

Sympathetic Standard and Blowout Coronal Jets Observed in a Polar Coronal Hole

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Abstract

We present the sympathetic eruption of a standard and a blowout coronal jet originating from two adjacent coronal bright points (CBP1 and CBP2) in a polar coronal hole, using soft X-ray and extreme-ultraviolet observations respectively taken by the Hinode and the Solar Dynamics Observatory. In the event, a collimated jet with obvious westward lateral motion first launched from CBP1, during which a small bright point appeared around CBP1's east end, and magnetic flux cancellation was observed within the eruption source region. Based on these characteristics, we interpret the observed jet as a standard jet associated with photospheric magnetic flux cancellation. About 15 minutes later, the westward-moving jet spire interacted with CBP2 and resulted in magnetic reconnection between them, which caused the formation of the second jet above CBP2 and the appearance of a bright loop system in between the two CBPs. In addition, we observed the writhing, kinking, and violent eruption of a small kink structure close to CBP2's west end but inside the jet base, which made the second jet brighter and broader than the first one. These features suggest that the second jet should be a blowout jet triggered by the magnetic reconnection between CBP2 and the spire of the first jet. We conclude that the two successive jets were physically connected to each other rather than a temporal coincidence, and this observation also suggests that coronal jets can be triggered by external eruptions or disturbances, as well as internal magnetic activities or magnetohydrodynamic instabilities.

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1. Introduction

Coronal jets, a ubiquitous phenomenon in the solar atmosphere, are heated plasma flows moving along magnetic field lines showing as collimated or two-sided ejections (e.g., Shibata et al. 1992; Yokoyama & Shibata 1995; Shen et al. 2011, 2019b; Yang et al. 2019a; Shen 2021; Zheng et al. 2018; Hong et al. 2016); they can occur in active regions, quiet-Sun regions, and corona holes; and their lengths, widths, lifetimes, and velocities are in the ranges of a few $\times 10^4$ to 4×10^5 km, 5×10^3 to 10^5 km, a few minutes to over 10 hours and 10 to 10^3 km s^{-1} , respectively (Shimojo et al. 1996, 1998; Shen 2021). Previous observational and numerical studies have revealed that the basic physical process in coronal jets is the magnetic reconnection (e.g., Canfield et al. 1996; Shen et al. 2011, 2012b; Tian et al. 2017; Sterling et al. 2019; Shen 2021), and photospheric magnetic flux emergence and cancellation is the most common triggering reason (e.g., Jiang et al. 2007; Yang et al. 2011; Liu et al. 2011; Shen et al. 2012b, 2017; Lim et al. 2016; Panesar et al. 2016b; Sterling et al. 2018; Panesar et al. 2018; Chen et al. 2009; Li et al. 2012; Hong et al. 2011; Li et al. 2015). Recent high spatiotemporal resolution observations have revealed that many coronal jets are caused by minifilament eruptions, thus that they may represent the miniature version of large-scale, energetic solar eruptions such as filament eruptions and coronal mass ejections (CMEs; e.g., Moore et al. 2010; Shen et al. 2012b, 2017, 2019a; Sterling et al. 2015; Yang et al. 2019b; Huang et al. 2020; Chen et al. 2020; Zhang et al. 2021). In addition, coronal jets are important for triggering large-scale solar phenomena such as coronal waves and CMEs (e.g., Shen et al. 2012b, 2018a, 2018c; Alzate & Morgan 2016; Panesar et al. 2016a; Miao et al. 2018;

Shen et al. 2018b; Duan et al. 2019), as well as for the heating of coronal plasma and the acceleration of solar wind (e.g., Shibata et al. 2007; Tian et al. 2014; Yuan et al. 2019; Shen 2021).

