Space Research Centre in Wrocław general informations

RESIK- recently obtained results on elemental composition

SphinX- patterns of soft X-ray variability for a very low solar activity

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Outline

- Few words on history of Wrocław solar research and connections with "neighbours"
- Early sounding rocket experiments
- RESIK & Diogeness aboard CORONAS-F
 - Coronal Abundances from X-ray spectra
- SphinX aboard CORONAS-Photon
 - Solar variability at low levels as seen for the first time
- Ongoing activities for future experimental advantures
 - RESPECT (Rentgenovski SPECTrometr) for ISS
 - ChemiX (Chemical composition from X-rays) for Interhelioprobe
 - STIX (X-ray imager) for Solar Orbiter Presentation for Czech-Polish-Slovak Consultation on Solar Physics (CoSP) May 19 - 21, 2011, Ondřejov, Czech Republic, March 17: J. Sylwester

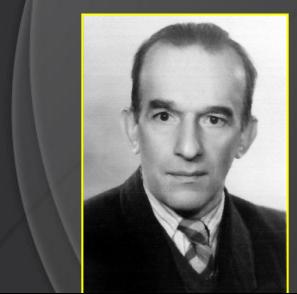
The past: political opportunities and Founders

Intercosmos (1967) – no launch payments



The past: Founders

• The Professors:



Jan Mergentaler

(1901-1995, Lwów-Wroclaw) in 1951 became interested in Solar Physics – organizer of Wroclaw heliophysical Centre, 1956 – solar monograph

Stefan Piotrowski (1910-85),

supported the development of Wroclaw group remotely, as Head of Astronomical Division, PAS, Warsaw, where the group was initially assigned

Prof. Jerzy Jakimiec – overlooked from the beginning (30 years) the scientific aspects of the program

Dr. Zbigniew Kordylewski – was (and is) responsible for the hardware development over more than 35 years

Prof. Antoni Opolski took charge of the developing Laboratory in 70-ties

Prof. Stanislaw Grzedzielski and Prof. Zbigniew Klos, as Directors of Space Research Centre, of which the Solar Physics Division is now a part looked with an interest to the group development

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First Polish (and INTERCOSMOS) space experiment 28 November 1970

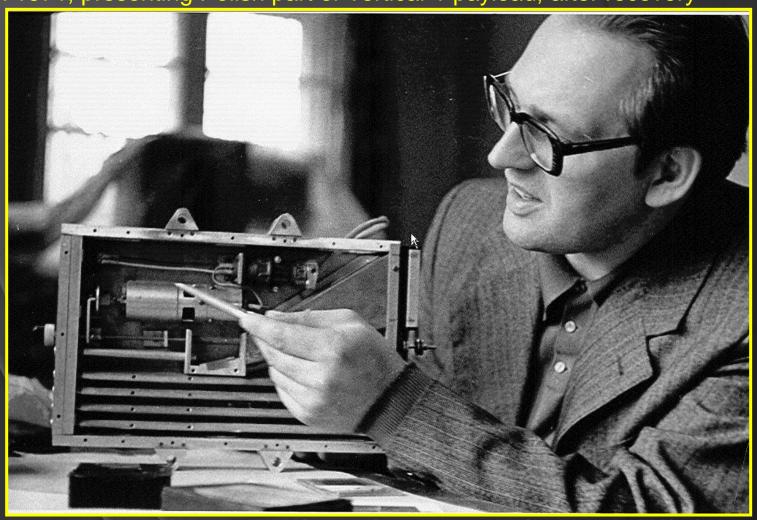
At Kapustin Yar, early morning $h = \sim 500 \text{ km}$, 10 min in space (around 05:32 UT)





Dr. Zbigniew Kordylewski

in 1971, presenting Polish part of Vertical-1 payload, after recovery



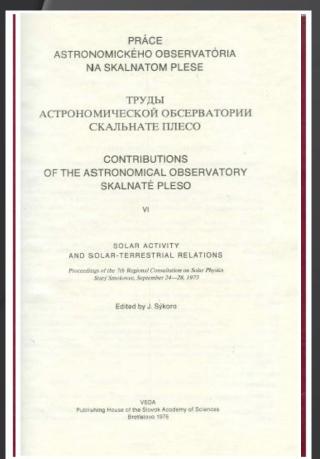
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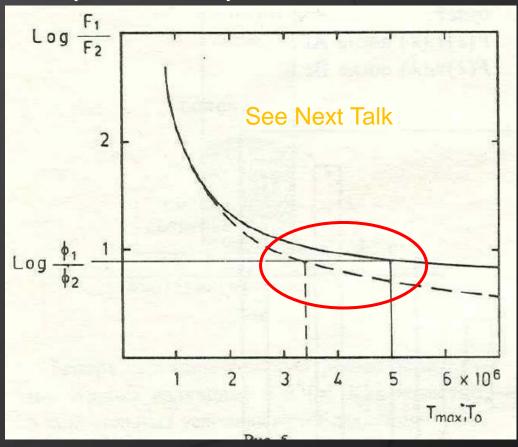


The Be 50 µm and Al 6 µm filter images represent emissions from the hotter and cooler plasma. The "filetr ratio" technique allowed to determine the temperature structure within individual active regions. The spatial resolution in the images is rather low (1 arcmin), typical for pin-hole technique

Resutls were presented during 6th Consultations & COSPAR



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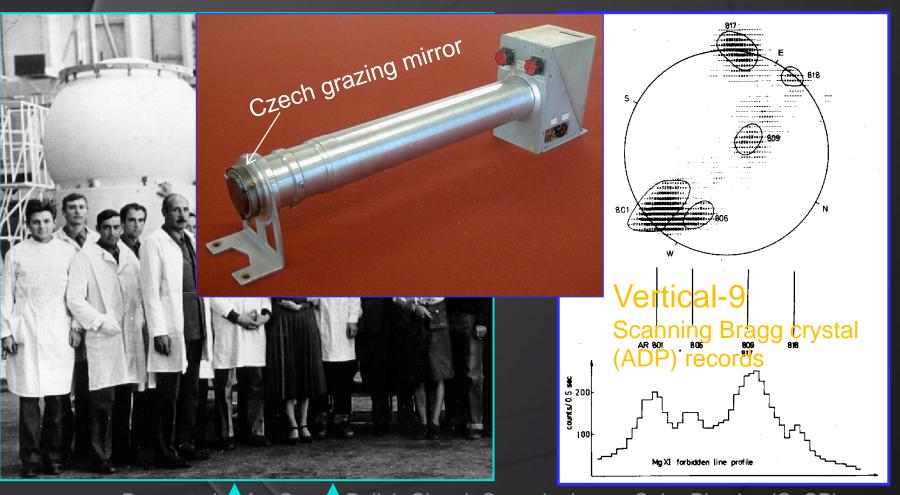


Science problems set by our Professors:

- Temperature structure of EUV & X-ray emitting plasma: Active regions and flares
 - Determinations of T and EM, multitemperaure plasmas
 - DEM inversion
- Elemental composition (relative & absolute)
- X-ray spectroscopy & atomic physics
 - Line identification
 - Processes: excitation, ionization, recombination
- Diagnostics of plasma heating in the corona
 - HD modelling (Palermo-Harvard codes)
 - Role of plasma kernels (basic constituents of the corona)

Following sounding rocket experiments

Grazing incidence soft X-ray telescope

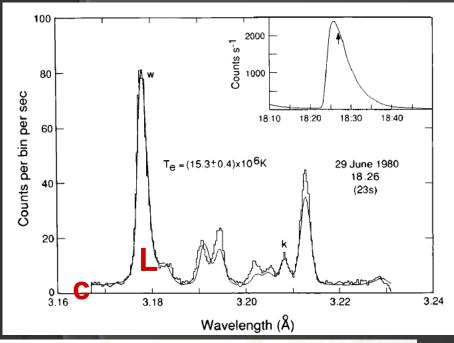


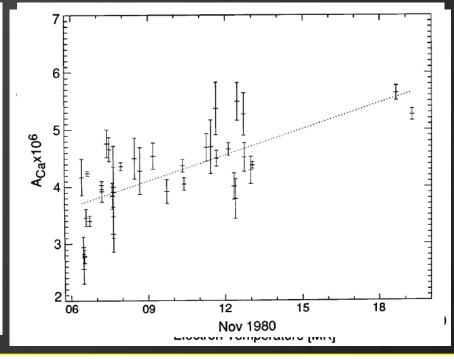
Contacts with strong groups from abroad: Czech Rep., Russia, Holland, USA, UK, Italy, Slovak Rep.

