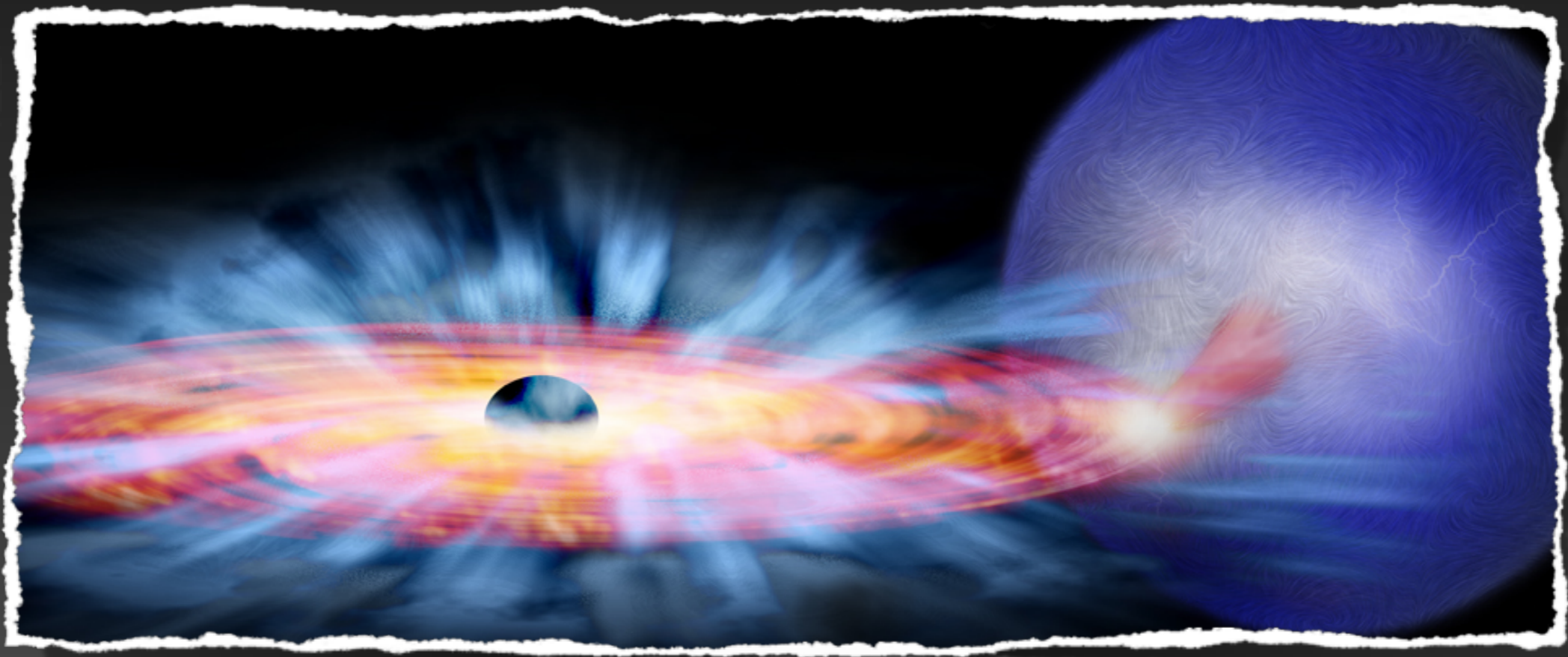


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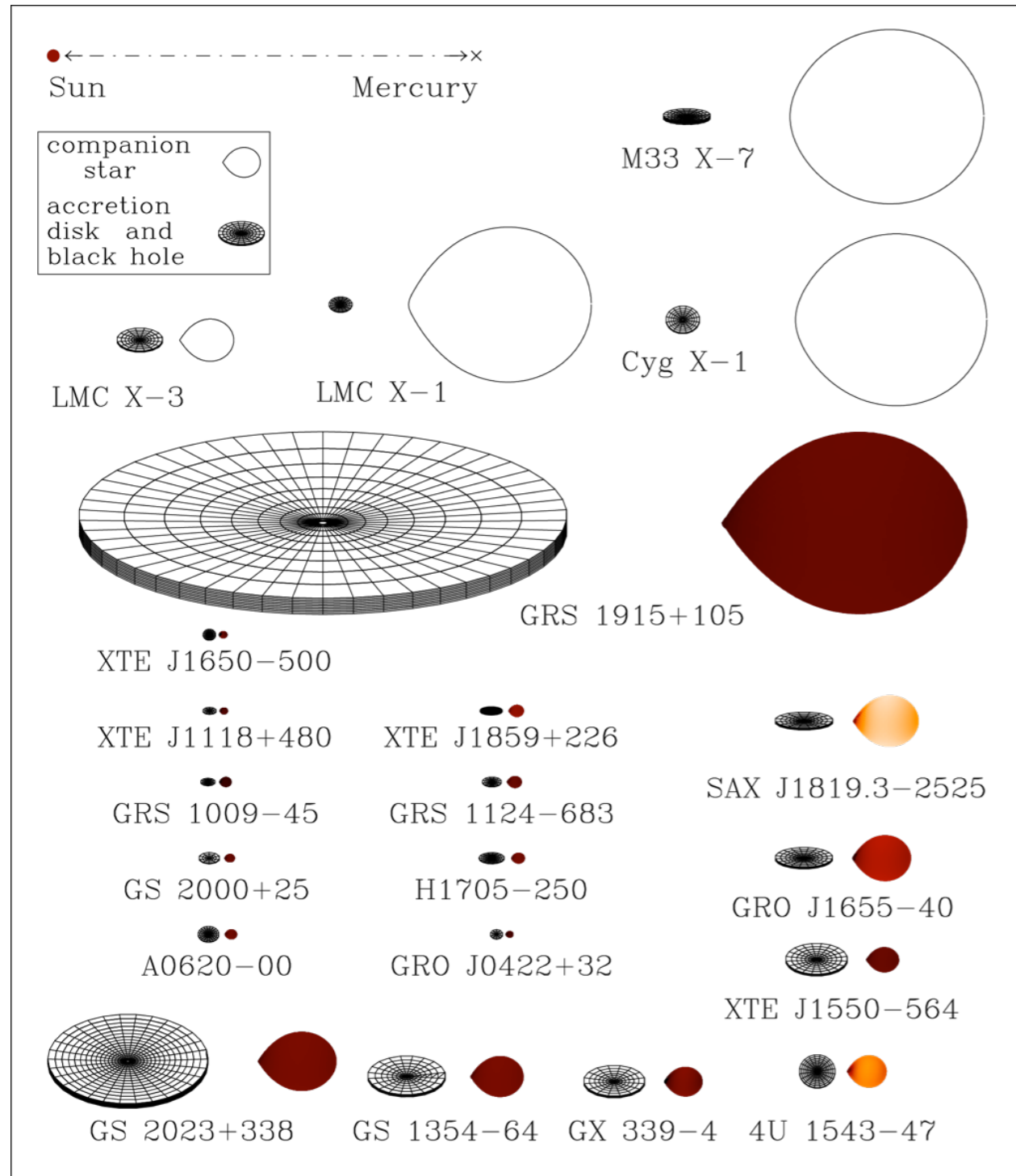
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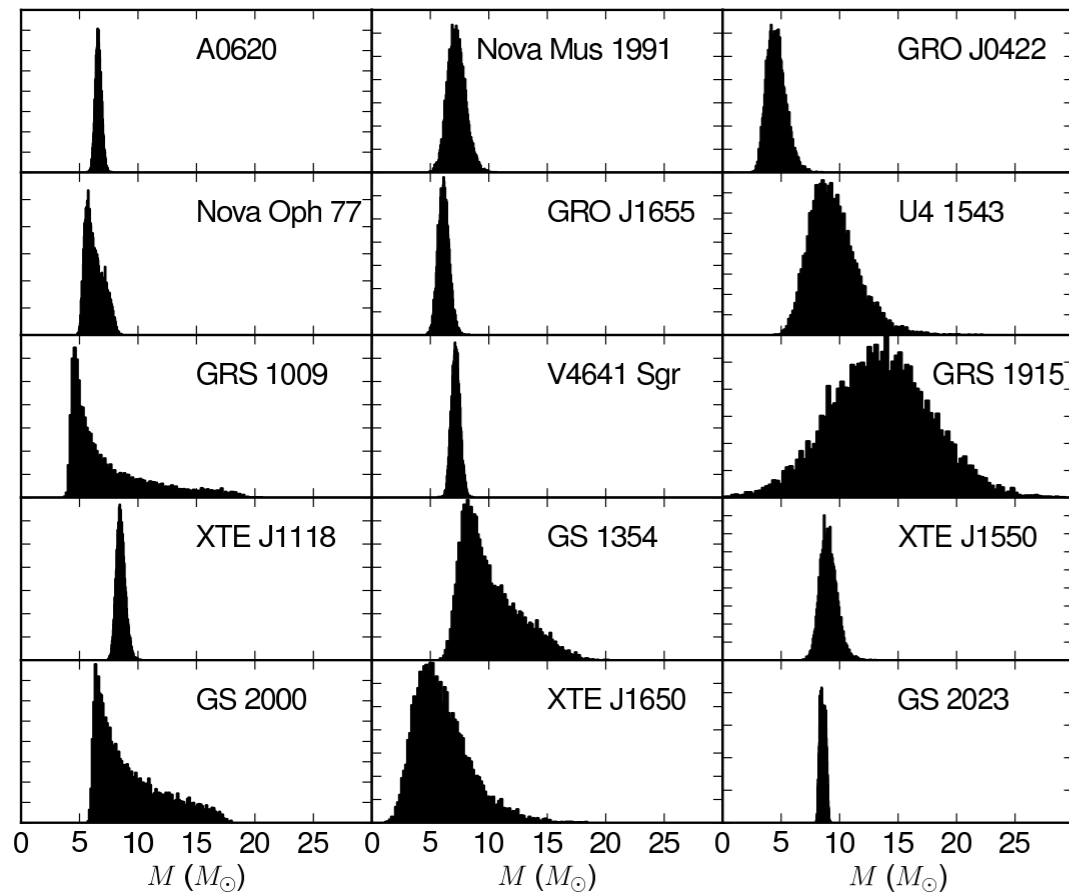
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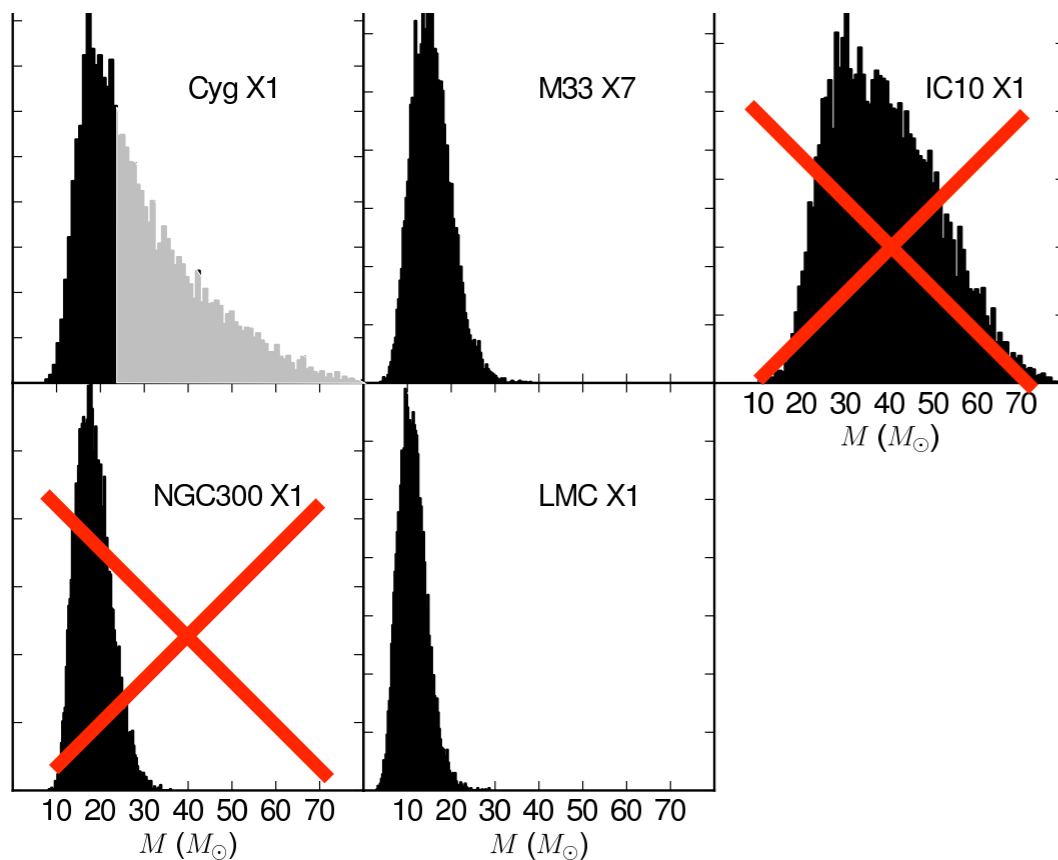
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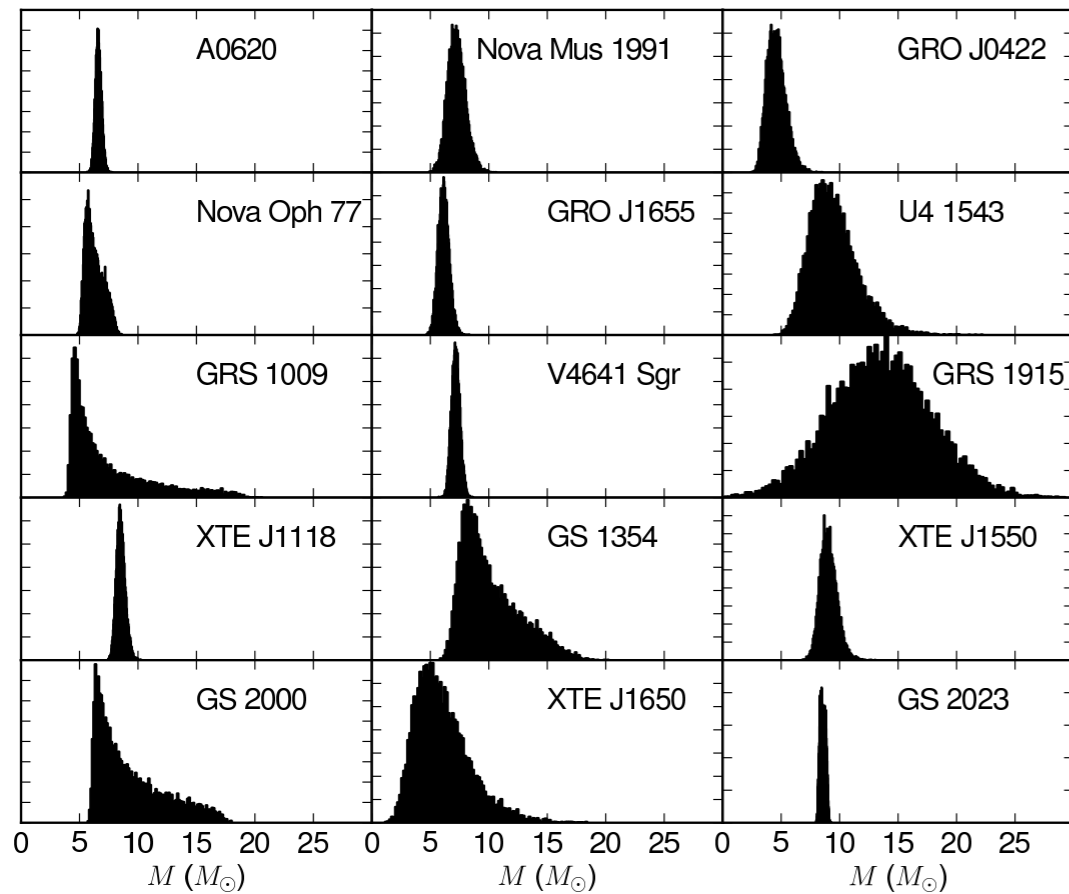
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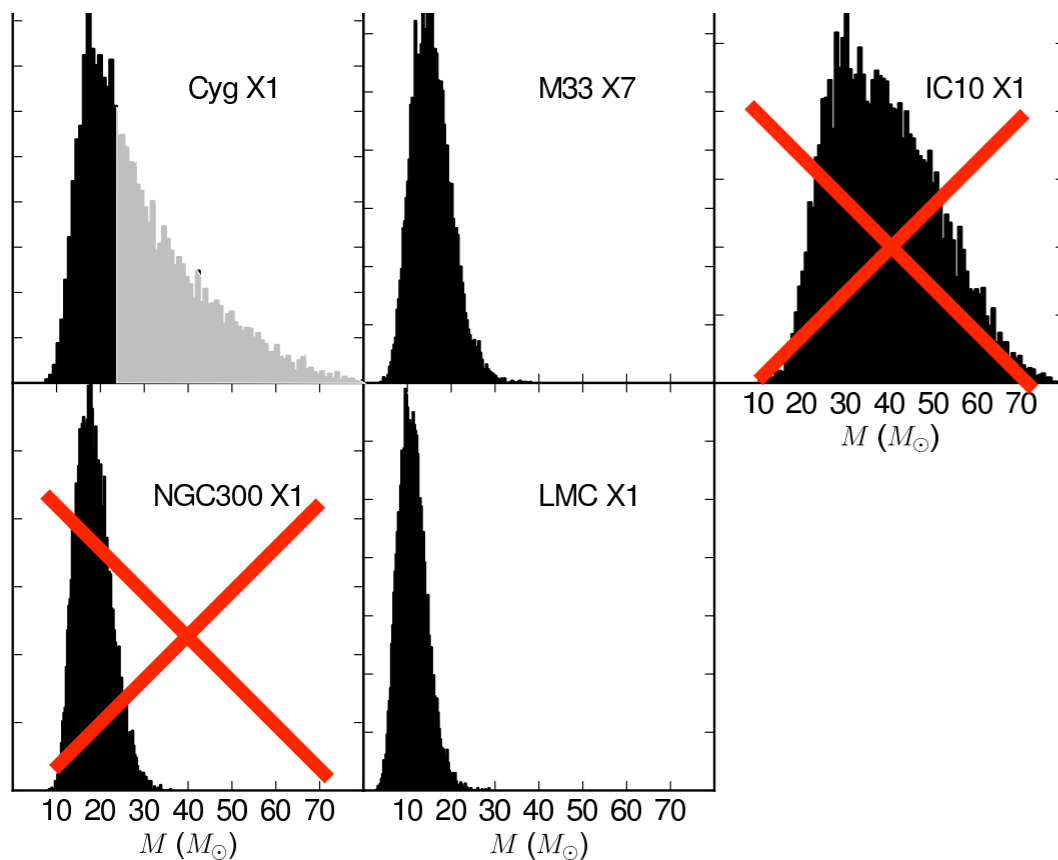
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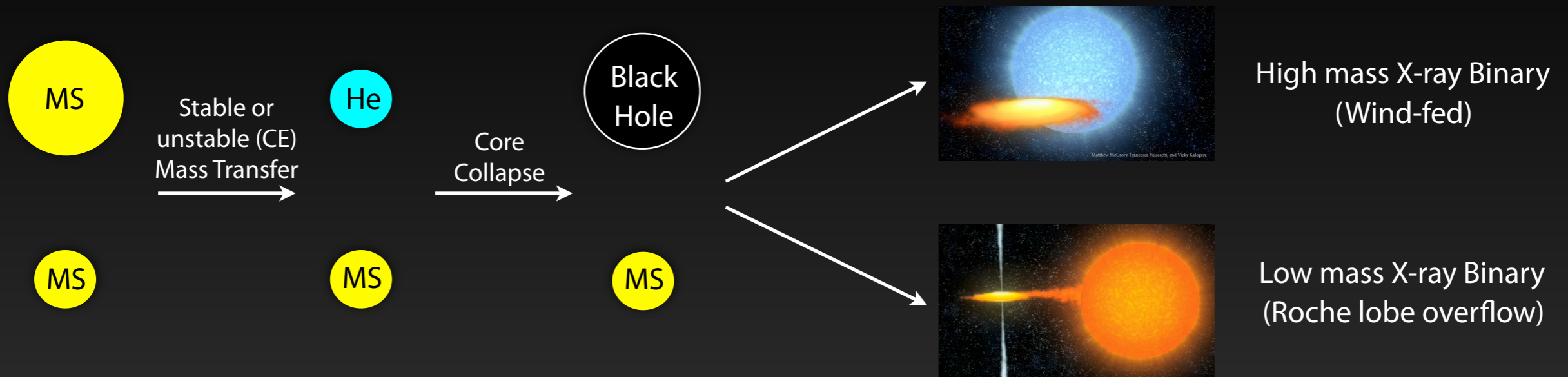
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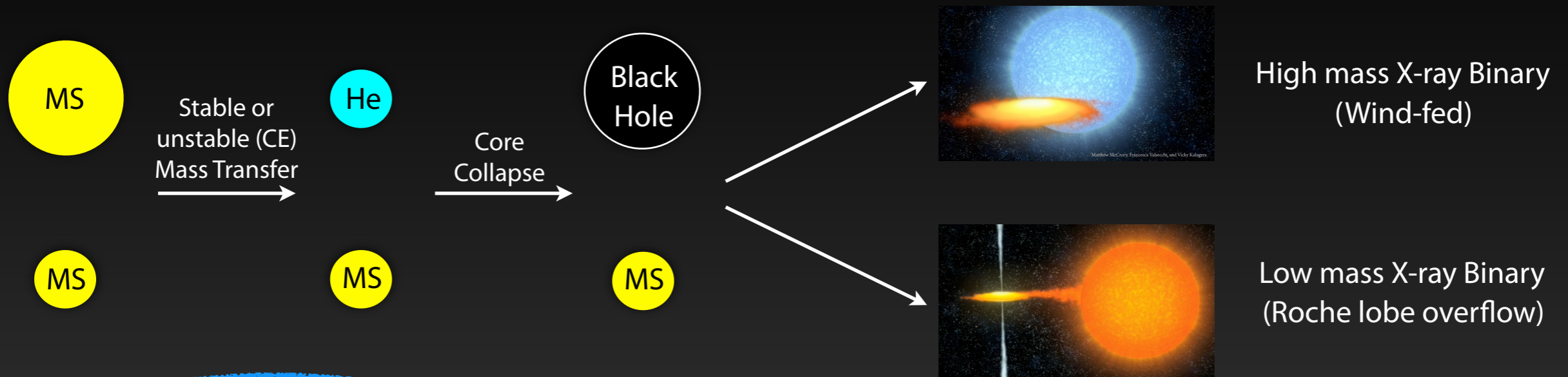
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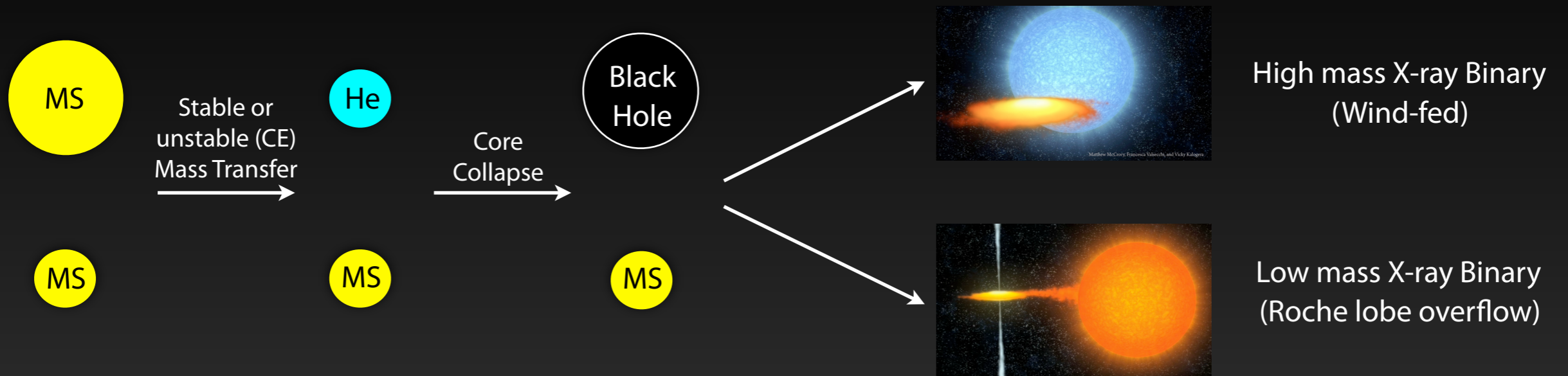
Intermediate mass donors

