

# A comprehensive study to determine spectral lines for CME diagnostics with current and future observatories

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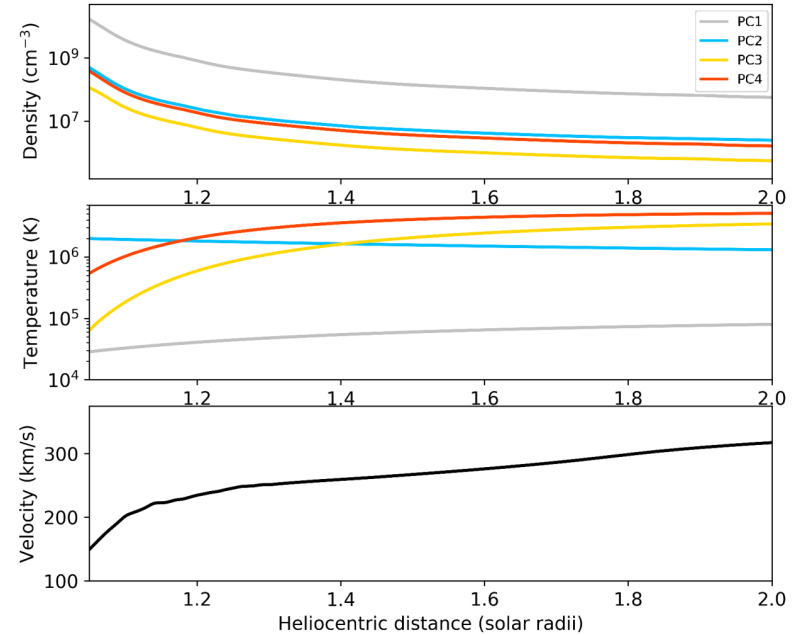
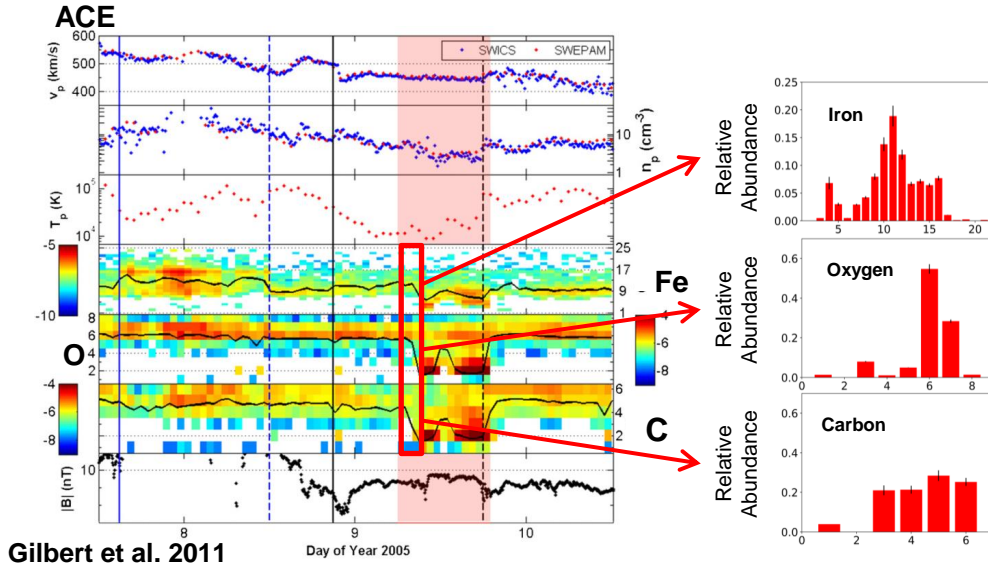


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# Motivation

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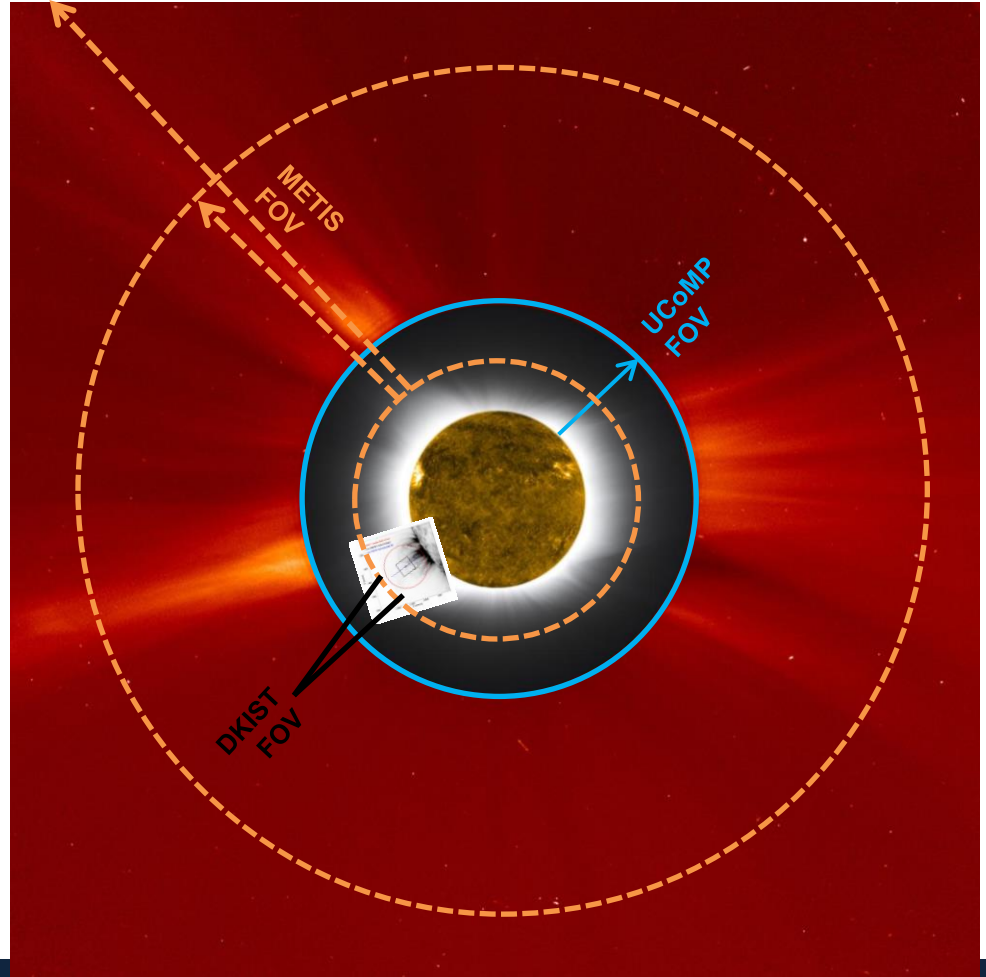


- Complex injection of energy and non uniform heating to adjacent CME structures
- Distinct thermal histories that cover a large range of temperatures and densities



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# Upgraded Coronal Multichannel Polarimeter (UCoMP)

Coronagraph with multi-wavelength capability in the visible able to observe a nine spectrally resolved coronal lines over the entire corona out to  $2R_{\text{sun}}$

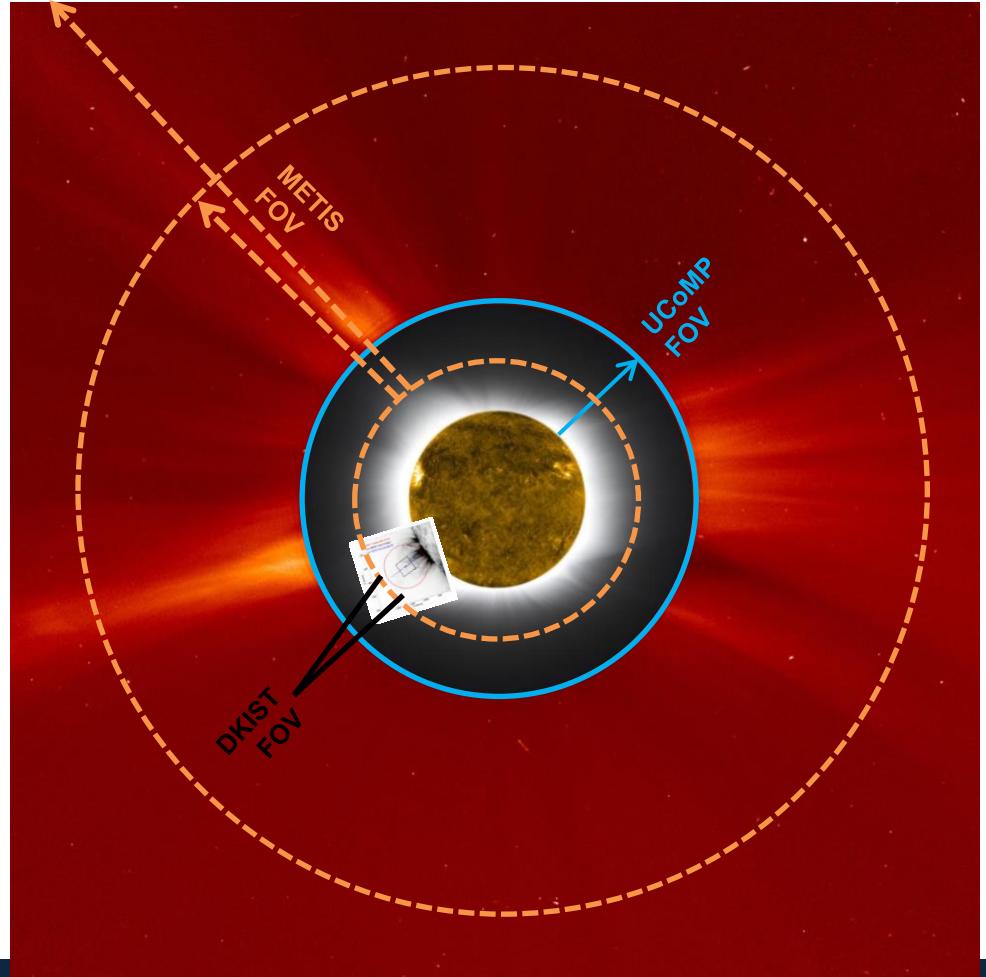
Line (Å)	Ion	Temp (MK)
6564 (H $\alpha$ )	H I	-
<b>10830</b>	<b>He I</b>	-
6373	Fe X	1.07
7894	Fe XI	1.26
<b>10749</b>	<b>Fe XIII</b>	<b>1.66</b>
<b>10800</b>	<b>Fe XIII</b>	<b>1.66</b>
5304	Fe XIV	2.00
6918	Ar XI	2.00
7062	Fe XV	2.19

