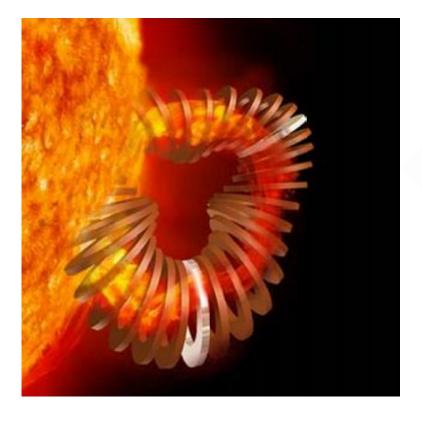
Formation and Properties of the Flux Rope

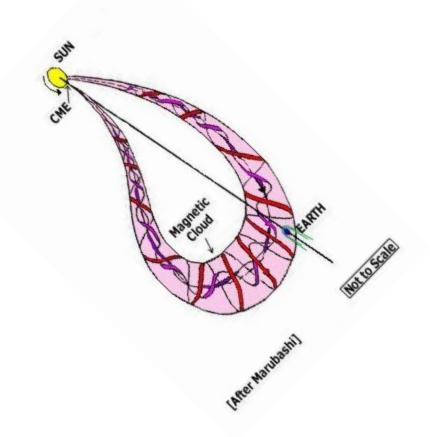
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Part 1.1 - Introduction





- Q1. How does the flux rope form?
- Q2. The properties of twist in different parts of a flux rope

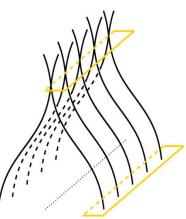
Part 1.2 - Q1 : How does the flux rope form?

- 1. How does a flux rope form?
 - I. Pre-existing rope
 - II. In-situ formed rope by reconnection
 - III. Pre-existing + reconnection



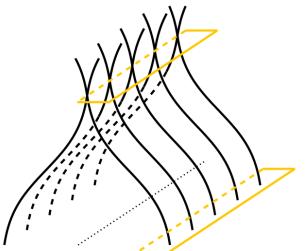
- (1) self-reconnection
- (2) zipper-reconnection
- (3) two-line reconnection
- (4) zipper reconnection
 - + main-phase reconnection
 (two-line reconnection)
- Flux rope formed by different ways of reconnection, the poloidal flux and toroidal flux in flux ropes have different relationships with reconnection flux injected in flux ropes.
- 3. How to find these relationships?

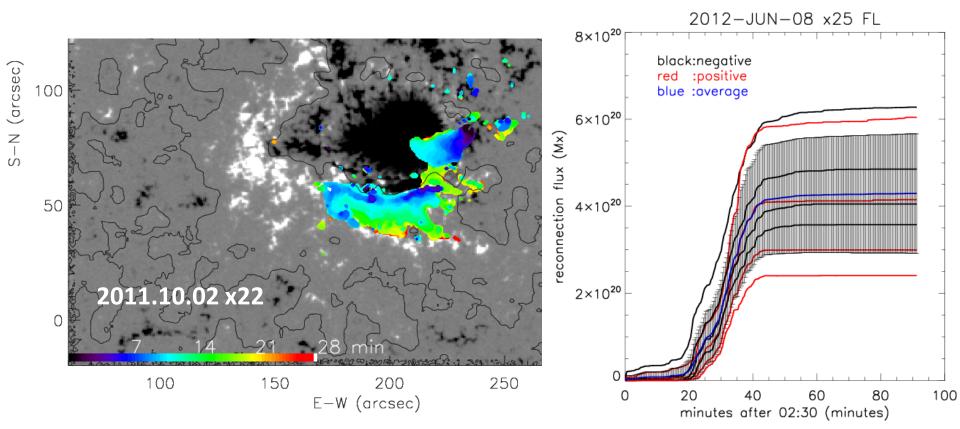
$$\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{r}, \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{p}, \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{t}$$



