



# LSO/KSO H<sub>a</sub> prominence catalogue: status report - 2022/11/09

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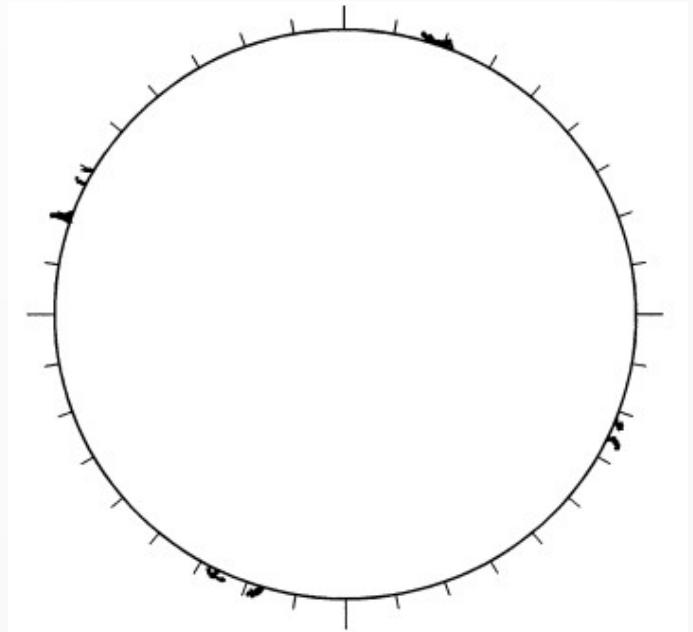
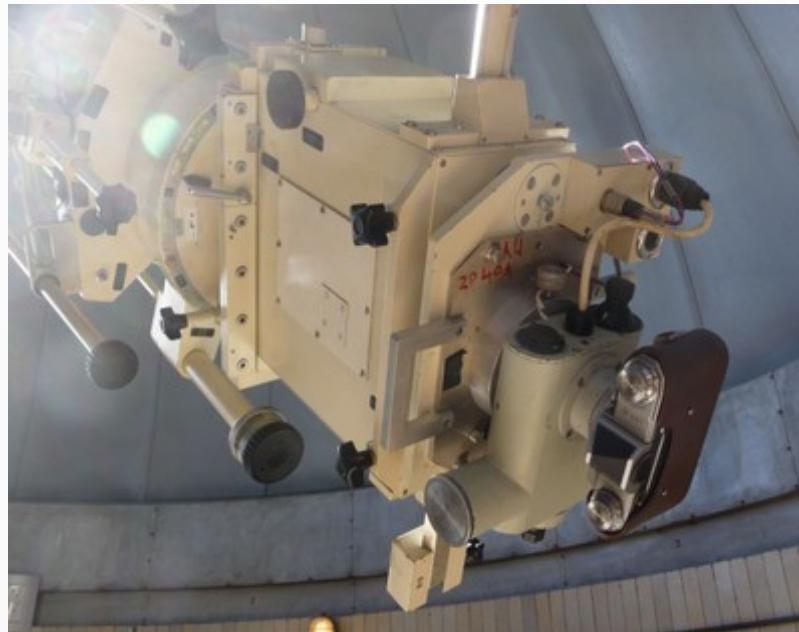
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# Notes

- My third lecture in this year:
  - 23/02/2022, J. Rybák a LSO skupina: 'Lomnický Stit Observatory: last two years - 2020-2021'
  - 27/04/2022, J. Rybák, 'The Lomnický Stit Observatory: CMOS detectors for solar observations'
  - 09/11/2022, J. Rybák, V. Rušin, P. Gömöry, M. Morris, W. Pötzi, D. Baumgartner, H. Freislich, H. Strutzmann, A. Veronig, LSO/KSO  $\text{H}\alpha$  prominence catalogue: status report – 2022/11/09
- A part of the presentation: old stuff presented more than 10 years ago at the AISAS colloquium – for young colleagues (only briefly)

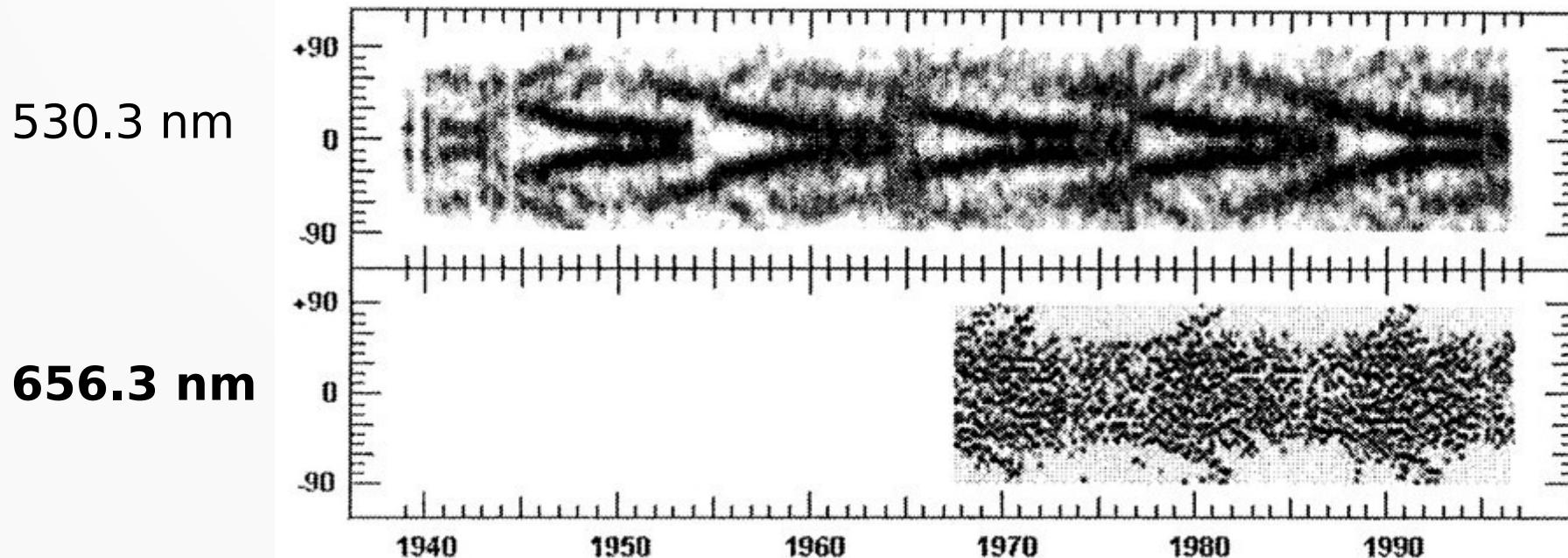
# LSO H $\alpha$ prominence project

- 1967-2009 - daily measurements, PI: V. Rušin
- coronagraph ZEISS 200/3000/4000, interference filter  $\sim 0.6$  nm, film 24x26 mm, several exposures along the limb, development with a high contrast, projection for drawing of shapes of prominences, measurement of parameters
- parameters: position angle, limb, latitude, longitude, area, height, subjective brightness (1,2,3)
- 05/1967 - 08/2009:  
41795 data records



# LSO H $\alpha$ prominence project

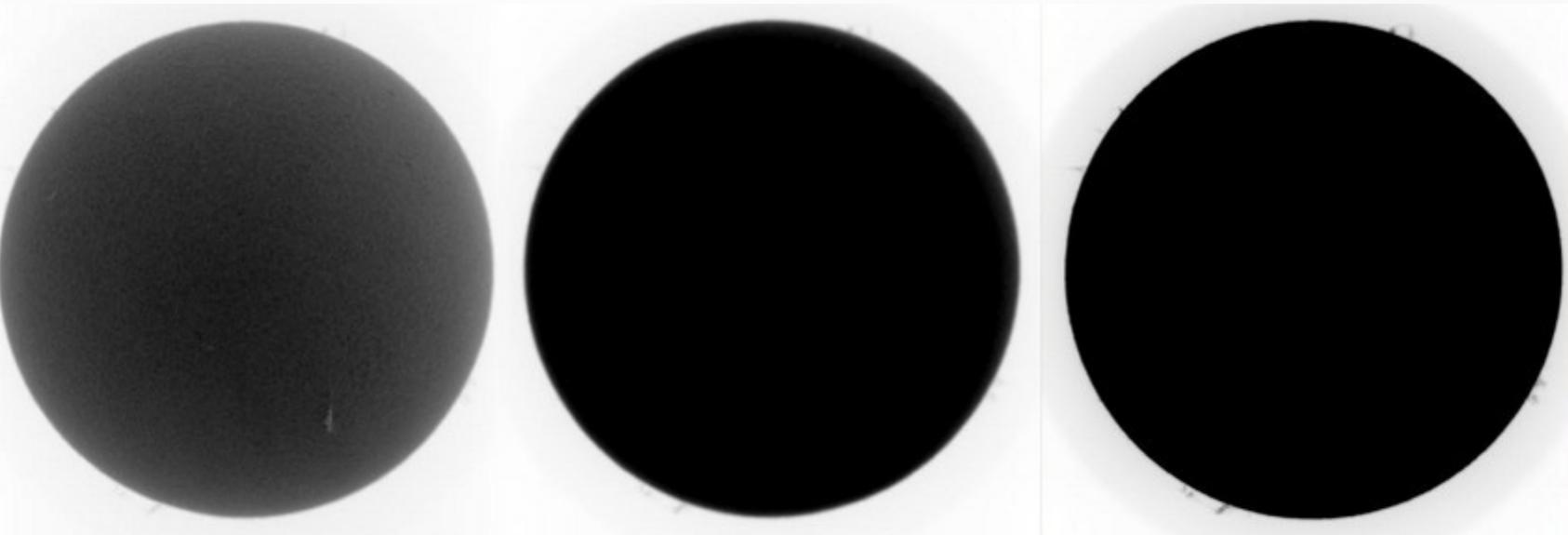
- Main articles:
  - “Catalogue of solar prominences (1967 – 1986)”, Rušin, V.; Rybanský, M.; Dermendjiev, V.; Stavrev, K. Ya., CAOSP, Vol. 17, **p. 63 – 292**, 1988 (paper)
  - “Catalogue of solar prominences 1987 – 1993”, Rusin, V.; Rybansky, M.; Dermendjiev, V.; Stavrev, K. Ya., CAOSP Supplement, vol. 24, **p. 135-136**, 1994 (data upon request on “author’s PC diskettes”)



Minarovjech, M, Rybanský, M, Rušin, V, 1998, Solar Physics 177: 357-364

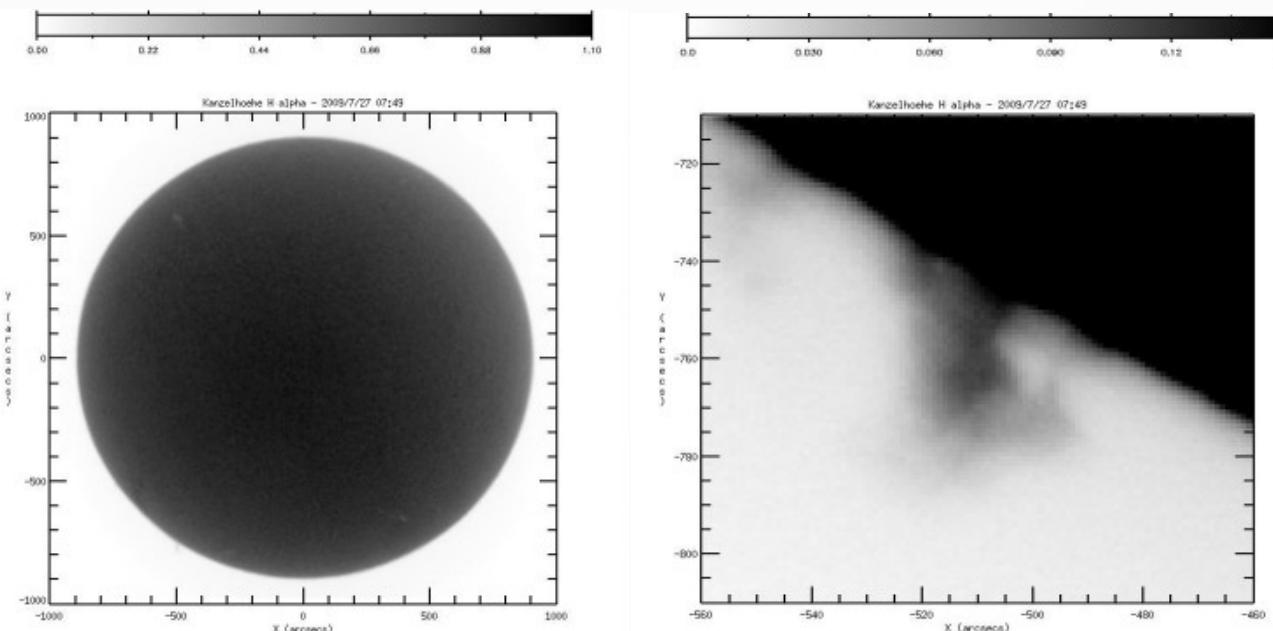
# KSO H $\alpha$ prominence project

- Observatory Kaznelhőhe for solar and environmental research (Austria)
- refractor 100/2000, Lyot filter Zeiss 656.3 nm, FWHM 0.07 nm
- camera Pulnix TM4200GE, 12bit, 2kx2k, 1.02"/px, 3 exposures: 5, 20, 50 ms
- 09/2009 - 12/2021: 27304 prominences



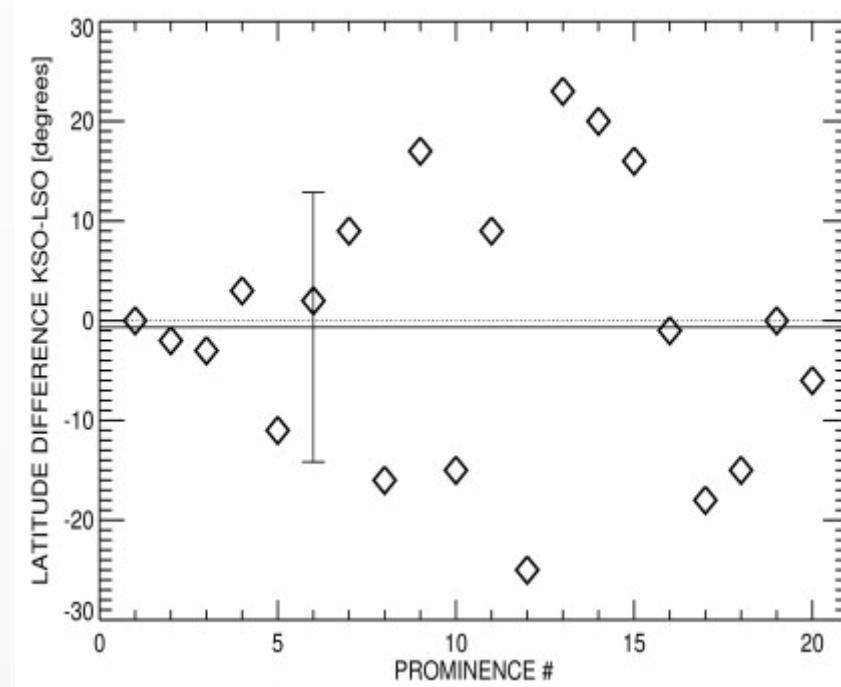
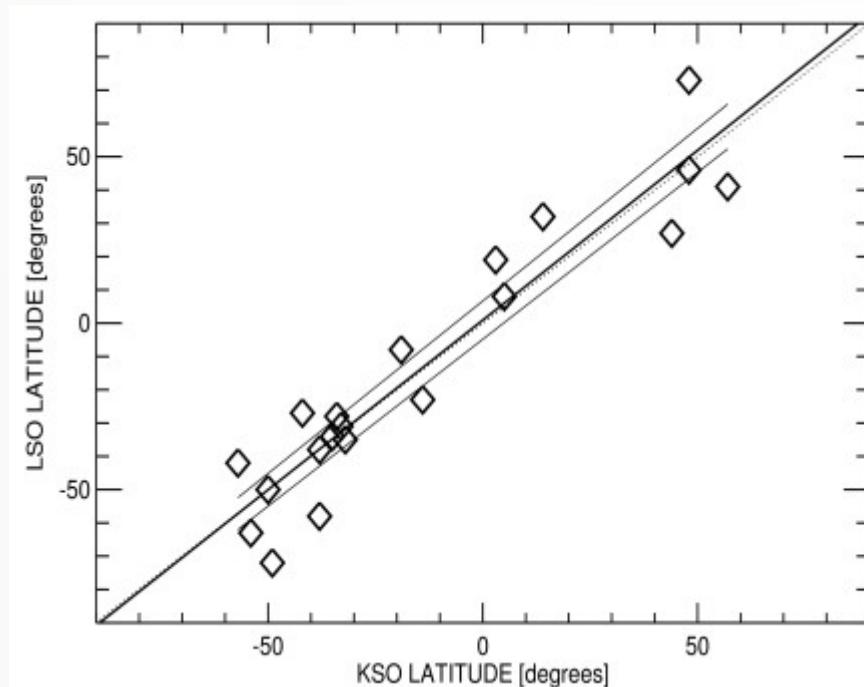
# KSO H $\alpha$ prominence project

