



The recent progress of *CHAIN* Project and the method for utilizing its data for Space Weather Prediction

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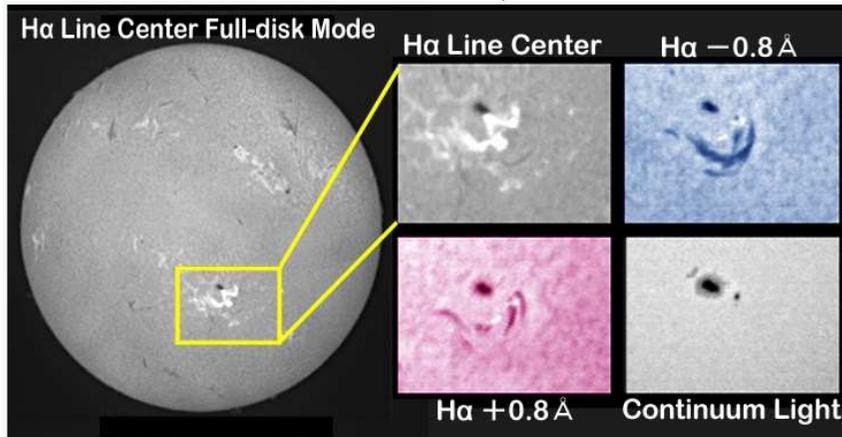
Outline

- I. What is *CHAIN* Project?
- II. 2 characteristics of CHAIN
 1. Scientific aspect
 2. Educational aspect
- III. Application for Space Weather Prediction

I. What is *CHAIN* Project?

Continuous H-Alpha Imaging Network

24 hours every day



Multi-wavelength imaging
around H α line (6563 Å)



A World-wide Network
for coordinated ground-based solar observation

I. What is *CHAIN* Project?



- 3 countries are involved; Peru, Saudi Arabia, and Japan
- In theory, now we can conduct 24-hour solar observation.

II. 2 characteristics of CHAIN

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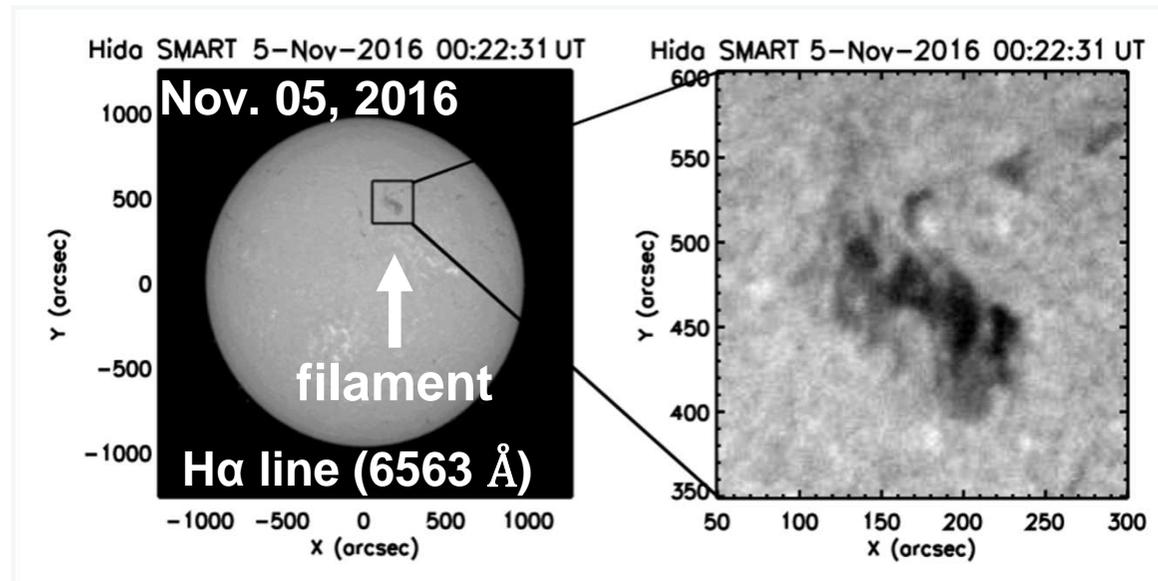
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2. Educational aspect

