

Magmatic connections:

The interplay of magmatic systems with their crustal containers



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Supplemental Reading: Dufek, Huber and Karlstrom, Chpt. 2.
Magma chamber dynamics and thermodynamics,
Modeling Volcanic Processes: The Physics and Mathematics of Volcanism

Questions:

- **What is the flux of mass and enthalpy of melt into the crust, and what does this imply for long term continental growth?**

Thermal aspects and melting efficiency

- **By what means and rates is melt separated from its residue?**

Efficiency of melt-crystal dynamics

- **What is the nature of the volcanic-plutonic connection?**

A link between complimentary outcrops?

- **How much do chamber and eruptive processes mix material?**

Interpretation of outcrops and deposits



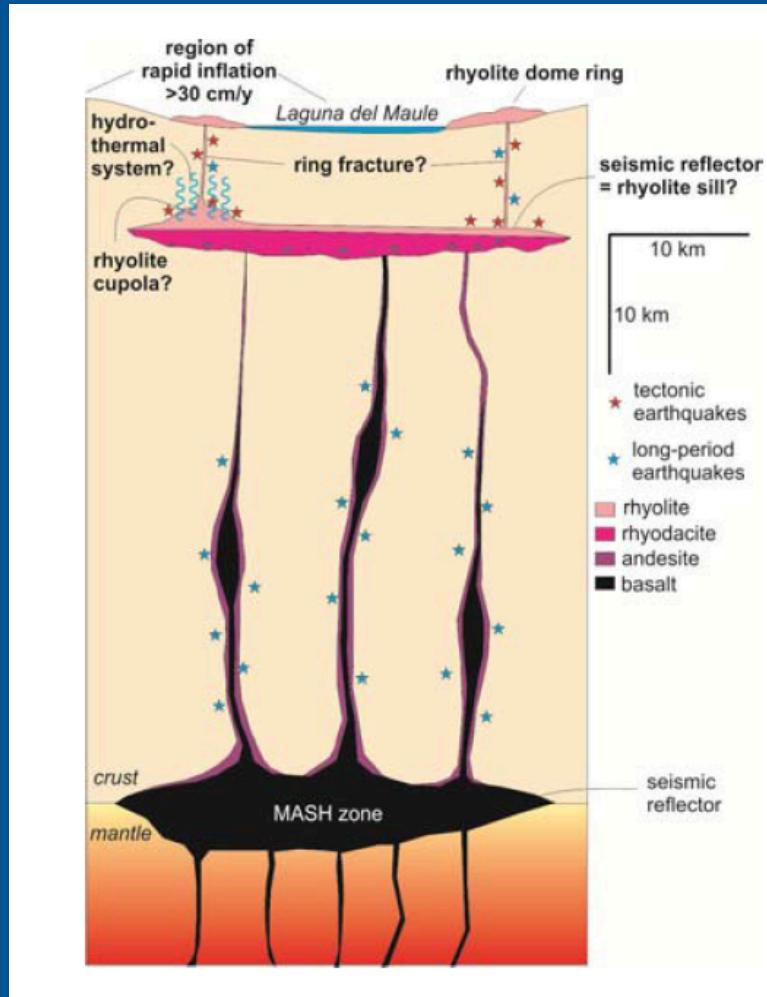
Outline:

1. Magma chambers in context
2. Thermal system
3. Intro/thermodynamics
4. Surrounding stresses
5. Multiphase Dynamics/Melt Evolution
6. Link to eruptive dynamics
7. Some persistent open questions

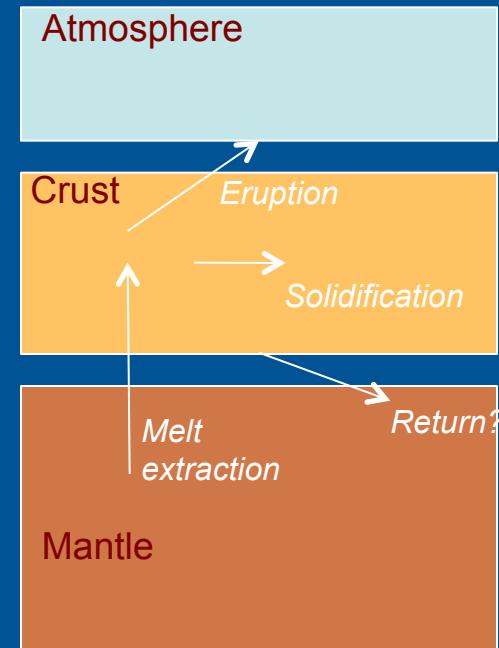


Silas Canyon, Wy (Dufek, 2012)

The advection of mass and heat from mantle melts ultimately drives crustal magmatism



Singer et al. 2013



Magma Chambers/intrusions influence:

1. Compositional diversity of the crust
2. Physical properties of the crust
3. Staging region for accumulation of magmas prior to eruption
4. Concentrating incompatible elements and relationships to ore deposits

Modern approaches have focused on examining two parallel sources of data

Plutons



Volcanic deposits

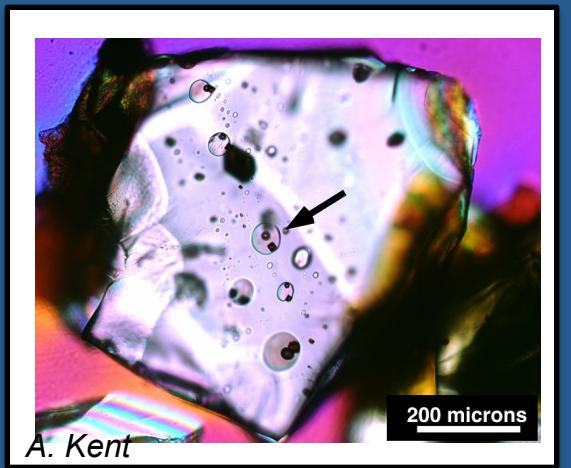
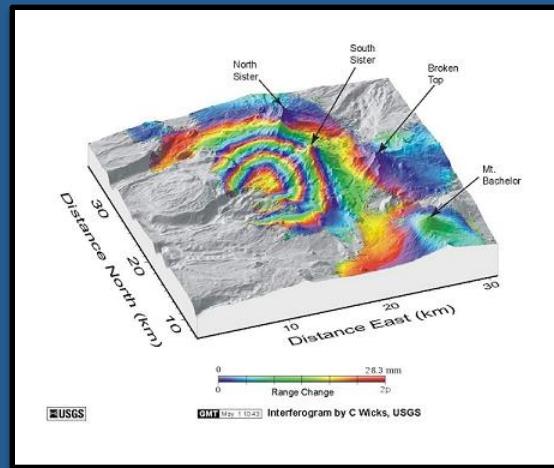
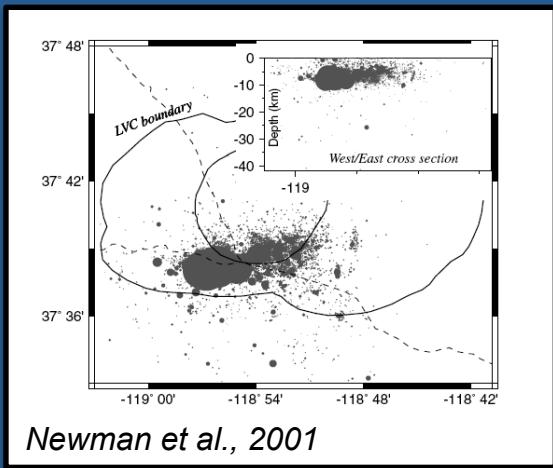
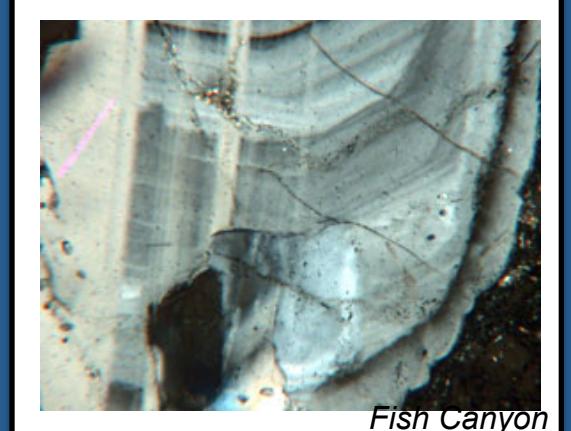
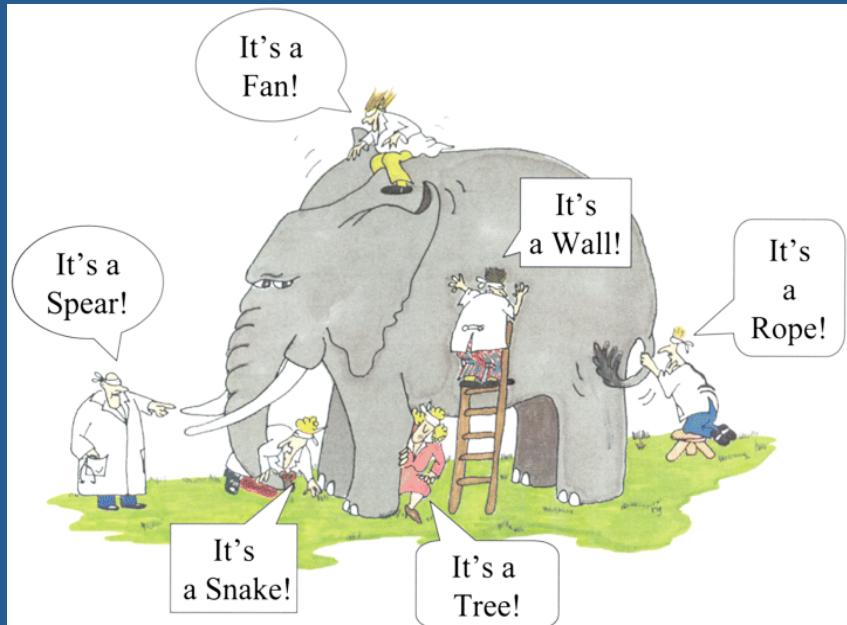


Preserves an integrated record

Closer to instantaneous
snap-shot

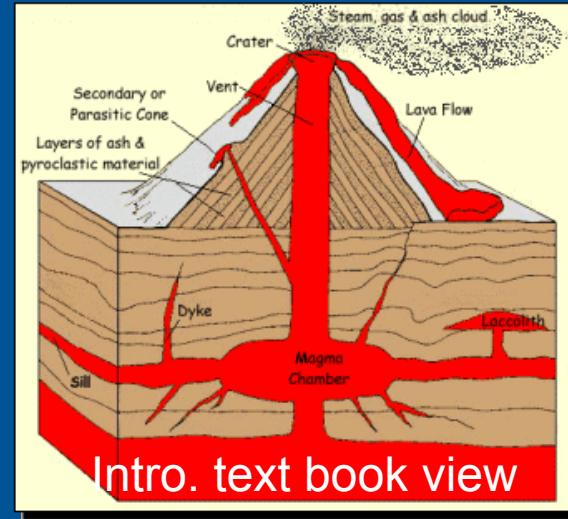
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Connections?

Magmatic processes are recorded across a range of length and timescales



What is a magma chamber?

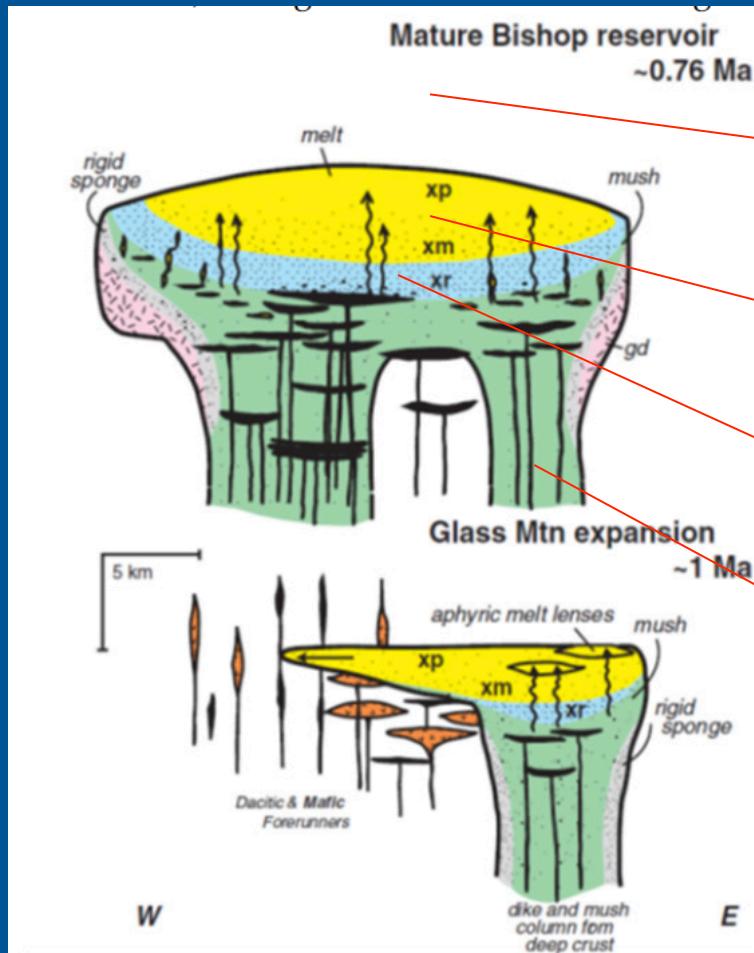
Definitions/usage has varied over time.



Here I'll used the more relaxed definition of a *spatially connected body of magma in a suprasolidus state*.

1. *Magma chambers exist at least transiently --- as evidenced from large eruptions.*
2. *Thermally, chambers are transient features.*
3. *Likely locations of major element evolution in composition due to:*
 1. *Fractional crystallization*
 2. *Melting*
 3. *Mixing of melts*
 4. *Assimilation of crystals*

Transient and crystal-rich mush dominated model



Heating of surrounding crust,
hydrothermal systems.

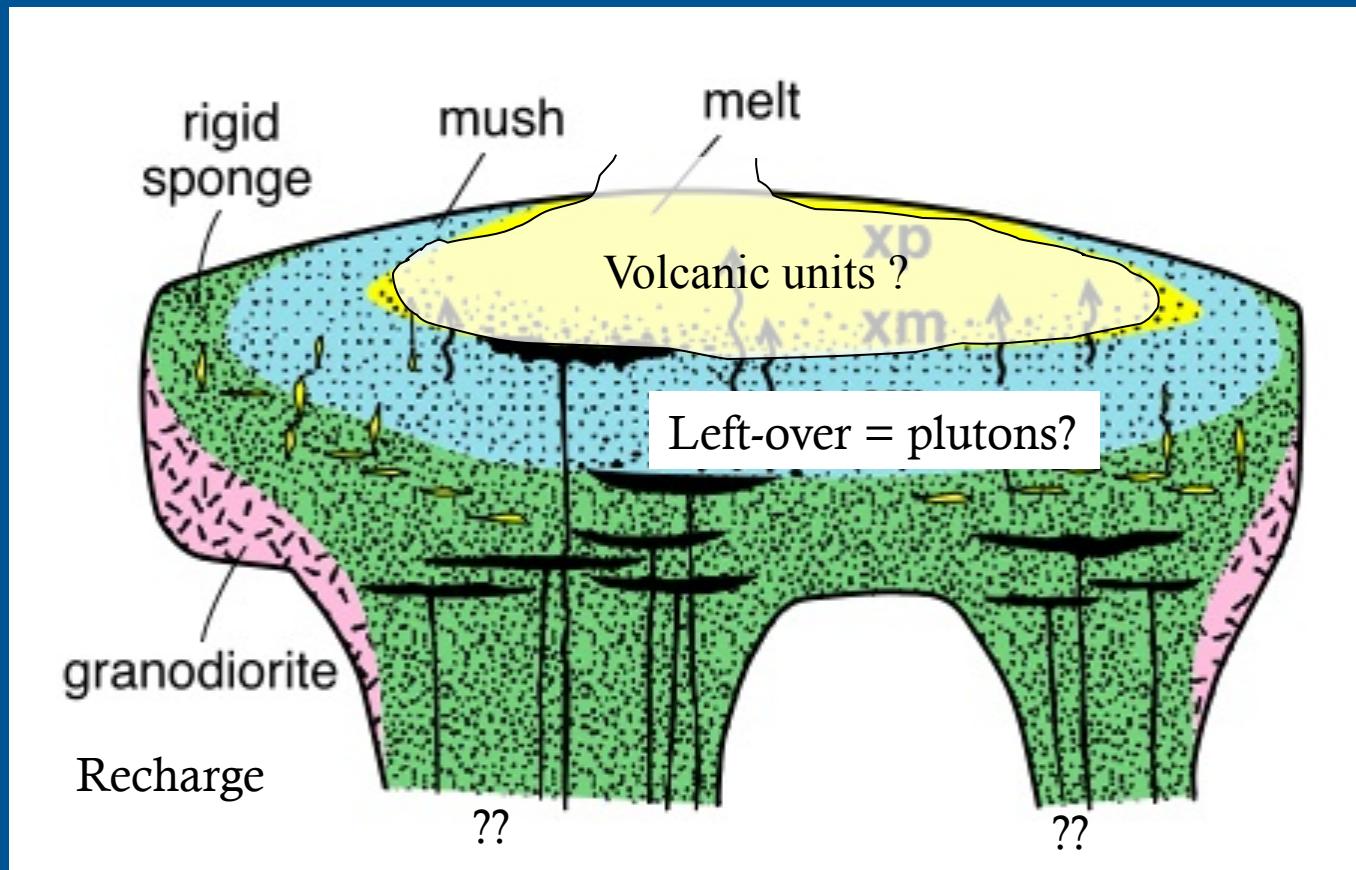
Buoyant rise of interstitial melt.

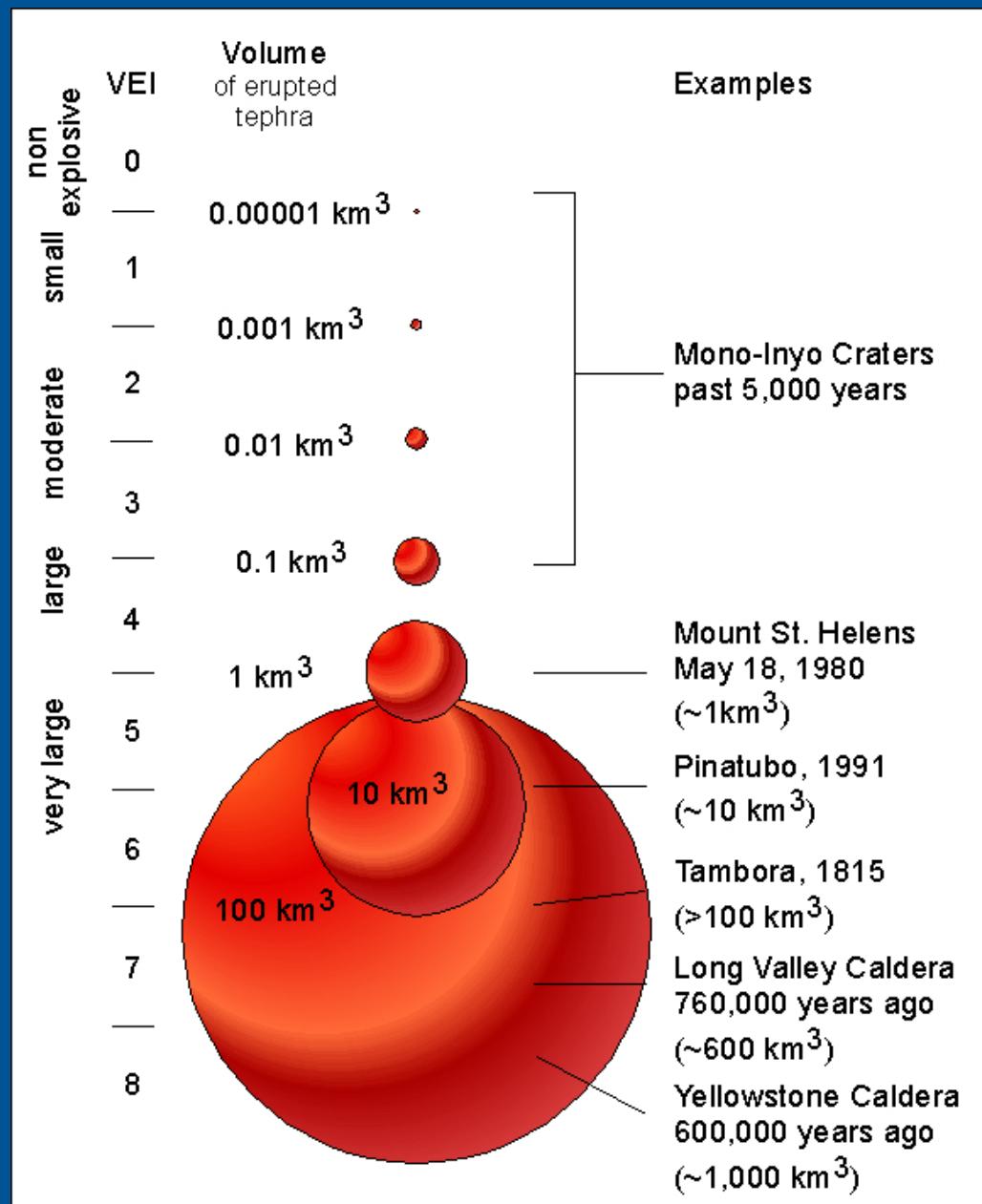
Cooling and crystallizing of
residual melt.

Intrusion of magmas as source
of mass and enthalpy

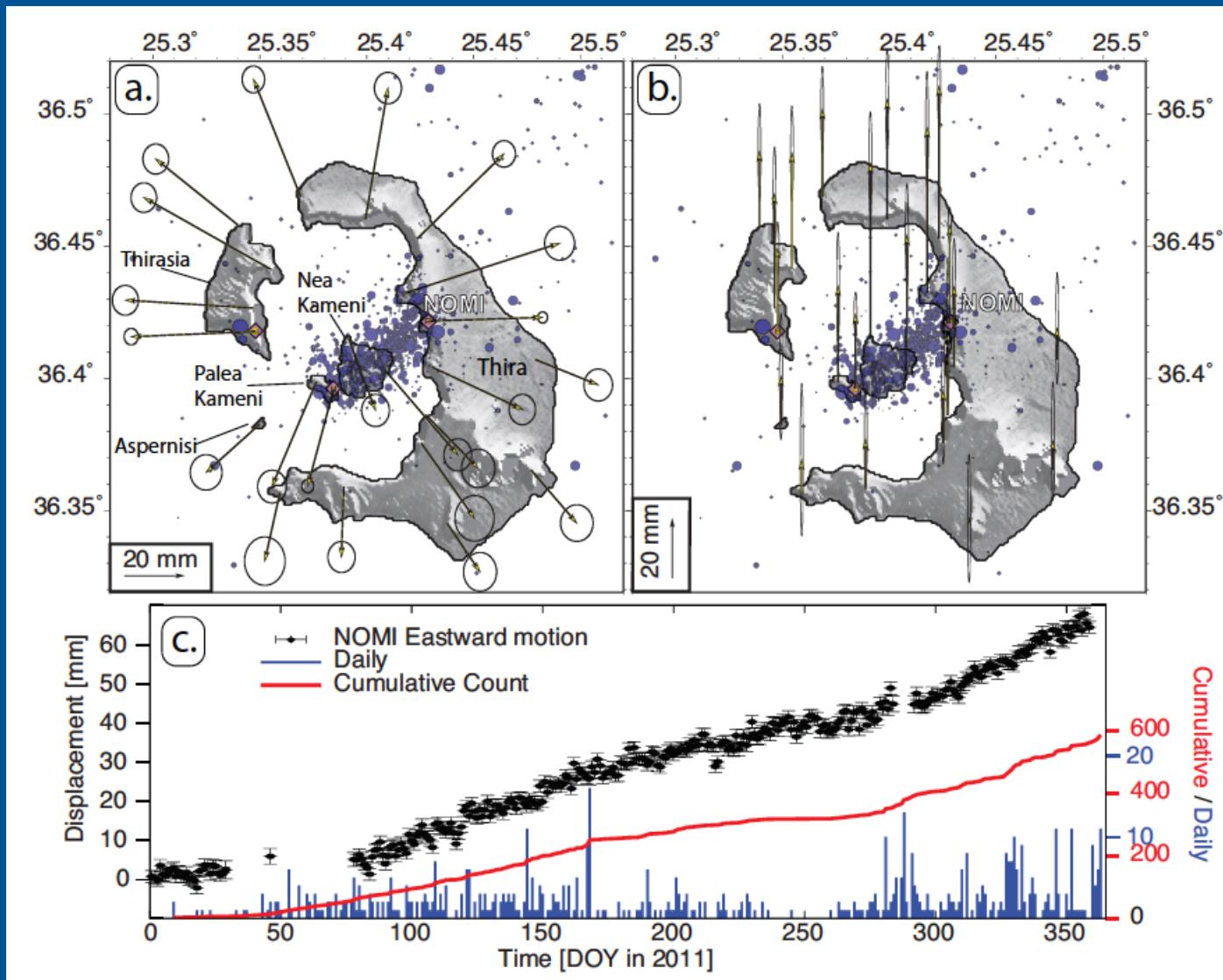
Incremental emplacement

Hypothesis: A link between volcanic-plutonic realms?

