

Galactic cosmic rays as signatures of interplanetary transients

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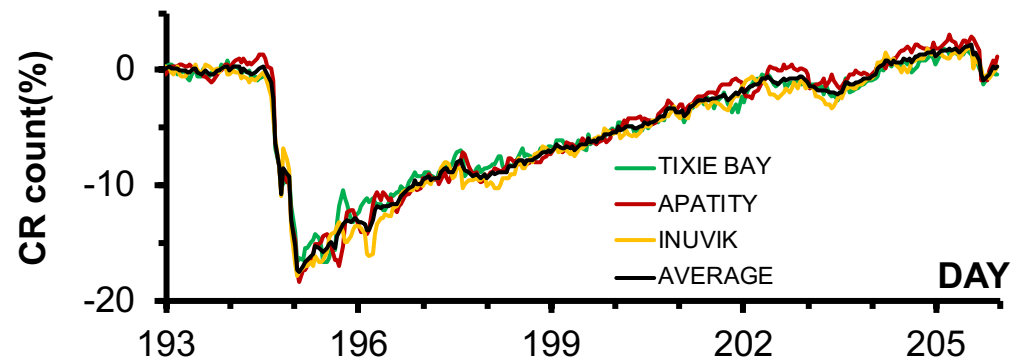
Forbush decreases

= short term decreases in GCR count

*(Forbush, 1937 and Hess & Demmelmair, 1937;
overviews by Lockwood, 1971; Cane, 2000; Belov, 2009)*

Example Forbush decrease detected in ground-based neutron monitor:

Dumbovic PhD thesis, 2015 (adapted from Cane, 2000)



