

# Evolution of rocky and icy planetary bodies in the Solar System

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# Approach & Resources

- Pedagogical, not research
- Generic, not specific, processes
- Order of magnitude arguments (+equations)

Planet formation & accretion:

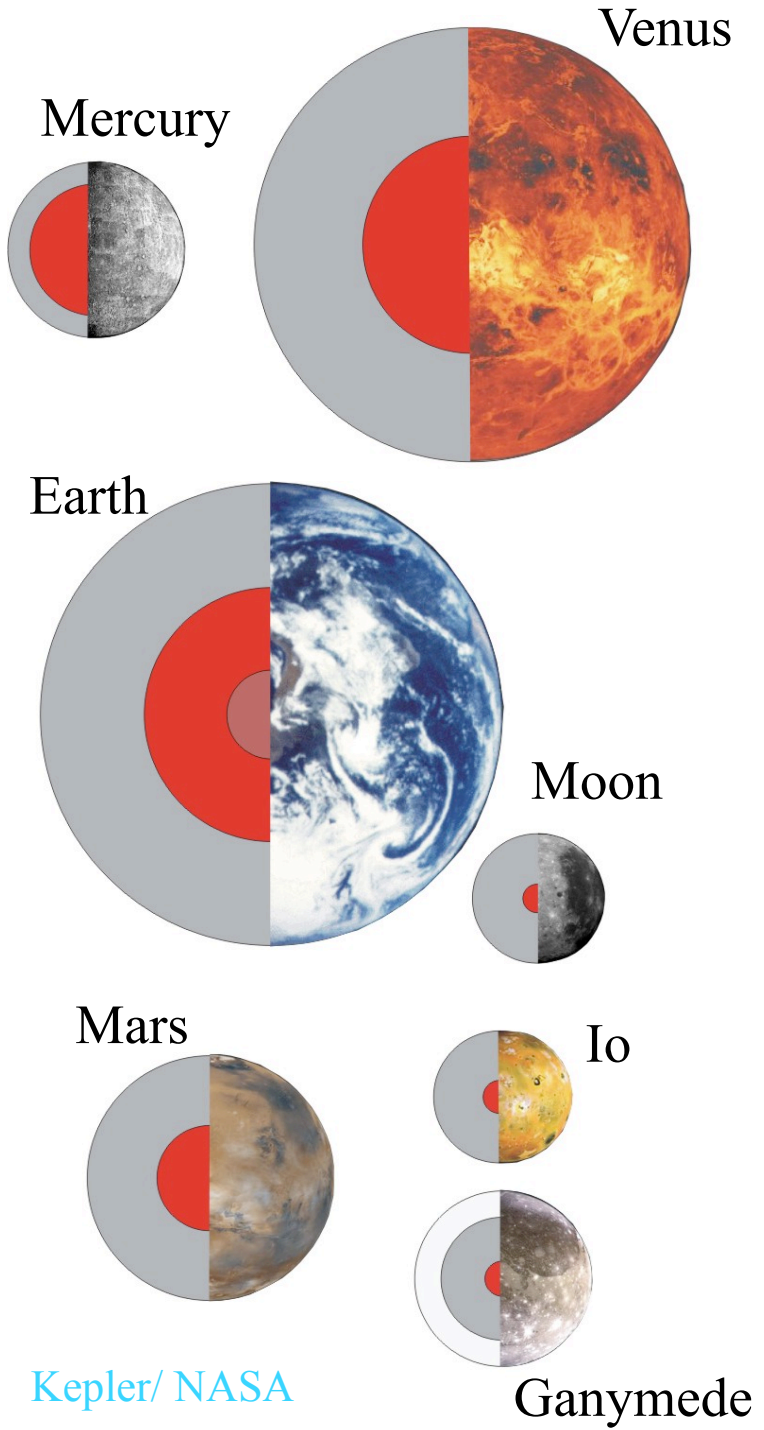
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Geophysics & heat transfer:

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Satellites & tides:

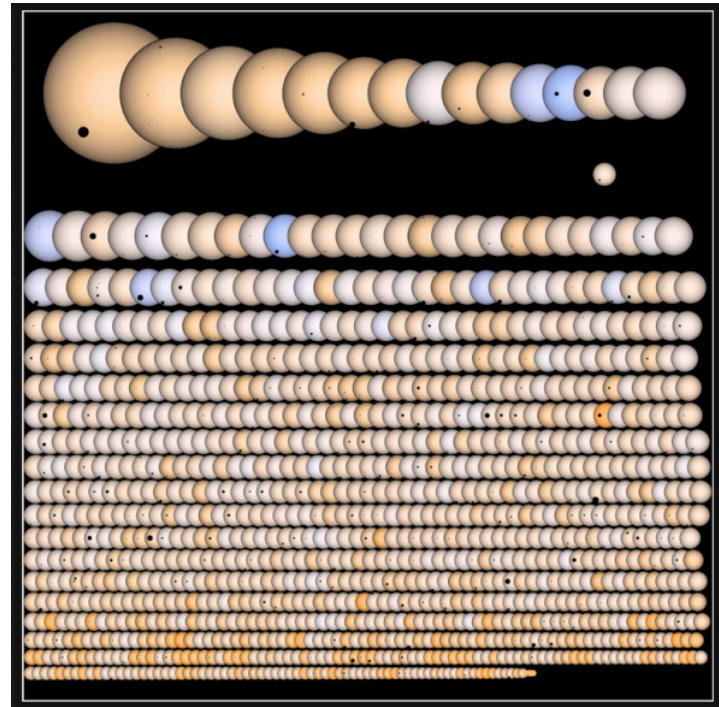
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Small  $N$ , lots of information  
(e.g. chemistry)

Same processes operating

Large  $N$ , little information  
(especially for solid bodies!)

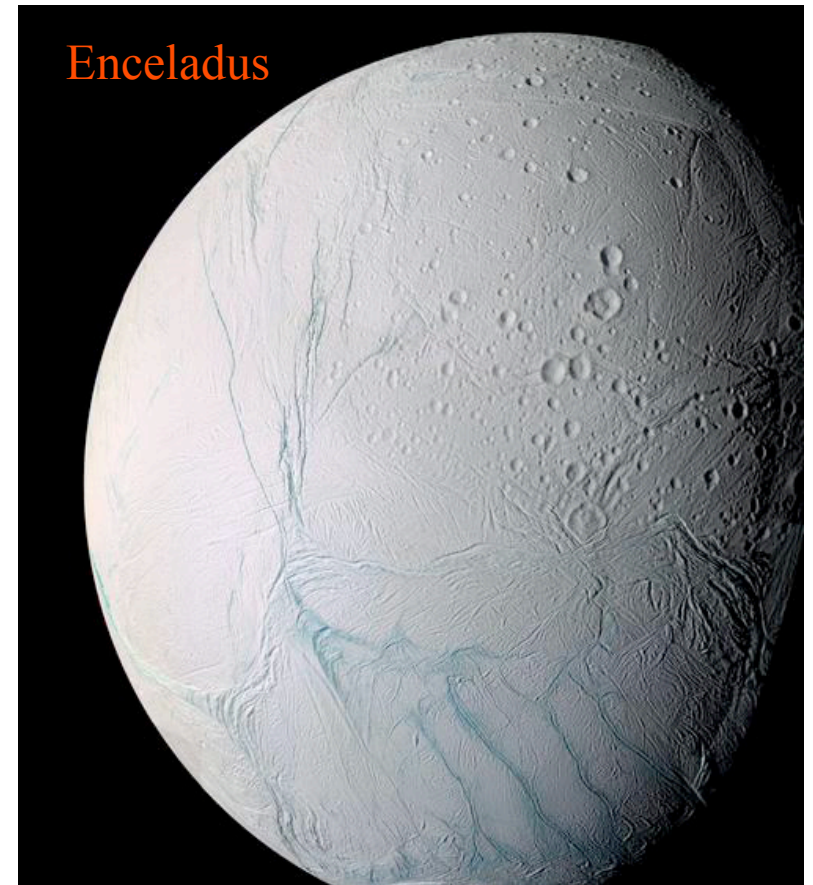


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# Why think about solid bodies?

- Habitability (sigh)
- Their surfaces, interiors, orbits and chemistry give clues to their *history* (and that of the solar system)
- Gas giants (mostly) don't do this



Kepler/ NASA

Present-day state = Initial Conditions + Subsequent Evolution

# Outline

I. Accretion (long)

II. Heat Sources (short)

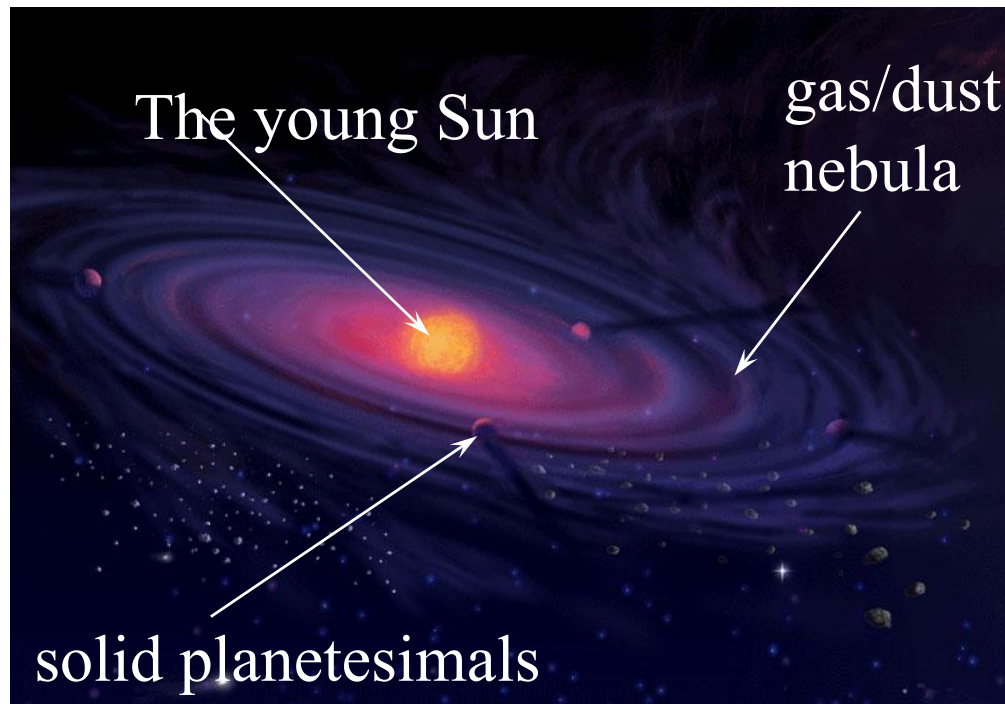
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III. Heat Transfer (short)

IV. Tides (long)

# Part I - Accretion

- Why is accretion important?:
  - Universal process
  - It sets the initial conditions from which the bodies evolve
  - It can yield diverse outcomes



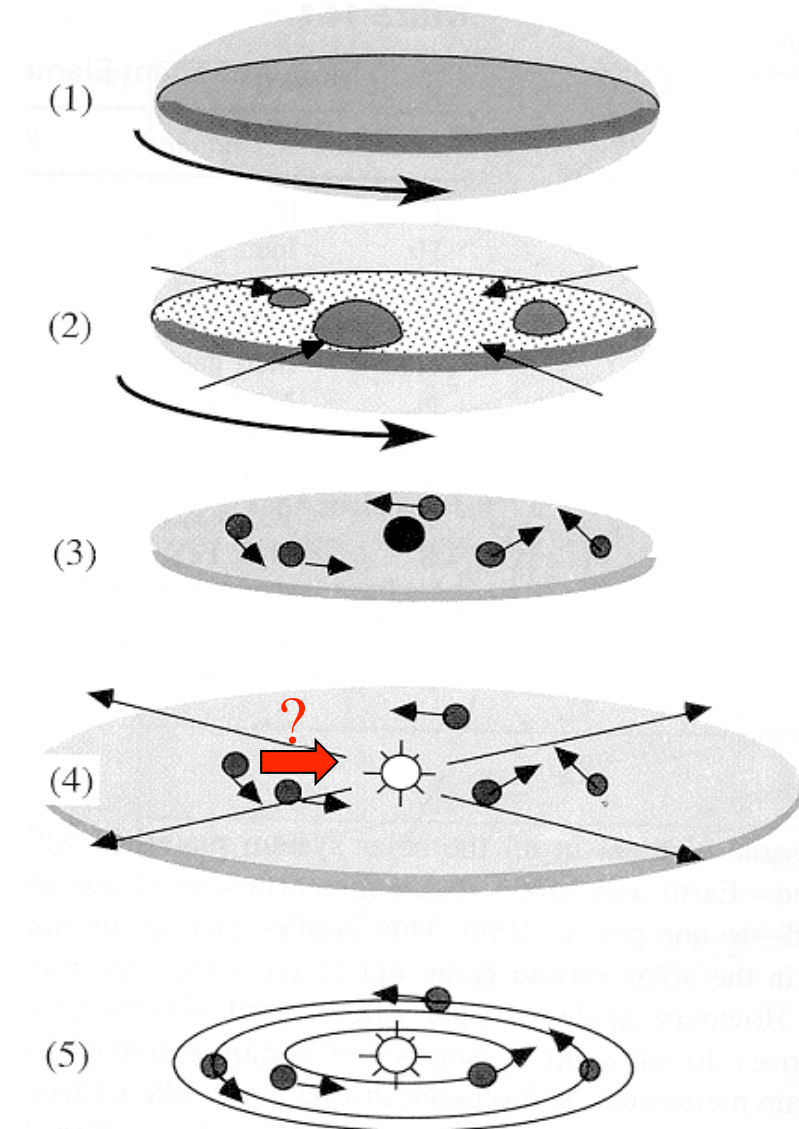
# Accretion - Topics

- 0. Introduction
- 1. Bulk composition
- 2. Spin/orbit state
- 3. Later events
- 4. Energy delivery (see below)

Resources: J. Chambers, in *Exoplanets*, Sara Seager (ed.), U.Az. Press, 2010  
P.J. Armitage, *Astrophysics of Planet Formation*, C.U.P., 2010  
A. Morbidelli, in *Solar & Planetary Systems*, French & Kalas, eds.,  
Springer, 2012

# Sequence of events

- 1. Nebular disk formation
- 2. Initial coagulation ( $\sim 10\text{km}$ ,  $\sim 10^4$  yrs)
- 3. Runaway growth (to Moon size,  $\sim 10^5$  yrs)
- 4. Oligarchic growth (to Mars size,  $\sim 10^6$  yrs), migration (?), gas loss
- 5. Late-stage collisions ( $\sim 10^{7-8}$  yrs)





# Accretion

$$\frac{dM}{dt} = (1 + \theta) n \sigma \pi R^2$$

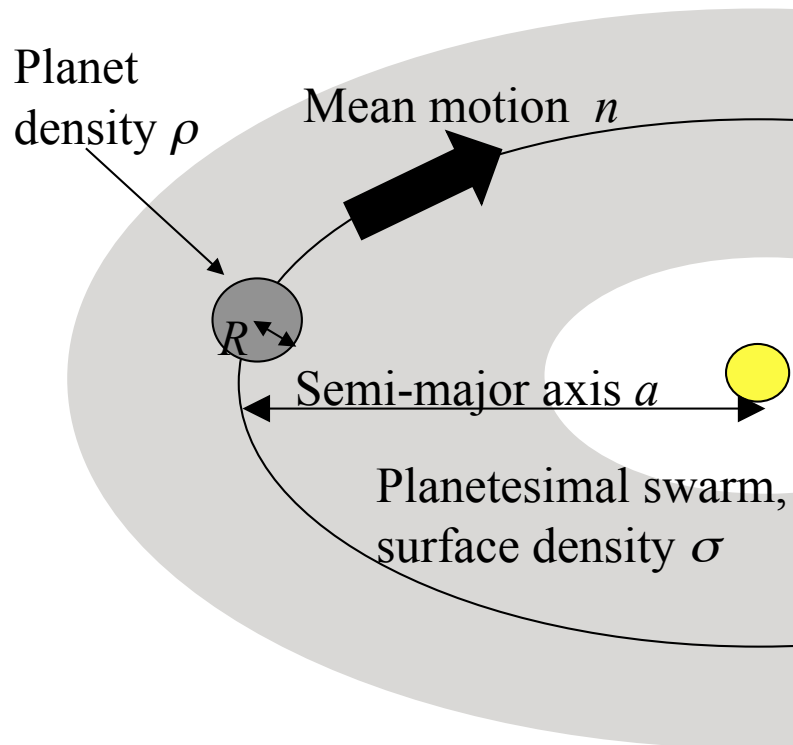
$$\theta = \frac{v_{esc}^2}{v_{rel}^2}$$

$\theta \gg 1$ : Runaway

$$\frac{dM}{dt} \sim \frac{n \sigma G}{\rho^{1/3} v_{rel}^2} M^{4/3}$$

$\theta \ll 1$ : Oligarchic

$$\frac{dM}{dt} \sim \frac{n \sigma}{\rho^{2/3}} M^{2/3}$$



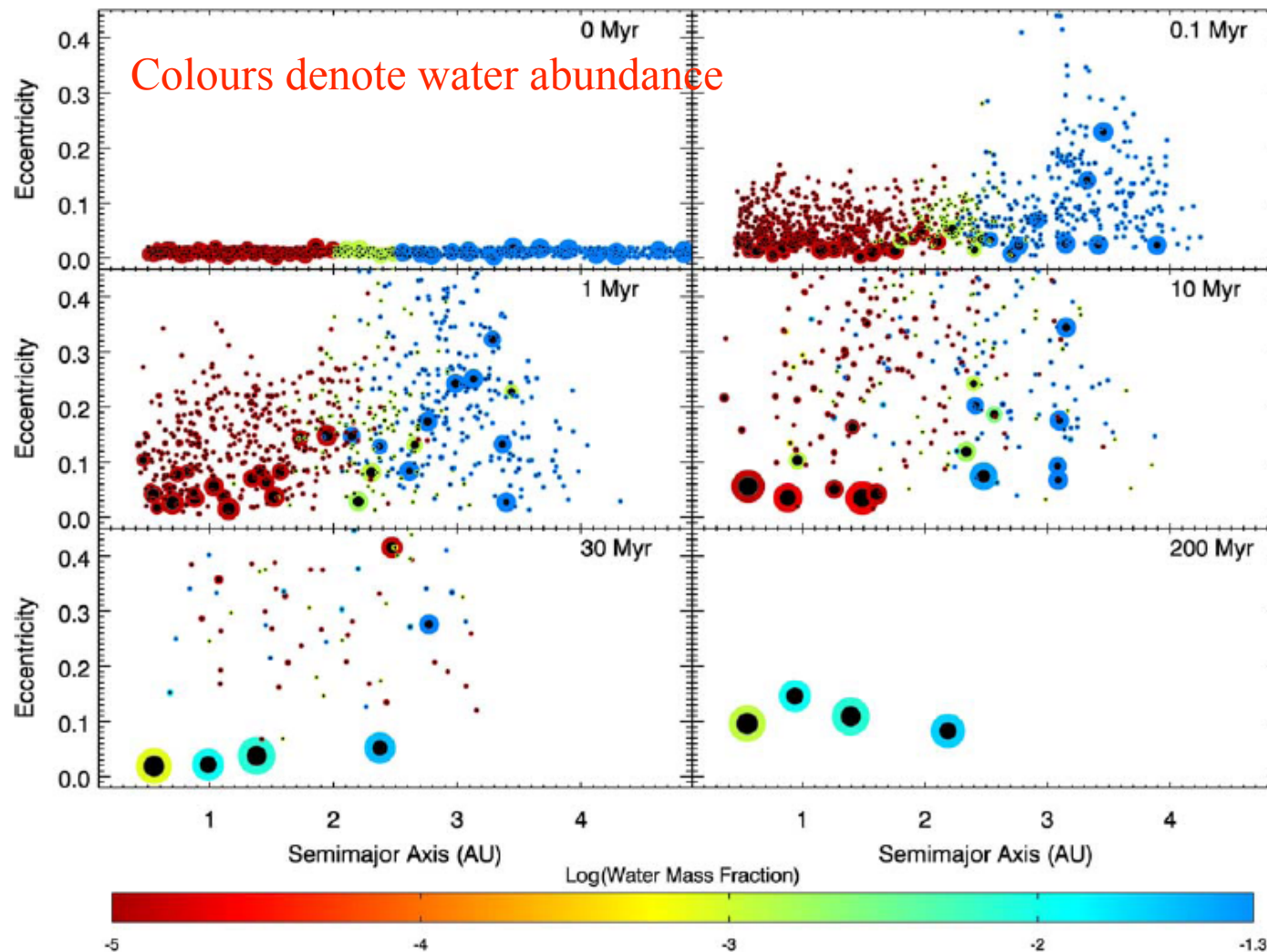
Accretion slows down once all material in a planet's **Hill Sphere**  $r_H$  has been accreted:

$$r_H \sim a \left( M / M_{star} \right)^{1/3}$$

# Warning!

- Our Solar System does *not* resemble many other planetary systems – high eccentricities & inclinations, “hot Jupiters” etc.
- Intuition developed by studying accretion of our (dynamically “cold”) Solar System may not apply to other planetary systems

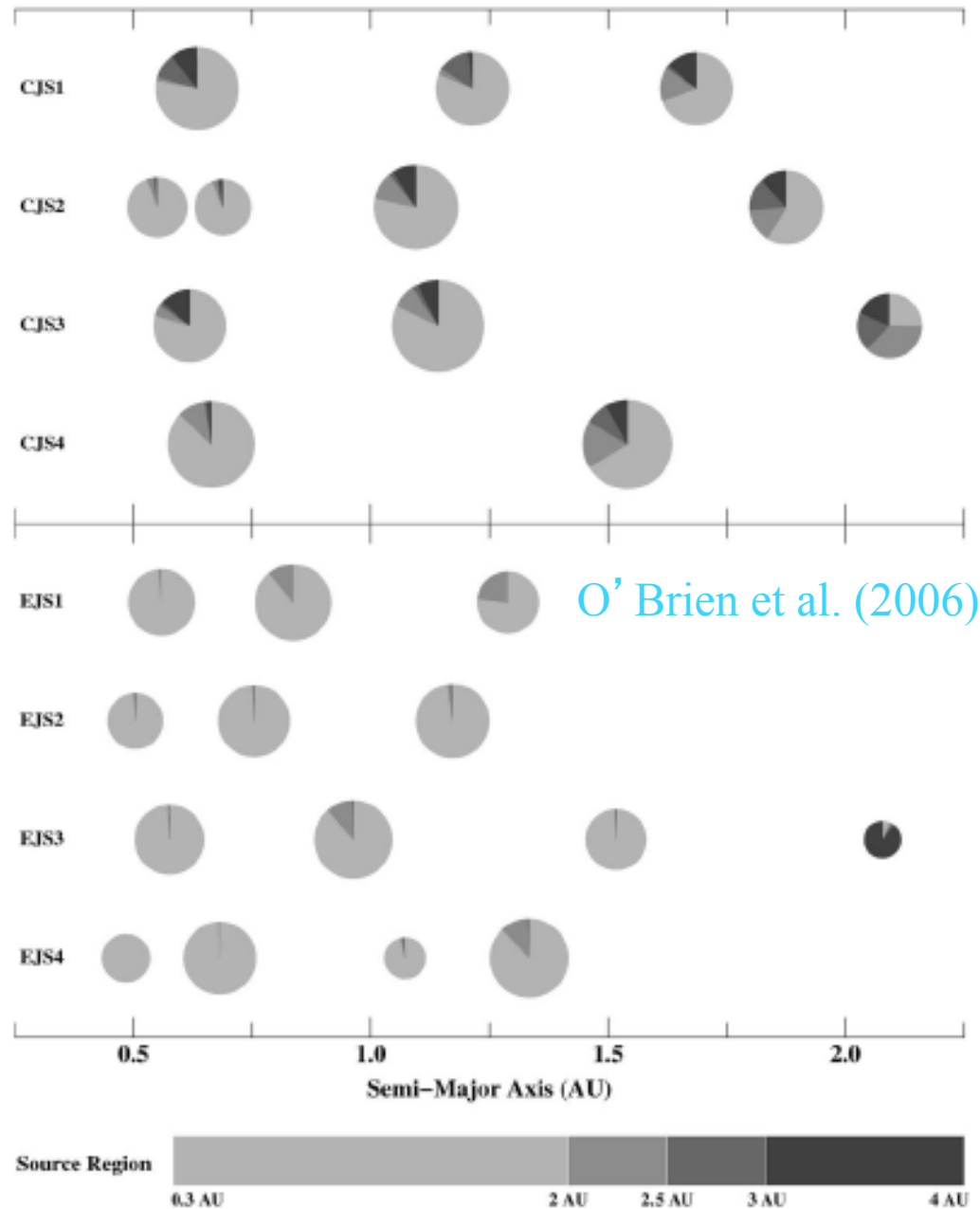
# Late-stage Accretion



Raymond et al.  
2006

- Volatiles arrive late – change in oxidation state?
- Chem. evidence ([Schonbachler et al. 2010](#), [Rubie et al. 2011](#))

