

A binary star system is depicted against a black background. On the right, a large, bright yellow star is shown. A stream of gas flows from it towards the left, where it forms a blue, glowing accretion disk around a smaller, dimmer star. A blue jet of gas is seen extending upwards from the smaller star. The text is overlaid on the image.

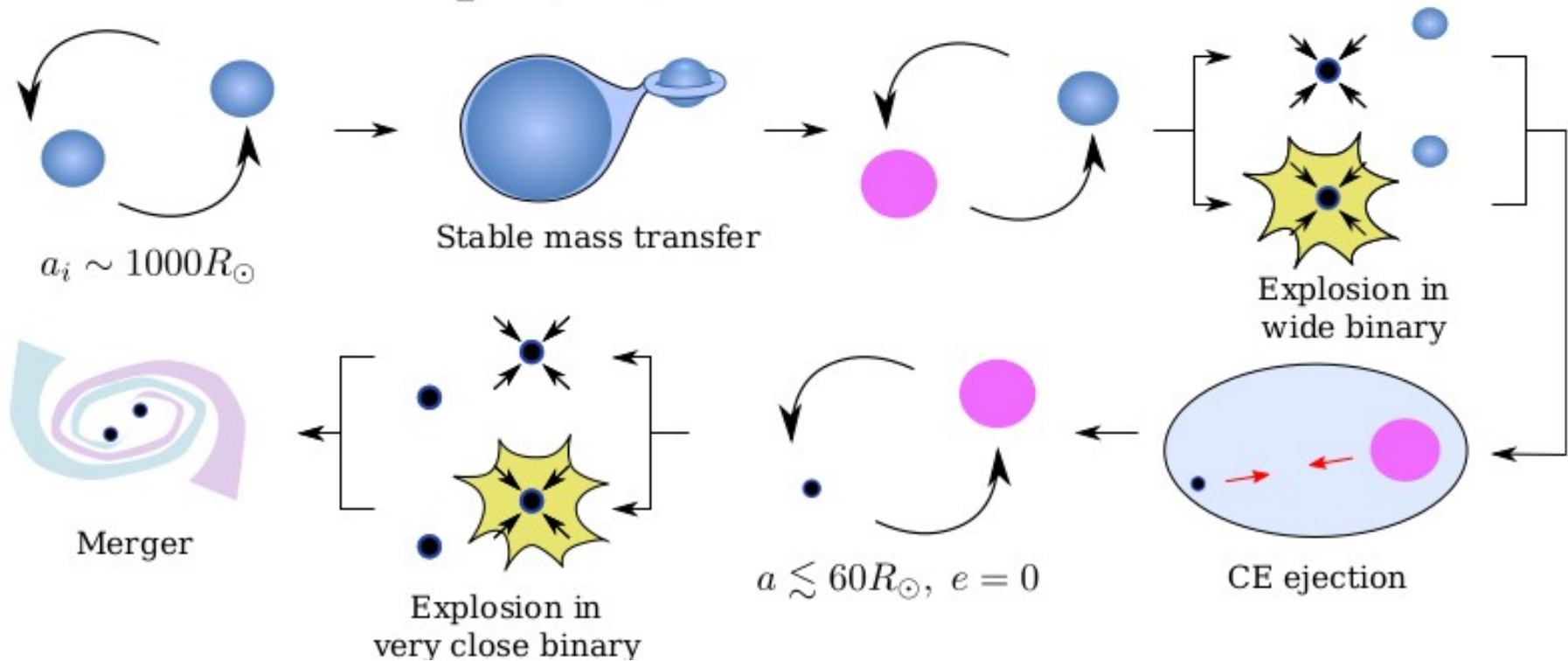
Open problems in binary stellar evolution

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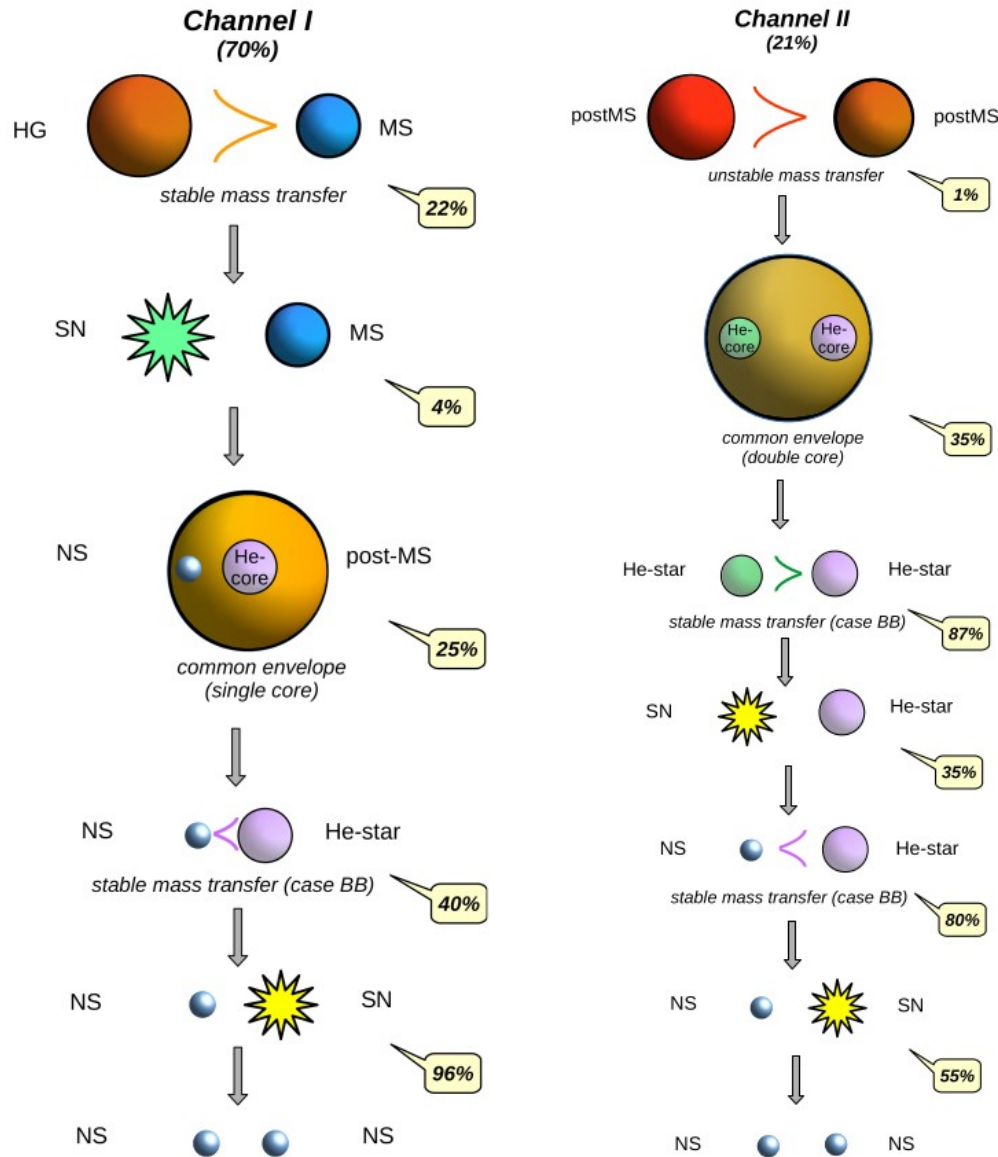
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# When is this important?

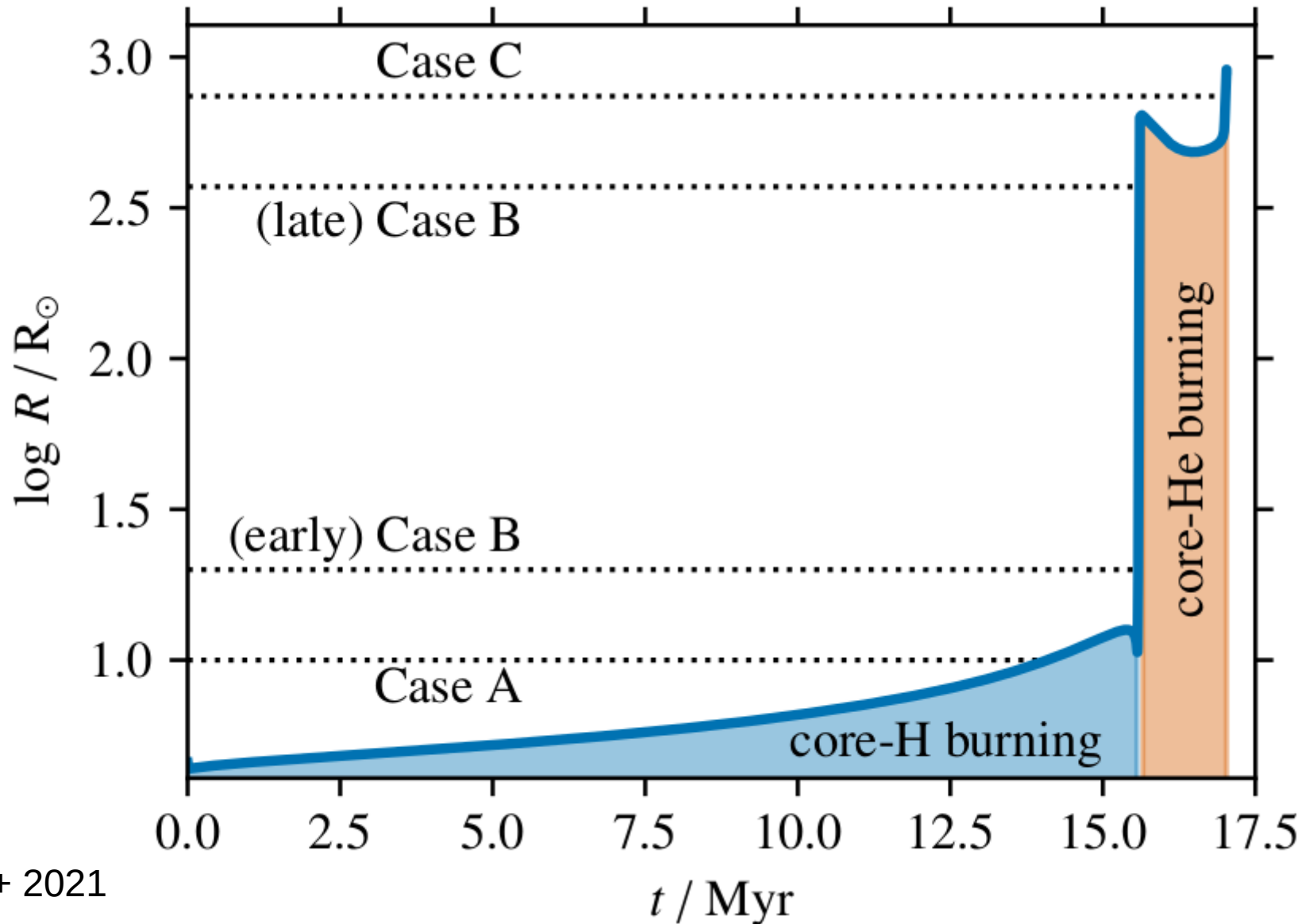
## Common envelope (CE)



