The 5th eBOSS-DESI France Joint Meeting

Effect of galaxy reconstruction on voids

eBOSS Collaborators: Stéphanie Escoffier, Adam Hawken, Marie-Claude Cousinou, Alice Pisani

Other Collaborators : Elena Sarpa, Carlo Schimd

5th eBOSS-DESI France Joint Meeting @ CEA - 7th May 2019

Voids as cosmological probes

- Voids in the Large Scale Structures have proven to be very multipurpose to constrain cosmology. Prime among the probed are the growth rate of structure and the Alcock-Paczynski test.
- The main source of systematic error in the latter is the redshift-space distortions.



Could be erased by the RSDs (*Nadathur et al 2019, arxiv:1904.01030*)

Is affected by the RSDs only if we consider the smaller voids (*Pisani et al 2016 , arxiv:1506.07982*) Voids in reconstructed DR12 Patchy mocks

- On-going project in collaboration with Elena Sarpa & Carlo Schimd (LAM) to test the effect of galaxy reconstruction on voids.
- DR12 Patchy mocks (North) reconstructed using the eFAM algorithm (Sarpa et al 2019, MNRAS 484, 3818)*



~ 2200 voids before reconstruction

~ 2400 voids after reconstruction

10% increase in voids statistic

DR12 Patchy – Void abundance

For the same number of galaxies, there is an increase of smaller voids in the reconstructed catalog (15 to 60 Mpc.h-1)

This effect is expected as voids previously drowned by peculiar velocities emerge again.



DR12 Patchy – Void-galaxy two point cross-correlation function



Before reconstruction : Visible distortions along the LOS

After reconstruction : Density field is well distributed around the void center and approaches sphericity

DR12 Patchy – Multipoles of the void-galaxy correlation function



Voids in reconstructed eBOSS LRG v5

We've made use of the reconstructed eBOSS LRG v5 provided by the collaboration.

Using **only** the eBOSS LRGs , we have :



30% increase in voids statistic

LRG v5 – Void abundance

We can see a slight increase of voids around 40 Mpc.h⁻¹ in the postreconstruction distribution.

But, this analysis needs to be applied on the reconstructed mock for certainty.



Courtesy of Marie-Claude Cousinou

LRG v5 – Multipoles of the correlation function

Courtesy of Marie-Claude Cousinou



Conclusion

- On-going project to investigate the properties and behavior of voids extracted from reconstructed galaxy sample on DR12 data.
- In parallel, we investigate the voids and their properties in preparation for the final DR16 analysis for both reconstructed and unreconstructed sample.
- **PRELIMINARY results** shows that :
 - Null quadrupole of the correlation function but Monopole seems unaffected by the reconstruction
 - There is a systematical increased statistic in the number of voids after reconstruction (10% for Patchy DR12, 30% for LRGv5)
 - This increased statistic seems to correspond to small to mid sized void that were erased by the RSD's.
- The effects seem to be consistent independently of the reconstruction algorithm.

LRG v5 – Void properties distributions

