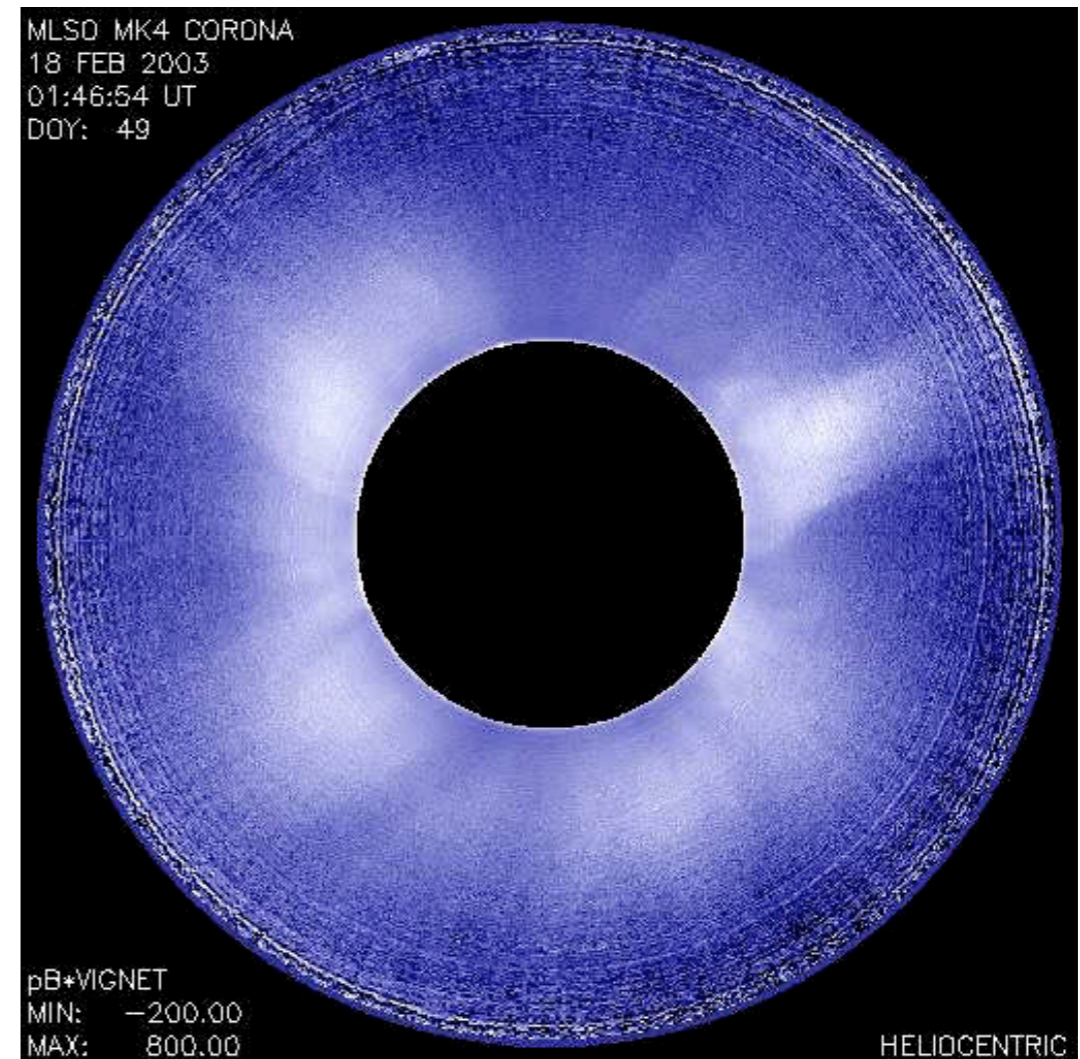


Kink Instability

- Twist greater than KI threshold => writhe
- Orientation wrt overlying field changes
- Equilibrium lost



Török & Kliem (2005)



