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# What sets the cavity size in circumbinary discs?

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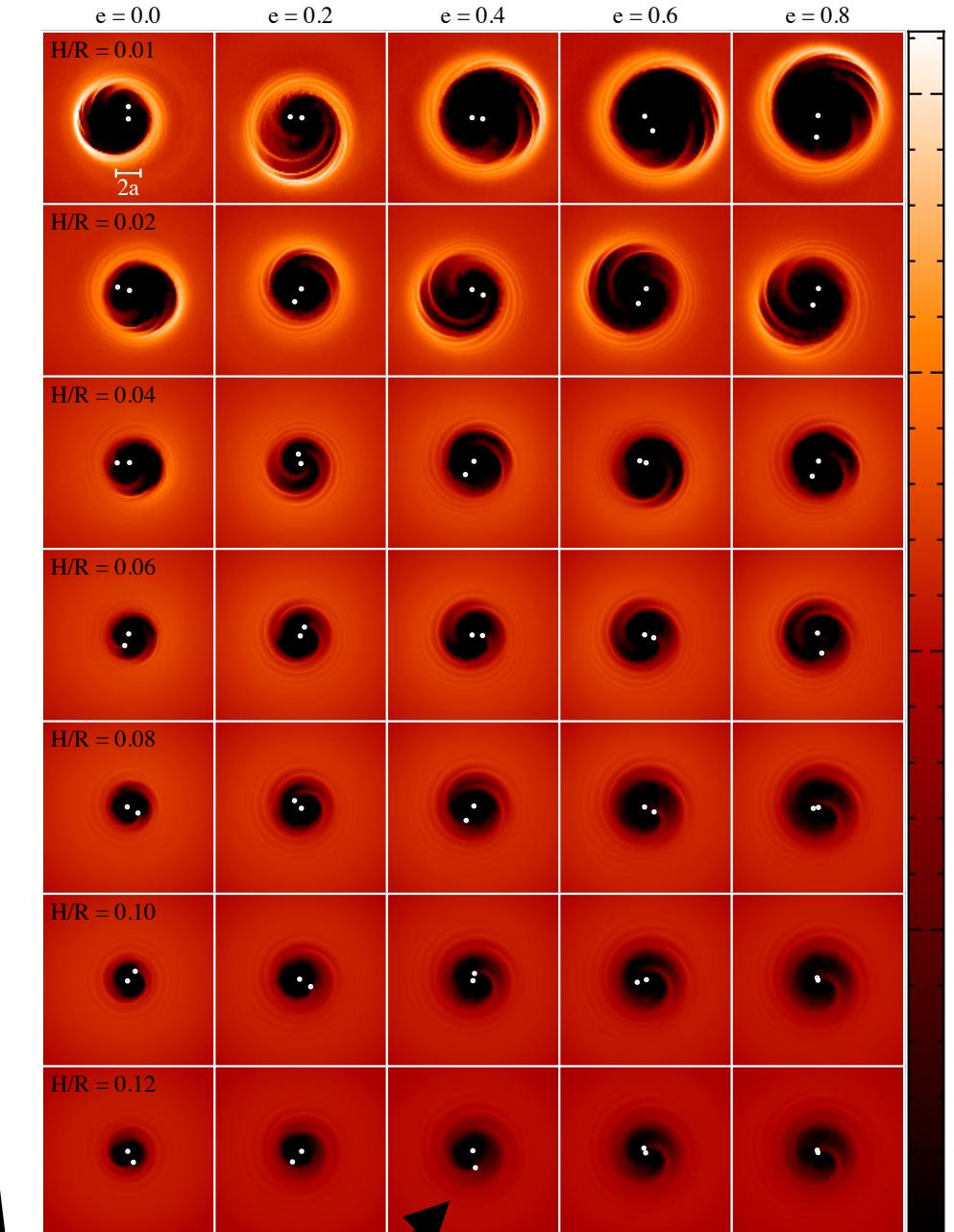
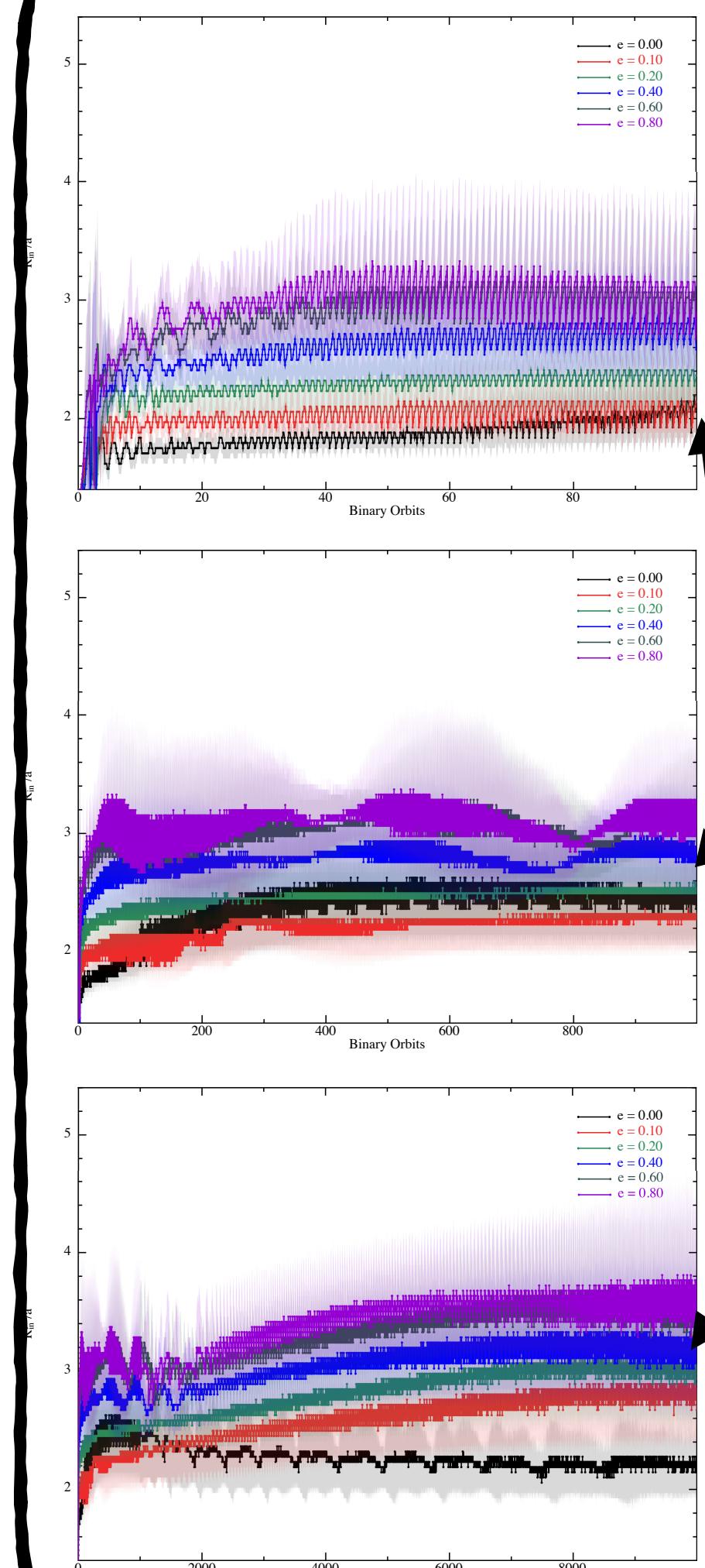
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## Viscosity?



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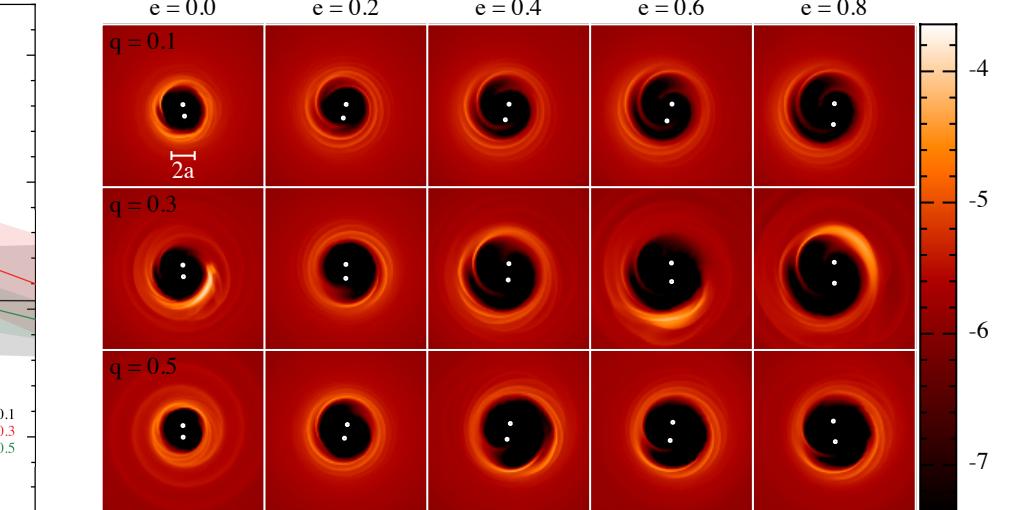
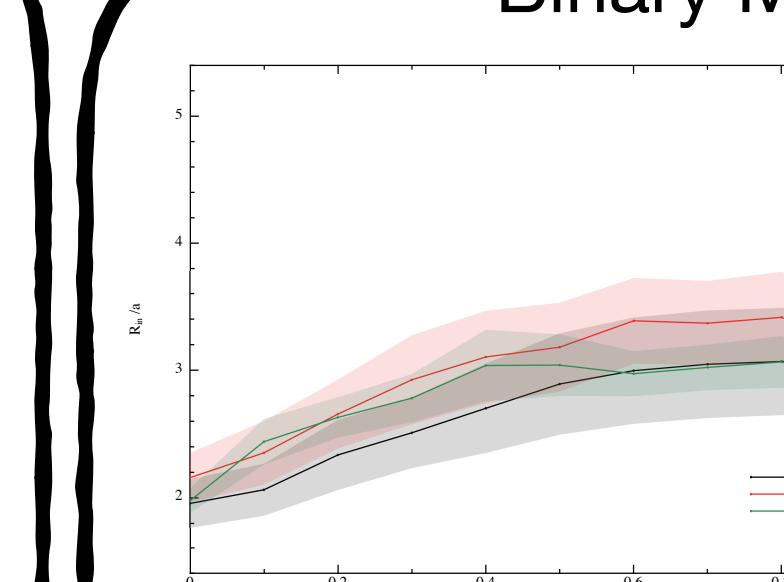
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## References

