

# Modeling, Observing and MHD Simulations of Relative Magnetic Helicity and its applications to the solar activity

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# Definition of magnetic helicity

19<sup>th</sup> century, Gauss discovered a simple formula which counts the linking of two Curves when study the asteroid orbits which linked the Earth's orbit. (Epple 1998)

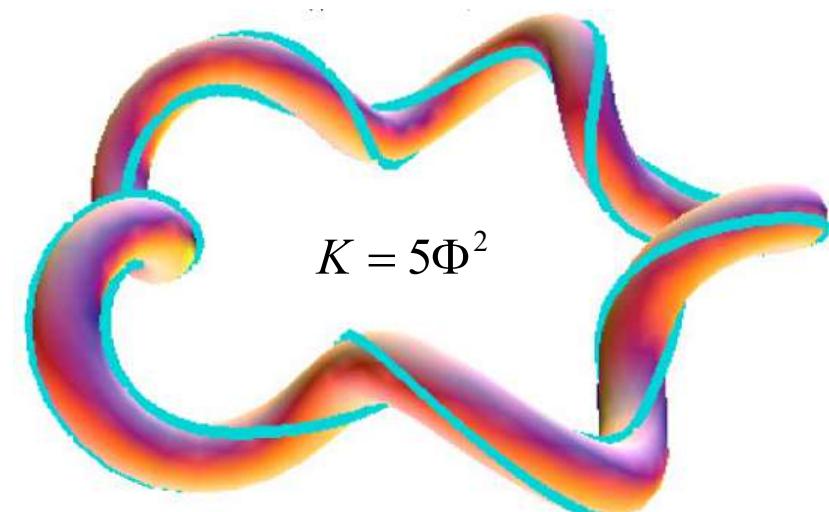
Link number of two curves:  $L_{12} = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \oint_1 \oint_2 \frac{dx}{d\sigma} \cdot \frac{r}{r^3} \times \frac{dy}{d\tau} d\tau d\sigma.$

Helicity of N flux tube:  $K = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N L_{ij} \Phi_i \Phi_j.$

$N \rightarrow \infty$      $\Phi_i \rightarrow 0$      $K = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \iint B(x) \cdot \frac{r}{r^3} \times B(y) d^3x d^3y.$

Coulomb Gauge:  $A(x) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int \frac{r}{r^3} \times B(y) d^3y$

Magnetic Helicity:  $K = \int A \cdot B d^3x.$     The unit is Mx<sup>2</sup>

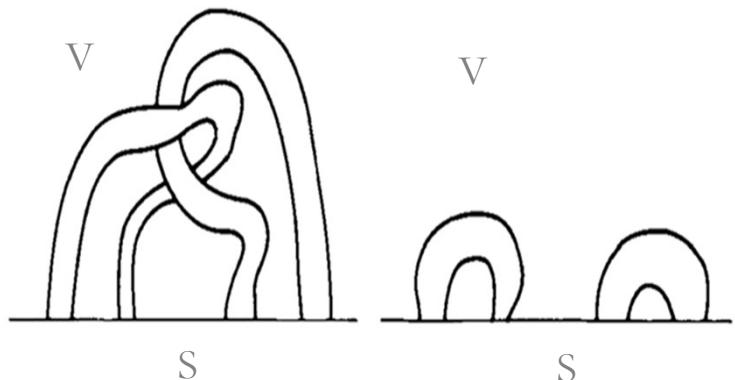


Berger (1999)

# Definition of Relative Magnetic Helicity

Requirement of Invariance of magnetic helicity

$$H_m = \int \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} d^3x \quad H'_m = \int_V (\mathbf{A} + \nabla \psi) \cdot \mathbf{B} d^3x = H_m \quad \text{ONLY IF } \vec{B} \cdot \hat{n}|_s = 0$$



$$\mathbf{B}_1 = \mathbf{B}(x \in V)$$

$$\mathbf{B}_2 = \mathbf{P}(x \in V)$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}_p$$

Berger and Field (1984)

$$H_R = \int (\vec{A} + \vec{A}_p) \cdot (\vec{B} - \vec{P}) dV,$$

Finn-Antonsen Formula (1985)

$$\text{IF } \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}_P = 0 \quad \mathbf{A}_P \cdot \hat{n}|_S = 0$$

$$\frac{dH_R(V)}{dt} = -2 \int_V (\vec{E} \bullet \vec{B}) dV + 2 \oint_S (\vec{A}_P \times \vec{E}) \bullet d\vec{S}$$

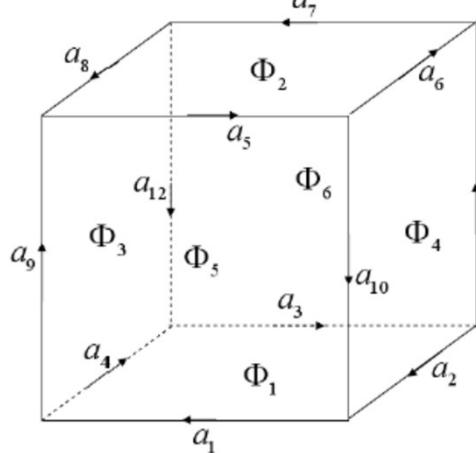
# Modeling Relative Magnetic Helicity in Cartesian Coordinate

## Formulas:

$$\text{Divergence Free} \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}_p' = 0 \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}' = 0 \quad \mathbf{A}_p \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}|_s = 0$$

$$\text{Definition of Vector Potential} \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{B} \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{A}_p' = \mathbf{P}$$

1: Boundary conditions of the vector potential



$$\hat{\mathbf{T}}' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{X} = (a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{12})^T$$

$$\mathbf{F}' = (\Phi_1, \Phi_2, \Phi_3, \Phi_4, \Phi_5, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T$$

$$A_{px}(a_i) = \frac{\pi a_i}{2L_x} \sin(\pi x/L_x), \quad i = 1, 3, 5, 7$$

$$A_{py}(a_i) = \frac{\pi a_i}{2L_y} \sin(\pi y/L_y), \quad i = 2, 4, 6, 8$$

$$A_{pz}(a_i) = \frac{\pi a_i}{2L_z} \sin(\pi z/L_z), \quad i = 9, 10, 11, 12$$

$$A_{px} = -\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y}, \quad A_{py} = \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x}, \quad A_{pz}|_{z=0} = 0$$

$$\Delta\varphi(x, y) = B_z(x, y, z=0)$$

# Modeling Relative Magnetic Helicity in Cartesian Coordinate

## 2. Resolving the Poisson Equation of Vector potential

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{A}_p) = \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{A}_p) - \Delta \vec{A}_p = 0$$

$$\Delta \vec{A} = -\vec{J}$$

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$$\Delta \vec{A}_p = 0$$

Yang , Buechner, Santos & Zhang (2013)

Yang , Buechner, Skala & Zhang (2018)

The solution of Poission/Laplace equation  
doesn't satisfy the gauge of Vector potential

## 3. Modify vector potential $\nabla \times \mathbf{M}_p + \mathbf{A}_p$

$$\begin{cases} \Delta M_z = (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}_p)_z - P_z \\ M_z(z=0, l_z) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial M_z}{\partial x}(x=0, l_x) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial M_z}{\partial y}(y=0, l_y) = 0 \end{cases}, \begin{cases} \Delta M_y = (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}_p)_y - P_y \\ M_y(y=0, l_y) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial M_y}{\partial x}(x=0, l_x) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial M_y}{\partial z}(z=0, l_z) = 0 \end{cases}, \begin{cases} \Delta M_x = (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}_p)_x - P_x \\ M_x(x=0, l_x) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial M_x}{\partial y}(y=0, l_y) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial M_x}{\partial z}(z=0, l_z) = 0 \end{cases}$$

## (4) Modify the boundary condition of Vector Potentials and clean the Divergence

$$\begin{cases} \Delta \phi = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}_p \\ \left. \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} \right|_s = -(\nabla \times \mathbf{M}_p) \cdot \hat{n} \Big|_s \end{cases}$$



Hermann von Helmholtz

$$\mathbf{A}'_p = \mathbf{A}_p + \boxed{\nabla \times \mathbf{M}_p + \nabla \phi_p}$$

$$H_R = \int (\vec{A} + \vec{A}_p) \cdot (\vec{B} - \vec{P}) dV,$$

Mixed-type boundary condition

Similar for  $\mathbf{A}$

$$\mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{A} + \boxed{\nabla \times \mathbf{M} + \nabla \phi}$$

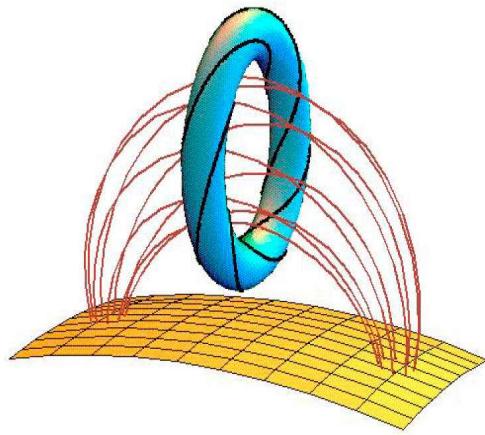
# Remote Magnetic Helicity Calculation System

Please Register Here: <http://sun.bao.ac.cn/NAOCHSOS/rmhcs.htm>

Download Address: <https://github.com/youngastronomy/RMHCS>

Calculate Relative Magnetic Helicity through this system in IDL just run

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## Magnetic Helicity estimations in models and observations of the solar magnetic field

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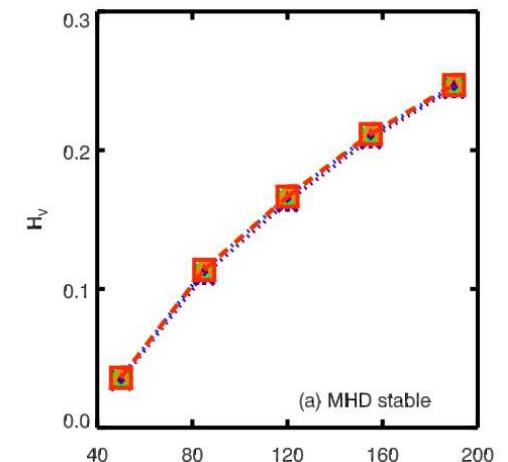
<http://www.issibern.ch/teams/magnetichelicity/>

### Note:

The maximum size of data is **256x256x256, less in 10 minutes.**

the data can be resized to small volume to obtain the very similar results.

Valori et al. 2016 Space Science Review



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## Modeling Relative Magnetic Helicity in Observations

General formula for relative magnetic helicity evolution in a volume

$$\frac{dH_R(V)}{dt} = -2 \int_V (\vec{E} \bullet \vec{B}) dV + 2 \oint_S (\vec{A}_P \times \vec{E}) \bullet d\vec{S}$$

Dissipation + Helicity Flux across boundary

Emerging and Shearing  
Of One Newly Emerging  
Active Regions



Ideal MHD:

$$\frac{dH_R}{dt} = 2 \int_S \left( (\vec{A}_P \bullet \vec{V}) \vec{B} - (\vec{A}_P \bullet \vec{B}) \vec{V} \right) \bullet d\vec{S}$$

Shearing + Emerging

$$\frac{dH_R}{dt} = -2 \int_s (\vec{A}_P \cdot \vec{U}_{LCT}) B_n d\vec{S}$$

Chae et al. (2001)  
Demoulin and Berger (2003)

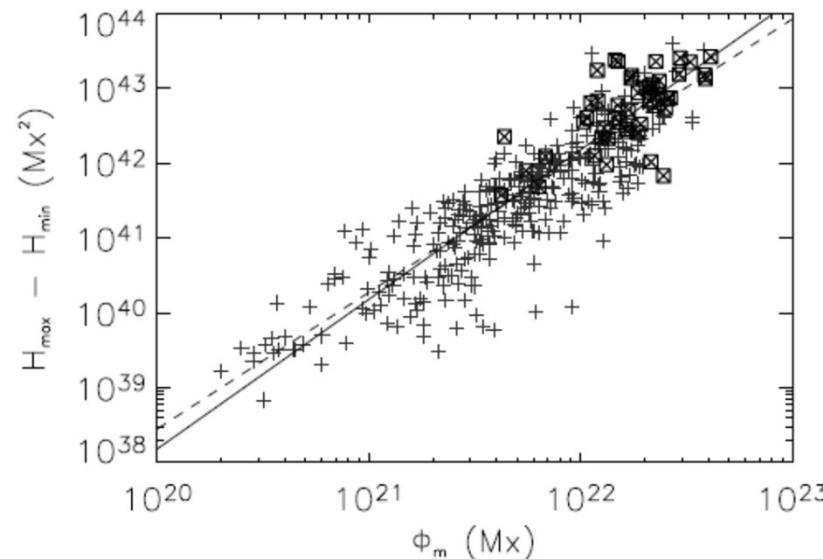
Combine Shearing and Emerging  
Term together

$$H_m(t) = \int_0^t \frac{dH_R(t)}{dt} dt,$$

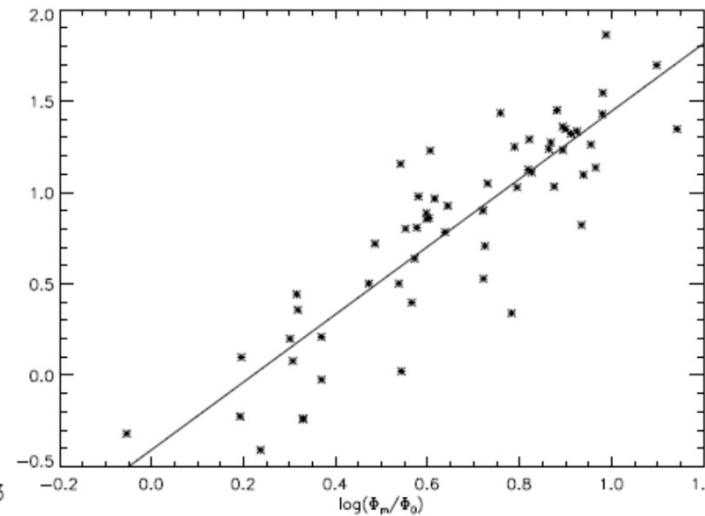
Newly Emerging Active Regions including t=0

