



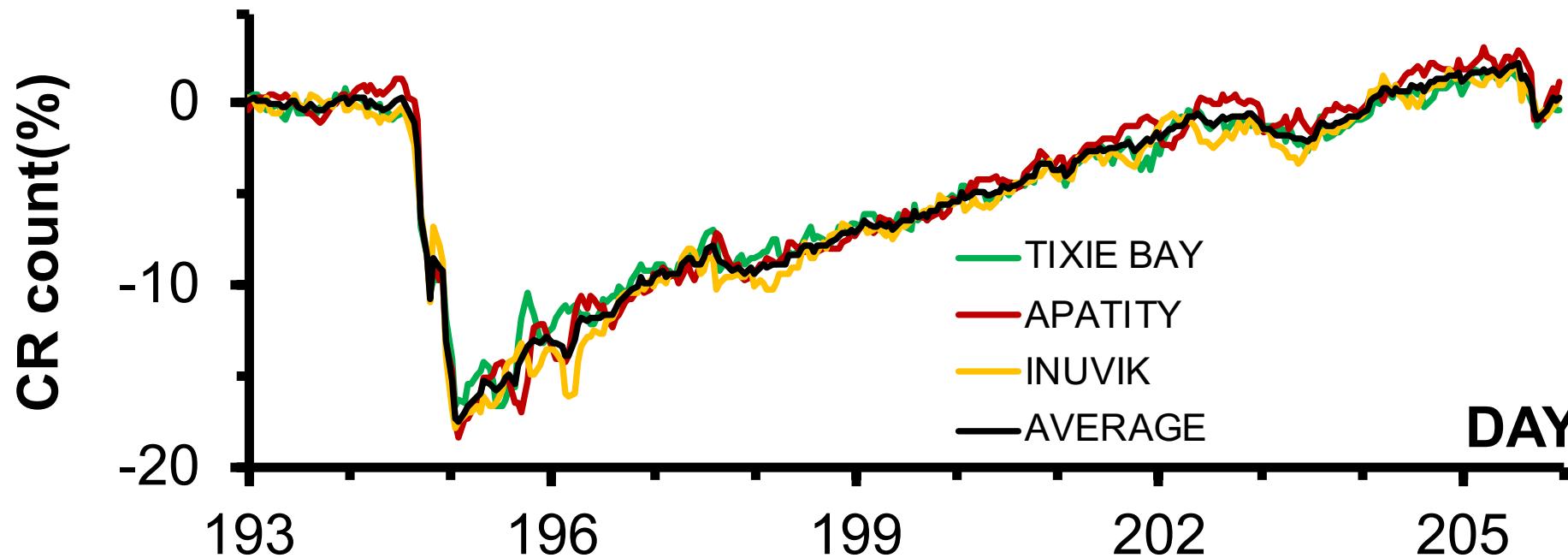
# Forbush decrease model for expanding CMEs (ForbMod)

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# What are Forbush decreases?

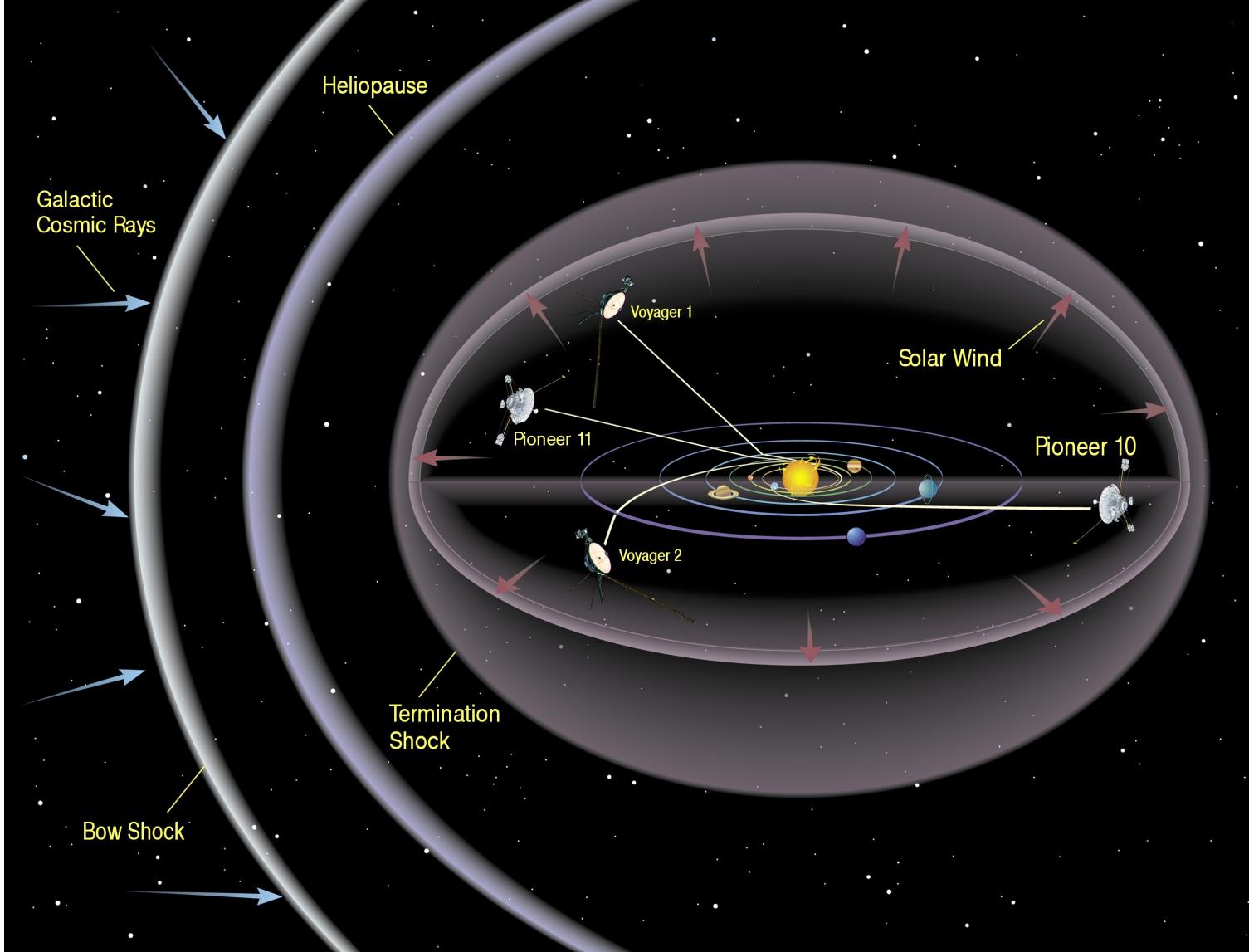


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First observed by Forbush, 1937 and Hess & Demmelmaier, 1937

Short term decreases in galactic cosmic ray count  
Typical duration several days  
Typical amplitudes several %  
(depends on the detector)