Justham et al. 2006; Chen & Li 2006; Chen & Podsiadlowski 2016

Case-M Evolution

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Going backwards in time



Currently observed properties: Donor's position on the H-R (T_{eff} vs. L) diagram, BH and donor masses, orbital period, position in the galaxy and 3-D systemic velocity

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Step 2: Model the detached post-SN secular evolution

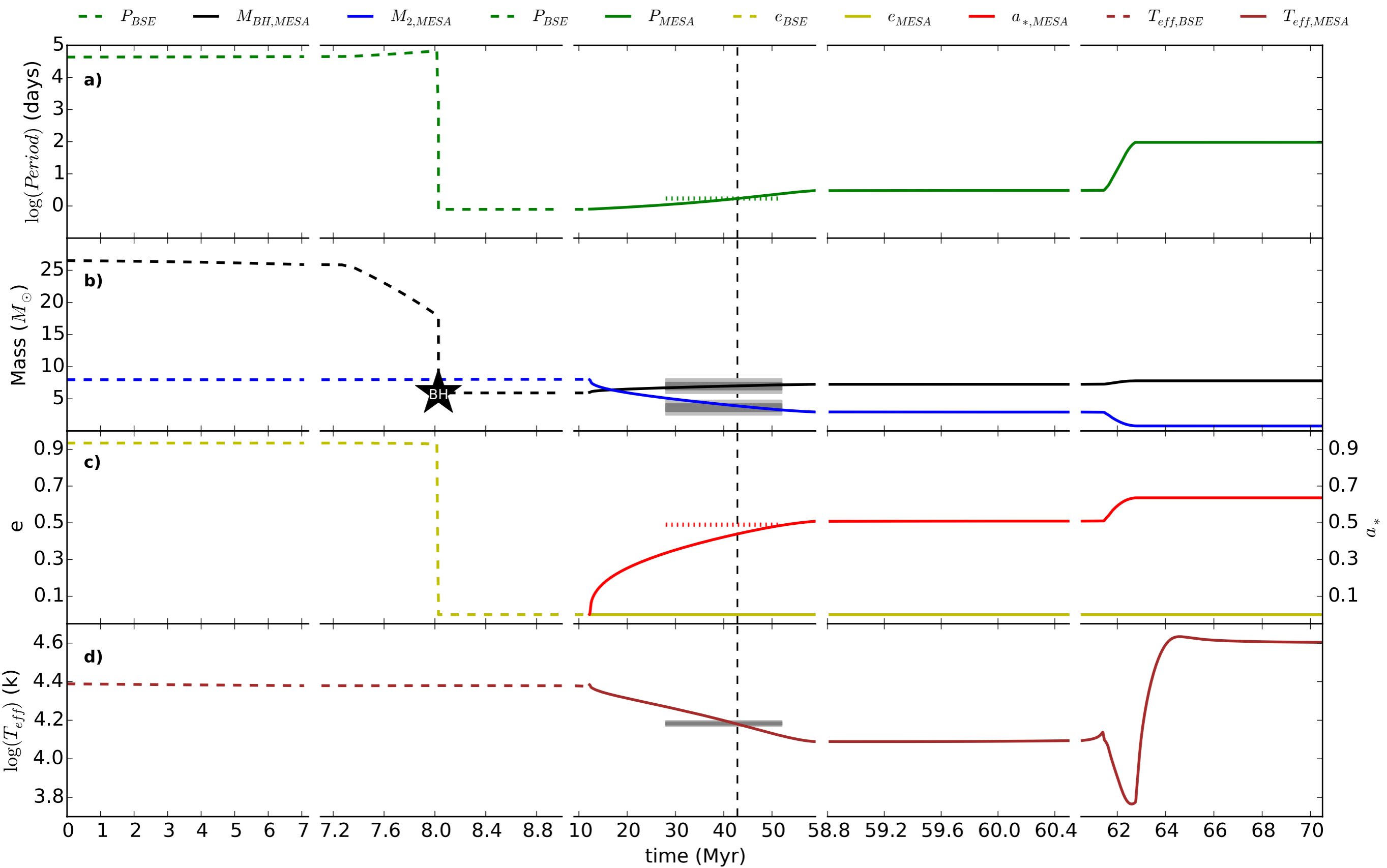
Step 3: Find the peculiar velocity post BH formation

