



*The community-developed,  
free and open-source solar data analysis  
environment for Python.*

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# SunPy

## What is SunPy?



*The SunPy project facilitates and promotes the use and development of several community-led, free, and open source data analysis software packages for solar physics based on the scientific Python environment.*

### Functionality

- Provide Python tools specific to solar data analysis - gateway into ecosystem
- Focus on calibrated high level data
- Leverage mature and maintained code from other field (e.g. `astropy`) 
- Support other solar packages (affiliated) outside the scope of SunPy core

### Cultural

- Open-source community and inclusive of everyone (anyone can contribute!)
- Coordinate development
- Code testing and code review
- Version control
- Standardized and discoverable documentation

# SunPy Organization

The SunPy Community



## SunPy Board

Up-to 10 people, guides overall direction of sunpy project by voting on SunPy Enhancement Proposals (SEPs) - anyone can propose

## Lead-Developer

Leads development core team and community developers and affiliated packages

## Deputy Lead-Developer

Assists lead developer

## Sub-package maintainers

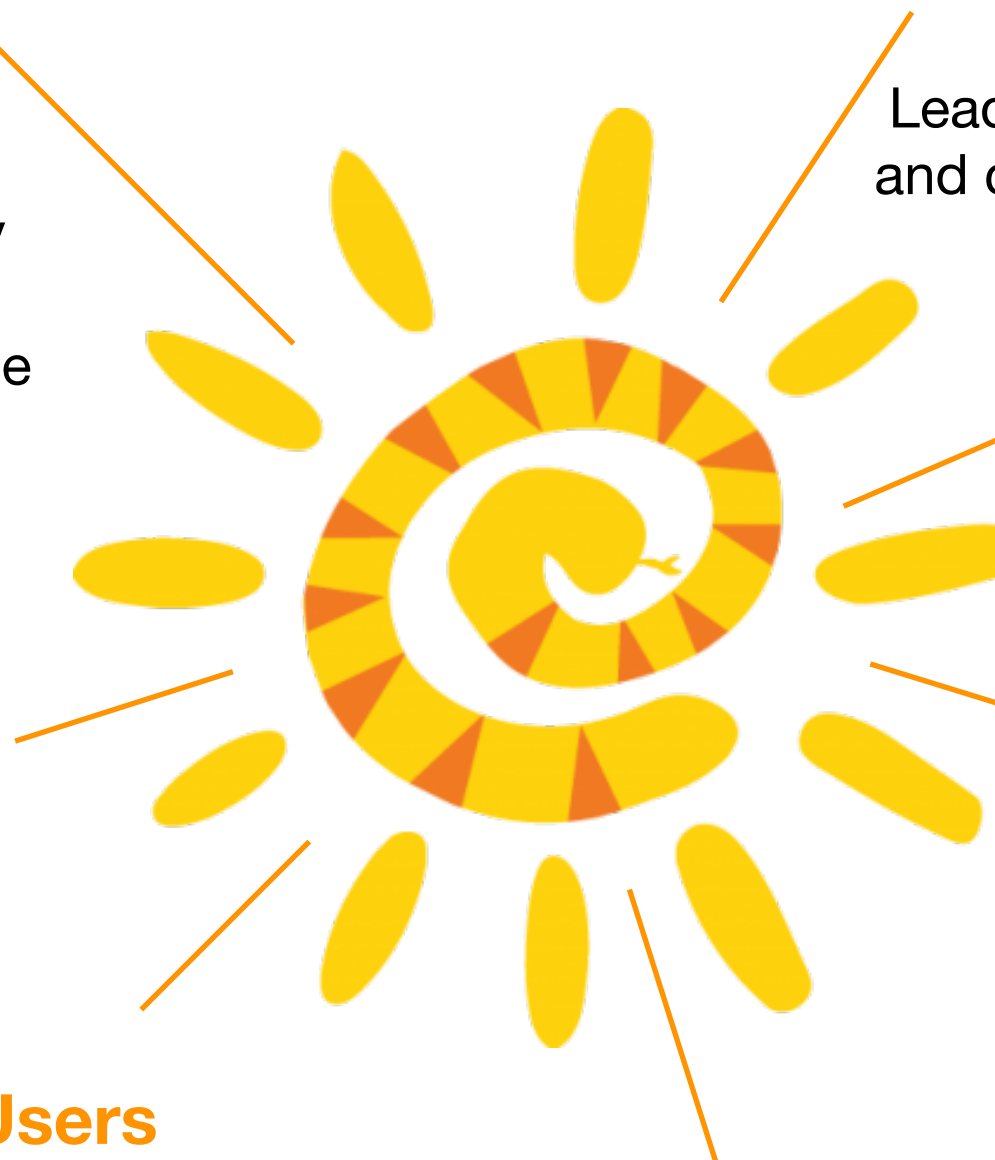
Assist lead devs with maintaining sub-packages

## Community Developers

## Users

## Community Roles

## Summer of Code students



<https://sunpy.org/project/>



# Contributing to SunPy

What does this look like?

**Anyone can contribute!** 🌞

**Doesn't have to just be code!** - raising bugs/issues, providing feedback and suggestions, requesting features etc.

Lots of assistance given to newcomers!

Guidelines in place to ensure new code meets quality standard:

## Style Guide

All code and docs must comply with widely used style guides (e.g. Pep8)

## Docs

New features require documentation - code comments, docstrings and guide, examples

## Unit tests

All code must provide unit tests that cover functionality

## Within Scope

All code must be within scope and approved by at least 2 members of dev community


Automated testing on GitHub (incl. different op systems, building docs, plots, code-coverage etc).  
Use of Azure, CircleCI, Codecov and Travis CI

