



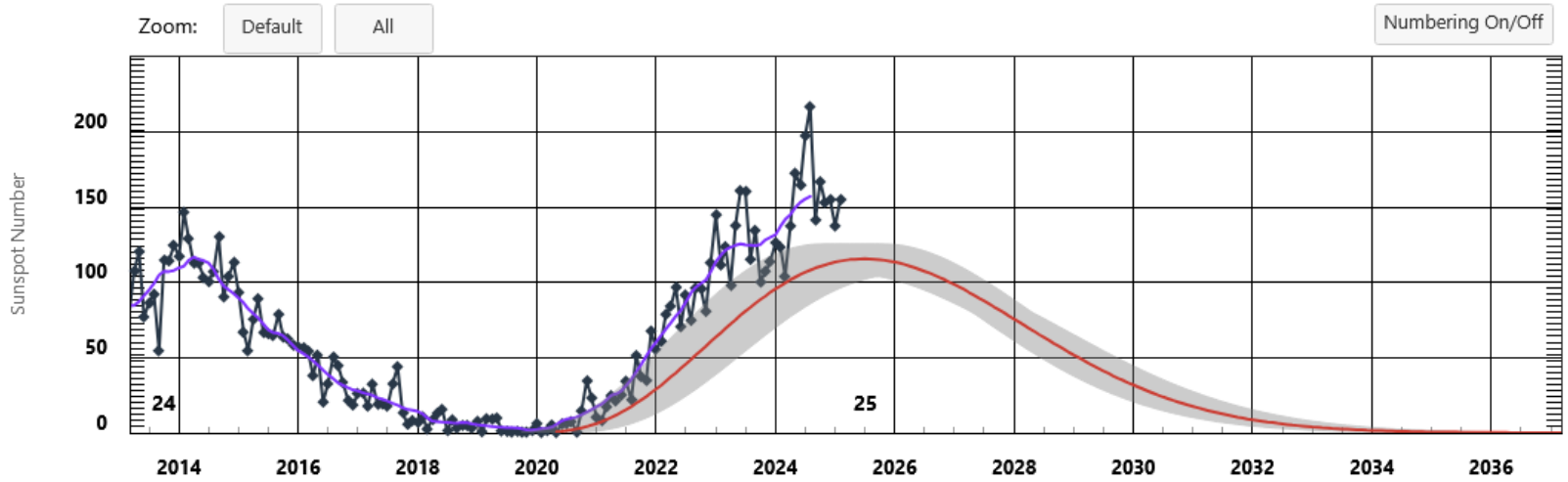
# **SOLAR WEATHER**

## **4 MAR 2025**

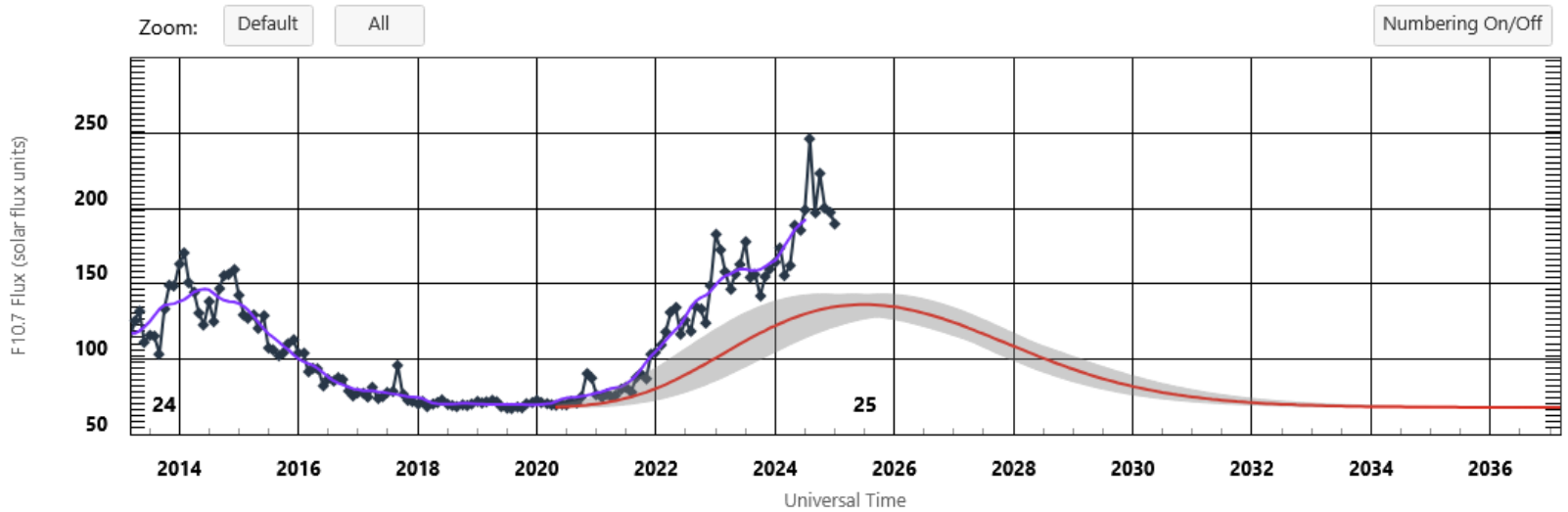
**Lewis Thompson**  
**W5IFQ**

Taken by Kieran  
Metcalf on February  
27, 2025 @ North of  
Tromsø, Norway

### ISES Solar Cycle Sunspot Number Progression



### ISES Solar Cycle F10.7cm Radio Flux Progression



Indices: (3/4 @ 00:35 UTC)    SFI **145** ▲ 5    SSN **99**

### 3 Day Geomagnetic Forecast


Mar. 04	Mar. 05	Mar. 06
<b>5 (G1)</b>	<b>5 (G1)</b>	<b>2-3 (G0)</b>
<i>Max Kp</i>		
M-Lat 30%	M-Lat 30%	M-Lat 05%
H-Lat 65%	H-Lat 65%	H-Lat 30%
<i>Probabilities</i>		

[Click HERE for latest forecast](#)

[Detailed Forecast](#)

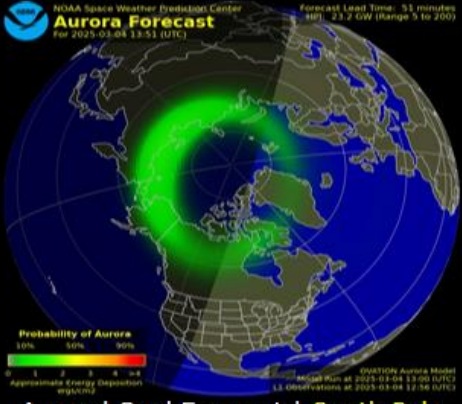
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**Current Moon Phase:**  
**27%** Illumination  
 Waxing Crescent



