

2D Solar Wind Propagation for HELIO

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Goals

- Use **in situ** solar wind data to estimate **properties** of heliosphere in the **ecliptic plane**
See: Usmanov et al., 2000
- Use **multiple** spacecraft to analyse **HSSW** streams and **ICMEs** out to 1 AU (OMNI, STA, STB)
See: Opitz et al., 2009 & 2010
- Use **OMNI** and **Pioneer 10** data to analyse events at **Jupiter**
See: Prangé et al., 2004

Method

SHILLELAgh: Solarwind-Heliospheric Imaging in Latitude and Longitude by Estimating Large-scale Attributes



Propagate **in situ** data from one or more spacecraft to a grid of points in **ecliptic plane**

Assumptions:

- Solar wind propagates perfectly **radially** in the **ecliptic plane**
- **Corona is static**

Method

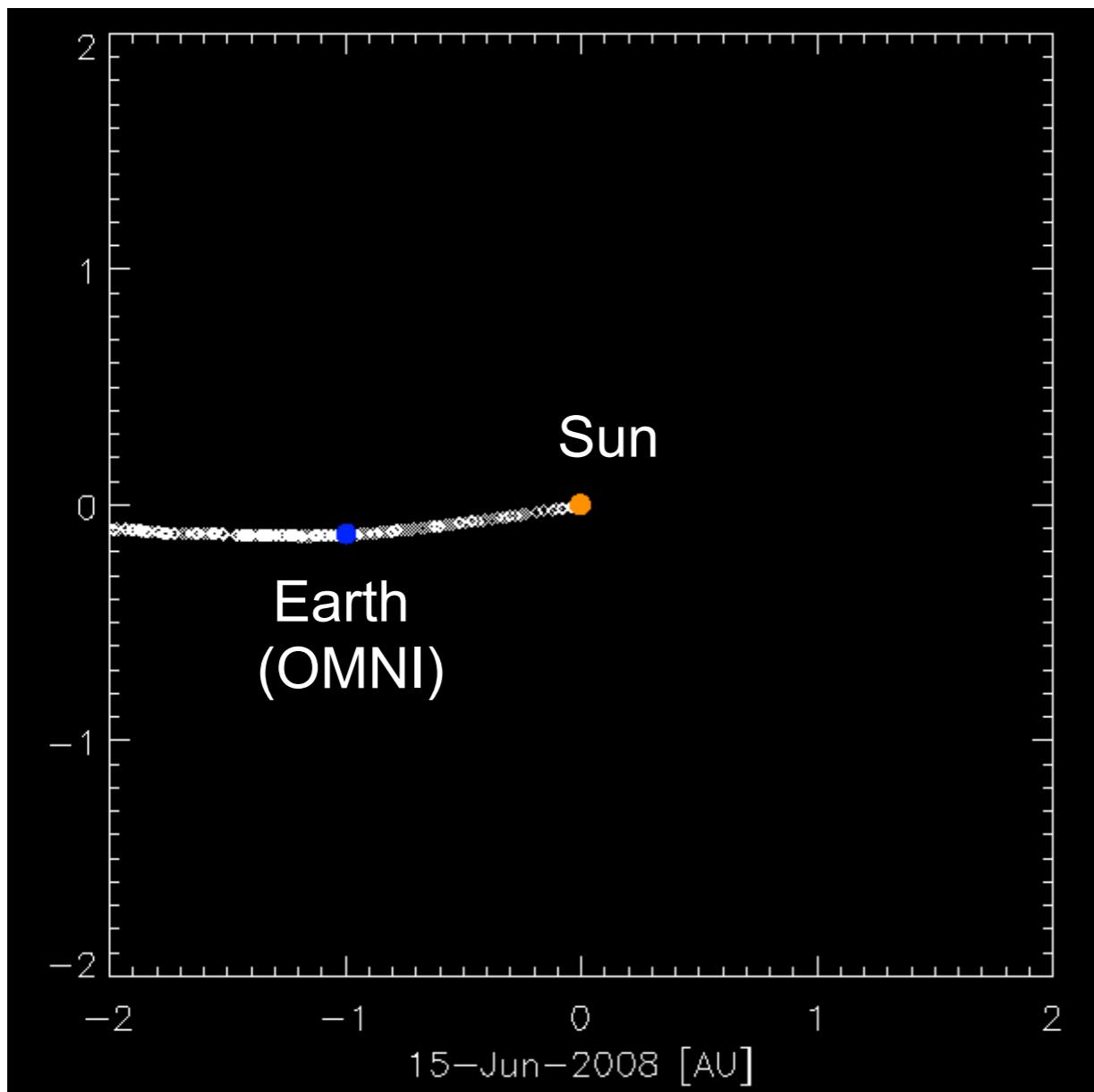
1. Radially propagate in situ data
(assume perfectly radial wind)

$$R_{\text{pt}} = R_{\text{sc}} + v_{\text{pt}}(t_{\text{now}} - t_{\text{pt}}) \quad R_{\text{sc}} = \text{radius of spacecraft}$$

t_{now} = "current" time for map

t_{pt} = time data point was recorded

v_{pt} = solar wind speed

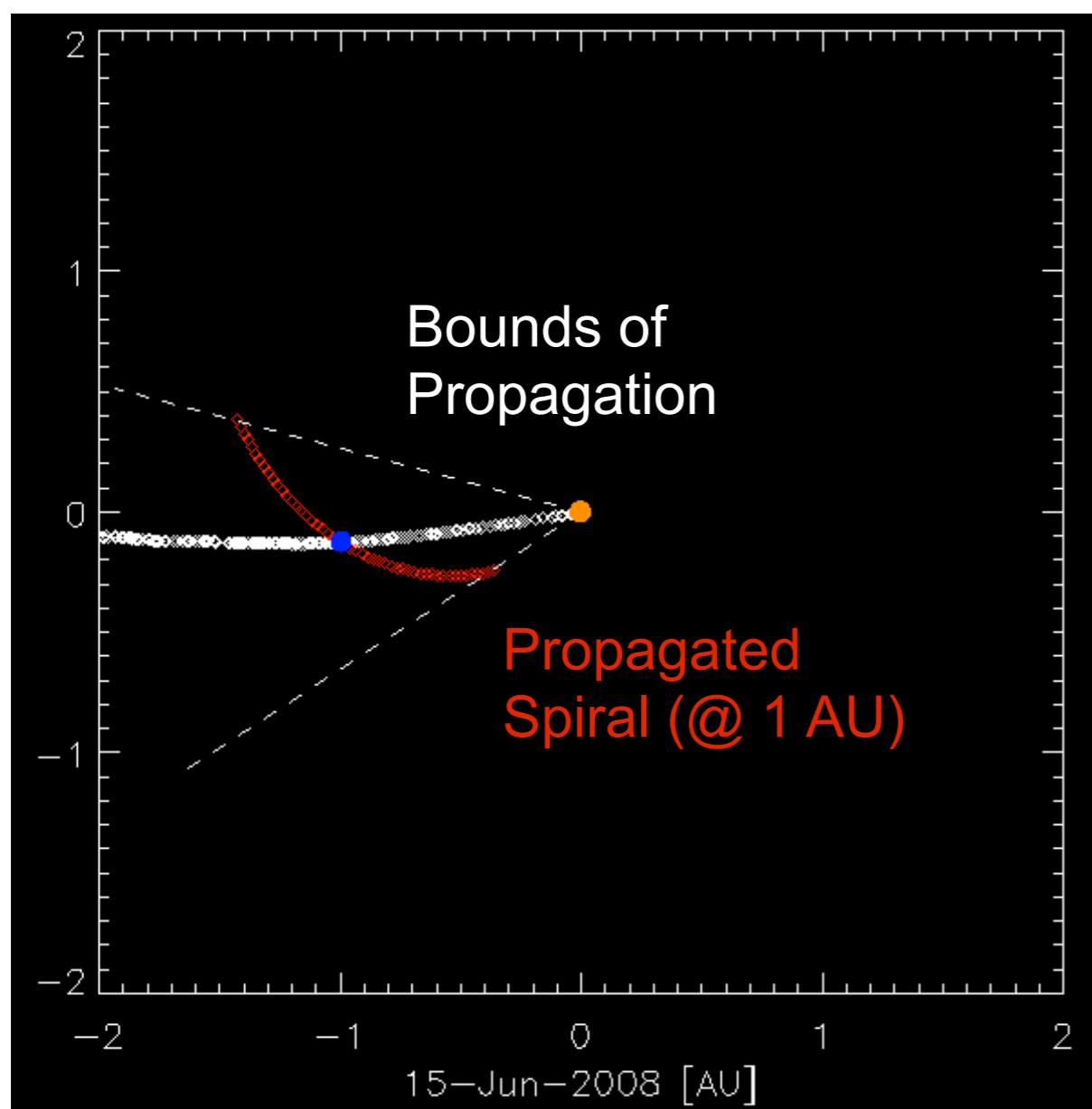


(Line is curved due to
spacecraft motion)

Method

2. Propagate each data point **along the spiral** passing through it (assume static corona)

$$R(\theta) = R_{\text{pt}} - v_{\text{pt}}(\phi - \phi_{\text{pt}})/\omega_{\odot}$$

