

Status of CFEPS, Kuiper Belt Science with CFHTLS Very Wide

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(Please look at the notes. All informations are there)

Status of CFHTLS-VW Kuiper Belt (1)

Sem.	Time (hrs)	
03A	16.3	
03B	16.3	
04A	19.6	
04B	37.4	
05A	43.0	Ramp down begins
05B	22.2	
06A	18.7	
06B	(~25)	Already have 9
07A	(~10)	
07B	(~4)	

- About 25 hrs of VW remain to be observed, or 4 nights.
- As of Sept. 2006 VW has completed Discovery/Checkup and 1st year recoveries
- Now doing 2nd year recoveries (on targeted patches). Requirement is about 50% the exposure time required for discovery/nailing.

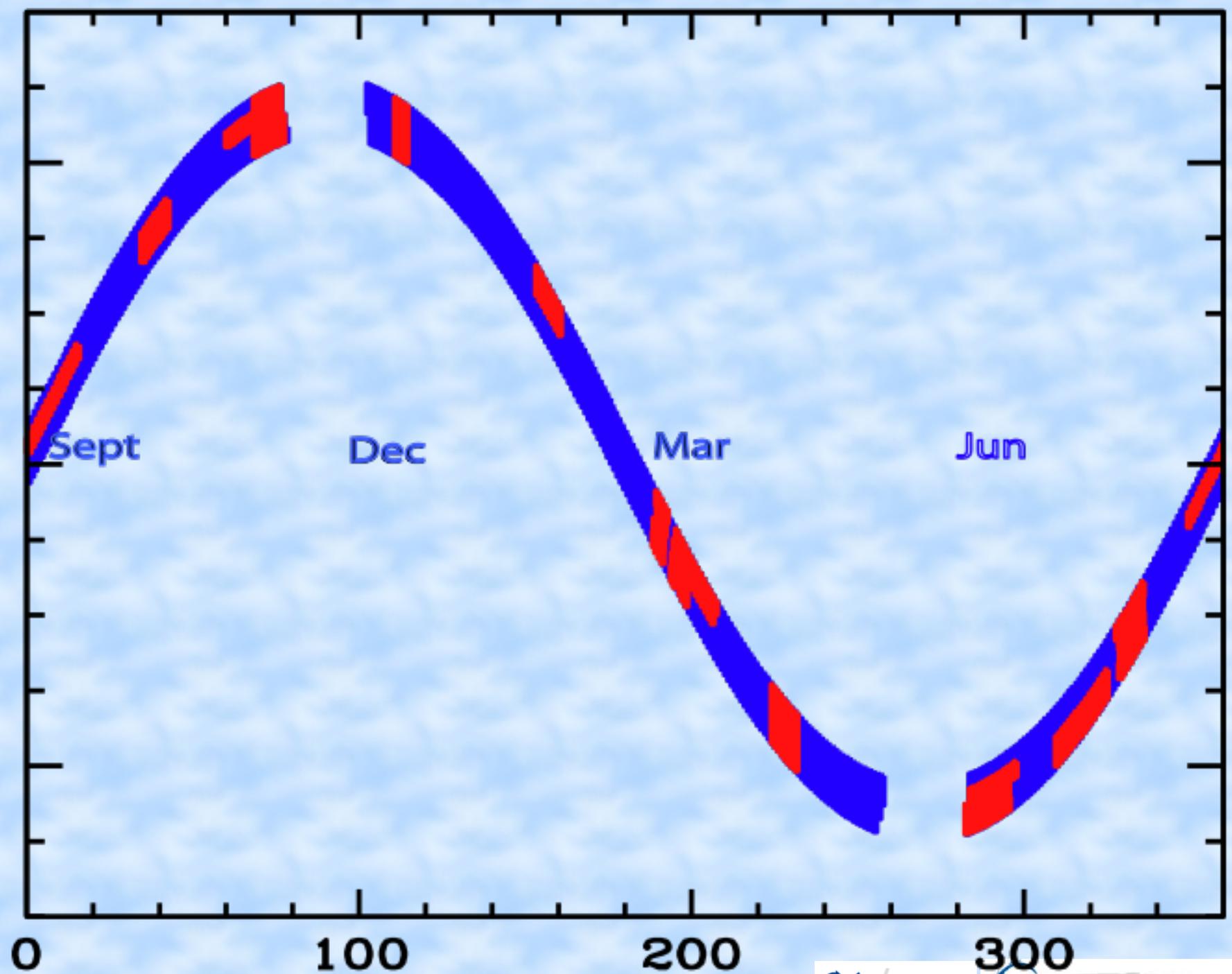
Status of CFHTLS-VW Kuiper Belt (2)

- Very Wide (ecliptic): initially supposed to have 22% of the time
- ~400 sq.deg. of discoveries close to the Ecliptic
 - compare with 1300 sq.deg. in the initial plan
- ~310 sq.deg. of good, fully useable data: correct time sequence, away from the galactic plane
 - currently over 400 objects discovered in CFHTLS
 - 250 characterised objects

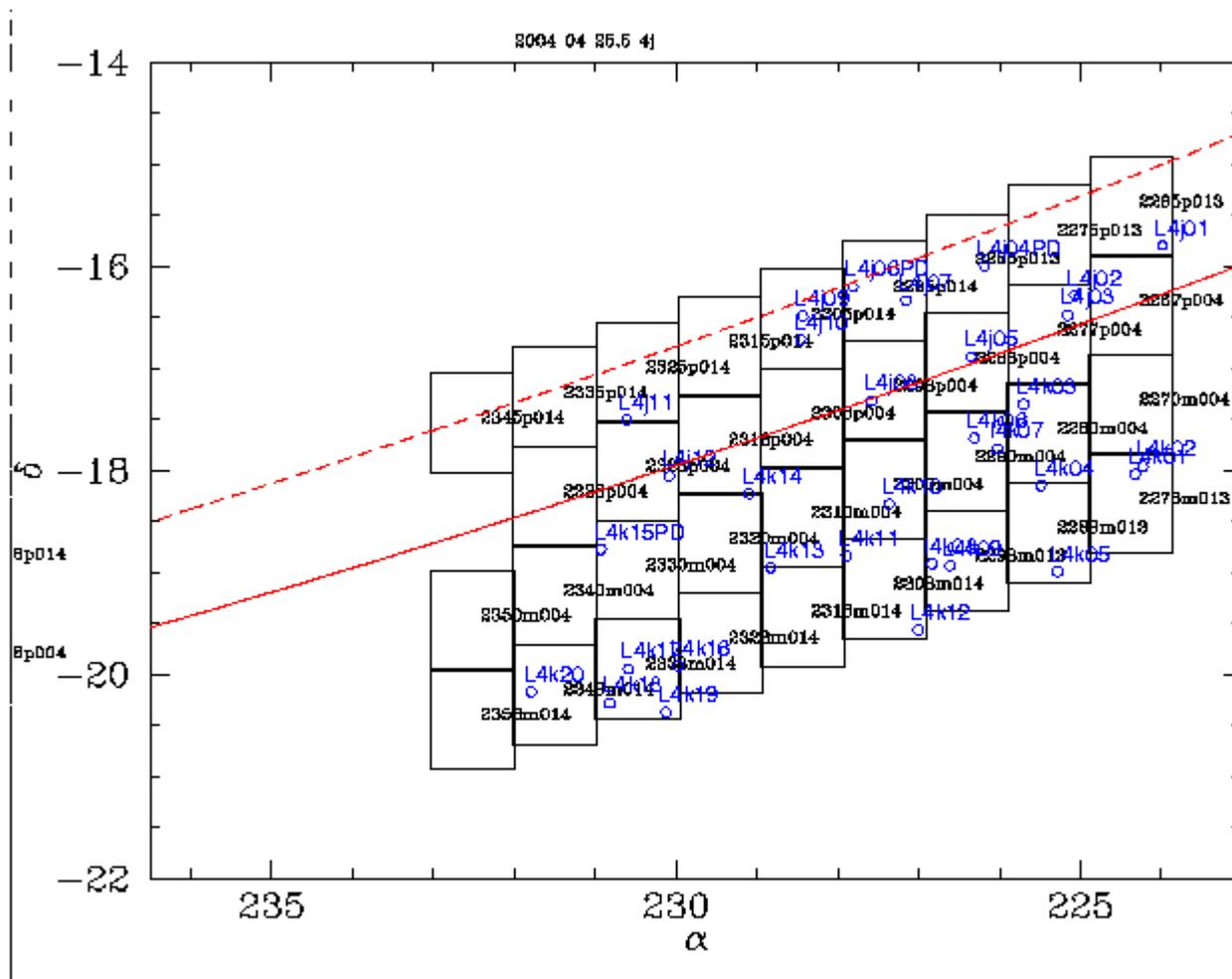
Status of CFHTLS-VW Kuiper Belt (3)

- Patchy coverage:
 - small amount of sky covered
 - creates a lot of problems for object tracking
 - so we are far behind in processing the data
- Still the largest fully characterized survey for KBOs up to now
- But is it worth it ?
 - Compare with a Large Programme spanning 4 semesters
 - 4 nights/semester for discovery and follow-up
 - same results as for 2003 CFHTLS discoveries and follow-up
 - far less effort

