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# THE IMPRINT OF X-RAY PHOTOEVAPORATION ON THE ORBITAL DISTRIBUTION OF GIANT PLANETS

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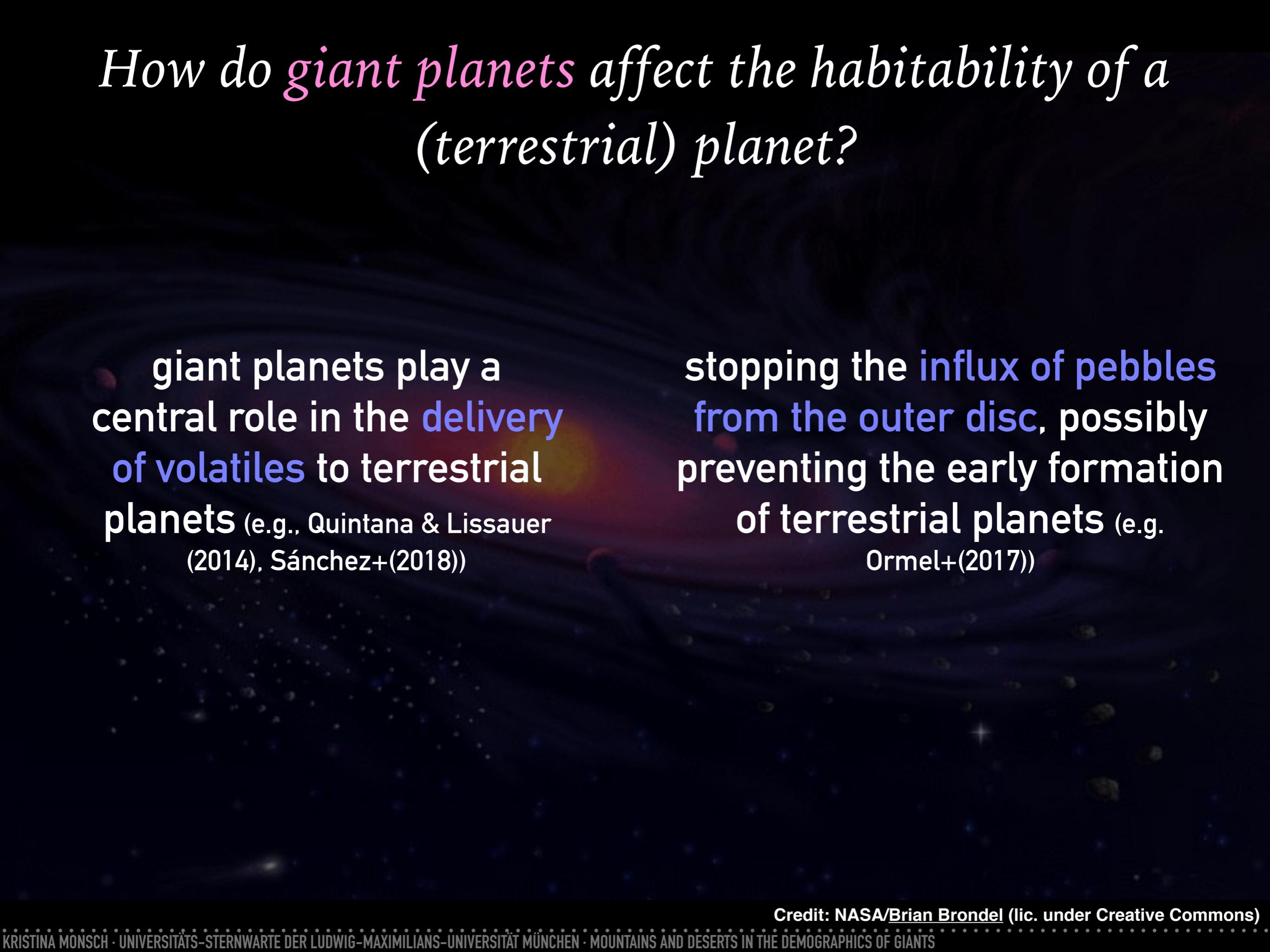
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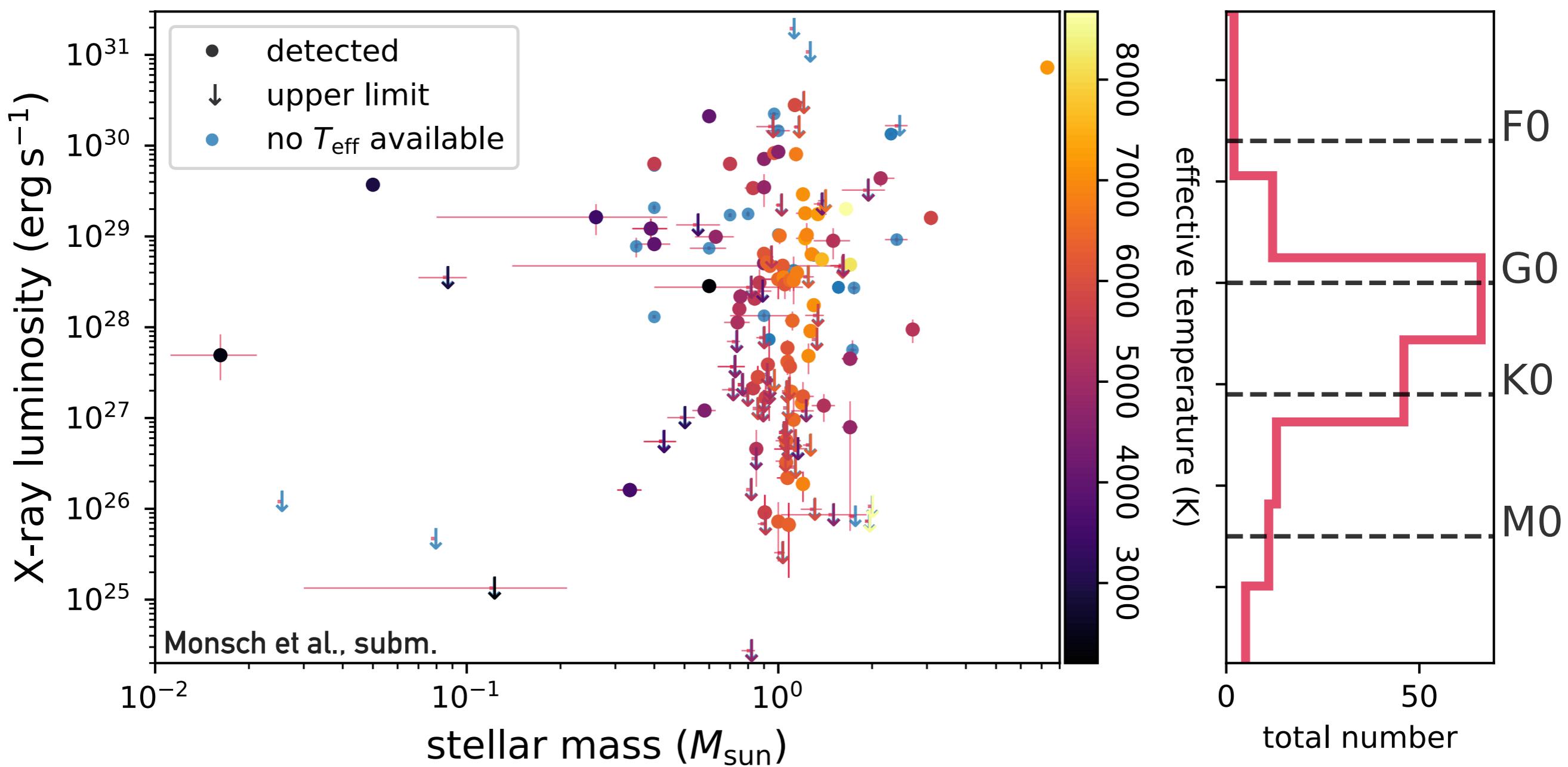
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through their location in a system

