Dynamic fibrils in DOT Hα observations

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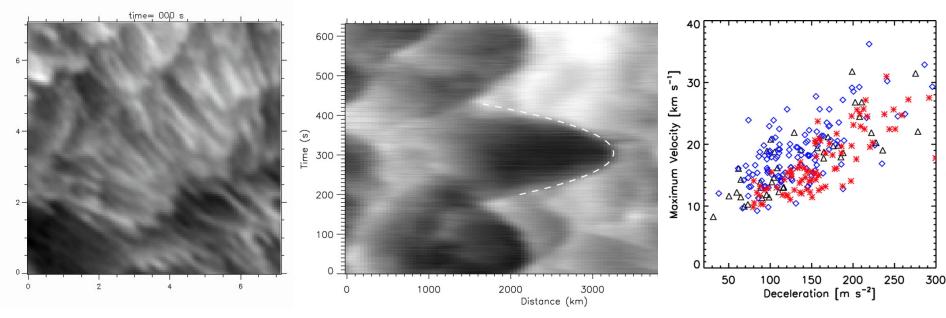




Searching an order in the mess

Dynamic fibrils in $H\alpha$

- extensions and retractions
- parabolic top trajectories
- positive correlation of maximum velocity and deceleration
- field-aligned magnetoacoustic shock excitation



Swedish 1-m Solar Telescope

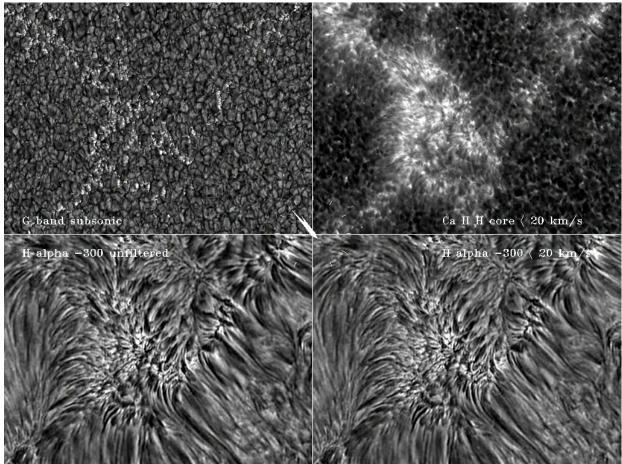
Hansteen et al.: 2006, ApJ, 647, L73, De Pontieu et al.: 2007, ApJ, 655, 624

An aim of this study

To find and study dynamic fibrils in H $\!\alpha$ image sequence obtained by the Dutch Open Telescope (DOT).



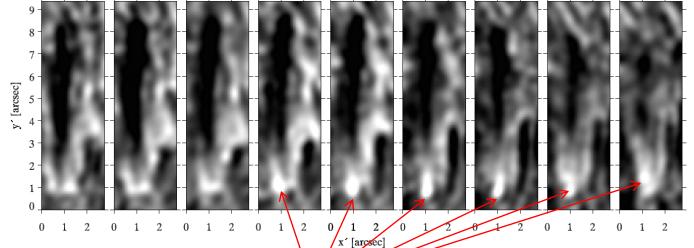
observations on 24 April 2006



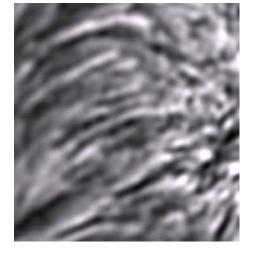
target: observations: field of view: key diagnostics: time resolution: a small plage and network in quiet-Sun area 40° off the disk center 10-min speckle-reconstructed image sequences of 50 images 83 arcsec × 66 arcsec H α images taken by a Lyot filter (FWHM 0.25 Å) at – 0.3 Å off the line center 12 s

$H\alpha$ dynamic fibrils (DFs) in DOT observations





A possible brightening at the fibril's base? $\Delta t = 24 \text{ s}$, fibril's lifetime $\approx 3.5 \text{ min}$



