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1. MIXTURE MODEL

For each observation of $(L, \frac{\alpha}{\text{Fe}}, \frac{\text{Fe}}{\text{H}})$, let $\{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^n$ represent observed metallicities of stars drawn from one of m known model densities. We model the density of observations using the mixture model

$$f(x,y) = \sum_{j=1}^{m} \pi_j f_j(x,y)$$
 $\sum_{j=1}^{m} \pi_j = 1$ $\pi_j \ge 0, j = 1, \dots, m$

With a complete likelihood of

$$L(\pi) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} f(x_i, y_i) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{m} \pi_j f_j(x_i, y_i) \right\}$$
$$l(\pi) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log \left(\sum_{j=1}^{m} \pi_j f_j(x_i, y_i) \right)$$

Evaluation of $\partial l(\boldsymbol{\pi})/\partial \pi$ can be avoided by adding a latent indicator, z, to the observed data (x,y), representing the model group from which that observation was generated. Let G_j be the j^{th} model group, and let

$$z_{ij} = \mathbf{1}\big\{(x_i, y_i) \mapsto G_j\big\}$$

The incomplete data likelihood is defined over the complete data $\{(x_i, y_i, \mathbf{z}_i)\}_{i=1}^n$ as

$$L(\boldsymbol{\pi}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \prod_{j=1}^{m} \left\{ f_j(x_i, y_i) \right\}^{z_{ij}} \pi_j^{z_{ij}}$$

$$l(\pi) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} z_{ij} \log \{\pi_j f_j(x_i, y_i)\}$$

2. EM

First we find the expected value of $l(\pi)$ conditional on the distribution of z. Since z_{ij} is an indicator function, its expected value is equal to the probability that data point i comes from model j.

2.1. Expected value of $l(\pi)$. The expected value of $l(\pi)$ is

$$E_{\boldsymbol{\pi}} \Big[l(\boldsymbol{\pi}) \big| \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \Big] = \sum_{i=1}^{n} E(\boldsymbol{\pi} | x_i, y_i) l(\boldsymbol{\pi} | x_i, y_i)$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} E_{\boldsymbol{\pi}} \Big[z_{ij} | x_i, y_i \Big] \Big\{ \log f_j(x_i, y_i) + \log \pi_j \Big\}$$

where

$$\mathrm{E}_{\boldsymbol{\pi}}\Big[z_{ij}|x_i,y_i\Big] = \mathrm{Probability}\Big((x_i,y_i) \mapsto G_j|x_i,y_i\Big)$$

2.2. Expected value of $\pi | \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}$. The expected value of z_{ij} is the same as the expected value of π_j , given the data. This can be specified as

$$E_{\pi} \left[z_j | x_i, y_i \right] = P(z_j | x_i, y_i) = \frac{P(x_i, y_i | z_j = 1) P(z_j = 1)}{P(x_i, y_i)}$$

with constituent parts:

$$P(x_i, y_i | z_j = 1) = f_j(x_i, y_i)$$
 $P(x_i, y_i | z_j) = \prod_{j=1}^m f_j^{z_i}$ $P(z_j) = \prod_{j=1}^m \pi_j^{z_j}$

thus

$$E_{\pi} \left[z_j | x_i, y_i \right] = \frac{\pi_j f_j(x_i, y_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^m \pi_j f_j(x_i, y_i)}$$

Defining $w_{ij}^{(t)}$ as the expected value of z_{ij} at the t^{th} step, and $\pi_j^{(t)}$ as the MLE of π_j at the t^{th} step, yields

$$w_{ij}^{(t+1)} = \frac{\pi_j^{(t)} f_j(x_i, y_i)}{\sum_{k=1}^m \pi_k^{(t)} f_k(x_i, y_i)}$$

2.3. Solving for π .

$$0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial \pi_k} \mathbf{E}_{\boldsymbol{\pi}} \left[l(\boldsymbol{\pi}) \big| \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \right]$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ w_{ij}^{(0)} \frac{1}{\pi_k} - w_{im}^{(0)} \frac{1}{1 - \pi_1 - \dots - \pi_{m-1}} \right\}, k = 1, \dots, m-1$$