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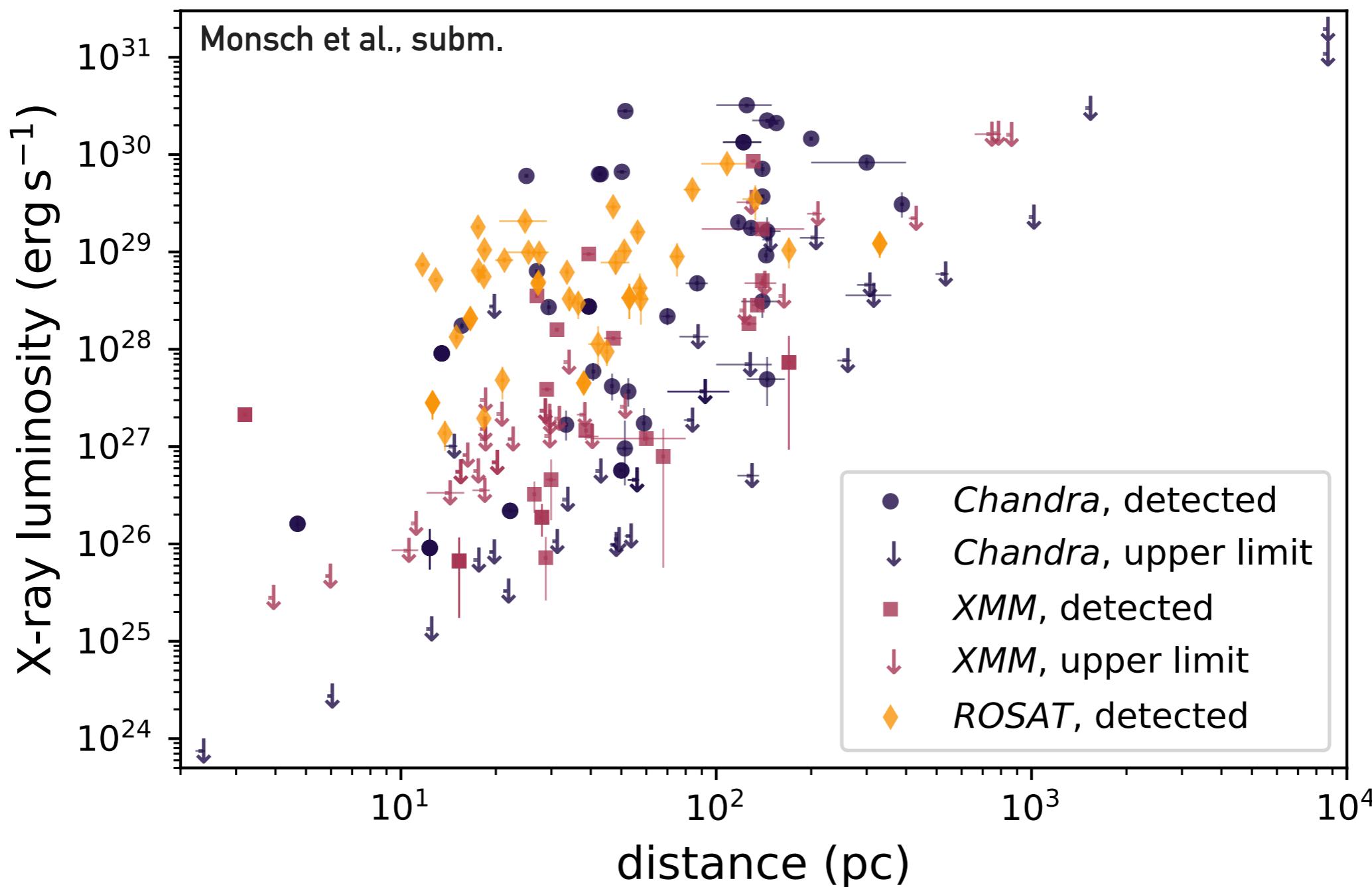
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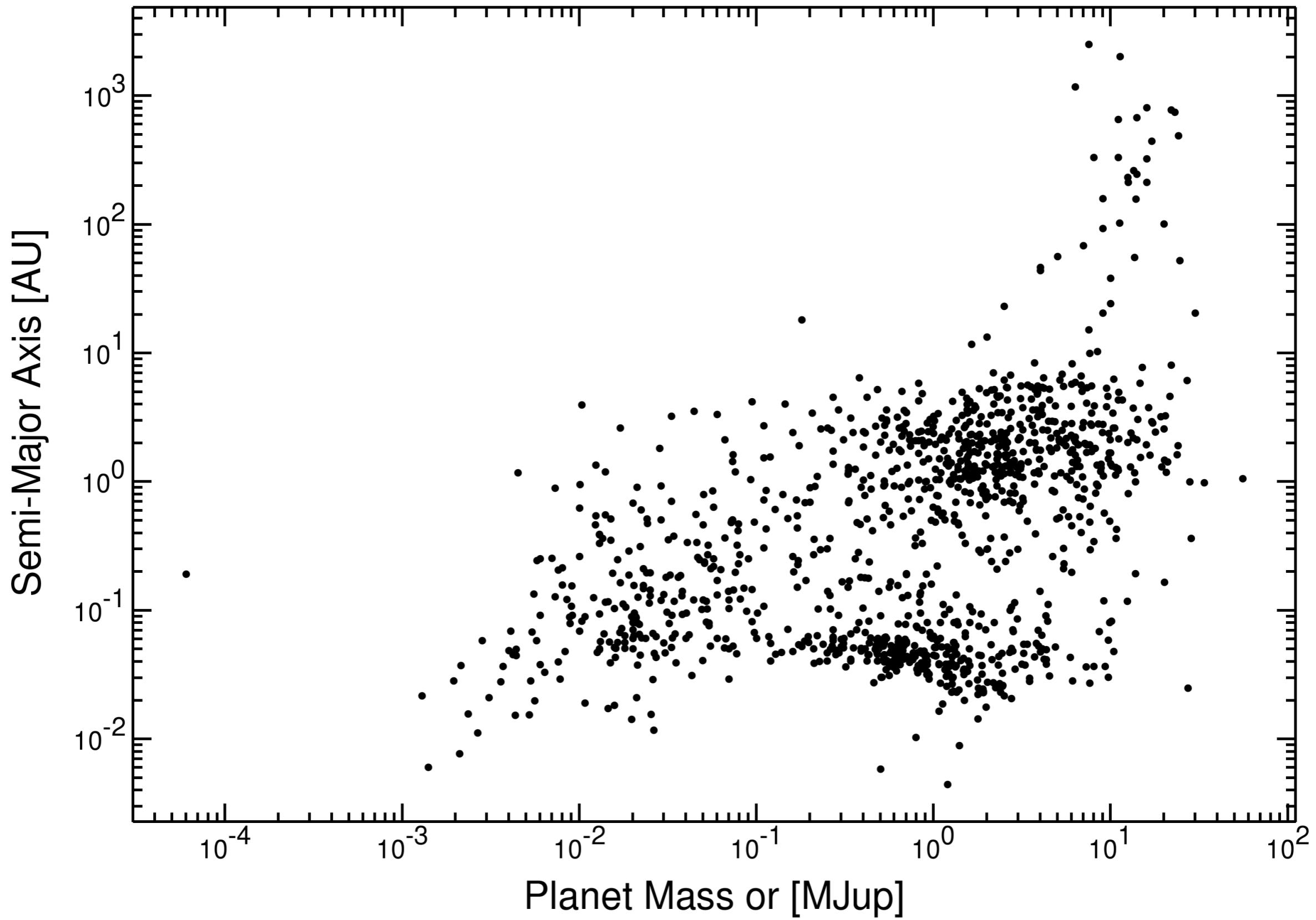
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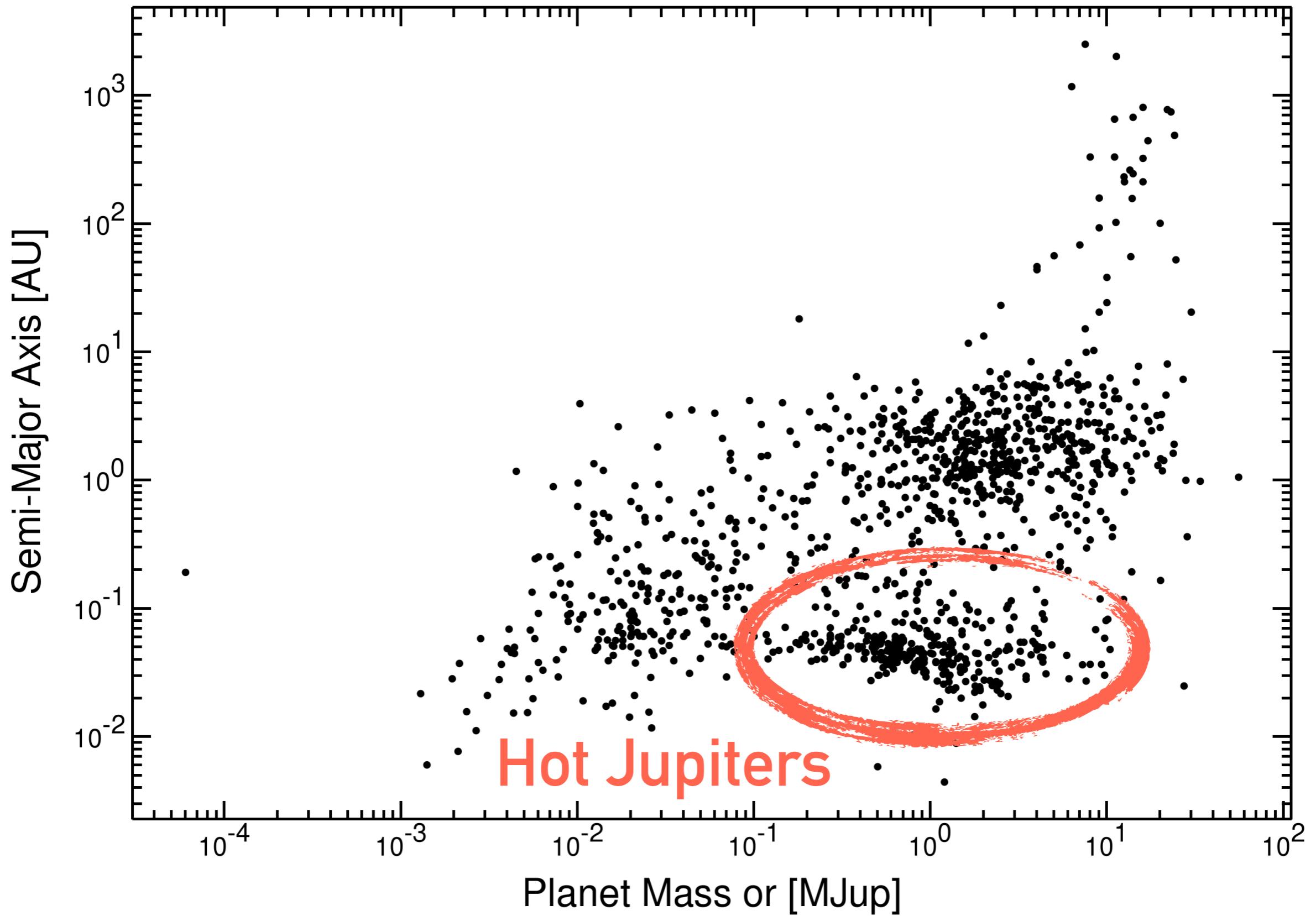
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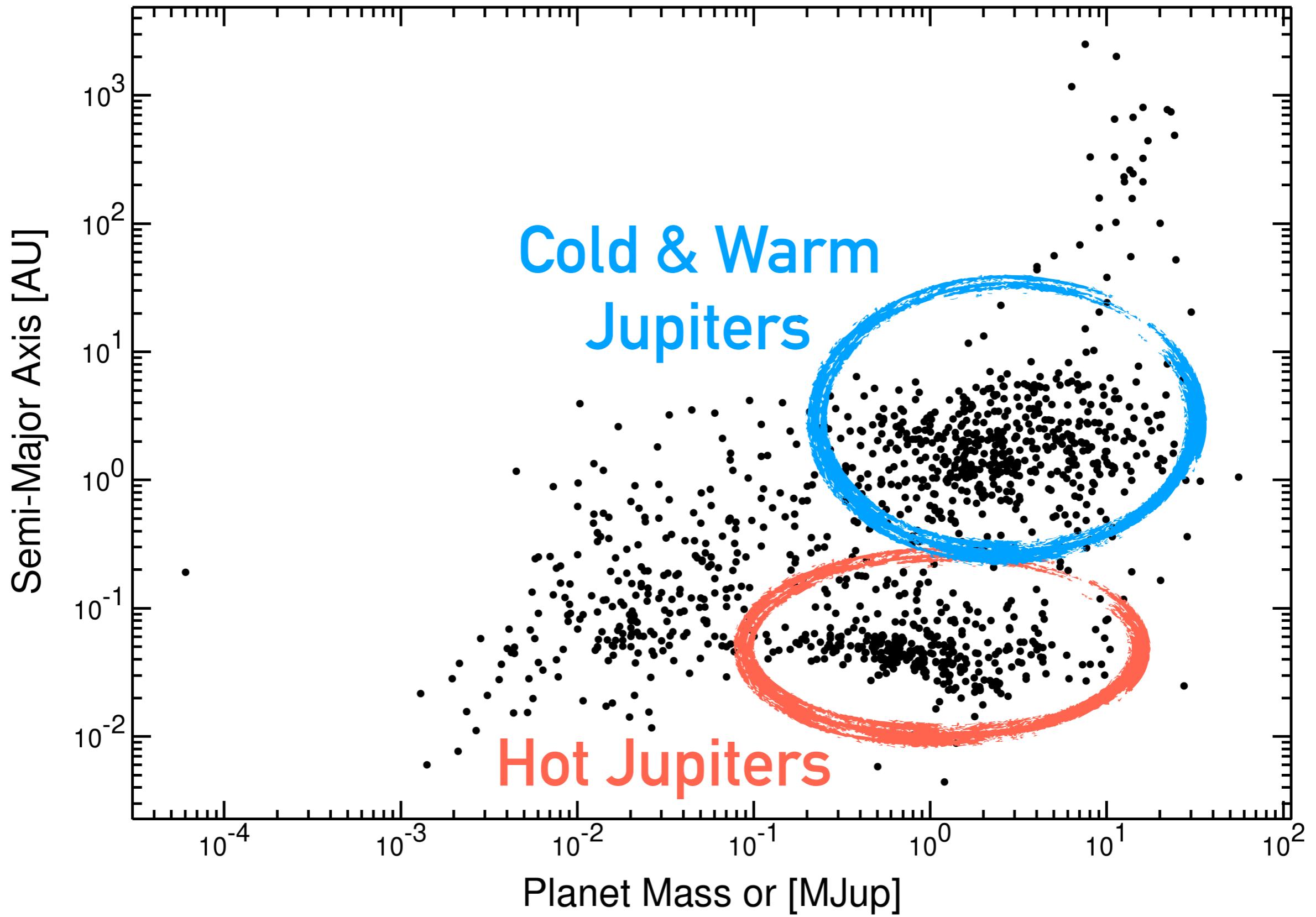
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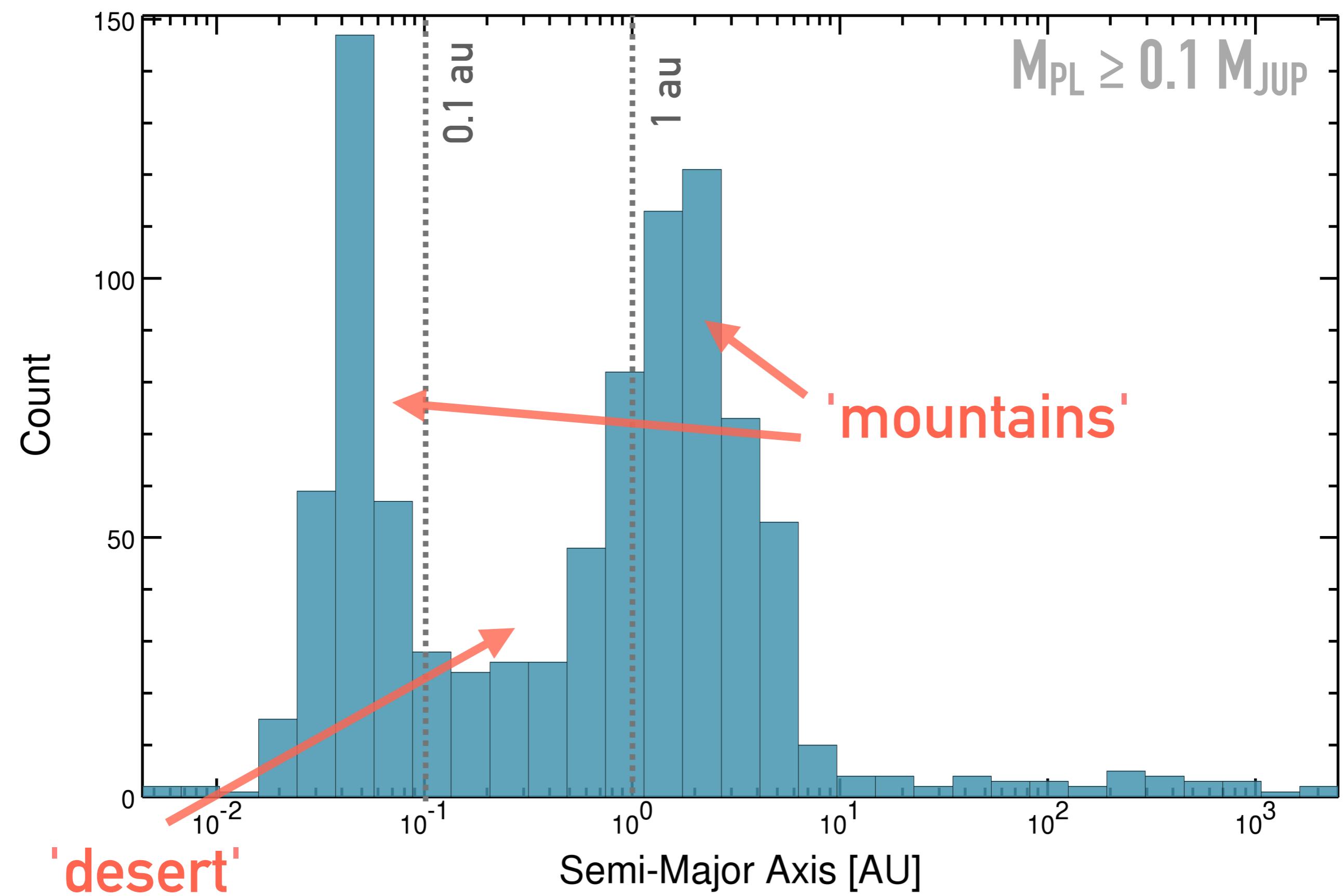