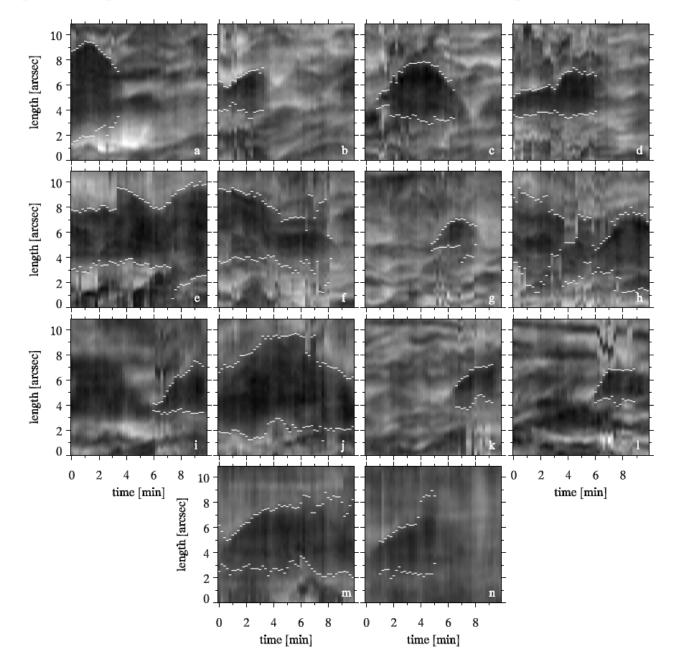
Measurements of DFs:

- 1. top trajectories
- 2. temporal variations in orientation

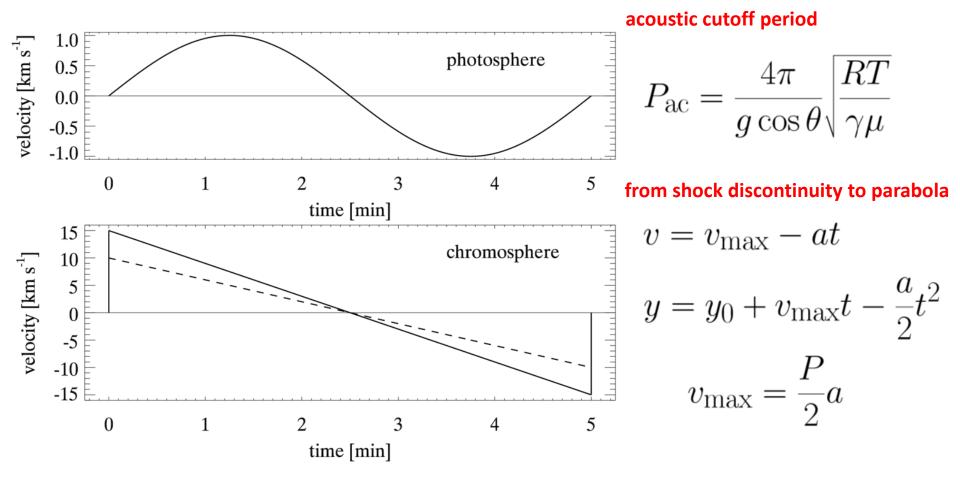


A parallel evolution of two DFs?

