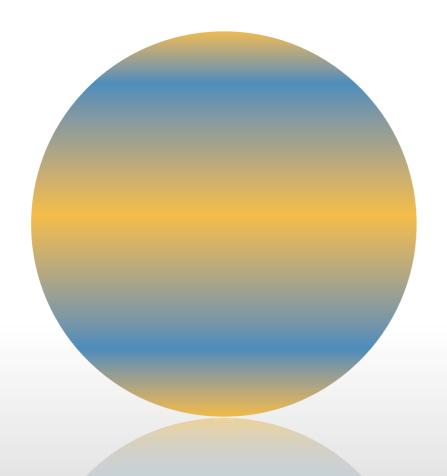


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## Internal Structure: Implication for Planet Formation



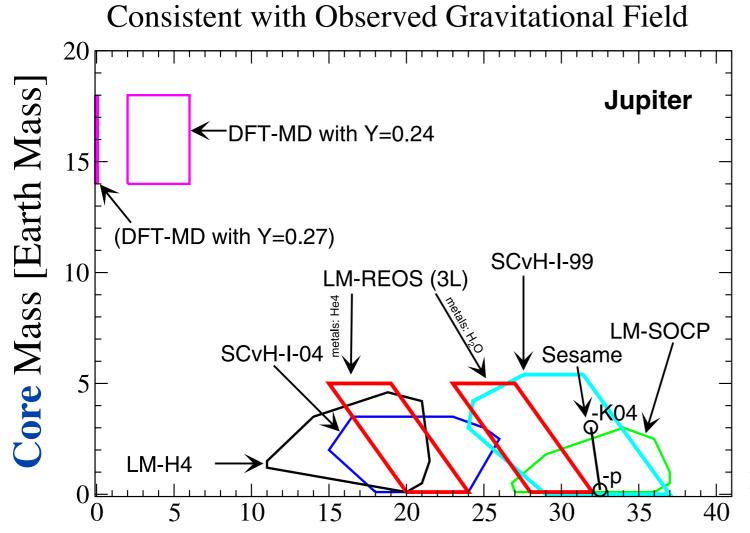
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### Heavy Elements in Interior

#### **Internal Structure Models**



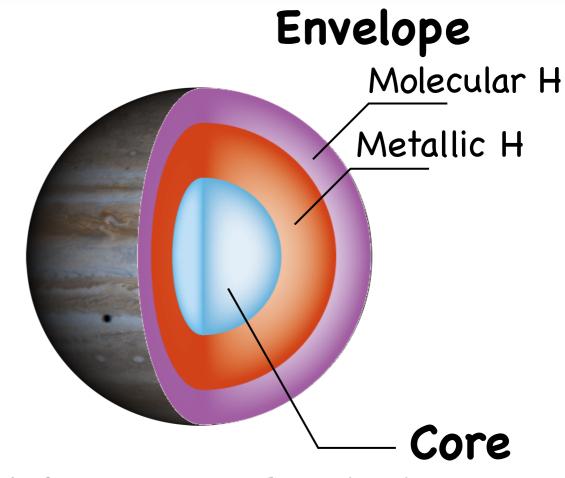
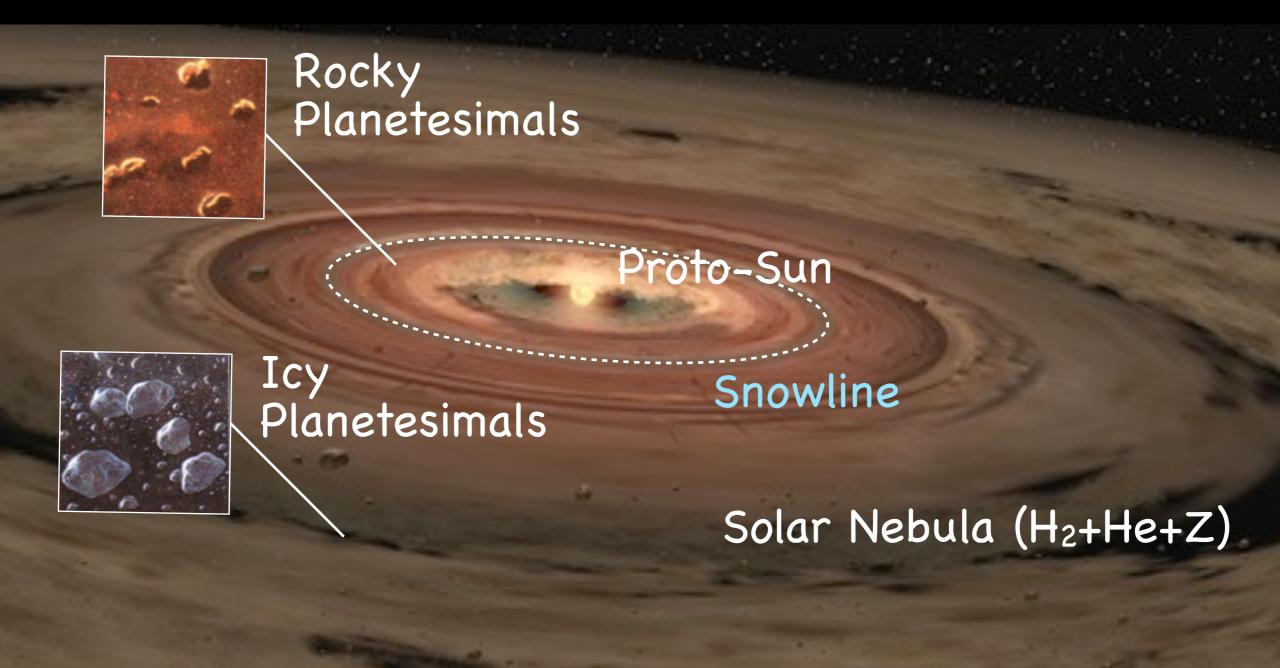


