

Estimating the covariance of cosmological observables : prospects and challenges for future redshift surveys.

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Motivation

The example of the cosmic microwave background (CMB):

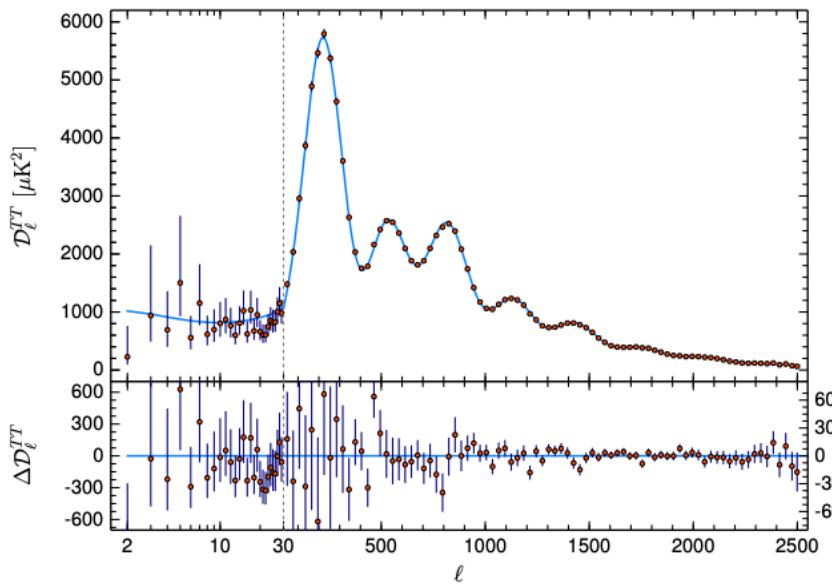
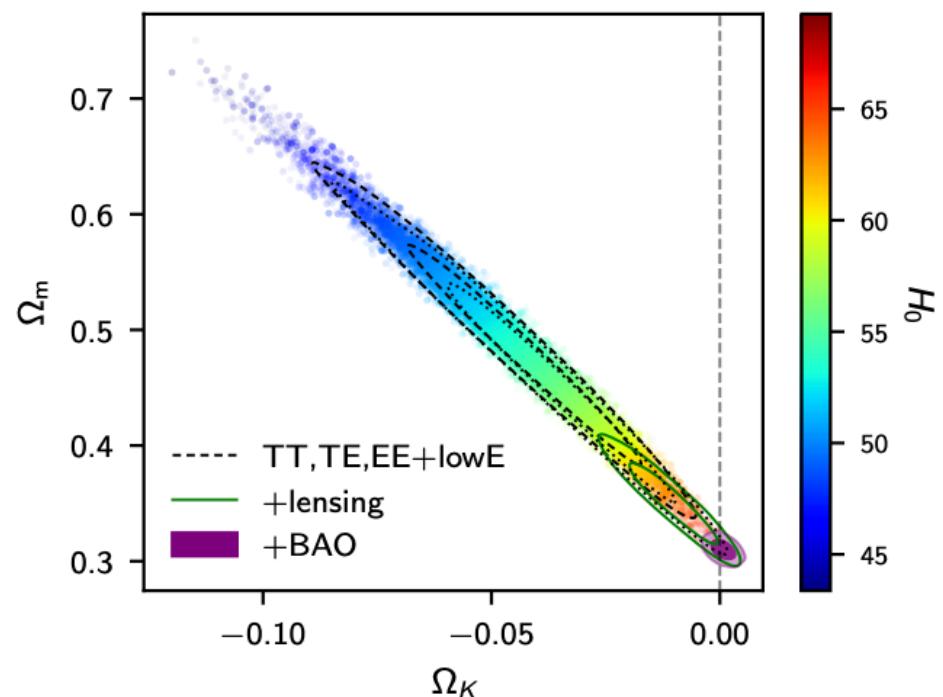


Fig. 1. *Planck 2018 temperature power spectrum.* At multipoles $\ell \geq 30$ we show the frequency-coadded temperature computed from the Plik cross-half-mission likelihood, with foreground and other nuisance parameters fixed to a best fit the base- ΛCDM cosmology. In the multipole range $2 \leq \ell \leq 29$, we plot the power spectrum estimates from the Co component-separation algorithm, computed over 86 % of the sky. The base- ΛCDM theoretical spectrum best fit to the TT,TE,EE+lowE+lensing likelihoods is plotted in light blue in the upper panel. Residuals with respect to this model are the lower panel. The error bars show $\pm 1\sigma$ diagonal uncertainties, including cosmic variance (approximated as Gaussian, including uncertainties in the foreground model at $\ell \geq 30$). Note that the vertical scale changes at $\ell = 30$, where the horizontal axis switches from logarithmic to linear.



Planck (2018)

Motivation

Problem: Combination of LSS probes

e.g. galaxy-galaxy lensing and redshift space galaxy clustering

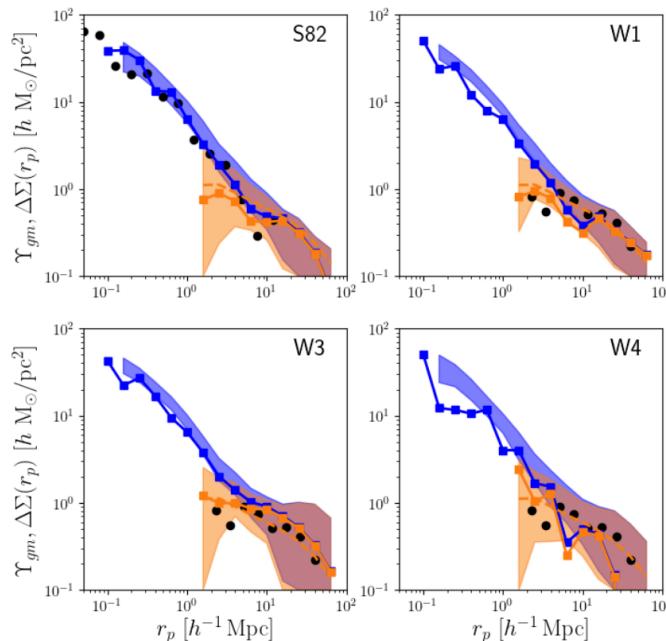


Fig. 9. Filtered Υ_{gm} and non-filtered $\Delta\Sigma$ GGL measurements with mocks (shaded regions), $\Delta\Sigma$ and Υ data (blue and cyan points respectively), and theory with a linear bias parameter $b_1 = 1.8$ (dashed line). Black dots in S82 panel represent $\Delta\Sigma$ measurements from L16, and Υ_{gm} measurements from Alam et al. (2016) in CFHTLS panels.

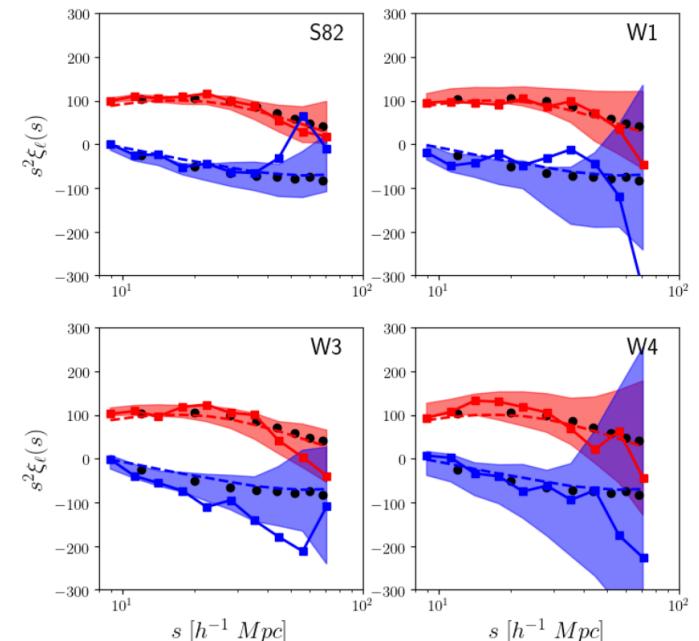


Fig. 8. Monopole (red) and quadrupole (blue) measurements with mock catalogs (shaded region), real data (solid lines) and theoretical predictions with a linear bias parameter $b_1 = 1.8$ (dashed lines). Black dots represent pre-reconstruction measurements with the full DR12v5 CMASS sample from Cuesta et al. (2016).