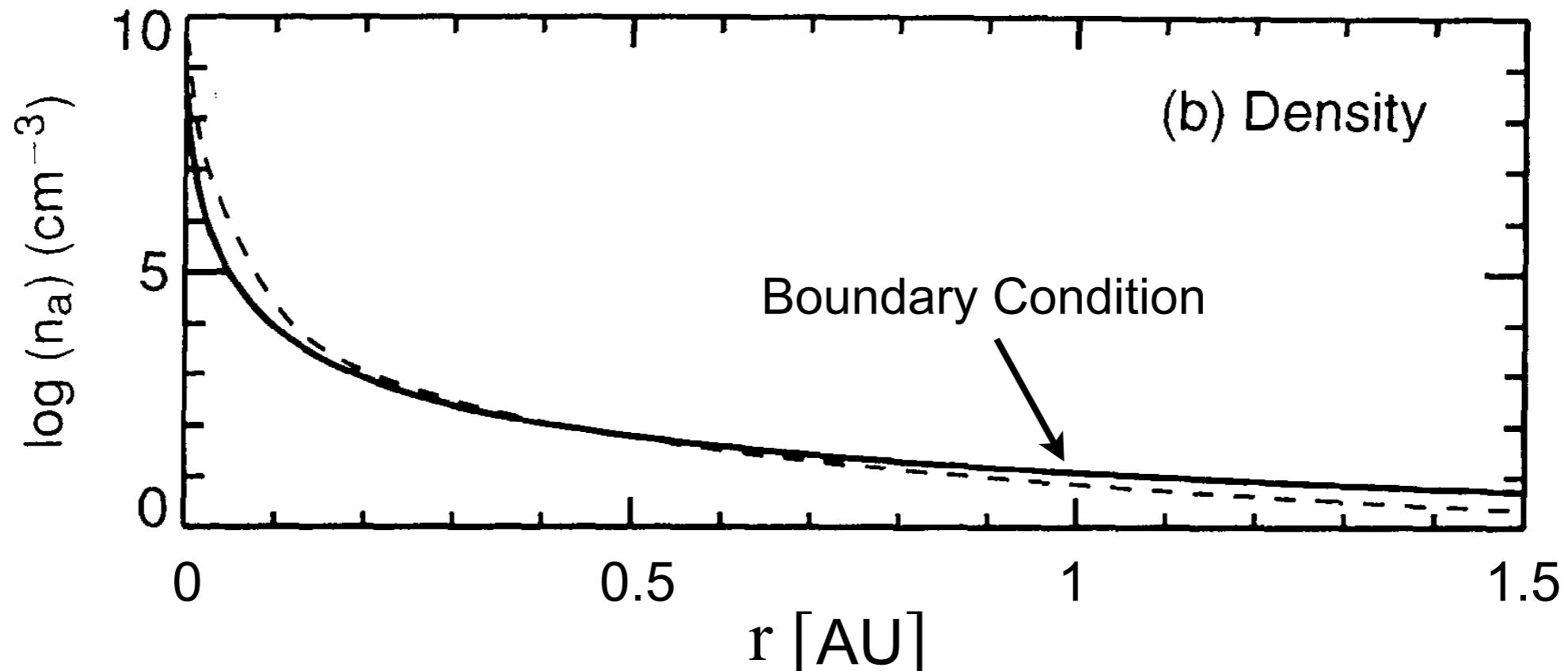


R_{pt} = radius of data point
 ϕ = Longitude of spiral
 ϕ_{pt} = Longitude of data point
 v_{pt} = radial speed of data point
 ω_{\odot} = solar angular rot. speed (equator)

Method

3. Optionally assume model for radial dependence of properties (i.e. density, magnetic field, temperature)

Example: Chen, 1996

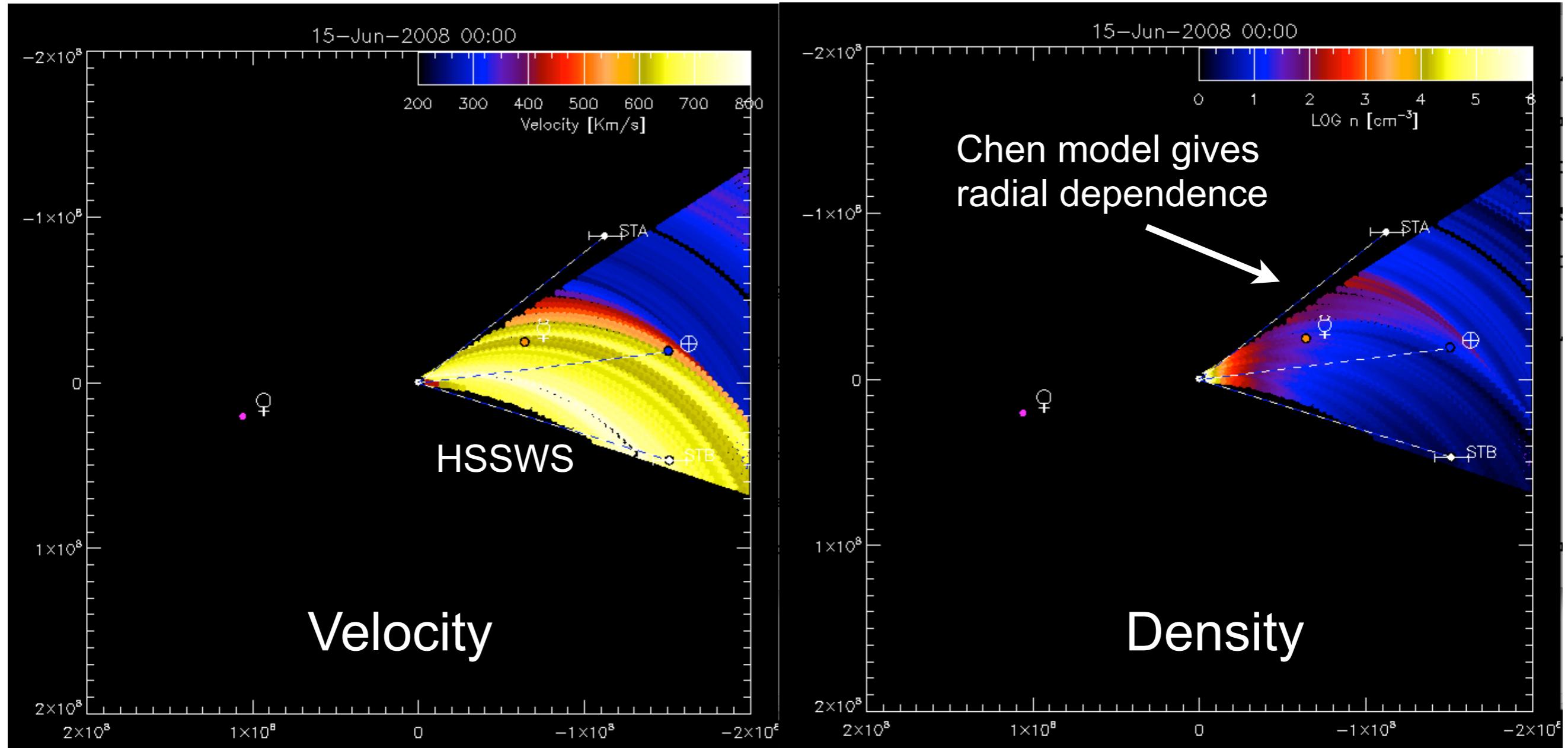


$$\text{Chen density: } f(R) = 4(3R^{-12} + R^{-4}) \times 10^8 + 3.5 \times 10^5 R^{-2}$$

$$\text{Our model: } n(R) = n'(R) \left(\frac{f(R)}{f(R_{sc})} \right) \quad n'(R) = \text{in situ values}$$

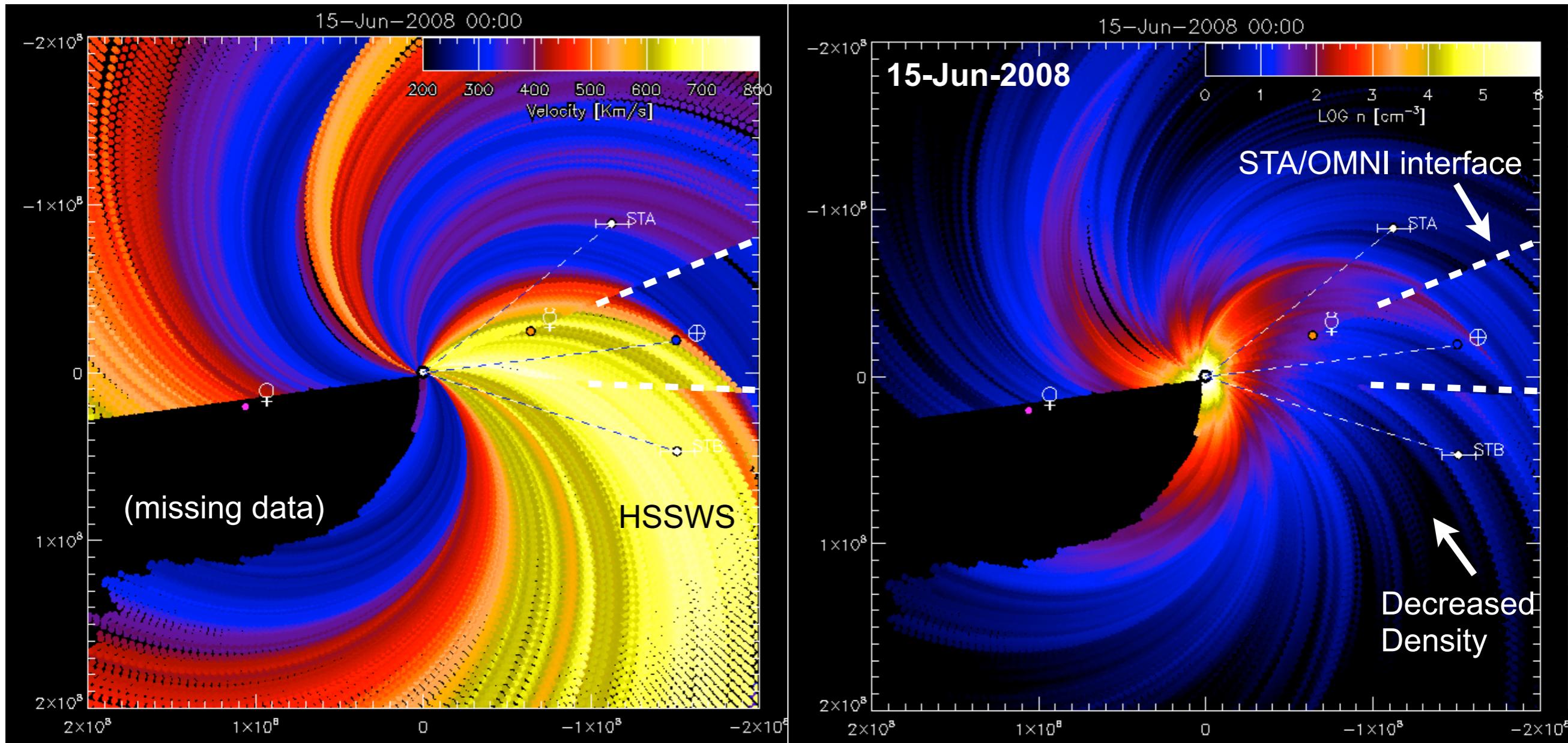
Method

Completed propagation using OMNI data (1hr cadence)



