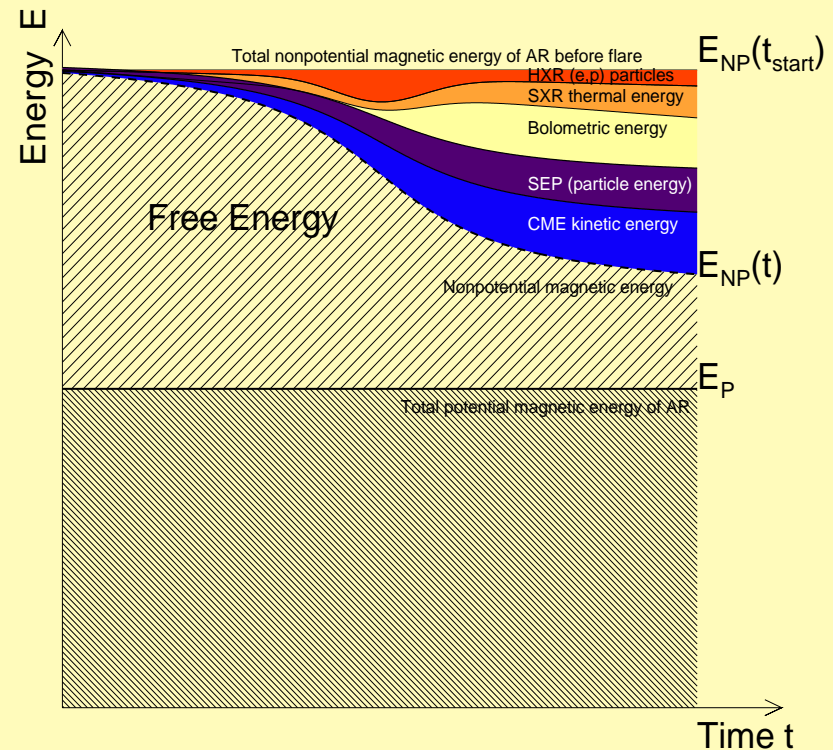


Global Energetics of Solar Flares and CMEs: Magnetic, Thermal, Non-thermal, and CME energies

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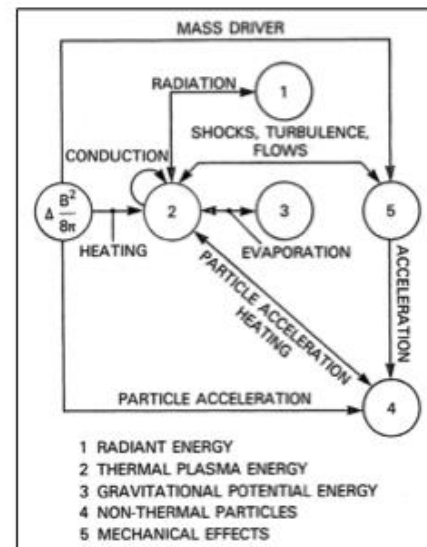
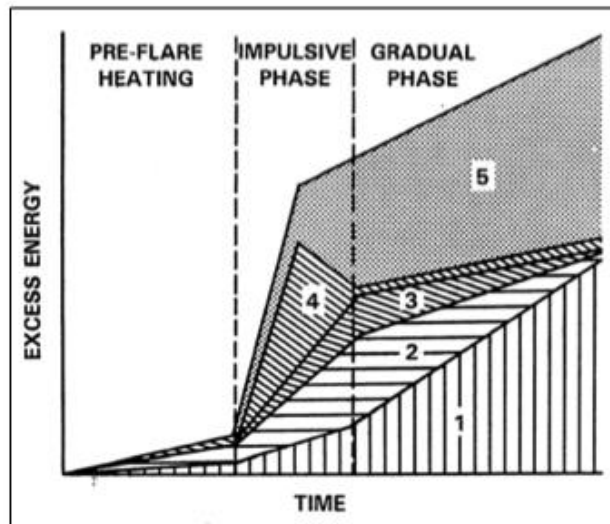
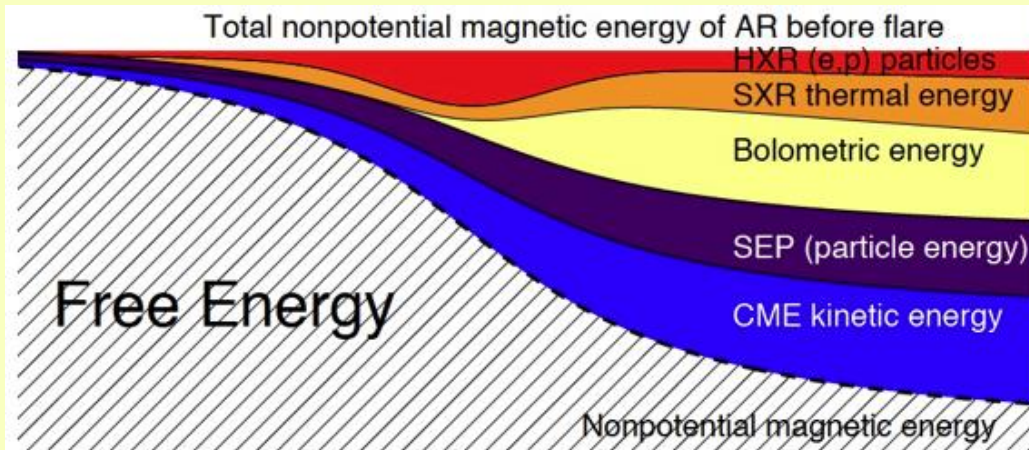
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- (1) Global Energetics of Solar Flares: **I. Magnetic Energies**",
(Aschwanden, Xu, & Jing 2014, ApJ 797, 50)
- (2) Global Energetics of Solar Flares: **II. Thermal Energies**",
(Aschwanden, Boerner, Ryan, Caspi, McTiernan, Warren,
2015, ApJ 802, 53)
- (3) Global Energetics of Solar Flares: **III. Nonthermal Energies**",
(Aschwanden, Holman, O'Flannagain, Caspi, McTiernan,
& Kontar 2016, ApJ, subm.)
- (4) Global Energetics of Solar Flares: **IV. Coronal Mass
Ejection Energies**, 2016, (Aschwanden, ApJ, subm.)

What is the Energy Partition in Solar Flares and CMEs?



Fundamental Questions about Energy Partition in Flares/CMEs:

Does magnetic (reconnection) supply sufficient energy to accelerate (nonthermal) particles ?

$$E_{\text{mag}} = (E_{\text{nt}} + E_{\text{cme}} + \dots)$$
$$E_{\text{mag}} > E_{\text{nt}}$$

Is the dissipated magnetic energy in flares sufficient to launch a CME ?

$$E_{\text{mag}} > E_{\text{cme}}$$
$$E_{\text{cme}} = (E_{\text{kin}} + E_{\text{grav}} + E_{\text{SEP}} + \dots)$$
$$E_{\text{mag}} > (E_{\text{kin}} + E_{\text{grav}})$$

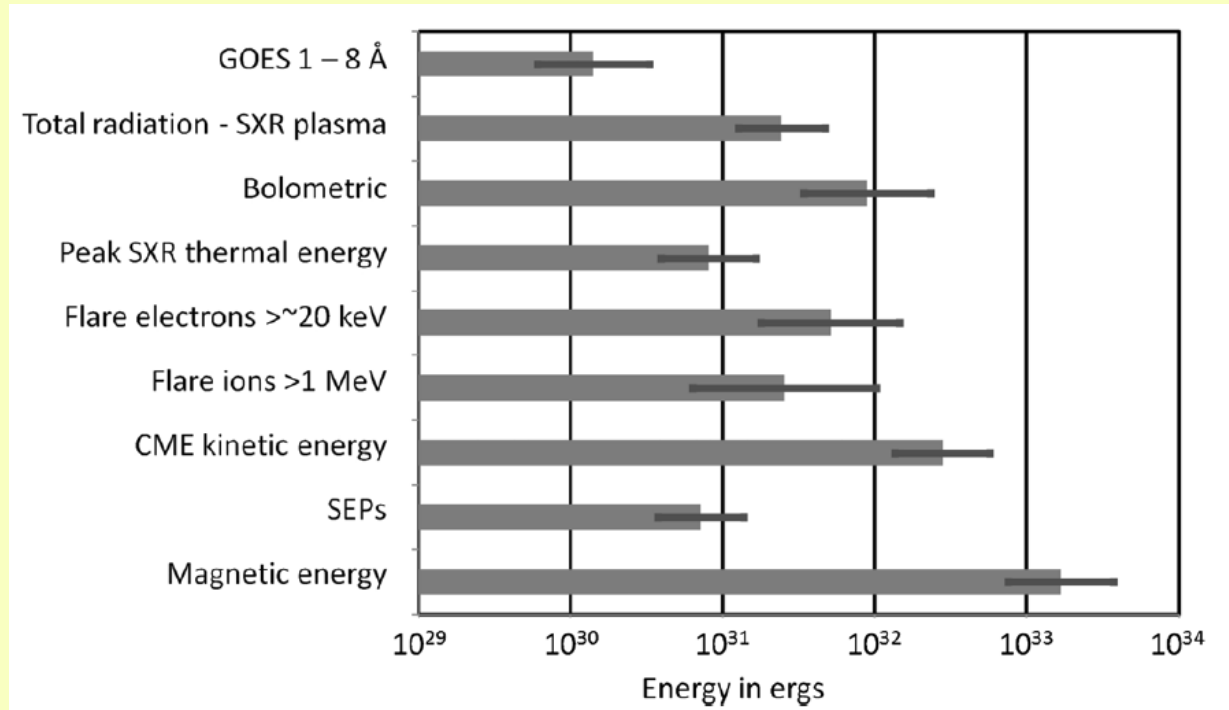
Does the thick-target bremsstrahlung model explain the thermal flare energy ?

$$E_{\text{nt}} > E_{\text{th}}$$

Previous study:

“Global Energetics of 38 large solar eruptive events”

(Emslie et al. 2012, ApJ 559, 71)



- Limitations:
- (i) no non-potential magnetic field computations
 - (ii) no imaging (EUV, SXR) data to measure flare areas
 - (iii) small-number statistics (largest flares only)
 - (iv) statistically incomplete sampling (above any threshold)
 - (v) isothermal energy neglects multi-thermality

Data of SDO Global Energetics Survey Project

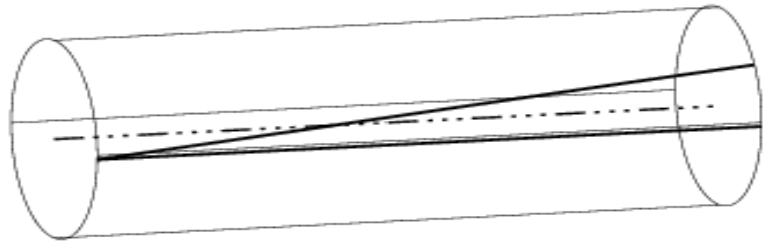
Project: Survey on the global energetics of solar flares and CMEs observed with **SDO**, including data from **AIA, HMI, RHESSI, GOES**.

Dataset: 2010-2014, first 5 years of SDO mission
399 GOES flares (28 X- and 371 M-class)
177 flares near disk center (<45 deg longitude)

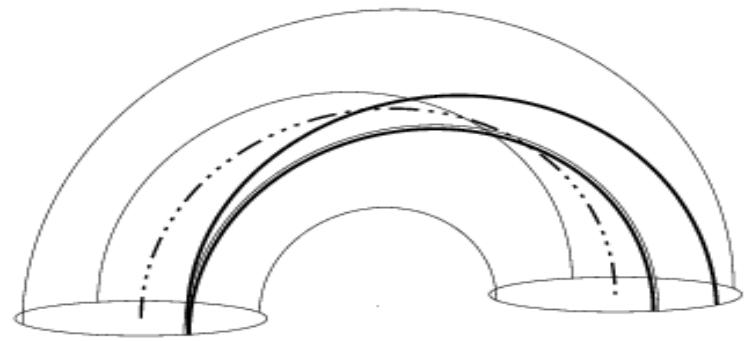
Analysis: 177 flares are suitable for magnetic modeling
FOV=0.25 solar radii
GOES flare start (-0.5 hr) and end time (+0.5 hr)
AIA cadence of 0.1 hr (6 min)
6 AIA filters: 94, 131, 171, 193, 211, 335 A
used for automated loop tracing
AIA pixel size = 0.6"
HMI magnetogram B_z line-of-sight component
HMI pixel size = 0.5" (rebinned by 2 pixels)

Instrument Coverage for Global Flare Energetics Project

Energy parameters :	Instruments :	Collaborators :
Nonpotential magnetic energy	HMI, AIA (NLFFF codes)	Xu, Jing, Aschwanden
Potential field magnetic energy	HMI (PFSS or NLFFF codes)	Xu, Jing, Welsch, Aschwanden
...
HXR fluence >25 keV	RHESSI	Kontar, O'Flannagain
SXR fluence 1-8 A	GOES	Ryan, Aschwanden
EUV fluence 94-335 A	AIA	Aschwanden
SXR+EUV+UV fluence 1-1060 A	EVE	Woods
Bolometric fluence	SORCE	Kretzschmar, C.S.Moore
...
EUV peak thermal energy	AIA (DEM), AIA(area)	Aschwanden
SXR peak thermal energy	GOES (T, EM), AIA (area)	Ryan
SXR+EUV peak thermal energy	GOES+EVE (DEM), AIA (area)	Warren
HXR+EUV peak thermal energy	RHESSI+EVE (DEM), AIA (area)	Caspi, McTiernan, Warren
...
HXR nonthermal electrons >25 keV	RHESSI	Kontar, O'Flannagain, Guo
Gamma-ray producing ions >1 MeV	RHESSI, FERMI	Share, Shih
SEP particle energies	ACE, GOES, STEREO	Mewaldt
...
CME kinetic + potential energy	COR1+2/STEREO, LASCO/SOHO	Temmer, Vourlidas, Zhang, Warmuth
CME thermal energy	STEREO/EUVI, AIA (EUV Dimming, DEM)	Aschwanden, Vourlidas
CME thermal energy	UVCS/SOHO	Raymond
...

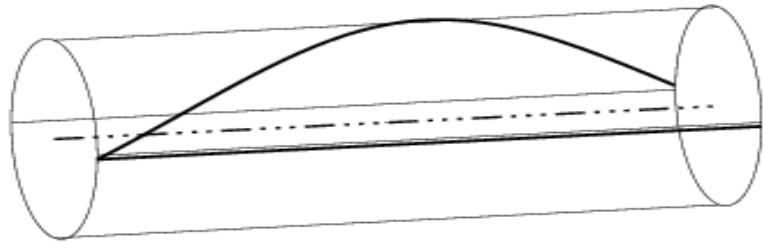


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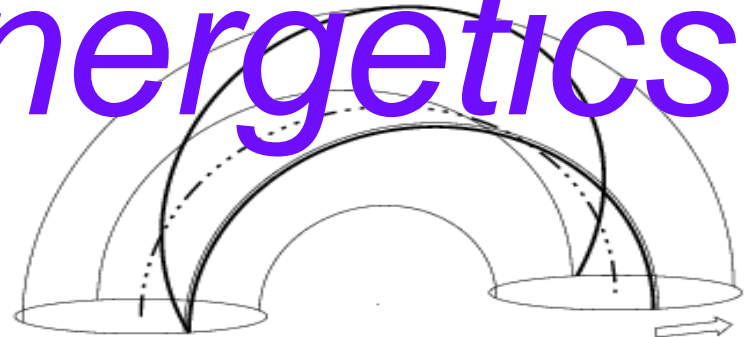


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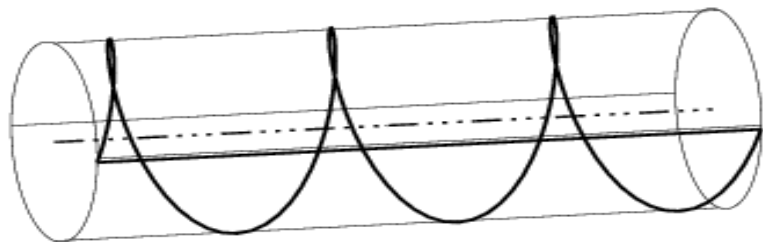
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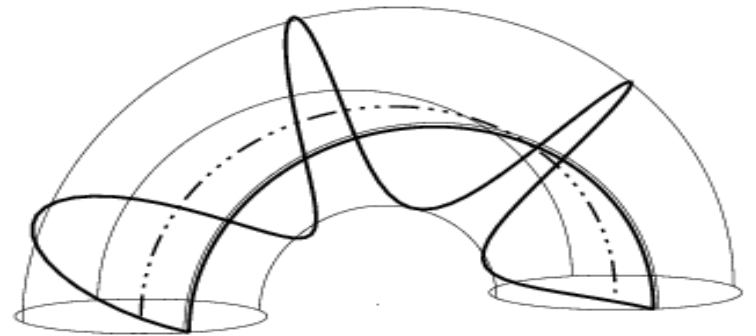
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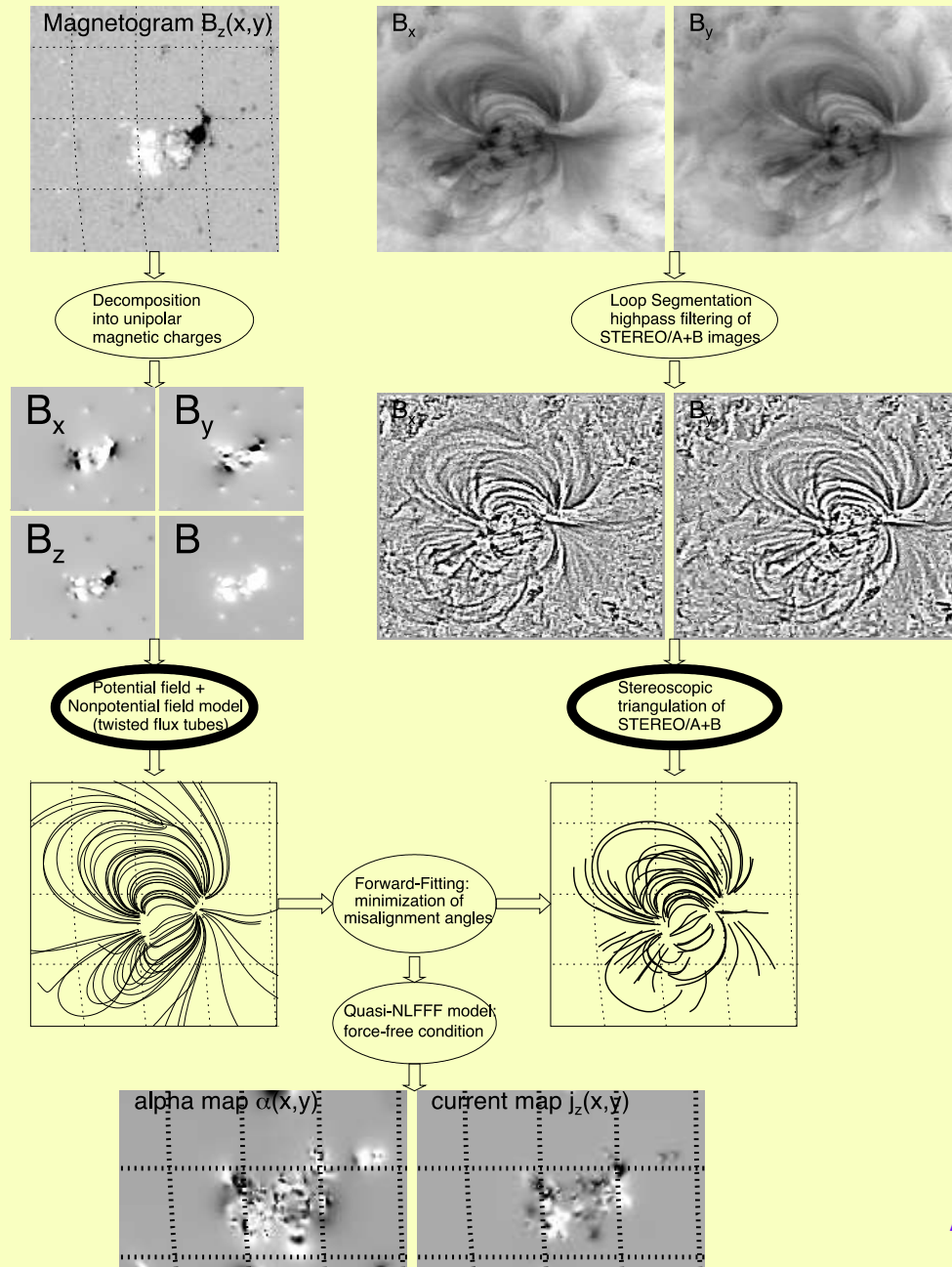


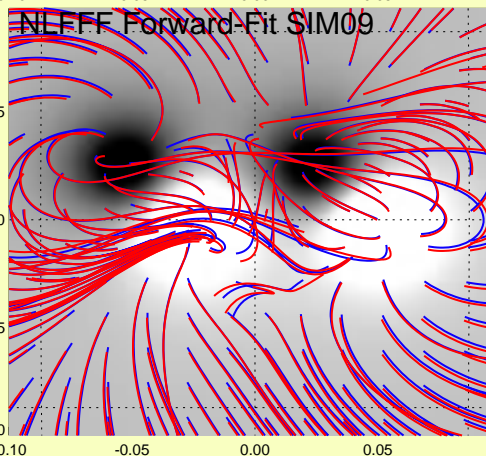
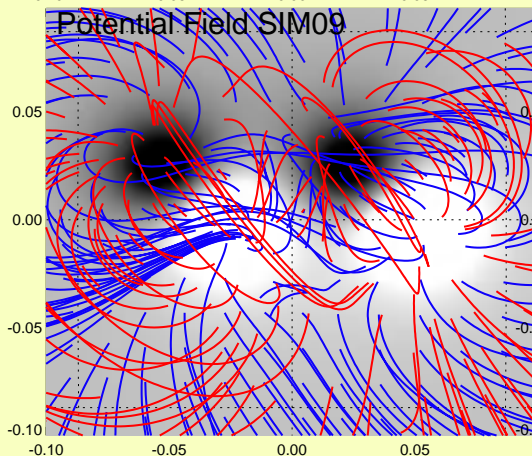
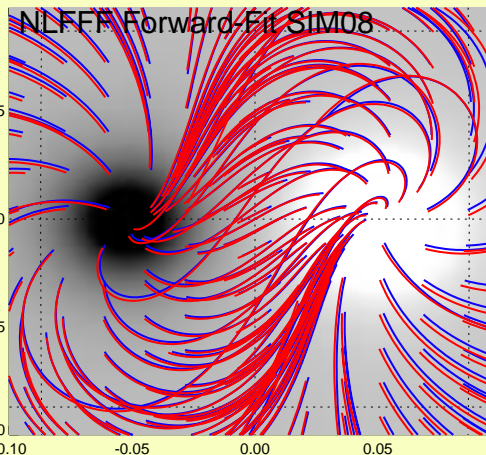
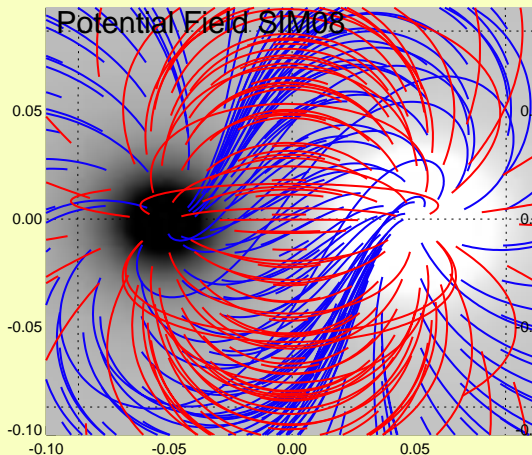
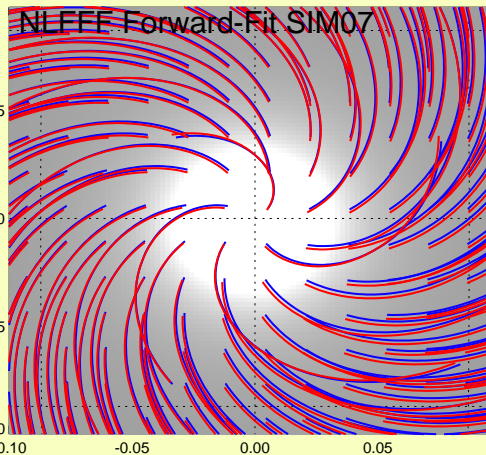
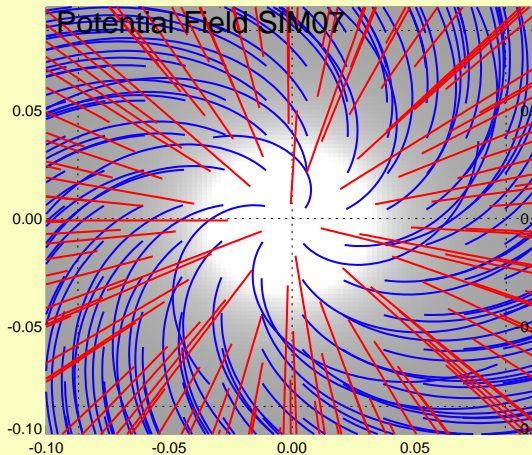
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Coronal Non-Linear Force-Free Field Forward-Fitting Method