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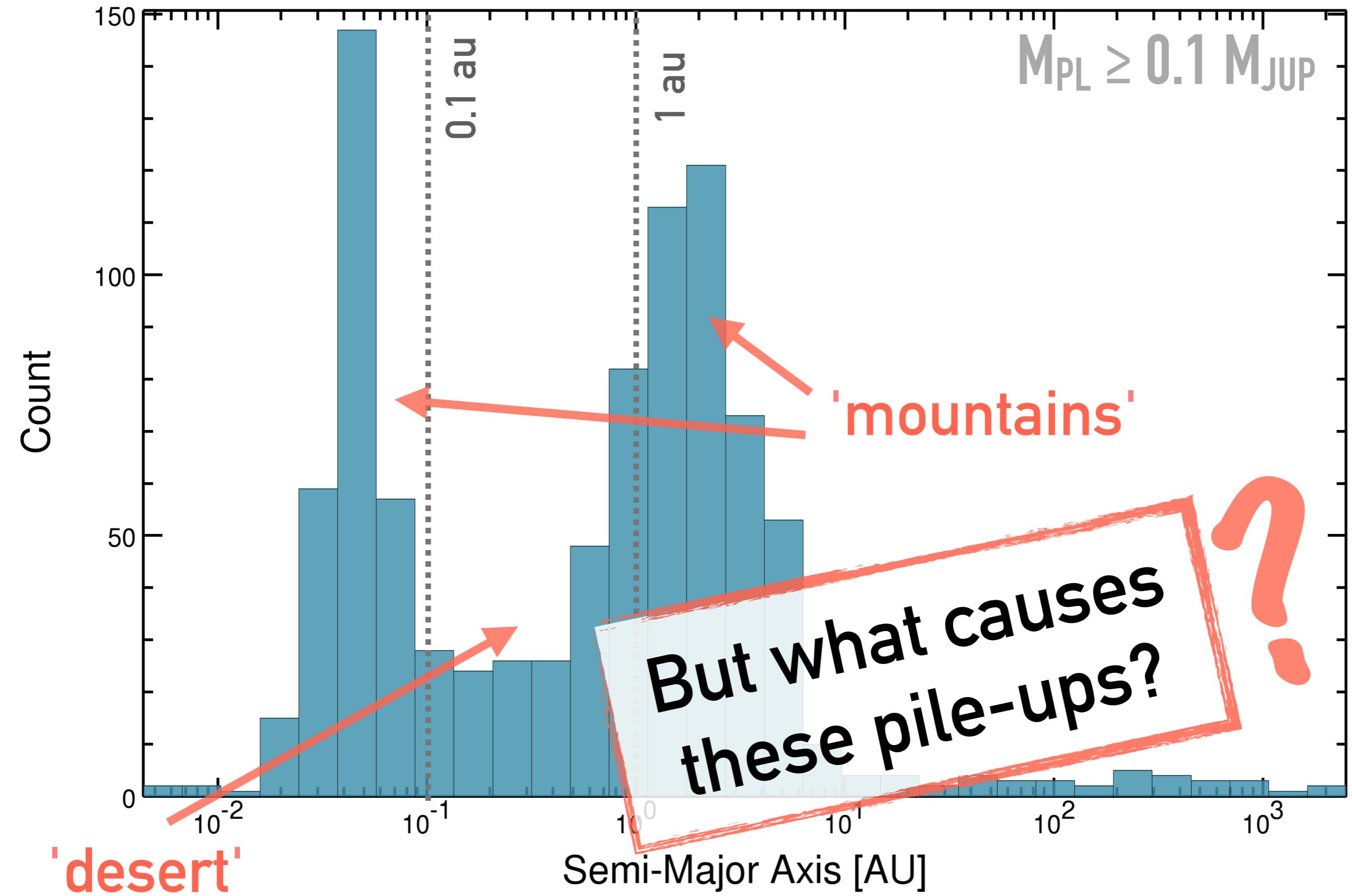
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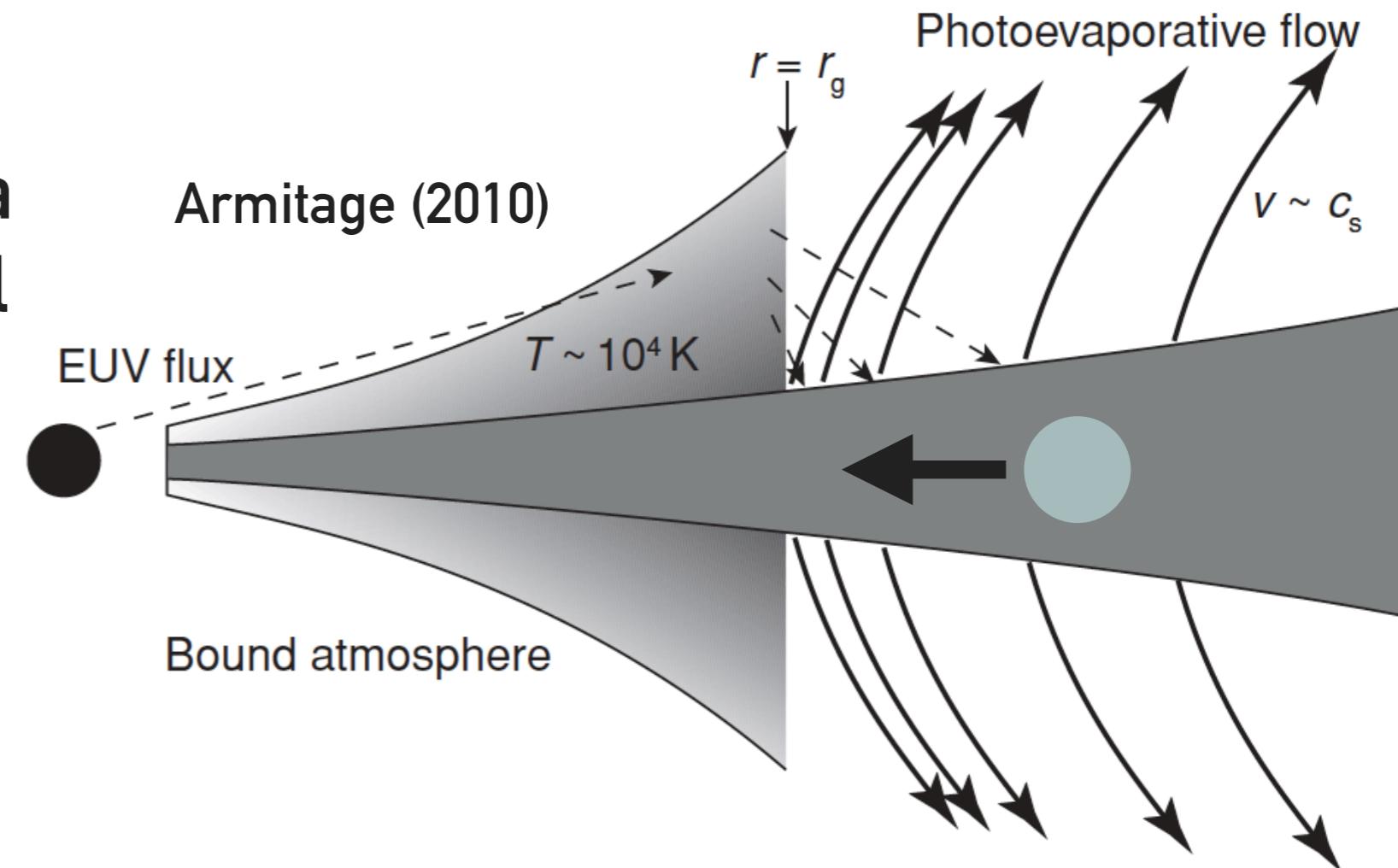
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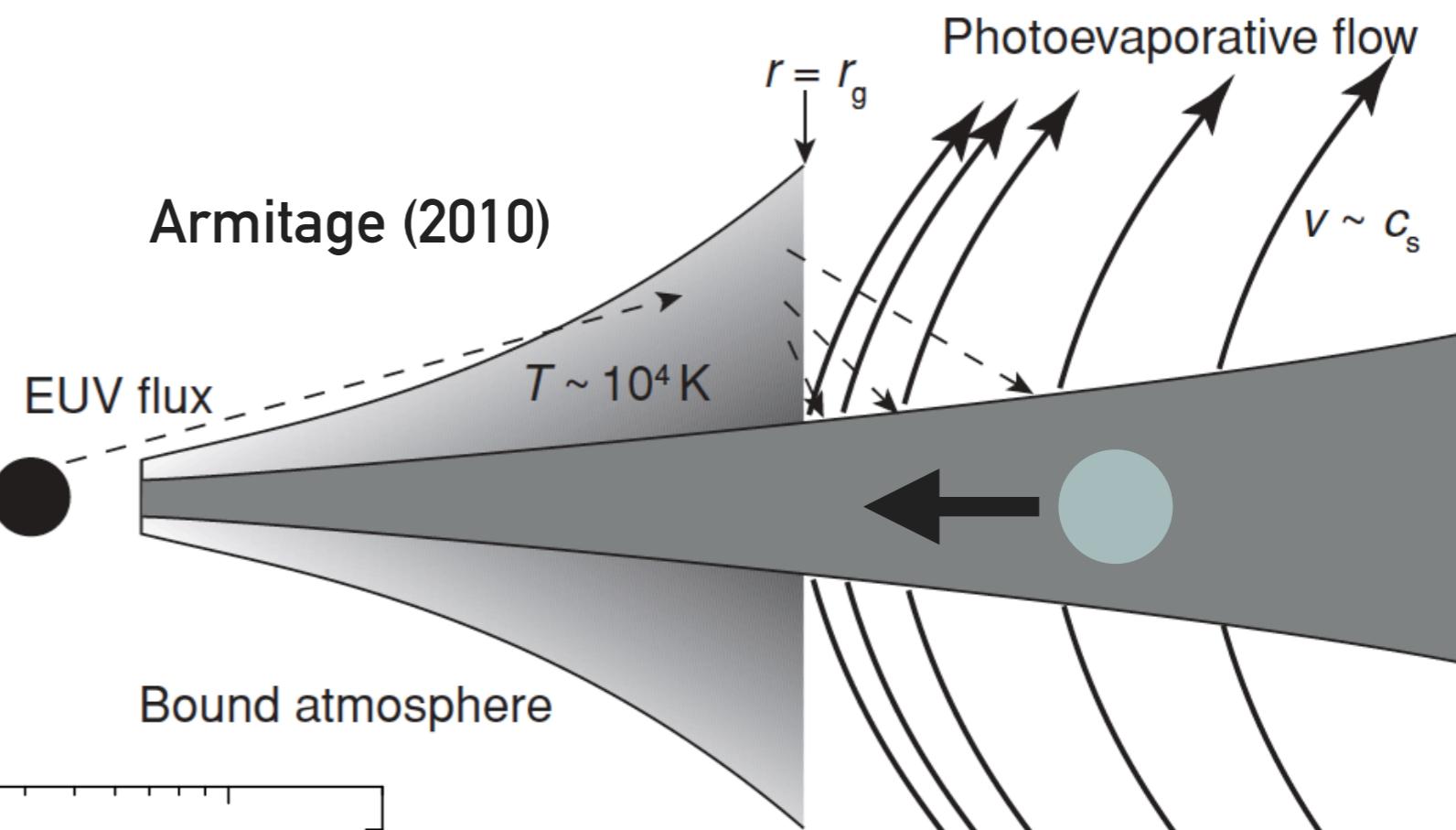
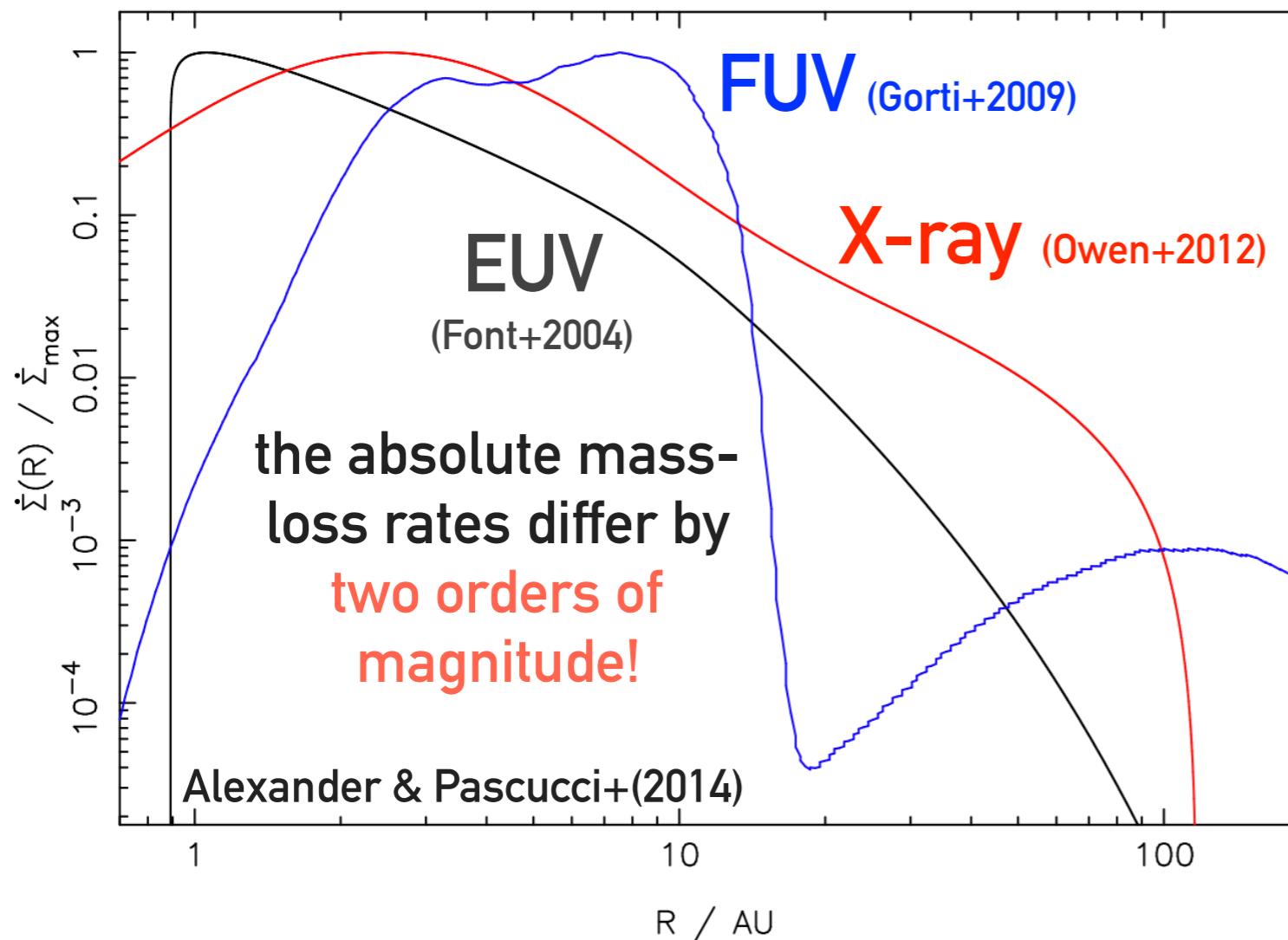
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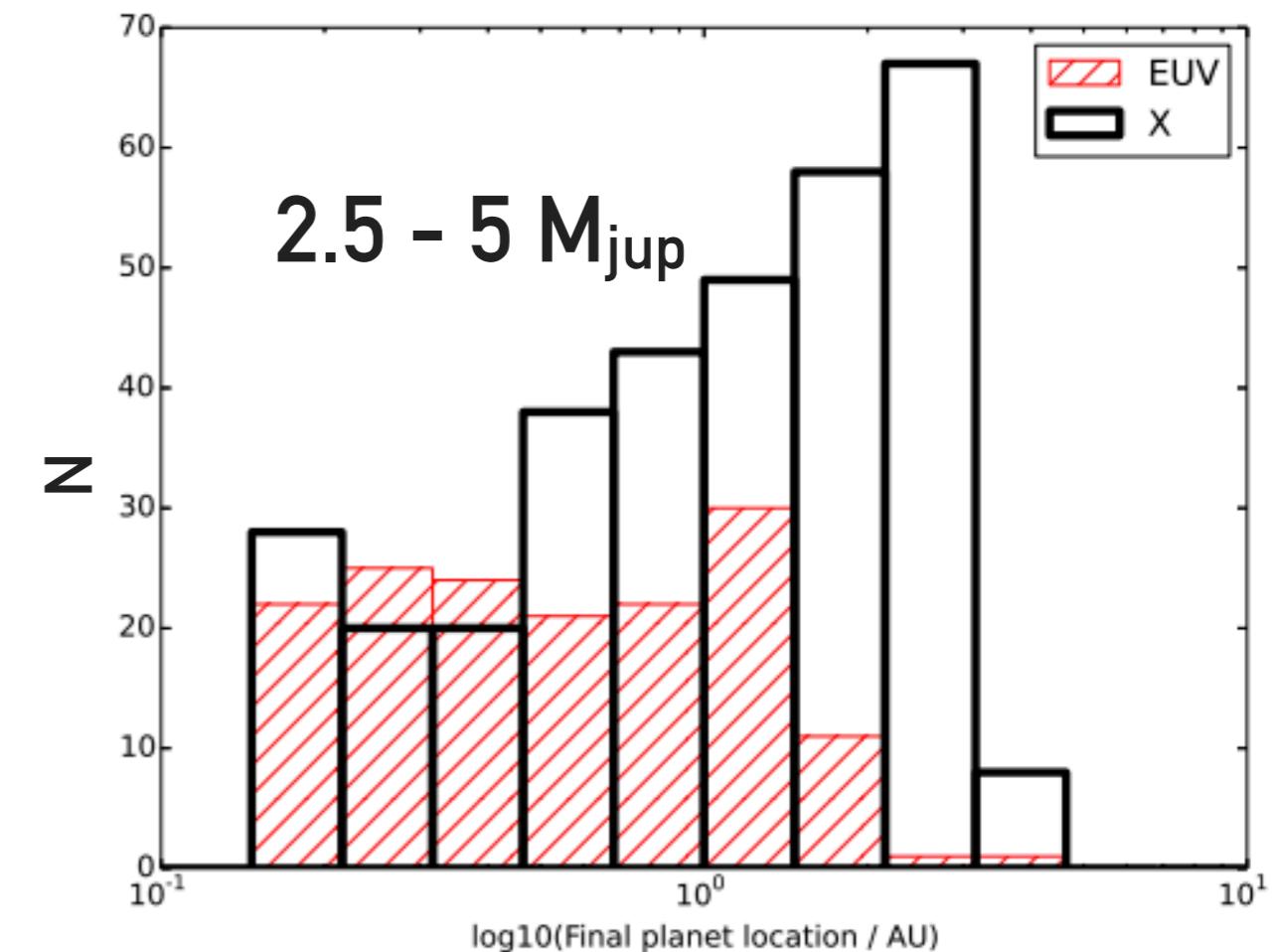
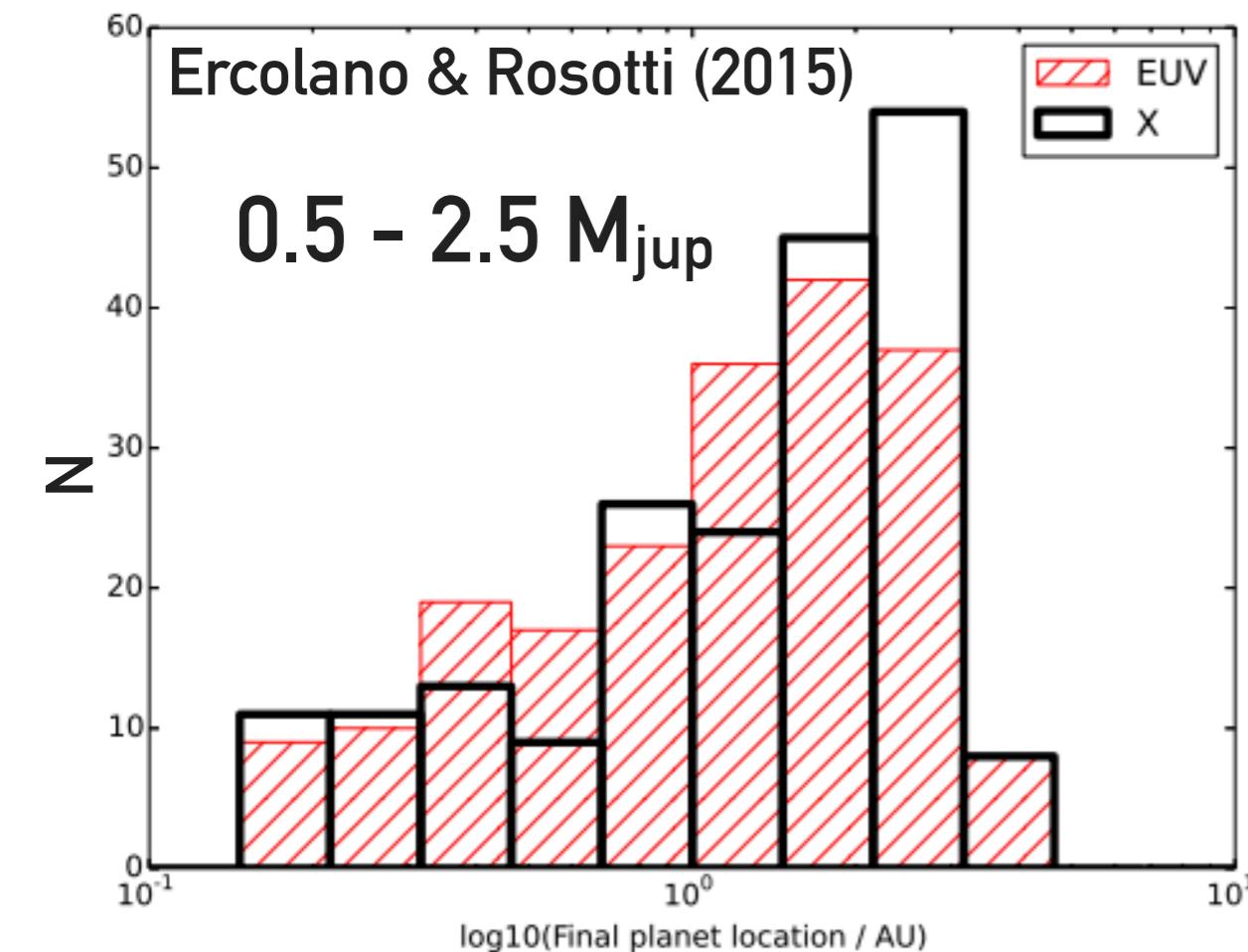
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The **mass-loss rate** and the **location of  $r_g$**  change drastically for different photoevaporation profiles!

