

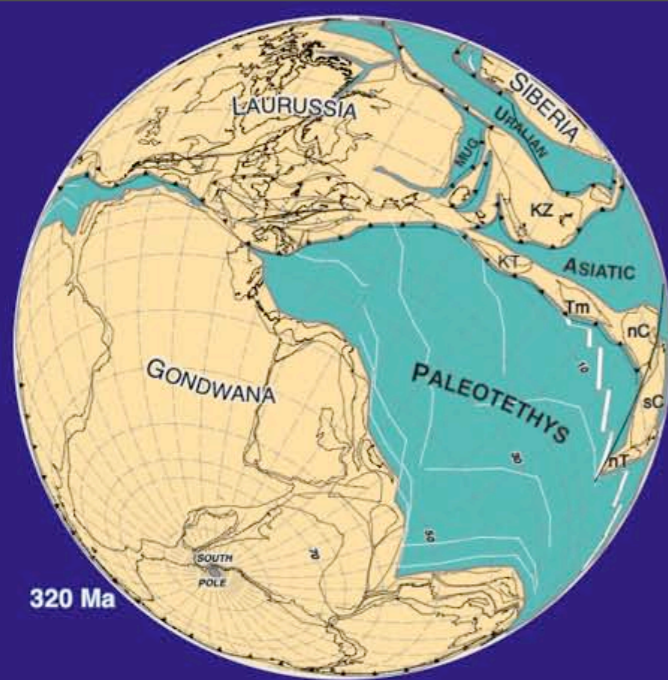
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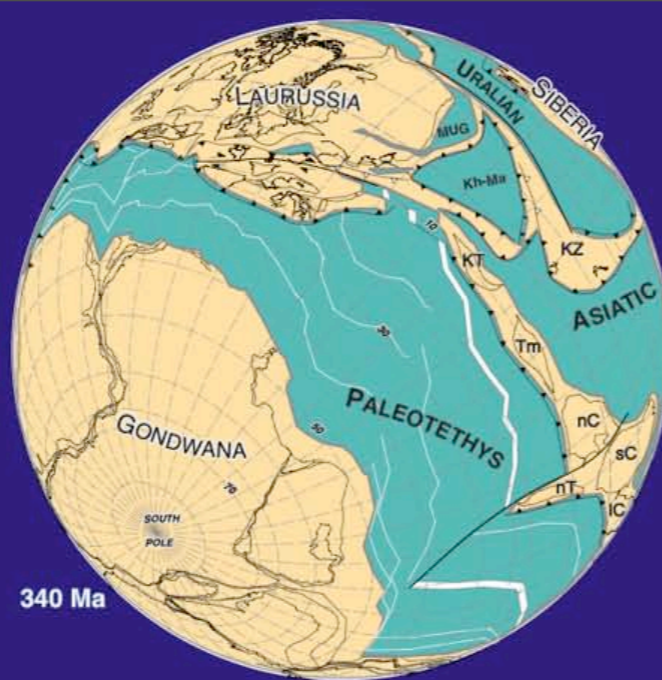
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Global reconstruction & database project

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320 Ma



340 Ma



360 Ma



380 Ma



400 Ma

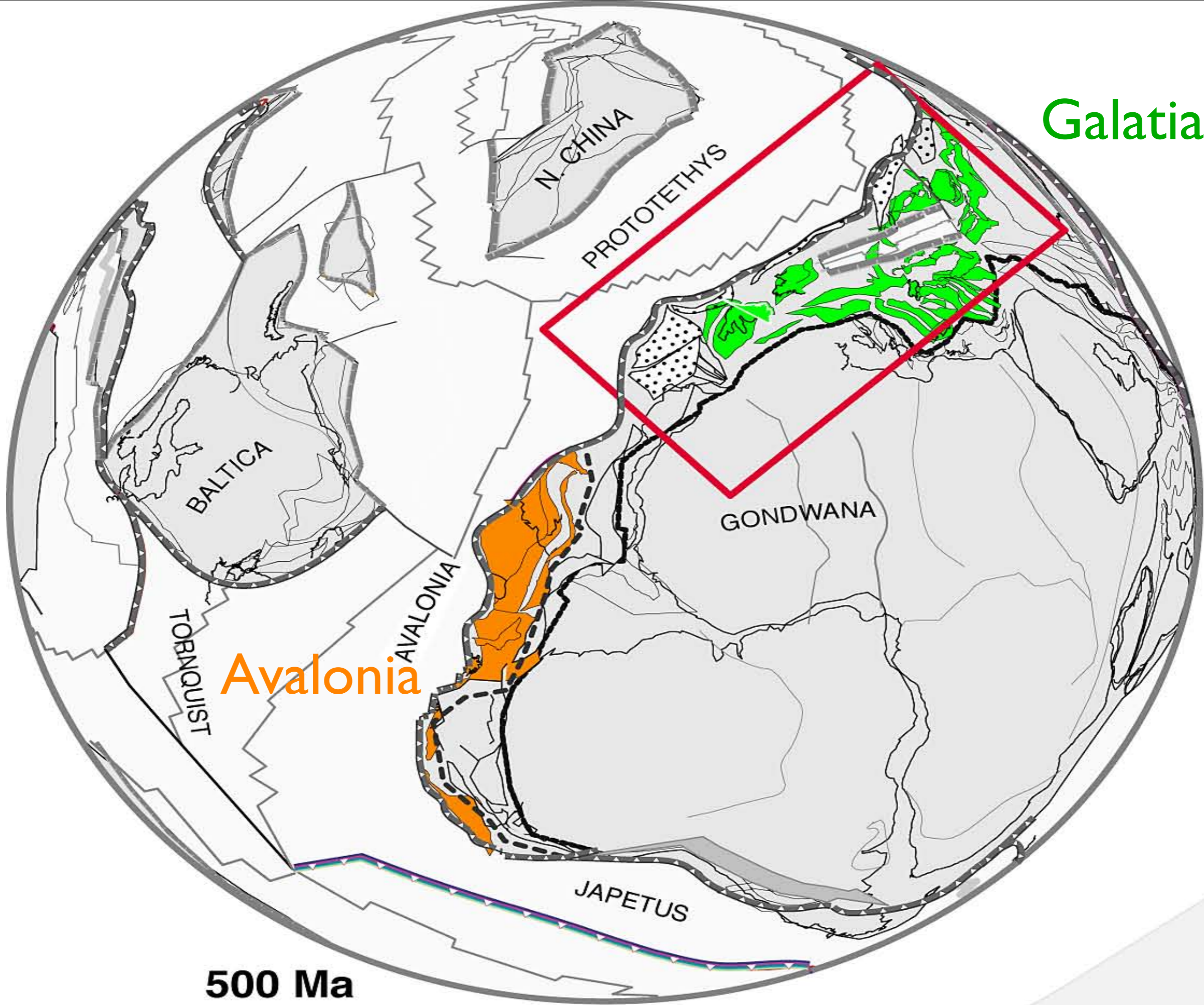


420 Ma

Variscan cycle

Eovariscan cycle

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Galatian

Avalonia

500 Ma

palinspastic model for Galatian superterrane

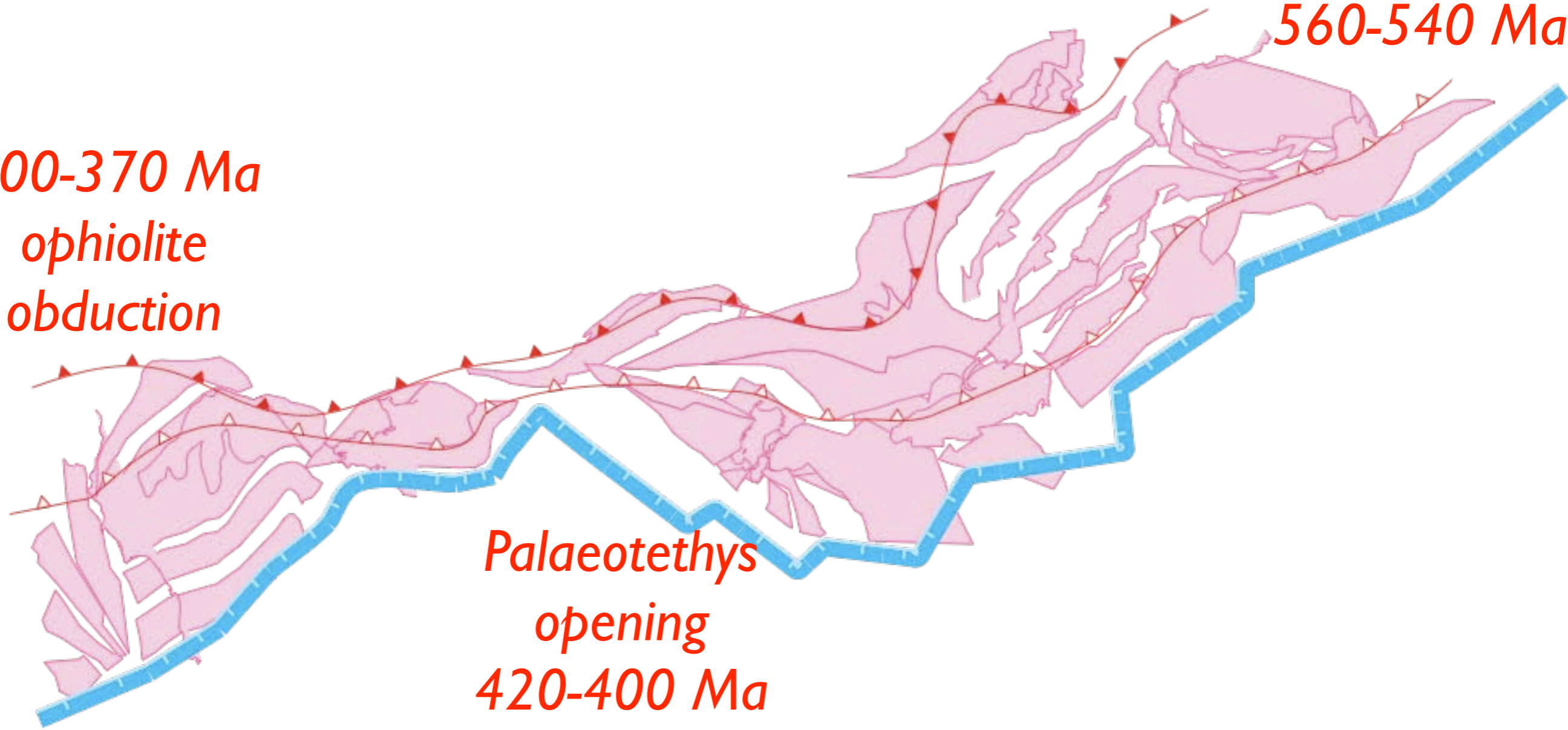
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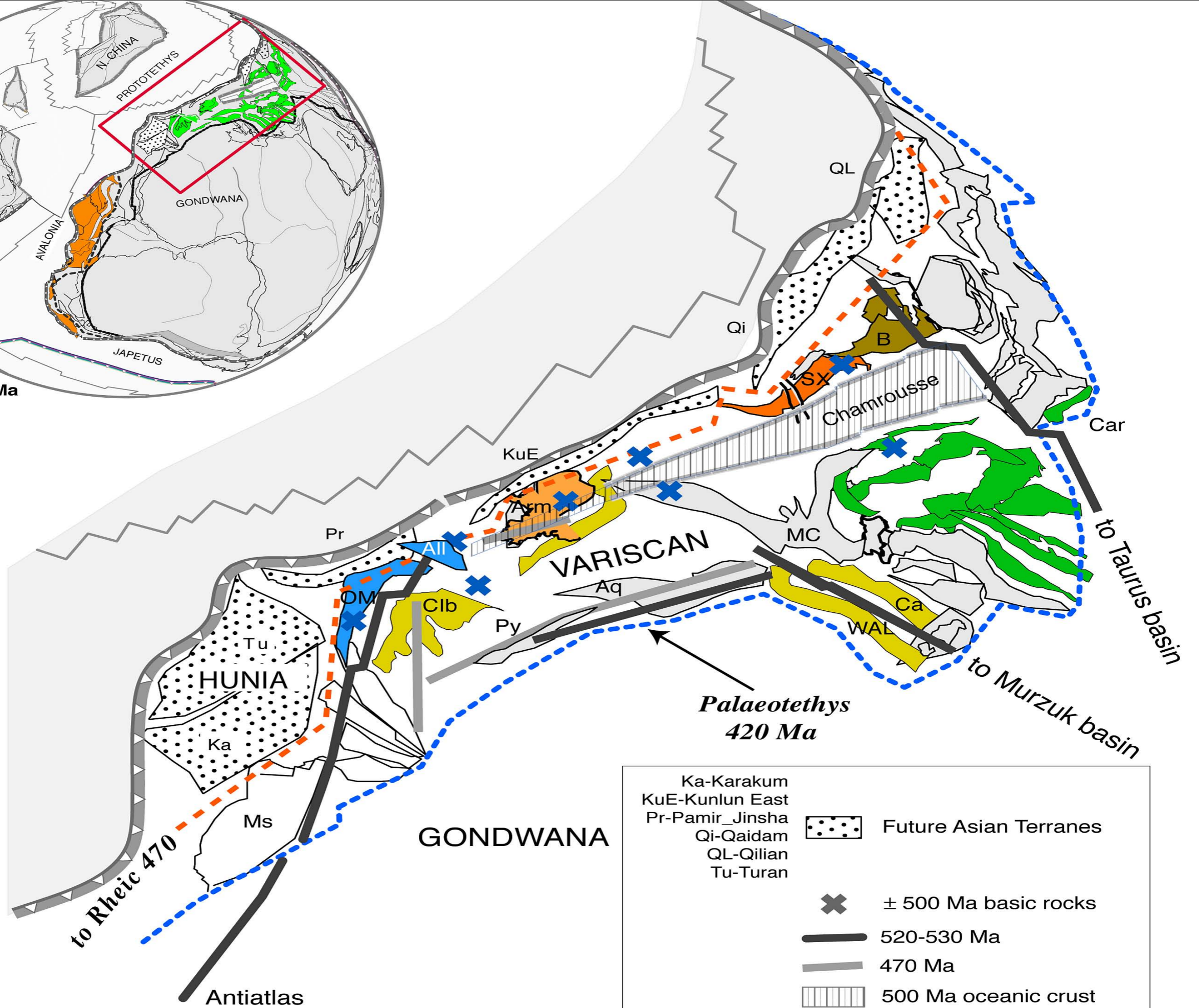
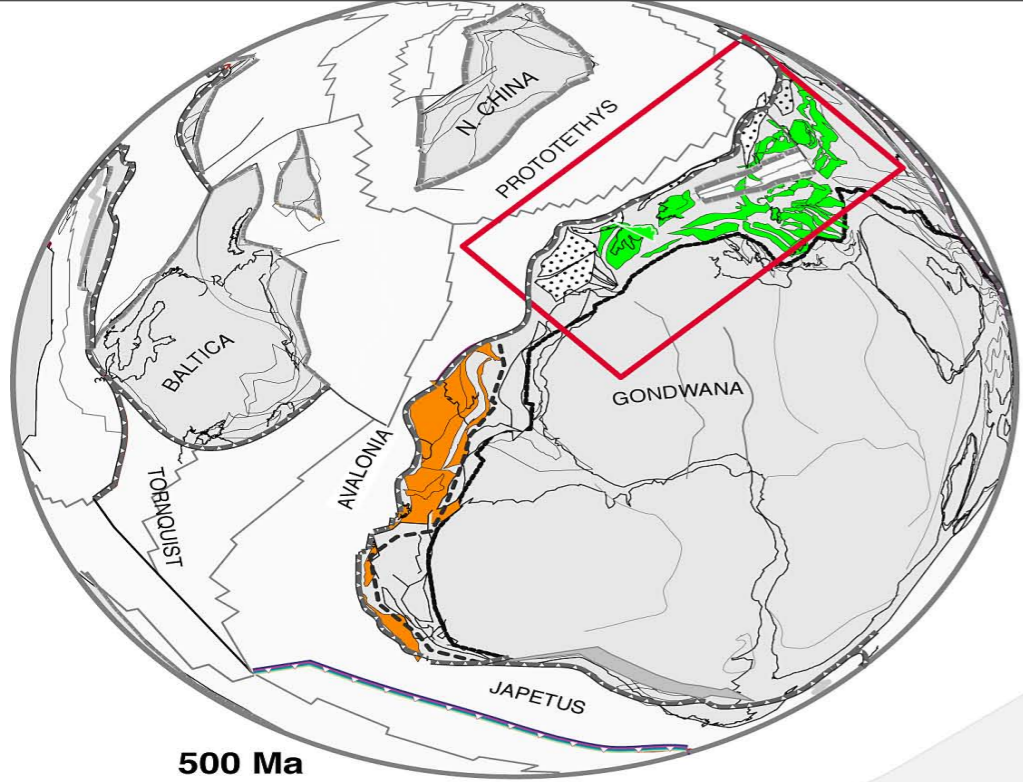
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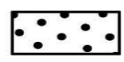