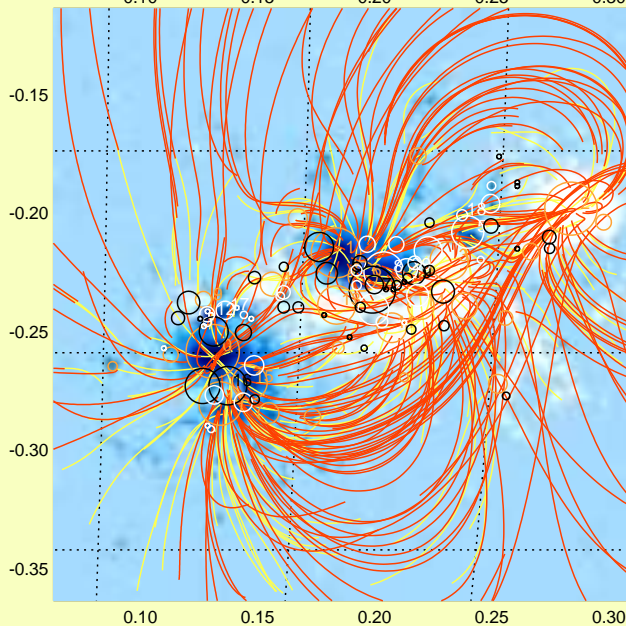
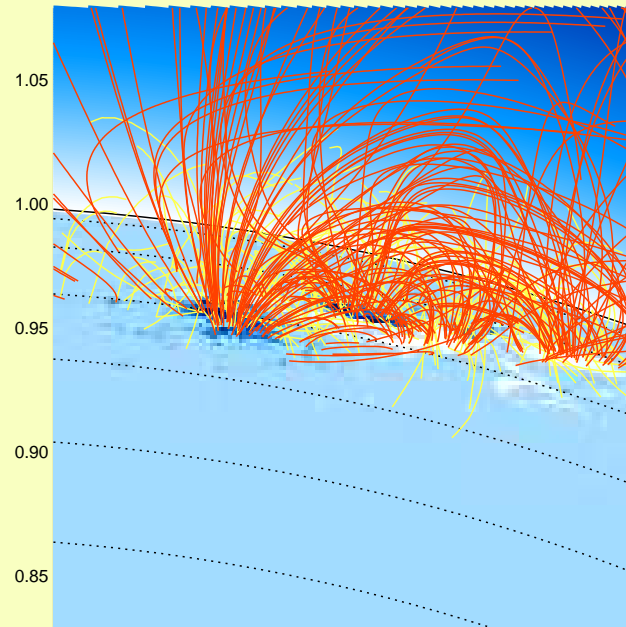




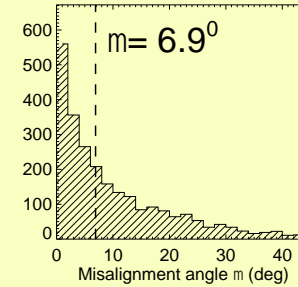
Analytical approximation
of vertical-current model
with buried magnetic
charges

Difference between
a potential field and
a nonpotential field
(with vertical twist)

A 3D best-fit solution of the vertical-current NLFFF approximation fitted to traced coronal loops in AIA images.



--- loop tracings
 --- field lines
 o magn charges



NOAA =11158
 Hel.pos. =S21W12
 FOV =0.25
 [x1,x2] = 0.0628, 0.3128
 [y1,y2] = -0.3635, -0.1135
 wave,nsm1, = 6, 3
 thresh0,2,nsig =0.0, 3.0, 3.0
 rmin,lmin,ngap = 25, 25, 3
 ds,nh =0.0020, 5
 dx_euv = 0.000618 R_{sun}
 dx_mag = 0.001500 R_{sun}
 nmag = 100 / 100
 n_nlfff = 25
 dfoot,dprox = 0.015, 0.015
 nloopw,qripple = 200, 0.50
 nall,ngood,nf =497/298/285
 n1,n2,n3,n4,n5 =11/0/0/188/0
 niter = 25 / 73/100
 hmin,hmax =0.001, 0.200
 nseg,mdim = 9, 2
 nsmax = 200
 da0 = 1.0
 misalign = 6.9 deg
 div-free = 4.5e-05
 force-free = 1.1e-04
 weight curr = 4.3e-01
 qB_rebin = 1.017
 qB_model = 1.091
 qiso_corr = 2.467
 E_P = 917.1 x 10³⁰ erg
 E_free = 120.1 x 10³⁰ erg
 E_NP/E_P = 1.131
 CPU = 338.7 s

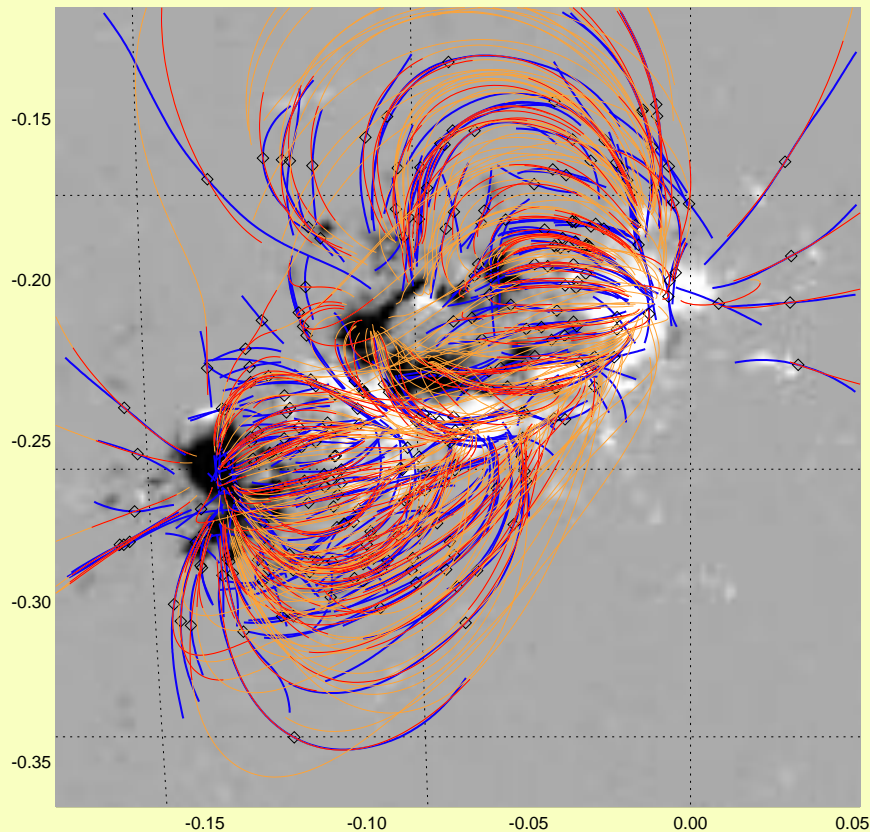
Median 2D misalignment angle between NLFFF model and observed loops is 7 deg.

Free Magnetic Energy

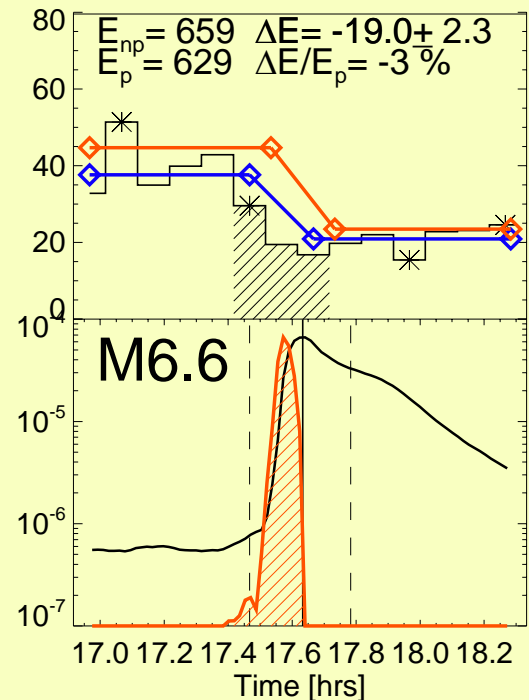
$$E_{\perp}^{free} = E_{N,\perp} - E_P = \frac{1}{8\pi} \left(\int B_{N,\perp}^2(\mathbf{x})dV - \int B_P^2(\mathbf{x})dV \right)$$

nwave=6	misalign= 3.9 deg	qiso_corr= 2.467
MAGNETIC SOURCES:	div-free= 5.1e-05	E_NP = 699.8 x 10 ³⁰ erg
dsmag=0.0015	force-free= 1.0e-04	E_P = 667.0 x 10 ³⁰ erg
nmag,nmagmax= 56 100	weight curr= 6.1e-01	E_free = 32.8 x 10 ³⁰ erg
dfoot= 0.015	B_rebin/B_full= 1.022	E_NP/E_P = 1.049
wfit,bmin= 5, 300 G	B_model/B_rebin= 0.953	CPU = 137.9 s

Decrease of free energy
for event #10 (M6.6 flare):
 $dE_{flare} = -(19 \pm 2) \times 10^{32}$ erg



Flare # 10: 2011-02-13 17:28 UT

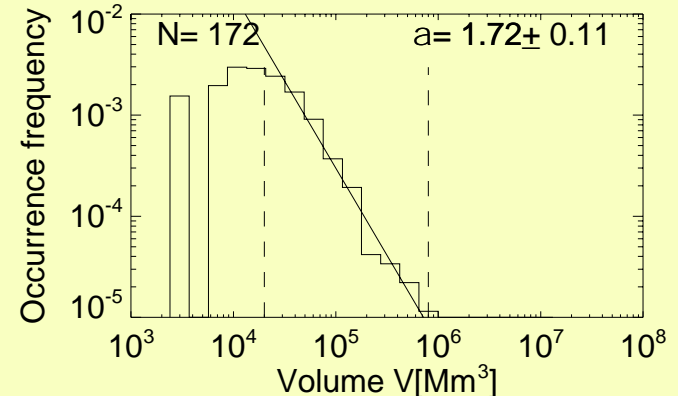
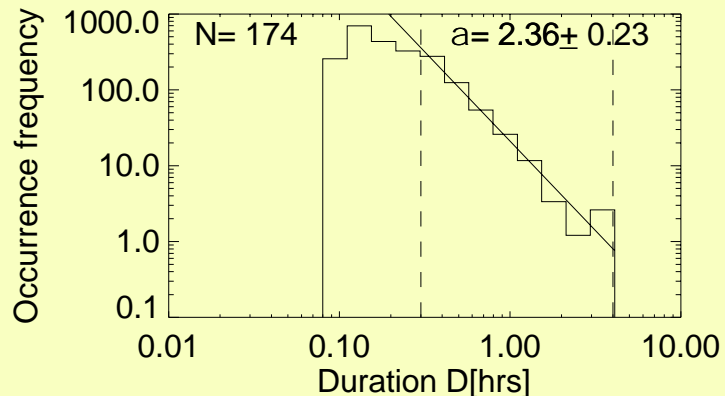
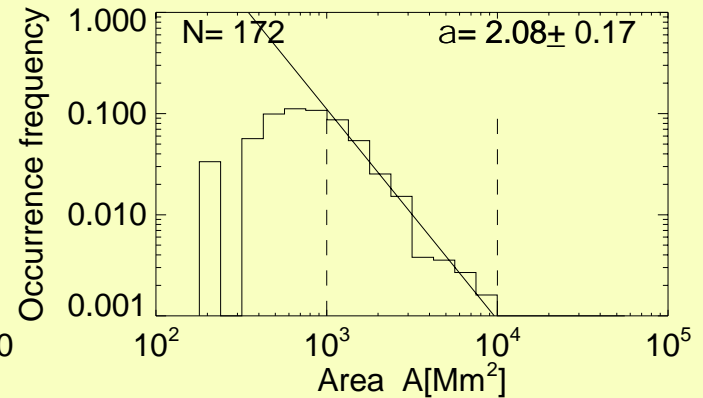
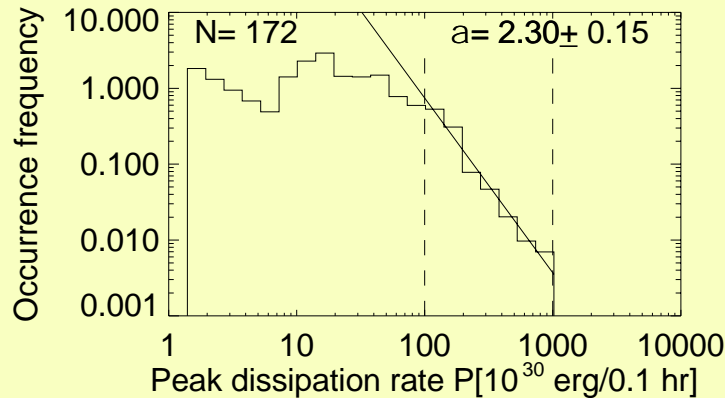
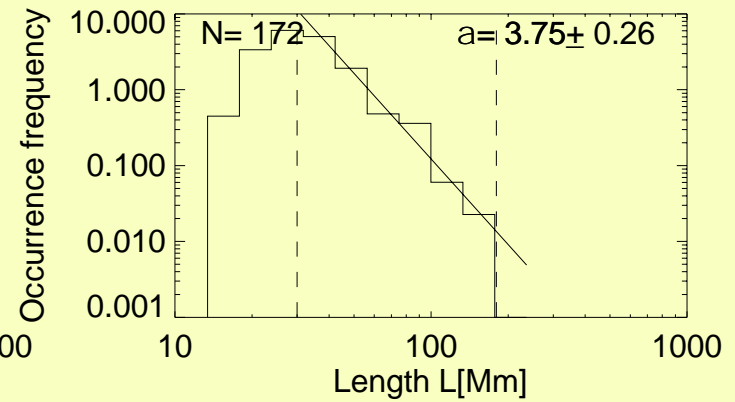
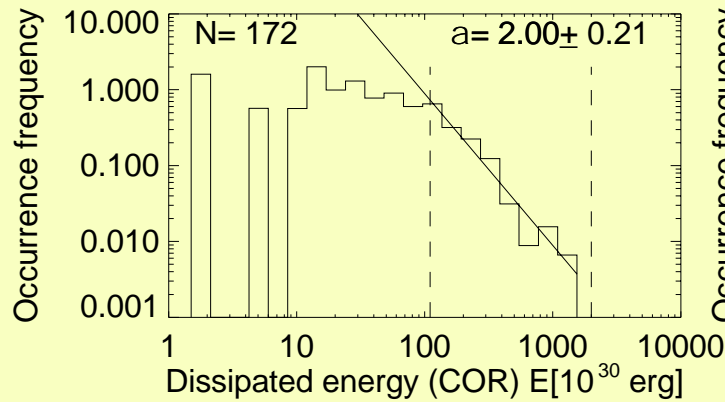


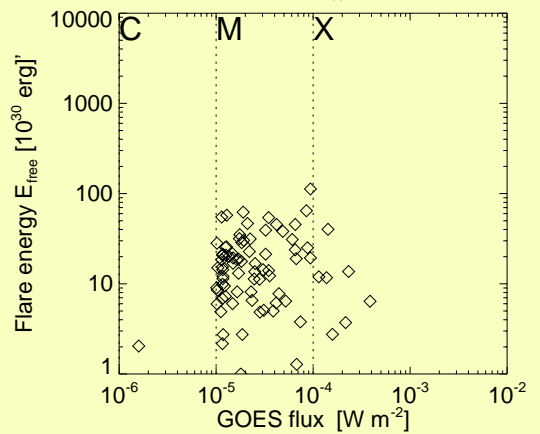
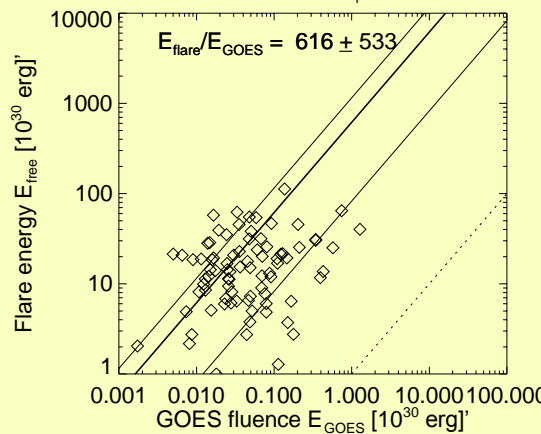
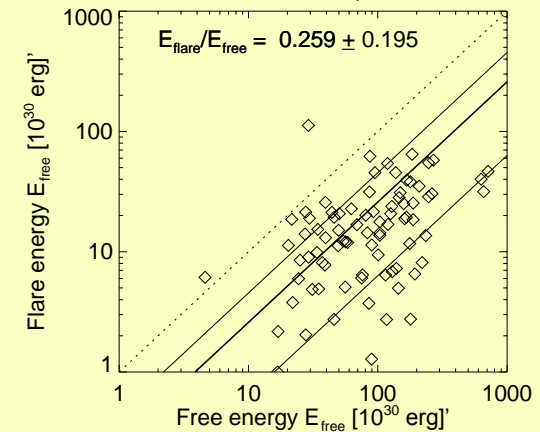
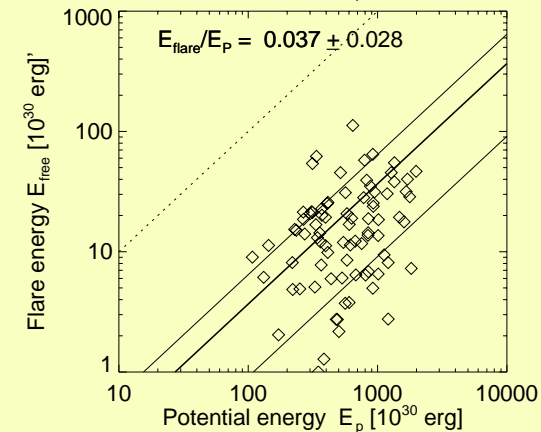
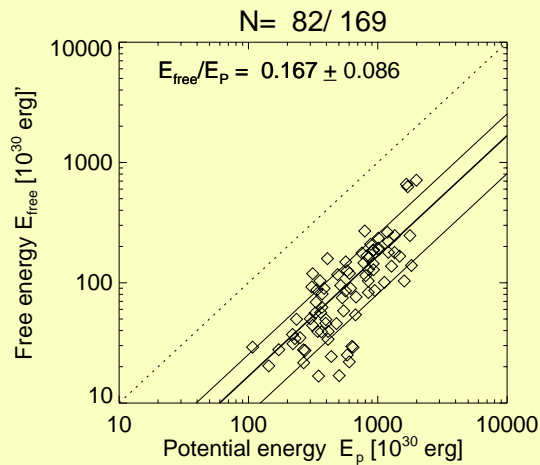
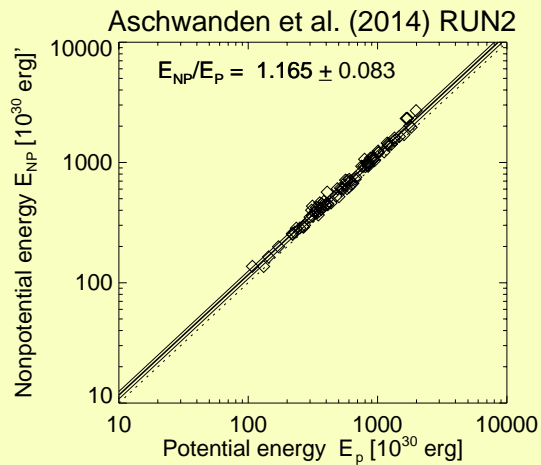
Size Distributions of Magnetic Parameters

Power law size distributions indicate self-organized criticality

Magnetic
dissipated
energy
in flares:

$$E_{\text{diss}} = 10^{30} - 10^{33} \text{ erg}$$





Statistics :