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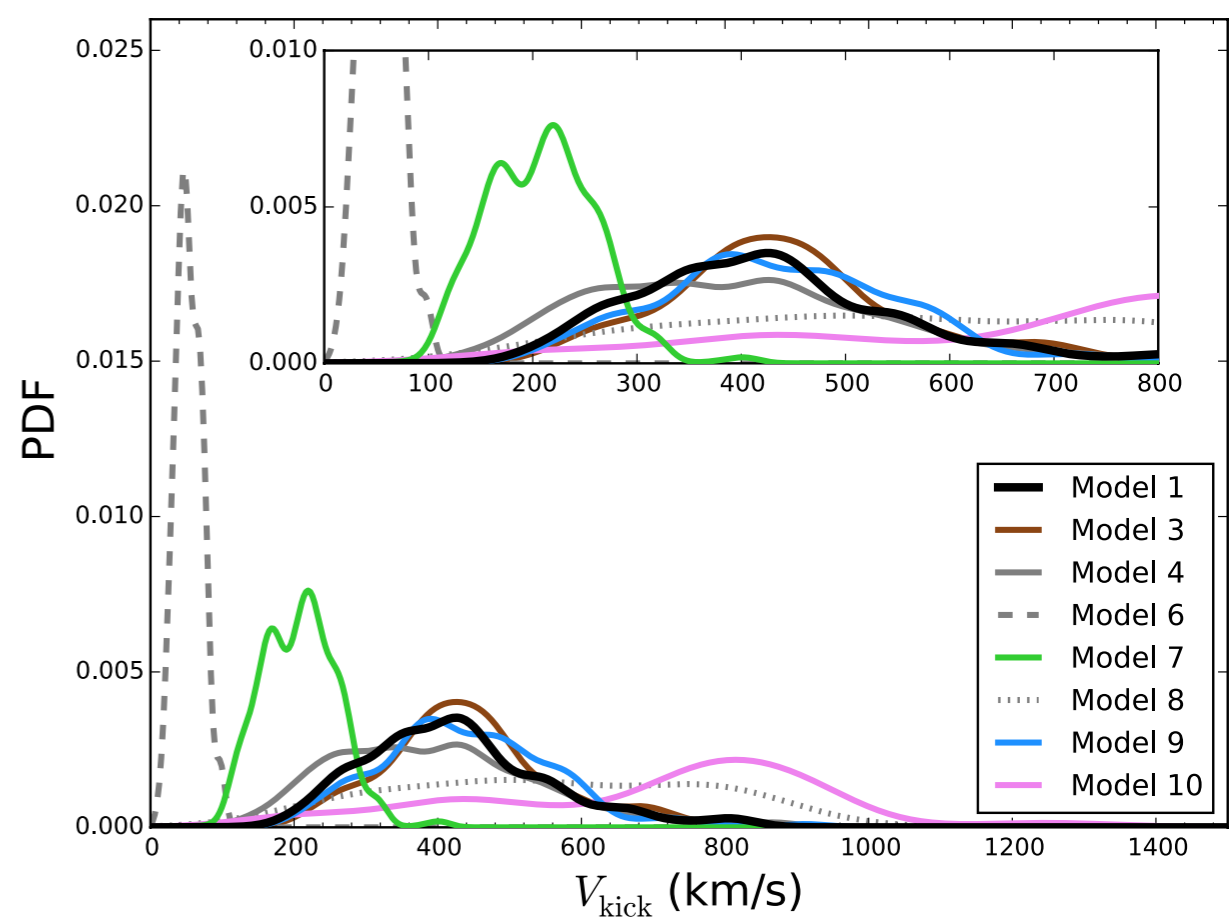
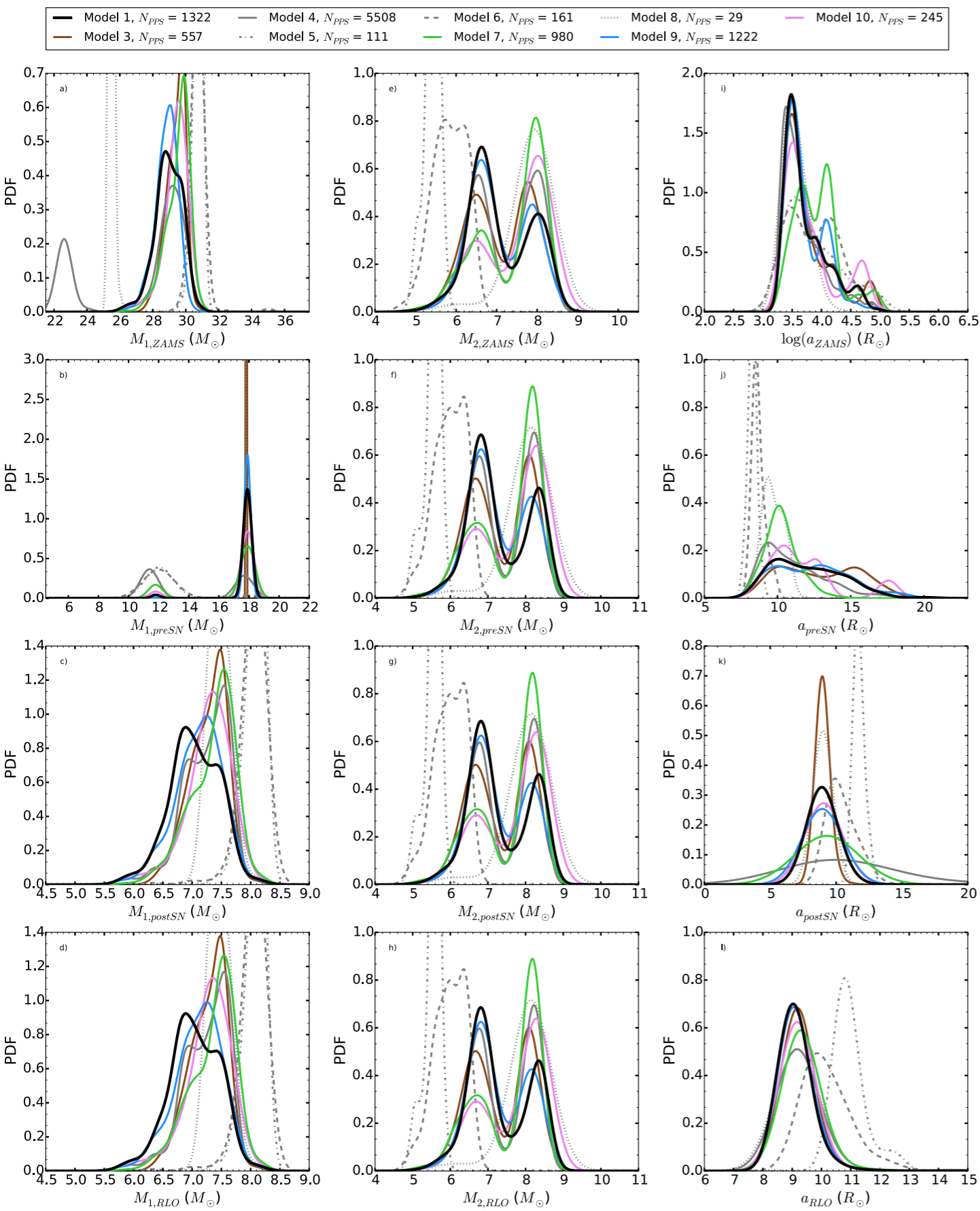
Derive limits on immediate progenitor mass and natal kicks magnitude