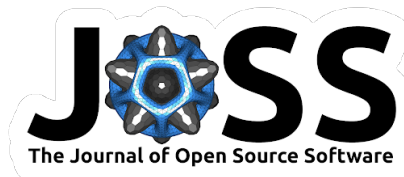




# Where is SunPy now?

## Current Status

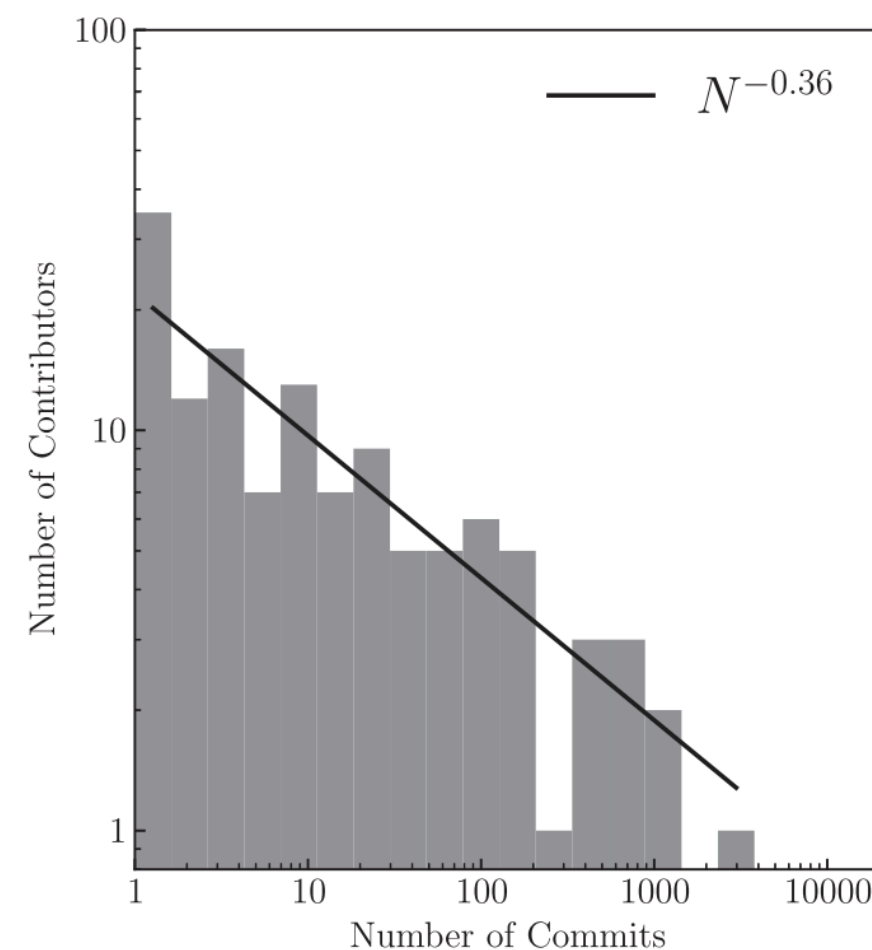
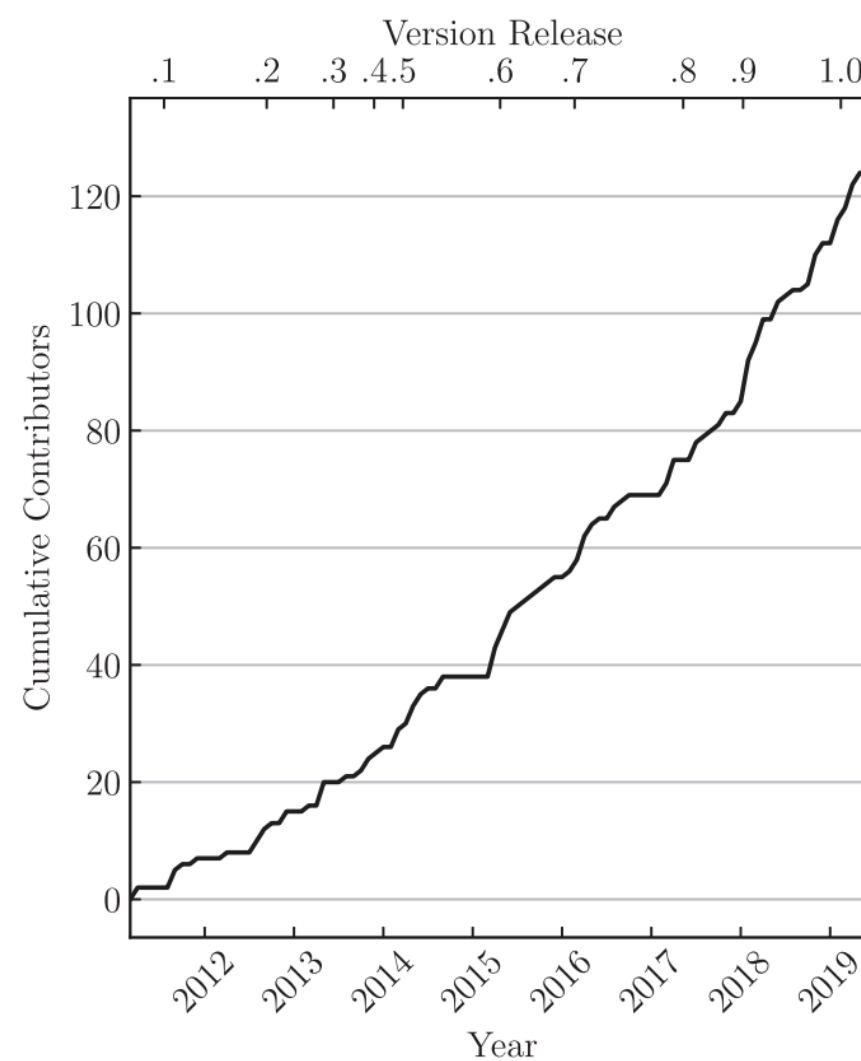
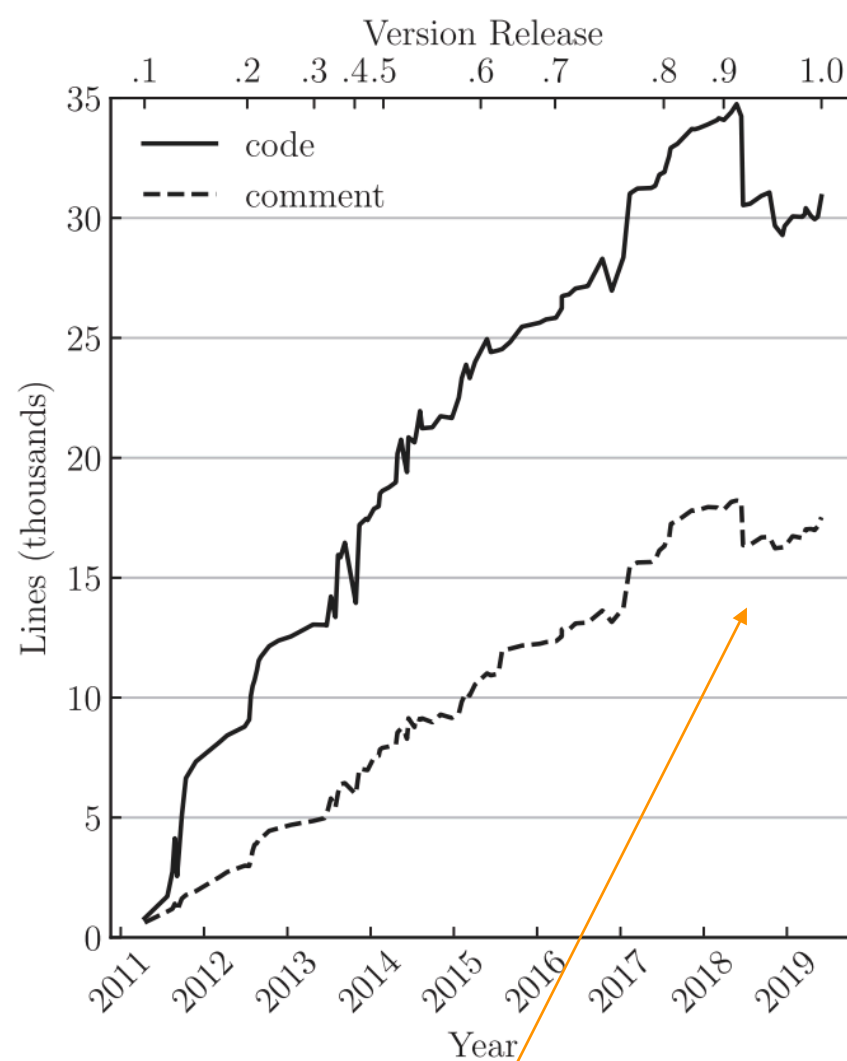
- Project officially founded in March 2014, began in March 2011 (9 years ago!)
- **Released SunPy 2.0** (1.0 first stable release 🎉 🥳) ...currently on 2.0.3
- Now release schedule - twice a year
- ~50,000 lines of code (incl. comments & docs), 134 unique contributors
- Published paper and code: 
  - *The SunPy Community, et al. "The sunpy project: Open source development and status of the version 1.0 core package." The Astrophysical Journal 890.1 (2020): 68.*
  - *Mumford, Stuart, et al. "SunPy: A Python package for Solar Physics." Journal of Open Source Software 5.46 (2020).*