For a long time, it was equivocal that solar eruptions occurring at different sites during a relatively short time interval are physically connected or just a coincidence of time. Such kinds of successive eruptions have been extensively studied, and those showing internal physical connections were called sympathetic eruptions (Moon et al. 2002, 2003; Shen et al. 2012a). Some studies revealed that the causal links between sympathetic solar eruptions are often of a magnetic nature. For example, sympathetic filament eruptions are often caused by magnetic reconnection around separatrices, separators, and quasi-separatrix layers (e.g., Schrijver & Title 2011; Török et al. 2011; Titov et al. 2012; Lynch & Edmondson 2013; Joshi et al. 2016; Wang et al. 2018); magnetic loops expansion due to impingement of external disturbances (e.g., Jiang et al. 2011; Yang et al. 2012); magnetic implosion mechanism within the framework of magnetic breakout configuration (Shen et al. 2012a; Sterling et al. 2018); and largescale coronal waves (Shen et al. 2014). So far, sympathetic solar eruptions including flares (Wang et al. 2001; Moon et al. 2002), filaments (e.g., Jiang et al. 2011; Shen et al. 2012a; Song et al. 2020; Hou et al. 2020), and CMEs (e.g., Moon et al. 2003; Jiang et al. 2008; Shen et al. 2012a) have been documented in the historical literature. However, to the best of our knowledge, there is still no report on sympathetic coronal jets.

In this Letter, for the first time, we report the observation of a sympathetic jet event that occurred on 2019 March 31, in which two successive coronal jets were observed due to the eruptions of two adjacent coronal bright points (CBPs) in the south polar coronal hole. The present study focuses on the

eruption mechanism of the two coronal jets, and our analysis results suggest that they were physically connected with each other, i.e., the lateral sweeping motion of the first jet resulted in the onset of the second one. Since coronal jets are usually initiated or triggered by internal activities such as photospheric magnetic flux cancellations, or magnetohydrodynamics instabilities of minifilaments or flux ropes, the present study shows evidence that coronal jets can also be launched by external eruptions or disturbances. The observations used are described in Section 2; results are presented in Section 3; discussions and conclusions are given in Section 4.

2. Observations

The present event was recorded simultaneously by the X-ray Telescope (XRT; Golub et al. 2007) on board Hinode and the Atmospheric Imaging Assembly (AIA; Lemen et al. 2012) and Helioseismic and Magnetic Imager (HMI; Scherrer et al. 2012) on board the Solar Dynamics Observatory (SDO). During our observing time interval, Hinode/XRT provided Al_Poly and Al_Mesh soft X-ray images, and the pixel size and cadence of these images are of 1."02 and 37 s, respectively. SDO/AIA provided continuous full-disk observations of the solar chromosphere and corona in seven extreme-ultraviolet (EUV) channels, spanning a temperature range from approximately 2×10^4 K to in excess of 2×10^7 K. Here, we only use the 171 Å (Fe IX; characteristic temperature: 0.6×10^6 K) and 211 Å (Fe XIV; characteristic temperature: 2×10^6 K) images, since the evolution processes are similar or not observed in other AIA channels. The time cadence and pixel size of AIA images are 12 s and 0."6, respectively. The line-of-sight (LOS) magnetograms taken by the HMI are used to analyze the magnetic flux variations within the eruption source region, whose cadence, pixel size, and measuring precision are of 45 s, 0", 5, and 10 Gauss, respectively.

3. Results

The present event occurred in the south polar coronal hole on 2019 March 31. An overview of the eruption source region is presented in Figure 1, in which the images were rotated 180° clockwise so that the eruption source region looks like in the north polar coronal pole (the same in the following figures). To better show the imaging features, the soft X-ray and EUV images are displayed as negative images so that the original bright (dark) features manifest as black (white) structures. In the XRT Al_Poly, AIA 171 Å and 211 Å images, one can identify many CBPs in the polar coronal hole as well as some coronal jets originating from these CBPs (see Figure 1 and the animation of Figure 2). We focus on the two successive jets that originated from two adjacent CBPs as indicated by the small black box in Figure 1, and this region was magnified and plotted as an inset in each panel. The projection lengths of the two CBPs were measured to be less than 30'' (see the black bar in Figure 1(A)).

