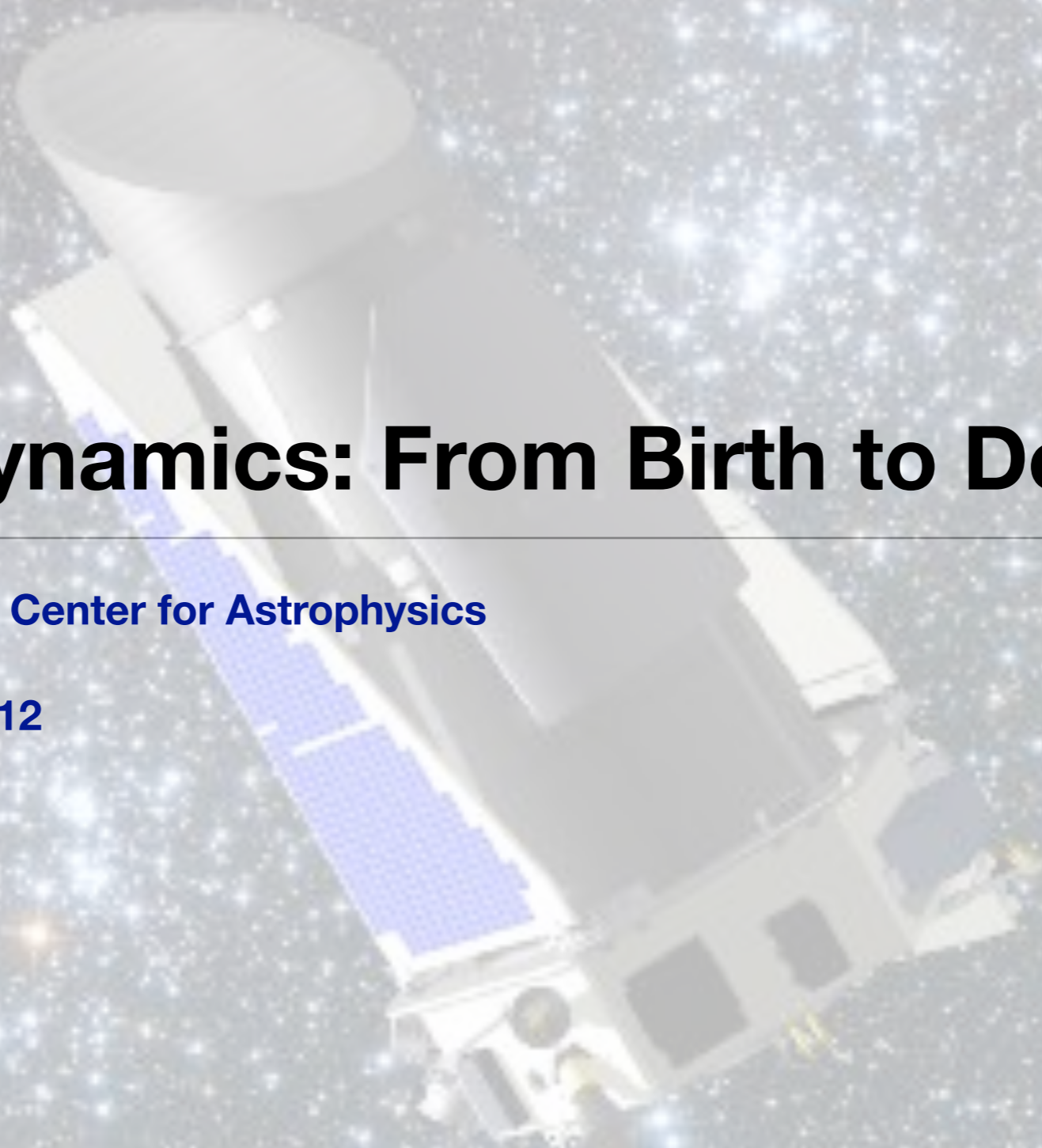




# Planetary Dynamics: From Birth to Death

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# Goals

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- 1) Provide an overview of role of dynamics in **formation** and **evolution** of the systems you will observe
- 2) Provide basic tools to help **analyze and validate new systems**
- 3) **Keep theory in mind** in choosing project and writing papers\*

\*speaker may be biased...

# Outline

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- Quantifying the **dynamical** influence of a planet
- How dynamics shape **planetary growth**
- Stability of **multi-planet** systems (2, >3)
- Stability of **binary** (multi) planetary systems
- The dynamical fate of planets after **stellar evolution**

## **Overviews and primary references:**

*Peale 1976*

*Gladman 1993*

*Chambers, Wetherill, & Boss 1996*

*Holman & Wiegert 1999*

*Goldreich, Lithwick & Sari 2004*

*Smith & Lissauer 2009*

*Armitage 2010*

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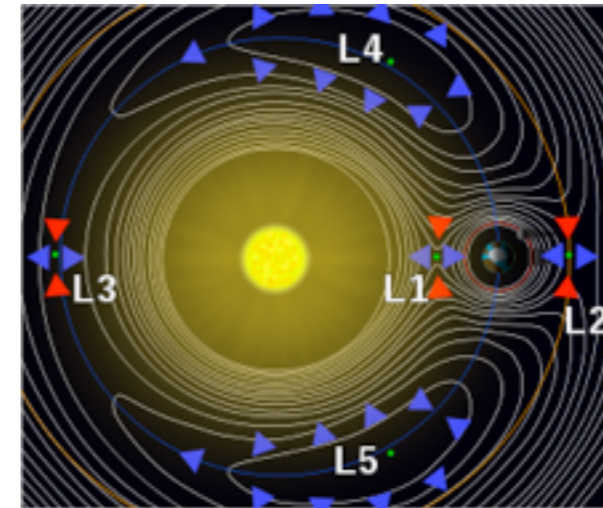
*Youdin & Kenyon 2012*

# Who's in Charge: The Hill Radius

- Def: Where the **Planet's Gravity** Dominates over **Tidal gravity** due to the star

$$\frac{GM_p}{\Delta R^2} \approx \frac{GM_*}{a^3} \Delta R$$

$$\Delta R \rightarrow R_H \approx \left( \frac{M_p}{M_*} \right)^{1/3} a$$



Hill Radius

$$R_H = \left( \frac{m_p}{3M_*} \right)^{1/3} a$$

Dimensionless planet(esimal) size

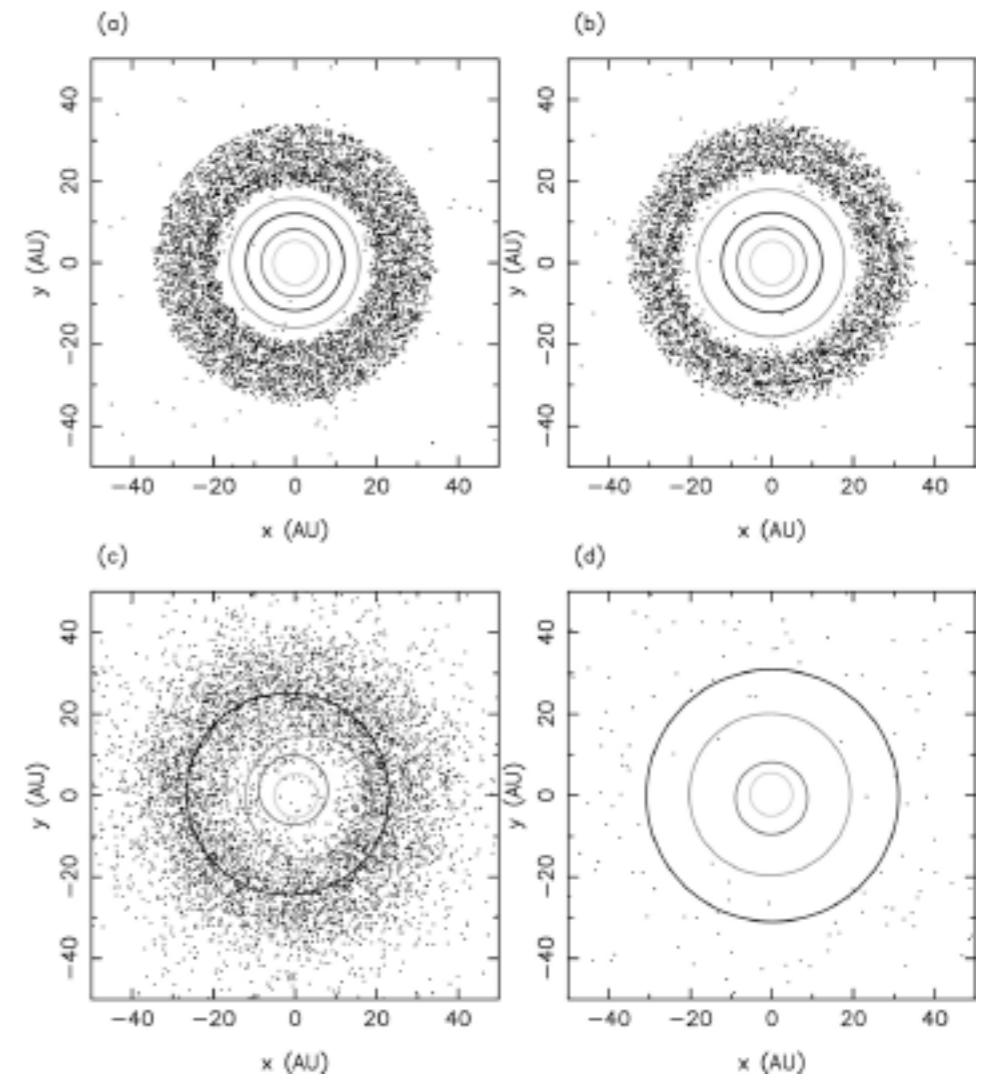
$$\psi \equiv \frac{r_p}{R_H} = \left( \frac{3\rho_*}{\rho_p} \right)^{1/3} \frac{R_*}{a}$$

**Roche Radius/Limit:** size of a body that will be tidally disrupted

**Roche Lobe:** defined by equipotential surfaces, more appropriate for  $\mu \sim 1$

# Part I: Birth

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Proplyd (credit: Hubble)

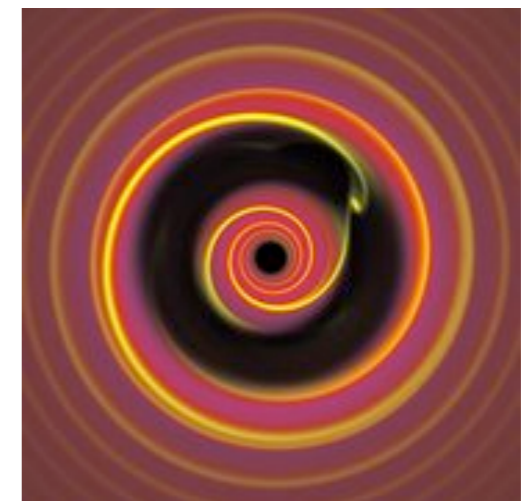
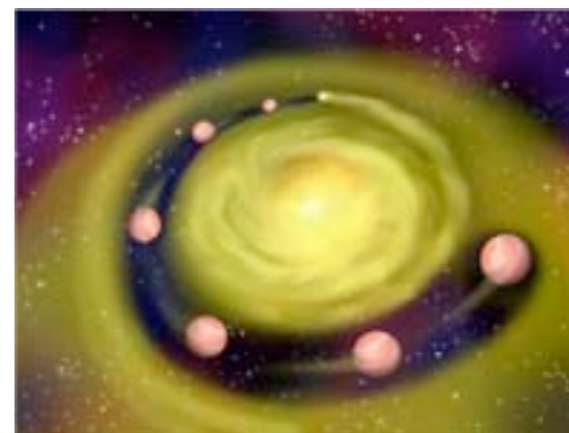
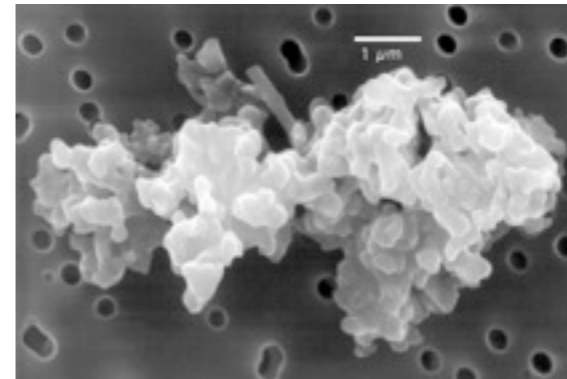


Solar System (e.g. Nice Model)

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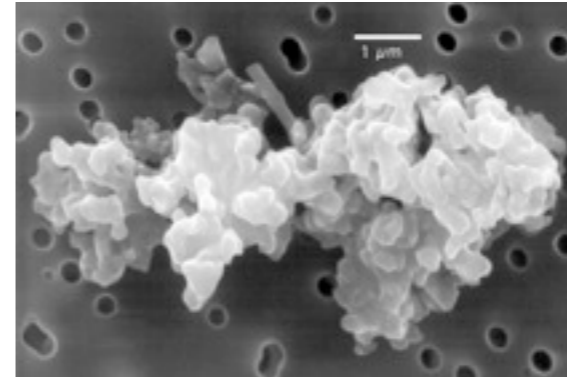
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# Dynamics-Driven

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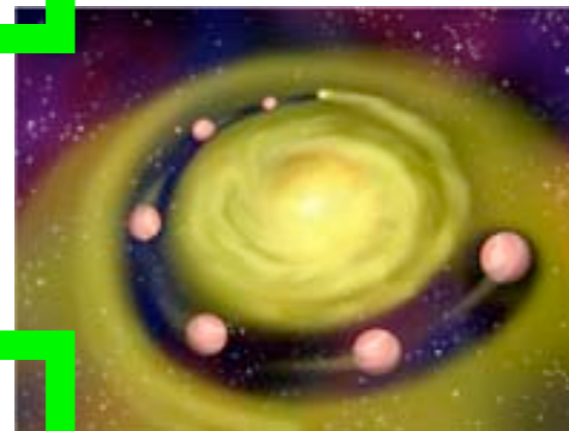
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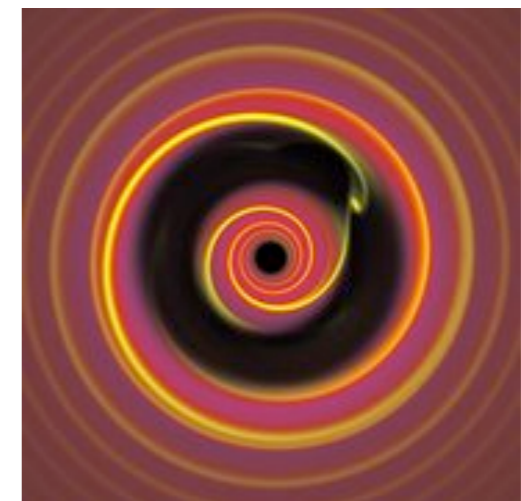
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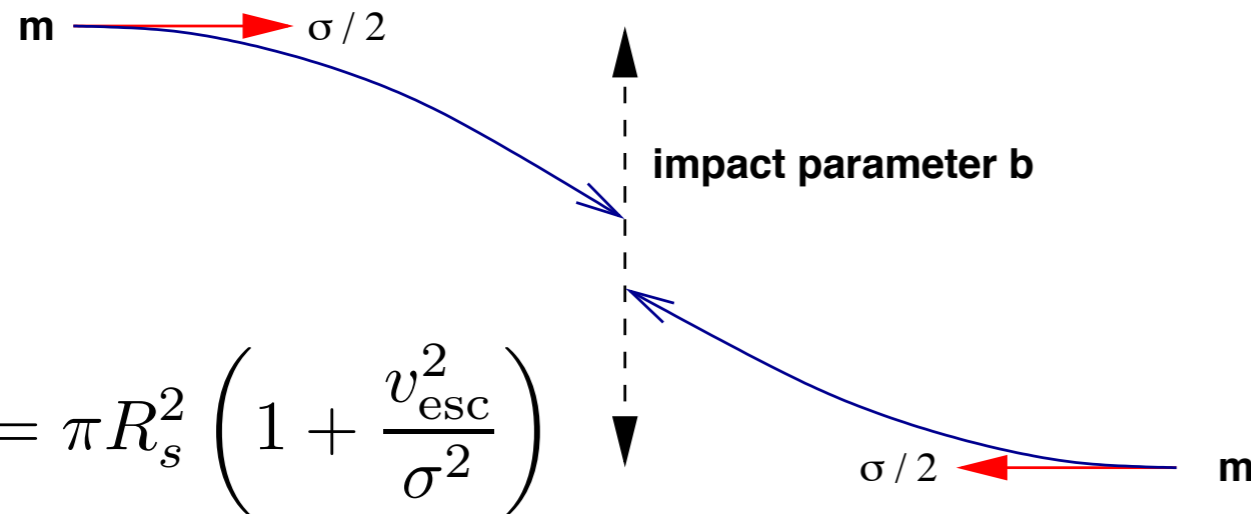


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# Dynamics in Planetesimal Growth

Armitage 2010



$$\Gamma = \pi R_s^2 \left( 1 + \frac{v_{\text{esc}}^2}{\sigma^2} \right)$$

- Compare to **Hill velocity**:

$$v_H = \Omega R_H = \left( \frac{m_p}{3M_*} \right)^{1/3} v_K$$

$$\sigma_{\text{rel}} > v_H$$

“Dispersion-Dominated”

(2 body problem)

- Growth rates depend on the relative velocities within the disk:

- **heating**: scattering, collisions, fragmentation

- **cooling**: direct collision cross section lower than gravitational effects

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“Shear-Dominated”

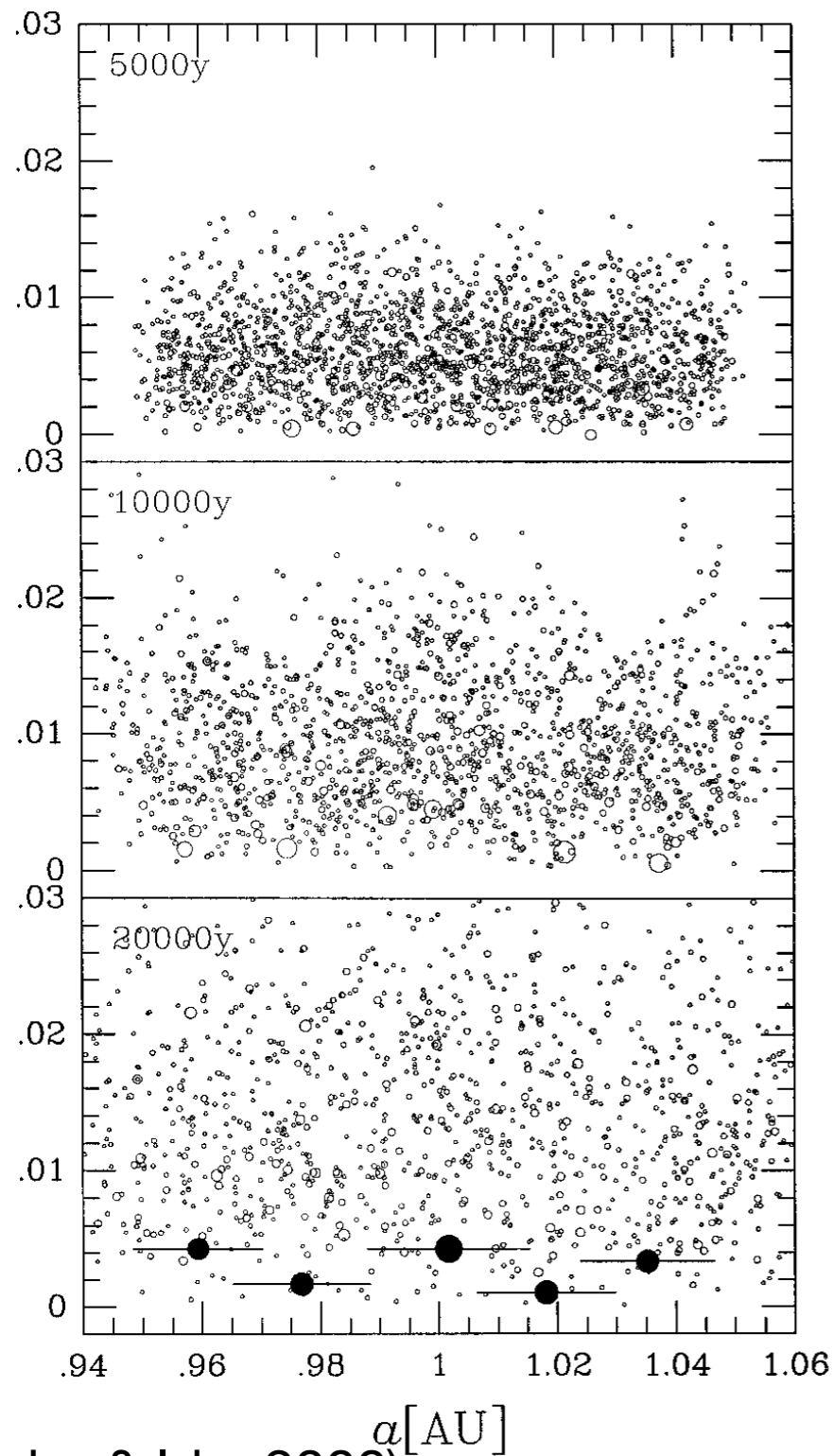
(3-body problem)

consider finding better diagram

direct collision cross section lower than gravitational effects



# From Planetesimals to Protoplanets

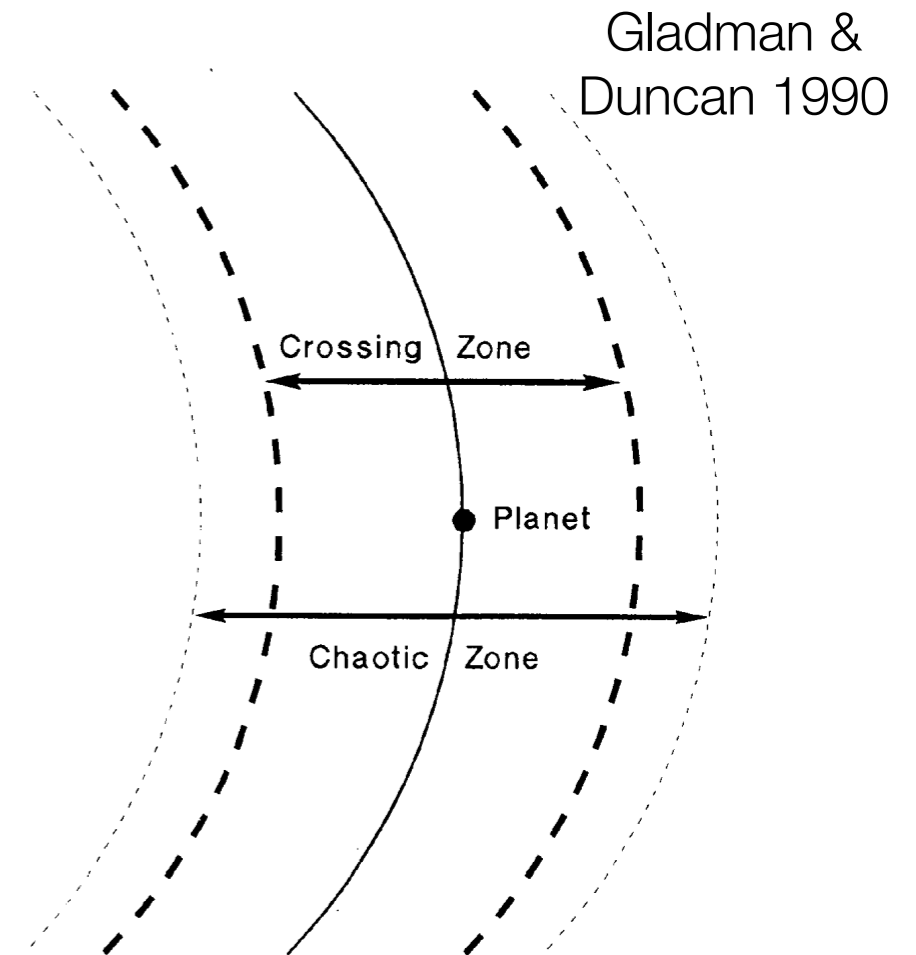


- Growth depends on location, velocity dispersion, mass, surface density
- Larger planetesimals grow fast due to **gravitational focusing / dynamical friction**
- Large bodies stir small ones
- Large bodies compete with each other repel to separations of  $\sim 5 R_H$
- Eventually leads to well-known **Oligarchic Growth** where smaller proto-planets grow faster

# The end of growth: Isolation Mass

- Protoplanet can only feed from a limited zone  
**comparable to Hill radius**
- Not a runaway process because feeding zone increases more slowly than mass
- Simulations show  **$C \sim 3.5$**

● Sun

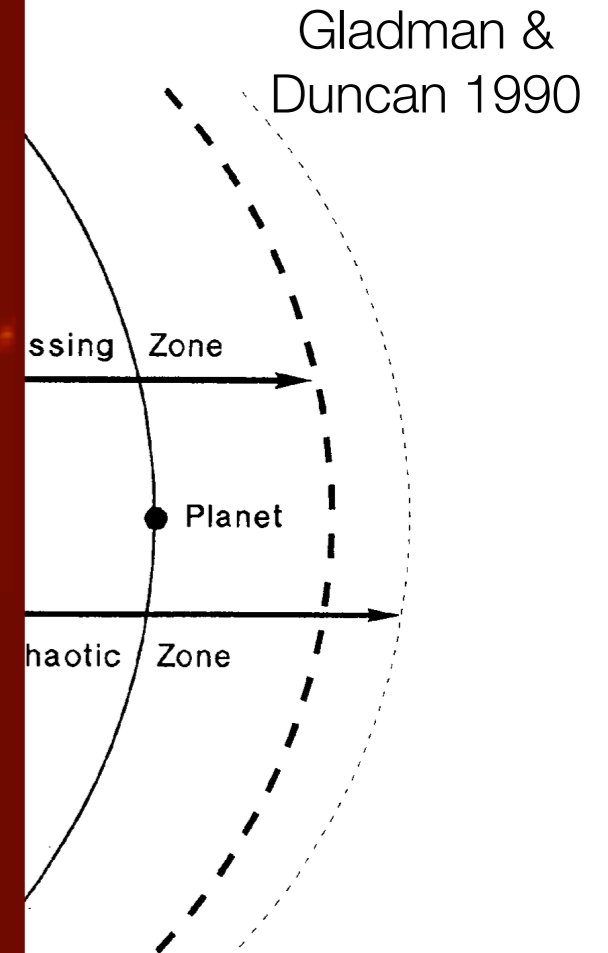
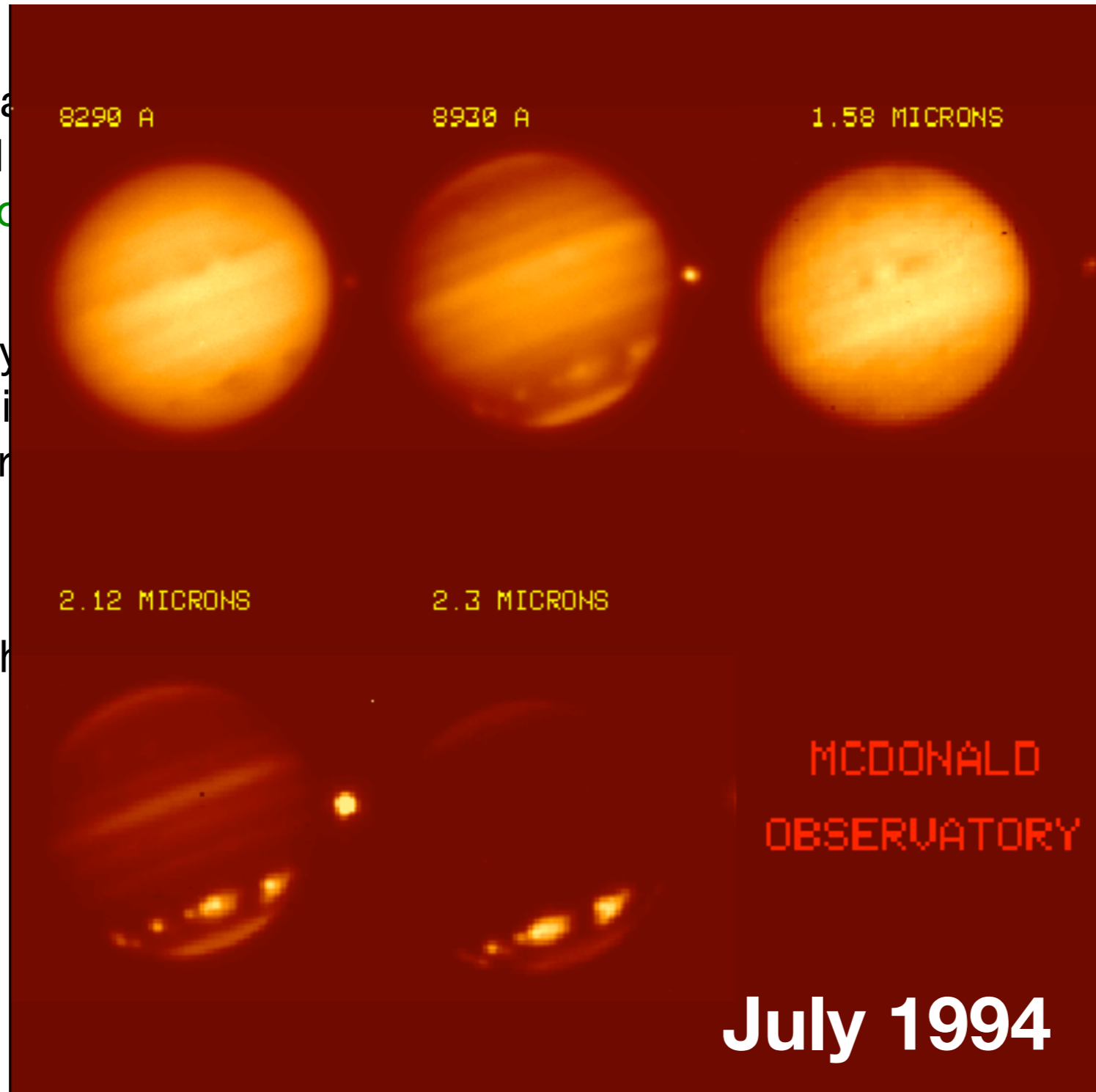


$$M_{\text{iso}} = 4\pi a \cdot C \left( \frac{M_{\text{iso}}}{3M_*} \right)^{1/3} a \cdot \Sigma_p$$

