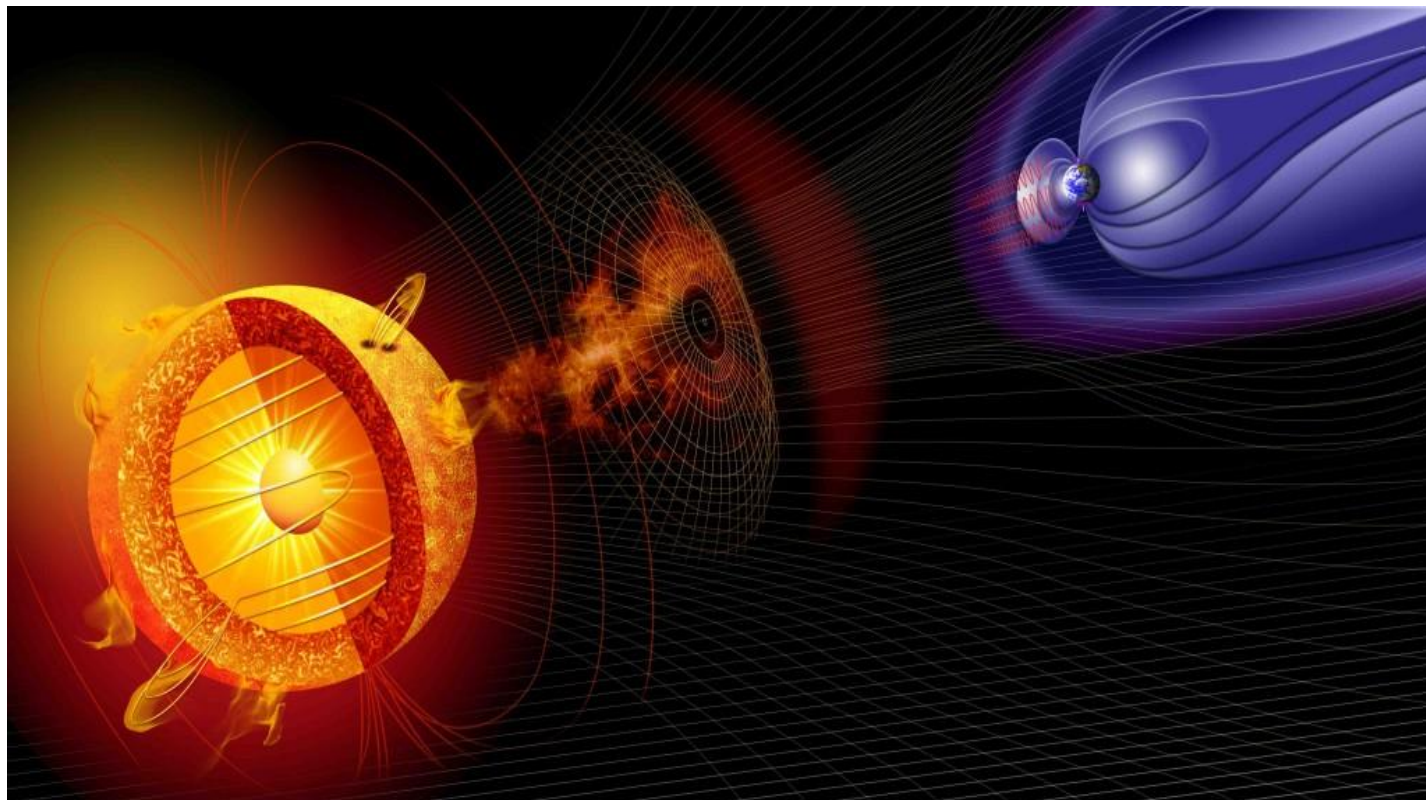


Some progresses for space observations of solar corona from China, instrument overview

