

The Shifting Snowline Delivered the Earth's Water



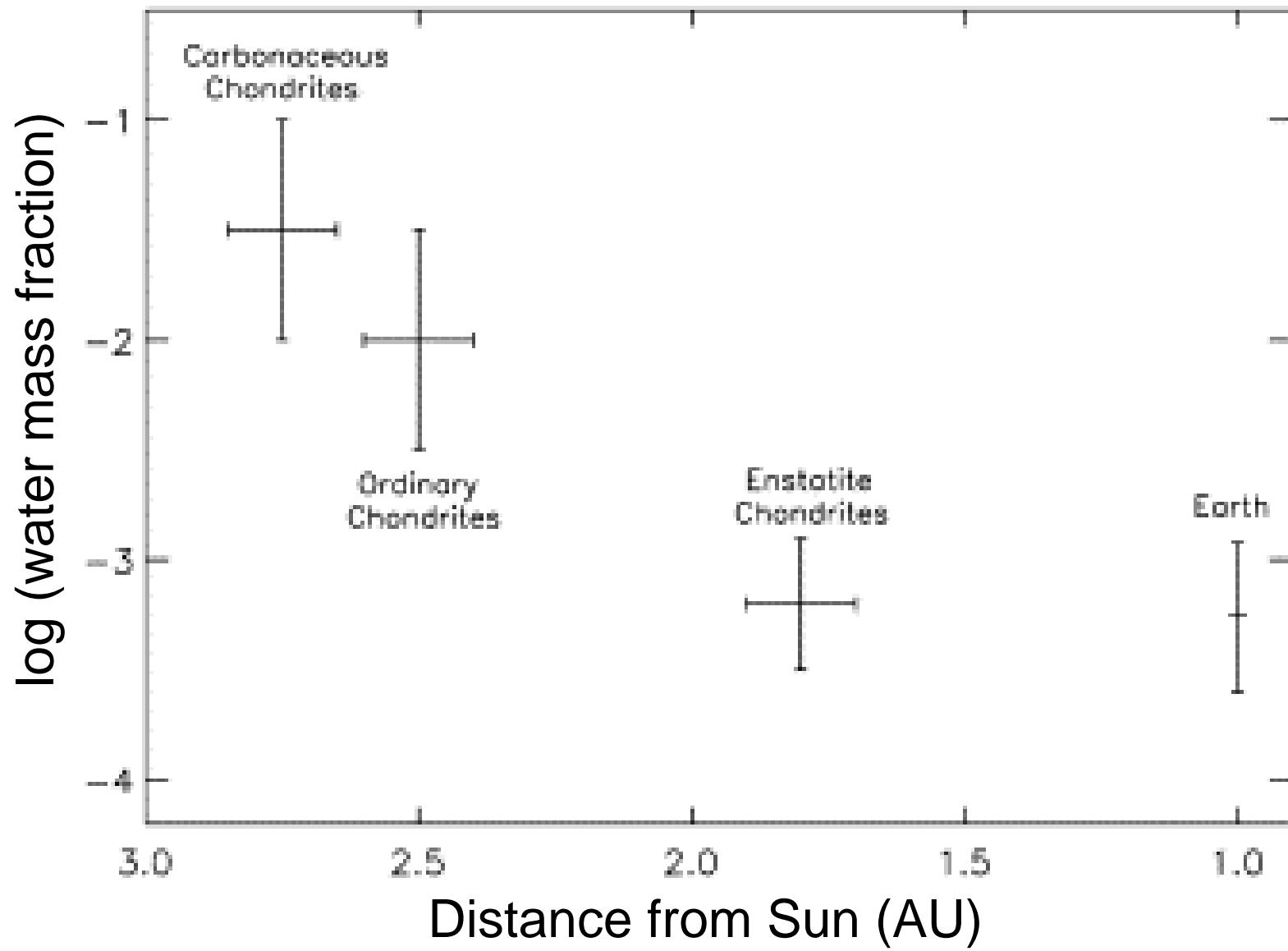
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