- A careful **manual** 2-step checking of the available KSO data - daily single full set of 3 images -  $t_{\text{exp}}=5, 20, 50$  ms: completeness of the set, clouds effects
- The **automatic** data reduction and determination of the prominence parameters: merging of images, subtracting of the scattered light, calibration to absolute energetic units, identification of the individual prominences
- The prominence parameters: area, maximum & mean & total brightness, position angle, width → heliographic latitude and longitude, height, area



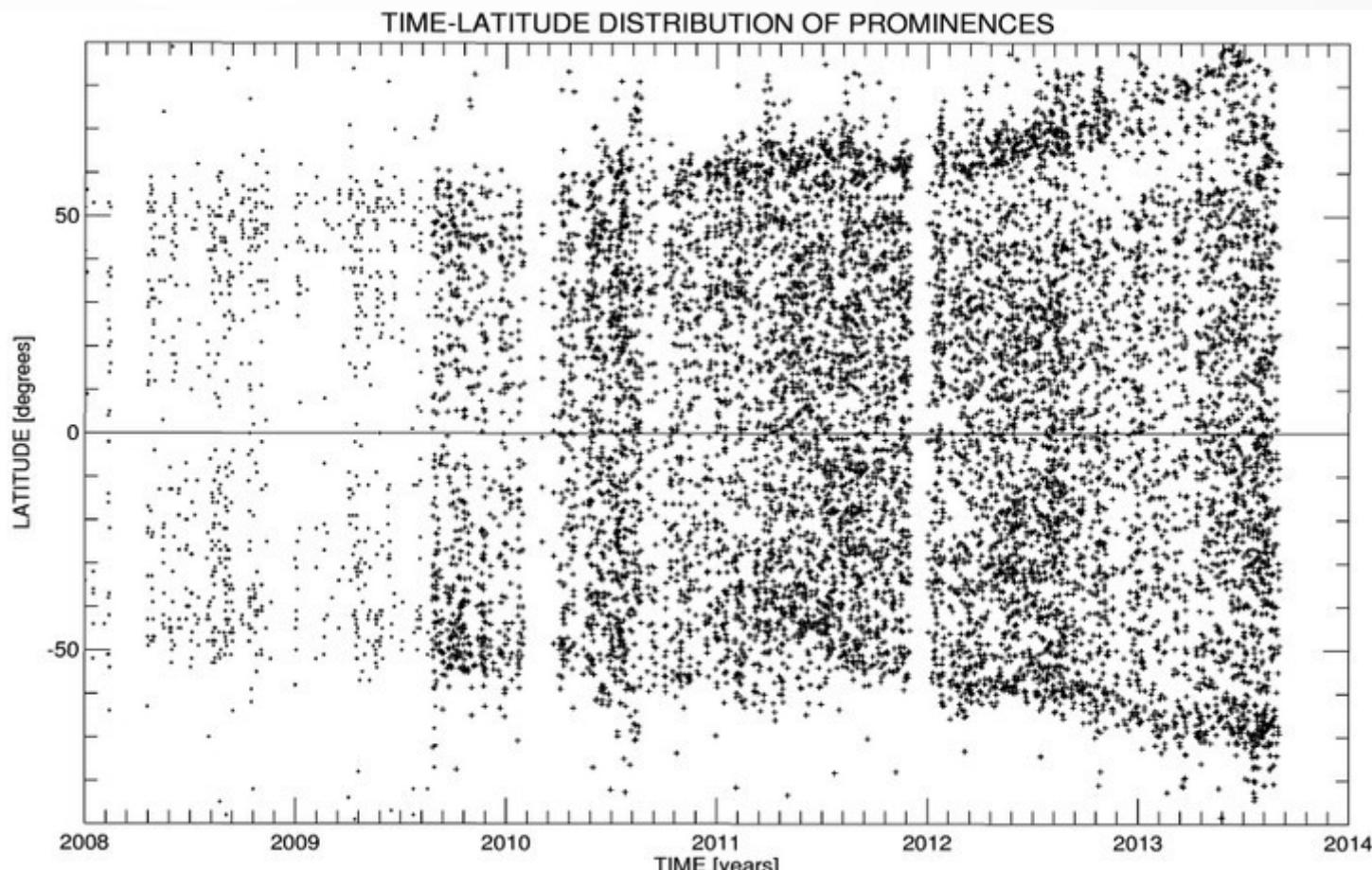
# KSO H $\alpha$ prominence project

- Intercalibration of the LSO ~ KSO prominence parameters:
  - Rybák, J. ; Gömöry, P. ; Mačura, R. et al., “The LSO/KSO H $\alpha$  prominence catalogue: cross-calibration of data”, 2011, CAOSP, 41,133-136
  - crosscalibration: the heliographic latitude results – shift 0.65+/-13.5 degrees



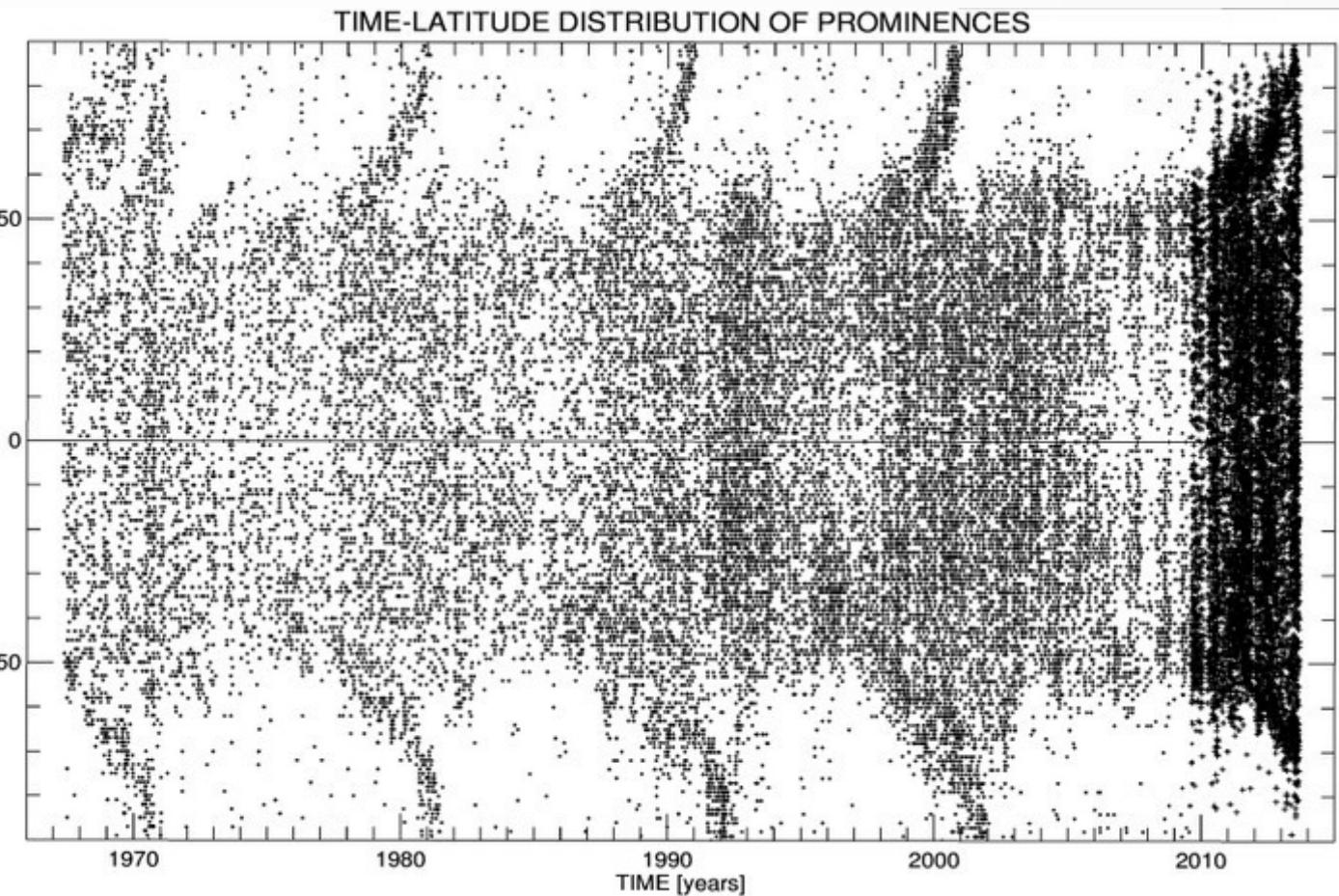
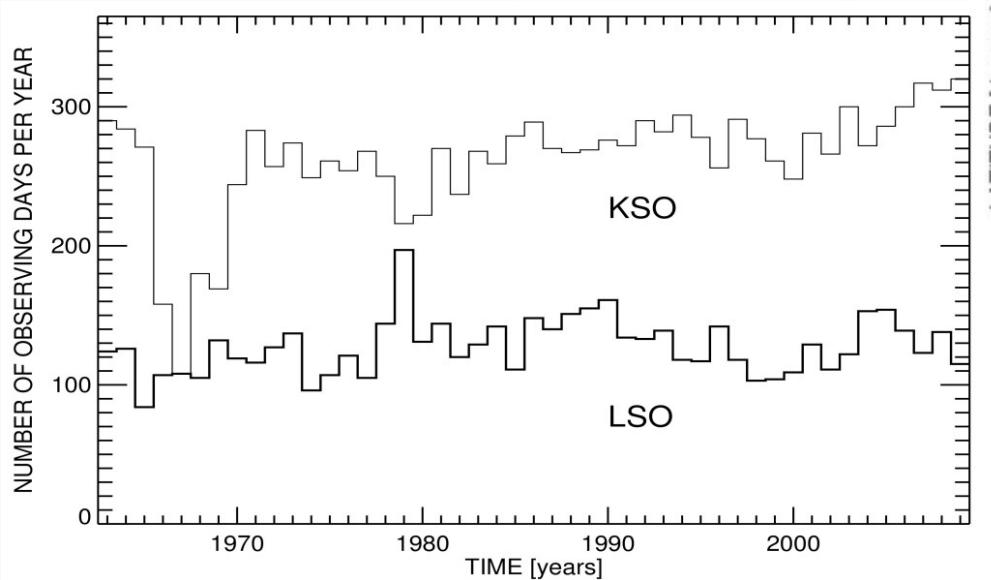
# LSO/KSO H $\alpha$ prominence catalogue

- Pros: more data, more precise determination of parameters
- Cons: narrower filter passband ( $\pm 150$  km/s  $\rightarrow \pm 20$  km/s)
- Current status - 31/12/2021:
  - LSO: 05/1967 - 08/2009:  
41795 prominences
  - KSO: 09/2009 - 12/2021:  
27304 prominences
  - LSO:  $\sim 82$  proms/month  
KSO:  $\sim 182$  proms/month



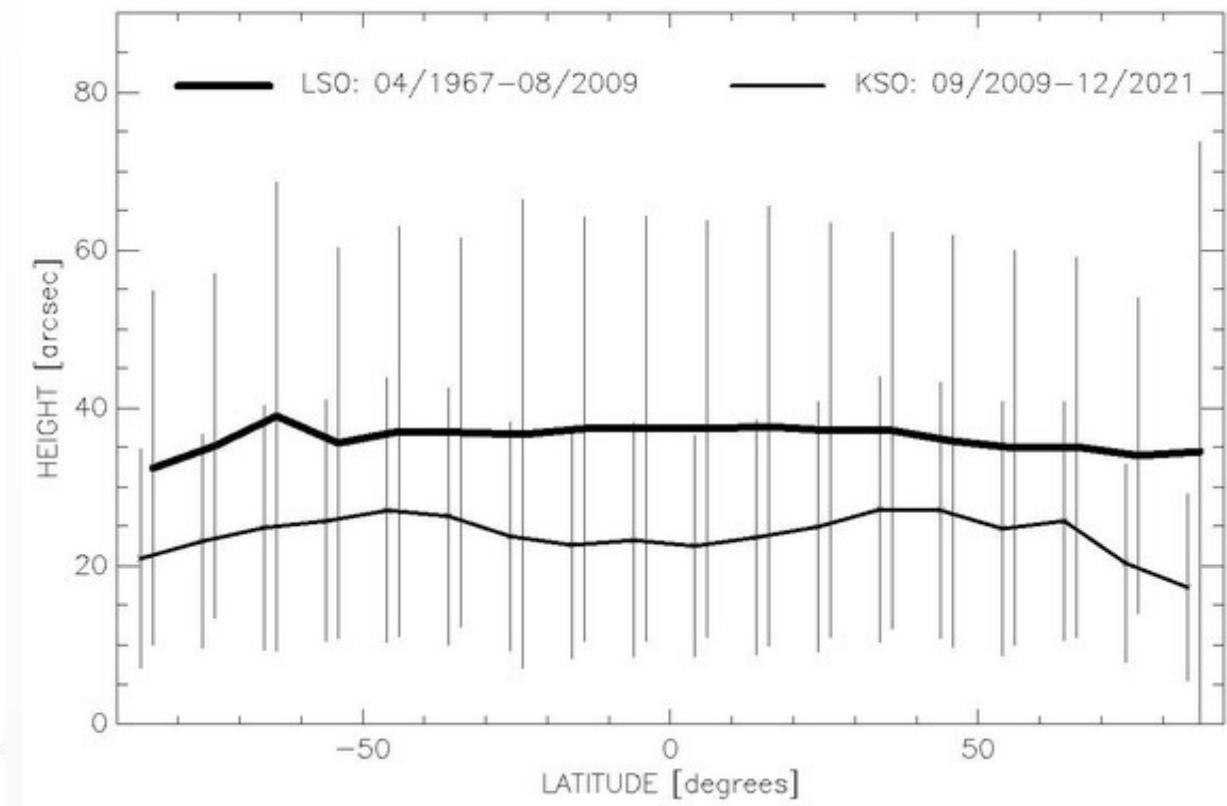
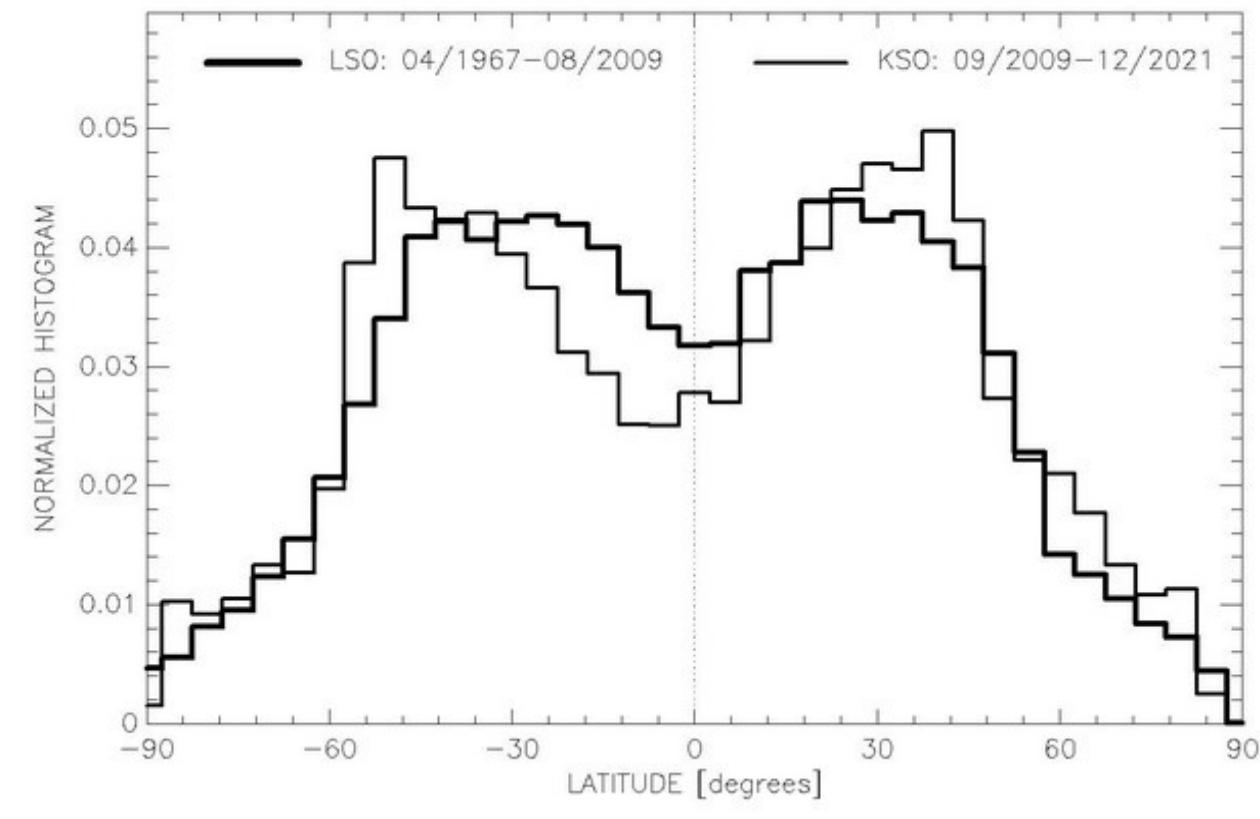
# LSO/KSO H $\alpha$ prominence catalogue