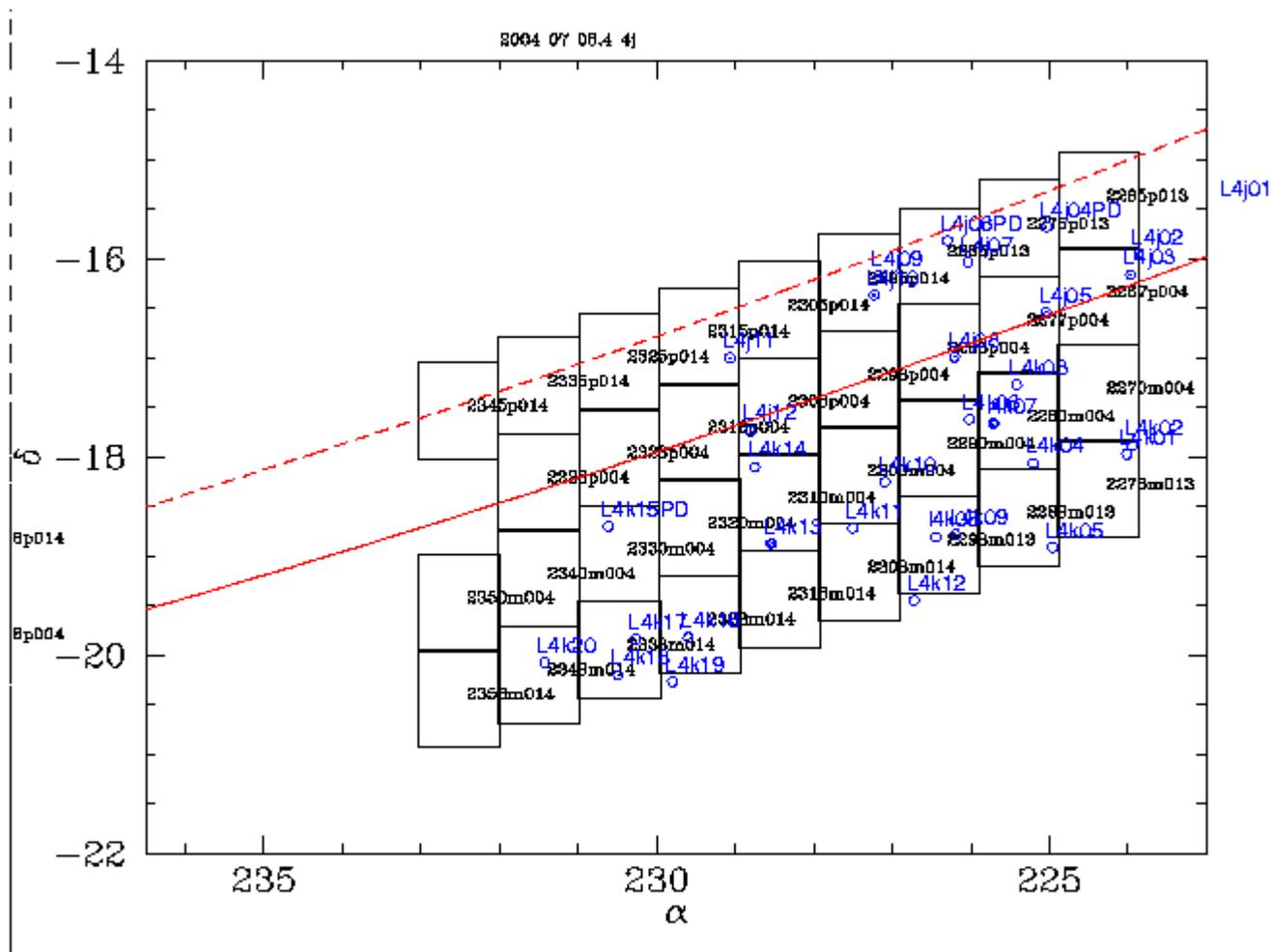
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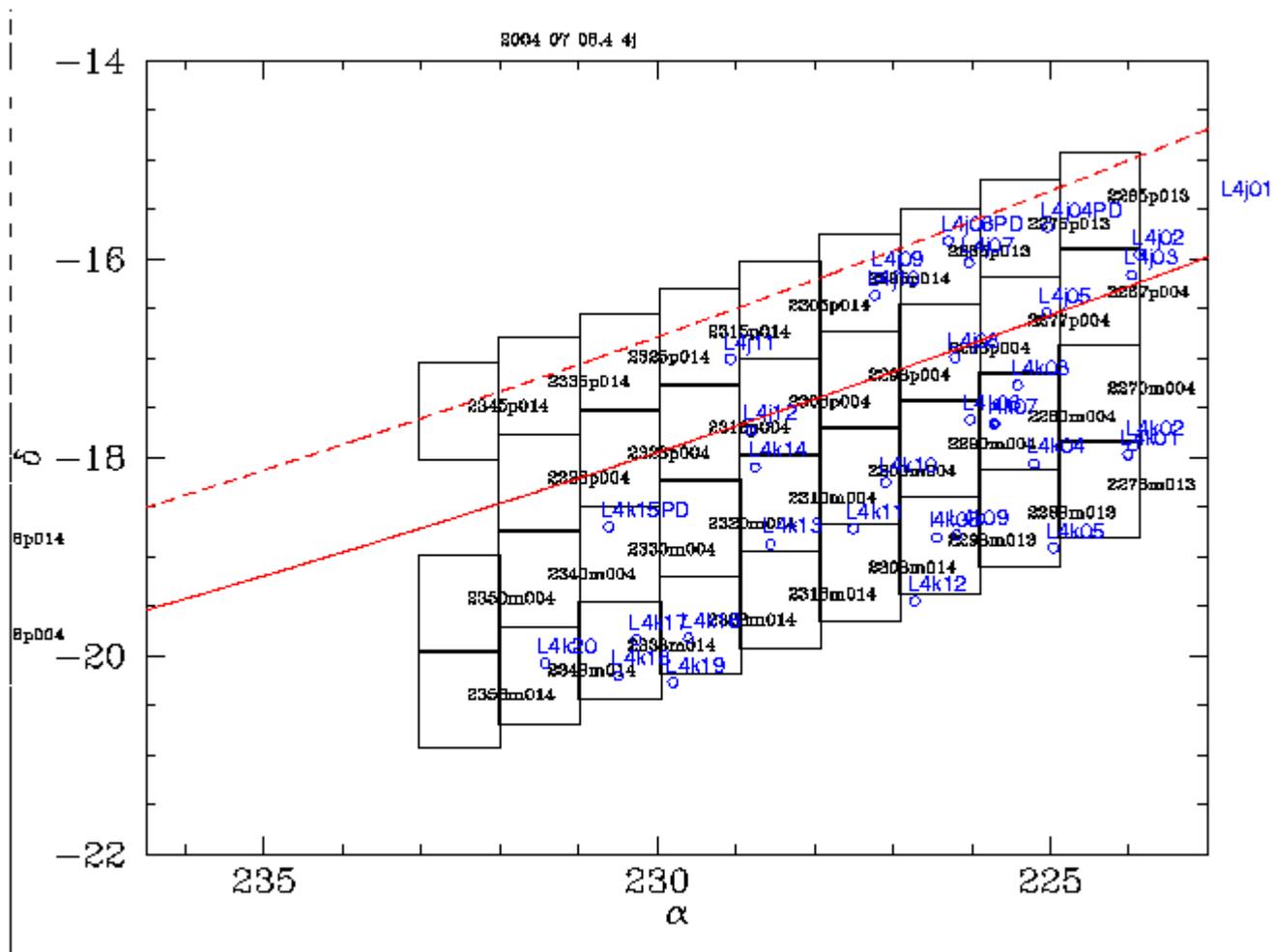
Discovery, 2 blocks



