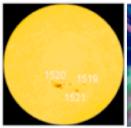
## **SWWT Topical Group: Drivers of Space Weather -Solar Magnetic Topology**

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July 12, 2012 SDO/HMI



Sigmoid, July 12,16.14 UT SDO/HMI



X1.4 solar flare, July 12, 16.43 UT SDO/HMI

CME, July 12, 17.12 UT CME, July 23, 05.30 UT

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Moderate solar storm

SOHO/LASCO C3 Extreme solar storm on far side

## Goal of the research

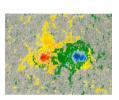
 to improve warnings and forecasts of severe to extreme solar storms

## Questions we address

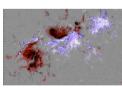
- How to topologically define a solar storm?
- How to topologically model a solar storm?
- How to understand an extreme solar storm based on historical and recent SDO observations and topologically model it?

Recent visits: Stanford SDO solar group and annual RWC/ISES meeting in Boulder.

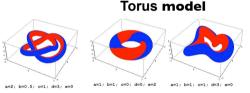
**Upcoming presentation: Three Extreme Solar** Storms and a Model (submitted to ESWW, 2013).



**SDO LOS** magnetogram

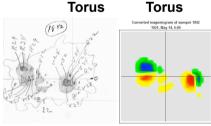


SDO vector magnetogram



SOHO/LASCO C2

**Twisted** 3 - Linked



**Mount Wilson** magnetogram 14 May 1921



Simulated magnetograms based on crosssections of a torus

Converted to SDO type magnetogram 14 May 1921

Upcoming workshop: Extreme Solar Storms: Observations, Models and Warnings, May/June 2014 in Lund

Collaborations: Solar SDO group at Stanford University, CA and Center for Mathematical Sciences, Lund University.

Funded by: Swedish Institute of Space Physics (IRF), Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB) (research project: "Solar storms and space weather") and two new research proposals have been submitted; one to Swedish National Space Board and one to the Swedish Foundation of Strategic Research (Applied Mathematics)