- Current status – 31/12/2021: LSO: 05/1967 - 08/2009: 41795 prominences, KSO: 09/2009 - 12/2021: 27304 prominences → LSO ~82 proms/month and KSO ~182 proms/month
  - Mostly effect of the number of observing days



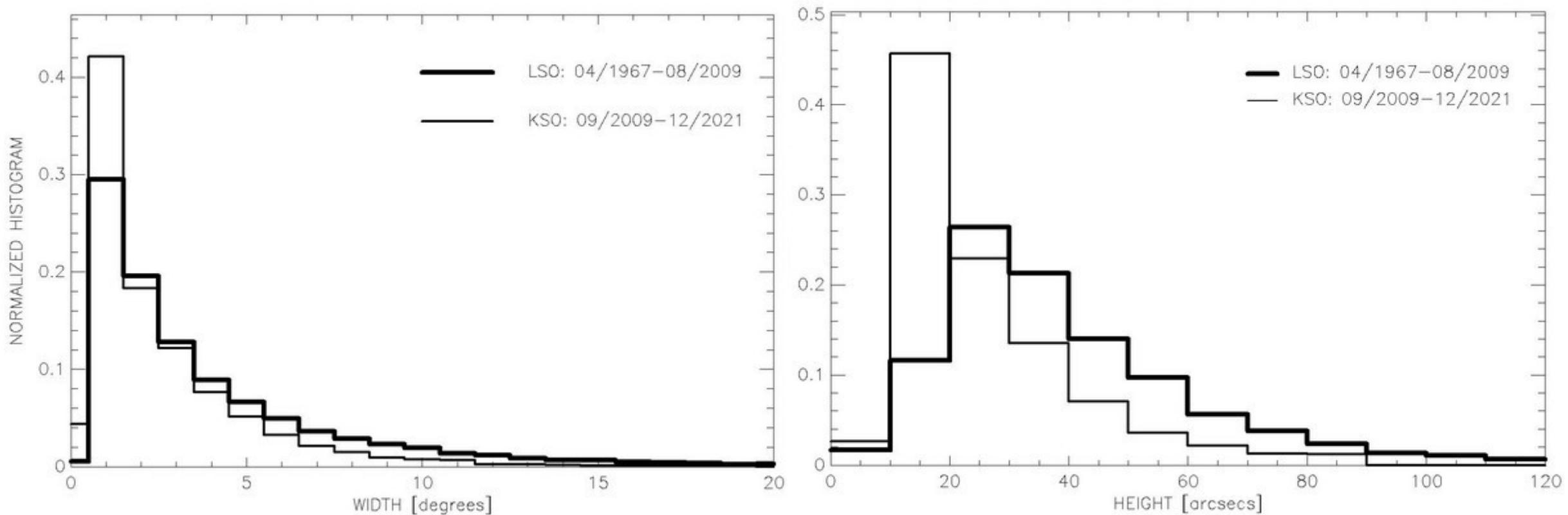
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- Statistical properties: distribution in latitude, height  $\sim$  latitude



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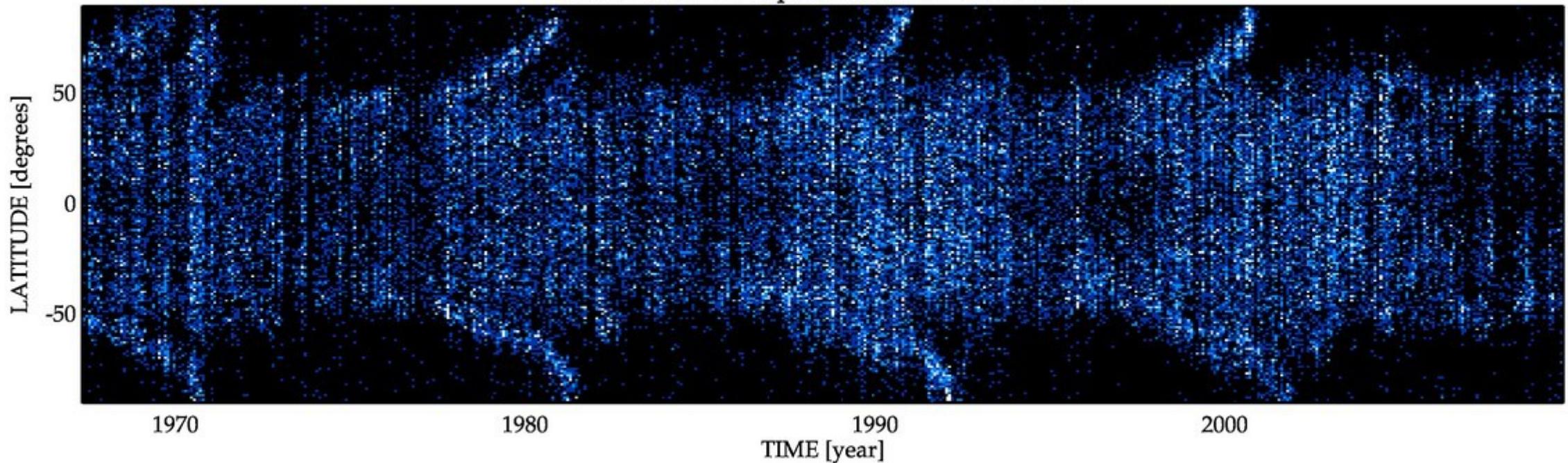
- Statistical properties: width distribution, height distribution  $\rightarrow w > 1.5^\circ$  and  $h > 20''$



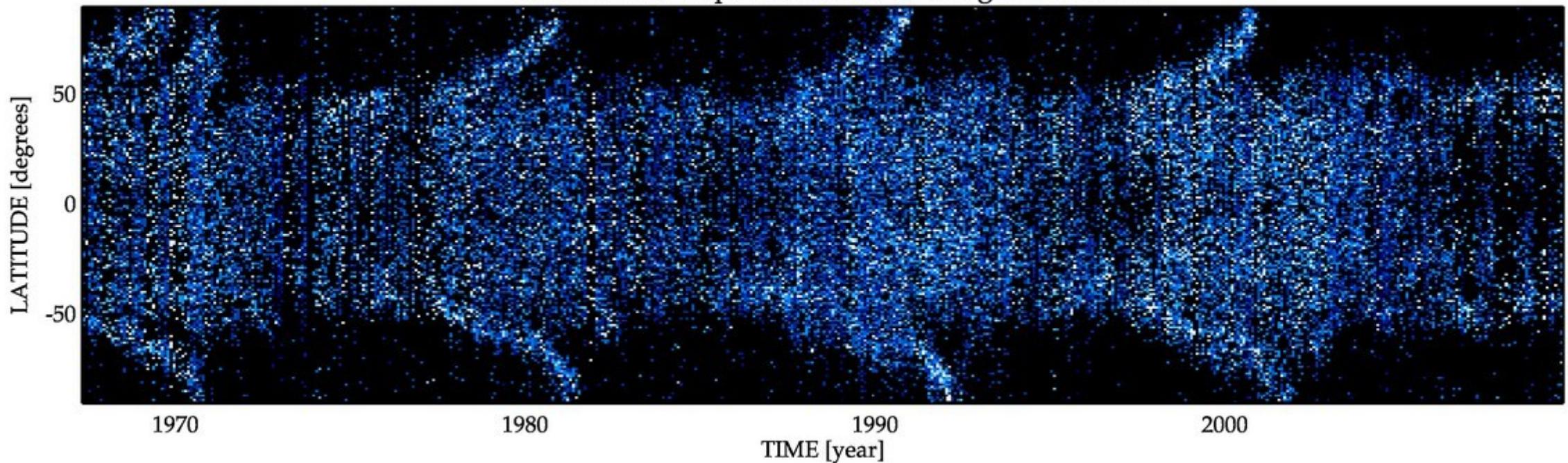
# LSO/KSO H $\alpha$ prominence catalogue

- the target relation: The time - latitude distribution of the prominences
- the selected parameter: number of the prominences ( $w>1.5^\circ$  and  $h>20''$ ) in bins of dimensions: time - calendar month x latitude -  $10^\circ$
- homogenization for the filling factor of the observing days in a month
- LSO/KSO catalogue – actual status & used display settings:
  - Time: 05/1967 – 12/2021,  $d\_time$ : 1 month
  - Latitude: -90, +90,  $d\_latitude$ :  $10^\circ$
  - Parameter: number of the prominences – raw data ~ homogenized data
  - the optimum dynamic range for display purposes: limits,  $\text{sqrt}(\text{number})$

LSO: number of prominences - raw data



LSO: number of prominences - homogenized data



KSO: number of prominences - raw data

LATITUDE [degrees]

50  
0  
-50

2010 2012 2014 2016 2018 2020 2022

TIME [year]

KSO: number of prominences - homogenized data

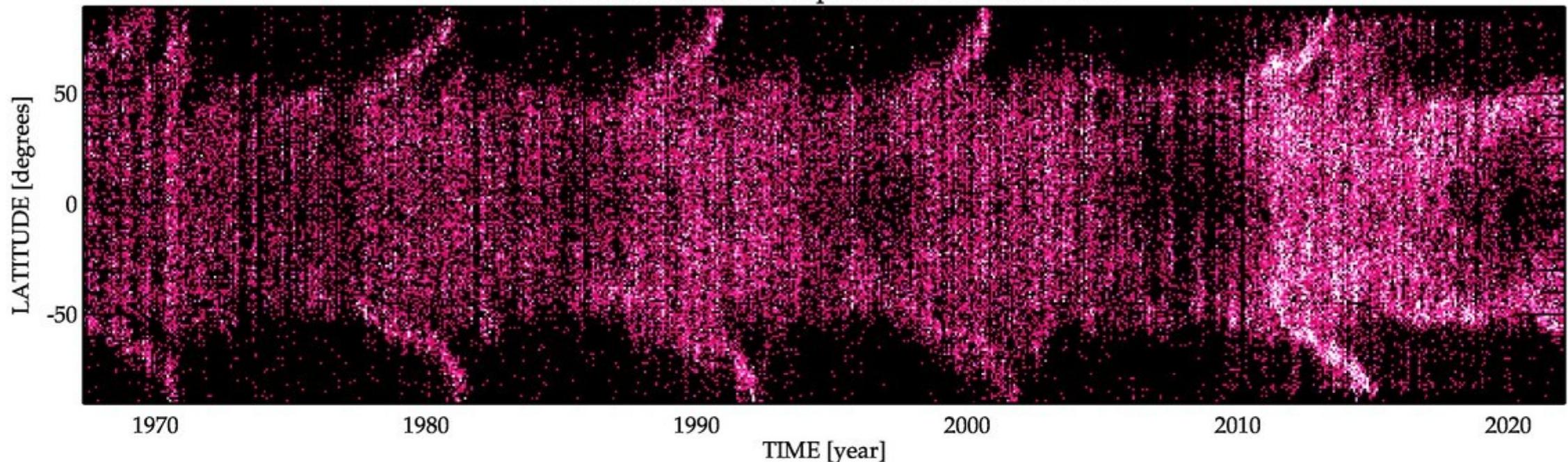
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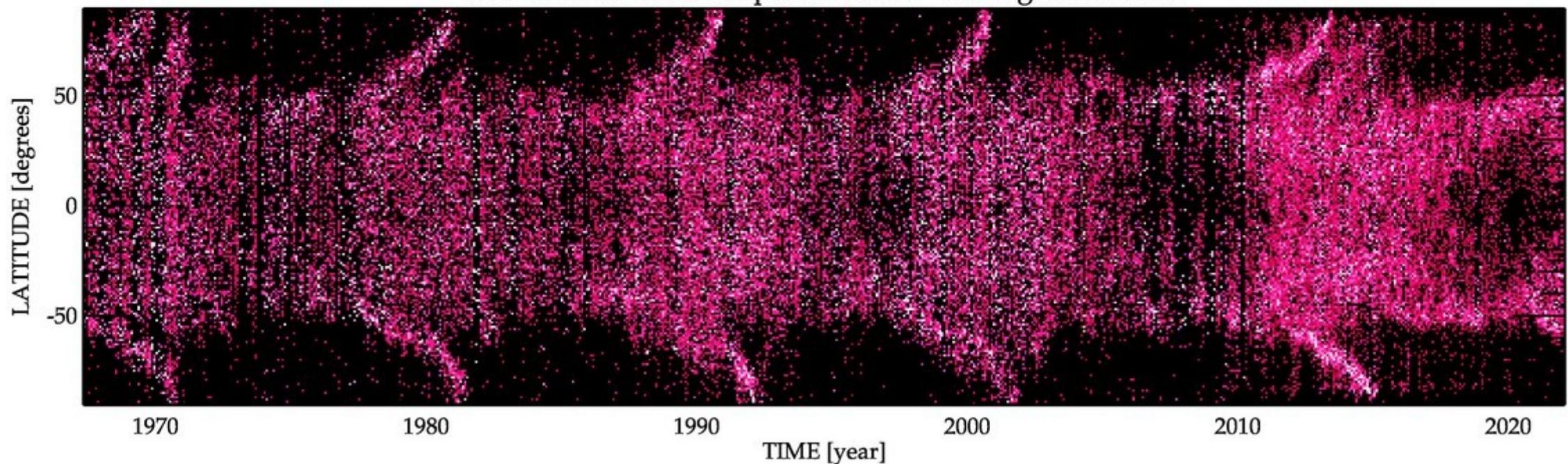
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LSO+KSO: number of prominences - raw data