Motivation

From measurements to cosmological constraints :

Be $\vec{\theta}$ a vector containing parameters of a model

Be \vec{x} an observable

$L(\vec{x} | \vec{\theta})$ likelihood

$P(\vec{\theta} | \vec{x})$? posterior

$$P(\vec{\theta} | \vec{x}) = \frac{L(\vec{x} | \vec{\theta}) P(\vec{\theta})}{P(\vec{x})}$$

prior

Motivation

Usual hypothesis: The likelihood is Gaussian

$$L(\vec{x} | \vec{\theta}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{k}{2}} \sqrt{|G|}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu})^T G^{-1} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}) \right\}$$

where $\vec{\mu} = \vec{\mu}(\vec{\theta})$ is the expectation value given the model

G is the covariance matrix ($K \times K$)

minimisation of

$$-2 \ln [P(\vec{\theta} | \vec{x})] = [\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}(\vec{\theta})]^T G^{-1} [\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}(\vec{\theta})] + \ln |G| - 2 \ln P(\vec{\theta}) + A$$

$\equiv \chi^2$  precision matrix

Motivation

The key ingredient is the precision matrix :

ONE SHOULD

predict the precision matrix in any cosmological model

INSTEAD

estimate the covariance matrix from sample realisations
in a given cosmological model

- 1) N-body simulations
- 2) Approximate methods
- 3) Monte Carlo realisations

$\gtrsim 1000$ realisations

Problem:

The galaxy/matter density field is a non-gaussian field

i.e. $P(\delta_1, \delta_2) \neq \frac{1}{2\pi|G|^2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\delta_1, \delta_2) G^{-1} \left(\begin{matrix} \delta_1 \\ \delta_2 \end{matrix} \right) \right\}$

where $\delta_i \equiv \frac{\rho_i}{\bar{\rho}} - 1$ (density contrast)

the 1-point PDF is also non-gaussian

use a local transform to generate non-Gaussian PDFs

Monte Carlo method

Local transform (probability conservation):

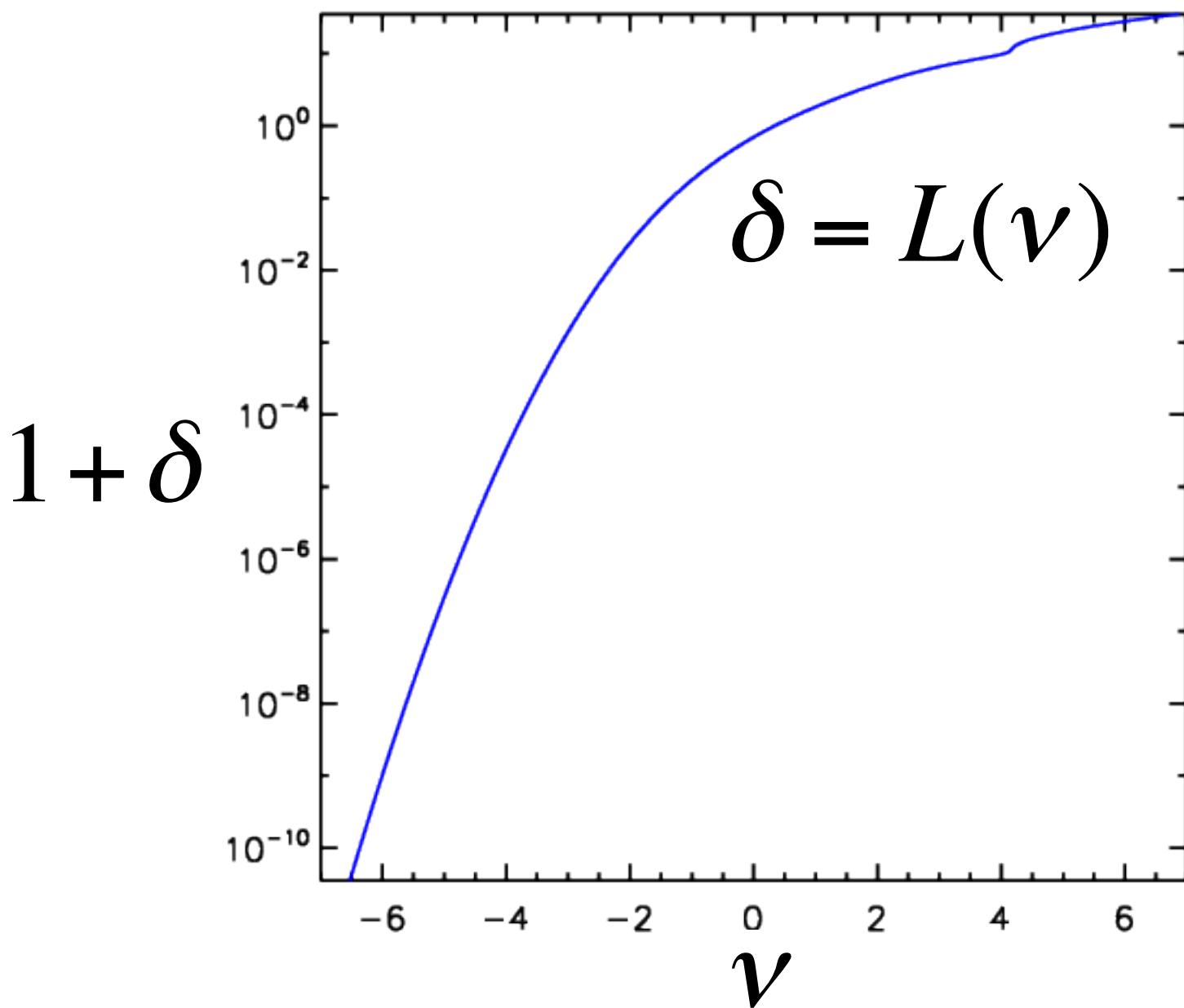
$$\int_{-1}^{\delta} P_{\Gamma}(\delta') d\delta' = \int_{-\infty}^{\nu} G(\nu') d\nu'$$

target PDF

Centred reduced Gaussian

$$\delta = L(\nu)$$

Monte Carlo method



Monte Carlo method

The Gaussian field must be specified in Fourier space through its power spectrum:

$$\vec{V}_{\vec{k}} = \vec{\alpha}_{\vec{k}} + i \vec{\beta}_{\vec{k}}$$

where $\sqrt{V[\alpha_{\vec{k}}]} = \sqrt{V[\beta_{\vec{k}}]} = \frac{P(\vec{k})}{2}$ → Power spectrum

Minimum requirement:

match the power spectrum of the non-Gaussian density field

$P_5(\vec{k})$ or $\xi_8(\vec{r})$ (2-point correlation function)

