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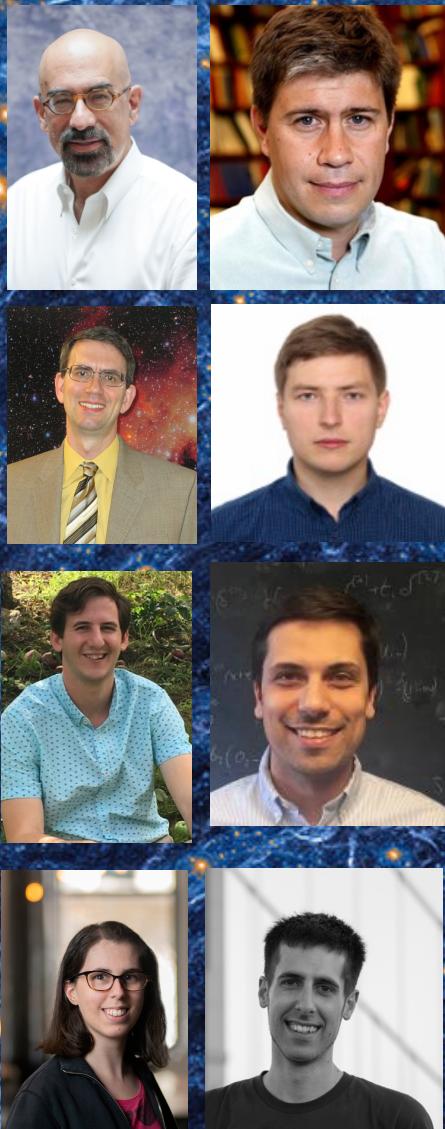


# Have We Exhausted the Galaxy Two-Point Function?

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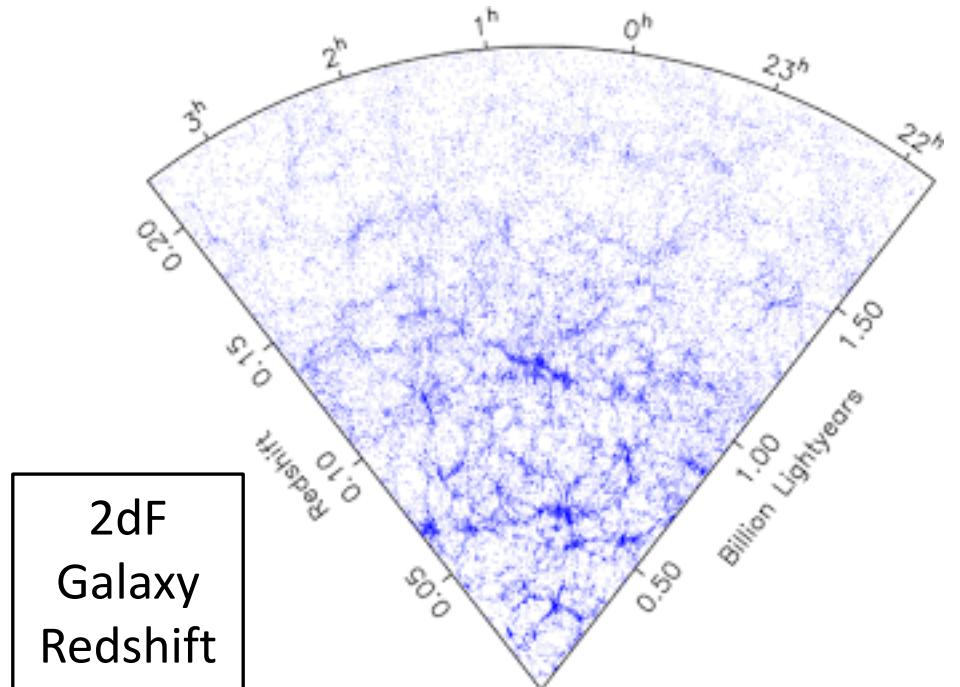


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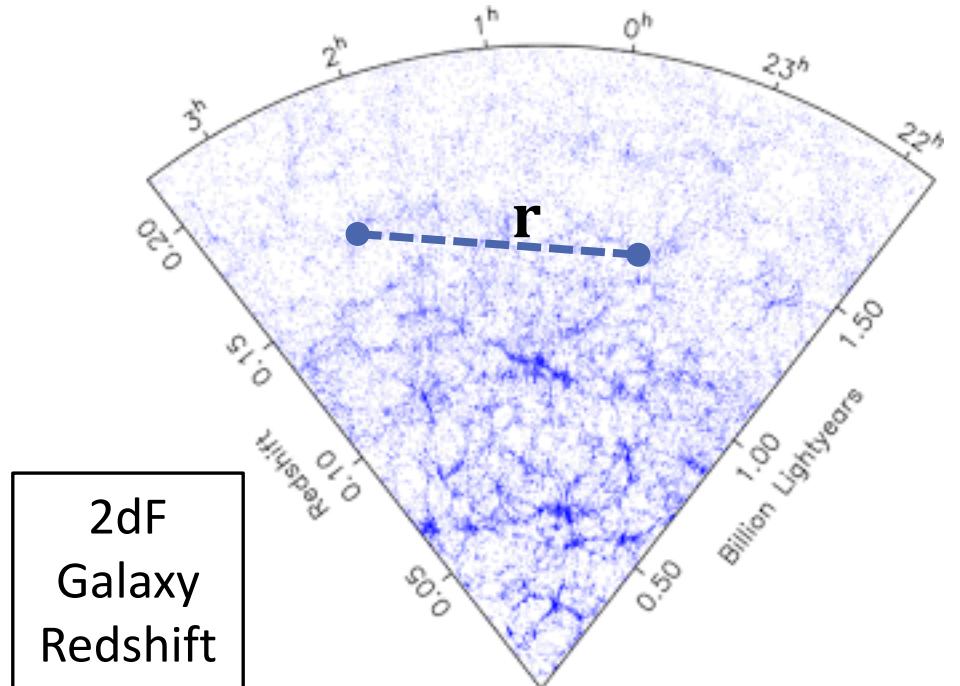
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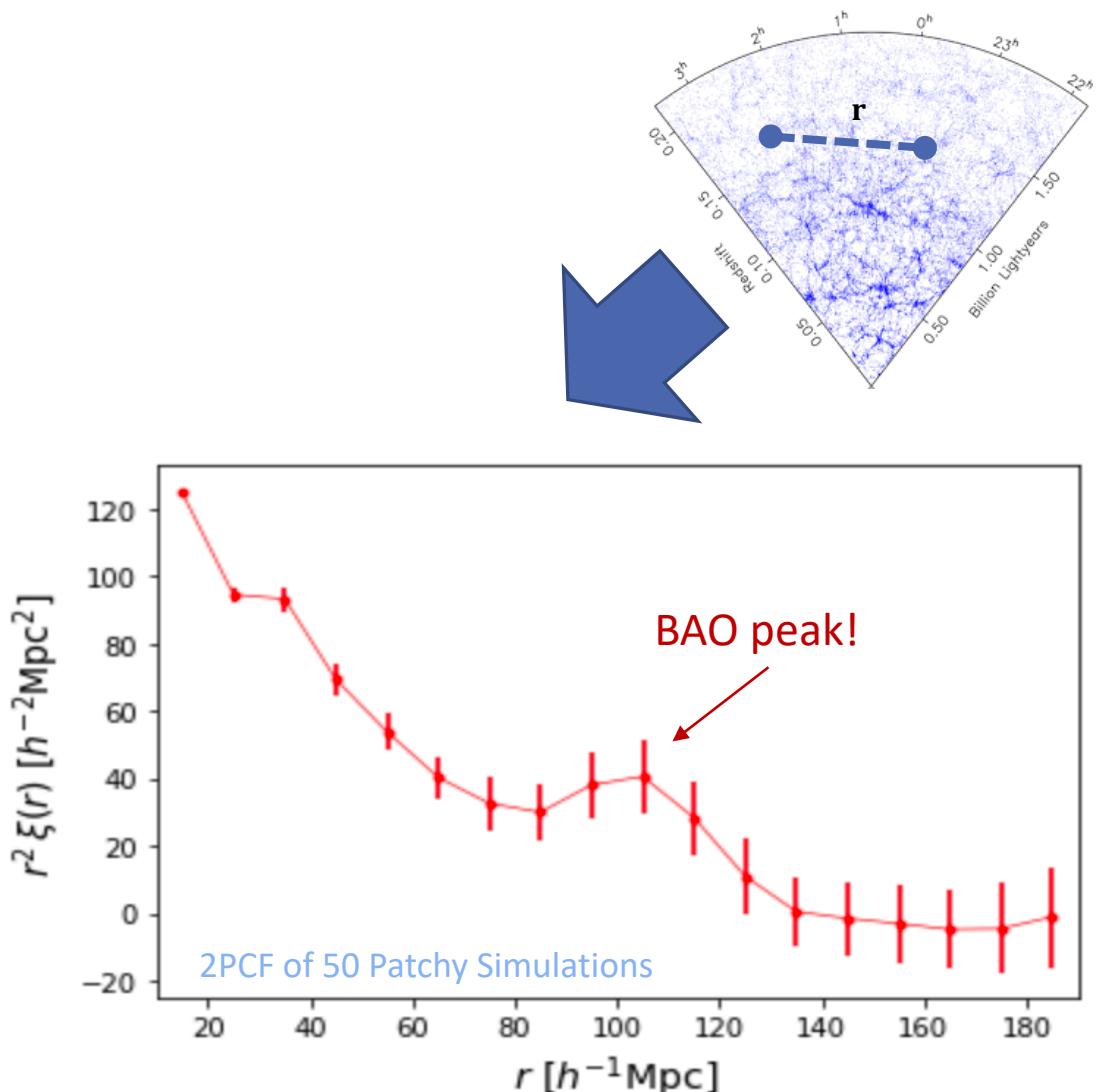
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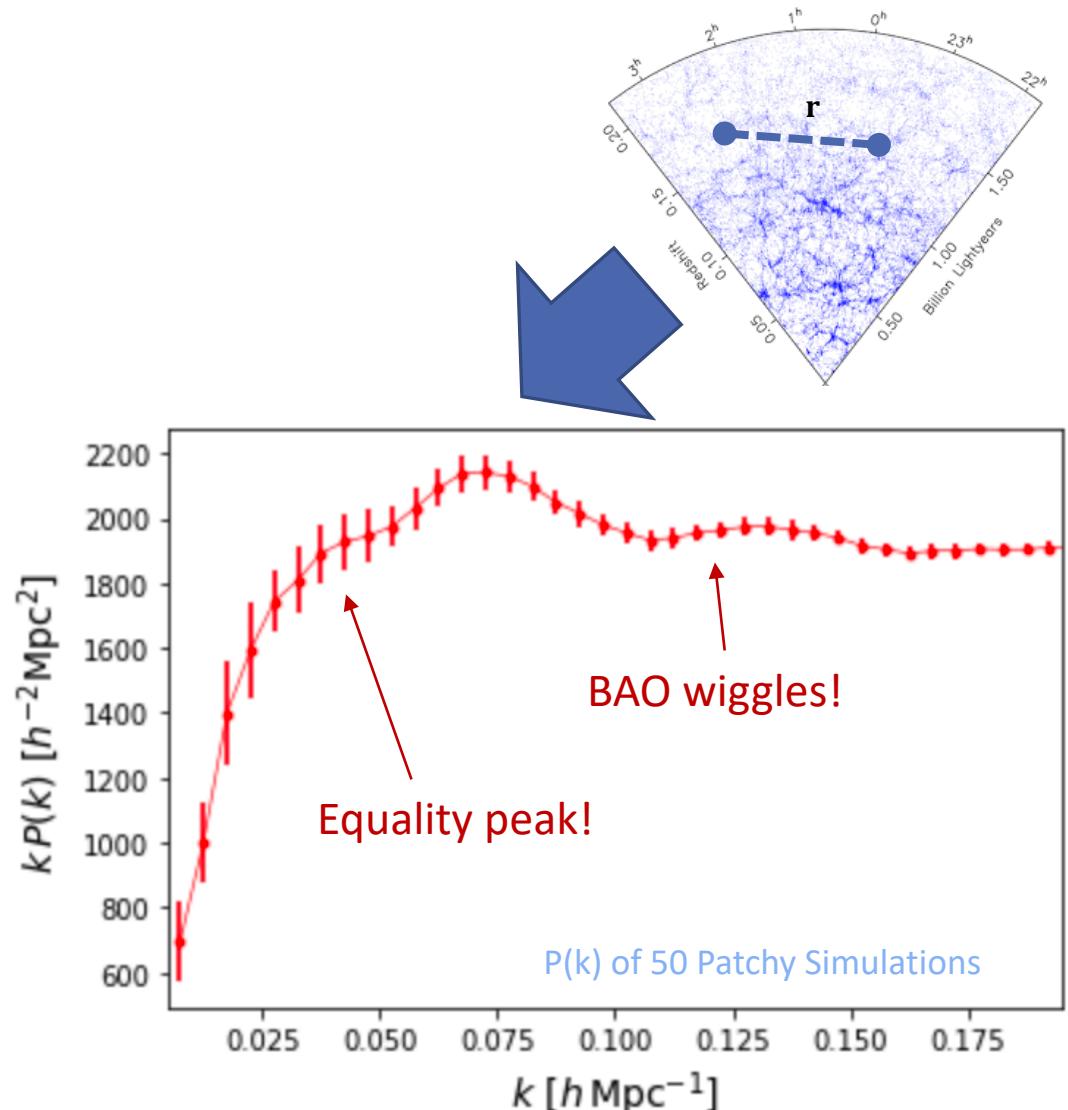
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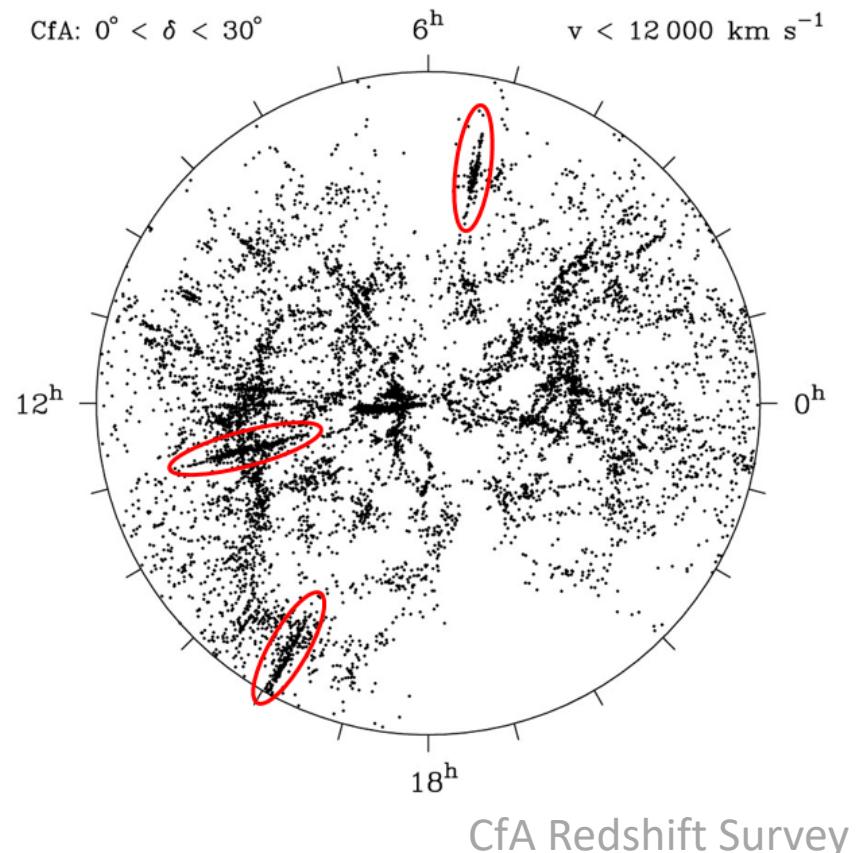
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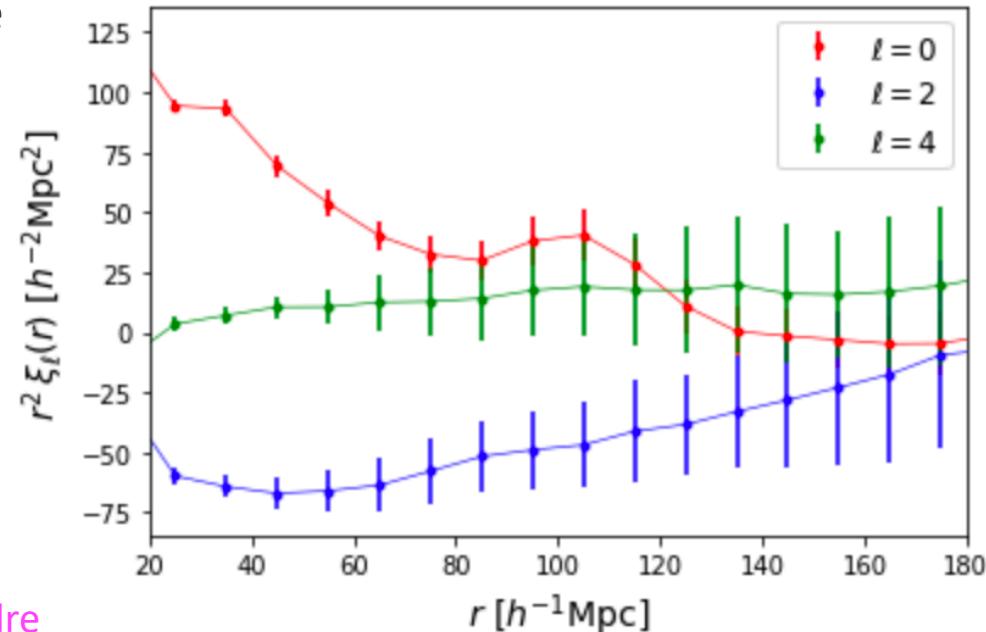
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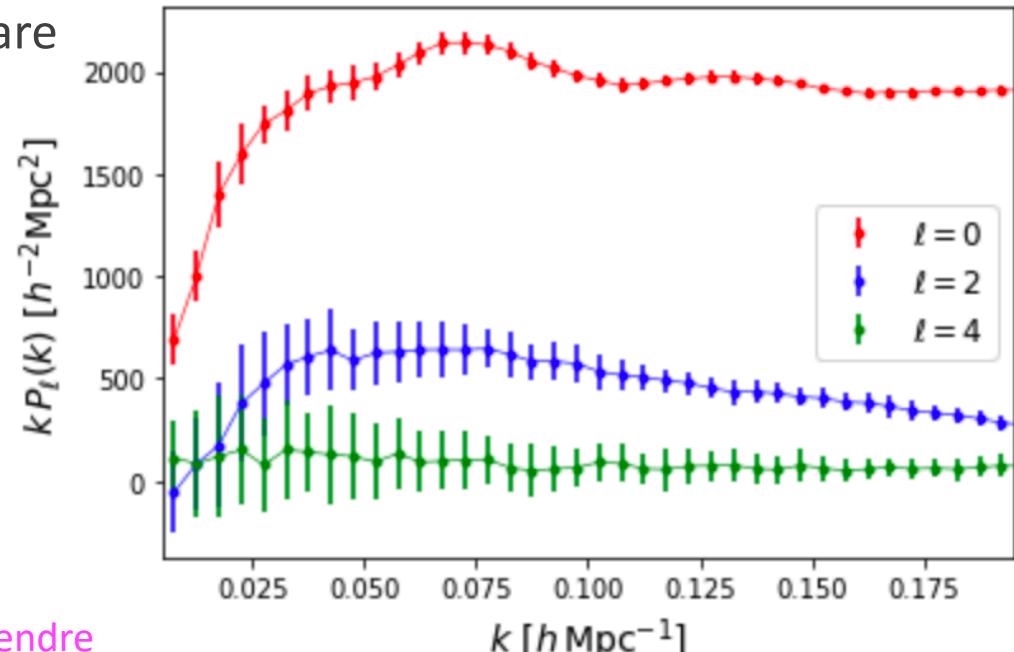
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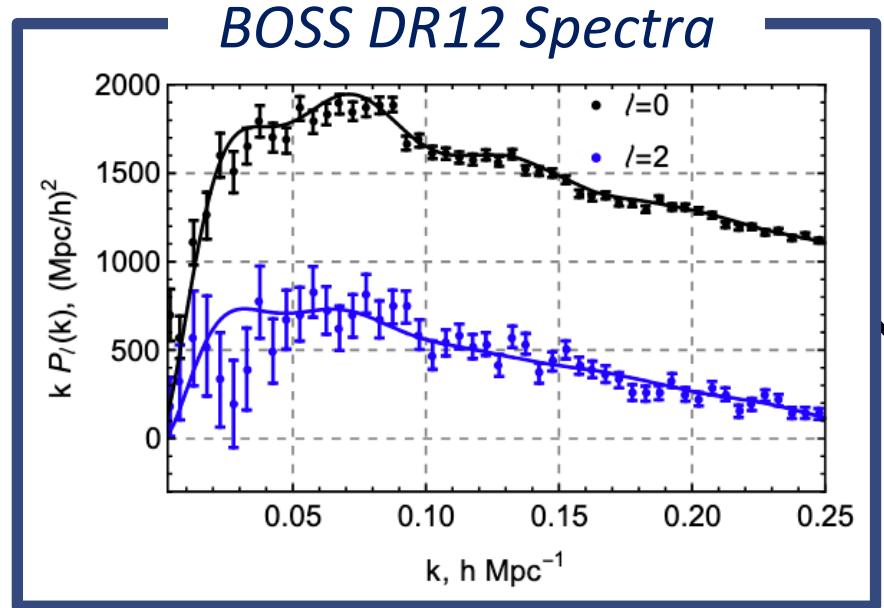
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# Parameter Inference

CMB-Strength  
Parameter Constraints,  
including 1.6% on  $H_0$ !