# Where is SunPy now?

## Current Status



Major tidy up for 1.0

Slope quite steep  
hope to flatten this



# SunPy 2.0 +

## Overview and Highlights

- **Headline core changes (from 1.0+):**
  - Major clean up of core
  - Improved download capabilities (par f i ve) - parallel downloads
  - Improved coordinates functionality - Sun-specific transformation stack and coordinate frames
  - Full adoption of a s t r o p y time
  - Logging system

### sunpy core overview:

Data Retriever

|  
Fido

Data Containers

TimeSeries    Map

Coordinate Representation

|  
Coordinates stack



# Data Retriever

sunpy.net and Fido

- **Fido** Unified API for searching and downloading solar data from various search engines and data sources (e.g. VSO, JSOC, https, ftp)

```
In [5]: from sunpy.net import Fido, attrs as a
```

```
In [6]: result = Fido.search(a.Time('2012/3/4', '2012/3/6'), a.Instrument('XRS'))
```

```
In [7]: result
```


Out[7]: Results from 1 Provider:

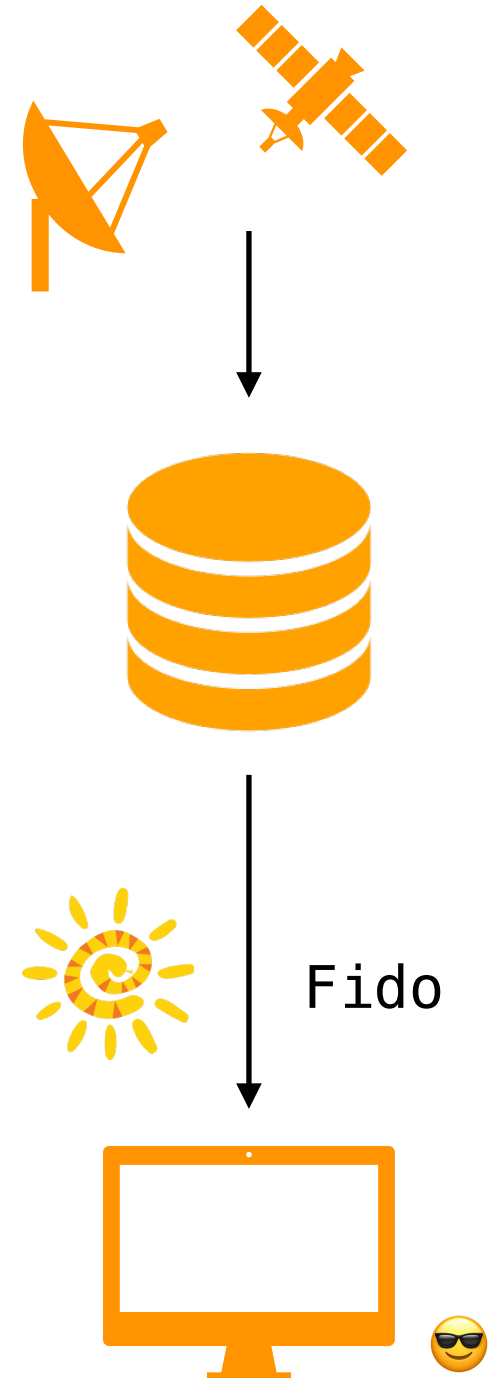
3 Results from the XRSCClient:

Table length=3

Start Time	End Time	Source	Instrument	Wavelength
str19	str19	str4	str4	str3
2012-03-04 00:00:00	2012-03-04 23:59:59	nasa	goes	nan
2012-03-05 00:00:00	2012-03-05 23:59:59	nasa	goes	nan
2012-03-06 00:00:00	2012-03-06 23:59:59	nasa	goes	nan

```
In [*]: Fido.fetch(result, path='./{file}')
```

Files Downloaded: 33%  1/3 [00:00<00:00, 2.90file/s]