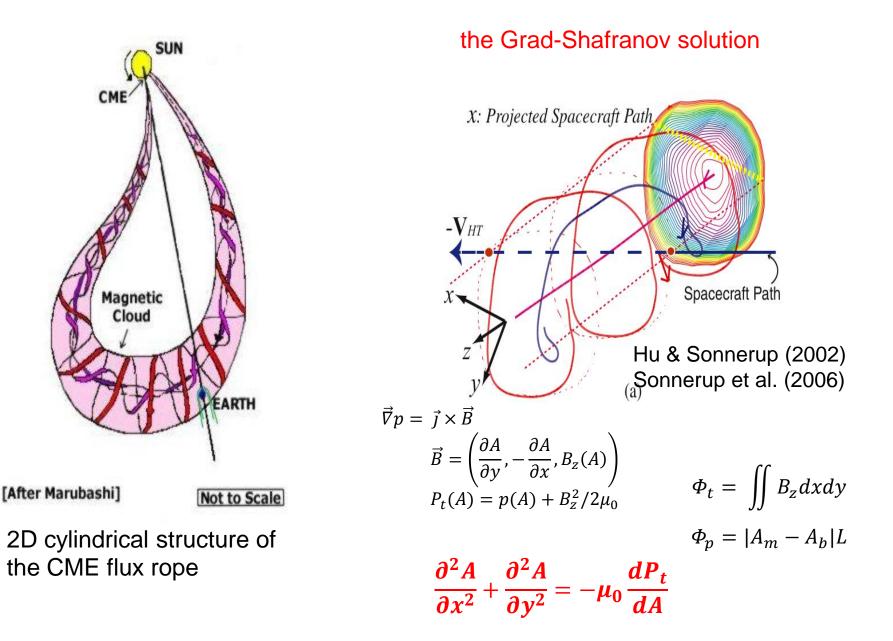
Part 2.1 - Q1 : Measure flux in flare ribbon

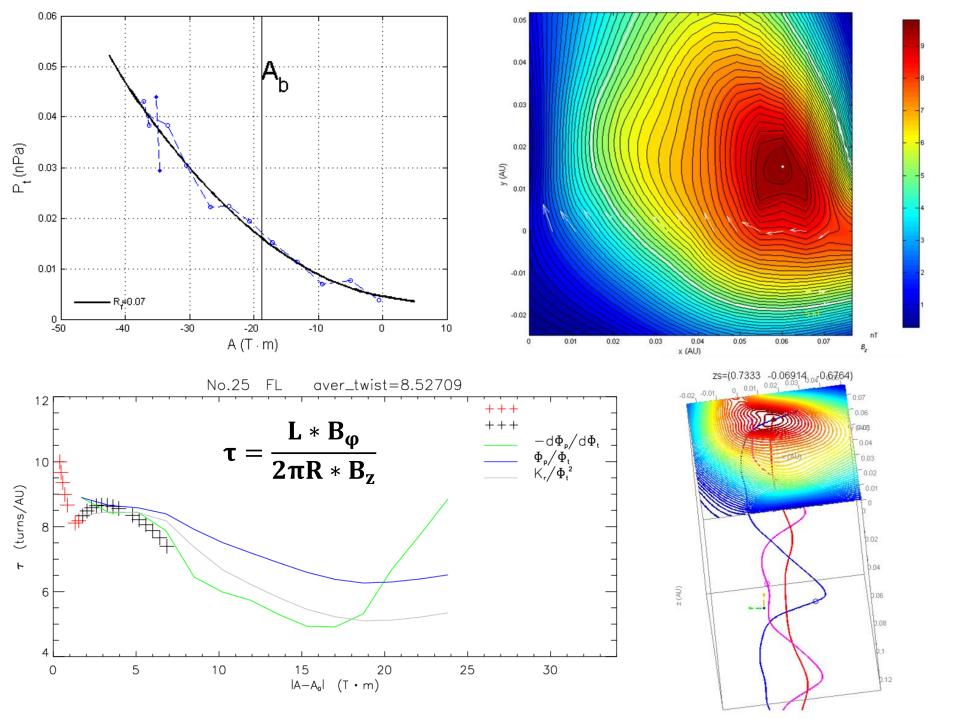
$$\Phi_B = \int B_{in} \, dA_{in} = \int B_R \, dA_R$$



