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- 1. Precise astrometric measurements are fundamental to estimate the physical quantities of astrophysical objects.
- 2. VLBI observations of masers across the Milky Way can trace the largescale Galactic spiral structure (Chapter 2).
- 3. The determination of the Milky Way structural parameters is crucial to calibrate Galactic and extragalactic measurements (Chapter 3).
- 4. Rigorous astrophysical simulations can temporarily remedy the lack of observational measurements (Chapter 3).
- 5. Radio wavelengths offer a unique window to observe the stellar populations in the Galactic plane (Chapter 4).
- 6. Radio campaigns are complementary to optical surveys, particularly for highly extinct regions (Chapter 2 and 4).
- 7. Stellar flares are as hard to predict as earthquakes (Chapter 5).
- 8. The best time to do research is when one's baby sleeps.
- 9. Changing your nationality is more than a decision.
- 10. Life should be taken as an optimization problem in which with limited resources and time, you attempt to maximize the legacy that you leave.
- 11. A sports fan suffers more than a player.