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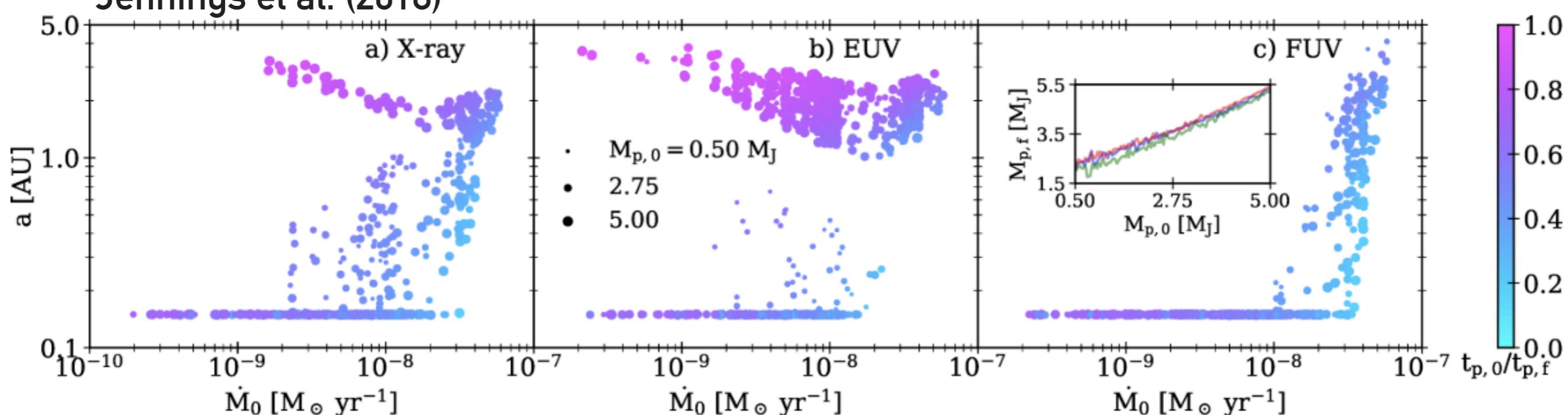
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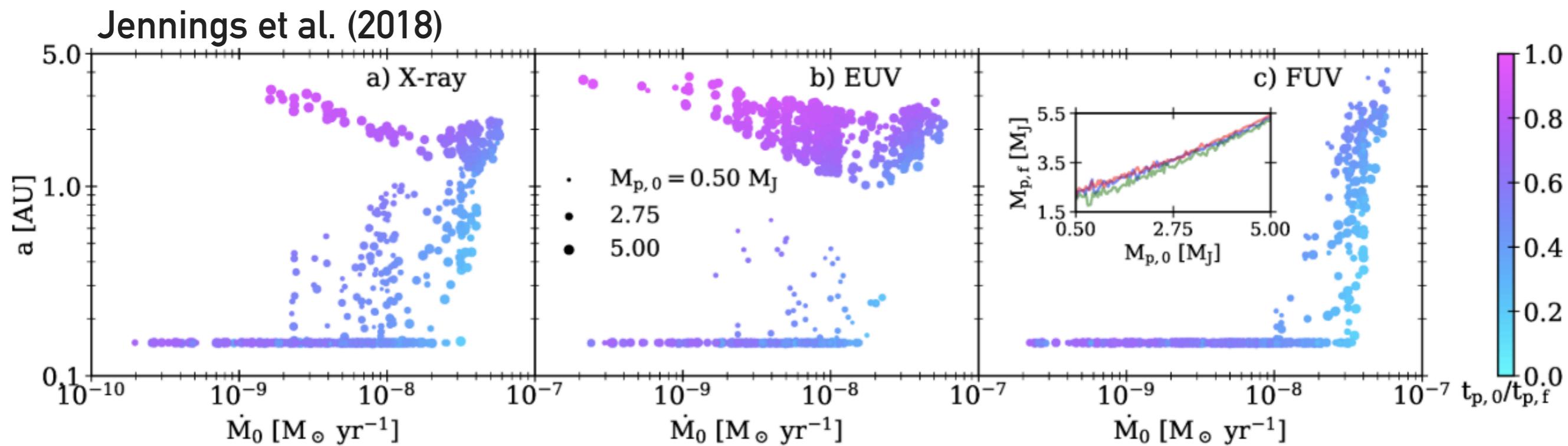
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Jennings et al. (2018)