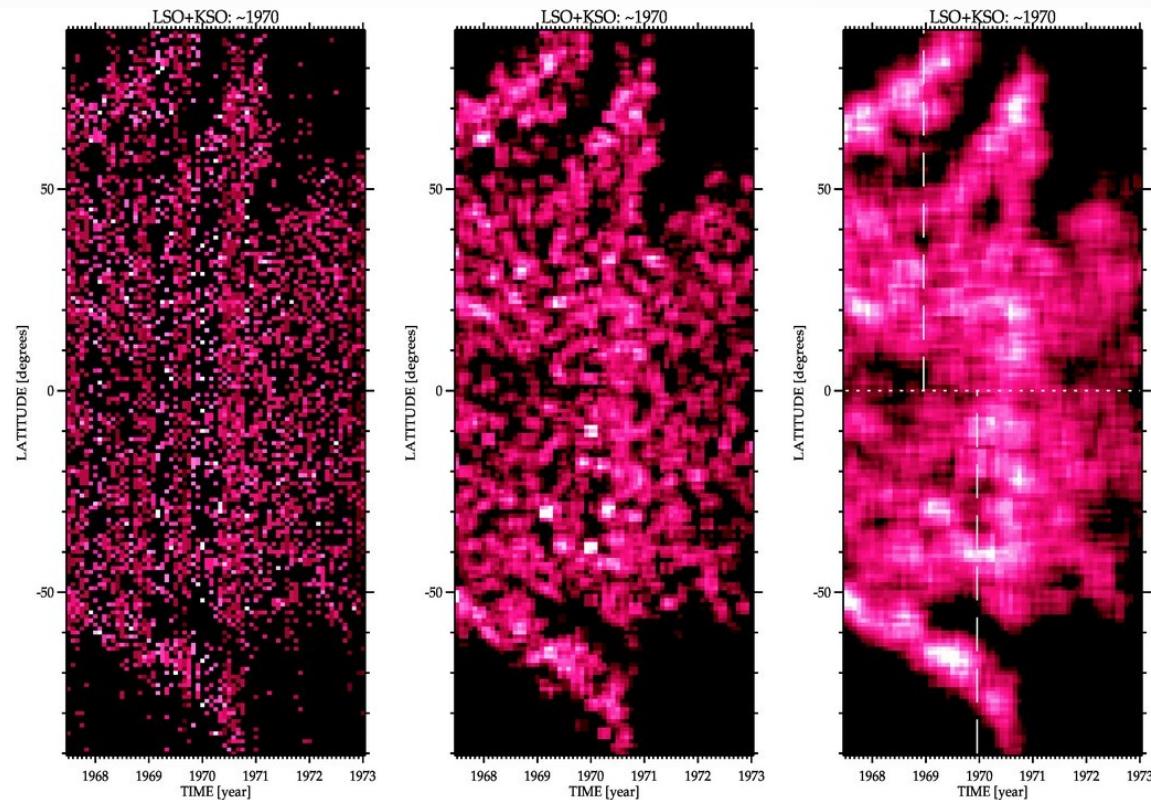


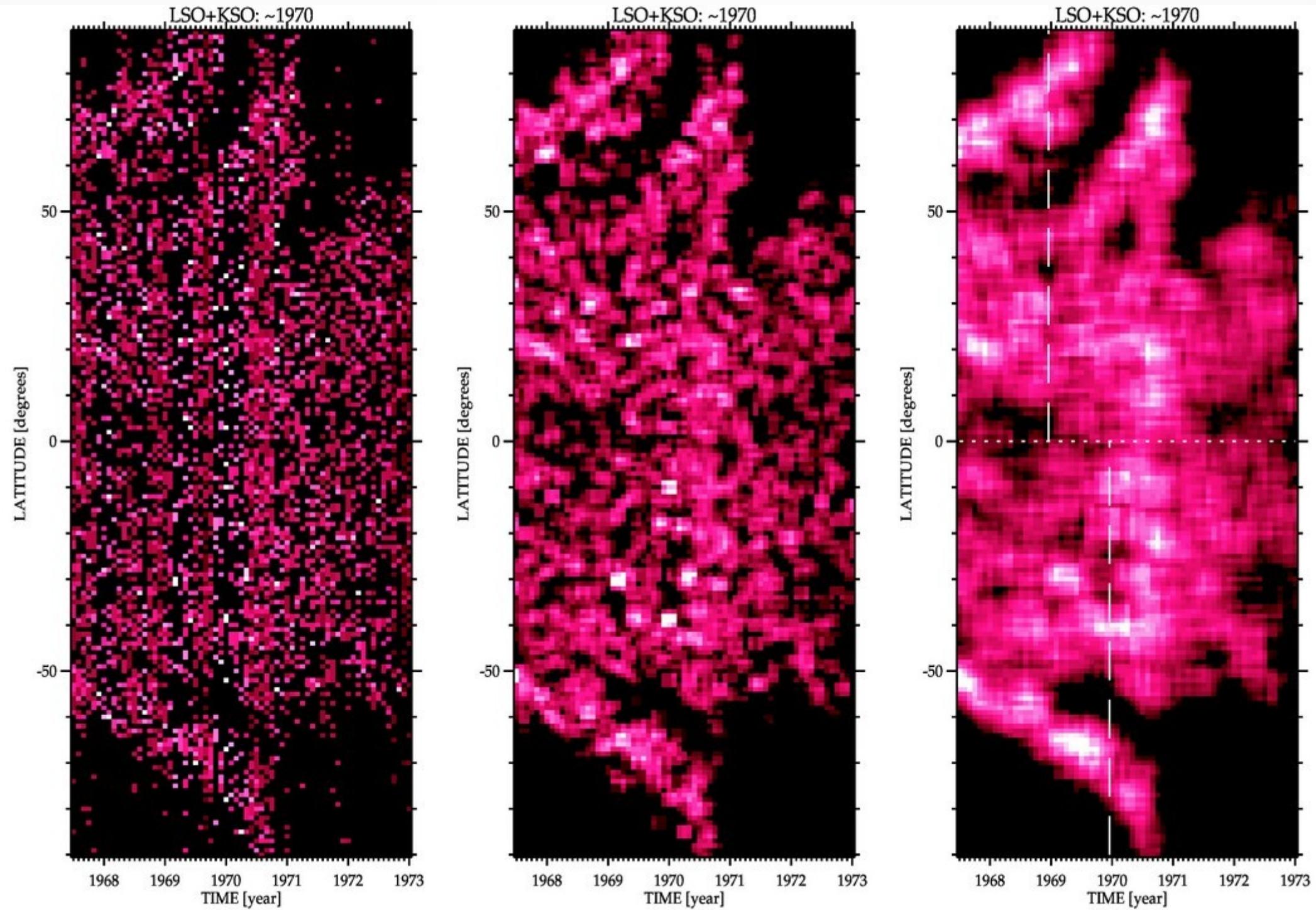
LSO+KSO: number of prominences - homogenized data

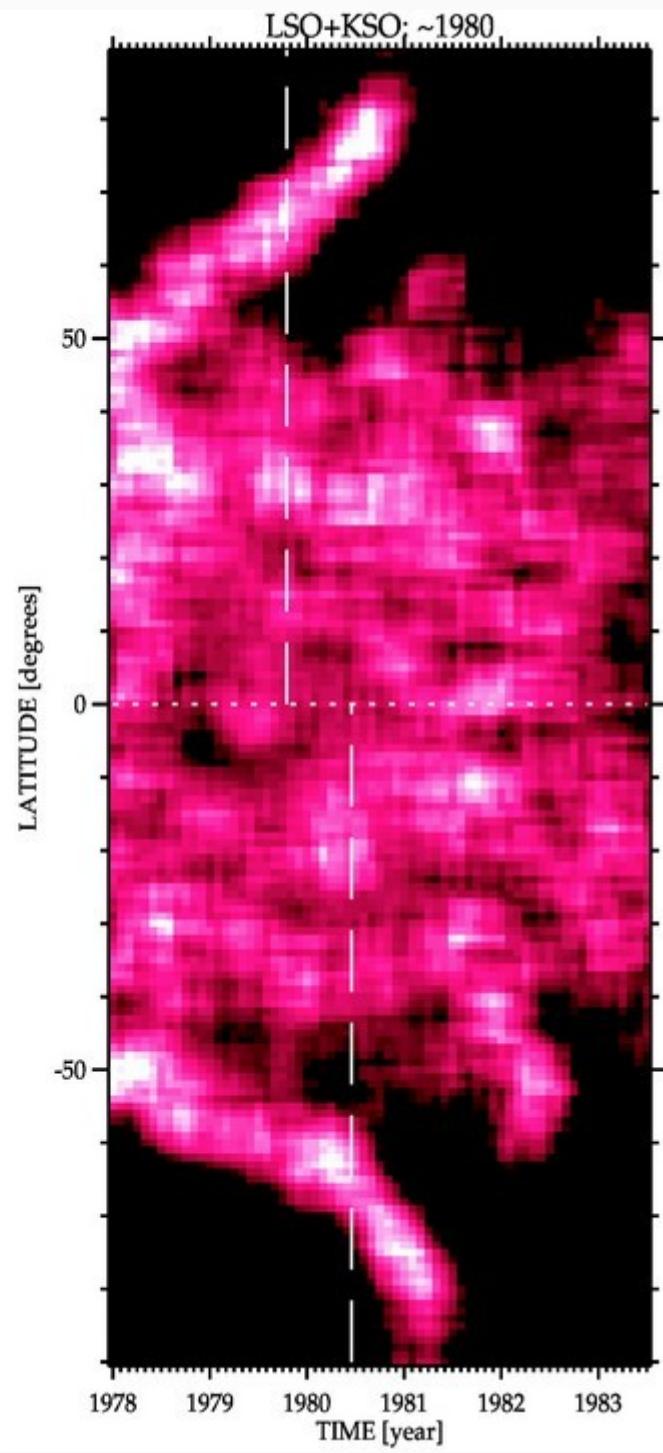
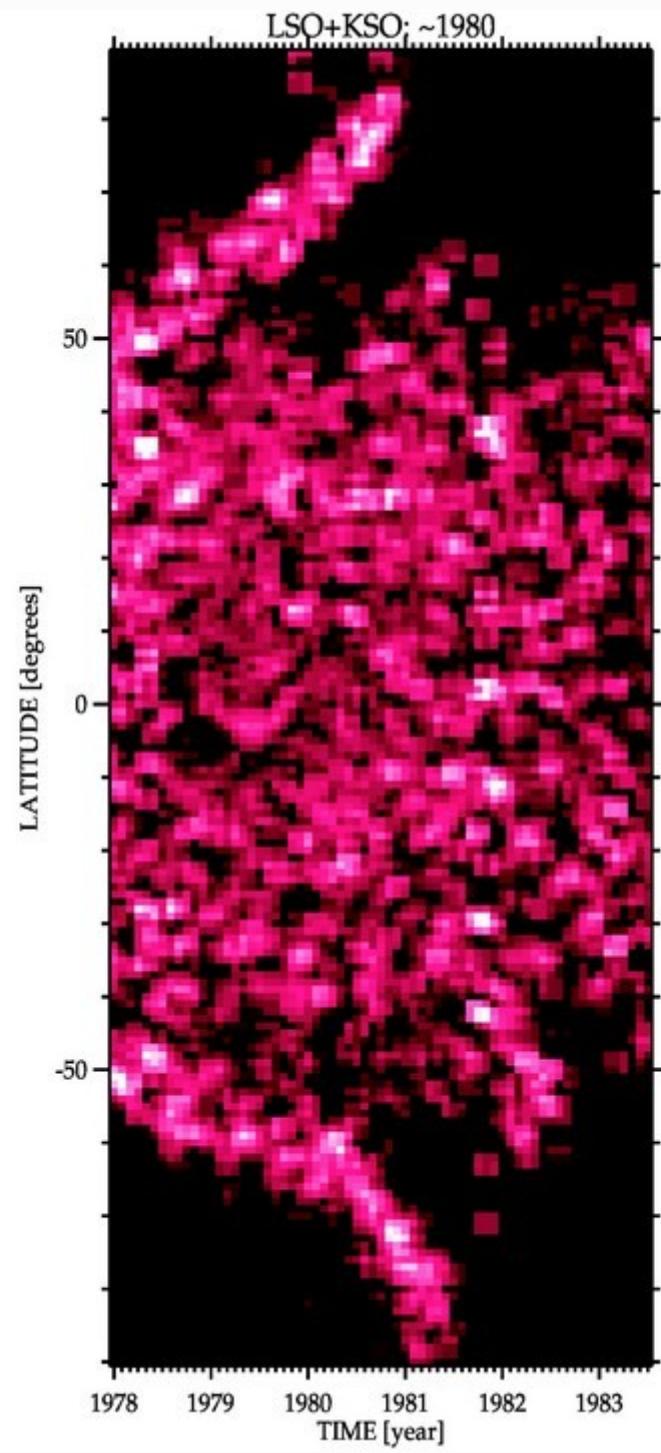
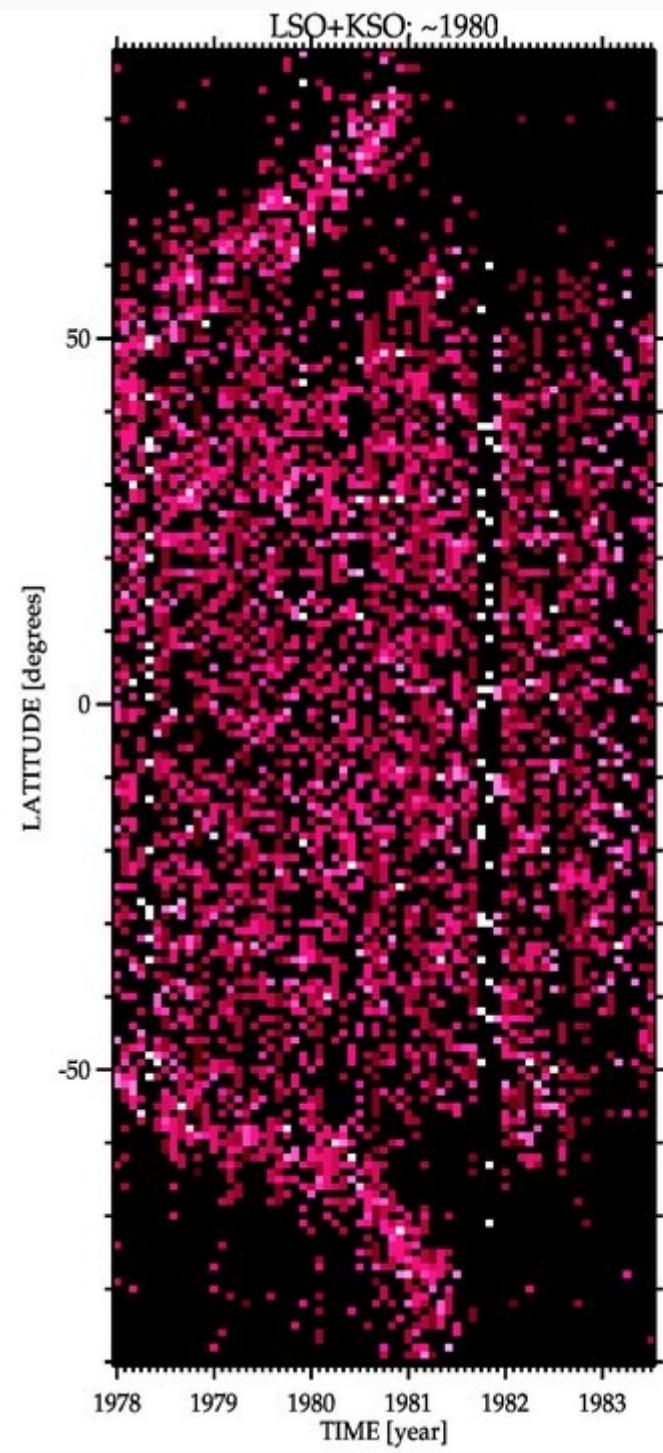