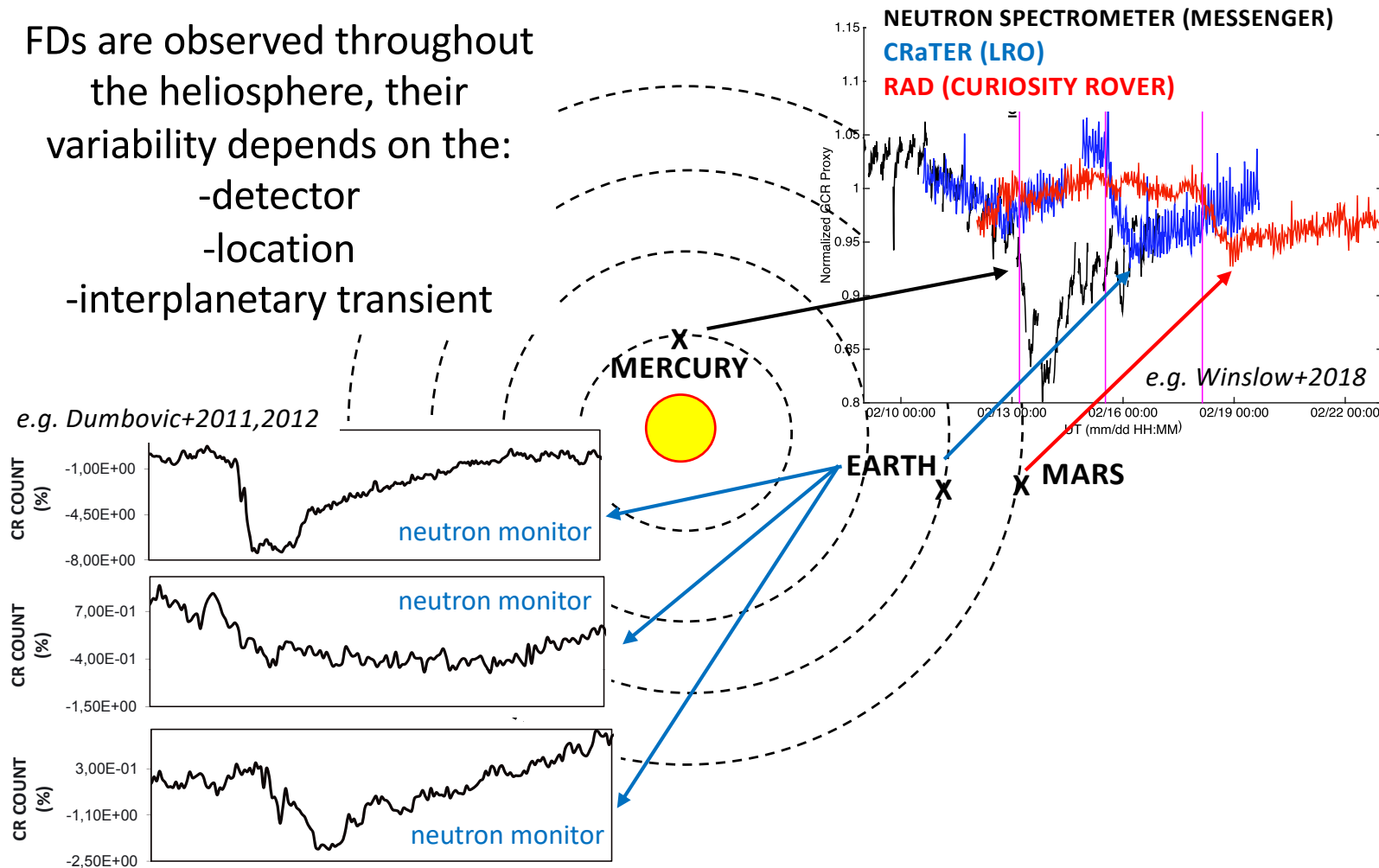
Typical duration - several days

Typical amplitudes - several %

