



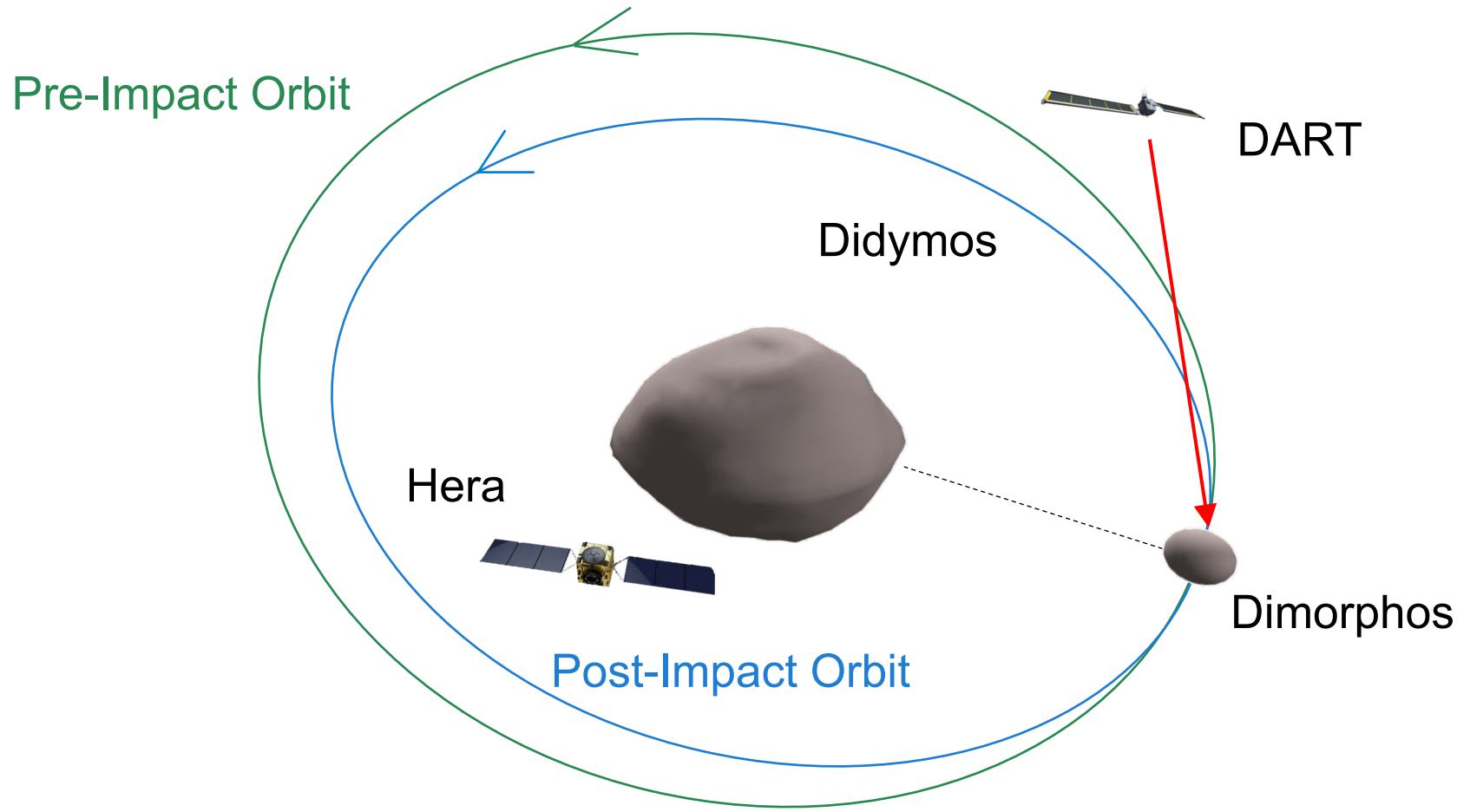
# Energy Dissipation in Didymos Prior to Hera's Arrival

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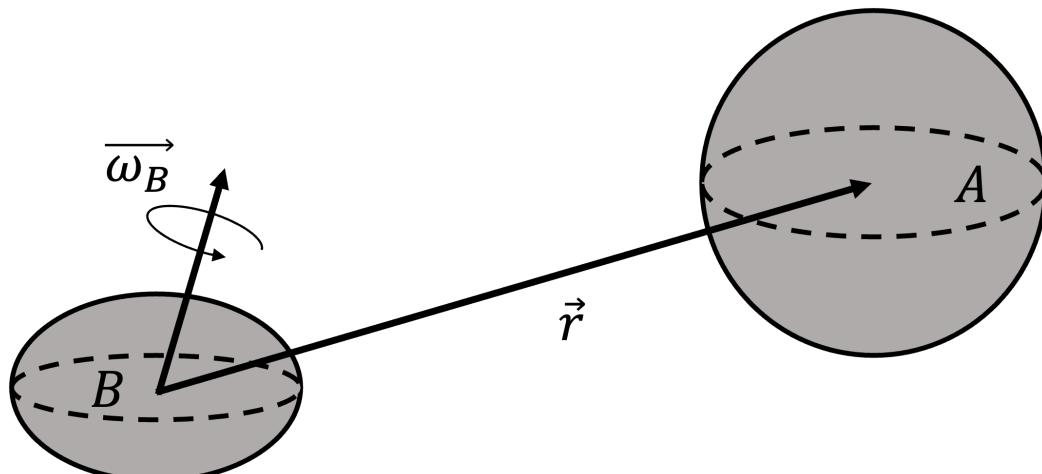
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# Introduction



# Full 2-Body Problem



$$\ddot{\vec{r}} + 2\vec{\omega}_B \times \dot{\vec{r}} + \dot{\vec{\omega}}_B \times \vec{r} + \vec{\omega}_B \times (\vec{\omega}_B \times \vec{r}) = \mathcal{G}(M_A + M_B) \frac{\partial U}{\partial \vec{r}}$$

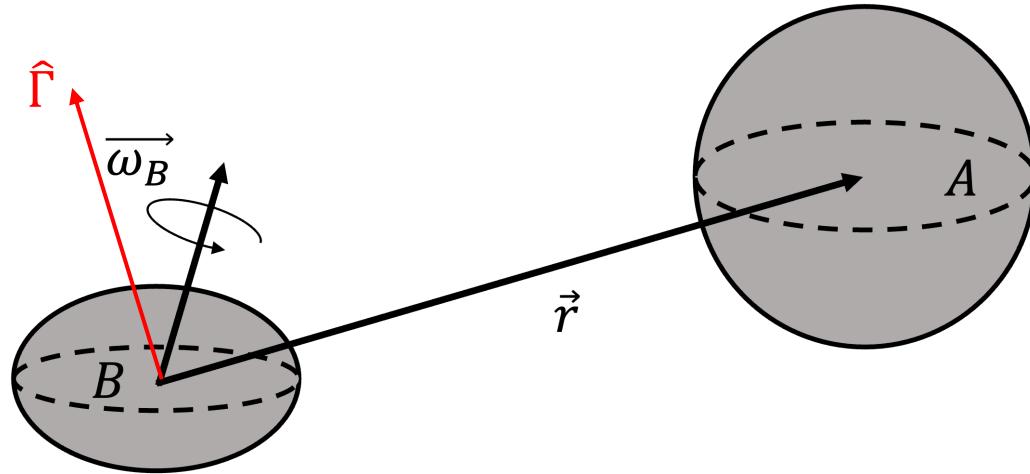
$$\mathbf{I}_B \cdot \dot{\vec{\omega}}_B + \vec{\omega}_B \times \mathbf{I}_B \cdot \vec{\omega}_B = -\mathcal{G}M_AM_B\vec{r} \times \frac{\partial U}{\partial \vec{r}}$$

$$U = -\frac{\mathcal{G}M_AM_B}{r} - \frac{\mathcal{G}M_A(A + B + C - 3\Phi)}{2r^3}$$

$$\Phi = \frac{Ax^2 + By^2 + Cz^2}{r^2}$$

# Tidal Torque

$$\Gamma_i = -\text{sign}(\omega_i - \omega_{orb}) \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{3}{4\kappa\rho_i} \right)^2 \frac{GM_A^2 M_B^2}{r^6 R_i} \frac{k_i}{Q_i}$$



