AR heating - observational constraints

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AR core `hot' loops Fe VIII (bl) 2-Dec-2006 02:54:12.000 UT Fe XV 2-Dec-2006 02:54:12.000 UT -150-150 Hot loops -200 -200 -250-250 -300 -300 **Del Zanna** (2008) -350-350 -1000 100 200 300 -1000 100 200 300

- 1) Nearly isothermal around 3 MK (previous observations in EUV and X-rays)
- Hotter emission with EM at most about 3 orders of magnitude lower than EM (3 MK). Fe XVIII mostly formed around 3 MK but `microflaring' activity often present (see Parenti's talk but also Glesener's)
- 3) Future instruments for 3-15 MK plasma (MaGIXS, SPICE, soft X-rays, EUNIS: Daw's talk)
- 4) (Good density measurements EIS Young, Warren, Tripathi, Del Zanna...)
- 5) FIP bias about 3.2 Iron enhanced by at least 3 over photospheric.
- 6) Connected to sunspots and moss, mostly unipolar areas ? (cf. Chitta's talk)
- 7) In moss areas small redshifts (~5 km/s) Del Zanna, Brooks, Winebarger, Tripathi...
- 8) Evolution? Relation to cooler loops in the core?
- 9) Relation to pre-existing corona/warm loops? (EUI, COSIE:Golub's talk) 2

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Slope of EM at 1-3 MK in AR cores



Tripathi + (2011): 2.4 Winebarger+ (2011): 3.2 Schmelz & Pathak (2012): slopes between 1.9 and 5, increasing with age

Images of the EM slopes (1-3 MK)

Values ~ 5, steeper than previously published (high frequency heating?). With foreground subtraction, slopes steepen



Most reliable

First rotation

Second rotation. Similar!

Del Zanna, Tripathi, Mason +(2014, A&A, 573, A104) 4

Hot (>3 MK) emission - white paper (2016)





SMM quiescent AR cores

Re-analysed X-ray spectra of active region cores from SMM FCS. Used SMM BCS to select quiescent times (Del Zanna & Mason 2014, A&A). Note: `microflaring' activity is very common, it lasts about 10minutes.



EM slopes at T > 3 MK



- 1) All quiescent AR cores showed a near-isothermal distribution
- 2) EM slope: about -14 or steeper. FOXI-2 results: EM slope about -10 (Ishikawa et al. 2015). Nustar: at least -8. 3 orders of magnitude between the 2.5 and 7 MK
- 3) Fe XVIII is often formed at 3 MK ! (see also Del Zanna 2013).
- 4) FIP bias = π (Fe/O and Fe/Ne).

Fe XVIII and AIA 94 A

Some Fe XVIII is often present, but formed at 3 MK and not 7 MK ! (Del Zanna 2013). Confirmed by EIS/SUMER analysis of one AR (see Parenti's talk).

A small T variation increases the Fe XVIII (Del Zanna 2013). Confirmed by AIA/XRT analysis of several ARs (Del Zanna, Molnar+ in prep.)

30

(E) ²⁵

20

15

10

0

2.5

Relative increase in





MAGIXS – an X-ray spectrometer 6-24 A

Novel design: sounding rocket led by MSFC (USA), to observe at \sim 5" resolution and high cadence lines emitted in the 5-10 MK region. Summer 2018 !



X-ray hot lines can differentiate between high and low-frequency heating. Drawback: low geometrical area.

- Direct Te from Fe XVII, Fe XVIII - FIP bias in AR cores (O,Ne/Fe)

FHWM=0.05 A

AR core -



High Frequency

Many diagnostics/results in the X-rays

Each method has some limitations.

Example 1: Yohkoh BCS He-like S XV Te from G ratio: (x+y+z)/w (Gabriel & Jordan 1969)



From one AR at the limb:

a steady component with T=2-3 MK and a hotter, transient component in excess of 5 MK. This hotter component is due to microflares; outside the time of microflares there is relatively little or no active region upper coronal plasma with Te > 3.5 MK (Sterling +1997).

Example 2: CORONAS-F SPIRIT Mg XII (see A. Reva's presentation)



SUMER QS spectrum 972.5-1050 (Curdt et al 2001)



One of the Solar Orbiter SPICE channels.

Fe XVIII will be observed regularly with SPICE. However, will likely be the only high-T line \rightarrow limited info



OSO-5 (Kastner+1974)

The Soft X-rays have the best diagnostics of high-T plasma around 7-12 MK.