Monte Carlo method

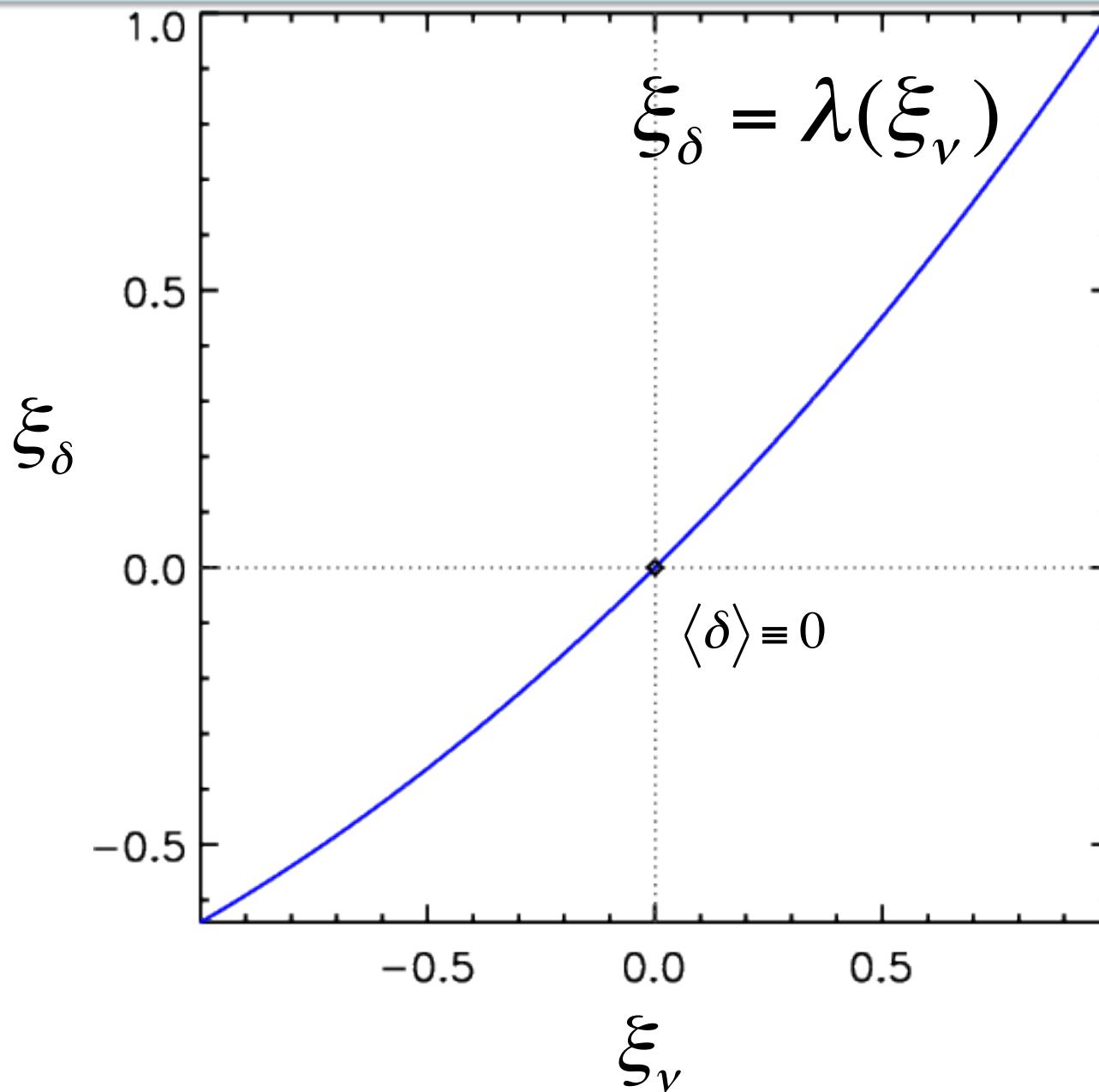
One can express the 2-point correlation as: $\xi_\delta \equiv \langle \delta_1 \delta_2 \rangle$

$$\xi_\delta = \int L(\nu_1) L(\nu_2) B(\nu_1, \nu_2, \xi_\nu) d^2 \vec{\nu}$$

$B(\nu_1, \nu_2, \xi_\nu)$: Centred reduced bivariate Gaussian

$$\xi_\delta = \lambda(\xi_\nu)$$

Monte Carlo method



Be $P(k)$ the power spectrum of the galaxy field

$$\xi_\delta(r) = 4\pi \int_0^\infty k^3 P(k) \frac{\sin(kr)}{kr} d\ln k$$

$$\xi_\nu = \lambda^{-1}(\xi_\delta)$$

$$P_\nu(k) = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty r^3 \xi_\nu(r) \frac{\sin(kr)}{kr} d\ln r$$

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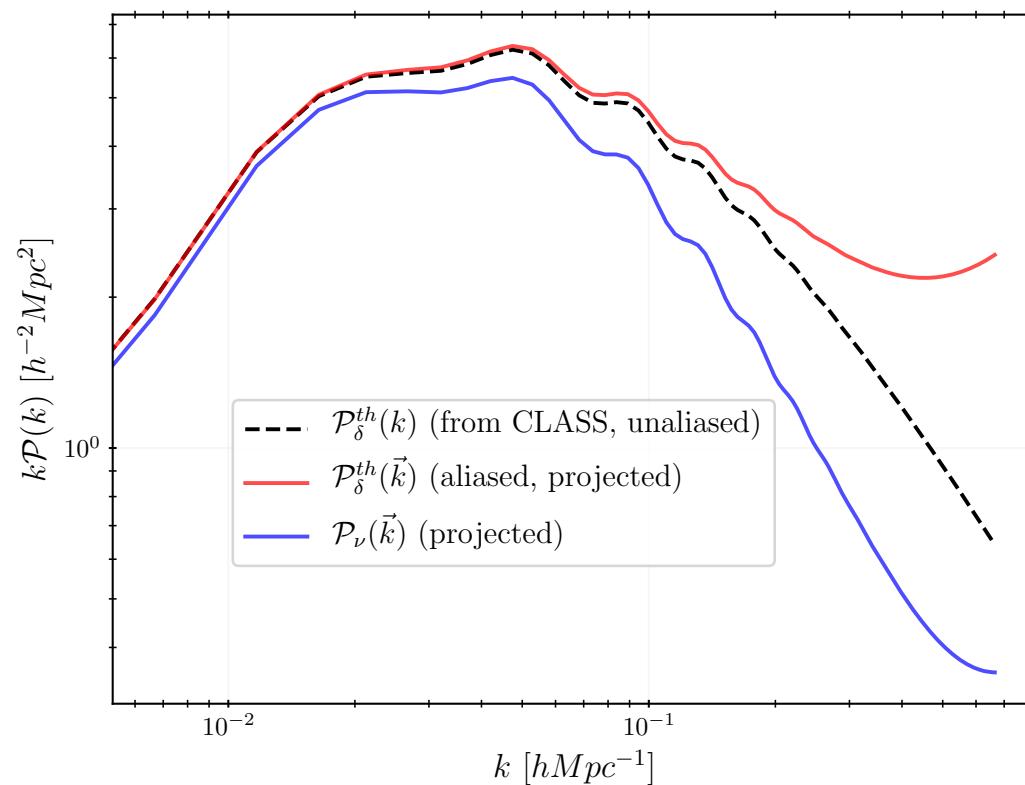
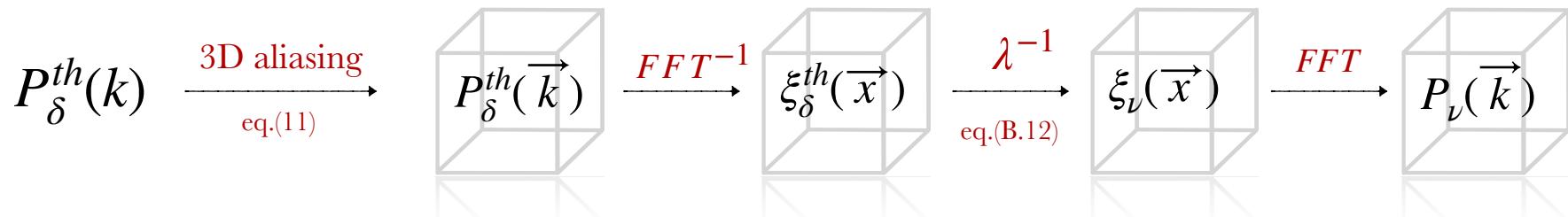
$$\xi_\nu = \lambda^{-1}(\xi_\delta)$$