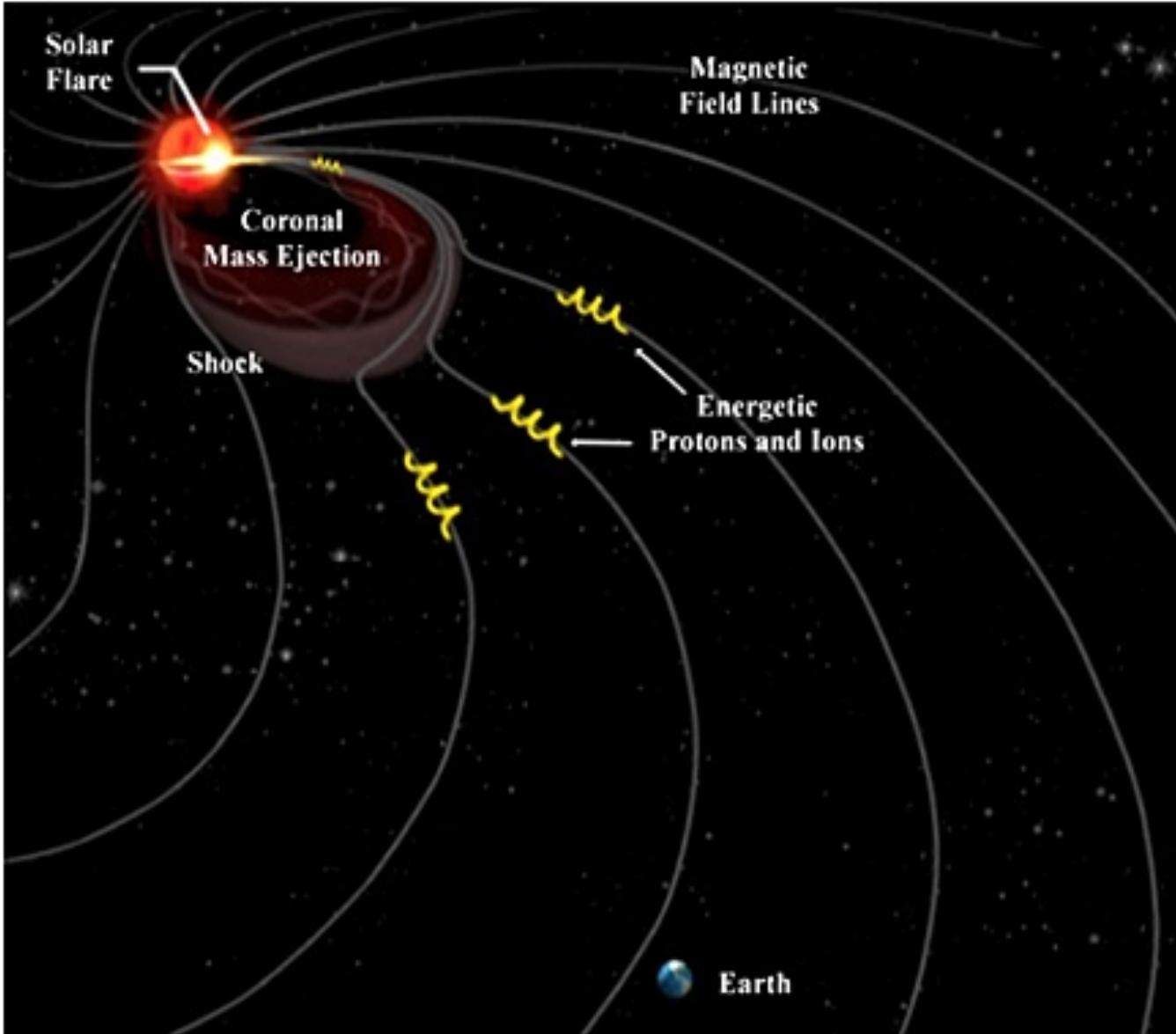
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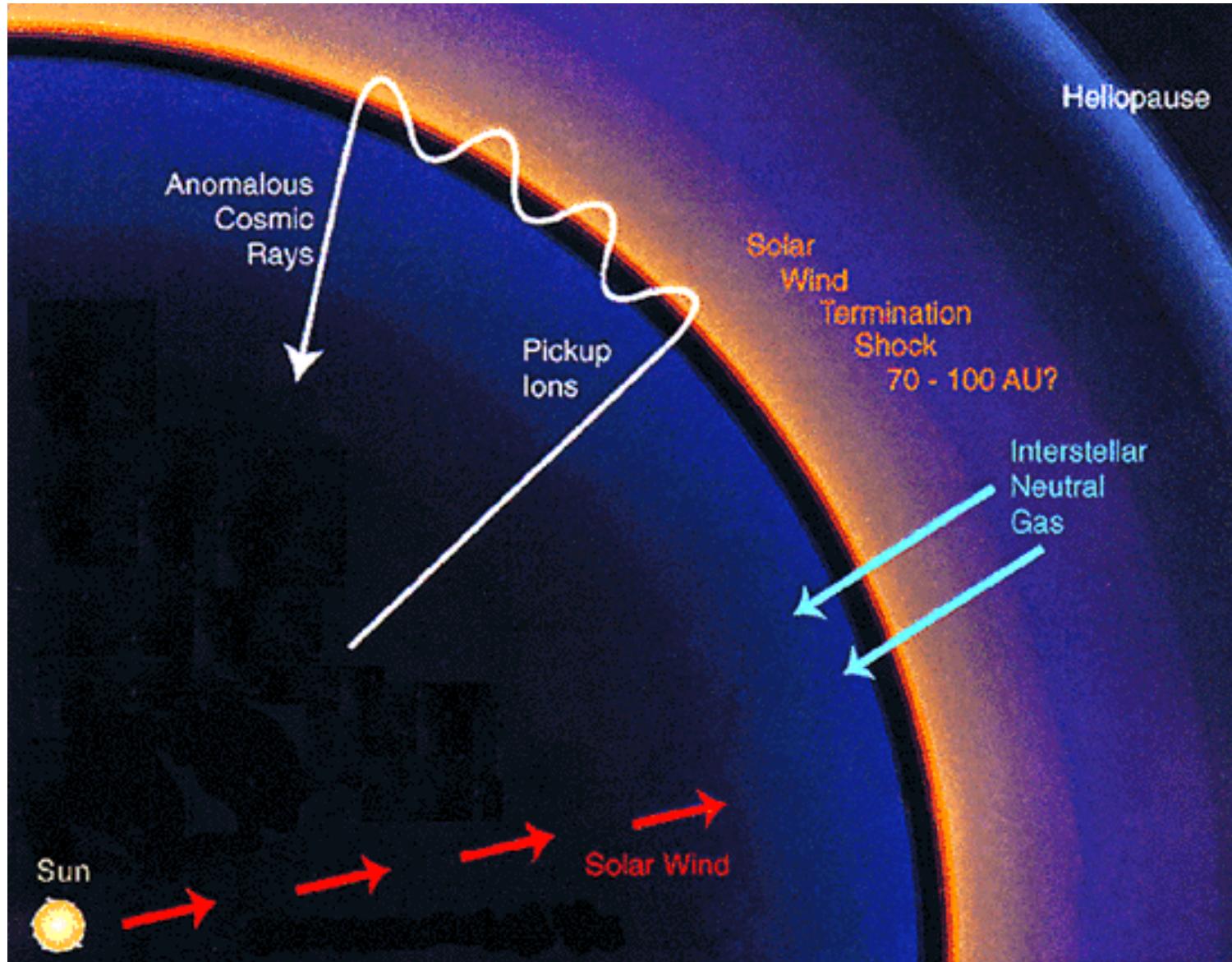
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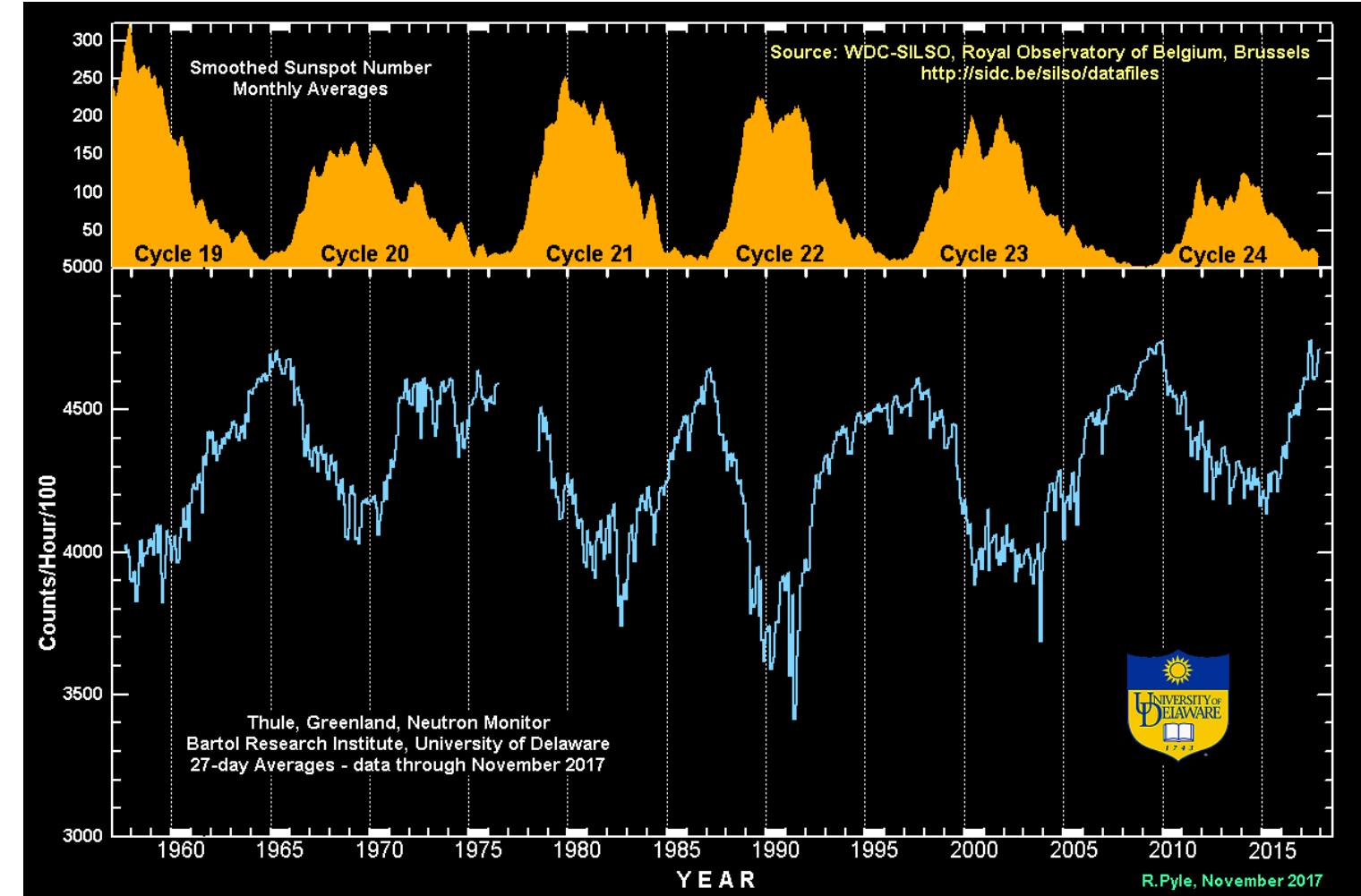
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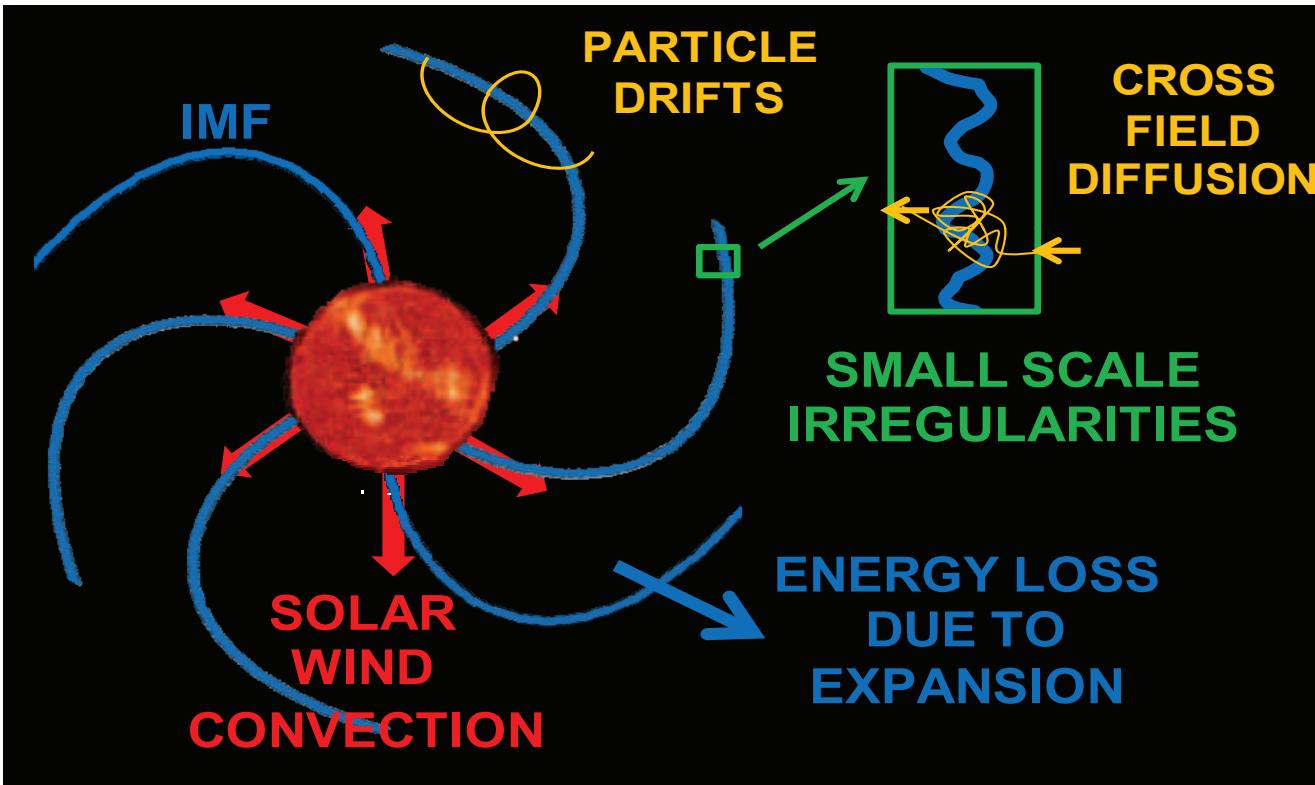
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Parker, 1965

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Adiabatic cooling

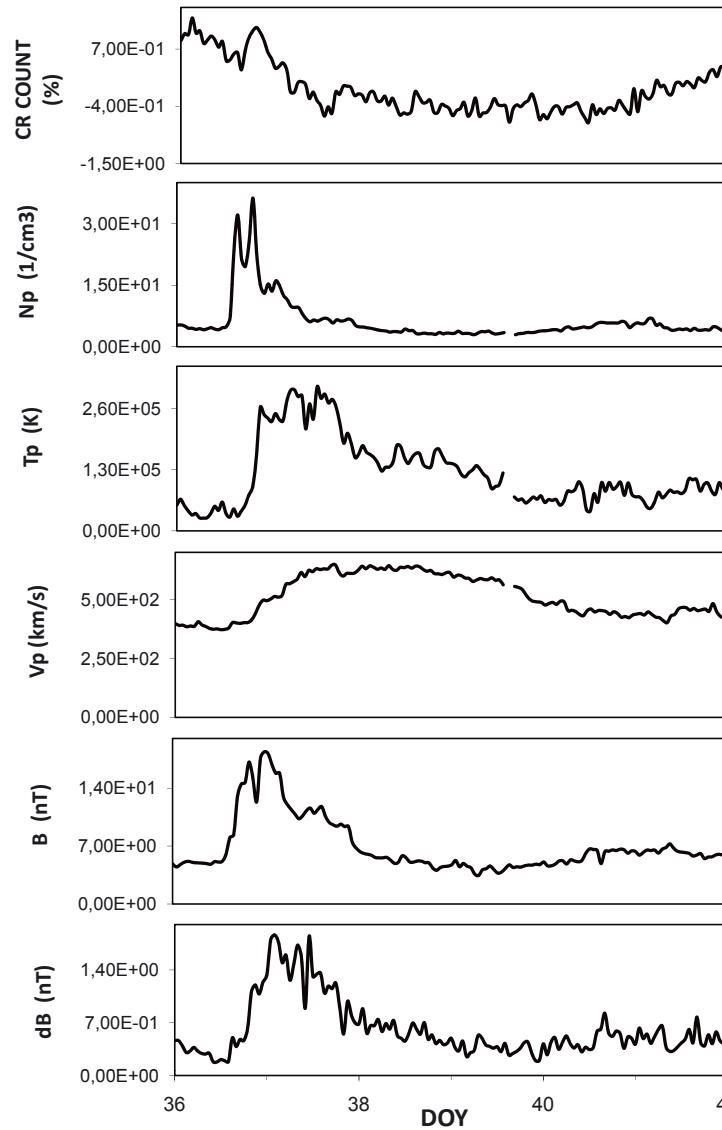
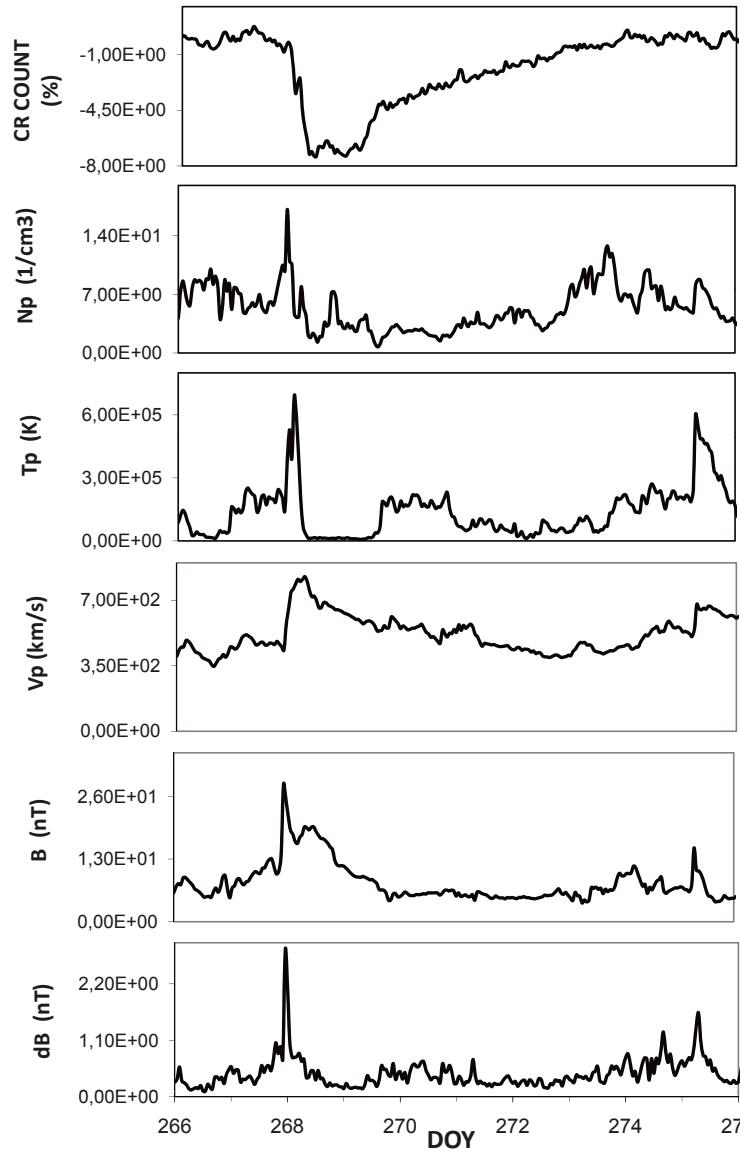
GCR distribution function  $F(P,t,r)$

