

Inside-Out Growth in the Milky Way Disc [OUTLINE]

ASTR 511 Final Project

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1. OUTLINE

Topic: For my project I'm going to investigate the inside-out growth of galaxies, focussing specifically on the Milky Way. This is the idea that star formation in galaxies occurs first in the centre and builds outwards.

Why I'm interested: I'm particularly interested in looking into this as it went into a galaxy model for a paper I wrote on LISA predictions (Wagg et al. 2022) and I mostly trusted that it made sense without looking into it in detail. So I'd enjoy exploring

Specific papers: The paper that I'll be using the centre my focus is Frankel et al. (2019), which conveniently addresses my exact topic. For the background information I think Fall & Efstathiou (1980) could be fun to look into as one of the first papers predicting inside-out growth, whilst van Dokkum et al. (2013) could be interesting to include for an example of observations of this effect. I think that the application of this concept in this paper (Banerjee et al. 2020) is very fun and I'm excited to read and talk about this. For future directions

I think that the main limitation currently is the lack of precise ages for samples used in the stars in these studies and Hogg et al. (2019) seems to do some cool things combining APOGEE and Gaia to solve this, but I need to read that a bit more. I'm definitely also open to other paper suggestions!

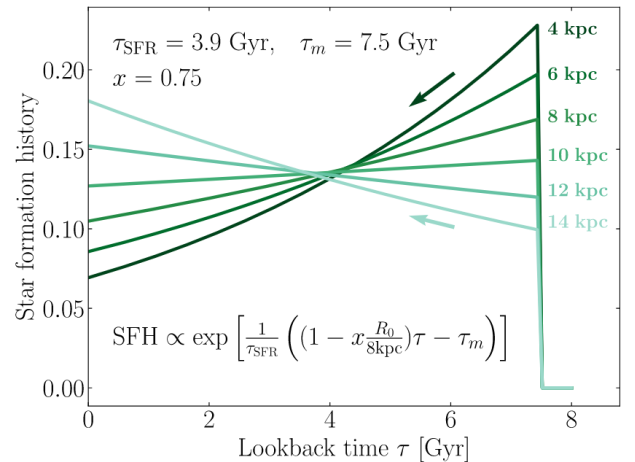


Figure 1. Frankel et al. (2019) Figure 5 showing the model for inside-out growth.

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