Landi et al. 2016



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# Candidate Spectral Lines

- How were they chosen?
  - Previously studied filament core (Landi et al. 2010)
    - EUV to near-infrared
    - Planned DKIST, SO/METIS and SO/SPICE spectral range
  - Test lines specific to UCoMP
- Lines tested: 118
- Ranges:
  - $\lambda = 100 - 14400 \text{ \AA}$
  - $\text{Log } T \text{ (K)} = 4 - 6.7$  (Chromospheric to sub-flare temperatures)

**Table 2**  
A List of All the Lines Tested between 1001 and 4000  $\text{\AA}$

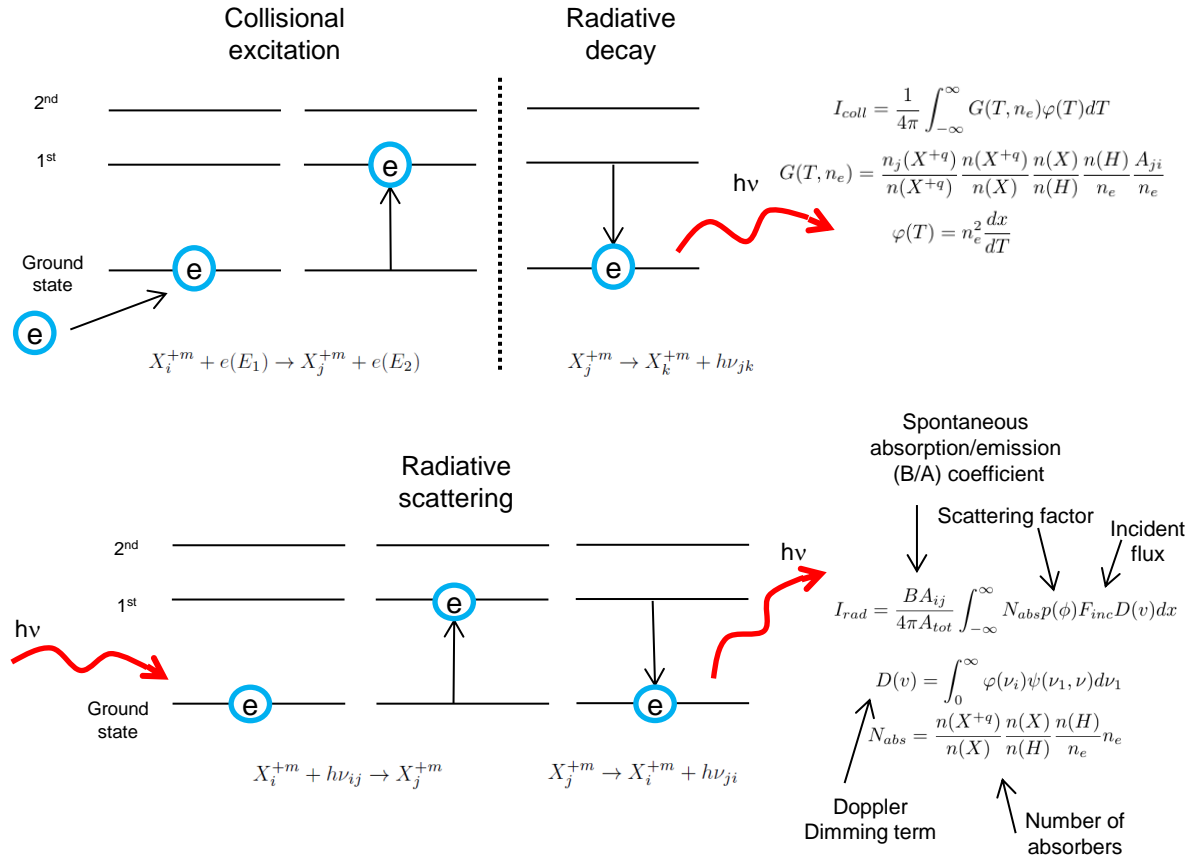
Ion	$\lambda \text{ (\AA)}$	$\text{Log } T \text{ (K)}$	Transition	Instrument Range
H I (Ly $\beta$ )	1025.72	...	$1s \ ^2S_{1/2} - 3p \ ^2P_{1/2}$	×
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Ca II	3934.78	4.05	$3p^6 \ 4s \ ^2S_{1/2} - 3p^6 \ 4p \ ^2P_{3/2}$	◇ (VBI blue)
S II	1259.52	4.25	$3s^2 \ 3p^3 \ ^4S_{3/2} - 3s \ 3p^4 \ ^4P_{5/2}$	...
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N II	1083.99	4.45	$2s^2 \ 2p^2 \ ^3P_{0-2s} \ 2p^3 \ ^3D_1$	...
O II	1128.07	4.45	$2s \ 2p^4 \ ^4P_{5/2} - 2s^2 \ 2p^2 \ (3P) \ 3p \ ^4P_{5/2}$	...
Mg III	3354.70	4.55	$2s^2 \ 2p^5 \ 3d \ ^3P_{0-2s} \ 2p^5 \ 4p \ ^3S_1$	...
Ne II	3345.36	4.55	$2s^2 \ 2p^4 \ 3s \ ^4P_{1/2} - 2s^2 \ 2p^4 \ 3p \ ^4D_{1/2}$	...
S III	1190.20	4.70	$3s^2 \ 3p^2 \ ^3P_{0-3s} \ 3p^3 \ ^3D_1$	...
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Si III	1312.59	4.70	$3s \ 3p \ ^1P_{1-3s} \ 4s \ ^1S_0$	...
C III	1176.37	4.85	$2s \ 2p \ ^3P_{2-2p^2} \ ^3P_1$	...
N III	2248.65	4.85	$2s^2 \ 3d \ ^2D_{5/2} - 2s^2 \ 4p \ ^2P_{3/2}$	...
N III	3366.77	4.85	$2s \ 2p \ 3s \ ^4P_{3/2} - 2s \ 2p \ 3p \ ^4P_{1/2}$	...
O III	1153.78	4.90	$2s \ 2p^3 \ ^3S_{1-2p^4} \ ^3P_2$	...
Fe V	3076.54	4.95	$3d^4 \ ^3G_3 - 3d^4 \ (1) \ ^3F_2$	...
Fe V	3143.86	4.95	$3d^4 \ ^3G_5 - 3d^4 \ (1) \ ^3F_4$	...
Fe V	3892.38	4.95	$3d^4 \ ^5D_4 - 3d^4 \ (2) \ ^3F_4$	◇ (ViSP)
O IV	1338.62	5.15	$2s \ 2p^2 \ ^2P_{1/2} - 2p^3 \ ^2D_{3/2}$	...
O IV	1399.78	5.15	$2s^2 \ 2p \ ^2P_{1/2} - 2s \ 2p^2 \ ^4P_{1/2}$	...
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O VI	1031.91	5.45	$1s^2 \ 2s \ ^2S_{1/2} - 1s^2 \ 2p \ ^2P_{3/2}$	×
O VI	1037.61	5.45	$1s^2 \ 2s \ ^2S_{1/2} - 1s^2 \ 2p \ ^2P_{1/2}$	×
Ne VI	1005.73	5.60	$2s^2 \ 2p \ ^2P_{3/2} - 2s \ 2p^2 \ ^4P_{3/2}$	×
Mg VI	1190.12	5.65	$2s^2 \ 2p^5 \ ^4S_{3/2} - 2s^2 \ 2p^3 \ ^2P_{3/2}$	...
Si VIII	1049.15	5.79	$2s^2 \ 2p^4 \ ^3P_{1-2s^2} \ 2p^4 \ ^1S_0$	...
Mg VIII	1075.81	5.90	$2s \ 2p^2 \ ^2P_{3/2} - 2p^3 \ ^4S_{3/2}$	...
Fe X	1028.02	6.05	$3s2 \ 3p^4 \ 3d \ ^4D_{7/2} - 3s^2 \ 3p^4 \ 3d \ ^2F_{7/2}$	×
Fe XIII	3388.91	6.25	$3s^2 \ 3p^2 \ ^3P_{2-3s^2} \ 3p^2 \ ^1D_2$	...