- Capacity building

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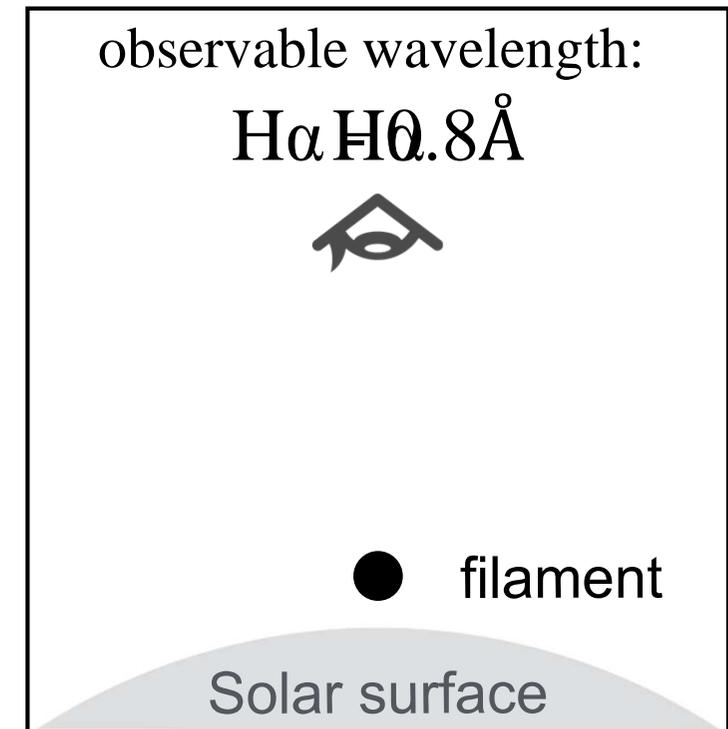
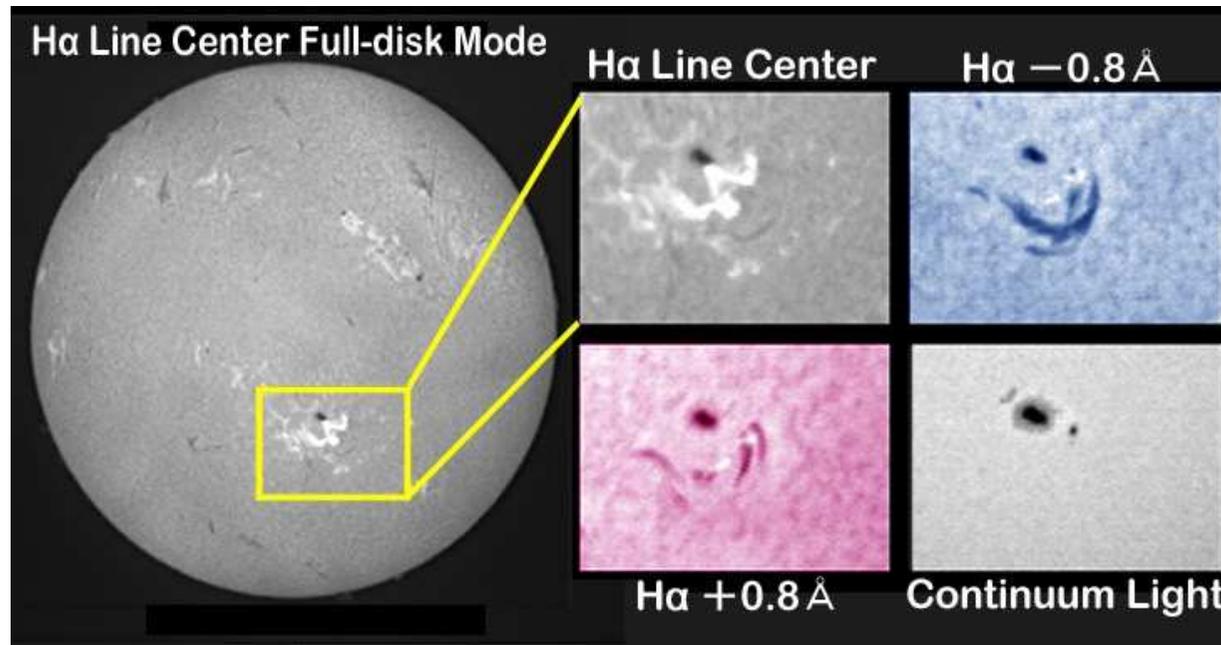
1. Scientific aspect



- Filament is a dense cooler plasma floating in the solar corona supported by magnetic field.
- Filaments can be observed in H α line as the dark feature in the solar disk.
- Associated with solar eruptive phenomena like flares and CMEs, **filaments often erupt.**

