

# Testing Dark Energy Models with Large Scale Structure Observations

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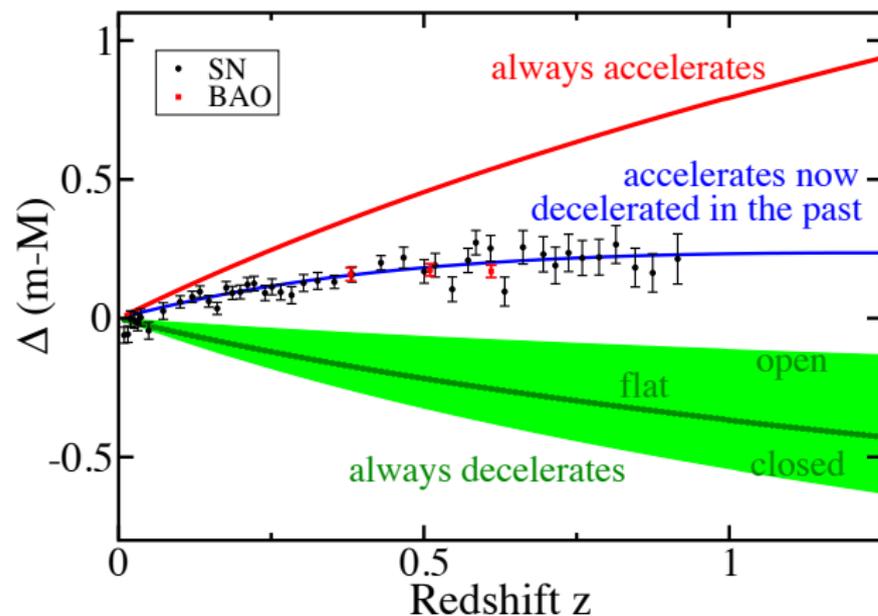
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$$m - M \propto \log d_L$$

$$\Delta(m - M) \propto \log(d_L/d_L^{\text{Milne}})$$

$$\Omega_\Lambda \simeq 0.7$$

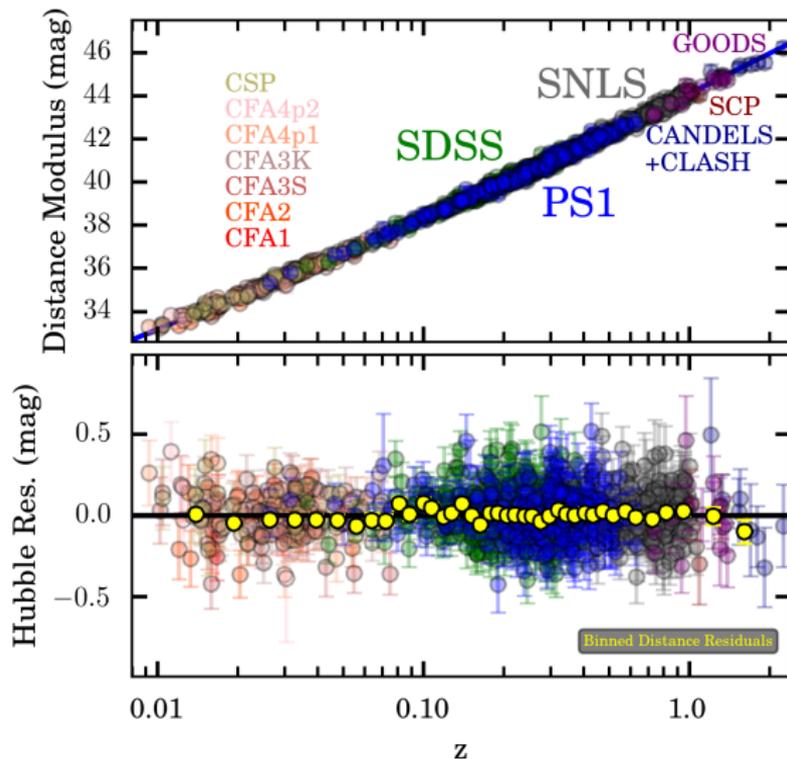
$$\Omega_m \simeq 0.3$$

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Compilation by Huterer & Shafer '17.

Binned from 870 SNe Ia (black) and 3 BAO points (from BOSS DR12, red).

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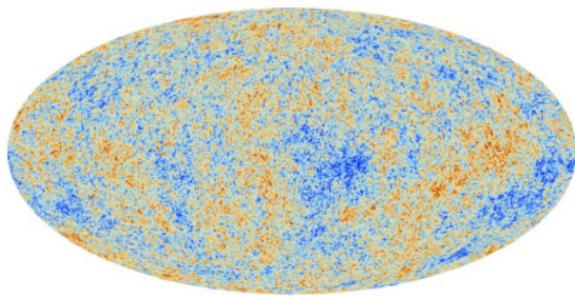


Pantheon Compilation 1048 SNe Ia (Scolnic et al. 2018).