Notes. "◇ ": planned DKIST range. "×": planned SO/SPICE range.



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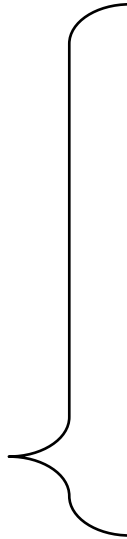
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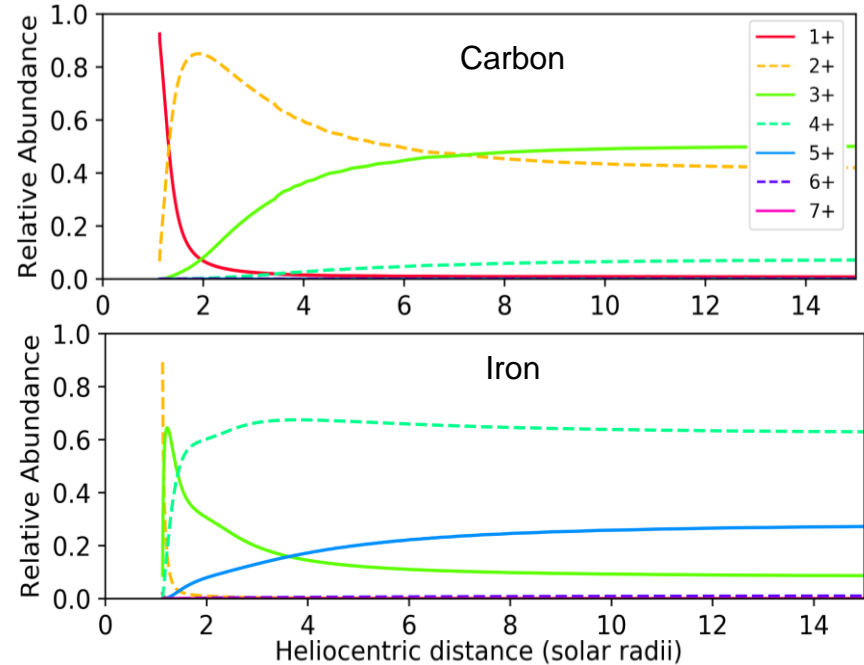


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## MIC Output



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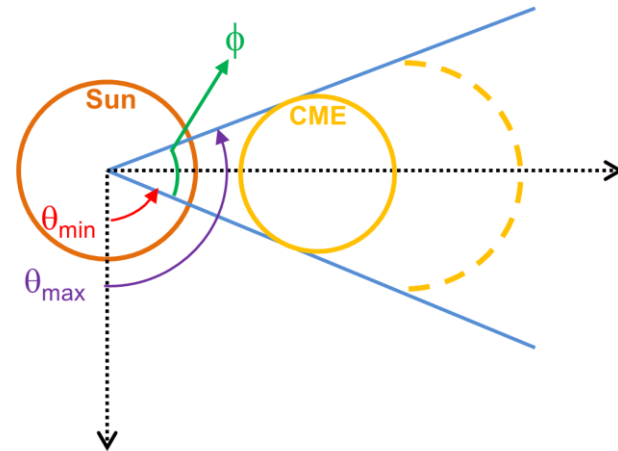




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- Angular width,  $\phi$
- Filling factor
  - Prominence – 0.1-0.001 (Labrosse et al. 2010)

Top view  
(Ecliptic Plane)

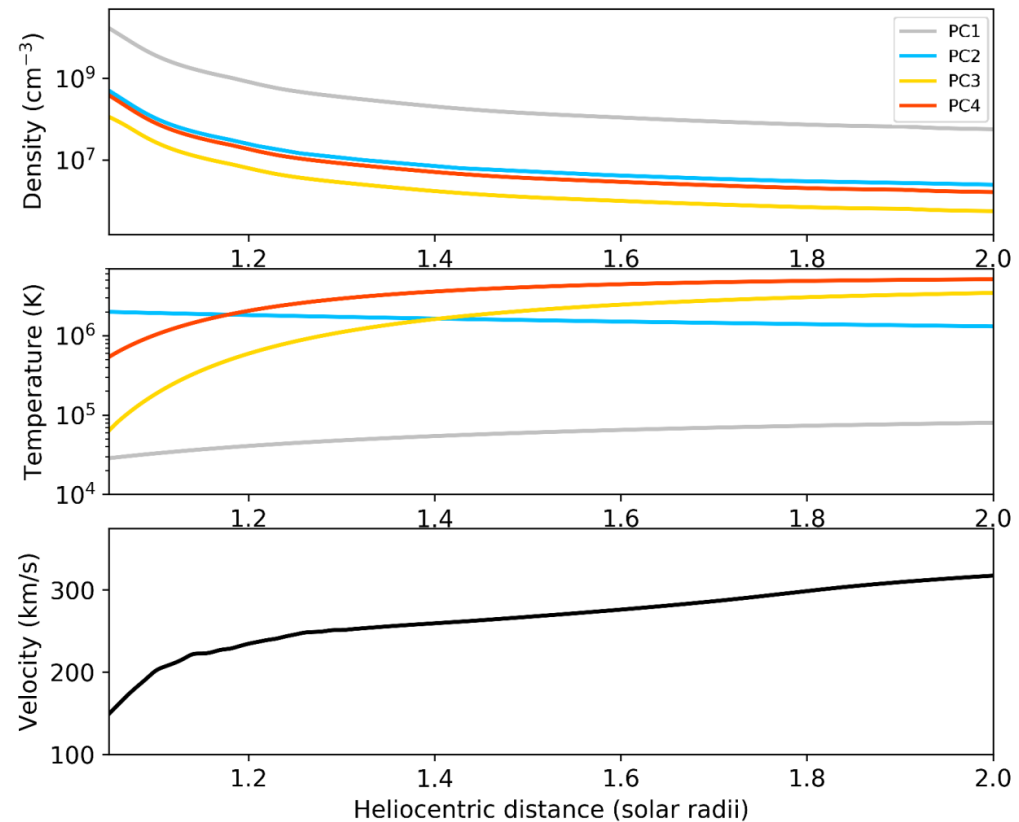
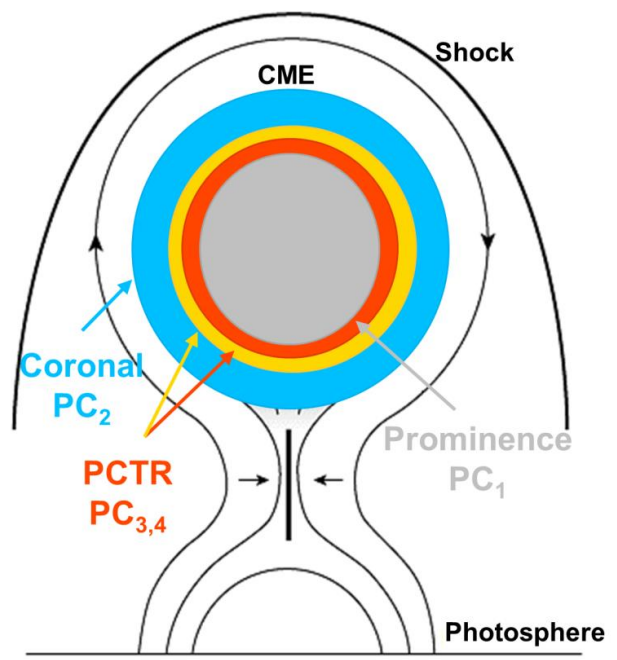


Observer  
(Infinity)