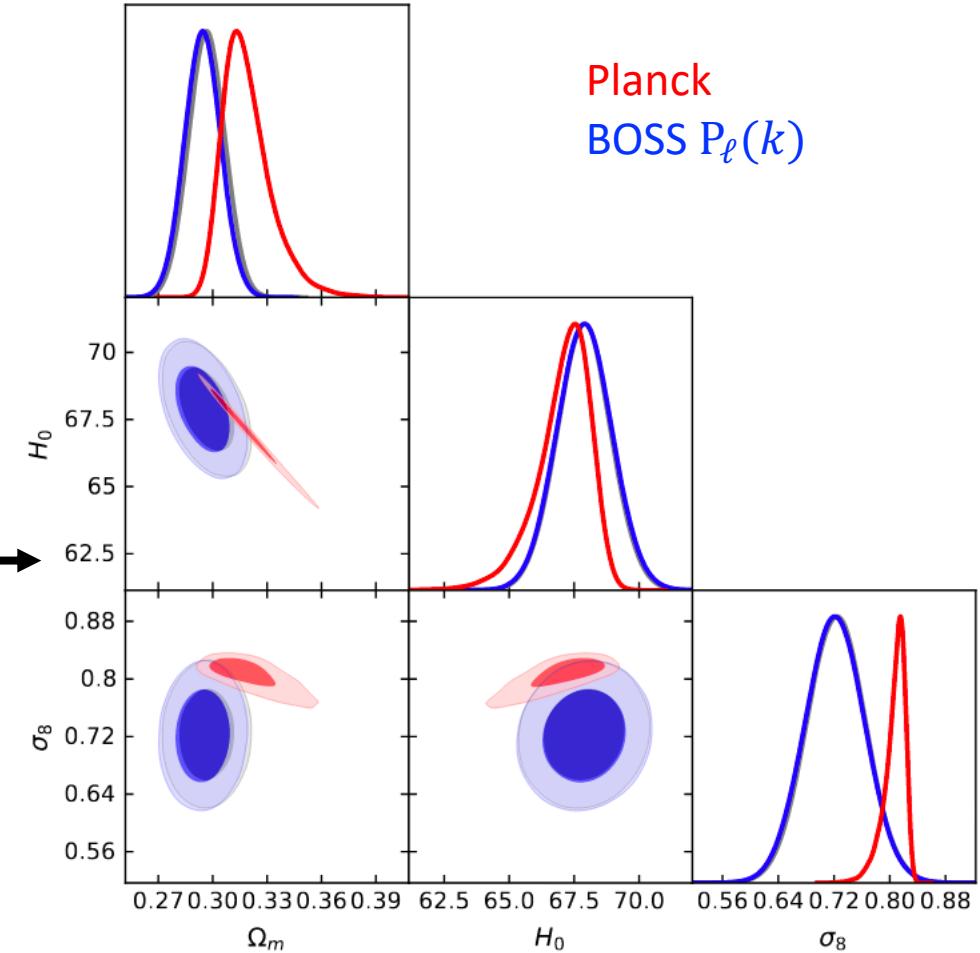
$P_{g,\ell}(k) = P_{g,\ell}^{\text{tree}}(k) + P_{g,\ell}^{\text{1-loop}}(k) + P_{g,\ell}^{\text{noise}}(k) + P_{g,\ell}^{\text{ctr}}(k)$

Linear Theory    1-loop PT    Shot-noise    Counterterms

*Theory Model*  
(Effective Field Theory)

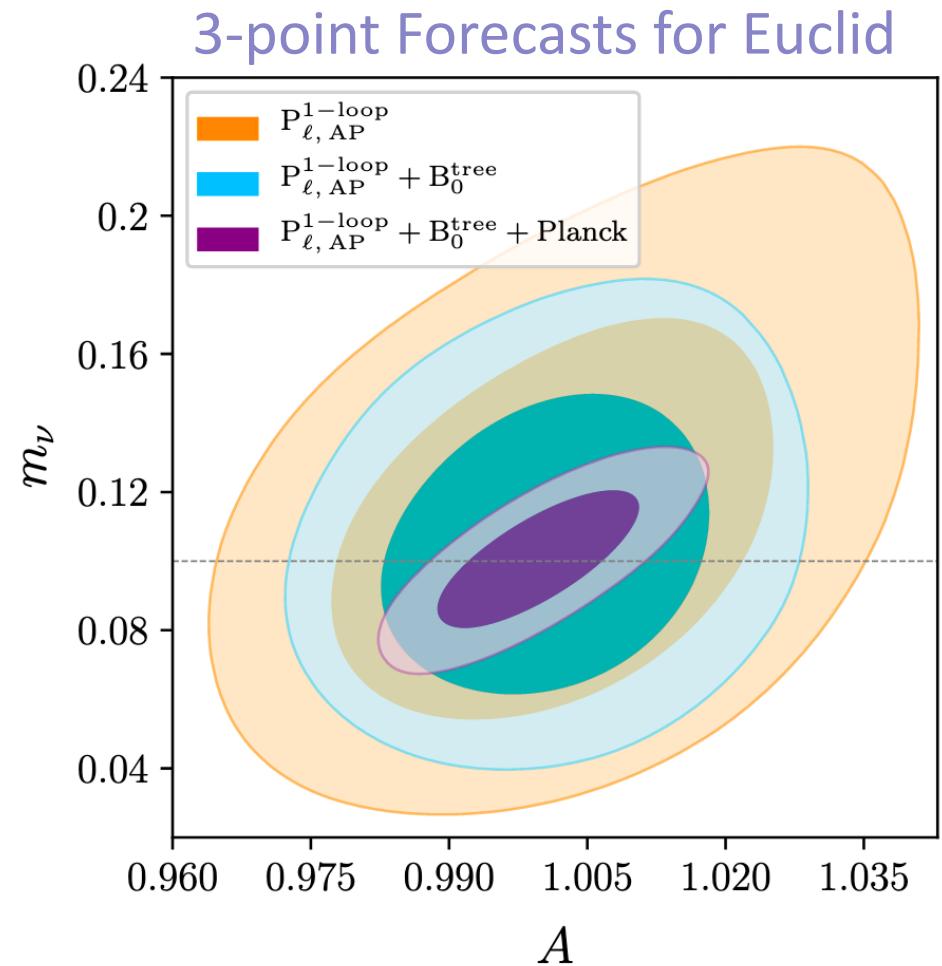
MCMC

Mock Datasets  
(at least  $N_{\text{bin}}$  mocks)



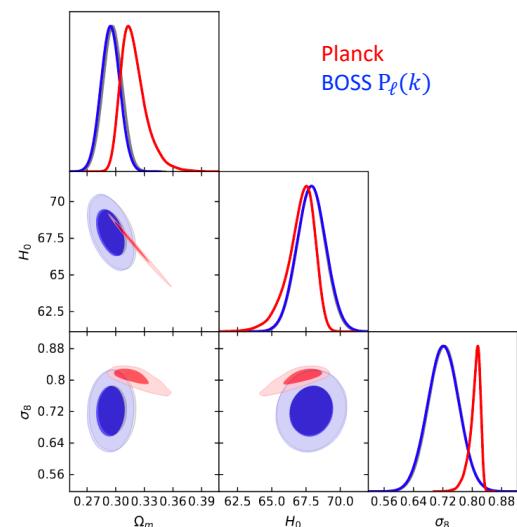
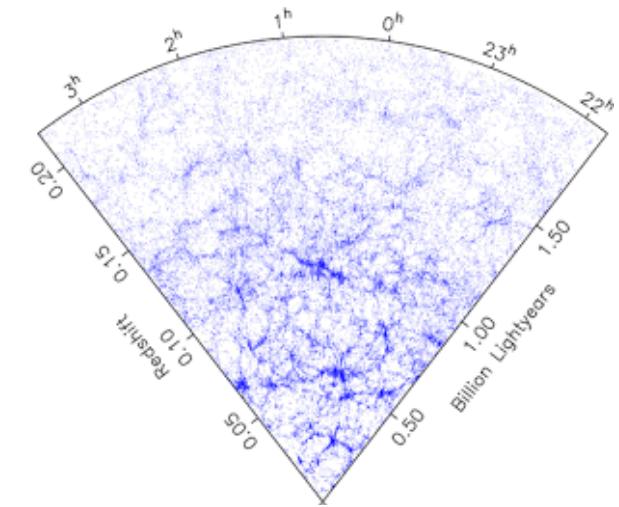
# Beyond 2-Point Statistics

- In a **non-Gaussian** universe, there is more information in **higher-point functions**, e.g.
- Bispectrum / 3PCF [Gil-Marín+16, Slepian+15, d'Amico+19]  
$$(2\pi)^3 \delta_D(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) B(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) = \langle \delta(\mathbf{k}_1) \delta(\mathbf{k}_2) \delta(\mathbf{k}_3) \rangle$$
- Trispectrum / 4PCF [Gualdi+20]  
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- These get steadily larger and harder to measure.
- Not used in many cosmological analyses yet!



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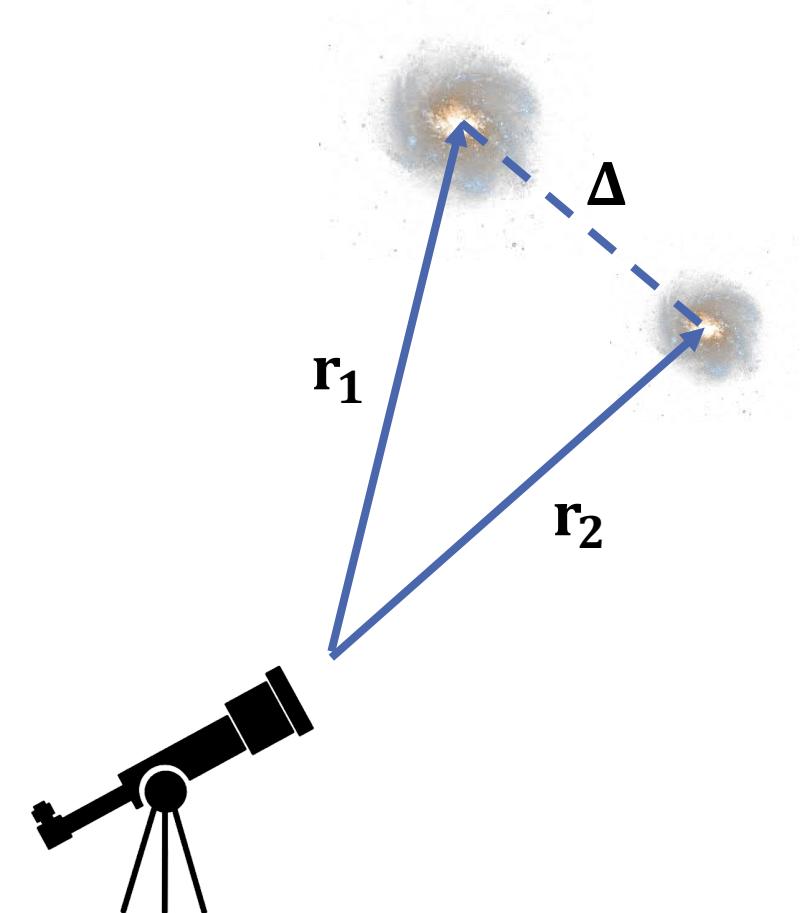


# 1. Parametrizing Anisotropy

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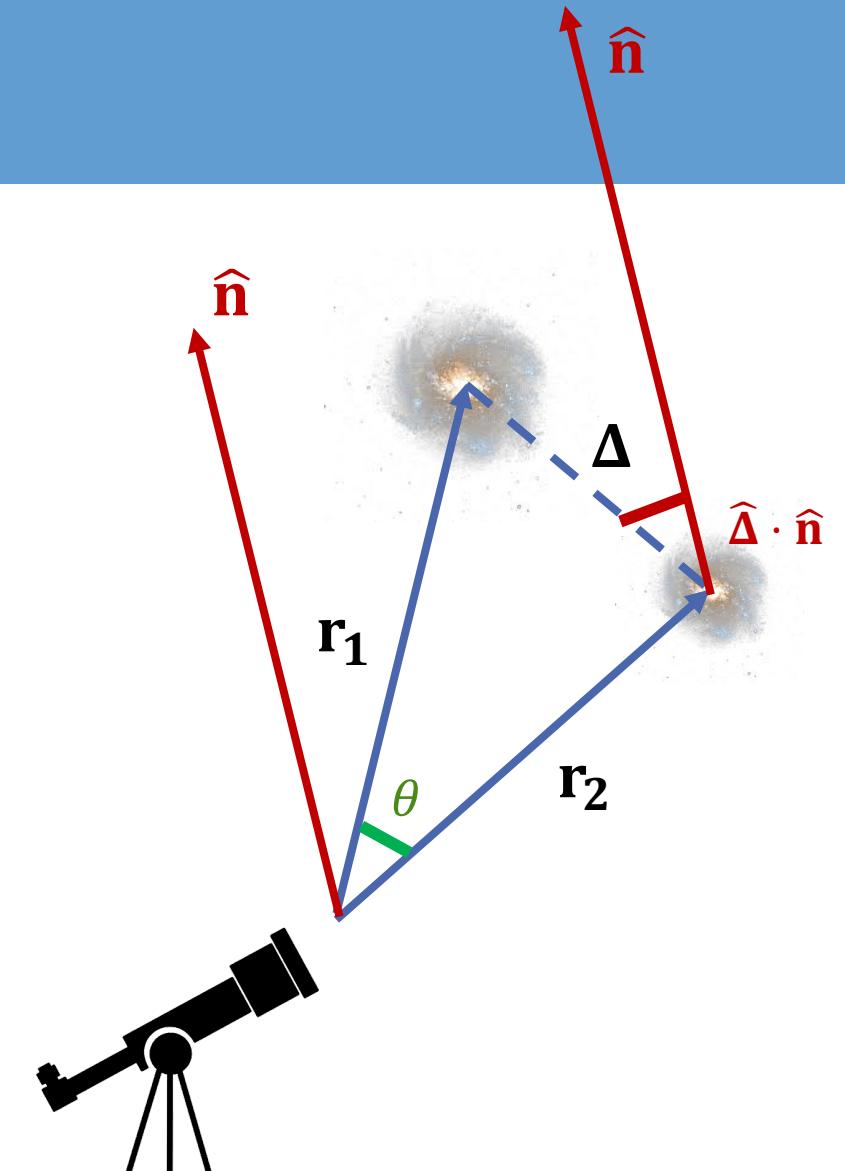
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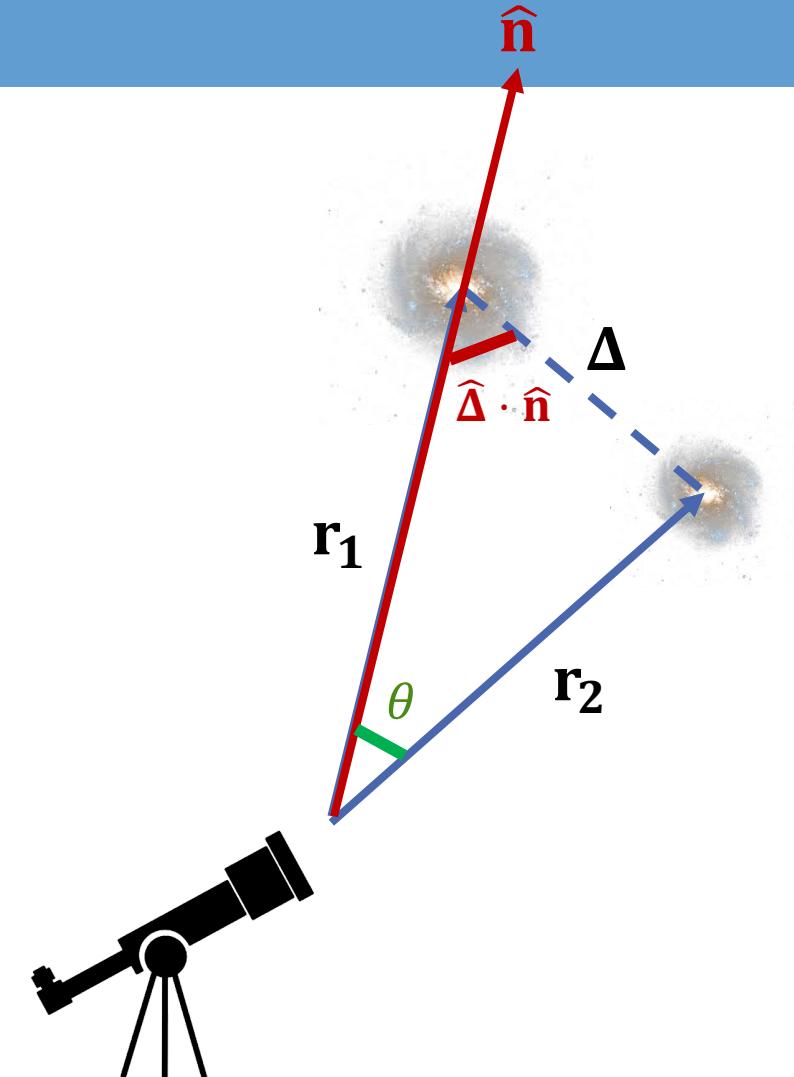
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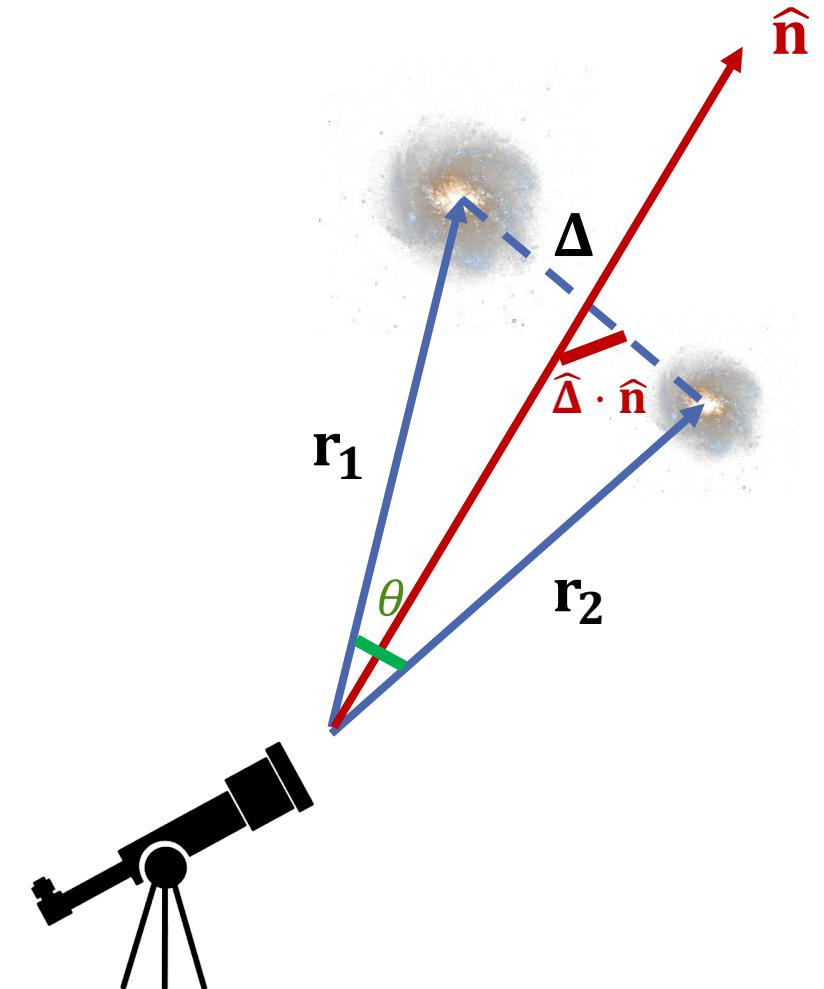