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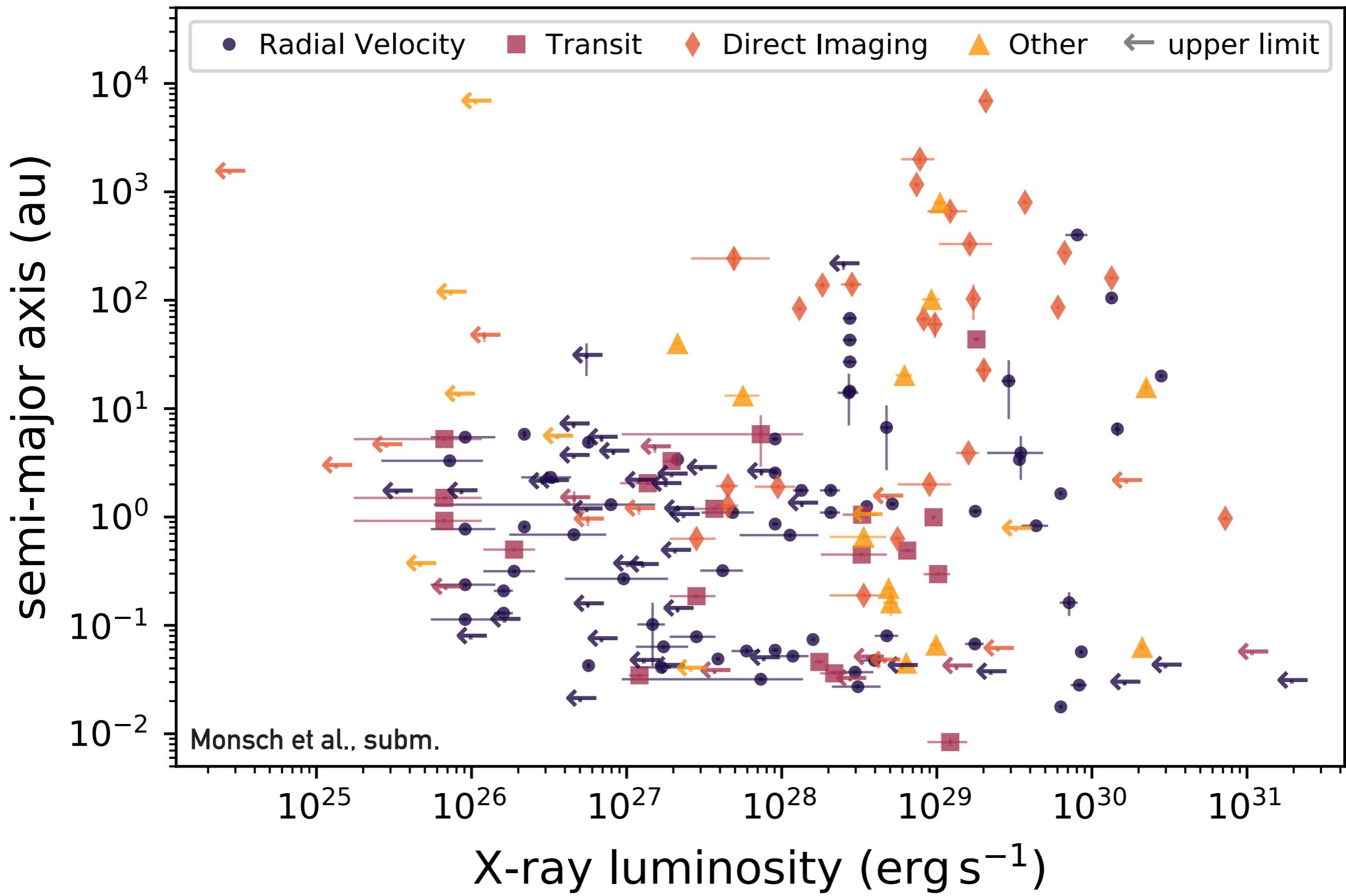
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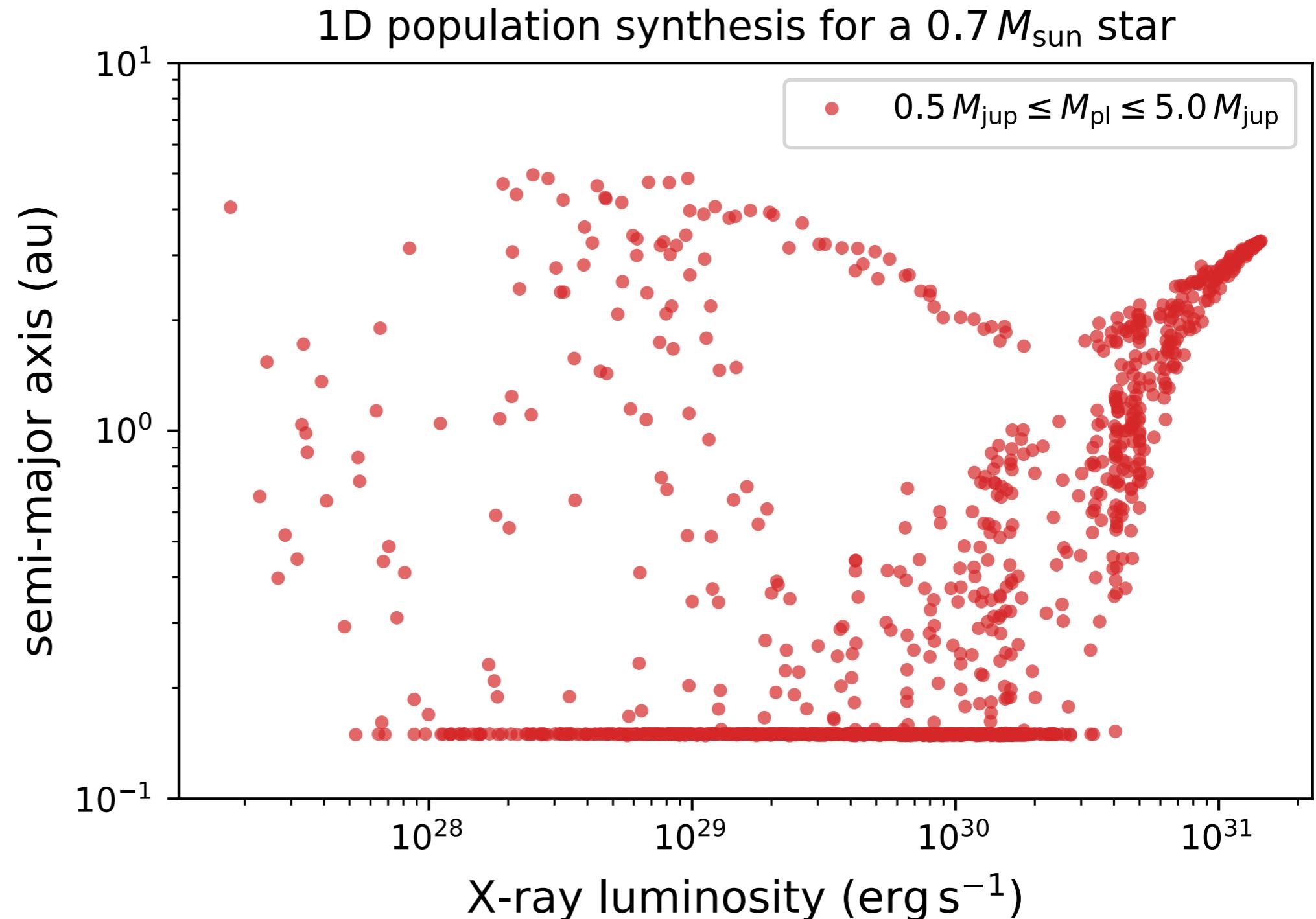
all planets with  $M_{\text{pl}} \geq 0.1 M_{\text{Jup}}$



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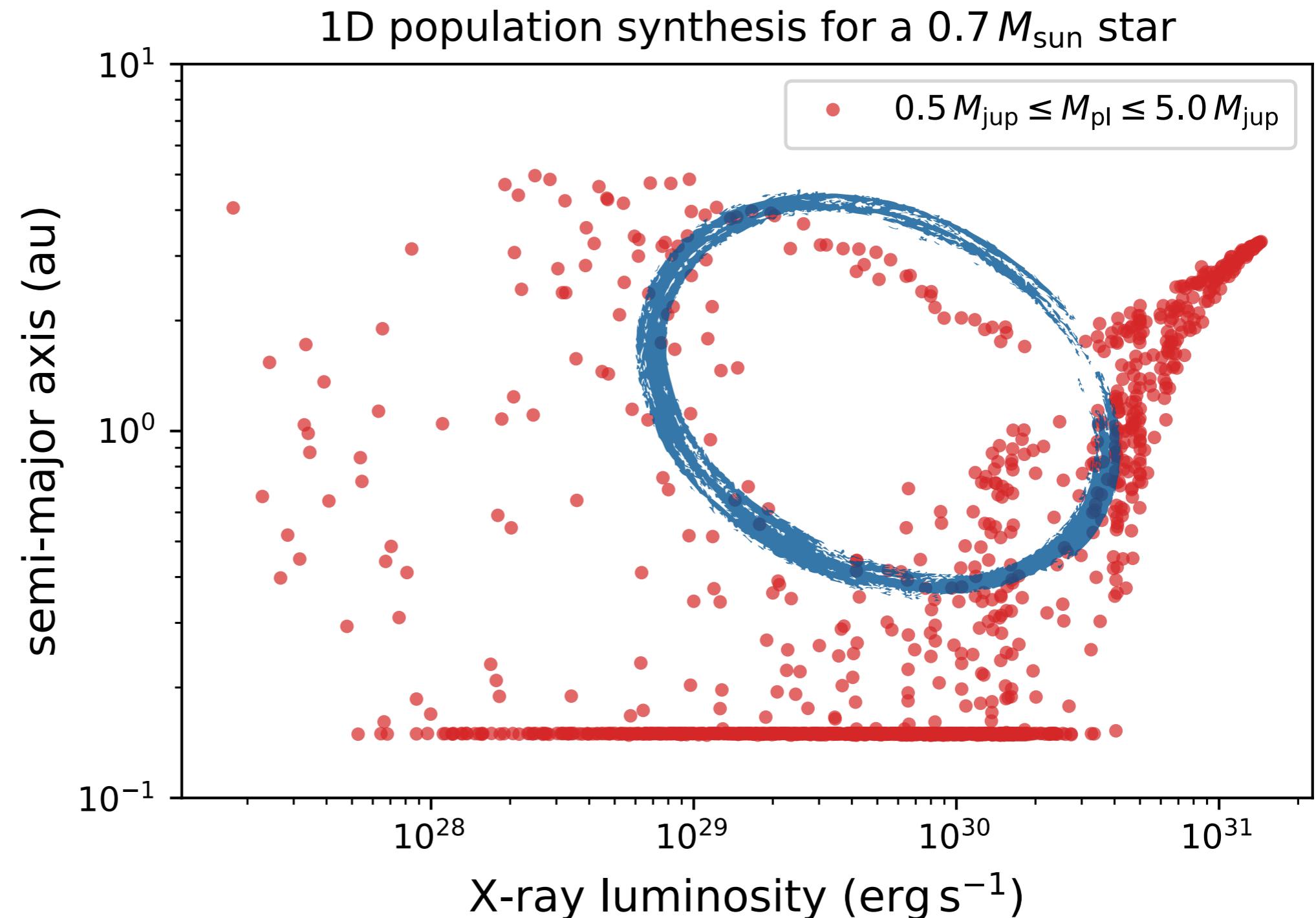