82 of 169 (50 %) show a significant energy decrease during flares

49 of 169 (30%) show an apparent energy increase

34 of 169 (20%) show no significant changes

$$E_{NP}/E_p = 1.16 \pm 0.08$$

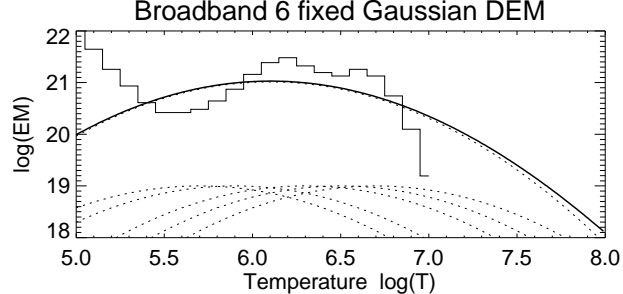
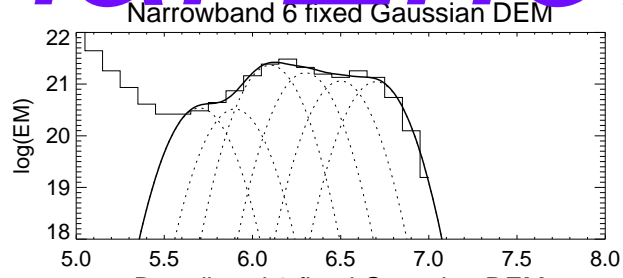
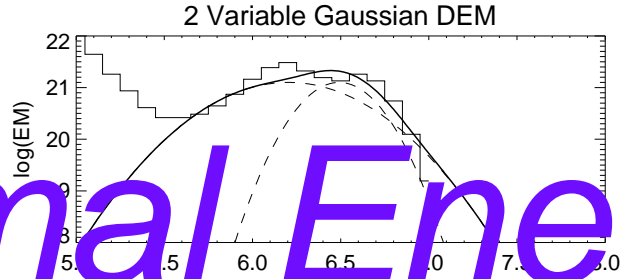
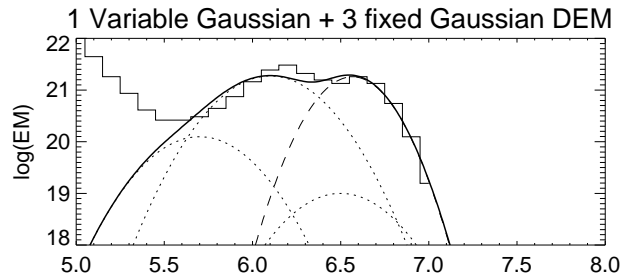
$$E_{free}/E_p = 0.17 \pm 0.09$$

$$dE_{flare}/E_p = 0.04 \pm 0.03$$

$$dE_{flare}/E_{free} = 0.26 \pm 0.20$$

$$dE_{flare}/E_{GOES} = 600 \pm 500$$

Thermal Energetics

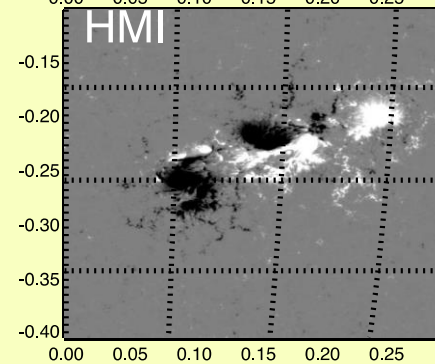
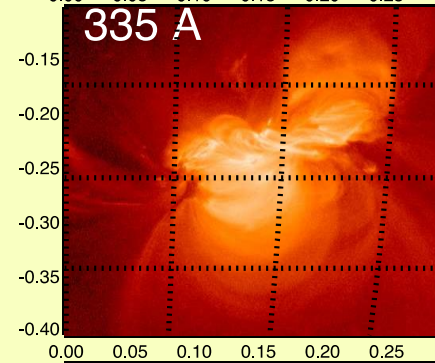
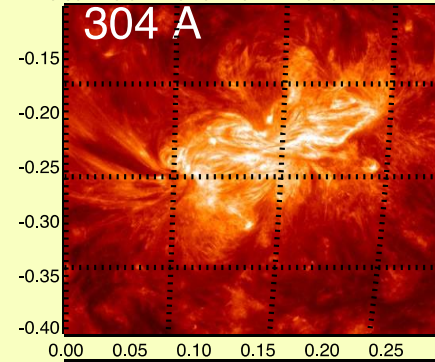
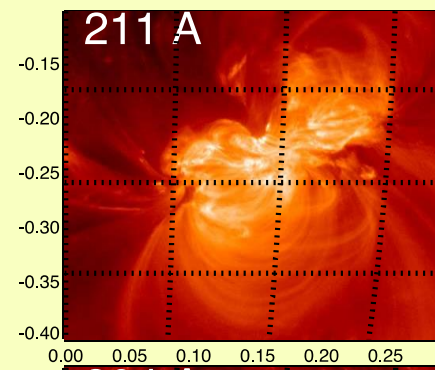
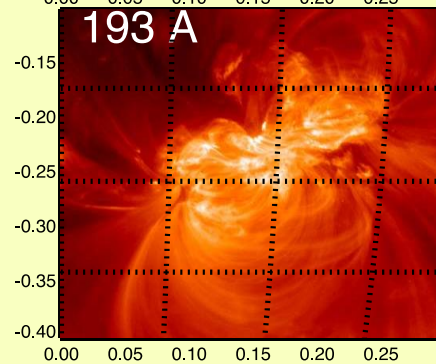
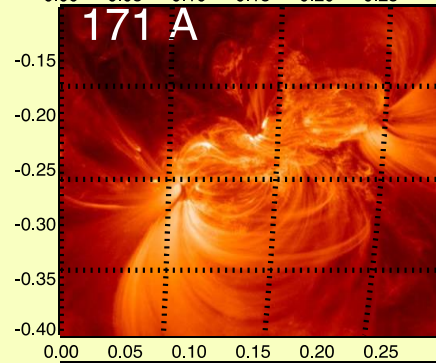
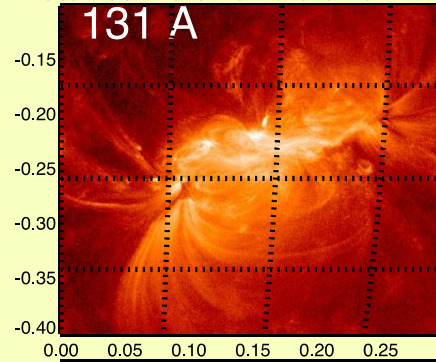
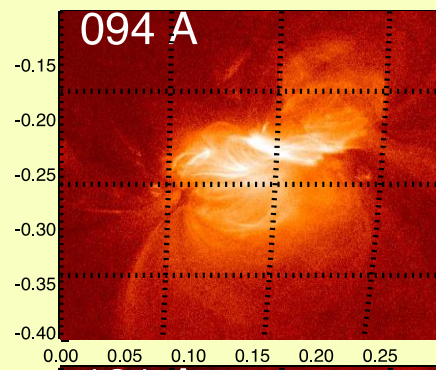


AIA + HMI / SDO

2011-Feb-14
20:35 UT

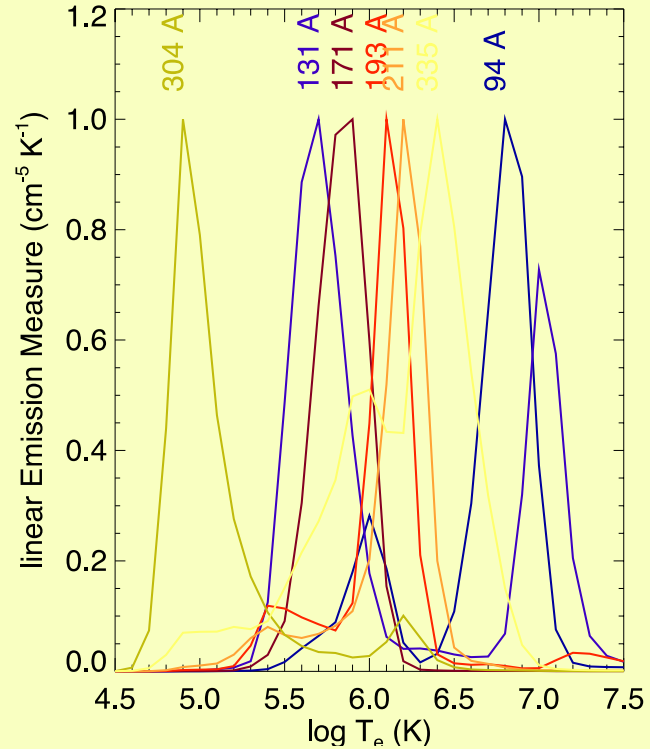
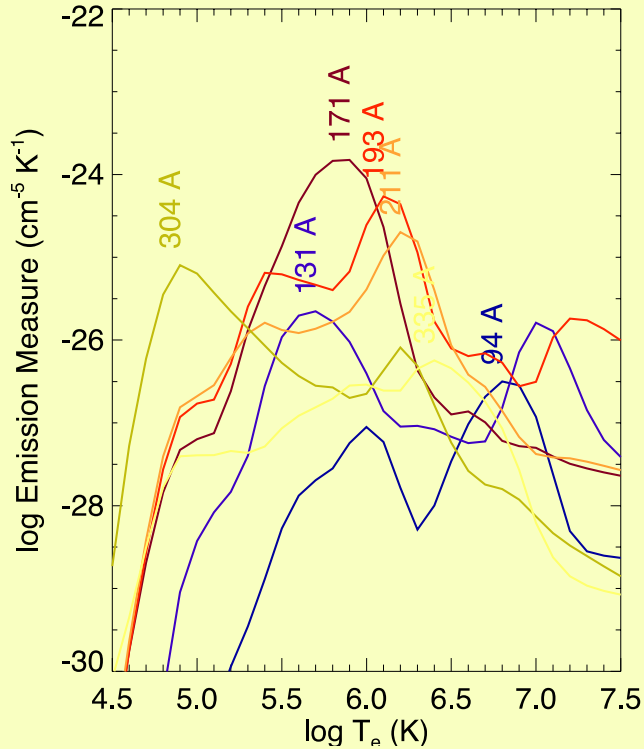
(5 hrs before
X2.2 flare)

FOV=0.3 R_⊙

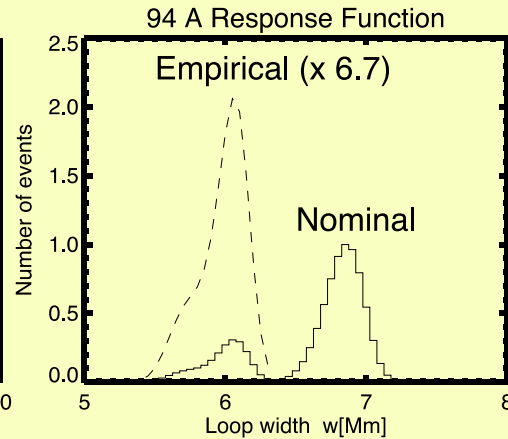
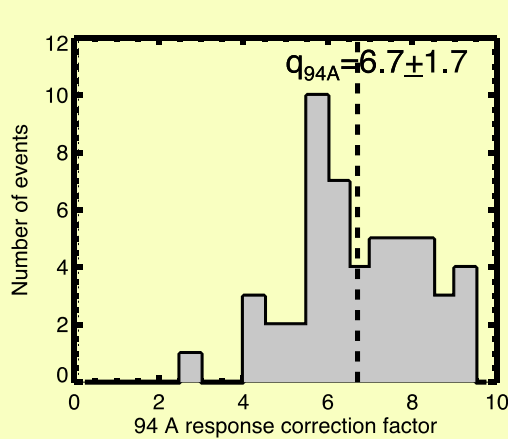


Aschwanden, Sun & Liu
(2014)

Nominal AIA Thermal Response Functions



Empirical AIA 94 A response function:



Spatial Synthesis Gaussian DEM fits

6 AIA filter fluxes:

$$F_{\lambda}(x, y) = \int \frac{dEM(T, x, y)}{dT} R_{\lambda}(T) dT,$$

Gaussian DEM distribution:

$$\frac{dEM(T, x, y)}{dT} = EM_p(x, y) \exp\left(-\frac{[\log(T) - \log(T_p(x, y))]^2}{2\sigma_T^2(x, y)}\right)$$

Least-square fit:

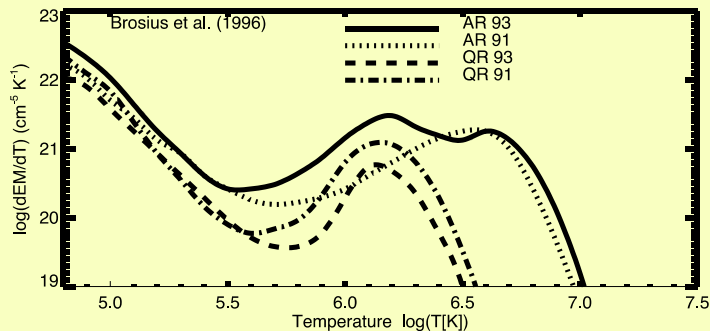
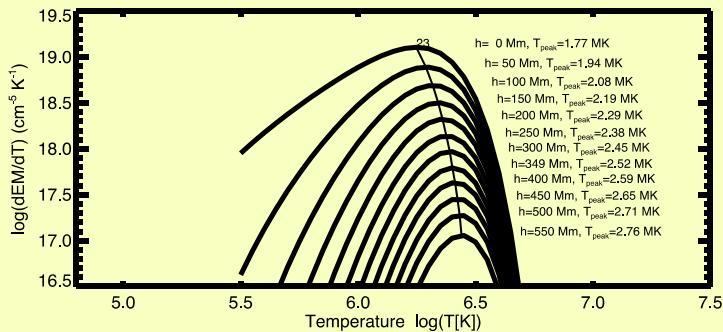
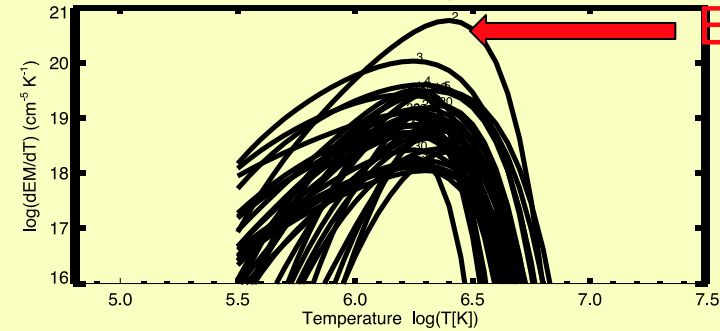
$$\chi^2(x, y) = \frac{1}{(n - n_{free})} \sum_k \frac{[F^{obs}(x, y, \lambda_k) - F^{model}(x, y, \lambda_k)]^2}{\sigma_F^2(x, y, \lambda_k)},$$

Flux uncertainty:

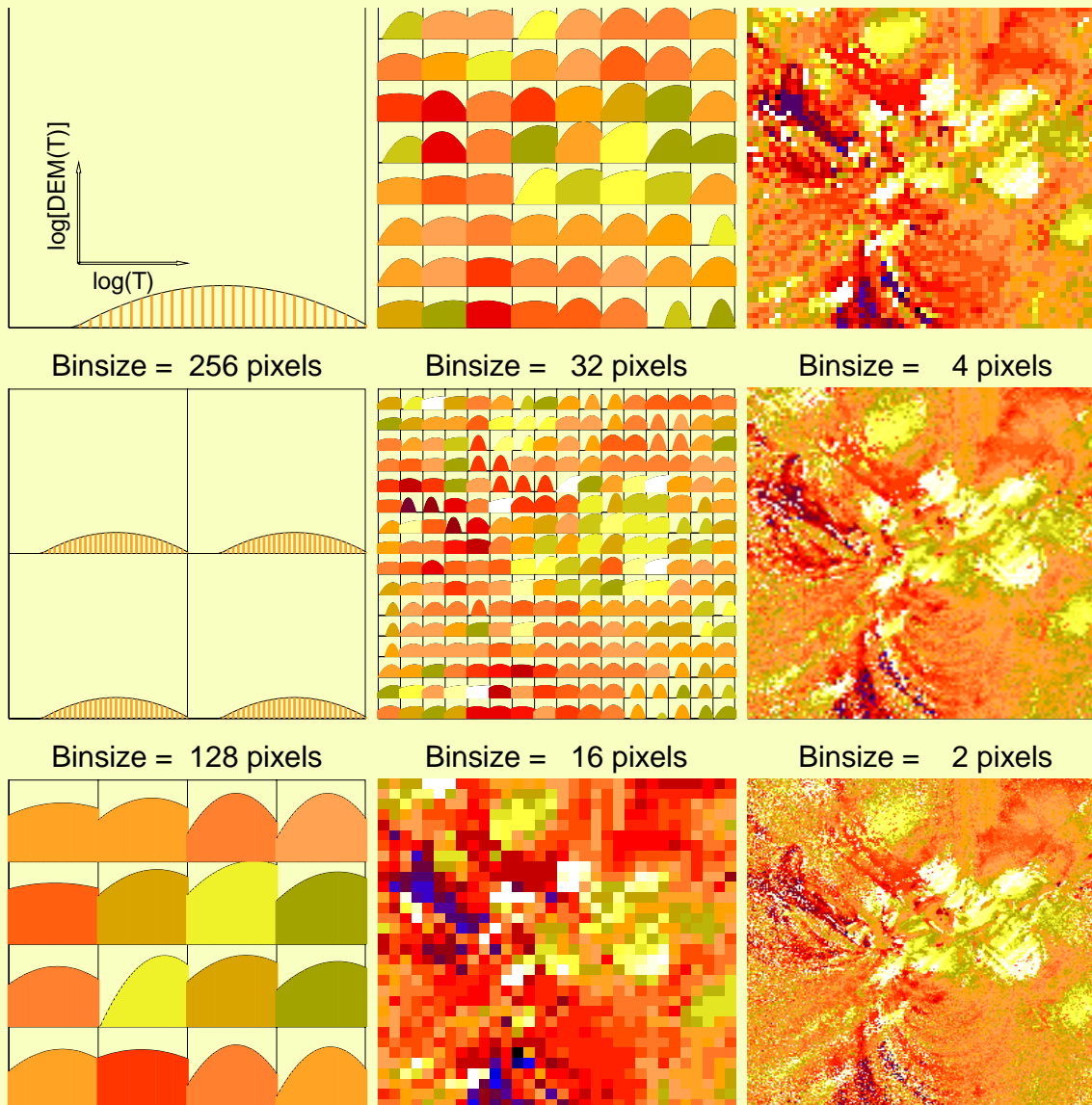
$$\sigma_F(x, y, \lambda_k) = \frac{1}{\Delta t_{exp} N_{bin}^2} \sqrt{\sum_i^{N_{bin}} \sum_j^{N_{bin}} F_{\lambda}(x_i, y_j) t_{exp}}$$

T_e peak

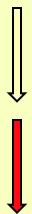
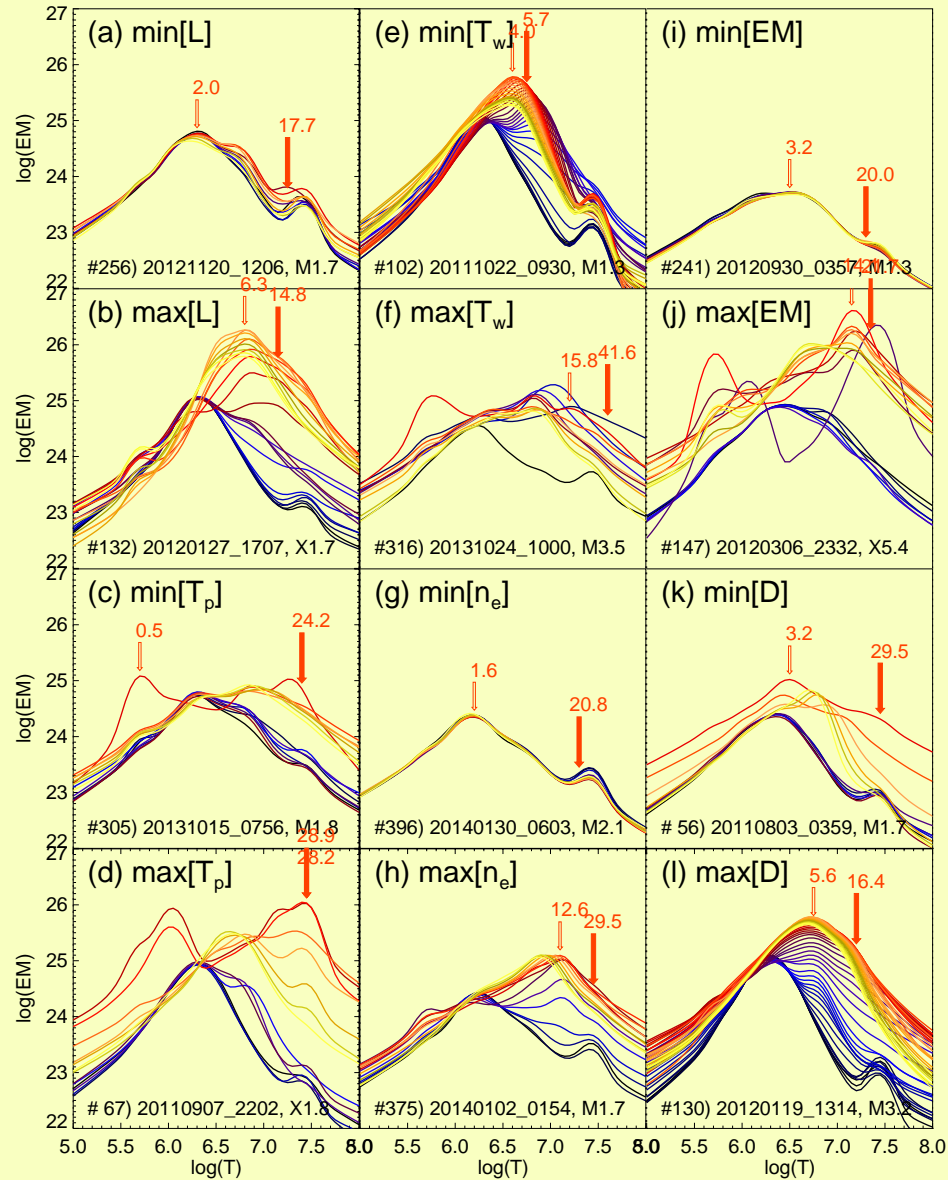
EM peak



Differential Emission Measure (DEM) Distributions spatially synthesized from single-Gaussians in each macropixel



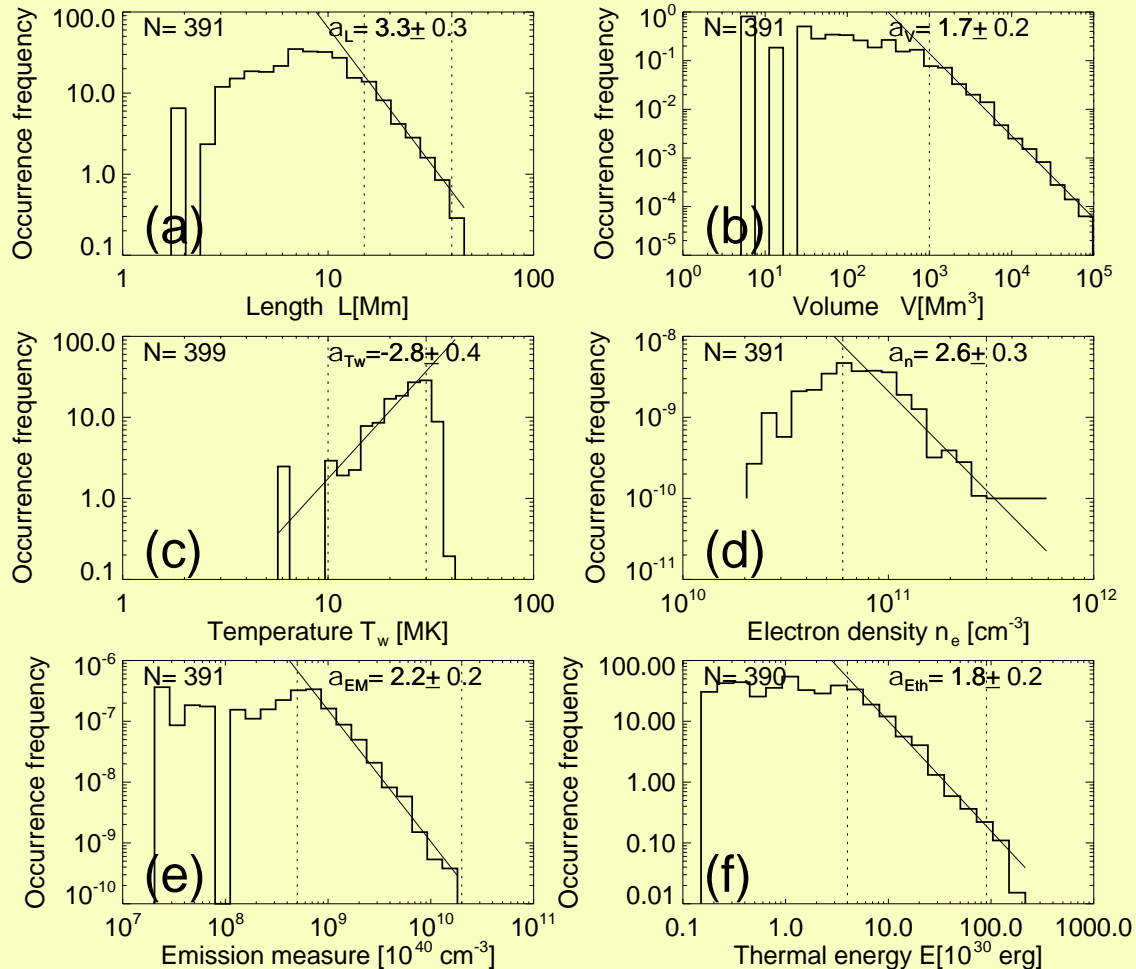
Examples of Spatial-Synthesis DEMs during 12 Flares