- Our visits to leaders:
 - Prof. Mandel'stam at FIAN (since 1974)
 - Prof. De Jager at Utrecht (since 1978)
 - Prof. Culhane at MSSL (since 1980)
- Work at the satellite operation centres
 - SMM at GSFC 1980-81
 - IZMIRAN with CORONAS I & F 1994, 2001
 - RHESSI at GSFC 2004, 2005
- Important guests
 - Prof. Pottash, 1973, Prof. Bumba, dr. Valnicek, Prof. De Jager, Dr. Loren Acton 1986, Dr. Farnik, Prof. Heinzel, Dr. Dzifcakova, Prof. Phillips (2000-2011), Dr. Kuzin (2000_now), Prof. Reale

Golden Age of Bragg solar spectroscopy 1970-1995,

Intercosmos-4,7,16, P-78, Hinotori, SMM-FCS, BCS, Yohkoh BCS





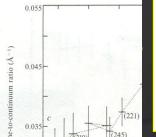
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Variation in observed coronal calcium abundance of X-ray flare plasmas

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DETAILED EVIDENCE FOR FLARE-TO-FLARE VARIATIONS OF THE CORONAL CALCIUM ABUNDANCE

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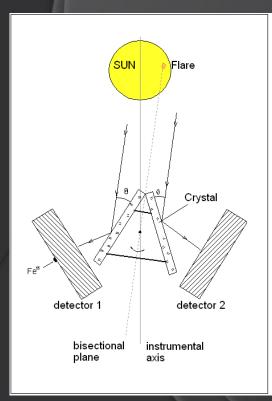
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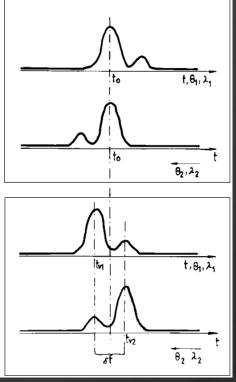
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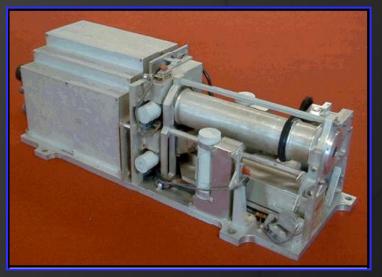
R. D. Bentley, A. Fludra, 1 and M.-C. Zolcinski

Mullard Space Science Laboratory, Holmbury Saint Mary, Dorking, Surrey, RH5 6NT, United Kingdom Received 1997 September 2; accepted 1998 February 9

New experiences - new designs – always in collaboration with AI C(S)AS • X-ray Dopplerometer (~1980): absolute measurements of line shifts - together with AI CAS





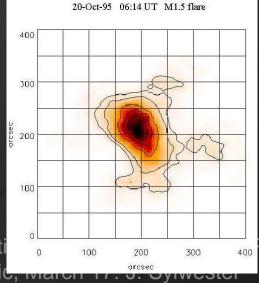


RDR – Rocket Dopplerometer flown aboard Vertical-11 sounding rocket Made in one year, launched in 1983

RHESSI-Like Instrument, but the rotation period 120

Rotating modulation collimator on Czech RF15-I Interball-tail -1996 together with AI CAS RHESSI

"solution" flare 20 cm rotation axis



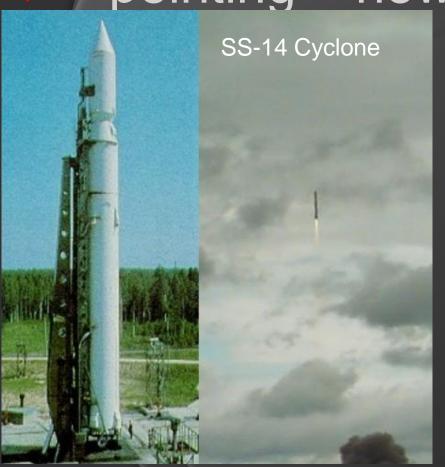
10 arcsec resolution on numerically reconstructed images,

Sylwester et al., 2000 Solar Physics 197/2 ultati 337 May 19 - 21, 2011, Ondřejov, Czech Republic, March

Present Solar Physics Division SRC PAS 13 people

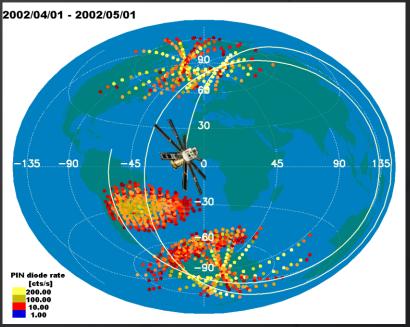
- One mechanical constructor (CAD Solid Works)
- One physicist (vaccum chamber, X-ray lamp & radioactive source)
- Three electronic engineers analogue, digital, FPGA
- Eight scientists with main responsibility of running experiment simulations, data reduction from our & external space instruments

CORONAS-F launch, orbit & pointing — new alley for us



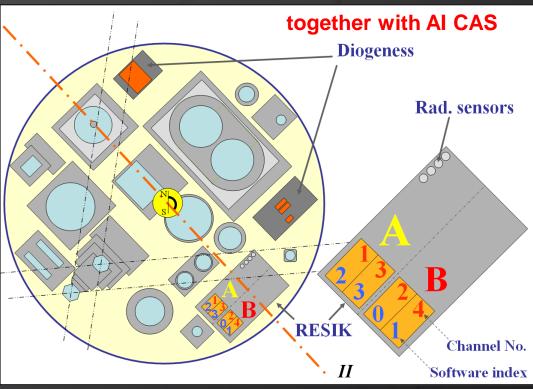
PECEINT

31 July 2001, polar orbit, 95min, ~500 km semi-Sun-synchronous



On the payload





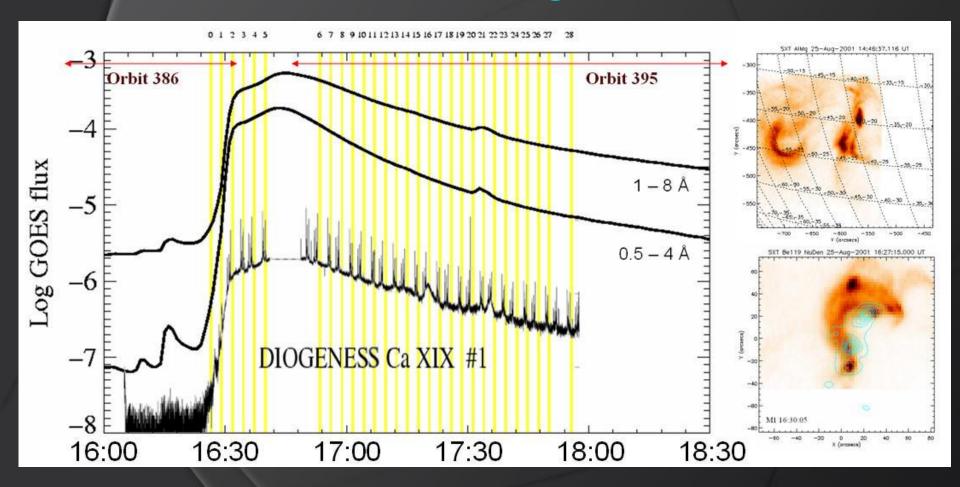
Diogeness: scanning Flat Crystal Spectrometer

like on P78-1 Czech detectors

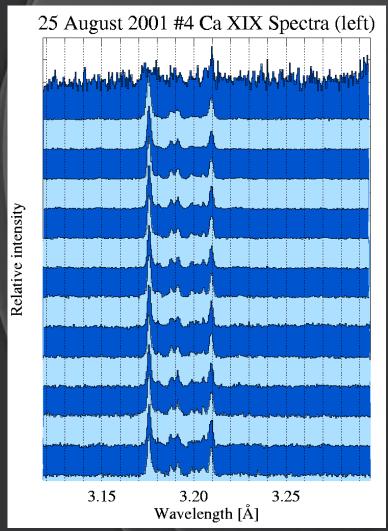
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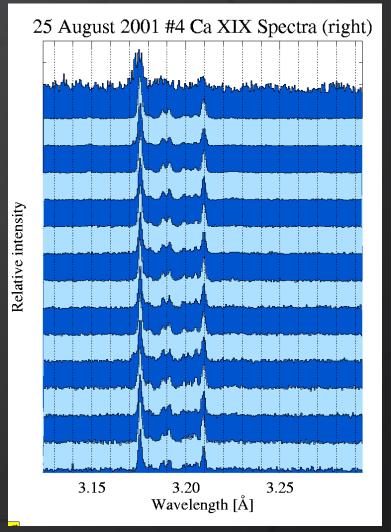
like on SMM and Yohkoh UK, US, Russia

