

Milky Way science with the MSE

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From nucleosynthesis to the Galaxy evolution







Stellar chemical abundances

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The Galactic Chemical Evolution

Milky Way evolution





Chemical abundance of the halo/bulge/disc stars

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• Evolution of the Galactic Open Clusters

Milky Way and resolved stellar populations

From nucleosynthesis to the Galaxy evolution

• Chemical evolution of the MW and accreted galaxies

The Galactic Chemical Evolution

Milky Way evolution

• The footprint of merger events





Passage of the Sgr, dsph through the MW disc introduce perturbations





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Also a snail shell / spiral pattern in the phase space within 1kpc



But the snail shell / spiral patter in the phase space can be seen further

"At least to R~15 kpc"



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"At least to R~15 kpc" -- Xu+ 2020 with LAMOST K giants, because of too few giants in the outer disc



MSE: "Yes, look at the main sequence turn-off stars"

Can the pattern be seen in an even further galactic radius?



Maunakea Spectroscopic Exploreer

- -0.8
- -1.0
- -1.2
- −1.4 [Vec | 1.4 [V
- -1.8
- -2.0
- -2.2
- Bergemann+2019

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Chemical evolution of the accreted Gaia-Enceladus/sausage



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What is the most unknown element in other galaxies?

Lithium

Oh fragile Li, only un-evolved stars can serve to trace your evolution in a galaxy



Too far, too faint, too difficult to reach

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Big Bang Nucleosynthesis prediction

Cosmological Li problem

The Spite Plateau

Lithium in the MW







Lithium in the Gaia-Enceladus/sausage





Molaro+2020, based on archive data



Lithium in the Gaia-Enceladus/sausage



Simpson+2021, based on GALAH DR3

Is the universal? Any possibility to check other galaxies?



Lithium in the Gaia-Enceladus/sausage



Is the universal? Any possibility to check other galaxies?



MSE: "Yes, check other accreted stars from minor merger events"



Lithium in the Gaia-Enceladus/sausage







Are the open clusters really "open"?

A perfect benchmark for ⁴



Stellar evolution Galactic evolution









Carrera+2019, based on GALAH & APOGEE



Fu+ in prep., based on LAMOST





Carrera+2019, based on GALAH & APOGEE

Can we know more about the outer disc open clusters?



Fu+ in prep., based on LAMOST

Can we know more about the outer disc open clusters?

MSE: "Yes, I can reach turn-off stars to 20-50 kpc"





Milky Way and resolved stellar populations From nucleosynthesis to the Galaxy evolution

Welcome to join us and bring more fresh ideas!

