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Solar/Stellar magnetic field and dynamo

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Major problems in solar physics



Japanese projects in solar physics Provided by JSPC(太陽研究者連絡会)

		Chromosphere/coronal heating and solar wind	Solar flare and CM	IE Solar cycle and dynamo
Solar-C EUVST	space	0	0	
PhoENiX	space		0	Orange: Future plan
<u>Hinode</u>	space	0	0	orange. r atare plan
SUNRISE	balloon	0		
<u>CLASP</u>	sounding rocket	0		
FOXSI	sounding rocket		0	
ALMA	ground-based	0	0	
Nobeyama Radio	ground-based			0
Mitaka Flare	ground-based	0	0	0
Hida DST	ground-based	0	0	
Hida SMART	ground-based		0	0
Nagoya IPS	ground-based	0	0	0
Yamagawa Radio	ground-based		0	
ngGONG	ground-based		0	0
NIRTF	ground-based	0	0	
SciCRT	ground-based		0	
AMATERAS	ground-based		0	
Simulations		0	0	0

Hinode/SOT (Solar Optical Telescope)

Measurement of B in the photosphere

Ubiquitous granular-scale loops (hG)



Ishikawa+2008, Lites+2008

kG patches viewed from pole



Tsuneta+08, Shiota+12 Formation of superequipartition (kG) field



Nagata+08

B shear (flare trigger)



Bamba+13

Hinode/SOT (Solar Optical Telescope)

Oynamic activities in the <u>chromosphere</u>

Ubiquitous jets





CLASP rocket experiment Chromospheric LAyer Spectro-Polarimeter



Hinode/EIS (EUV Imaging Spectrometer)



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Launch 2027 JAXA Epsilon M-class mission EUV High-throughput Spectroscopic Telescope

Science objectives:

- 1. Chromospheric and coronal heating, Solar wind
- 2. Mechanism for solar flares, i.e., energy release and eruption.

Key features:

A) Wide T-coverage (10⁴-10⁷ K)

Observe the whole regimes of the solar atmosphere as a single coupled system

B) <u>High resolution</u>

(spatial ~ 0.4", temporal ~ 1 sec) Capture the dynamic evolutions of elementary structures

C) <u>Spectroscopy</u>

Determine the physical states of the targets (v, ρ , T, composition, ionization)





Hinode/XRT (X-Ray Telescope)

Solar Observations in X-rays can evaluate

- Physical quantities of <u>hot thermal plasma</u> (~ 1 MK to > 10 MK) from soft X-ray observations, e.g., Hinode/XRT
- Physical quantities of <u>non-thermal (accelerated) electrons</u> hard X-ray observations e.g., RHESSI

caused by magnetic reconnection.



PhoENiX Physics Of Energetic and Non-thermal plasmas in the X-region

PhoENiX in 2030s -

Imaging spectroscopy in soft and hard X-rays
High dynamic range to evaluate entire flaring region
High spatial, temporal, and energy resolutions
For the understandings of energetics in solar flares including particle acceleration.



PhoENiX WG

Demonstrations with Sounding Rocket FOXSI series



Nagoya-U IPS (InterPlanetary Scintillation)



IPS: Radio scattering by the solar wind





Solar wind observation for more than 30 years Global structure of the solar wind and its solar cycle variation Fujiki+2015, Tokumaru+2018

Detection of the CMEs and

their real-time analysis system are also used for space weather forecasting. Iwai+2019, 2021

New IPS observation

system (MP2023 submitted)

- > x10 IPS observations.
- Resolve the global spatial scale of the solar wind

Japanese projects for solar cycle, dynamo and interior

			Chromosphere/coronal heating and solar wind	Solar flare and CME	Solar cycle and dynamo	
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PhoENiX		space		0		
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<u>CLASP</u>	solar	source and sola	r interior	Observe long	g term evolution	
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AMATERAS		ground-basedapan	has been doing	g world leading		
Simulations		large-s	scale project.	0	0	

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Solar cycle





Galileo's sunspot drawing The Galileo Project

Number of sunspots varies with the 11-year cycle. This is confirmed with several hundred years of observations.

Physical mechanism to maintain the cycle has not been understood yet.

One of the most important problems in the solar physics.

Features in solar cycle: Butterfly diagram



The solar cycle is not a simple oscillation in the 11-year cycle. There are several interesting features:

- ✓ The sunspot latitude (active latitude) migrates from mid-latitudes to low latitudes during each cycle.
- ✓ The solar global field has a dipolar field. The polarity of the dipole reverses in every cycle.

