

The emerging field of planets in binaries

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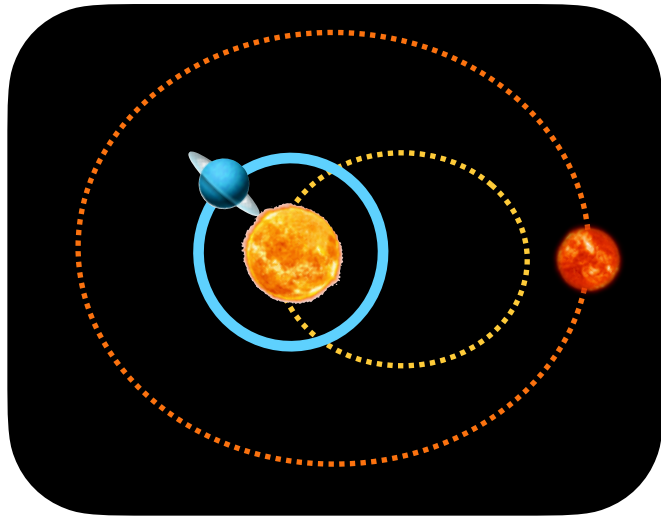
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Planets in binaries

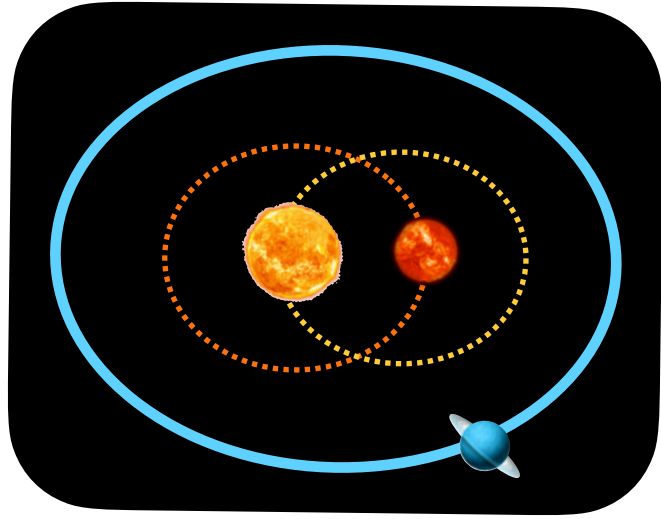


Raghavan+2010

S-type or circumstellar

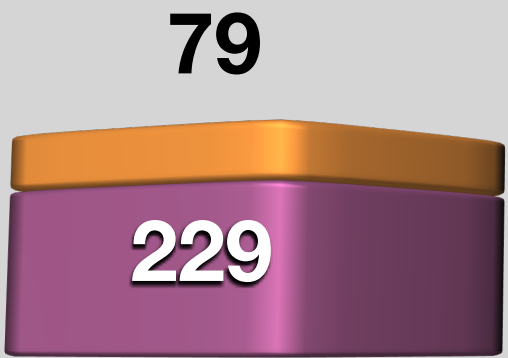


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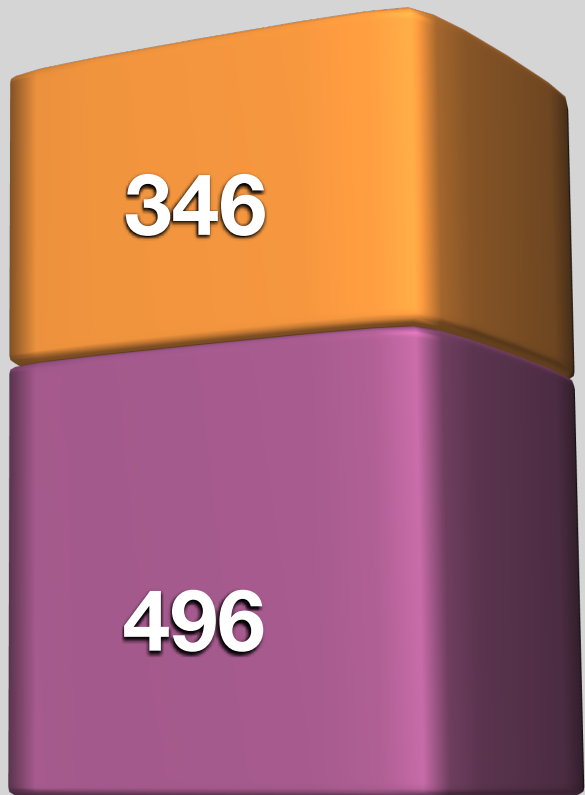


S-type planets:

- Confirmed/validated
- TOI candidates

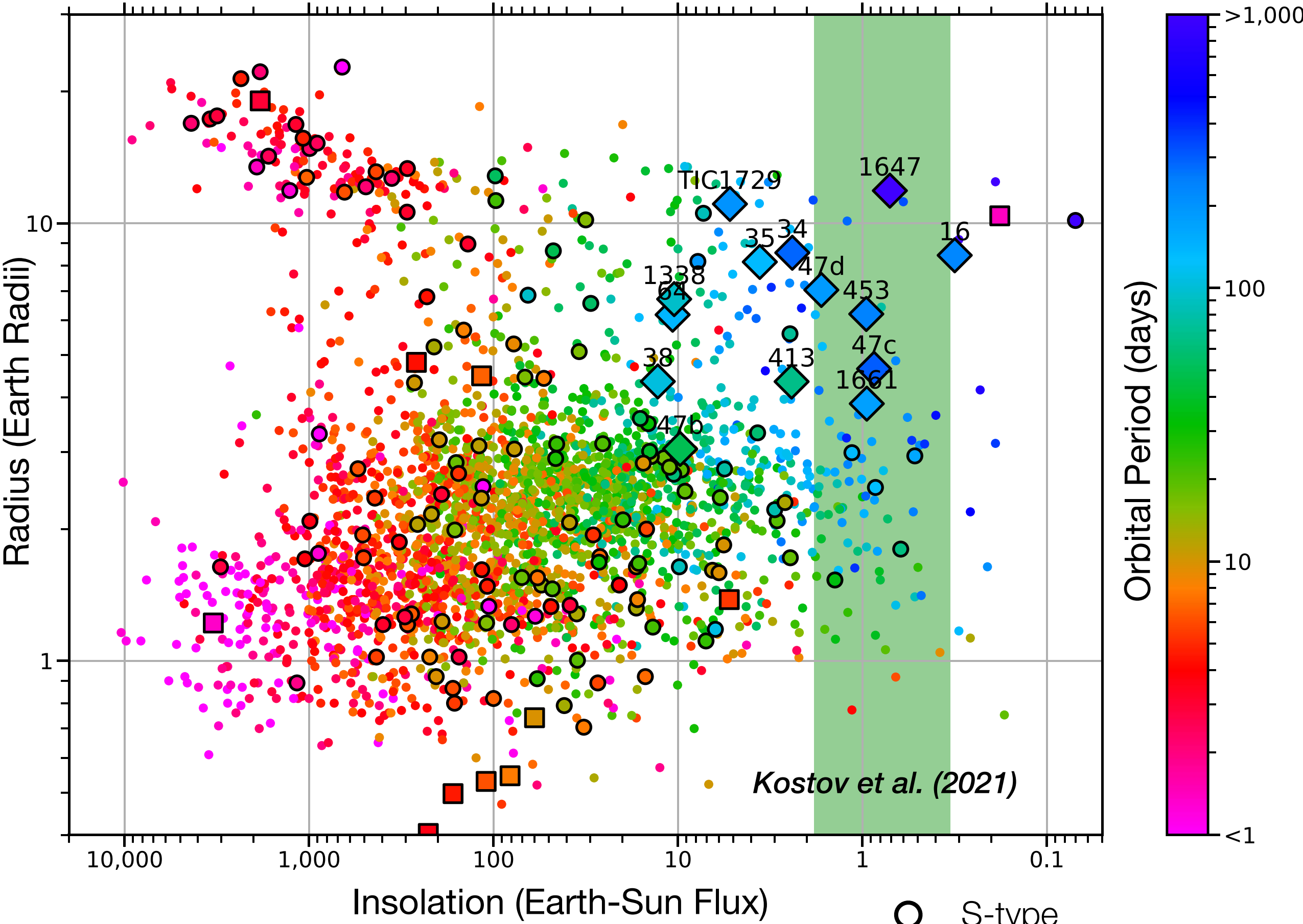
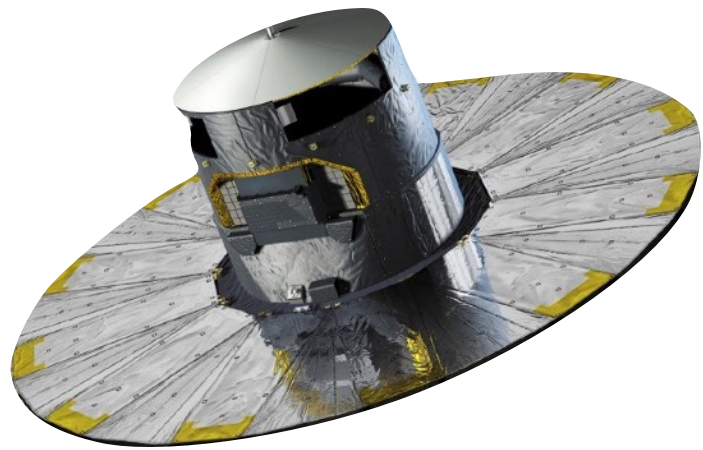


Before 2021



Today

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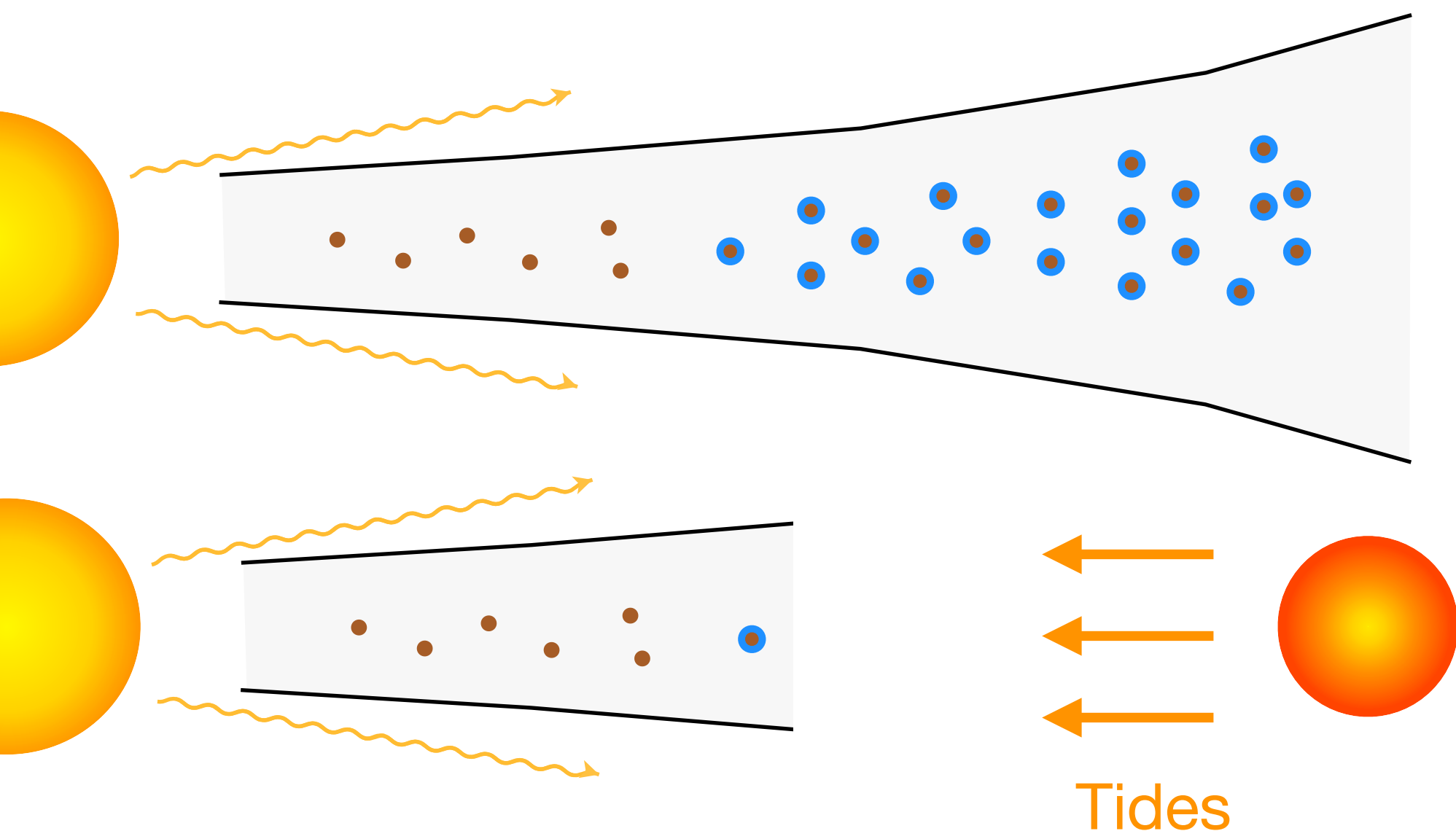
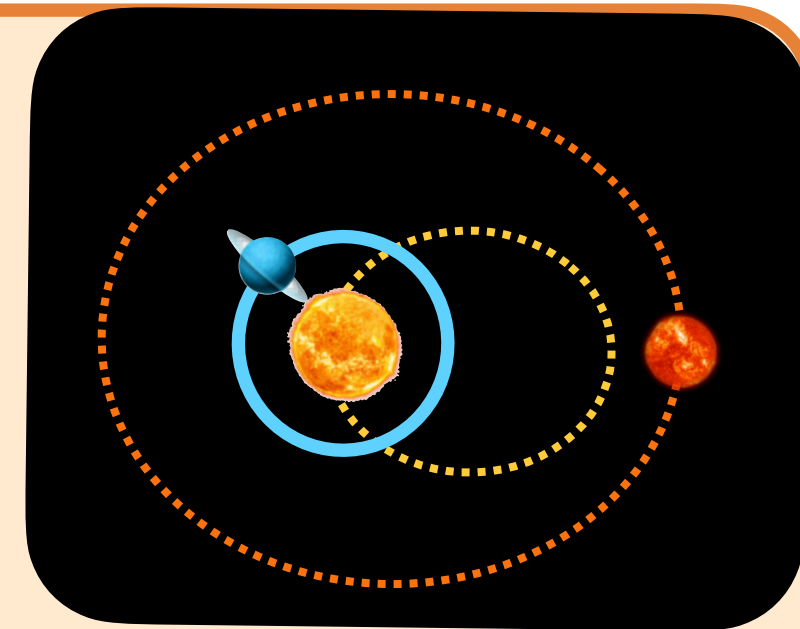