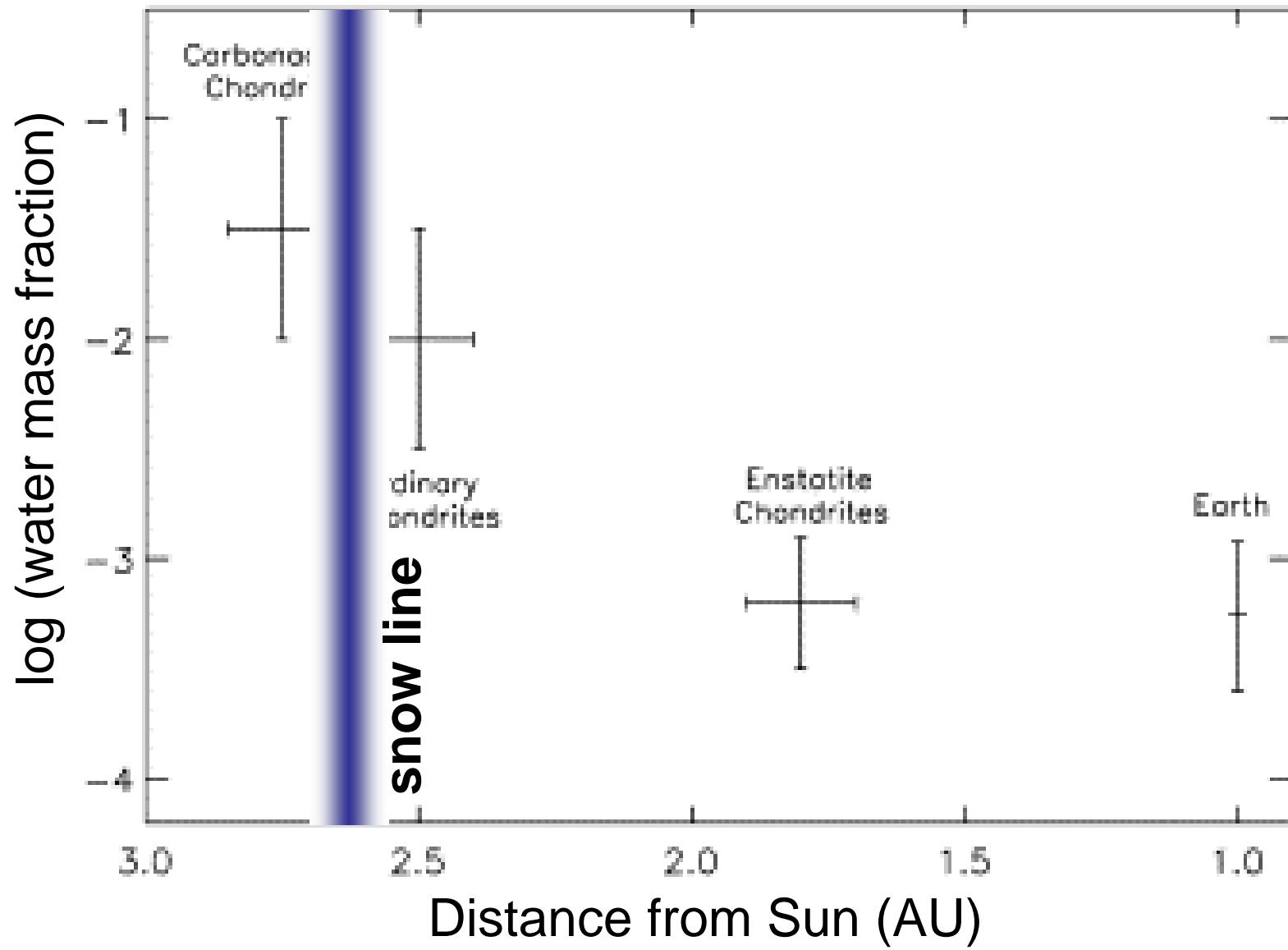
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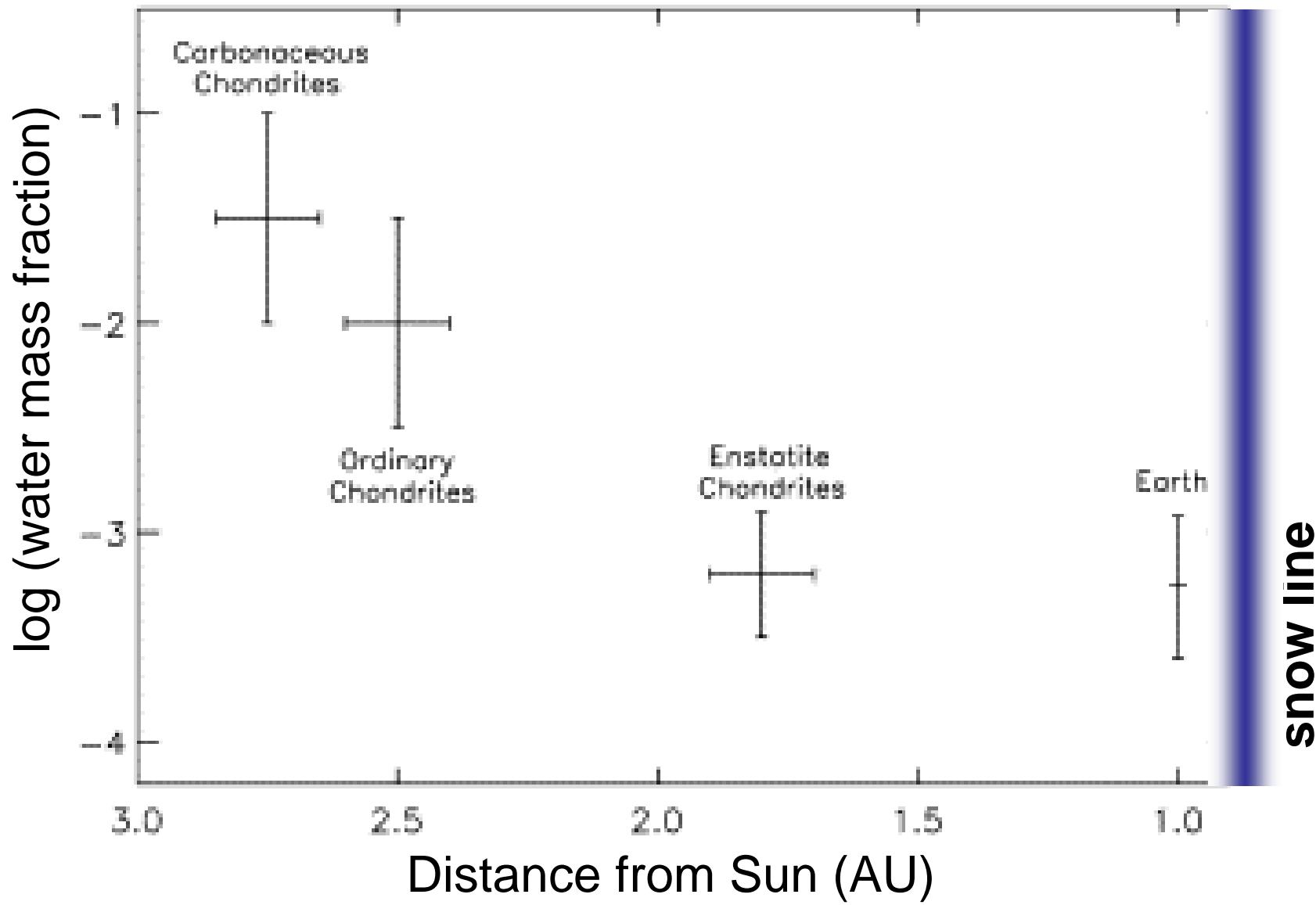
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