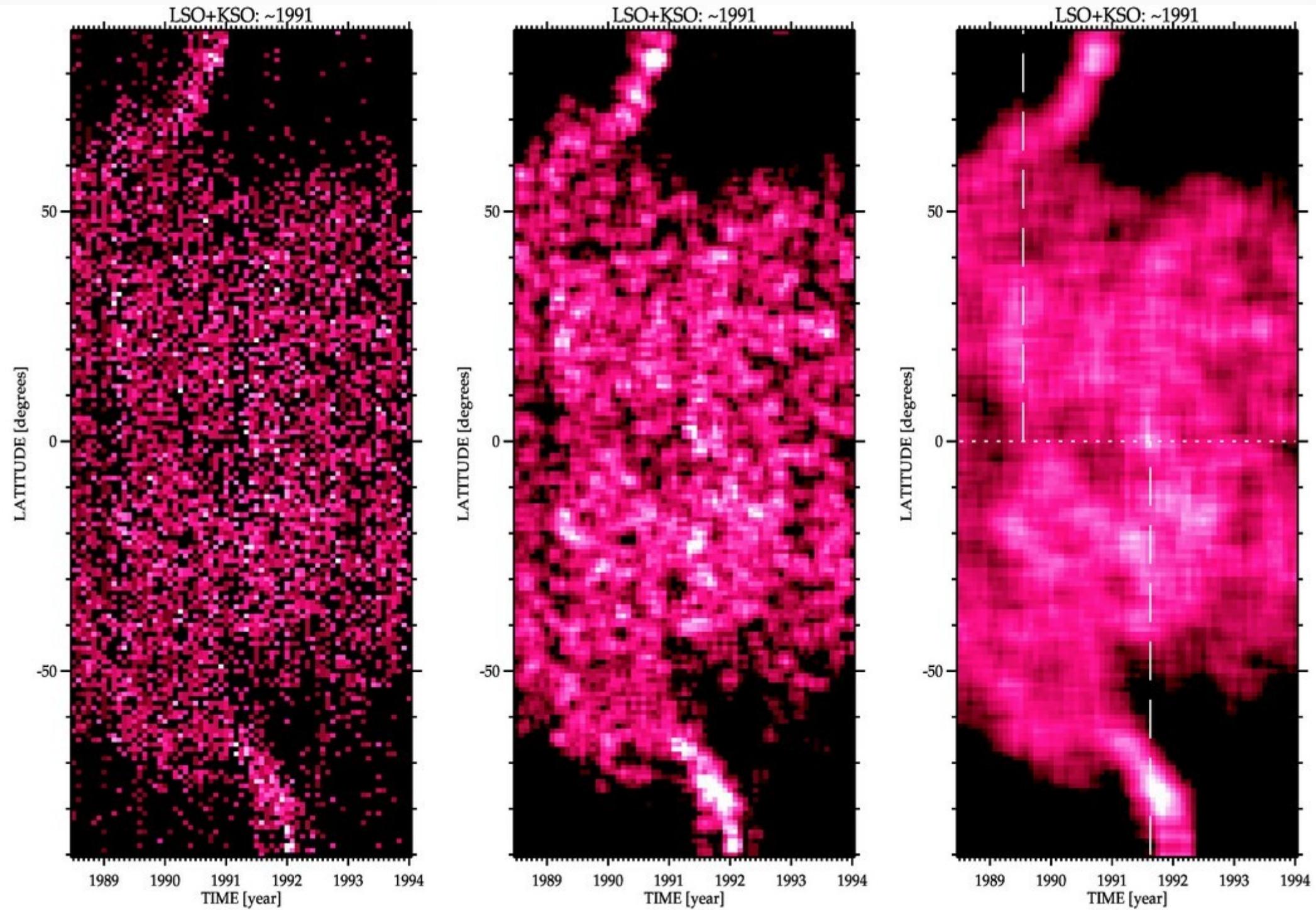
# Polar branches

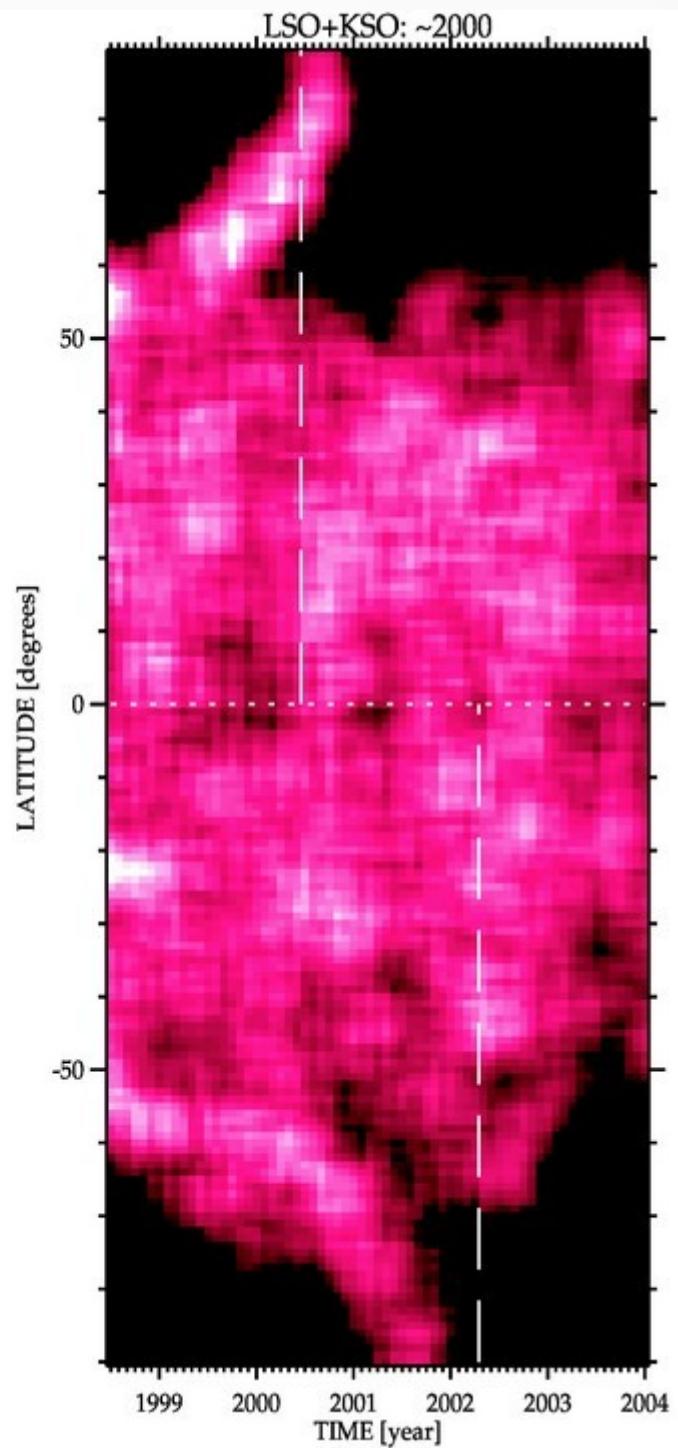
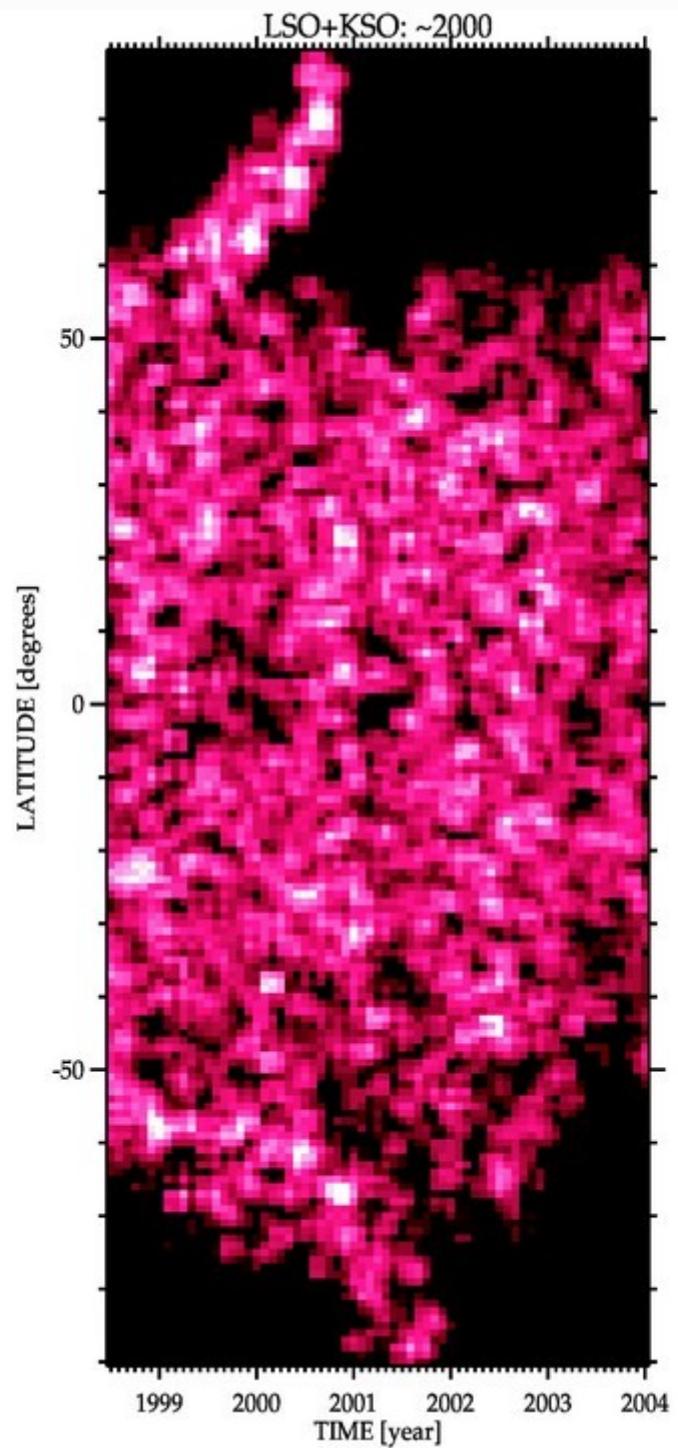
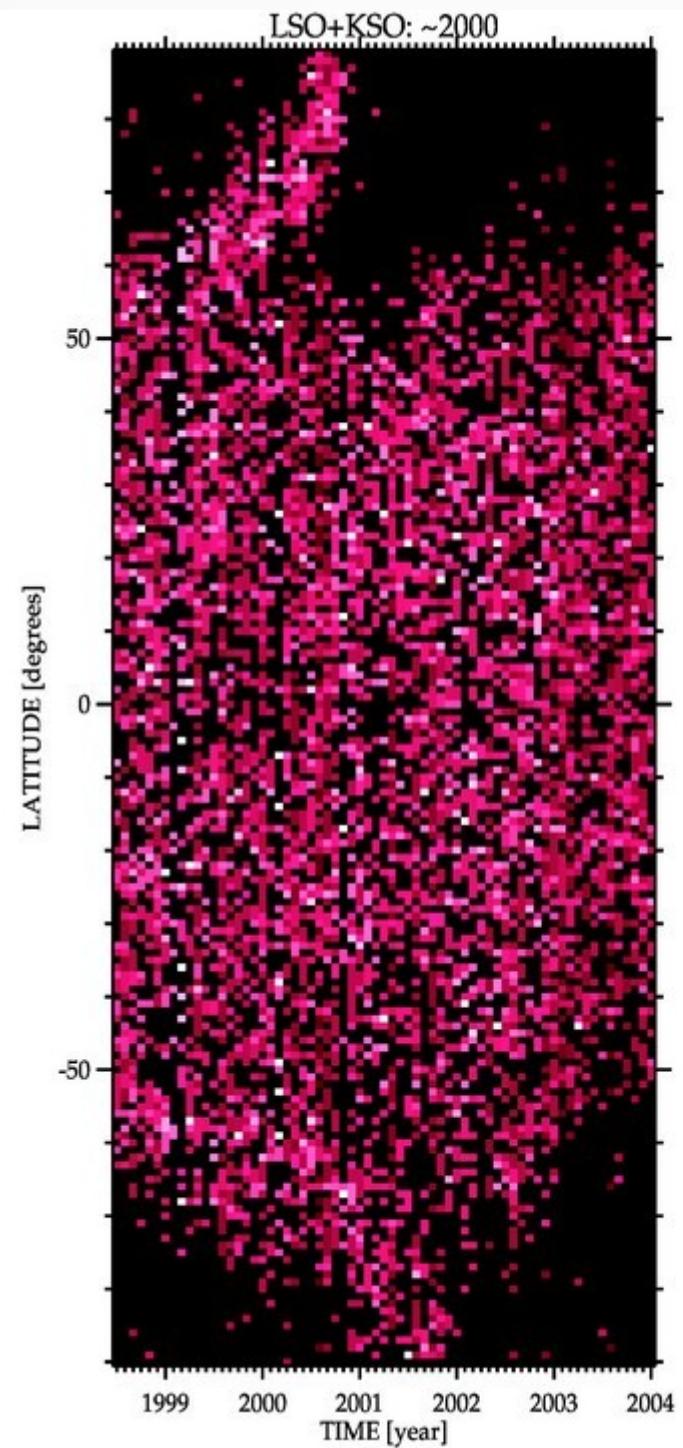
- Cycles & hemispheres
- The primary and the secondary polar branches
- The presented results: homogenized data:  
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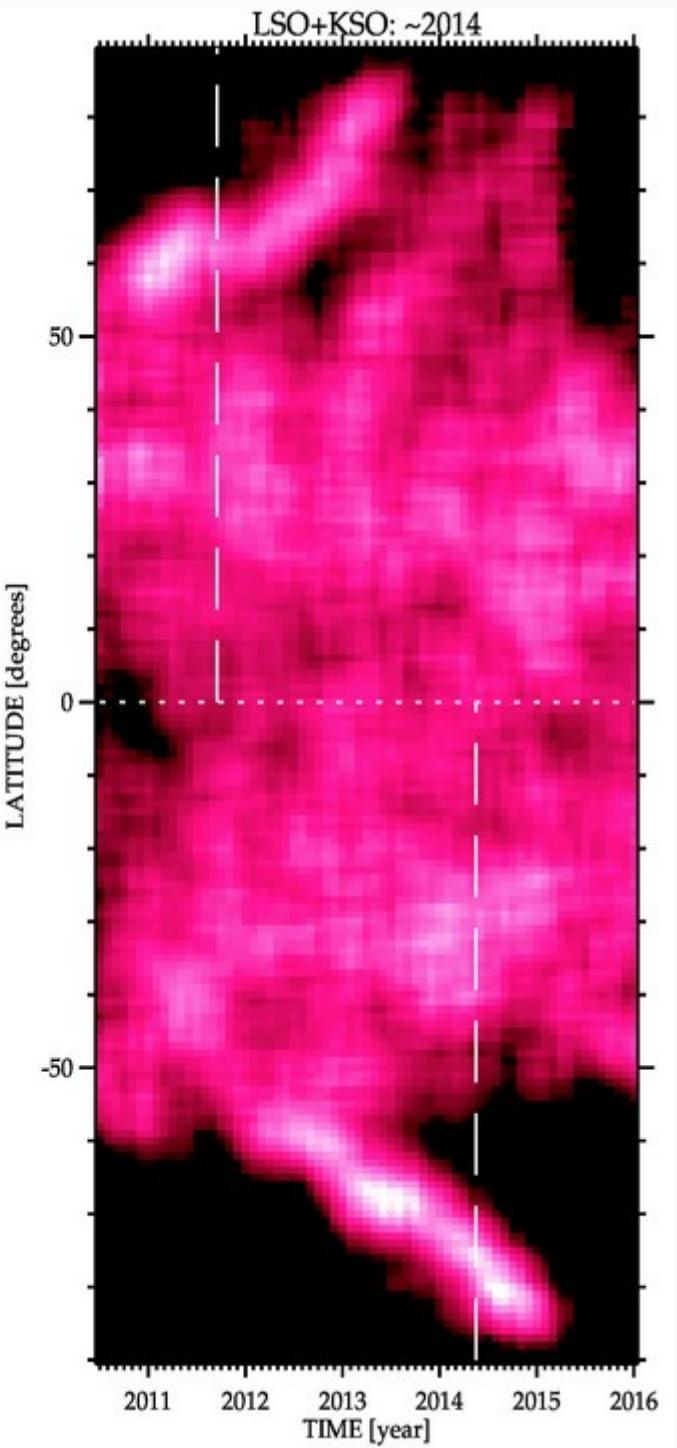
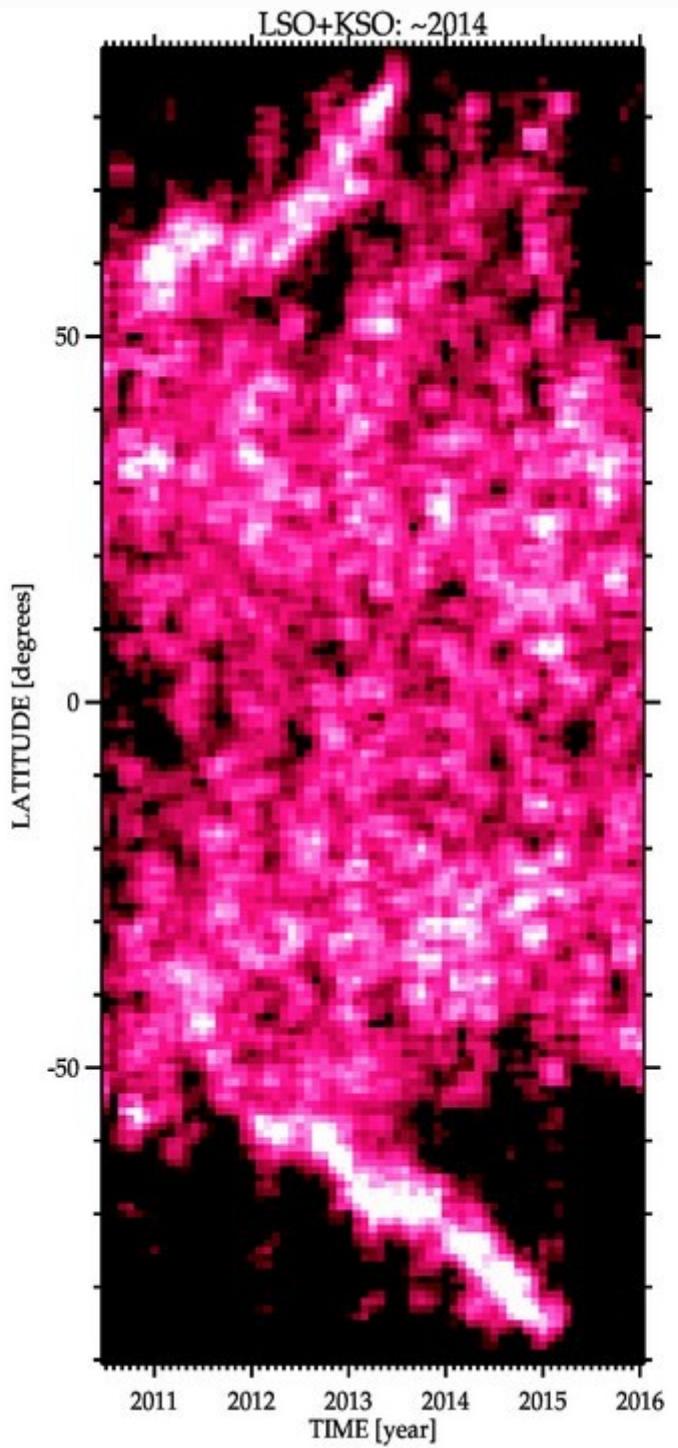
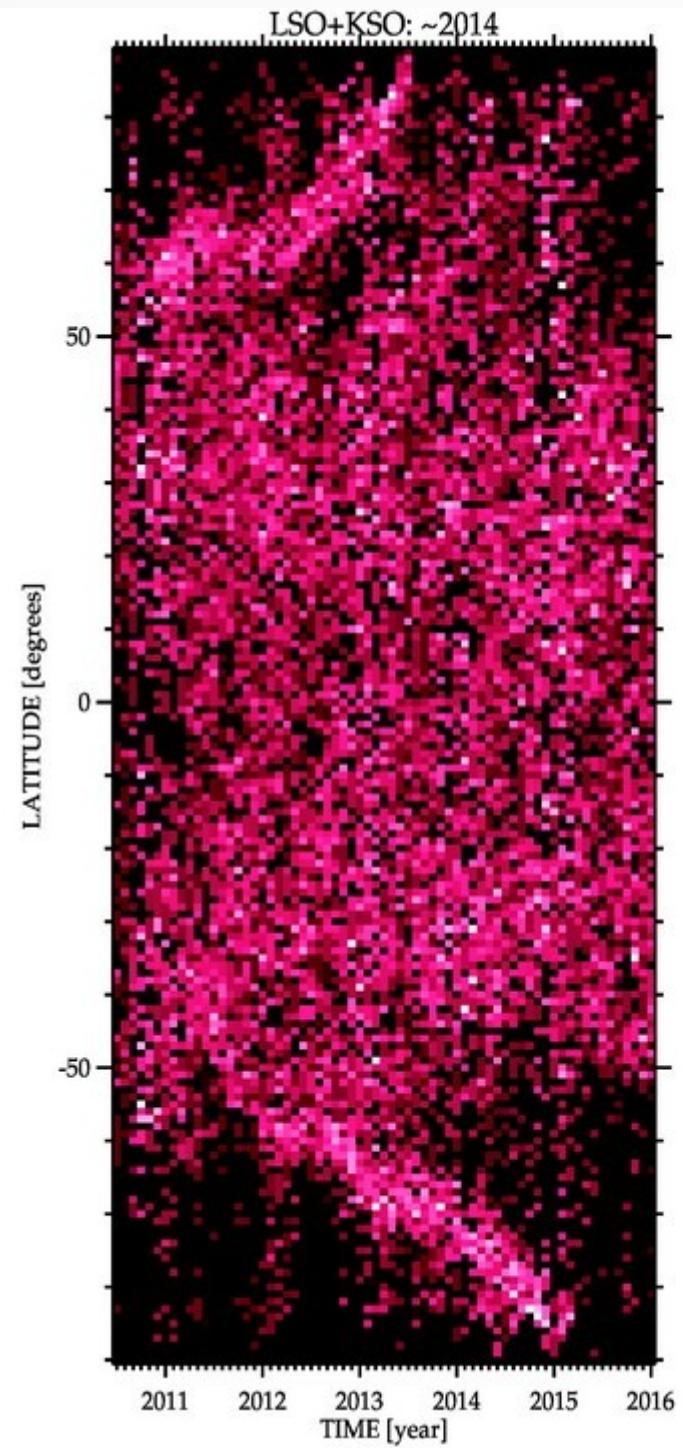




