

Preview of First Results from Hi-C 2.1 and IRIS



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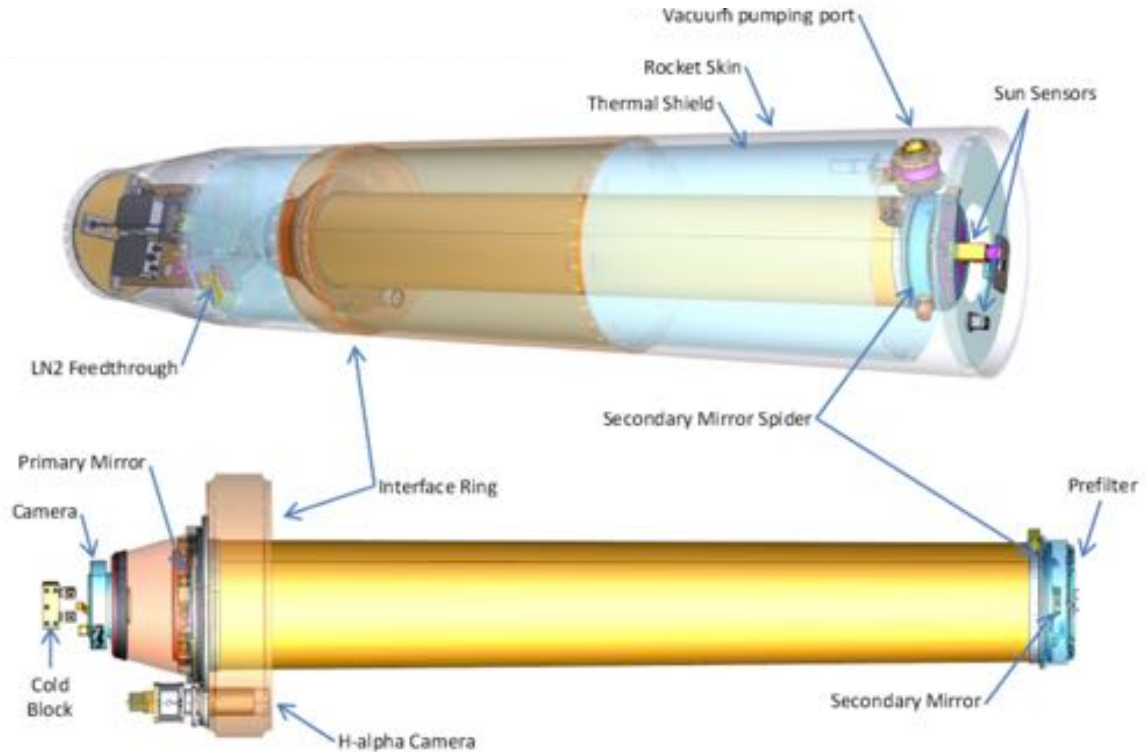


Hi-C: High-resolution Coronal imager

Telescope design capable of ~0.2-0.3" spatial resolution imaging of the corona.

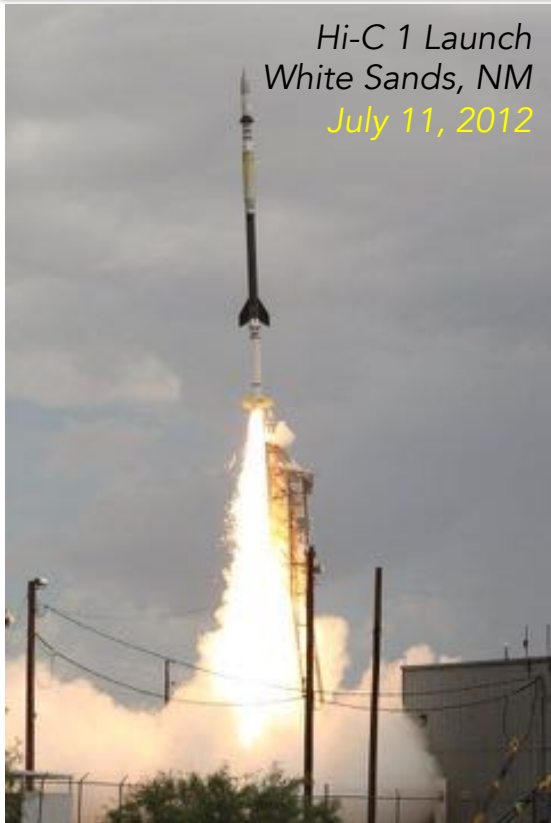
Pointing stability necessary to achieve resolution goal.

Image readout duration and data storage system capable of maintaining high-cadence observations.



Hi-C 1 results

Hi-C 1 Launch
White Sands, NM
July 11, 2012



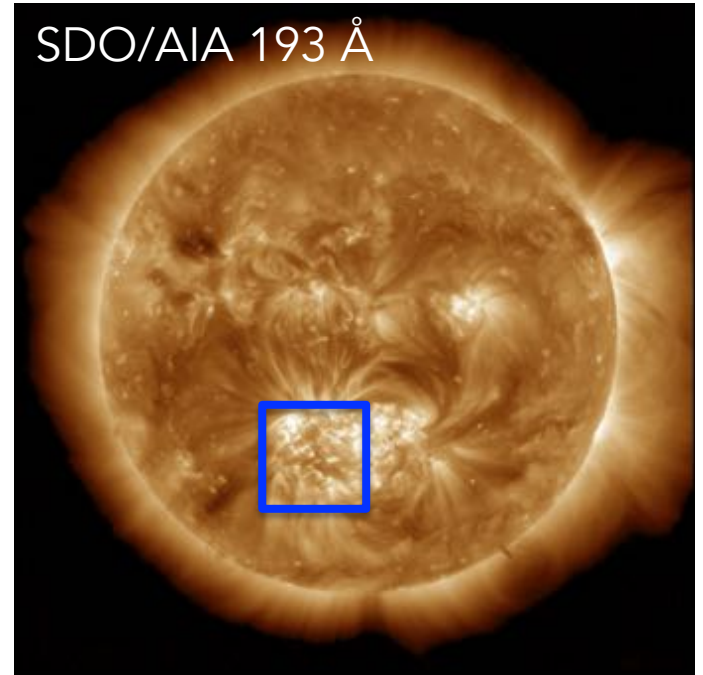
Active Region 11520 – 193 Å

26 publications for 5 minutes
of data!

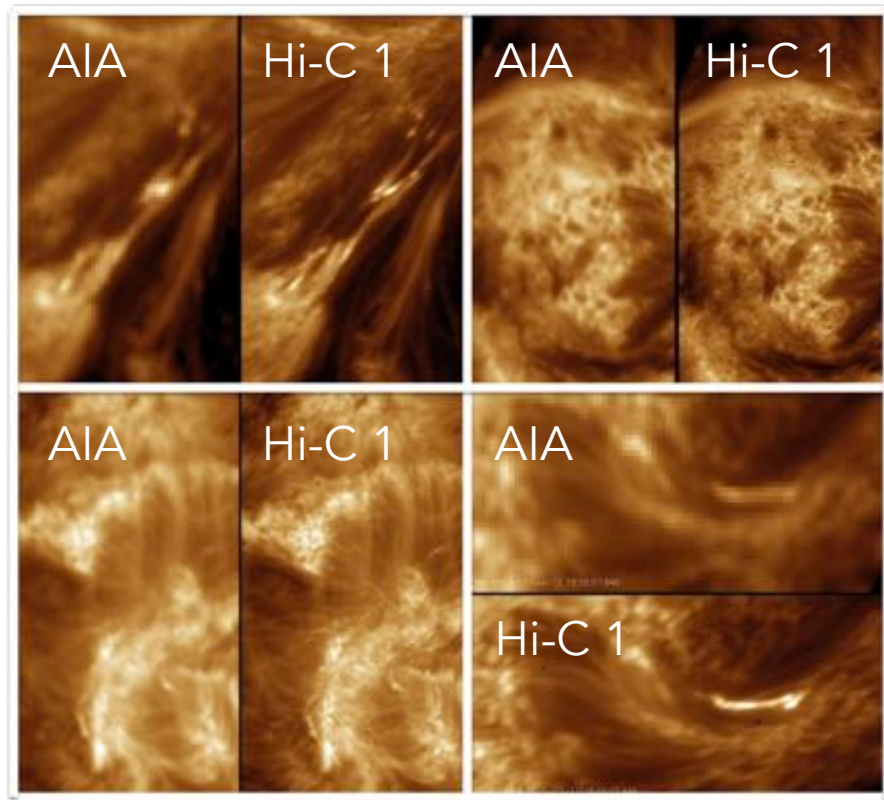
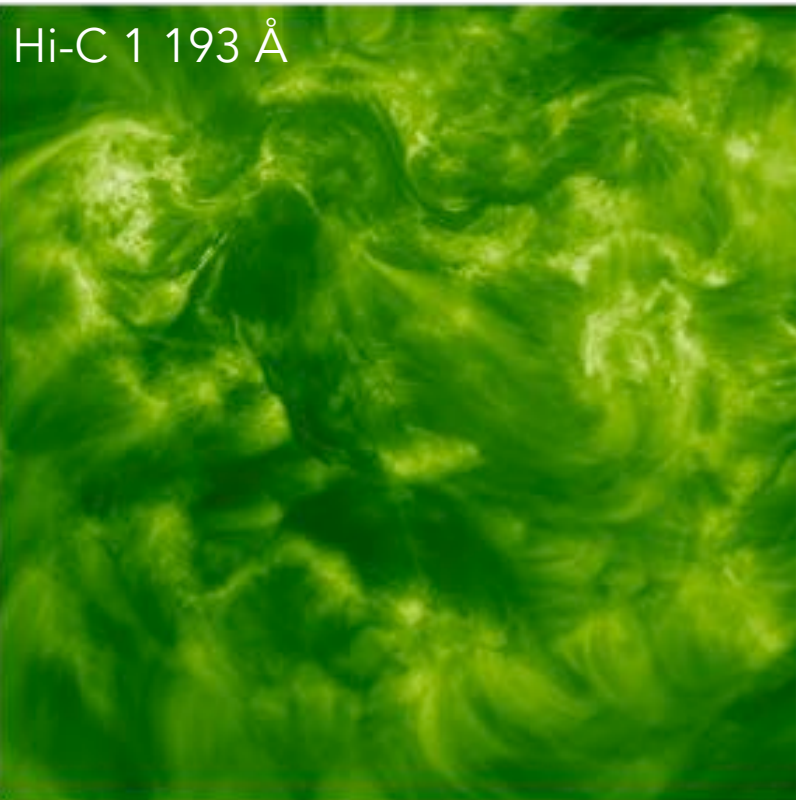
Science highlights:

- Braided loops triggering energy release through magnetic reconnection (*Cirtain et al. 2013, Nature*)
- Subflare triggers
- Nanoflare heating
- Loop sub-structure
- Moss dynamics
- Penumbra jets
- Flows along filament threads
- MHD waves

SDO/AIA 193 Å



Hi-C 1 results



Hi-C 2

Hi-C 2 Launch
White Sands, NM
July 27, 2016



Hi-C 2 mirror recoated to explore the important Chromospheric-Coronal Connection by targeting specific candidates likely to contribute to coronal heating:

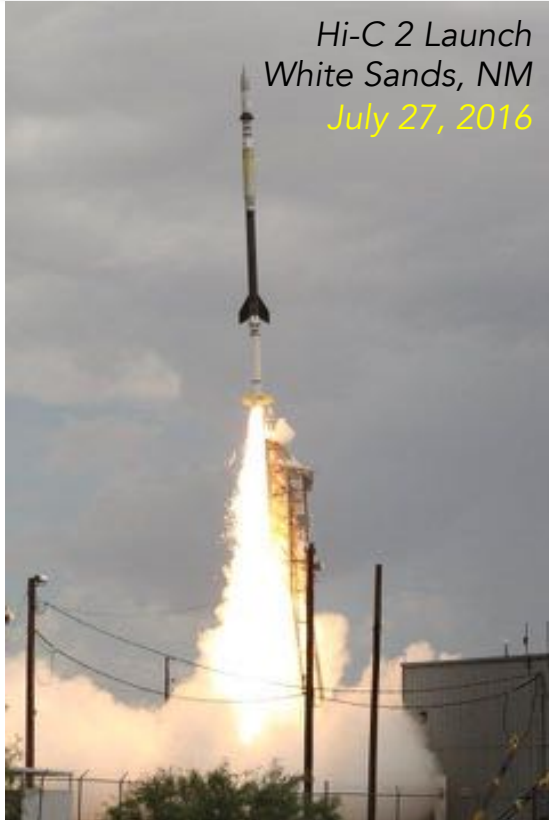
1. Type II spicules
2. Hot active region core loops

Updates for re-flight:

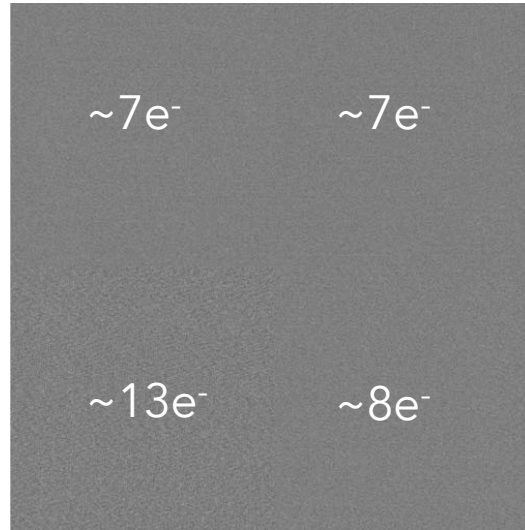
- Cooler bandpass centered on **172 Å**
- Significant improvement in camera quality (new MSFC-build designed for super low noise)
- **IRIS!**

Hi-C 2 results

*Hi-C 2 Launch
White Sands, NM
July 27, 2016*



Fantastic flight performance
verification of the low-noise
MSFC-built camera.



Hi-C 2.1

Cleaned up

Checked alignment

Upgraded cooling system

Added Hall Effect Sensor

Re-proposed

Hi-C 2.1

3.5 months after ATP....

Hi-C 2.1

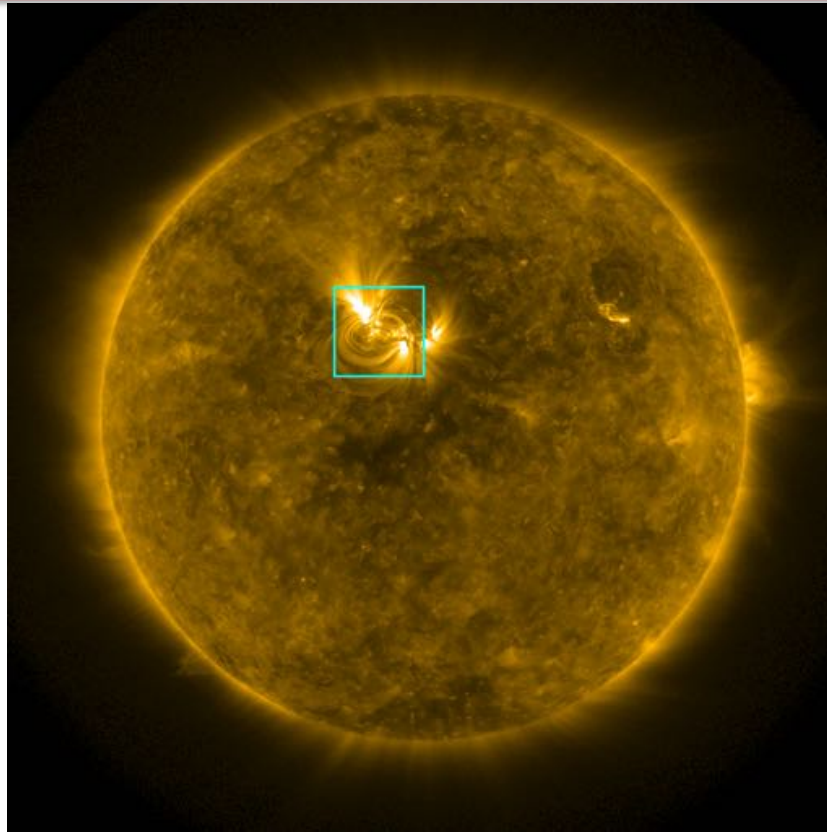
Hi-C 2.1 Launch
White Sands, NM
May 29, 2018