► Photometric surveys observe plenty of binaries => many transiting planets were detected in systems which were later revealed as binaries by *Gaia*.

S-type planets: what do we know?

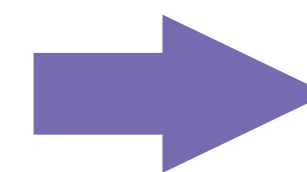
Observed statistical differences between S-type planets and single stars:

- Distribution of **planet mass and semi-major axis** is **different from single-stars** for $a_{\text{bin}} \lesssim 1000$ au (*Fontanive et al. 2021*).
- **Occurrence rate of giant planets drastically decreases** for $a_{\text{bin}} \lesssim 100$ au (from 20% to 4%) (*Hirsch et al. 2021*).
- Binaries hosting S-type planets (with $a_{\text{bin}} < 1000$ au) have the **peak of binary separation at 100 au**, while for **field binaries the peak is at 50 au** (*Lester et al. 2021*).
- The **population of mini-Neptunes seems to be suppressed** for $a_{\text{bin}} \lesssim 100$ au compared to single stars (*Sullivan et al. 2024*).



- The environment where S-type planets form can be very different from the single-star case:

- **Disc truncation and heating** induced by the **tides of the stellar companion**.
- **Gravitational perturbation from the stellar companion**.

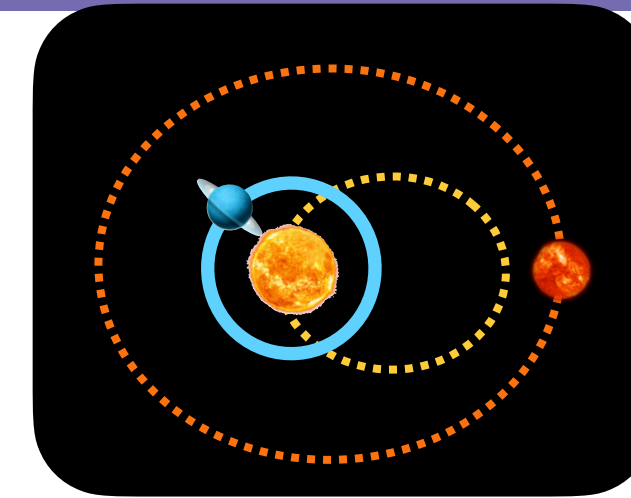


**Affects the outcome of planet formation
and the long-term dynamical evolution**

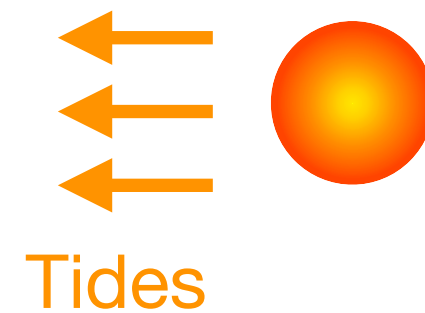
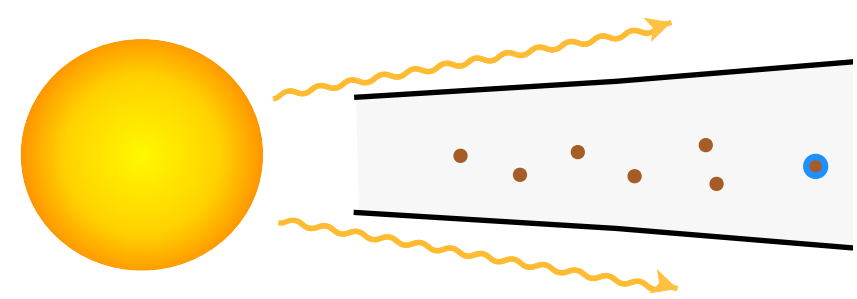
(e.g. *Kley & Nelson 2007, Alexander et al. 2011, Zagaria et al. 2021, Ronco et al. 2021, Venturini et al. subm., Nigioni et al. subm.*)

The PAIRS project: Planet formation Around bInaRy Stars

Goal: to adapt the *Bern Model* of planet formation and evolution (Alibert et al. 2005, Mordasini et al. 2009, Fortier et al. 2013, Emsenhuber et al. 2021) to **binary stars** to conduct **population synthesis** studies.

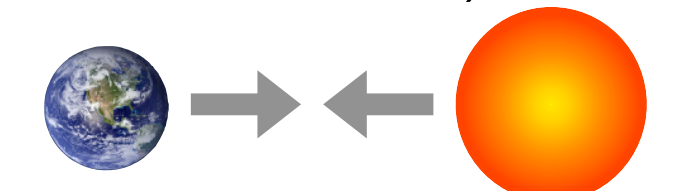


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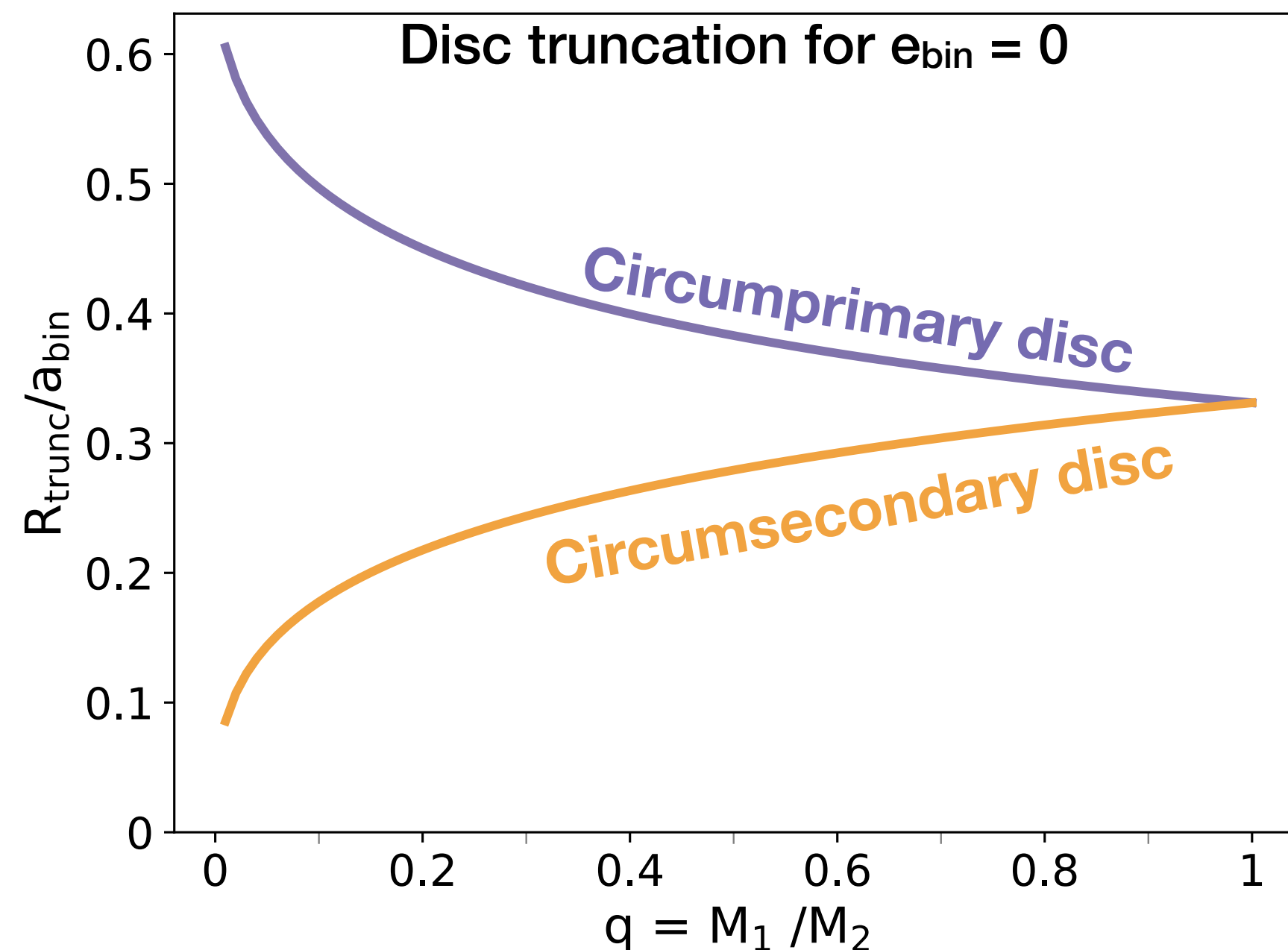


Physical effects included:

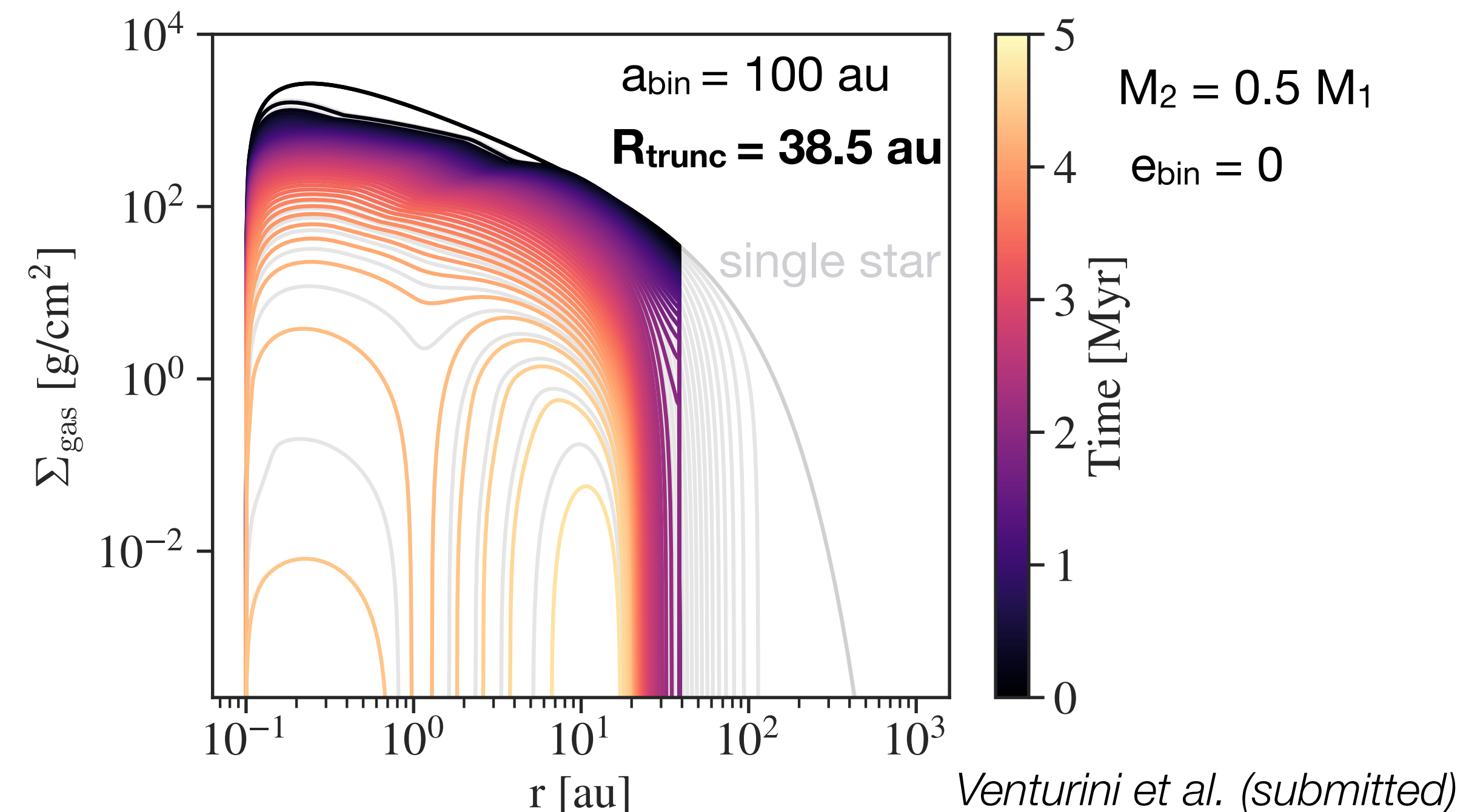
- Tidal disc truncation and heating induced by the **stellar companion** (Venturini et al. *subm.*)
- Gravitational interaction with the **stellar companion** (Nigioni et al. *subm.*)