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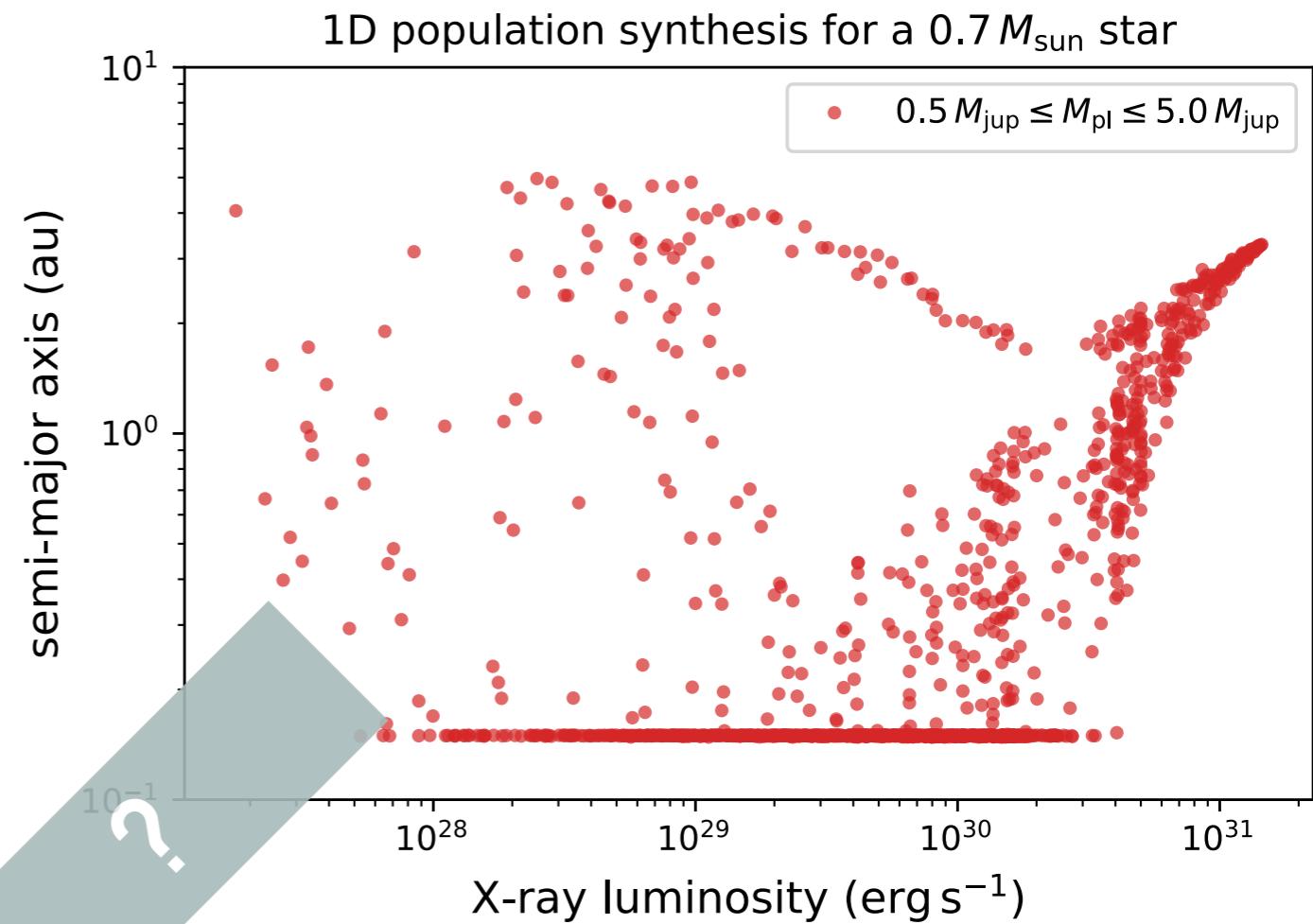
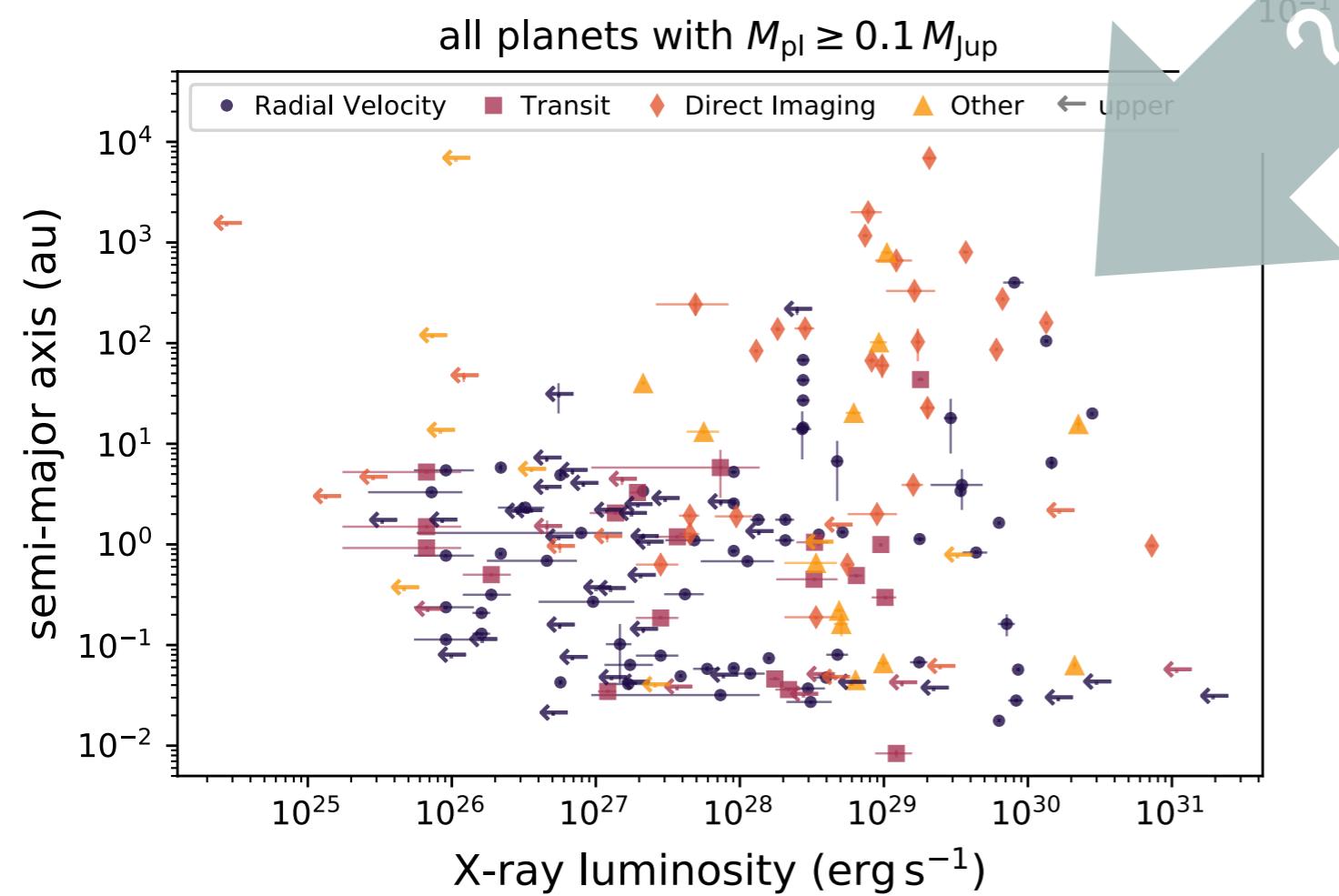
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X-ray PE opens a gap in the disc at  
~1 au and creates a natural parking radius