**most**  
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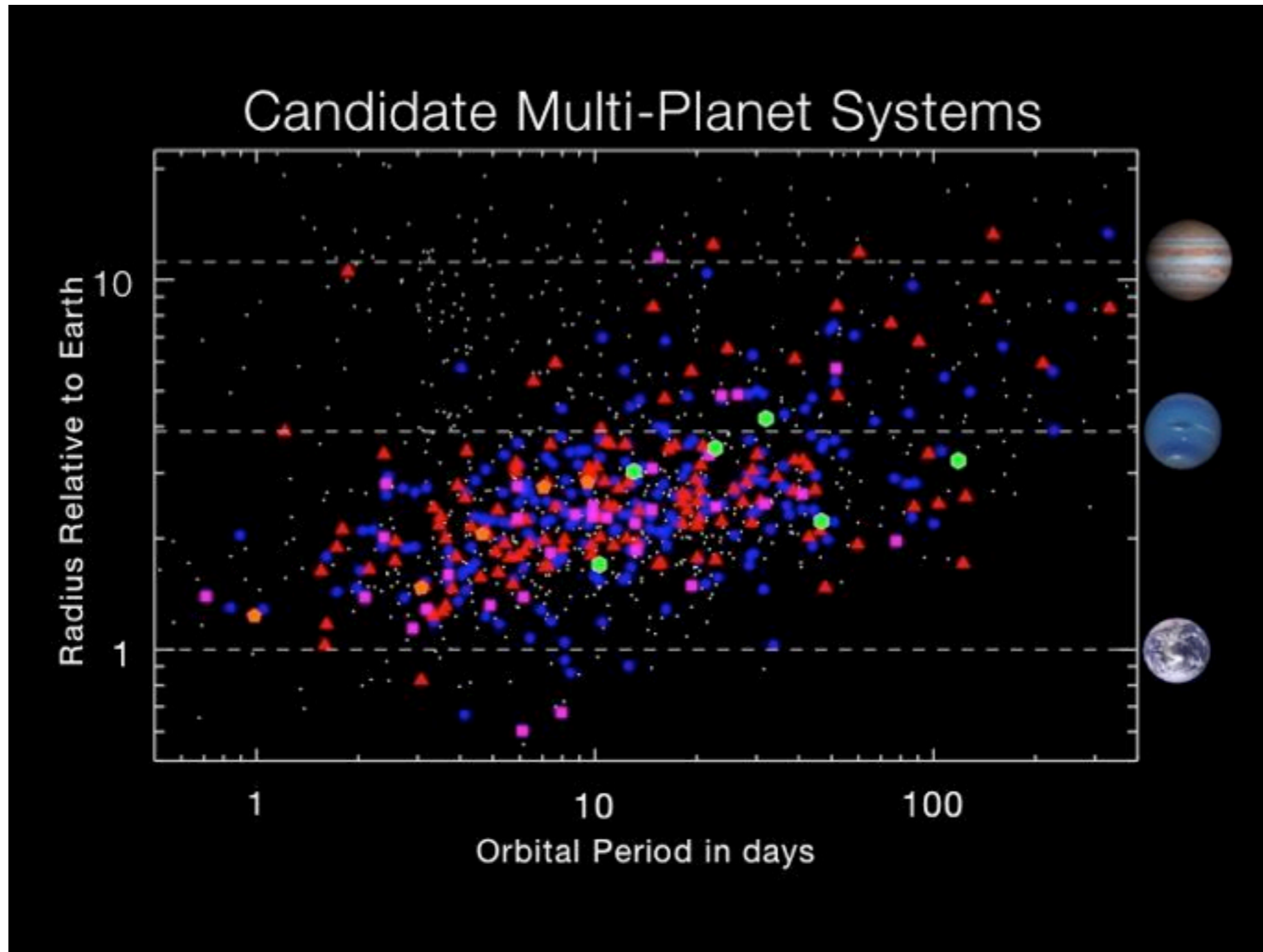
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# Part II: Planetary System Architecture

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# Multi-Planet Stability: Restricted 3 body problem

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- **Two massive** bodies in orbit generate a potential in which **test particles** move
- Equation of motion are simple in **dimensionless** coordinates, in the **rotating** frame
- There is one integral of motion, known as the **Jacobi constant**
- Explore orbital behavior using **zero velocity curves**, and **Poincare surface of section**
- **Planetary limit**, curves at L1 open when:

$$\Delta > 3.5R_H$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \ddot{y} \\ \ddot{z} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x + 2\dot{y} - \frac{1-\mu}{r_1^3}[x + \mu] - \frac{\mu}{r_2^3}[x - (1 - \mu)] \\ y - 2\dot{x} - \frac{1-\mu}{r_1^3}y - \frac{\mu}{r_2^3}y \\ -\frac{1-\mu}{r_1^3}z - \frac{\mu}{r_2^3}z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$r_1 = \sqrt{(x + \mu)^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

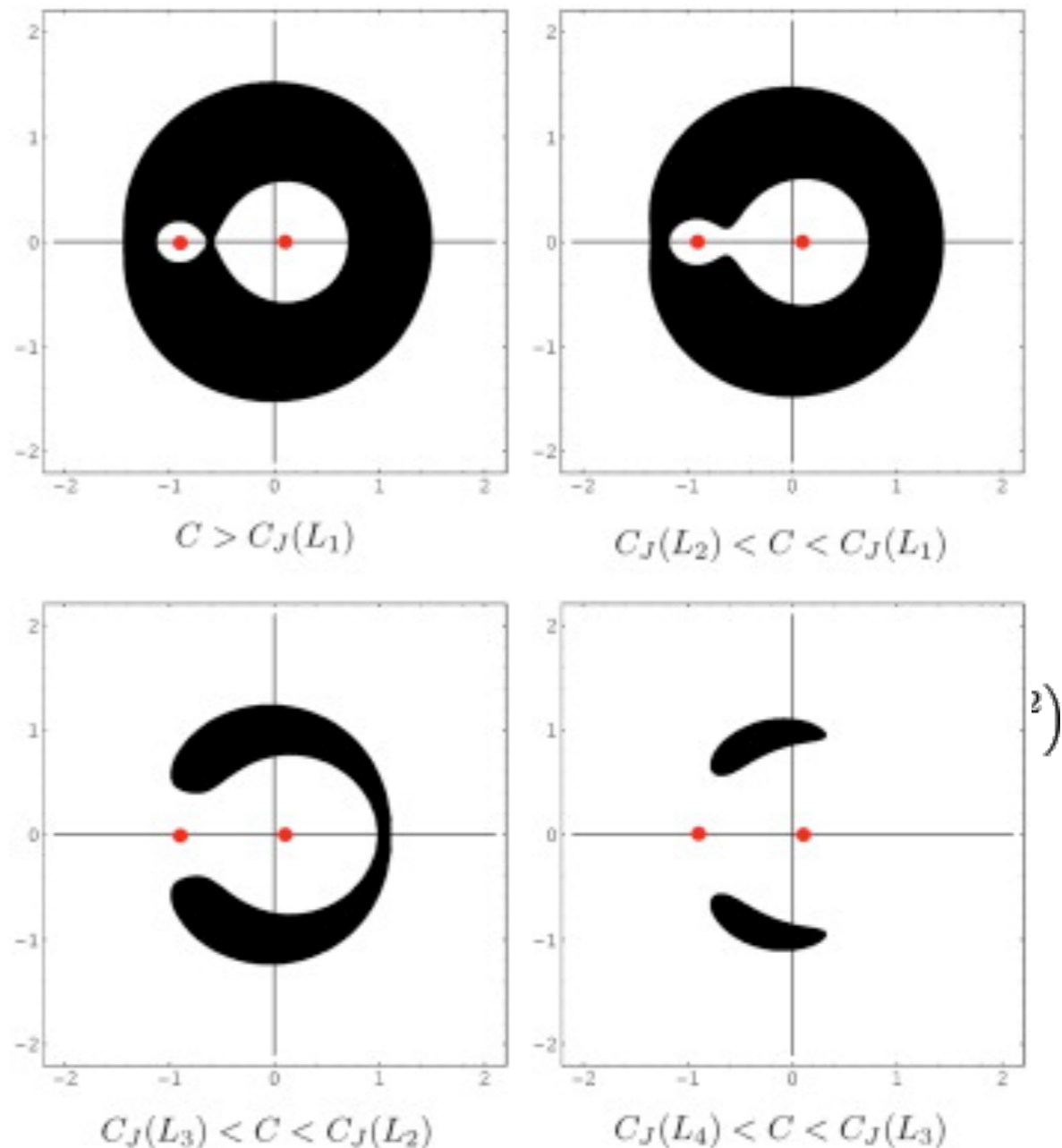
$$r_2 = \sqrt{(x - (1 - \mu))^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$C_J = n^2(x^2 + y^2) + 2\left(\frac{\mu_1}{r_1} + \frac{\mu_2}{r_2}\right) - (\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2)$$

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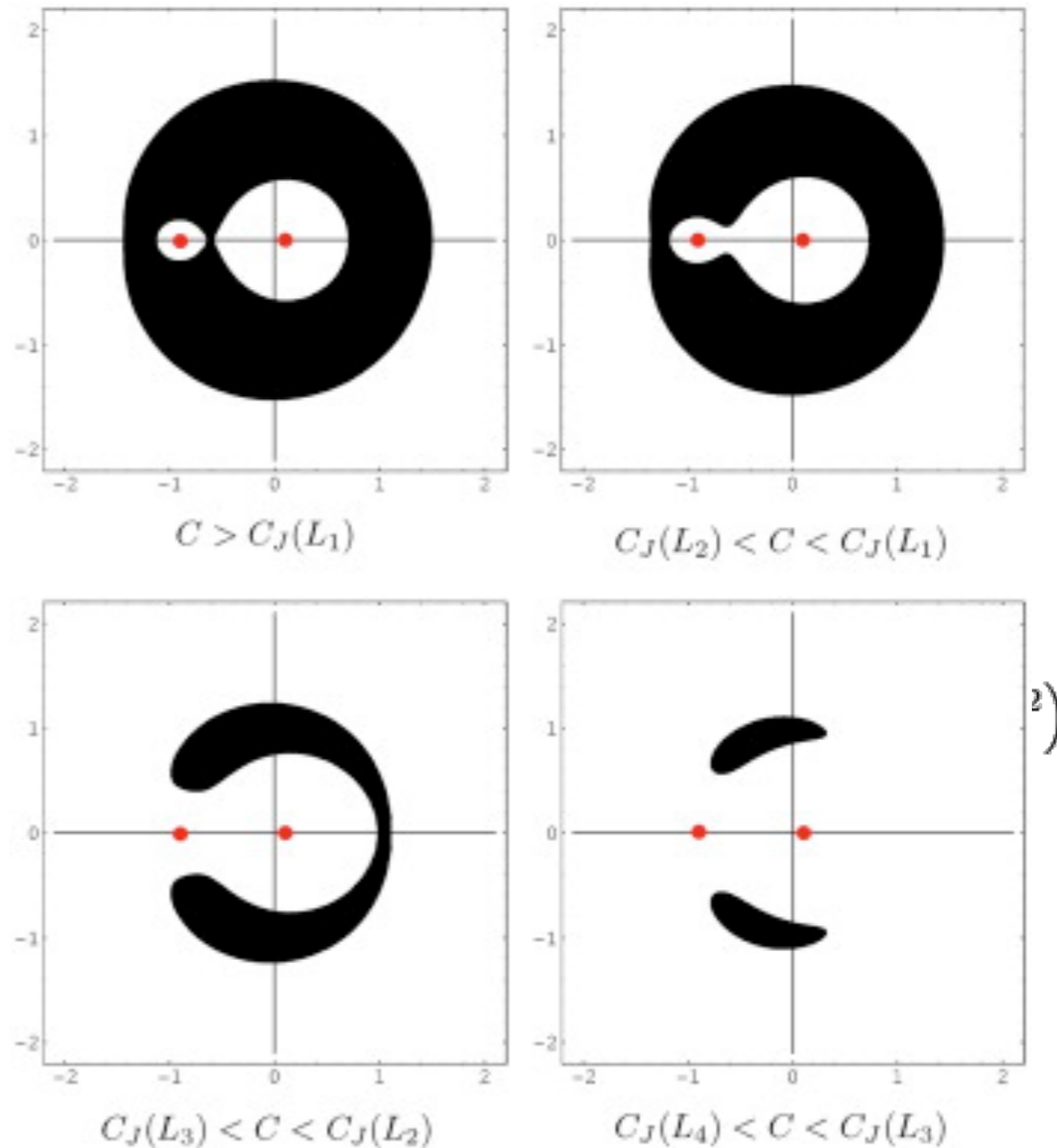
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isolation mass!



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# Stability of Two Planet Systems (3 body problem)

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- Lagrange Stable: Semi-major axes are bounded
- **Hill Stable: No close interactions allowed**

Topological Stability in the (general) three body problem:

$$L^2 E > (L^2 E)_{\text{crit}}$$

- initial conditions dictate [stability for all time](#)
- equivalent of zero-velocity curves in restricted three-body problem (not as easily visualized)
- useful to define mutual Hill Radius:

$$R'_H = \left( \frac{\mu_1 + \mu_2}{3} \right)^{1/3} \frac{(a_1 + a_2)}{2}$$



# Stability of Multi Planet Systems: Two Close Planets

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- Compute the critical value in terms of  $L^2 E$  for circular two planets:

$$\Delta \approx 2.4(\mu_1 + \mu_2)^{1/3}$$

$$\mu_1 = \mu_2 \rightarrow \Delta \approx 3\mu^{1/3}$$

$$G = 1, \mu = m_p/m_*, a_1 = 1, e = 0, i = 0$$

- Non-circular orbits:

$$\Delta^2 > 12 + 4/3 \left( \frac{\mu_1 + \mu_2}{3} \right)^{2/3} (e^2 + i^2)$$

Gladman 1993, Hasegawa & Nakazawa 1990)

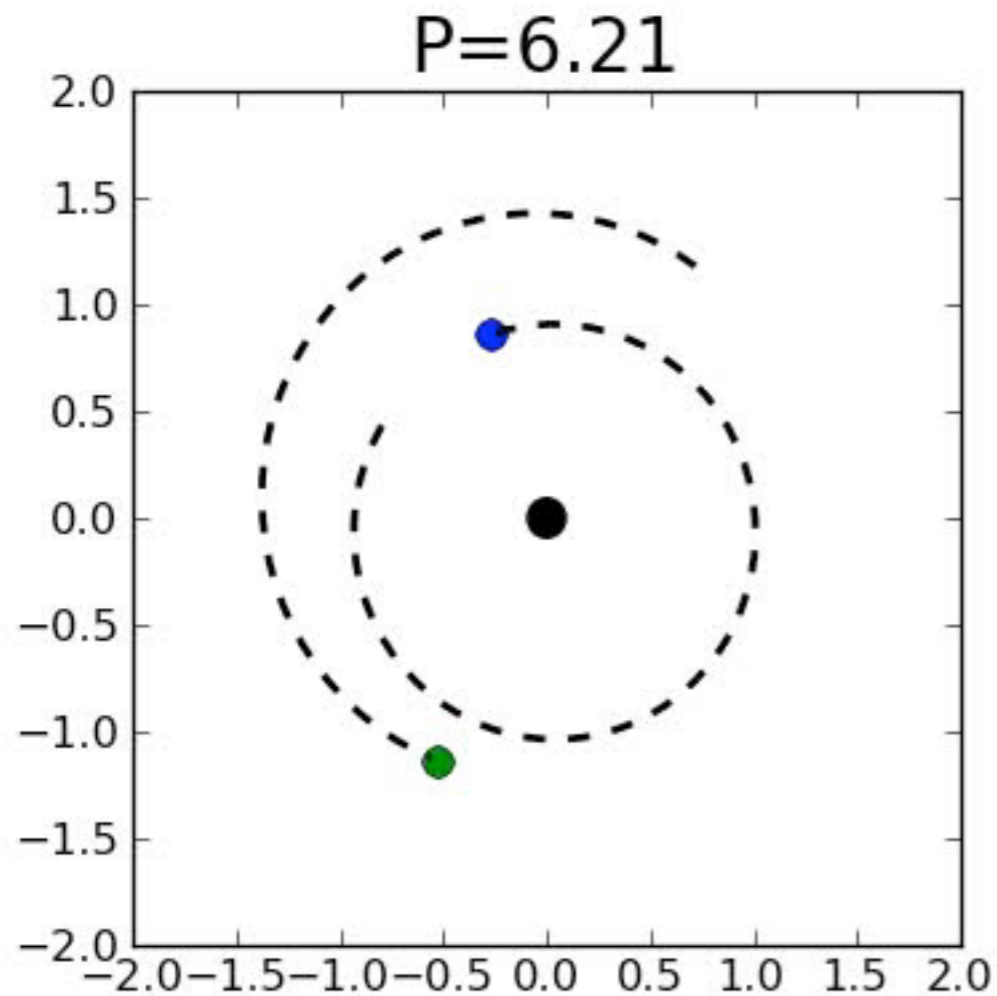
# Stability Check

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$$\Delta \sim 3.2R'_H, m_* = 1.0,$$