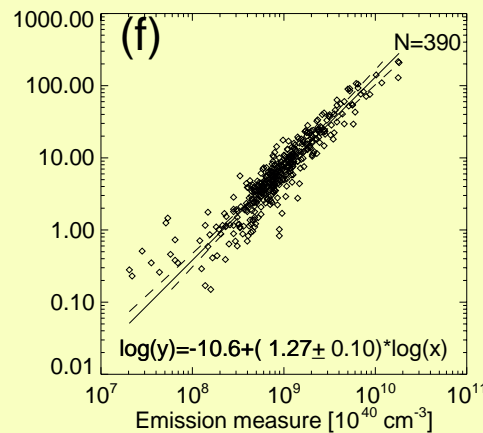
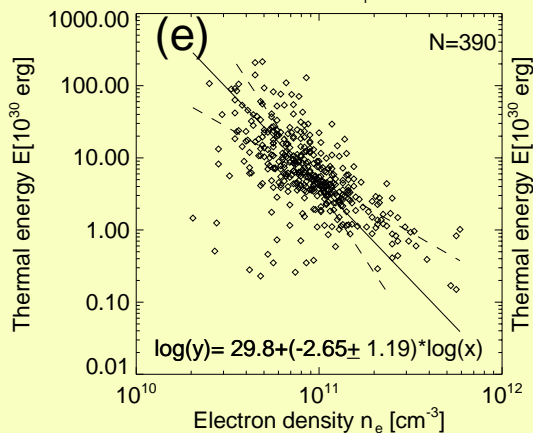
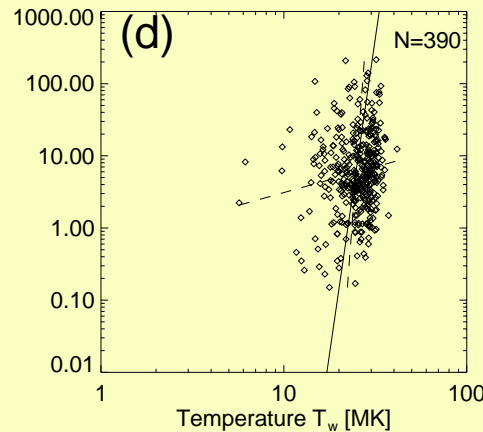
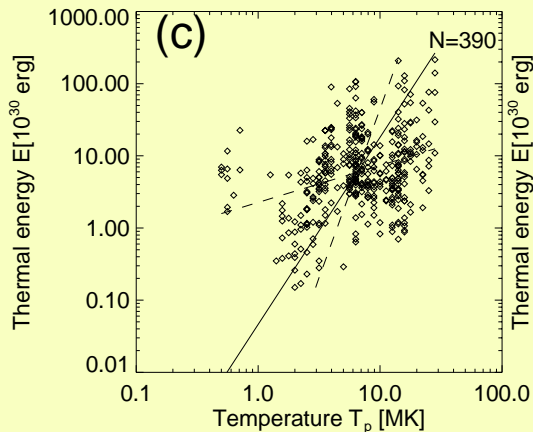
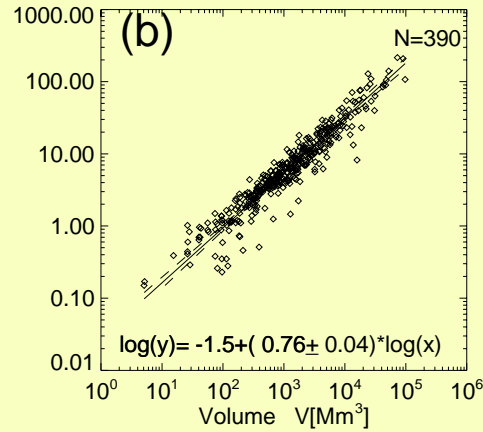
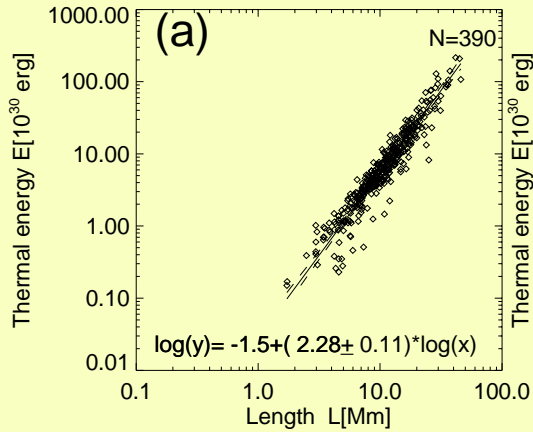
Peak T

EM-weighted T

Size Distributions of Thermal Parameters



Power law distributions of $N(L)$, $N(V)$, $N(EM)$ and $N(E_{th})$ indicate self-organized criticality



Multi-thermal Energy integrated over DEM(T)

Correlates with:

- length
- area
- volume
- emission measure

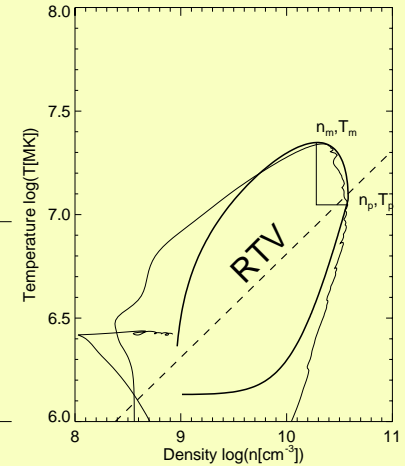
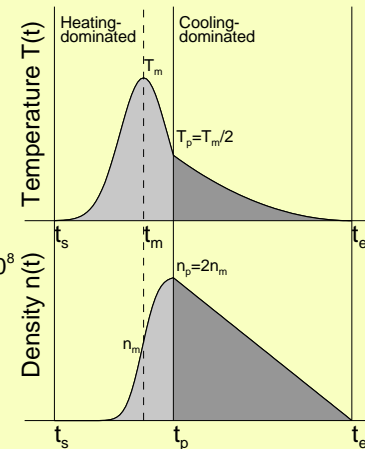
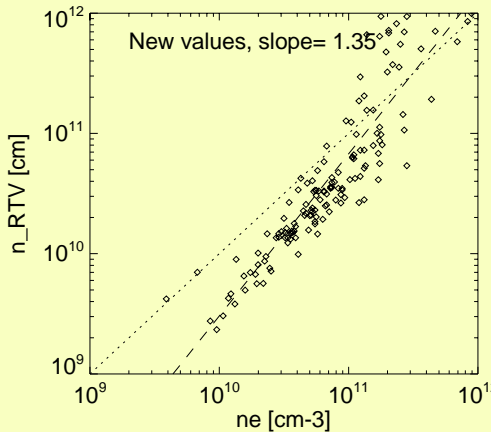
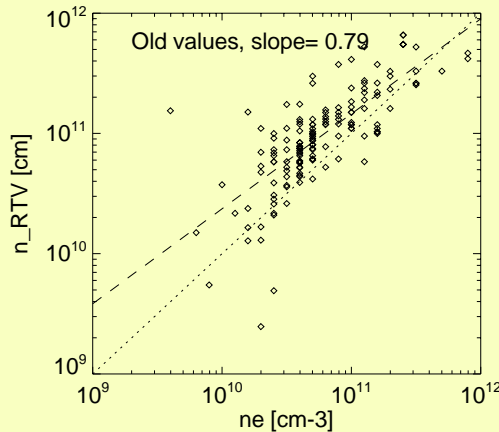
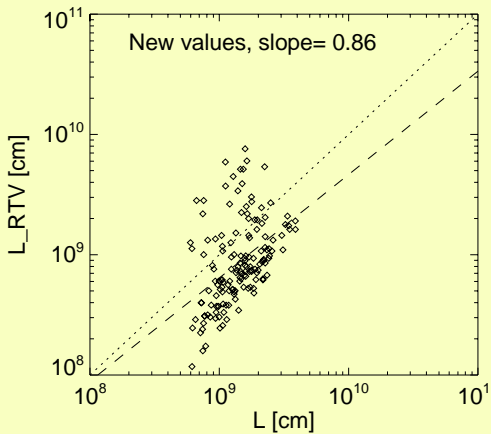
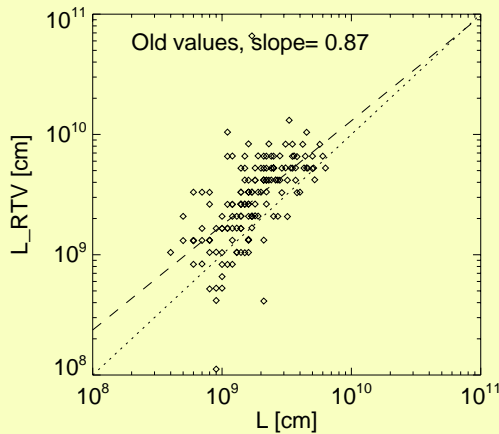
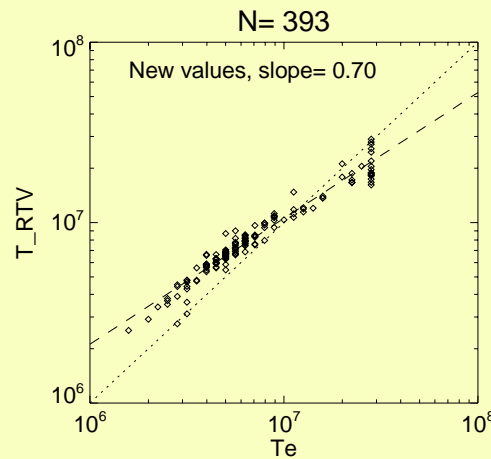
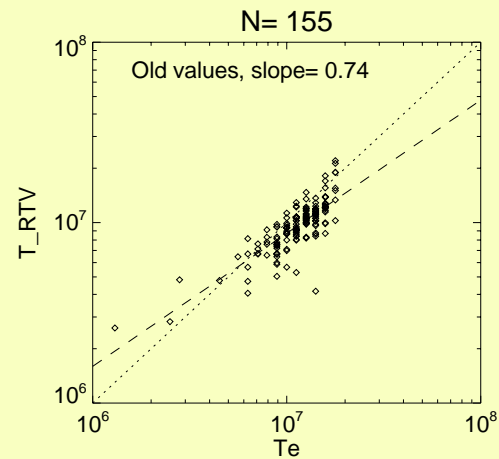
Small temperature range (M,X-class):
(EM-weighted)

$$T \sim 20-30 \text{ MK}$$

Reciprocal relationship to density:

$$n_e \sim (EM/V)^{1/2}$$

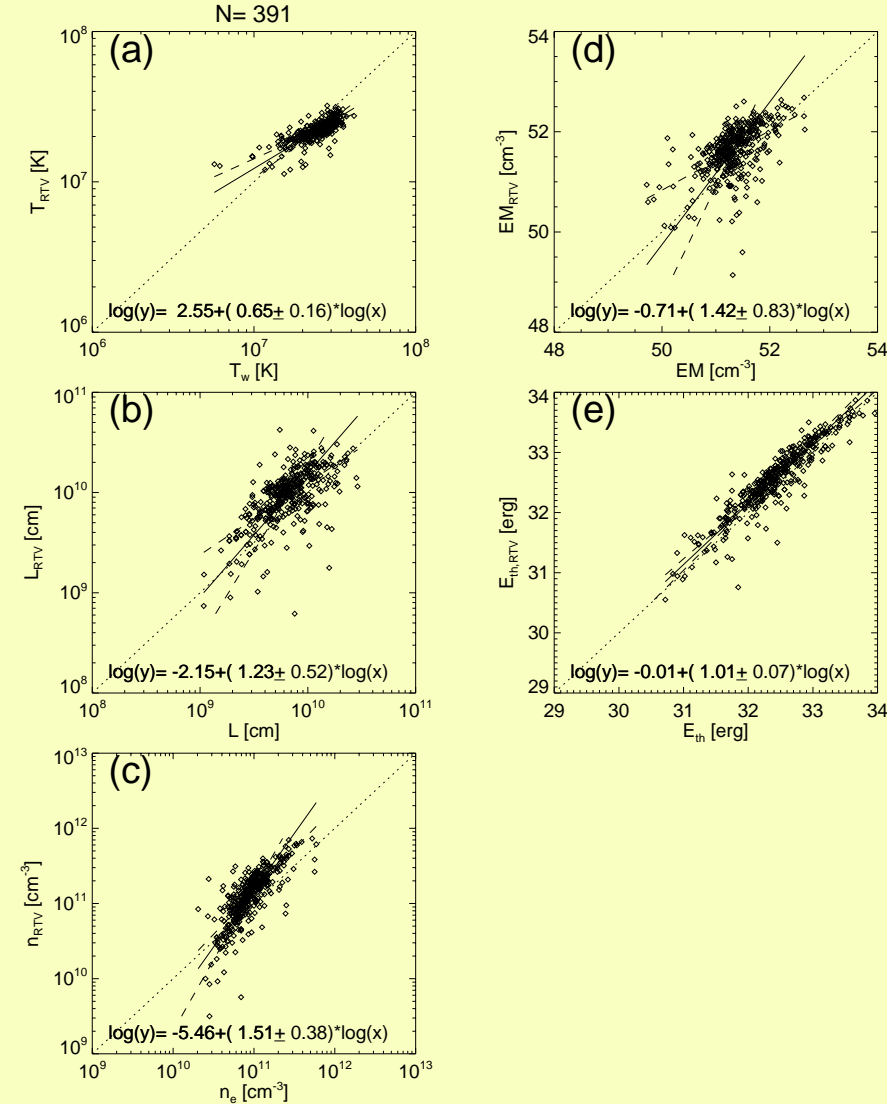
RTV Scaling Laws



The RTV law can be applied to solar flares at the turnover point when heating rate equals the cooling rate, usually at peak of EM(t).

Here we test RTV scaling law with measured (L, n_e, T_e) hydrodynamic parameters from 393 SDO >M1.0 flares.

RTV test of total emission measure (EM) and multi-thermal energy (Eth)



$$T_p = c_1 n_p^{1/2} L_p^{1/2}, \quad c_1 = 1.1 \times 10^{-3}, \quad (13)$$

$$n_p = c_2 T_p^2 L_p^{-1}, \quad c_2 = 8.4 \times 10^5, \quad (14)$$

$$L_p = c_3 T_p^2 n_p^{-1}, \quad c_3 = 8.4 \times 10^5. \quad (15)$$

These are predicted three-parameter correlations that can be tested with our data. Another useful parameter is the total emission measure EM_p , defined by the integral over the flare volume V ,

$$\begin{aligned} EM_p &= \int n_p^2 dV = n_p^2 V = n_p^2 \left(\frac{2\pi}{3} L_p^3 \right) \\ &= c_4 T_p^4 L_p, \quad c_4 = 1.48 \times 10^{12}. \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

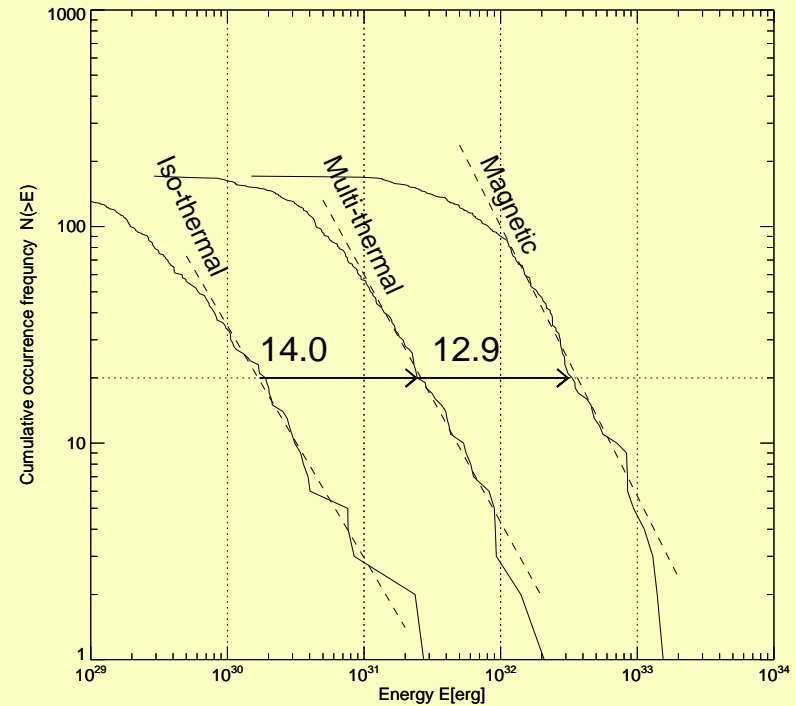
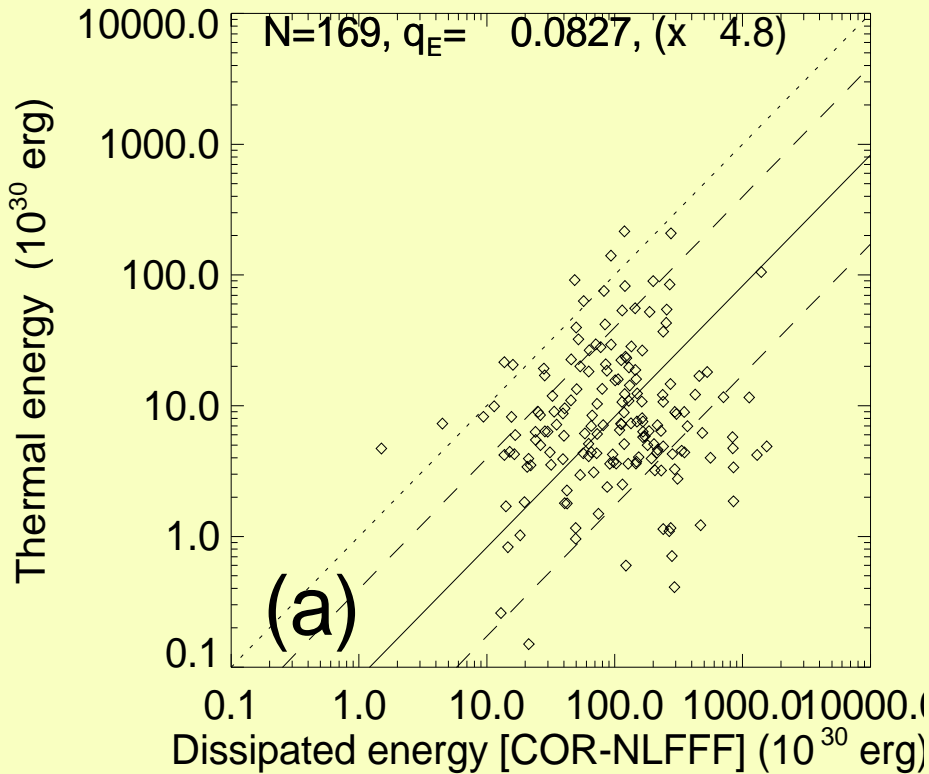
Furthermore, we will also determine the distribution of thermal energies,

$$E_{th} = 3n_p k_B T_p V_p = c_5 T_p^3 L_p^2, \quad c_5 = 7.3 \times 10^{-10}, \quad (17)$$

which can be expressed as a function of the peak temperature T_p and length scale L_p by substituting the RTV scaling law for the density n_p (Equation (14)). In addition, we have the RTV heating rate scaling law,

$$H \approx c_6 T_{\max}^{7/2} L_{\text{loop}}^{-2} = c_6 T_p^{7/2} L_p^{-2}, \quad c_6 = 0.95 \times 10^{-6}. \quad (18)$$

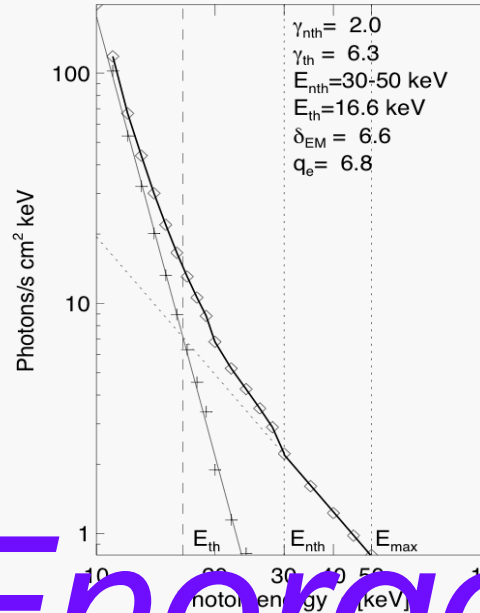
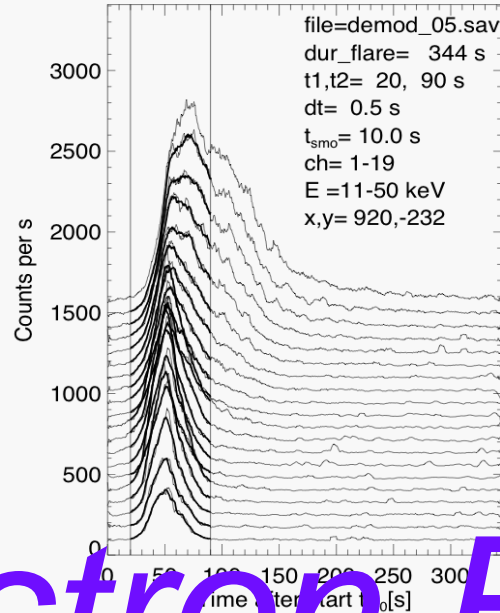
Ratio of Multi-thermal Energy to Dissipated Magnetic energy



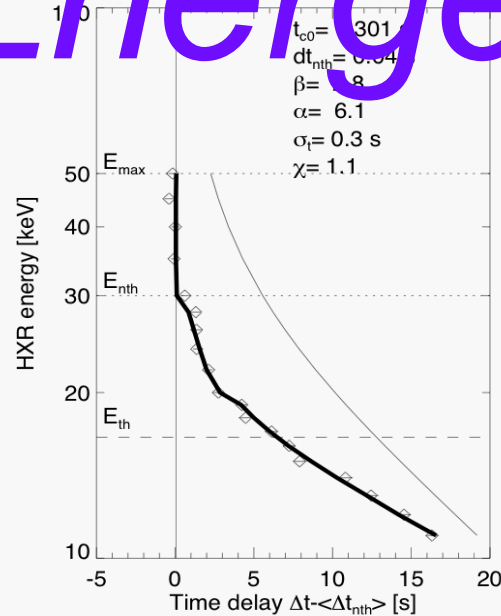
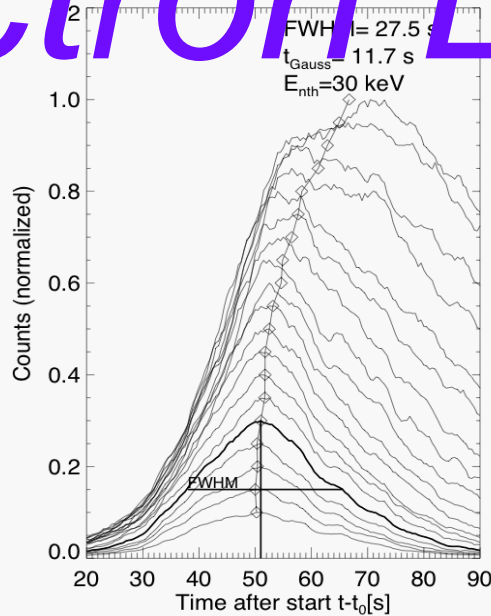
- The multi-thermal energy amounts to 8% of the magnetic energy (within a factor of 4.8, or a range of $\sim 2\%$ -40%)
- Magnetic (reconnection) processes are sufficient to produce the multi-thermal flare energy
- The iso-thermal energy underestimates multi-thermal energy by a factor of 14 (e.g., study of Emslie et al. 2012)