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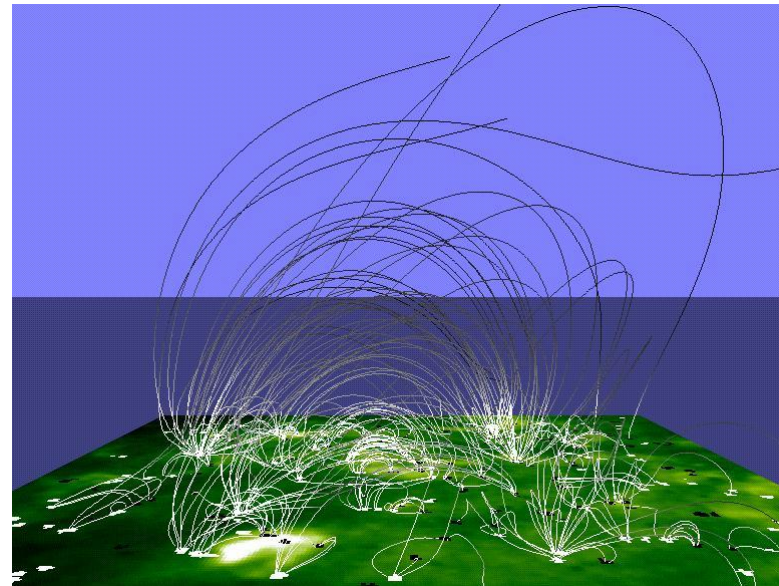
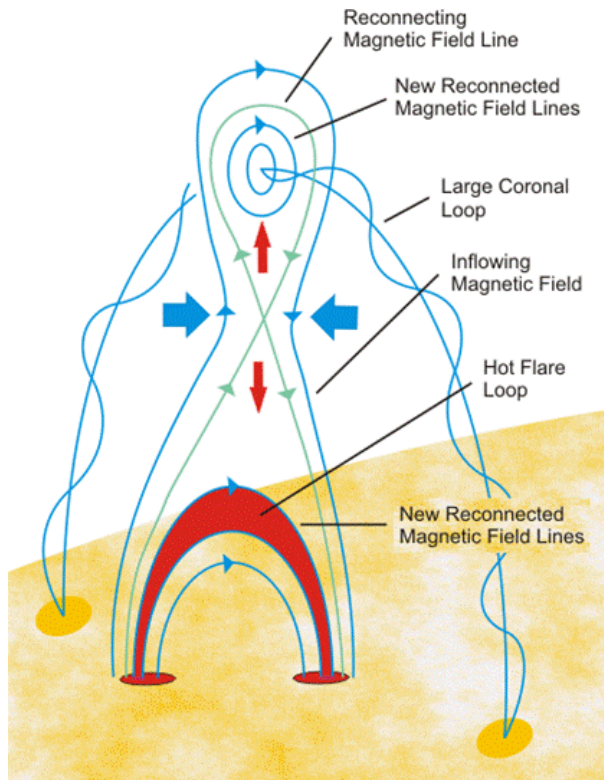
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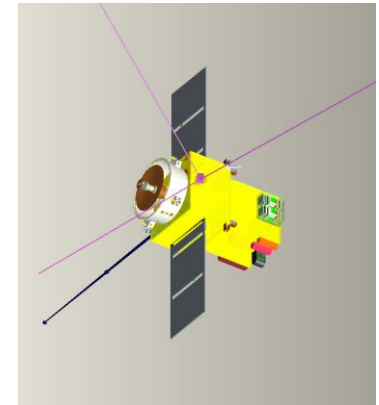
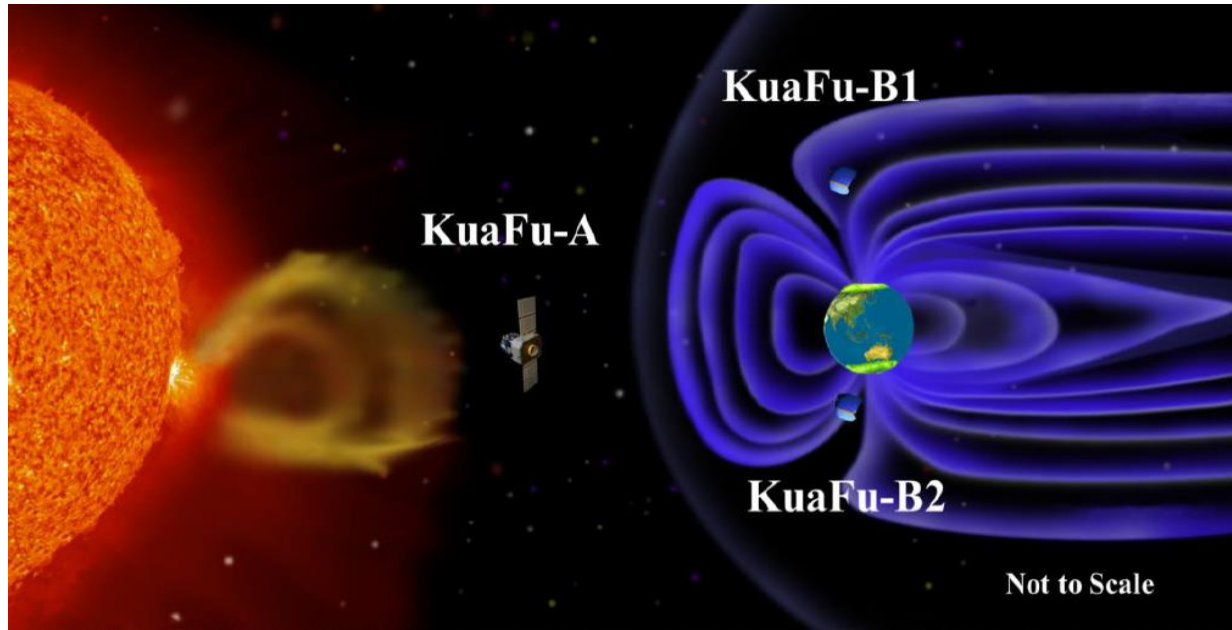