# How Twisted in emerging flux tube?

393 Larger ARs



58 Newly Emerging ARs (Simple, small)



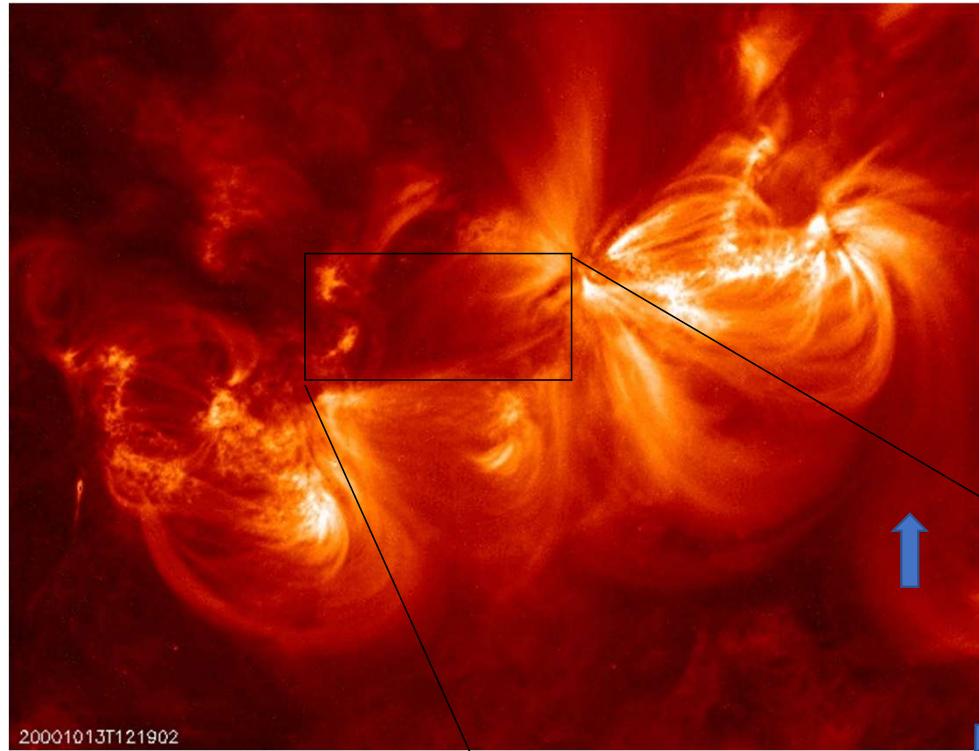
$$H \propto |\Phi|^{1.8}$$

$$\log \frac{H_{\max} - H_{\min}}{H_0} = a \log \frac{\Phi_m}{\Phi_0} + b$$

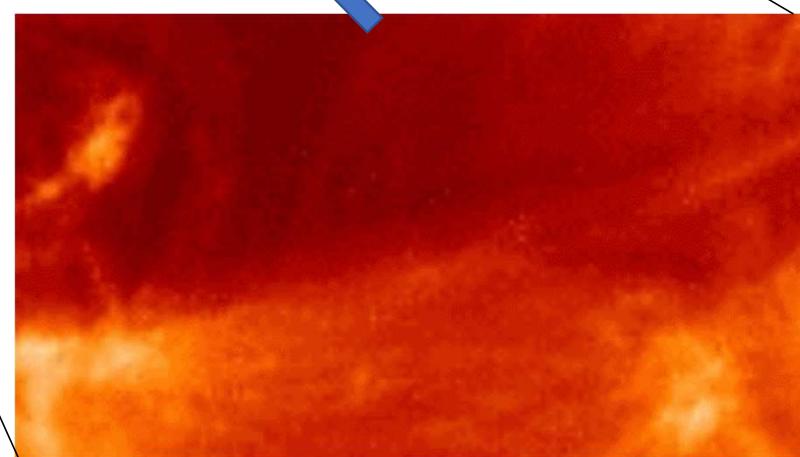
LaBonte, et al. 2007, ApJ,671,955

(**a=1.85** **b=-0.41**) Yang et al. 2009

No matter how big or the solar active regions, they are both twisted similarly in global topology. 11

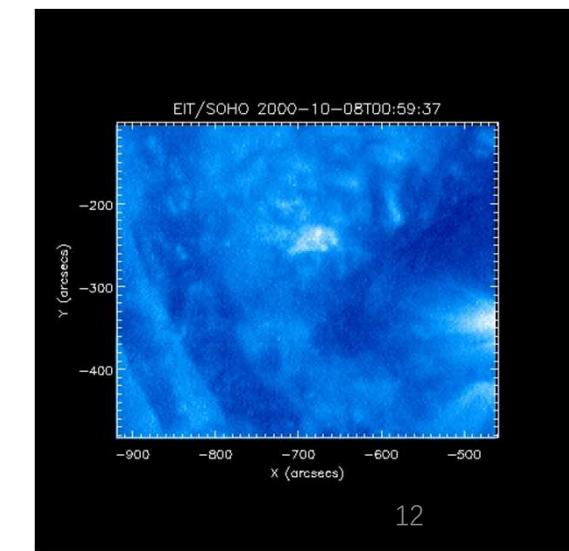
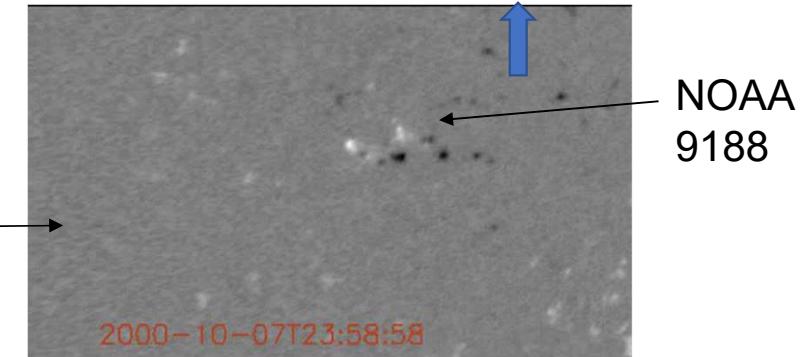


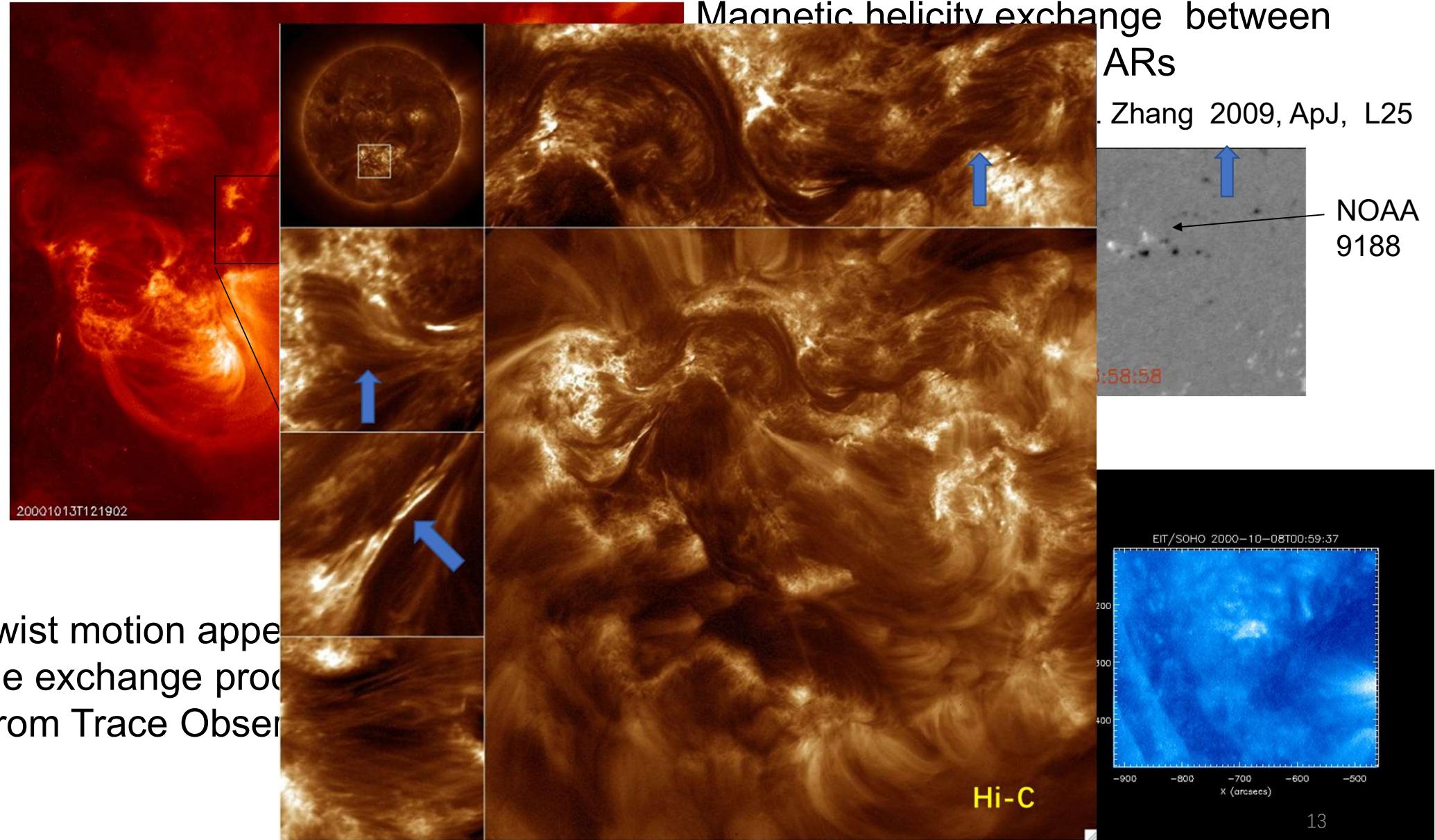
Twist motion appeared in  
the exchange process  
From Trace Observation



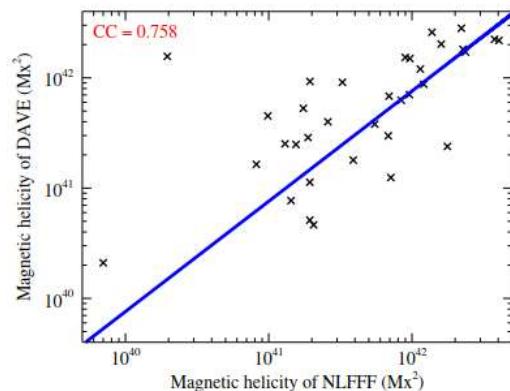
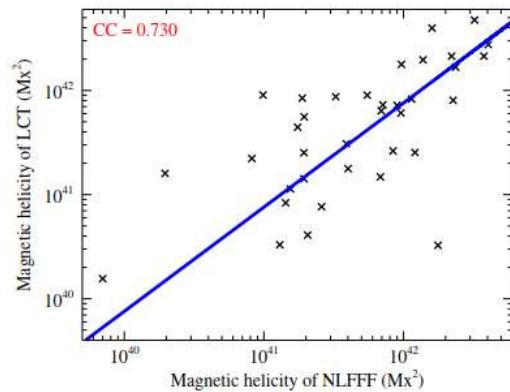
## Magnetic helicity exchange between neighboring emerging ARs

S. Yang, J. Büchner, and H. Zhang 2009, ApJ, L25



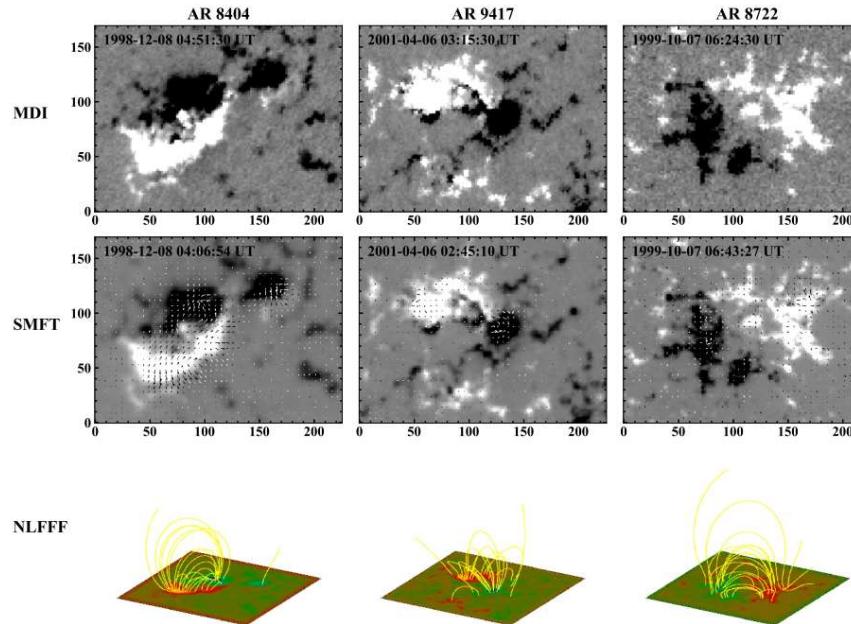


# Comparison of helicity flux and accumulated magnetic helicity



1. Magnetic helicity flux Integration of Newly Emerging Active Regions
2. NLFFF magnetic field and Calculate its Relative magnetic helicity

**Consistence generally but some difference is still there**



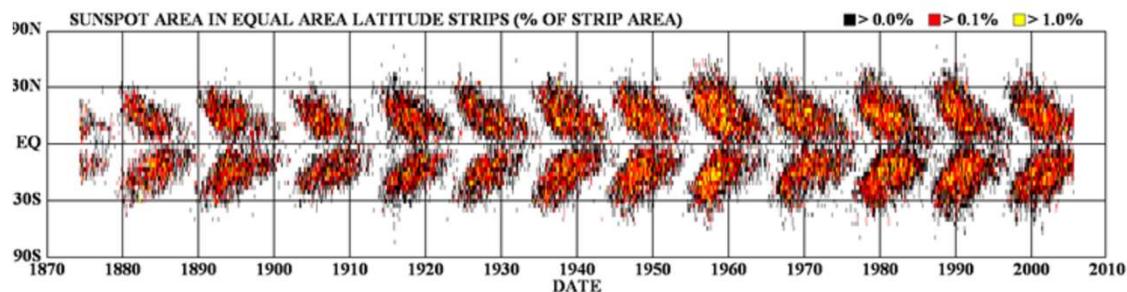
How is magnetic helicity is redistributed in filament, solar corona, solar wind, Interplanetary, magnetic cloud etc. is still an open question.