Features in solar cycle: Hale's law



SDO/HMI, 2012 (cycle 24)



More than 90% of sunspot pairs obey coherent polarity rule

- ✓ In a cycle, proceeding spots in a hemisphere always has one polarity.
- \checkmark The polarity in the other hemisphere is opposite.
- \checkmark The relation is reversed in every 11-year cycle.

Features in solar cycle: Hale's law



Hale's law indicates large-scale magnetic fields in the solar interior.

Magnetic field evolution (1/2)

We need to explain the reasons why:

- \checkmark the sunspot number varies in 11 years.
- \checkmark the large-scale magnetic field is constructed in the solar interior

<u>Faraday's law in</u> <u>high conductivity limit</u>

 $\partial \mathbf{R}$

Magnetic induction equation

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = -c\nabla \times \mathbf{E}$$
$$\mathbf{E} = -\frac{1}{c}\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}$$
$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$$

We want to know "large" scale magnetic field and we divide the field and flow to large $\langle \rangle$ and small scale ' as $B = \langle B \rangle + B'$ and $v = \langle v \rangle + v'$. Then the induction equation for large-scale fields becomes

$$\frac{\partial \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\langle \boldsymbol{v} \rangle \times \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle) + \nabla \times \langle \boldsymbol{v}' \times \boldsymbol{B}' \rangle$$

Magnetic field evolution (2/2)

$$\frac{\partial \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\langle \boldsymbol{v} \rangle \times \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle) + \nabla \times \langle \boldsymbol{v}' \times \boldsymbol{B}' \rangle$$

Effect by large-scale flow Effect by small-scale flow



We need to understand at least:

- ✓ Large-scale flow $\langle v \rangle$
- ✓ Correlation between flow and magnetic field $\langle v' \times B' \rangle$

in the convection zone.

In the outer 30% of the solar interior, the convection transports the energy generated by nuclear fusion in the center of the sun.

This is turbulent.

Technique to evaluate the internal flow: Helioseismology (1/2)



Solar oscillation observed with SOHO/MDI



Spherical harmonic degree ℓ

Acoustic wave in the solar convection zone constructs eigenmode.

Eigenmode must reflect solar internal structure (temperature, rotation, and flow).

Inversion of eigenmode observation leads to understandings of the solar interior.

Model – Seismology

Technique to evaluate the internal flow: Helioseismology (2/2)

Local helioseismology:

In travel time method, travel time in two points is evaluated.

- > Mean travel time \rightarrow Temperature or **B**
- $\succ \text{ <u>Travel time difference} \rightarrow Flow</u>$



evaluate the travel time
multiple layers and carry
t inversion to obtain
ysical quantities.

we want to evaluate the lantities in the deep layer,
need to observe two lints apart long enough
a long duration. G-band intensity



Travel time difference



Large-scale flow: Differential rotation

$$\frac{\partial \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\langle \boldsymbol{v} \rangle \times \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle) + \nabla \times \langle \boldsymbol{v}' \times \boldsymbol{B}' \rangle$$

stretching
$$\longrightarrow \nabla \times (\langle \boldsymbol{v} \rangle \times \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle) = (\langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle \cdot \nabla) \langle \boldsymbol{v} \rangle - \nabla \cdot (\langle \boldsymbol{v} \rangle \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle)$$





The details of the differential rotation have been revealed by helioseismology. Error in pole and radiation zone is large, but the distribution in most of the convection zone has reached a consensus. (see solar orbiter mission)

Data provided by R. Howe

Large-scale flow: Meridional flow

$$\frac{\partial \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle}{\partial t} = \underbrace{\nabla \times (\langle \boldsymbol{v} \rangle \times \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle)}_{\text{flux transport}} + \nabla \times \langle \boldsymbol{v}' \times \boldsymbol{B}' \rangle_{\text{flux transport}}$$
$$\nabla \times (\langle \boldsymbol{v} \rangle \times \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle) = (\langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle \cdot \nabla) \langle \boldsymbol{v} \rangle - \nabla \cdot (\langle \boldsymbol{v} \rangle \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle)$$



Different observations show different results

(Zhao+2013, Rajaguru+2015, Jackiewics+2015, Rajaguru+2015, Chen+2017, Gizon+2020)

 0° The flow at the base of CZ is expected to be several m/s and it is $15^{\circ}s$ difficult to detect it in 200 km/s sound speed.

> Currently we cannot distinguish even poleward and equatorward flow at the base of the convection zone.

Current status of meridional flow





- Local helioseismology is applied to the simulation data
- ✓ Travel time difference is evaluated for single and multiple cell flow.
- ✓ It is concluded that Gizon+2020 does not have the precision to determine the flow direction at the base of CZ.
- \rightarrow Longer observation + α is needed.