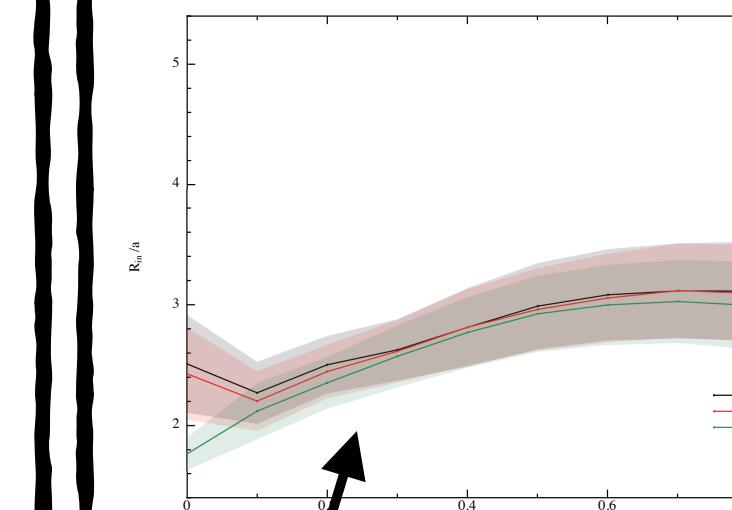
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## Binary Mass Ratio?

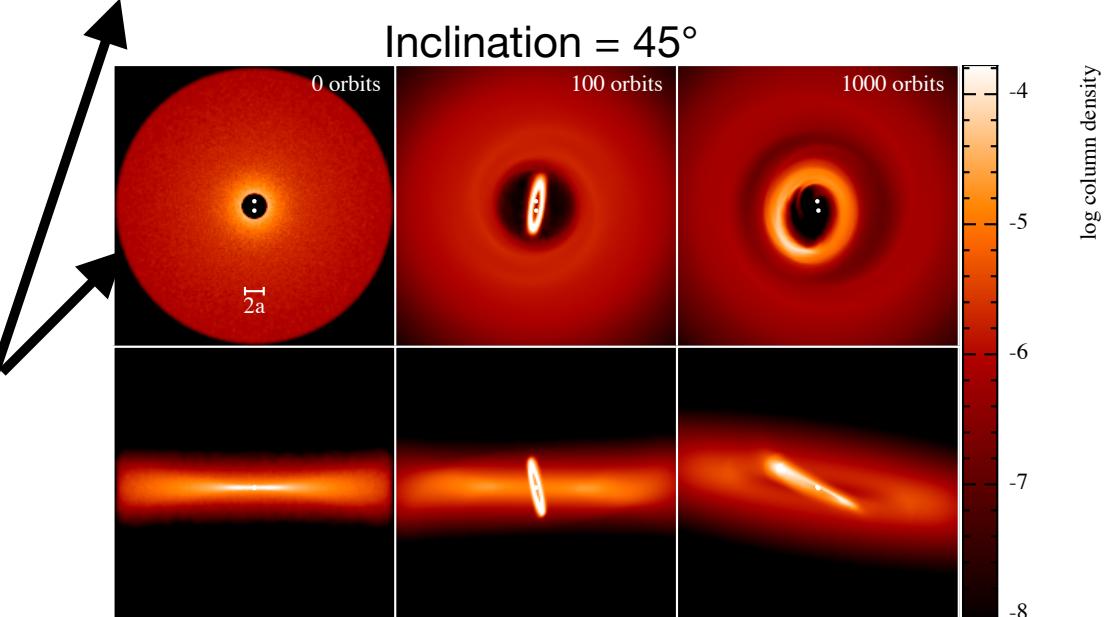
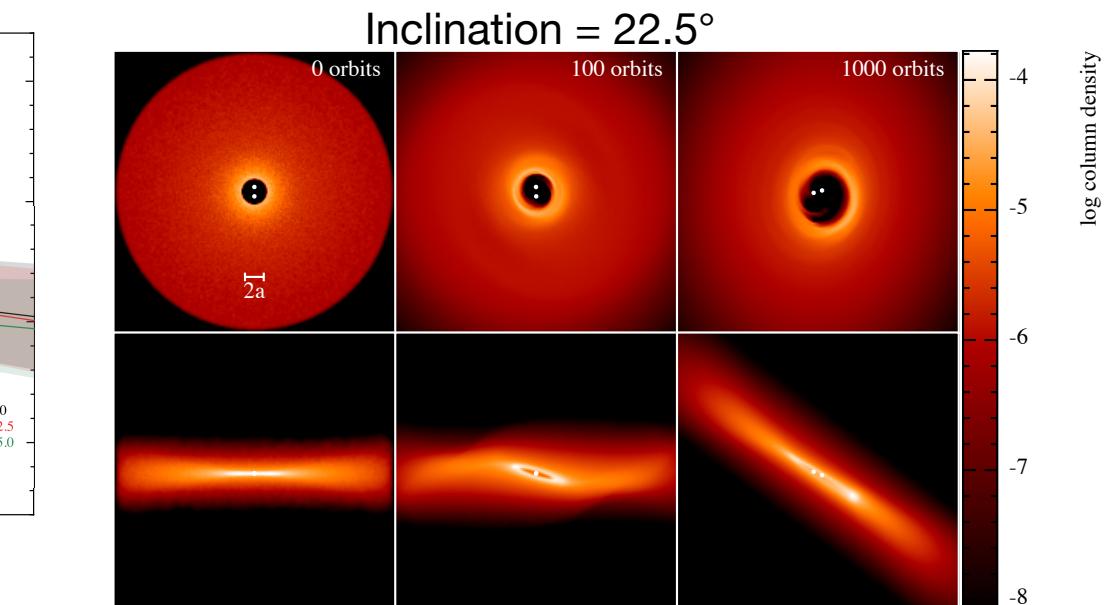


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## Disc Inclination?

