STEREO AND SPACE WEATHER

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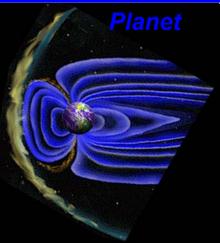
Space Weather: <u>Variable conditions in space that can</u> <u>have adverse effects on human life and society</u>
Multi-agency program, NASA, NSF, DoD, NOAA, ...
Goal is to enable physics-based prediction capability

Variable Star

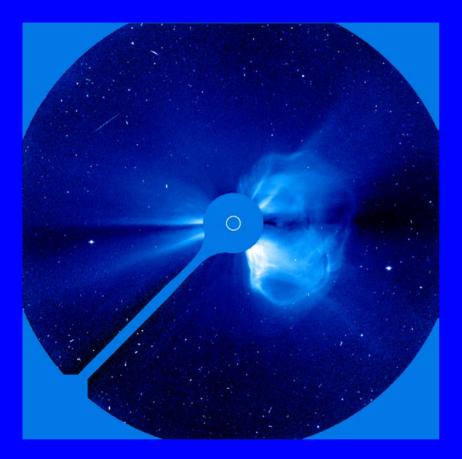


Varying

- EM Radiation
- Mass/fields flows
- Energetic Particles



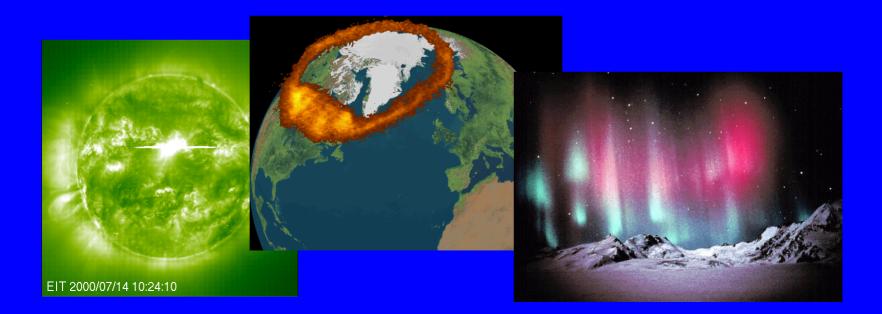
Stereo Science Objectives



- 1. Characterize the propagation of CMEs through the heliosphere
- 2. Understand the causes and mechanisms of CME initiation
- 3. Discover the mechanisms and sites of energetic particle acceleration in the low corona and the interplanetary medium
- 4. Develop a 3D time-dependent model of the magnetic topology, temperature, density, and velocity structure of the ambient solar wind

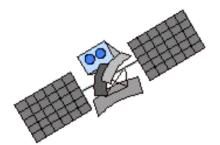
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- Examples of STEREO + + contributions
- July 14, 2000 Space Weather Event
 Due to coronal mass ejection/eruptive flare









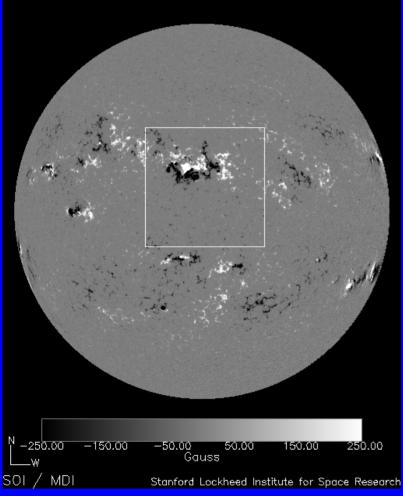
Research Satellites

Research Satellites	X-ray Observatory	Went into "safe mode" and lost a lot of altitude drained back-up batteries due to poor solar panel orientation: unable to regain control of craft. Expected to reenter Earth's atmosphere in 2001.
	SOHO	Permanent solar panel degradation
		equivalent to 1 year of normal degradation
	Wind Spacecraft	~25% permanent loss of transmitter power

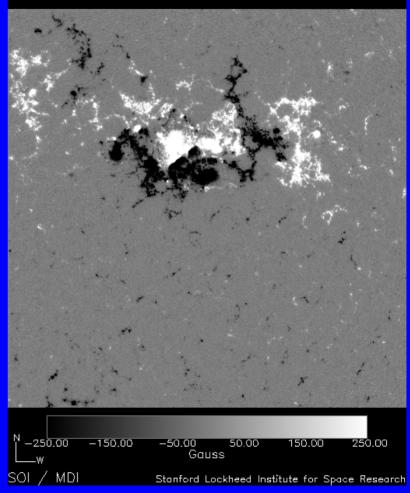
Magnetic Origins of July 14 Event

• *Will an active region produce a fast eruption*?

