

Kinematics, MDFs and alpha element abundances in the Galactic bulge from the Gaia-ESO survey

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Galactic surveys: New Results on Formation,
Evolution, Structure and Chemical Evolution of
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The question

How did the Milky Way form?

...but maybe, a more general one...

How the galaxies similar to milky way did form?

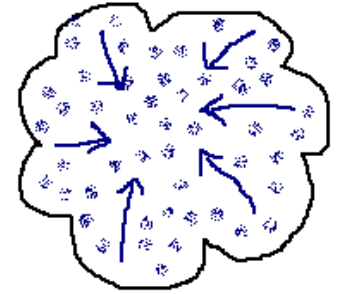
In the general context of galaxy formation the Milky Way bulge appears as an ideal laboratory

- Massive component: $M_{\text{bulge}} = 1.8 \cdot 10^{10} M_{\text{sun}}$
- Closest bulge: Star-to-star based analysis of resolved stellar populations



Envisaged scenarios for bulge formation

- In-situ formation via dissipative collapse of protogalactic gas cloud in a free fall time scale (Eggen et al. 1962)

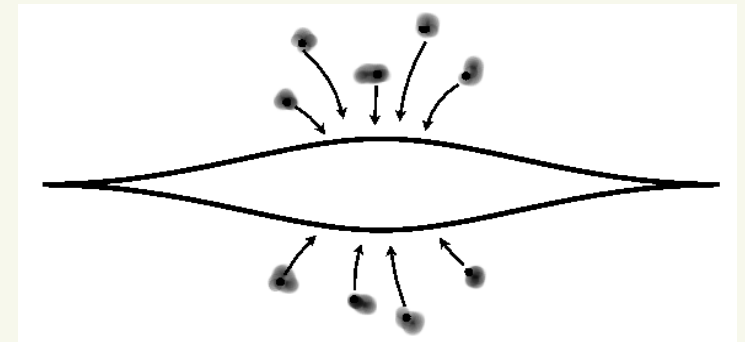


- Hierarchical merging of subclumps:

- Through an early disk evolution (Immeli et al. 2004)
- Through mergers (Scannapieco & Tissera 2004; Nakasato & Nomoto 2003)

- Secular evolution of the galactic disk:

- Bar formation
- Vertical instabilities
- Buckling and fatten



Combes & Sanders 1981; Pfenniger & Norman 1990, Kormendy & Kennicutt 2004; Athanassoula 2005



Bulge fields in the GES iDR4

11 fields

~200 stars per field

GIRAFFE HR21 data

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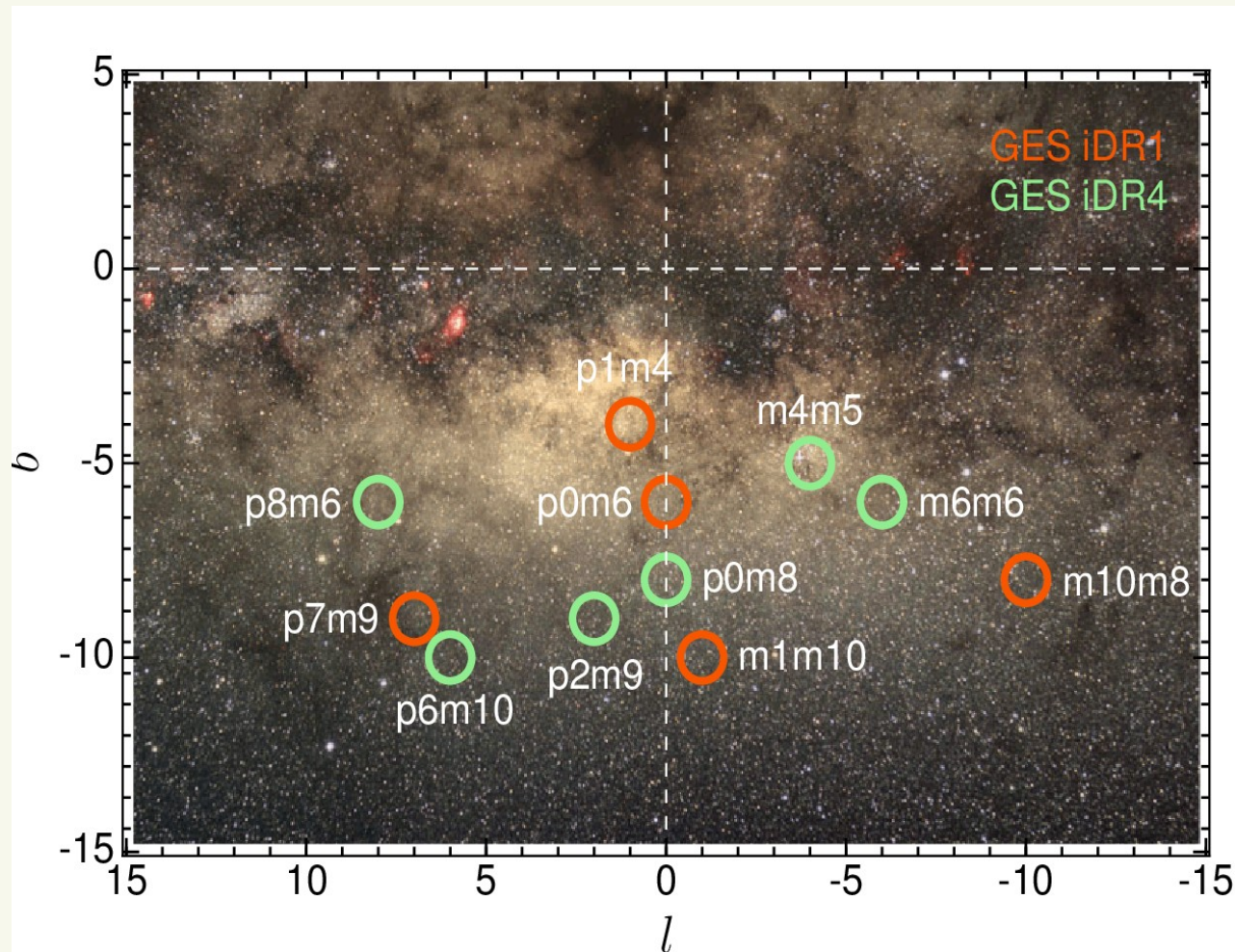
R~16200

Sample size

2548 stars:

GE_MW_BL: 2320

AR_MW_BL: 228



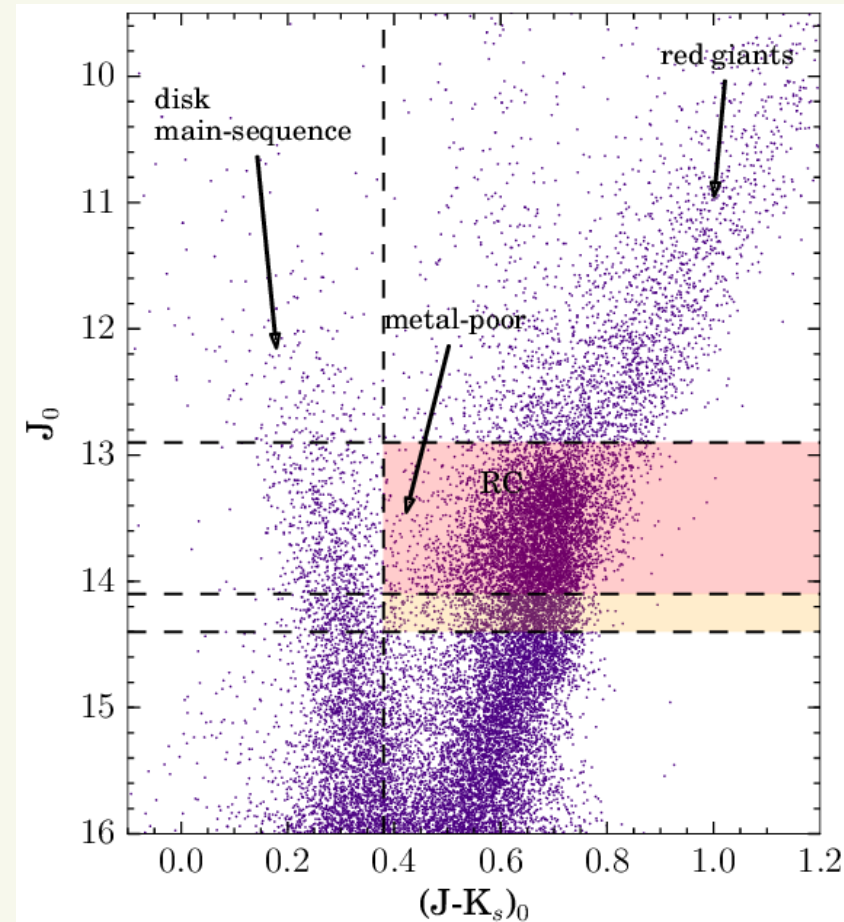
Target selection

From VVV photometry

Color $\rightarrow (J-K_s)_0 > 0.38$

Magnitude $\rightarrow (14.1-1.2) < J_0 < 14.1$

If double RC include up to 30% more targets in another 0.3 mag below nominal cut



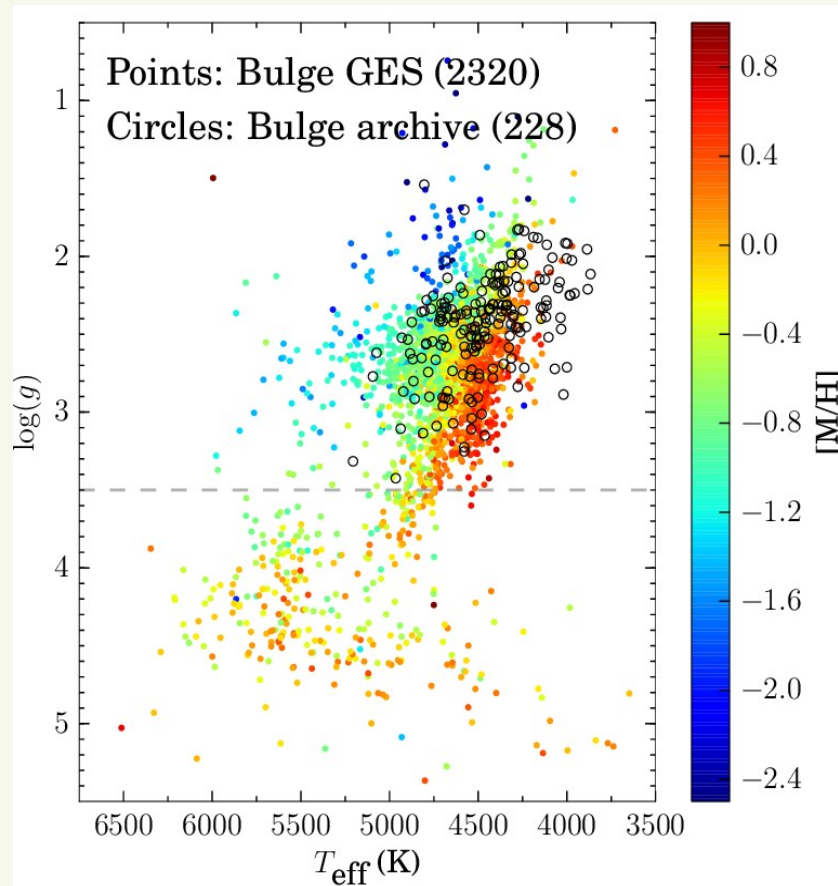
Fundamental parameters

Homogenization of results from 3 codes:

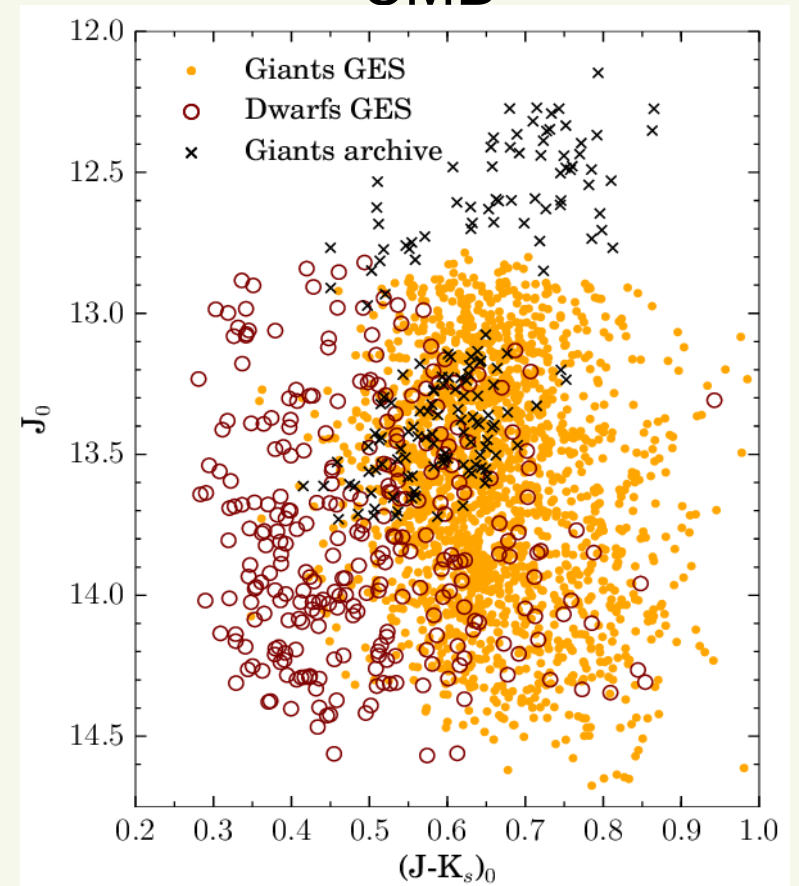
FERRE, MATISSE and SME

T_{eff} , $\log(g)$, $[M/H]$ and $[\alpha/Fe]$

HR



CMD

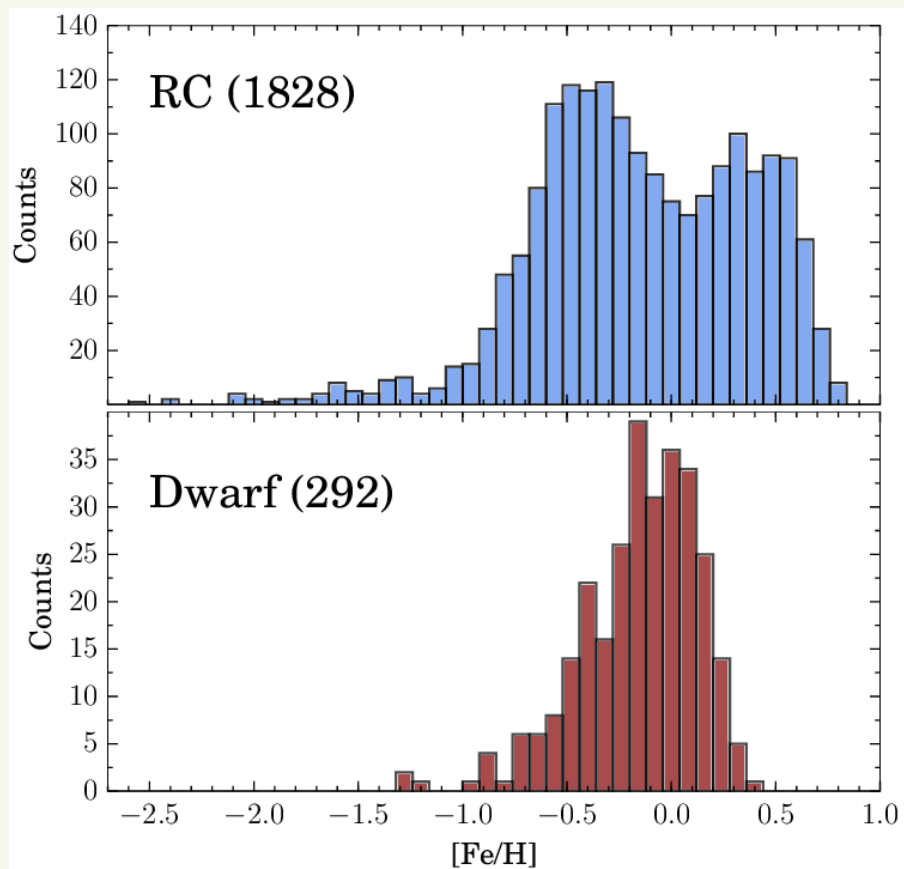




Bulge MDF and kinematics

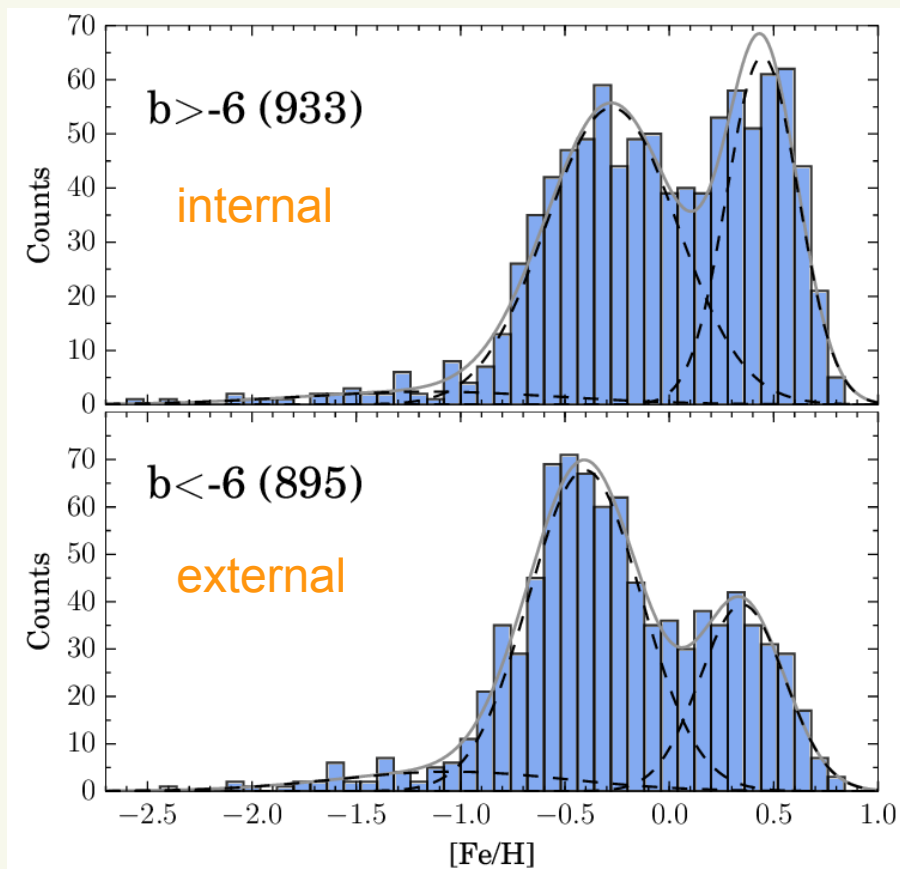
MDFs