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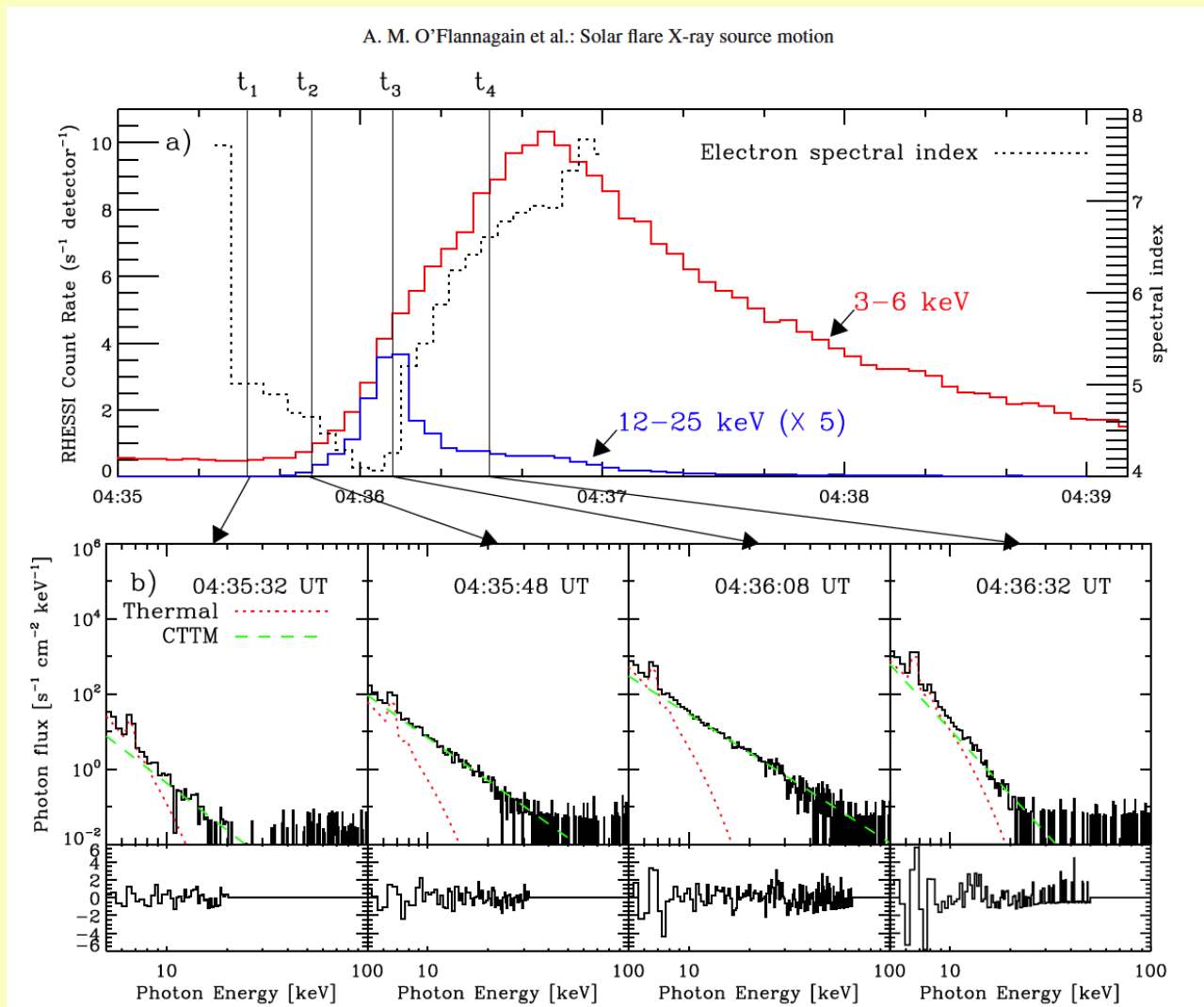


Electron Energetics



Nonthermal energy in electrons calculated from RHESSI:

- Fitting powerlaw to nonthermal photon spectrum
- Inverting electron injection spectrum (bremsstrahlung cross-section)
- Integration of electron energy spectrum $E > 20$ keV



The thick-target model with the warm-target low energy cutoff

Nonthermal spectrum according to thick-target bremsstrahlung model (Brown 1971):

$$I(\varepsilon) = A \varepsilon^{-\gamma} \quad (\text{photons cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ keV}^{-1}) \quad (1)$$

Thick-target (non-thermal) electron injection spectrum $f_e(e)$:

$$f_e(e) = 2.68 \times 10^{33} b(\gamma) A e^{-(\gamma+1)} \quad (\text{electrons keV}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}) , \quad (2)$$

Total power in nonthermal electrons above a cutoff energy e_c :

$$P(e \geq e_c) = 4.3 \times 10^{24} \frac{b(\gamma)}{(\gamma - 1)} A (e_c)^{-(\gamma-1)} \quad (\text{erg s}^{-1}) . \quad (3)$$

Total (time-integrated) nonthermal energy E_{nt} during a flare:

$$E_{\text{nt}} = \int_{t_{\text{start}}}^{t_{\text{end}}} P(e > e_c(t), t) dt \quad (\text{erg}) . \quad (4)$$

The bremsstrahlung spectrum $I(\varepsilon)$ of a thermal plasma (Brown 1974; Dulk & Dennis 1982):

$$I(\varepsilon) = I_0 \int \frac{\exp(-\varepsilon/k_B T)}{T^{1/2}} \frac{dEM(T)}{dT} dT , \quad (5)$$

Differential emission measure:

$$\left(\frac{dEM(T)}{dT} \right) dT = n^2(T) dV . \quad (6)$$

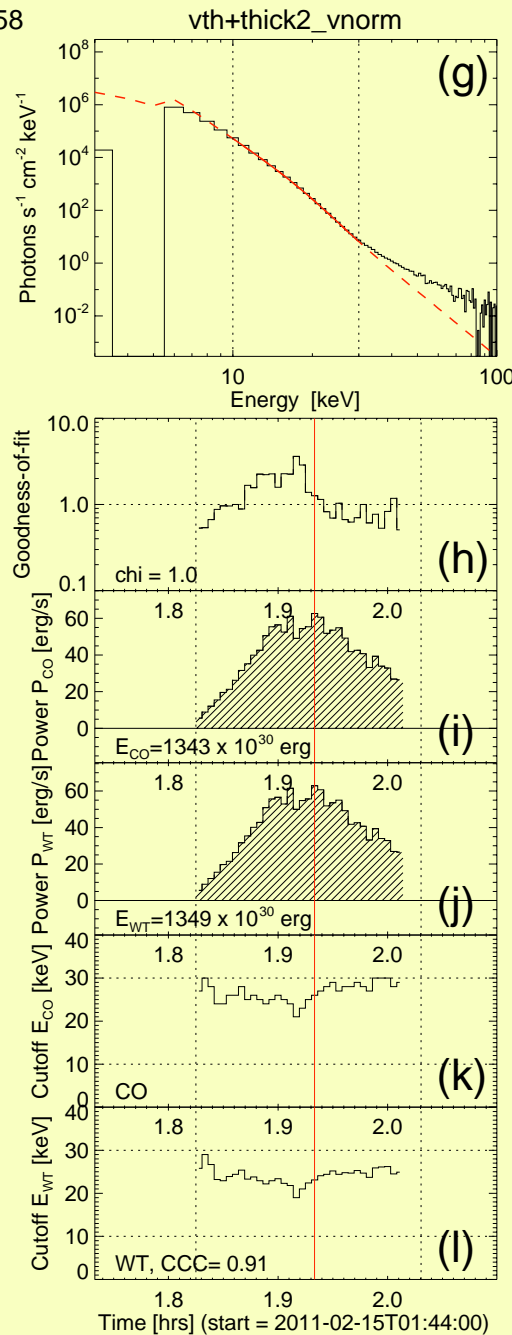
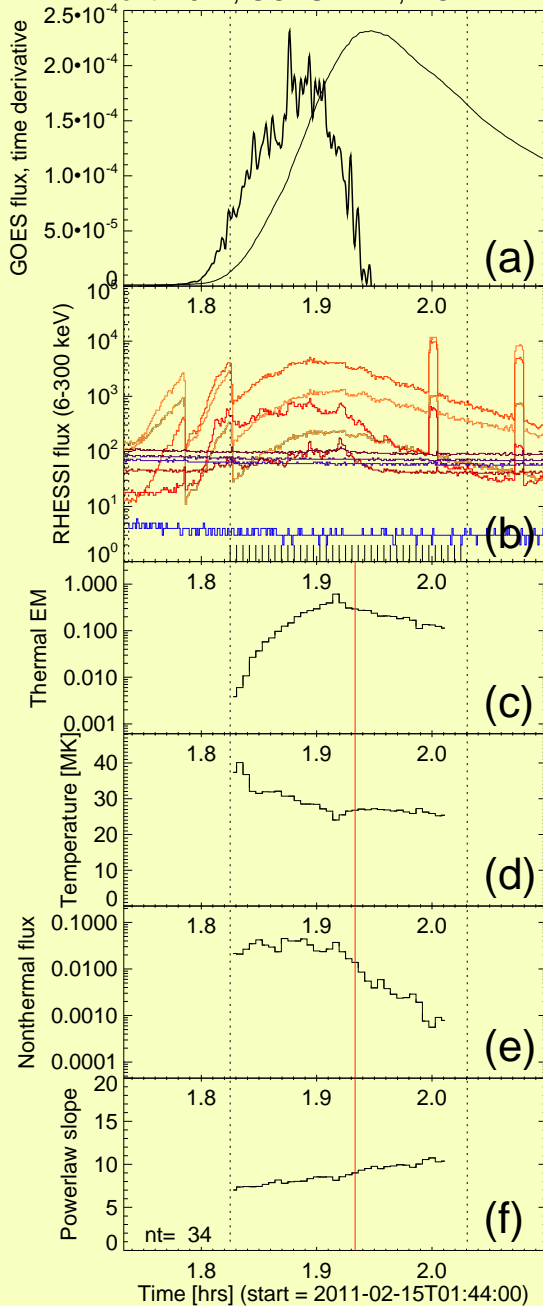
Combined thermal-plus-nonthermal spectrum:

$$I(\varepsilon) = I_{\text{th}}(\varepsilon) + I_{\text{nt}}(\varepsilon) = I_0 \int \frac{\exp(-\varepsilon/k_B T)}{T^{1/2}} \frac{dEM(T)}{dT} dT + A \varepsilon^{-\gamma} . \quad (7)$$

Effective low-energy cutoff e_c of the warm-target plasma (Kontar et al. 2015):

$$e_c \approx (\xi + 2) k_B T_e = \delta k_B T_e . \quad (8)$$

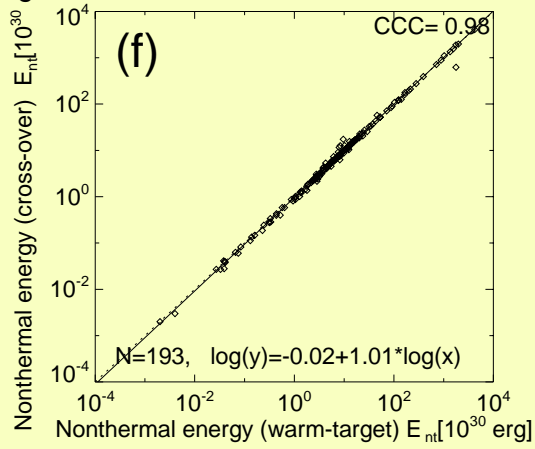
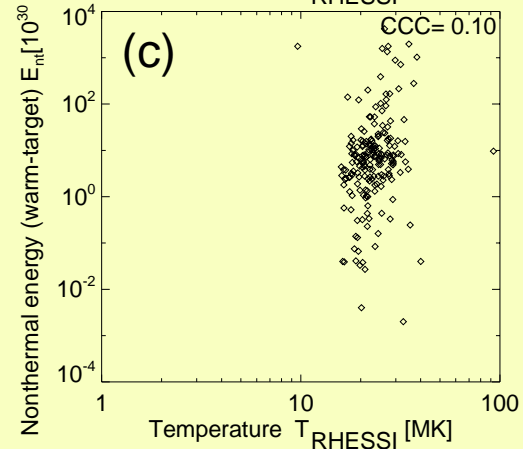
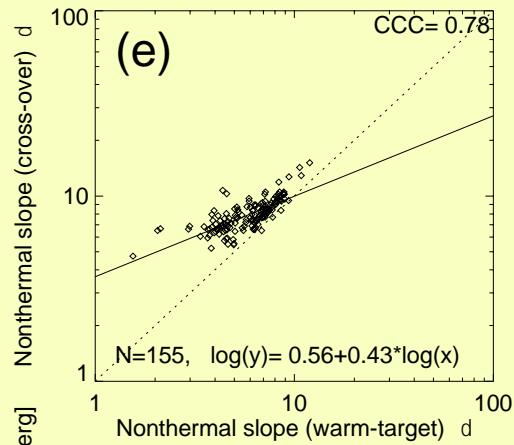
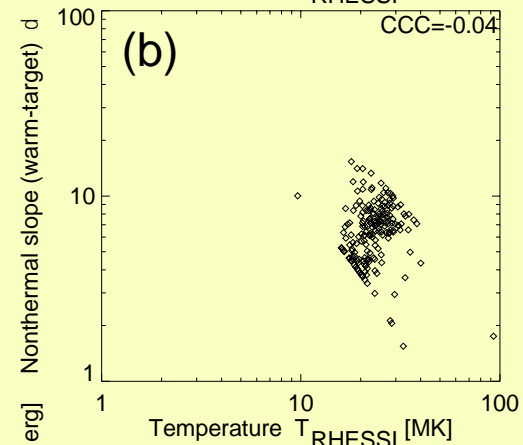
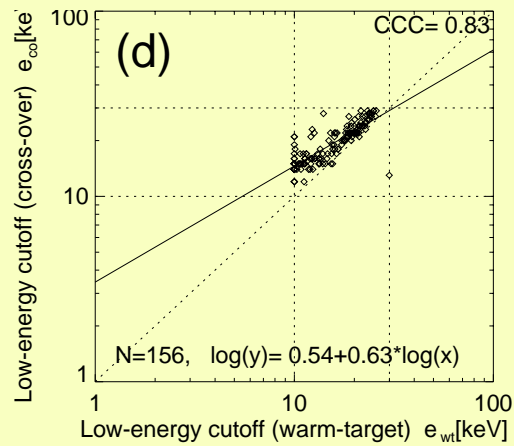
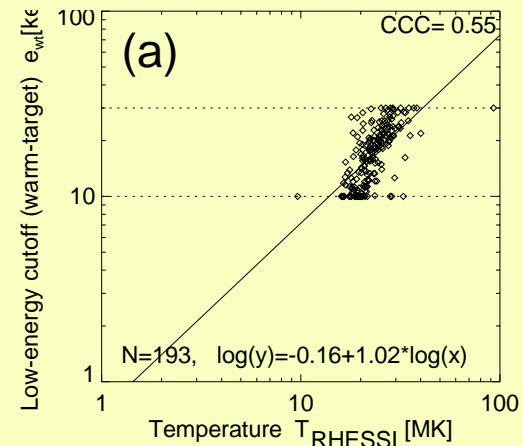
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Example of analyzed Flare (X2.2 GOES class)

- (a) GOES flux and time derivative
- (b) RHESSI flux
- (c) Thermal EM
- (d) Electron temperature
- (e) Non-thermal flux
- (f) Non-thermal power law slope
- (g) Spectral fit
- (h) Goodness-of-fit
- (i) Power (cross-over method)
- (j) Power (warm-target method)
- (k) Low energy cutoff (cross-over)
- (l) Low energy cutoff (warm-target)

The low energy cutoffs correlate (CCC=0.91) between cross-over and warm-target method

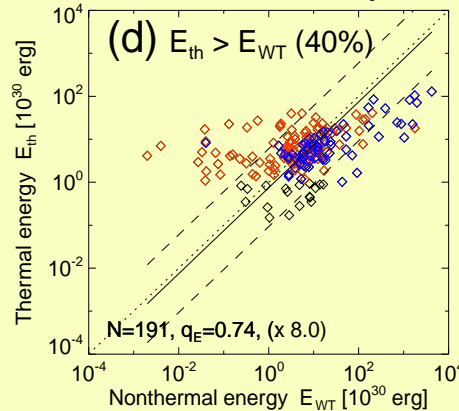
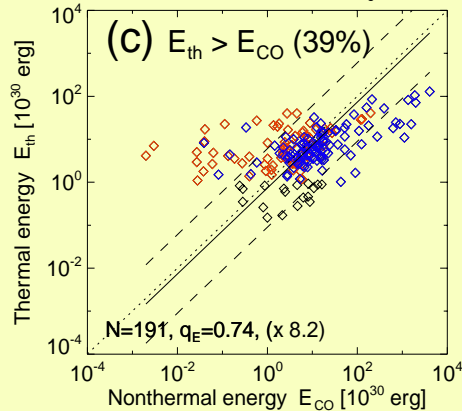
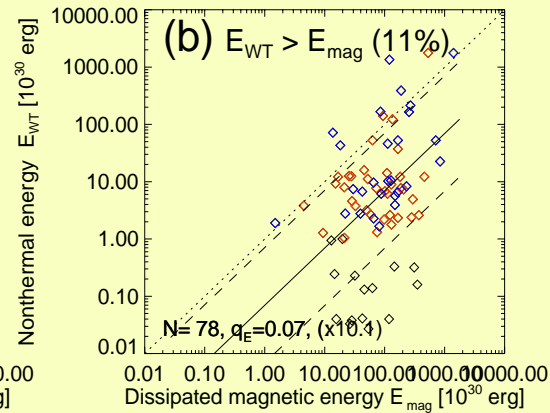
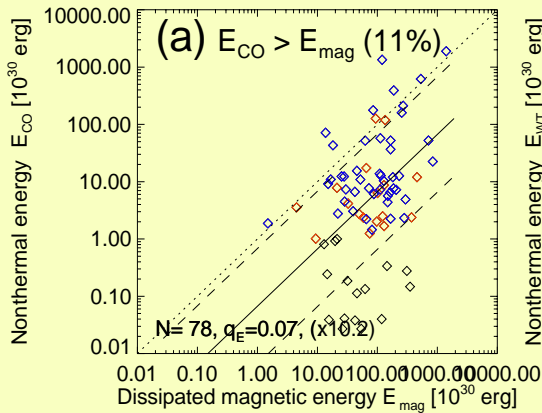


Low-energy cutoff
 is correlated with:

- temperature
- nonthermal slope

The nonthermal energy is highly correlated between the cross-over and warm-target method (CCC=0.98)

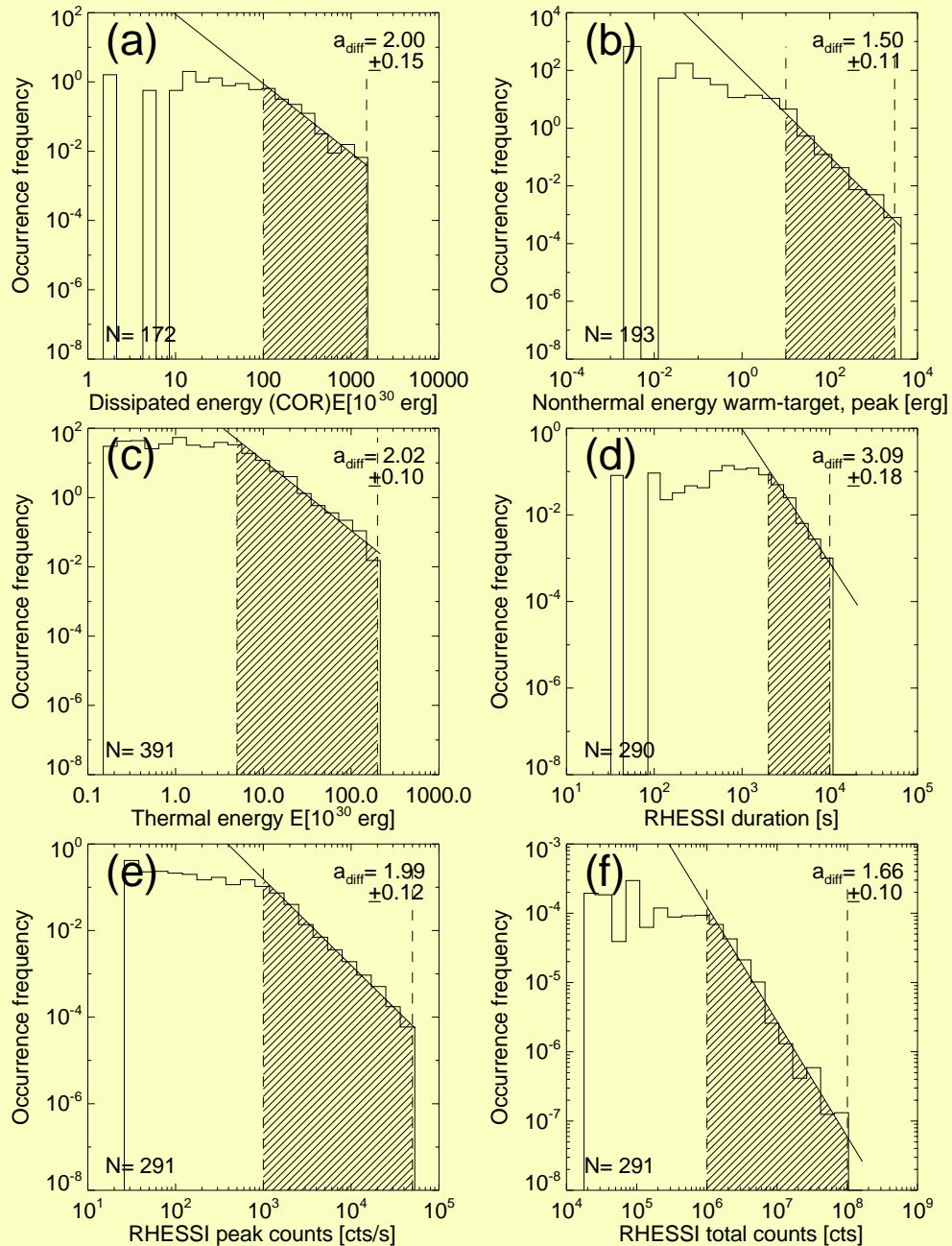
Non-thermal energy vs. dissipated magnetic energy



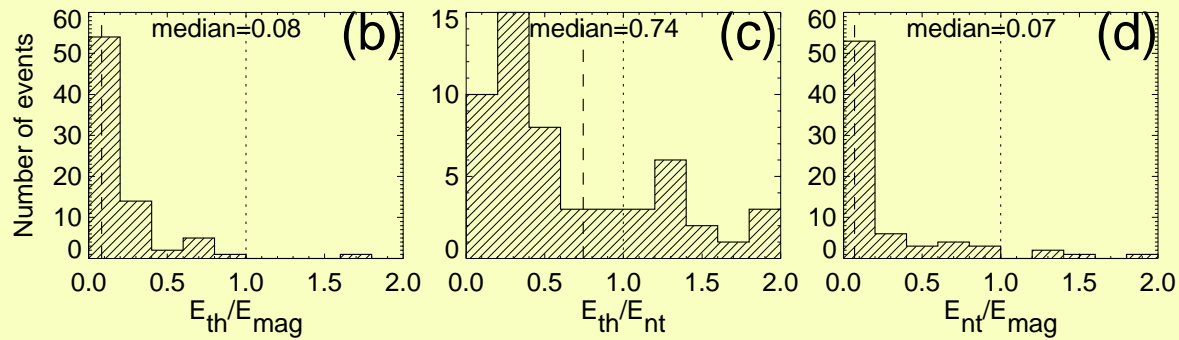
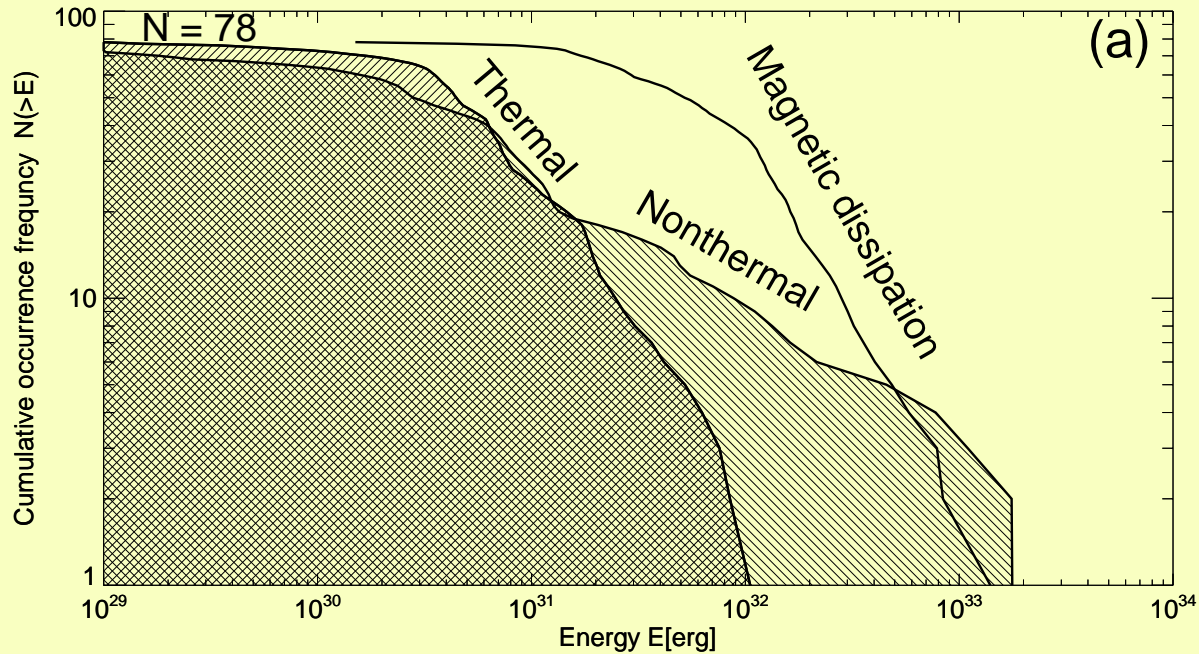
Red: $e_c < 20$ keV
 Blue: $e_c > 20$ keV

- The non-thermal energy (in accelerated electrons) accounts in the logarithmic mean for 7% of the dissipated magnetic energy → Magnetic (reconnection) is sufficient to accelerate particles.
- The thermal energy exceeds the non-thermal energy in 40% → “Failure of the thick-target model”, requires additional heating sources (thermal conduction fronts, direct heating processes).