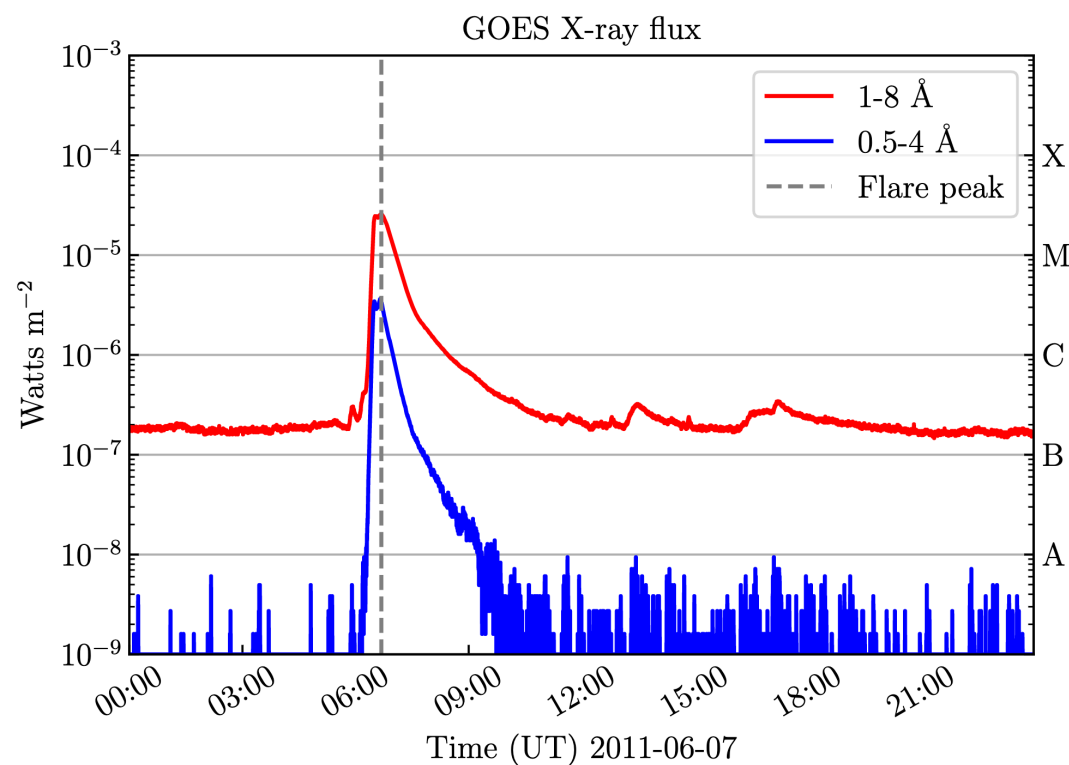




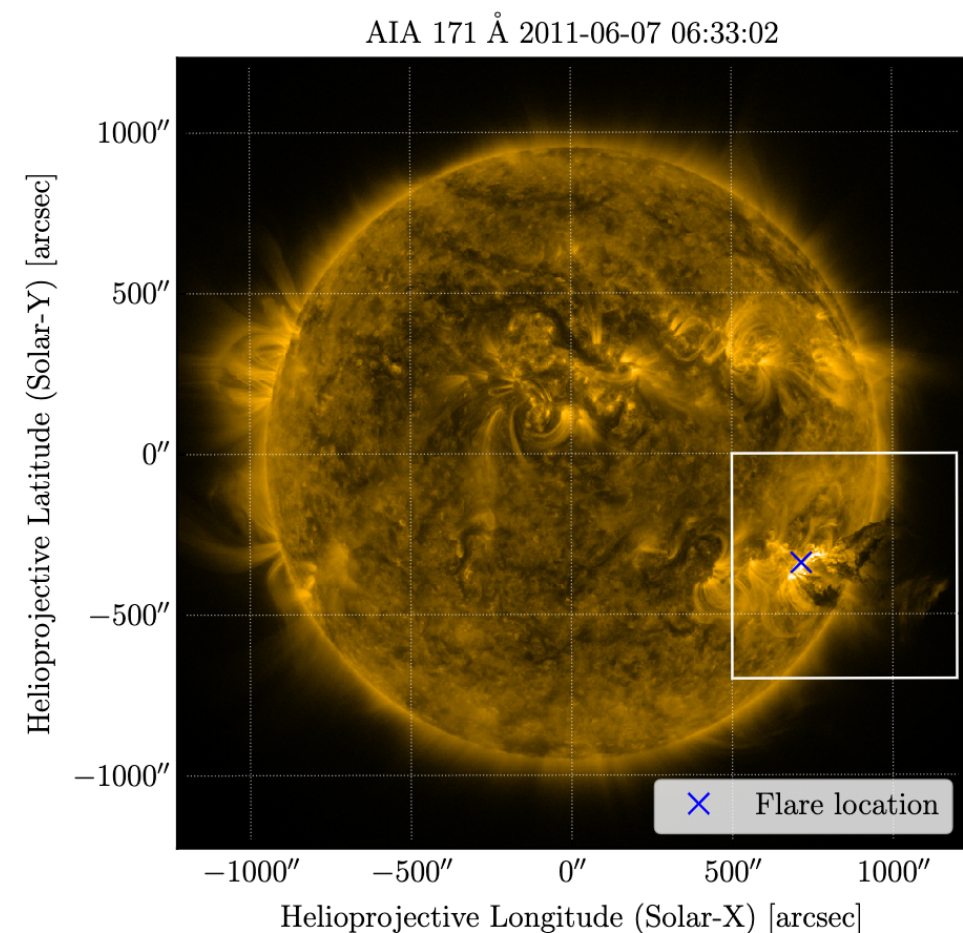
# Data Containers

## TimeSeries and Map

- SunPy provides general, **standard and consistent interface** for loading and representing solar data across different instruments and missions.