Therefore

$$\frac{1}{\pi_1} \sum_{i=1}^n w_{i1}^{(0)} = \dots = \frac{1}{\pi_{m-1}} \sum_{i=1}^n w_{i,m-1}^{(0)} = c$$

$$\hat{\pi}_k = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_{ik}^{(0)}}{c}$$

$$\pi_j^{(1)} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_{ij}^{(0)}}{n}$$

And in general,

$$\pi_j^{(t+1)} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_{ij}^{(t)}}{n}$$

3. Observed Information

As $\pi_m = 1 - \sum_{j=1}^m \pi_j$ there are only g free parameters. Thus let g = m - 1, and $\pi' = \pi[1, \ldots, g]$. The observed information matrix, $I(\pi'|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is given by the $g \times g$ negative hessian:

$$l(\boldsymbol{\pi'}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log \left(\sum_{j=1}^{g} \pi_{j} f_{j} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\pi'})}{\partial \pi_{k}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{f_{k}}{\sum_{j=1}^{g} \pi_{j} f_{j}}$$

$$\frac{\partial^{2} l(\boldsymbol{\pi'})}{\partial \pi_{k} \partial \pi_{r}} = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{f_{k}}{\left(\sum_{j=1}^{g} \pi_{j} f_{j} \right)^{2} f_{r}}$$

$$I(\boldsymbol{\pi} | \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = -\frac{\partial^{2} l(\boldsymbol{\pi'})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\pi'} \partial \boldsymbol{\pi'}^{T}} = -\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^{2} l(\boldsymbol{\pi'})}{\partial \pi_{1}^{2}} & \frac{\partial^{2} l(\boldsymbol{\pi'})}{\partial \pi_{1} \partial \pi_{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^{2} l(\boldsymbol{\pi'})}{\partial \pi_{1} \partial \pi_{g}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^{2} l(\boldsymbol{\pi'})}{\partial \pi_{g} \partial \pi_{1}} & \frac{\partial^{2} l(\boldsymbol{\pi'})}{\partial \pi_{g} \partial \pi_{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^{2} l(\boldsymbol{\pi'})}{\partial \pi_{g}^{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{\left(\sum_{j=1}^{g} \pi_{j} f_{j}\right)^{2}} & \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{f_{1}}{\left(\sum_{j=1}^{g} \pi_{j} f_{j}\right)^{2} f_{2}} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{f_{1}}{\left(\sum_{j=1}^{g} \pi_{j} f_{j}\right)^{2} f_{g}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{f_{g}}{\left(\sum_{j=1}^{g} \pi_{j} f_{j}\right)^{2} f_{1}} & \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{f_{g}}{\left(\sum_{j=1}^{g} \pi_{j} f_{j}\right)^{2} f_{2}} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{\left(\sum_{j=1}^{g} \pi_{j} f_{j}\right)^{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

3.1. Variance and Covariance of π . The asymptotic covariance matrix of π can be approximated by the inverse of the observed information matrix, $I^{-1}(\hat{\pi}|\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y})$, yielding

$$Cov(\pi_p, \pi_q) = \begin{cases} I^{-1}(\hat{\pi}) & p, q < m \\ \sum_{j=1}^{g} Cov(\pi_j, \pi_q) & p = m, q < m \\ \sum_{j=1}^{g} \sum_{k=1}^{g} Cov(\pi_j, \pi_k) & p, q = m \end{cases}$$

$$\operatorname{Var}(\pi_j) = \sigma_j^2 = \left\{ \left| \operatorname{Cov}(\boldsymbol{\pi}) \right| \right\}_{jj}$$

^{*}Excluding i where $(\sum_{j=1}^g \pi_j f_j)^2 f_i = 0$ to avoid dividing by zero.

^{*} There are many negative covariances; this is ok I think.