Satellite dopplerometer results CORONAS-F: 25 Aug 2001 3B/X5.3

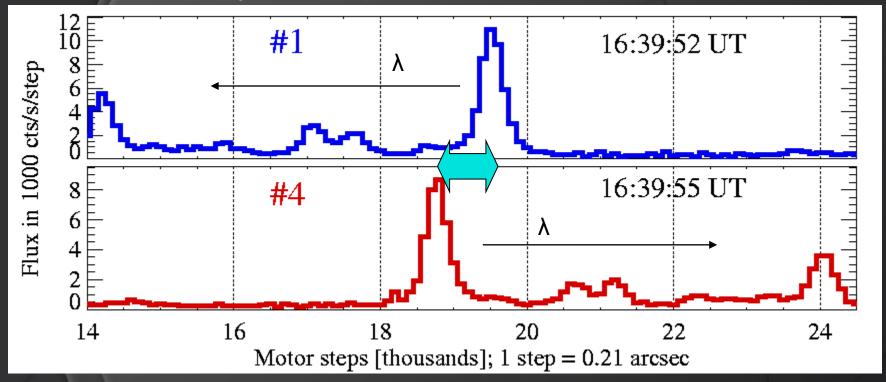


Time Sequence of left & right scans



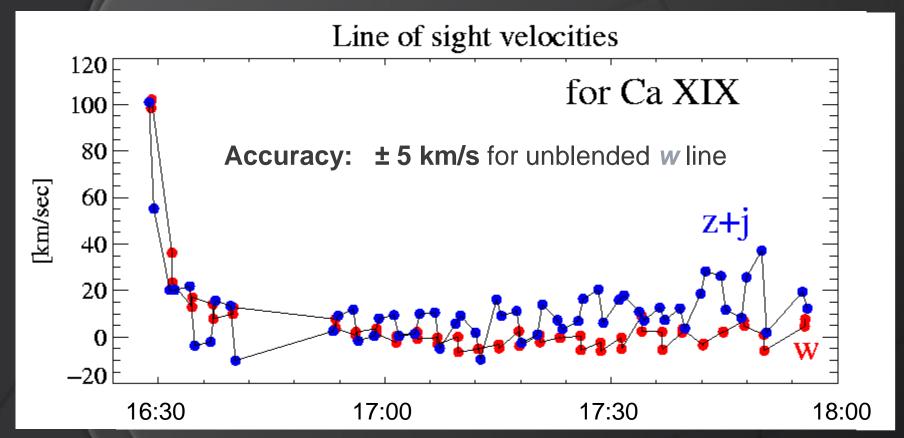


X-ray Dopplerometer results



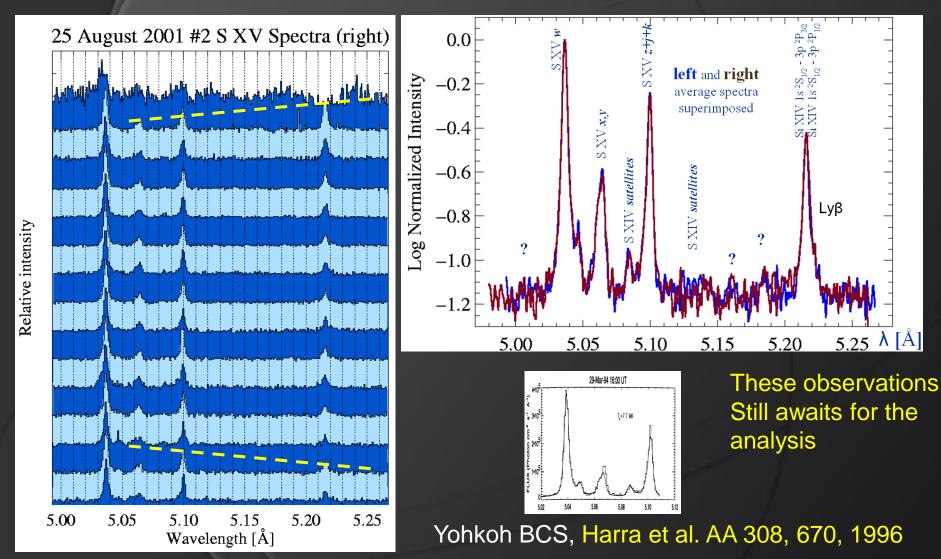
Spectra recorded nearly simultaneously in Channels #1 and #4 of Diogeness during the maximum phase of X5.3 flare on 25 Aug. 2001. The scanning in both channels is made in the opposite wavelength sense. Thus the intercombination and forbidden lines comprising the Ca XIX triplet are seen on the opposite sides of the presented range (recorded 20 s apart in time).

Velocities: entire spectra shifted



Velocities as determined for the resonance (w) and forbidden lines (z) of the Ca XIX triplet. The forbidden line is blended with a strong dielectronic satellite line (j) which might account for slightly different pattern of behaviour later in the flare decay.

Diogeness: new spectroscopy



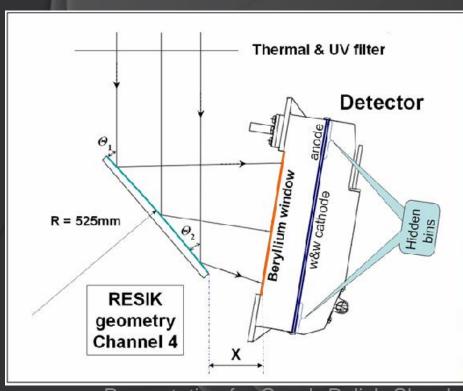
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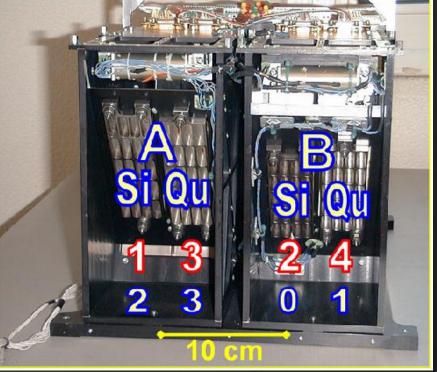


Bragg spectrometer: $k\lambda = 2d \sin\Theta$

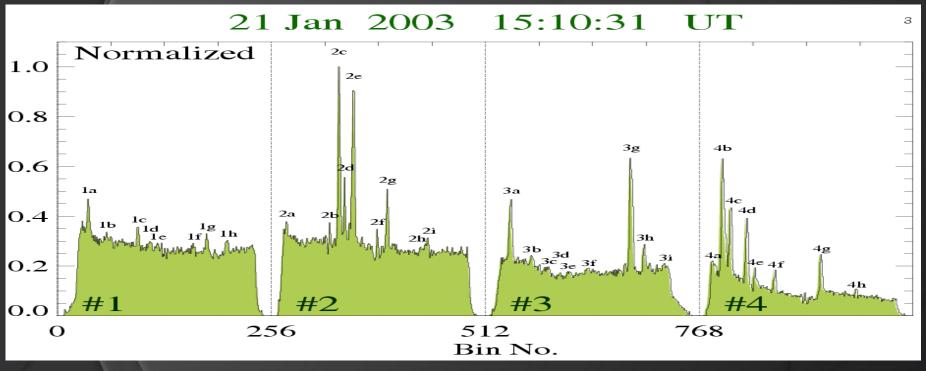
Рентгеновский Спектрометр с Изогнутыми Кристаллами