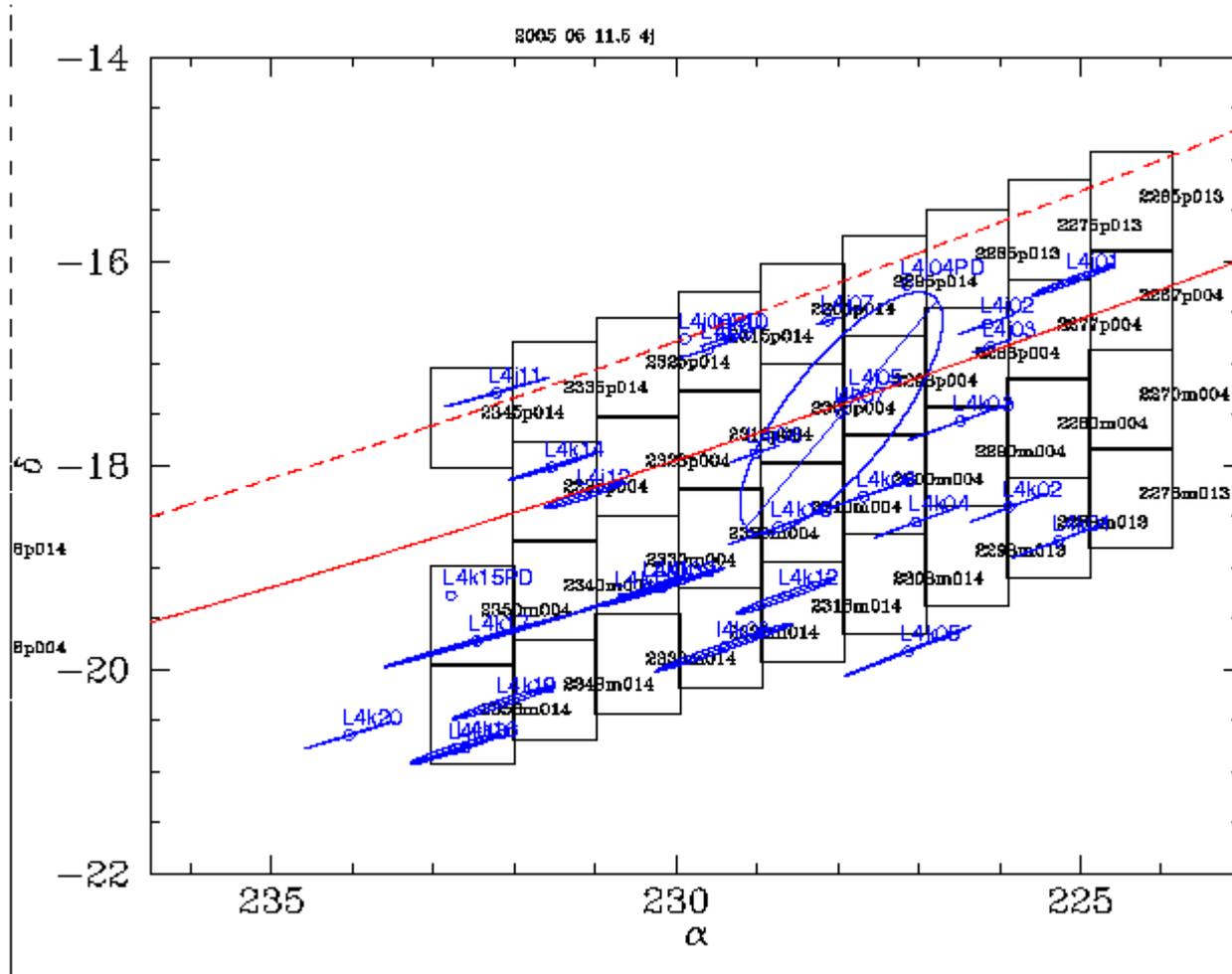
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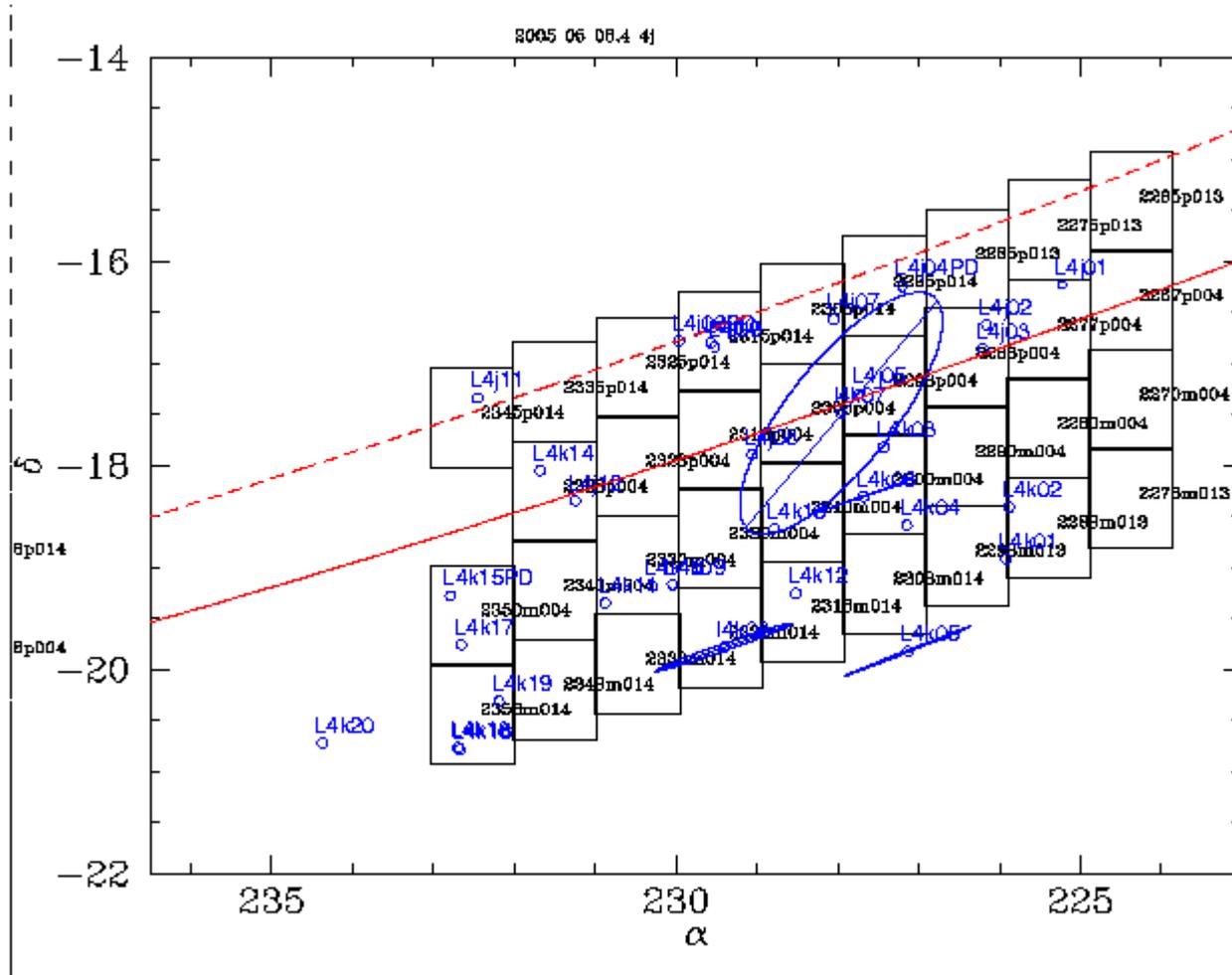
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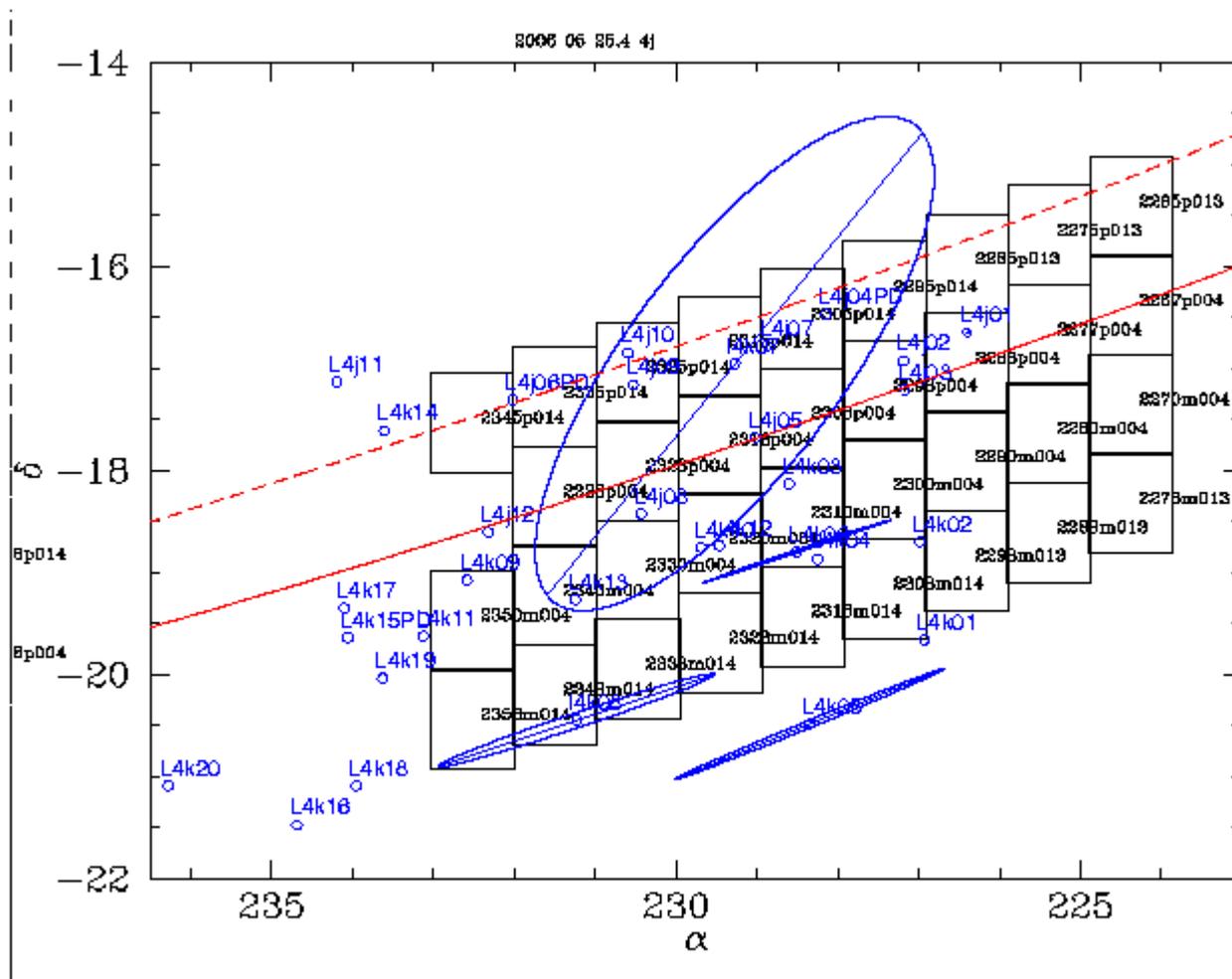
Before 1 year