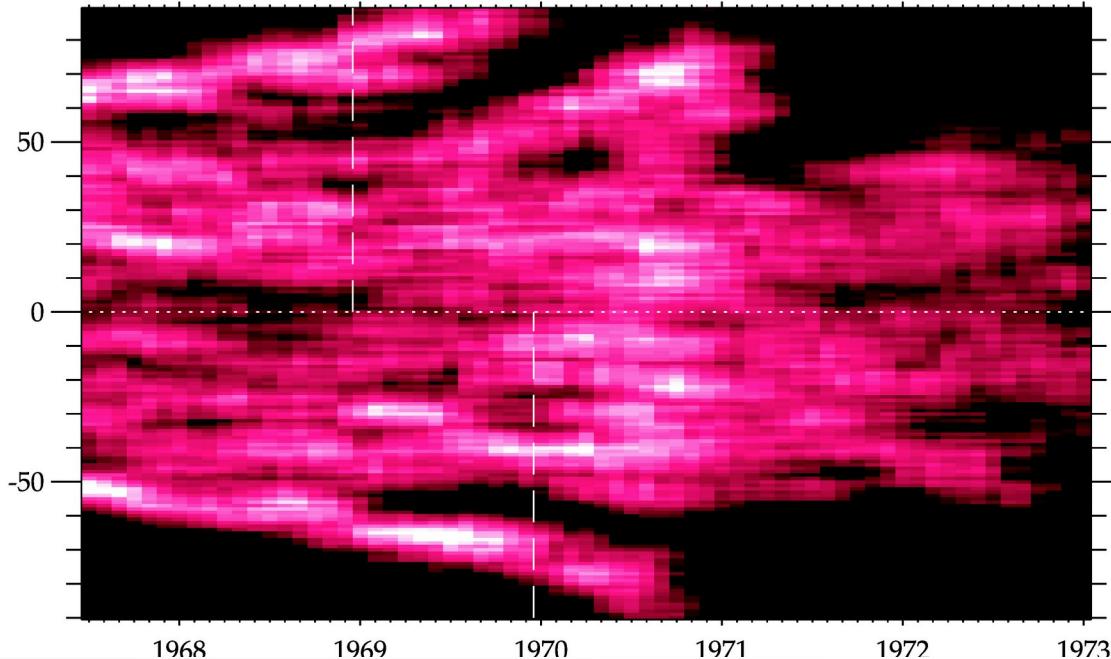






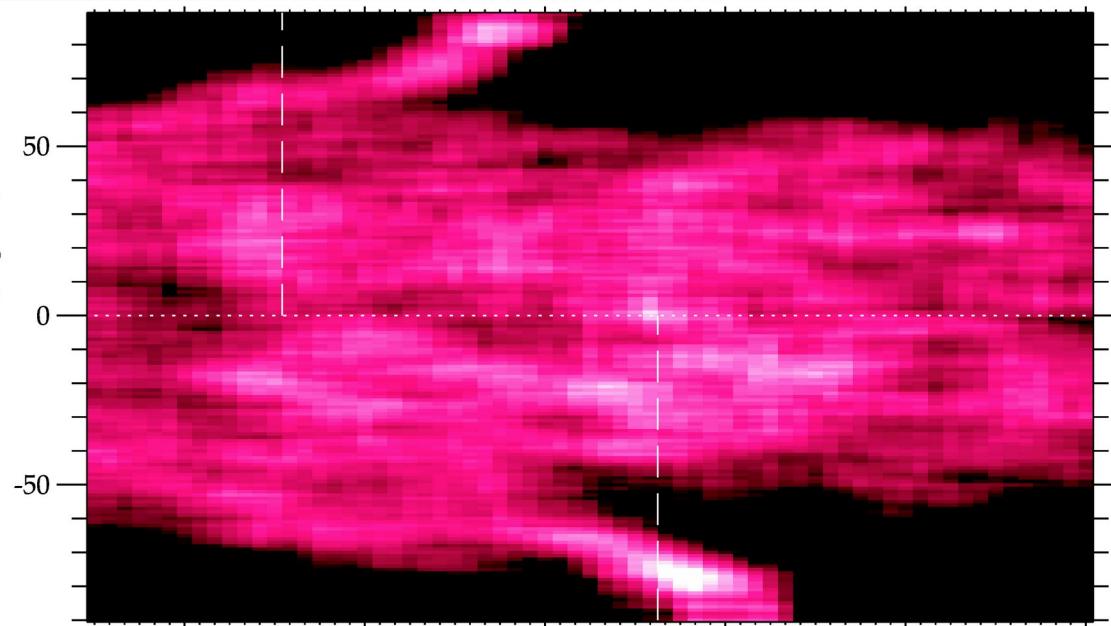
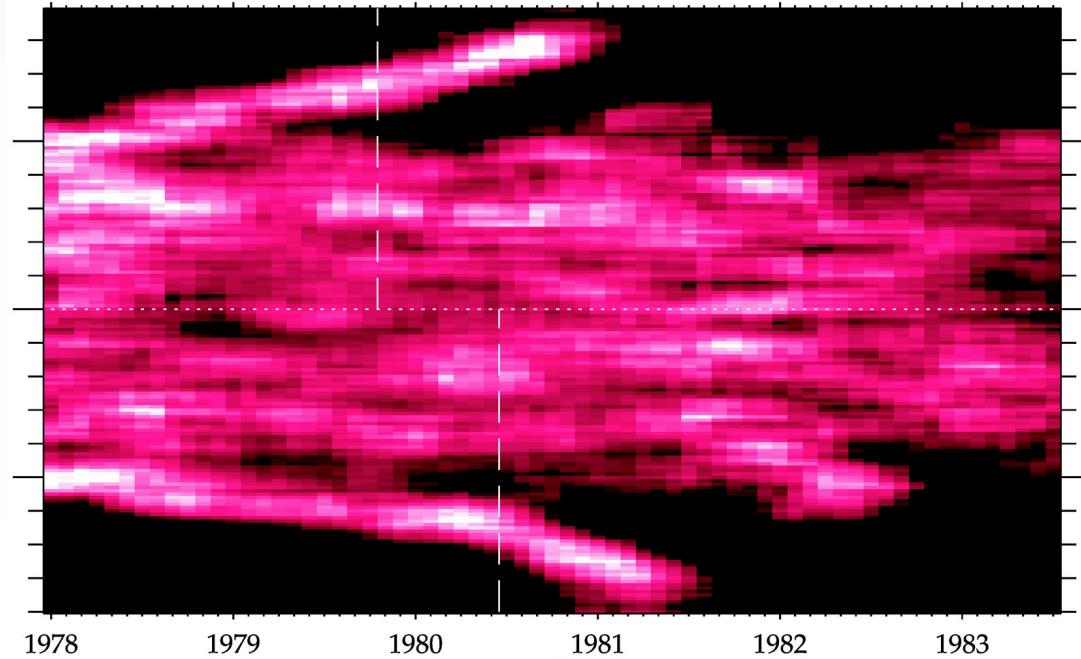


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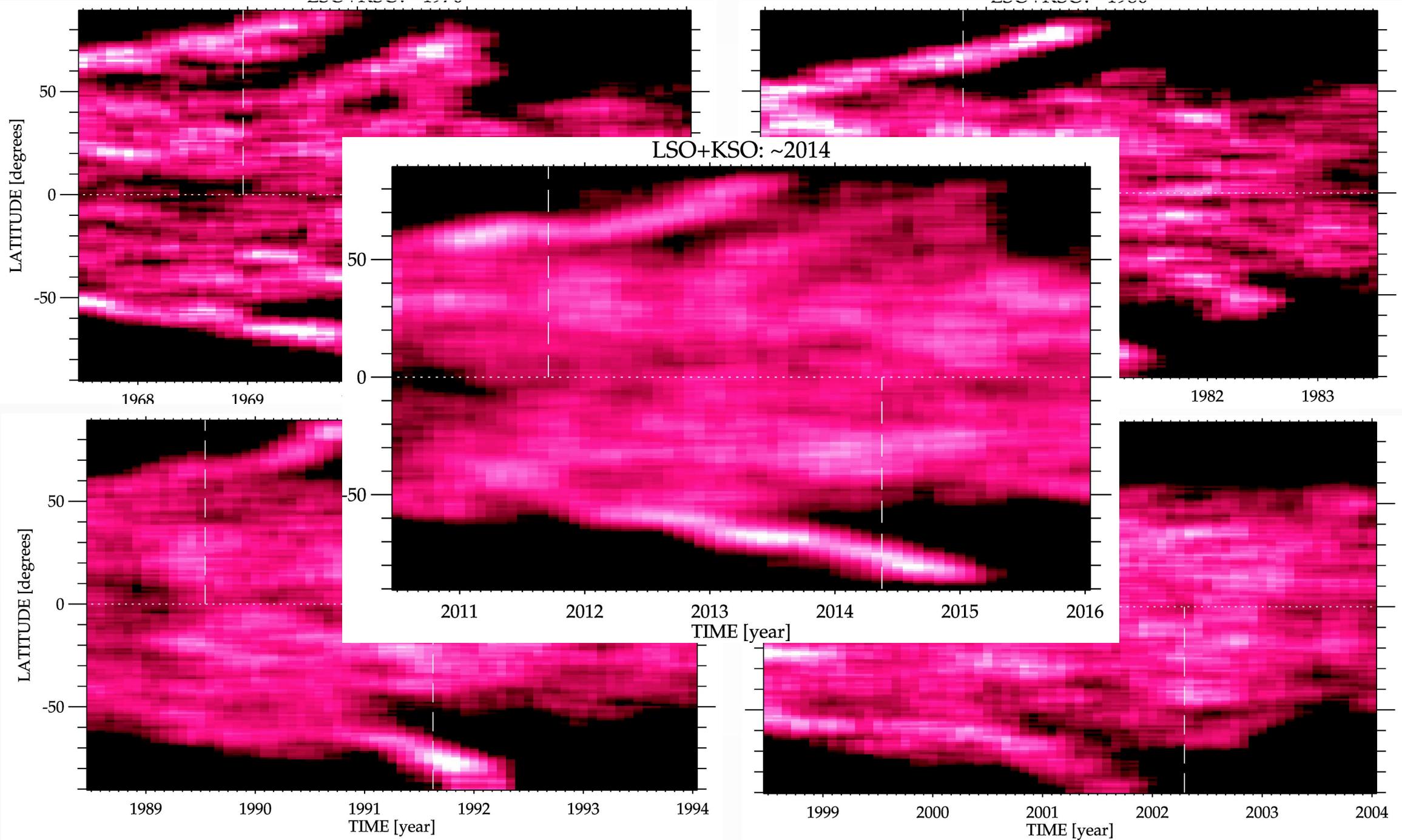
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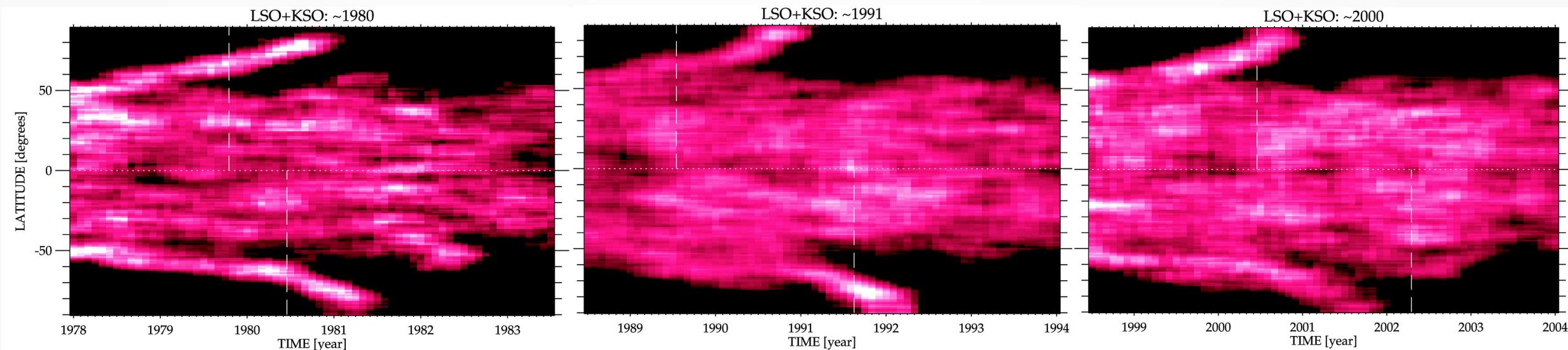


# Polar branches: arrival to poles

Cycle		-	Secondary PB – before primary	-	Primary PB	-	Secondary PB – after primary	-
20	N			<- 69.0 <- 70.2	69.0-70.0 70.5-70.8	70.0-70.5 71.0 ->	70.5-71.2	71.3 ->
21	S			<- 80.5 <- 81.0	80.5-81.0 81.0-81.5	81.0-> 81.5->		
22	N			<- 90.3 <- 91.4	90.4-91.1 91.4-92.3	91.2 -> 92.5 ->		
23	S				00.4-01.0 01.4-02.0			
24	N			<- 13.0 <- 13.3	13.4-13.6 14.5-15.2	? 15.3 ->	? 14.8-15.4 ?	15.4 ->

# Polar branches ~ pole MF reversals

- single/double arrivals (e.g. Dermendjiev, Stavrev, Rusin, et al., 1994, A&A 281, 241)
- the arrival times (e.g. Pinter, Rybansky, Dorotovic, 2013, IAUS Proc. 300, 456)
- the arrival speeds: slower / faster
  - Faster: 1981 S, 1991N, 2001 S
  - Slower: 1969 N, 2014 N
- the arrival speed change: 1980.5 S, 1991.0 N/S, 2001.0 S