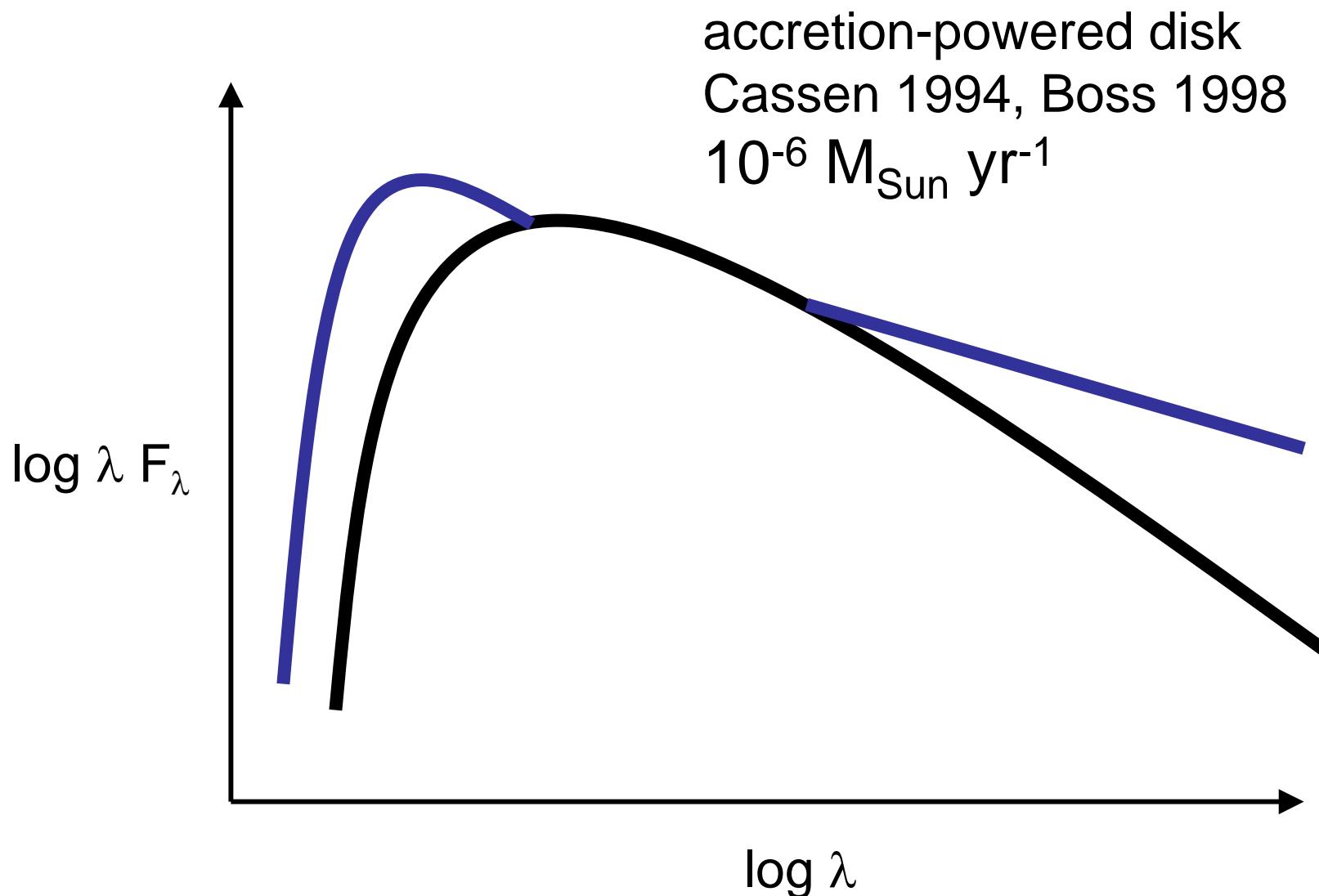


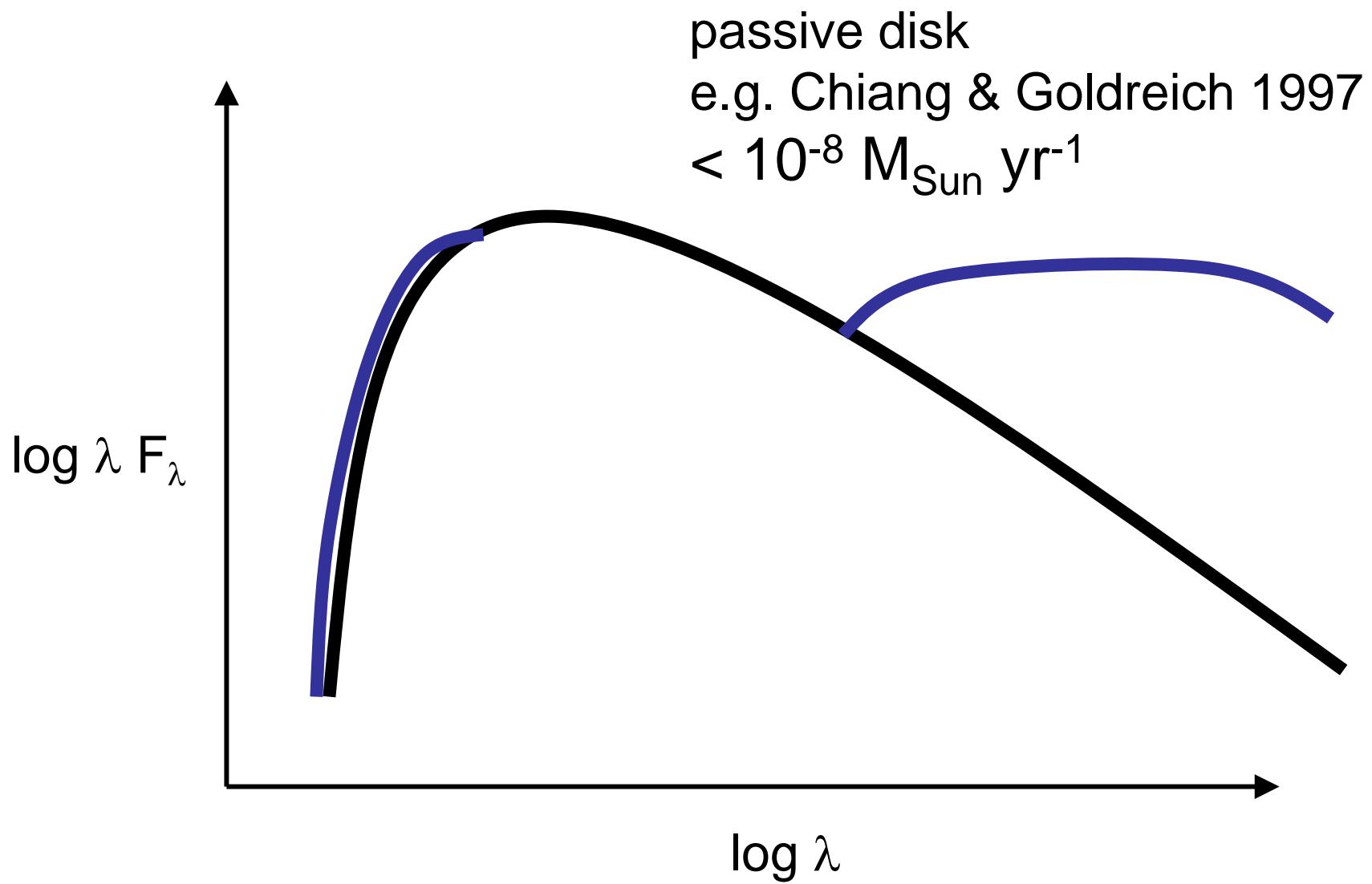
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