Example: High Speed Solar Wind Stream

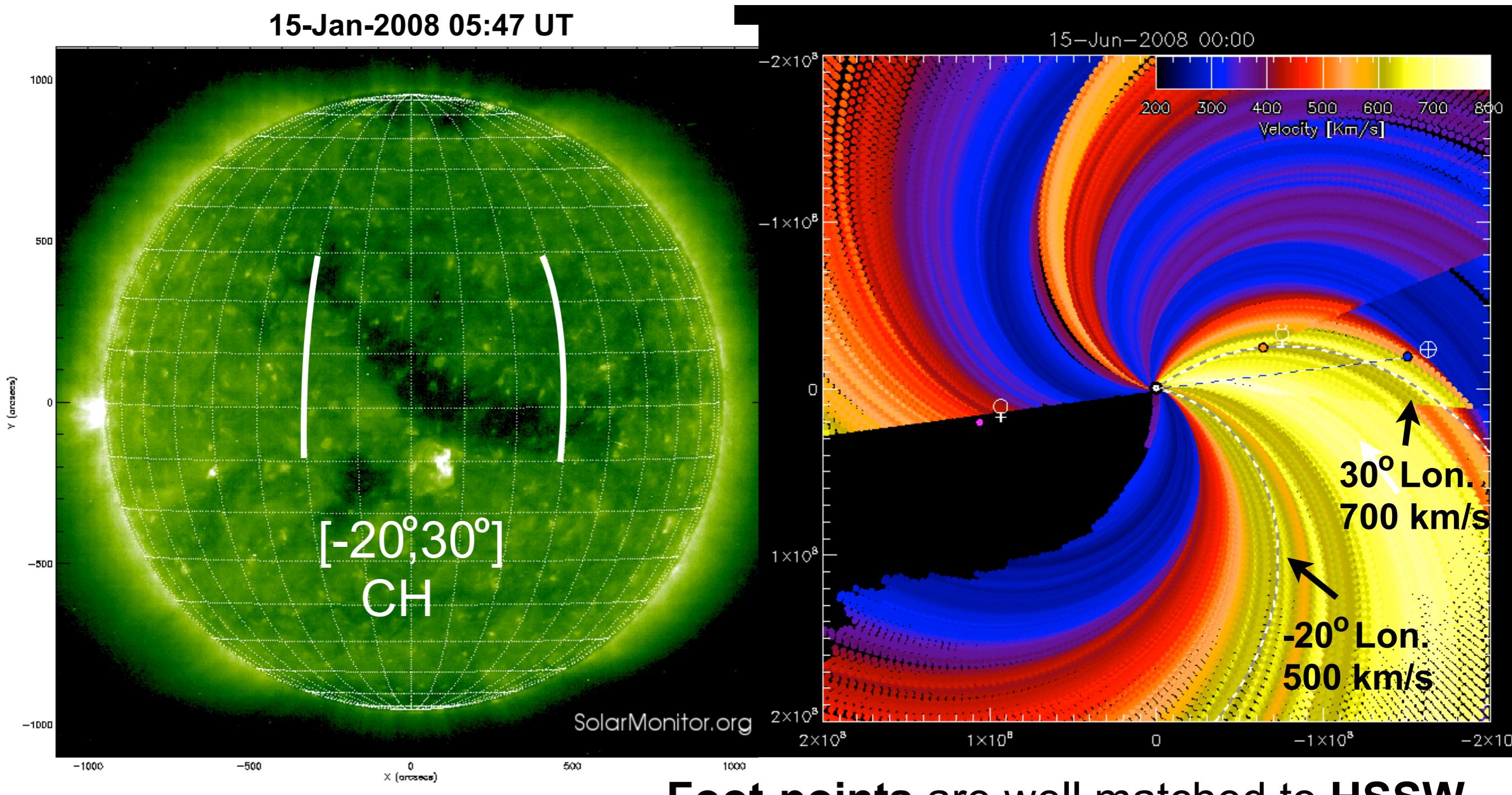
Comparing STA, OMNI, STB



Interfaces provide information- spiral feature? non-spiral?
(HSSW stream?) (CME?)

Example: High Speed Solar Wind Stream

15-Jun-2008: In situ **HSSW** connected to **on-disk coronal hole**
Analysed in Krista & Gallagher, 2009

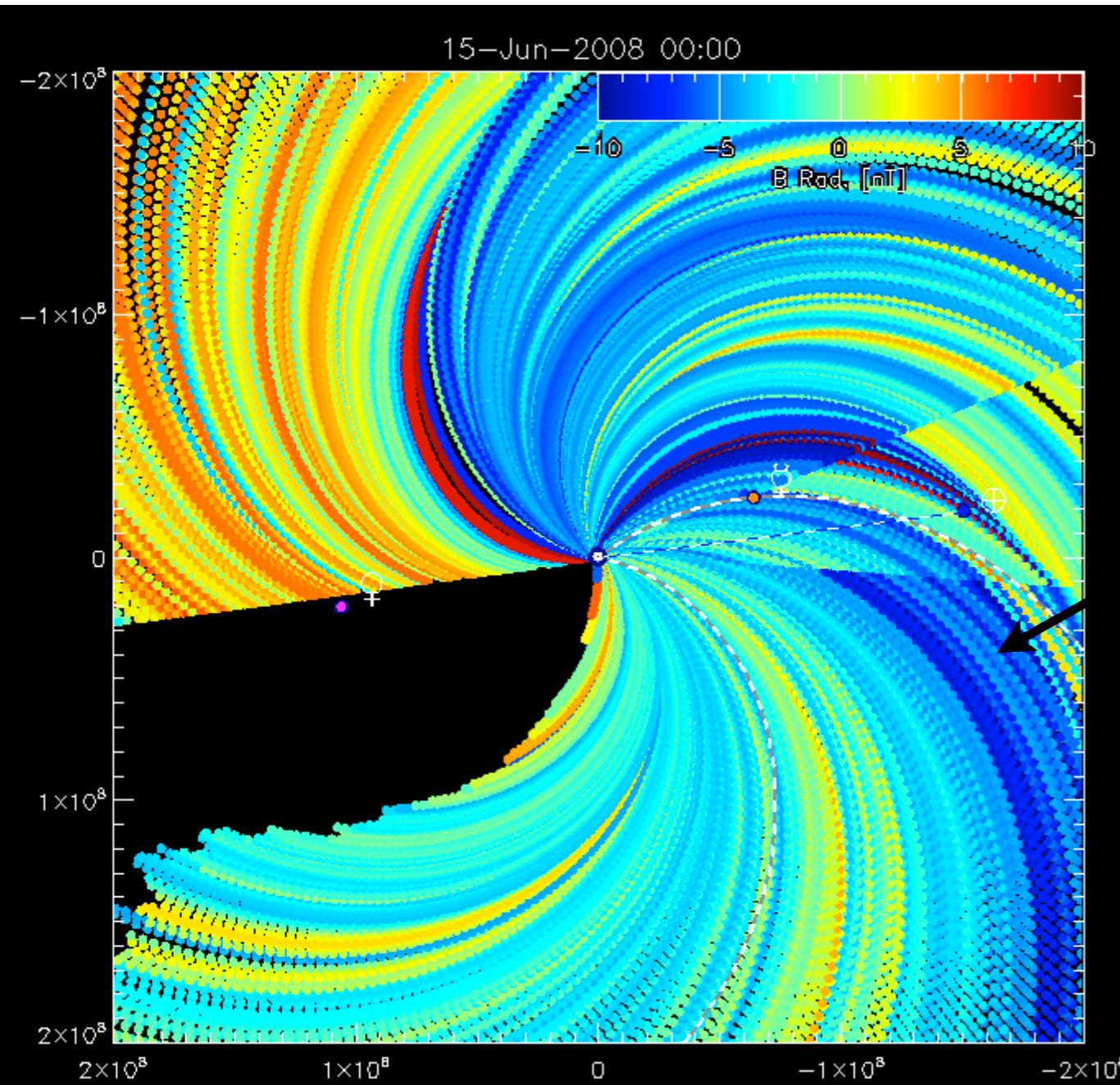


Foot-points are well matched to **HSSW**

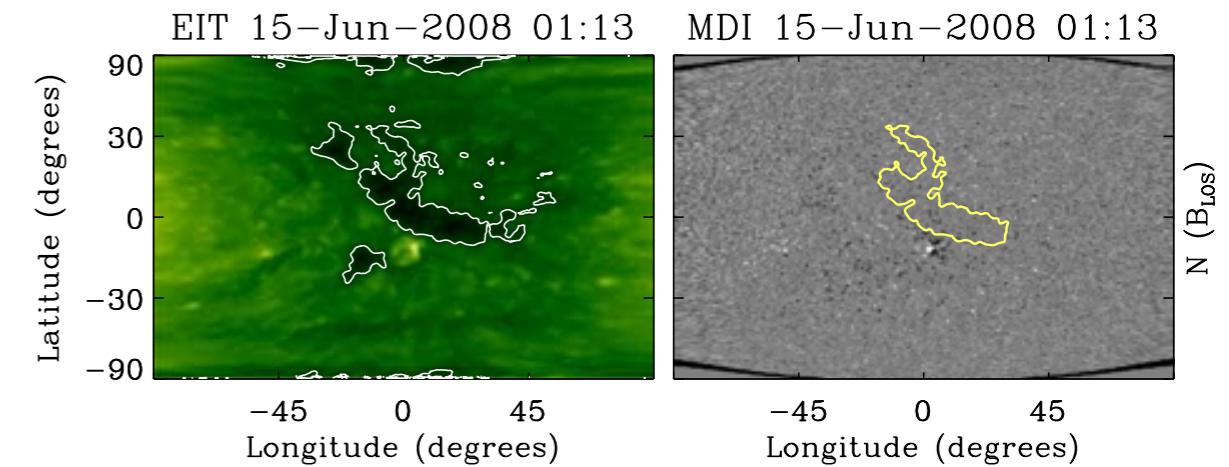
Example: High Speed Solar Wind Stream

Compare polarity of CH between **in situ** and **magnetogram**

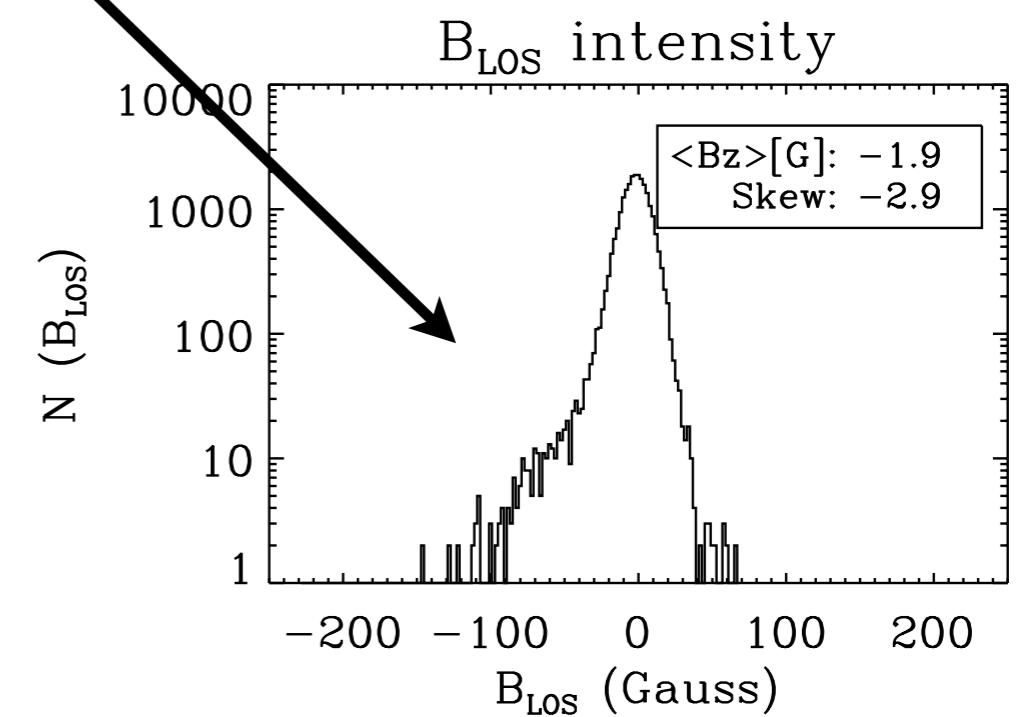
Radial Magnetic Field (B_{rad})