diffusion

drifts

convection

# What causes Forbush decreases?



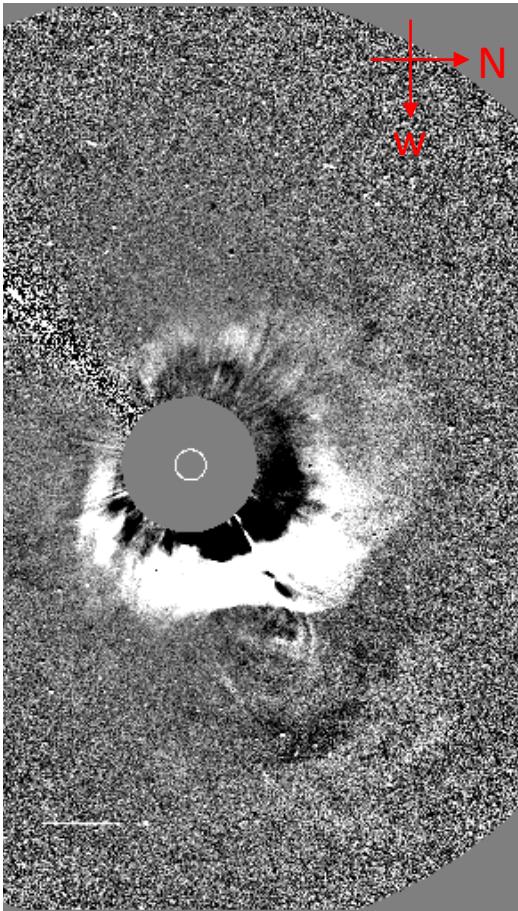
Various shapes and sizes



Various interplanetary transients

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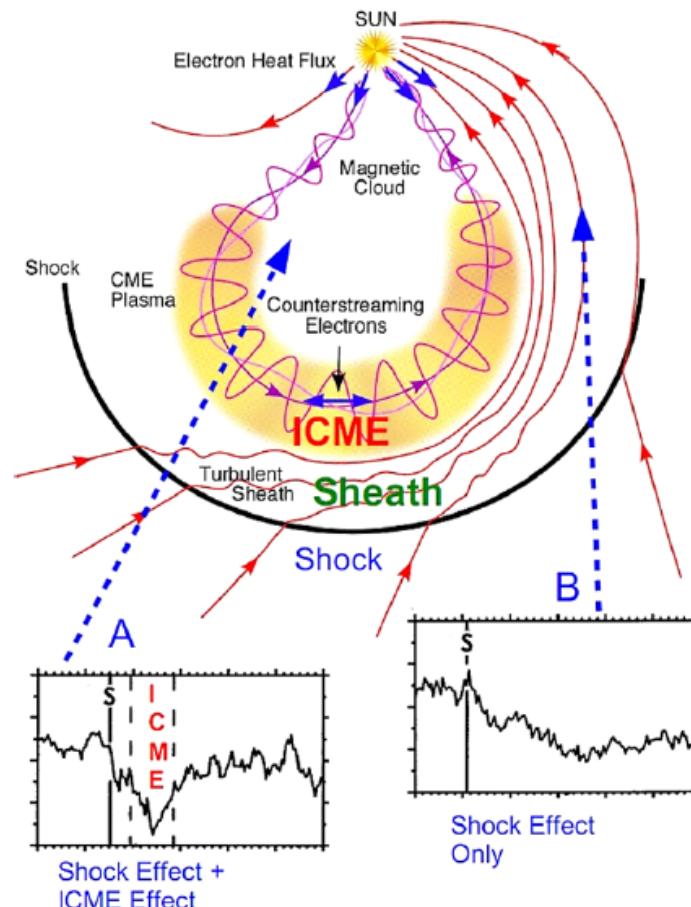
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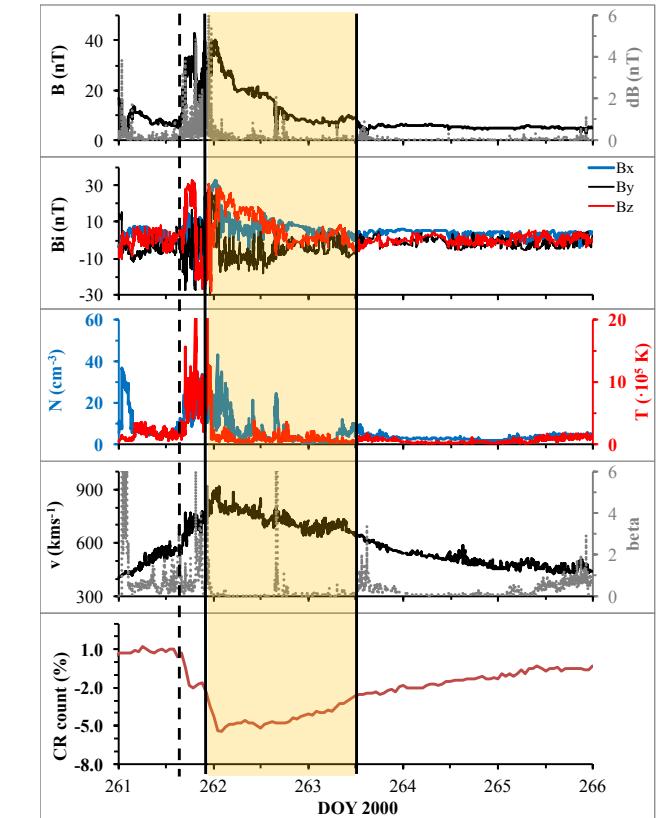
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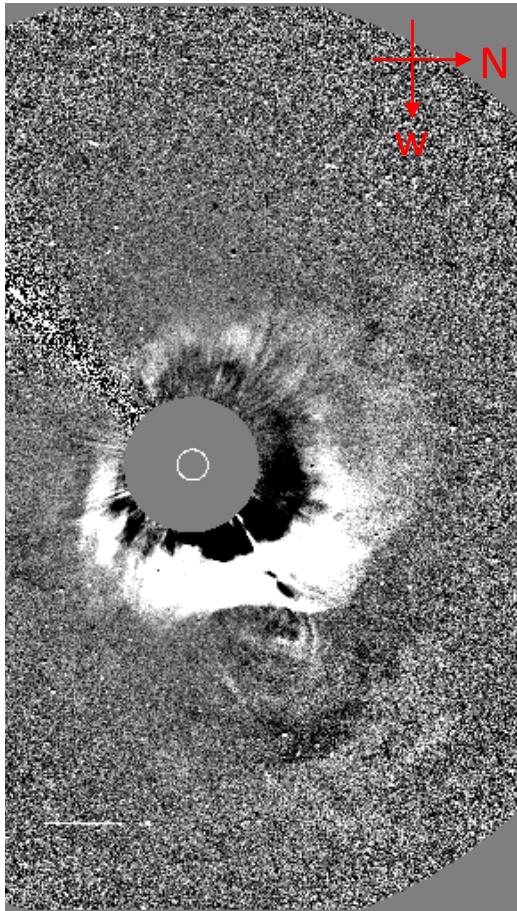


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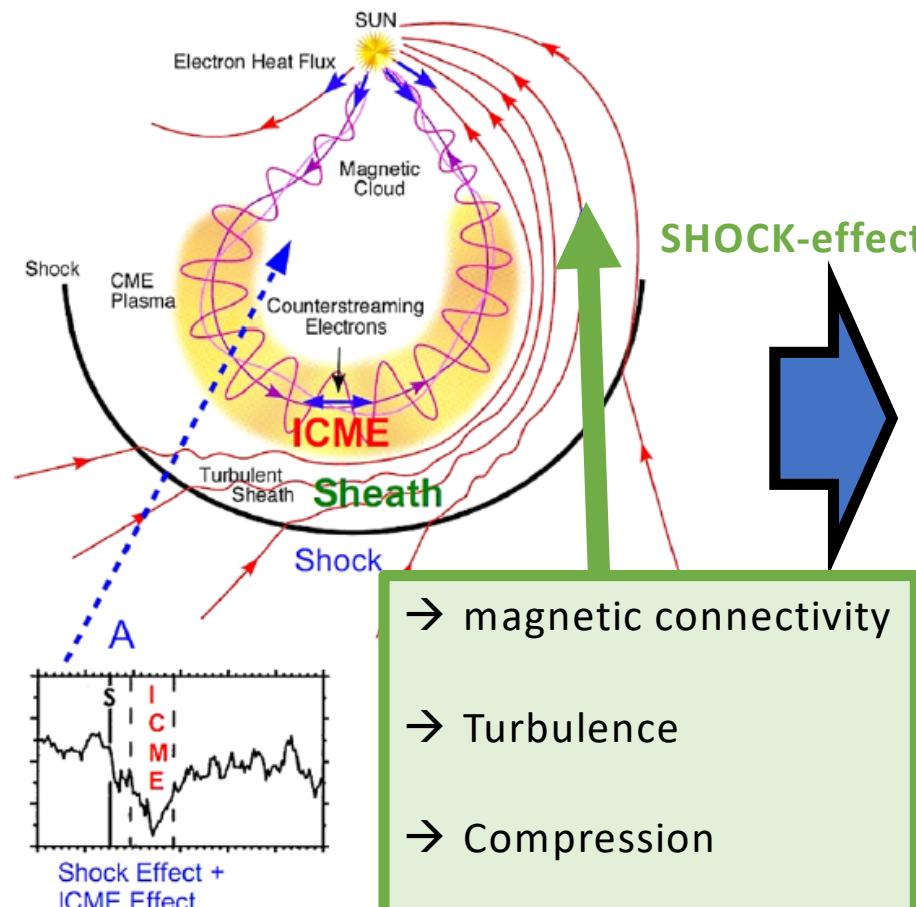
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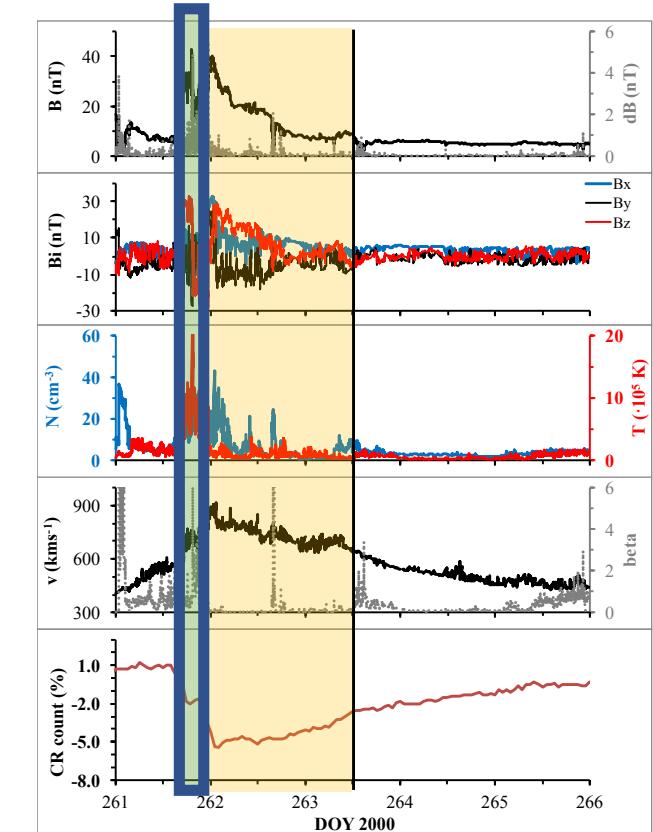
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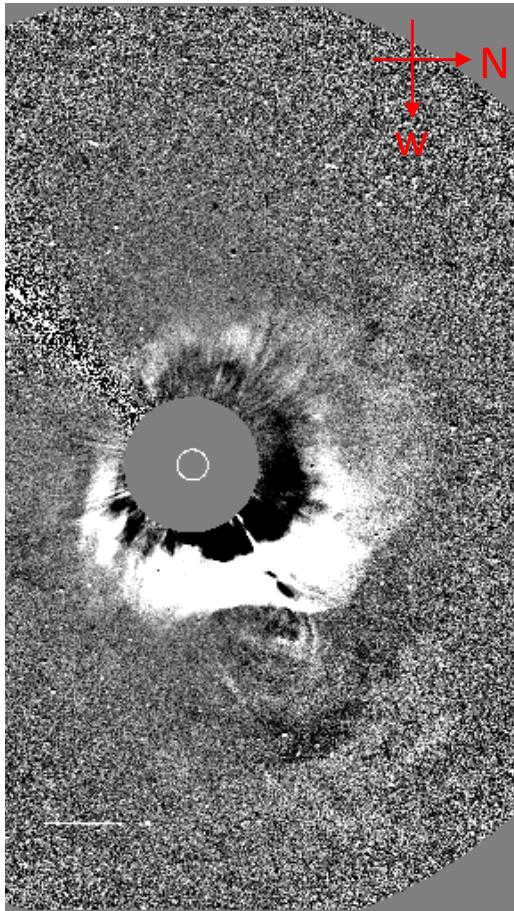