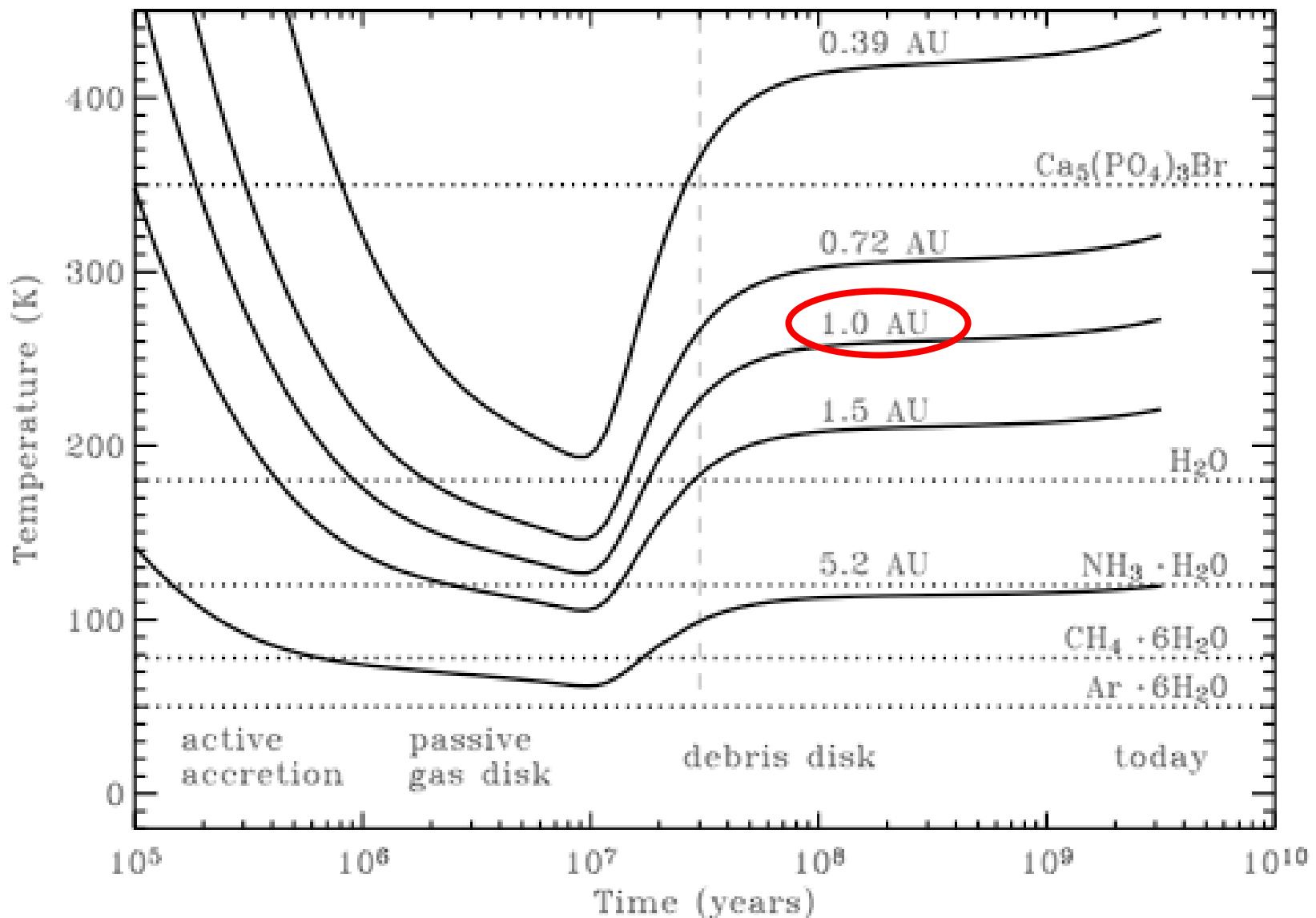


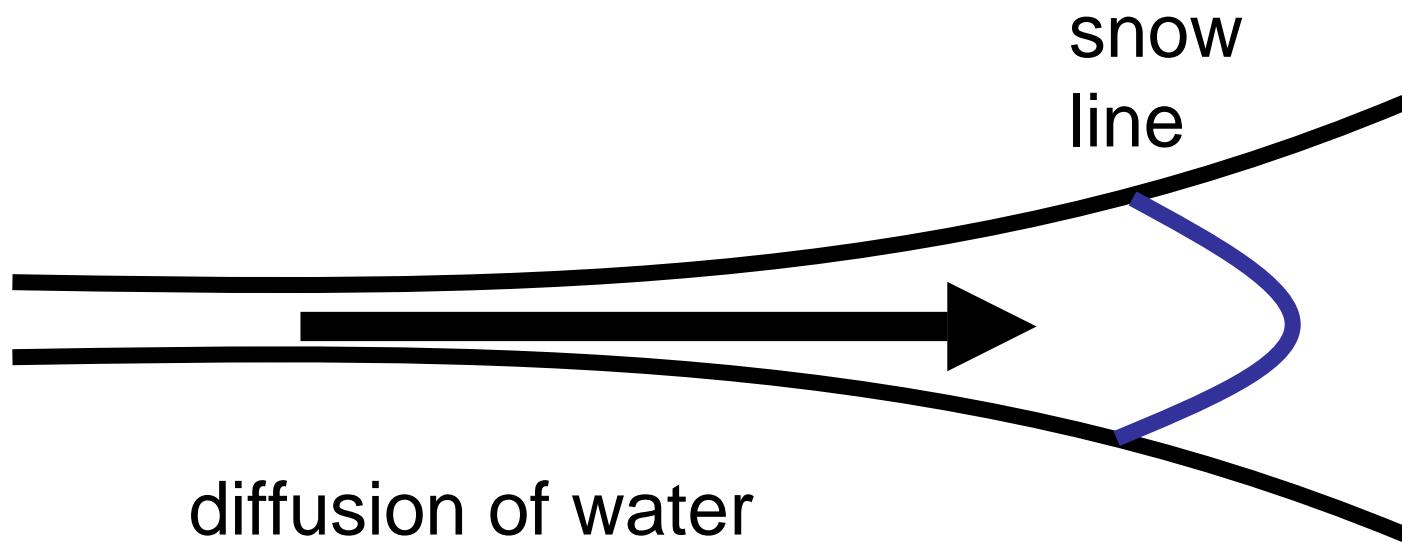
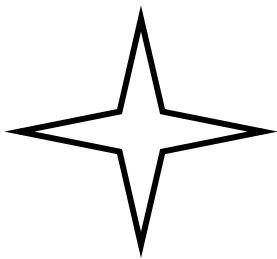
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