Measures spectra in range: 0.335 nm - 0.610 nm, instantly in all λ





Line identification



Key	λ [Å]	Ion	Transition	Key	λ [Å]	Ion	Transition	Key	λ [Å]	Ion	Transition	Key	λ [Å]	Ion	Transition
Ch. #1 la lb lc ld le lf lg lh	3.367 3.422 3.532* 3.548 3.571 3.689 3.733*	Ar XVII ? K XVIII K XVIII K XVIII S XVI (?) Ar XVIII S XVI (?)	$\begin{aligned} &1s^2{}^1S_0 - 1s3p{}^{(1,3)}P_1\\ &1s^2{}^1S_0 - 1s2p{}^3P_1,\\ &1s^2{}^1S_0 - 1s2p{}^3P_{1,2}\\ &1s^2{}^1S_0 - 1s2s{}^3S_1\\ &1s{}^2S_{\frac{1}{2}} - 5p{}^2P_{\frac{3}{2},\frac{1}{2}}\\ &1s{}^2S_{\frac{1}{2}} - 2p{}^2P_{\frac{3}{2},\frac{1}{2}}\\ &1s{}^2S_{\frac{1}{2}} - 4p{}^2P_{\frac{3}{2},\frac{1}{2}}\end{aligned}$	Ch. #2 2a 2b 2c 2d 2e 2f 2g 2h 2g 2h	3 805 3.919 3.949* 3.967 3.994 4.055 4.088* 4.186 4.197	S xvi(?) ? Ar xvii Ar xvii Ar xvii ? S xv Cl xvii ?	$1s^{2}S_{\frac{1}{2}} - 4p^{2}P_{\frac{3}{2},\frac{1}{2}}$ $1s^{2}^{1}S_{0} - 1s2p^{1}P_{1}$ $1s^{2}^{1}S_{0} - 1s2p^{3}P_{1,2}$ $1s^{2}^{1}S_{0} - 1s2s^{3}S_{1}$ $1s^{2}^{1}S_{0} - 1s4p^{1}P_{1}$ $1s^{2}S_{\frac{1}{2}} - 2p^{2}P_{\frac{3}{2},\frac{1}{2}}$?	Ch. #3 3a 3b 3c 3d 3e 3f 3g 3h 31	4.299* 4.376 4.444 4.466 4.496 4.578 4.729* 4.775 4.855	S XV ? Cl XVI Cl XVI Cl XVI ? S XVI ?	$1s^{2} {}^{1}S_{0} - 1s3p {}^{1}P_{1}$ $1s^{2} {}^{1}S_{0} - 1s2p {}^{1}P_{1}$ $1s^{2} {}^{1}S_{0} - 1s2p {}^{3}P_{1,2}$ $1s^{2} {}^{1}S_{0} - 1s2s {}^{3}S_{1}$ $1s^{2} {}^{1}S_{0} - 1s2s {}^{3}S_{1}$ $1s^{2}S_{\frac{1}{2}} - 2p {}^{2}P_{\frac{3}{2},\frac{1}{2}}$ $1s^{2}S_{\frac{1}{2}} - 5p {}^{2}P_{\frac{3}{2},\frac{1}{2}}$	Ch. #4 4a 4b 4c 4d 4e 4f 4g 4h	4.968 5.039* 5.102 5.194 5.253 5.384 5.681* 5.919	Si XIV S XV S XV Si XIV Si XIII Si XIII Si XIII	$\begin{array}{c} 1s^2 S_{\frac{1}{2}} - 4p^2 P_{\frac{3}{2},\frac{1}{2}} \\ 1s^2 {}^1 S_0 - 1s2p^{\frac{1}{2}} P_1 \\ 1s^2 {}^1 S_0 - 1s2s^3 S_1 \\ 1s^2 S_{\frac{1}{2}} - 3p^2 P_{\frac{3}{2},\frac{1}{2}} \\ 1s^2 {}^1 S_0 - 1s5p^{\frac{1}{2}} P_1 \\ 1s^2 {}^1 S_0 - 1s4p^{\frac{1}{2}} P_1 \\ 1s^2 {}^1 S_0 - 1s3p^{\frac{1}{2}} P_1 \\ 1s^2 {}^1 S_0 - 1s3p^{\frac{1}{2}} P_1 \\ 1s^2 {}^2 P_{\frac{3}{2}} - \\ -1s2p^{\frac{3}{2}} P_{\frac{3}{2}} - \\ -1s2p^{\frac{3}{2}} P_{\frac{3}{2}} P_{\frac{3}{2}} \end{array}$
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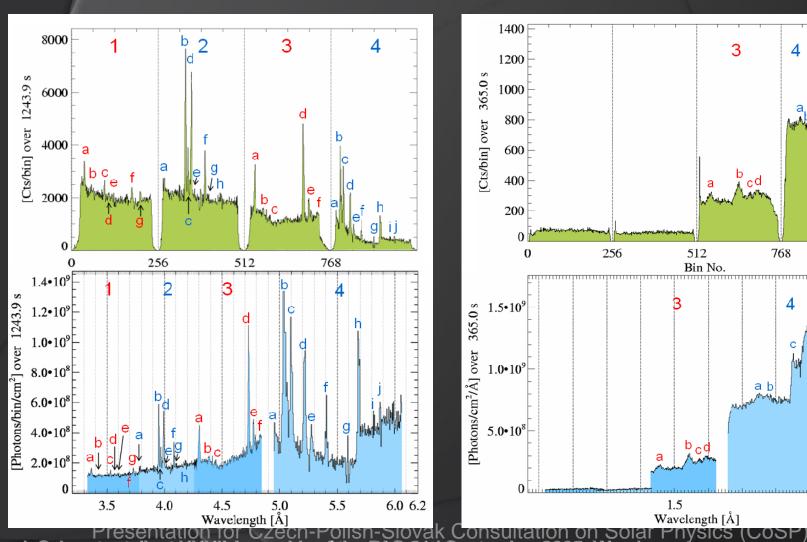
J. Sylwester talk at XXXII Assembly of the PAS 21st September 2005, Wrocław J. Sylwester

Reduction of spectra – high accuracy of absolute flux determinations

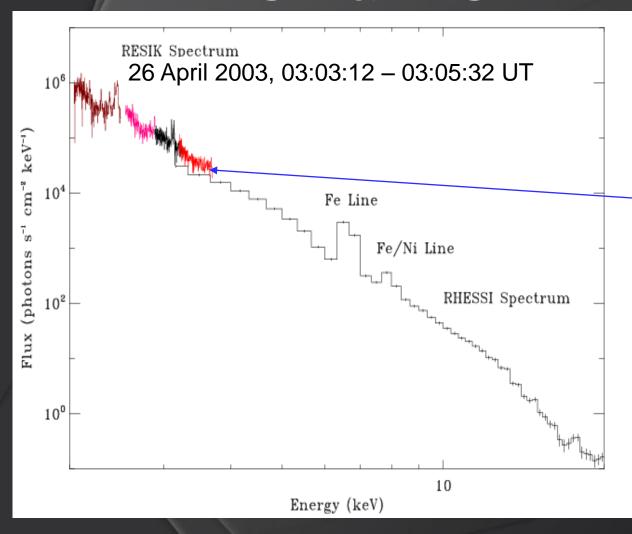
First order reflections

Third order reflections

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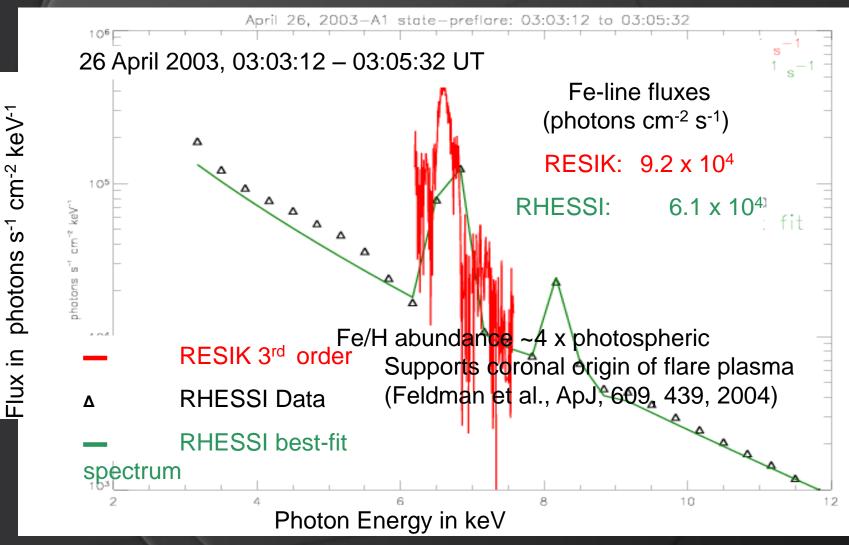


RESIK & NASA RHESSI



Without attenuators ~10% agreement

RESIK & RHESSI Iron group



~1 mln spectra collected between New Line Identifications average

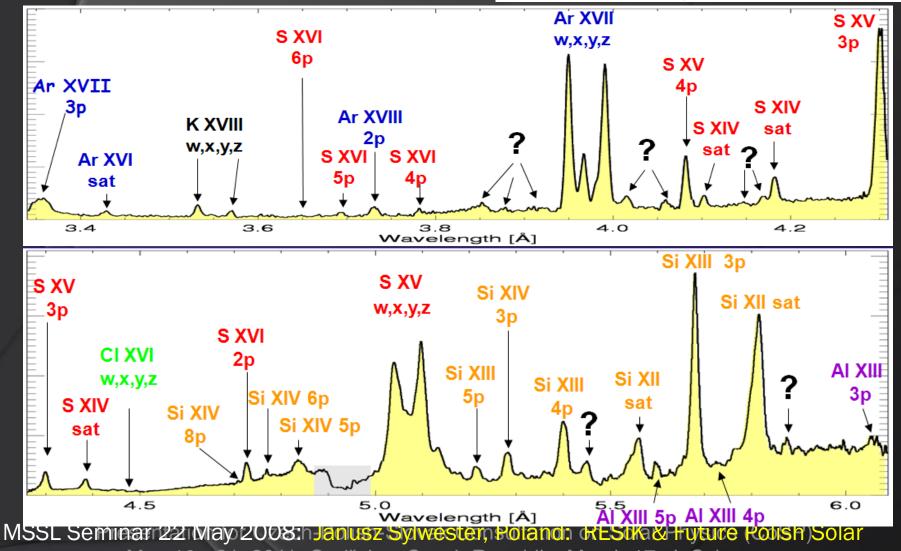






Lines in the range 3.2–6.1 Å observed in RESIK spectra

B. Sylwester ^{a,*}, J. Sylwester ^a, M. Siarkowski ^a, K.J.H. Phillips ^b, J.L. Culhane ^c, J. Lang ^d, C. Brown ^e, V.D. Kuznetsov ^f



