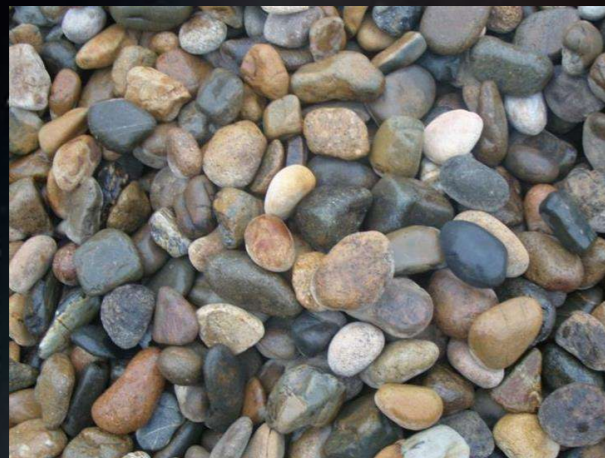


Planet formation lecture II

Planetesimal accretion & pebble accretion

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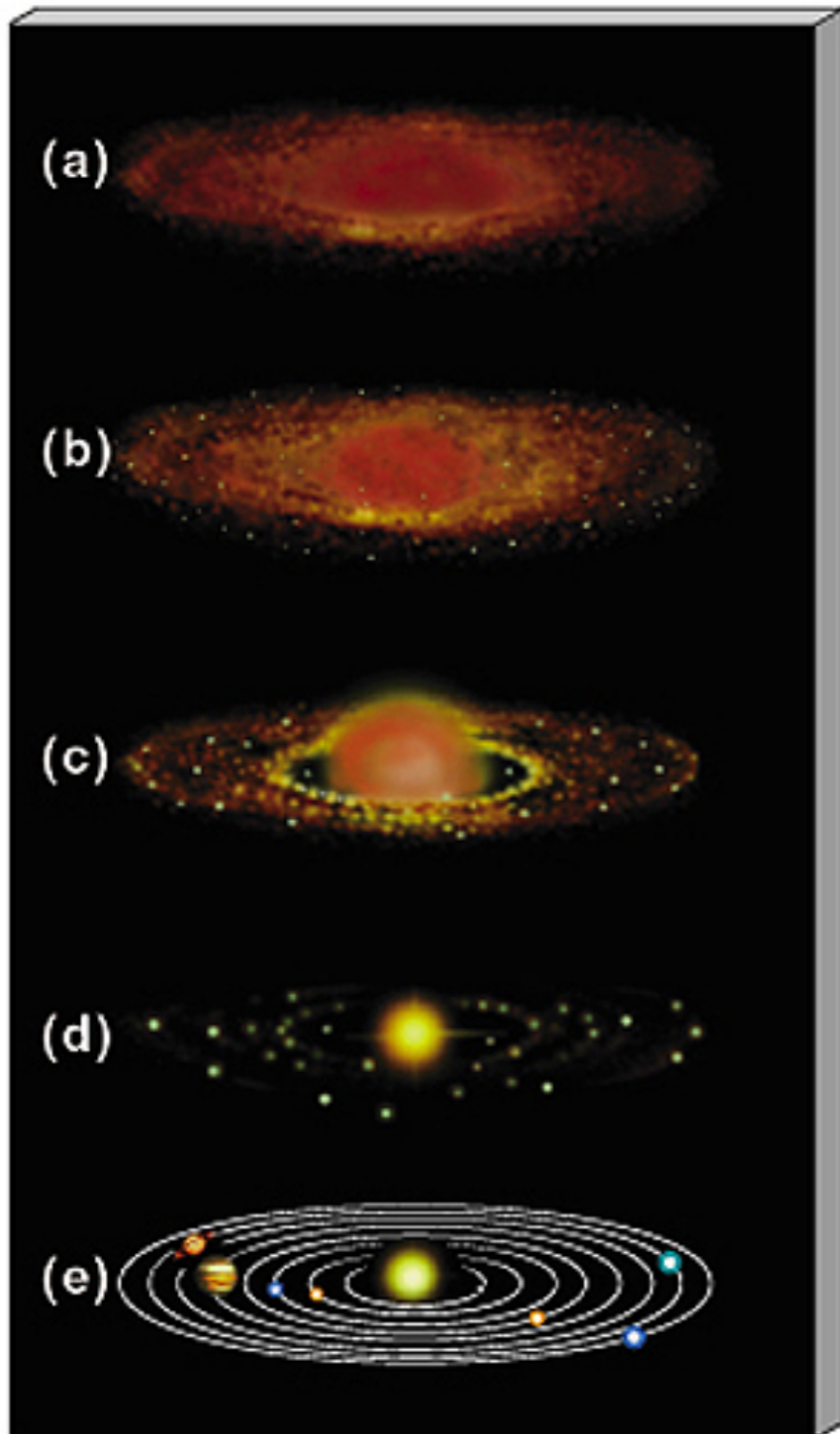
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Outline

1. Introduction
2. Planetesimal accretion & pebble accretion
3. Single birth site + hybrid accretion model

Nebular hypothesis



➔ cloud collapse

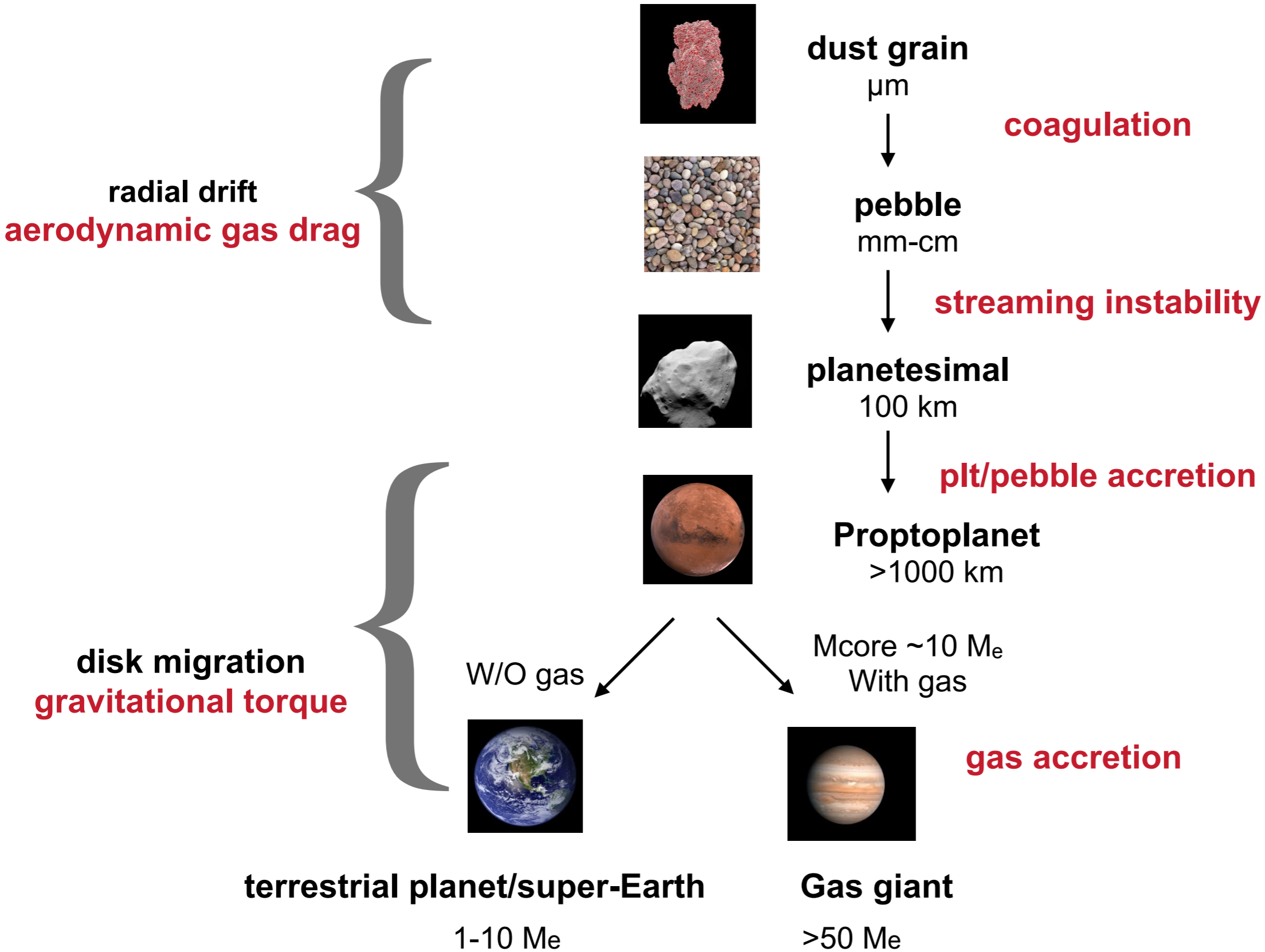
➔ proto-star and protoplanetary disk

➔ dust growth and planet formation

➔ protoplanetary disk dispersal (a few Myr)

➔ final planetary system

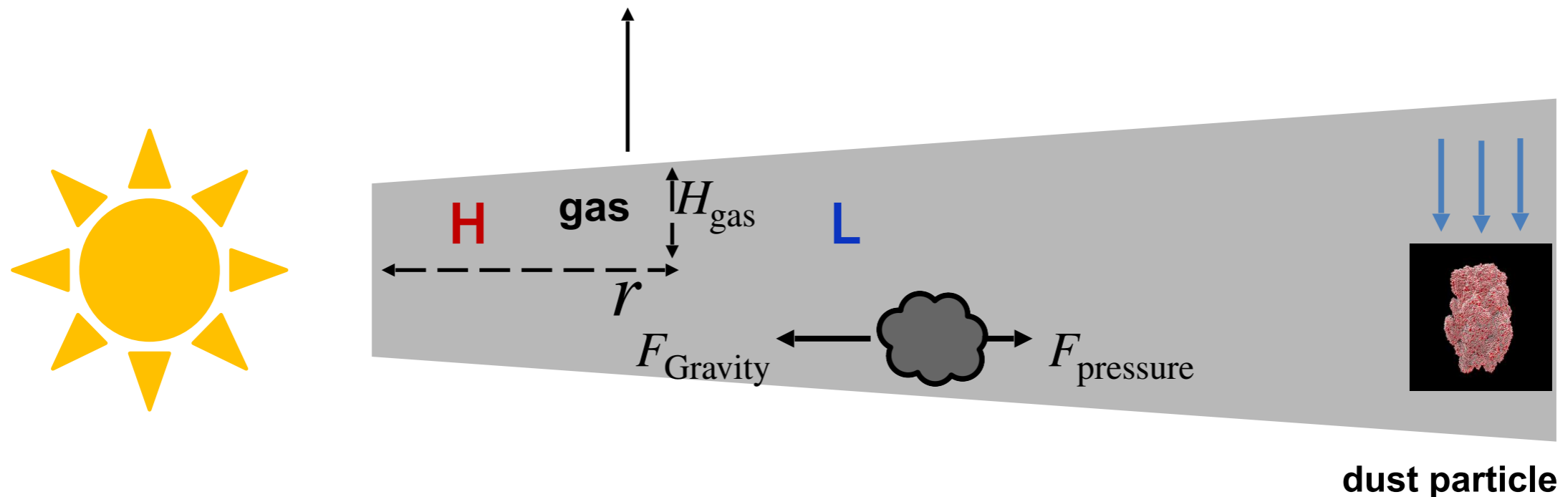
Sketch of planet formation



Radial drift of dust

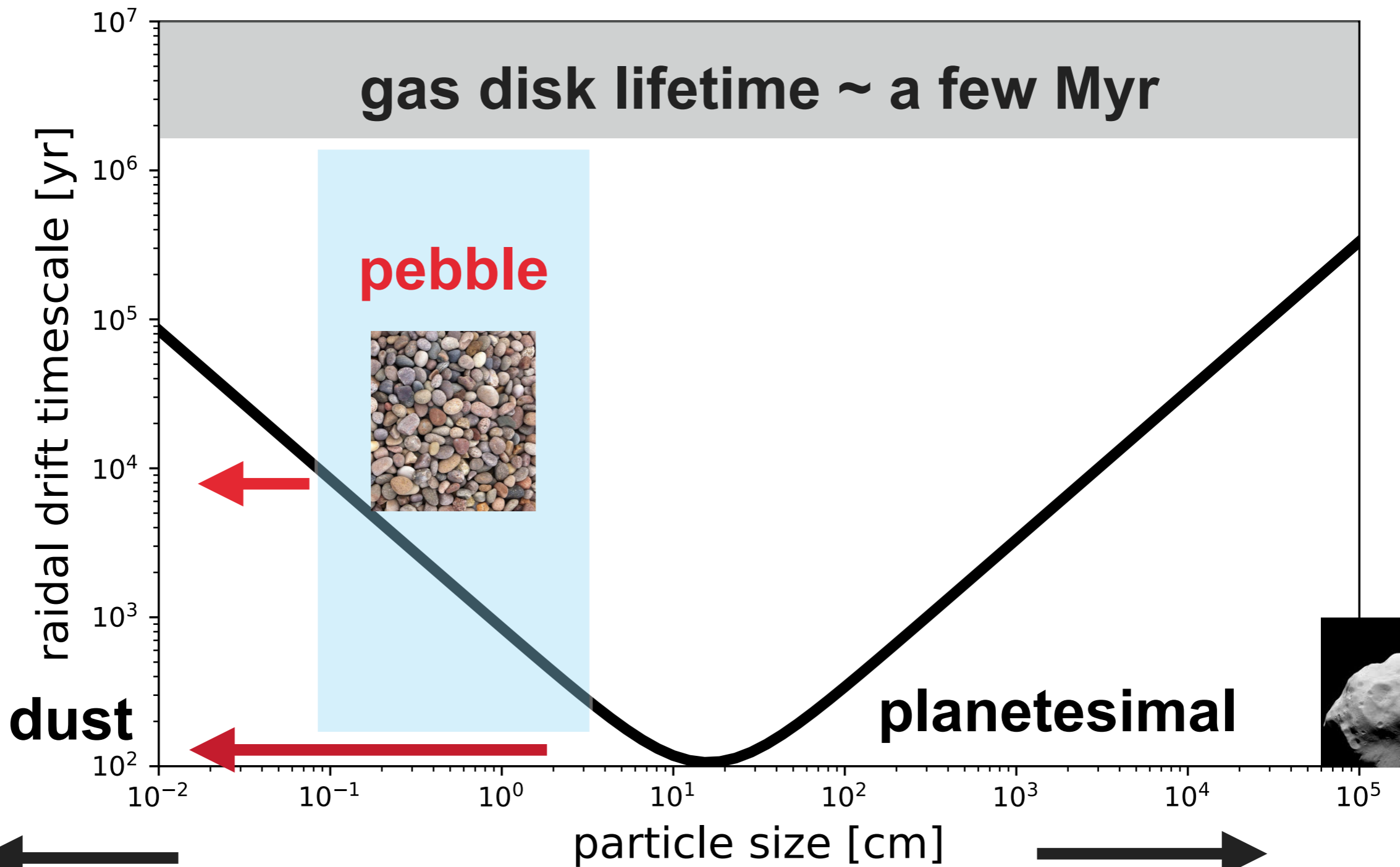
$$V_{\text{gas}} = (1 - \eta)V_K$$

$$\eta = -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{H_{\text{gas}}}{r} \right)^2 \frac{\partial \ln P}{\partial \ln r} \sim 10^{-3}$$