Fig. from Fortney & Nettelmann (2010)

Total Mass of Heavy Elements in **Envelope** [Earth Mass]

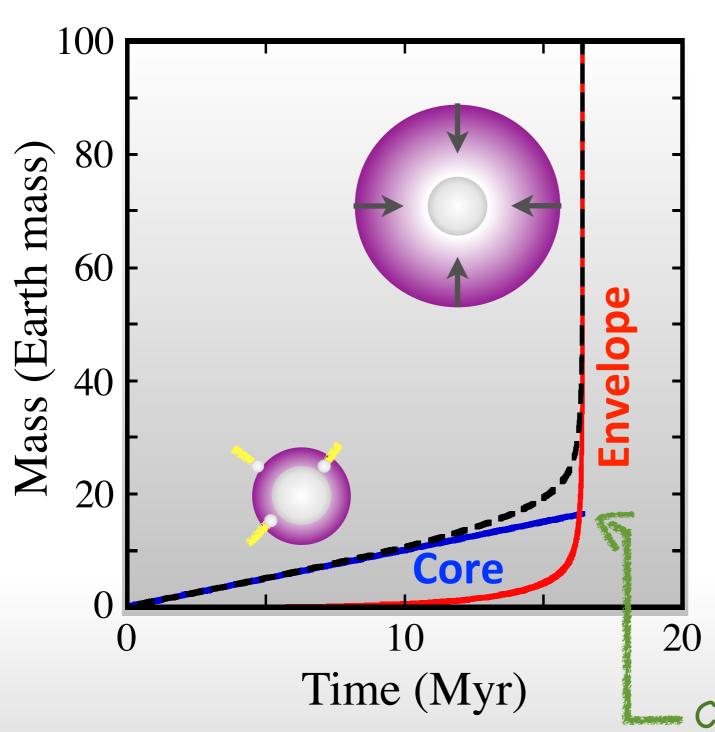
- How massive is the core?
- When the entry elements are contained in the interior?
- Whow are heavy elements distributed in the interior?

# Proto-Solar System



Note: Sizes, number & distribution of planetesimals are poorly known.