TimeSeries: 1D temporal data



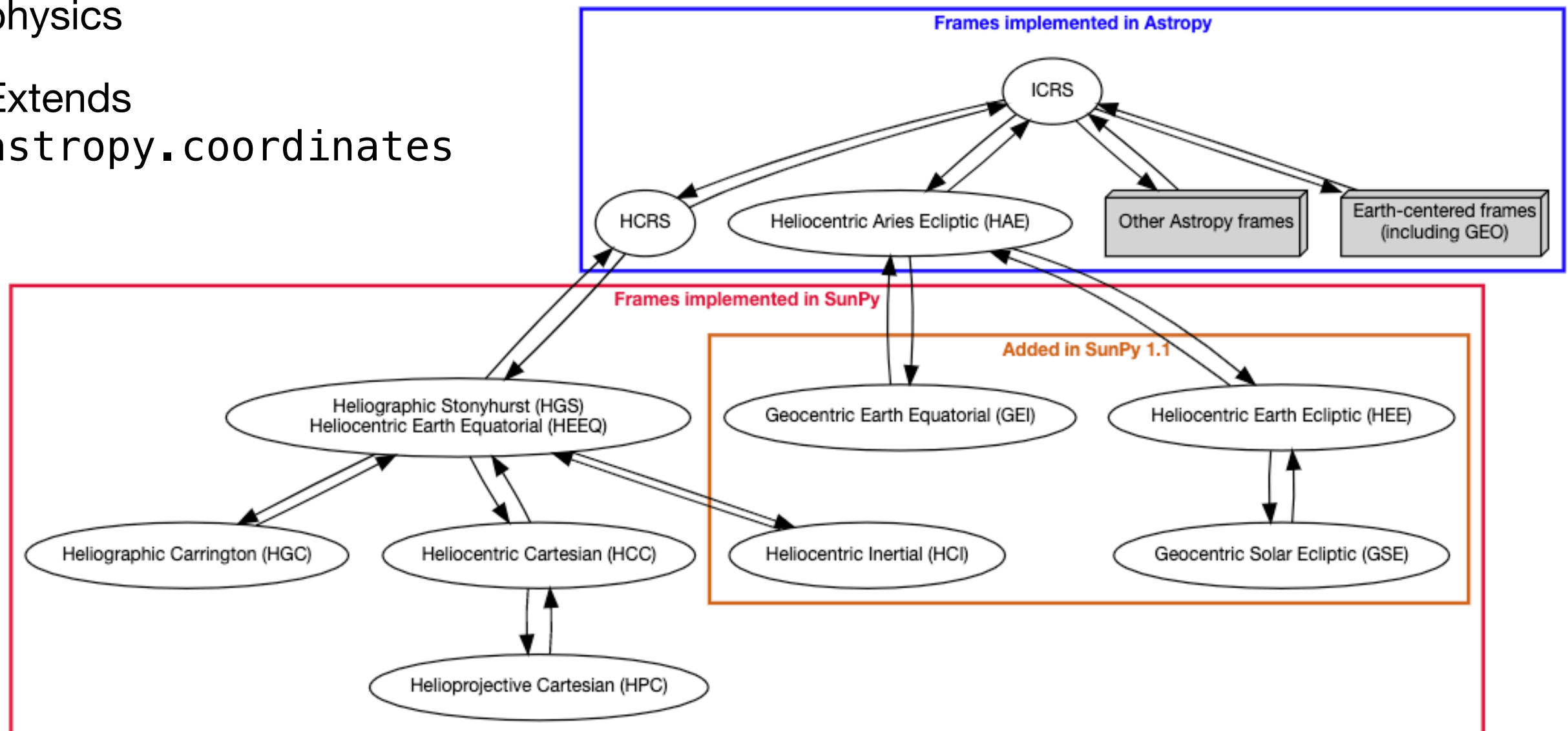
Map: 2D coordinate aware image data



# Coordinates

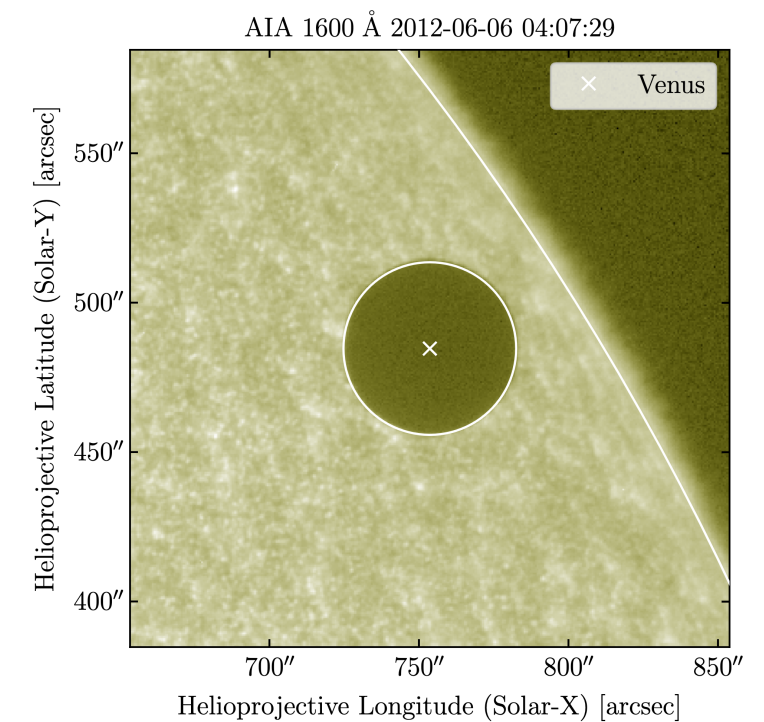
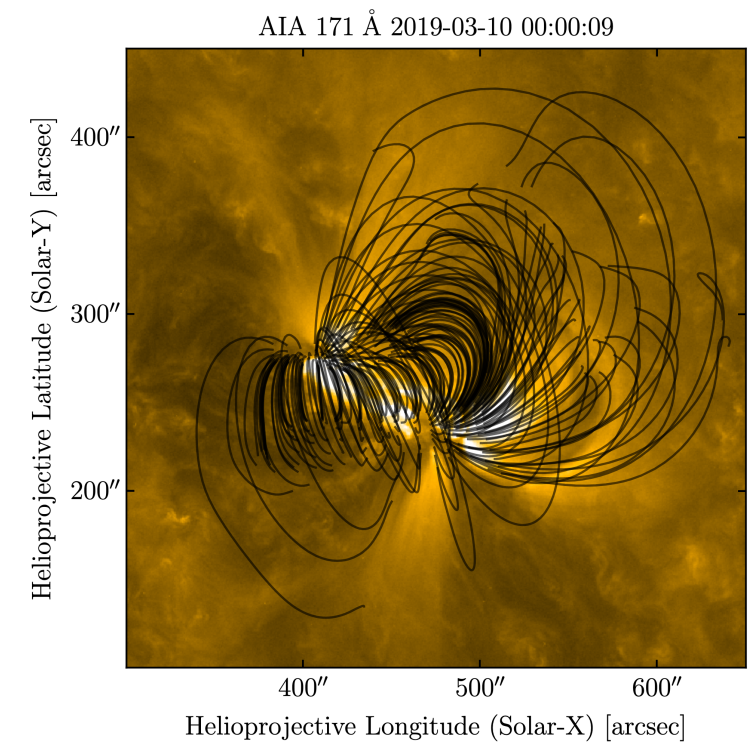
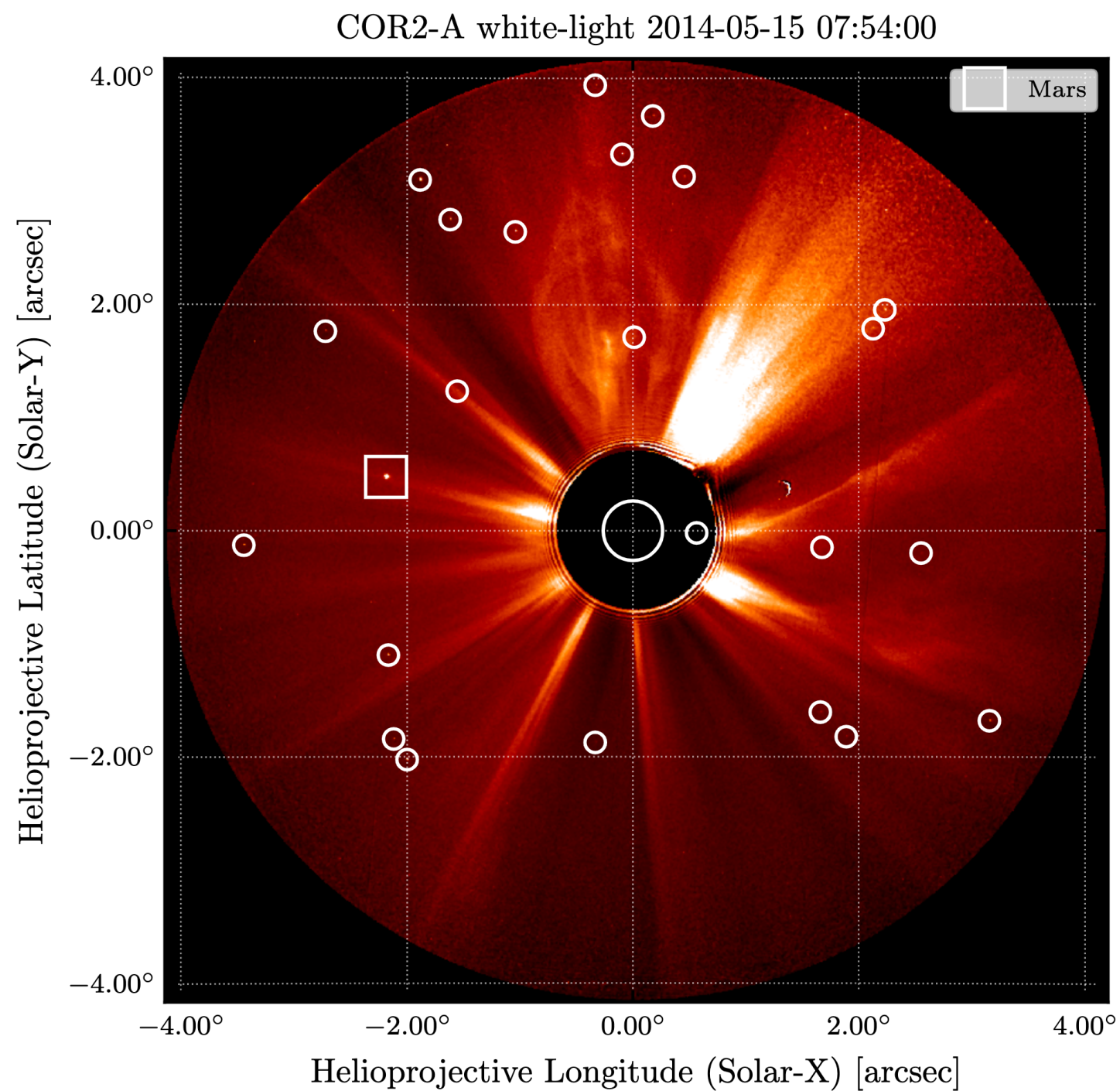
## Solar Coordinates

- `sunpy.coordinates` for representing and **transforming** coordinates used in solar physics
- Extends `astropy.coordinates`