### Geomagnetic Field and Aurora

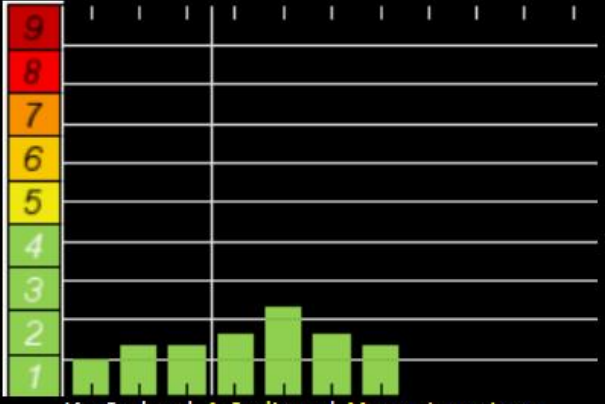
Past 24 Hours    **Quiet**



NOAA Space Weather Prediction Center  
**Aurora Forecast**  
 For 2025-03-04 13:51 (UTC)  
 Forecast Lead Time: 51 minutes  
 Kp: 23.7 G1 (Range 9 to 200)

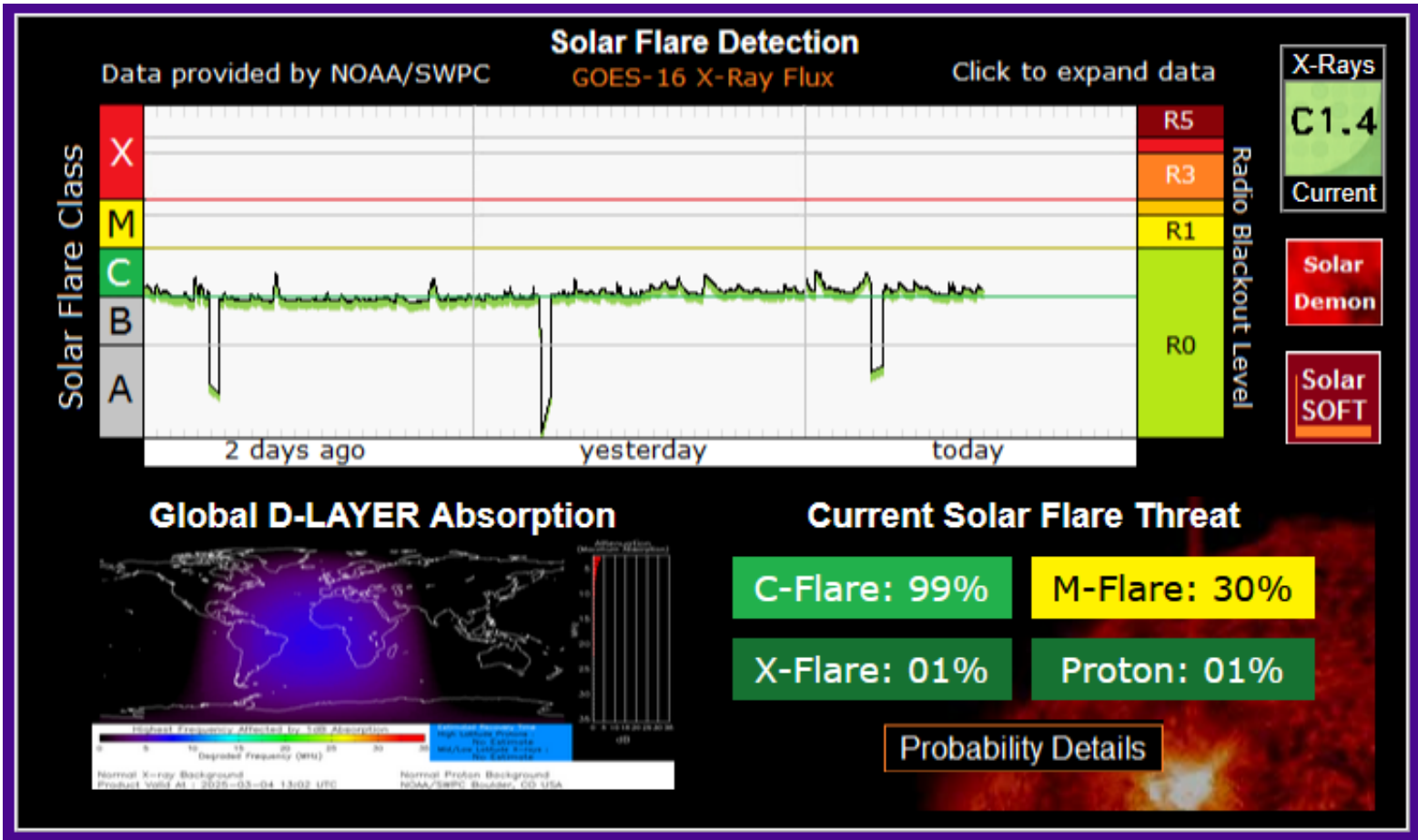
Probability of Aurora  
 10% 50% 90%

Auroral Oval Forecast | South Pole