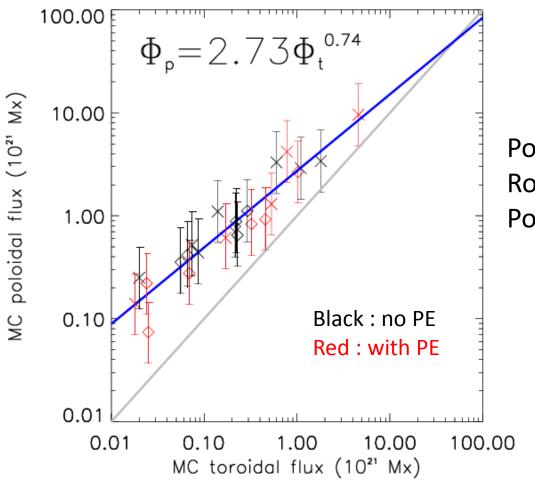


Part 2.2 - Q1 : Measure flux in magnetic cloud



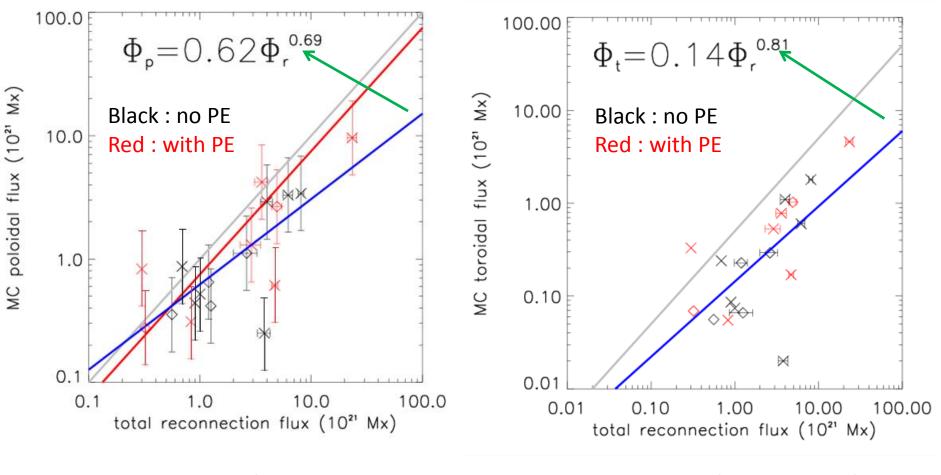


Part 3.1 - Q1 : Poloidal_flx-Toroidal_flx



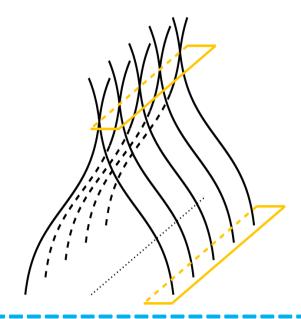
Poloidal_flx : per AU Rope length : 0.5~2 AU Poloidal_flx Value range : 0.5~2 * [poloidal_flx (1 AU)]

Part 3.2 - Q1 : Poloidal_flx-Reconnect_flx & Toroidal_flx-Reconnect_flx



grey : po_flx/reco_flx=1
red : po_flx/reco_flx=3/4
blue : data fit line

grey : to_flx/reco_flx=1/2 blue : data fit line Part 3.3 - Q1 : Different ways of reconnection

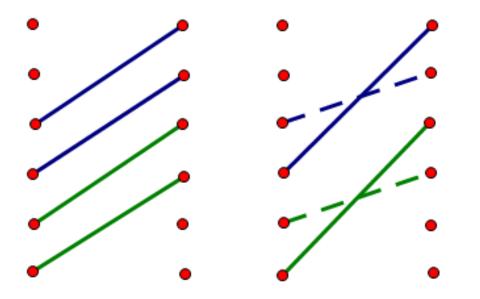


$$\Phi_p = (\Phi_p)_0 + \Phi_n$$
$$\Phi_t = (\Phi_t)_0$$

(2) zipper-reconnection 2.5D

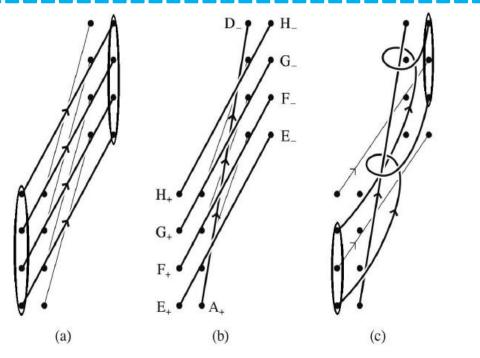
If reconnection happen f times along PIL,

$$\begin{split} \Phi_p &= (\Phi_p)_0 + \frac{f + 0.5}{f + 1} \Phi_r \\ \Phi_t &= (\Phi_t)_0 + \frac{1}{f + 1} \Phi_r \end{split}$$