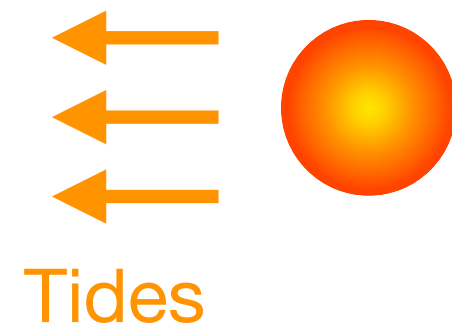
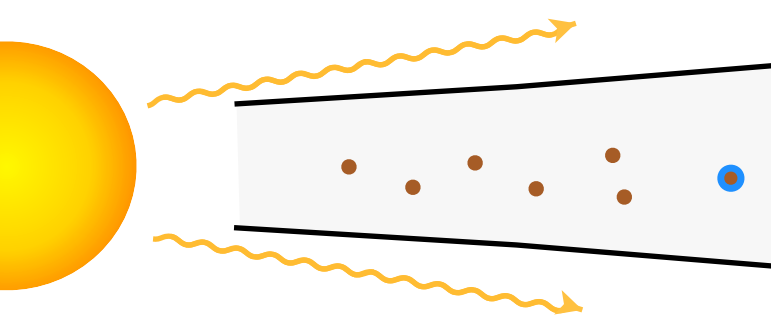
Gravitational interaction



Fits from Manara et al. 2019, based on calculations of Artymowicz & Lubow 1994



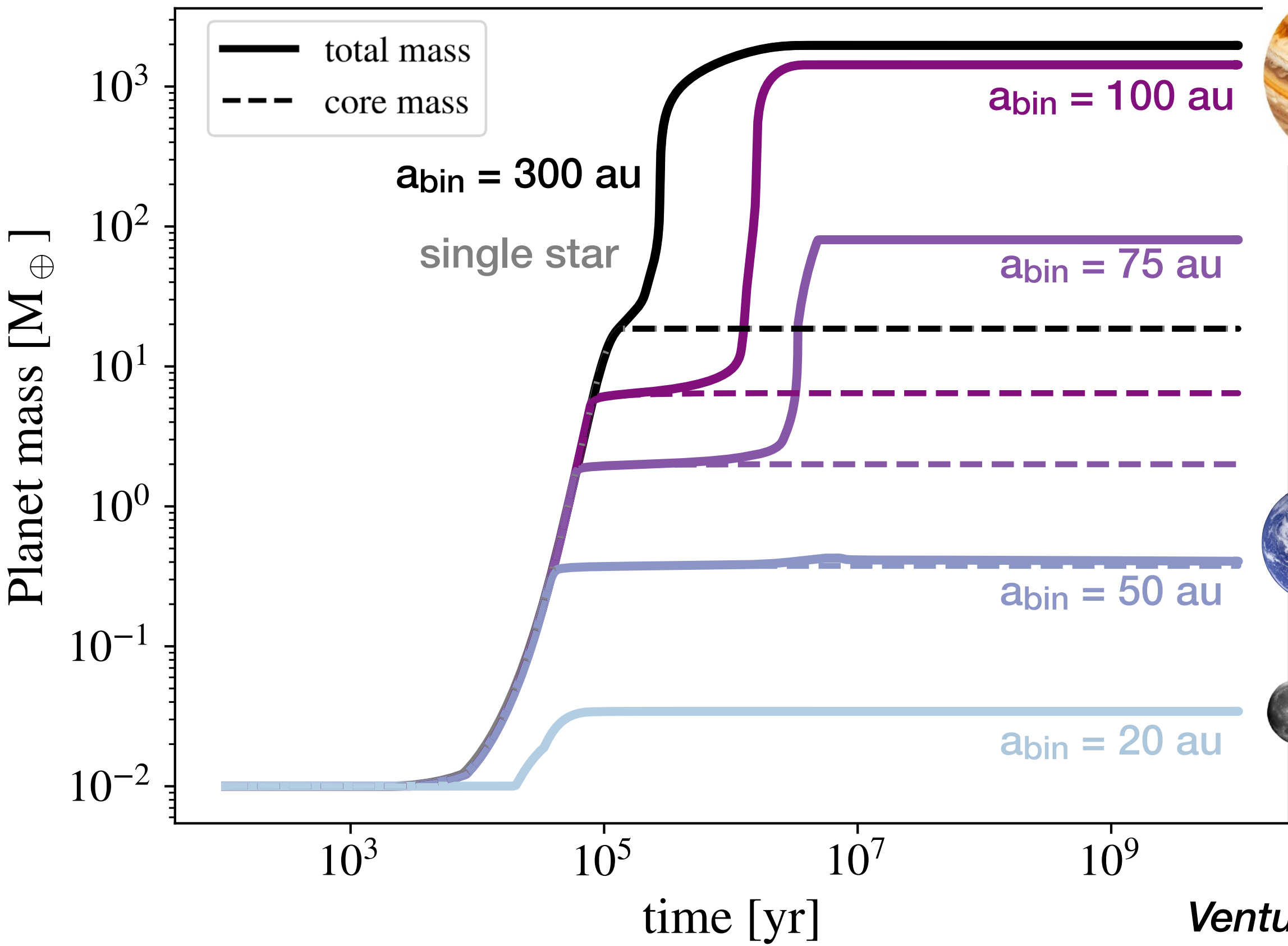
Effect of disc truncation on planet growth: shut-off of pebble supply



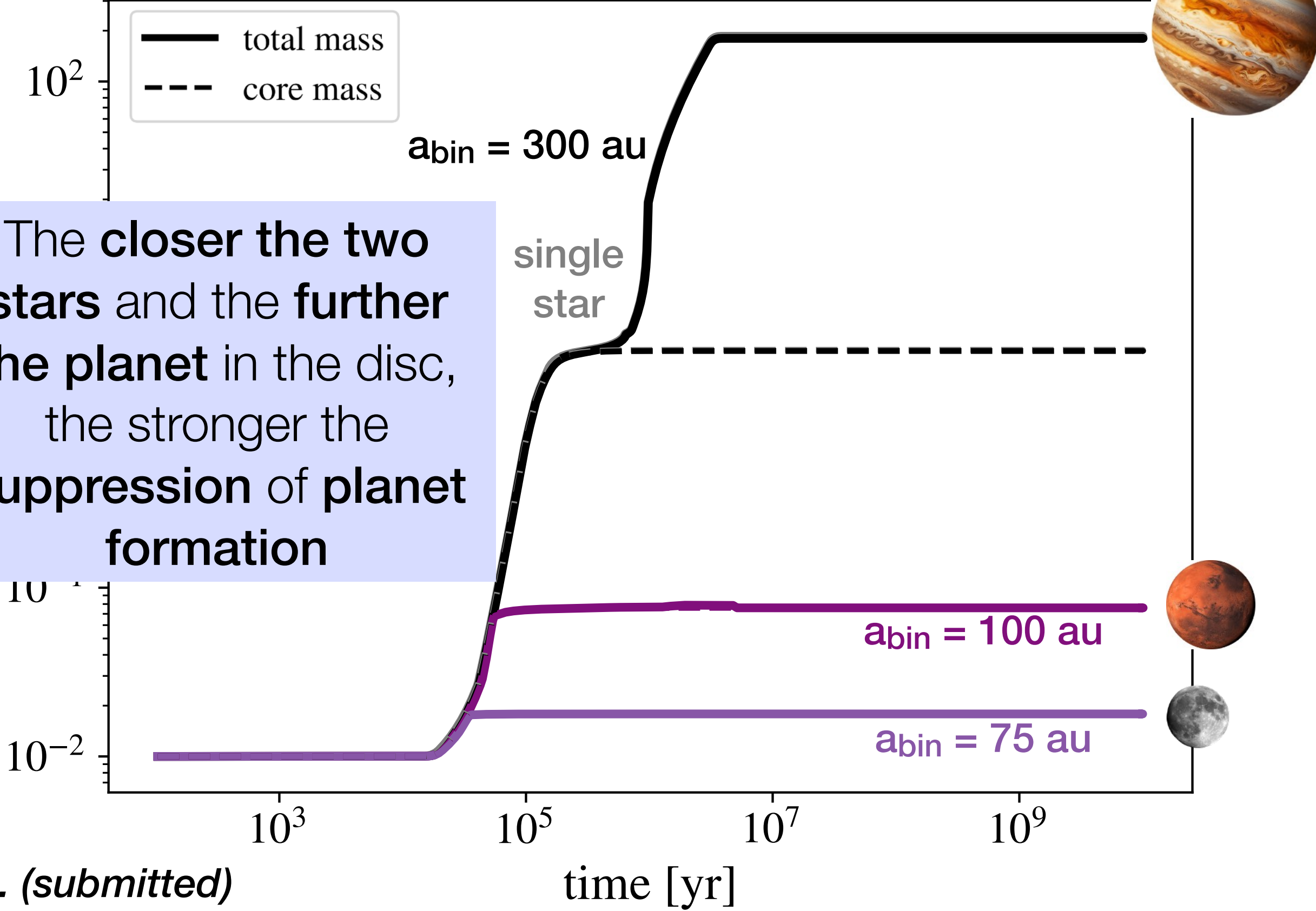
- Disc gas evolution with disc truncation + tidal heating + direct irradiation from secondary.
- Dust evolution (from μm - to pebble-sizes, *Birnstiel+2011*).
- Moon-mass embryo grows by pebble and gas accretion (envelope opacities: $0.01\times$ BL94).