# Giant Planet Formation Core Accretion Model

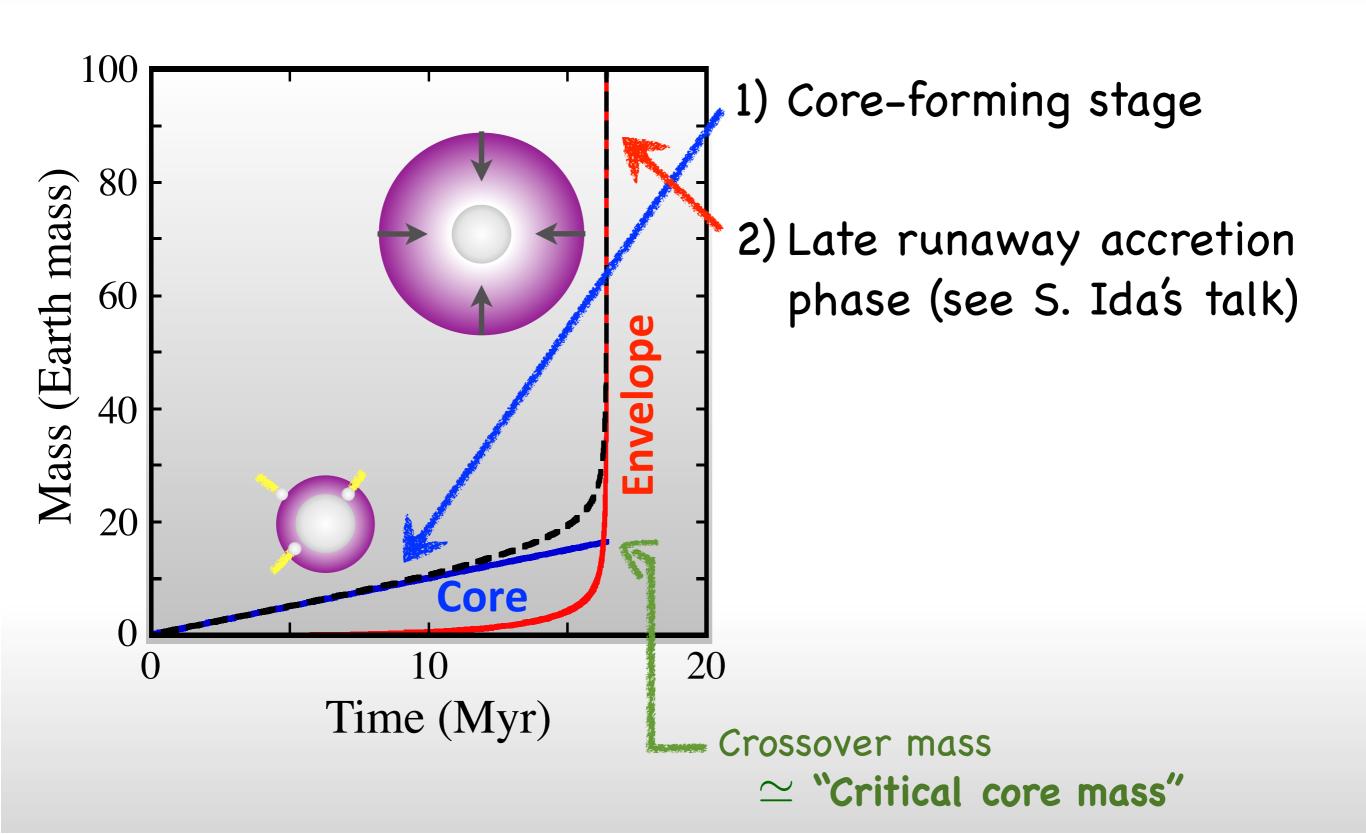


- Growth in separate phases
  - 1) Critical-mass core formation via planetesimal accretion
  - 2)Envelope formation via runaway gas accretion
- At the critical point, the core and envelope masses are comparable with each other.
- Most of the envelope accretes in the runaway gas accretion phase.