- The expansion rate of the Universe is compatible with a cosmological constant –  $\Lambda$ CDM.
- This model has two basic theoretical problems: 'fine tuning' and 'coincidence' :  $\rho_\Lambda \simeq (2.5 \times 10^{-2} \text{eV})^4$  and  $z_\Lambda \simeq 0.3$ .
- Other models, e.g. scalar field dark energy (quintessence, k-essence, modified gravity etc.) may lead to indistinguishable background evolution.
- At the last scattering redshift DE was most probably irrelevant. Therefore it enters CMB anisotropies mainly via the background evolution, i.e. the distance to the last scattering surface (see [Vonlanthen et al. \[arXiv:1003.0810\]](#)).
- In this talk I shall show how with the help of **matter clustering observations**, we can test different dark energy models beyond their expansion law.

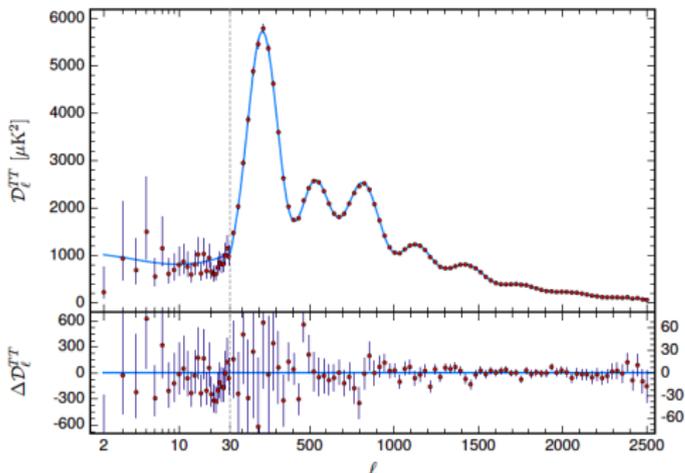
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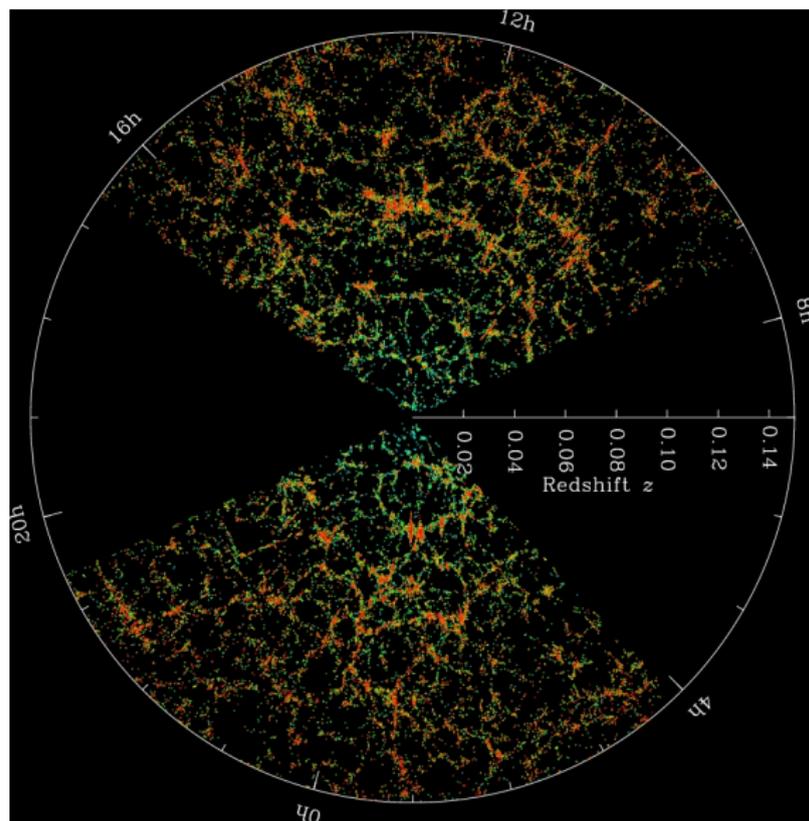
CMB sky as seen by Planck



$$T(\mathbf{n}) = \sum a_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\mathbf{n})$$
$$\langle a_{\ell m} a_{\ell' m'}^* \rangle = \delta_{\ell \ell'} \delta_{m m'} C_{\ell}$$
$$D_{\ell} = \ell(\ell + 1) C_{\ell} / (2\pi)$$