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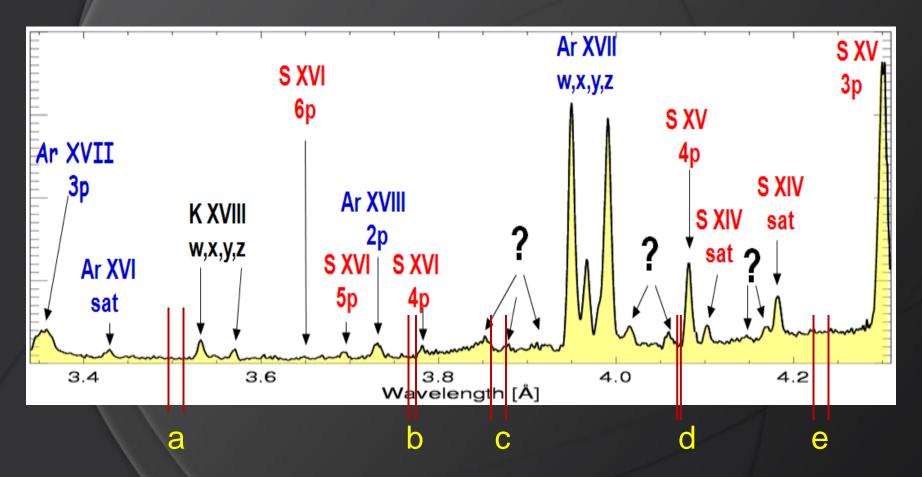
The solar X-ray continuum measured by RESIK Phillips, K. J. H.; Sylwester, J.; Sylwester, B.; Kuznetsov, V. D.

ApJ, 711, 179-184, 2010

Data: level2 reduced RESIK spectra available on the web:

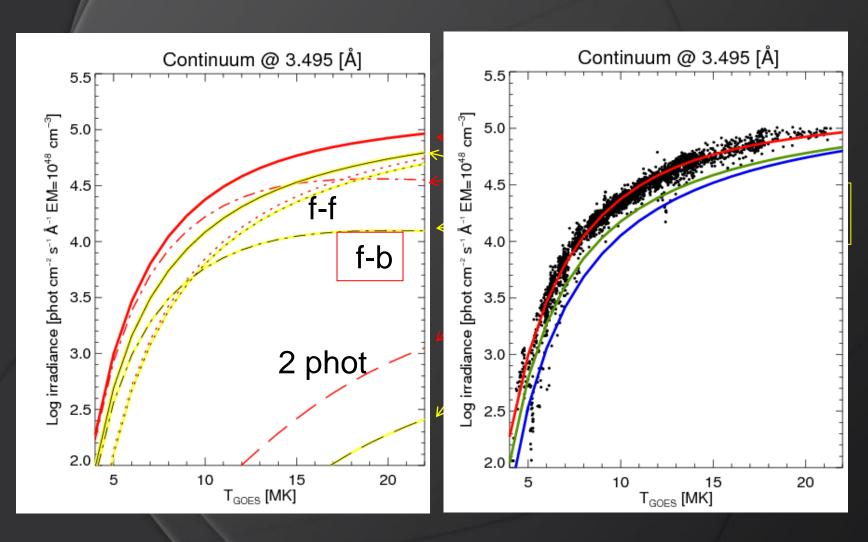
http://www.cbk.pan.wroc.pl/experiments/resik/resik_level2.php
~3000 flare spectra, 20 flare events mostly from times in 2002 & 2003
Please check, whether RESIK data are available if studying events from this time interval

Continuum band selection

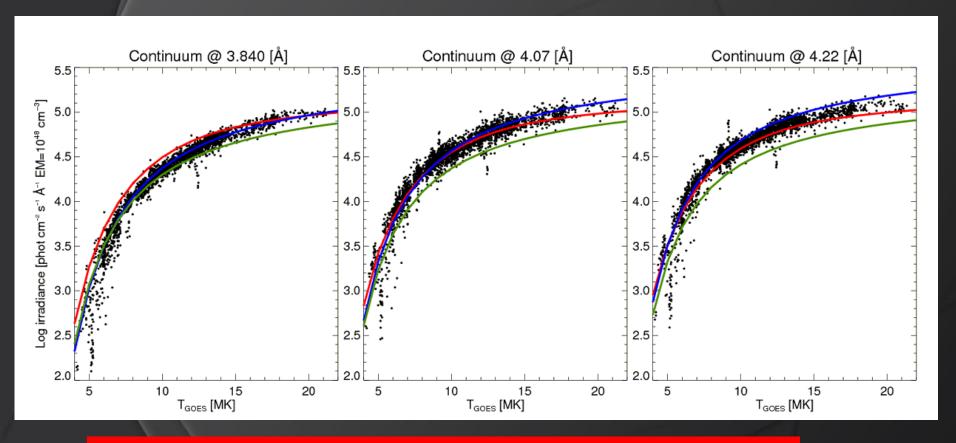


no obvious lines or line groups, no theory-predicted lines

RESIK Continnum Chan. 1 & 2



Continuum bands c, d & e



Look into continuum shape vs lambda for the rise phase of flares

Note: Isothermal aprox. All points icluded also from rise phase

Conclusions- continuum paper

- coronal rather than photospheric set of abundances is adequate for this sample of flare spectra.
- An isothermal plasma assumed in this work appears to be justified in the narrow wavelength bands studied here.
- GOES T and EM values satisfactorily describe the continuum emission in the investigated spectral range (based consistently on CHIANTI atomic database)
- Important for RHESSI and Hinode XRT

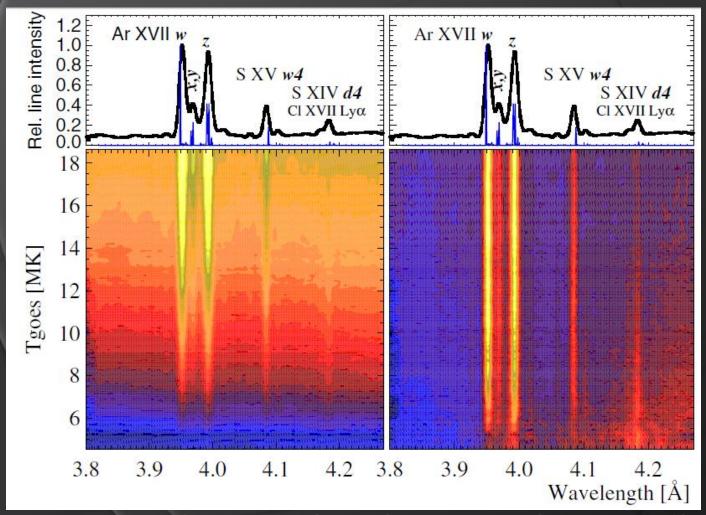
A Solar Spectroscopic Absolute Abundance of Argon from RESIK

ApJ, 720, 1721-1726, 2010 Argon is a high-FIP (15.6 eV) element

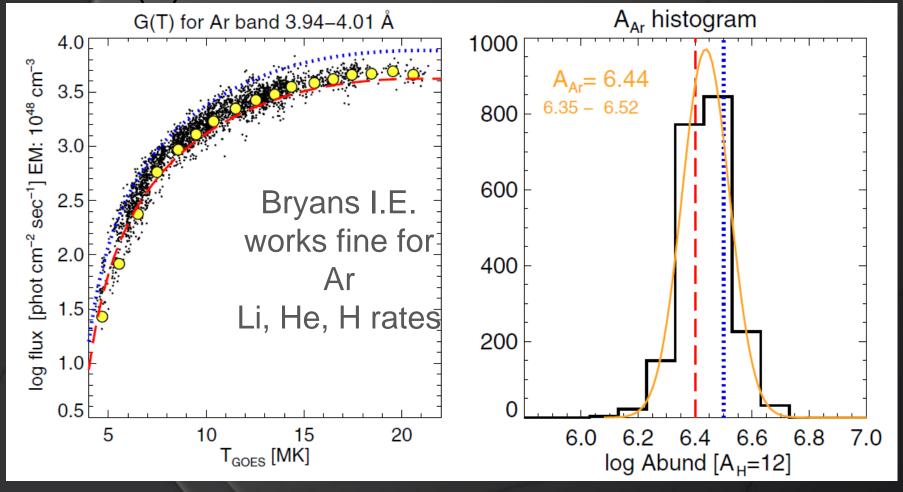
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The same analysis methodology



Theory compares v. well with observations first direct observational test of "atomic theory" for line G(T)'s