Krista & Gallagher, 2009



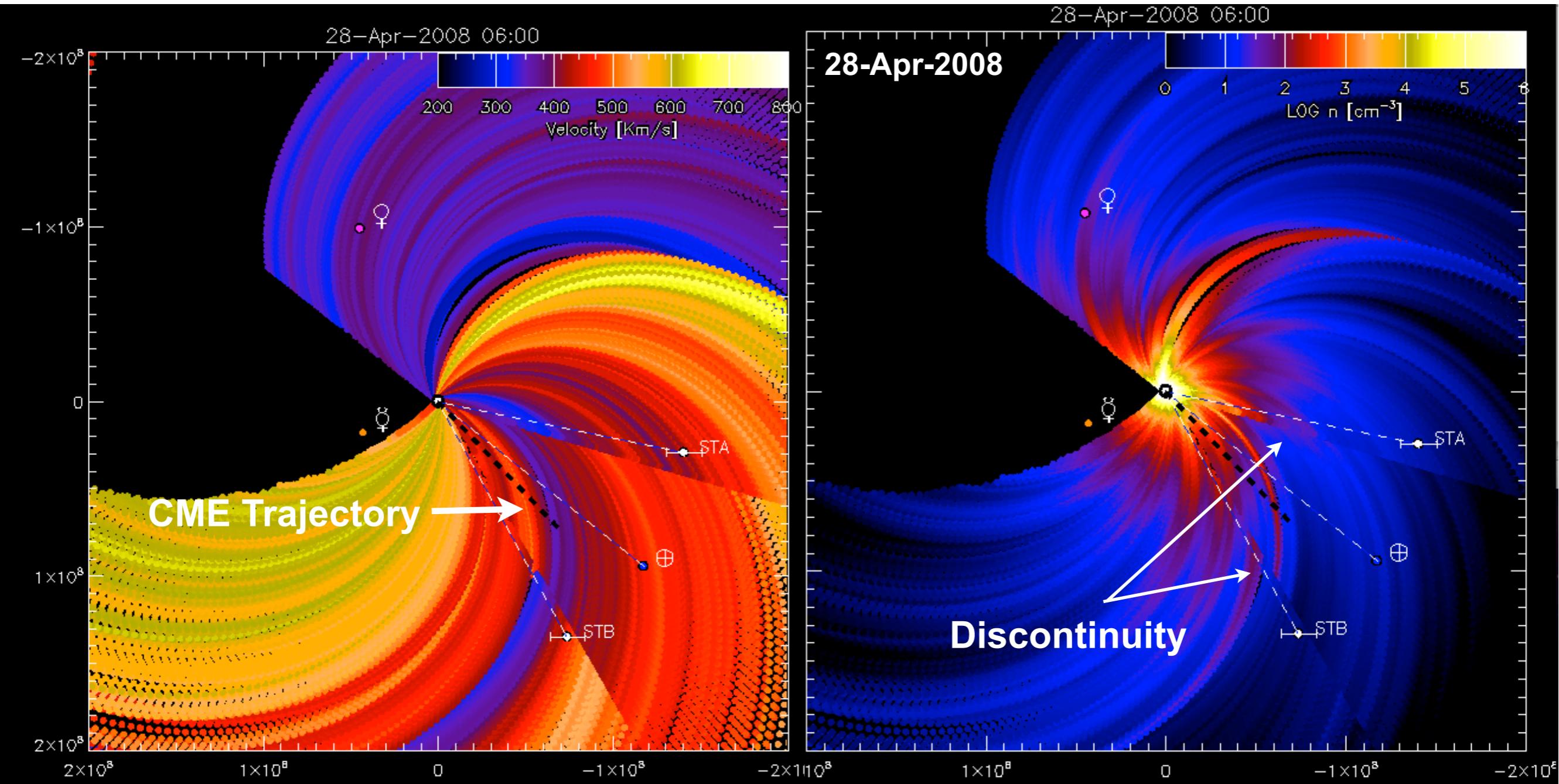
**negative B_{rad} in situ and
negative B_{los} in magnetogram**



Example: In situ Coronal Mass Ejection

26-Apr-2008: CME erupts from ~N08,E08 (partial halo in STA)

Analysed in Poomvises et al., 2010; Thernisien et al., 2009



Algorithm breaks down for CMEs (not spiral shaped...)

Discontinuities could be used to detect ICMEs!

Example: In situ Coronal Mass Ejection

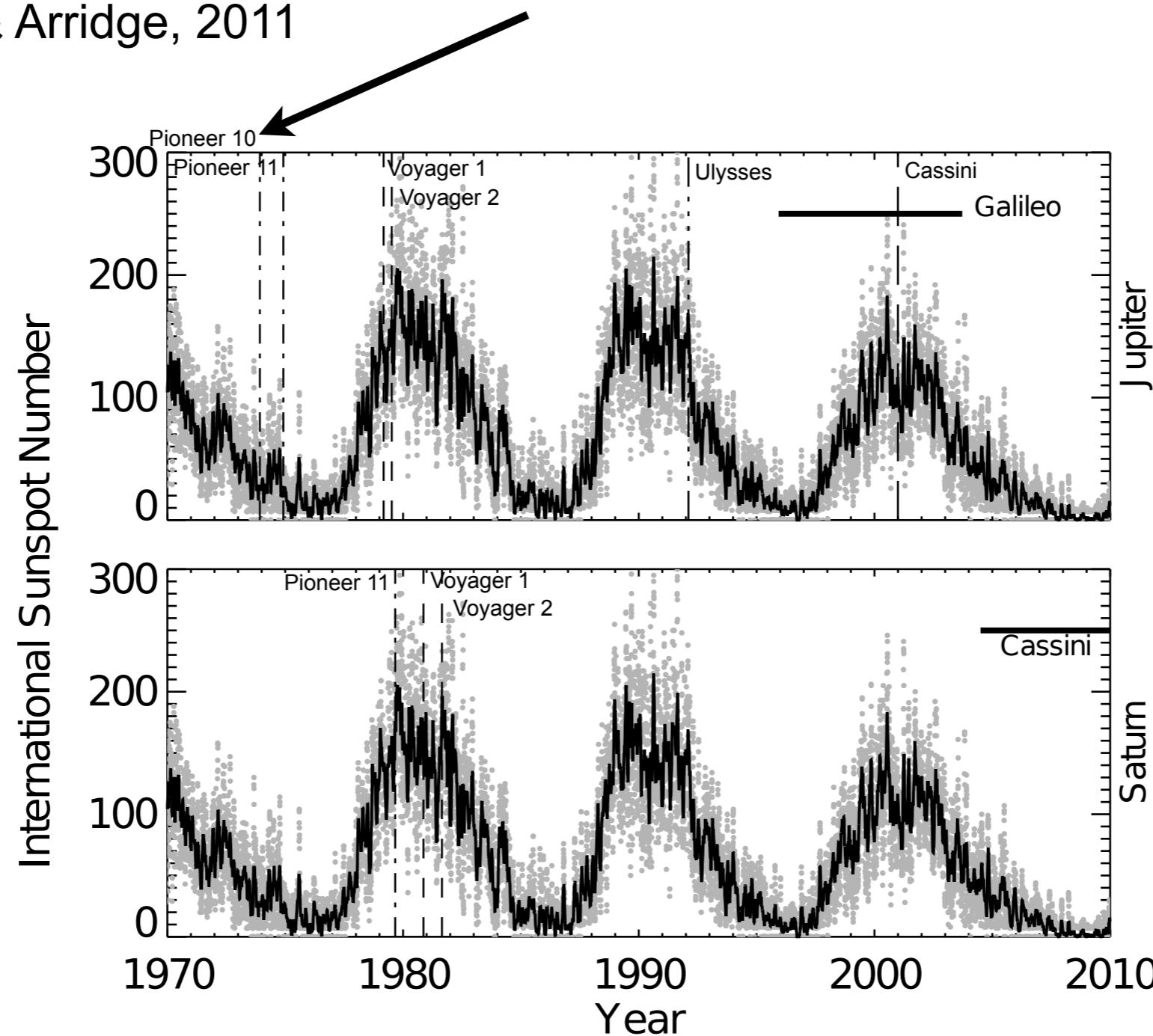
**Movie of propagated data
at the time of the CME**

Example: Propagating to the Outer Planets

Goal: Identify a **HSSW** stream from **Sun to Jupiter**

Pioneer 10 has **minimum distance to Jupiter** on 3-Dec-1973

From Jackman & Arridge, 2011



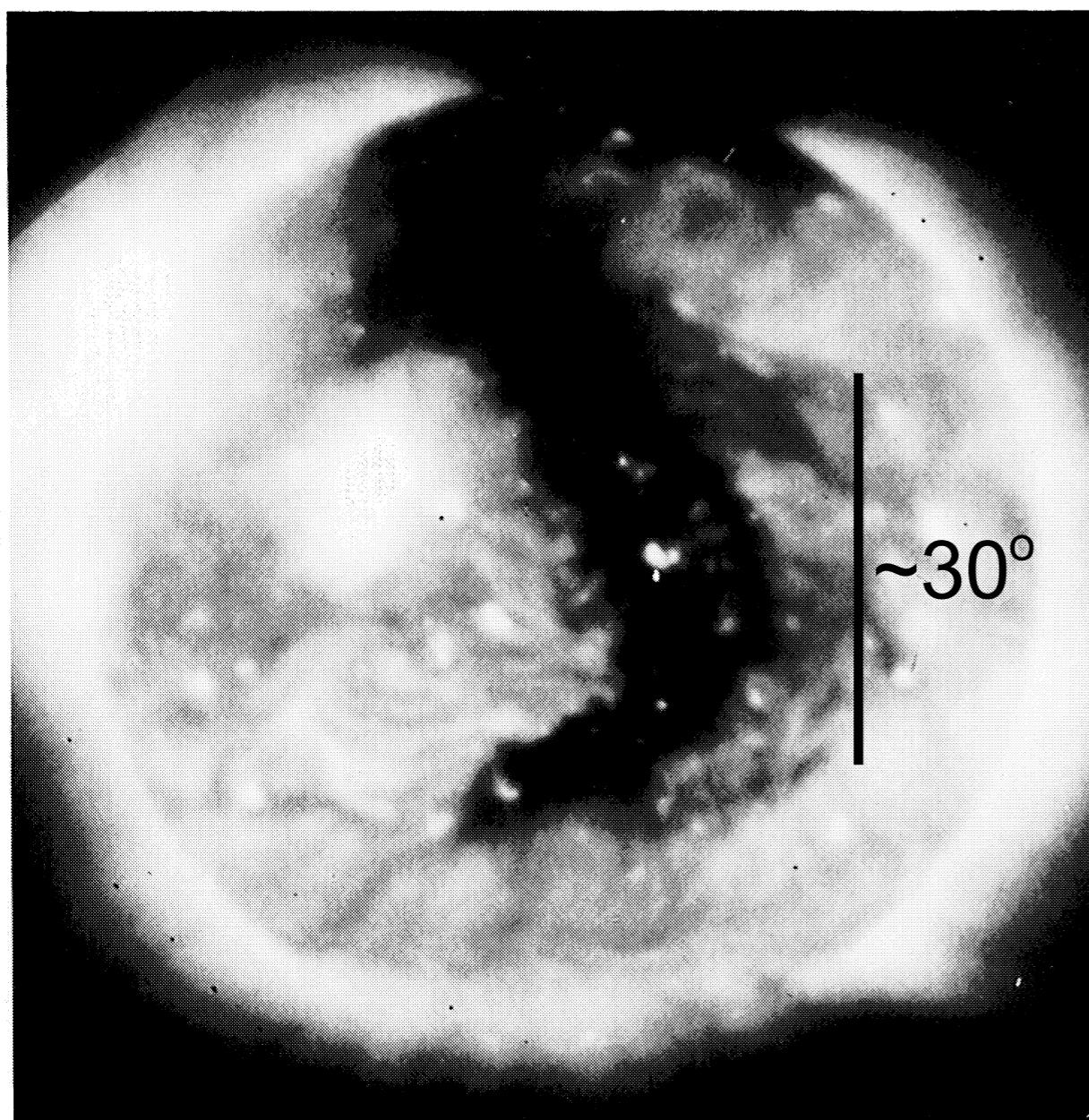
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Disk-center Coronal Hole