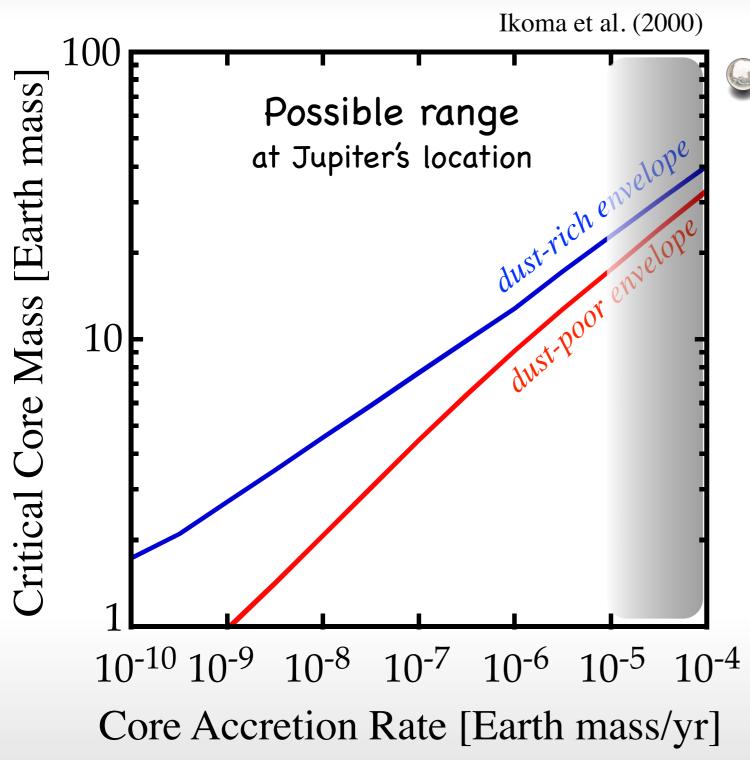
Crossover mass

 $\simeq$  "Critical core mass"

#### When Heavy Elements Accrete?

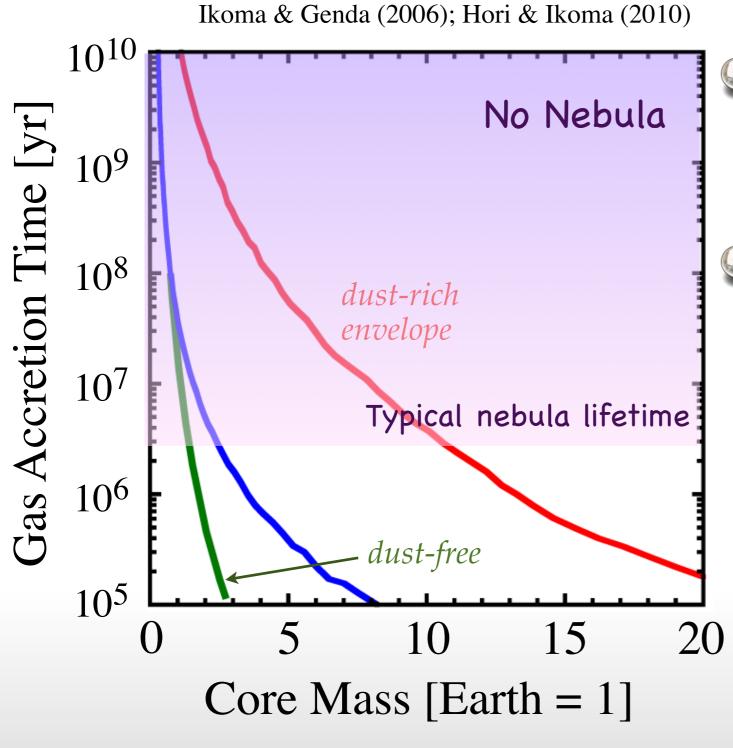


#### Critical Core Mass



- The critical core mass depends on core accretion rate
  - → The mass of the core is linked with planet accretion process

#### Time Constraint



- The gas accretion timescale increases rapidly as the core mass decreases.
- The mass of the core must be more than 1-2 Earth masses; otherwise, the envelope formation is not completed by nebular dispersal.

