

# Structure of L-Galaxies

## main.c

```
read_parameter_file(argv[1])
check_options()
init()
write_sfh_bins()
Loop over files:
    load_tree_table(filenr)
    Loop over trees:
        Loop over halos:
            construct_galaxies(filenr, treenr, halonr)
            output_galaxy(treenr,0)
        free_galaxies_and_tree()
close_galaxy_files()

construct_galaxies(filenr, treenr, halonr)
    ngal = join_galaxies_of_progenitors(fofhalo, ngal, centralgal)
    # Finds the central galaxy for that halo and the FOF halo
    evolve_galaxies(halonr, ngal, treenr)

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    sfh_update_bins(...)
    deal_with_satellites(ngal)
    infallingGas = infall_recipe(ngal)
    Loop over mini-timesteps:
        # All of the following loop over galaxies, where appropriate
        add_infall_to_hot(...)
        reincorporate_gas(...)
        compute_cooling(...)
        do_AGN_heating(...)
        cool_gas_onto_galaxy(...)
        starformation(...)
        deal_with_galaxy_merger(...)
        Grow BHs
        update_yields_and_return_mass(...)
        disrupt(...)
        output_galaxy(...)
        update_type_two_coordinate_and_velocity(...)
```

# Checks consistency of selected options  
# Loads in tables of physical parameters: cooling rates; feedback tables, etc  
# Writes file of time bins used by star-formation history

# Done in a complicated way  
# Outputs “remaining” galaxies?

# Loops over galaxies in a complicated, recursive way  
# Collects together the progenitor galaxies; identifies mergers  
# This routine does the SAM

# Update each galaxies SFH bins  
# Stripping of gas from satellites  
# How much gas needs to infall

# Accrete onto central galaxy  
# From Ejected phase back onto Type 0 & 1

# From HotGas to ColdGas

# If merger timescale drops below zero.

# If not instantaneous  
# If host density exceeds that of satellite  
# Outputs *progenitor* galaxies and frees storage (this is recursive/convoluted)

# Structure of py-lgal

## L-Galaxies.ipynb

```
# Import modules
# Read in parameter file (into Dictionary)
# Define halo class (depends upon runtime parameters);
# Define structured array of galaxy properties (depends upon runtime parameters)
# Define internal functions (I/O, graph tracing, etc)
(Loop over files)                                # Let's stick to a single file for now
Loop over graphs:                                # Past to present
    Loop over snapshots:
        Loop over halos:
            process_halo()
        write_to_HDF5()
# Tidy up and exit                                # Copy halo and galaxy output properties to HDF5 datasets.
                                                # Write remaining output buffers; close everything neatly.

processhalo:
    initialise_halo()                             # Here, or all at once at the beginning? Reads properties; calculates quantities
    gather_progenitors_halo()                     # Inherit components from progenitors
    Loop over galaxies:
        gather_progenitors_galaxy()
    calculate_infall()                            # New gas accreted to make up baryon deficit
    Loop over mini time steps:
        cool_onto_central()                       # If there is a central
        Loop over galaxies:
            update_pos_and_merge_type2()           # ***Type 2 galaxies are not associated with a sub halo***
            disrupt_and_strip()                     # Moves to start of loop
            reincorporate_gas()                     # Ejected back into Hot
            grow_BH()                               # This should surely be here
            cool_gas()                              # Hot to Cold; combining cooling + AGN heating
            form_stars()                            # Includes feedback
    output_halos()                                # Set halo properties for output later
    output_galaxies()                             # Ditto for galaxies
```

# Building up py-lgal step by step

## Step 1

### L-Galaxies.ipynb

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# Define structured array of galaxy properties (depends upon runtime parameters)
# Define internal functions (I/O, graph tracing, etc)
Loop over graphs:
    Loop over snapshots:
        Loop over halos:
            process_halo( )
        write_to_HDF5( )
# Tidy up and exit

processhalo:
    initialise_halo( )
    gather_progenitors_halo( )
    Loop over galaxies:
        gather_progenitors_galaxy( )
    calculate_infall( )
    if central galaxy exists:
        star_formation_from_SHMR
    output_halo( )
    output_galaxies( )

# Past to present

# Copy halo and galaxy output properties to HDF5 datasets.
# Write remaining output buffers; close everything neatly.

# Here, or all at once at the beginning? Reads properties; calculates quantities
# Inherit components from progenitors

# New gas accreted to make up baryon deficit

# Toy model using star-halo mass ratio
# Set halo properties for output later
# Ditto for galaxies
```

## Comments on individual routines

**class haloProperties:**

**initialiseHalo:**

# Construct an instance of haloClass  
# Loop over galaxies to determine which, if any, is close to the dynamical centre of the halo.

**gather\_progenitors\_halo:**

Loop over halo progenitors:  
# Accumulate DM mass (perhaps not needed/interesting, but why not)  
# Accumulate baryons (whatever we have in halo class; in first instance simply Gas)

**gather\_progenitors\_galaxy:**

Loop over galaxy progenitors:  
# Accumulate DM mass (perhaps not needed/interesting, but why not)  
# Accumulate baryons (whatever properties we have in the structured array.  
# Note that, in the first instance at least, we only accumulate baryons if we are the first (main) descendent.  
# Add total baryon mass to that of the host halo.  
# Add total stellar mass to that of the host halo.

**calculate\_infall:**

massBaryon\_old=massBaryon  
massBaryon=max(fBaryon\*mass, massBaryon)  
massBaryon\_delta=massBaryon-massBaryon\_old

**star\_formation\_from\_SHMR:**

# Look up expected stellar mass from Behroozi etal 2013, <http://arxiv.org/abs/1207.6105>  
massStars\_old=massStars  
massStars=max(massStars\_Behroozi, massStars)  
massStars\_delta=massStars-massStars\_old  
SFR=massStars\_delta/time\_delta # time\_delta is size of timestep (difference in time of snapshots)  
# Add massStars\_delta to central galaxy  
# Update SFR of central galaxy

**output\_halo:**

# Set values of any halo properties that we wish to output (in structured array haloOutput)

**output\_galaxies:**

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**write\_to\_HDF5:**

# Update structured array of halo properties that we want to output

if haloOutput buffer full:

    # write haloOutputBuffer to HDF5 halo dataset

do while galaxyOutput array not empty:

    # Add as much as galaxyOutput array as we can to HDF5 galaxyOutputBuffer

    if galaxyOutputBuffer full:

        # write galaxyOutputBuffer to HDF5 galaxy dataset

**Tidy up and exit:**

# Flush remaining HDF5 datasets

# Close HDF5 output files

# Write final diagnostics and close log files