SOHO/MDI Magnetogram 14-Jul-2000 01:41

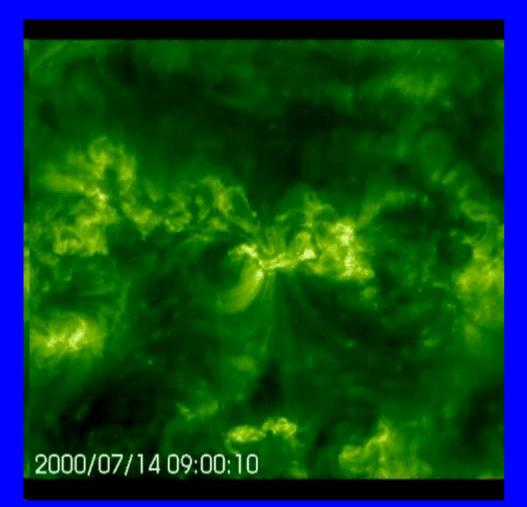


SOHO/MDI Magnetogram 14-jul-2000 06:17



MDI Observations of magnetic field at photosphere

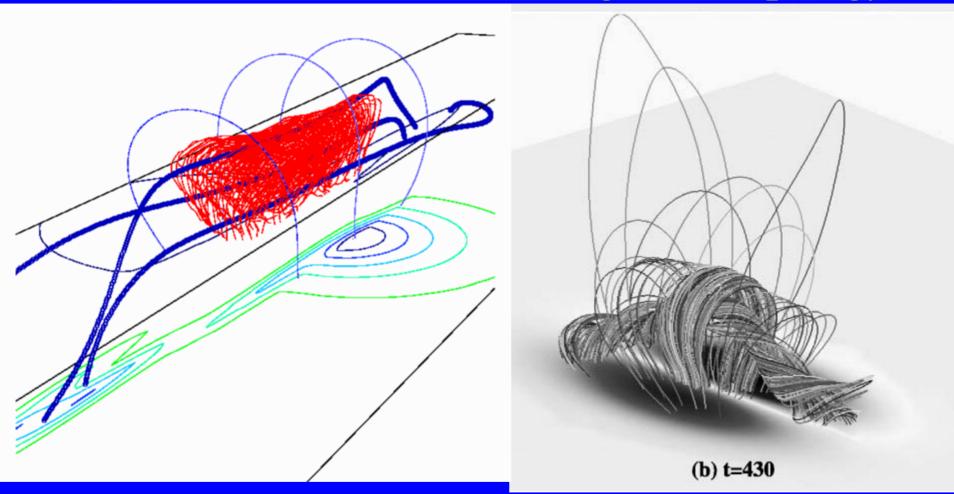
Pre-Eruption Coronal Structure



- Energy for eruption stored in coronal magnetic field
- But structure not defined by July 14 observations
- Still do not know the topology of filament channel field!

The 'Bastille Day' Event

Models of 3D Coronal Magnetic Topology



Sheared 3D Arcade (DeVore & Antiochos)

Flux Rope (Amari, Mikic & Linker)

STEREO & Pre-eruption Structure

- STEREO++ will provide first opportunity to determine pre-eruption field necessary capability for prediction
- THEMIS / Solar-B will measure detailed vector field along AR neutral lines
- STEREO will observe filament and coronal structures in 3D
- 3D numerical modeling will couple photospheric and coronal observations

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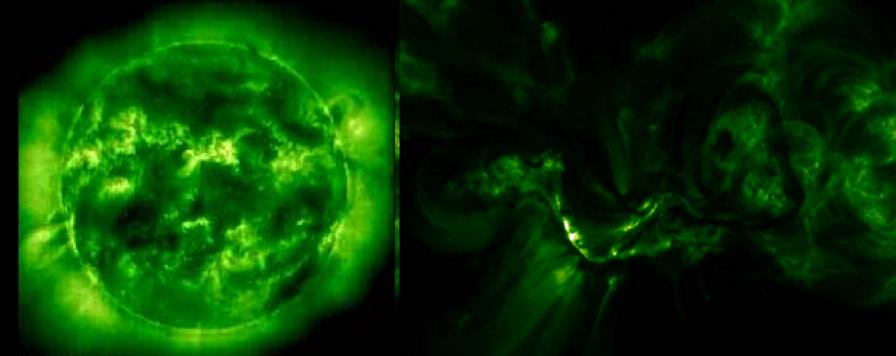
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Initiation of July 14 Event

• When will a CME/eruptive flare occur ?