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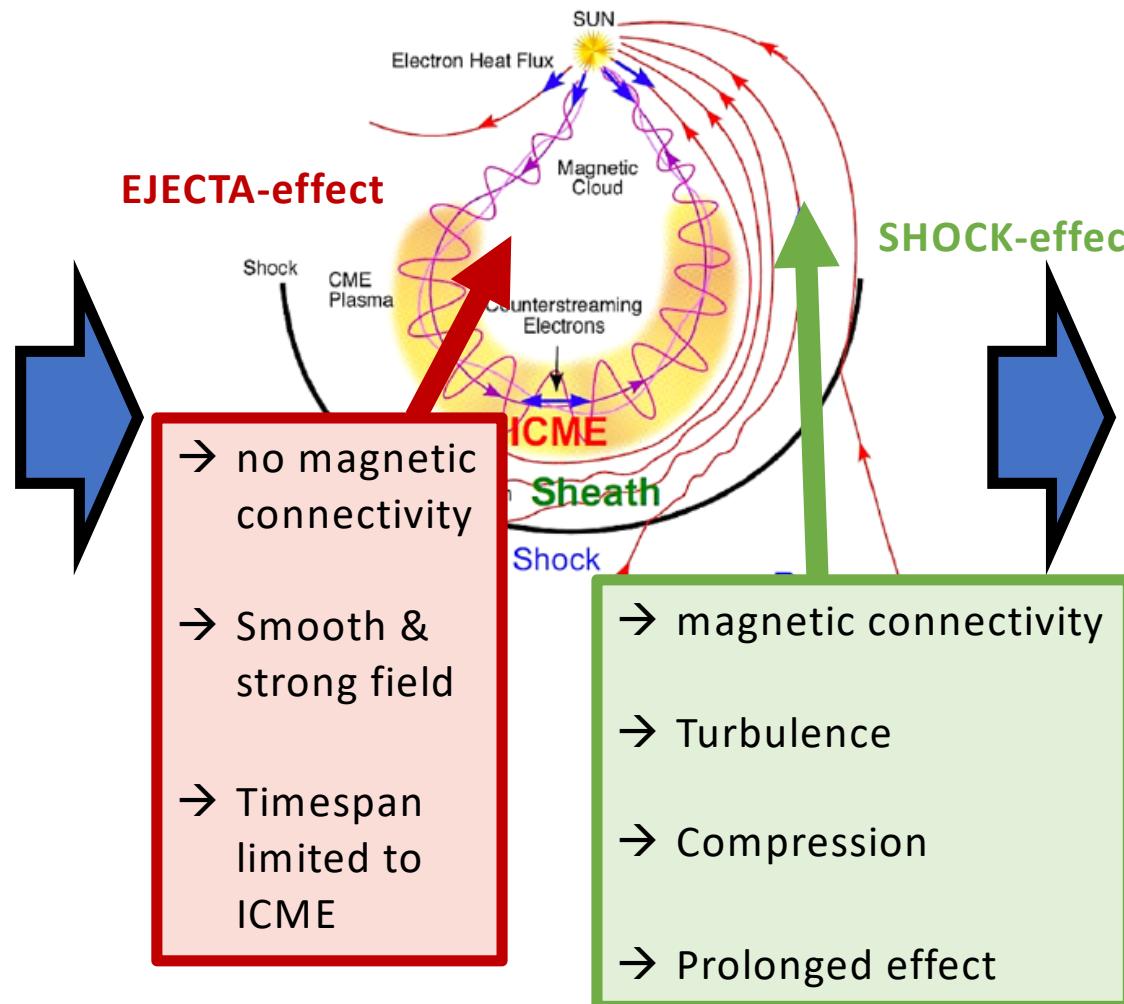
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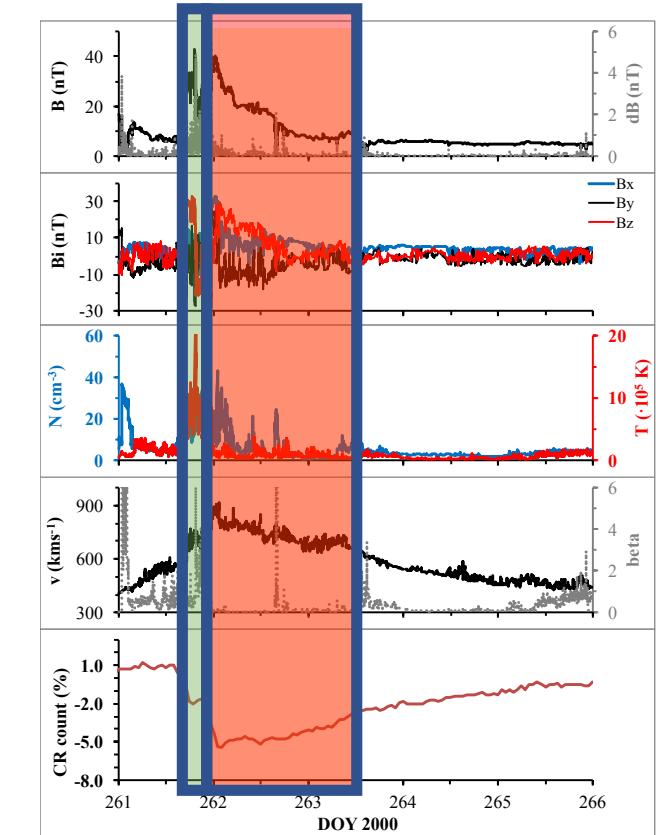
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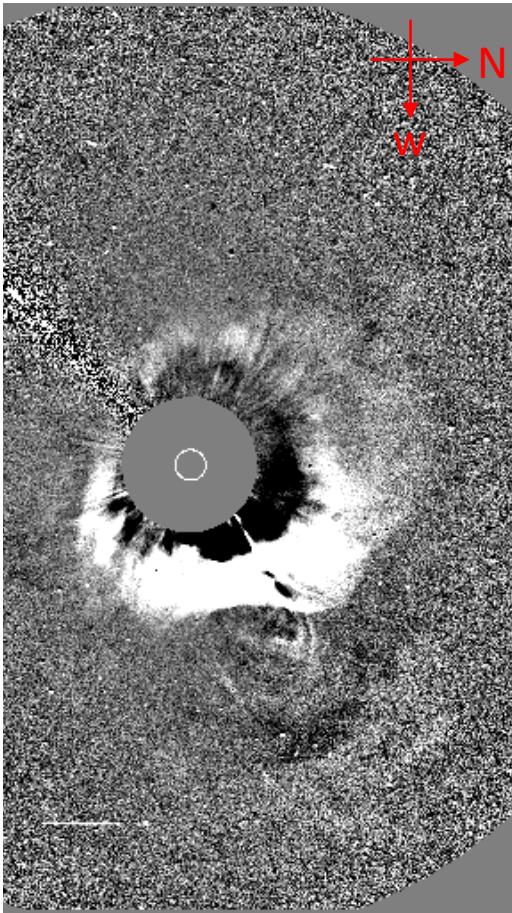


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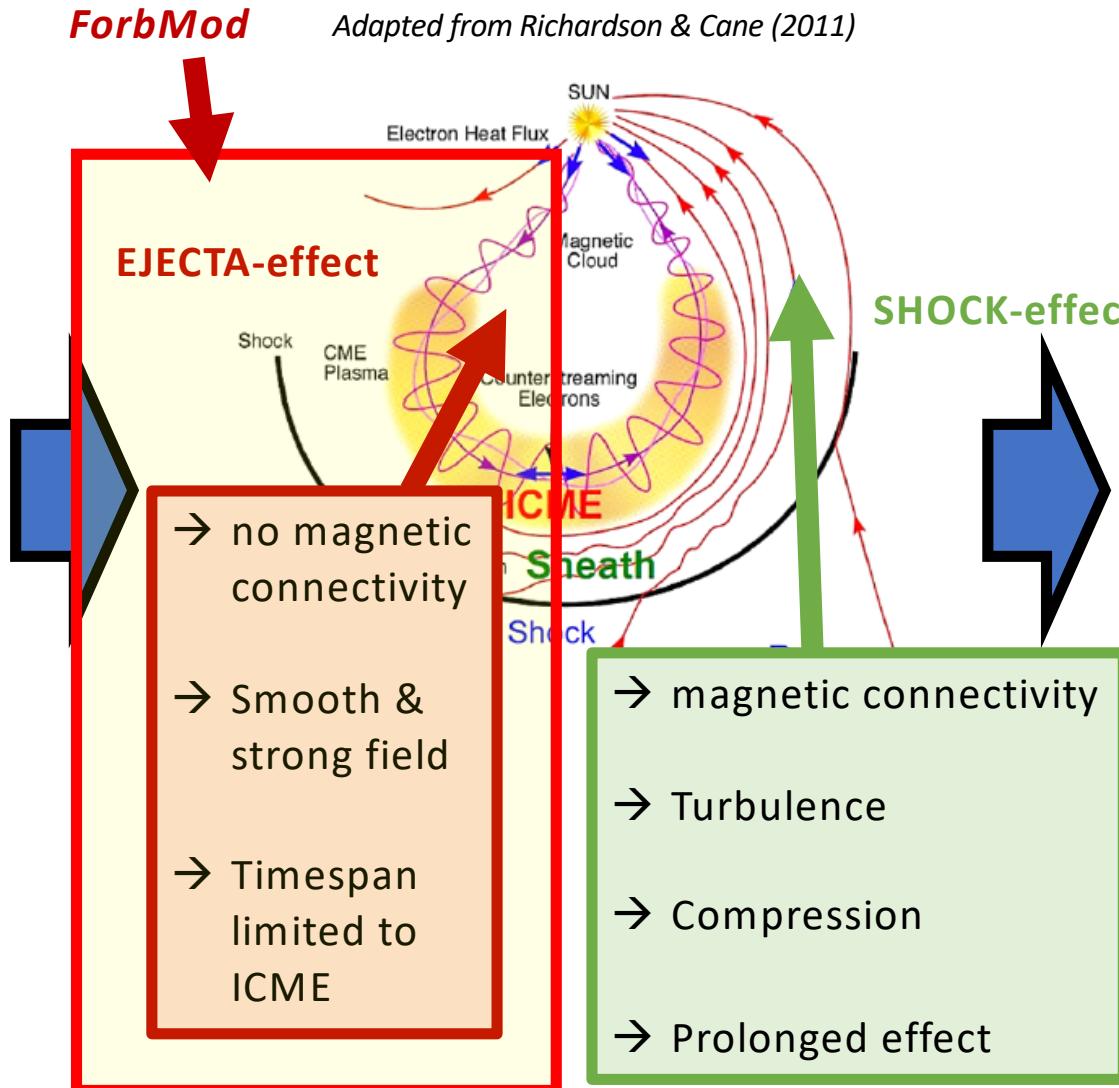
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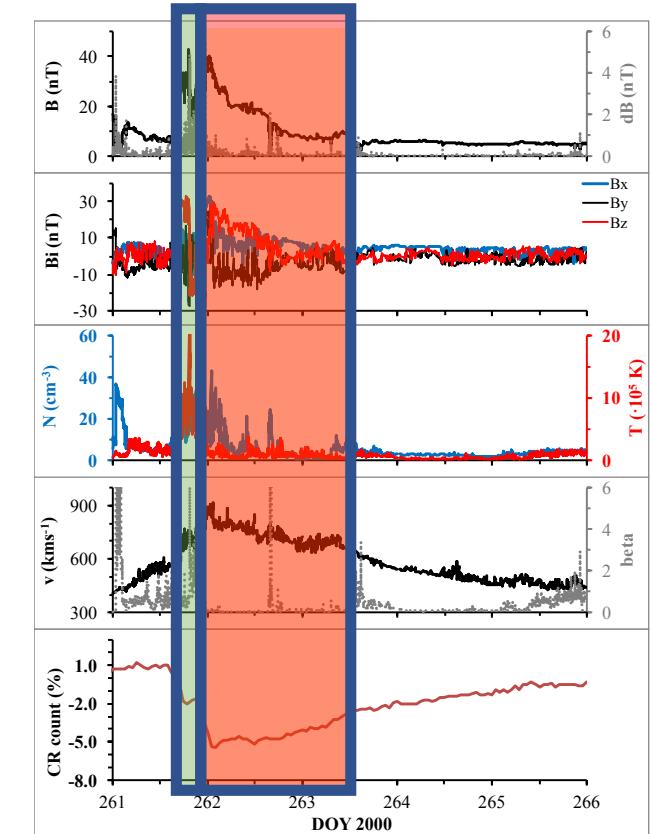


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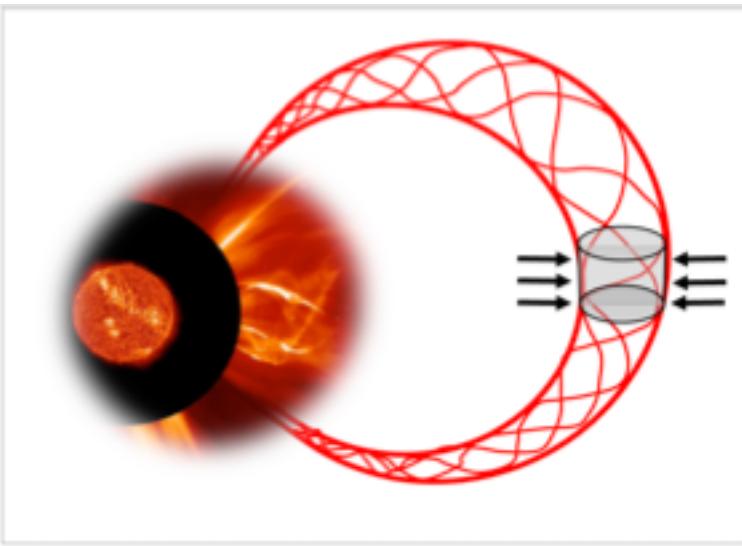