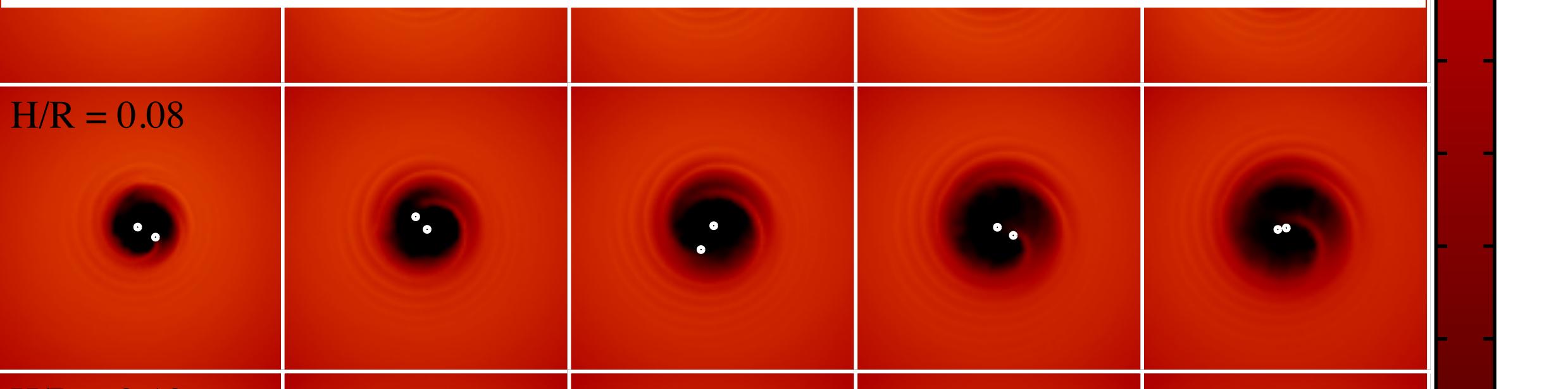
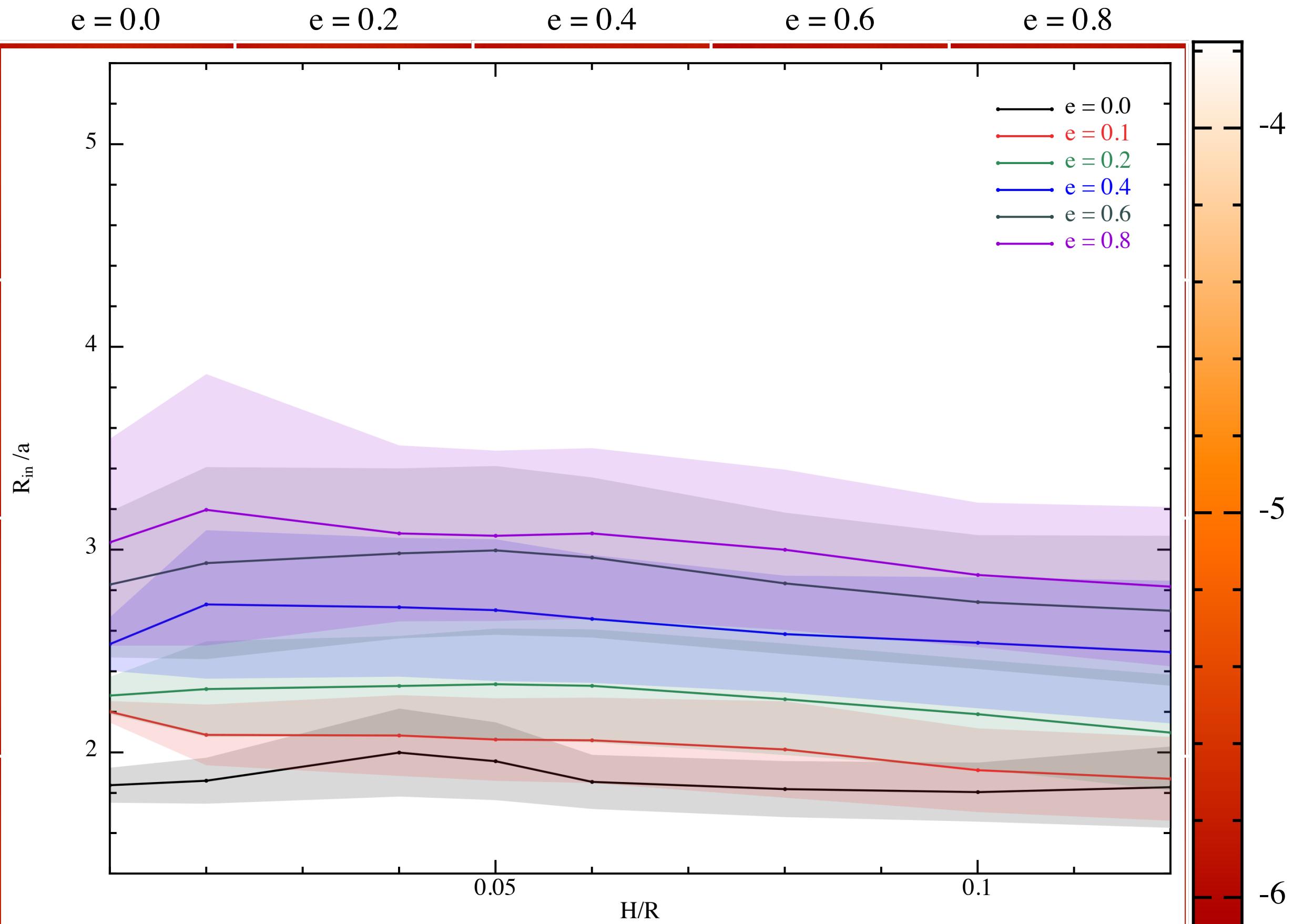
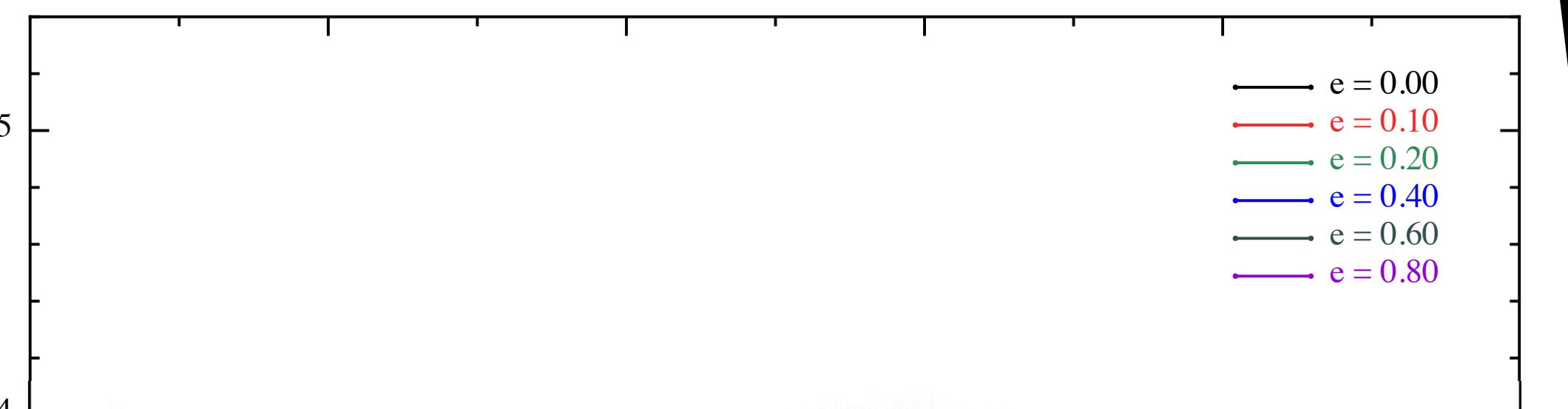
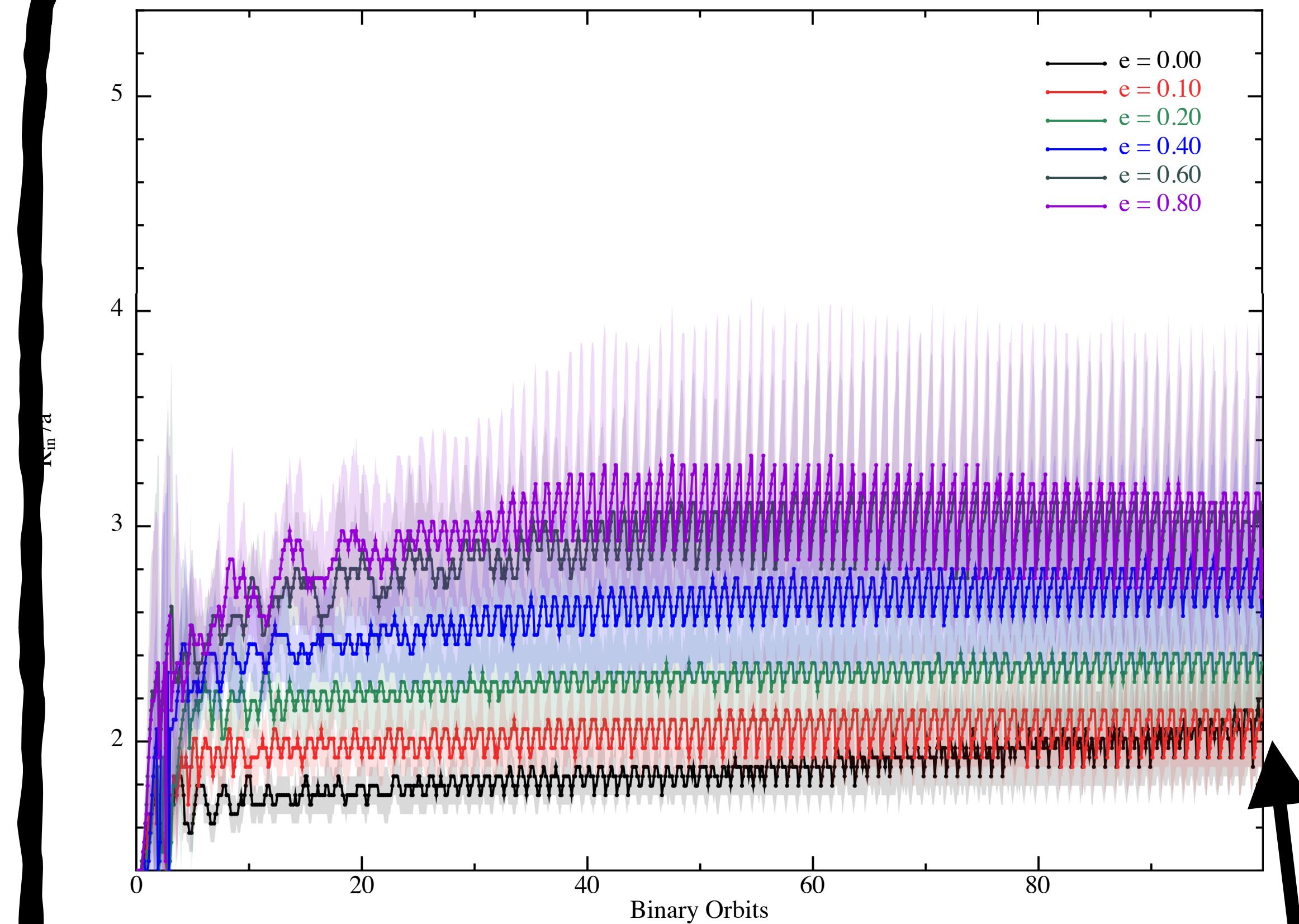


