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CMES ERUPTIONS WITH VERY INTENSE UV EMISSION OBSERVED WITH THE METIS CORONAGRAPH ON-BOARD SOLAR ORBITER

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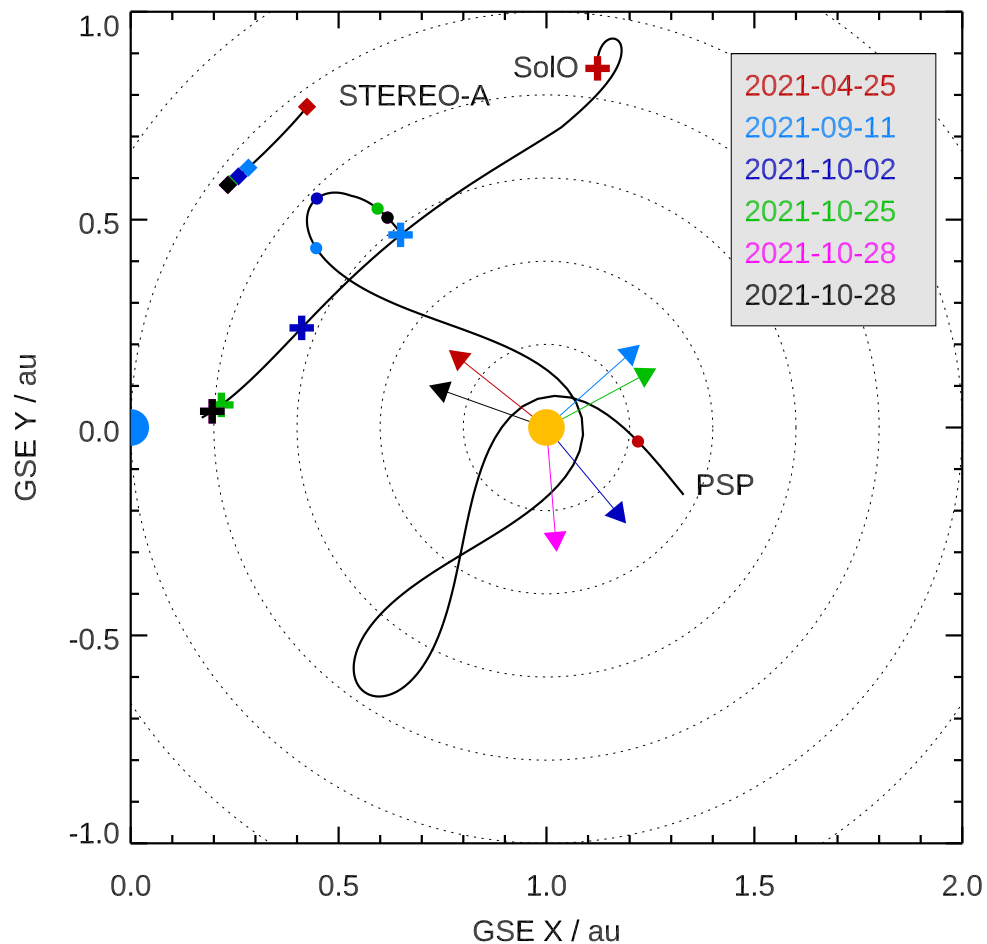
24-26 January 2024

SIX ERUPTIVE EVENTS, APRIL - OCTOBER 2021

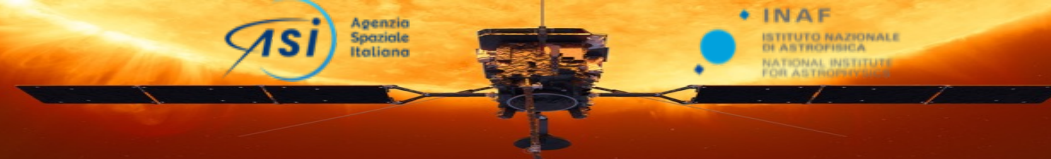
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Eruptive events with exceptionally bright emission in H α Ly- α observed by the Metis coronagraph

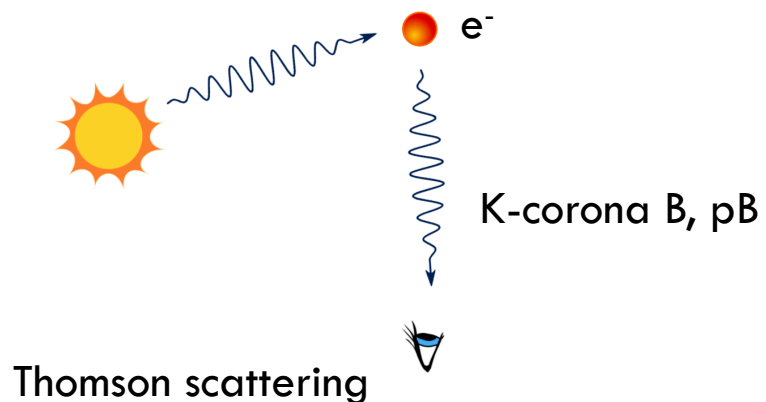
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- Characterization of six UV bright eruptions during Solar Orbiter cruise phase
 - 25-26 April 2021
 - 11 September 2021
 - 2 October 2021
 - 25 October 2021
 - 28 October 2021 NW and SE
- Study on morphology, kinematics and discussion on general features of pB and UV emissions



SOLAR CORONA EMISSION WITH METIS

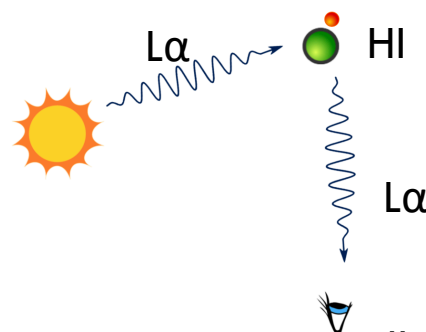


Polarized Visible-Light emission:

- evolution of plasma electron density
- kinematic properties (e.g. white light imaging with STEREO and SOHO/LASCO)

UV emission:

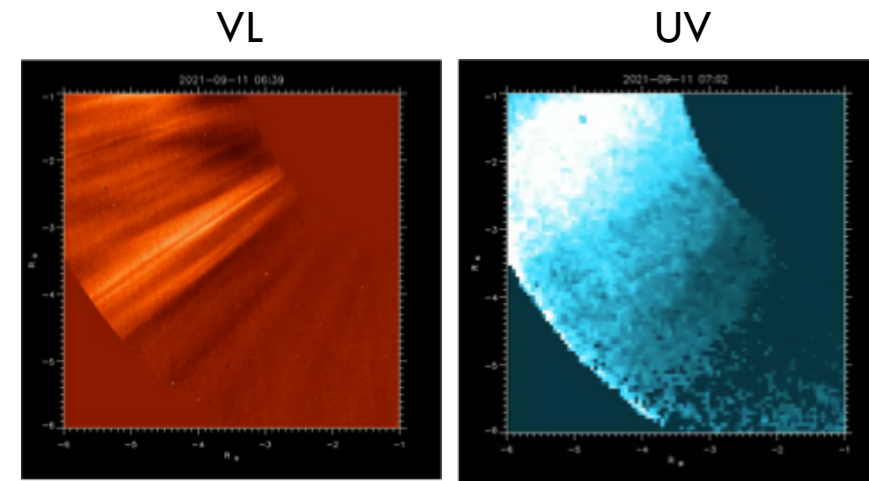
- plasma temperatures
- inflow velocity
- elemental composition variations (e.g. Coronagraph Spectrometer SOHO/UVCS)



Resonant scattering + collision with e⁻

Metis provides direct imaging in UV HI Ly- α

Unprecedented spatial and temporal resolution



September 11, 2021

Russano et al. A&A, in press (2024)