Power law distributions of magnetic, nonthermal, and thermal energies.

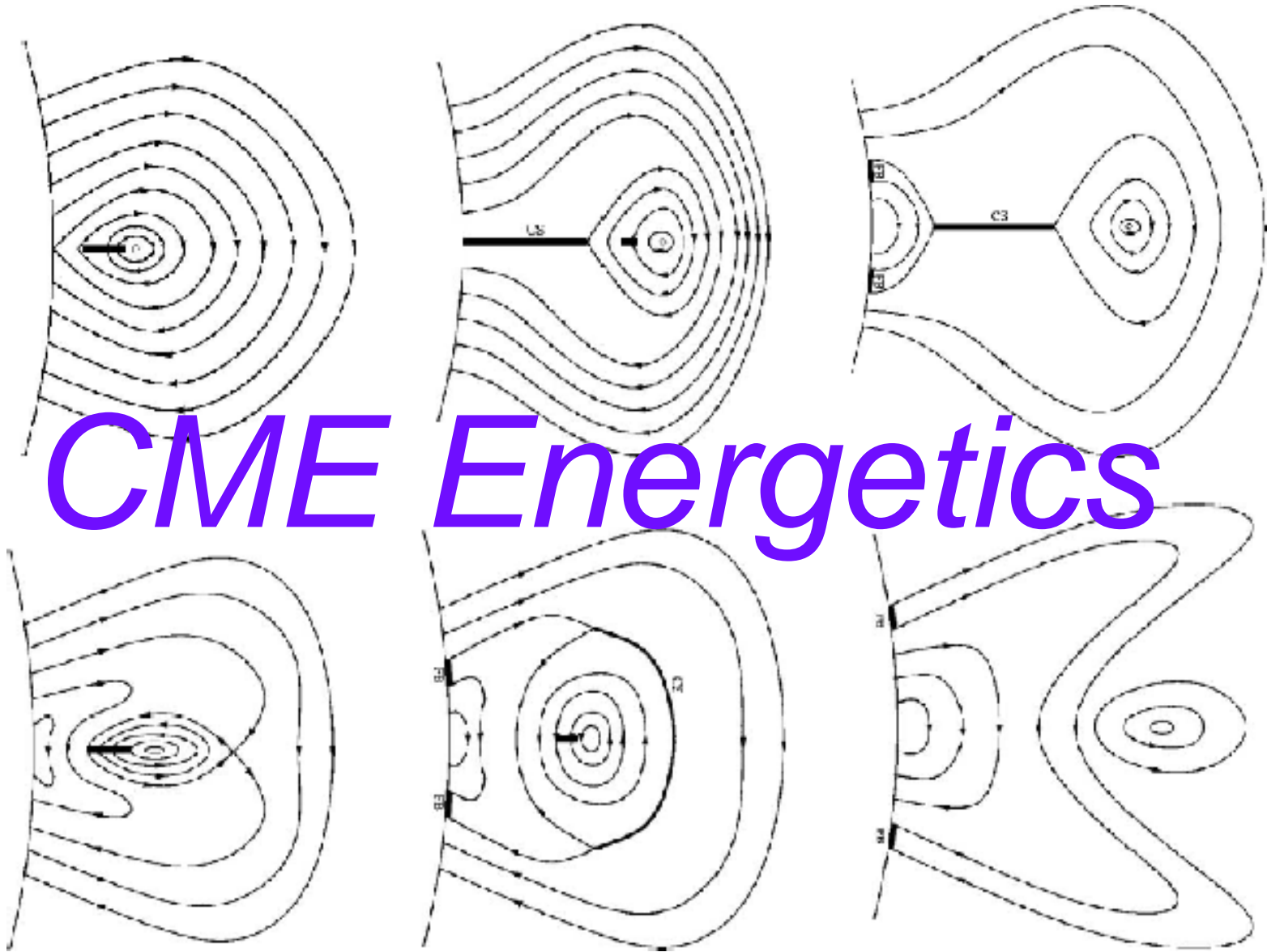


Size distributions for magnetic, thermal, nonthermal energies



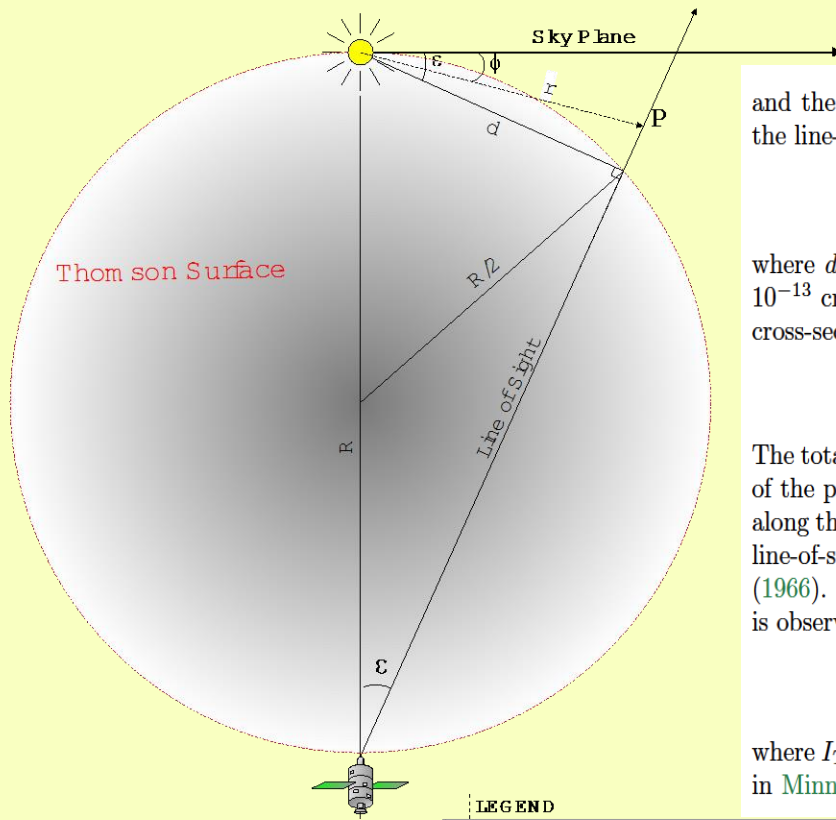
The ratio of nonthermal to dissipated magnetic energies varies systematically with the flare magnitude.

CME Energetics



CME Mass Determination from White Light Coronagraphs

Thomson Scattering Geometry



LEGEND

- R = Sun-Observer Distance
- r = Heliocentric Distance of Scattering Center
- d = Impact Radius
- ε = Elongation
- φ = Longitude (rel. to Solar Limb)

and the direction to the observer. The scattering cross-section depends on the angle χ between the line-of-sight and the radial direction through the scattering electron as (Jackson, 1962),

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\omega} = \frac{1}{2} r_e^2 (1 + \cos^2 \chi), \quad (8)$$

where $d\sigma/d\omega$ is the differential cross-section in units of $[\text{cm}^2 \text{sr}^{-1}]$ and $r_e = e^2/m_e c^2 = 2.82 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}$ is the classical electron radius. By integrating over all solid angles we obtain the total cross-section for perpendicular scattering, the so-called *Thomson cross-section* for electrons,

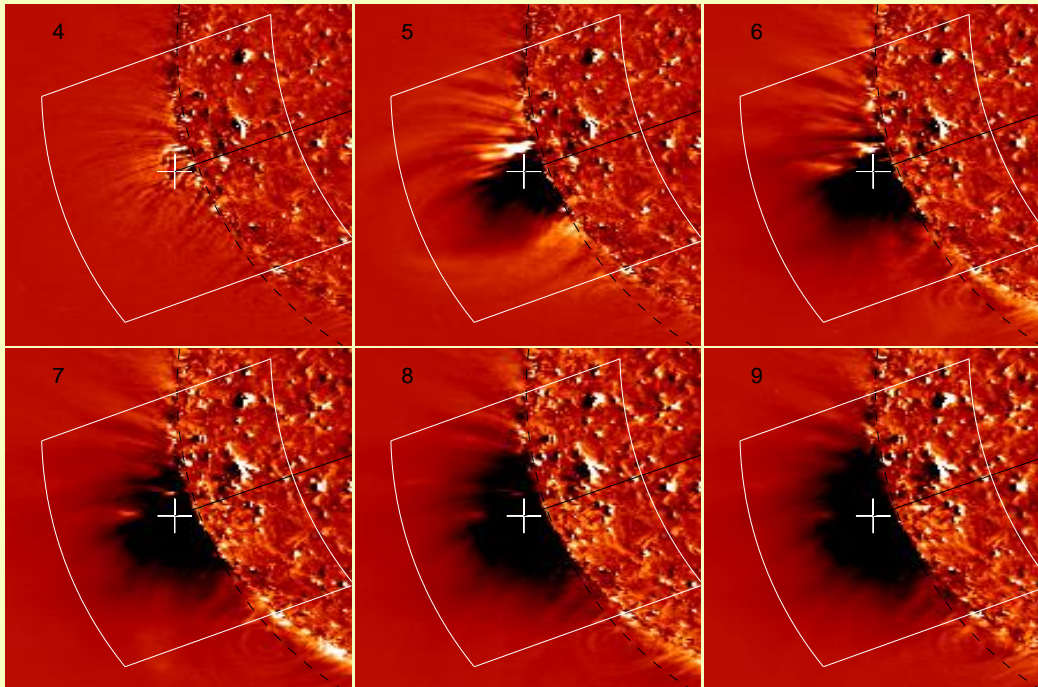
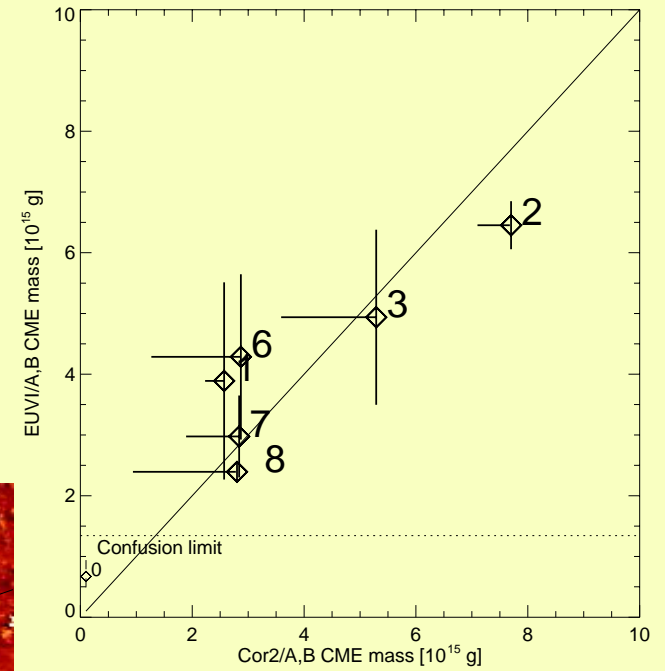
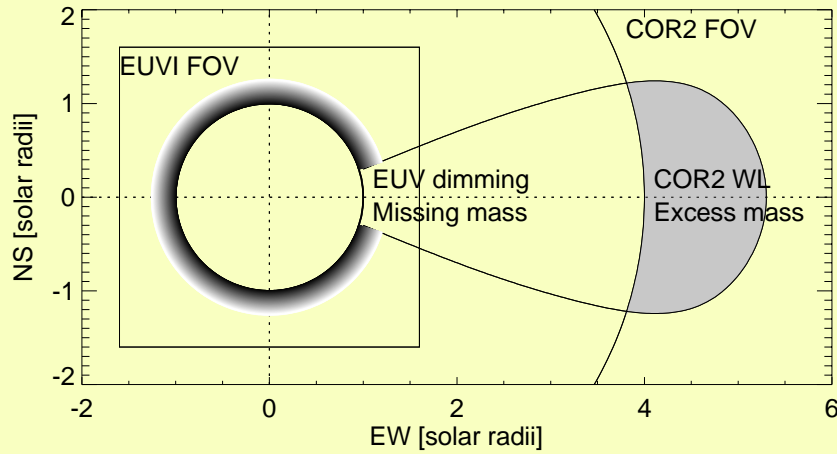
$$\sigma_T = \frac{8\pi}{3} r_e^2 = 6.65 \times 10^{-25} \text{ cm}^2. \quad (9)$$

The total scattered radiation $I(x, y)$ can then be calculated by integrating over the source locations of the photons (the photosphere) and the scattering electrons (with a 3D distribution $n_e(x, y, z)$) along the line-of-sight z , as a function of the scattering angle $\chi(x, y, z)$ with respect to the observers line-of-sight, which was first calculated by Minnaert (1930), van de Hulst (1950), and Billings (1966). For a recent review see Howard and Tappin (2009a). The degree of polarization p , which is observed in the *polarized brightness* (pB) component of white-light images, is defined as,

$$p = \frac{I_T - I_R}{I_T + I_R} = \frac{I_P}{I_{\text{tot}}}, \quad (10)$$

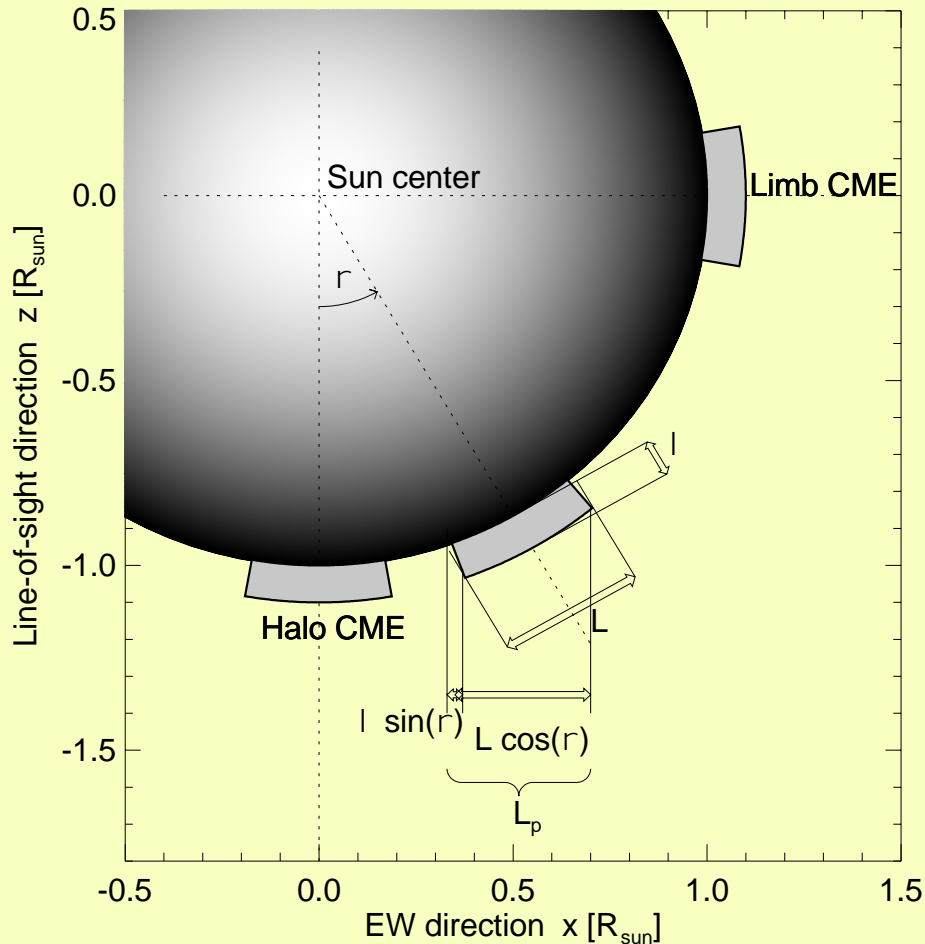
where I_T and I_R represent the tangential and radial terms of the total scattered radiation, as given in Minnaert (1930), van de Hulst (1950), Billings (1966), or Howard and Tappin (2009a). Many

CME Mass Determination from EUV Dimming



Aschwanden et al. (2009)
ApJ 706, 376

Geometry of CME-related Dimming Volume



Dimming volume V (A =area, L =length scale, λ =scale height):

$$V = A\lambda = L^2\lambda ,$$

Unforeshortened area:

$$A = L^2 .$$

Observed area A_p (projected along line-of-sight):

$$A_p = L L_p ,$$

Foreshortened length scale L_p :

$$L_p = L \cos(\rho) + \lambda \sin(\rho) = \frac{A_p}{L} ,$$

Heliographic position (l =longitude, b =latitude):

$$\cos(\rho) = \cos(l) \cos(b) ,$$

Unforeshortened length scale L :

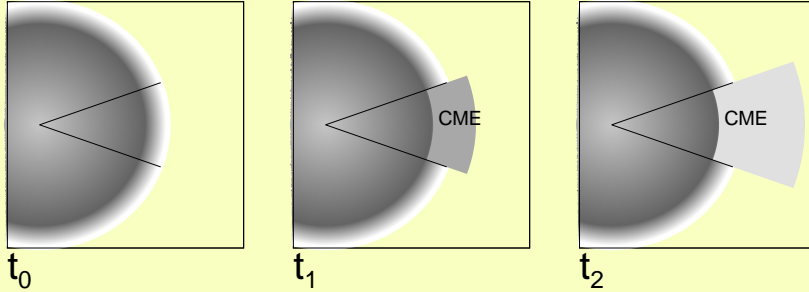
$$L = \frac{-\lambda \sin(\rho) \pm \sqrt{\lambda^2 \sin^2(\rho) + 4A_p \cos(\rho)}}{2 \cos(\rho)}$$

Correction for center-limb variation of dimming area and volume

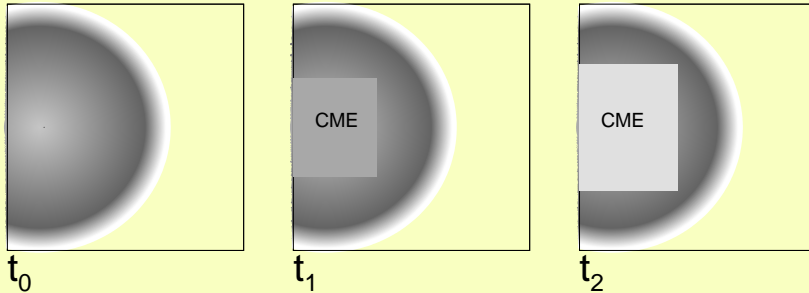
CME Radial Adiabatic Expansion Model

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CME at limb



CME at disk center



Observables:

- Emission measure $dEM(x,y,T)$
- Dimming area A
- EUV dimming curve $EM(t)$

Spatial-Synthesis Differential Emission Measure (DEM) of CME:

$$\frac{dEM(T, x, y)}{dT} = EM_p(x, y) \exp\left(-\frac{[\log(T) - \log(T_p(x, y))]^2}{2\sigma_T^2(x, y)}\right),$$

Total space and temperature-integrated emission measure of CME:

$$EM_{\text{tot}} = \int \int \int \frac{dEM(T, x, y)}{dT} dT dx dy .$$

$$EM_{\text{tot}} = \int n_e^2(\mathbf{x}) dV = n_e^2 V = n_e^2 L^2 \lambda ,$$

Mean electron density n_e in CME source region:

$$n_e = \sqrt{\frac{EM_{\text{tot}}}{L^2 \lambda}} .$$

CME mass:

$$m_{\text{cme}} = n_e m_p V = n_e m_p L^2 \lambda .$$

Radial Expansion of CME:

$$\frac{V(t)}{V_0} = \frac{[R_\odot + h(t)]^3 - R_\odot^3}{[R_\odot + h_0]^3 - R_\odot^3} .$$

Adiabatic expansion model (density reciprocal to volume):

$$EM(t) \propto n_e(t)^2 V(t) \propto V(t)^{-1} ,$$

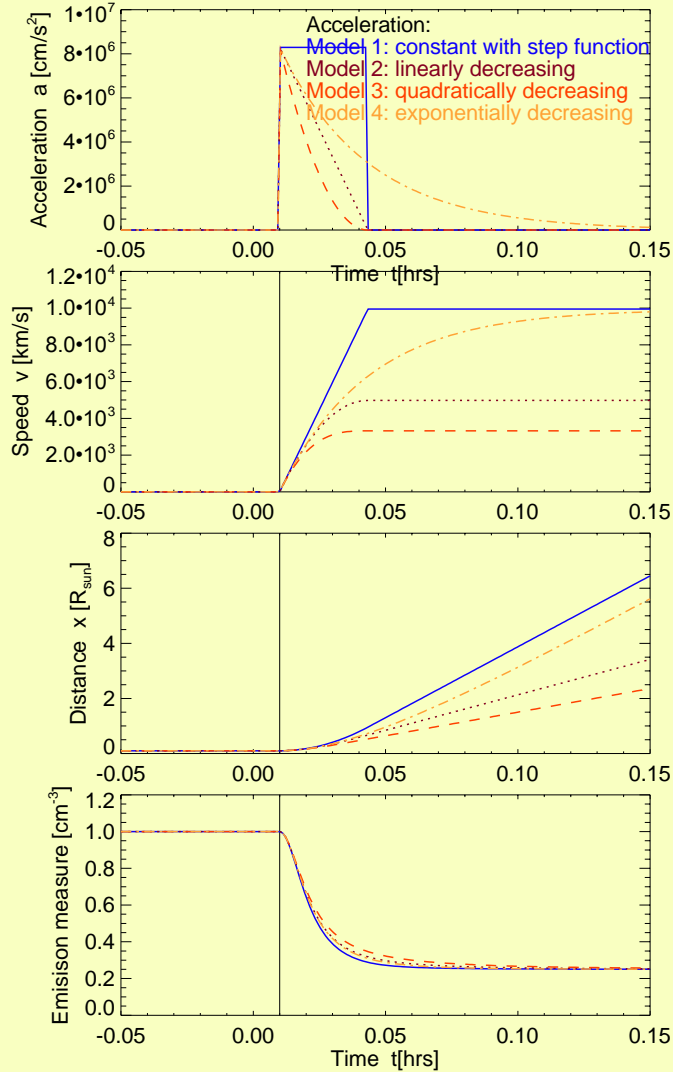
Normalized emission measure ratio $q_{EM}(t)$,

$$q_{EM}(t) = \frac{EM(t)}{EM_0} = \frac{[R_\odot + h_0]^3 - R_\odot^3}{[R_\odot + h(t)]^3 - R_\odot^3} .$$

