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Field-level inferences of galaxy clustering

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Reaching an observational limit: how to optimally extract information?



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2-point statistics of galaxy clustering





Beyond 2-point statistics



How can we go beyond?



Higher-order / non-Gaussian statistics



wavelet-based peak statistics Minkowski functionals Betti numbers

How can we extract information of the full field?



Extracting the full-field statistics with **BORG**



3D large-scale structure constrained with galaxy clustering accounting for survey geometry



BORG has been successfully applied to real data



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How can we prepare for next-generation data? Full inference and / or cross-correlations peculiar velocities



gravitational potential



tidal shear



divergence





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Field-level inference of galaxy intrinsic alignment





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Field-level inference of galaxy intrinsic alignment

70,000 SDSS-III BOSS LRGs



3D tidal fields from SDSS-III BOSS 15.6 Mpc/h

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The non-linear alignment model

70,000 SDSS-III BOSS LRGs





The non-linear alignment likelihood

70,000 SDSS-III BOSS LRGs





4σ detection at 20 Mpc/h



Constant with luminosity, color and redshift

2pt: 9σ at 6 Mpc/h, smaller scales — higher redshifts: need photometry



Field-level inference from spectroscopic and photometric redshifts



- Depth / magnitude vs accuracy
- Photo-z uncertainties can bias cosmological analyses



3D dark matter density can constrain galaxy locations



$$\mathcal{P}(z_i \mid z_{\text{obs}i}, \delta) \propto \mathcal{P}(\delta \mid z_i) \mathcal{P}(z_i \mid z_{\text{obs}i})$$



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Constraining galaxy locations with clustering



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Validation on self-consistent mock data



- 2e7 photometric and 1% spectroscopic redshifts
- Power-law galaxy bias (linear), resolution 13 Mpc
- z = 0.7

mock galaxy

coordinates (observed & ground

truth)



Constrained dark matter density and peculiar velocity



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Filamentary structure thanks to the gravity model





Increase in the galaxy count cross-correlation





Information gain vs resolution / galaxy bias



Summary

- Existing 2-point estimators miss information
- Need all high-order statistics
- Galaxy intrinsic alignment
- Photometric galaxy clustering



Outlook

- We're reaching the limit of observable galaxies
- Focus on
 - fully exploiting information in the data
 - self-consistently propagating uncertainties
 - demonstrating the power of high-order statistics