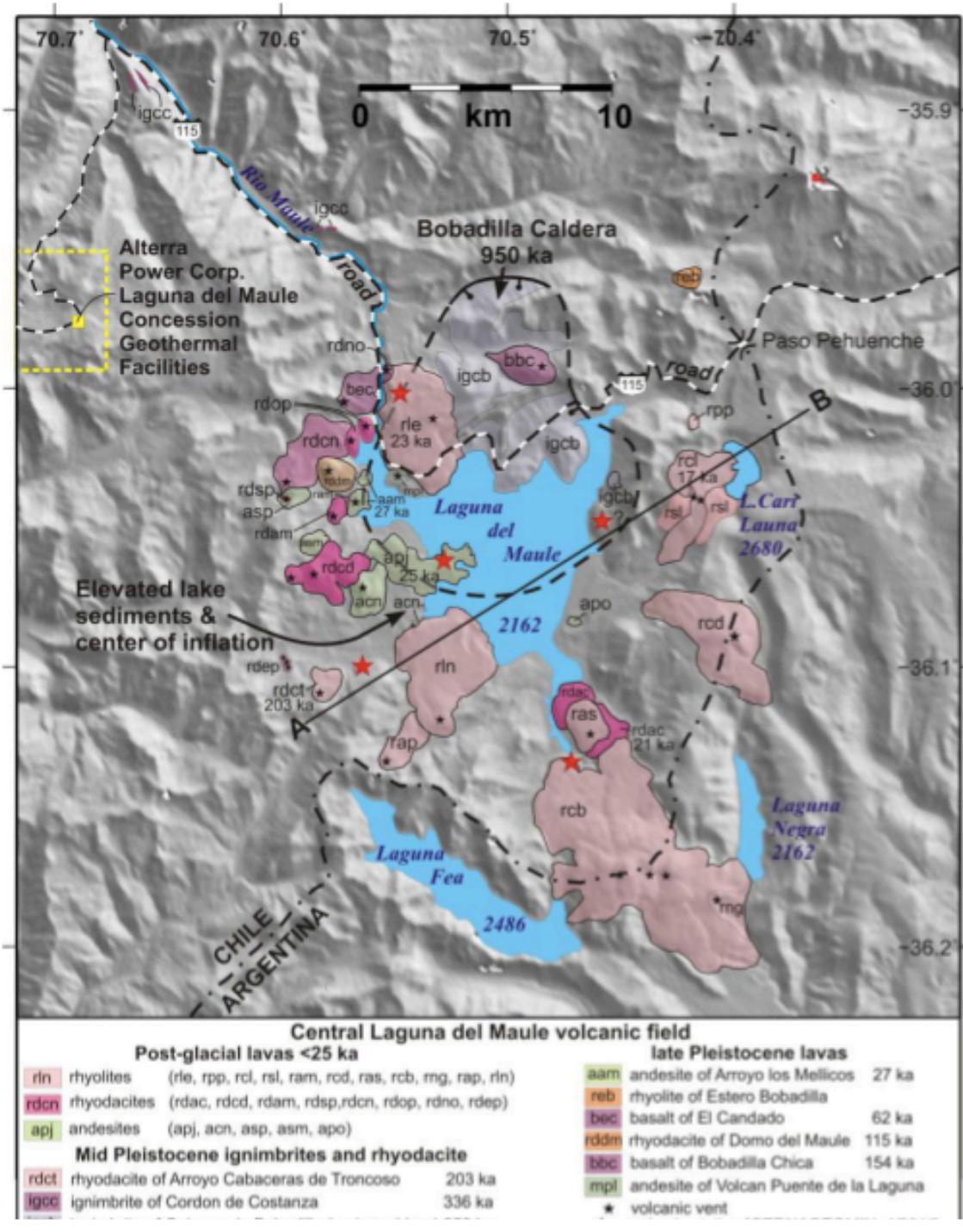


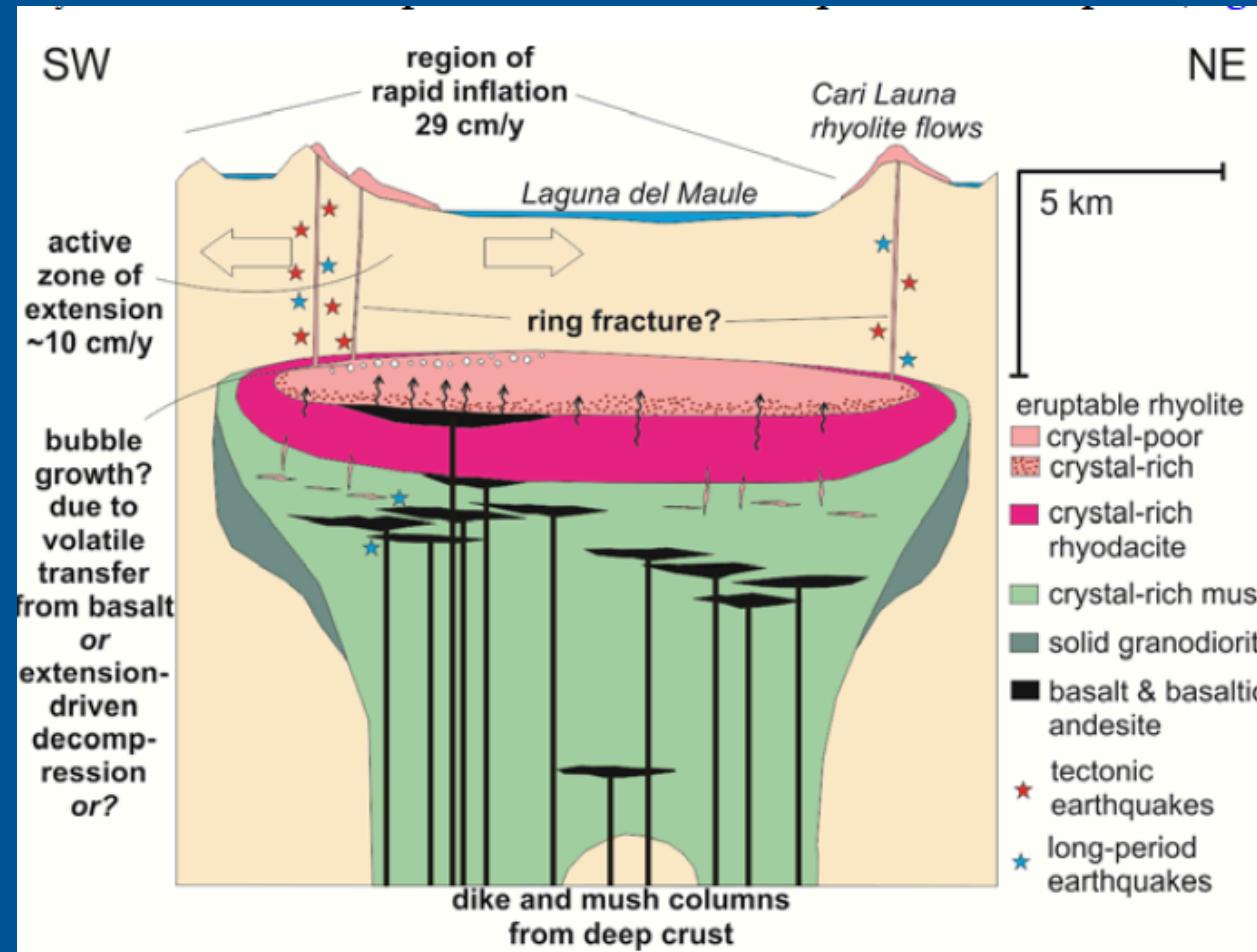


Active deformation

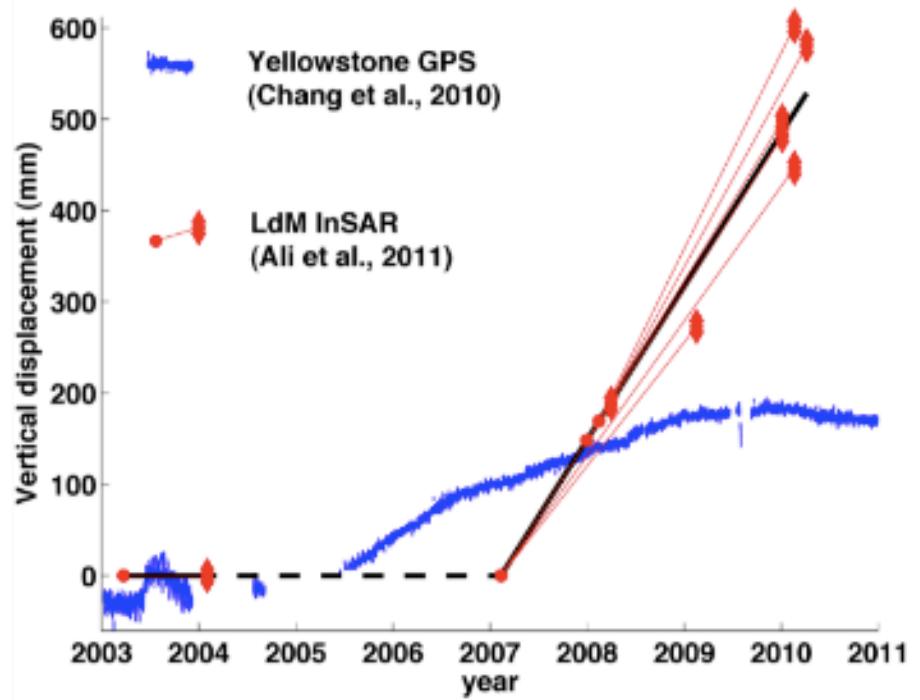
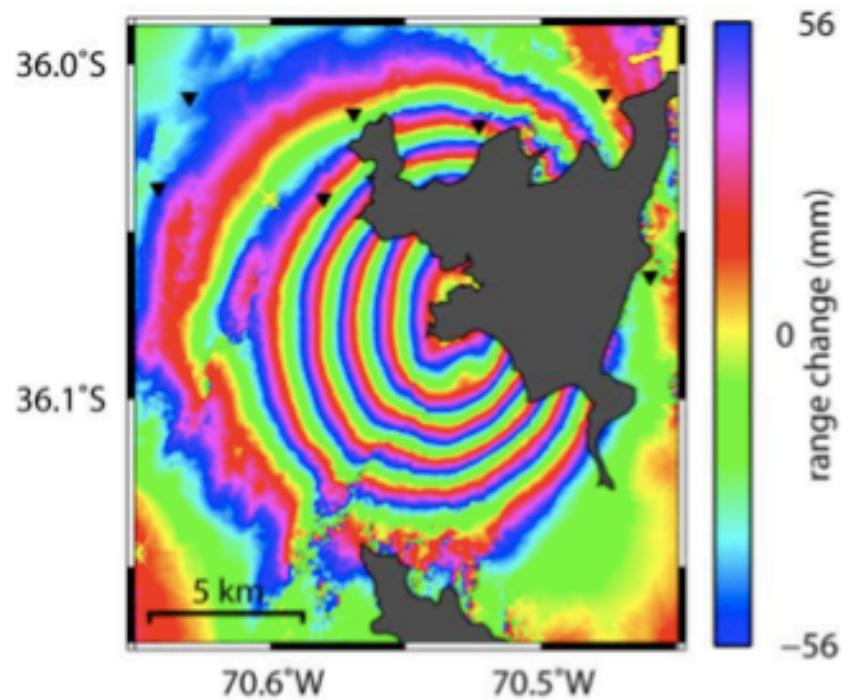
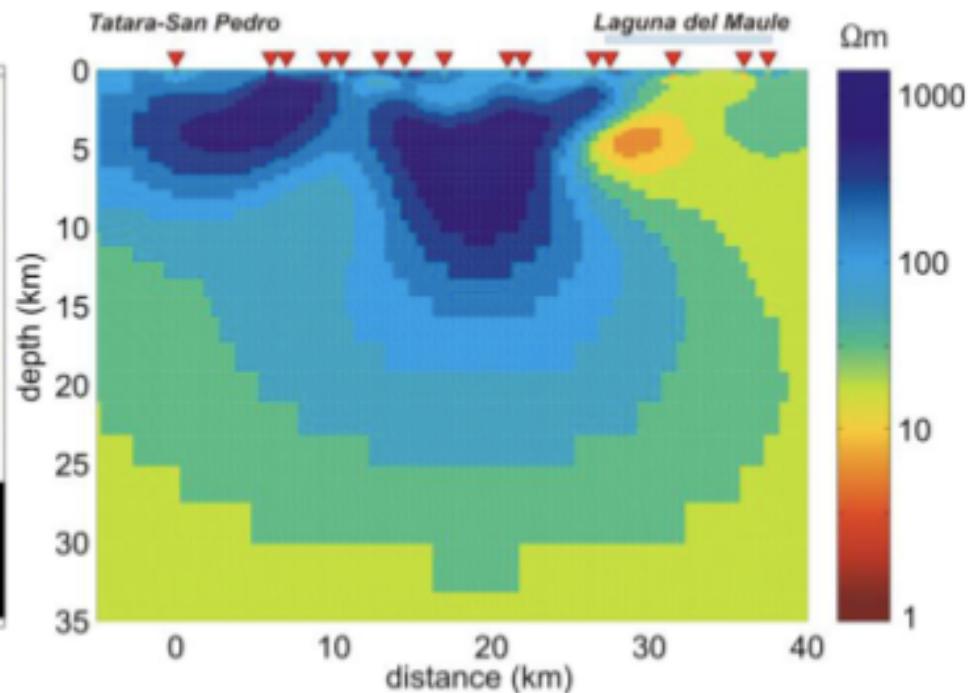
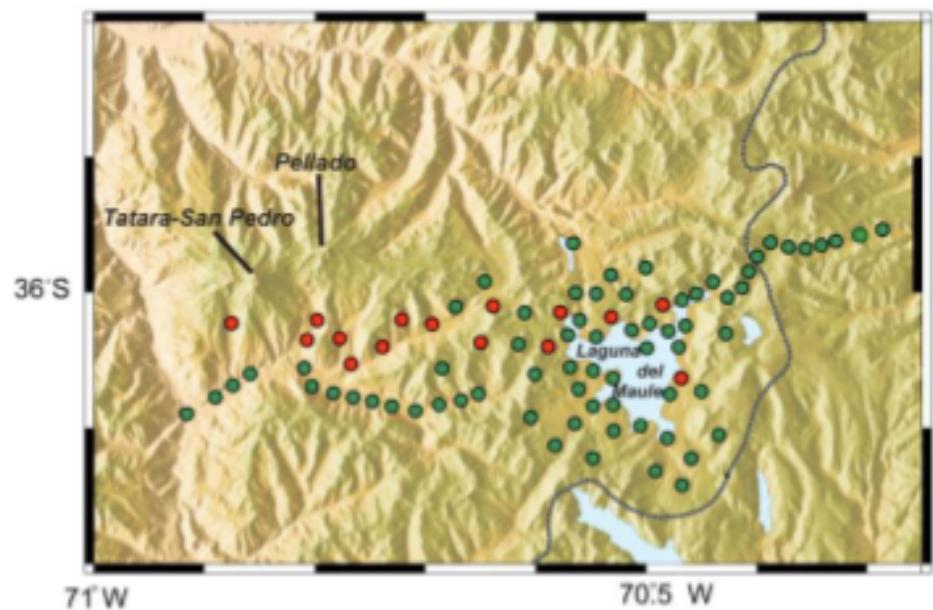


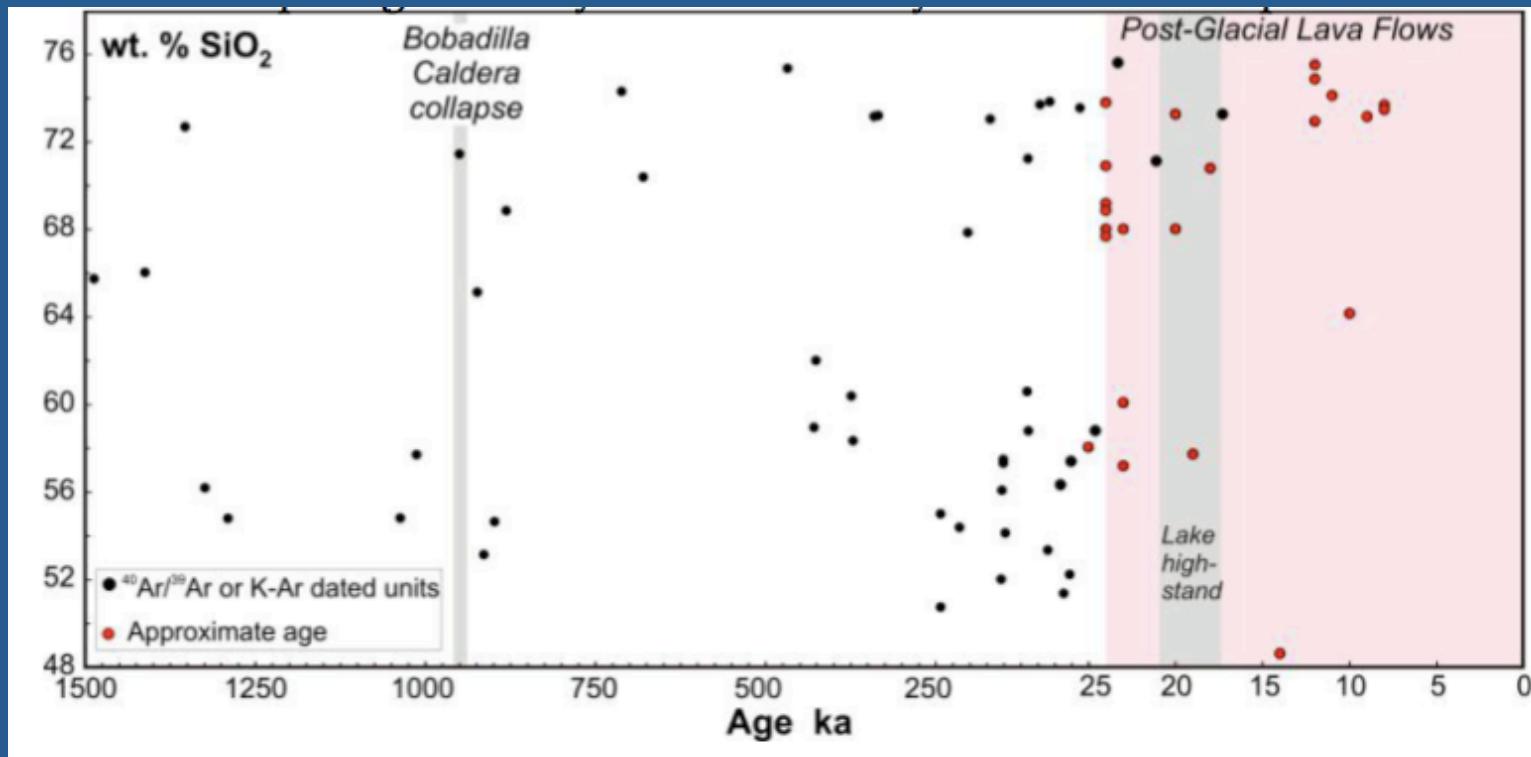
Newman et al., 2012





Laguna del Maule System Model





Singer et al. 2013

Some Thermal Considerations

$$\frac{\partial H_T}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_i} (\mathbf{u}_i H_T) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_i} k \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_i} T \right)$$

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$$R^* = \rho^* \frac{\partial f}{\partial t^*}$$

Dimensionless rate of production of melt

$$Pe = \left[\frac{c_p \rho_0 \delta}{k} \right] \mathbf{u}_0$$

Peclet: Advective/diffusive heat transport

$$Ste = \frac{c_p T_0}{L}$$

Stefan: Sensible/latent heat contribution

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Related to temperature change

Related to phase change

Thermal calculations can be quite sensitive to the variation in the physical parameters