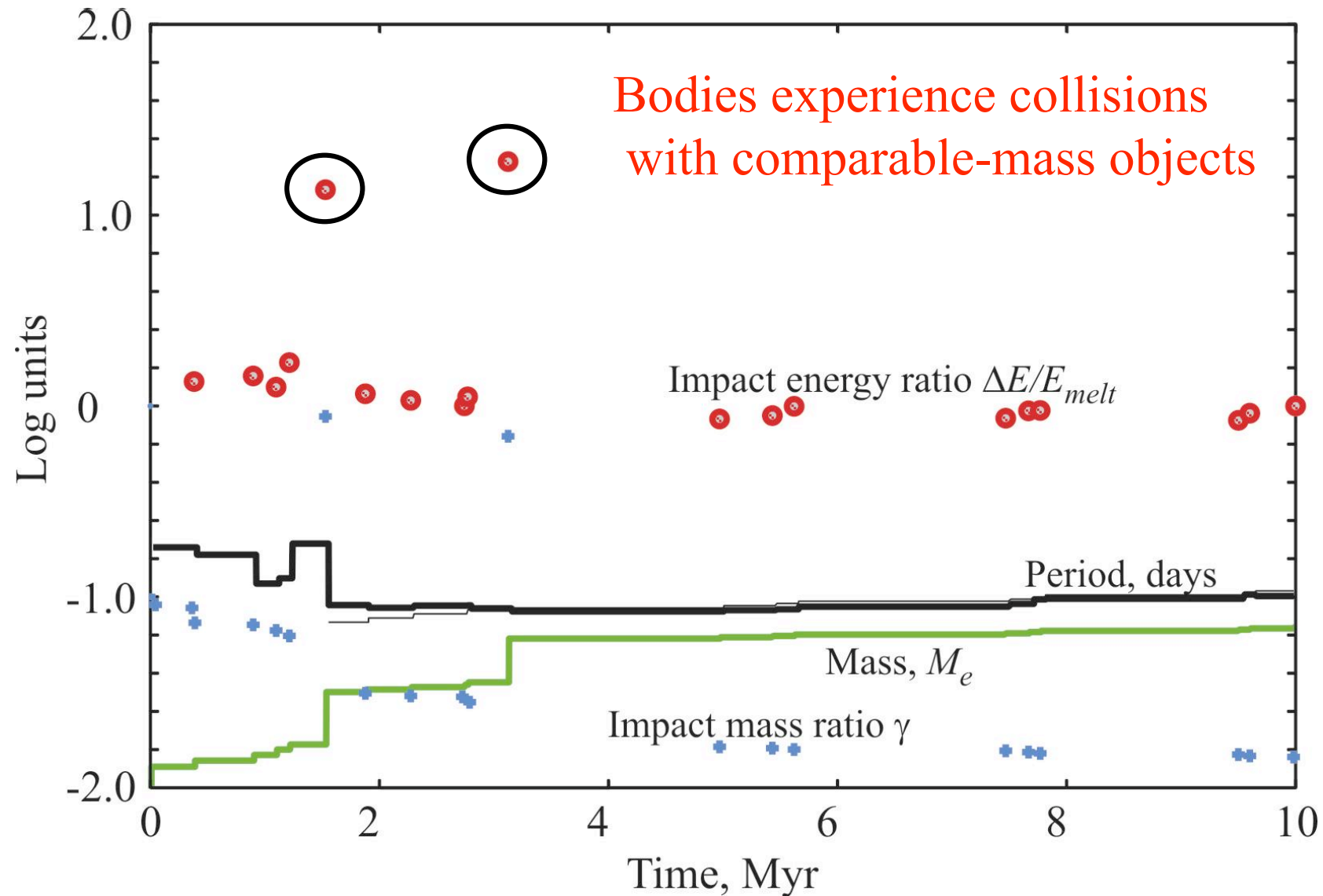
Location and Composition of Final Terrestrial Planets  
(Contributions of Material from All Regions)



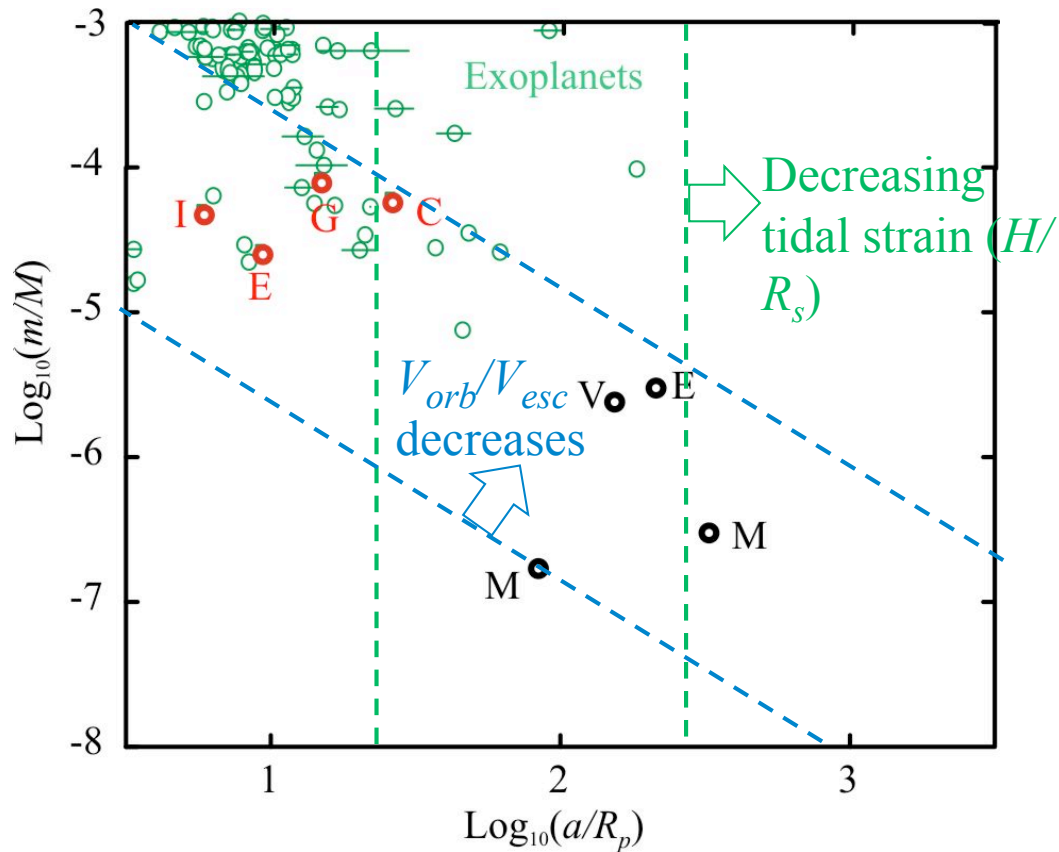
## Ensemble Outcomes

- Stochastic process – diversity
- Some radial mixing
- Close-by gas giants can have a significant effect (e.g. asteroid belt)
- *Last, largest* impacts dominate

# Individual Growth History



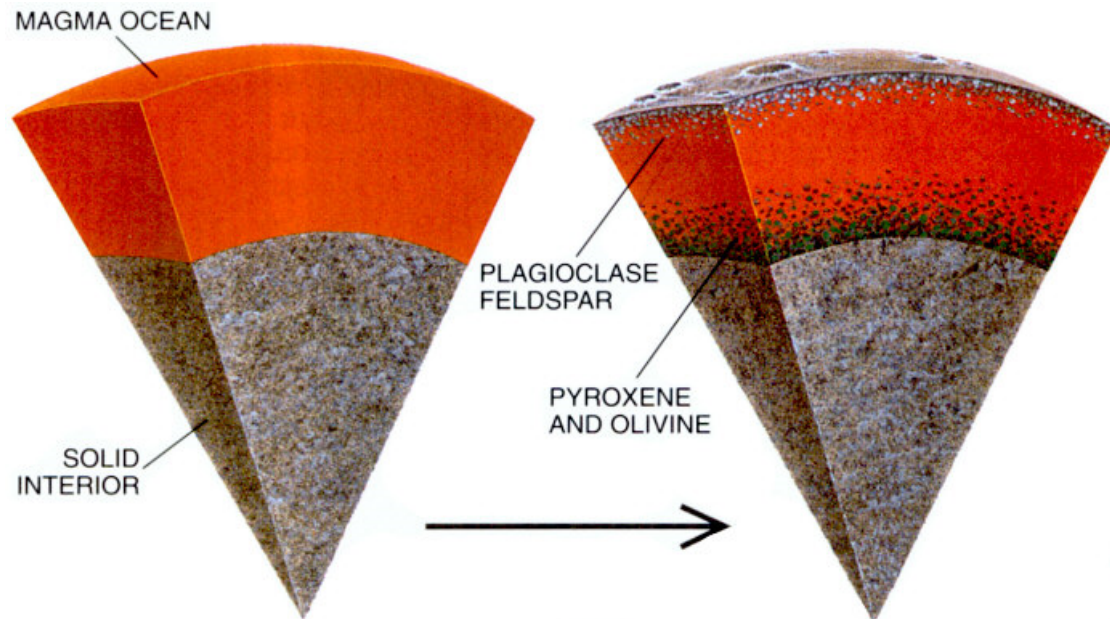
# Planet vs. Satellite Accretion



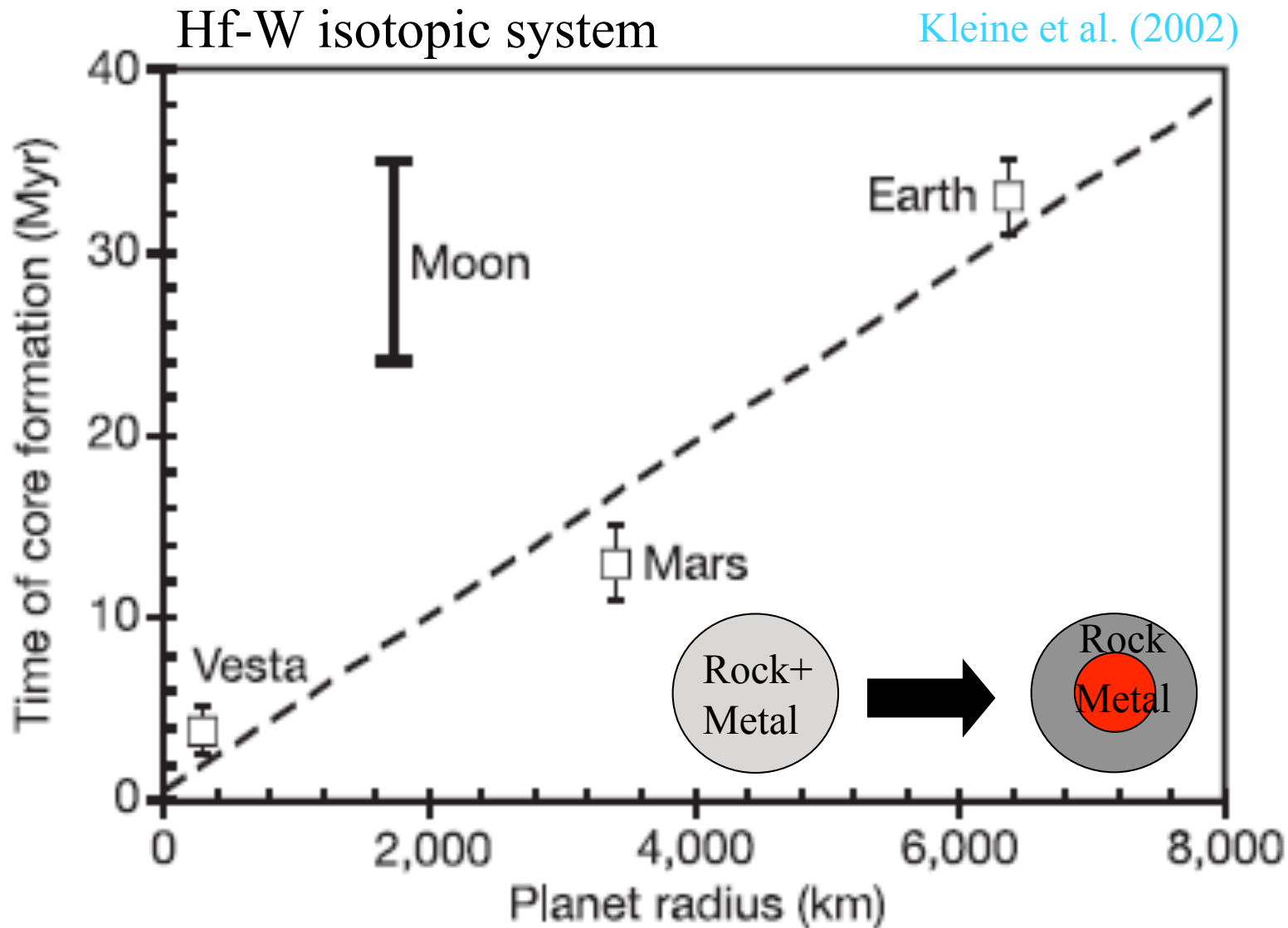
- Satellites experience larger tides
- Impact velocities are comparable to planets
- Satellites require larger total surface densities (but not all material present at same time)

# Consequences of Accretion

- Large amounts of energy delivered for bodies greater than ~ Mars-size (see below)
- Initially homogeneous body **differentiates** into core plus mantle
- **Magma oceans** develop, leading to further differentiation (e.g. lunar plagioclase crust)



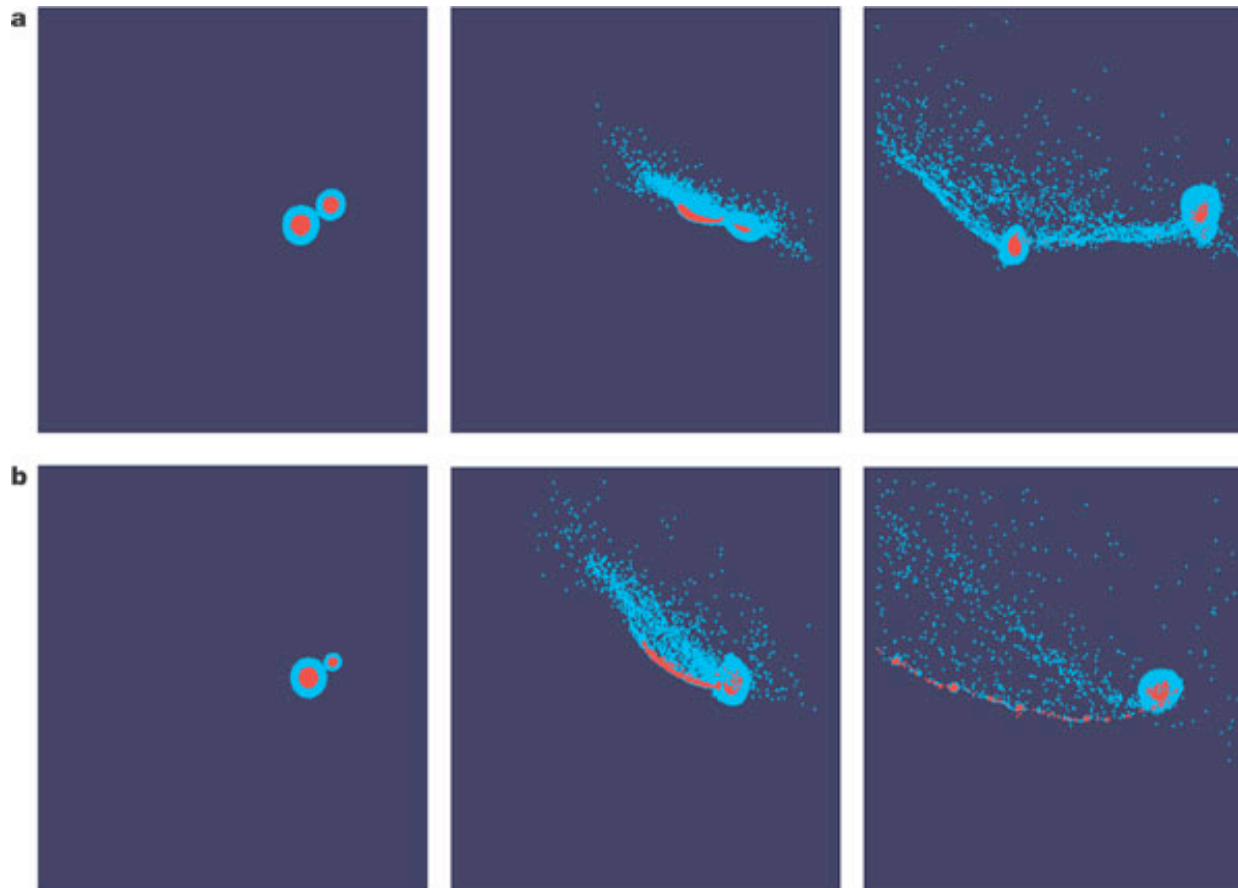
# Core formation chronometry





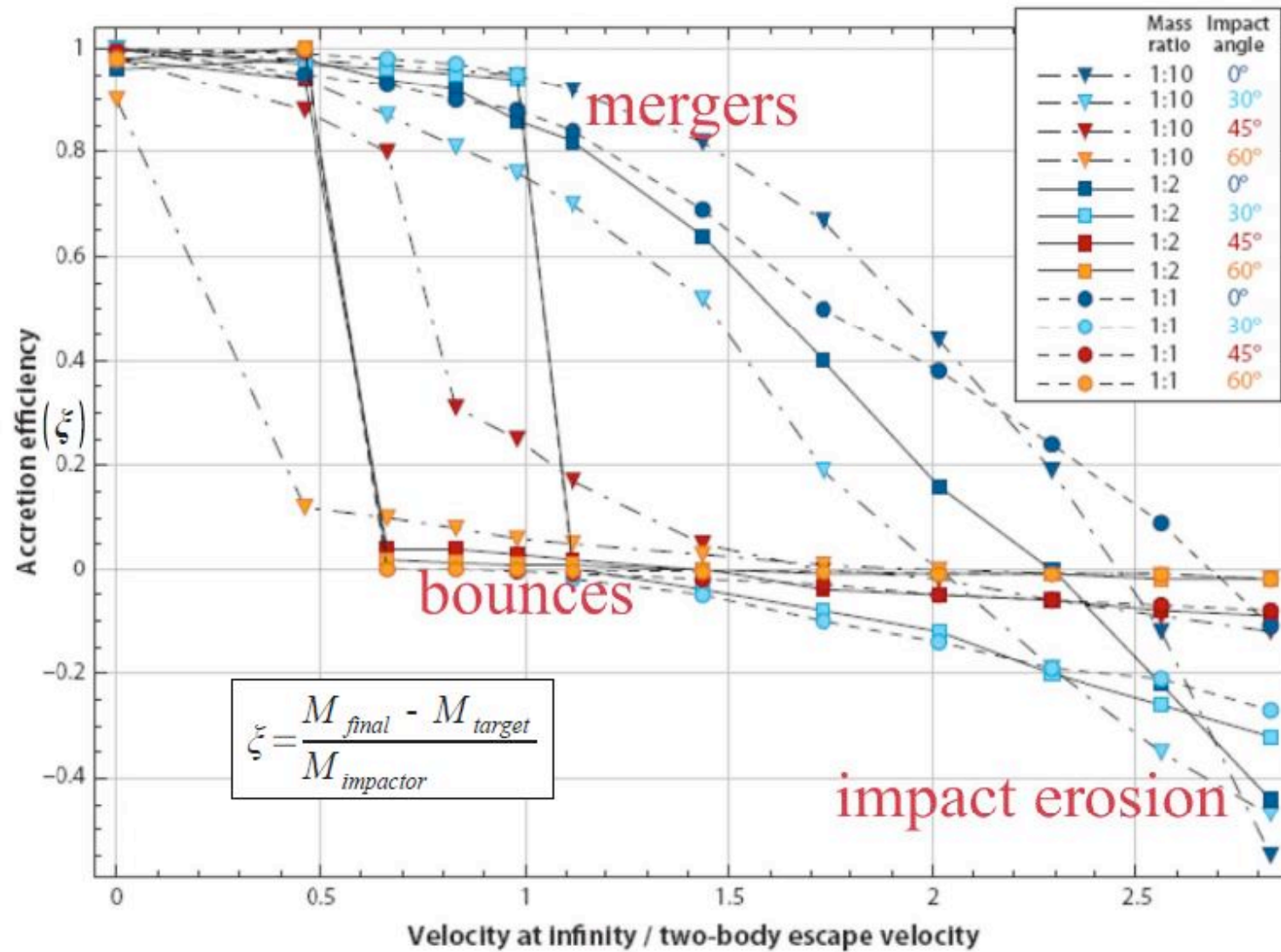
# 1. Bulk Composition

- Accretion is *not* 100% efficient!
- Examples: Earth/Moon, Mercury, asteroids . . .
- Chemical evidence? (non-chondritic Earth)



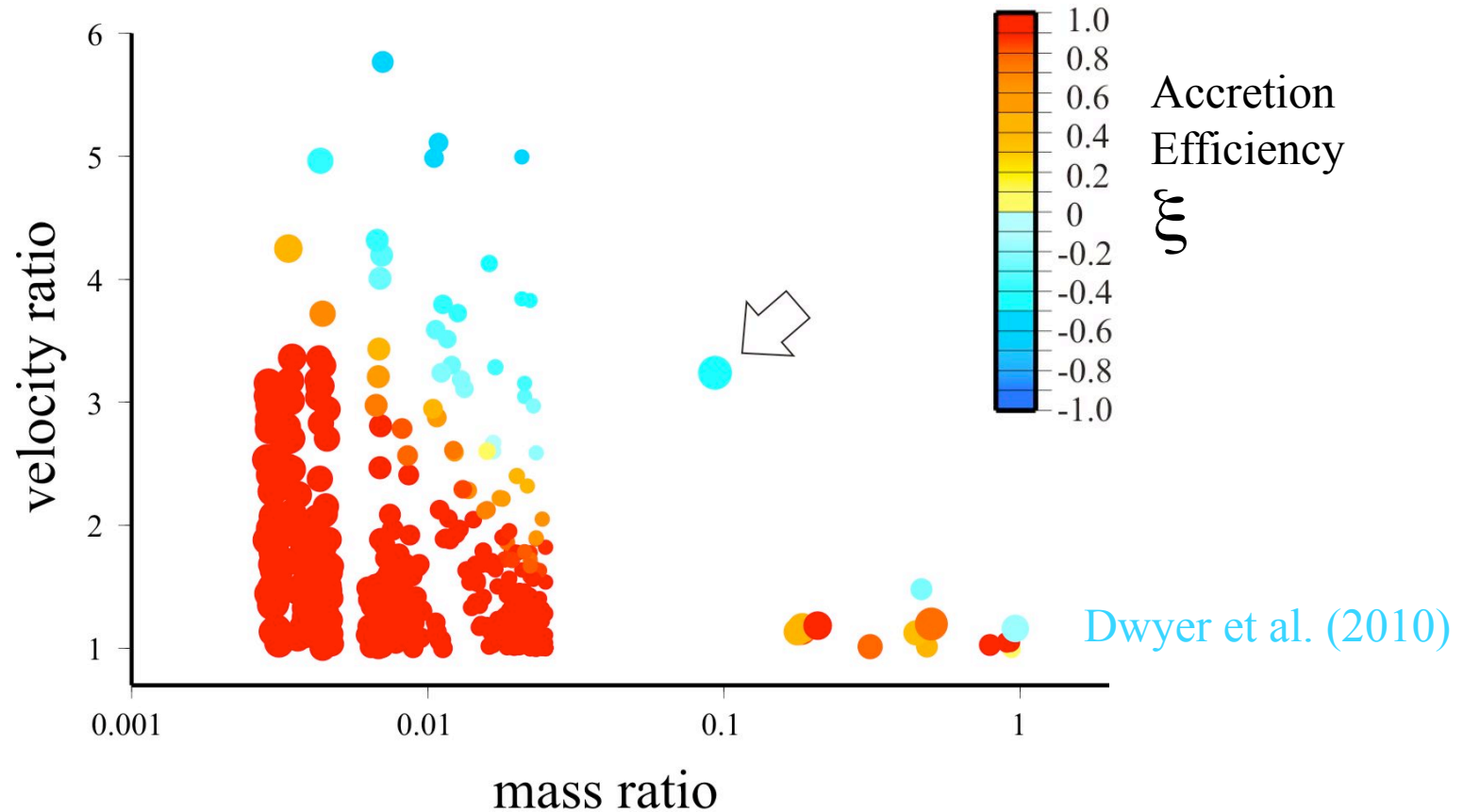
Asphaug et al. (2006)

# Diverse Outcomes



Asphaug (2009)