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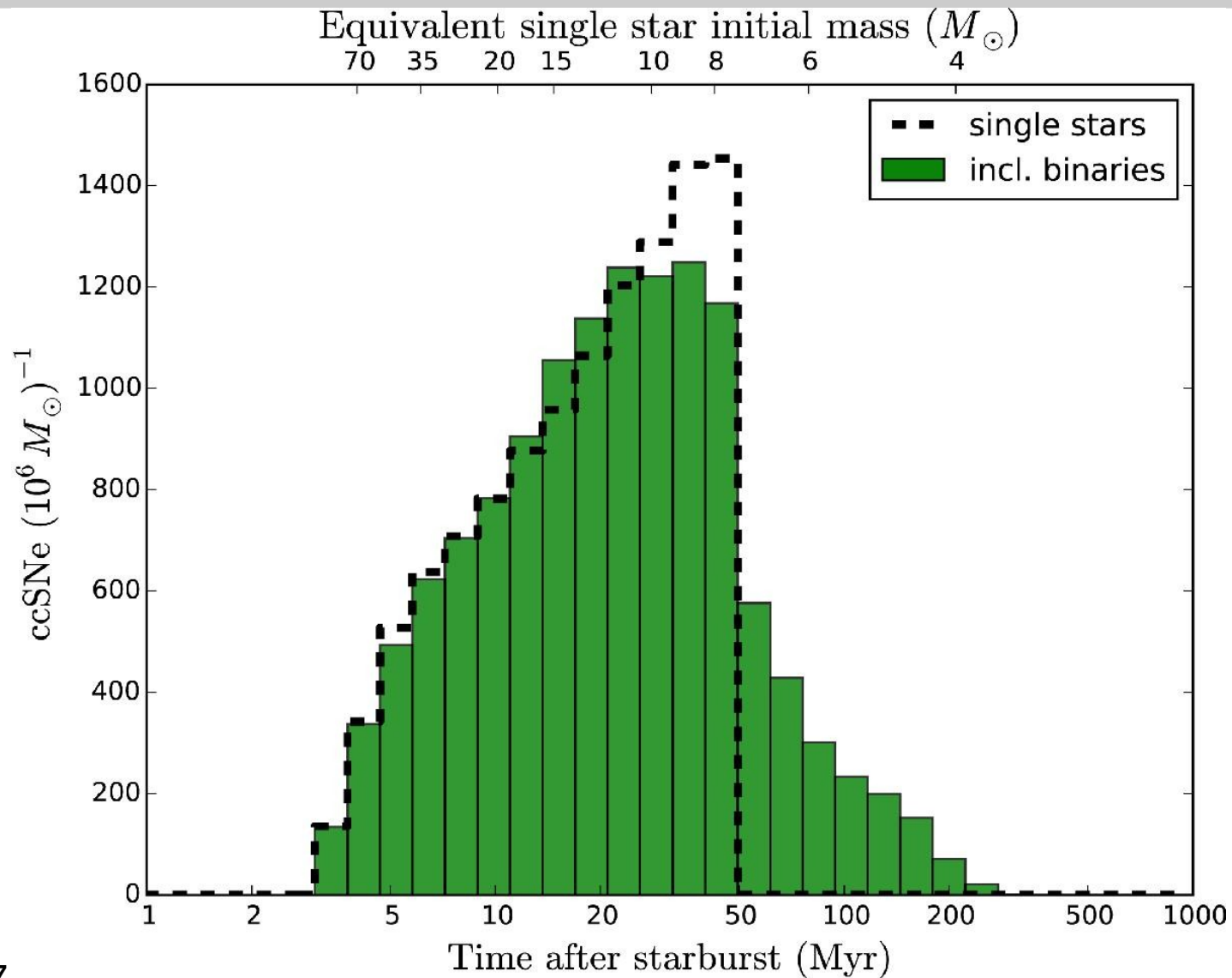


# Mass transfer

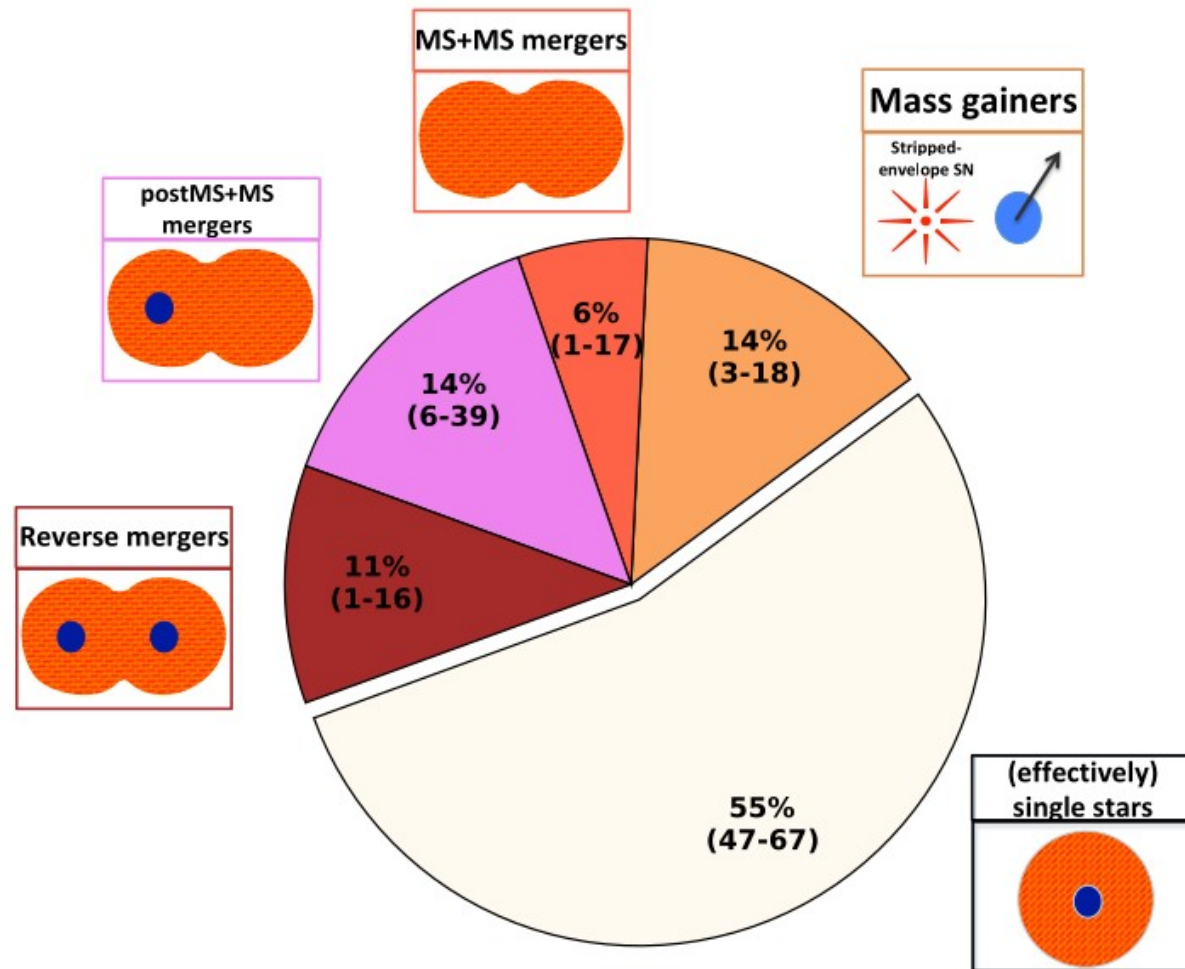


What happens to the accretor?

