

SCRIPTS FOR SOLAR ACTIVE REGIONS MAGNETIC FIELD ANALYSIS



Active Regions Dynamics Analysis Pipeline



Step 1. Getting the data for the Period

Add your JSOC_EMAIL to the ENV in bash:

```
export JSOC_EMAIL="your@email.com"
```

Modify parameters like analysis time & download dir in the script

```
python magnetic/jsoc_query.py
```

Then run it in a `screen` interface. SDO/HMI 720s files will be downloaded in the `output_dir`.

When at least a part of files downloaded, run this script again to prepare `txt` files, which are necessary for IDL.

Step 2. Manually setting parameters of analysis with IDL

Create a project in IDL from `mmc` folder of this repo and compile it.

All following scripts are related to `mmc/vmf` subdir.

Select a region for analysis

This steps should be done for the First and Last moments in time: for at least two `EVENT_TIME`'s.

`prepare_hmi`, `DATA_DIR`, `EVENT_TIME`, `REFERENCE_TIME`, `SAVE_ALL_DIR`

where

`DATA_DIR` -- a folder with downloaded SDO/HMI data;

`EVENT_TIME` -- an observation time in format `20170903_090000_TAI`;

`REFERENCE_TIME` -- time of the first observation in the same format;

`SAVE_ALL_DIR` -- output directory, where all data will be stored.



Fix the observed center of the Sun

```
;FIND CENTER HERE
dx0 = 0.5*(956.5 - 949.5)
dy0 = 0.5*(950.0 - 953.0)
```

via plotting in ranges `dx`, `dy` and vice-versa `~ +/- (940 -- 960)` and `~ (-10 -- 10)`.

```
; DRAW A SUBREGION HERE. USED FOR SOLAR LIMB COORDINATES FINDING
sub_map, mapbz, smapbz, xrange=[ -250, 50.0], yrange=[ -400, -100.0]
```

After all you also should select a region of analysis here.

Look at the vector fields directions

```
plot_vmap,/over, smapbx, smapby, mapbz=smapbz, limit=180, scale=0.012, iskip=15, j
skip=15,$
  v_color=255, axis_color=0,/Nolabels, v_thick=2.0 ;,/No_arrow_head
;,/Noaxis
```

Differential rotation will apply automatically if **EVENT_TIME** differs from **REFERENCE_TIME**


```
IF (REFERENCE_TIME NE EVENT_TIME) THEN BEGIN
; Load smapbz from sav file
restore, SAVE_ALL_DIR + '/' + REFERENCE_TIME + '/bxyz_submap.sav',/ver
mapbz = drot_map(mapbz, time=smapbz.time)
```

Building map projection

In IDL command line run

proj, IN_DIR

Where IN_DIR is **SAVE_ALL_DIR/REFERENCE_TIME**.

If projected map doesn't satisfy, you could go to the first step, to re-select the Region-of-interest. You also should  delete the file **cmd_lat.sav** inside **IN_DIR**.

? *Should I use **cmd_lat.sav** from the **REFERENCE (initial) TIME** moment, picked from the beginning of analysis, for other time moments? Because, for some moments in time, a size of data may be different. For example, at 9AM [576, 480] at 10AM with newly evaluated, but same coords range, may become [577, 480]. What could be the reason for such behaviour? Should I recalculate the center of the sun every hour?*

Choosing a region for analysis with respect to projection effects

In IDL command line:

plot_submap_m, IN_DIR

IN_DIR is picked from previous step.

ROI selection

```
restore, IN_DIR+'mapbxyz_m.sav',/ver
xrange = [-244., 44]
yrange = [-395., -155.5]
res = [0.5, 0.5]
```

? *In some future moments in time, since **REFERENCE (initial) TIME**, a size of data may be different. For example, at 9AM [*576*, 480] at 10AM with newly evaluated, but same coords range, may become [*577*, 480]. What could be the reason for such behaviour? Should I recalculate the center of the sun every hour? Not only rely on the reference time **SOLAR_CENTER** estimation? Am I correct that I should*

keep the xrange and yrange the same (taking drot in account), for all the period of analysis [3 days]? But I also need to control the SUN_CENTER on the step1 for every time in the period?