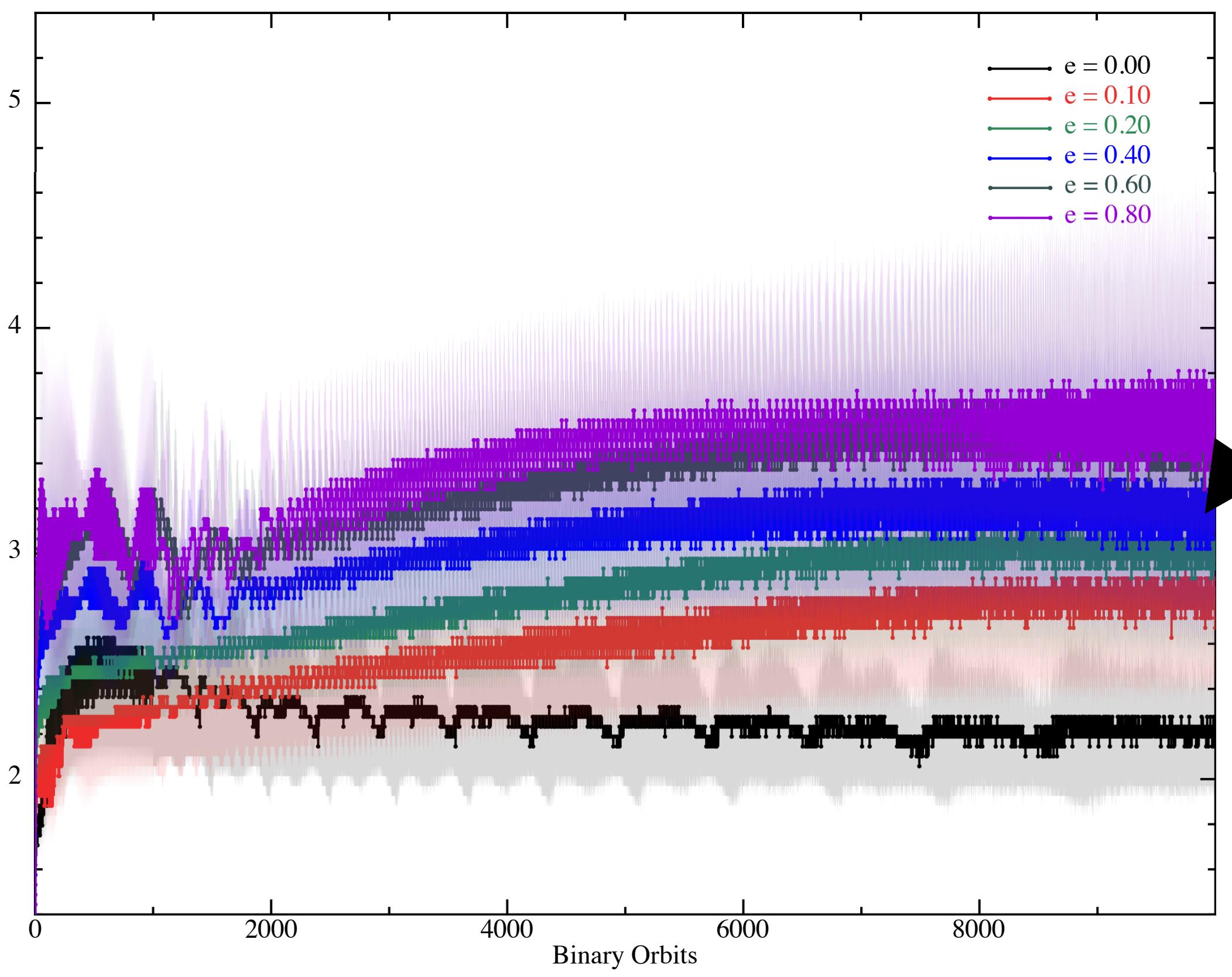
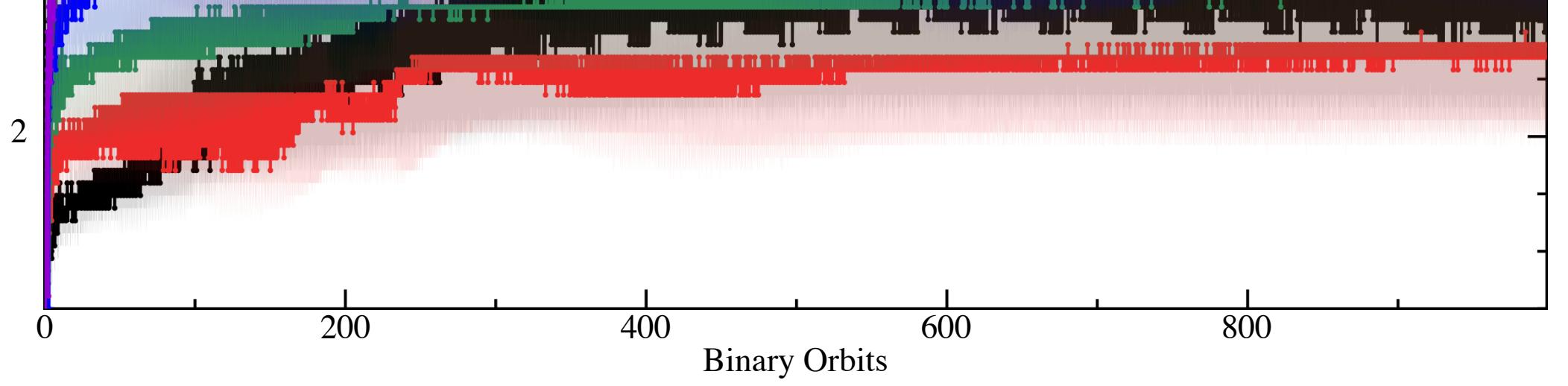
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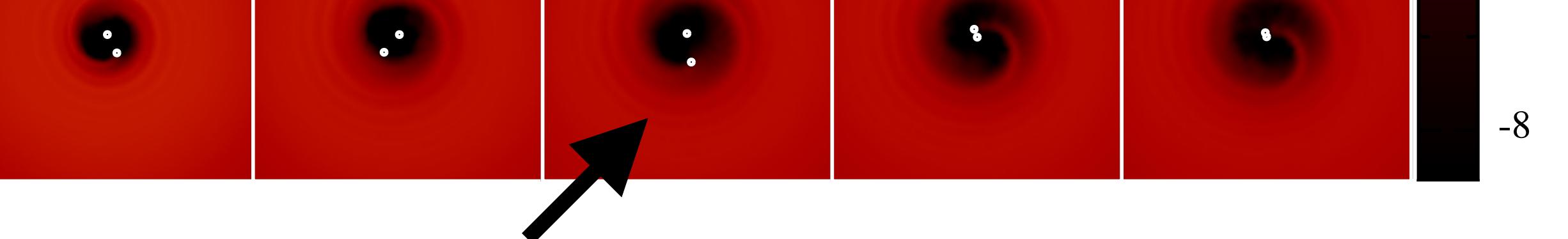
Disc with low initial inclination warp or break, tending towards a coplanar orbit.

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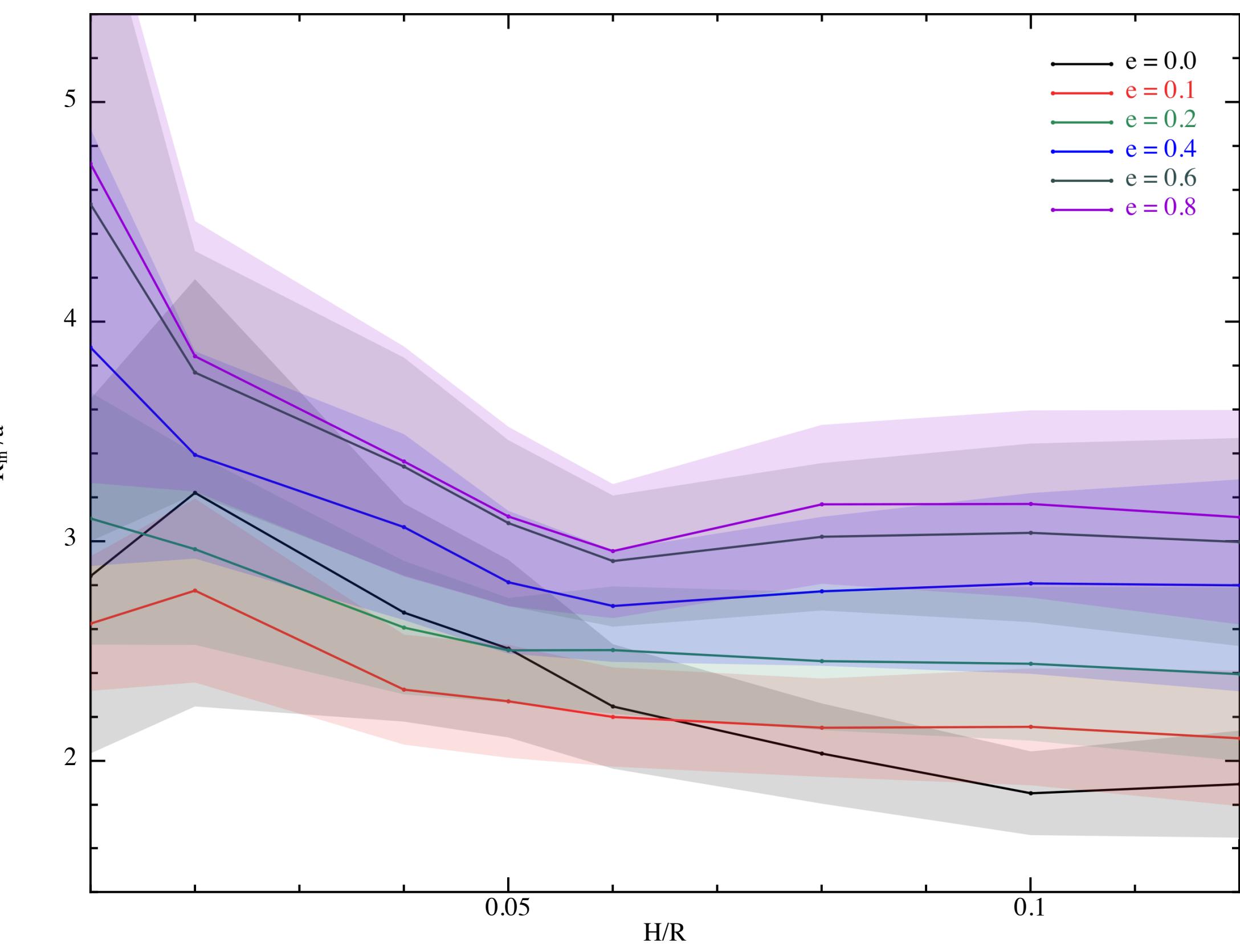