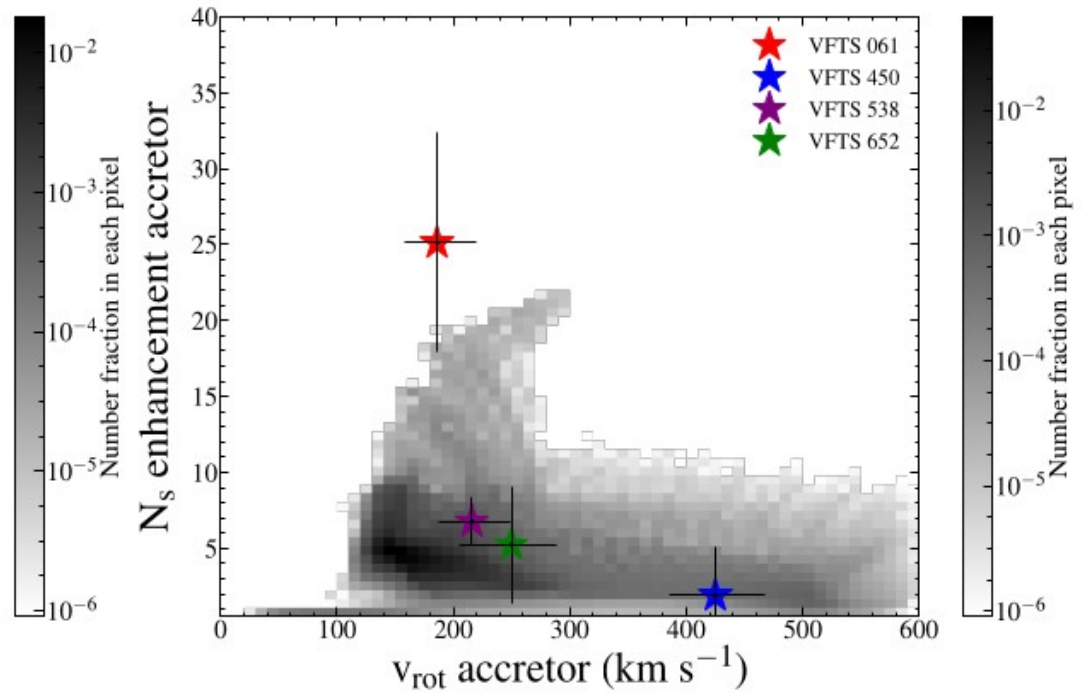
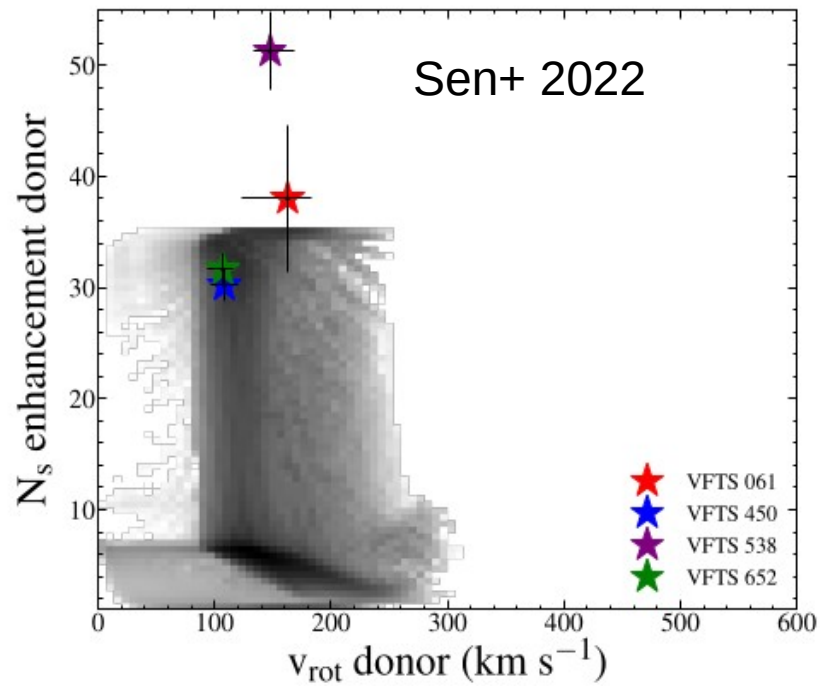
# Mass change



# Fraction of H-rich SNe

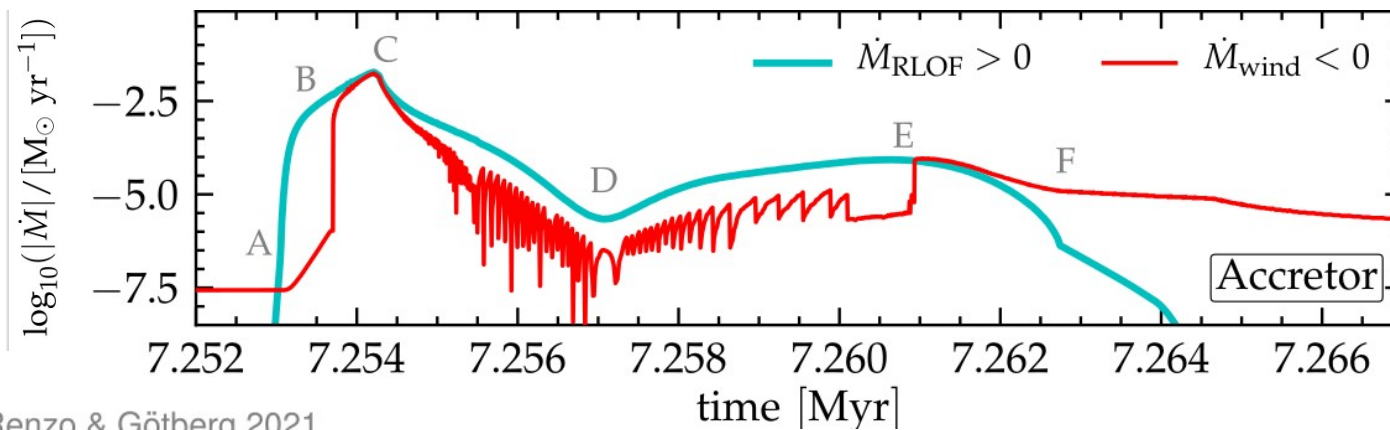
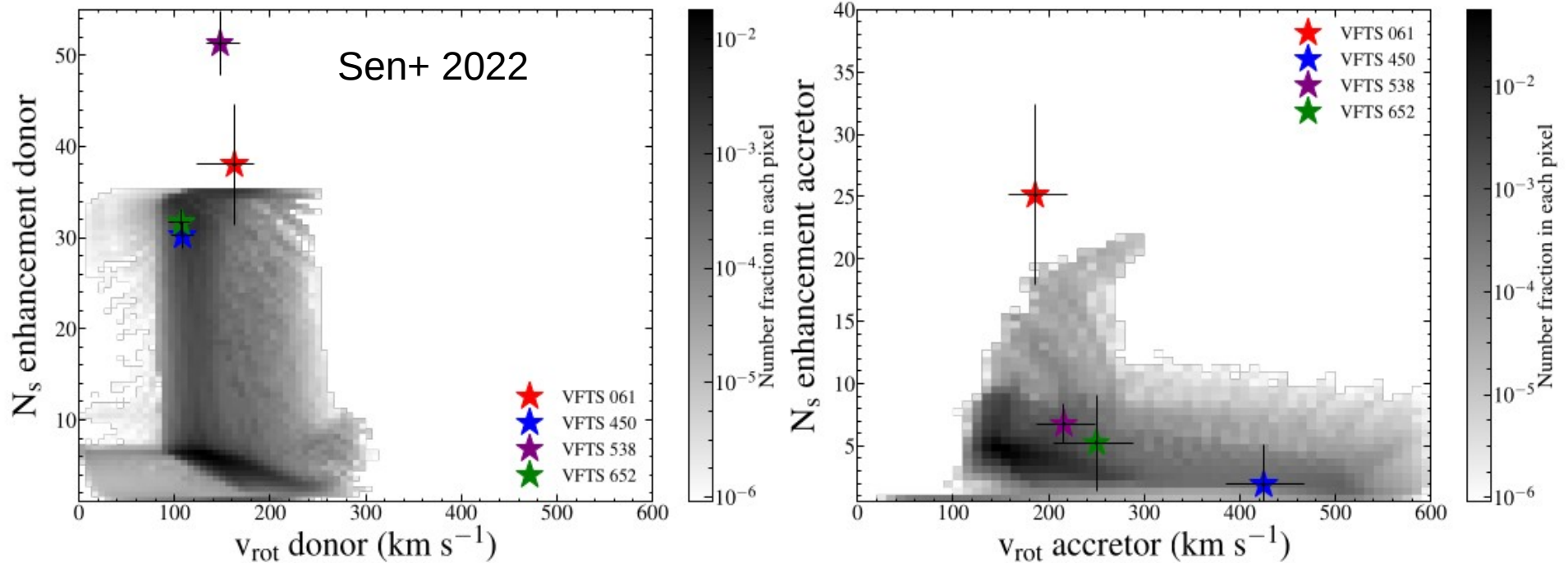


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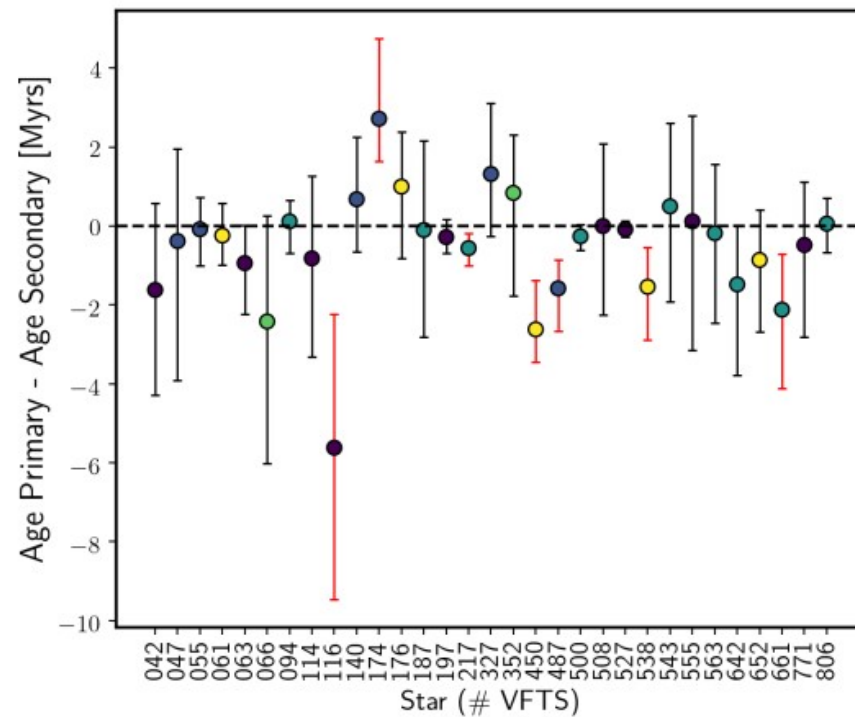