✖️⚠️ The shape of output data should be a multiple of a good number like 16, 32,...

```
; CHECK HERE THE SHAPE OF DATA. IT SHOULD BE MULTIPLE OF A GOOD NUMBER * 4
; Select the RANGE in the begin of file.
help, smapbz.data
```

Preprocessing data for a Force-Free extrapolation

In IDL run `pro creb_lv3_, IN_DIR`

This script will create a level3_data (smoothed over 4x4 kernel) which will be used for a simulation.

⚠️ This step may fail if data_size cannot be divided by 4.

Preparing boundary conditions for extrapolation in MPI-AMRVAC

In IDL run `read_boundary, IN_DIR, amrvac_file, amrvac_file_nlfff`

This script prepares binaries for `lfff` and `nlfff` for reading in MPI-AMRVAC.

✖️ Carefully set the parameters in the beginning of file:

```
;=====
; Parameter needed to be set for your own case
;=====
nx = 144                ; x-size of the preprocessed magnetic field
ny = 120                ; y-size
arcsec2cm=7.29809e7; 2825e7      ; 1 arcsec in cm
xc=-100.23546*arcsec2cm ; x-coordinate of the center of the field of view
yc=-275.35374*arcsec2cm ; y-coordinate of the center
dx=4.0*0.50d*arcsec2cm ; x spatial resolution of the preprocessed magnetic
field
dy=dx                  ; y spatial resolution
;=====
```

`xc, yc` could be found from the output of `help, smapbz` from previous step. `arcsec2cm` could be calculated from the known solar radius `6.9634e10 cm` & a radius in arcsec from the step 1:

$(|x_l| + |x_r|)/2$. `nx, ny` is also the output shape of `help, smapbz` divided by 4.

i This script will update the amrvac files, stored in `mmc/vmf/potential`, `mmc/vmf/nlfff` with x, y, z - ranges. You should **manually update** `nblocks` for parallelization in `.par` files.

Step 3. Data preparation pipeline for the whole timerange

Automated boundary conditions creation with selected parameters from Step 2.

Run in IDL

`mmc/vmf/magnetic_preparation_pipeline.pro`

 Setup folders

```
; pro magnetic_preparation_pipeline
; ----- inputs -----
DATA_DIR = '/home/sunshine/repos/MagneticRoutines/downloads'
OUT_DIR = '/home/sunshine/data/event_20170906'
REFERENCE_TIME = '20170903_090000_TAI'


AMRVAC_FILE_POT =
'/home/sunshine/repos/MagneticRoutines/mmc/vmf/potential/amrvac.par'
AMRVAC_FILE_NLFFF =
'/home/sunshine/repos/MagneticRoutines/mmc/vmf/nlfff/amrvac.par'
; ----- end inputs -----
```

`DATA_DIR` is picked from python script from the Step 1.

 **Pipeline fails at 9:48, 4th timestep. Because DATA becomes of shape [577, 480]. This issue is related to previous questions**

