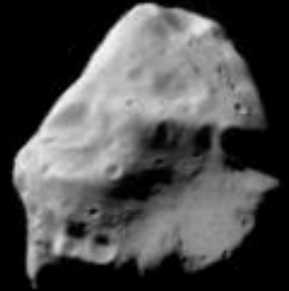


# Asteroids in the thermal infrared

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# 162 173 Ryugu in the sky



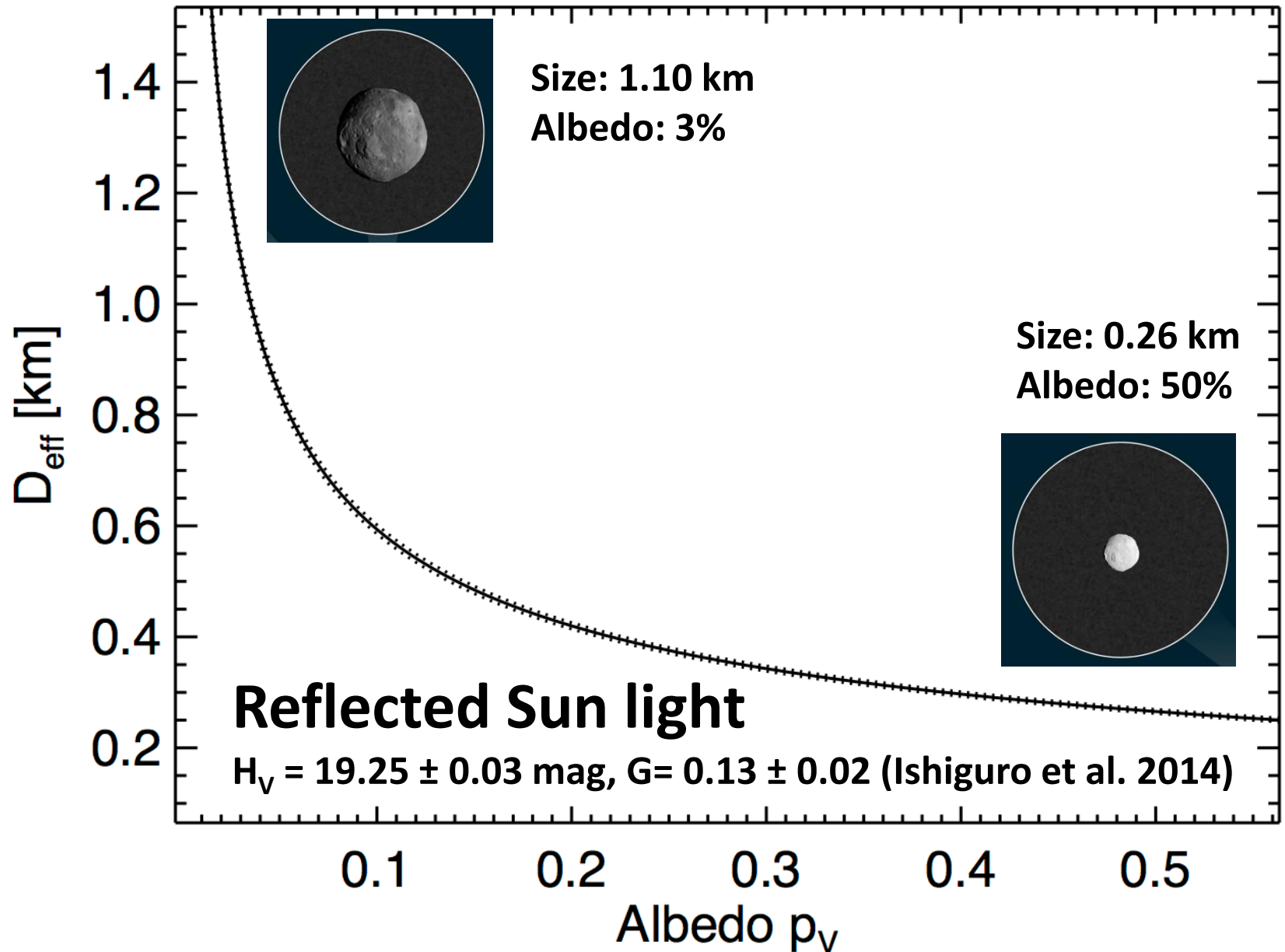
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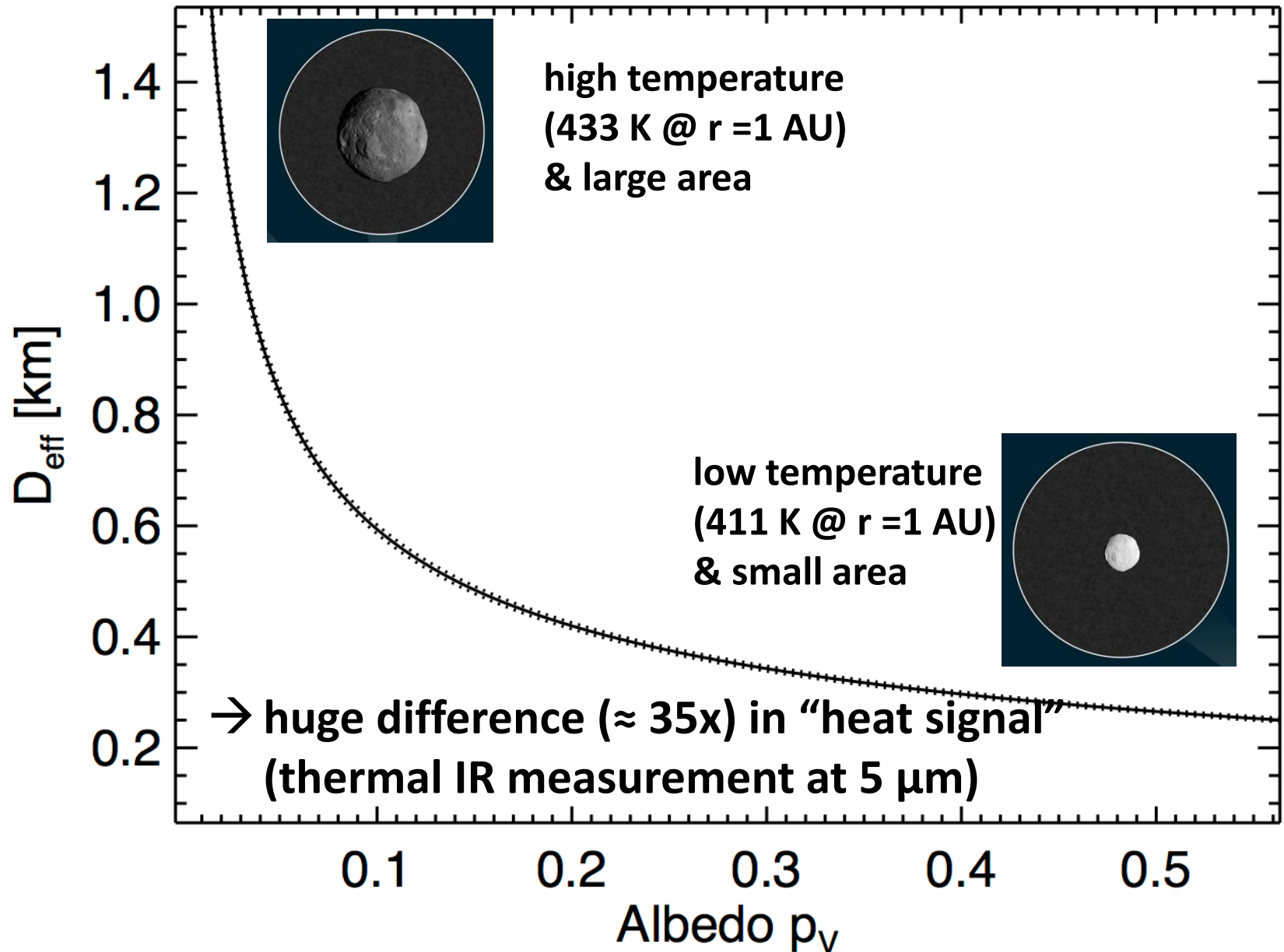
How large is  
162 173 Ryugu?



# Radiometric Method Ryugu

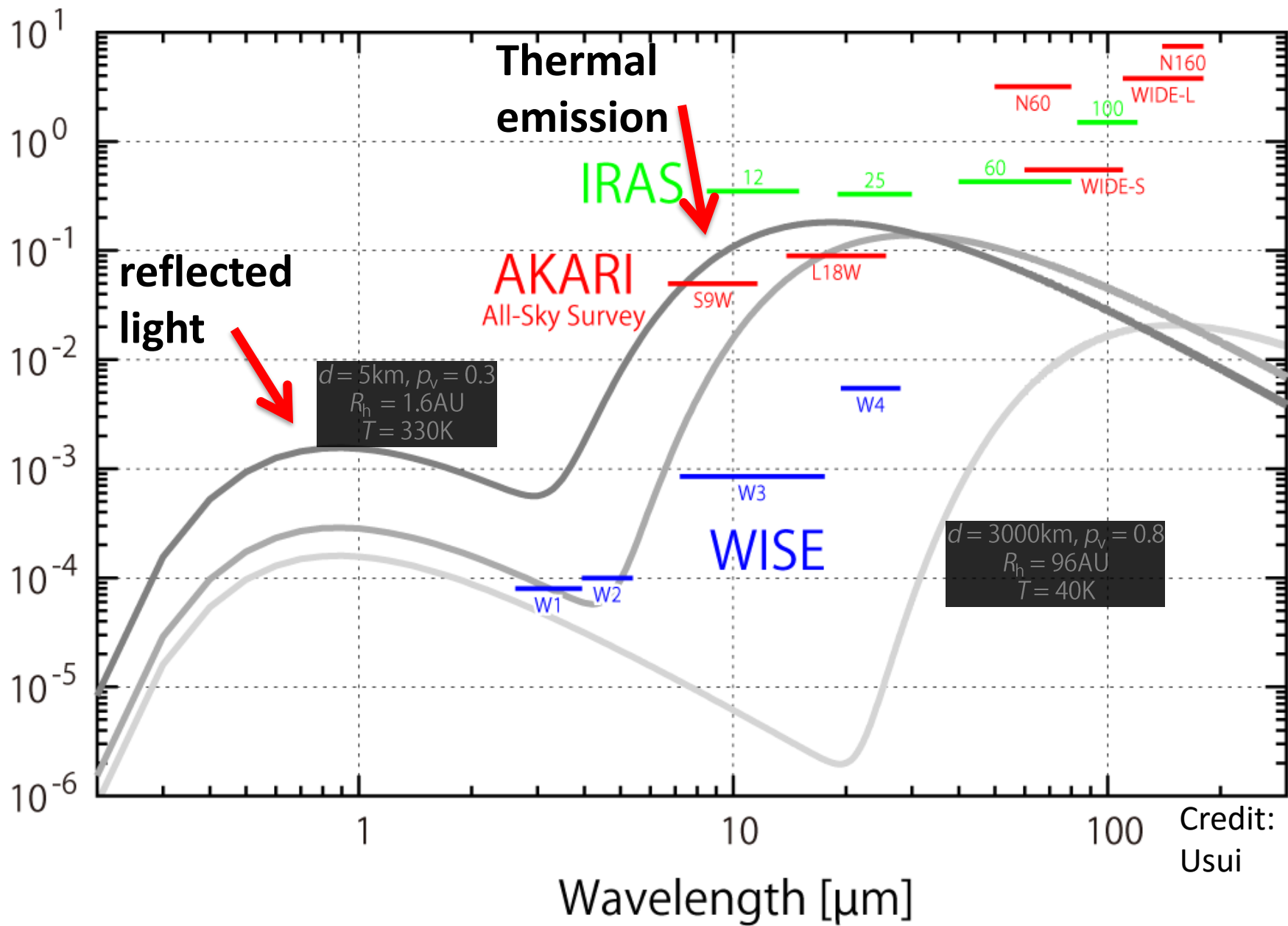


# Radiometric Method Ryugu





Flux density [ $\text{Jy} = \times 10^{-26} \text{ W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{Hz}^{-1}$ ]



Neugebauer+1984; Ishihara+2010, Yamamura+2010; Wright+2010, Mainzer+2011

# Ryugu Observations

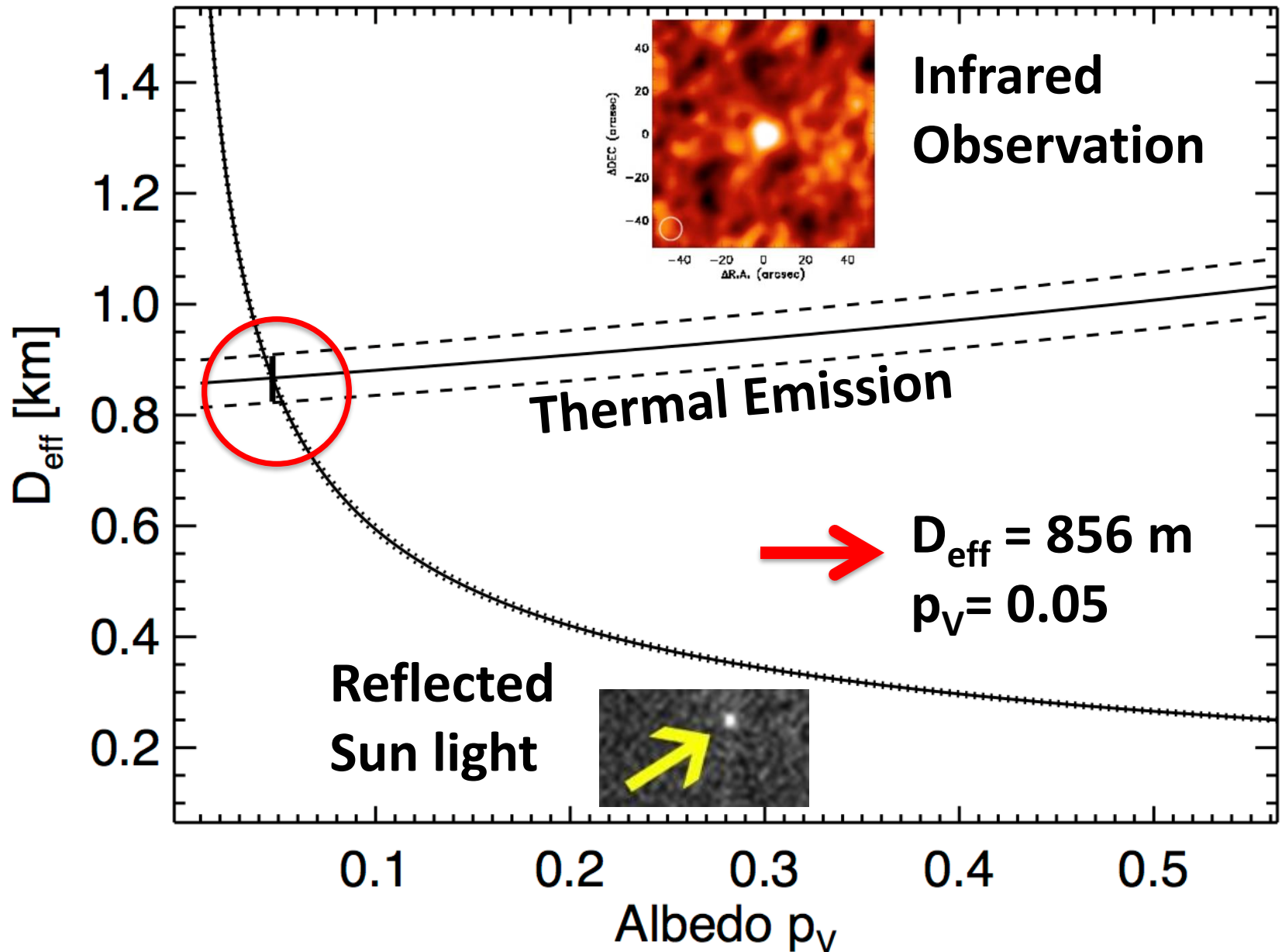
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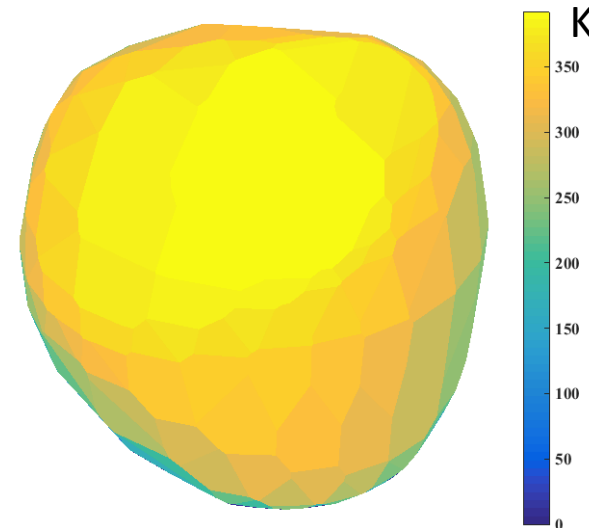
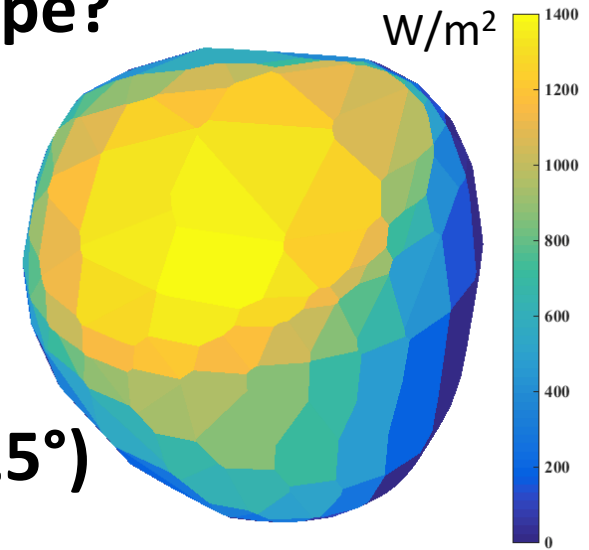


# Radiometric Method Ryugu



# Radiometric results: Ryugu

- size: 850-880 m, close to spherical shape?
- albedo  $p_V$ : 0.044-0.050
- thermal inertia: 150-300  $\text{Jm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-0.5}\text{K}^{-1}$
- surface roughness: very low, rms of surface slopes below 0.1
- spin axis  $(\lambda, \beta)_{\text{ecl}} = (310^\circ \dots 340^\circ, -40^\circ \pm 15^\circ)$
- $P_{\text{sid}} = 7.6326$  h, principle-axis rotation
- grain sizes: 1-10 mm (based on heat conductivity of 0.1-0.6  $\text{WK}^{-1}$ )

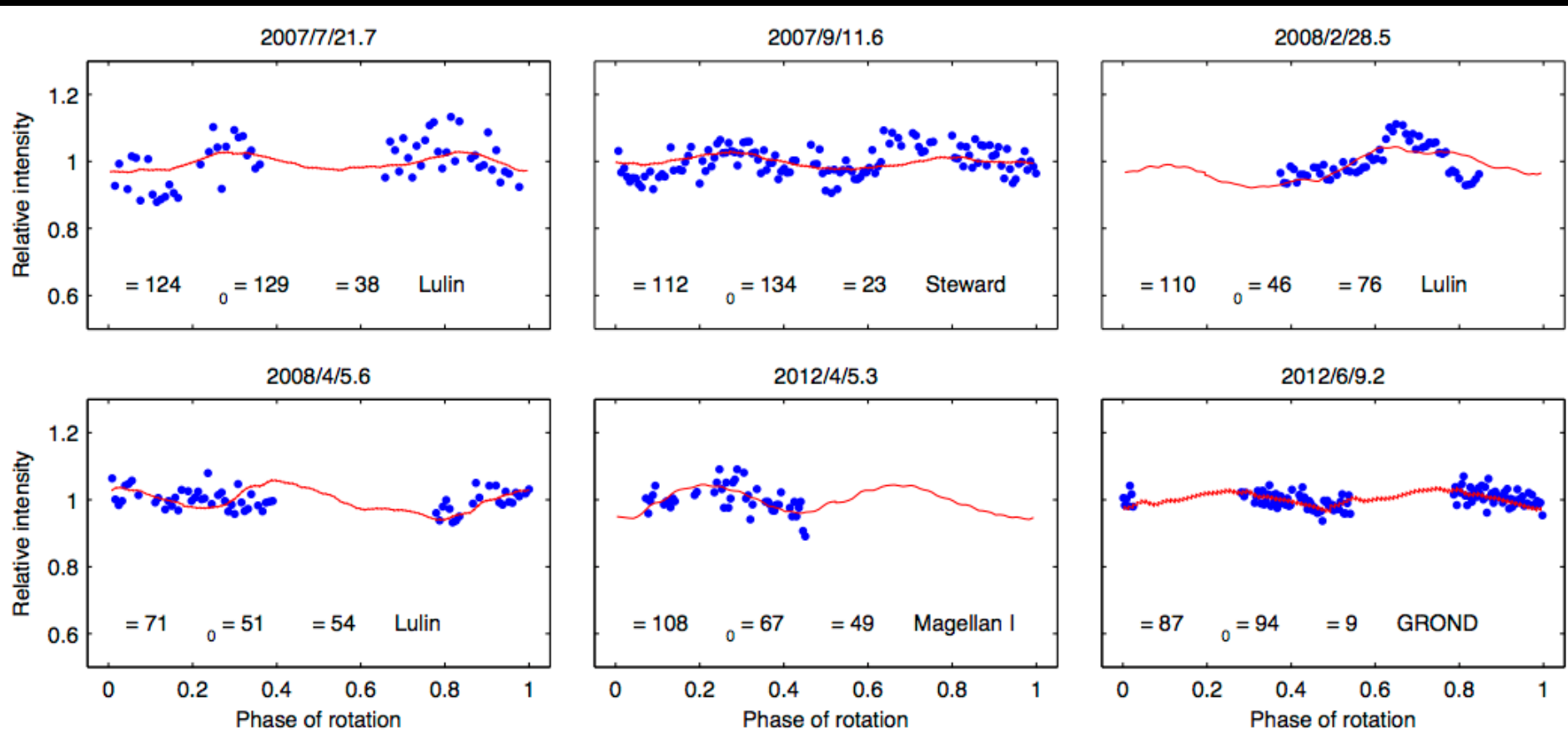


**Hayabusa-2 Mission Target Asteroid 162173 Ryugu (1999 JU<sub>3</sub>):  
Searching for the Object's Spin-Axis Orientation★**

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A&A accepted

# current visual light curves put only weak constraints on shape & spin properties of Ryugu



Comparison between the model (red curves) and the data (points) for a subset of visual lightcurves.

