ESA VSWMC-Part 2
Status report

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  o *Components: Model repository / Model couplings / etc.*

- **Detailed design**

  o *Models, model couplings, and nodes to be included in this project*

(previous) VSWMC-Phase 1 results:

- **A proof-of-concept prototype** version of an **open end-to-end** (Sun to Earth) space weather modeling system,

- enabling to **combine ("couple") various space weather models** in an integrated tool,

- with the models located **either locally or geographically distributed**,

- so as to *better understand the challenges* in creating such an integrated environment.

➢ **VSWMC combines three roles**:
  - *A repository for models and data*
  - *A facility offering a model coupling infrastructure*
  - *A facility that executes coupled model simulations*

New VSWMC-P2 objective and scope

- The **further development of the VSWMC** building on the Phase 1 prototype system and *focusing on the interaction with the SSA SWE system*.

- Efficient integration of **new models and new model couplings**, including a first demonstration of an *end-to-end simulation capability*.

- Further development and wider use of the **coupling toolkit** and **the front-end GUI** which will be designed to be accessible via the SWE Portal.

- Availability of more **accessible input and output data** on the system and development of **integrated visualization tool** modules.

Consortium overview

1. **KU Leuven/CmPA** (prime contractor)
2. **Belgian Institute for Space Aeronomy** (sub-contractor)
3. **Royal Observatory of Belgium** (sub-contractor)
4. **Von Karman Institute** (sub-contractor)
5. **DH Consultancy** (sub-contractor)
6. **Space Applications Services** (sub-contractor)
7. **British Antarctic Survey** (sub-contractor)

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Work breakdown

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WP 0: Interfacing with SAT
KULeuven

WP 10: Project management
KU Leuven
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Part 2a

- **WP 1: Update CRs & review SWE assets**
  BIRA-IASB
- **WP 2: Update system requirements**
  SpaceApps
- **WP 3: Architectural &detailed design**
  VKI

Part 2b

- **WP 4: VSWMC Part 2 core system**
  SpaceApps
- **WP 5: Interfacing new SWE models**
  KU Leuven
- **WP 6: Data provision nodes**
  DHConsultancy
- **WP 7: User front-end & DE**
  SpaceApps

Part 2c

- **WP 8: Expansion of model couplings**
  VKI
- **WP 9: Verification and validation**
  ROB

Similarities with CCMC…

Like CCMC, the VSWMC is/will provide:

- *A repository for models (and data!)*
- *A facility that enables to execute models and coupled model simulations*

… and differences!

- **VSWMC-P2 is being developed**: only a prototype version is available at the moment

- **Combination of local and distributed models**, so models can run remotely and are coupled over the internet

- **Visualization tools** will be integrated as 'models' that can be coupled to any other integrated model

- **Interactive**: via a **'developer tool'** the modelers will be able to install/adjust their own model and couple it to another model in the repository (at end of Part 2 project)

… and even more differences!

➢ **Different operation mode(s), because of different kinds of 'users':**

- **System operator(s):** need *operator interface*, statistics (use, demand, waiting times, I/O, etc.), alarms (when model did not run, communication failed, etc.), …

- **Model contributors:** need *developer tool* to provide (updates of) their own models, integrating them into the system and coupling them to other models or data providers and/or visualization models

- **Different 'end users':** *e.g.*

  - *Forecasters:* running *pre-installed simulations* on a regular basis and integrated in the operational procedures
  - *scientists/researchers* using the *models and couplings for setting up and performing individual simulations runs* in the framework of their research

VSWMC-P2 overview

- Users interface via a web portal (in SSA SWE system)