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# Imbalance of Solar Cycle: Observation Facts

DAILY SUNSPOT AREA AVERAGED OVER INDIVIDUAL SOLAR ROTATIONS



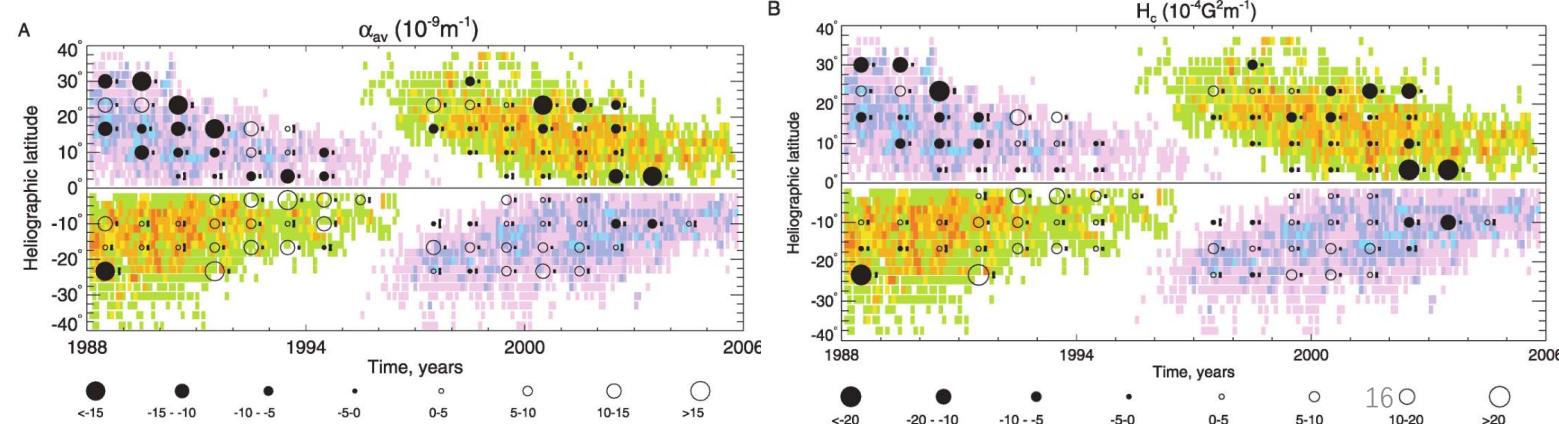
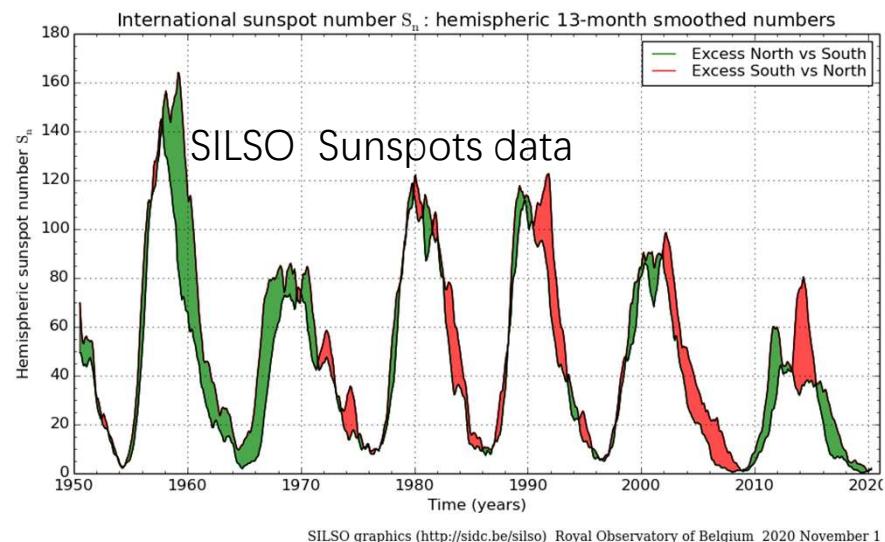
Seehafer (1990)  
Bao & Zhang (1998)

etc...

HHR (Helicity Hemisphere Rule)

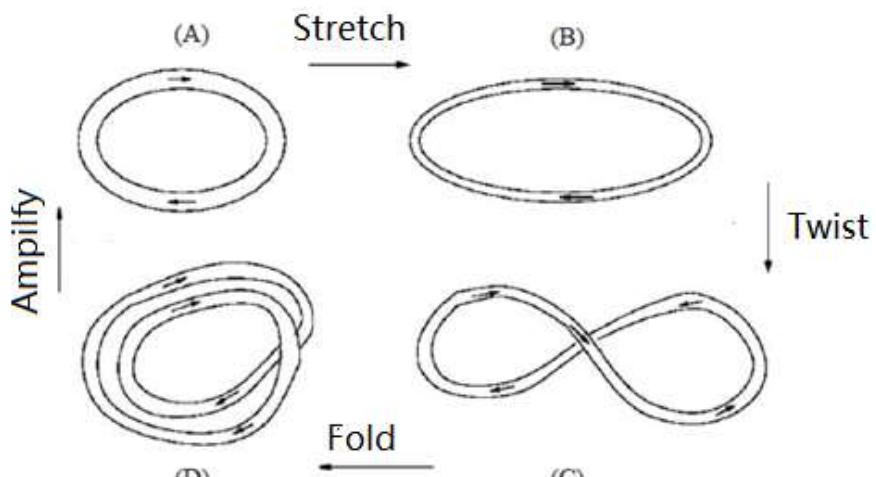
Current helicity diagram from  
Huairou Solar Observation Station

Zhang et al. (2010) MNRAS



# Magnetic helicity in Solar dynamo

Magnetic helicity is conserved in the limit of large  $Rm$

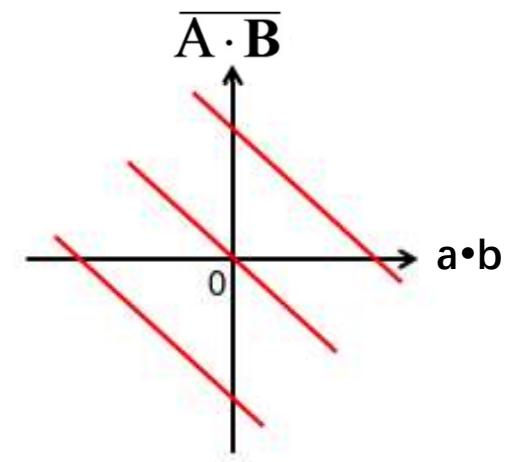


A schematic illustration of the stretch-twist-fold-merge dynamo.

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$$\chi^{(\text{tot})} = ? \quad (-, 0, +)$$

Frisch et al. (1975, 76)  
Hubbard & Brandenburg (2012)  
Pipin et al. (2013)



What's the magnetic helicity evolution in one solar cycle from observation?

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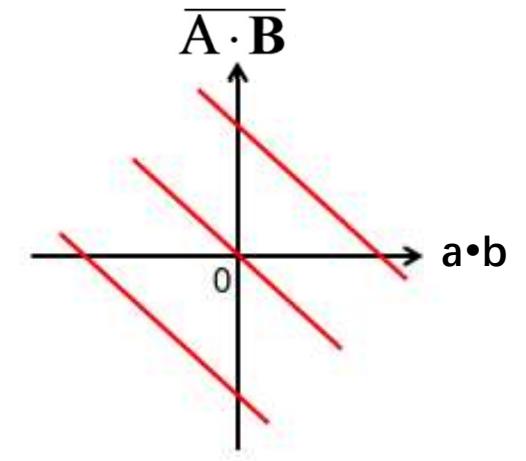
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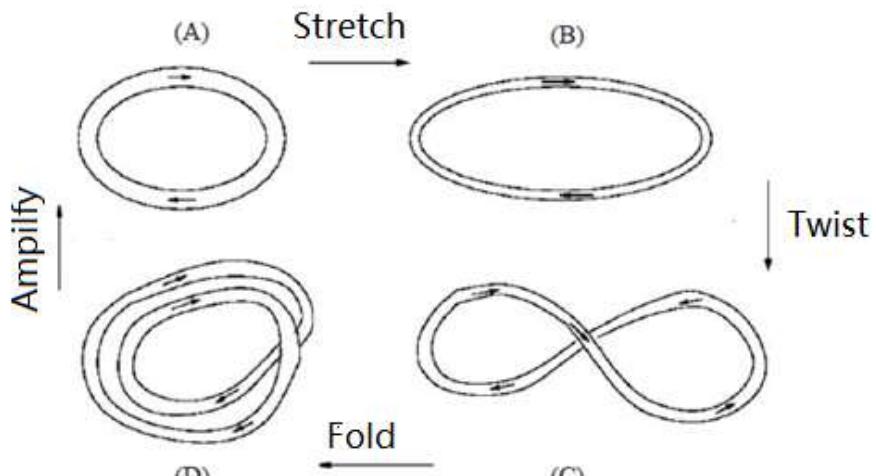
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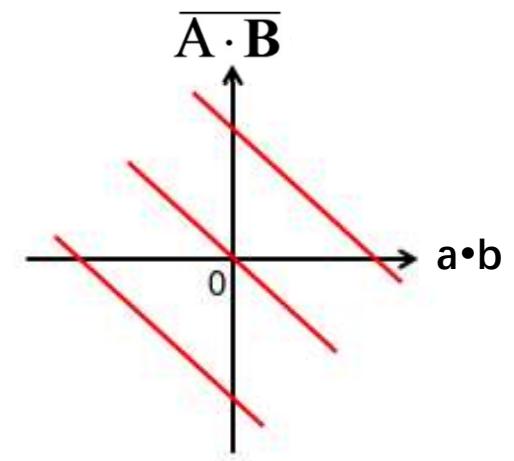


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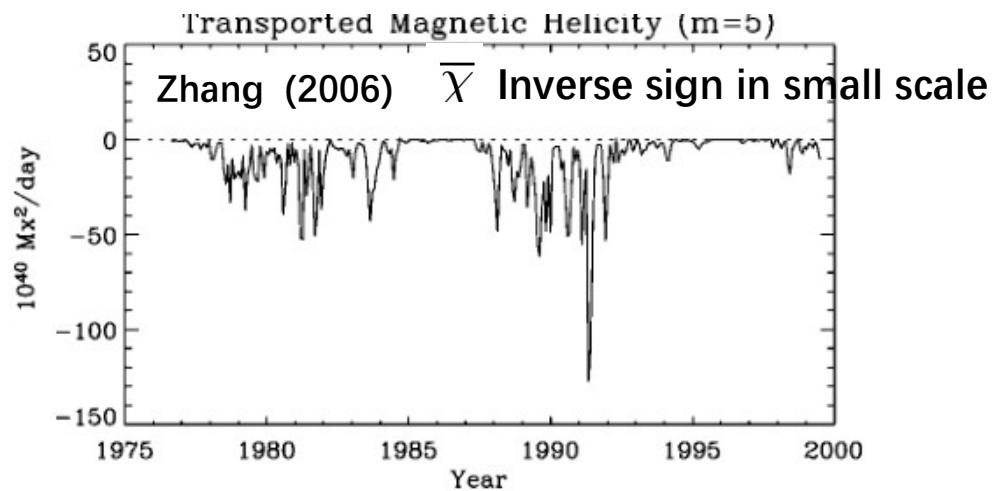
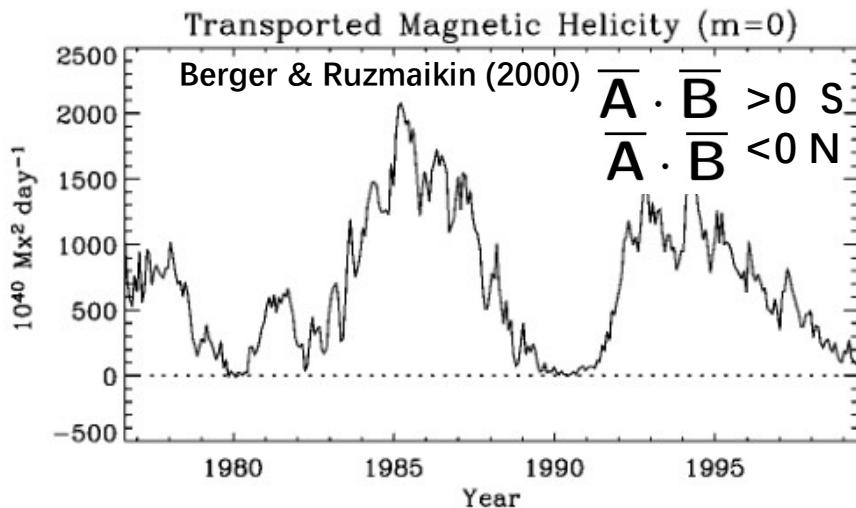


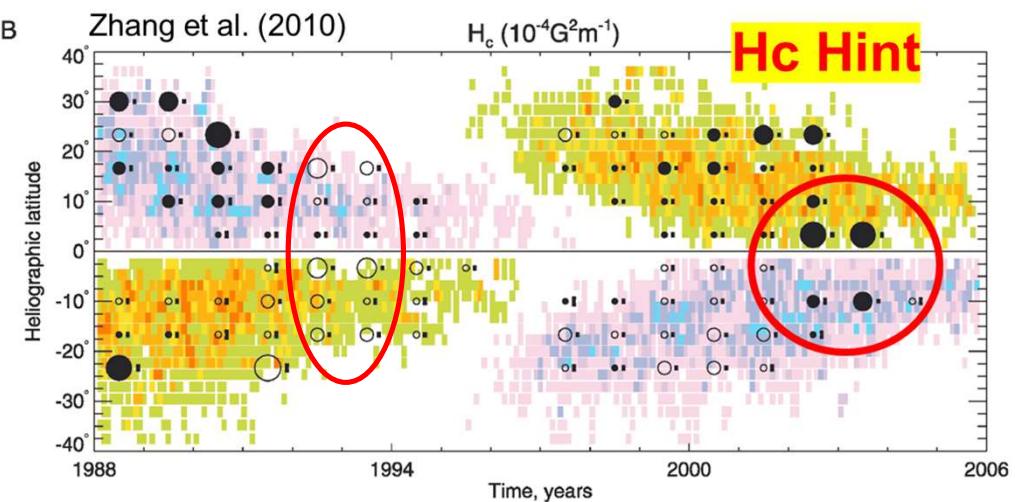
FIG. 3.—Top and middle: Same as in Fig. 2 but for strong fields ( $|B_z| > 1000$  G). Bottom: Same as in Fig. 2 but for  $m = 5$  mode.