11/09/2021 OVERVIEW

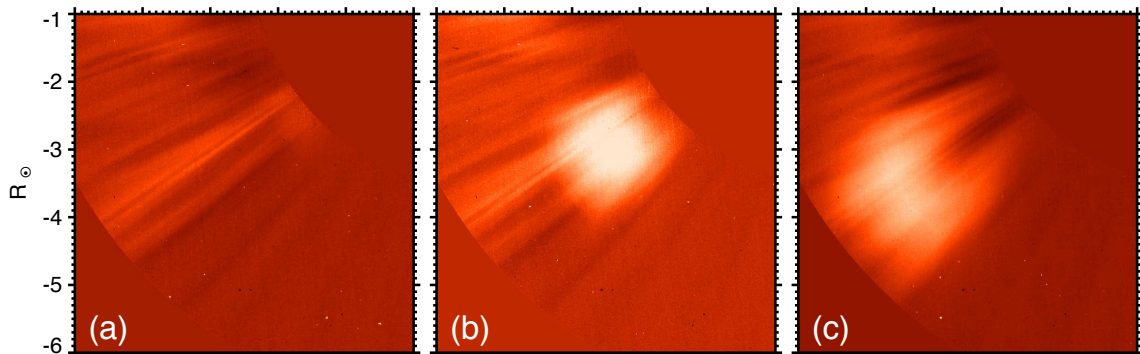
Metis pB
Base
difference

CME front

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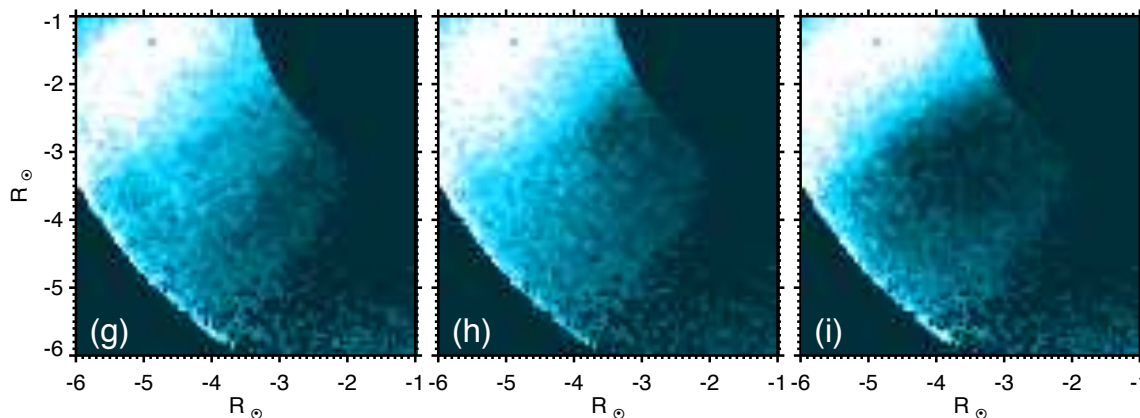
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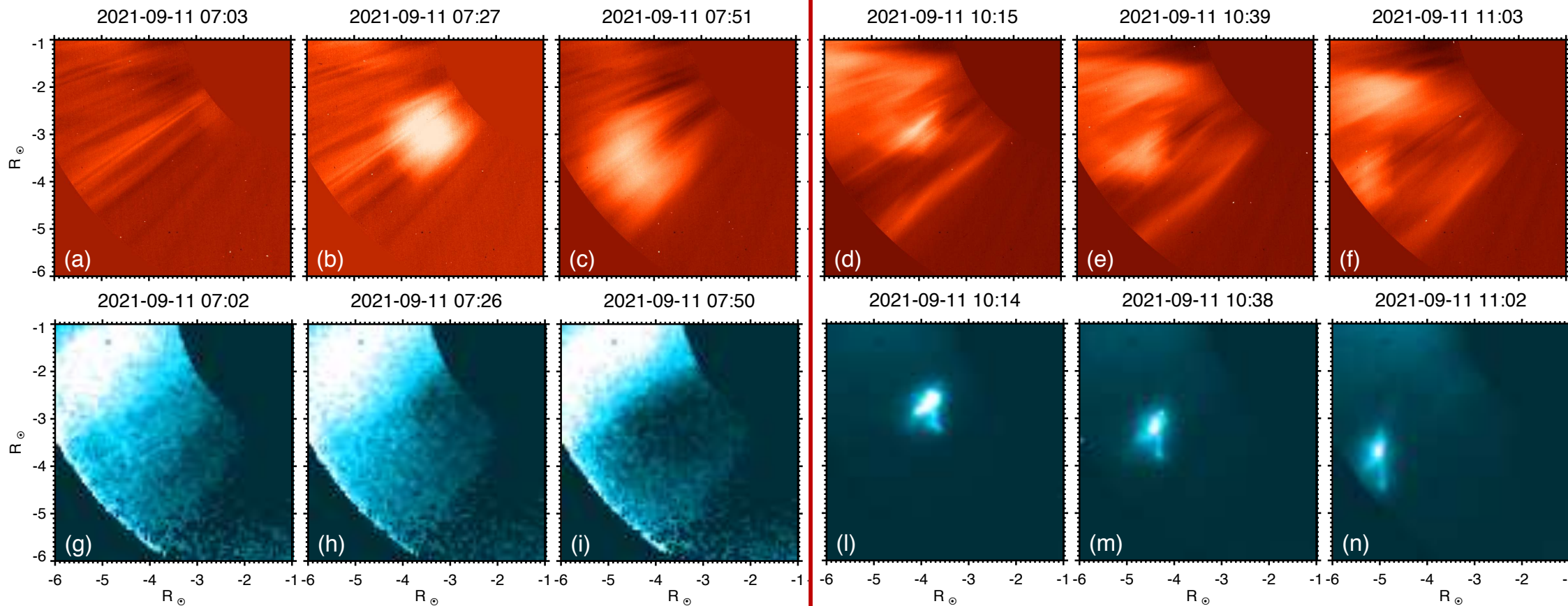