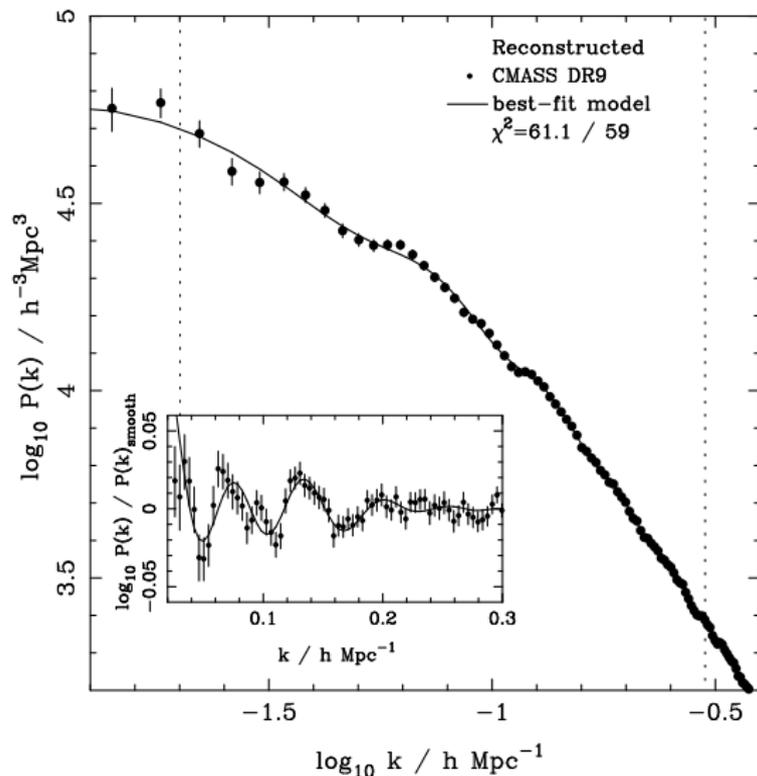
The Planck Collaboration:  
Planck results 2018





M. Blanton and the Sloan Digital Sky Survey Team.

# Galaxy power spectrum from the Sloan Digital Sky Survey (BOSS)



from [Anderson et al. '12](#)

SDSS-III (BOSS)  
power spectrum.

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biasing and redshift space  
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- But of course much more for **future surveys like DESI, Euclid, LSST, SKA and WFIRST**.

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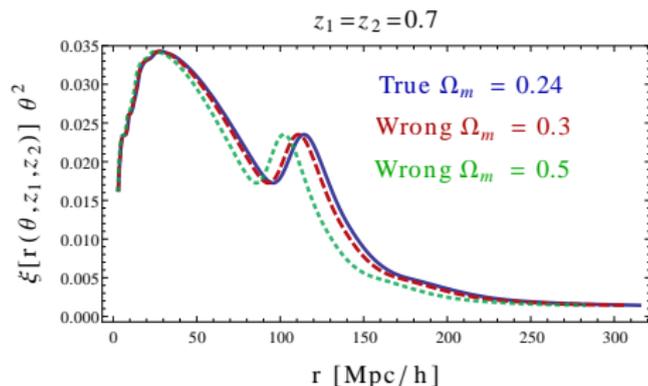
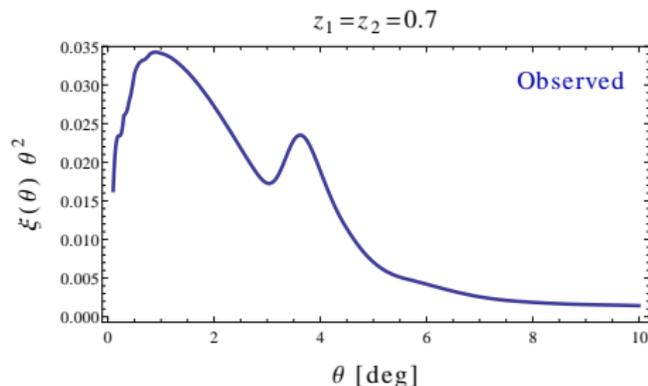
# Very large scale galaxy surveys

If we convert the **measured** correlation function  $\xi(\theta, z_1, z_2)$  to a power spectrum, we have to introduce a cosmology, to convert angles and redshifts into length scales.

$$r(z_1, z_2, \theta) \stackrel{(K=0)}{=} \sqrt{r_1^2 + r_2^2 - 2r_1 r_2 \cos \theta}.$$

$$r_i = r(z_i) = \int_0^{z_i} \frac{dz}{H(z)}$$

(Figure by F. Montanari)



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This quantity is directly measurable.