$M_1 = 1\ M_\odot$
 $M_2 = 0.5\ M_\odot$
 $M_{\text{disc}} = 0.1\ M_\odot$
 $\alpha = 10^{-3}$

Planet grows in-situ at 5 au



Planet grows in-situ at 20 au



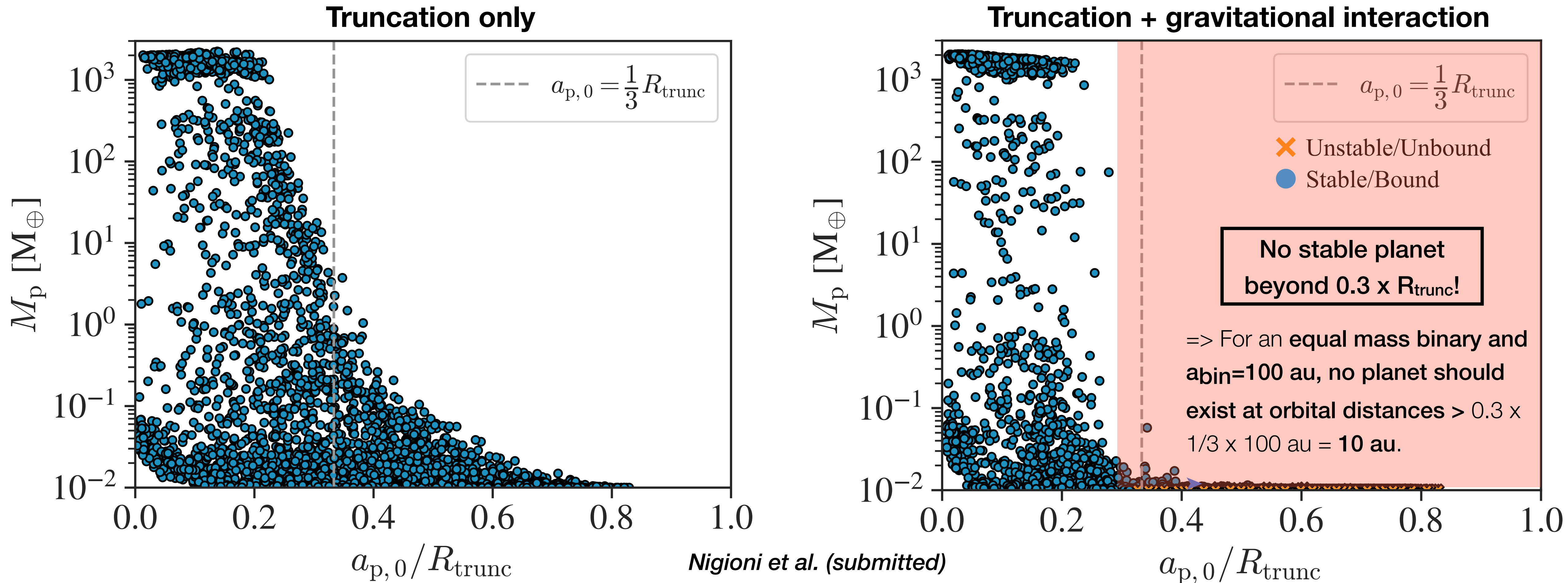
The **closer the two stars** and the **further the planet** in the disc, the stronger the **suppression of planet formation**

Venturini et al. (submitted)

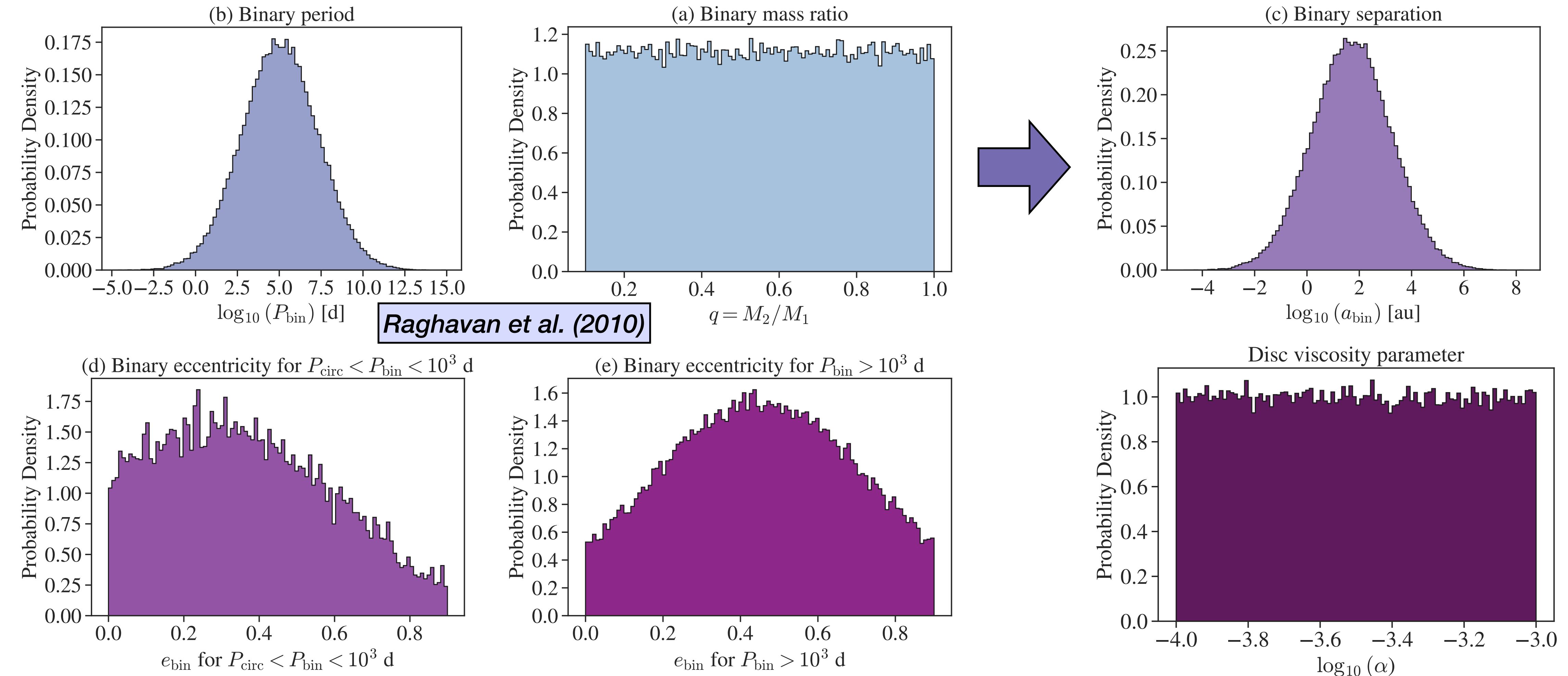
Effect of gravitational perturbation from the secondary

- **In-situ**, grid of 5000 simulations, 1 embryo per system.

$$M_1 = 1 M_\odot \quad M_2 = 0.1 - 1 M_\odot \quad a_{\text{bin}} = 10 - 1000 \text{ au} \quad e_{\text{bin}} = 0 - 0.9 \quad M_{\text{disc}} = 0.1 M_\odot \quad \alpha = 10^{-3} \quad 1 \text{ embryo}$$



Population synthesis: distributions of binary parameters (initial conditions)



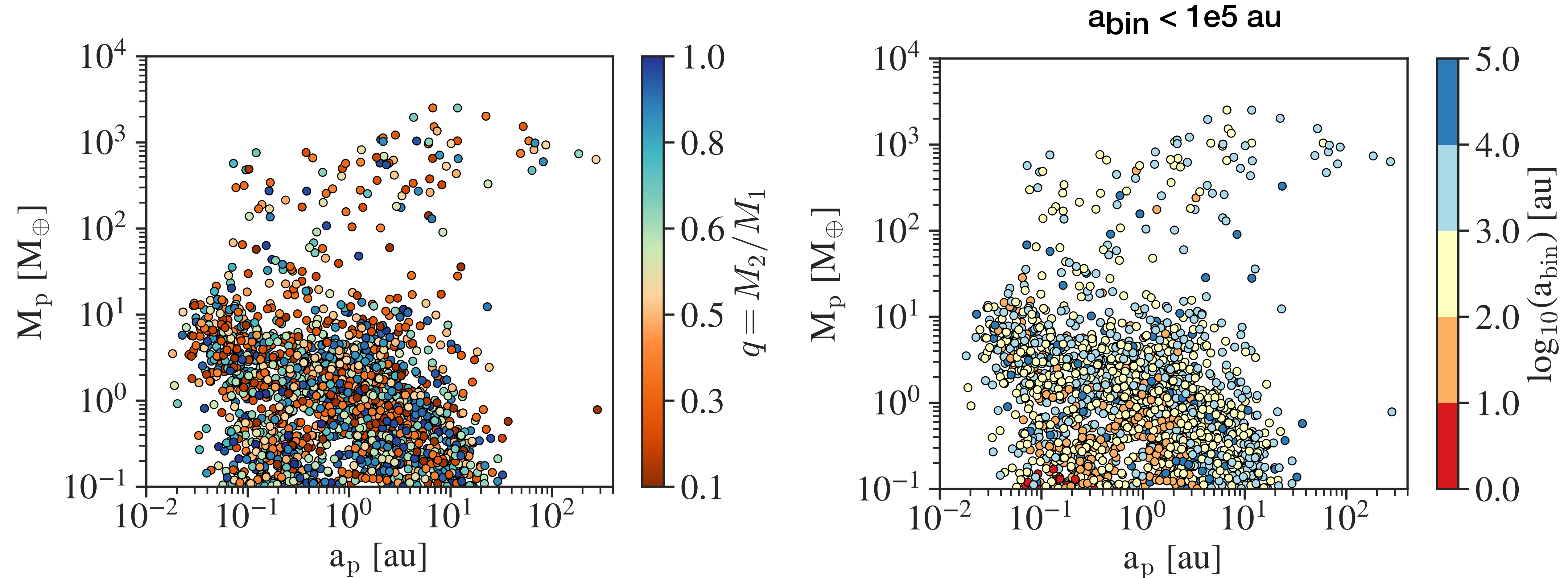
1000 systems, 20 embryos per system:

- Still running: 84 systems
- No gas disc: 128 simulations $\rightarrow a_{\text{bin}} < 3$ au.
- 81 simulations with errors

707 analysed systems \rightarrow 14048 planets (all M_{p} , stable or ejected) \rightarrow 2049 planets (with $M_{\text{p}} > 0.1 M_{\text{E}}$ and stable)

Population synthesis: output after formation + evolution

- Formation until disc dispersal
- 20 Myr of N-body
- 10 Gyr evolution with photoevaporation