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- To discover more delicate physical processes happened inside the solar corona, some Chinese instruments have been developed to record corona phenomena at high accuracy for space observations.
- One is a Lyman-alpha coronagraph using total reflection design for a future solar observation satellite on near earth orbit.
- Another one is a white light coronagraph for a future solar observation satellite on L5 point

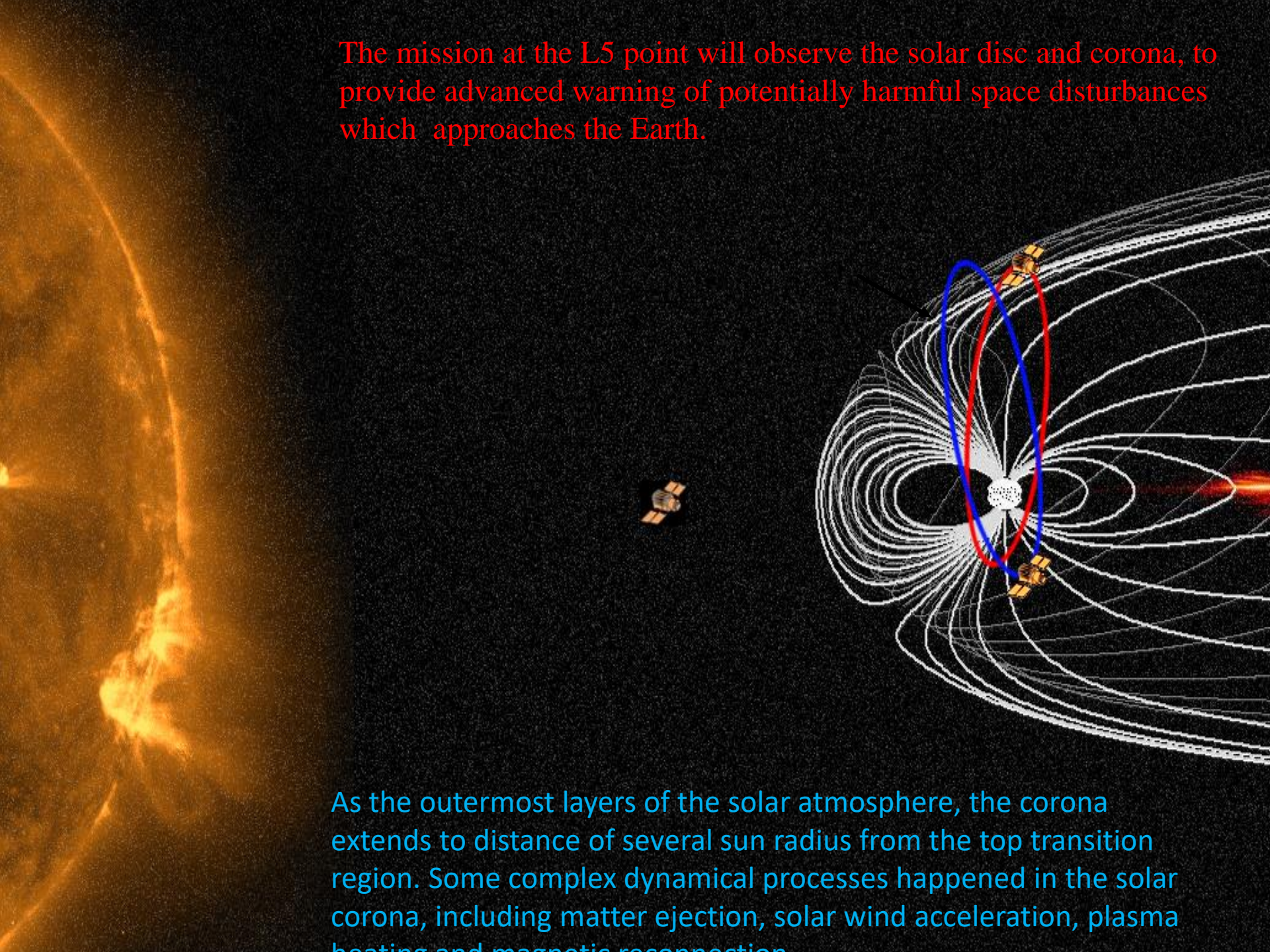


Kuafu plan

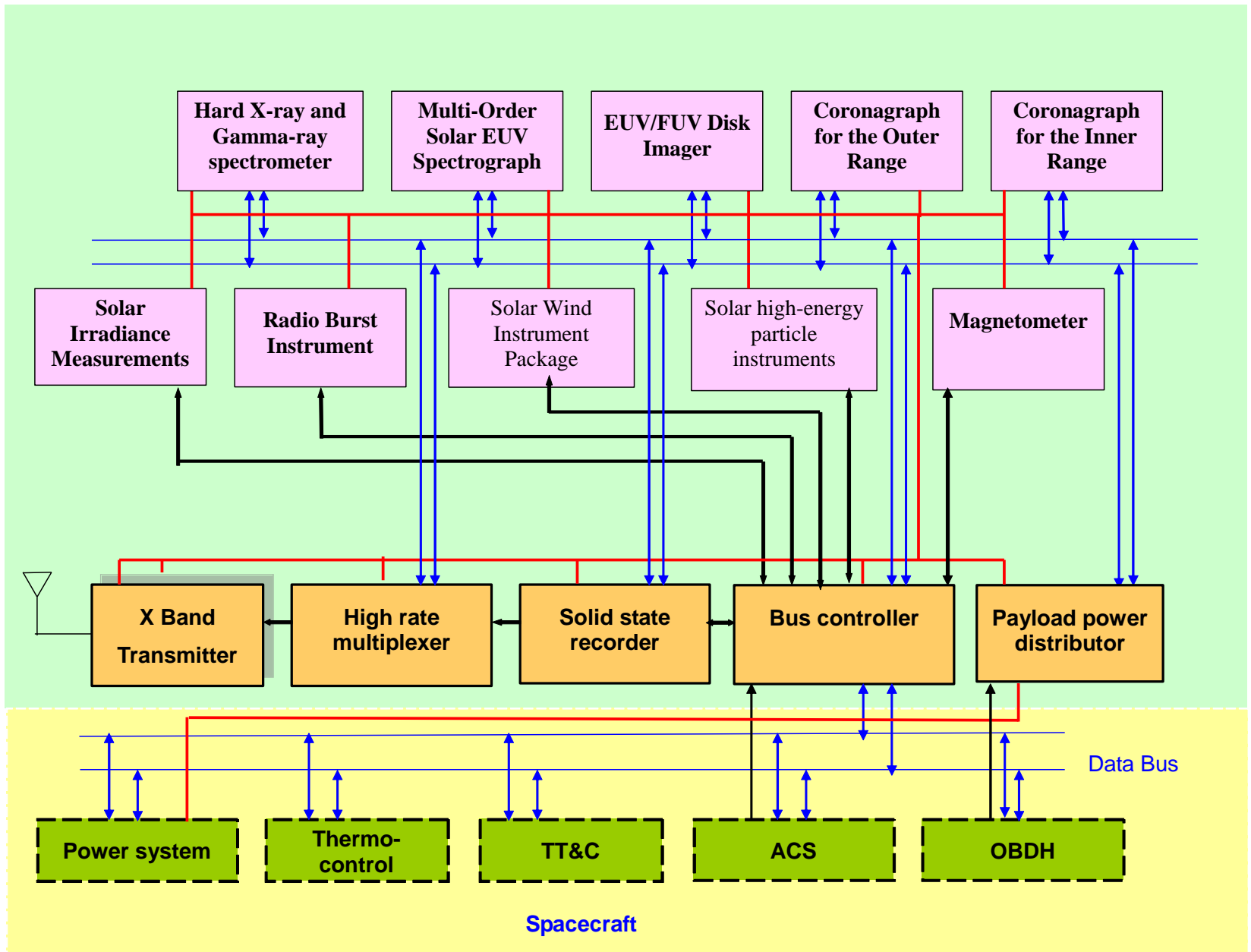


