

Data-Driven Modelling of Solar Eruptive Flares

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This presentation will review advances in using observational data to drive models of solar flares and eruptions. Tremendous advances in this area have been made since the launch of NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory in 2010 [1]. The talk begins by discussing the astrophysical and plasma processes that are important in solar flares and eruptions (e.g. magnetic flux emergence, stratification, thermal conduction, magnetic reconnection and more) [2,3,4,5]. We then present the challenges of turning observational (vector) magnetogram [6] sequences into appropriate boundary conditions for data-driven models [7,8,9]. We illustrate attempts to address these challenges with a review of existing data-driven models and validation efforts.[10,11,12] Finally, we discuss outstanding problems and opportunities for improvements [13].

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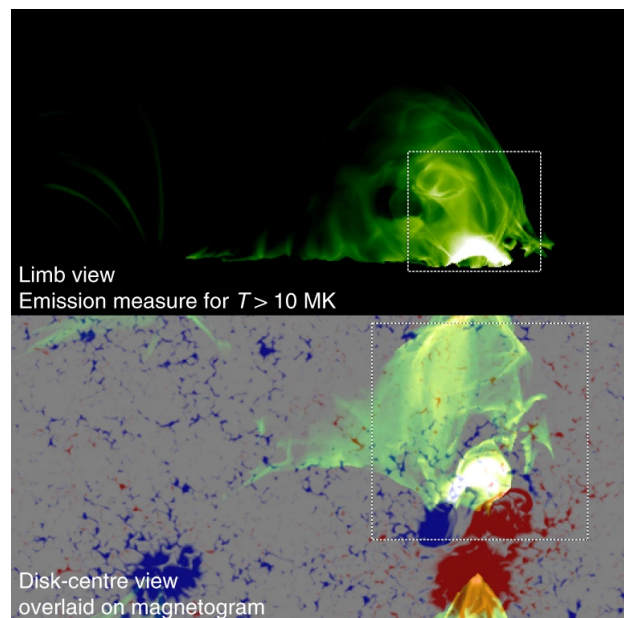


Figure 1: Radiative magnetohydrodynamics simulation of a solar flare [5].