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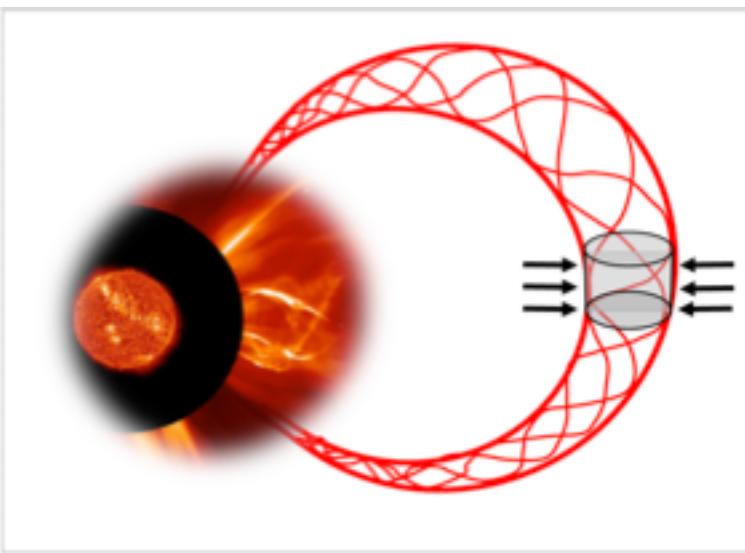
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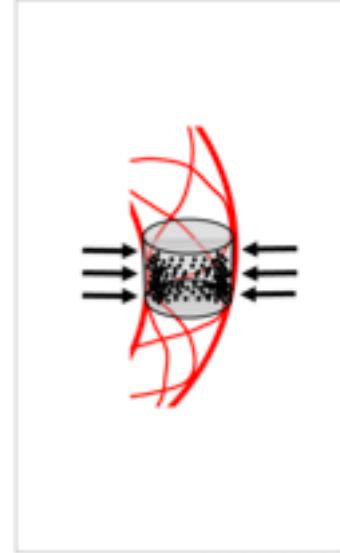
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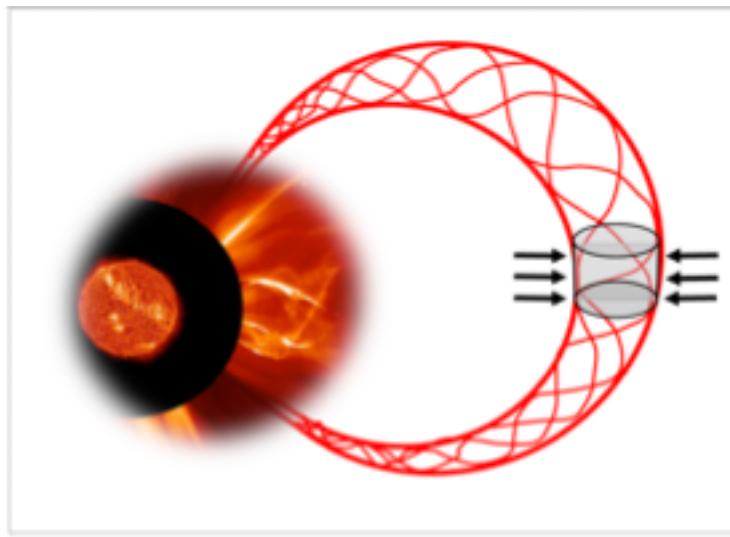
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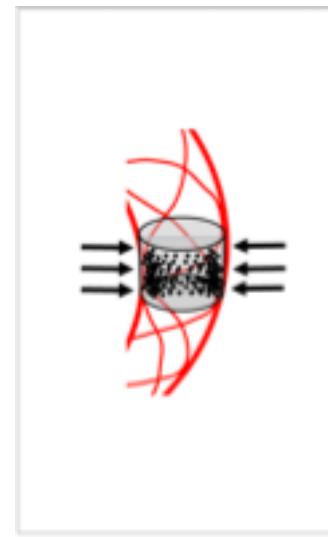
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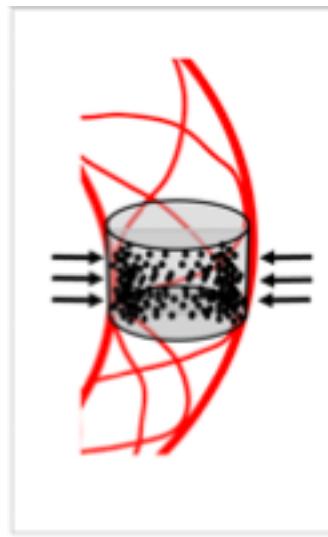
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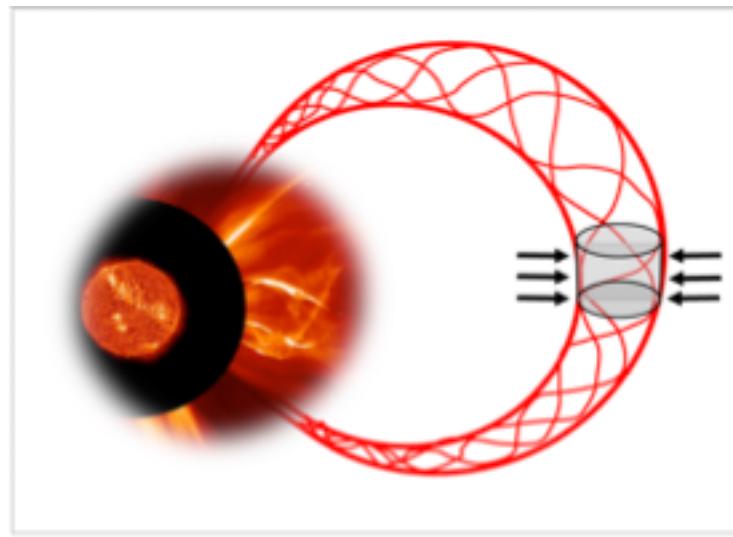


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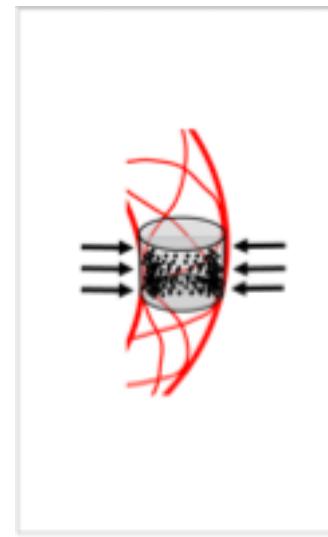
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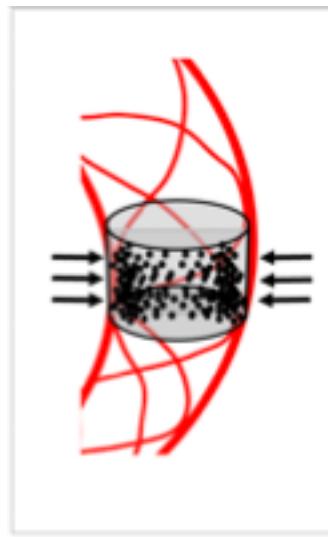
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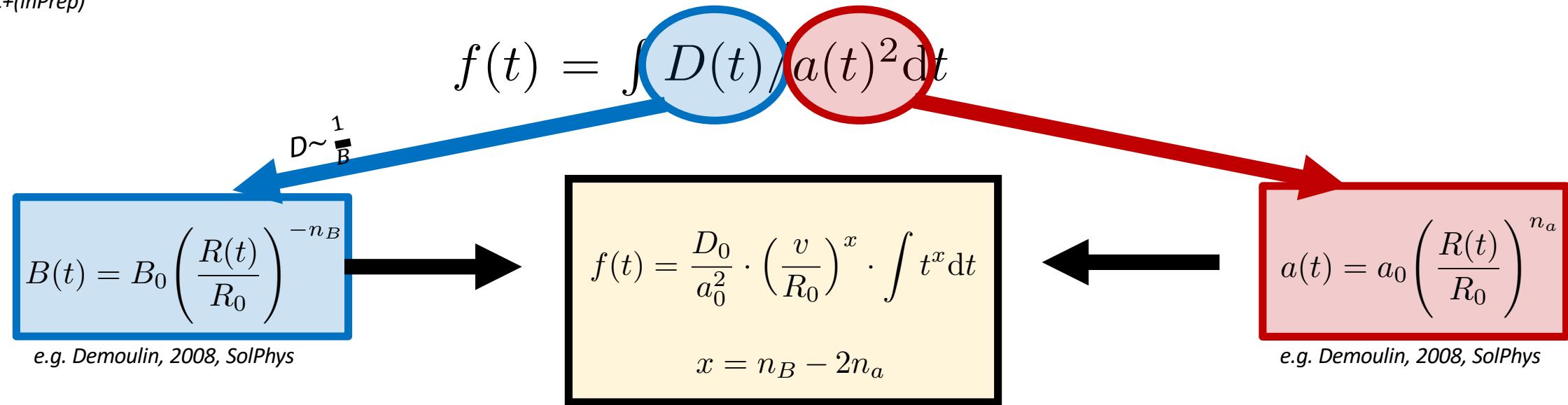
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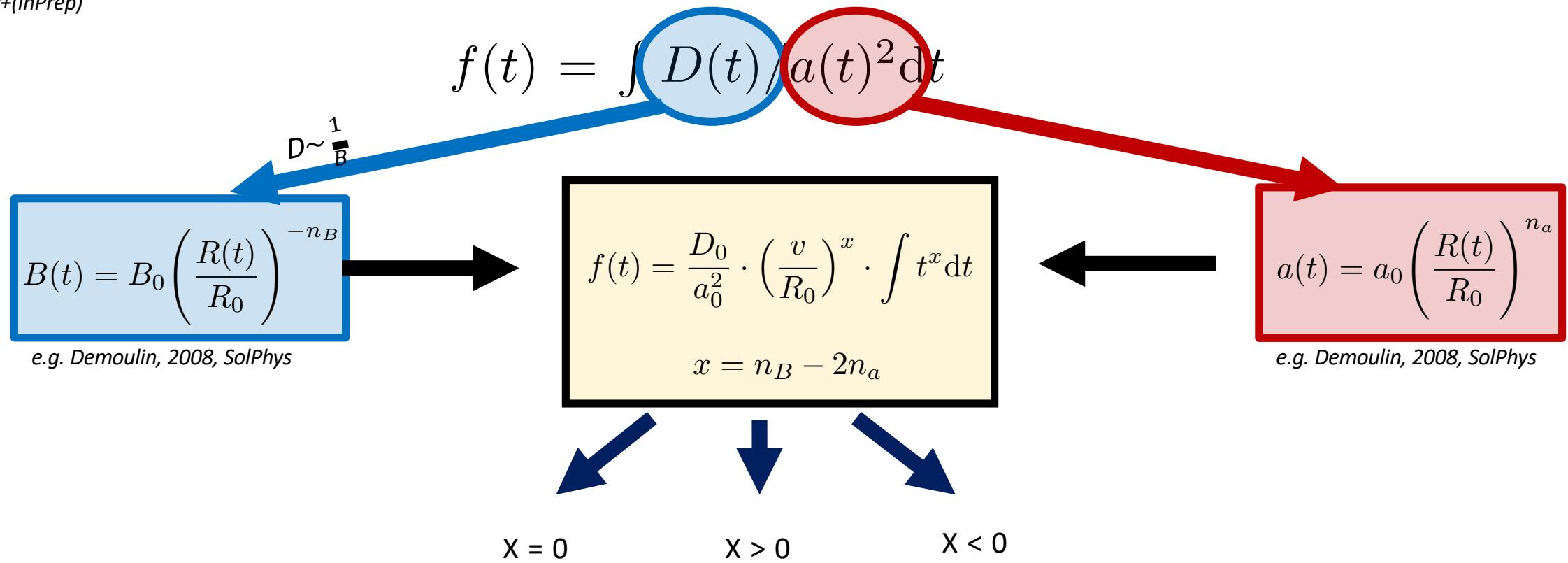
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COMPETITION

BETWEEN CHANGE IN THE MAGNETIC FIELD

AND THE CHANGE IN THE SIZE



Physical explanation?