# Plasma Evolution

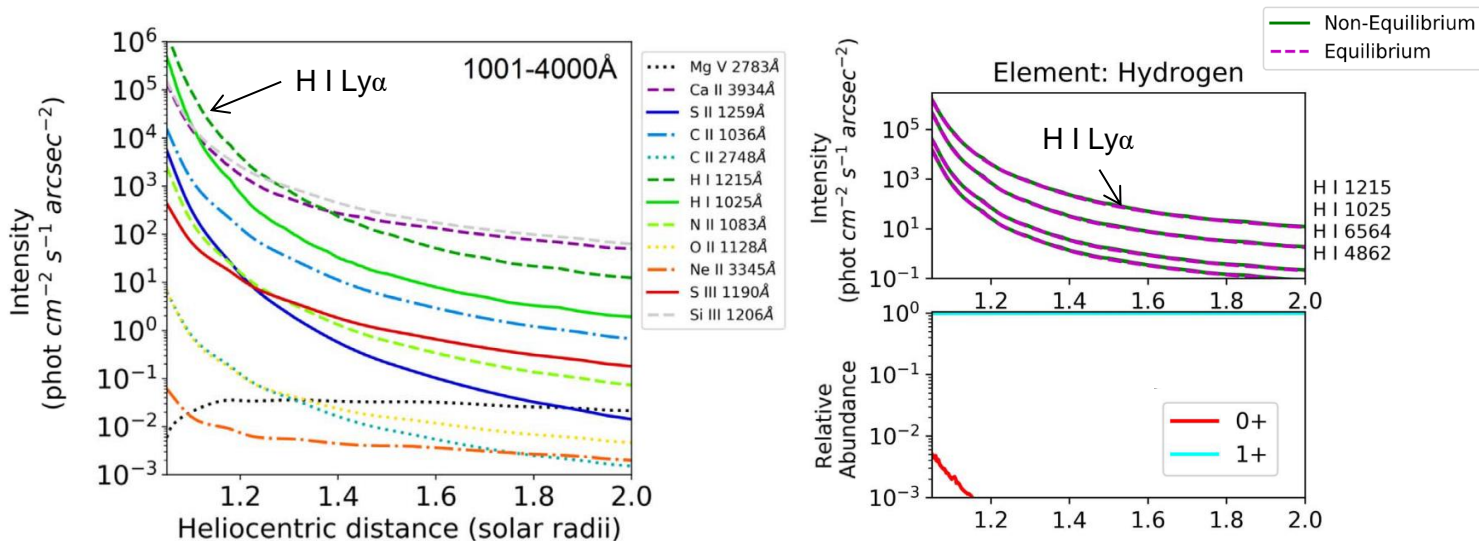
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Heliocentric distance ↑



# Synthetic Intensity – prominence

- Prominence produces brightest lines
- Intensities decrease sharply after leaving the surface
- Intensities generated match equilibrium intensities



Filament core

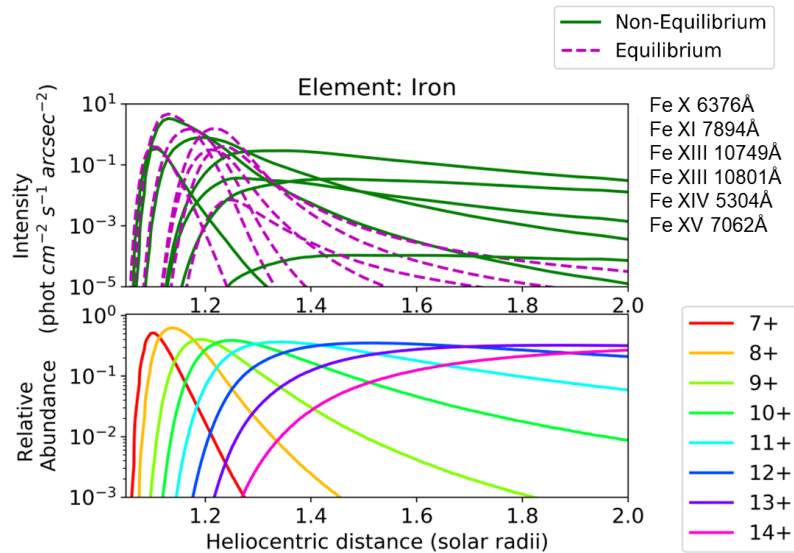
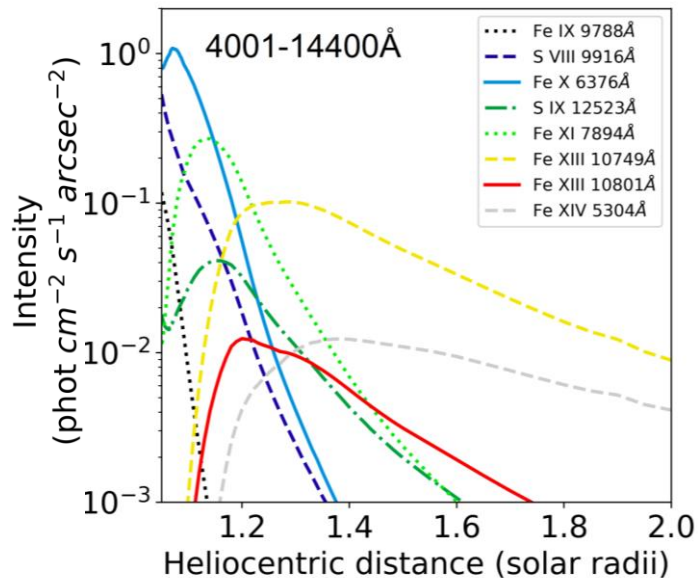
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Solar C III  $\longrightarrow$  Helio C<sup>2+</sup>

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# Synthetic Intensity – prominence-coronal transition region



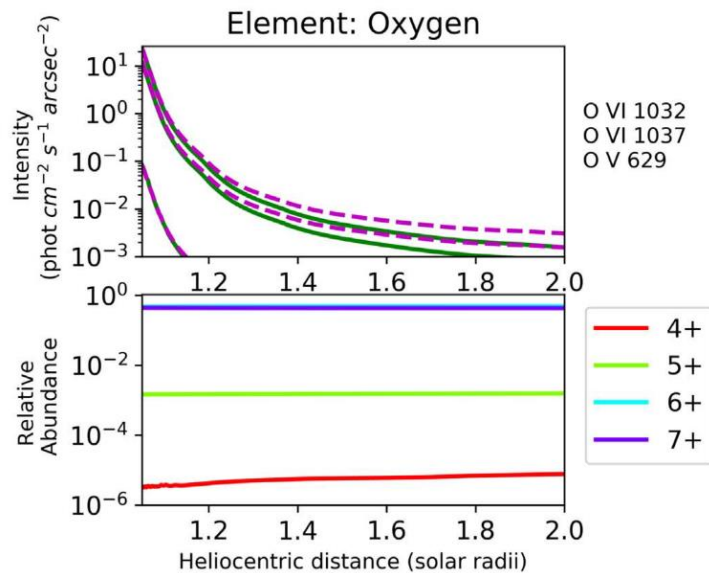
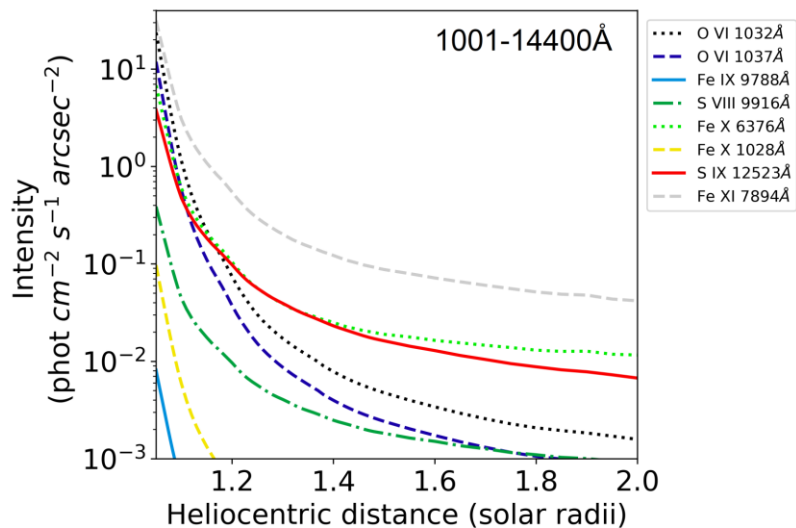
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# Synthetic Intensity – coronal plasma



Coronal  
 $\phi=5^\circ$ ,  $ff = 1$

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# Diagnostics - prominence plasma

**Multiple same ion lines** can be used for temperature/density diagnostics (need to check optical thickness for lines formed below  $\sim \log T \text{ (K)} = 5.0$ )

**$N_e$  diagnostics:** N IV 923/765 and Si III 1312/1301

**$T_e$  diagnostics:** O III 702/599, O IV 790/553, and N III 991/686  
(Keenan & Aggarwal 1989; Wilhelm et al. 1995 and references therein)

METIS: **Ly $\alpha$  1215**

UCoMP: **H I (H $\alpha$ ) 6564** and **He I 10830**

DKIST: **Ca II 8544** and **H $\beta$  (4862)** pressure diagnostics of filaments (Heasley & Milkey 1978; Gouttebroze et al. 2002)

Ion	Ratio	$N_e \text{ (cm}^{-3}\text{)}$ range	$T_e \text{ (K)}$ range	Instrument
N IV	923/765	$10^9\text{-}10^{11}$	$1.4 \times 10^5$	SO/SPICE
<b>Si III</b>	<b>1312/1301</b>	<b><math>10^9\text{-}10^{11}</math></b>	<b><math>3.5 \times 10^4</math></b>	<b>SUMER</b>
O III	702/599		$10^{4.4}\text{-}10^{5.4}$	CDS/SOHO
O IV	790/553		$8 \times 10^4\text{-}2 \times 10^5$	CDS/SOHO SO/SPICE
N III	991/686		$< 7 \times 10^4$	SO/SPICE