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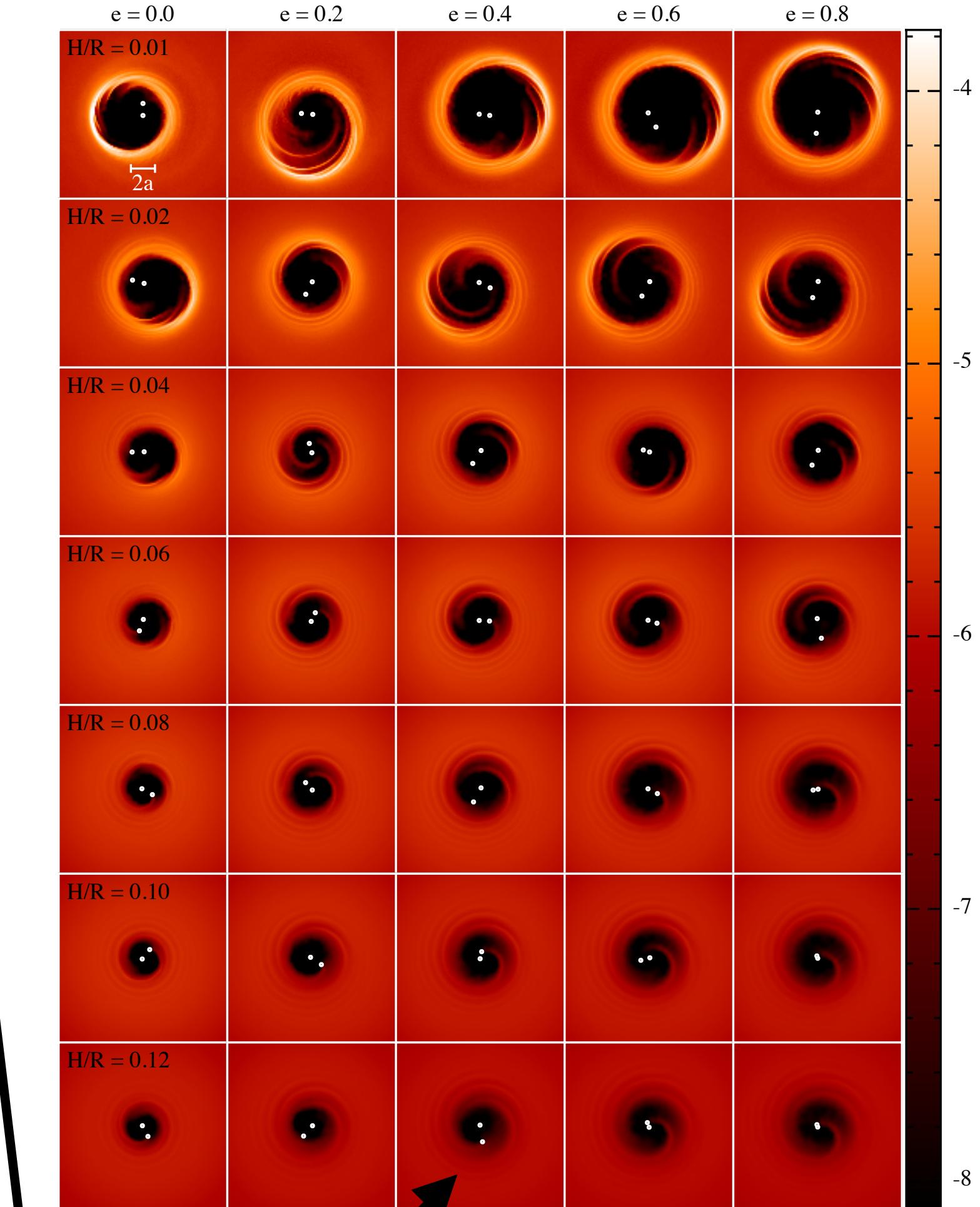
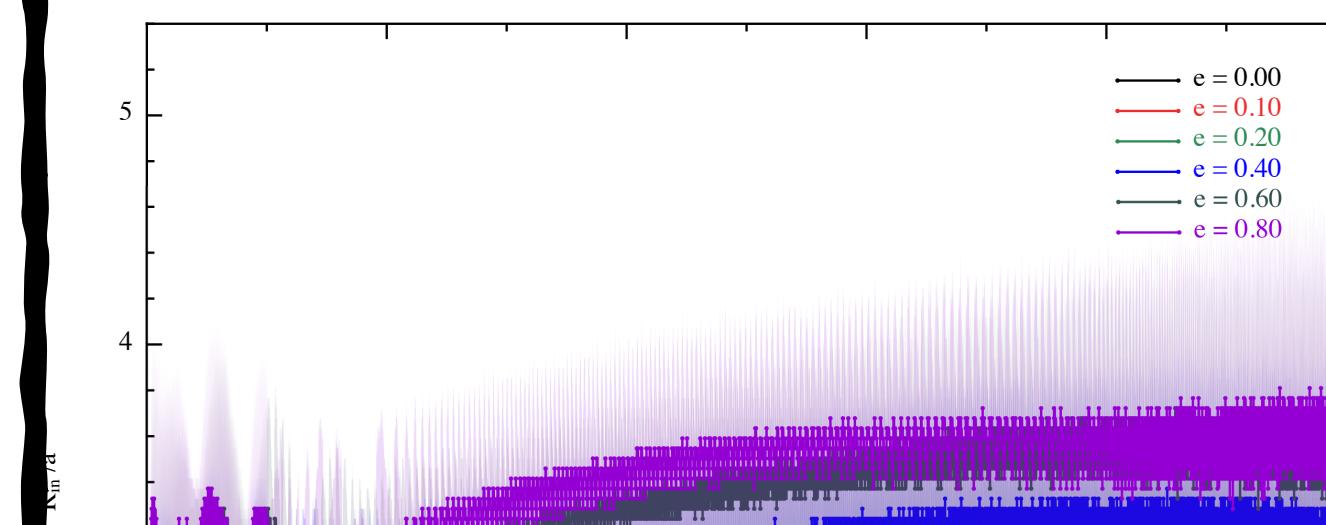
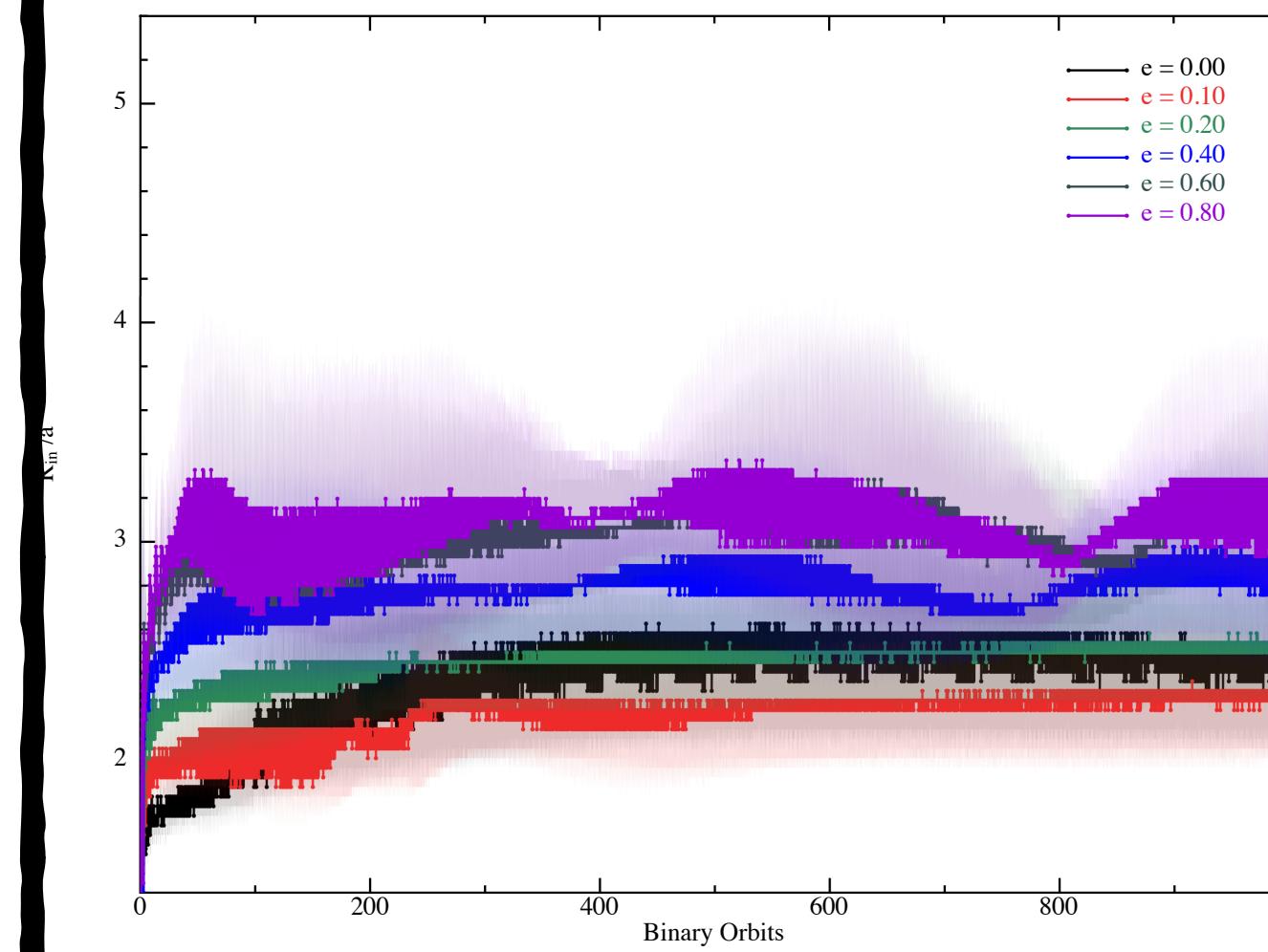
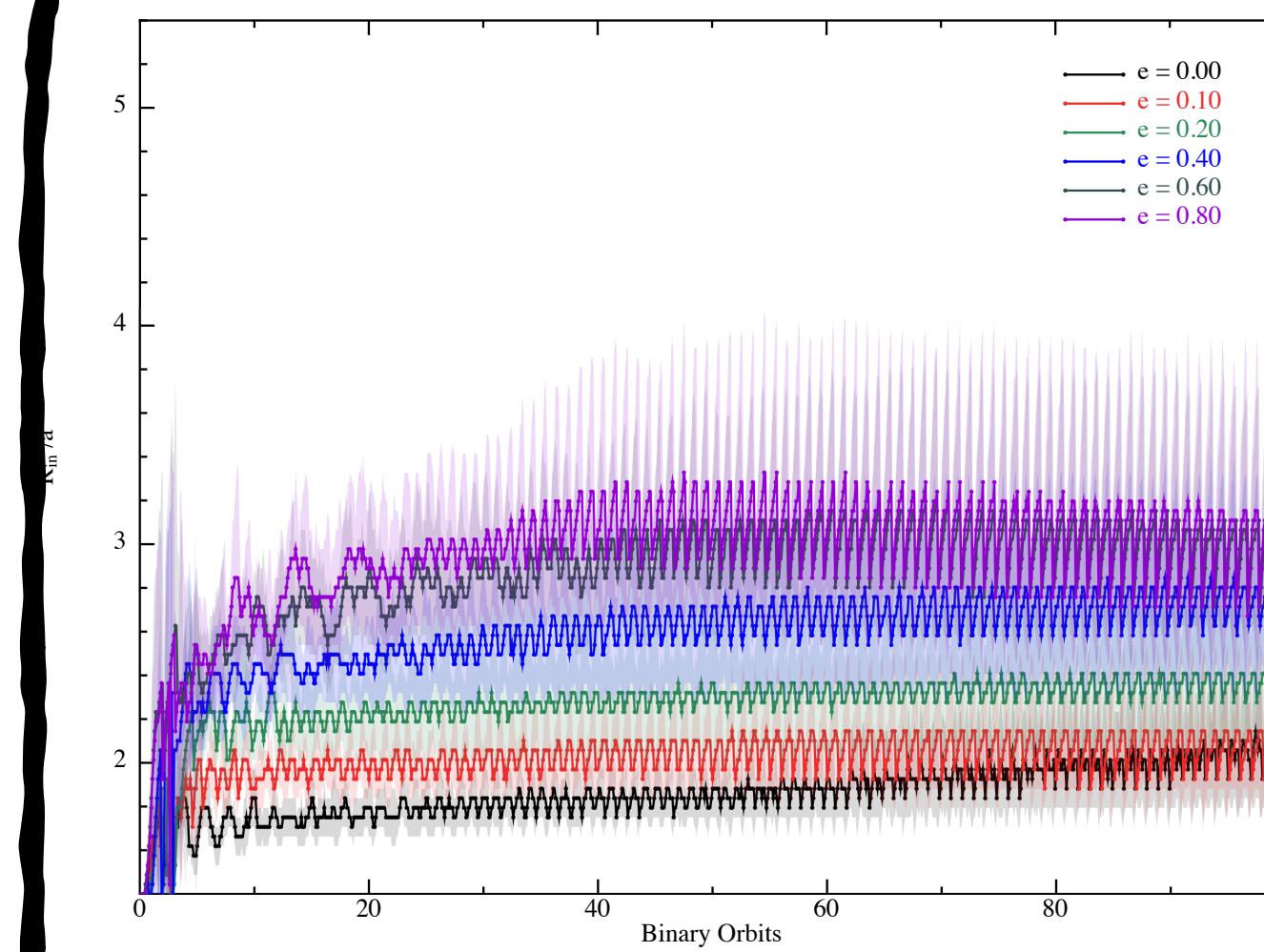
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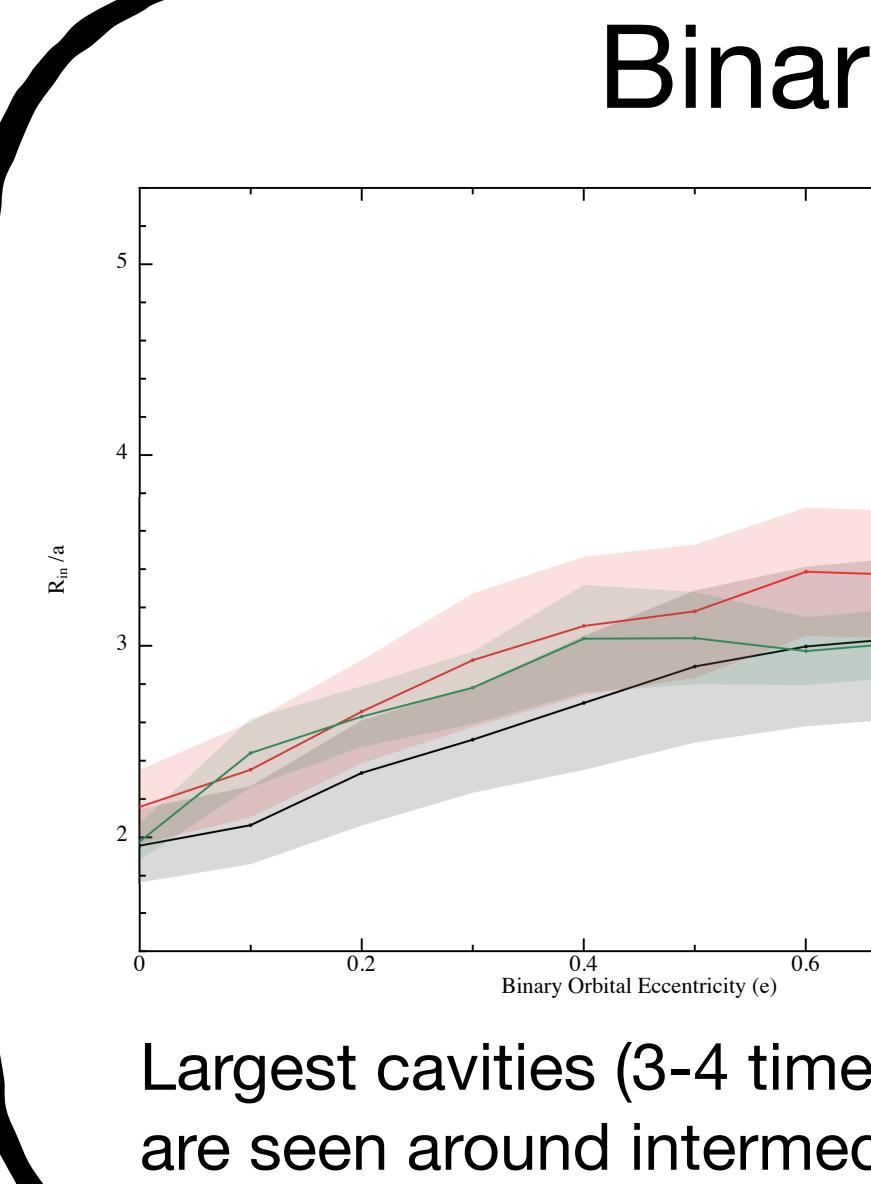