- The original three-satellite configuration in collaboration between Chinese Academy of Sciences and ESA is changed.
- Future mission may be placed at L5 point, instead of L1 point.
- Kuafu A satellite : 3-axis stabilized satellite

The mission at the L5 point will observe the solar disc and corona, to provide advanced warning of potentially harmful space disturbances which approaches the Earth.



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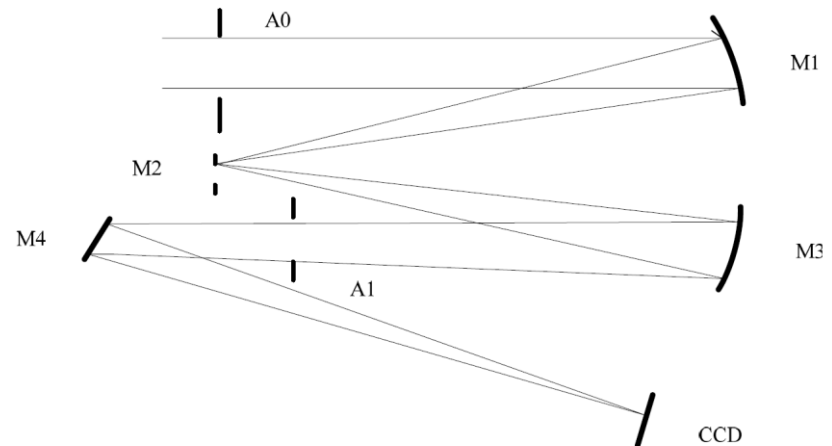


Lyman-alpha coronagraph

Brightness of the corona is very weak. It is not easy to handle instrument pupil edge diffraction and scattering caused by primary mirror in coronagraph design.