CBP1 showed a lying J-shaped structure consisting of simple potential loops, while CBP2 looks like a minisigmoid structure composed of two evident sigmoidal strands (see Figures 1(A)– (C)). A line-of-sight (LOS) magnetogram is displayed in Figure 1(D) to show the magnetic field in the eruption source region, in which the white (black) patches represent positive (negative) polarities. The purple curve outlines the shape of CBP1, which connects opposite magnetic polarities of P1 (positive) and N1 (negative), while the green and orange curves outline the two strands of CBP2 linking opposite polarities of P2 (positive) to those of N2 (negative). It is noted that a negative magnetic polarity (N) was located in between P1 and N1. The overall eruption process can be divided into three stages: the formation of the first jet (jet1: 11:10 UT—11:30 UT), the interaction of jet1 with CBP2 (11:30 UT—11:37 UT), and the formation of the second jet (jet2: 11:37 UT—12:00 UT). In the following subsections, we discuss the eruption characteristics in association with those stages in more detail.

3.1. Formation of Jet1 and Its Interaction with CBP2

Figure 2 shows the formation of jet1 and its interaction with CBP2, in which the first, second, and third rows are XRT Al_Poly, AIA 211 Å, and AIA 171 Å time sequence images, respectively. In the bottom row, the left panel shows the magnetic flux variations (measured from the HMI LOS magnetograms) within the eruption source region of CBP1, while the right panel shows the corresponding relative intensity curve (measured from XRT Al_Poly, AIA 211 Å, and AIA 171 Å images) within the same region.

The left column of Figure 2 shows CBP1 and jet1. The rising of the lying J-shaped CBP1 caused the collimated jet1, and the jet spire showed an obvious westward lateral sweeping motion as indicated by the arrows in Figures 2(A) and (B). In the meantime, a bright patch around the eastern end of CBP1 appeared, which has a typical inverted-Y (or cusp) shape and can be regarded as the post-flare loop (PFL1) caused by the reconnection between CBP1 and its ambient open field lines (see the upward arrows in Figures 2(A)–(I) and the inset in Figure 2(G)). With an overall consideration of the appearance locations of the jet, PFL1, and the magnetic polarities as shown in Figure 1(D), the magnetic reconnection should occur between CBP1 and the open field lines rooted in the negative magnetic region N, and this can also explain the westward lateral motion of the jet spire. From the EUV and soft X-ray intensity lightcurves in Figure 2(K), one can identify that the start of jet1 was about 11:18 UT (see the vertical black line in each panel). For the magnetic flux variations (Figure 2(J)), both the positive and absolute value of the negative magnetic fluxes showed obvious rising (decl.) before (after) the start of the jet. Such a variation pattern of the magnetic fluxes suggests the first emerging and then cancellation of the opposite magnetic polarities in the eruption source region. Therefore, the jet was probably due to the magnetic reconnection between the emerging (rising) of CBP1 and the ambient preexisting open field lines, while the flux cancellation probably manifests the submerging of the PFL1 connecting P1 and N. The above observational characteristics suggest that jet1 should be a standard jet (e.g., Yokoyama & Shibata 1995; Moore et al. 2010).

In a few minutes after the start of jet1, CBP1 expanded rapidly and the jet spire swept toward CBP2, which finally interacted with the eastern part of CBP2 (the interaction site is indicated by the "X" symbol; see Figure 2(B)). This interaction lasted for a few minutes (less than 5 minutes) and can be identified in the XRT Al_Poly images. In the AIA EUV observations, only the jet base can be resolved (see black arrows in Figures 2(E) and (H)). At 11:37:45 UT, the jet can be observed in the XRT Al_Poly images (Figure 2(C)) but not in AIA images (Figures 2(F) and (I)). In the meantime, CBP2 lost its stability gradually, and a westward-moving plasmoid along CBP2 can be observed (see the black circle in the right column of Figure 2). This feature may represent the accelerated plasma



Figure 1. Overview of the event. Panels (A)–(D) are XRT Al_Poly, AIA 211 Å, AIA 171 Å, and HMI LOS snapshots, respectively. The field of view (FOV) of each frame is $300'' \times 400''$. The FOV of each inset is $120'' \times 80''$. The red and blue contours in each frame represent positive and negative magnetic polarities, and the green one outlines the negative magnetic polarity located on the east side of CBP1. The two ends of CBP1 (CBP2) were labeled with P1(P2) and N1(N2) in the magnetogram, and the polarity on the east side of CBP1 is labeled with N. In panel (D), CBP1 is outlined with a purple curve, and CBP2 is represented by the green and orange curves.

by the magnetic tension of the newly forming open field lines during the reconnection between the spire of jet1 and CBP2. Such a moving plasmoid-like feature was also previously evidenced to be a signature of the reconnection both in observational and numerical simulation studies (Lynch & Edmondson 2013; Wyper et al. 2016; Kumar et al. 2019).