**Table 1**  
Results of the Analysis Applied to the Timeseries of Figure 1

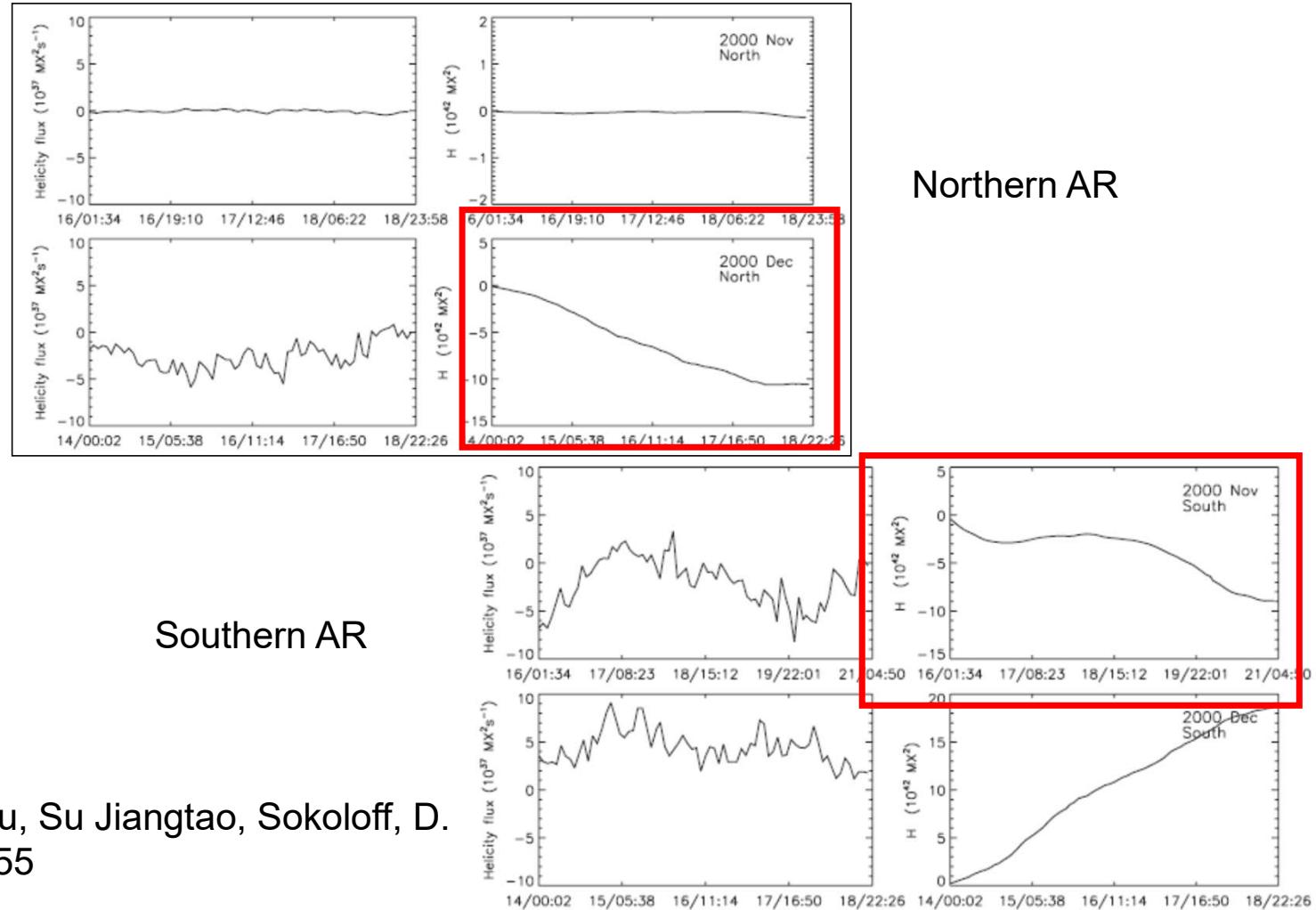
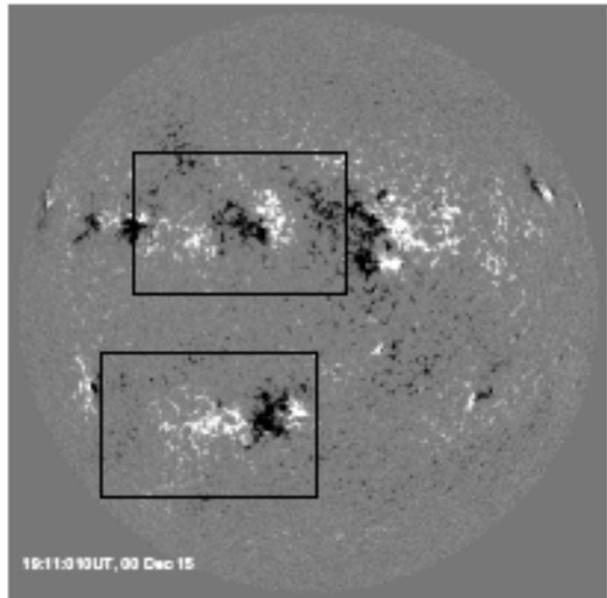
Figure	$N$	Hemisphere	$\Delta H_{m(+)} \times 10^{44} \text{ Mx}^2$	$\Delta H_{m(-)} \times 10^{44} \text{ Mx}^2$	$\varepsilon_{H_m}$	Differential Rotation?
1(a)	393	Both	5.37	-5.45	-0.0076	YES
1(b)	197	Northern	0.9	-4.23	-0.65	YES
1(c)	196	Southern	4.47	-1.22	0.57	YES
1(d)	393	Both	4.12	-4.28	-0.019	NO
1(e)	197	Northern	1.66	-2.53	-0.21	NO
1(f)	196	Southern	2.46	-1.75	0.17	NO

Net Magnetic helicity in 23<sup>rd</sup> Solar cycle is approximately Zero.

M. K. Georgoulis et al. (2009)

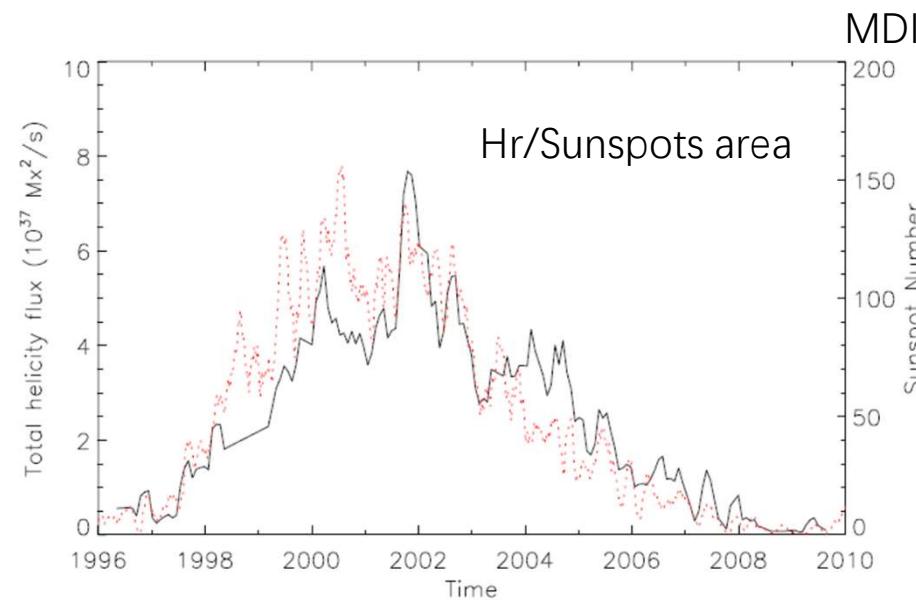
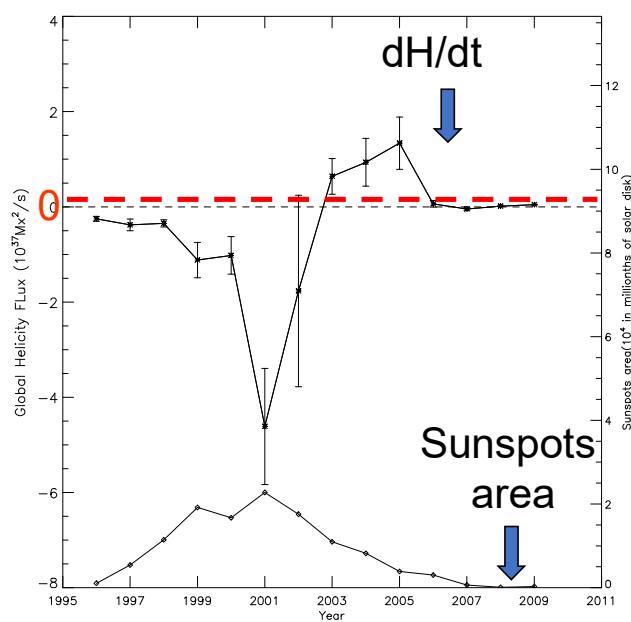
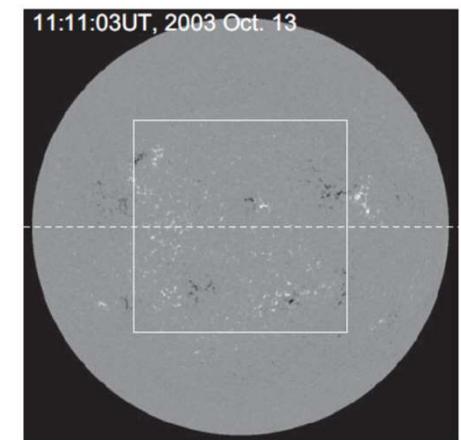
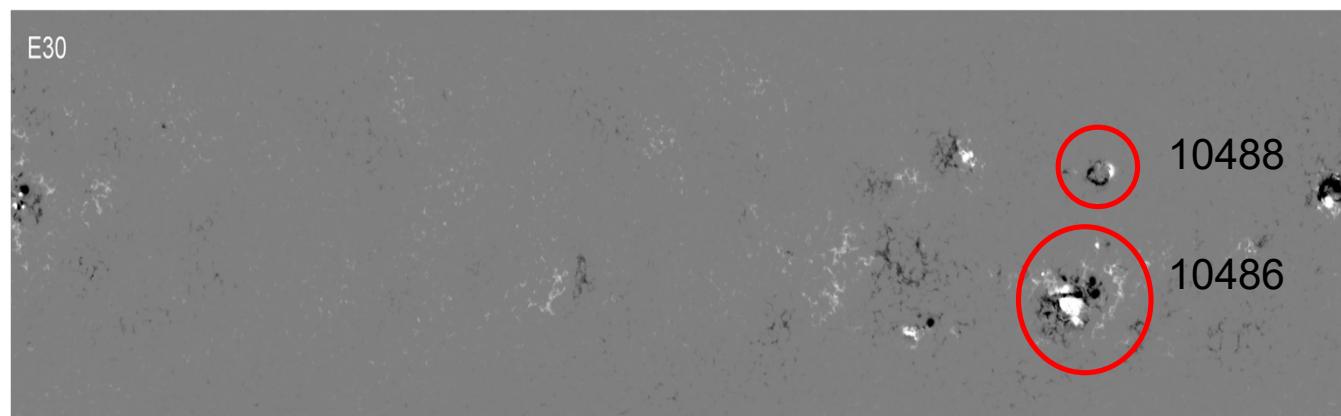


Two Hemispheres have the same sign of helicity transport



Zhang Hongqi, Yang Shangbin, Gao Yu, Su Jiangtao, Sokoloff, D. D. & Kuzanyan. K 2010, ApJ, 719, 1955

# Imbalance of magnetic helicity with solar cycles-23 solar cycle



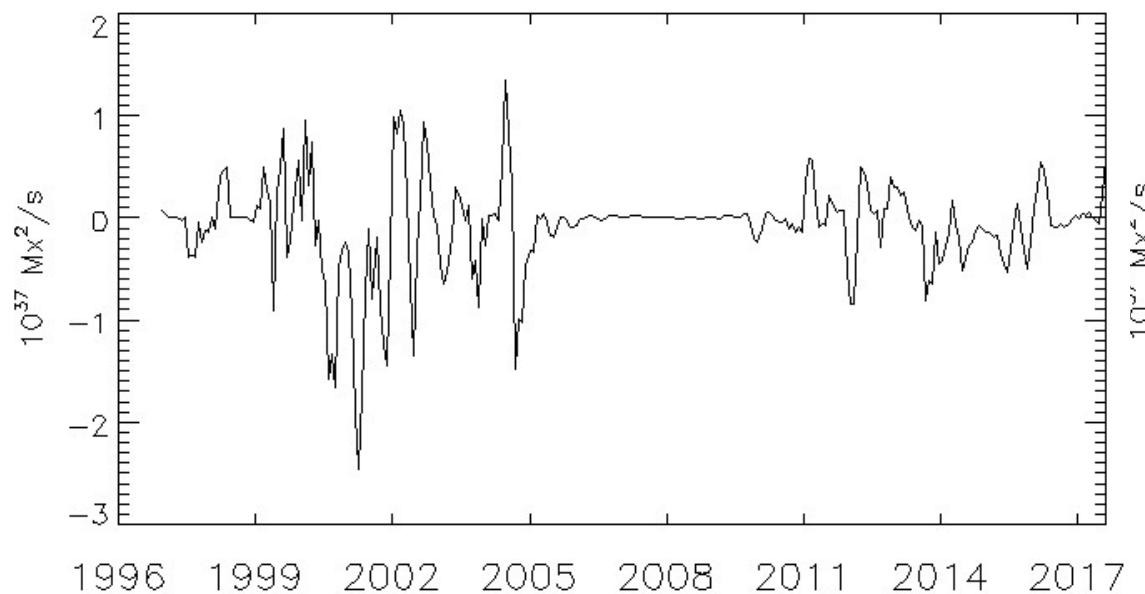
$\sim 10^{46} \text{ Mx}^2$   
**Solar Cycle**

Yang Shangbin & Zhang Hongqi 2012,ApJ

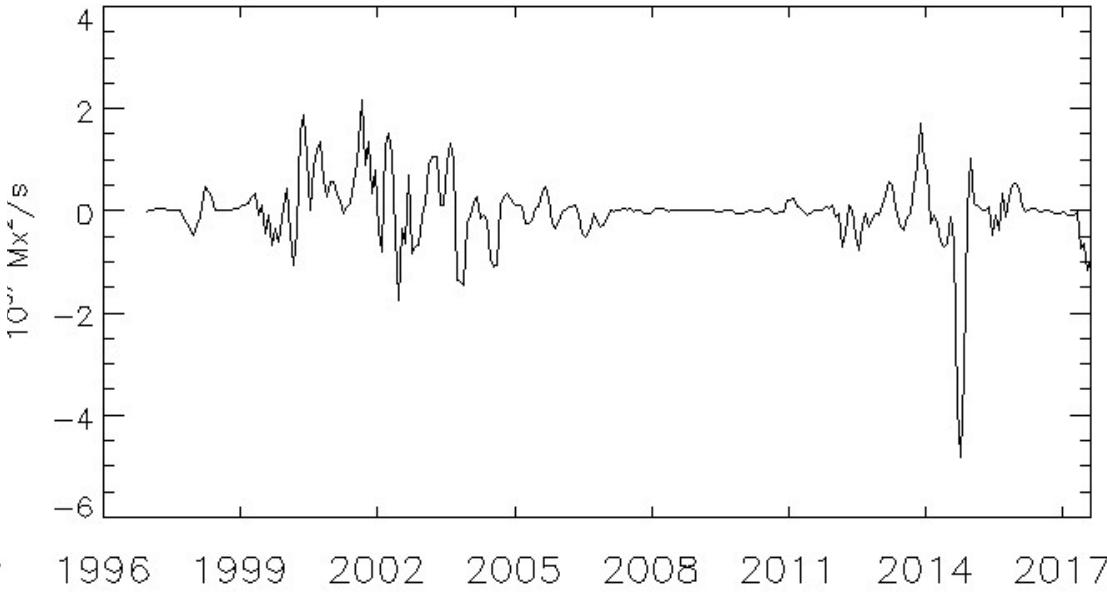
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# Imbalance of magnetic helicity fluxes with solar cycles 23-24