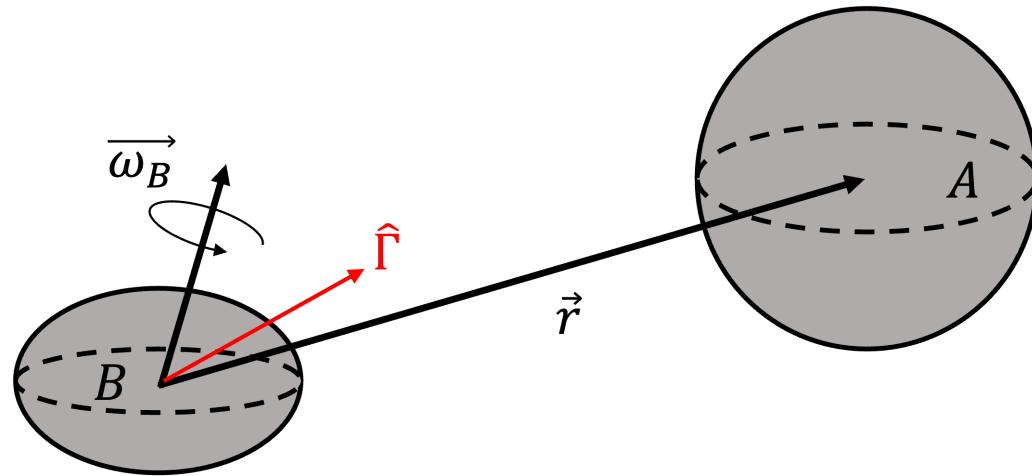
$$\dot{\phi} = \omega_i - \omega_{orb}.$$

$$\hat{\Gamma}_i = -\frac{\dot{\phi} - (\dot{\phi} \cdot \hat{r})\hat{r}}{|\dot{\phi} - (\dot{\phi} \cdot \hat{r})\hat{r}|}$$

Murray & Dermott, 1999  
Vokrouhlický et al, 2007

# NPA Rotation

$$\dot{E}_{NPA} = \frac{a^4 \rho M_B \tilde{\omega}_B^5}{\mu Q} \Psi$$



$$\kappa = \mathbf{H}_B \times \hat{z}$$

$$\hat{\Gamma} = \frac{\mathbf{H}_B \times \kappa}{|\mathbf{H}_B \times \kappa|}$$

Breiter et al, 2012

# Tidal Parameters

Tidal quality number  $Q$

Tidal Love number  $k$

Lamé constant  $\mu$



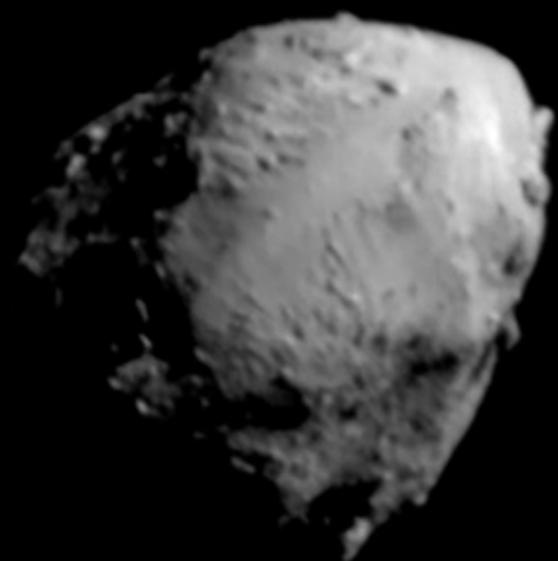
Related in basic tidal theory

No strong constraints: treat as unknowns

Likely range for  $\frac{Q}{k}$ :  $10^3 - 10^6$

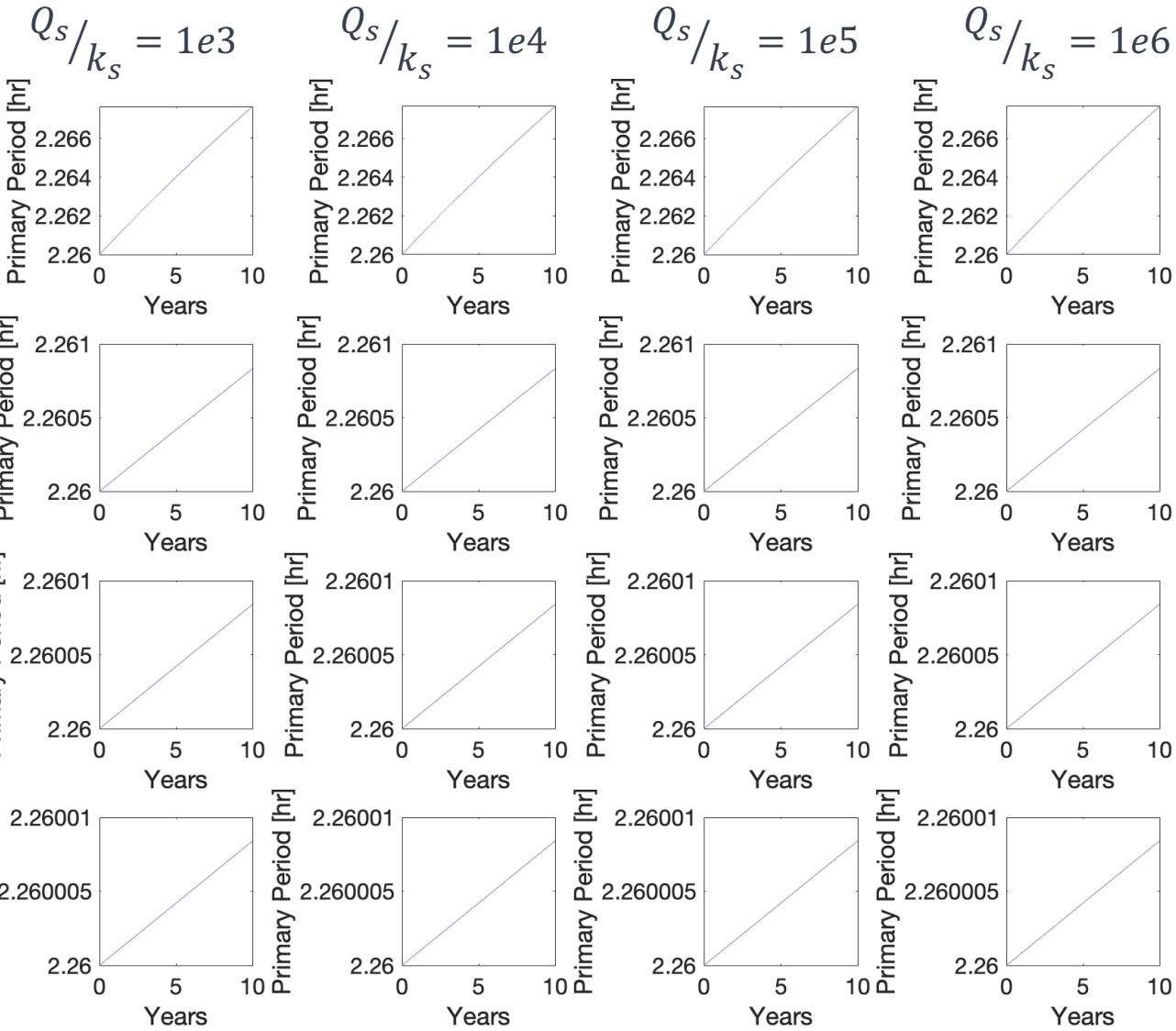
Nimmo & Matsuyama, 2019  
Goldreich & Sari, 2009