3.2. Formation of Jet2 and Its Fine Structure

The launching process of jet2 and its fine structure are displayed in Figure 3, based on the time sequence images of XRT Al_Poly (top row), AIA 211 Å (second row), and AIA

171 Å (third row) observations. One can distinguish that CBP2 was composed of two strands of loops (see Figure 3(D)), which expanded obviously and the small plasmoid kept moving westward along the south loop of CBP2 (see the black circles in Figures 3(A), (D), and (G)). During this period, the south loop evolved into a solenoid-like structure as depicted by the white dotted curve in the inset in Figure 3(G). The formation of this special structure may be due to the relaxing of the loop caused by the magnetic reconnection between the spire of jet1 and the eastern part of CBP2. Here, the south loop in CBP2 was initially a closed loop structure rooted on the solar surface;



Figure 2. Eruption of Jet1. Panels (A)–(C), (D)–(F), and (G)–(I) are XRT Al_Poly, AIA 211 Å, and AIA 171 Å time sequence images (time runs left to right). The downward arrow in panel (A) indicates the spire of jet1, while the upward arrows in panels (A)–(I) indicate PFL1. The arrow in panel (B) indicates the westward-moving spire of jet1, and the black "X" symbol marks the interaction site between the spire of jet1 and CBP2. The arrows in panels (E) and (H) indicate jet1 observed in AIA 211 Å and 171 Å images. The black contours in panels (C), (F), and (I) outline the westward-moving plasmoid along the main axis of CBP2. "PFL1" in panels (A)–(I) represents the post-flare loop. Panels (J) and (K) show the plot of the magnetic flux variation within the eruption source region of jet1 and the corresponding intensity lightcurves at different wavelength bands, and the vertical black line in the two panels indicates the start time of jet1. An animation of the two stages of the sympathetic jets is available. The animation has the same ratio and layout as this figure, excluding panels (J) and (K) and the annotations. It has a 12 s cadence, and the full duration is from 11:09 UT to 12:13 UT. The animation includes both the formation of Jet1 (11:10 UT—11:30 UT) and its interaction with CBP2 (11:30 UT—11:30 UT) and the formation of Jet2 (11:37 UT—12:00 UT) and its fine structure (see also Figure 3).

(An animation of this figure is available.)

however, its east part was broken and became an open loop due to the magnetic reconnection caused by the interaction.

Specially, we identified the formation of a small bright kink structure inside the base of the second jet about 7 minutes after the start of the reconnection between jet1 and CBP2, which showed an inverted- γ shape and was close to the west end of CBP2 (see Figures 3(B), (E), and (H), and the white dotted curve in the inset in Figure 3(H)). Through checking the XRT and AIA time sequence images carefully (see also the animation of Figure 2), it can be distinguished that the birth of the small kink structure was owing to one of the evolving knots on the solenoid-like loop. The kink structure was small and short-lived, whose lifetime and diameter were about 5 minutes and 10", respectively. During this time interval, the westward-moving open section of the newly formed reconnected field line can be observed from the middle part of CBP2 (see the black arrows in Figures 3(B), (E), and the inset in (H)). In addition, a group of hot and bright loops connecting opposite polarities of N1 and P2 appeared and expanded significantly around the east end of CBP2 (see

Figure 3(B), (C), (E), and (F)). Considering the connectivity of the coronal loops and the photospheric magnetic morphology, this newly formed hot loop system can be regarded as the post-flare loop (PFL2) produced by the magnetic reconnection between CBP2 and the spire of jet1.