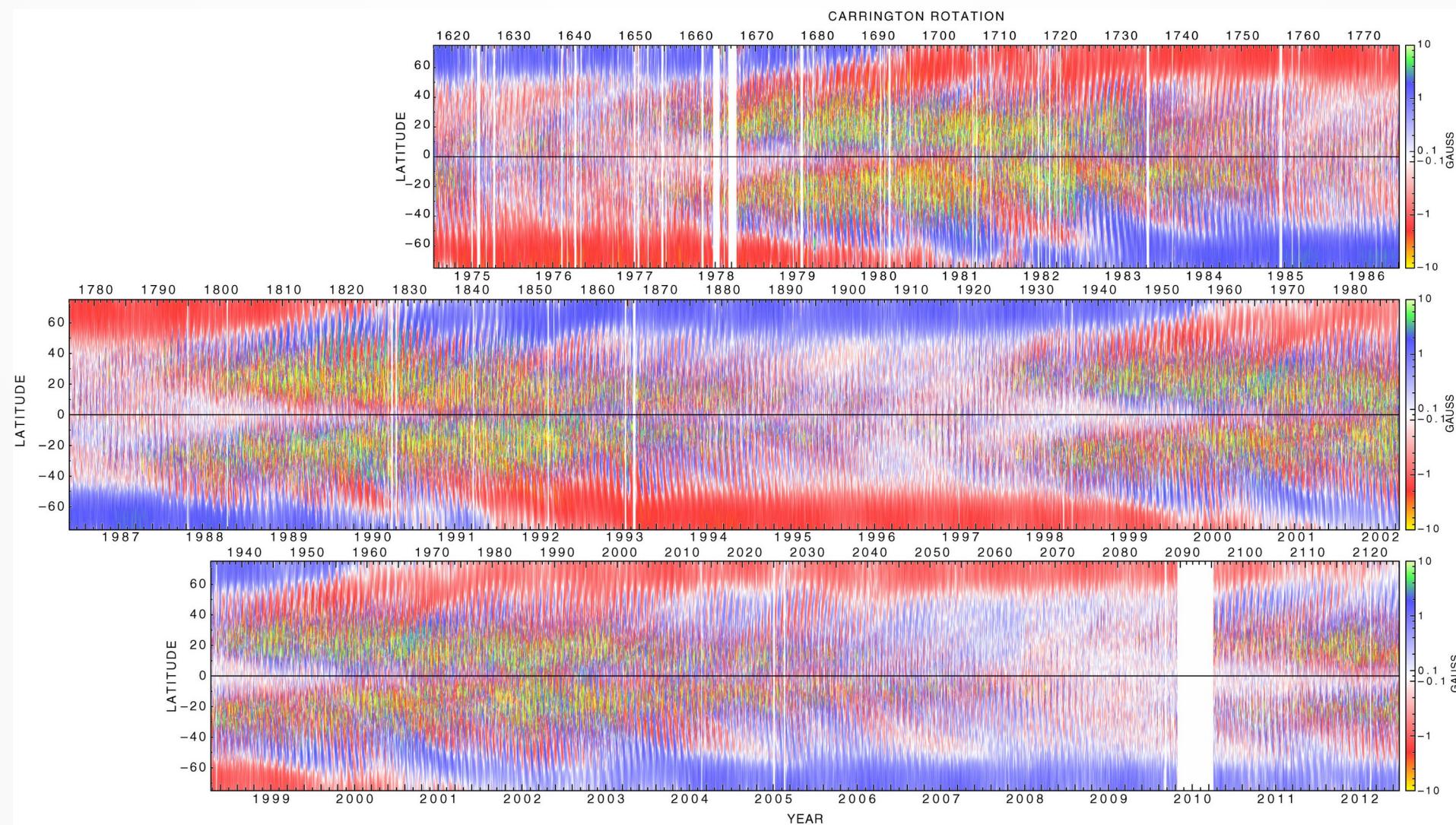


# Polar branches ~ pole MF reversals

- Cycles & hemispheres: cycle 21 ~1980, 22 ~1991, 23 ~2000, 24 ~2014
- Several previous articles on this relation, e.g. by LSO group (Rušin, Rybanský, Minarovjech et al.) or by HAO group (McIntosh et al.) - **only the qualitative comparisions**
- The actual aim: the magnetic field **BKG** data (MFs) - from **figures only**:
  - Magnetic Supersynoptic Chart for 1974 to 2012, R. Ulrich,  
[http://obs.astro.ucla.edu/images/supersynoptic\\_18-cr1617\\_2124.jpg](http://obs.astro.ucla.edu/images/supersynoptic_18-cr1617_2124.jpg)
  - Supersynoptic map for Cycle 24 based on GONG data, A. Pevtsov et al., J. Space Weather Space Clim. 2021, 11, 4  
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  - Any hypothesis ?
- A future goal: The magnetic field **BKG** data (MFs) - from digital **data for a quantitative results**

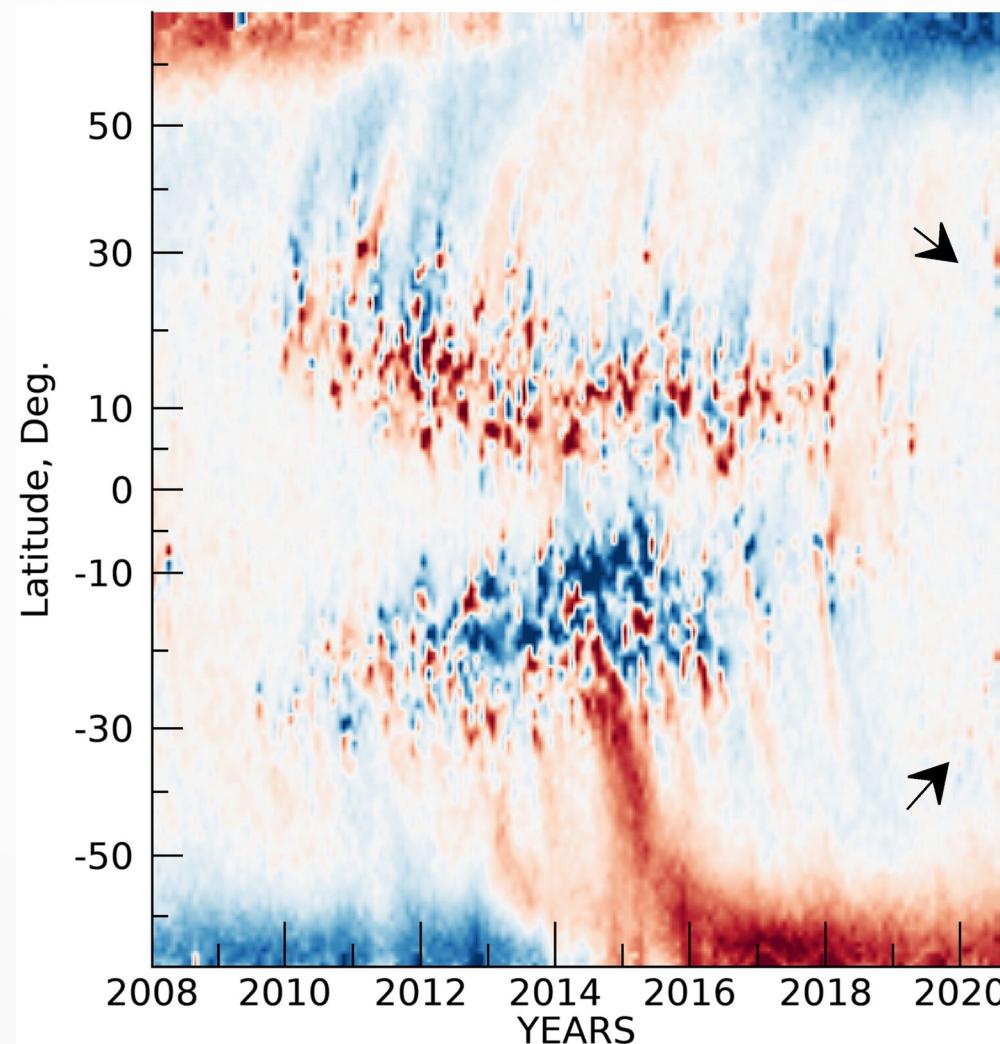
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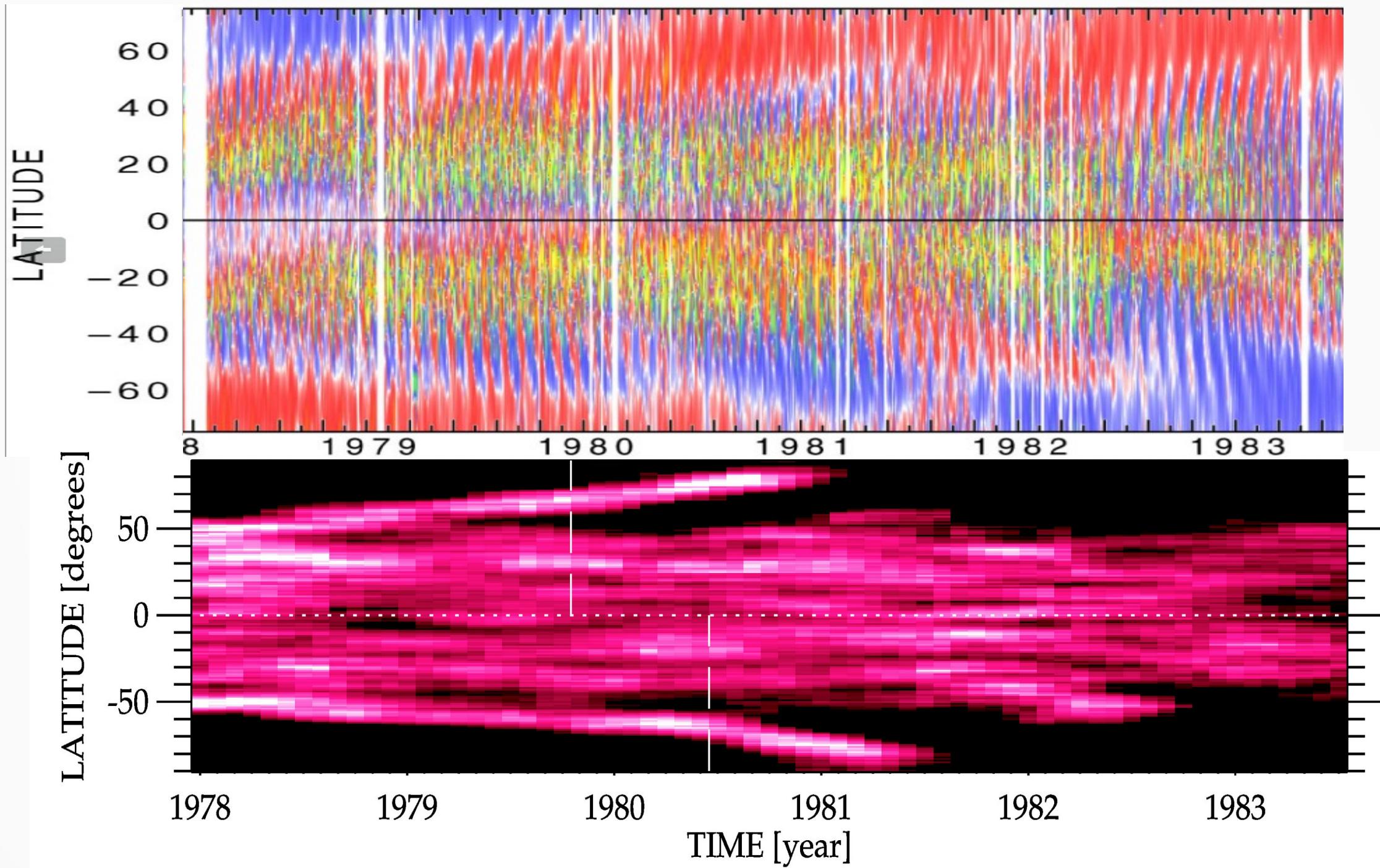
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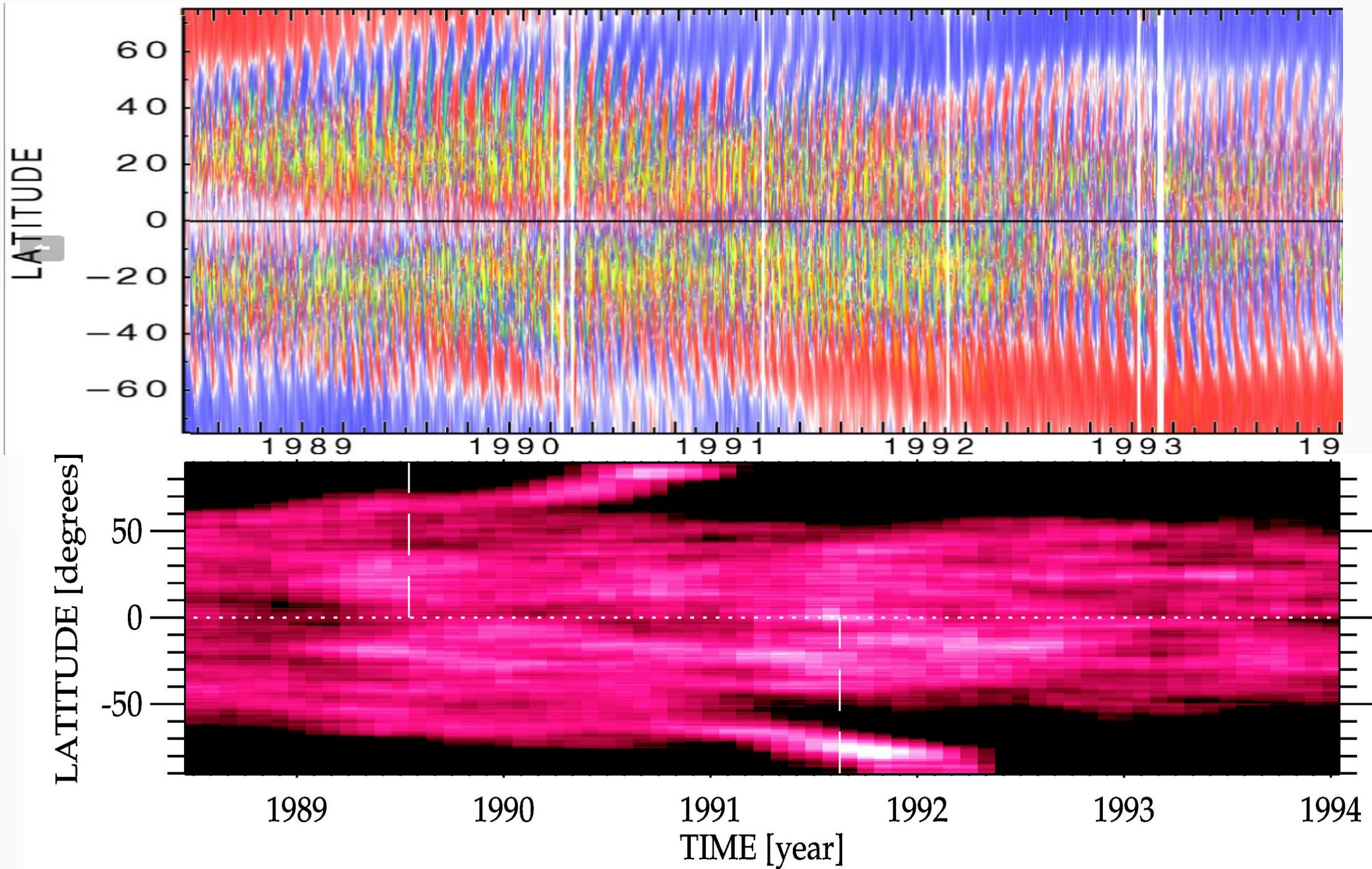