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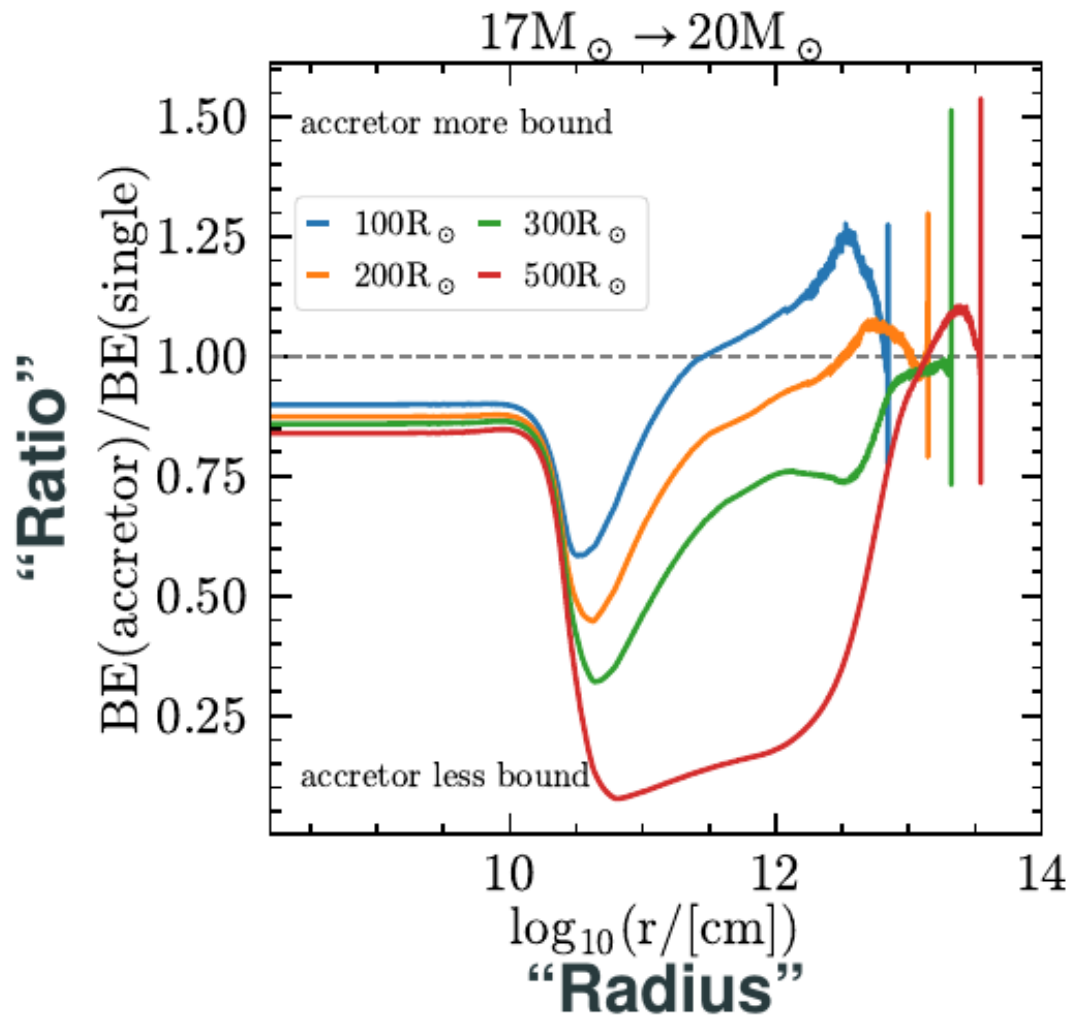


# Rejuvenation



**Fig. 9.** Difference between the ages of the primary and secondary stars as a function of the system identification. The ages are from BONNSAI. The colour-code is given for the different subsamples given in Sect. 4, from dark blue for subsample 1 to yellow for group 5. The red error bars indicate that the systems are not coeval.

## RLOF-accretors are better CE-donors: easier to unbind at given $R$



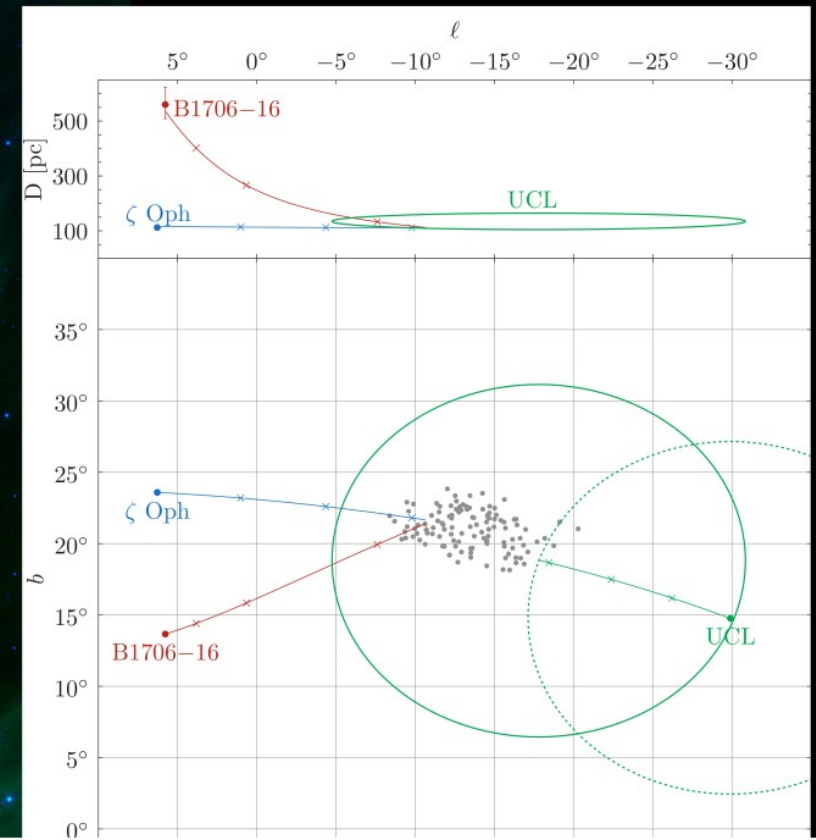
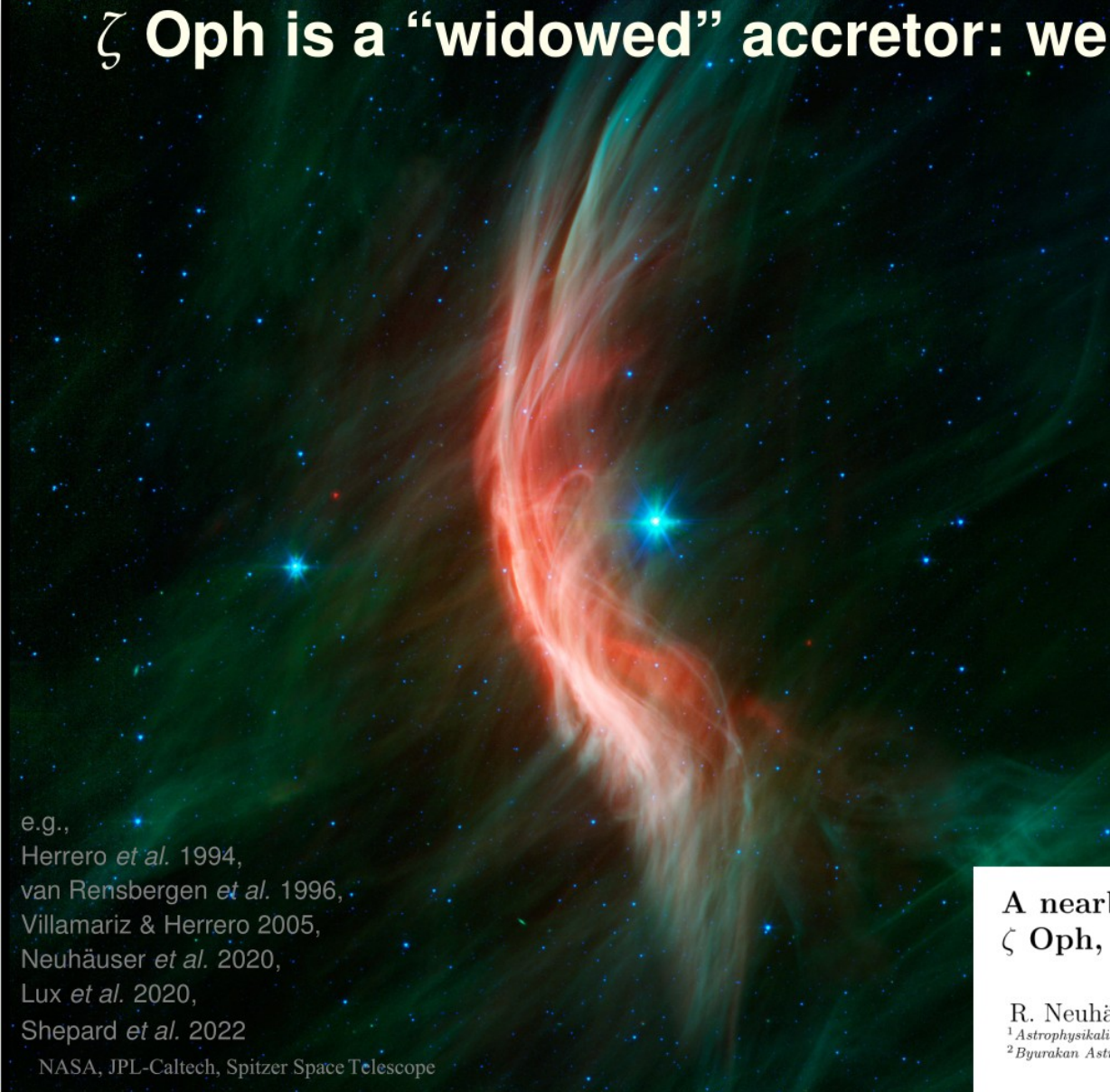
# Case study