# Primary Rotation

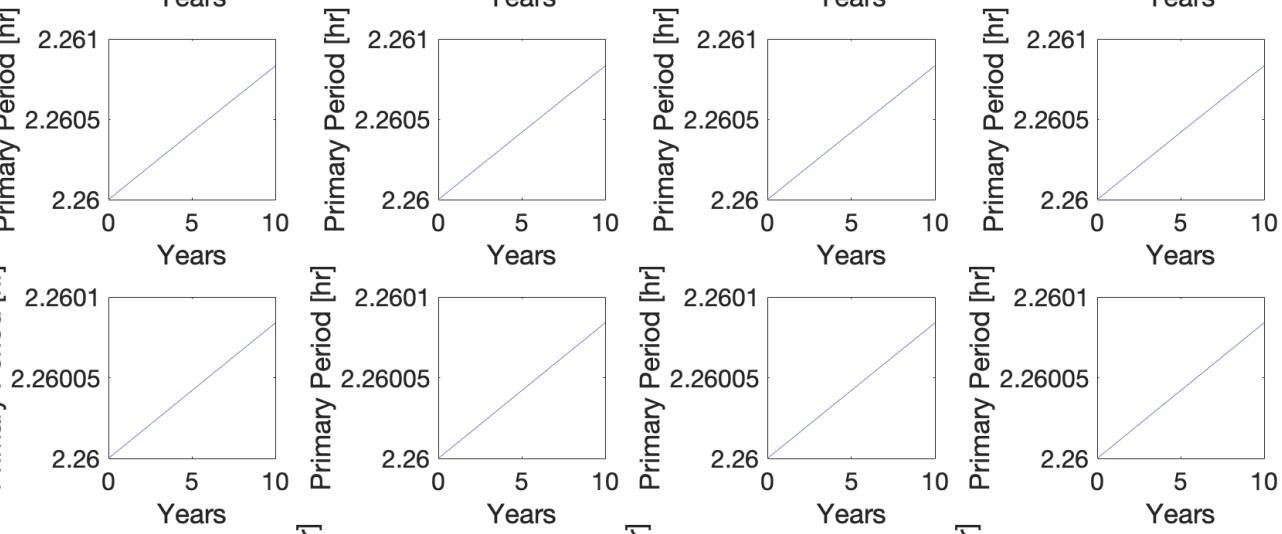


# Spin Period

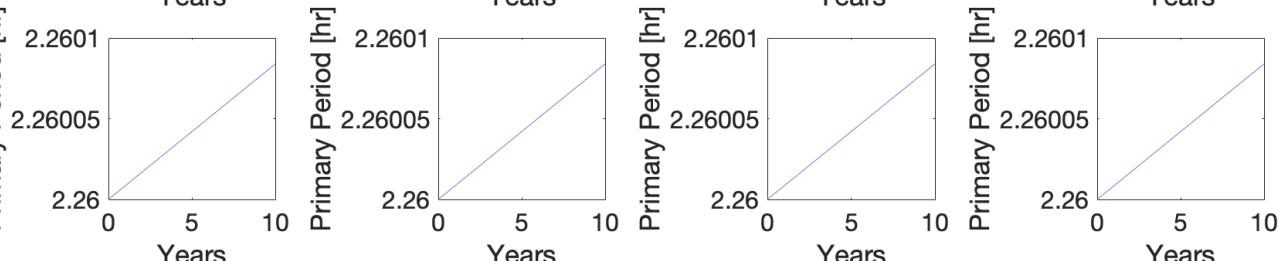
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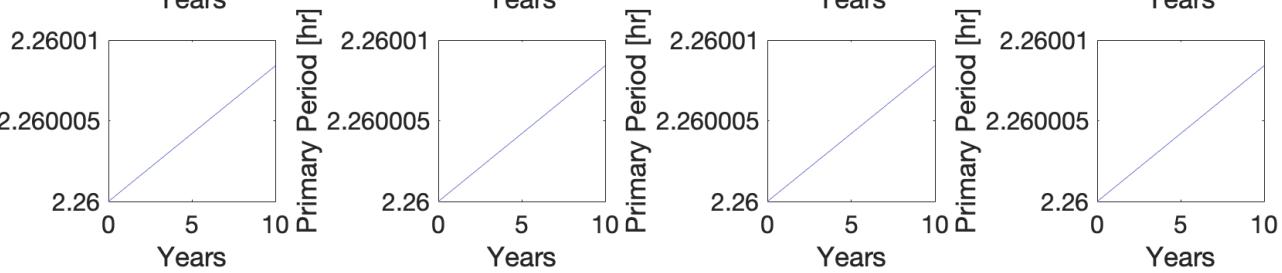
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$$Q_p/k_p = 1e5$$



$$Q_p/k_p = 1e6$$



# Spin Period

Observations  
reasonably rule out

$$Q_p/k_p = 1e3$$

$$Q_s/k_s = 1e3$$

$$Q_s/k_s = 1e4$$

$$Q_s/k_s = 1e5$$

$$Q_s/k_s = 1e6$$

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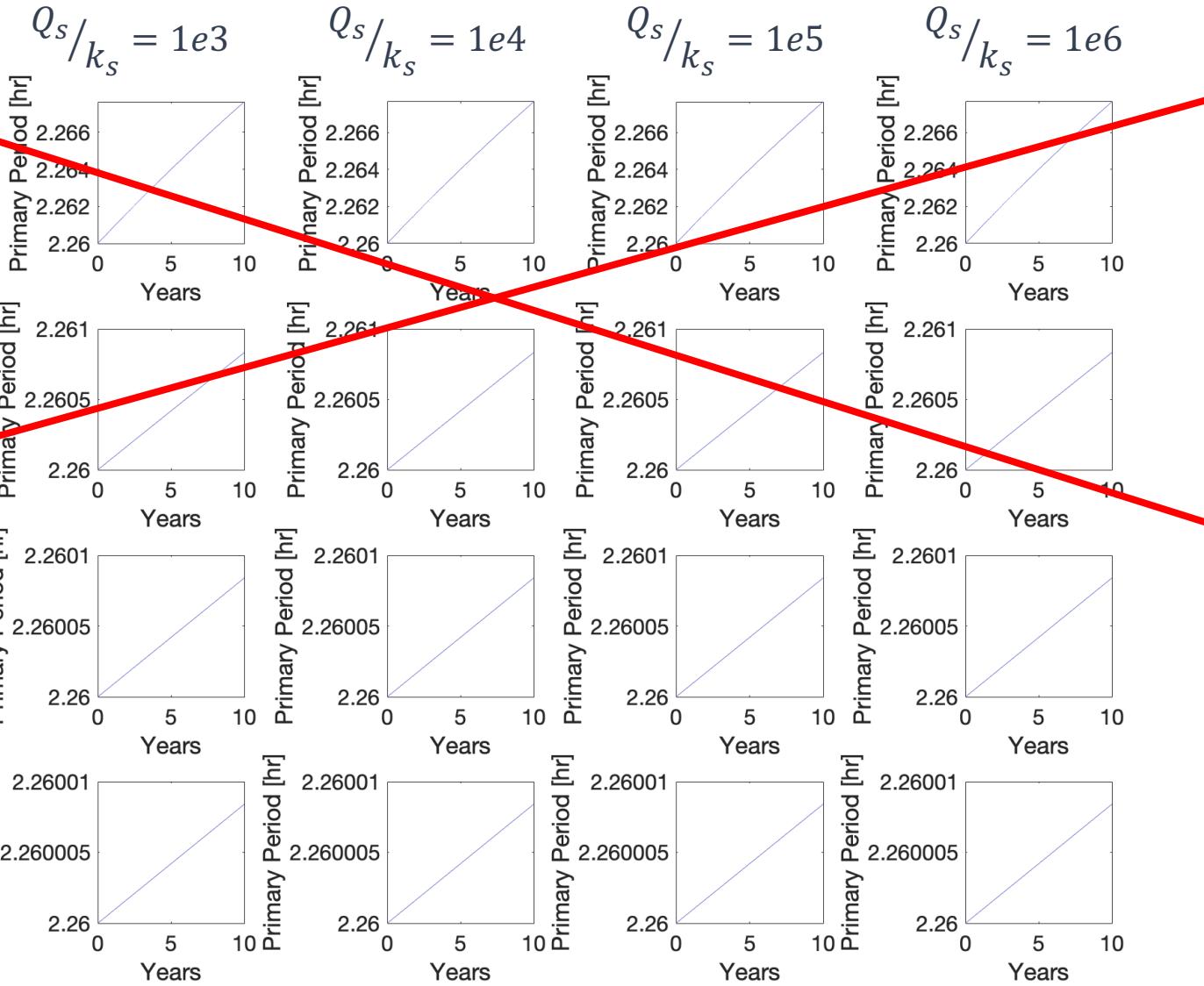
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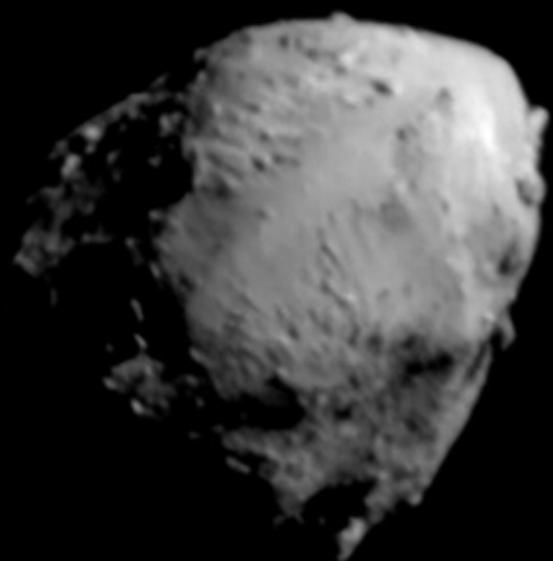
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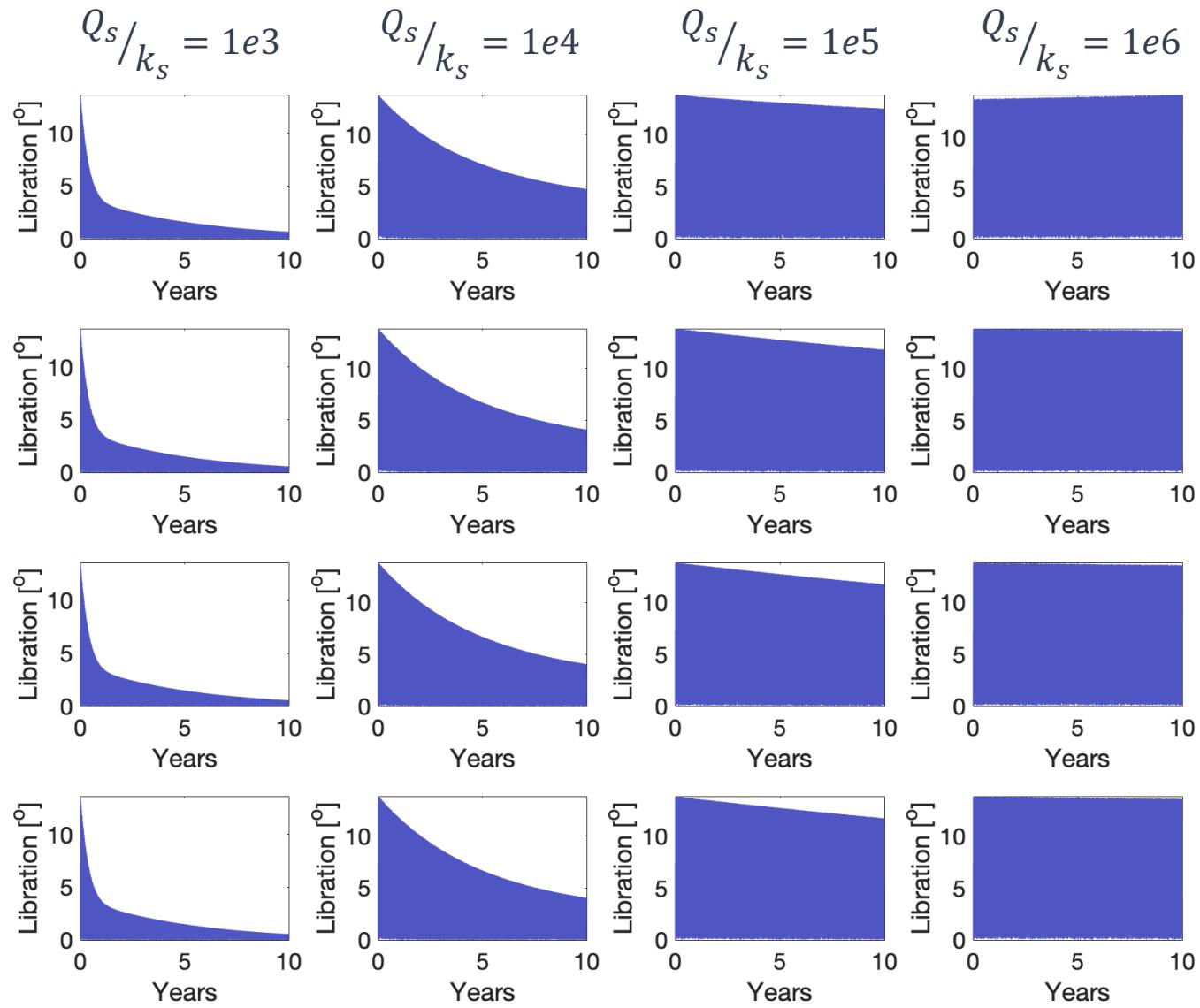