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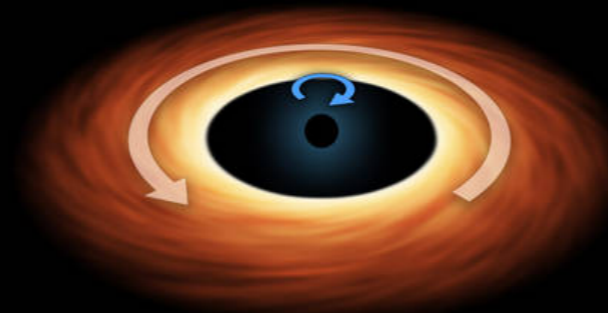
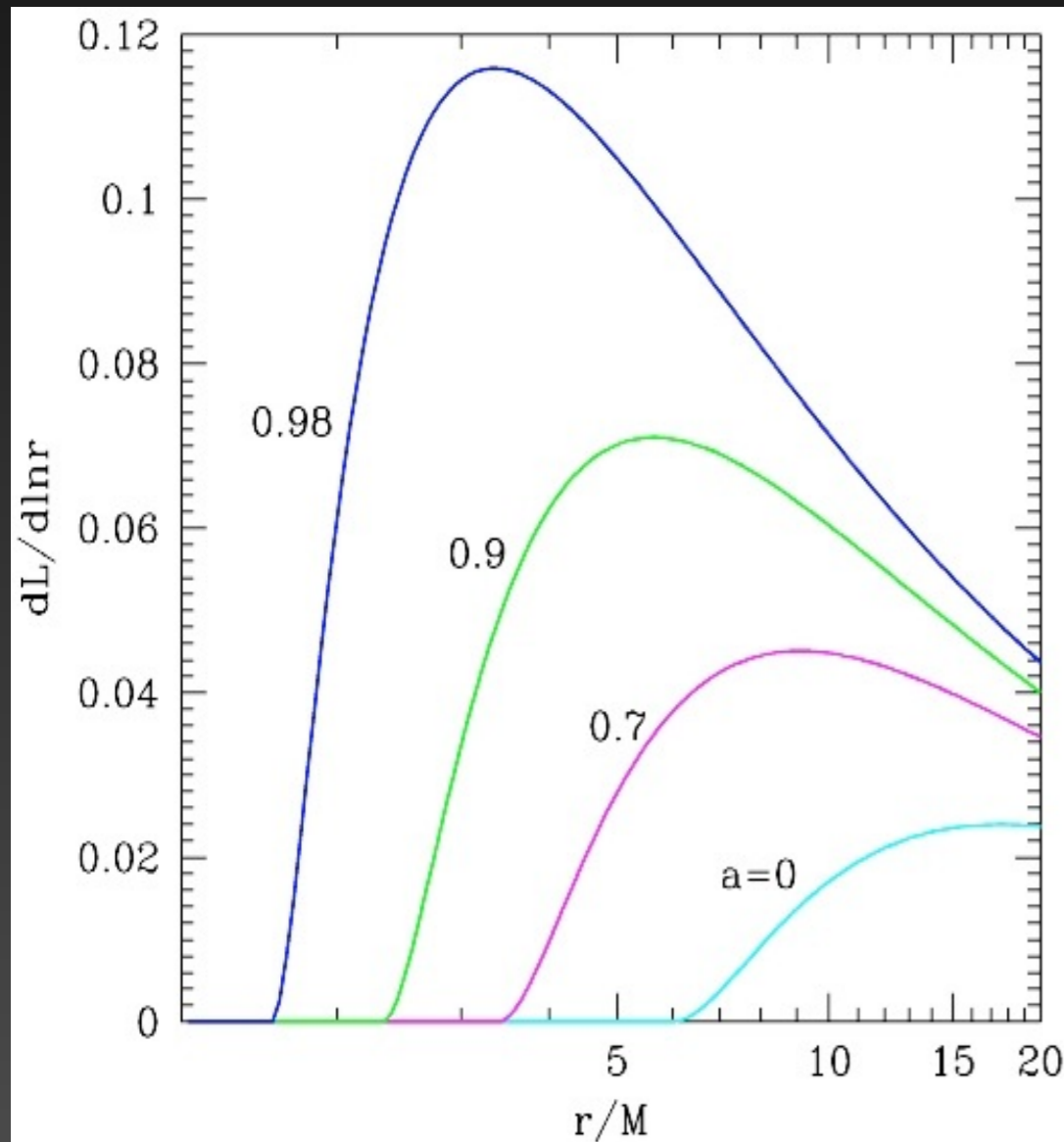
Source	min NK [km/s]	min M_{ej} [M_{\odot}]	max a_{pre} , RLO on MS [R_{\odot}]	max a_{pre} , bound in SN [R_{\odot}]
GS 2000+251	24-47	0.13-0.33	9-37	7800
A0620-00	20-43	0.09-0.32	8-37	8400
Nova Mus 91	62-77	0.17-0.34	8	1400
XTE J1118+480	93-106	0.31-0.37	23-38	570
GRS 1009-45	49-73	0.08-0.28	8-38	2400
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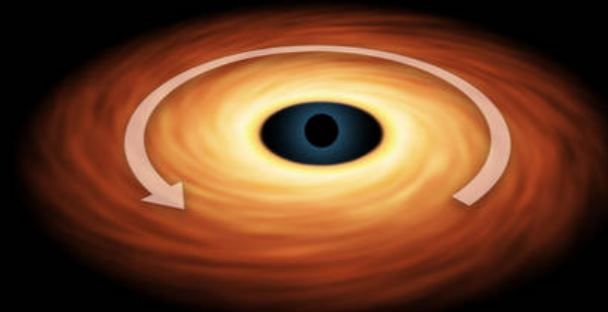
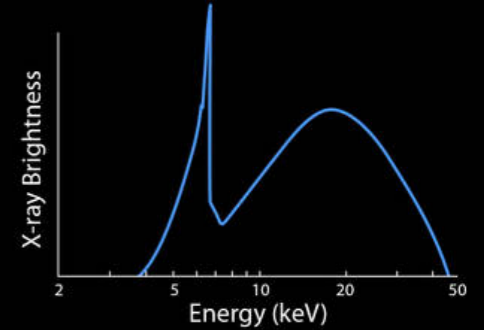
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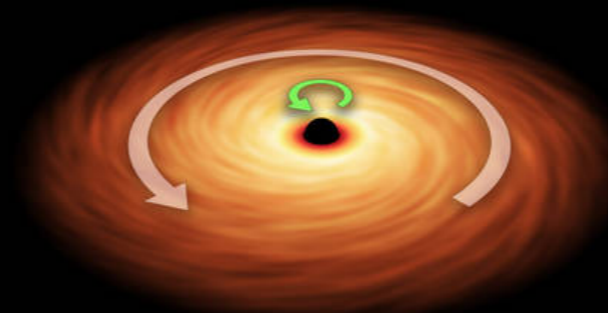
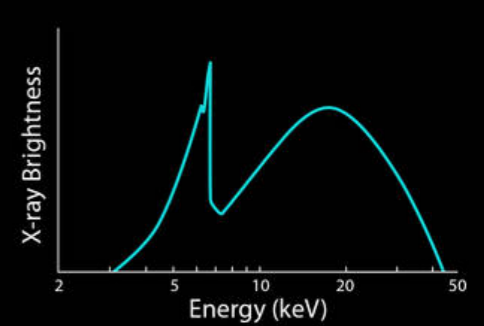
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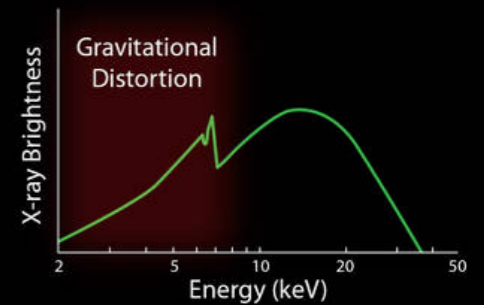
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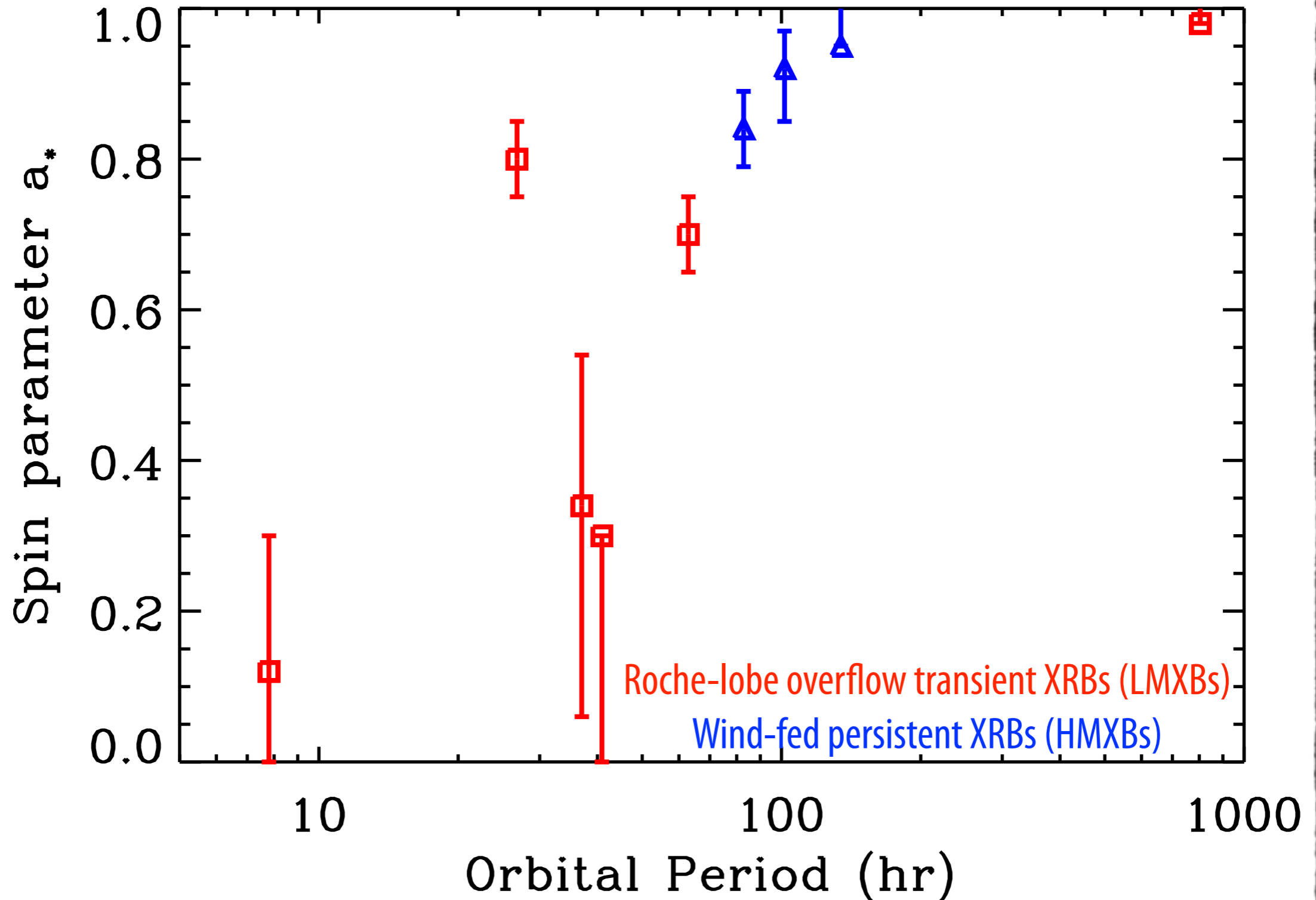
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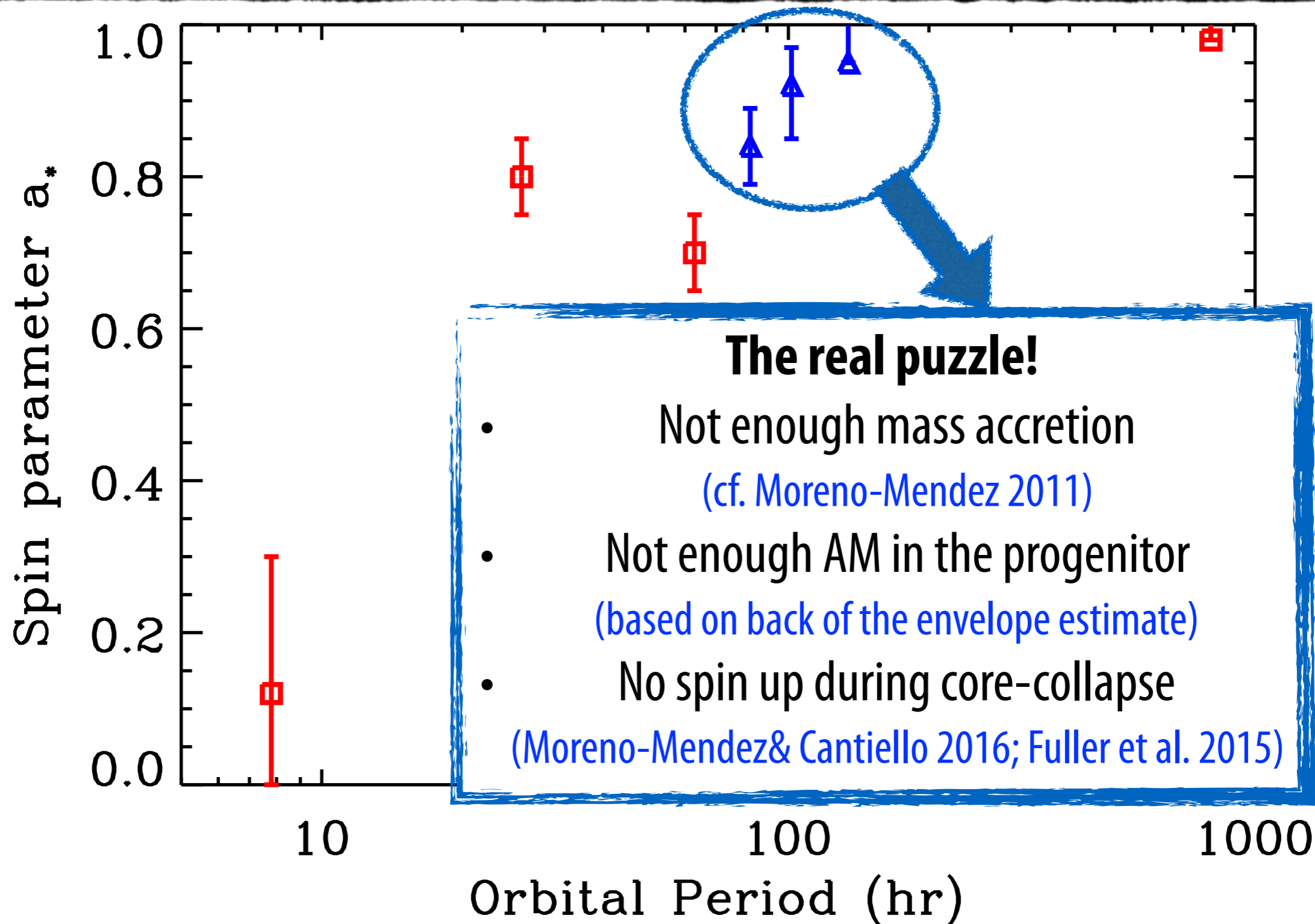
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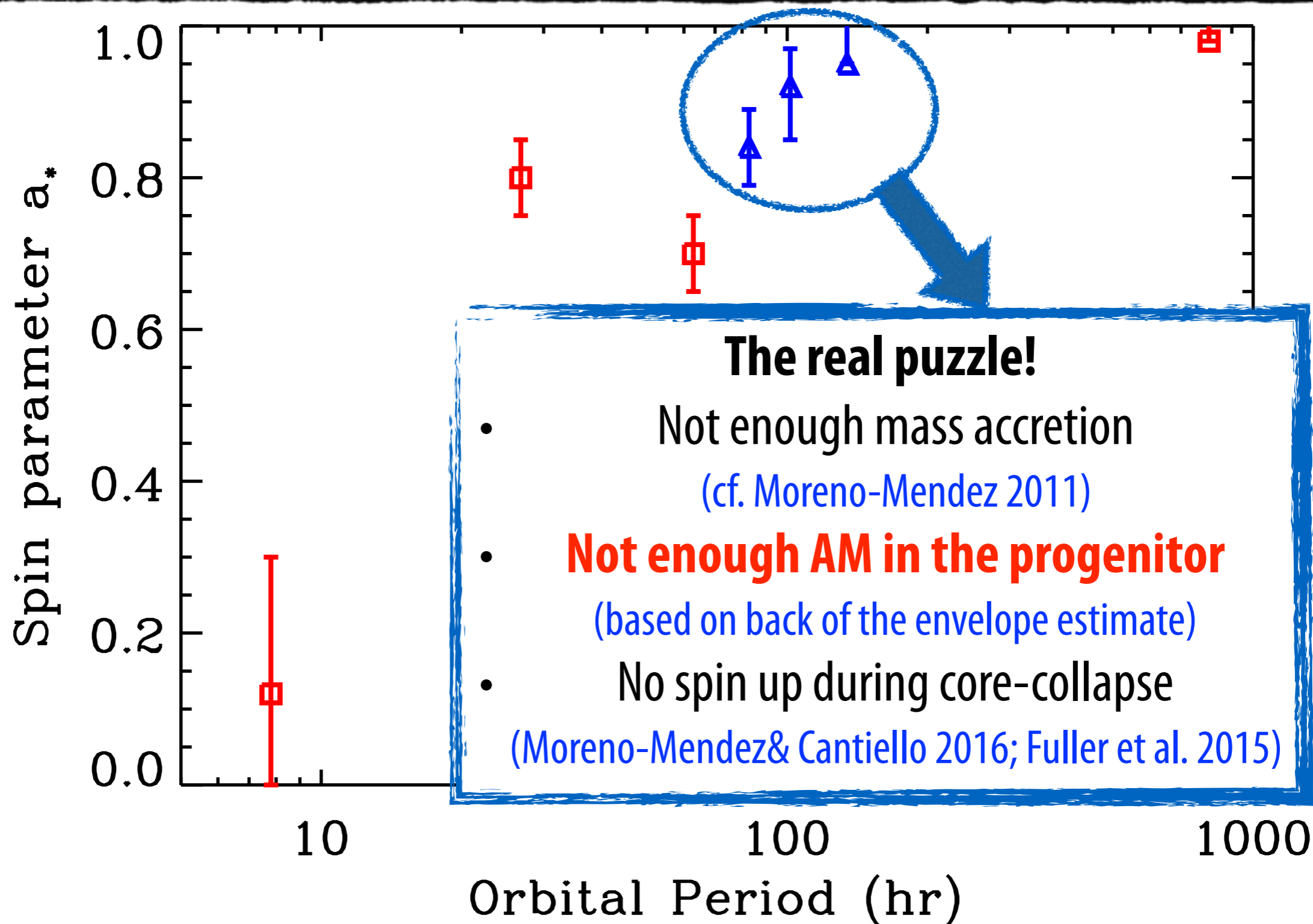