# The runaway $\zeta$ Ophiuchi is the nearest O-type star to Earth



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# $\zeta$ Oph is a “widowed” accretor: we can trace it back to a NS



A nearby recent supernova that ejected the runaway star  $\zeta$  Oph, the pulsar PSR B1706-16, and  $^{60}\text{Fe}$  found on Earth

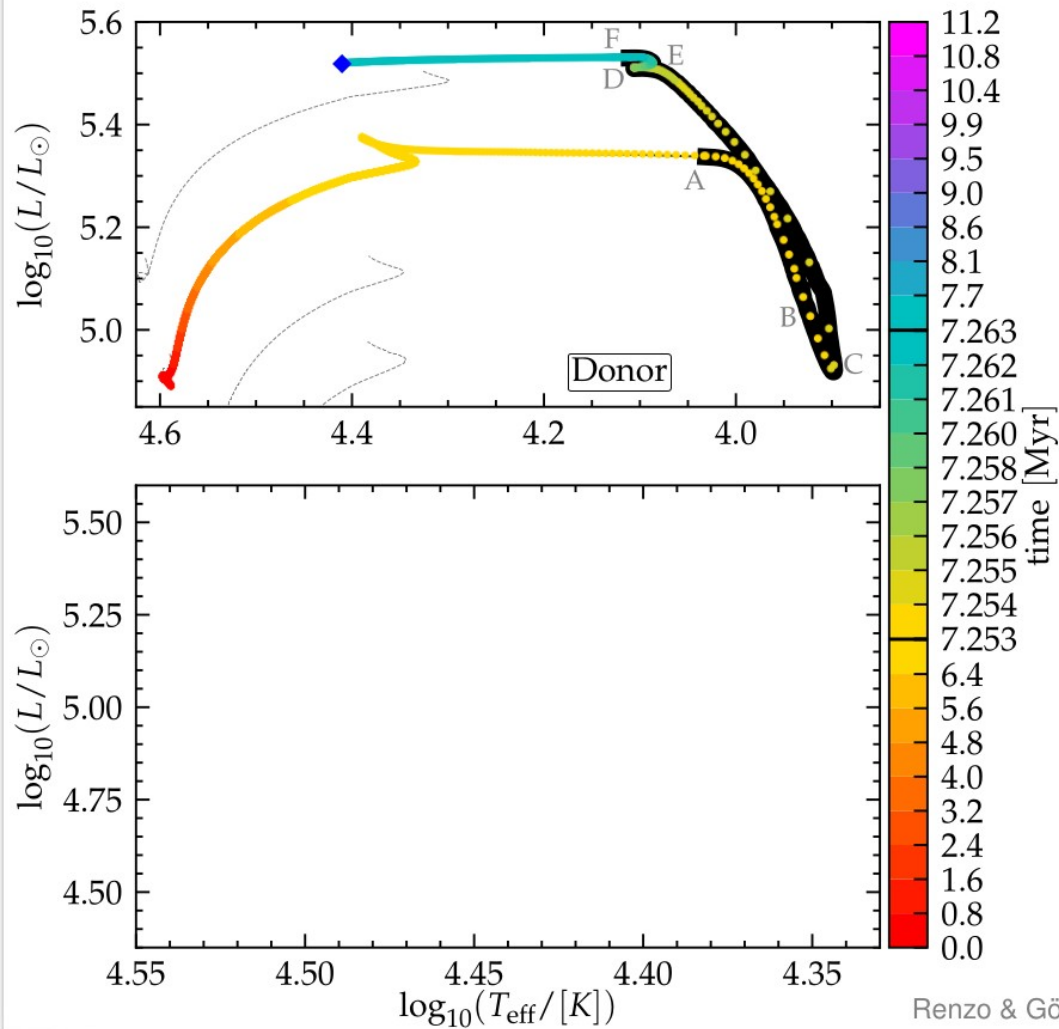
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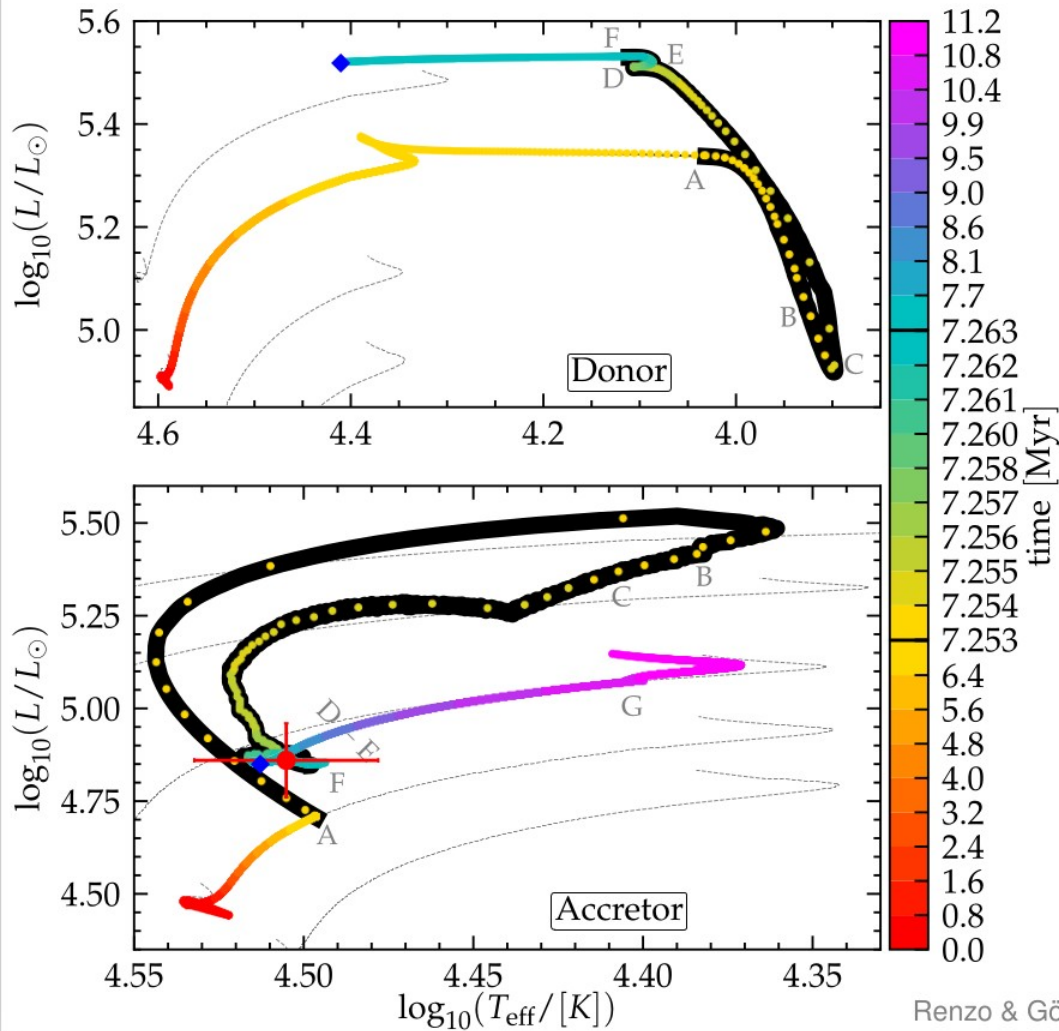
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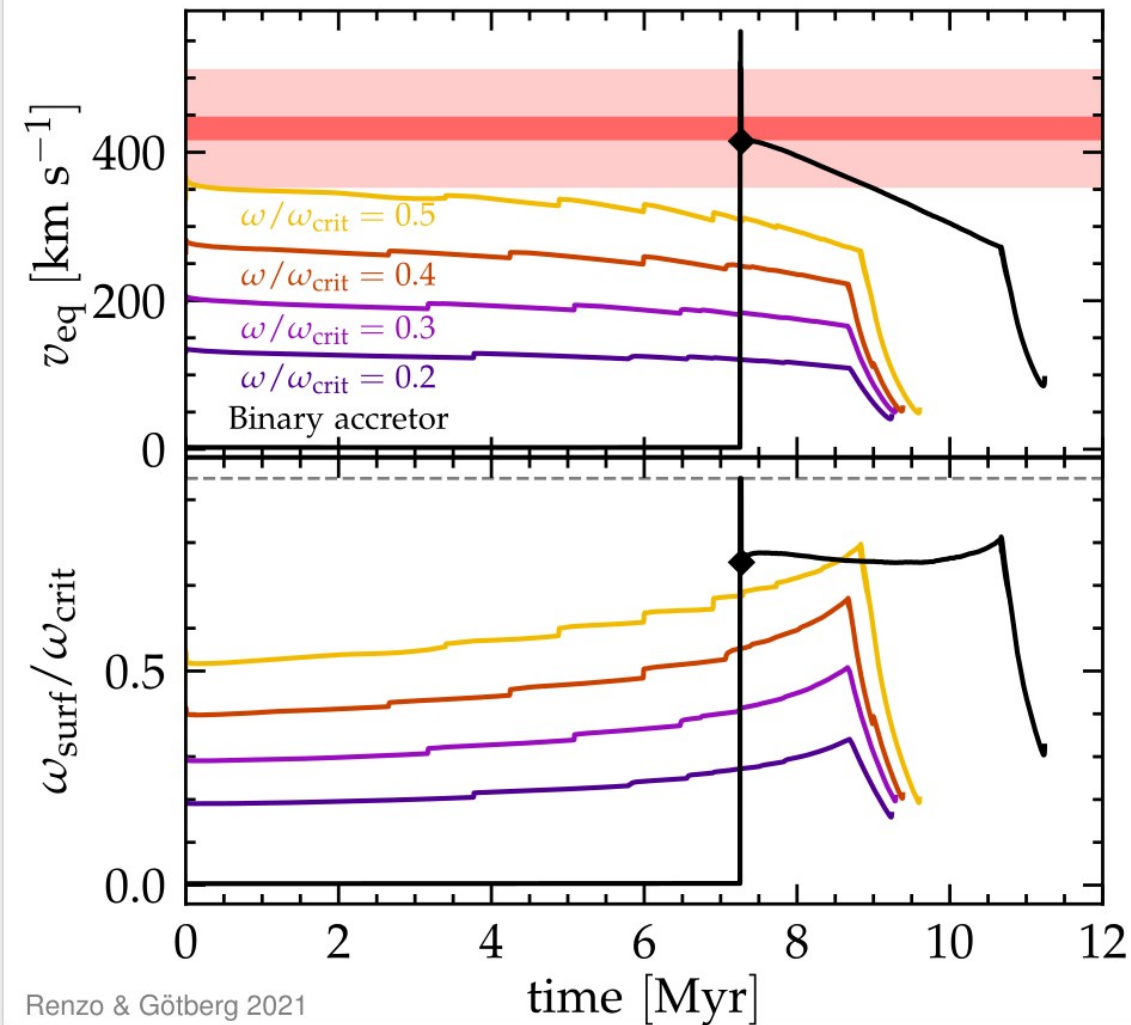
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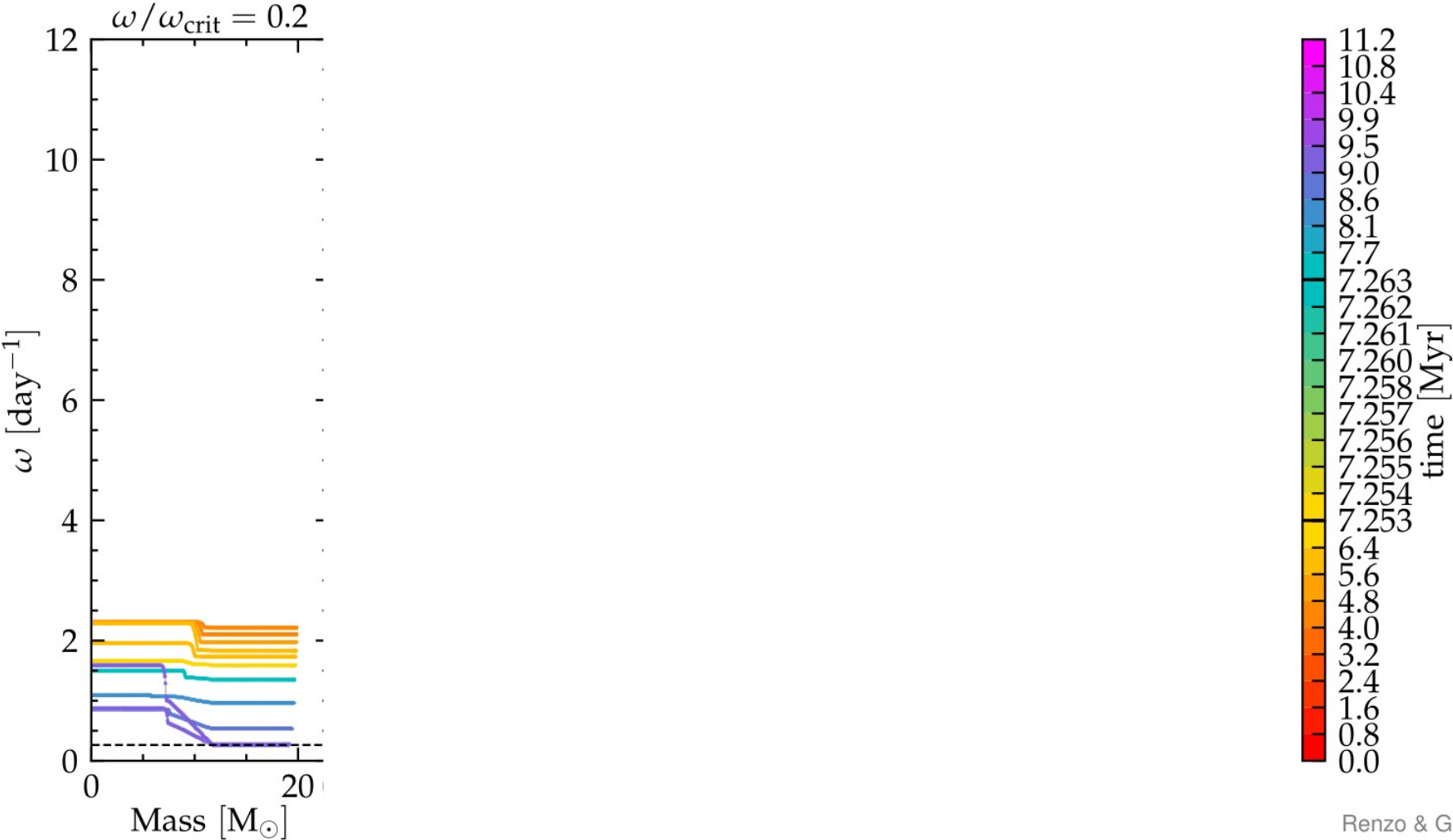