- Developer environment with 4 service components

- Core system also contains data archive and user management component

- Only the runtime system interacts with HLA bus to coordinate simulations
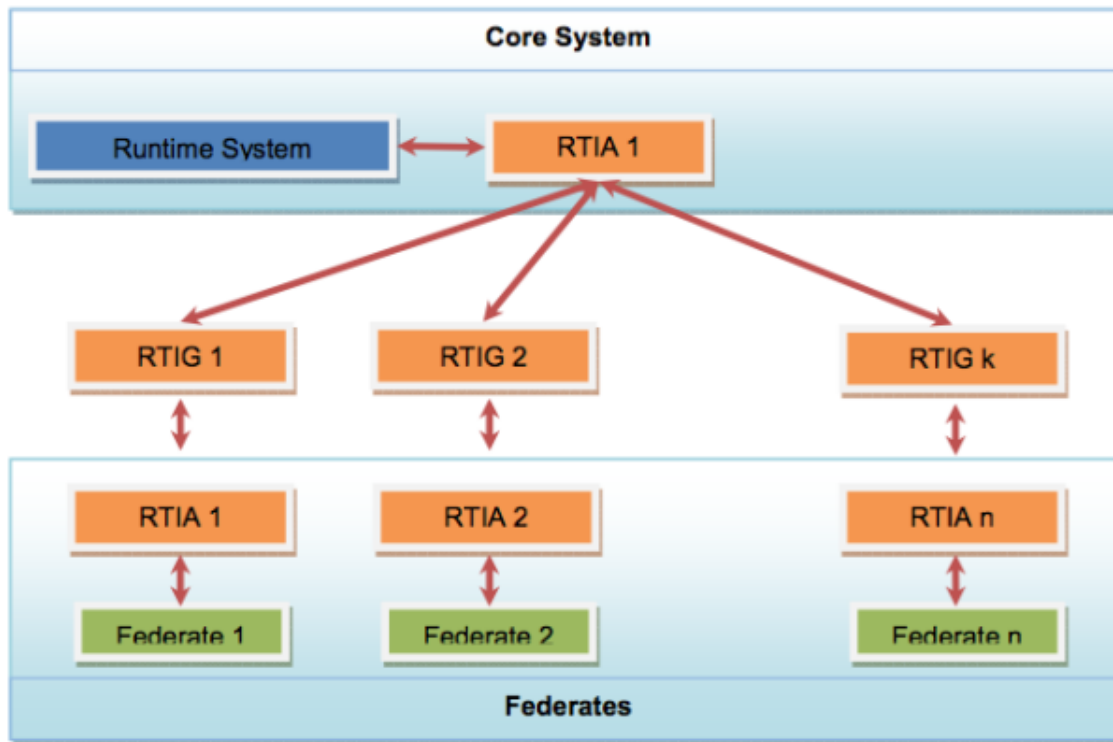
- visualizations will be implemented as 'federates'
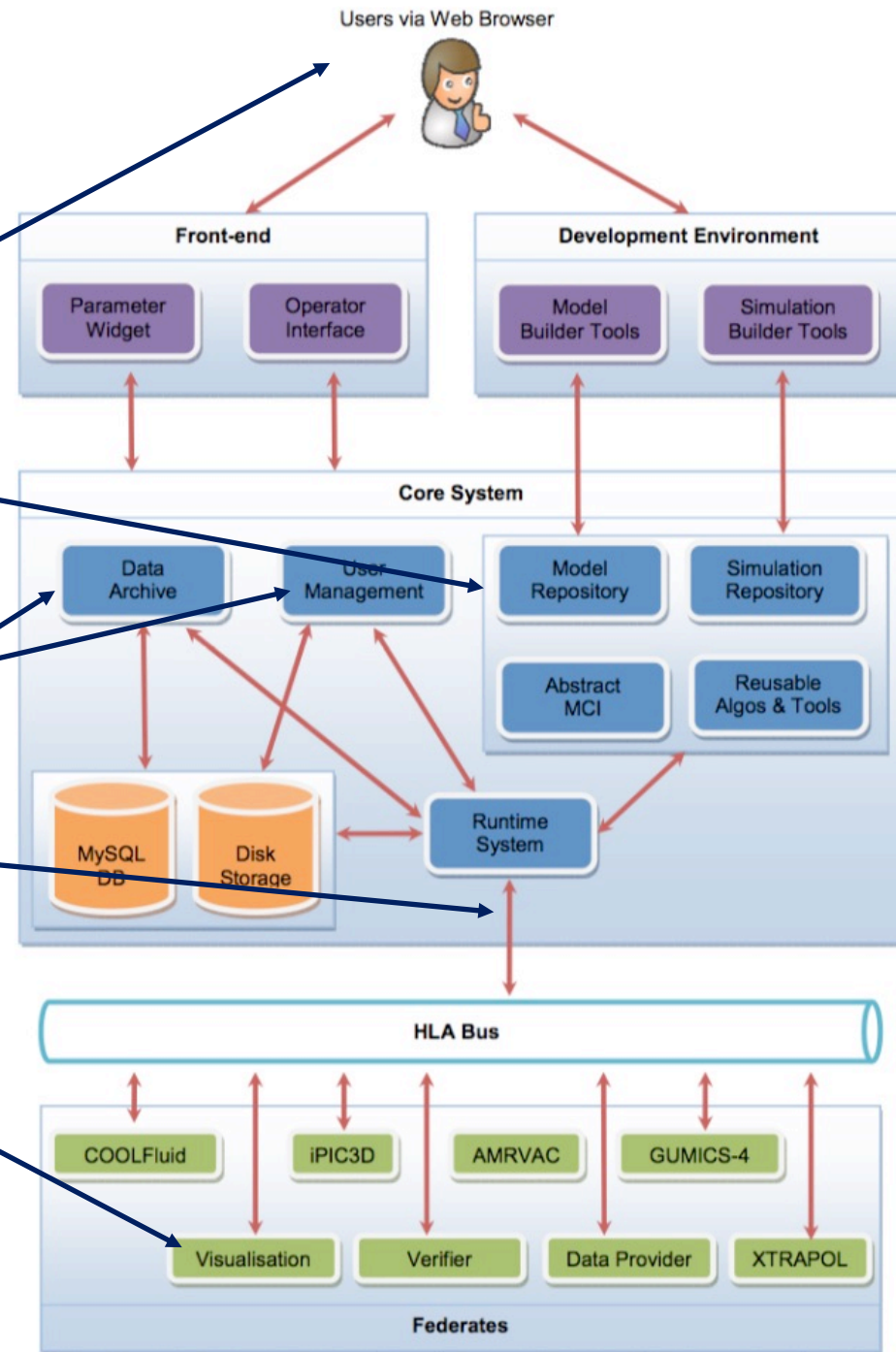
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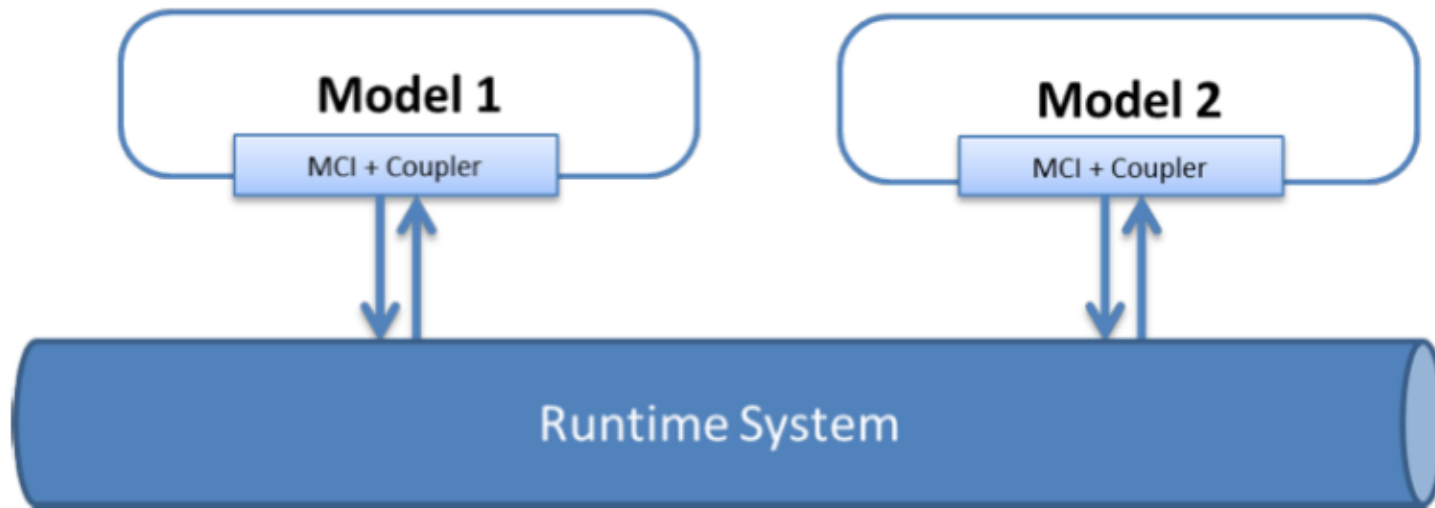
- Prepares models for execution and manages data exchange between models

- Is capable of executing parameterized simulation (or federation) runs. As a simulation is interpreted, different models are retrieved from the Model Repository.