$\log(g)_{\text{crit}} = 3.5$ dex



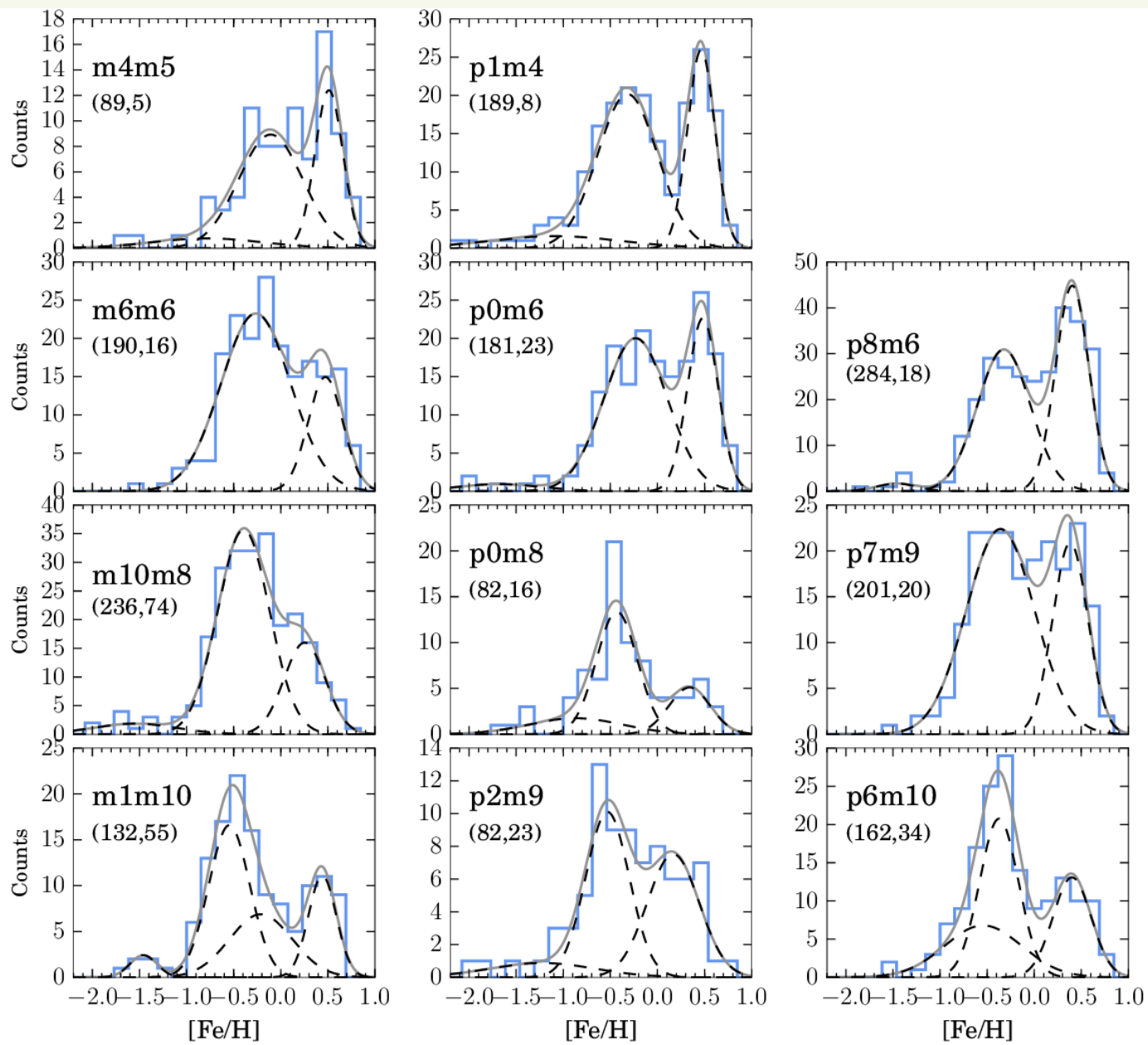
GMM

ii)
i)



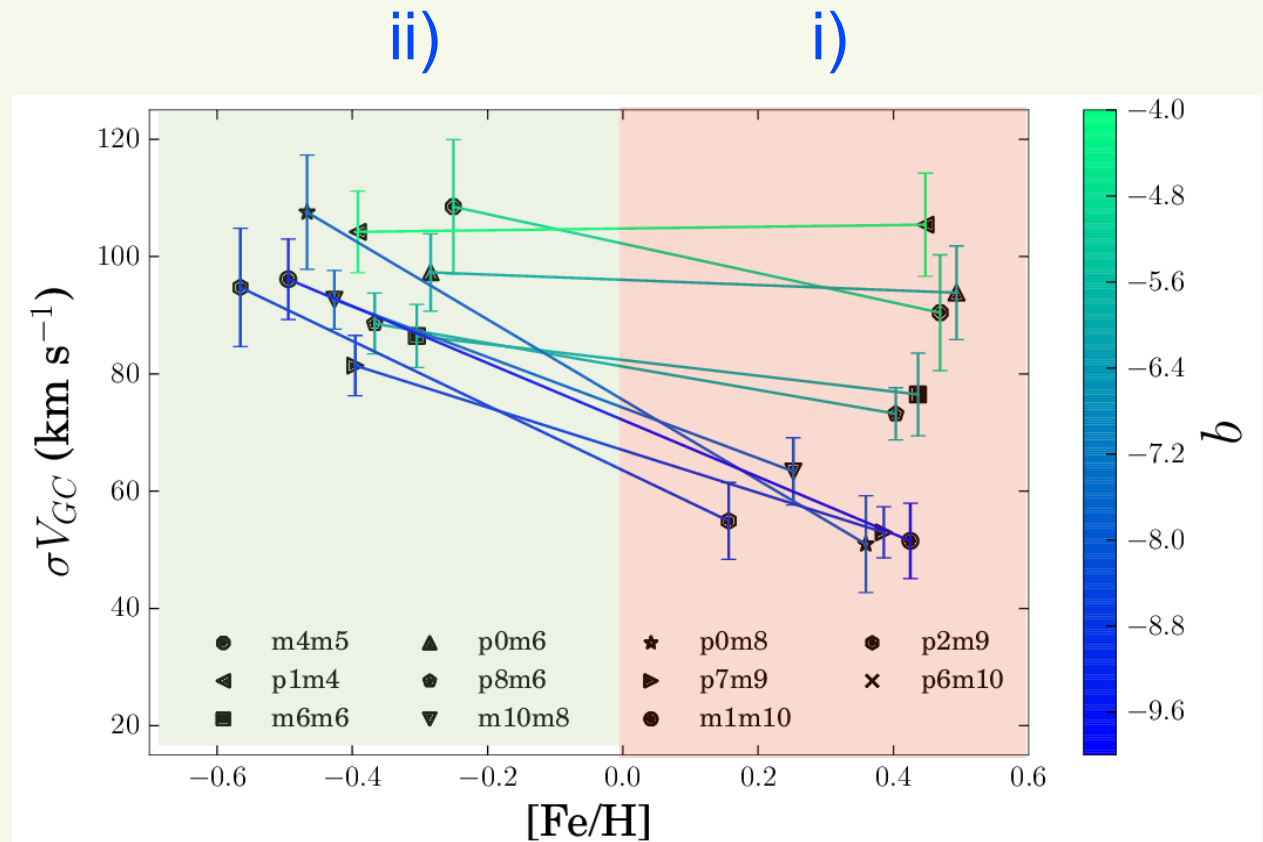
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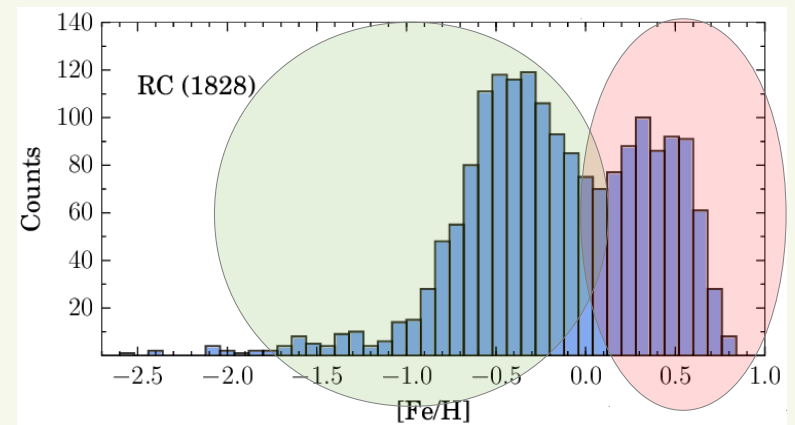
Kinematics of components