Hi-C 2.1 Observations

2018 May 29
18:54 UT

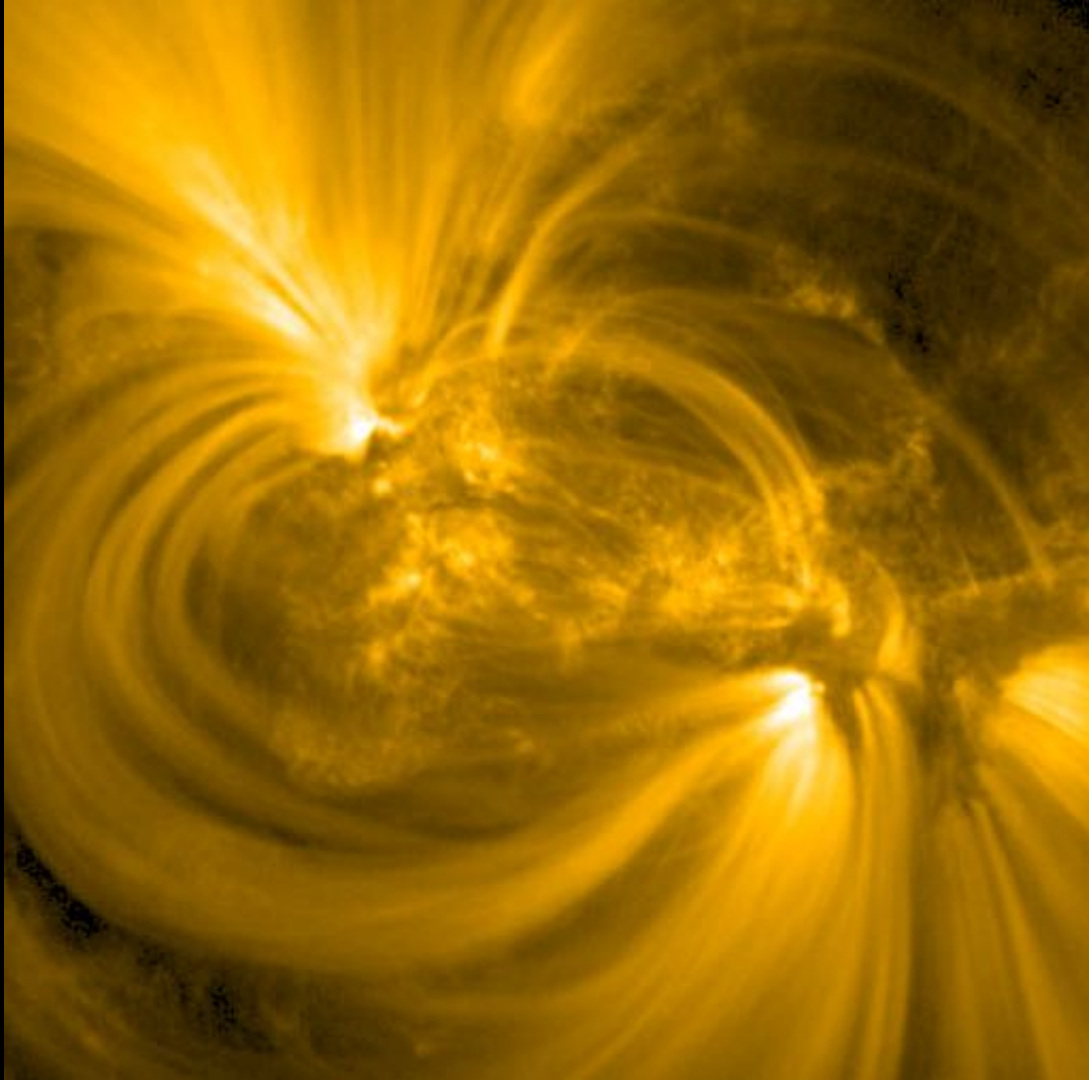
Target: AR 12712



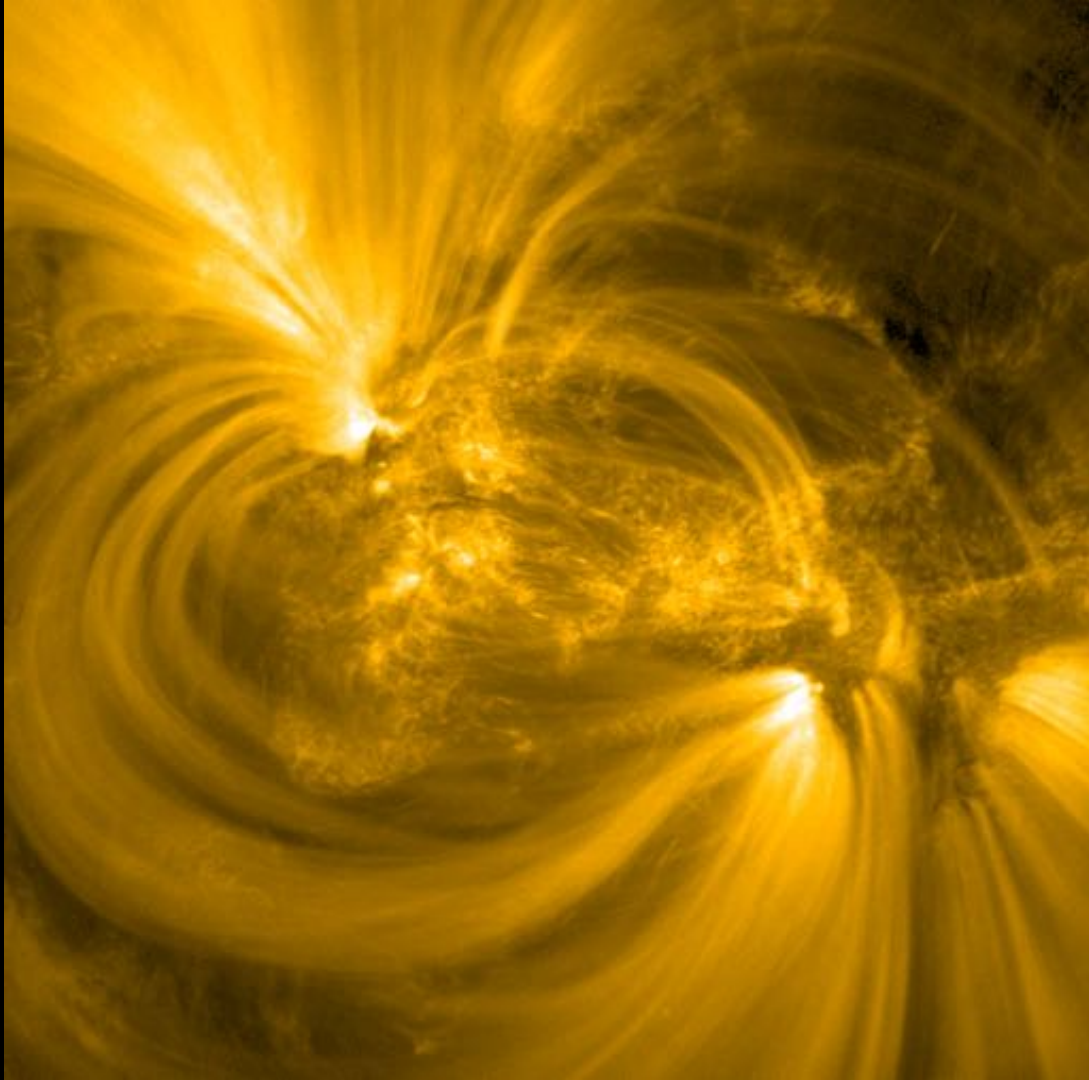
~ 15 minute flight

~ 5 minutes of solar