Northern Hemisphere



Southern Hemisphere



Mixture of positive and negative helicity flux with solar cycles

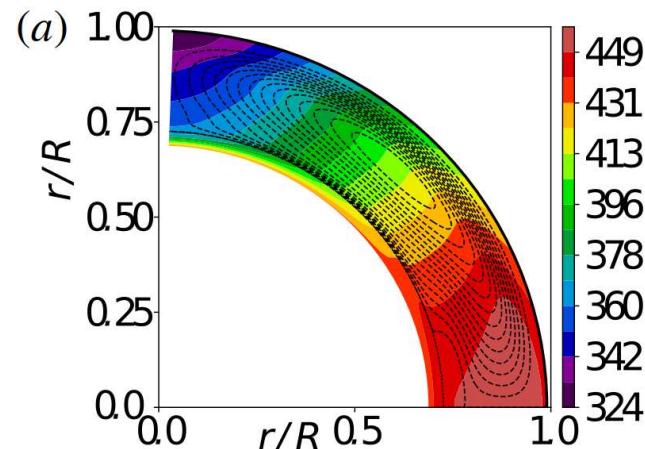
## Solar Dynamo Modeling

$$\frac{\partial \bar{\mathbf{B}}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\mathcal{E} + \bar{\mathbf{U}} \times \bar{\mathbf{B}})$$

- MeanField Dynamo Pipin, V. V. & Kosovichev (2018, 2019)

$$\mathcal{E}_i = (\alpha_{ij} + \gamma_{ij}^{(\Lambda)}) \bar{B}_j + \eta_{ijk} \nabla_j \bar{B}_k.$$

α-effect      Pumping effect      Diffusive Tensor



Meridional flow

- Total helicity Conservation  $\bar{\chi}^{(\text{tot})} = \bar{\mathbf{A}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{B}} = \bar{\mathbf{A}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{B}} + \bar{\mathbf{a}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{b}}$  Large Scale+Small Scale

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int \bar{\chi}^{(\text{tot})} dV = -2\eta \int \{\bar{\mathbf{B}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{J}} + \bar{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{j}}\} dV - \int \nabla \cdot \mathcal{F}^\chi dV \quad \text{Hubbard \& Brandenburg (2012)}$$

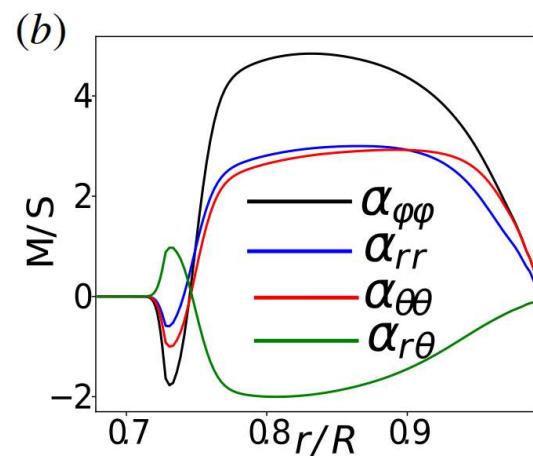
$$\frac{\partial \bar{\chi}^{(\text{tot})}}{\partial t} = -\frac{\bar{\chi}}{R_m \tau_c} - 2\eta \bar{\mathbf{B}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{J}} - \nabla \cdot \mathcal{F}^\chi - (\bar{\mathbf{U}} \cdot \nabla) \bar{\chi}^{(\text{tot})}.$$

Small-scale

Current-Dissipation

Helicity flux at the boundary

Large Scale flow



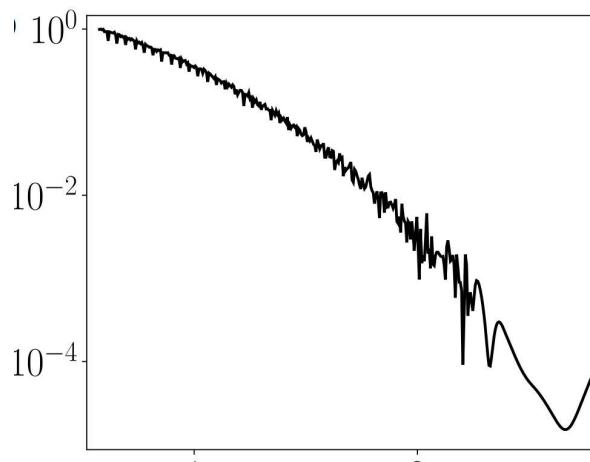
$\alpha$ -effect (lat=45°)

# Dynamo Parameter Setting

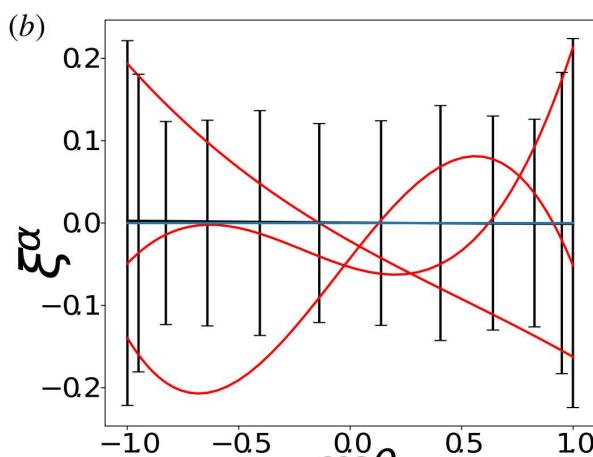
Guerrero, Chattejee & Brandenburg (2010)

$$\alpha_{ij} = C_\alpha (1 + \boxed{\xi^{(\alpha)}(t, \theta)}) \alpha_{ij}^{(H)} + \alpha_{ij}^{(M)},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \bar{\chi}^{(\text{tot})}}{\partial t} = & -\frac{\bar{\chi}}{R_m \tau_c} - 2\eta \bar{\mathbf{B}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{J}} - \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} \\ & - \frac{\tau_\xi(r)}{\tau_{0r}} \sin^2 \theta (\boxed{\xi^{(\chi)}(t, \theta)} \bar{\chi} + \boxed{\xi^{(m)}(t, \theta)} \bar{\chi}^{(m)}) \end{aligned}$$



RENEWAL Time Distribution

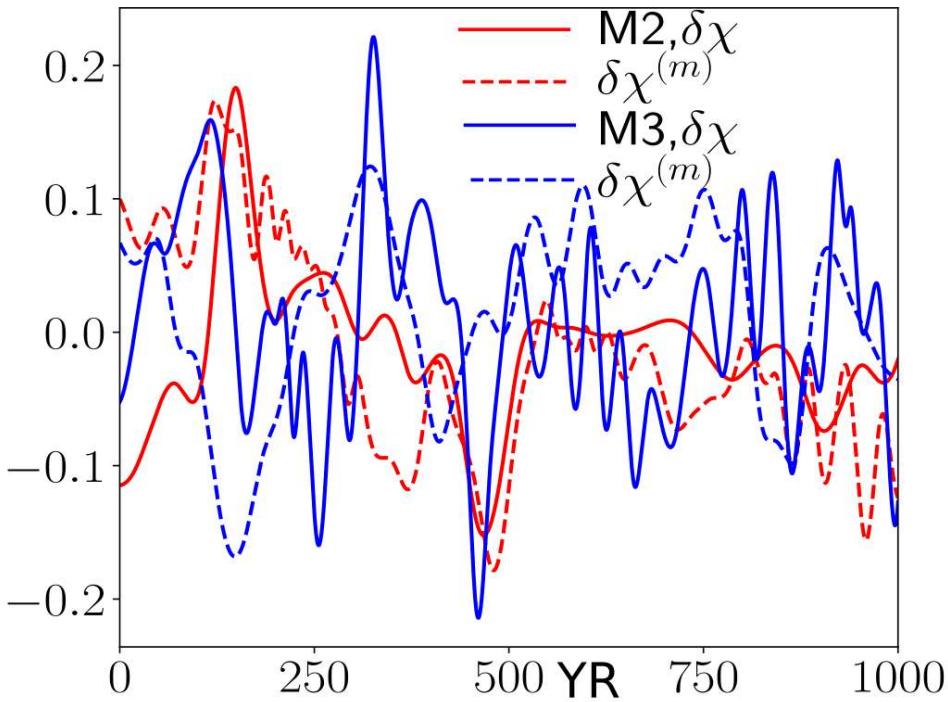


Latitude Distribution

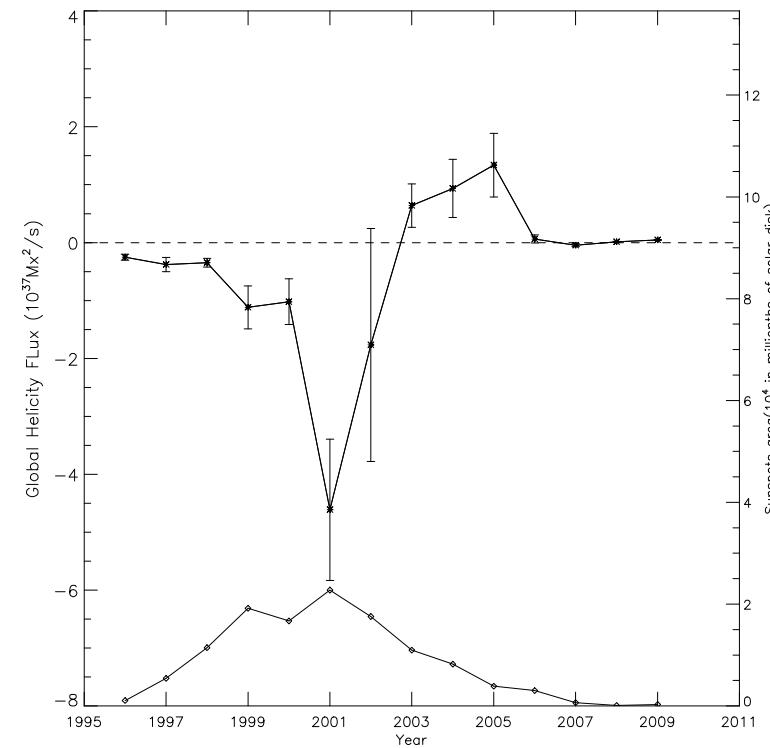
$$\tau_\xi(r) = \frac{1}{2} [1 - \text{erf}(100(r_0 - r))]$$

Model	$\xi^{(\alpha)}$	$\xi^{(\chi)}$	$\xi^{(m)}$
M1	Yes	No	No
M2	$\langle \xi^{(\alpha)} \rangle$	No	Yes
M3	$\langle \xi^{(\alpha)} \rangle$	Yes	No
M4	$\langle \xi^{(\alpha)} \rangle$	Yes	Yes

## Model Simulation



## Observations



Show the imbalance evolution of magnetic helicity with solar cycles in the observations

# Outline

- 1. Modeling Relative Magnetic Helicity**
- 2. Magnetic Helicity in Newly Emerging Active Regions**
- 3. Magnetic Helicity With Solar Cycles**
- 4. Magnetic Helicity in the Solar Eruption**

# Theoretical analysis-I

Sturrock 2001, ApJ, 548

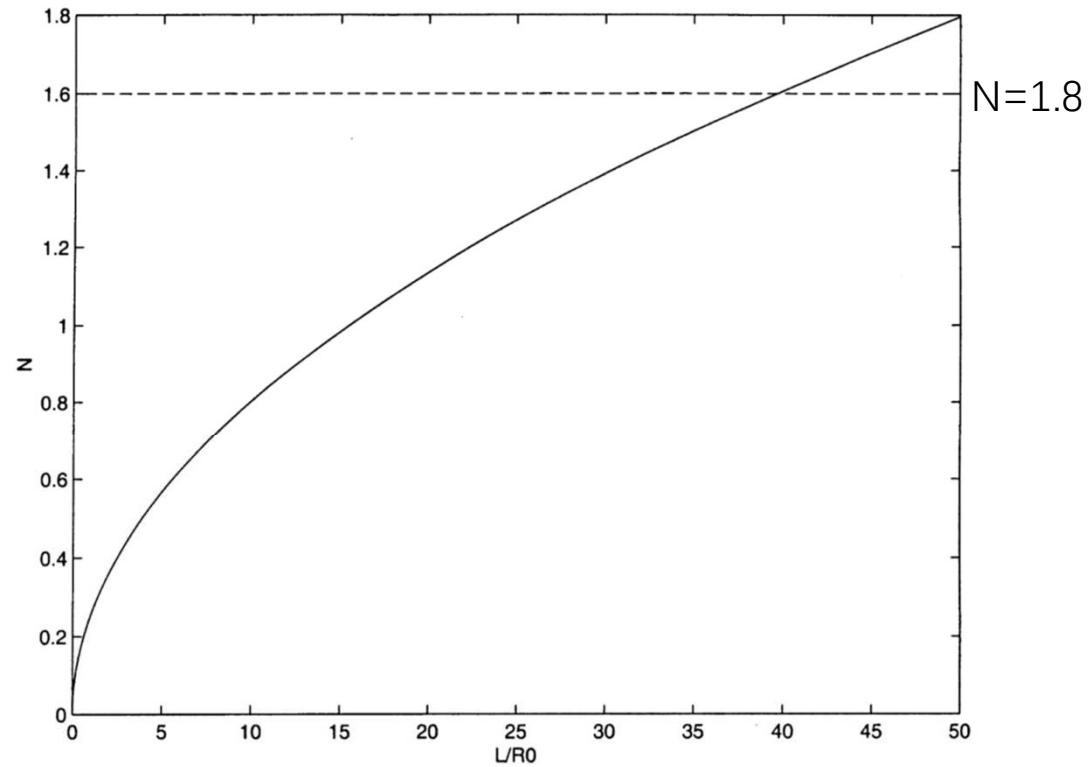


FIG. 4.—Comparison of the energetic condition for eruption and the stability condition.