- **Short demo**

CERTI RTI Gateway (RTIG)

- RTI Gateways (RTIG) manage the simulations and transfers messages between federates

- VSWMC-2 will support multiple RTIG to tackle high communication loads

VSWMC Part 2 core system: **models**

Model repository *contains the different models installed (binary or source code, MCI, model metadata, input and visualization widgets). Shortlist:*

- **XTRAPOL**   *solar model*   *(running in Paris)*

- **AMRVAC**   *2.5D solar wind + CMEs*   *(running in Leuven)*
- **GUMICS-4**   *magnetosphere*   ("   )
- **Euhforia1**   *coronal model*   ("   )
- **Euhforia2**   *inner heliosphere + CMEs*   ("   )
- **CMAT2**   *ionosphere*   ("   )
- **iPIC3D**   *magnetotail*   ("   )

- **BAS-RBM**   *radiation belt*   *(running at BAS)*
- **COOLFluiD** *magnetosphere*   *(running at VKI)*

Two-fluid modeling of the Earth's magnetosphere
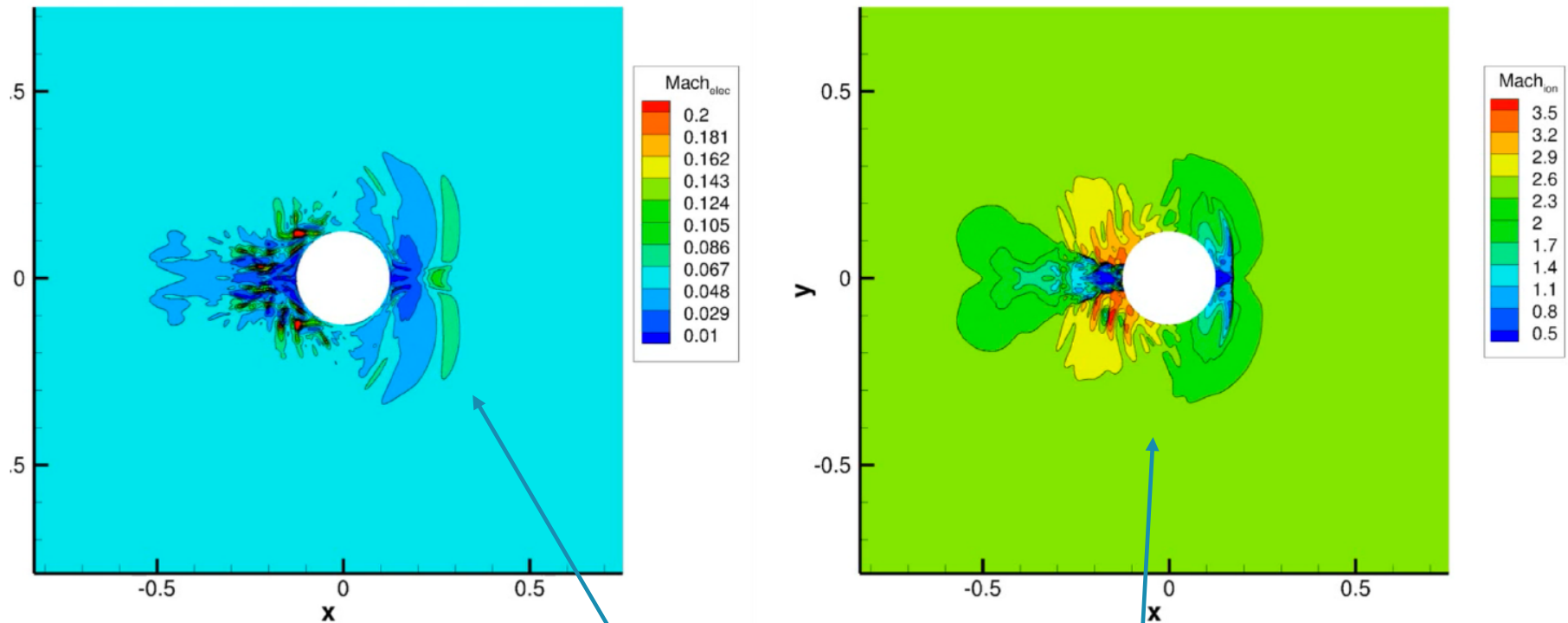
Global two-fluid COOLFluiD model: Electron (left) and ion (right) Mach contours. The plasma flows from right to left. Notice the complexity of the wake: electrons are subsonic, ions are supersonic.
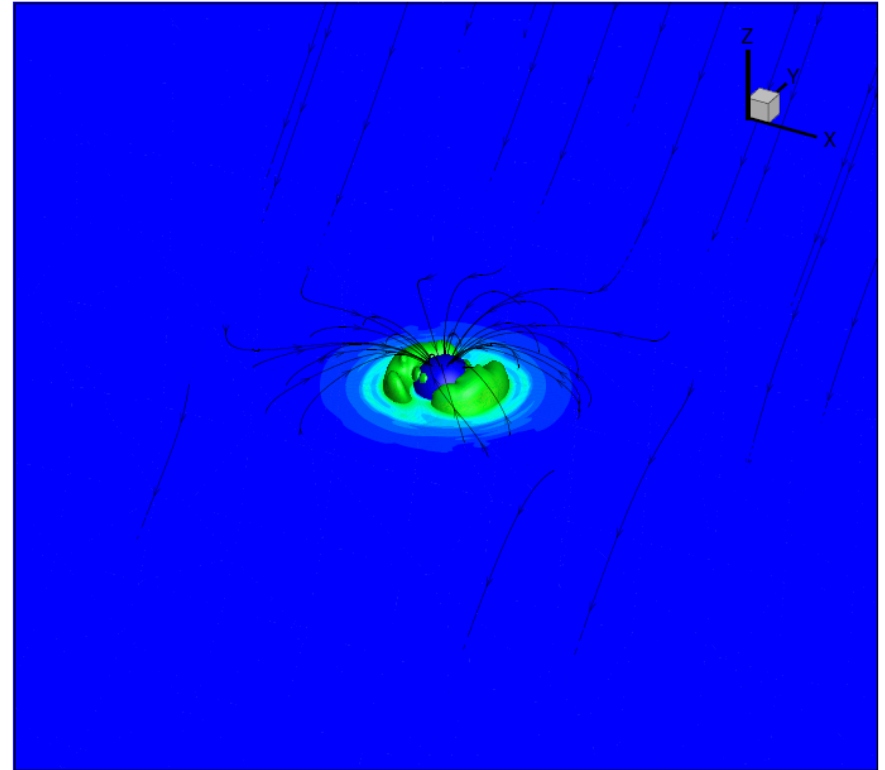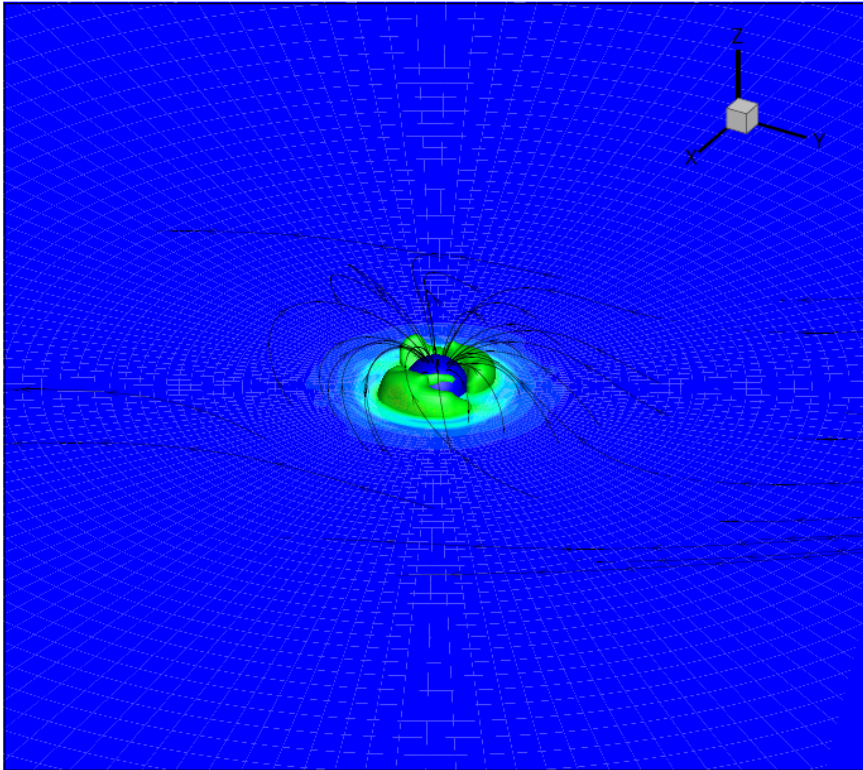
Two-fluid modeling of the Earth's magnetosphere