From Maxson & Vaiana, 1977

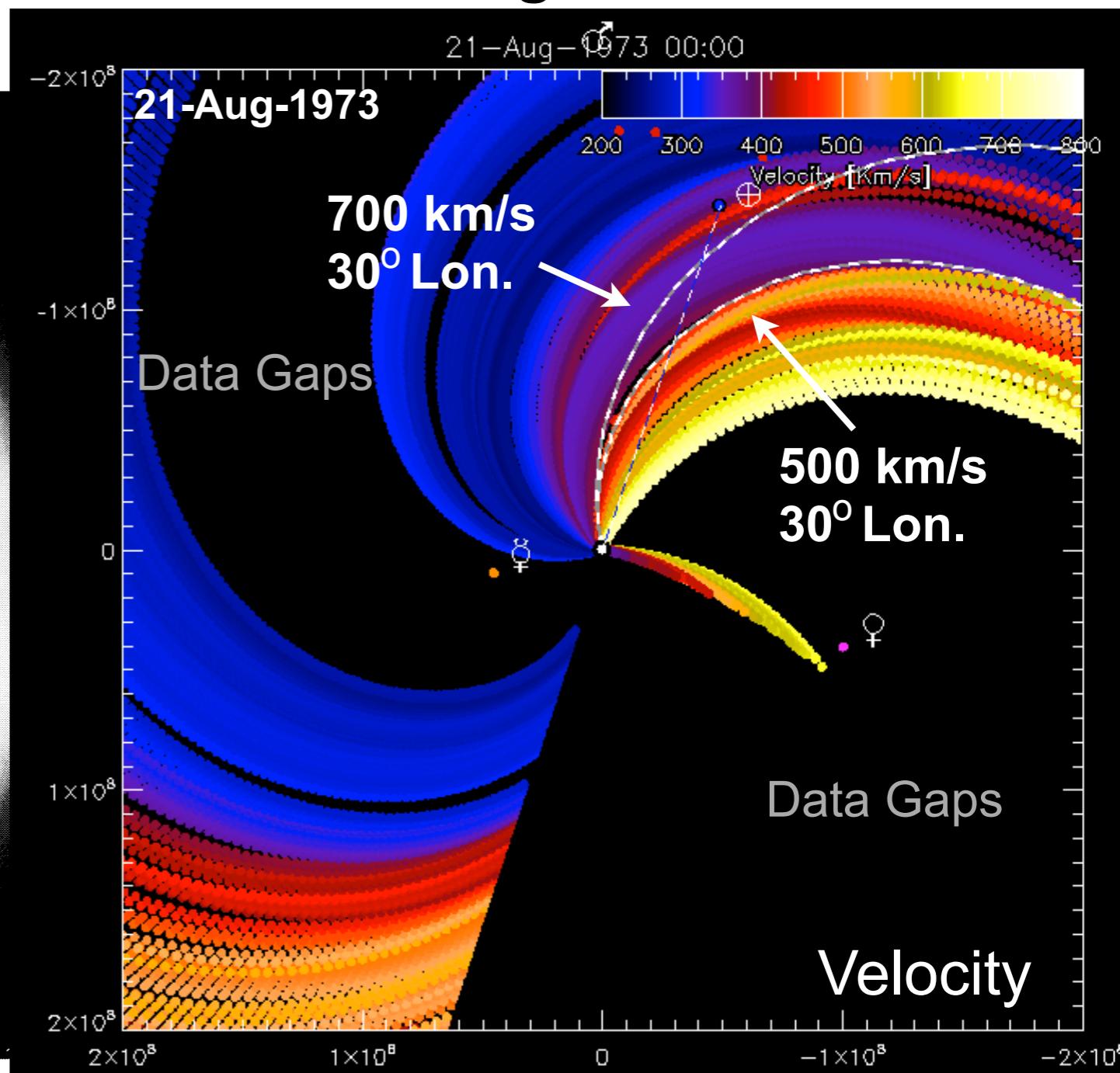
Sky Lab X-ray corona image

21-Aug-1973



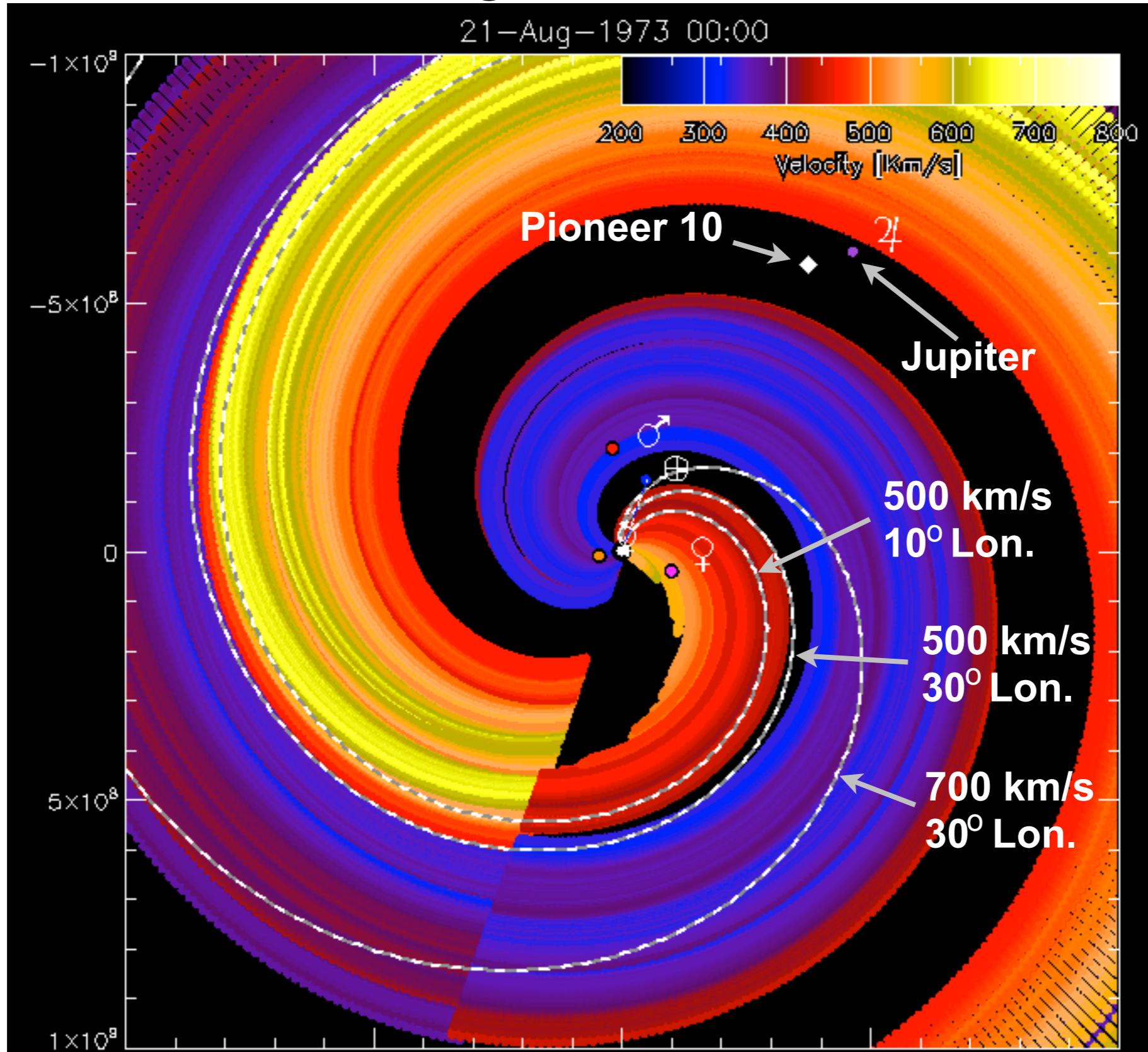
In situ catches leading edge
of the HSSWS