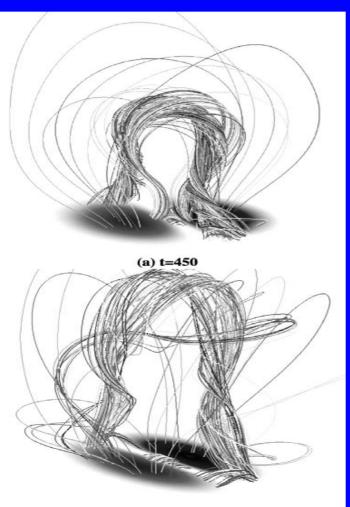
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TRACE observations

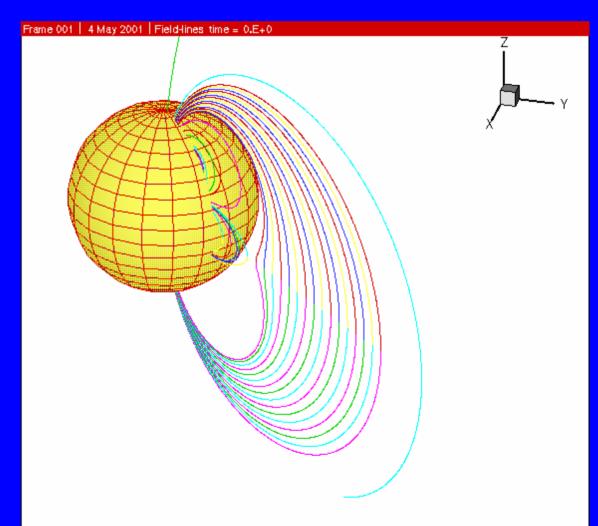
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STEREO & CME Initiation

- Models must be developed to use real data and predict observables
- STEREO will produce definitive tests of models
- Iterate to determine observable predictors of initiation

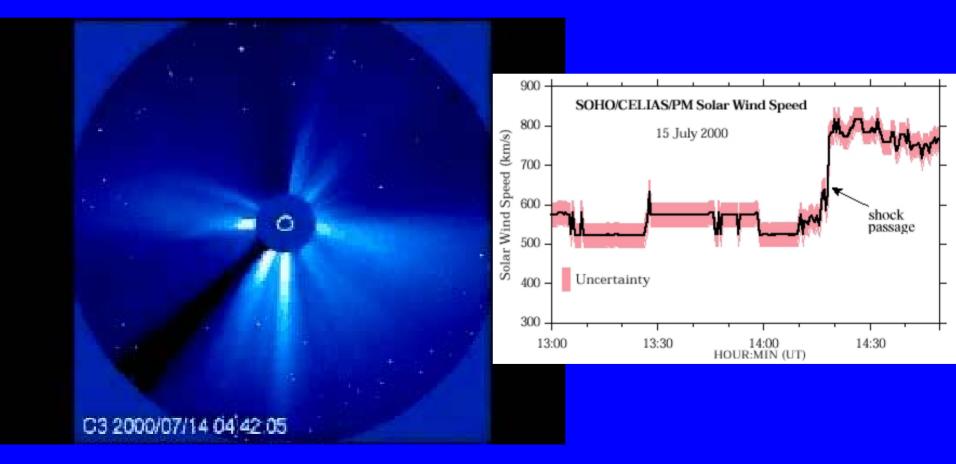






July 14 Development and Propagation

• What will be the geo-effectiveness of a CME?