Background correction of emission measure:

$$EM(t) = EM_{\text{max}} [q_{\text{bg}} + (1 - q_{\text{bg}}) q_{EM}(t)] ,$$

CME Kinematics



Acceleration $a(t)$:

$$a(t) = \begin{cases} a_0 & \text{for } t_0 < t < t_A \quad (\text{Model 1}) \\ a_0(1 - (t - t_0)/\tau) & \text{for } t_0 < t < t_A \quad (\text{Model 2}) \\ a_0(1 - (t - t_0)/\tau)^2 & \text{for } t_0 < t < t_A \quad (\text{Model 3}) \\ a_0 \exp[-(t - t_0)/\tau] & \text{for } t_0 < t < t_A \quad (\text{Model 4}) \end{cases}$$

Velocity profile $v(t)$:

$$v(t) = \int_{t_0}^t a(t) dt = \begin{cases} a_0(t - t_0) & \text{for } t_0 < t < t_A \quad (\text{Model 1}) \\ a_0[(t - t_0) - (t - t_0)^2/2\tau] & \text{for } t_0 < t < t_A \quad (\text{Model 2}) \\ (1/3)a_0\tau[1 - (1 - (t - t_0)/\tau)^3] & \text{for } t_0 < t < t_A \quad (\text{Model 3}) \\ a_0\tau[1 - \exp(-(t - t_0)/\tau)] & \text{for } t_0 < t < t_A \quad (\text{Model 4}) \end{cases}$$

Velocity at times after the acceleration phase ($t > t_A$):

$$v(t) = \int_{t_0}^t a(t) dt = \begin{cases} a_0\tau & \text{for } t > t_A \quad (\text{Model 1}) \\ (1/2)a_0\tau & \text{for } t > t_A \quad (\text{Model 2}) \\ (1/3)a_0\tau & \text{for } t > t_A \quad (\text{Model 3}) \\ a_0\tau[1 - \exp(-(t - t_0)/\tau)] & \text{for } t > t_A \quad (\text{Model 4}) \end{cases}$$

Height-time profile $h(t)$:

$$x(t) = \int_{t_0}^t v(t) dt = \begin{cases} x_0 + (1/2)a_0(t - t_0)^2 & \text{for } t_0 < t < t_A \quad (\text{Model 1}) \\ x_0 + (1/3)a_0\tau^2 & \text{for } t_0 < t < t_A \quad (\text{Model 2}) \\ x_0 + (1/3)a_0\tau[(t - t_0) + (1/4)\tau[(1 - (t - t_0)/\tau)^4 - 1]] & \text{for } t_0 < t < t_A \quad (\text{Model 3}) \\ x_0 + a_0\tau(t - t_0) - a_0\tau^2[1 - \exp(-(t - t_0)/\tau)] & \text{for } t_0 < t < t_A \quad (\text{Model 4}) \end{cases}$$

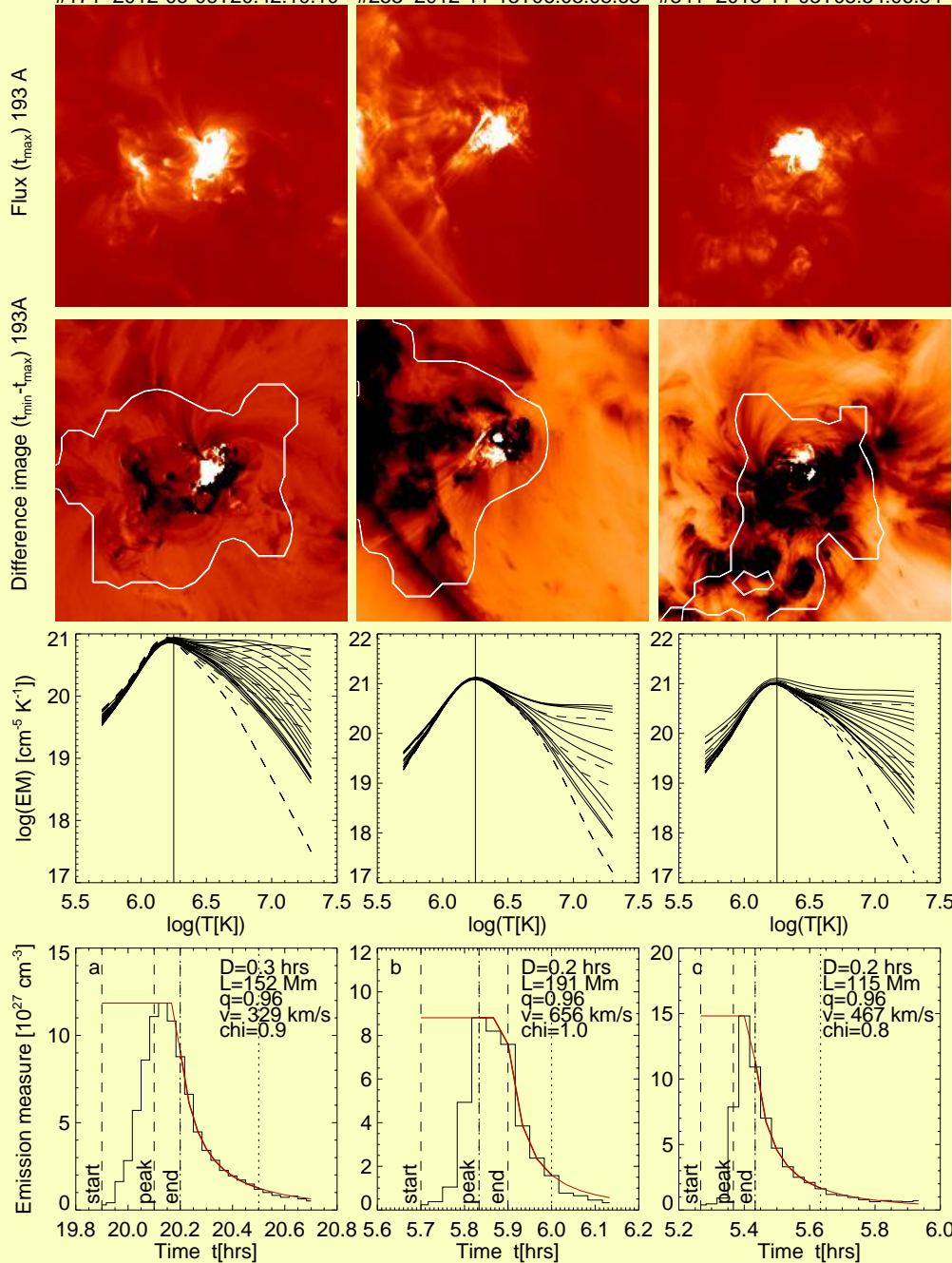
Height time profile at times after the acceleration phase ($t > t_A$):

$$x(t) = \int_{t_0}^t v(t) dt = \begin{cases} x_0 + (1/2)a_0\tau^2 + a_0\tau(t - t_A) & \text{for } t > t_A \quad (\text{Model 1}) \\ x_0 + (1/3)a_0\tau^2 + (1/2)a_0\tau(t - t_A) & \text{for } t > t_A \quad (\text{Model 2}) \\ x_0 + (1/4)a_0\tau^2 + (1/3)a_0\tau(t - t_A) & \text{for } t > t_A \quad (\text{Model 3}) \\ x_0 + a_0\tau(t - t_0) - a_0\tau^2[1 - \exp(-(t - t_0)/\tau)] & \text{for } t > t_A \quad (\text{Model 4}) \end{cases}$$

Fitting of CME kinematics to observed dimming profile EM(t)

SIMPLE EVENTS

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Three examples of analyzed flares:

- (a) Flux $I_{193}(x,y)$
- (b) Difference image with dimming area
- (c) Emission measure DEM(T)
- (d) EUV dimming profile of total emission measure EM(t)

The total emission measure includes all emission in the Temperature range of 0.5-20 MK

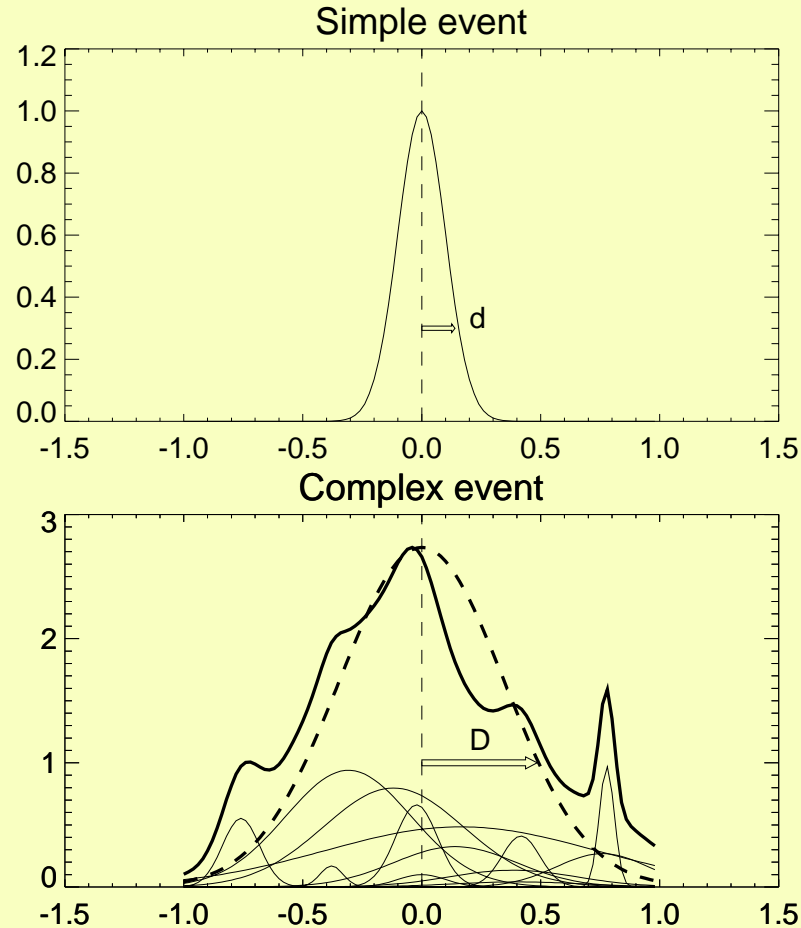
→ Dimming is a density rarification and not a cooling effect !

Statistics of CME and dimming parameters

Table 1. Ranges and distributions of CME parameters measured in 399 CME events with AIA. The mean and standard deviations refer to the slopes p of power law distributions, or to the Gaussian normal distributions $x \pm \sigma_x$. The dimming delay is defined as the time difference $\Delta t = (t_{\text{dimm}} - t_{\text{peak}})$ between the beginning of EUV dimming and the GOES (1-8 Å) flare peak time.

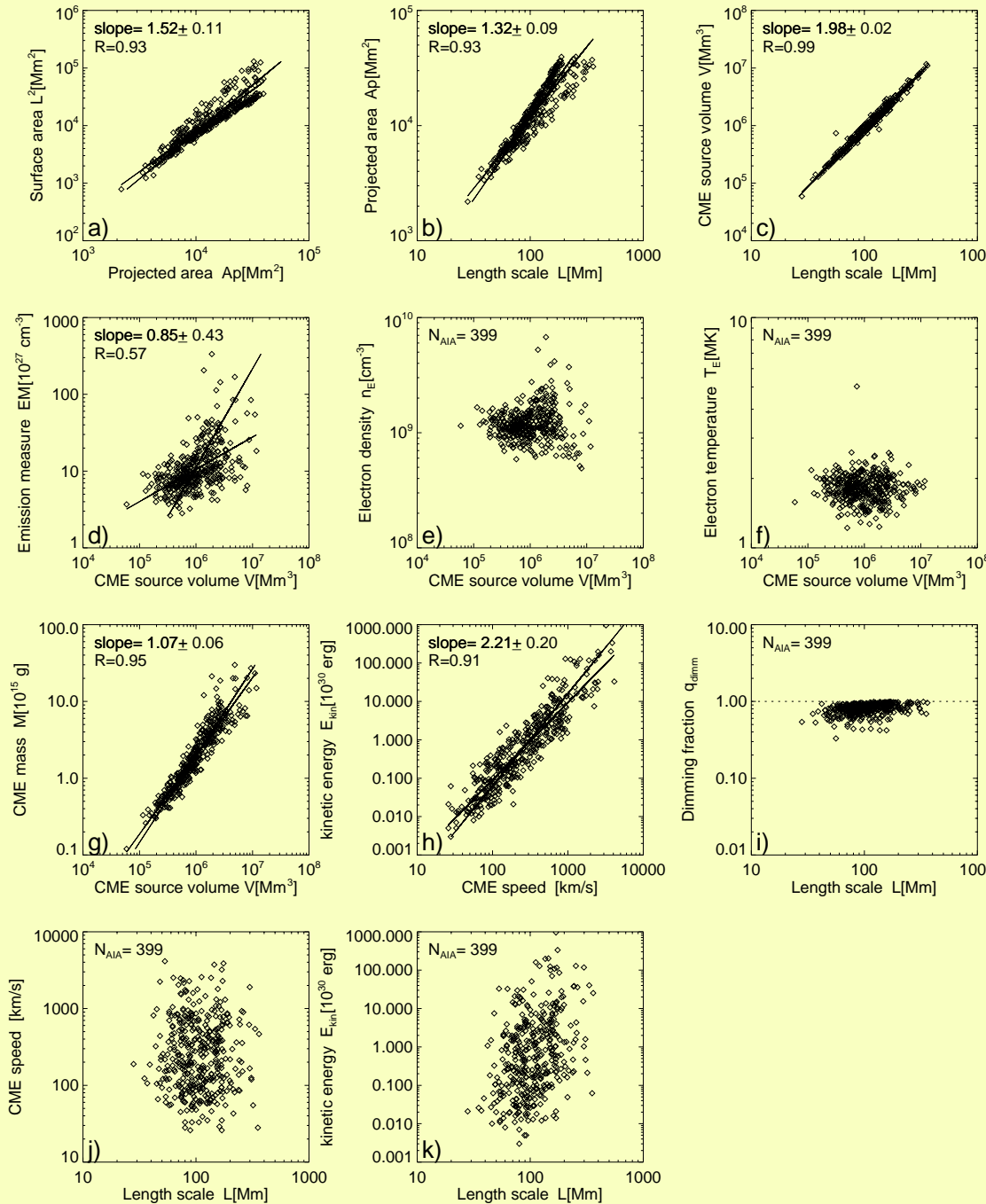
Parameter	Range	Distribution type	Mean and standard deviation
Length scale L	(28...361) Mm	power law	$p = -3.4 \pm 1.0$
Projected area A_p	$(0.2...4.0) \times 10^{20} \text{ cm}^2$	power law	$p = -1.3 \pm 0.1$
CME dimming area A	$(0.1...13.0) \times 10^{20} \text{ cm}^2$	power law	$p = -1.3 \pm 0.1$
CME dimming volume V	$(0.06...12) \times 10^{30} \text{ cm}^3$	power law	$p = -2.5 \pm 0.6$
Dimming time τ_{dimm}	(0.5...33) min	power law	$p = -2.5 \pm 0.6$
Propagation time τ_{prop}	(0.3...54) min	power law	$p = -1.5 \pm 0.2$
GOES flare duration	(0.1...7.0) hrs	power law	$p = -2.0 \pm 0.2$
CME mass m	$(0.1...30) \times 10^{15} \text{ erg}$	power law	$p = -2.2 \pm 0.5$
CME emission measure EM	$(2.7...334) \times 10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-3}$	power law	$p = -2.4 \pm 0.5$
CME speed v	(26...4100) km s^{-1}	power law	$p = -1.9 \pm 0.3$
CME kinetic energy E_{kin}	$(0.003...960) \times 10^{30} \text{ erg}$	power law	$p = -1.4 \pm 0.1$
CME grav. energy E_{grav}	$(0.2...57) \times 10^{30} \text{ erg}$	power law	$p = -2.0 \pm 0.4$
CME total energy E_{tot}	$(0.25...1000) \times 10^{30} \text{ erg}$	power law	$p = -2.0 \pm 0.3$
Dimming delay $\Delta\tau_{\text{dimm}}$	$\Delta\tau_{\text{dimm}} = (-7...108) \text{ min}$	Gaussian	$\Delta\tau = 5.8 \pm 7.3 \text{ min}$
pre-CME density n_e	$(0.6...6.8) \times 10^9 \text{ cm}^{-3}$	Gaussian	$n_e = (1.3 \pm 0.6) \times 10^9 \text{ cm}^{-3}$
pre-CME temperature T_e	(1.2...5.0) MK	Gaussian	$T_e = 1.8 \pm 0.3 \text{ MK}$
Density scale height λ	$\lambda = (47...235) \text{ Mm}$	Gaussian	$\lambda = 86 \pm 12 \text{ Mm}$
Dimming fraction q_{dimm}	$q_{\text{dimm}} = (0.3...1.0)$	Gaussian	$q_{\text{dimm}} = 0.82 \pm 0.12$
Goodness-of-fit χ	(0.06...6.1)	Gaussian	$\chi = 1.6 \pm 1.1$

Simple and complex EUV dimming events

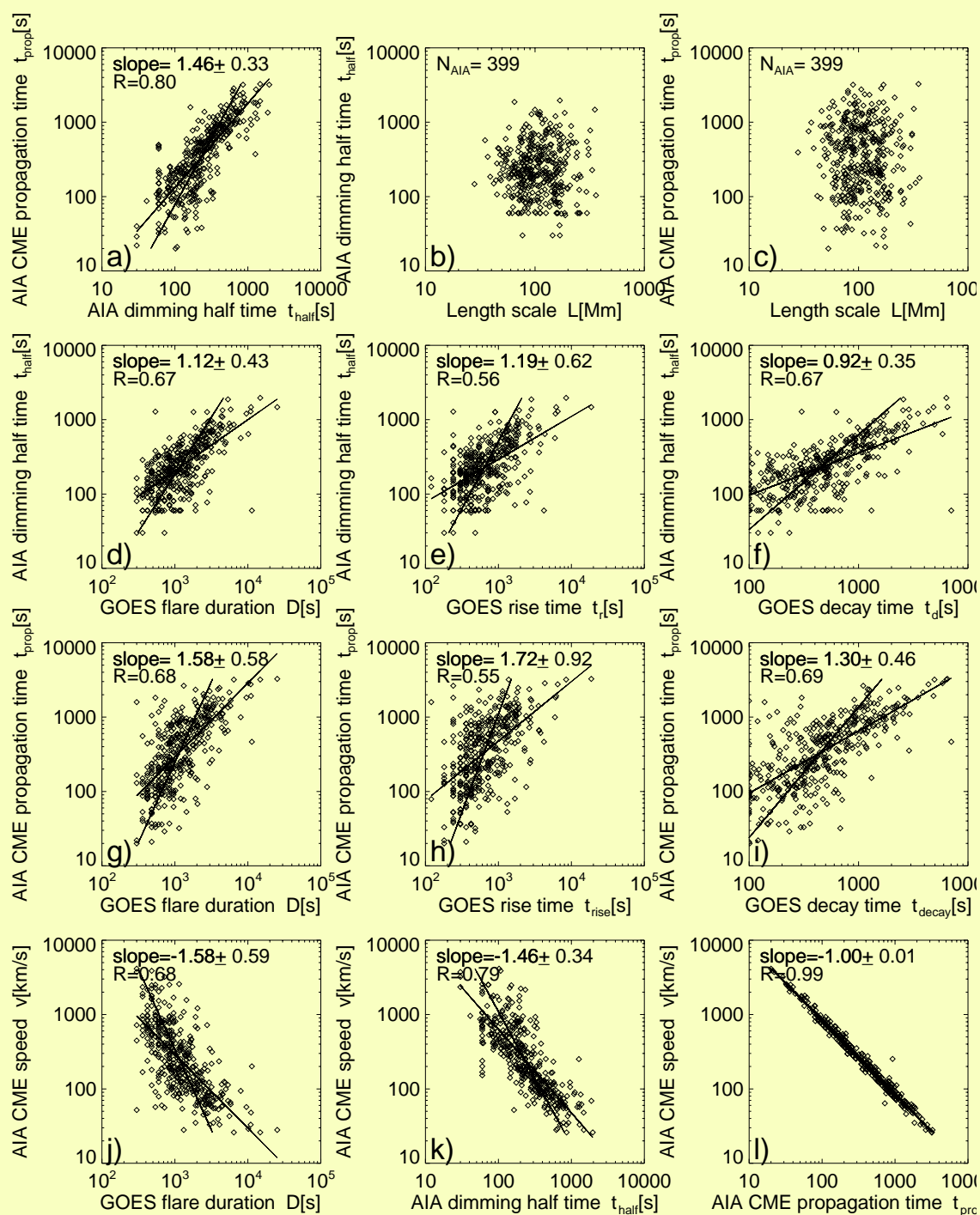


Complex events consist of multiple time-delayed dimming episodes.
Fitting of complex events with single adiabatic expansion model
underestimates CME speed !