Key: 3D Fourier transform and aliasing

Monte Carlo method

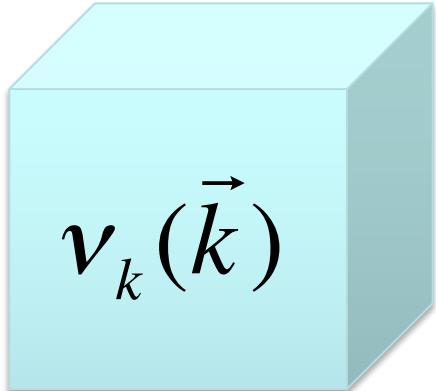
We adopted the following pipeline:

Baratta et al. (2020)



Monte Carlo method

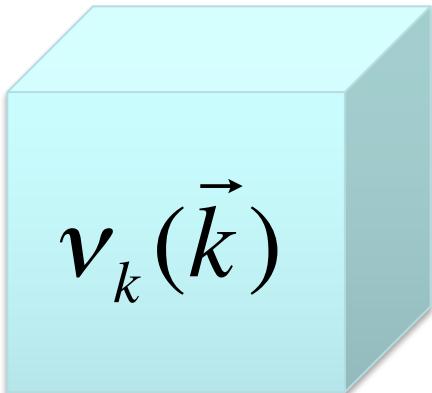
3-D mesh in Fourier space



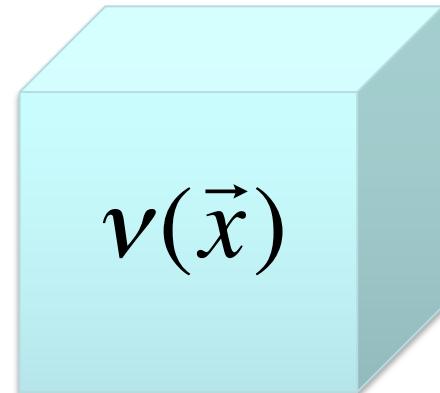
Box of size L

Monte Carlo method

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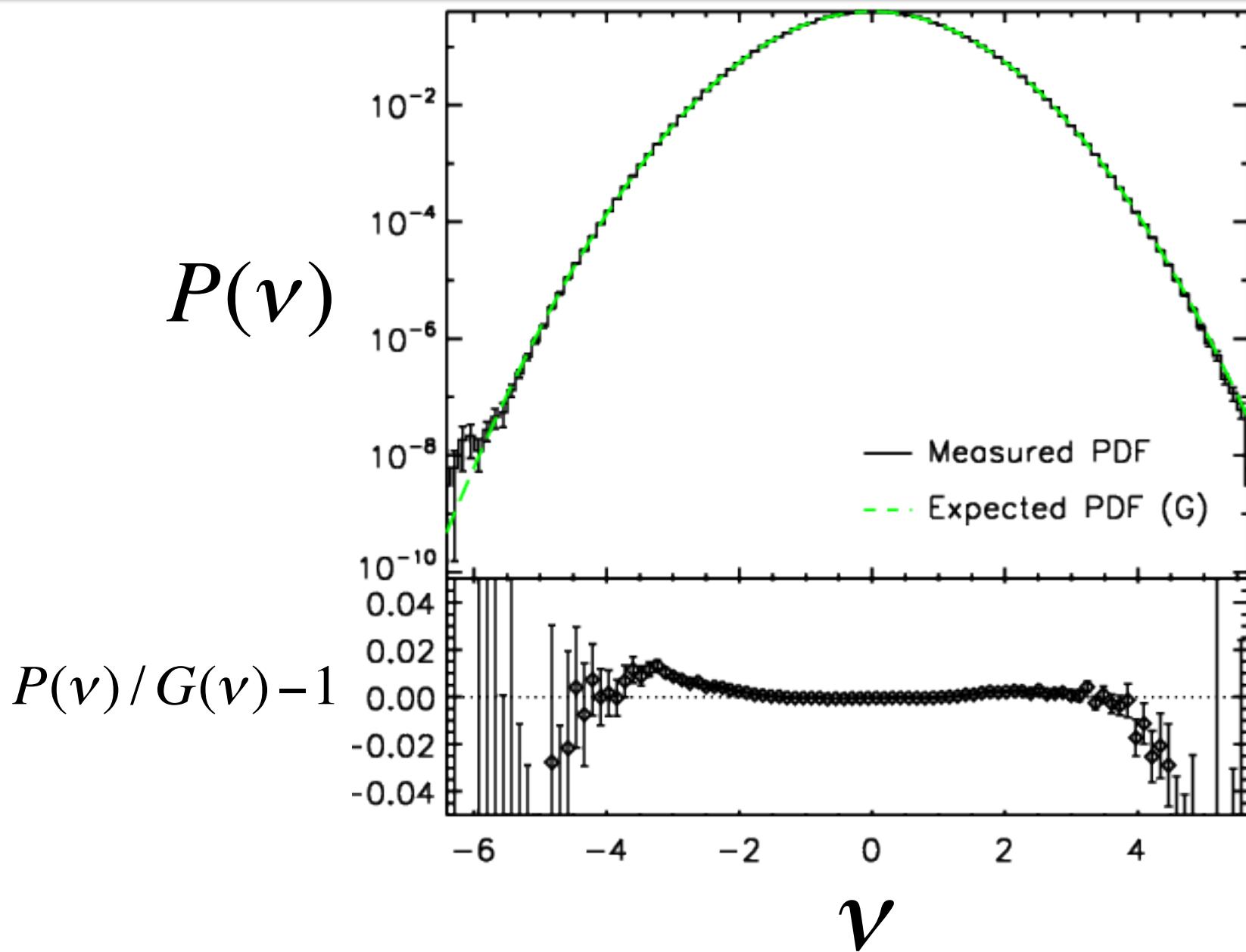
3-D mesh in real space



Backward FFT

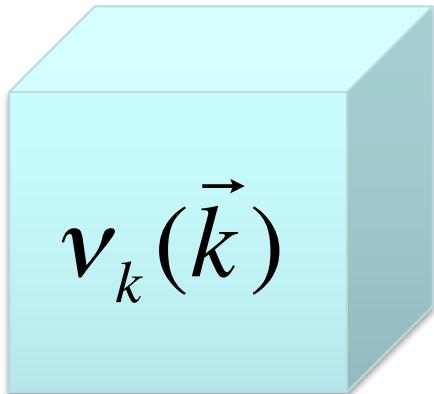
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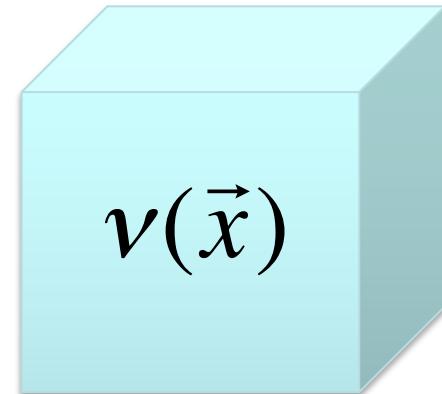