Global two-fluid COOLFluiD model: Formation of the ring current in the two-fluid magnetospheric simulation. Contours correspond to the electric current and the lines to the magnetic field.

Simulation repository

- Contains the Simulations that have been installed.
- For each Simulation it shall contain the following types of data:
  1. Simulation configuration file (can be generated via GUI)
  2. Coupler metadata, Models' metadata, CTK's conguration
  3. Reference simulation runs (including I/O data)

DATA archive

- file directory tree (where downloaded data are stored, either permanently or temporarily);
- Download scripts and utilities to retrieve the data;
- Cron jobs to continually download real-time data.

Coupling Toolkit overview

Core architecture (**CTK kernel**) provides abstract interfaces for implementing 4 utitlities, which are actually implemented under the form of dynamic module (**CTK-plugin**), making the CTK architecture truly open-ended
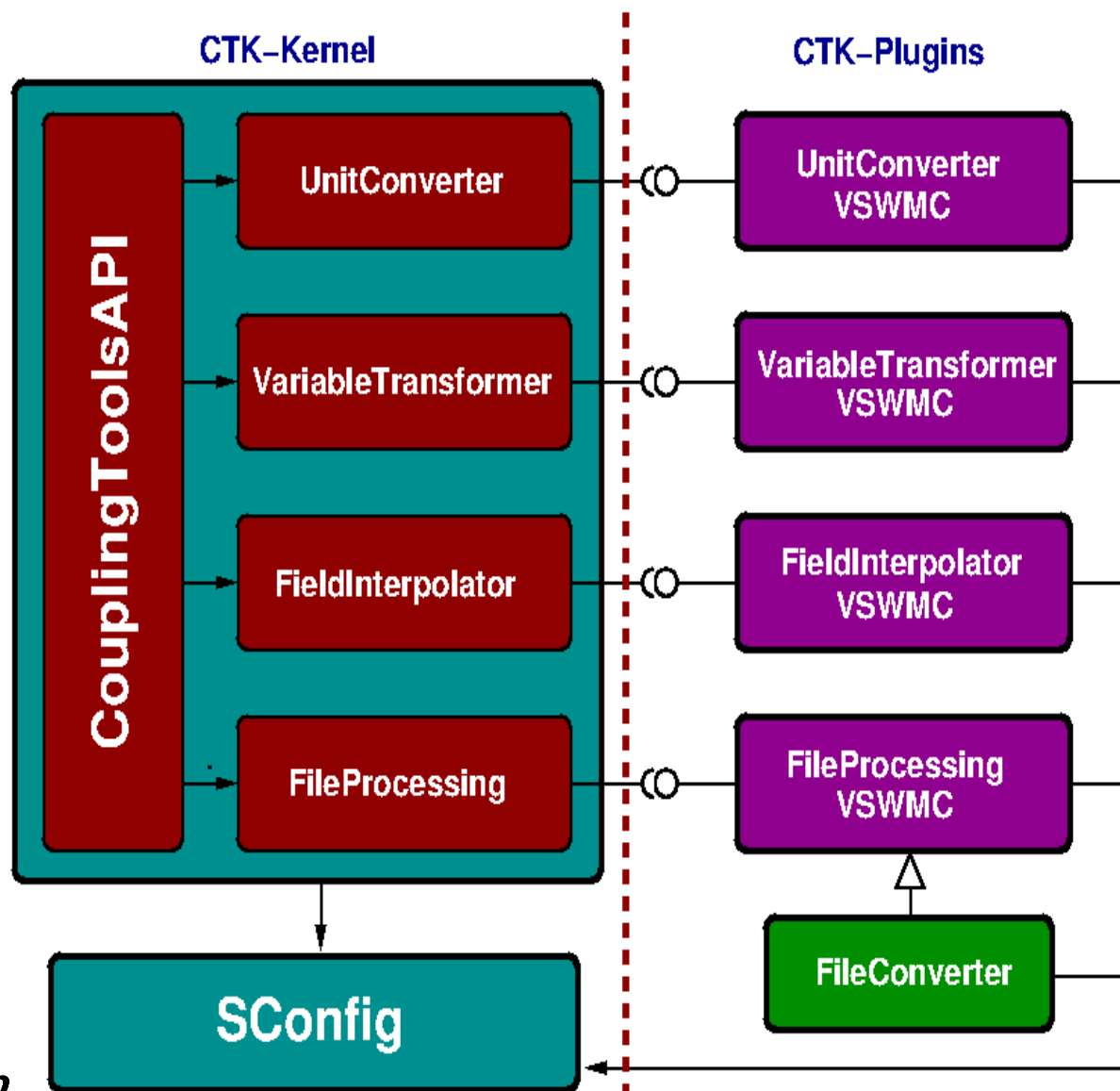
Model couplings

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One-way couplings:

- ETRAPOL $\rightarrow$ Euhforia1
- Euhforia1 (Corona) $\rightarrow$ Euhforia2 (heliosphere/CME evolution)
- ACE L1 Data Stream $\rightarrow$ GUMICS-4
- EUHFORIA $\rightarrow$ GUMICS-4
- EUHFORIA $\rightarrow$ COOLFluiD

Two-way couplings:

- COOLFluiD $\leftrightarrow$ CMAT2
- COOLFluiD or GUMICS-4 $\leftrightarrow$ BAS-RBM

Sun-to-Earth chain scenario

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Central role for EUHFORIA

EUHFORIA example: *radial velocity V*$_r$
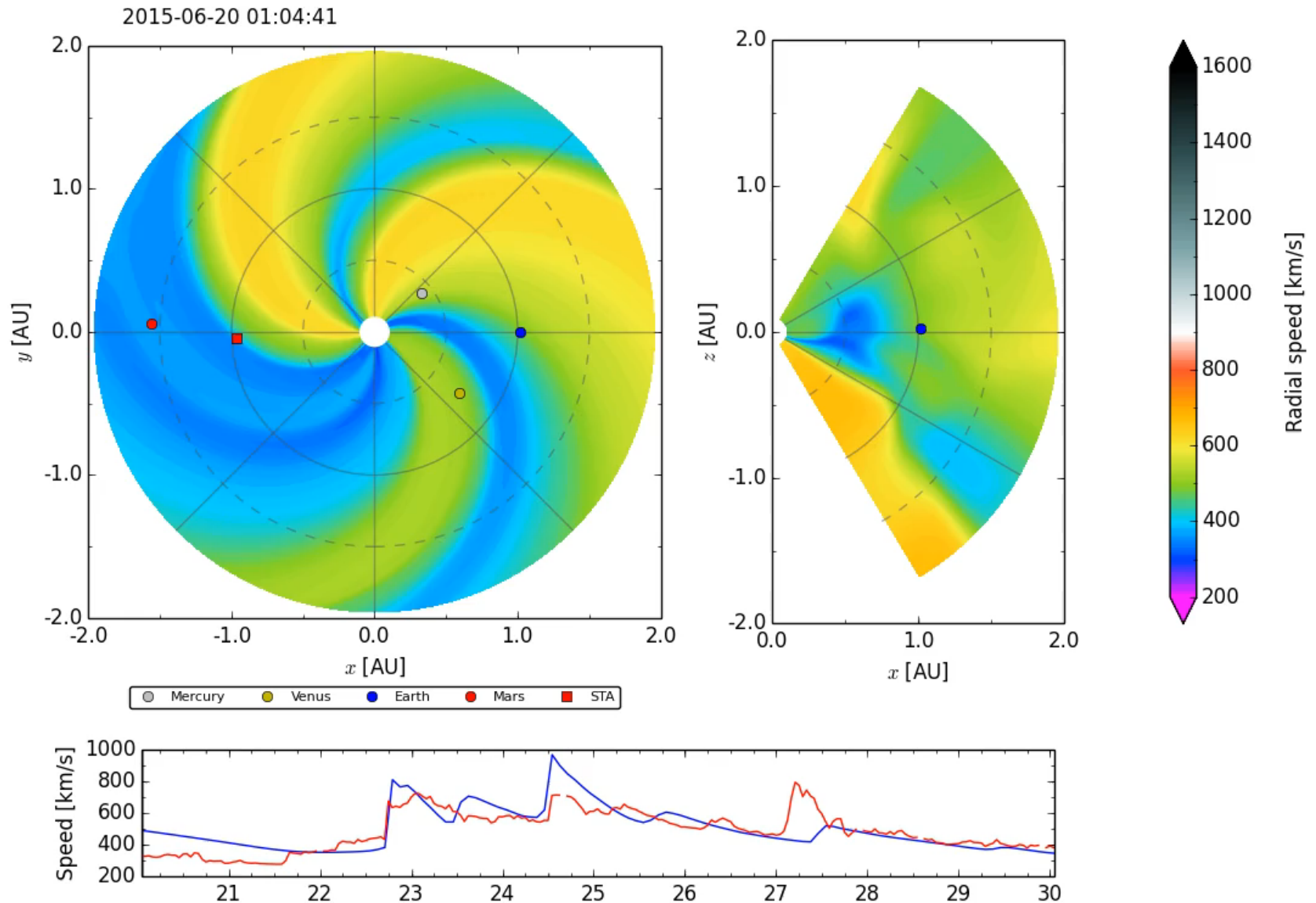
Magnetic field at 1AU with cone CME
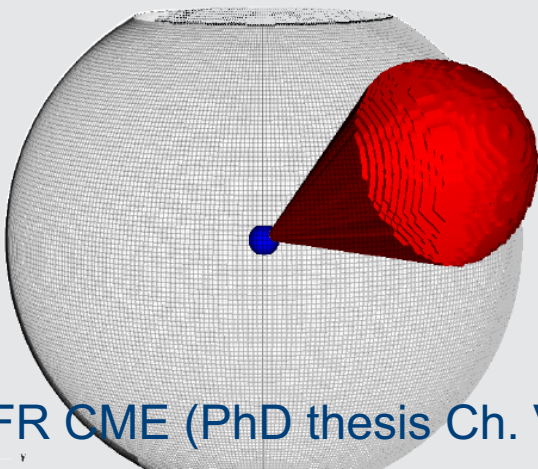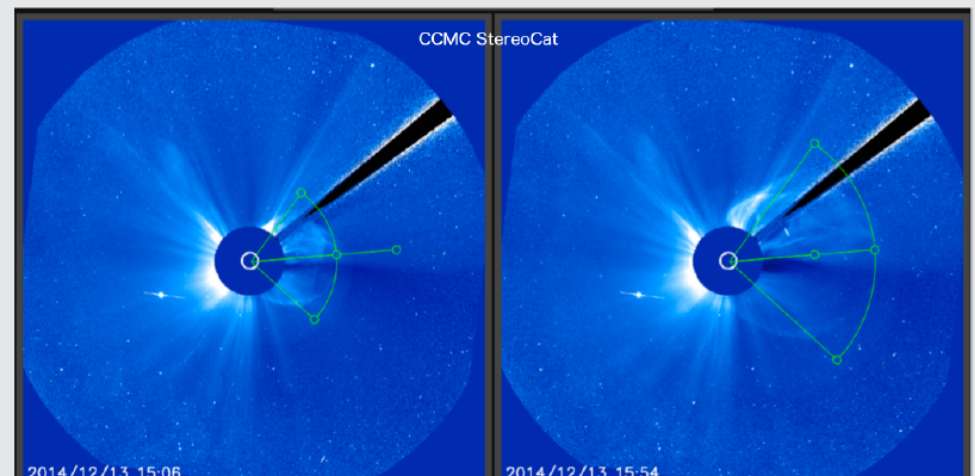