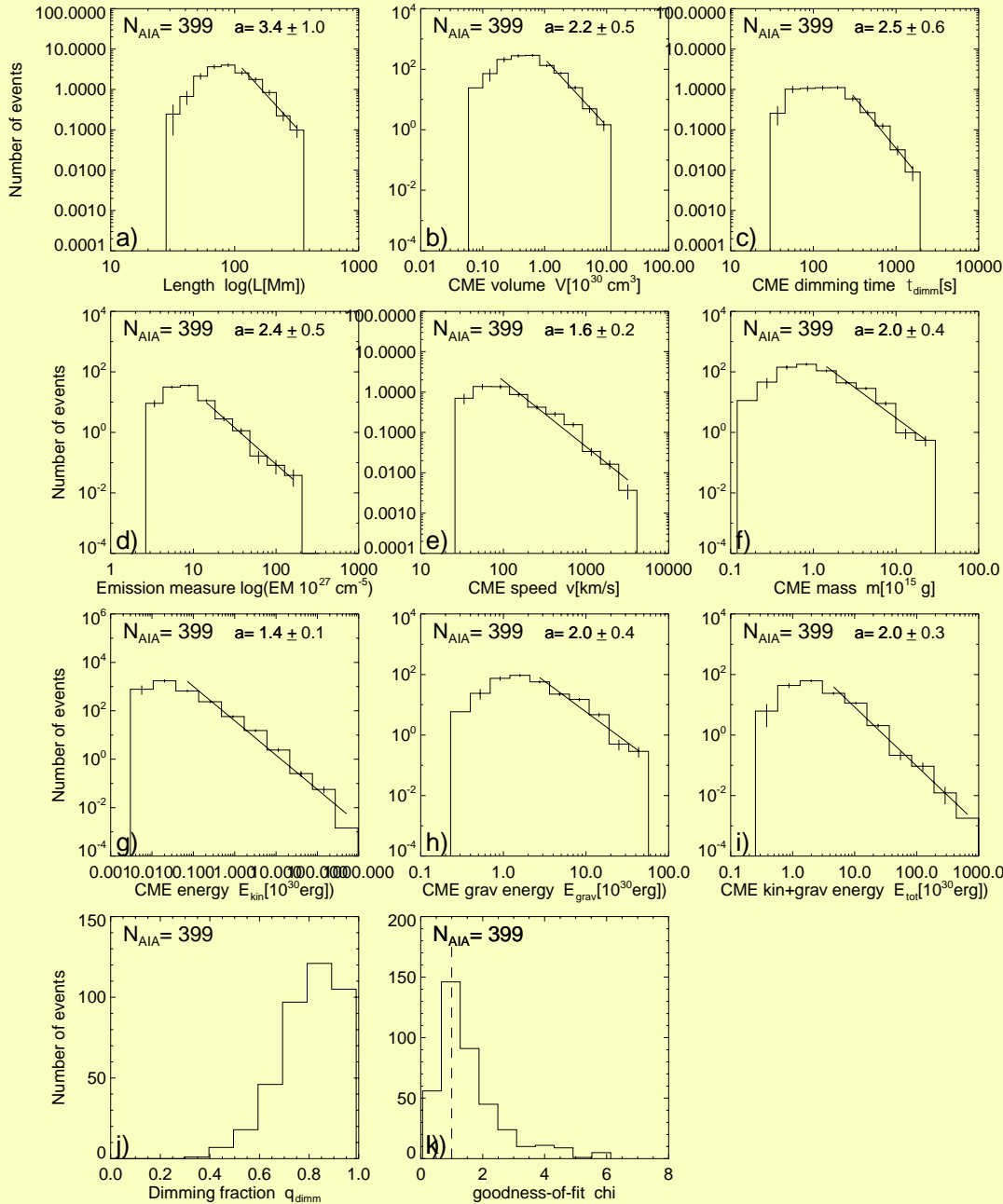
Correlations of EUV dimming parameters



Correlations of GOES and AIA Temporal parameters



Power Law
size distributions
of CME parameters
measured in 399
flare events
Observed with AIA



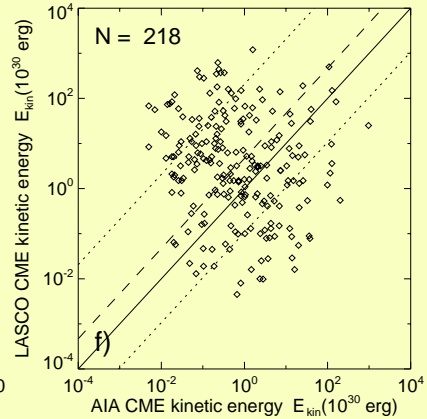
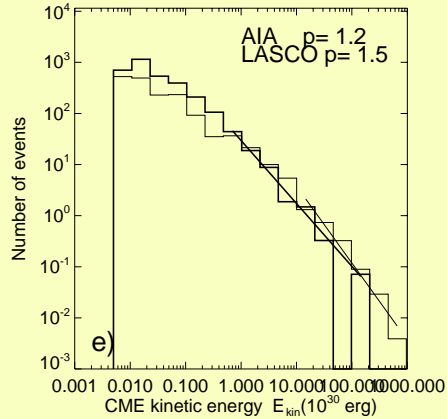
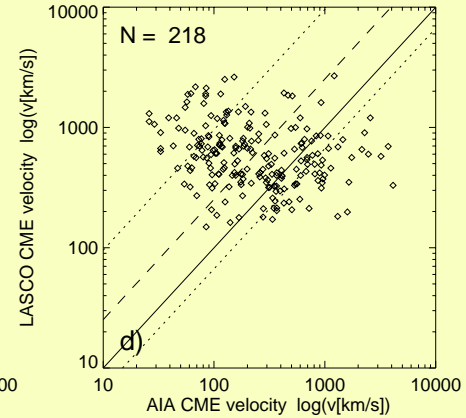
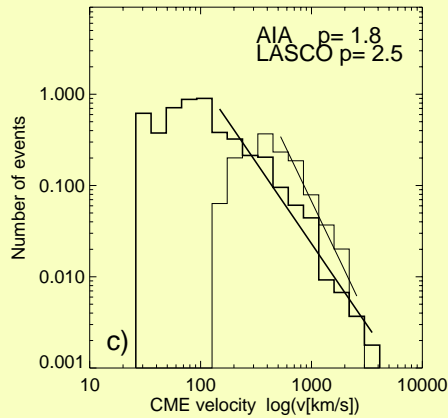
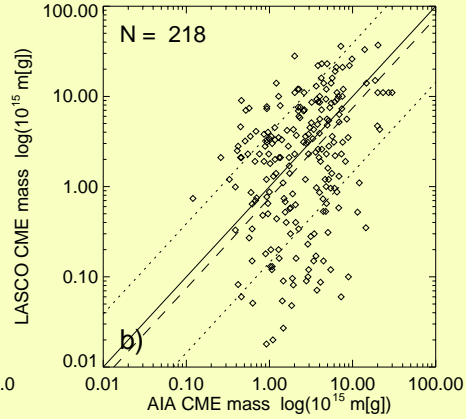
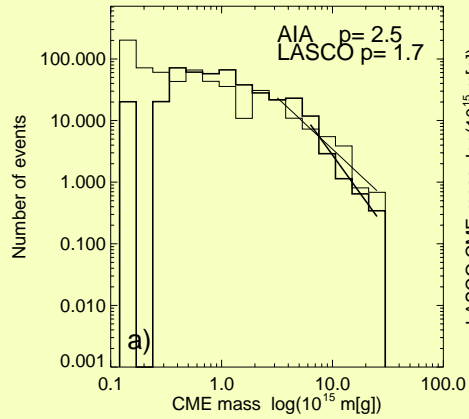
Size distributions of CME and dimming parameters

Table 1. Predicted and observed occurrence frequency distributions $N(x)$ and correlations $x \propto y^p$ of CME parameters.

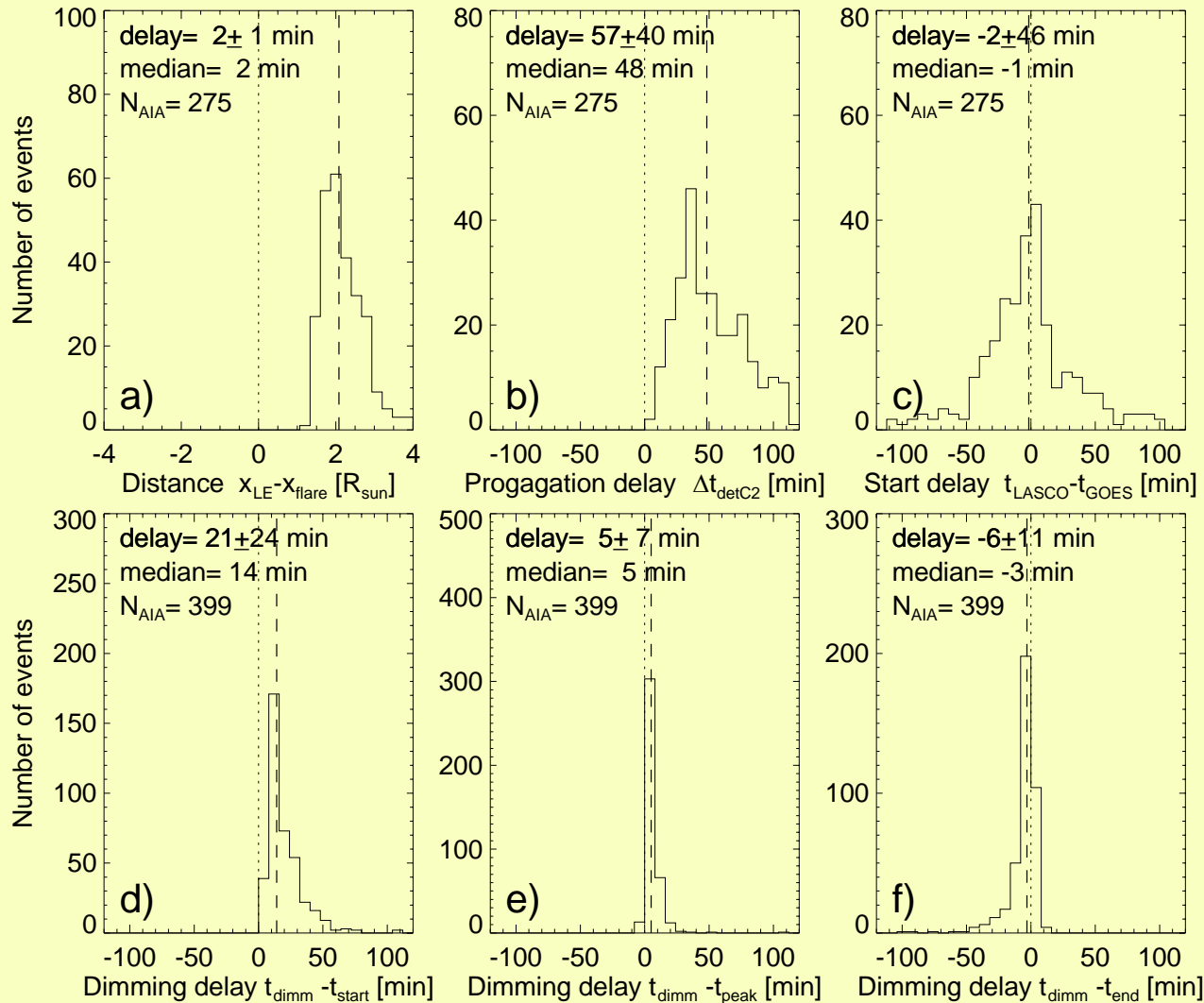
Parameter	Function	Theoretical Exponent	Observed Exponent	Reference Figure
Length scale L	$N(L) \propto L^d$	$d = -3.0$	$d = -3.4 \pm 1.0$	(Fig. 16a)
CME volume V	$V \propto L^a$	$a = -2.0$	$a = -1.98 \pm 0.02$	(Fig. 14c)
	$N(V) \propto V^p$	$p = -2.2$	$p = -2.2 \pm 0.5$	(Fig. 16b)
CME mass m	$m \propto V^a$	$a = +1.0$	$a = +1.07 \pm 0.06$	(Fig. 14g)
	$N(m) \propto m^p$	$p = -2.2$	$p = -2.0 \pm 0.4$	(Fig. 16f)
Emission measure EM	$EM \propto V^a$	$a = +1.0$	$a = +0.9 \pm 0.4$	(Fig. 14d)
	$N(EM) \propto EM^p$	$p = -2.2$	$p = -2.4 \pm 0.5$	(Fig. 16d)
Duration D	$D \propto L^a$	$a = +2.0$	
	$N(D) \propto D^p$	$p = -2.2$	$p = -2.4 \pm 0.6$	(Fig. 16c)
CME speed v	$v \propto D^a$	$a = -1.0$	$p = -1.6 \pm 0.6$	(Fig. 15g)
	$N(v) \propto v^p$	$p = -1.8$	$p = -1.9 \pm 0.2$	(Fig. 16e)
CME kinetic energy E_{kin}	$E_{\text{kin}} \propto v^a$	$a = +2.0$	$p = +2.2 \pm 0.2$	(Fig. 14h)
	$N(Ek) \propto Ek^p$	$p = -1.4$	$p = -1.4 \pm 0.1$	(Fig. 16g)
CME grav. energy $E_{\text{grav}g}$	$E_{\text{grav}} \propto m^a$	$a = +1.0$		
	$N(Eg) \propto Eg^p$	$p = -2.2$	$p = -2.0 \pm 0.4$	(Fig. 16h)
CME total energy $E_{\text{tot}t}$	$E_{\text{tot}} \propto Ek + Eg$			
	$N(Et) \propto Et^p$	$p = -1.9$	$p = -2.0 \pm 0.3$	(Fig. 16i)

The power law slopes are consistent with the fractal-diffusive self-organized criticality model (Aschwanden 2012).

Comparison of CME masses, speeds, and energies LASCO/C2 vs. AIA

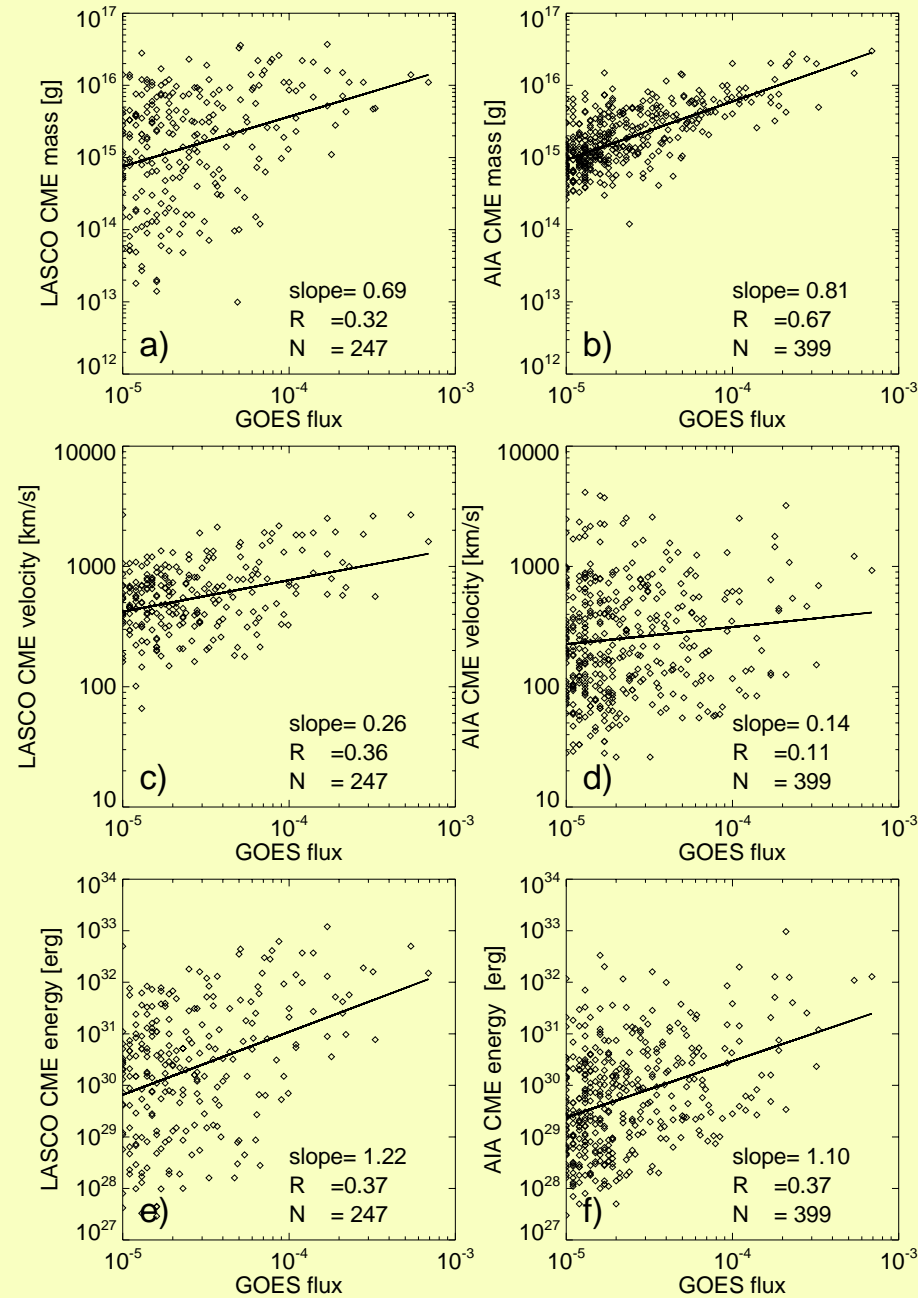


Time delay in dimming events simultaneously observed with LASCO/C2 and AIA



Relative timing of EUV dimming start with GOES flare peak is $dt=5 \pm 7$ minutes

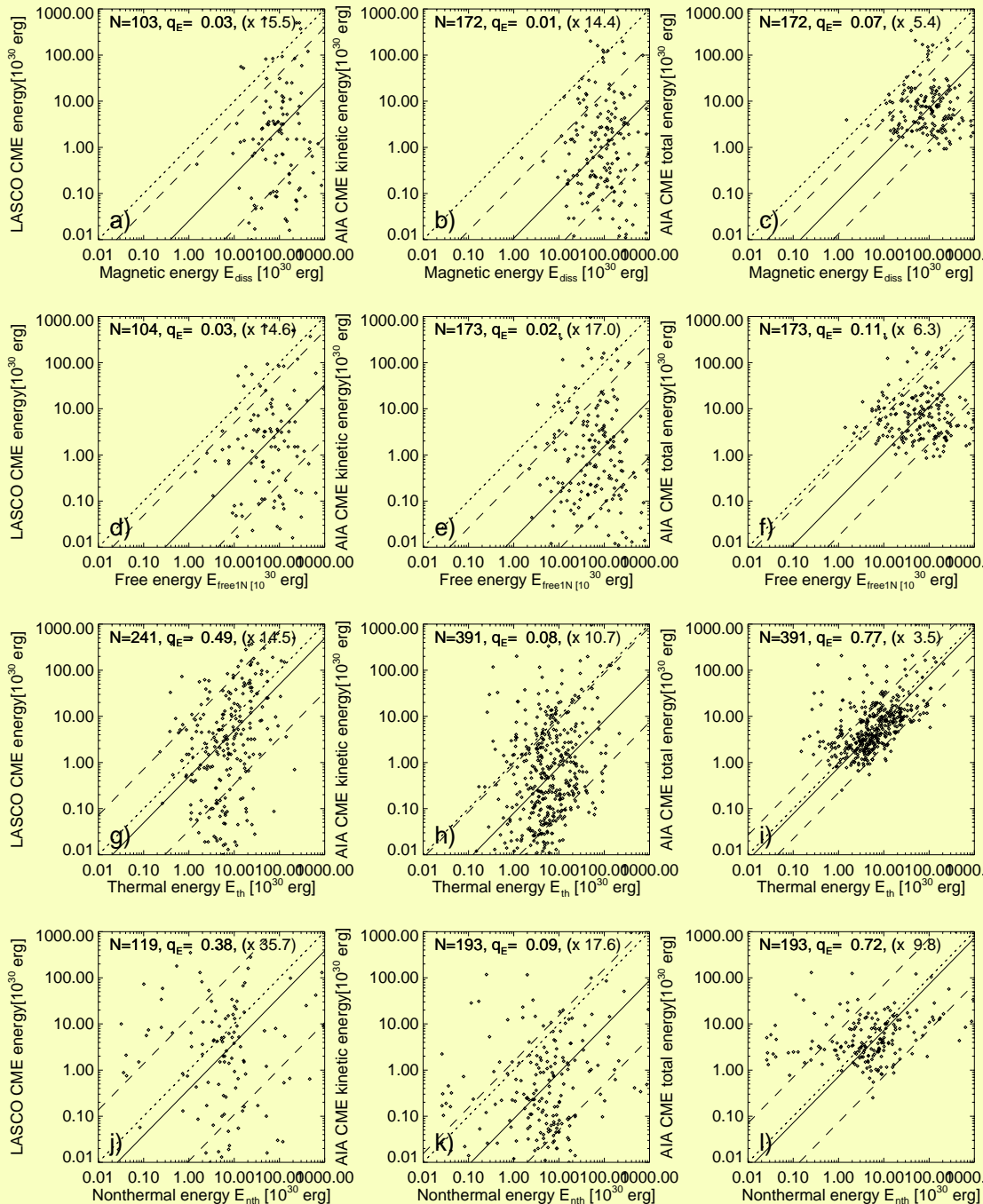
Comparison of CME masses, speeds, and energies of LASCO/C2 and AIA with GOES flare magnitude



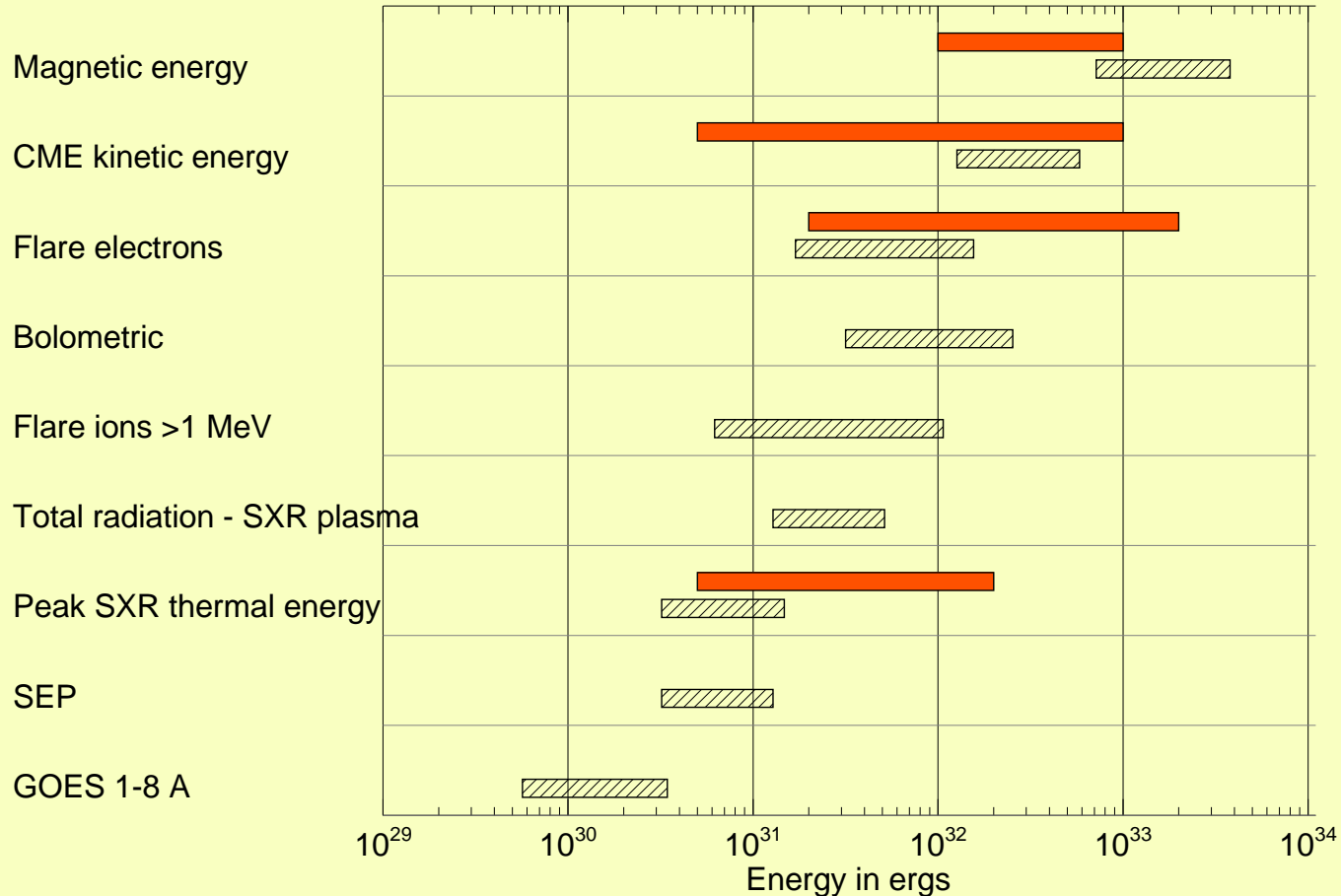
Comparison of CME kinetic energies, (LASCO/C2 and AIA) and total kinetic plus gravitational energy with magnetic, free, thermal, nonthermal energies

Including the gravitational energy to kinetic CME energy yields the log means:

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{\text{CME}} &= 7\% E_{\text{mag}} \\
 &= 11\% E_{\text{free}} \\
 &= 77\% E_{\text{th}} \\
 &= 72\% E_{\text{nth}}
 \end{aligned}$$



Comparison of this Global Flare Energetics Survey With study of Emslie et al. (2012)



**New: Magnetic energy calculated with vertical-current NLFFF, instead ad hoc
CME energy calculated from EUV dimming (AIA), instead coronagraph
Multi-thermal (spatial-synthesis DEM), instead of iso-thermal**

Conclusions :

- 1) The “Global Flare and CME Energetics” project entails all (399) M and X-class flares observed with SDO during the first 3.5 years of its mission and has been completed for 4 different forms of energies: magnetic energies (Paper I), thermal energies (Paper II), non-thermal energies (Paper III), and CME energies (Paper IV).
- 2) The (logarithmic) mean ratio between different energy conversions are:
 $E_{\text{th}} = 0.07 E_{\text{mag}} \rightarrow$ Magnetic energy is sufficient to produce thermal flare energy
 $E_{\text{nth}} = 0.07 E_{\text{mag}} \rightarrow$ Magnetic energy is sufficient to accelerate electrons
 $E_{\text{CME}} = 0.07 E_{\text{mag}} \rightarrow$ Magnetic energy is sufficient to launch CME
- 3) The (logarithmic) mean ratio between thermal and non-thermal energies are:
 $E_{\text{th}} = 0.7 E_{\text{nth}} \rightarrow$ Thick-target model fails in 40% to explain thermal energy. Other forms of heating are additionally required (thermal conduction fronts, direct heating, wave heating).
- 4) CME energies determined in white-light with LASCO/C2 are based on leading edge speed, while EUV dimming from AIA data measures bulk velocities, which are smaller than leading edge speed, in particular in complex events.
- 5) Power law slopes of size distributions of all energy parameters can be modeled with self-organized criticality models.

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