## Surface rotation rate: Be/Oe stars from binaries

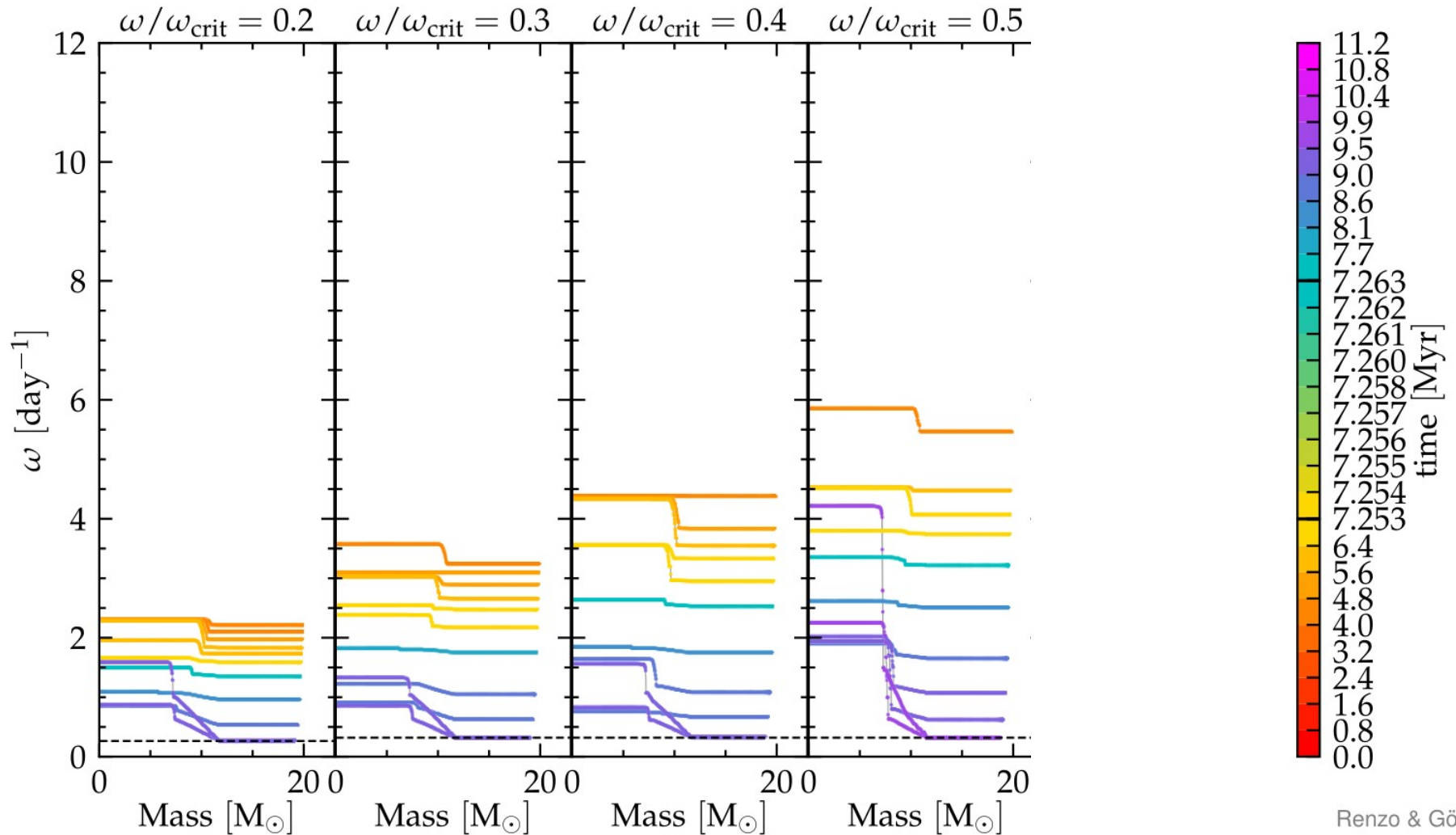


- but overestimating by  $\sim 100\times$  wind mass loss!