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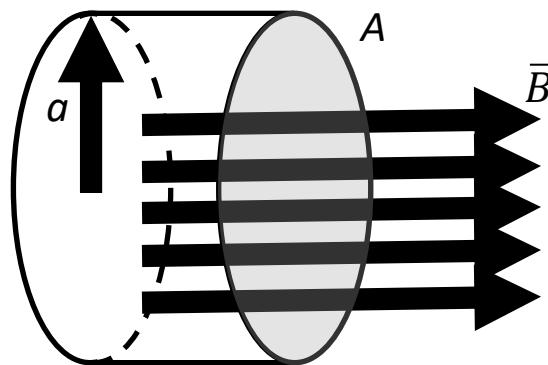
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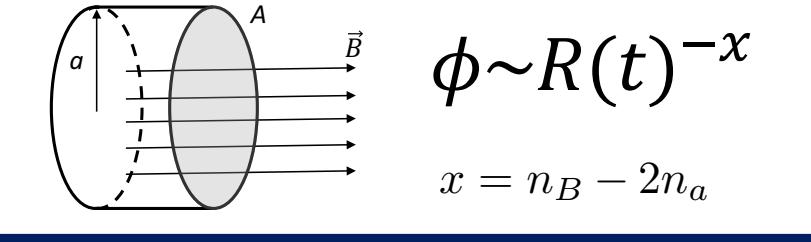
$$\phi = B \cdot A$$

$(A \sim a^2)$

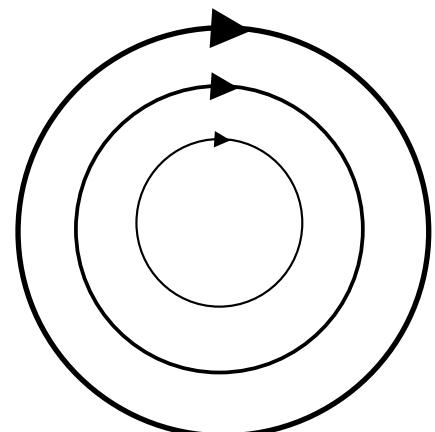
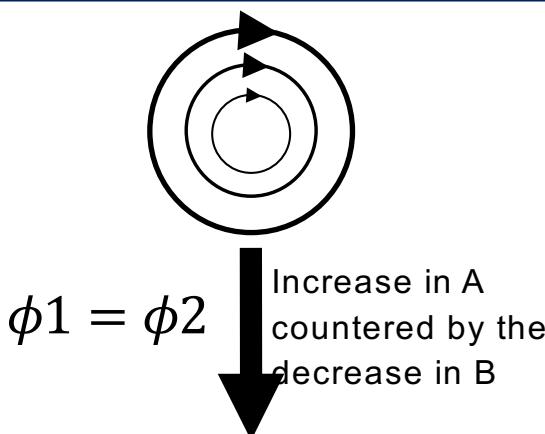
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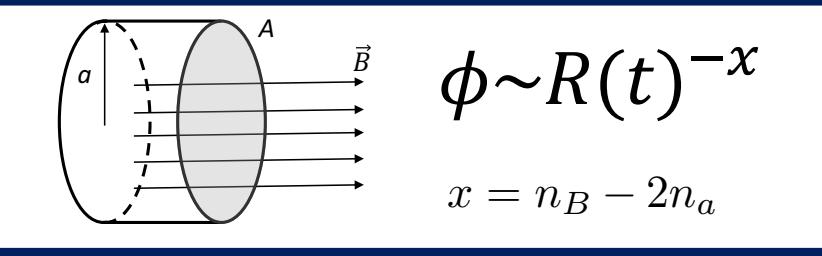
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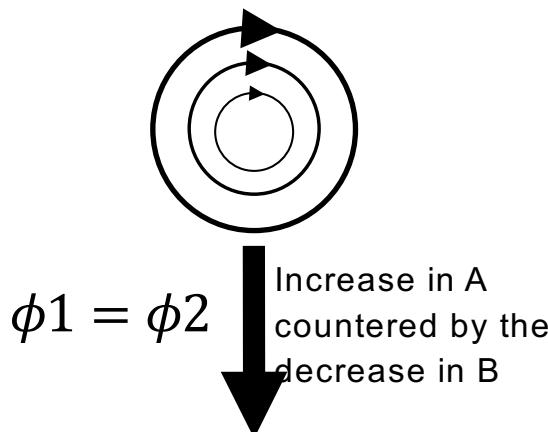

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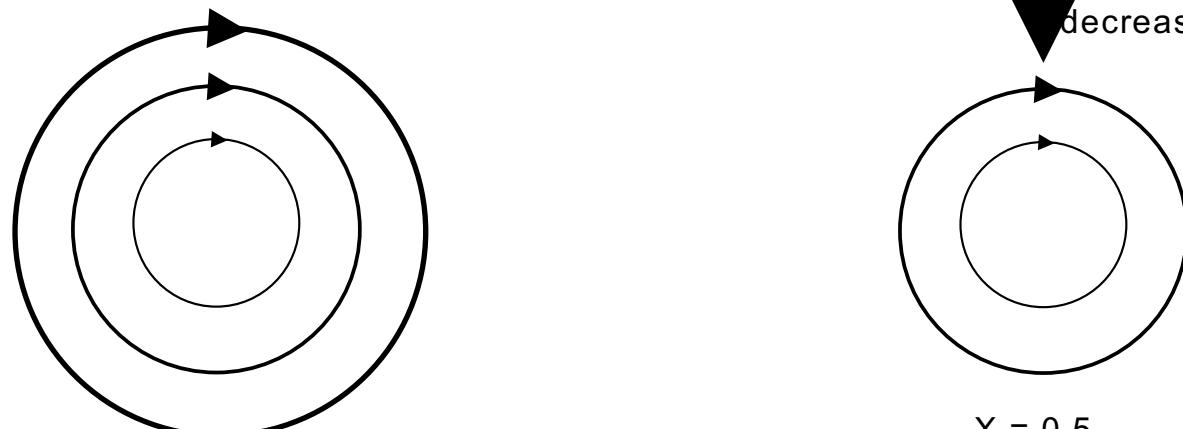
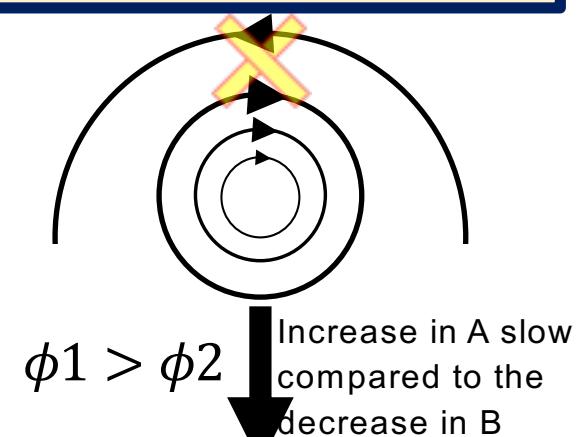




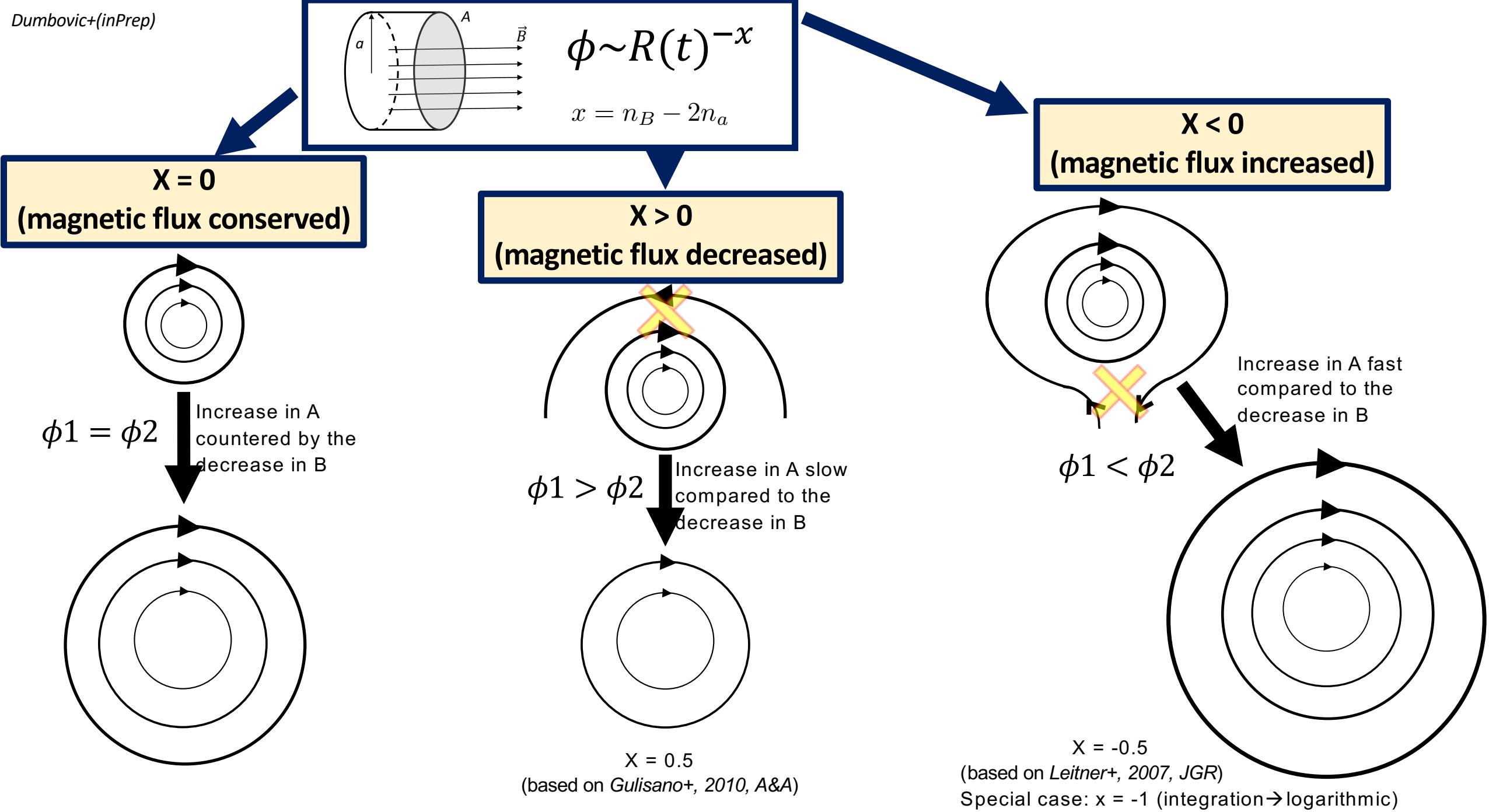
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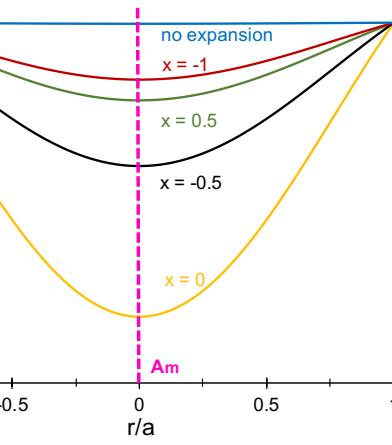
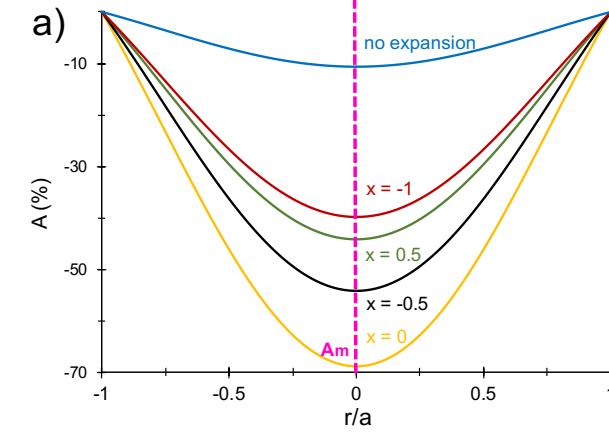
$X > 0$   
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$X = 0.5$   
(based on Gulisano+, 2010, A&A)

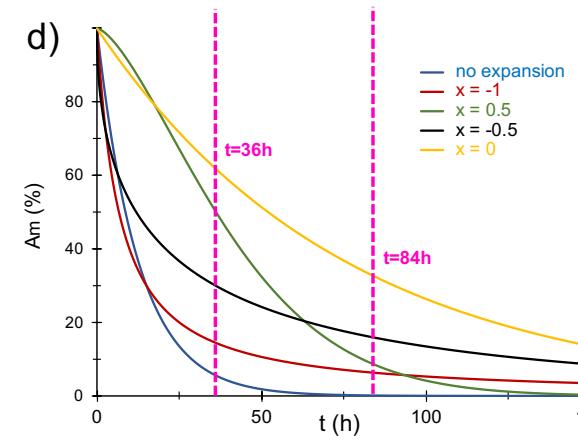
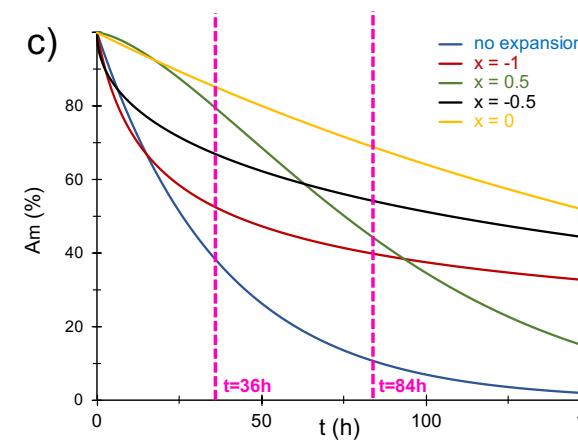