viewing data

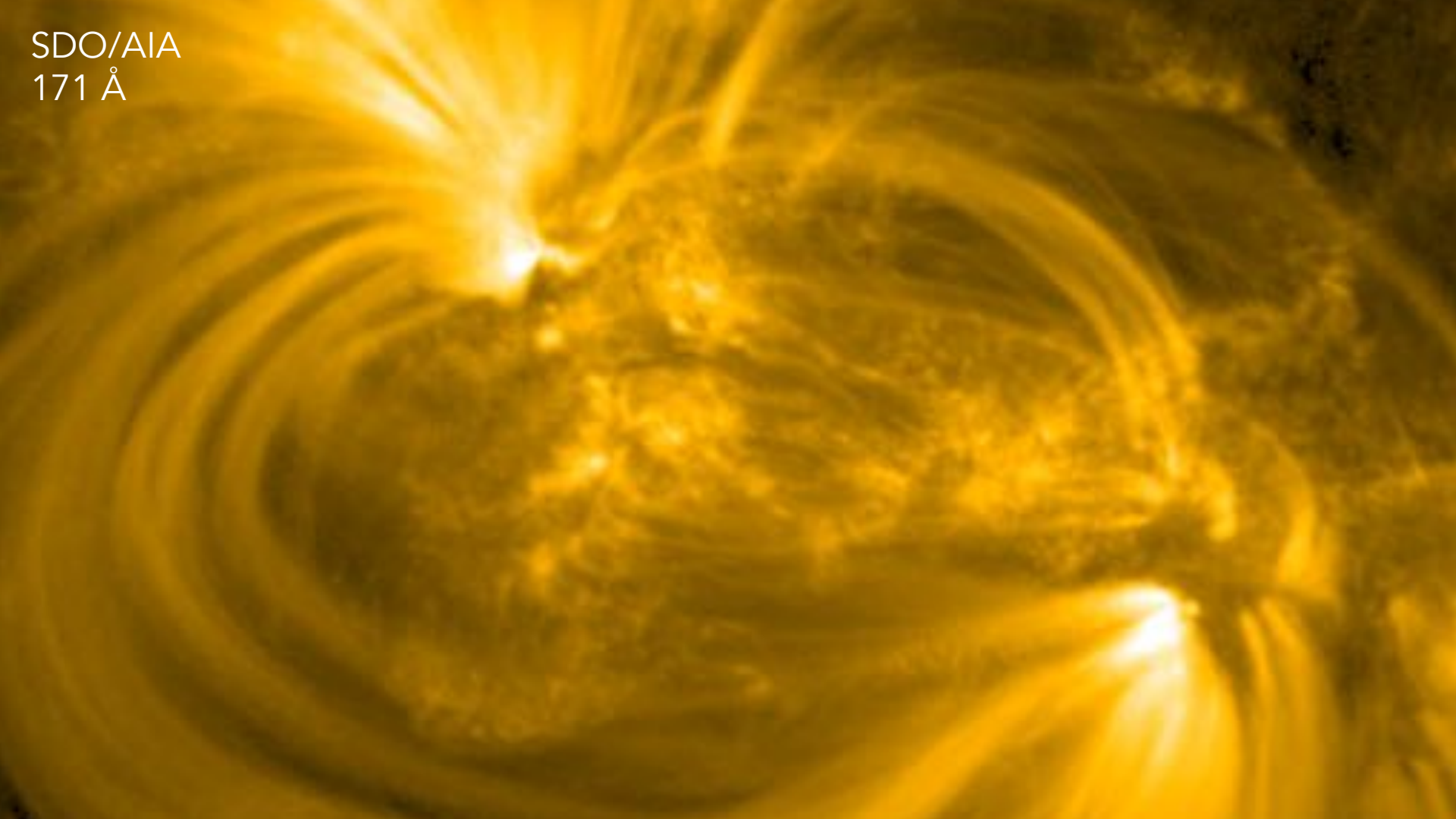
SDO/AIA
171 Å



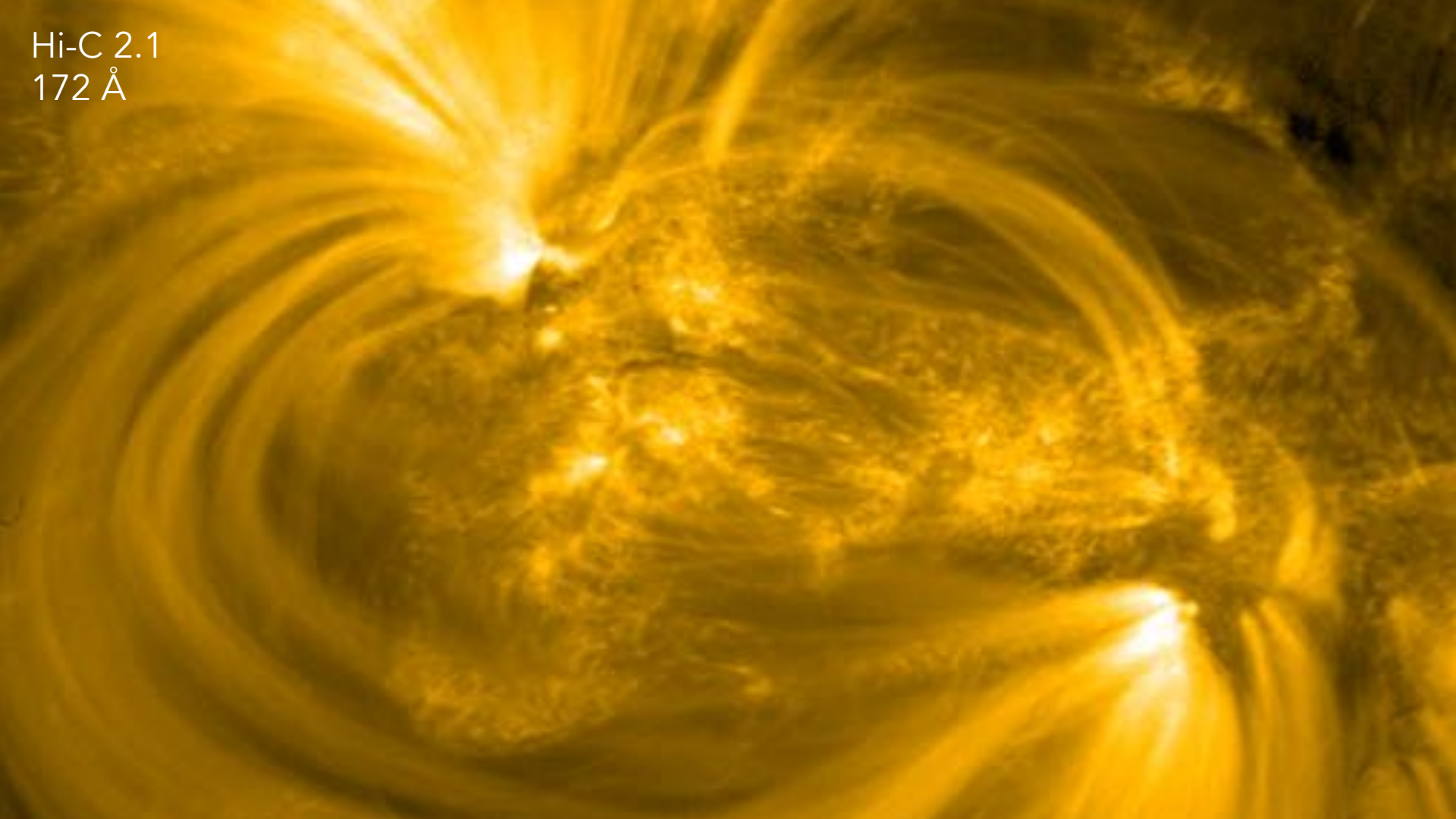
Hi-C 2.1
172 Å

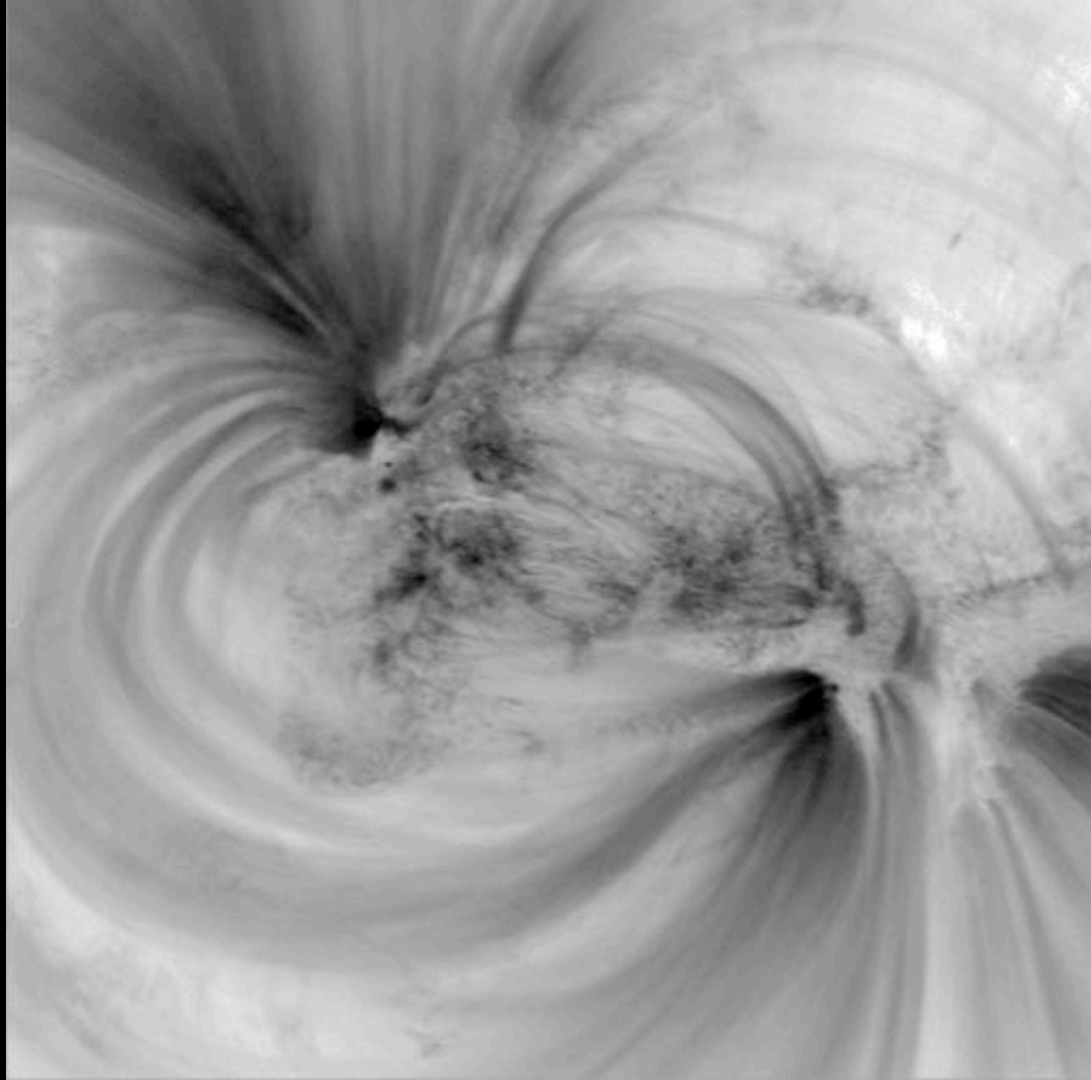


