

The solar orbiter imager (SoloHI) instrument for the Solar Orbiter mission

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What Is SoloHI?

- Wide-Field Imager of the Heliosphere From 5 to 45 deg From the Sun.
- Visible Light Observations.
- Simple Telescope: No Mechanisms Other Than One-Shot Door.
- Next-Generation 4Kx4K APS Sensor.





- How and Where Do the Solar Wind Plasma and Magnetic Field Originate in the Corona?
 - What Are the Source Regions of the Solar Wind and Heliospheric Magnetic Field?
 - What Mechanisms Heat and Accelerate the Solar Wind?
 - What Are the Sources of Solar Wind Turbulence and How Does It Evolve?
- How Do Solar Transients Drive Heliospheric Variability?
 - How Do CMEs Evolve Through the Corona and Inner Heliosphere?
 - How Do CMEs Contribute to Solar Magnetic Flux and Helicity Balance?
 - How and Where Do Shocks Form in the Corona?
- How Do Solar Eruptions Produce Energetic Particle Radiation?
 - How and Where Are Energetic Particles Accelerated at the Sun?
- How Does the Solar Dynamo Work and Drive Connections Between the Sun and the Heliosphere?
 - How Are Variations in the Solar Wind Linked to the Sun at All Latitudes?
 - What Is the 3-Dimensional Structure and Extent of Streamers and CMEs?
- Additional SoloHI Goals/Questions
 - What Are the Sources and Properties of Dust in the Inner Heliosphere, and Do Sun-Grazing Comets Contribute to the Dust?



SoloHI Science Requirement Traceability Matrix (1 of 3)

| Science Objective | 2.1 How and wher | 2.2 How do solar transients drive heliospheric variability? | | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|---|--|-----------------------------|--|---|---|--|
| Science Question# | 2.1.1 | 2.1.2 | 2.1.3 | | | 2.2.1 | | | |
| Science Question | What are the source regions of the solar wind and heliospheric magnetic field? | What mechanisms heat and accelerate the solar wind? | What are the sources of solar wind turbulence and how H does it evolve? | | | How do CMEs evolve through the corona and inner heliosphere? | | | |
| Science Product ID | 2.1.1a | 2.1.2a | | 2.1.3a | | 2.2.1a | | | |
| Derived Science Products | Global maps of H and He flow velocities and He fractions (METIS, SoloHI) | Velocities and mass density of evolving structures (SoloHI, METIS) | Link evolution of C measured in-situ | ev olution of CME properties in the corona to those sured <i>in-situ</i> (SoloHI, METIS) | | | Link evolution of CME properties in the corona to those measured <i>in-situ</i> (SoloHI, METIS) | | |
| Science Measurements | Images of coronal and heliospheric solar wind structures in visible | Height-time plot and mass measurements of solar wind features | High cadence ima structures in visib | ages of coronal and le | heliospheric | Height-time plo | Height-time plot and mass measurements of CMEs | | |
| Type and Number of Events Captured Over Baseline Science Mission | Quiescent wind for 3 days Active wind for 3 days Pseudo streamers for 3 days | Quiescent wind for 3 days Active wind for 3 days Pseudo streamers for 3 days | Density power spo 20 Rsun at the 0.2 | ectrum centered at 28 a.u. perihelion | 7 Rsun, 15 Rsun, | | ≥2 ICMEs | | |
| Type and Number of Events Captured OverThreshold Science Mission | Quiescent wind for 3 days Active wind for 3 days | Quiescent wind for 3 days Active wind for 3 days | Density power spe a.u. perihelion | ectrum centered at | 7 Rsunat the 0.28 | ≥ 1 ICME | | | |
| Required (R) or Supporting (S) Measurement | S | R | R | | | | | | |
| Observation Requirements | | | | | | | | | |
| Instrument Distance From Sun (a.u.) | 0.28 to 0.36 | 0.28 to 0.36 | 0.28 to 0.36 | | | 0.28 to 0.36 | 0.36 to 0.5 | 0.5 to 0.7 | |
| Spacecraft Solar Latitude | N/A | N/A N/A | | | | N/A | | | |
| Image Ty pe | Visible broadband | Visible broadband Visible broadband | | | | | Visible broadband | | |
| Scene Radial Coverage | 5.5 to 25° | 5.5 to 40.5° | 5.8 to 7.675° | 13.5 to 15.375° | 18.5 to 20.375° | 5.5 to 44.5° | 5.5 to 40.5° | 5.5 to 30.5° | |
| Scene Transverse Coverage | 26° | 5° | 5° | 5° | 5° | 26° | | | |
| Image Spatial Resolution | ≤ 3.0 arcmin | ≤ 2.7 arcmin | ≤ 2.3 arcmin | ≤ 2.6 arcmin | ≤ 2.6 arcmin | | ≤ 3.0 arcmin | | |
| Photometric Accuracy | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 16 | ≥16 | ≥ 16 ª ≥ 12 ^b | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 20 ³ ≥ 5 ⁴ | |
| Cadence | ≤ 30 min | ≤ 15 min | ≤ 10 sec ª ≤ 15 sec ^b | ≤1 min | ≤2 min | ≤ 30 min ^{a, 5b} ≤ 60 min ^{6b} | ≤ 40 min ⁵ ≤ 80 min ⁷ ≤ 120 min ⁸ | ≤ 40 min ⁵ ≤ 80 min ⁹ ≤ 140 min ¹⁰ | |
| Science Observation Period Per Day | 24 hrs | 24 hrs ≥4 hrs ≥4 hrs ≥4 hrs | | | 24 hrs | | | | |
| Science Observation Days Per Orbit | ≥ 14 | ≥6 | ≥ 4 | ≥4 | ≥ 4 | ≥ 14 | ≥ 12 | ≥1 | |
| Science Observation Days for Baseline Science Mission | ≥ 98 | ≥42 | 8 ª, 24 ^b | 8 ª, 24 ^b | 8 ª, 24 ^b | ≥ 98 | ≥ 92 | ≥ 16 | |
| Science Observation Daysfor Threshold Science Mission | ≥ 14 | ≥6 | 2ª, 3 ^b | 2 ª, 3 b | 2ª, 3 ^b | ≥ 14 | ≥ 14 | ≥1 | |