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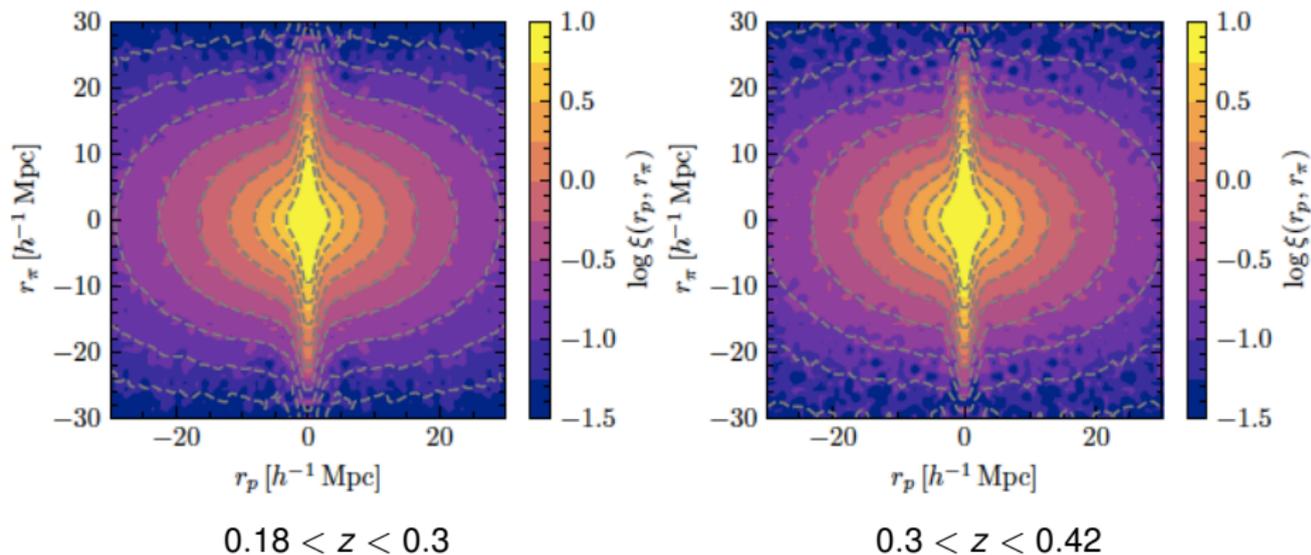
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# Redshift space distortions in the BOSS survey

(from [Lange et al. '21](#))



# The angular power spectrum of galaxy density fluctuations

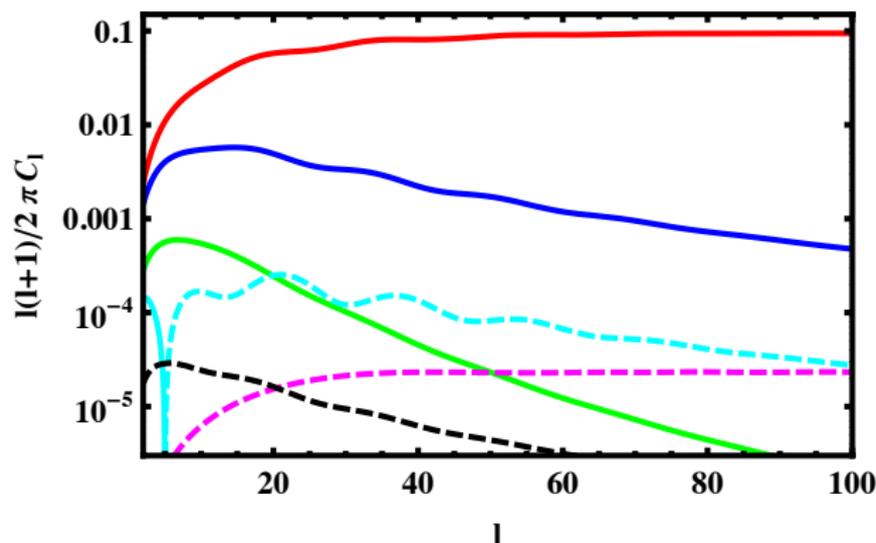
For fixed  $z$ , we can expand  $\Delta(\mathbf{n}, z)$  in spherical harmonics,

$$\Delta(\mathbf{n}, z) = \sum_{\ell m} a_{\ell m}(z) Y_{\ell m}(\mathbf{n}), \quad C_{\ell}(z, z') = \langle a_{\ell m}(z) a_{\ell m}^*(z') \rangle.$$

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# The transversal power spectrum

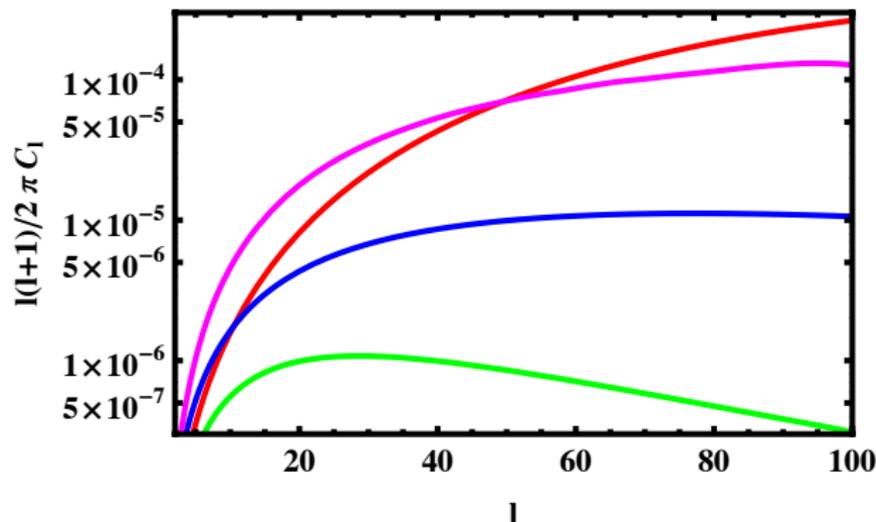
Contributions to the transverse power spectrum at redshift  $z = 0.1$ ,  $\Delta z = 0.01$   
(from [Bonvin & RD '11](#))