Also: allow measurements of densities! (Mason+1986, Del Zanna & Woods 2013)

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Soft X-rays (SXR)

Modified the Solar C LEMUR concept by adding an extra SXR channel



- Good diagnostics: direct measurements of Ne, Te, non-thermal electrons
- Technology used before (cf. AIA multilayers)
- Can easily provide stigmatic images at 1" or better (cf. AIA)
- High throughput



Quiescent AR core CHIANTI v.8 - quiet AR core - quiet AR core CHIANTI v.8 EM (10 MK) 2.5 orders of magnitude Fe XVIII 974.9 60 60 Ne= 10⁹ cm⁻³ lower than EM (2.8 MK) 1153.2 50 50 ասհատհատհասև 40 s/vc ռուսուսուսու S XVIII 103.9 NG 30 98.2 30 1118.1 108.4 XXI 128.8 132.8 2 20 20 ××× ×× × 10 10 e e Φ 0 0 130 140 150 1100 1200 90 100 110 120 700 800 900 1000 Wavelength [Å] Wavelength [Å]

Fe XVIII 974 A: 11 (erg units): 3.7 DN/s in SUMER (at the limit) Fe XVIII 94 A: 4.6 DN/s (AIA pixel) vs. 30 in SXR Fe XVIII 14.2 A: 0.6 (phot units): > 10 times weaker than signal in SMM/FCS \rightarrow 0.07 DN/s MaGIXS

Fe XIX 1118, 108 A: about 4 DN/s in UV/SXR Fe XIX 592 A: 0.1 (erg), similar to SUMER results (Parenti's talk, 0.4). Observable by EUNIS-13?

Brosius+2014: Fe XIX contours at 4 (blue), 8,16, 32 (yellow) (erg units)

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FIP bias in AR cores

FIP bias of π! (Fe/S and Fe/Ar in EUV and Fe/O, Fe/Ne in X-rays) Ferrow the enhanced by at least a feature of

2) Fe must be enhanced by at least a factor of 3 over photospheric (Del Zanna 2013).

El.	FIP (eV)	AR core	"Photospheric" Asplund+(2009)	FIP bias	
Fe/Ne	7.9/21.5	1.2	*0.37*	3.2	SMM/FCS
Fe/Ar	7.9/15.8	50	*12.6*	4	Hinode/EIS
Fe/O	7.9/13.6	0.2	0.065	3.1	SMM/FCS
Fe/S	7.9/10.4	6.8	2.4	2.8	Hinode/EIS
Fe/Si	7.9/8.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	Hinode/EIS
Fe/Ni	7.9/7.6	29.5	19.1	1.5	Hinode/EIS
Fe/Ca	7.9/6.1	13.5	14.5	0.93	Hinode/EIS



Why bother?

The abundances are tracers into solar wind and are related to physical processes (cf Laming model: the ponderomotive force of Alfven waves in closed loops)



FIP bias from EIS

Various papers used Si X and S X (1-2 MK): Brooks + 2011,2012, 2015 Baker+2013, 2015

Some differences with other measurements of 1-2 MK (e.g. Del Zanna 2012) FIP bias=2--3 quiet Sun: FIP bias about 1.





Coronal outflows: measurements are difficult, for the low signal.

In this case: FIP bias=3.2 from S XIII

sometimes the FIP bias =1

(Del Zanna, unpublished)

Coronal Outflows

- 1) Located in the middle of sunspots and plage
- 2) Have a large spatial expansion (De Zanna 2007,2008).
- 3) Outflows and warm loops are not co-spatial

(Del Zanna 2007,2008)

See also Doschek, Harra, Baker, Demoulin, Culhane, Warren, Brooks, Ugarte-Urra, etc..)



Fe VIII (bl) 2—Dec—2006 02:54:12

TRACE 171 Å 2-Dec-2006 05:33 UT

Abundances and the solar wind



Important for Solar Orbiter

Open field regions near ARs (e.g. Liewer et al. 2004).





ACE: high Fe/O ratios at low wind speeds near active regions (Wang, Ko, Grappin 2009).

We developed a physical model to explain coronal outflows. Field lines open into the heliosphere (Del Zanna + 2011;Bradshaw, Aulanier, Del Zanna 2011), hence Fe/O FIP bias should be between 1 and 3.2 (as observed ?).

Thank you