SoloHI Science Requirement Traceability Matrix (2 of 3)

| Science Objective | | lar transients drive heliospheric variability? | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|---|--|--|---|--|---|--|--|
| Science Question # | 2.2.2 | | | 2.2.3 | | | | | | |
| Science Question | How do CMEs contribute to solar magnetic flux and helicity balance? | | How and where do shocks form in the corona? | | | | | | | |
| Science Product ID | | 2.2.2a | | 2.2.3a 2.2 | | | 3b 2.2.3c | | 2.3c | |
| Derived Science Products | Map source regions to <i>in-situ</i> properties: magnetic connectivity, polarity and helicity (EUI, METIS, SPICE, SoloHI, SWA, MAG, EPD) | | | Timing of eruptions and coronal manifestations (EUI, SoloHI) | | Location, inte thermal/non-tl distribution of regions (Solol | nsity, hermal erupting HI, RPW) | Position and speed of shocks (SPICE, METIS, SoloHI, RPW, EUI) | | |
| Science Measurements | Height-time plot a | ndmassmeasurem | nents of CMEs | High cadence | e height-time p | lots and mass n | neasurements | of CME fronts | | |
| Type and Number of Events Captured Over Baseline Science Mission | | ≥2 ICMEs | | ≥ 2 ICME accompan | s with an lying shock | ≥2 (| CMEs | ≥ 2 ICMEs with an accompanying shock | | |
| Type and Number of Events Captured Over Threshold Science Mission | | ≥1 ICME | | | CME | ≥1 ICME | | ≥1 ICME | | |
| Required (R) or Supporting (S) Measurement | S | | | R | | S | | R | | |
| Observation Requirements | | | | | | | | | | |
| Instrument Distance From Sun (a.u.) | 0.28 to 0.36 | 0.36 to 0.5 | 0.5 to 0.7 | 0.28 to 0.36 | 0.36 to 0.5 | 0.28 to 0.36 | 0.36 to 0.5 | 0.28 to 0.36 | 0.36 to 0.5 | |
| Spacecraft Solar Latitude | | N/A | | | | | | | | |
| Image Type | Visible broadband | | | Visible broadband | | | | | | |
| Scene Radial Coverage | 5.5 to 44.5° | 5.5 to 40.5° | 5.5 to 30.5° | 5.5 to 40.5° | 5.5 to 30.5° | 5.5 to 40.5° | 5.5 to 30.5° | 5.5 to 40.5° | 5.5 to 30.5° | |
| Scene Transverse Coverage | | 5° | | | | | | | | |
| Image Spatial Resolution | ≤ 3.0 arcmin | | | ≤2.7 arcmin | | | | | | |
| Photometric Accuracy | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | $\begin{array}{c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c $ | | | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | |
| Cadence | $ \leq 30 \min^{a, 5b} \leq 40 $ $ \leq 60 \min^{6b} \leq 120 $ | | ≤ 40 min ⁵ ≤ 80 min ⁹ ≤ 140 min ¹⁰ | ≤ 6 min ^{a, 5b} ≤ 15 min ^{6b} | ≤ 6 min ⁵ ≤ 15 min ^{12c} ≤ 18 min ^{11d} | ≤6 min ^{a, 5b} ≤15 min ^{6b} | ≤ 6 min ⁵ ≤ 15 min ^{12c} ≤ 18 min ^{11d} | ≤6 min ^{a, 5b} ≤15 min ^{6b} | ≤ 6 min ⁵ ≤ 15 min ^{12c} ≤ 18 min ^{11d} | |
| Science Observation Period Per Day | 24 hrs | | | 24 hrs | ≥ 16 hrs | 24 hrs | ≥ 16 hrs | 24 hrs | ≥ 16 hrs | |
| Science Observation Days Per Orbit | ≥ 14 | ≥ 12 | ≥ 1 | ≥ 6 | ≥ 1 | ≥6 | ≥ 1 | ≥6 | ≥ 1 | |
| Science Observation Days for Baseline Science Mission | ≥ 98 | ≥ 92 | ≥ 16 | ≥42 | ≥ 13 | ≥ 42 | ≥ 13 | ≥42 | ≥ 13 | |
| Science Observation Daysfor Threshold Science Mission | ≥ 14 | ≥ 14 | ≥ 1 | ≥ 6 | ≥1 | ≥6 | ≥ 1 | ≥ 6 | ≥ 1 | |