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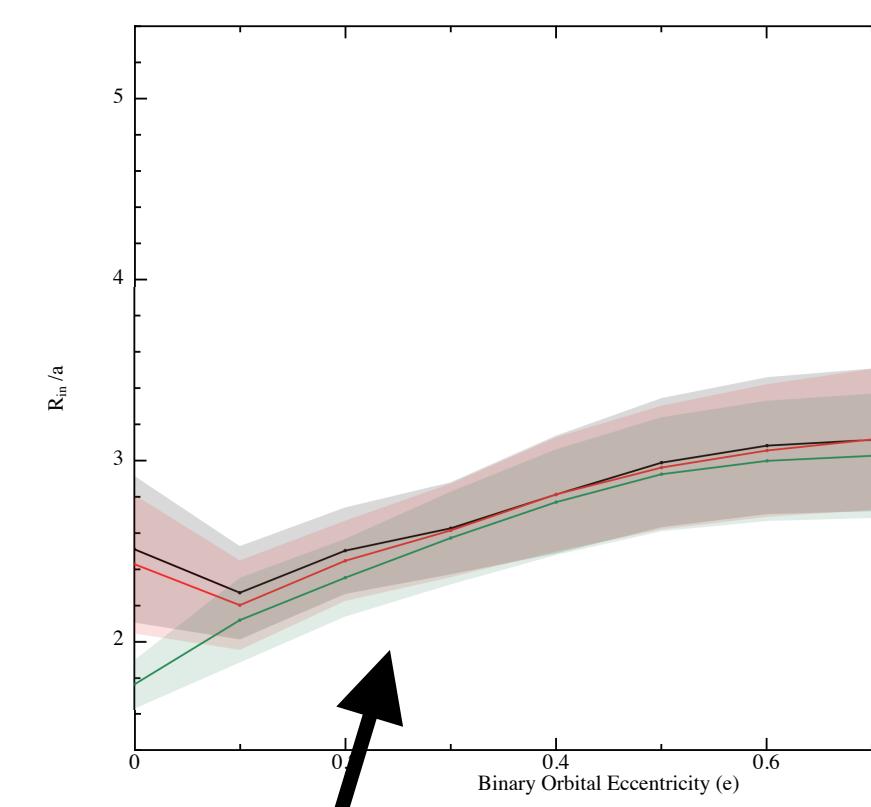
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Cavity size is independent of viscosity time scale.