**Ryugu**

$\triangle$  rebinned and raw (dots) Spitzer IRS data

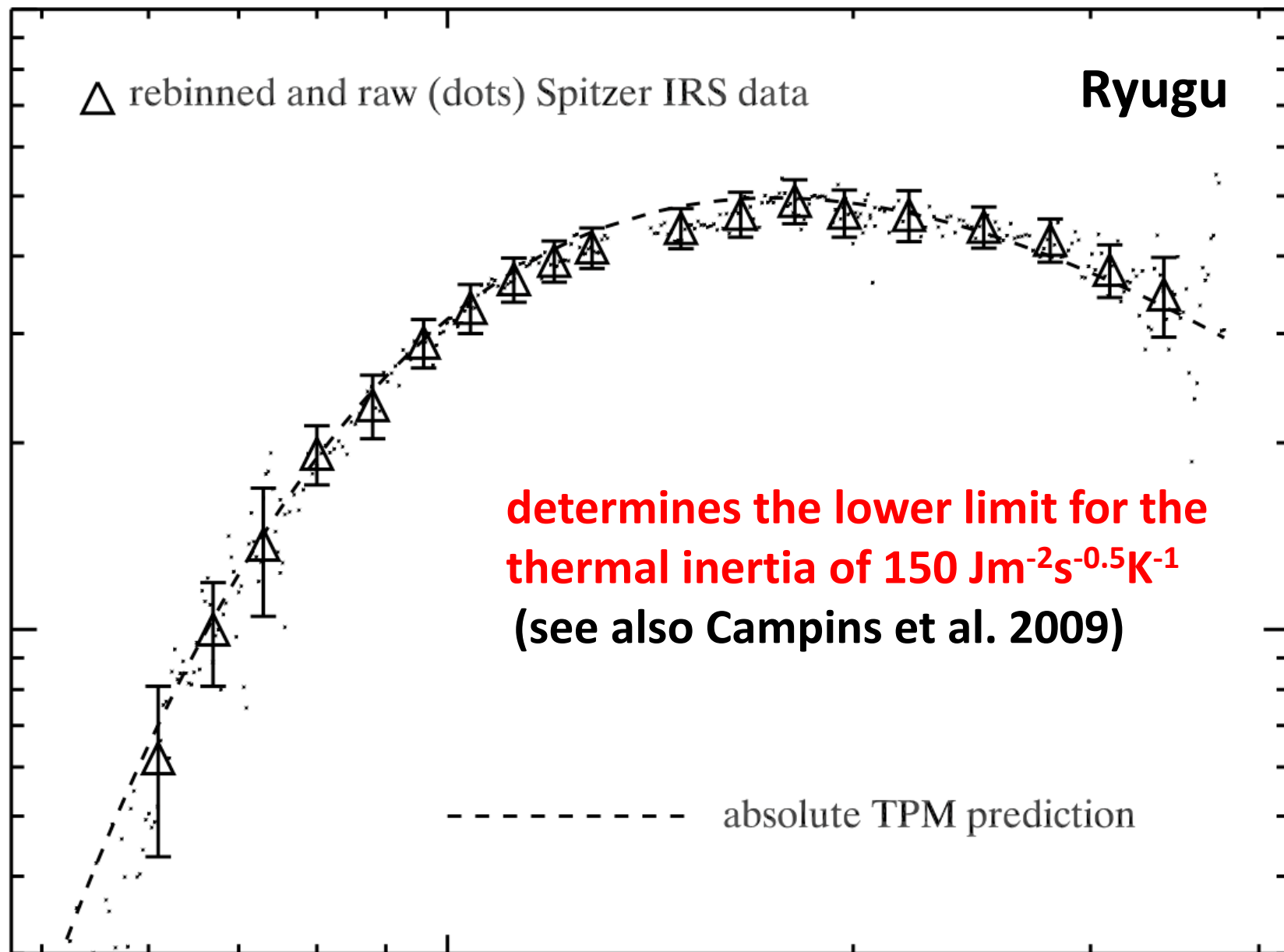
**determines the lower limit for the  
thermal inertia of  $150 \text{ Jm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-0.5}\text{K}^{-1}$   
(see also Campins et al. 2009)**

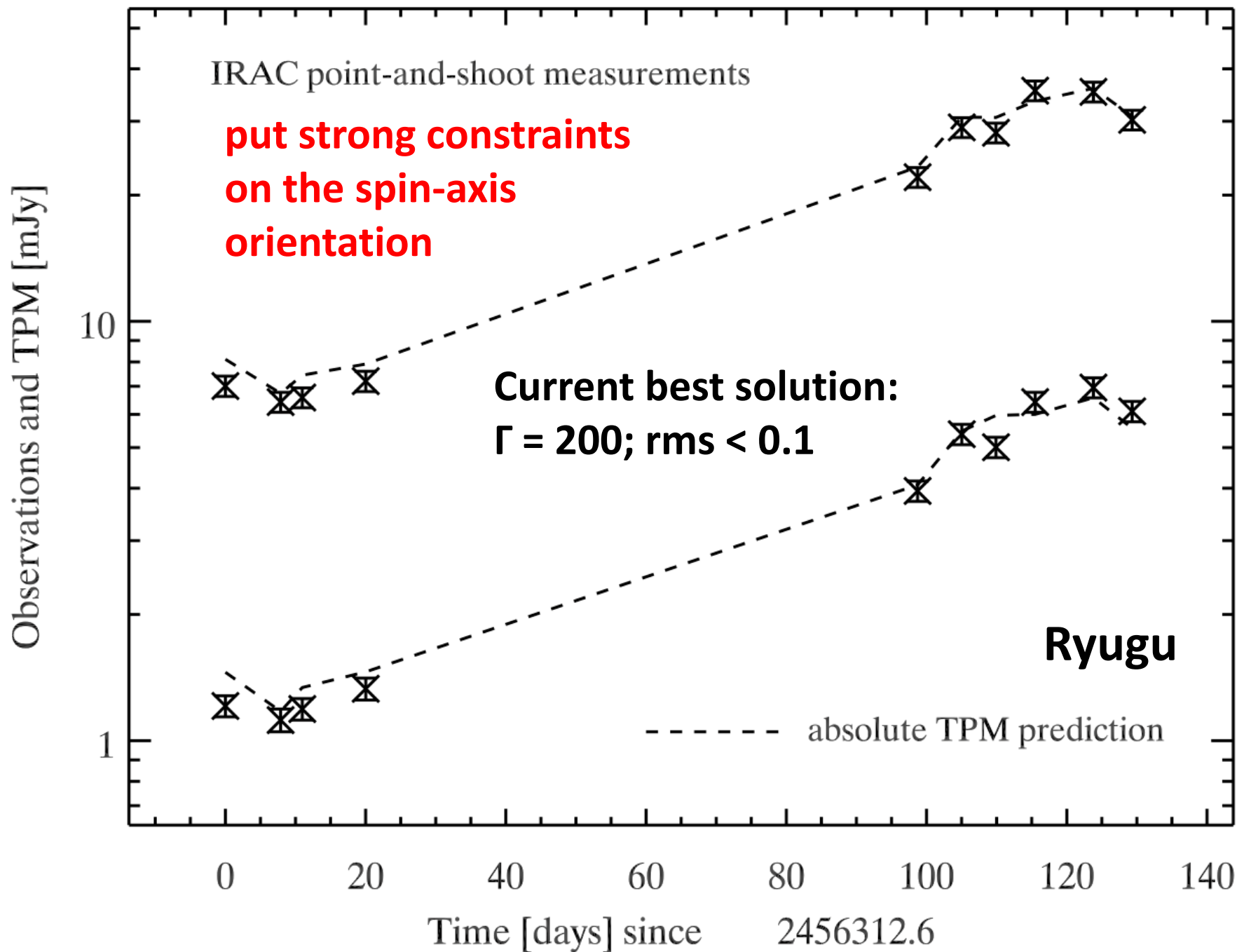
----- absolute TPM prediction

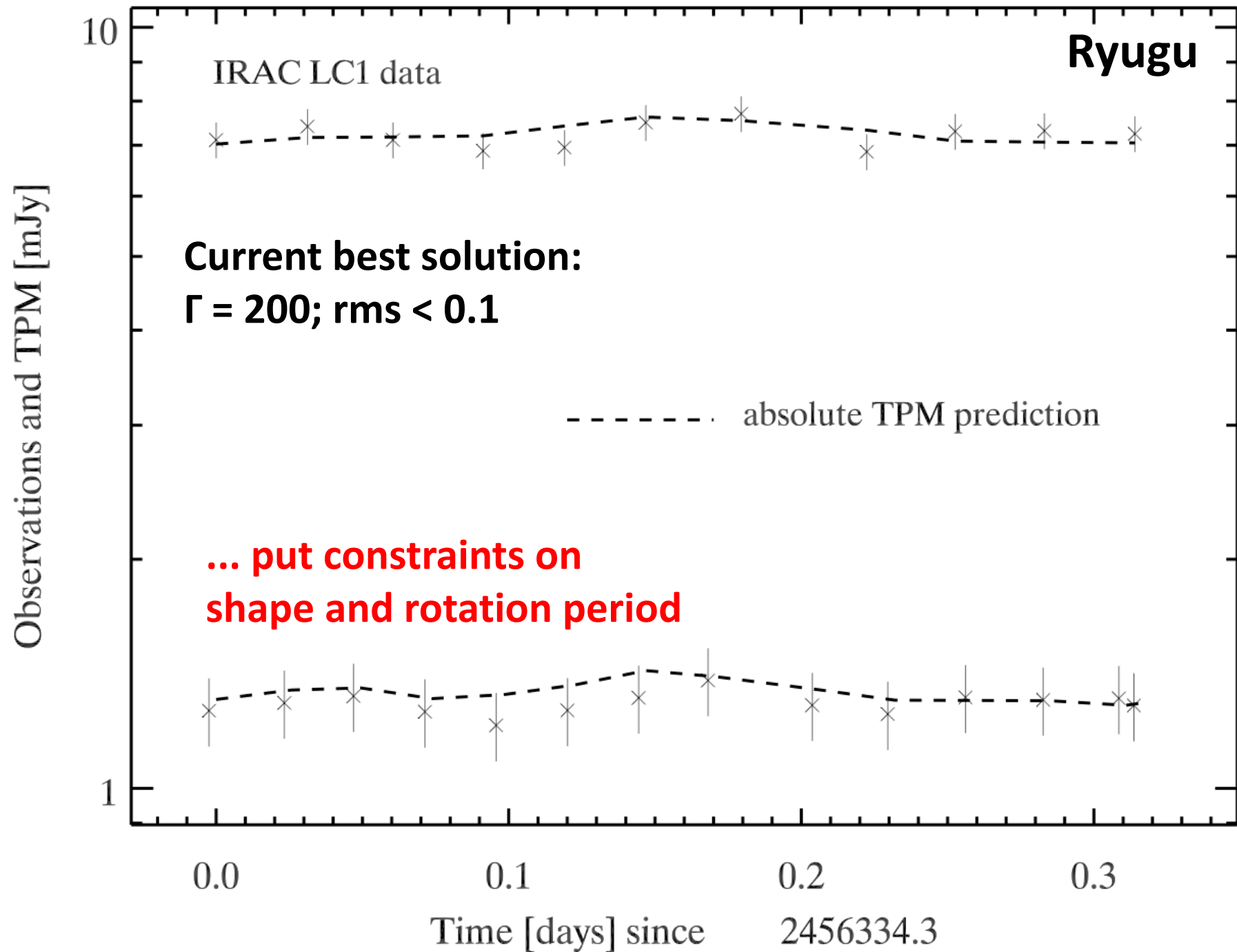
FD [mJy]

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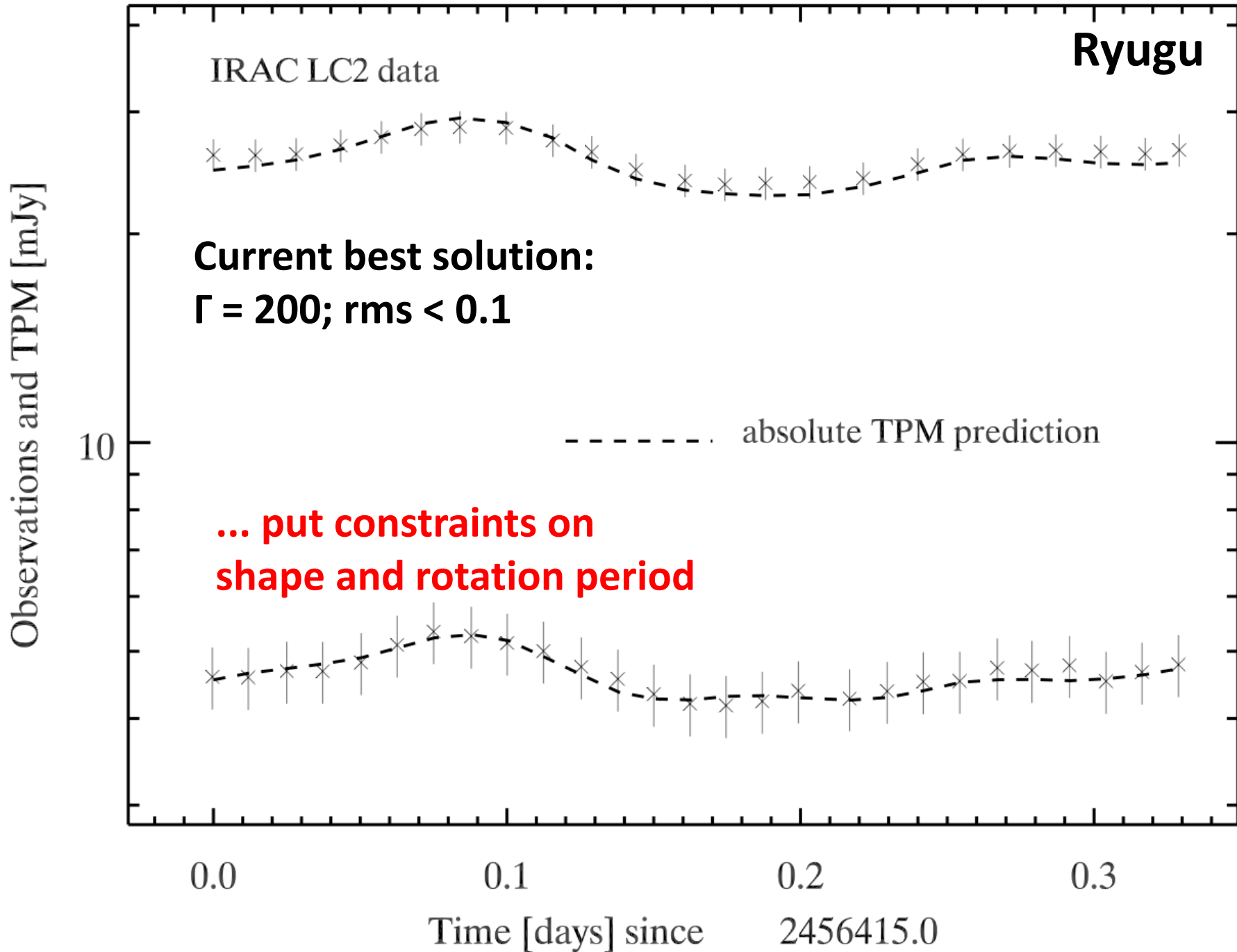
Wavelength [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]

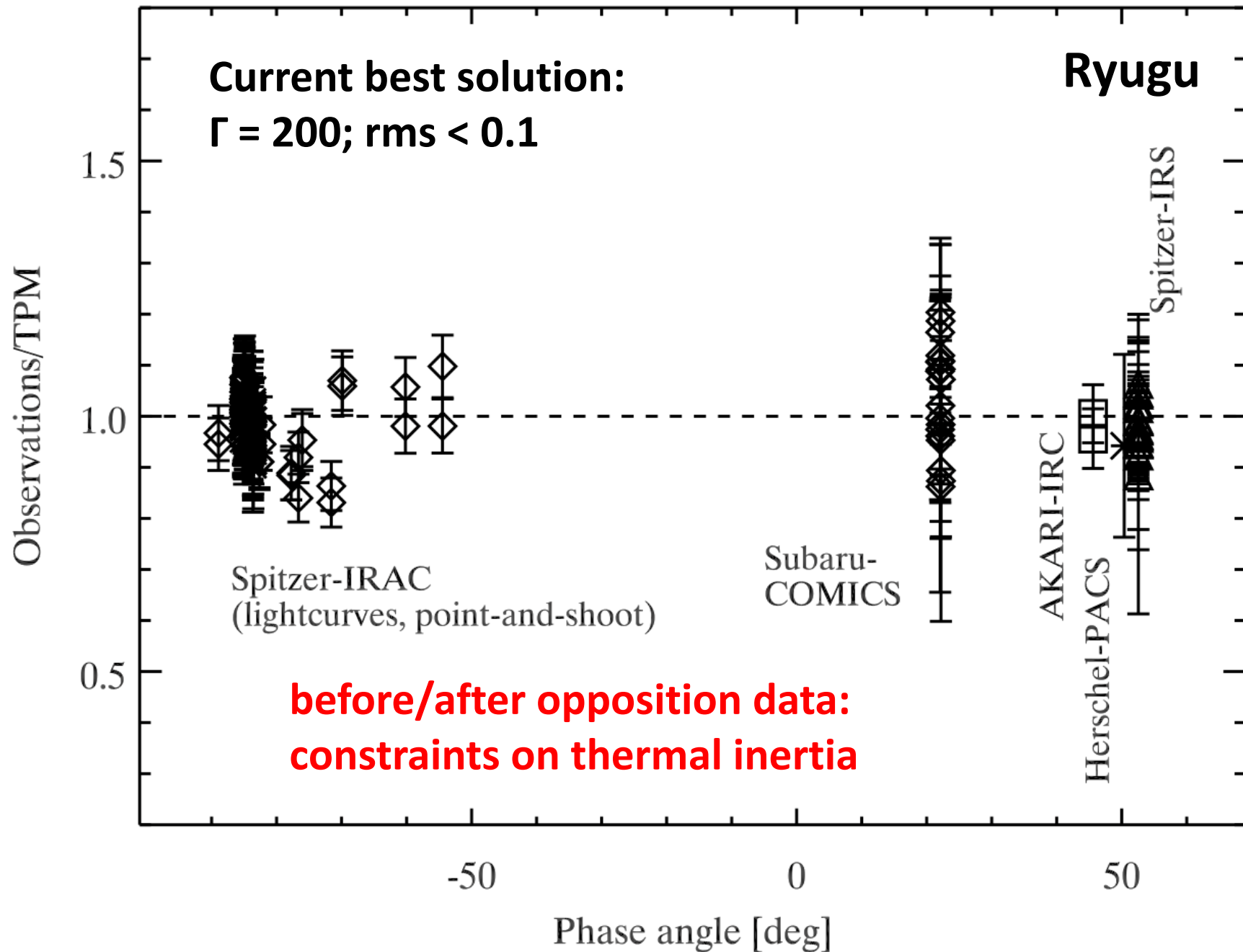


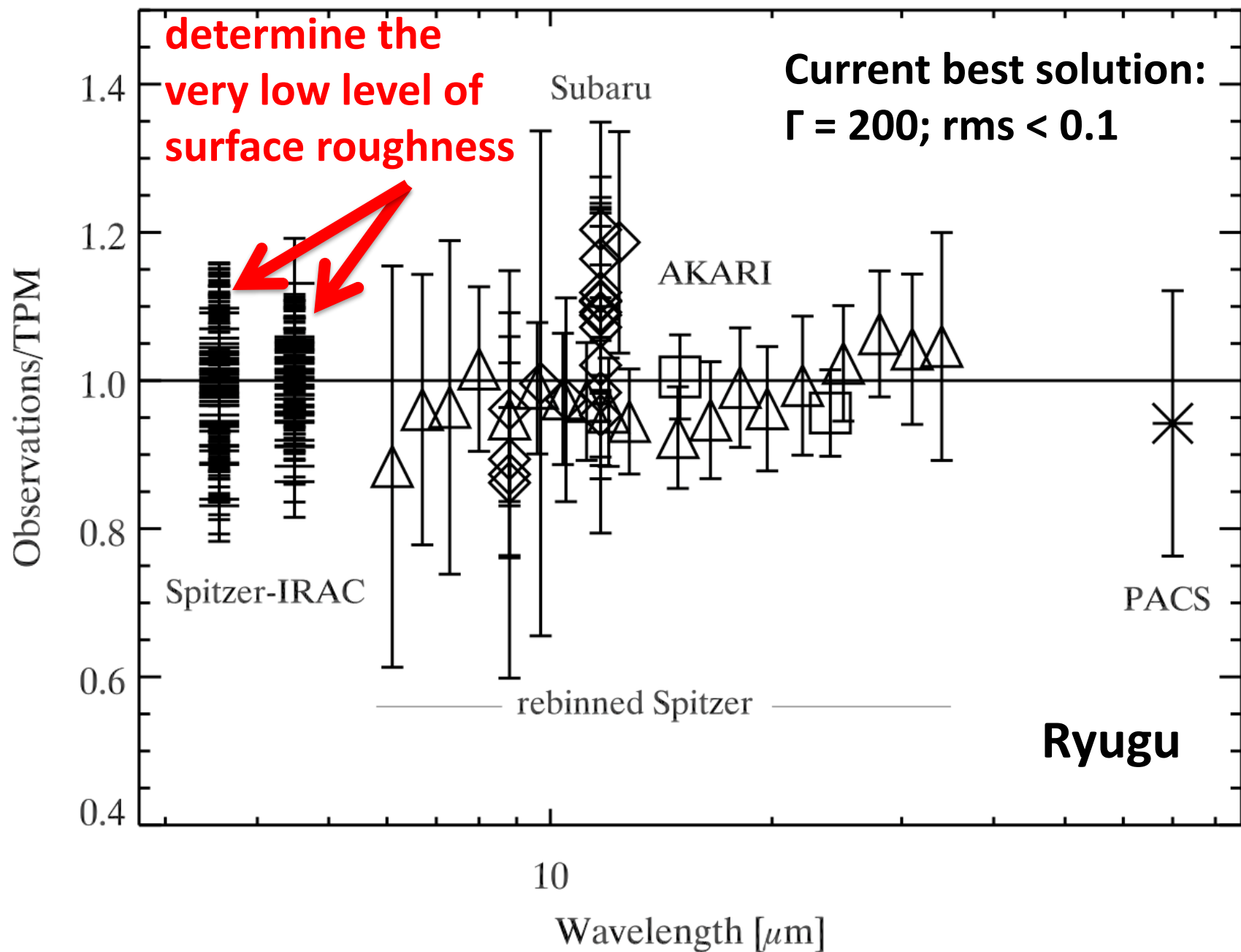






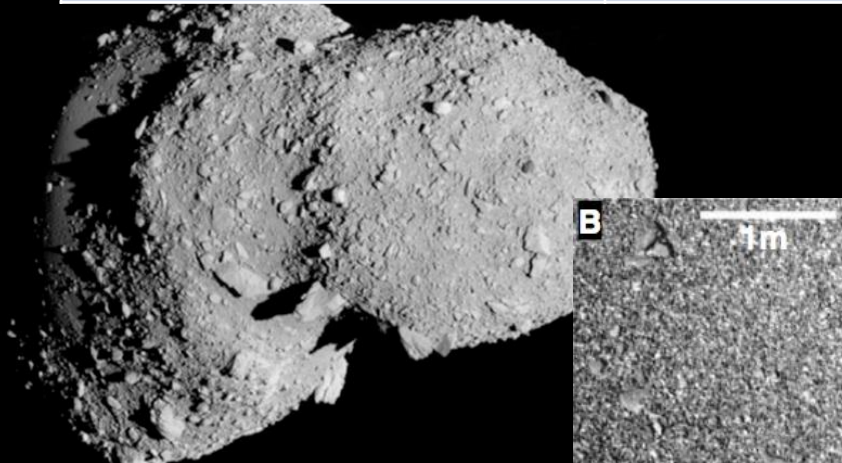






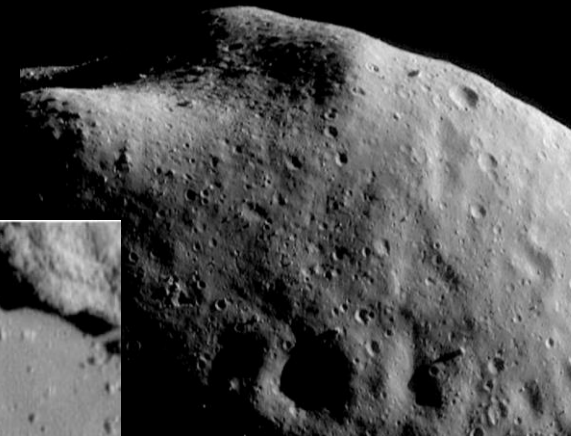
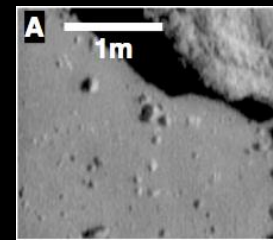
# Comparison of surface properties derived via radiometric techniques