The kink structure finally erupted southwesterly at about 11:48:00 UT, coinciding with the arrival of the westwardmoving loop getting close to the west end of CBP2 (see the black arrows in Figure 3(H)). The eruption of the kink structure was probably due to the internal reconnection between its two crossed legs, which can be confirmed by the appearance of two features: a cusp-like bright loop and a circular blob below and above the crossing point of the kink structure, respectively. The upward-erupting blob merging with the westward-moving loop and the preexisting open loops around the west end of CBP2 formed the spire of jet2, while the cusp-like bright loop structure formed the jet base. Until this time, jet2 was finally formed and it had a bigger size and brighter brightness than jet1. During the formation of jet2, CBP2 lost its double-loop



Figure 3. Eruption of jet2. Panels (A)–(C), (D)–(F), and (G)–(I) are XRT Al_Poly, AIA 211 Å, and AIA 171 Å time sequence images (time runs left to right). In panels (A), (D), and (G), the westward-moving plasmoid is outlined by the black contour. A close-up view of the solenoid-like structure is plotted as an inset in panel (G), and the structure is highlighted with a white dotted curve. In panels (B), (E), and (H), the newly formed open reconnected line (spire of jet2) is indicated by the black arrows. A close-up view of the small kink feature and newly formed spire is plotted as an inset and two arrows in panel (H), and the structure is highlighted by the white dotted curve. The left and right arrows in panel (C) indicate the spire of jet2 and the corresponding PFL2, while the labels N1, P2, and N2 in panels (C), (F), and (I) indicate the magnetic polarities as shown in Figure 1(D). The inset in panel (I) shows the fine structure of jet2, and the arrows indicate the edges of the jet spire. Panel (J) is a TDS plot made along the black dotted line as shown in panel (H), in which the two colored dotted curves trace the evolution of CBP2's two strands, and the white arrow indicates the eruption of the small kink structure. An animation of the formation of Jet2 and its fine structure is available with Figure 2. The animation does not include the TDS plot (panel (J)).

structure during a short time interval. We create a timedistance stack plot to analyze the evolution of CBP2 and the eruption of the small kink structure (see Figure 3(J)). Here, the time-distance stack plot was made by composing the time sequence of the intensity profiles of 171 Å images along the black dotted line crossing this small kink in Figure 3(H), in which the abscissa and ordinate correspond to time and distance, respectively. The two loops and the eruption of the small kink structure are indicated by the two colored dotted curves and a white dotted arrow, respectively. The upwarderupting blob from the kink structure was measured at a speed of about 130 km s⁻¹. After the eruption of the kink structure, the two loops of CBP2 merged into one.

Taking into account the overall evolution characteristics of CBP2, the eruption of the small kink structure, and the westward-moving loop, we can conclude that jet2 was a blowout jet involving the eruption of nonpotential magnetic field within its base (Moore et al. 2010), and it was triggered by the magnetic reconnection between the spire of jet1 and CBP2, owing to their interaction.

3.3. Temperature Evolution and Physical Relation between the Two CBPs

The temperature evolution of the event and the physical relationship between jet1 and jet2 are analyzed, and the results are presented in Figure 4. To obtain a temperature map with Hinode/XRT data, one needs images from at least two different filters, and then processes them with the "xrt teem. pro" procedure available in the SolarSoftWare (SSW) package. This procedure generates temperature maps through solving the filter-ratio equation involving parameters of temperature "T" and the ratio of two different filters' temperature responses (Narukage et al. 2011). Here, we used the XRT Al Poly and Al_Mesh data to generate the temperature maps, in which the redder (bluer) color corresponds to higher (lower) temperature (see Figures 4(A)–(D)). For a coronal jet, the spire, footpoint, and the brightening patch next to the footpoint should be hightemperature regions, due to the deposition of hot plasma and energetic particles produced by the reconnection that triggered the jet (Yokoyama & Shibata 1995; Moore et al. 2010; Shen et al. 2012b). One can see that the temperature maps well



Figure 4. Panels (A)–(D) are temperature maps. The white arrow in panel (A) shows the direction of jet1, and the one in panel (B) indicates its westward sweeping motion. The locations of CBP1, CBP2, PFL1, and PFL2 are all marked in the maps. Panel (E) is a TDS plot made along the black dotted curve as shown in Figure 1(A), in which CBP1 and CBP2 indicate position of the two CBPs, and their eruption start times are indicated by the two vertical black lines. The westward sweeping motion of the spire of jet1 is indicated by the black arrow in panel (E).