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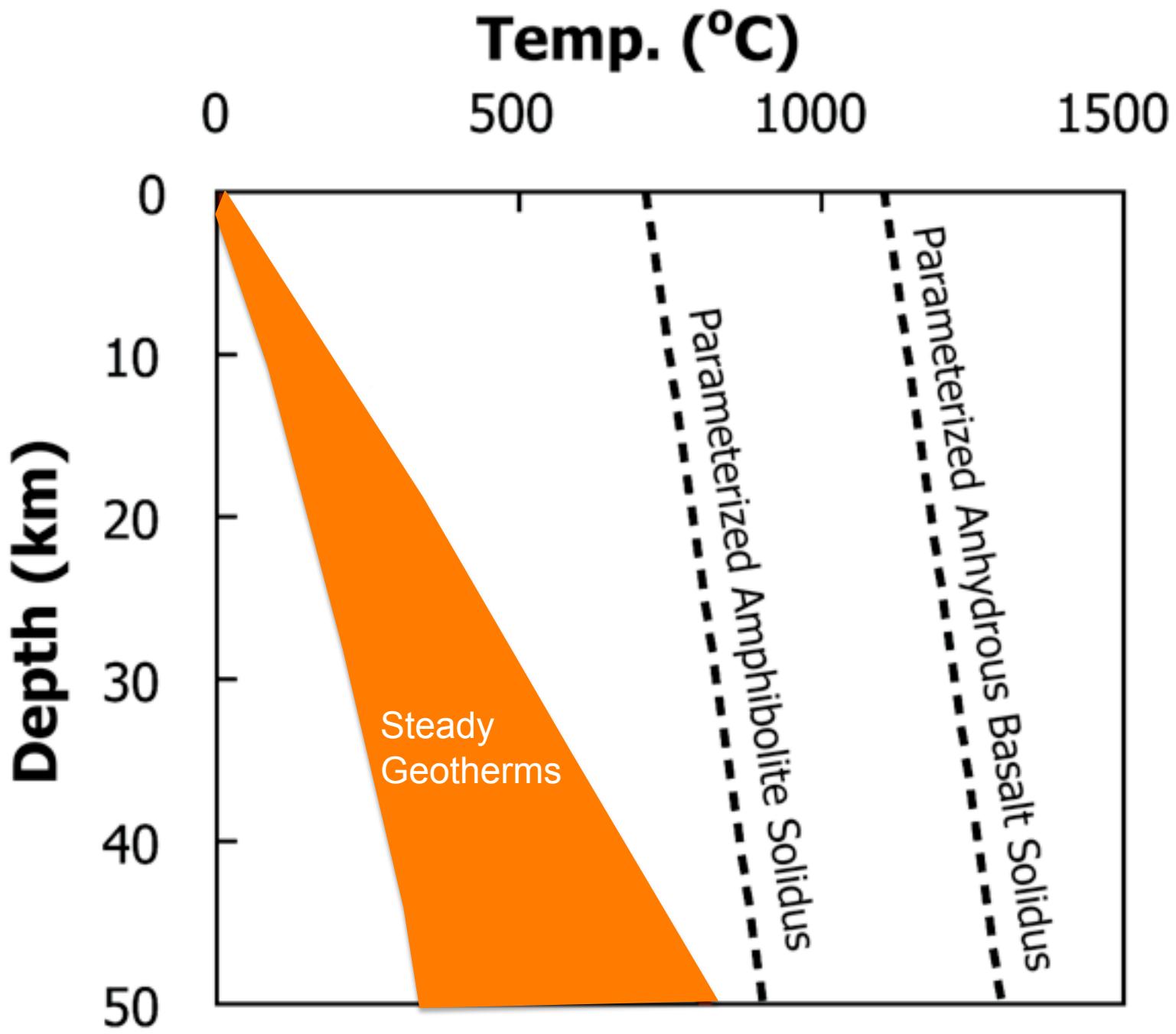
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Summary of some thermal model results

| Study | Model type ¹ | Intr. style ² | Total intr. ³ (km) | T_{init} (°C) | Rock type ⁴ | $T_{melt} - T_{solid}$ (°C) | E (%) |
|-------------------------------|---|---------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|---|----------------|
| Younker and Vogel, 1976 | 1-D, cond., no bottom heat loss | single intrusion | 2.0 | 500 | basalt, biotite-granite | L:1200, S:1100 L:1100, S:800 | 32 |
| Wells, 1980 | 1-D, cond., over-accretion | multiple intrusion | 40.0 | 200 | tonalite | L:1050, S:800 | 8 |
| Huppert and Sparks, 1988 | 1-D, param. convection, no bottom heat loss | single intrusion | 0.5 | 500 | basalt, granodiorite | L:1200, S:1091 L:1000, S:850 | 44 |
| Bergantz, 1989 | 1-D, cond., no bottom heat loss | single intrusion | 16.6 | 700 | basalt, pelite | L:1250, S: 980 L:1200, S: 725 | 38 |
| Bittner and Schmeling, 1995 | 2-D, convection | single intrusion | 5.0 | 756 | basalt, granite | L:1100, S: 950 L:1050, S:760 | NA |
| Barboza and Bergantz, 1996 | 2-D, convection | fixed T bottom boundary | NA | 600 | pelite | L:1200, S:750 | NA |
| Raia and Spera, 1997 | 2-D, convection | fixed T bottom boundary | NA | 1195 | (CaAl ₂ Si ₂ O ₈ -CaMgSi ₂ O ₆) | L:1547, S:1277 | NA |
| Pedersen <i>et al.</i> , 1988 | 1-D, cond., over-accretion | multiple intrusion | 10.0 | 650 | basalt, granodiorite | L:1250, S:1100 L:1000, S:710 | 5 |
| Petford and Gallagher, 2001 | 1-D, cond., over-accretion | multiple intrusion | 1.0 | 650 | basalt, amphibolite | L:1250, S:1050 L:1075, S:1010 | 4 |
| Annen and Sparks, 2002 | 1-D, cond., over-accretion | multiple intrusion | 8.0 | variable, based on depth (600) | basalt, amphibolite | L:1300, S:620 L:1075, S:1010 | 8 |
| Dufek and Bergantz, 2005a | 2-D, cond. and convection, stochastic | multiple intrusion | variable (5.0) | variable, based on depth (640) | basalt, amphibolite | pressure dependent L:1240, S:640 L: 1100, S:850 | 0.5-10.4 (7.1) |

Efficiency of Generating Crustal Melt

An enthalpy balance can give the maximum amount of melting:

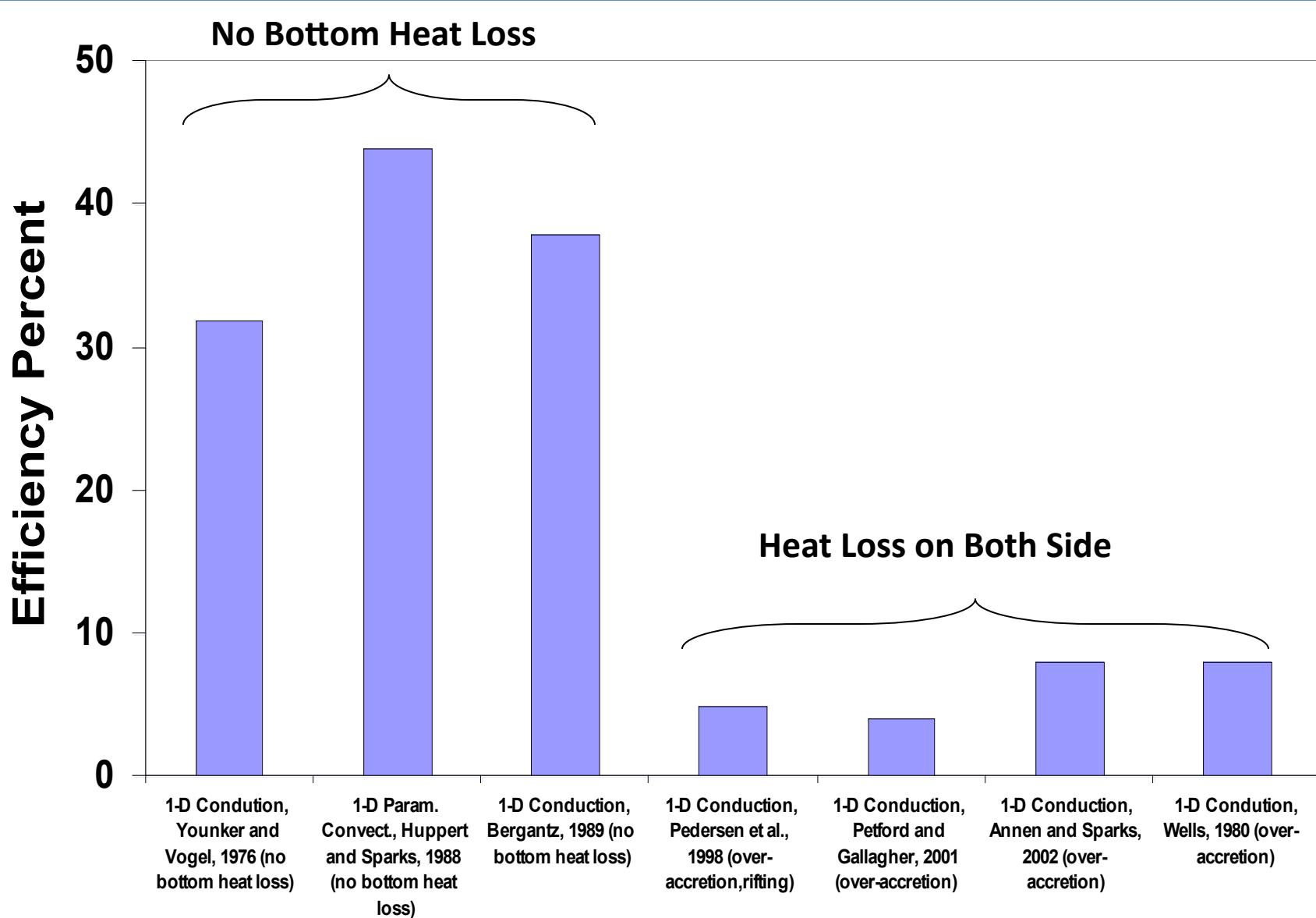
$$V_{crust}^{eff} = \frac{\rho^b V^b \left[c_p^b (T_L^b - T) + L^b \right]}{\rho^c c_p^c (T_s^c - T_R) + \rho^c \left[c_p^c (T - T_s^c) + L^c f \right]}$$

This assumes all energy from an intrusion (b) is extracted and applied to only that area of the crust (c) that melts.

$$E\% = 100 \times V_{crust}^{mod.} / V_{crust}^{eff.}$$

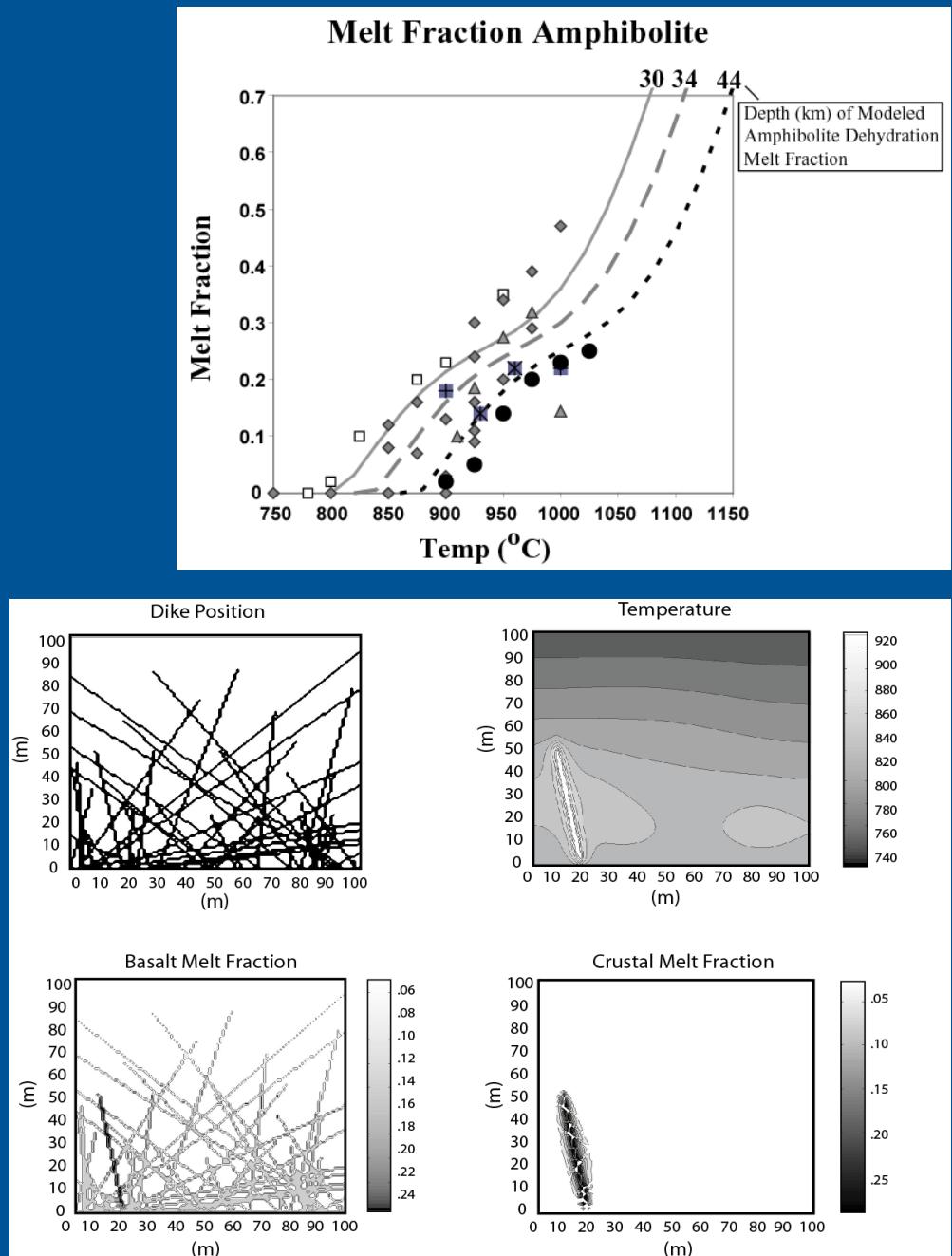
Models typically show less melting than this end-member.

Summary of 1-D Conduction/Melting Simulations

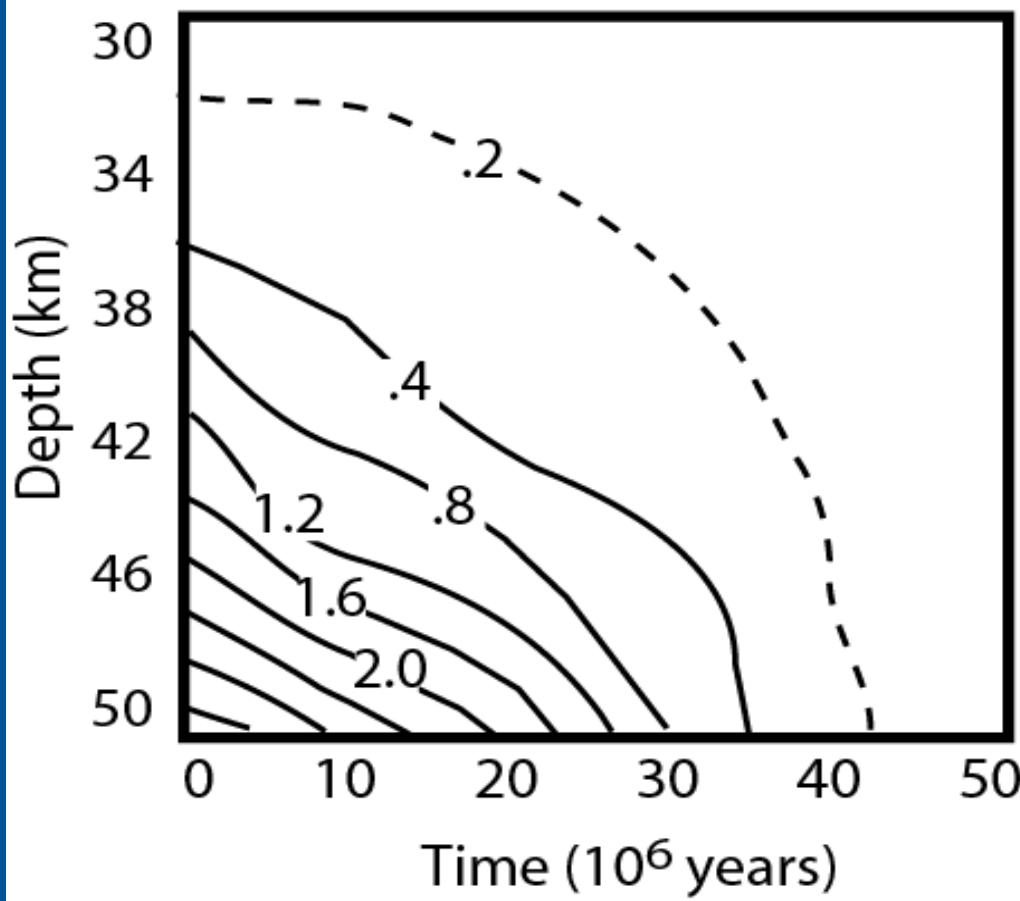


Stochastic simulations of magma intrusion into the lower crust:

- Survey of basalt flux and crustal thickness variations.
- Compilation of numerous realizations to examine probability of production.
- Long term melt productivity and dynamic response.



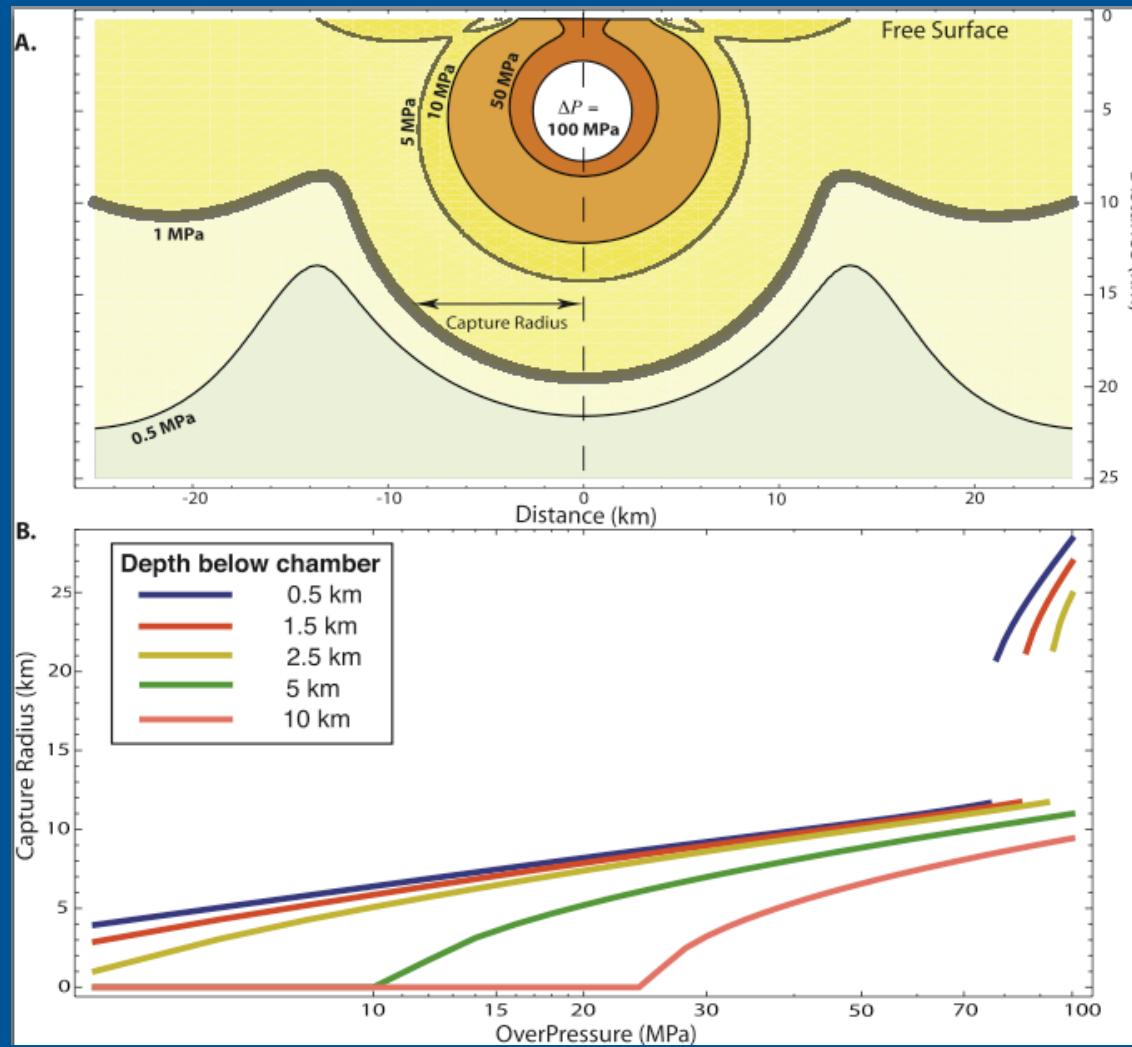
Melt Volume Ratio: Volume of Crustal Melts/ Volume Mantle Melts



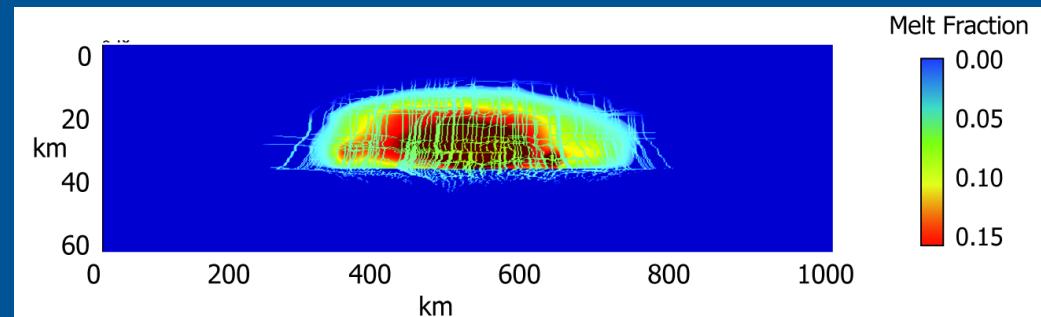
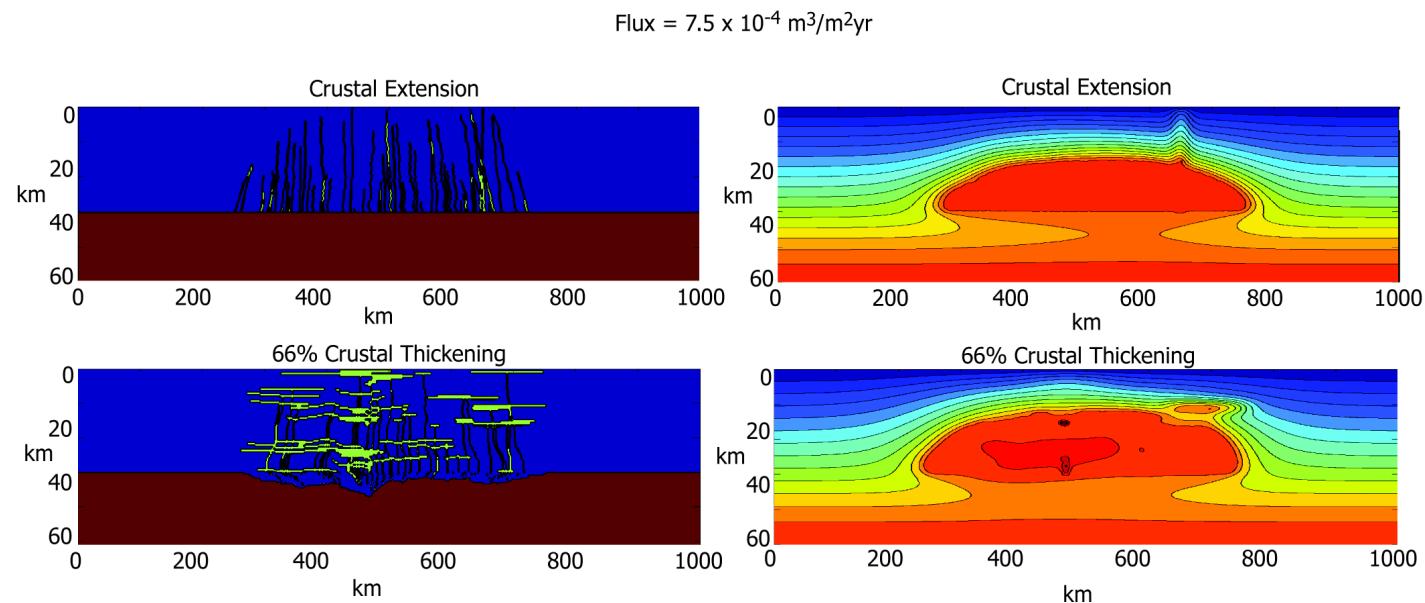
Thin crust (on average) leads to less overall melt, although thin crust is more prone to variability.

Note also that this is overall melt, and what we can sample at surface can be considerably limited.