Field samples separated according to GMM components



Velocity dispersion:

- High for component (ii)
- Low and variable with (l, b) for (i)
- ... X-shaped orbital structure

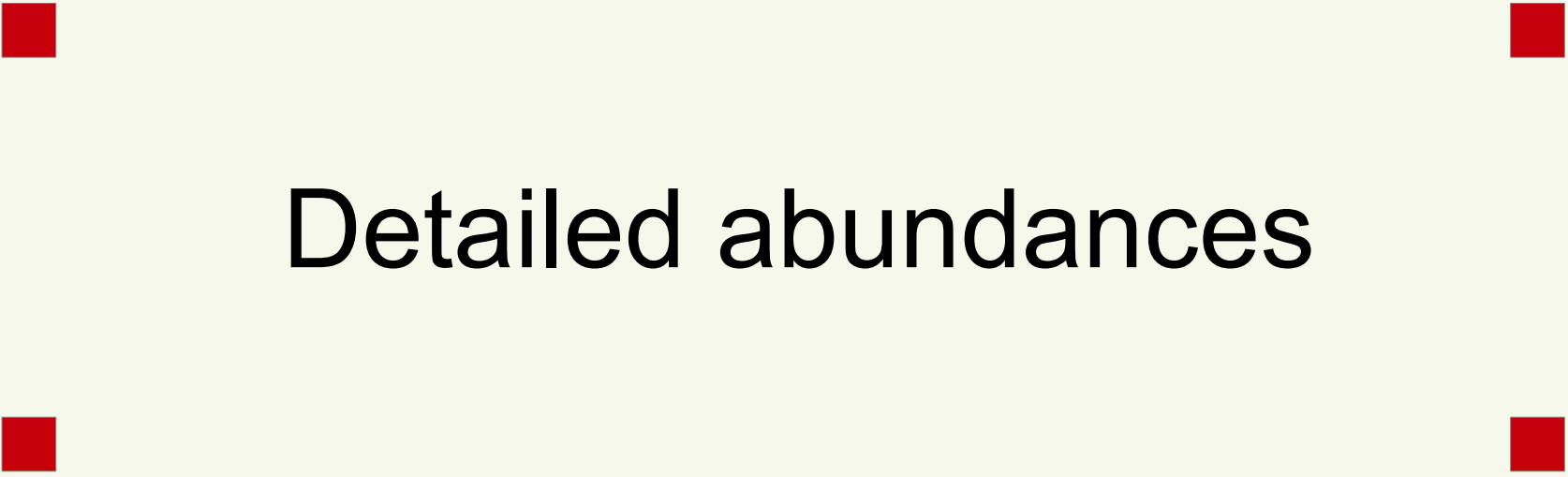


Summarizing

	Metallicity	Breadth	Velocity dispersion	Double RC
i)	Metal-rich [Fe/H]=0.3/0.4 dex	Narrow	Decrease with b	Yes
ii)	Metal-poor [Fe/H]= -0.3/-0.4 dex	Broad	Constant	No

i): [-0.1:0.5] dex: X-shaped boxy/peanut

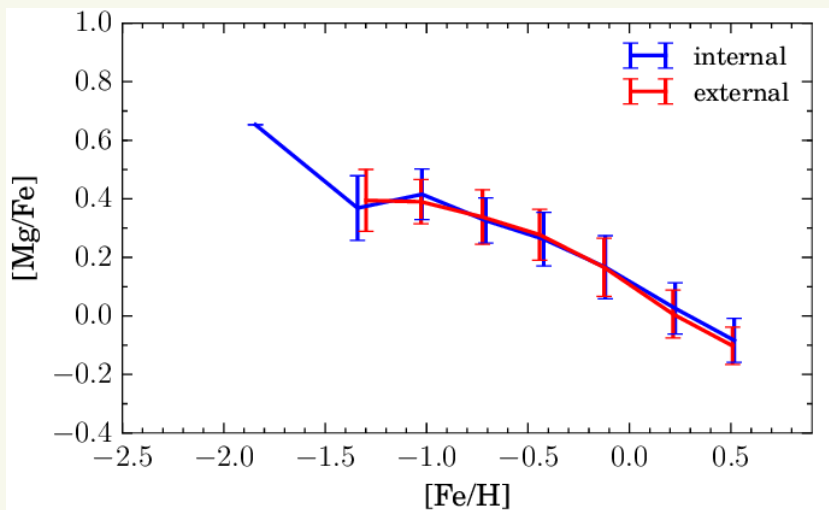
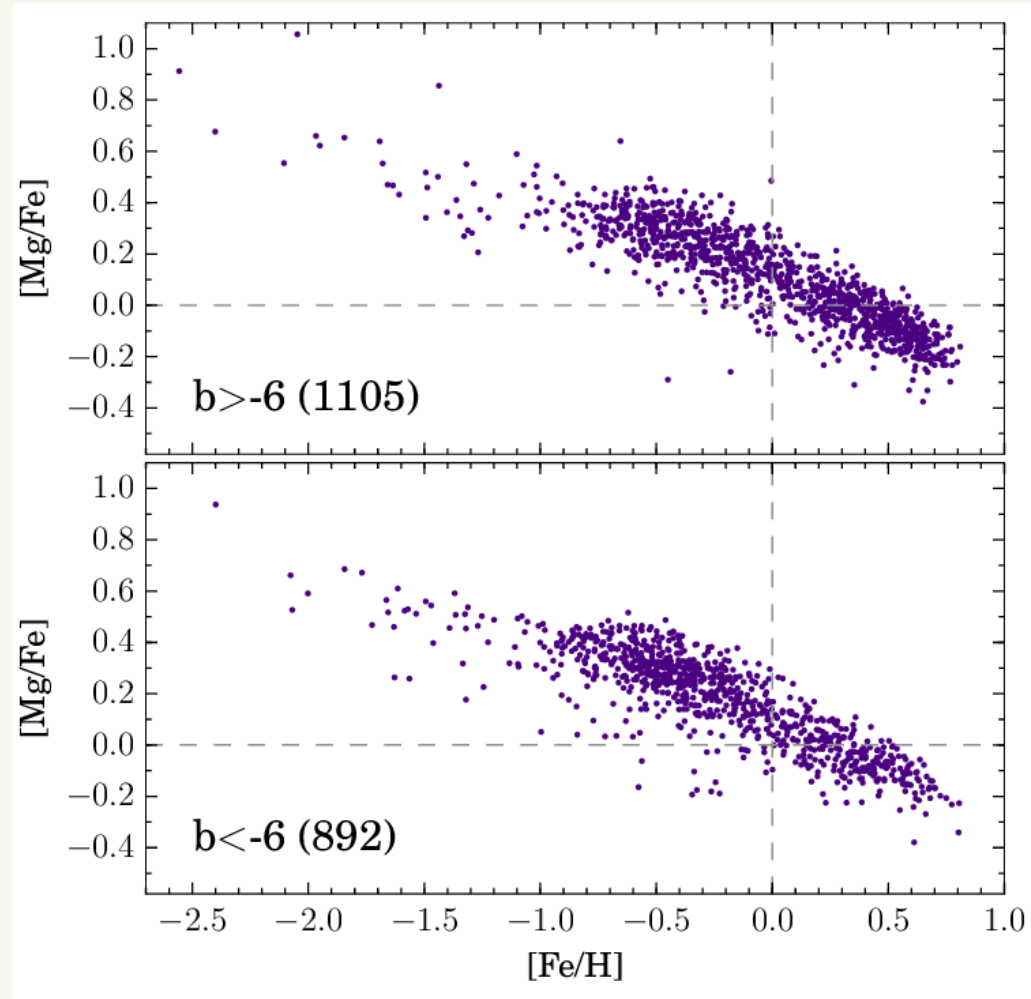
ii): [-1.5:-0.1] dex: spheroidal? Classical? thick disk?