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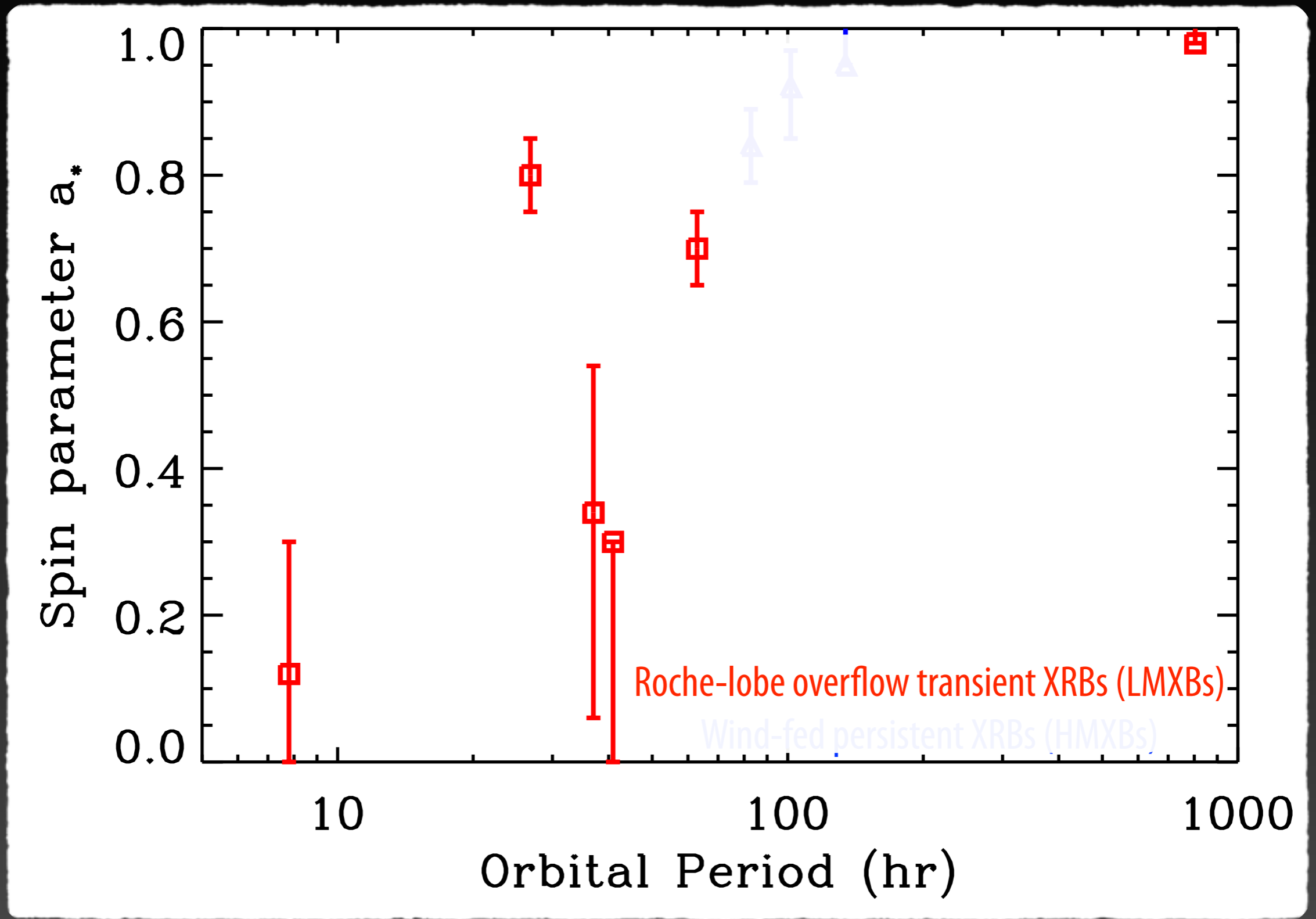
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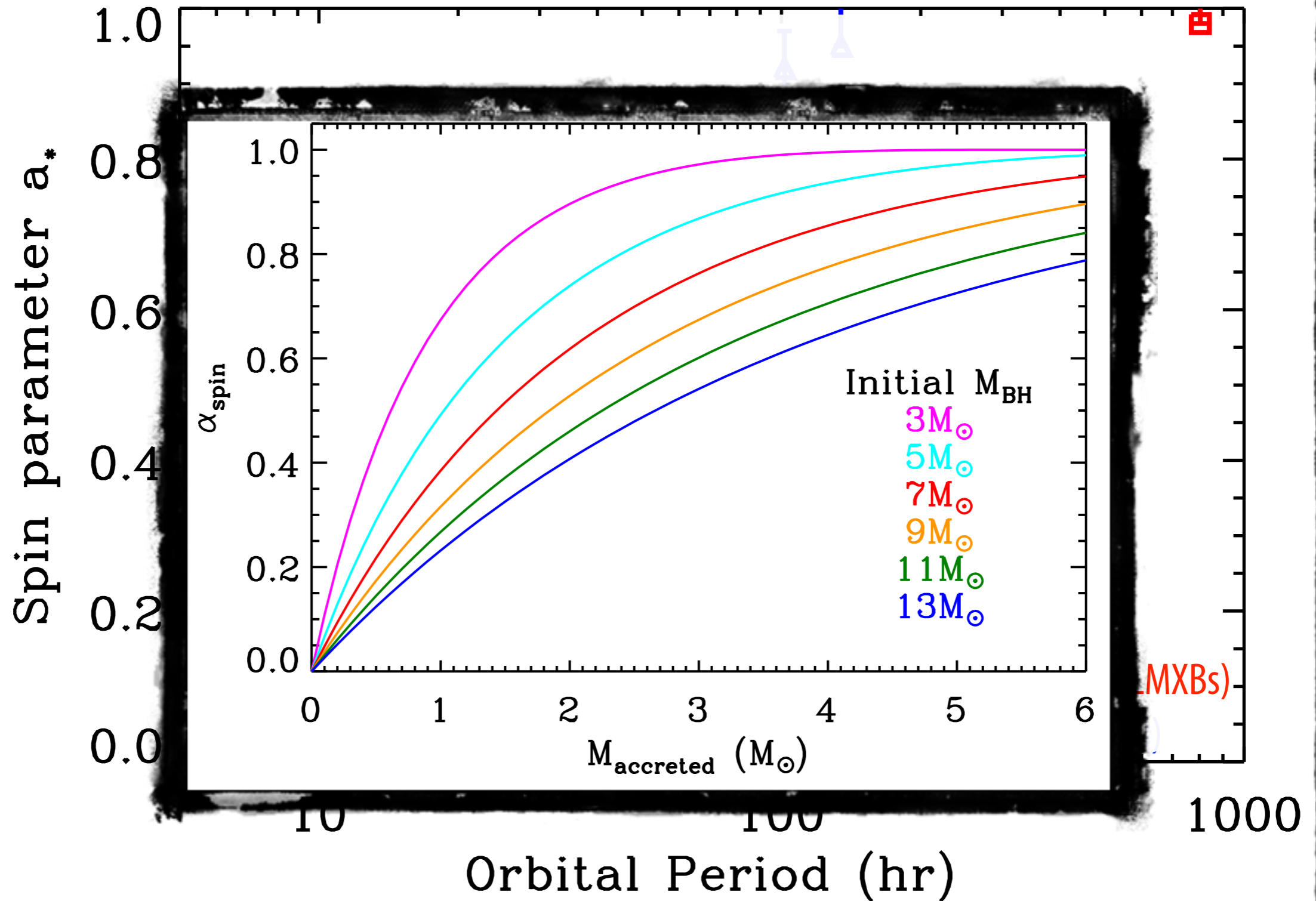
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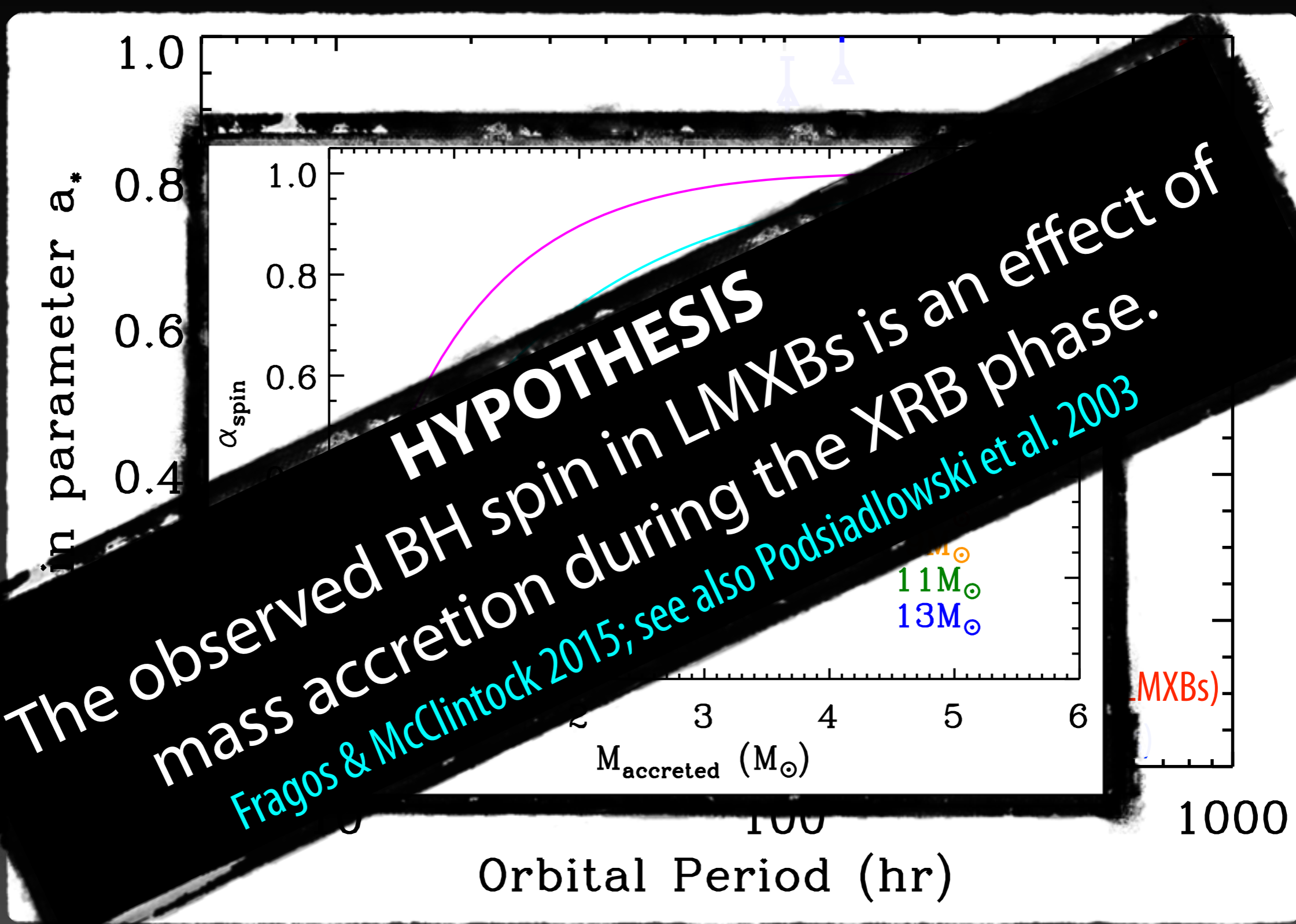
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GRO J1655-40	6.3 ± 0.5	2.4 ± 0.4	2.622	5706-6466	0.7 ± 0.1
XTE J1550-564	9.1 ± 0.61	0.3 ± 0.07	1.542	4700 ± 250	0.34 ± 0.2
A0620-00	6.61 ± 0.25	0.4 ± 0.045	0.323	3800-4910	0.12 ± 0.19
GRS 1124-683	6.95 ± 1.1	0.9 ± 0.3	0.433	4065-5214	0.25 ± 0.15
GX 339-4	$8.0 \pm 1.0^*$	--	1.754	--	0.25 ± 0.15
XTE J1859+226	$8.0 \pm 1.0^*$	--	0.383	--	0.25 ± 0.15
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GRO J0422+32	$8.0 \pm 1.0^*$	0.95 ± 0.25	0.212	2905-4378	--
GRS 1009-45	8.5 ± 1.0	0.54 ± 0.1	0.285	3540-4640	--
GS 1354-64	8.0 ± 1.0	--	2.545	4985-6097	--
GS 2023+338	9.0 ± 0.6	0.54 ± 0.05	6.471	4100-5433	--
H1705-250	6.4 ± 0.75	0.245 ± 0.0875	0.521	3540-5214	--
V4641 Sgr	6.4 ± 0.6	2.9 ± 0.4	2.817	10500 ± 200	--
XTE J1118+480	7.55 ± 0.325	0.17 ± 0.07	0.17	3405-4640	--