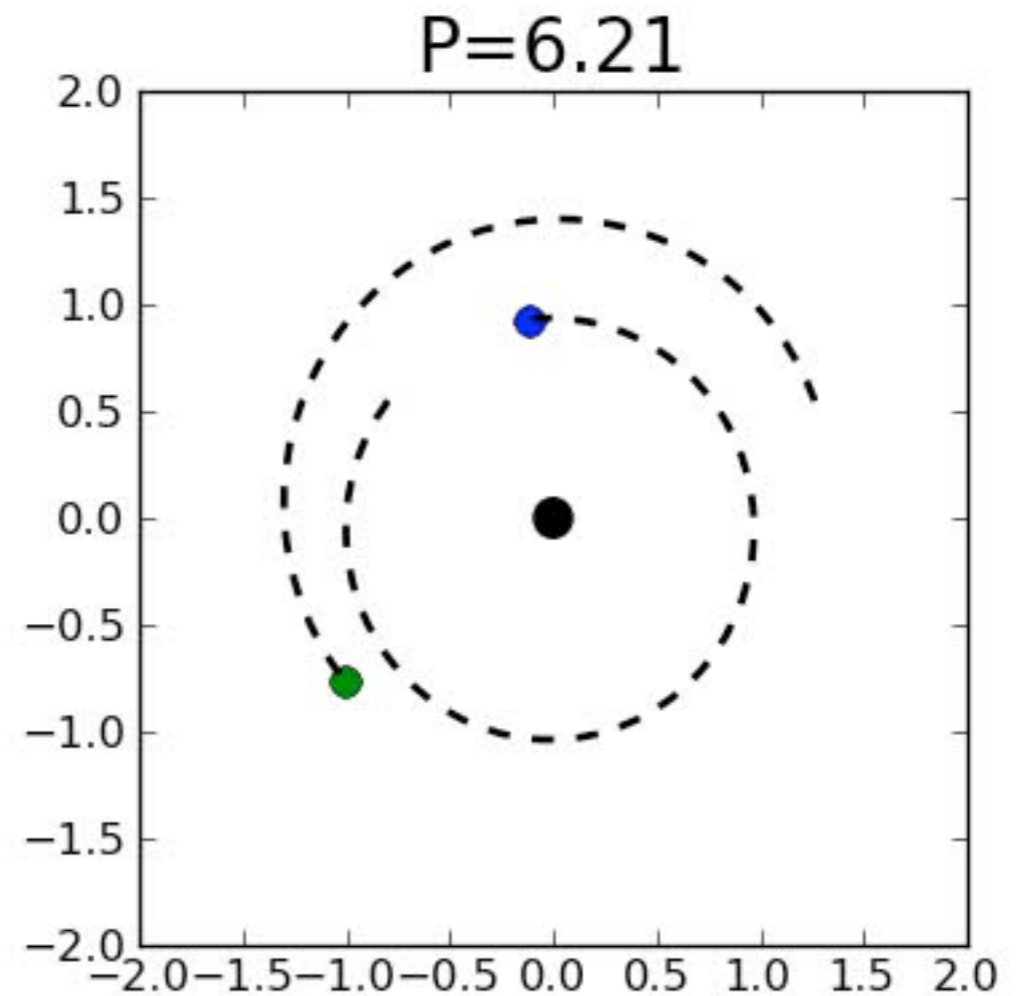
$$a_1 = 1.0, m_2 = m_3 = 0.001$$



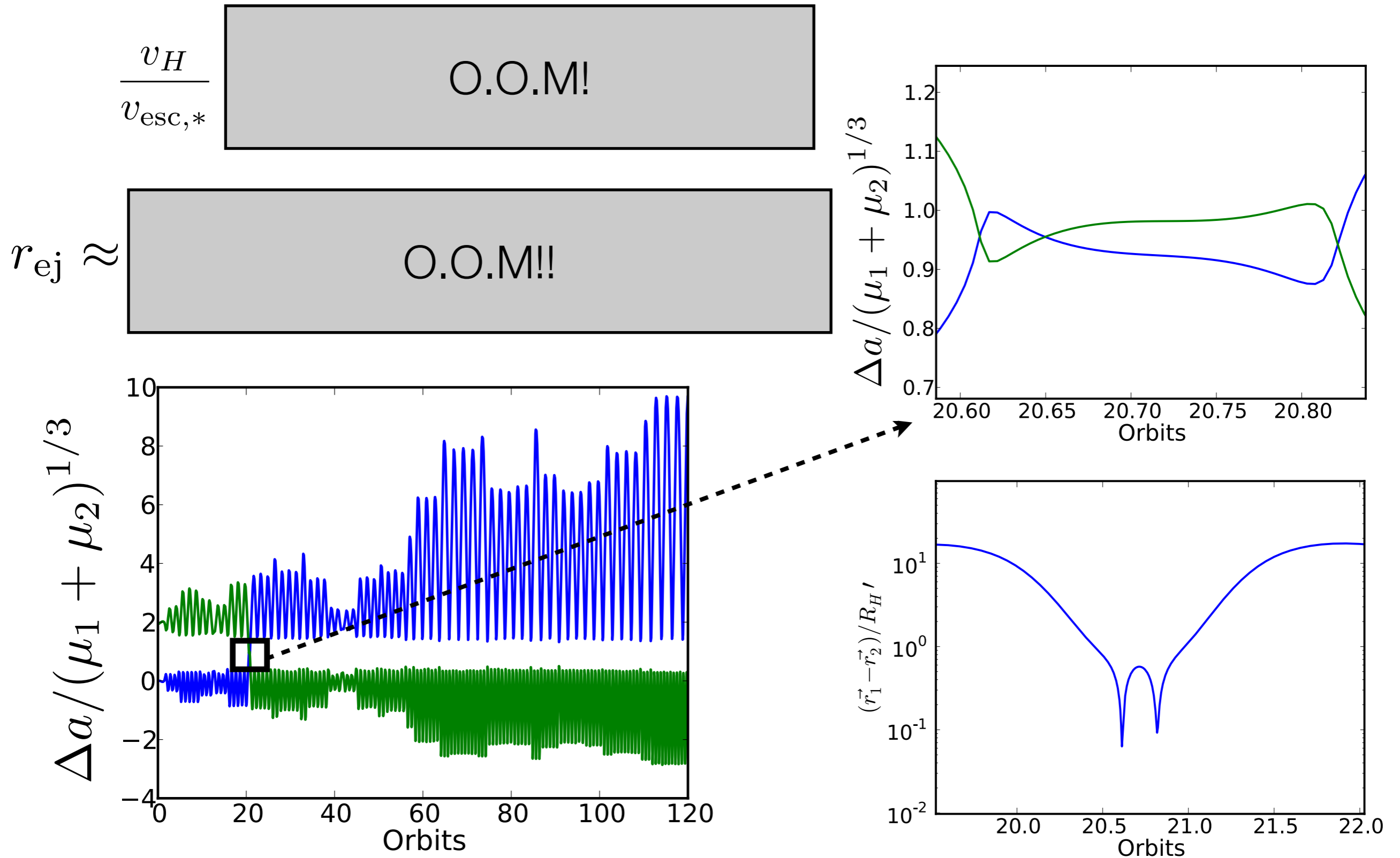
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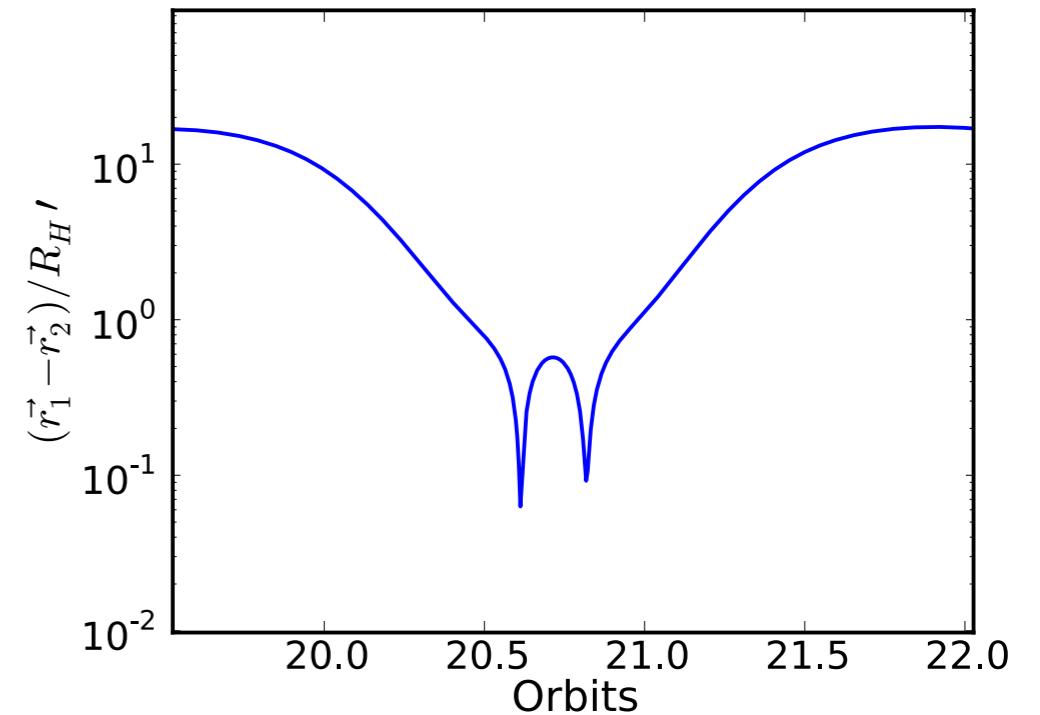
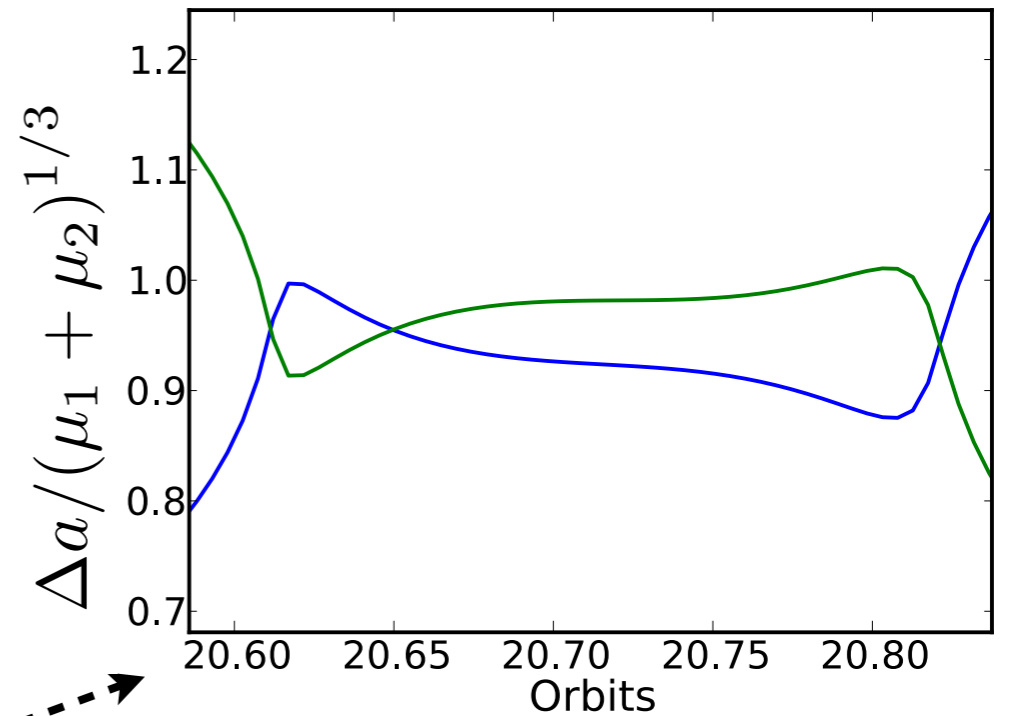
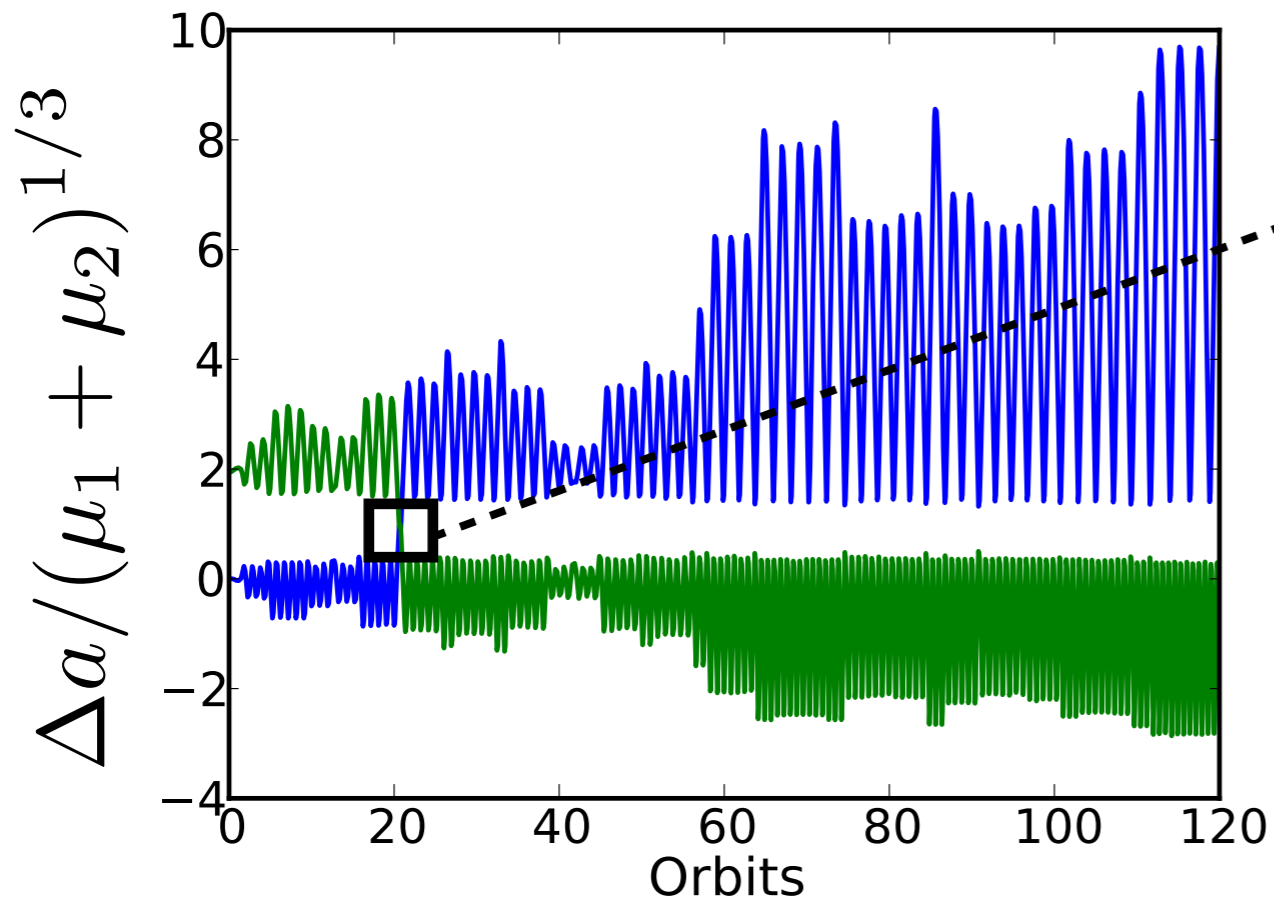
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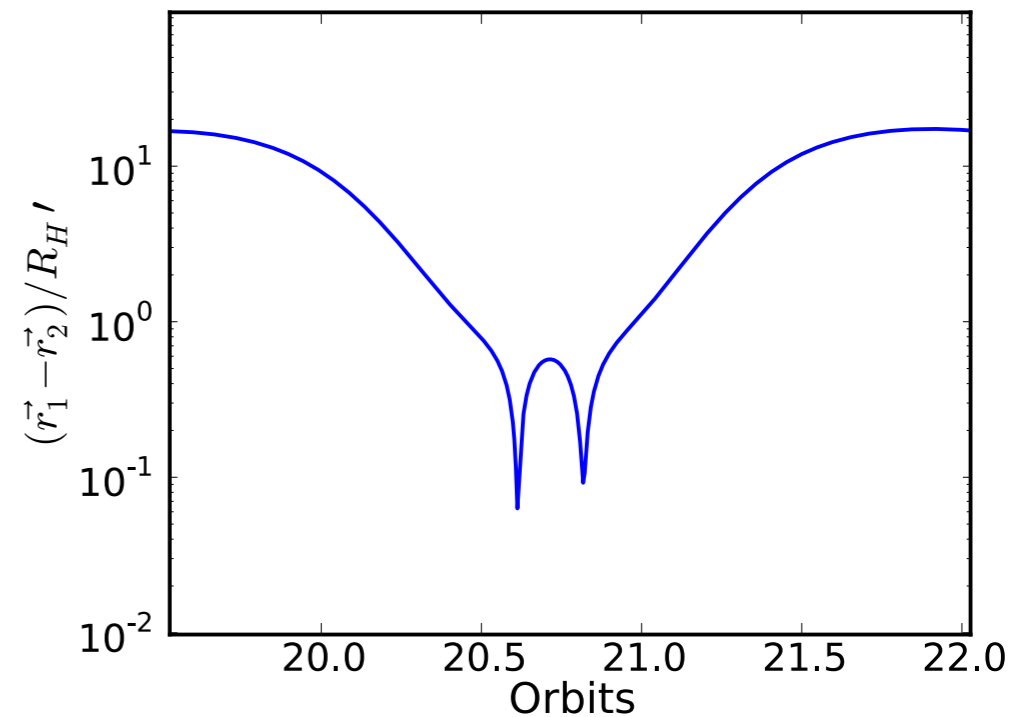
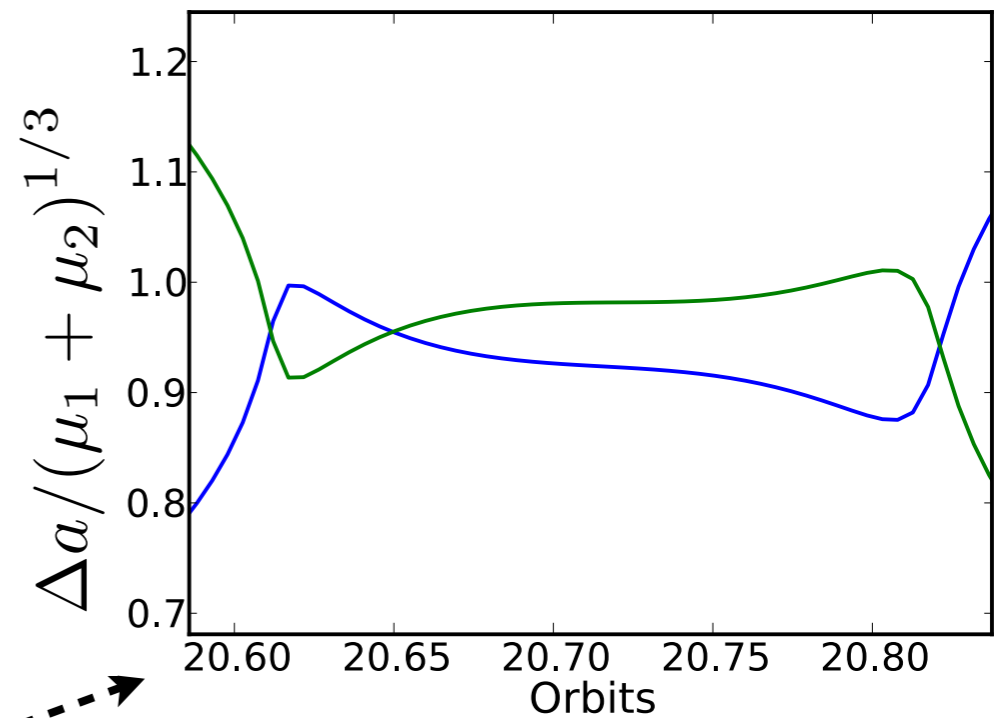
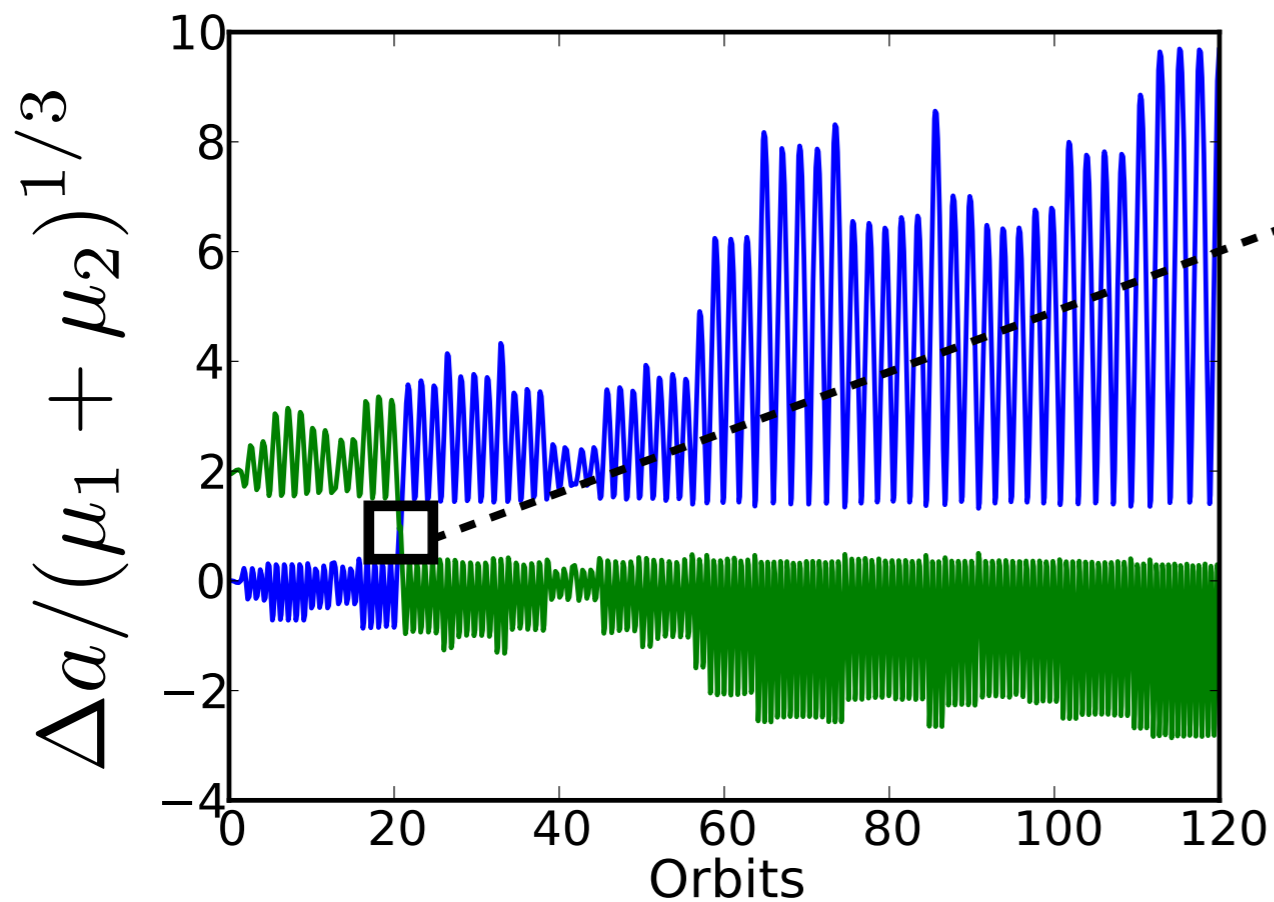
$r_{\text{ej}} \approx$  O.O.M!!



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$$r_{\text{ej}} \approx \frac{Gm_1}{v_{\text{esc},*}^2} = 5 \times 10^{-4} a_1 \approx 0.007 R'_H$$



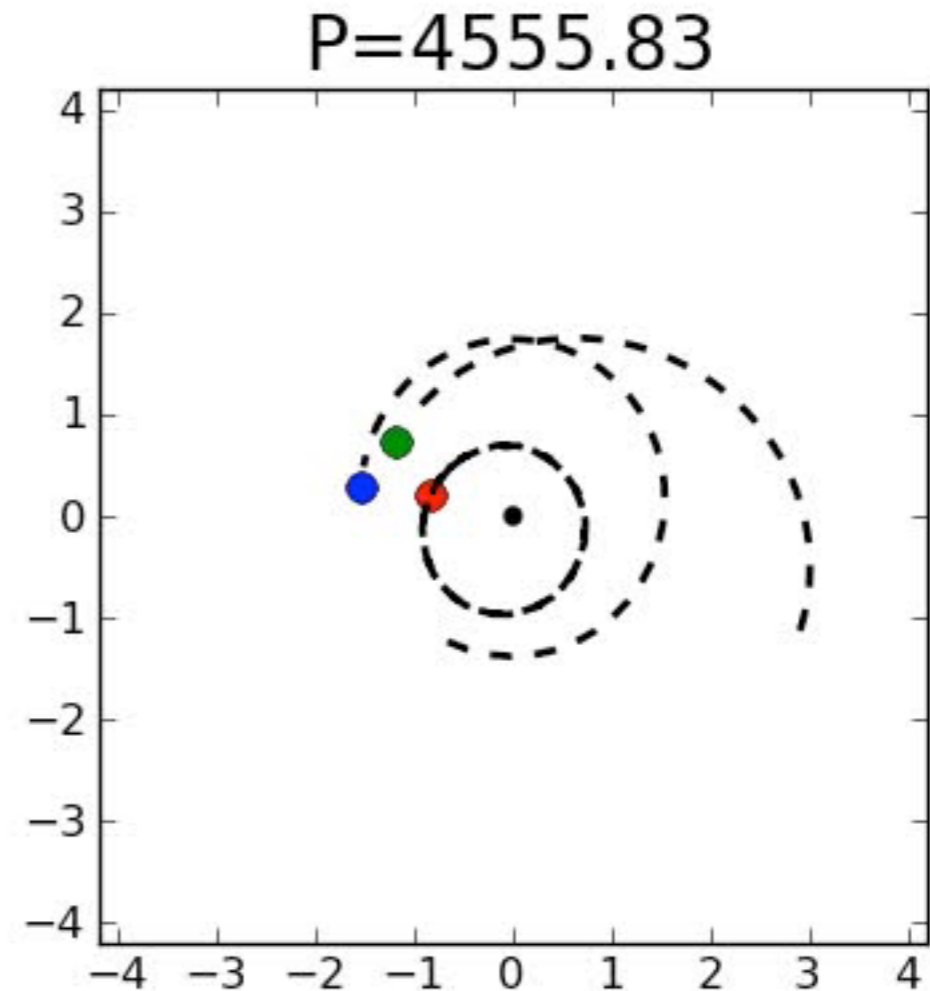
# Multi-Planet Stability: >3 Close Planets

- No more “clean” **analytic** rules for stability:

- average **instability timescale** (Chambers et al 1996, *fit* Youdin, Kratter, & Kenyon 2012)

$$\log(t_c/P_1) = -9.11 + 4.39\Delta'\mu^{1/12} - 1.07\log(\mu)$$

- Above 5, **number of planets** makes little difference to instability timescale
- Two and three body resonances important (see e.g. Quillen 2011)



$$\Delta \sim 3.5R'_H, m_* = 1.0,$$

$$a_1 = 1.0, m_2 = m_3 = m_4 = 0.001$$

# Resonances

- Definition: Resonances are precise numerical relationships between frequencies or periods (Murray & Dermott 1999)
  - Spin-Orbit (Earth, Moon)
  - **Orbit-Orbit / mean motion (Neptune-Pluto)**
  - Secular Resonance (e.g. Kozai)
- Resonances can stabilize orbits
  - torques always return you to the resonance
  - Less time averaging at higher  $e$

Peale 1976

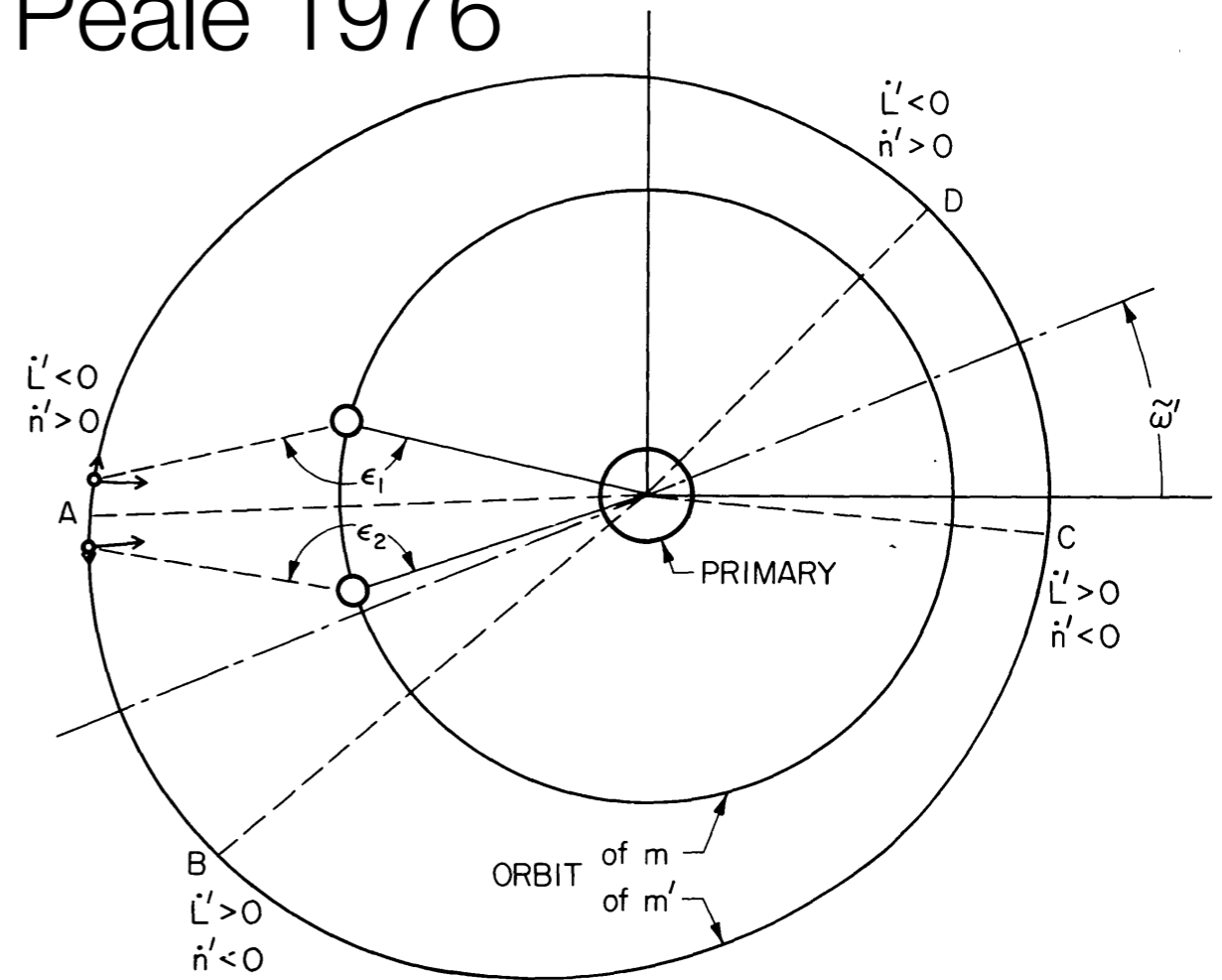
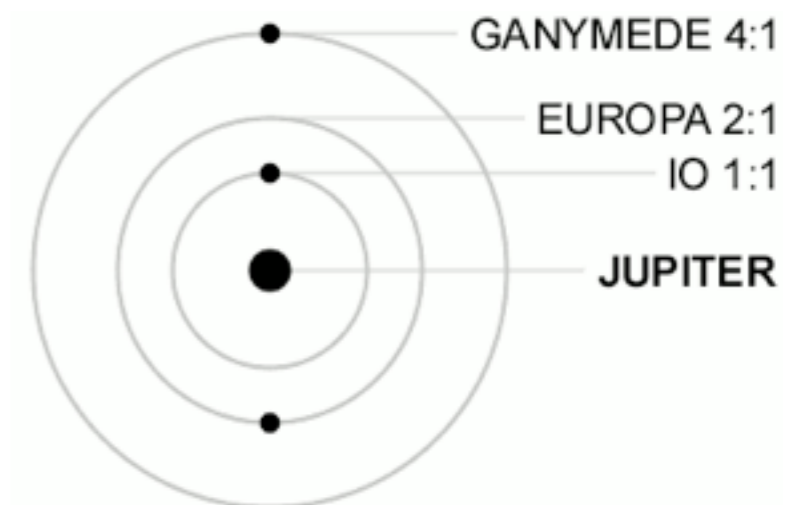
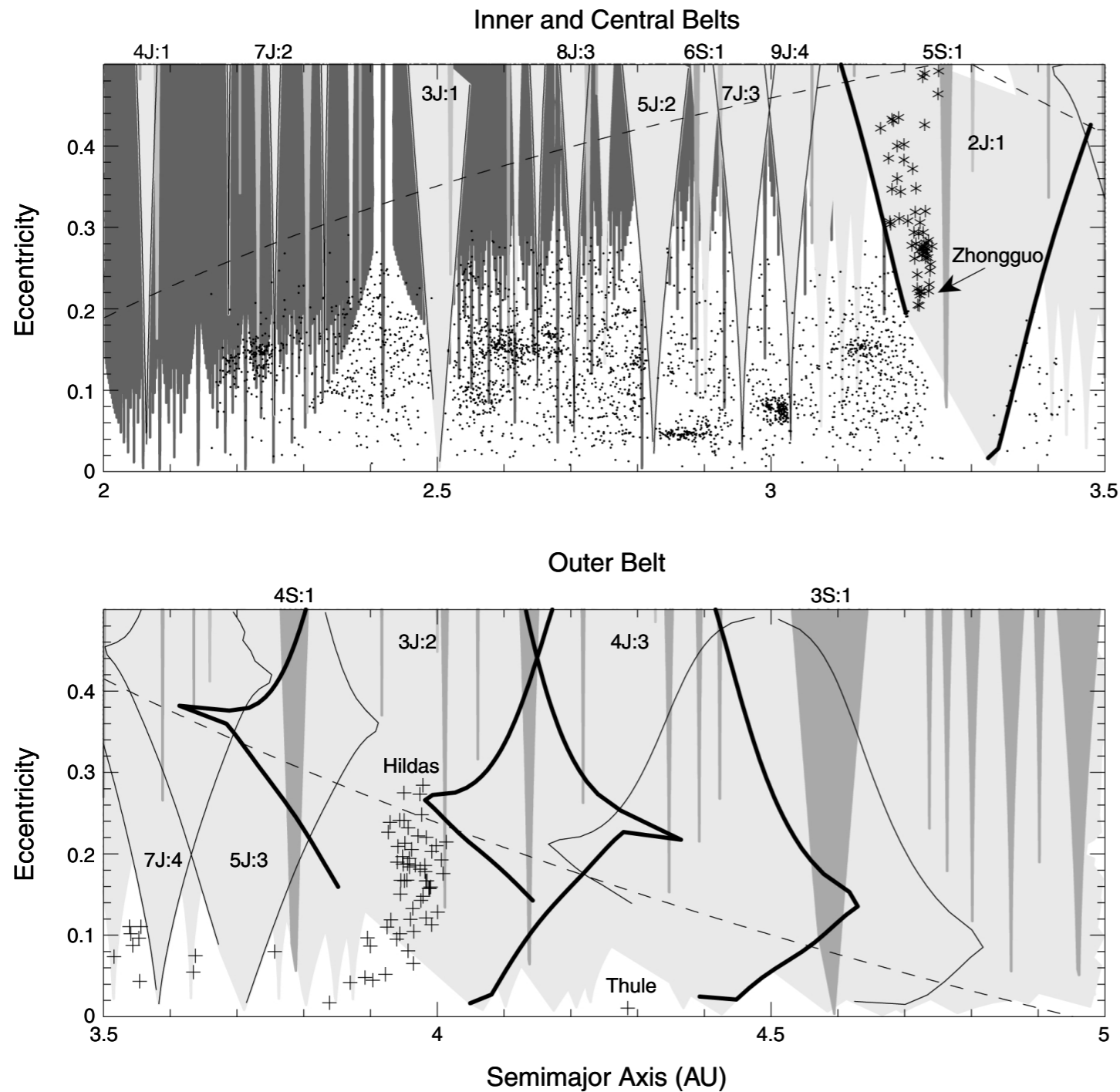


Figure 1 Large-eccentricity stability mechanism. Arbitrary positions of repetitive conjunctions are at points A, B, C, D.  $L$  and  $n$  are angular momentum and mean motions, respectively.