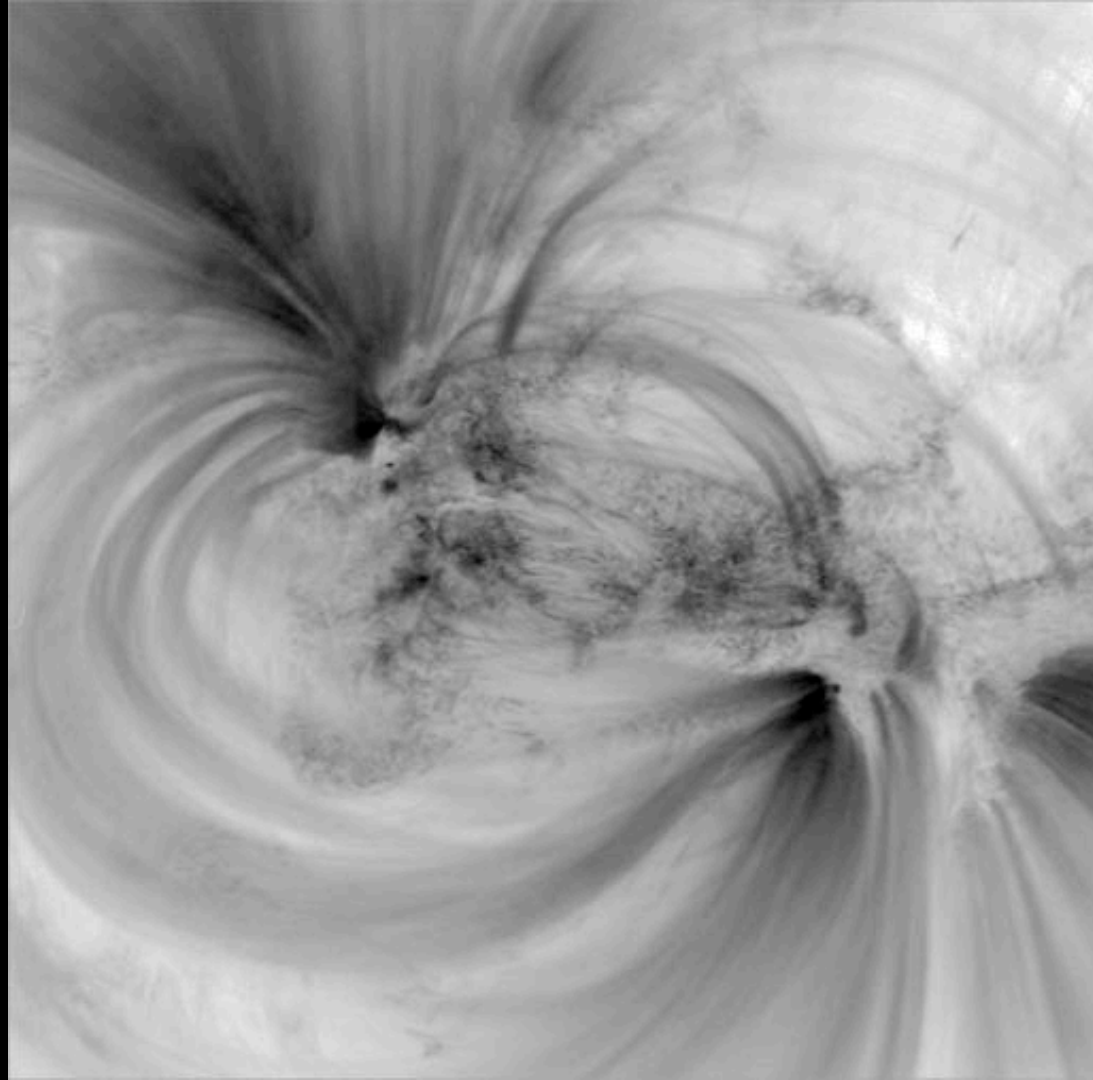
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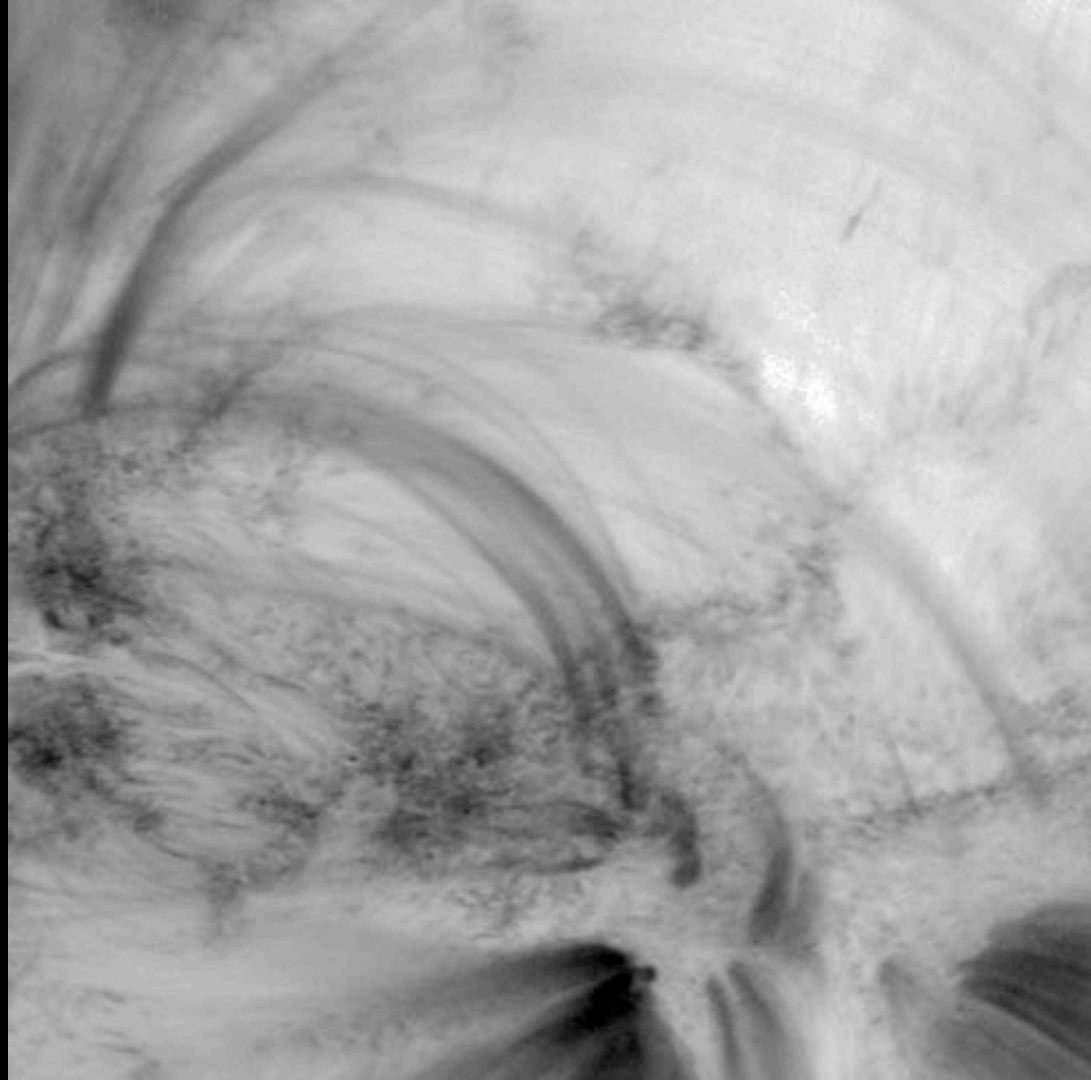


Hi-C 2.1
172 Å









Hi-C 2.1 – What makes this instrument work?