SoloHI Science Requirement Traceability Matrix (3 of 3)

| Science Objective | 2.3 How do solar eruptions produce energetic particle radiation that fills the heliosphere? | | | | | 2.4 How does the solar dynamo work and drive connections between the Sun and the heliosphere? | | | | | | |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|--|---|---|---|--|--|---------------------------------------|---|--|--------------|
| Science Question # | 2.3.1 | | | | | | 2.4 | 1.1 | 2.4.2 | | 2.4.3 | |
| Science Question | How and where are energetic particles accelerated at the Sun? | | | | | What is the three-dimensional structure and extent of streamers and CMEs? How are variations in the sc wind linked to the Sun at all latitudes? | | | s in the solar Sun at all | What are the sources and properties of dust in the inner heliosphere, and do Sun-grazing comets contribute to this dust? | | |
| Science Product ID | 2.3 | .1a | 2.3 | .1b | 2.3 | .1c | 2.4.G1a 2.4.G2a | | | 2.4.G3a | | |
| Derived Science Products | UV and X-ray imaging of loops, flares, and CMEs (EUI, SPICE, STIX, METIS, SoloHI) Location, timing, and motion of CMEs and shocks (EUI, SoloHI) STIX) | | | Images of longitudinal extent of CMEs in visible, UV, and hard X- rays (SoloHI, METIS, EUI, SPICE, STIX) METIS, EUI, SPICE, Streamers and CMEs at all latitudes (SoloHI, METIS*) (? | | Observe morphology and dynamics of boundaries between streamers and coronal holes (SoloHI, EUI*, METIS*) | | Measure F-corona brightness, morphology, and variability as a function of ecliptic latitude (SoloHI) | | | | |
| Science Measurements | High cadence hei | ght-time plots and | d mass measureme | ents of CME front | S | | Images of coronal solar wind structure | and heliopheric res in visible | Images of corona solar wind structu | l and heliospheric res in visible | ^C Images of coronal dust in visible | |
| Type and Number of Events Captured Over Baseline Science Mission | ≥ 2 IC | CMEs | ≥ 2 ICMEs ≥ 2 ICMEs | | Quiescent, active wind and pseudo streamers for 2 days ≥ 1 CME at each latitudinal extreme | | Quiescent, active wind and pseudo streamers for 2 days at each latitudinal extreme | | ≥ 1 Sun-grazing comet with a tail | | | |
| Type and Number of Events Captured Over Threshold Science Mission | ≥ 1 10 | CME | ≥ 1 10 | ≥ 1 ICME ≥ 1 ICME | | N/A | | N/A | | N/A | | |
| Required (R) or Supporting (S) Measurement | S | 3 | R R | | | R | | R | | R | | |