	Itokawa	Bennu	Ryugu	Eros
<b>Thermal inertia</b> [Jm <sup>-2</sup> K <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1/2</sup> ]	700	550? 310?	200	150
<b>model (measured) roughness</b>	60° (50°?)	20°	5°	38° (25°)
<b>references</b>	Müller+14	reference model	Müller+16	Rozitis 16



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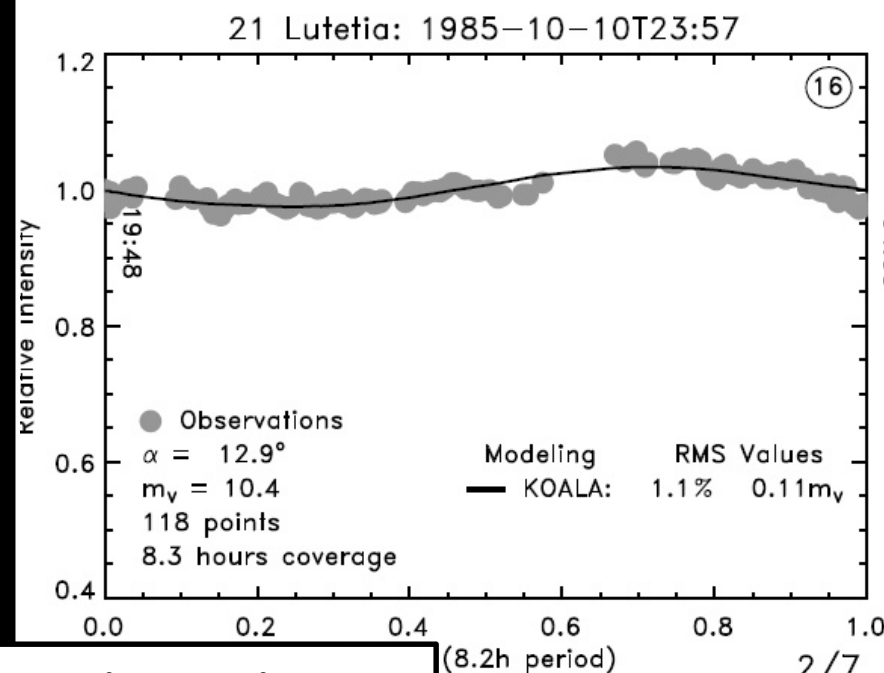
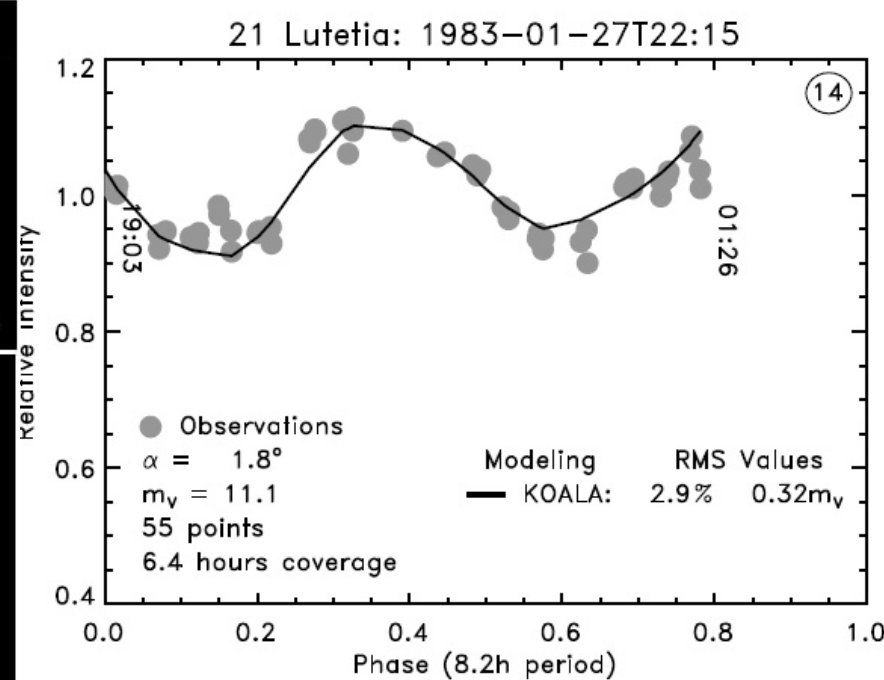
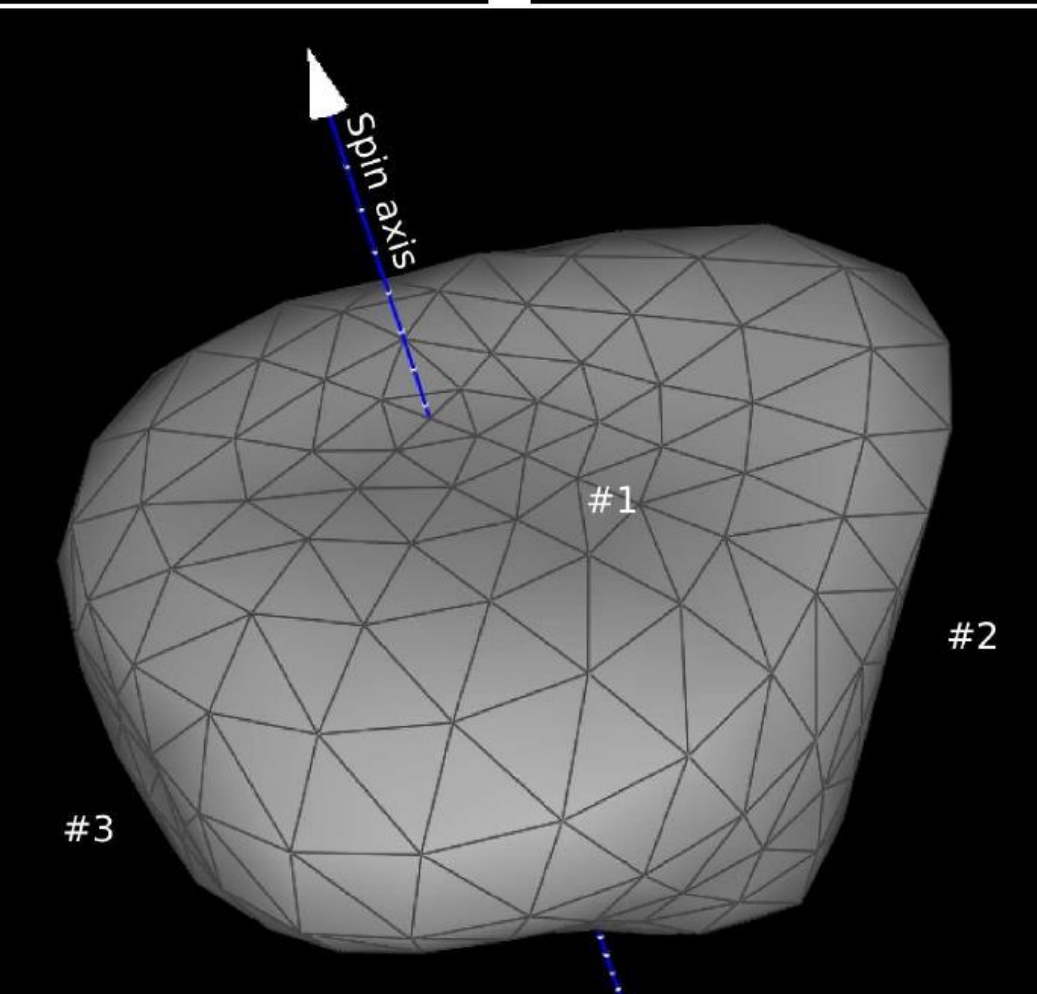
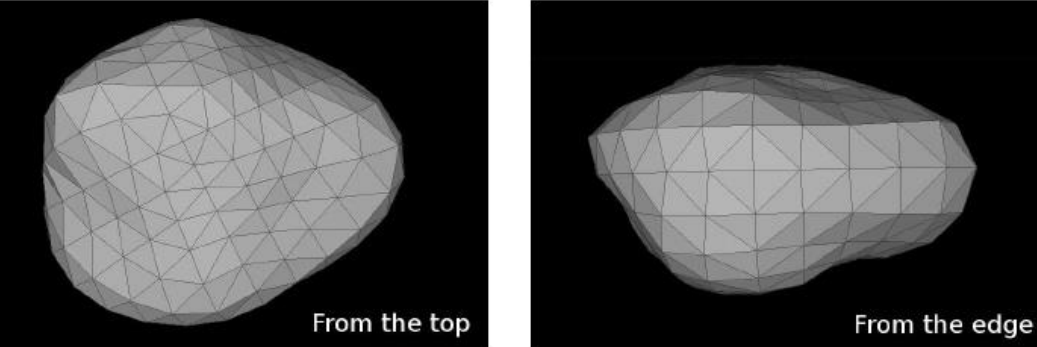


# Large main-belt asteroids

## Motivation:

- density determination for Gaia mass sample: requires high-quality size and shape information
- size-albedo properties for large samples (like for the AKARI catalogue; Usui+2011, 2013, 2014; Hasegawa+2013)
- thermal properties for IRAS, AKARI, WISE-detected objects
- asteroids as far-IR/submm/mm absolute flux calibration standards for ISO, AKARI, Spitzer, Herschel, ALMA, IRAM, APEX, etc. (Müller+2002, 2005, 2014; Stansberry+2007; ...)
- MBAs have no atmosphere, no dust storms, are (almost) IR featureless, have low-conductivity surfaces, shape and spin information, predictable daily/seasonally variations ...

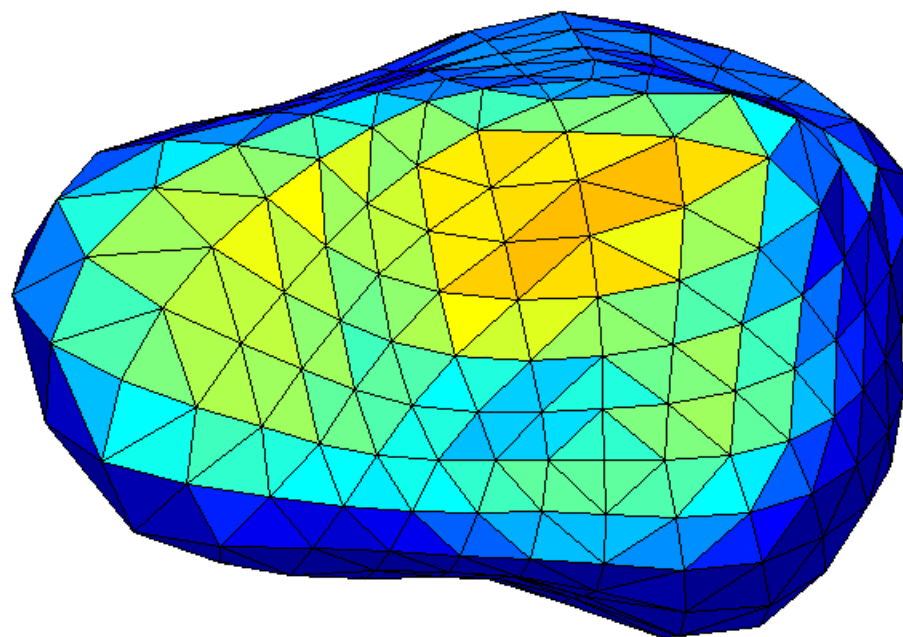




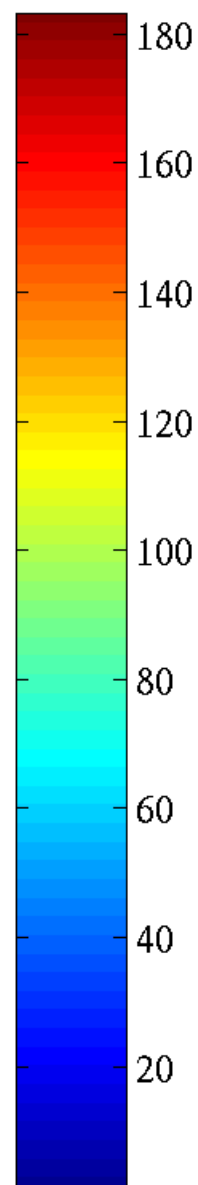
Shape and spin properties from lightcurve inversion



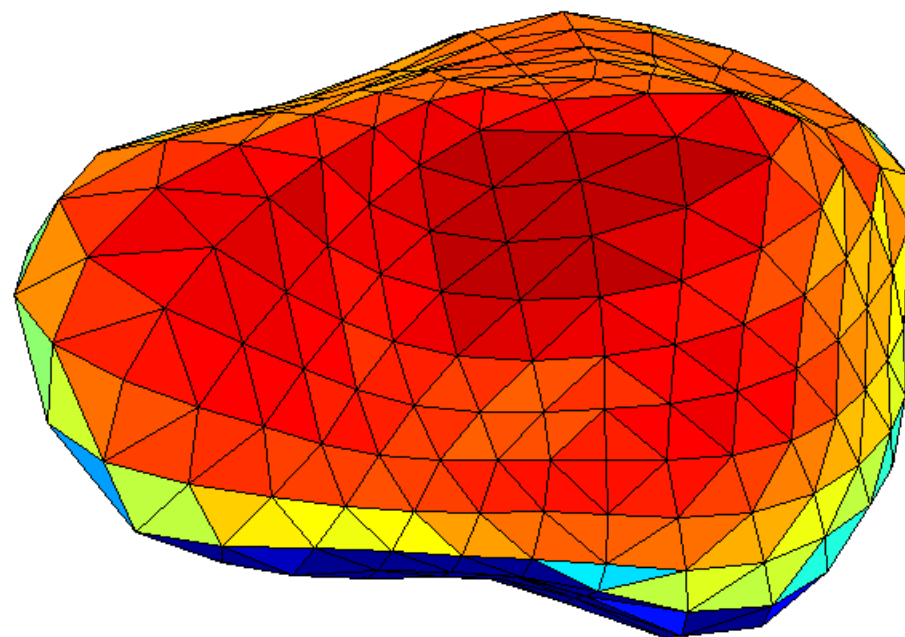
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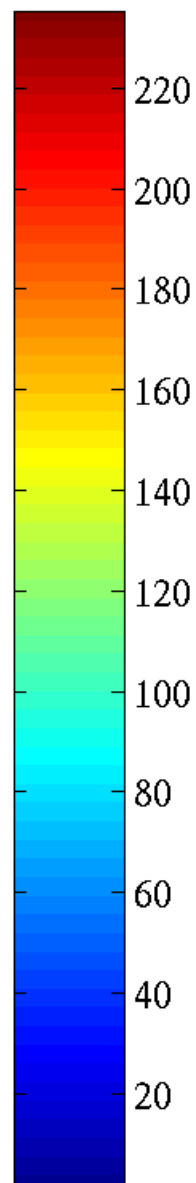
Insolation [ $\text{W/m}^2$ ]



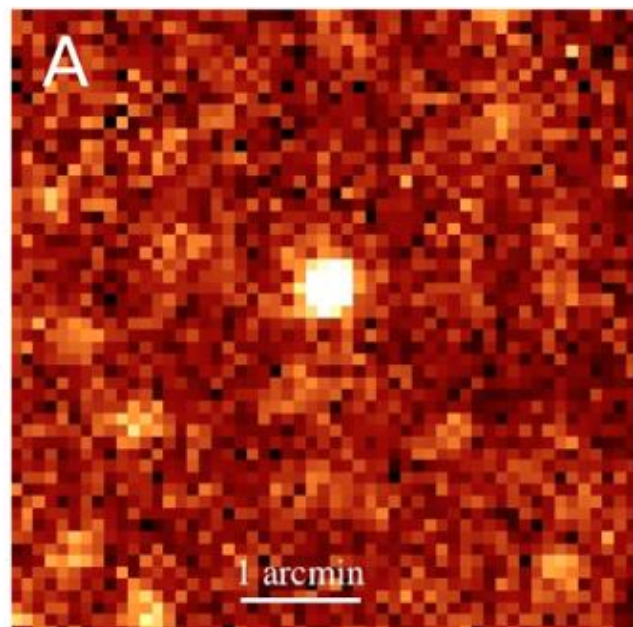
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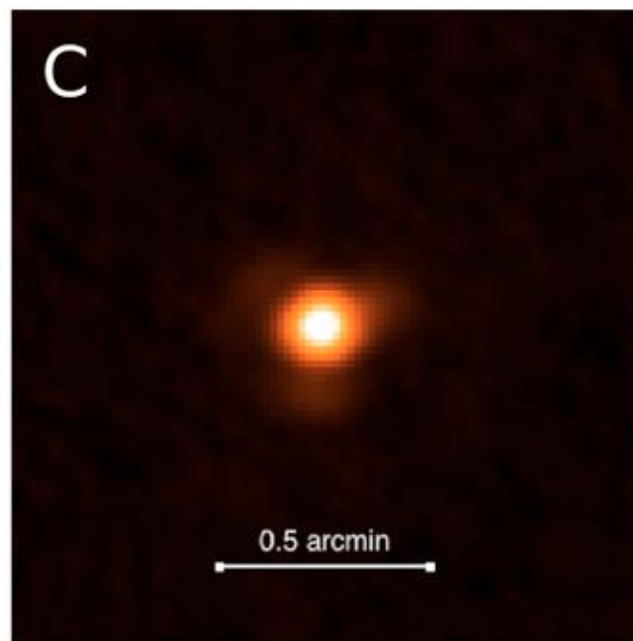
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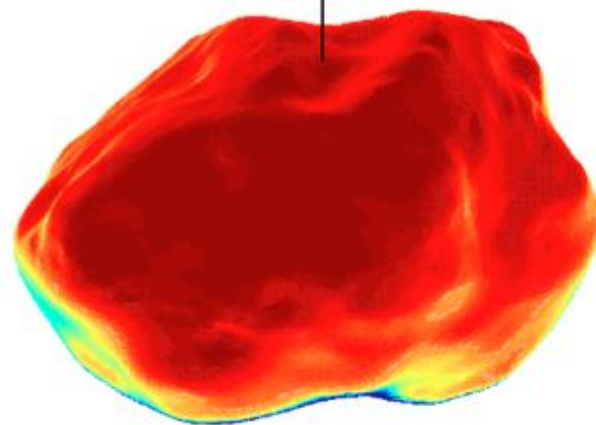
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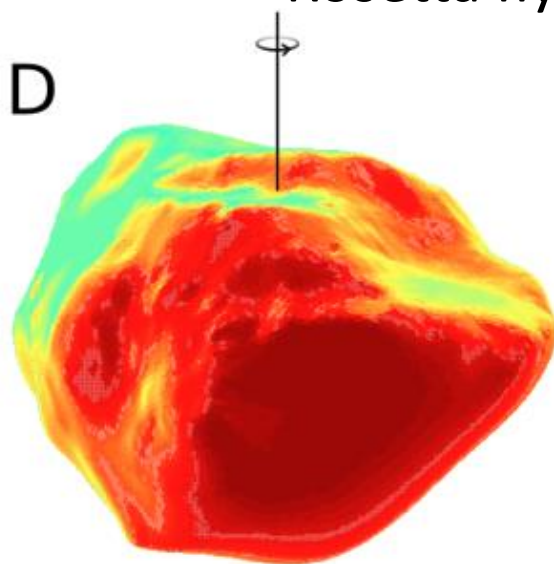
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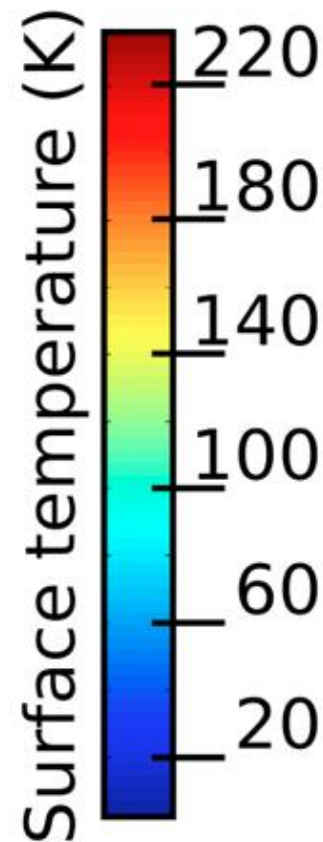
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**21 Lutetia**



**O'Rourke, Müller et al. 2012**

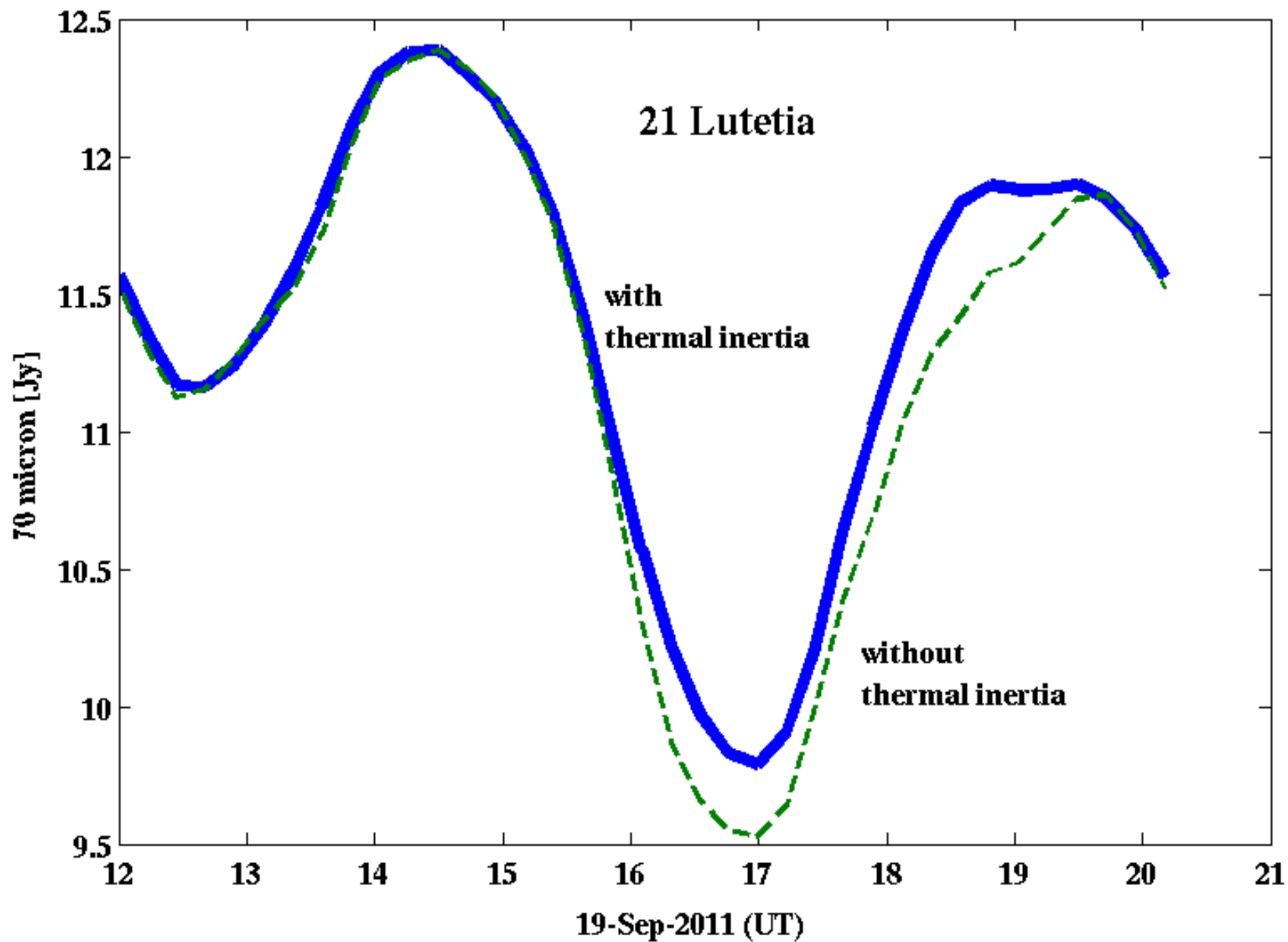


Figure 1 is a log-log plot showing the flux density of the protostar SMC G3.4+0.3 in Jy versus wavelength in  $\mu\text{m}$ . The x-axis ranges from 10 to 1000  $\mu\text{m}$ , with major ticks at 10, 100, and 1000. The y-axis ranges from 0.1 to 100.0 Jy, with major ticks at 0.1, 1.0, 10.0, and 100.0. The plot is divided into two regions by a vertical line at approximately 160  $\mu\text{m}$ : the PACS region (left) and the SPIRE region (right). The data points are categorized by instrument: PACS (black squares) and SPIRE (black crosses). The flux density decreases significantly with increasing wavelength, from approximately 12 Jy at 70  $\mu\text{m}$  to about 0.06 Jy at 500  $\mu\text{m}$ .