Example:  
Laplace Resonance

# Resonance: Stable or Unstable?



- Stabilize by **preventing** close interactions (Neptune, Pluto)
- Destabilize due to **resonance overlap**: two (or more) resonances occur in the same phase space

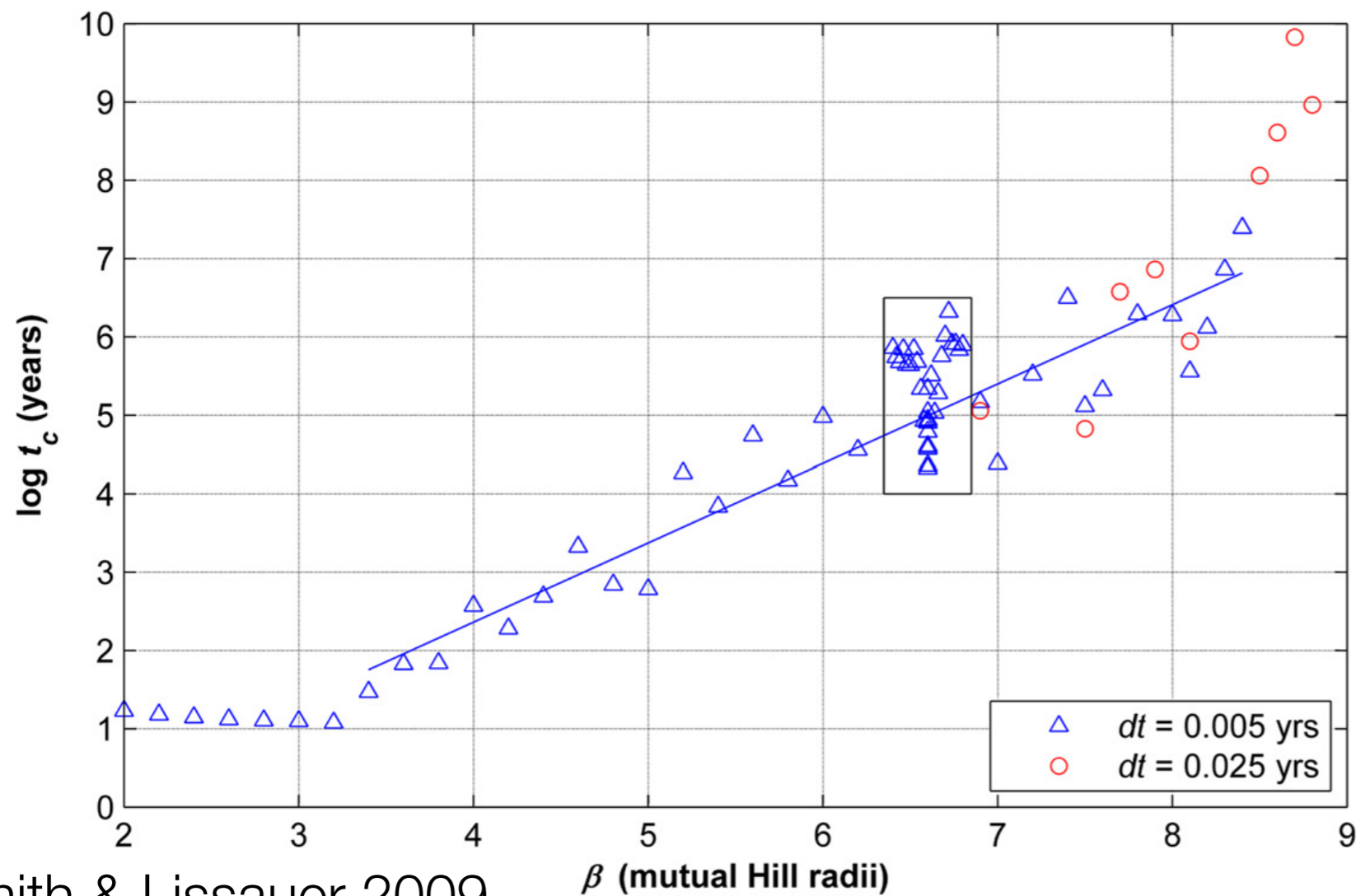
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see e.g. Wisdom 1980



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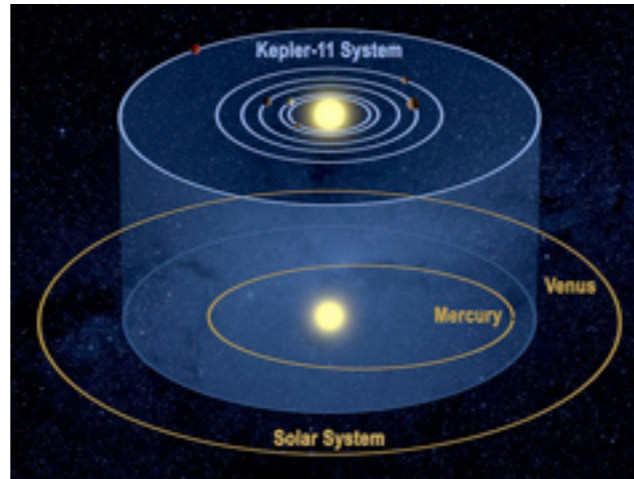
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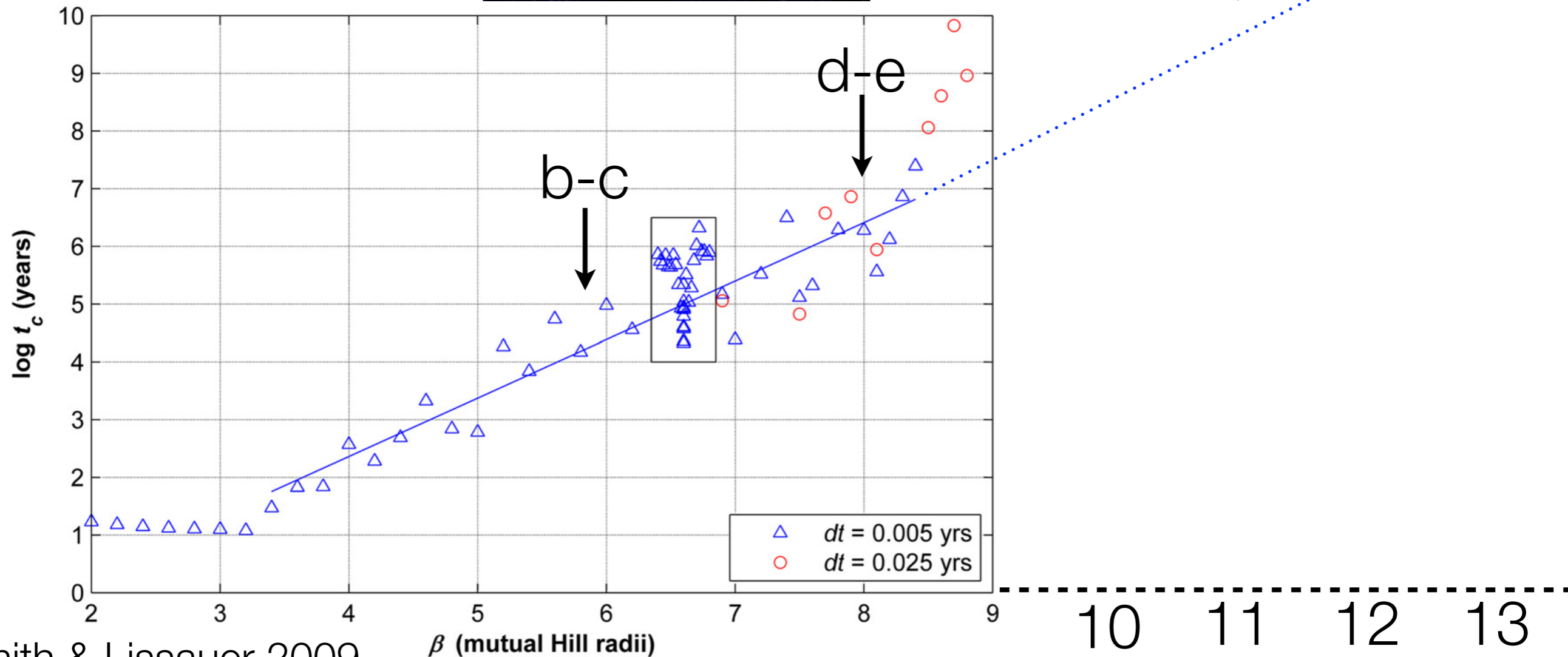
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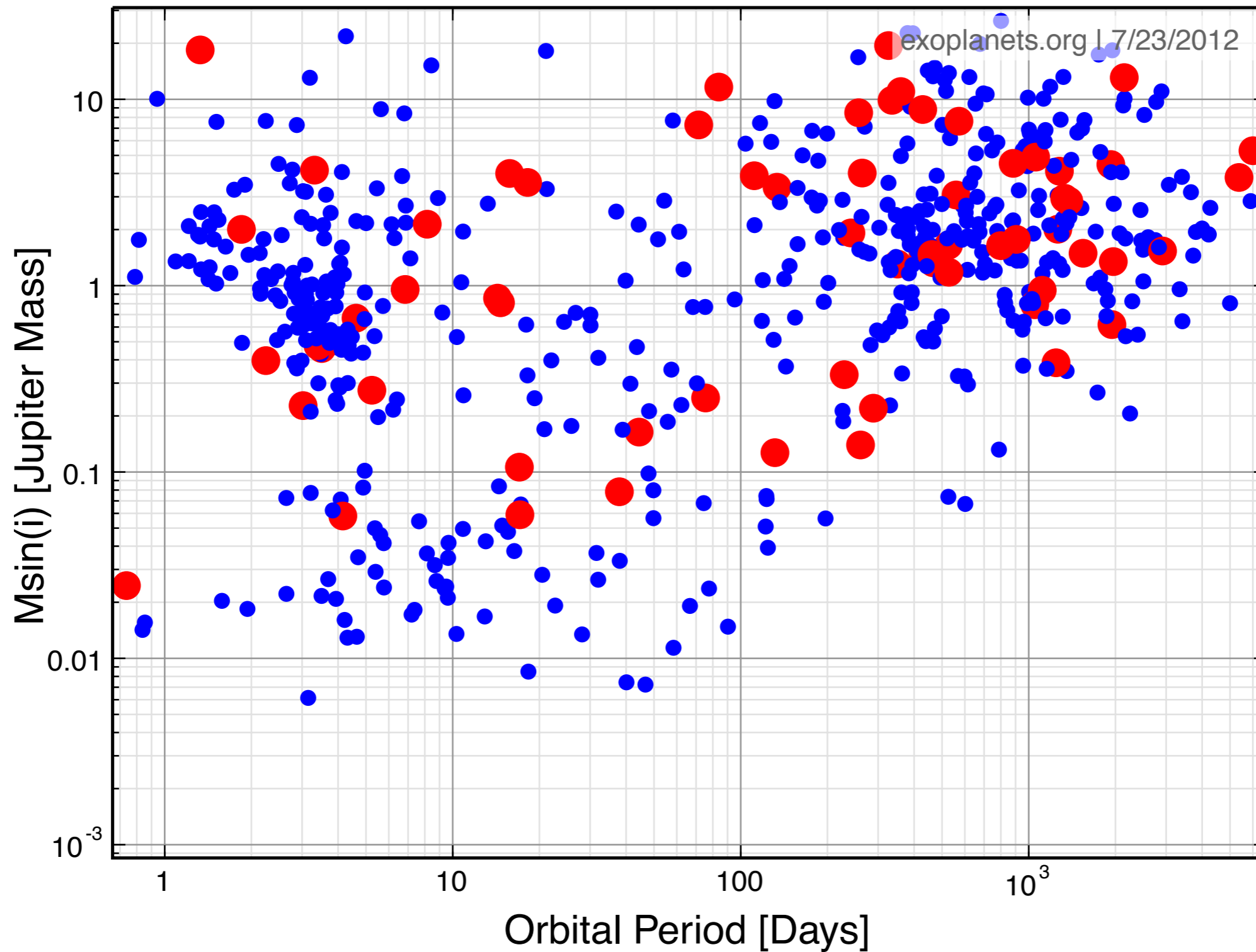


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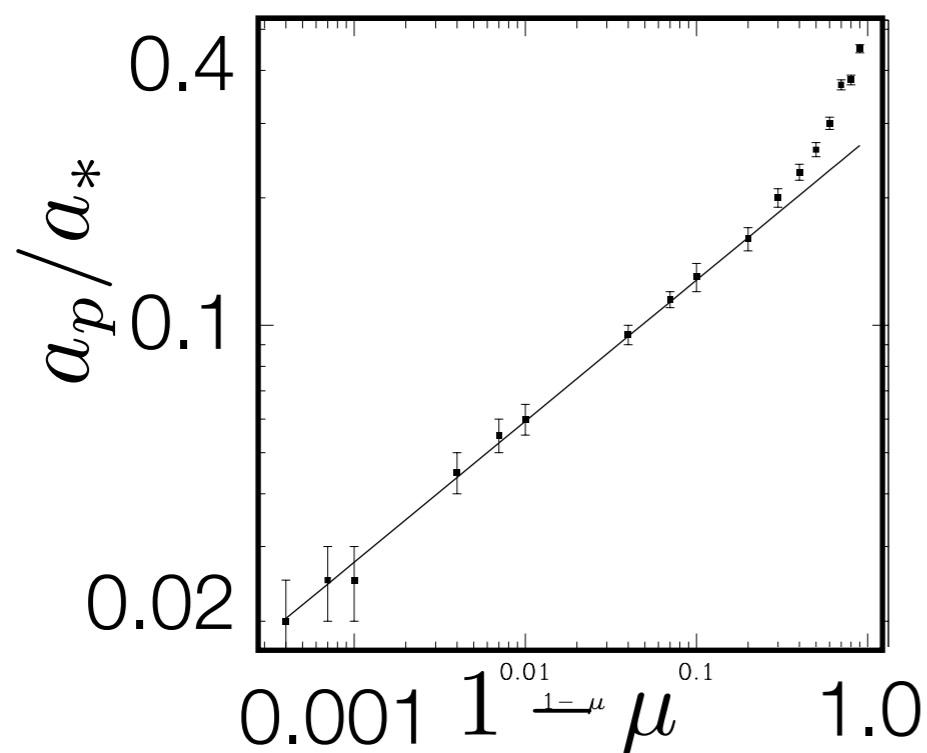
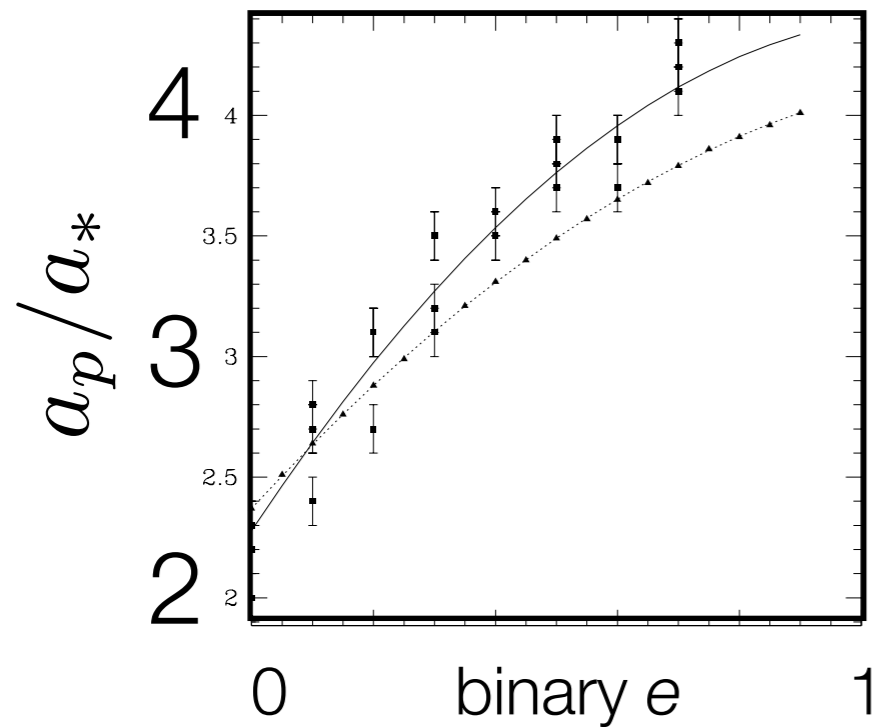
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# More complicated: Binary Planetary Systems



# Stability of Planets around Binaries: R3BP

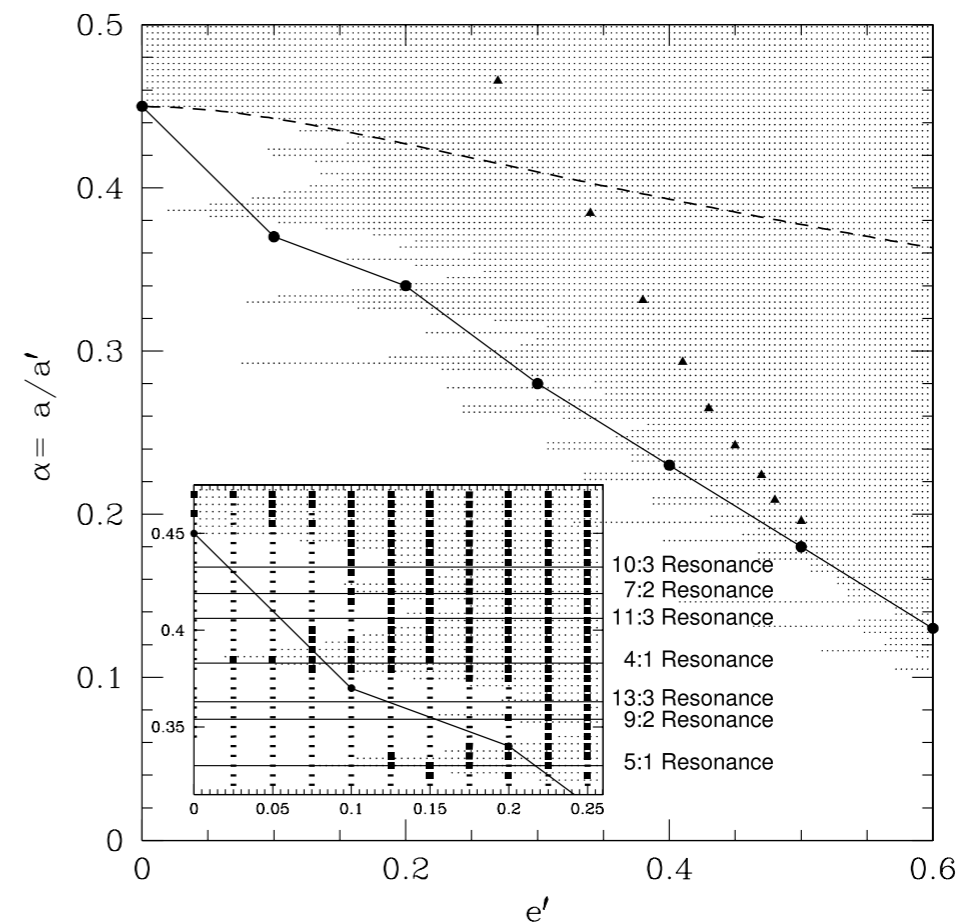
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- Two types of orbits

- “P Type” orbits have planet outside of stellar binary
- “S Type” orbits have planet around one star in the binary

- Mudryk & Wu 2006 show that the cause is resonance overlap



# Applications of Dynamics

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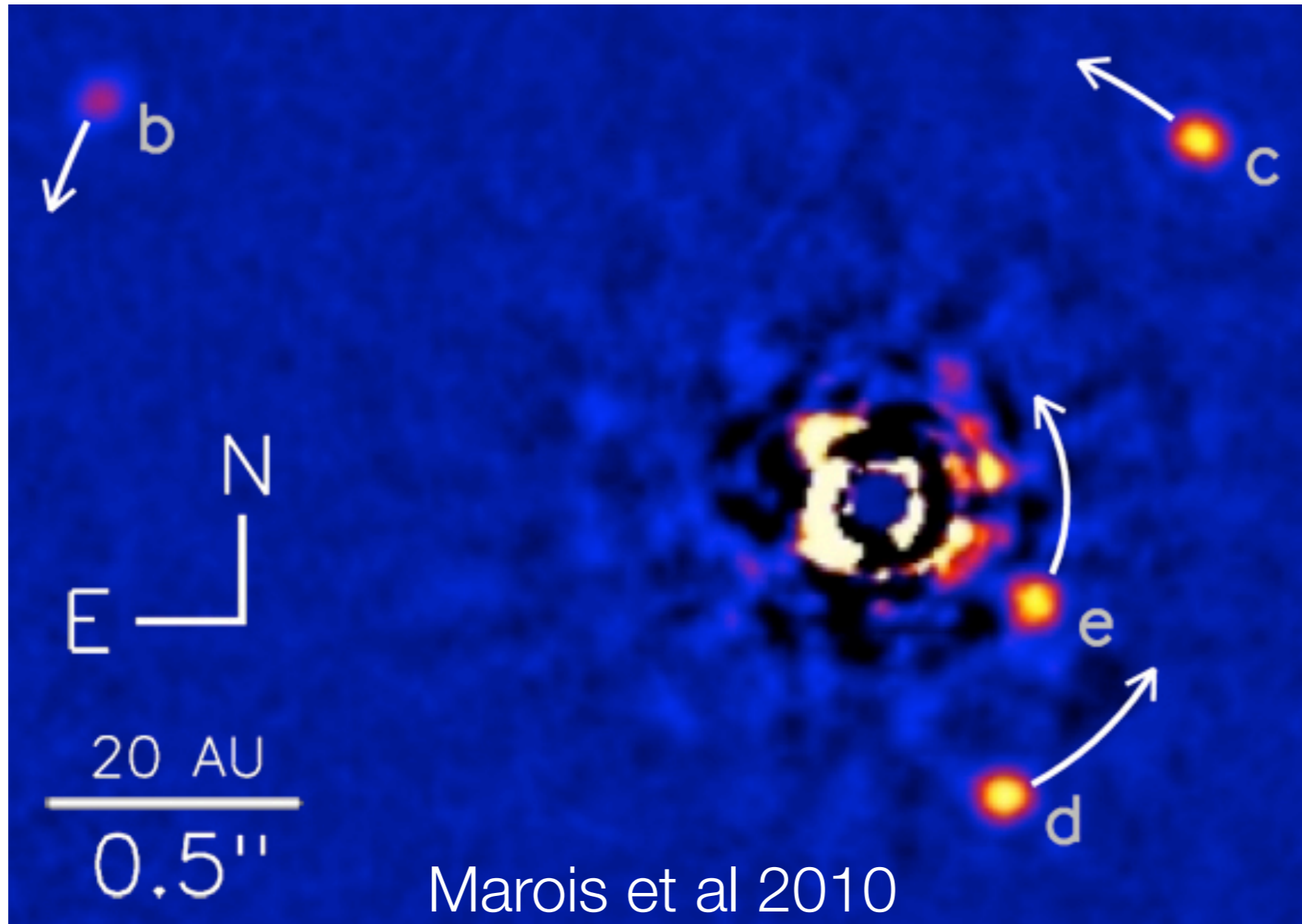
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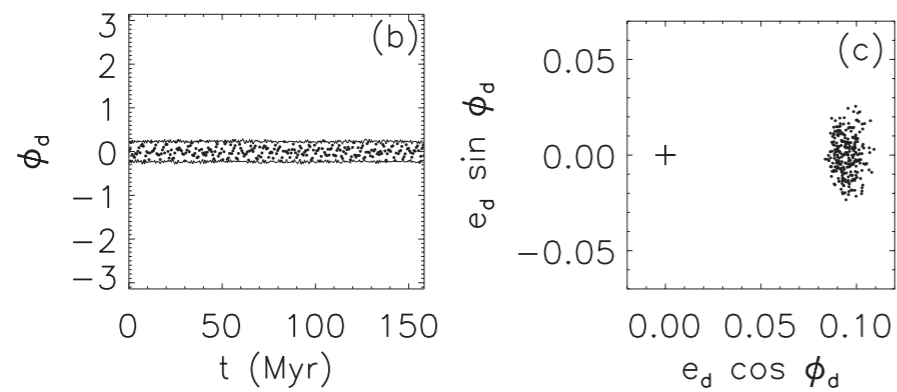
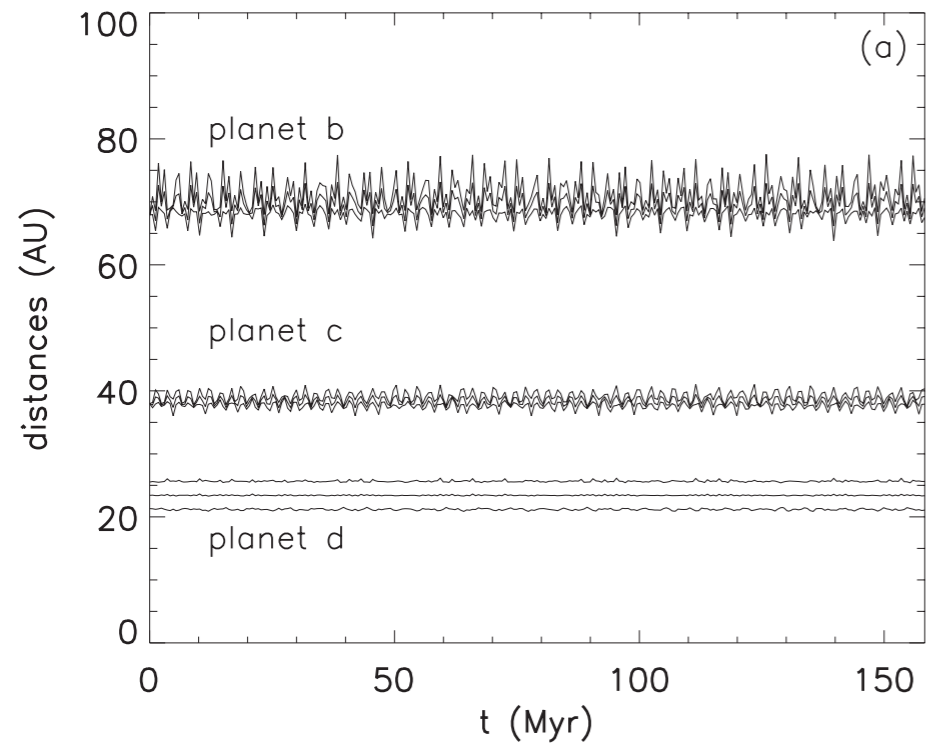
**A: We learn a lot by modeling system dynamics alone**

