Introductory Astronomy

Week 7: Galaxies

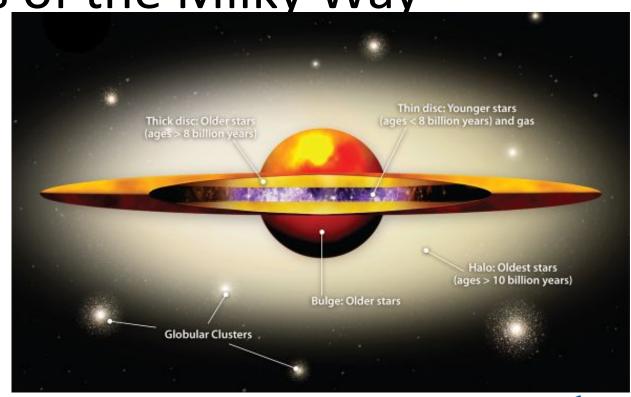
Clip 3: Milky Way Components



Parts of the Milky Way

Thin Disk: 6×10¹⁰ M_☉
young (<8Gy) stars
25×.35kpc

- Thick Disk: 3×10⁹ M_☉ older (10-11Gy) stars 25×1kpc
- Central Bulge: 10¹⁰
 M_⊙ stars of all ages
 5×2kpc
- Halo: 3×10⁹ M_⊙
 oldest
 (11-13Gy)stars*





Credits

 Milky Way Components: Robert Gendler, Amanda Smith, IoA, Cambridge U. http://members.nova.org/~sol/solcom/x-objects/cenbulge.htm