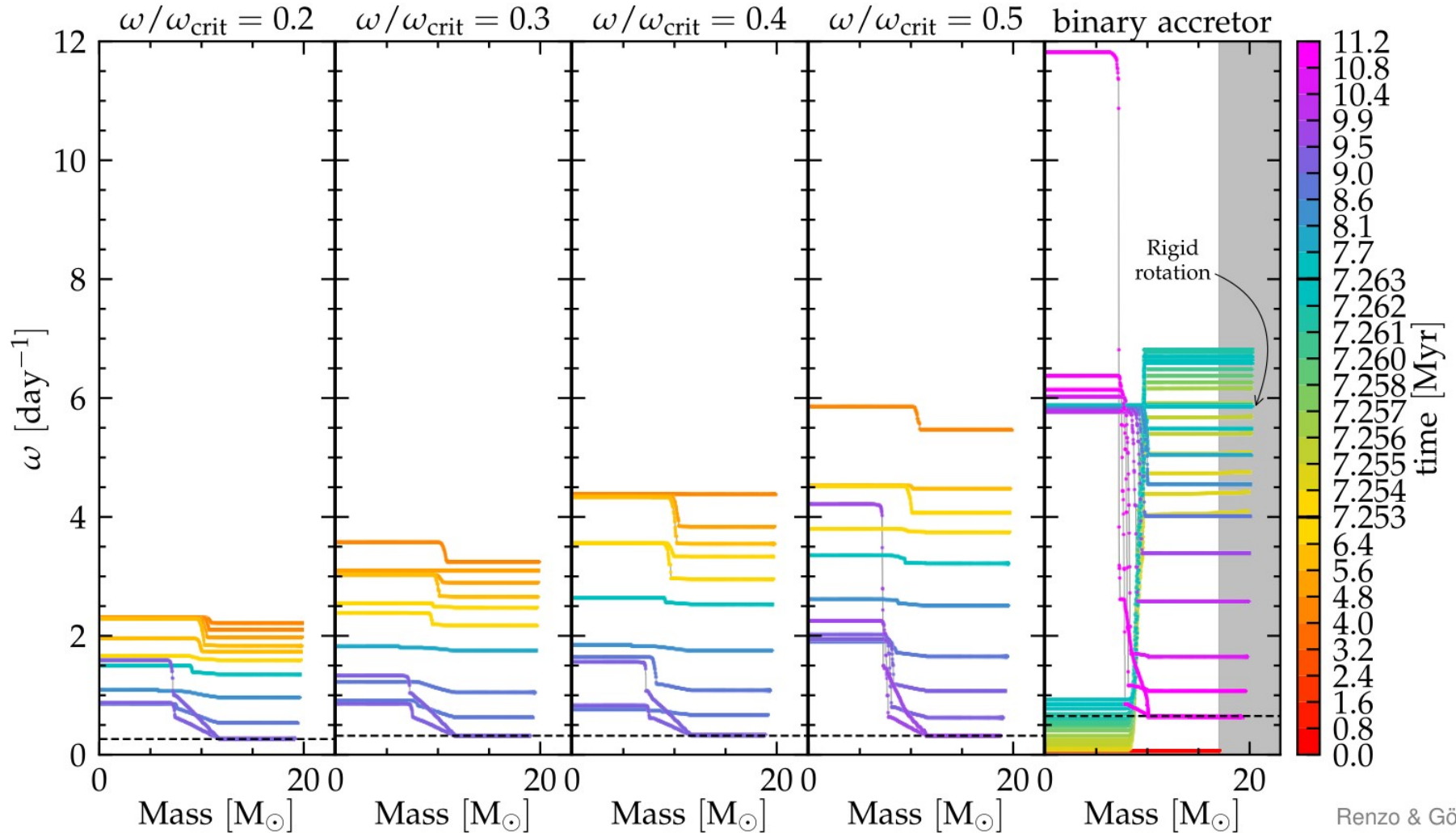
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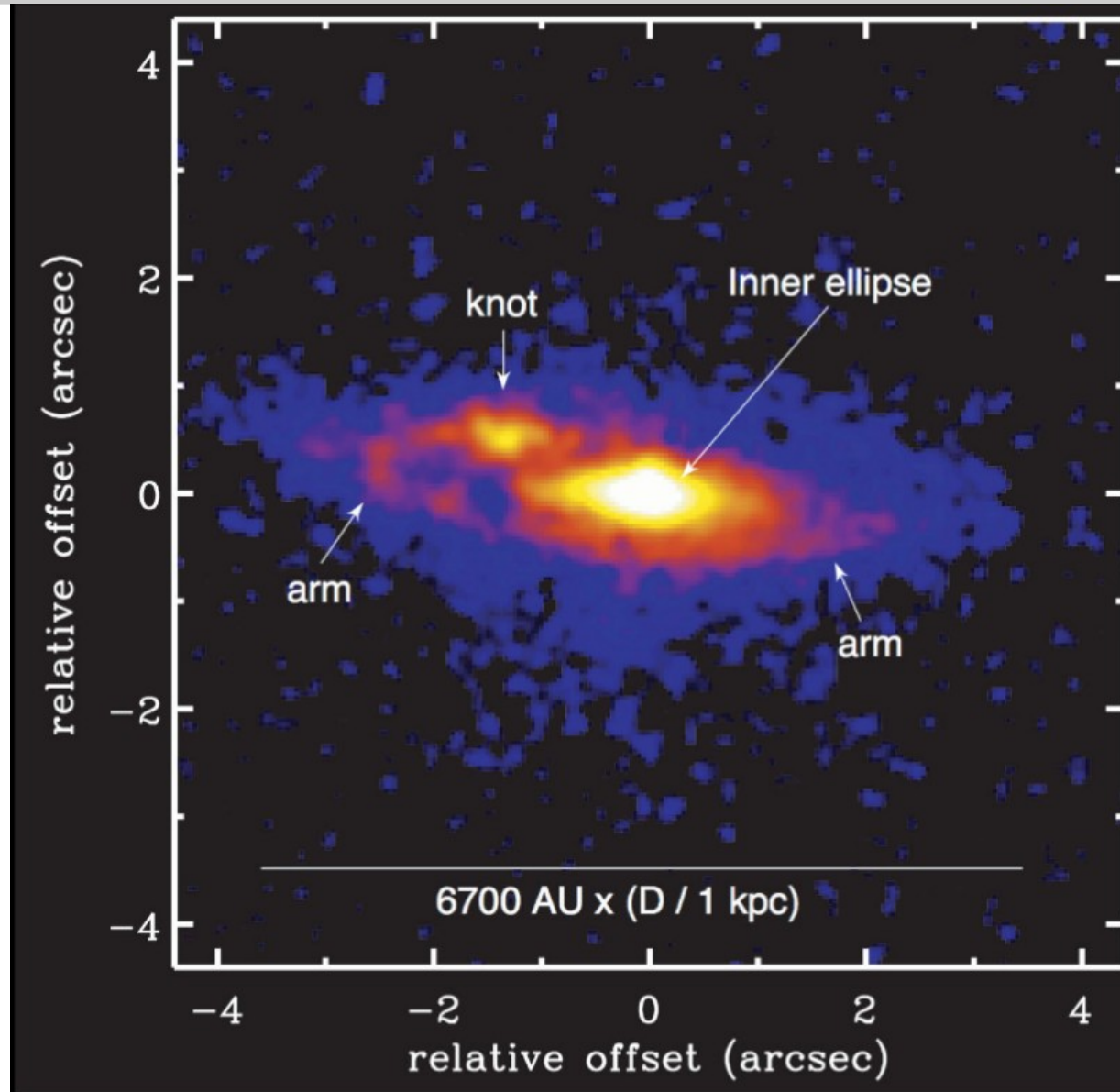


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What about disks?

# What are we modelling?



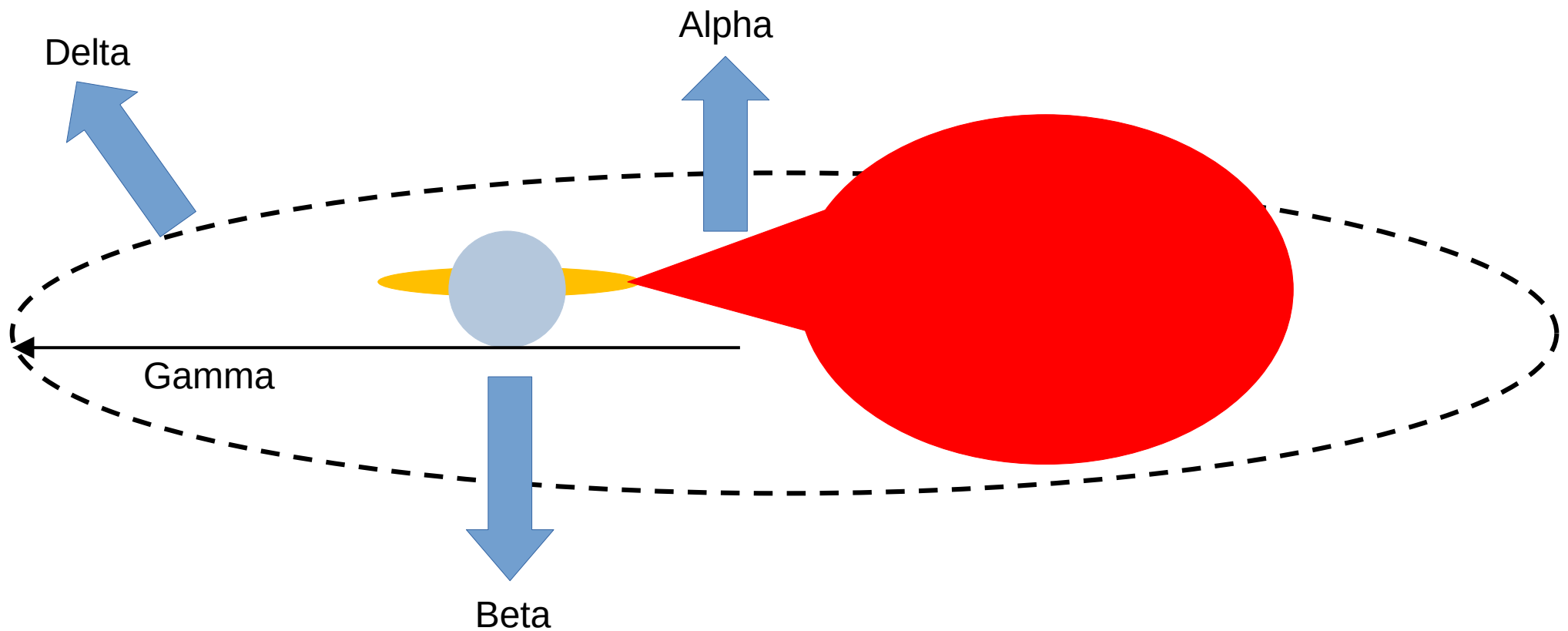
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where  $\alpha_{\text{mt}}$ ,  $\beta_{\text{mt}}$ , and  $\delta_{\text{mt}}$  are respectively the fractions of mass transferred that is lost from the vicinity of the donor, accretor and circumbinary toroid, and  $\gamma_{\text{mt}}^2 a$  is the radius of the toroid. Ignoring winds, the efficiency of mass transfer is then given by  $f_{\text{mt}} = 1 - \alpha_{\text{mt}} - \beta_{\text{mt}} - \delta_{\text{mt}}$ . When accretion is limited to  $\dot{M}_{\text{Edd}}$ , efficiency of accretion is given by

$$f_{\text{mt}} = \min\left(1 - \alpha_{\text{mt}} - \beta_{\text{mt}} - \delta_{\text{mt}}, \left|\dot{M}_{\text{Edd}}/\dot{M}_{\text{RLOF}}\right|\right), \quad (6)$$

and the additional mass being lost is added to the  $\beta_{\text{mt}}\dot{M}_{\text{RLOF}}$  term in Equation (5), i.e., it is assumed to leave the system carrying the specific orbital angular momentum of the accretor.