Credit: Jens Pomoell
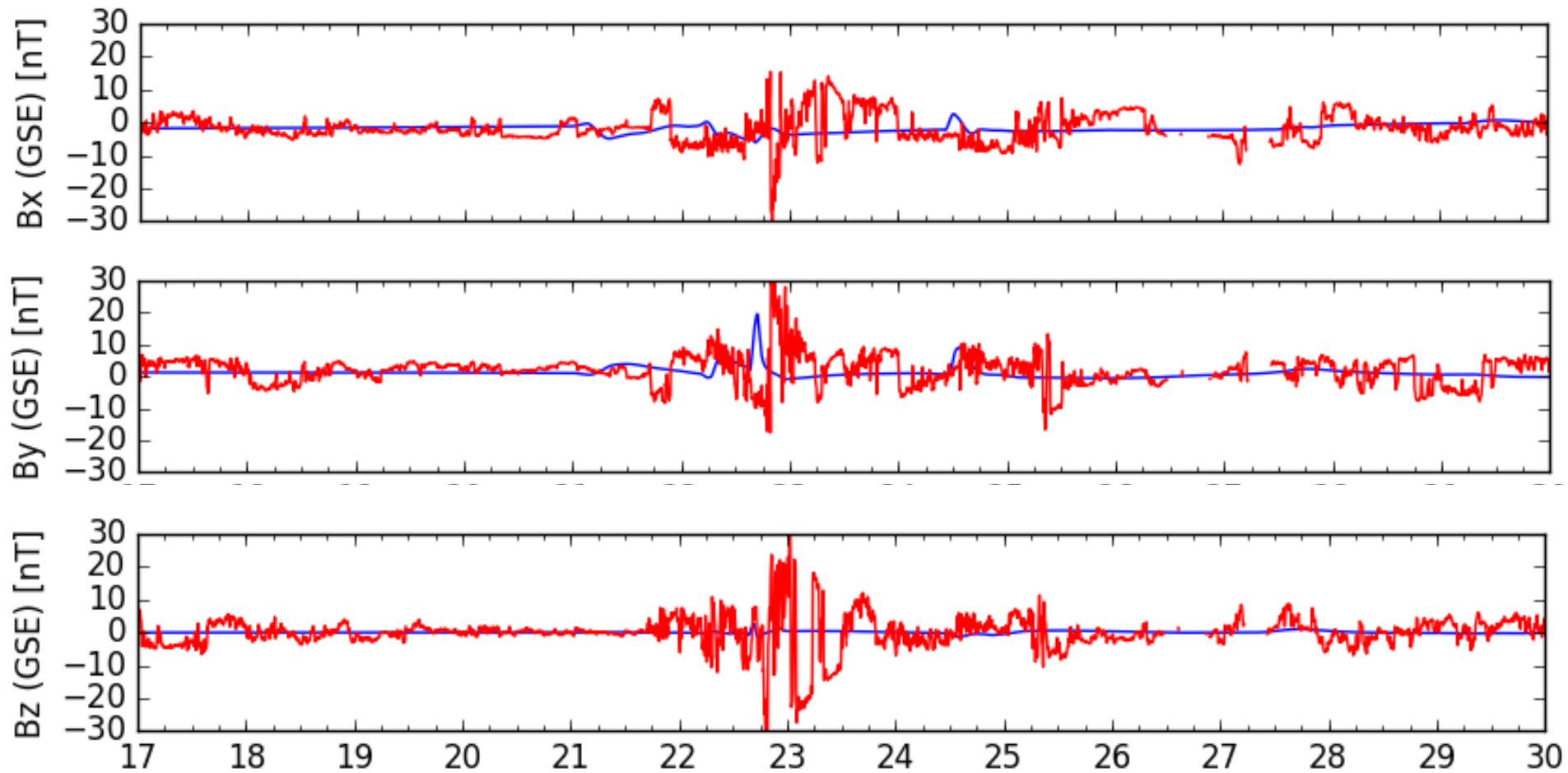
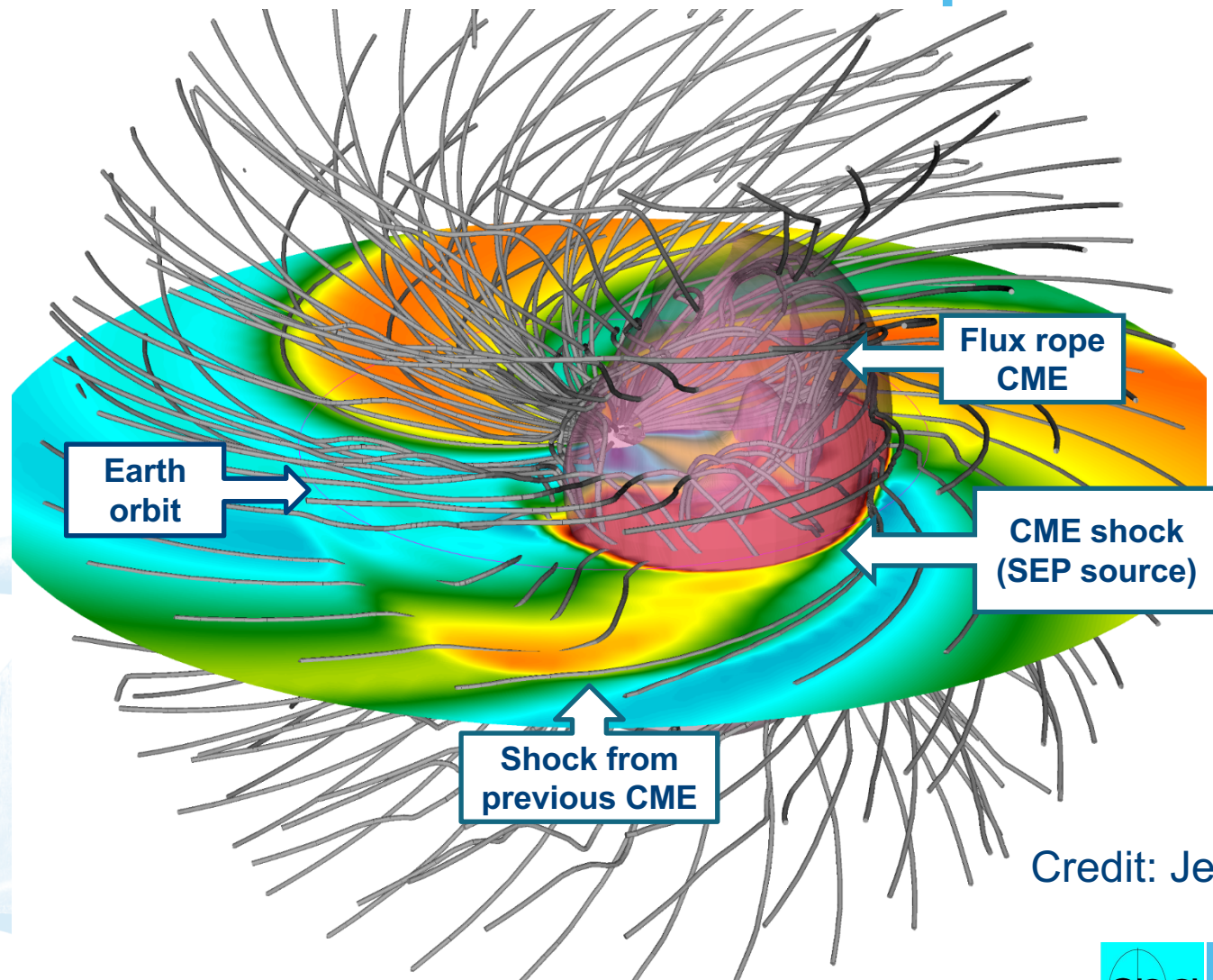# Building in Gibson & Low FR CME
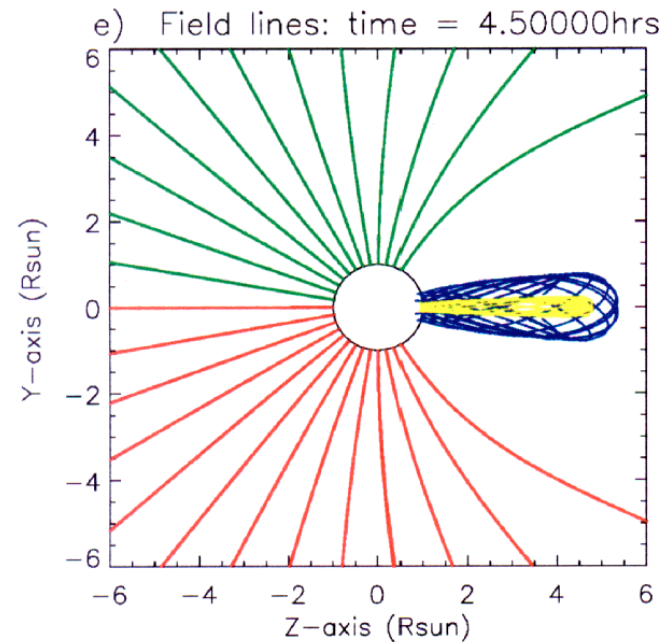