reflected the evolution characteristics of the sympathetic jets. The spire of jet1 can be identified as a red elongated feature at 11:25:42 UT (see the white arrow in Figure 4(A)). Several minutes later, the brightening feature appeared at the east side of jet1's footpoint. In the meantime, jet1 showed a strong westward lateral sweeping motion as indicated by the white arrow in Figure 4(B). Then, the spire of jet1 interacted with eastern part of CBP2 (see Figure 4(C)). After that, CBP2 was activated and produced jet2 around the its west end, and also PFL2 around the east end of CBP2 (see Figure 4(D)).

The interaction between the spire of jet1 and CBP2 is also probed by using a time–distance stack plot (Figure 4(E)) made by composing the time sequence of the intensity profiles of XRT A1_Poly images along the black dotted curve in Figure 1(A). In this time–distance stack plot, the two CBPs are shown as two horizontal thick lanes before the event. From about 11:18 UT when jet1 started, one can clearly identify the sweeping process of the spire of jet1 passing through the gap between CBP1 and CBP2 (see the black arrow in Figure 4(E)), and the westward lateral sweeping speed is measured to be about 19 km s⁻¹. The spire of jet1 interacted with CBP2 at about 11:34 UT, after that CBP2 was activated and brightened significantly. By examining the spatial position along the path used to make the time–distance stack plot, the brightest parts along the lanes of CBP1 and CBP2 are indeed the locations of PFL1 and PFL2, respectively.

3.4. Physical Interpretation

To better present our explanation for the observational results, we draw a cartoon in Figure 5 to demonstrate the eruption process of the present sympathetic jet event. In each panel of Figure 5, only a few representative field lines are drawn, and the orientation is the same with the images displayed in previous figures (i.e., solar south up, east right). The newly formed reconnected field lines are plotted as red lines, and the reconnection sites are indicated by red "X" symbols. The pre-eruption magnetic topologies of CBP1 and CBP2 are drawn in Figure 5(A), and the magnetic polarities (N, P1, N1, P2, and N2) keep the same as evidenced in the HMI LOS magnetograms. CBP1 connects P1 and N1, and the ambient field lines nearby P1 were rooted in a negative polarity N. Due to some reasons such as the emergence of P1 and N1, the field lines of CBP1 start to reconnect with the open field line rooted in N (see Figures 5(A) and (B)). This reconnection would produce the bright patch (PFL1) as observed in soft X-ray and EUV images, and the reconnected open field lines will move transversely due to the magnetic tension force (slingshot effect). CBP2 was composed of two separated



Figure 5. A cartoon interpretation of the present event. Panel (A) shows the pre-eruption magnetic configuration; panel (B) shows the eruption of jet1 and its interaction with CBP2; panel (C) shows the formation of jet2 and the small kink structure; panel (D) shows the eruption of the small kink structure and the final stage of jet2. The associated magnetic polarities (N, N1, N2, P1, and N2) are the same as observed in the HMI magnetogram. CBP1 is represented by the two blue curves, while CBP2 is represented by the orange and green curves in panel (A). The reconnection sites are marked with "X" symbols in panels (A), (B), and (C), and the newly formed reconnected field lines are highlighted with red lines or curves. The westward arrows in panels (B) and (C) show the lateral moving direction of jet1 and jet2, respectively. The downward arrow in panel (C) indicates the newly formed small kink structure.