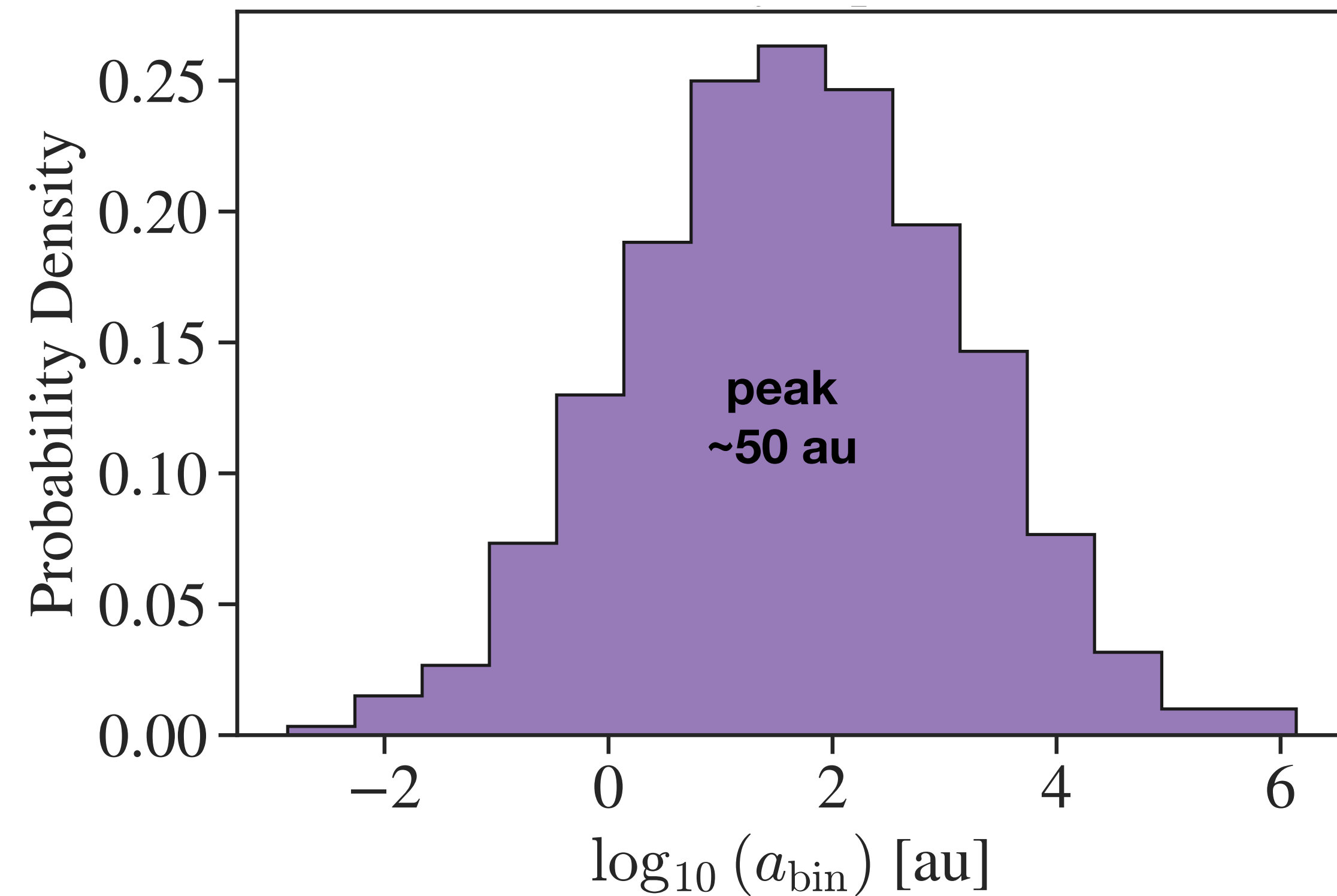
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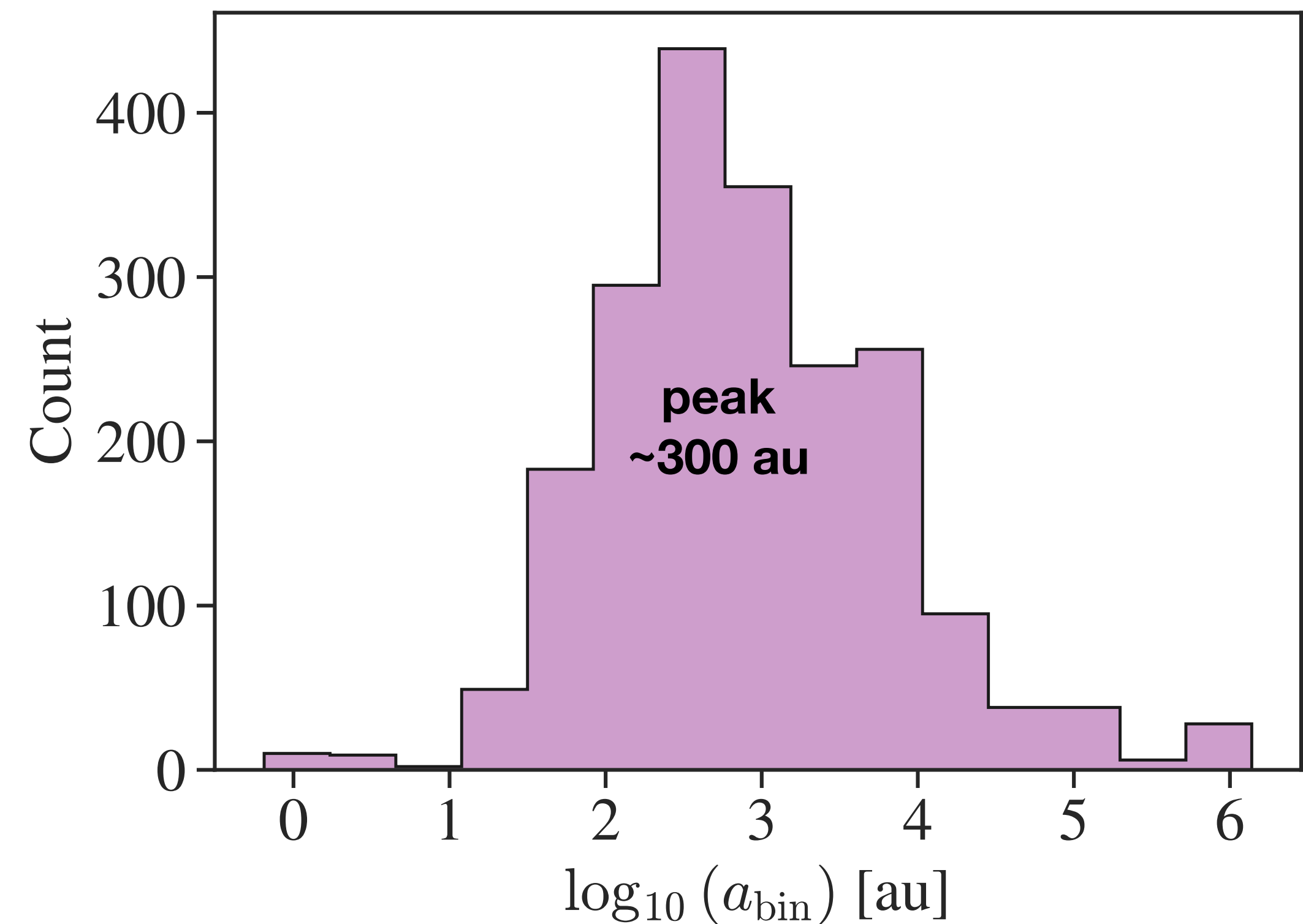
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Distribution of binary semi-major axis

All binaries (initial conditions)