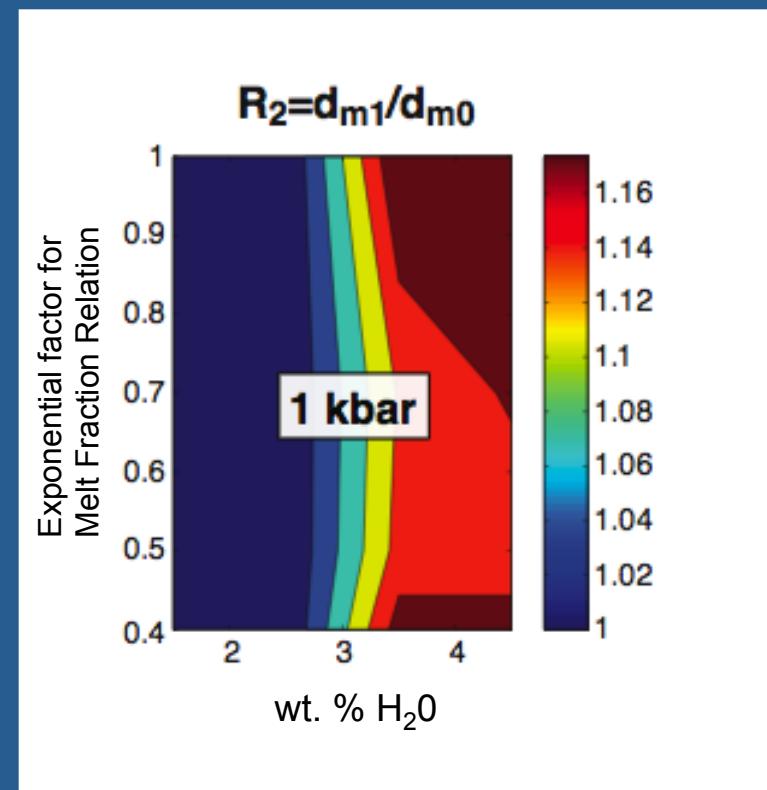
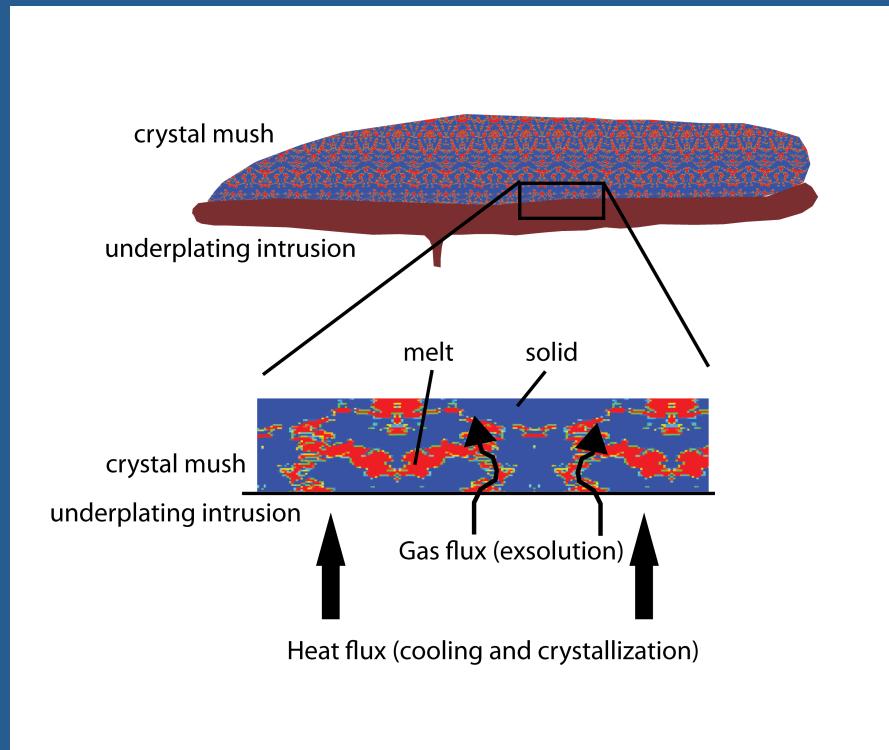
Structural heterogeneity and stress feedback can also lead to concentration of magma.



How does the method of accommodation influence crustal evolution?



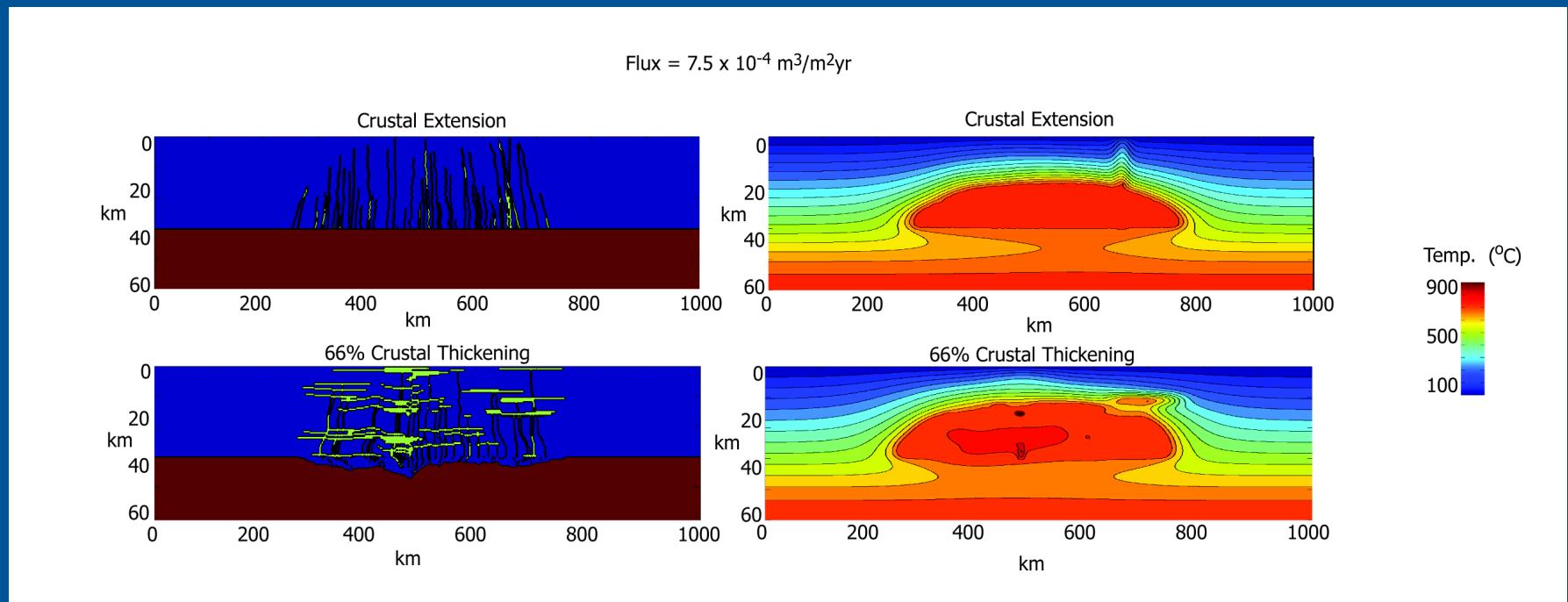
What about volatiles?



Huber et al., 2009

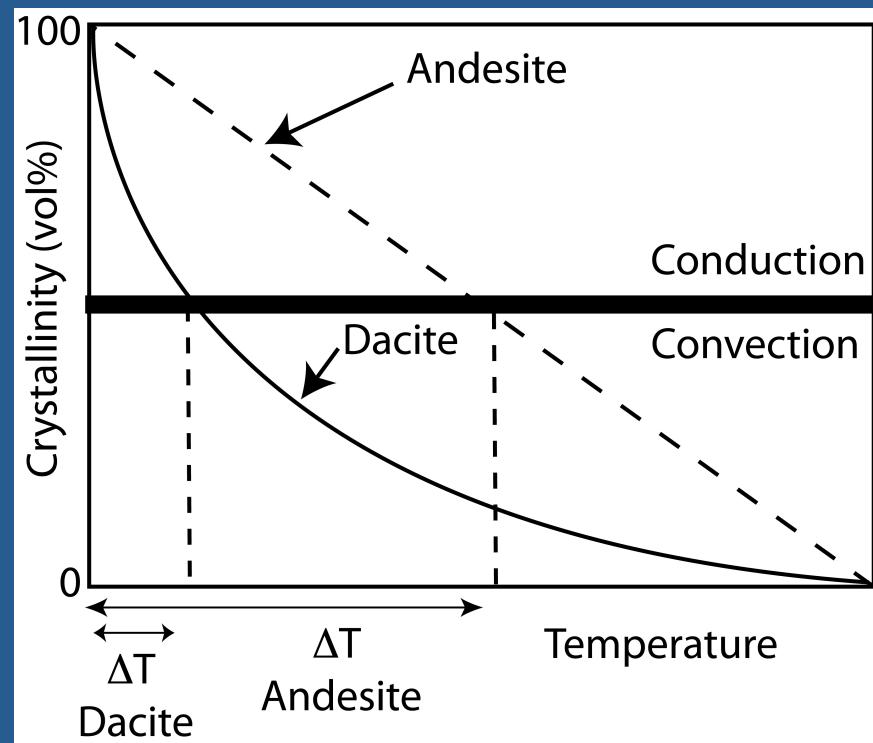
Volatiles can increase melting by a factor of $\sim 10\%$ beyond the dry case.

Even with various considerations (i.e. variable flux, thickened crust, focused magmas, volatile rich, etc) melting is, averaged over the entire crustal column, a relatively inefficient process - a good rule of thumb is $\sim 10\%$ efficient (*Dufek and Bergantz, 2005; Karlstrom, Dufek and Manga, 2009*)



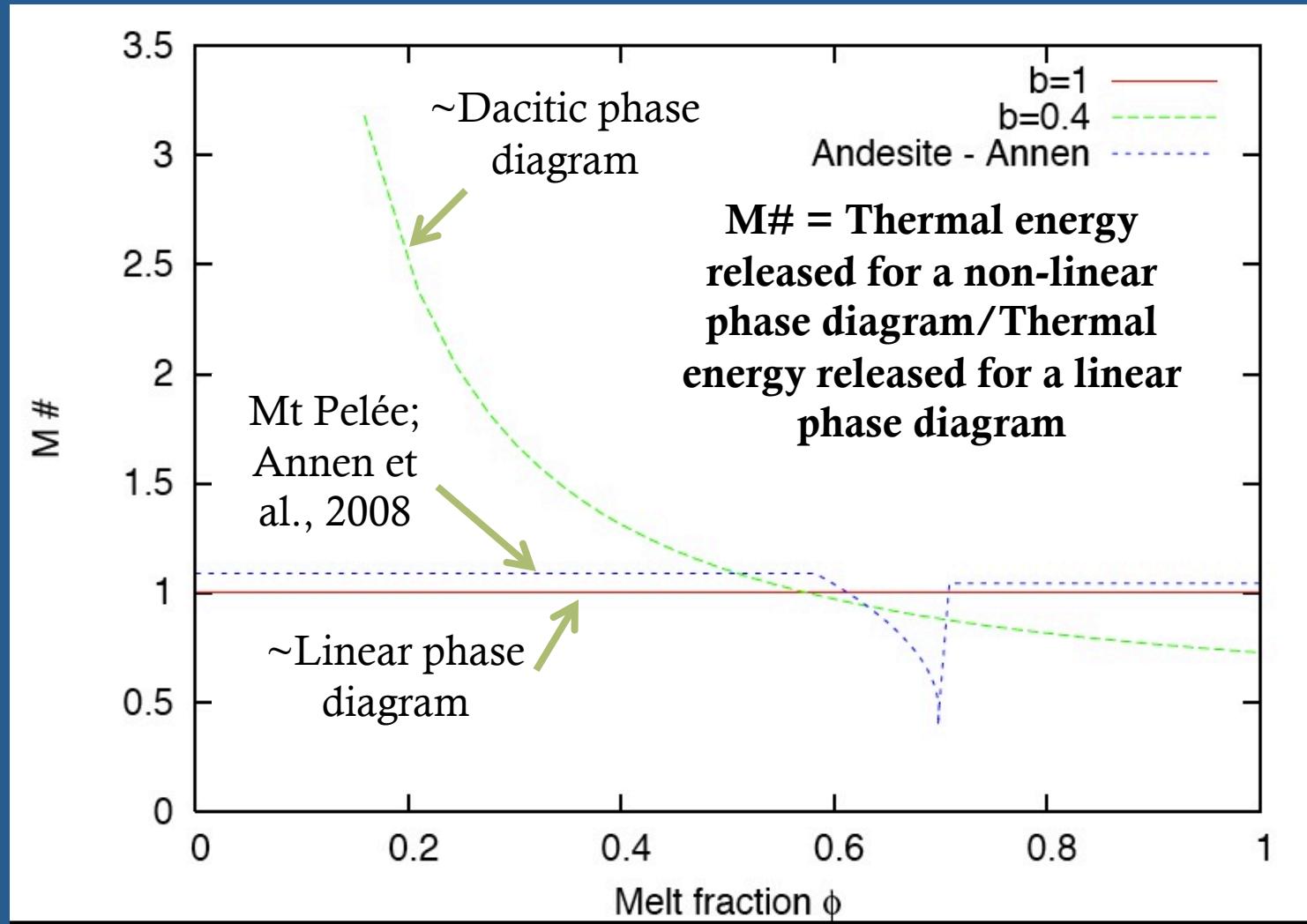
Magma reservoirs spend most of the active time at high crystallinities

- Reduced thermal gradients at higher crystallinity
- Latent heat effect
 - Dacitic upper crust: **high latent/sensible heat ratio near eutectic**

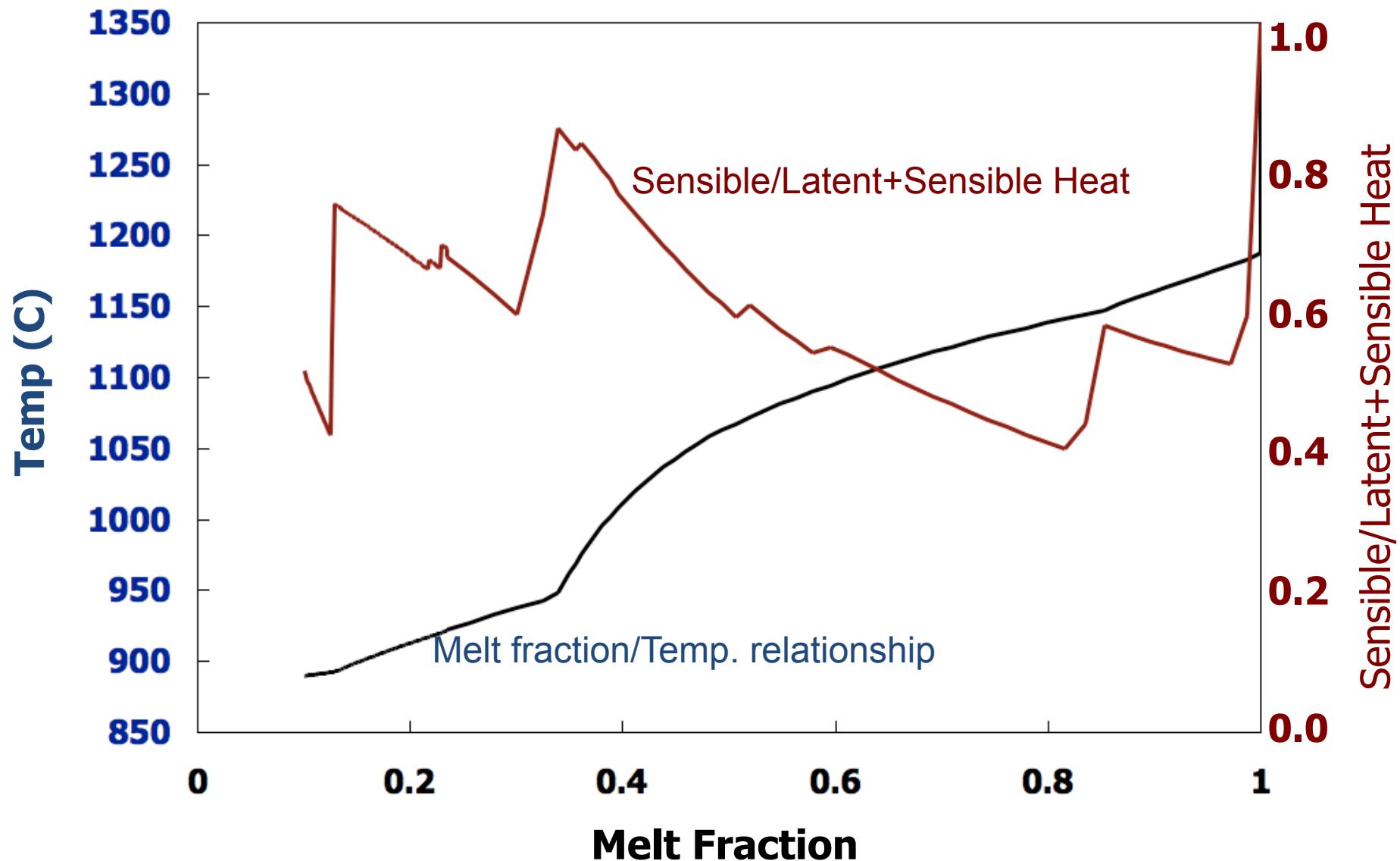


Simplified crystallinity relationship

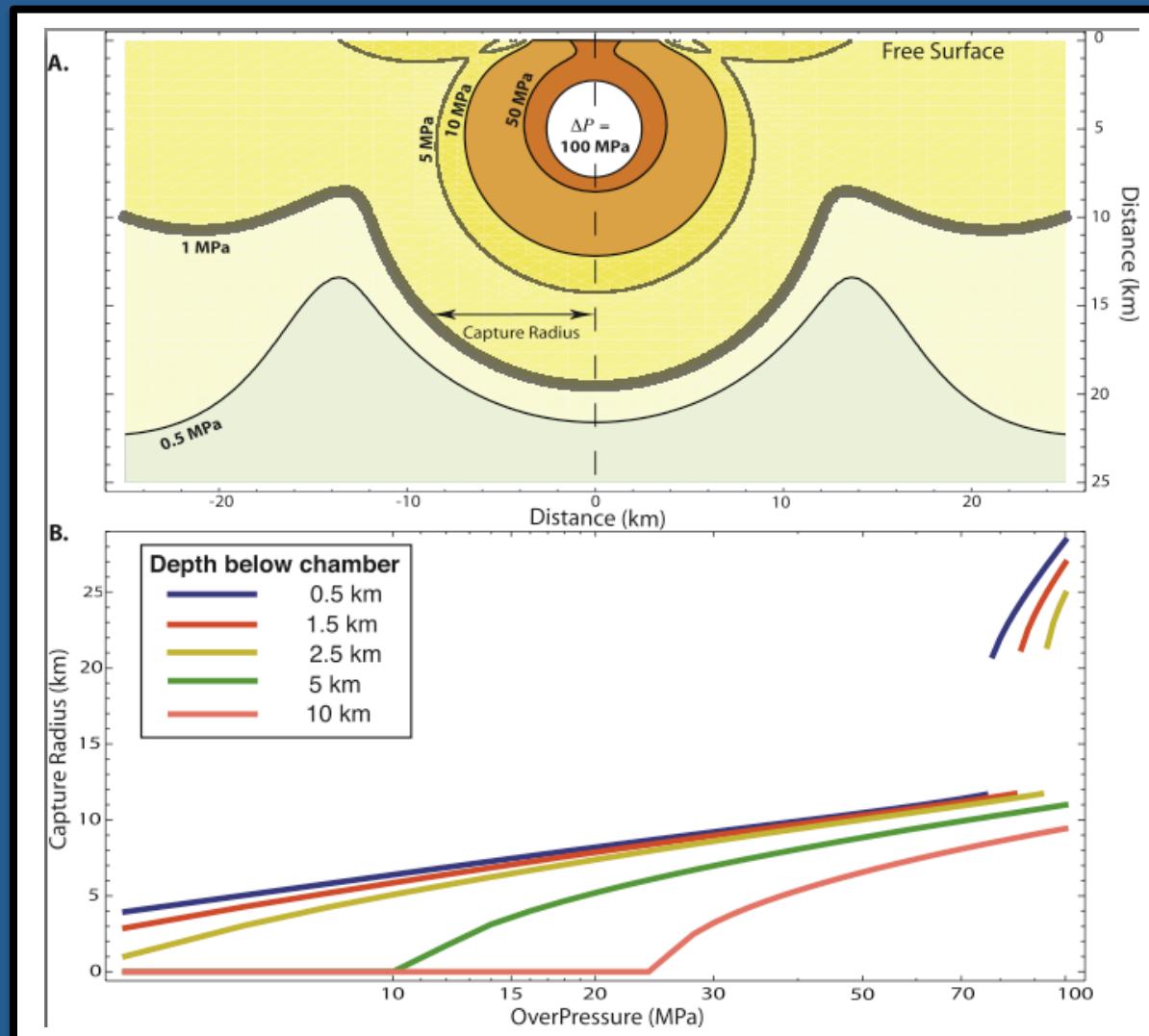
Latent heat effect in silicic magmas



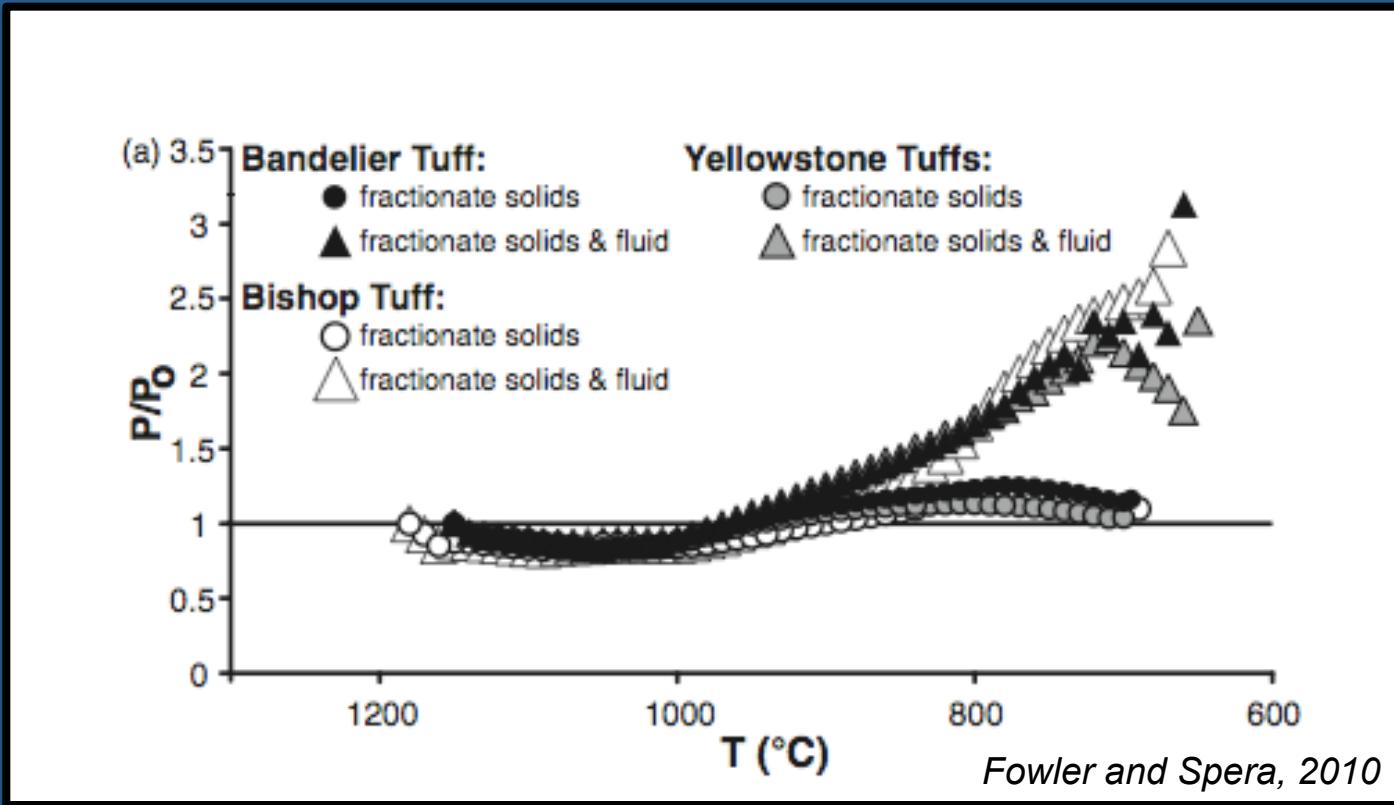
Partitioning of latent and sensible heating can have complex relationships with non-trivial results for the cooling history.