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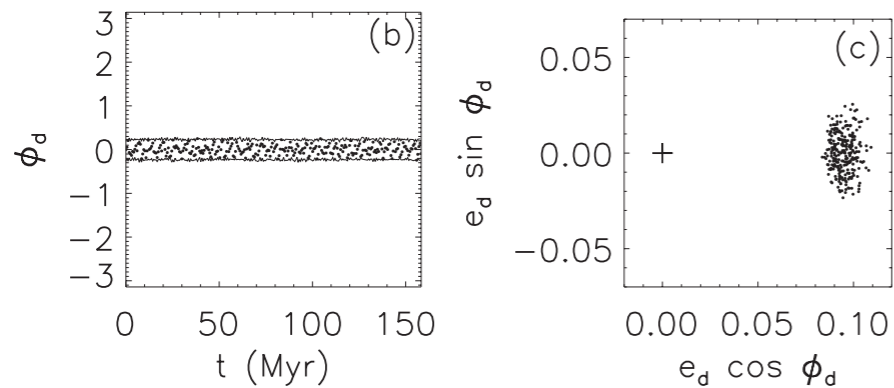
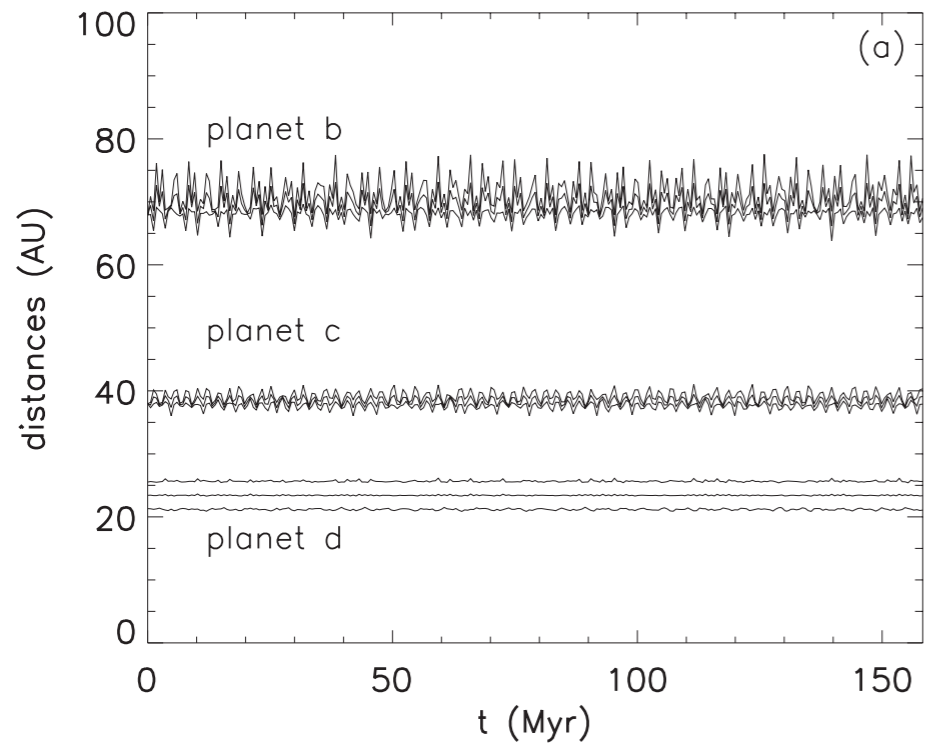
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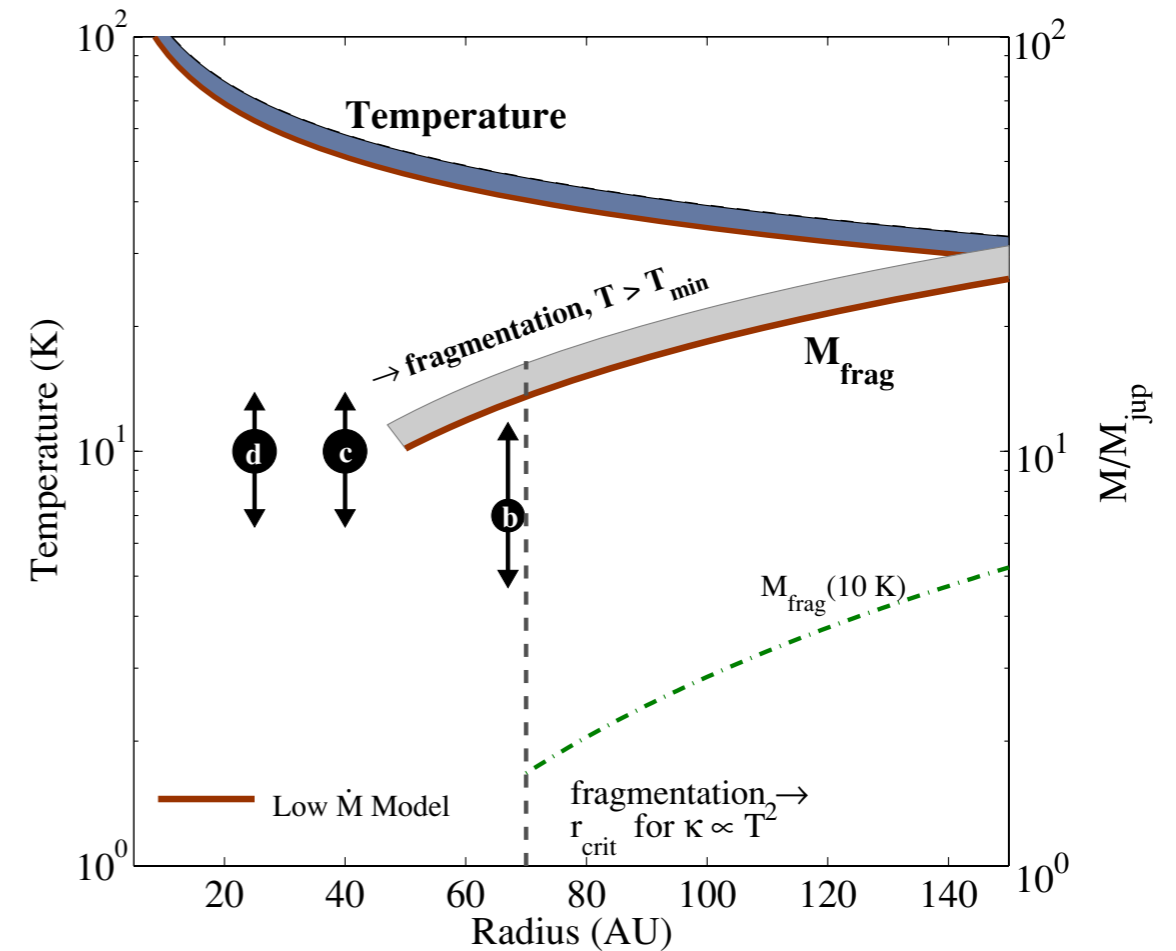
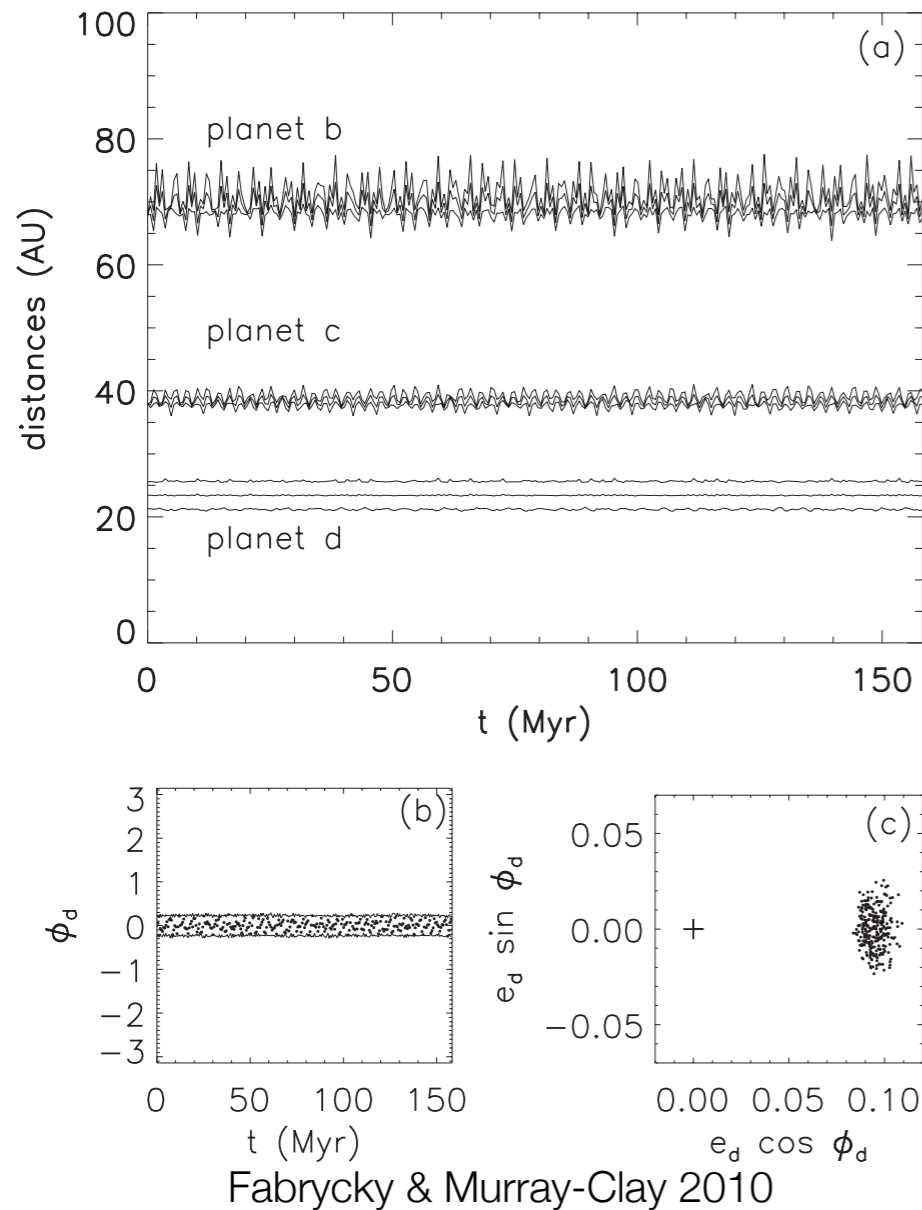
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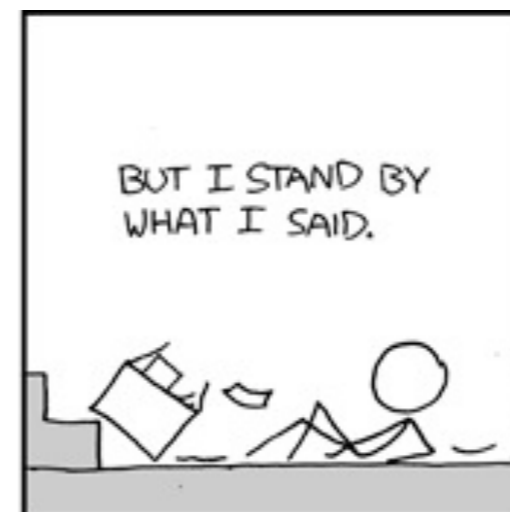
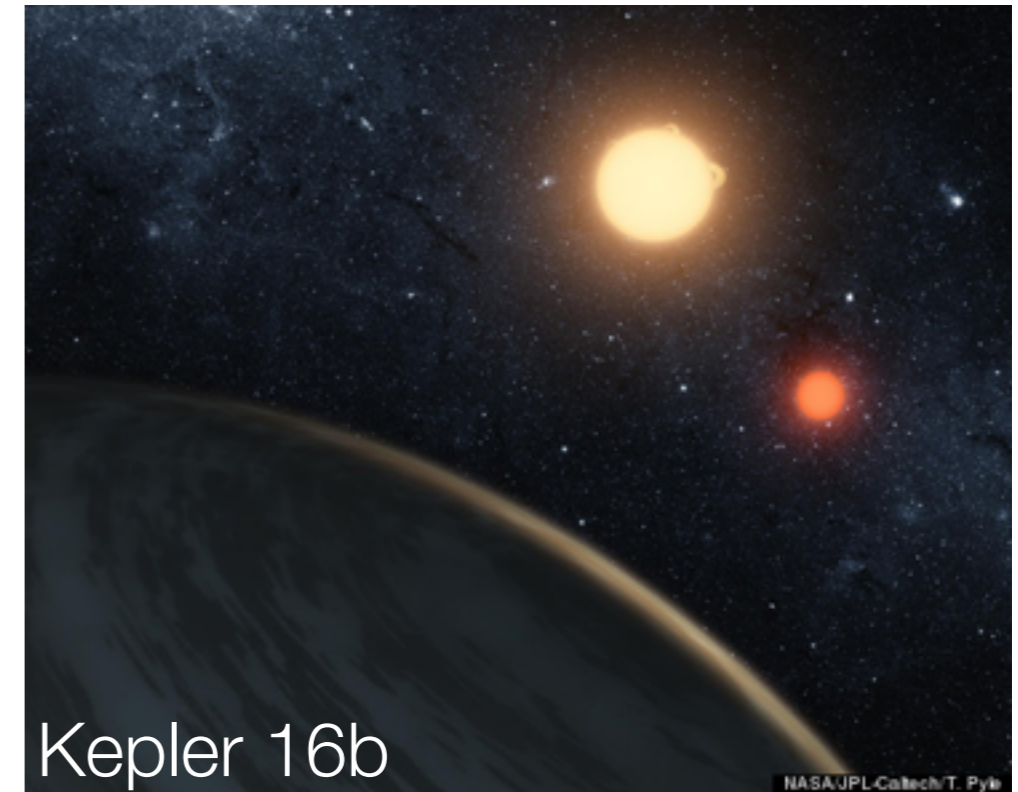
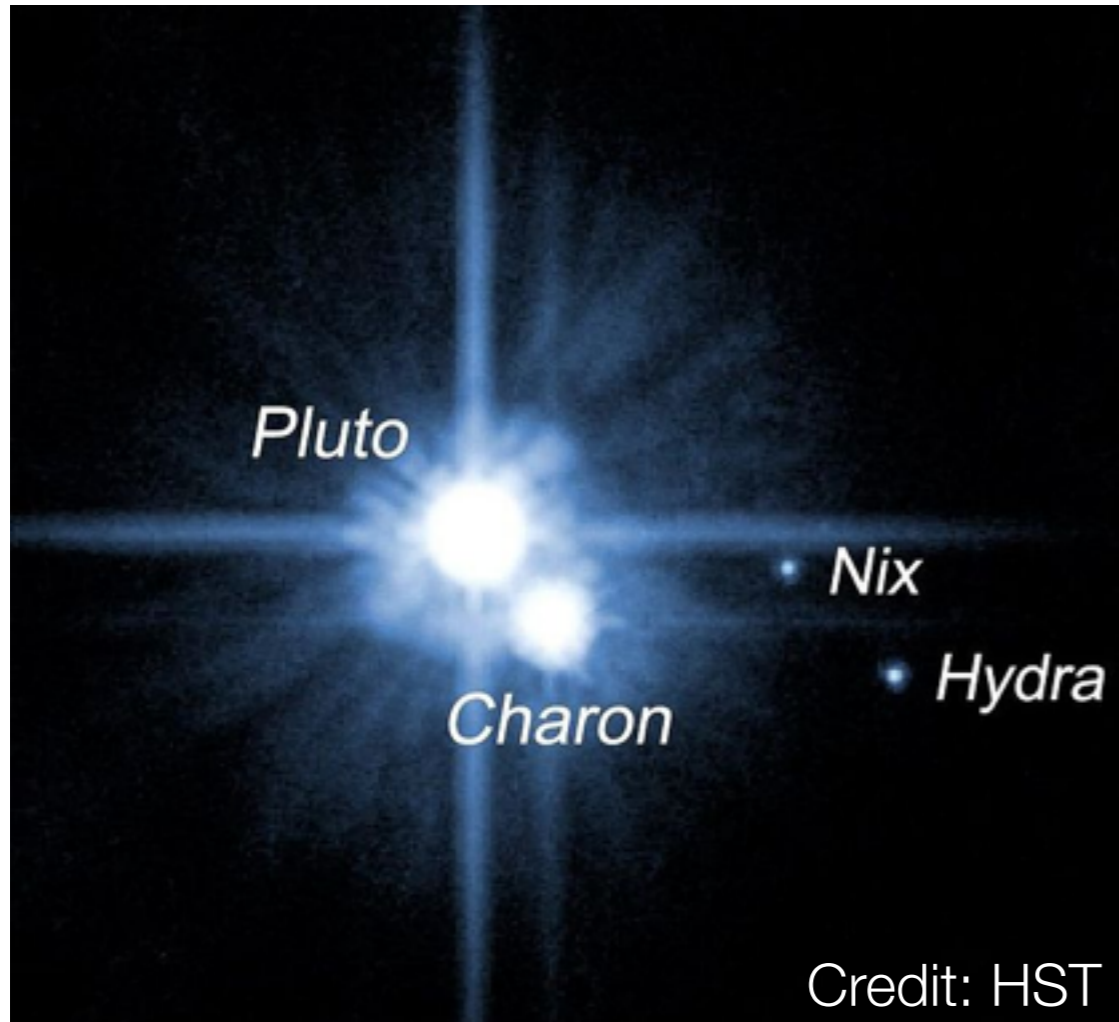


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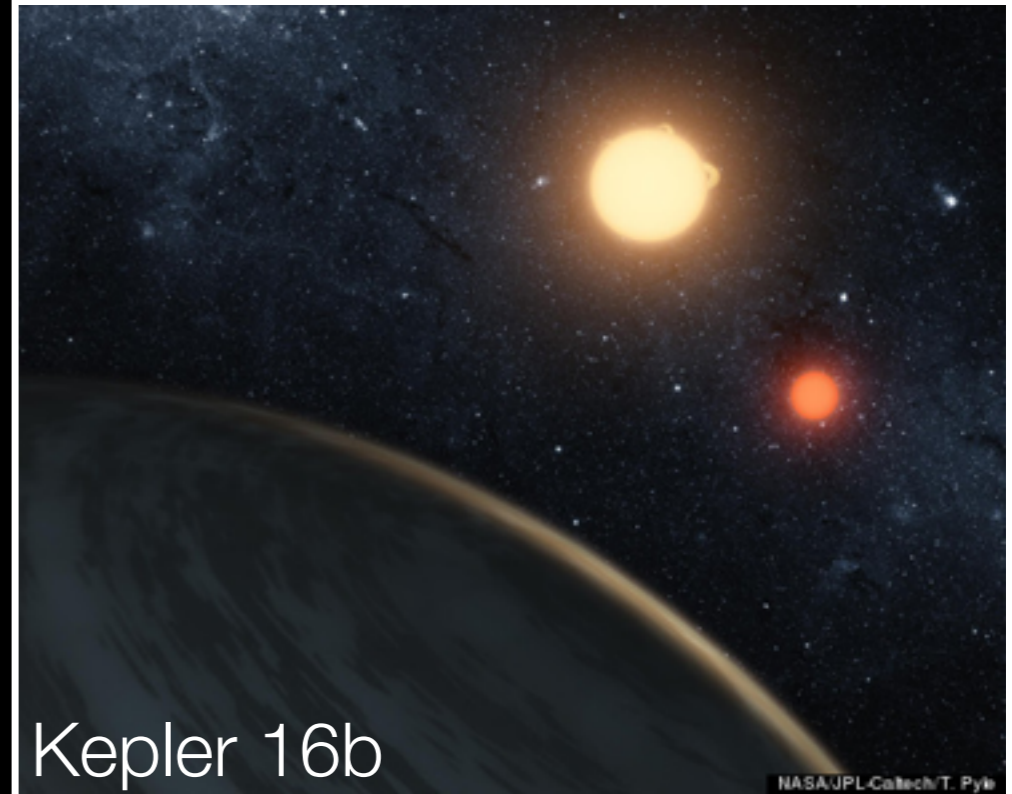
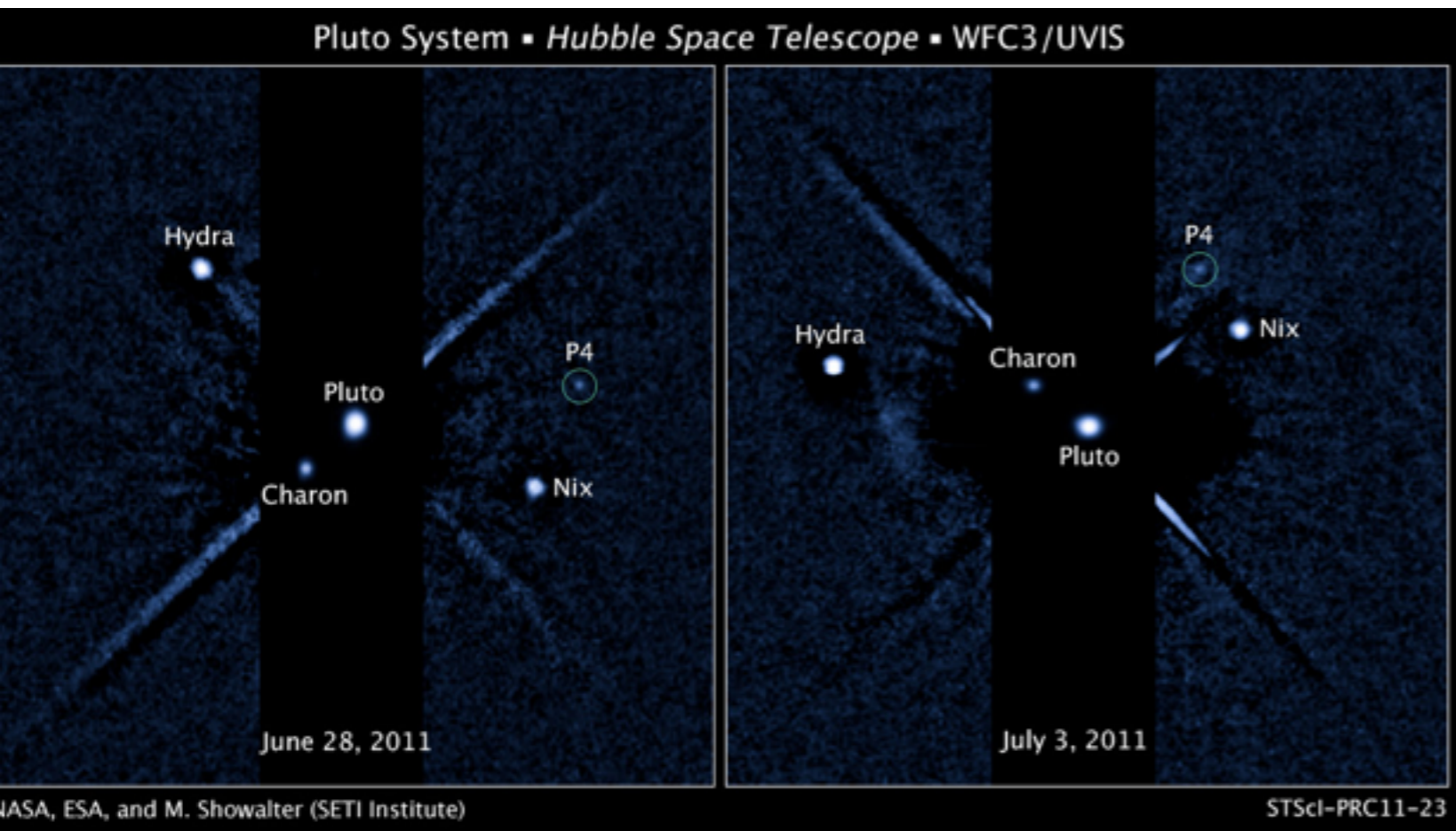
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- Formation models prefer low masses or migration scenarios that don't favor resonance

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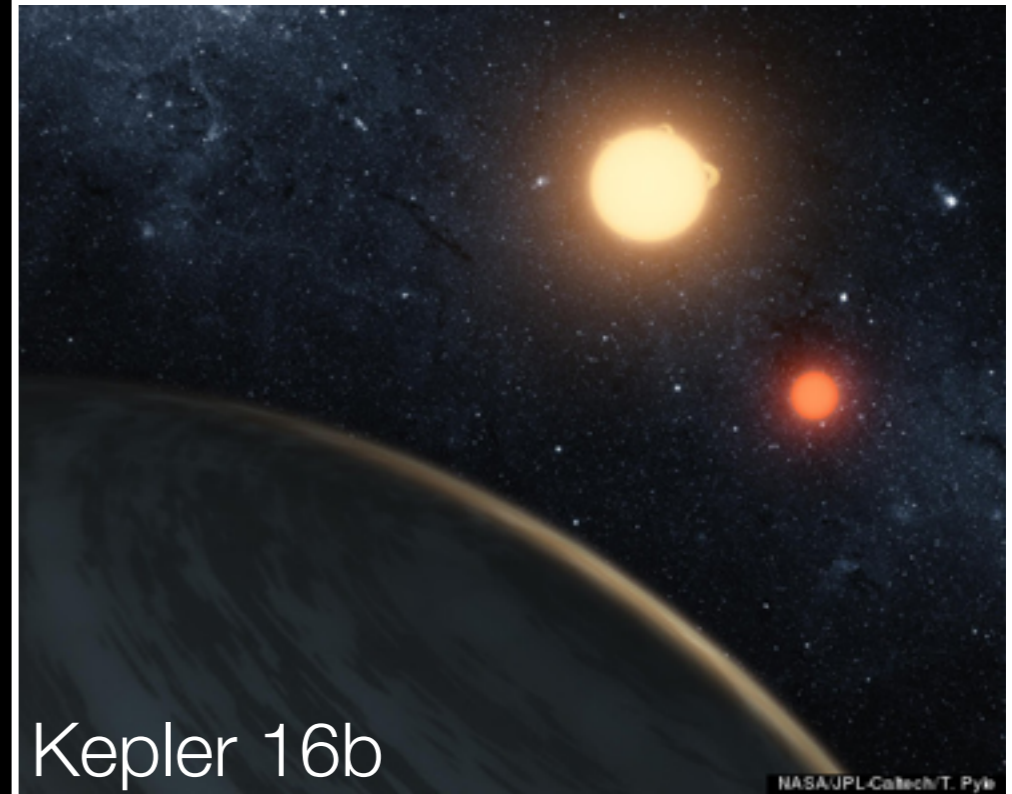
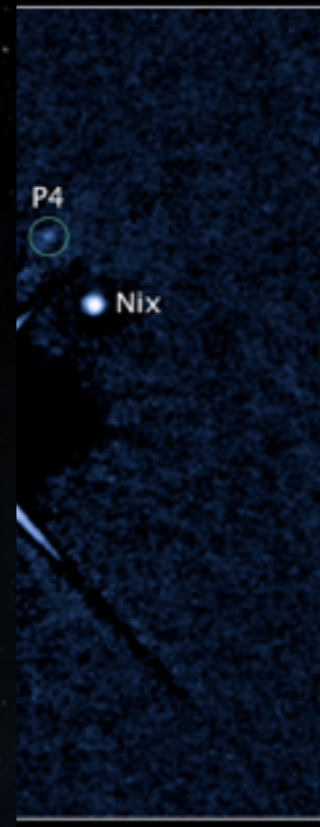
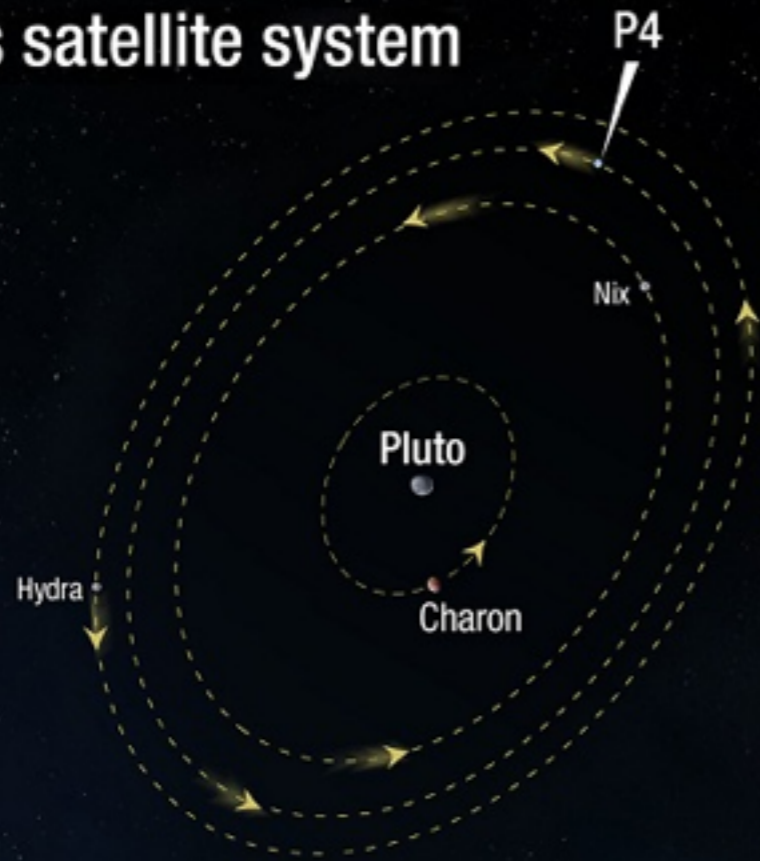


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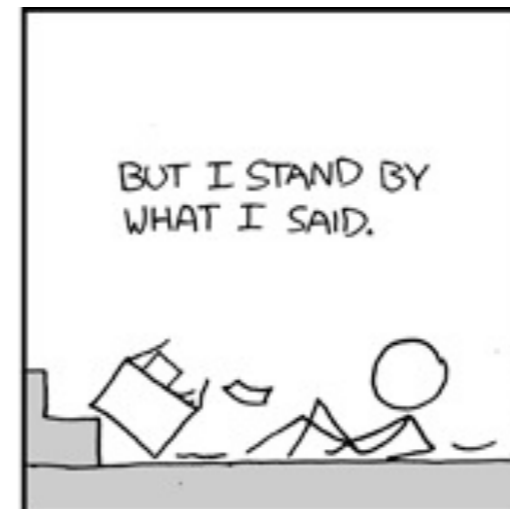


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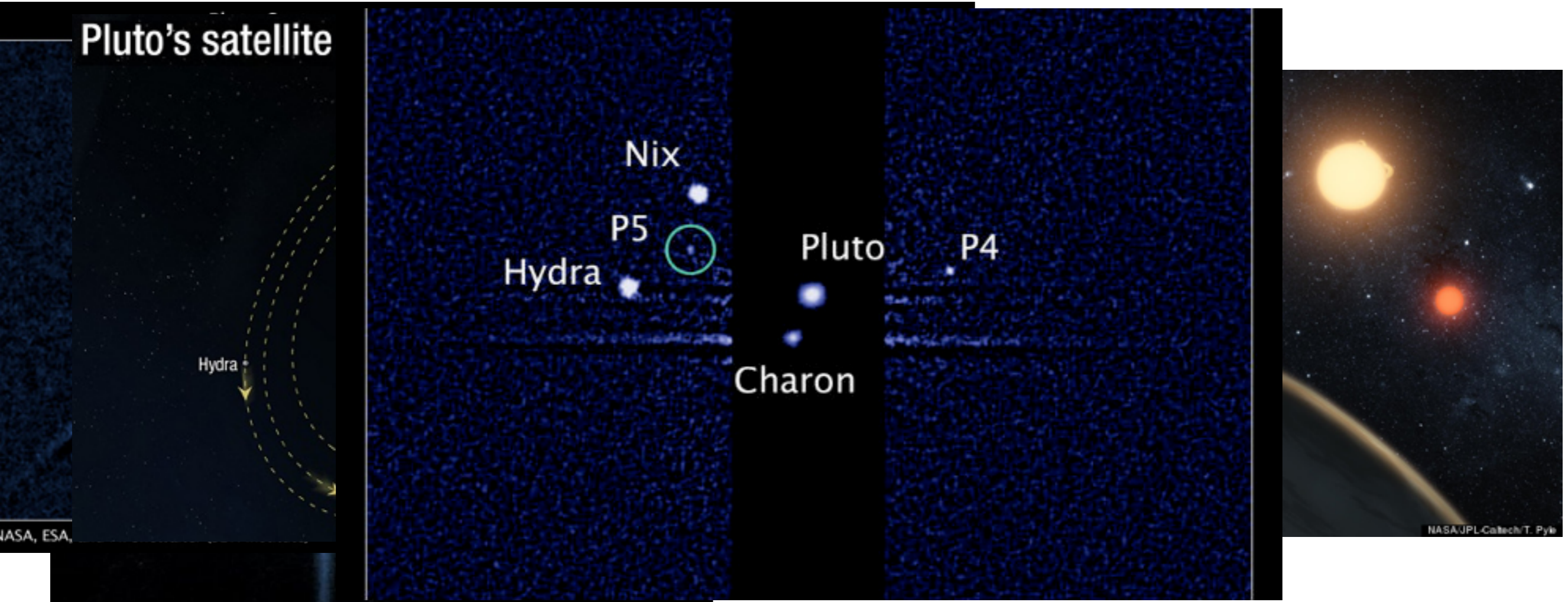
Pluto's satellite system



Credit: HST



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# Pluto-Charon

## Semi-major axis

17 536 ± 4 km to system barycenter, 19 571 ± 4 km to the center of Pluto

## Eccentricity

0.002 2

## Orbital period

6.387 230 4 ± 0.000 001 1 d  
(6 d 9 h 17 m 36.7 ± 0.1 s)

## Inclination

0.001°  
(to Pluto's equator)  
119.591 ± 0.014°

(to Pluto's orbit)  
112.783 ± 0.014°  
(to the ecliptic)

## Mass Pluto

(1.305 ± 0.007) × 10<sup>22</sup> kg [4]

## Mass Charon

(1.52 ± 0.06) × 10<sup>21</sup> kg [2]  
(2.54 × 10<sup>-4</sup> Earths)  
(11.6% of Pluto)

## Mass Nix

5 × 10<sup>16</sup> – 2 × 10<sup>18</sup> kg [4]

## Mass Hydra

1 × 10<sup>17</sup> – 9 × 10<sup>17</sup> kg [3]