Binaries that formed planets

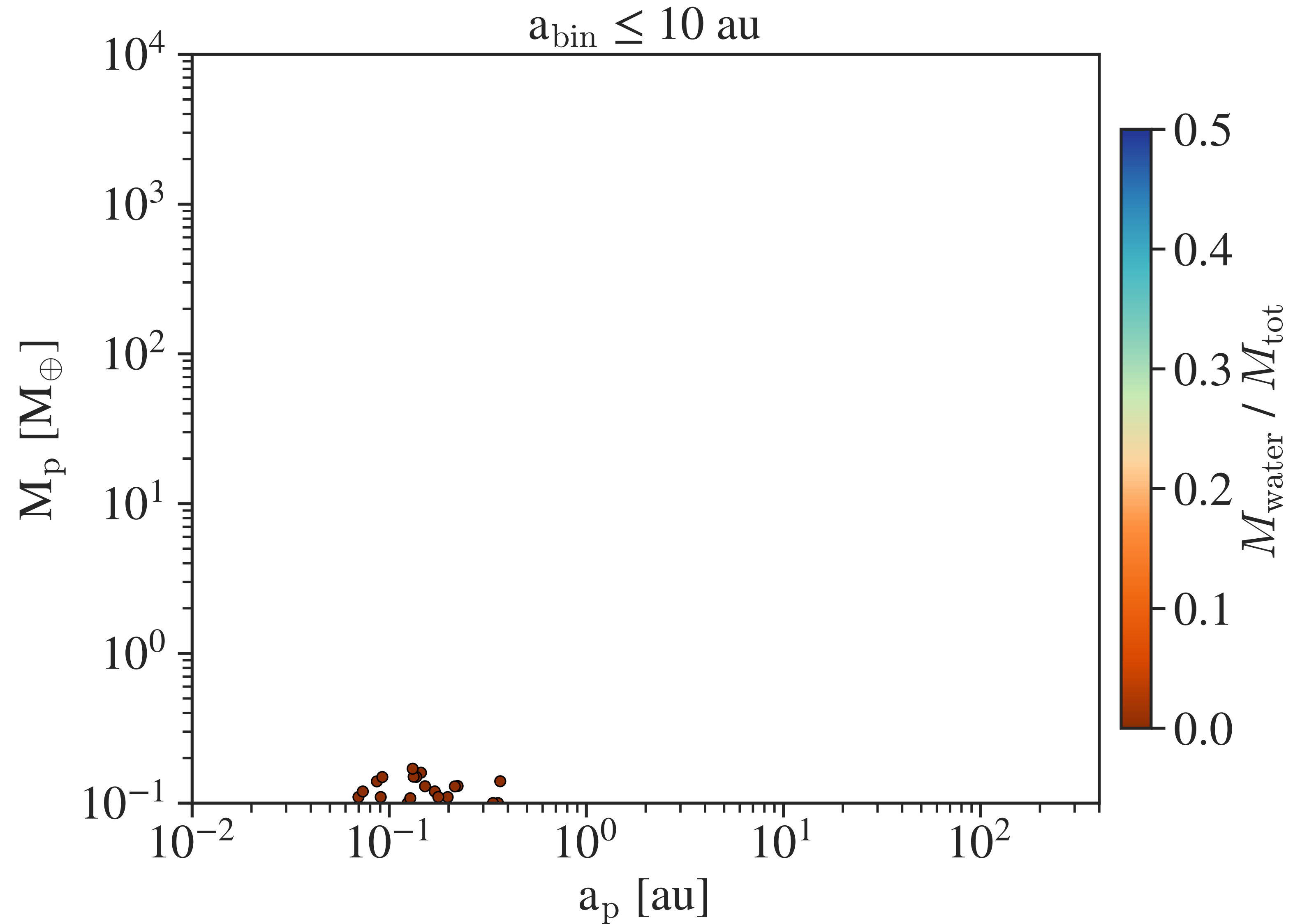


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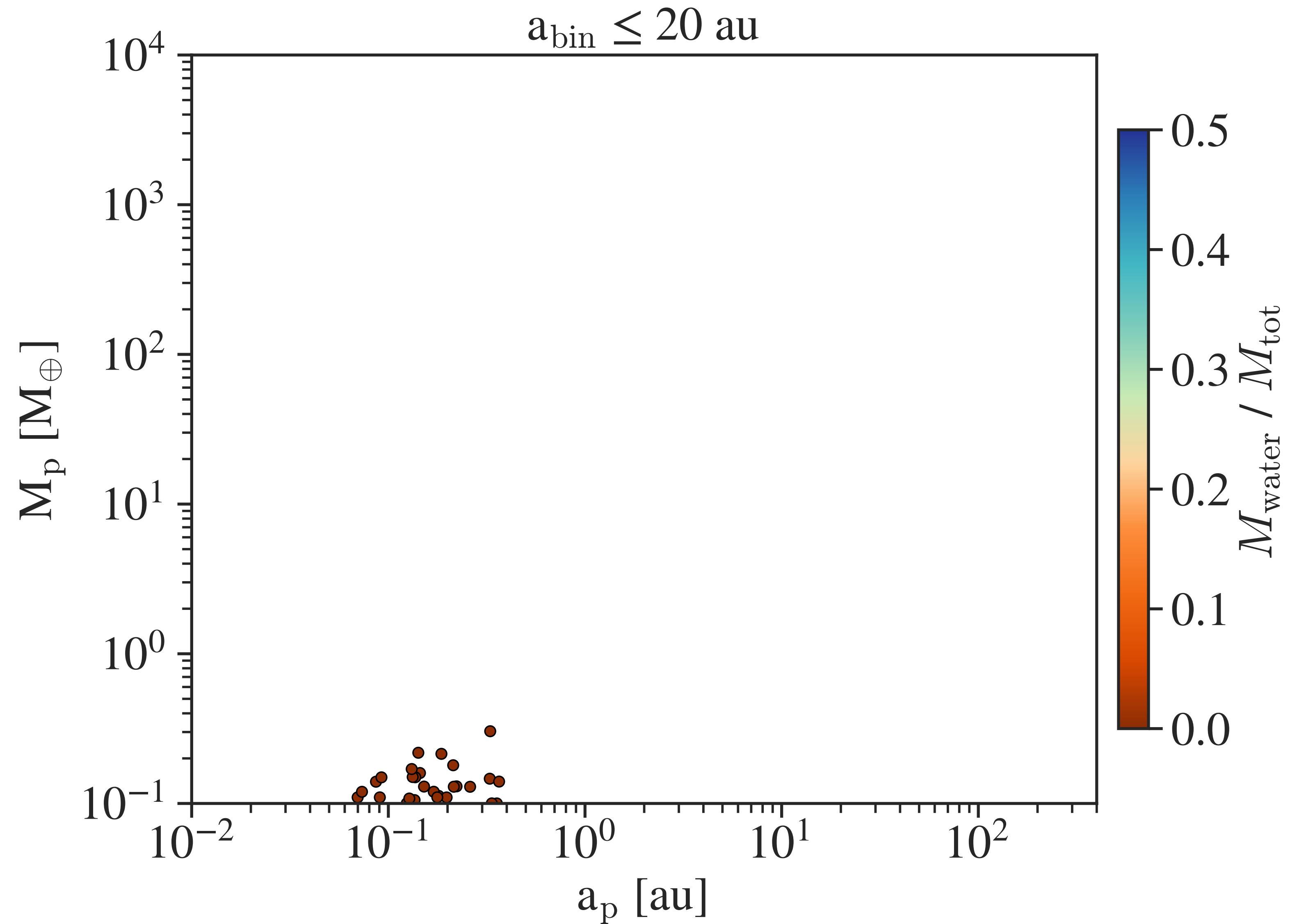
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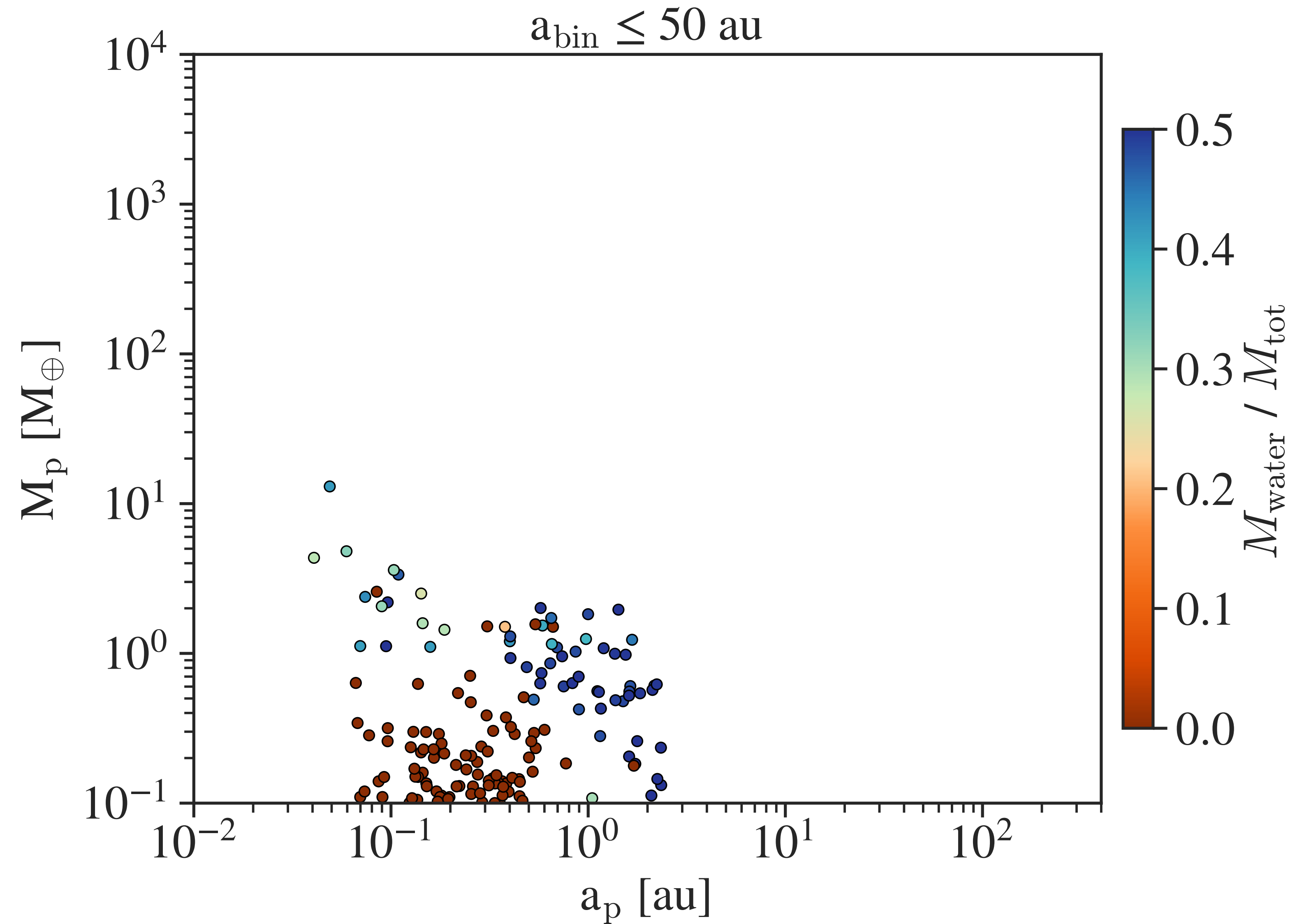
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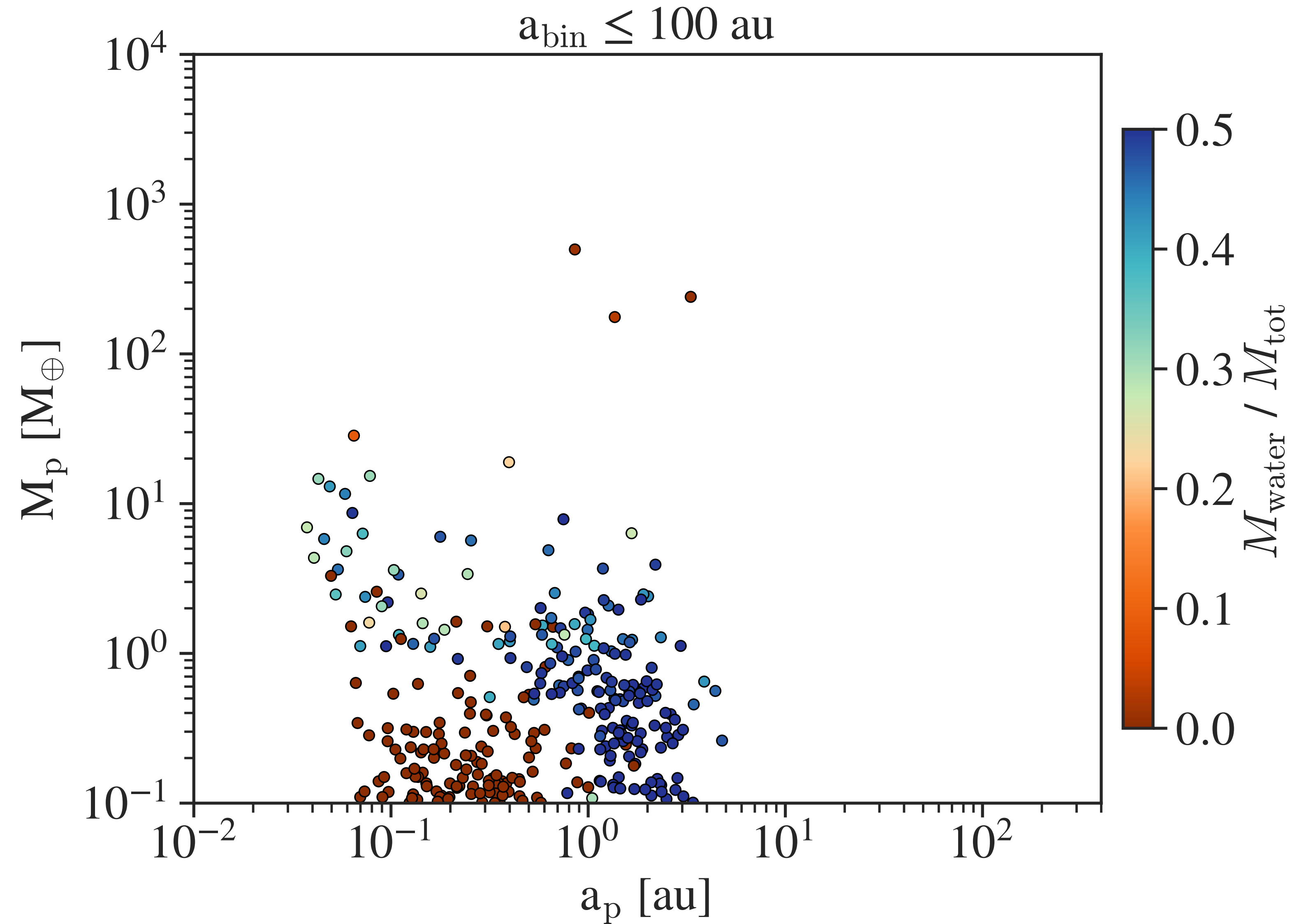
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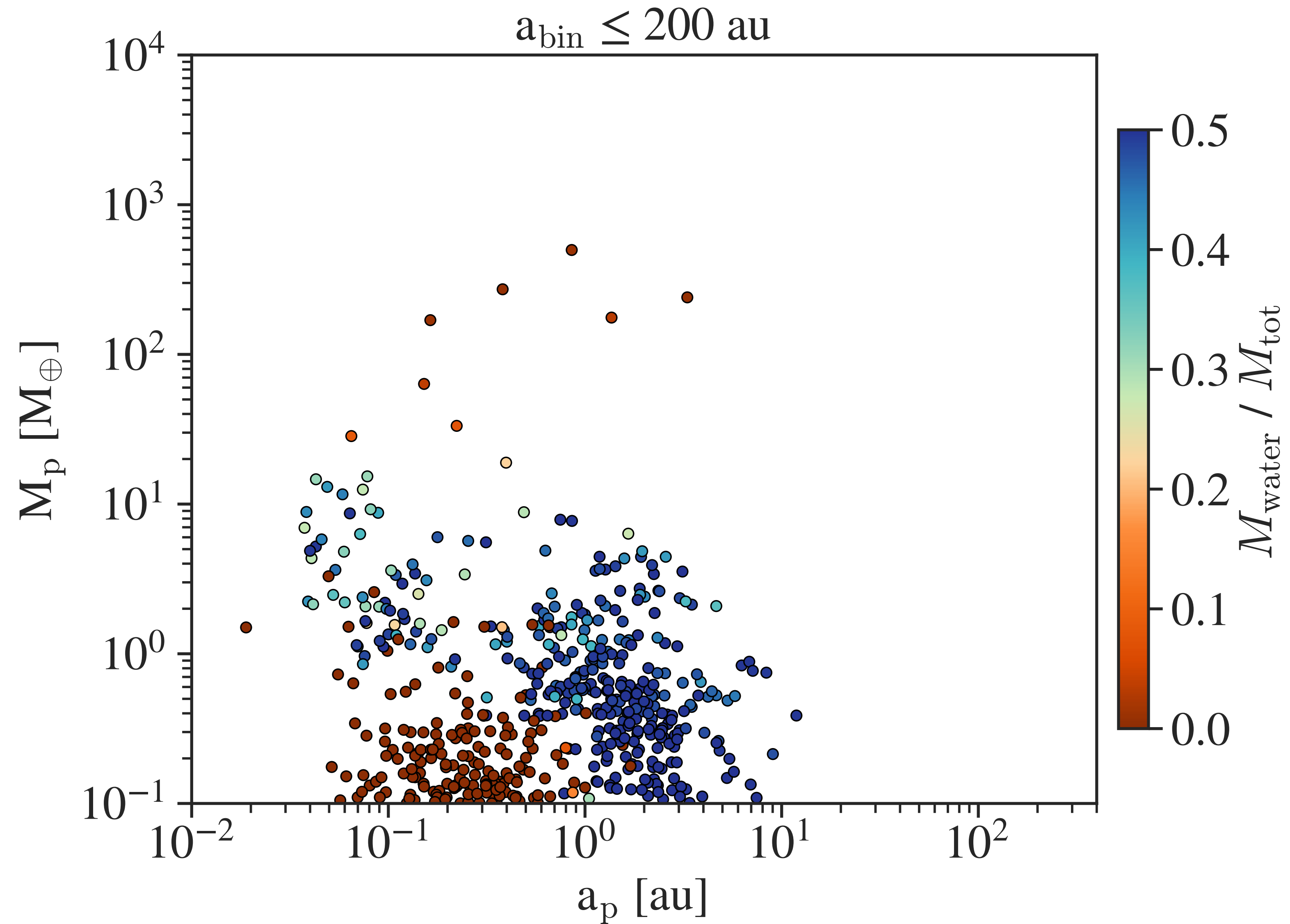
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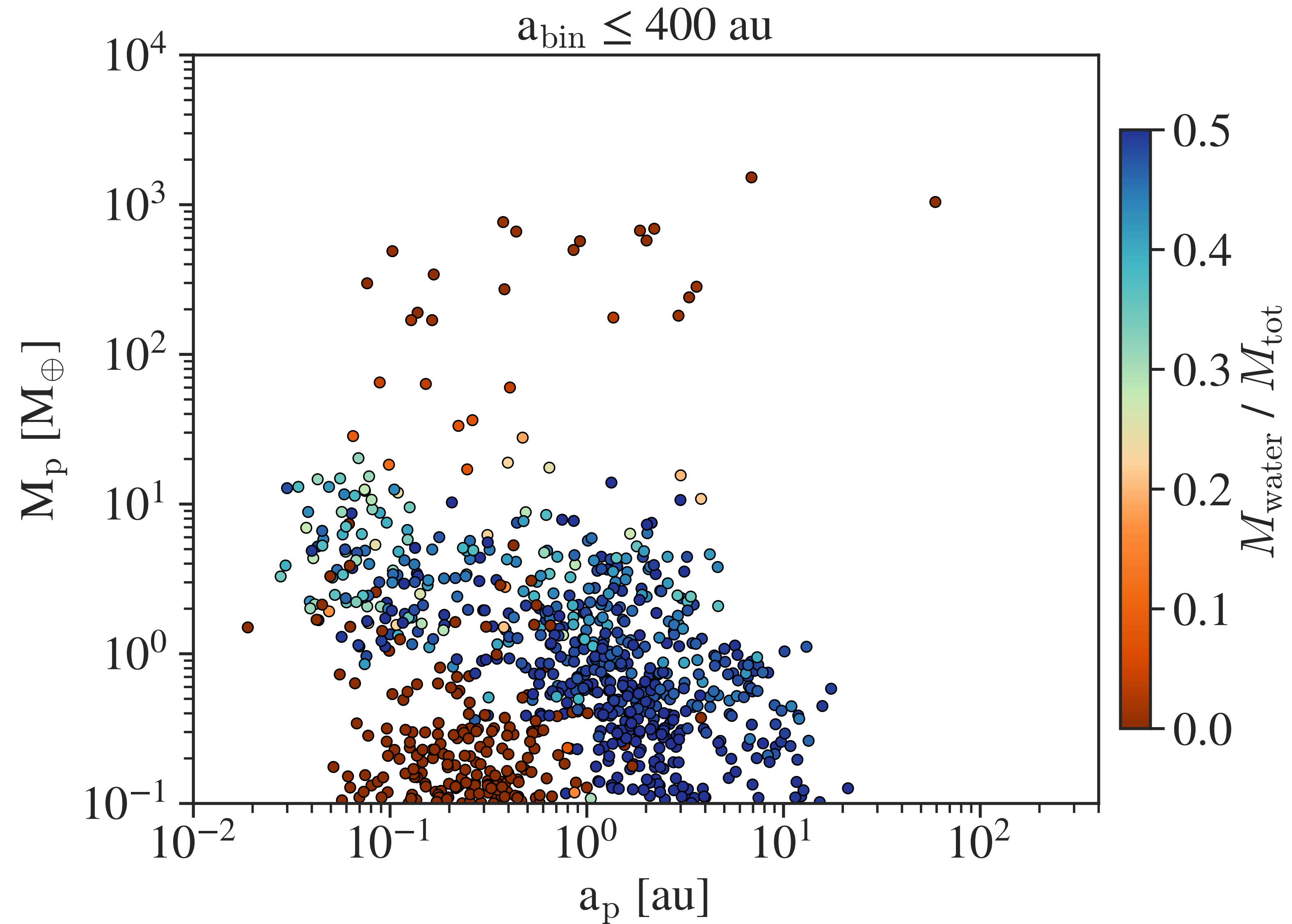
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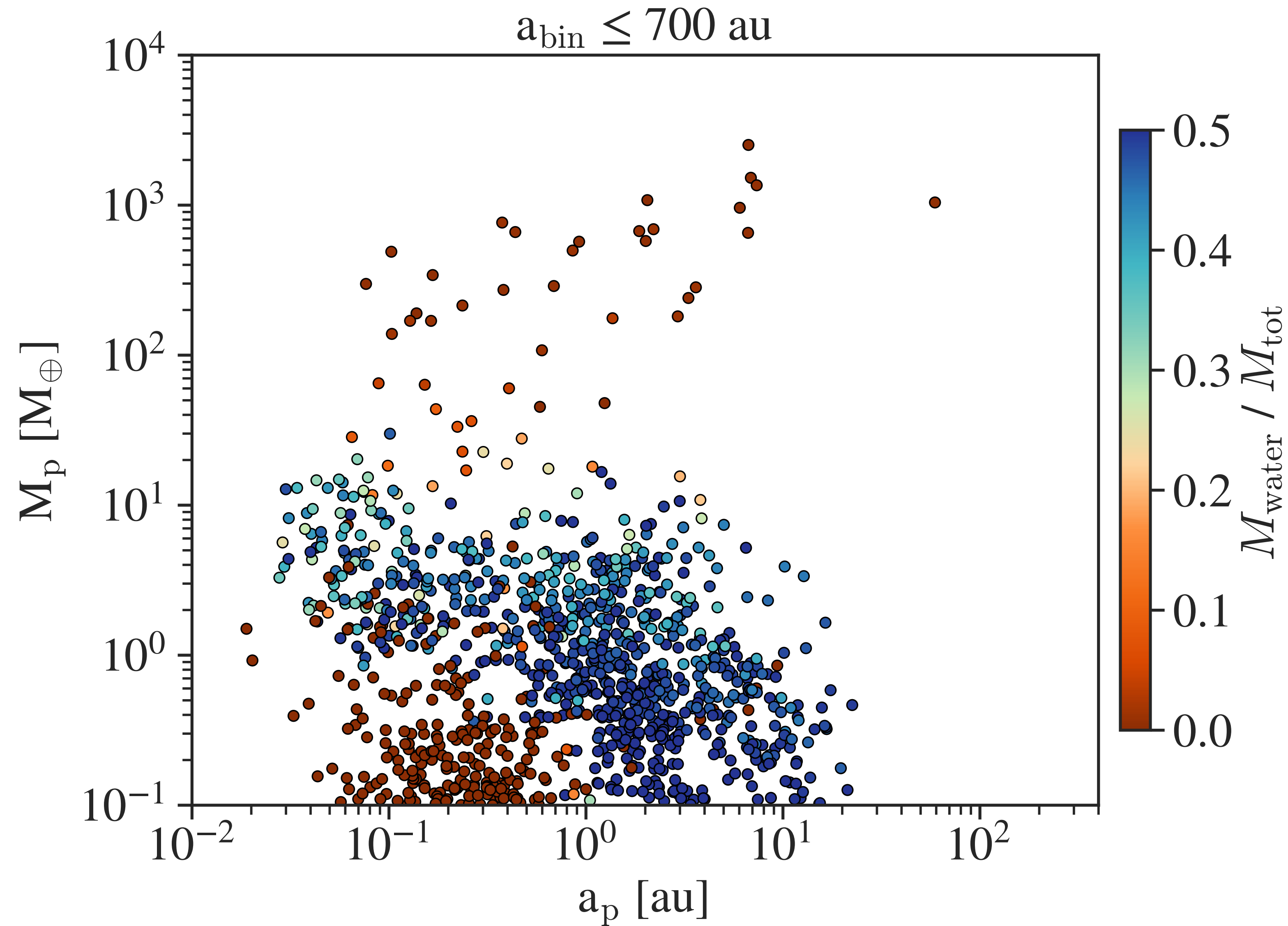
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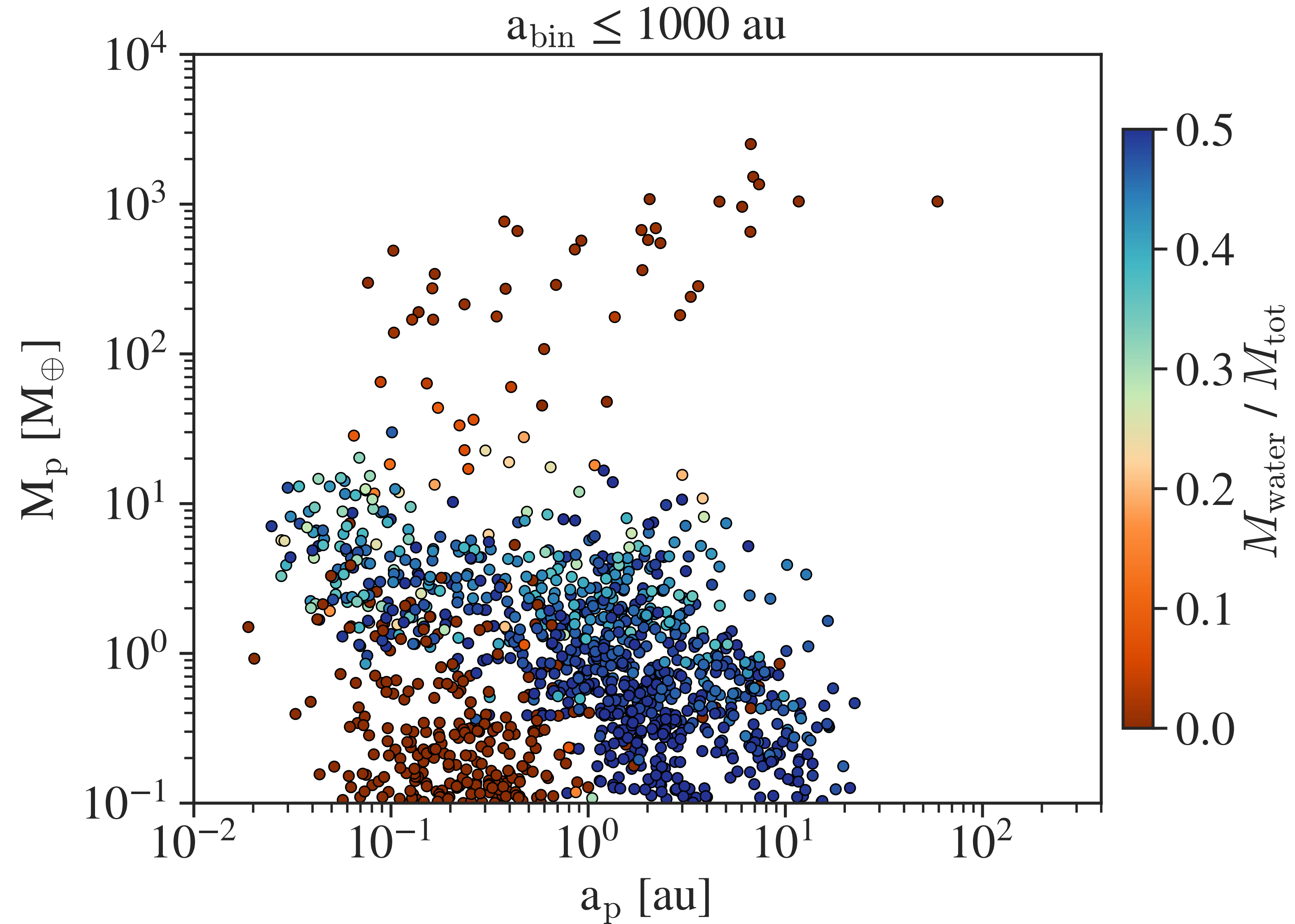
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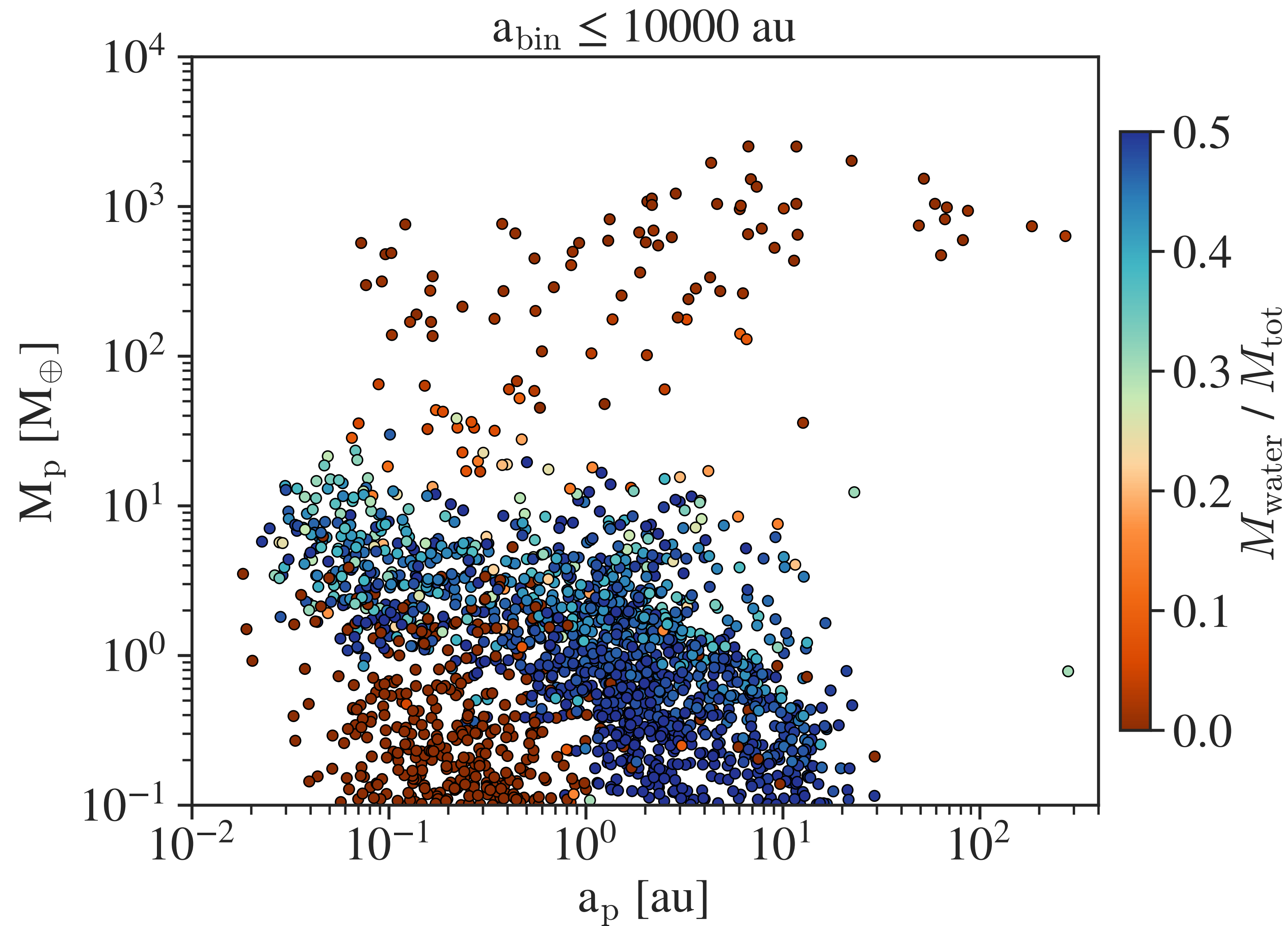
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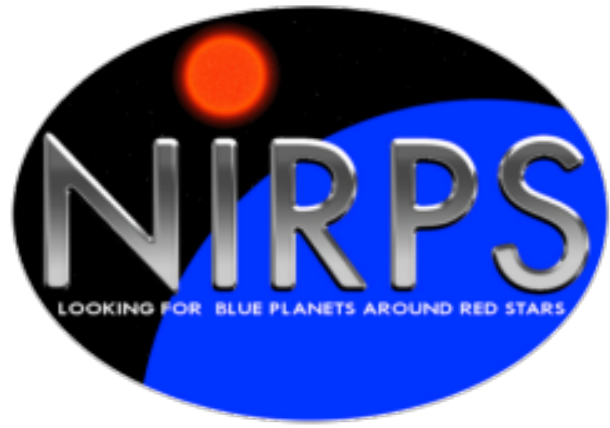
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S-type planets with NIRPS & PlanetS catalog