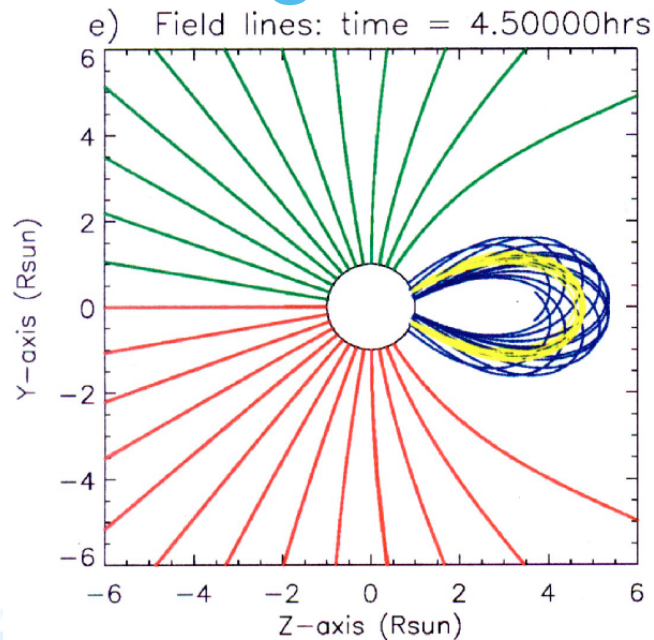
Cone-model CMEs inserted at 21.5 AU as time-dependent boundary condition
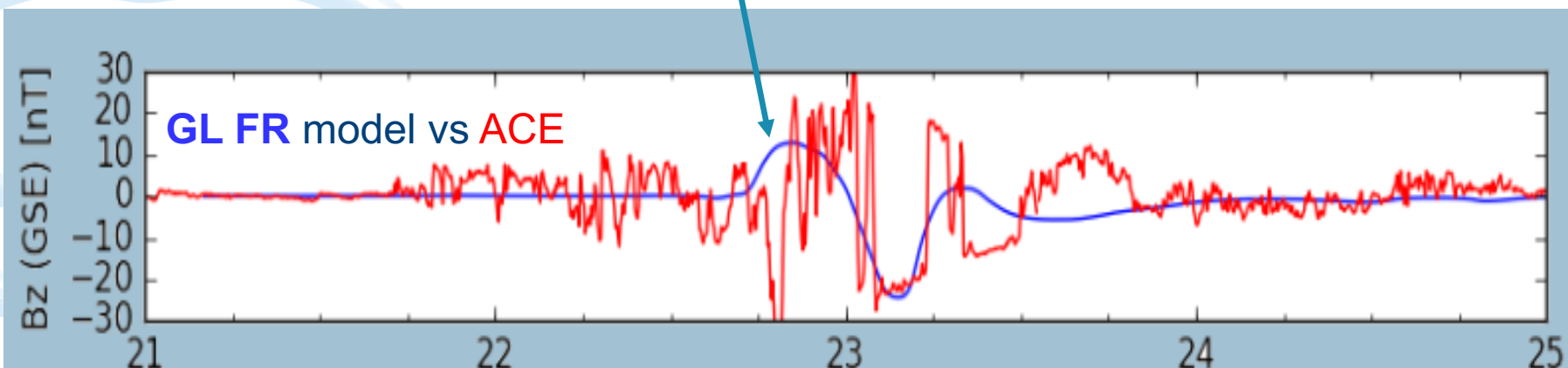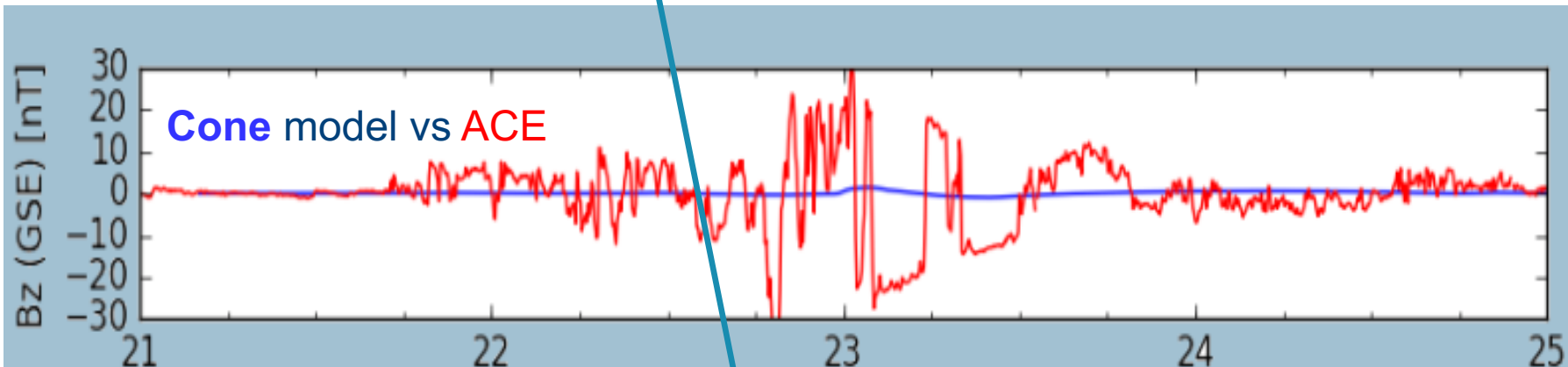