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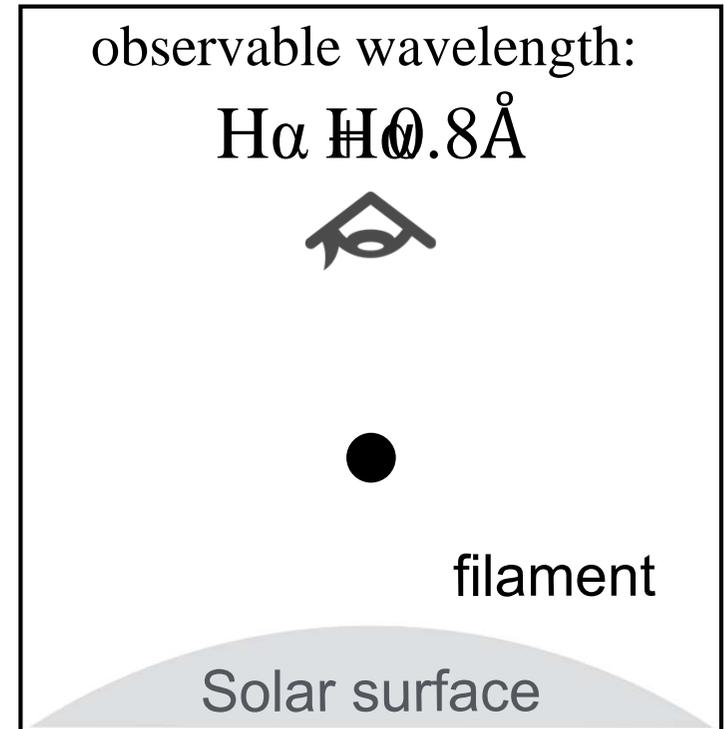
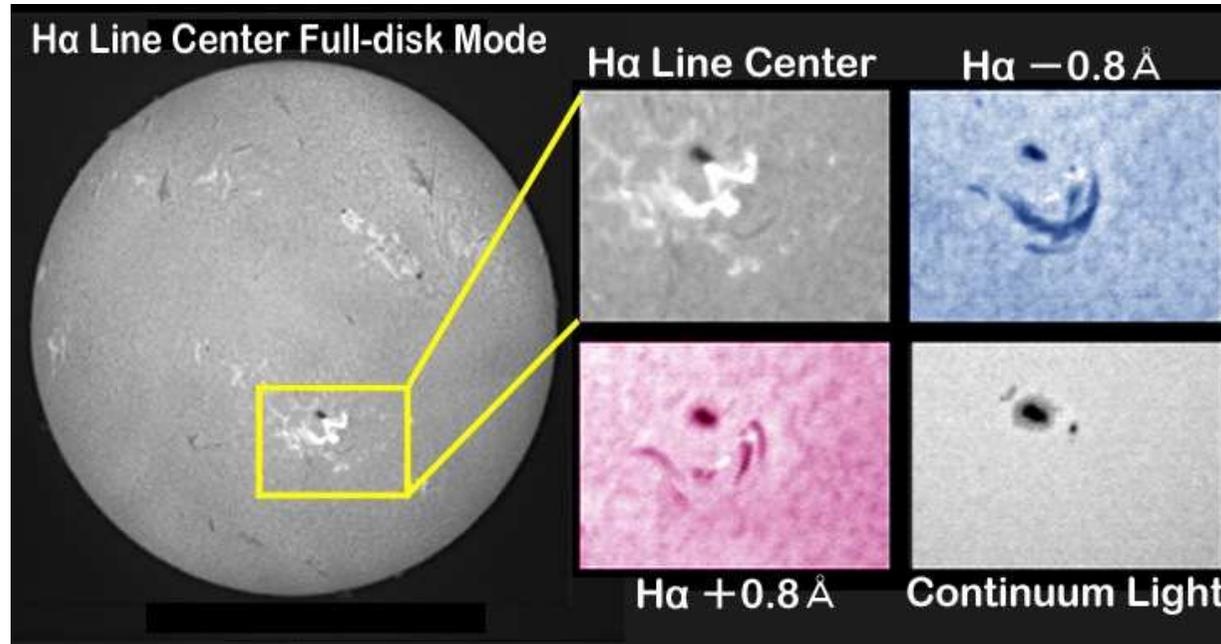
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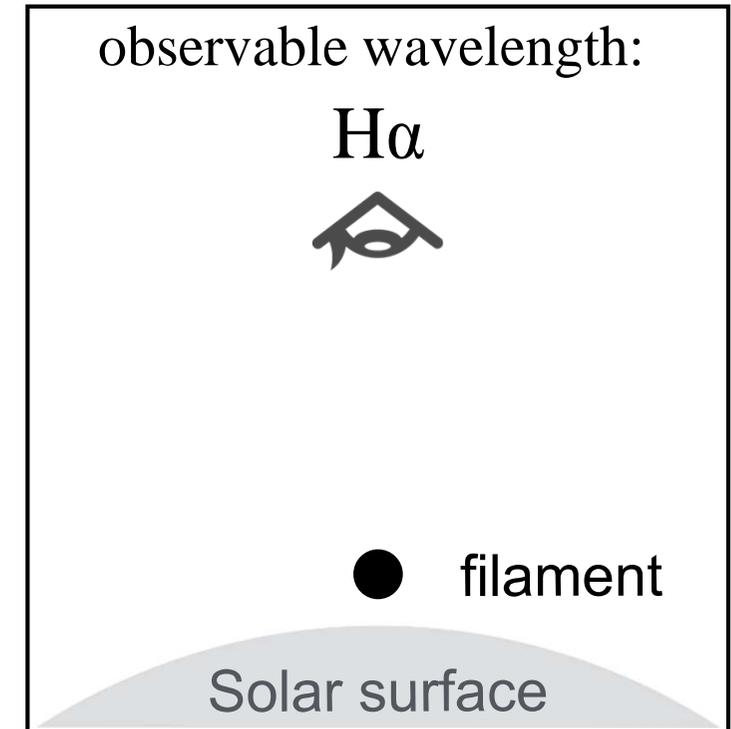
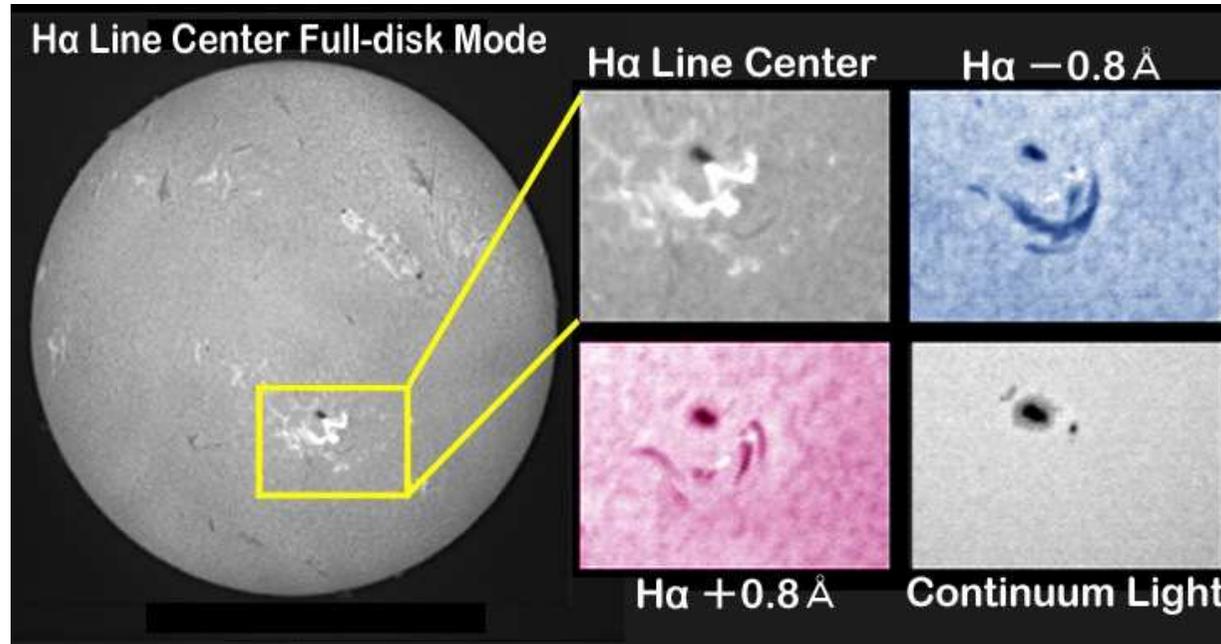
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RECENT PROGRESS:

- **15** peer-review papers related to CHAIN has been published since 2007.
 - ✓ **6** papers: About CHAIN project
 - ✓ **9** papers: Scientific results based on the data of CHAIN
 - ✓ **3** papers: Related to CHAIN in Peru
 - ✓ **1** paper : Related to CHAIN in Algeria

II. 2 characteristics of CHAIN

2. Educational aspect

7 lectures

- Jan. 2007 @ Ica Univ. in Peru
- Jan. 2007 @ IGP in Peru
- May 2008 @ CRAAG in Algeria
- June 2008 @ Ica in Peru
- Mar. 2010 @ Ica in Peru
- May 2011 @ Riyadh in Saudi Arabia
- **Aug. 2015 @ Riyadh in Saudi Arabia**

4 scientific educations

- June 2010 @ Ica Univ. in Peru
- Oct. 2010 @ Ica Univ. in Peru
- Nov. 2010 @ Ica Univ. in Peru
- **Oct. 2015 @ King Saud Univ. in Saudi Arabia**

2 technical trainings

- Jan. 2007 @ Ica Univ. in Peru
- July 2009 @ Hida in Japan

5 scientific data-analysis workshops

- Nov. 2010 @ Ica in Peru
- July 2011 @ Hida in Japan
- Mar. 2013 @ Hida in Japan
- **Mar. 2015 @ Kyoto in Japan**
- **Feb. 2017 @ Kyoto in Japan**



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(Red: Newly held since the previous ISWI symposium)

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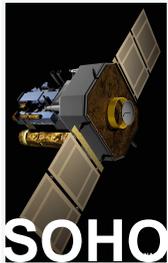
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- **Educating young researcher in Peru**
 - ✓ Young Peruvian researcher (Mr. Cabezas, D. P.) got Japanese Government Scholarship for 2016 to Kyoto University from Apr. 2016 to Mar. 2017.
 - ✓ From Apr. 2017, he has been a graduate student in Ph.D. course and will be a doctor in 3 years (Mar. 2020).
- **Global co-working with CHAIN group.**
 - ✓ Mr. Cabezas, D. P. published his academic paper in the Astrophysical Journal on Feb. 2017.

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 - ❖ However, satellites are vulnerable to the SW_x effects.
 - ❖ If a huge flare happened and almost all the satellites were broken, how could we prepare for the next flare or CMEs...?