Using OMNI Data



Example: Propagating to the Outer Planets

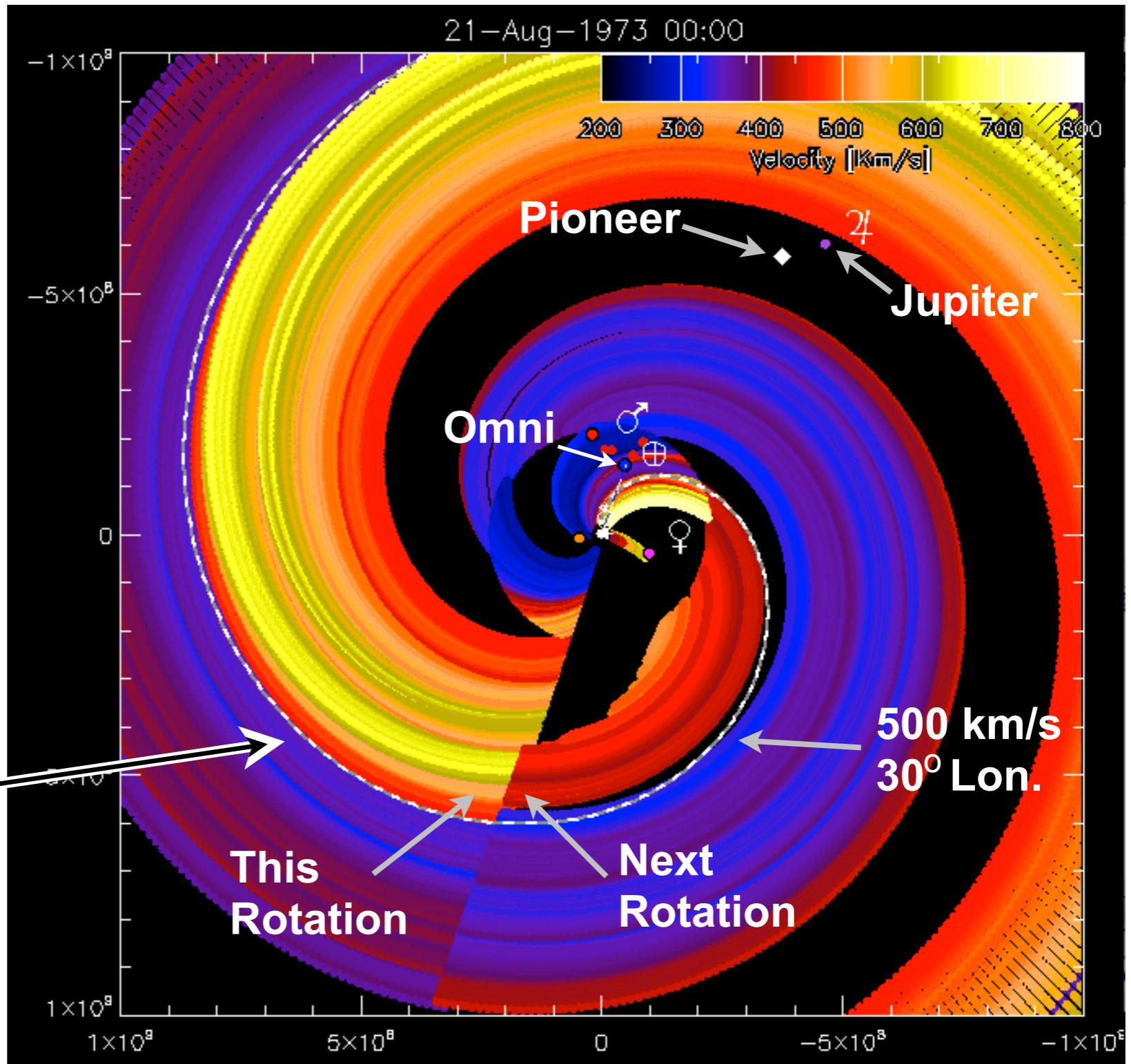
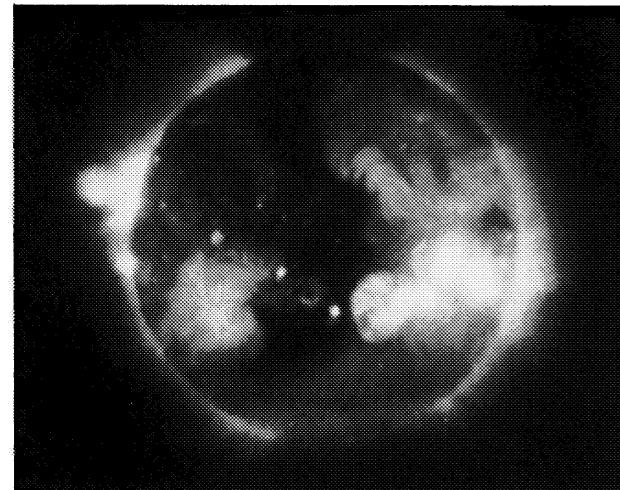
Using Pioneer Data



Example: Propagating to the Outer Planets

Combined OMNI and Pioneer Plot

- Decay of HSSWS velocity observed



Conclusions

- **SHILLELAgh** is useful for quickly **identifying SW** features in large amounts of **in situ** data
- Provides good representation of **HSSW streams**
- Transients (e.g., **CMEs**) are identified by **discontinuities** between spacecraft (model breaks down)
- Allows **distant** observations to be **tied** back to the solar **surface**
 - This work shows **in situ** observation of CH **decay**
- **SHILLELAgh** useful to **HELIO** and other web services: provides **context** for large-scale **solar wind** attributes

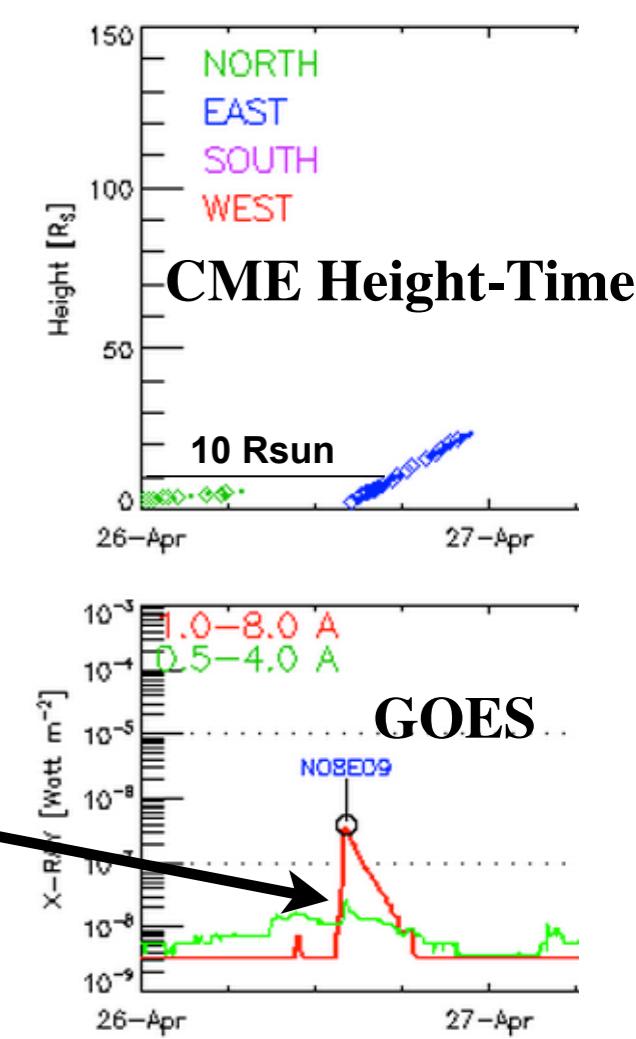
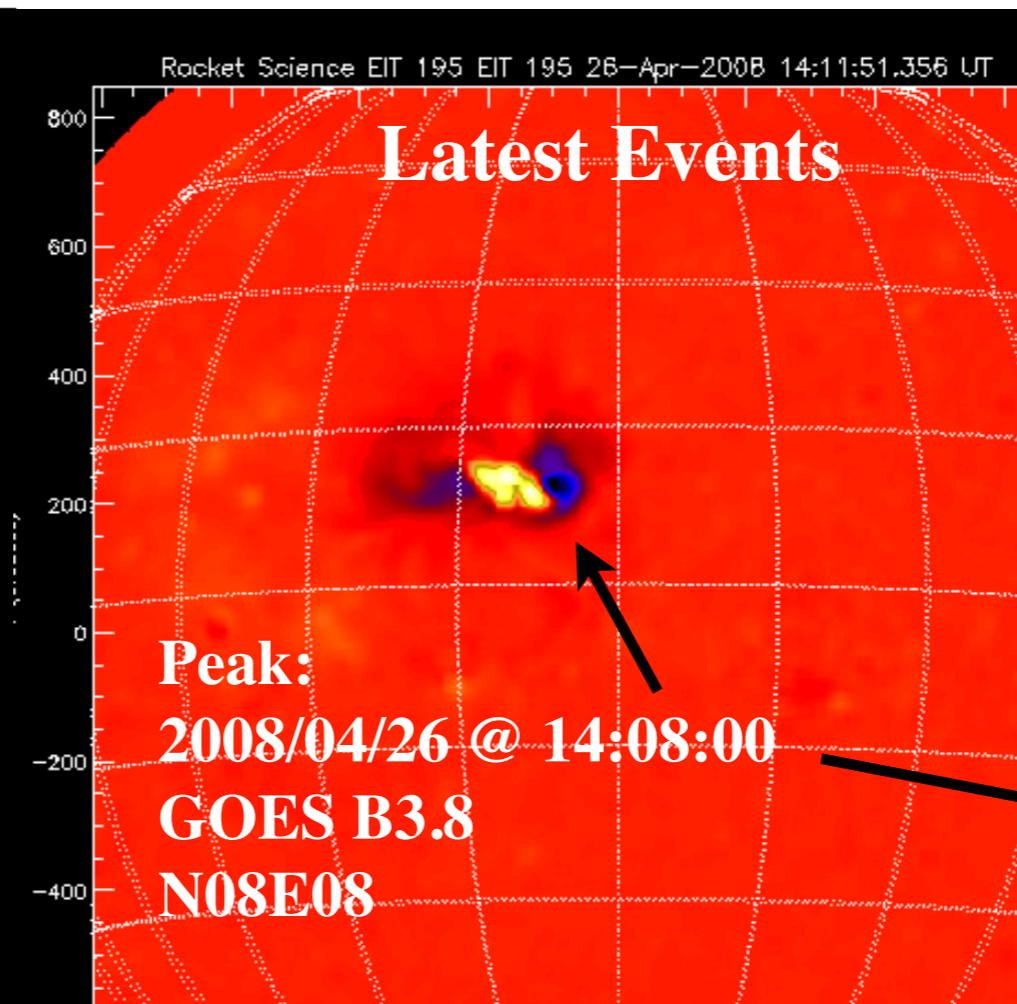
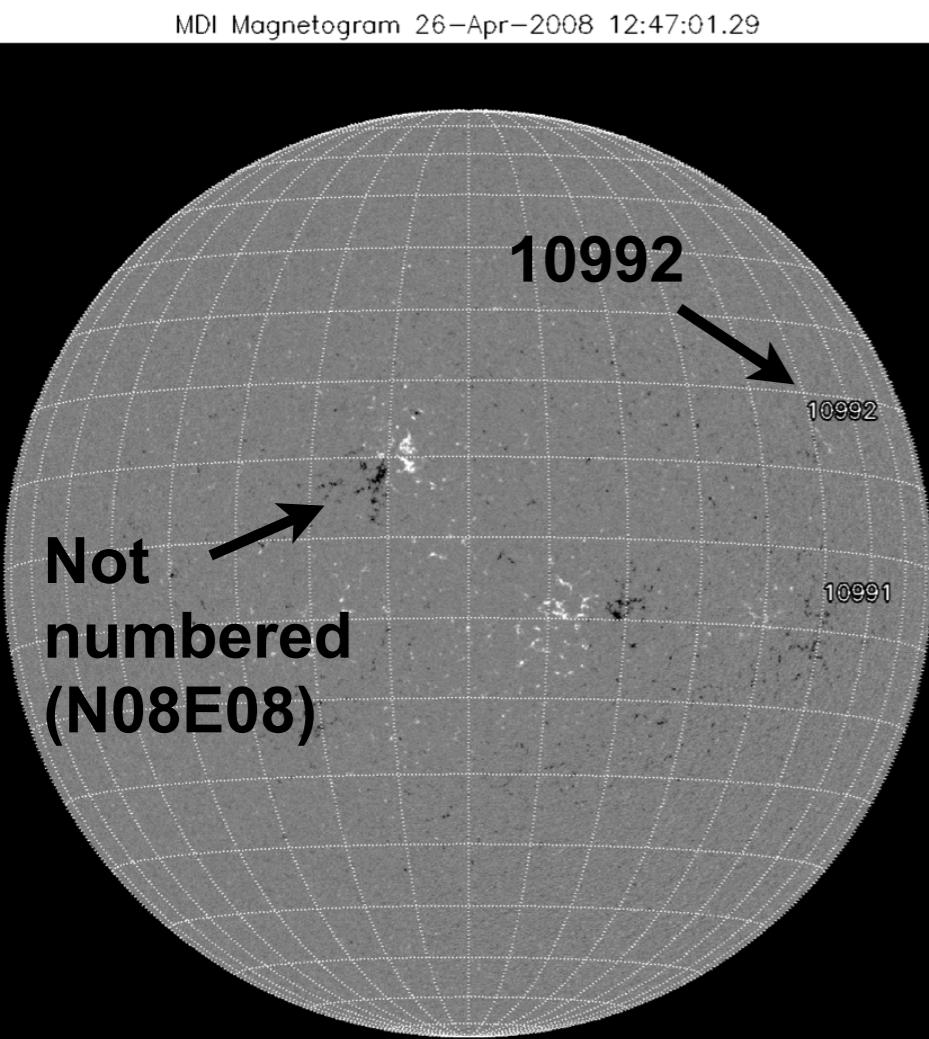
Bonus slides