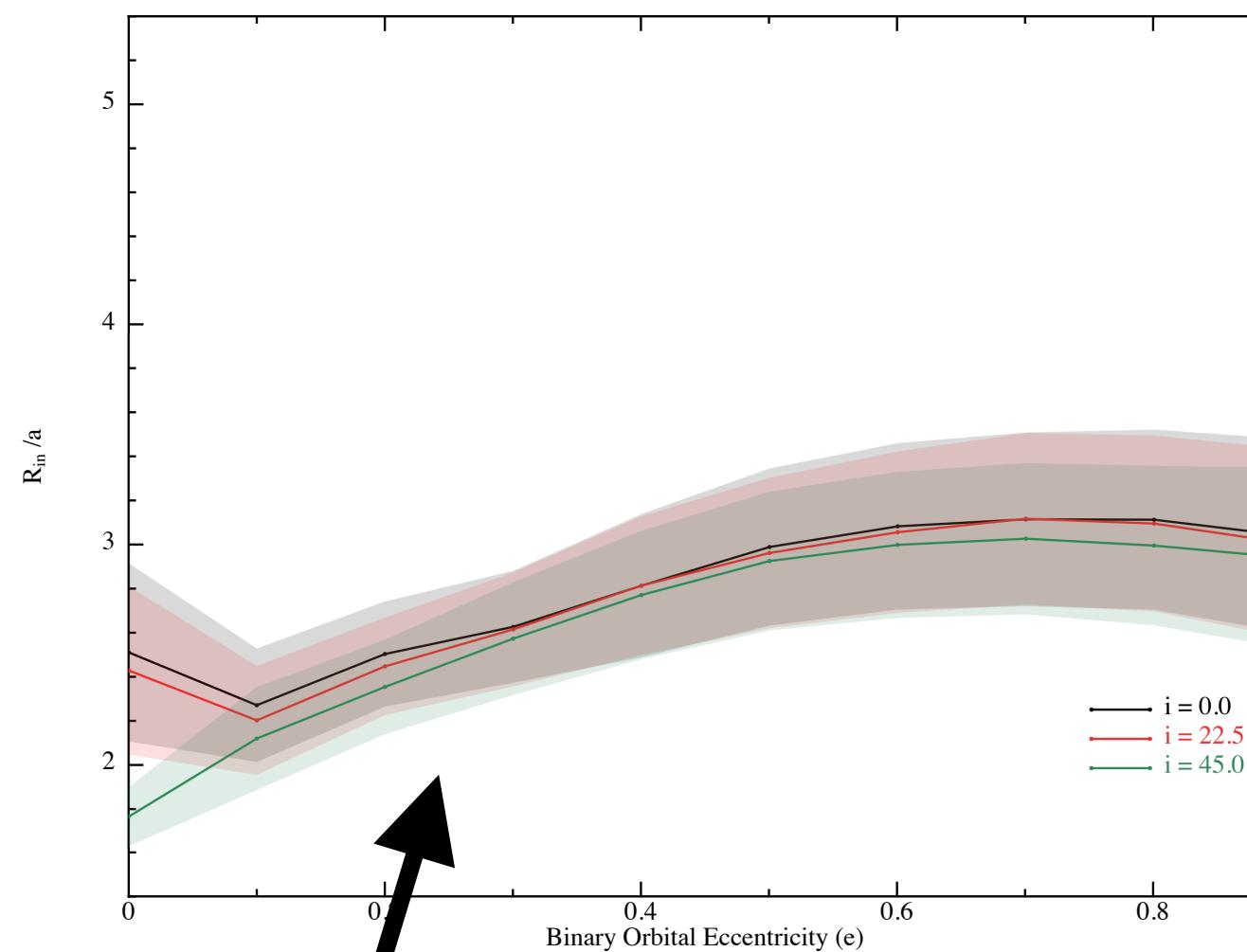
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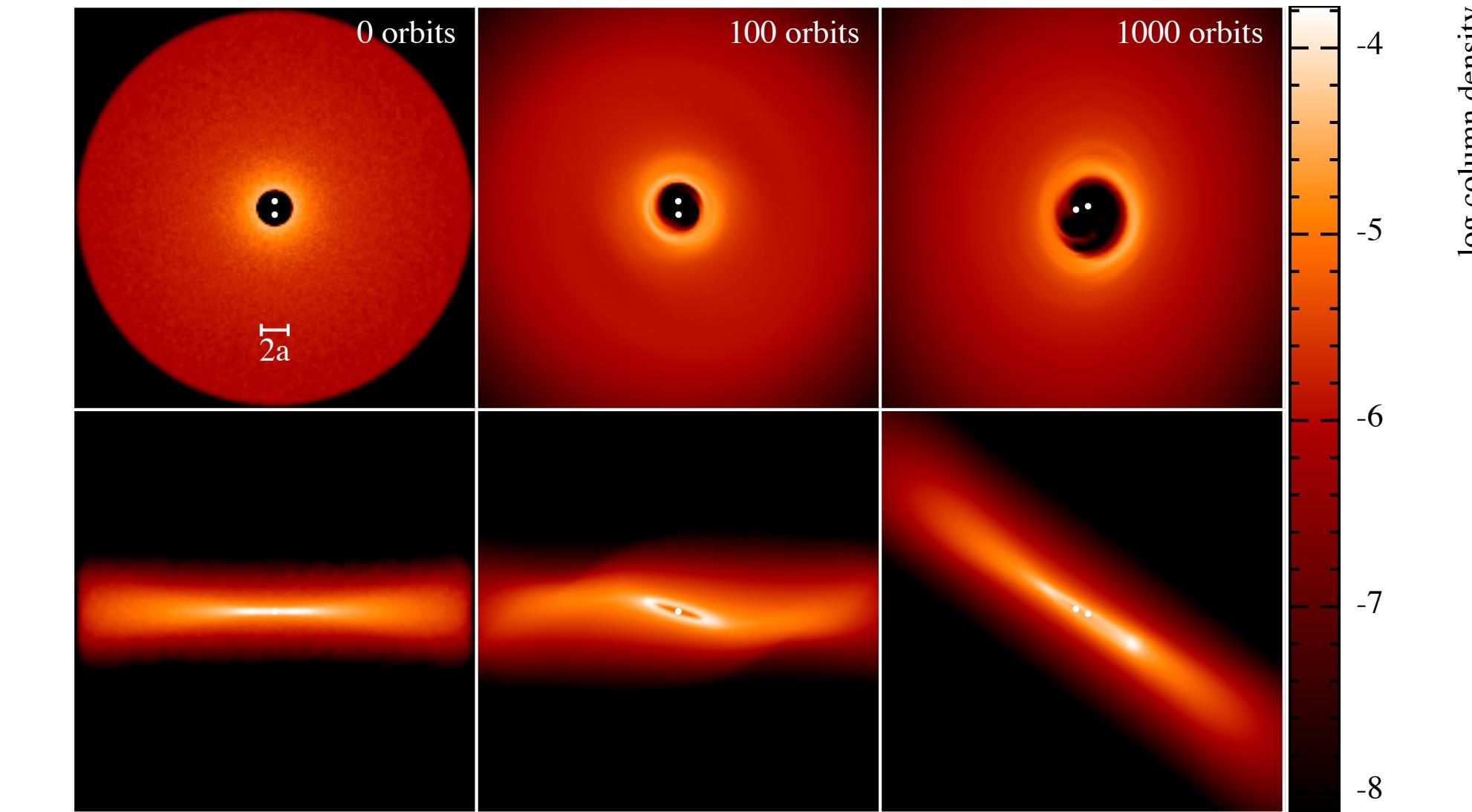
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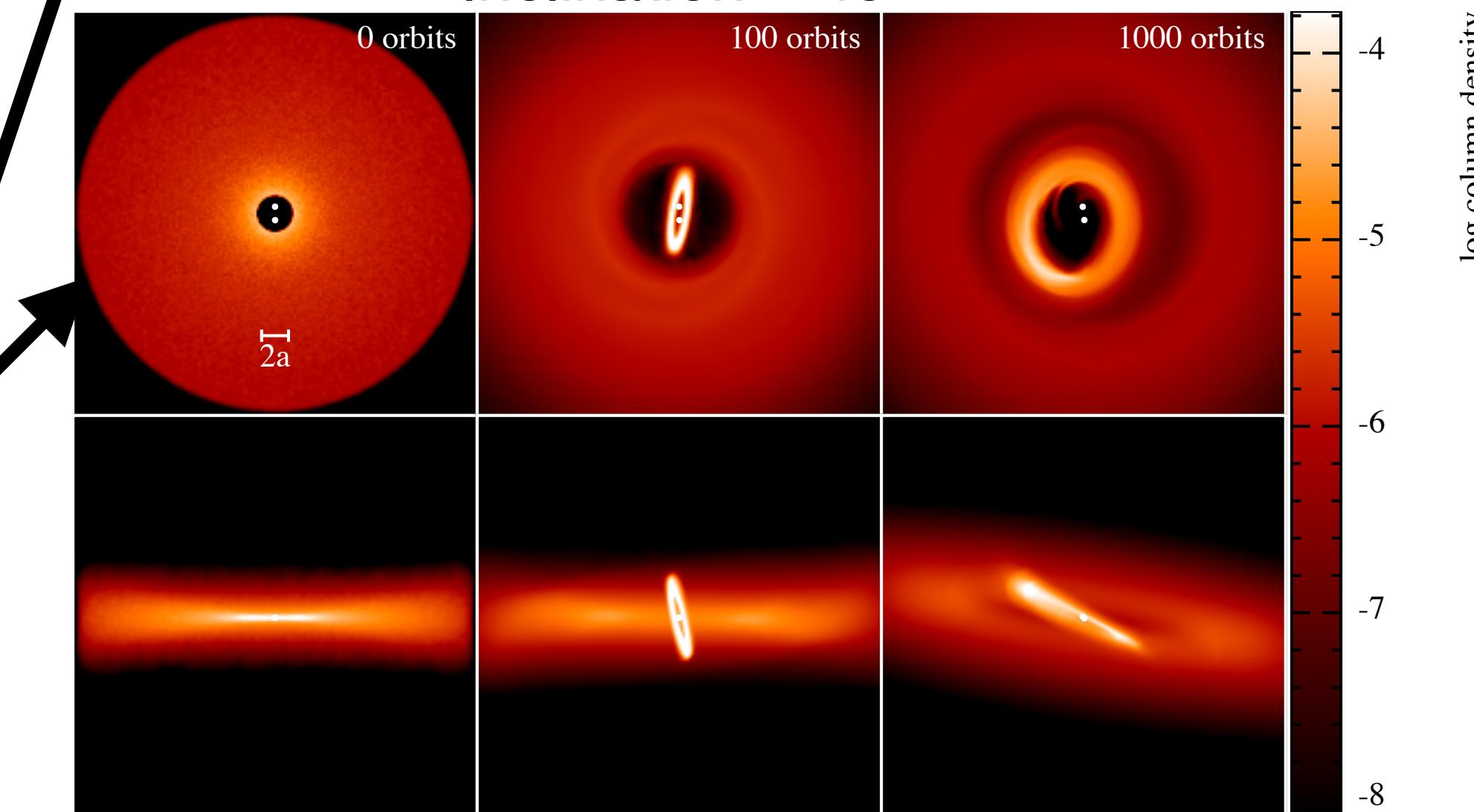
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Disc with low initial inclination warp or break, tending towards a coplanar orbit.