Dust particles drift into the **high pressure region of the disk.**

Pebbles drift too fast



$$v_r = -\frac{2\tau_s}{1 + \tau_s^2} \eta v_K$$

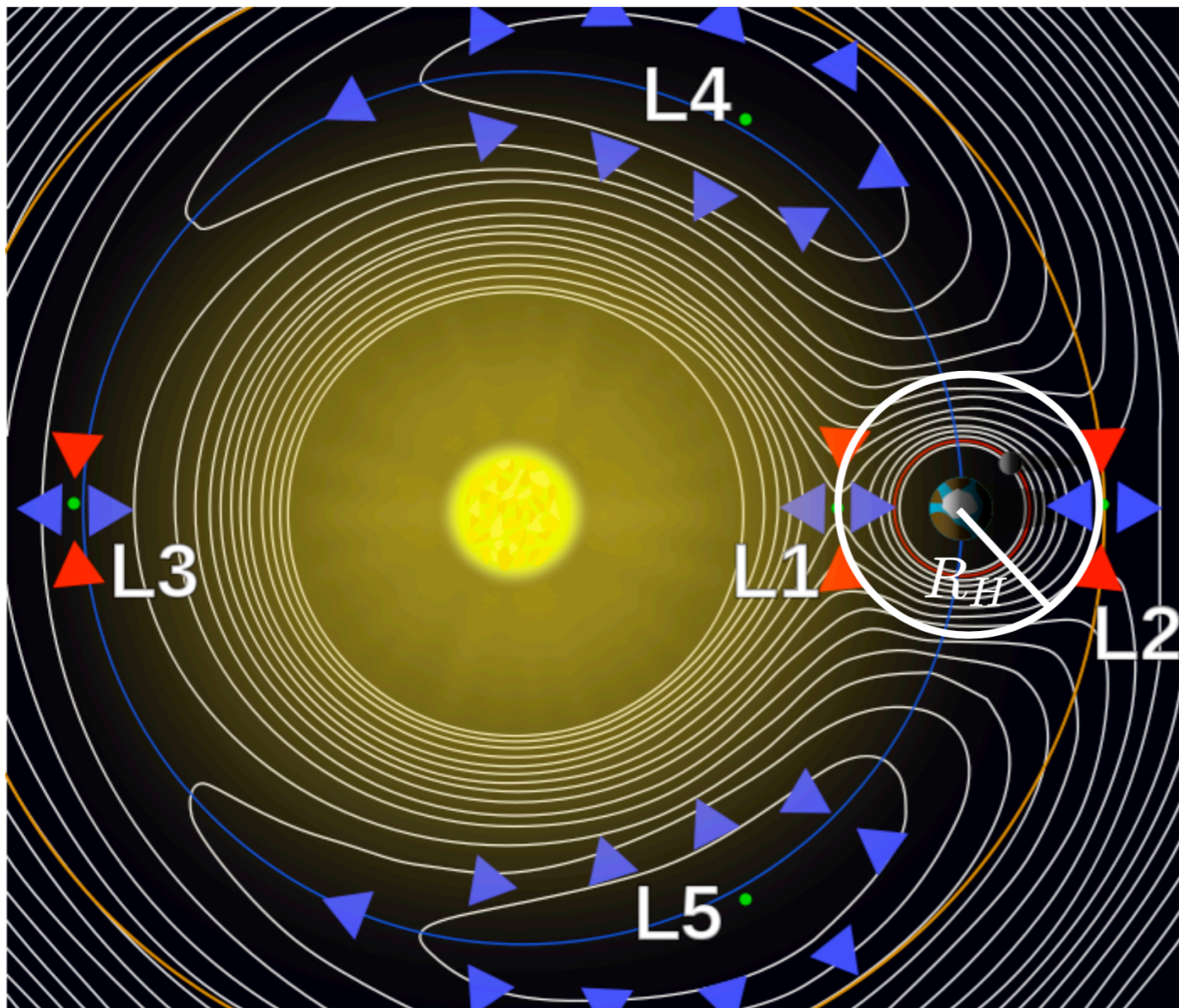
$$\tau_s \approx \frac{R_p \rho_p}{c_s \rho_g} \Omega_K \sim R_p \rho_p / \Sigma_g$$

Planetesimals accretion

- Hill radius
- Gravitational focusing factor
- Runaway and oligarchic growth
- Isolation mass

Hill radius

Hill sphere (Roche radius): the region where the gravity of the planet is dominant over the gravity of the star.



$$\left(\frac{Gm}{R_H^3} \right)^{1/2} \sim \left(\frac{GM}{a^3} \right)^{1/2} \sim \Omega$$

$$R_H = \left(\frac{m}{3M} \right)^{1/3} a$$

Earth $a = 1$ AU, $R_H = 0.01$ AU

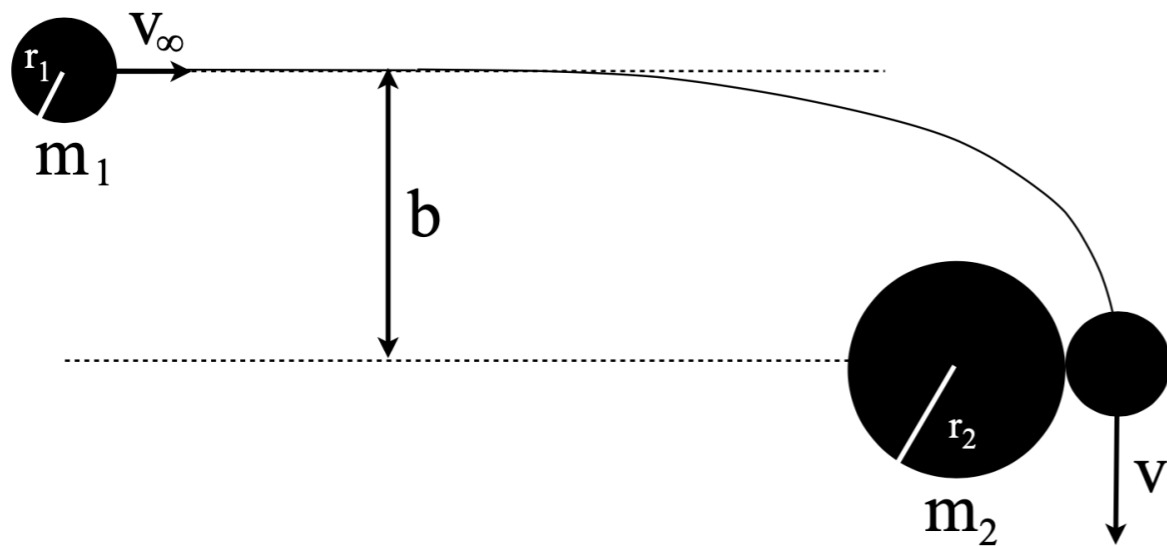
Jupiter $a = 5.2$ AU, $R_H = 0.36$ AU

Two body interaction: gravitational focusing

Geometrical cross section of two bodies

$$\sigma_{\text{geo}} = \pi(r_1 + r_2)^2$$

Gravitational focussing: the attracting nature of the gravity leads to an increased collisional cross section.



Energy conservation:

$$E = \frac{1}{2}m_1v_\infty^2 = \frac{1}{2}m_1v^2 - \frac{Gm_1m_2}{r_1 + r_2}$$

angular momentum conservation:

$$J = m_1bv_\infty = m_1(r_1 + r_2)v$$

Two body interaction: gravitational focusing

$$b^2 = (r_1 + r_2)^2 \left(1 + \frac{v_{\text{esc}}^2}{v_{\infty}^2} \right) \quad v_{\text{esc}} = \left(\frac{2Gm_2}{r_1 + r_2} \right)^{1/2}$$

It provides the collisional cross section:

$$\sigma_{\text{col}} = \pi(r_1 + r_2)^2 \left(1 + \frac{v_{\text{esc}}^2}{v_{\infty}^2} \right)$$

↑
geometrical cross section

↑
gravitational focusing factor Γ_g

$$\theta = \frac{v_{\text{esc}}^2}{2v_{\infty}^2}$$

Safronov number (1969)

$$\theta \ll 1, \sigma \propto r_2^2$$

Geometrical regime

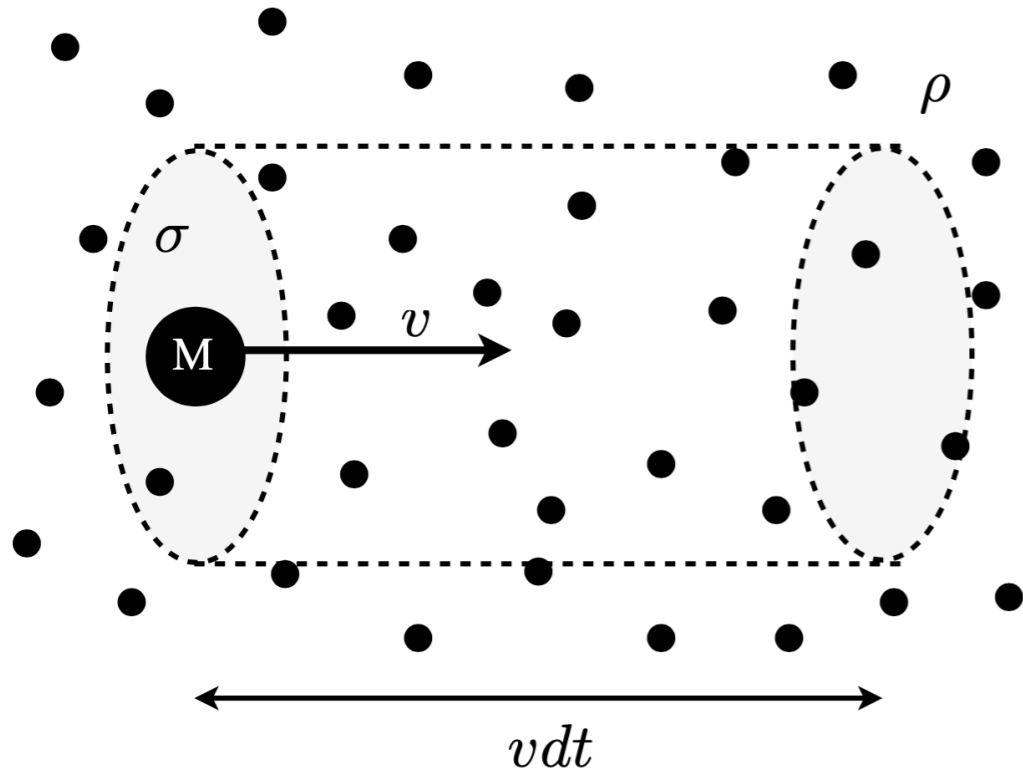
$$\theta \gg 1, \sigma \propto r_2^4$$

Gravitational focusing regime

$$r_1 \ll r_2$$

Growth rates

One big body accreting from a sea of small planetesimals.



Collision rate: $n\sigma\Delta v$

Growth rate of the big body M

$$\frac{dM}{dt} = (n\sigma\Delta v)m_s = \rho_s\sigma v_\infty = \rho_s v_\infty \pi r^2 \left(1 + \frac{v_{\text{esc}}}{v_\infty}\right)^2$$

$$\rho_s = \frac{\Sigma_s}{2H_s} \quad \frac{H_s}{a} \sim \frac{v_\infty}{v_K}$$

$$\frac{dM}{dt} \sim \Sigma_s \Omega \pi r^2 \left(1 + \frac{v_{\text{esc}}^2}{v_\infty^2}\right)$$

Growth rates

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$$\frac{dM}{dt} \sim \Sigma_s \Omega \pi r^2 \left(1 + \frac{v_{\text{esc}}^2}{v_{\infty}^2} \right)$$

- The velocity dispersion is the key factor. The gravitational focusing factor can be more complex in three-body case.
- The growth rate is higher in disks with larger planetesimal surface density.
- Since both surface density and angular frequency generally decreases with distance, the planet grows slower at large orbital distances.