| Observation Requirements | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Instrument Distance From Sun (a.u.) | 0.28 to 0.36 | 0.36 to 0.5 | 0.28 to 0.36 | 0.36 to 0.5 | 0.28 to 0.36 | 0.36 to 0.5 | 0.36 to 0.50 | 0.5 to 0.70 | 0.36 to 0.50 | 0.5 to 0.70 | 0.36 to 0.50 | 0.5 to 0.70 |
| Spacecraft Solar Latitude | | | N | /A | | | ≥ 15º | ≤ -15° | ≥ 15º | ≤ -15° | ≥ 15º | ≤ -15° |
| Image Type | | | Visible b | roadband | | | Visible b | roadband | Visible broadband | | Visible broadband | |
| Scene Radial Coverage | 5.5 to 40.5° | 5.5 to 30.5° | 5.5 to 40.5° | 5.5 to 30.5° | 5.5 to 40.5° | 5.5 to 30.5° | 5.5 to 40.5° | 5.5 to 30.5° | 5.5 to 40.5° | 5.5 to 30.5° | 5.5 to 40.5° | 5.5 to 30.5° |
| Scene Transverse Coverage | | | | 50 | | | 2 | ô° | 26° | | 26° | |
| Image Spatial Resolution | | | ≤ 2.7 | arcmin | | | ≤ 3.0 arcmin | | ≤ 3.0 arcmin | | ≤ 6.0 arcmin | |
| Photometric Accuracy | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 20 ³ ≥ 5 ⁴ | ≥ 20 ¹ ≥ 5 ² | ≥ 20 ³ ≥ 5 ⁴ | ≥∶ | 20 |
| Cadence | ≤ 30 | min | ≤ 6 min ^{a, 5b} ≤ 15 min ^{6b} | ≤ 6 min ⁵ ≤ 15 min ^{12c} ≤ 18 min ^{11d} | ≤ 30 min | | ≤ 40 min ⁵ ≤ 80 min 7 ≤ 120 min ⁸ | ≤ 40 min ⁵ ≤ 80 min ⁹ ≤ 140 min ¹⁰ | ≤ 120 min | ≤ 120 min ^{5,9} ≤ 150 min ¹⁰ | ≤ 120 |) min |
| Science Observation Period Per Day | 24 hrs | ≥ 16 hrs | 24 hrs | ≥ 16 hrs | 24 hrs ≥ 16 hrs | | 24 | hrs | 24 | hrs | 24 | hrs |
| Science Observation Days Per Orbit | ≥ 6 | ≥ 1 | ≥ 6 | ≥ 1 | ≥ 6 | ≥ 1 | ≥ 4 | ≥ 4 | ≥ 4 | ≥ 4 | ≥ 4 | ≥ 4 |
| Science Observation Days for Baseline Science Mission | ≥ 42 | ≥ 13 | ≥ 42 | ≥ 13 | ≥ 42 | ≥ 13 | ≥ 12 | ≥ 12 | ≥ 12 | ≥ 12 | ≥ 12 | ≥ 12 |
| Science Observation Days for Threshold Science Mission | ≥ 6 | ≥ 1 | ≥ 6 | ≥ 1 | ≥ 6 | ≥ 1 | ≥ 2 | ≥ 2 | ≥ 2 | ≥ 2 | ≥ 2 | ≥ 2 |

* Science data products from other Solar Orbiter instruments will address the science question better, but is not required



- SoloHI Will Image
 - The Solar Wind Structures and Fluctuations Directly.
 - The Solar Wind Environment Around Planets and Other Missions.
 - CME and Shock Propagation and Evolution and Their Connection to the Site of Production of SEPs.
- SoloHI Will Measure Electron Density Turbulence
 - Fast Cadence Readout Mode To Generate Power Spectral Density to Compare to In-Situ Observations of Density and Magnetic Field Spectral Density.
- SoloHI Provides The Links Between the
 - Solar Orbiter Remote Sensing and in-situ Instruments.
 - Solar Orbiter and Solar Probe+ Missions.