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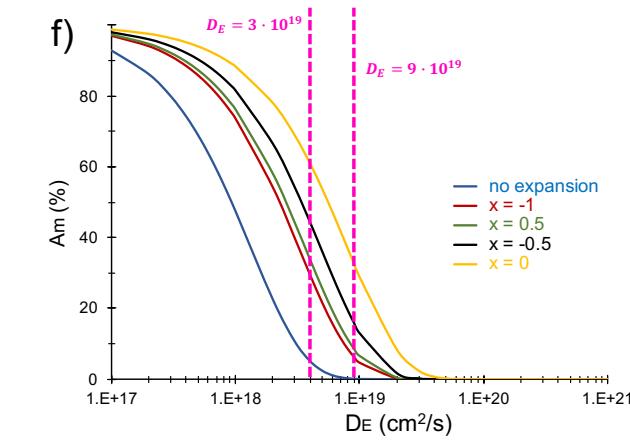
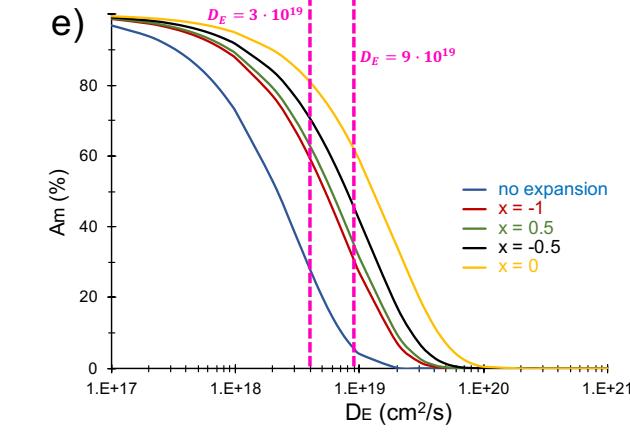
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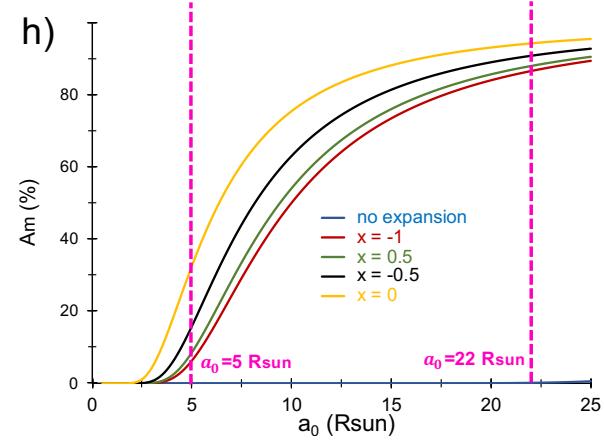
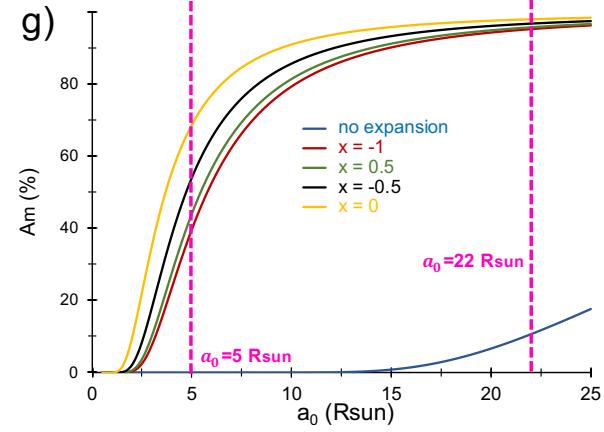


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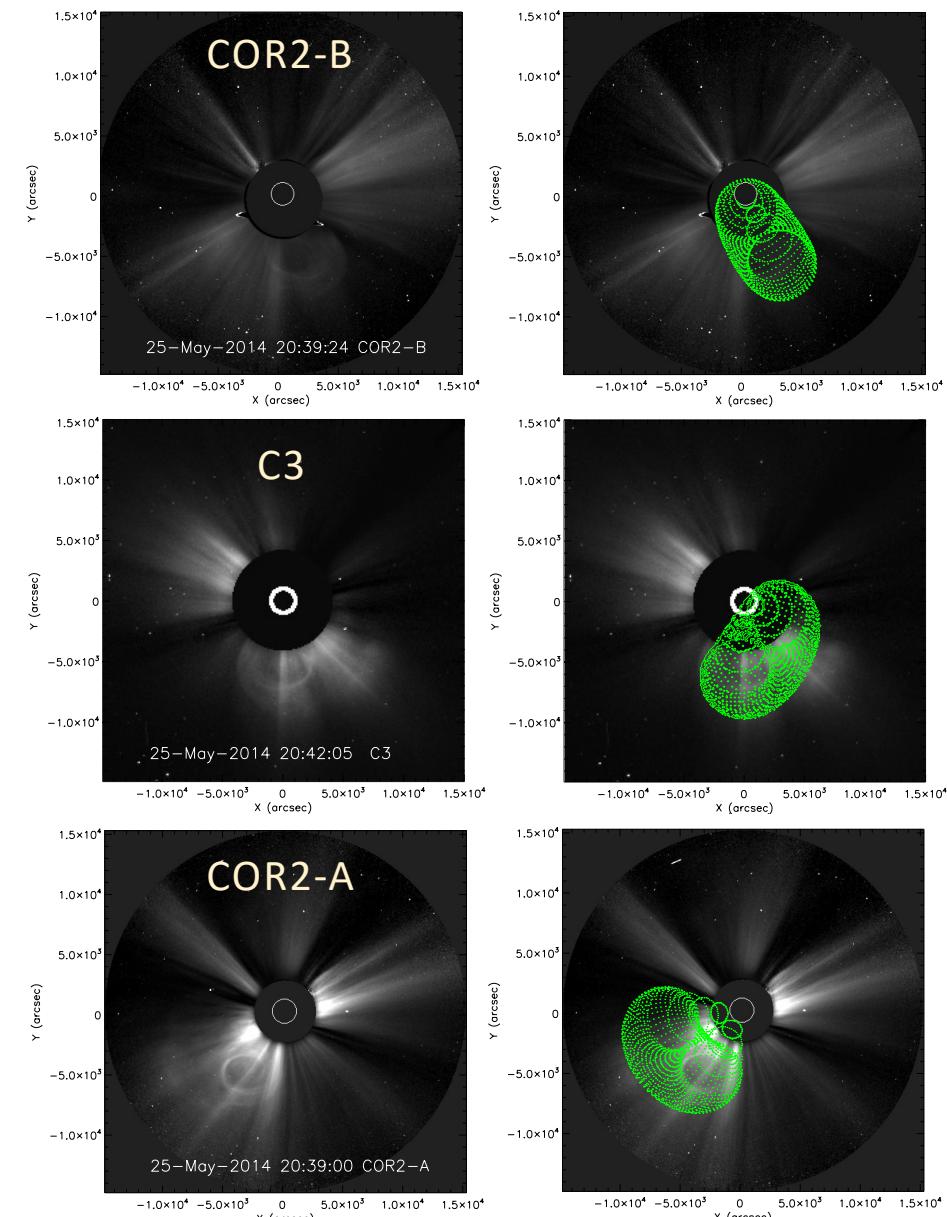
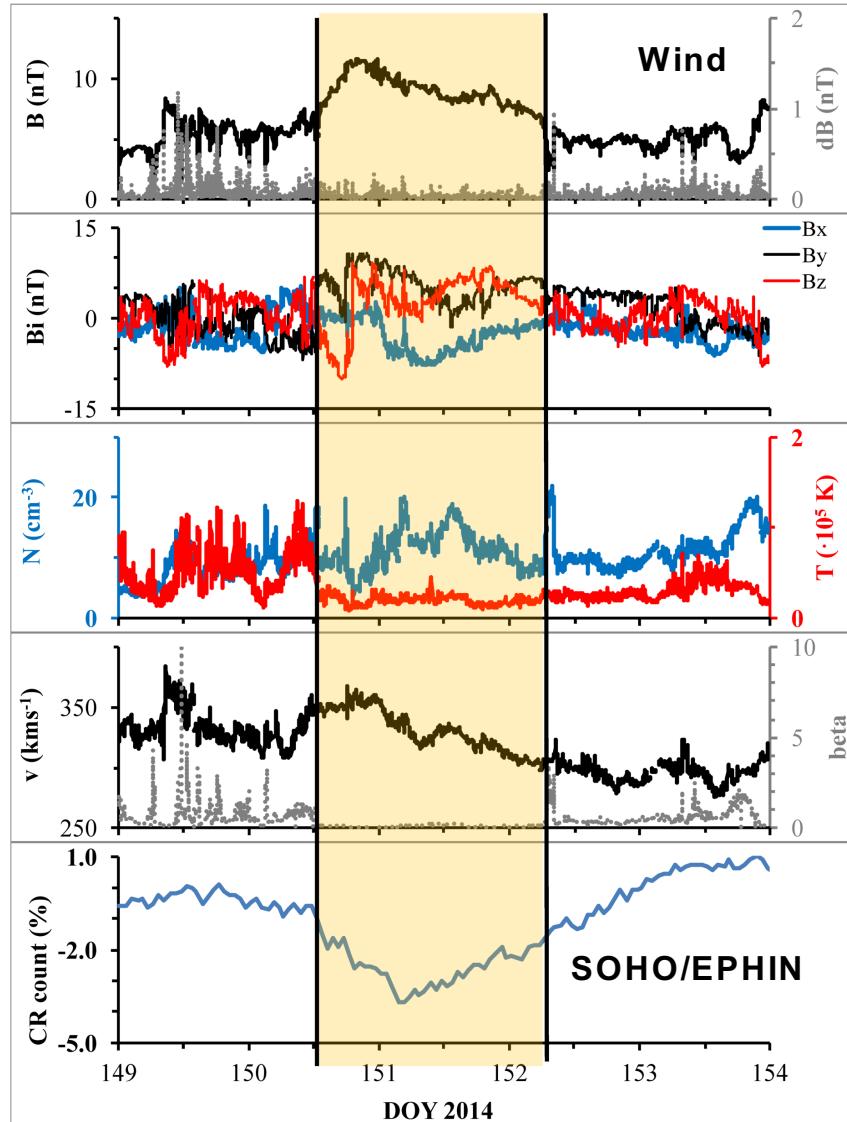
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# COMPLEX INTERPLAY OF DIFFUSION AND EXPANSION

# THE CASE STUDY



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**CME: 2014 May 25**

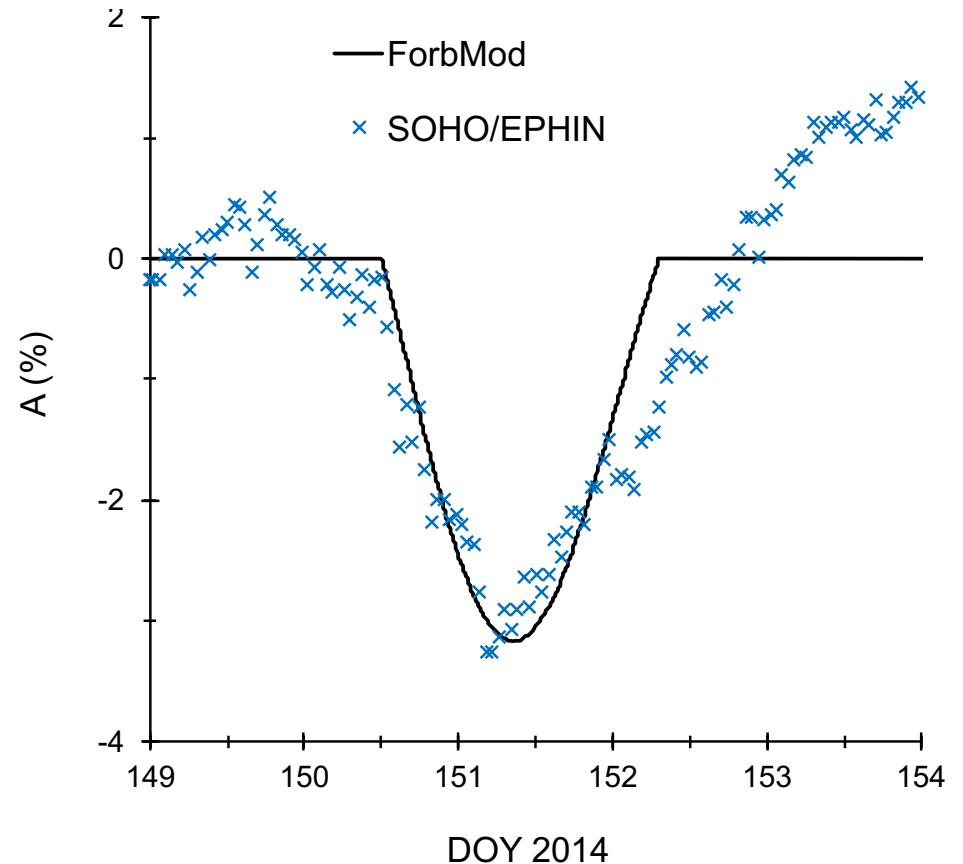
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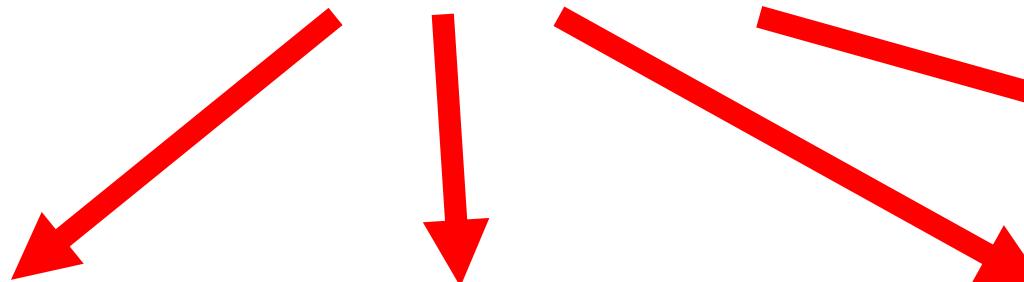
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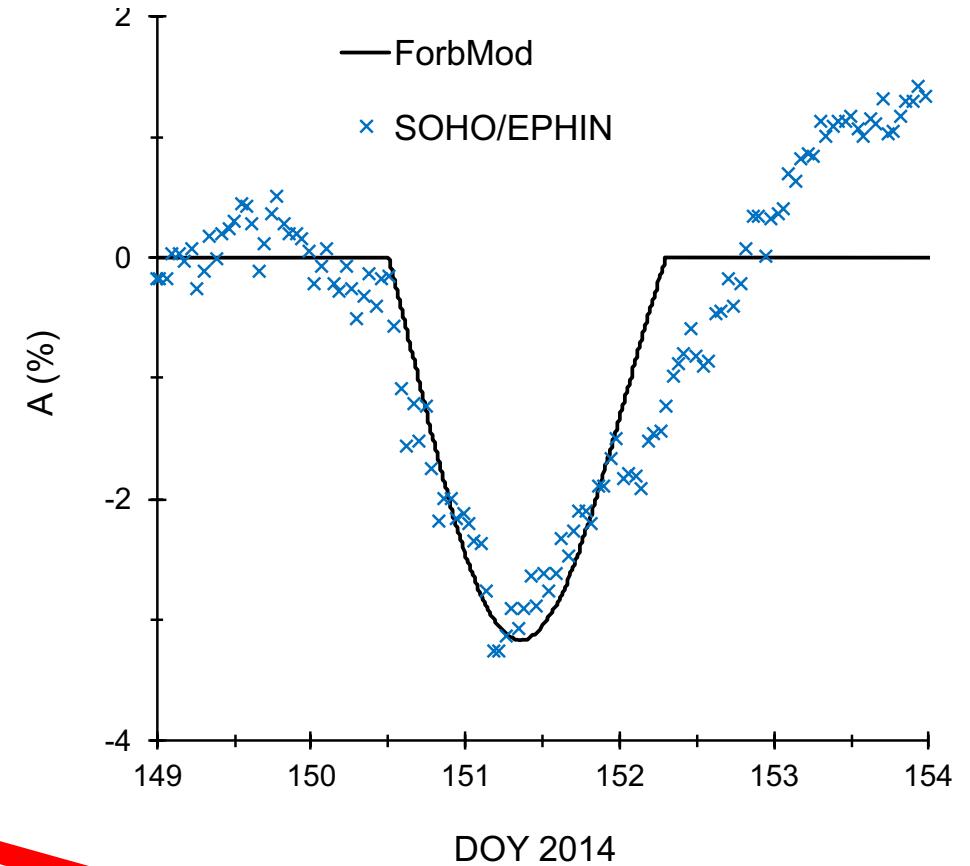


