Link between curves and M theoretical distributions

(Duane will cover this part I think)
Partition the mass and accretion time into m combinations of $\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T}$ where

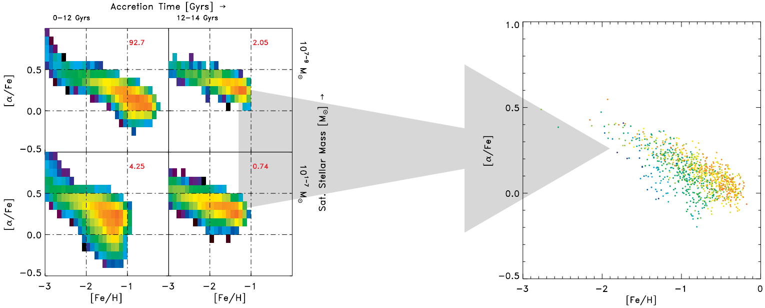
$$\text{Sat. stellar mass:} \quad \bigcup \mathcal{M}_j = [0, 10^9] M_\odot$$
$$\text{Accretion time:} \quad \bigcup \mathcal{T}_j = [0, 14]\text{Gyr}$$

$$f_j(x, y) = P(x, y | \text{Mass} \in \mathcal{M}_j, \text{Accretion time} \in \mathcal{T}_j)$$

A generative finite mixture model

Theoretical halo distributions

Observations



$$\left[\frac{Fe}{H}, \frac{\alpha}{Fe}\right]_{i=1}^{N} \text{i.i.d} \sim F(x,y) = \sum_{j=1}^{m} \pi_j f_j(x,y)$$

Finding the mixing proportions $\boldsymbol{\pi}$

Unfortunately the maximum likelihood estimate of the mixing proportions,

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}_{\mathrm{MLE}} = \operatorname*{argmax}_{\boldsymbol{\pi}} L(\boldsymbol{\pi})$$

is intractable as our model

$$F(x, y) = \sum_{j=1}^{m} \pi_j f_j(x, y)$$

has a log likelihood of

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

Adding the latent variable $\mathbf{z}$

Suppose we knew which f_j each observation came from:

$$z_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (x_i, y_i) \sim f_j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The log likelihood can then be expressed as

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

The addition of the latent variable $\mathbf{z}$ actually makes things easier by allowing us to use expectation maximization to estimate of $\boldsymbol{\pi}$.

Finding $\hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}$ using expectation maximization

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}^{(t)} = \underset{\boldsymbol{\pi}}{\operatorname{argmax}}\, \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y},\hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}^{(t-1)}}\left[L(\boldsymbol{\pi})\right]$$

At each time t, the estimate for $\boldsymbol{\pi}$ is the argmax of the expected value of the likelihood, given the data and the estimate of $\boldsymbol{\pi}$ from the previous time.

- First we find the expected value of $L(\boldsymbol{\pi})$ using the current estimate of the latent variable
- $\hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}^{(t)}$ is the $\text{argmax}_{\boldsymbol{\pi}}$ of this expectation
- We repeat until $L(\boldsymbol{\pi})$ stabilizes

Find the expected value of $L(\boldsymbol{\pi})$ using the current estimate of the latent variable

The expected value of $L(\boldsymbol{\pi})$, with respect to the conditional distribution of $\mathbf{z}$, given observed data and $\boldsymbol{\pi}^{(t-1)}$ is

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

Since z_{ij} is an indicator, its expected value is simply the probability that data point i comes from model j

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\pi}}\Big[z_{ij}|x_i,y_i\Big] &= \Pr_{\boldsymbol{\pi}}(z_{ij}|x_i,y_i) \\
&= \frac{p(x_i,y_i|z_{ij}=1)p(z_{ij}=1)}{p(x_i,y_i)} \\
&= \frac{\pi_j f_j(x_i,y_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^{m}\pi_j f_j(x_i,y_i)}
\end{aligned}$$

Find the argmax_{π} of this expectation

Now that we have the expected value of $L(\boldsymbol{\pi})$ with respect to the conditional distribution of $\mathbf{z}$, we need only evaluate

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}^{(t)} = \underset{\boldsymbol{\pi}}{\text{argmax}}\, \mathbb{E}\left[L(\boldsymbol{\pi}) \middle| \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}^{(t-1)}\right]$$

Let

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}}^{(t)} = \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\pi}}\left[z_{ij} \middle| x_i, y_i\right]$$

Accounting for the $m-1$ free parameters of $\boldsymbol{\pi}$, differentiation proceeds, for $k = 1, \ldots, m-1$, as:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \pi_k} \mathbb{E}\left[L(\boldsymbol{\pi}) \middle| \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\right] = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ w_{ik}^{(t-1)} \frac{1}{\pi_k} - w_{im}^{(t-1)} \frac{1}{1 - \pi_1 - \ldots - \pi_{m-1}} \right\}$$

$$\frac{1}{\pi_k} \sum_{i=1}^{n} w_{ik}^{(t-1)} = \frac{1}{1 - \pi_1 - \ldots - \pi_{m-1}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} w_{im}^{(t-1)}$$