Growth rates

$$\frac{dM}{dt} \sim \Sigma_s \Omega \pi r^2 \left(1 + \frac{v_{\text{esc}}^2}{v_{\infty}^2}\right) \sim \frac{GM \Sigma_s \Omega r}{v_{\infty}^2} \propto M^{4/3} \quad \text{when } v_{\infty} \ll v_{\text{esc}}$$

$$\sim \Sigma_s \Omega r^2 \propto M^{2/3} \quad \text{when } v_{\infty} \gtrsim v_{\text{esc}}$$

Runaway growth:
the bigger body, the faster it grows

$$\frac{1}{M} \frac{dM}{dt} \propto M^{1/3}$$

If $M_1 > M_2$, then runaway means
 $d(M_1/M_2)/dt > 0$

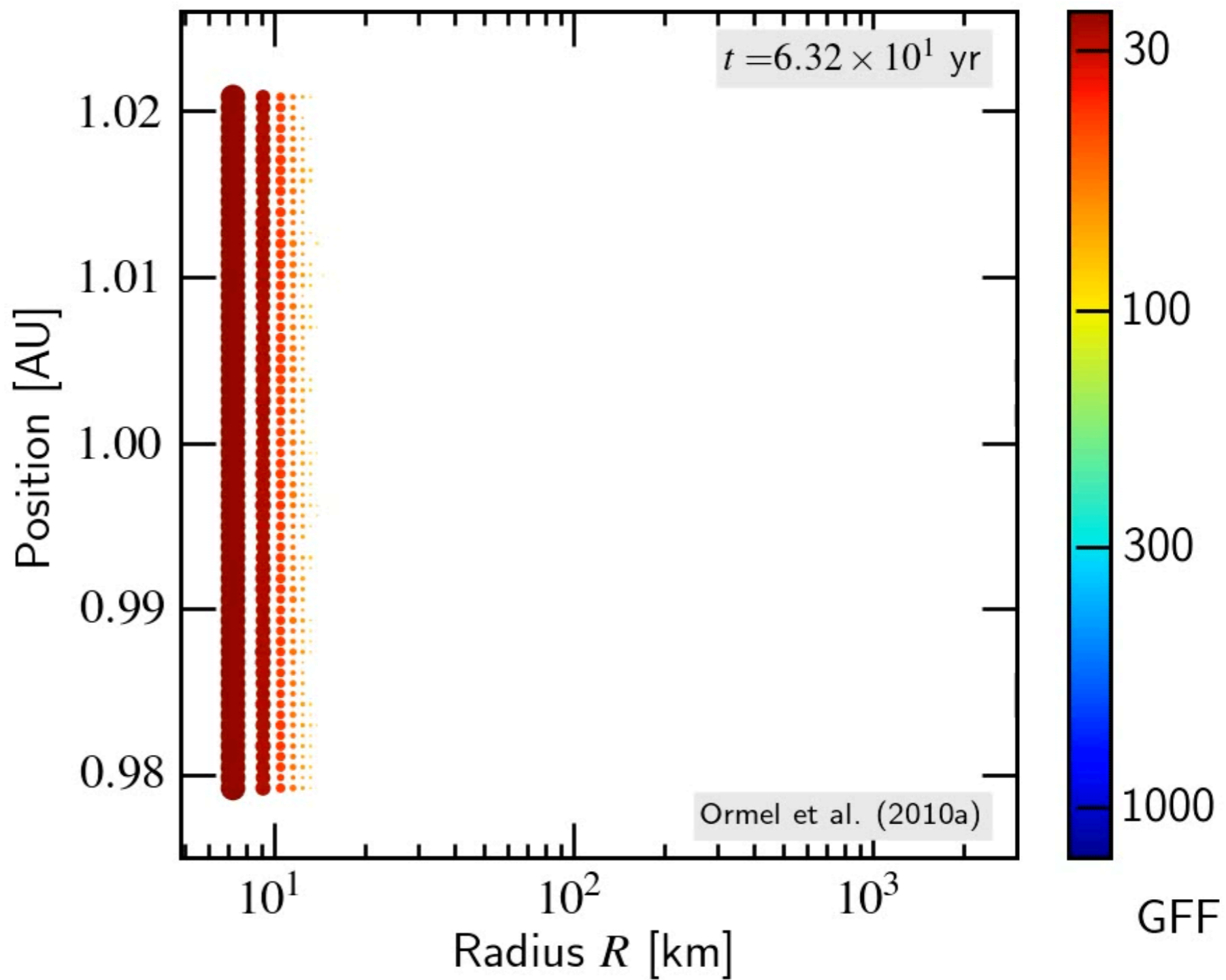
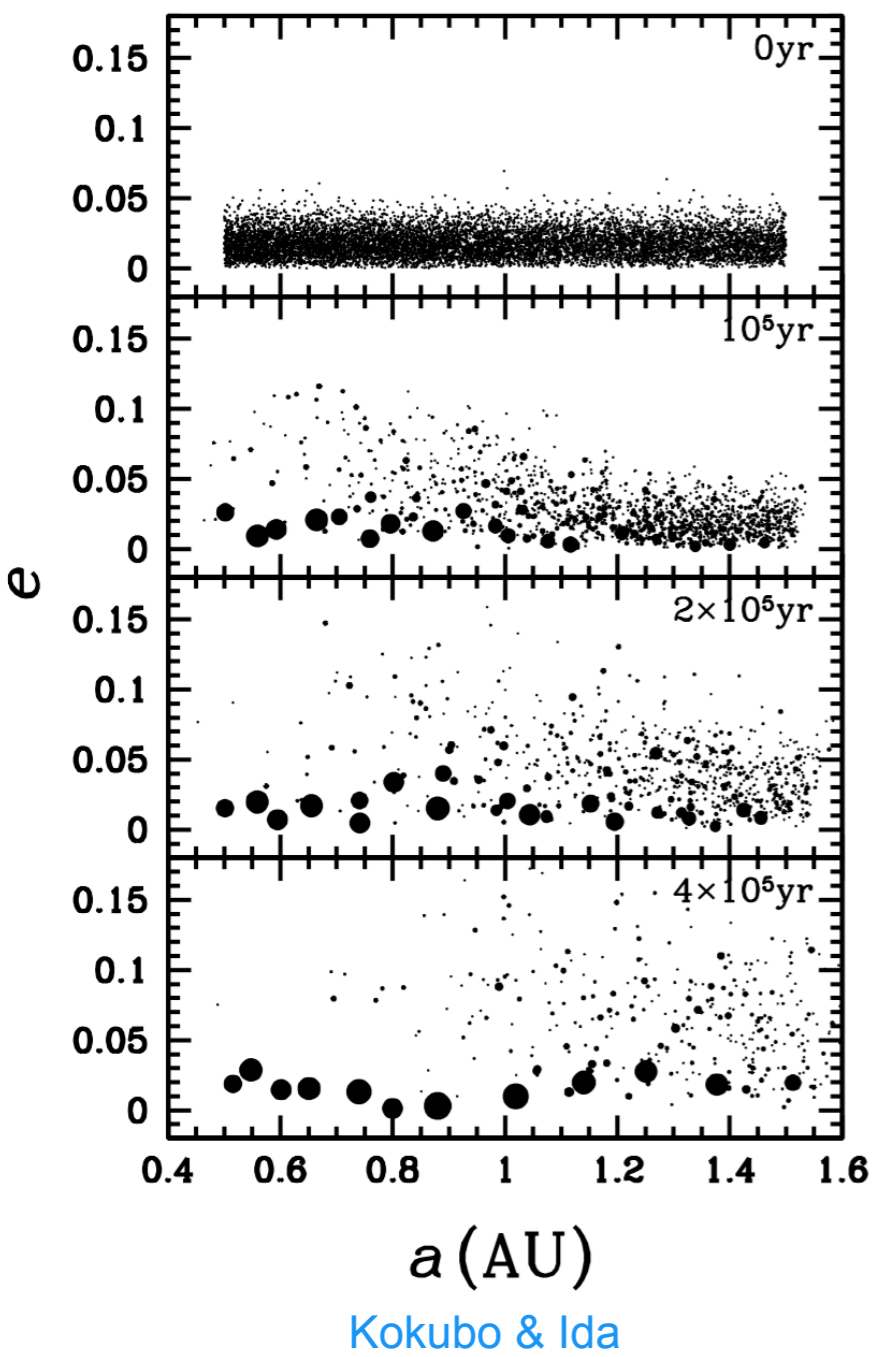
- bigger bodies + small planetesimal population.
- dynamical friction/equipartition of energy indicates that e and i of big body remain small, while e and i of small planetesimals are not affected by the growth of the big one.
- the escape velocity of big body increases due to mass growth, the gravitational focusing attracts more planetesimals and the big body grows faster.
- a positive feedback->runaway growth

Oligarchic growth

The growing bigger bodies have a feedback onto the random velocities of small ones. It gradually reduces the gravitational focusing factor.

The massive bodies grow slower than less massive bodies (still faster than planetesimals). Therefore, these embryos tend to grow towards similar masses (so called “oligarchy”).

$$\frac{1}{M} \frac{dM}{dt} \propto \frac{1}{M^{1/3}}$$

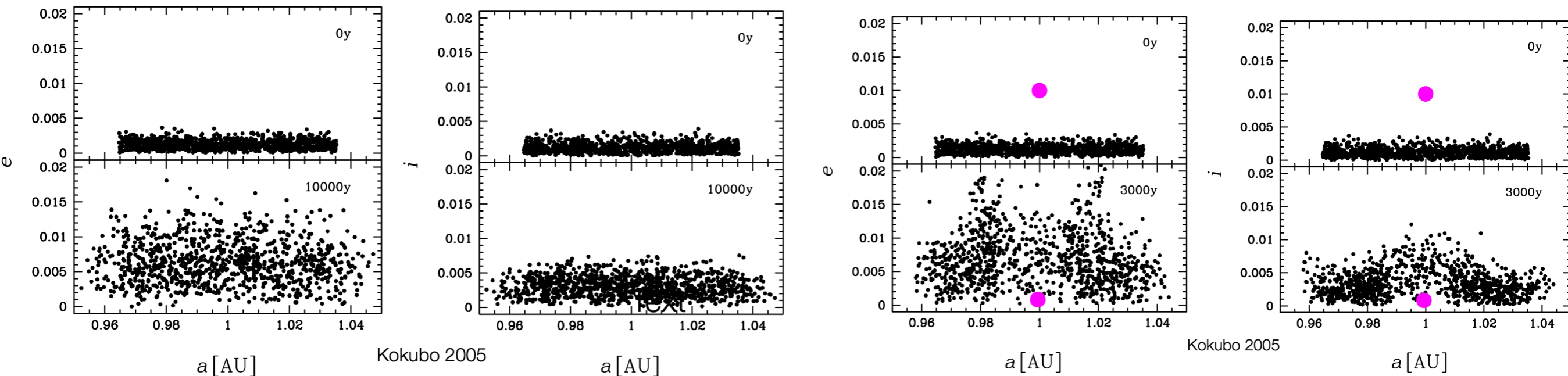


QA: What determines the random velocity of the small planetesimals?

Viscous stirring through gravitational scattering among planetesimals and embryos.

Damping by gas drag.

Dynamical friction: energy transfer from large bodies to small bodies.



Direct N-body simulation of 1000 equal-mass ($m = 10^{24}$ g) planetesimals distributed in a ring at $a = 1$ AU with width $\Delta a = 0.07$ AU.

Note the dynamical “cooling” of the body objects and the “heating” of small ones.

Planetesimal isolation mass

feeding zone of the planet

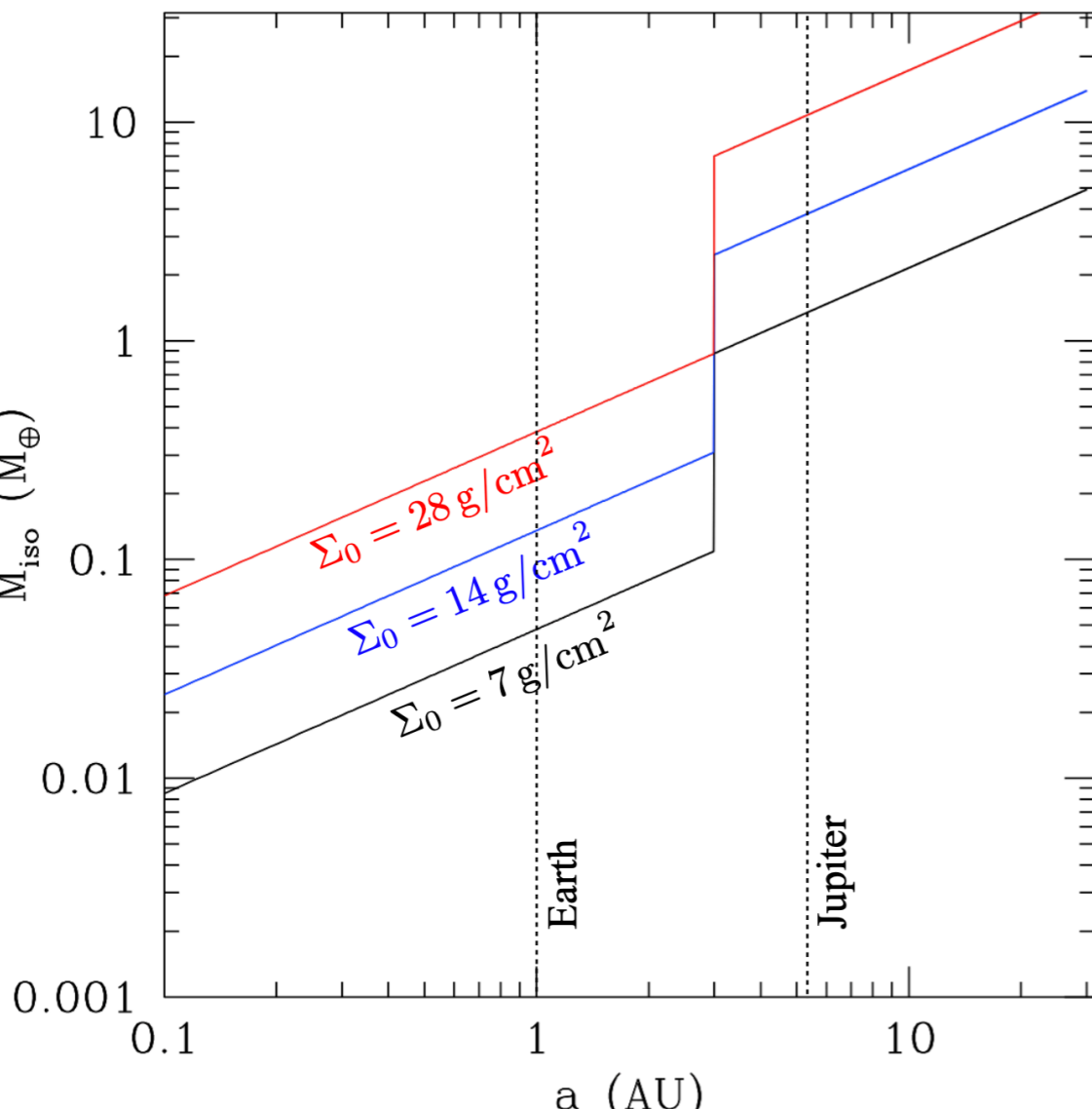
$$\Delta a = fR_H \propto M^{1/3}$$

The planet clears all the material in its feeding zone

$$M_{\text{iso}} = \int_{a-\Delta a}^{a+\Delta a} 2\pi\Sigma_p(r)rdr$$

$$M_{\text{iso}} = \frac{(4\pi fa^2\Sigma_p)^{3/2}}{(3M_\star)^{1/2}}$$

$$\Sigma_p(a) = \eta_{\text{ice}}\Sigma_0 \left(\frac{a}{1\text{AU}}\right)^\alpha \text{ g/cm}^2 \text{ with } \eta_{\text{ice}} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a < a_{\text{ice}} \\ 4 & \text{if } a \geq a_{\text{ice}} \end{cases}$$