560-540 Ma

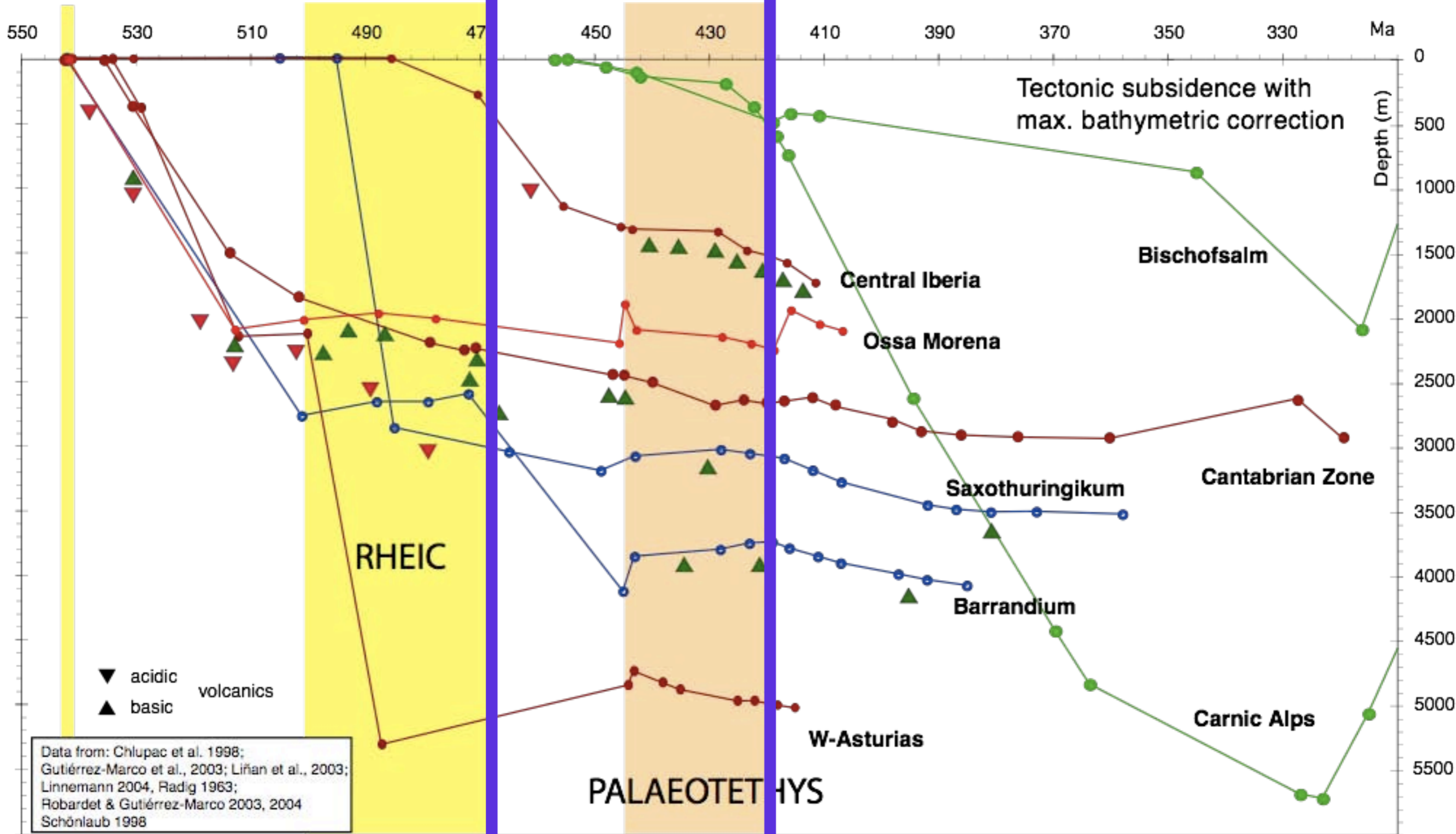
*400-370 Ma
ophiolite
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*Palaeotethys
opening
420-400 Ma*





Ka-Karakum	
KuE-Kunlun East	
Pr-Pamir_Jinsha	
Qi-Qaidam	
QL-Qilian	
Tu-Turan	
	Future Asian Terranes
	± 500 Ma basic rocks
	520-530 Ma
	470 Ma
	500 Ma oceanic crust
	active margin setting



Von Raumer & Stampfli in press

opening E-Rheic | opening PaleoTethys

VARISCAN MODEL

Cambrian arc

PROTOTETHYS

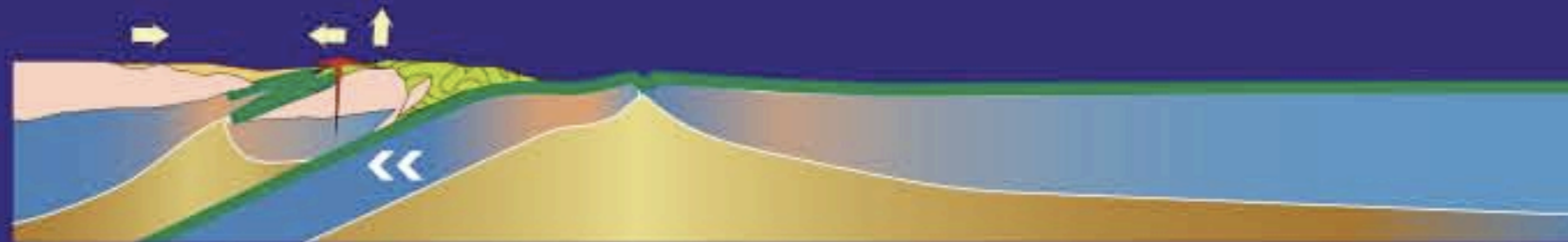


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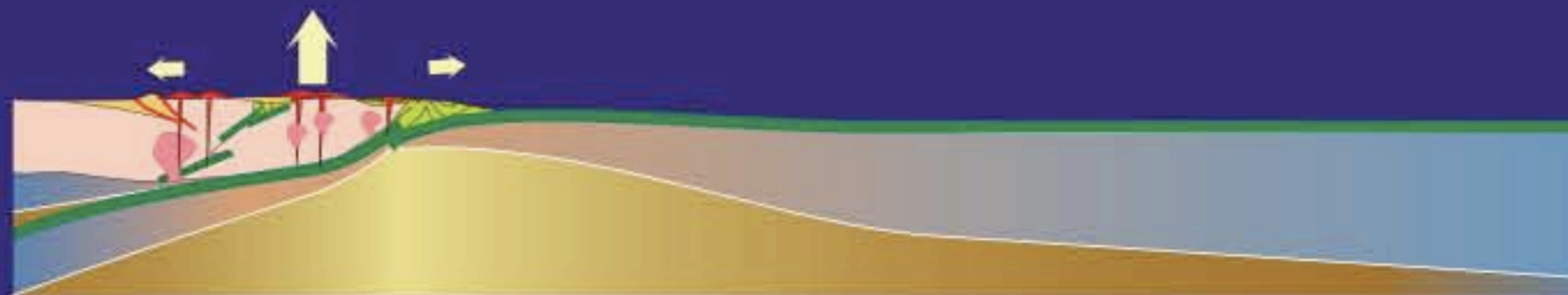
CHAMROUSSE



BACK-ARC SPREADING



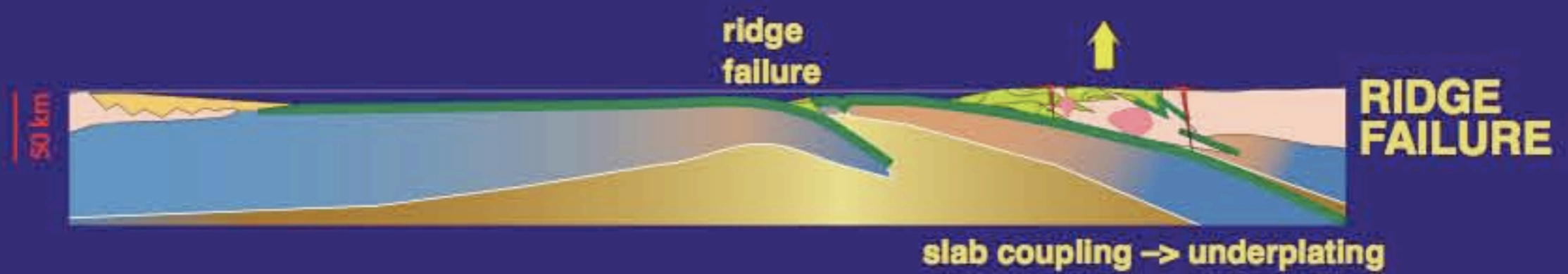
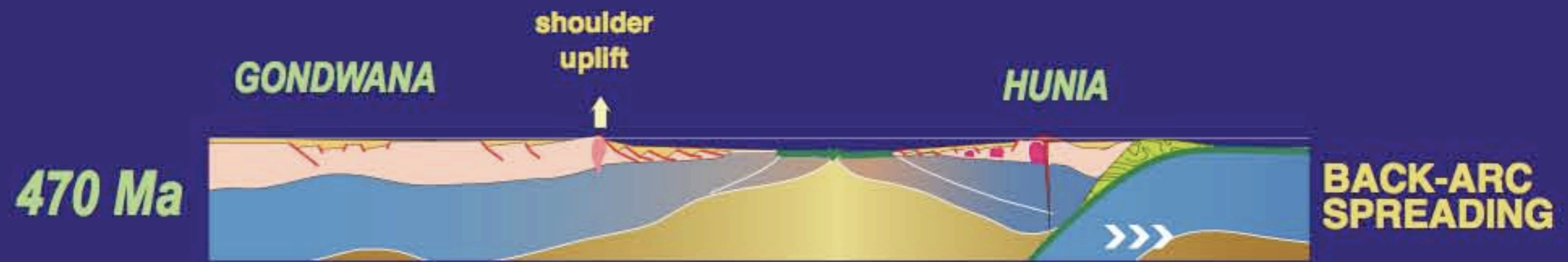
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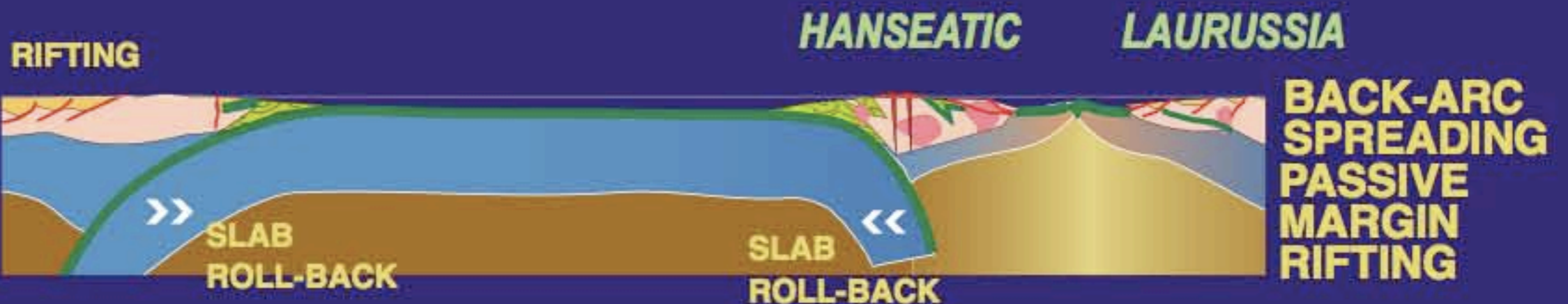
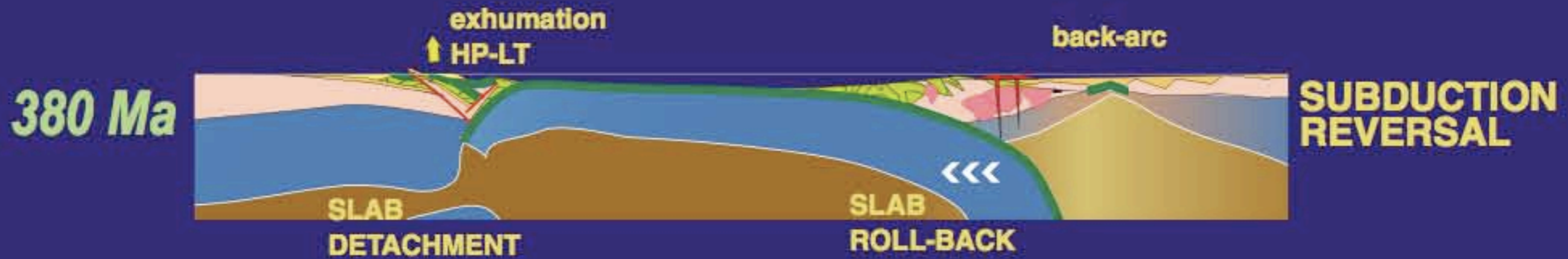
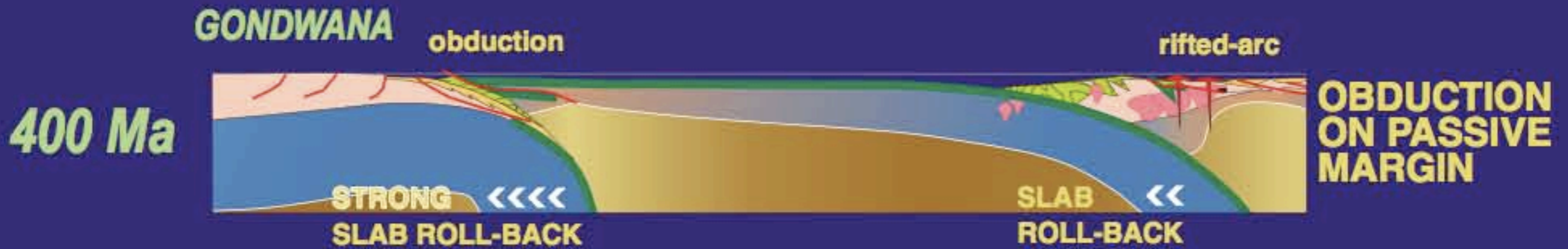


CORDILLERA RIDGE SUBDUCTION

500 Ma

Ordovician





GONDWANA

GALATIAN

RHENOHERCYNIAN



**DRIFTING
RIBBON
CONTINENT**

PALEOTETHYS

COLLAGE

350 Ma



**TERRANE
COLLISION**

CORDILLERA

340 Ma



**SUBDUCTION
REVERSAL
&
PROGRADATION**

STRIKE-SLIP



330 Ma



**RIDGE
SUBDUCTION**

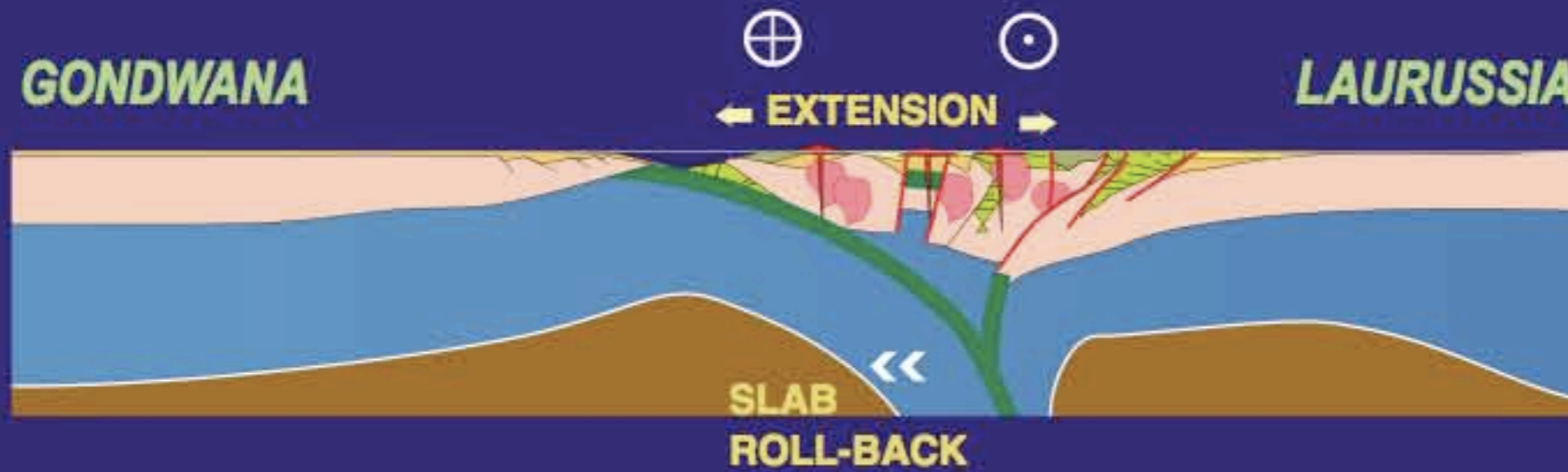


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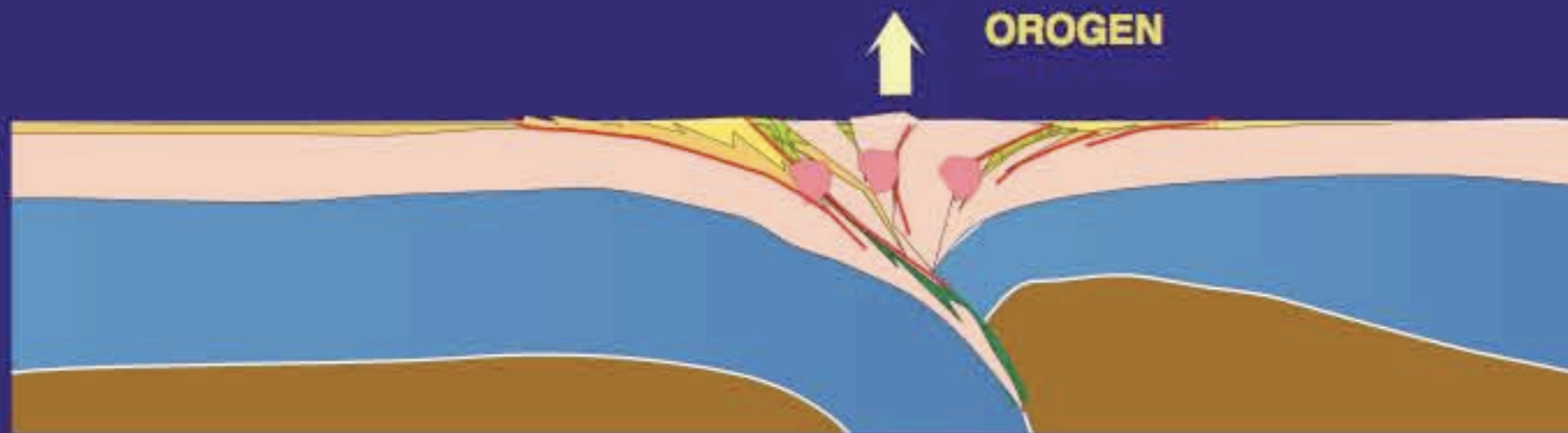
RIDGE
SUBDUCTION