# Kepler 16b

Parameter	Value and Uncertainty
<i>Star A</i>	
Mass, $M_A (M_\odot)$	0.6897 <sup>+0.0035</sup> <sub>-0.0034</sub>
Radius, $R_A (R_\odot)$	0.6489 <sup>+0.0013</sup> <sub>-0.0013</sub>
Mean Density, $\rho_A (g\ cm^{-3})$	3.563 <sup>+0.017</sup> <sub>-0.016</sub>
Surface Gravity, $\log g_A (cgs)$	4.6527 <sup>+0.0017</sup> <sub>-0.0016</sub>
Effective Temperature, $T_{eff} (K)$	4450 ± 150
Metallicity, [m/H]	-0.3 ± 0.2
<i>Star B</i>	
Mass, $M_B (M_\odot)$	0.20255 <sup>+0.00066</sup> <sub>-0.00065</sub>
Radius, $R_B (R_\odot)$	0.22623 <sup>+0.00059</sup> <sub>-0.00053</sub>
Mean Density, $\rho_B (g\ cm^{-3})$	24.69 <sup>+0.13</sup> <sub>-0.15</sub>
Surface Gravity, $\log g_B (cgs)$	5.0358 <sup>+0.0014</sup> <sub>-0.0017</sub>
<i>Planet b</i>	
Mass, $M_b (M_{Jupiter})$	0.333 <sup>+0.016</sup> <sub>-0.016</sub>
Radius, $R_b (R_{Jupiter})$	0.7538 <sup>+0.0026</sup> <sub>-0.0023</sub>
Mean Density, $\rho_b (g\ cm^{-3})$	0.964 <sup>+0.047</sup> <sub>-0.046</sub>
Surface Gravity, $g_b (m\ s^{-2})$	14.52 <sup>+0.70</sup> <sub>-0.69</sub>
<i>Binary star orbit</i>	
Period, $P_1 (day)$	41.079220 <sup>+0.000078</sup> <sub>-0.000077</sub>
Semi-major axis length, $a_1 (AU)$	0.22431 <sup>+0.00035</sup> <sub>-0.00034</sub>
Eccentricity, $e_1$	0.15944 <sup>+0.00061</sup> <sub>-0.00062</sub>
Argument of Periapse, $\omega_1 (deg)$	263.464 <sup>+0.026</sup> <sub>-0.027</sub>
Mean Longitude, $\lambda_1 (deg)$	92.3520 <sup>+0.0011</sup> <sub>-0.0011</sub>
Inclination, $i_1 (deg)$	90.3401 <sup>+0.0016</sup> <sub>-0.0019</sub>
Longitude of Nodes, $\Omega_1 (deg)$	≡ 0 (by definition)
<i>Circumbinary planet orbit</i>	
Period, $P_2 (day)$	228.776 <sup>+0.020</sup> <sub>-0.037</sub>
Semi-major axis length, $a_2 (AU)$	0.7048 <sup>+0.0011</sup> <sub>-0.0011</sub>
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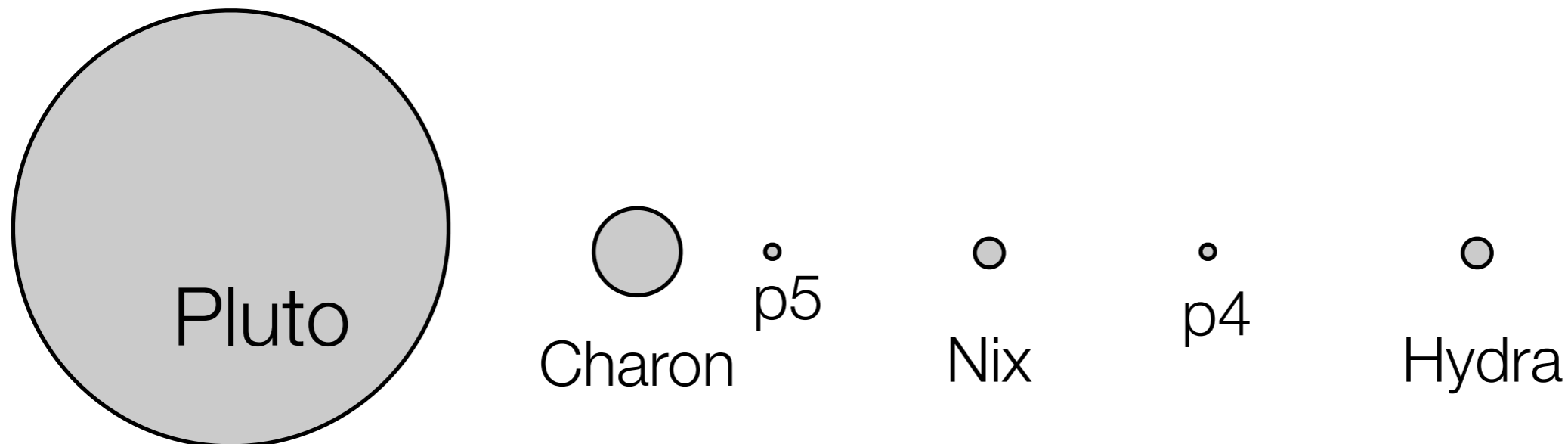
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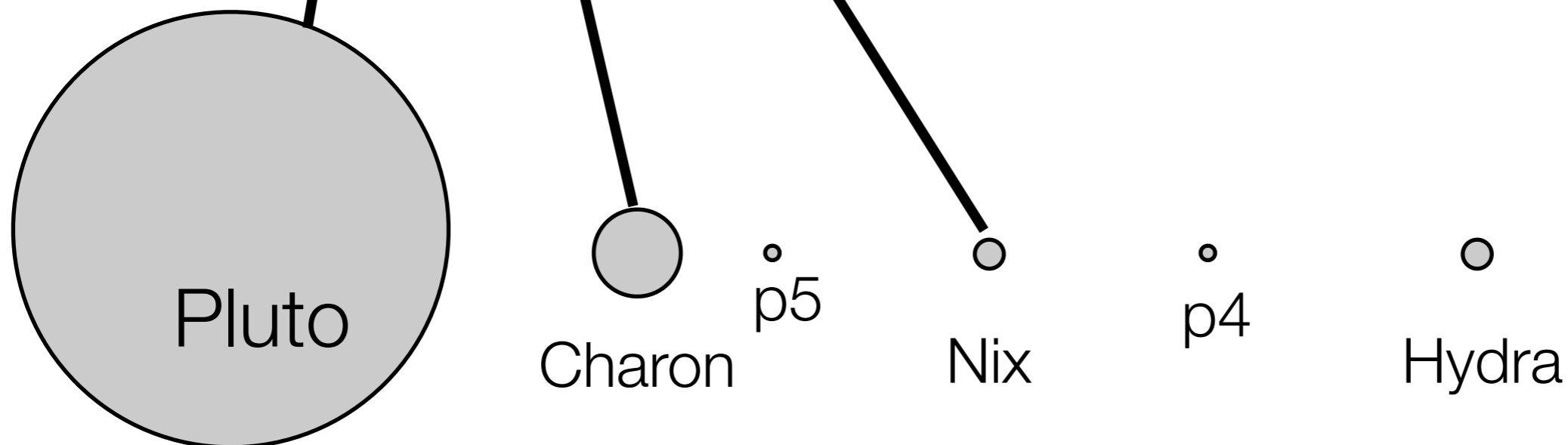
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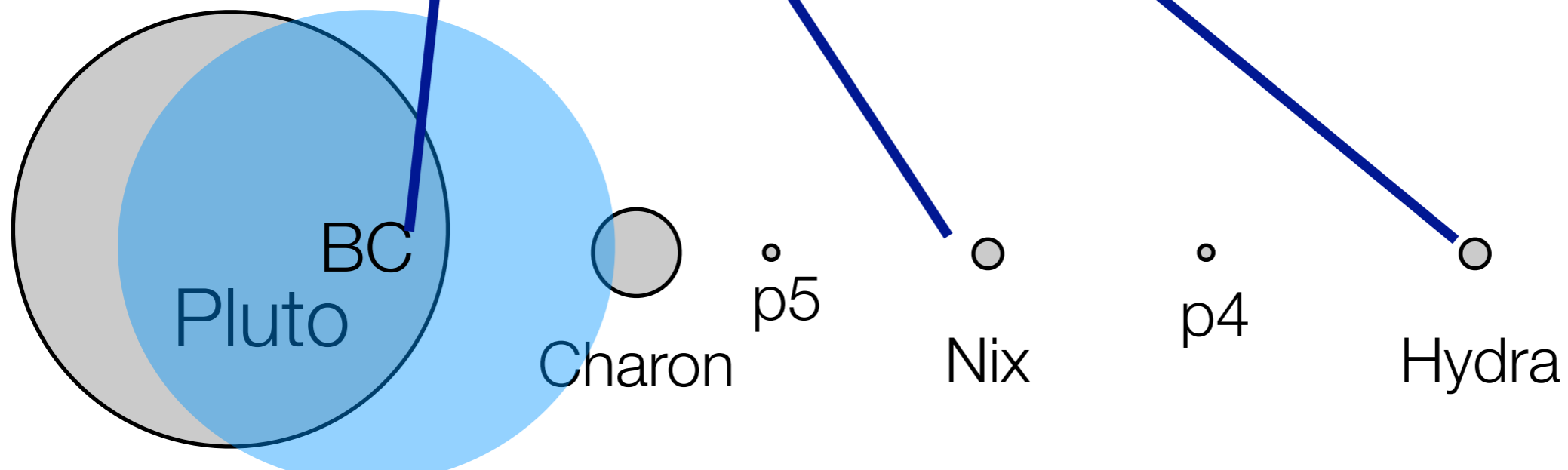
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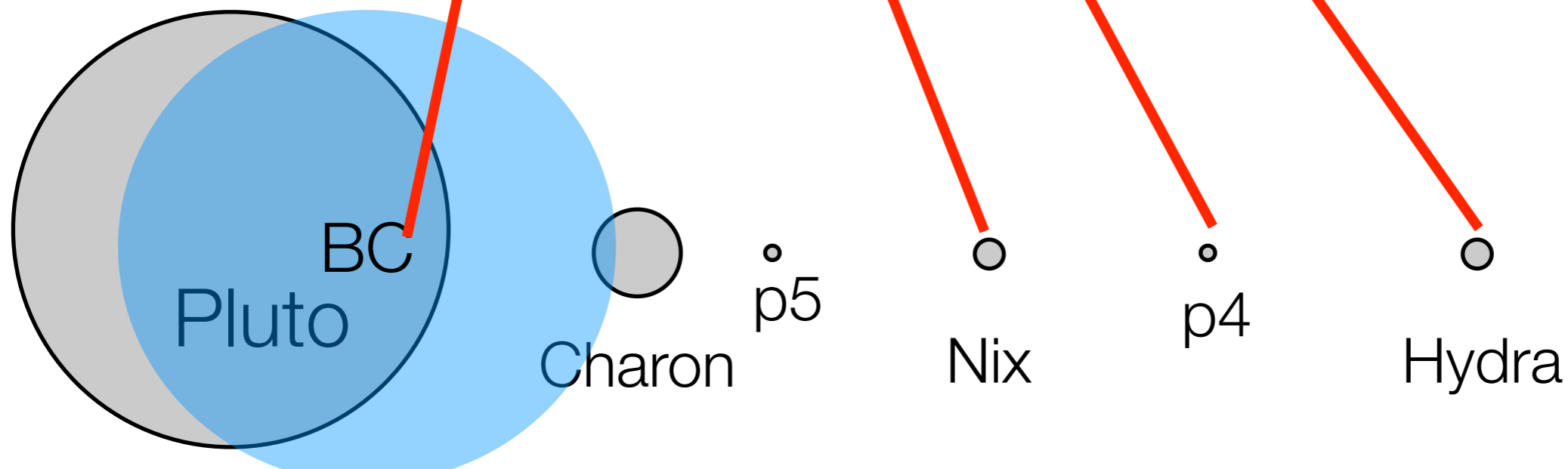
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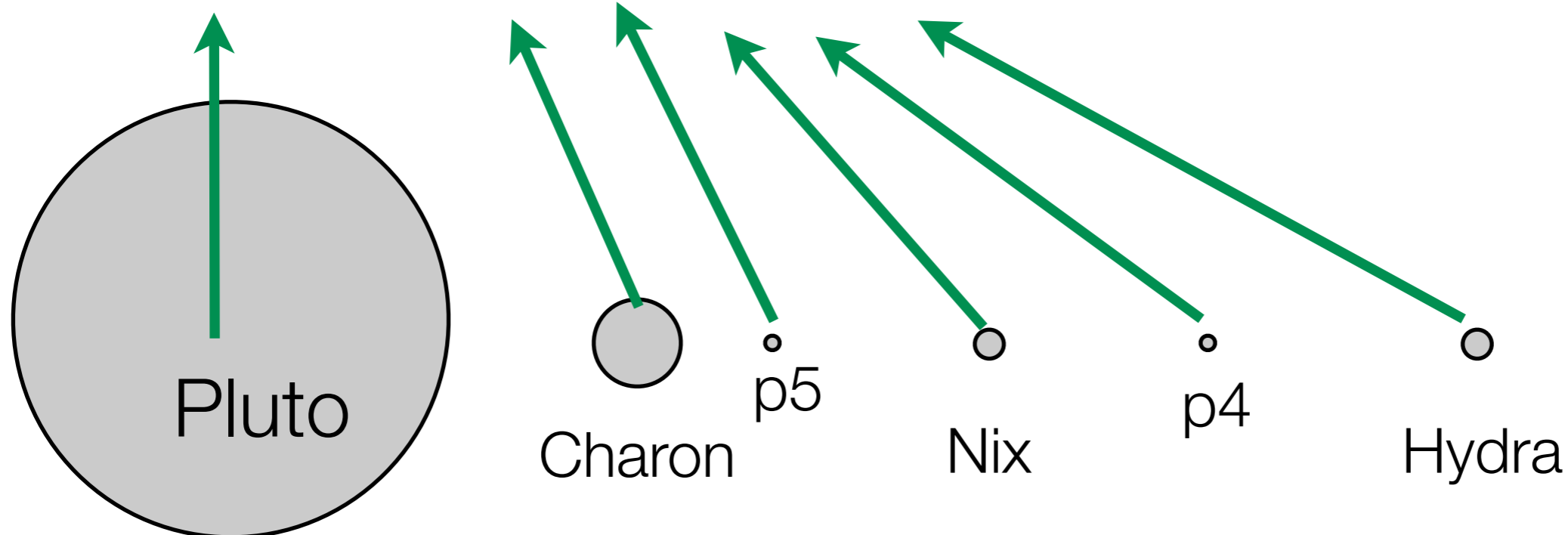
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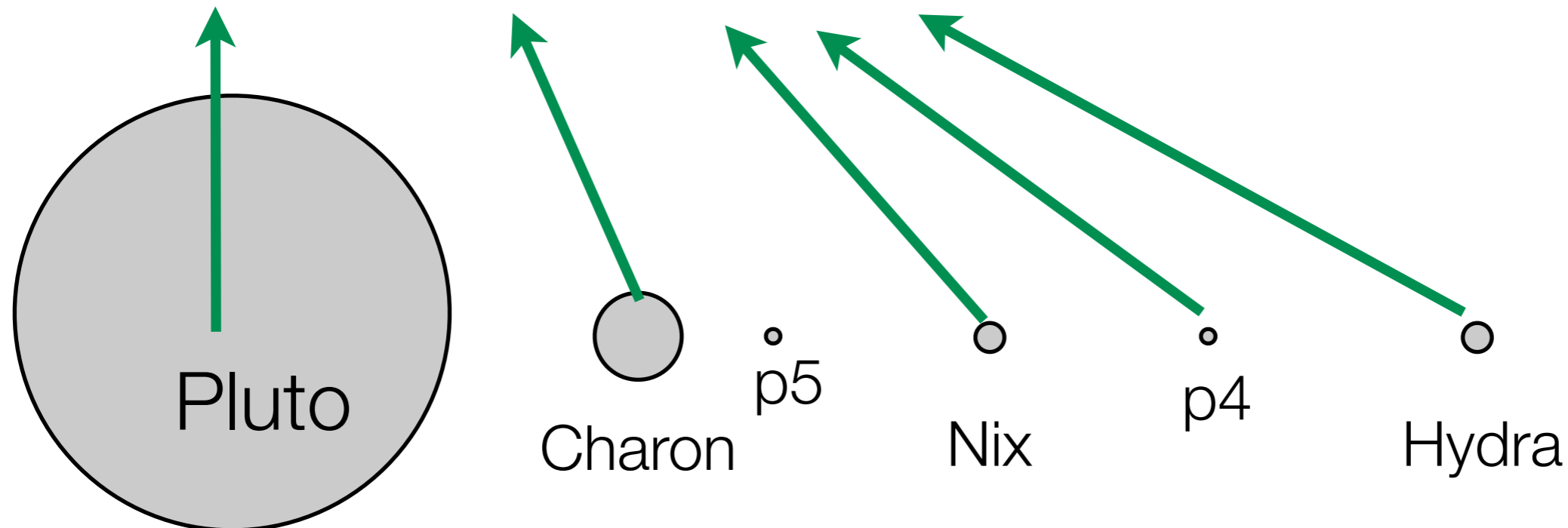
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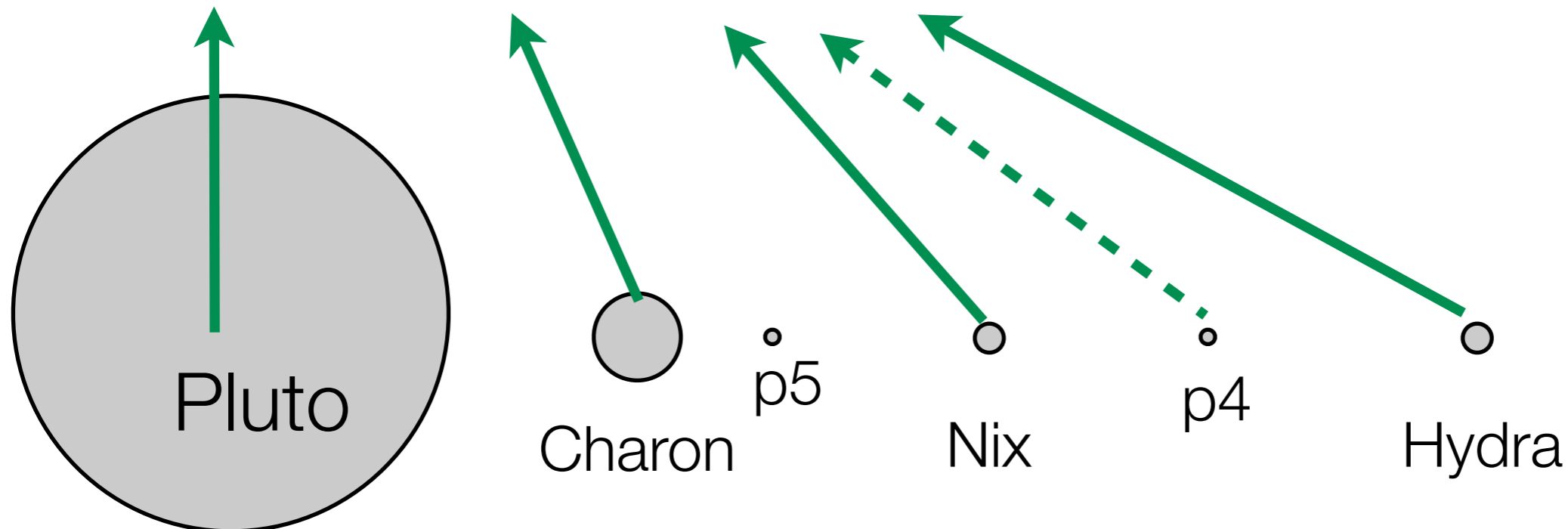
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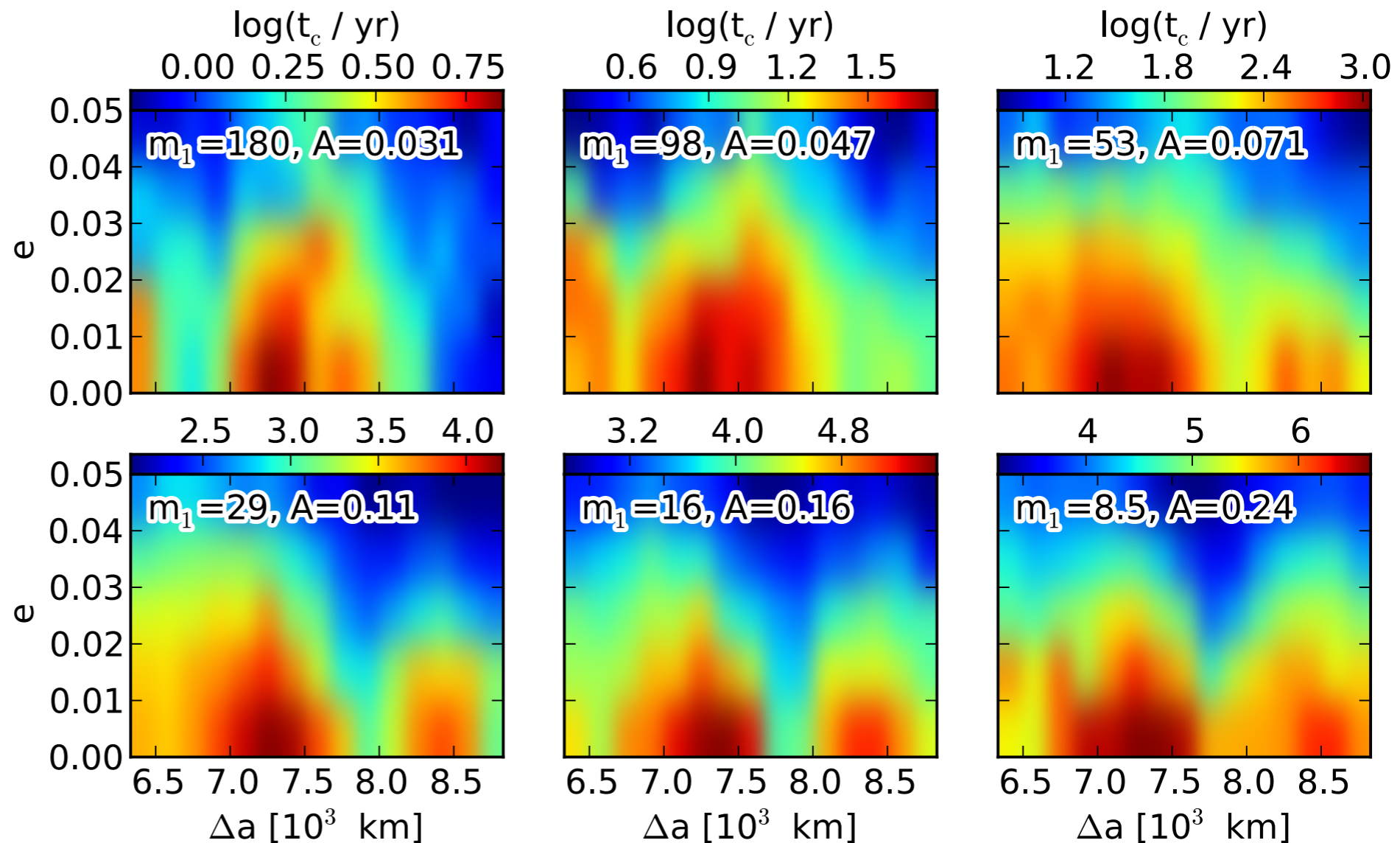
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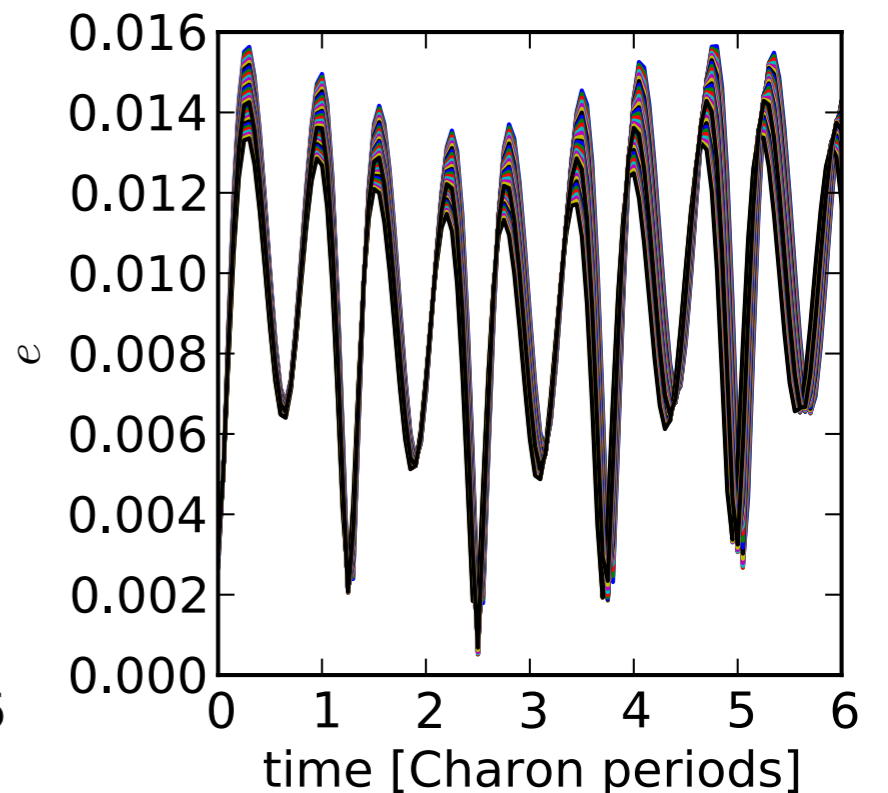
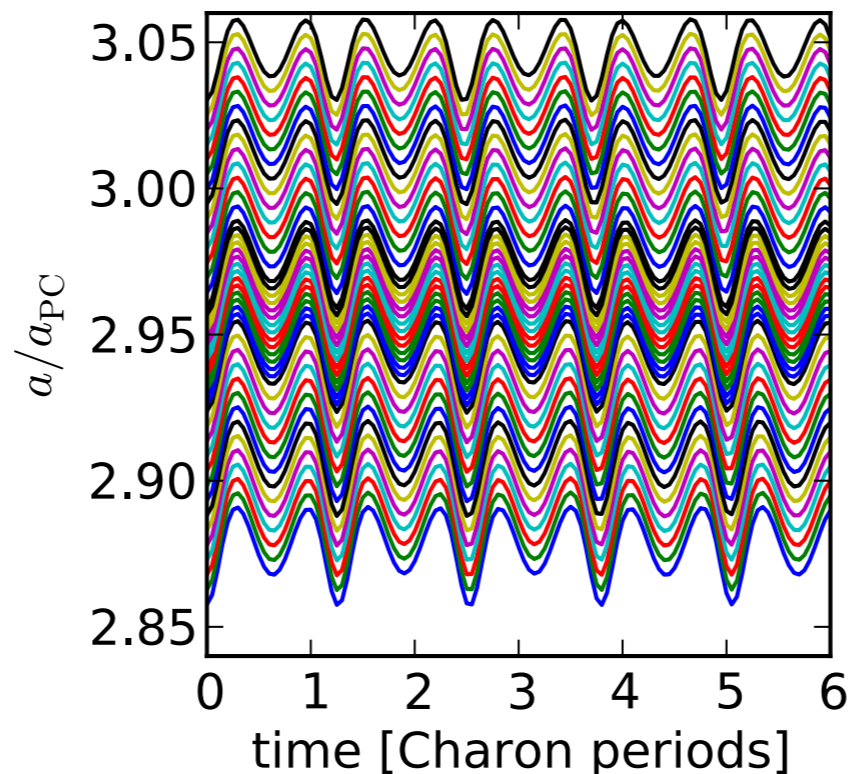
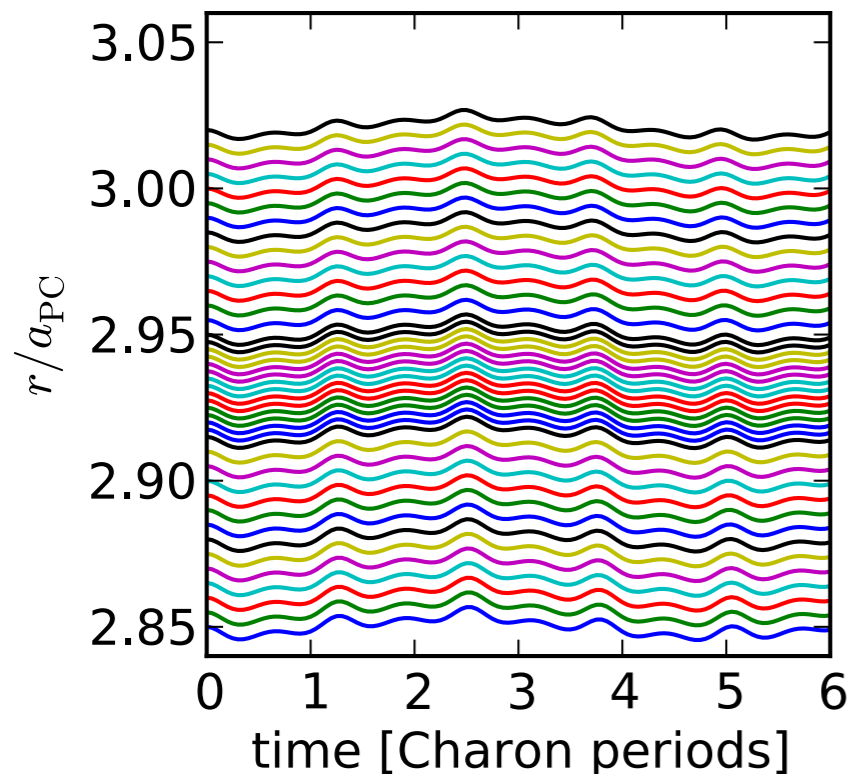
- Locations fixed by observations, so **vary masses** of Nix & Hydra
- **populate with potential orbits** of new satellite (test particle) and run for **1 billion Pluto-Charon orbits**
- Examine **lifetime** as a function of **semi-major axis** and **eccentricity**



Youdin, Kratter, & Kenyon, 2012

# Most Circular Orbit: Beware non-Keplerian orbits

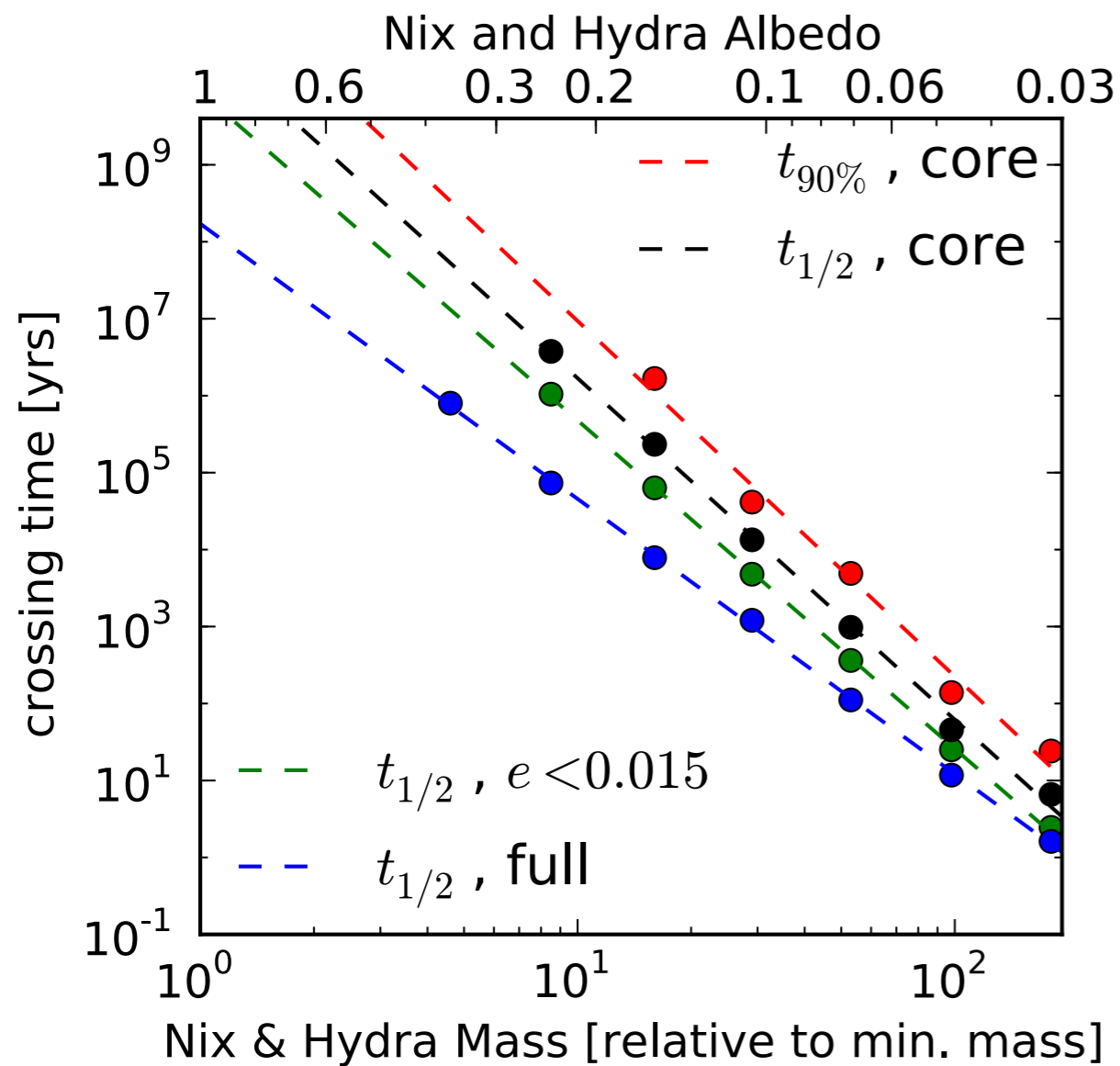
- Orbits about binary are significantly **non-Keplerian** (*Lee & Peale 2006*)
- To get “circular” orbits, cannot simply set  $e=0$
- Are cold orbits more stable?