FR CME (PhD thesis Ch. Verbeke)

Gibson-Low flux-rope CMEs

Flux rope CME

Earth orbit

CME shock (SEP source)

Shock from previous CME

Credit: Jens Pomoell

Comparison Cone - Gibson & Low FR CME

B_z component requires higher resolution

Cone model vs ACE

GL FR model vs ACE

FR CME (PhD thesis Ch. Verbeke)   Credit: Jens Pomoell

New ultra-high resolution results: CME
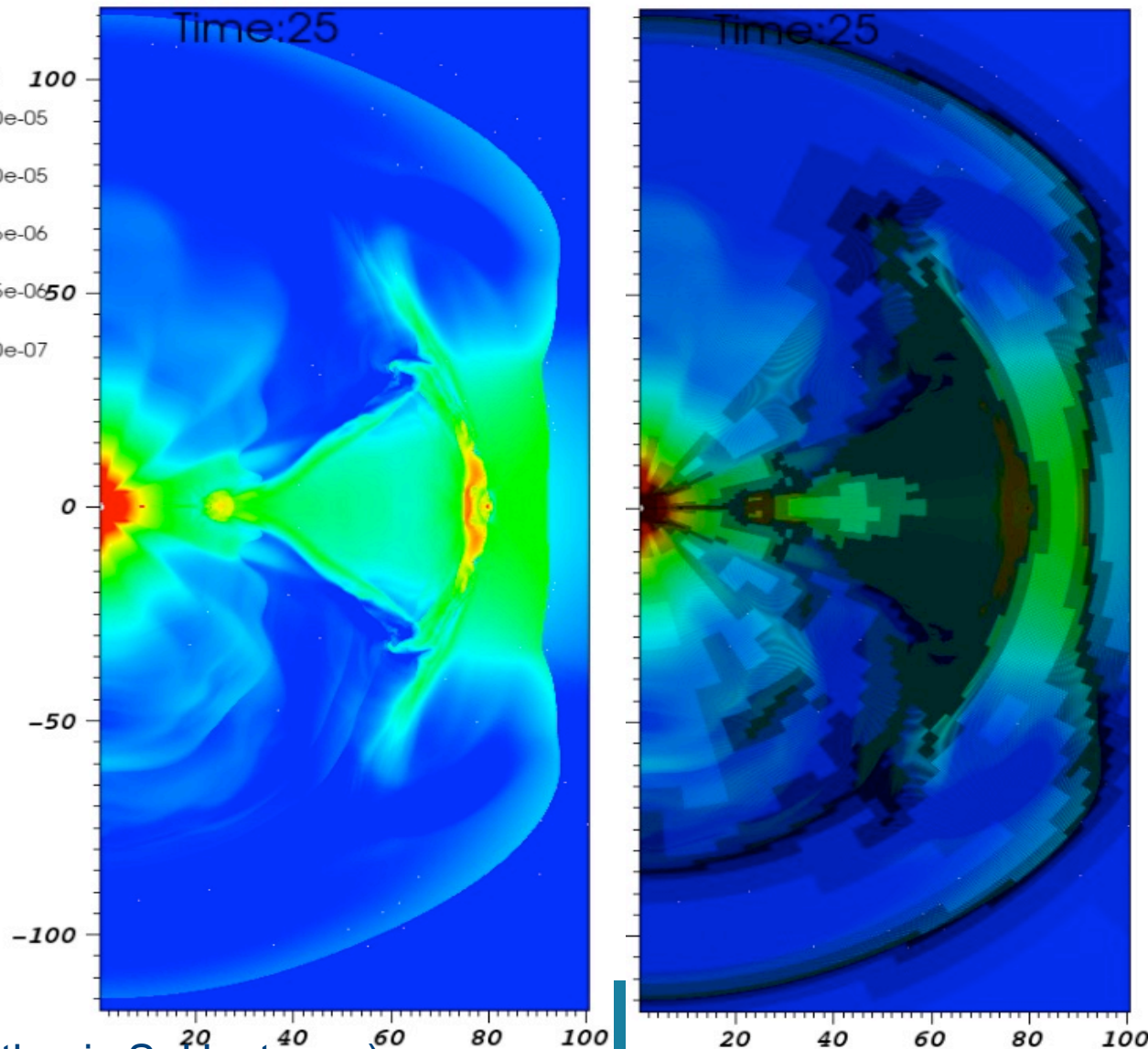
2D color plot of the density at 30h when the CME is ejected with an initial velocity of 1000 km/s.

AMR has been applied on the whole grid (5 levels) according to the gradient of the density.

(MSc thesis S. Hosteaux)

Developer Environment (DE)

- local workbench that assists model developers in making a Model compatible with the VSWMC

- should be an integrated DE, including:

  1. Visually editing the Model metadata;

  2. Configuring a local or remote VSWMC instance;

  3. Deploying a Model or Simulation to that VSWMC instance;

  4. Composing a Simulation visually based on the components available in the repositories of a particular VSWMC instance.

Summary

- The VSWMC-2 design phase is finished

- The VSWMC-2 will be **integrated in the SSA SWE system**, contain new models and new model couplings, including a first demonstration of an end-to-end simulation capability, a developed coupling toolkit, a front-end GUI (accessible via the SWE Portal), and an integrated visualization tool

- Will contain a **Developer Environment** (DE)
(*which will not be imposed on a Model Developer seeking compatibility with the VSWMC: it will be possible to deploy a Model without using the DE*)