Inclination = 22.5°

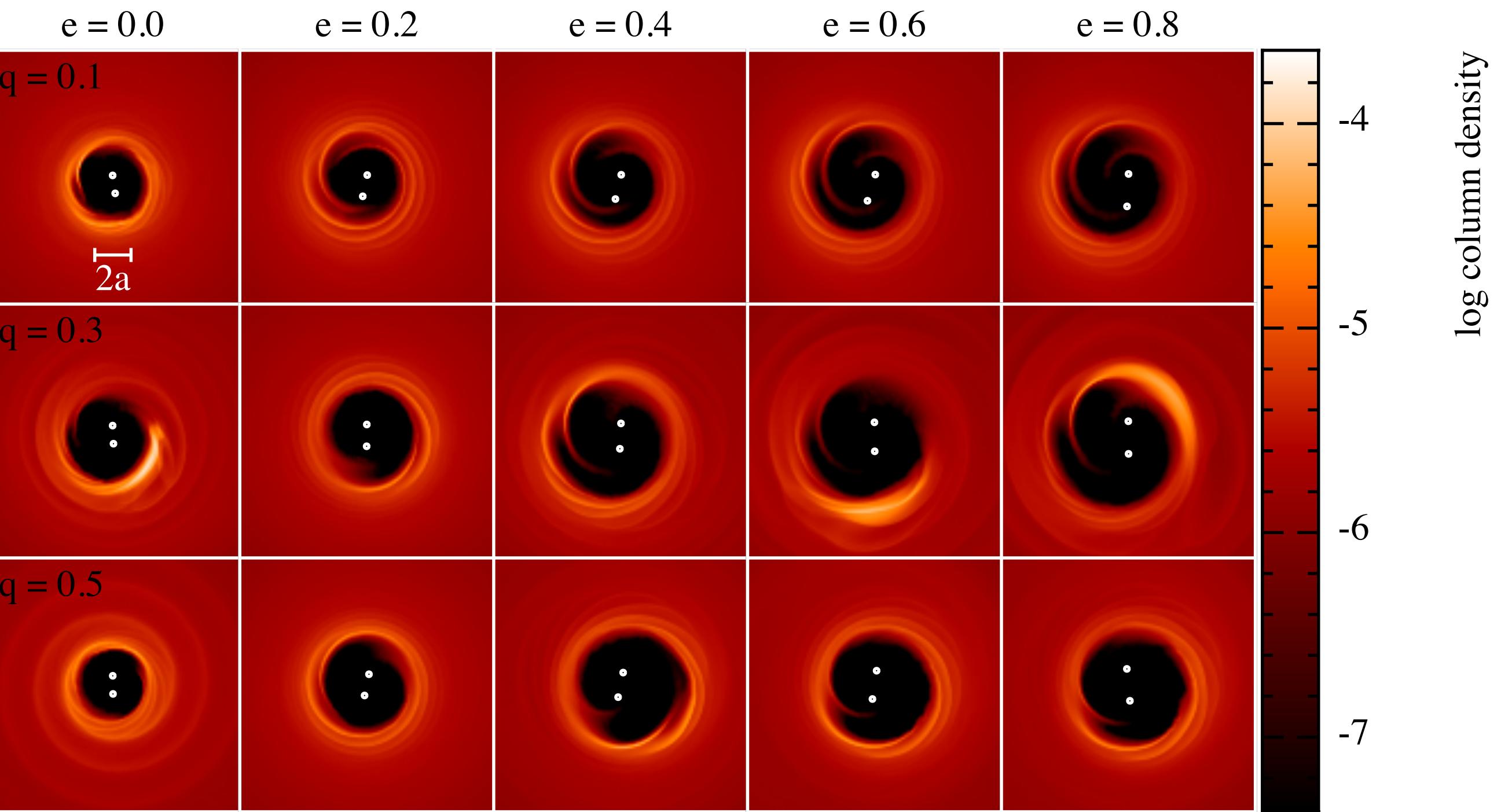
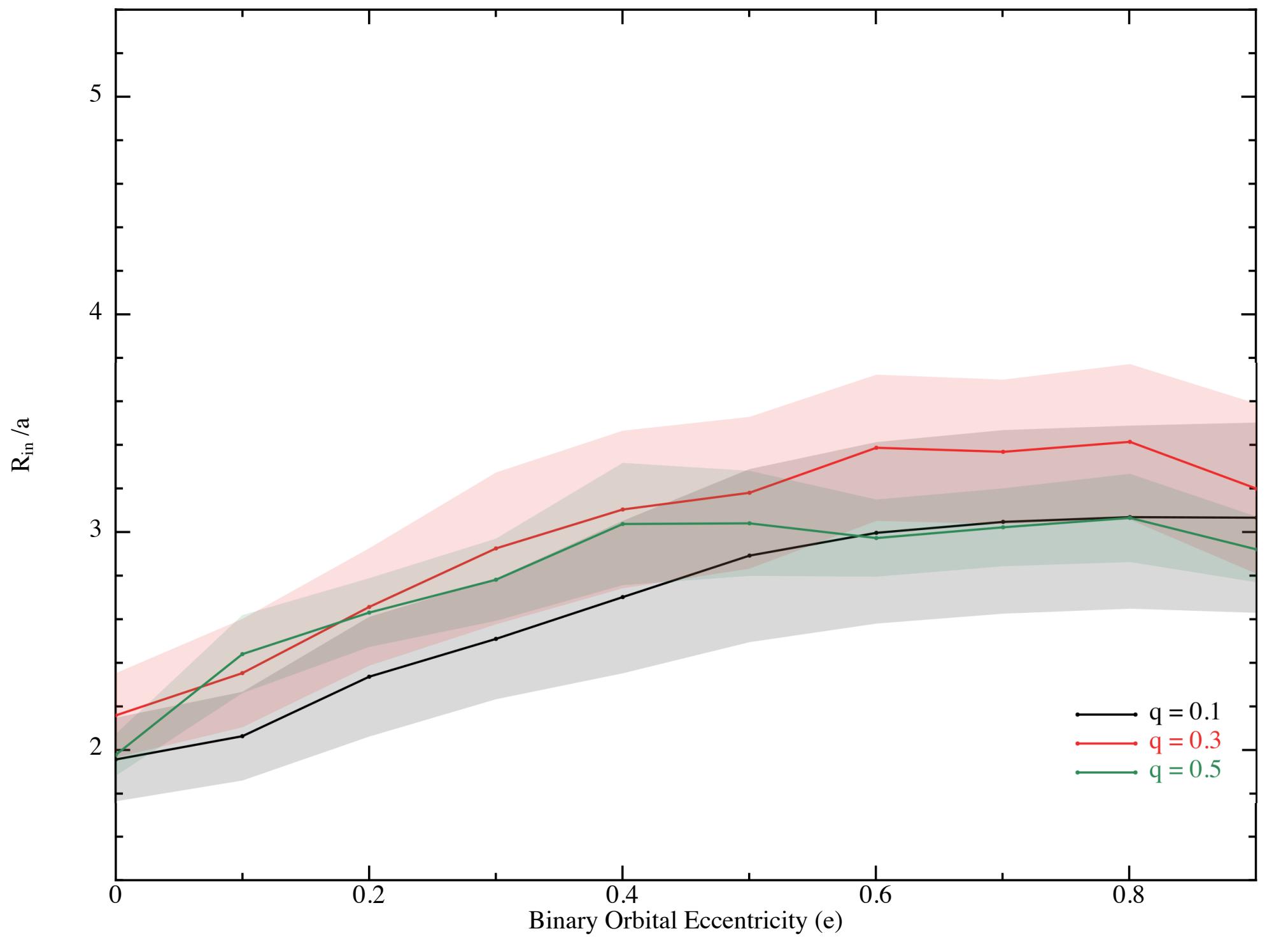


Inclination = 45°



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