Magma overpressure can be generated by melting and intrusion, which can influence crustal stress fields.

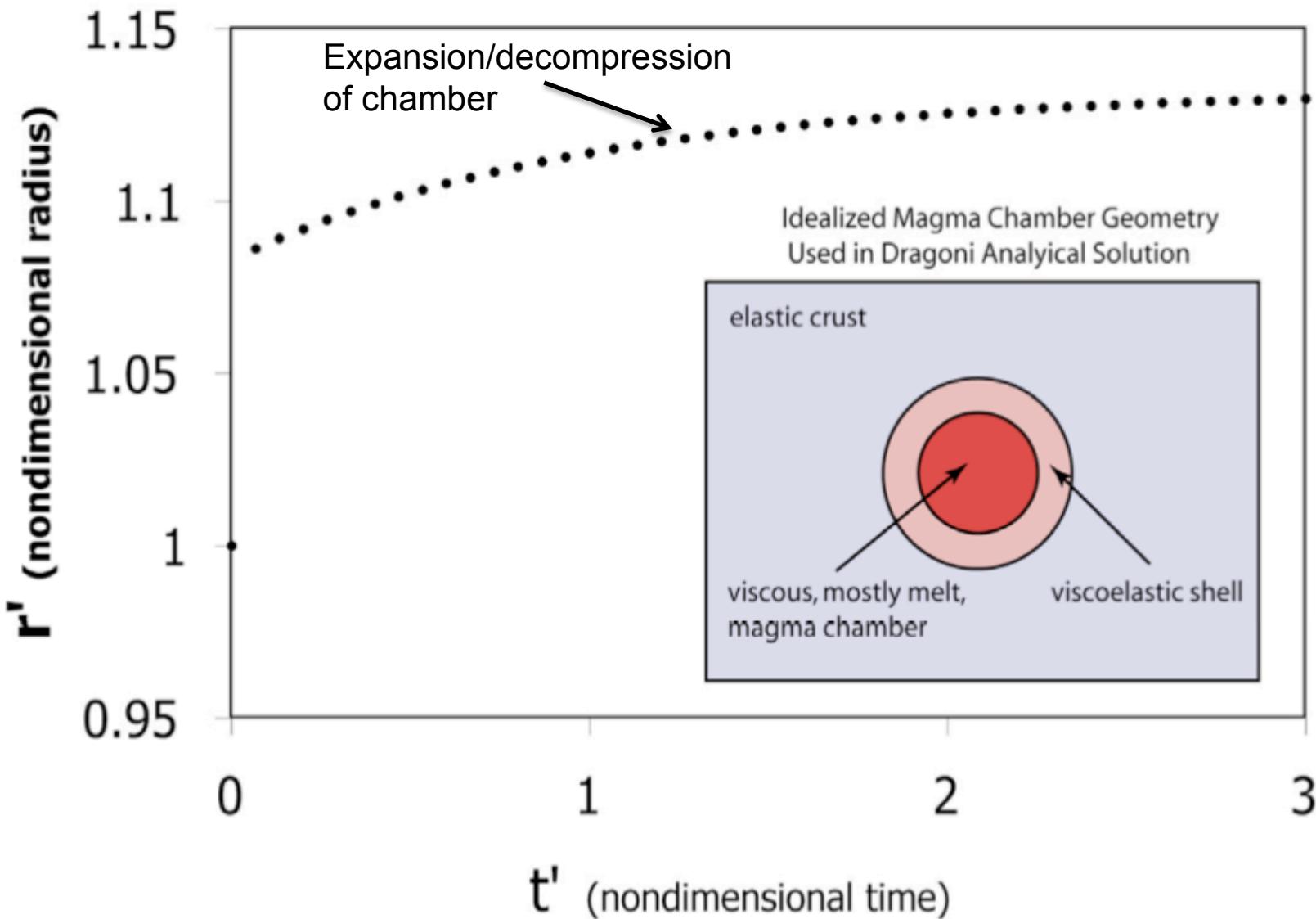


Overpressure can also influence phase equilibria. Below are examples of isochoric (constant volume) calculations performed by Fowler and Spera (2010).

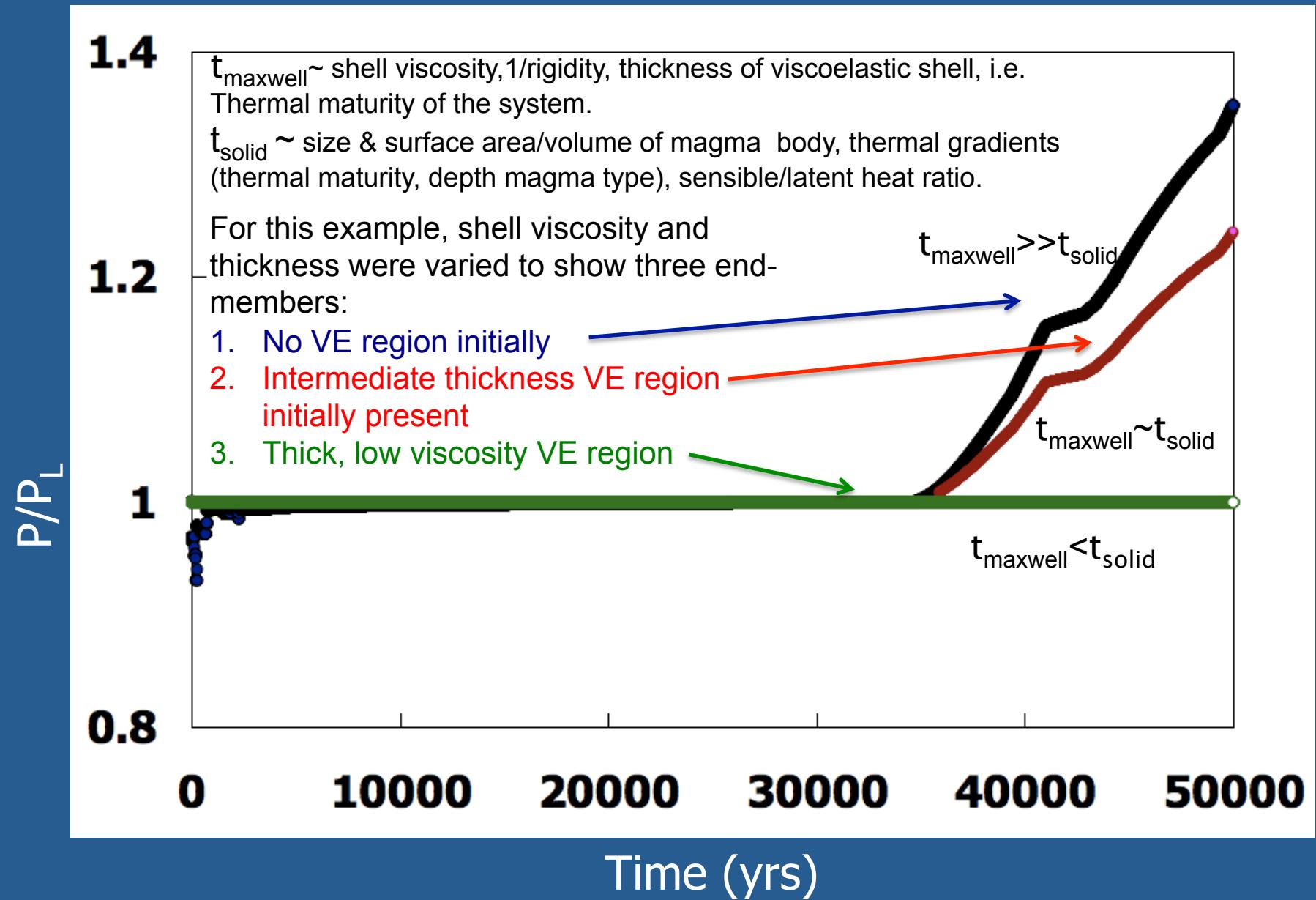


We can think of these calculations as end-members assuming a perfectly rigid crustal container, and identical P-T conditions throughout the chamber.

Crustal container is not, in general, completely rigid and can have elastic and viscoelastic response.



As an example, consider the pressure evolution of a 1 km diameter dacitic magma chamber with 5 wt% water.



Multiphase Flow in Explosive Volcanic Eruptions

Plinian Column:

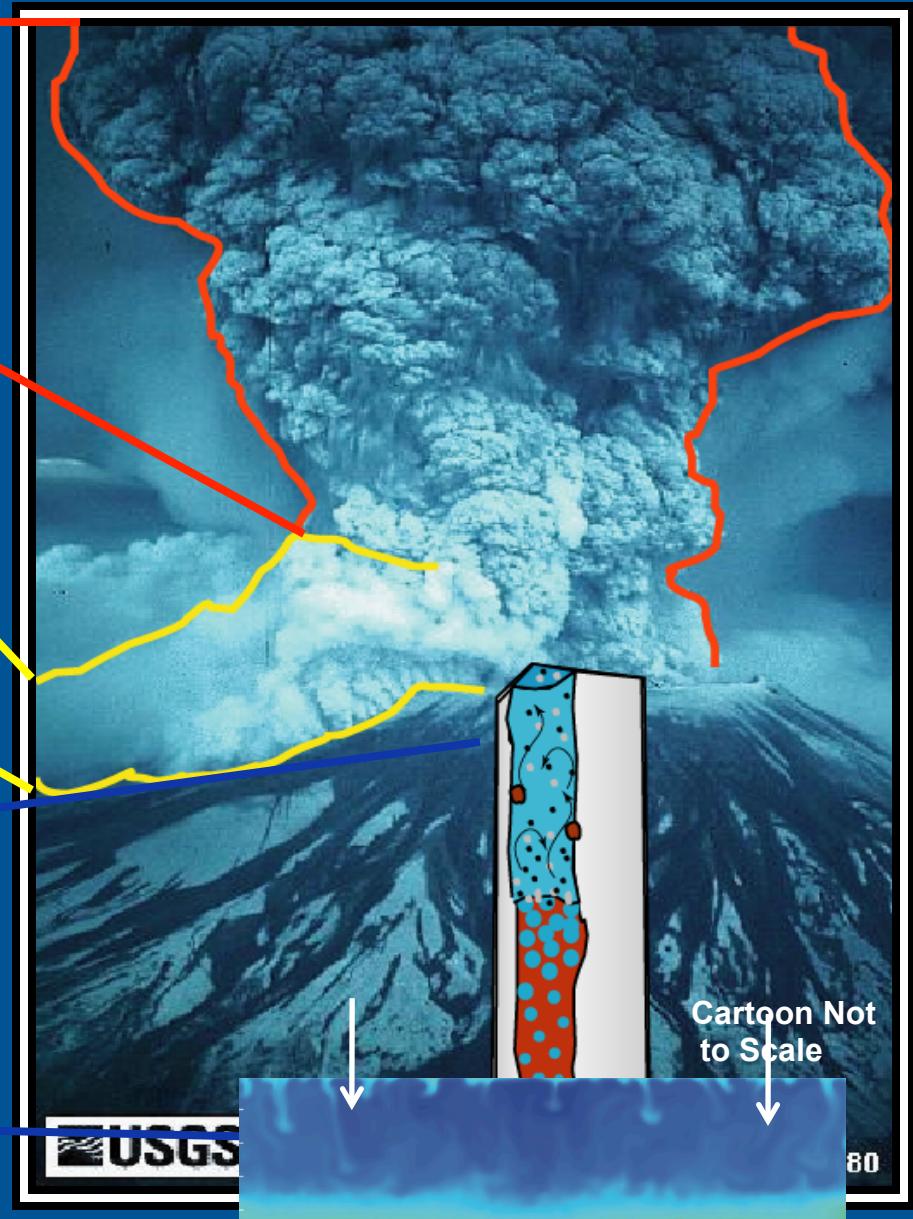
- Buoyant plume
- Particle+Gas Flow

Pyroclastic Flow:

- Particulate gravity current
- Particle+Gas Flow

Magma Chambers:

- Bubbles and crystal discrete phases

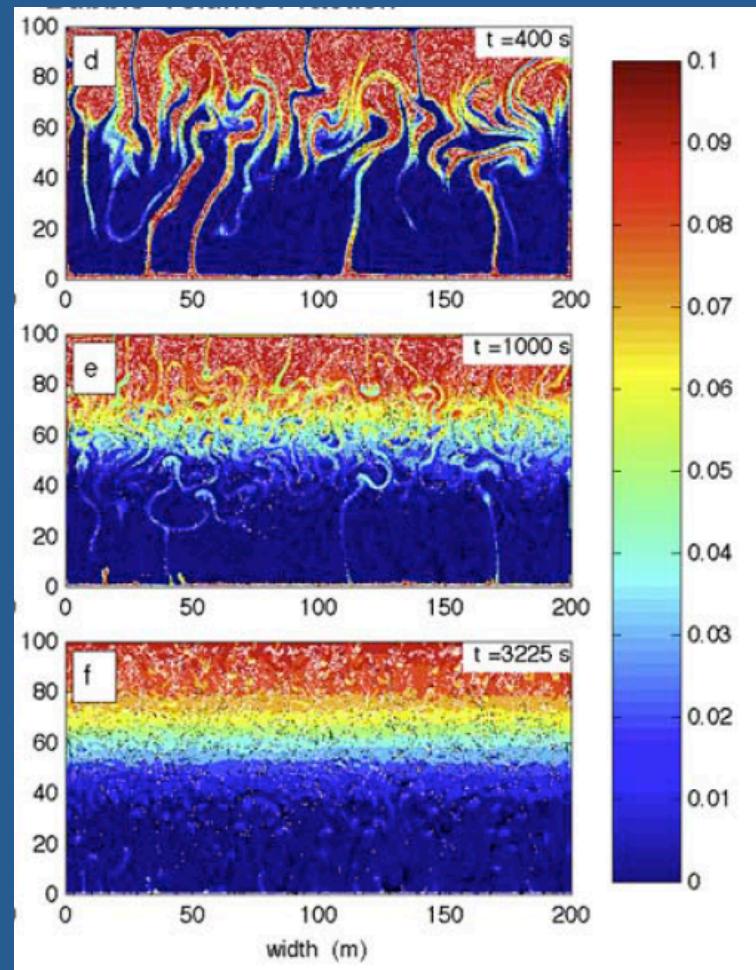


Dynamics

Bubble plumes driving dynamics

Density Drivers:

1. Composition
2. Thermal Buoyancy
3. Crystal Phases
4. Bubble Phase



BBO and Stokes Number

Lagrangian equation of motion

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho_d \frac{d\mathbf{V}_i}{dt} = & \underbrace{(\rho_d - \rho_m) \mathbf{g}_j \delta_{ij}}_{\text{buoyancy}} + \underbrace{\rho_m \frac{D\mathbf{u}_i}{Dt} \Big|_{Y(t)}}_{\text{Shear and Pressure terms}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \rho_m \frac{d}{dt} \left[\mathbf{V}_i(t) - \mathbf{u}_i[Y(t), t] - \frac{1}{6} r^2 \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mathbf{x}_j^2} \mathbf{u}_i \right]_{Y(t)} \right]}_{\text{Virtual Mass Term}} \\
 & - \underbrace{6\pi r \mu \left[\mathbf{V}_i(t) - \mathbf{u}_i[Y(t), t] - \frac{1}{6} r^2 \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mathbf{x}_j^2} \mathbf{u}_i \right]_{Y(t)} \right]}_{\text{Stokes Drag Term}} - \underbrace{6\pi f^2 \mu \int_0^t d\tau \left(\frac{d / d\tau \left[\mathbf{V}_i(\tau) - \mathbf{u}_i[Y(\tau), \tau] - \frac{1}{6} r^2 \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mathbf{x}_j^2} \mathbf{u}_i \right]_{Y(\tau)} \right]}{[\pi \nu(t - \tau)]^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right)}_{\text{Basset history term}}
 \end{aligned}$$

BBO and Stokes Number

Lagrangian equation of motion

For most magmatic conditions the added mass, Bassett history, and pressure gradient terms can be neglected leaving (in dimensionless form):

$$\frac{d\mathbf{V}_i^*}{dt^*} = -\frac{1}{\text{St}} \left[\mathbf{V}_i^* - \mathbf{u}_i^* \right] + \frac{1}{\mathbf{Fr}_d^2} \delta_{ij}$$

Densimetric Froude

$$\mathbf{Fr}_d = \frac{u_0}{\sqrt{\frac{\rho_d - \rho_m}{\rho_d} g u_0 \tau_m}}$$

$$St = \frac{\tau_m}{\tau_d}$$

Stokes #: Magmatic timescale/ disperse phase timescale

Disperse Phase Timescale

$$\tau_d = \frac{\rho_d r^2}{6\pi\mu}$$

Direct Numerical Simulation (DNS) of Multiphase Wake Flow, $Re \sim 100$.

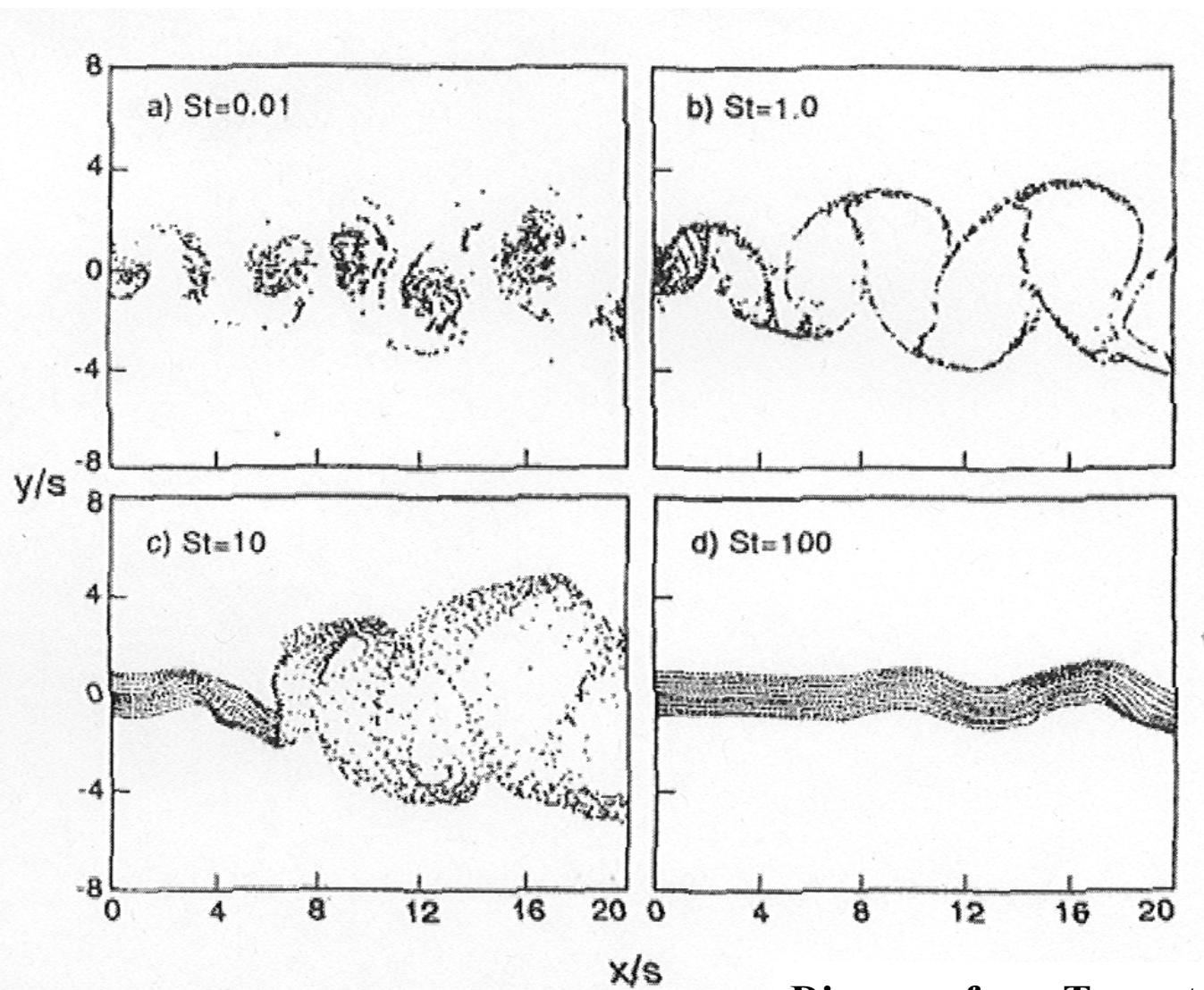
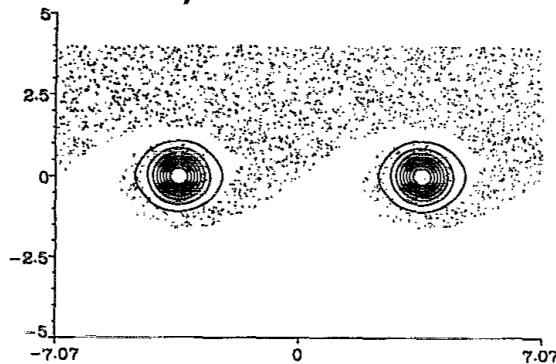


