This homework is about the paper Levinson, H. F., et al. 2008, "Origin of the structure of the Kuiper belt during a dynamical instability in the orbits of Uranus and Neptune," Icarus, 196, 258.

- 1. This question is about Fig. 1 of Levinson, H. F., et al, 2008, Icarus, 196. 258.
 - a. (3 pts.) What is the scattered disk? Circle these on the figure.
 - b. (3 pt.) What are Plutinos? Circle them on the figure.
 - c. (3 pts.) What is the classical Kuiper Belt? Circle them on the figure.
- 2. (4 pts.) Explain the dynamical instability in the orbits of Uranus and Neptune.
- 3. (8 pts.) Summarize the paper by Levinson et al. in one paragraph. Write this for someone who has taken Phy183. You must address these questions: What question did they try answer? What did they do? What did they find out?
- 4. Levenson et al. make point (vi) on p. 259.

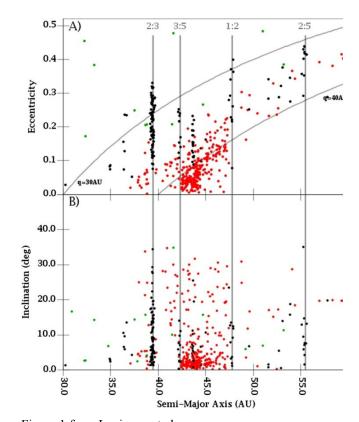


Figure 1 from Levinson et al.

- a. (2 pts.) What is the correlation that they discuss?
- b. (5 pts.) What did their computer simulation tell them about this point? How do they account for this correlation?