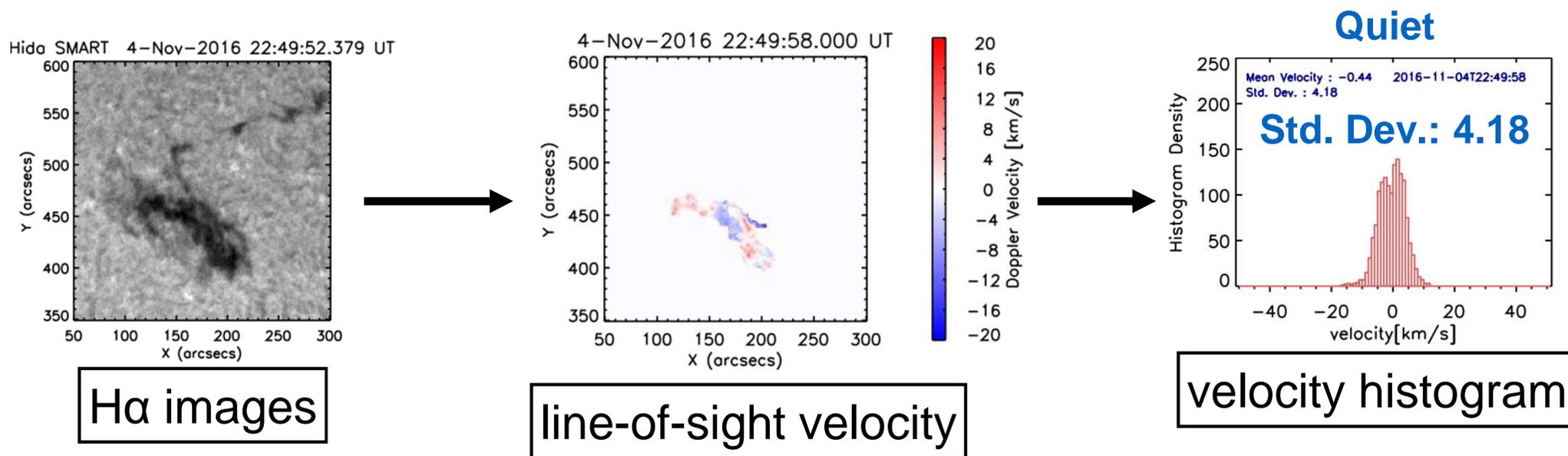


- ★ We think it also important to predict SW_x **only by using the Ground-based telescopes' data.**

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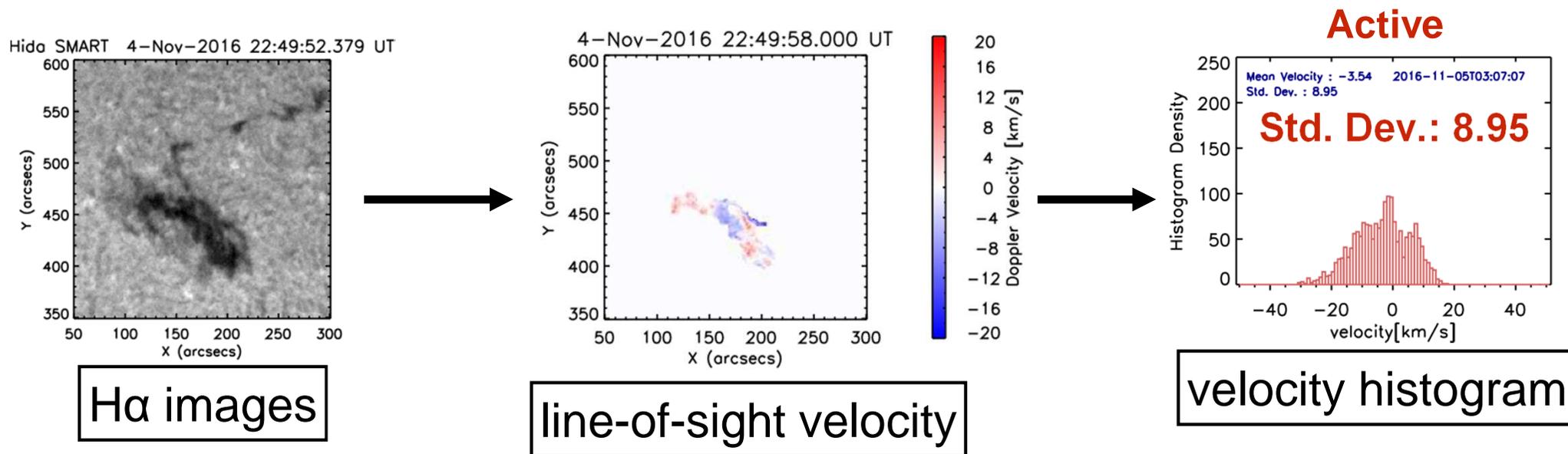
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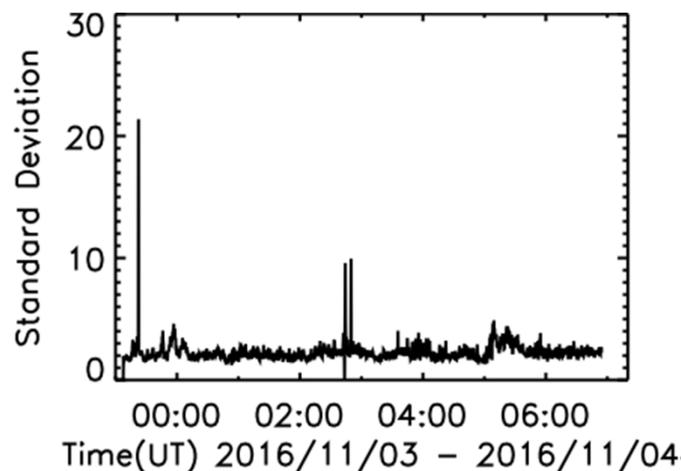
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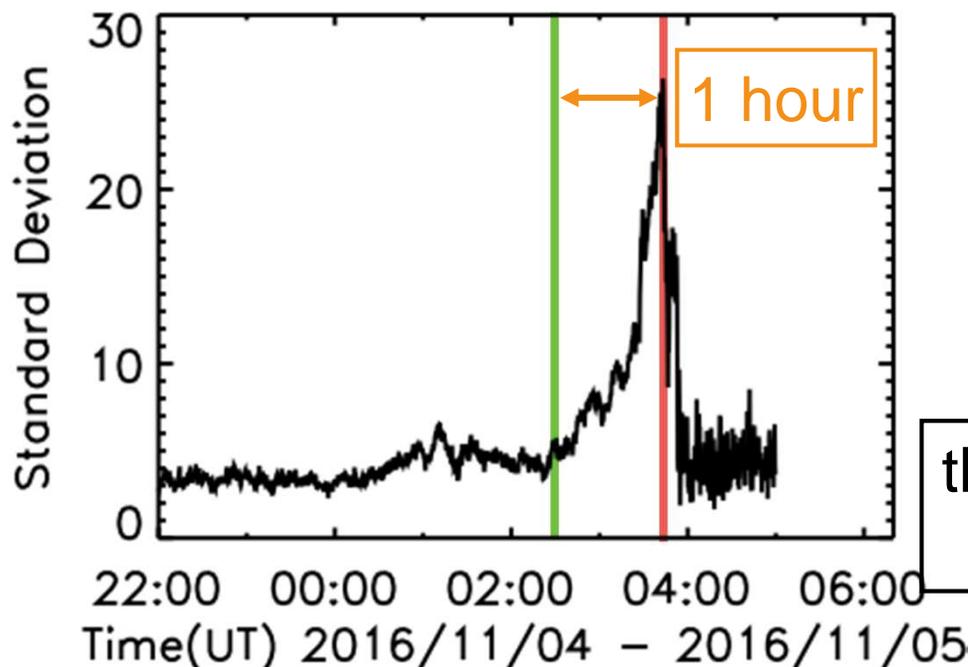
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Previous day