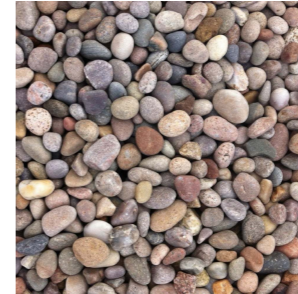
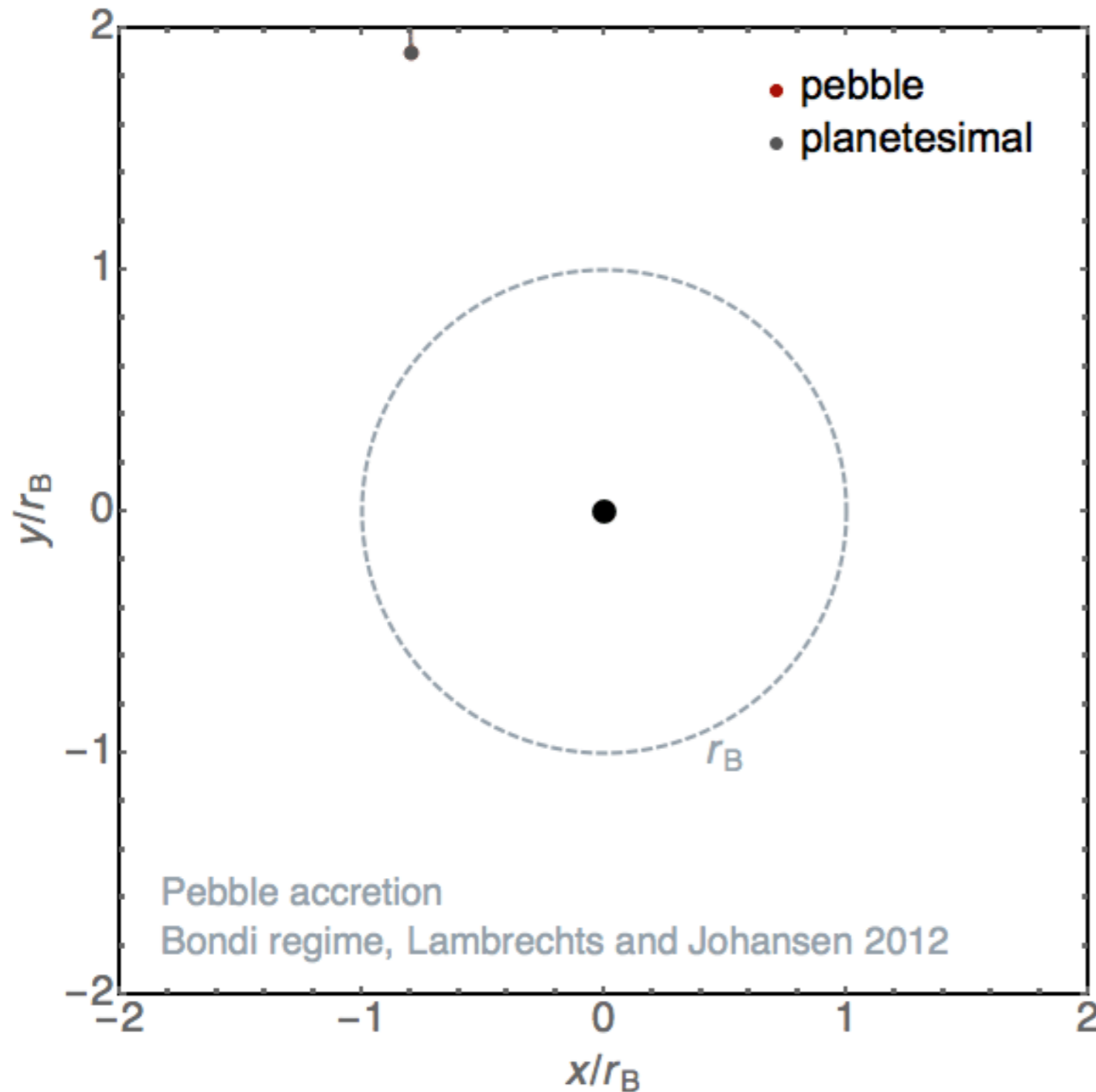


For the MMSN, we have isolation mass of $0.05 M_{\text{Earth}}$ at 1 AU and $2 M_{\text{Earth}}$ at 5.2 AU.

This holds for circular orbits without orbital migration!

Pebble accretion

Pebble accretion: larger accretion radius

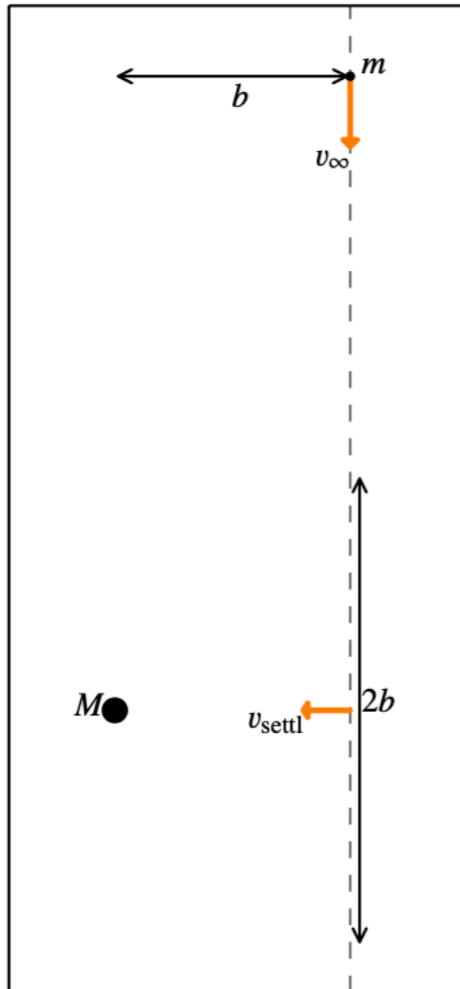


Pebbles
mm-cm

gas drag +
gravitational force

Ormel & Klahr 2010,
Lambrechts & Johansen 2012,
Morbidelli+2015, Levison+2015,
Ida+2016, Xu & Bai 2017, Liu &
Ormel 2018, Ormel & Liu 2018

Pebble accretion: larger accretion radius



t_{stop} How fast particles adjust the moment to the gas

$t_{\text{enc}} \sim b/v_\infty$ The duration of particle-planet encounter

By the force balance, the particle would settle towards to the planet at a velocity $v_{\text{set}} = \frac{GM}{b^2} t_{\text{stop}}$

$$t_{\text{set}} \sim \frac{b}{v_{\text{set}}} \sim \frac{b^3}{GM t_{\text{stop}}}$$

Pebble accretion occurs

- 1) $t_{\text{set}} < t_{\text{enc}}$ particles can settle during encounter
- 2) $t_{\text{stop}} < t_{\text{enc}}$ drag is important during encounter

Equation the settle time and encounter time can get maximum accretion radius

$$b_{\text{PA}} \sim \sqrt{\frac{GM t_{\text{stop}}}{v_\infty}}$$

Pebble accretion: larger accretion radius

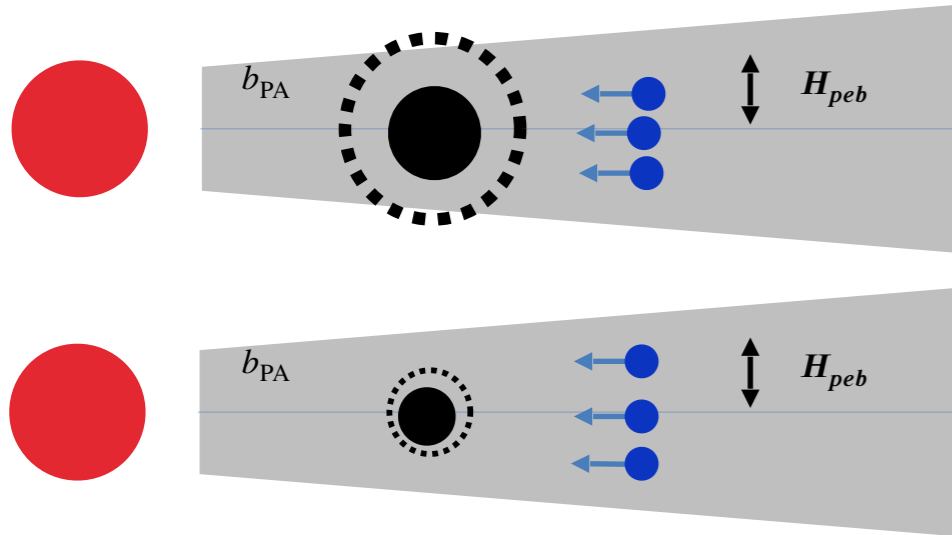
v_∞ matters in pebble accretion

Headwind regime (Bondi regime): $v_\infty \sim \eta v_K, b_{\text{PA}} \sim \sqrt{\frac{GMt_{\text{stop}}}{\eta v_K}}$

shear regime (Hill regime): $v_\infty \sim b\Omega_K, b_{\text{PA}}^3 \sim \frac{GMt_{\text{stop}}}{\Omega}, b_{\text{PA}} \sim R_H \tau_s^{1/3}$

QA: compare the maximum planetesimal accretion radius and pebble accretion radius

Pebble accretion: 2D vs 3D



$$b_{\text{PA}} > H_{\text{peb}} \quad \text{2D}$$

$$\dot{M}_{\text{PA},2\text{D}} = 2b_{\text{PA}}\Delta v\Sigma_{\text{p}} \sim 2\sqrt{GMt_{\text{stop}}\Delta v\Sigma_{\text{p}}}$$

$$b_{\text{PA}} < H_{\text{peb}} \quad \text{3D}$$

$$\dot{M}_{\text{PA},3\text{D}} = b_{\text{PA}}^2\Delta v\rho_{\text{p}} \sim GMt_{\text{stop}}\rho_{\text{p}}$$

QA: What's the role of disk turbulence on pebble accretion?

What's the mass for the onset of pebble accretion

Pebble accretion occurs

1) $t_{\text{set}} < t_{\text{enc}}$ particles can settle during encounter

2) $t_{\text{stop}} < t_{\text{enc}}$ drag is important during encounter

$$t_{\text{enc}} \sim b/v_{\infty} \quad b_{\text{PA}} \sim \sqrt{\frac{GM_p t_{\text{stop}}}{v_{\infty}}}$$

$$v_{\infty, \text{crit}} \sim \left(\frac{M_p}{M_{\star} \tau_s} \right)^{1/3} v_K \sim \eta v_K$$