11/09/2021 OVERVIEW

Metis pB
Base
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CME front

CME bright core

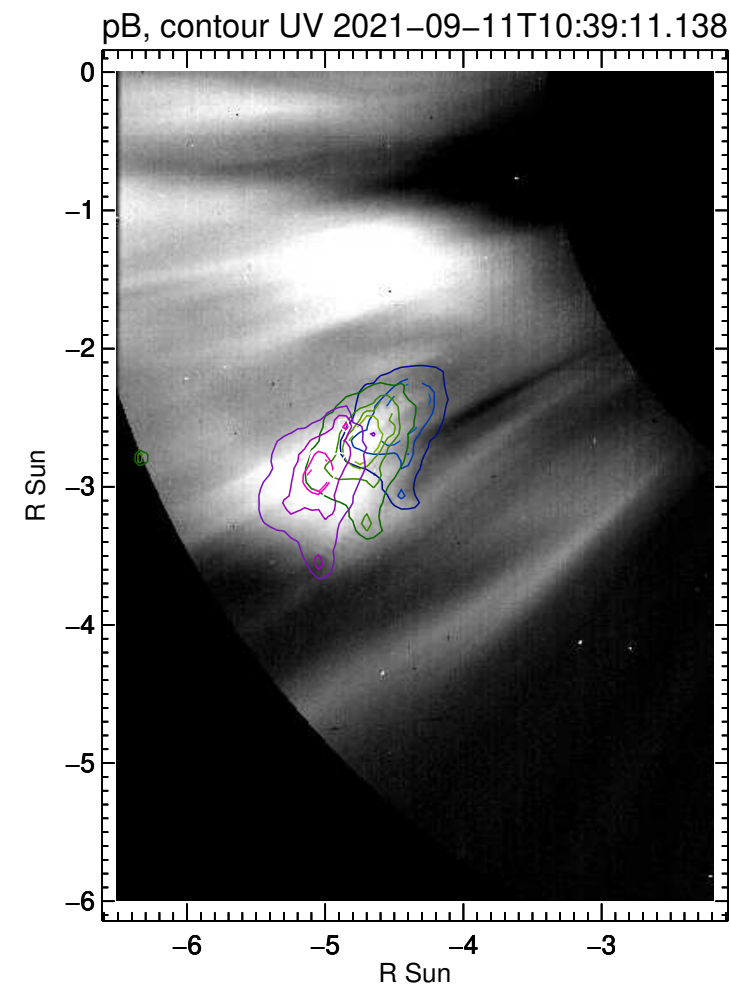
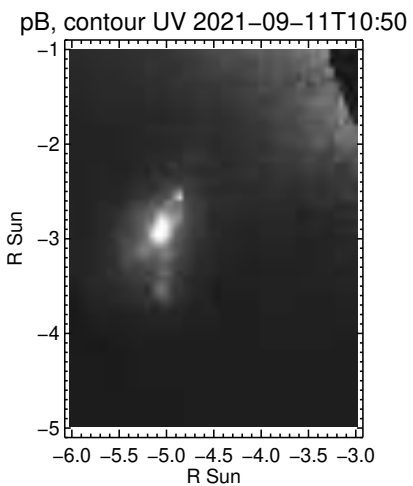
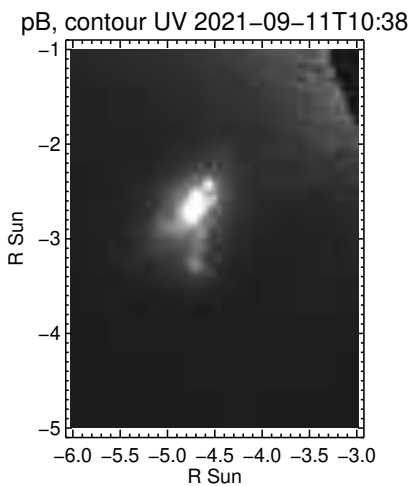
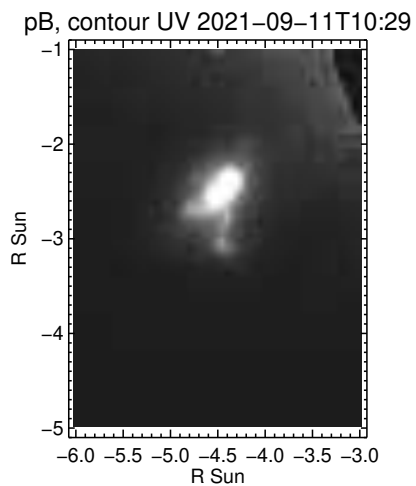
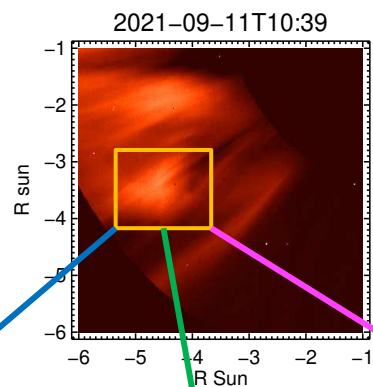




TIME AND SPACE RESOLUTION

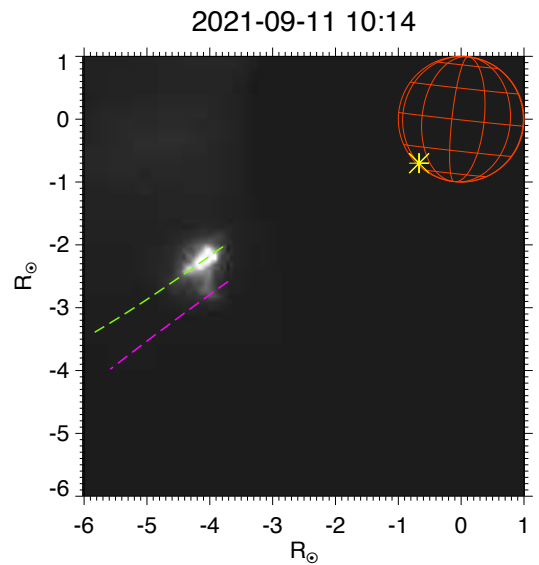
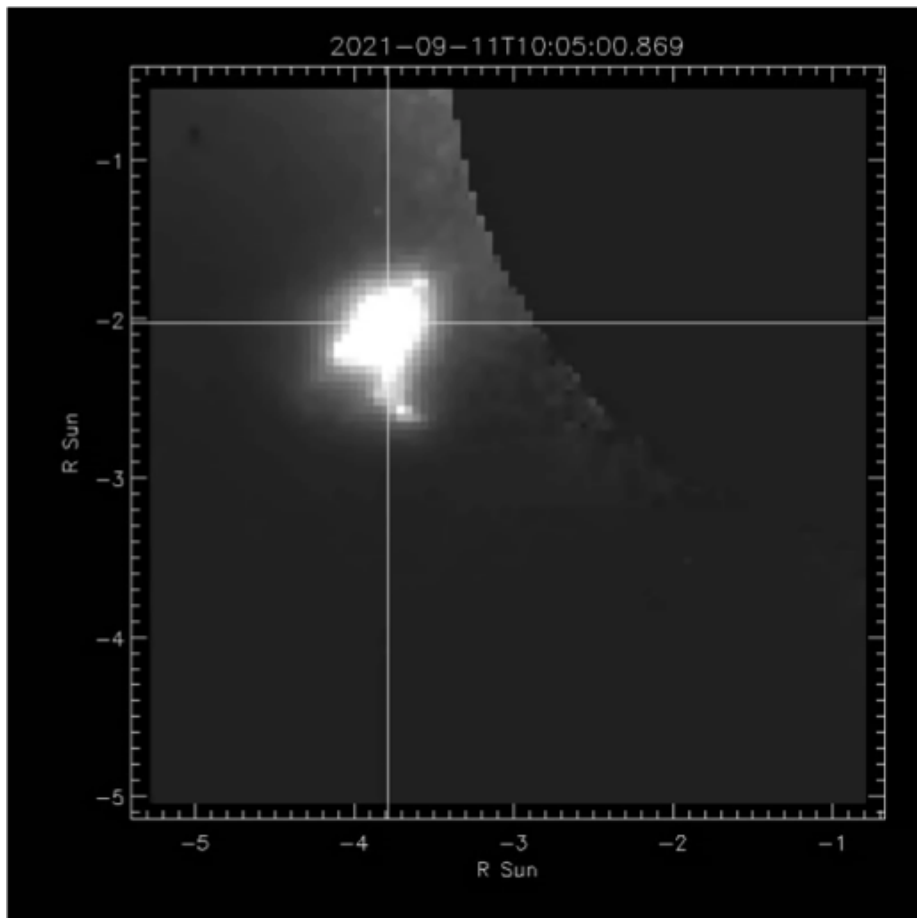
Different time resolution:

- VL cadence 24 min
- UV cadence 3 min

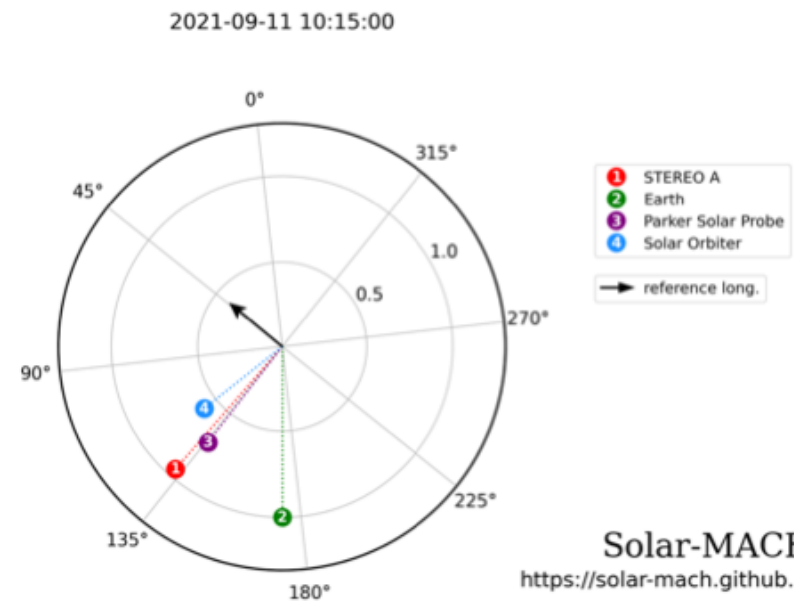
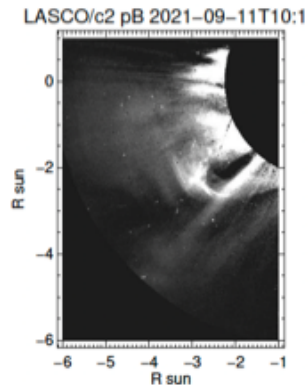
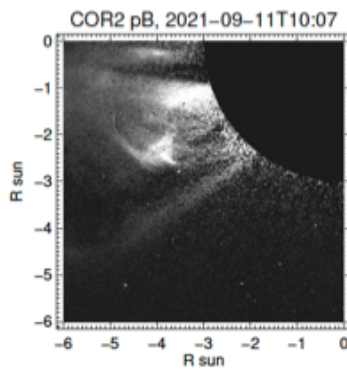