Highly Ionized Potassium Lines in Solar X-ray Spectra and the Abundance of Potassium

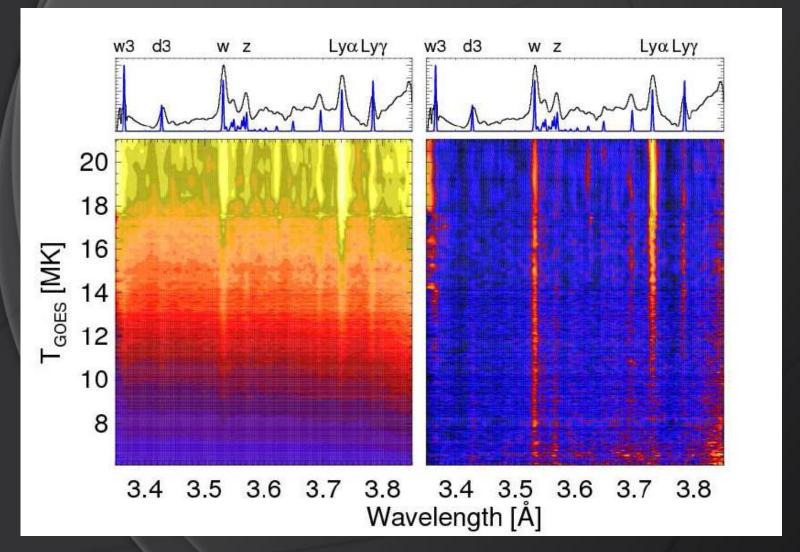
Phillips, B & J Sylwester, ApJ, 710, 804-809, 2010

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~3000 flare spectra, 20 flare events mostly from times in 2002 & 2003, also the non-flaring spectra (312)

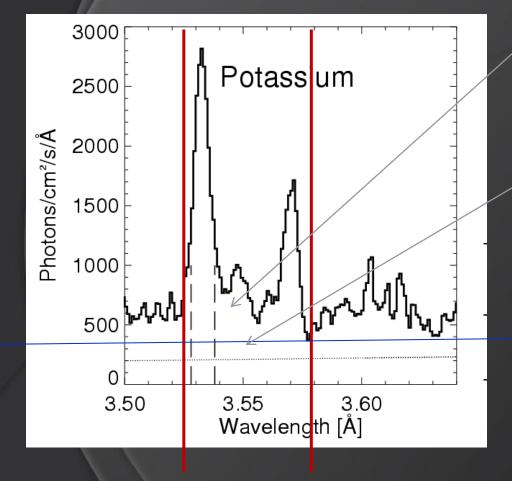
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RESIK channel 1 Dependence on T



K XVIII He-like ione spectrum low FIP (

) element



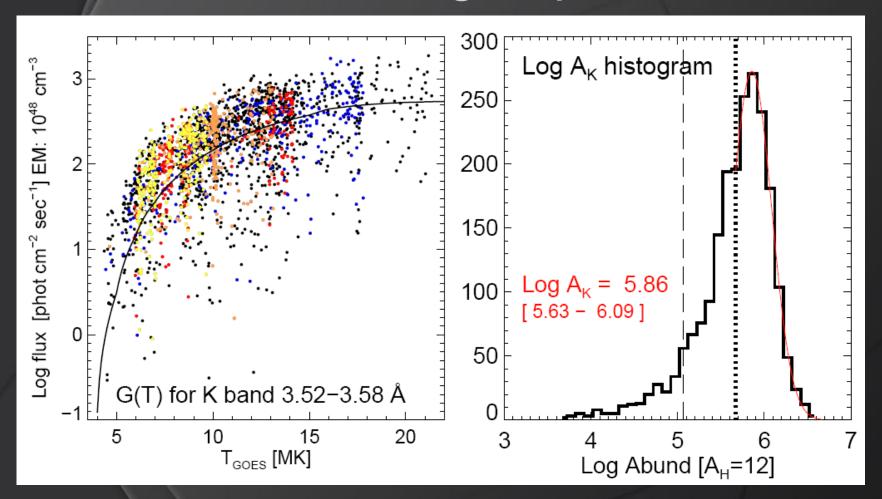
Line Flux (area)
above

the continuum

Is divided by emission measure determined in the isothermal approximation

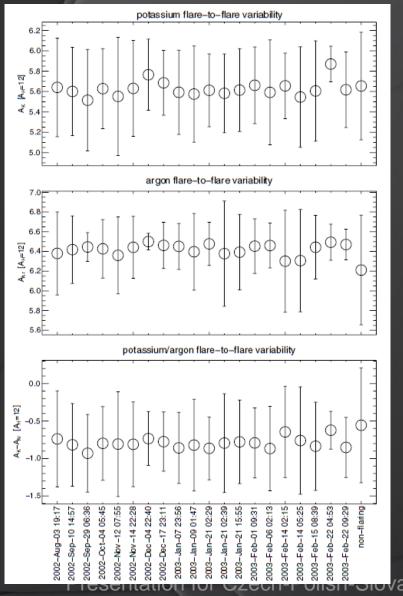
How potassium line group contribution has been accounted for

Normalized K line group intensities



First Absolute spectroscopic K abundance in the corona has been determined!!!

Event-to-event changes

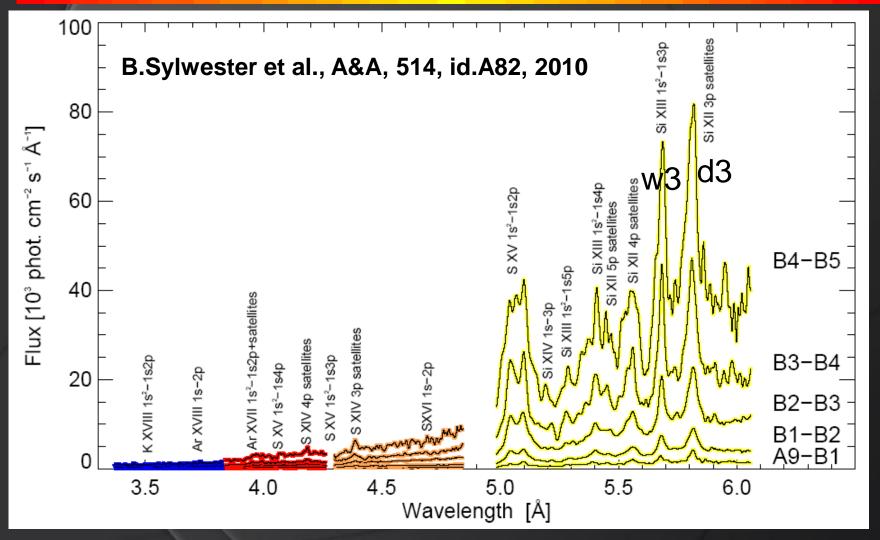


- No K event-toevent variability
- No Ar event-toevent variability

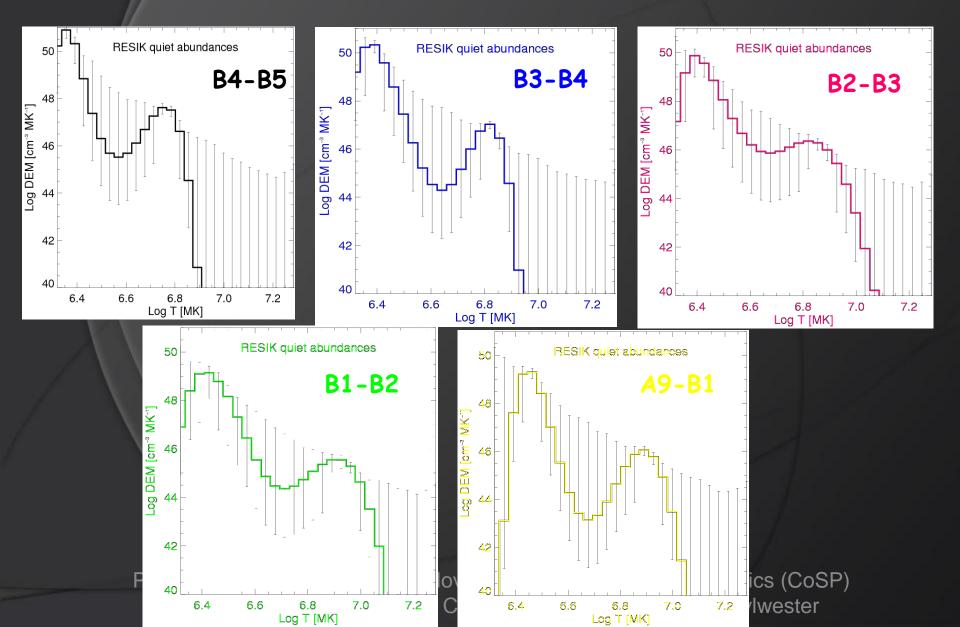
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RESIK Quiet Sun Spectra first ever at such low activity levels