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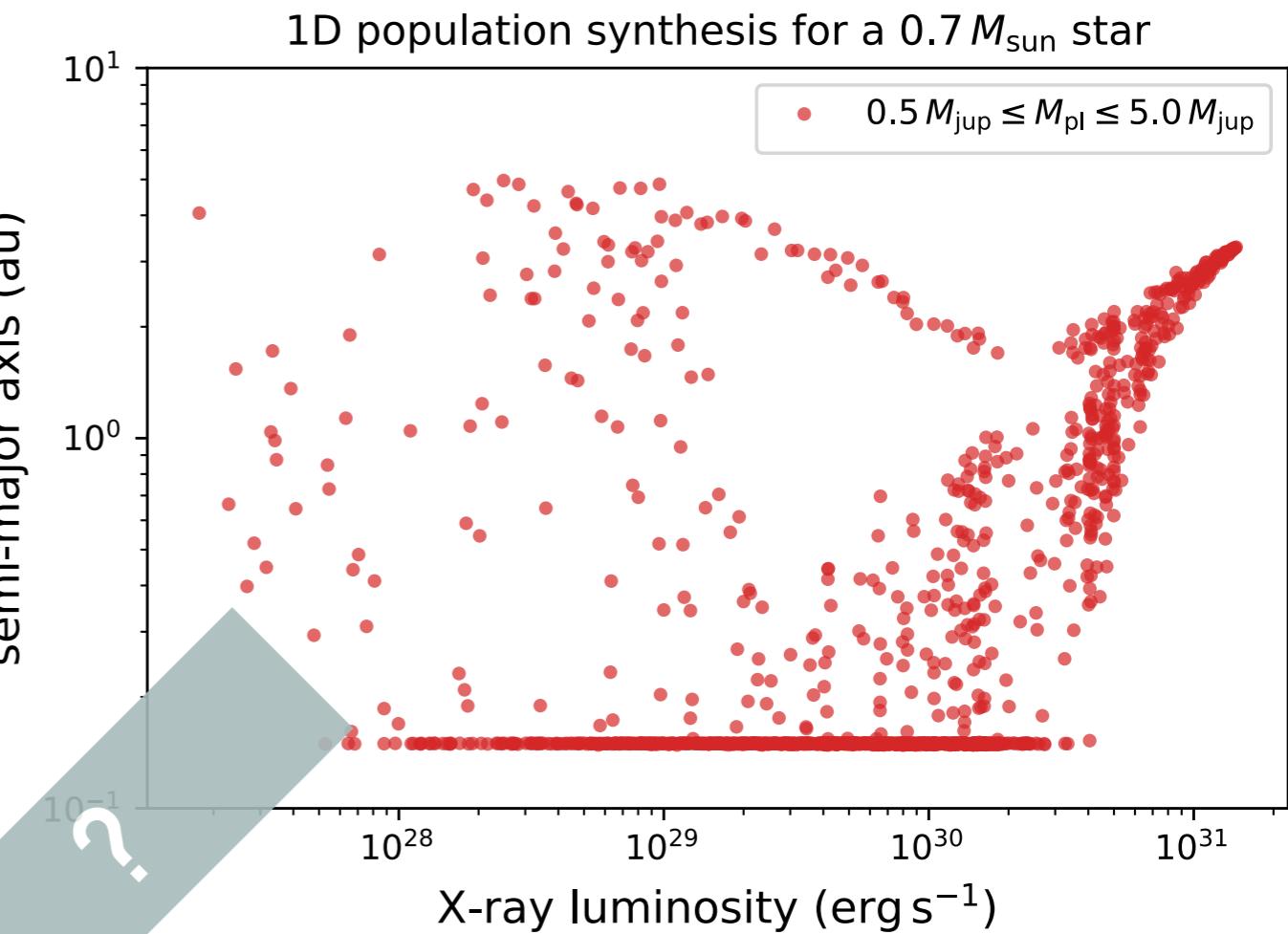
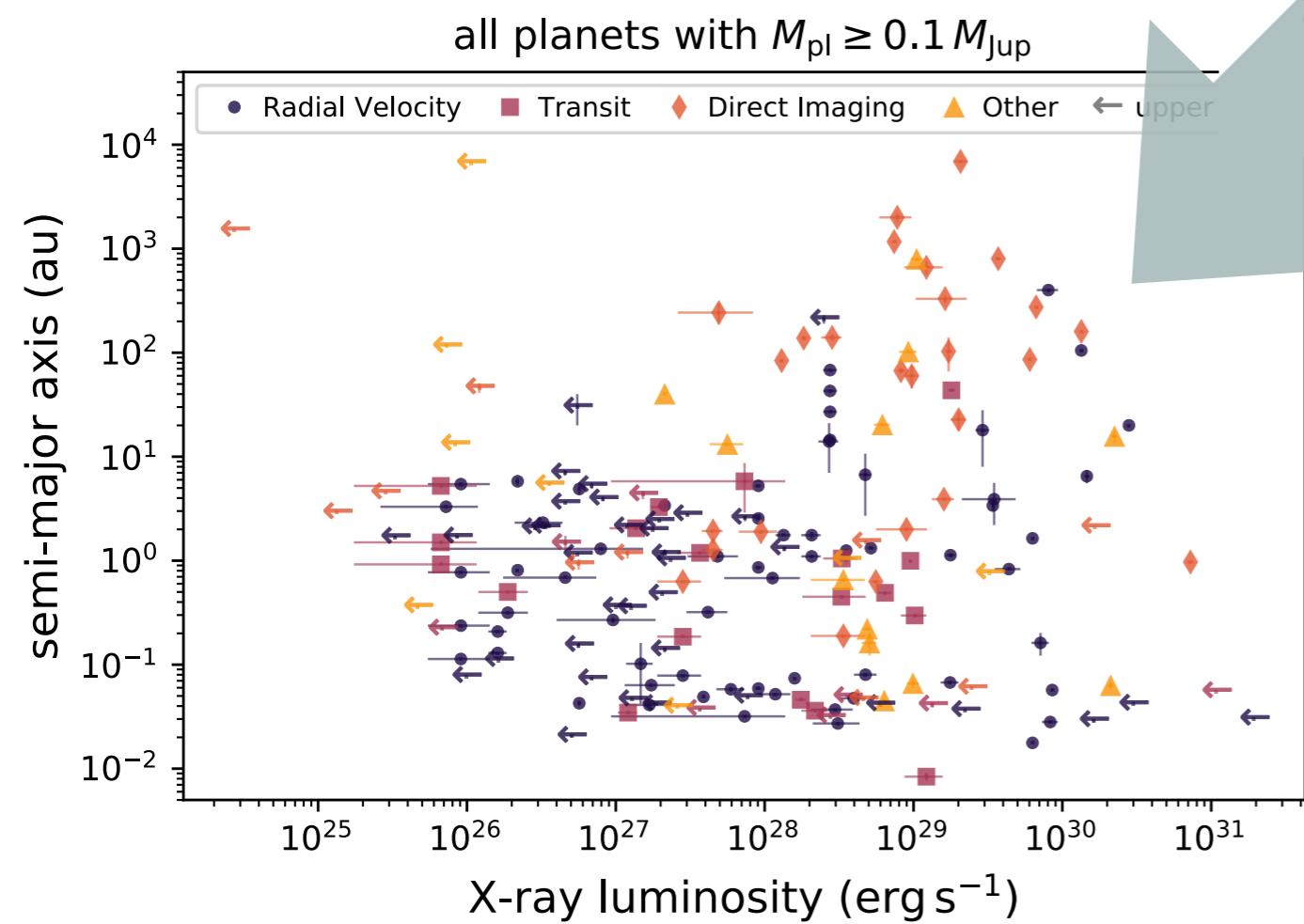
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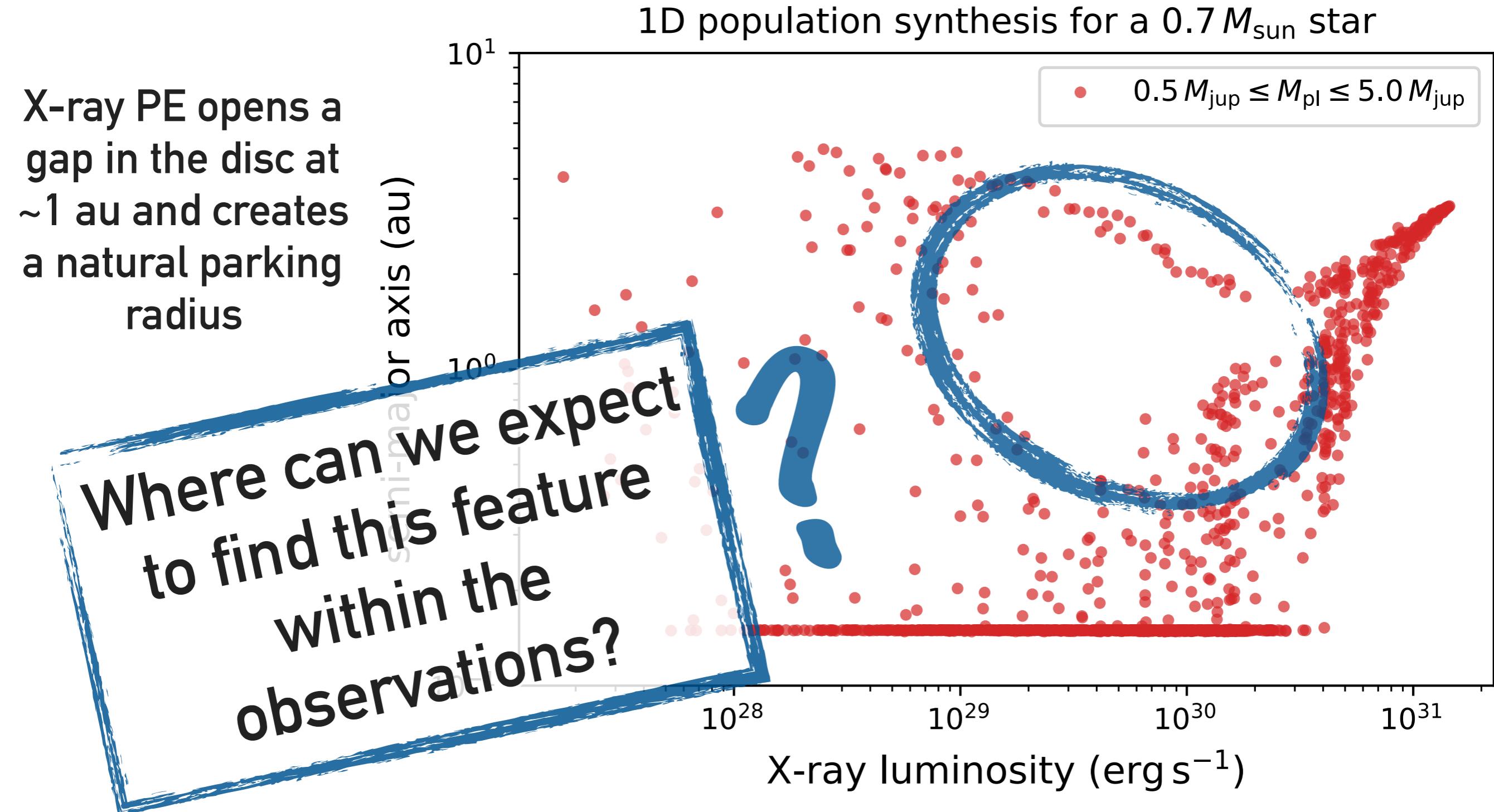


... we can make rough predictions about the location and extent of the expected features in the observations!

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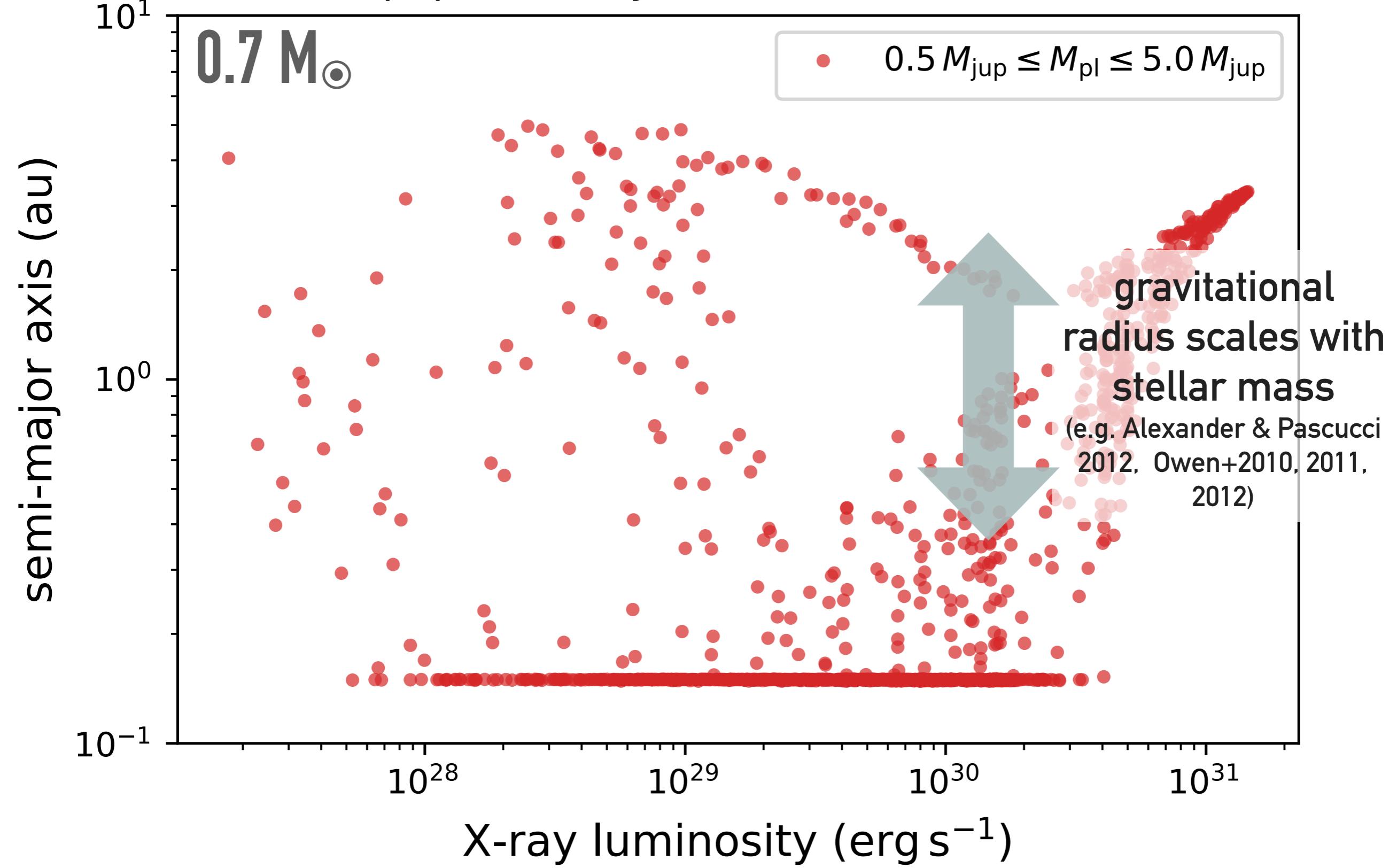
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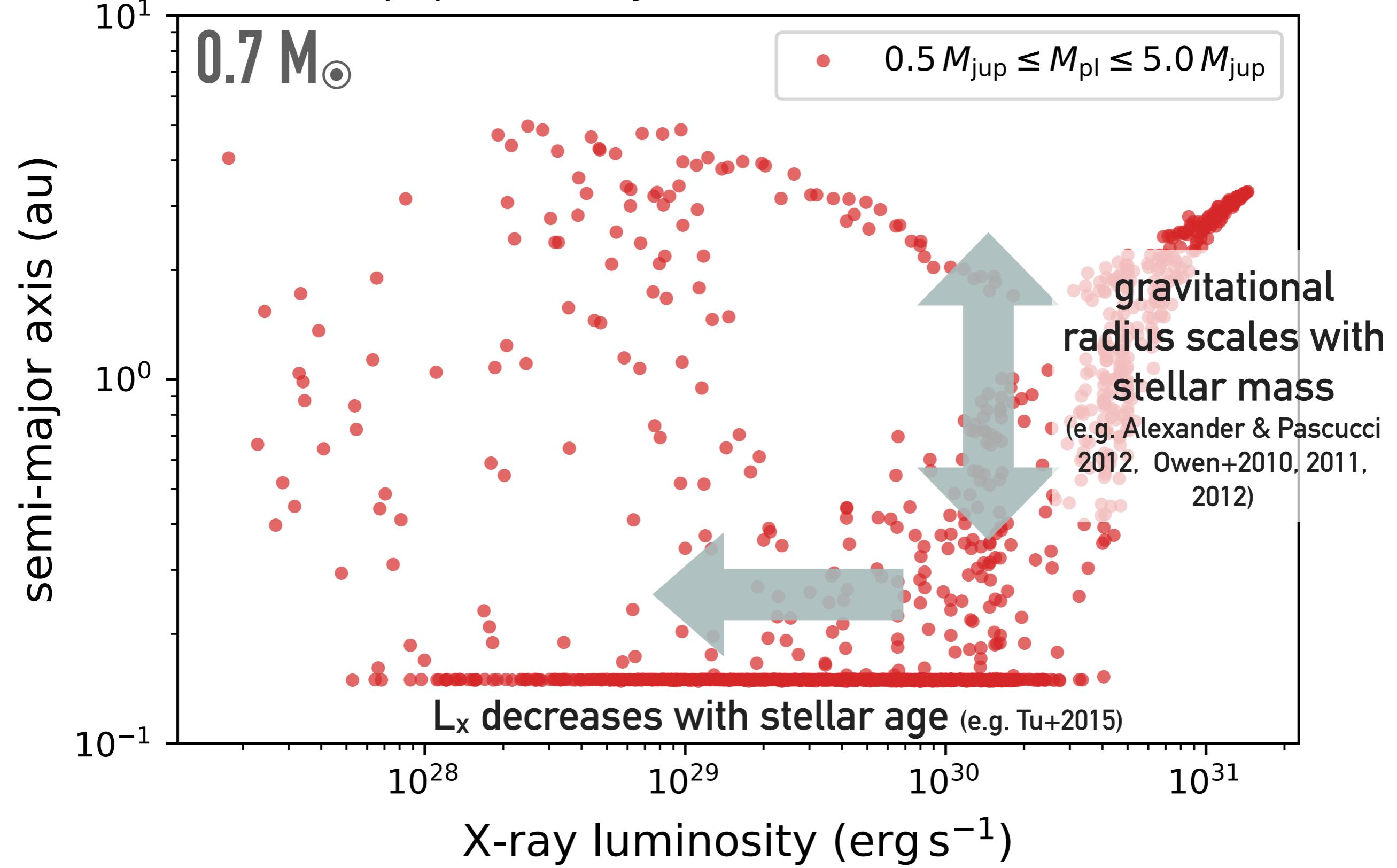
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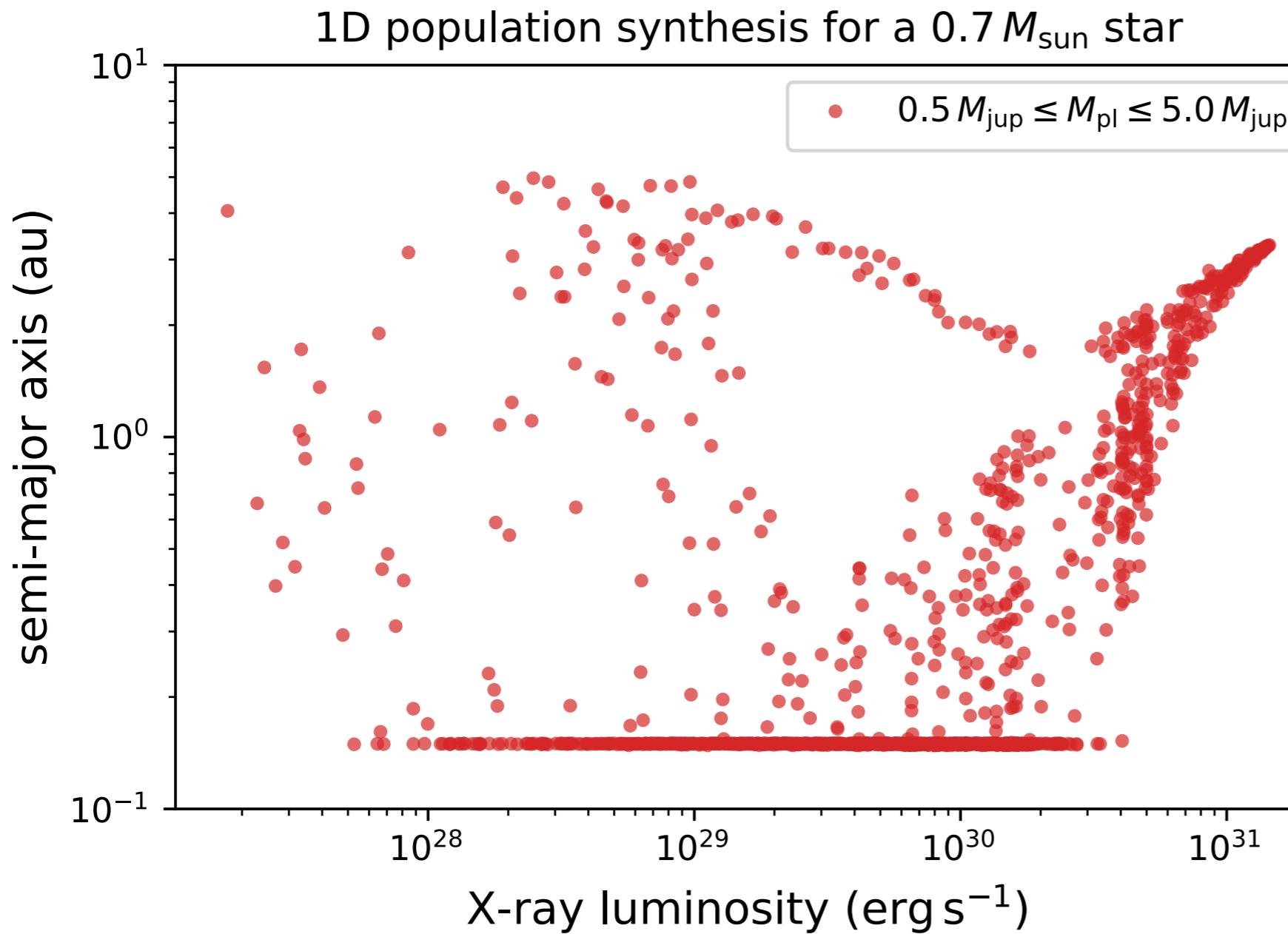
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## Caution!