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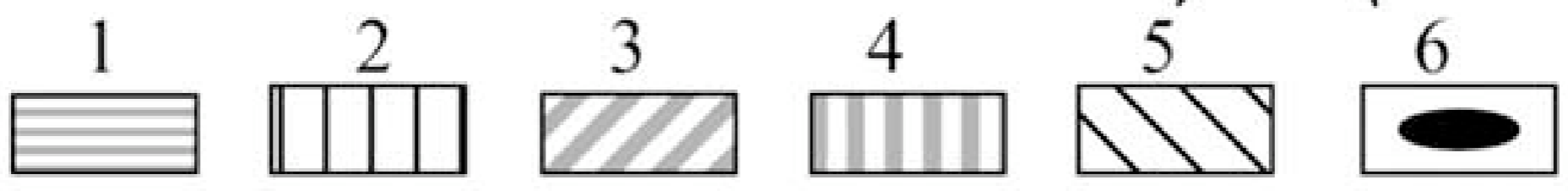
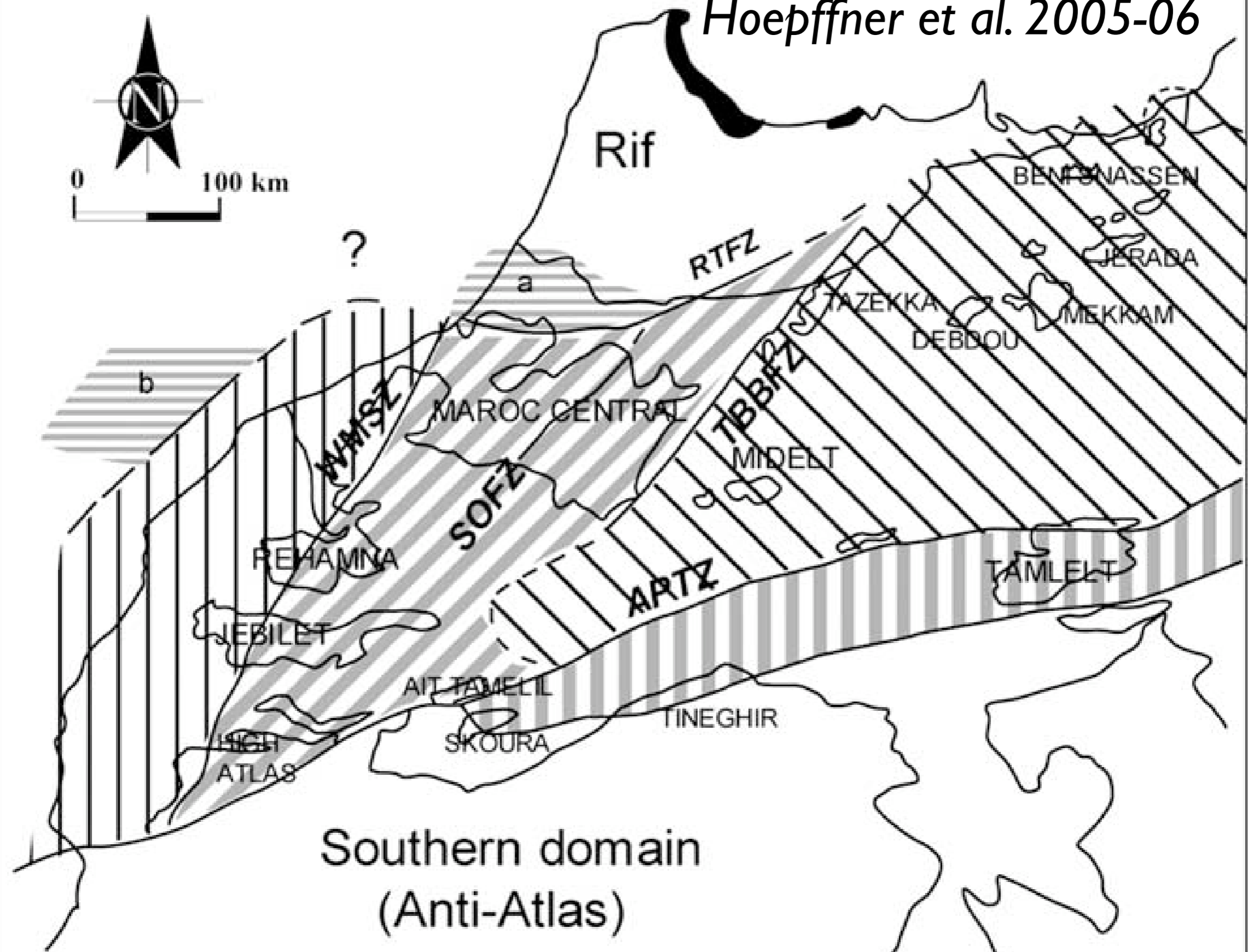
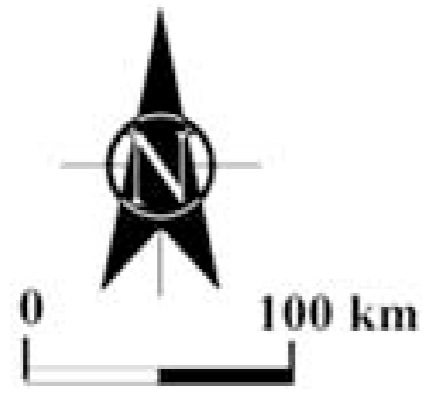


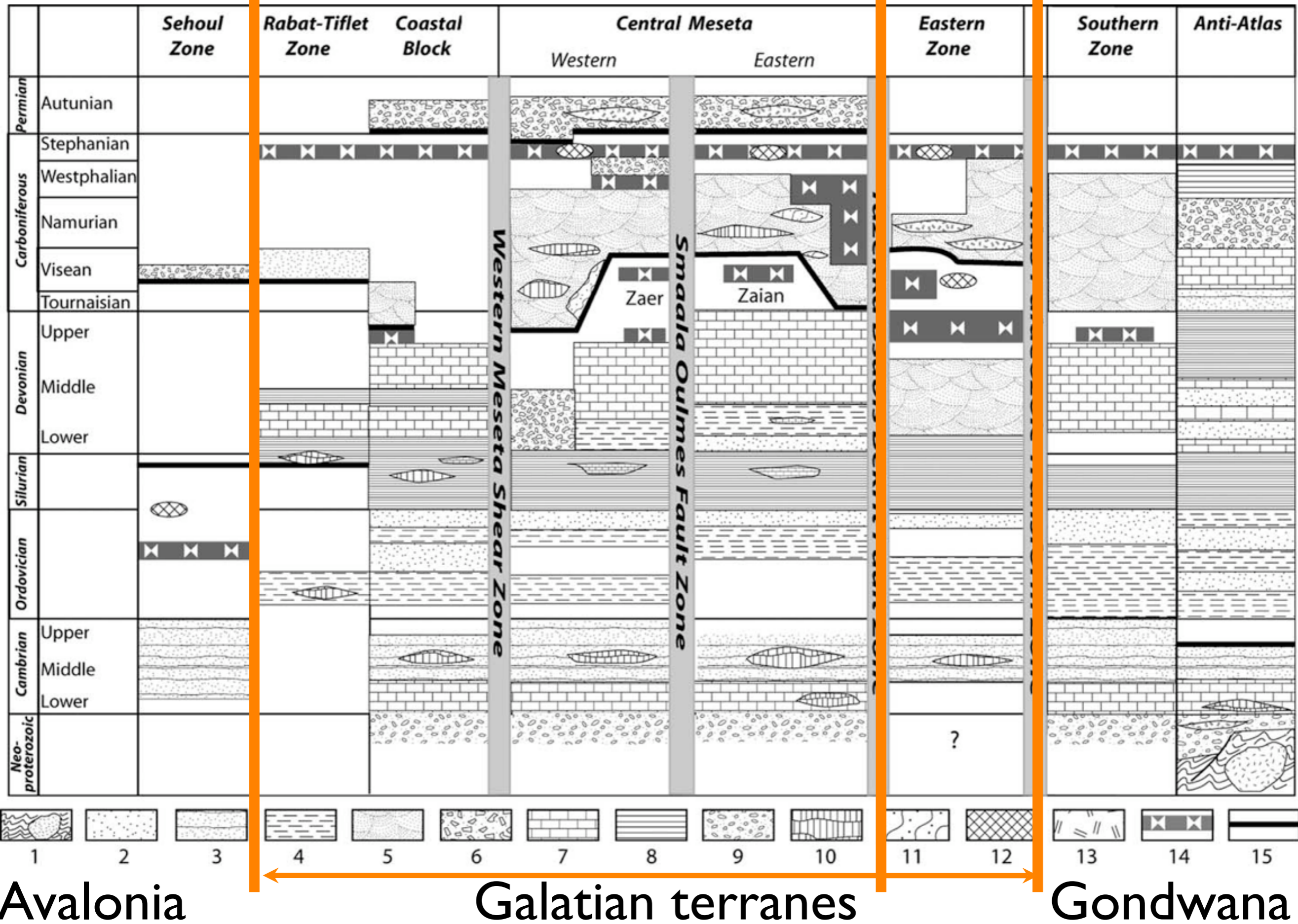
TRANSTENSIONION
TRANSPRESSION

300 Ma

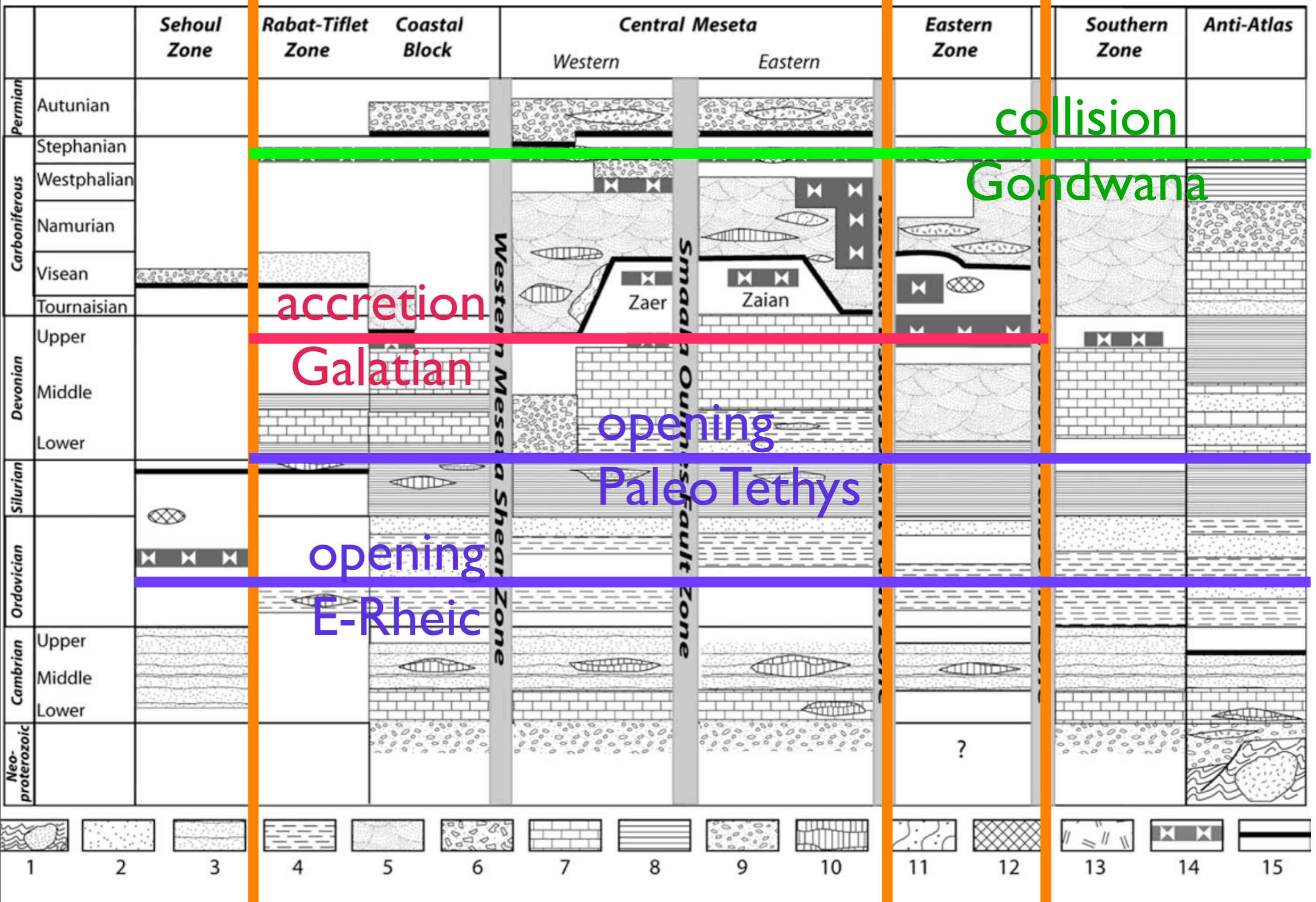


CONTINENT
CONTINENT
COLLISION





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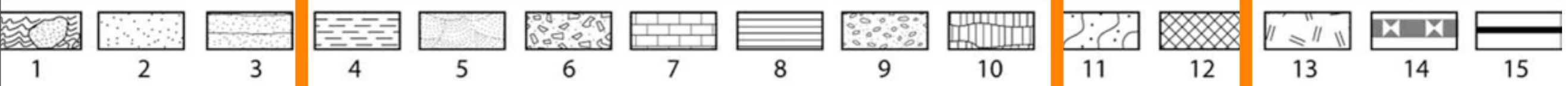