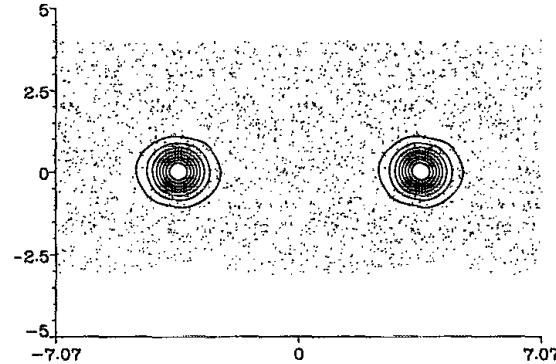
Diagram from Tang et al. 1992

Stokes Numbers and Stability Factor

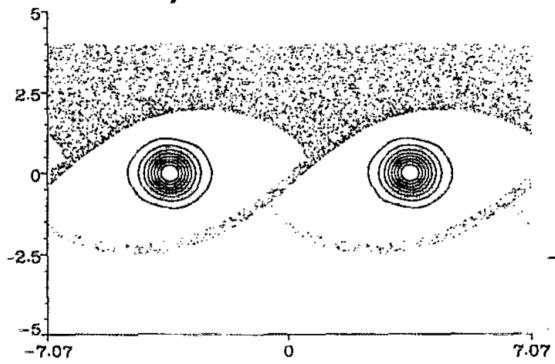
$St \sim .1, St/Fr^2 \sim .006$



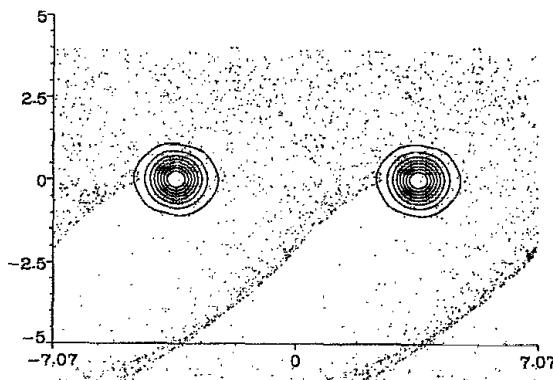
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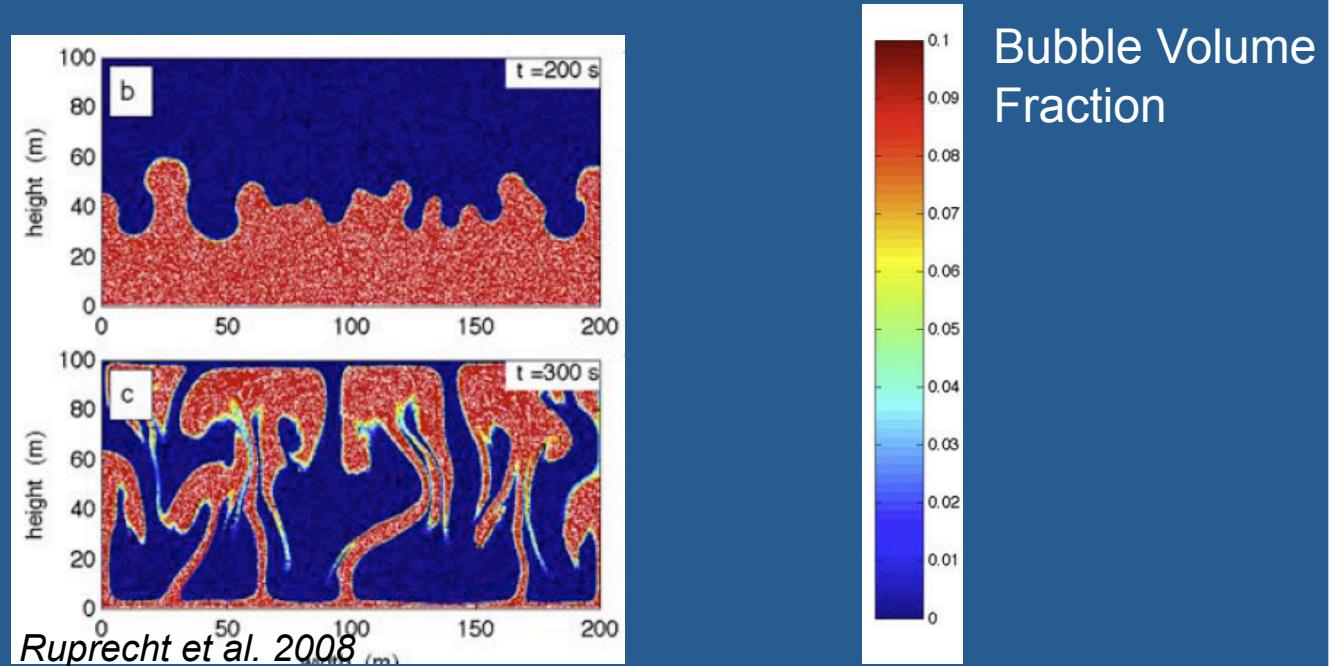


$St \sim 3, St/Fr^2 \sim .3$



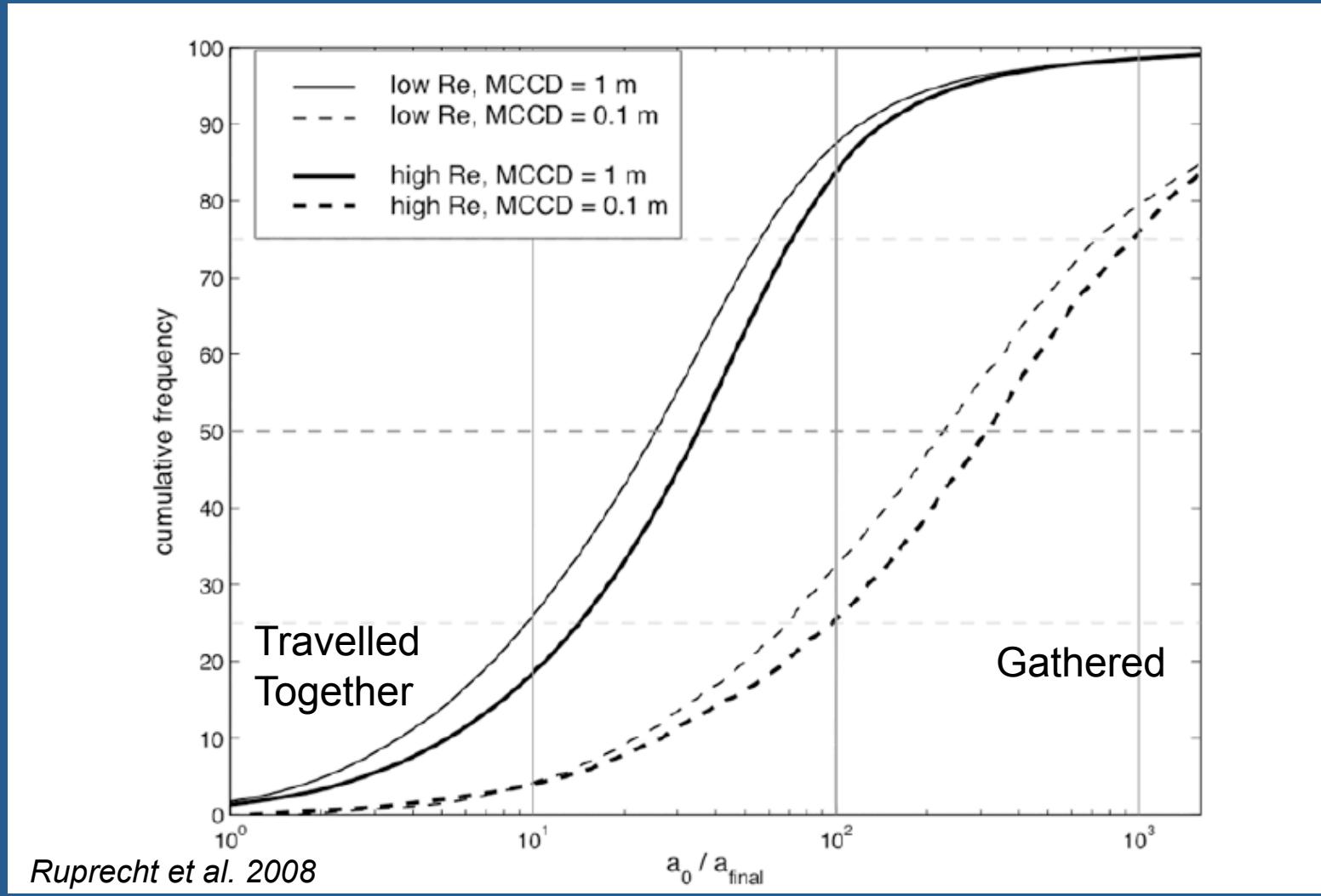
From Raju and Meiburg, 1994

- Crystal and bubble phases have largest density difference.
- Low St --- crystals travel with melt.
- However mixing can still be efficient.



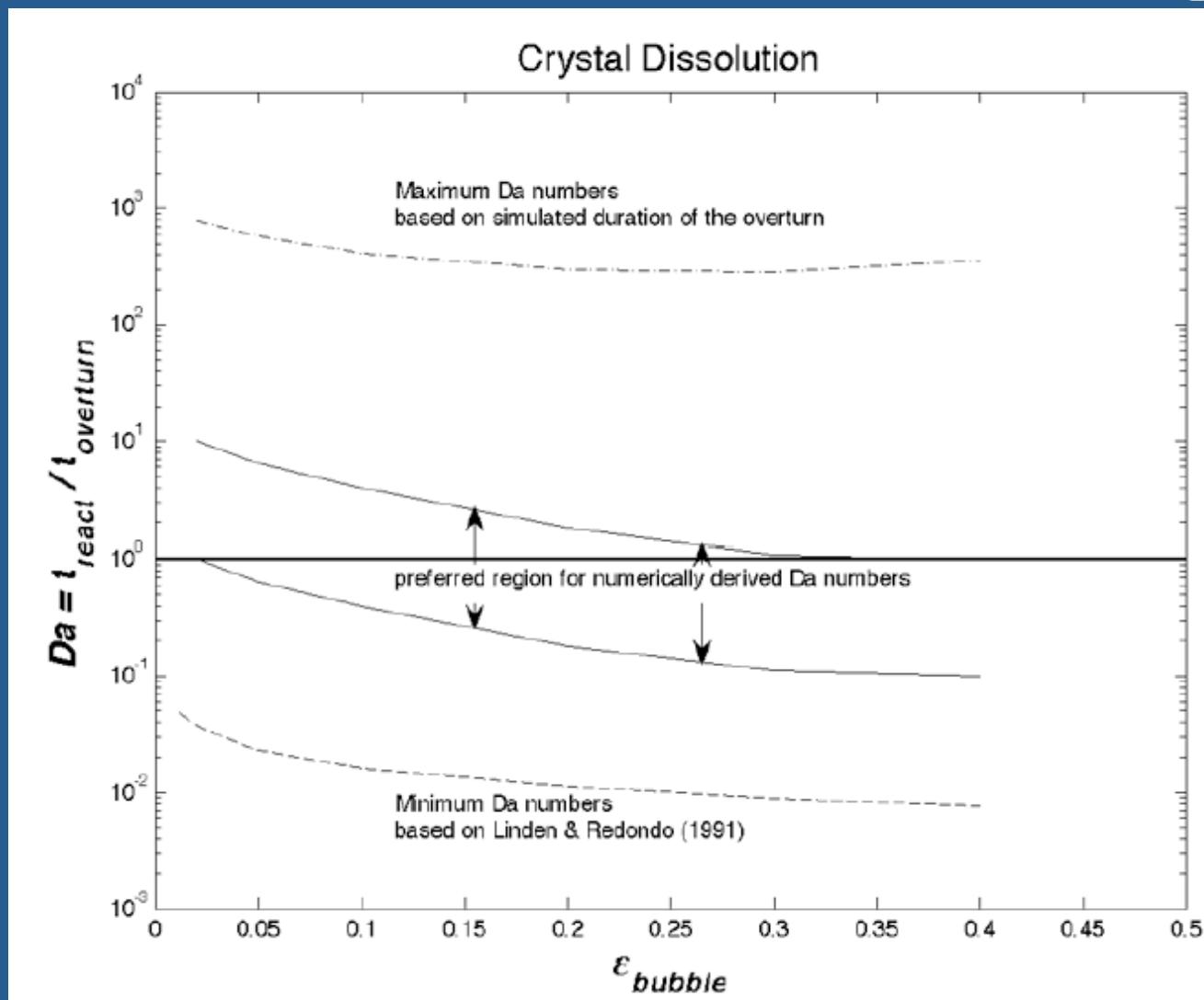
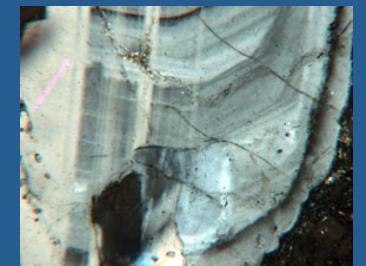
In this overturn simulation a significant proportion (>20%) of the crystal cargo may have originated from a distance of 100 m or more from each other. Therefore, a single mixing event is capable of juxtaposing crystals that originated from spatially distinct regions of the chamber, and with completely different histories (compositional zoning, textures, etc.).

How much do hand samples represent crystals
that have travelled together?

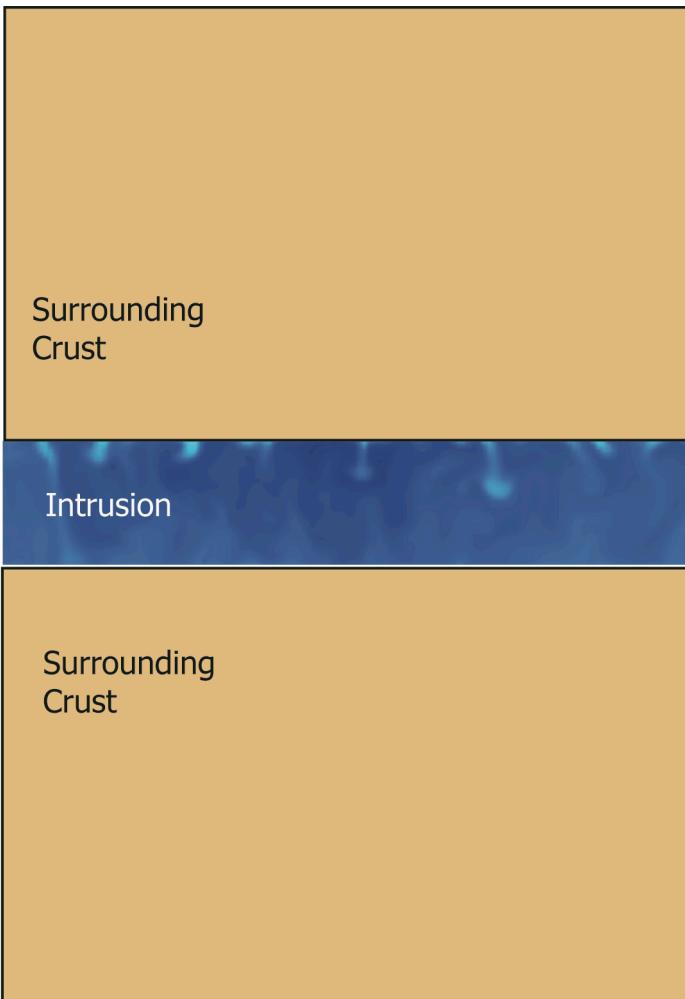


Relative distance between crystals

If crystals are gathered do they react quickly enough to preserve the signal?



Coupled Thermal and Mechanical Multiphase Model



- Considers both the thermal and dynamics aspect of this multiphase system.
- Included phase change.
- Modeled evolving physical properties (density, viscosity, etc using major oxides from MELTS).
- Included a drag formulation to consider a wide range of crystal fraction from dilute suspensions to compaction flows.

Multiphase Equations for Magma Chamber

Volume fraction of all phases equals 1

$$\sum_k \phi_k = 1$$

Conservation of Mass

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\phi_k \rho_k) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_i} (\phi_k \rho_k \mathbf{u}_{k,i}) = R_k$$

Conservation of Momentum

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Multiphase Equations for Magma Chamber

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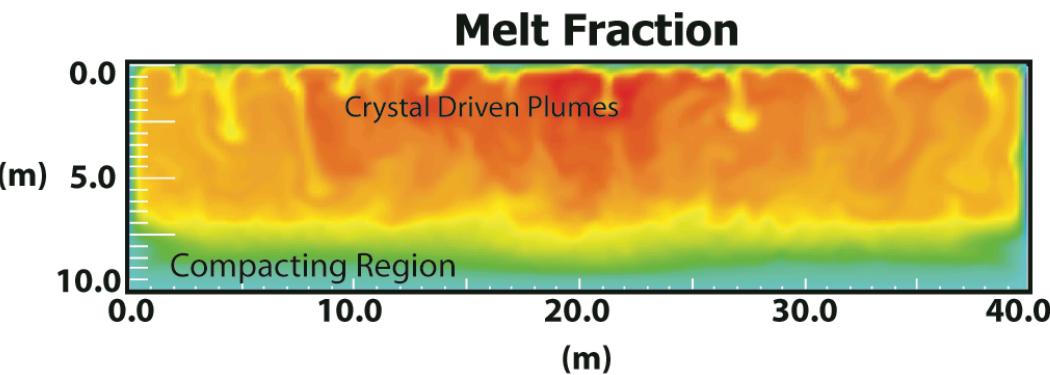
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Crystallization

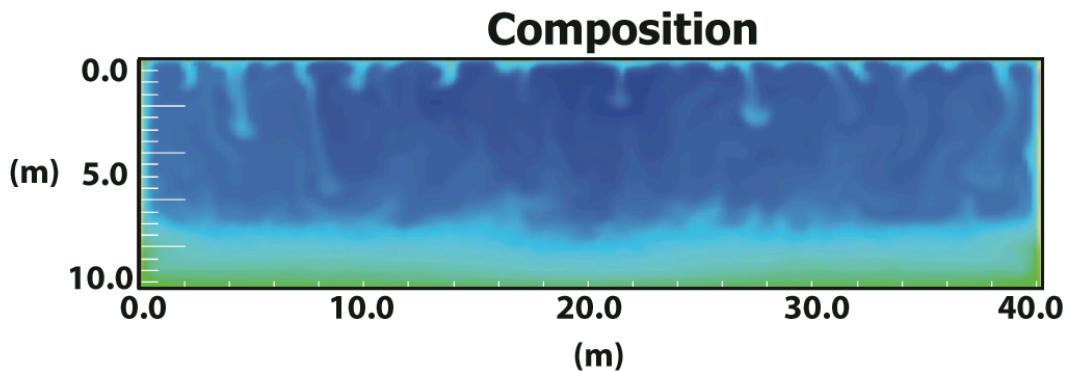
An Example Simulation:

Basaltic intrusion, modeled
intrusion depth: 24 km

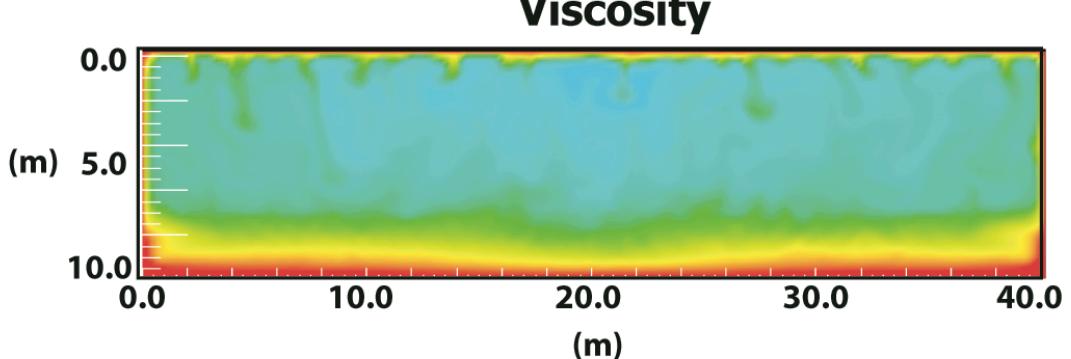
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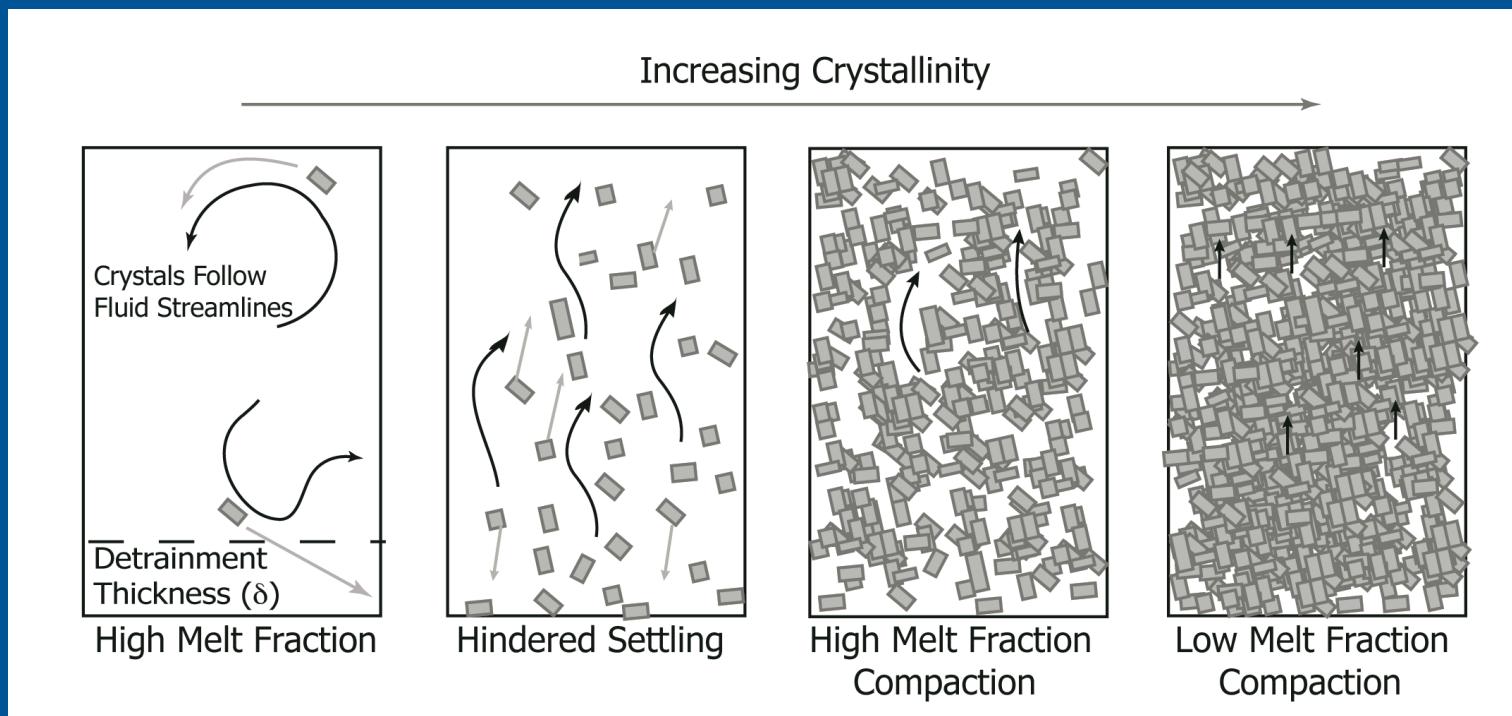


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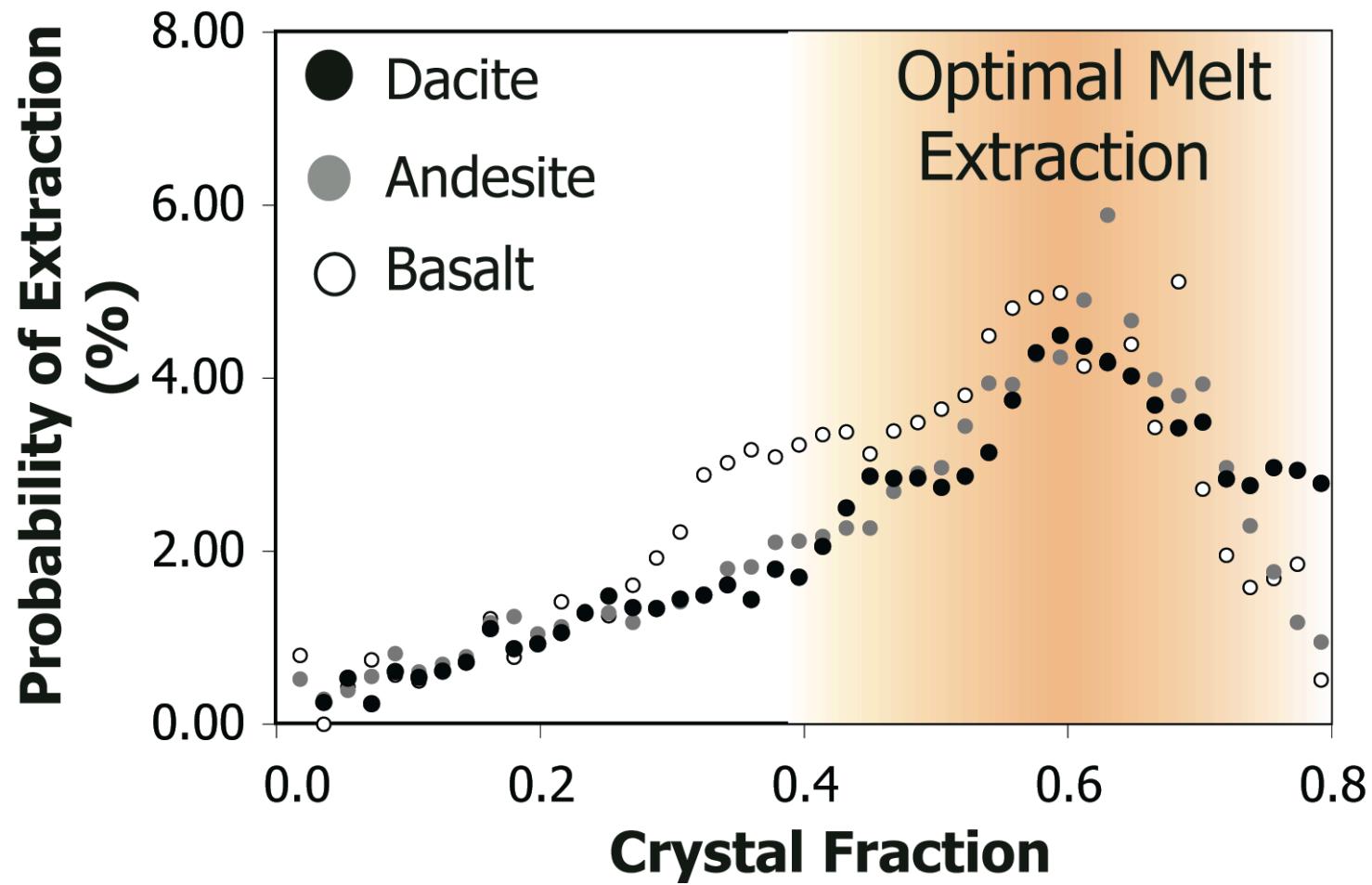
Melt extraction probability is modulated by two factors:

1. The length of time a given magmatic composition exists (thermal problem).
2. Separation velocity between crystal and melt phases.