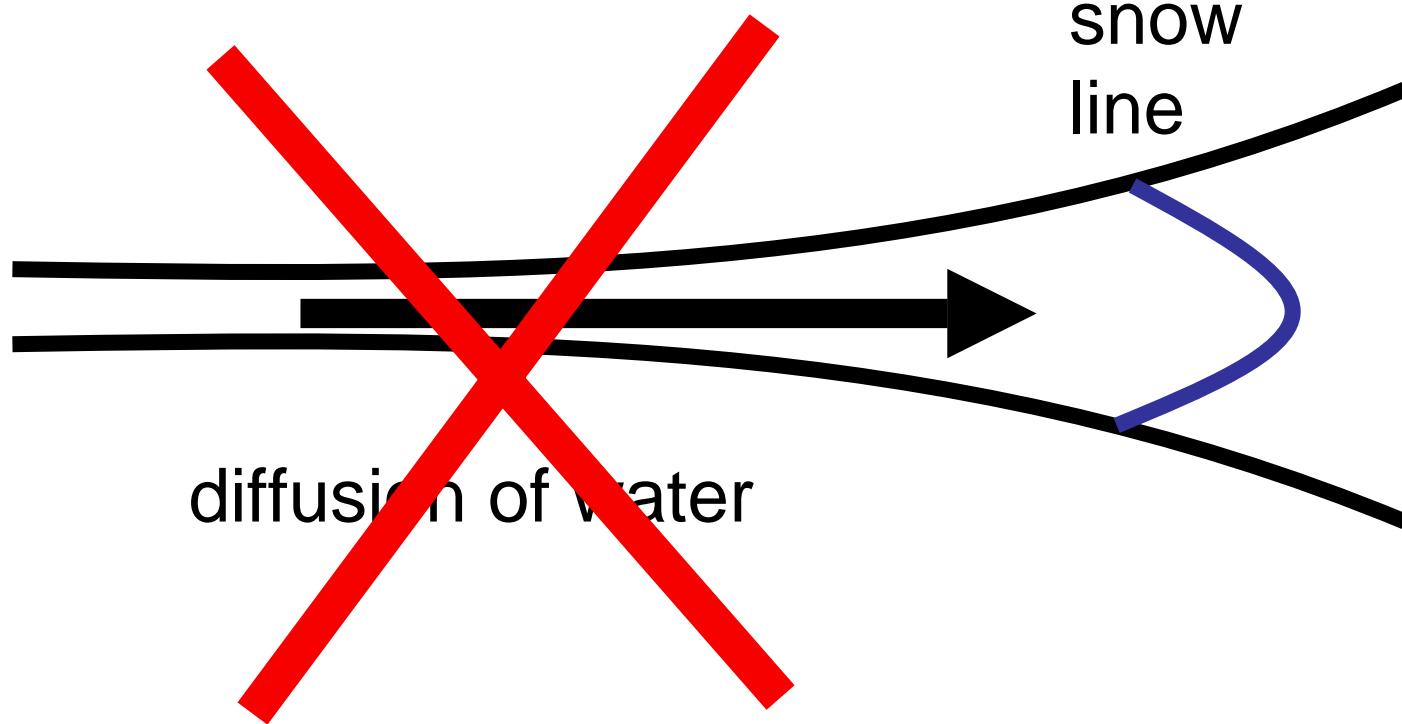
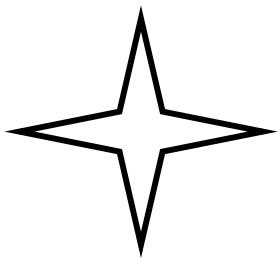






snow
line

diffusion of water





where does the snow go?