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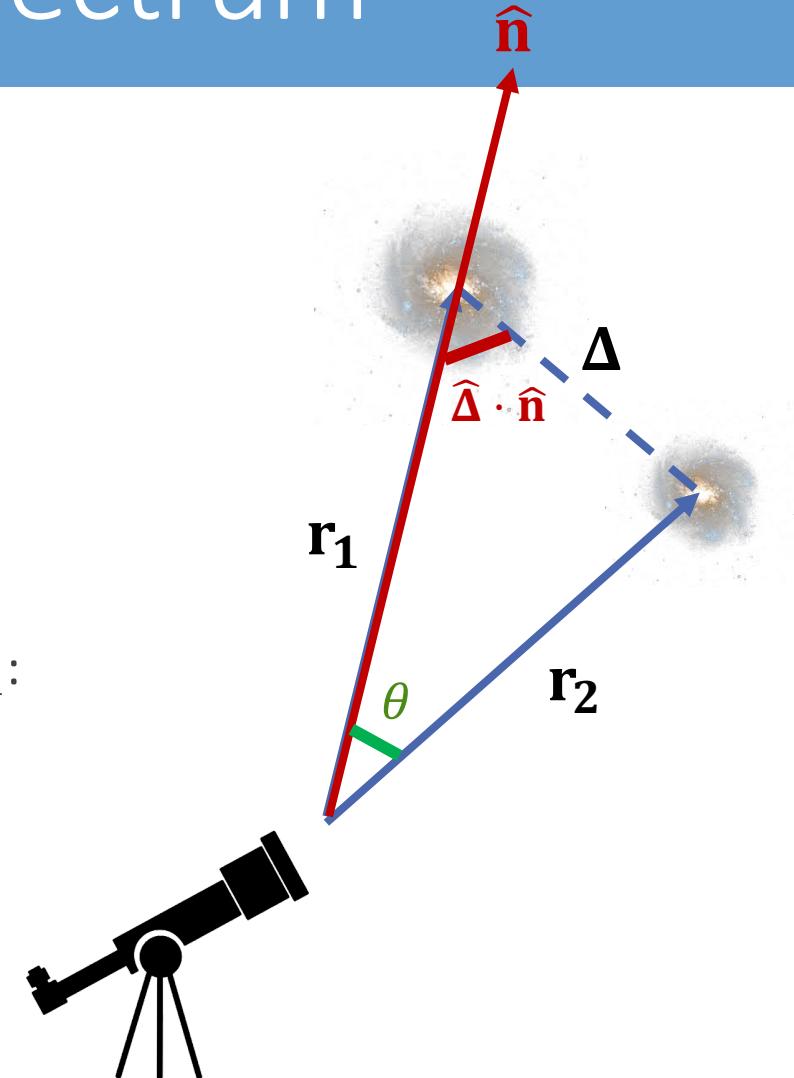
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Fourier Transform      Angular Dependence  
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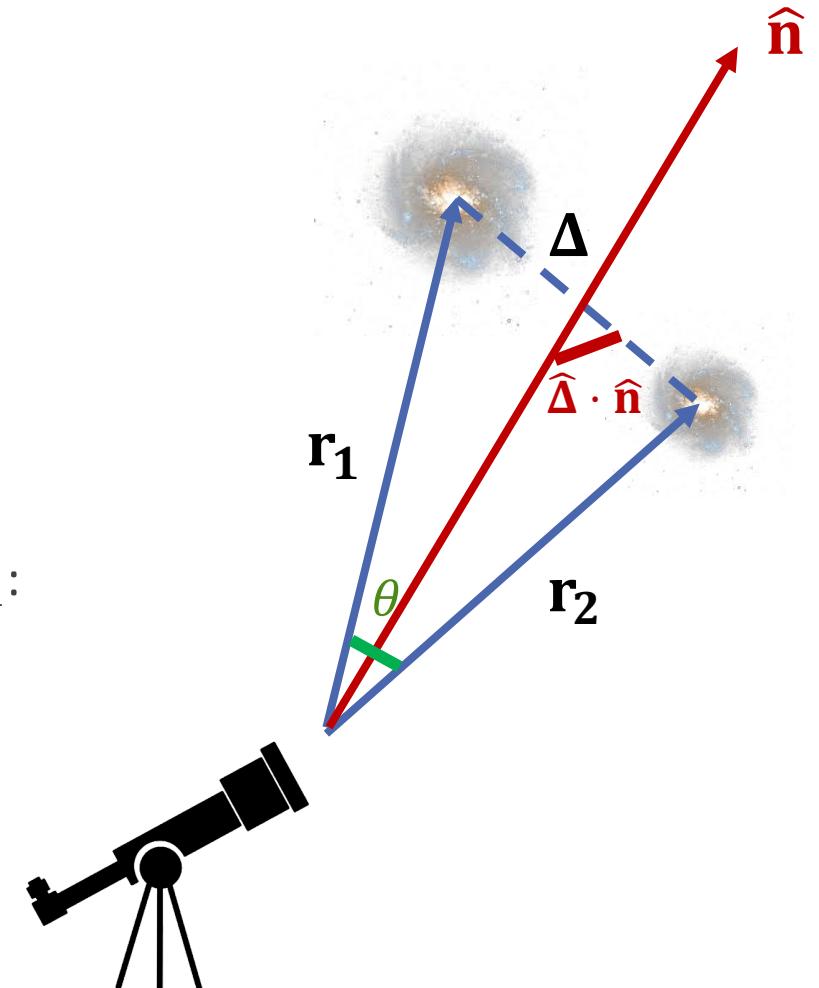
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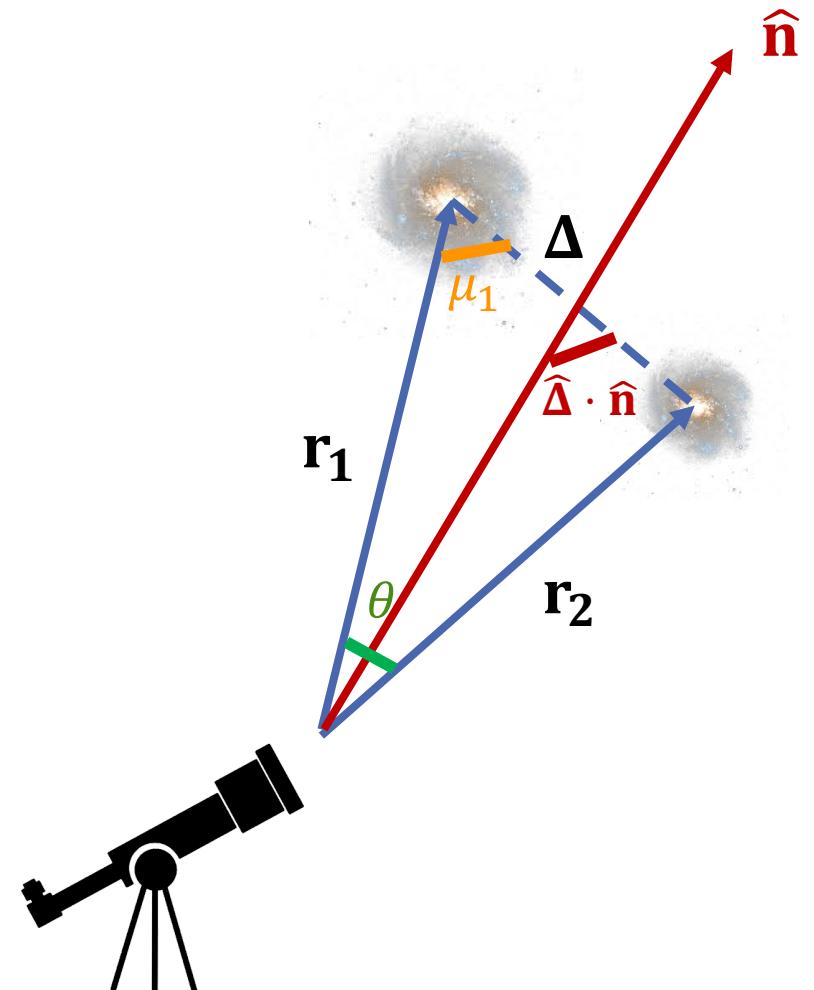
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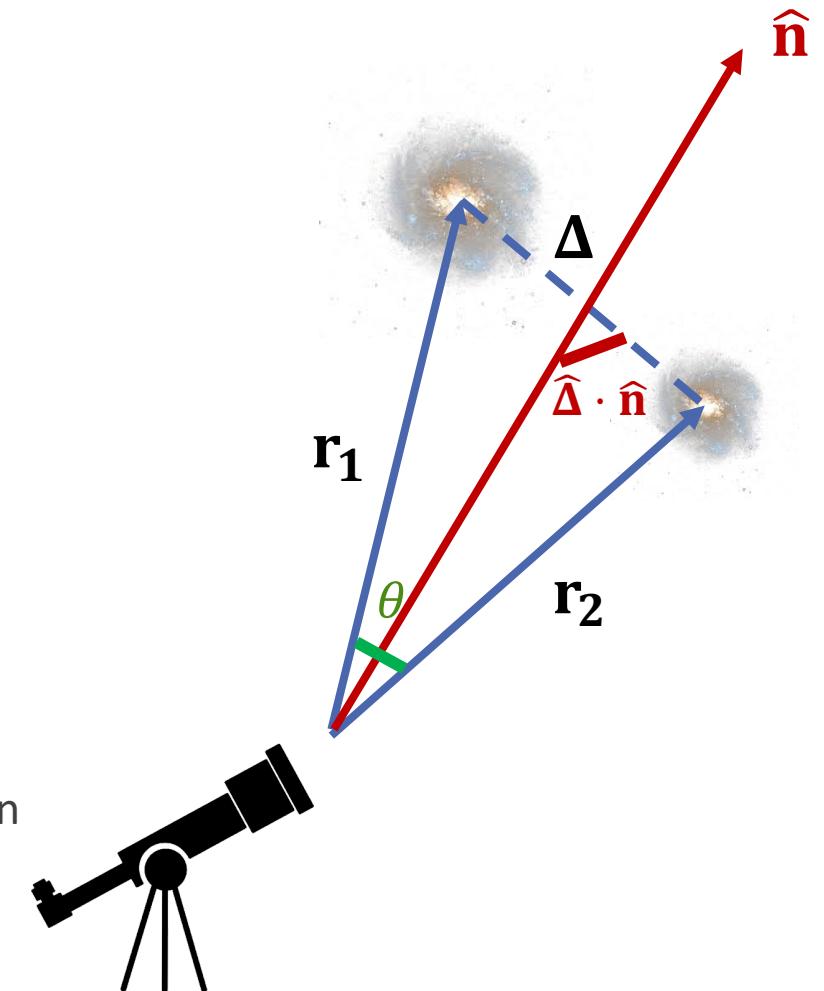
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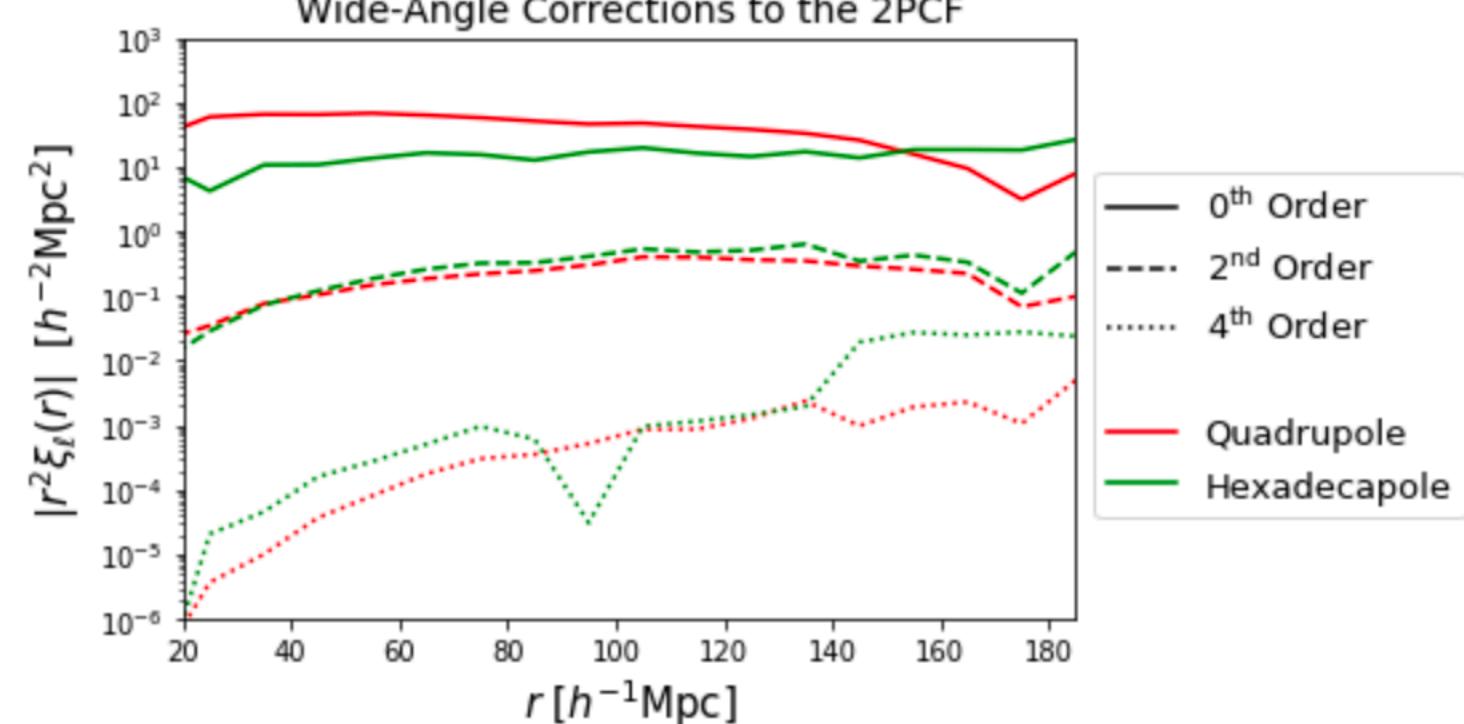
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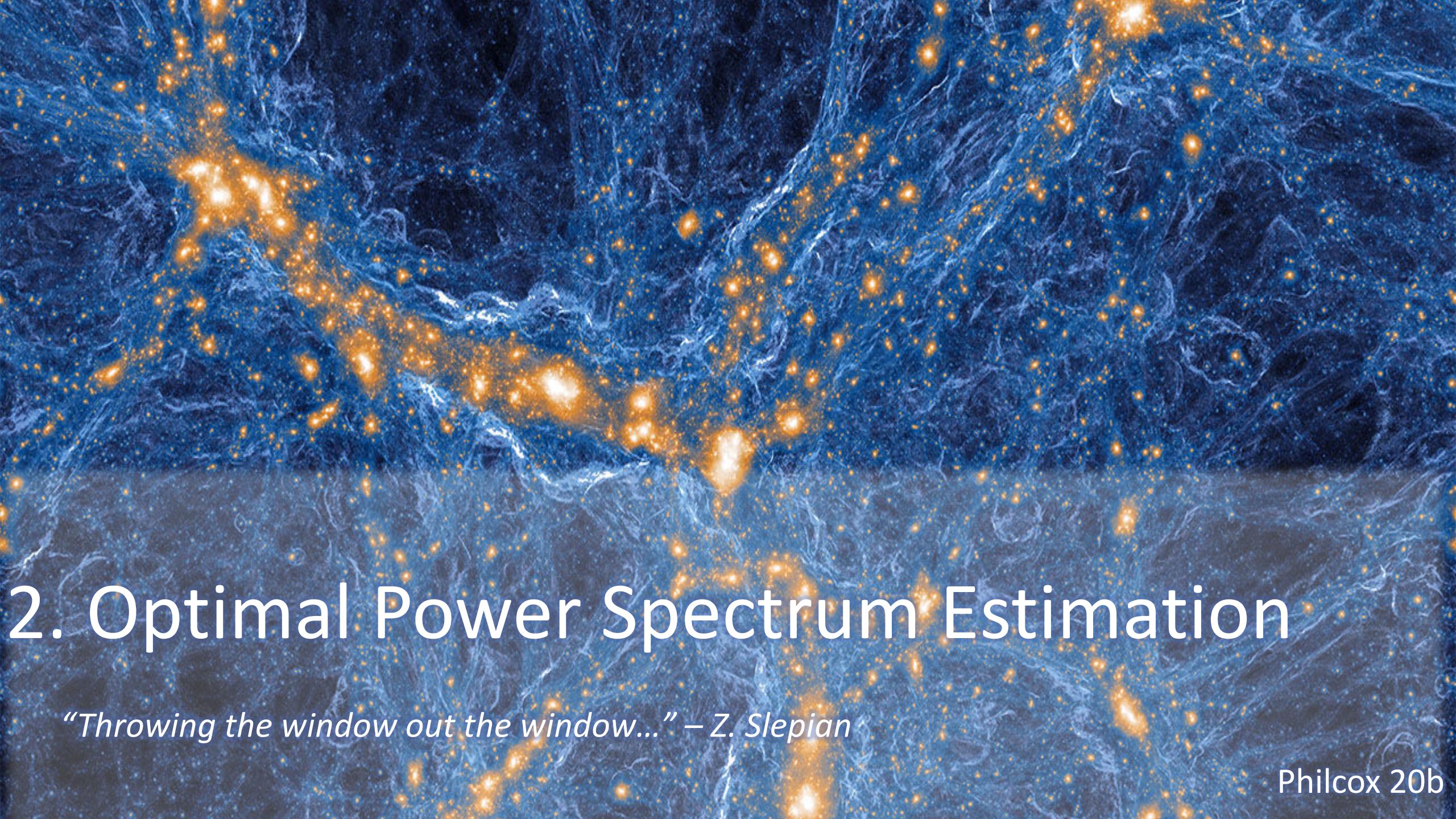
- Can now compute the 2PCF using Fourier transforms!
- This applies also to the **power spectrum**, with a more complex expansion
- Same computational complexity as Yamamoto approximation



# The Midpoint Method in Practice

- For BOSS correlation function:
  - $\theta \sim 0.1 - 0.2$  at the BAO scale
  - Corrections are **marginally important**
- For BOSS  $P(k)$ :
  - Spectrum depends on **all** scales:
  - $\theta \sim 1$  for the largest-modes
  - Corrections **are** important
- Most important for **wide surveys at low redshifts**
- *Full results coming soon...*





## 2. Optimal Power Spectrum Estimation

*“Throwing the window out the window...” – Z. Slepian*

# The FKP Estimator

The power spectrum **isn't** simply the density field squared.

- Neglects **inhomogeneous noise** and **survey window functions**
- 1. Define  $\delta(\mathbf{r})$  as the difference between **galaxy** and **random** densities
- 2. Add an **FKP weight** to incorporate **Poisson noise** densities (and systematics)

This is the **optimal solution** on small-scales with Poisson noise

**But:**

- Not optimal on large scales
- Measures the **window-convolved** power spectrum

$$\hat{P}(k) = \int \frac{d\Omega_k}{4\pi} \int d\mathbf{r}_1 d\mathbf{r}_2 e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot(\mathbf{r}_1-\mathbf{r}_2)} \delta(\mathbf{r}_1)\delta(\mathbf{r}_2)$$

$$\delta(\mathbf{r}) \rightarrow \frac{w(\mathbf{r})[n_g(\mathbf{r}) - \alpha_r n_r(\mathbf{r})]}{I^{1/2}}, \quad I \equiv \int d\mathbf{r} w^2(\mathbf{r}) \bar{n}^2(\mathbf{r})$$

*Galaxies*                           *Randoms*

$$w(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{w_{\text{sys}}(\mathbf{r})}{1 + P_{\text{FKP}} n(\mathbf{r})}$$

*Systematics*                           *Poisson Noise Correction,  $P_{\text{FKP}} \sim 10^4$*

Feldman+94,  
Tegmark+98

# Optimal Estimators

- Optimal approach:

- Maximize the **likelihood** of the data,  $\mathbf{d}$ , given band-powers  $\mathbf{p}$  and data-covariance  $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{p})$

$$-2 \log L[\mathbf{d}](\mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{d}^T \mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{p}) \mathbf{d} + \text{Tr} \log \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{p}) + \text{const.} \quad \xleftarrow{\boxed{\text{Gaussian likelihood}}}$$

- Gives a **maximum-likelihood** estimator for the **unwindowed** power spectrum:

$$\hat{p}_\alpha^{\text{ML}} = p_\alpha^{\text{fid}} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\beta} F_{\alpha\beta}^{-1} \left( \mathbf{d}^T \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{,\beta} \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{d} - \text{Tr} [\mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{,\beta}] \right)$$

Fiducial Model      Covariance Derivative      Bias Term  
Band-powers      Fisher Matrix      Weighted Data

- The estimator is a **quadratic** function of the data,  $\hat{q}_\beta$ , plus a normalization  $F_{\alpha\beta}$ , and a fiducial model,  $p_\alpha^{\text{fid}}$

$$\hat{p}_\alpha^{\text{ML}} = p_\alpha^{\text{fid}} + \sum_{\beta} F_{\alpha\beta}^{-1} (\hat{q}_\beta - \bar{q}_\beta)$$

Known!      From sims      From data

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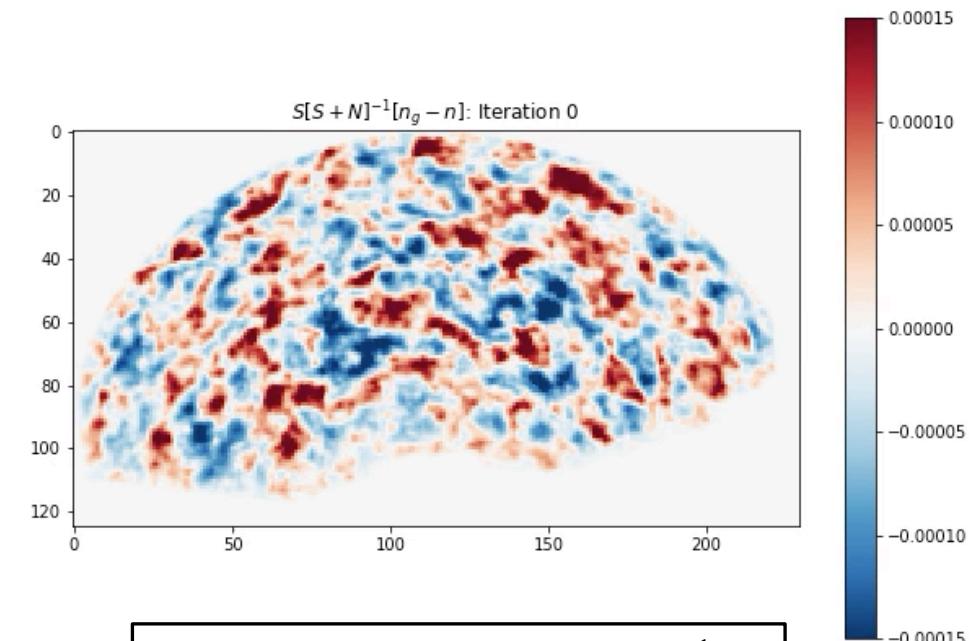
- This depends on the **quadratic estimator**  $\hat{q}_\beta$ :

$$\hat{q}(k) = \int \frac{d\Omega_k}{4\pi} \int d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}')} [\mathbf{C}^{-1}\mathbf{d}](\mathbf{r}) [\mathbf{C}^{-1}\mathbf{d}](\mathbf{r}')$$