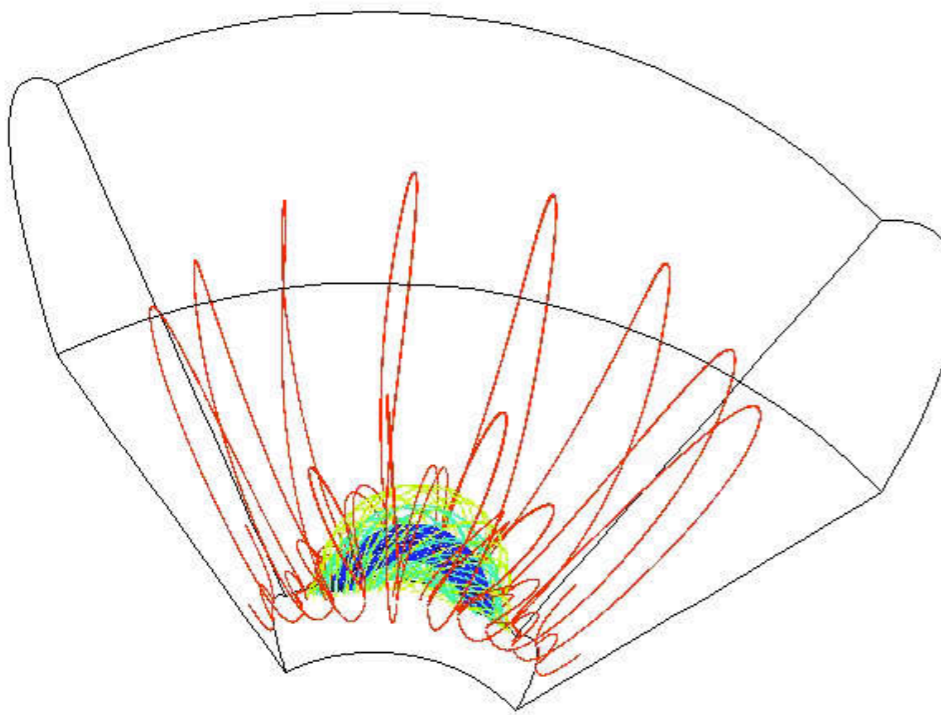
Fan (2005)

Torus Instability

- Overlying field decays fast with height
- Hoop force becomes greater than confinement
- Equilibrium lost