Monte Carlo method

3-D mesh in Fourier space



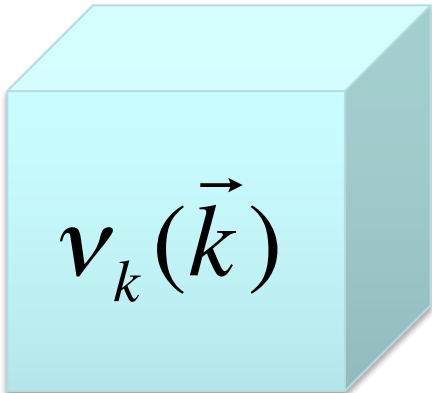
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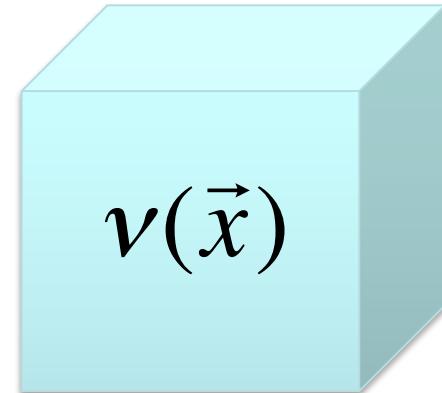
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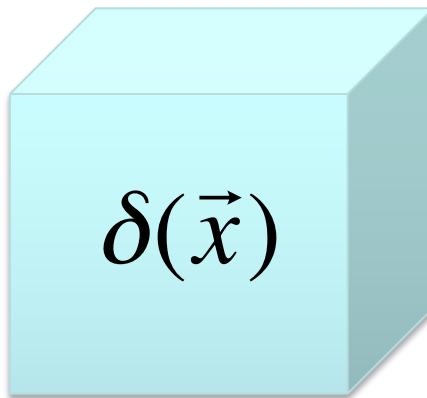
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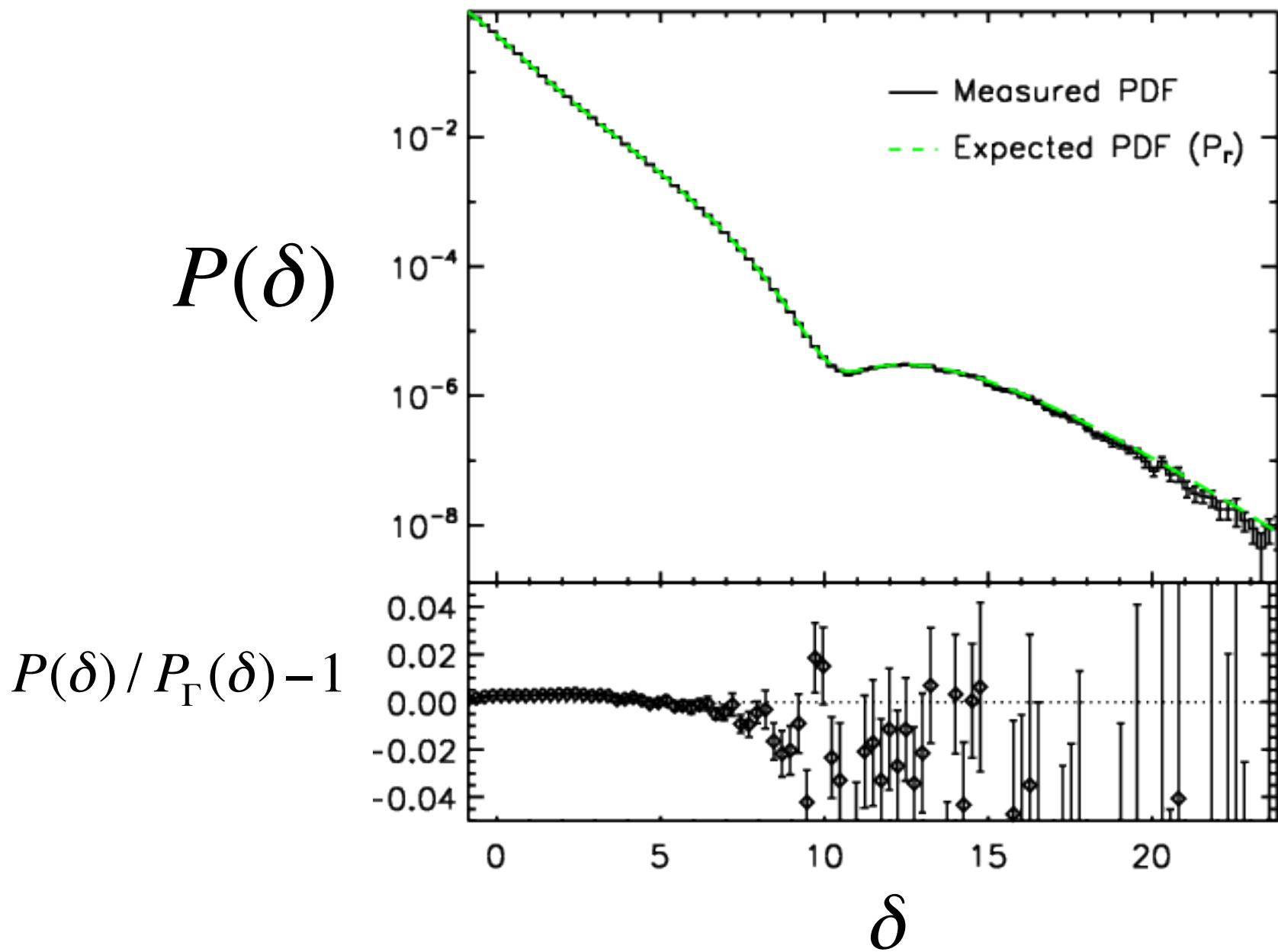
3-D galaxy density field