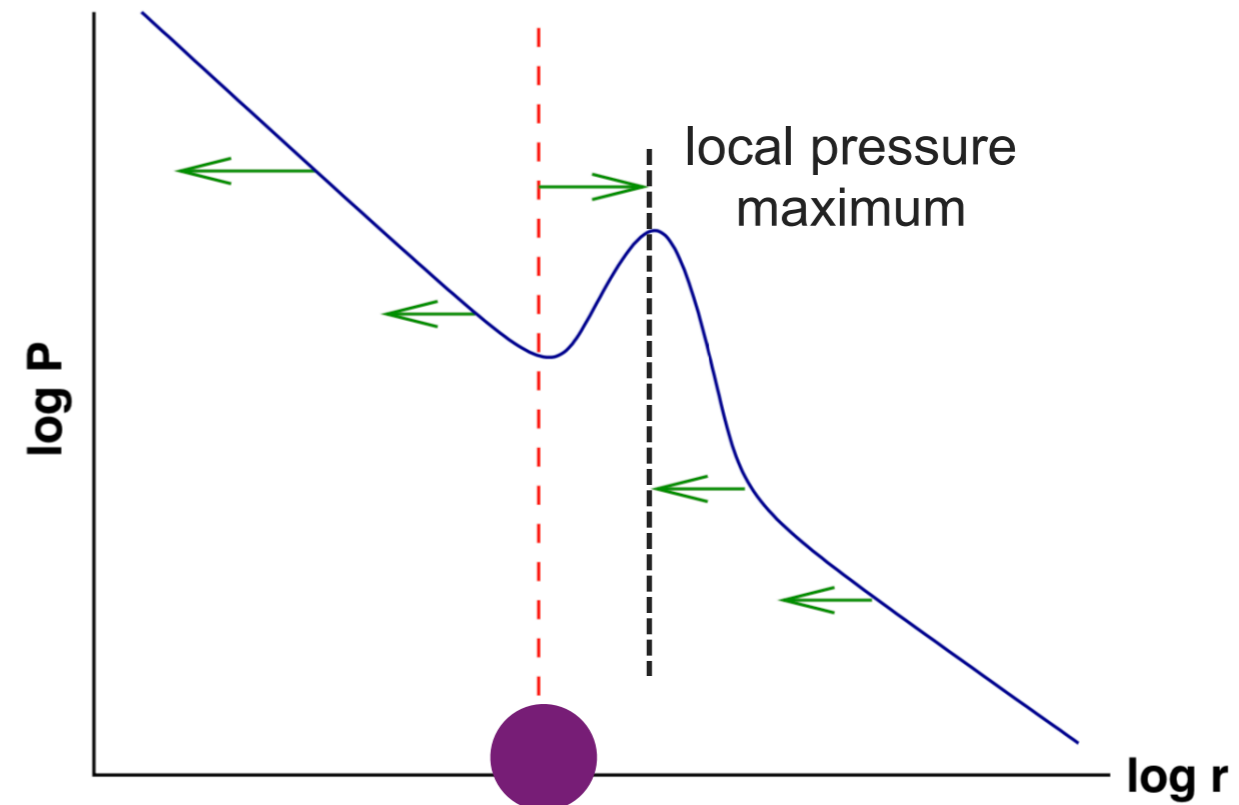
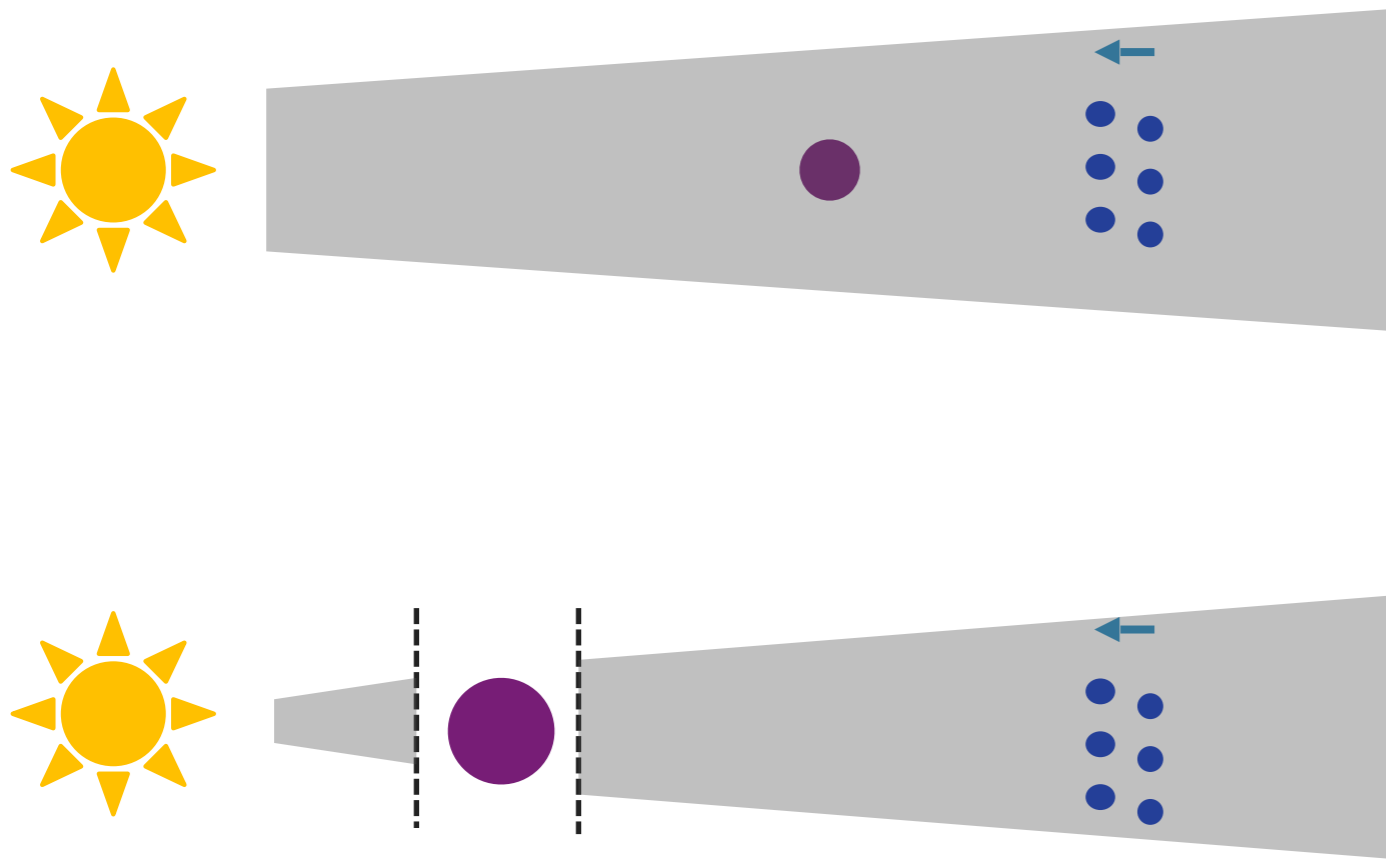
$$M_{\text{onset}} = \tau_s \eta^3 M_{\star}$$

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$$= 2.5 \times 10^{-4} \left(\frac{\tau_s}{0.1} \right) \left(\frac{\eta}{2 \times 10^{-3}} \right)^3 \left(\frac{M_{\star}}{M_{\odot}} \right) M_{\oplus}$$

Massive planets stop accreting pebbles

Pebble isolation mass



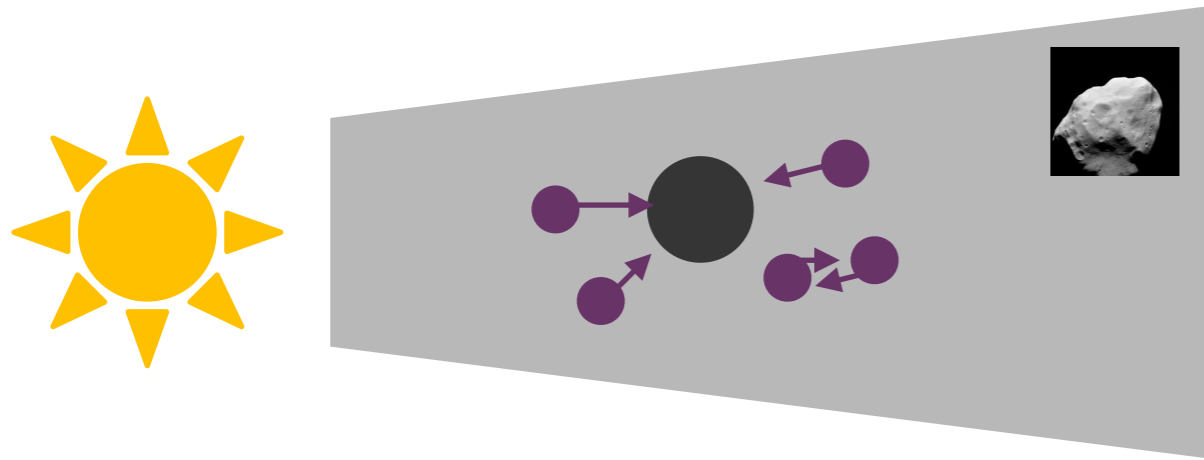
Lambrechts+ 2014

$$M_{\text{iso}} \simeq 20 M_{\oplus} \left(\frac{h_{\text{gas}}}{0.05} \right)^3 \left(\frac{M_{\star}}{M_{\odot}} \right)$$

$\approx 1 M_{\oplus}$ for $0.1 M_{\odot}$ stars
 $\approx 20 M_{\oplus}$ for $1 M_{\odot}$ stars

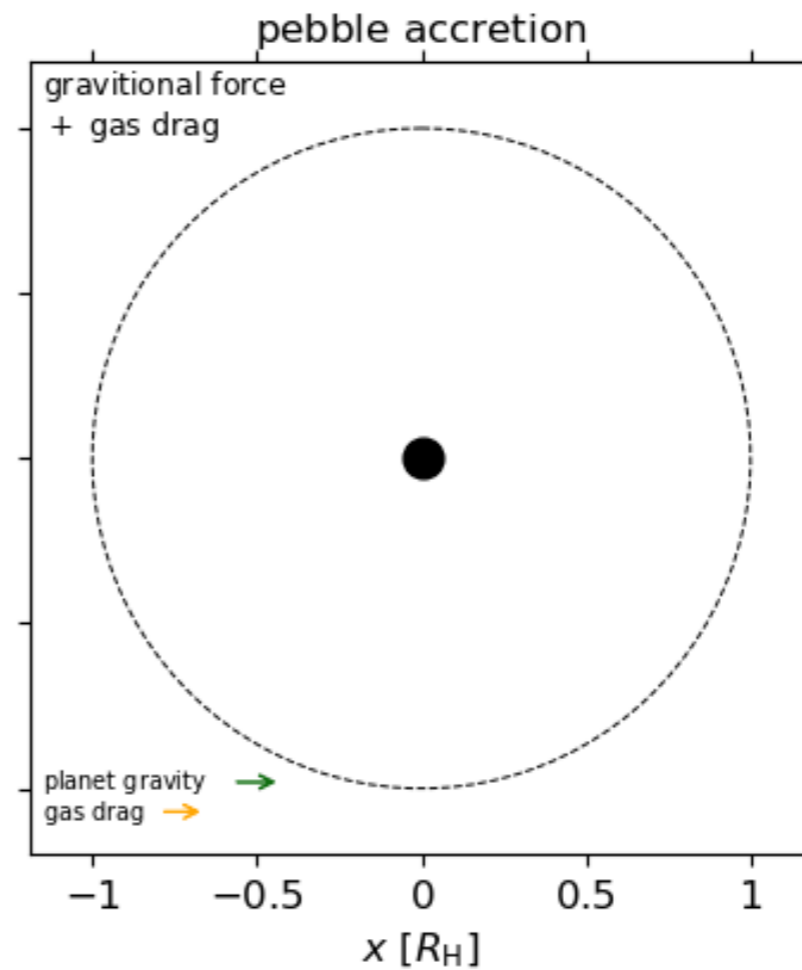
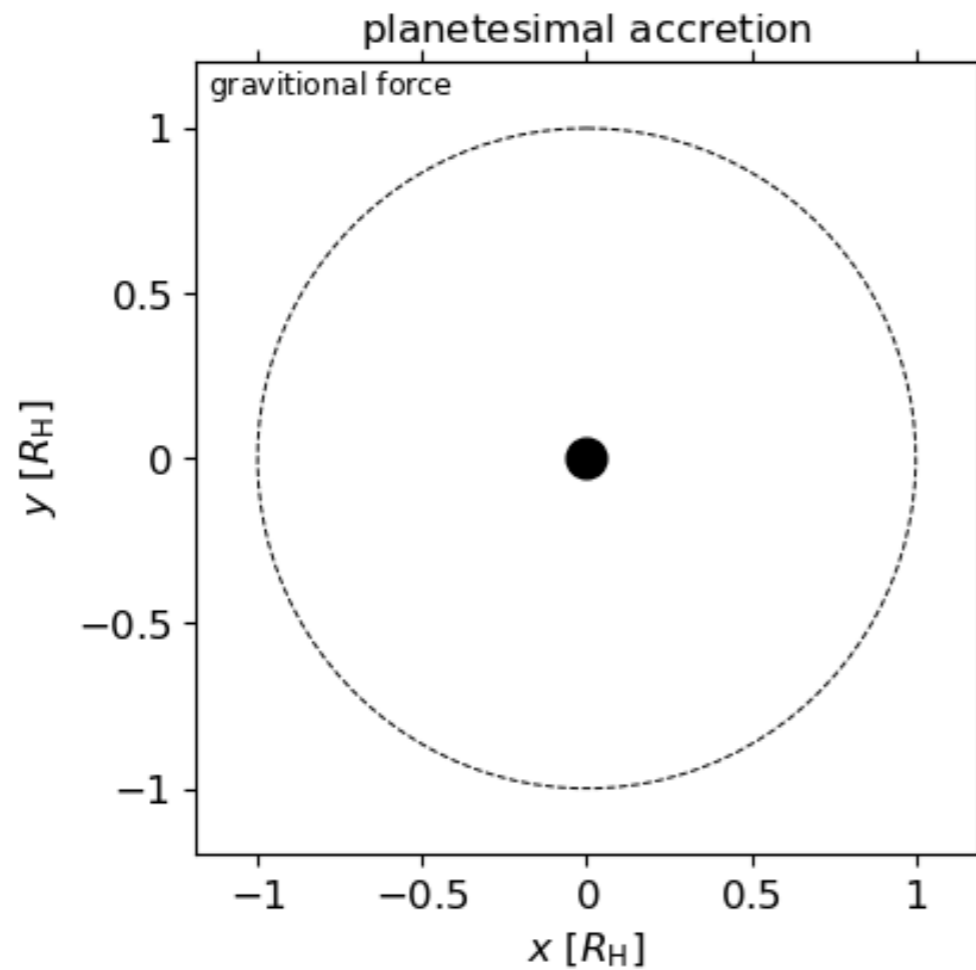
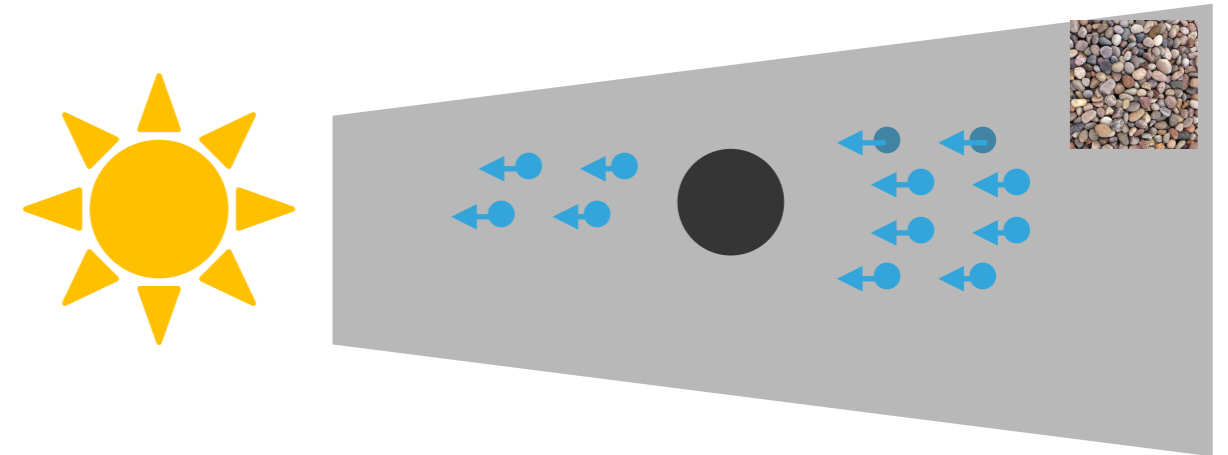
Planetesimals accretion