Importance of meridional flow

- 1. Meridional flow determines cycle length (11-year) in <u>flux transport</u> <u>dynamo</u>.
- 2. Information on <u>turbulence (convection)</u> in the solar convection zone.

Cycle length: $T = 56.8v_0^{-0.89}s_0^{-0.13}\eta_T^{0.22}$, v_0 : meridional flow velocity, s_0 : α -effect, η_T : turbulent diffusivity (Dikpati & Charbonneau, 1999)



Ex. of flux transport dynamo

$$\underbrace{\left(\rho_{0}\langle \boldsymbol{v}_{\mathrm{m}}\rangle\cdot\nabla\right)\langle\mathcal{L}\rangle}_{(\rho_{0}\lambda\langle\boldsymbol{v}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\prime}\boldsymbol{v}_{\phi}^{\prime}\rangle)}=\underbrace{-\nabla\cdot\left(\rho_{0}\lambda\langle\boldsymbol{v}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\prime}\boldsymbol{v}_{\phi}^{\prime}\rangle\right)}_{(\rho_{0}\lambda\langle\boldsymbol{v}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\prime}\boldsymbol{v}_{\phi}^{\prime}\rangle)}$$

transport by meridional flow

transport by turbulence

Angular momentum transport by the turbulence and the meridional flow should be balanced.

The distribution of the meridional flow directly reflects the turbulent status.

Small-scale flow: Turbulence Mean field theory

$$\frac{\partial \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\langle \boldsymbol{v} \rangle \times \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle) + \nabla \times \langle \boldsymbol{v}' \times \boldsymbol{B}' \rangle$$

It is difficult (almost impossible) to observe small-scale flow and *B* simultaneously in the deep convection zone. We use theories to evaluate it. Mean-field theory suggests the electromotive force is written as (see Krause & Rädler, 1980 textbook)

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ight> \end{aligned}$$



Helical flow leads to construction of large-scale B. Cause of helical flow is rotation (Coriolis force). Relation between rotation and convection flow determines the helicity. \rightarrow We need to at least determine convection velocity

Importance of turbulent flow



In $\alpha\Omega$ dynamo, the cycle period (11 years) is determined by the value of β (turbulent diffusivity).

<u>The turbulence directly determines the cycle period.</u> $T \sim \left(\frac{\alpha}{2L} \frac{dv_{\phi}}{dL}\right)^{-1/2} \sim L^2 / \beta \text{ (Parker, 1955)}$

Charbonneau, 2005

In addition, turbulence is also important for the construction of the largescale flow (differential rotation and meridional flow) due to angular momentum transport.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\rho_0 \langle \mathcal{L} \rangle \right) = -\nabla \cdot \langle \rho_0 \boldsymbol{v}_{\mathrm{m}} \mathcal{L} \rangle
= -\nabla \cdot \left(\rho_0 \langle \boldsymbol{v}_{\mathrm{m}} \rangle \langle \mathcal{L} \rangle \right) - \nabla \cdot \left(\rho_0 \lambda \langle \boldsymbol{v}_{\mathrm{m}}' \boldsymbol{v}_{\phi}' \rangle \right)
= \underbrace{-\left(\rho_0 \langle \boldsymbol{v}_{\mathrm{m}} \rangle \cdot \nabla \right) \langle \mathcal{L} \rangle}_{\text{transport by meridional flow transport by turbulence}} \underbrace{-\nabla \cdot \left(\rho_0 \lambda \langle \boldsymbol{v}_{\mathrm{m}}' \boldsymbol{v}_{\phi}' \rangle \right)}_{\text{transport by turbulence}}$$

Small-scale flow: Turbulence Mixing length theory (MLT) and simulation

$$L_{\odot} = 3.84 \times 10^{33} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$

Radiation energy flux

Convection zone

calculation domain



 $L_{\rm MLT} = \alpha_{\rm MLT} H_p$

Evaluate typical temperature perturbation

 $\frac{L_{\odot}}{4\pi r^2} = \left\langle \rho c_p \Delta T v_r \right\rangle \sim \left\langle \rho v_r^3 \right\rangle$

Comparison with numerical simulation



Radiation energy flux (well known value)

MLT and simulations are consistent

Current problems: Convective conundrum



Travel time measurement by helioseismology possibly is able to evaluate the convective amplitude. Hanasoge+2012 suggest that the numerical simulations overestimate it order of magnitude larger.

The observation is still controversial, but since then there have been a lot of doubts on the convective amplitude in theory and numerical simulations \rightarrow <u>Convective conundrum</u>

Convective conundrum: Supergranulation



There are typical two convection scales

Supergranulation



SOHO/MDI

Hinode/SOT

Granulation

Numerical simulations cannot reproduce supergranulation peak. A larger calculation shows the peak in the largest scale determined by calculation box size.