HIGH SPATIAL RESOLUTION

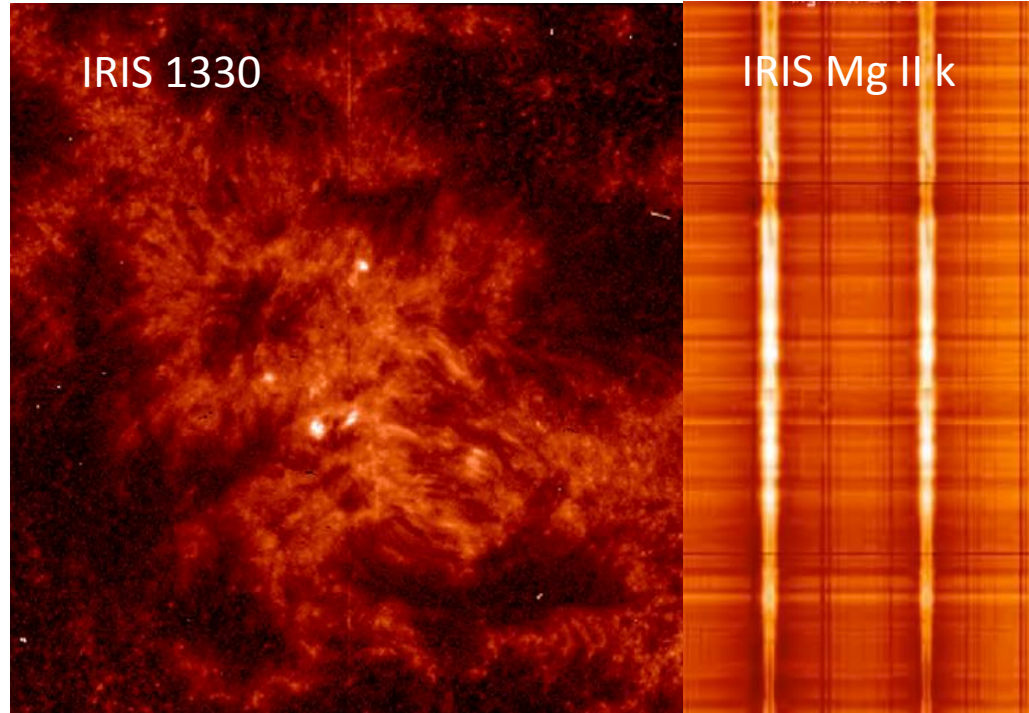
HIGH TEMPORAL RESOLUTION

LOW NOISE CAMERA

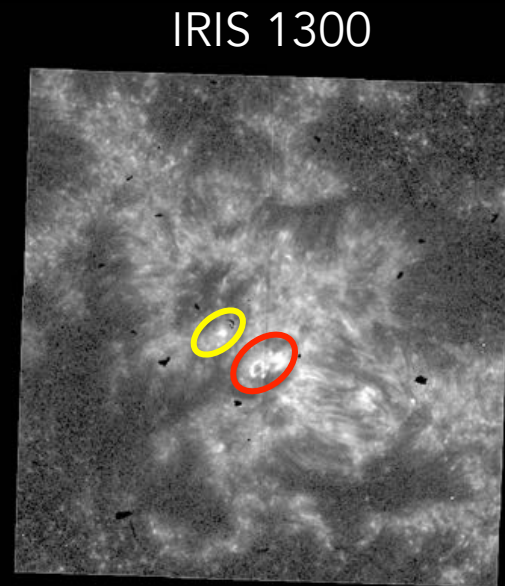
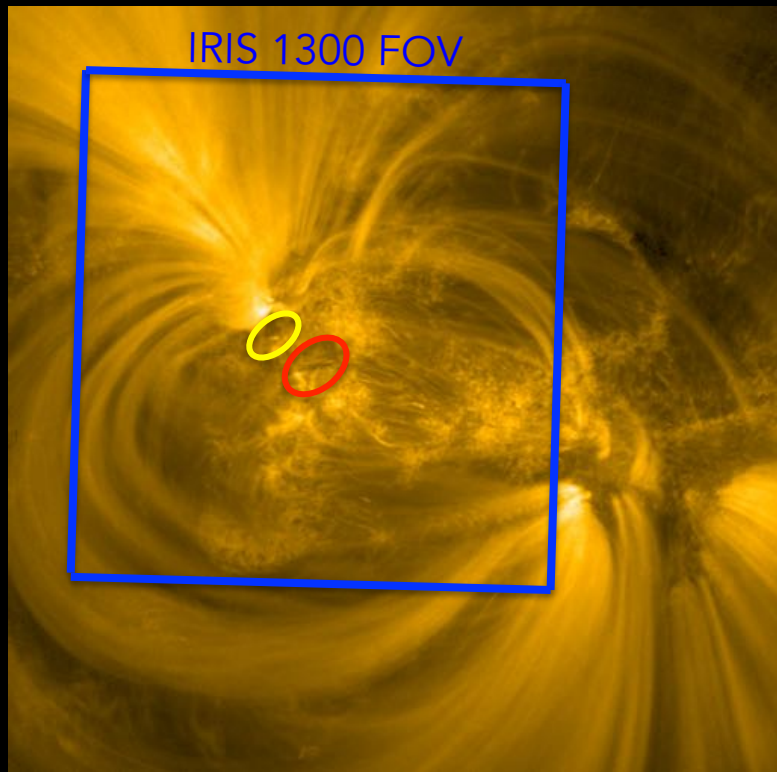
COORDINATED DATA SETS

IRIS coordinated data

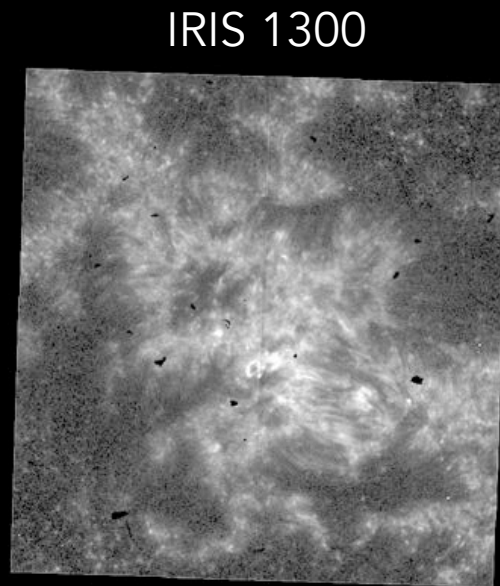
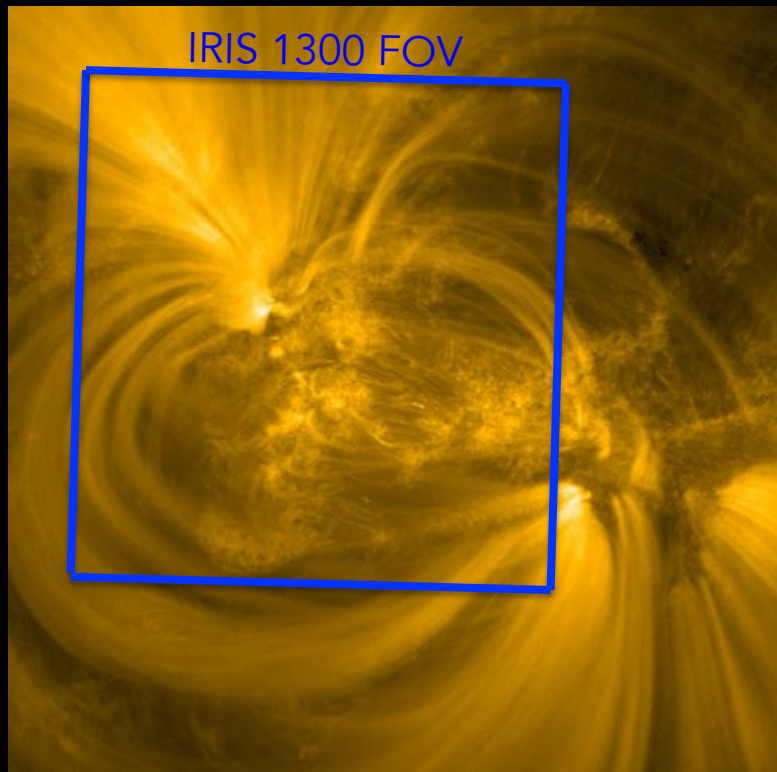
IRIS observations of a subset of the region at high resolution and spectra will be used to tie small features in the chromosphere to those in the corona.