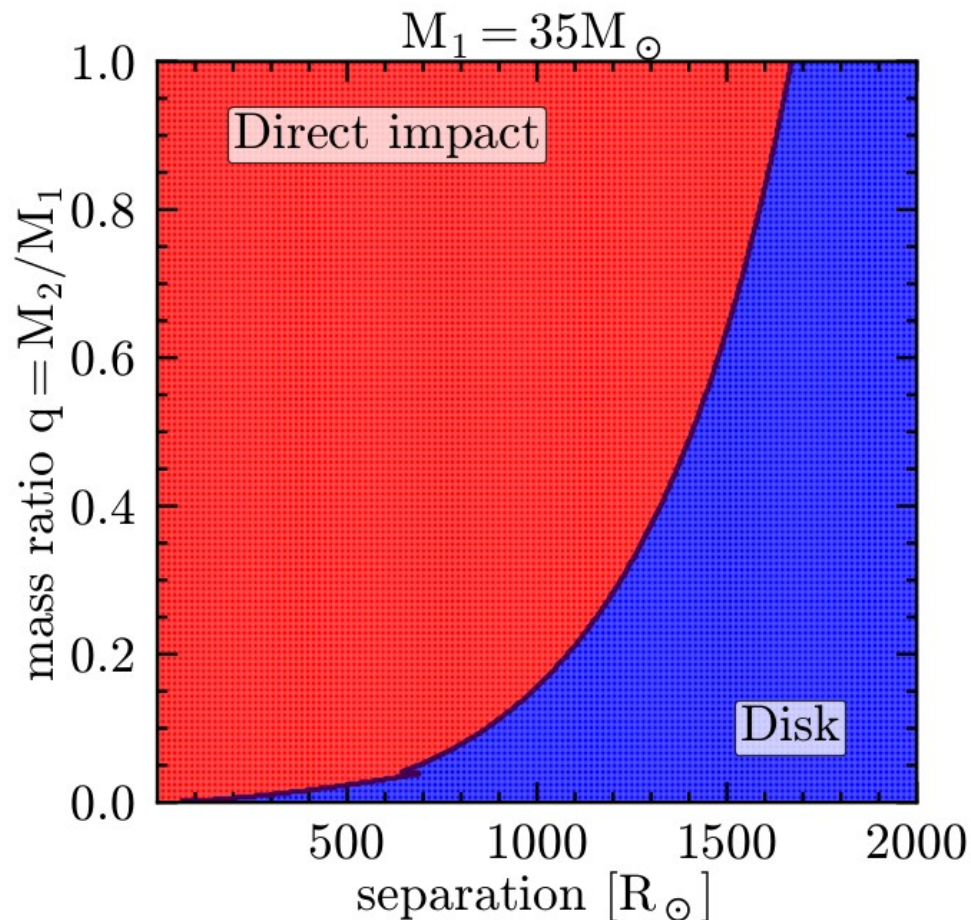
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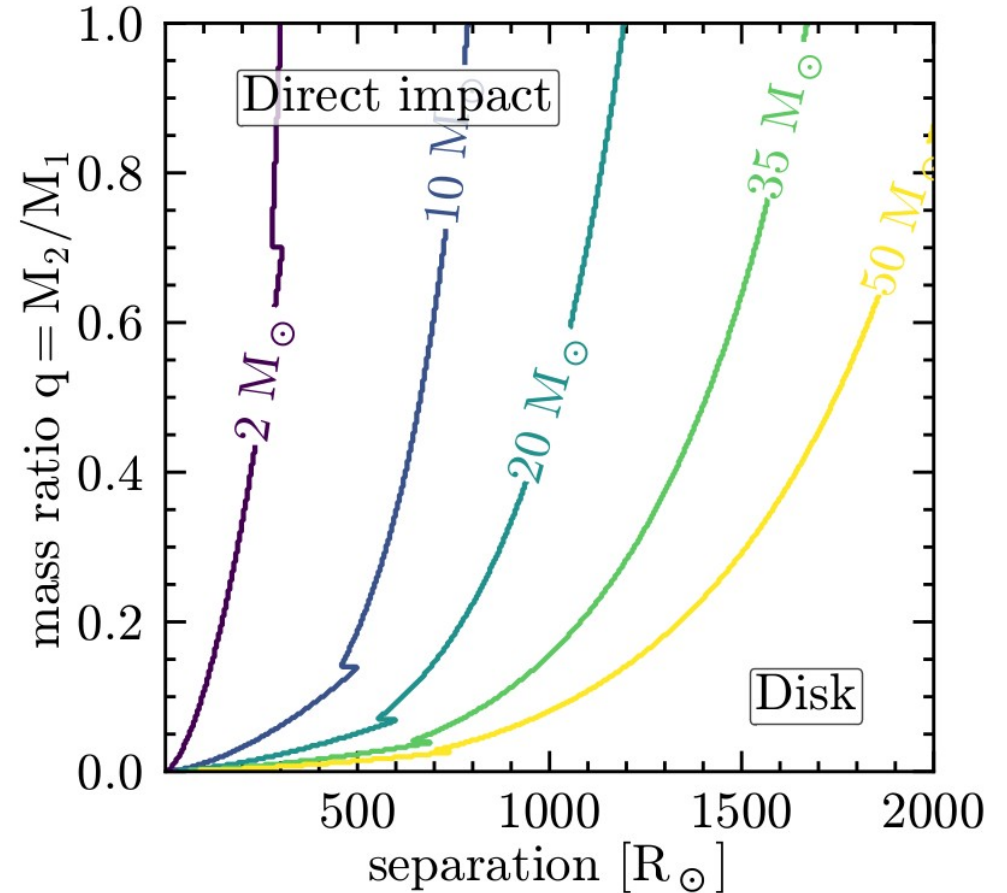
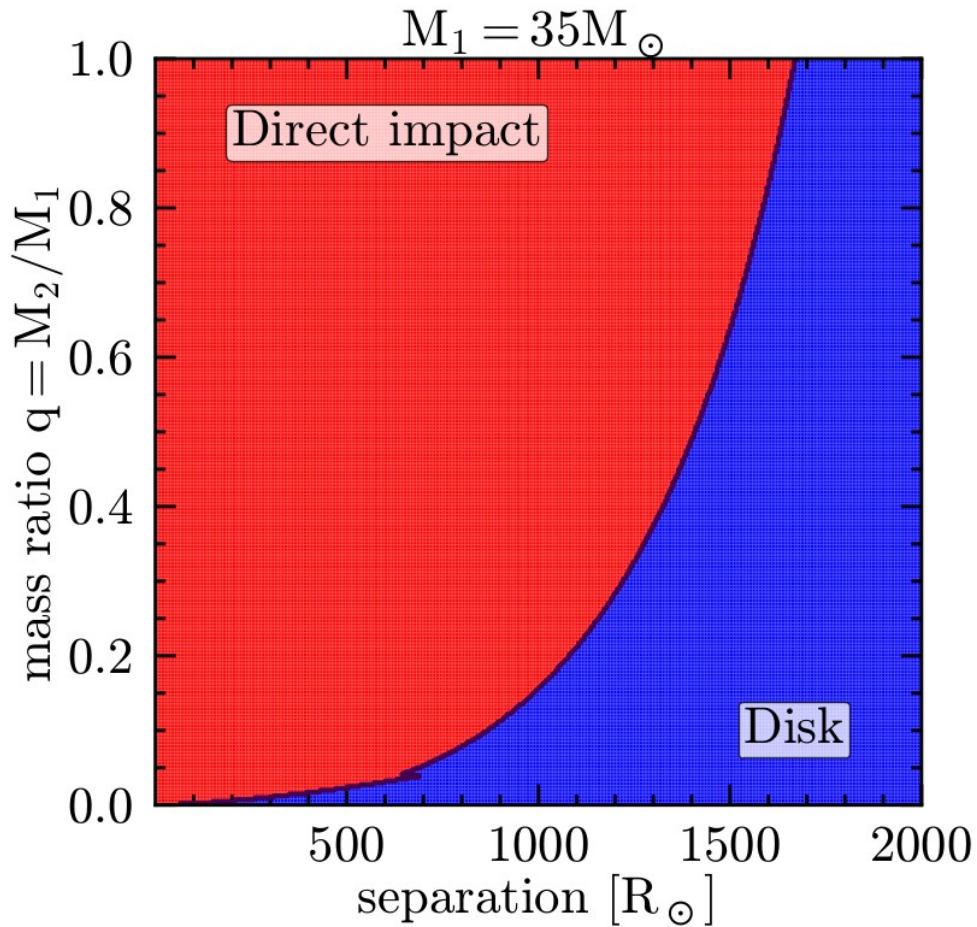


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- Neglect evolution of  $R_2 \equiv R_2(t)$
  - Likely different accretion and spin-up
  - Differences compare favorably to LMC eclipsing binaries
- Sen *et al.* 2022

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# Backup slides