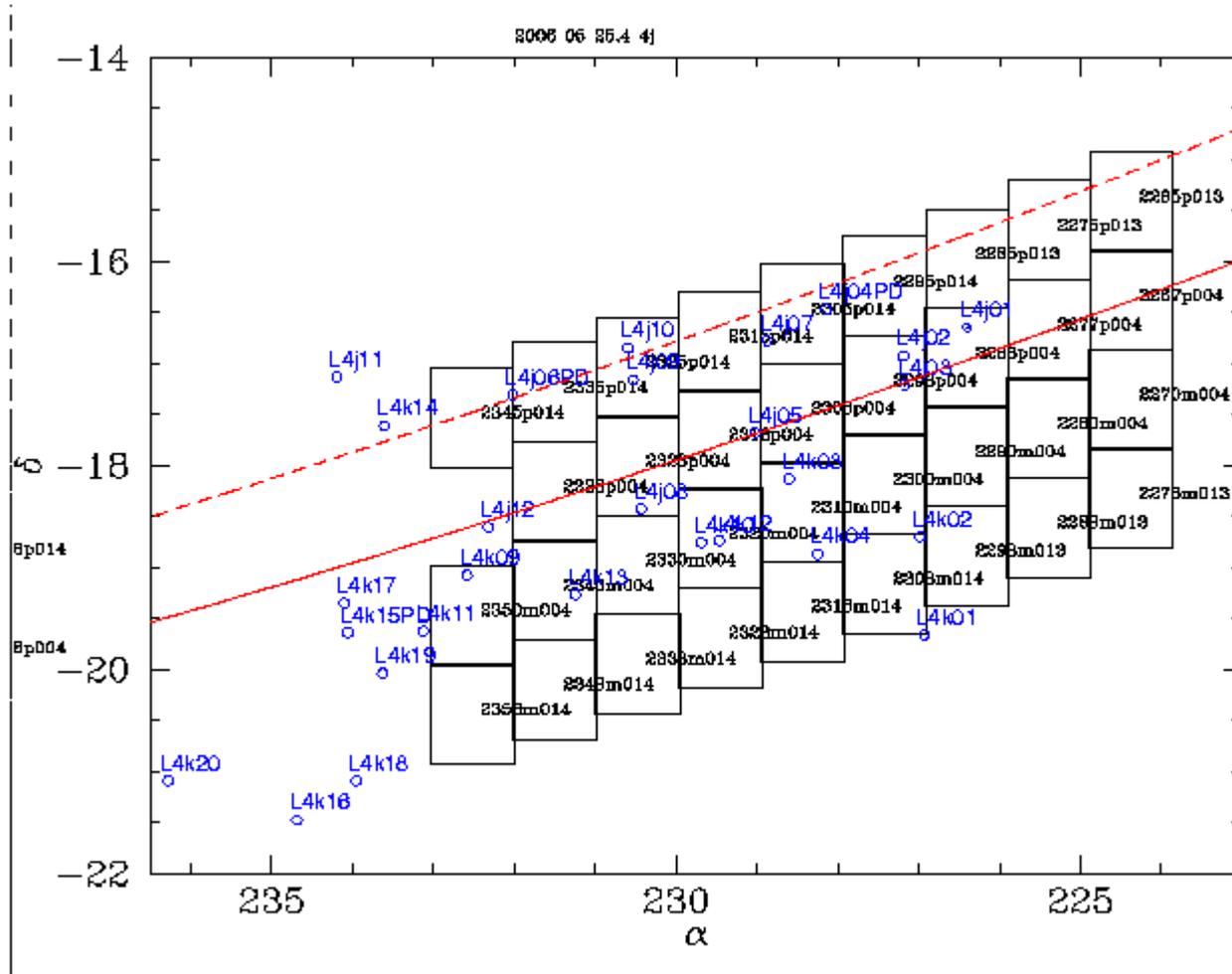
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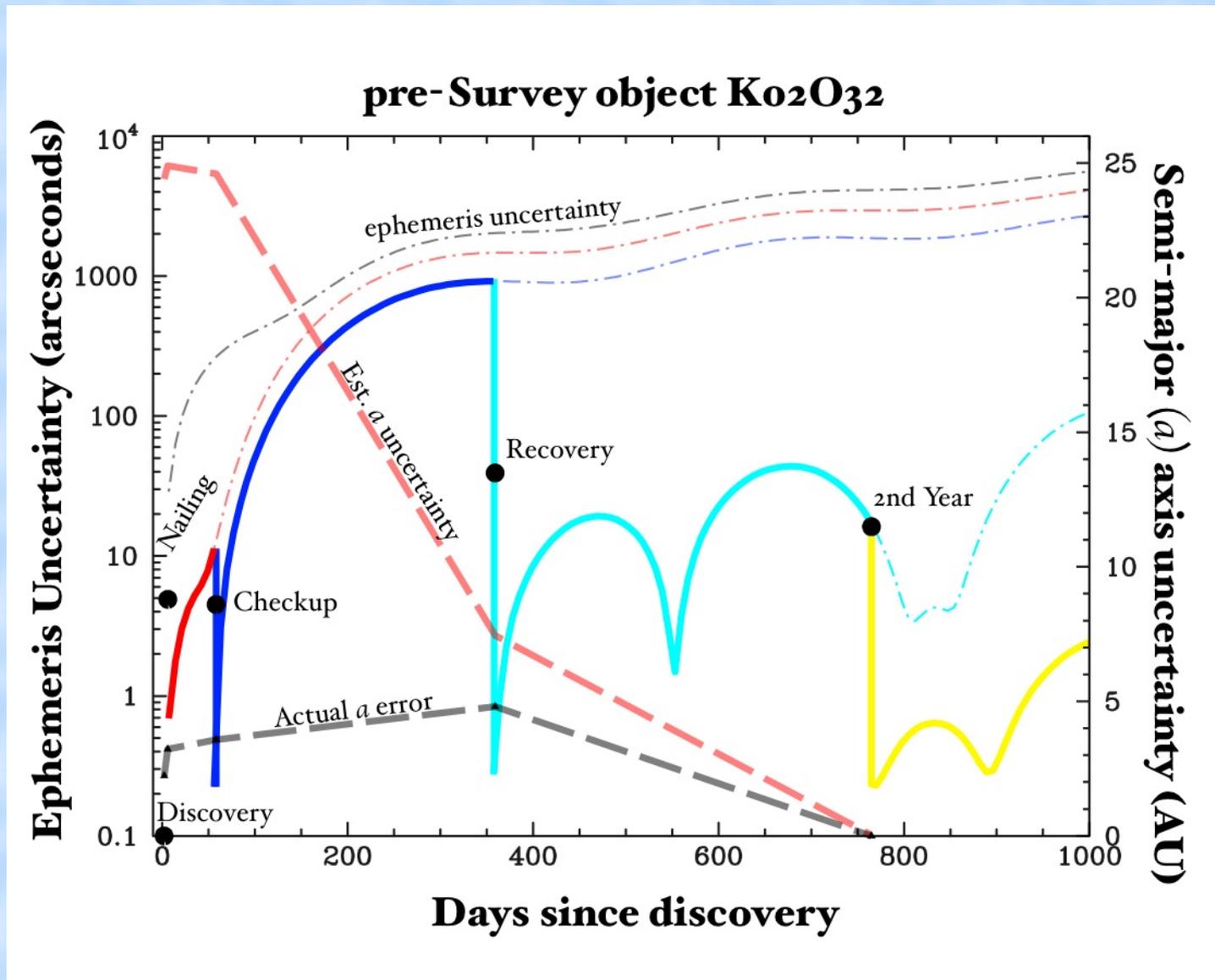
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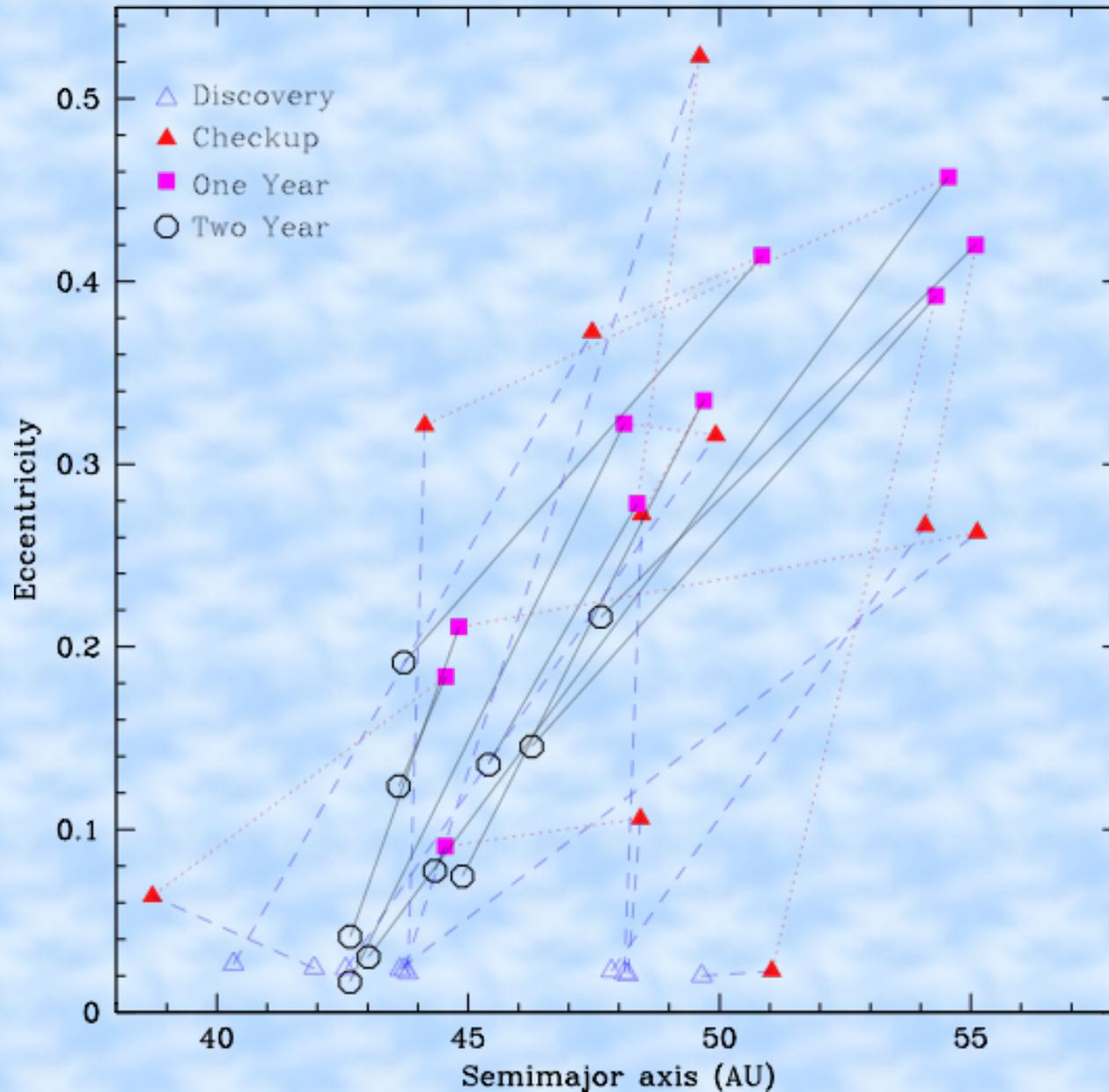
Keeping the « Tracked » objects