Top trajectories of DOT H α dynamic fibrils



N-shaped magnetoacoustic shocks

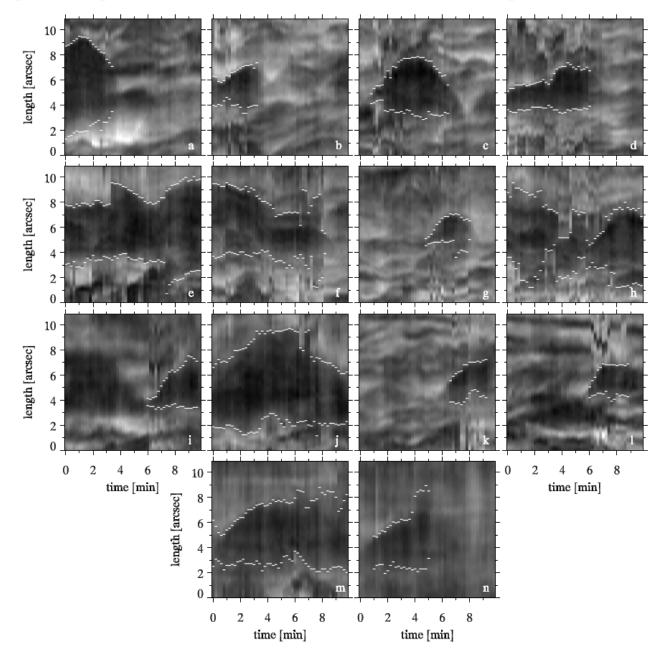


Reduction of the effective gravity $g.\cos\theta$ along inclined magnetic flux tubes:

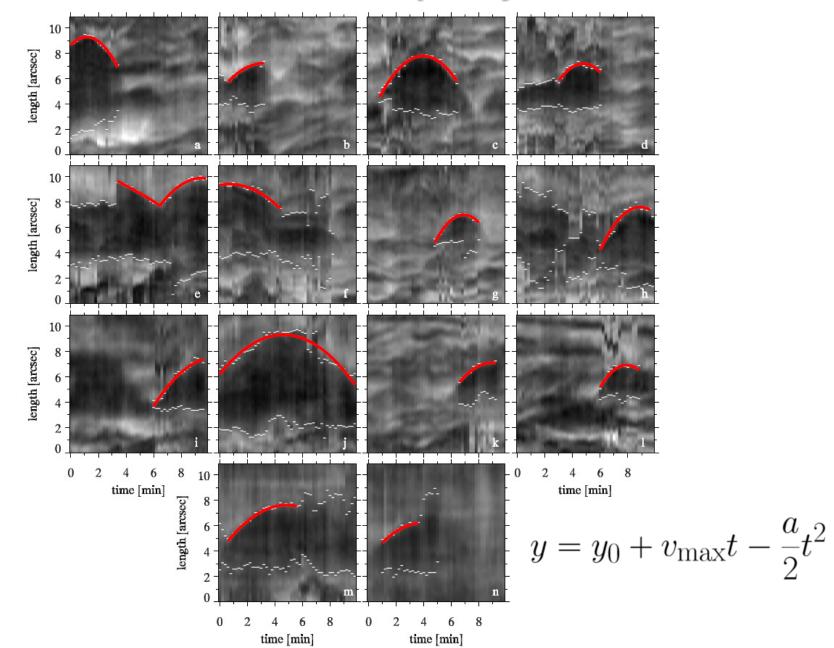
 \Rightarrow increasing of the acoustic cutoff period P_{ac} , *i.e.*, lowering of the cutoff frequency

- ⇒ propagation of p-modes into the chromosphere as N-shaped shocks
- ⇒ lift of the chromosphere-transition region interface seen as a fibril

Top trajectories of DOT H α dynamic fibrils



Parabolic fits of top trajectories



Kinematic characteristics

Positive correlation of the maximum velocity and the deceleration

No correction for projection effects. 40 30 maximum velocity [km s⁻¹] solar gravity 20 10 soundspeed 0 50 100 150 200 250 300 0 deceleration $[m s^{-2}]$ **Dynamic fibrils**