groups of loops but they were both rooted in P2 and N2. In the cartoon, we use brown and green curves to represent the two groups of loop systems in CBP2. The transverse motion of the spire of jet1 directly impacted upon the east part of CBP2 and triggered the magnetic reconnection between the two magnetic systems. This reconnection not only created PFL2 connecting N1 and P2 but also a curving open loop that formed the spire of jet2. The whole evolution of both CBP1 and CBP2, in fact, can be referred to as the open-closed reconnecting case reported by Yokoyama & Shibata (1996). Similarly, the curving open loop attempted to straighten due to the magnetic tension force, and therefore it also moved westwardly. In addition, the lower part of this loop would form kink structures as evidenced in the observations, due to the relaxing of the loop system caused by the reconnection and the westward-moving plasmoids along the loop (see Figures 5(B) and (C)); such a plasmoid has been found to exist nearby the current sheet during the reconnection both in observations and simulations (e.g., Lynch & Edmondson 2013; Wyper et al. 2016; Kumar et al. 2019). Due to the kinking of the newly formed open loop, magnetic reconnection can occur below the kink structure between its two crossed legs, and the result of this reconnection is the formation of an

upward-erupting blob and the bright cusp-like structure around the west end of CBP2 (see Figure 5(D)). Therefore, we propose that jet1 and jet2 were respectively standard and blowout jets (Moore et al. 2010), and they were connected by the interaction between the spire of jet1 and CBP2.

4. Conclusion and Discussion

Using soft X-ray and EUV observations taken by Hinode and SDO, we studied, for the first time, a sympathetic jet event in detail. In this event, two coronal jets were launched successively from two adjacent CBPs, and our analysis results indicate that they were physically connected to each other, rather than a coincidence of time. The first jet was a standard coronal jet produced by the magnetic reconnection between CBP1 with its ambient open field lines. The magnetic fluxes variation within the eruption source region showed an emergence (cancellation) pattern before (after) the start of jet1. Therefore, we propose that the first jet was possibly triggered by magnetic flux emergence, and the cancellation may reflect the submergence of PFL1 that had a cusp-like shape. The second jet was a blowout jet involving the eruption of a nonpotential magnetic field within its base. The

initiation of the second jet was caused by the reconnection between the spire of the first jet and CBP2, because of the direct impingement of the former upon the latter resulting from the lateral sweeping motion of the first jet. The violent eruption of the second jet was caused by the eruption of a kink structure within the jet base, which was triggered by the kink instability in the kink structure and then the reconnection between its two crossed legs. Our findings may contribute to the understanding of the following three aspects.

As mentioned in Section 1, the basic physical scenario for the formation of coronal jets is that the bipolar system, mixed with plasma, reconnects with the ambient field under certain circumstances, sometimes involving the eruption of minifilaments. Generally, the photospheric magnetic flux within the eruption source region of a jet often shows a first emergence and then cancellation variation pattern, and the transition time is often coincident with the start time of the jet (e.g., Shen et al. 2011, 2012b; Tian et al. 2017; Sterling et al. 2019). Thus, the flux emergence and cancellation are generally considered important triggering agents for solar jets. However, the specific physical processes that magnetic flux emergence and cancellation represent are still unclear (Shen 2021). In the present observation, the magnetic flux within the eruption source region of the first jet showed emergence (cancellation) before (after) the start of the jet. We therefore propose that the launching of the first jet was caused by the reconnection between emerging bipole and the ambient open fields, and the flux cancellation may represent the submerging of the closed reconnected loops. Besides magnetic activities observed in the photosphere, coronal jets can also be generated from some progenitors in the solar atmosphere, such as minifilaments, CBPs, and minisigmoids (Shen 2021). Observationally, the triggering of the vast majority of coronal jets is due to the internal magnetic activities or magnetohydrodynamics instabilities within the eruption source regions. Shen et al. (2014) reported a special coronal jet that occurred at the boundary of an equatorial coronal hole, which was caused by the passing of large-scale coronal waves that pushed the open loop in the coronal hole to reconnect with a low-lying CBP. That is to say, coronal jets can also be triggered by external disturbances. In the present study, the initiation of the second jet was due to the impingement of the spire of the first jet upon CBP2, which confirms that external disturbances do act as a trigger agent for the generation of some coronal jets.