Safronov 1969; Wetherill & Stewart 1989, Kokubo & Ida 1996, 1998



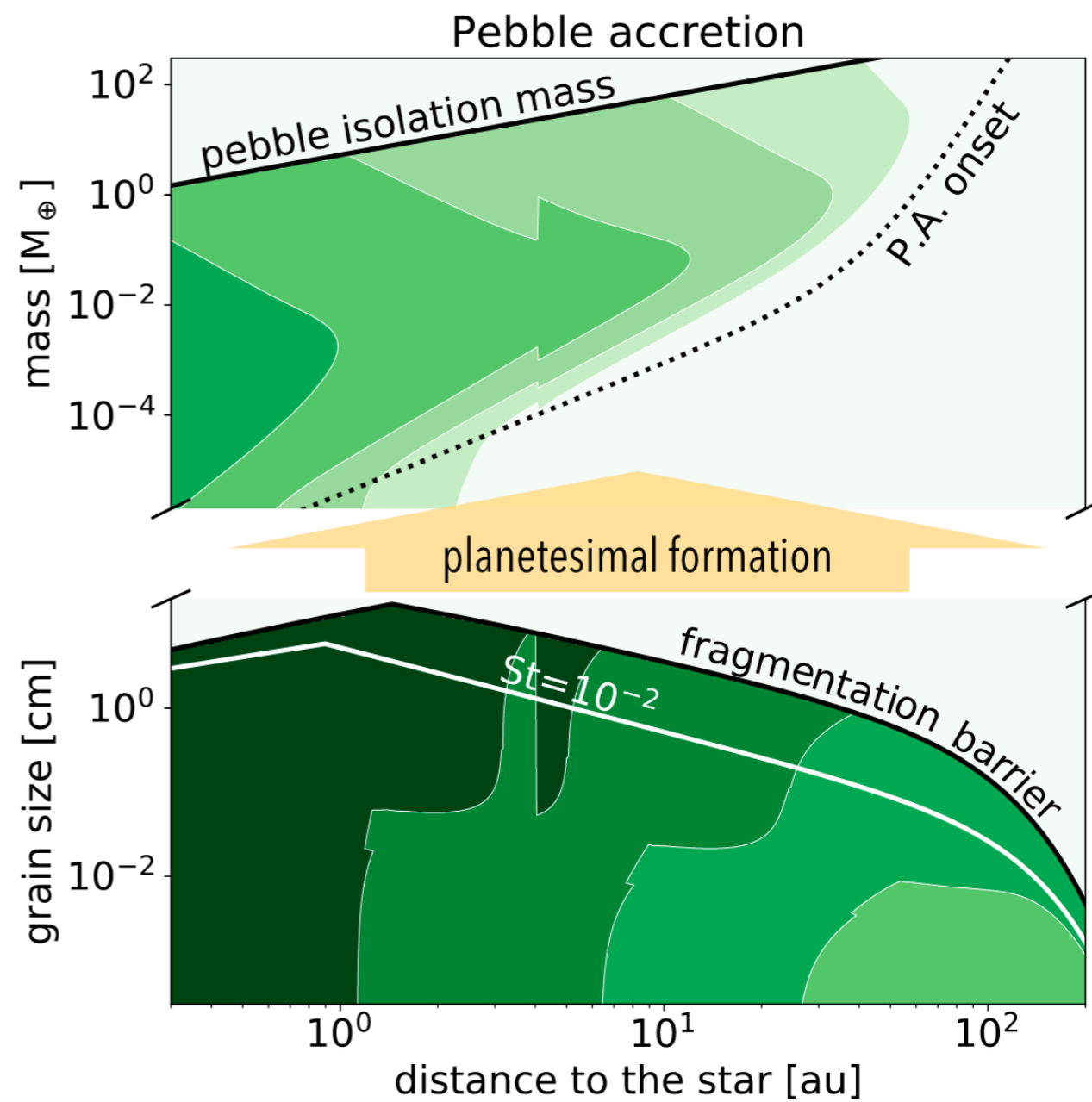
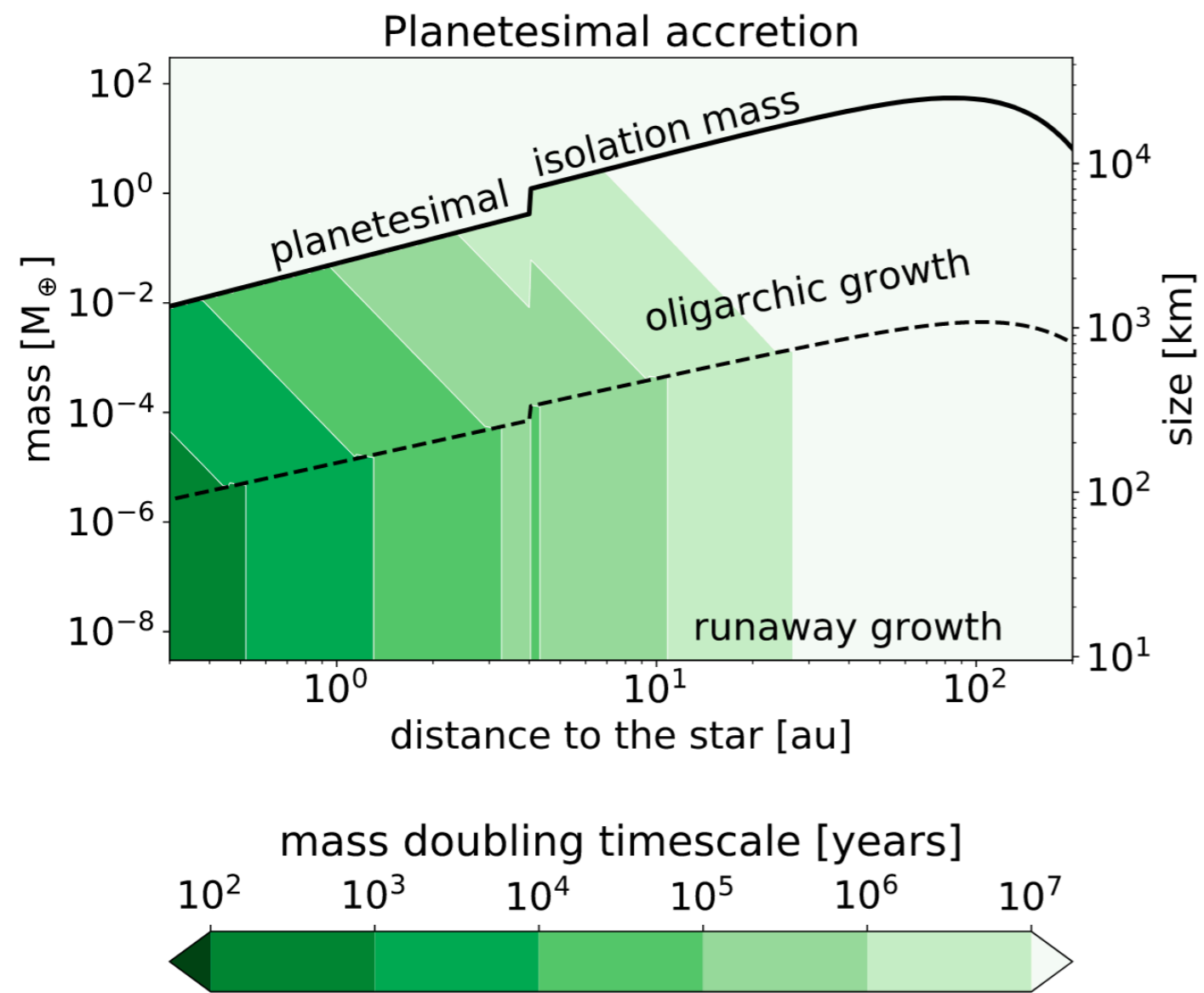
Pebble accretion

Ormel & Klahr 2010; Lambrechts & Johansen 2012



Viewed in the co-moving frame

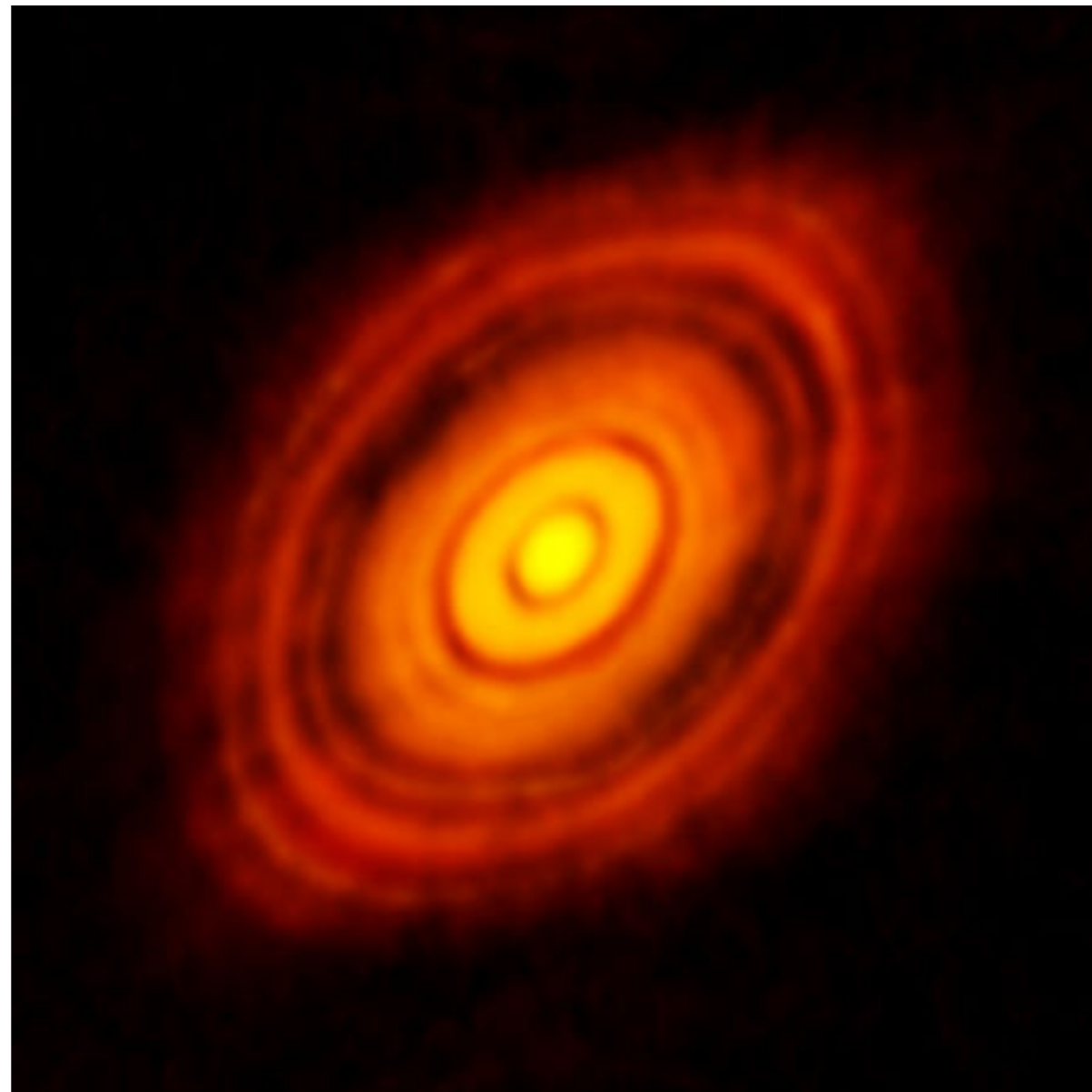
Credit: Liu & Ji 2020



**Single site planetesimal
formation + hybrid
accretion**

Classical view: planetesimals forms everywhere

Think a bit more: solid concentration and planetesimal formation might not happen everywhere



Where planetesimals can form

SI condition: enhanced solid density $\rho_{\text{peb}} \simeq \rho_{\text{gas}}$