# Diagnostics - Coronal plasma

## Multiple consecutive lines

Fe X, XI, XIV, and XV, which range in formation temperatures between 1 and 2.25 MK, can be useful to investigate heating throughout the plasma's  $1.5R_{\text{sun}}$  evolution

Ar XI ~5 million K

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DKIST - Cryo-NIRSP

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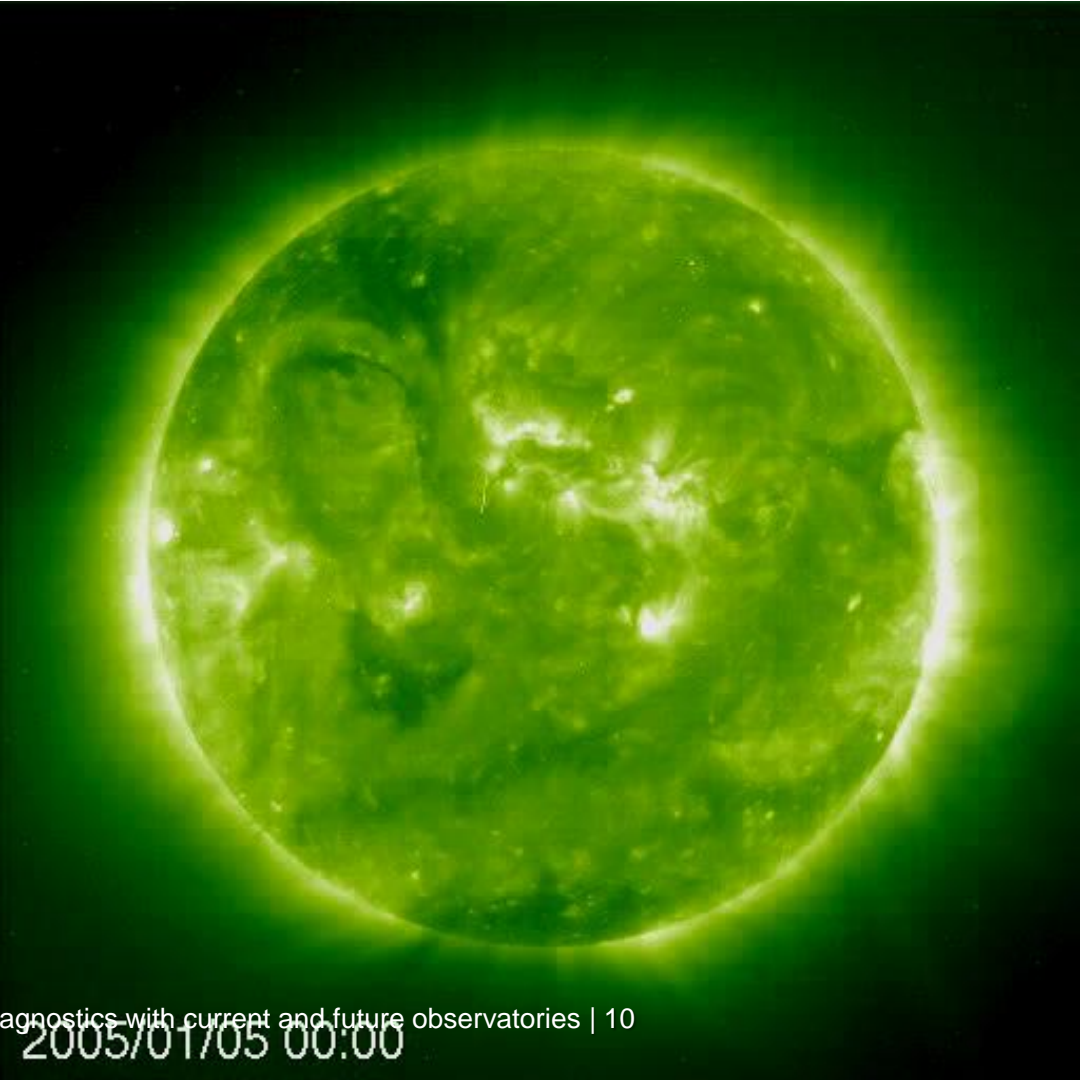
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Fe X	6376.29	6.05	C, PCTR (PC <sub>4</sub> )
S IX	12523.48	6.05	C
Fe XI	7894.03	6.12	C
Si X	14304.72	6.15	C
Fe XII	186.89	6.20	C
Fe XII	195.12	6.20	C
Fe XIII	3388.91	6.25	C
Fe XIII	10749.11	6.25	C
Fe XIII	10800.77	6.25	C
Fe XIV	5304.48	6.30	C
Fe XV	7062.15	6.35	C
Ar XI	6918.02	6.68	C



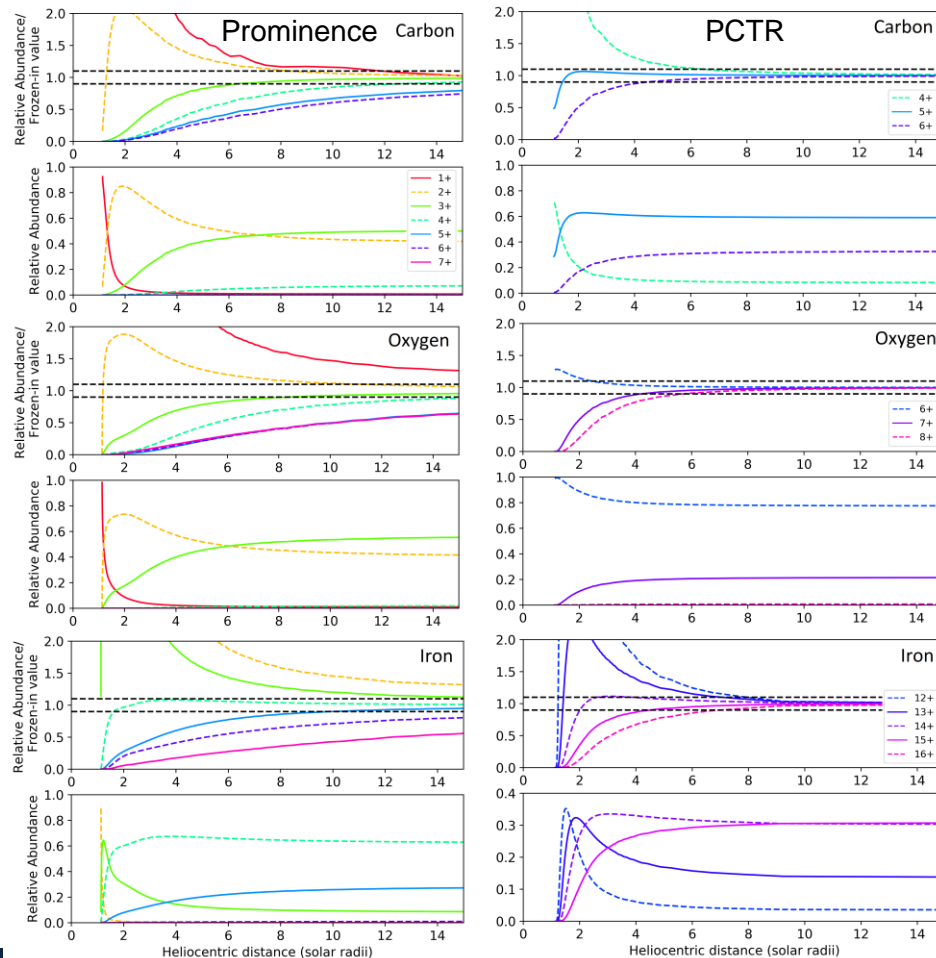
## CME from previous study

- Filament eruption, January 5<sup>th</sup> 2005
- Halo CME
- Acceleration =  $15 \text{ km/s}^2$ ,  
velocity (at  $30R_{\text{sun}}$ ) =  $892 \text{ km/s}$
- B-class flare



# Ion Freeze-in Process

- Freeze-in process undergone by ions (Hundhausen et al. 1968)
  - Rapid decrease in density diminishes the ionization and recombination processes in the plasma
  - Ionization level is unchanged beyond the freeze-in height and retains the history of thermal evolution
  - Freeze-in heights:
    - Heights can vary even within the same species
    - Sensitive to local density, temperature, velocity