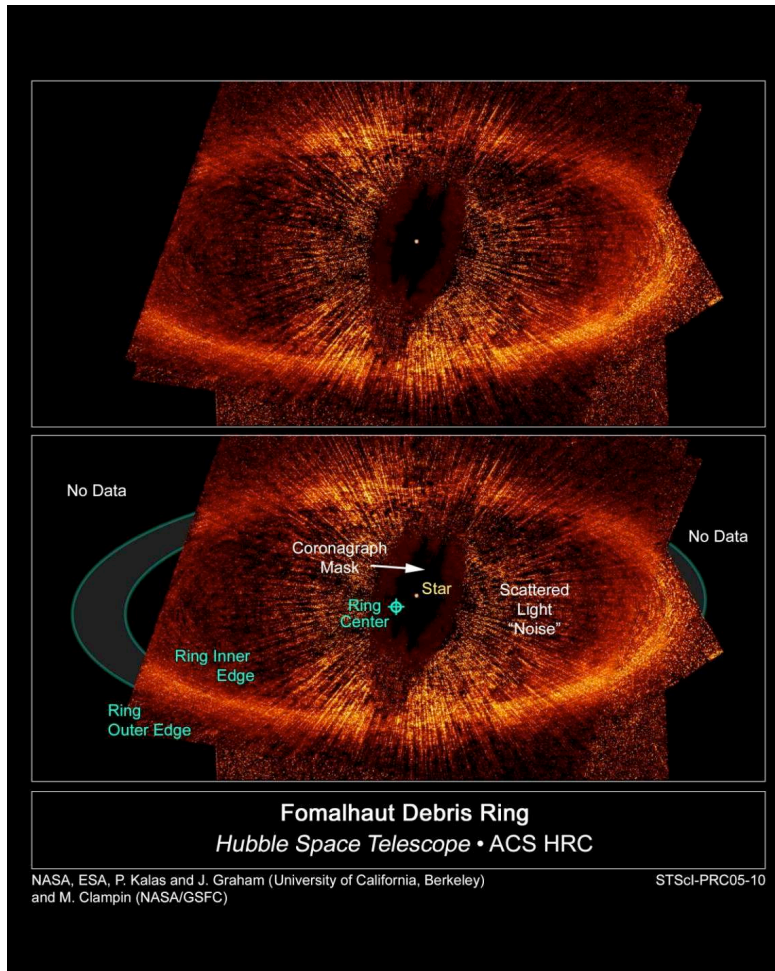
# Not all impacts add mass



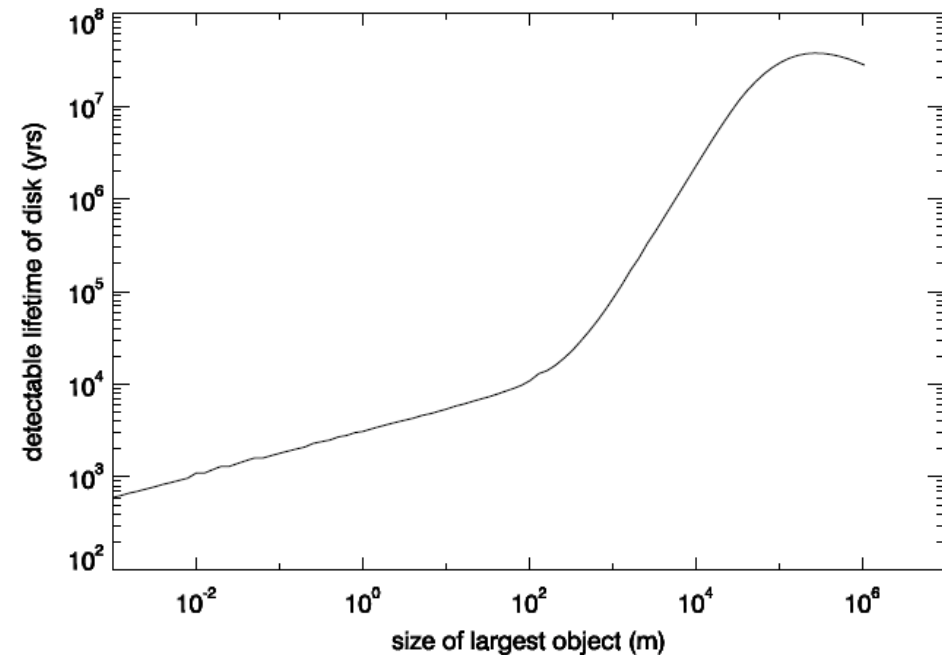
- Can generate oddball outcomes (e.g. Mercury)

# Debris Disks

- Are some debris disks the result of recent impacts?

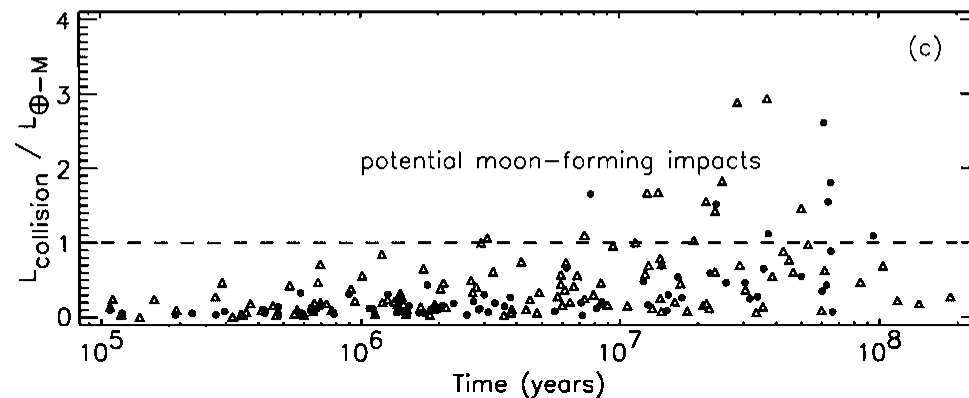
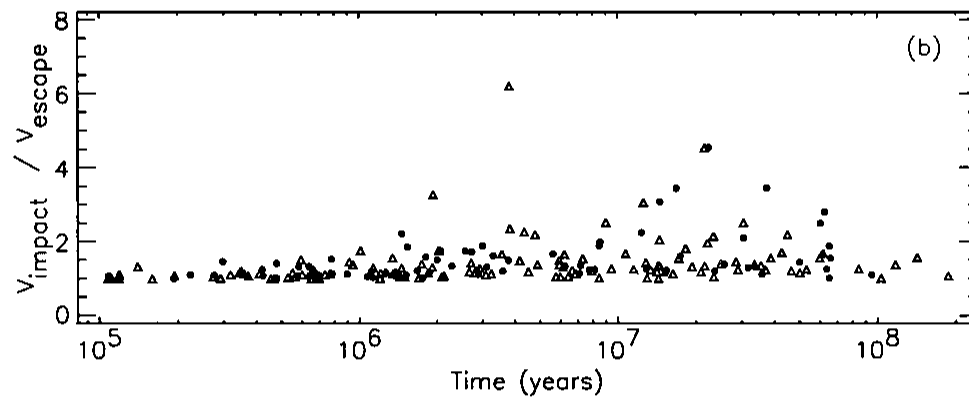
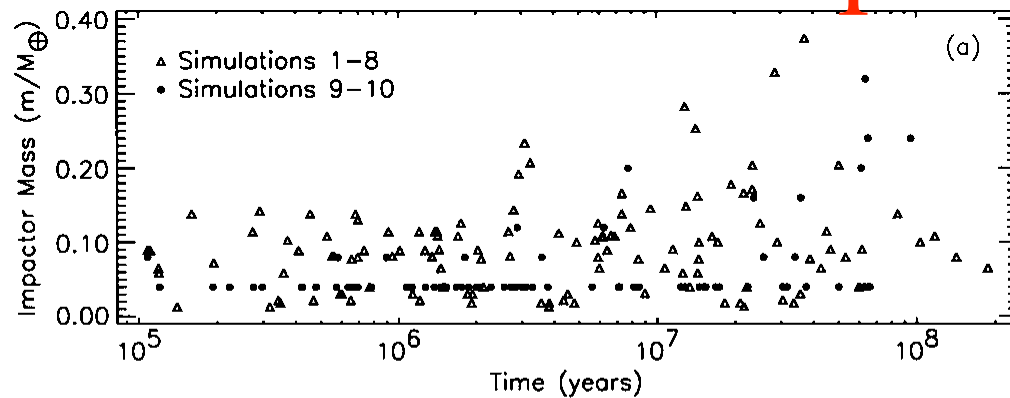


Jackson & Wyatt (2012)



## 2. Spin/Orbit

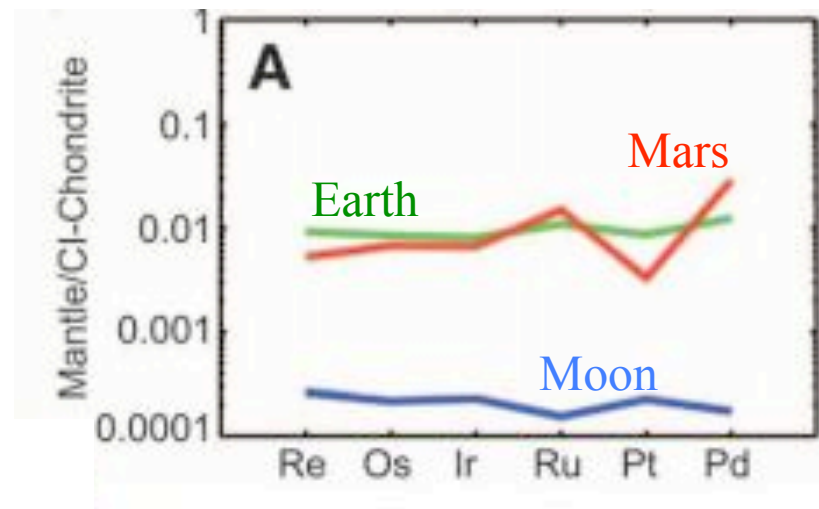
Agnor et al. (1999)



- Spin *rate* close to break-up (on average)
- Spin *orientation* close to random (Uranus?)
- Are these results due to simplified models?
- Tides can modify subsequently (see below)
- Eccentricities/inclinations can be perturbed (but larger angular momentum budget)

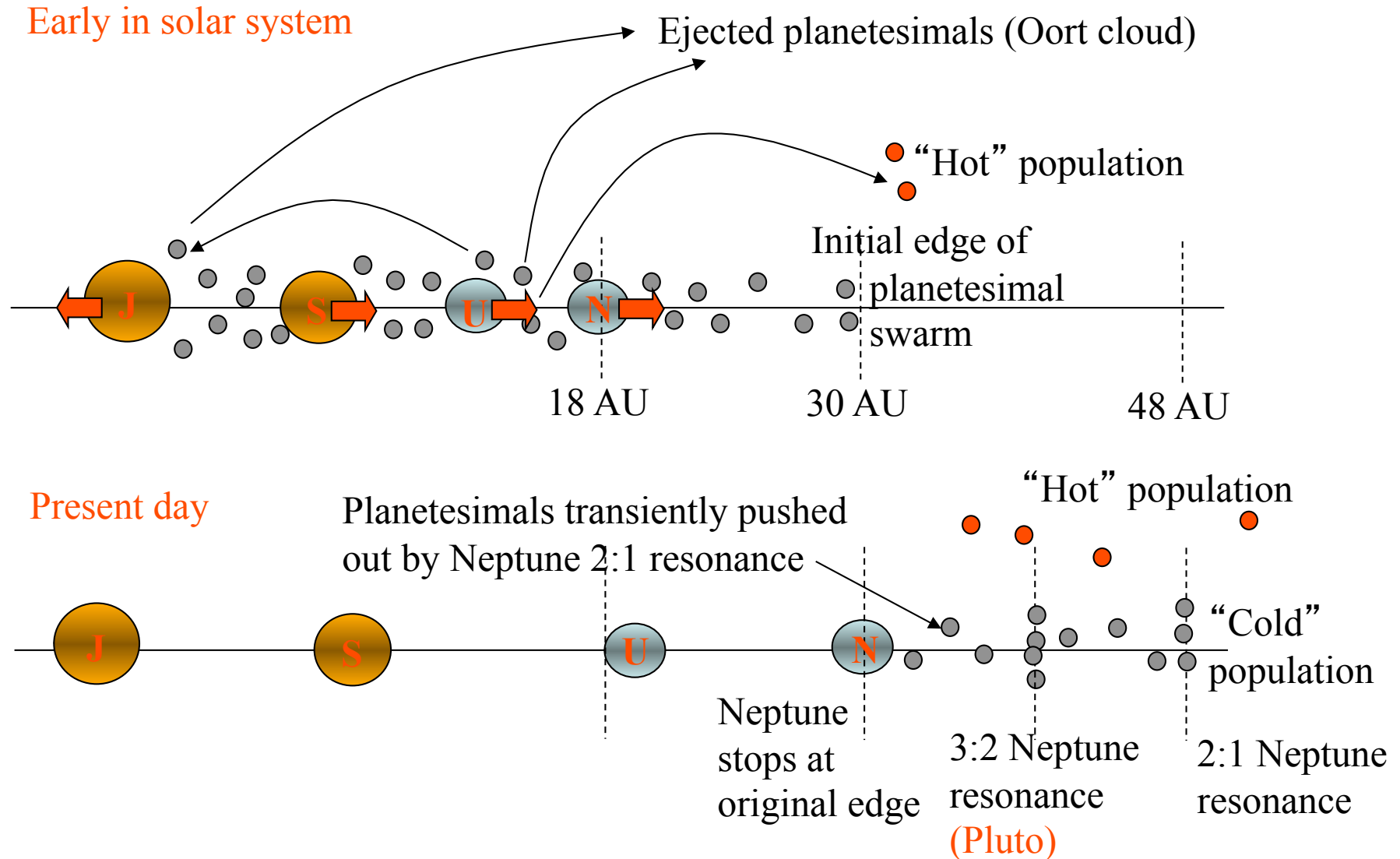
# 3. Waning Accretion

- Earth suffered declining impact flux:
  - Moon-forming impact ( $\sim 10\% M_E$ ,  $\sim 4.4$  Ga)
  - “Late veneer” ( $\sim 1\% M_E$ , 4.4-3.9 Ga)
  - “Late Heavy Bombardment” ( $0.001\% M_E$ , 3.9 Ga)
- The LHB may have represented a “spike” due to reorganization of gas giant orbits (“Nice model”)
- Consequences for volatiles unclear – addition or blowoff?



Bottke et al. 2010

# Nice Model



See [Gomes et al., Nature 2005](#)

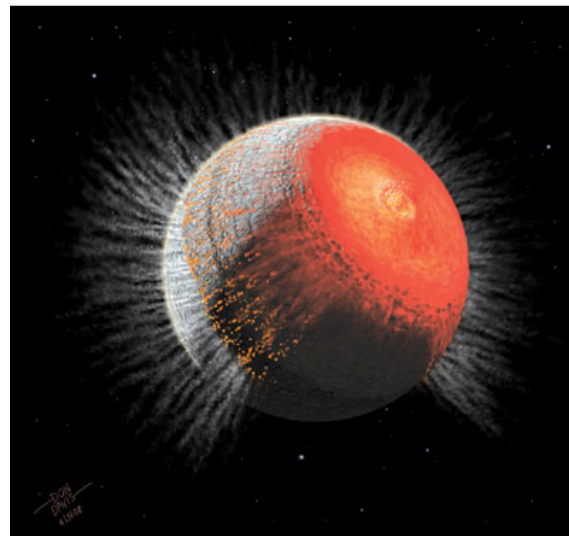
# Part I (Accretion) - Summary

- Late-stage planetary growth involves collisions between like-size objects
- Collisions are stochastic events - diversity
- Accretion is *not* 100% efficient (though it is usually modelled as such)
- Geochemical constraints on growth process exist
- The *last, large* impact determines the initial boundary conditions



# Part II – Heat Sources

- Why are heat sources important?:
  - High temperatures cause observable effects (differentiation, melting, dynamos etc.)
  - Initial heating can influence long-term evolution
  - Long-term (Gyr) evolution controlled by balance between heat sources and heat loss



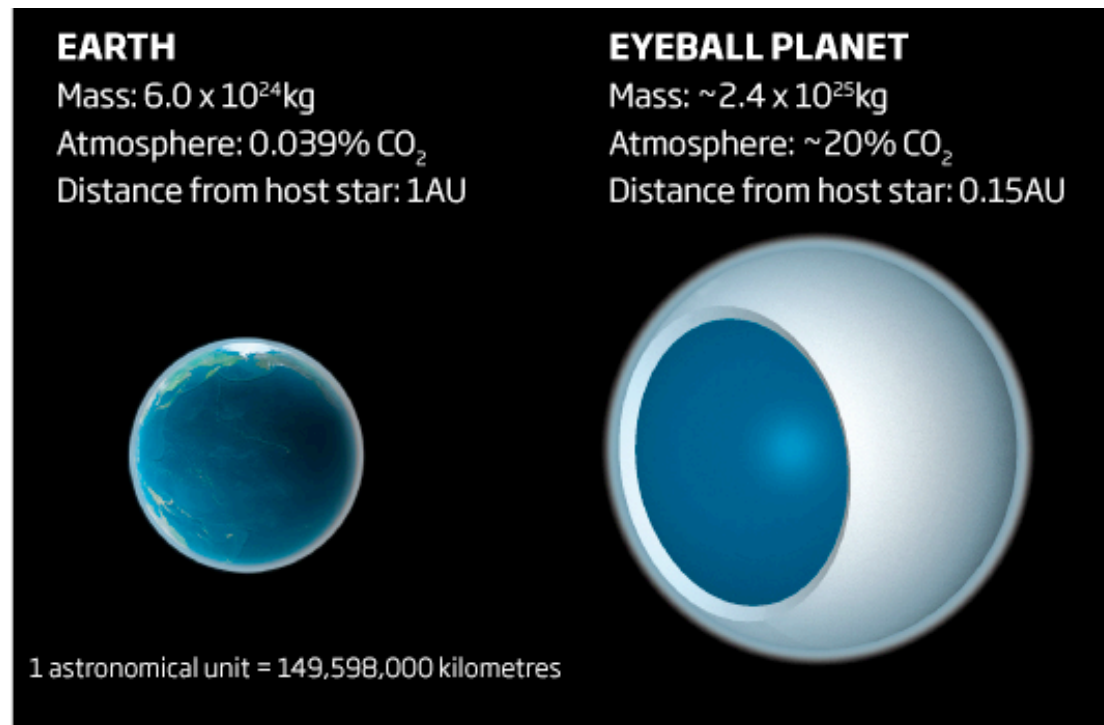
# Topics

- 1. Insolation
- 2. Radioactive decay
- 3. Gravitational energy (impacts)
- 4. Tides (see below)
- 5. Induction heating (not covered)

Resources: Rubie et al., *Treatise Geophys.*, 2007

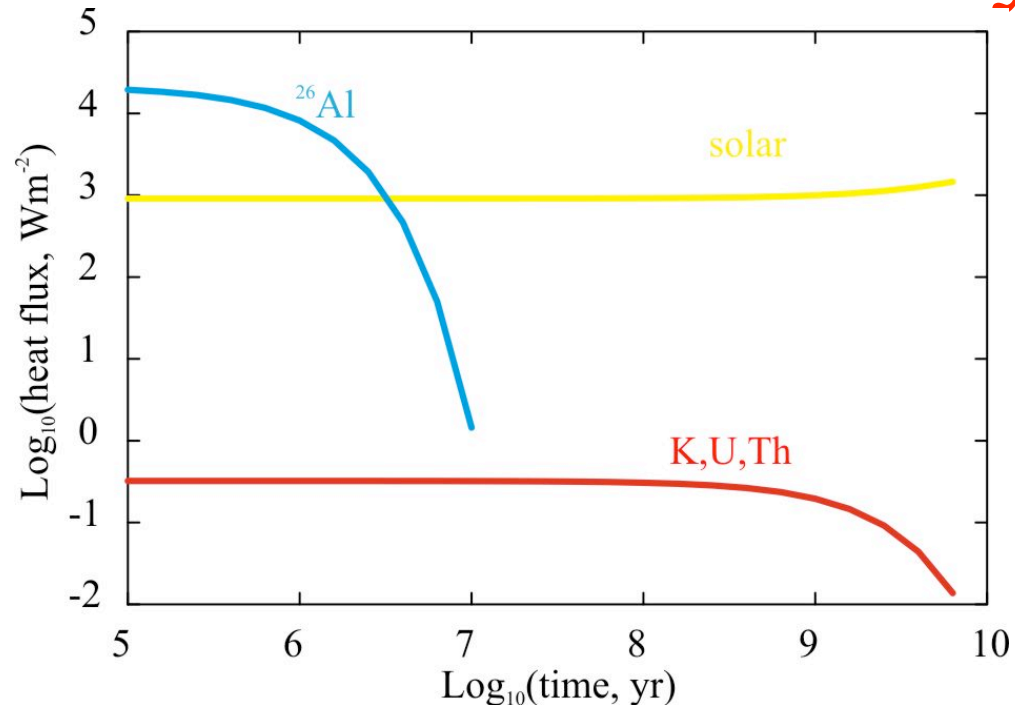
# 1. Insolation

- Determines surface temperature
- Greenhouse effect, runaways (Venus)
- Lava-ocean planets & “Eyeball Earths”



Pierrehumbert  
(2011) and Leger  
et al. (2011)

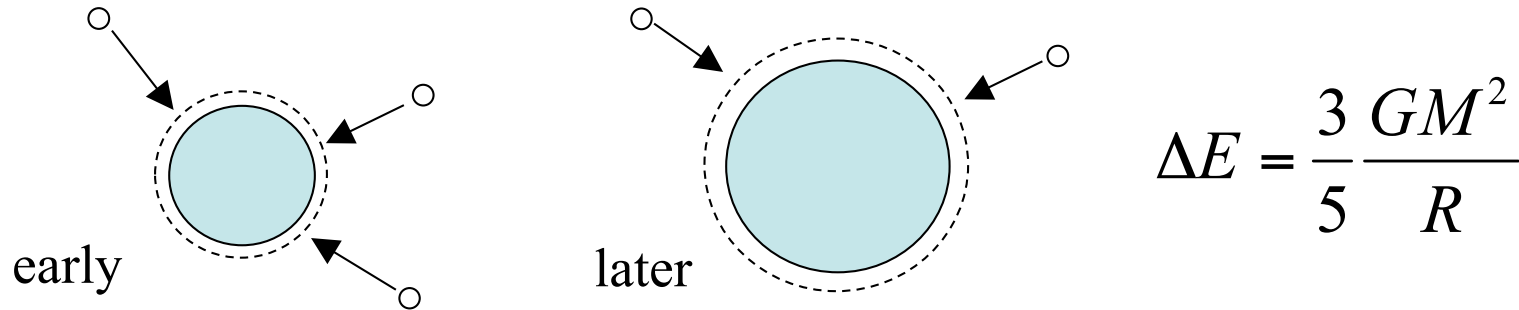
## 2. Radioactive decay



- <sup>26</sup>Al decay ( $t_{1/2}=0.7$  Myr) is *extremely* energetic
- Planet growth time relative to <sup>26</sup>Al decay time matters
- <sup>26</sup>Al was definitely present when some asteroids (and perhaps Mars) formed and melted
- K,U,Th provide main long-lived (Gyr) energy source

# 3. Accretion

- “Onion-shell model”, assuming no radiative losses



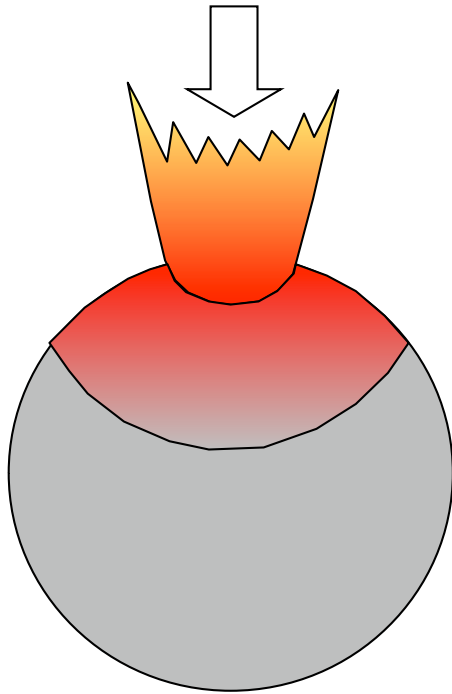
$$\Delta E = \frac{3}{5} \frac{GM^2}{R}$$

$$\Delta T \approx \frac{GM^{2/3} \rho^{1/3}}{C_p} \approx 40,000 \text{ K} \left( \frac{M}{M_E} \right)^{2/3}$$

- CAVEATS!:
- For slow accretion and small impactors, radiation may be important
- Impacts are large, discrete and stochastic, not continuous and small
- Spatial heterogeneity may be important