DEM vs activity level of non-flaring Sun



Conclusions

- The first ever spectroscopic determination of solar Ar abundance has been made (no Ar lines are available in the visible)
- Ar abundance is in agreement with the indirect estimates of Lodders, 2009 and close to Greevese Ar/O from in situ...SEP, sol wind
- No flare-to-flare or AR variability of low-to-high FIP aundance ratio unvieled- further events need to be analysed
- First positive detection of non-Maxwellian distribution functions performed (Dzifcakova et al.)
- First measurements of X-ray spectra at very low levels of activity (A9-B4)

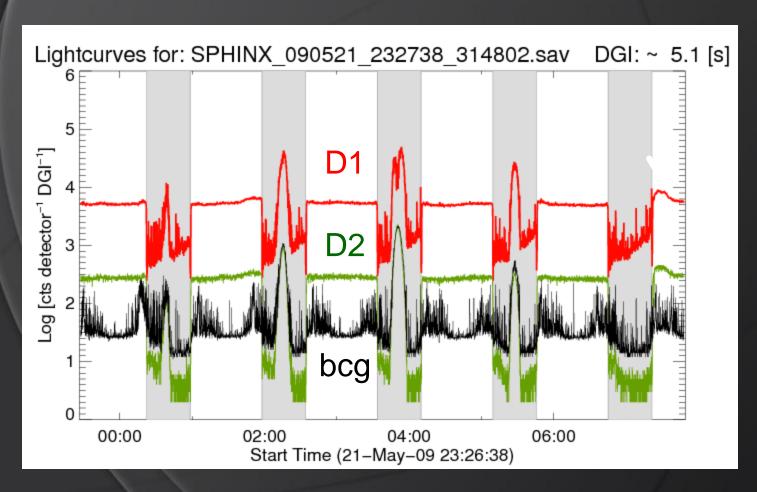
PECEUT SphinX aboard Coronas-Photon Located within Russian TESIS complex developed by FIAN

SPHINX (Solar Photometer in X rays) is common endeavour with

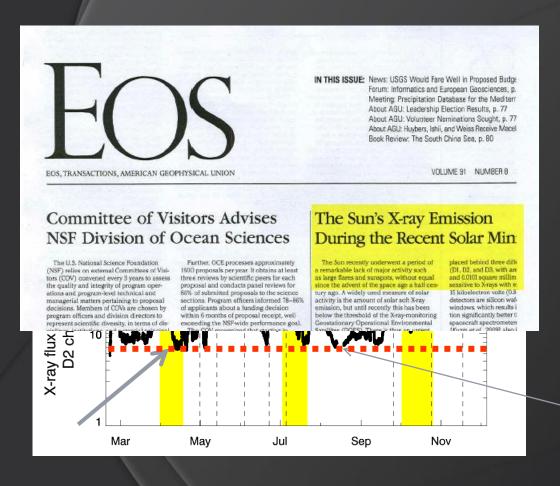
- PN Lebedev Physical Institute RAS
 - Sergey Kuzin
 - Al CAV Czech Rep
 - Franta Farnik
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 - Fabio Reale
 - MSSL, UK
 - Ken Phillips

Example data record





SphinX early data (PIN diode detectors)

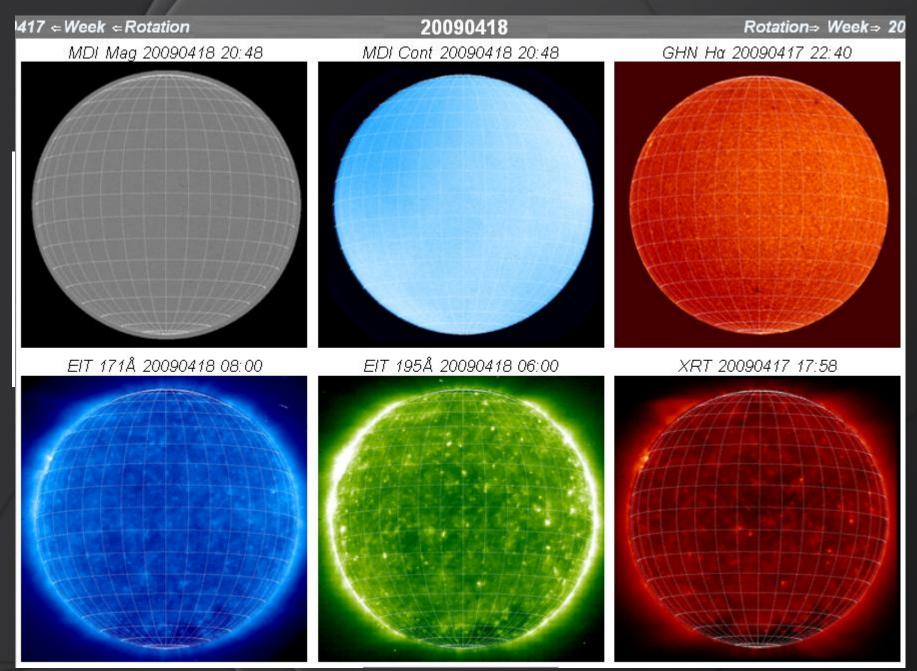


 There is a lower limit for solar Xray flux of the Sun in the energy range

E > 1 keV

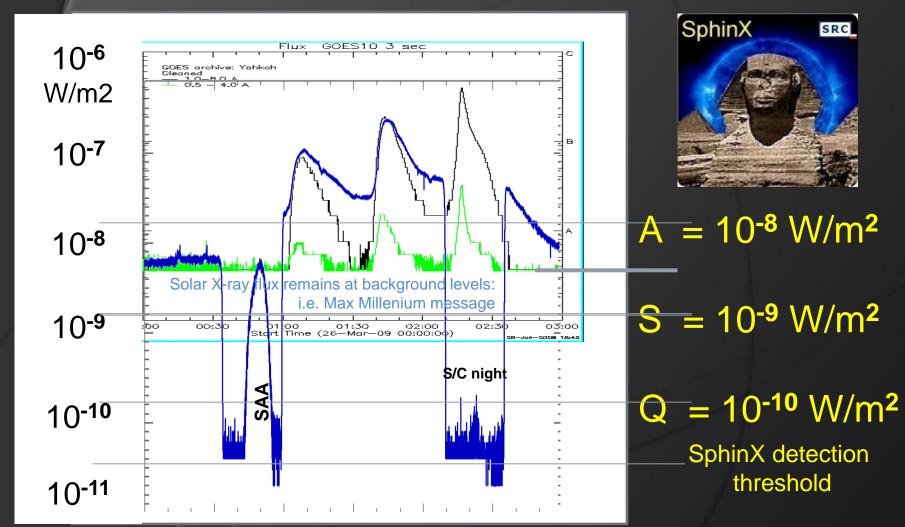
 $\sim 5 \times 10^{-10} \, \text{W/m}^2$

No measurements after
November 2009 ⊗
Only full-Sun spectra



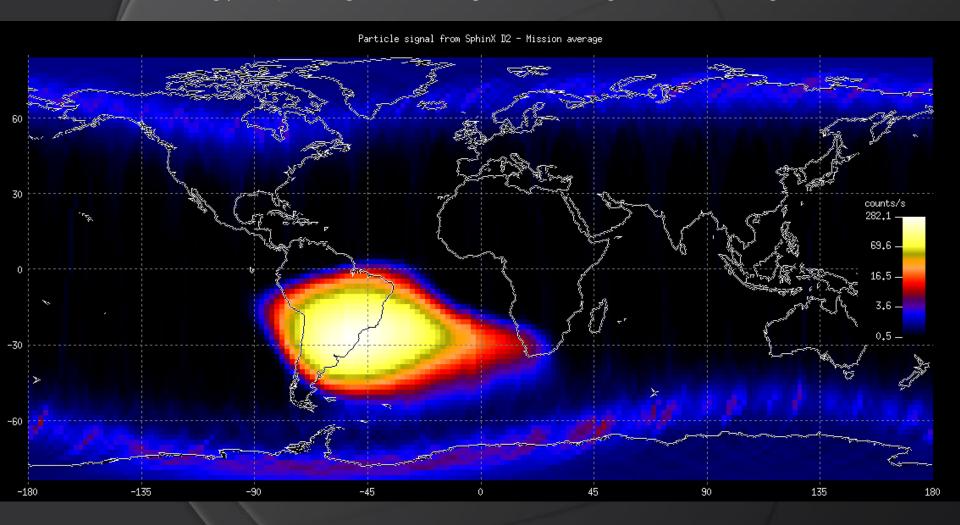
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GOES X class range -> to be extended down



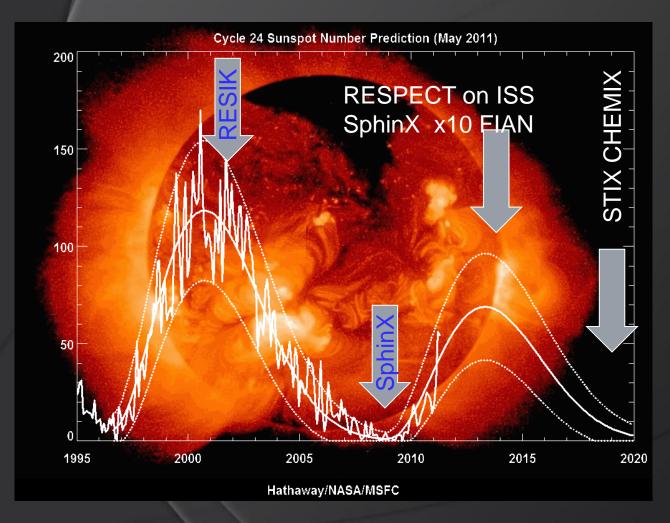
Reconstruction of Earth's particle environment from SphinX D2

Particle signal from SphinX D2 in geographical coordinates (whole mission, one plot for ascending and descending phase). The signal was averaged over rectangle areas of 2x2 deg.