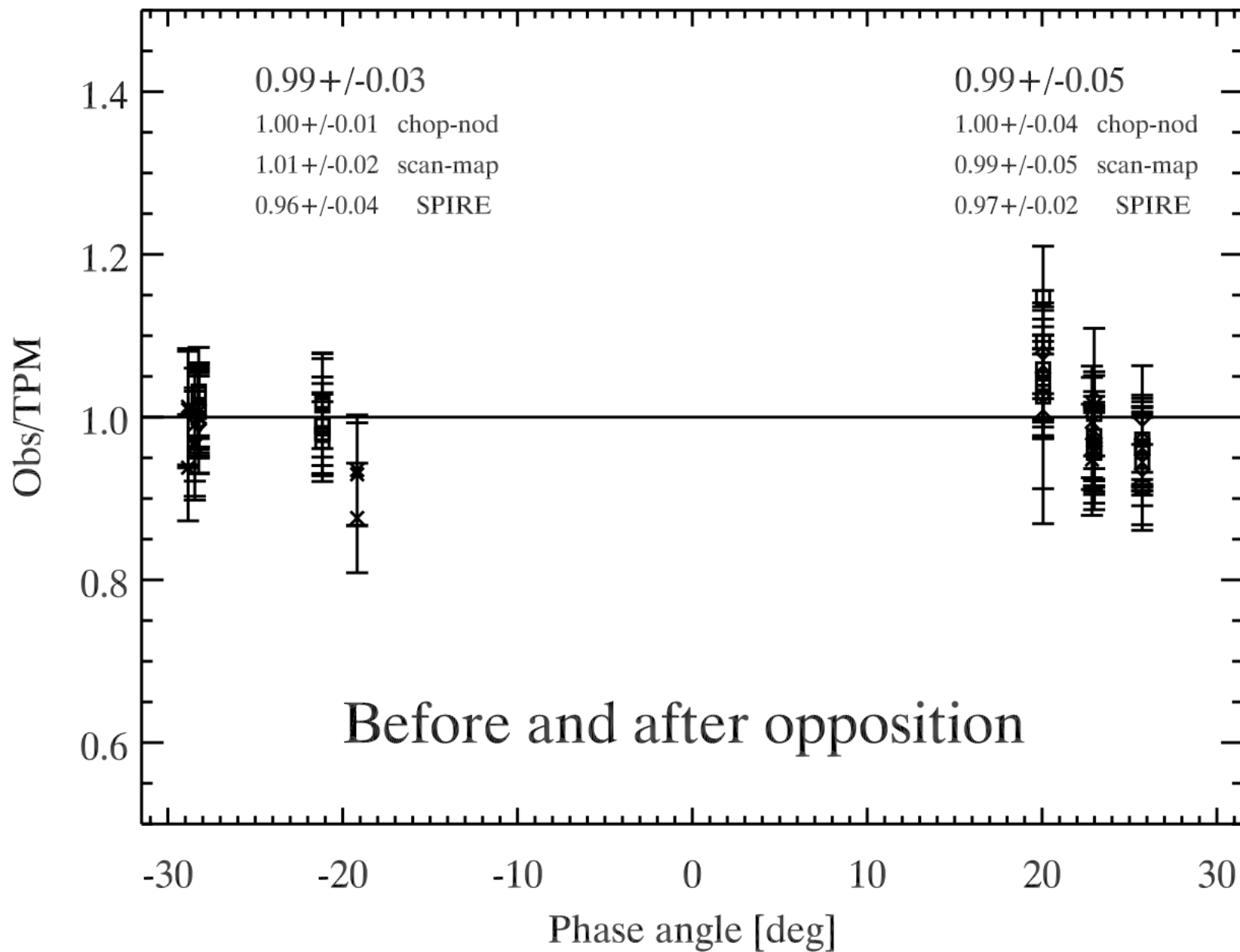
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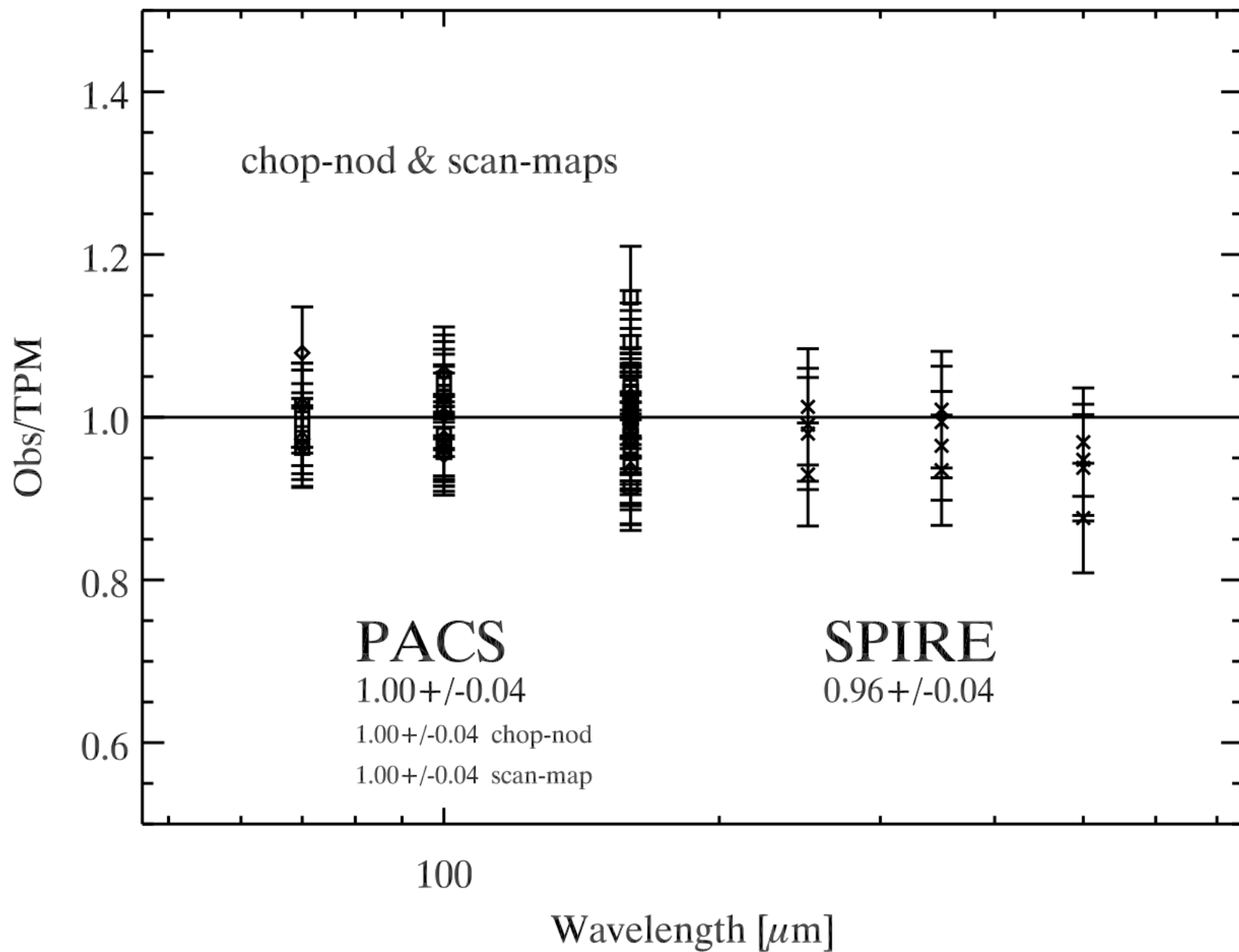
Flux [Jy]

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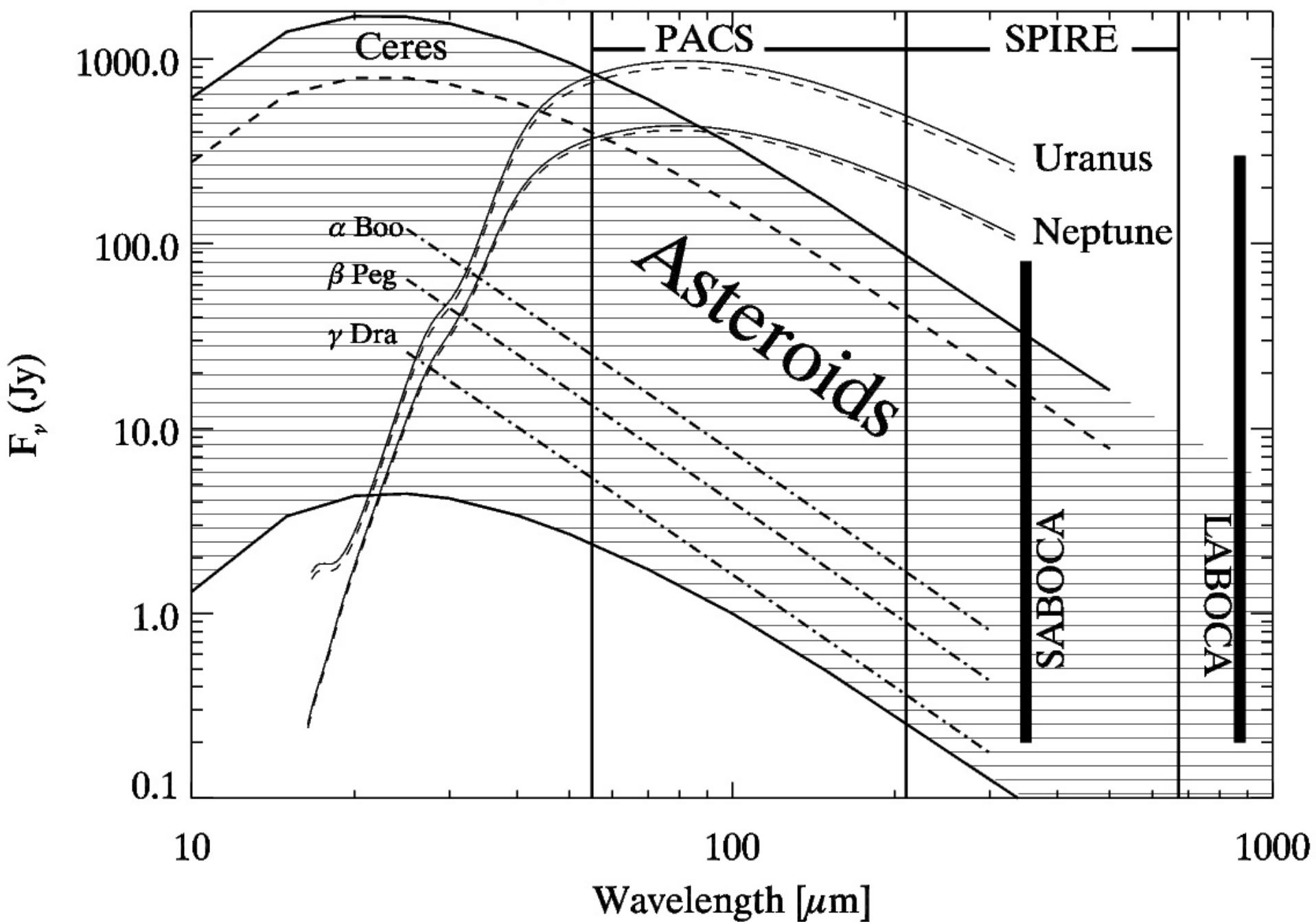
Wavelength [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]







# Herschel point-source flux calibrators



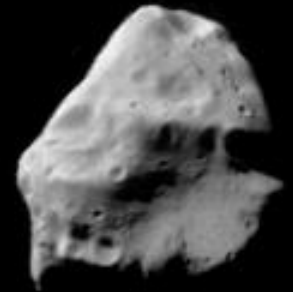
# Asteroids/TNOs in the thermal infrared

Relevant:

- Observing & illumination geometry
- Size & geometric albedo
- Shape & spin properties
- Surface thermal & roughness properties

Less relevant:

- Colour, albedo variations, mineralogy, small surface features or shape features



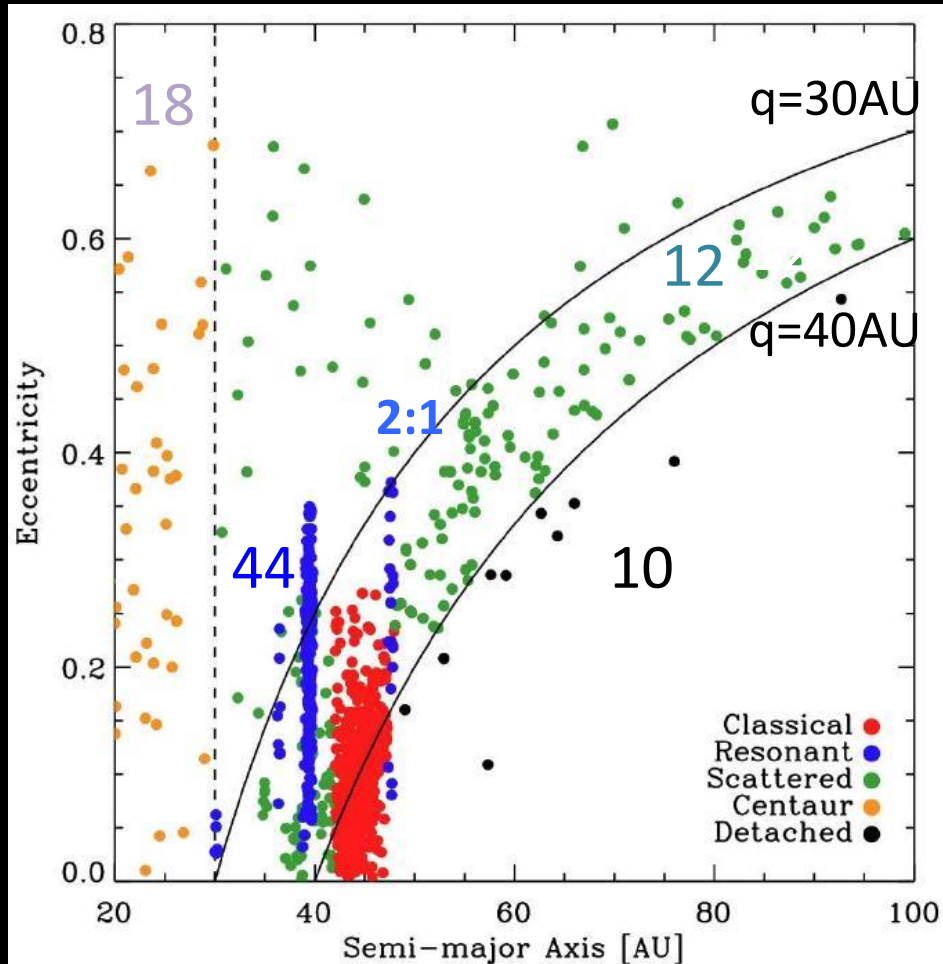
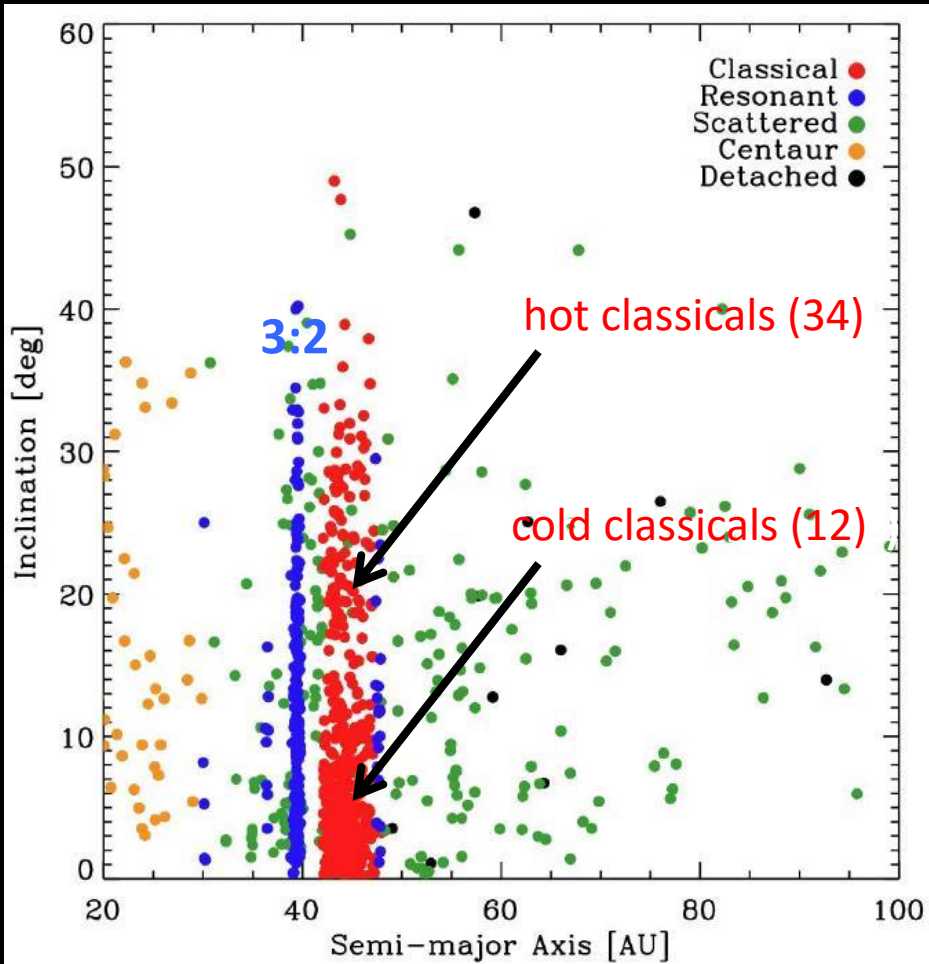
# **“TNOs are Cool”**

## **A survey of the transneptunian region with Herschel**

- Infrared Space Observatory (ESA):  
2009 – 2013
- 3.5 m telescope, L2 Orbit
- Photometry and spectroscopy  
(55 to 672  $\mu\text{m}$ ), cooled  
instruments PACS, SPIRE, HIFI
- Observed about 1/10 of the sky  
(individual targets, small fields)
- Galaxy formation & evolution,  
star/planet formation, ISM,  
solar system
- OT Key Project (PI: T. Müller)  
targeted photometry of about  
130 TNOs/Centaurs