* No reliable BH mass measurement is available. Using fiducial value from Ozel et al. (2010)

† Spin estimates from Steiner et al. (2013) using the BH spin - jet power correlation (Narayan & McClintock, 2012)

The origin of black-hole spin

Retrieved binary properties at the onset of RLO

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XTE J1550-564	7- 9	0.9-1.5	0.3- 0.9	0.6-1.2	0.44
A0620-00	5- 6	1.1-1.8	0.6- 0.8	0.7-1.3	0.59
GRS 1124-683	4- 8	1.0-1.8	0.3- 0.9	0.3-1.1	0.62
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GRO J0422+32	5- 9	0.8-1.5	0.3- 0.7	0.2-1.0	0.49
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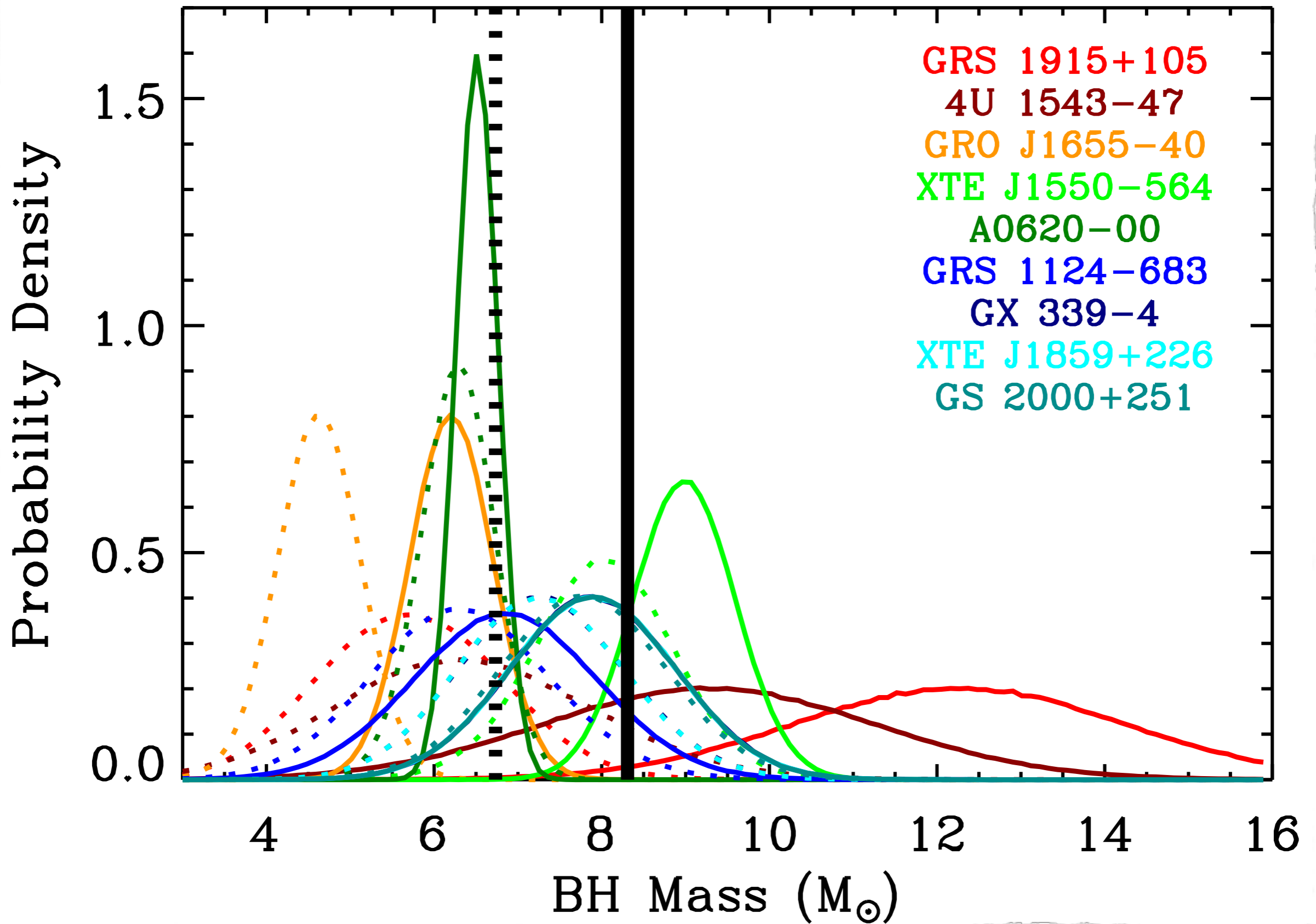
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Implications on birth black-hole mass

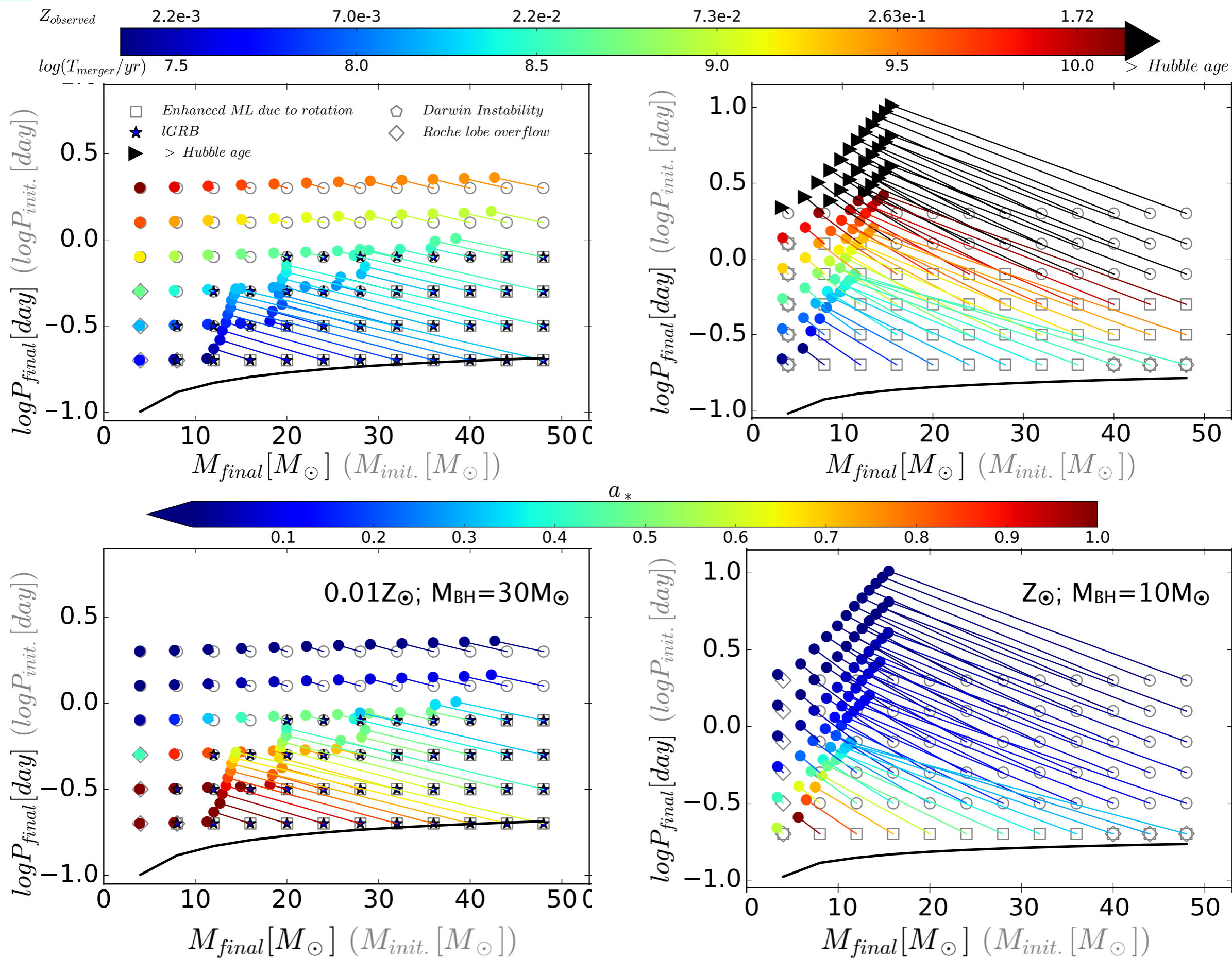
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Spinning up a BH progenitor via tides

Qin, TF et al. (2017; in preparation)

see also Detmers et al. 2007; Kushnir et al. 2016a,b; Hotokezaka & Piran 2017

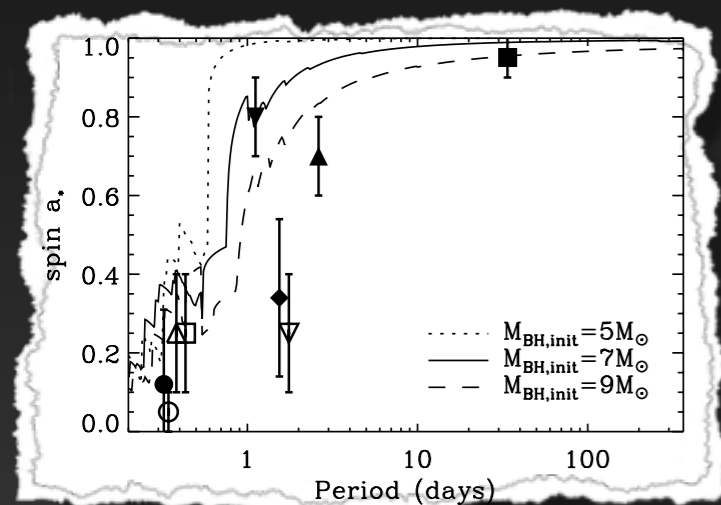
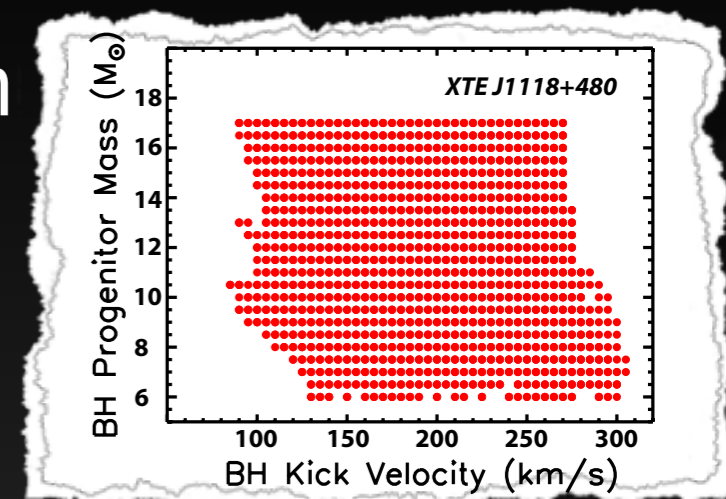


Summary

Based on the currently observed properties of BH XRBs, one can recover their evolutionary history and put constraints on natal kicks.

Strong evidence for large kick (> 100 km/s) only for XTE J1118+480.

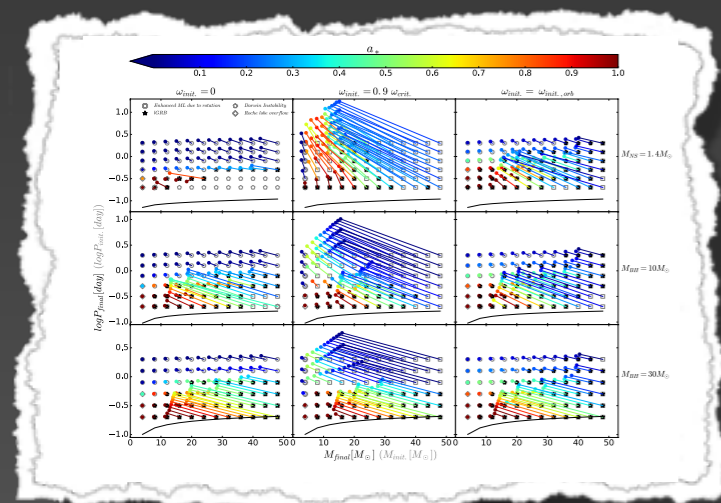
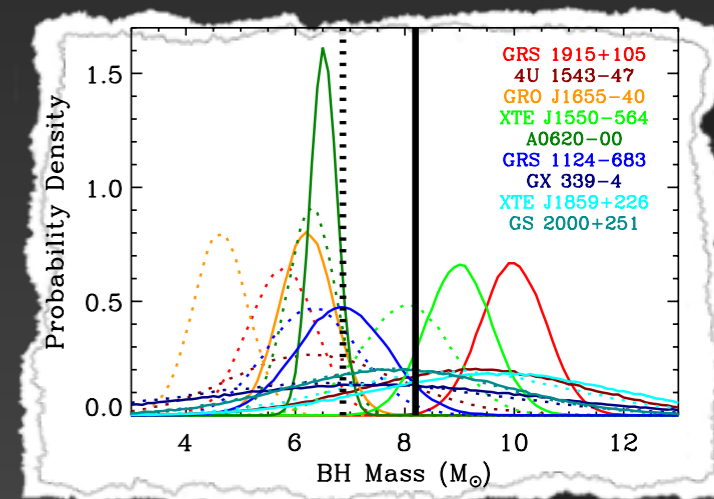
We should wait for GAIA proper motions in mid-2018



The observed BH spin in LMXBs *can* be due to mass accretion during the XRB phase.

The BH spin in HMXBs is likely a result of the angular momentum of the BH progenitor, *but some fine-tuning is needed.*

If the observed BH spin in LMXBs is due to accretion, the observed M_{BH} spectrum can differ significantly from the birth one.



LIGO constraints on the second-born BH are consistent with the "Classical" binary formation channel. Observed spins are expected to be small as high spins correlate with short merger times

Stability of mass-transfer

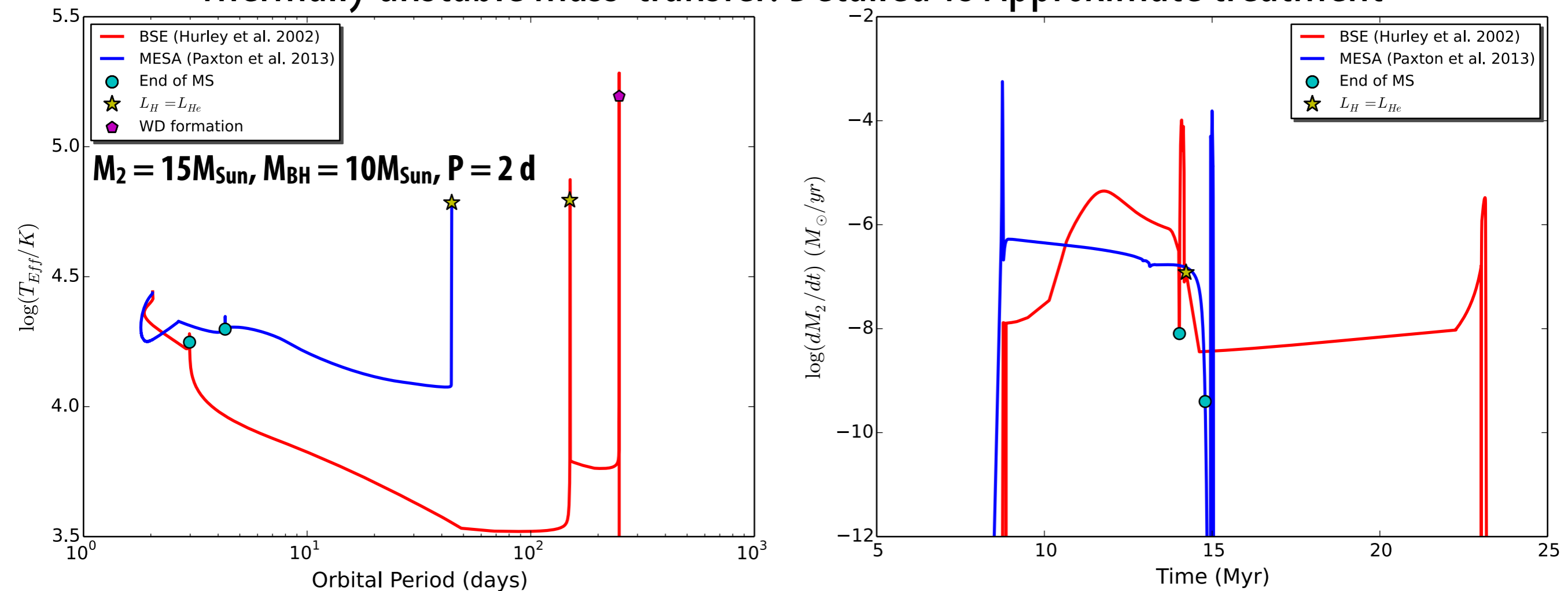
Assuming hydrostatic equilibrium and adiabatic mass-loss, $q = M_2/M_{NS} > 2.2 - 3$ leads to dynamical instability