Lyman - Alpha radiation is the main components of the chromospheres spectrum.

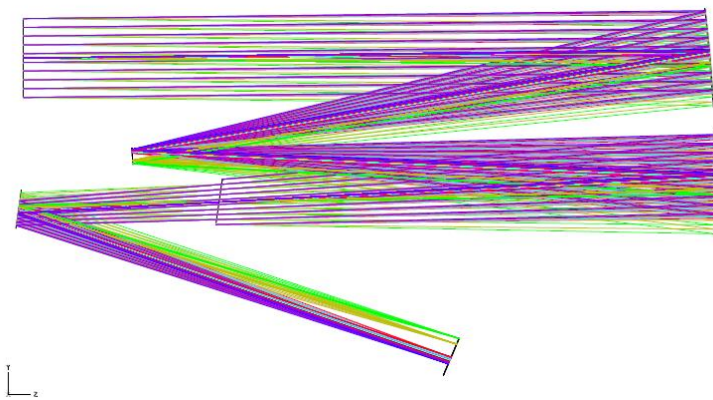
Field	1.1~2.5R _☉
Wavelength	121.6nm
Resolution	9.4"
Entrance pupil	40mm
F [#]	14.75



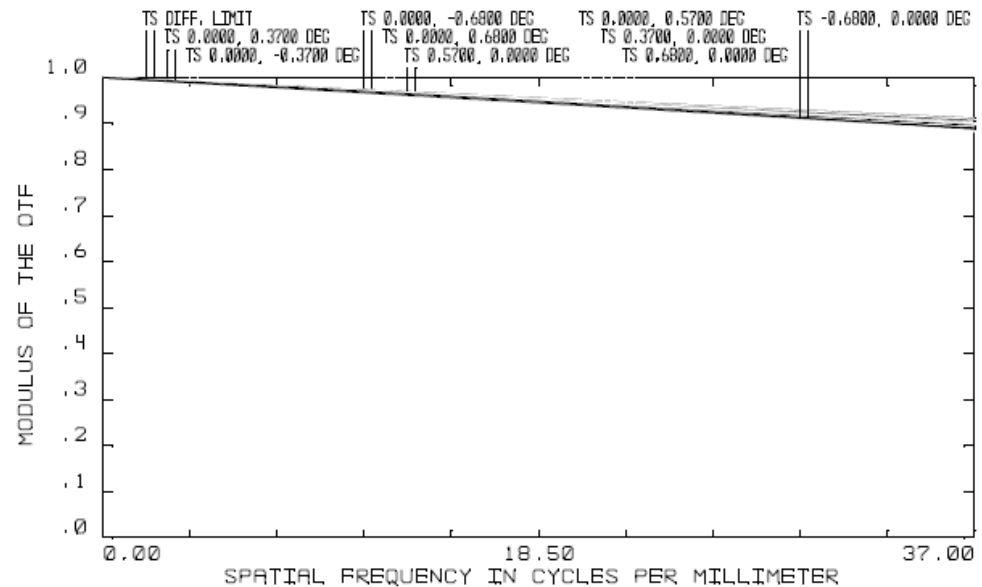
Lyman-alpha coronagraph

Total reflection design

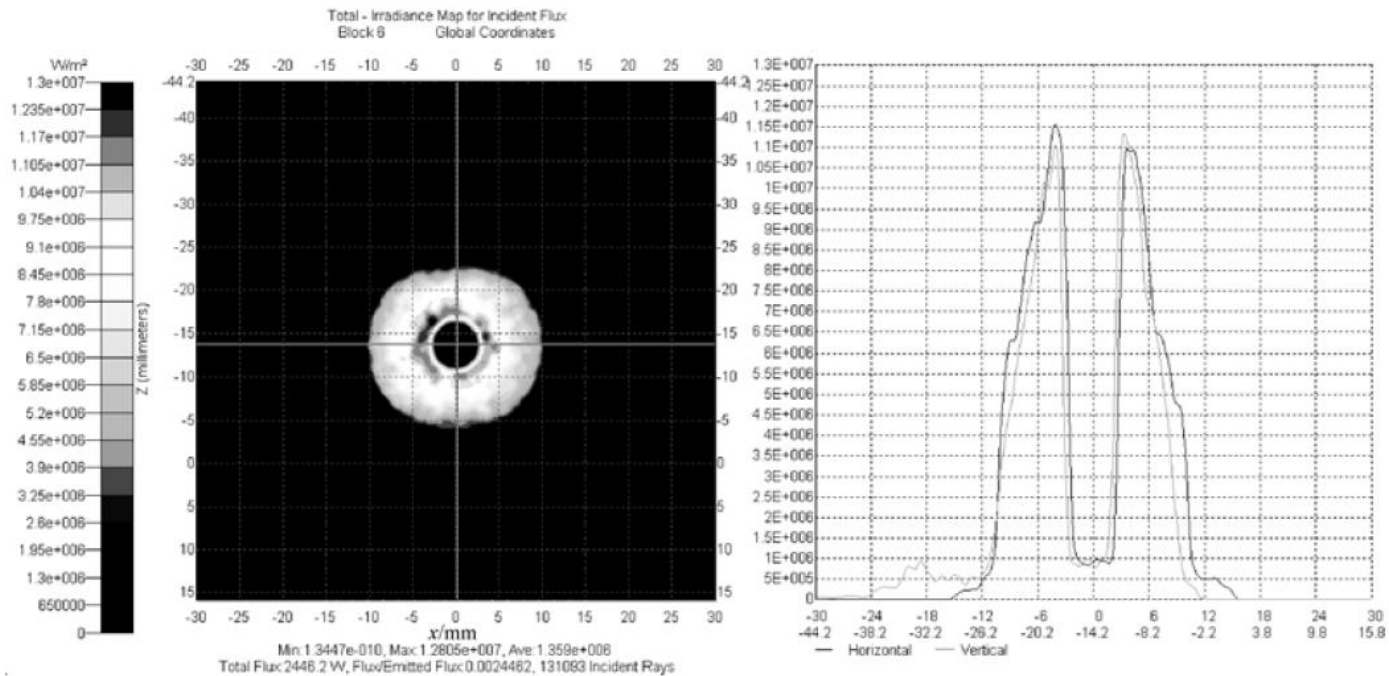
A reflection Lyman alpha coronagraph which diameter is 40 mm with focal length is 590 mm has been designed.



Comment	Radius /mm	Thickness /mm	Decenter /mm	Tilt/(°)
<Entrance pupil>	—	500	0	0
M ₁	900.00	-448.00	Y:-35.0	0
M ₂	-500.00	511.30	Y:-10.0	0
M ₃	-580.00	-552.56	Y:18.05	0
M ₄	Infinity	118.78	Y:2.50	X:45