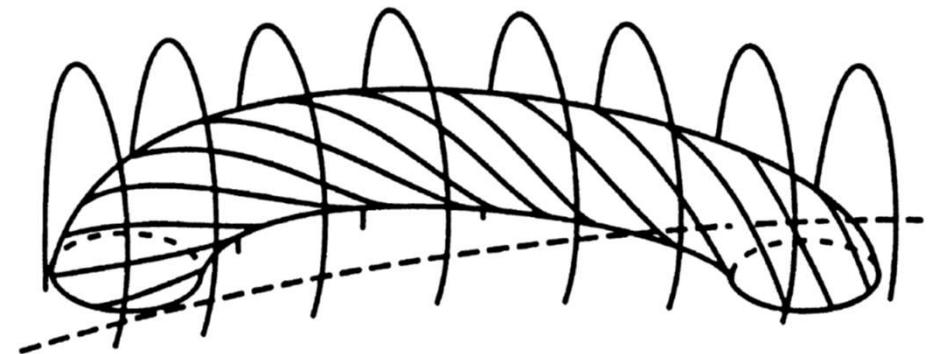


FIG. 1.—Schematic model of a long twisted flux tube held down by an overlying magnetic arcade.

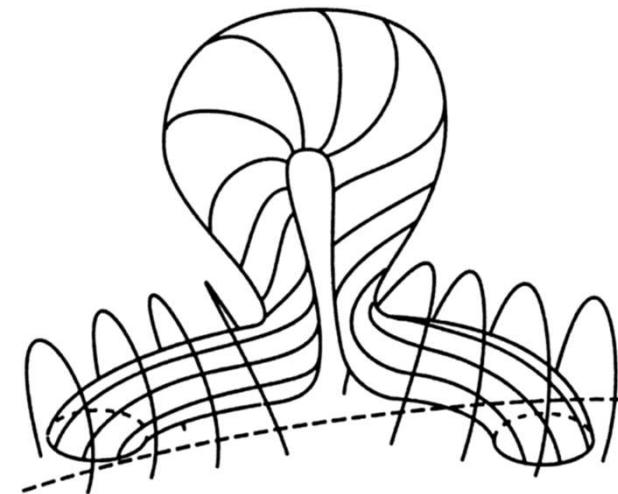
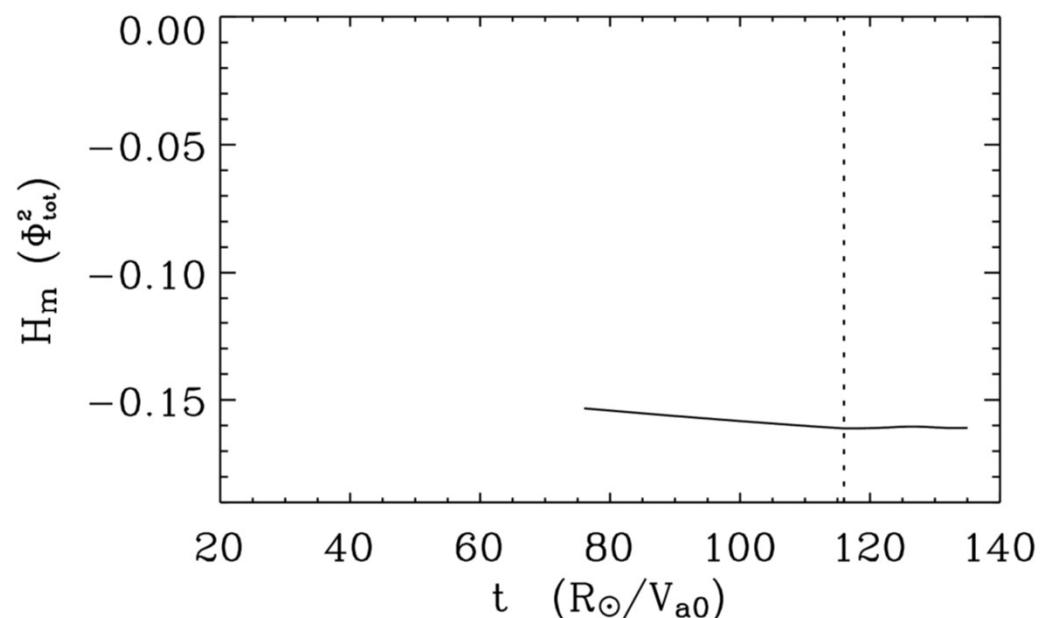


FIG. 2.—Schematic depiction of the evolution of the flux tube following the eruption of part of the tube through the arcade.

# Ideal MHD simulation

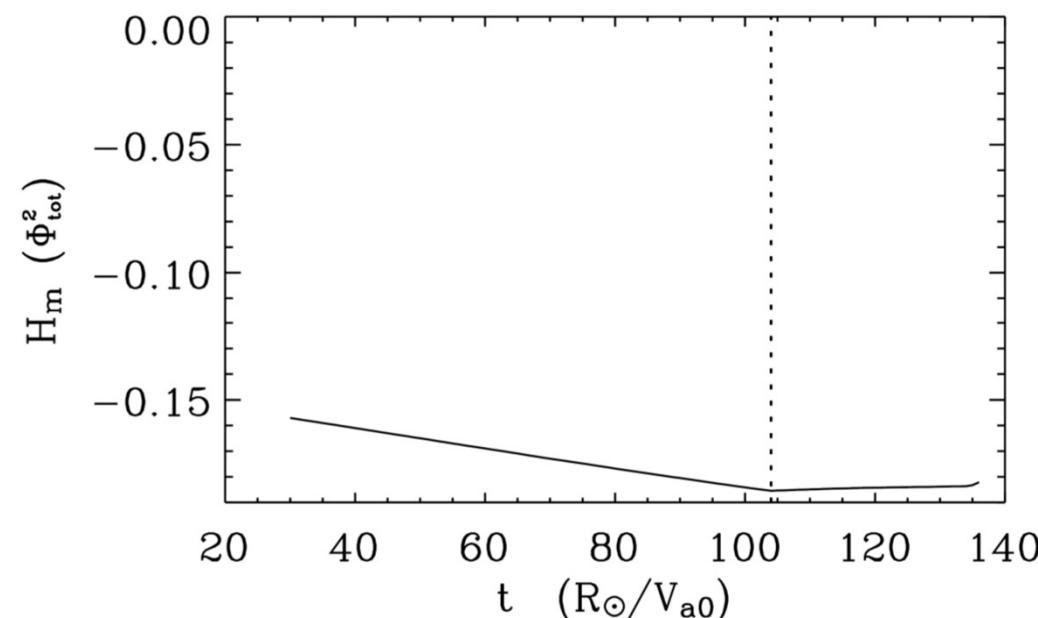
Fan (2006,2007)

Case of Kink instability



$N = -0.16$  when eruption happened

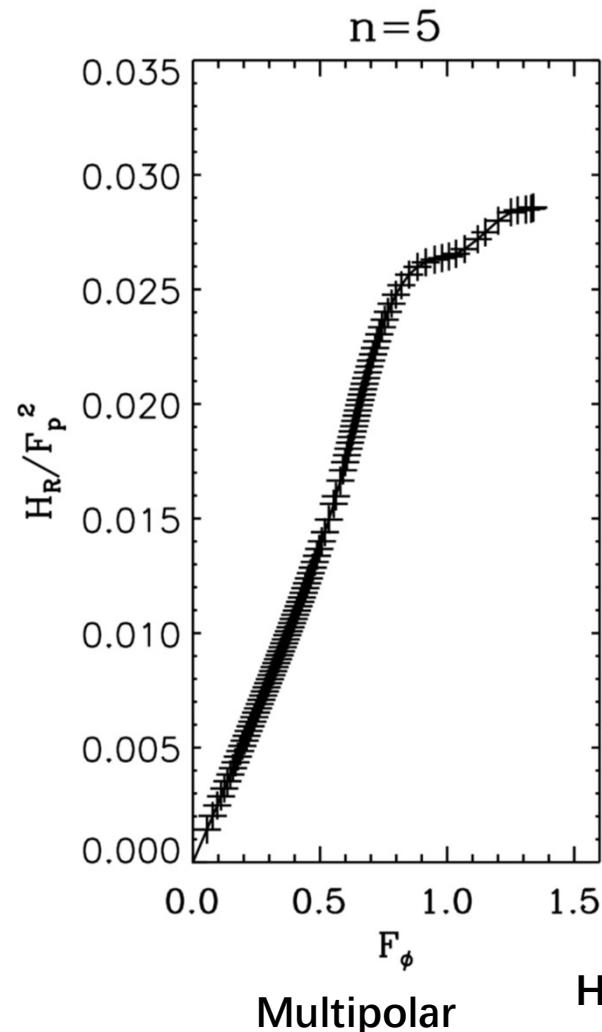
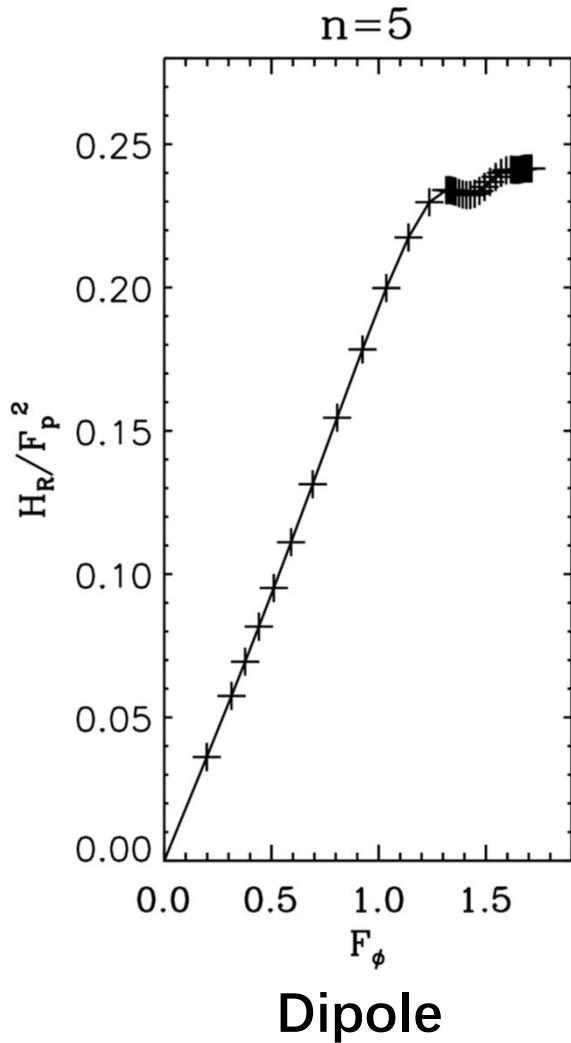
Case of torus instability



$N = -0.18$  when eruption happened

# Theoretical analysis-II

Zhang & Flyer (2008)



Arnold 1974 : For a divergence-free vector field  $\xi$ ,  $E(\xi) \geq C \cdot |H(\xi)|$ , where  $C$  is a positive constant dependent on the shape and size of the compact domain  $M$ .

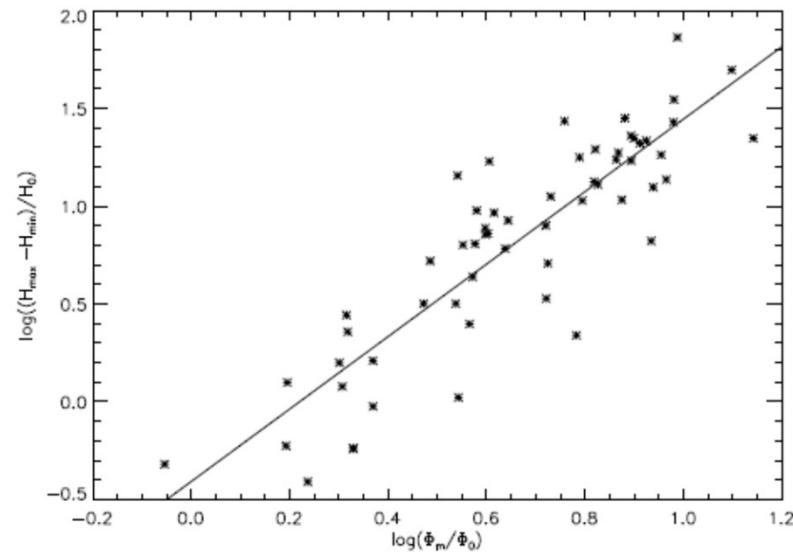
$$-C^{-1} |E_m| \leq H_m \leq C^{-1} |E_m|$$

Magnetic helicity Bounded by Energy.

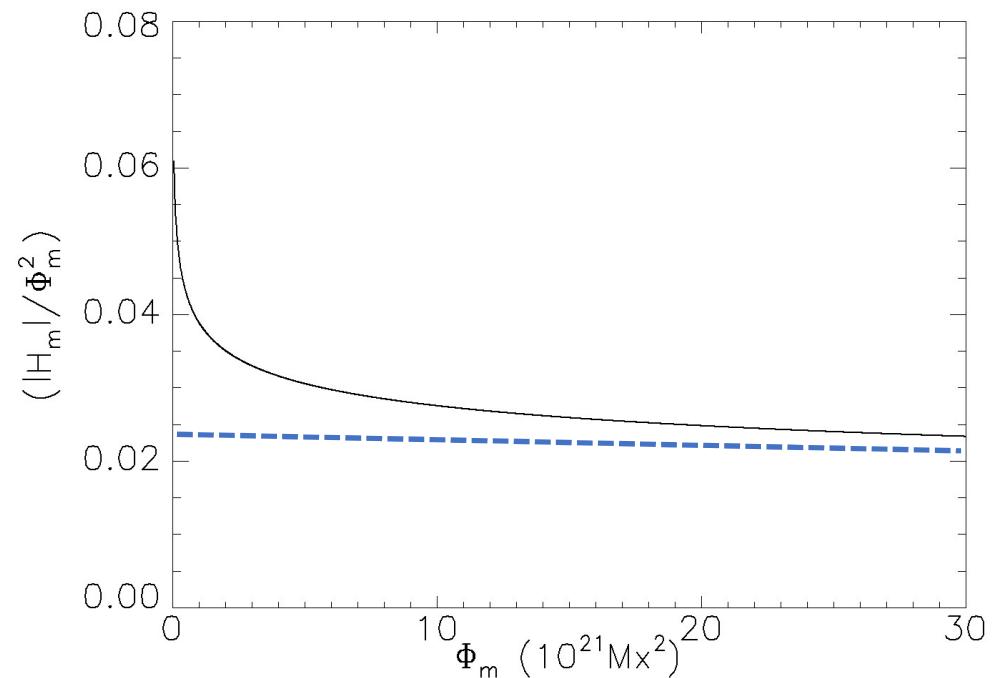
Up-limit of magnetic helicity is much smaller in the multipolar field than in the dipole field.

How about in the Observations and Simulations?

## Normalized magnetic helicity in the newly emerging active regions



$$\log \frac{H_{\max} - H_{\min}}{H_0} = a \log \frac{\Phi_m}{\Phi_0} + b$$



As magnetic flux increased, the normalized helicity is approaching to the limit.