Future experimenting:

http://solarscience.msfc.nasa.gov/images/ssn_predict_l.gif



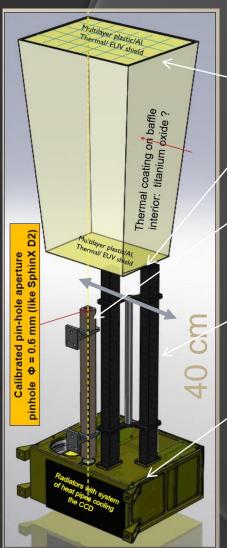
RESPECT (CCD base SphinX)

- STIX (20%) of the work coordinated by Tomek Mrozek
- ChemiX on Interhelioprobe (Roskosmos)

So, what is ChemiX

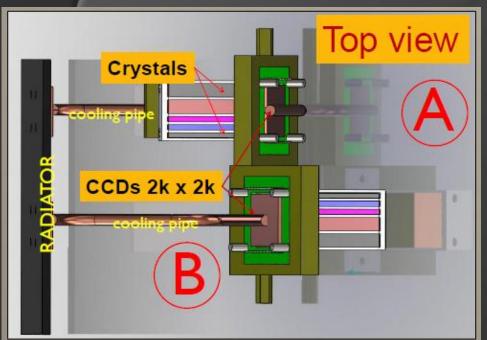
- Two CCD back illuminated detectors like these used in TESIS ~2000 position resolution
- One X-ray CCD pin-hole imager
- 5 crystals illuminating the detectors:
 - 2 larger areas with crystal radiai ~50-70 cm
 - 3 smaller areas for specific physical tasks
- Smaller area crystals working in Dopplerometer orientation

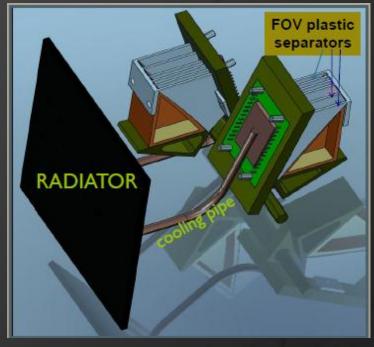
Just a view on ChemiX



- Thermal & EUV blocking section (from 250C to 90C)
- Stationary Pin-hole X-ray Camera
- Moving slit collimatots
- Two crystal and detector sections (5pieces of the illuminating crystals) oriented in the opposite sense of dispersion

Crystal-detection sections 1 - 7 Å in four pieces using Si & Quartz cryst.





CCD: e2v 2048 x 2048 pixels like in TESIS MgXII channel
High efficiency active colling pipes – gas/condensation
5 spectral ranges on each CCD, 3 in the Dopplerometer configuration;
Recccomendations are being asked forom the community: FIAN, Ken
Phillips Elena Dzifcakova,, Helen Mason, Giulio del Zanna
Presentation for Czech-Polish-Slovak Consultation on Solar Physics (CoSP)
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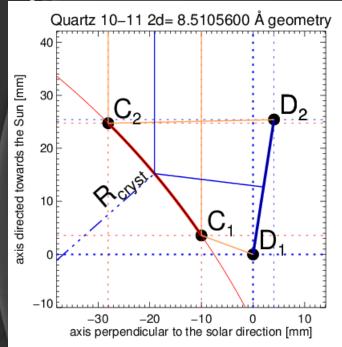
Why the collimatosr? -> selects just a single AR



- Fixes beam FOV to desired angular range
 - 100 thousand km? on the Sun for AR at close distance
 - 30 thousand km? for flare kernels, good for AR at larger distances
- Prevents side illumination to within 2.5 deg
- Flight tested on Vertical-11 and Interballtail
- GENETIC algorithms now in use
- Experience present in aligning and transmission measurements

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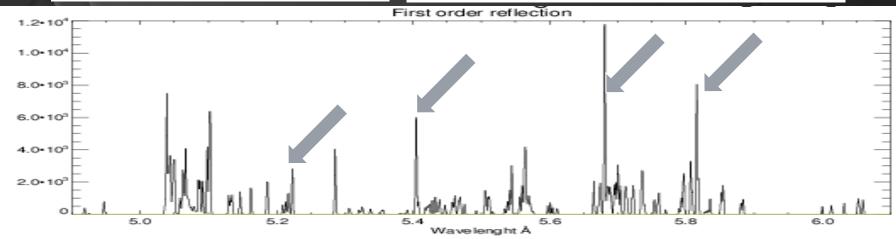
Spectral Coverage 5 - 6 Å



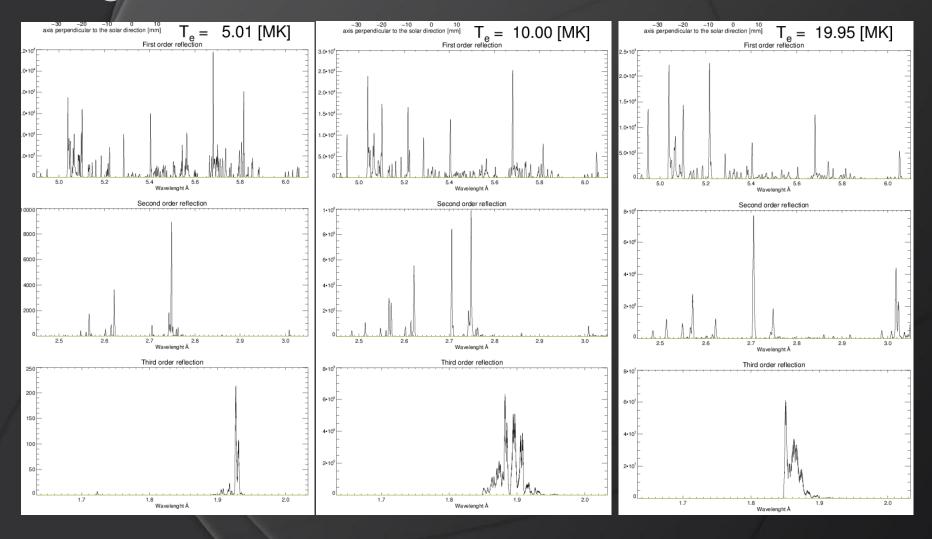
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                         27.842 [mm]
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               28.045, 24.730 [mm]
C_{2[x,y]}:
D_{1[x,y]}:
               0.000,
                          3.580] [mm]
               4.055, 24.730] [mm]
D_{2[x,y]}:
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                         99.060 [deg]
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D_{av_resolution}: 0.00059 [A/pixel] D_{av_dlamb/dthet}: 0.11246 [A/degree]



Higher orders of reflection...



Possible science outcome again

- Line and continuum intensities → Absolute elemental abundances to within 0.01-0.02 in log scale, i.e. many times better than from optical range, meteorites etc, evenet to event variability. The accuracy will be best eversuperior to photosperic determinations
- Non-thermal component of line excitation
 - Behaviour of distribution function for electrons below 10 keV
 - Diagnostics of interaction regions plasma velocities & Doppler shifts & ion temps & el Temps & PDF's possibly
 - Detection of bumps on PDF for particles (wave-particle interactions)
- Turbulent properties of flaring plasmas kernels
- Absolute line positions & detailed studies of Doppler line shifts during flares (obs vs, evaporation theory) comparison with results of hydrodynamic modelling (we have running codes of NRL & Palermo-Harvard)

Cooperation is highly desirable !!!

- Key groups
 - Elena Dzifcakova group
 - Ken Phillips
 - PN Lebedev group
 - CHIANTI group
 - UWr group
 -please get aboard

Thanks for the initiative to revive the Consultations Tomek & Pavel!

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End of the talk