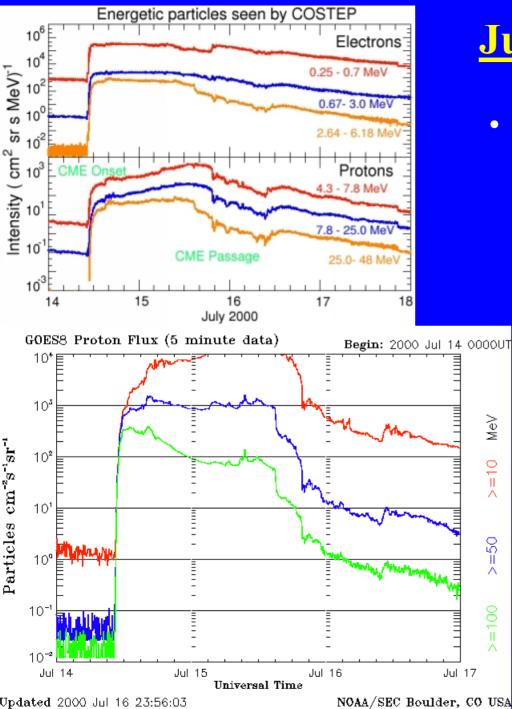


STEREO & CME Geo-Effectiveness

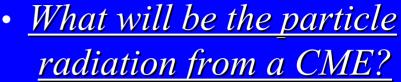
- Must have 3D model of complete corona
 - Requires STEREO, Themis, Solar-B, ---
- Must have detailed 3D model of heliosphere

 Requires STERO
- Must have accurate propagation models

 Test and refine with STEREO data
- STEREO will observe 3D coronal lift-off
- Will observe complete propagation to 1 AU
 - Measure velocity evolution
 - Direct comparison with in situ particles and fields



July 14 Proton Storm

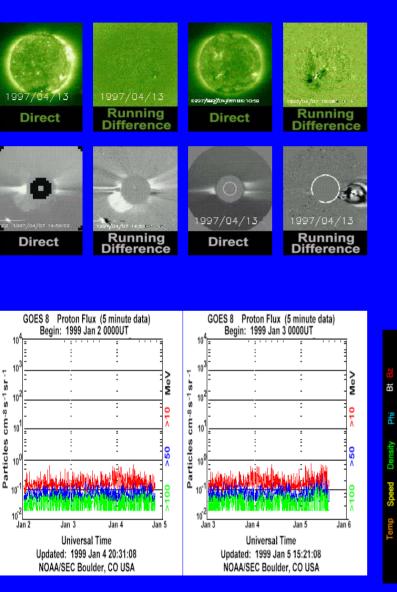




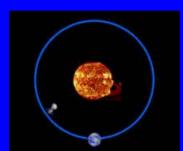
STEREO & Energetic Particles

- Must understand mechanism for flare particle acceleration – Will have HESSI + STEREO + Solar-B + ...
- Must have IP shock formation/propagation model
 Natural part of ICME model
- Must have particle acceleration + propagation/diffusion model
 - Key role of multi-point measurements
- Will measure scale of acceleration
- Detailed tests of acceleration and diffusion models

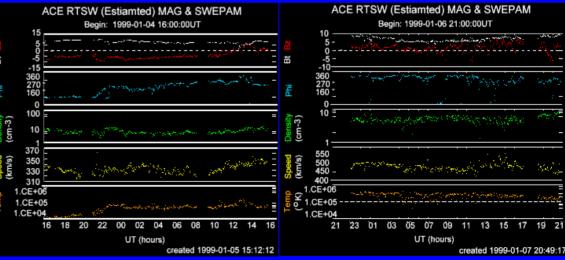
Real-Time Space Weather



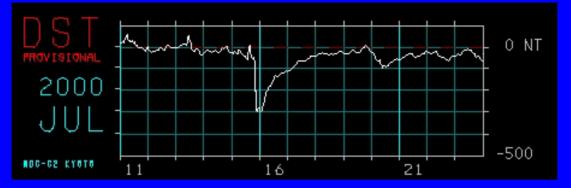
- STEREO data will be available on line from SSC to support modeling
- 24 hr real-time transmission of reduced data available







July 14 Terrestrial Impact





Conclusions

- Must do space weather in order to do our science
 Requires STEREO, Themis, Solar-B, ---
- STEREO will succeed only if have complete international science program
 - Other space missions, ground-based observations, data analysis, theory
- STEREO science advances will requires new level of coupled modeling observations
- Basic science challenge is to understand scale coupling in complex systems