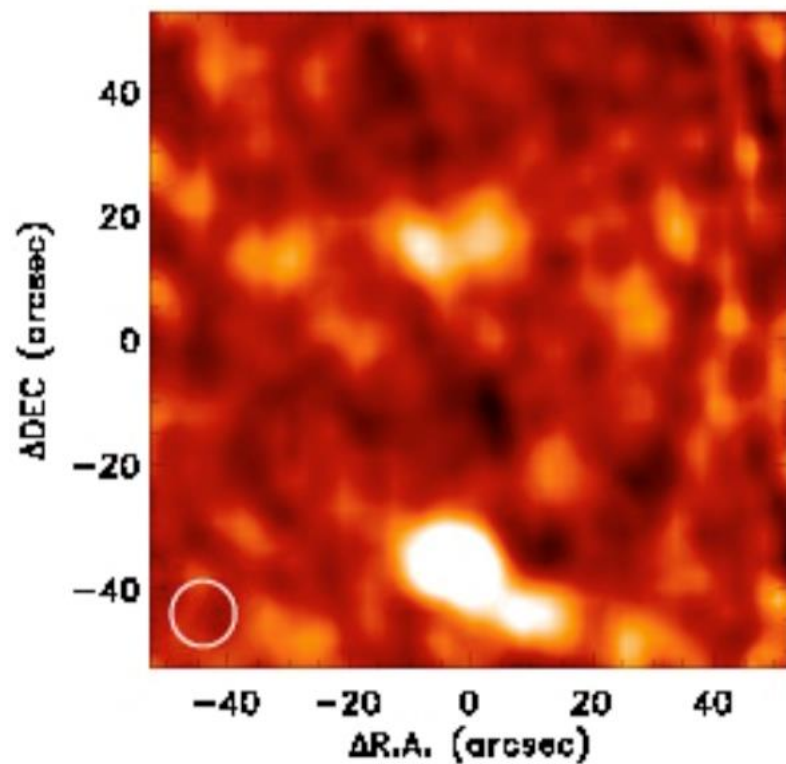


# The trans-Neptunian Region & “TNOs are Cool” Sample

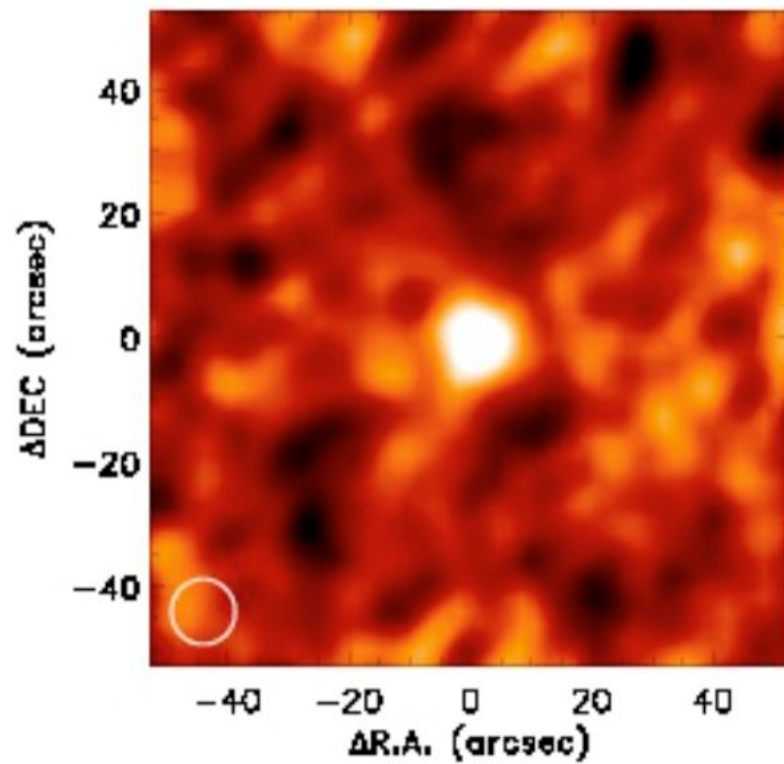




**Standard map  
(scan + cross-scan)**



**Double-differential map  
(after background subtraction)**

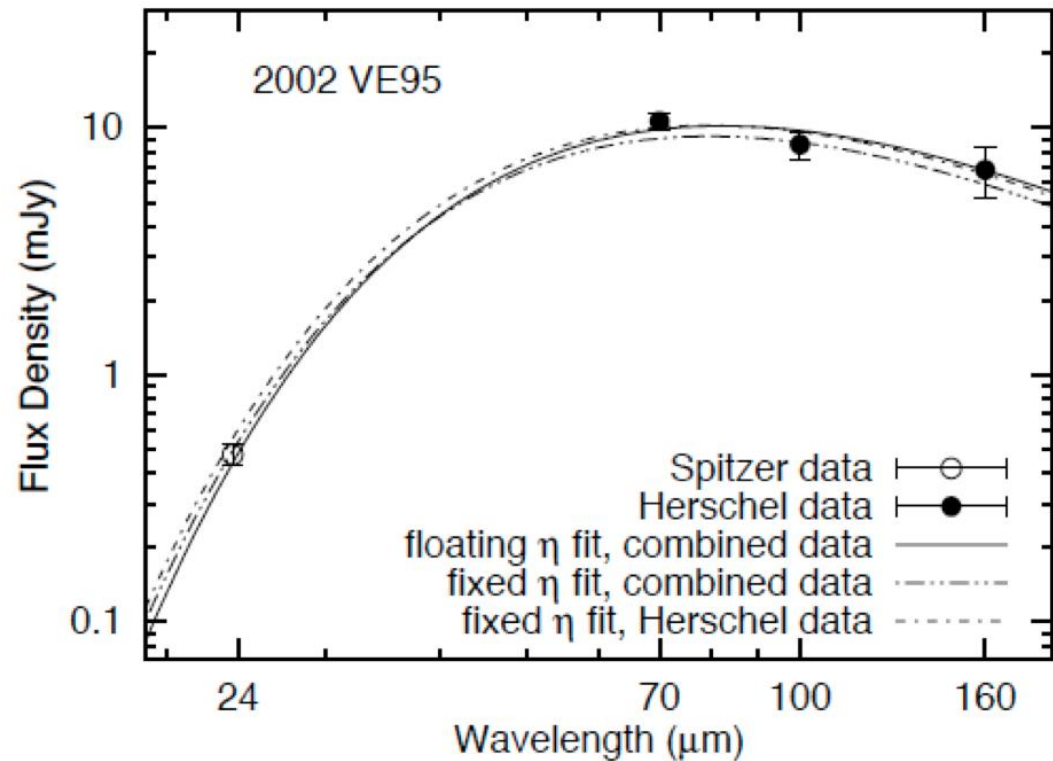
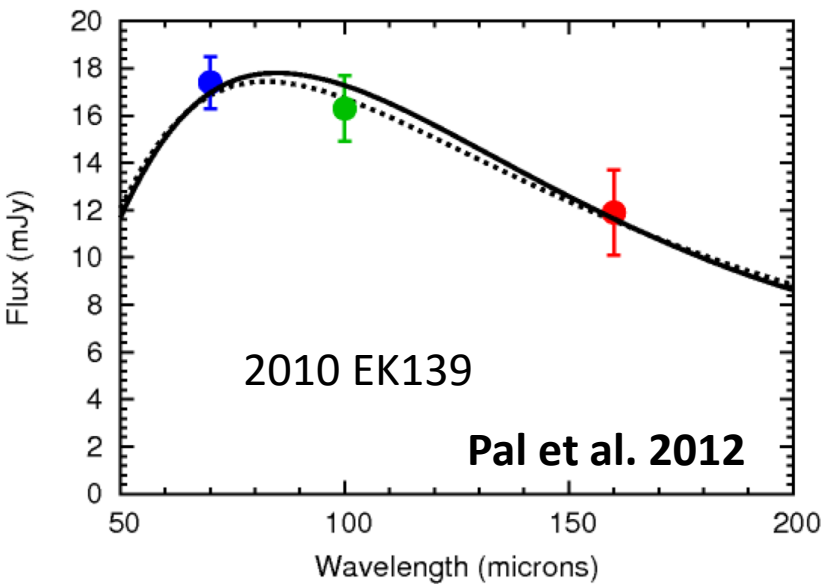
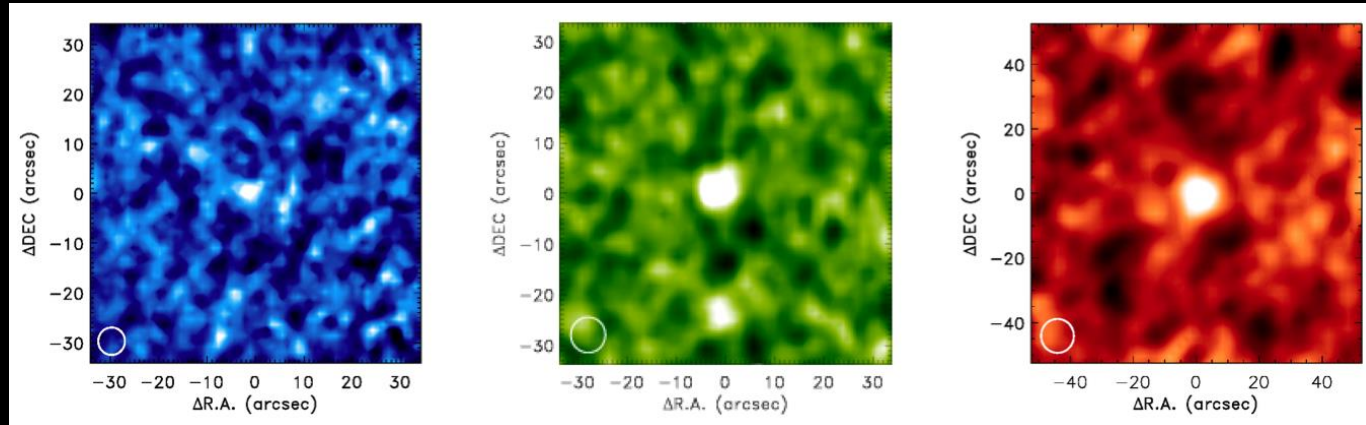


**Eris at 160  $\mu\text{m}$**



# Fundamental Properties: Size & Albedos

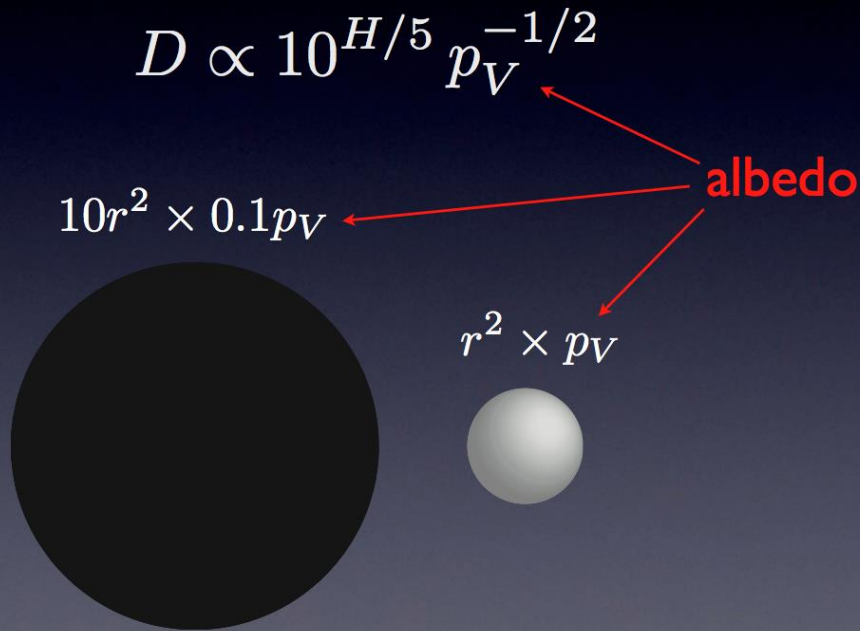
130 TNO/Centaurs  
>90% detections  
with Herschel,  
partially detected  
by Spitzer



Different thermal models

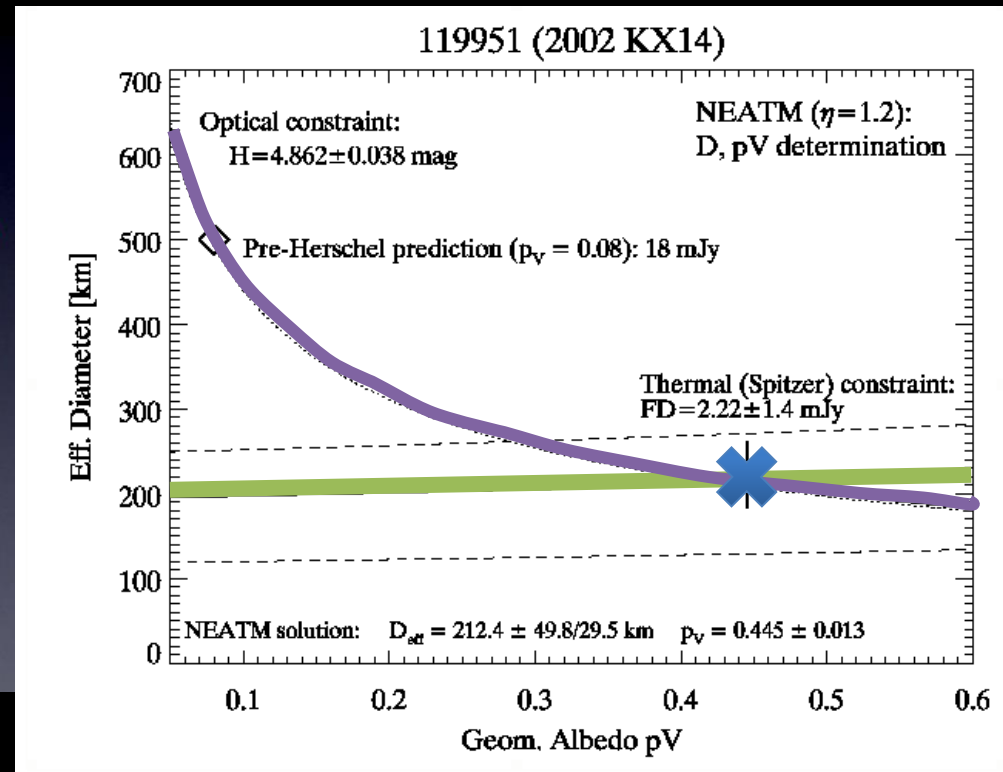
# Fundamental Properties: Size & Albedos

- groundbased support to characterize the reflected light
- careful determination of error bars
- well-established (and calibrated) model setups

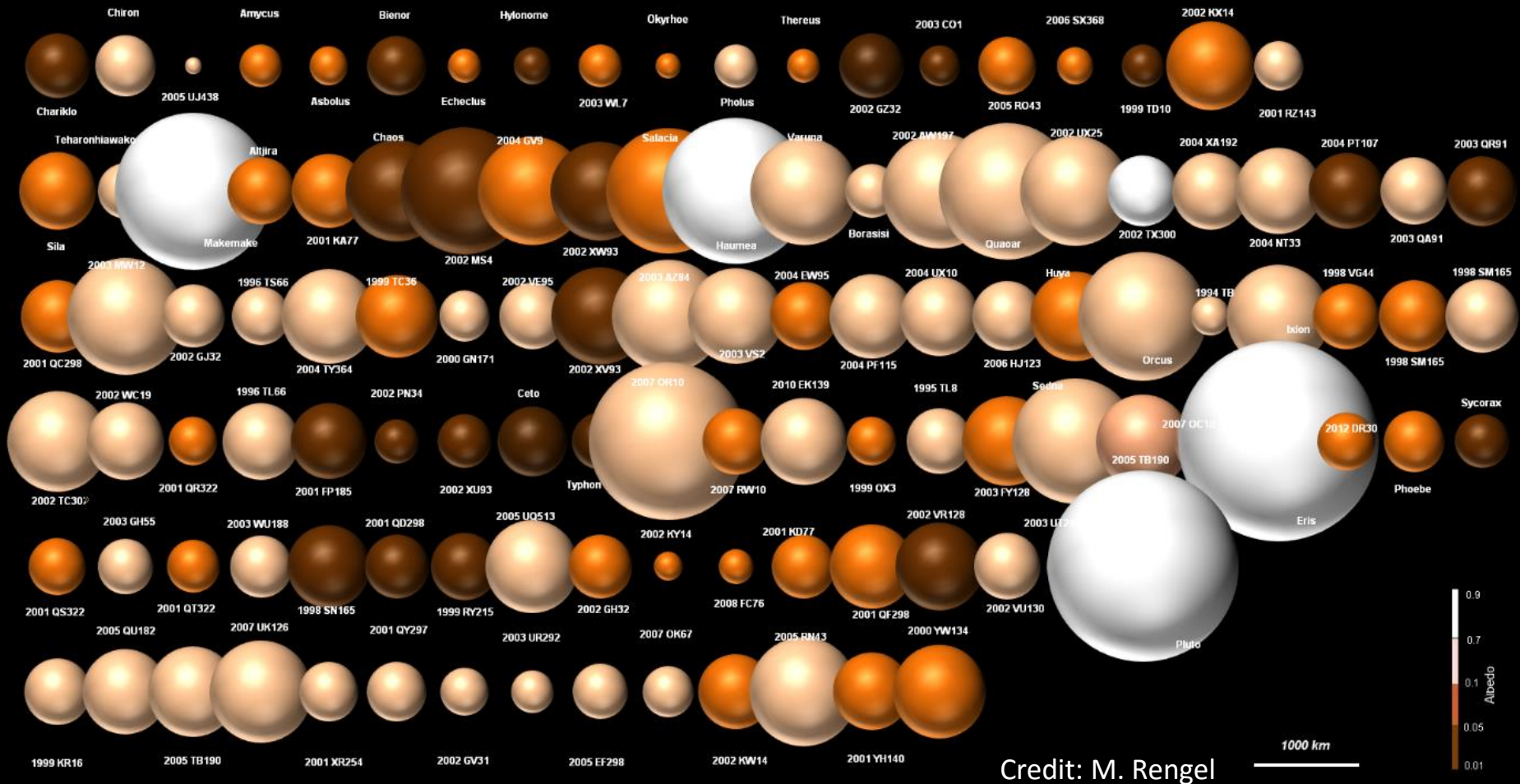


## Radiometric method:

- solving for size & albedo
- reflected light: absolute magnitude  $H$
- thermal emission: as measured by (Spitzer)/Herschel

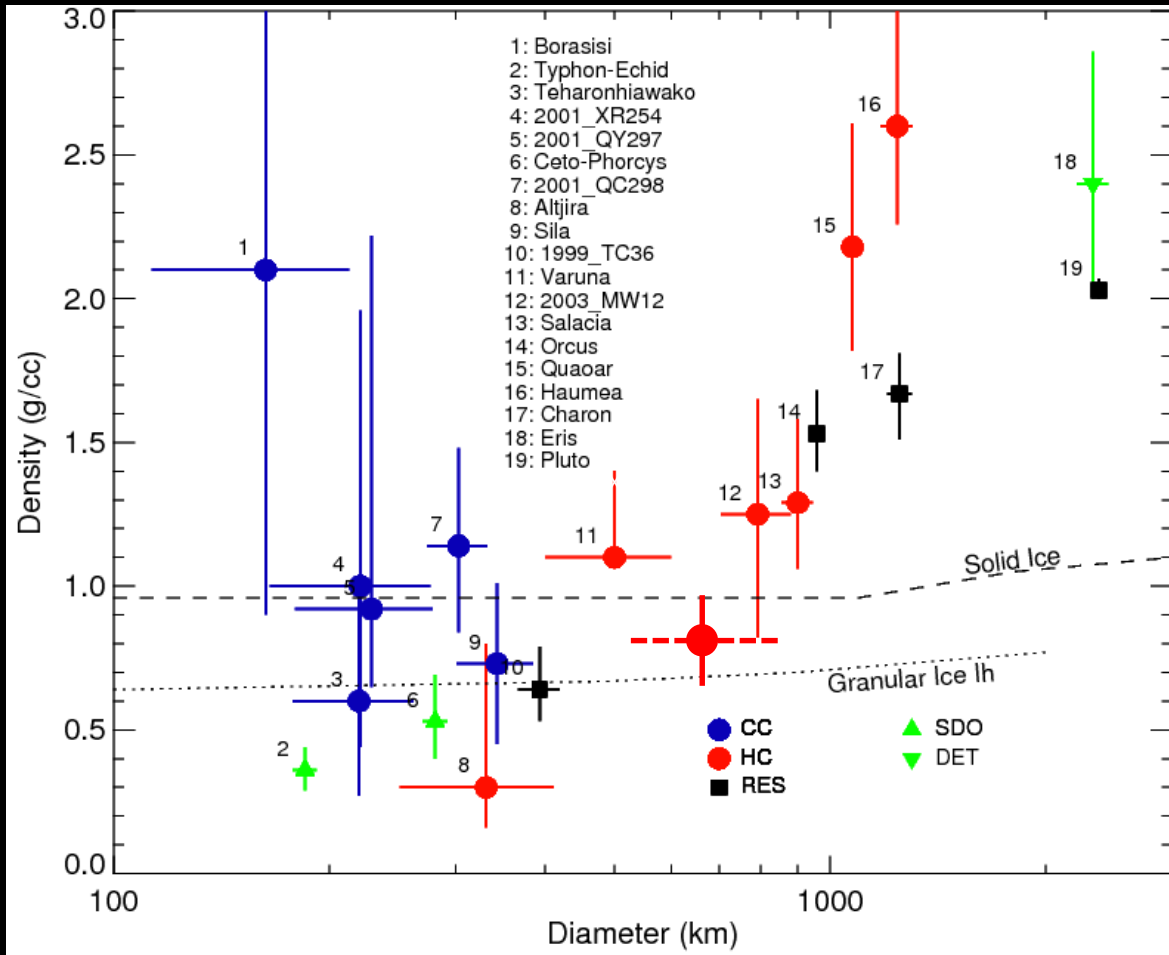


# TNO Fundamental Properties: Size & Albedos



Müller et al. 2010, Lellouch et al. 2010, Lim et al. 2010, Mommert et al. 2012, Vilenius et al. 2012, Santos-Sanz et al. 2012, Fornasier et al. 2013, Duffard et al. 2013, Kiss et al. 2013, Vilenius et al. 2013

# TNO Densities: derived from binary systems



objects  $> \approx 500$  km all have densities above  $\approx 1$  g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
→ requires inclusion of rocks

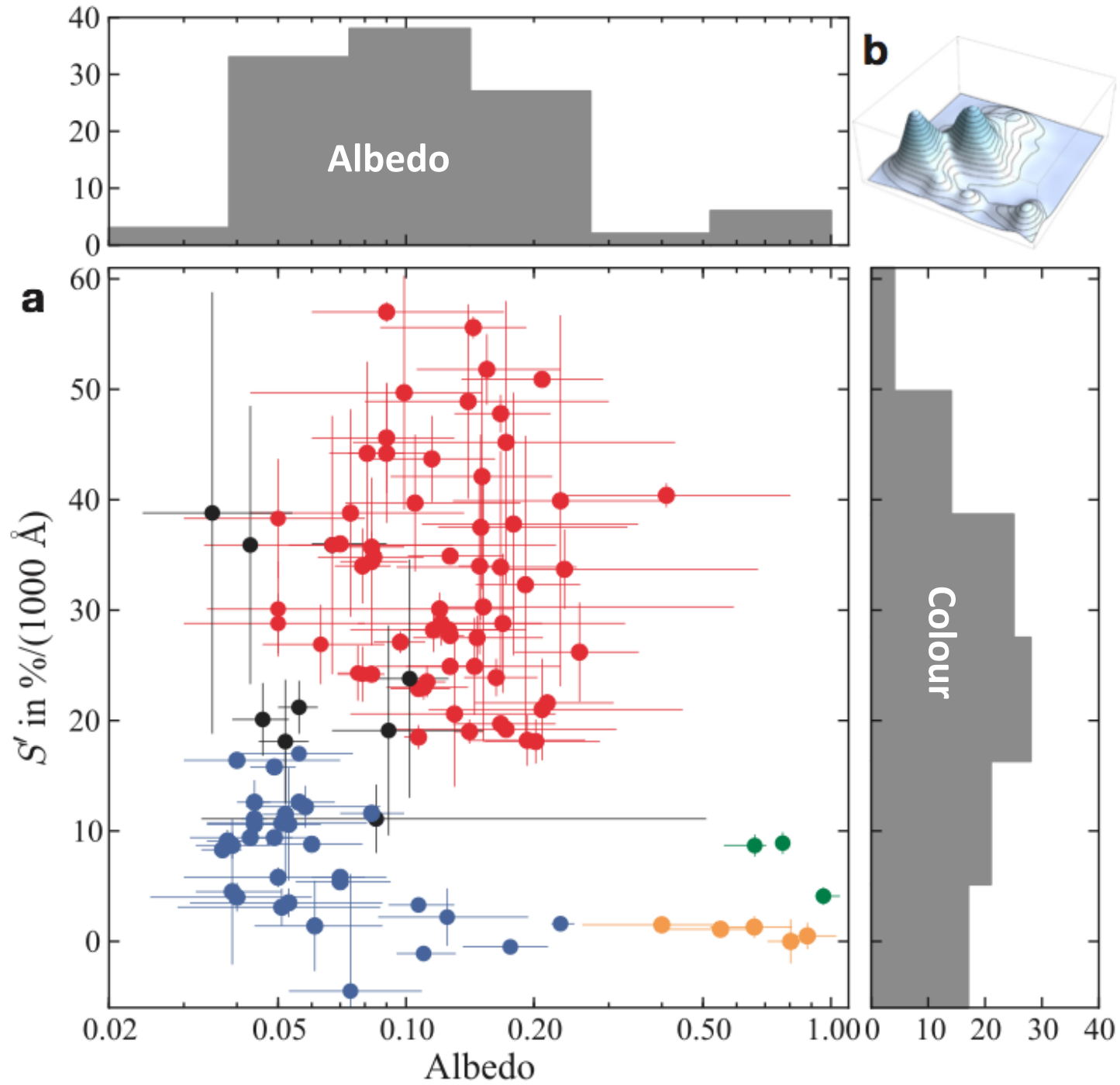
Pluto 2 g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
→ 50-70% rock, 30-50% ice  
Eris 2.5 g/cm<sup>3</sup>,  
Haumea  $\approx 2.6$ -3.3 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

most of the objects  $< \approx 350$  km have densities  $< \approx 1$  g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
(methane ice 0.5 g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
pure H<sub>2</sub>O  $< \approx 1$  g/cm<sup>3</sup>)  
→ macro-porosity?  
→ very high ice/rock ratios?  
→ fluffy ice?

Different formation scenarios for large and small TNOs?:

- dwarf planets: direct collapse from over dense regions of the disk?
- smaller TNOs: standard pairwise accretion?