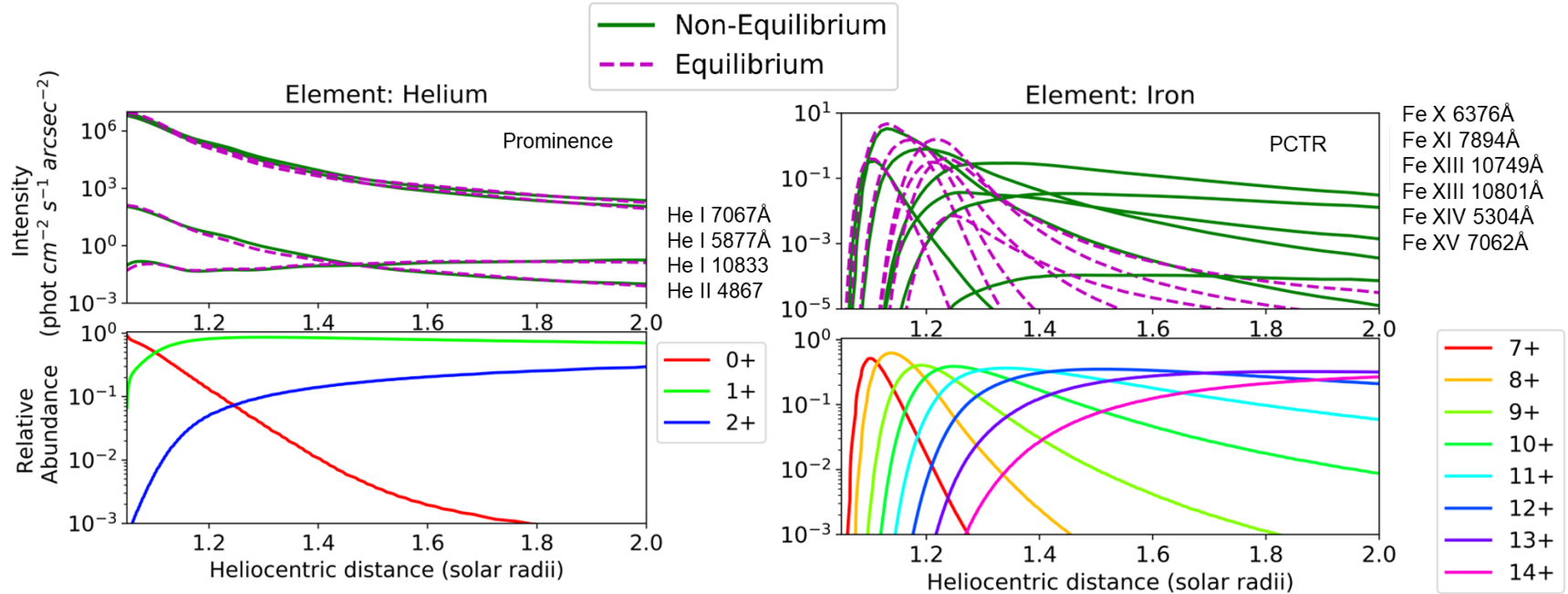


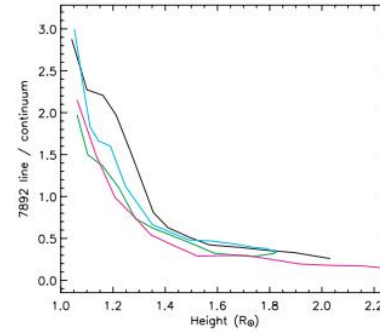
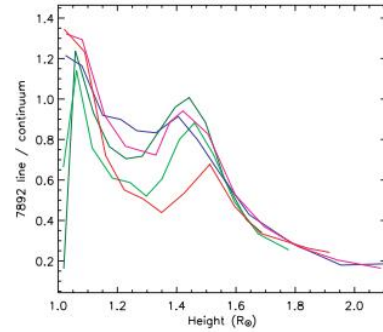
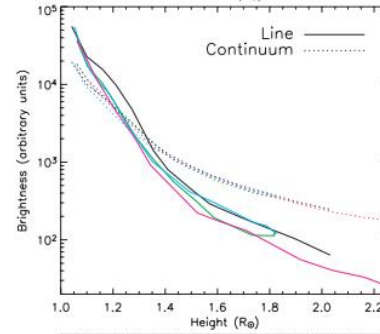
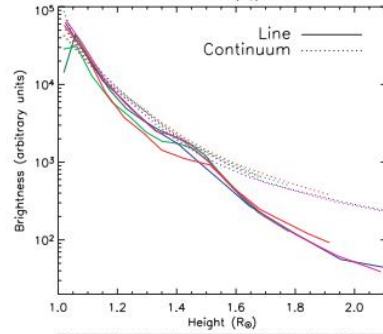
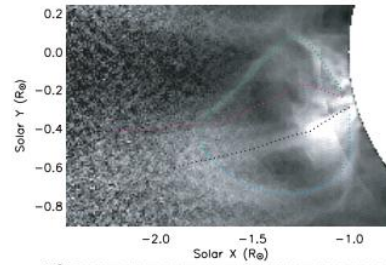
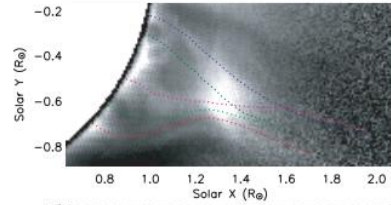
Rivera et al. 2019



Ions that **maintain equilibrium** during the eruption – lines are **excellent** candidates for plasma diagnostics

Ions are **out of equilibrium** during the radial evolution – multiple lines from the same ion can still provide diagnostics





Habbal et al. 2007

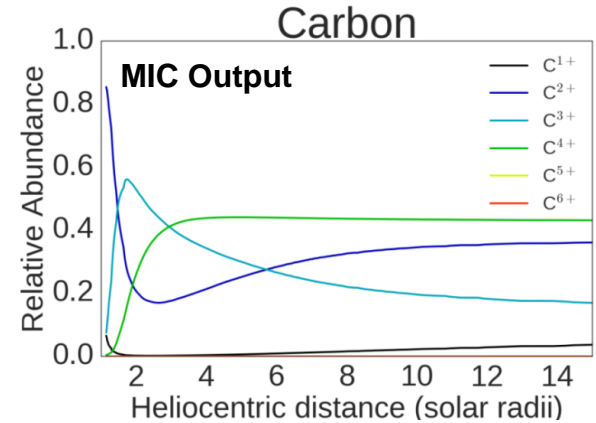
# Michigan Ionization Code

- The MIC solves a time-dependent ionization equation that governs the evolution of ions in the plasma as they propagate from the Sun (Landi et al. 2012)
- Ionization/recombination processes: excitation-autoionization, dielectric recombination, collisional ionization, radiative recombination and includes the effects of EUV and X-ray photoionization.
- Main inputs:
  - Electron density
  - Electron temperature
  - Bulk flow
- Assumptions:
  - Local Thermodynamic equilibrium at boundary
  - Electron velocity Maxwellian distribution
  - Ions all moving at the same velocity, no differential flow

$$\frac{dy_i}{dt} = n_e [y_{i-1}I_{i-1}(T_e) + y_{i+1}R_{i+1}(T_e)] + y_{i-1}P_{i-1} - y_i [n_e (I_i(T_e) + R_i(T_e)) + P_i]$$

