Group C: Magnetic Fields

Topics discussed

- Global dipole tilt angles
- Ephemeral region emergence rates
- Magnetogram calibration issues
- Chromospheric fields (with Group H)
- Loops from EIS (with Group I)
- Filament models (with Group J)

Surface Measurements as Dynamo Indicators

 Location of spots at onset of Cycle 23 maps out an m=1 mode



Surface Measurements as Dynamo Indicators

Measured ER

 emergence rate
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Tipped toroidal bands

- Dipole tipped, even at solar minimum
- Tipping likely influenced by interior
- Hemispheric flux asymmetry
- Sector boundary skirt pattern
- Insight into global dynamo?

Ephemeral region emergence

- Measured ER emergence rate is lower in unipolar regions than in mixed-polarity regions
- Indicative of what?
 - Lower lifetimes/faster collision frequencies in unipolar regions
 - Dynamo producing fewer ERs?
 - ERs get wiped out before reaching surface?
- Also some indications that emergence rates vary with cycle (max in ER occur a few years after solar max)

Improving coronal field models

- PFSS models (use line-of-sight field measurements)
- NLFFF and MHD models (use vector field measurements)

Magnetogram measurements

- LOS magentograms have uncertainties that might affect, e.g., N.Arge's solar wind forecasting efforts.
- Photospheric vector-field measurements are hard to use for coronal field models given the difficulties in adequately model the chromosphere
- Chromospheric vector-field measurements are possible in e.g., He I and Mg II, but still problematic to interpret given complicated line-formation characteristics of these lines.

Magnetogram measurements