KINEMATICS OF THE EVENT



- POS velocity: 375 ± 5 km/s
- Radial velocity: 377 ± 5 km/s
- Residual Acceleration: 7 ± 1 m/s²



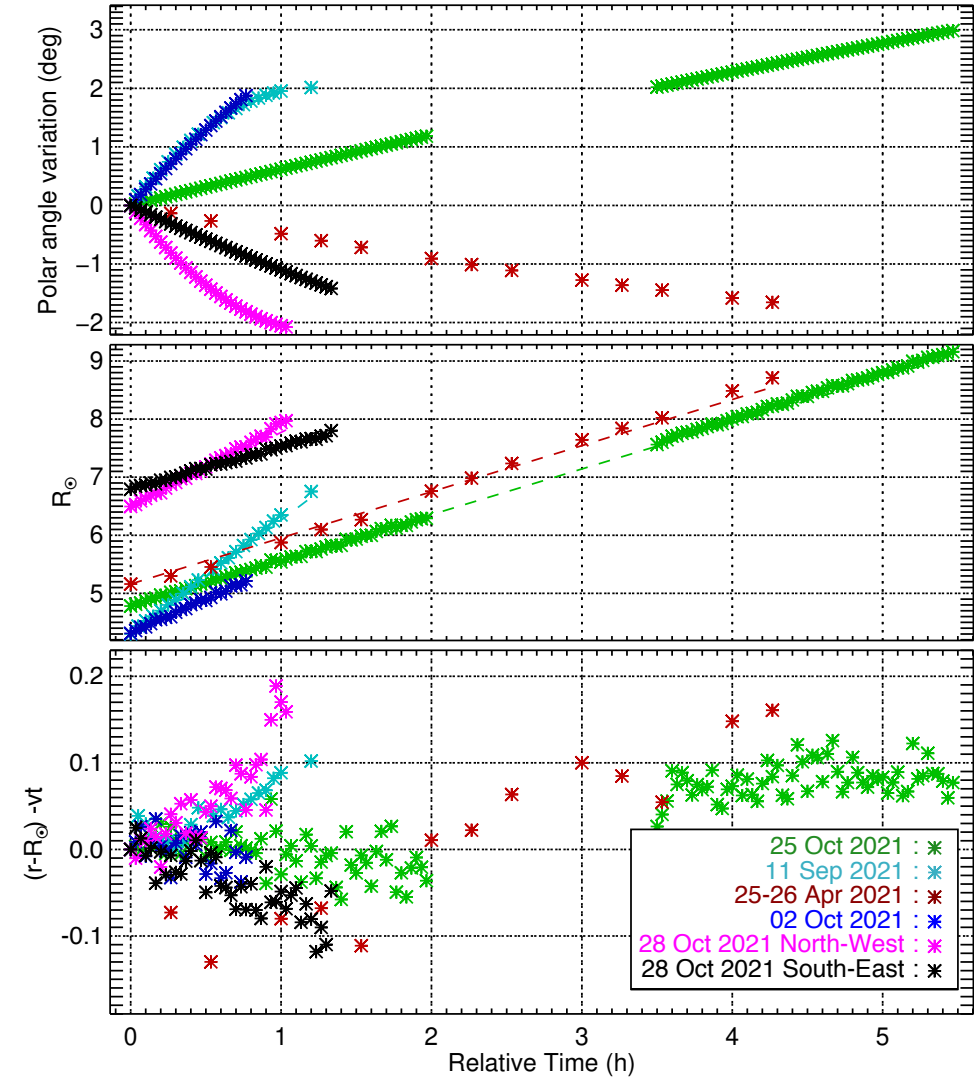


KINEMATICS OVERVIEW

Event date	PoS velocity [km/s]	Radial Velocity [km/s]	Residual Acceleration [m/s ²]	Doppler Dimming coefficients*
25-26 April	152 +/- 6	177 +/- 7	1.7 +/- 0.4	0.29
11 September	375 +/- 5	377 +/- 5	7 +/- 1	0.006
2 October	228 +/- 13	367 +/- 22	~ 0	0.004
25 October	150 +/- 1	265 +/- 3	0.7 +/- 0.1	0.04
28 October NW	244 +/- 10	246 +/- 10	15 +/- 3	0.08
28 October SW	152 +/- 1	437 +/- 4	-8.5 +/- 0.1	5.2 · 10 ⁻⁴

*Gibson electron temperature profile

- Radial Velocity ranging 170 – 450 km/s
- Dimming of resonantly scattered component by more than 70% due to high velocity



RADIAL PROFILES

- UV radial emissivity

$$j_c \sim n_H n_e G(T_e) \quad \text{collisional}$$

$$j_r \sim n_H D(v, T_e) W(r) \bar{I}_{\text{disk, Ly-}\alpha} \quad \text{radiative}$$