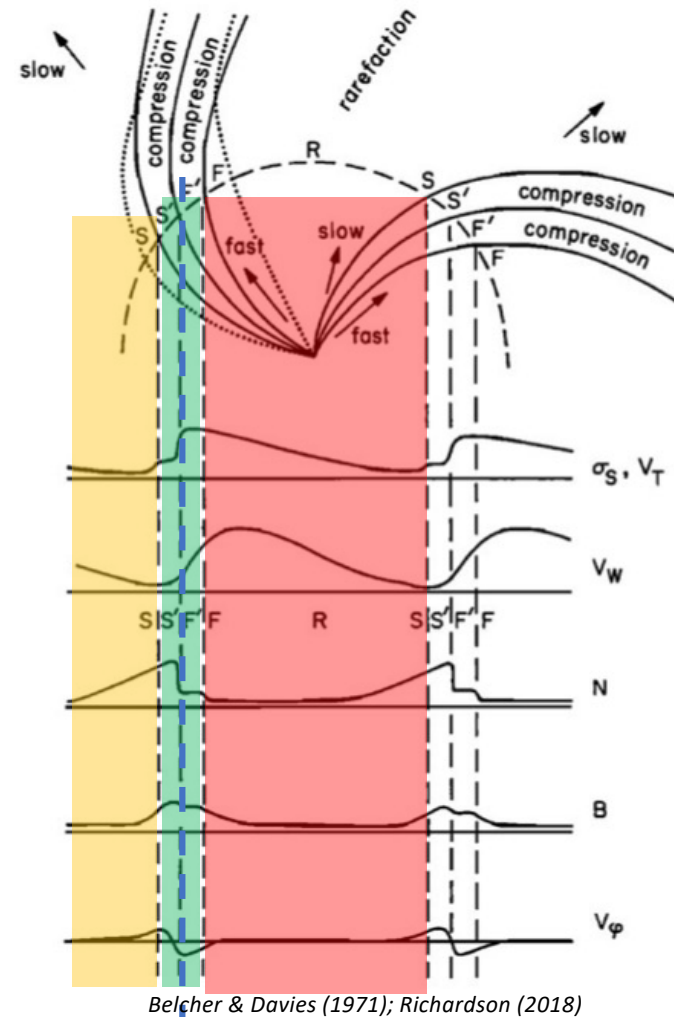
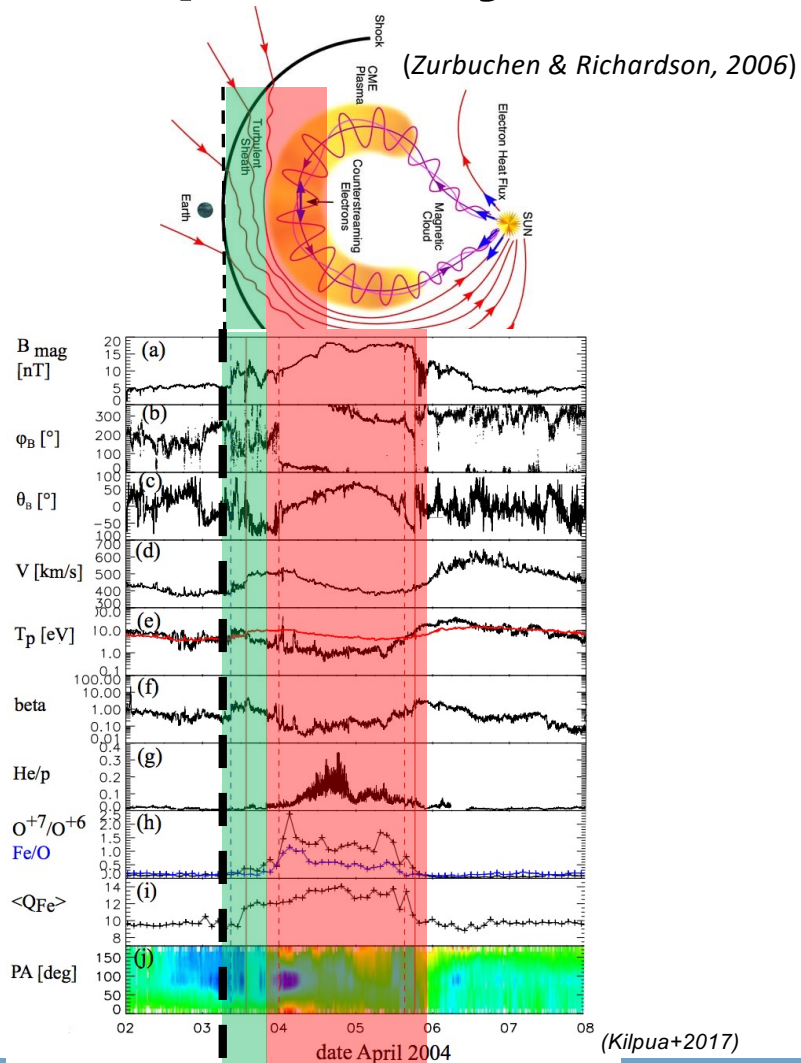
Variability of Forbush decreases