# Stable Libration



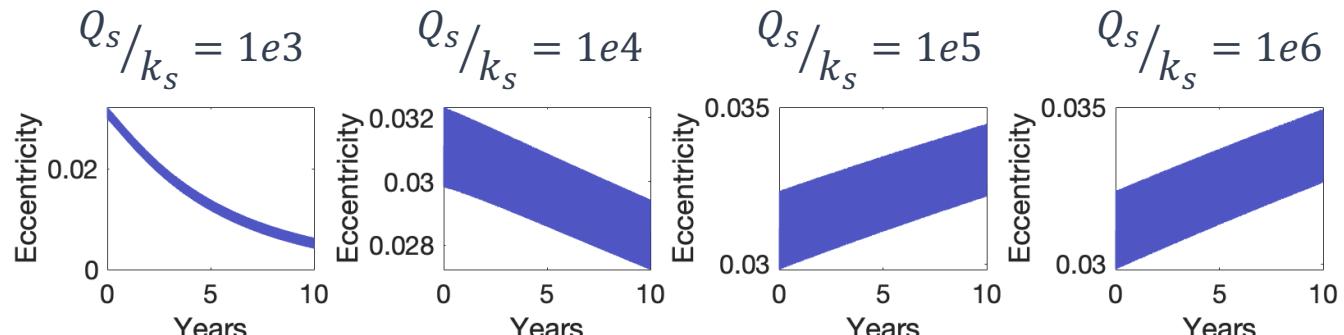
# Libration

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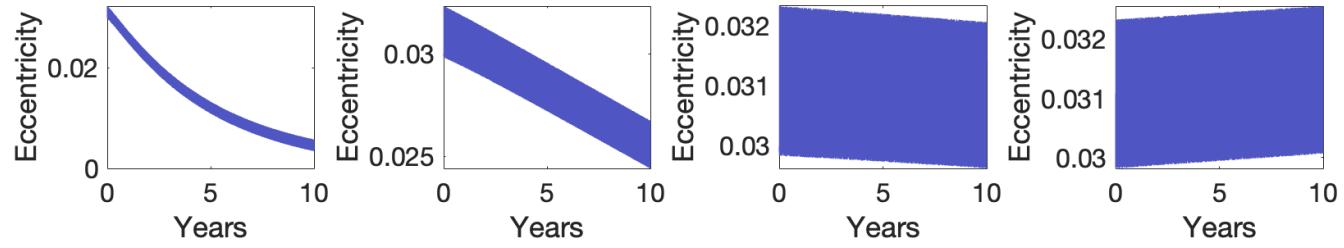


# Eccentricity

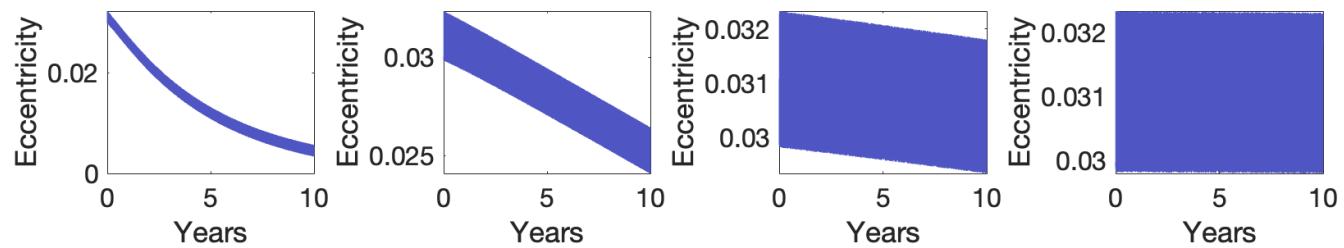
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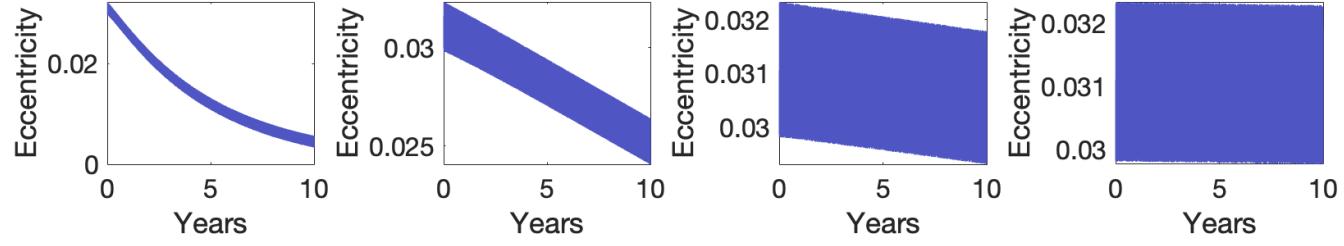
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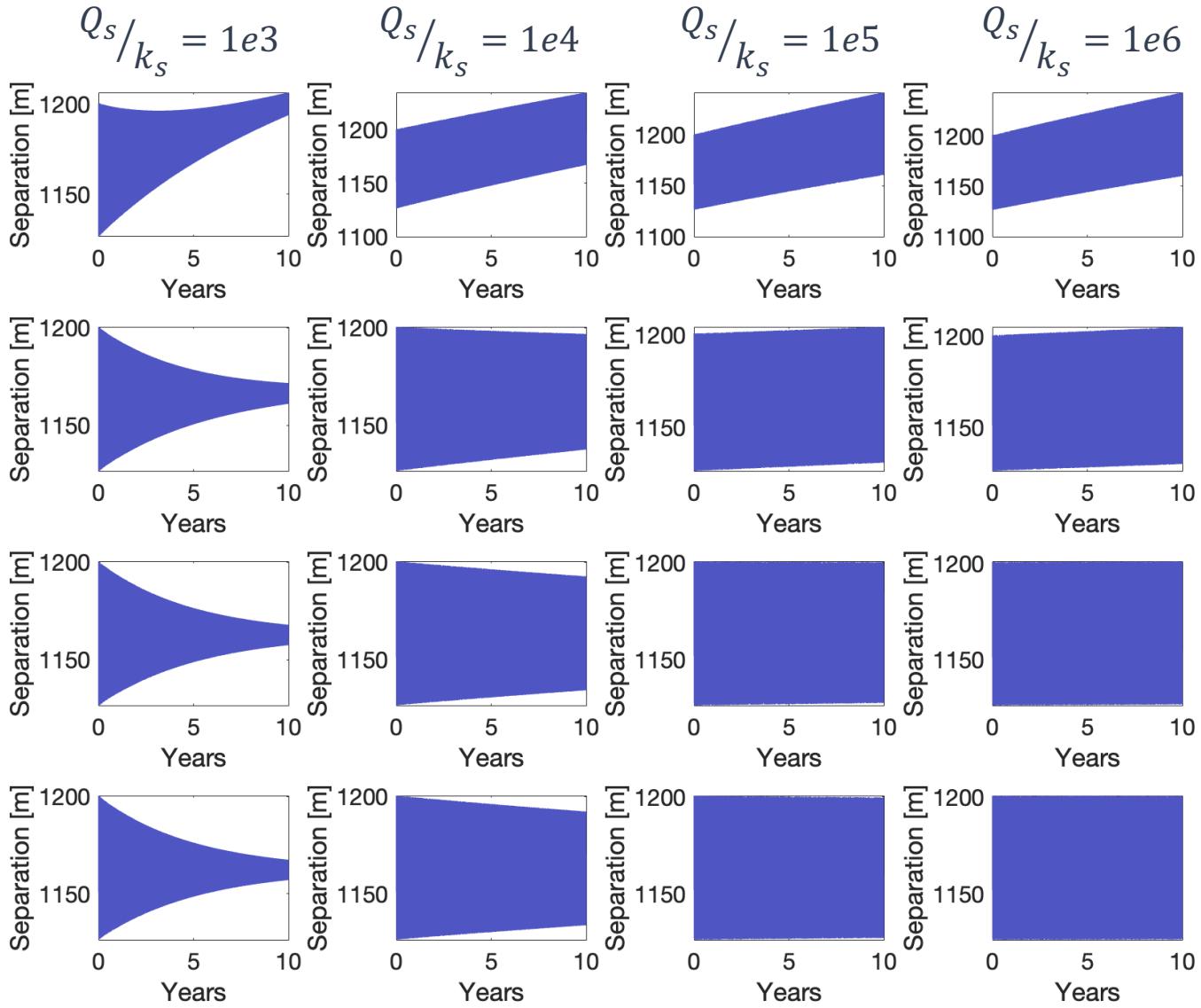