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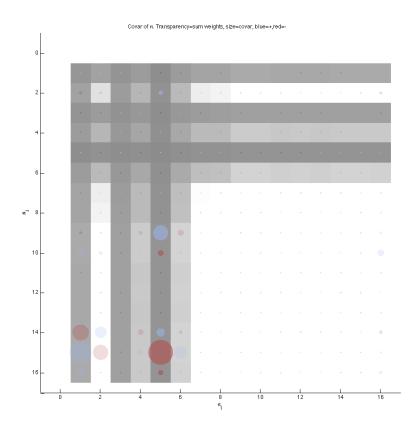


Table 1. Covariance, in percent, of $\hat{\pi}$ overlaid on $\hat{\pi}_i + \hat{\pi}_j$. Larger dots are covariances; negative covariances are red.

| 0.0001 | 0.001 | - | - | -0.0004 | -0.0001 | - | - | 0.0001 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.0007 |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|---|---|---------|---------|---------|---|---------|
| -0.001 | -0.0009 | - | -0.0002 | 0.0015 | -0.0004 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | -0.001 |
| - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| -0.0002 | 0.0003 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| _ | -0.0001 | - | - | 0.0001 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 0.0003 | -0.0001 | - | 0.0001 | -0.0004 | 0.0002 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| -0.0001 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| _ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| -0.0011 | -0.0001 | - | -0.0013 | 0.0053 | -0.0021 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.0001 | - | 0.001 |
| 0.0023 | 0.0013 | -0.0001 | 0.0008 | -0.002 | - | -0.0001 | 0.0001 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.0023 |
| - | - | - | - | -0.0001 | 0.0001 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 0.0003 | -0.0003 | - | - | -0.0001 | 0.0001 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| -0.0058 | 0.0041 | 0.0001 | -0.0019 | 0.003 | -0.0011 | 0.0002 | 0.0001 | 0.0003 | - | - | -0.0001 | -0.0001 | -0.0001 | - | -0.0012 |
| 0.0076 | -0.0053 | -0.0001 | 0.0019 | -0.0086 | 0.0045 | -0.0003 | 0.0002 | -0.0003 | - | - | - | - | -0.0001 | - | -0.0005 |
| 0.0025 | -0.0001 | -0.0001 | -0.0005 | -0.0018 | 0.0011 | -0.0001 | 0.0003 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.0012 |
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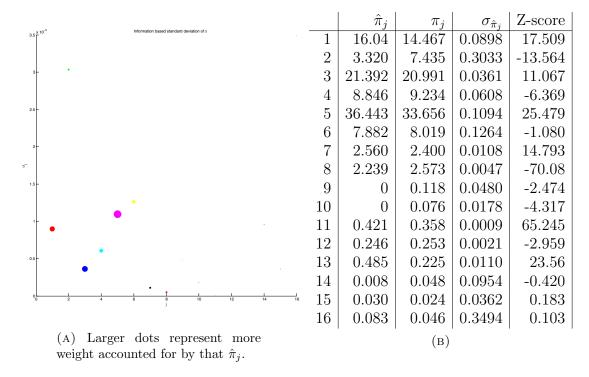


FIGURE 1. Variance of $\hat{\pi}$, true π , in percent, and z-scores.

$$Z\text{-score} = \frac{\hat{\pi}_j - \pi}{\sigma_{\hat{\pi}_j}}$$

4. Likelihood ratio test

Given certain conditions

$$H_0: \boldsymbol{\pi} = \boldsymbol{\pi}_{\mathrm{true}}$$

 $H_1: \boldsymbol{\pi} \neq \boldsymbol{\pi}_{\mathrm{true}}$

$$\Lambda = -2\log \frac{\sup_{\boldsymbol{\pi} = \boldsymbol{\pi}_{\text{true}}} l(\boldsymbol{\pi})}{\sup_{\boldsymbol{\pi}} l(\boldsymbol{\pi})} = -2\{l(\boldsymbol{\pi}_{\text{true}}) - l(\hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}})\} \sim \chi_{m-1}^2$$

$$\begin{split} \Lambda_{\rm Halo~3} &= 25.025 \sim \chi_{15}^2 \\ \text{p-value}~ 10\text{k} &= 4.961\% \\ \text{p-value}~ 30\text{k} &= 1.3 \times 10^{-5}\% \\ \text{p-value}~ 50\text{k} &= 1.4 \times 10^{-12}\% \end{split}$$

Thus we accept H_0 when requiring 95% or less confidence; there is only a 4.961% chance we would see a value this extreme or more given H_0 is true. This holds for 400 to 1600 EM iterations.