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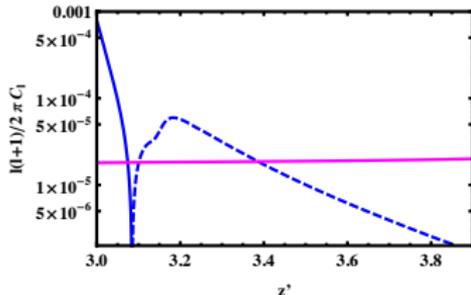
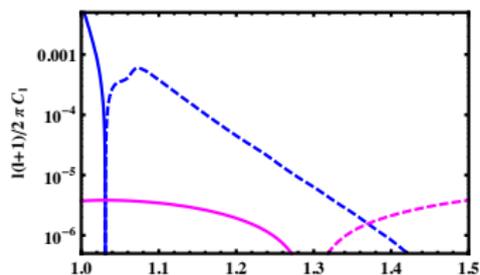
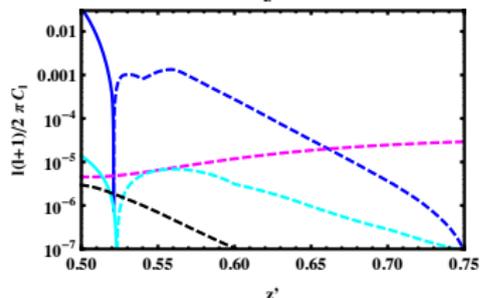
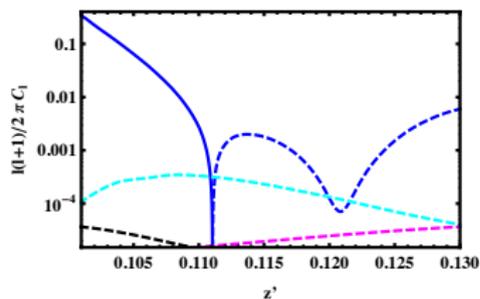
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Contributions to the transverse power spectrum at redshift  $z = 3$ ,  $\Delta z = 0.3$   
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# The radial power spectrum



The radial power spectrum  $C_\ell(z, z')$   
for  $\ell = 20$   
Left, top to bottom:  $z = 0.1, 0.5, 1$ ,  
top right:  $z = 3$

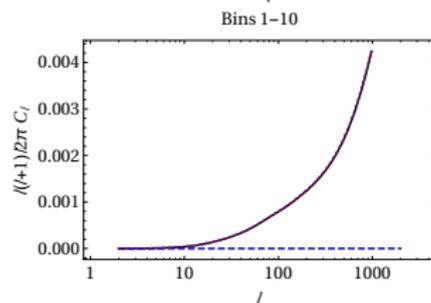
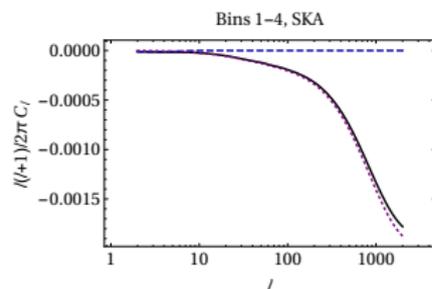
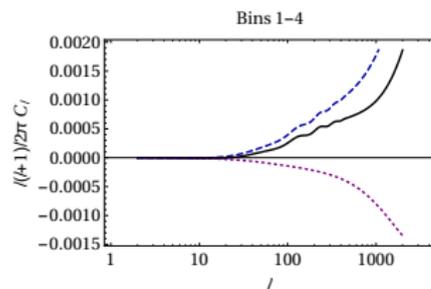
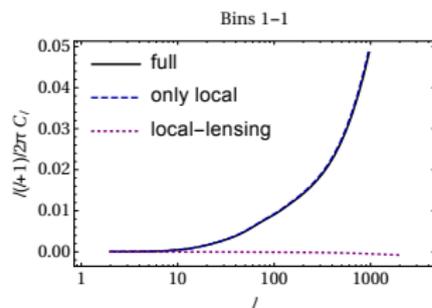
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# Measuring the lensing potential with Euclid

Well separated redshift bins measure mainly the lensing-density correlation:

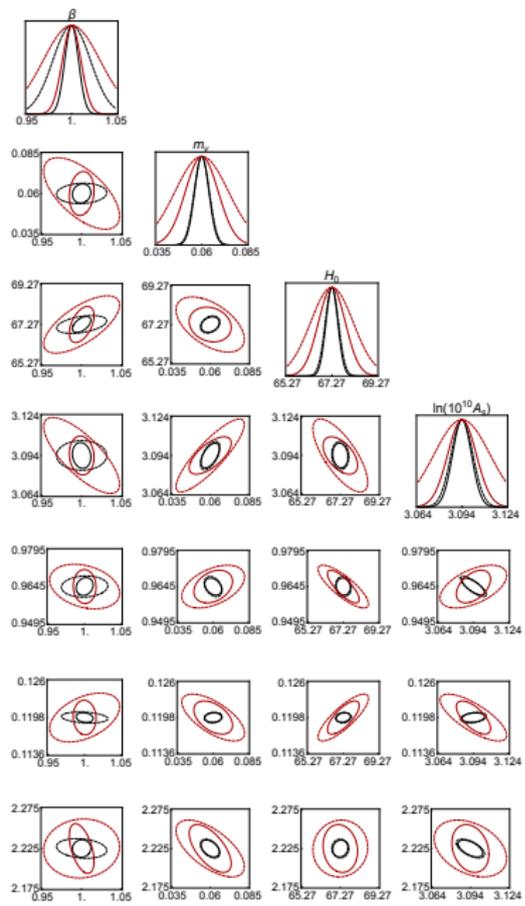
$$\langle \Delta(\mathbf{n}, z)\Delta(\mathbf{n}', z') \rangle \simeq \langle \Delta^L(\mathbf{n}, z)\delta(\mathbf{n}', z') \rangle \quad z > z'$$

$$\Delta^L(\mathbf{n}, z) = (2 - 5s(z))\kappa(\mathbf{n}, z)$$



(Montanari & RD  
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# Testing modified gravity with the lensing potential



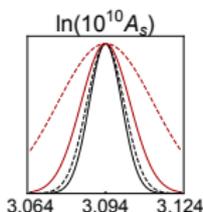
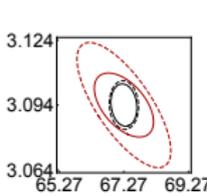
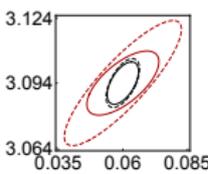
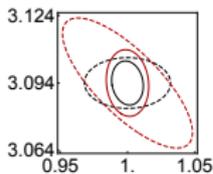
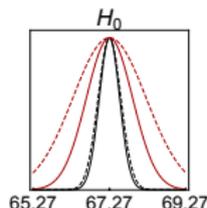
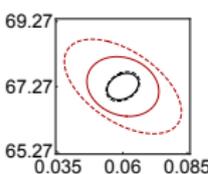
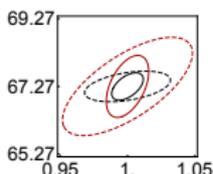
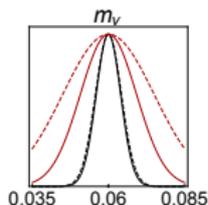
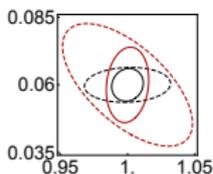
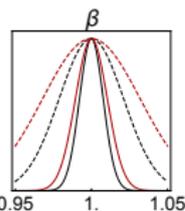
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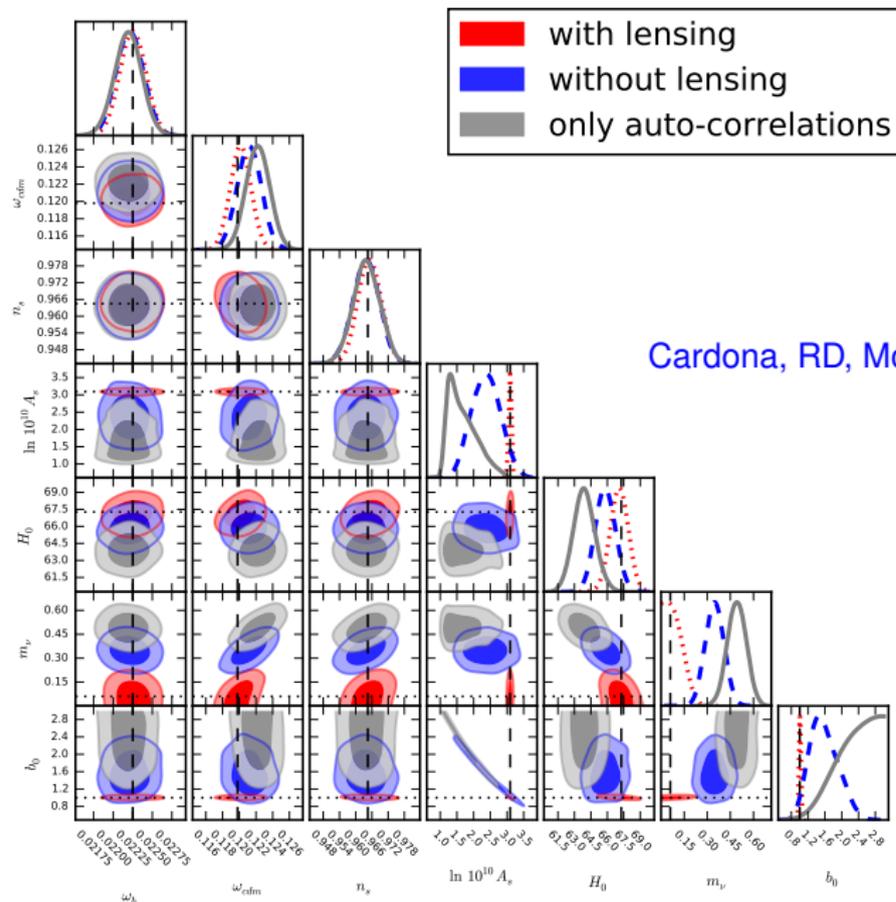
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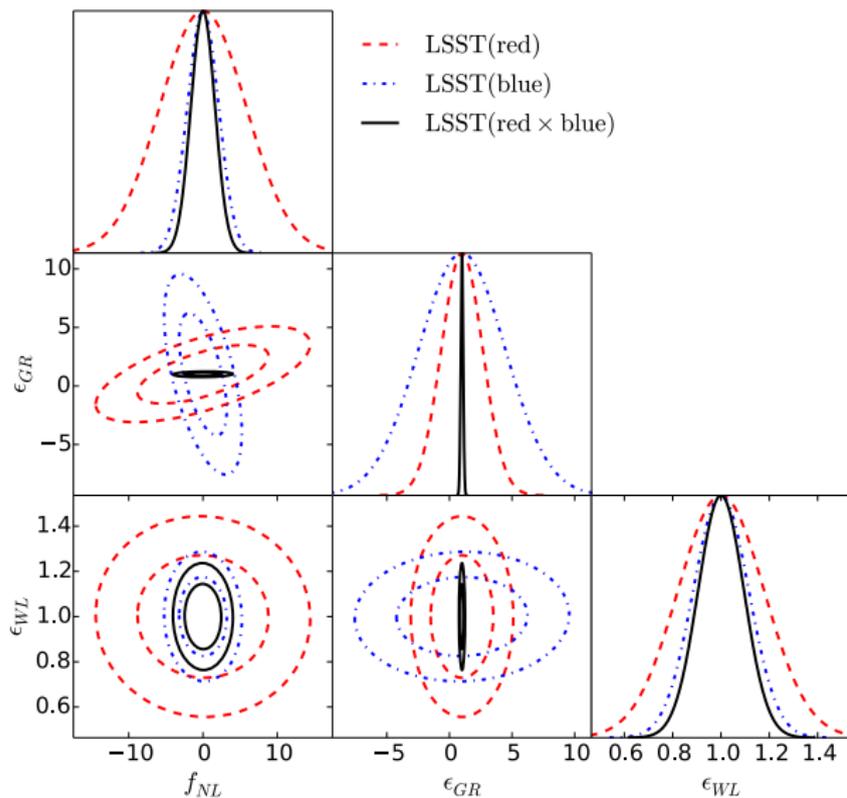
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# Neglecting the lensing potential biases cosmological parameters