**Brown 2013,**  
**Vilenius et al. 2013**

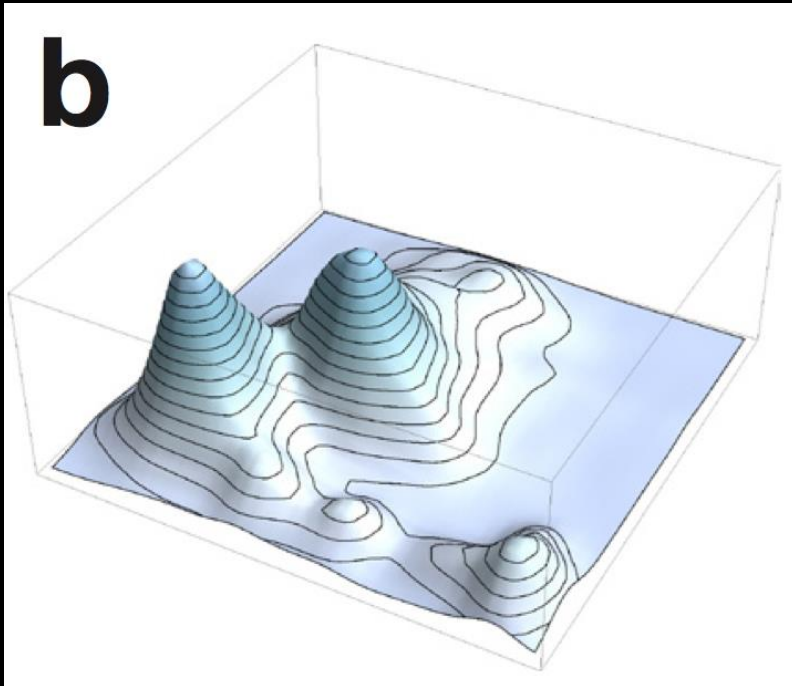


Lacerda et al. 2014

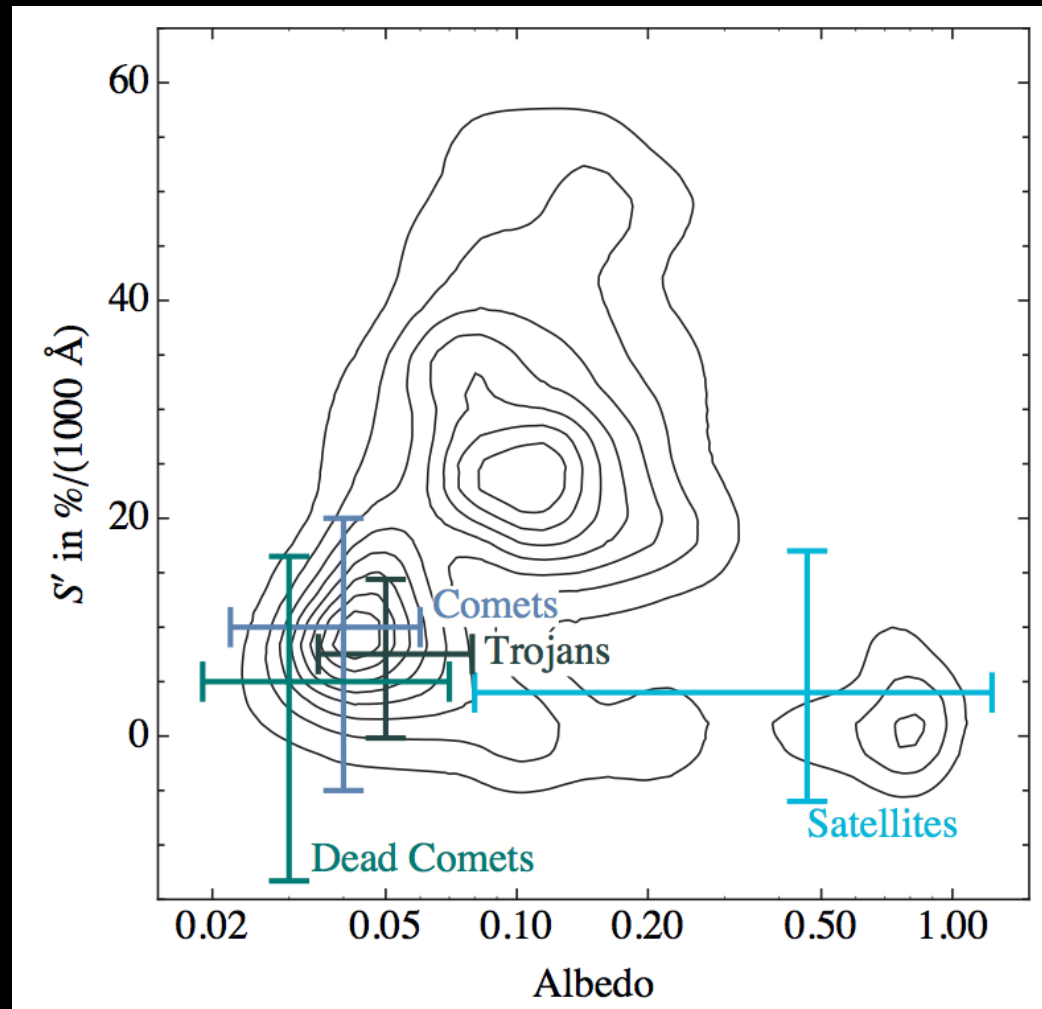


**Colour-albedo information reveals the location of formation: red, high-albedo objects (cold classicals, detached, resonant) formed at larger distances; dark, neutral-colour objects (Centaur, hot classicals) formed further in. This color-albedo separation is evidence for a compositional discontinuity in the young solar system.**

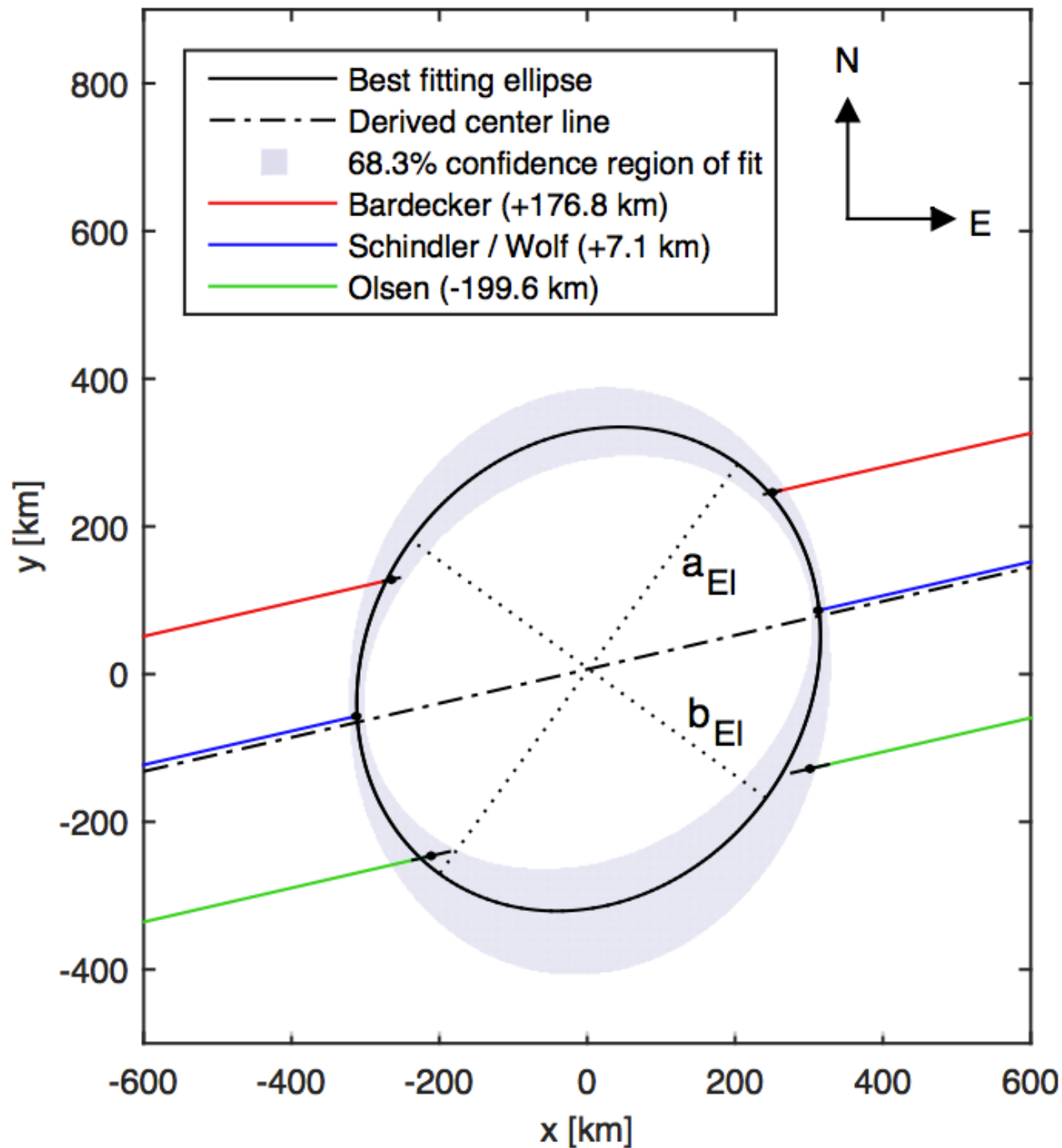
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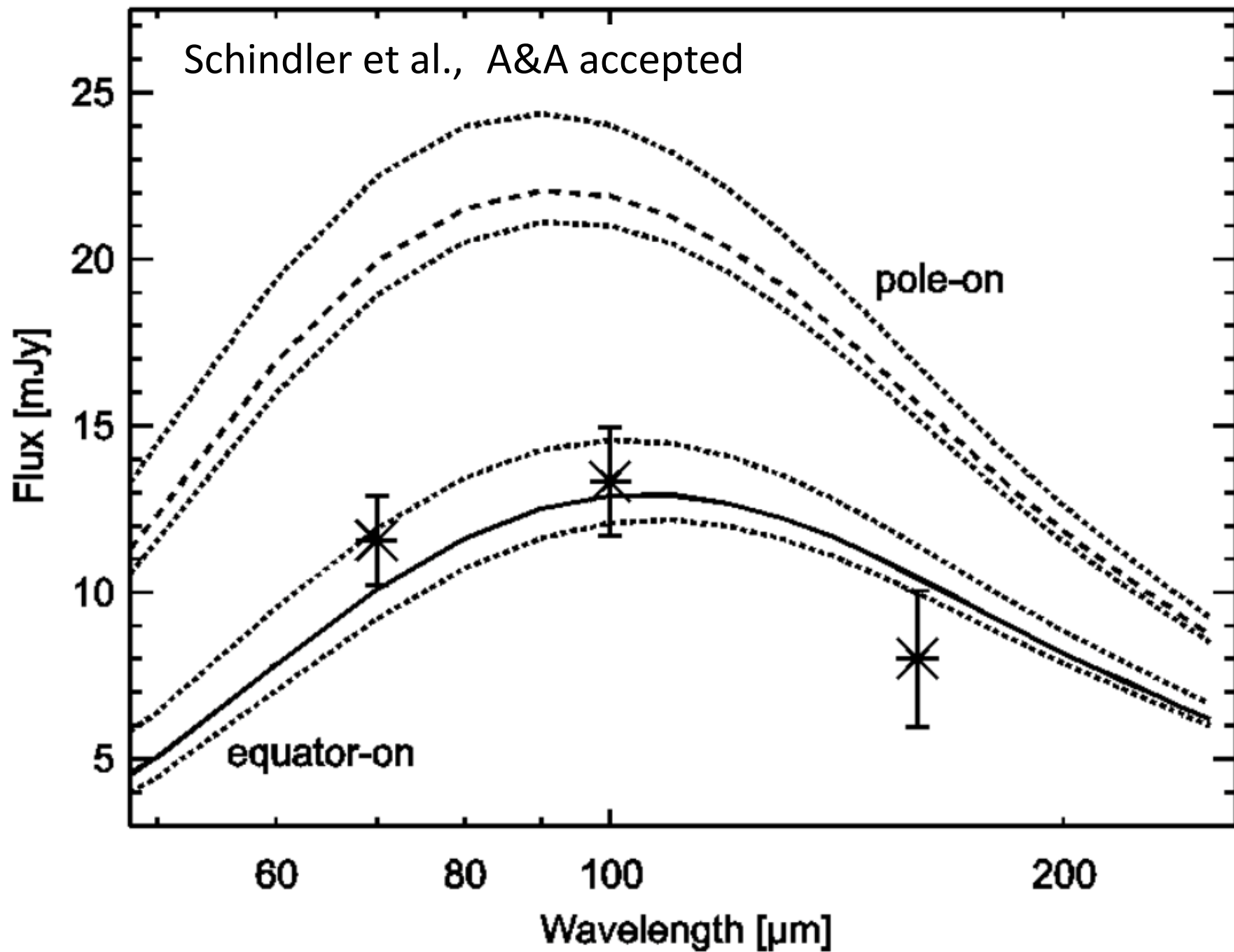
**Lacerda et al. 2014**



- occultation of TNO 2007 UK126 in Nov 2014
- lightcurve ampl. 0.03 mag
- Herschel 3-band photometric obs.
- Schindler et al., A&A accepted



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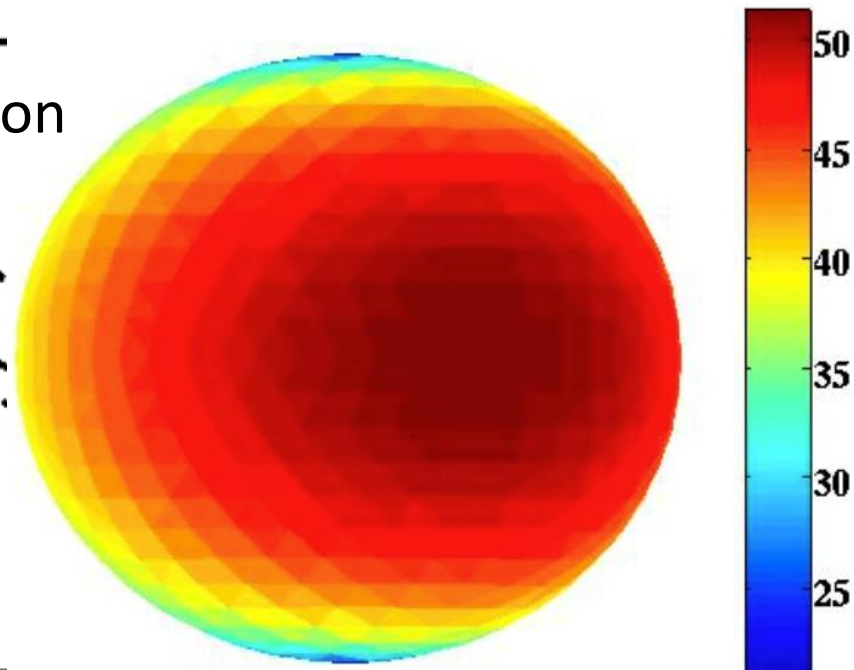


Schindler et al., in preparation

Flux [mJy]

equator-on

Wavelength [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]



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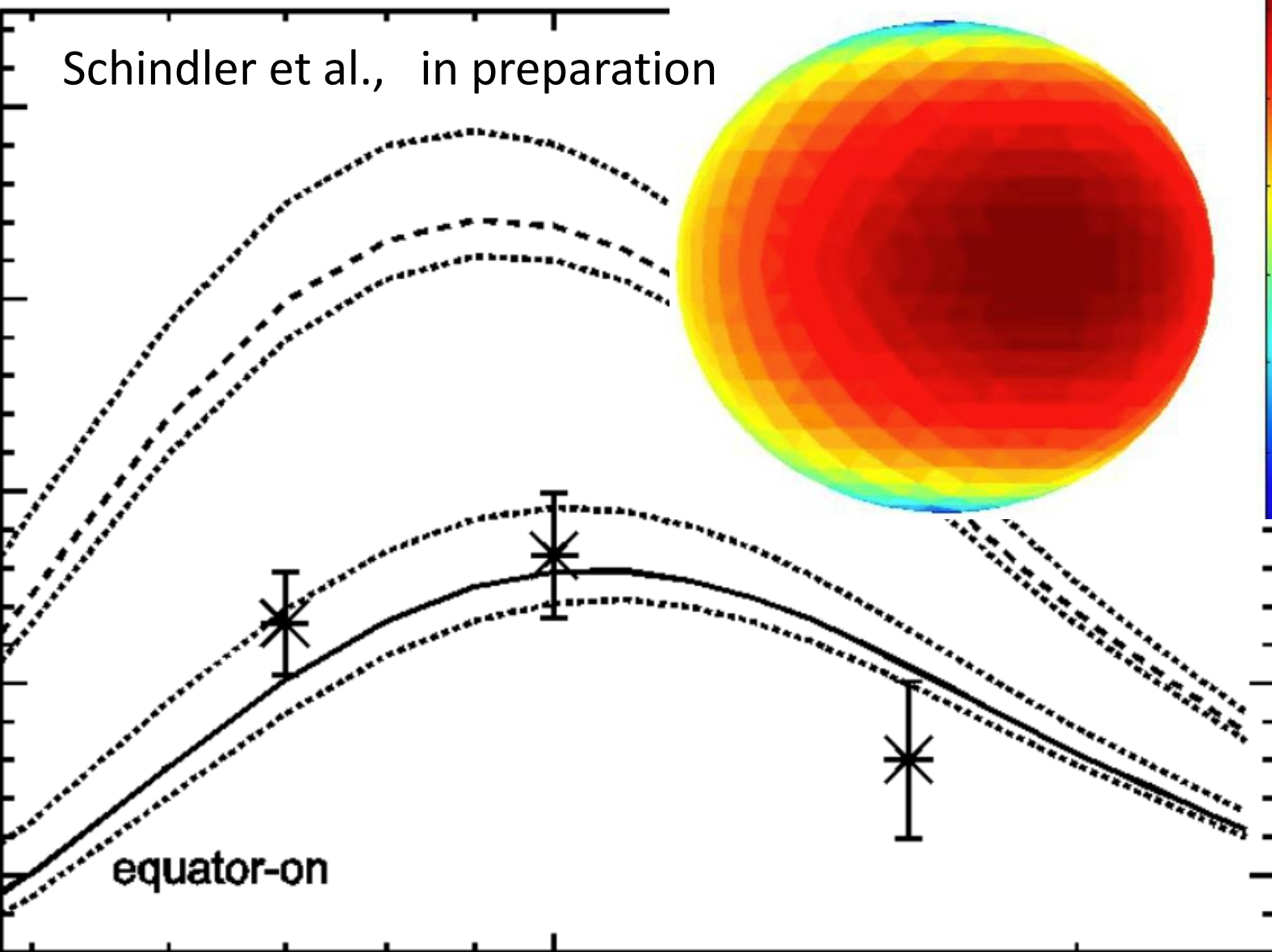
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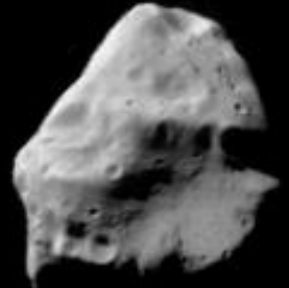
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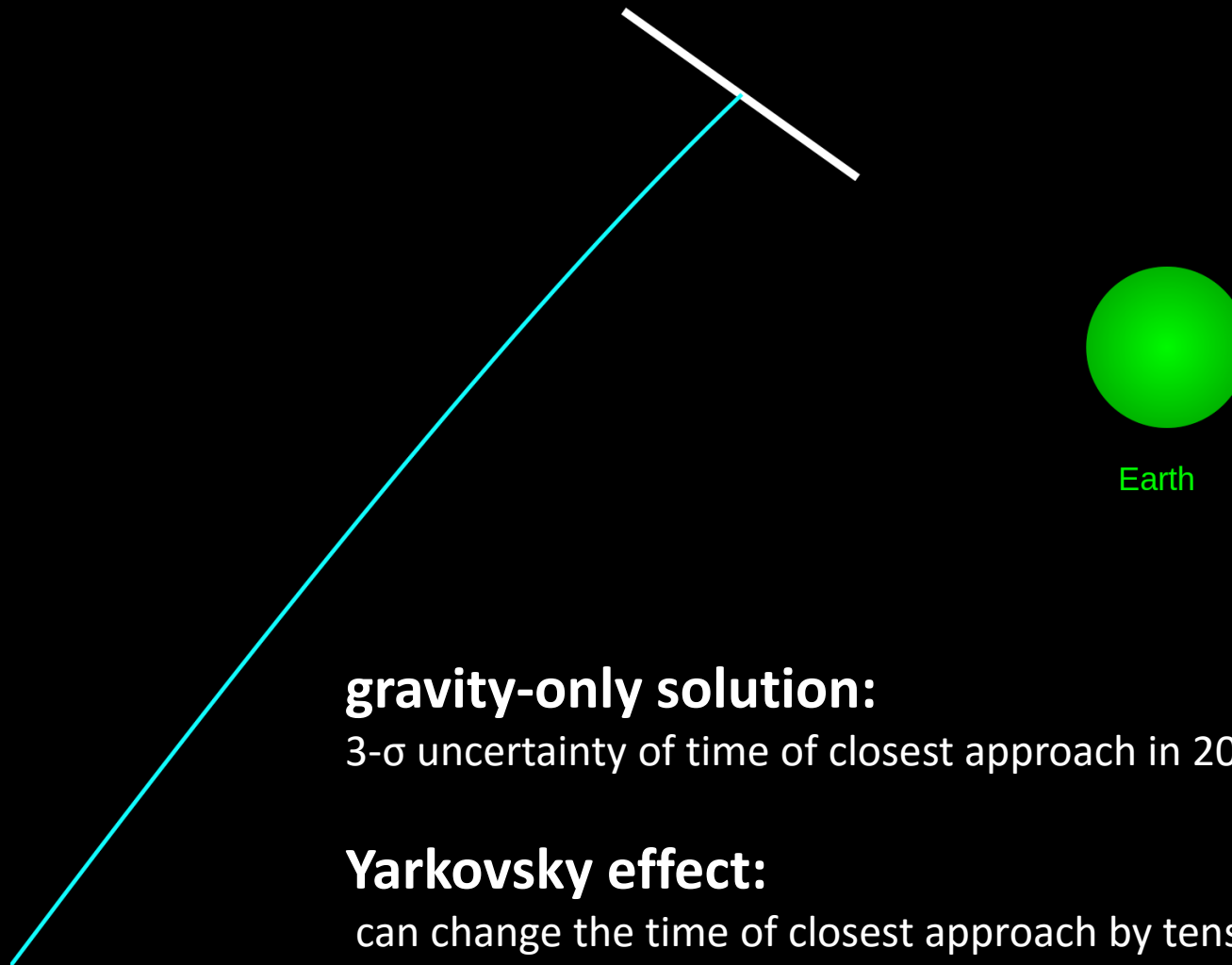


# Near-Earth asteroids

- Size & albedo
- thermal properties
- Yarkovsky (& YORP)
- long-term orbit calculations & impact risks
- interplanetary mission support
- ground truth from in-situ measurements