(3) two-line reconnection 2.5D

$$\Phi_p = (\Phi_p)_0 + \frac{3}{4} \Phi_r$$
$$\Phi_t = (\Phi_t)_0 + \frac{1}{2} \Phi_r$$

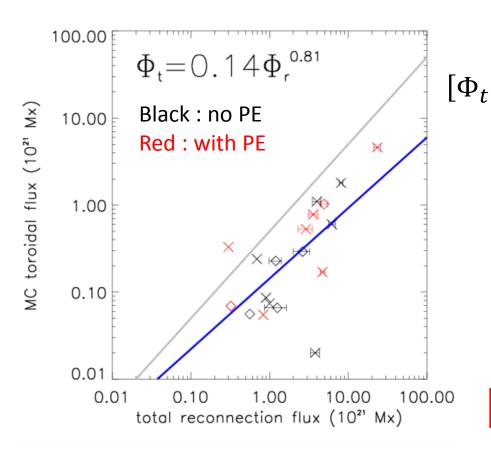


 (4) zipper-reconnection 2.5D
 + main-phase reconnection (two-line reconnection)

$$\Phi_r = \Phi_z + \Phi_m$$

$$\Phi_p = (\Phi_p)_0 + \frac{f + 0.5}{f + 1} \Phi_z + \frac{3}{4} \Phi_m$$
$$\Phi_t = (\Phi_t)_0 + \frac{1}{f + 1} \Phi_z + \frac{1}{2} \Phi_m$$

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Part 3.4 - Q1 : Analysis
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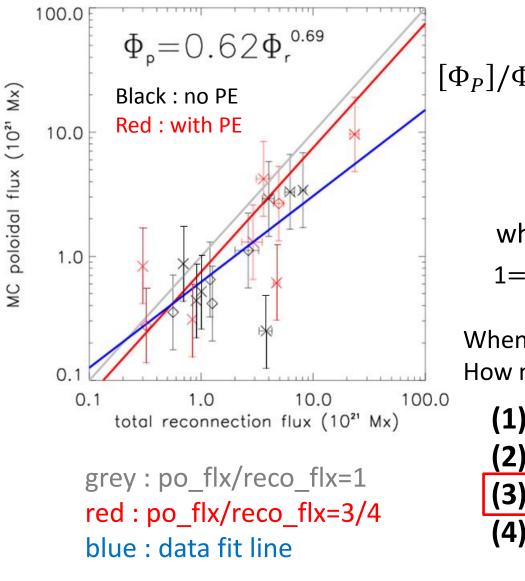
grey : to_flx/reco_flx=1/2
blue : data fit line

$$]/\Phi_{r} \ge [\Phi_{t} - (\Phi_{t})_{0}]/\Phi_{r} = - \begin{cases} V1 & (1) \\ V2 & (2) \\ V3 & (3) \\ V4 & (4) \end{cases}$$

when
$$f > 1$$

 $\frac{1}{2} = V3 > V4 > V2 > V1 = 0$

+ main-phase reconnection (two-line reconnection)



$$\Phi_r \ge [\Phi_P - (\Phi_P)_0] / \Phi_r = - \begin{cases} R1 & (1) \\ R2 & (2) \\ R3 & (3) \\ R4 & (4) \end{cases}$$