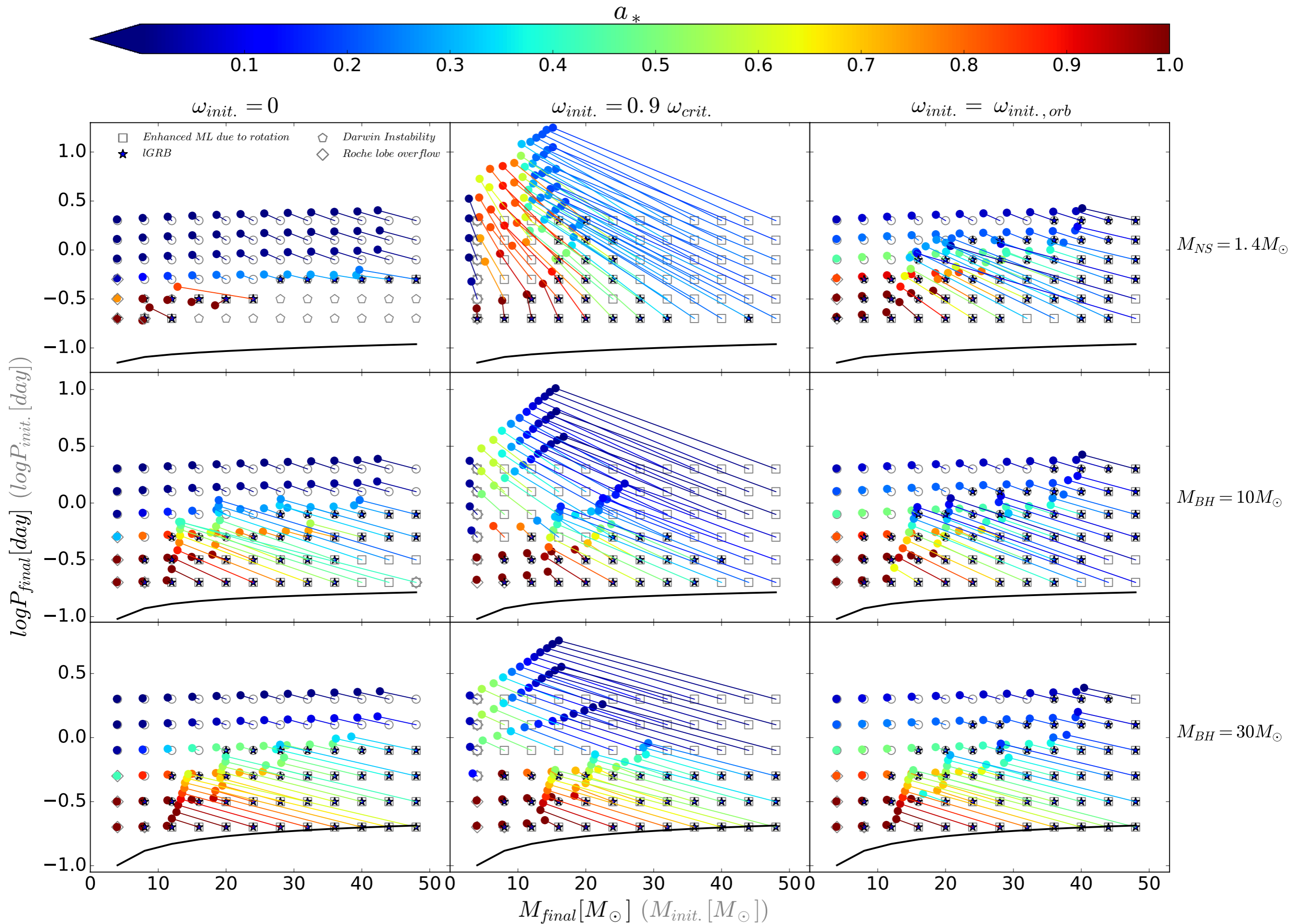
(e.g. Hjellming & Webbink 1987; Ivanova & Taam 2004)

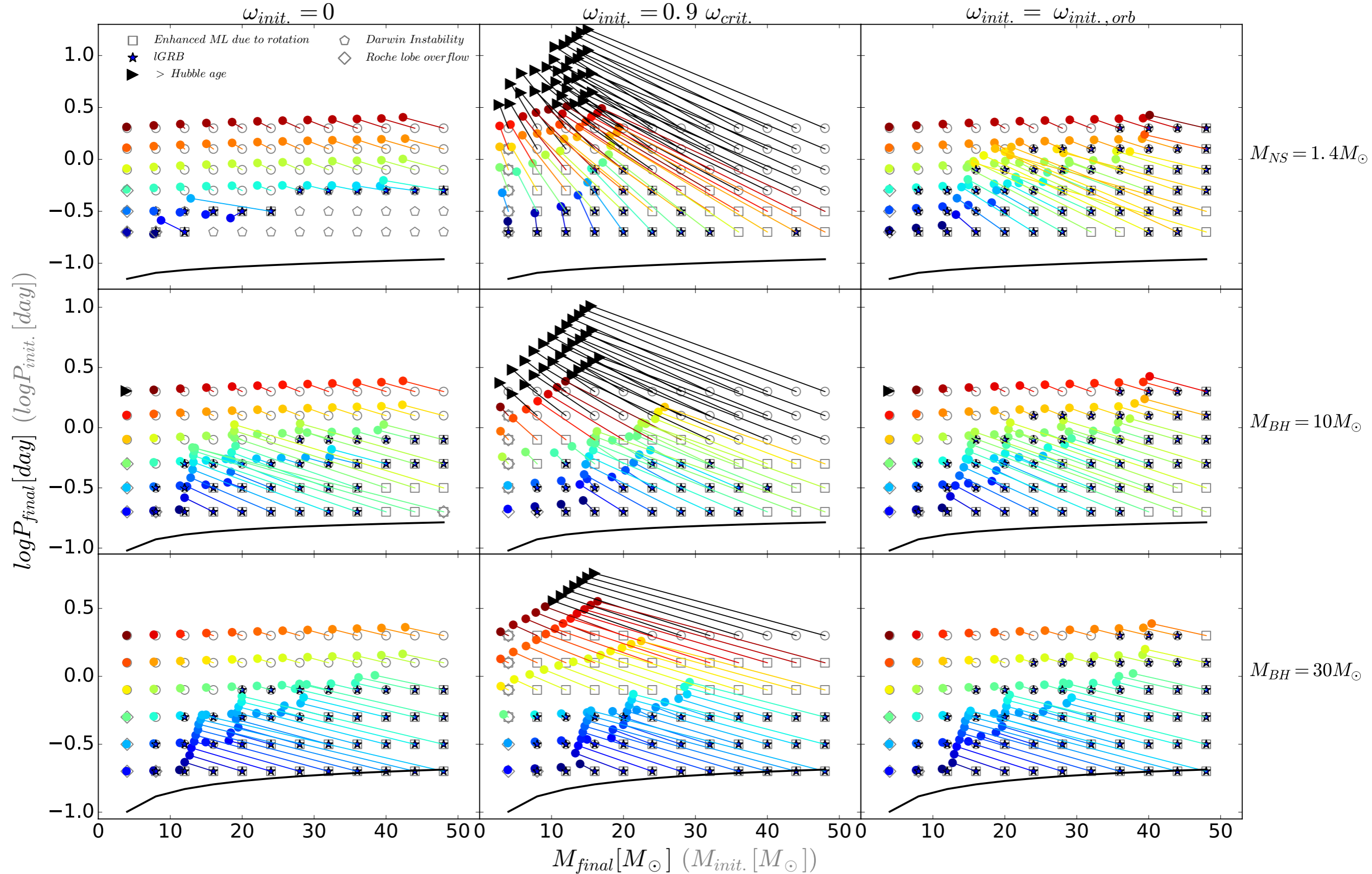
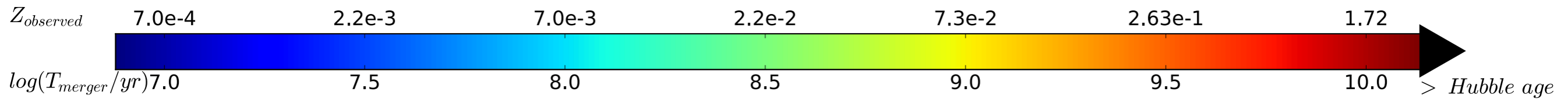
BUT see more recent: Passy et al. (2012) and Pavlovskii & Ivanova (2015)

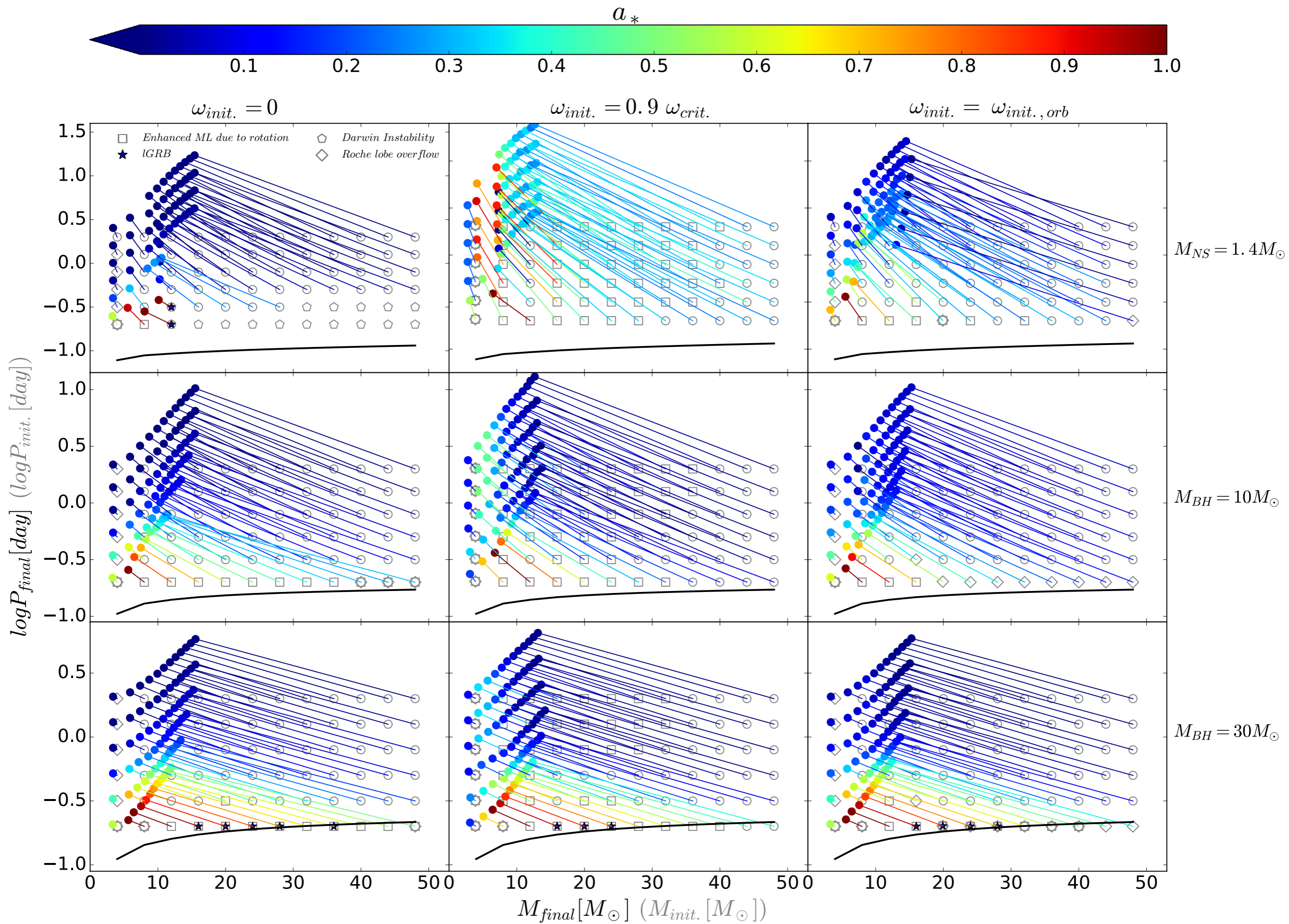
Accuracy of thermally unstable mass-transfer in parametric binary population synthesis codes