Detailed abundances

The bulge in the $[\text{Mg}/\text{Fe}]$ vs. $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ plane

Detailed abundances measured from spectral lines using recommended fundamental parameters



Comparing the bulge with the disk(s)

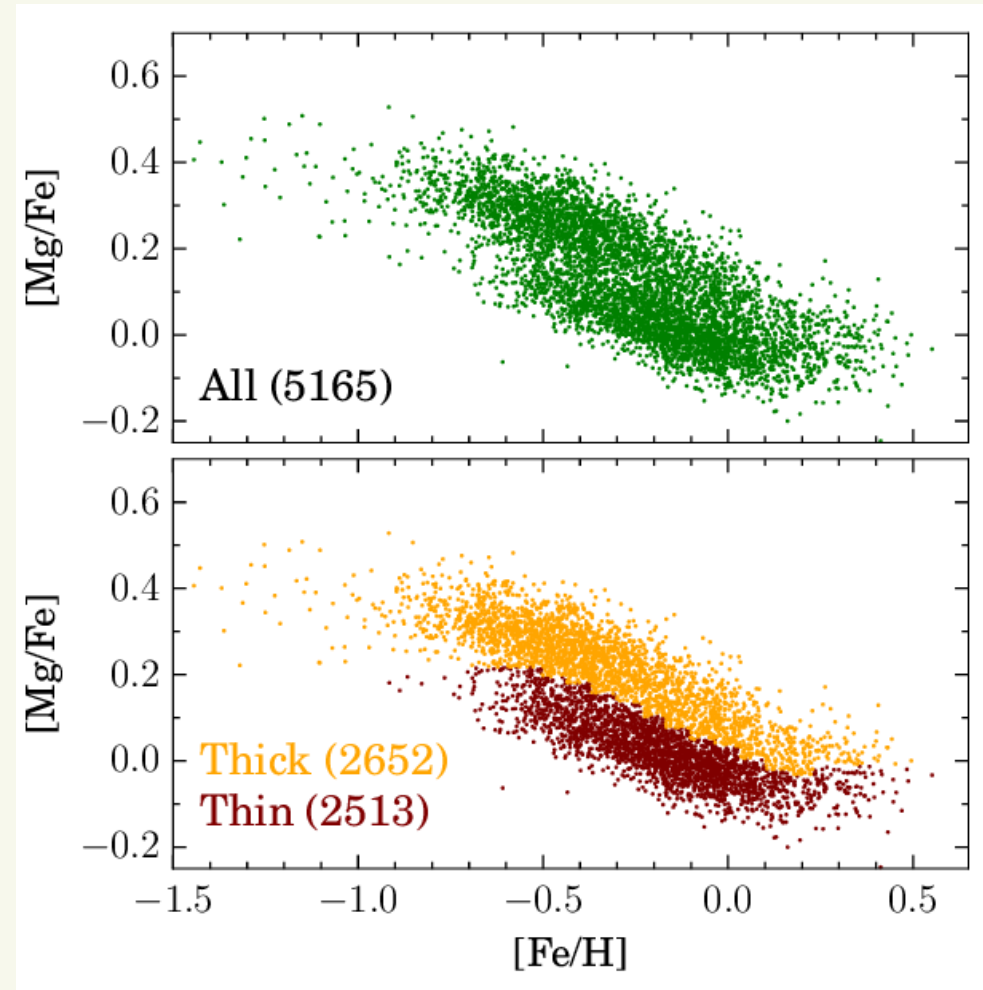
From the HR10|HR21
portion of iDR4

Field stars (GE_MW)

Cuts in 80th percentile; errors in
 T_{eff} , $\log(g)$, $[M/H]$, $A(\text{FeI})$ and
 $A(\text{MgI})$