Doppler dimming coefficients

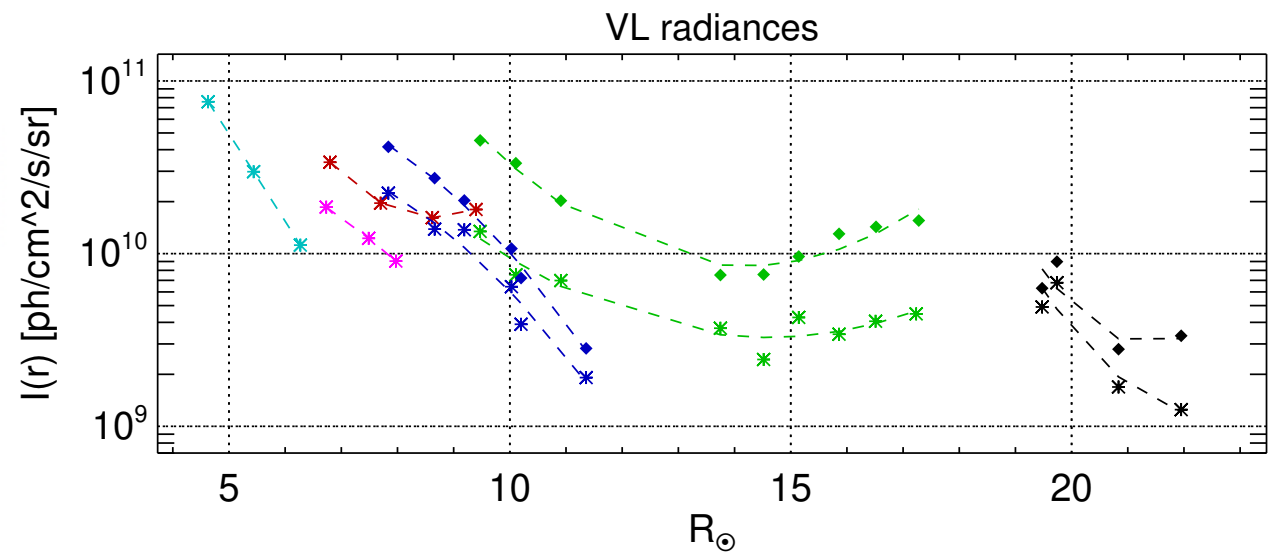
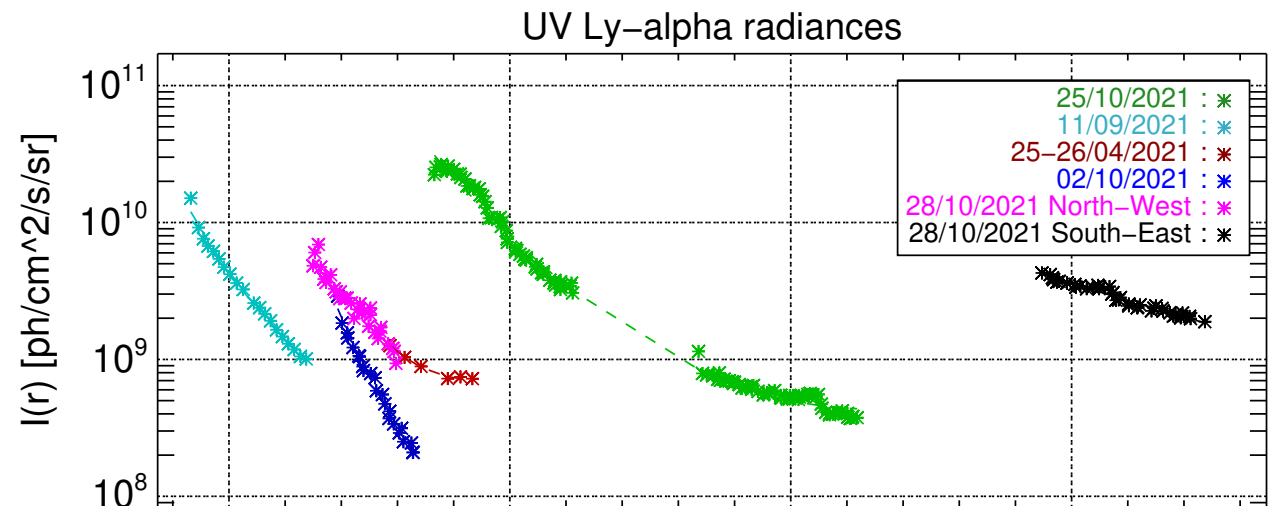
$$\mathcal{D}(\Gamma, T_{\text{HI}}, \mathbf{v}_w) = \frac{I(v_w)}{I(v_w = 0)}$$

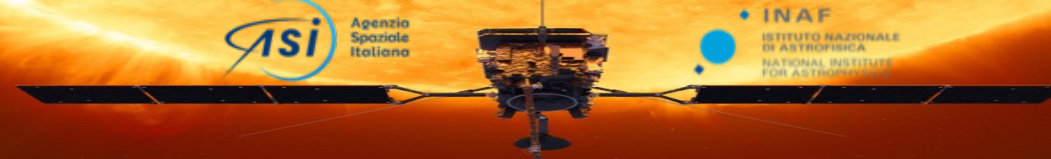
Dilution factor

$$W(r) = \frac{1}{2} \{1 - [1 - (R_\odot/r)^2]^{1/2}\}$$

- pB radial emissivity

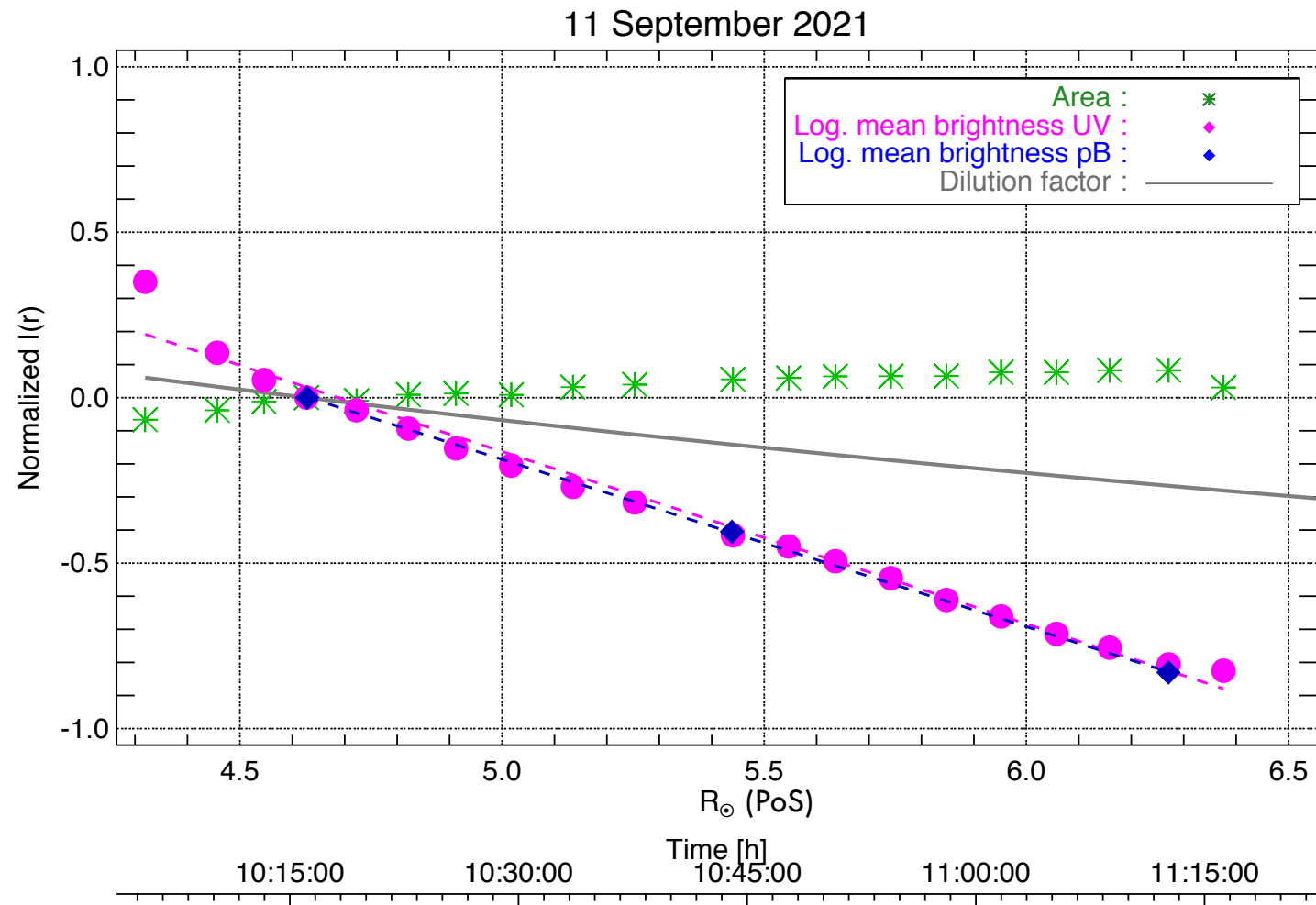
$$j_{\text{pB}} \sim n_e W(r) \bar{I}_{\text{disk, pB}}$$