$B_{obs} = K + F + E + G + P + S$

Where:

- K = Photospheric Light Thomson Scattered from Free Electrons
- F = Photospheric Light Scattered from Dust
- E = Emission Line from the Plasma usually zero in SoloHI
- G = Galactic and Stellar Emissions useful for calibration
- P = Planets and Comets
- S = Stray light



Thomson Scattering Geometry

An electron scatters photons such that the electric vector lies in a plane perpendicular to the incident photon.

At a constant distance from the source, the intensity at 90° to the observer will be $\frac{1}{2}$ the intensity observed directly on the plane.





Scattering Plane



The intensity of the tangential component:

$$I_t = I_o \frac{N_e \pi \sigma}{2} [(1-u)C + uD]$$

The intensity of the tangential - radial component (pB):

A, B, C, and D are the "Van de Hulst Coefficients" U is the limb darkening coefficient σ is the electron scattering cross section χ is an angle lo is the mean brightness of the solar disk Ne is the electron density



The intensity of the tangential component:

$$I_t = I_o \frac{N_e \pi \sigma}{2} [(1-u)C + uD]$$

The intensity of the tangential - radial component (pB): $I_t - I_r = I_o \frac{N_e \pi \sigma}{2} sin^2 \chi[(1-u)A + uB]$

The only variable is Ne – the volume electron density distribution along the line of sight



The intensity of the tangential component:

$$I_t = I_o \frac{N_e \pi \sigma}{2} [(1-u)C + uD]$$

The intensity of the tangential - radial component (pB): $I_t - I_r = I_o \frac{N_e \pi \sigma}{2} sin^2 \chi[(1-u)A + uB]$

But also I_0 has been assumed to be a constant, but in fact varies as the Total Solar Irradiance.



Scene Brightnesses and Stray Light Requirements





SoloHI Observing FOVs During 0.28 AU Perihelion



- Simulation of a SoloHI Observing Program During 0.28 AU Perihelion Passage Using a STEREO/SECCHI Composite
- Full-Frame (Large Circle), Shock Formation (Rectangular Box), and • Turbulence Subframes (3 Small Boxes)



- Reduction of Stray Light
 - The usual reduction of diffracted light from the Sun
 - The reflected light from the solar array which is directly behind SoloHI
- Low Mass and Power
 - Development of a low mass/power camera
 - Use an APS/CMOS detector rather than CCD detector reduces the mass from ~6 kg to 1 kg
 - Minimizing mass was inconsistent with the high loads that the instrument would experience
- Low electromagnetic emissions
 - To be compatible with the MAG & RPW sensors



- There are 3 types of baffles:
 - Forward Baffles to reject the solar disk illumination
 - Interior Baffles to reject reflections from the solar array bright celestial/heliospheric reflections
 - Peripheral Baffles to reject reflections from spacecraft



Solar Array Panel

SoloHI



- The SL Suppression Concept Is Built Upon the Many Successful White Light Coronagraphs (e.g., SOHO/LASCO) and the Heliospheric Imager (HI) Component of SECCHI on the STEREO Mission.
- Forward Baffles of Heliospheric Imagers achieve 9-10 orders of solar disk rejection by using multiple edges.
- Performance measured for STEREO H1/H2 matches theory.
- SoloHI uses the edge of the SolO Heat Shield as the first baffle





- A significant source of stray light is the diffuse, reflected sunlight from the solar array which is behind the instrument and is reflecting onto the backs (anti-sunward side) of the baffles.
 - The figures to the right show the front and side views of the array and the SoloHI instrument
- To minimize the impact of reflected light from the solar array reaching the entrance aperture, the coatings of each of the baffles are individually specified to either be a reflective or diffuse scatterer.
 - The interior baffles are slanted backward to intercept the reflected light from the solar array, such that the lens does not look at a baffle that is directly illuminated by the solar array





Optical Design





Spot Diagram



| | RMS |
|---|--------|
| # | spot |
| | [mm] |
| 1 | 0.0213 |
| 2 | 0.0204 |
| 3 | 0.0189 |
| 4 | 0.0196 |
| 5 | 0.0214 |
| 6 | 0.0225 |

RMS spot diameter in nominal conditions.