CME 2008-apr-26

Thernisien et al., 2009

“CME of 26 April 2008

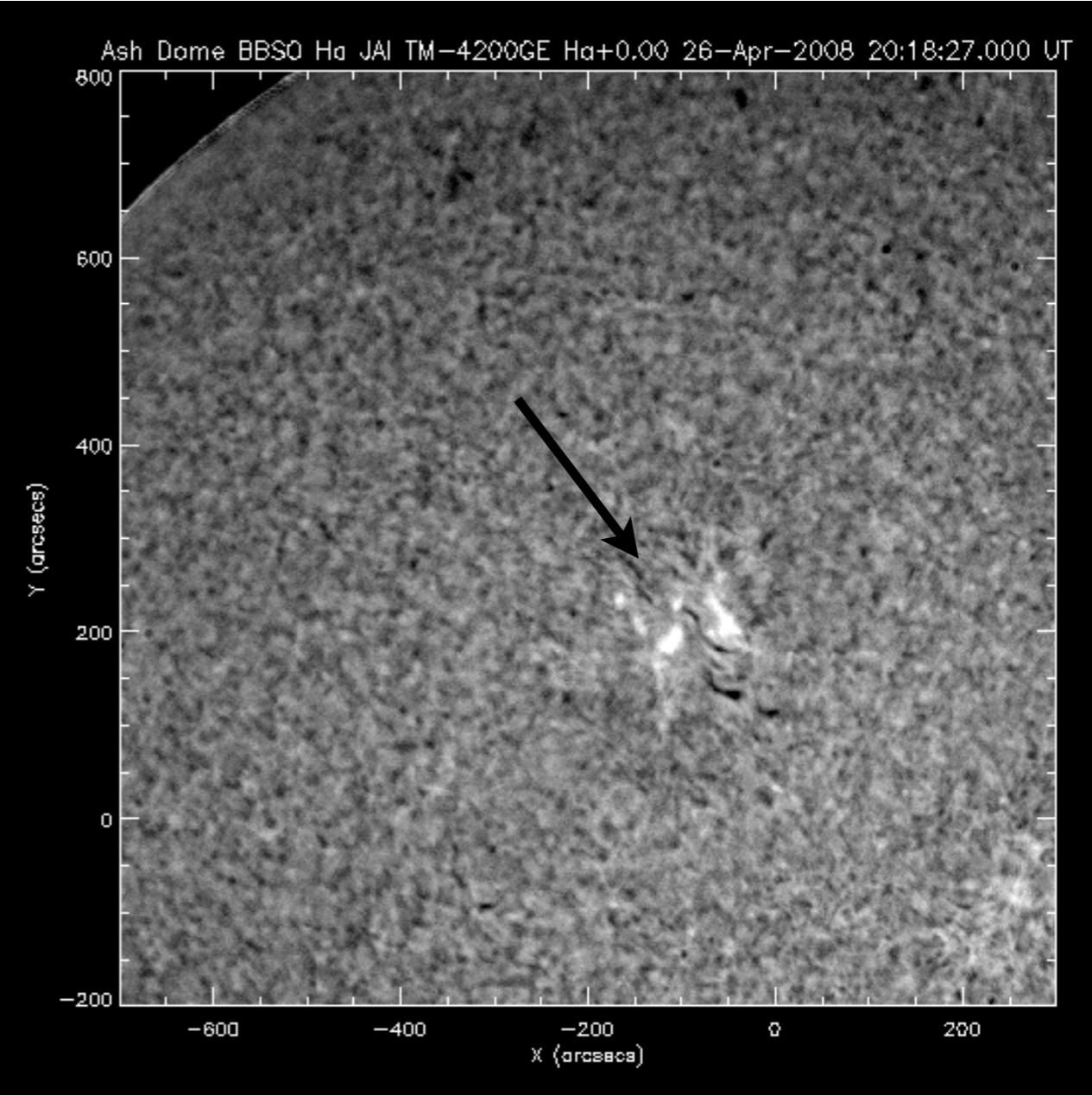
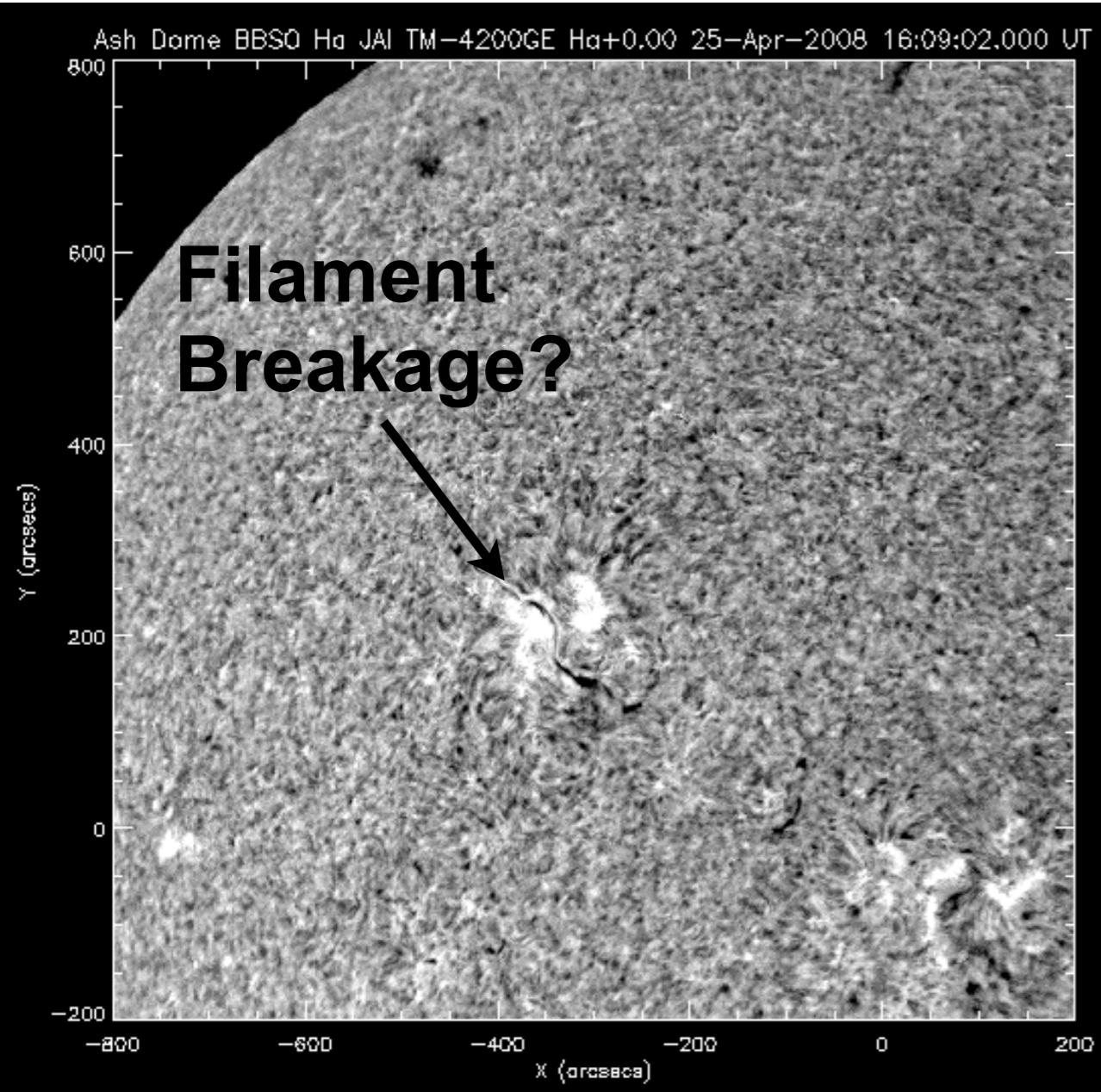
The pair of COR2 images for this CME are shown in the first row of Figure 4. We see that the CME travels toward the east in the FOV of A, and it appears as a halo in the FOV of B. “



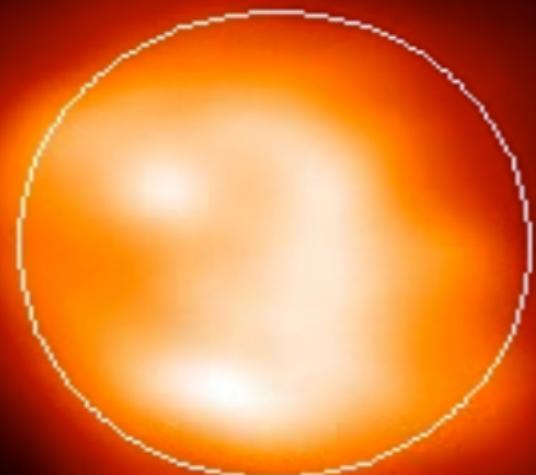
Poomvises et al., 2009

3.2. Event: 2008 April 26

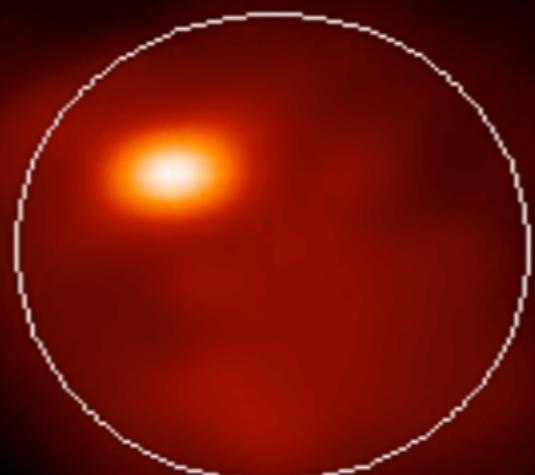
This event was originated at NOAA AR 0992 with heliographic coordinate N13°W32° and Carrington longitude $\sim 204^\circ$ and latitude $\sim 3^\circ$. This CME is a partial halo from the point of view of *STEREO A*. The evolution of the velocities of this CME is shown in Figure 3 (top panel). The LE velocity of this event at $13 R_\odot$ is about 720 km s^{-1} and the velocity decreases to about 640 km s^{-1} at $40 R_\odot$ and thereafter. Additionally, the minor radius expansion velocity converges to about 140 km s^{-1} and the bulk velocity to about 500 km s^{-1} at large distances. The initial and final LE velocities that we obtain are consistent with those of previous studies of this event (Thernisien et al. 2009).