$$Q_p/k_p = 1e6$$



# Separation

$$Q_p/k_p = 1e3$$



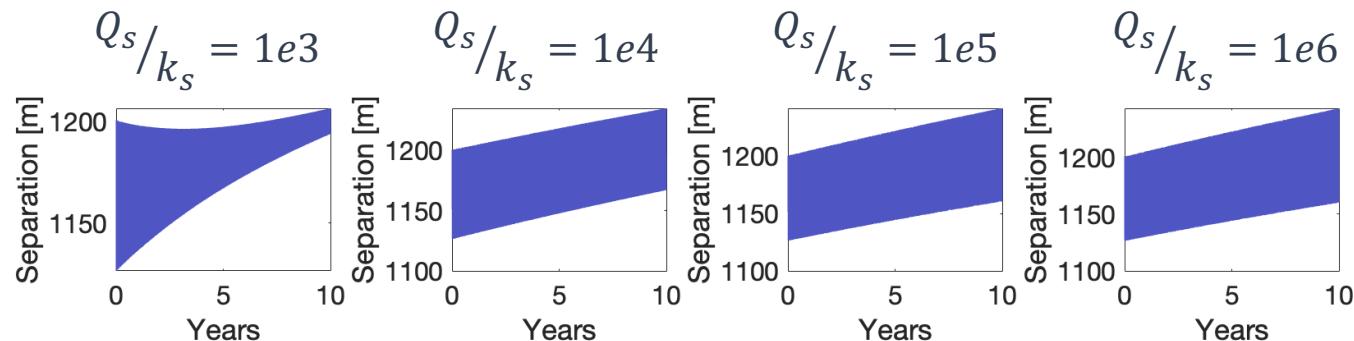
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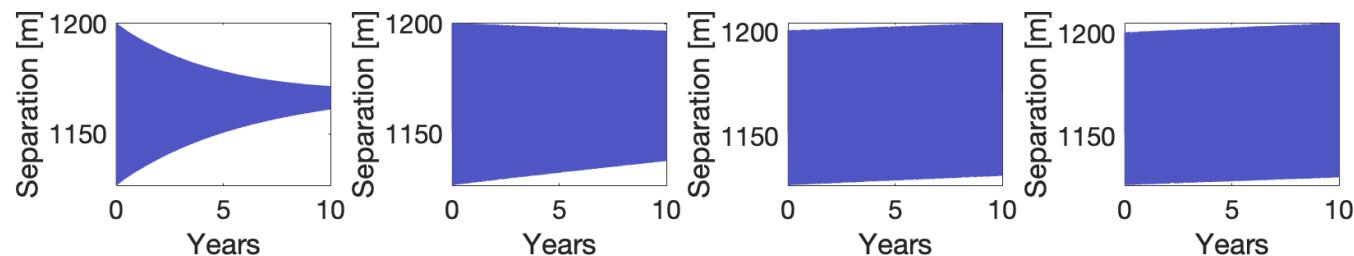
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$$\dot{a} > \dot{e}$$

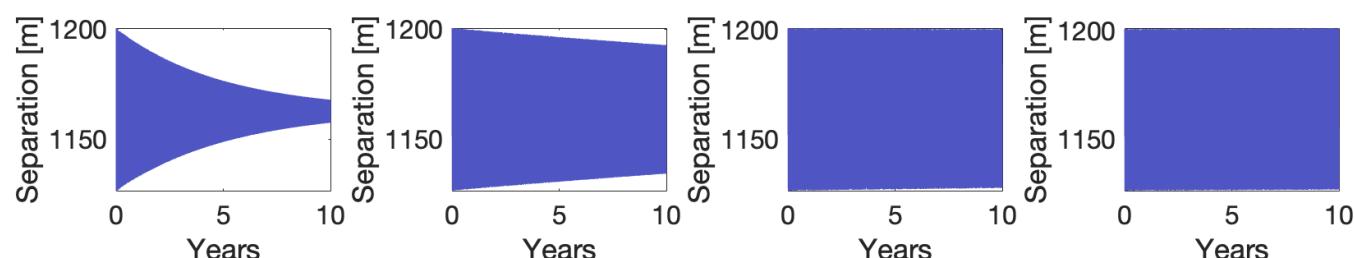
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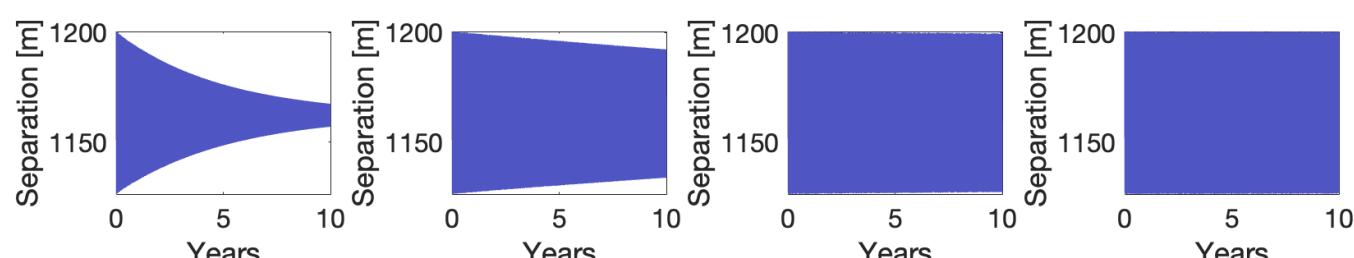
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$$\dot{e} > \dot{a}$$