# Coordinates

## Some Examples

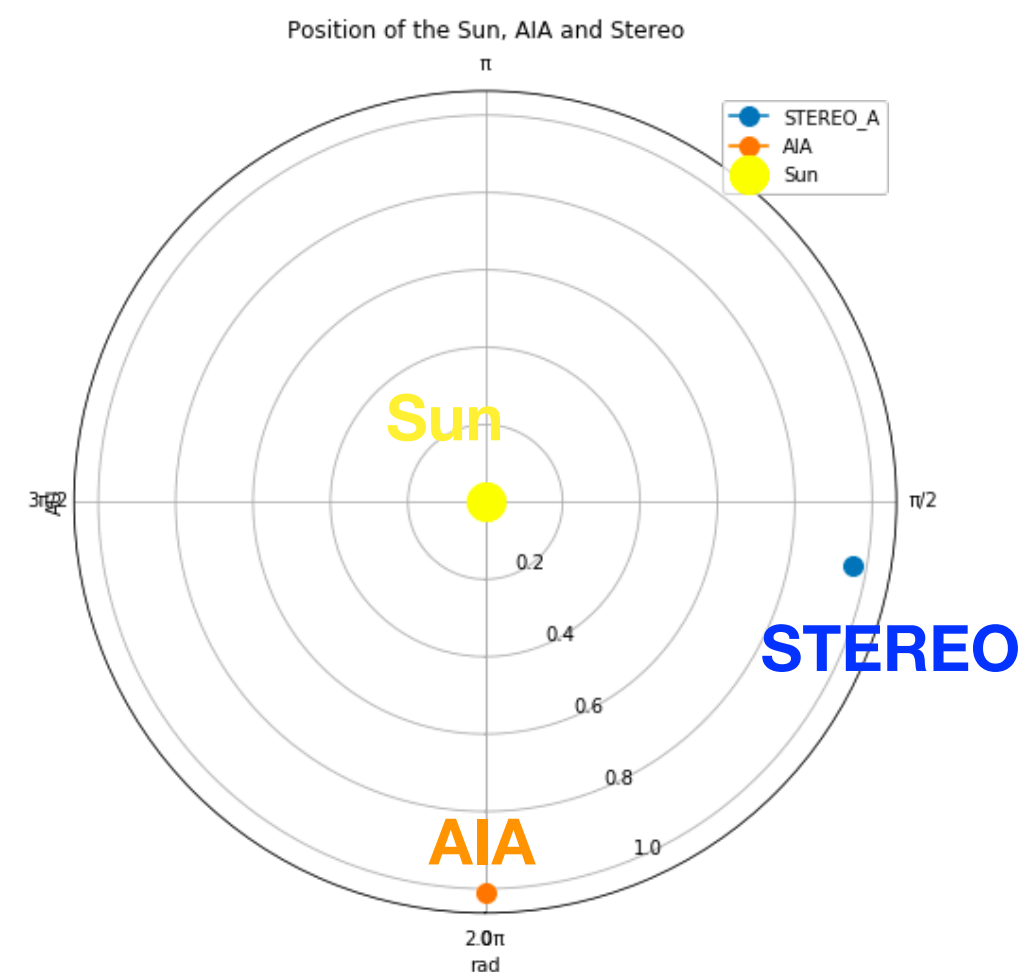
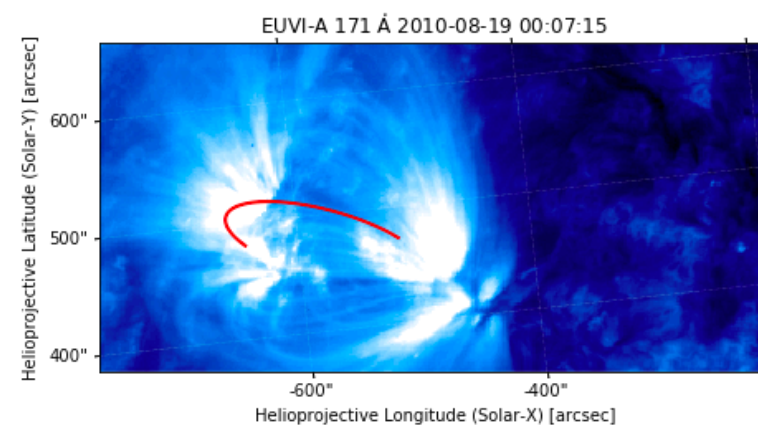
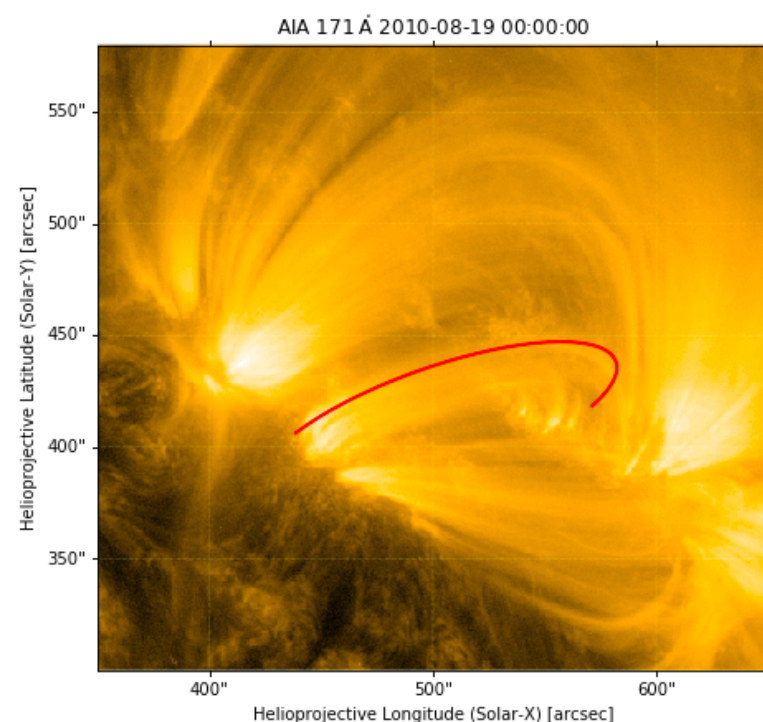
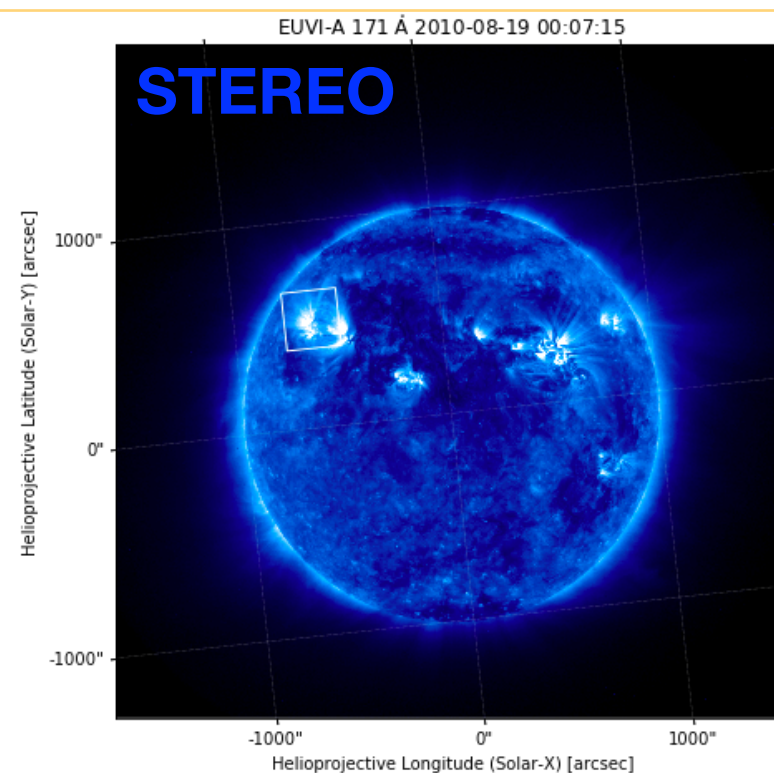
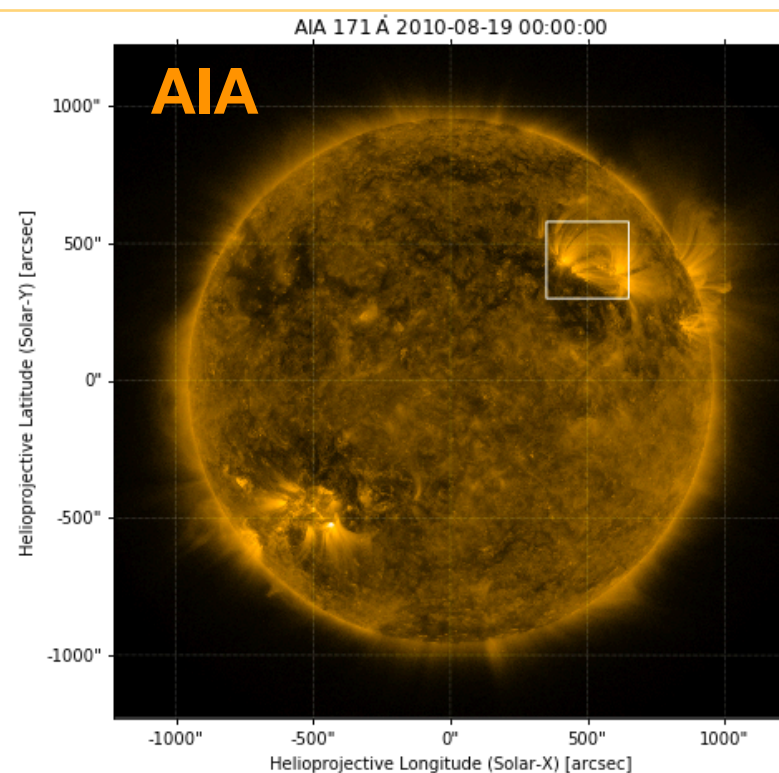