Kink structure is pervasive in the solar atmosphere, for example, in filaments and coronal loops. In observations, the writhing and kinking motions are attributed to the releasing of magnetic twist in strongly twisted magnetic structures such as those evidenced in failed filament eruptions (e.g., Ji et al. 2003; Alexander et al. 2006; Shen et al. 2012a). Rotating jets typically exhibit the releasing of magnetic twist from closed magnetic system into open magnetic structure through magnetic reconnection (Shen et al. 2011; Wyper et al. 2019). Moore et al. (2013) found that the closed bipolar magnetic field in the jet base has substantial twist not only in all blowout jets but also in many standard jets, although blowout jets involving minifilament eruption often exhibit stronger rotation motion (Moore et al. 2010; Shen et al. 2012b). Since many jets are caused by the eruption of a twisted minifilament, it is reasonable to conjecture that writhing and kinking motions should be common in solar jets. However, although the rotating motion of solar jets exhibits the existence of a twisting property of the min-filaments or closed

loops in the jet base, specific examples of kinking eruption within the jet base have not yet been reported. In our present case, the inverted- γ kink structure exhibited the twisting property of the jet base, and its kink instability. What still remains unclear is whether the apparent solenoidal structure represents the propagation of twisted magnetic fields or is a coincidence of line-of-sight or emission effects. If there is accumulated twist in CBP2's magnetic system, then the solenoidal/helical structure may represent twist propagation during the reconnection associated with the CBP2 jet eruption. In other words, under such conditions, it is difficult to imagine how pre-eruption twist in the western region of CBP2 would remain trapped in the closed flux region during the dynamic jet eruption. However, since the observed, inverted- γ structure is a clear signature of twist and is associated with the transient solenoid both spatially and temporally (see the animation of Figure 2 for more details), it is likely this represents twisted fields from CBP2. Taking this and the weak bipolar field strengths into account, we proposed that there is a moderate amount of twist stored in CBP2 before the eruption. But what is the key to ceasing or slowing down the twist propagation during the CBP2 eruption? We offer the following potential explanation. Due to the magnetic tension, the newly opened magnetic field lines resulting from the interaction between the spire of the first jet and CBP2 would sweep toward the west. At the same time, some of twist component of the first jet is transferred into CBP2, observed as writhing or unwinding. This interaction (reconnection) between the first jet and the western extension of CBP2 temporarily increases the twist in the closed-field regions of CBP2; during this process the twist in the spire of the fist jet can transfer into the second jet since the sweeping spire of the first jet before being expelled was transformed into the spire of the second jet through magnetic reconnection. This phenomenon is reasonably well resolved in our current study by SDO. Furthermore, the system relaxation associated with the eruption of the second jet's twist flux may be slowed down because of the inertia of the plasma frozen into the magnetic field. Thus, the release of the second jet's twist may share the same timescale as the sweeping motion interaction resulting from the first jet (i.e., the duration of the sweeping spire of the second is about 5 minutes). That is, despite the twist stored in CBP2 attempting to spread out as quickly as possible at the very beginning of the reconnection, this twist may not fully escape into the adjacent open field in such a short time as 5 minutes. In other words, there exists the opportunity and possibility that the sweeping motion and reconnection temporarily increases the twist in the CBP2 system that is then observed as the helical or solenoidal structure that transitions into the inverted- γ as part of the second jet's reconnection and eruption.

High spatiotemporal resolution observation of solar jets and the eruption of minifilaments in recent years suggest that these small-scale solar eruptive activities exhibit similar physical properties with large-scale, energetic solar eruptions, and this may hint at a scale invariance of solar eruptions (Wang et al. 2000; Raouafi et al. 2010; Shen et al. 2012a, 2019b; Shen 2021; Sterling et al. 2015). For sympathetic solar eruptions, the present event also manifests with some similarity with other large-scale events, especially for magnetic interaction events in the solar atmosphere. For example, during the interaction of a jet with a group of remote coronal loops, Jiang et al. (2008) found that the eruption resulted in two CMEs within 2 hours, in which one was associated with the jet and the other was associated with the eruption of the loops. In our event, due to the nature of the observed jets (i.e., their pre-eruption THE ASTROPHYSICAL JOURNAL LETTERS, 912:L15 (9pp), 2021 May 1

configuration and open-closed reconnection), there was no large-scale CMEs caused by the eruptions. One can find that no matter the small-scale jets or large-scale solar eruptions, an eruption can cause the launching of another one at a different location in a suitable magnetic environment.

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