the eruption day

Summary

- I. CHAIN is a world-wide ground-based telescopes' network for observing the sun around H α lines for 24 hours.
- II. 2 characteristics of CHAIN
 1. Scientific aspect
 - CHAIN telescopes observe the sun in **multiple wavelengths around H α** enabling us to **determine line-of-sight velocity of a filament**.
 2. Educational aspect
 - So far we have held **18** lectures, trainings, and workshops.
 - **Young Peruvian researcher** has been working hard and will **get Ph.D.** in 3 years.
- III. Application for Space Weather Prediction
 - Our recent work showed a possibility to **predict a filament eruption** about 1 hour before and may create a new SWx prediction method.

More information:

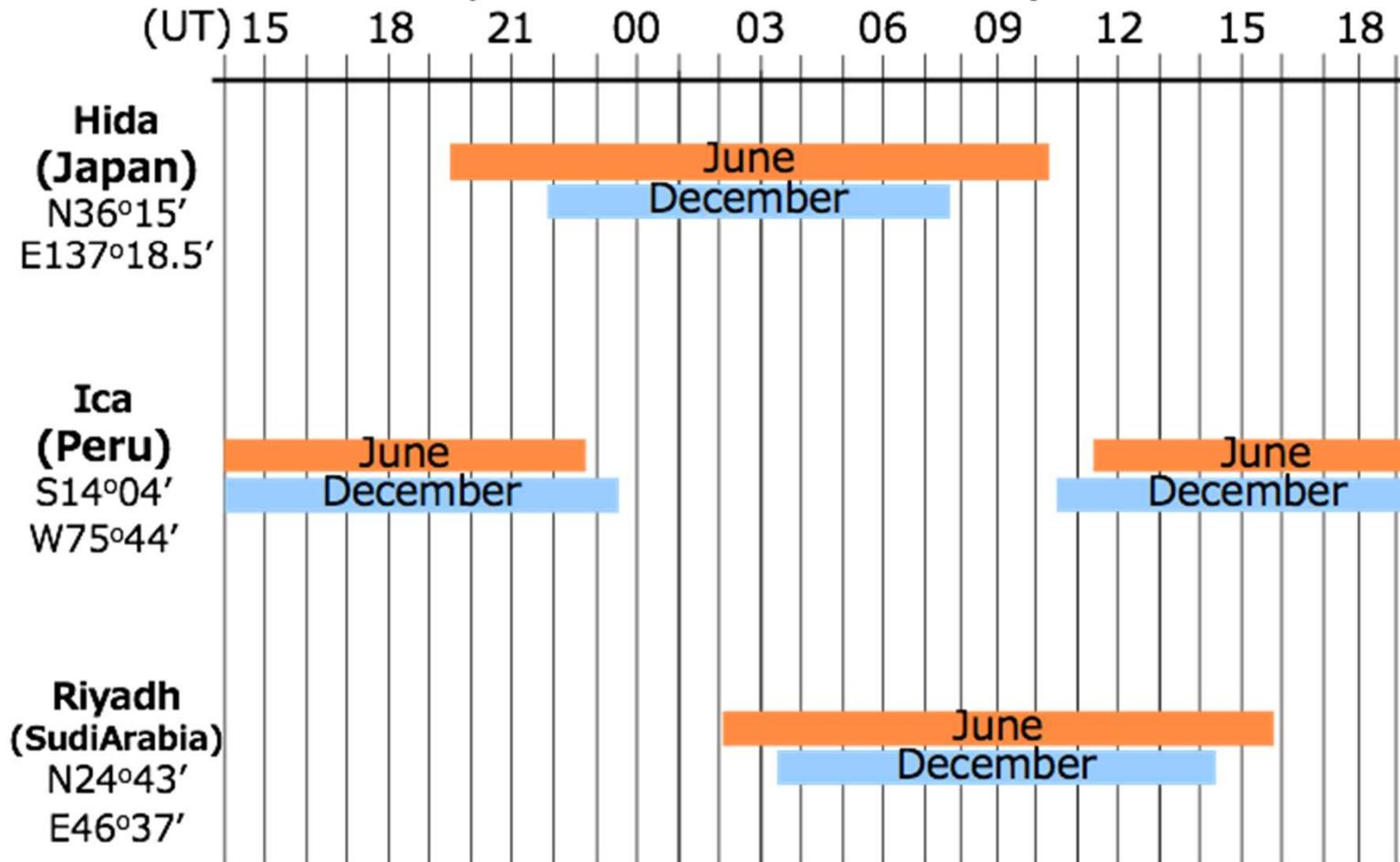
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Appendix

Observable time zone at the 3 sites

(Between sunrise and sunset)



By collaboration of these three stations, we can monitor the Sun for 24 hours continuously without blank time all year round, in principle.

