

[7SO-07] Statistical Study of Coronal Mass Ejections Observed by Mk4 Coronameter

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Most of Coronal Mass Ejection (CME) studies so far have been done using LASCO C2/C3 onboard SOHO spacecraft. However, the observation range of LASCO C2/C3 is limited above $2 R_{\odot}$. We report the statistical kinematic properties of CMEs observed by Mk4 coronameter of Mauna Loa Solar Observatory, which covers the range between 1.08 and $2.8 R_{\odot}$. We analyze the statistical properties of position angle, speed, and acceleration of relatively well observed CMEs between 1999 and 2005, and compare the result with that of LASCO C2/C3.

[7SO-08] COMPARING DIRECTIONAL PARAMETERS OF VERY FAST HALO CMEs

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We examine geoeffective directional parameters of coronal mass ejections(CMEs). We select 30 front-side halo CMEs from SOHO LASCO CMEs whose speed is larger than 1000km/s and longitude is less than 30° . These are thought to be the most plausible candidate of geoeffective CMEs. We examine the relation between CMEs directional parameters(Earthward direction, eccentricity, Δ distance and central angle parameter) and the minimum value of the Dst index. We have found that the Earthward direction parameter has a good correlation with the Dst index, the eccentricity parameter has a much better correlation with the Dst index. The Δ distance and central angle parameter has a poor correlation with the Dst index. It's, however, well correlated with the Dst index in very strong geomagnetic storms. Most of CMEs causing very strong storms($\text{Dst} \leq -200\text{nT}$) are found to have large Earthward direction parameter($D \geq 0.6$), small eccentricity, Δ distance and central angle parameters($E \leq 0.4$, ΔX and $\sin\theta \leq 0.2$). These directional parameters are very important parameters that control the geoeffectiveness of very fast front-side halo CMEs.