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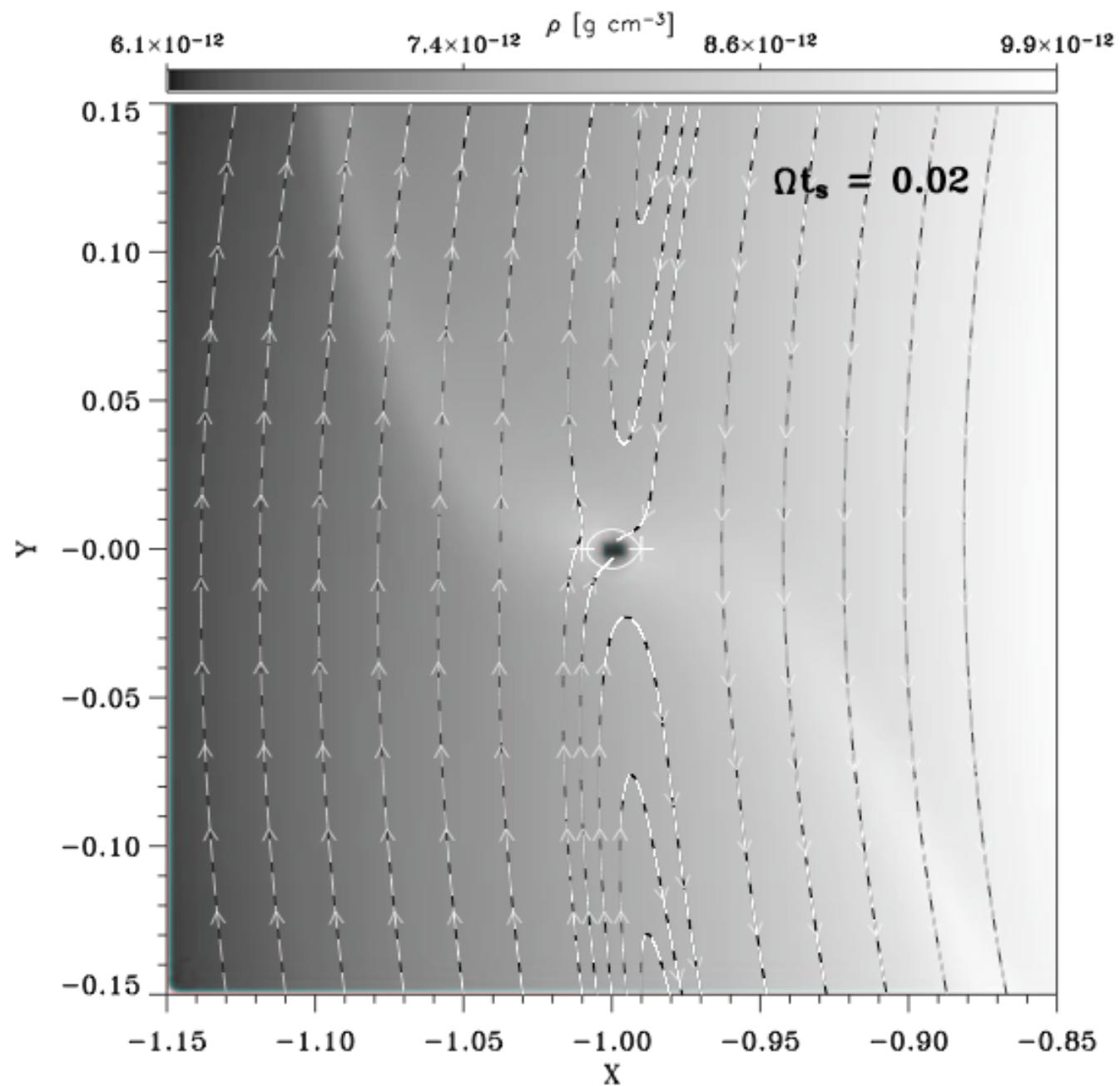
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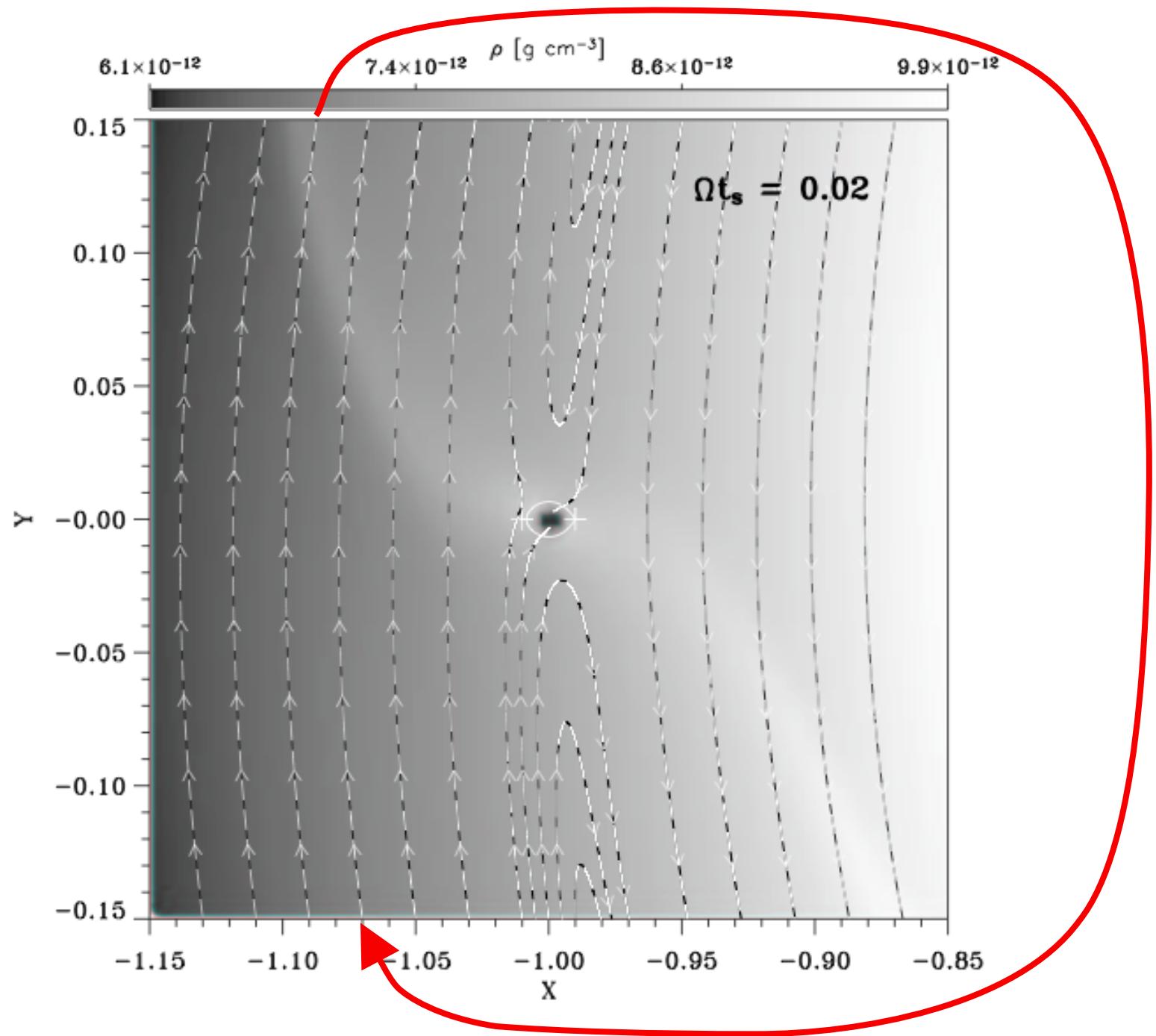
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