- Just a power spectrum of the **inverse-covariance weighted data**
- We need the covariance for each pair of pixels:

$$C(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = n(\mathbf{r})n(\mathbf{r}') \int_{\mathbf{k}} e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}')} \sum_\ell P_\ell(k) L_\ell(\hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}') + (1 + \alpha)n(\mathbf{r})\delta_D(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$$

- This covariance is **gigantic** ( $N_{\text{pix}} \times N_{\text{pix}}$ )
  - Never store directly
  - Invert using **conjugate gradient descent** methods



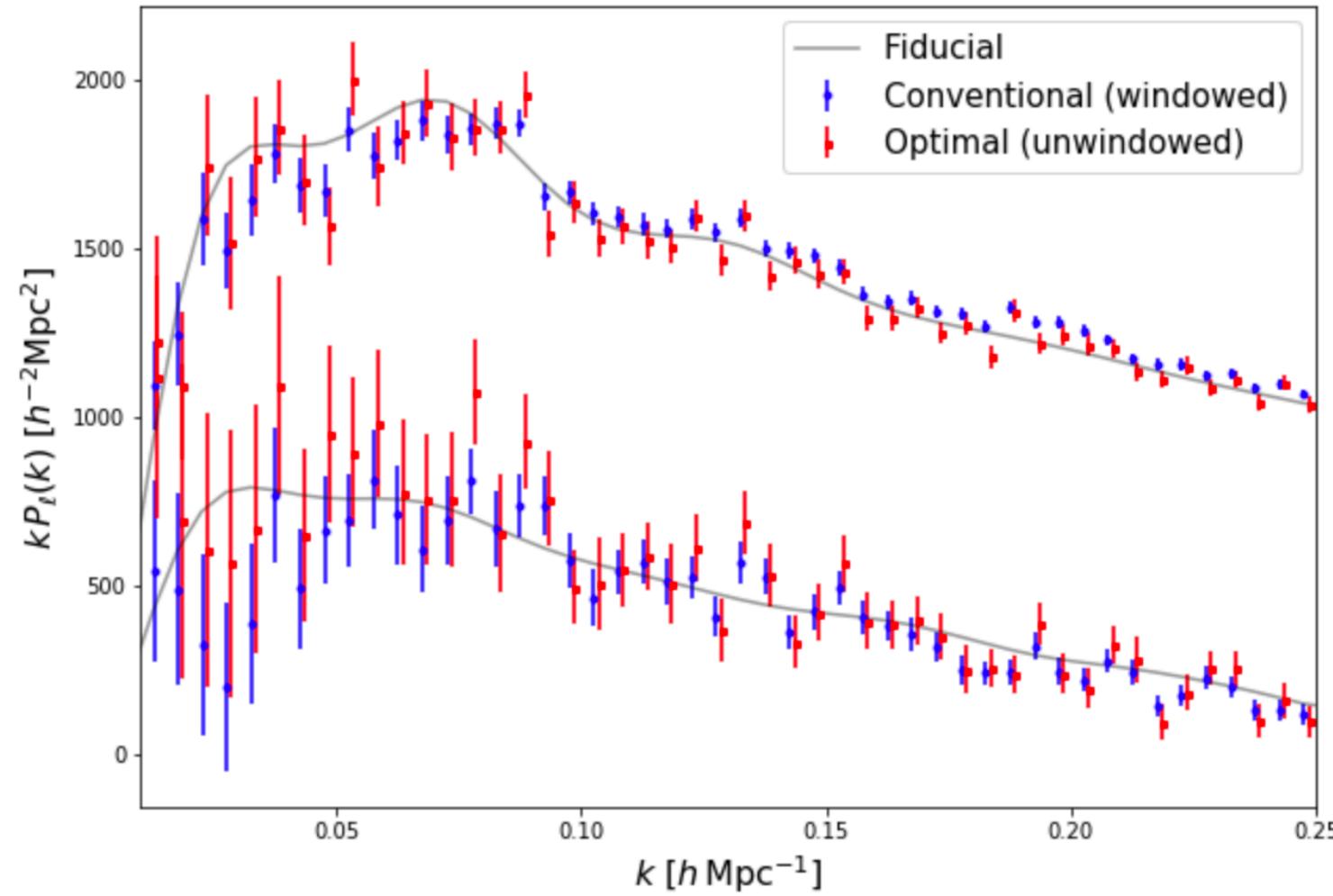
Iterative computation of  $C^{-1}\mathbf{d}$   
from an initial guess

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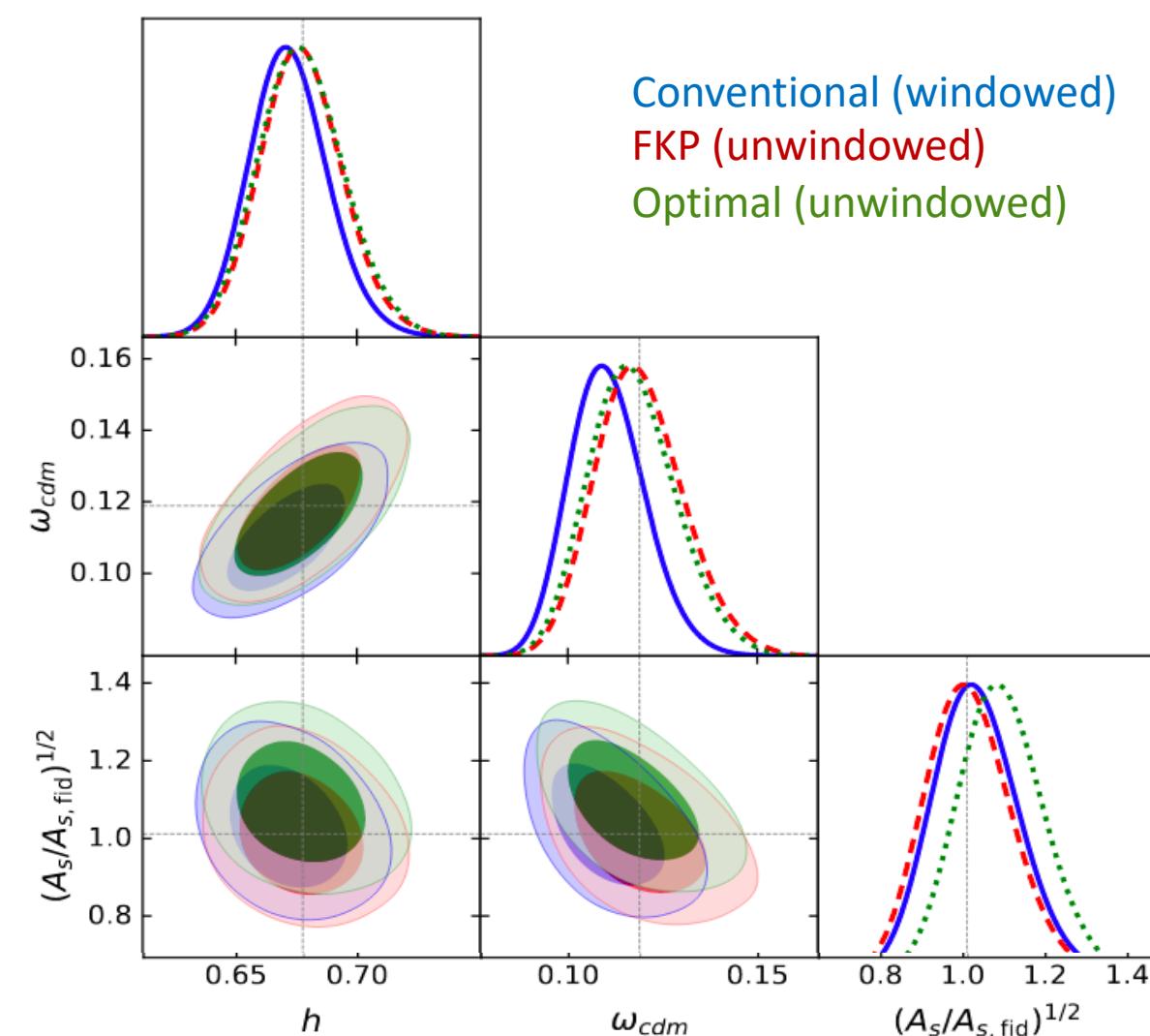


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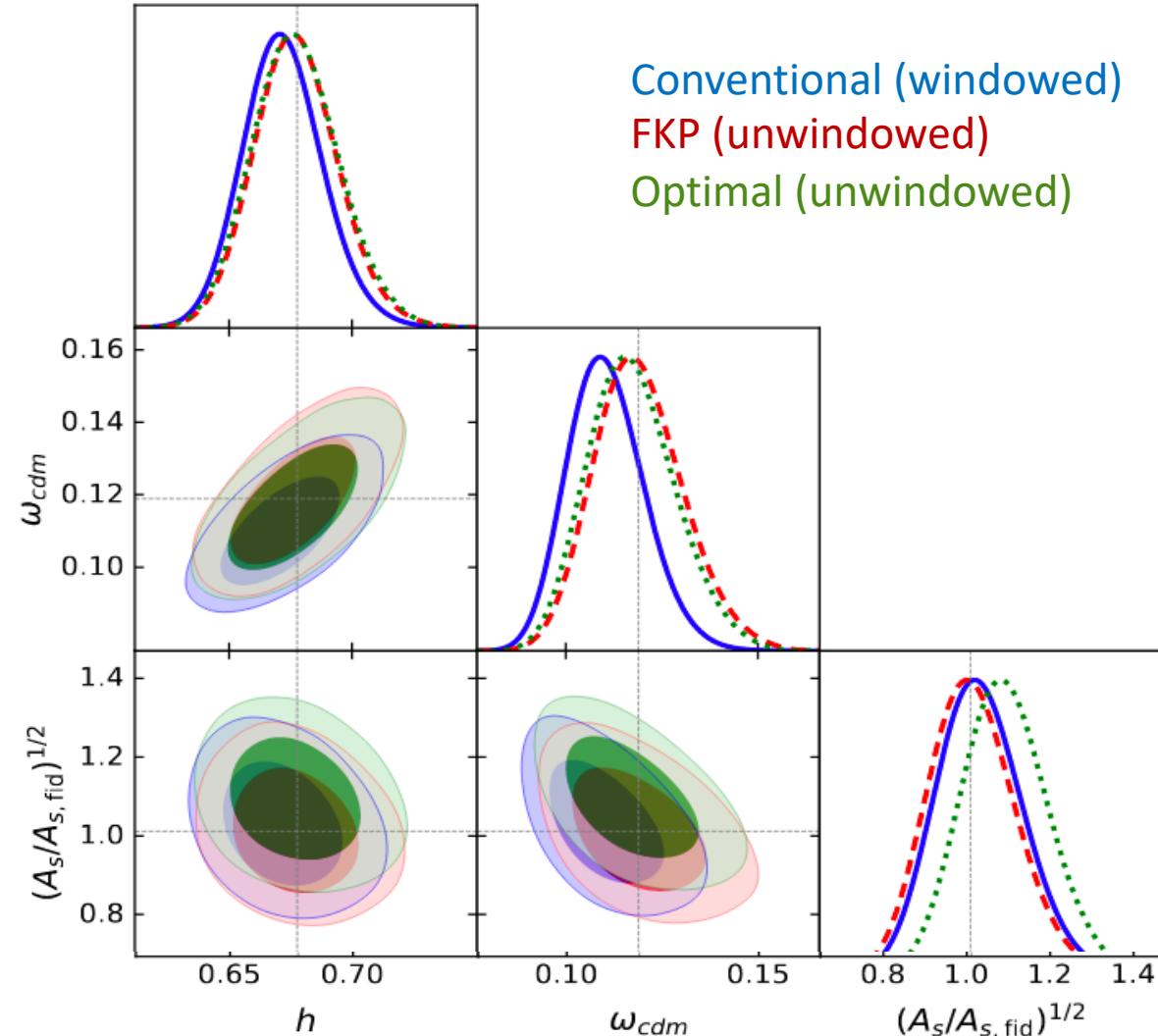
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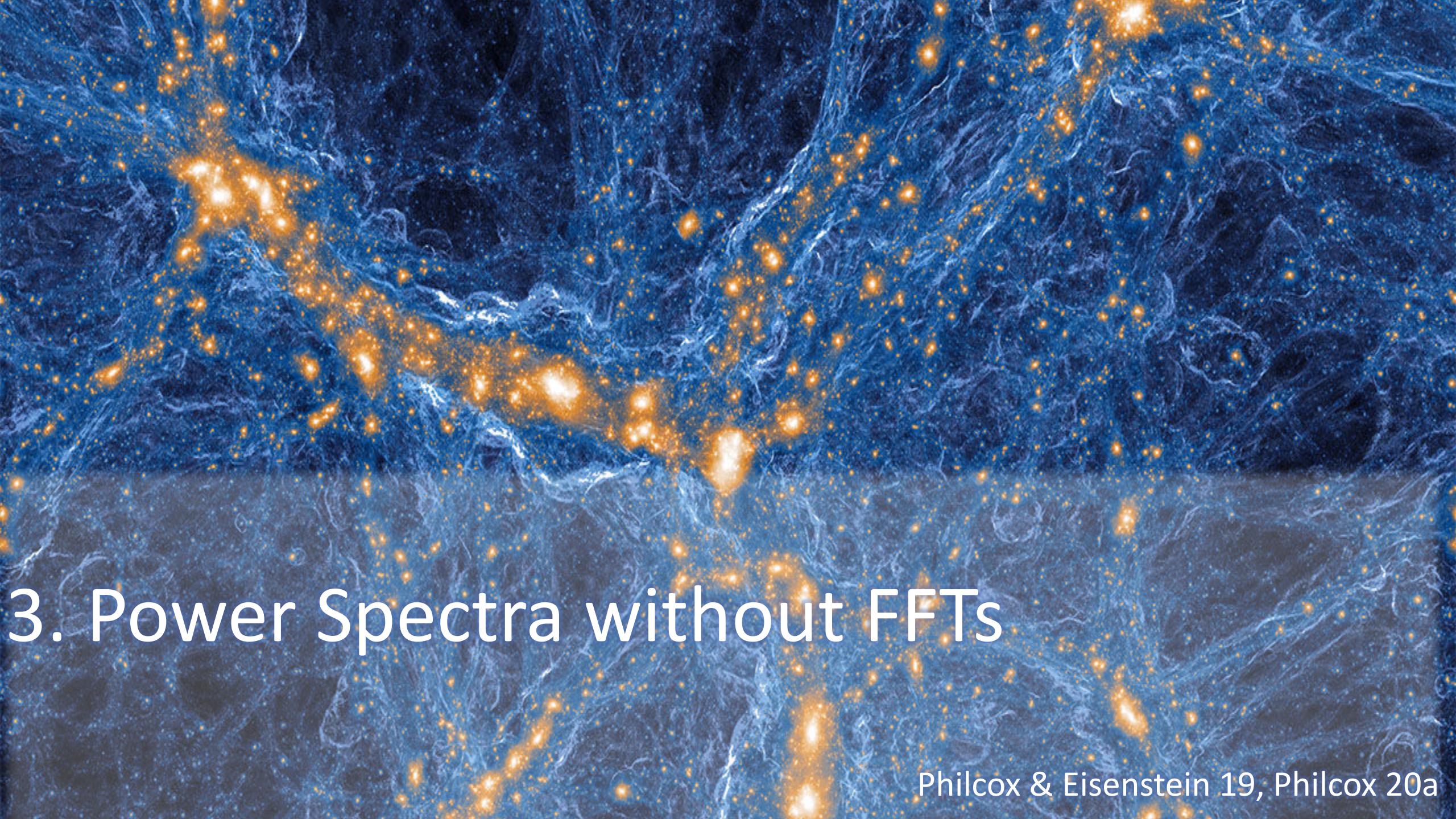
- Benefits:

- No window-convolution required!
- No leading-order **gridding** effects
- No leading-order non-Poissonian **shot noise** effects
- **Optimal** error-bars if Gaussian
  - Most useful for **small, dense, anisotropic** surveys, and **large-scale modes**

- Extensions:

- Optimal cubic  $P_\ell(k)$  estimators for weak **non-Gaussianity**
- Window-free **bispectrum** estimators





### 3. Power Spectra without FFTs

Philcox & Eisenstein 19, Philcox 20a

# Configuration-Space $P(k)$ Estimators

- Conventionally,  $P(k)$  is estimated using Fast Fourier Transforms

$$\hat{P}(k) = \int \frac{d\Omega_k}{4\pi} \int d\mathbf{r}_1 d\mathbf{r}_2 e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot(\mathbf{r}_1-\mathbf{r}_2)} \delta(\mathbf{r}_1)\delta(\mathbf{r}_2) = \int \frac{d\Omega_k}{4\pi} |\text{FFT}[\delta](\mathbf{k})|^2$$

- This has complexity  $\mathcal{O}(N_g \log N_g)$  for  $N_g$  grid points, with **Nyquist frequency**  $k_{\text{Nyq}} \propto N_g/L_{\text{box}}$
- On **small scales**, we need large  $N_g \Rightarrow$  **slow computation** and **high memory** usage!

$$\text{Time} \propto k_{\max} \log k_{\max}$$

- The 2PCF can be computed by **counting pairs of particles** with  $\mathcal{O}(N^2)$  complexity. In bin  $a$ :

$$\xi^a = \int d\mathbf{r}_1 d\mathbf{r}_2 \delta(\mathbf{r}_1)\delta(\mathbf{r}_2) \Theta^a(|\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2|) = \sum_{i \neq j} w_i w_j \Theta^a(|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|)$$

Weights      Binning function  
Sum over galaxies

- This is **fast** on small scales!

$$\text{Time} \propto N n R_{\max}^3$$

# Configuration-Space $P(k)$ Estimators

- We can do the same for  $P(k)$ :

$$P(k) \propto \int \frac{d\Omega_k}{4\pi} \sum_{i \neq j} w_i w_j e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j)} = \sum_{i \neq j} w_i w_j j_0(k|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|)$$

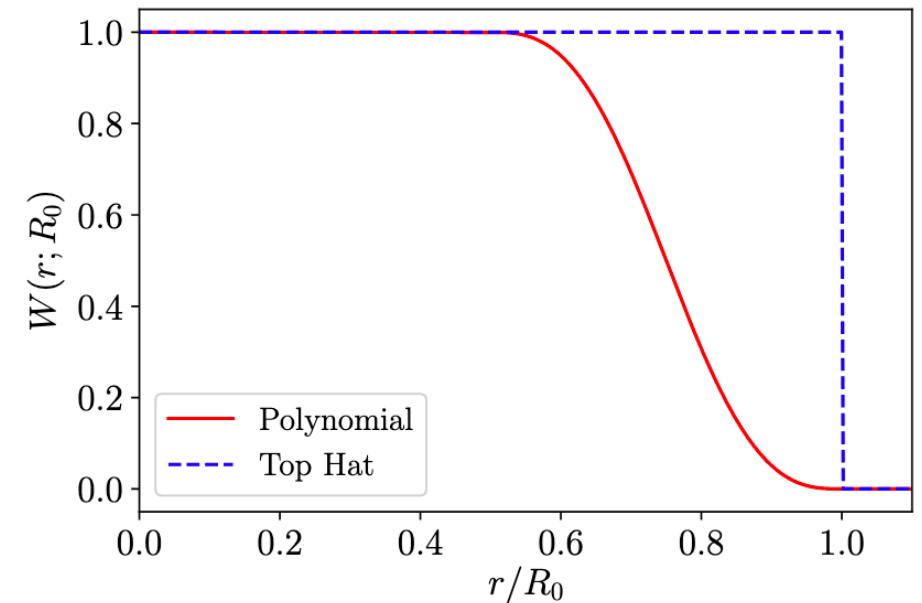
Weights      0<sup>th</sup> order Bessel function  
Sum over galaxies

- But we need to sum over all  $N^2$  pairs of galaxies in the survey!