# Modeling Relative magnetic helicity in MHD simulation

- Data-Driven 3D MHD Model (GOEMHD3)

Buchner et al. 2004ab; Buchner 2006; Santos and Buchner 2007

Santos et al. 2008; Skala et al. 2015; Yang et al. 2013; Yang et al. 2018

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \rho \vec{u}$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho \vec{u}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \rho \vec{u} \vec{u} - \nabla p + \vec{j} \times \vec{B} - \nu \rho (\vec{u} - \vec{u}_0)$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\vec{u} \times \vec{B} - \eta \vec{j})$$

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot p \vec{u} - (\gamma - 1) p \nabla \cdot \vec{u} + (\gamma - 1) \eta j^2$$

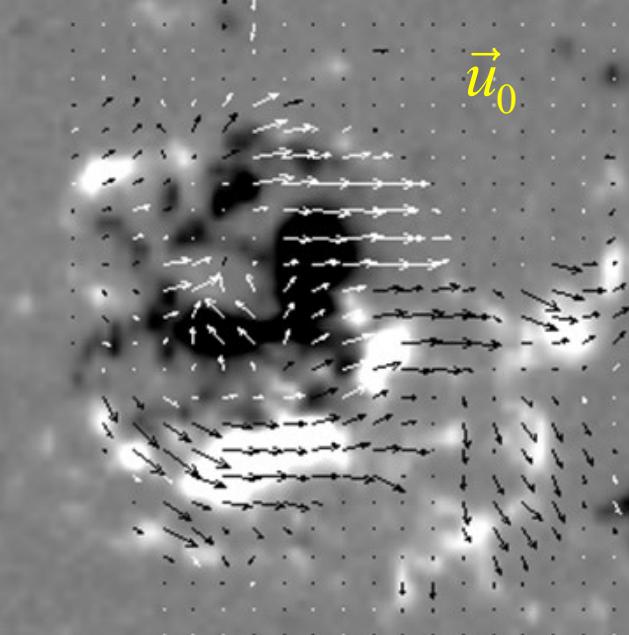
$$\vec{E} = \vec{u} \times \vec{B} - \eta \vec{j} \quad \nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{j} \quad p = 2n k_B T$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} &= \\ \frac{\partial \rho \vec{u}}{\partial t} &= \quad \text{Background flow } \vec{u}_0 \\ \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} &= \quad (\vec{u} - \vec{u}_0) \\ \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} &= -1) \eta j^2\end{aligned}$$


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## Modeling Relative magnetic helicity in MHD simulated

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$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \rho \vec{u}$$

Current depended anomalous resistivity

$$\eta = \eta_0 + \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } |\mathbf{j}| < j_{crit} \\ \eta_0 \left( \frac{|\mathbf{j}|}{j_{crit}} - 1 \right)^2 & \text{if } |\mathbf{j}| \geq j_{crit} \end{cases}$$

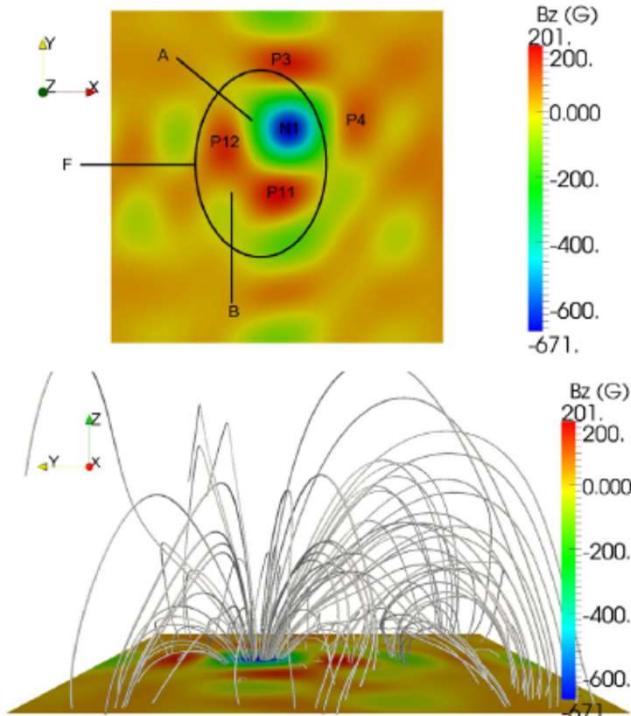
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# Modeling Relative magnetic helicity in MHD simulation

Case-I (magnetic reconnection without eruption)

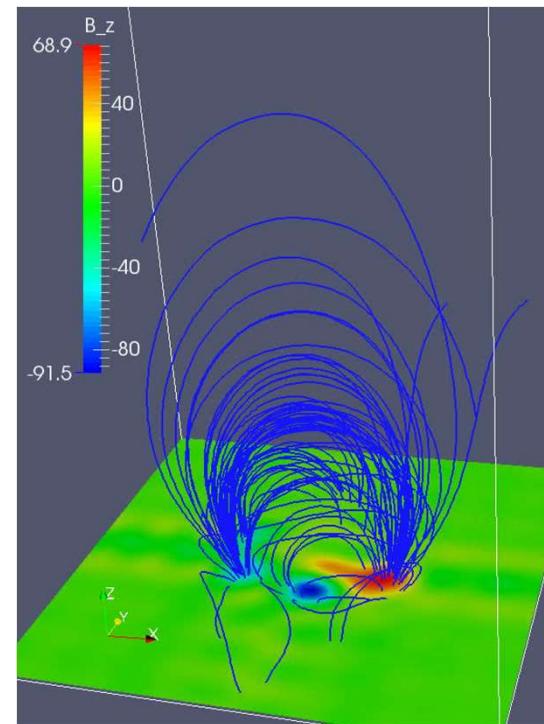
NOAA 8210



Yang et al. (2013) Solar Physics

Case-II (magnetic reconnection with eruption)

NOAA 11429



Yang et al. 2018, A&A

# Our Simulation Results

**Resistivity Model-I:** Swith on/off

Yang et al. (2013)

$$\eta = \begin{cases} \eta_0 & |j| < j_{crit} \\ \eta_1 & |j| > j_{crit} \end{cases}$$

No Eruption  
Only Reconnection

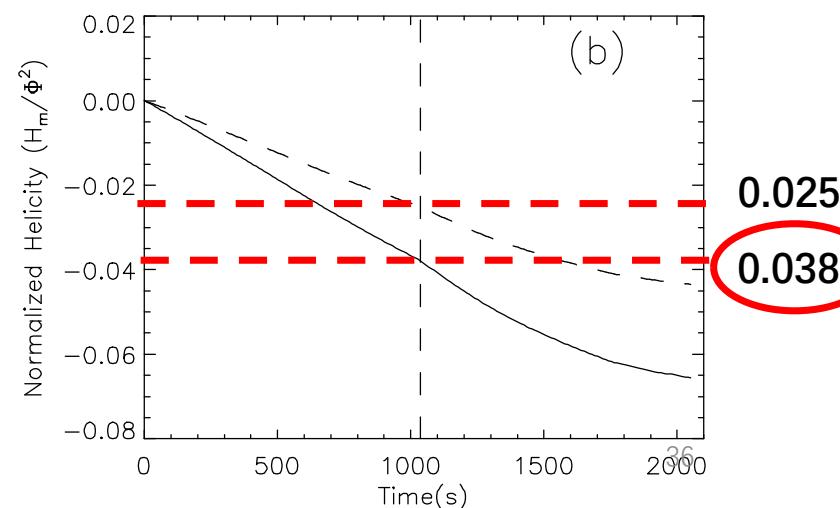
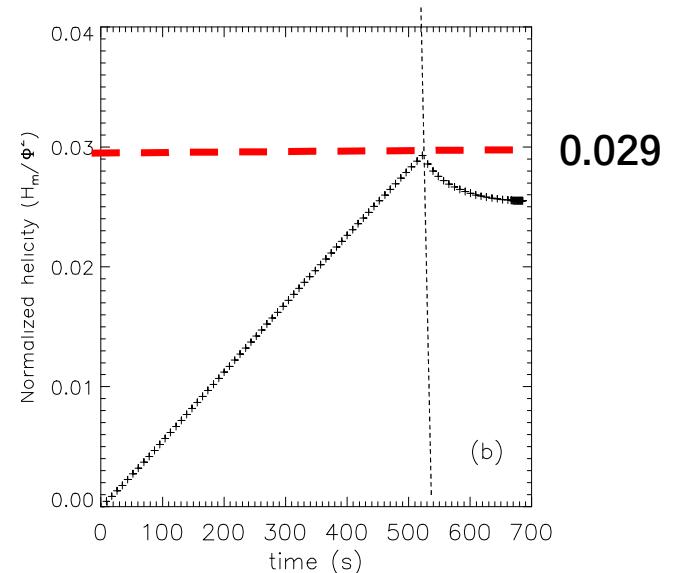
**Resistivity Model-II:** Current dependence

Yang et al. (2018)

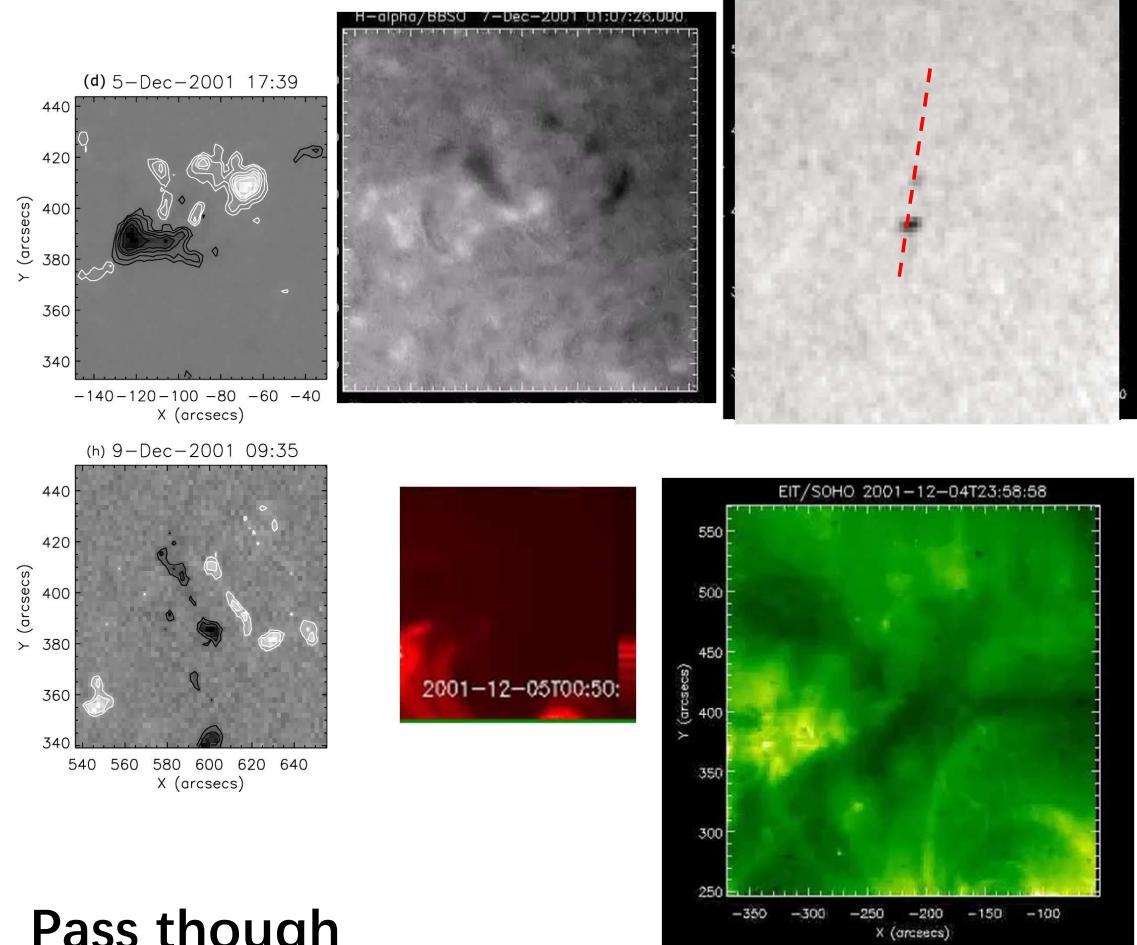
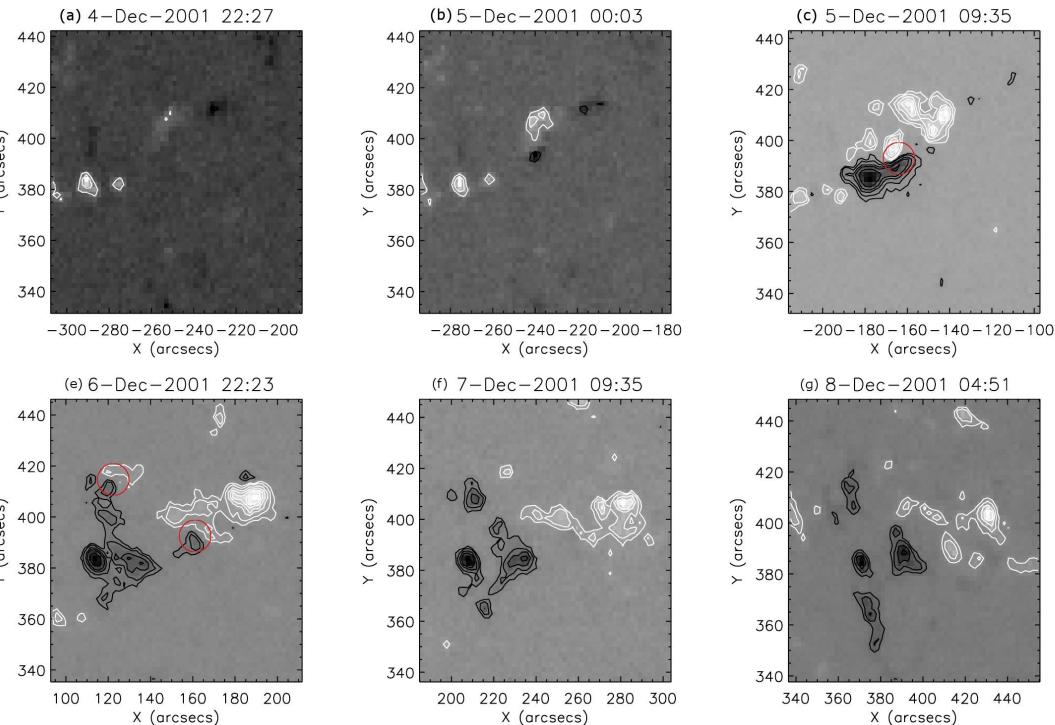
$$\eta = \eta_0 + \begin{cases} 0, & if |j| < j_{crit} \\ \eta_0(\frac{|j|}{j_{crit}} - 1)^2 & if |j| \geq j_{crit} \end{cases}$$