SNR > 50

~5200 disk stars



Radial limited samples

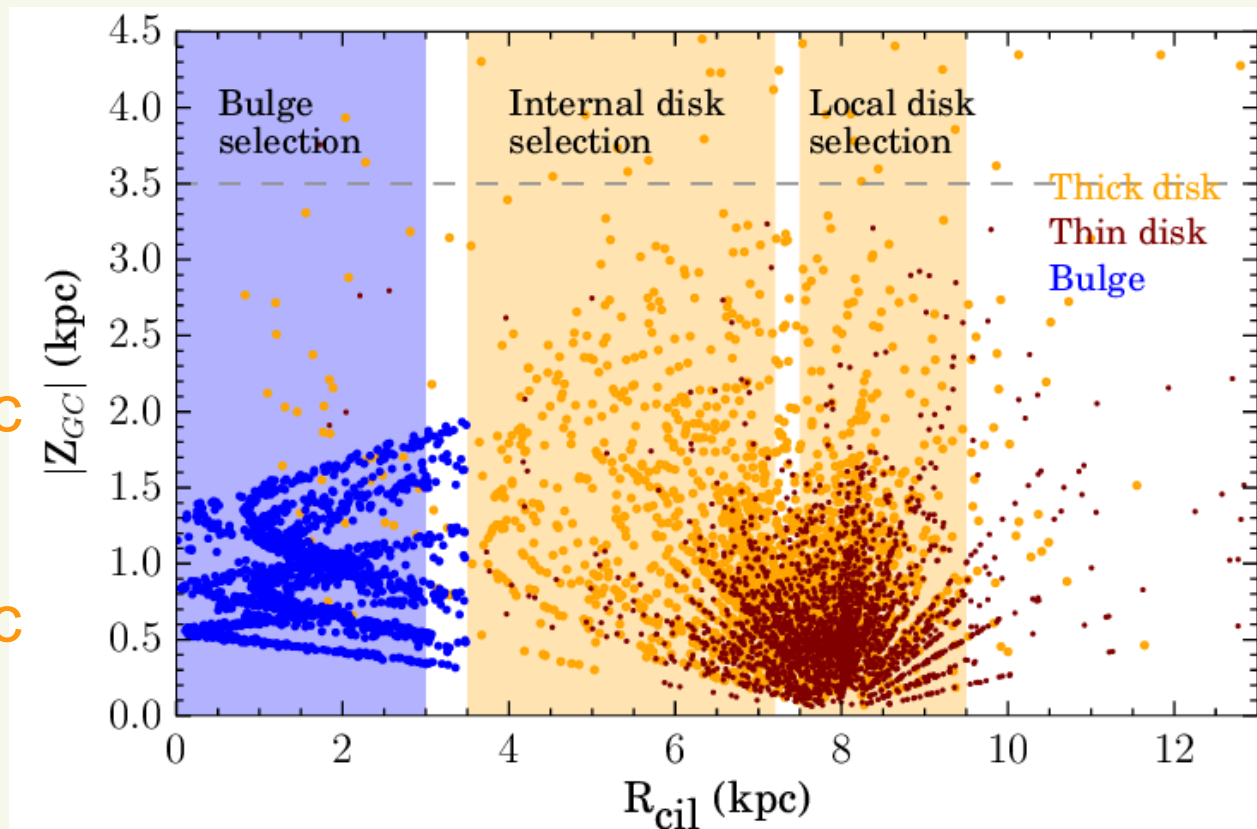
Distances computed via isochrone fitting (PARSEC)

For all stars with $|Z| < 3.5$ kpc

Bulge: $R < 3.5$ kpc

Disk (internal):
 $3.5 < R < 7.2$ kpc

Disk (external):
 $7.5 < R < 9.5$ kpc



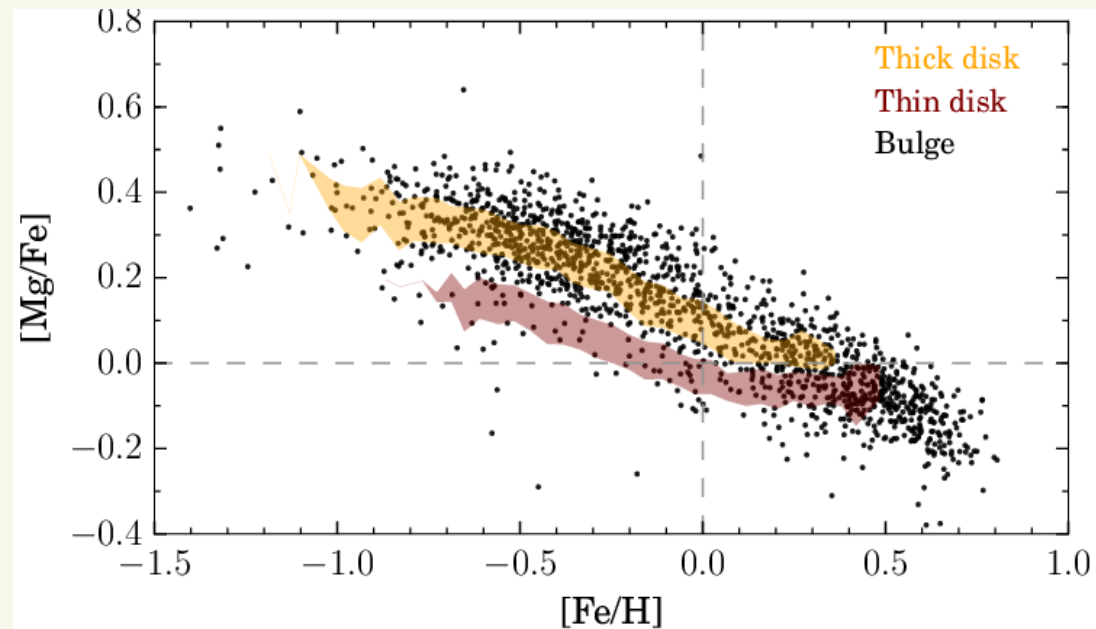
A qualitative comparison

Thin+thick disk ($R > 3.5$ kpc) vs. Bulge ($R < 3.5$ kpc)

Thick disk sequence on the bulge locus up to $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = 0.15$ dex

Thin disk runs under bulge sequence

Thin disk metal-rich end match bulge sequence at $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] > 0.15$ dex