Box of size L



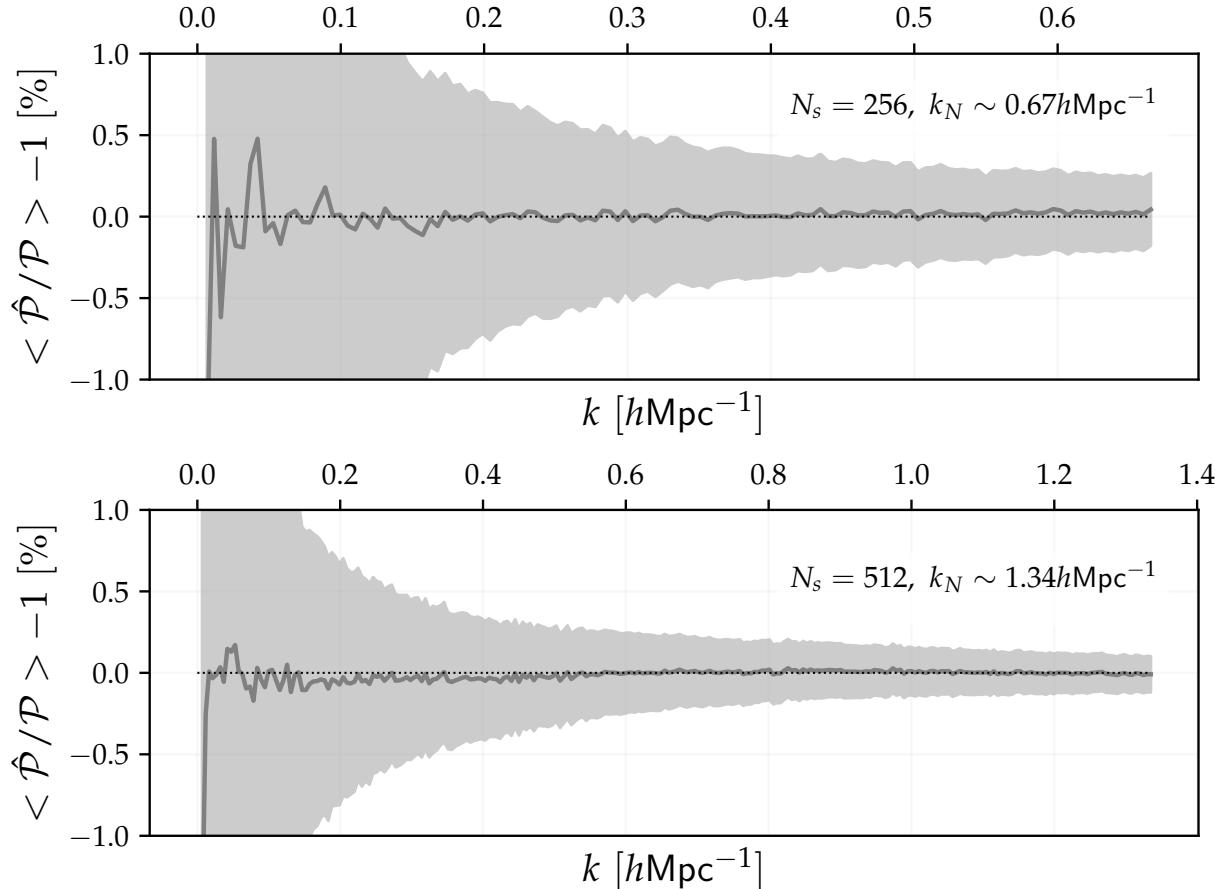
$\delta = L(\nu)$

Monte Carlo method



Monte Carlo method

with 10 000 realisations



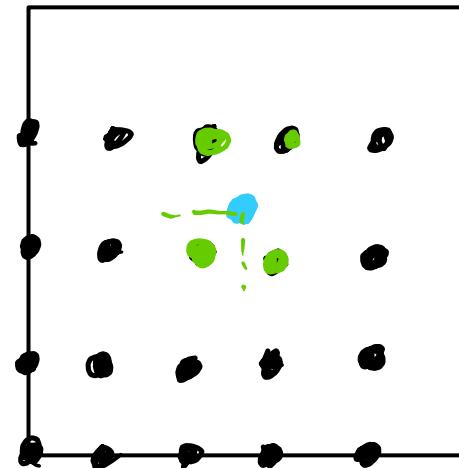
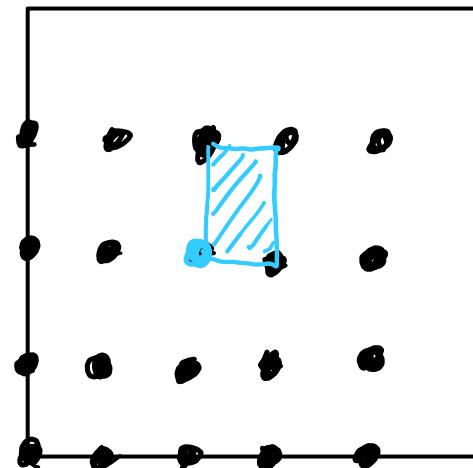
Baratta et al. (2020)

Monte Carlo method

Point process:
populate the density field with objects

Local Poisson process approximation: $P[N|\Lambda] = \frac{\Lambda^N}{N!} e^{-\Lambda}$ (Layser 1956)

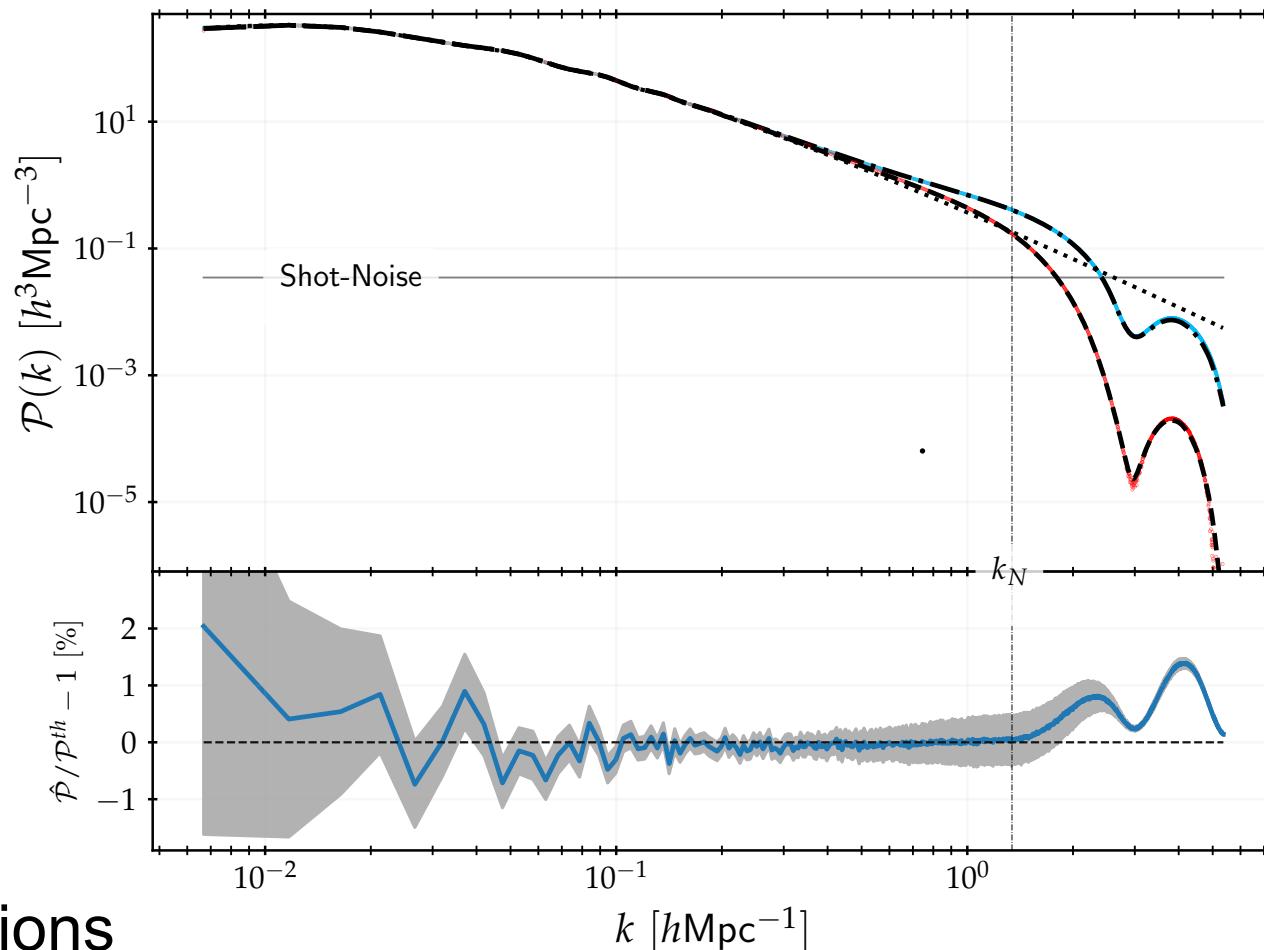
$$\Lambda = \int_{\text{Cell}} \rho(\vec{n}) d^3 \vec{n}$$