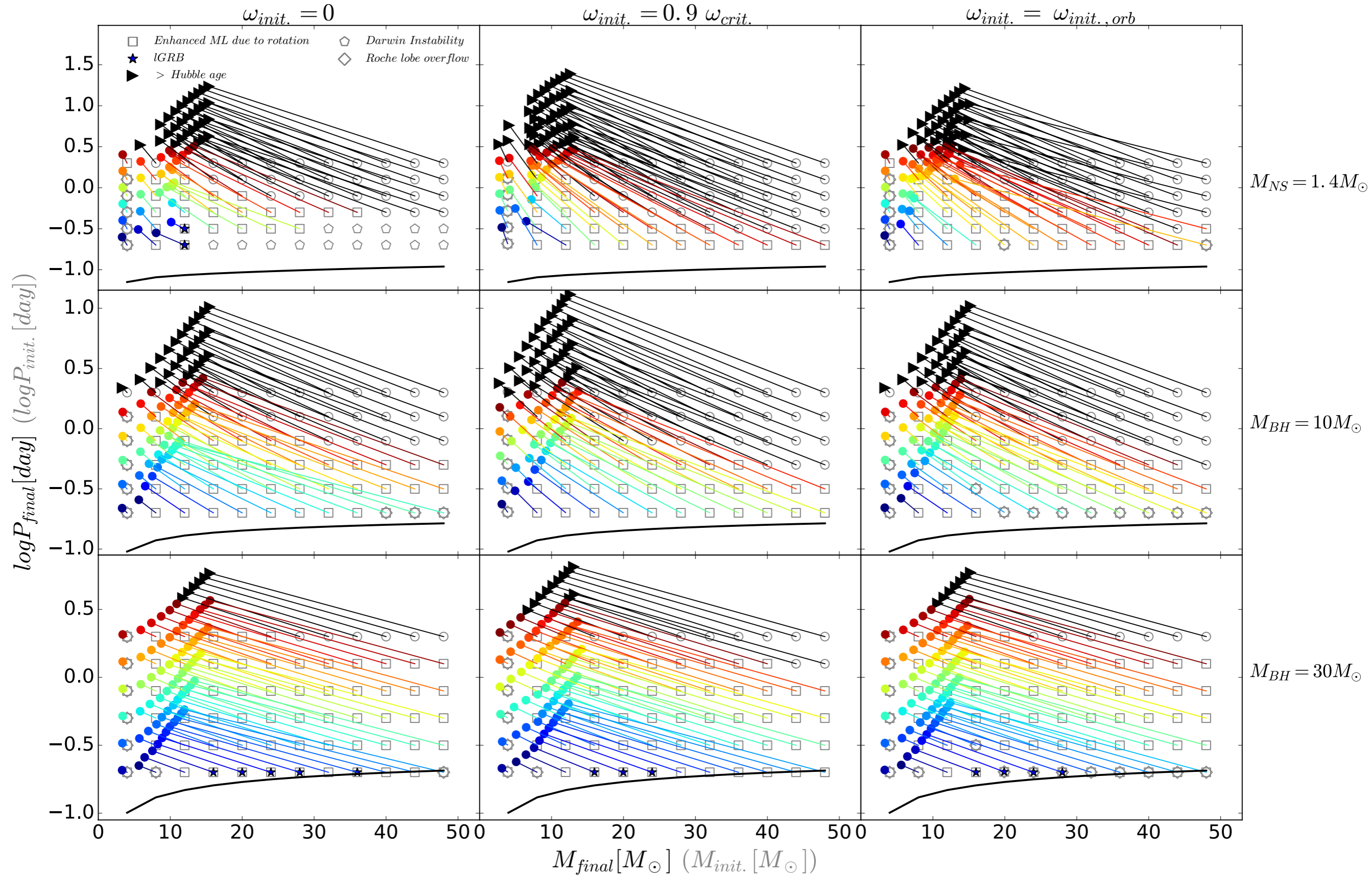
Thermally unstable mass-transfer: Detailed vs Approximate treatment



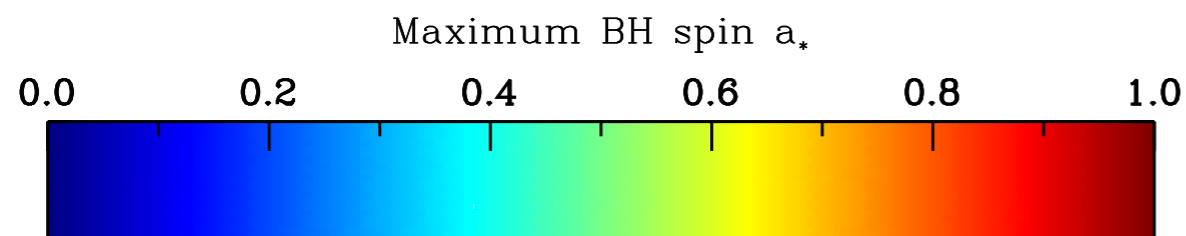
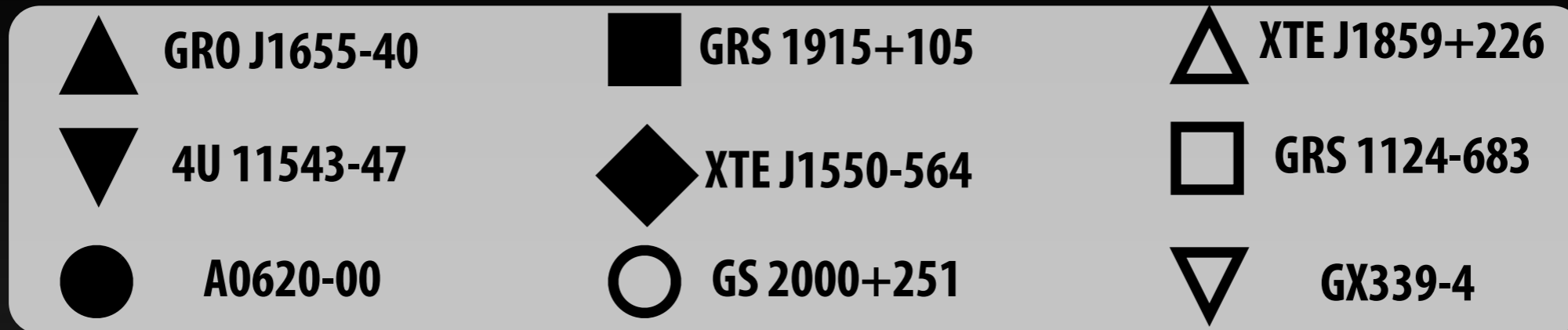




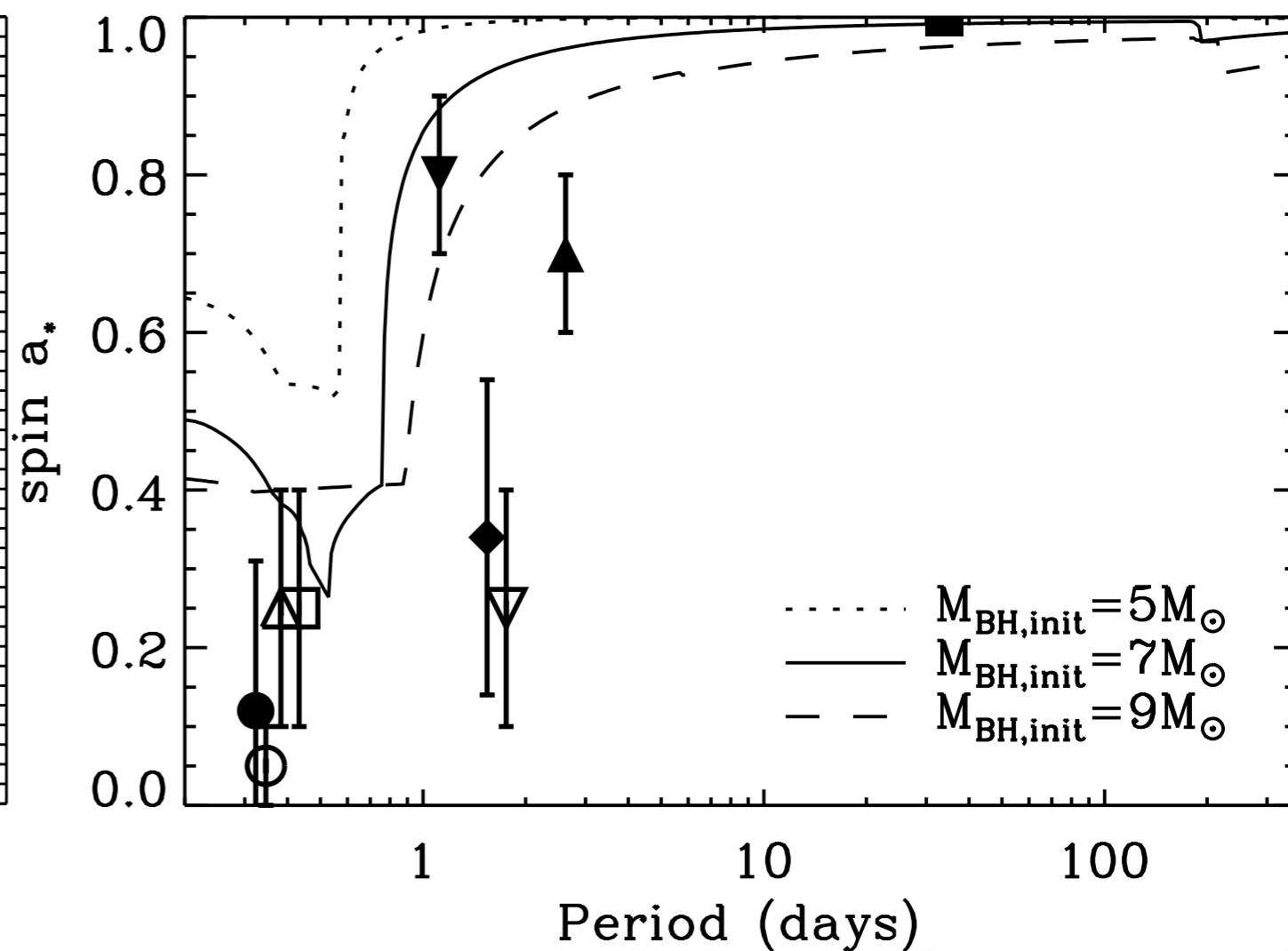
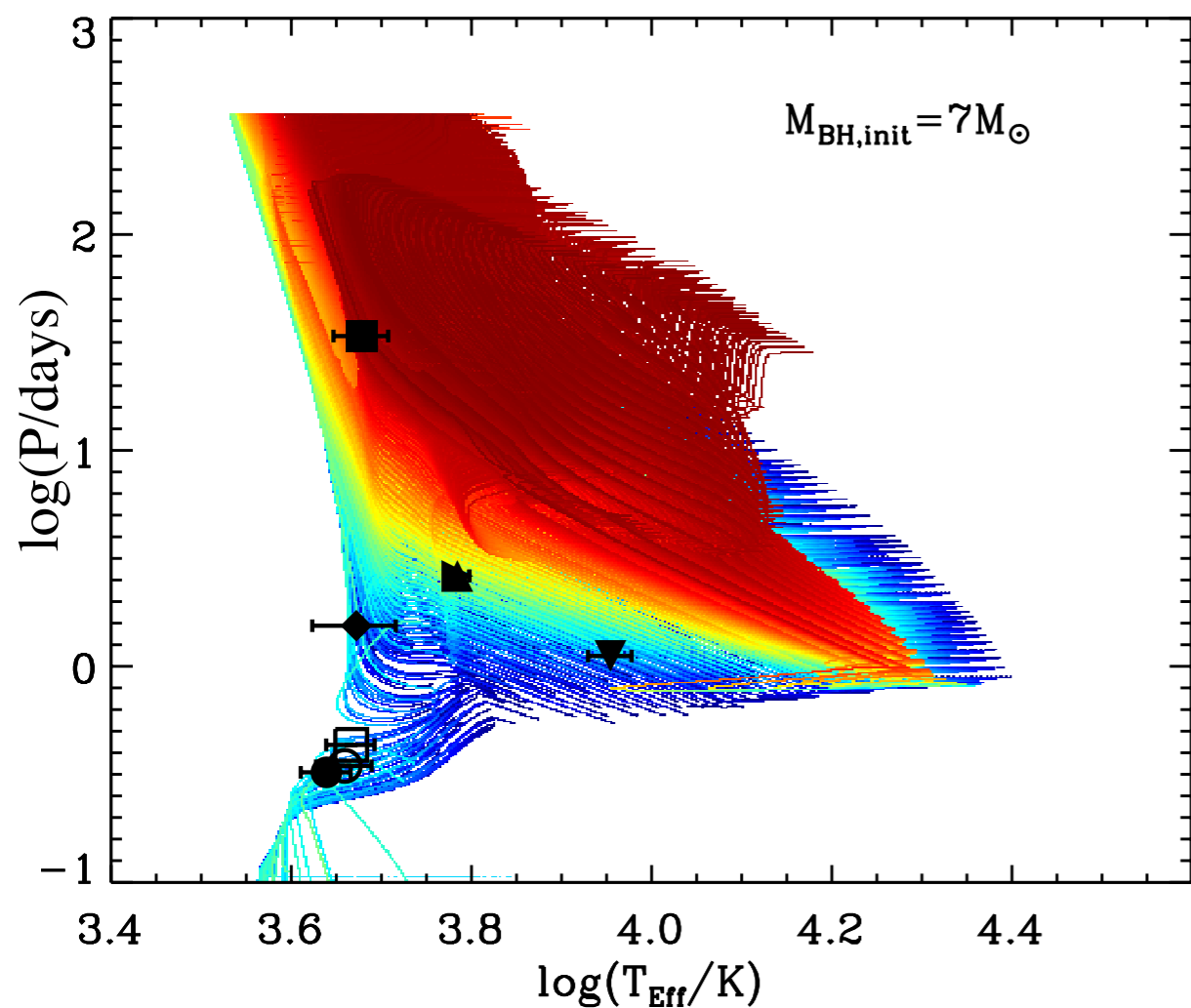




Maximum Black Hole Spin



Fragos & McClintock (2015) - ApJ, 800, 17



Grid of Mass-Transfer Calculations

> ~26,000 Detailed mass-transfer (MT) Calculations using MESA ([Paxton et al. 2011,2013,2015](#); vs. 5527)

— $M_2 \rightarrow 0.5-10 M_{\odot}$, $dM_2 \rightarrow 0.1-0.2 M_{\odot}$

— $P_{\text{Orb}} \rightarrow 0.2-100$ days, $P_{\text{Orb}} \rightarrow 0.05-5$ days

— $M_{\text{BH}} \rightarrow 3-10 M_{\odot}$, $dM_{\text{BH}} \rightarrow 1 M_{\odot}$

> MT sequence termination criteria:

— $P_{\text{Orb}} > 365$ days

— $M_2 < 0.03 M_{\odot}$

— Age < 13.7 Gyr

— Donor star is not degenerate.

> MT is fully conservative