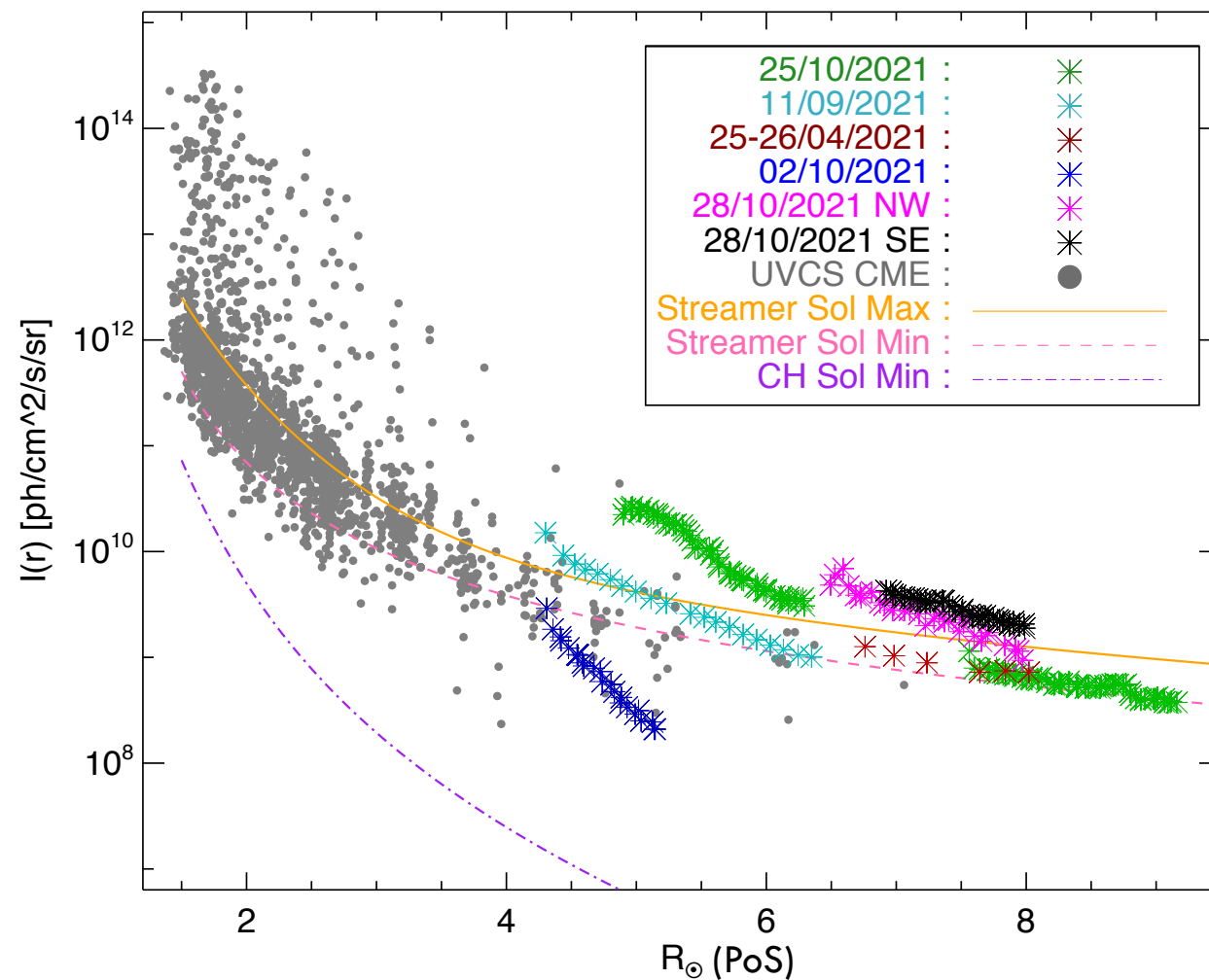
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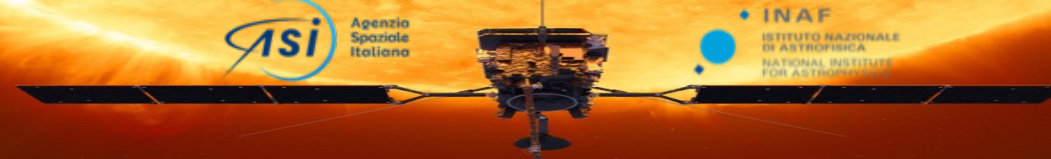
- UV radial profile
- pB radial profile
- Area of the features as visible from UV frames
 - $n_e \approx N_e A^{-1/2} \sim 2.8 \cdot 10^5 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ electron column density
- Dilution factor, which marks the photoexcitation term
- Ly-alpha emission due to neutral hydrogen densities in cool plasma $\sim 10^5 \text{ K}$ or less



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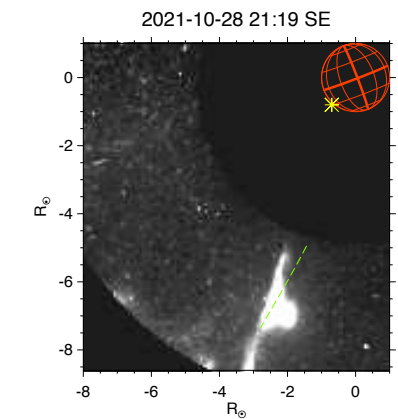
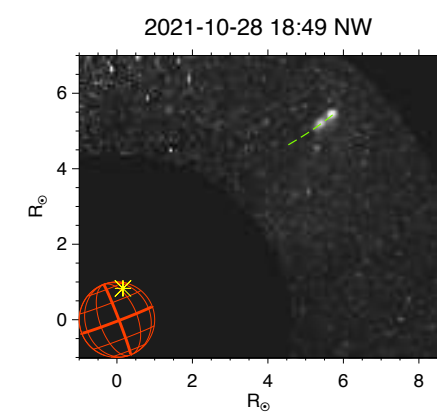
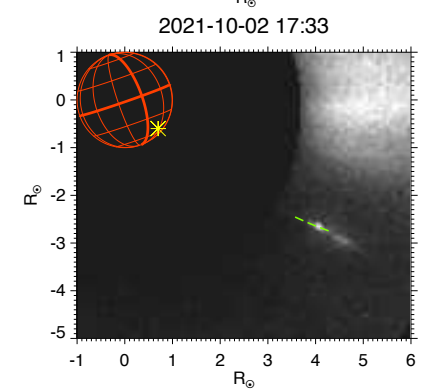
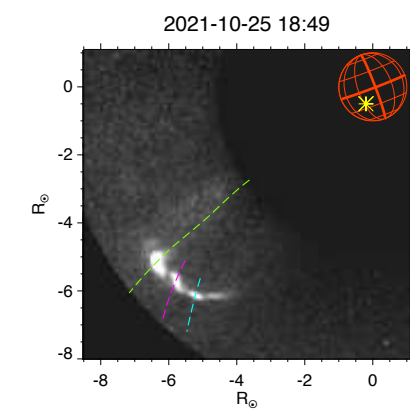
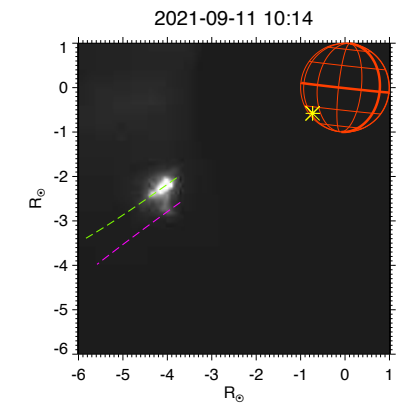
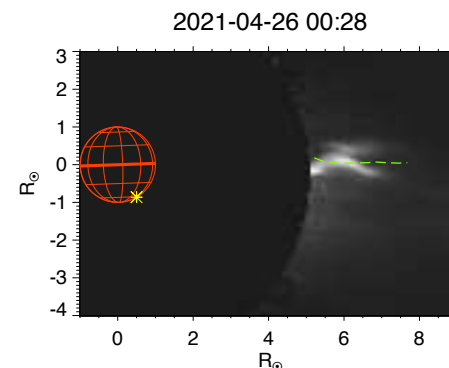
- UVCS observed relatively cool plasma temperatures in core of erupting prominences $\sim 10^5$ K
- Comparison with observed line intensity distribution of the CMEs present in the UVCS catalog (Giordano et al 2013)
- General trend comparable to the streamers above $4 R_{\odot}$





RESULTS SUMMARY

- Very UV bright events, at radial distances from the Sun as high as $\sim 20 R_{\odot}$ in the case of a halo CME
- Clear CME three-part structure, bright UV features assimilated to the core of the CME (4 of 6 events)
- Eruption source region on the solar disk (3 of 6 events)
- Nearly constant shape and apparent lack of rotation (3 of 6 events)





ON GOING FOLLOW-UP WORKS

- **First Metis Detection of the Helium D3 Line Polarisation in a Large Eruptive Prominence (Heinzel et al. 2023)**