Kp-Index | A-Indices | Magnetometers

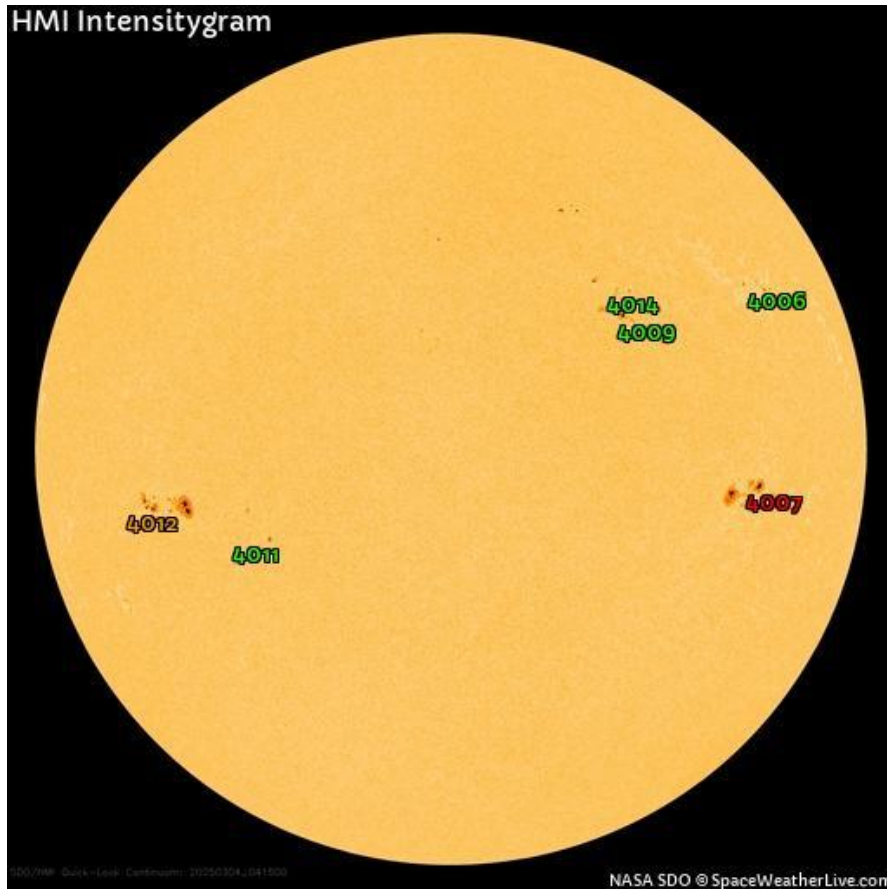
# SolarHam



# Sun Spots



HMI Intensitygram



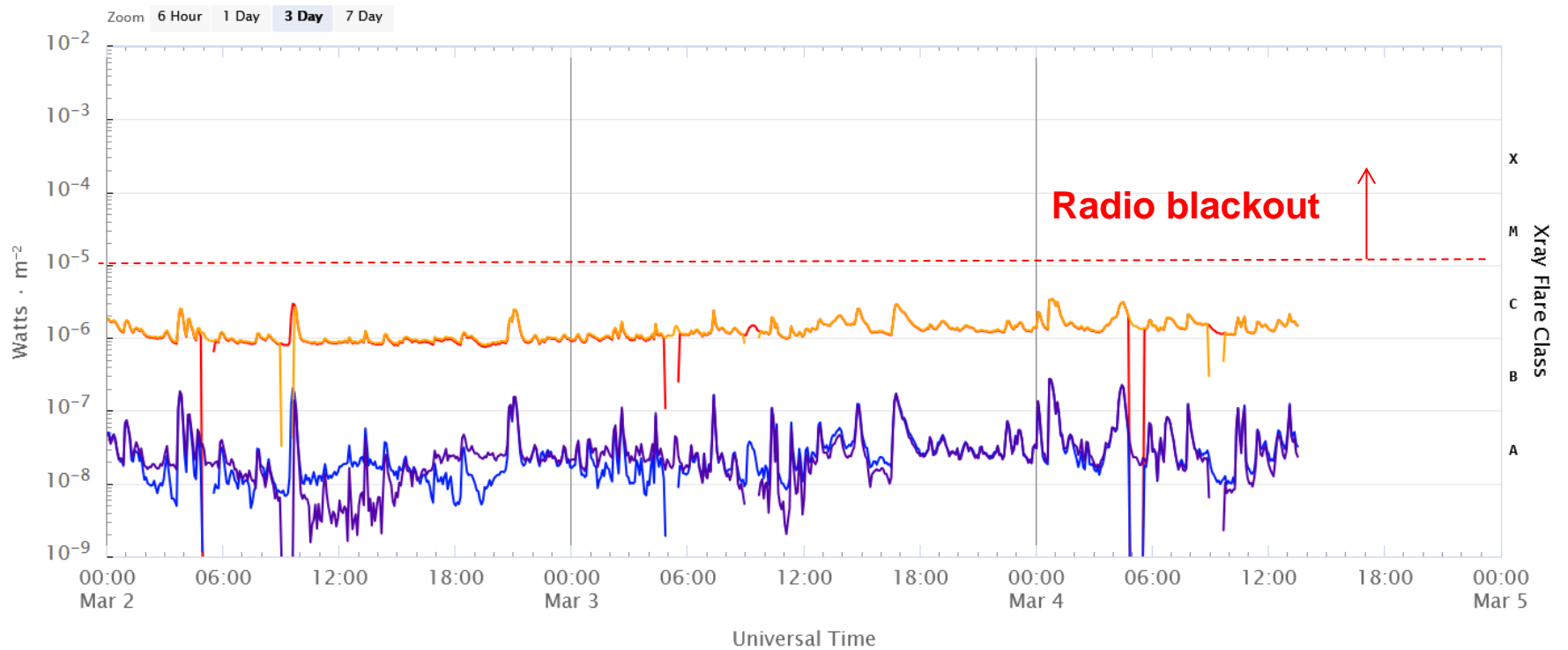
Sunspot regions

Region	Number of sunspots	Class Magn. ?	Class Spot ?
4006	13	$\beta$	CAI
4007	14	$\beta$ - $\gamma$	DAI
4009	10	$\beta$	CAO
4011	4	$\beta$	BXO
4012	16	$\beta$ - $\gamma$	DKI
4014	6	$\beta$	CRI
4015	3	$\beta$	CRO