This plot is the result of very specific initial conditions!

Little changes in the initial setup can have drastic effects on the outcome!



- such as:
- leakage
  - planet insertion time
  - planet insertion location
  - stopping conditions
  - stellar mass
  - ...

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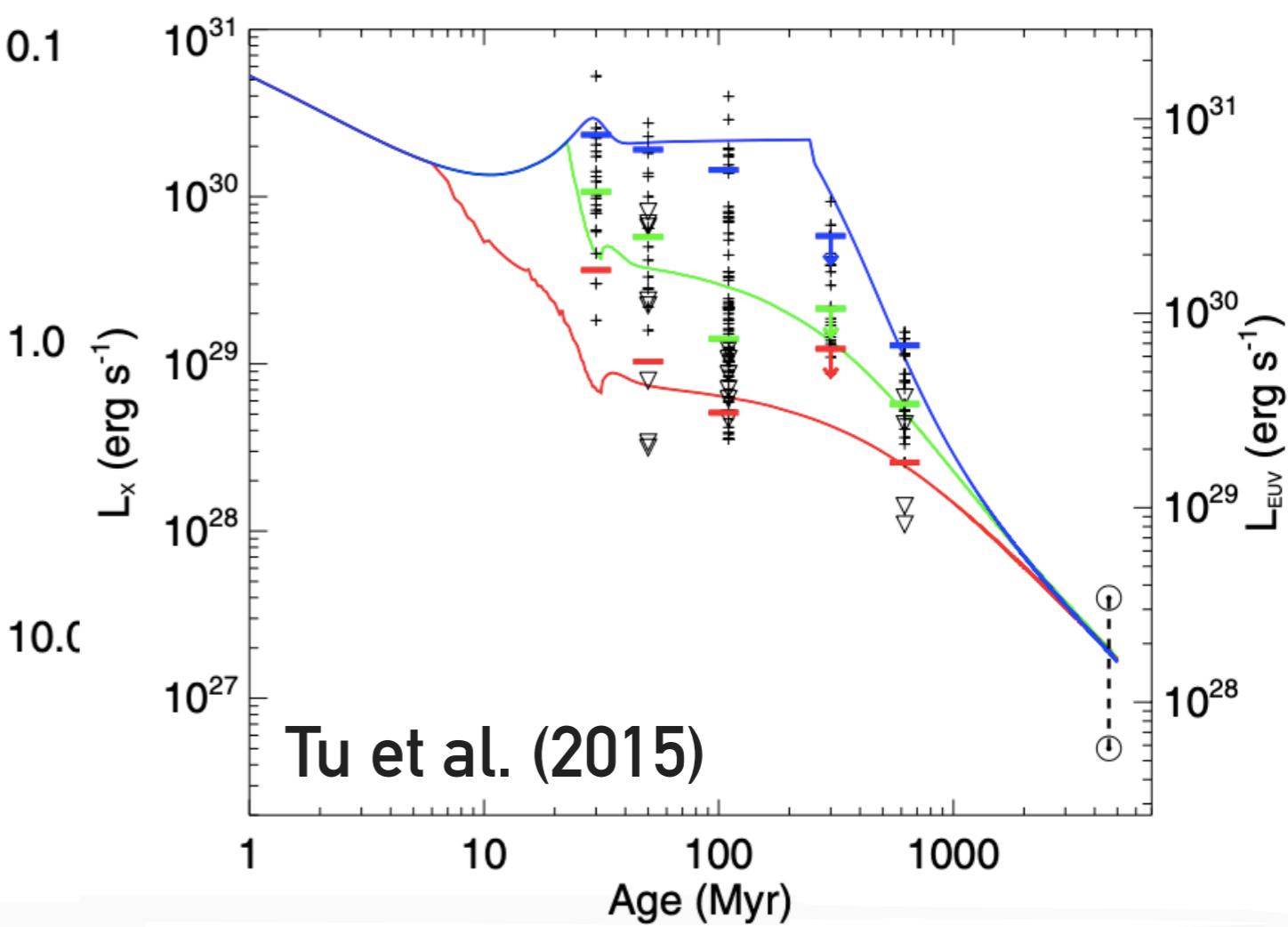
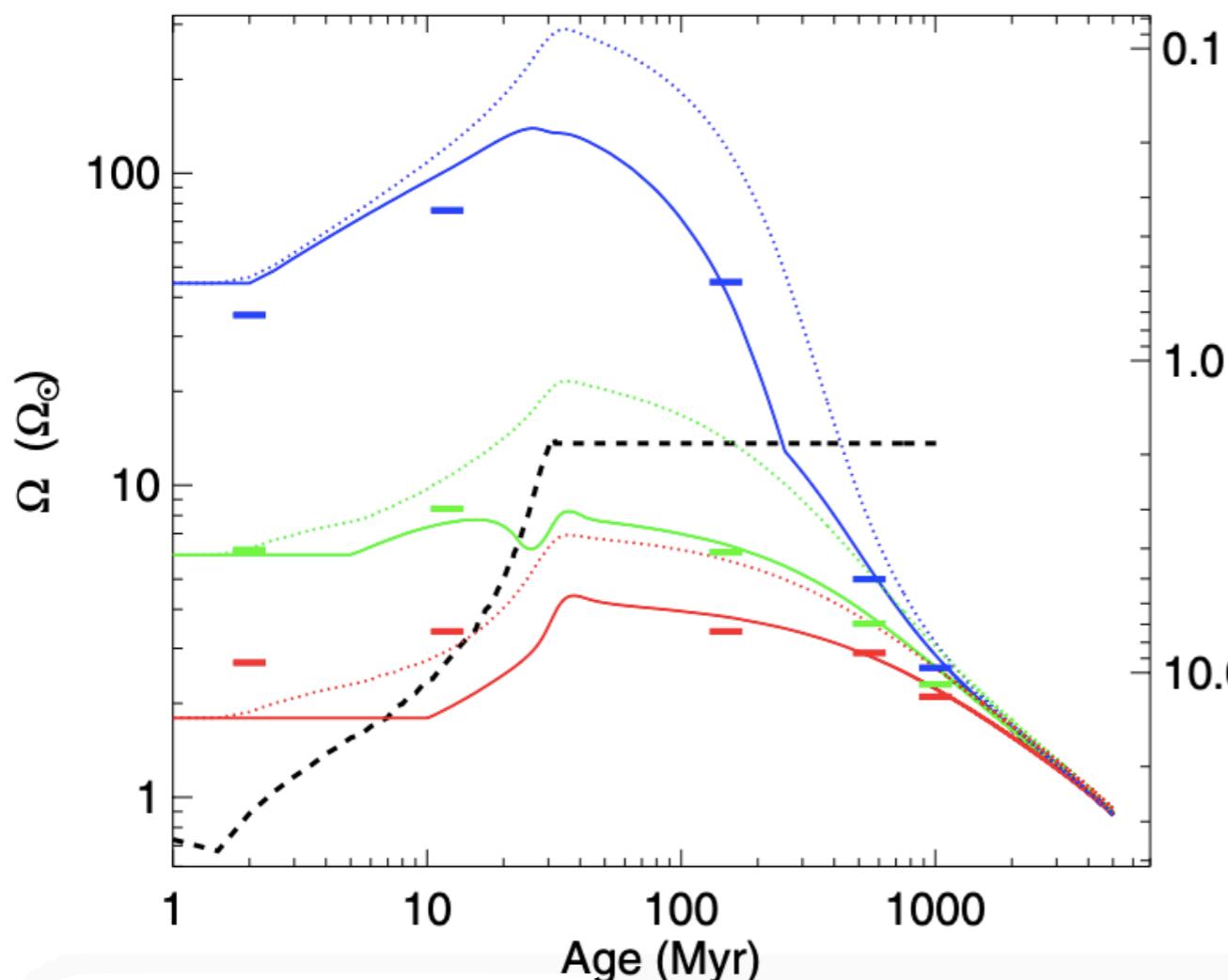
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# OUTLOOK

More detailed 1D AND 2D simulations are required to fully explore the underlying mechanisms. Future work will therefore include an adequate parameter-space investigation constrained by the observations.

# TIME EVOLUTION OF THE STELLAR X-RAY EMISSION

Tu et al. (2015): The **order** of different evolutionary tracks for  $L_x$  **remains the same** for  $t \sim 5\text{-}1000$  Myr



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