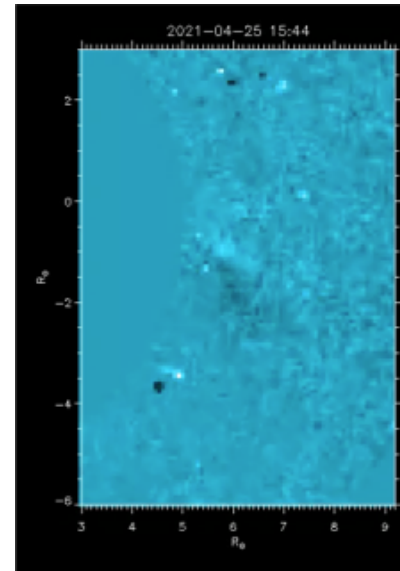
See P. Heinzel's talk today

- **A 3D MHD Model for Metis CMEs**

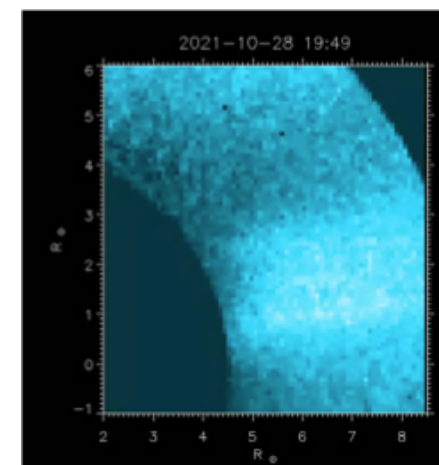
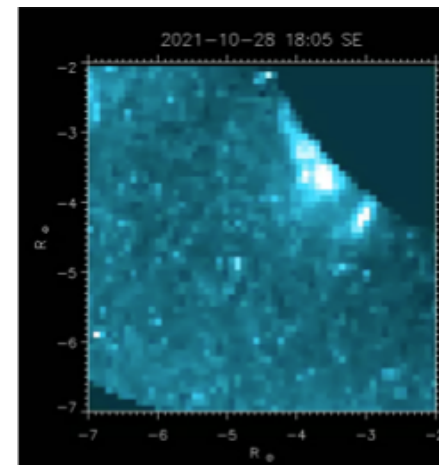
See P. Pagano's talk tomorrow

- **Revealing the differences between two eruptive events observed by Metis on October 28, 2021**

See Y. De Leo's talk today



April 25,
2021



October 28,
2021



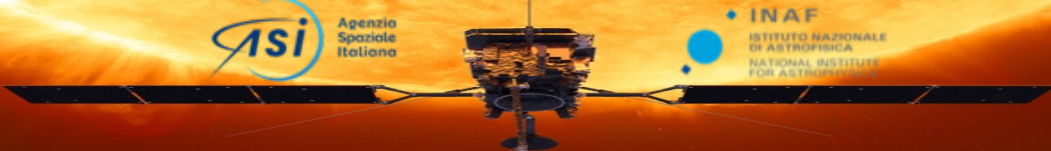
**OPEN TO QUESTIONS AND COLLABORATIONS FOR
POSSIBLE FOLLOW-UP!**

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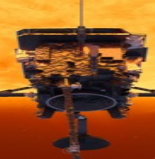
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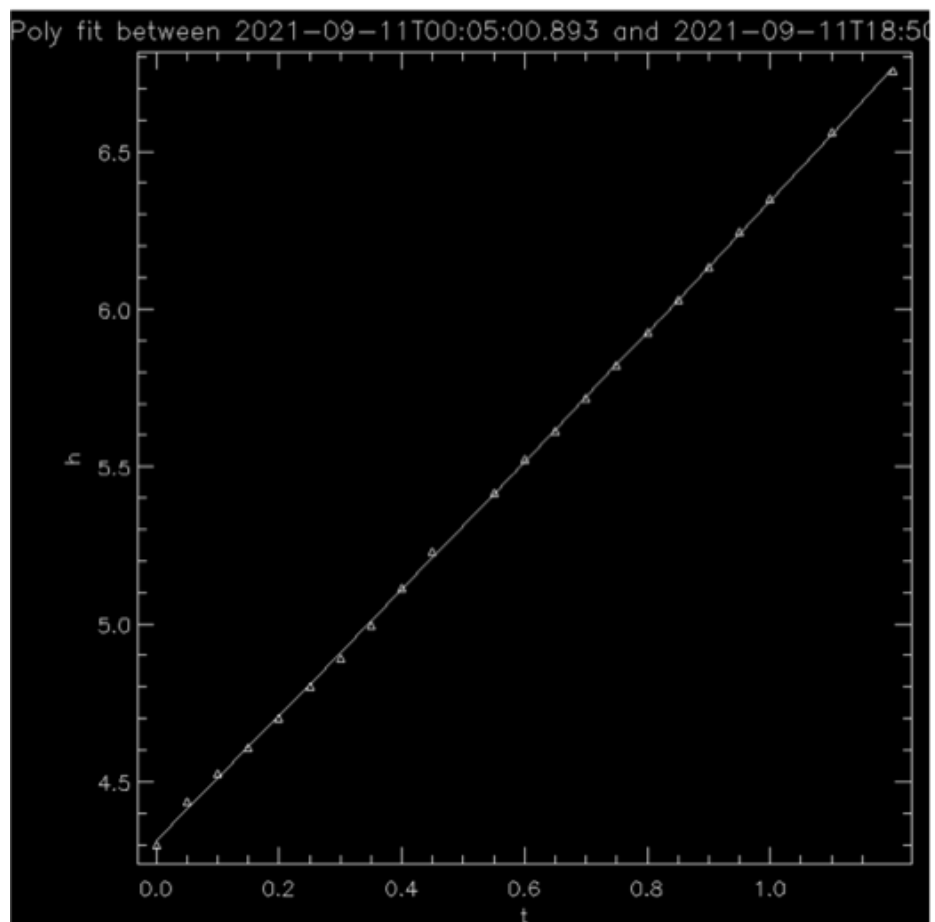


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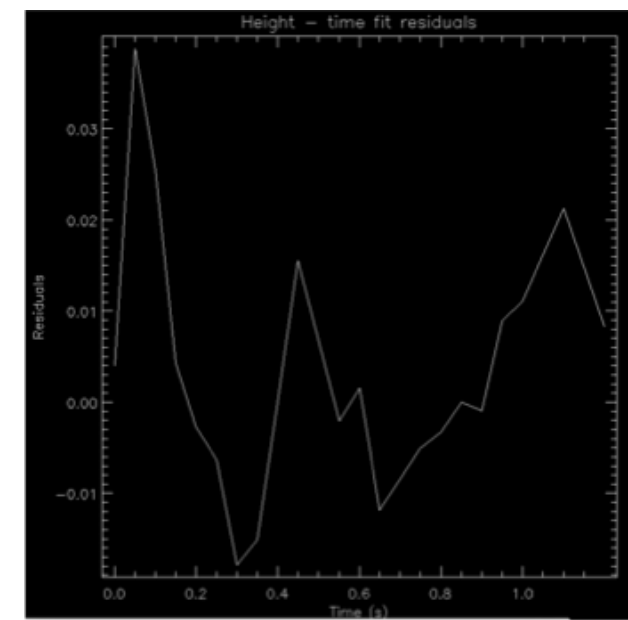
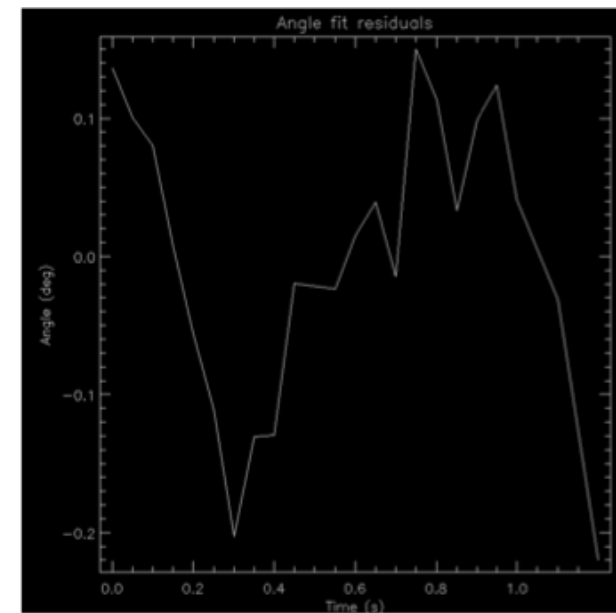