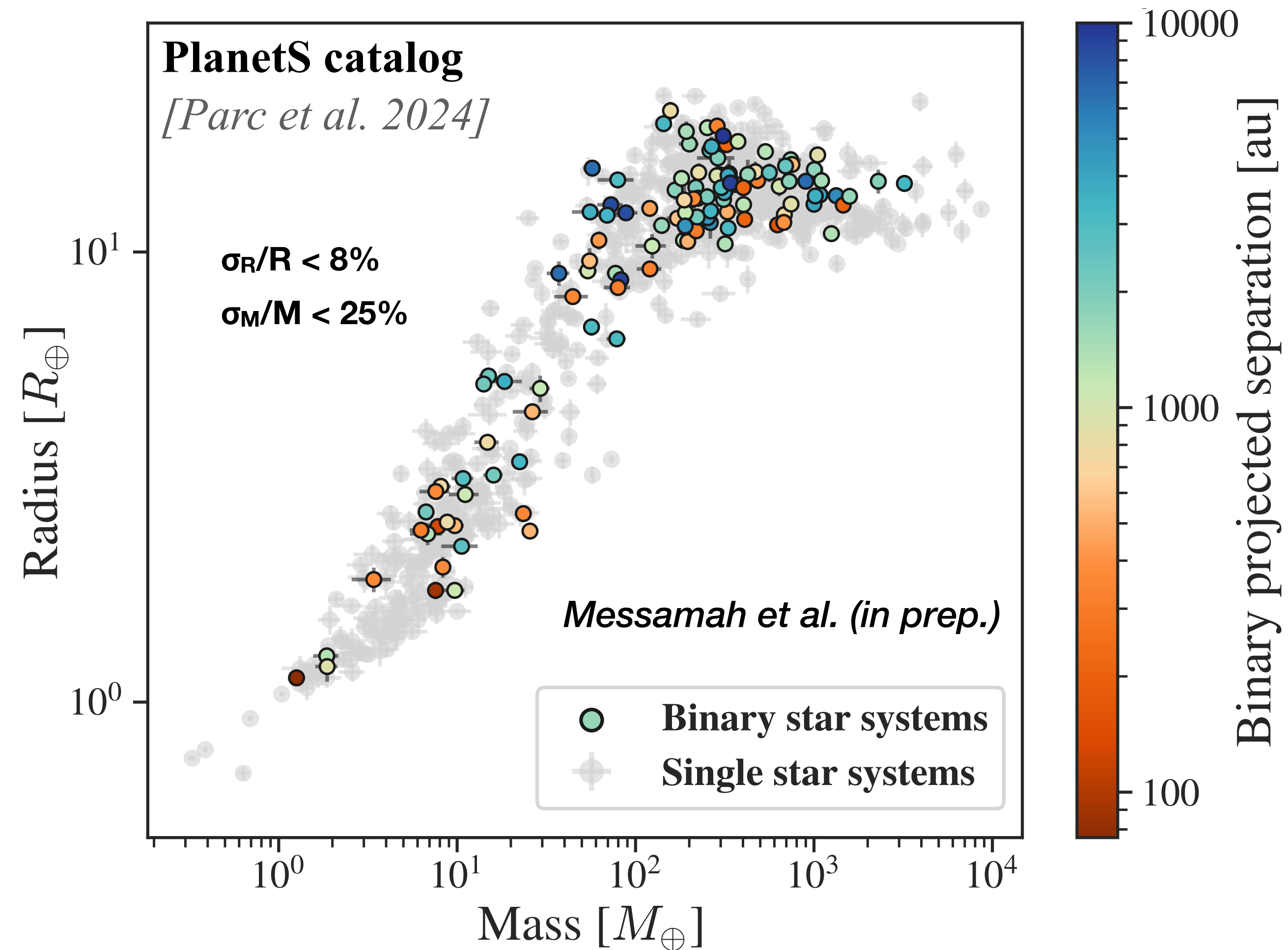
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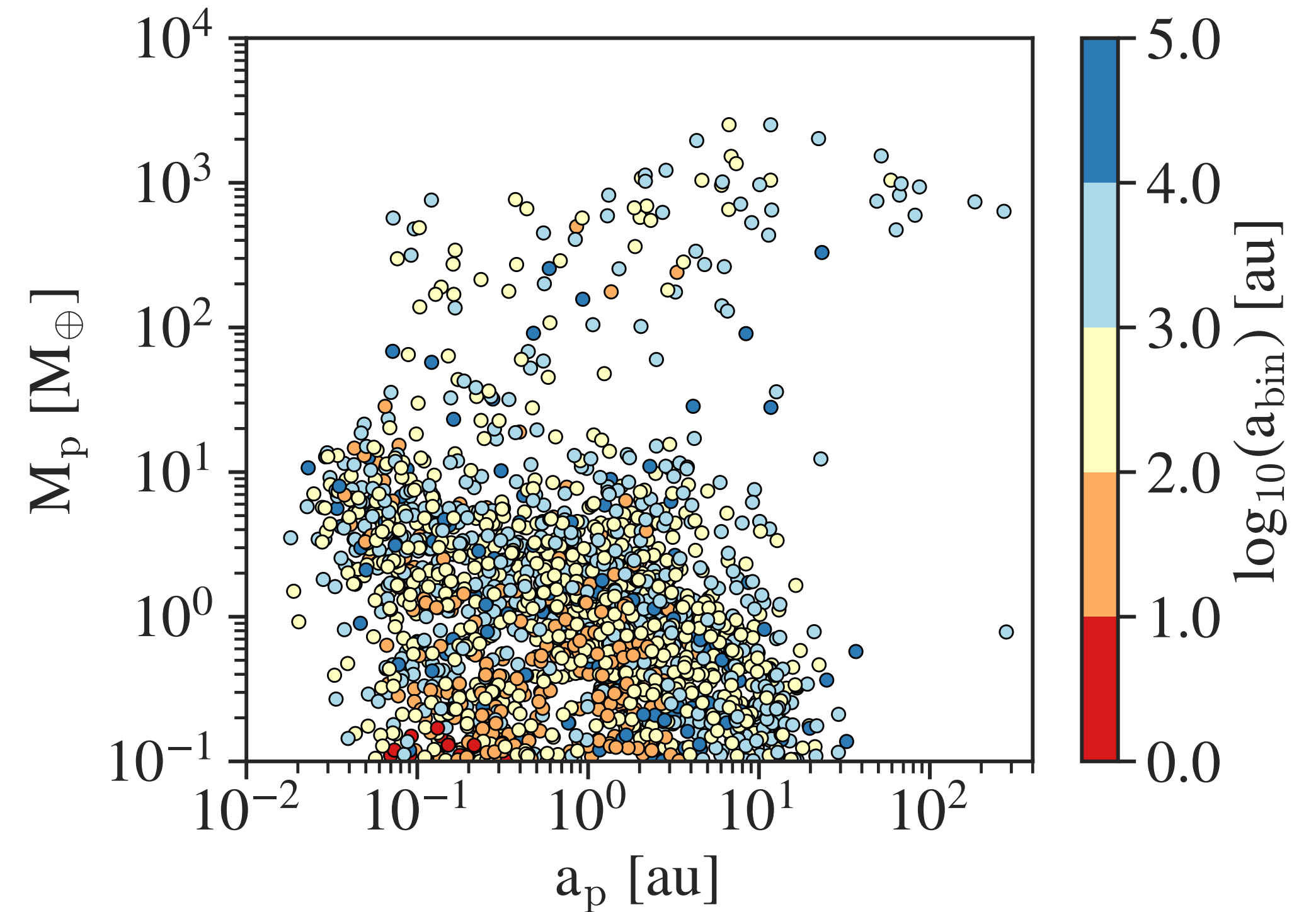
- Ongoing efforts to expand the planets in binary sample at angular separations $< 2''$ with NIRPS.
- Targets: transiting S-type planet candidates **around K- to M-dwarf hosts.**
- High-resolution follow-up to confirm new S-type planets.