FDs are observed throughout the heliosphere, their variability depends on the:

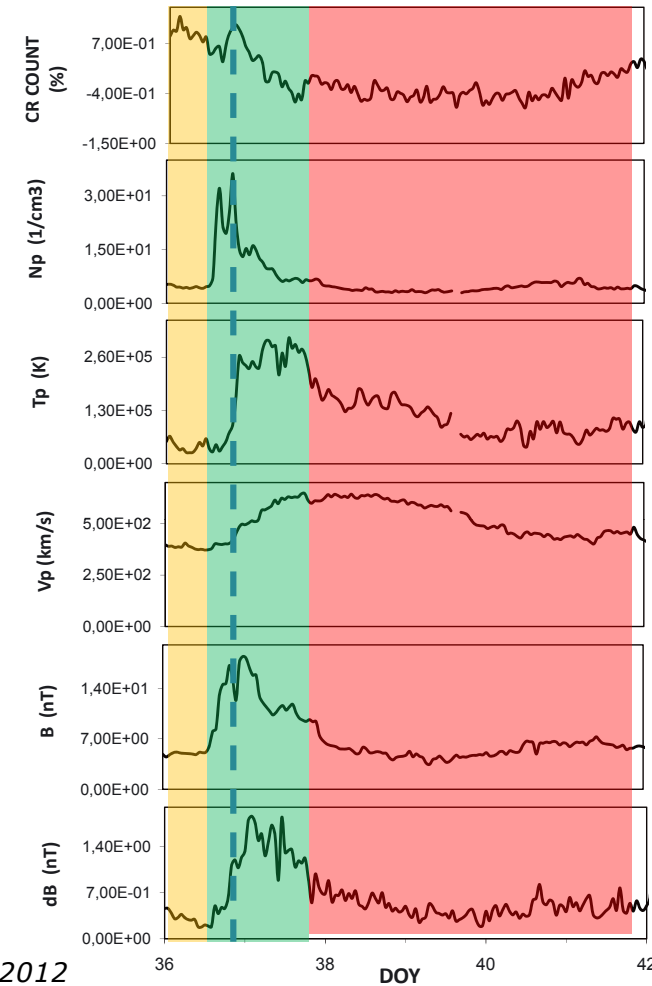
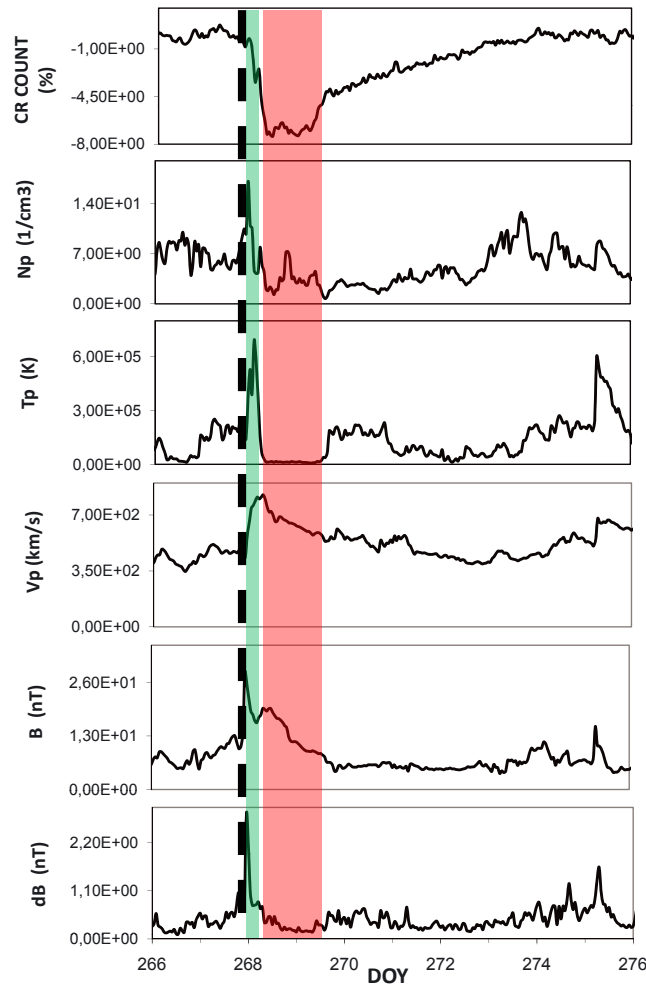
- detector
- location
- interplanetary transient



Interplanetary transients: ICMEs vs CIRs



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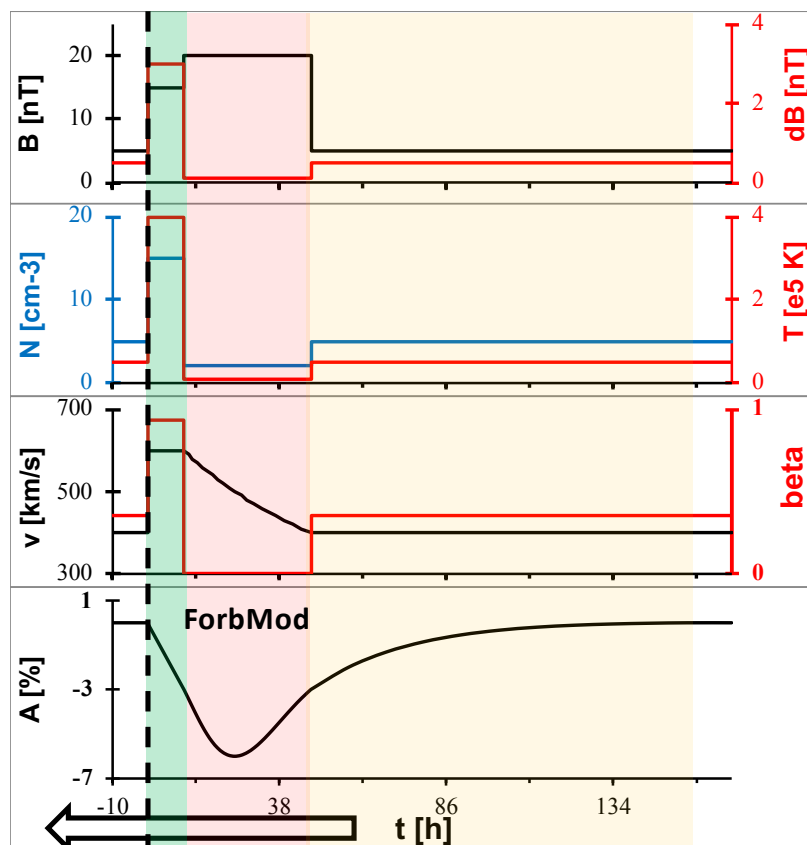
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(see also e.g. Badruddin & Kumar, 2016, Melkumyan+2018)

