Space Weather Effects of Solar Wind Transients in the Sun - Earth Distance – IPS Studies

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Major Observing Facilities

Giant Metrewave Radio Telescope (multi-frequency synthesis imaging system)

> Ooty Radio Telescope (solar spectrograph)

- 530m (N-S) x 30m (E-W) east-west tracking of ~9.5 hours
- North-South beam steering (± 65 deg. declination)
- High sensitivity, S/N ~ 25 (1s integration, BW 4 MHz)
 - Observes ~1000 radio sources per day
- Ooty Radio Telescope is upgraded (BW ~40 MHz, 27 deg coverage)



Ooty Callisto – Part of Worldwide Radio Network





Space Weather Forecasts: Required Solar, IPM Measurements and Models



Interplanetary scintillation

Ooty IPS Observations



- Measurements on a large number of radio sources in a day (different line-of-sight cuts in 3D heliosphere) – allow speed and Δne estimates – provide couple of snap shot images of the inner heliosphere per day.
- At Ooty more than 1000 radio sources are observed per day
 - Computer assisted tomography (CAT) developed by Bernie Jackson and his group at UCSD can provide line of sight integral corrected solar wind
 - The time-dependent CAT (e.g., Jackson et al. 2009) can been employed to reconstruct the solar wind density and velocity structures.



<u>5 Nov 7-15 UT</u> <u>5/6 Nov 23-7 UT</u> <u>6 Nov 7-17 UT</u>









Solar Wind Velocity Maps Observed at Ooty



Ooty IPS Synoptic Maps – Density Turbulence and Speed



Representative synoptic images of solar wind normalized density turbulence (G-map, left) and speed (v-map, middle) from Ooty IPS measurements for Carrington Rotations 1936, 1964, and 2043, respectively for ascending, maximum, and minimum phases of the solar cycle #23. At the right, extrapolated magnetic field images are shown.



Ooty IPS Solar Wind Speed



YEAR

Evolution of Coronal Mass Ejections (Sun to 1 AU distance)

CME Propagation Speed (from Sun to Earth)

Height – Time plot

Radial Evolution of Speed



Speed Profiles: V_{CME}(**R**)



Which CMEs can cause most intense geo-magnetic storms?







 α (V(R) Slope at R≥100 R_{\odot})



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Three-dimensional density (left panels) and velocity (right panel) images of the solar wind reconstructed from Ooty IPS observations, showing the merged structure of two CMEs (shown inside the ellipse) hitting the Earth on 20 November 2003, at around 6 UT.



Two merged magnetic clouds in the interplanetary medium with the solar sources.

Near-Earth Observations





Interplanetary medium plasma parameters at 1 AU during 19-23 November 2003

Tomography reconstruction of Ooty IPS Data

Solar rotation and radial outward flow of the solar wind provide the 3-d structure of the solar wind at different view angles



Computer Assisted Tomography analysis

can remove the line-of-sight integration imposed on the solar wind parameters also provides high spatial resolution

3D Ooty Density and Speed Reconstructions





(density and speed)







3-D reconstruction of heliosphere Solar Events during September 4 – 13, 2005

No.	Date	Flare Class	Flare Loc.	$\begin{array}{c} { m CME} \\ { m Time} \\ ({ m UT}) \end{array}$	CME Type	CME Speed kms ⁻¹	РА	Type-II Speed kms ⁻¹
1	04/09	C2.0	W Limb	14:48	PHalo	1000-1500	N-W	
2	05/09	C2.7	E Limb	09:48	Halo	2350	S-E	
3	06/09	M1.4	W Limb	21:12	PHalo	200 - 1000	N-W	
4	07/09	X17.0	S11E77	17:40	Halo?		S-E	≥ 1900

Corresponding ARs #803 and #808 - These events were responsible for spectacular and orderly flux-rope type of ejections, as illustrated following by the Ooty IPS analyses.

LASCO C2 images













Co-rotating Interaction Regions (CIRs)



CR2013 CR2014



Interested in IPS data, welcome to collaborate

Thank You