$$j_{crit} = nev_{dift} \quad (v_{drift} = v_{Thermal})$$

With Eruption  
also Reconnection  
Only 2% magnetic  
Helicity escaped



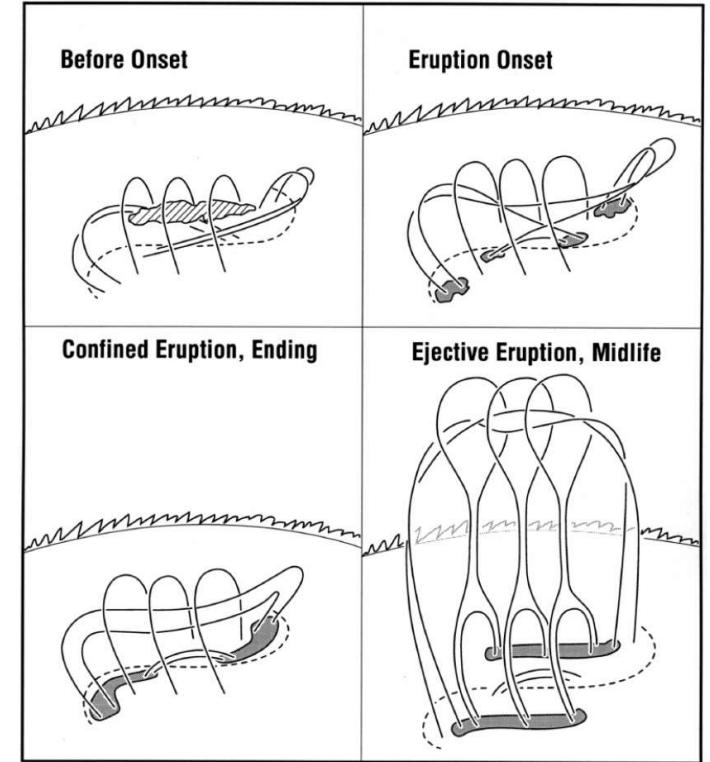
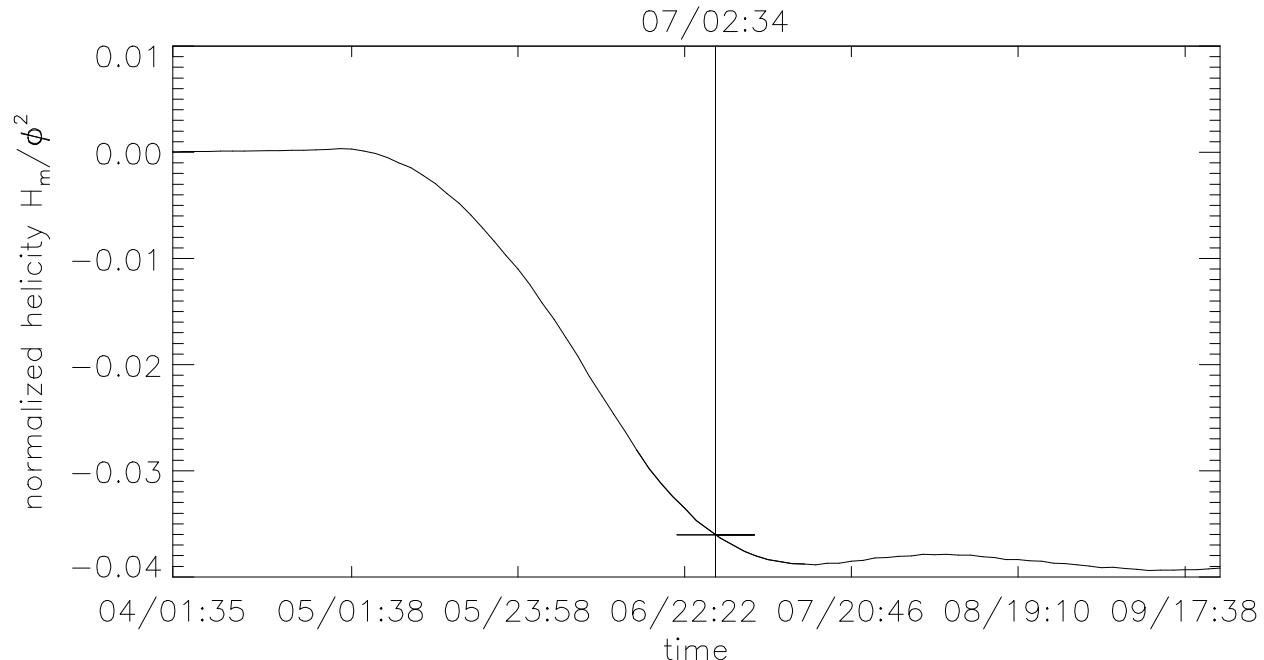
# Case Study NOAA9279



Once Emerging, Once Eruption, Once Pass though  
Disappear before approaching the solar limb

Yang, S, et al. AdSpR. 2015

# Magnetic Helicity accumulation of NOAA9729



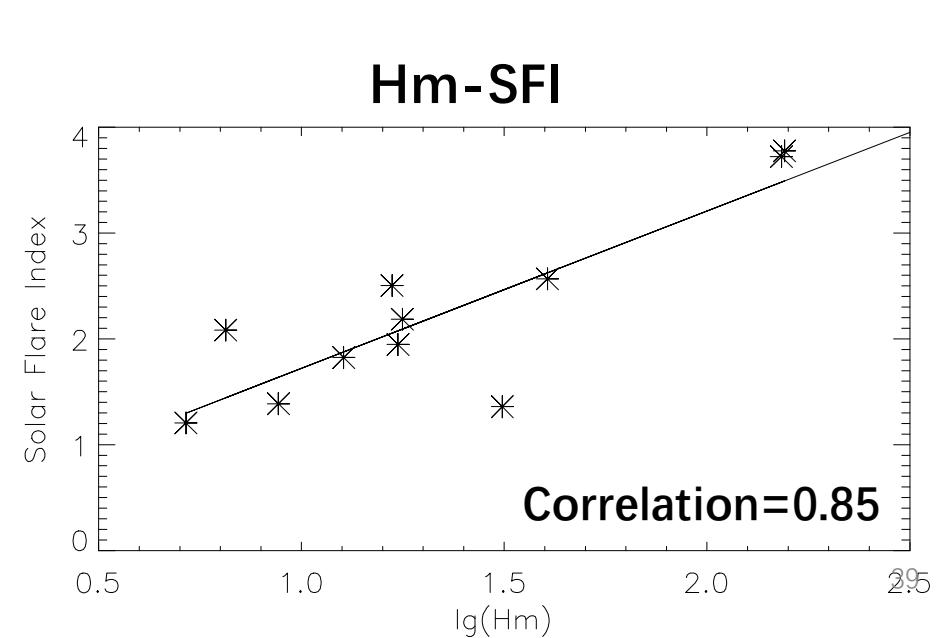
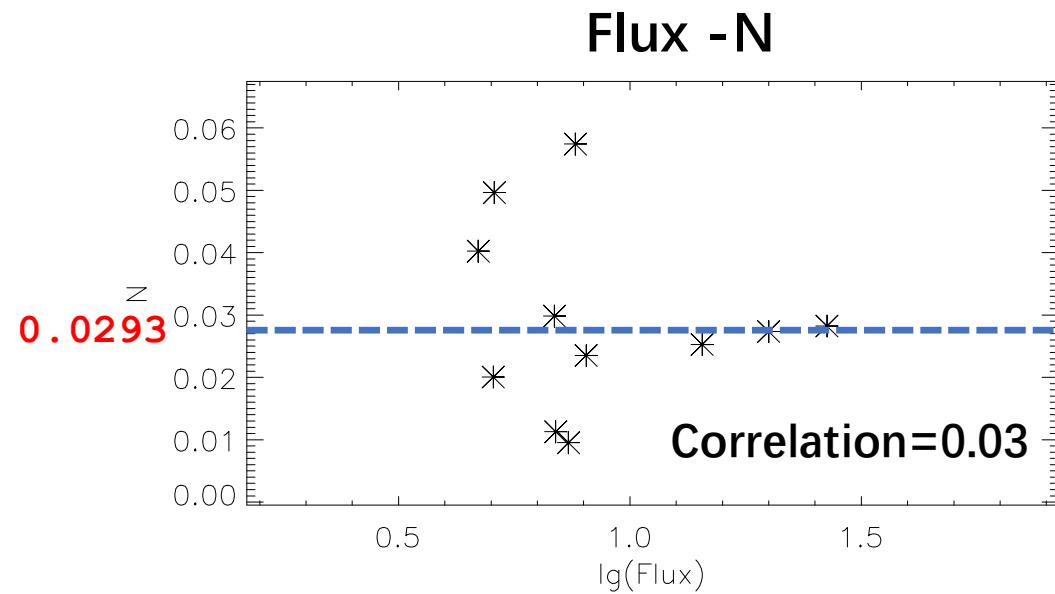
- The Solar Eruption occurred while helicity approached the maximum.
- The normalized Helicity (twist number) is 0.036 when solar eruption happened.
- Eruption process satisfy Tether-cutting Model

Moore et al. 2001

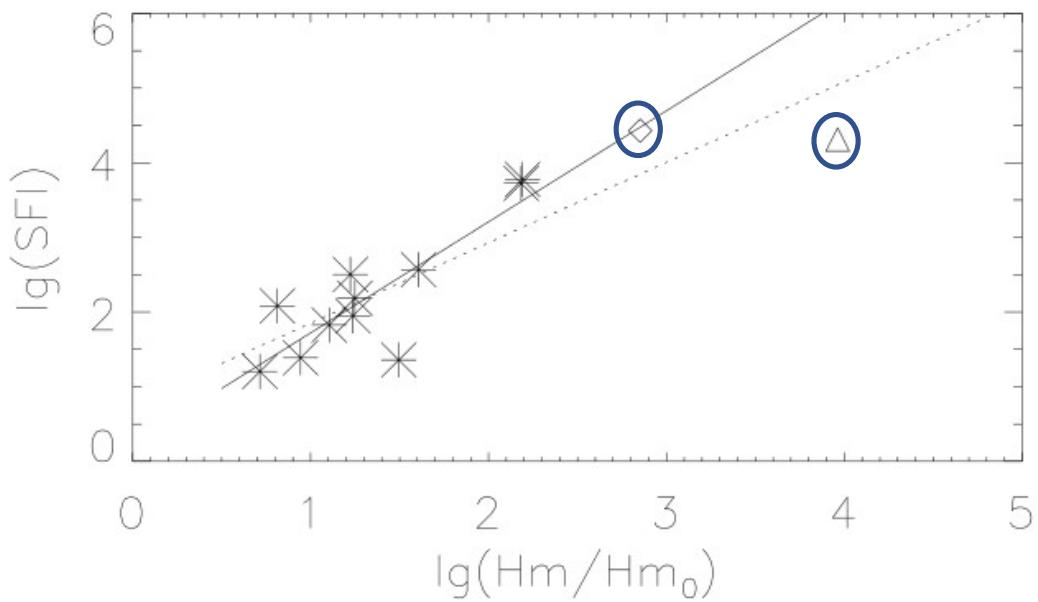
# Eruption of ARs ----Statistic Study

Chose 11 Newly Emerging AR in the 23<sup>rd</sup> Solar Cycle (SOHO/MDI DATA)

- Existence of maximum magnetic flux
- Helicity flux approach to obtain the helicity  $H_m = H_{\max} - H_{\min}$
- Solar Flare Index SFI=  $\Sigma(1000X+100M+10C+1B+0.1A)$
- The twist number N when Solar Flare happened:  $N = N(t_{ref})$      $t_{ref} = \frac{\sum t_i SFI_i}{SFI}$

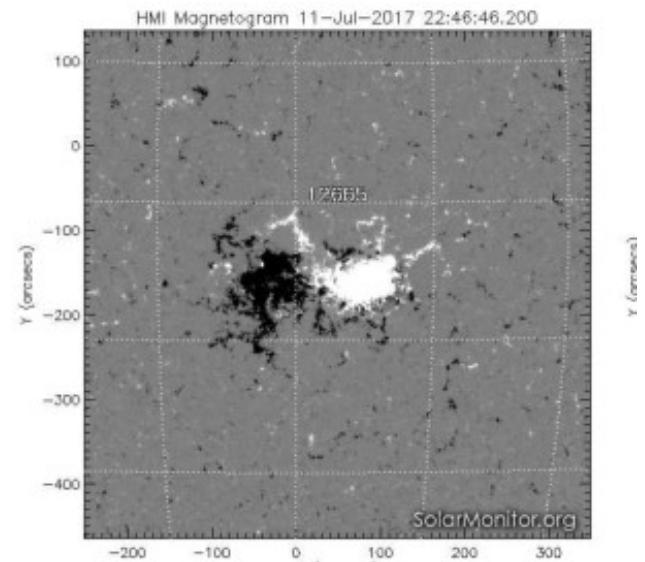


## Checking using 24<sup>th</sup> powerful active regions

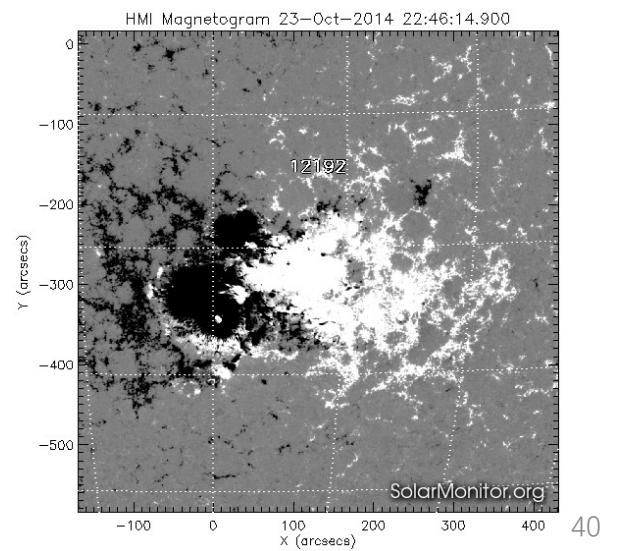


$$\lg(SFI) = a \lg(H_m/H_{m_0}) + b,$$

**NOAA12673**



**NOAA12192**



## Summary

1. An efficient method of calculating relative magnetic helicity (RMH) in Cartesian coordinate is developed. Remote Magnetic Helicity Calculation System is also supplied.
2. Newly emerging active regions supply an approach to understand the distribution process of magnetic helicity transportation from convective zone to the interplanetary.
3. Magnetic helicity flux imbalance may play an important role to understand the solar dynamo. The conservation of magnetic helicity could behaviors in several cycles.
4. Normalized RMH when solar eruption happens shows the thresholds both in simulations and observations. Further investigations of the RMH evolution of ARs from the Simulation s and Observations are still needed.

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