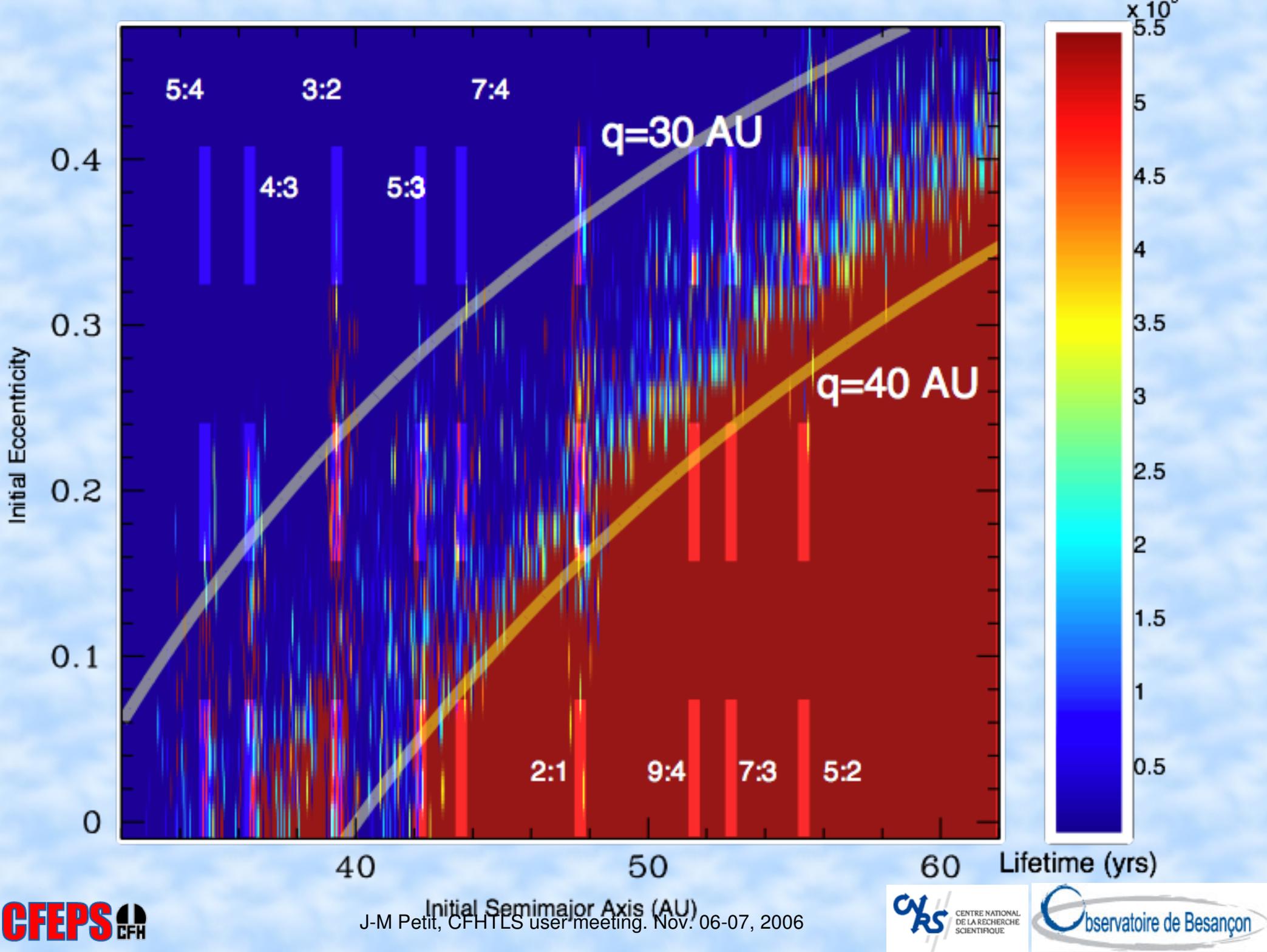


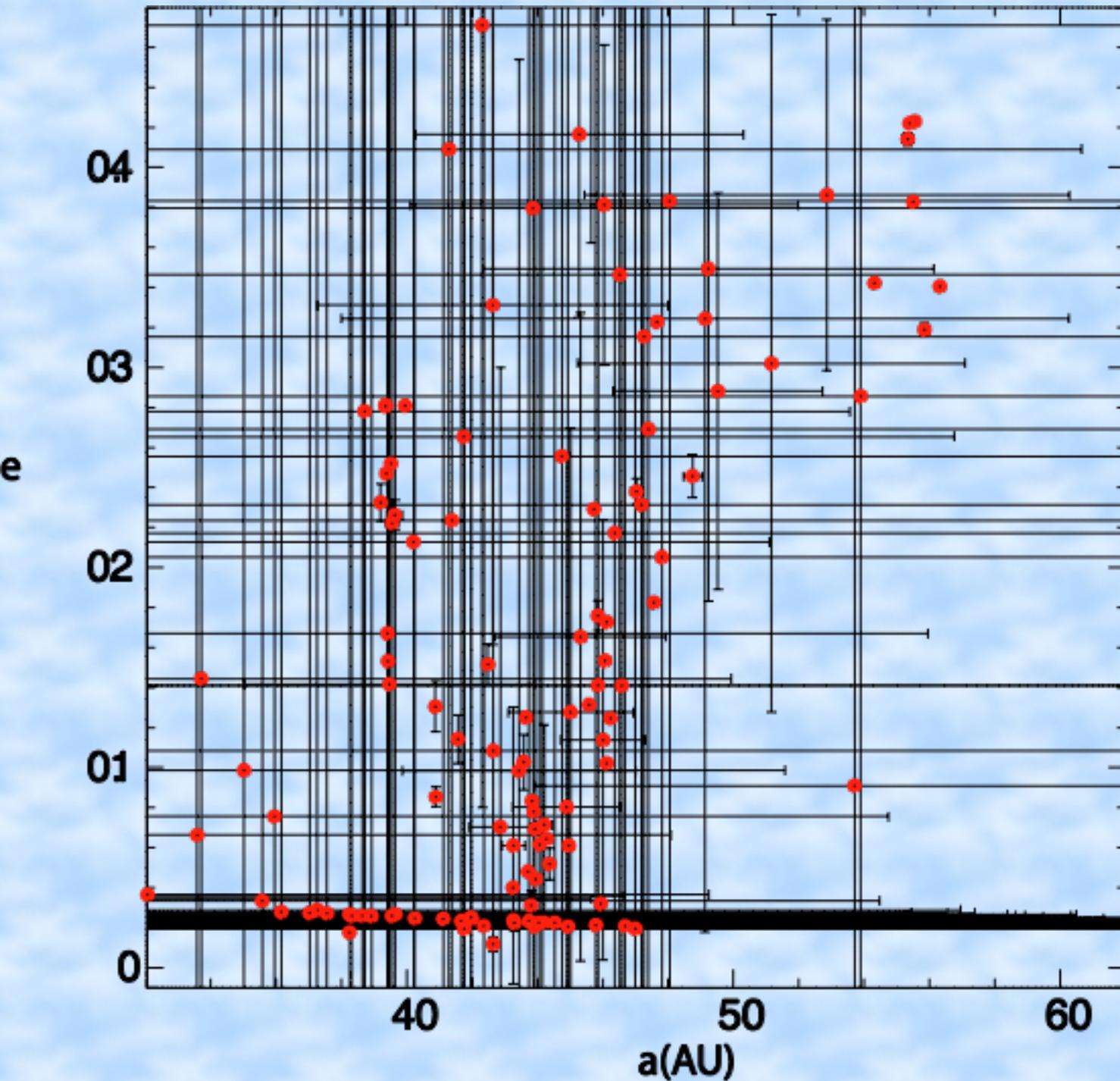
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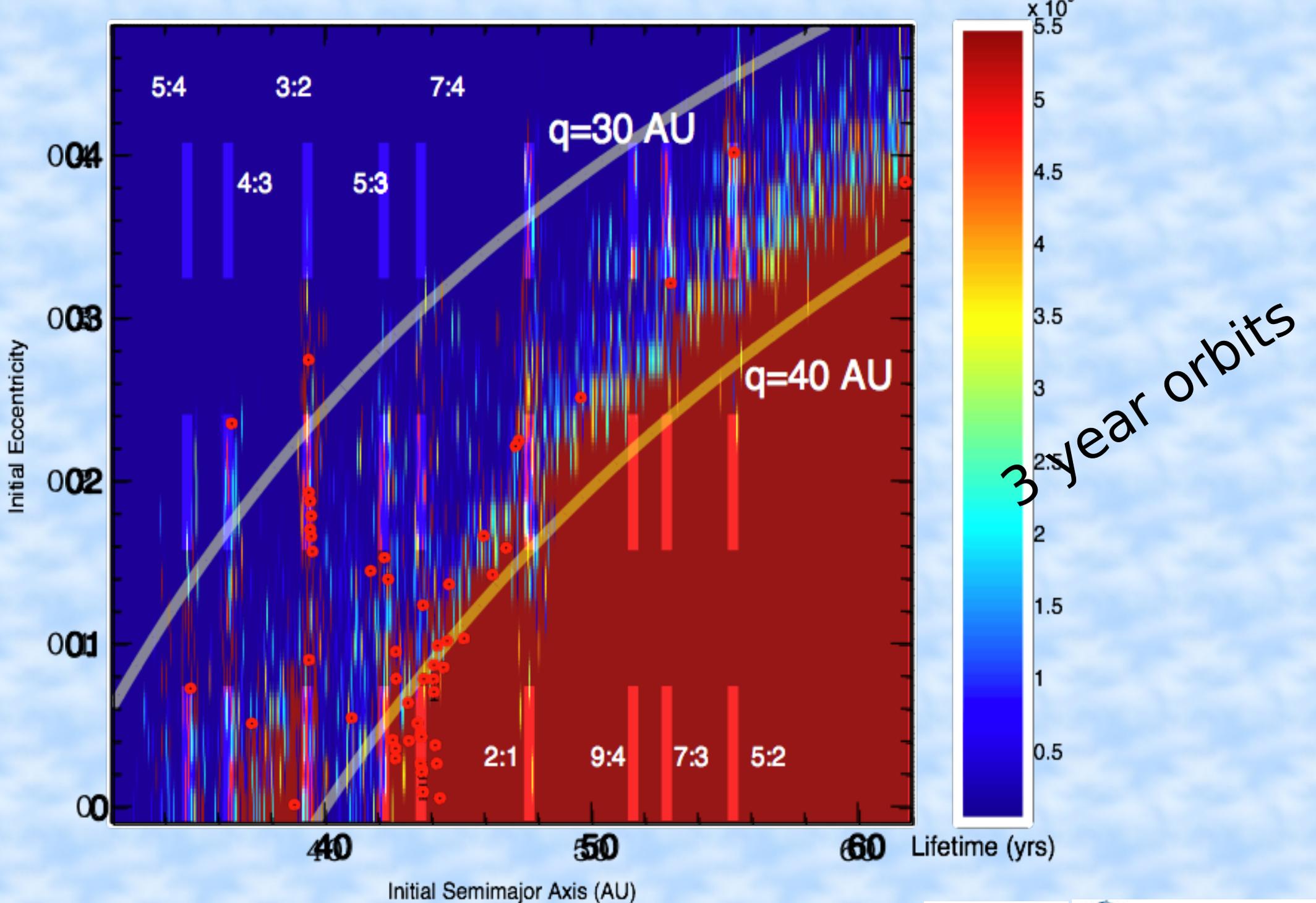
Noticed, [as expected]