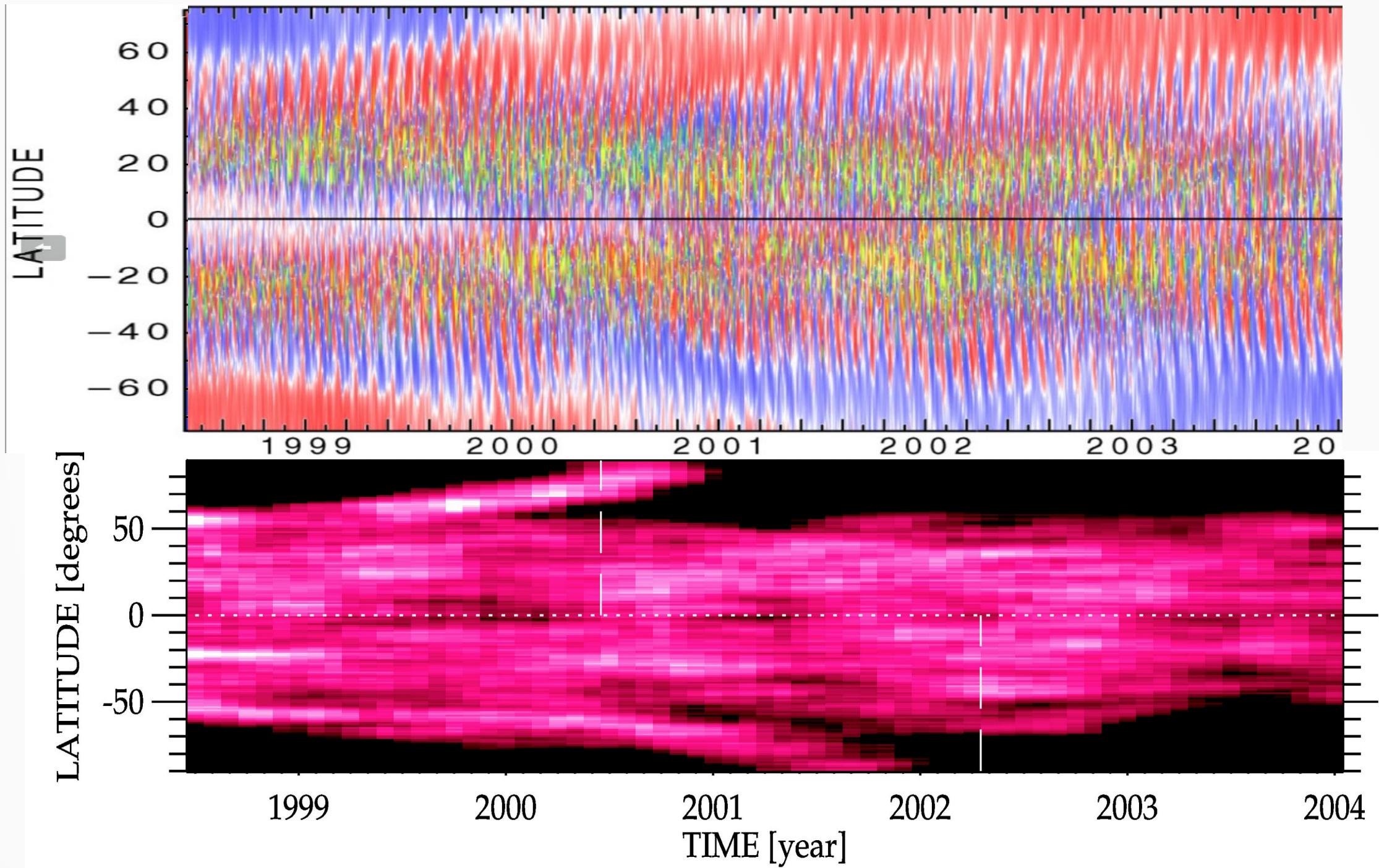
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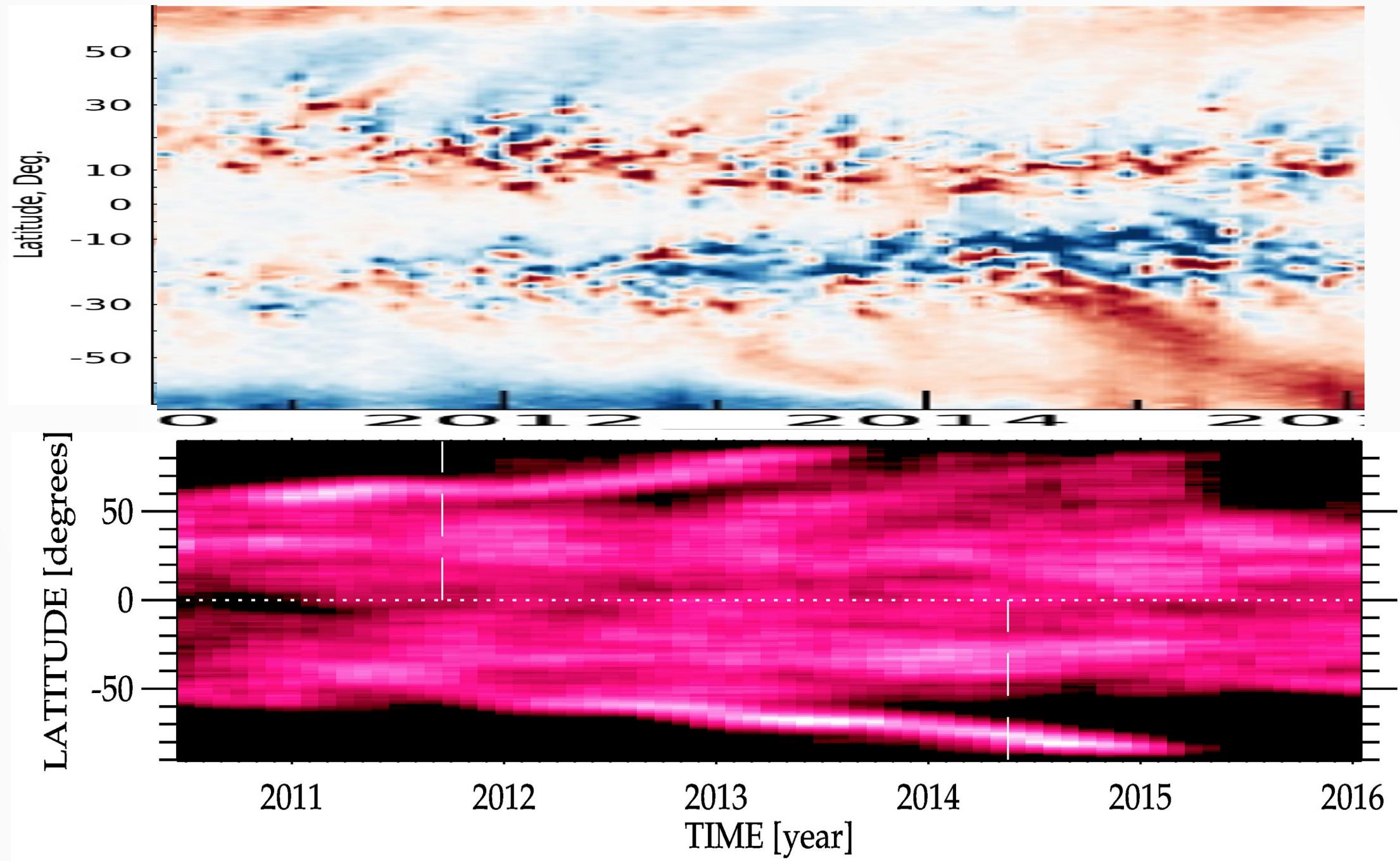
- Supersynoptic map for the Cycle 24 (GONG data, A. Pevtsov et al.)





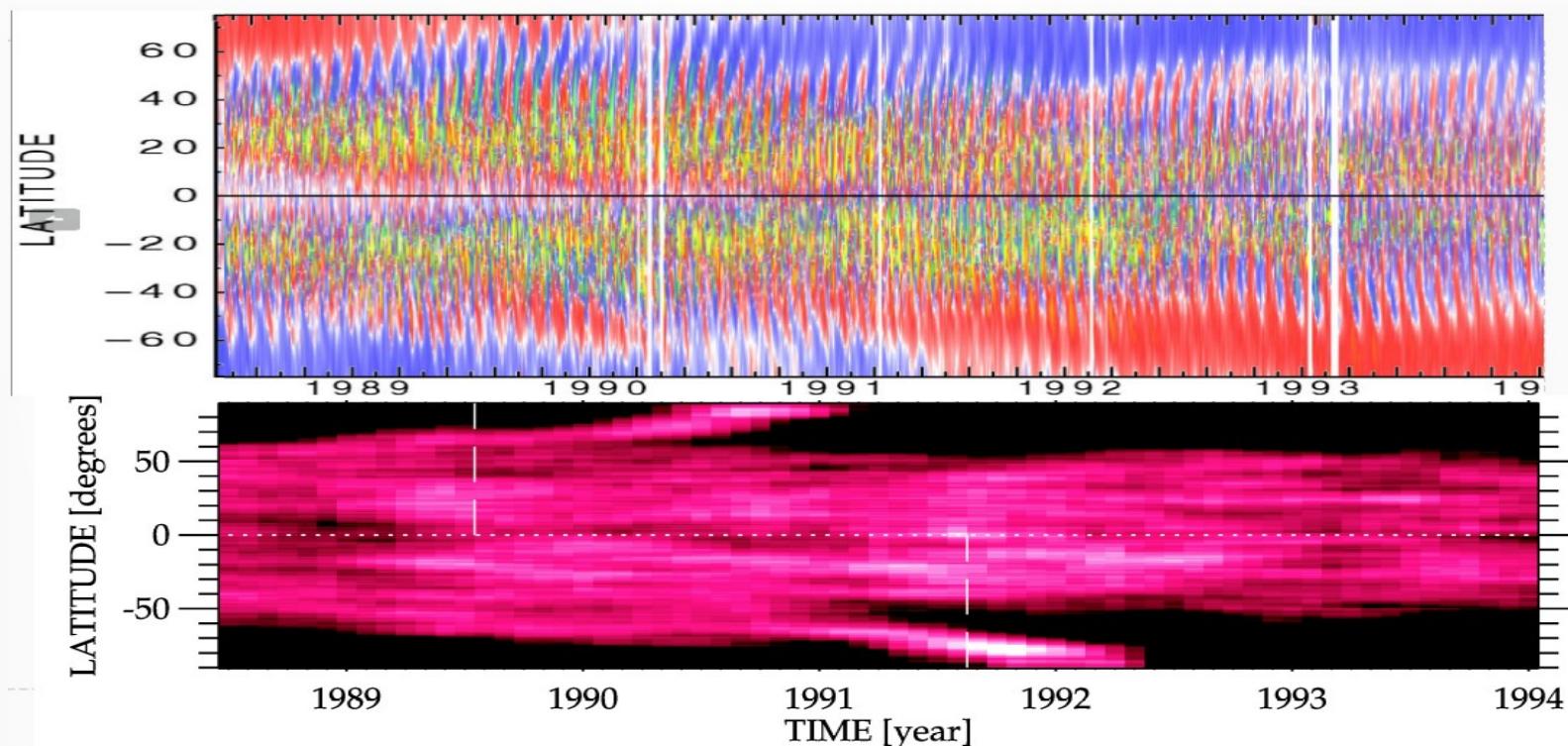






# Polar branches ~ pole MF reversals

- **Our hypothesis** (from the qualitative analysis): the arrival speeds and the arrival speed change are caused by multiple surges of the dispersed magnetic flux → very probably the original concept of the primary and possible (later on appearing) secondary branches is not adequate
- The magnetic field **BKG MF data** to be used for the **quantitative** results



# Summary

- the LSO/KSO catalogue data: close to the final version of the method
- the primary branches and the secondary branches (before/after) primary ones quite clearly detected
- the prominence primary polar branch pole arrival time and the BKG MF pole reversal time in a close relation - to be quantified
- the hypothesis: arrival speed and its change in relation to the surges of the emerging magnetic flux and their dispersion - to be verified by quantitative analysis

# Next?

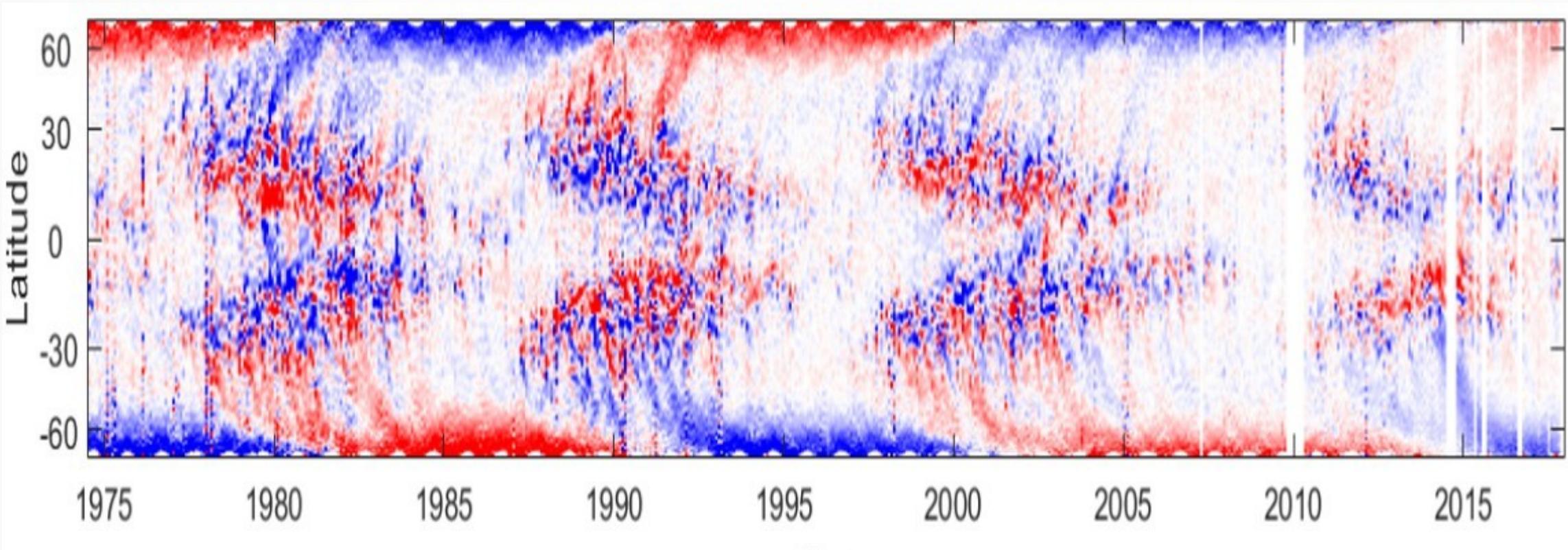
- KSO:
  - continuation of the special „korona“ image acquisition
- LSO:
  - some additional tests of the prominence determination & additional tests of the homogenization improvement fixing the method/codes: January 2023
  - new version of the catalogue after each calendar year
  - PhD student: 2 attempts in 2021 and 2022 failed, new attempt

# Next?

- Verification of our hypothesis by the digital data:
  - The magnetic field BKG data → different types of parameters
  - Quantification the primary and the secondary prominence branches (before/after) primary ones and the BKG MF flux
  - Relations of arrival time/speed on the magnetic flux surges
- Results ob the cycles 21,22,23,24 relations -> the MF reversals in the cycle 20
- Limb prominences ~ disk filaments for different data sets
  - A possible extension for the MF reversals since 1880
  - Another comparisons: velocity fields

# Next?

- **The magnetic field BKG data:** Virtanen, I. and Mursula, K. A&A 626, A67 (2019). data of WSO, the MWO, Kitt Peak, SOLIS/VSM, SOHO/MDI, and SDO/HMI.  
Data range: [-1000,+1000] Gauss

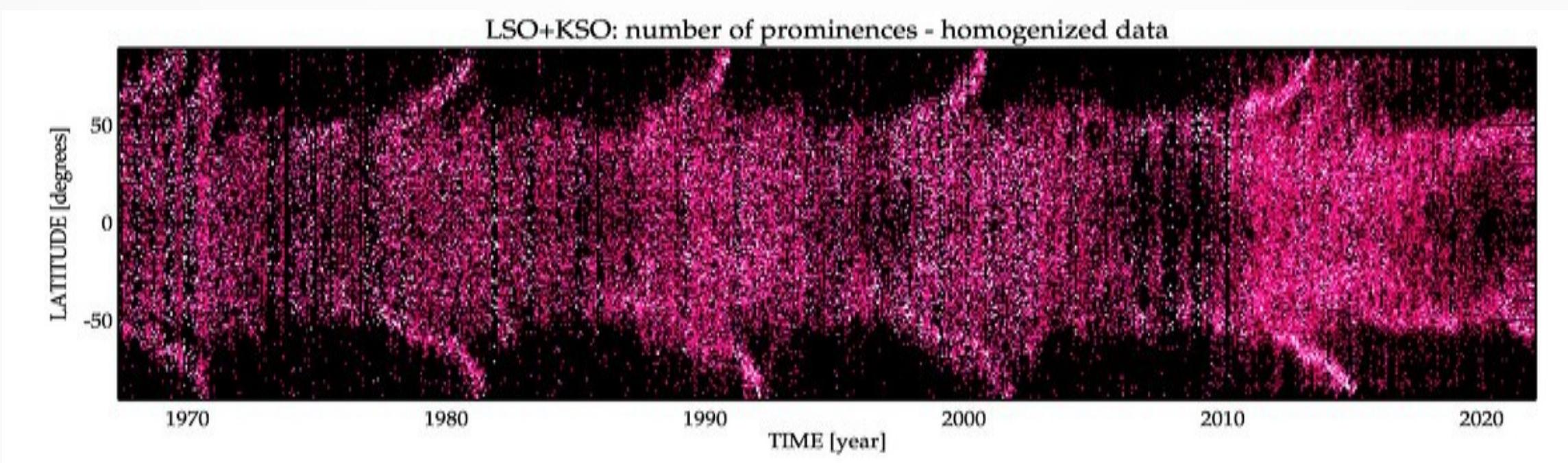


# Contributions of the authors

- **J. Rybák:** the IDL code for automatic determination of the KSO prominence parameters, the LSO+KSO catalogue merging, the regular update of the LSO/KSO catalogue, this presentation
- **V. Rušin:** the PI of the LSO catalogue project, discussions on the LSO catalogue preparations and data
- **P. Gömöry:** the introduction of the “korona” imaging at the KSO
- **M. Morris,** Westminster school, London (UK) - LSO summer intership: prominences ~ MF time-latitude distributions comparison
- **W. Pötzi, D. Baumgartner, H. Freislich, H. Strutzmann:** the KSO observers + KSO data reduction/management
- **A. Veronig:** head of the KSO

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# Next?

- (hemispherically symmetrized) torsional oscillation near the solar surface (Howe et al. 2000, Sci, 287, 2456) -> McIntosh, S. et al., ApJ, 792:12, 2014