# Measuring the relativistic terms via cross-correlations of the Vera Rubin Observatory LSST galaxy survey

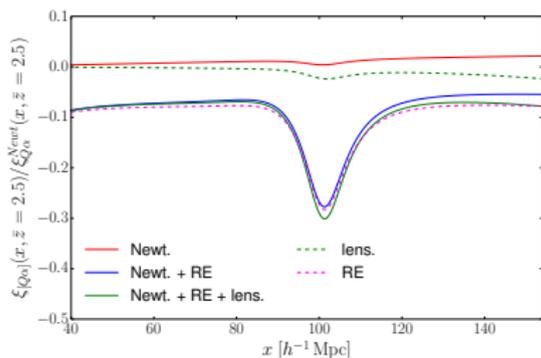
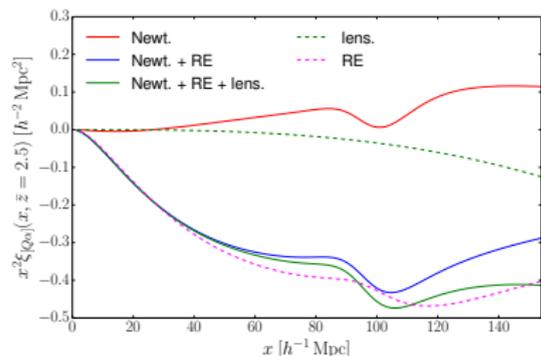
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Alonso & Ferreira  
(2015)

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# Measuring the relativistic terms with Quasar-Ly- $\alpha$ cross correlations