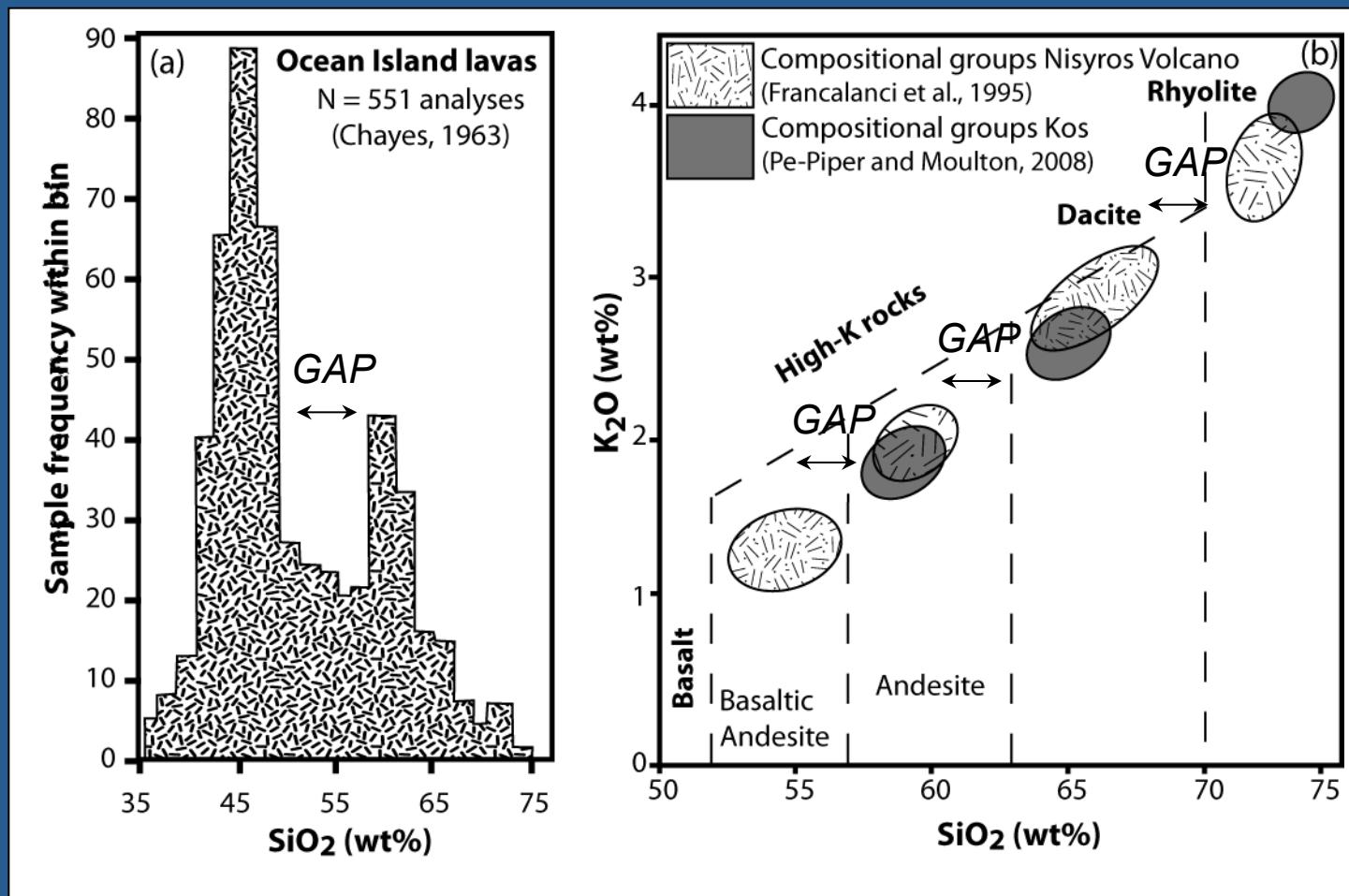


Melt Extraction probability

Reference Depth: 20 km

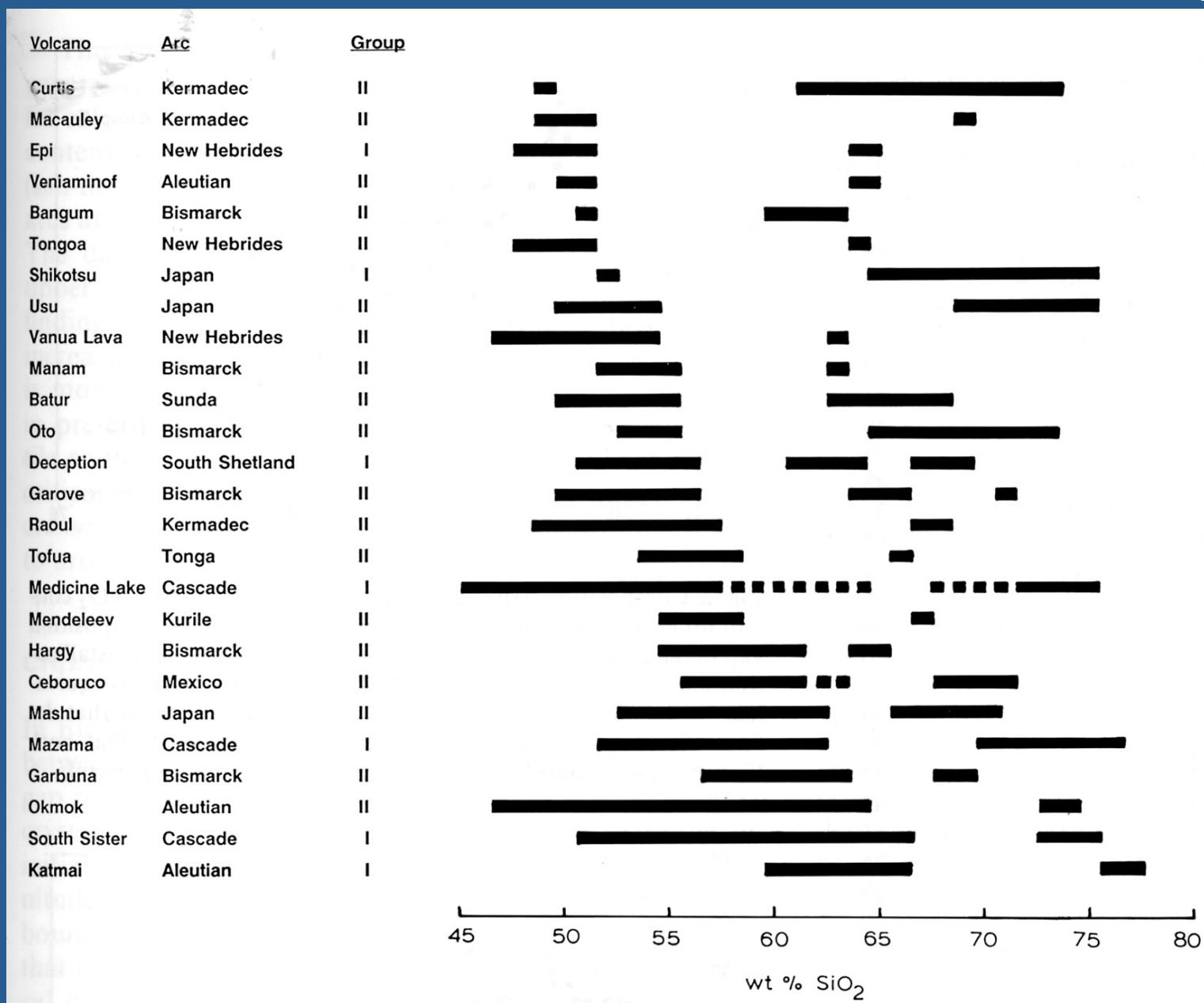


Compositional Gaps, or Daly Gaps - A paucity in the occurrence of intermediate erupted compositions.



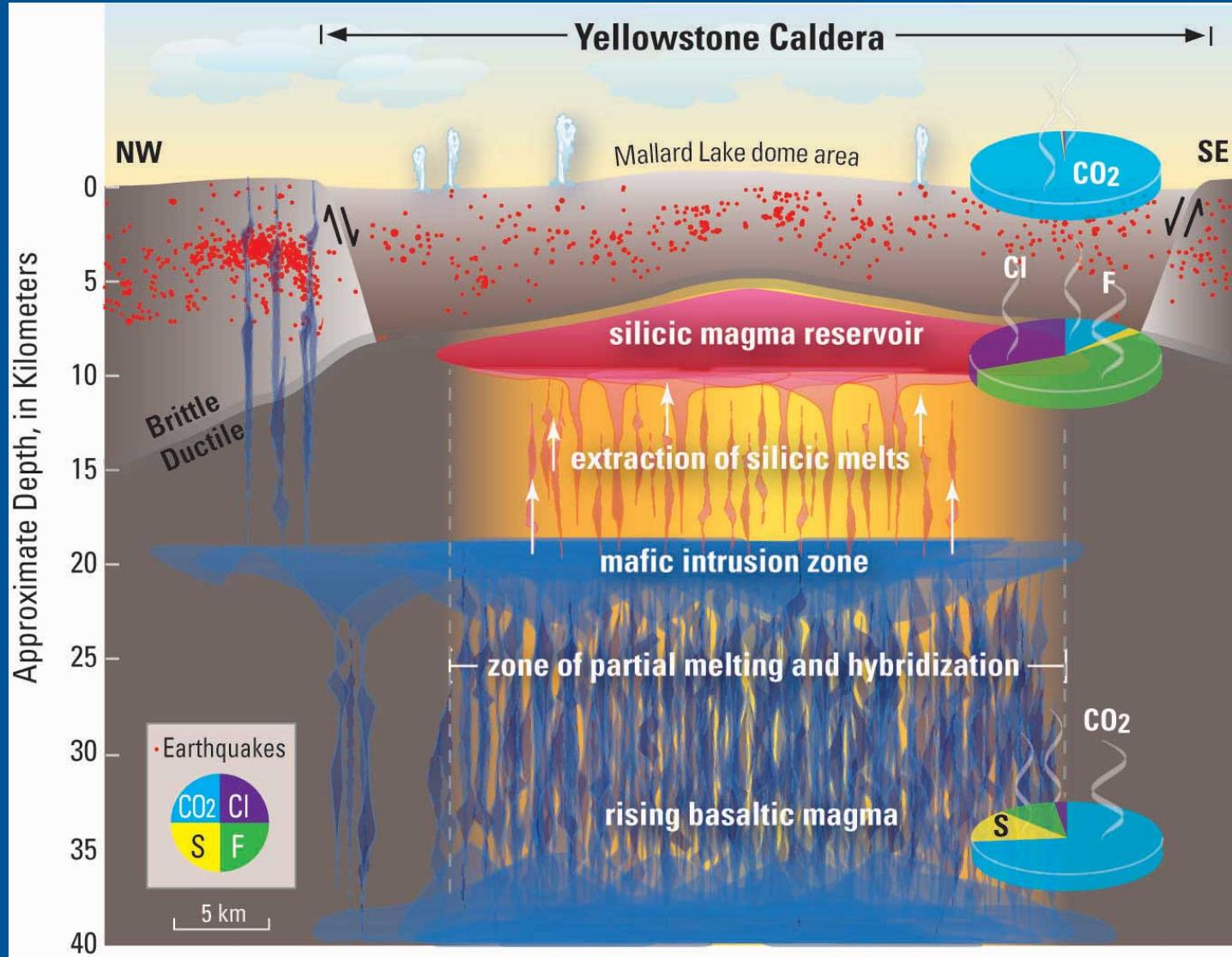
A gap in this framework does not necessarily imply complete absence of certain compositions (such assertions can be hard to make rigorously) but the relative dearth of compositions.

Observations of Gaps are abundant - Here a compilation from Brophy in SiO_2 .

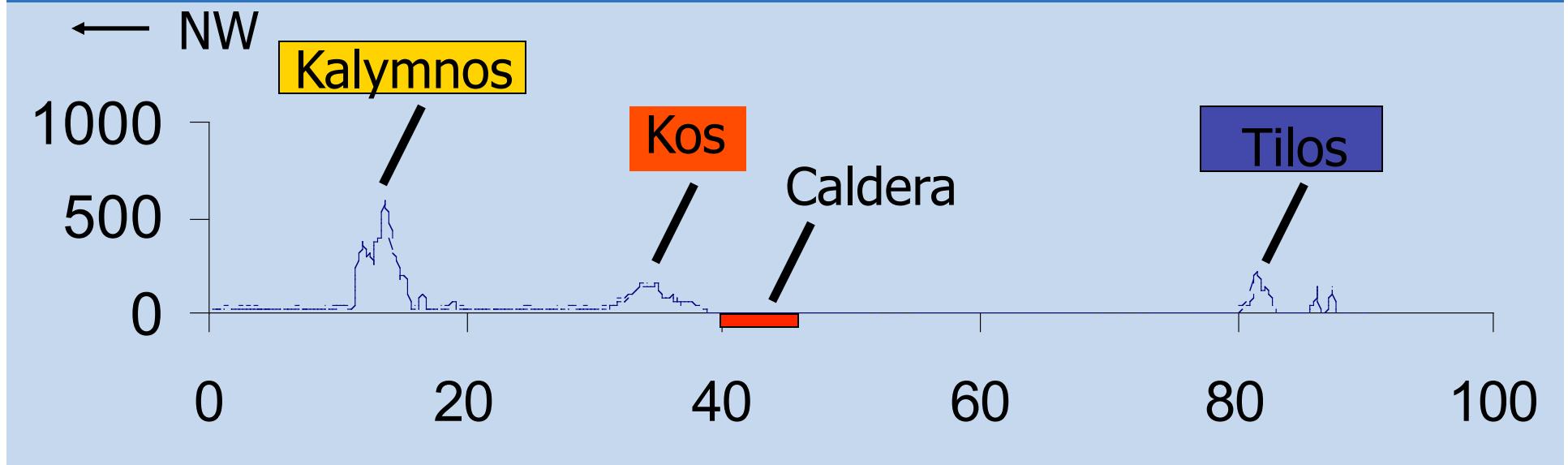


Brophy, 1991

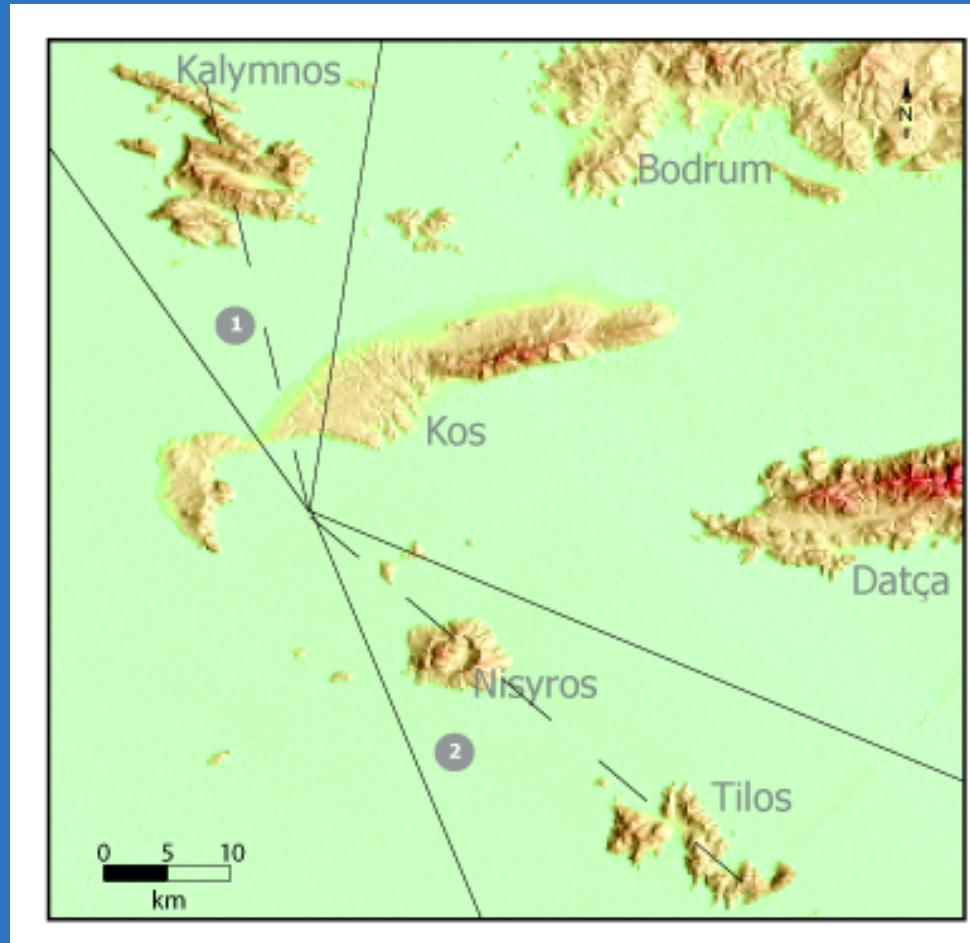
Link to eruptions and syn-eruptive mixing