- Only sum up to some maximum radius  $R_0$ , via a smooth function  $W(r; R_0)$

$$P(k; R_0) \propto \sum_{i \neq j} w_i w_j j_0(k|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|) W(|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|; R_0)$$

Time  $\propto NnR_0^3 \propto k_{\min}^{-3}$



# Configuration-Space $P_\ell(k)$ Estimators

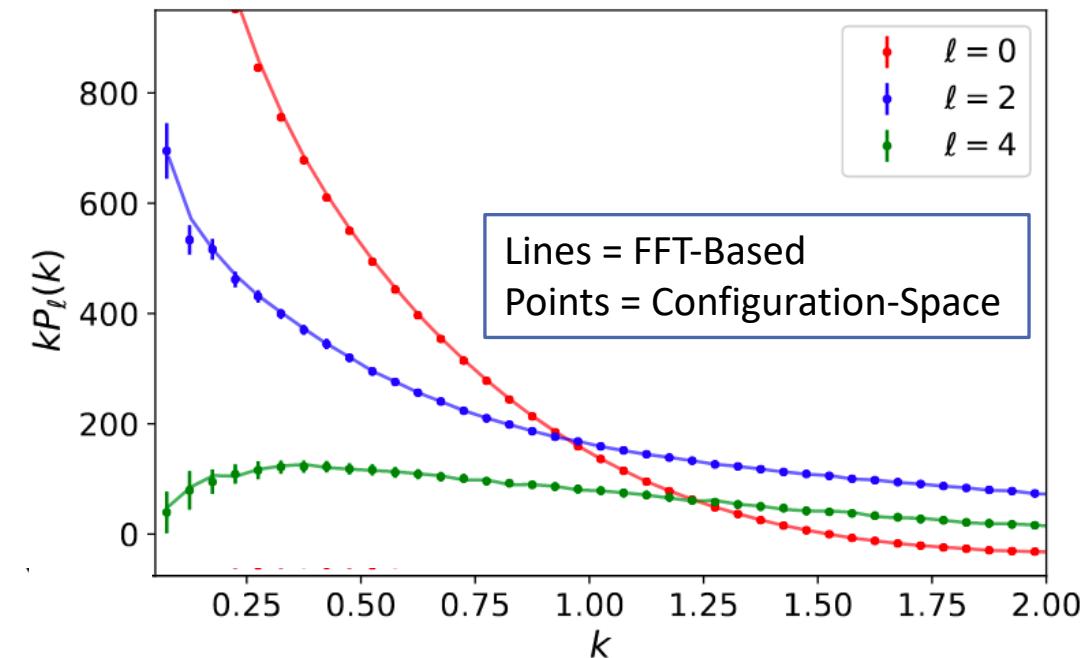
This extends to the multipoles too:

$$P_\ell(k; R_0) \propto (2\ell + 1)(-i)^\ell \sum_{i \neq j} w_i w_j j_\ell(k|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|) W(|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|; R_0)$$

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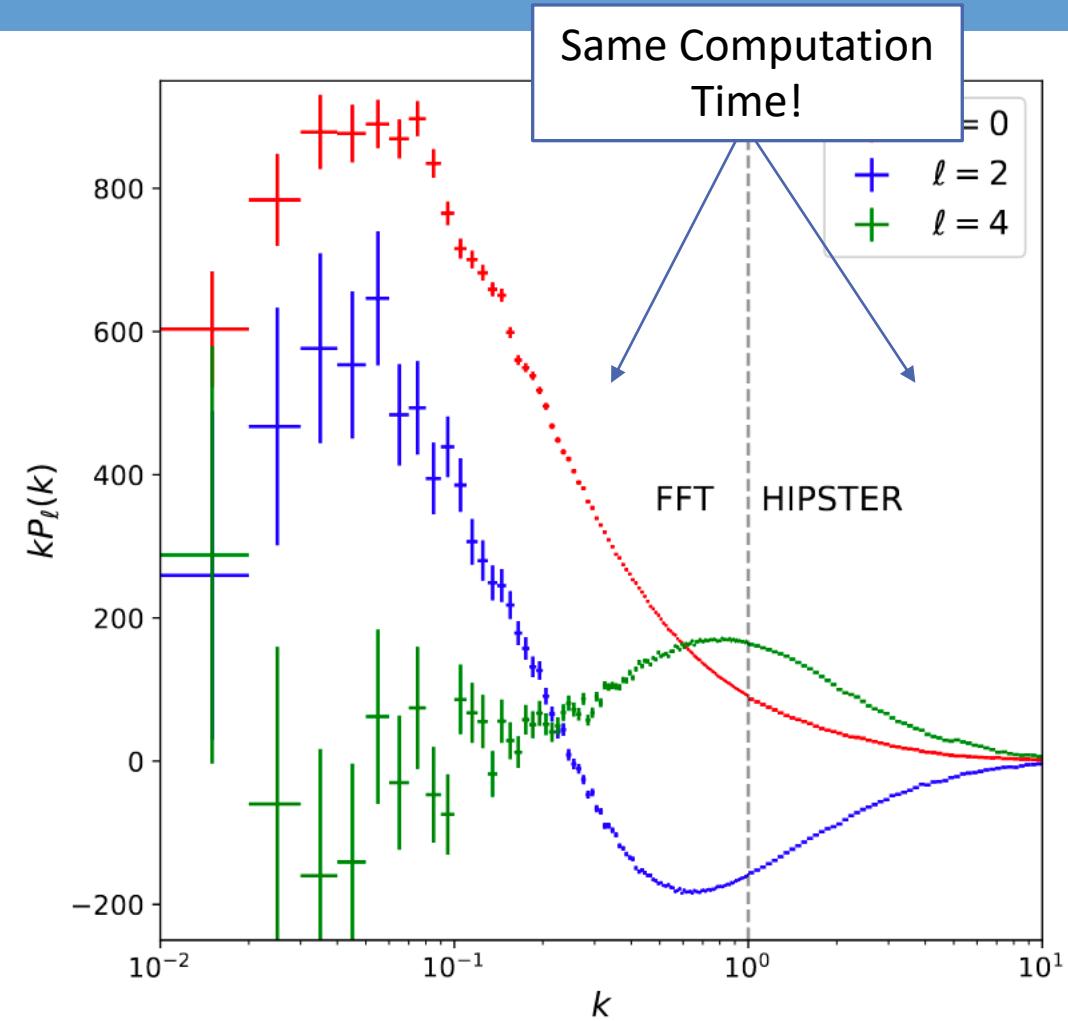
## Benefits

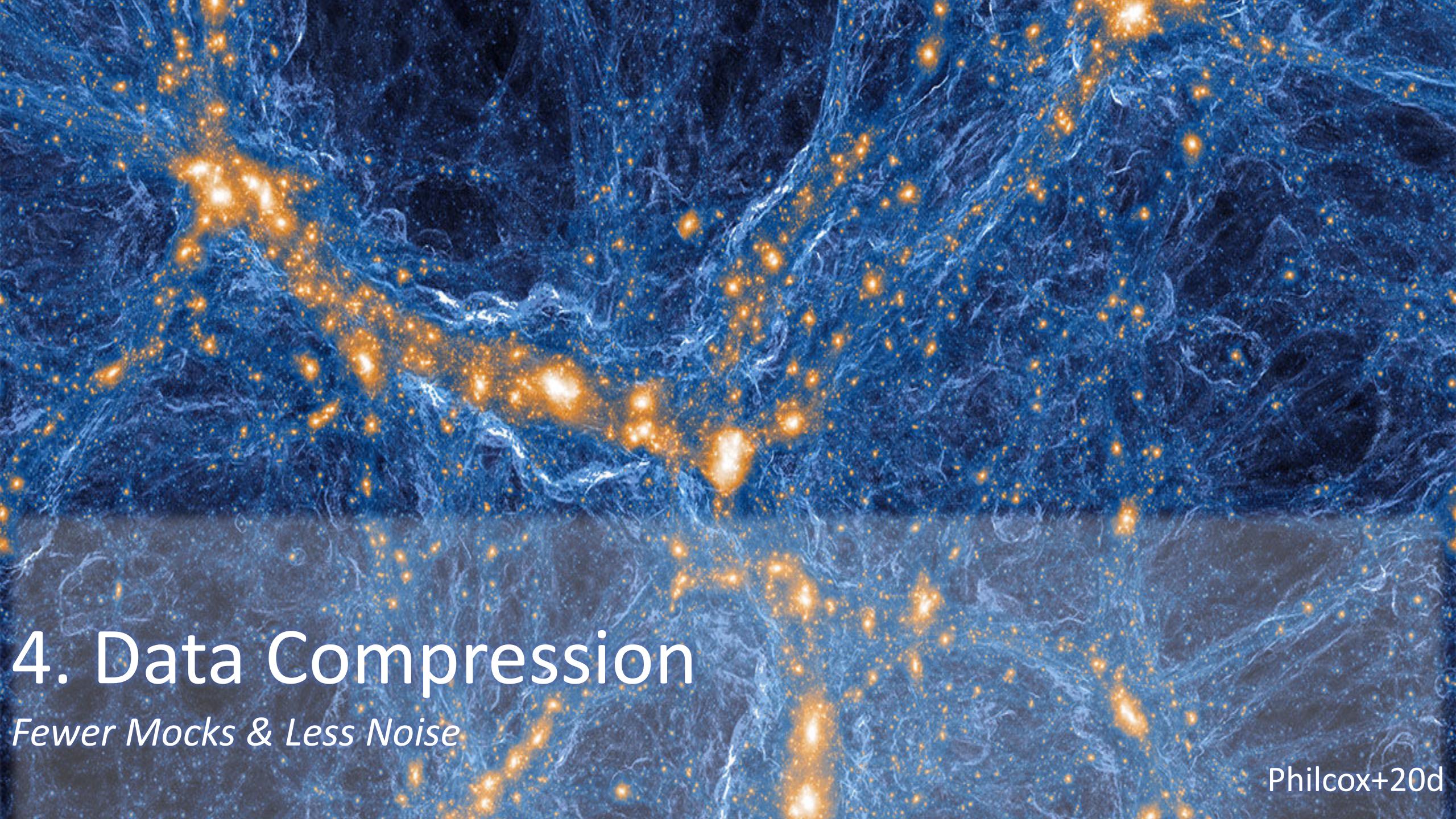
- **Speed**
  - Time scales as  $k_{\min}^{-3}$
- **Memory**
  - No storage of large FFT grids
- **Aliasing**
  - No gridding!
- **Shot-noise**
  - Removes self-counts  $\rightarrow$  Poissonian shot-noise!
- **Window function**
  - Can remove survey window, just as for 2PCF



# Configuration-Space $P(k)$ Estimators

- Implemented in the **HIPSTER** code
- For fastest implementation, **combine** with FFT-based treatments
  - FFTs are fastest on **large** scales (time  $\sim k_{\max} \log k_{\max}$ )
  - HIPSTER is fastest on **small** scales (time  $\sim k_{\min}^{-3}$ )
- Can be similarly applied to **bispectra**
  - Here, time  $\propto Nn^2R_0^6 \propto k_{\min}^{-6}$
  - Same scaling with number density as for  $P(k)$ !





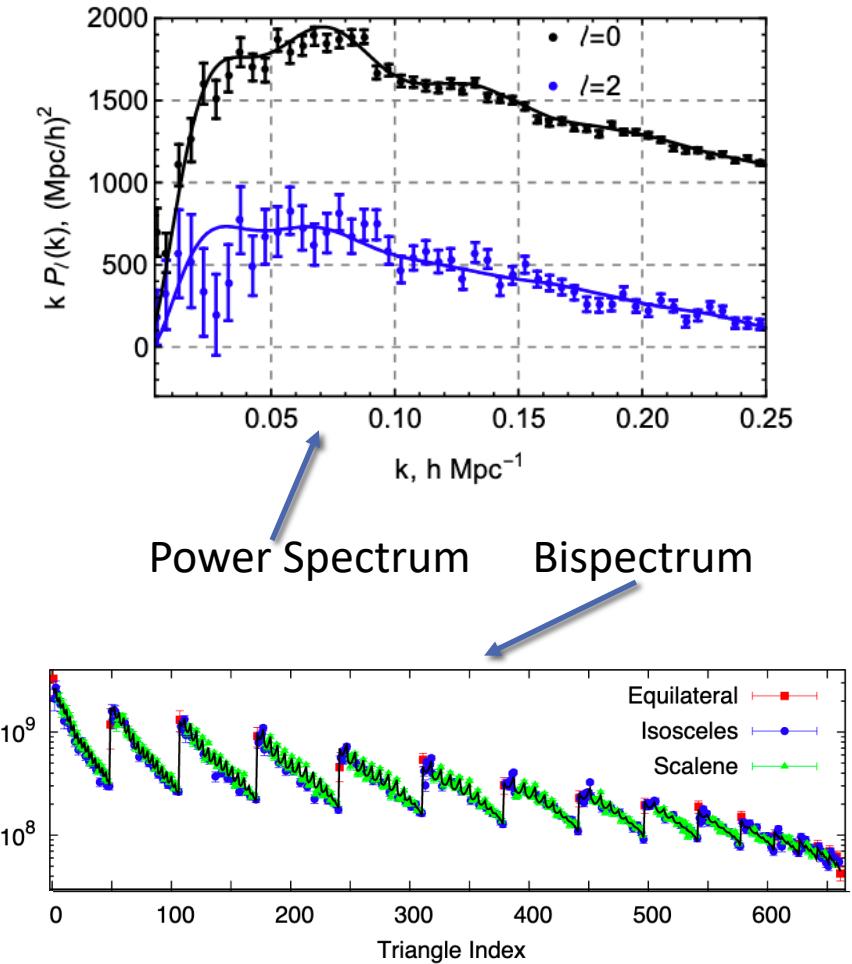
## 4. Data Compression

*Fewer Mocks & Less Noise*

Philcox+20d

# The Curse of Dimensionality

- The power spectrum is **high-dimensional**, e.g.;
  - BOSS has  $\sim 100$  power spectrum bins
  - Higher order statistics will have many more!
  - Only use these to measure  $\sim 10$  parameters
- For a Gaussian likelihood, we need the **inverse covariance**
- For a **sample covariance matrix**:
  - Need  $N_{\text{mocks}} > N_{\text{bins}}$  for invertibility
  - Covariance matrix noise gives parameter **shifts**, unless  $N_{\text{mocks}} \gg N_{\text{bins}}$
  - Common solution: **inflate** the error bars and lose constraining power
- What's the best way to compress our data-set?

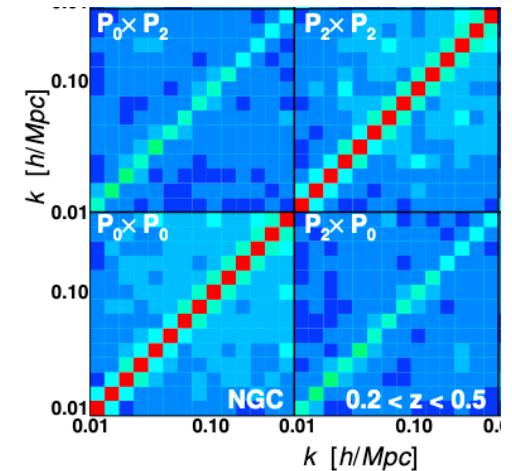


# Data Compression via PCA

Beutler+16

- A canonical approach: [e.g. Scoccimarro 2000]
  - Form the theoretical covariance matrix of the observable
  - Perform a **Principal Component Analysis** on this
  - Project the data onto the first few components
- This chooses the basis vectors which contribute most to the signal-to-noise of the statistic
- But they might not be the directions we're most interested in!

Power Spectrum Covariance



PCA

$$P(k) \approx \sum_i a_i W_i(k)$$

Basis Vectors

Coefficients

See also MOPED: Heavens+00, Alsing+18 , KL: Tegmark+97

# Data Compression via Subspace Projection

A new\* approach, given a **theory model**:

- Draw sets of parameters from the **priors**
- Compute the **theory model** at each point
- Perform a **Singular Value Decomposition** on the **noise-weighted** samples
- Use these **basis vectors** to perform the compression

*Parameters used in the analysis*

$$\theta = \{\omega_{\text{cdm}}, A_s/A_{s,\text{fid}}, h, \dots\} \times \{b_1, b_2, b_{G_2}, b_4, c_{s,0}, c_{s,2}, P_{\text{shot}}\}$$

$$X_a(\theta) \equiv \sum_{ab} C_{ab}^{-1/2} [P_b(\theta) - \bar{P}_b]$$

*Covariance Estimate*      *Theory Model*

$$X_{ia} = \sum_{\alpha} U_{i\alpha} D_{\alpha} V_{\alpha a}$$

*Basis Vectors*

$$X_a^{(i)} \approx \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_{\text{SV}}} c_{\alpha}^{(i)} V_{\alpha a}$$

*Subspace Coefficients*

The basis vectors are the components that contribute most to the **log-likelihood**

\*somewhat inspired by gravitational wave analyses [e.g. Roulet+19]

# Data Compression via Subspace Projection

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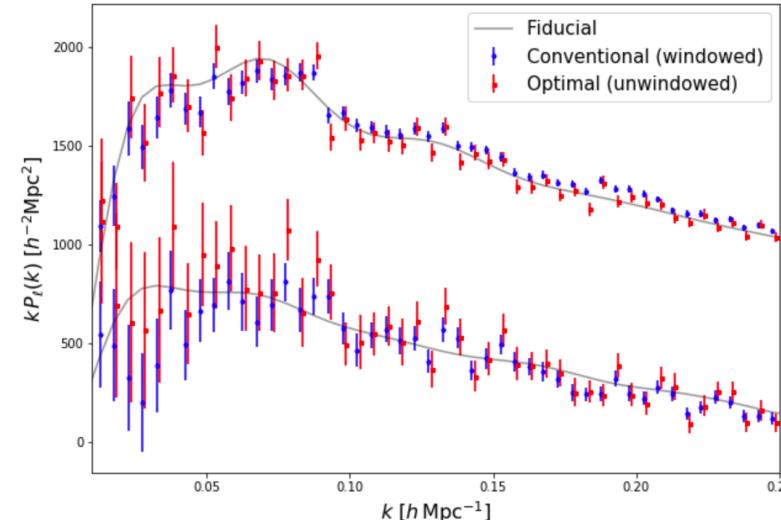
- This is the **best** linear compression for a **specific** analysis
- The subspace covariance is almost **diagonal**
- Can set the **number** of basis vectors **robustly** by fixing  $\chi^2$ -error
- Can estimate coefficients **optimally** and **directly**

For BOSS 10-parameter analysis:

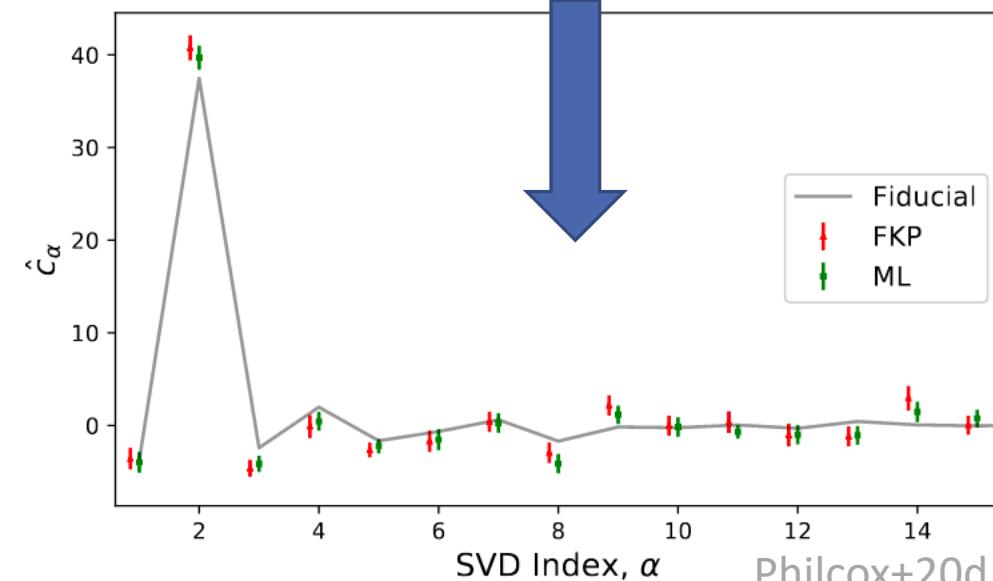
- 96-bin  $P(k)$  ----> **12** subspace coefficients with  $\Delta\chi^2 < 0.1$
- 2135-bin  $B(k_1, k_2)$  ----> **8** subspace coefficients

This is applicable to **any** analysis given:

1. Theory Model
2. Parameter Priors
3. Rough Covariance Estimate



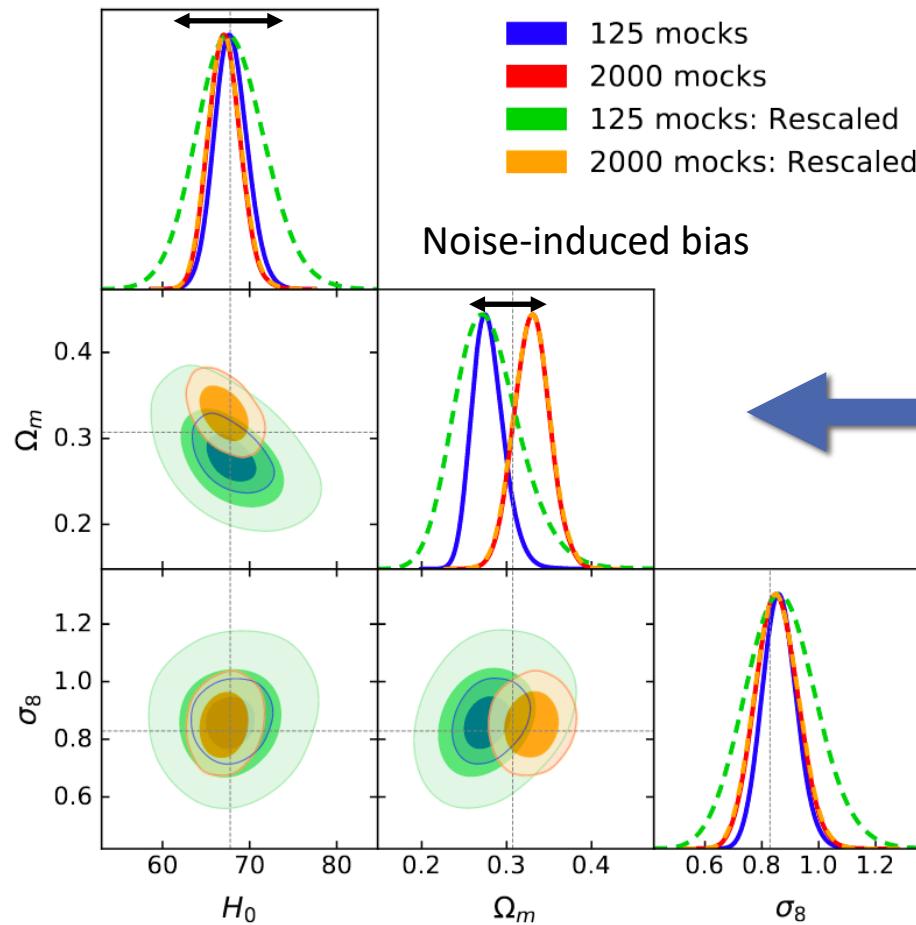
Power Spectrum



Subspace Coefficients

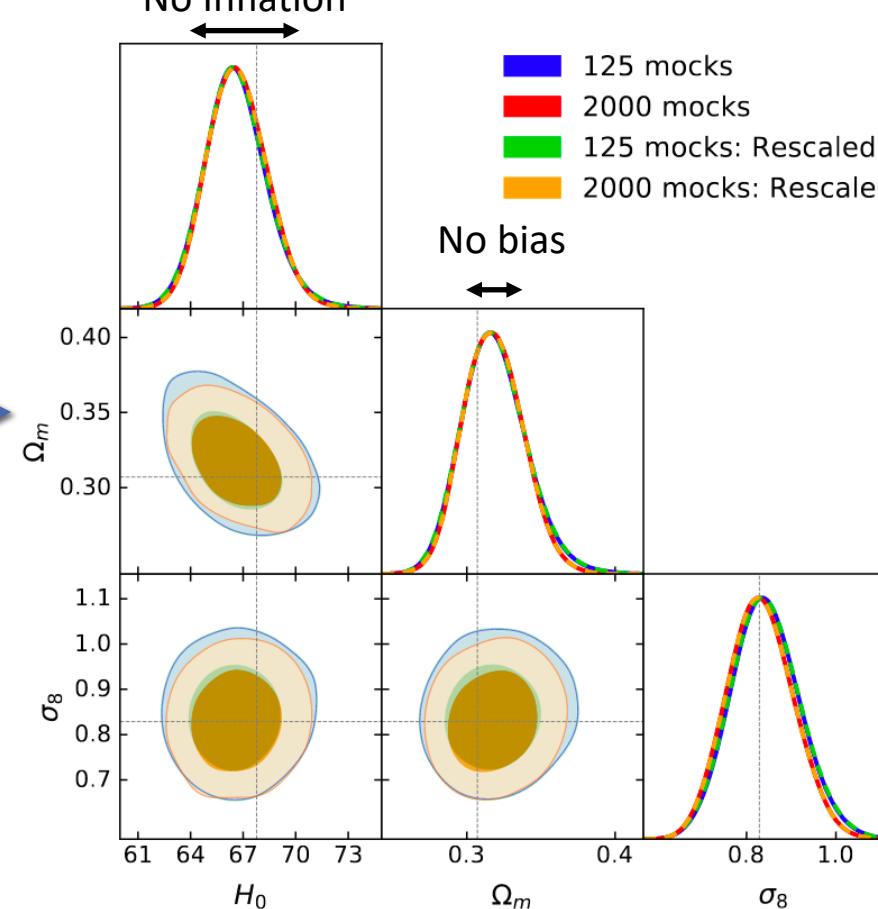
# Too Few Mocks $\rightarrow$ Parameter Biases

Error Inflation

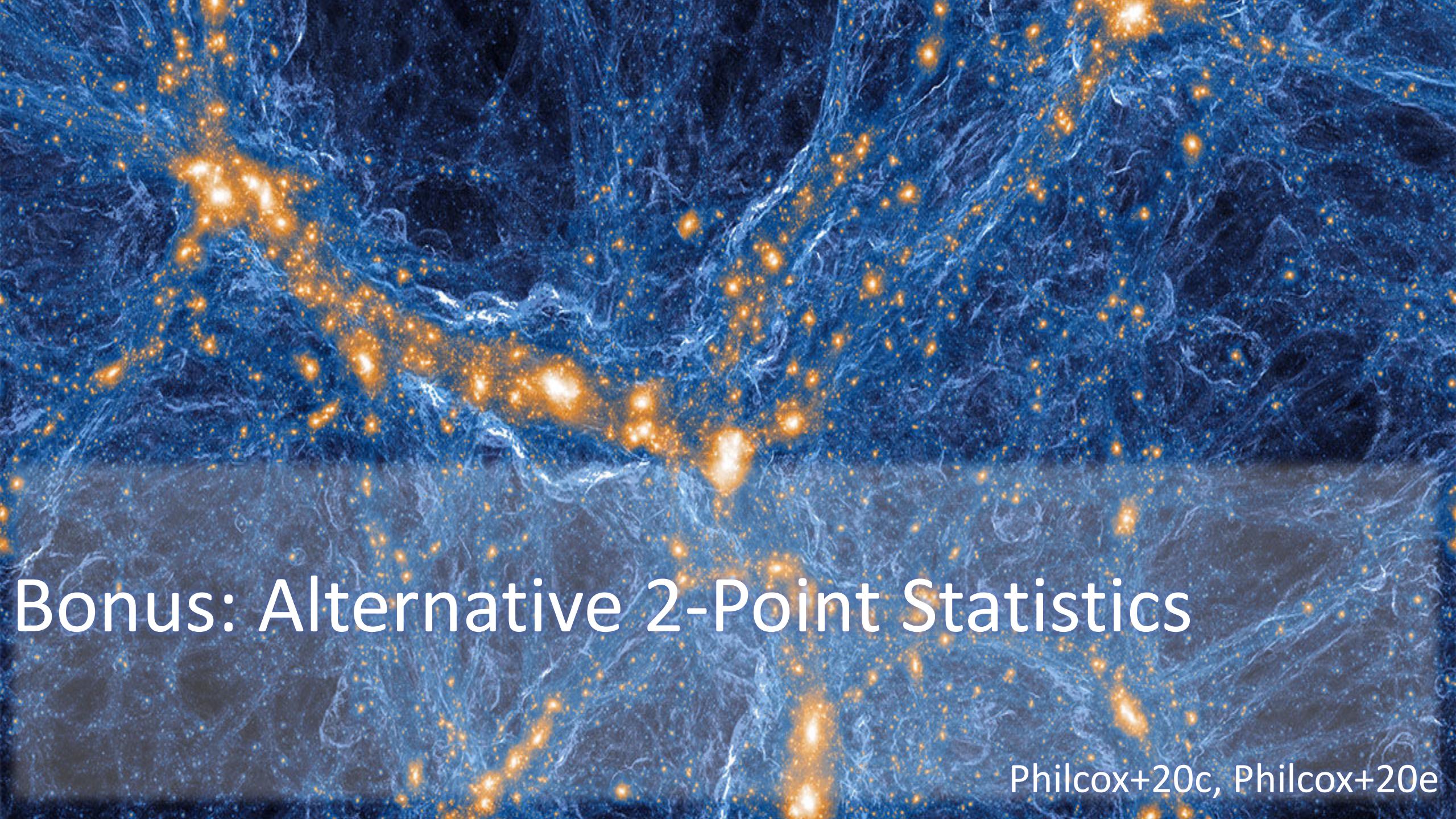


(a) 96-bin Power Spectrum

No Inflation



(c) 12 Subspace Coefficients

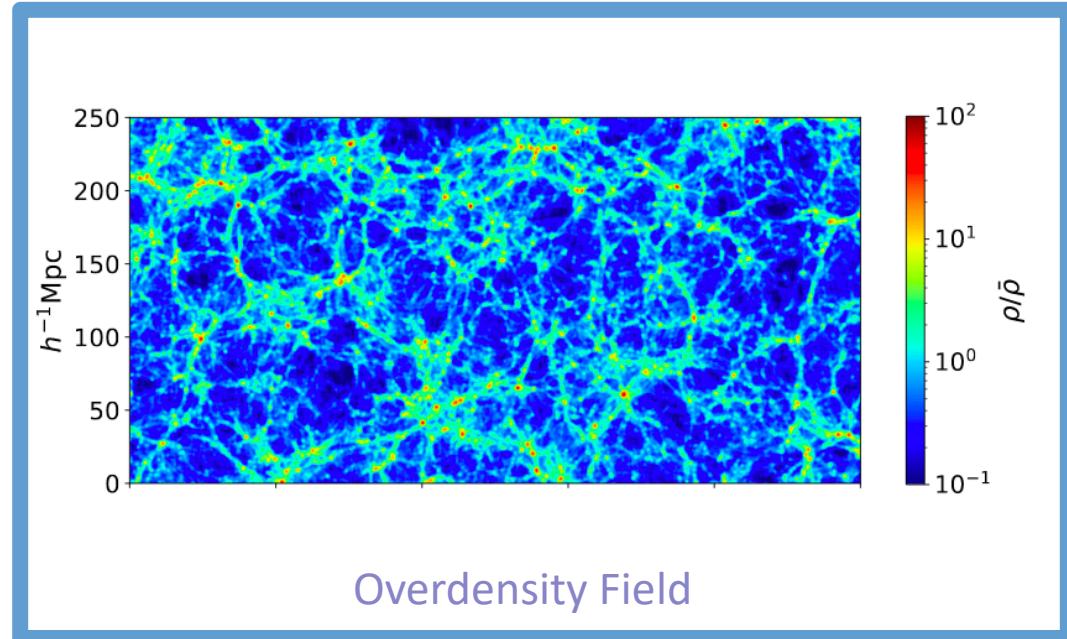


# Bonus: Alternative 2-Point Statistics

Philcox+20c, Philcox+20e

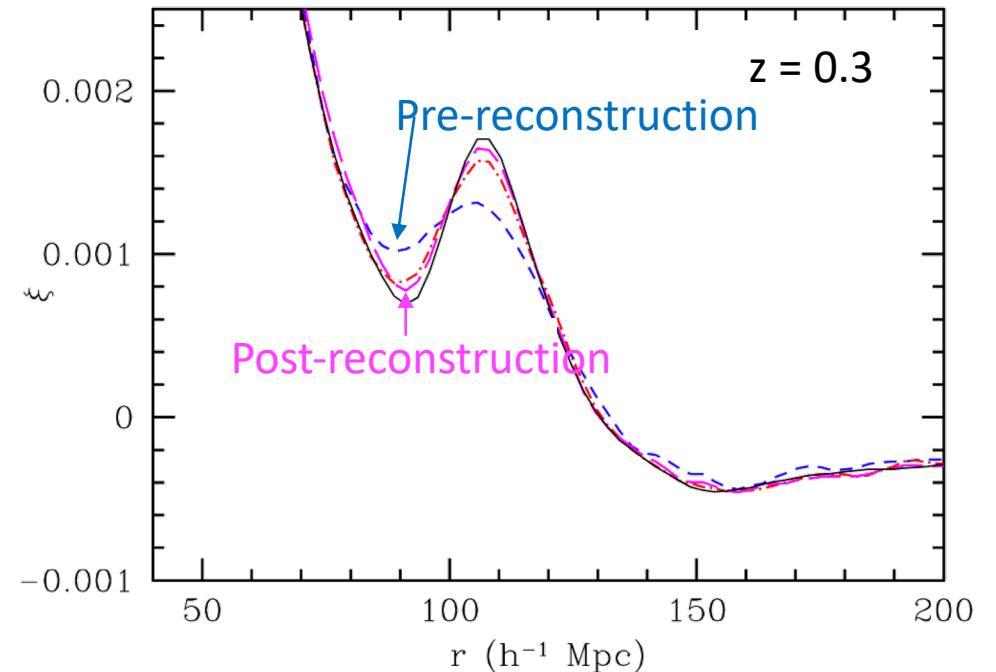
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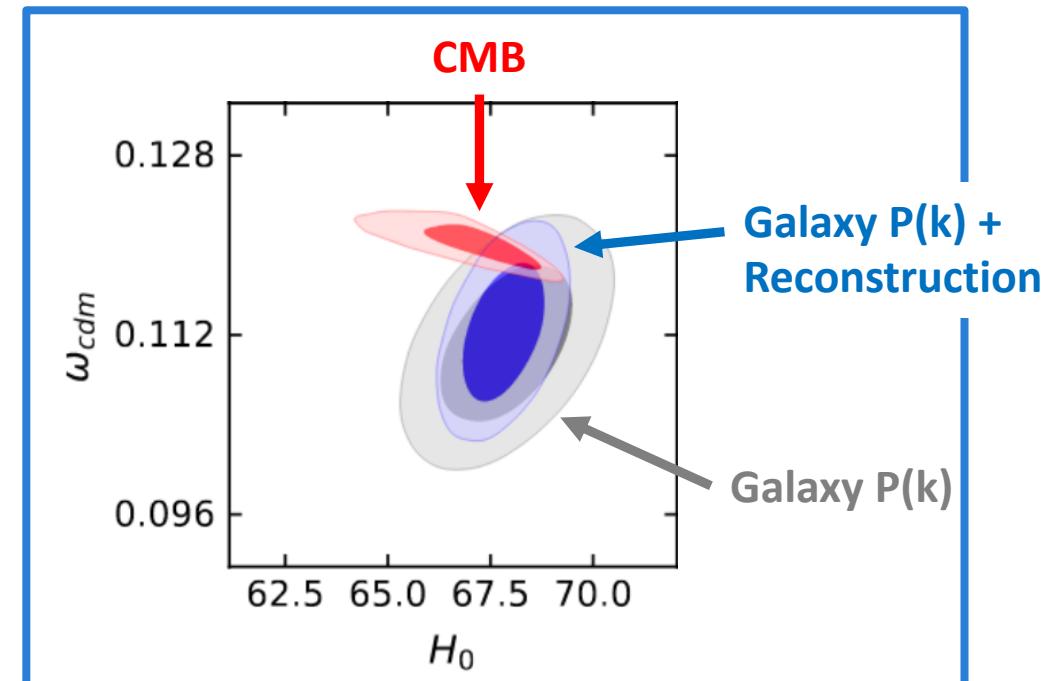
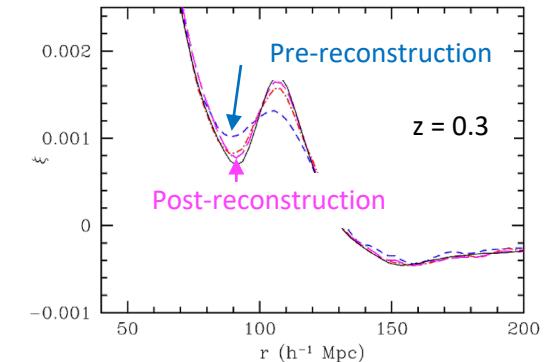
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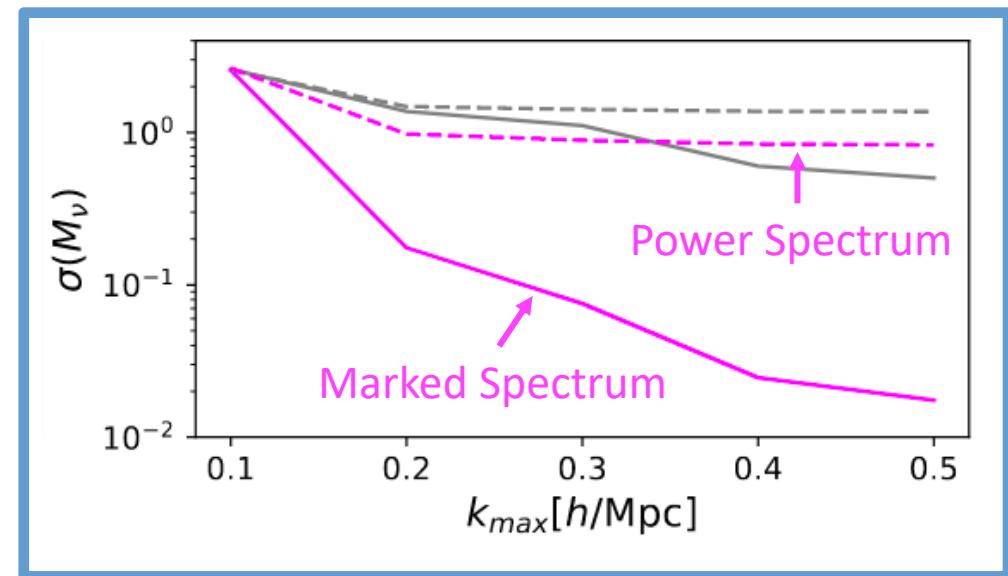
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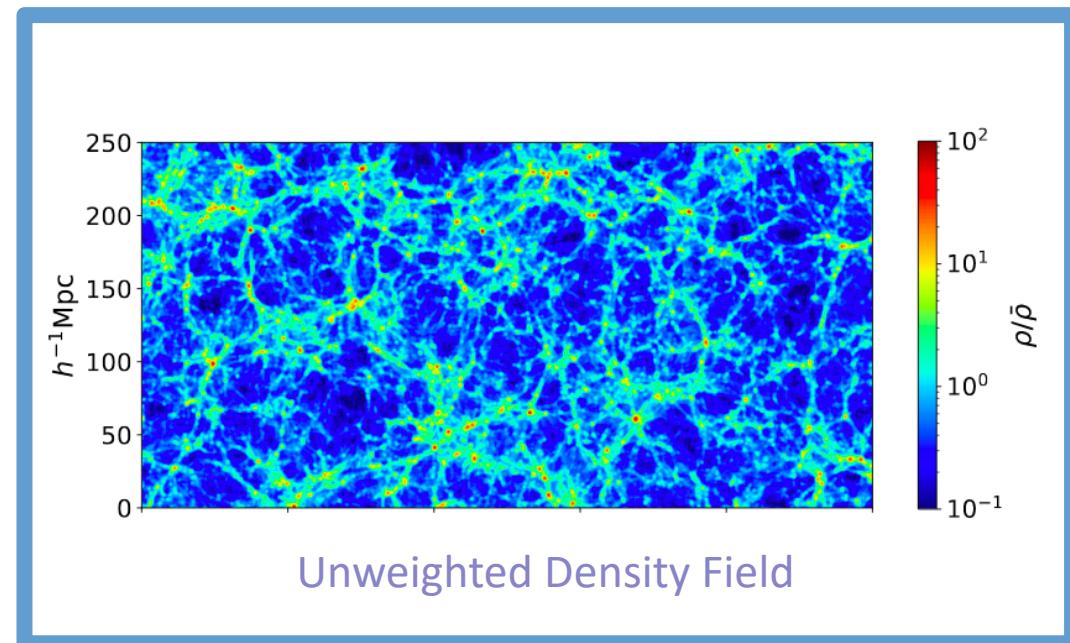
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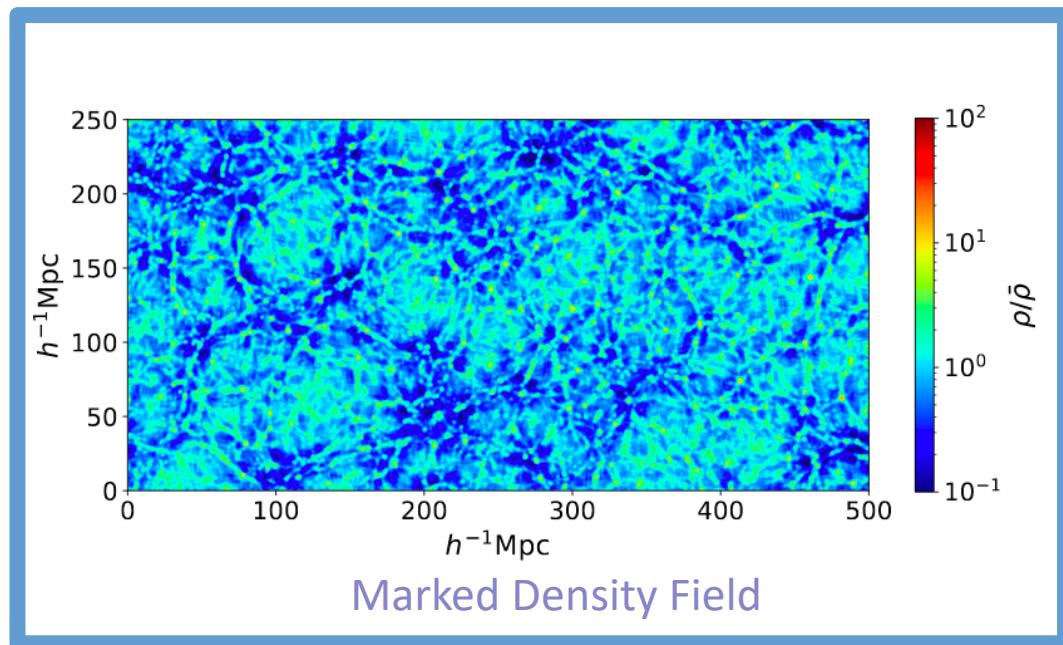
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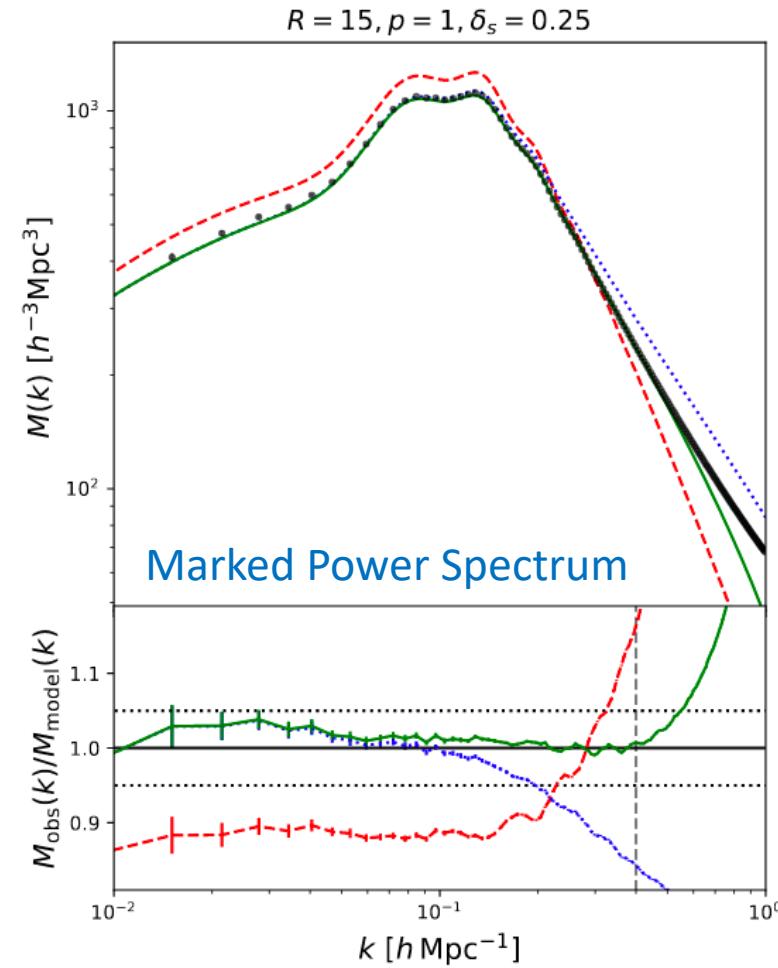
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- Controlled by **mark parameters**:
  - Exponent  $p$  ( $p > 0$  to upweight low-density regions)
  - Cut-off  $\delta_s$
  - Smoothing scale,  $R$
- For **real-space matter**, significantly enhances constraints on parameters including:
  - **Neutrino masses** [Massara+20]
  - **Modified gravity** [White 16]