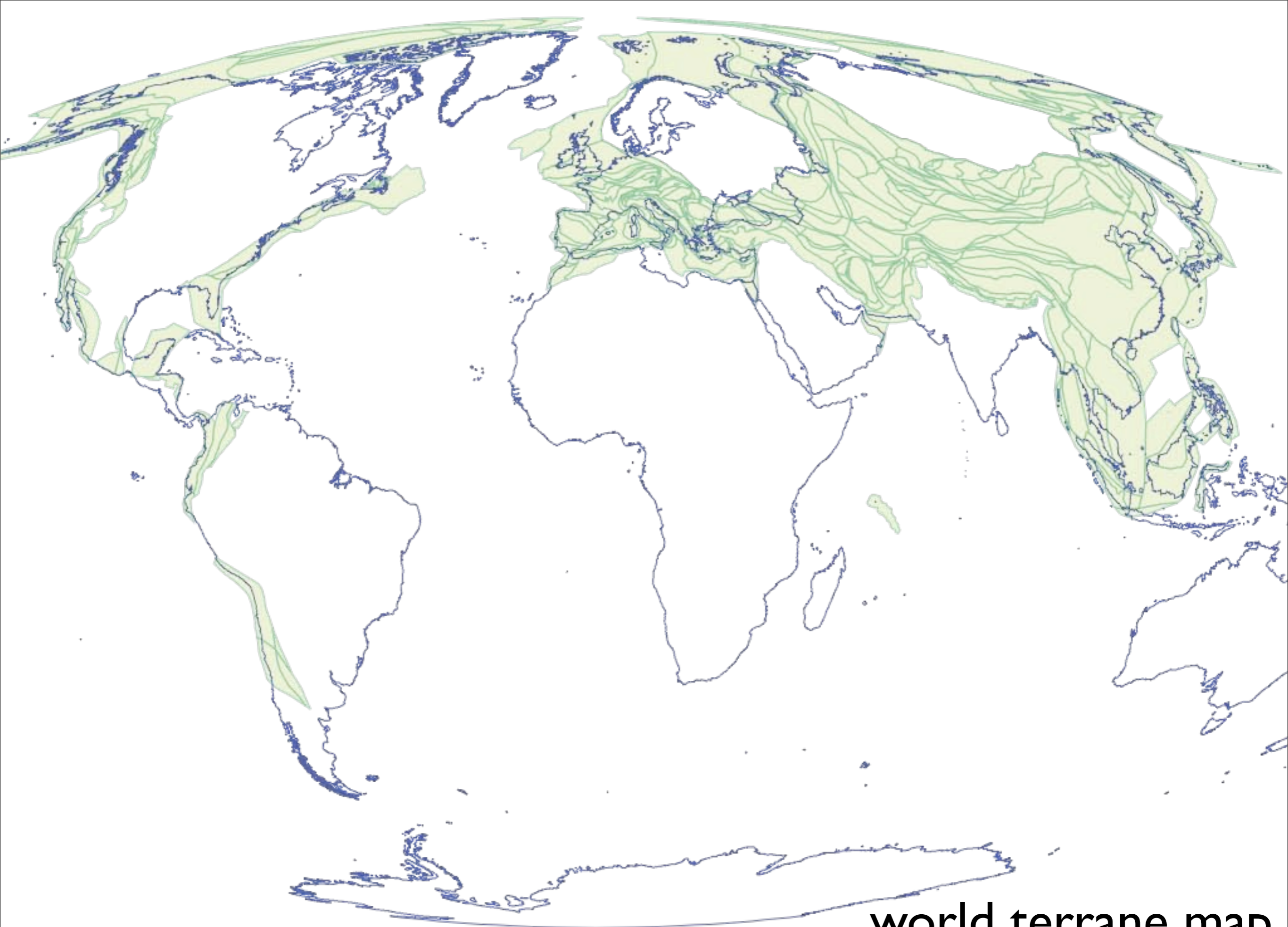
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accretion
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opening
Paleotethys

opening
E-Rheic





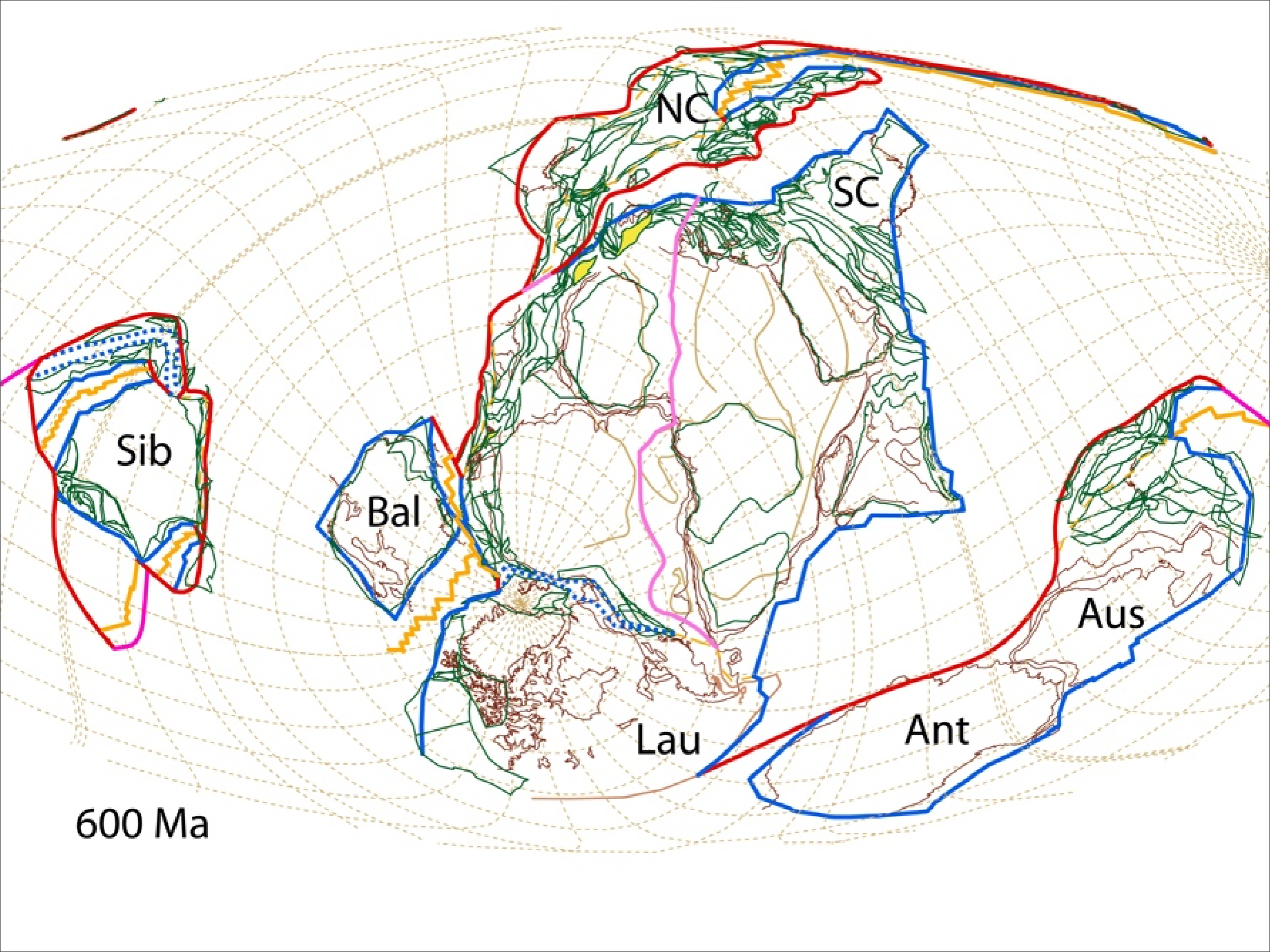
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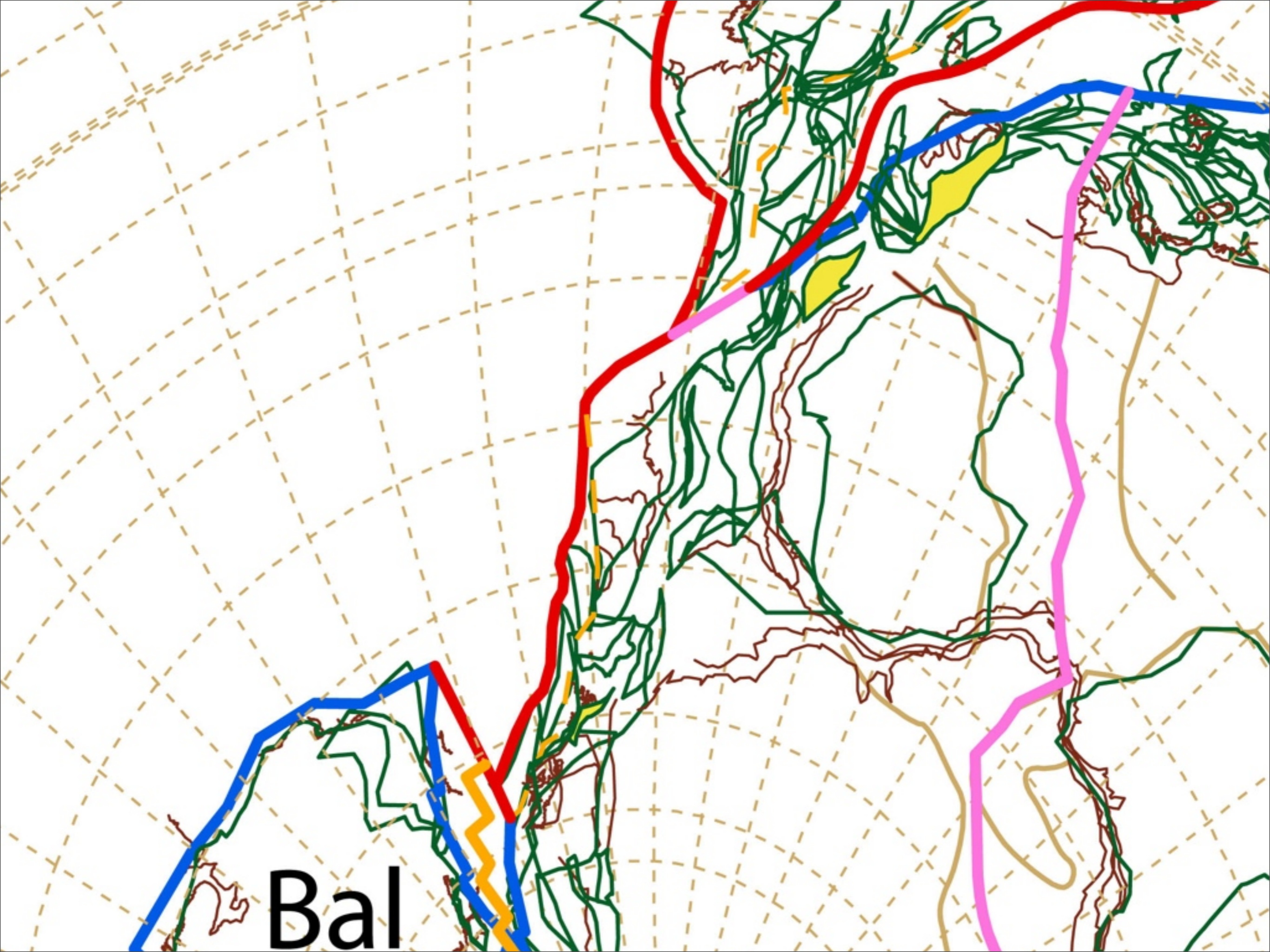


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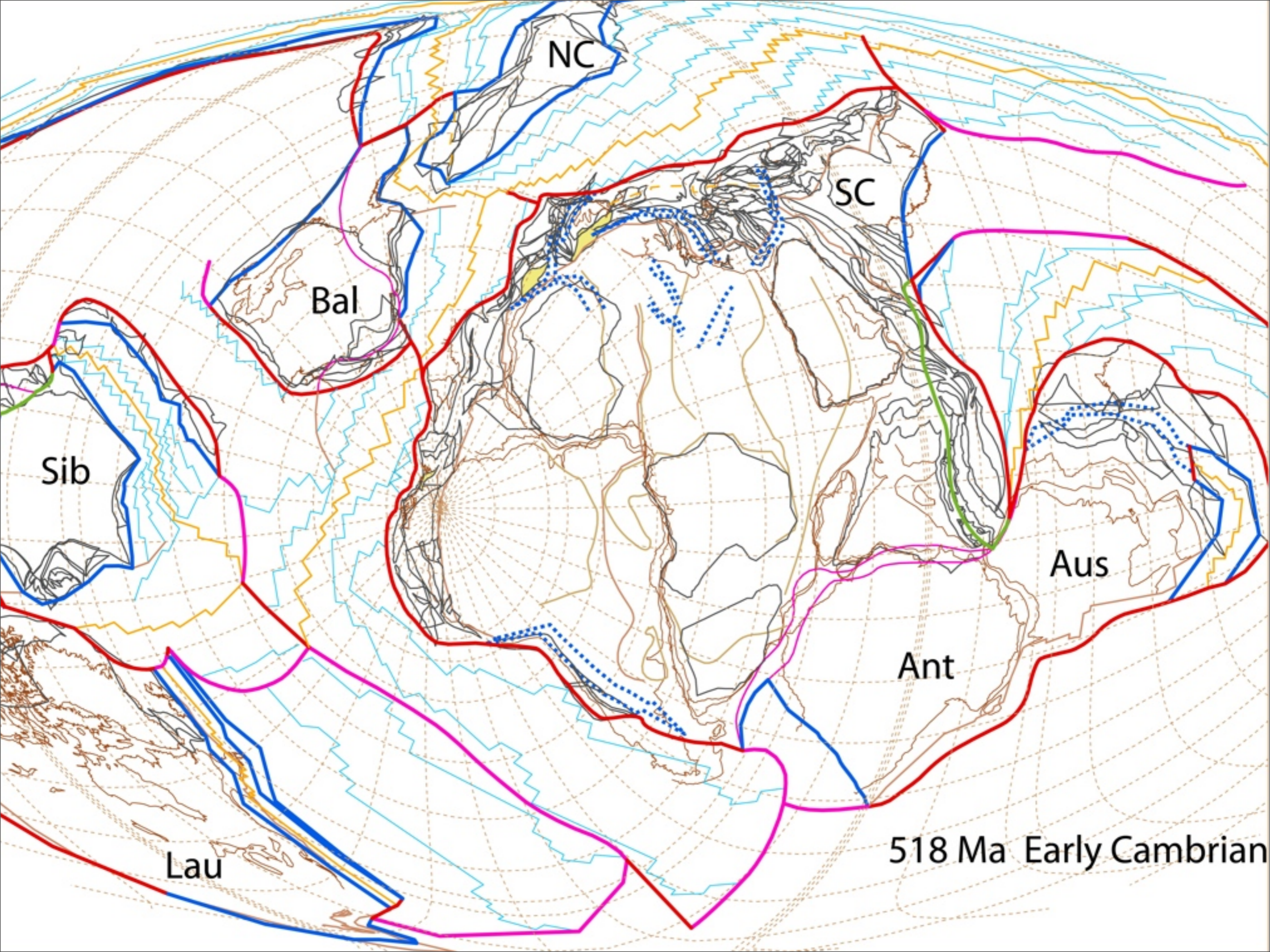
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Galatian