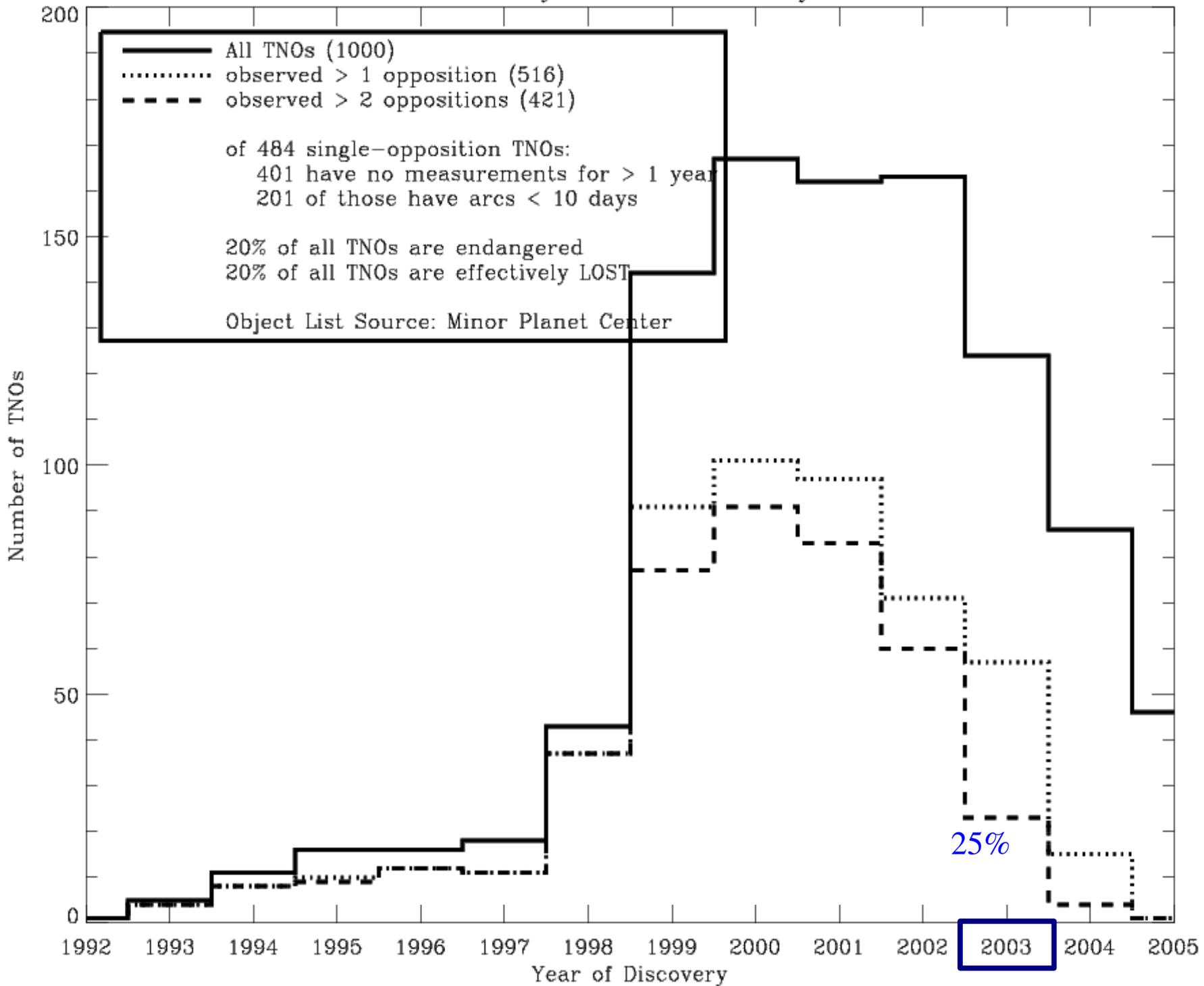
1 year orbits



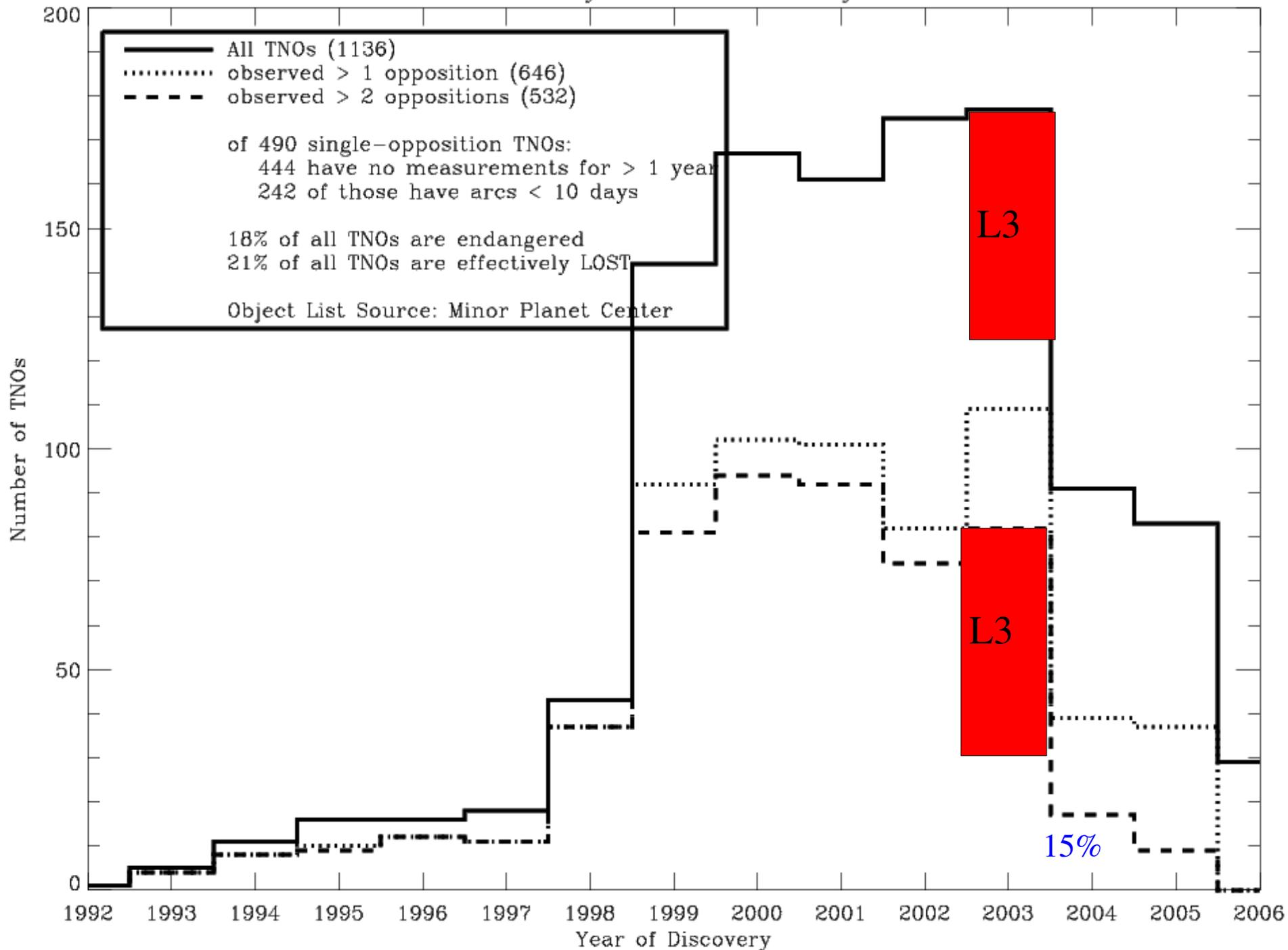
CFEPS L3 release

- Fully characterized and tracked sample from 2003
 - 94 fields
 - 79.14 sq.deg.
 - MegaCAM coverage: 0.9 sq.deg.
 - some overlap
 - chips failure on some blocks
 - 74 discovered objects
 - 55 objects with accurate orbit
- Full characterization of discovery efficiency with:
 - magnitude
 - rate of motion