# Dynamics tell us that Nix & Hydra are bright

“Keplerian”

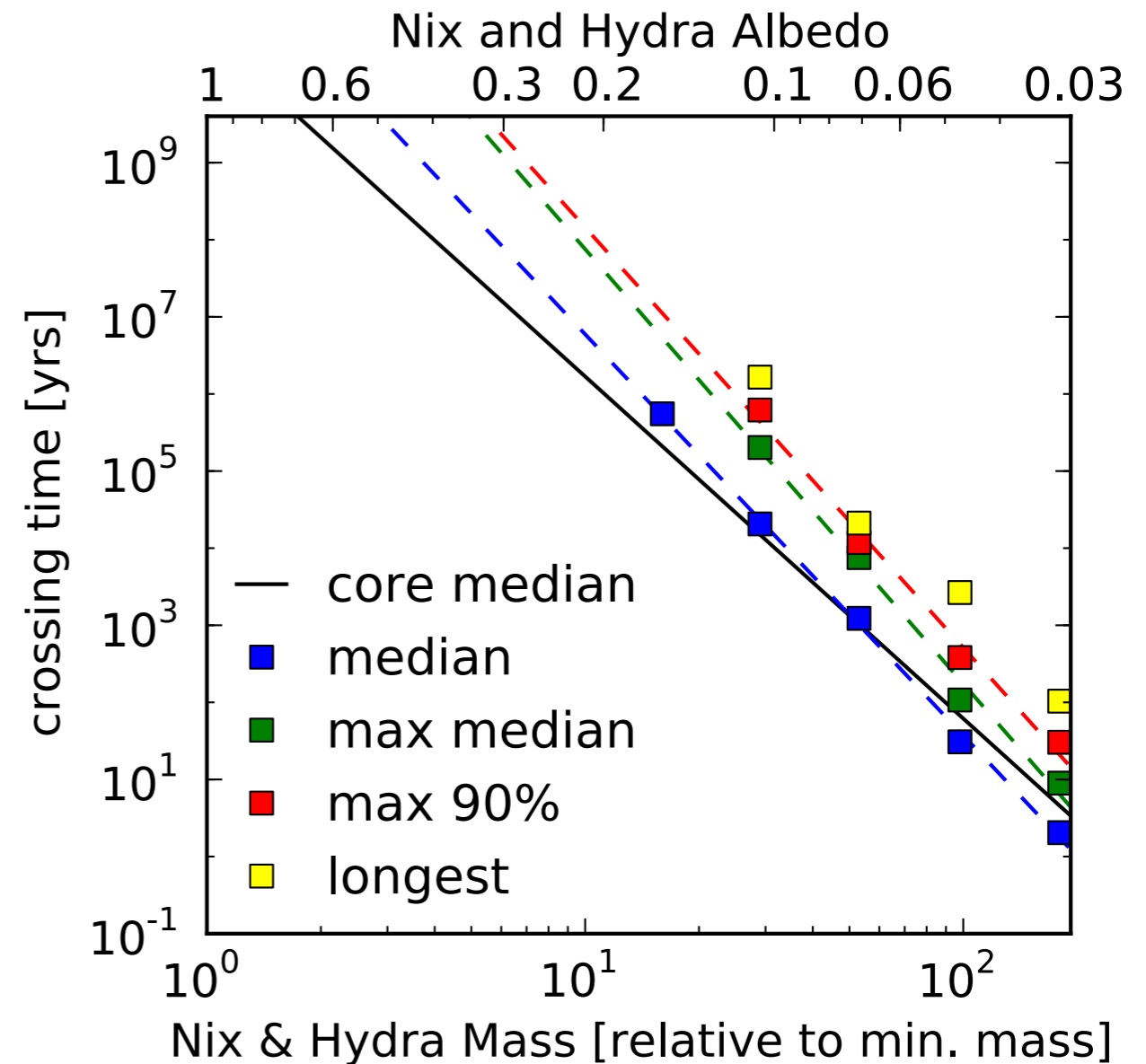


$$\mu_{\text{Nix}} \approx 6.4 \times 10^{-7} \rho_1 A^{-3/2}$$

$$\mu_{\text{Hyd}} \approx 1.1 \times 10^{-6} \rho_1 A^{-3/2}$$

$$\mu_{\text{P4}} \approx 2.0 \times 10^{-8} \rho_1 A^{-3/2}$$

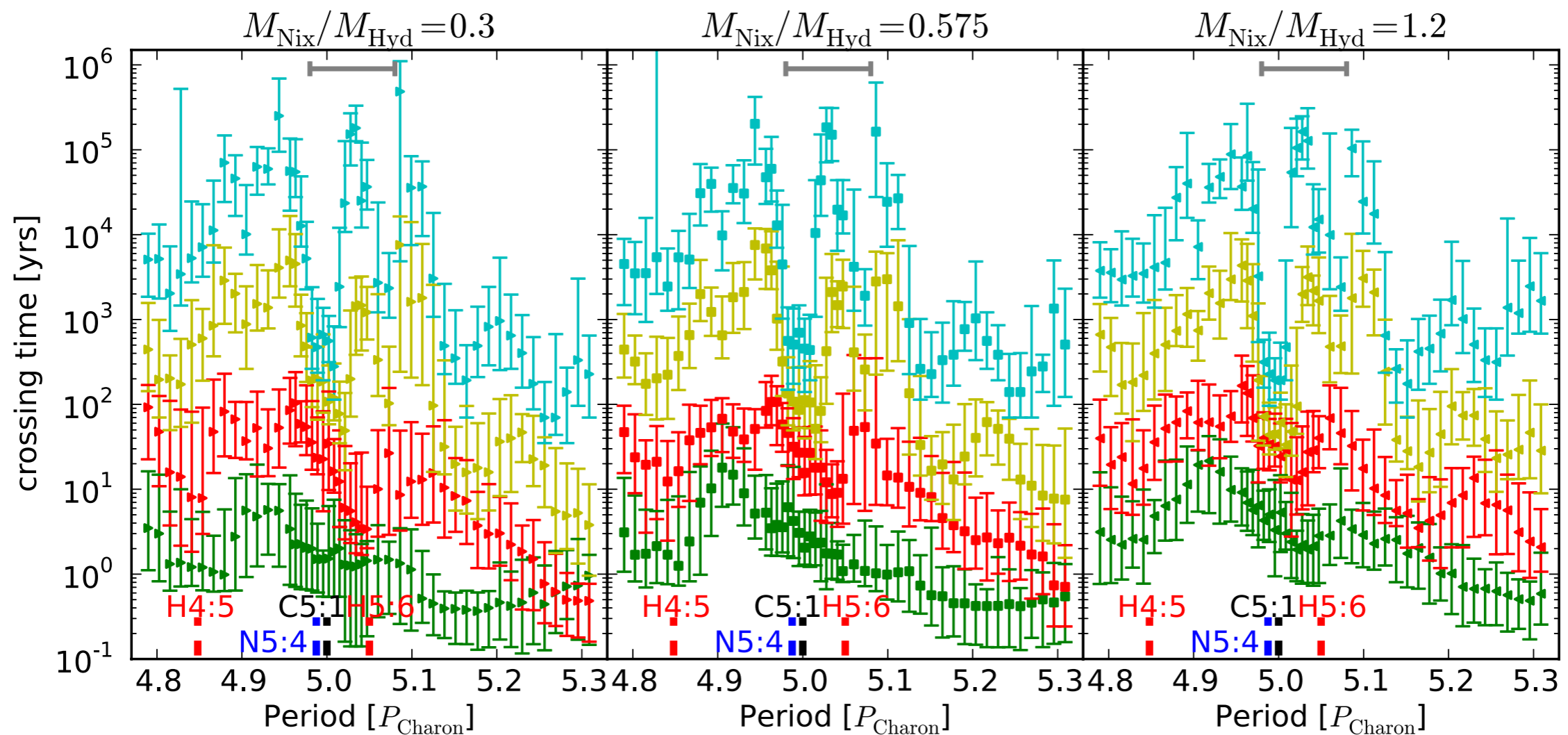
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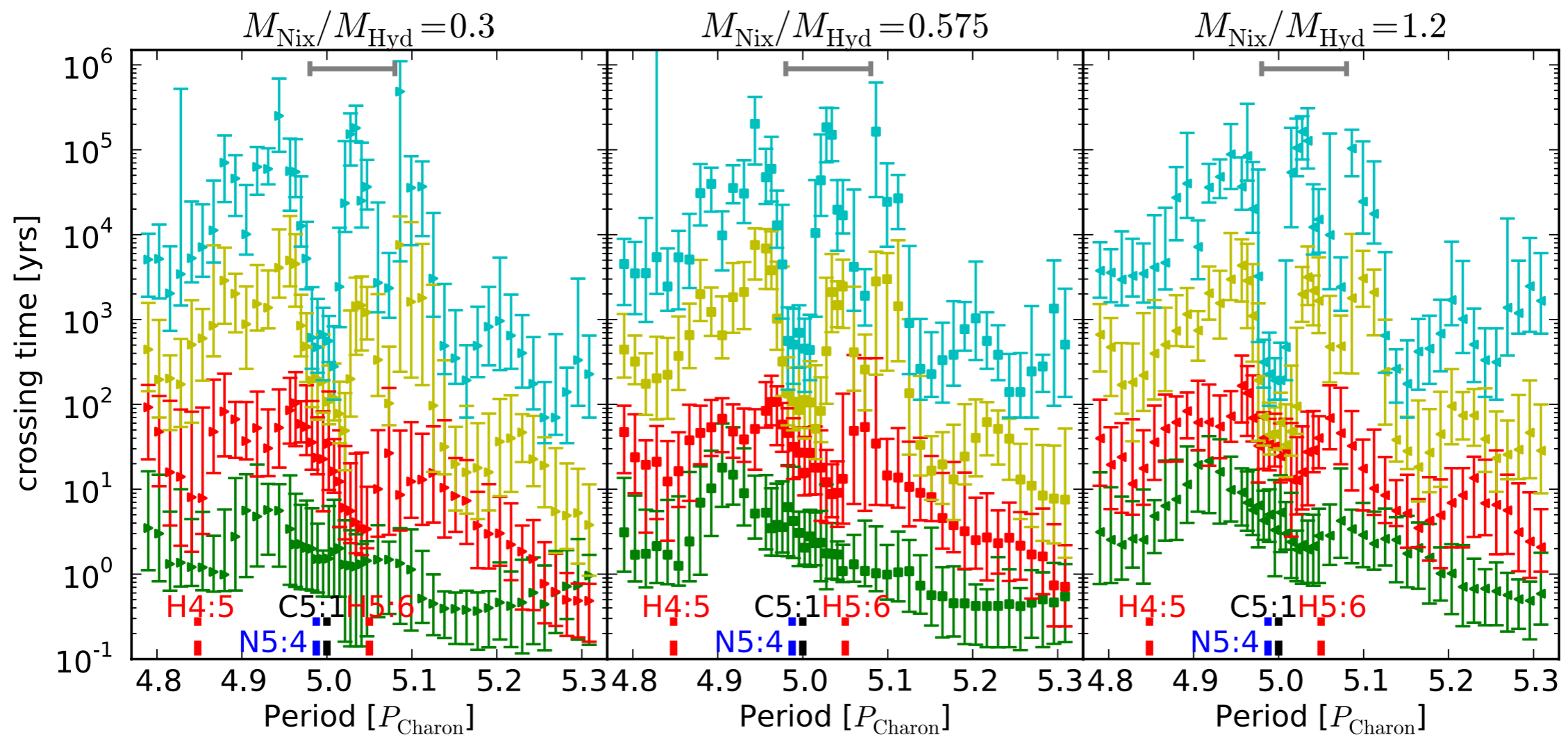


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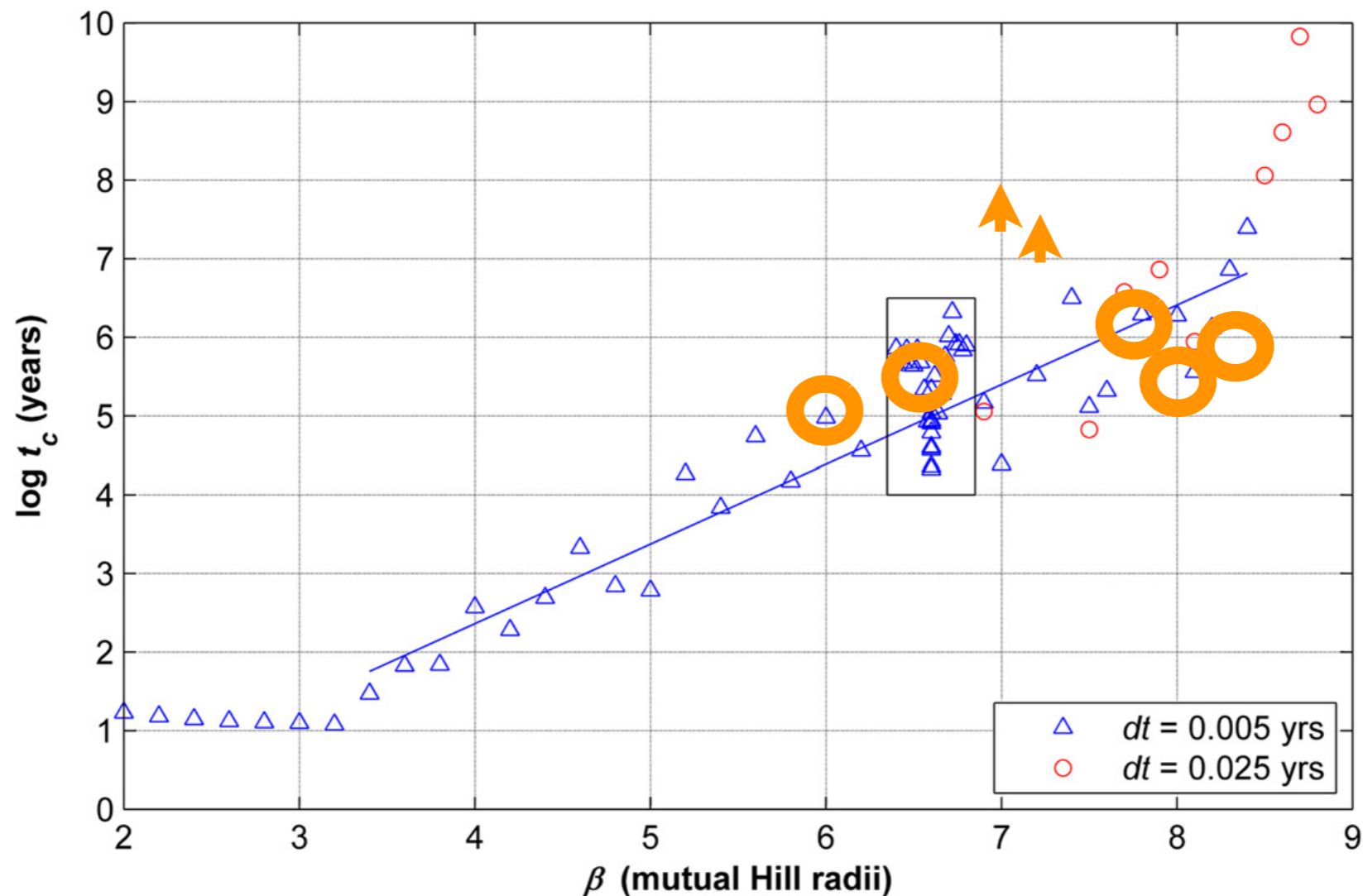


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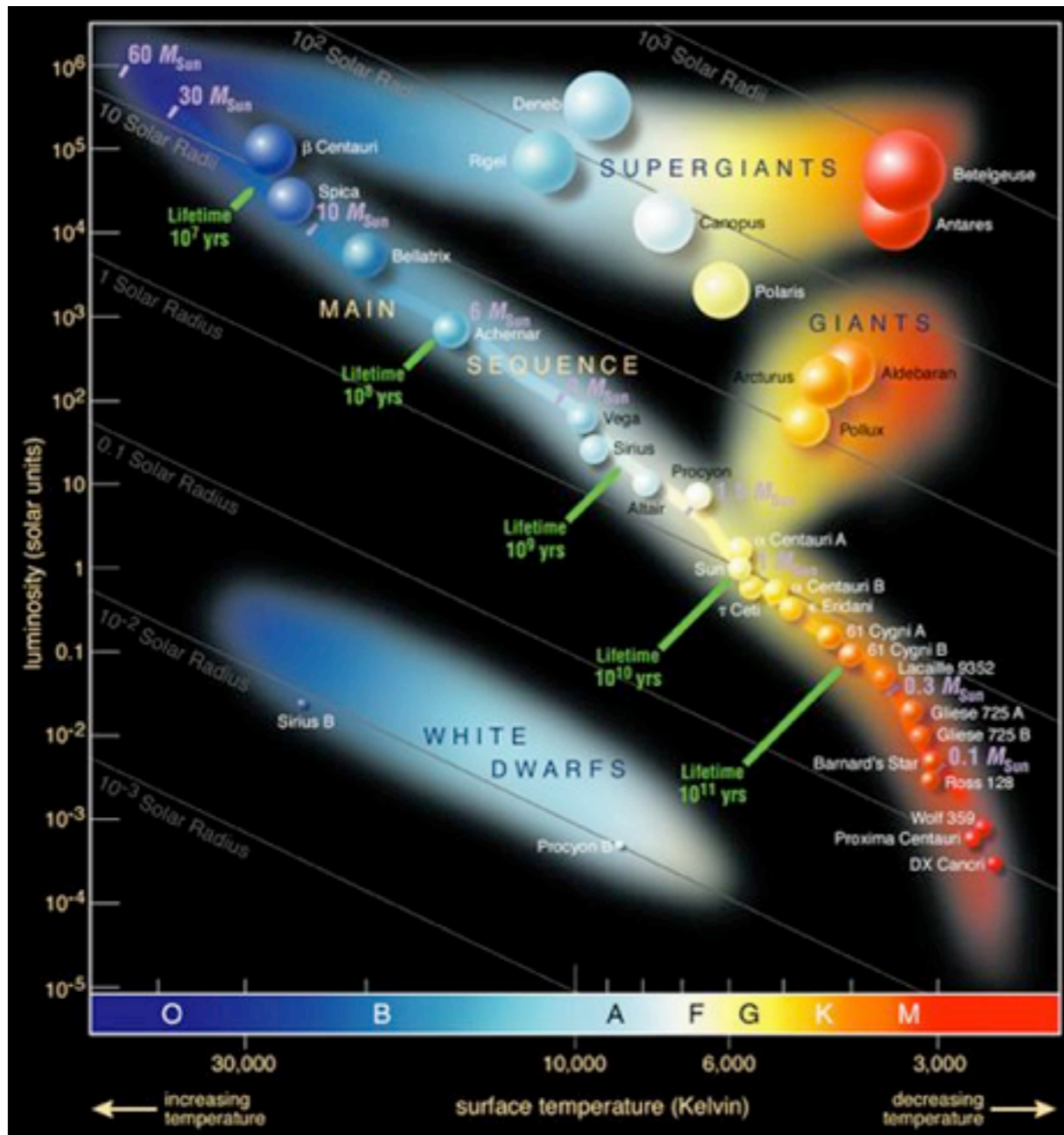
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# Circumbinary vs Single multi-planet stability

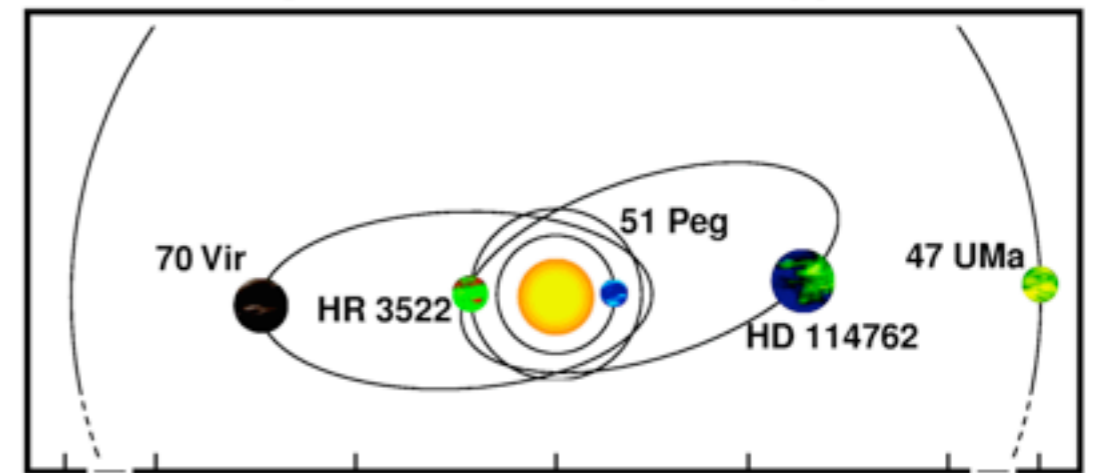
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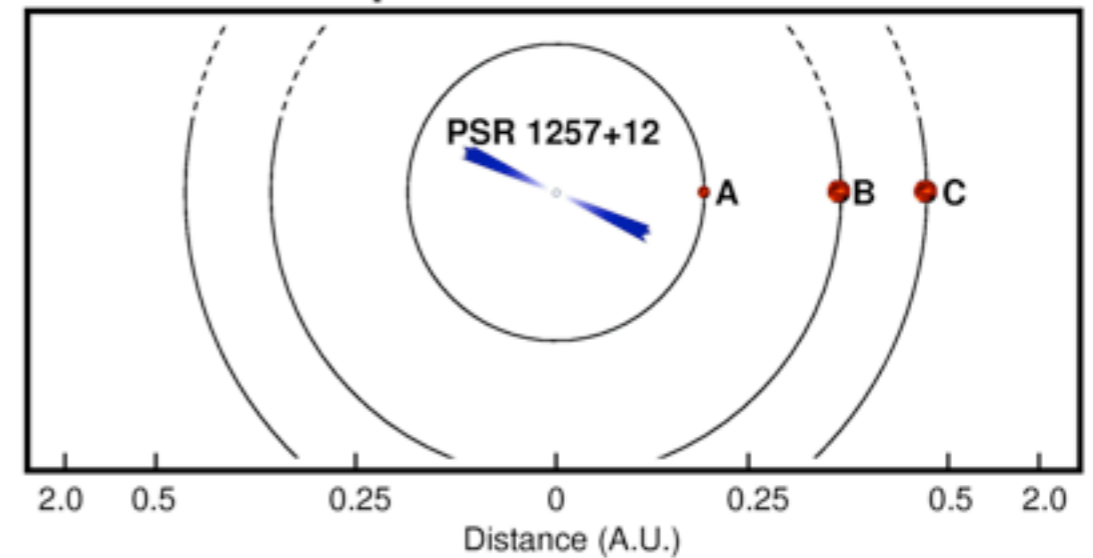
# Part III: When Stars Die



Giant planets around solar-type stars



Earth-mass planets around a neutron star

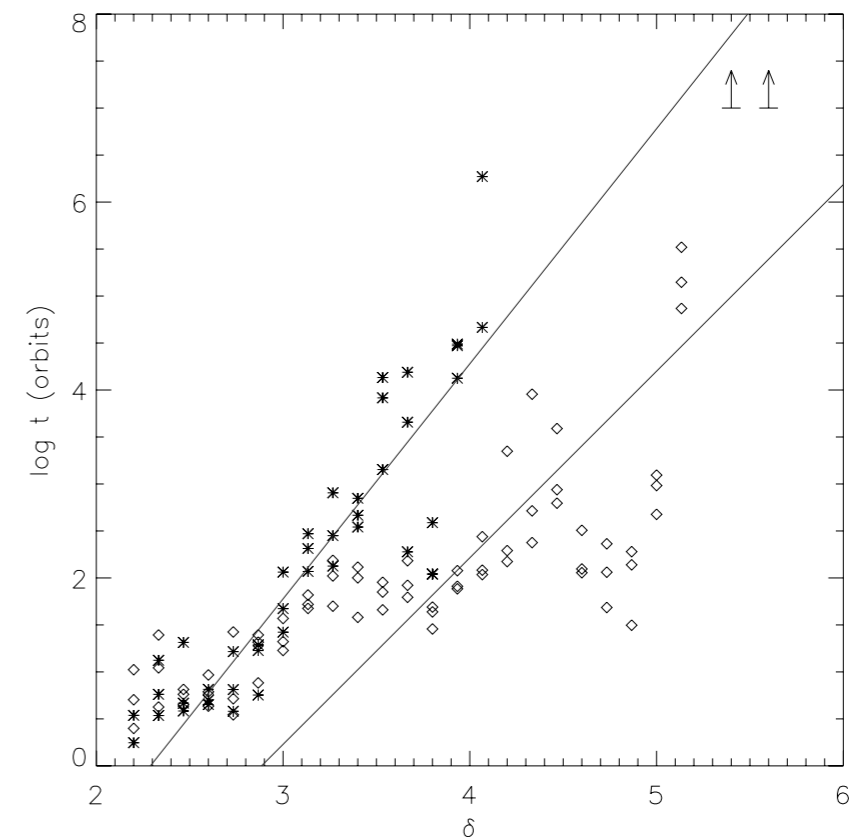
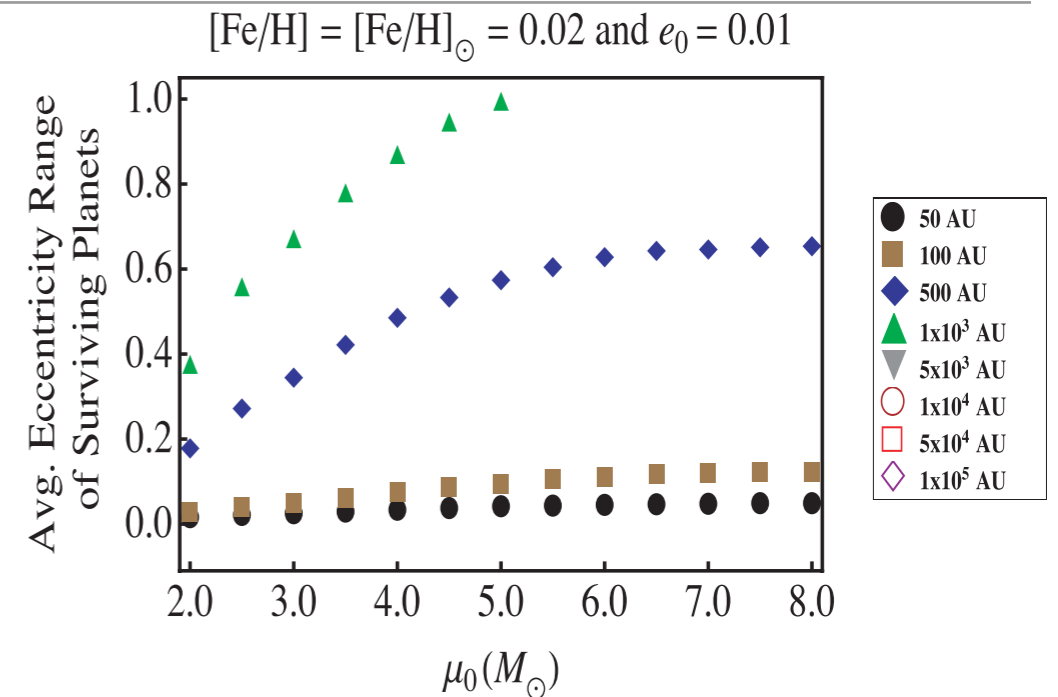