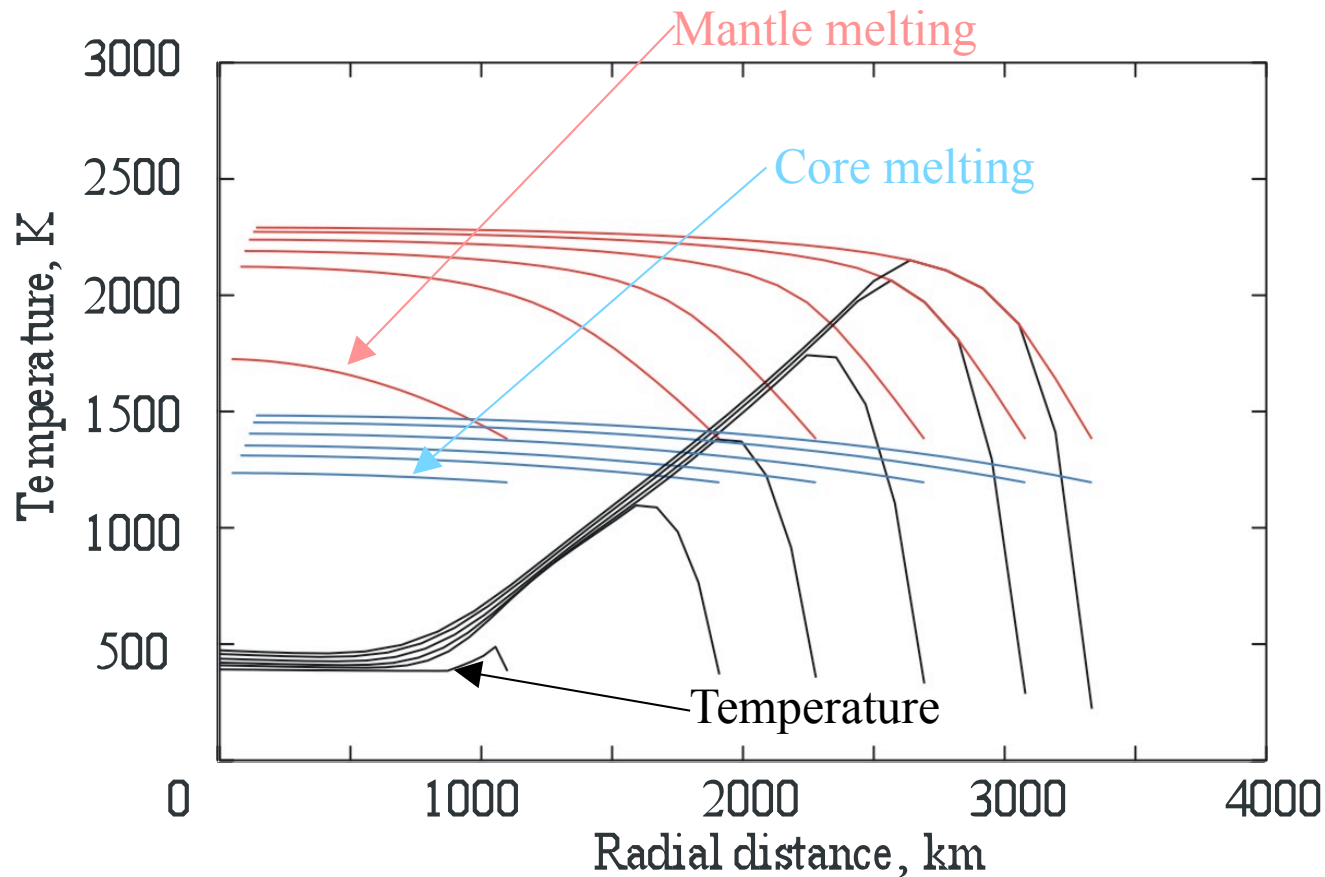
None the less, Earth-mass bodies almost certainly started life *molten*

# Impacts



- “Small” impacts (very roughly  $< 1\%$  of target mass) cause local heating
- “Large” impacts have global effects
- *Size spectrum* of impactors is very important

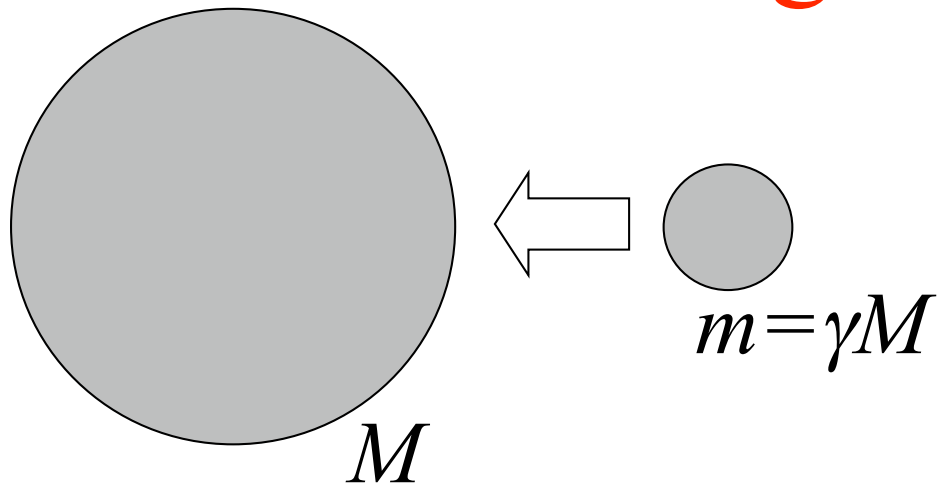
# “Small” Impacts



Method of  
Squyres et al.  
(1988)

- Temperatures highest near surface
- Melting only at shallow depths for Mars-sized object
- Accretion entirely from small bodies makes *cold* bodies

# “Big” Impacts



- Accretion involves collisions between comparable-mass objects
- Assume all energy deposited into interior

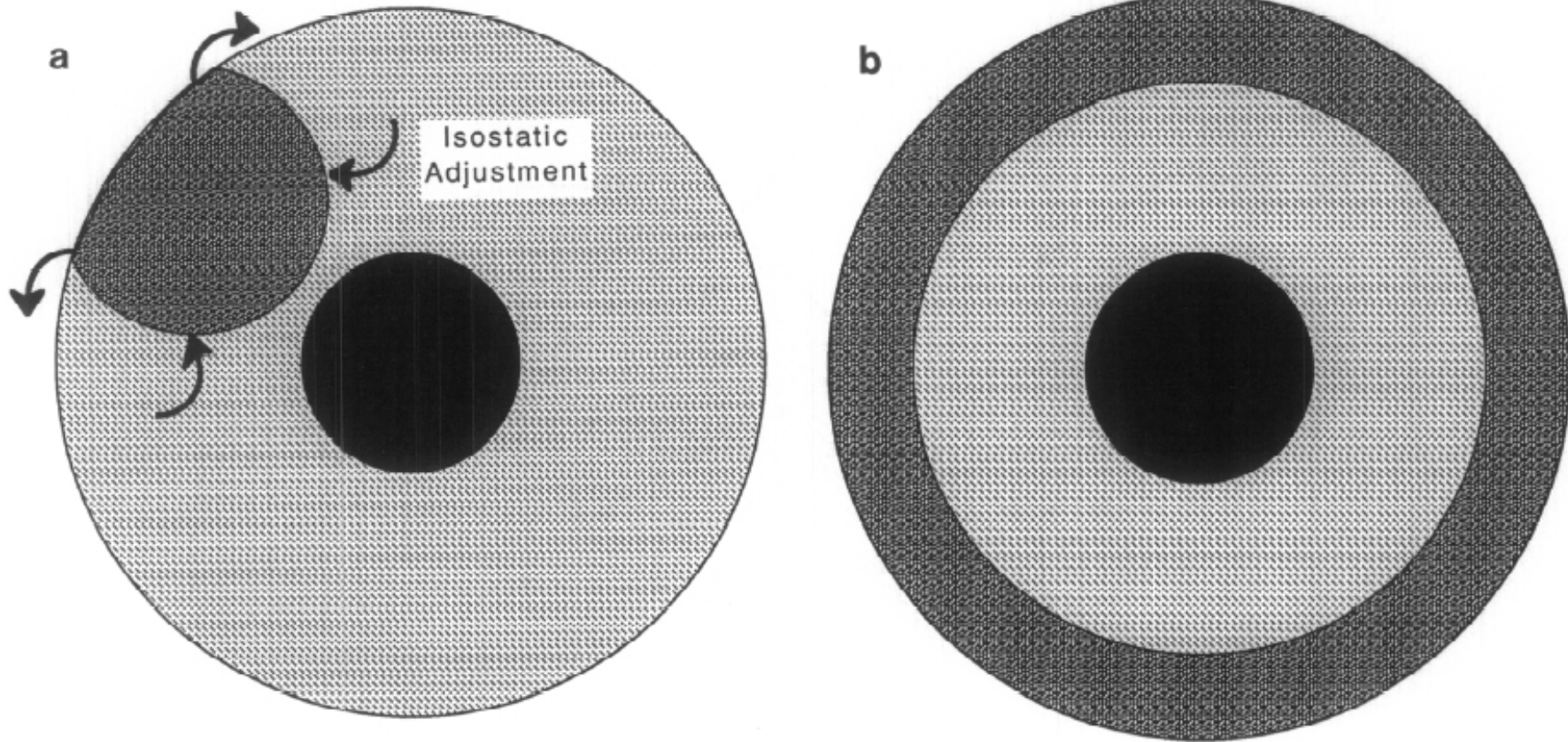
$$\Delta T \approx 6,000 \text{ K} \left( \frac{\gamma}{0.1} \right) \left( \frac{M}{M_E} \right)^{2/3}$$

Rubie et al. 2007

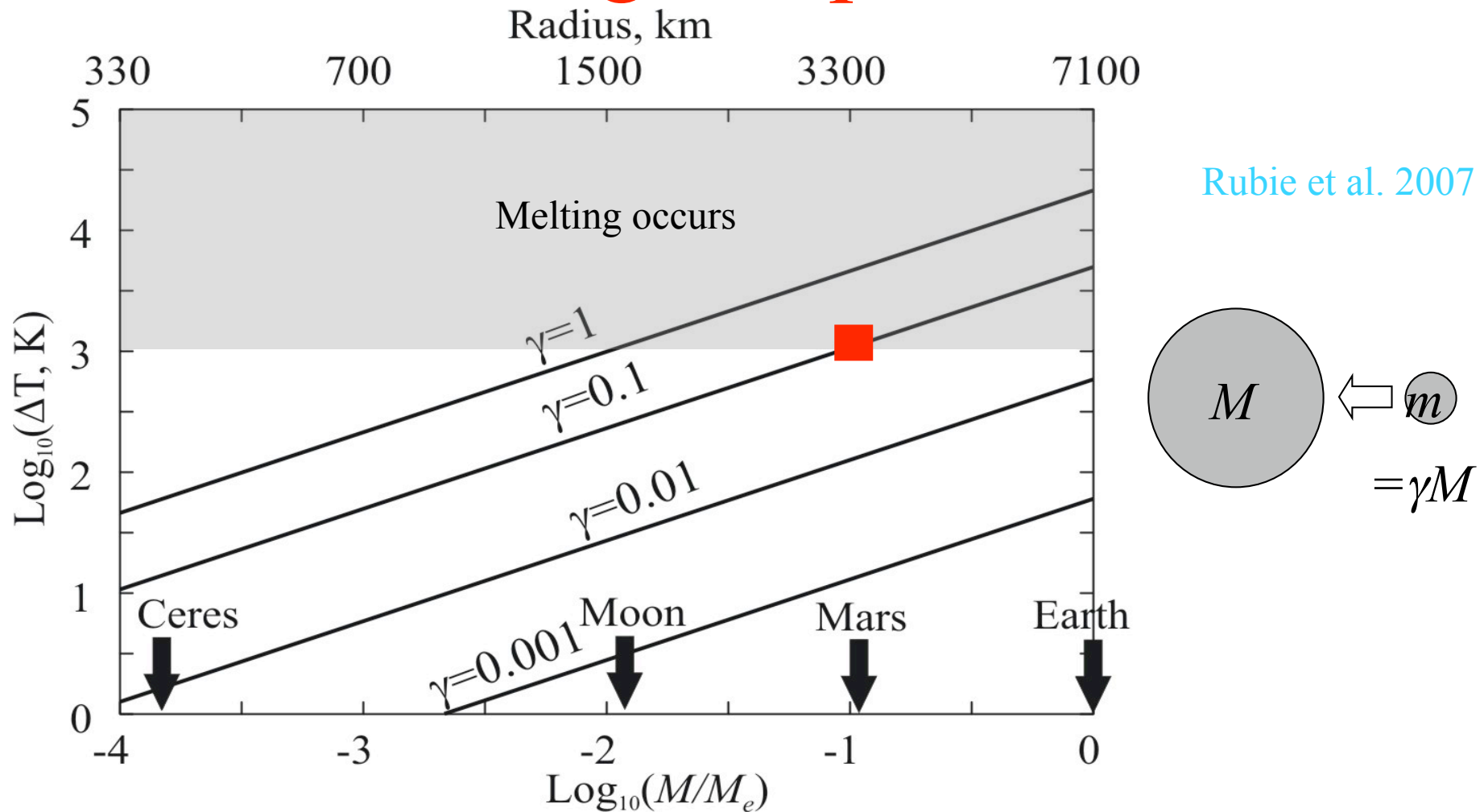
- This is *averaged* temperature increase
- Heating will in reality be (initially) spatially variable



# Magma “sea” readjustment

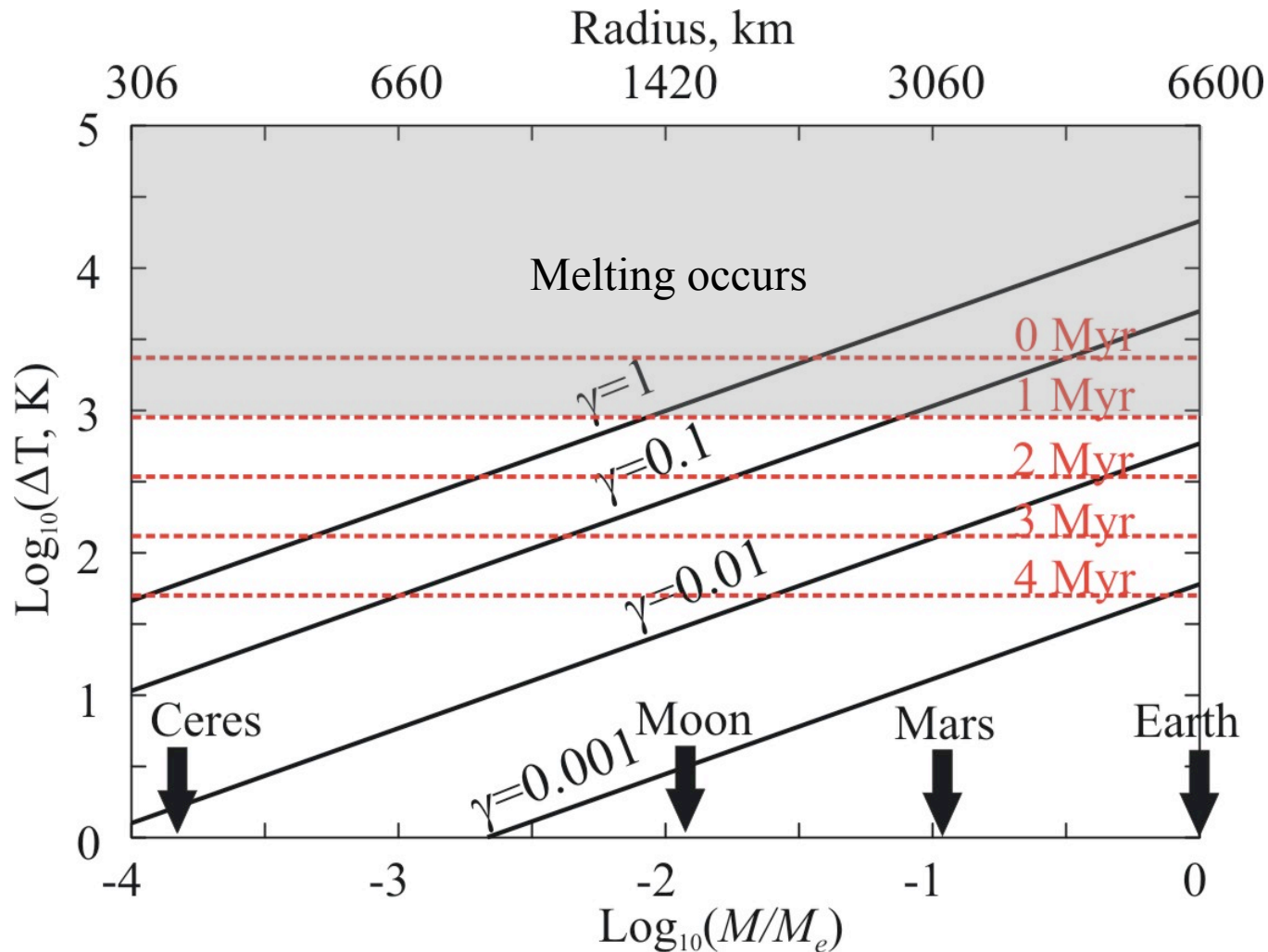


# “Big” Impacts



- Whether melting occurs depends on both  $M$  and  $\gamma$  – impactor **size spectrum** is important
- $0.1 M_E$  body suffering a single giant impact ( $\gamma=0.1$ ) will be *hot*

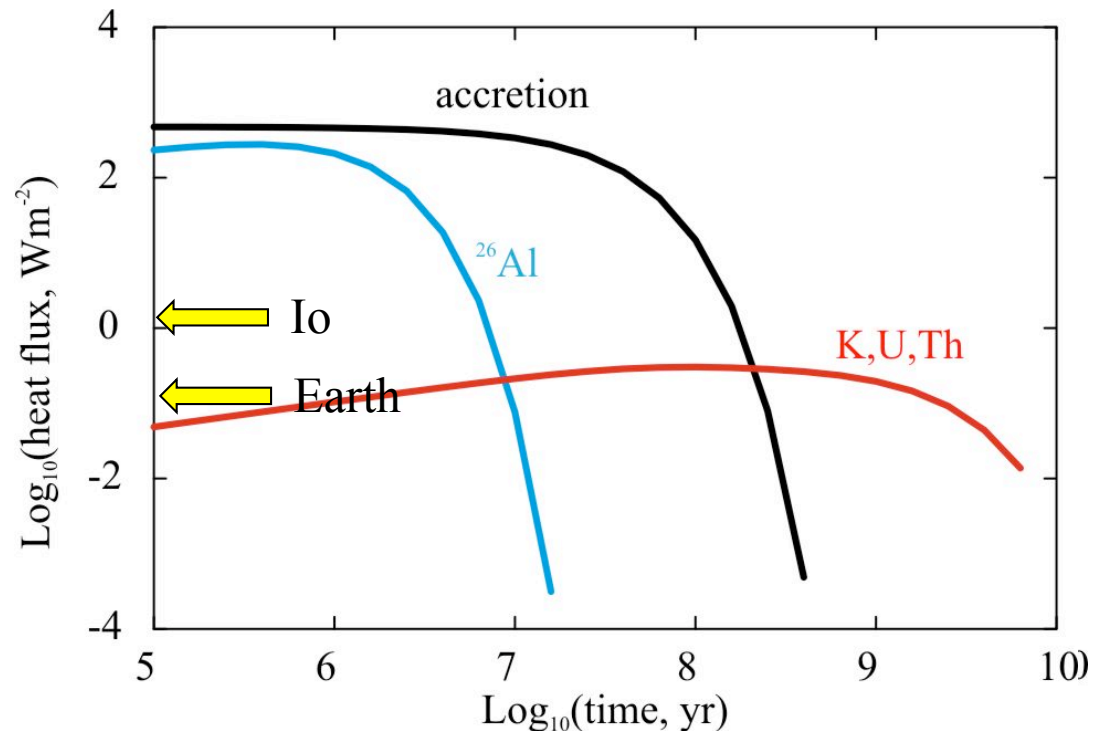
# Combined Effects



- Relative importance of impacts and radioactivity depends on body mass, impactor size and timescale
- Melting unavoidable for Earth-sized objects

# Evolution with time

$$\dot{E} \sim G\rho^{1/3} M^{2/3} \frac{dM}{dt}$$



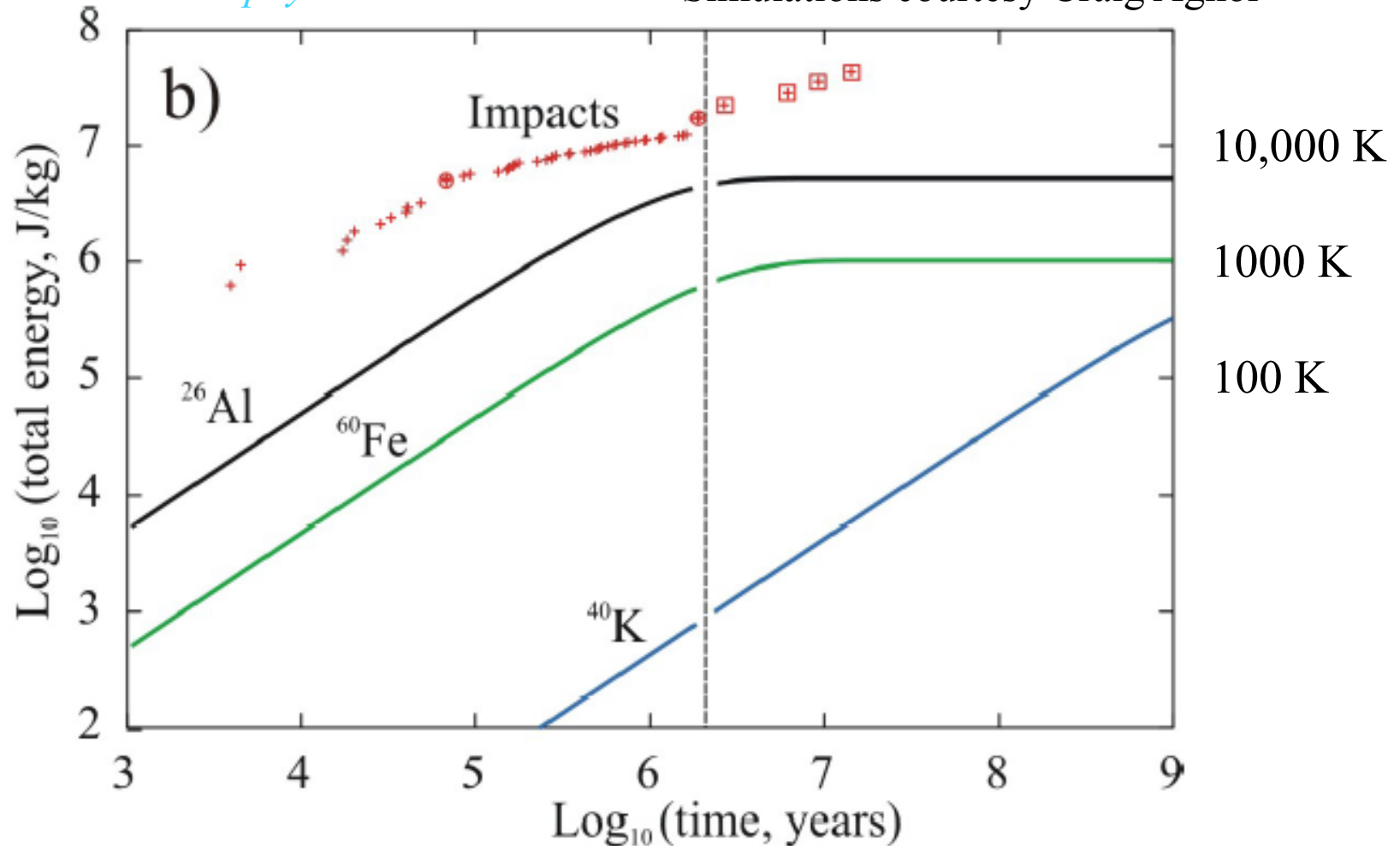
Accretion dominates for  $\sim 100$  Myr

Continuum approximation to discrete, stochastic, spatially variable process!