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Cost of a Standard New Telescope without Infrastructure

Items	USD
Telescope itself (1)	250,804
Optical Filters (5)	54,107
CCD Cameras (5)	29,375
Computers for Cameras (5)	10,179
Computer for Analysis (1)	6,161
Transfer & Installation	80,357
Total	430,983

It is not so expensive **compared with** other professional solar telescopes, but it is never cheap.

Appendix

Problems

- **Peru**

- ❖ Short of funds for maintenance

- Personnel expenses

- Fixing air conditioner in the computer room

- Fixing the damaged building by heavy rains

- ❖ Fixing and improving the telescope

- ❖ Low speed of internet

- ➔ It takes more time than observing time to send the observational data for a day.

- **Saudi Arabia**

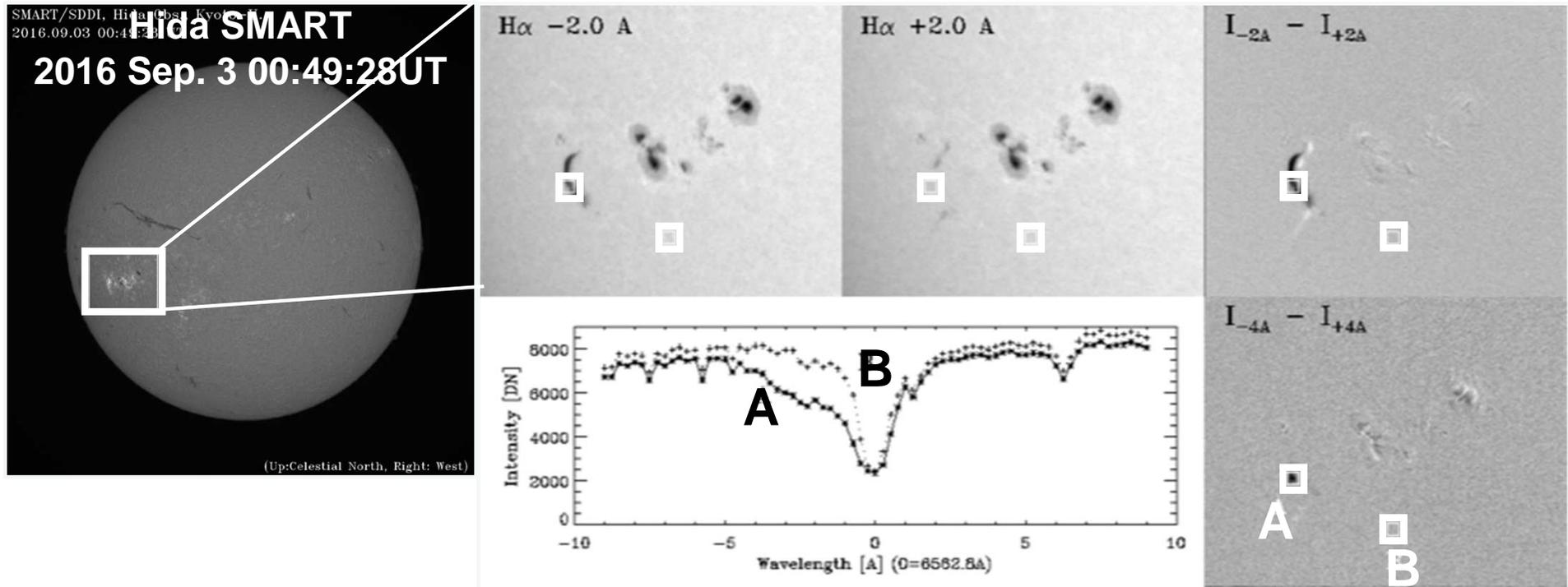
- ❖ High temperature on summer days

- ➔ Affects the observational wavelength.

etc...

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Beckers' cloud model (Beckers 1964)



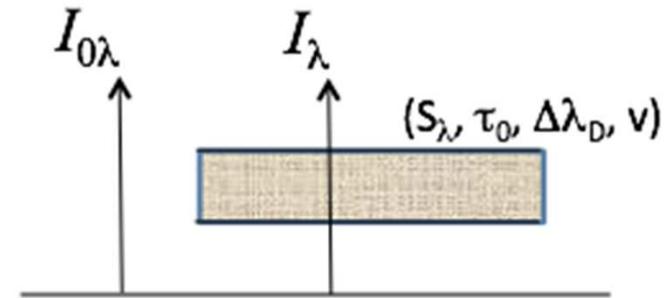
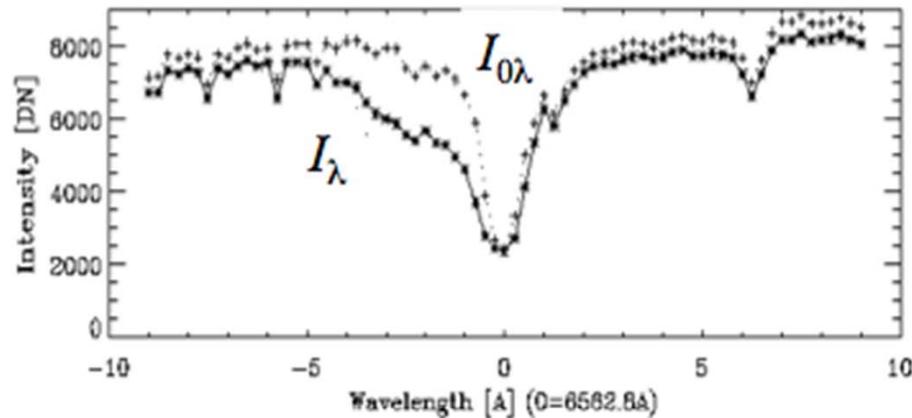
✂ Actually **B** is the average of the 10x10 pixels at the disk center.