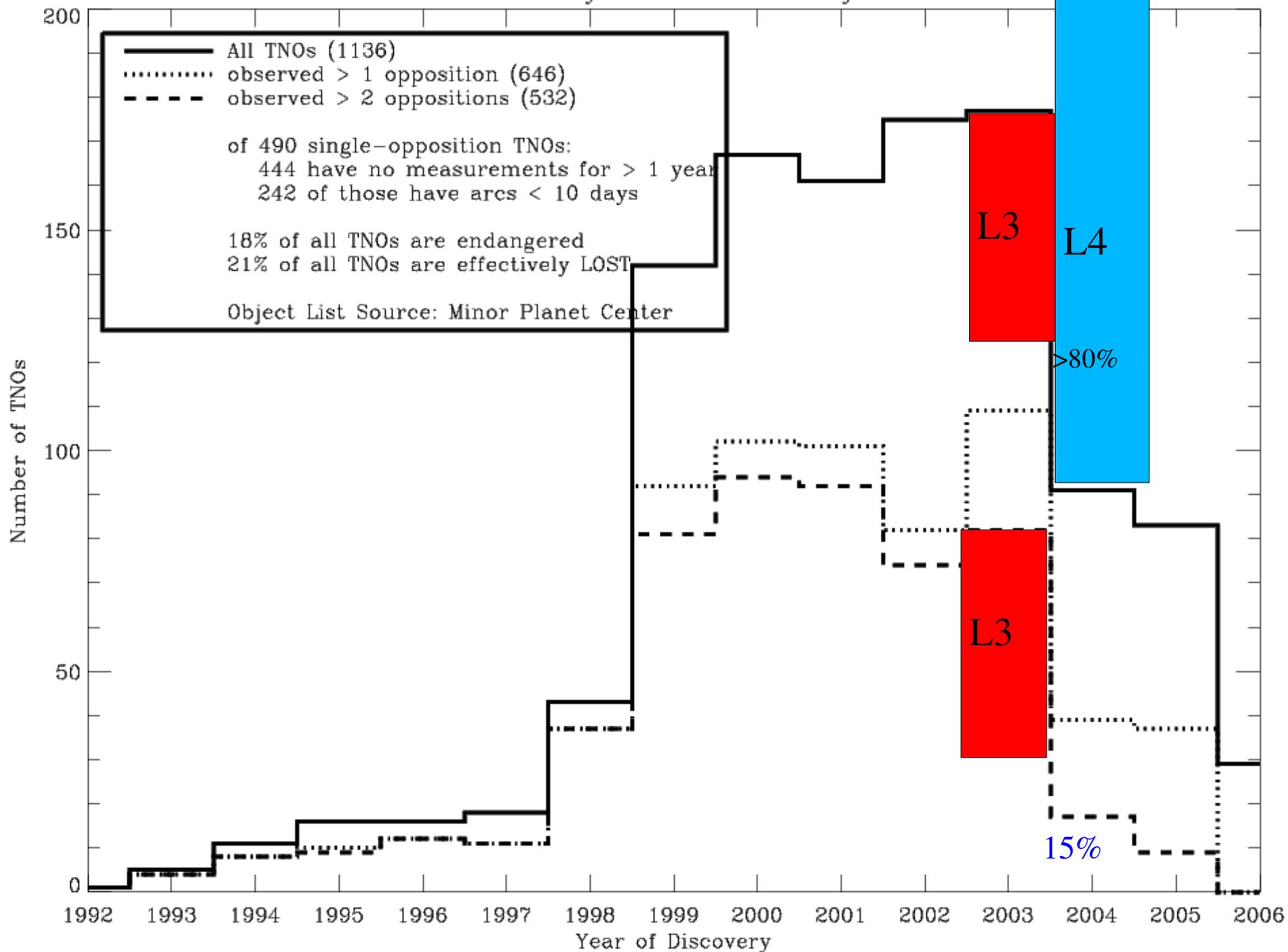
TNOs by Date of Discovery



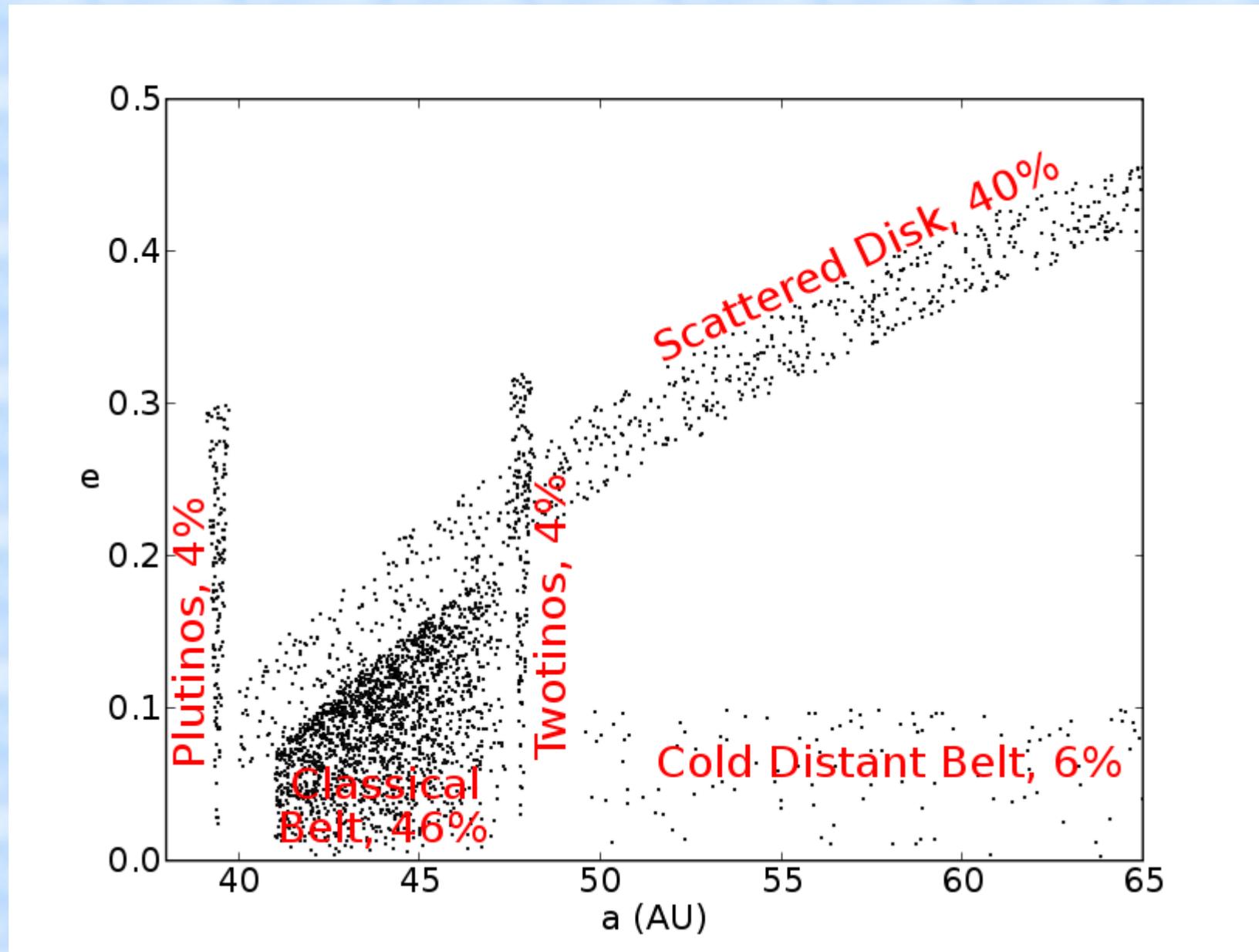
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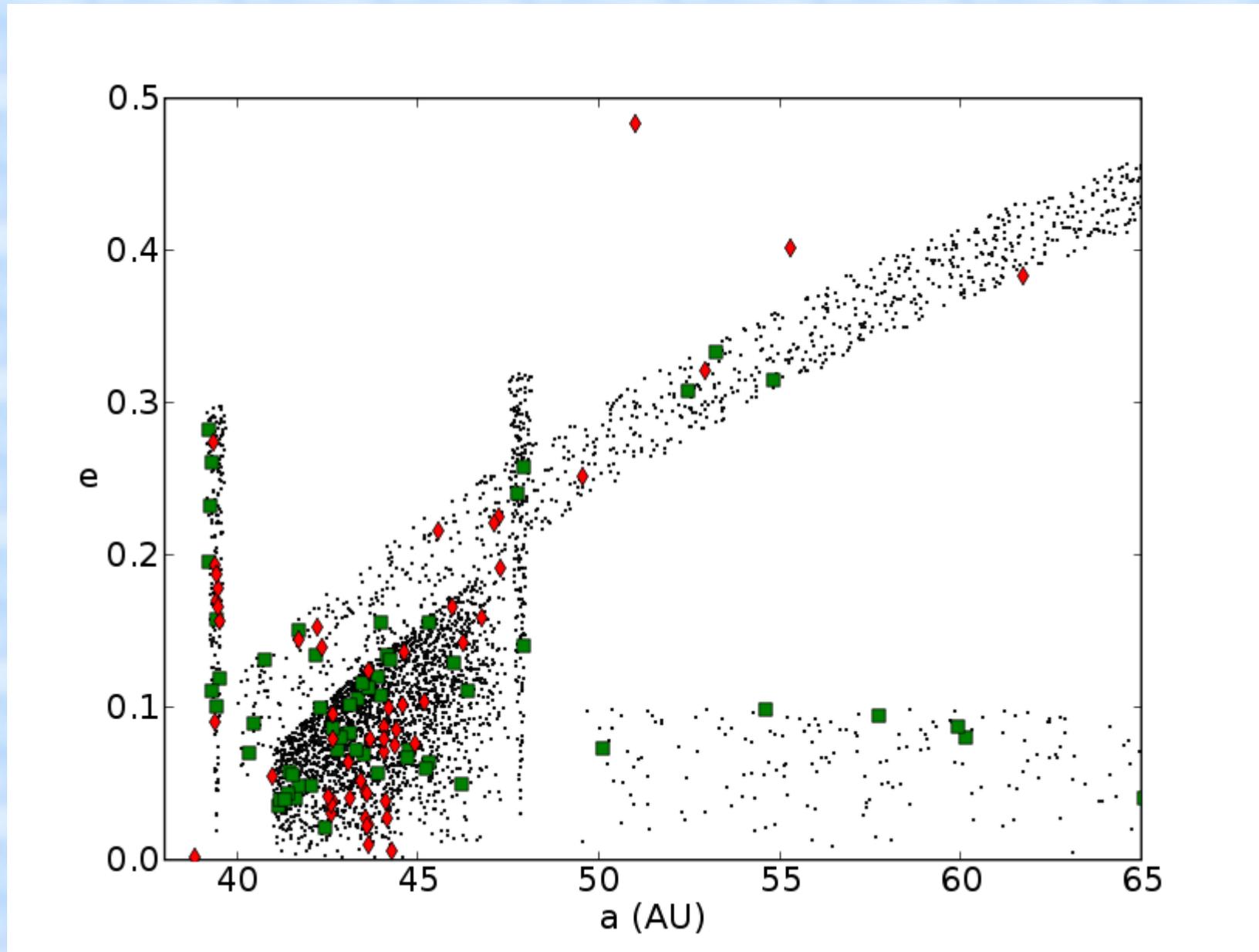
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Toy model of the Kuiper Belt



CFEPS 2003 objects and Model detections

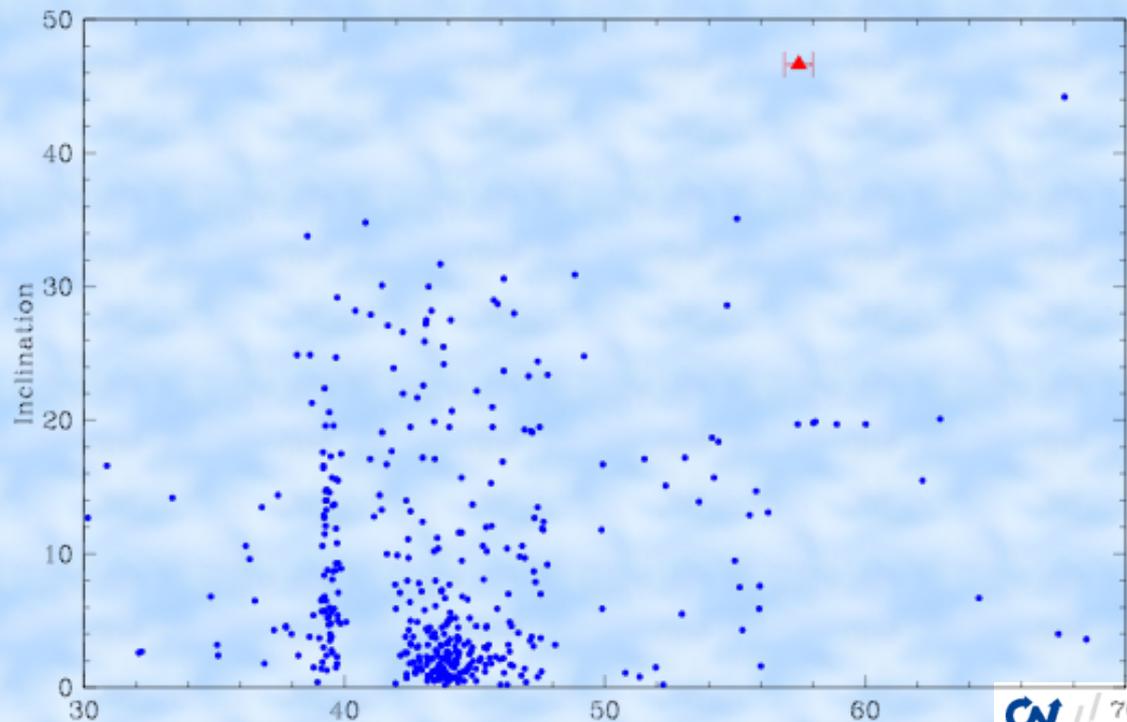
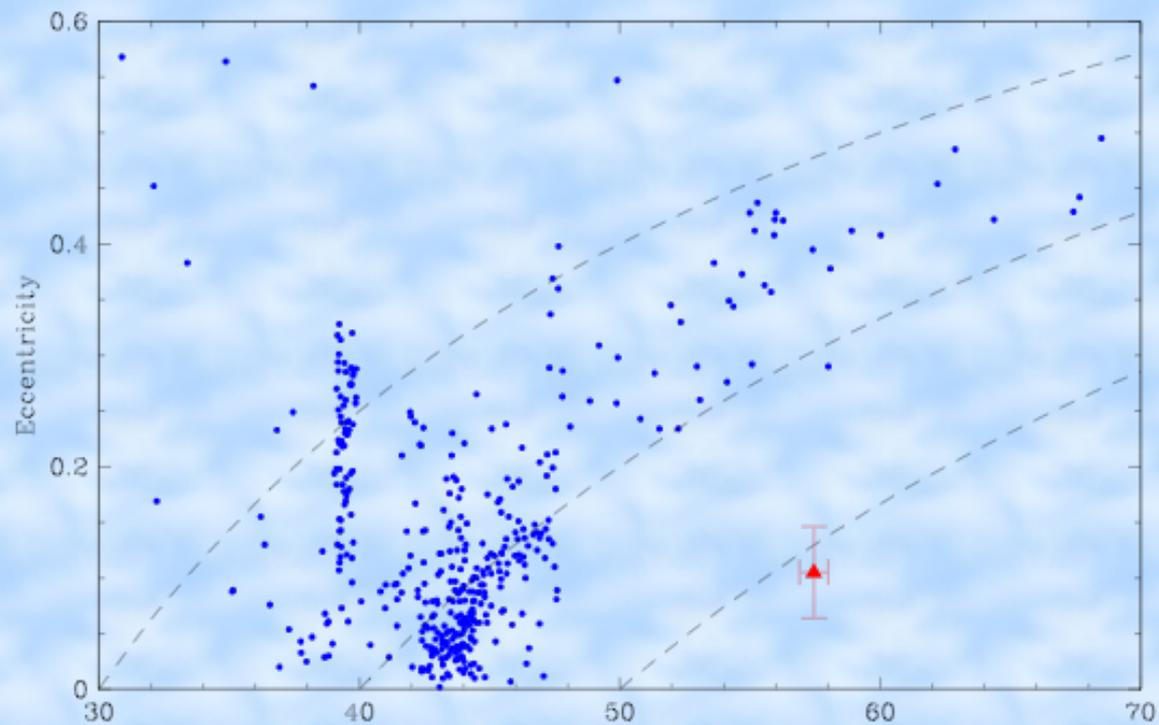


