Macrospicule Jets in On-Disk Coronal Holes

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Abstract

We examine the magnetic structure and dynamics of multiple jets found in coronal holes close to or on disk center. All data are from the Atmospheric Imaging Assembly (AIA) and the Helioseismic and Magnetic Imager (HMI) of the Solar Dynamics Observatory (SDO). We report on observations of six jets in an equatorial coronal hole spanning 2011 February 27 and 28. We show the evolution of these jets in AIA 193 Å, examine the magnetic field configuration, and postulate the probable trigger mechanism of these events. We recently reported on another jet in this same coronal hole on 2011 February 27, ~13:04 UT (Adams et al 2014, ApJ, 783: 11); this jet is a previously-unrecognized variety of blowout jet . In this variety, the reconnection bright point is not made by interchange reconnection of initially-closed erupting field in the base of the jet with ambient open field. Instead, there is a miniature filament-eruption flare arcade made by internal reconnection of the legs of the erupting field.

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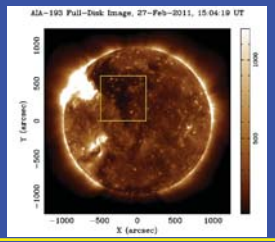
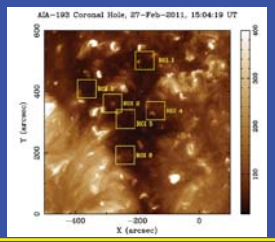




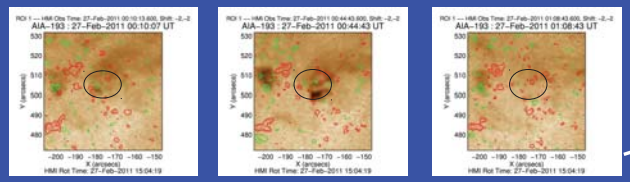
All data were calibrated with standard SolarSoft routines and de-rotated to a common time (27-February 2011, 15:04:19 UT). Using a 1600 Å image (also calibrated and de-rotated), we determined an HMI offset of -2 arcsec.

Preliminary Results: All the jets in our study are caused by flux cancellation, with the possible exception of ROI 5. Note the ellipses on the images in the first column on the left. From left to right, these show changes in flux from approximately 30 minutes before the jet to approximately 30 minutes after the jet.

Movies are available for viewing when the first author is present.

Future Work: Do a quantitative study of the flux change in each field-of-view, perform the analysis for 304 Å data, and identify more jets in other equatorial coronal holes. Seek the opportunity to do an in -depth study to determine the dominant mechanism for these events.

AIA-193 with HMI line-of-sight contours, contour levels ±15, 20, 40, 100 Gauss



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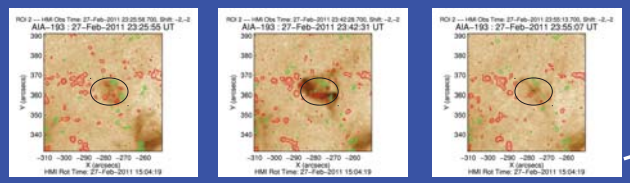

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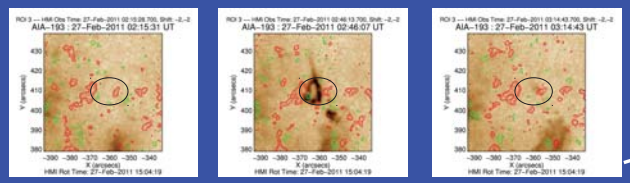

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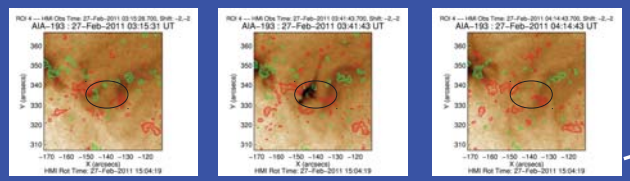

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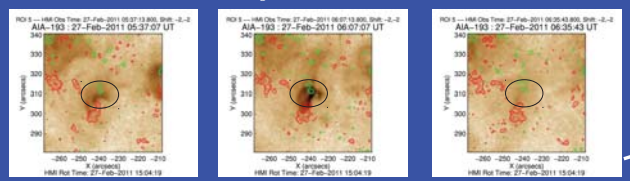

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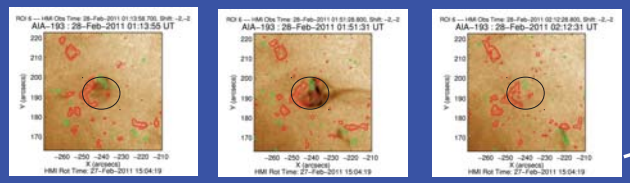
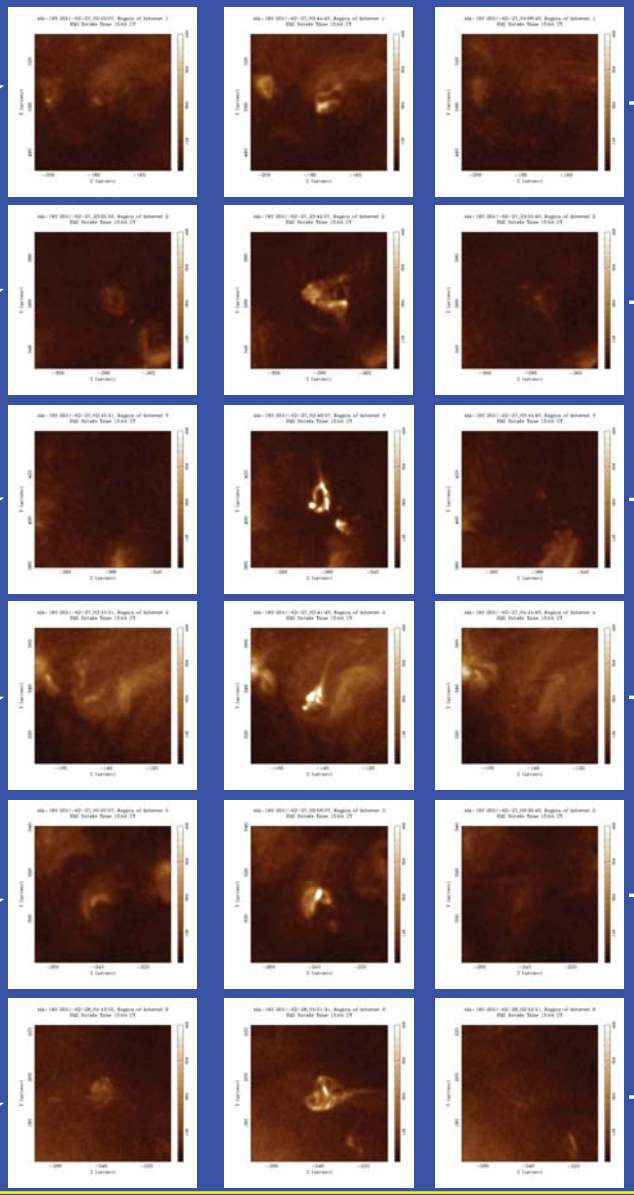


Region of Interest 6

AIA-193 Å intensity images



HMI line-of-sight component of the magnetic field, intensity images, ±40 Gauss