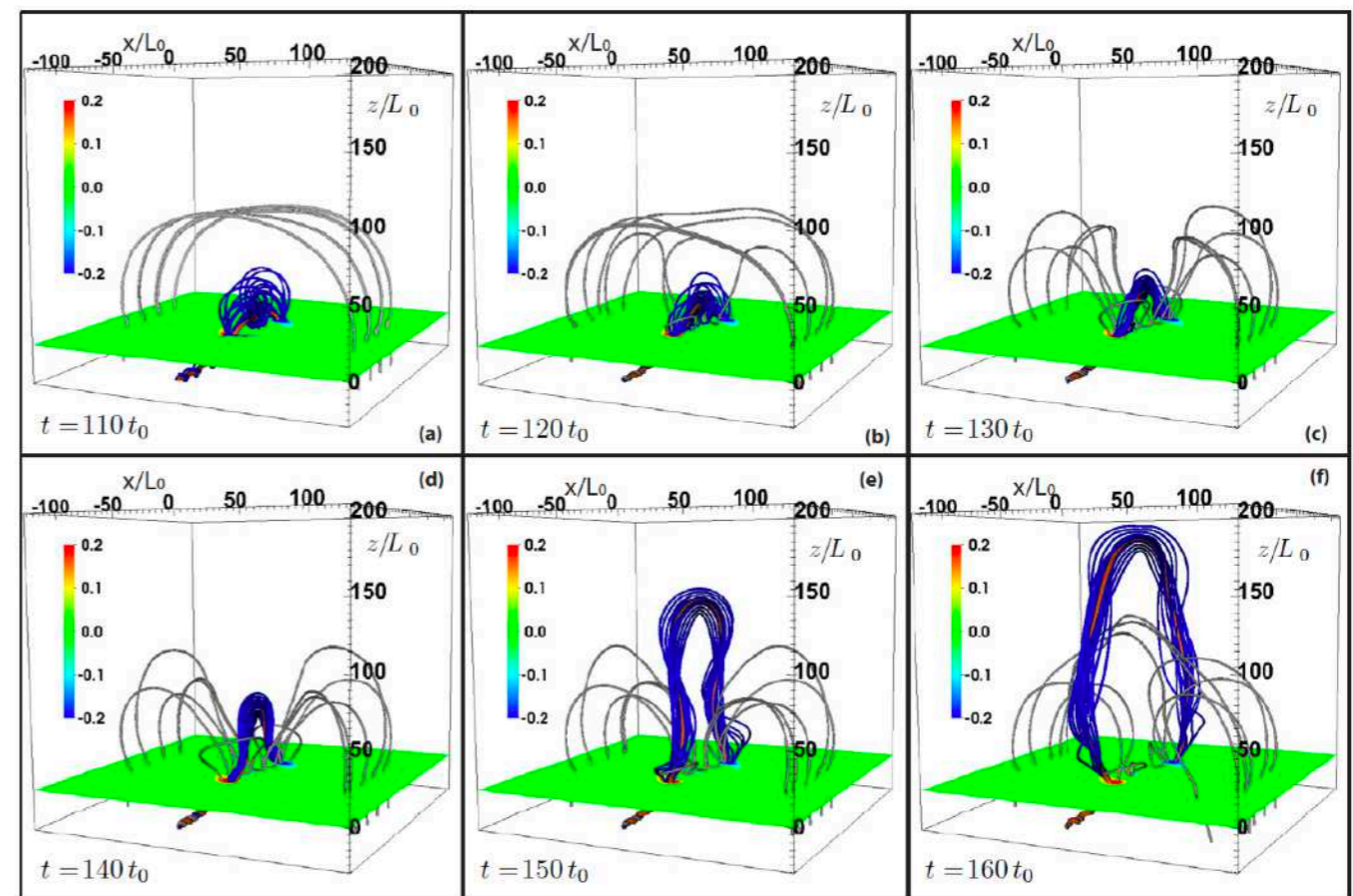
Failed eruption + flux emergence + TI

Flux emergence + breakout reconnection + TI



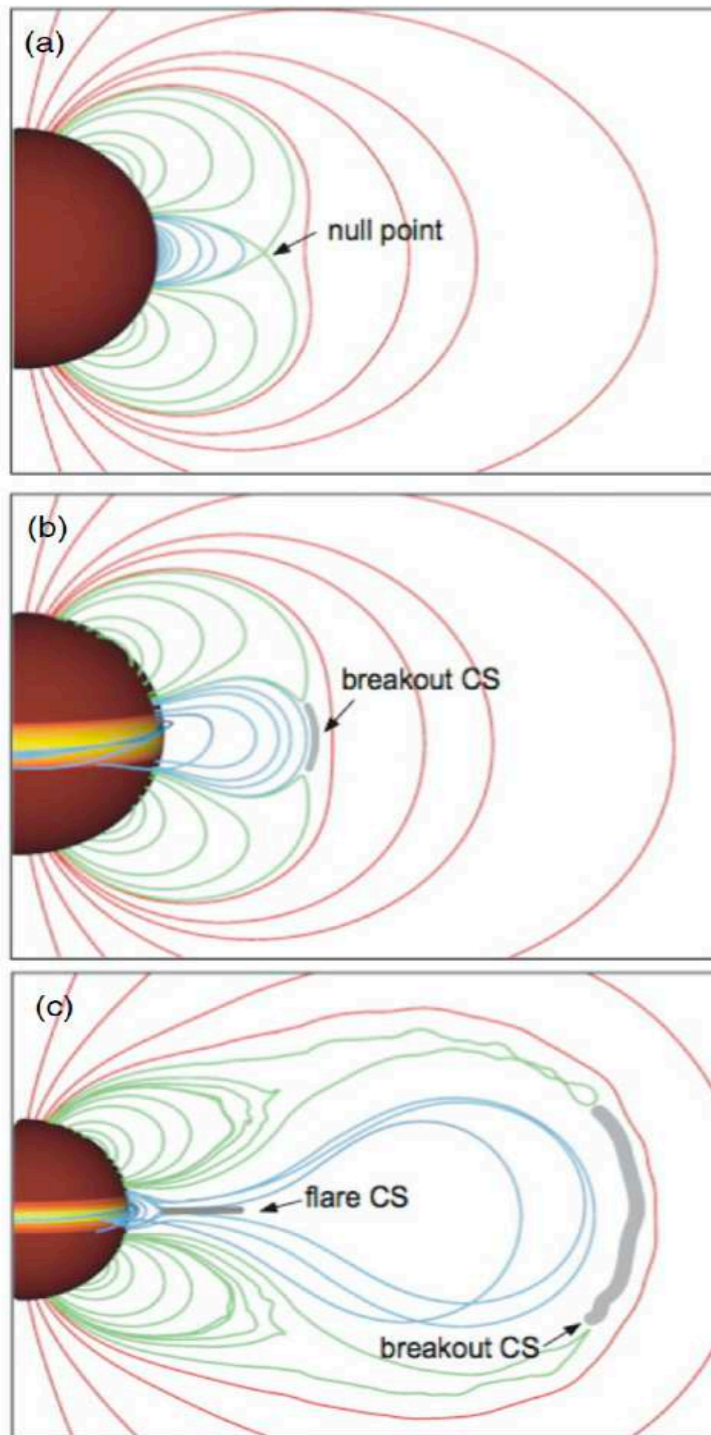
Case T: $t = 30 (R_S/V_{A0})$

Fan & Gibson (2007)