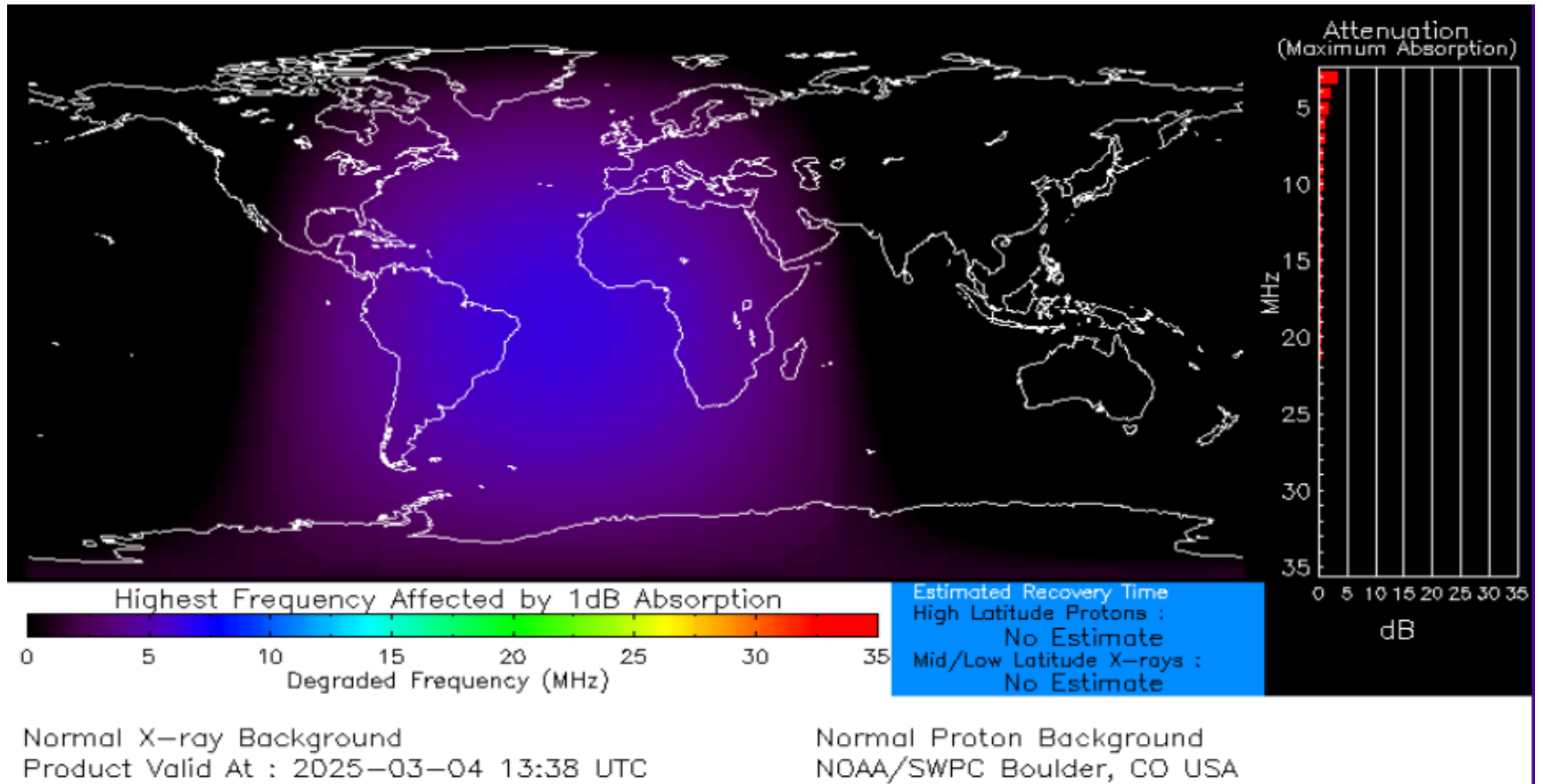
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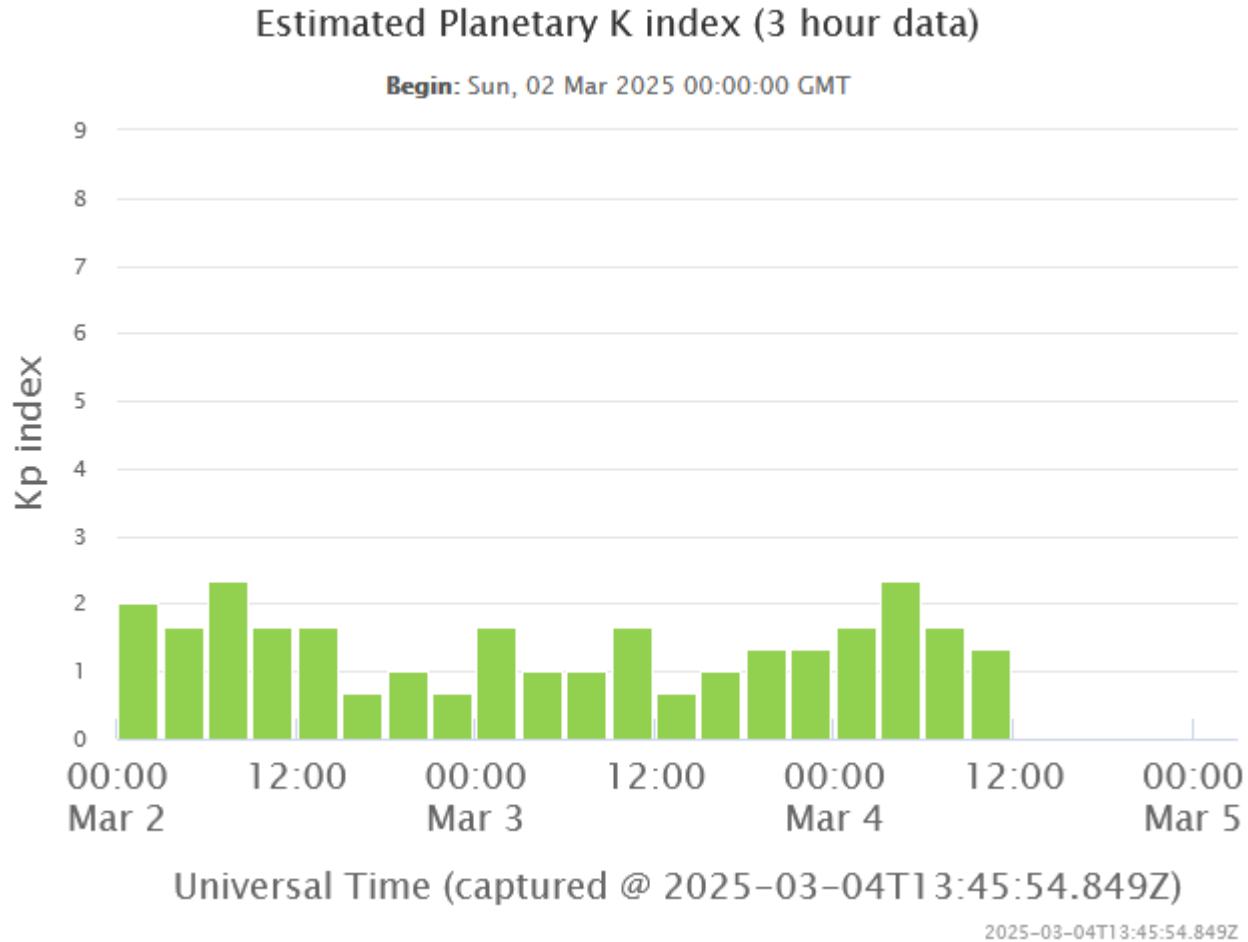
# Solar X-Ray Flux: 2 – 5 MAR 2025



# NOAA – D-Region Absorption Predictions



# Earth's Geomagnetic Activity



# Geomagnetic Conditions: 4 MAR 2025

Solar wind:

$B_z = -2$  nT

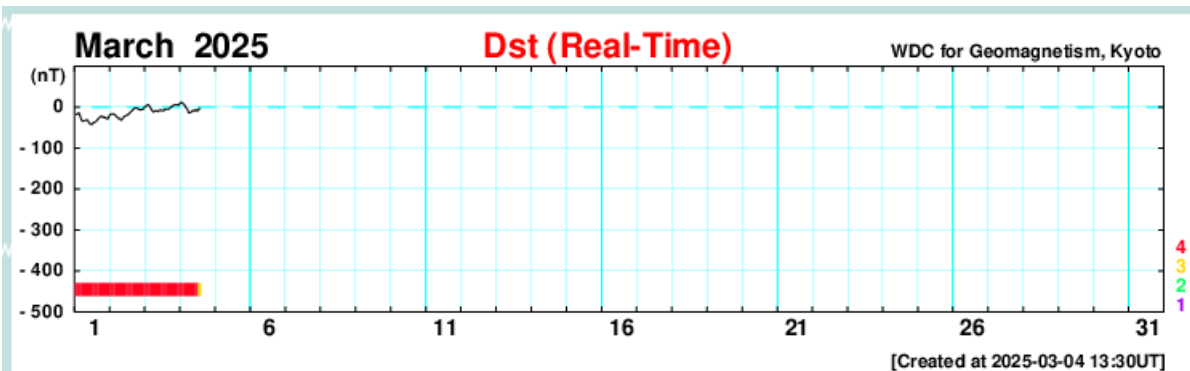
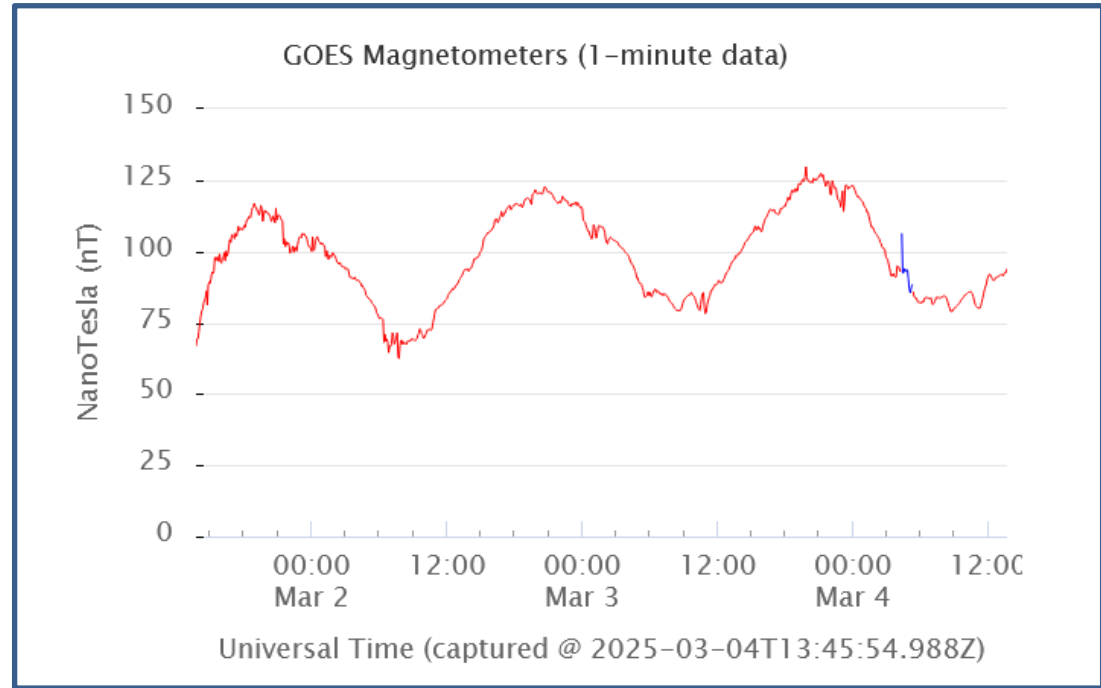
speed = 479 km/sec

density = 1.42 protons/cm<sup>3</sup>

(From – NOAA DSCOVR  
In L1, Lagrange Point)

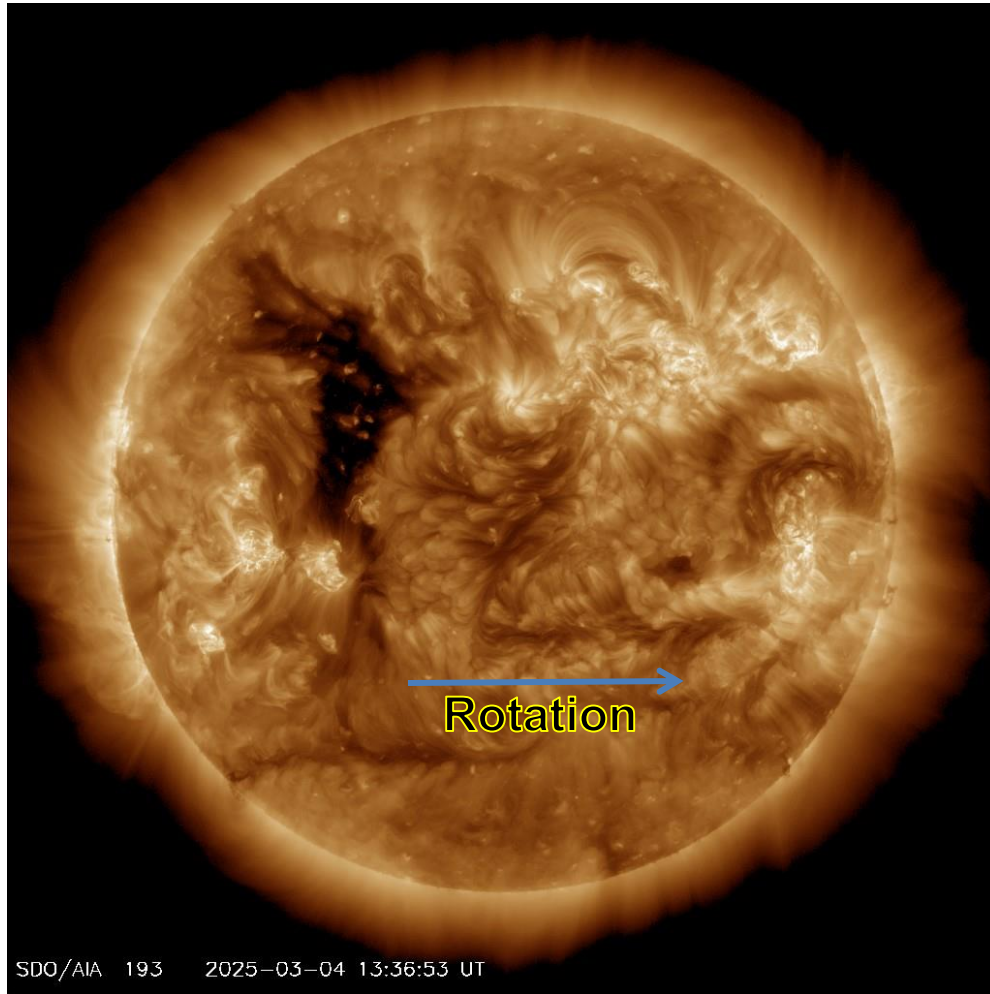
Dst = -2 nT (Ring Field)