# N-body simulations

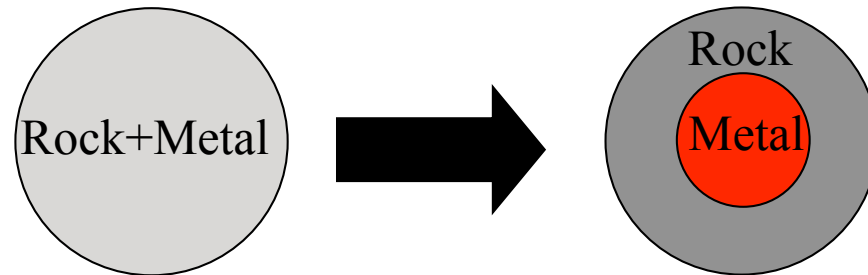
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Simulations courtesy Craig Agnor



- Gravity is the dominant heat source

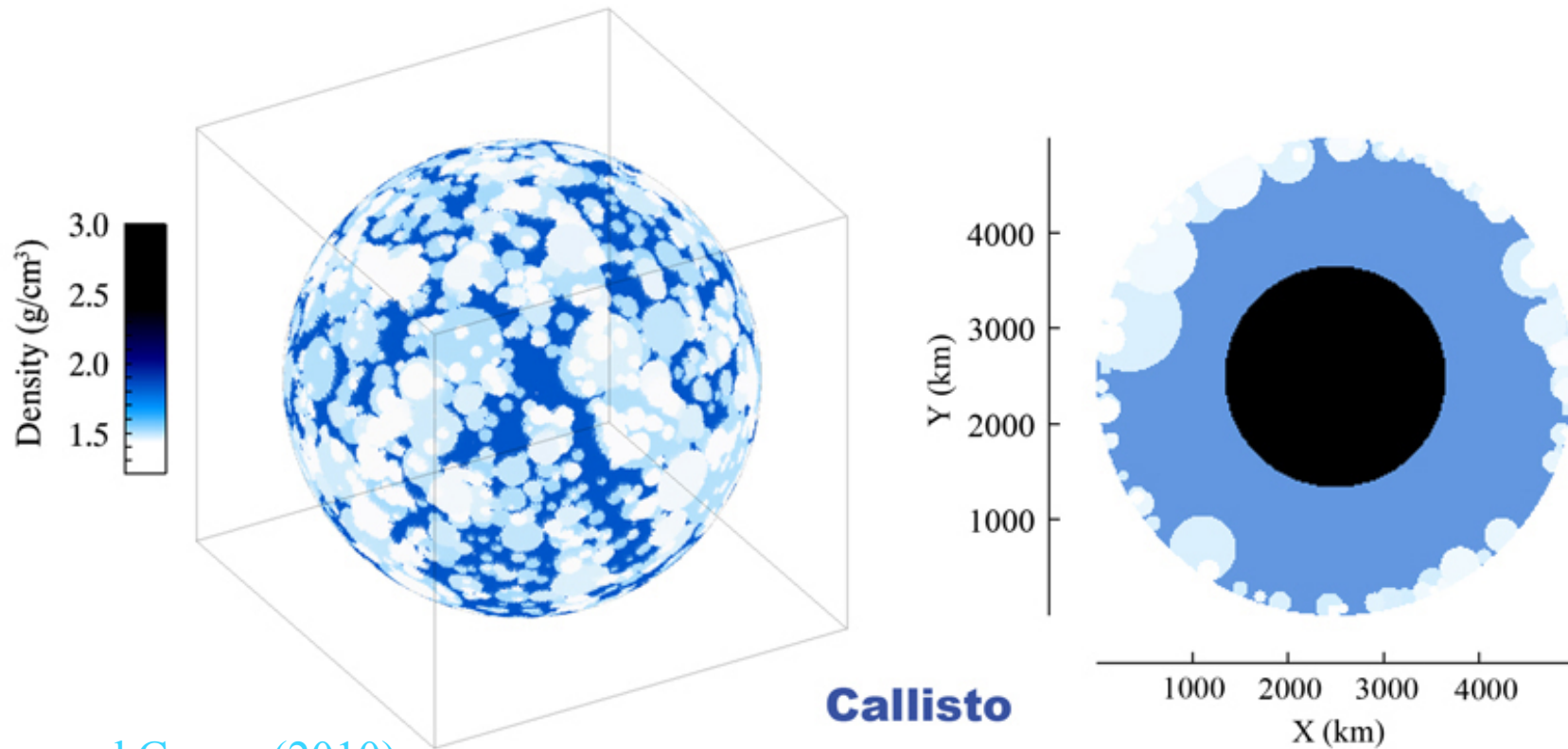
# Differentiation and Core Formation



- Differentiation occurs when temperatures get high enough for melting to occur
- Differentiation releases further potential energy
- Cores of Earth-size bodies start life hot (assuming rapid transport of core material)
- Hot cores are good for driving planetary dynamos (Earth, Mars, Mercury?)
- Differentiation leaves isotopic signatures (Hf/W)
- Similar arguments apply to rock/ice mixtures

# Incomplete differentiation (?)

- Titan (likely\*) and Callisto (possibly) have not completely differentiated – requires low  $T$
- This implies they were put together slowly, out of small objects – constraint on accretion process



Barr and Canup (2010)

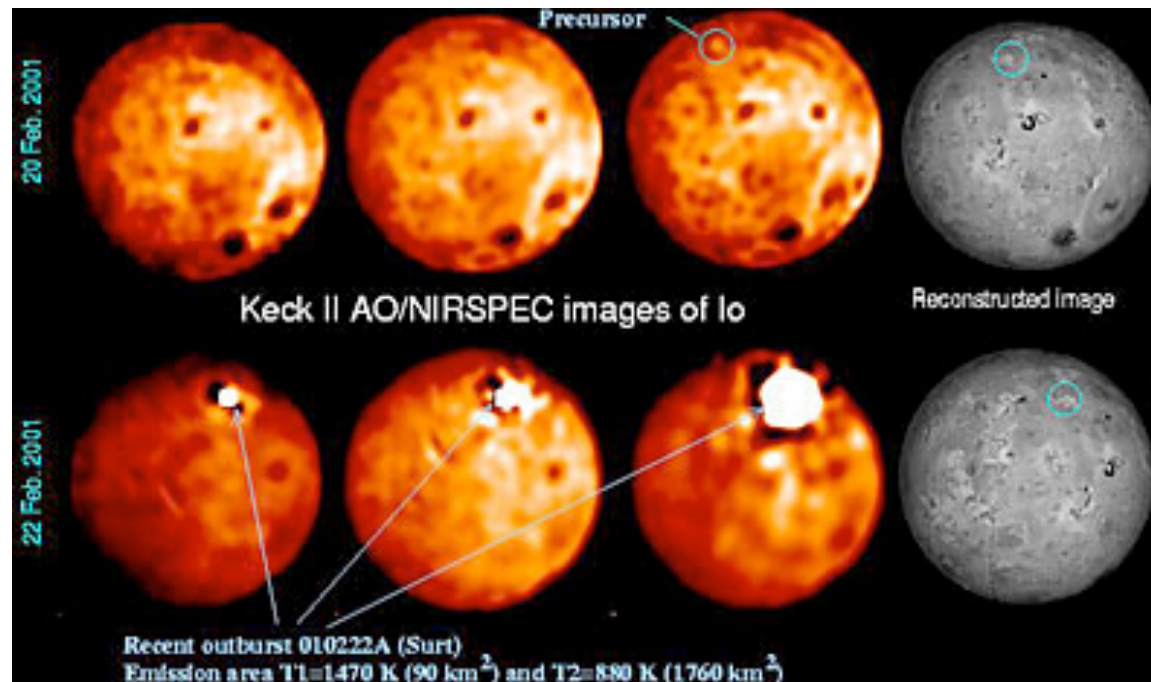
## Part II (Heat Sources) - Summary

- Insolation only sets boundary conditions
- Grav. energy depends on size-spectrum of bodies
- Global melting is *inevitable* for Earth-sized objects (magma oceans)
- Radioactivity most important for small objects
- For Earth-mass bodies, two epochs:
  - Early (~100 Myr): accretion dominates
  - Later: long-lived radionuclides
- Melting leads to differentiation (core formation)



# Part III – Heat transfer

- Why is heat transfer important?:
  - It controls the duration and magnitude of a body's geological activity (outgassing, dynamo etc.)
  - It can (potentially) be remotely measured



# Topics

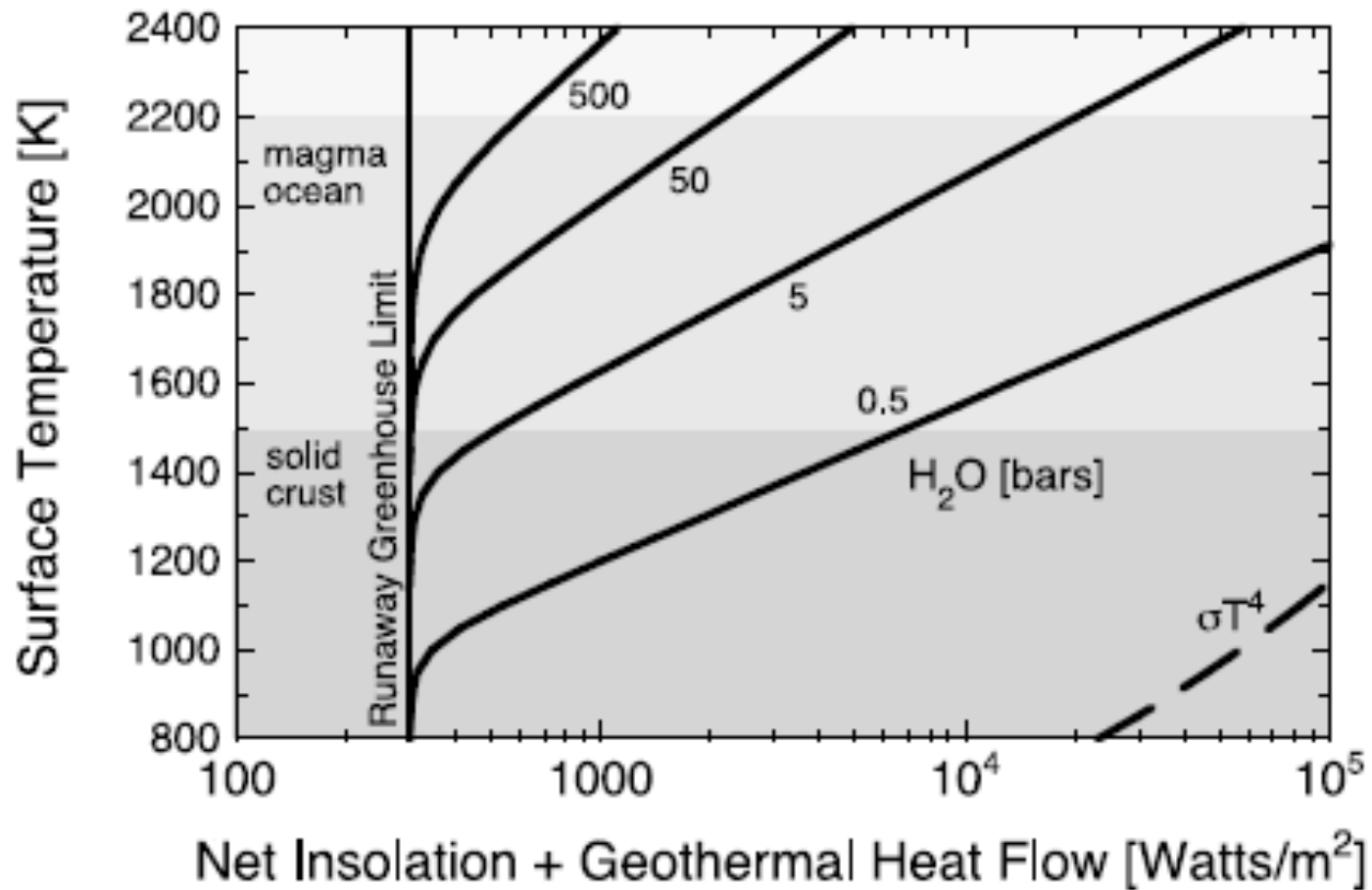
- 1. Magma oceans
- 2. Solid state convection
- 3. Advection (melt)

Resources: Rubie et al., *Treatise Geophys.*, 2007

# Magma ocean evolution

- Large bodies started life pervasively molten
- Magma ocean lifetimes highly uncertain:
  - Convective/radiative: few kyr (e.g. [Solomatov 2000](#))
  - Conductive: tens of Myr (flotation crust, small bodies *only*)
  - Thick steam atmosphere: ~100 Myr ([Zahnle et al. 2007](#))
- Is lifetime long or short compared to interval between “big” impacts?
- For how long would the IR emission be visible?
- Magma oceans can produce unstable density structures (subsequent overturn)

# Early thick atmosphere?



Zahnle et al. 2007

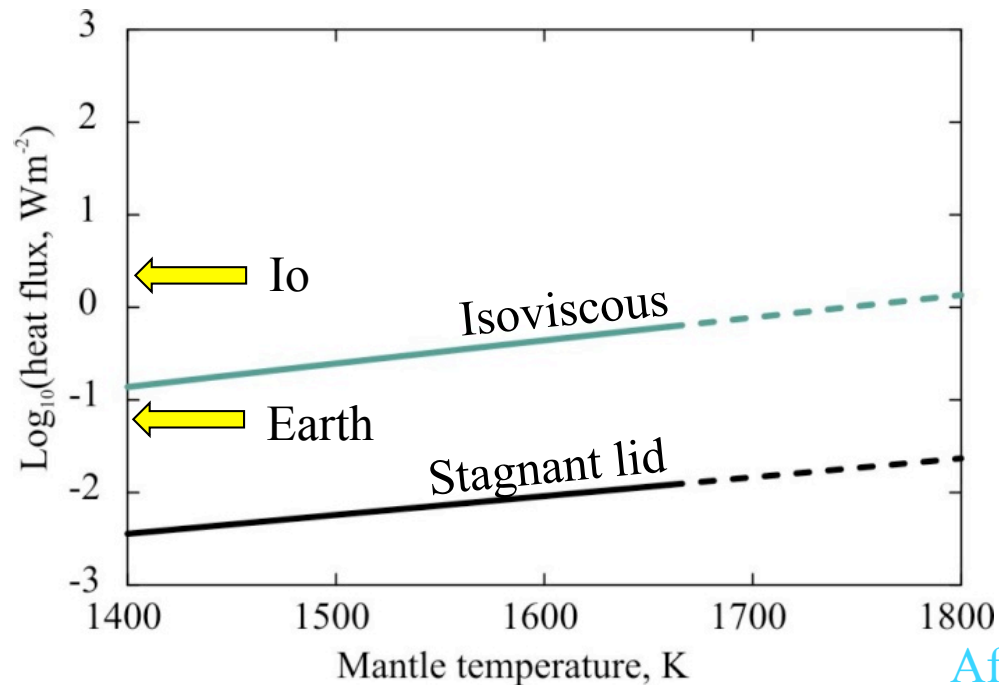
# Mantle convection

Mantle viscosity temperature-dependent  $\eta = \eta_0 \exp(-\gamma T)$

$$F_{sl} \sim k \left( \frac{GR\alpha\rho^2}{\kappa\eta_b} \right)^{1/3} \gamma^{-4/3} \sim 4 \text{ mWm}^{-2} \left( \frac{10^{21} \text{ Pa s}}{\eta_b} \right)^{1/3} \left( \frac{\gamma}{0.01 \text{ K}^{-1}} \right)^{-4/3}$$

$$F_{pt} \sim k \left( \frac{GR\alpha\rho^2}{\kappa\eta_b} \right)^{1/3} \Delta T^{4/3} \sim 150 \text{ mWm}^{-2} \left( \frac{10^{21} \text{ Pa s}}{\eta_b} \right)^{1/3} \left( \frac{R}{6000 \text{ km}} \right)^{1/3}$$

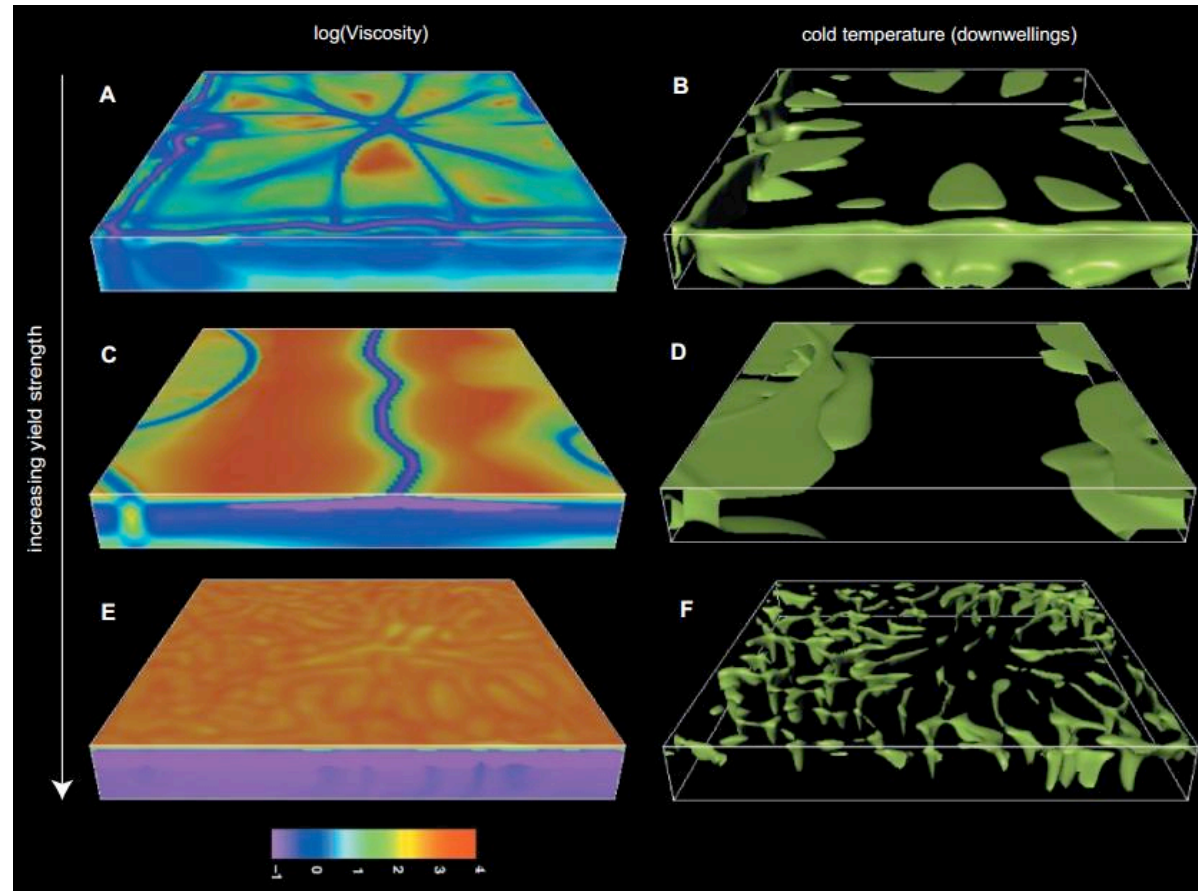
Solomatov (1995)



After Moore, *Icarus*, 2001

# Stagnant lid vs. plate tectonics

Low yield strength

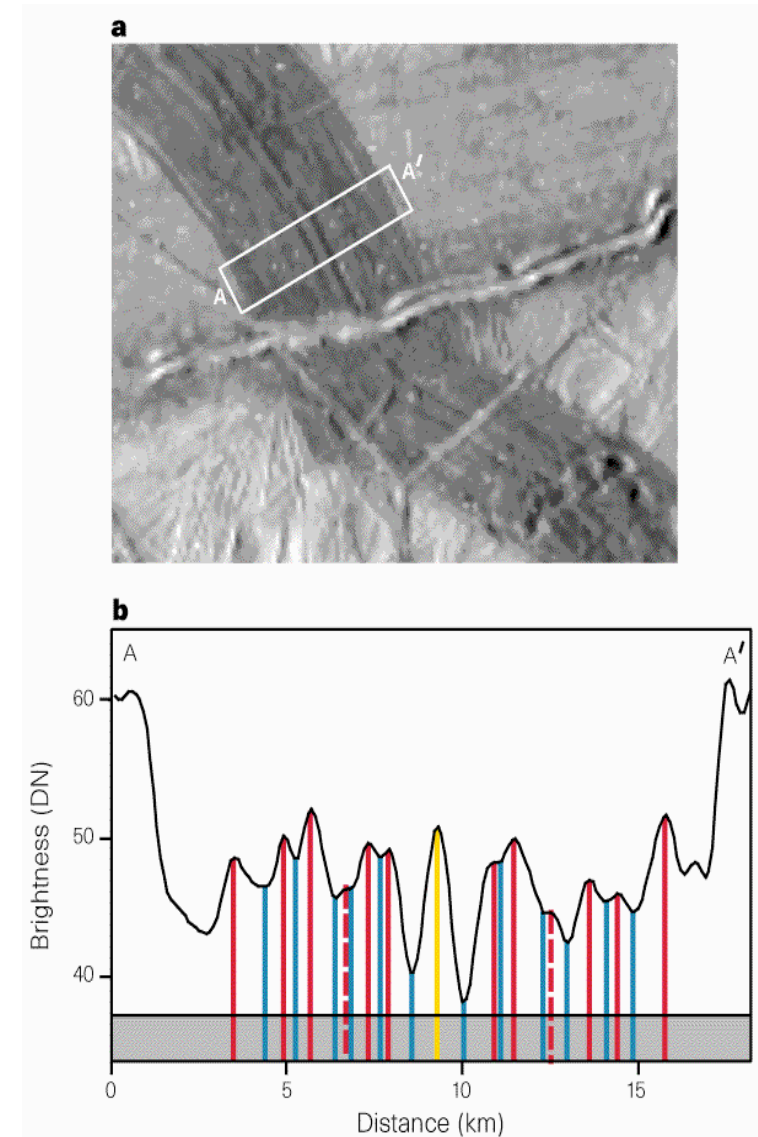
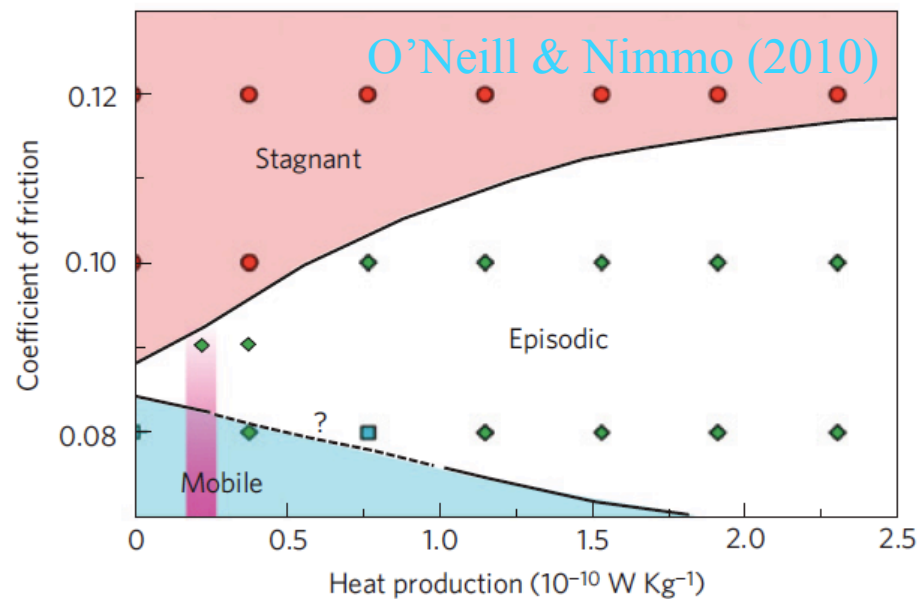
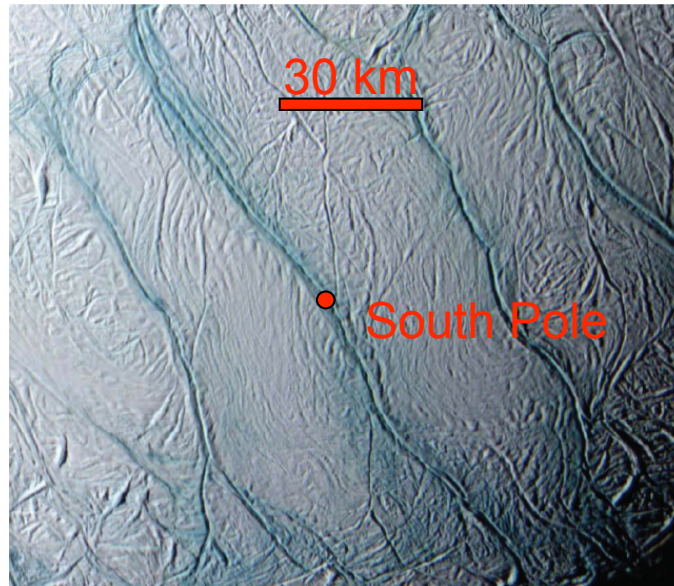


High yield strength

Tackley  
(2002)

- Yield strength (compared to convective stress)
- Earth vs. Venus – water is important!
- What does “yield strength” really mean?

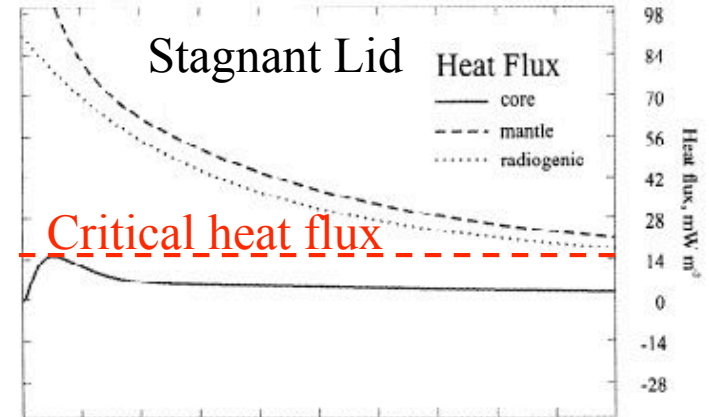
# Icy satellite plate tectonics?