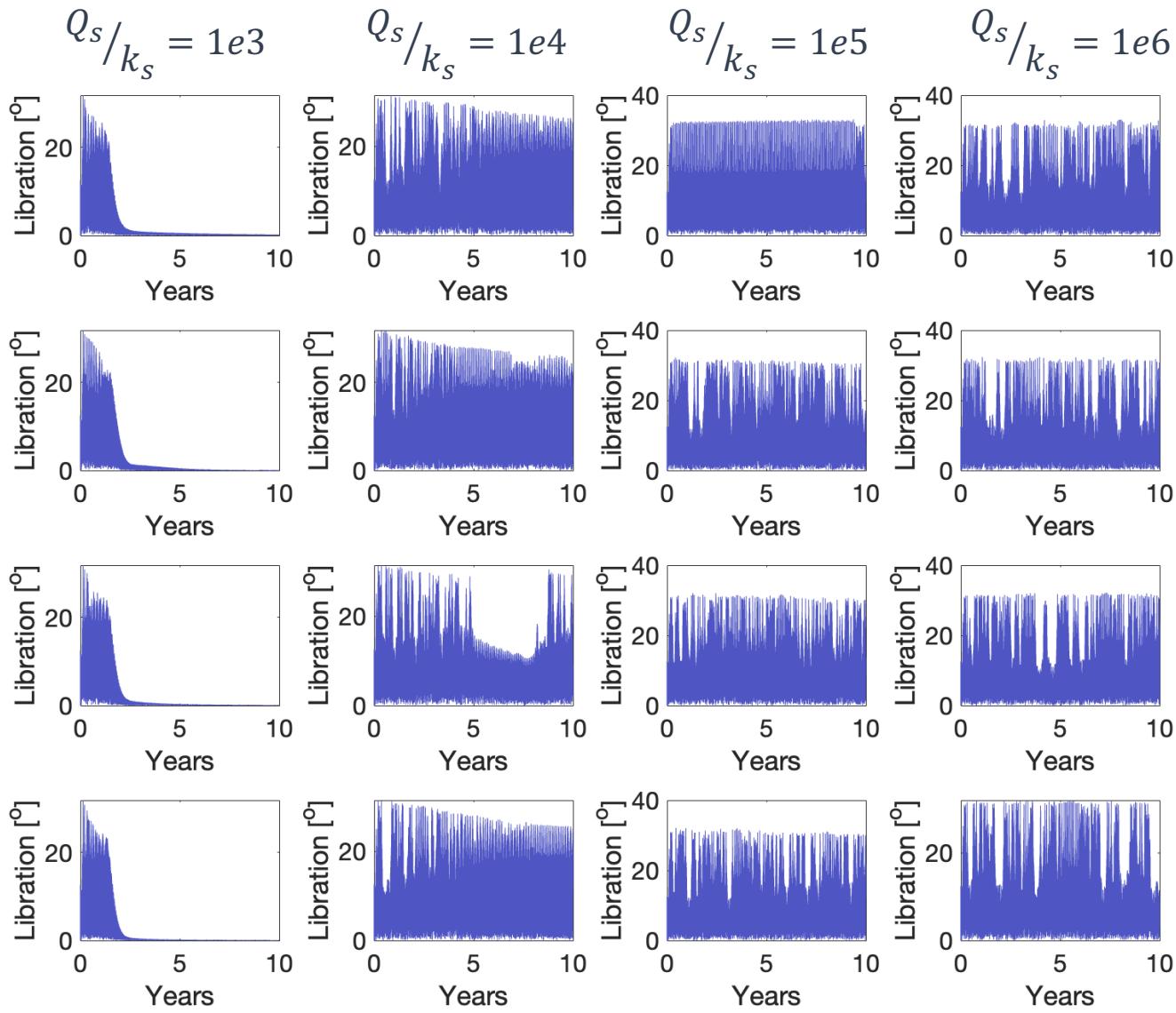


# Tumbling



# Libration

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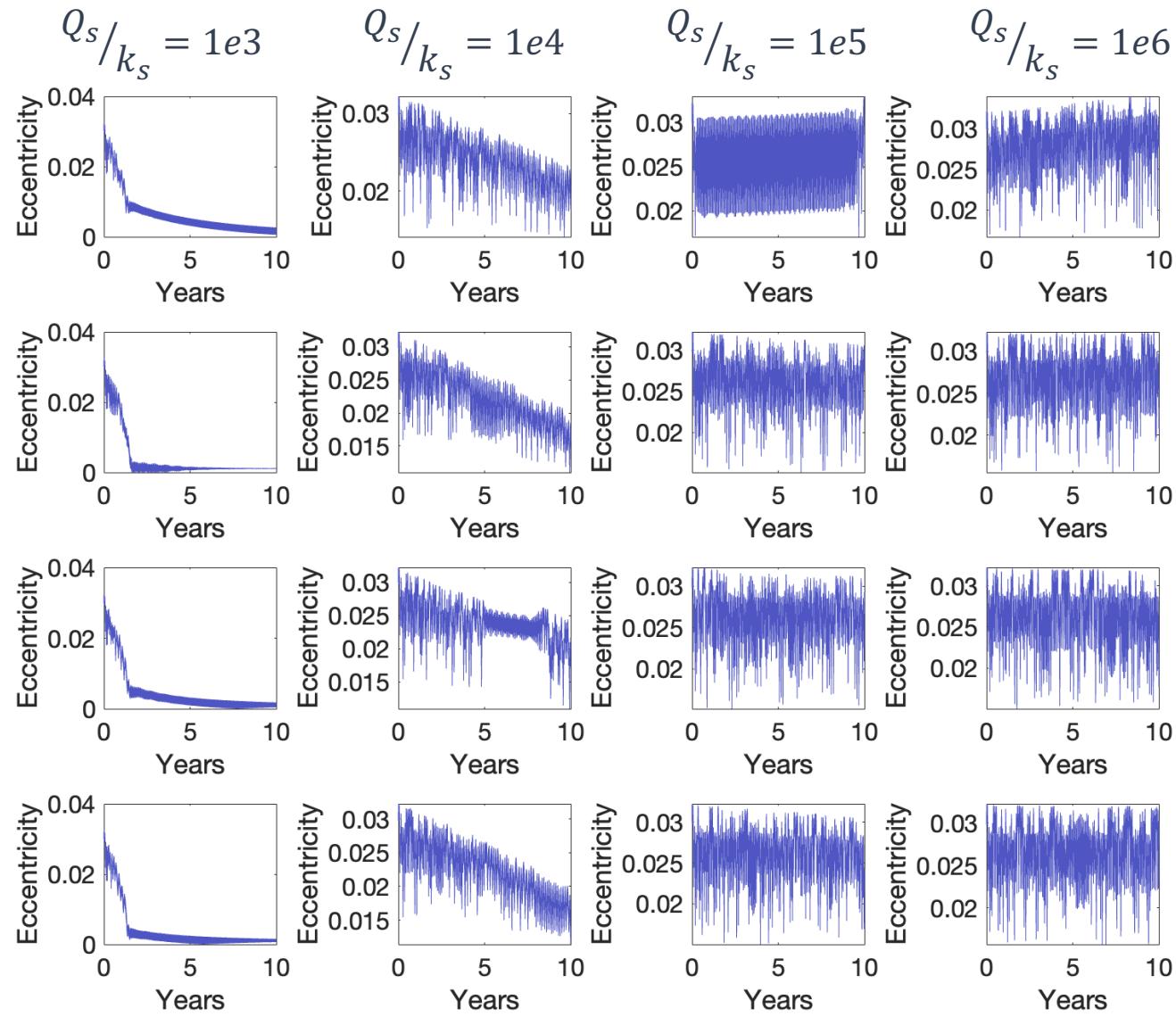
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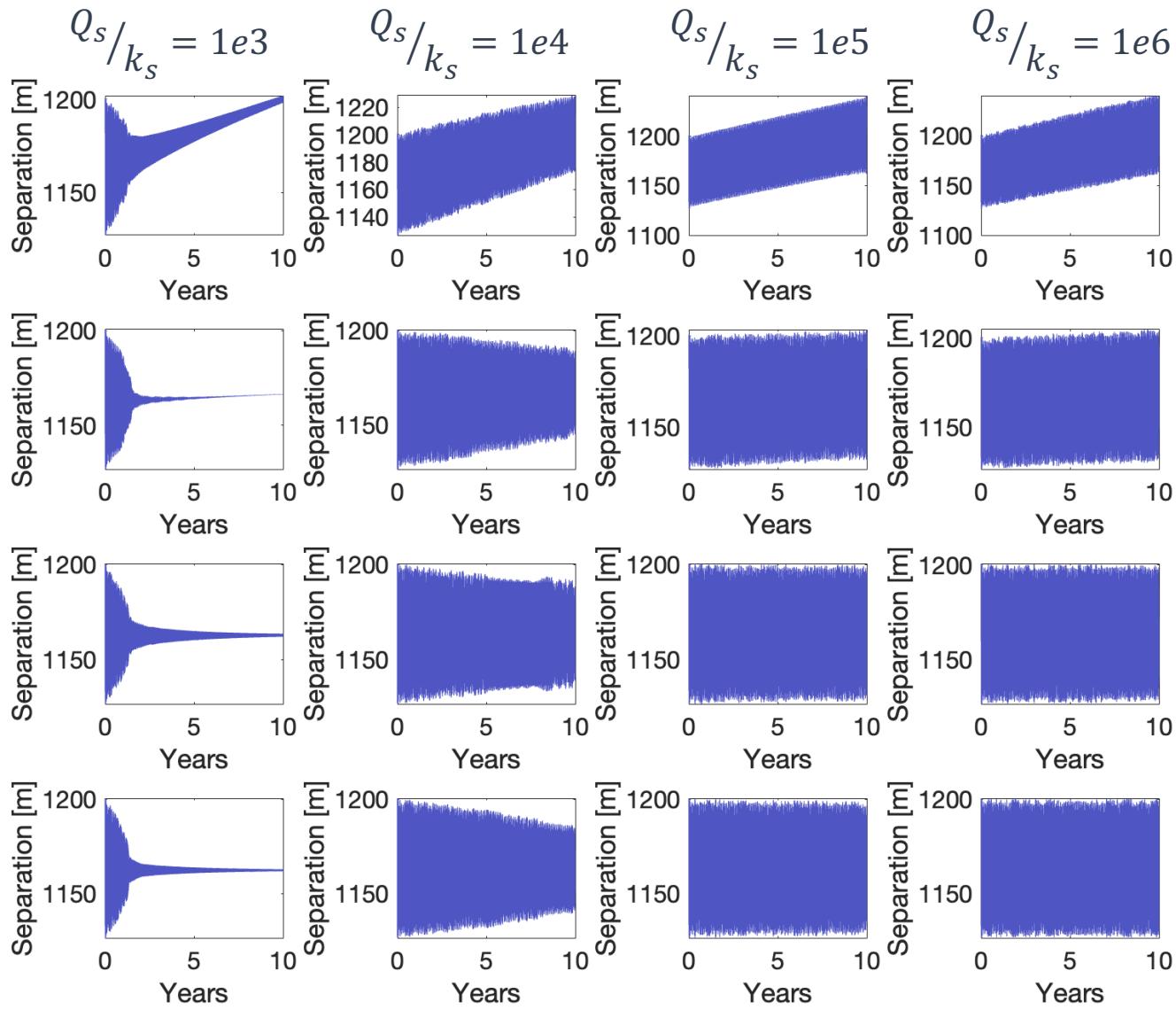
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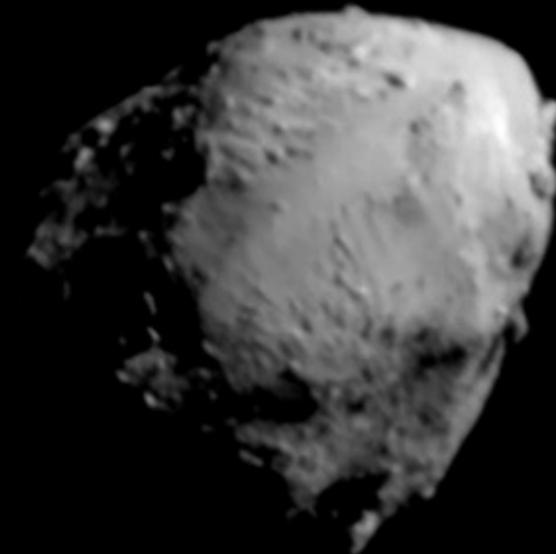
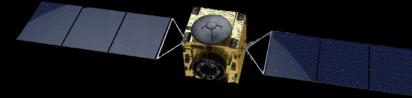
# Separation

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# What Will Hera See?