Sources

Sinks

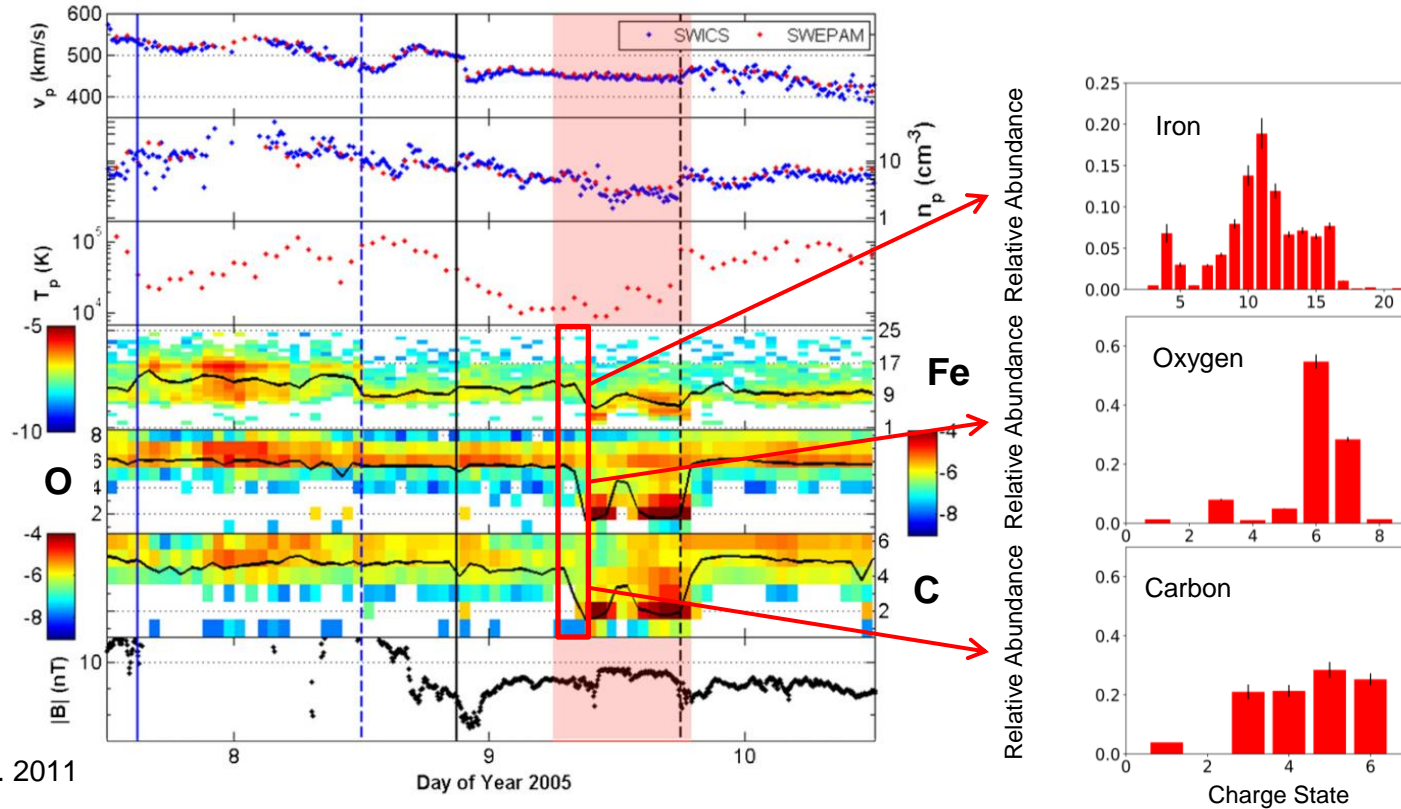


$$P_i = \int_{\nu_i}^{\infty} \frac{4\pi J(\nu)\sigma_i(\nu)}{h\nu} d\nu$$





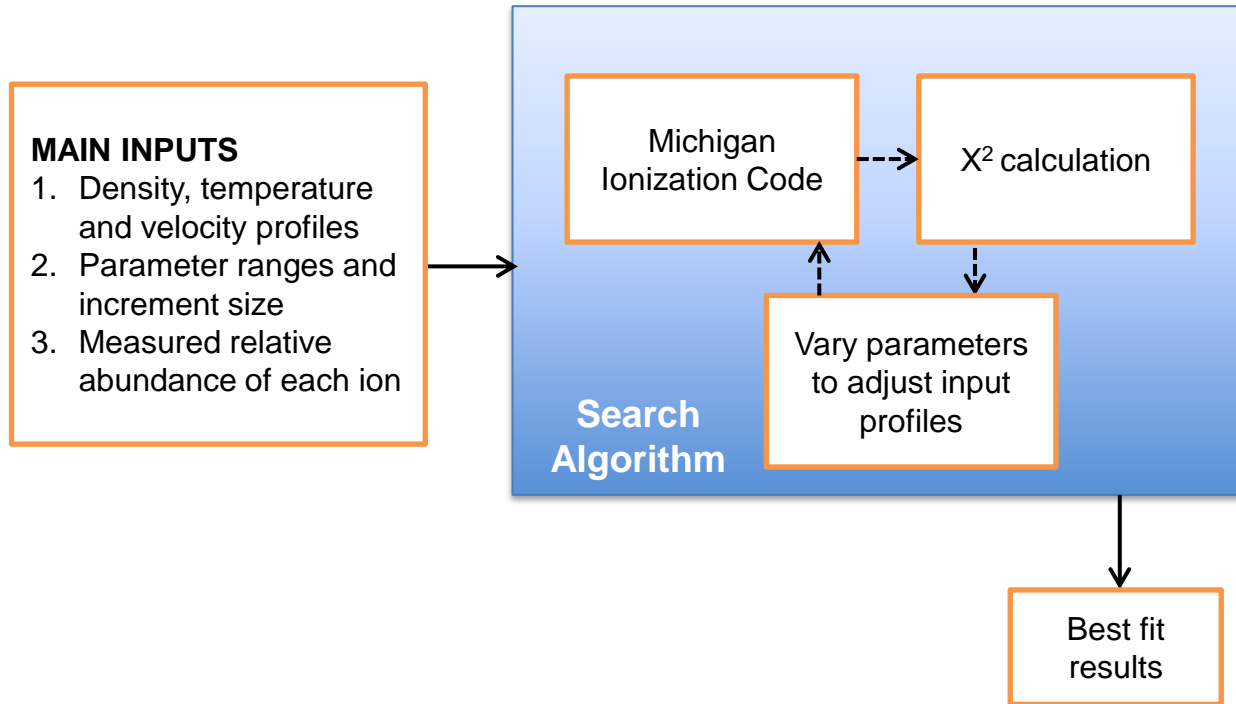
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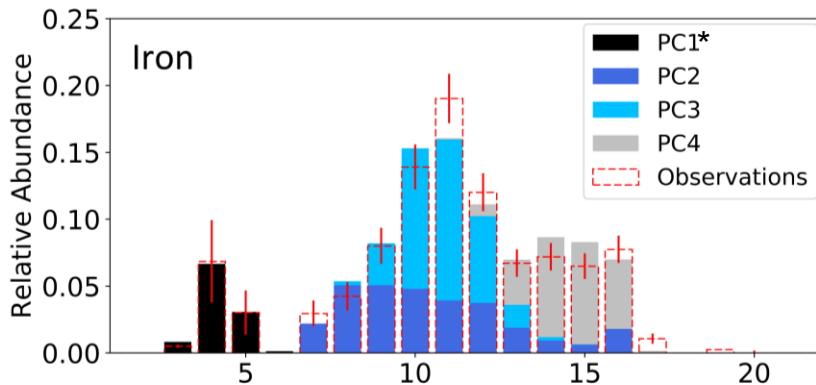
Gilbert et al. 2011



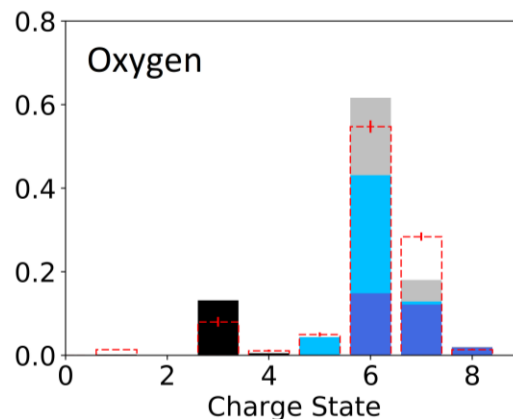
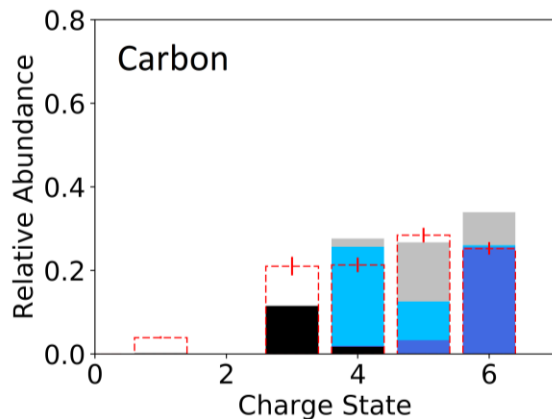
# Search Algorithm



# Final Distributions



$\chi^2 = 0.304$ ,  
95% confidence  
level



\*Plasma Component  
(PC)