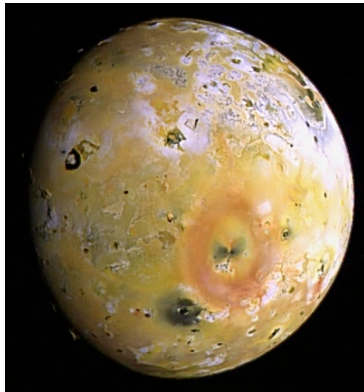
Sullivan et al., (1998)

# Dynamos

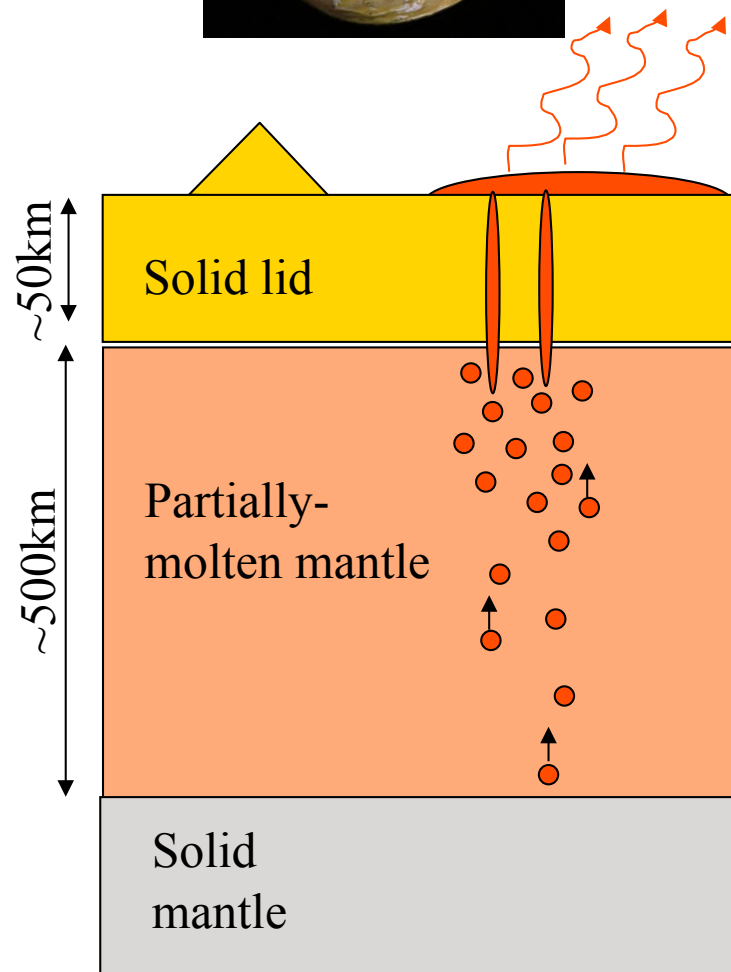
- Dynamos (usually) depend on how rapidly heat is being extracted *by the mantle*
- Whether or not plate tectonics operates can control dynamo activity (e.g. Earth vs. Venus)
- Early dynamos (Moon, Mars) are affected by initial hot core
- So initial conditions (accretion) may control dynamo operation
- Mechanically-stirred dynamos? (Dwyer et al. 2011)





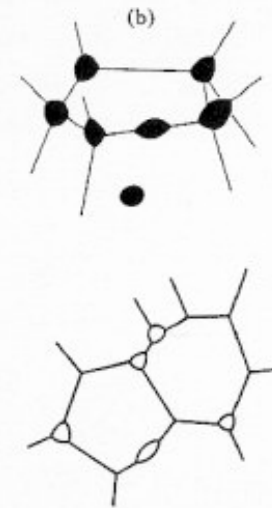
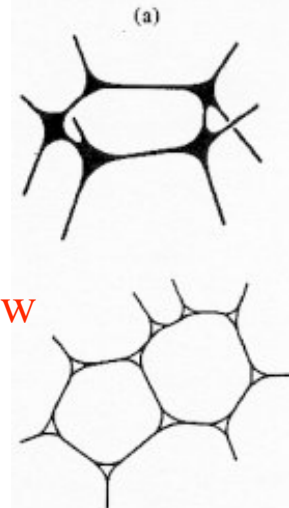


# Melting



- Advection can be an efficient heat transfer mechanism
- E.g. Io  $2 \text{ Wm}^{-2}$  (!)
- Near-surface melt transfer is macroscopic (e.g. dikes)
- Mantle melt transfer is microscopic (porous flow)
- Dihedral angle matters!

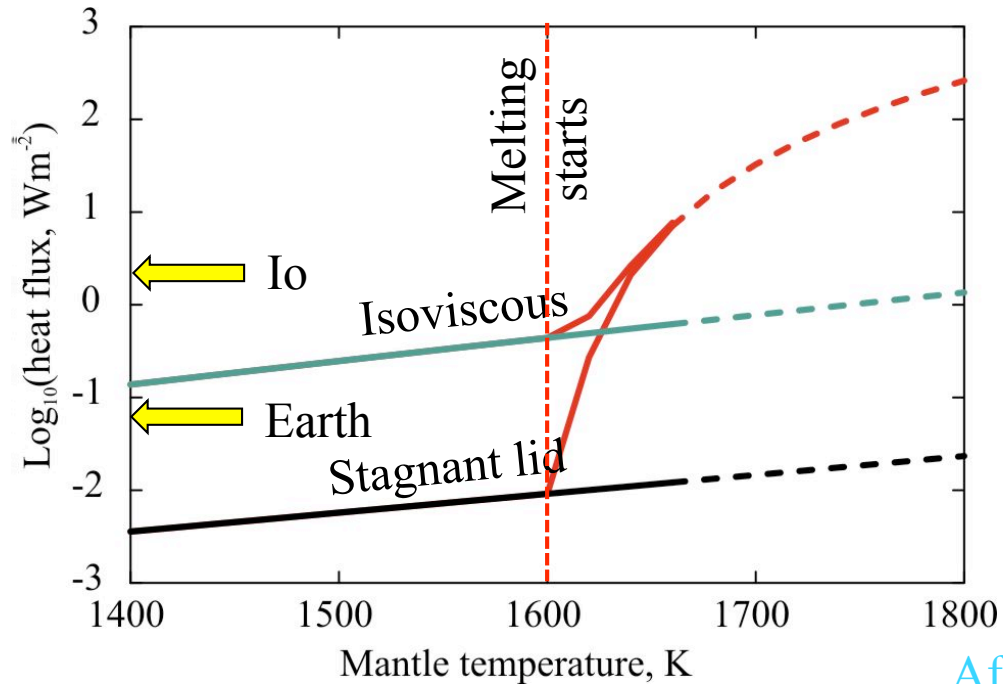
$\theta < 60^\circ$   
Rapid flow



$\theta > 60^\circ$   
No flow

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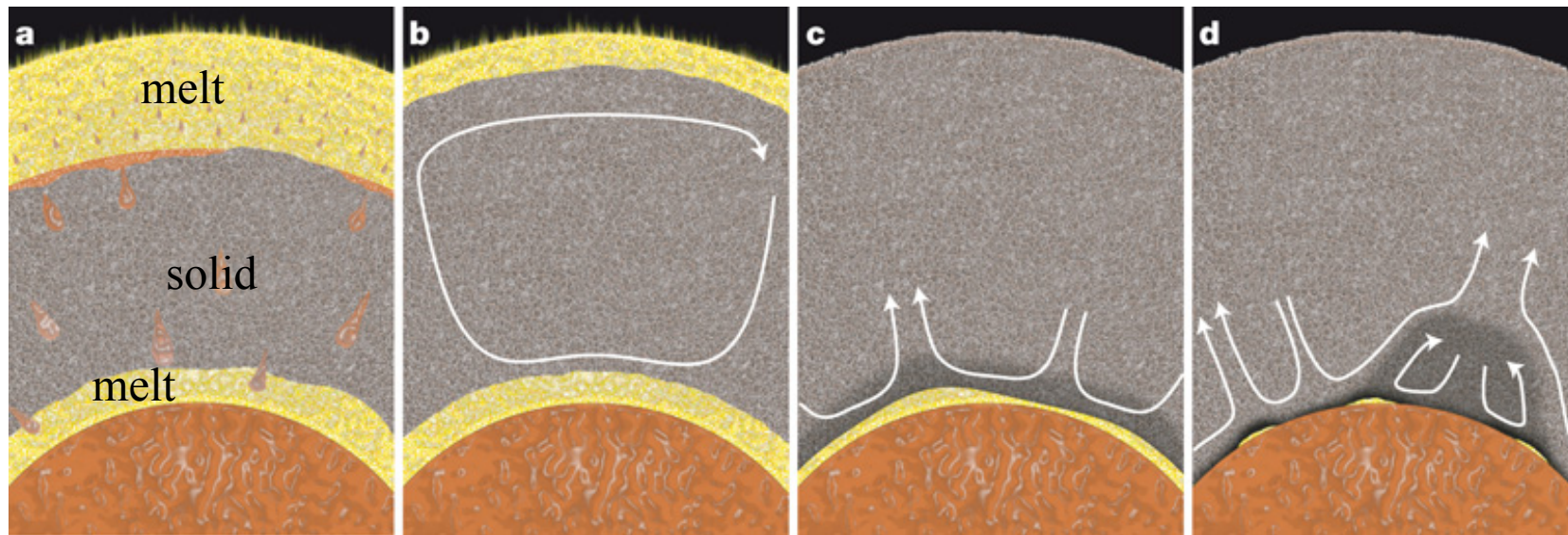
$$F_{melt} \sim \underbrace{cd^2\phi^n}_{\text{permeability}} \underbrace{\frac{g\Delta\rho}{\eta_{melt}}}_{\text{driving/resistive stresses}} \underbrace{\rho L_H \phi}_{\text{advected heat}}$$



After Moore, *Icarus*, 2001

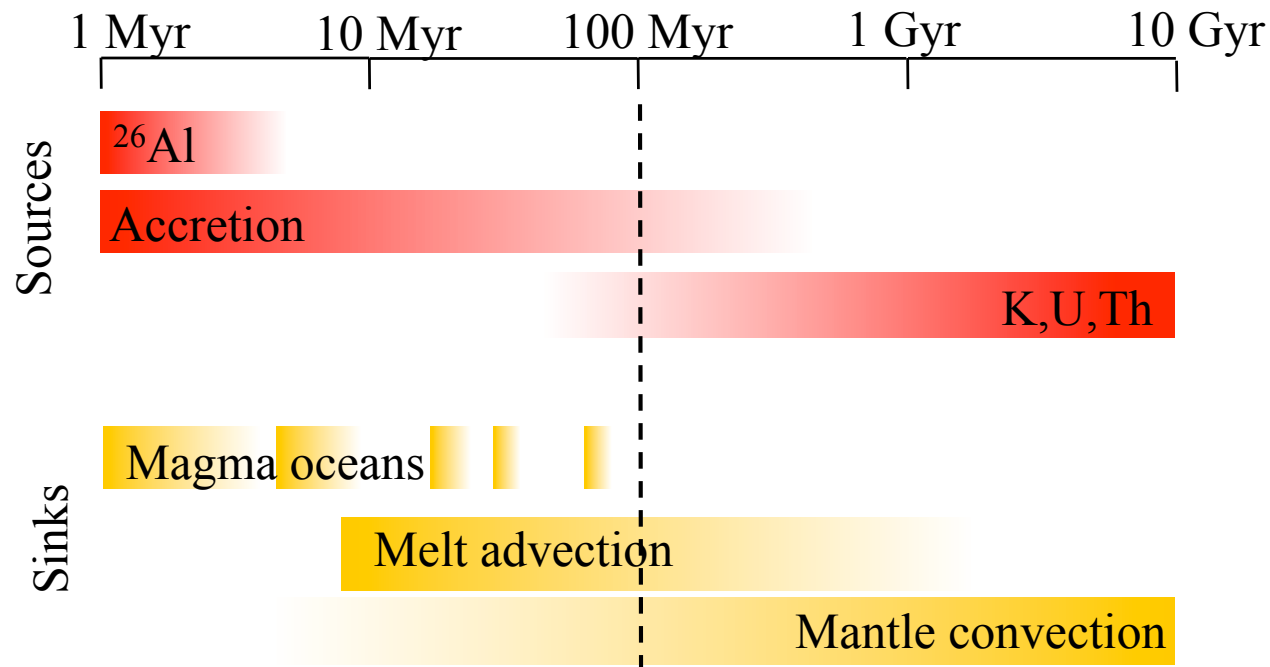
# Melting/Density

- Deep mantle melting behaviour controls whether magma ocean solidifies from top or bottom – important!
- Melt-solid **density contrast** controls whether magma can move upwards or not – affects e.g. CMB heat flux
- E.g. “Deep magma ocean” on Earth



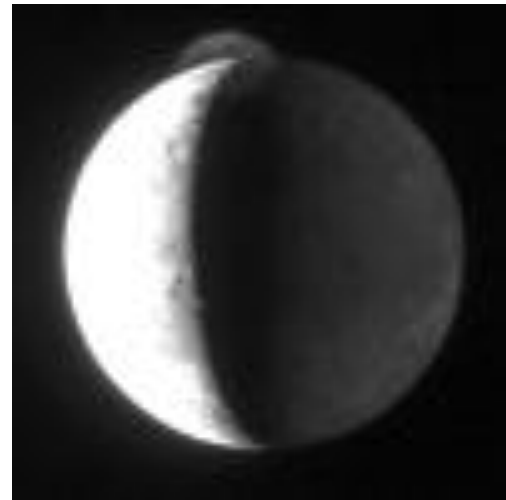
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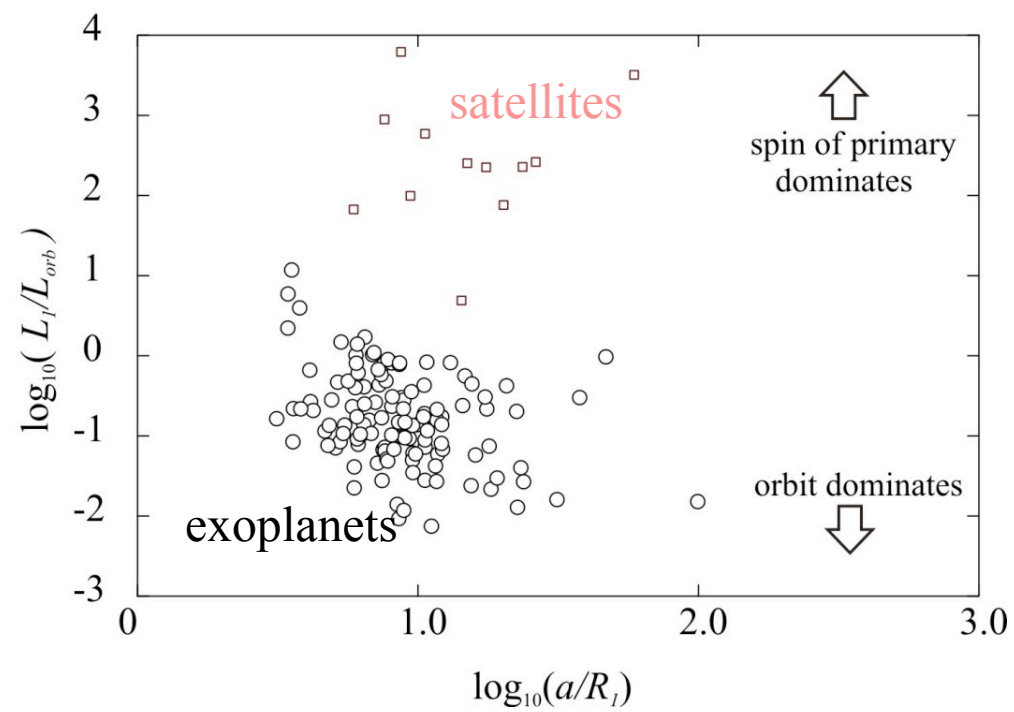
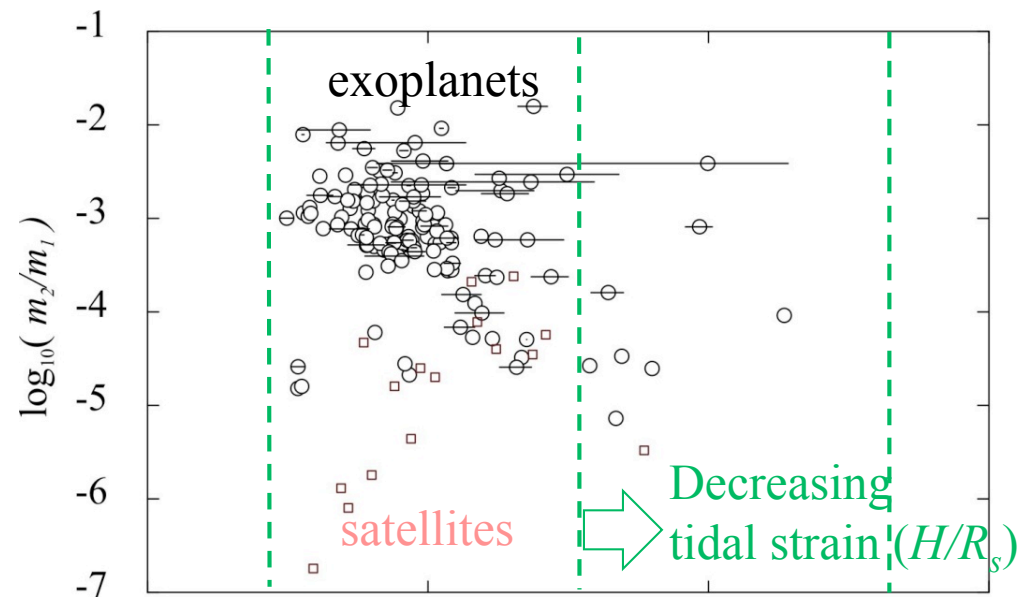
- Molten or partially-molten mantles cool rapidly
- Solid-state mantles cool slowly
- Mantles spend a long time close to the melting point



# Part IV – Tides

- Planetary tides are important for two reasons:
  - We can use observations of tidal effects to constrain the internal structures of planetary bodies
  - Tides play an important role in the orbital (and thermal) evolution of some bodies





# Topics

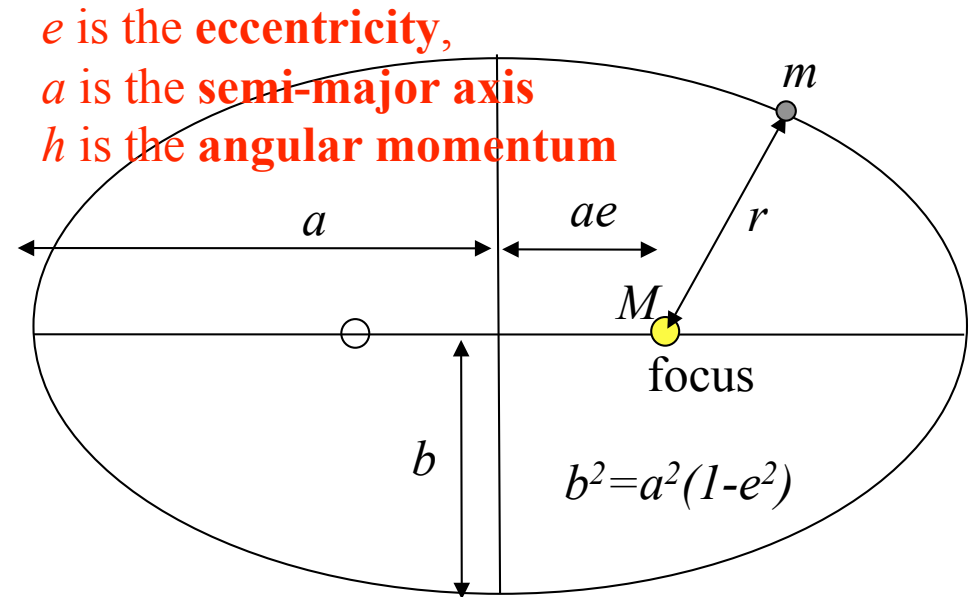
- 0. Introduction
- 1.  $k_2$  and  $Q$
- 2. Despinning
- 3. Tidal heating
- 4. Inclination and obliquity

Resources: Murray & Dermott, *Solar System Dynamics*, CUP, 1999

# Basics

$$n^2 a^3 = GM$$

$$E = -\frac{GMm}{2a}$$



$$h = na^2 \sqrt{1 - e^2}$$

Angular momentum per unit mass.  
Compare with  $na^2$  for a circular orbit

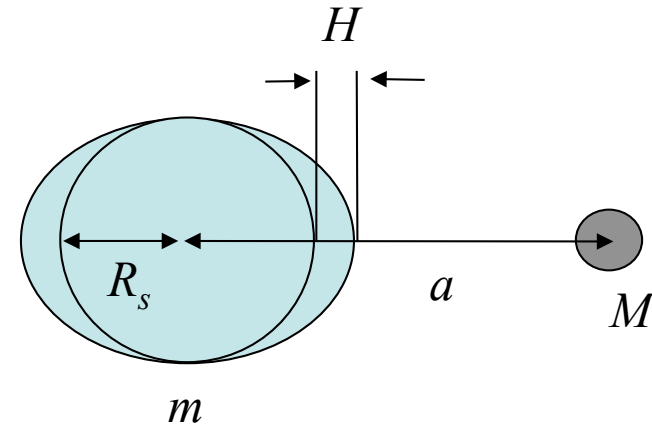
An elliptical orbit has a *smaller* angular momentum than a circular orbit with the same value of  $a$

Orbital angular momentum is *conserved* unless an external torque is acting upon the body

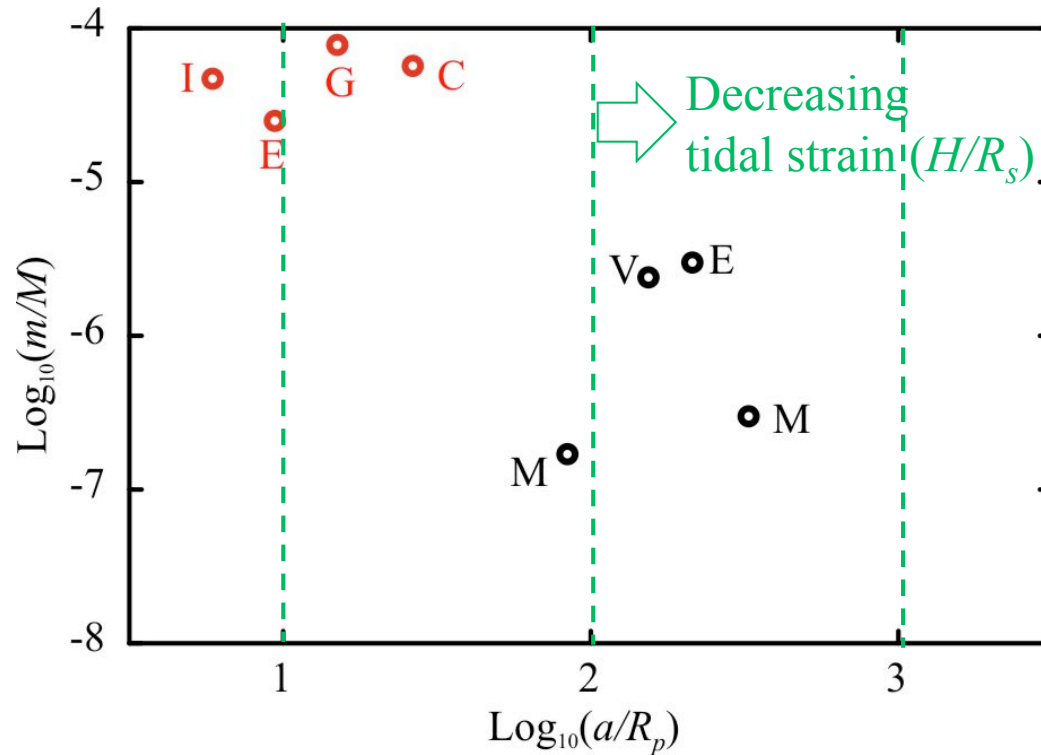


# Tides

$$H = h_2 R_s \left( \frac{M}{m} \right) \left( \frac{R_s}{a} \right)^3$$



$H$  strongly influences tidal *torques* and tidal *dissipation*



# Rigidity

- *Reduces* the tidal amplitude
- Gravity competes with rigidity  $\mu$ :