Lyman-alpha coronagraph Simulation results



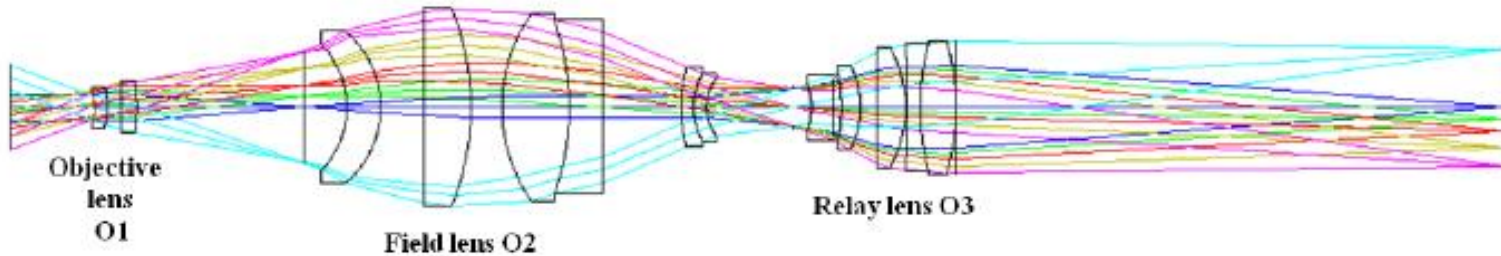
Incident angle of ray: 0 deg

Ray number: 200 million

Energy of each ray: 1 W

Image energy: 2446 W

White light coronagraph optical system design

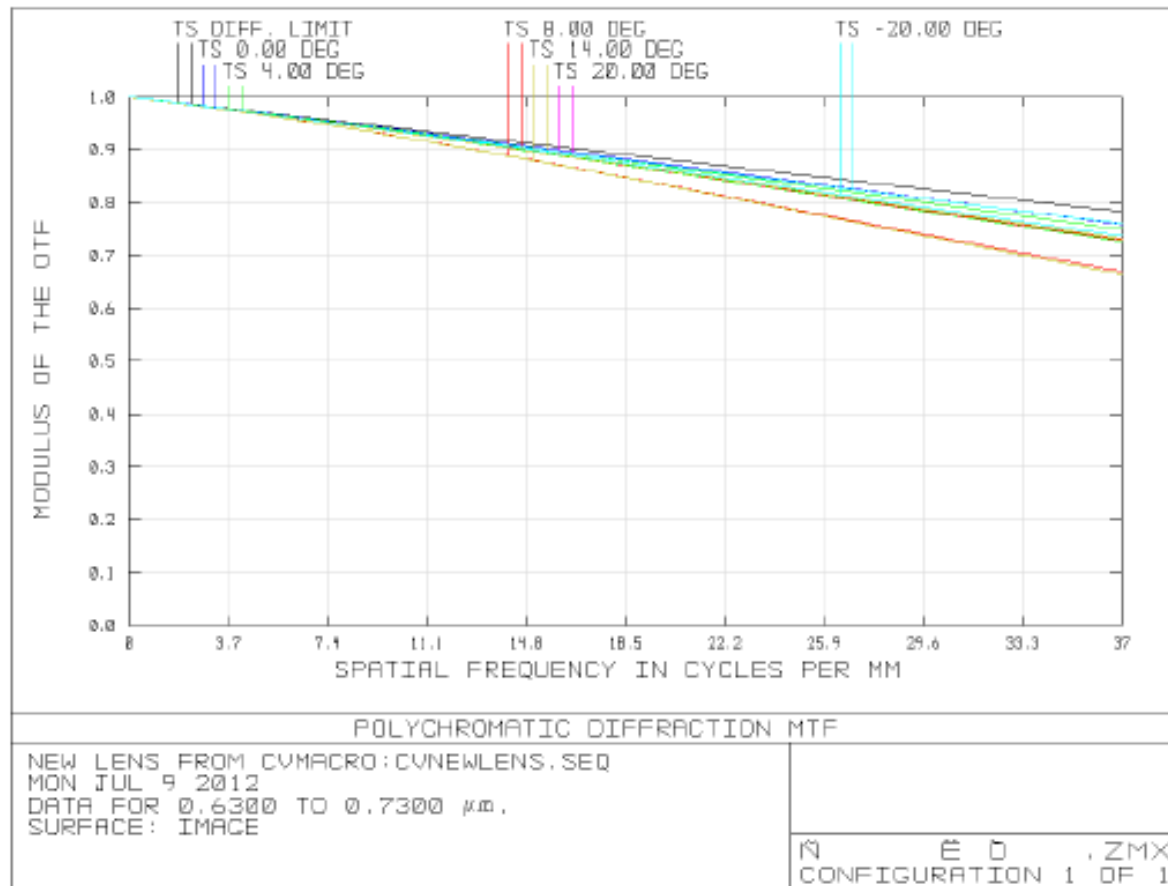