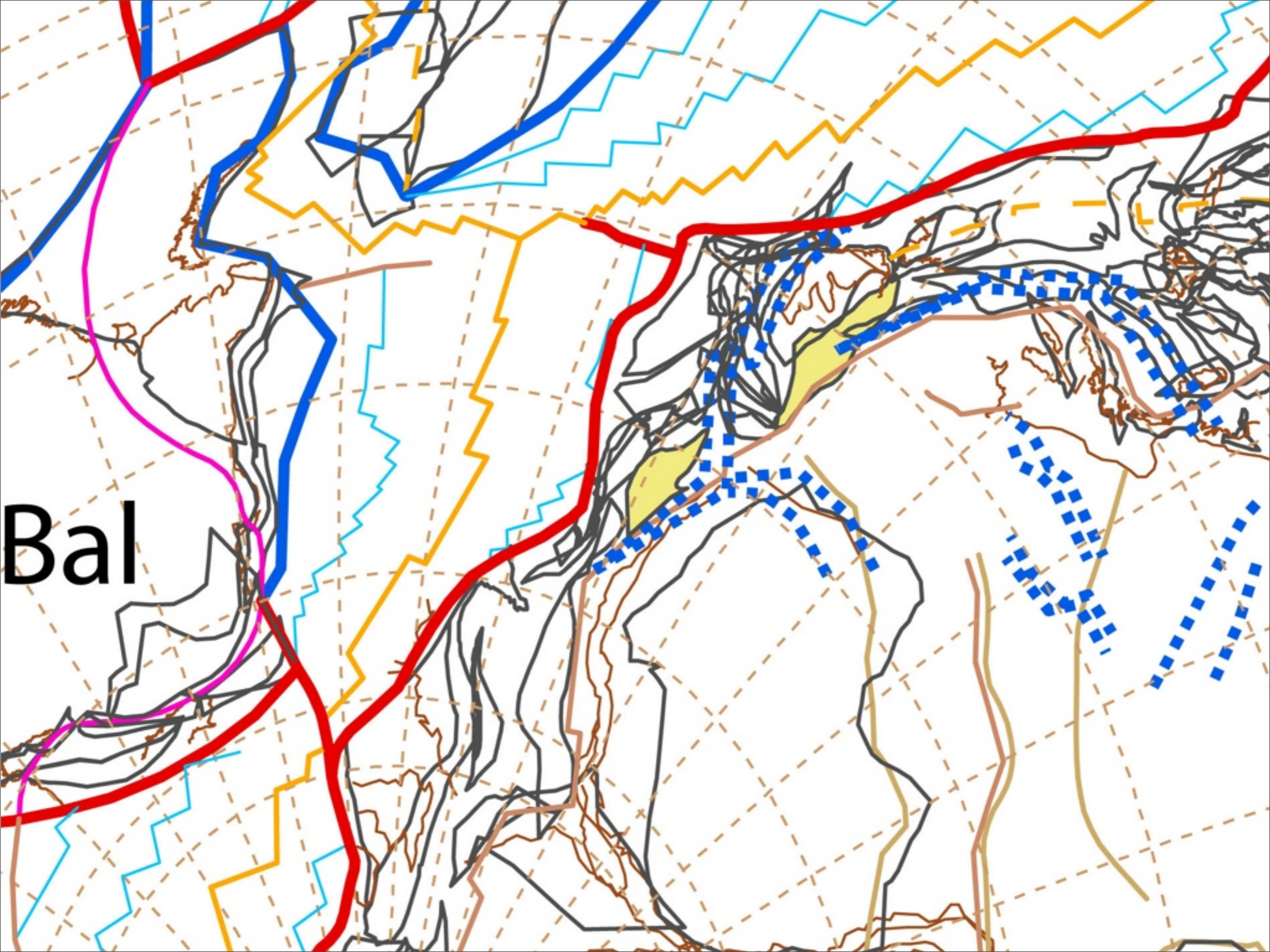


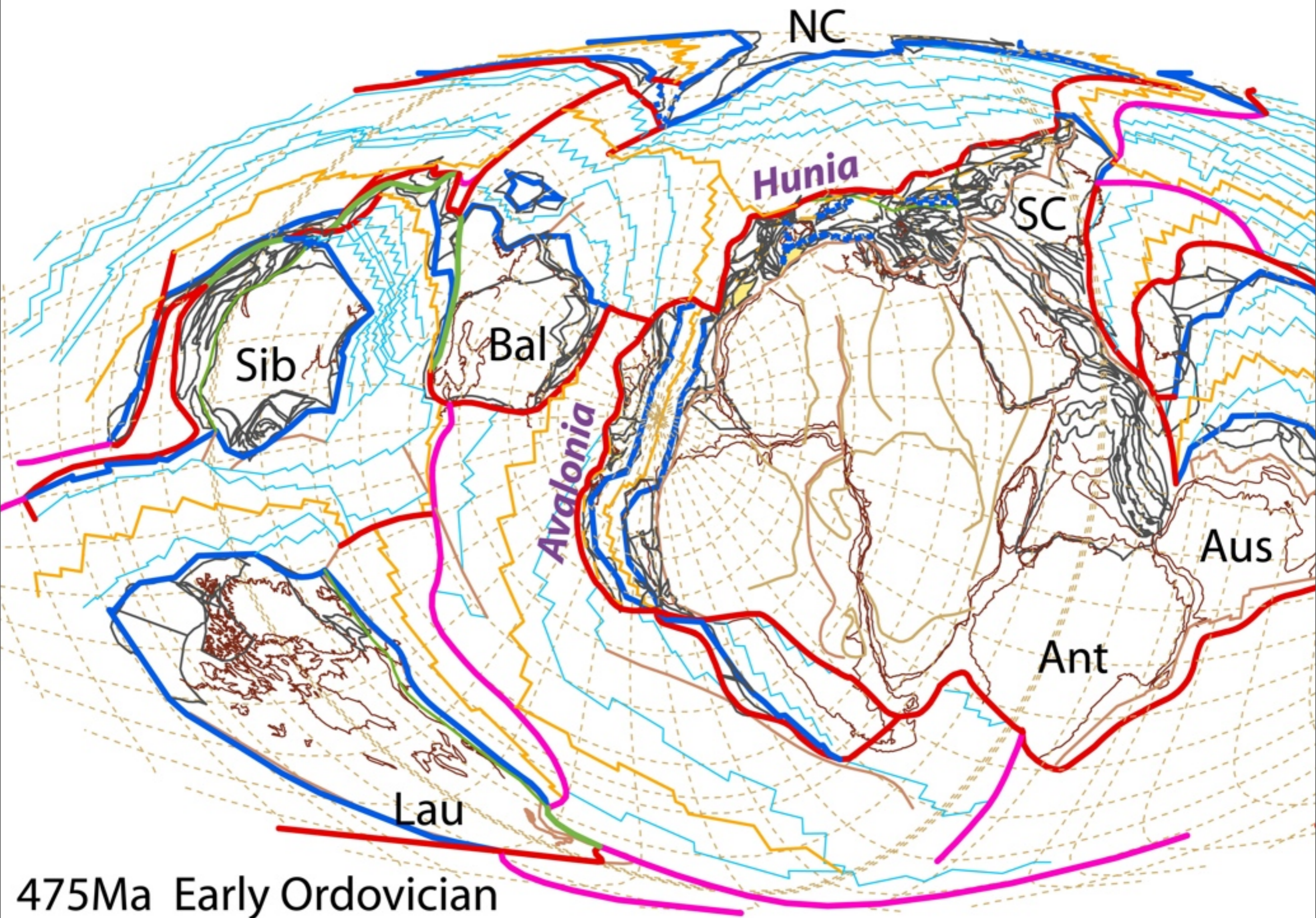


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Hunia

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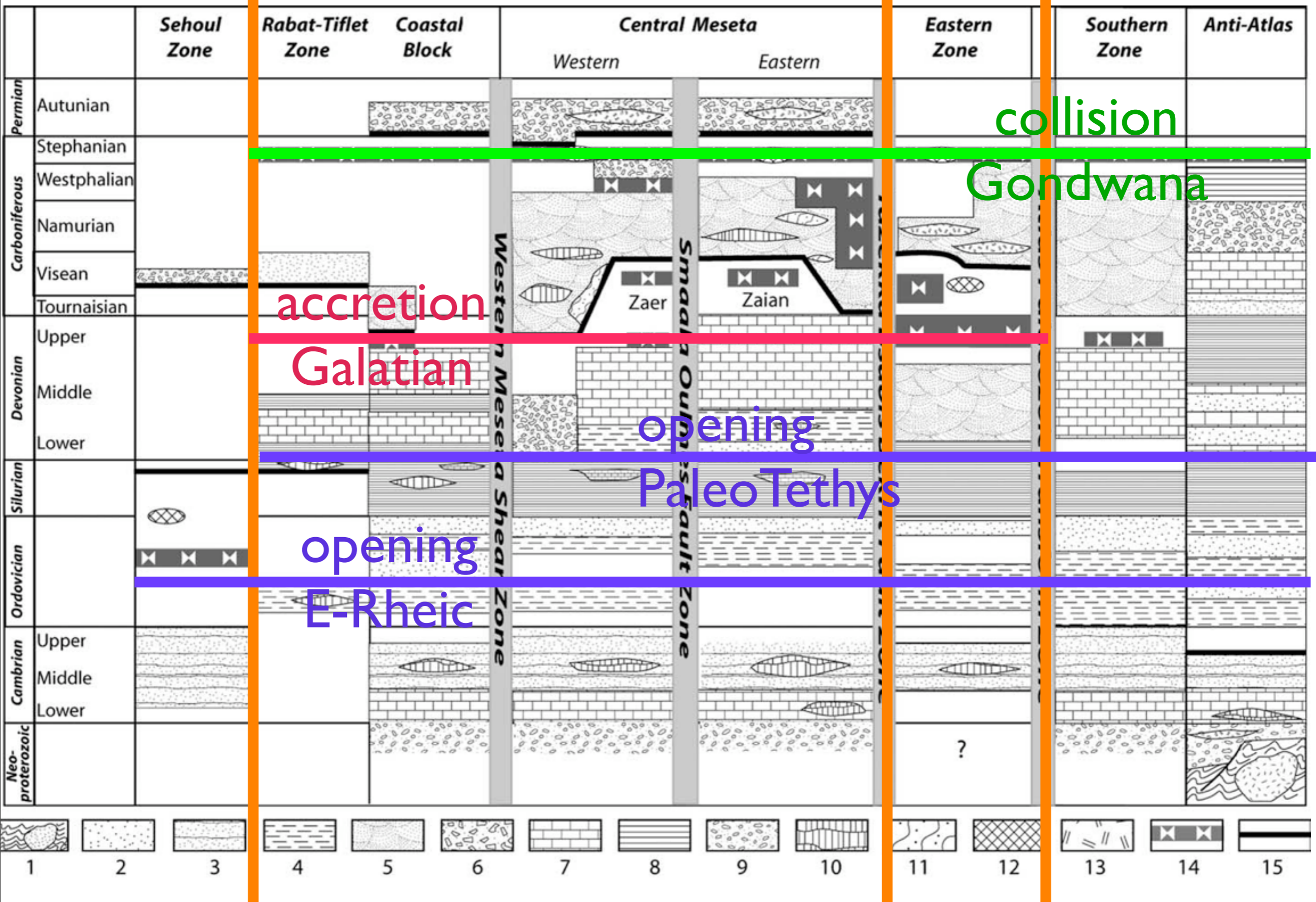
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475Ma Early Ordovician

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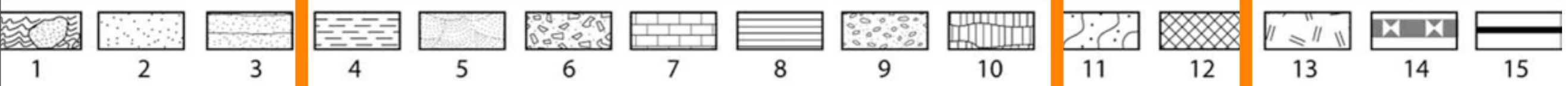


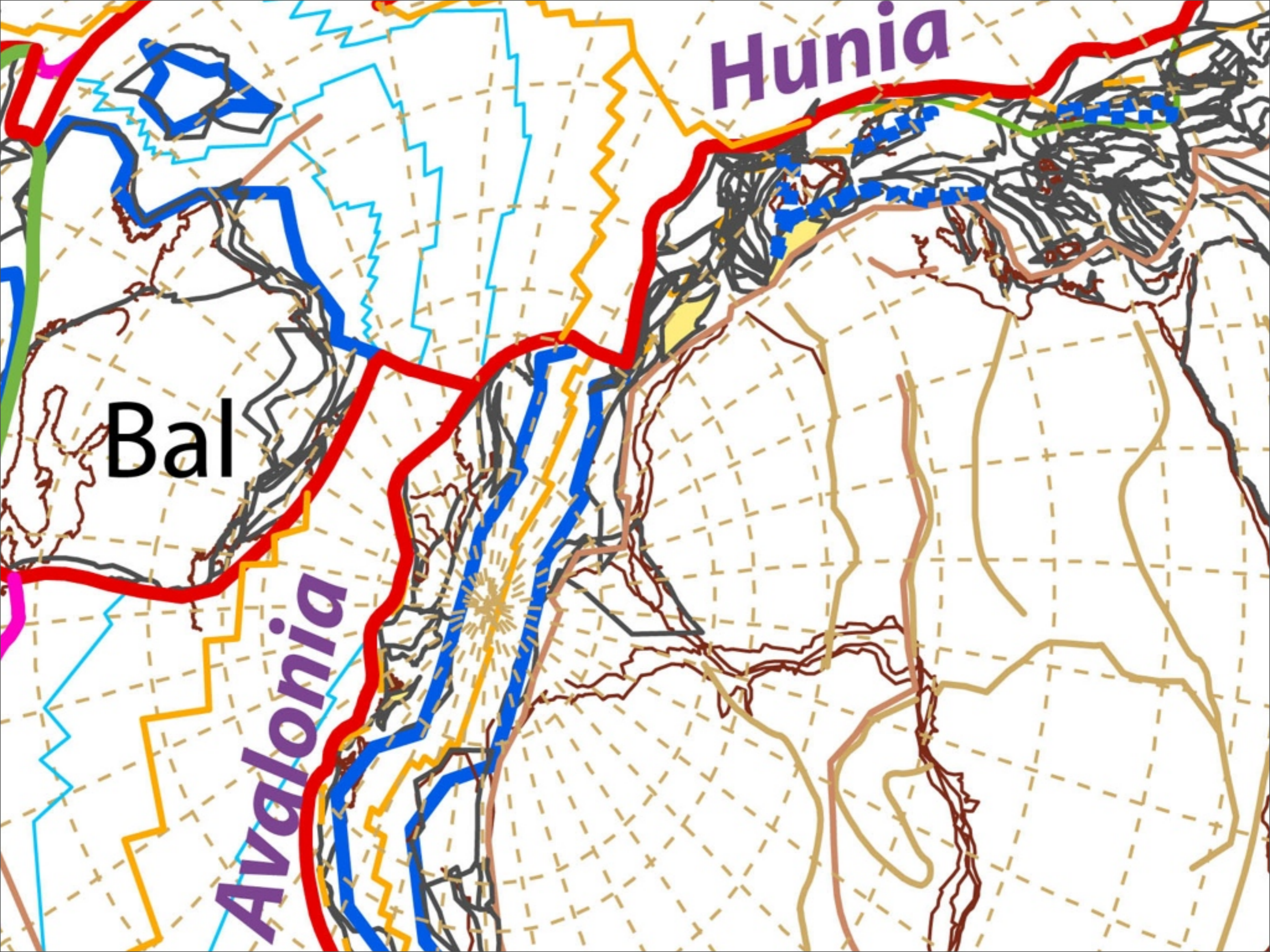
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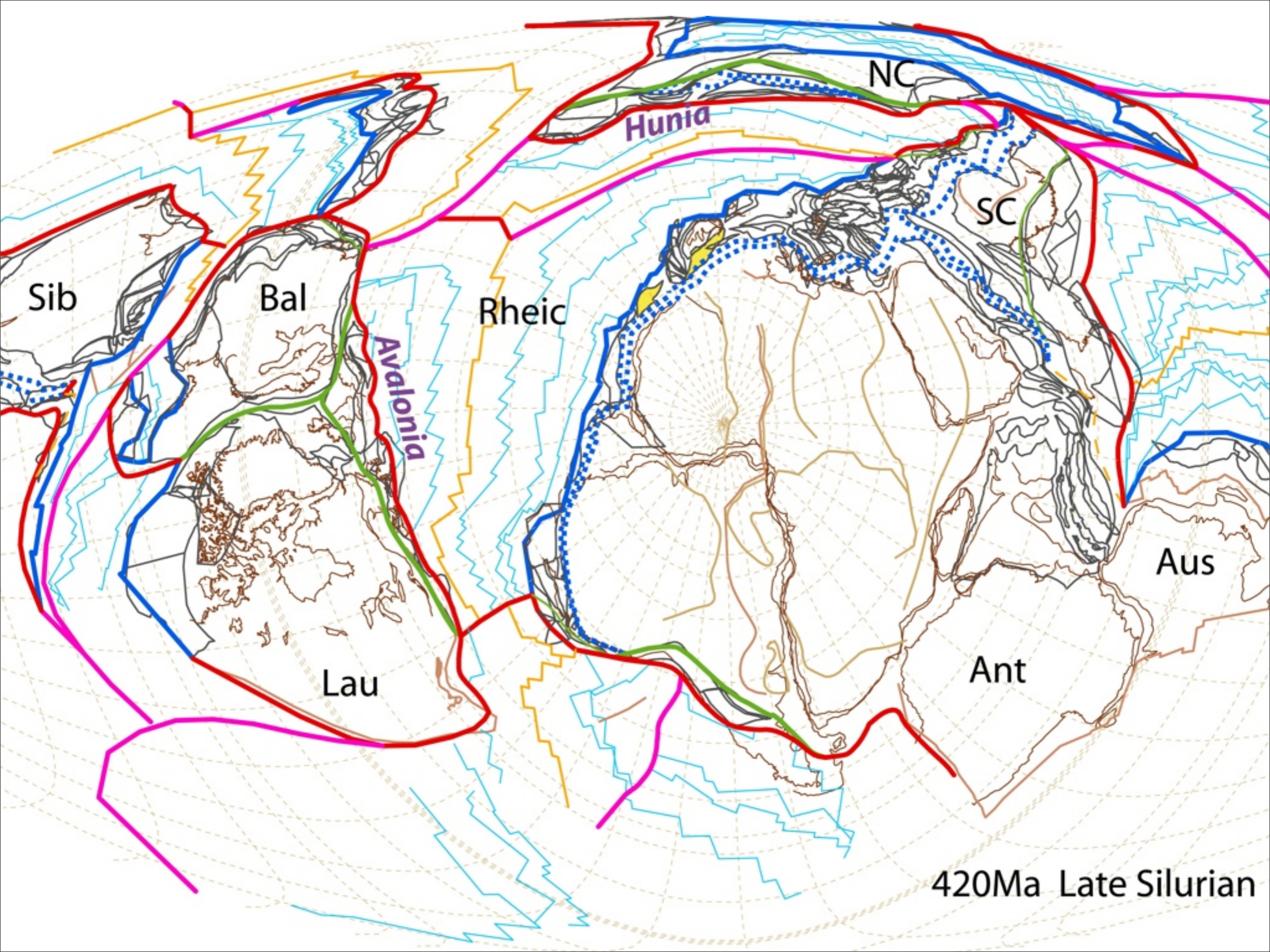