# Near-Earth asteroid 99942 Apophis: Friday Apr. 13, 2029



## **gravity-only solution:**

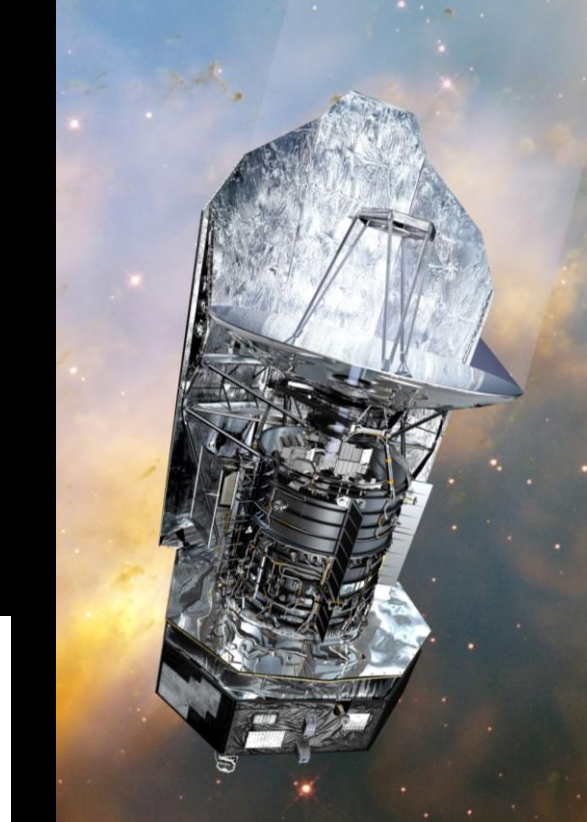
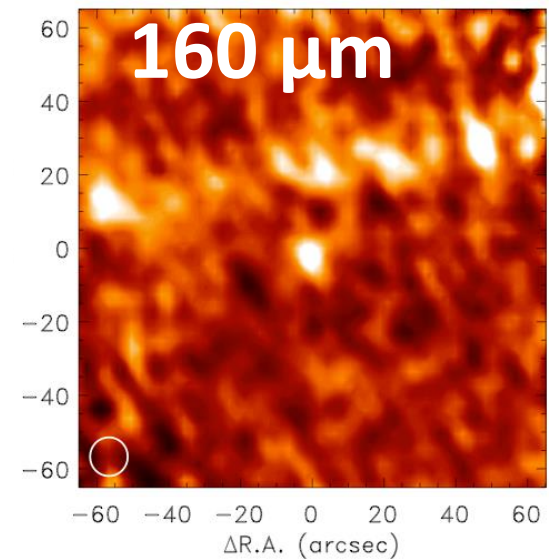
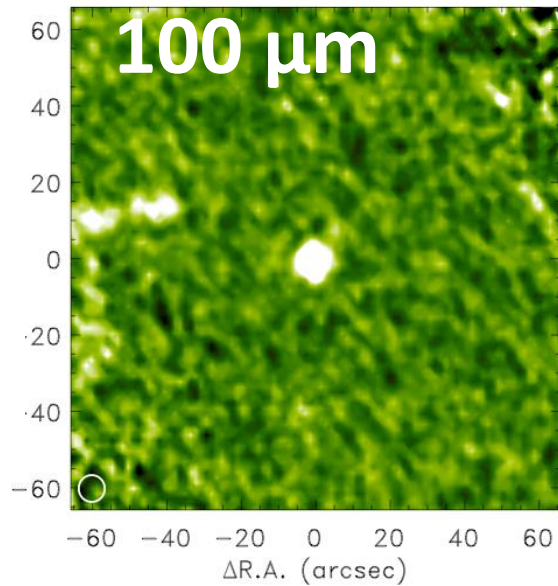
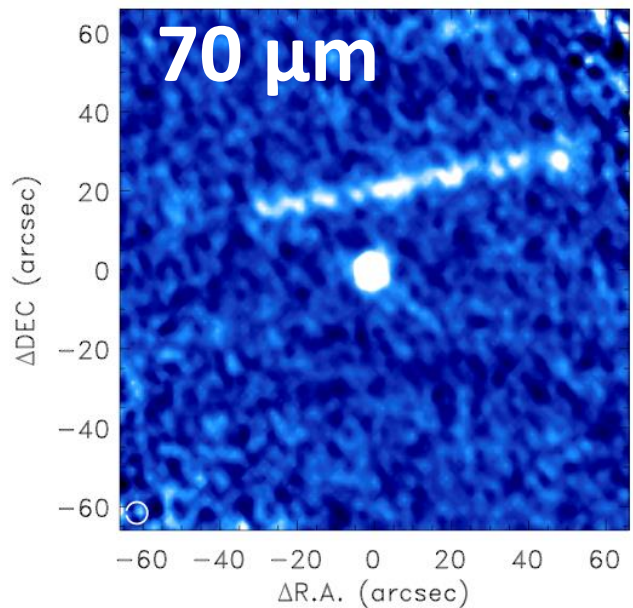
3- $\sigma$  uncertainty of time of closest approach in 2029 is about 1 sec

## **Yarkovsky effect:**

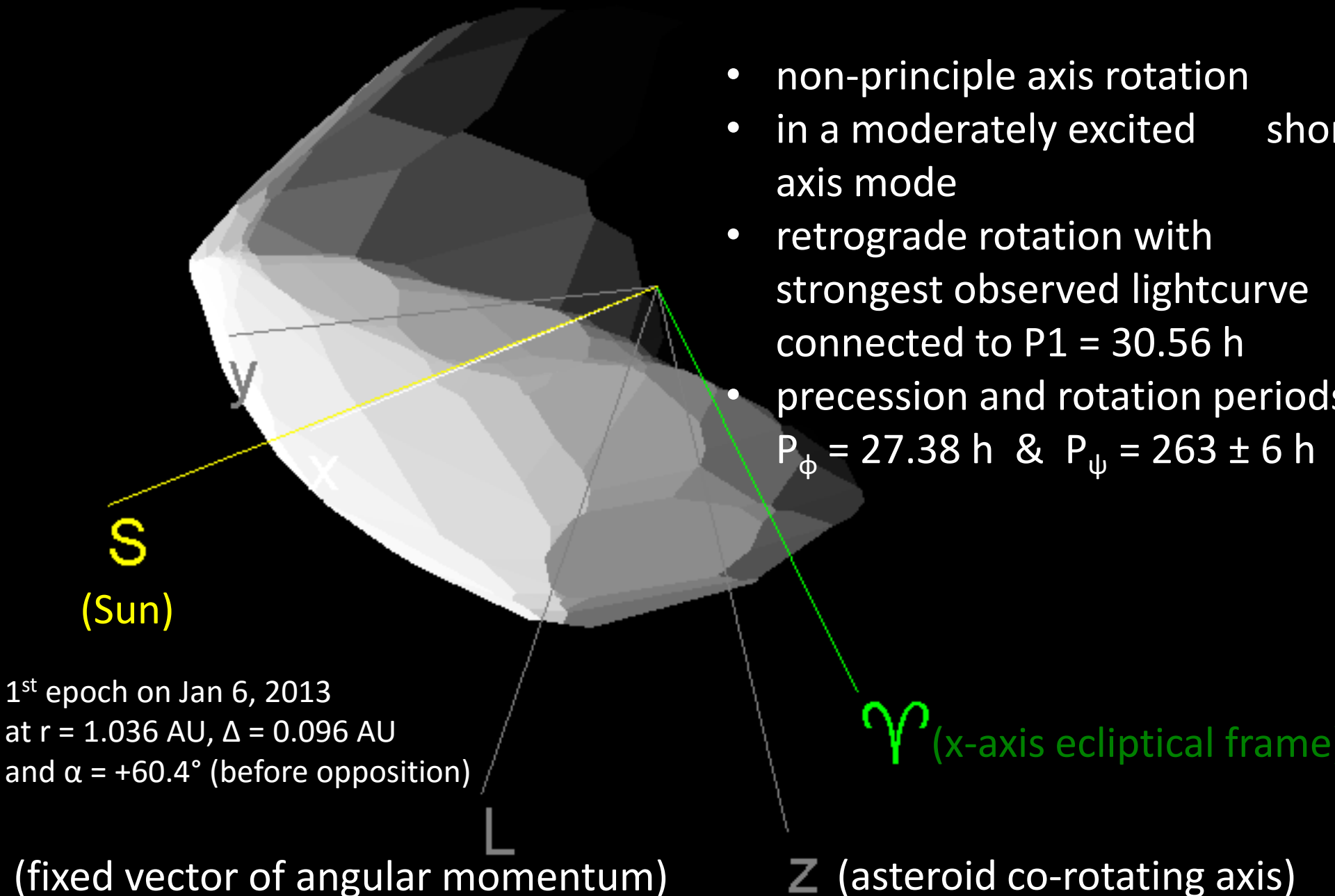
can change the time of closest approach by tens of seconds!  
(depending on size, mass, thermal & spin properties)

50000 km

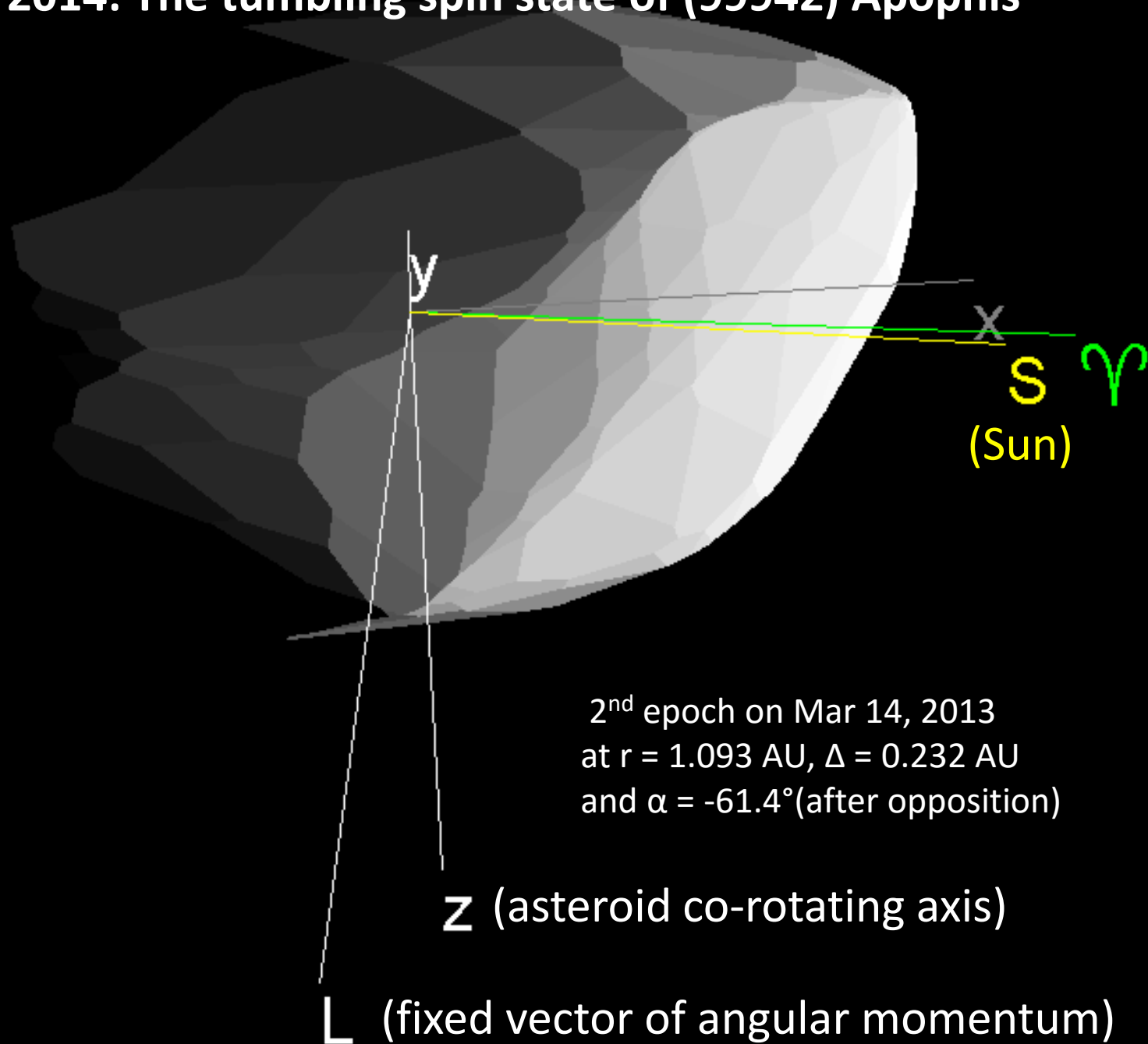
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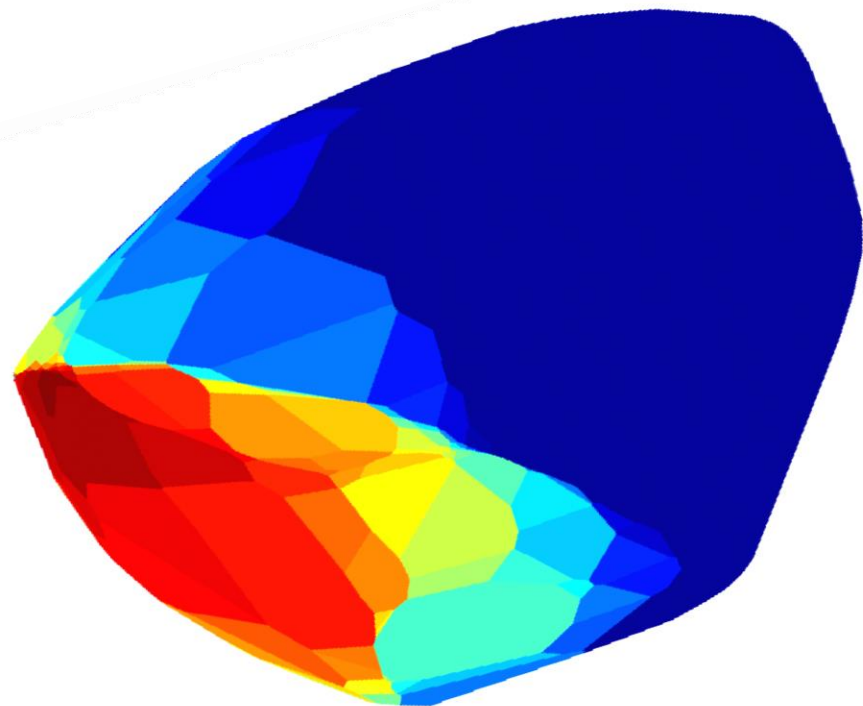


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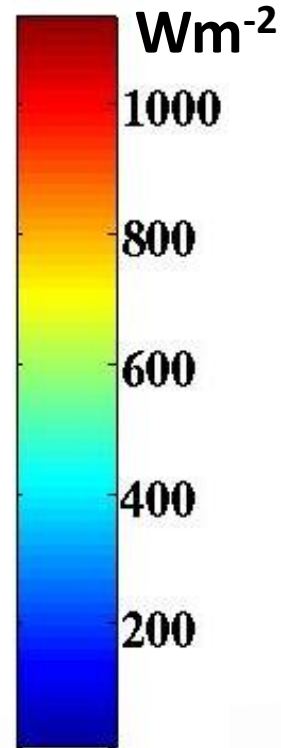


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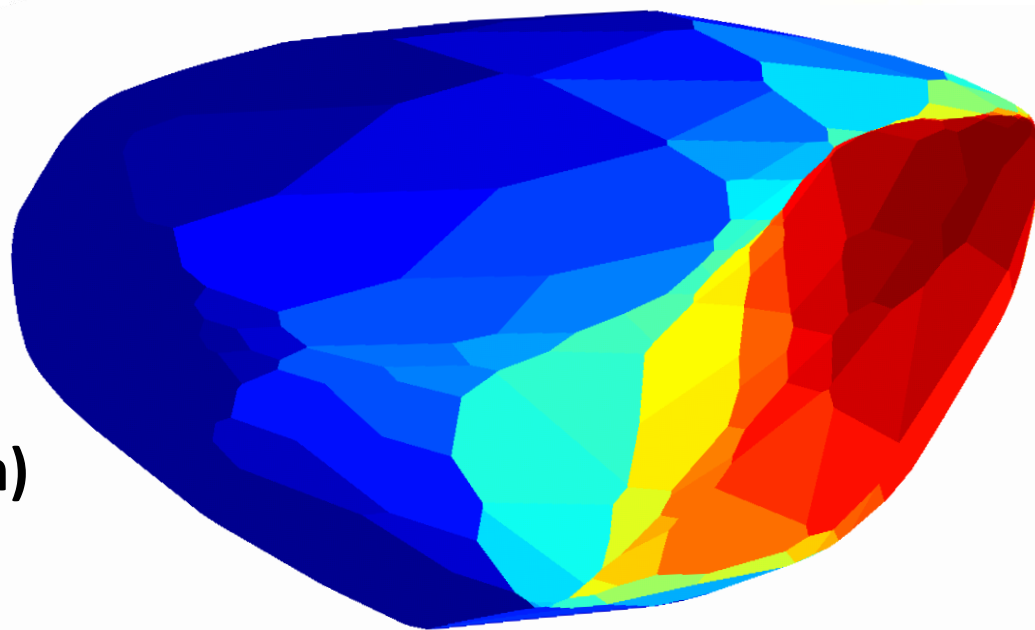




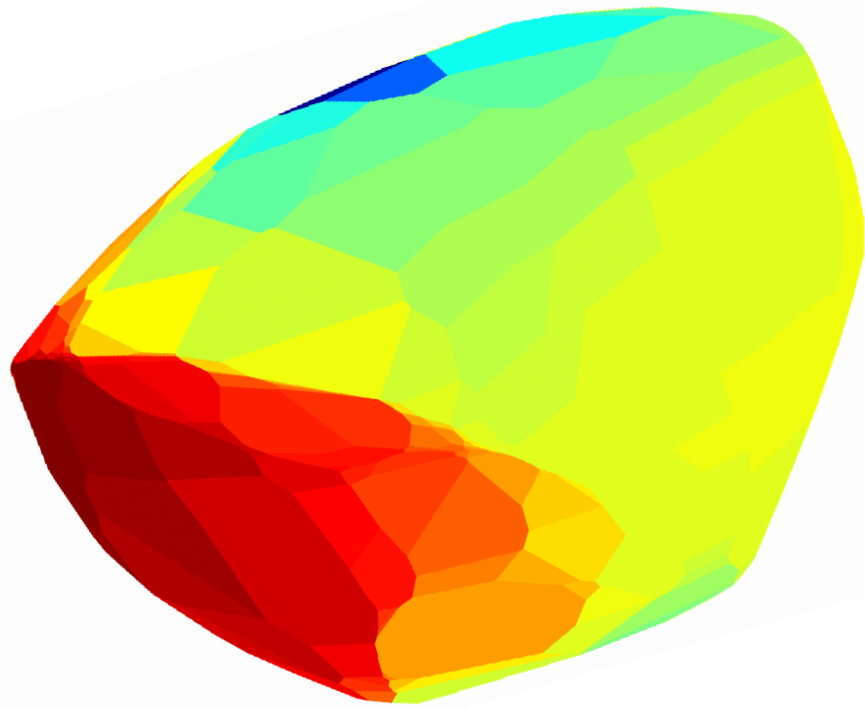
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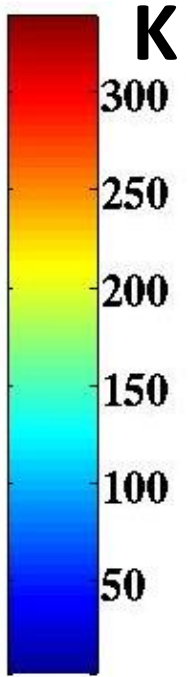
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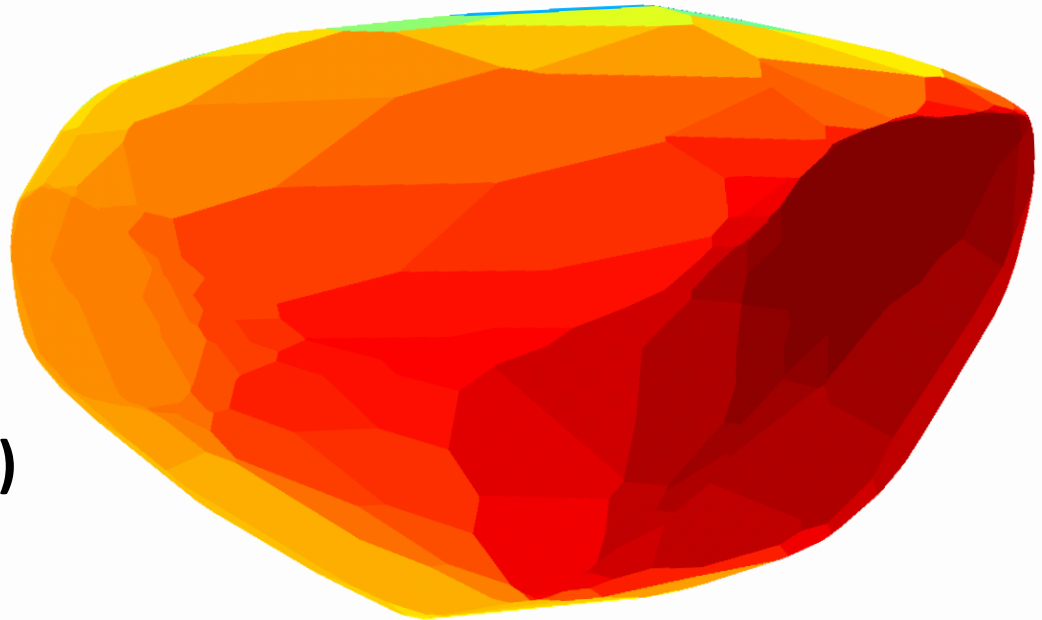




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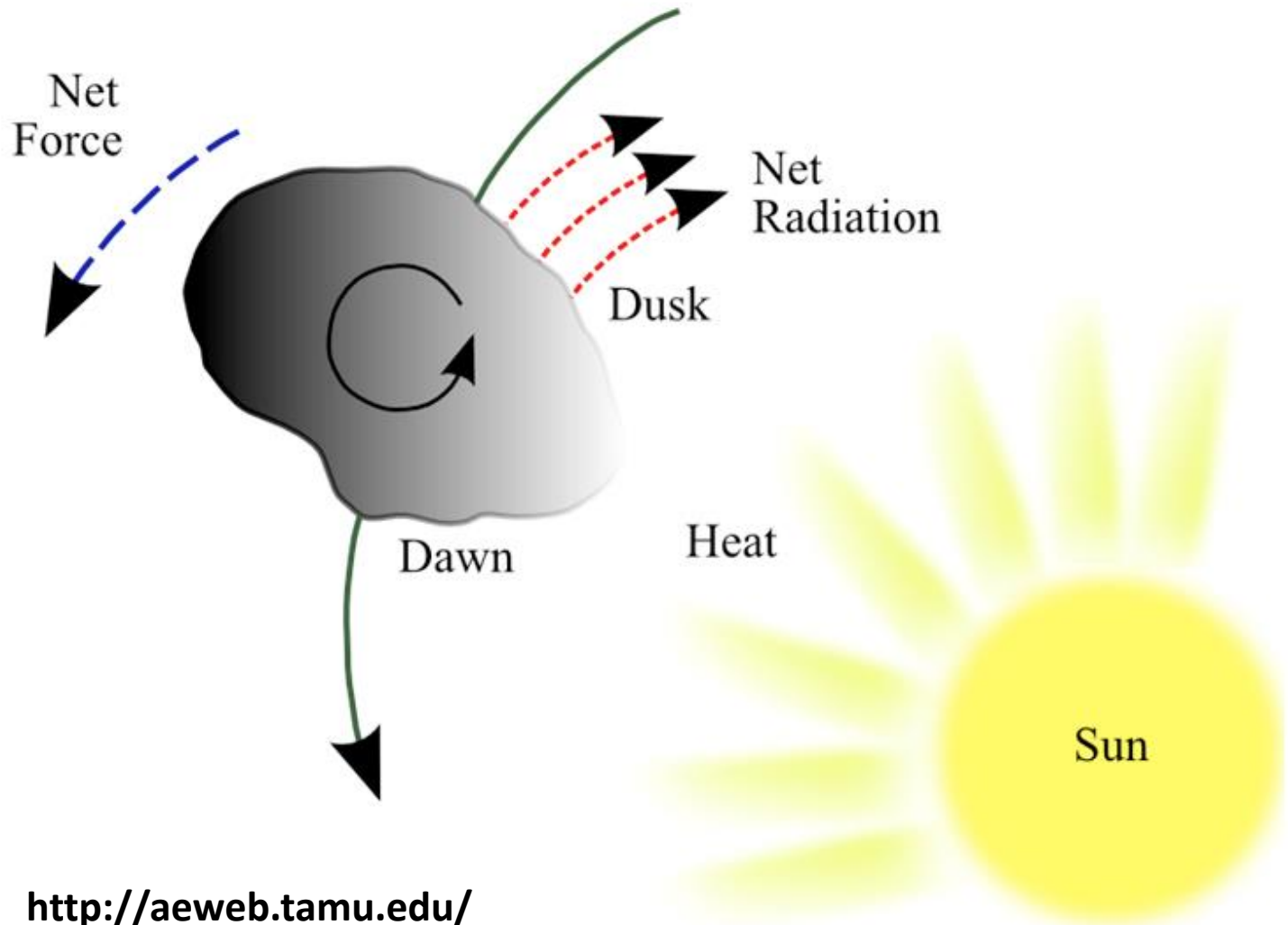