Convective conundrum: Differential rotation

We cannot reproduce the solar differential rotation with solar parameters



In the numerical simulation, the convection automatically transports angular momentum and construct the differential rotation. Recent highresolution simulation falls into "anti-solar" differential rotation. Convective amplitude in the simulations is too large. (see O'Mara+2016)

Summary of convective conundrum

The solar convective conundrum is summarized as:

- ✓ <u>Huge discrepancy between observation and simulations</u>
 - Observations is controversial
 - Simulations are consistent with each other (consistently wrong?)
- ✓ <u>Supergranulation cannot be reproduced with simulations</u>
- ✓ Solar-like differential rotation is not reproduced.

✓ Recently solved with super high resolution simulation in Fugaku.
 Our understanding of the thermal convection with a high Reynolds number is highly premature.



Summary of solar observation

$$\frac{\partial \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\langle \boldsymbol{v} \rangle \times \langle \boldsymbol{B} \rangle) + \nabla \times \langle \boldsymbol{v}' \times \boldsymbol{B}' \rangle$$

Effect by large-scale flow Effect by small-scale flow

- ✓ Large scale flow $\langle v \rangle$ part:
 - Differential rotation has reached a consensus
 - > Meridional flow in the deep layer is highly controversial
- ✓ Small scale flow v' part:
 - Observation is controversial
 - Theory and simulation may be wrong.

We have finally reached a status "I know that I know nothing (無知の知)".

We have defined the problem. The next 10-20 years must be exciting for the solar interior study, but no Japanese mission challenges the problem...

Future perspective of solar interior research



Solar-C Plan-A WG

Solar-C Plan-A was planed 10 years ago.

Solar-C planned to be out-of-ecliptic orbit to observe the solar polar region. This type of mission is needed to understand the solar interior.

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Solar-C Plan-A
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Plan-B \rightarrow (part of Plan-B) \rightarrow Solar-C EUVST
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Perspective to contribute the solar interior research from Japan

- 1. Observation from multiple points is necessary
 - Acoustic wave ray pass the deep layer.
 - Long stable observation is required.
 - > Out-of-ecliptic orbit or L5 point is preferable
- 2. "Reliable" numerical simulation is needed.
 - Strong point of Japan
 - Useful for inversion
 - Definition of reliable: solar cycle, large-scale flow, travel time are consistent with observations.

Future perspective of solar interior research

We should observe:

- ✓ <u>Convection (turbulence)</u>
 - Angular momentum transport: Differential rotation and meridional flow
 - > **B** generation: Though the turbulent α and β -effect
 - > The cycle period is determined by turbulence itself in the $\alpha\Omega$ dynamo.
 - Convective amplitude in scales is important and then we can use theoretical approaches.

✓ <u>Meridional flow</u>

- The cycle period is determined by the meridional flow in the flux transport dynamo (Dikpati & Charbonneau, 1999)
- ➢ Meridional flow directly reflects the turbulent angular momentum transport → Important information on turbulence.
- At least direction at the base of the convection zone should be determined.

Stellar magnetic field cycle



Rotation, convection, magnetic field in stars



Differential rotation (DR) in stars



We begin to evaluate the differential rotation $\Delta\Omega$ for stars with different Rossby number (Rotation/Convection).

This must be explained to understand the stellar magnetic activity.

Rotation evolution depend on magnetic field



Stars lose mass and angular momentum during their life and becomes slow down.

Age-rotation relation is used for evaluate the stellar age (gyrochronology).

Recent observation indicates that some older stars have rapid rotation rate than expected (van Saders+2016, Metcalf+2017).

The configuration of the magnetic field in these stars have changed significantly and stop losing further angular momentum.

The dynamo is also the key to understand it.

Summary

- The current and planed solar project in Japan
 - There are a lot of projects to investigate:
 - **D** Phospheric dynamics
 - □ Chromospheric/Coronal heatings
 - Magnetic reconnection
 - □ Solar wind/Coronal Mass Ejection
 - The central issue is the magnetic field
- ✓ Solar interior research
 - Unfortunately, Japan has no mission for this topic except for the numerical simulation
 - Differential rotation has reached a consensus
 - Meridional flow and convective amplitude have big uncertainty.
 - Japan should join observational project with multiple point helioseismology with taking advantage of the leading position of the numerical simulation project.

✓ Connection stellar research

- Stars have cyclic activity variation
- Convection-rotation relation (Rossby number) is important to understand the stellar activity and the differential rotation
- Rotation evolution is significantly constrained by the magnetic field (dynamo)
- Stelar activity is also important for habitability in exoplanet.