# Hera Mission

Key measurements:

Libration amplitude

Separation distance

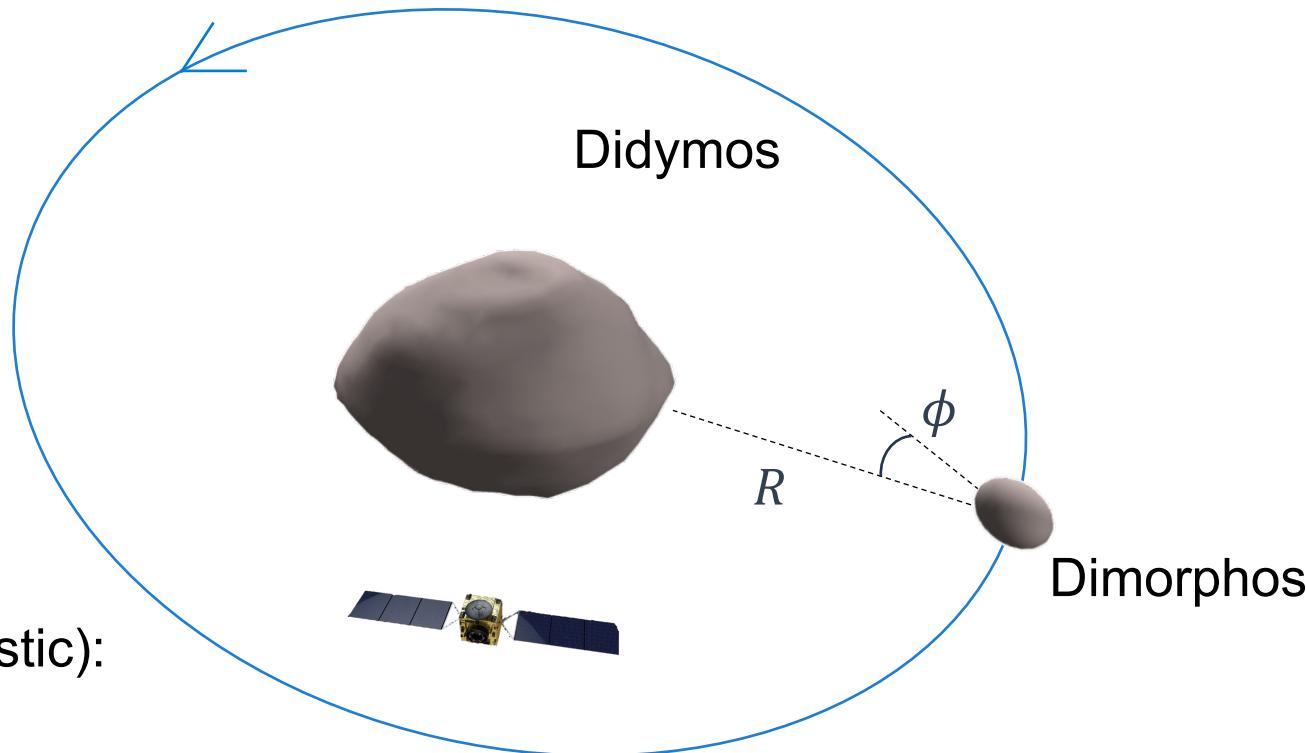
Is dissipation observable?

Measurement accuracy (optimistic):

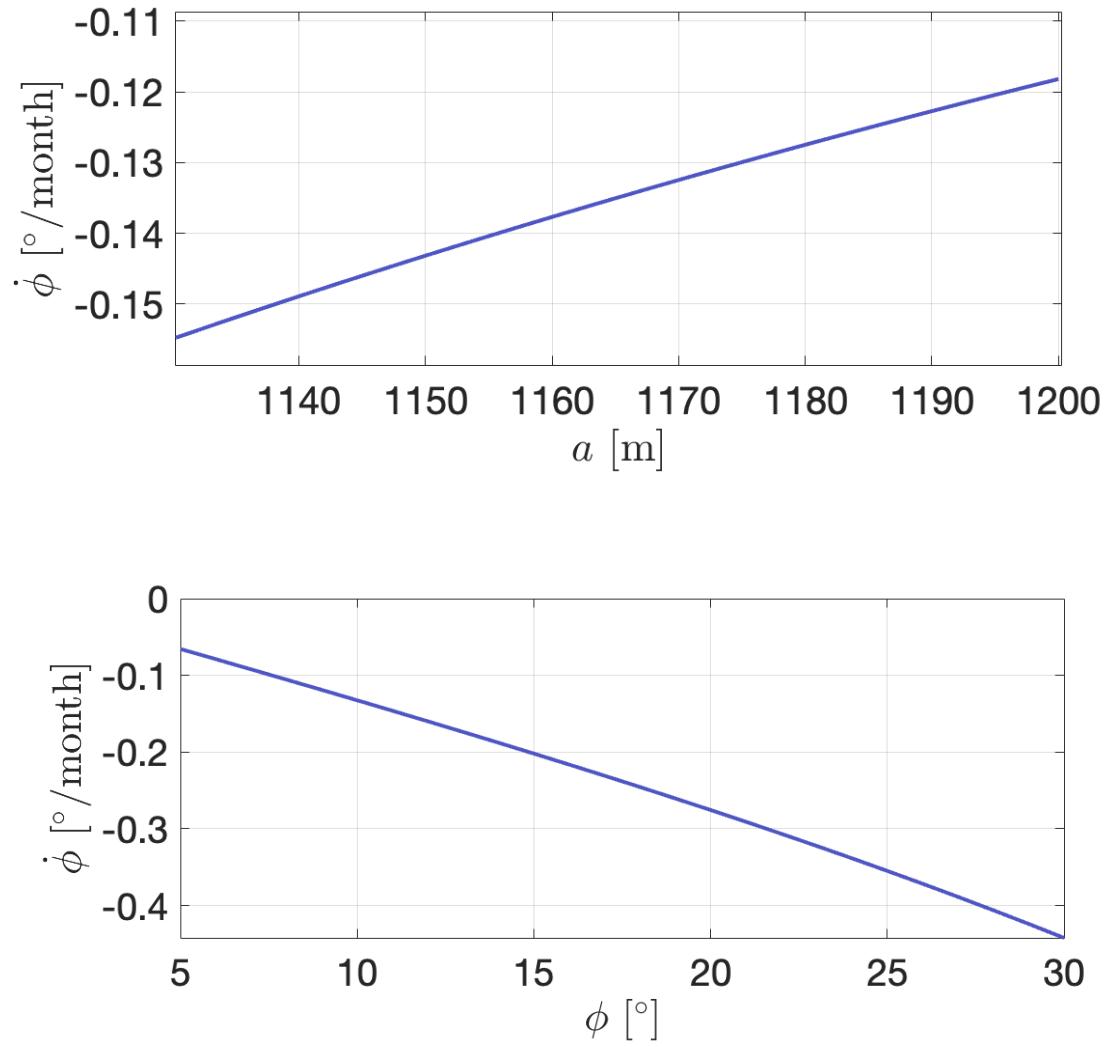
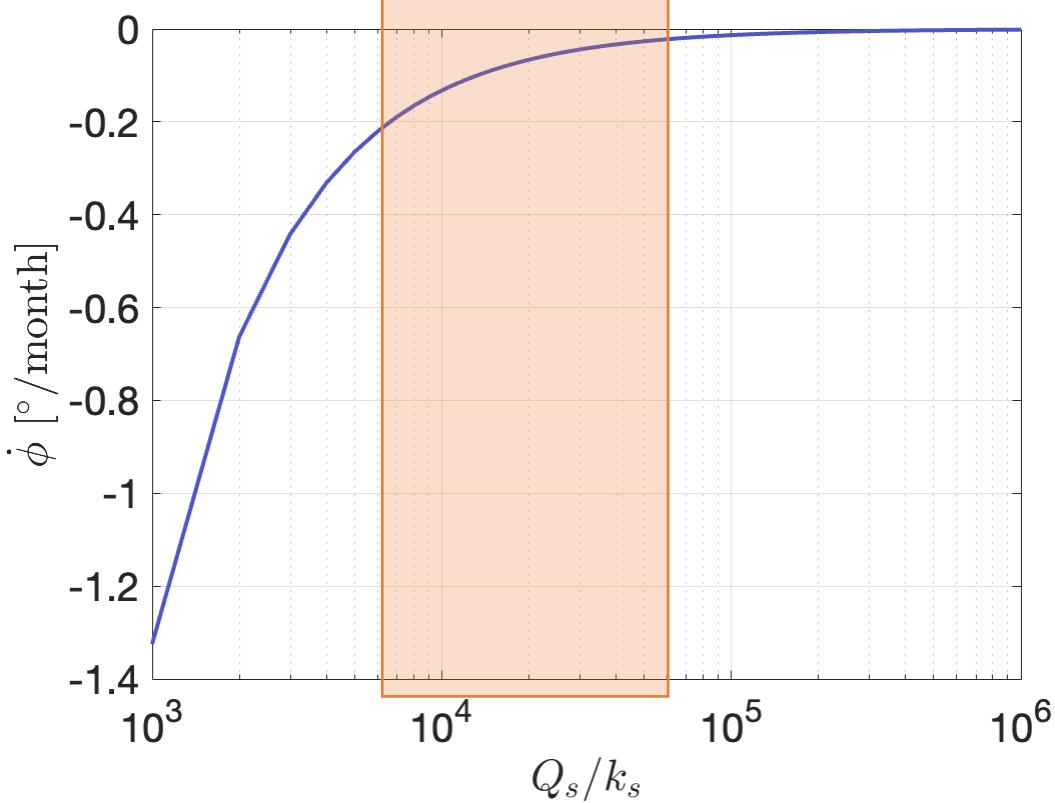
~1 deg libration angle\*