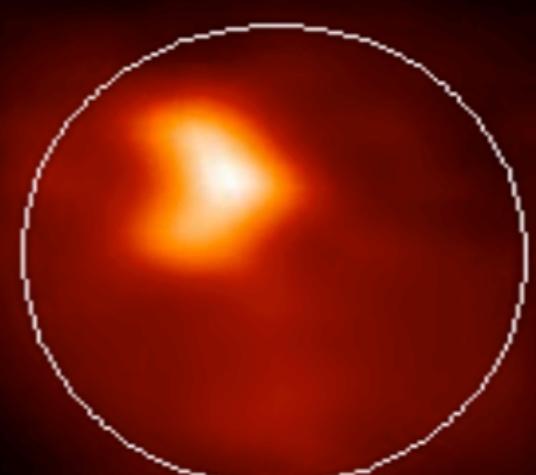
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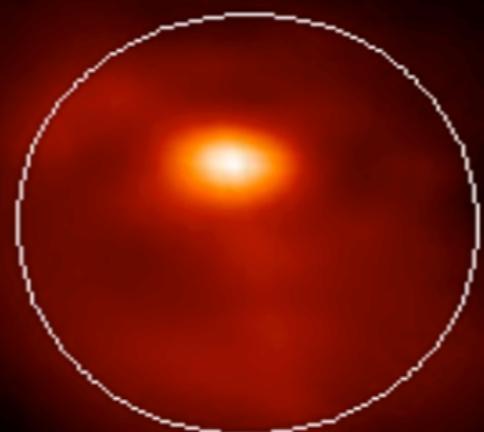
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NRH 26-Apr-2008

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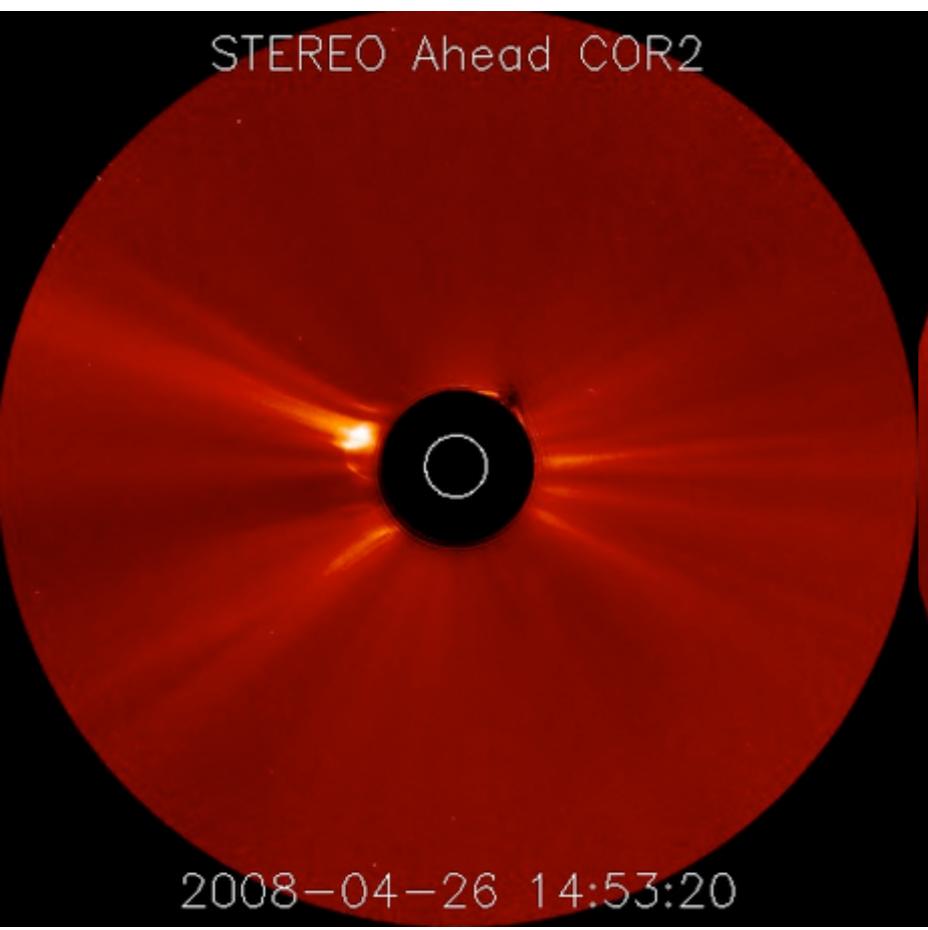
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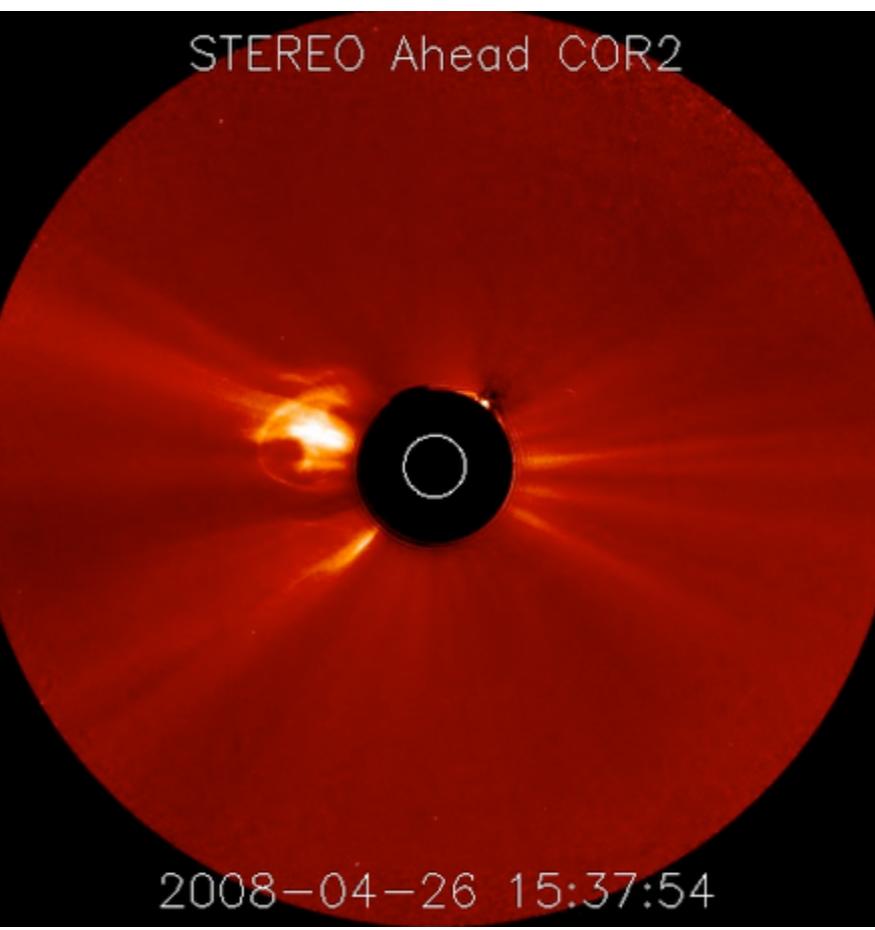
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STEREO Ahead COR2



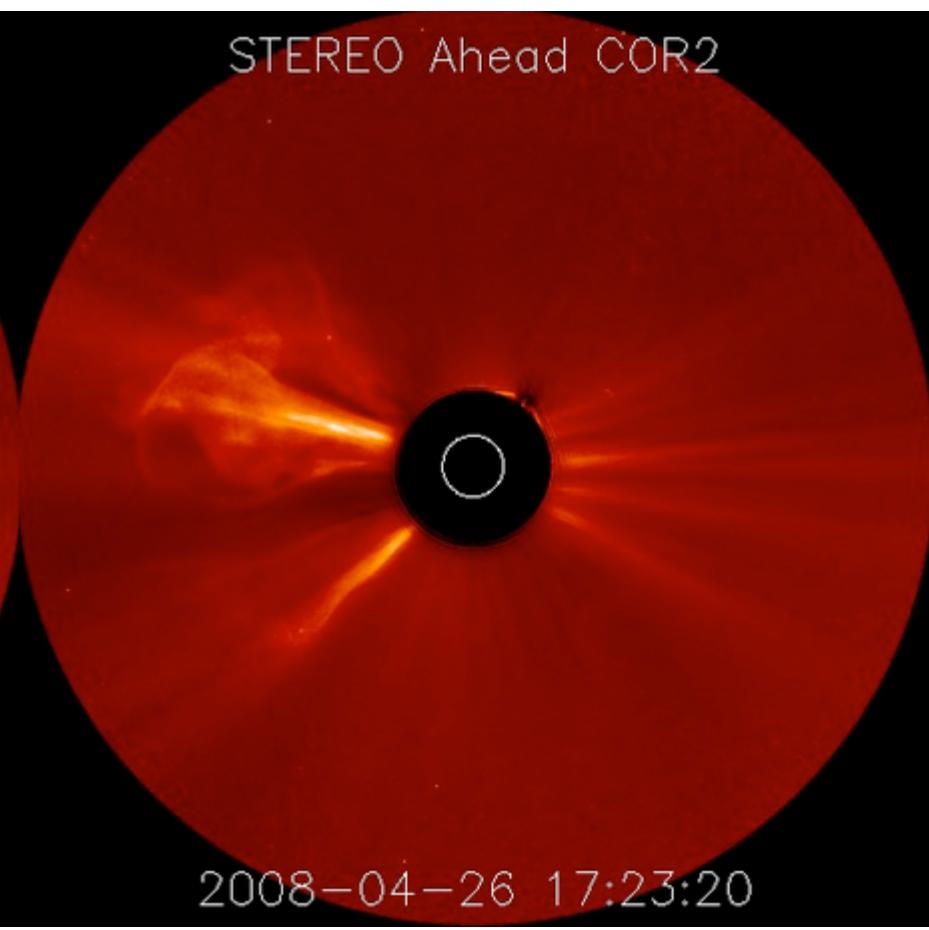
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STEREO Ahead COR2



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