Simulating the survey

- We can now, for the first time, test for models
 - very many parameters
 - no satisfactory statistical measure of the model quality
 - so we estimate the quality of the models on 1D distributions
 - risk of degeneracy between different parameters
- Not enough detected objects to really decide between models
- We'd need between 4 (accepted CFHTLS-VW) and 10 (initially proposed projet) times more objects than what we'll have at the end of the survey to really test the models
- We don't have a *standard model* for the parameters of which we want to determine yet another digit
 - we are in a more interesting position: trying to determine the correct model -> hard to quantify how many obs are needed

Other preliminary results

- Brightest object of the survey, by far: at high ecliptic latitude
- First distant object on quasi-circular orbit
- Discovery of a temporary trojan
 - stability ?
 - thick trojan disk ?
- Discovery of a new well-separated binary
- Luminosity Function: slope = 0.7, $m_0 = 23.6$

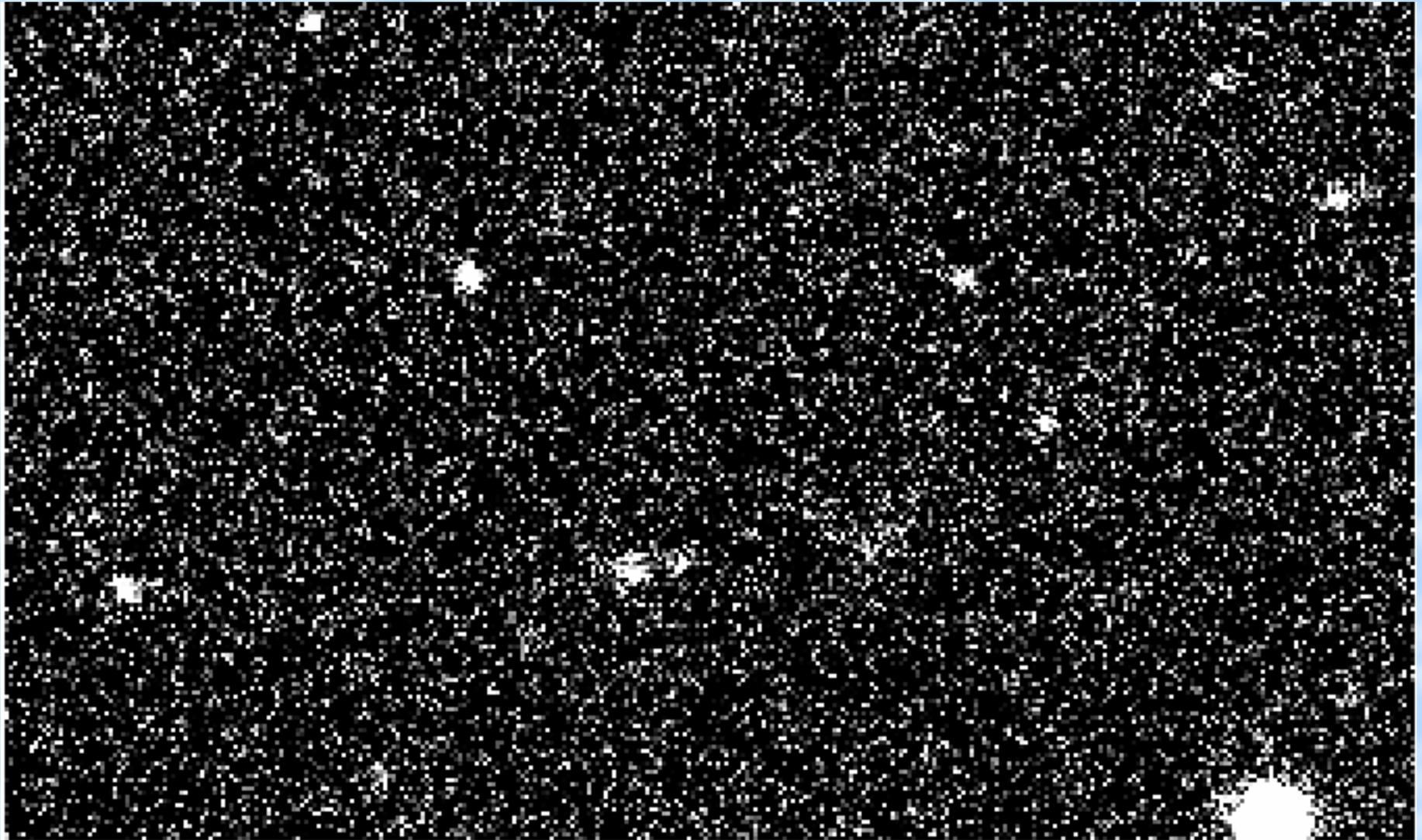


J-M Petit, CFHTLS user meeting, Nov. 06-07, 2006

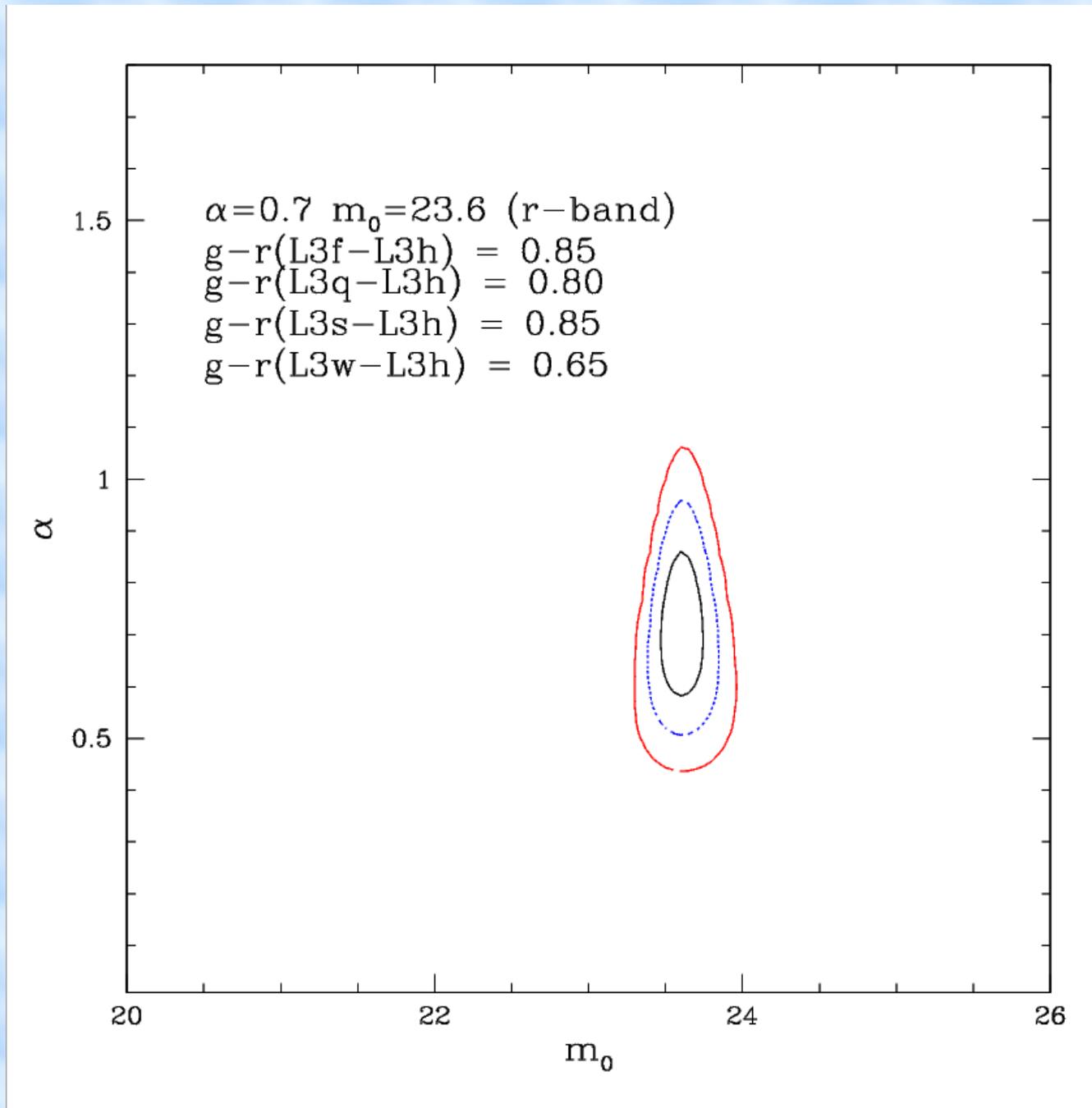
A new large separation binary



A new large separation binary



Luminosity Function of 2003 objects



Thanks QSO Team

- More quantitative results will appear in the coming paper presenting the 2003 data release of CFEPS
- Stay tuned !