~0.1 m separation\*

\*Hera requirements document



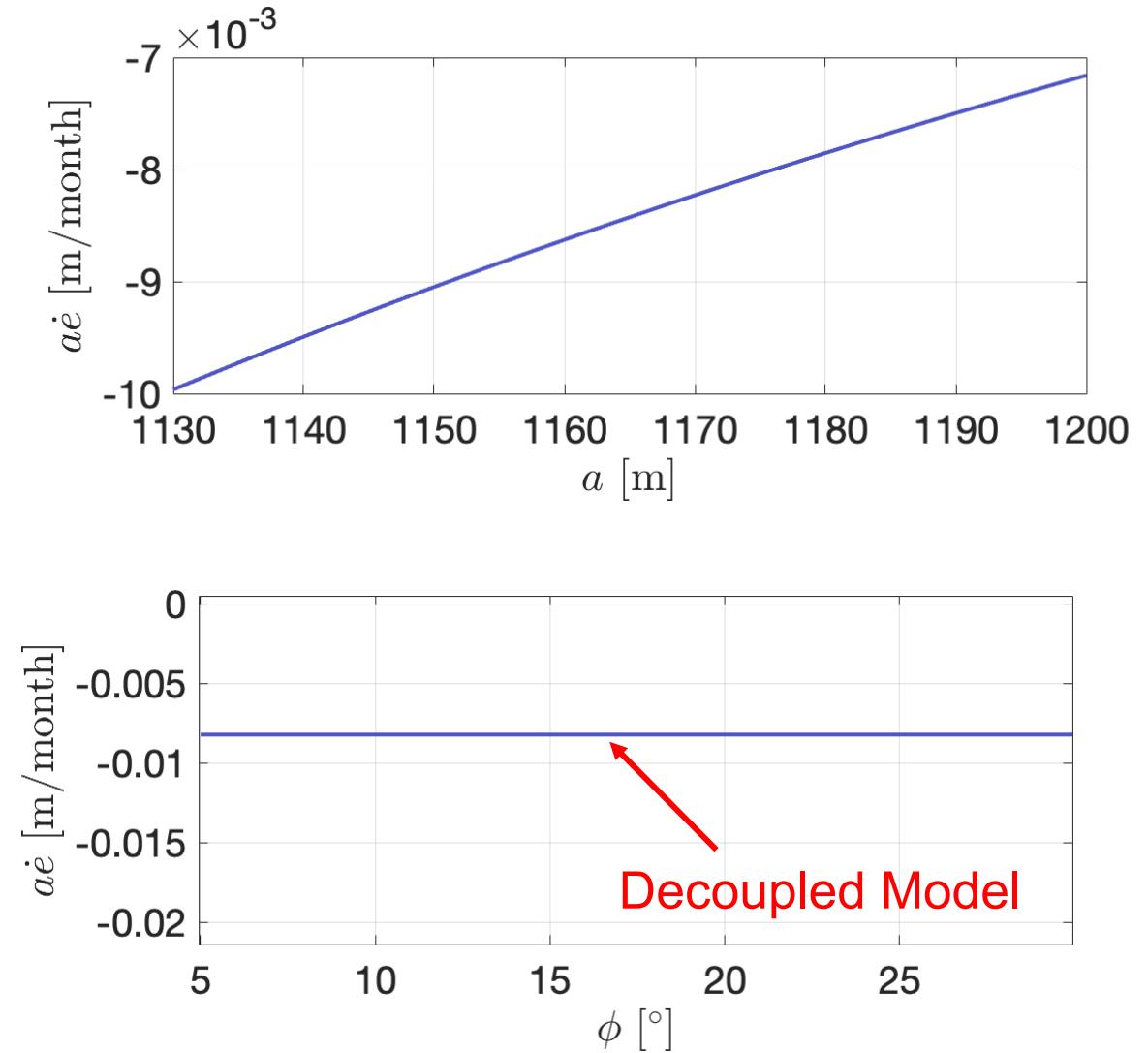
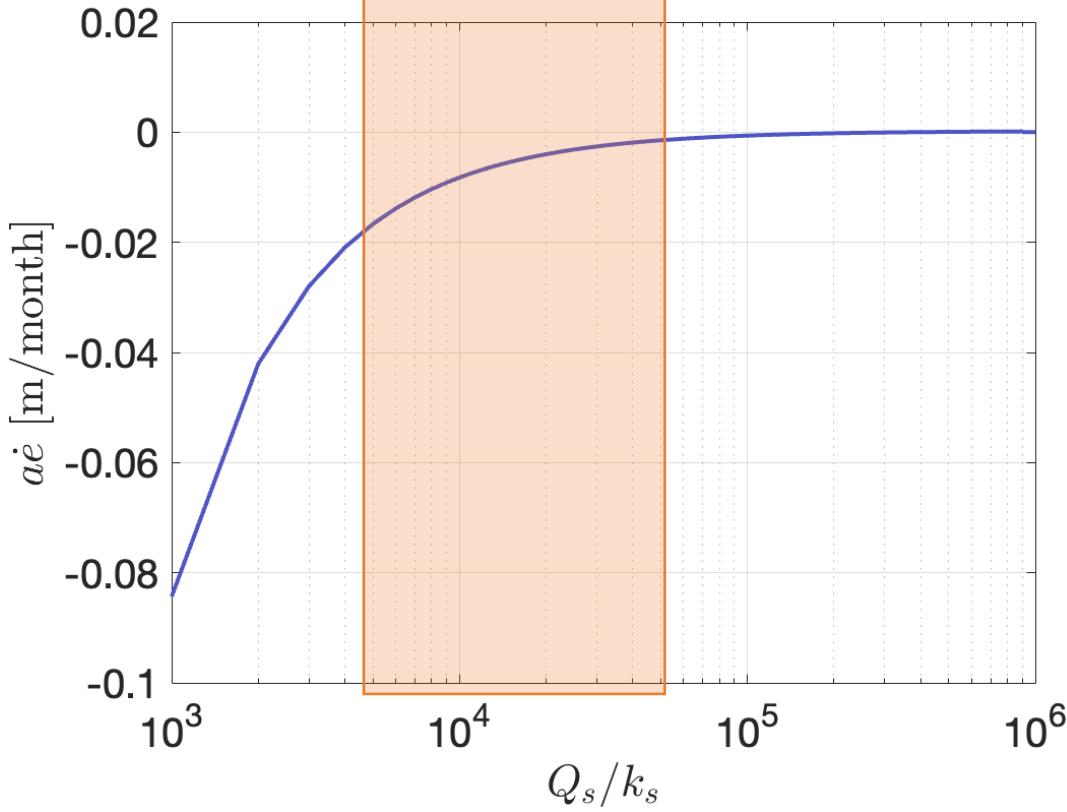
# Libration Damping



Jacobson et al, 2014  
Jacobson & Scheeres, 2011



# Eccentricity Damping



Jacobson et al, 2014  
Jacobson & Scheeres, 2011

# Hera Mission

Planned 6 month mission

Measurement accuracy (optimistic):

~1 deg libration angle\*

~0.1 m separation\*

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Potential first measurement of  
small body dissipation

Primary parameters are  
likely unobservable

More difficult if tumbling