# Coordinates

Finding regions of interest - two different fields of view



Positions of satellites

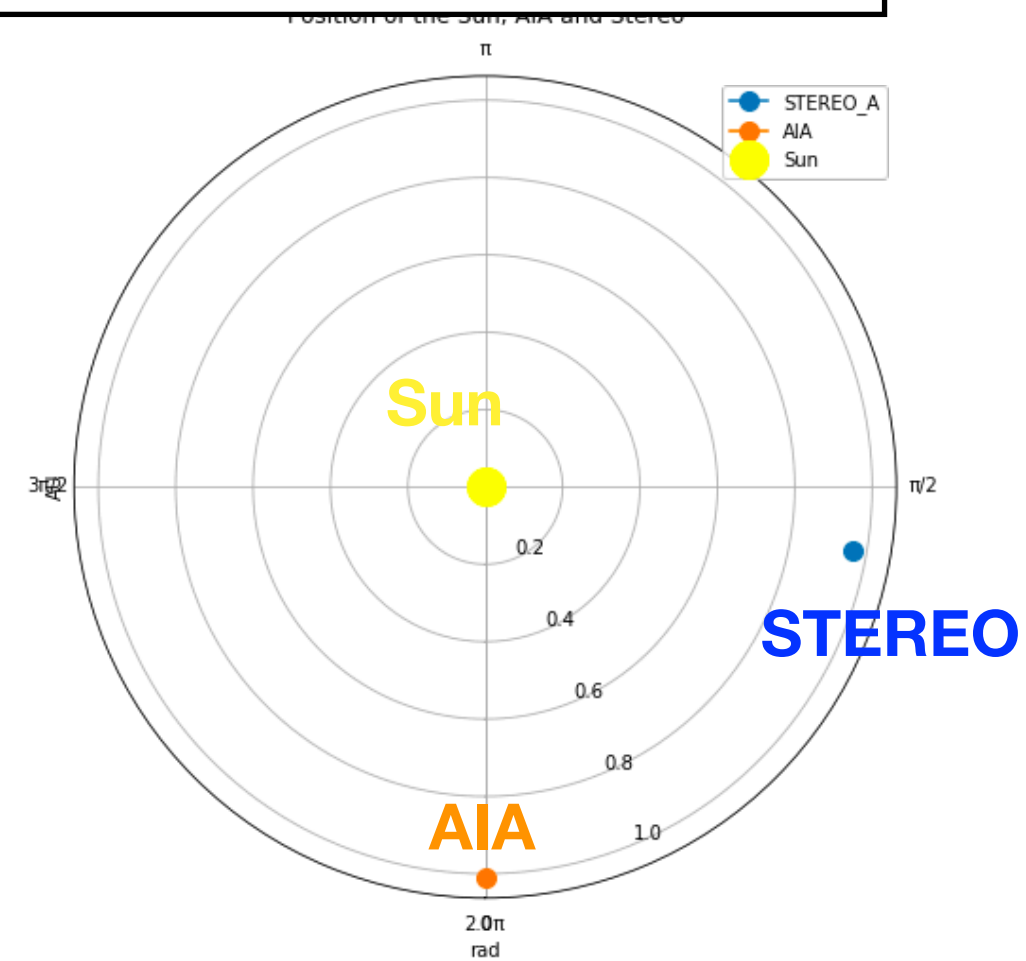
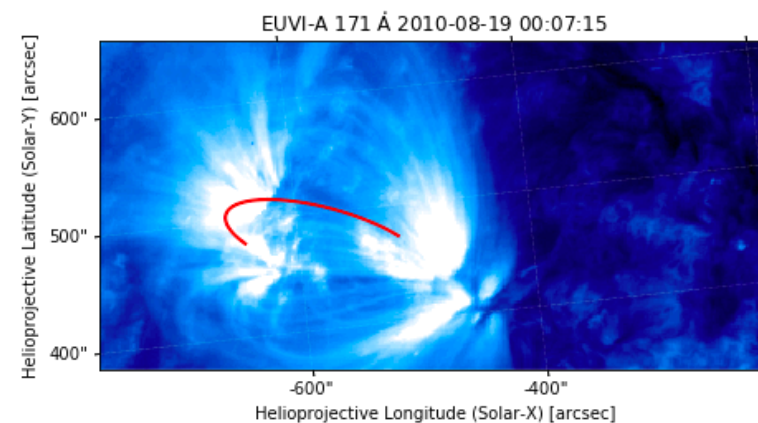
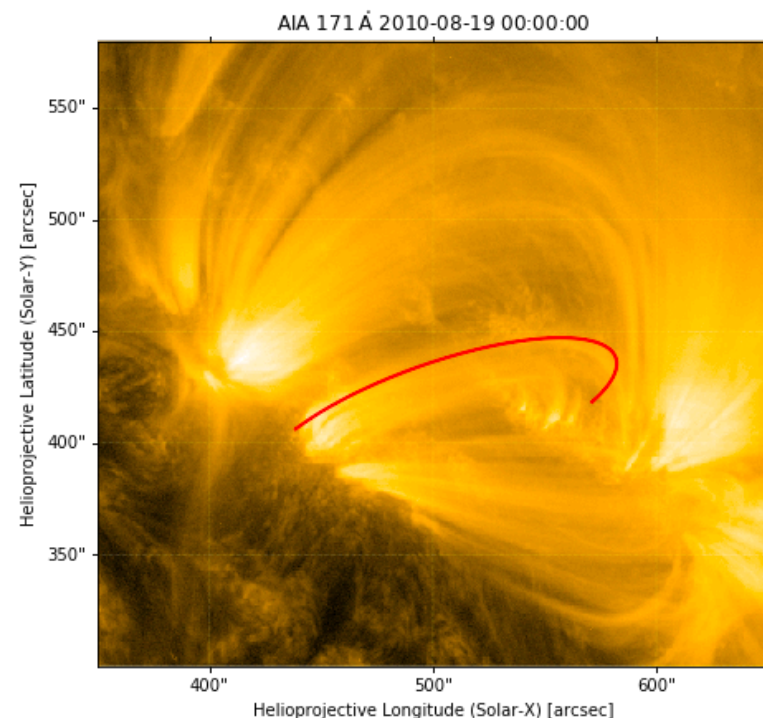
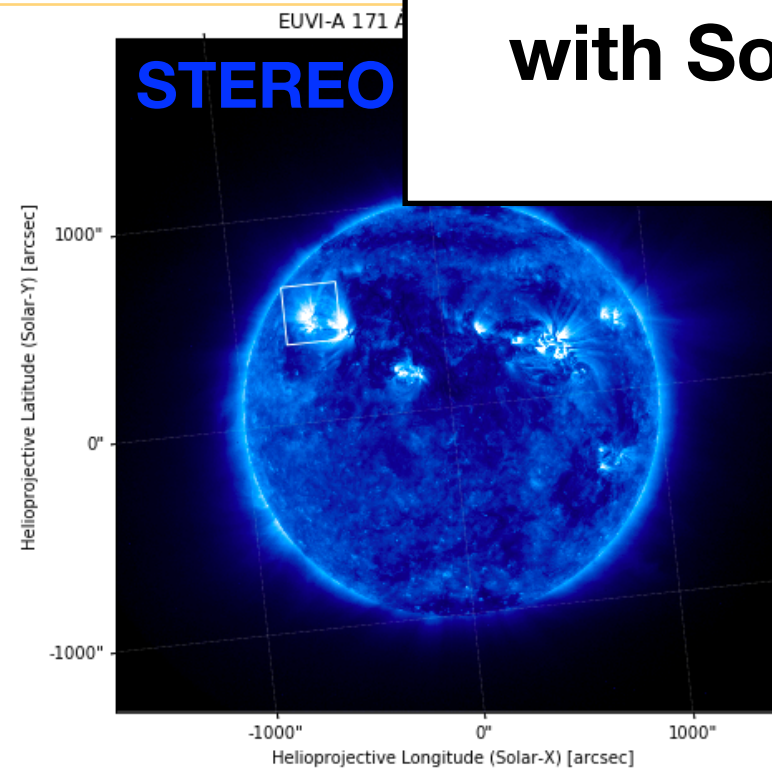
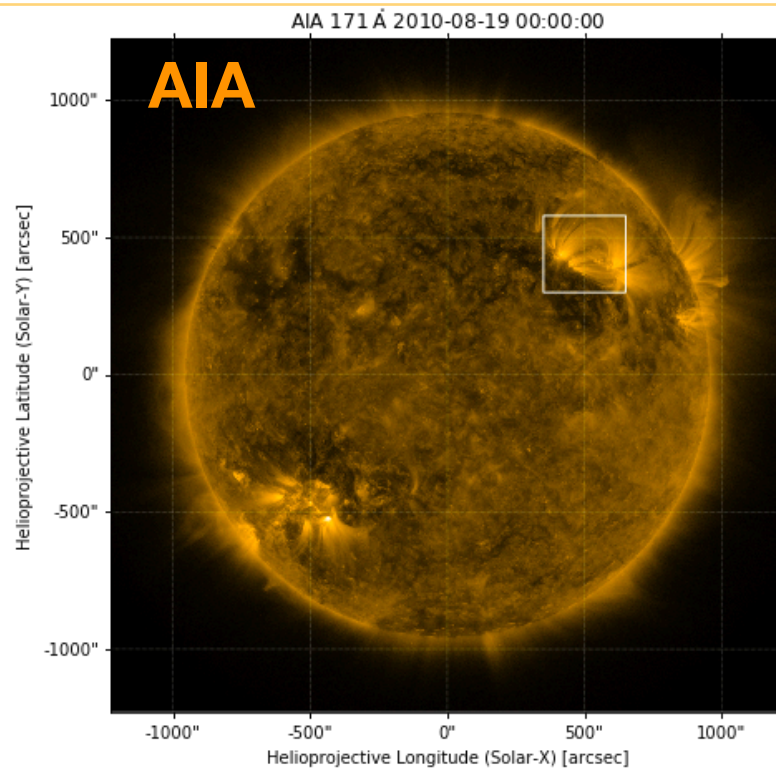




# Coordinates

Finding regions of interest

Really important to have this  
functionality for new observations  
with Solar Orbiter and Parker  
Solar Probe!



Positions of satellites



# Documentation

## User Docs

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## User's Guide

Welcome to the user guide for SunPy. SunPy is a community-developed, free and open-source solar data analysis environment. It is meant to provide the core functionality and tools to analyze solar data with Python. This guide provides a walkthrough of the major features in SunPy. For more details checkout the [Code Reference](#).

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# Documentation

## Example Gallery

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Sample data set overview

Map

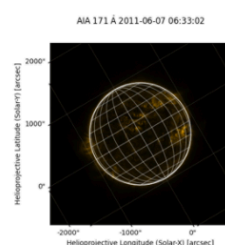
Rotating a Map

Resampling Maps

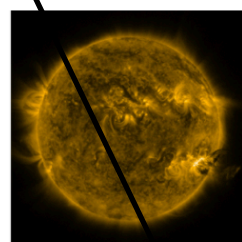
Finding the brightest pixel

## Map

This section contains any example



Rotating a Map



Plotting a Map without any Axes

Click [here](#) to download the full example code

## Rotating a Map

How to rotate a map.

```
import astropy.units as u
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

import sunpy.map
import sunpy.data.sample
```

We start with the sample data

```
aia_map = sunpy.map.Map(sunpy.data.sample.AIA_171_IMAGE)
```

**GenericMap** provides the **rotate** method which accepts an angle. This returns a rotated map and does not rotate in place. The data array size is expanded so that none of the original data is lost due to clipping. Note that subsequent rotations are not compounded. The map is only rotated by the specified amount from the original maps orientation.

```
aia_rotated = aia_map.rotate(angle=30 * u.deg)
```



# Looking ahead

## Roadmap and future plans

- Two new releases now planned per year 🌞
- Future development and roadmap plan:



- NDCube for Map – upgrade to N-dim coordinate aware data
- Improved support for data with spectral axes and multi-dimensional data sets
- standardized approach to metadata
- Package template for **affiliated** packages - e.g. incubator for instrument teams
- Hope to **grow community involvement** - feedback from users, users → contributors