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I_λ : intensity of A in the previous slide

$I_{0\lambda}$: intensity of B in the previous slide



Beckers' cloud model

$$C_\lambda = \frac{I_\lambda - I_{0\lambda}}{I_{0\lambda}} = \left(\frac{S_\lambda}{I_{0\lambda}} - 1 \right) \left(1 - e^{-\tau_\lambda} \right)$$

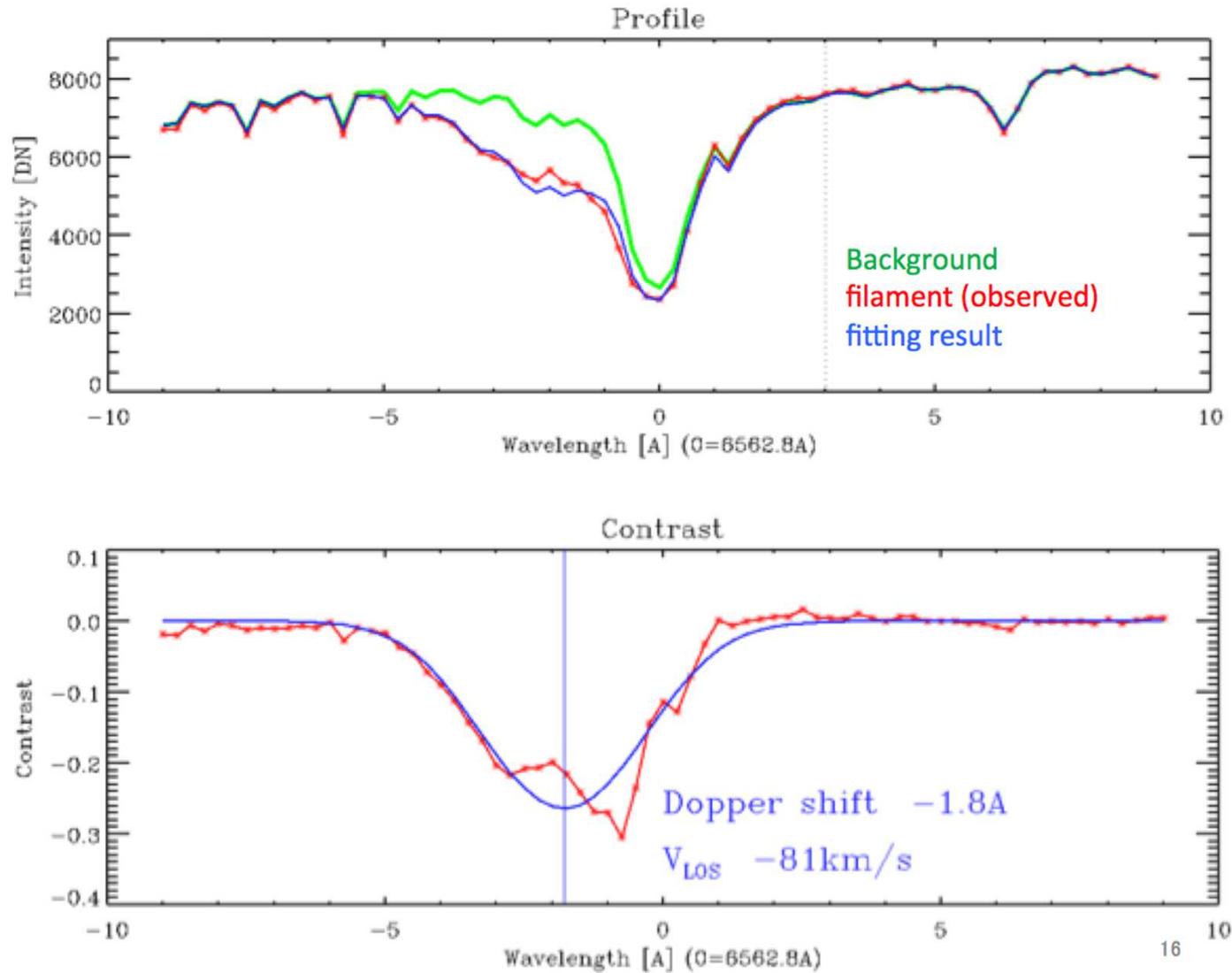
: Contrast function

$$\tau_\lambda = \tau_0 \exp \left[- \left(\frac{(1 - v/c)\lambda - \lambda_0}{\Delta\lambda_D} \right)^2 \right]$$

□ : fitting parameters

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