Find the argmax$_\pi$ of this expectation

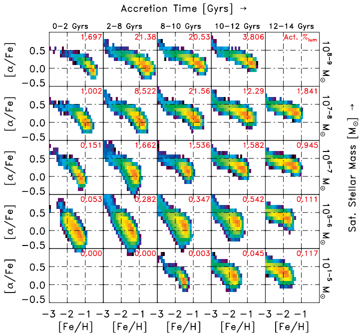
Consequently

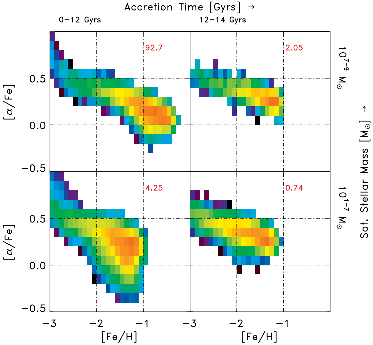
$$\hat{\pi}_k^{(t)} = \begin{cases} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} w_{ij}^{(t-1)}}{n} & k = 1, \ldots, m-1 \\ 1 - \pi_1 - \ldots - \pi_{m-1} & k = m \end{cases}$$

Where

$$w_{ij}^{(t+1)} = \begin{cases} \dfrac{\pi_j^{(t)} f_j(x_i, y_i)}{\displaystyle\sum_{k=1}^{m} \pi_k^{(t)} f_k(x_i, y_i)} & j = 1, \ldots, m-1 \\ 1 - w_{i1} - \ldots - w_{i,m-1} & j = m \end{cases}$$

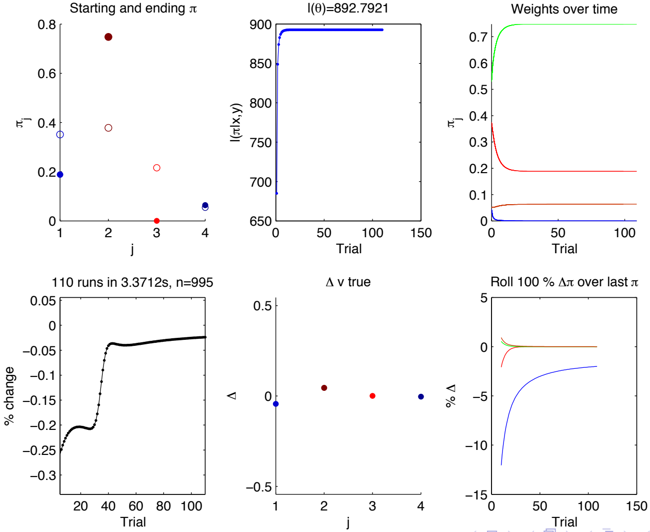
We used a 5x5 and a 2x2 set of theoretical distributions



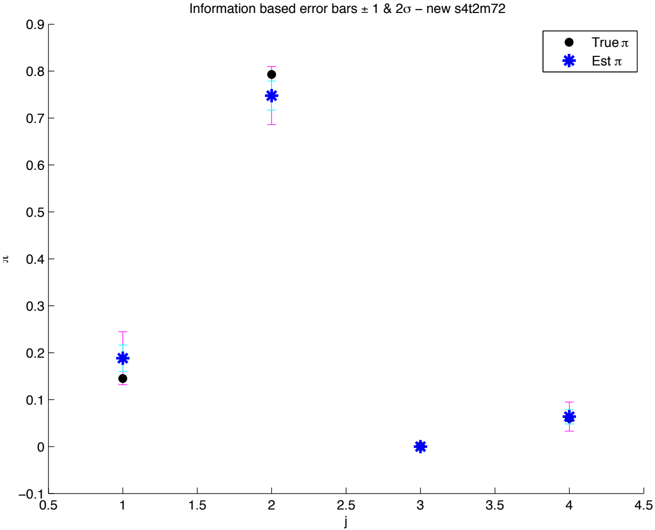


Simulation results

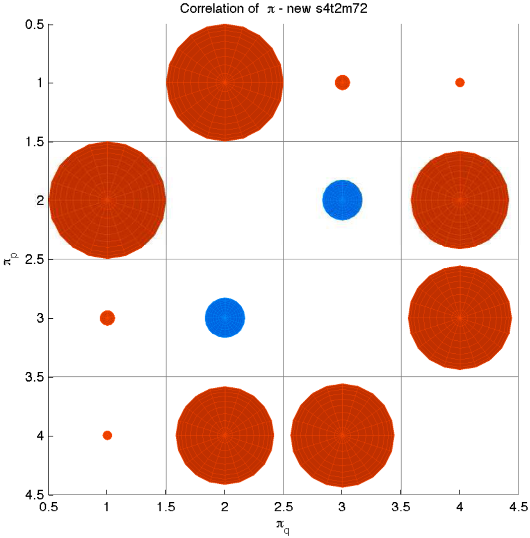
Works starting at about 1,000 observations, although larger π values are found with smaller data sets.



Confidence intervals



Correlation between π



Conclusion

Worked

- 2x2
- EM
- 5x5 in a few cases
- M-of-n bootstrapped errors

Did not work

- 5x5
- Parametric bootstrapped errors

Future improvements

- Non-arbitrary gridding
- Smoothing of f_j