The white light coronagraph includes 13 lens.
 O1: Imaging the corona at the field stop
 O2: Establish collimation of the light
 O3: Imaging of the corona at the detector

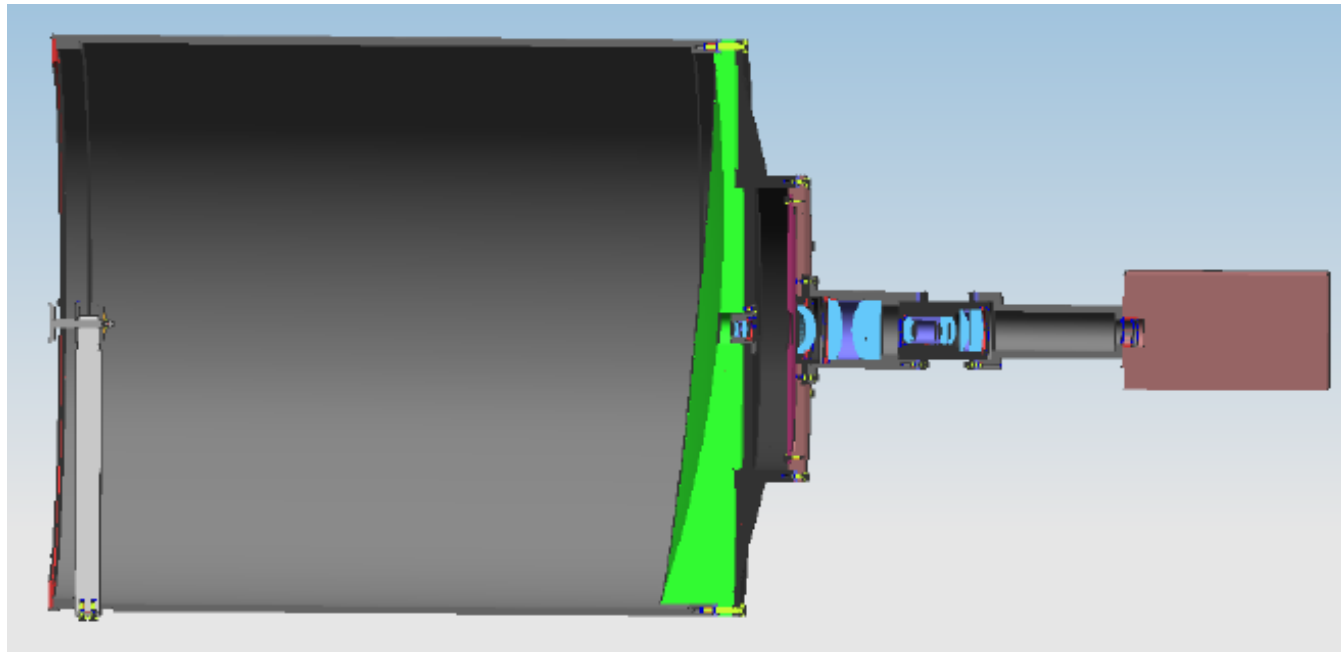
Field of view Sun centered	±20 deg
Pixel resolution	1.2 arcmin
Wavelength scope	630nm – 730 nm