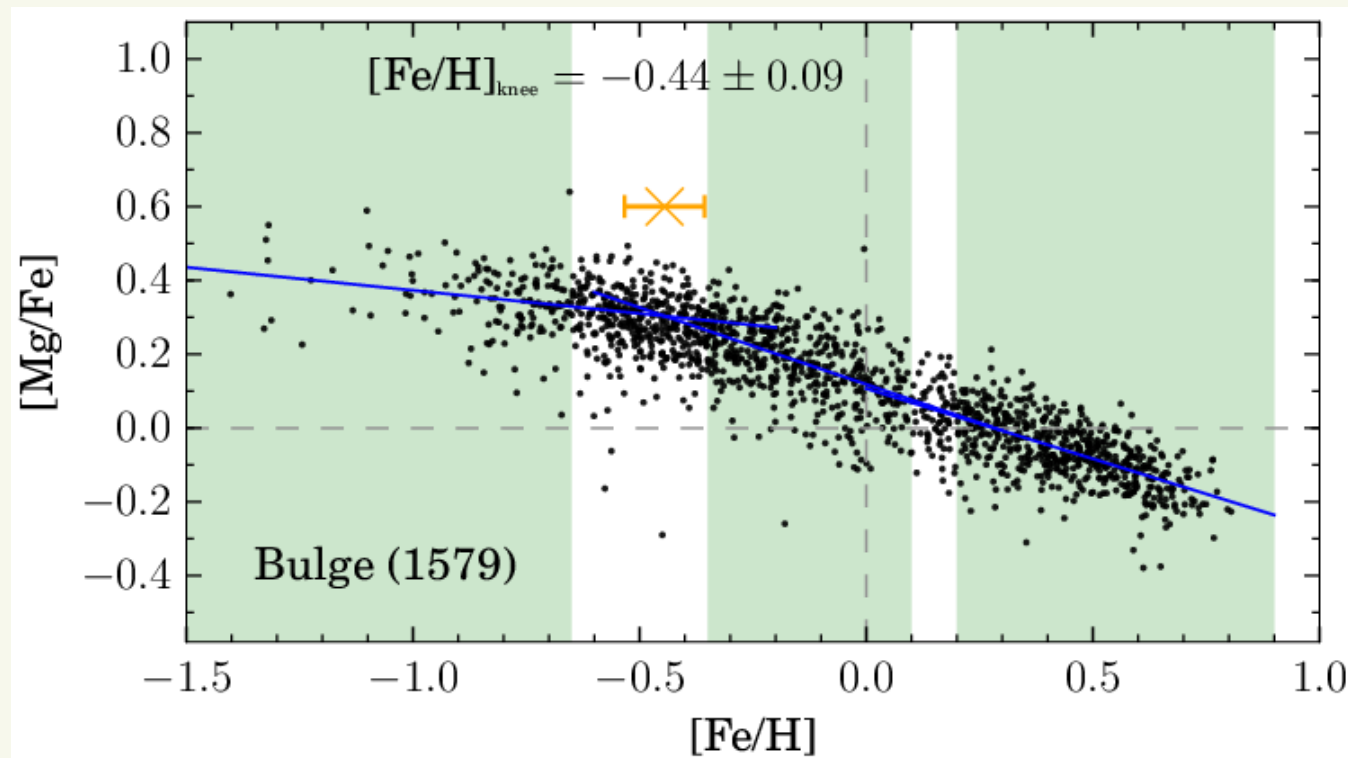


Chemical similarity
between metal-poor bulge
and thick disk

The “knee” position (bulge)

Central tendency fit using stars in selected regions

“knee” position errorbar computed with Monte Carlo resamplings

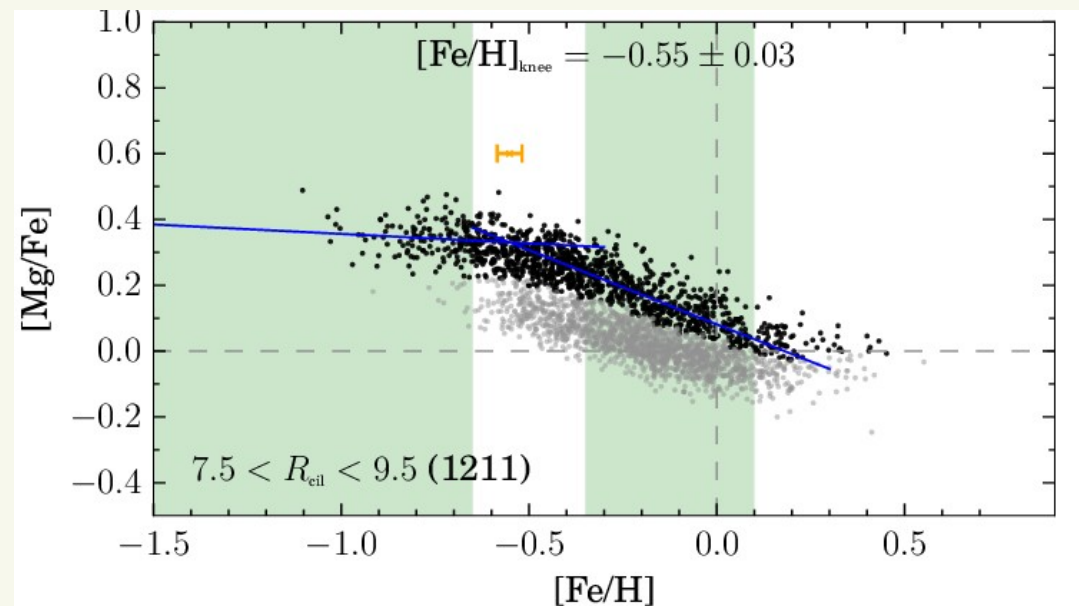
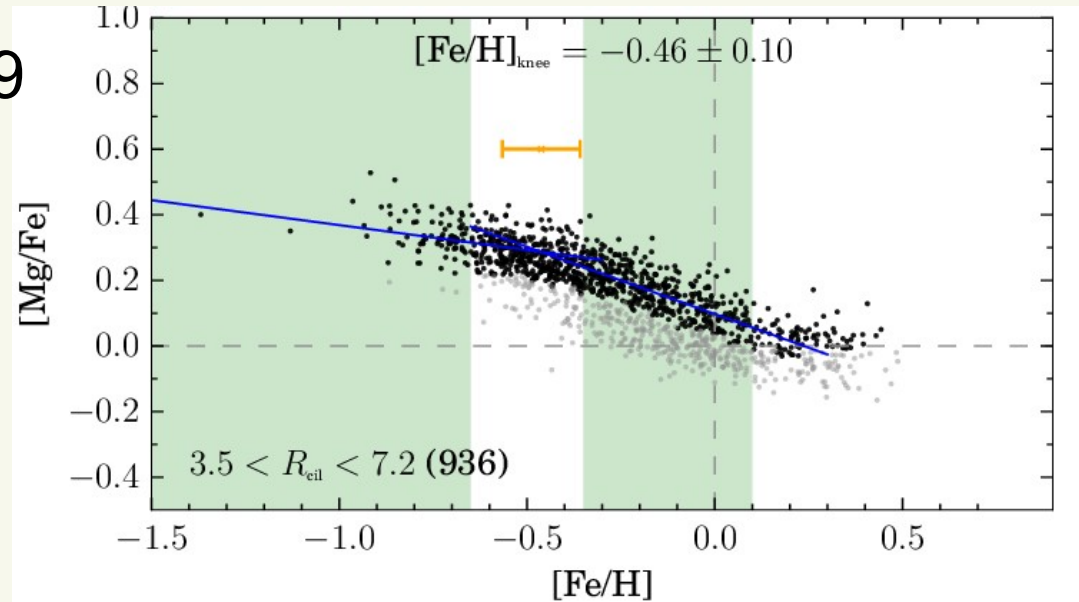


The “knee” position (disk samples)

Bulge: $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]_{\text{knee}} = -0.44 \pm 0.09$

Inner disk sample:
“knee” position
comparable with that of
the bulge

Outer disk sample:
“knee” position ~ 0.1 dex
more metal-poor than the
one of bulge



To summarize

- ◆ The Gaia-ESO survey provide fundamental parameters, metallicity and abundance measurements for a large sample of bulge and disk stars
- ◆ We confirmed presence of at least 2 components in the bulge MDF across the bulge region
- ◆ Velocity dispersion behavior with b different for metal-rich and metal-poor portions of the MDF

To summarize, cont

◆ In the abundance-metallicity plane:

- Indication for a metal-rich bulge sequence; $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] > 0.10$ dex
- Qualitative chemical similarities between the bulge and the thick disk up to $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = 0.1$ dex
- Position of the thick disk “knee” change with radial distance: comparable to that of the bulge for an inner sample
- **Metal-rich bulge:** thin disk origin
Metal-poor bulge: thick disk? Need to conciliate with kinematic evidence

A photograph of the Grand Teton Memorial, a large white stone building with a prominent dome and classical columns. The building is set against a clear blue sky. In the foreground, there are some bushes and a gravel path. A small sign in the bottom left corner reads "GRAND TETONIAL".

Thank you!