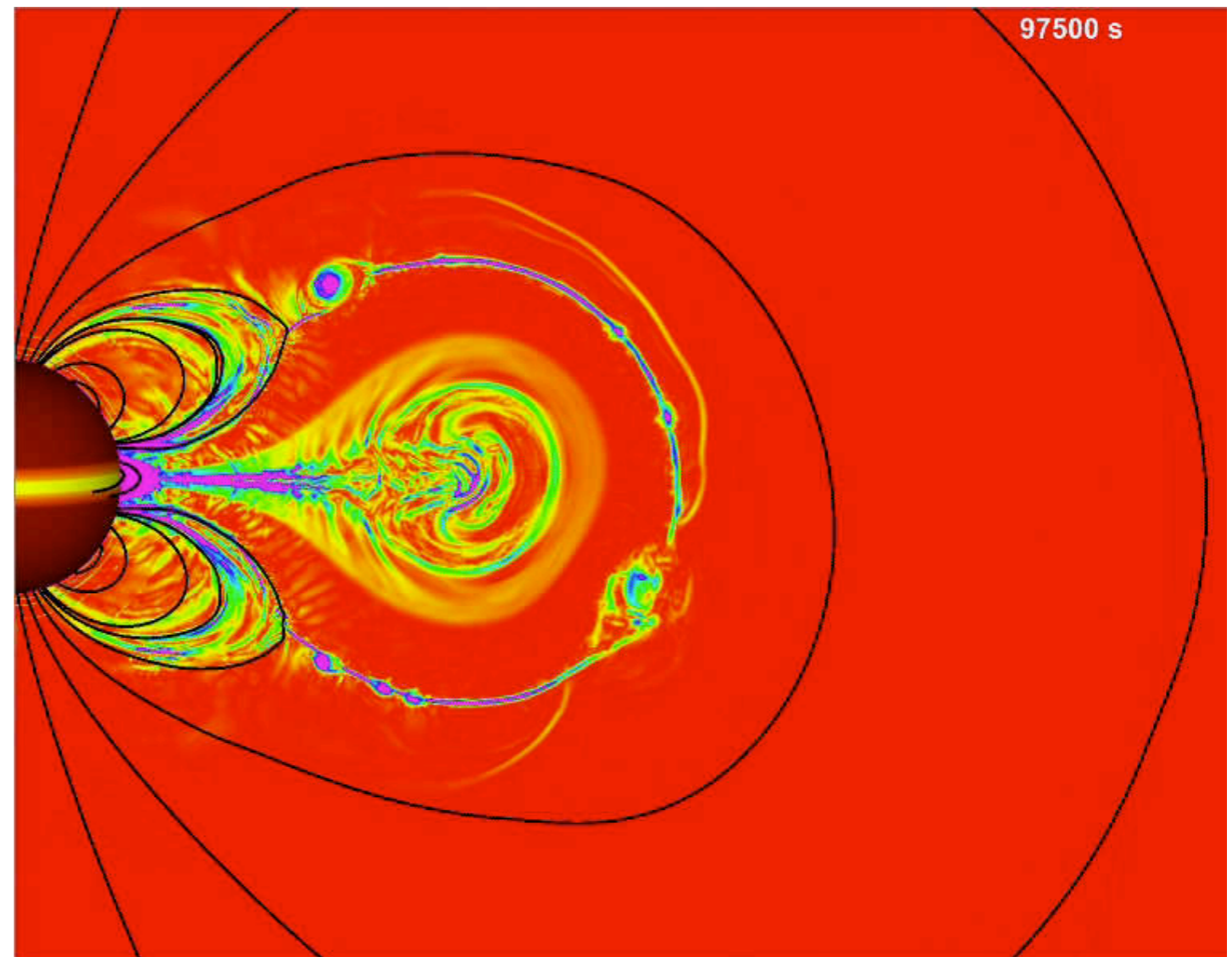


Leake et al. (2014)

Magnetic Breakout



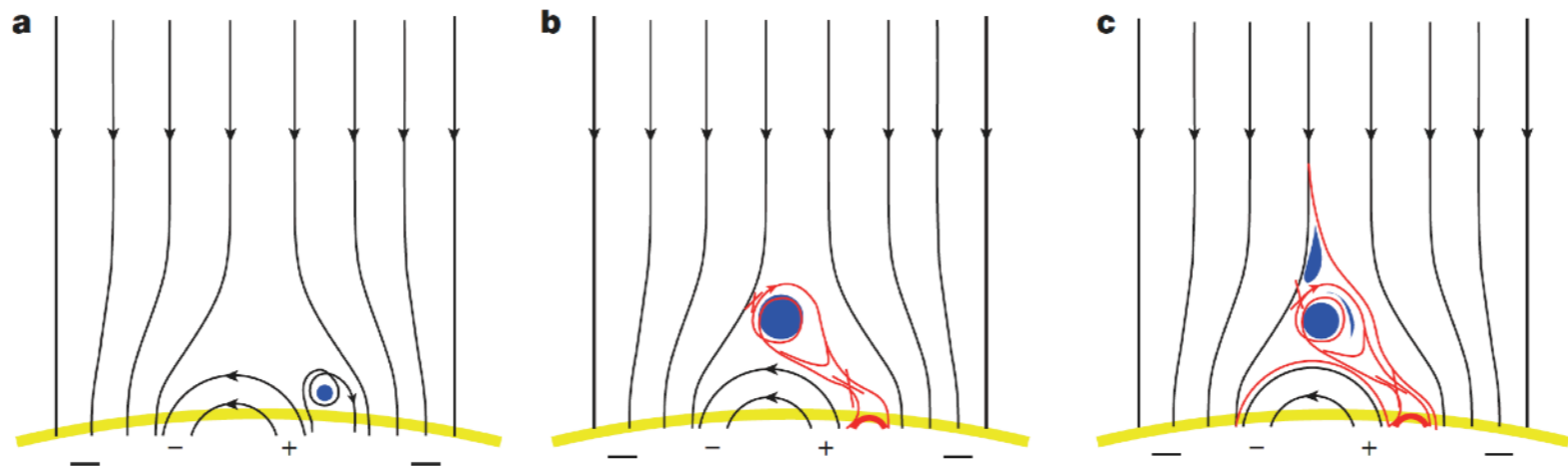
- Multipolar field + shearing needed
- No pre-existing FR required: formed during eruption
- Reconnection essential