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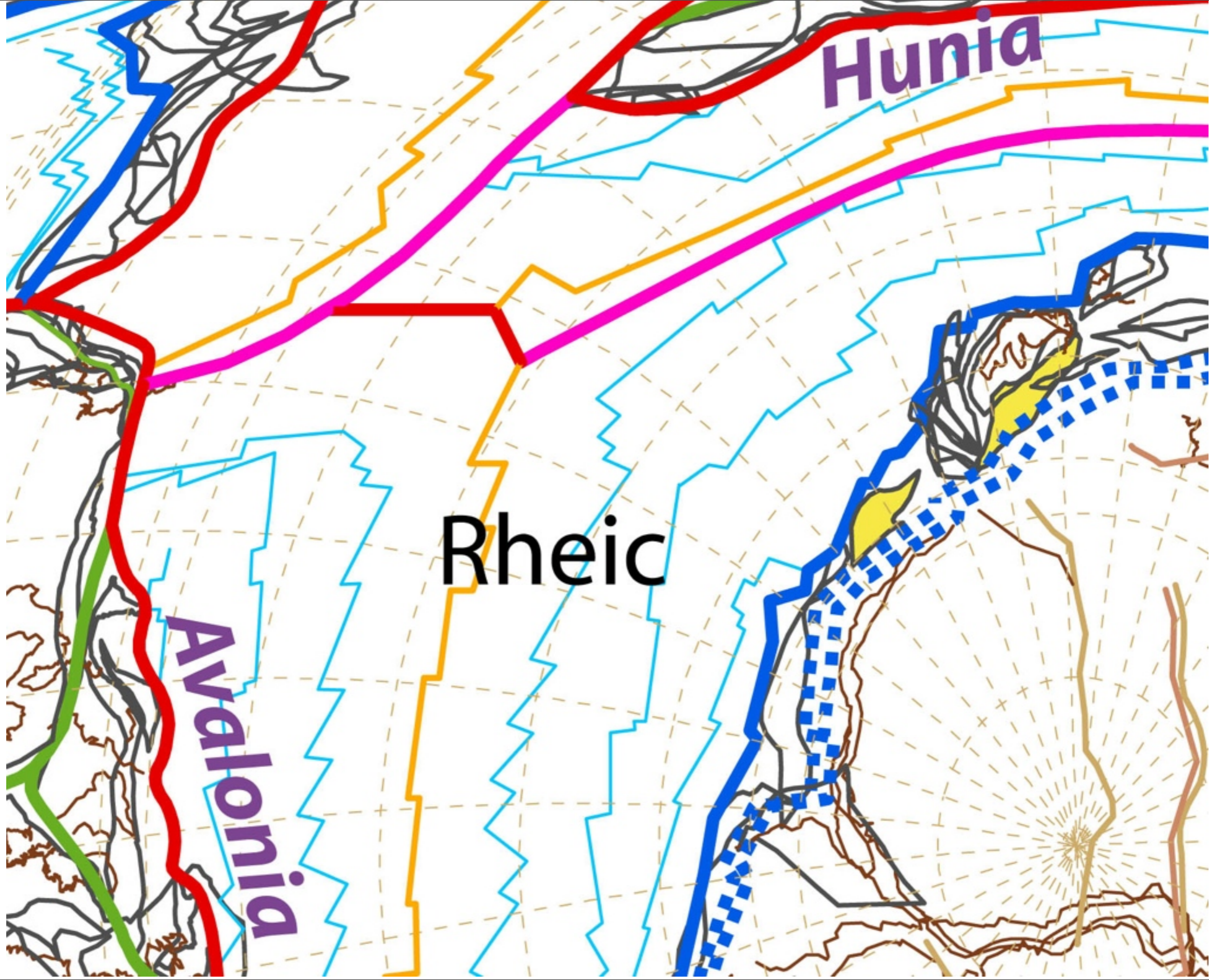
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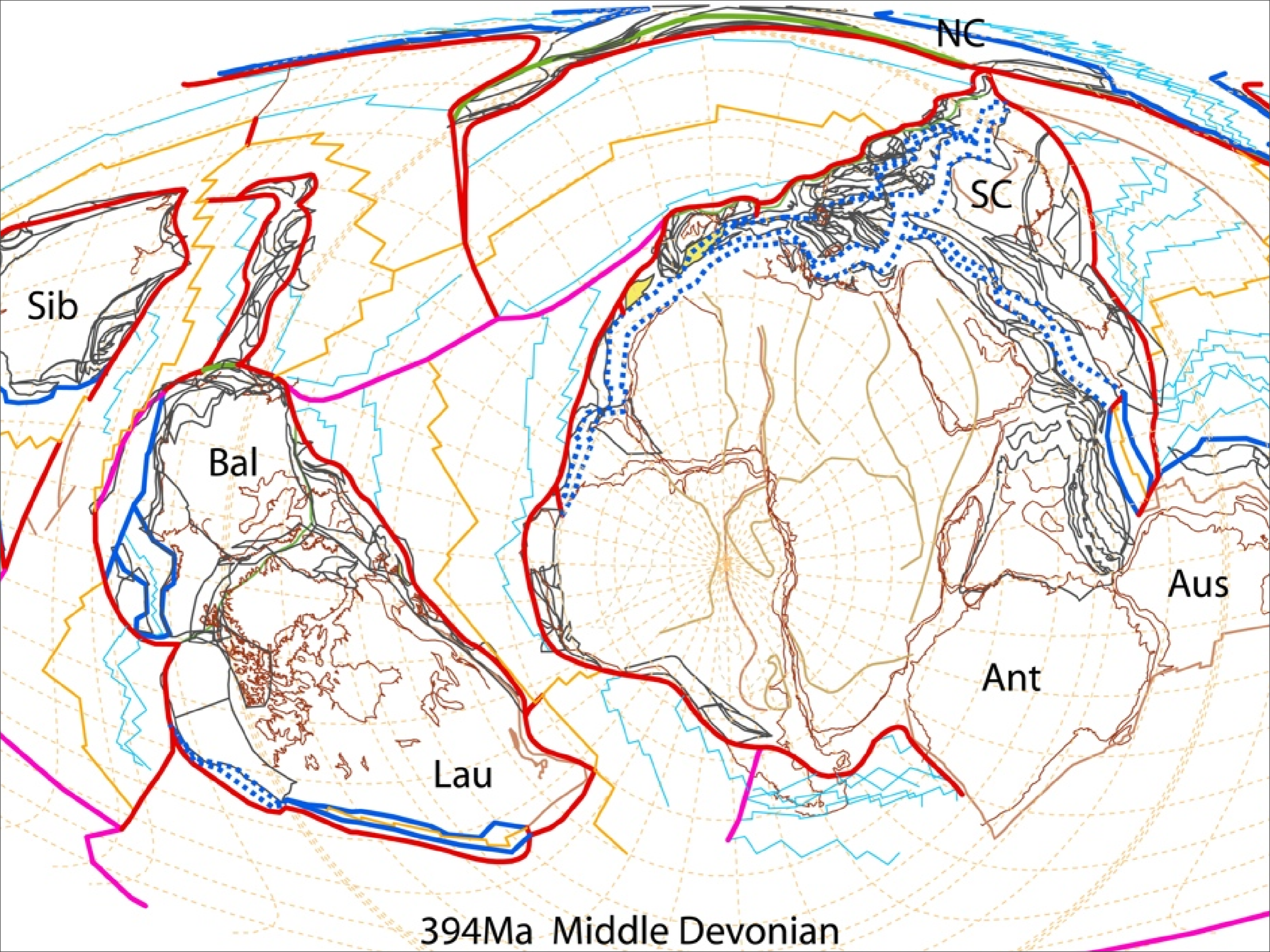
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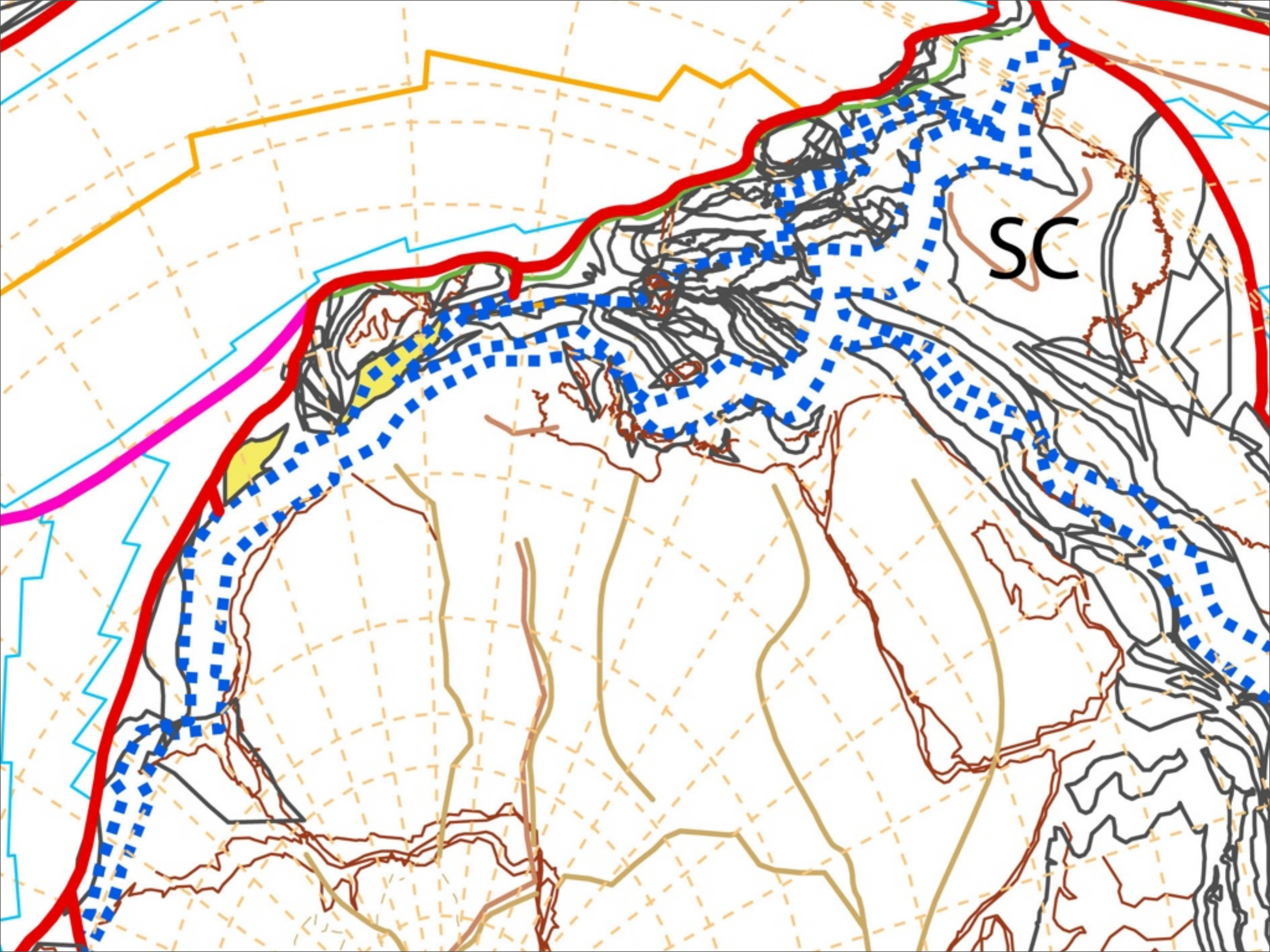
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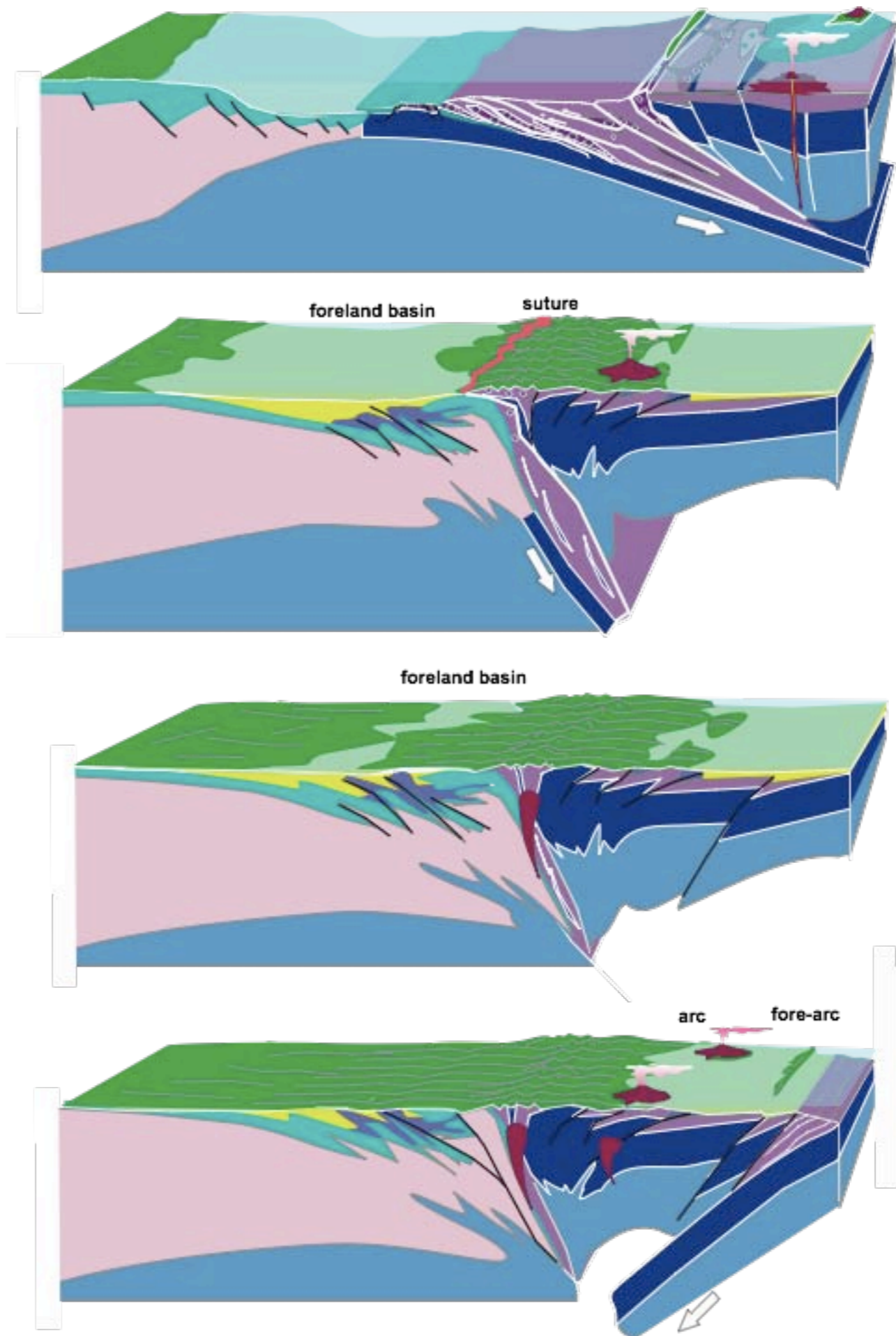