Summary

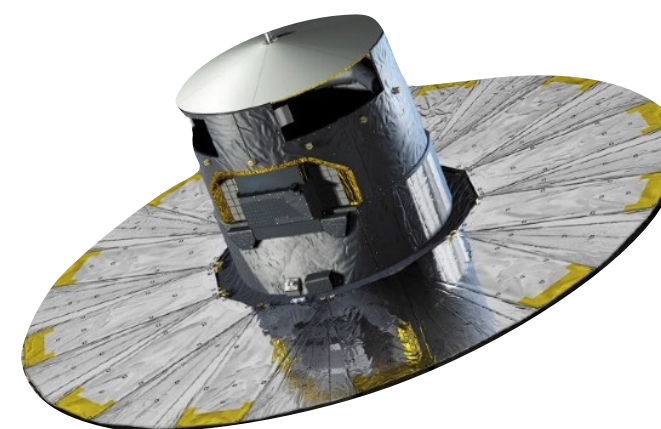
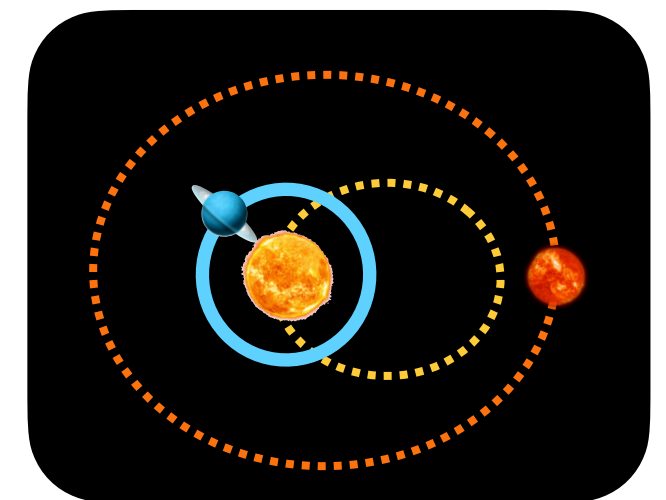
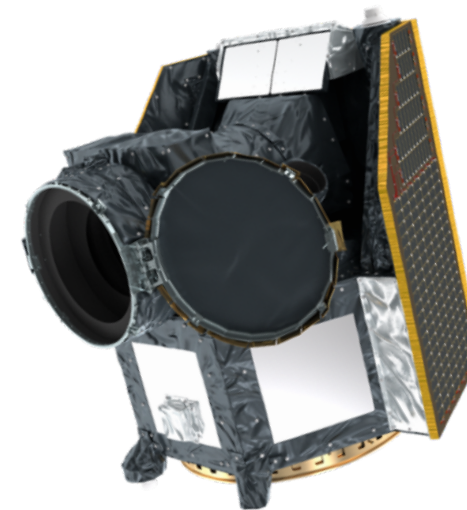
Theory:

- S-type planet formation by pebble accretion is severely affected by disc truncation for $a_{\text{bin}} < 50\text{-}100$ au.
- During formation, the S-type planets become unstable if located beyond $\sim 0.3 \times R_{\text{trunc}}$. \Rightarrow Outer limit to S-type planetary systems that can be tested observationally.
- (Preliminar) Pop. Synthesis:
 - min. a_{bin} to form Earth-mass planets: ~ 30 au
 - min. a_{bin} to form giant planets ($M_p > 100 M_E$): ~ 80 au
 - Far-out giant planets ($a_p \sim 50\text{-}300$ au) appear for $a_{\text{bin}} \sim 1000\text{-}10'000$ au \rightarrow to be investigated!



Observations:

- **CHEOPS** is allowing to identify the planet-hosting star in S-type binaries and to refine the planet radius.
- Ongoing efforts with **NIRPS** to confirm S-type planets around M- and K-dwarfs for angular separations $< 2''$.
- **WG on S-type planets** within the **PLATO** Consortium: synergy with **GAIA DR4**.



Thank you for
your attention!