1. ice lines

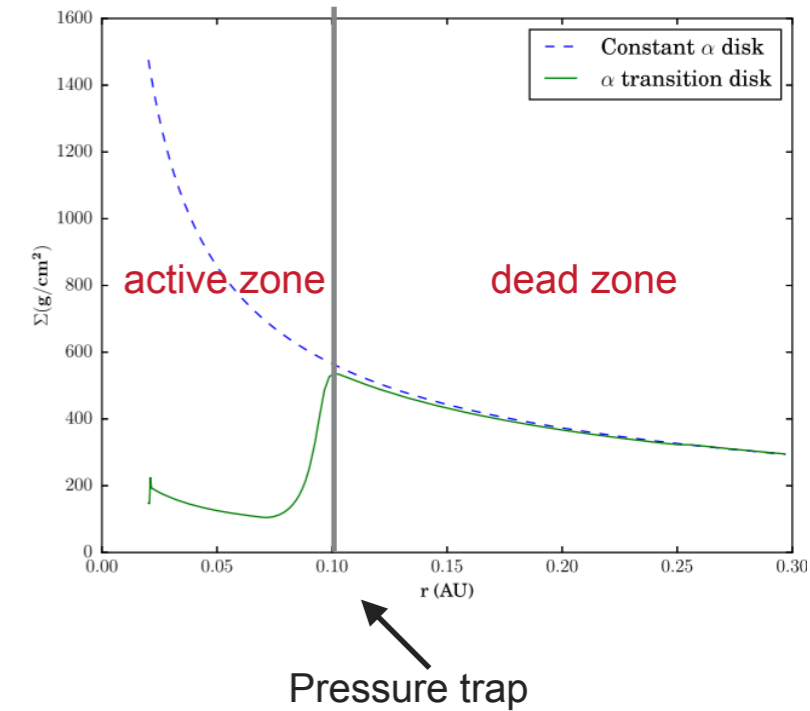
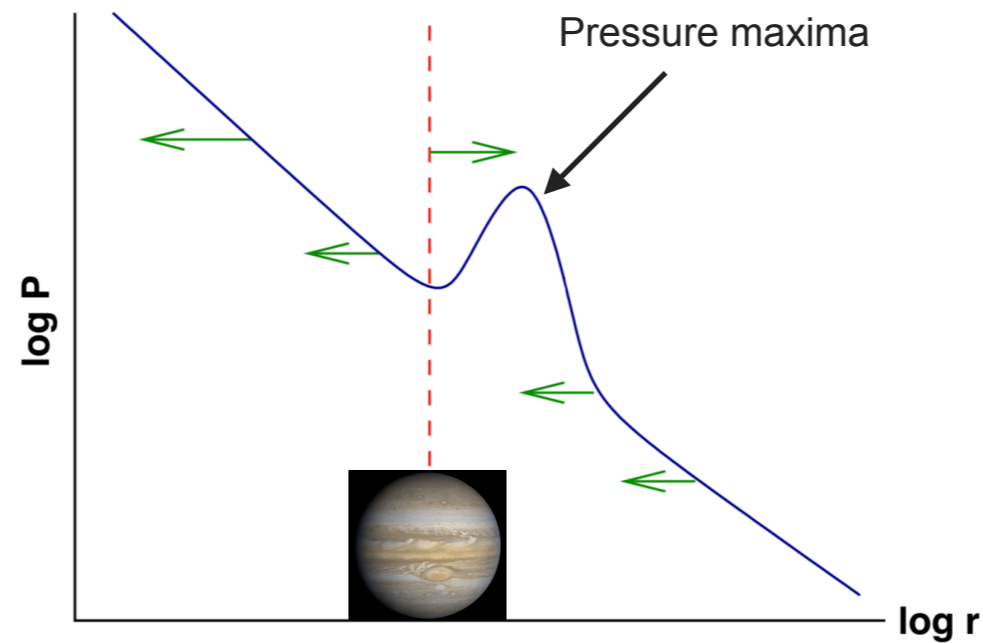
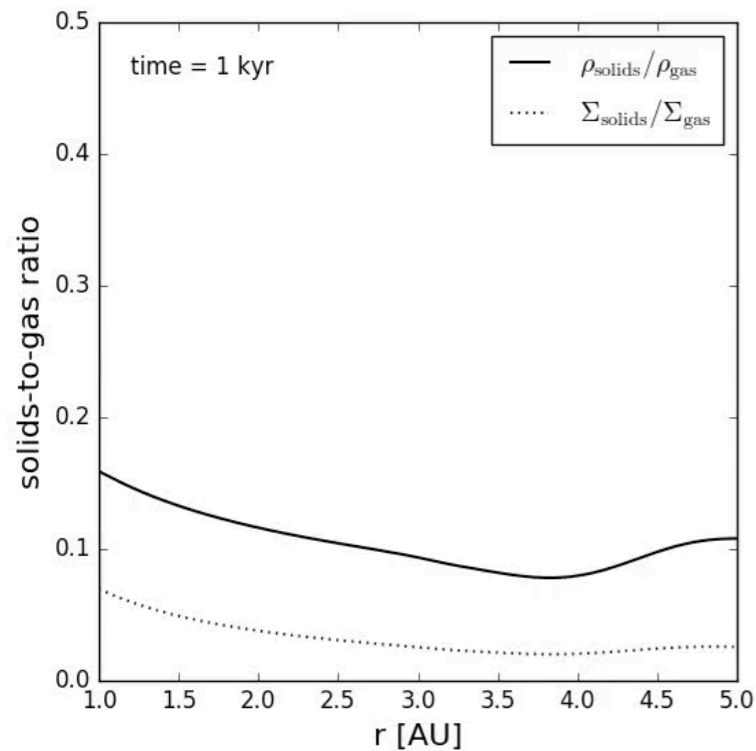
Ros & Johansen 2013
 Ida & Guillot 2016
 Schoonenberg & Ormel 2017
 Drazkowska & Alibert 2017

2. edge of planetary-induced gap

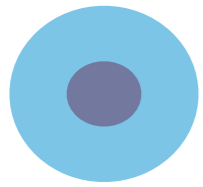
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 Eriksson, Johansen & Liu 2020

3. deadzone boundary

Chatterjee & Tan 2014,2015
 Hu, Zhu & Tan+ 2016,2018

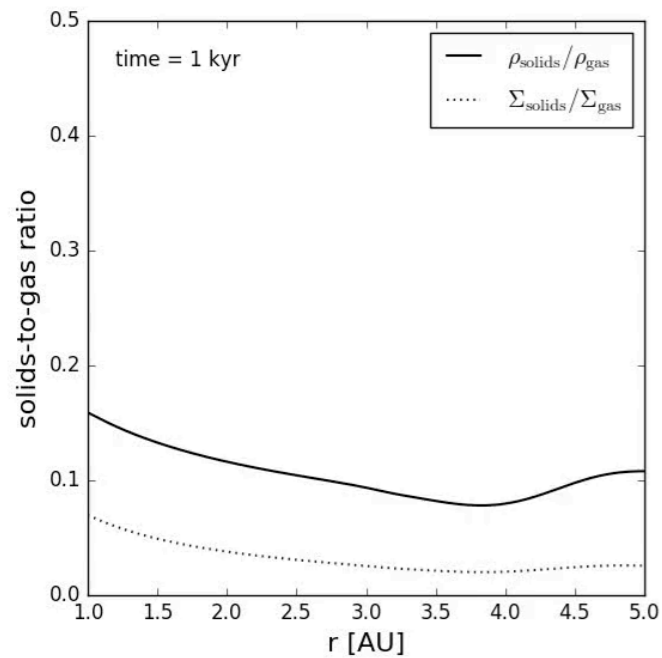
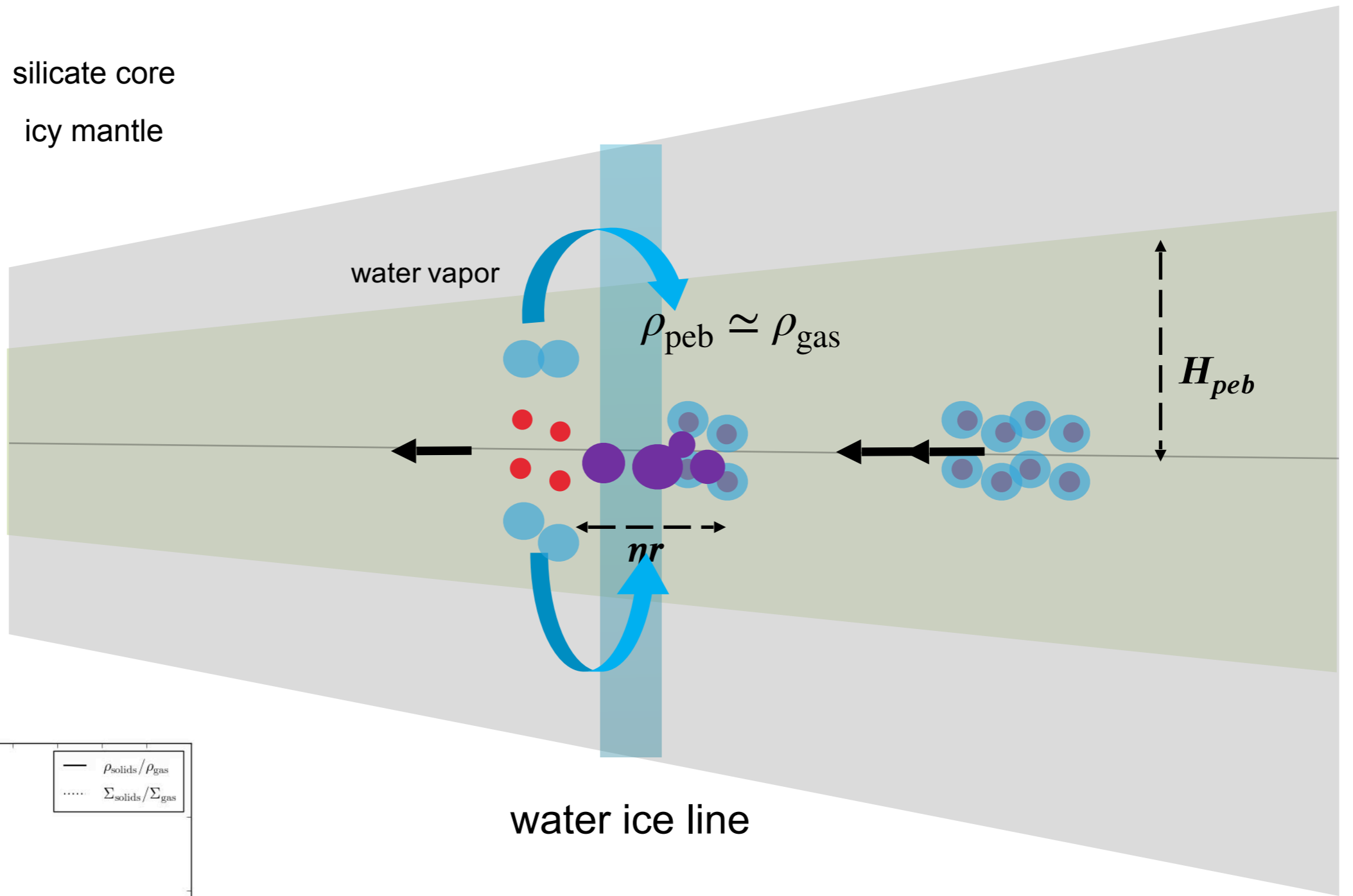
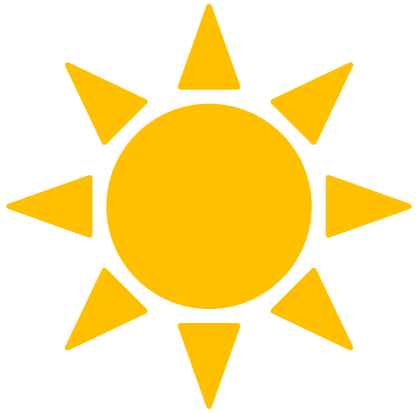


Streaming instability at ice line



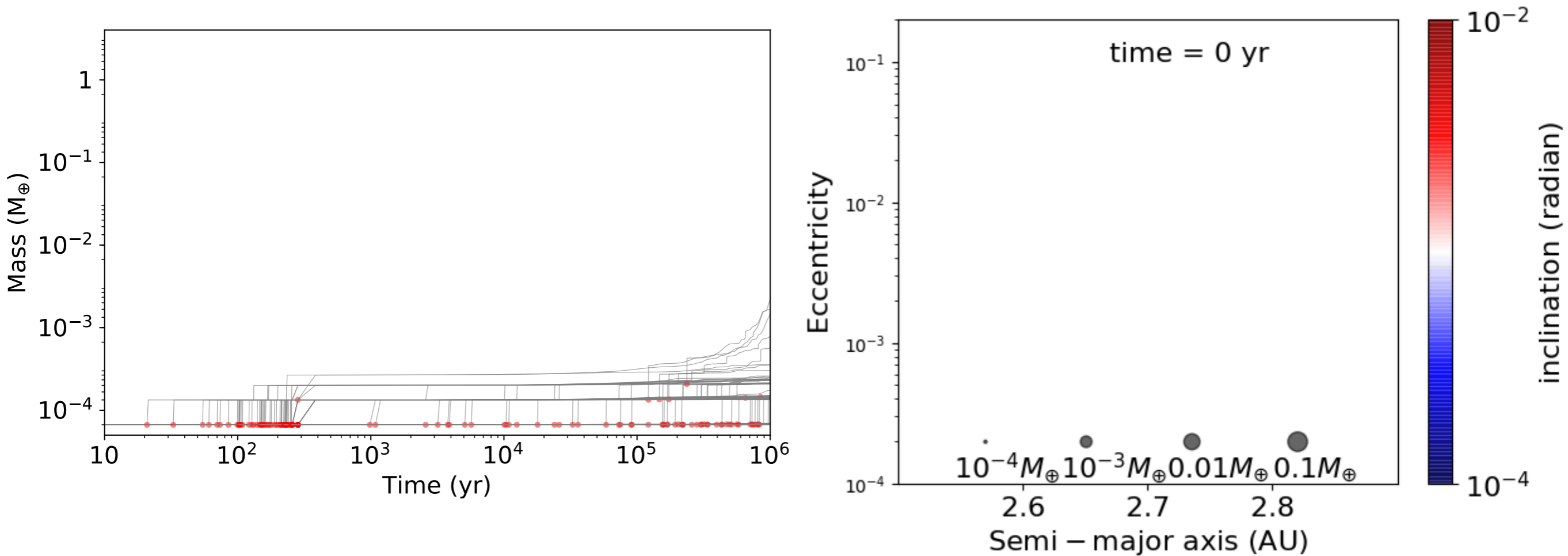
silicate core

icy mantle



1. Mono-dispersed population: limited growth

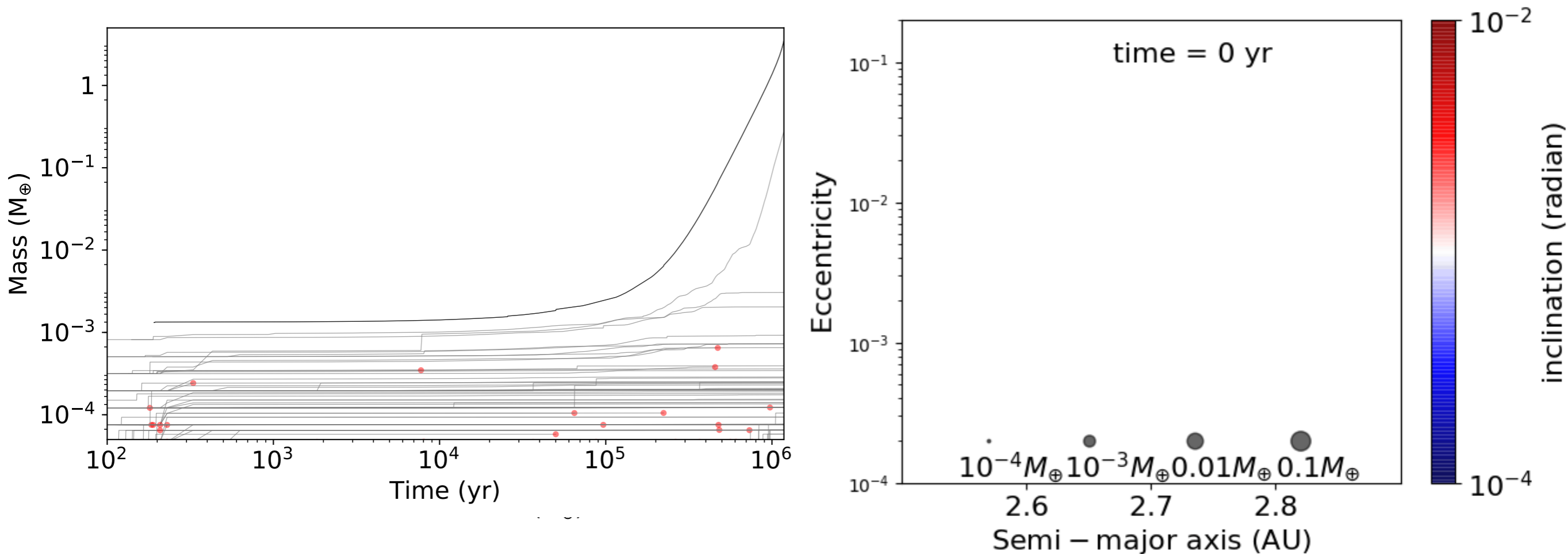
$R_{\text{pl}}=400$ km ($7e-5 M_{\text{E}}$), $N_{\text{pl}}=580$, pebble flux: $100 M_{\text{E}}/\text{Myr}$