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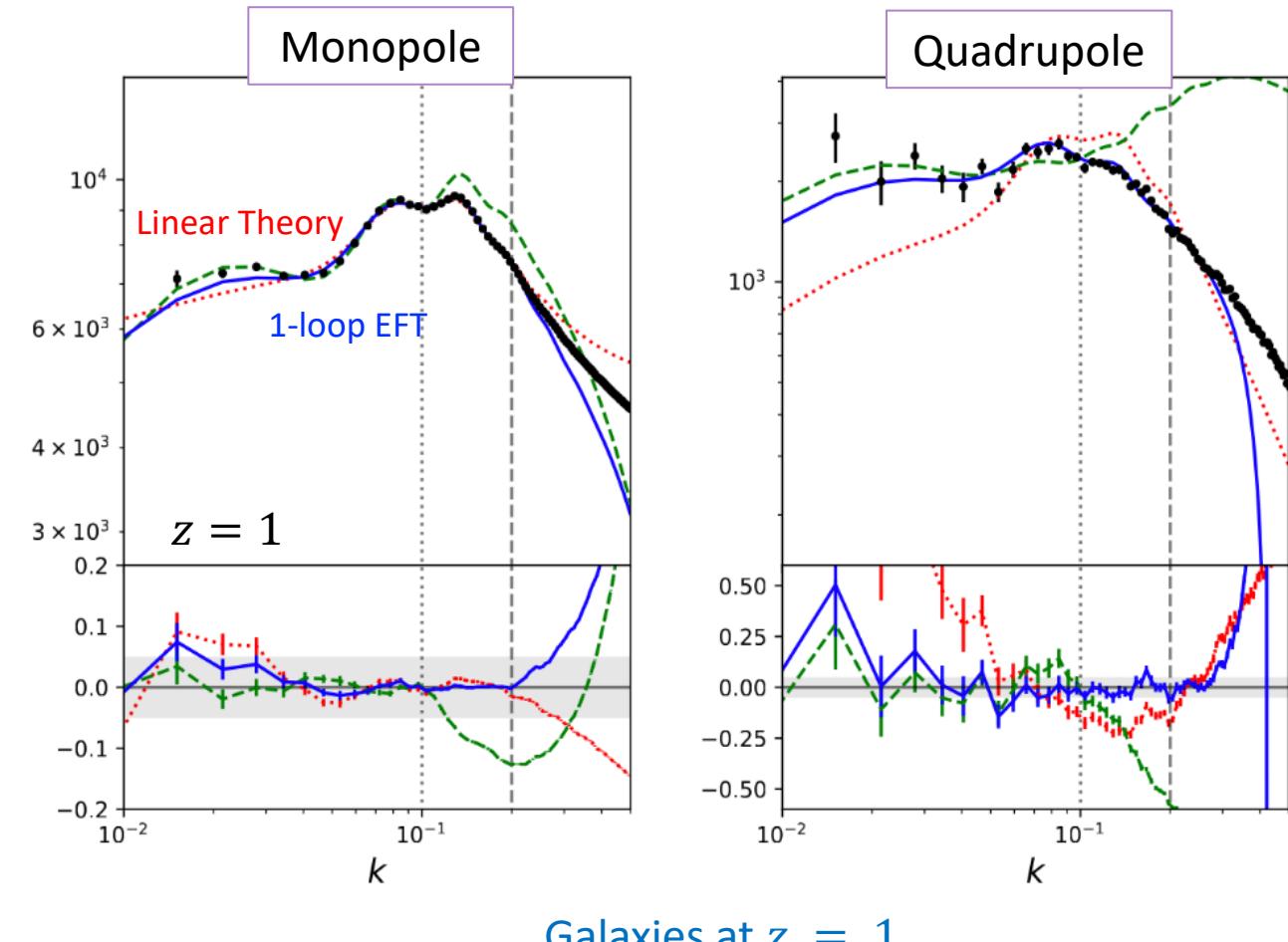


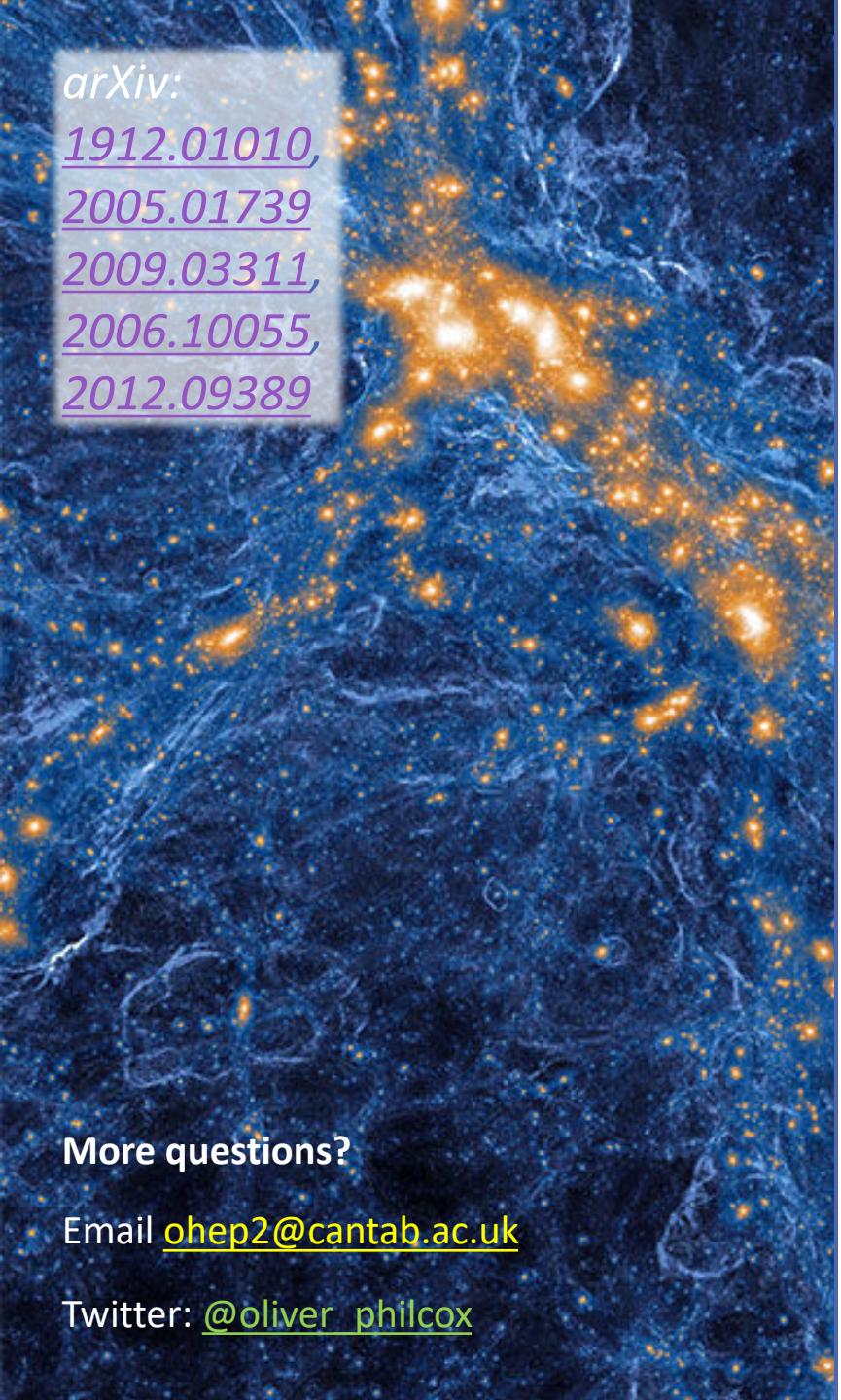
Matter at  $z = 1$

Massara+20, Philcox+20ce

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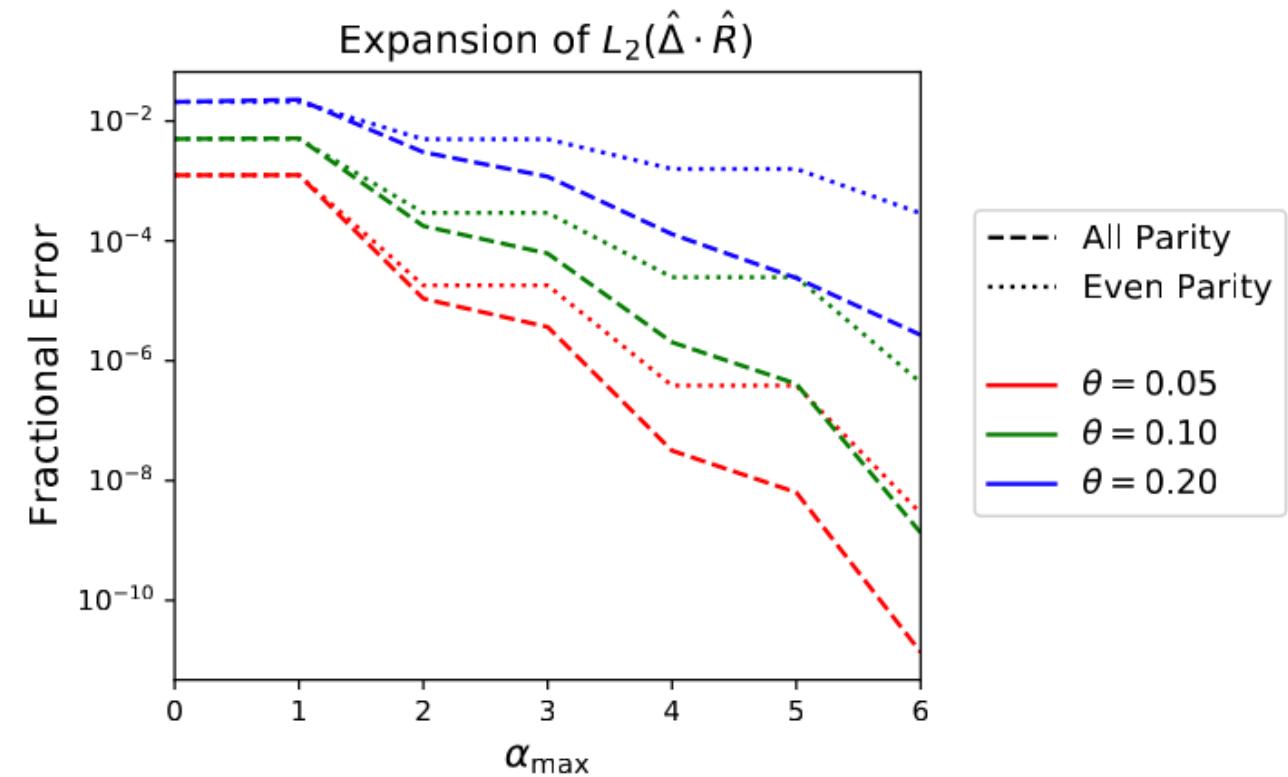
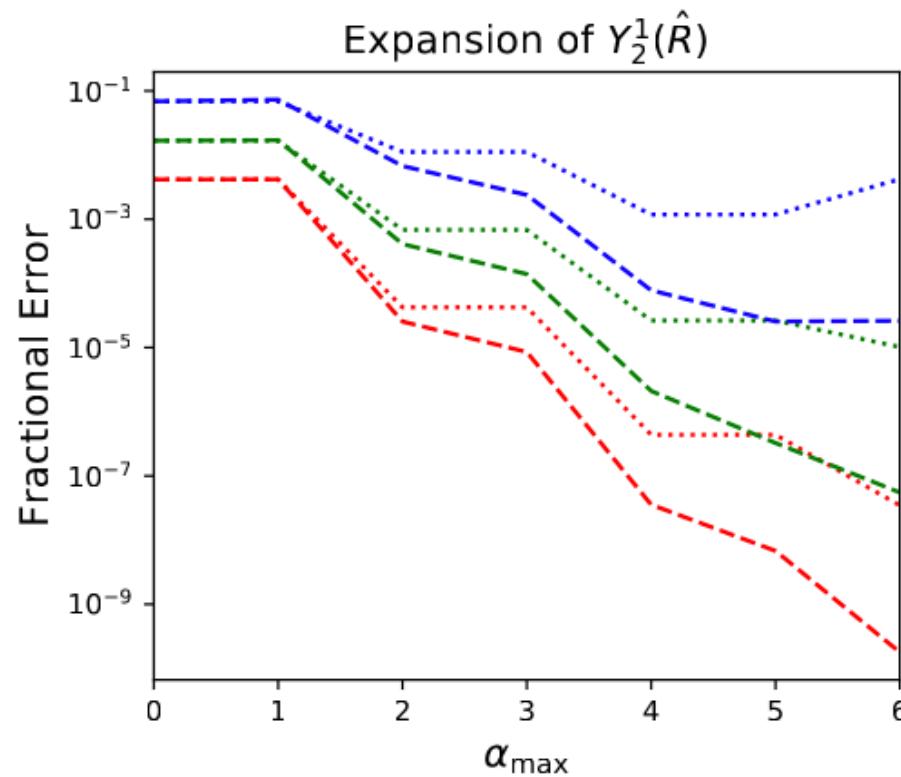
# Conclusions

- We're not finished with the galaxy power spectrum yet!
  
- Recent updates include:
  - More accurate lines-of-sight
  - Closer to optimal large-scale  $P_\ell(k)$  estimation
  - Faster small-scale computation *without* FFTs
  - Powerful analysis-specific data compression

*Coming soon:*

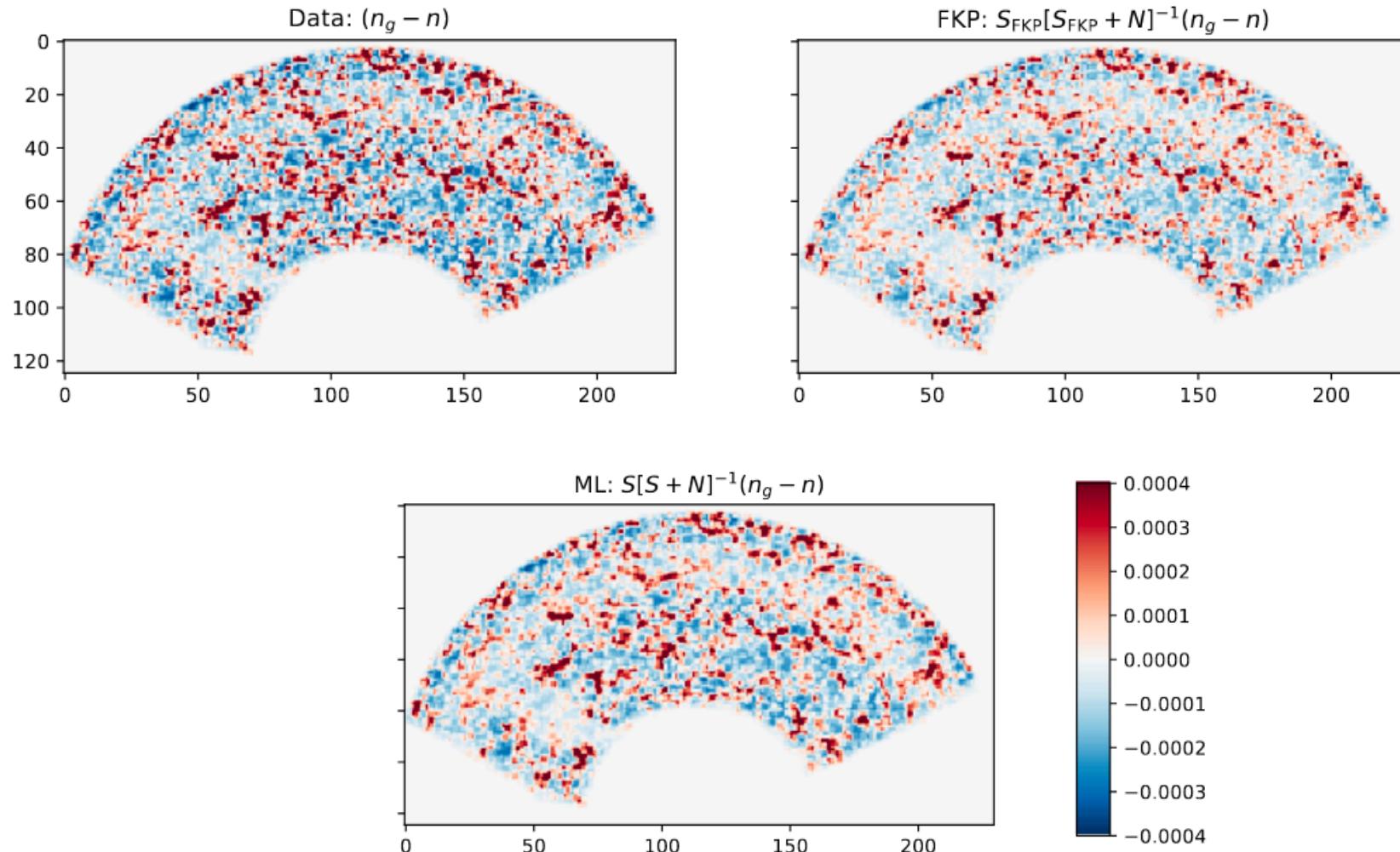
- Estimating the bispectrum and beyond!