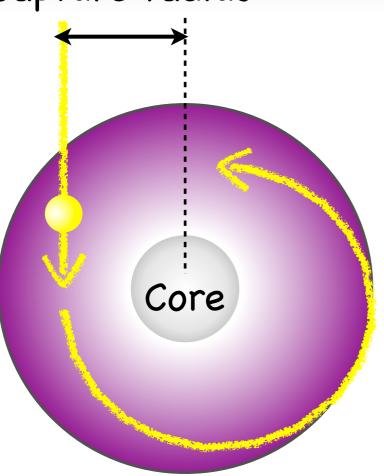
# Planetesimals of small size evaporate on the way toward the core



# Heavy elements are deposited in the envelope → polluting the envelope

## Envelope Pollution

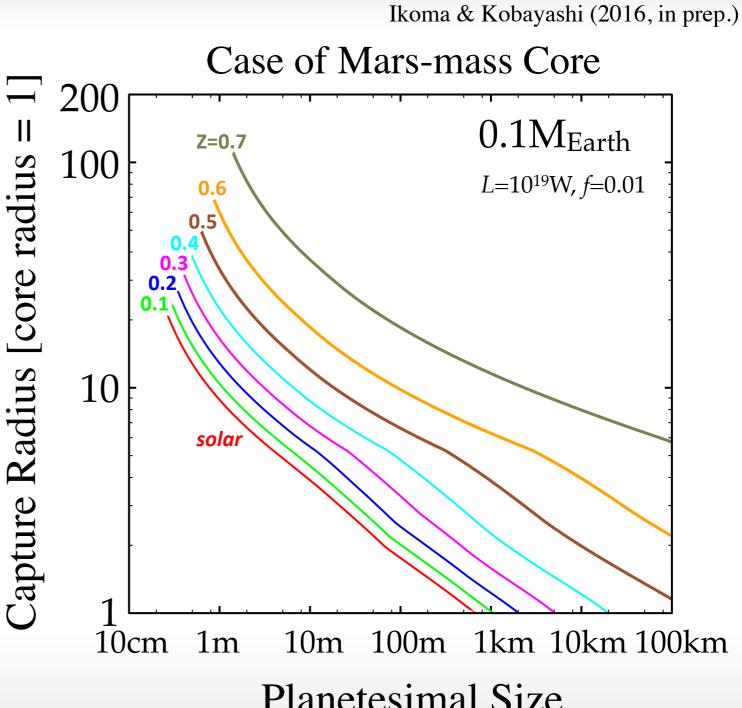
Capture radius



Planetesimals of <~ 100m are captured and ablated in the solar-composition envelope.

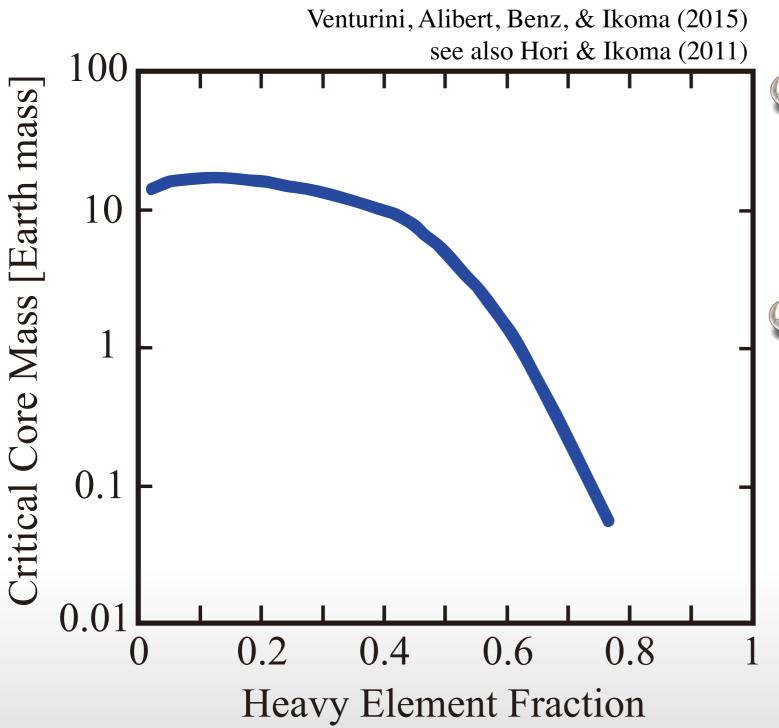
→ polluting the envelope

Capture radius becomes large rapidly with pollution -> polluting the envelope more