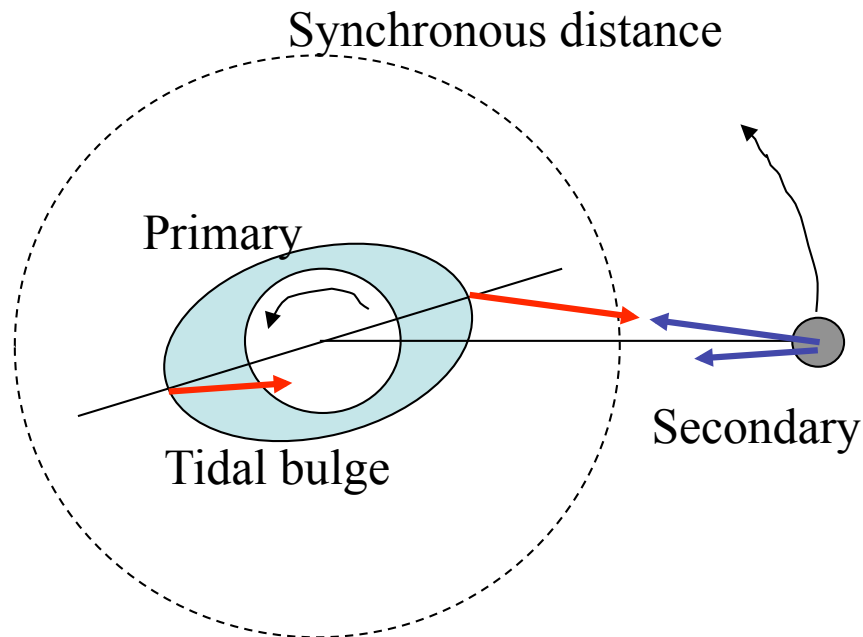
$$\tilde{\mu} = \frac{\mu}{\rho g R_s} \sim 0.7 \left( \frac{\mu}{100 \text{ GPa}} \right) \left( \frac{M_E}{M} \right)^{2/3}$$

- E.g. Love number  $h_2$  for a uniform body:

$$h_2 = \frac{5}{2} \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{19}{2} \tilde{\mu}\right)}$$

- Rigidity dominant for small bodies, moderate for Earth-mass bodies, small(?) for larger bodies

# Tidal torques on the primary



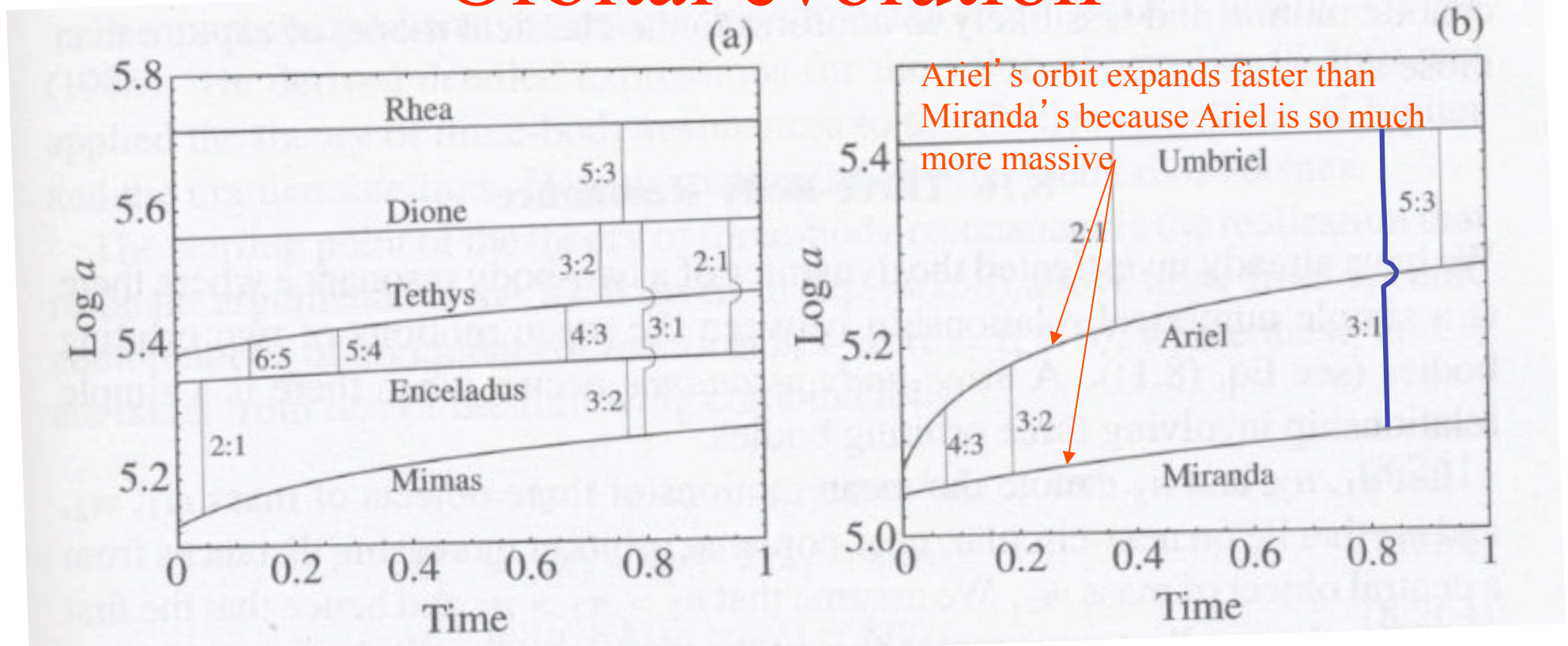
Torque spins down primary  
and moves secondary  
outwards

(Reversed if within  
synchronous distance –  
exoplanets!)

The Moon has moved outwards from  $\sim 5 R_E$  to  $60 R_E$  over 4.5 billion years.

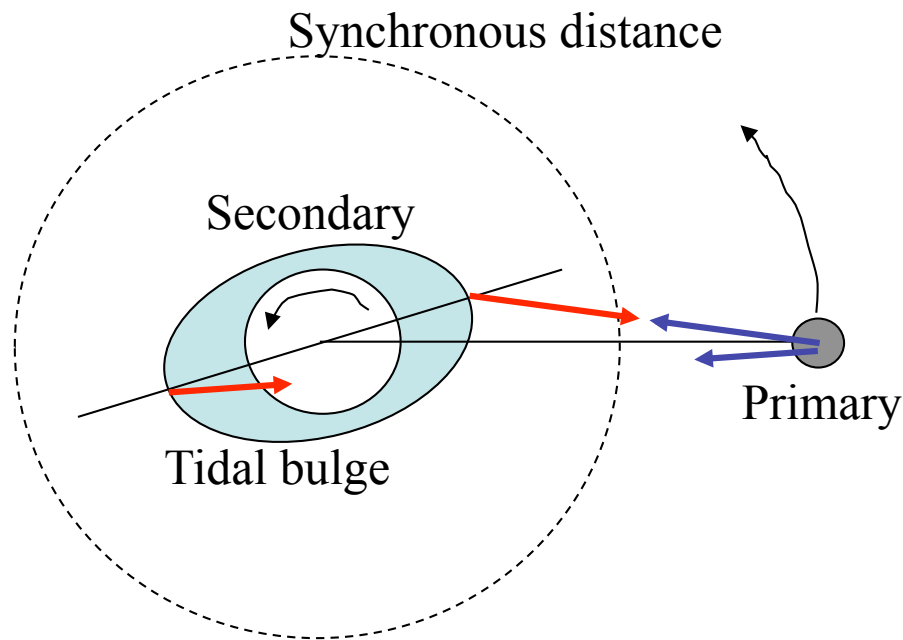
The current measured recession rate (4 cm/yr) tells us how large the torques are, and thus how dissipative the Earth is, at present.

# Orbital evolution



- (Murray and Dermott 1999)
- Passage through resonance may have led to transient eccentricities and heating
- Note that diverging paths do not allow capture into resonance (though they allow passage through it), while converging paths do.

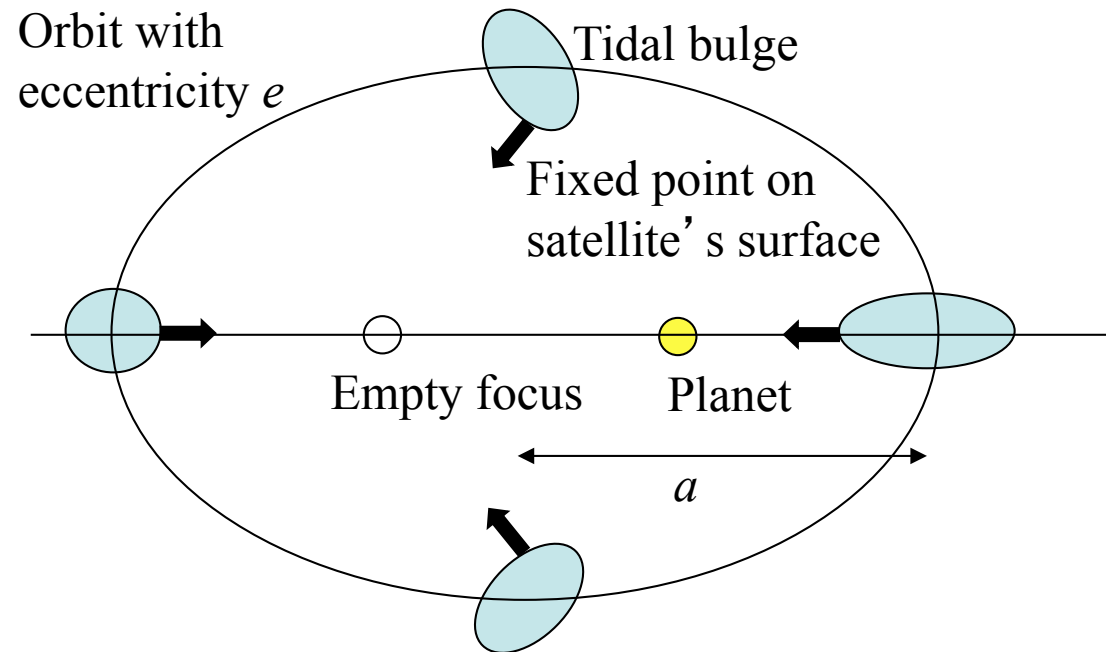
# Tidal torques on the secondary



Tide raised by primary on secondary is large, so torque is large

- Synchronization is *rapid* for close-in objects (see later)
- Rotation period may not *exactly* equal orbit period (see later)
- Even synchronous objects generally experience tides . . .

# Diurnal Tides



- From a fixed point *on the satellite*, the resulting tidal pattern can be represented as a static tide (permanent) plus a much smaller component that oscillates (the diurnal tide)

N.B. it's often helpful to think about tides from the satellite's viewpoint

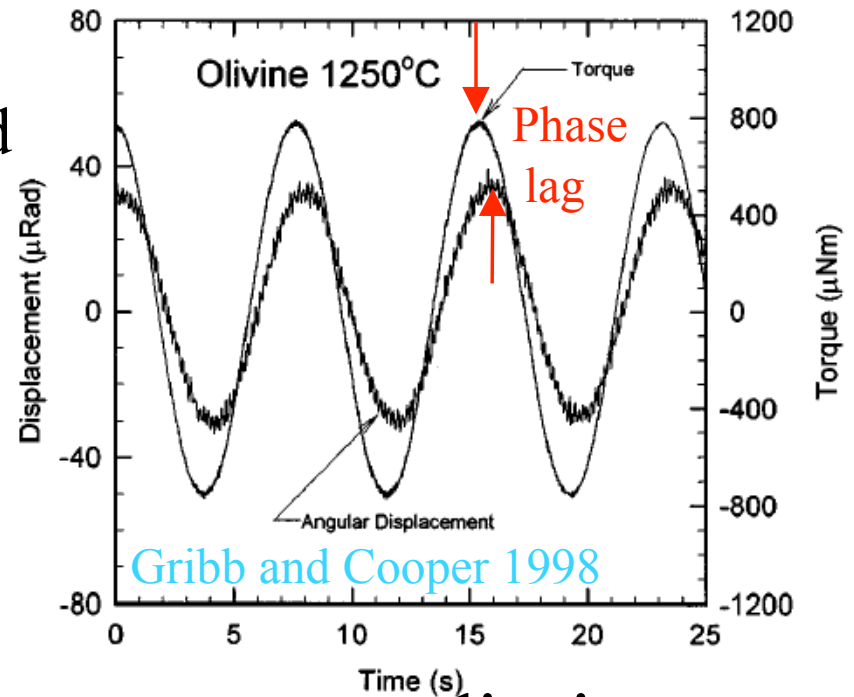
$$H_d = 3eH$$

# 1. $k_2$ and $Q$

- Torques and dissipation both depend on  $k_2/Q$

$\frac{k_2}{Q}$  → Tidal bulge *amplitude*.  
Depends on rigidity and density.

$Q$  → Tidal bulge *phase*.  
Depends on viscosity & rigidity.

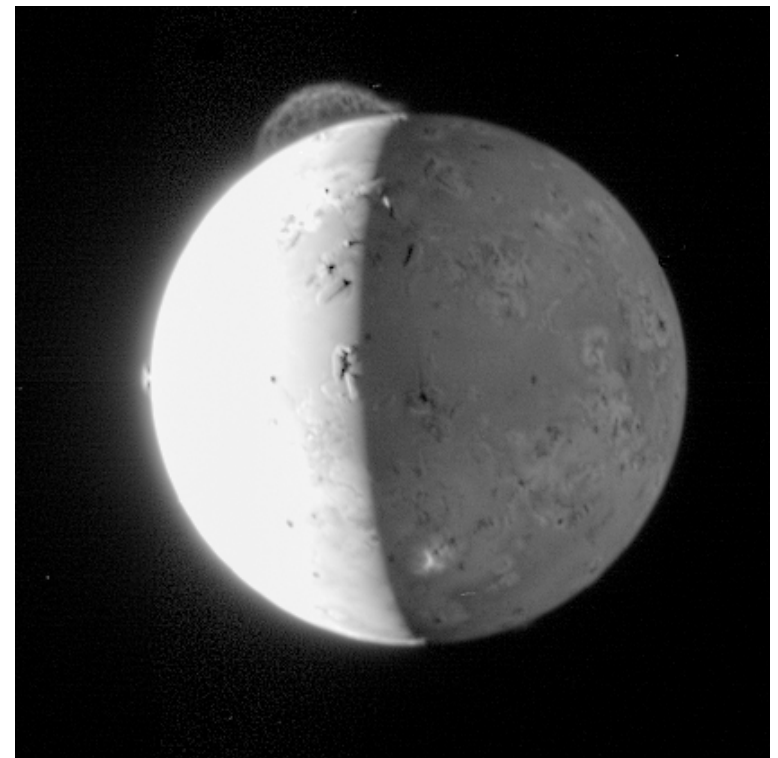


- $Q$  is  $\sim$  number of cycles for energy to dissipate
- Large  $Q$  means small phase lag/torque (!)
- $Q$  depends *strongly* on mechanical properties

# Observational constraints

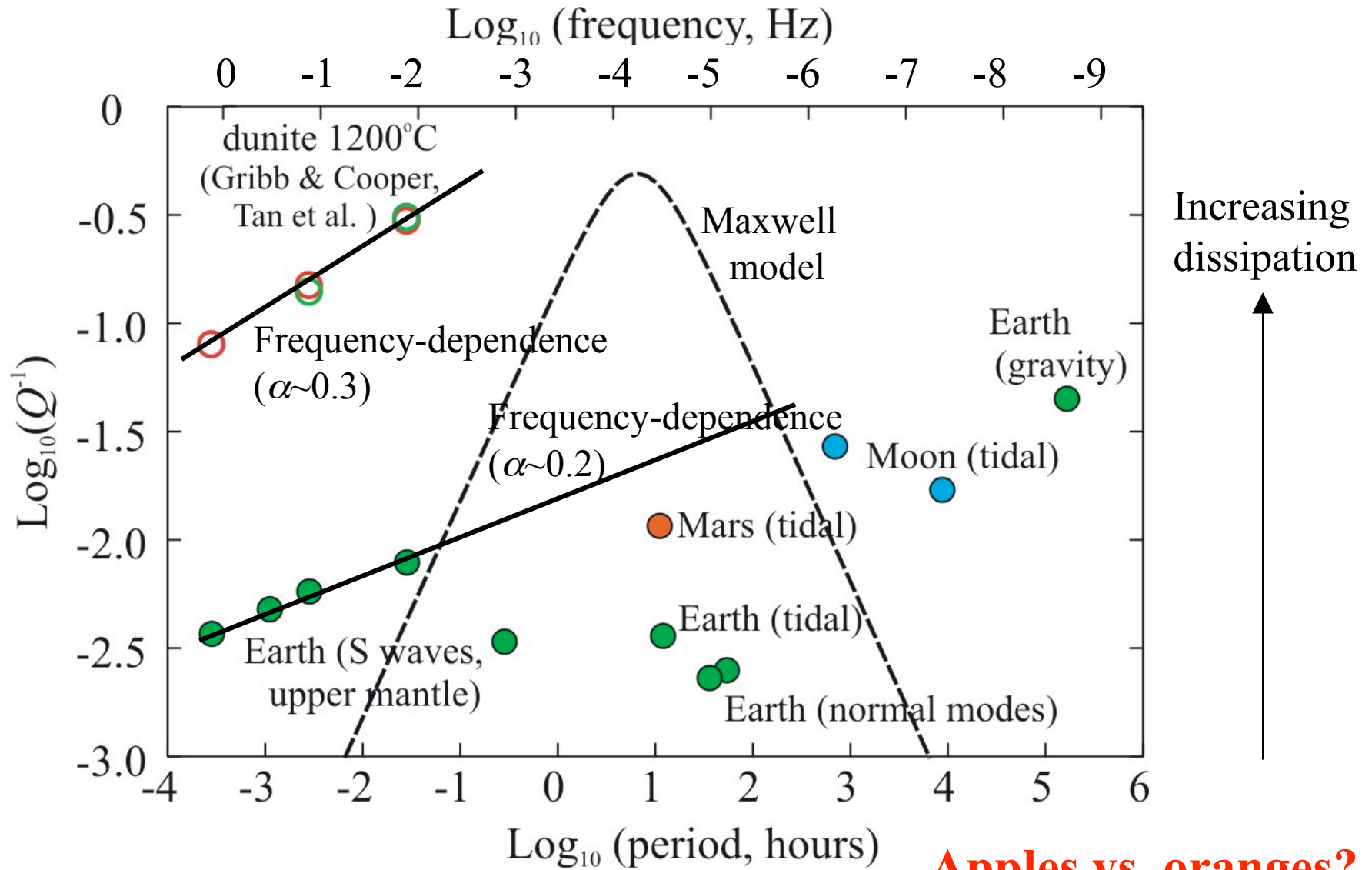
- Earth as a whole has a  $Q$  of 12 (oceans)
- The solid Earth is *not* very dissipative ( $Q \sim 300$ )
- Mars is dissipative ( $Q \sim 80$ )
- So is the Moon ( $Q \sim 30$  at tidal periods)
- Io and Enceladus are generating observable heat, so we can infer  $k_2/Q$  directly
- Gas giants (Saturn, Jupiter) have astrometrically-determined  $Q \sim 10^4 - 10^5$  (Lainey et al. 2009)
- $Q$  is frequency-dependent!

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# Observations of $Q$

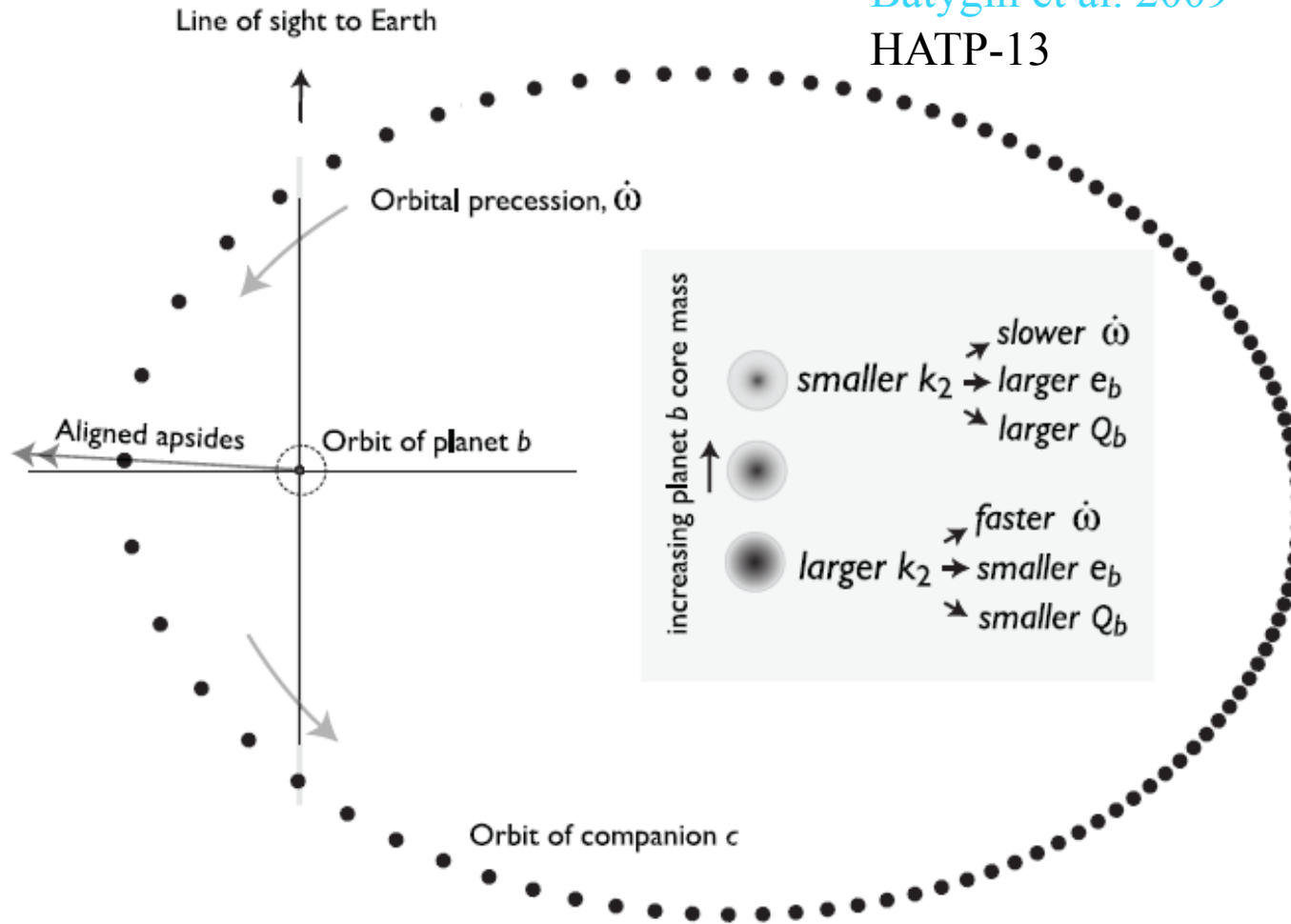


**Apples vs. oranges?**

# An observational constraint!

Batygin et al. 2009

HATP-13



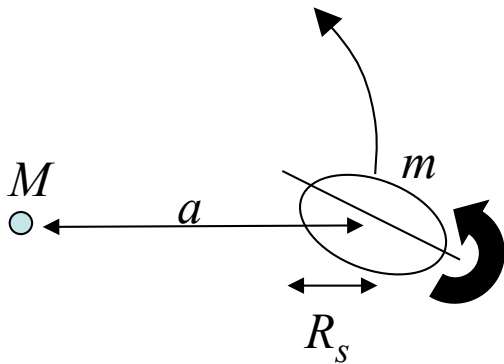
- Both  $k_2$  (and  $Q$ ) have been inferred

# Tidal torques

Size of (static) tidal bulge:  $H = h_2 R_s \left( \frac{M}{m} \right) \left( \frac{R_s}{a} \right)^3$

Torque on *non-synchronous* satellite by primary:  $\langle T \rangle_{ns} \approx \frac{k_{2s}}{Q_s} \left( \frac{R_s}{a} \right)^6 \frac{GM^2}{R_s}$

Torque on *synchronous* satellite by primary:  $\langle T \rangle_{synch} \approx \langle T \rangle_{ns} 3e$