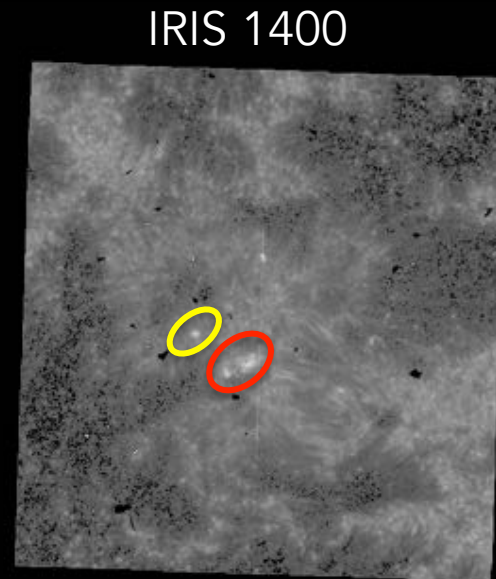
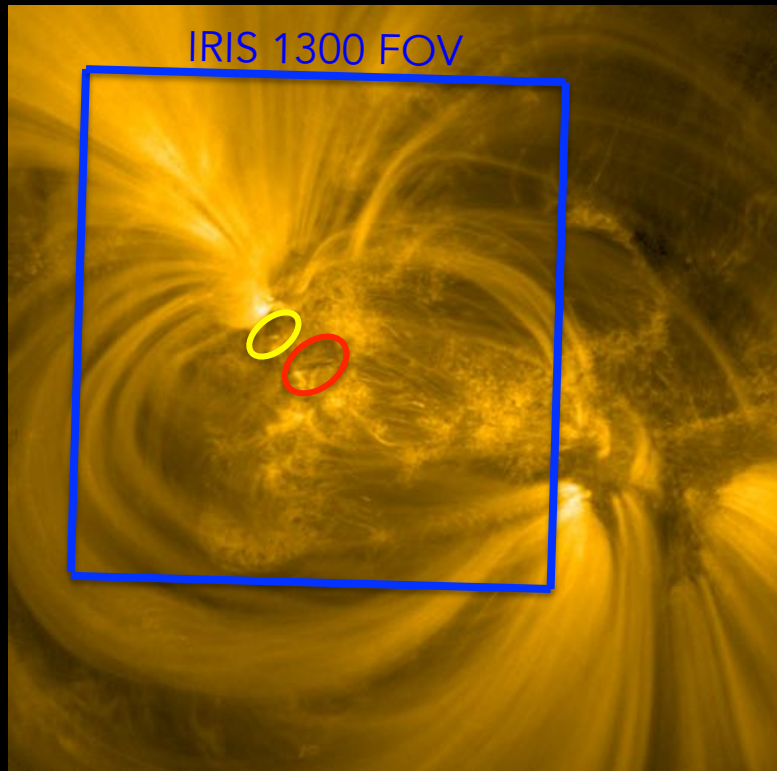
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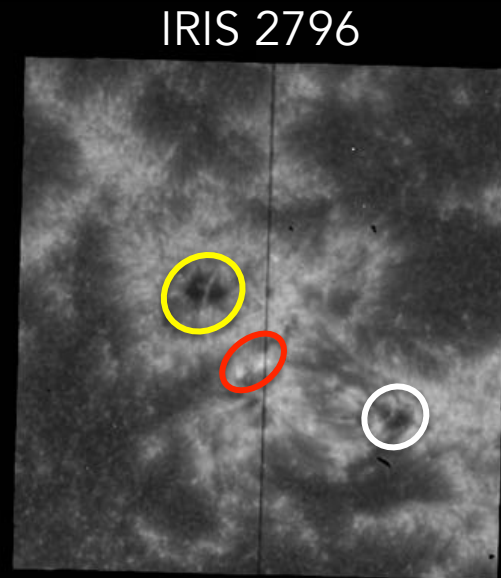
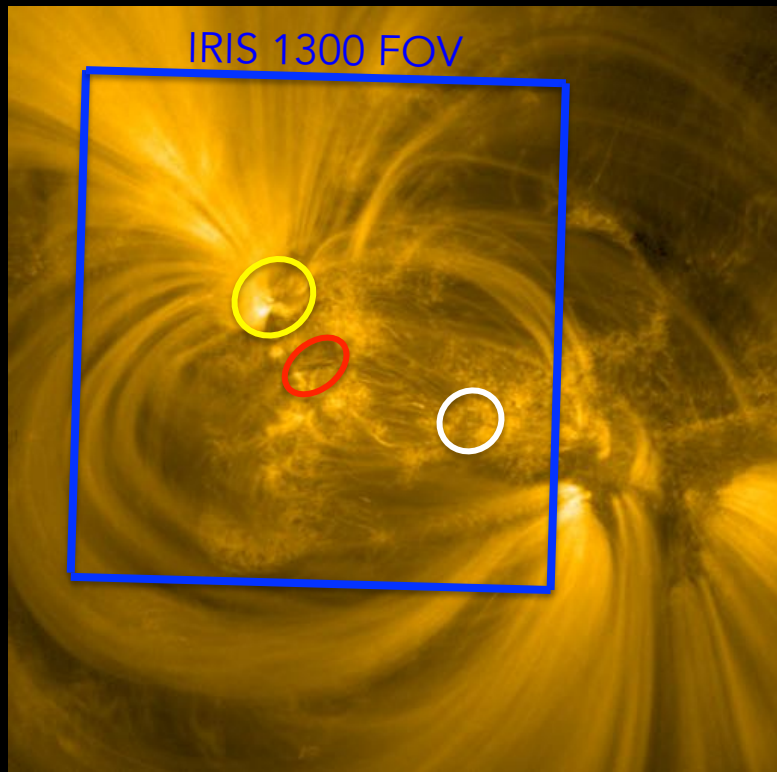
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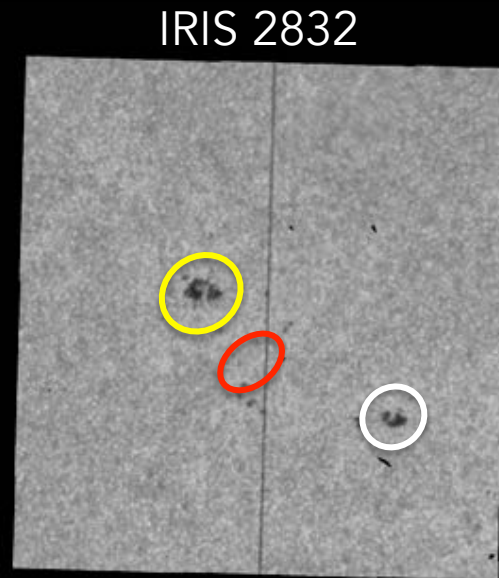
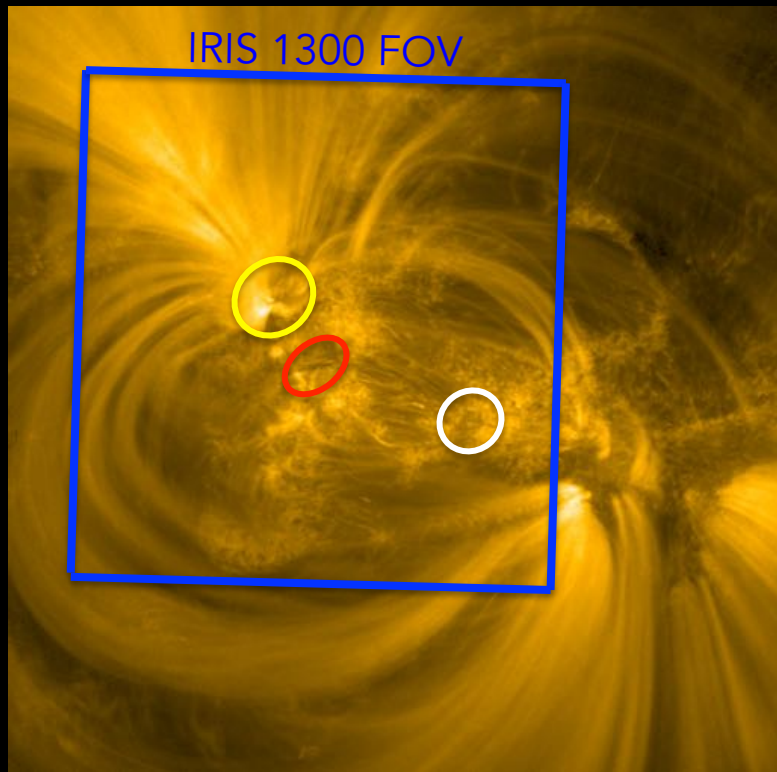
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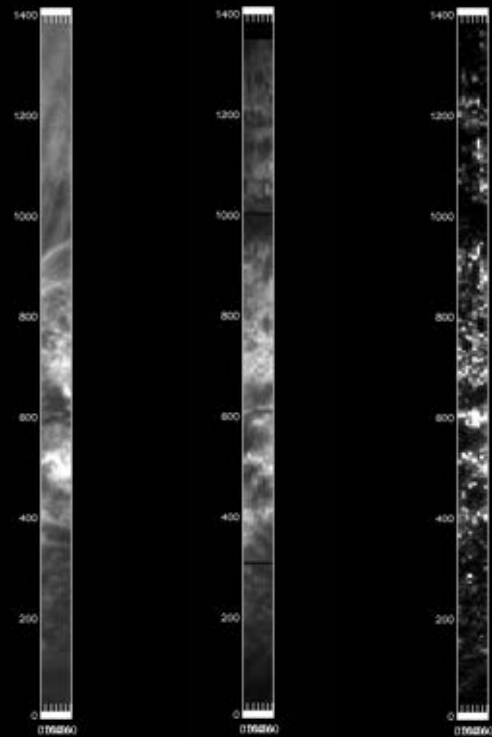
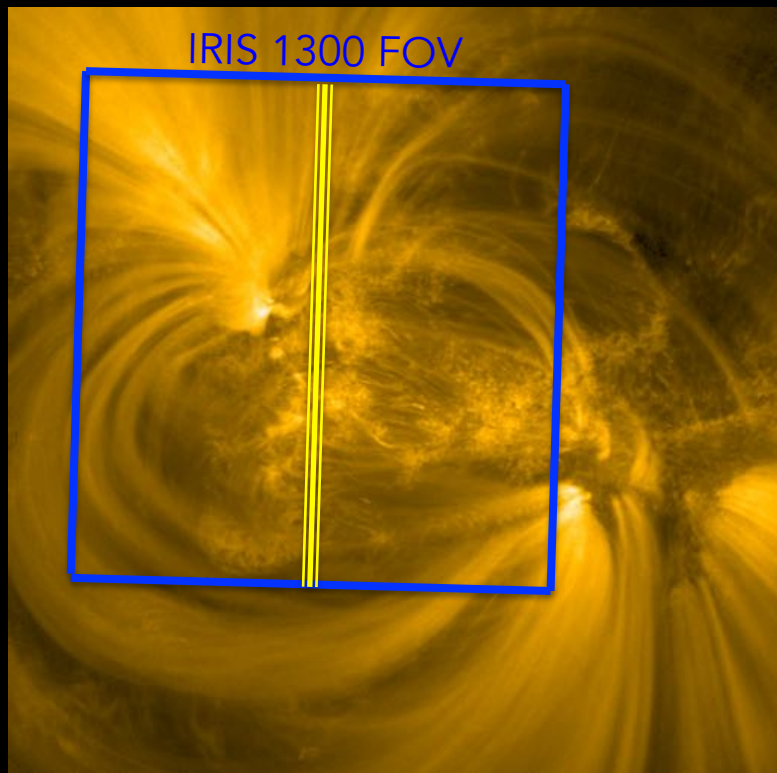
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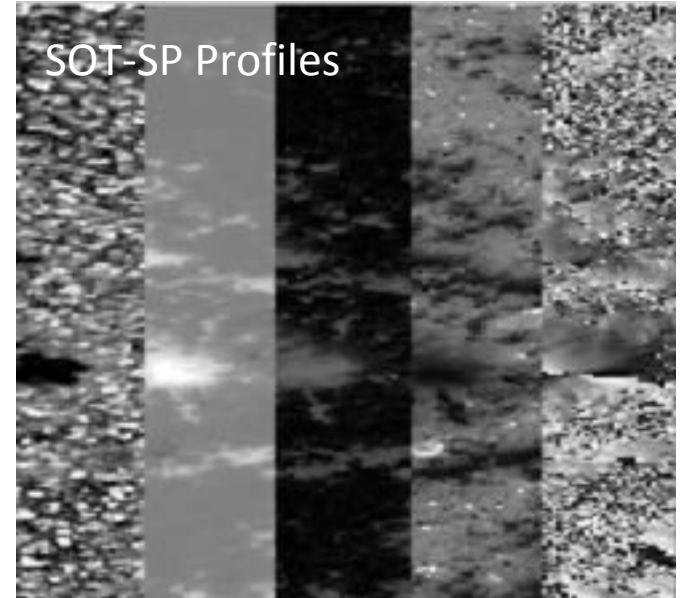
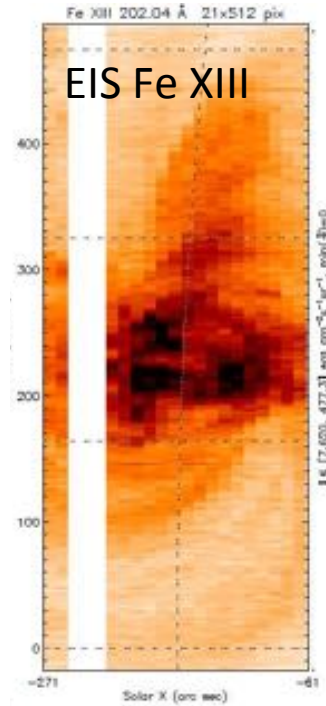
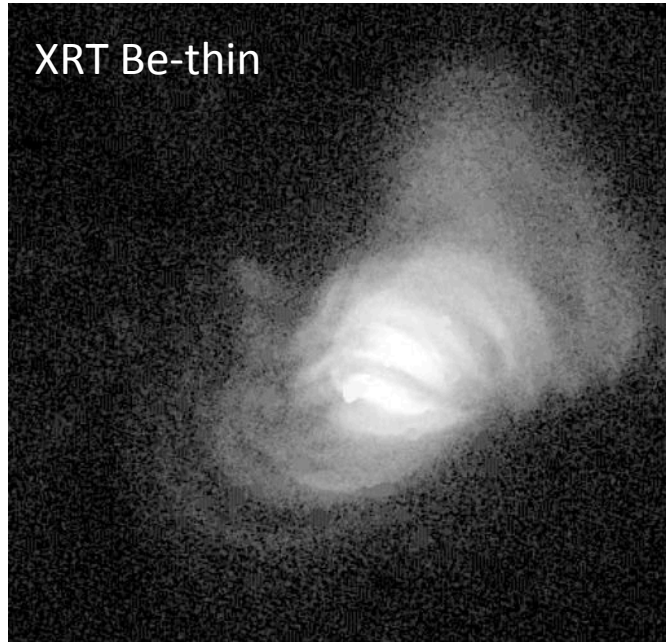
Hinode coordinated data