(From – Data Analysis Center  
For Geomagnetism and Space  
Magnetism – Kyoto University)



From – GOES 16  
In geostationary orbit

# Coronal Holes – 4 MAR 2025



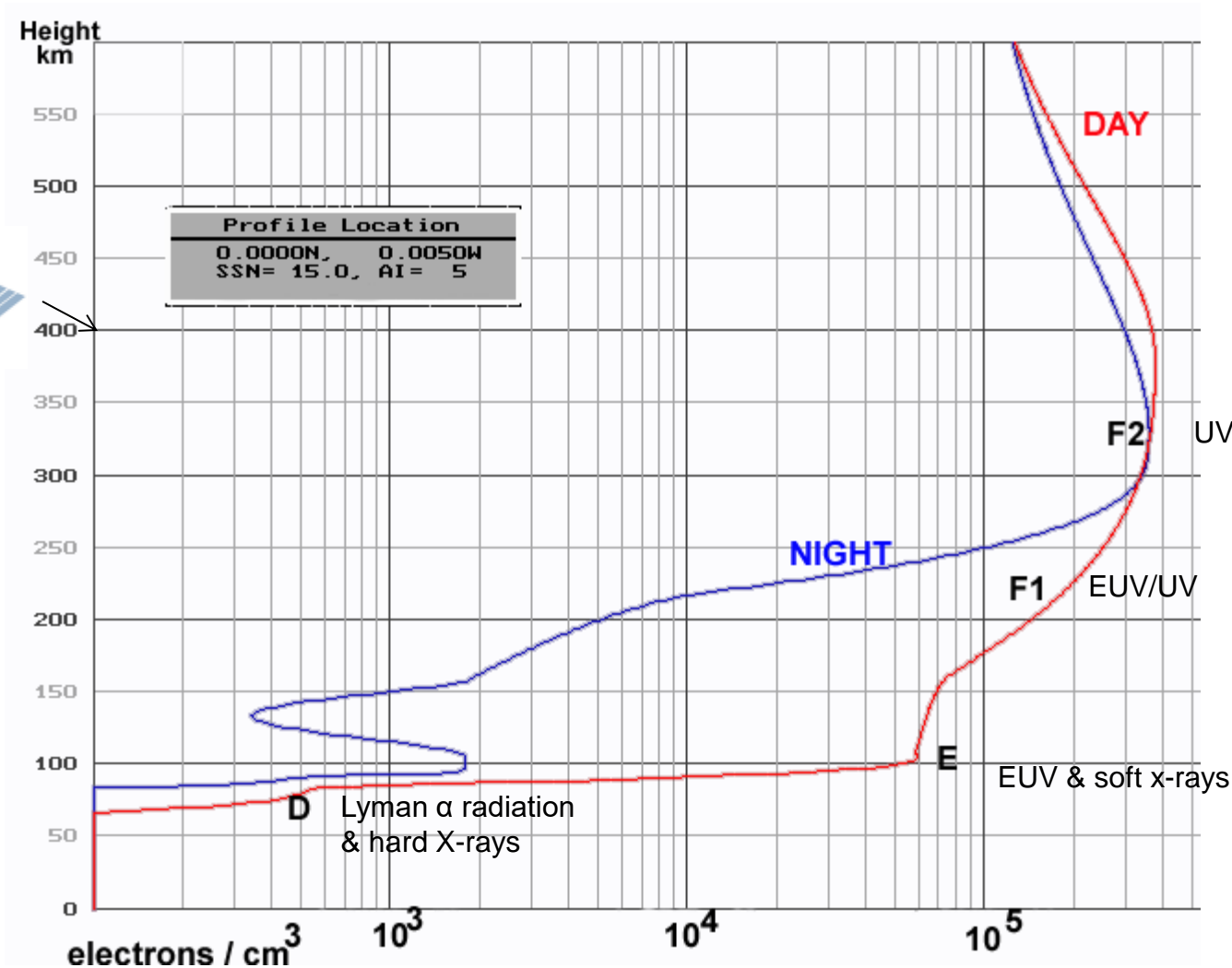
Analysis:

A recurrent trans equatorial negative polarity coronal hole (CH1274) will be Earth facing on March 5-7

# Ionosphere Creation



Gravity  
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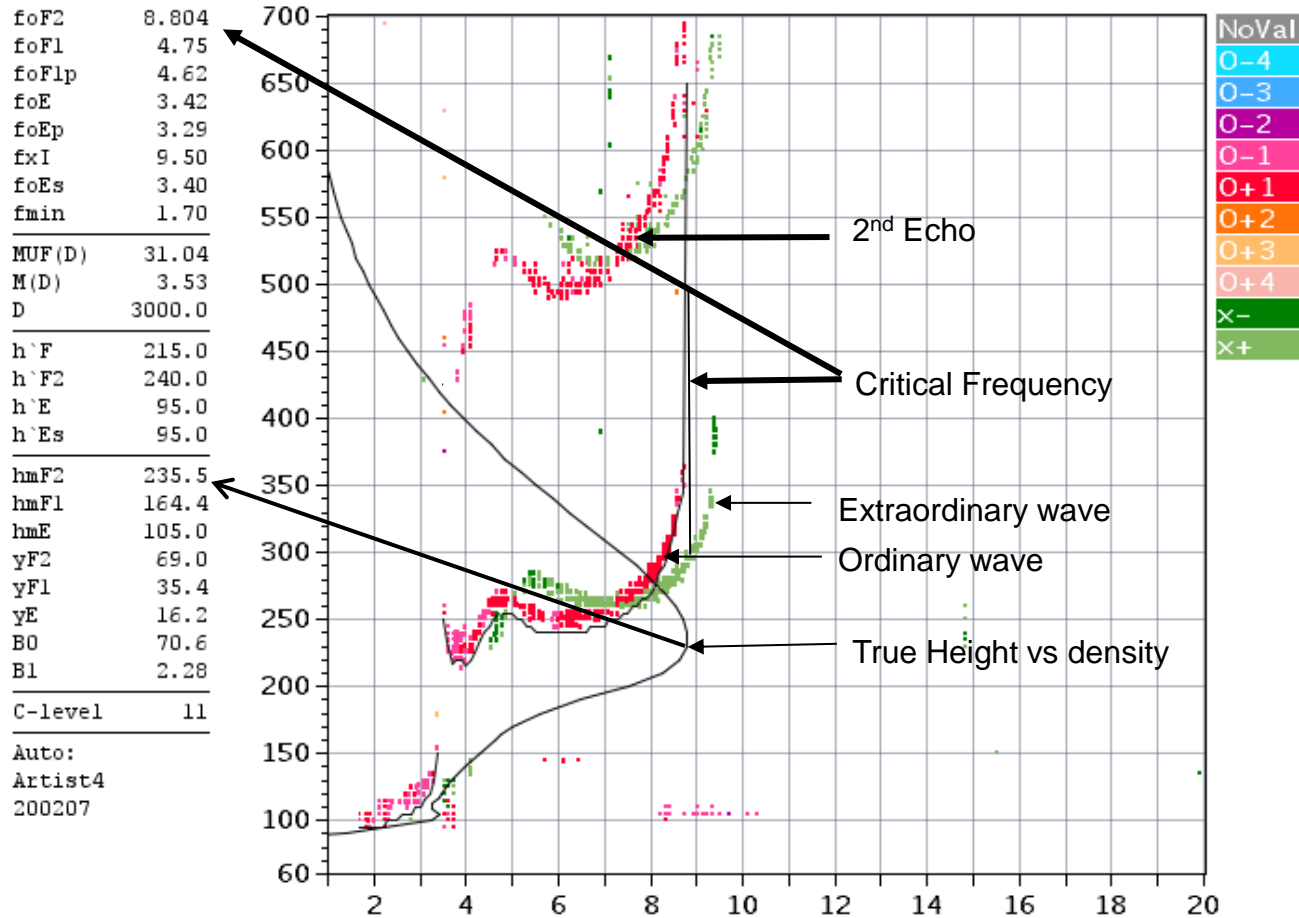
Solar Radiation  
↓

