



Reconstructing solar irradiance since 1700 from simulated magnetograms



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Total solar irradiance and magnetic activity

- Total solar irradiance (**TSI**) is an important input to climate models.
- Before 1978, TSI can only be retrieved through **reconstructions** from proxies.
- Solar variability is driven by **magnetic features**.
- The longest direct proxies of the surface magnetism are **sunspot number records**.





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Emergence rate

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- Emergence of all BMRs described by a single powerlaw size distribution.
- Exponent varies with SN (ISNv2.0).

 AR more variable (factor 8) than ERs (factor 2) between minumum and maximum. (Harvey, 1993)













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• Magnetograms calculated by a Surface Flux Transport Model.









From magnetograms to TSI...







Magnetic features

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 Sunspots above threshold. (matching RGO/SOON sunspot areas)

 $B_{thr} = 200 G$

- Rest faculae and quiet Sun.
- Pixels may contain multiple features.
- Brightness from semi-empirical models, and depends on distance from disk center!











 AMRs (all regions) reproduce total magnetic flux measurement by ground-based observatories.

(no empirical parameter adjustment)

 LMRs 2 times SMRs at maximum, but <u>similar at minimum</u>.









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- Higher TSI level after Maunder Minimum compared to model with **only sunspot regions**, but similar to TSI from **cosmogenic isotopes**.







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- Computed total magnetic flux reproduces observed flux well, while including smaller spotless regions ($2-30 \times 10^{20} Mx$).
- **TSI** reconstruction reproduces observed **minimum levels** better than model with only sunspot regions.
- Computed TSI in good agreement with observations (PMOD) .
- Due to flux emergence of smaller regions during minima, smaller secular change since Maunder Minimum compared to model with only SN.





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