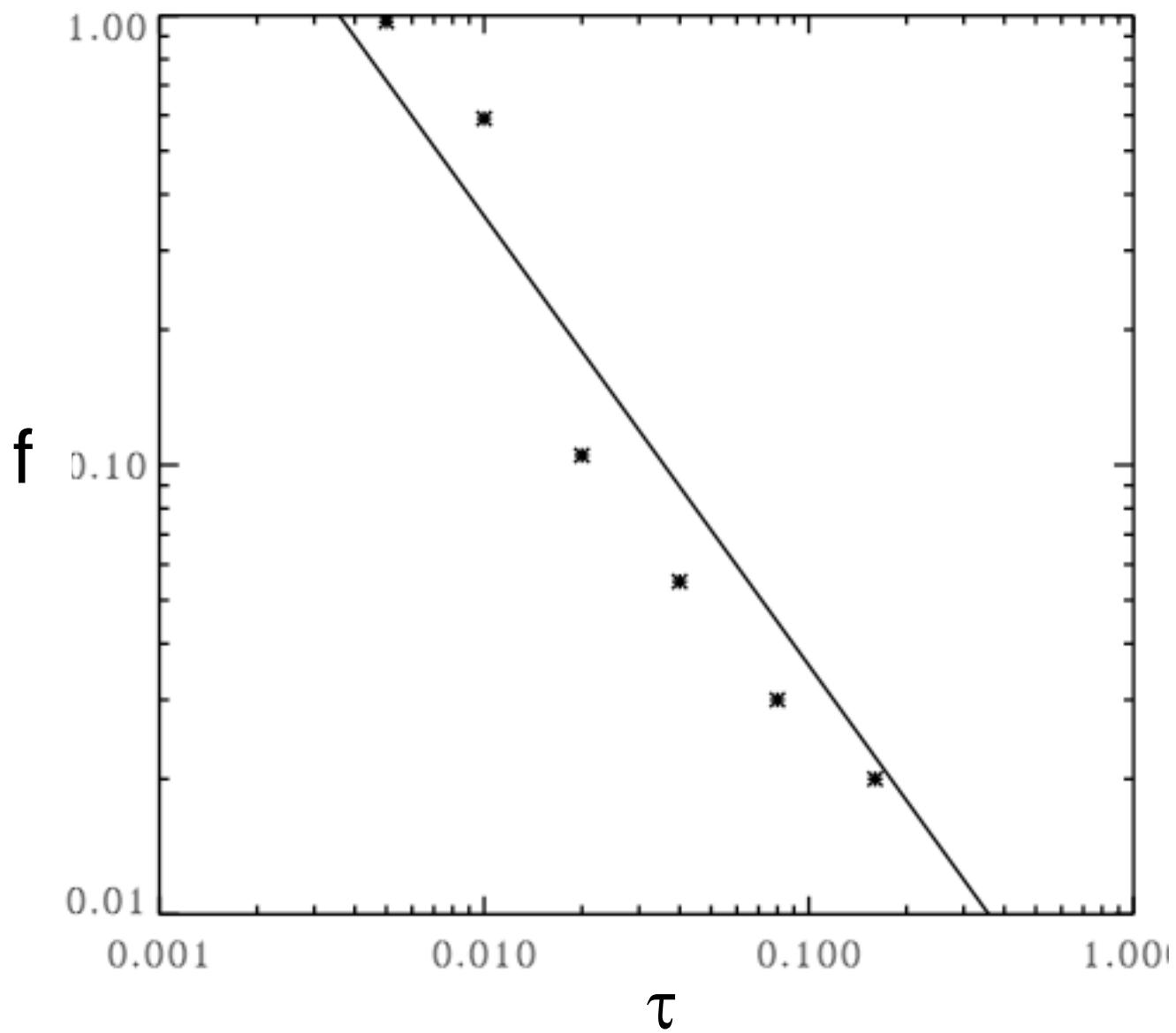
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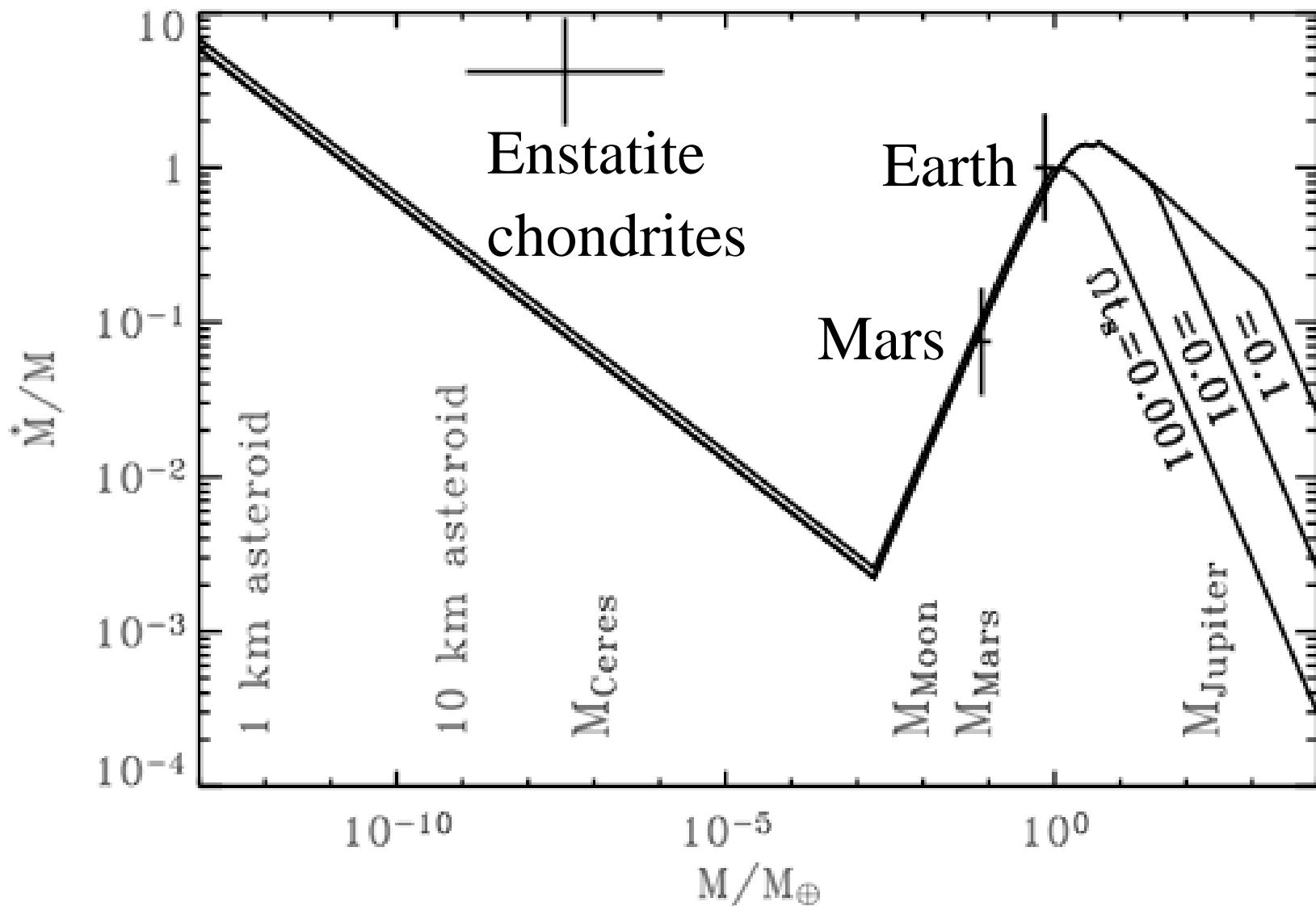
Eccentric/inclined orbits:

increase f by a factor of $(e^2 + i^2)^{1/2}/\eta$









Water Delivery by Icy Planetesimals

- Fine tuning: no giant asteroids seen today
- Giant asteroid must match composition of PUM, unlike any known asteroids (Drake & Righter 2000)
- Lunar-mass objects are likely water-poor