Jet!

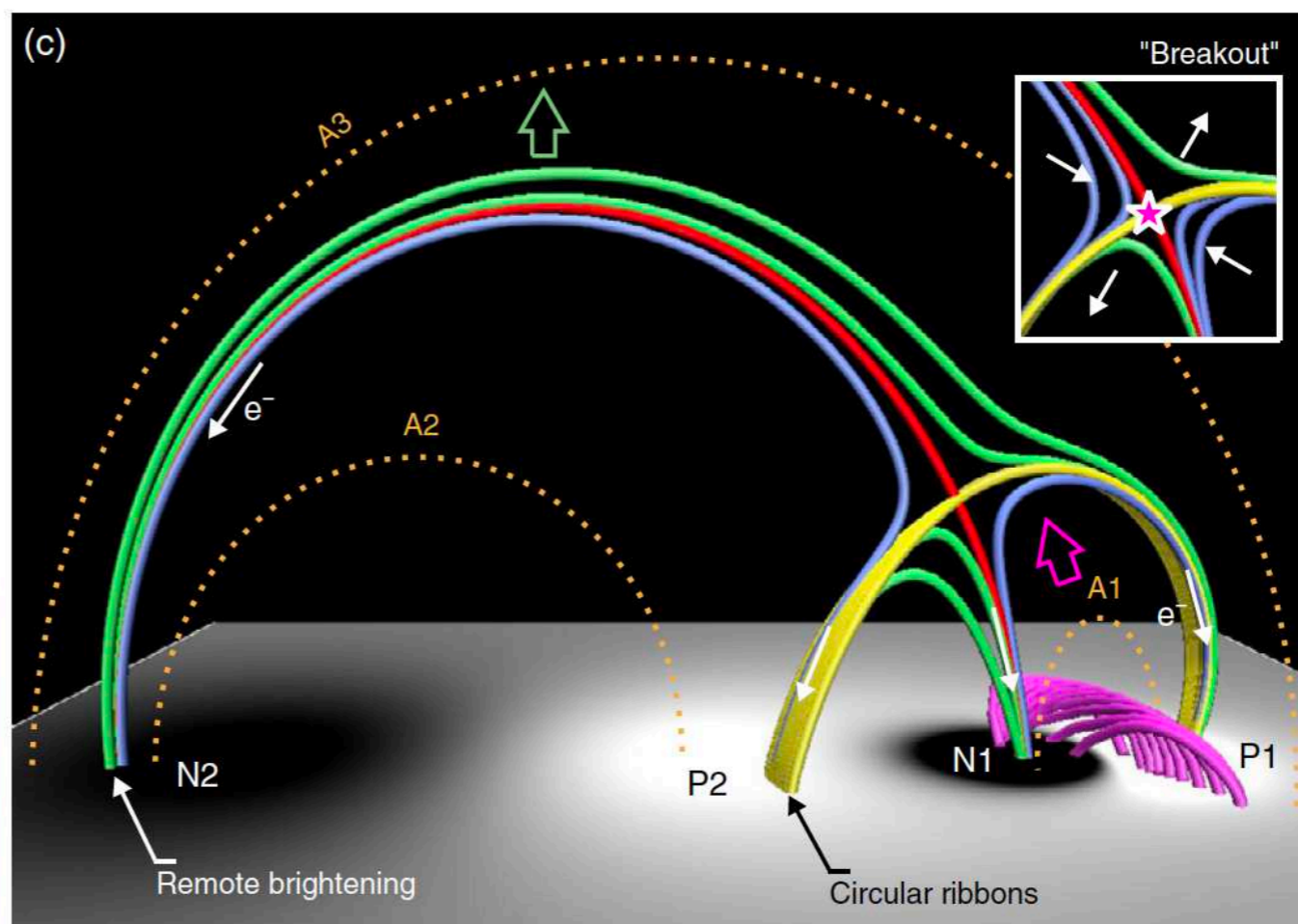
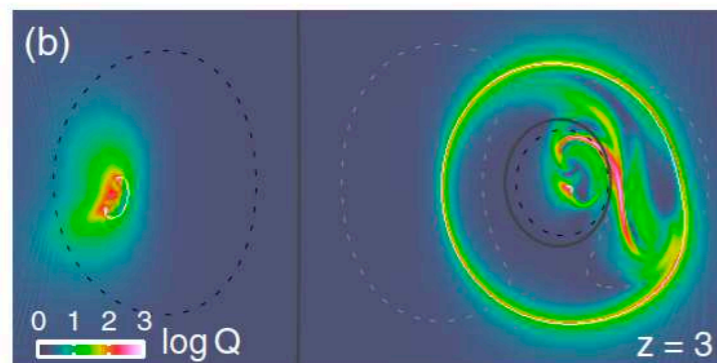