DAVE4VM velocity calculation for each timestep

Run in IDL `mmc/idl_dave4vm/velocity_preparation.pro`

 Setup directories

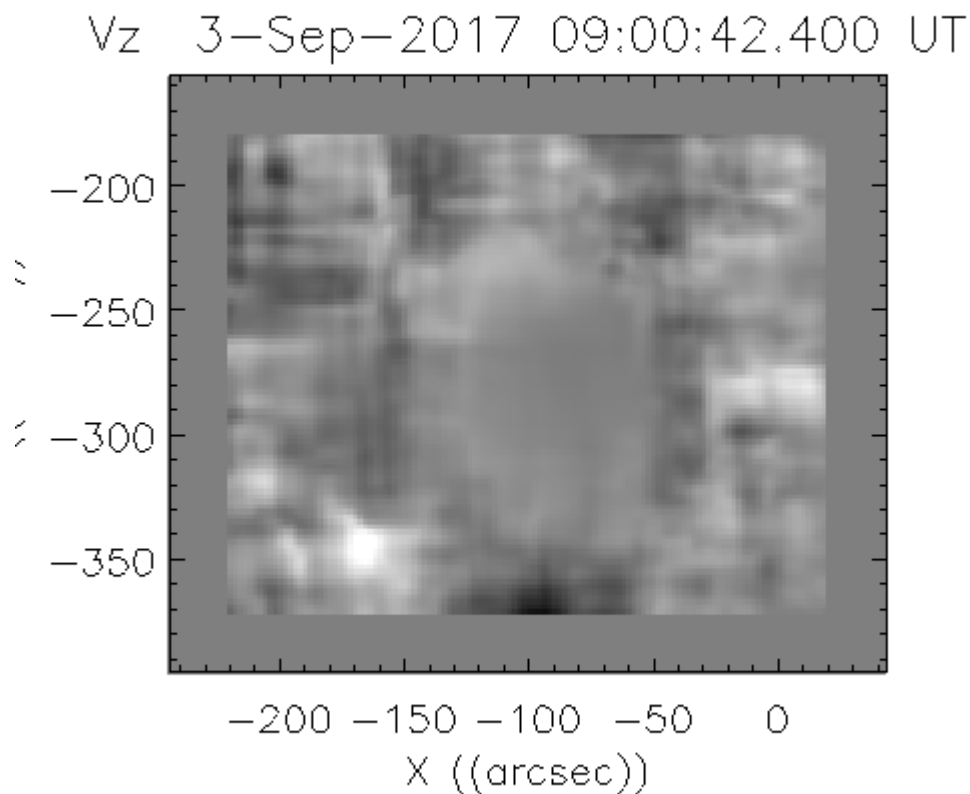
```
; pro velocity_preparation
; ----- inputs -----
DATA_DIR = '/home/sunshine/repos/MagneticRoutines/downloads'
OUT_DIR = '/home/sunshine/data/event_20170906'
;;;;; !!!!!!!!!!!!!!! SET WINDOWSIZE
window_size = 25
; ----- end inputs -----
```

The plasma velocity will be stored in

`OUT_DIR/<EVENT_TIME>/level3_data/velocity_boundary.dat`

 **Am I correct that I use a magnetic field from `/level3_data/allboundaries.dat` files for velocity estimation with a DAVE4VM algorithm?**

 **I observe `NaNs` near the borders of calculated region, which are proportional to the window size. Should I increase the size of Region-of-Interest? Currently I substitute `NaNs` with `0s`. See image below.**



? **Should I convert *velocity_boundary.dat* to a binary file for MPI-AMRVAC?**

✓ Result of data preparation pipeline could be found here: [assets/data](#).

Step 4. Potential & NLFFF Extrapolation in MPI-AMRVAC

In every Potential subdir like [20170903_090000_TAI/level3_data/extrapolation/potential](#) setup MPI-AMRVAC:

```
setup.pl -d=3 -arch=default
make -j 16
mpirun -np 192 ./amrvac -i amrvac.par
```

Then in every subdir for NLFFF with Magnetofriction method, run the same sequence.

⚠ If having issues run

```
make clean
```

If nblocks numbers are not good, update them as well.

☀️ ? ☀️ Further steps ☀️ ? ☀️

✅ Generally, I've completed preparation and downloading of data. I can reconstruct the B-field for every moment in time with MPI-AMRVAC (potential field requires seconds, nlfff requires ~40 minutes). I also can obtain a velocity of plasma on the bottom boundary with an adaptation of DAVE4VM. ⚠️ Some issues for a long time range analysis remain (see above). I believe that they are related a careful RoI choice & Sun center corrections.

? ***Which next steps should I do to reproduce your paper [Data-driven Modeling of a Coronal Magnetic Flux Rope: From Birth to Death](#)?***

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