when f > 11= R1 > R2 > R4 > R3 = 3/4

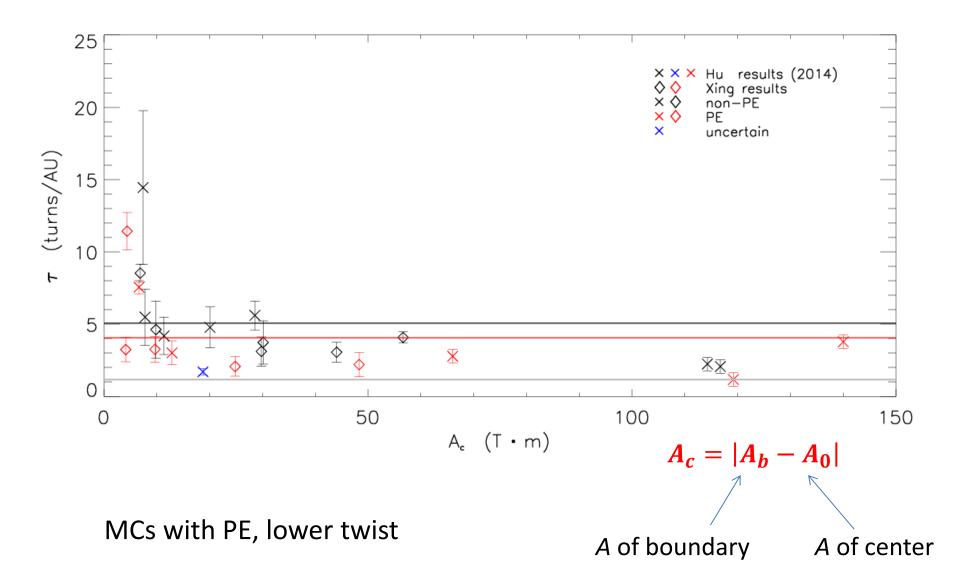
When assume flux rope length is 2 AU, How may cases can lie above the ratio line?

(1) self-reconnection 52%
(2) zipper-reconnection 79%
(3) two-line reconnection 79%
(4) zipper-reconnection + main-phase reconnection (two-line reconnection)

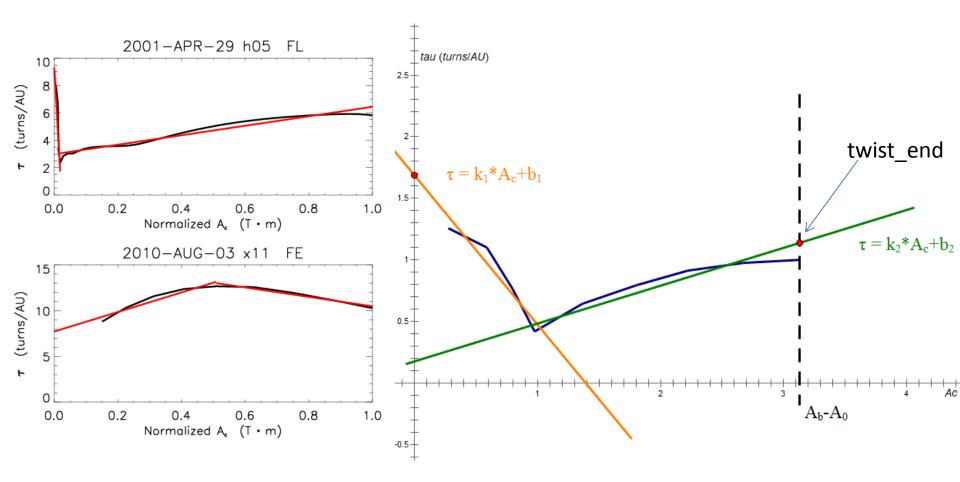
Part 3.5 - Q1 : Conclusions

- The pre-existing rope doesn't contribute much to flux of the flux rope since cases' poloidal flux don't lie much above the lowest line (3/4 line) even we assume the flux rope length is 2AU.
- 2. 2D model, <u>self-reconnection (1)</u>, its toroidal flux all come from the pre-existing rope, which means that may also exist a high $(\Phi_p)_0$, but this doesn't agree with the real fact. Model 1 may be wrong.
- 3. From view of toroidal_flx-reconnect_flx, model 2 fits data best. From view of poloidal_flx-reconnect_flx, model 3 fits data best.
- 4. Actually, <u>zipper-reconnection (2)</u> and <u>two-line reconnection (3)</u> are specialization of <u>model (4) : zipper+main-phase</u> (set phi-m to 0 or phi-z to 0). Model 4 may fit the data.