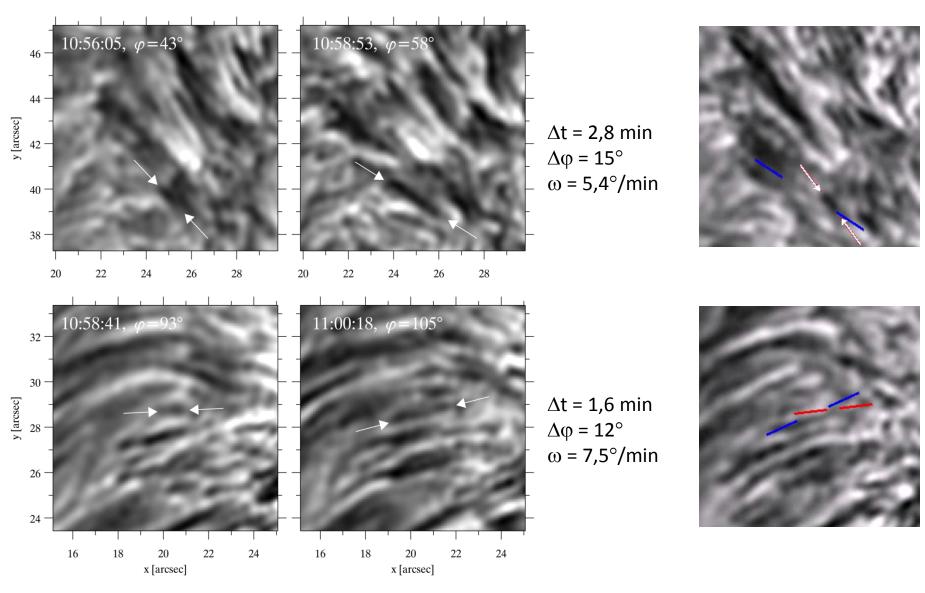
$$v_{\max} = \frac{P}{2}a$$

The linear relationship is free of projection effects.

- *a* deceleration
- $\mathcal{V}_{ ext{max}}$ maximum (or onset) velocity
- P duration of parabolic motion, i.e., lifetime of dynamic fibril

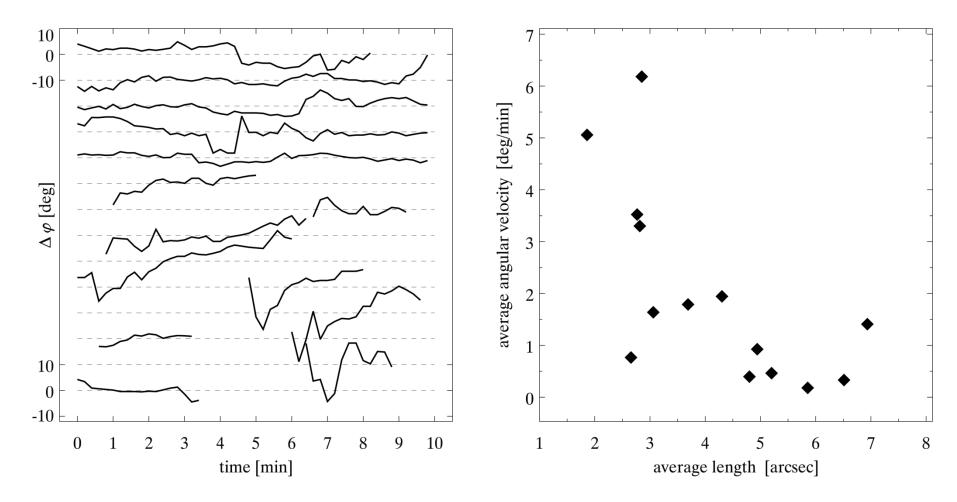
ynamic fibrils - supersonic, average max. velocity \approx 19 km s⁻¹ - sub-ballistic, average deceleration \approx 110 m s⁻²

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- shorter fibrils tend to turn faster than longer ones

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Conclusions

- tops of dynamic fibrils follow parabolic trajectories with:
 - supersonic maximum velocities of \approx 19 km s⁻¹ in average
 - sub-ballistic decelerations of \approx 110 m s⁻² in average
- the positive correlation of maximum velocities and decelerations supports the idea of the magnetoacoustic shock excitation
- temporal variations in orientation indicate turning motions with angular speed of the order of 1 deg min⁻¹
- shorter dynamic fibrils tend to turn faster than longer ones

What next

- to identify counterparts of the H α dynamic fibrils in the Ca II H images
- a need of new fibril measurements both in H α and Ca II H due to different data formats