Spot Size vs Temperature



Structural Model of Quad-Tiled APS in Flight Package





APS Pixel Design



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Electronics Block Diagram





SoloHI Will Lead to Unique Science

- The Varying Heliocentric Distance Transforms SoloHI From a Remote (at Aphelia) to a Local (at Perihelia) Imager
- SoloHI Is the First Imager to Provide Density Power Spectra at Rates Similar to in-situ Instruments (~1min) but at Multiple Locations at Once
- SoloHI Is the Only Instrument to Image Shocks and Connect the SEP Sources to the in-situ Measurements
- SoloHI Will Provide the First Measurements of the Dust 3D Distribution in the Inner Heliosphere
- SoloHI Only Possibility for Flyby Studies of Sungrazing Comets





Baseline Observing Programs for <u>Perihelion</u> Period

| | Perihelion Region | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|--|----------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------|--|
| Observing Program ID | A1.1 | A1.2 | B1.1 | B1.2 | B1.3 | C1.1 | C1.2 | |
| Program Description | Synoptic | | | Wave Turbulenc | Shock Formation | | | |
| Image Type | Full F | rame | | Inner FOV Subfra | Radial Swath Subframe | | | |
| Radial FOV | [5°, 25°] | [5°, 25°] [25°, 45°] [5.80°, 7.68°] [13.5°, 15.375°] | | [18.5°, 20.375°] | [5°, 25°] | [25°, 45°] | | |
| Transverse FOV | 40 |)° | | 5° | | 5° | | |
| Binning | 2 x | 2x2 1x1 2x2 | | | 2 x 2 | 2 > | : 2 | |
| Image Size w/Binning | 1024 x 2048 | 1024 x 2048 | 192 x 512 | 96 x 256 | 96 x 256 | 1024 x 256 | 1024 x 256 | |
| Maximum # of Images | 4 | 32 | 8 | 12 | 16 | 4 | 32 | |
| in Summed Image | | | | | | | | |
| Compression Type | H-Compress Rice | | H-Compress | Rice Rice | | H-Compress Rice | | |
| Compressed Image Size (MB) | 1.3 | 3.0 | 0.06 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.16 | 0.37 | |
| Image Cadence | 30.0 min | | 0.13 min 0.77 min 1.54 min | | 1.54 min | 5.54 min | | |
| Images per Day | 48 | | 1872 312 156 | | 260 | | | |
| Observing Period per Day | 24 | hrs | | 4 hrs each | 24 hrs | | | |
| Observing Days per Orbit | 4 | ŀ | 2 | | | | 2 | |



Interpreting Heliospheric Images

Case studies of Streamer Blobs and Corotating Interaction Regions



- The combination of coronal rotation, the solar wind outflow and the optically thin nature of the scattering, makes the interpretation of the heliospheric images challenging.
- We found that the construction of J-Maps facilitate the tracking of features from the sun to earth.
- The middle plot is a track of density blobs moving at 330 km/s and rotating with the solar rotation (.233 rad/day). The top & bottom plots are observations from SECCHI exactly matching those plots.





Example of the utility of J-Maps in Tracking Streamer Blobs

- The figures in the top 2 rows to the right show several streamer blobs, indicated by the white and black arrows.
- It isn't obvious from the images whether they are the same structure.
- The bottom J-Map drawn at a Position Angle of 91° shows the height-time tracks. The white and black arrows point to the two tracks. It is clear that these are two separate structures, which merge (in projection) onto the same track.





A Track of a Co-rotating Interaction Region

 Direct images and corresponding track of a streamer blob being swept up in the compressed region ahead of a high speed stream, forming the CIR





What is a "Streamer"



- In 2004 a very stable high-latitude streamer was observed from SOHO. An analysis (Thernisien & Howard, ApJ 2006) was able to determine the 3D density distribution along the axis (in longitude).
- The two figures on the right are showing the "same" streamer first seen edge-on at the limb and then seen face-on over the pole as the region was transiting behind the sun.
- The edge-on view defined the width of the streamer and used in the faceon view to define the depth.



Position Angle [Deg.]



Synoptic Maps (July, 2004)





Modeling a Coronal Mass Ejection





Wood et al, 2013)

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Observations of the Dust Corona (F-Corona)



- SoloHI will observe the near-Sun dust environment i.e. the F-corona from 0.28AU.
- As dust particles get close to the Sun they will evaporate and then not contribute to the scattering. The radial distance of this evaporation depends on the material composition
- A dust free zone at about 4-5 Rsun has been postulated (Russell, 1929), but has never been observed.