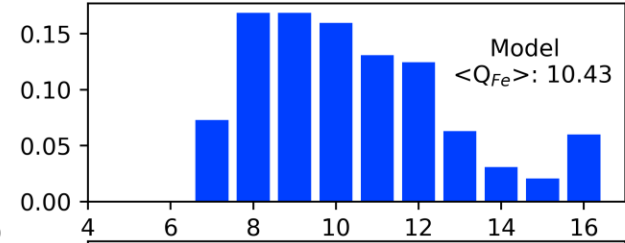
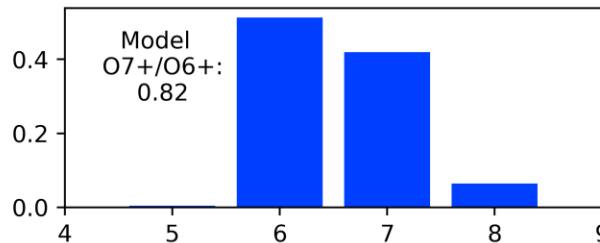
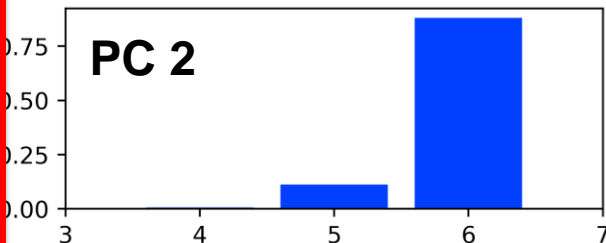
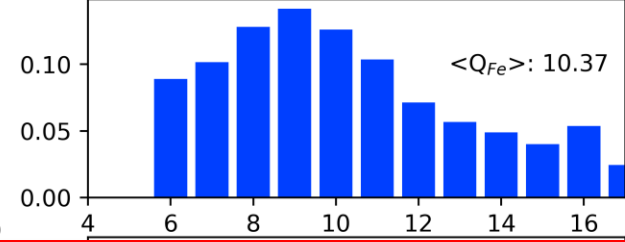
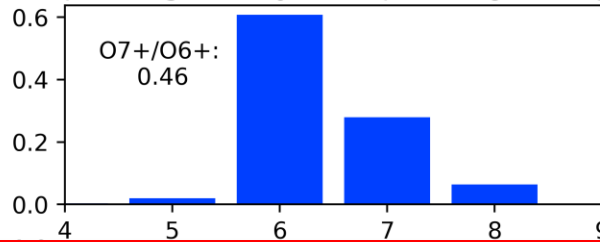
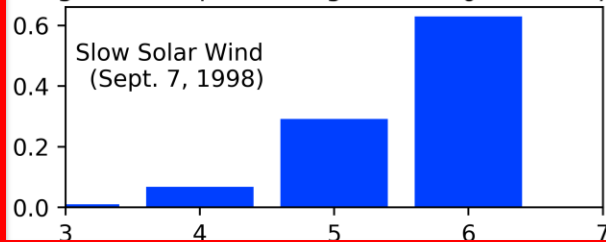
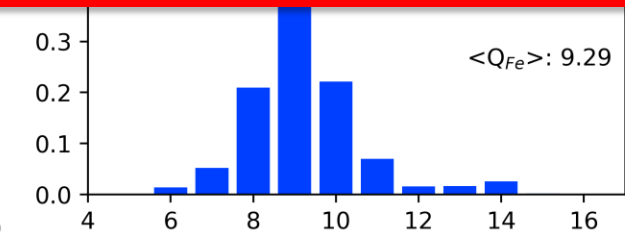
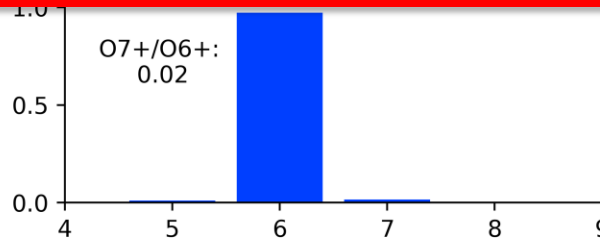
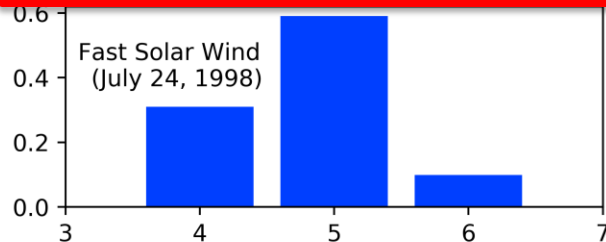


Carbon

Oxygen

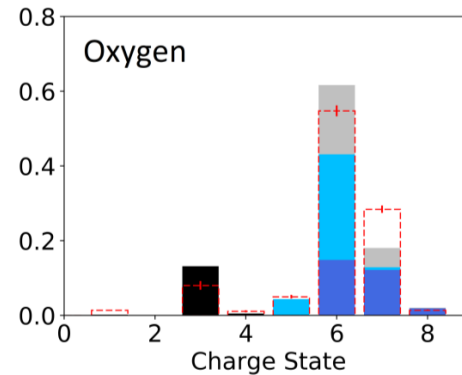
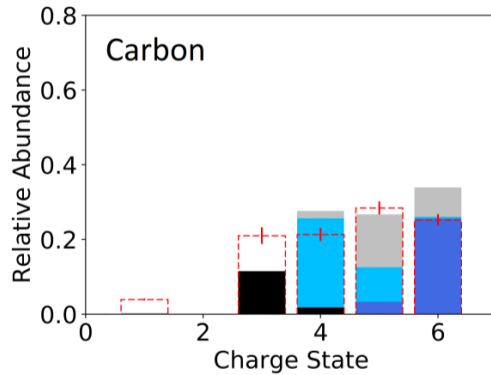
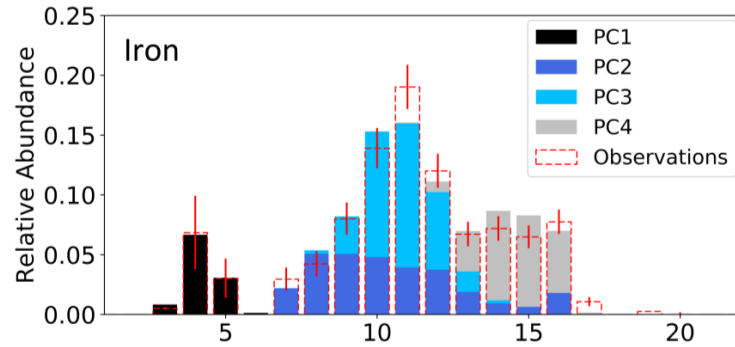
Iron

PC 2

Slow Solar Wind  
(Sept. 7, 1998)Fast Solar Wind  
(July 24, 1998)

Charge State





$$\text{Fe} : 0.10PC_1 + 0.33PC_2 + 0.33PC_3 + 0.24PC_4$$

$$\text{C-O} : 0.28PC_1 + 0.26PC_2 + 0.26PC_3 + 0.20PC_4$$

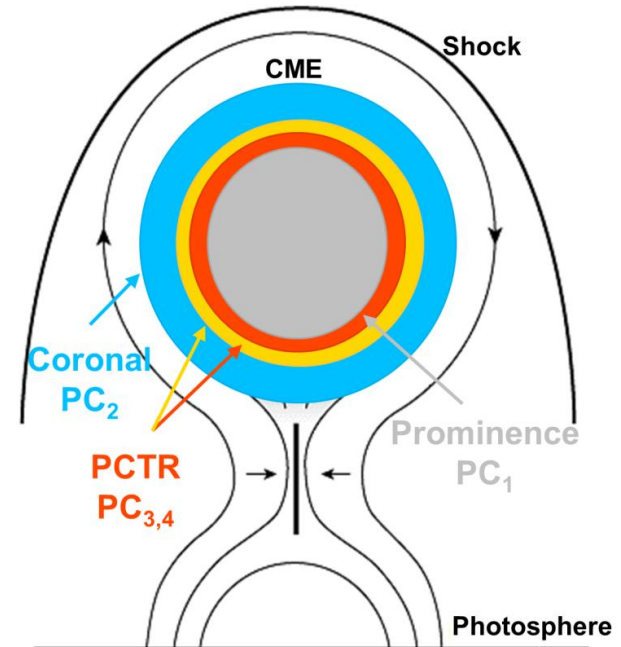


# Plasma Composition

RATIO OF ABSOLUTE ABUNDANCES TO PHOTOSPHERIC  
VALUES IN EACH PC.

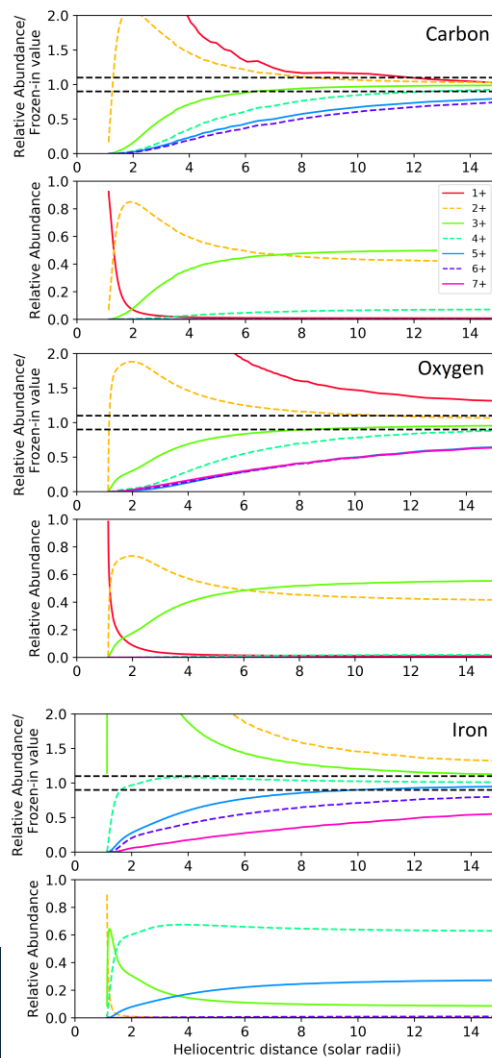
PC	Fe	C	O
1	$1.08 \pm 0.25$	$0.91 \pm 0.35$	$1.28 \pm 0.21$
2 & 3	$3.56 \pm 0.84$	$0.85 \pm 0.32$	$1.19 \pm 0.20$
4	$2.59 \pm 0.61$	$0.65 \pm 0.25$	$0.92 \pm 0.15$

- Values computed as:  $(X/H)/(X/H)_{\text{phot}}$  where  $(X/H)_{\text{phot}}$  taken from Asplund et al. 2009
- Plasma Composition:
  - PC 1 – photospheric abundances
  - PC 2-4 – coronal abundances
- Variation in temporal FIP evolution? Can we track this in a newly formed filament to observe FIP evolution with DKIST?



# PC 1 (filament)

- Freeze-in distances between components vary:
  - PC 1: 2-25Rs
  - PC 2-4: 2-10Rs
- PC1 ions are active during the heating phase but are able to survive. Why are they so few in situ observations?
- Have potential to be continuously ionized farther from the Sun



# PC 4 (PCTR)

