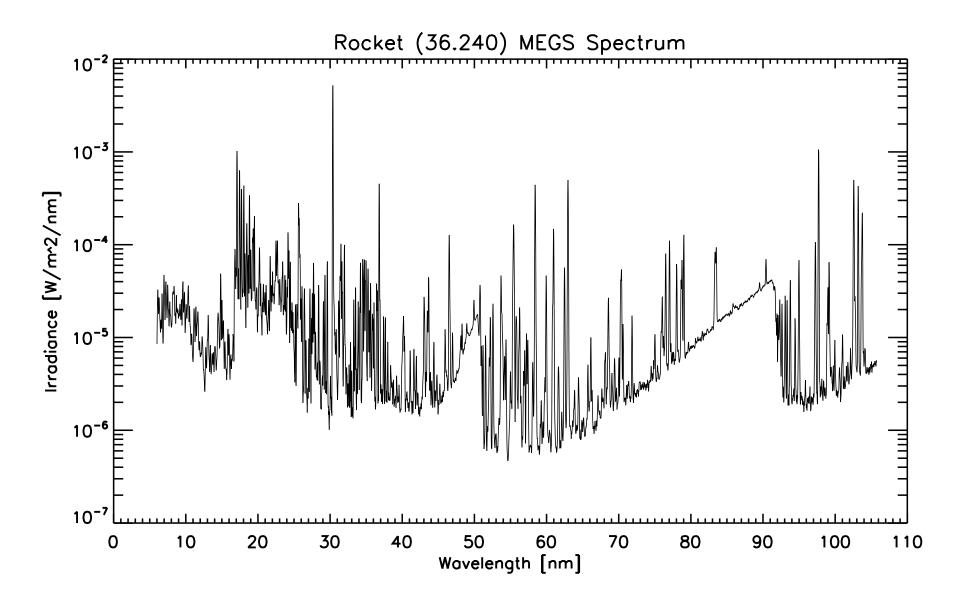
# Why does it matter? Solar Physics

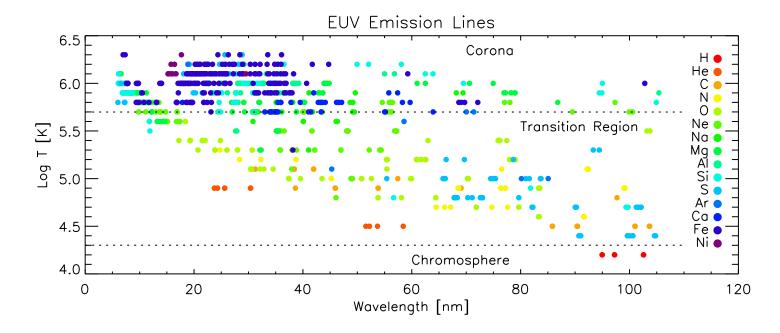
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What can this tell us about the Sun?

# What does the EUV irradiance measure?

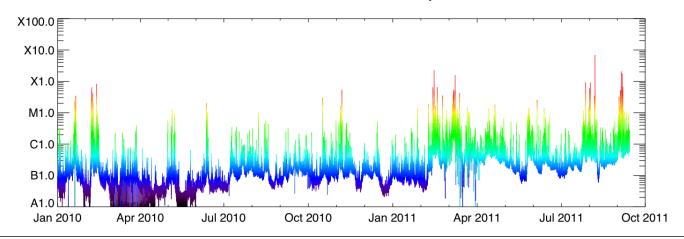
EUV → outer layers of the solar atmosphere



 Optically thin emission lines → temperature and amount of plasma at that temperature

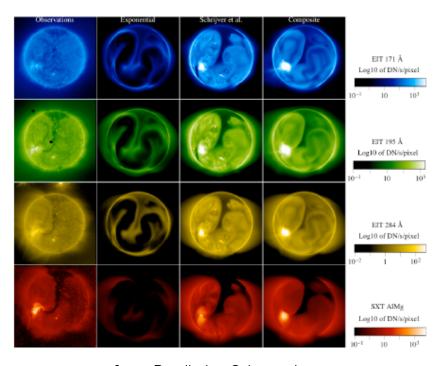
#### What can we learn?

- How is the corona heated?
- How is the EUV spectrum produced?
  - What is the corona's radiative loss function?
  - What are the relevant atomic data?
- What causes the corona to vary over all timescales?



### Coronal Models & Atomic Data

- Many modeling methods, including:
  - Empirical (FISM)
  - Image deconstruction (SPRM, DEM)
  - Global 3D MHD (PSI)
- Are the atomic data (CHIANTI) correct?



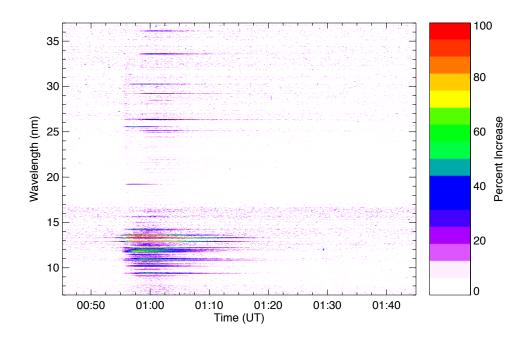
from Predictive Science, Inc.

# Understanding Images

- Solar EUV images:
  - Broadband and include many lines at a range of temperatures
  - Generally not radiometrically calibrated
- Solar physicists want to study images in terms of temperatures instead of wavelengths.
  - Use a spectrum and the temperature/strength of the lines to determine the temperature bandpass
  - Use multiple wavelengths to do an inversion
- EUV spectra that overlap spectrally and temporally with images can be used to calibrate the images.

#### Solar Flares & Transient Events

 During transient events (flares, coronal dimmings, etc), changes in the irradiance can be attributed to localize phenomenon by assuming that the rest of the Sun is not changing.



# Solar Physics Topics from EVE

- EUV late phase flares
- Properties of long duration events
- Relationship between CMEs and coronal dimmings
- Coronal oscillations
- Doppler shifts during flares
- Variations due to microflares

## Sun-Star Connection

- Irradiance is how we can connect the Sun to other stars
  - Stellar cycles
  - Stellar flares