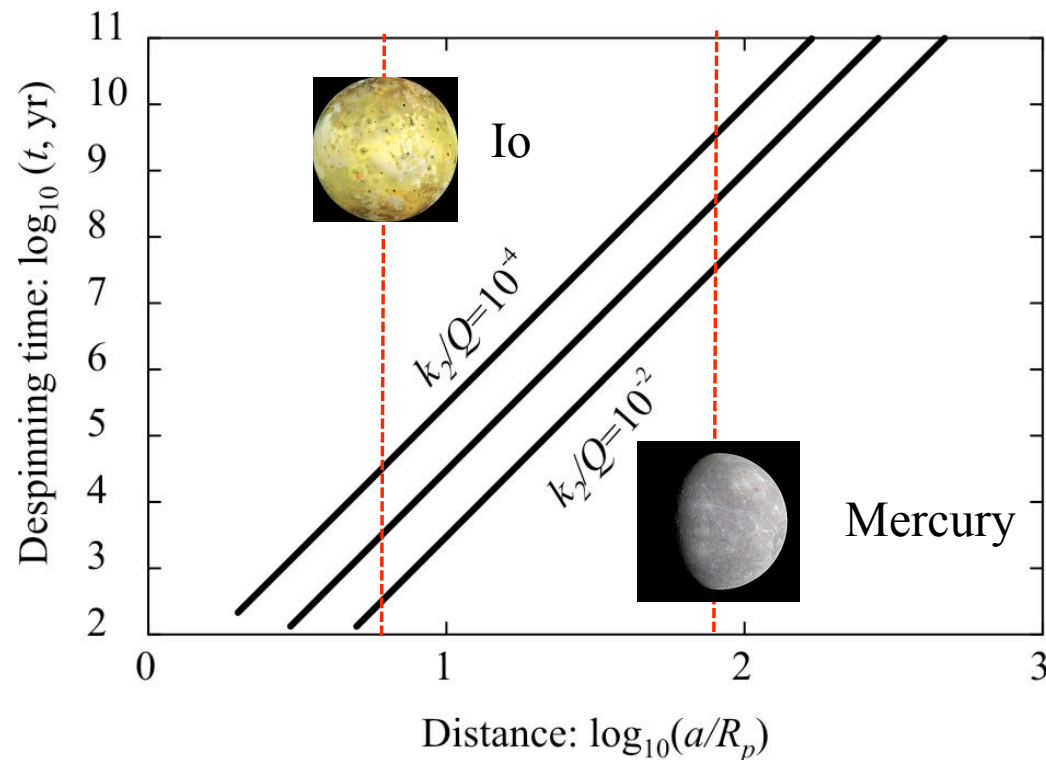


Torque *on primary by satellite* can be calculated using symmetry

## 2. Despinning to synchronous

- *Fast* for close-in non-synchronous objects
- Subsequent evolution (synchronous) is slower

$$\tau \sim \frac{Q}{k_2} \frac{\rho_s}{G^{1/2} \rho_p^{3/2}} \left( \frac{a}{R_p} \right)^{9/2} \sim 30 \text{ kyr} \left( \frac{a/R_p}{10} \right)^{9/2} \left( \frac{10^{-3}}{k_2/Q} \right)$$

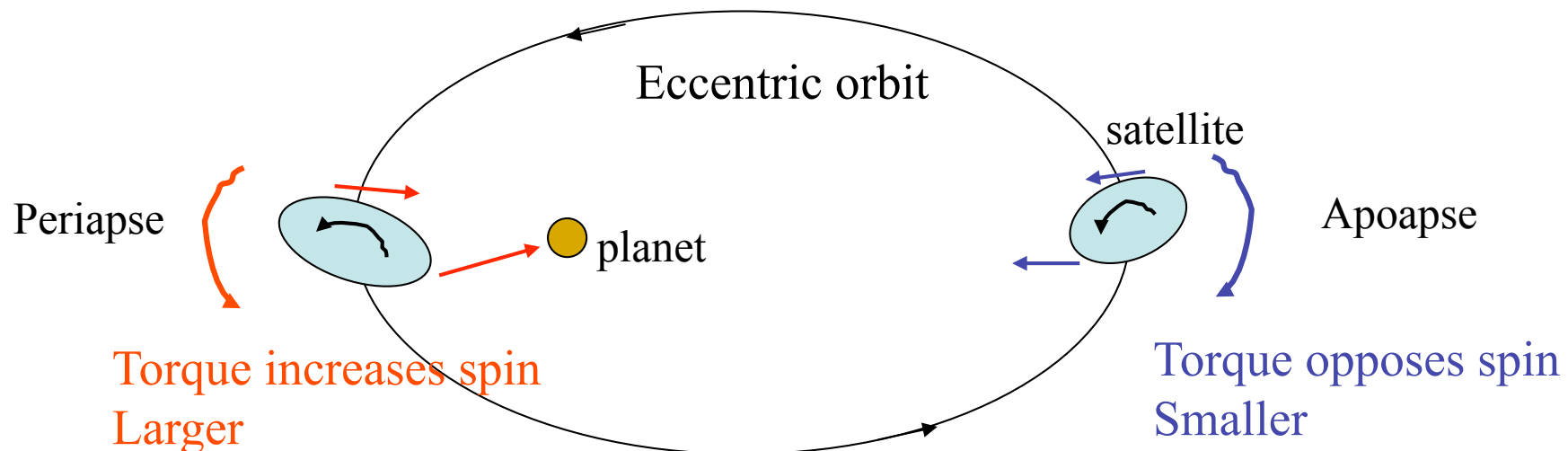


# Non-synchronous rotation

- Torque on a synchronous satellite is given by:

$$\langle T \rangle_{synch} \approx \langle T \rangle_{ns} 3e$$

- This torque should **increase the satellite's rotation rate** slightly above synchronous (Greenberg & Weidenschilling 1984) . . .
- . . . As long as there are no permanent mass asymmetries
- Potentially *very* important for eccentric close-in exoplanets

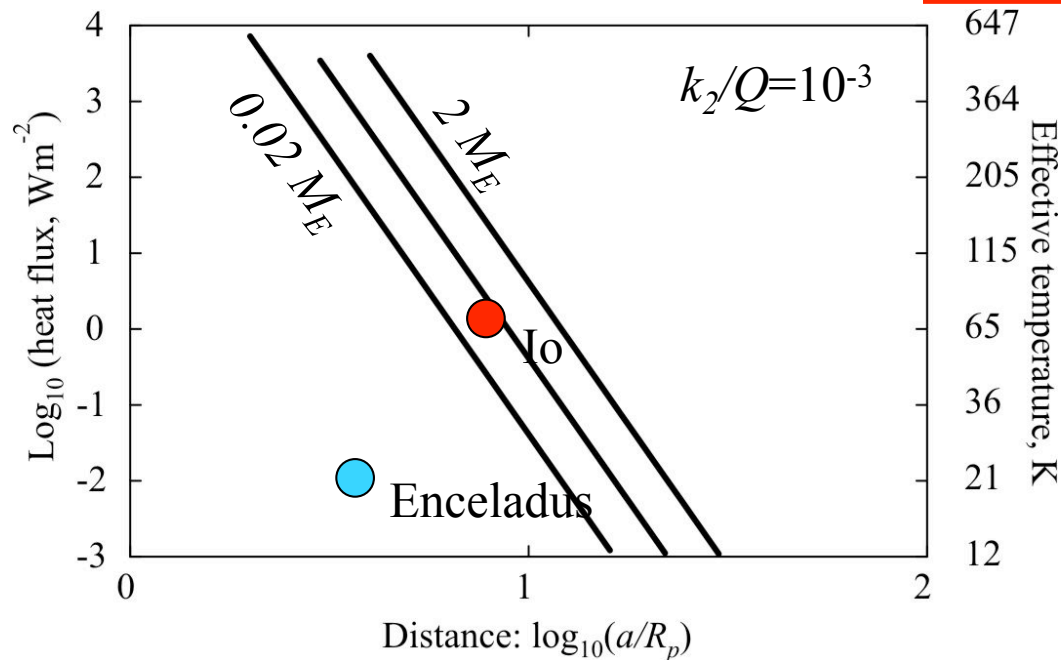


# 3. Tidal Heating

- Diurnal tides – deformation -> heating
- Heat output allows  $k_2/Q$  determination ( $\sim 0.01$ )

Synchronous rotator.  
Valid for small  $e$ .

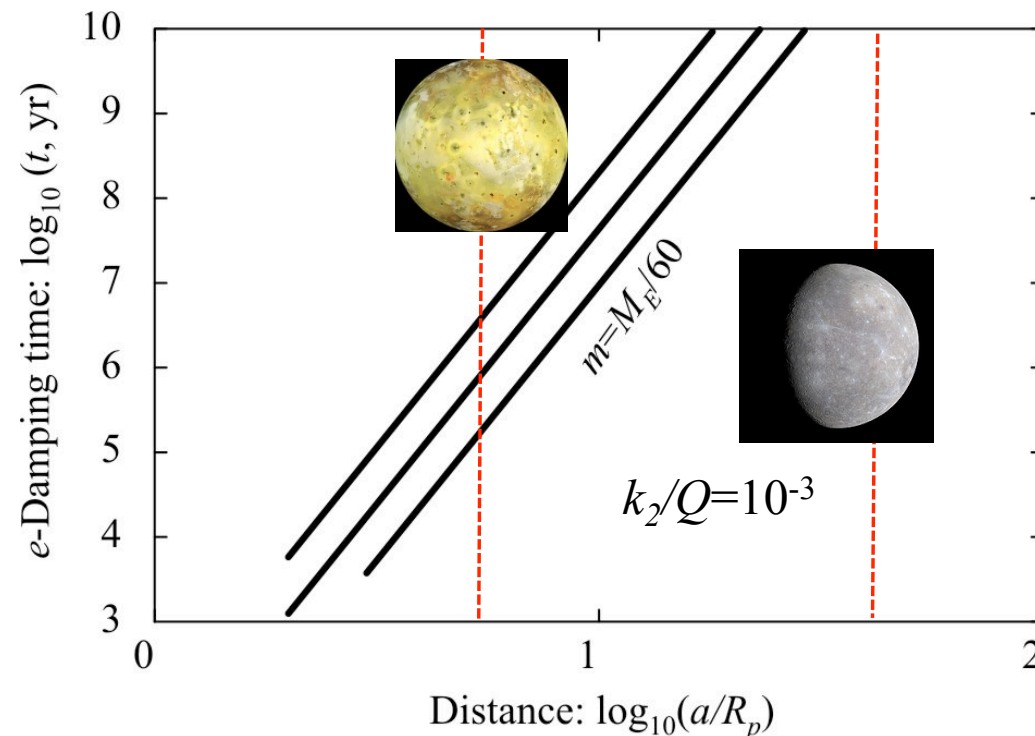
$$\dot{E} \sim \frac{k_2}{Q} \frac{G^{3/2} \rho_p^{5/2}}{\rho_s^{5/3}} \left( \frac{a}{R_p} \right)^{-15/2} m^{5/3} e^2$$



# Eccentricity Damping

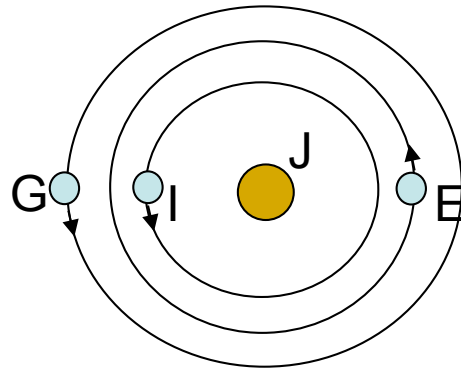
- Energy from orbit,  $e$  should damp to zero
- $e$ -damping time *long* compared to despin time

$$\tau \sim \frac{Q}{k_2} \frac{\rho_s^{10/6}}{G^{1/2} \rho_p^{13/6}} \left( \frac{a}{R_p} \right)^{13/2} \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)^{2/3} \sim 30 \text{ Myr} \left( \frac{a/R_p}{10} \right)^{13/2} \left( \frac{10^{-3}}{k_2/Q} \right) \left( \frac{M/m}{10^3} \right)^{2/3}$$



# Resonances

- Eccentricities will damp, unless they are being excited
- *Mean-motion resonances* can excite eccentricities:



One of the conjunctions occurring due to the **Laplace resonance**. Note that there is never a triple conjunction.

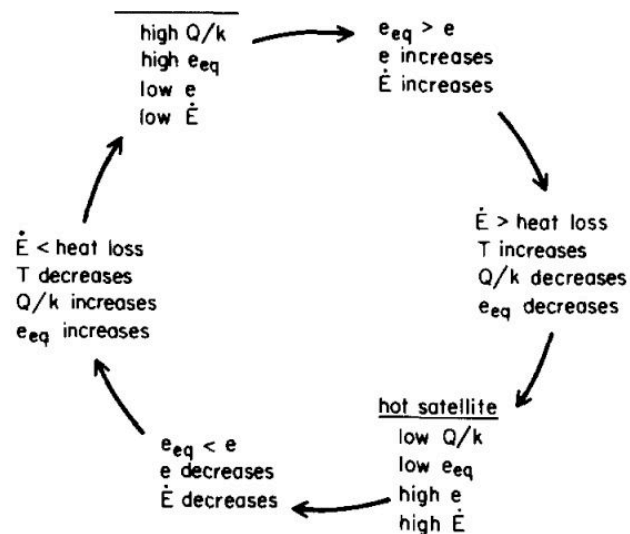
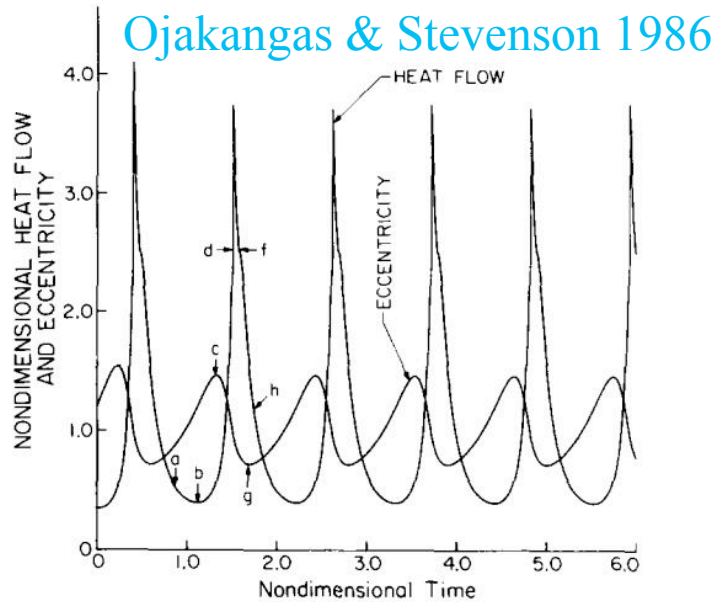
- These ultimately involve transfer of (rotational) angular momentum from the primary to the secondaries
- In steady-state ( $de/dt=0$ ), the dissipation rate in the secondaries depends only on  $k_2/Q$  of the *primary*

$$\dot{E}_{steady} \sim n \frac{k_{2p}}{Q_p} \left( \frac{R_p}{a} \right)^6 \frac{Gm^2}{R_p} \sim n \langle T \rangle_{ns}$$

A possible observational constraint . . .

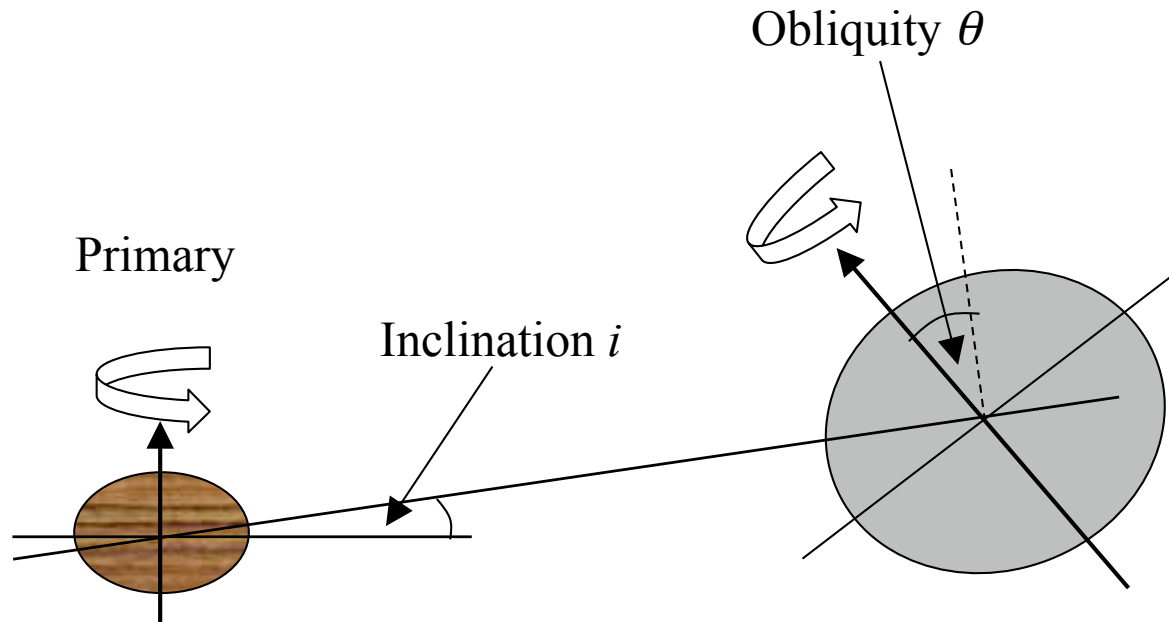


# Feedbacks and coupling



- Dissipation in primary increases eccentricity
- Dissipation in satellite decreases eccentricity
- Heat transfer, dissipation and  $e$ -damping are **coupled**, because  $Q$  is strongly temperature-dependent
- *Complex* (periodic?) behaviour can result

# 4. Inclination and obliquity

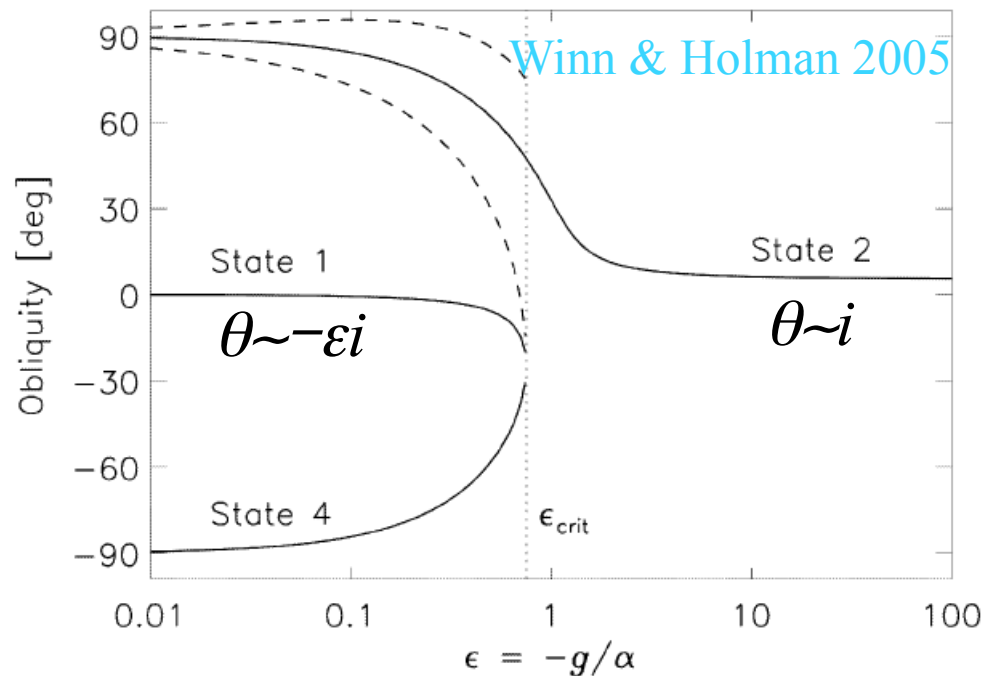


- Inclination damping is slow  $\frac{1}{i} \frac{di}{dt} = \frac{1}{4a} \frac{da}{dt}$   $\frac{da}{dt} = \frac{2a^2}{GMm} \dot{E}$
- $\tau_{\text{despin}} \ll \tau_{\text{ecc}} \ll \tau_{\text{inc}}$
- Many satellites occupy a **Cassini state**, in which the obliquity is controlled by the inclination

# Cassini state

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\text{orbit precession rate}}{\text{spin precession rate}} \approx \frac{R_p^2 a}{R^3} \frac{m}{M} \frac{cJ_{2p}}{k_2}$$

$\theta$  and  $i$  are not independent, related via  $\varepsilon$



Things we would like to know

# Obliquity tides & heating

- Bulge moves “up-and-down”, rather than “side-to-side”
- Otherwise heating effect same as eccentricity tides:

$$\dot{E} \sim \frac{k_2}{Q} \frac{G^{3/2} \rho_p^{5/2}}{\rho_s^{5/3}} \left( \frac{a}{R_p} \right)^{-15/2} m^{5/3} \theta^2$$

- Crucial distinction: obliquity damps *much more slowly* than eccentricity (because controlled by inclination)
- So obliquity tides can be a good long-term source of heat for bodies in Cassini states (within limits – see [Fabrycky et al. 2007](#))

# Summary

- Tides depend strongly on  $a/R_p$  – important for our satellites and many exoplanets

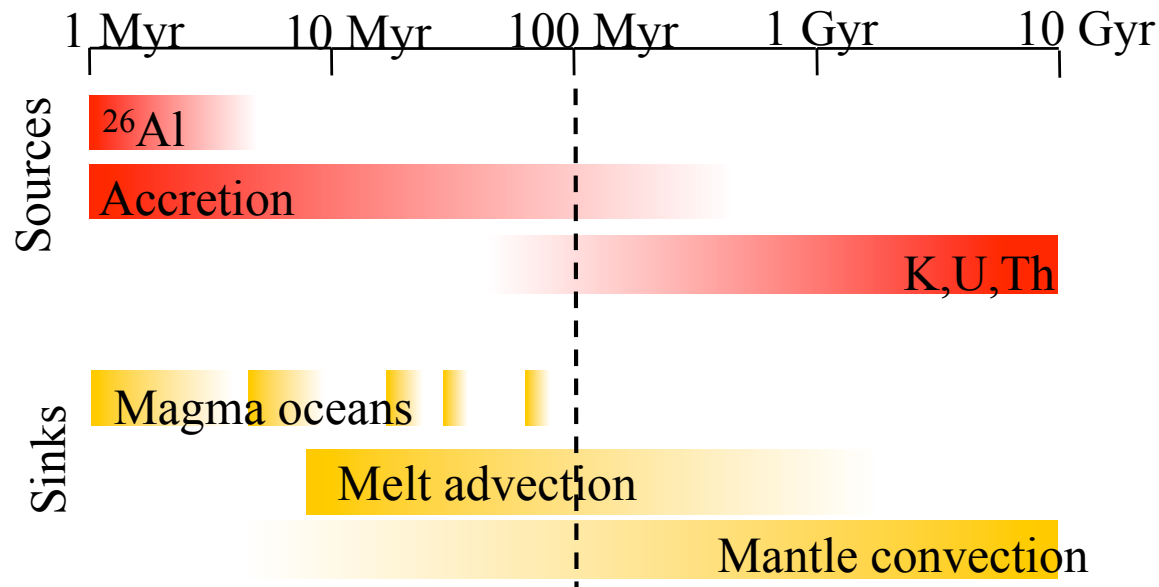
- Tidal processes happen at different rates:

$$\tau_{\text{despin}} \ll \tau_{\text{ecc}} \ll \tau_{\text{inc}}$$

- Tidal heating important in our solar system and likely elsewhere (resonances, inclinations)
- Orbital observations can constrain  $k_2$  etc.
- Coupling between thermal and orbital evolution – complicated problem . . .
- . . . But may allow us to use orbital observations to constrain interior state, or vice versa

# What have we learnt?

- Late-stage impacts: generate initial diversity; dominate the thermal budget for  $\sim 100$  Myr
- Tides and radioactivity: longer-term energy sources
- Planets start hot; stay “slightly molten” for Gyrs
- Orbit-interior coupling: challenge and opportunity



# Lessons

- Observations of exoplanets will be limited, but:
  - Young solid planets are good targets (luminous)
  - Bulk densities may be diagnostic of impact history
  - Tidal/interior coupling (e.g. HATP-13)
  - Likewise atmosphere/interior coupling
- Solid bodies are complex systems which defy simple predictions (Earth vs. Venus, Mimas vs. Enceladus)
- Chemistry helps! (in this Solar System)
- Our Solar System is likely *not* typical - biases

# Eccentricity damping

- Damping releases a lot of energy:

$$\frac{\Delta E_{ecc}}{E_{grav}} \sim 0.3 \left( \frac{M / m}{10^4} \right)^{2/3} \left( \frac{10}{a / R_p} \right) \left( \frac{\Delta e}{0.1} \right)^2$$



# Planetary Growth & Accretion

- Early growth – from dust/gas to  $\sim 1$  km (e.g. [Weidenschilling 1997](#))
  - Occurs over  $\sim 10^4$  yrs at 1 AU
- Runaway growth (e.g. [Wetherill & Stewart 1989](#))
  - $dM/dt \sim M^{4/3}$
  - Terminates when  $v \sim v_{esc}$ ,  $\sim 10^5$  yrs at 1 AU
- Oligarchic growth (e.g. [Kokubo & Ida 1998](#))
  - $dM/dt \sim M^{2/3}$
  - Terminates at  $\sim 0.1 M_E$ ,  $\sim 10^6$  yrs at 1 AU
- Late-stage accretion (e.g. [Agnor et al. 1999](#))
  - Stochastic, large impacts,  $10^7$ - $10^8$  yrs

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