Forbush decrease modelling: ICMEs vs CIRs

ICMEs:

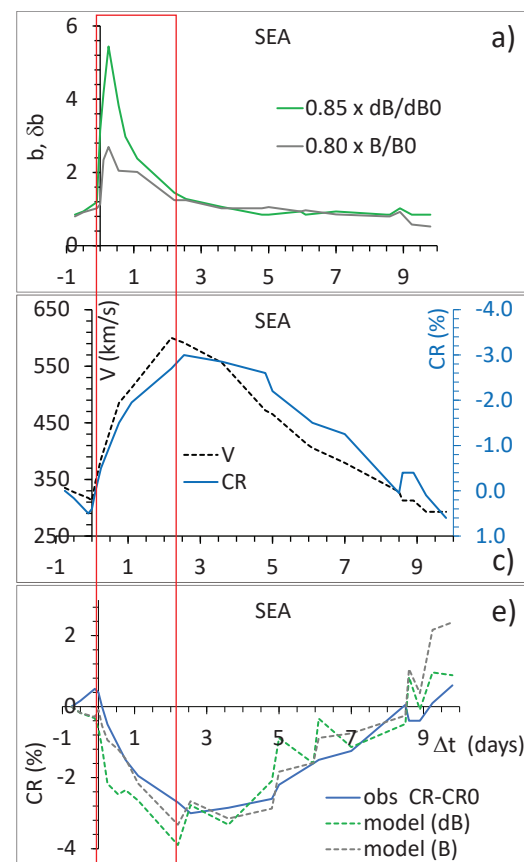
3 different models – 3 different regions
Flux rope region: diffusion based model



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CIRs:

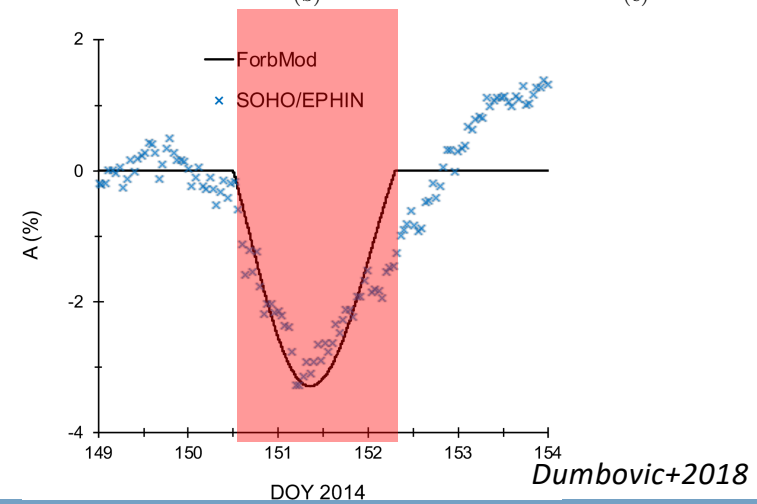
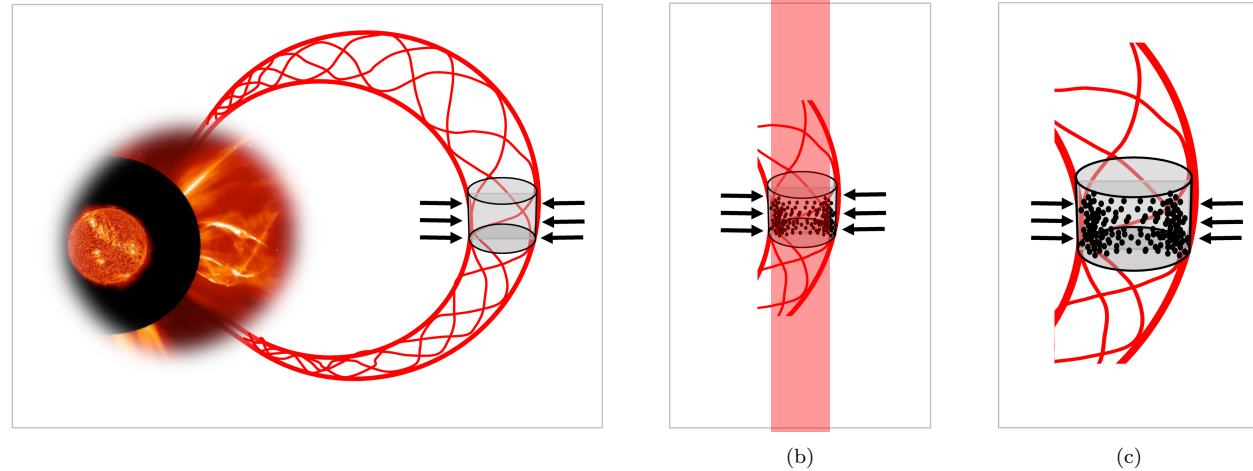
convection-diffusion based model