Planetesimal Size

# Effect of Envelope Pollution on the critical core mass



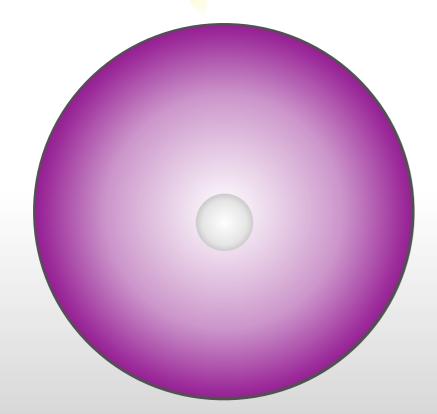
- The critical core mass is reduced greatly by addition of heavy elements in the envelope.
- Highly polluted envelopes result in critical mass of as small as Martian mass.

#### New Picture for Growth

Small core (of e.g. Mars-mass) is surrounded by highly polluted envelope.

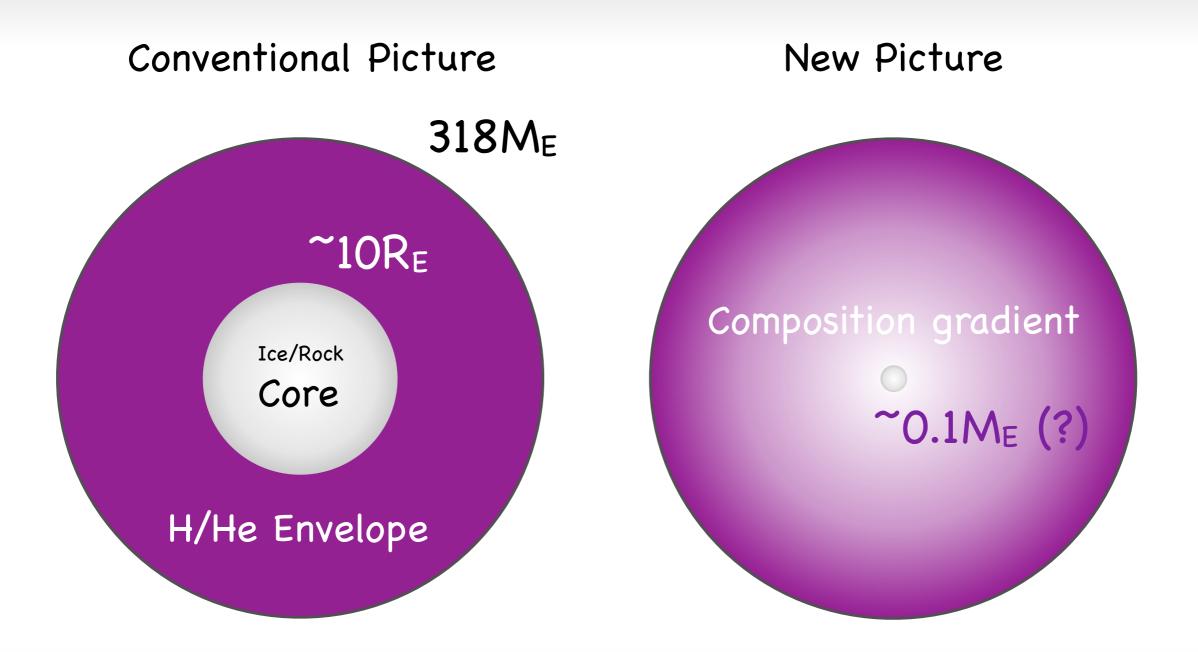
The polluted envelope contracts and collects H/He nebula gas, which results in slowing gas accretion

Gas accretion proceeds in balance with the rate of planetesimal accretion.



Once planetesimal accretion becomes unable to catch up with nebula gas accretion, the nebula gas accretion becomes runaway, forming a massive envelope.

#### Predicted Internal Structure



Other effects to be taken into account

- Late stage solid accretion (see S. Ida's talk)
- Sedimentation or mixing of heavy elements

## Summary

- The amount and distribution of heavy elements in the interior provide important constraints to formation of the giant planets.
- Accurate determination of the core masses is crucial.
- The cores are expected to be very small, above which there is a zone with compositional gradient.
- Effects of late stage solid accretion and secondary mixing must be taken into account to quantify the conclusion.