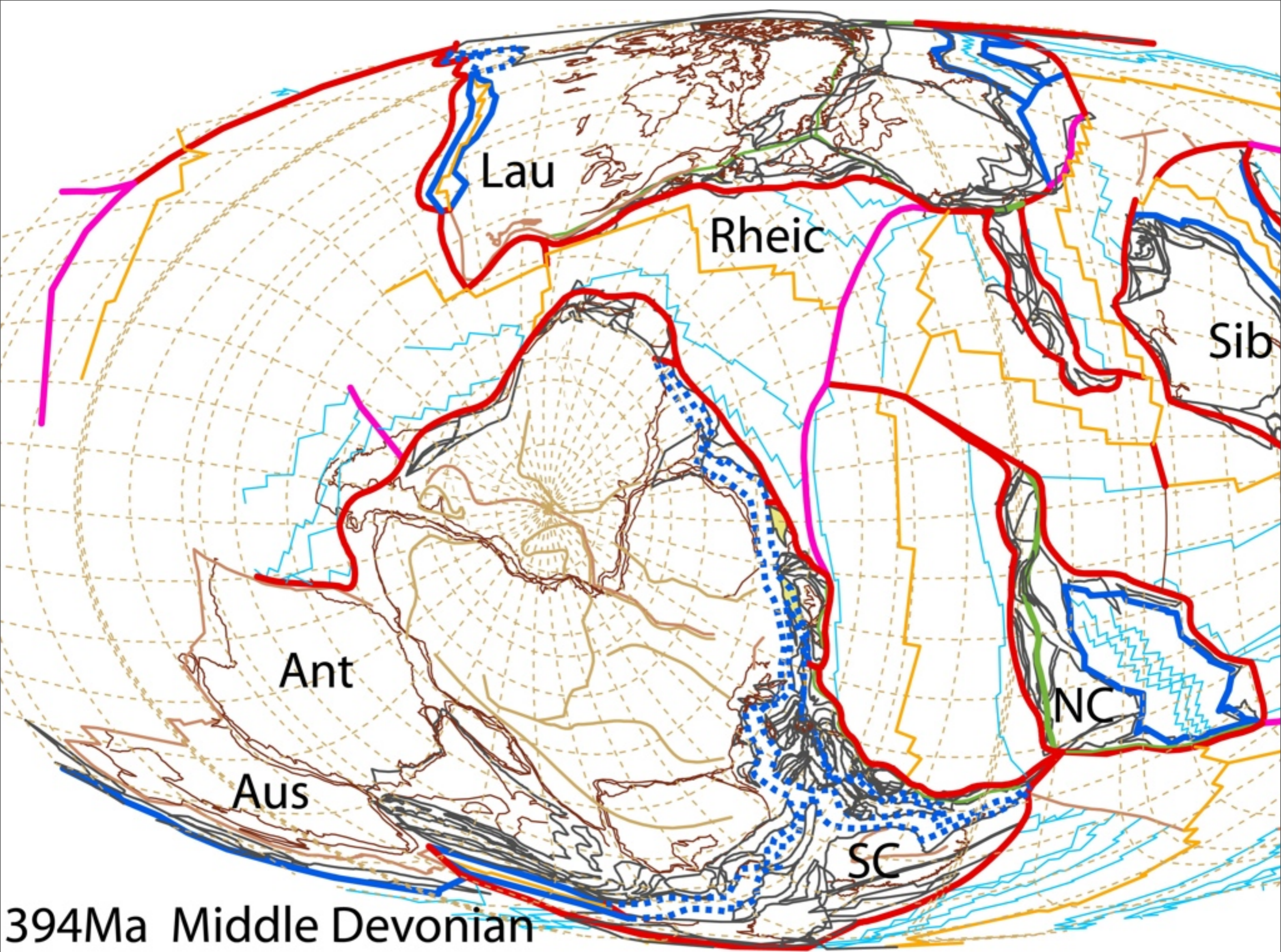


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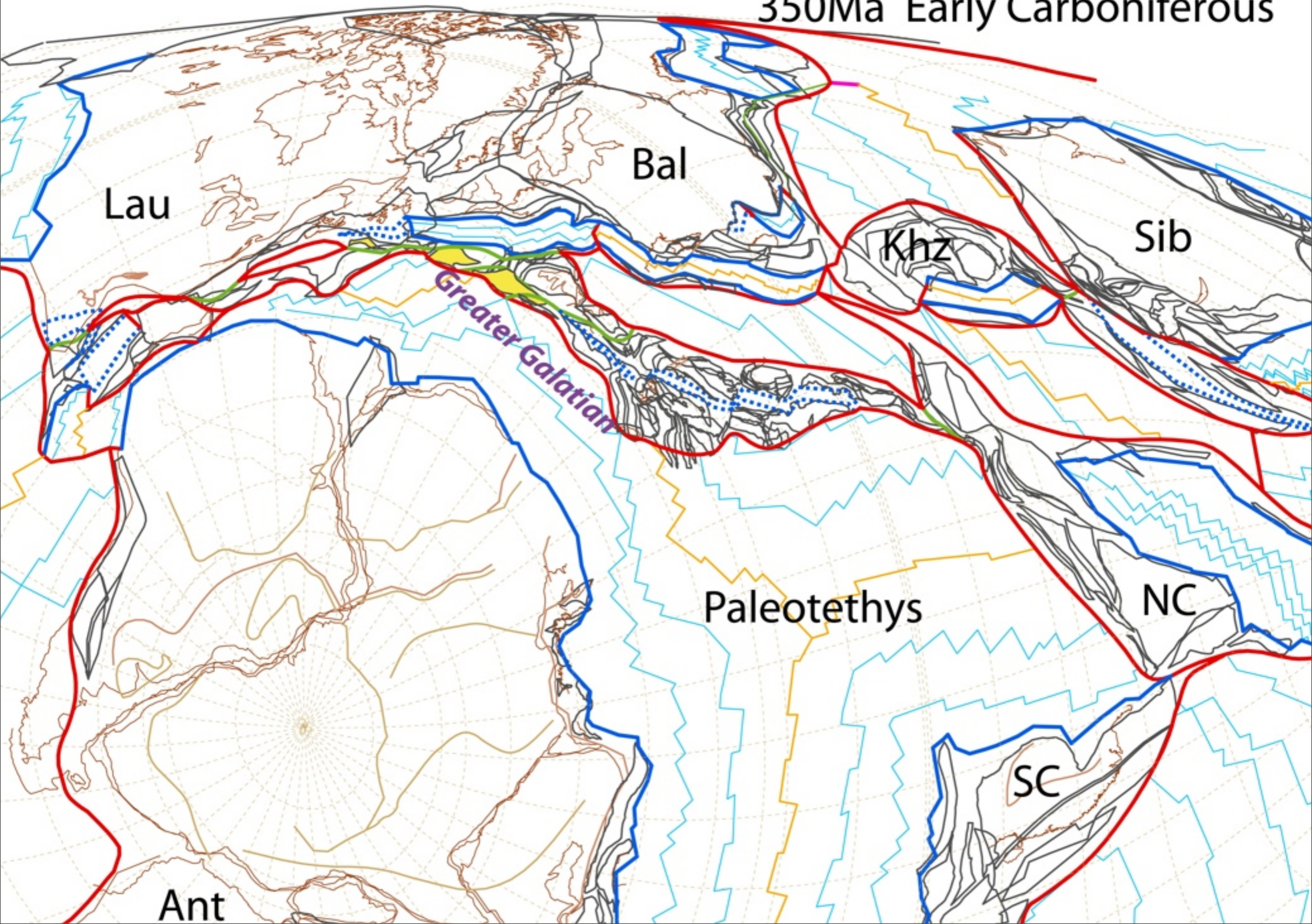


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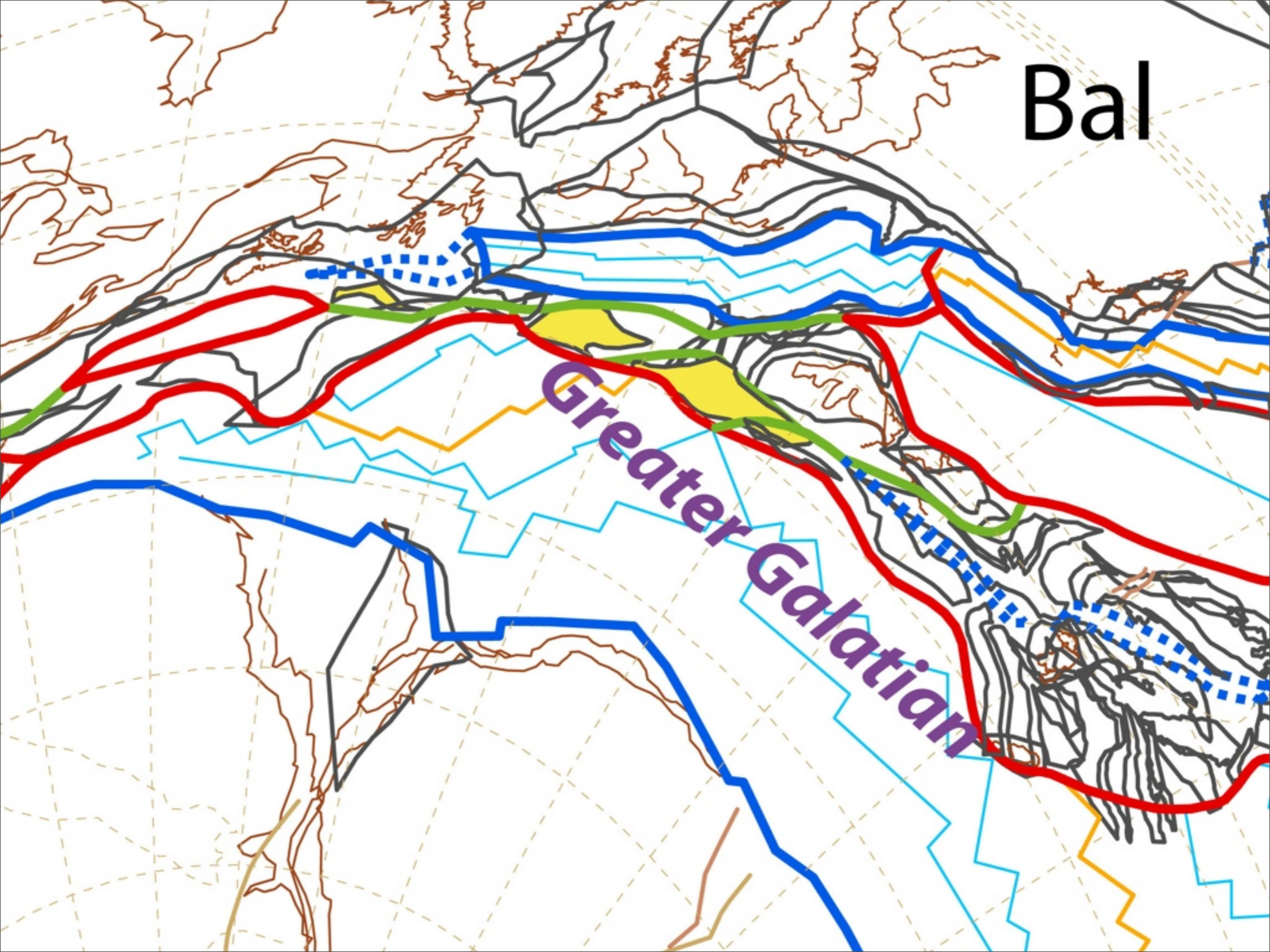


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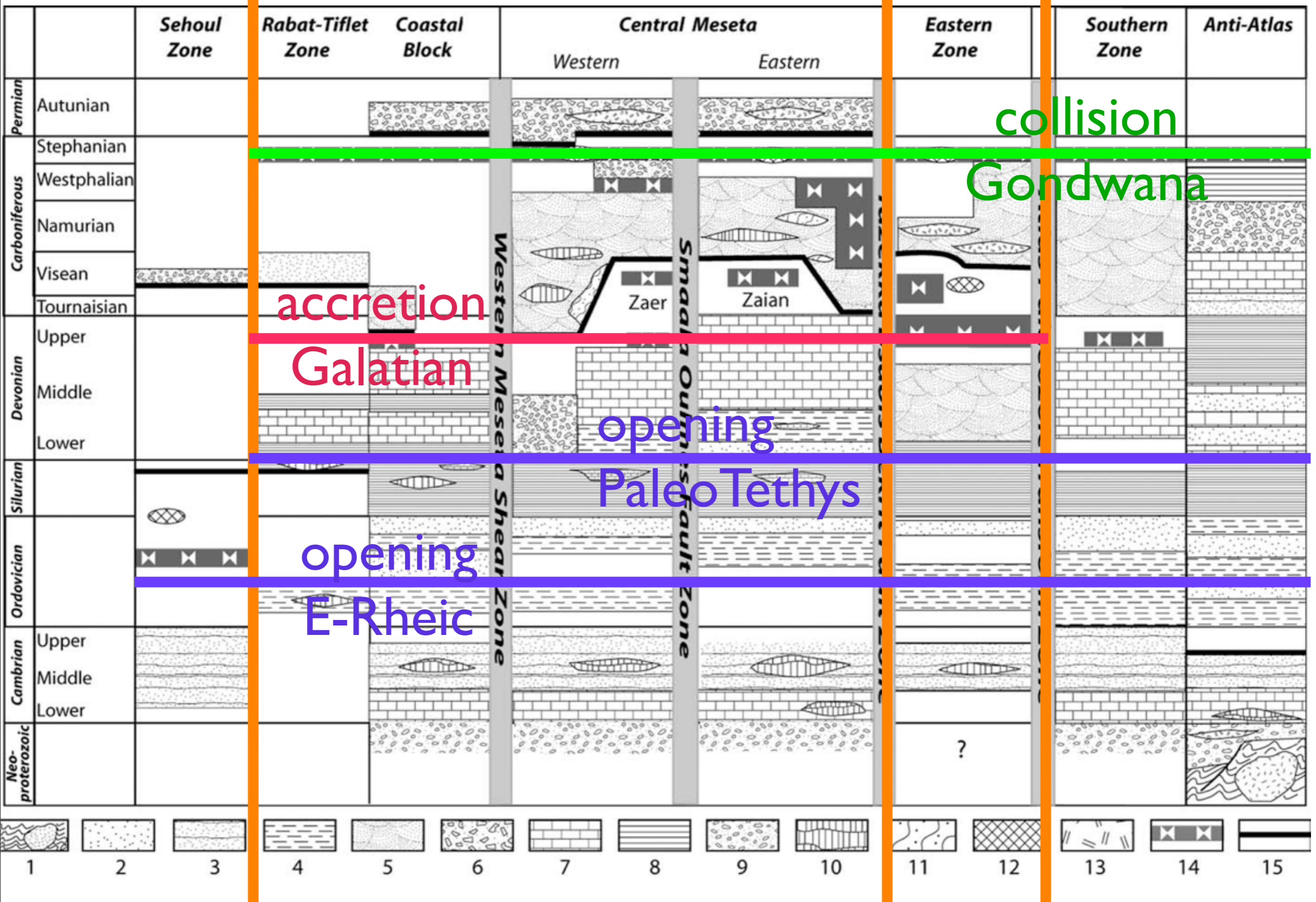


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Greater Galatian



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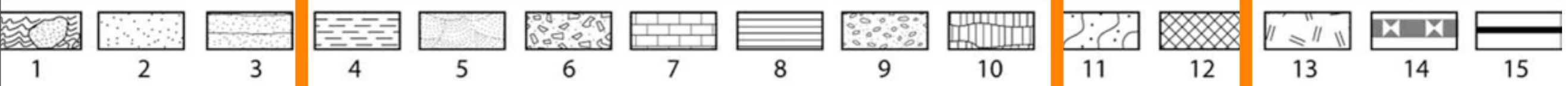