Part 4.1 - Q2 : Average twist

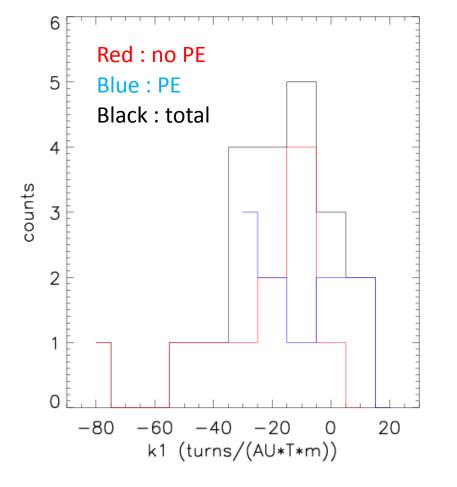


Part 4.2 - Q2 : Twist distribution curve



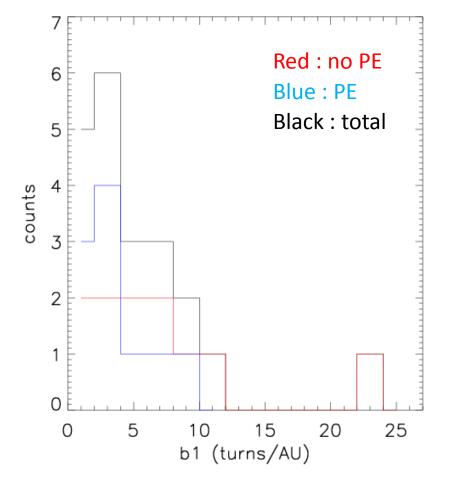
- k1: it describes how twist distributes in the core of MCs
- b1: the twist of the core of MCs

k2 : it describes how twist distributes in the outer layer of MCs twist_end: the twist of boundary of MCs



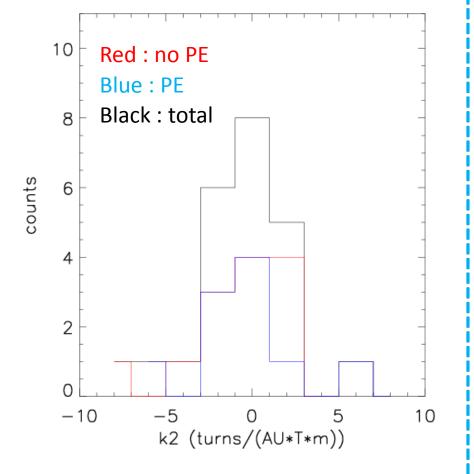
Conclusion 1 : the core, a decrease distribution

k1: it describes how twist distributes in the core of MCs



Conclusion 2 : the twist of the core, 2-8 turns/AU; MCs with PE, with a lower-twist core

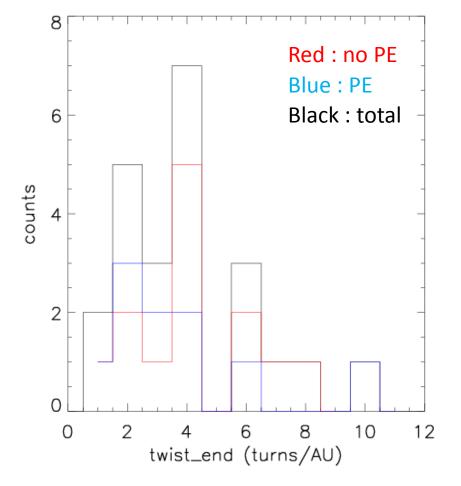
b1: the twist of the core of MCs



Conclusion 3 :

the outer layer, a flat distribution, close to uniform twist

k2 : it describes how twist distributes in the outer layer of MCs



Conclusion 4: the twist of outer layer, 2-4 turns/AU

twist_end : the twist of boundary of MCs

Part 5 - Q2 : Conclusions

- Twist of flux rope with PE is lower than that without PE. For cases with PE, a lower-twist core may contribute to this.
- Most twist distribution curves include a decreasing part and a flat part, infer that there exist a pre-existing rope as core and an uniform-twist outer layer, both for cases with and without PE.
- Twist of flux rope's core is about 2-8 turns per AU. When it is close to flux rope's boundary, the twist is about 2-4 turns per AU. (Compared to Eric Priest's twist model : core-twist is about 4 turns/AU, boundary-twist is about 3.5 turns/AU.)

Thank you for listening!