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Lecture 6: Correlation functions and the spectrum of the initial fluctuations – Additional notes, 09/10/2020



Lecture 6 additional notes I

Page 4: Overdensity delta definition:

$$\Delta = \frac{\delta \rho}{\rho_0}, \quad \rho = \rho_0 [1 + \Delta(\bar{x})] = \rho_0 \left[1 + \frac{\delta \rho}{\rho_0} \right] = \rho_0 + \delta \rho$$

Page 6: Fourier transform and inverse Fourier transform:

$$\Delta(\bar{r}) = \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3} \int \Delta_{\bar{k}} e^{-i\bar{k}\cdot\bar{r}} d^3k$$

$$\Delta_{\vec{k}} = \frac{1}{V} \int \Delta(\vec{r}) e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}} d^3x$$



Lecture 6 additional notes II

Page 6: Definition and short-hand notation:

$$\langle \Delta^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{V} \int \Delta^2(\bar{r}) d^3x$$

Page 7: Basics of complex numbers: Δ*=complex conjugate

$$|\Delta(\bar{r})|^2 = |\Delta(\bar{r})\Delta^*(\bar{r})|$$

$$e^{i\bar{k}\cdot\bar{r}} = \cos(\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}) + i\sin(\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r})$$

Lecture 6 additional notes III

Page 8: Two-point correlation function integration:

$$\xi(r) = \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3} \int |\Delta_k|^2 \cos(kr\cos\theta) \frac{1}{2} \sin\theta d\theta k^2 dk$$

$$\xi(r) = \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3} \int |\Delta_k|^2 \frac{\sin kr}{kr} k^2 dk$$

Page 9: Initial Power spectrum: sin (kr) Taylor expansion

$$\sin kr \approx kr - \frac{(kr)^3}{6} + \frac{(kr)^5}{120} + \dots$$



Lecture 6 additional notes III

Page 9: Initial Power spectrum:

$$\xi(r) \propto \int_0^{k_{\text{max}}} k^{n+2} dk \propto k^{n+3}$$

$$k_{\text{max}} \approx 1/r$$
, $\xi \propto r^{-(n+3)}$, $\xi(M) \propto M^{-(n+3)/3}$

 Page 10: Relation between the density fluctuation and the 2-point correlation function:

$$\langle \Delta^2 \rangle^{1/2} \propto \xi^{1/2}$$



Lecture 6 additional notes IV

Page 11: Horizon mass in the radiation dominated era

$$M_{\rm H} \propto \rho_{\rm d}(ct)^3 \propto a^{-3}(a^2)^3 = a^3, \ a \propto M_{\rm H}^{1/3}$$

 Page 18: Bias can also be defined in terms of the σ₈ parameter, which is defined to be root-mean-square density fluctuation when smoothed with a top-hat filter of radius 8h⁻¹ Mpc.

$$b^2 = \frac{\sigma_8^2(\text{gal})}{\sigma_8^2(\text{mass})}$$