Monte Carlo method

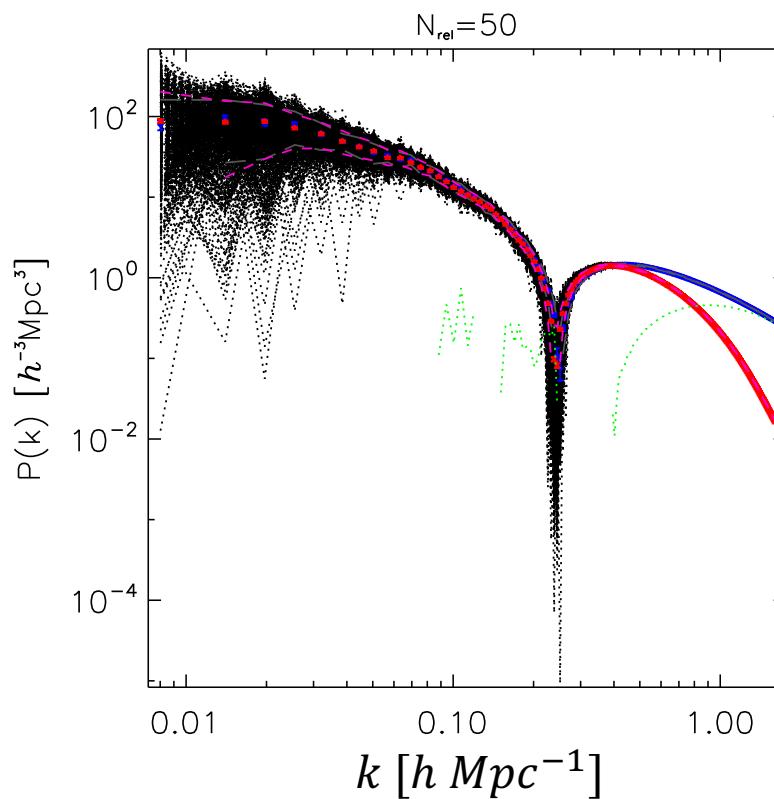
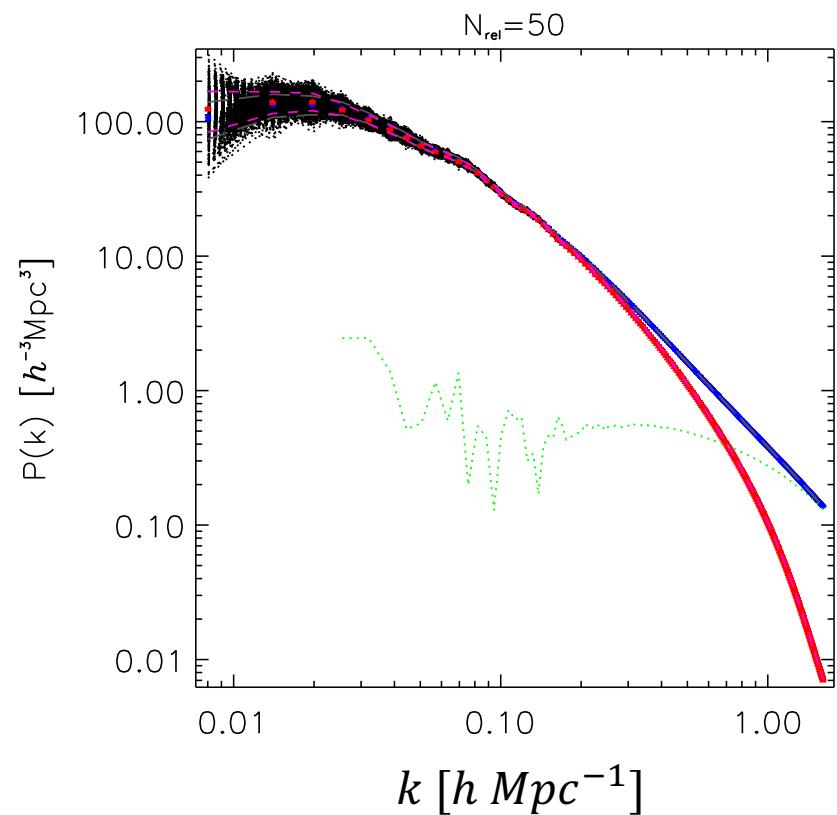
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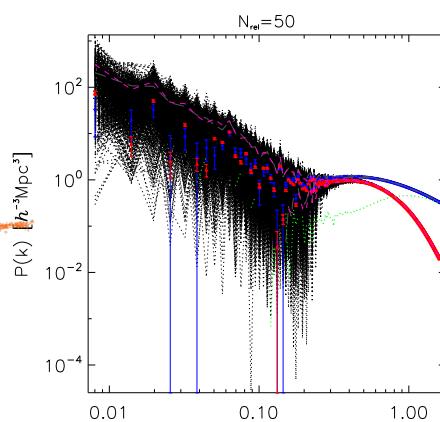
100 realisations

Redshift space power spectrum.



Preliminary

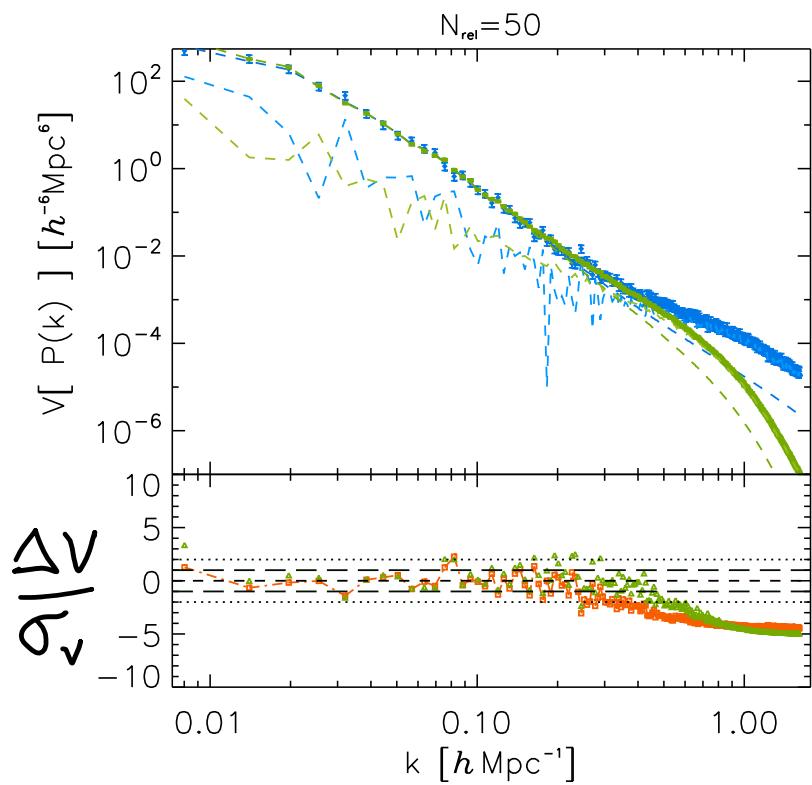
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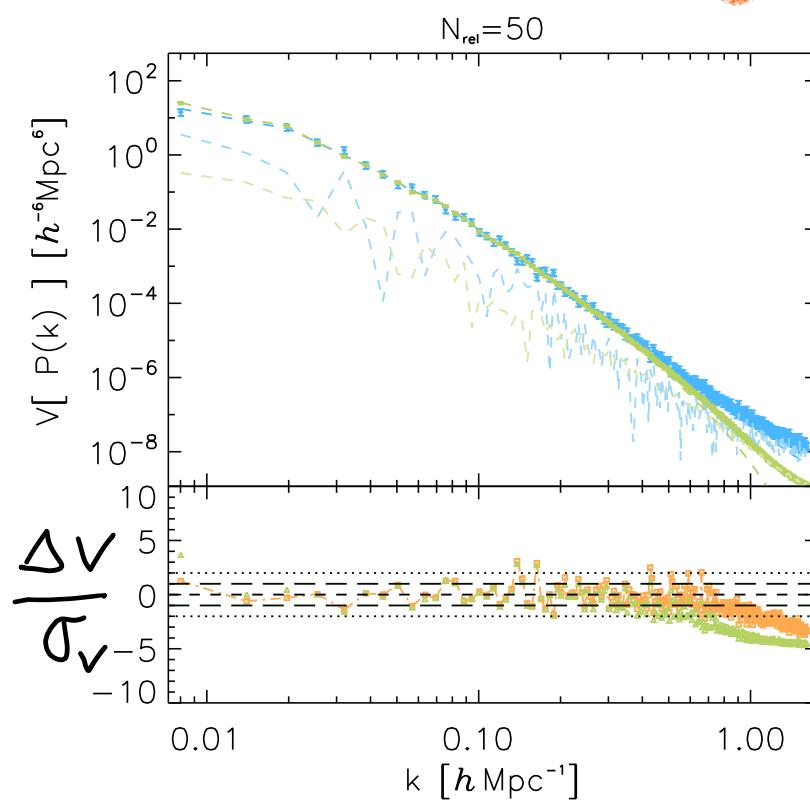
Power spectrum covariance matrix

Comparison with the DEMNUni series of 50 N-body simulations (Carbone et al. 2016).