eccentricities and inclinations get excited

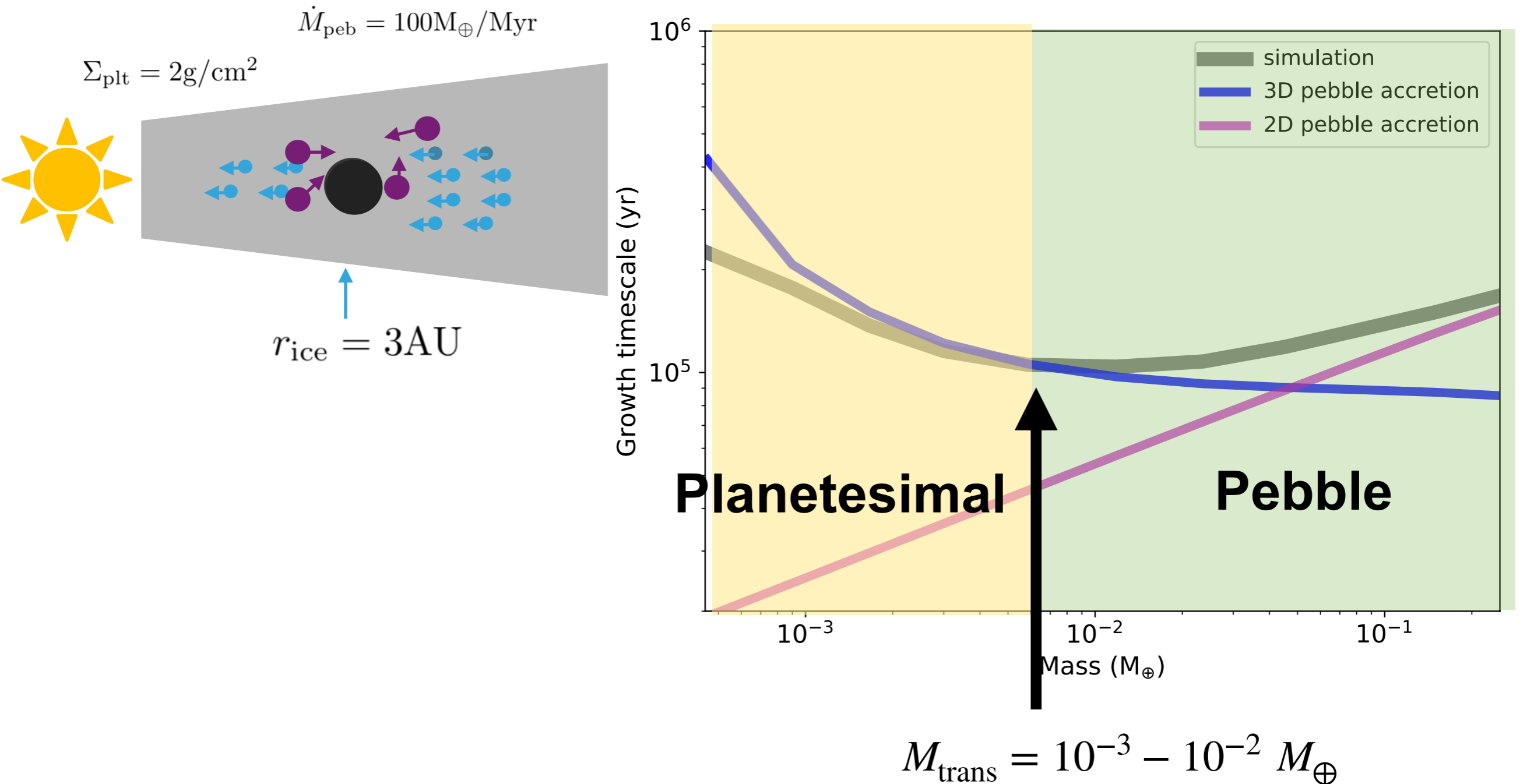
2. Poly-dispersed population: promote planet growth

$R_{\text{pl}}=200\text{-}1000$ km followed by [Schafer+2017](#), pebble flux: $100 M_{\oplus}/\text{Myr}$



Largest body accretes most planetesimals and pebbles
Small planetesimals damp large body's random velocity

From Planetesimal Accretion to Pebble Accretion

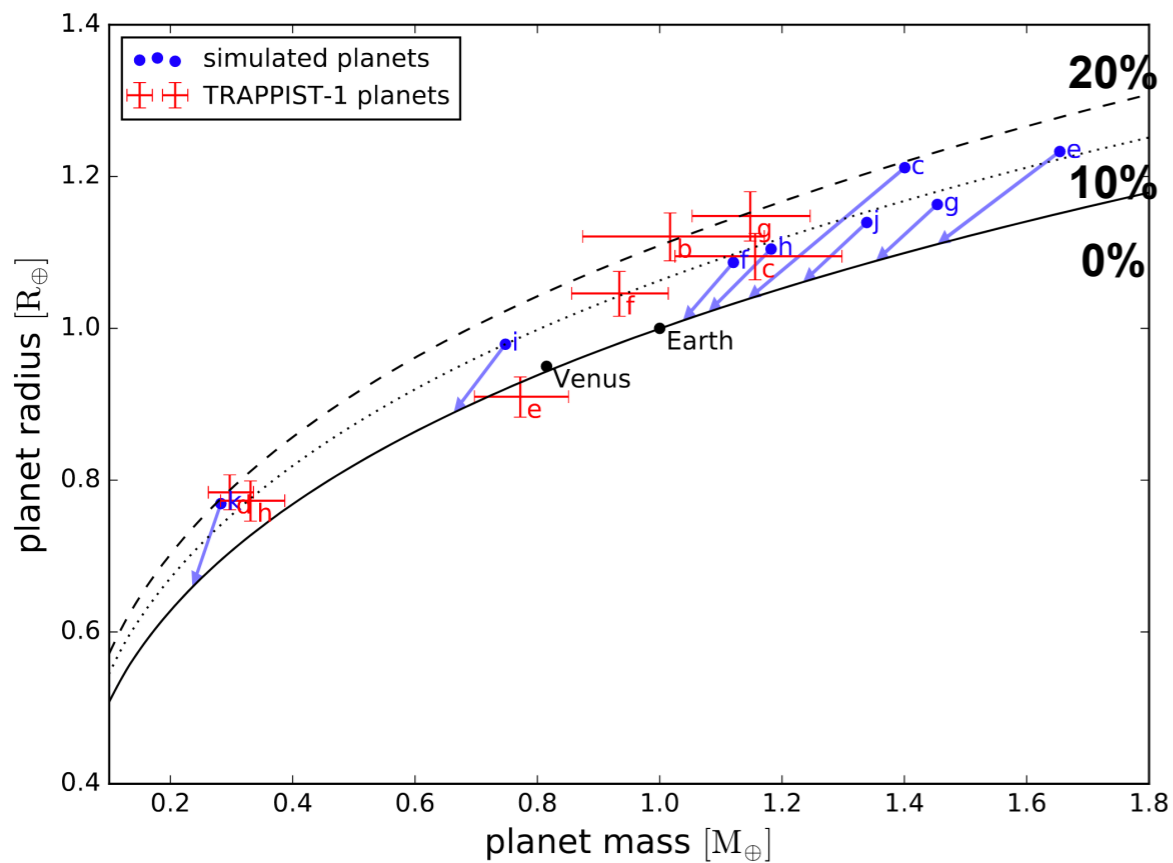
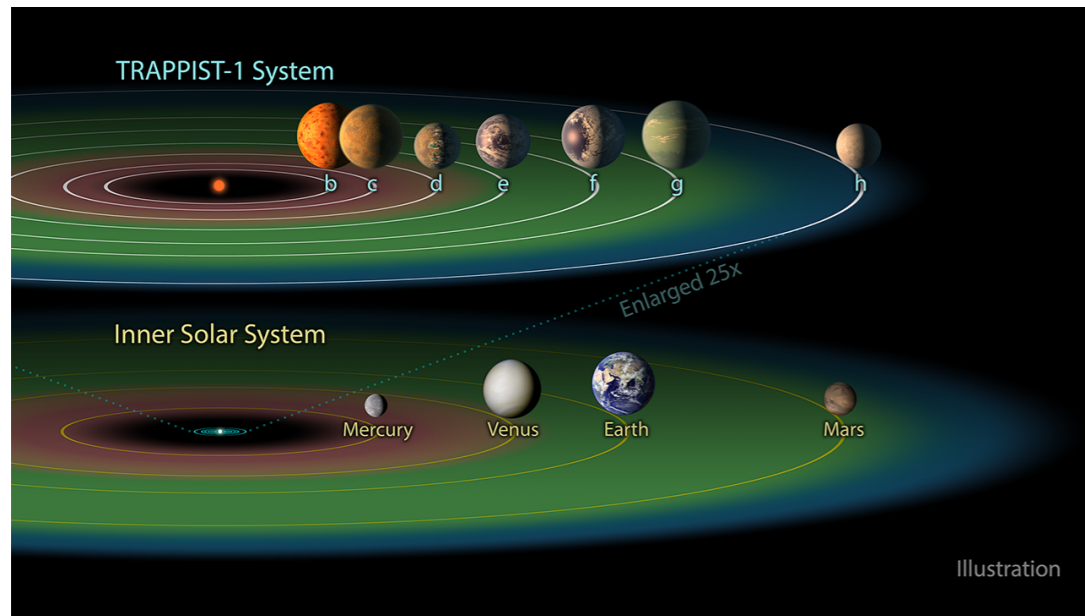


$$M_{\text{trans}} = 10^{-3} - 10^{-2} M_{\oplus}$$

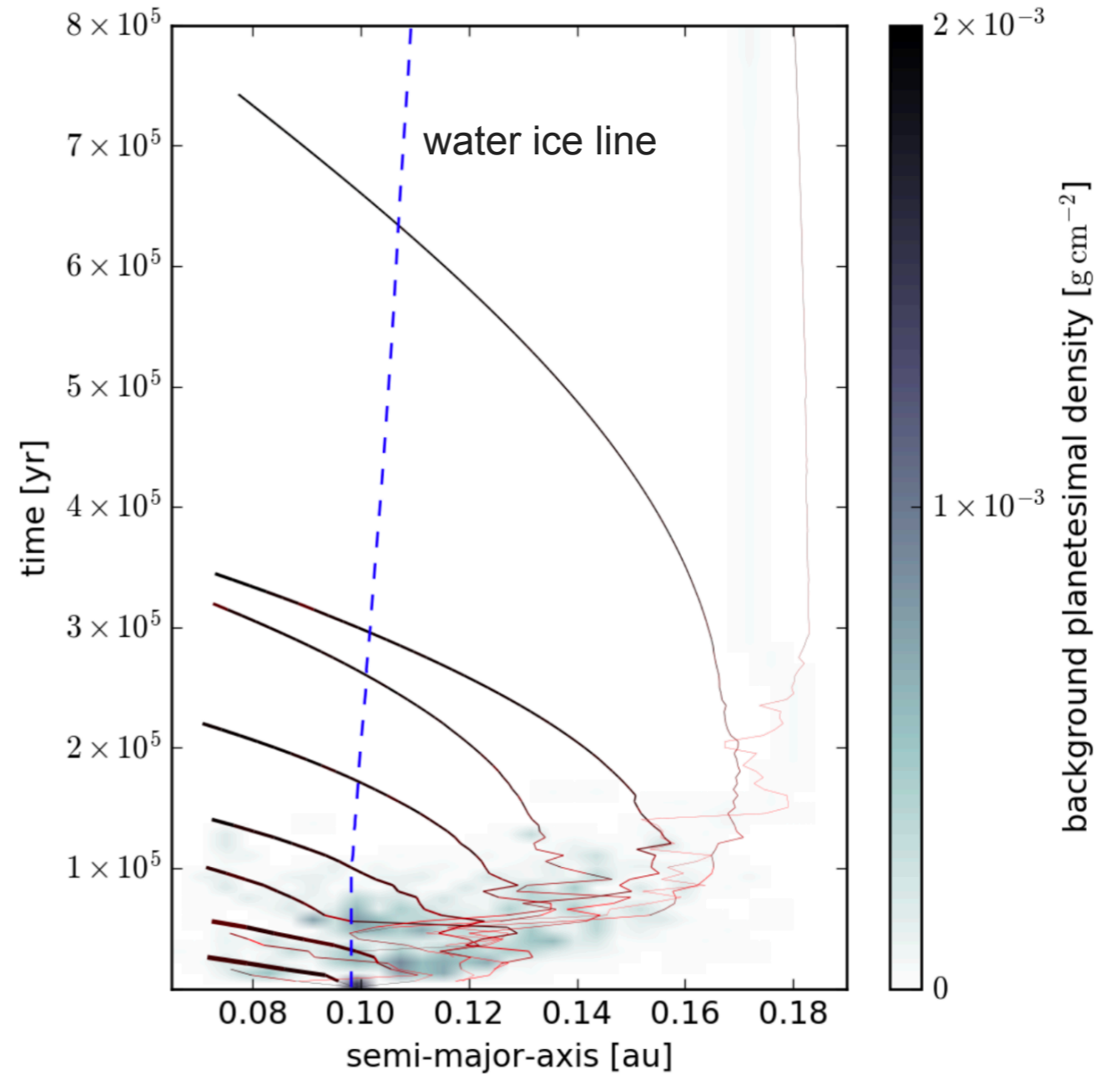
Liu, Ormel & Johansen 2019

Formation of Trappist-1 system

7 Earth-mass planets around 0.08 solar-mass dwarf



planetesimal water ice line formation + **pebble accretion**



Ormel, Liu & Schoonenberg, 2017
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