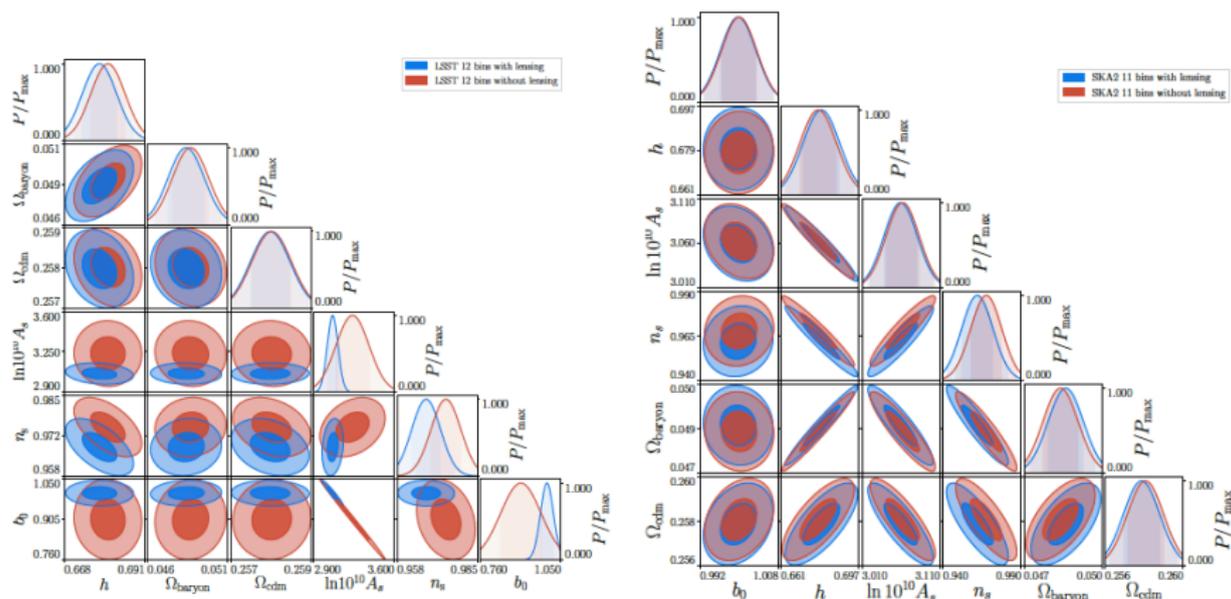
The antisymmetric part of the quasar-Ly- $\alpha$  cross correlation function. Contrary to the quasars, the Ly- $\alpha$  signal has no lensing term. The relativistic term is dominated by the Doppler contribution.

V. Iršič, E. Di Dio & M. Viel, 2016

# Measuring the growth rate of perturbations

- The **growth rate of perturbations** is very sensitive to DE.
- A cosmological constant is the only form of DE which exhibits absolutely no clustering.
- **Redshift space distortions** are most sensitive to the growth rate. hence to measure it we need good redshift resolution → a **spectroscopic survey**.
- Even though '**lensing convergence**' is not relevant for std cosmological parameter estimation with spectroscopic surveys, it does significantly affect the growth rate.

# Standard parameter estimation from Vera Rubin Observatory (LSST) and SKA2 galaxy number counts



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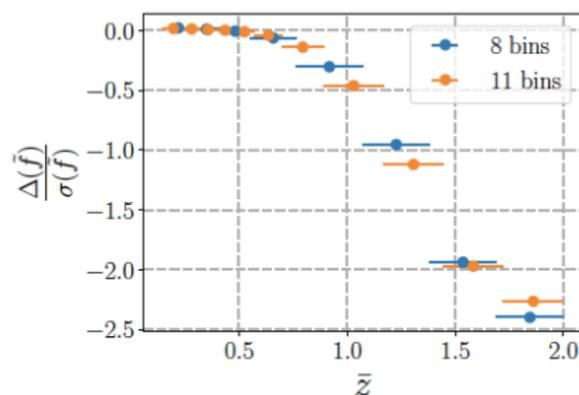
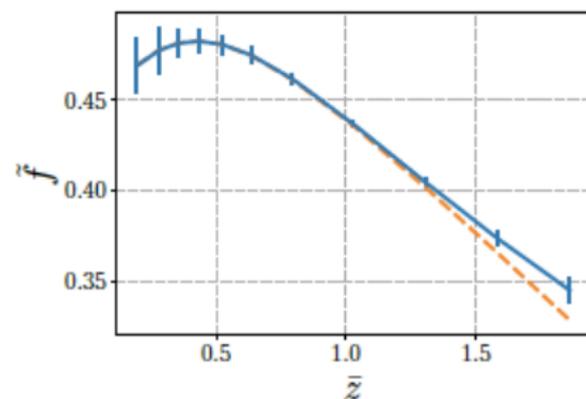
Errors on std parameters from LSST will be similar to those from SKA2  
 $h_0$ ,  $n_s$  and  $\Omega_{\text{cdm}}$  will even be better determined with LSST than with SKA2 !

# Growth rate estimation from SKA2 galaxy number counts

The growth rate is best estimated with RSD. However, in the k-power spectrum lensing is not easily included.

We used the correlation function to estimate the growth rate with the public code 'COFFE' (<https://github.com/JCGoran/coffe>, Tansella, Jelic-Cizmek, Bonvin, RD, 2018). Including lensing, SKA2 will be able to determine it at the few % level (2 - 3% in a Fisher analysis).

$$\tilde{f}(z) = f(z)\sigma_8(z) \text{ (no lensing / with lensing)}$$



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# Comparing DESI, LSST and SKA2

(The bias is marginalized over.)