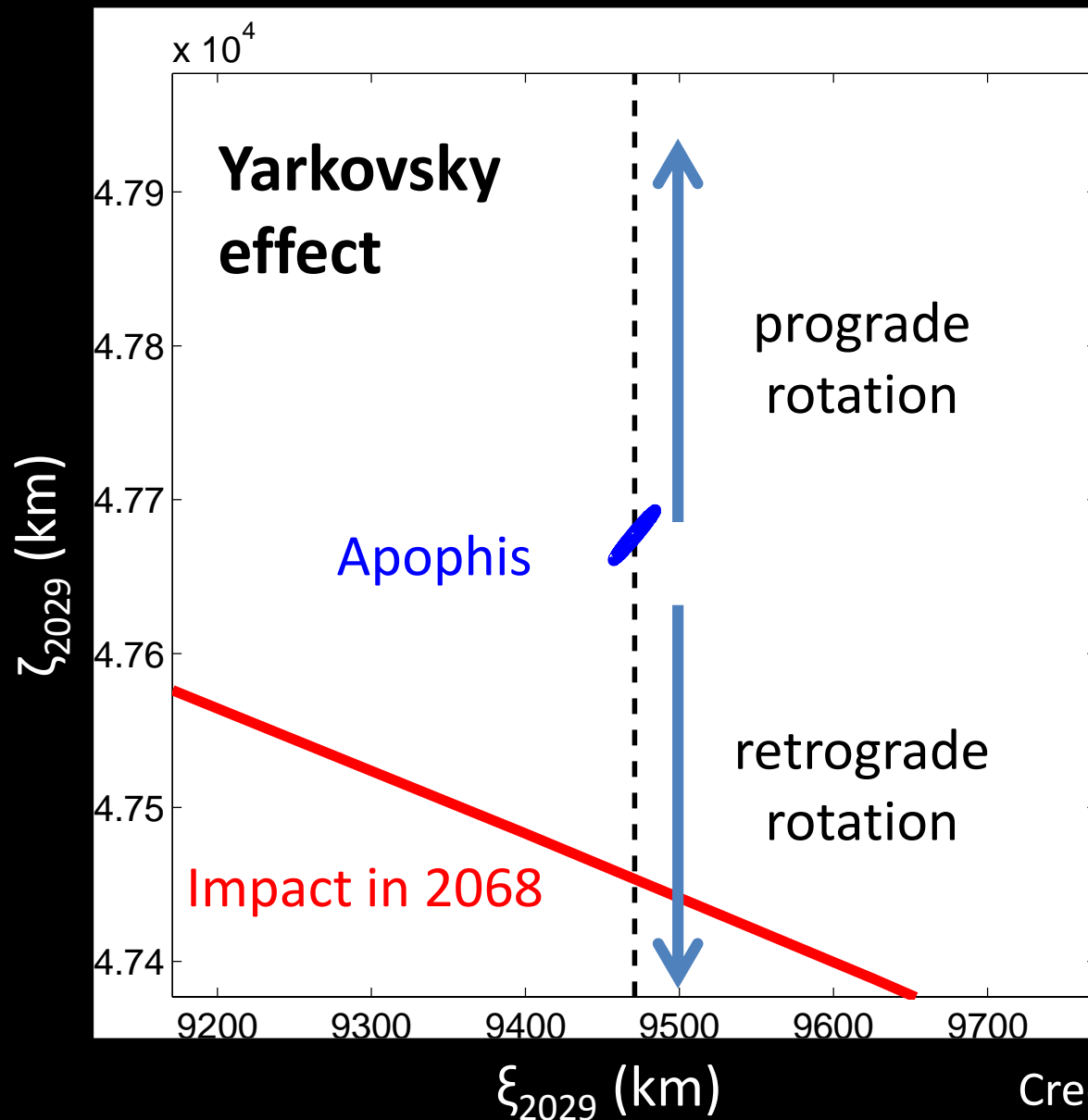
# **Apophis Summary** (Müller et al. 2014, A&A)

- radiometric (volume-equivalent) effective diameter of  $375^{+14}_{-10}$  m
- geometric V-band albedo  $p_V = 0.30^{+0.05}_{-0.06}$   
Bond albedo  $A = 0.14^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$
- thermal inertia  $\Gamma = 600^{+200}_{-350} \text{ Jm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-0.5}\text{K}^{-1}$
- mass  $(5.3 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{10} \text{ kg}$  (2-3 times higher than previous estimates)
- cohesionless structure is very likely (rubble pile)
- properties influence the calculations of the Yarkovsky effect and the impact probabilities

The Yarkovsky effect is dominating the final accuracy of orbit predictions of small bodies

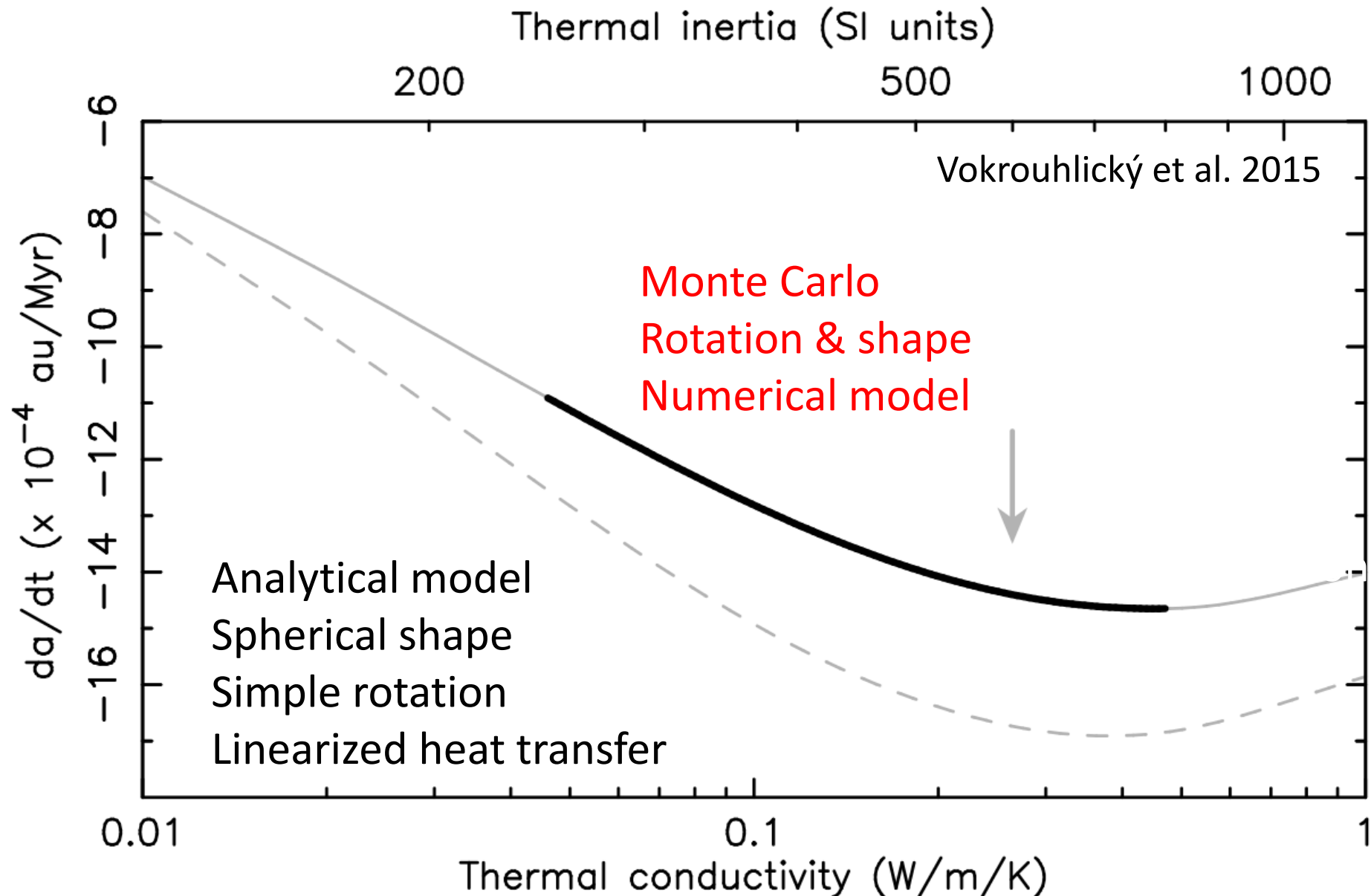


# Impact in 2068?

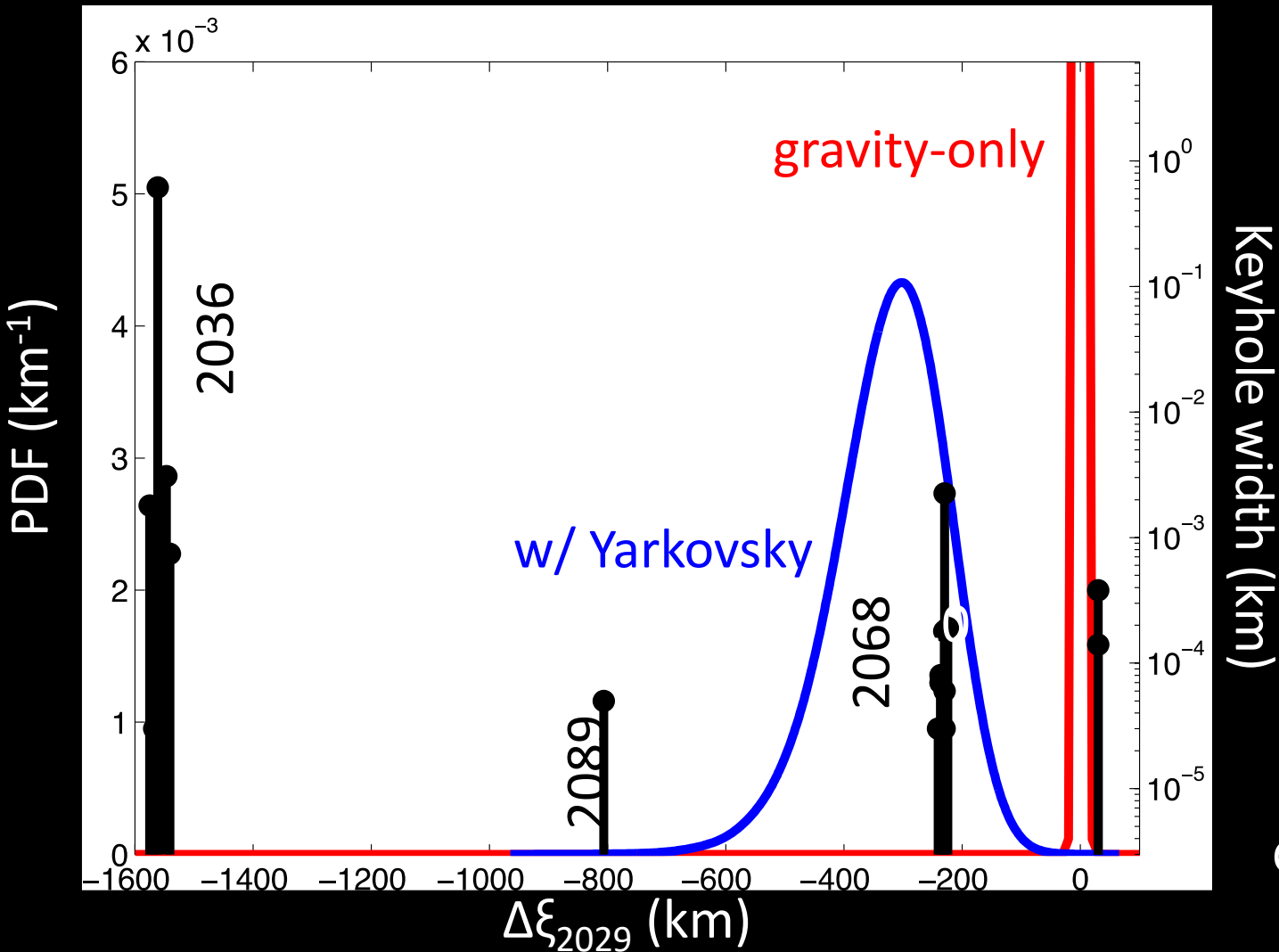


Credit: D. Farnocchia

# secular drift of semimajor axis (TI)



# Hazard assessment



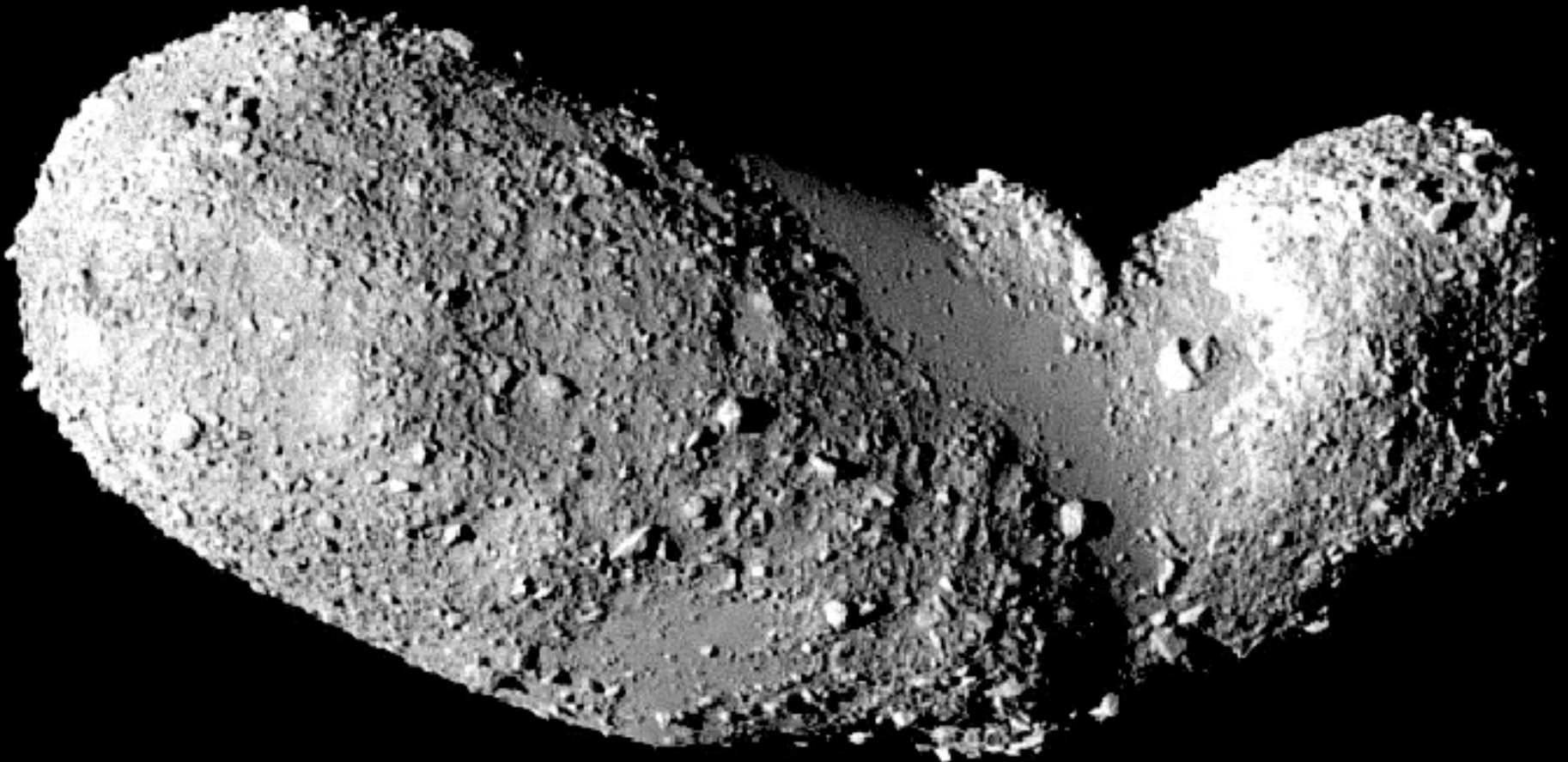
Year	IP $\times 10^6$
2060	0.1
2065	0.3
2068	6.7
2076	0.5
2077	0.2
2078	0.2
2091	0.2
2103	0.5

Credit: D. Farnocchia

Collision with Earth before 2060 is ruled out, impacts are still possible after 2060 with probabilities up to a few parts in a million!

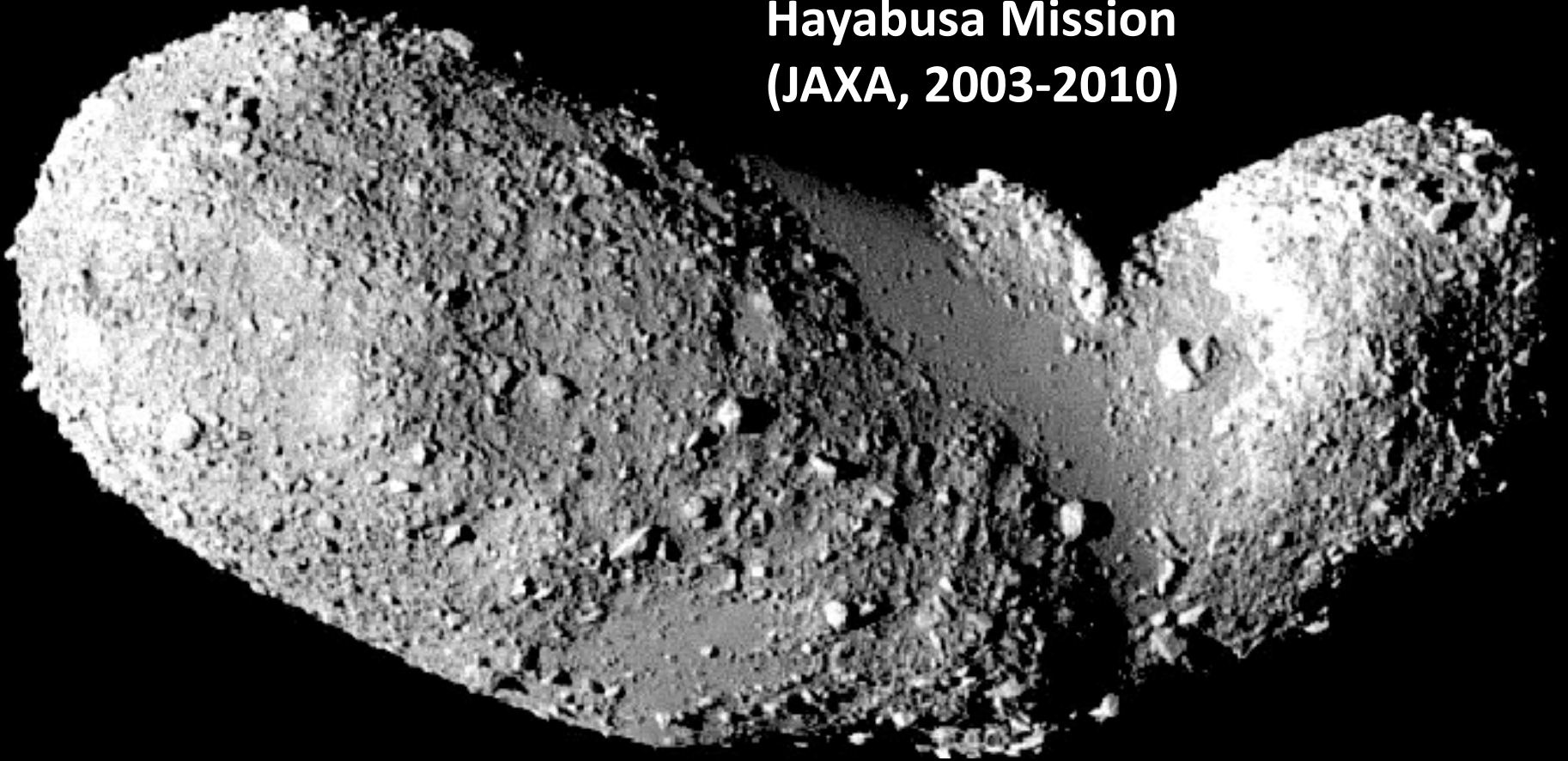
(Vokrouhlický et al. 2015)

**Near-Earth asteroid 25143 Itokawa:  
rubble-pile structure,  $\rho = 1.9 \text{ gcm}^{-3}$**



**Hayabusa Mission  
(JAXA, 2003-2010)**

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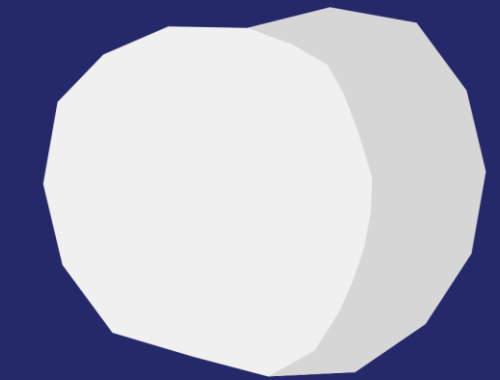


Radar eff. size (Ostro et al. 2001, 2004, 2005):	364 m ( $\pm 10\%$ )
Radiometric eff. size (Müller et al. 2005):	$320 \pm 30$ m
In-situ eff. size (Demura et al. 2006):	$327.5 \pm 5.5$ m

(25143) Itokawa: The power of radiometric techniques for the interpretation of remote thermal observations in the light of the Hayabusa rendezvous results: Müller, Hasegawa, Usui, PASJ 66 (2014)



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**A benchmark study for selected  
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# Summary

## Small body thermophysical modeling

- asteroid thermal measurements started in the early 70<sup>th</sup>
  - big IR surveys: IRAS, AKARI, (NEO)WISE
  - IR space observatories: ISO, AKARI, Spitzer, Herschel
  - ground-based data (N-/Q-band, submm/mm/cm)
- information about size, shape, spin properties, albedo, thermal inertia, surface roughness, grain sizes
- thermal model techniques can be tested against ground-truth from spacecraft visits, direct measurements (HST, occultations, adaptive optics), or against radar signals
- thermal properties influence the non-gravitational effects: Yarkovsky orbit drifts, YORP spin changes
- radiative heating produces space weathering effects (thermal cracking, thermal metamorphism, subsurface ice sublimation)