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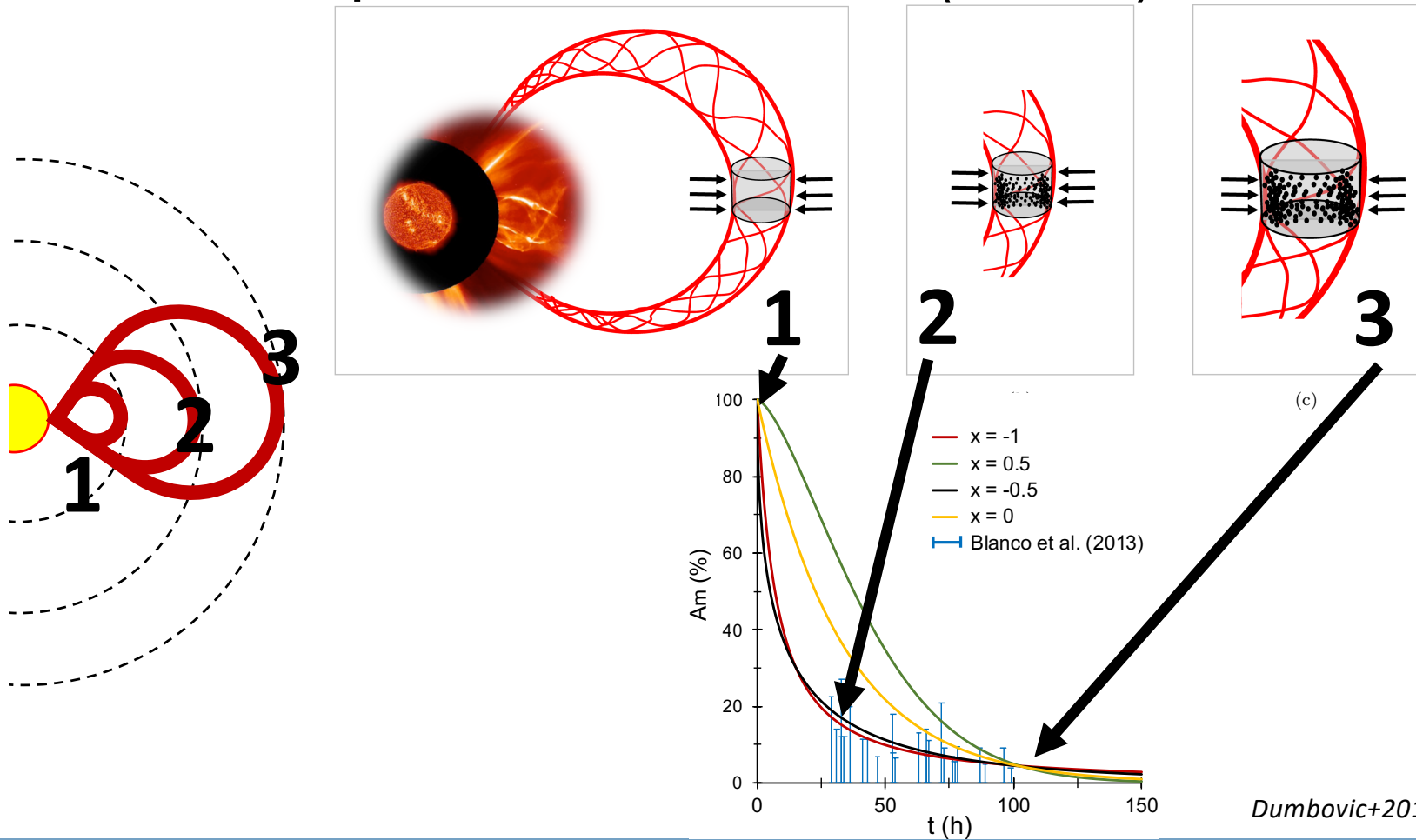
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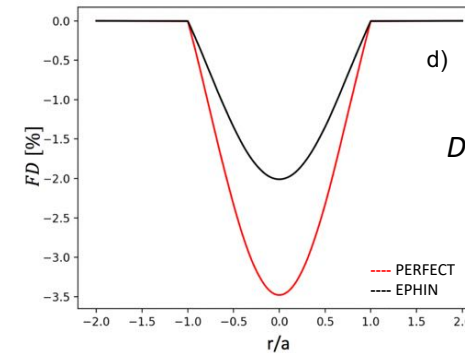
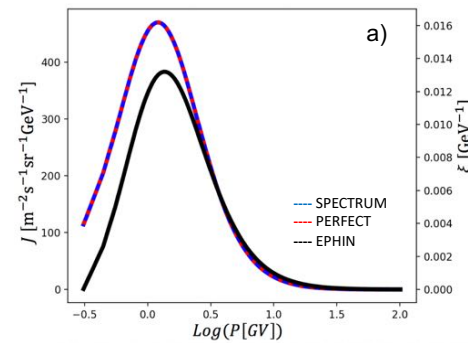
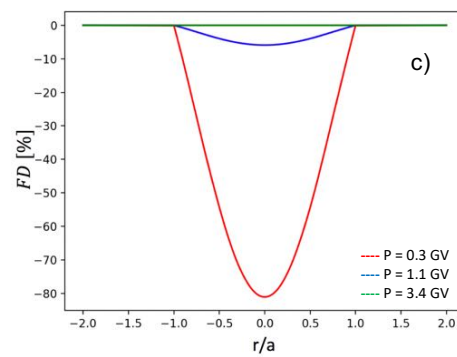
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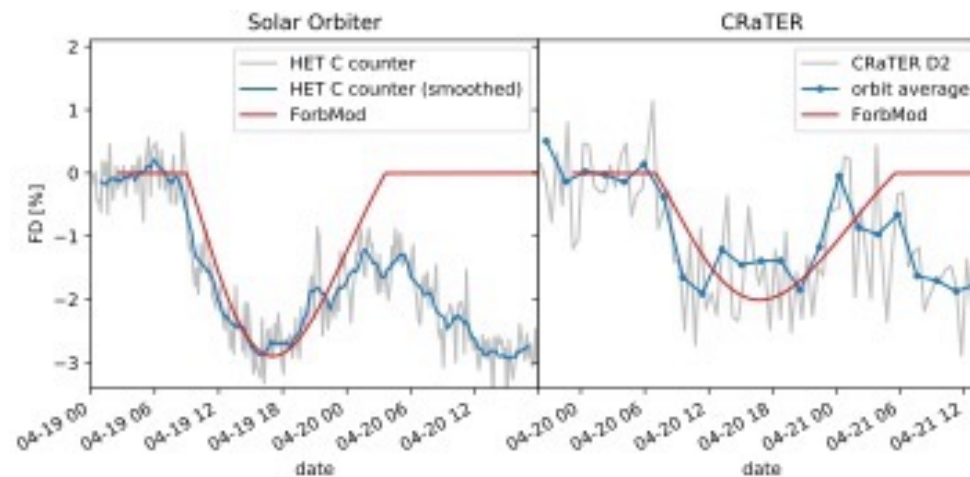


Forbush decrease modelling: energy dependence

Particles of different energies diffuse differently → energy response of the detector also governs the FD amplitude



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Future perspective: FD best-fit procedure: in development