Sun-Instrument distance	Field of view Sun centered
1 AU	72 R _☉
3 AU	215 R _☉

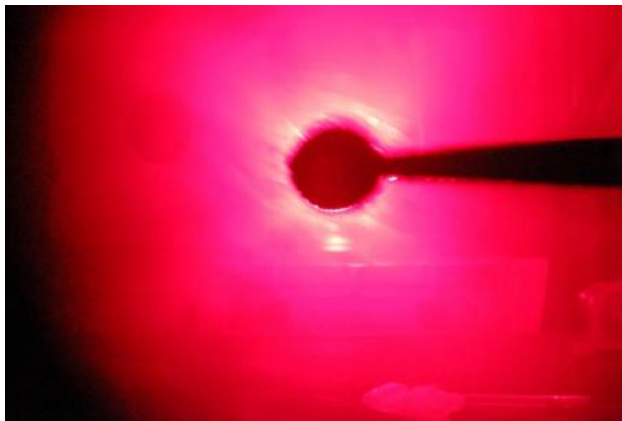
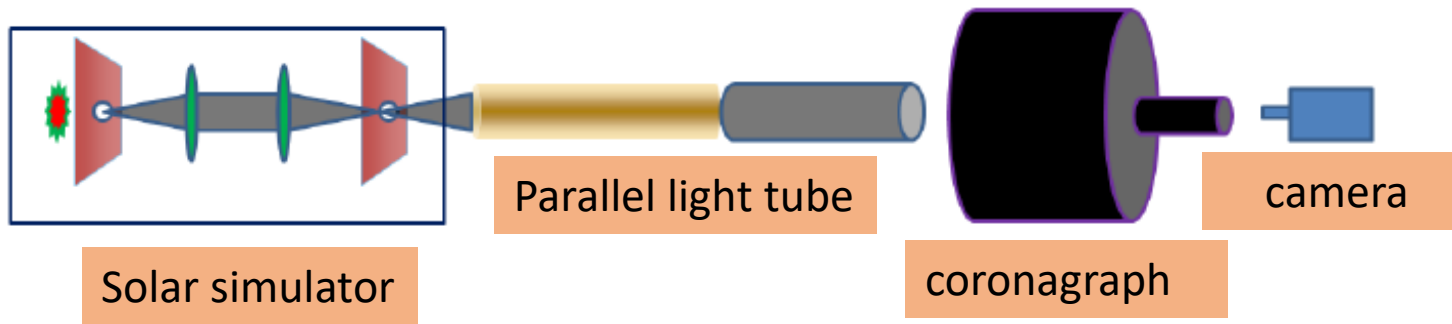
White light coronagraph transfer function



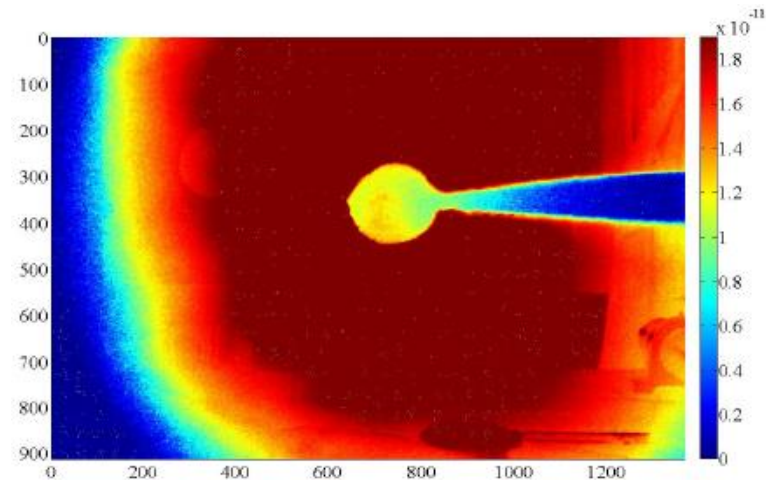
White light coronagraph Sensor assembly



White light coronagraph Experiment



image



Stray light

Summary

Prephase A work.

Strong needs from the science side or the application side seems still open.

How to tell a story of why it is necessary?

Who needs the data?

Why they needs the data?

Future: Observation of corona and solar irradiance at L1 or L5

Thank you.