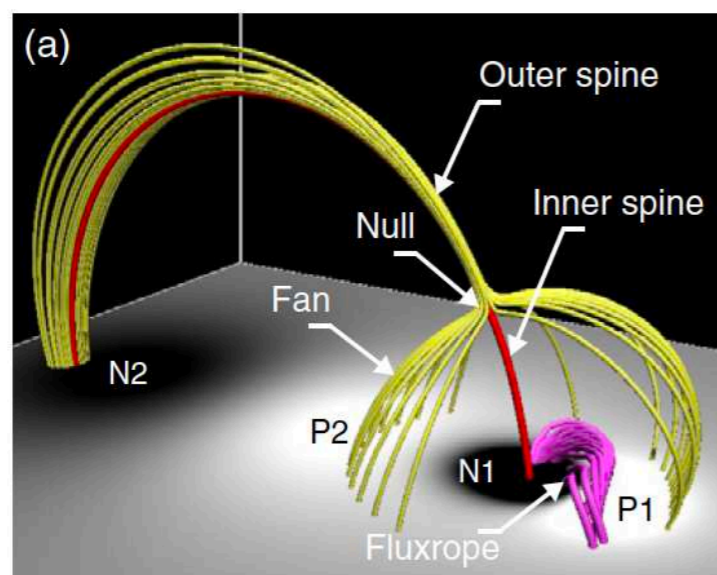
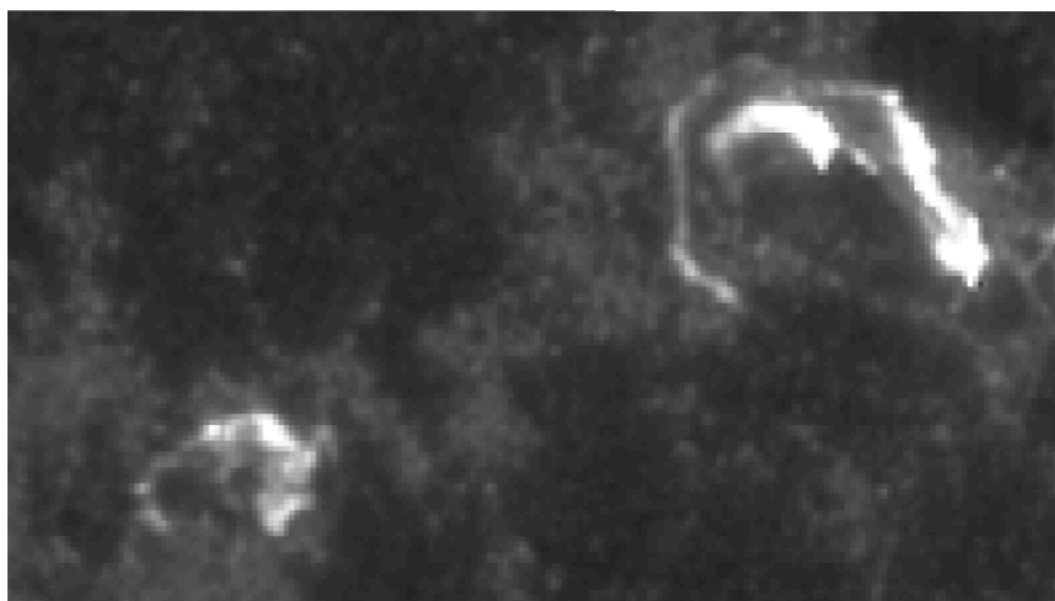
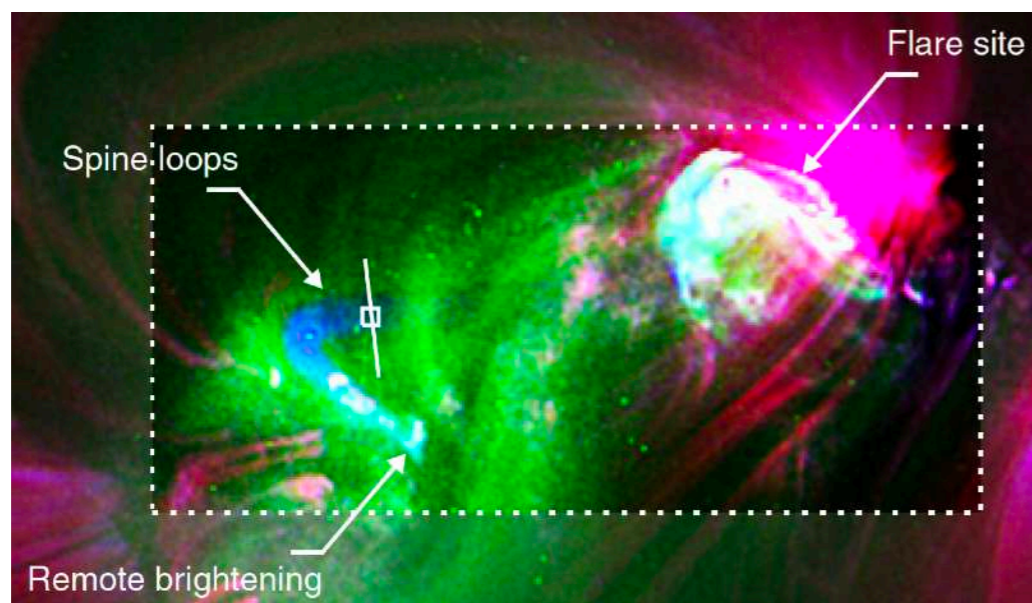