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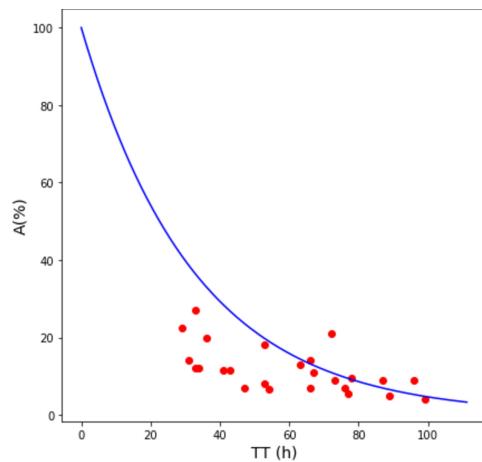
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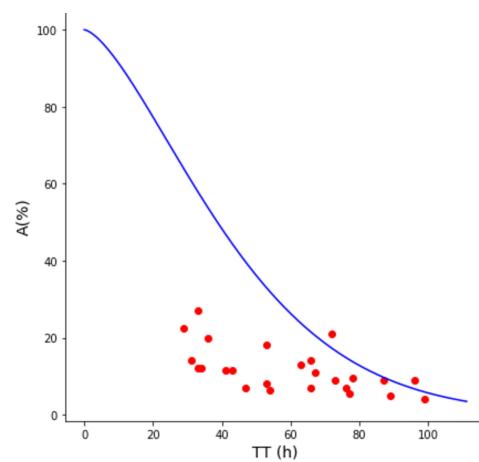


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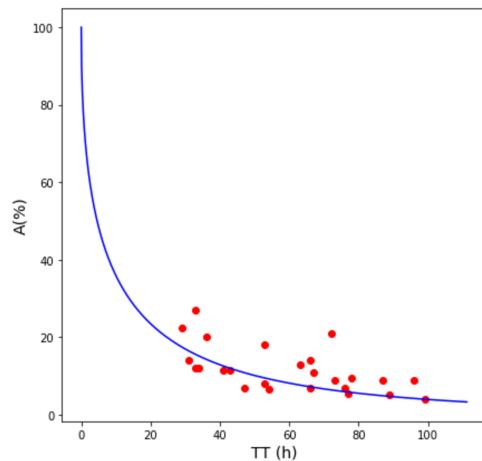


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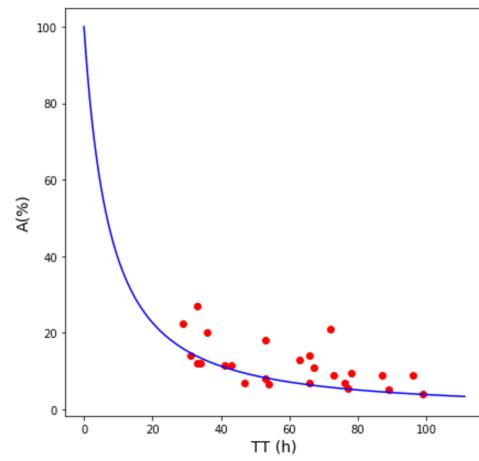


$A=FD$  magnitude  
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$X=-1$  (mag. flux increased)  
 $\rightarrow D=0.45 \cdot 10^{19} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$

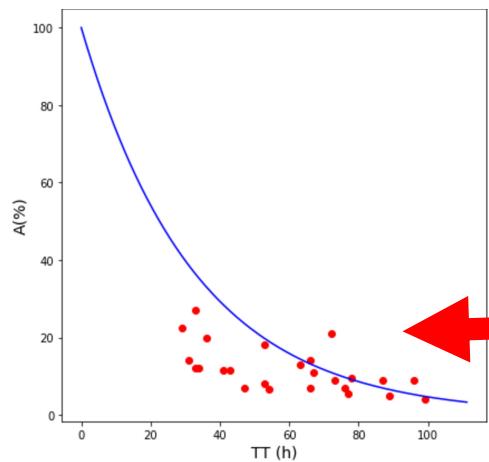


different expansion cases – different evolution  
(expansion competes with diffusion)

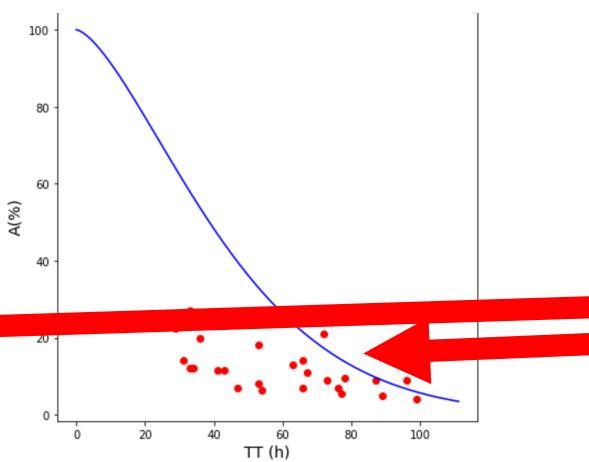
FD amplitude drops with time  
 $\rightarrow$  Qualitative agreement with observations  
(e.g. Cane+, 1994, JGR; Blanco+, 2013, A&A)

# THE CASE STUDY – ForbMod results: time evolution

$X=0$  (mag. flux conserved)  
 $\rightarrow D=1.22 \cdot 10^{19} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$



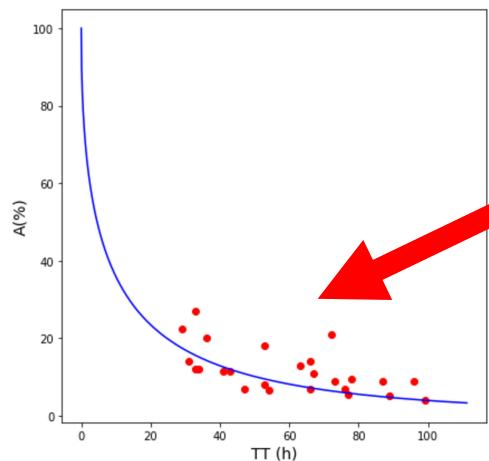
$X=0.5$  (mag. flux decreased)  
 $\rightarrow D=0.55 \cdot 10^{19} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$



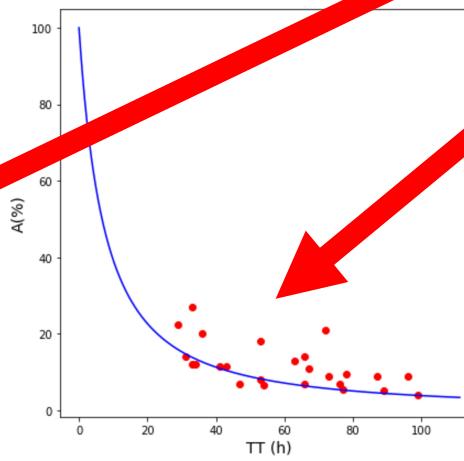
$A=FD$  magnitude  
(depression in the center of FR)

Measurements taken from  
Blanco+, 2013, A&A  
(statistical study of FD  
magnitude vs CME transit time)

$X=-0.5$  (mag. flux increased)  
 $\rightarrow D=0.68 \cdot 10^{19} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$



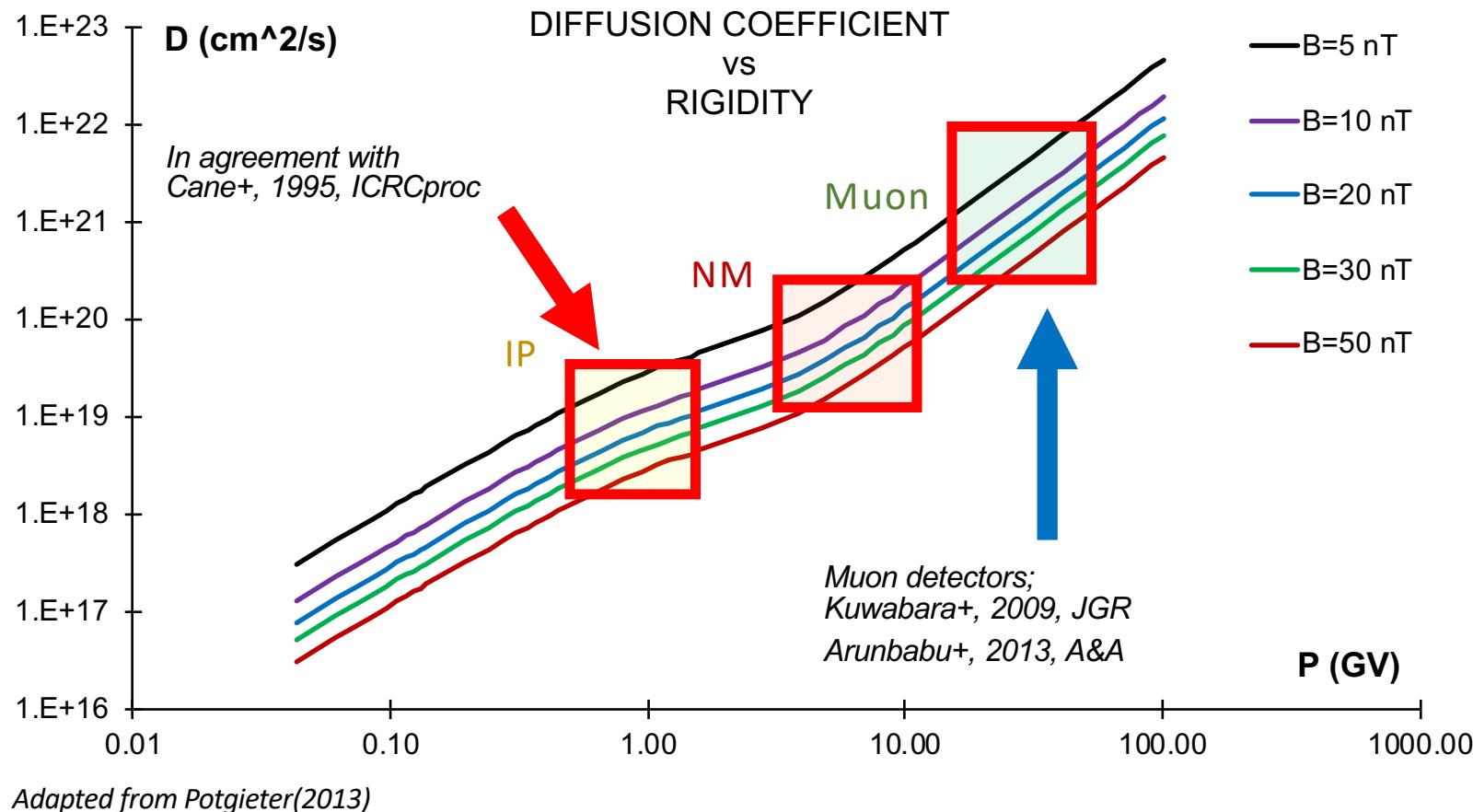
$X=-1$  (mag. flux increased)  
 $\rightarrow D=0.45 \cdot 10^{19} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$



different expansion cases – different evolution  
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FD amplitude drops with time  
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# THE CASE STUDY – ForbMod results: diffusion coefficient



## **CONCLUSIONS & FUTURE WORK**

- *ForbMod* is analytical diffusion-expansion model for ejecta-only FDs
- FD amplitude depends on the interplay of diffusion and expansion
- Qualitatively agrees with observation
- Quantitative agreement depends on the type of expansion and diffusion coefficient
- **NEXT STEPS: testing and constraints using FR forward modeling and multispacecraft measurements (Earth and Mars!)**

# Thank you for your attention!

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