Questions:

- What will the background F-Corona look like from SoloHI
- What inferences might we be able to make about the nearsun dust environment.





Even at $\varepsilon = 1^{\circ}$, 90% of the emission isn't achieved until about 0.2-0.3 AU from the sun. At $\varepsilon = 20^{\circ}$ the contribution is almost linear from the sun to 1 AU.



Depth Contribution for SoloHI at Perihelion



K and F corona depth contribution.

Left panel: no dust free zone.

Right panel: onion layer dust free zone starting at 15 R_{sun}.



Onion Layers Dust Free Model, SoloHI FOV, from 0.28 AU





Sublimation Zones For Different Materials

| Sphere | Fluffy | Ref. |
|-------------------------------|--|---|
| 1.5−4 <i>R</i> ⊙ | _ | 1,2,3 |
| 1.9–7 R_{\odot} | 2.5–3 R_{\odot} | 4,5,6,7,8,9,10 |
| 2.9–6 R_{\odot} | _ | 5,8 |
| $4 R_{\odot}$ | $4 R_{\odot}$ | 9,10 |
| $\leq 5 \ R_{\odot}$ | $\leq 2 R_{\odot}$ | 2,5,7,8,11 |
| $5 R_{\odot}$ | $5 R_{\odot}$ | 12 |
| 5.5–6.5 R_{\odot} | 5–6.5 R_{\odot} | 12 |
| $6 R_{\odot}$ | — | 8 |
| 9–10.5 R_{\odot} | _ | 3,4,11 |
| $10 R_{\odot}$ | 9.5−11 <i>R</i> _☉ | 12 |
| 13.5–15.5 R_{\odot} | 12–15 R_{\odot} | 12 |
| 14 R_{\odot} | _ | 8 |
| 11−24.3 <i>R</i> _☉ | _ | 3,4 |
| 10–40 R_{\odot} | — | 6 |
| 1–2.8 AU | | 2,3,6 |
| | Sphere $1.5-4 R_{\odot}$ $1.9-7 R_{\odot}$ $2.9-6 R_{\odot}$ $4 R_{\odot}$ $\leq 5 R_{\odot}$ $5 R_{\odot}$ $5.5-6.5 R_{\odot}$ $6 R_{\odot}$ $9-10.5 R_{\odot}$ $10 R_{\odot}$ $13.5-15.5 R_{\odot}$ $14 R_{\odot}$ $11-24.3 R_{\odot}$ $10-40 R_{\odot}$ 1-2.8 AU | SphereFluffy $1.5-4 R_{\odot}$ $1.9-7 R_{\odot}$ $2.5-3 R_{\odot}$ $2.9-6 R_{\odot}$ $4 R_{\odot}$ $4 R_{\odot}$ $\leq 5 R_{\odot}$ $\leq 2 R_{\odot}$ $5 R_{\odot}$ $5 R_{\odot}$ $5.5-6.5 R_{\odot}$ $5-6.5 R_{\odot}$ $6 R_{\odot}$ $9-10.5 R_{\odot}$ $10 R_{\odot}$ $9.5-11 R_{\odot}$ $13.5-15.5 R_{\odot}$ $12-15 R_{\odot}$ $14 R_{\odot}$ $11-24.3 R_{\odot}$ $10-40 R_{\odot}$ $1-2.8 AU$ |

References. — (1) Over (1958); (2) Mukai and Mukai (1973); (3) Lamy (1974b); (4) Lamy (1974a); (5) Mukai and Yamamoto (1979); (6) Mukai and Schwehm (1981); (7) Mann *et al.* (1994); (8) Shestakova and Tambovtseva (1995); (9) Kimura, Ishimoto, and Mukai (1997); (10) Krivov, Kimura, and Mann (1998); (11) Mukai *et al.* (1974); (12) Kimura *et al.* (2002).

Mann et al (2004)



- SoloHI is poised to contribute to the exciting Solar Orbiter science observations and analyses
- We all depend on the next generation(s) of scientists
- With the Solar Orbiter mission joining SOHO, SDO, STEREO, SPP, BEPI-COLUMBO, Messenger and other interplanetary missions, we are in a "golden-age" of solar observations – these observations are necessary to provide the validation of the various models.
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