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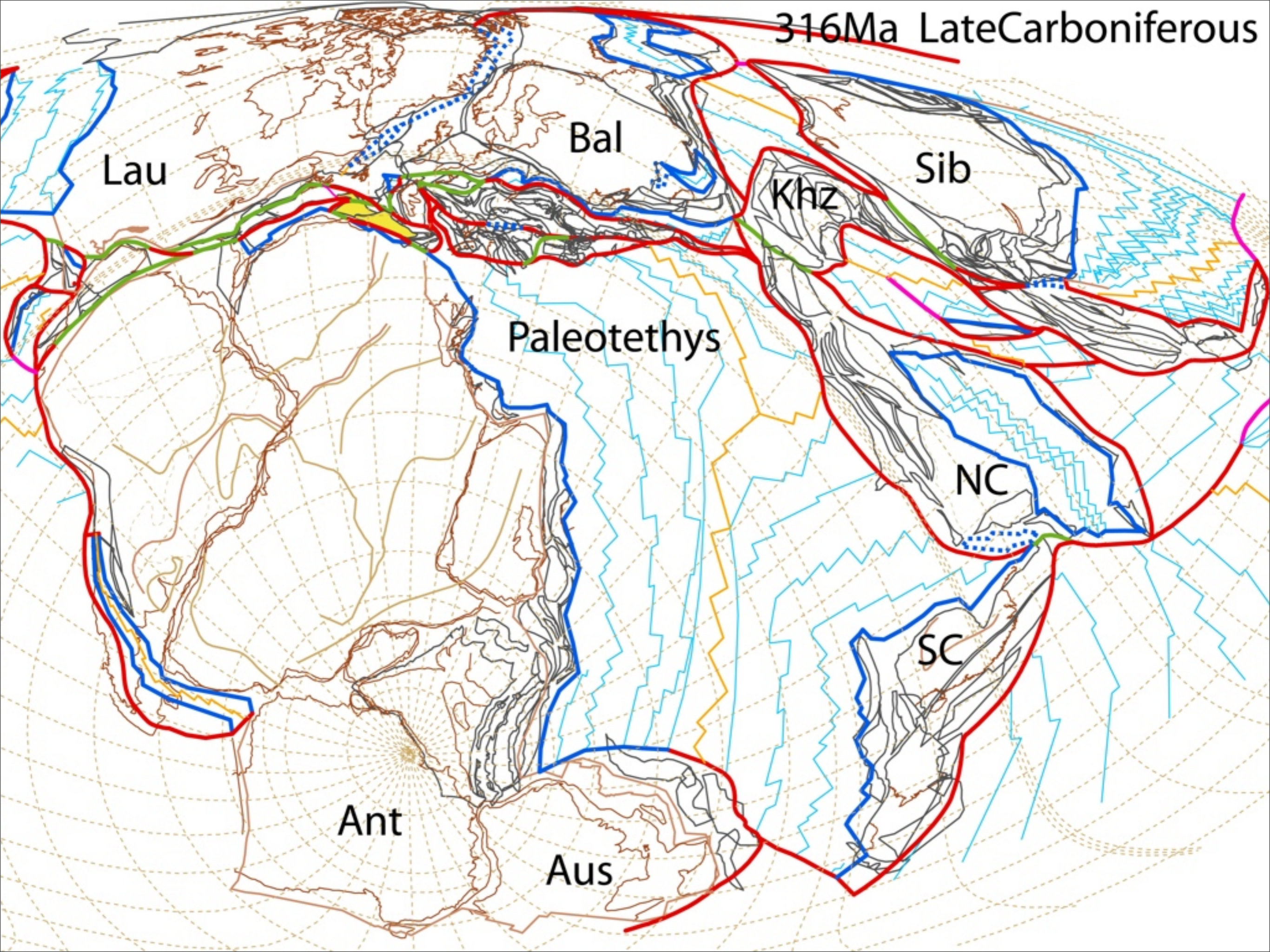
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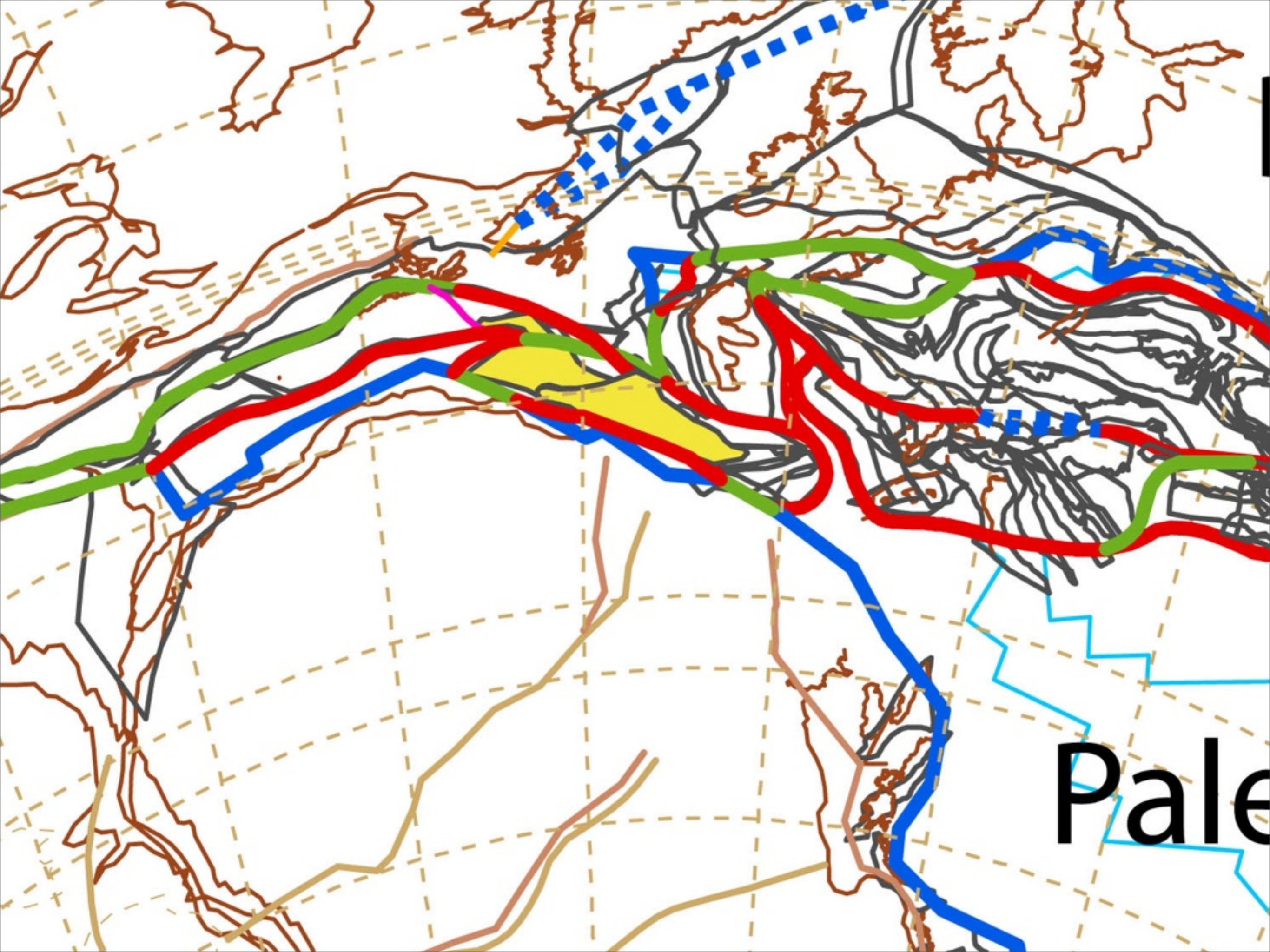
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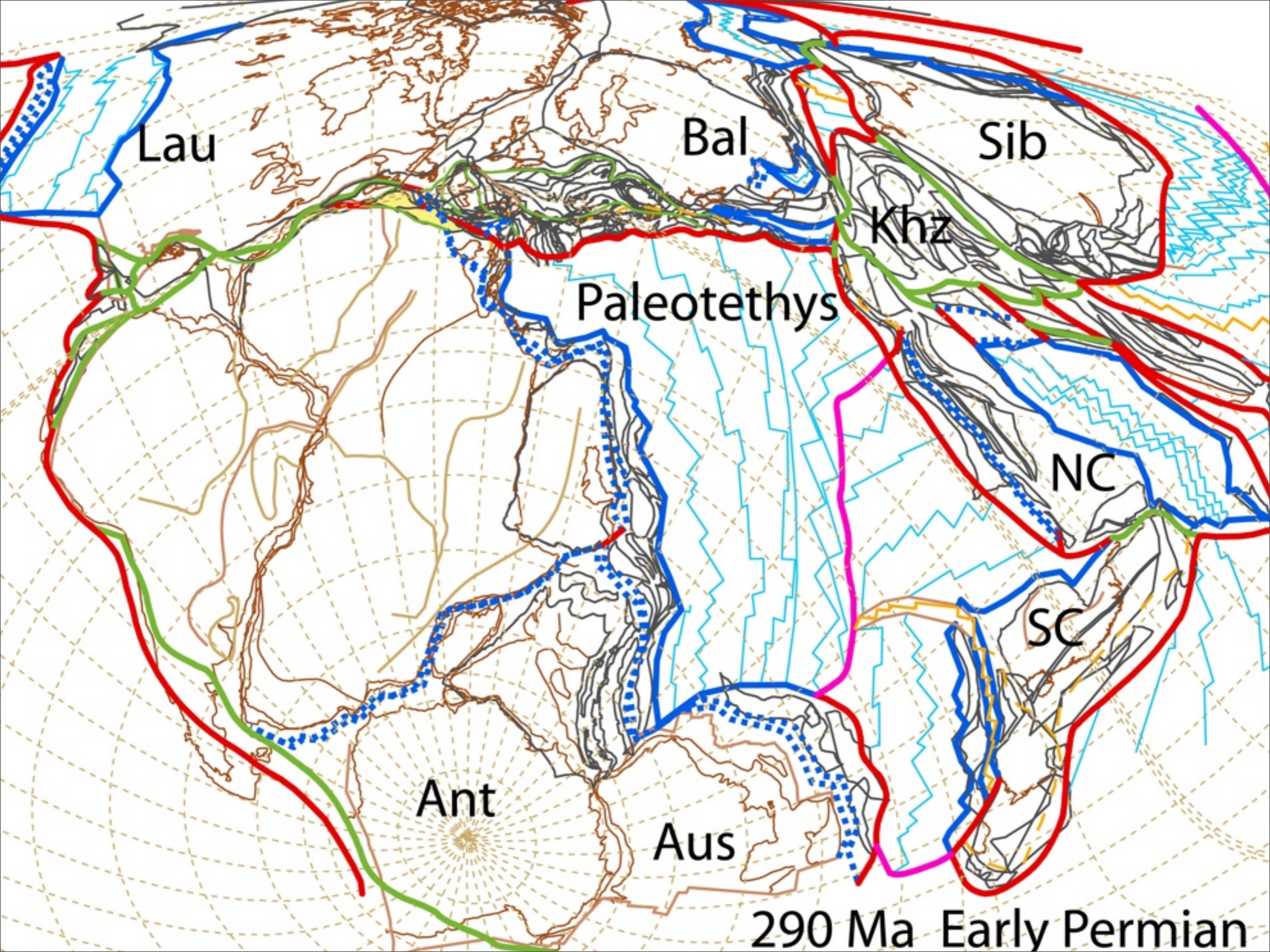
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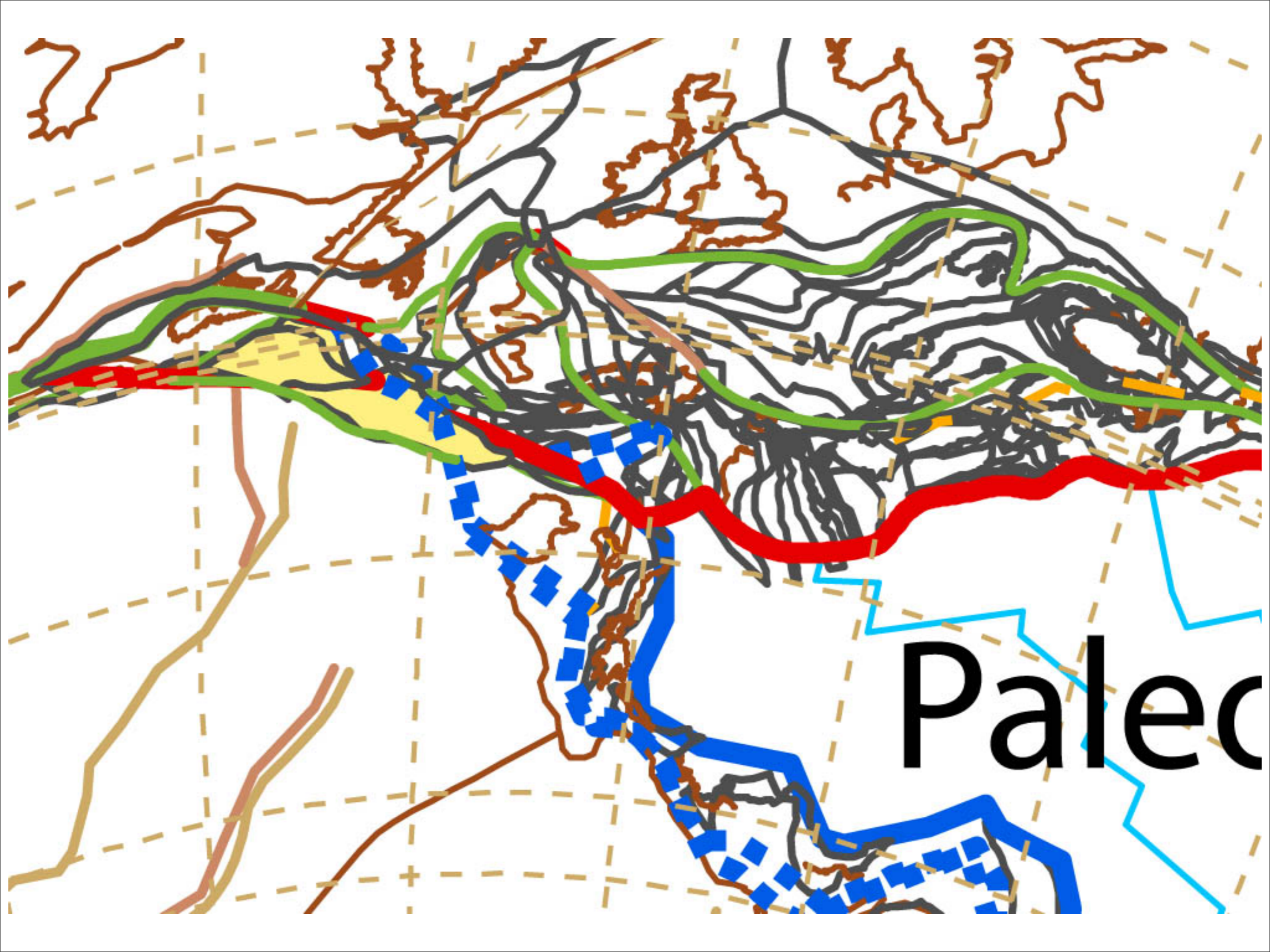


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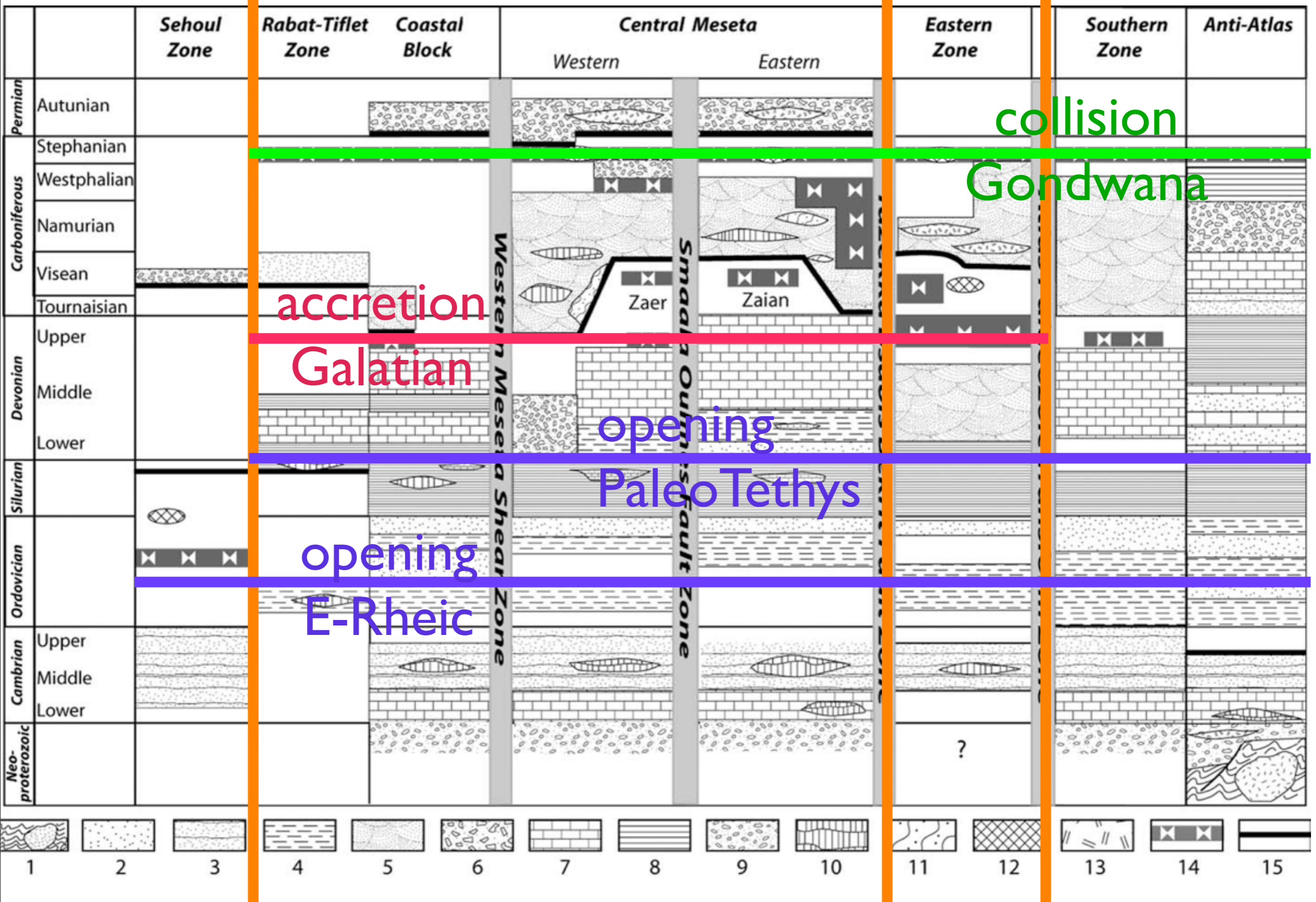








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