Monoatomic oxygen

# Ionogram Interpretation



Statio YYYY DAY DDD HHMMSS P1 FFS S AXN PPS IGA PS  
 Austin 2013 Jan03 003 185505 MMM 1 045 100 32+ A1



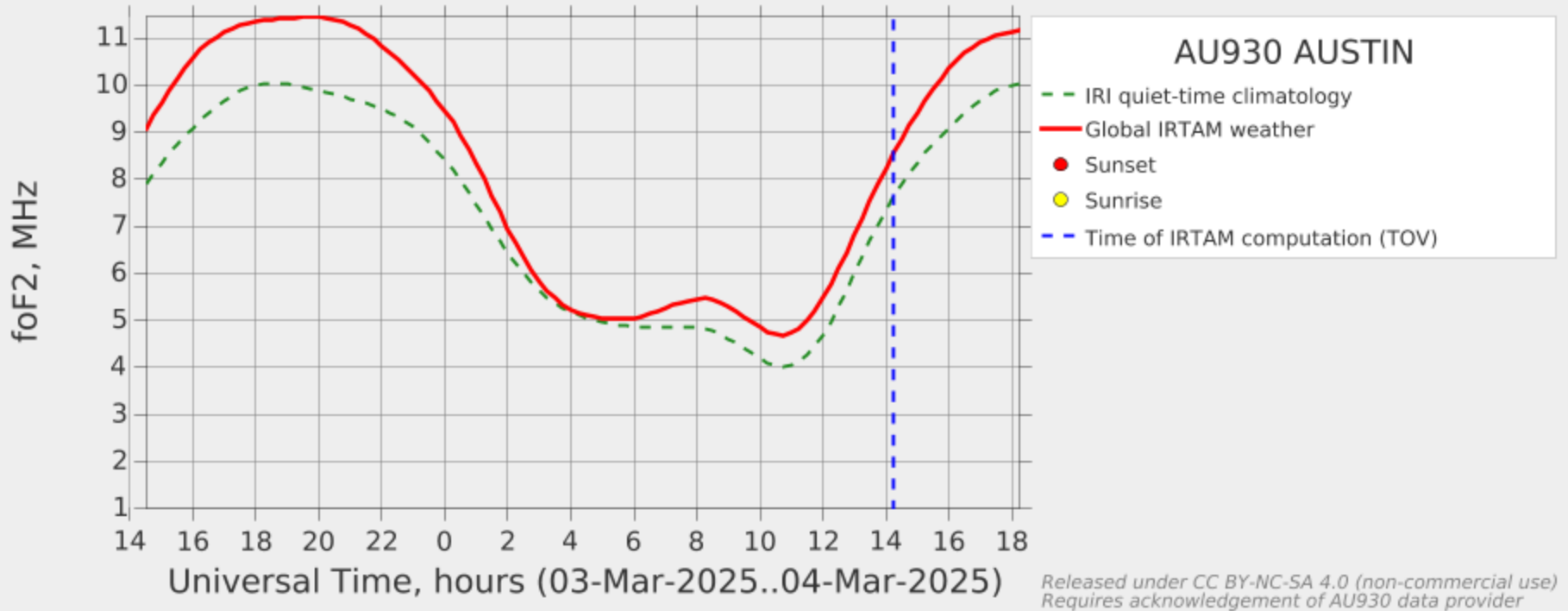
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fmin	1.70
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MUF(D)	31.04
M(D)	3.53
D	3000.0
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h`F	215.0
h`F2	240.0
h`E	95.0
h`Es	95.0
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hmF2	235.5
hmF1	164.4
hmE	105.0
yF2	69.0
yF1	35.4
yE	16.2
B0	70.6
B1	2.28
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D 100 200 400 600 800 1000 1500 3000 [km] ← Oblique propagation MUF Chart  
 MUF 9.4 9.5 10.0 10.8 12.0 13.7 18.5 31.0 [MHz] i.e. 31 MHz to 3000 km