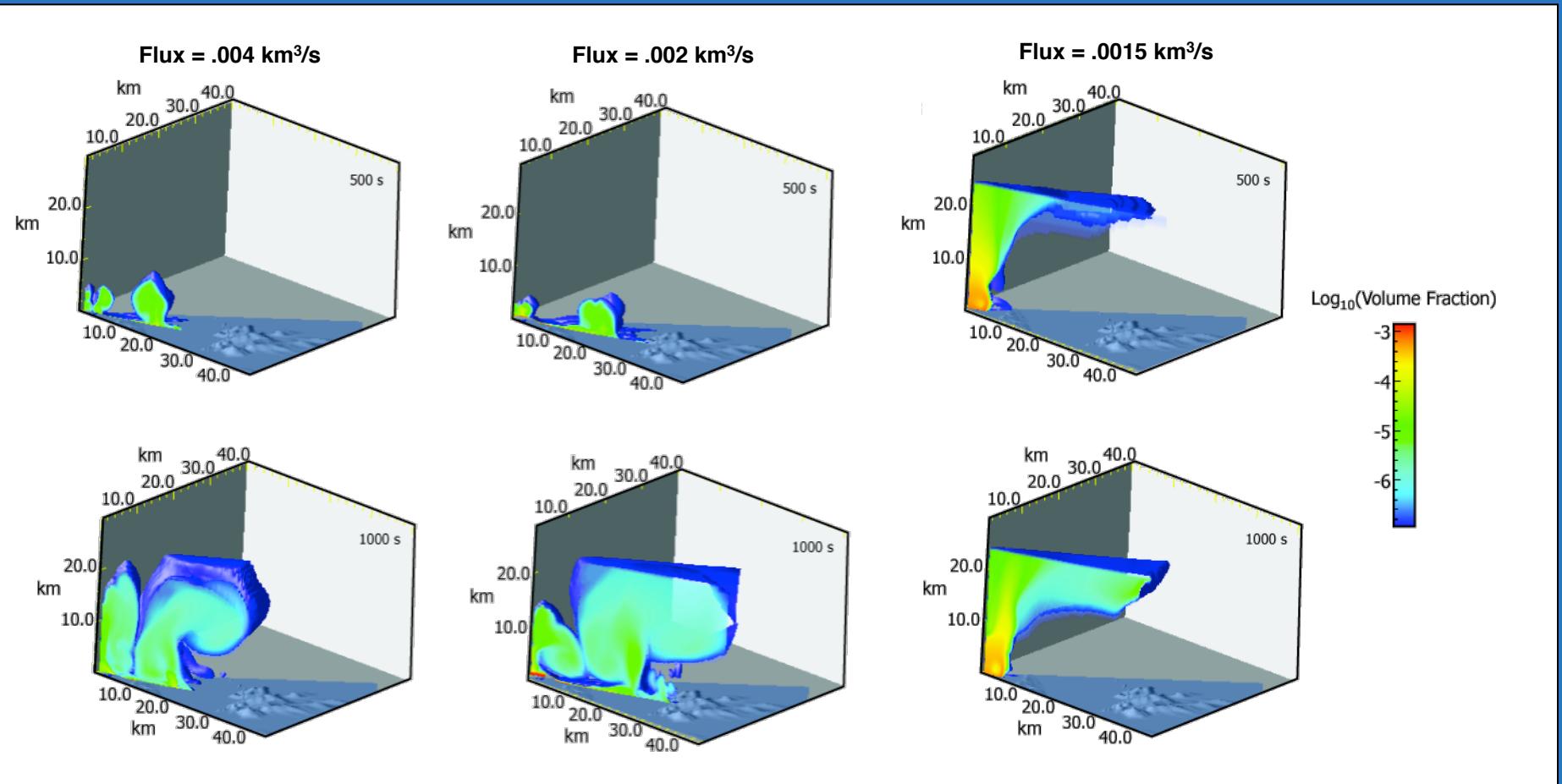
Lowenstern and Hurwitz, 2008

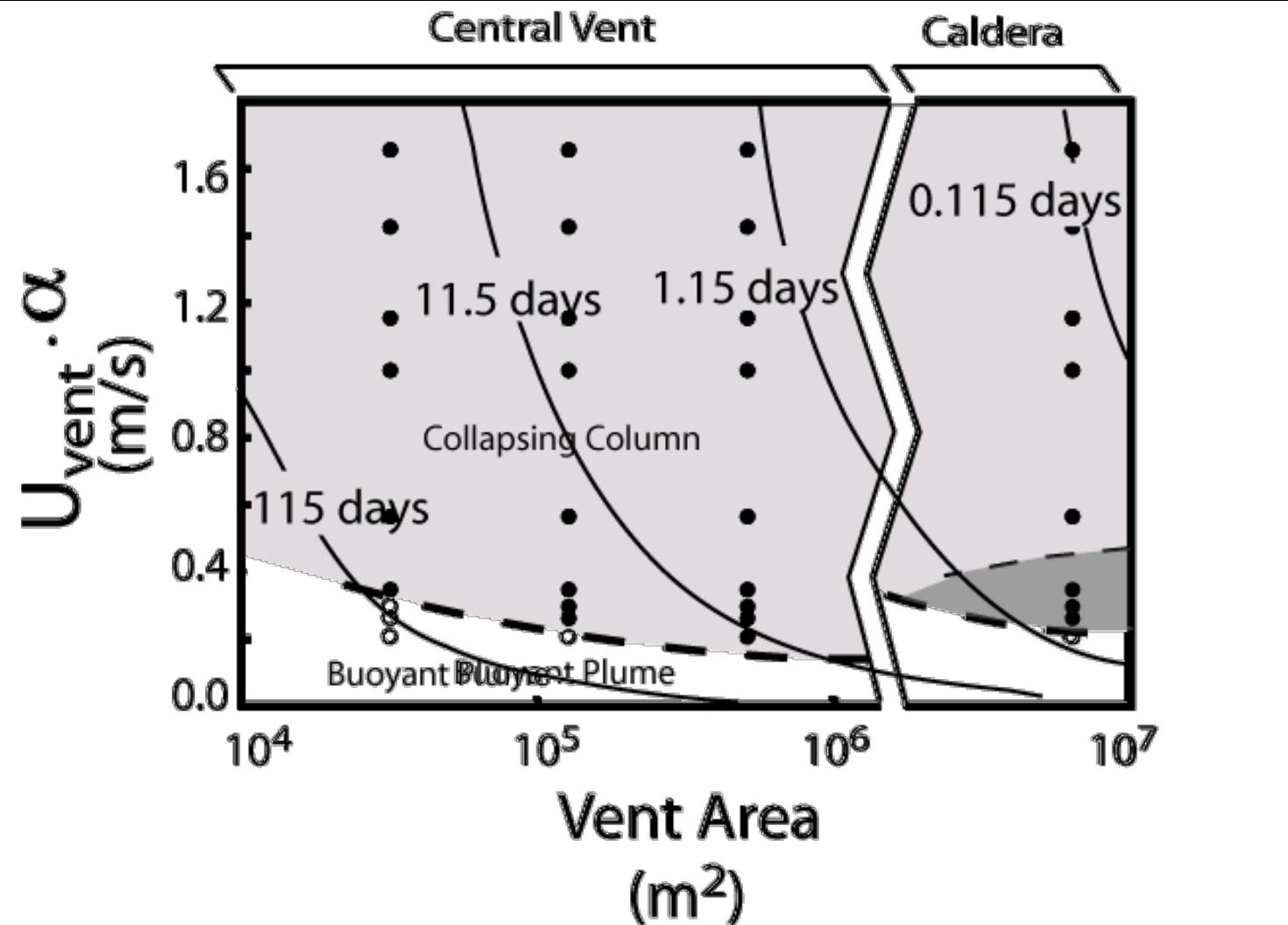


Kos Plateau Tuff - Using EEL to constrain eruptive conditions

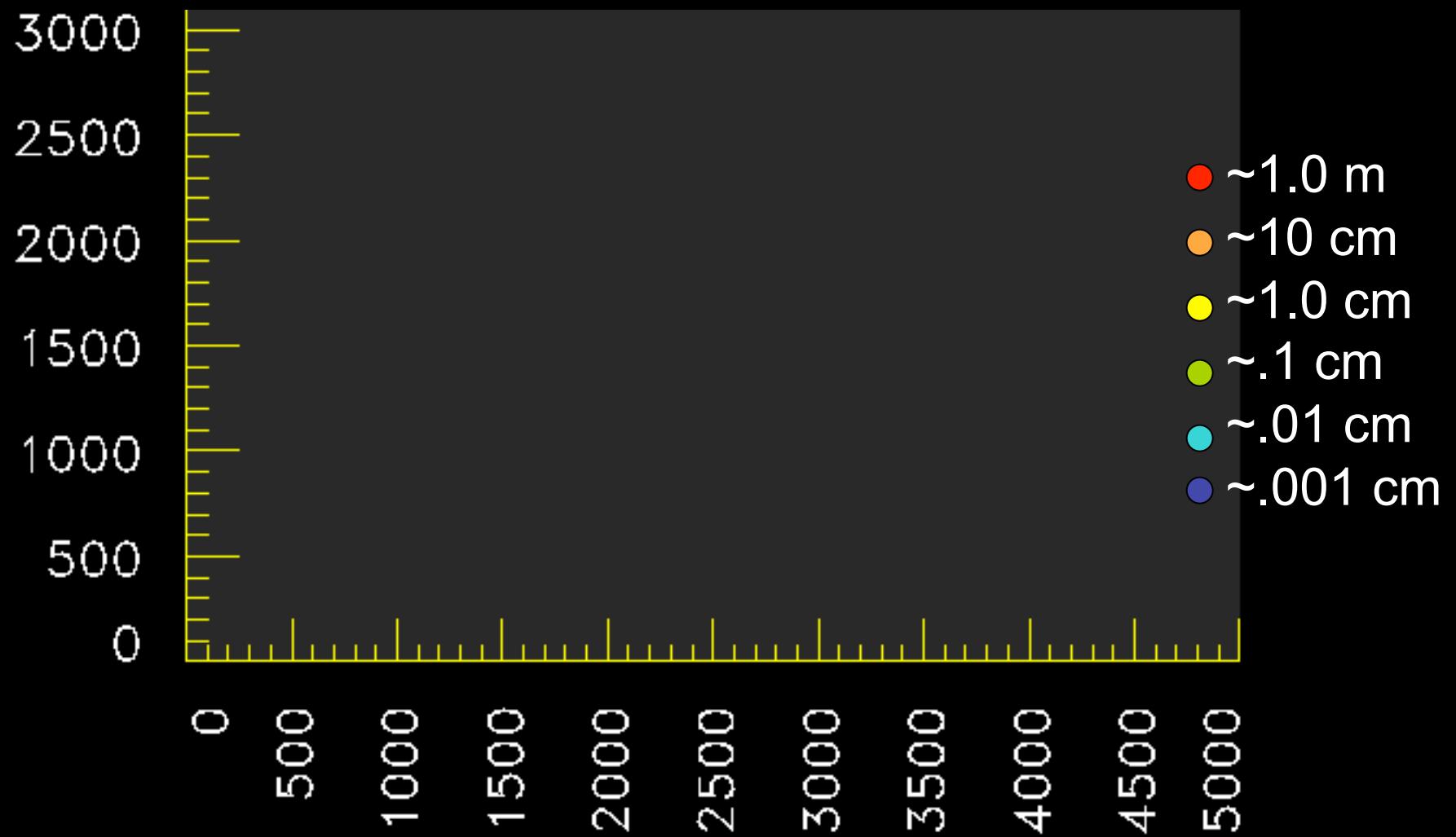


A survey of 3D dynamics



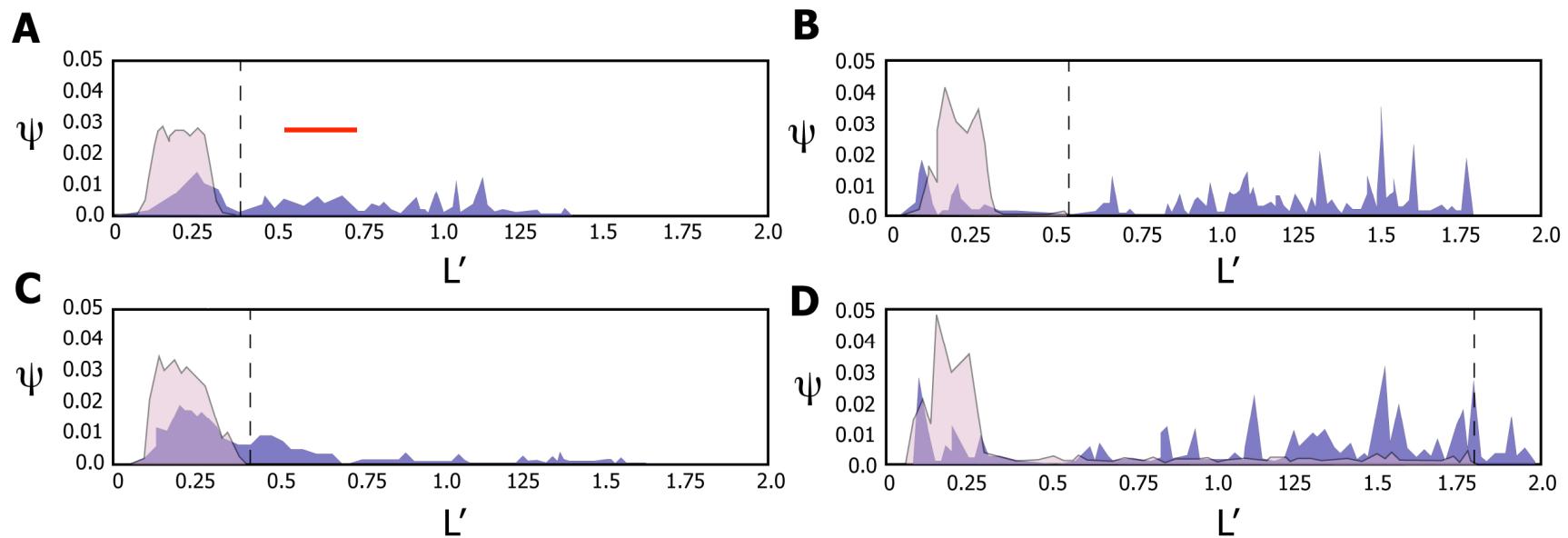
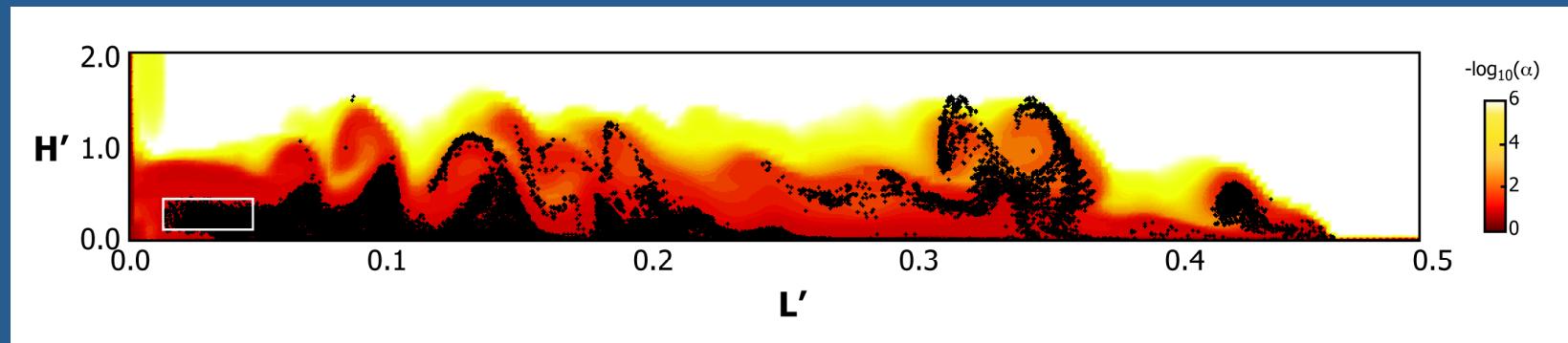


Eruptive Flux: $10^5 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$



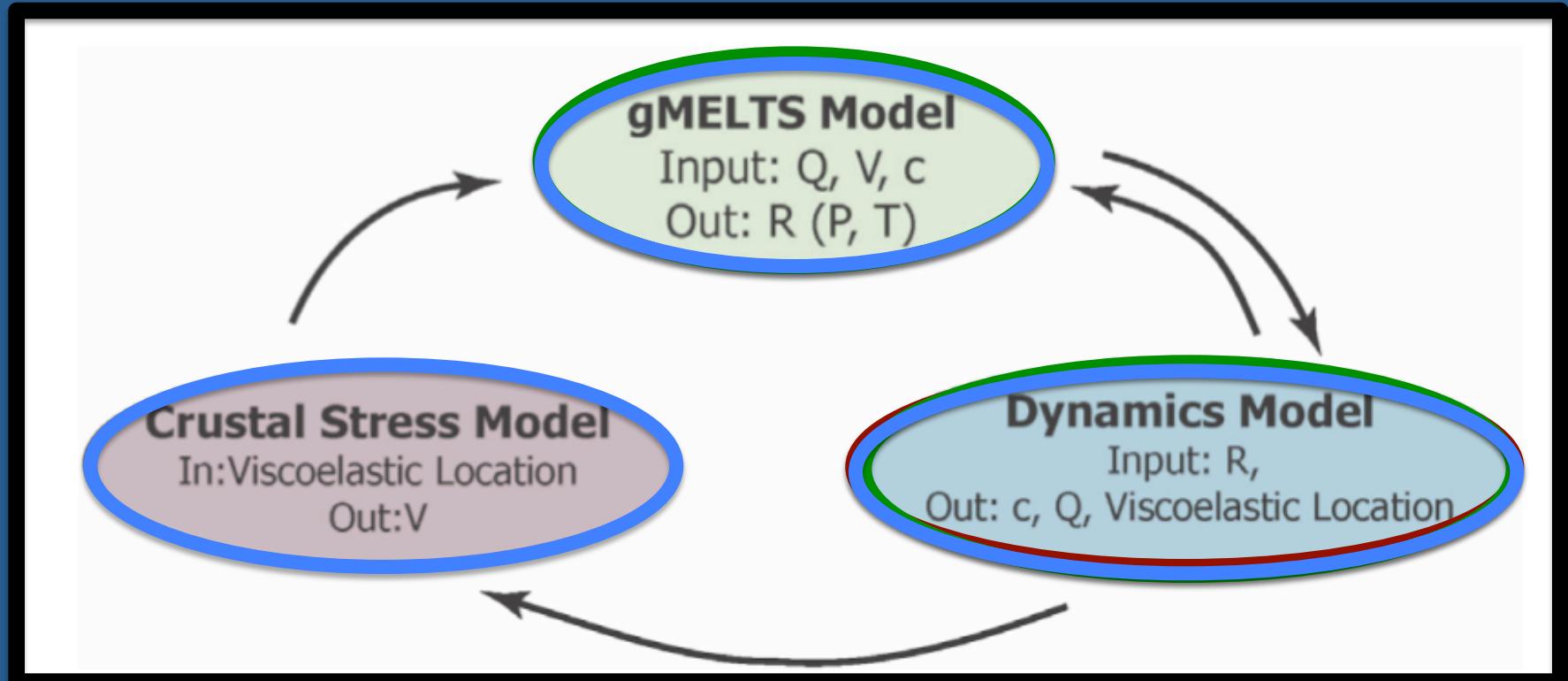
Scale in meters

Lagrangian Analysis



Well-mixed ash ($St < 1$) particles in pyroclastic density currents - welded ignimbrites likely eruptively well mixed.

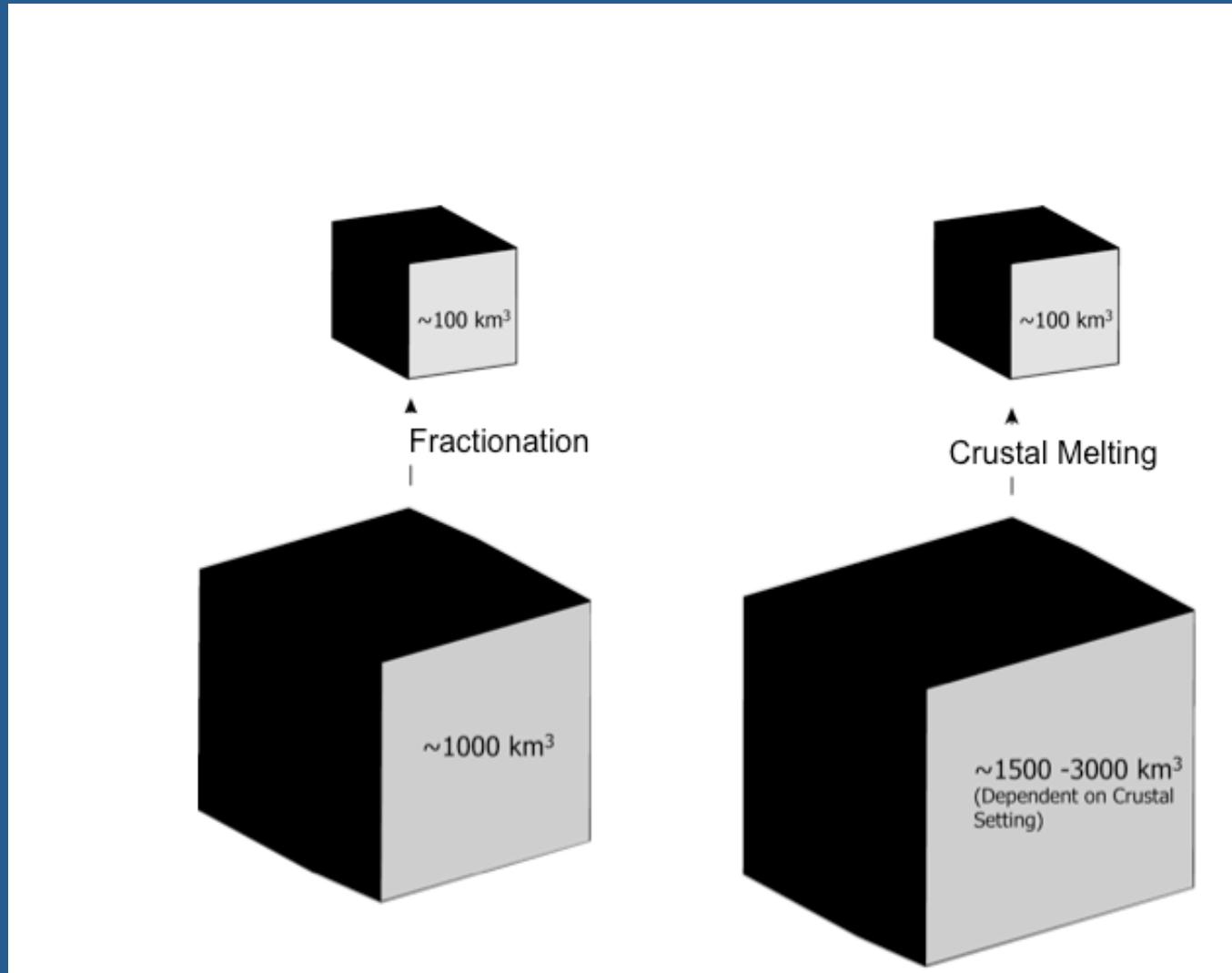
Coupled multiphase dynamics, stress field and thermodynamics models provide the context to integrate disparate observations.



Multiphase dynamics in magma chambers and its role in melt
Determination of detailed phase equilibria, melt residence times
Magma chamber pressure, composition, and crustal stress
and accurate calculations of sensible to latent heat ratios.
fields, and influence on phase equilibria.

Persistent questions....

Both Fractionation and Melting Create an Apparent Crustal Mass Balance Issue



Continental Crust Paradox

(Kay and Kay, 1988; Rudnick, 1995; C.T.A. Lee et al. 2006)

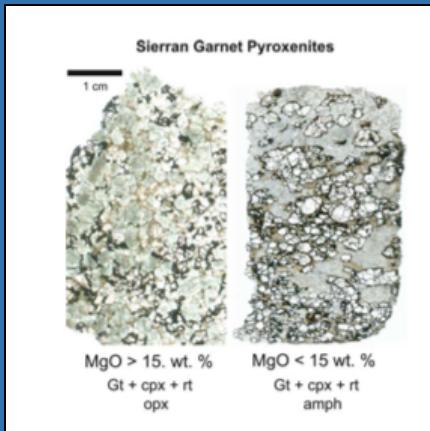
- Crust is more silicic than primitive mantle melt input.

Crustal Compositions
Compilation from *Rudnick and Gao, 2003*

| | Lower Crust | Middle Crust | Upper Crust | Bulk Crust |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| SiO₂ | 53.4 | 63.5 | 66.6 | 60.6 |
| Al₂O₃ | 16.9 | 15 | 15.4 | 15.9 |
| FeO | 8.57 | 6.02 | 5.03 | 6.7 |
| MgO | 7.24 | 3.59 | 2.48 | 4.7 |
| CaO | 9.59 | 5.25 | 3.59 | 6.4 |
| Na₂O | 2.65 | 3.39 | 3.27 | 3.1 |
| K₂O | .61 | 2.3 | 2.8 | 1.8 |

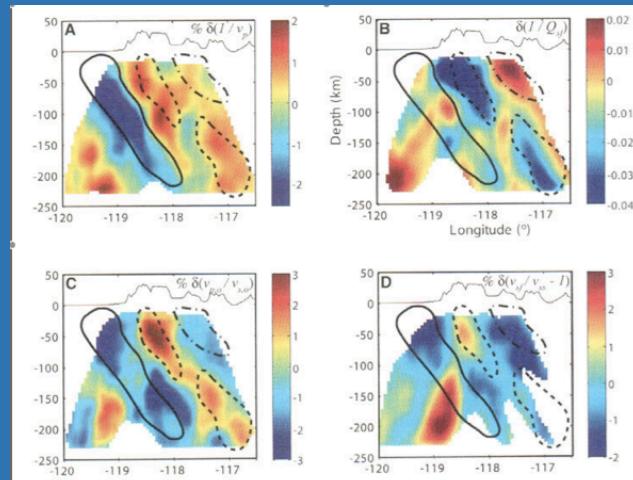
A Potential Resolution - Mass return back to the mantle (R-T instabilities, delamination, erosion...)

Xenoliths



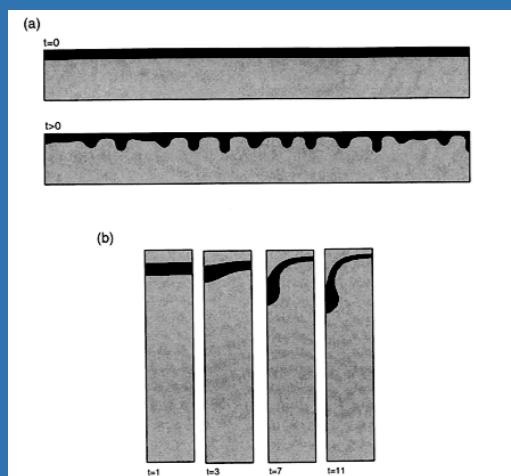
Lee et al, 2006

Tomography



Boyd et al, 2004

Dynamic Models



Jull and Kelemen, 2001

How might foundering be related to an actively growing crust, being forced by mass and enthalpy input?

Magmatic Rates in the Crust