Cirrain et al. (2007)

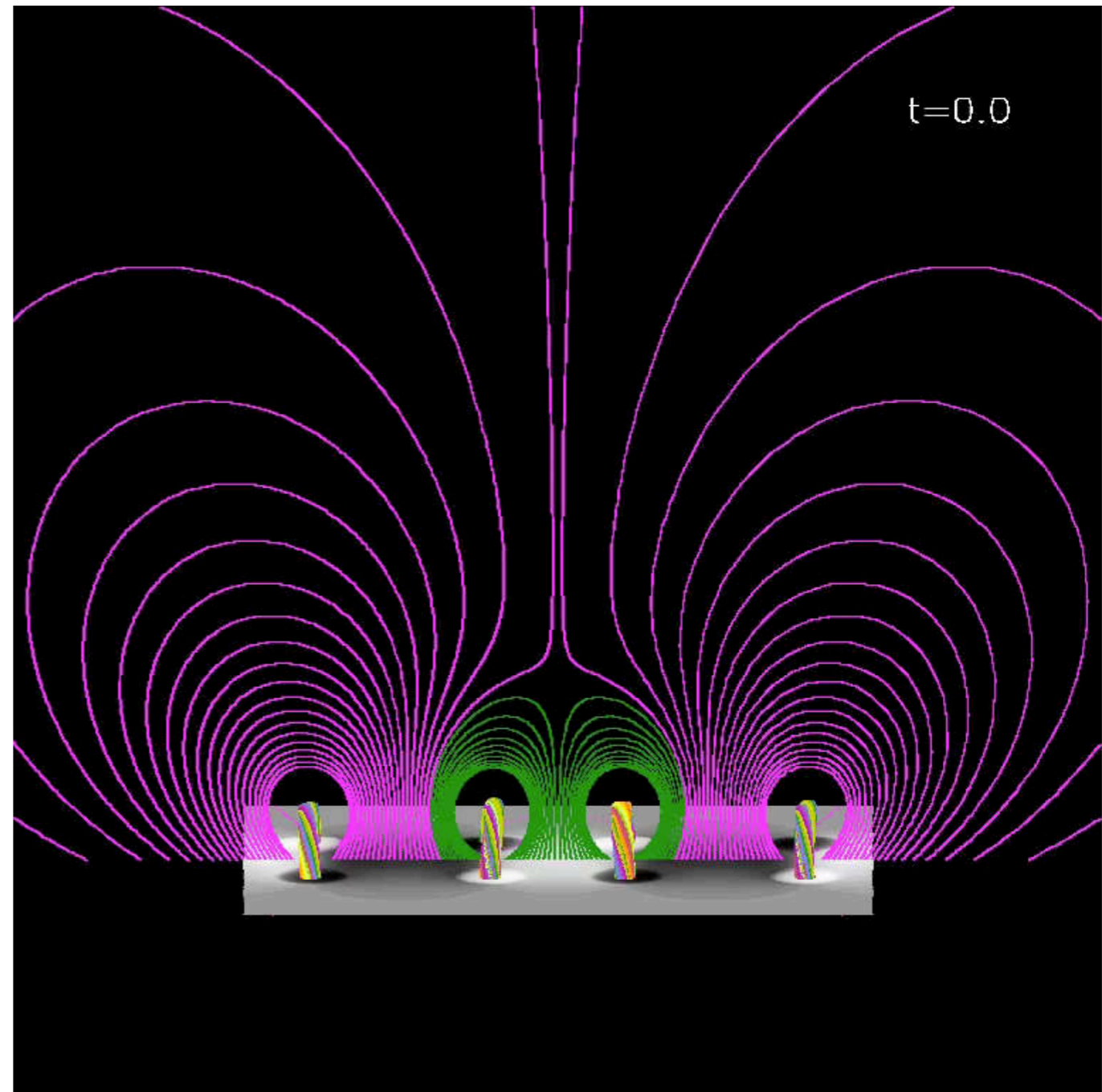
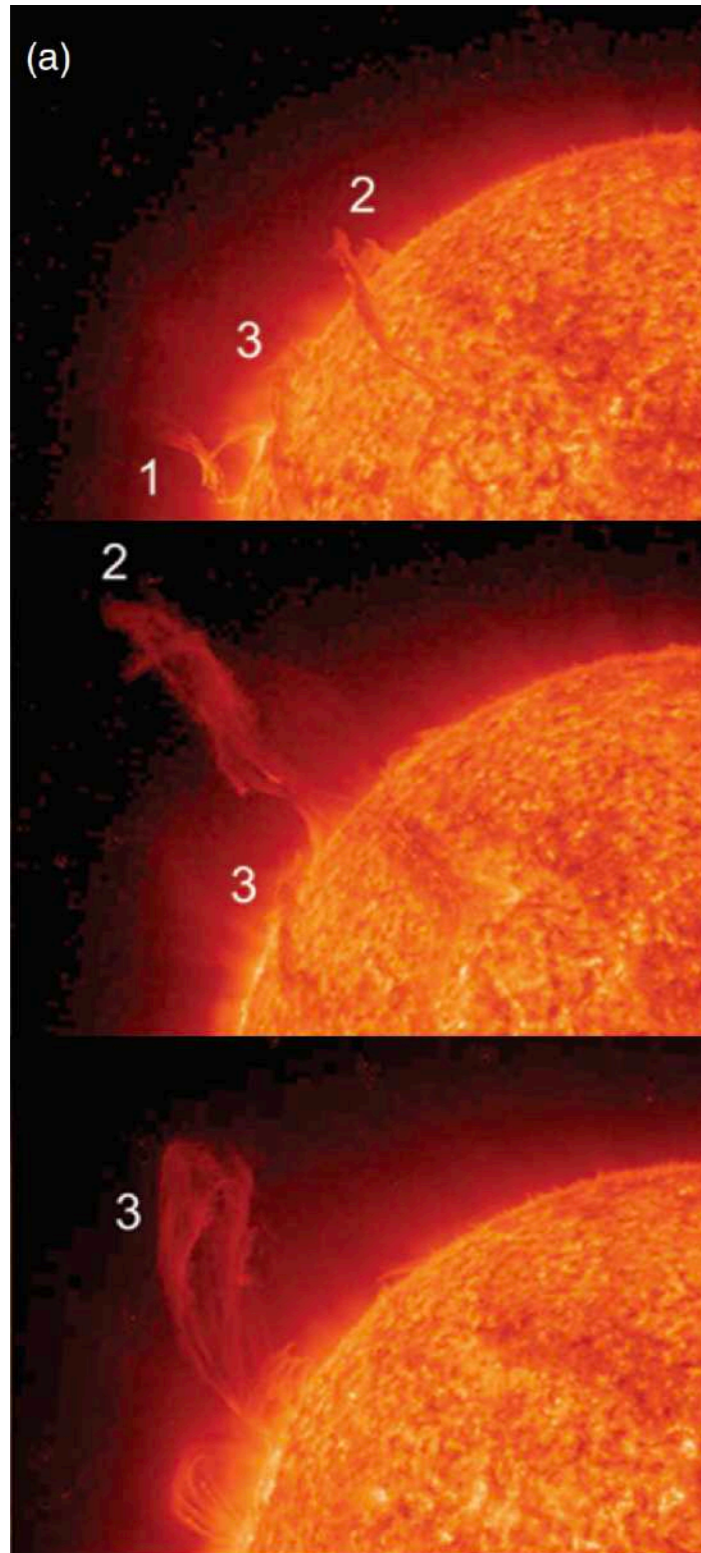


Sterling et al. (2015)

Fan-Spine Topology



Sympathetic Eruptions



Schrijver & Title (2011); Török et al. (2011); Titov et al. (2012)