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# Dynamics of Stellar Death

Veras et al 2011

- Slow **adiabatic** mass loss conserves eccentricity, but semi-major axis grows
- Change **relative spacings** in multi-planet systems
- Non-constant mass loss can **excite eccentricity** and lead to planetary loss
- **Engulfment**

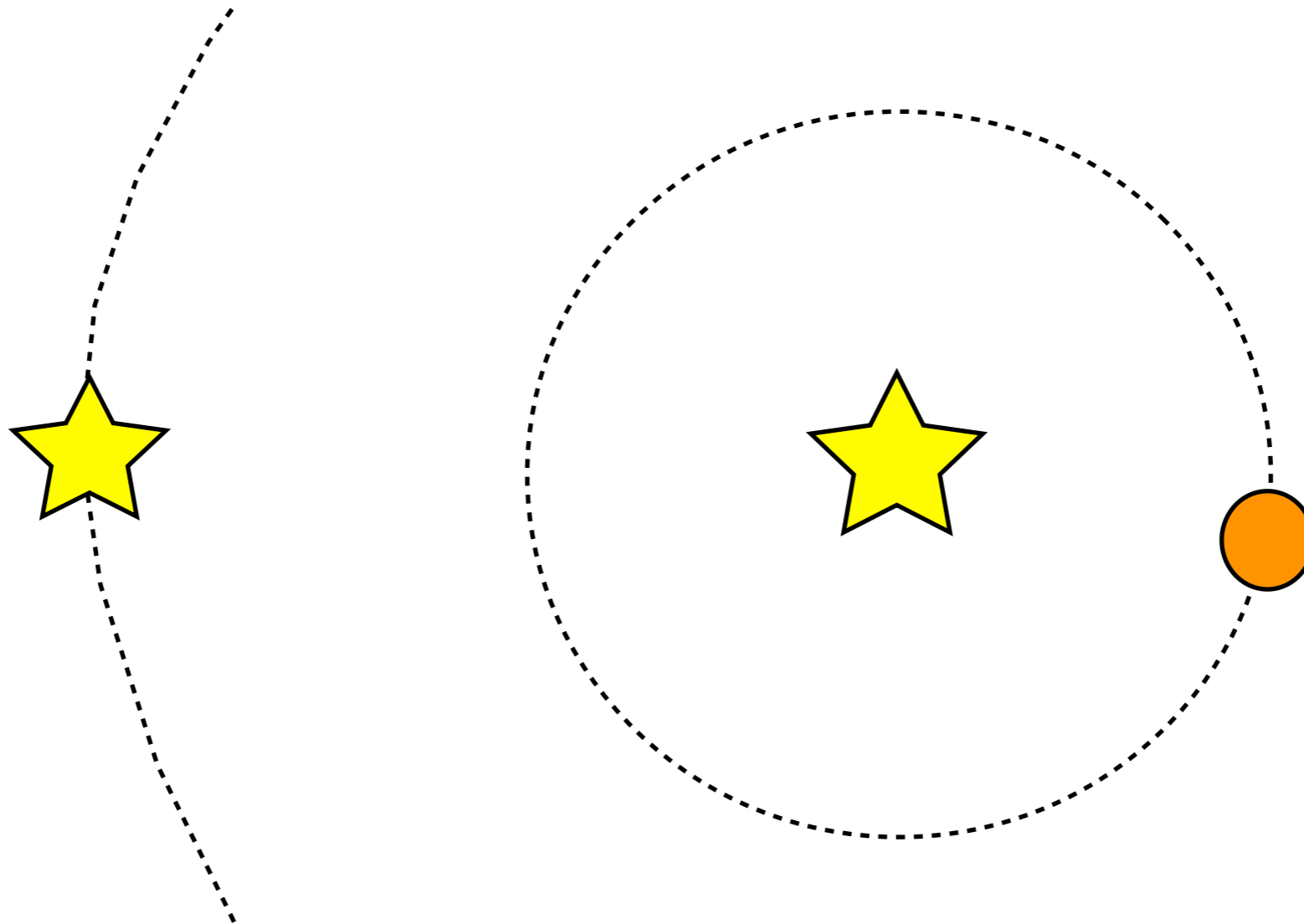


Debes & Sigurdsson 2002

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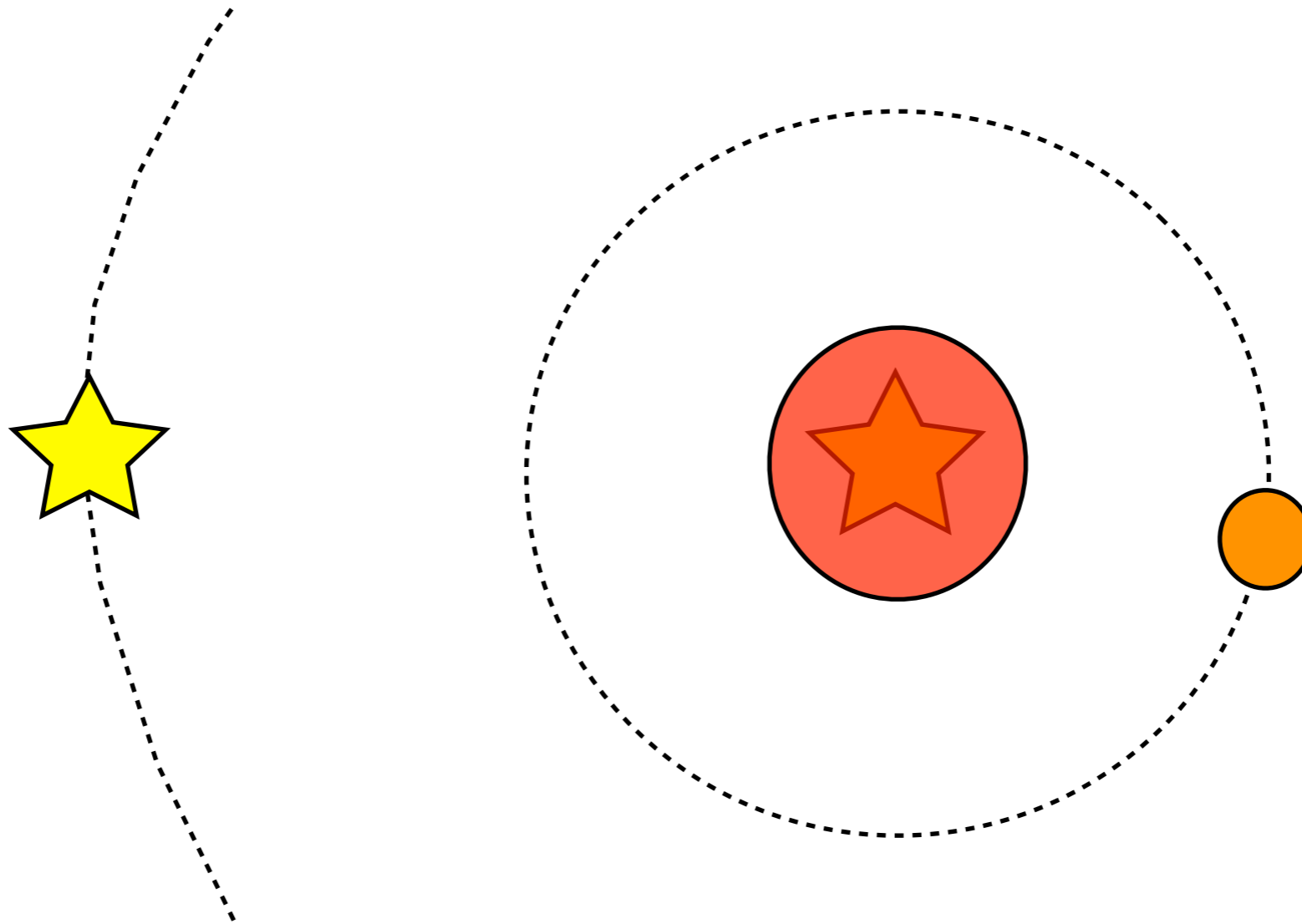
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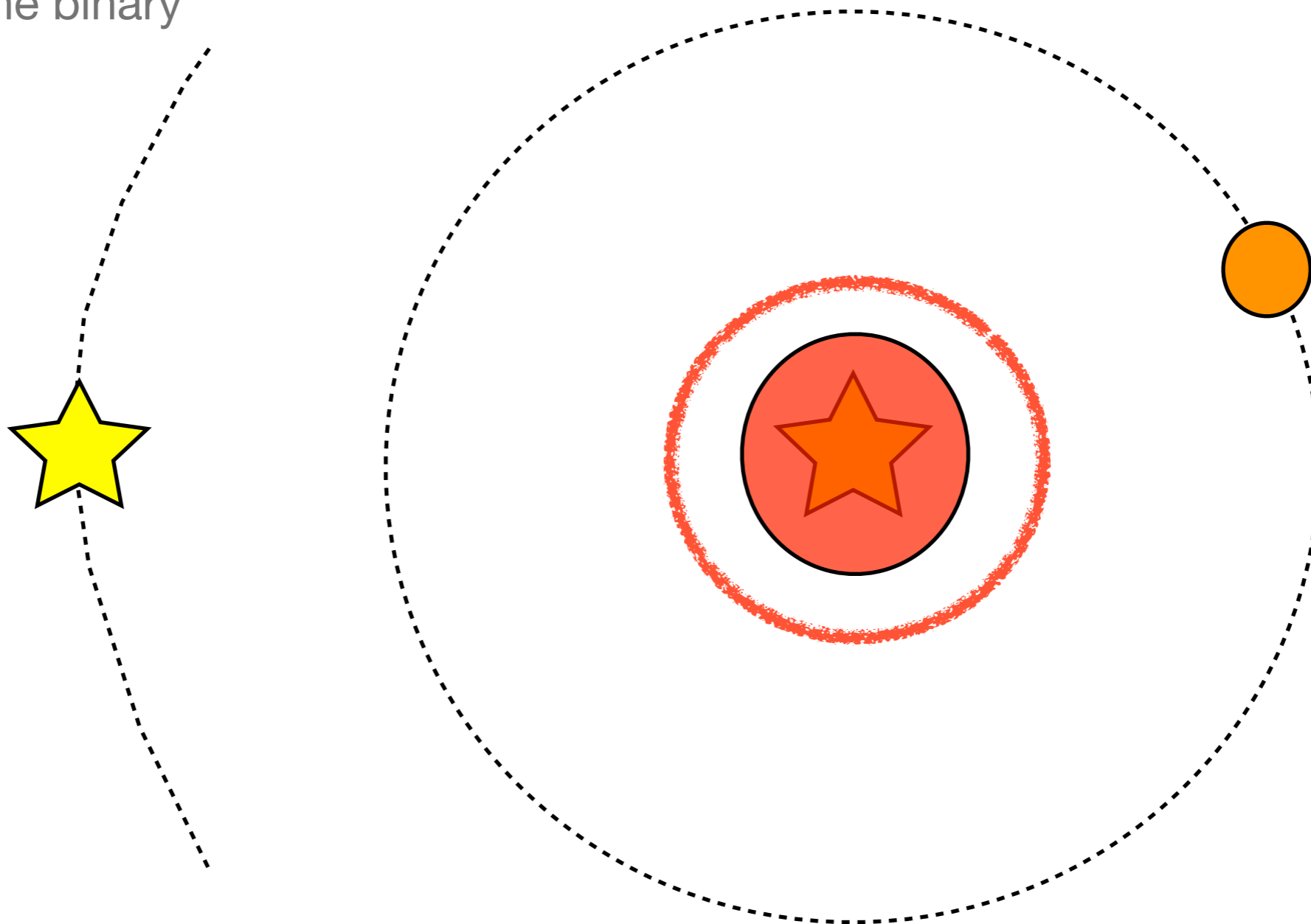




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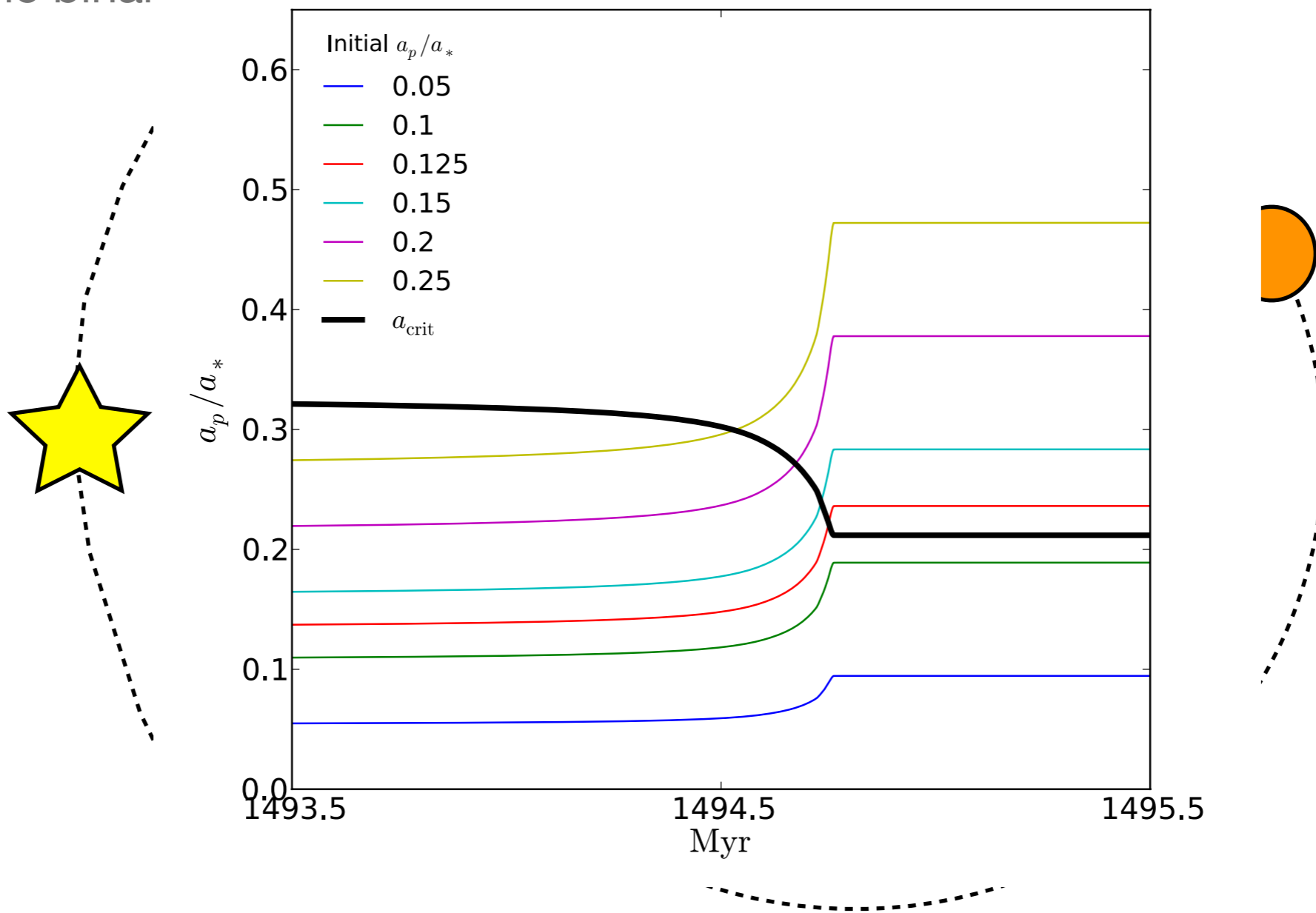
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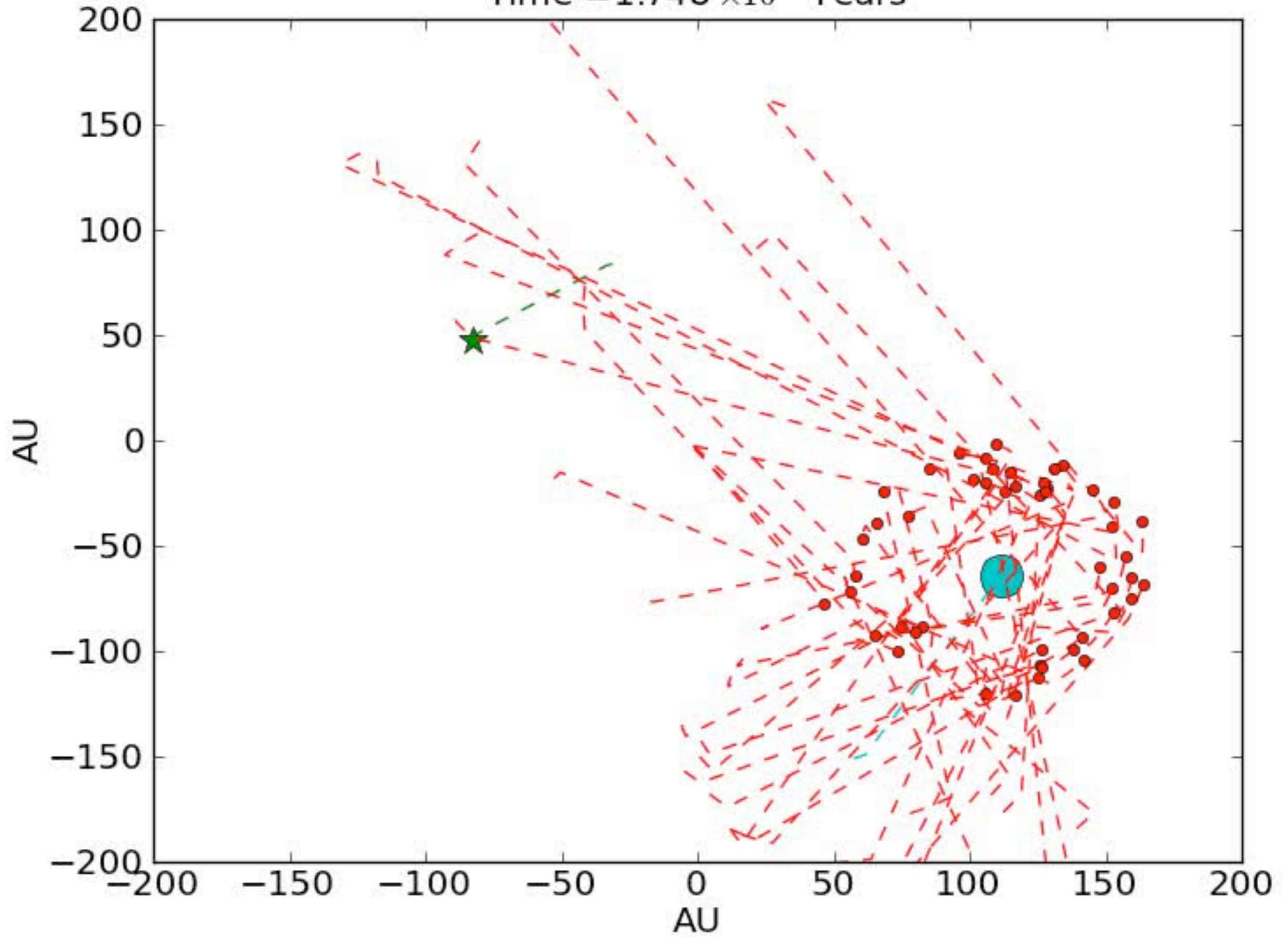


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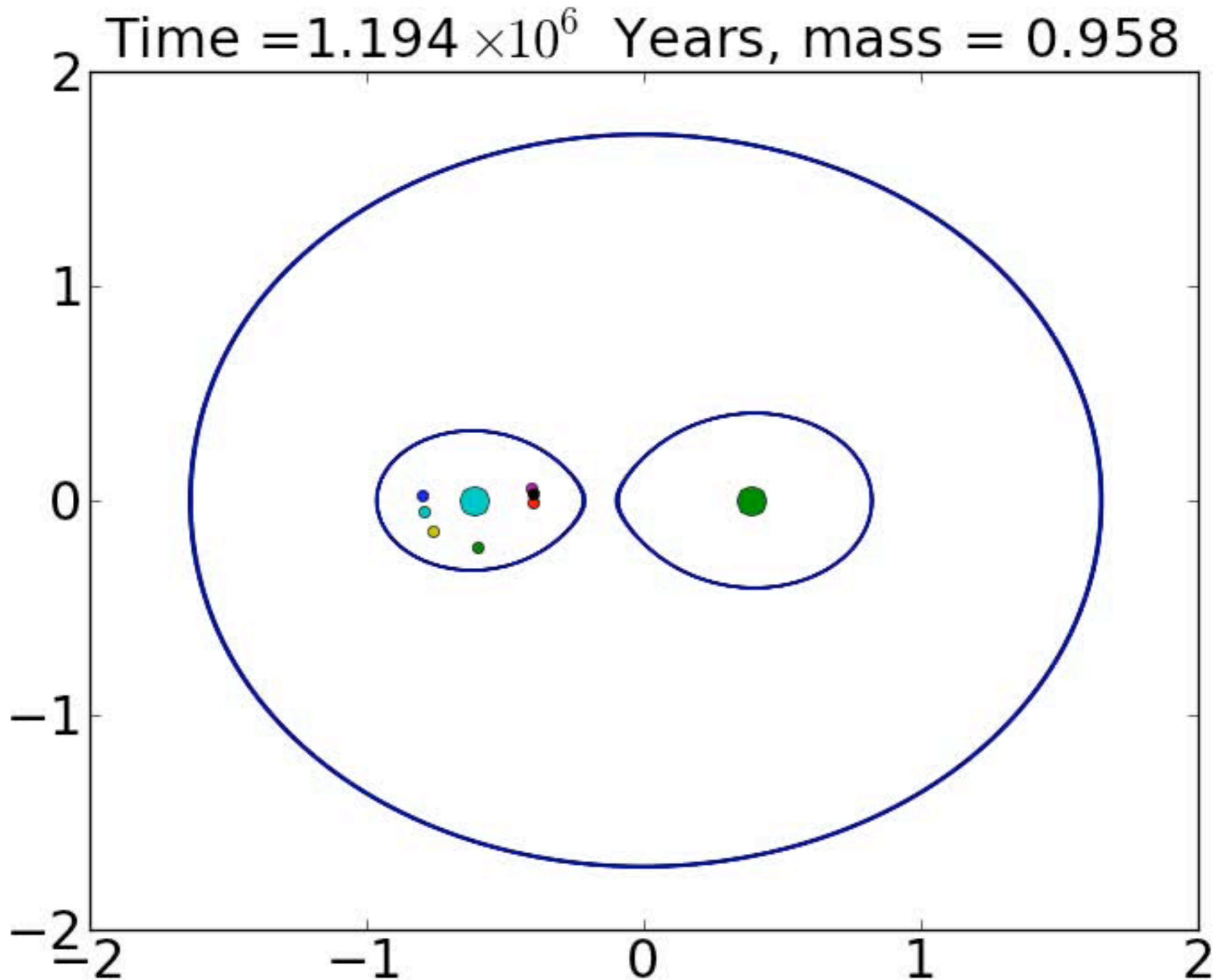
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Time =  $1.748 \times 10^6$  Years

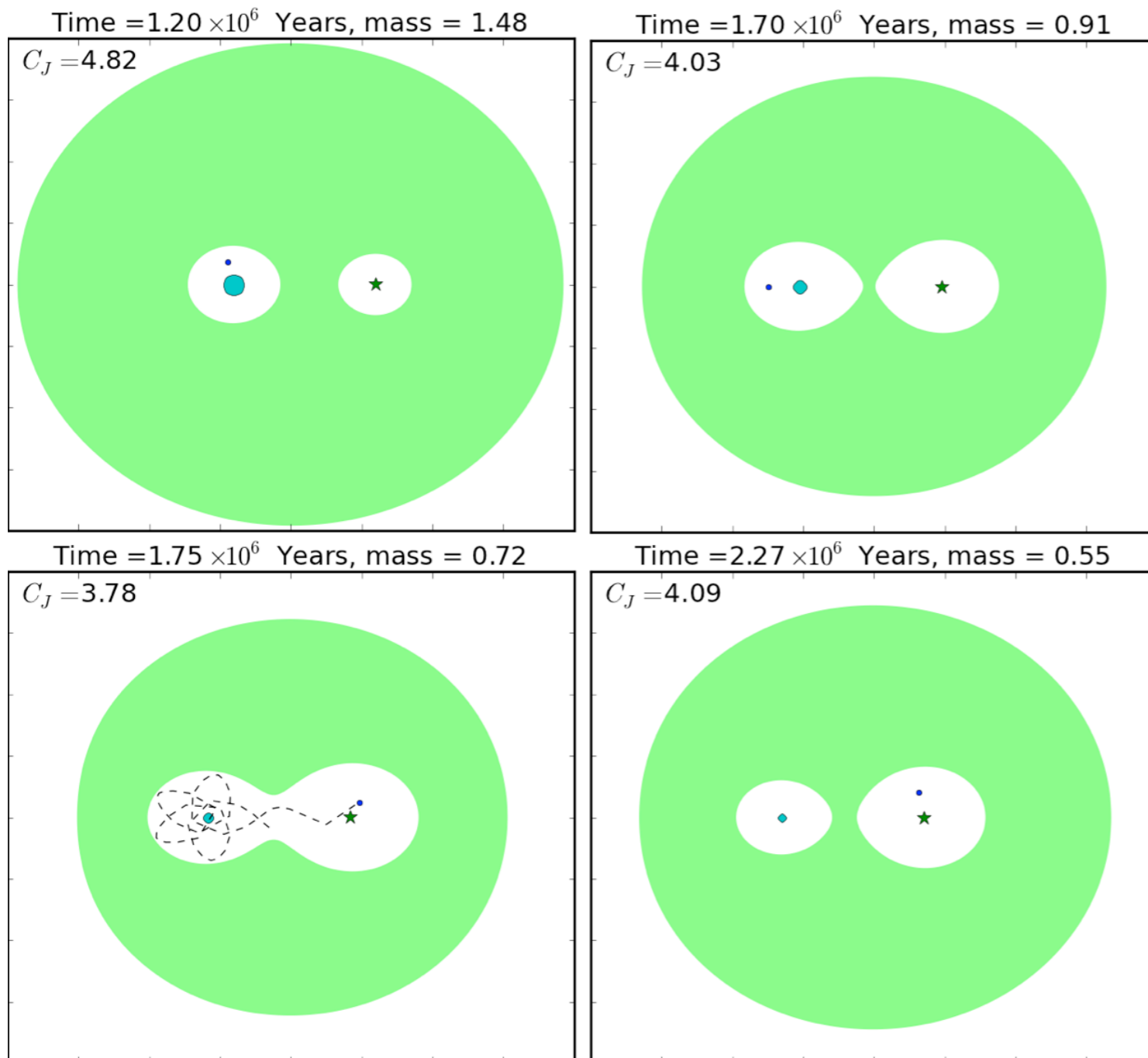


In the rotating reference frame...(CR3BP)



# Capture Mechanism

- Zero velocity curves show the bounds of an object's orbit for fixed Jacobi constant



- Mass loss opens and closes the **bottleneck** (at L1) through which destabilized planets travel
- Long term (>100Myr) **stability not guaranteed**

Kratter & Perets 2012

Heppenheimer & Porco 1977 Vieira  
Neto et al 2006

# Conclusions

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1) Provide an overview of role of dynamics in **formation** and **evolution** of the systems you will observe

- Dynamics controls the **birth**, **evolution**, and **death** of planetary systems

2) Provide basic tools to help **analyze and validate new systems**

- Kepler light curves are fantastic. **Dynamical modeling** makes it even more powerful
- Light Curves + Dynamics sheds light on physics, formation, and fate
- Simple estimate can help (in) **validate detections**

2) **Keep theory in mind** in choosing project and writing papers