Preliminary

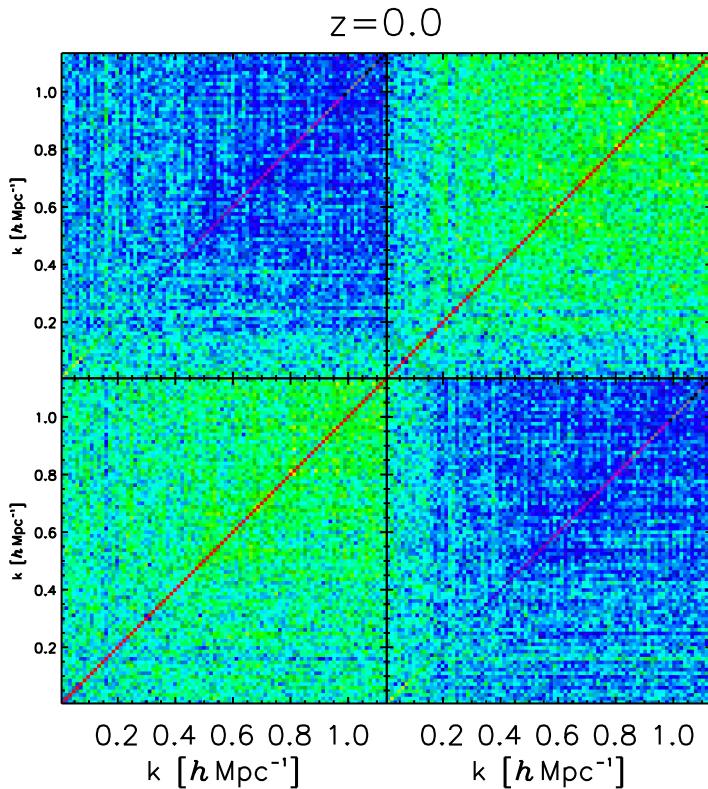


$z = 0$



$z = 2$

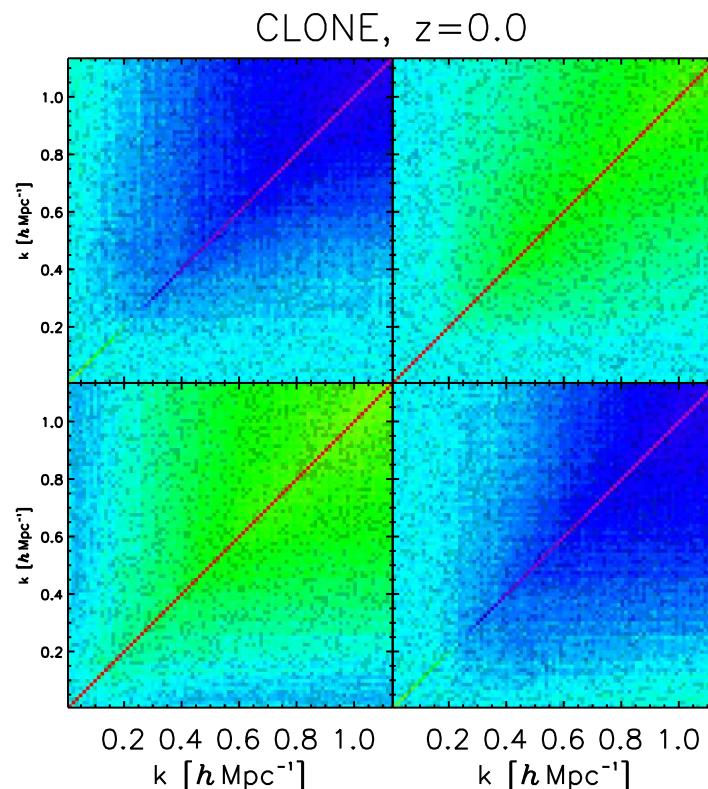
Redshift space covariance matrix



$$P_{(k)}^{(0)}$$

$$P_{(k)}^{(2)}$$

50 DEMNUni



$$P_{(k)}^{(0)}$$

$$P_{(k)}^{(2)}$$

1000 CLONES

Preliminary

In a nutshell:

- 1) The **covariance** matrix is a key ingredient to **constrain** cosmological parameters
- 2) We developed a **Monte Carlo method** to estimate the covariance matrix of **clustering** observables (*Baratta et al. 2020*) $P(k)$; $\mathcal{E}(r)$; $C_e(z, z')$
- 3) We have shown that we are able to **predict** the expected power spectrum even on scales **below Nyquist** (*Baratta et al. 2020*)
- 4) We are **comparing** the method to **N-body** simulations in real and in redshift space
- 5) We are testing how the **Gaussian hypothesis** for the likelihood could affect cosmological inferences (*Euclid Work Package*)
- 6) Extend the Monte Carlo to **spatially curved** universes
- 7) Study the **cosmological dependence** of the covariance

DEMNUni simulations (phase II)

- 8×10^6 cpu-hours on BGQ/FERMI at CINECA (PI: C. Carbone)
- 10 mixed dark matter cosmological simulations for CMB and LSS analysis in the presence of evolving dark-energy (w_0 , w_a) and massive neutrinos
- Baseline Planck cosmology
- Gadget-3 with ν -particle component (Viel et al. 2010)
- box-side size: 2 Gpc/h
- particle number: 2×2048^3 (CDM+ ν)
- CDM mass: $8 \times 10^{10} M_\odot/h$ (neutrino particle mass depends on M_ν)
- softening length: 20 kpc/h
- starting redshift: $z_{\text{in}} = 99$

$$k_{\text{nr}} = 0.018(m_\nu/1\text{eV})^{1/2}\Omega_m^{1/2}h/\text{Mpc}$$

Interest:
the full hierarchy of N-point correlation
functions can be predicted

$$\langle \delta_1 \dots \delta_N \rangle = \int L(\nu_1) \dots L(\nu_N) \mathcal{B}^{(N)}(\vec{\nu}, C_\nu) d\nu_1 \dots d\nu_N,$$

where $\mathcal{B}^{(N)}(\vec{\nu}, C) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{N/2} |C|^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \vec{\nu}^T C \vec{\nu} \right\}$

and $C_{ij} = \xi_\nu(x_i, x_j)$ $C_{ij} = \frac{P(k_i)^2}{M_{k_i}} \delta_{ij}^K + k_F^3 \bar{T}(k_i, k_j),$

$$\bar{T}(k_i, k_j) = \int_{k_i} \int_{k_j} T(\vec{k}_1, -\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, -\vec{k}_2) \frac{d^3 \vec{k}_1}{V_{k_i}} \frac{d^3 \vec{k}_2}{V_{k_j}},$$