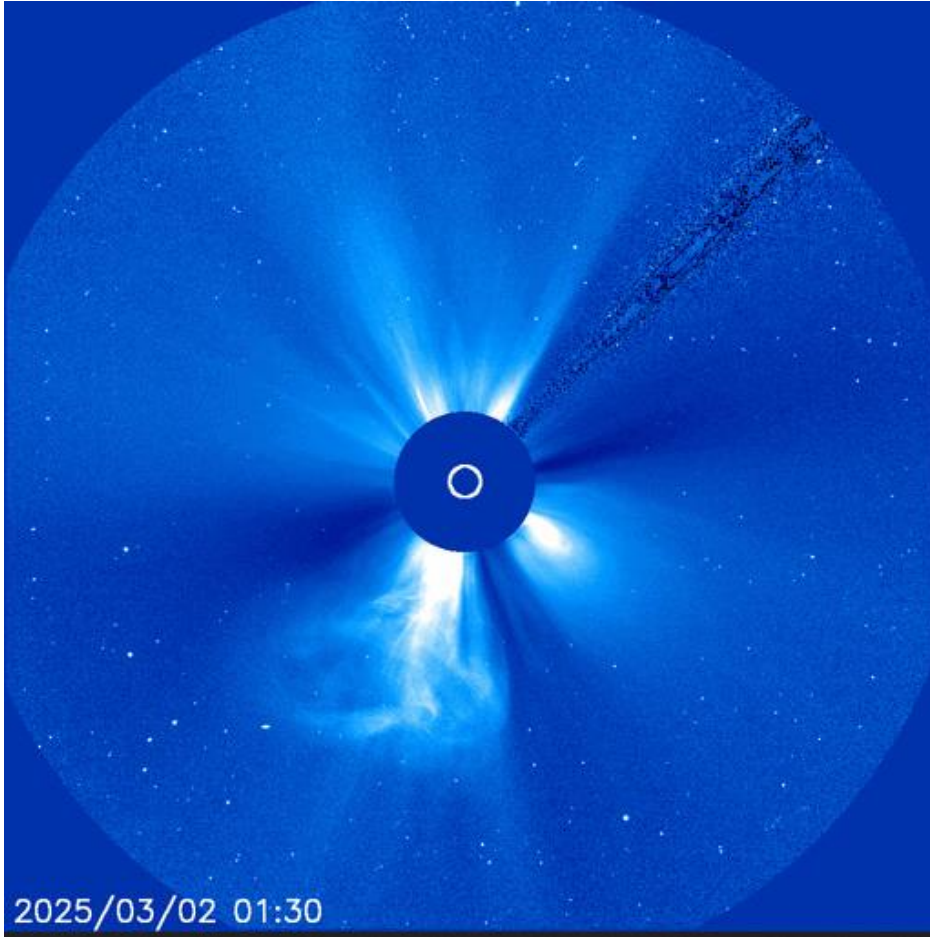
# Austin Ionosonde Down

- The Austin Ionosonde is down due to a failed primary (C:) Hard Disk failure. ARL:UT is attempting repairs but has no funding.

# GAMBIT – Trending Chart for Austin Ionosonde



# Notable Recent Events



**A CME IS COMING:** On Mar. 1st, a magnetic filament on the sun erupted and hurled [a CME](#) into space. NOAA forecasters say [it will graze Earth](#) on **March 4th or 5th**, potentially sparking a [G1](#)-class geomagnetic storm. High latitude sky watchers should be alert for auroras if/when the CME arrives

# Solar Weather Data

The screenshot shows the 'Region 6 Army MARS' website. The main content area is partially obscured by a dark green overlay with the text 'REGION 6 ARMY MARS' and 'Military Auxiliary Radio System'. A navigation menu is visible on the right side, listing 'Home', 'What is MARS?', 'Join', 'Contact Us', 'Solar Weather', and 'Login'. A red arrow points from the 'Solar Weather' menu item to the 'Solar Weather' text in the main content area. Another red arrow points from the 'Menu' label to the navigation menu.

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REGION 6 ARMY MARS

Military Auxiliary Radio System

WHO WE ARE

The Military Auxiliary Radio System (MARS) is a group of dedicated citizen volunteers who support communications to the Department of Defense (DoD) in a variety of circumstances, including complex include telecommunication/cyber denied or impaired environments.

Solar Weather

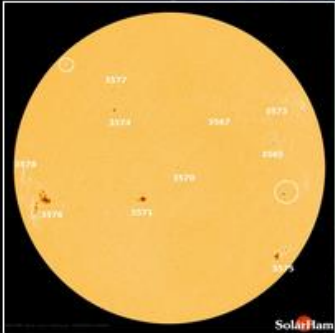
All Ionosondes  
GAMBIT URL  
Austin Ionosonde

- [GAMBIT](#) - Global Assimilative Model of Bottomside Ionosphere Timeline
- [Austin](#)
- [Boulder](#)
- [Eglin](#)
  
- [NOAA Solar Weather](#) - Solar Weather plots of Kp and X-Ray and other solar emissions.
- [Solen Solar Weather](#) - Good general solar forecast from an individual.
- [Solar Ham](#) - SolarHam provides real time solar news, as well as consolidated data from various sources.

## Space Weather for February 6, 2024

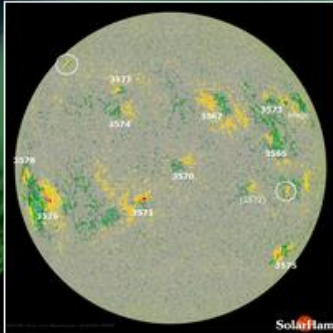
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**UTC Time 13:45:49 Tuesday**



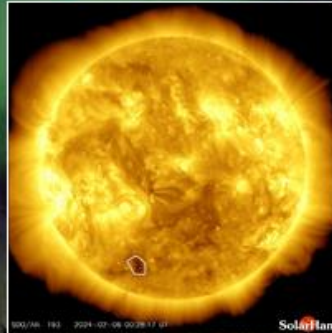
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**HMI Magnetogram**

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**Coronal Holes**

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**SUVI 131 (Latest)**

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**SUVI 304 (Latest)**

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## Current Conditions

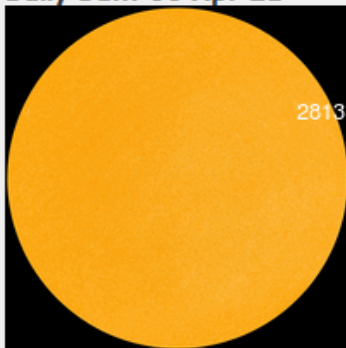
### Solar wind

speed: **314.8** km/sec  
density: **9.9** protons/cm<sup>3</sup>  
more data: [ACE](#), [DSCOVR](#)  
Updated: Today at 1225 UT

### X-ray Solar Flares

6-hr max: **A1** 1027 UT Apr06  
24-hr: **A1** 1515 UT Apr05  
[explanation](#) | [more data](#)  
Updated: Today at: 1230 UT

### Daily Sun: 06 Apr 21



Sunspot AR2813 is decaying, and poses no threat for strong flares.  
Credit: SDO/HMI

**FLYING TO THE VOLCANO:** Iceland's Geldingadalur volcano has turned into an popular tourist attraction—especially since auroras were sighted [above the glowing lava](#). Early this morning, Tuesday, April 6th, Brian Emfinger saw auroras before he even reached the Reykjanes peninsula:



# QUESTIONS?

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