All three Hinode instruments successfully captured the Hi-C 2.1 region.

- XRT provides coronal context of the movement of hot plasma in the upper atmosphere above the Hi-C features.
 - EIS provides narrowband spectra of the hot coronal loops thereby precisely measuring plasma flow properties.
 - SOT-SP provides underlying magnetic field information to high precision.
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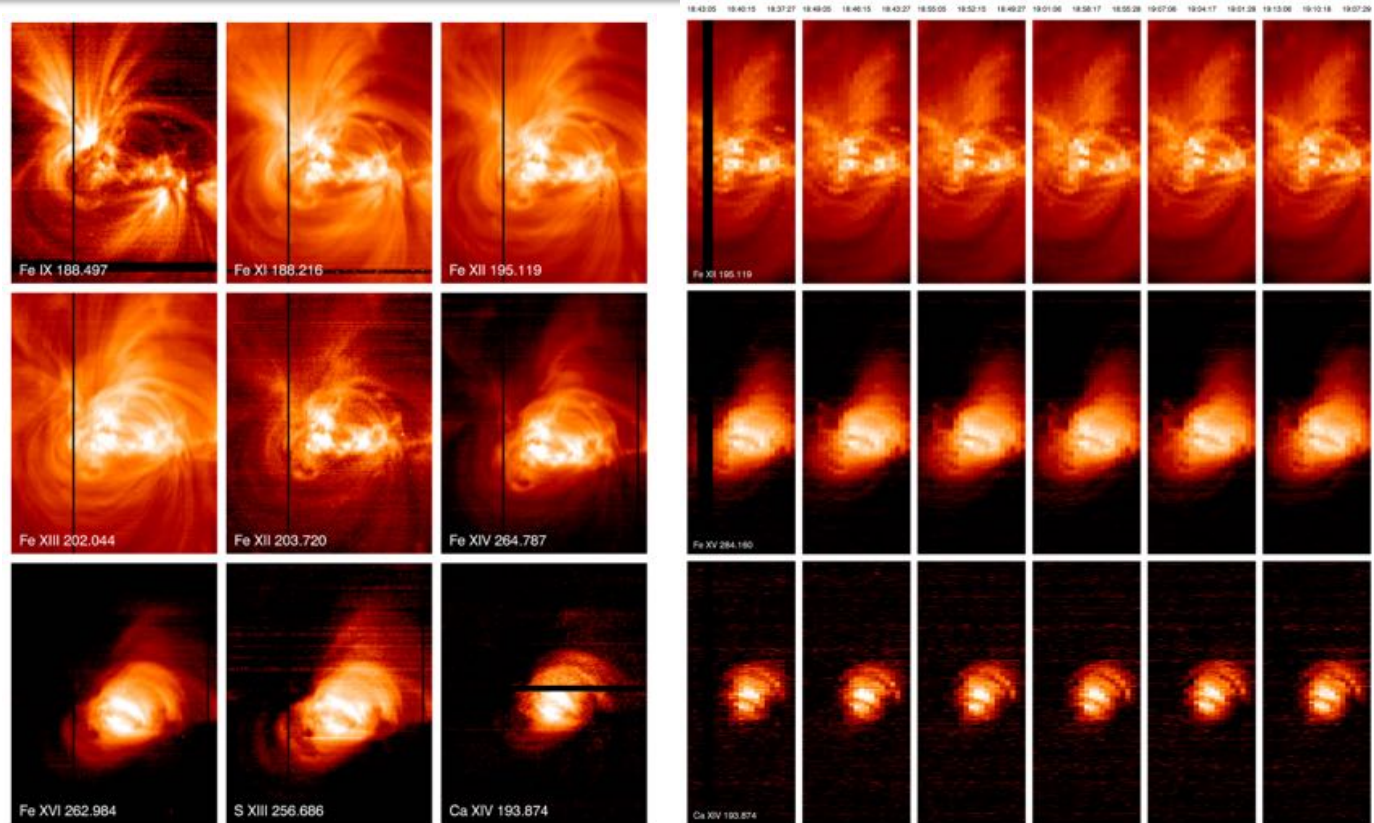
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Hinode coordinated data

EIS is BACK!



Science topics being pursued

- Thin, stranded loops [width variations]
 - Flows between transition region, chromosphere, and corona
 - Spicules
 - Nano/microflares
 - Moss/Plage brightenings
 - Flows along loops
 - Waves
 - Mini-jets
 - Etc.
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Additional Coordinated Data Sets

- NuSTAR
- BBSO
- Owens Valley
- ~SST

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AGU plug

Add AGU session approved for highlighting sounding rocket results.

Hi-C 2.1 science results expected to be presented in this session!



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Thanks, and stay tuned....