POS VELOCITY ESTIMATION

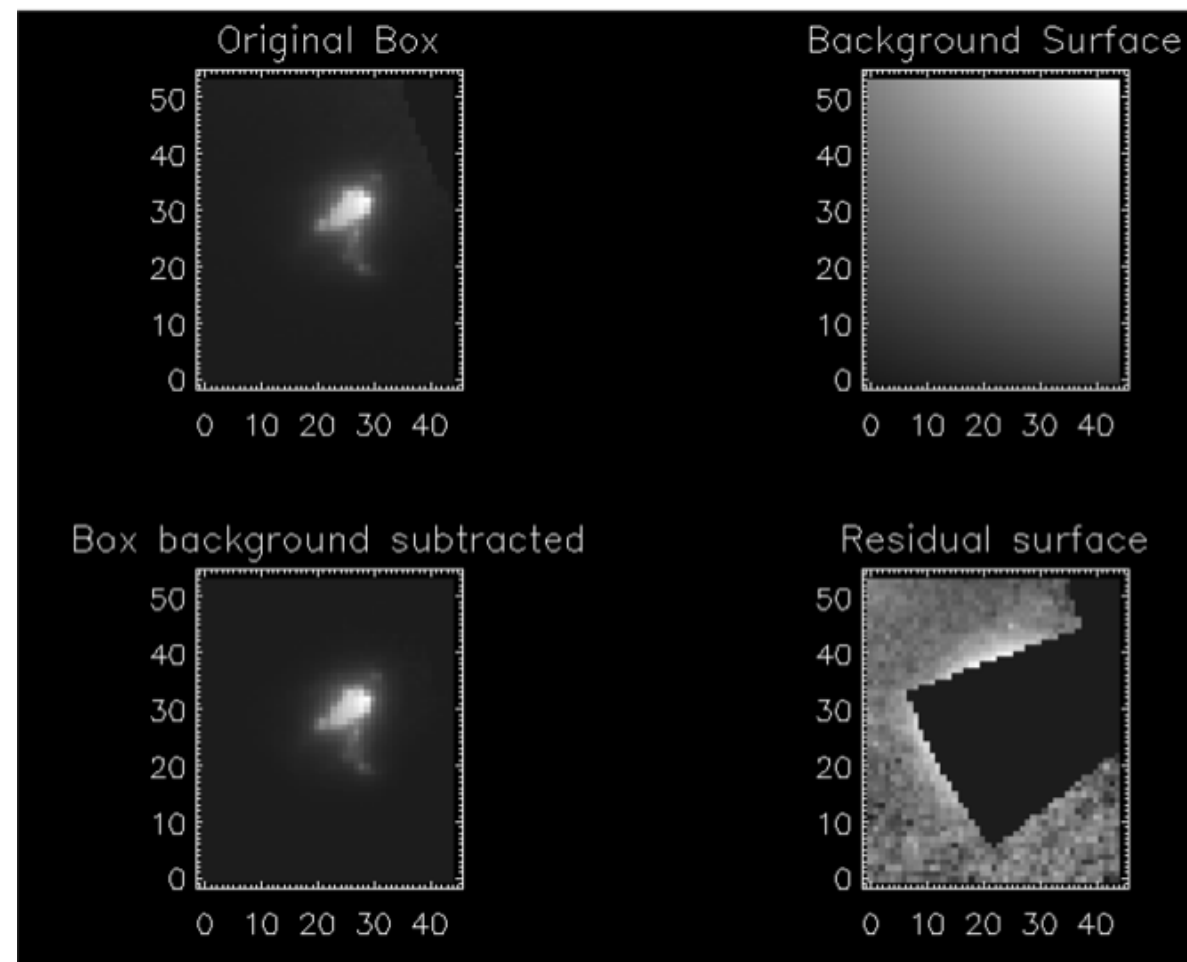


- Three methods to detect maximum intensity position: max pixel, centroid and barycenter
- Polynomial fit height VS time (residual trend due to precision in determining the maximum)
- Angle trends subtracted
- Acceleration term negligible





BACKGROUND SUBTRACTION

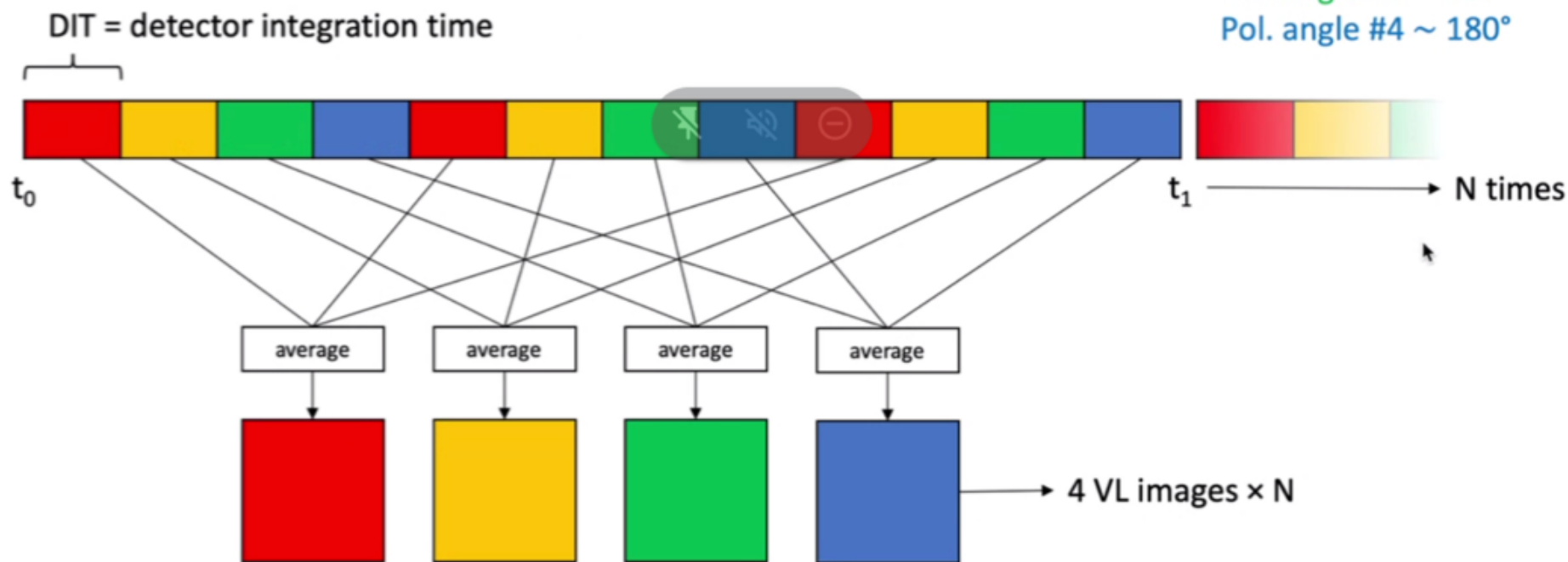


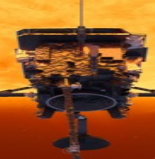


VISIBLE LIGHT ACQUISITION SCHEME

- Polarised brightness (DIT ≥ 15 s, cadence ≥ 1 min.)

- Pol. angle #1 $\sim 45^\circ$
- Pol. angle #2 $\sim 90^\circ$
- Pol. angle #3 $\sim 135^\circ$
- Pol. angle #4 $\sim 180^\circ$





UV ACQUISITION SCHEMES

- Analogue mode (DIT ≥ 1 s, cadence ≥ 1 s)