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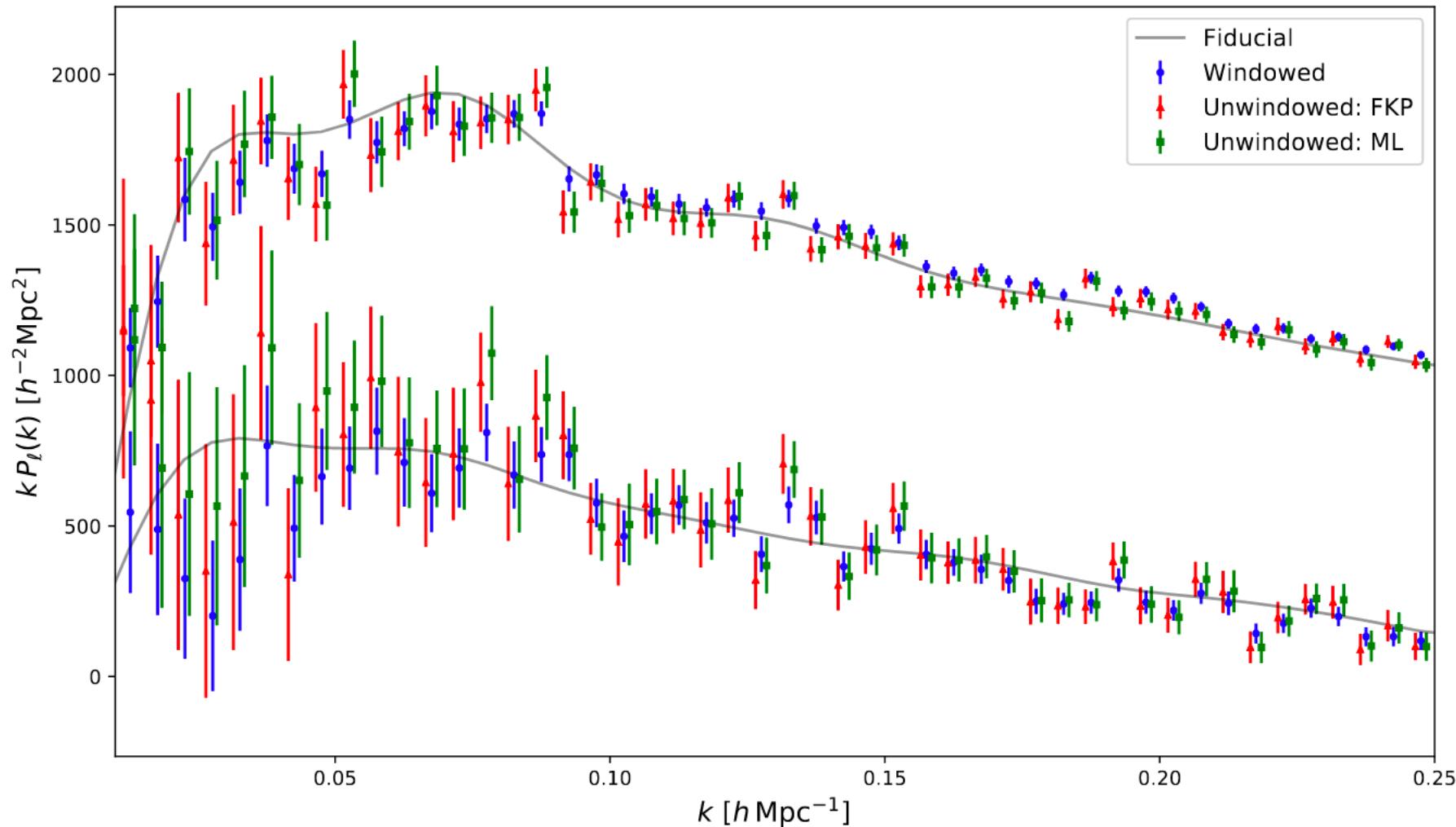


- - - All Parity
- · - Even Parity
- $\theta = 0.05$
- $\theta = 0.10$
- $\theta = 0.20$

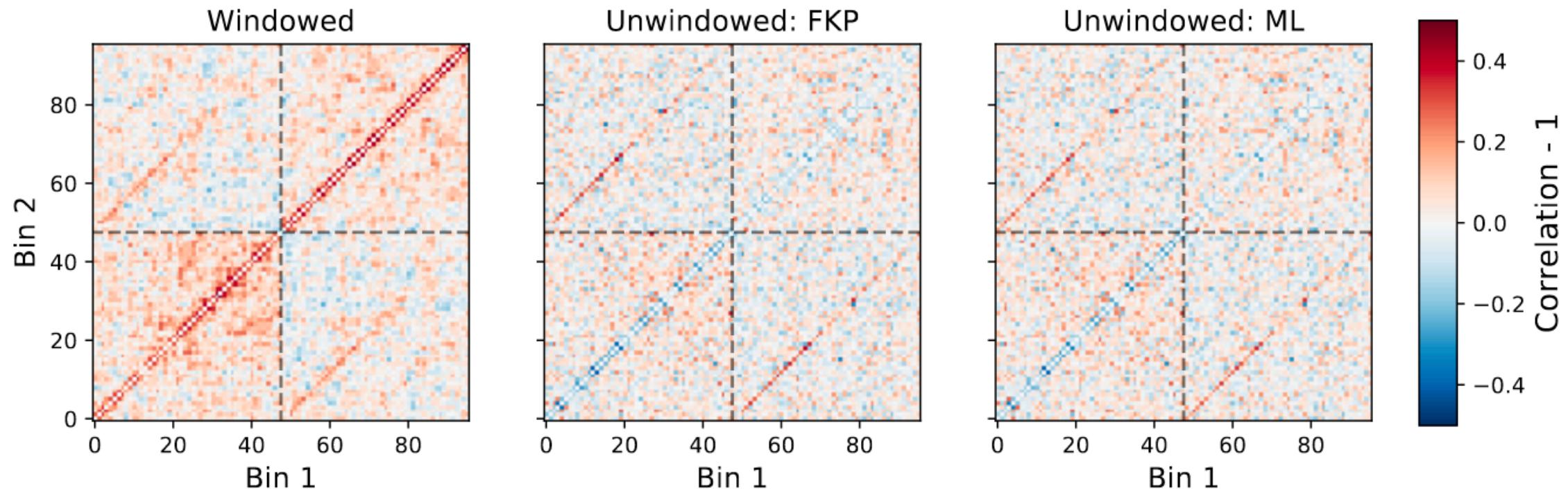
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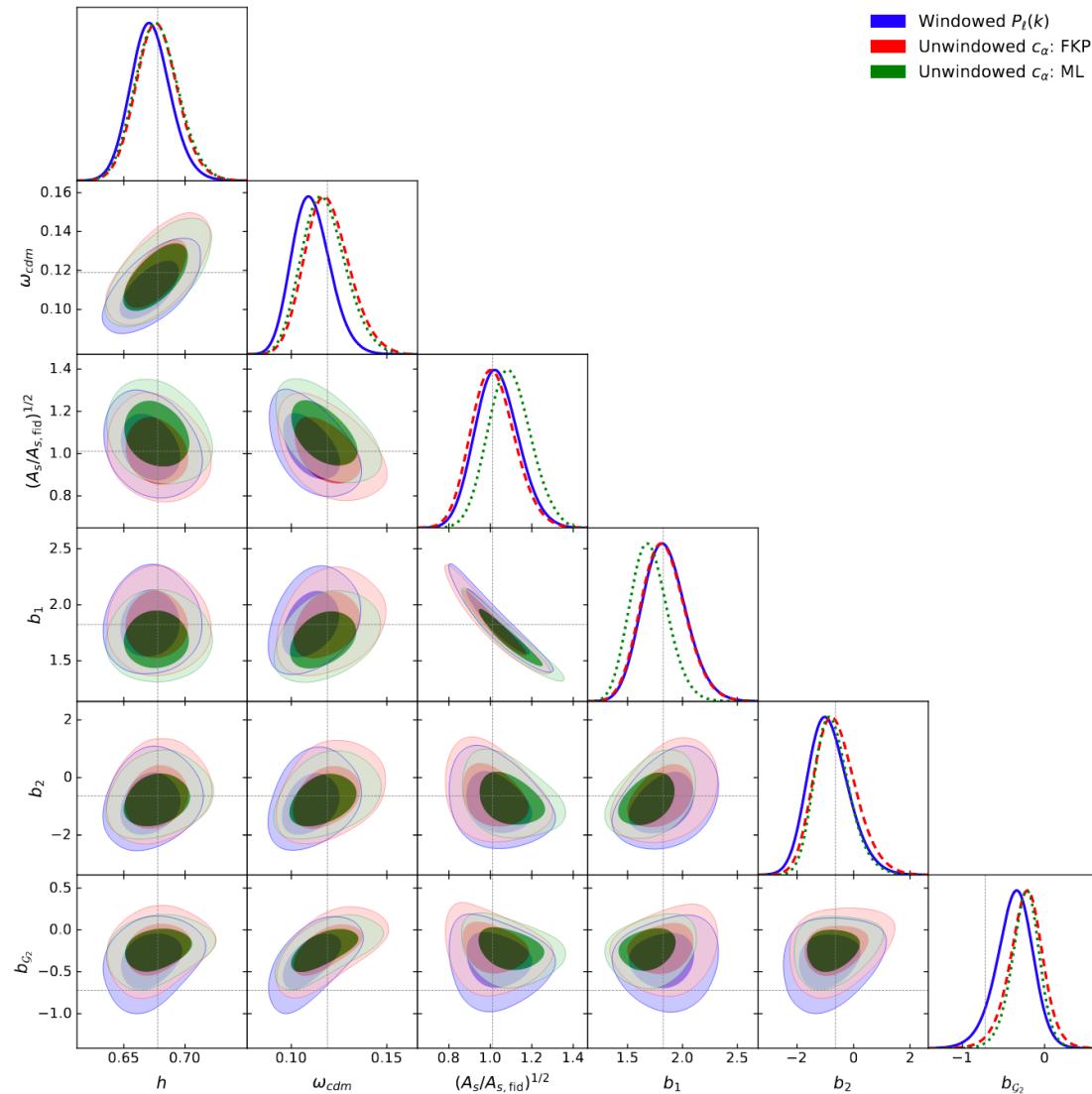
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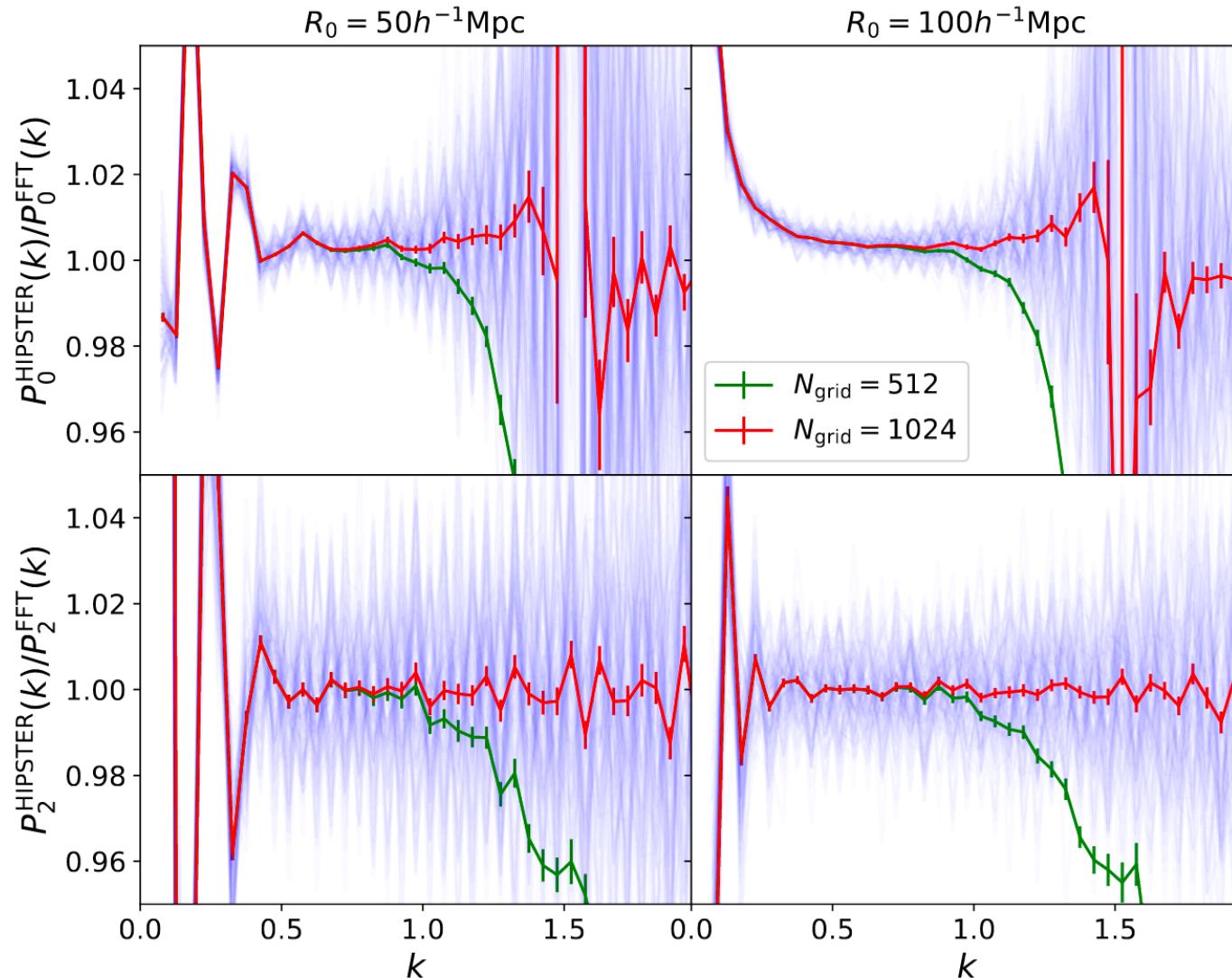
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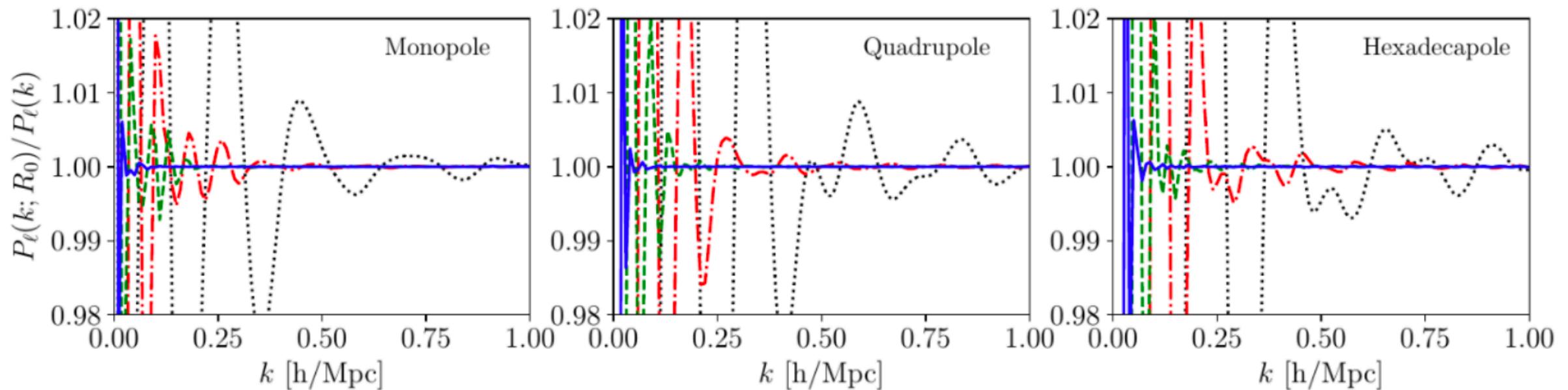
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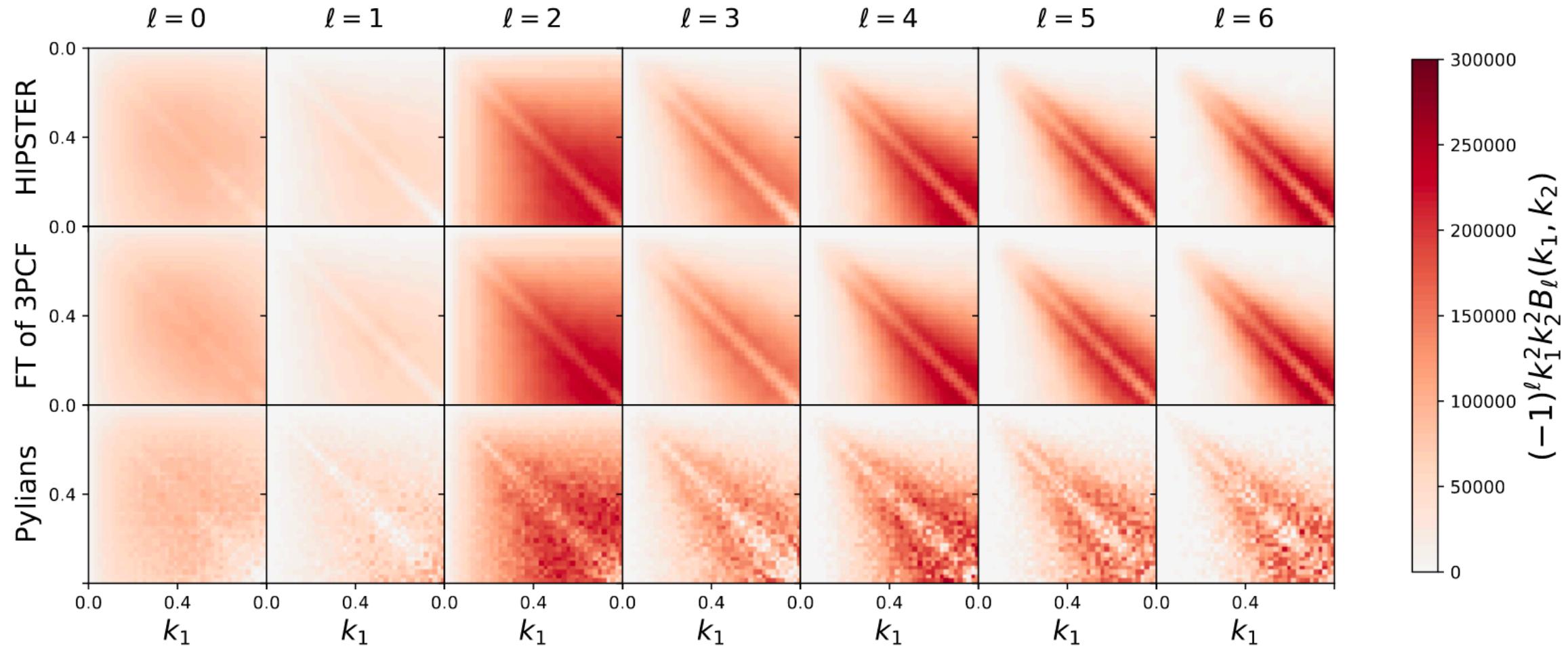
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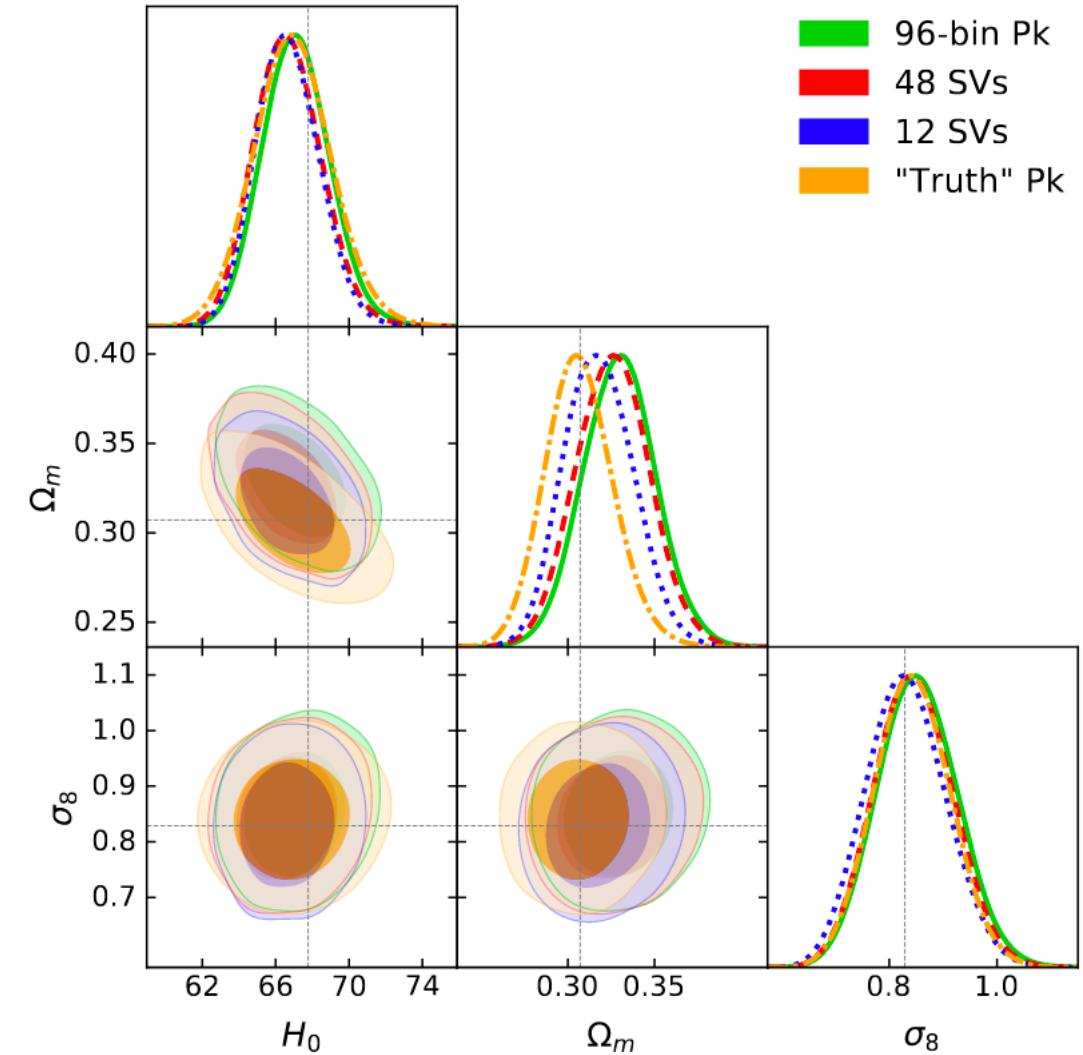
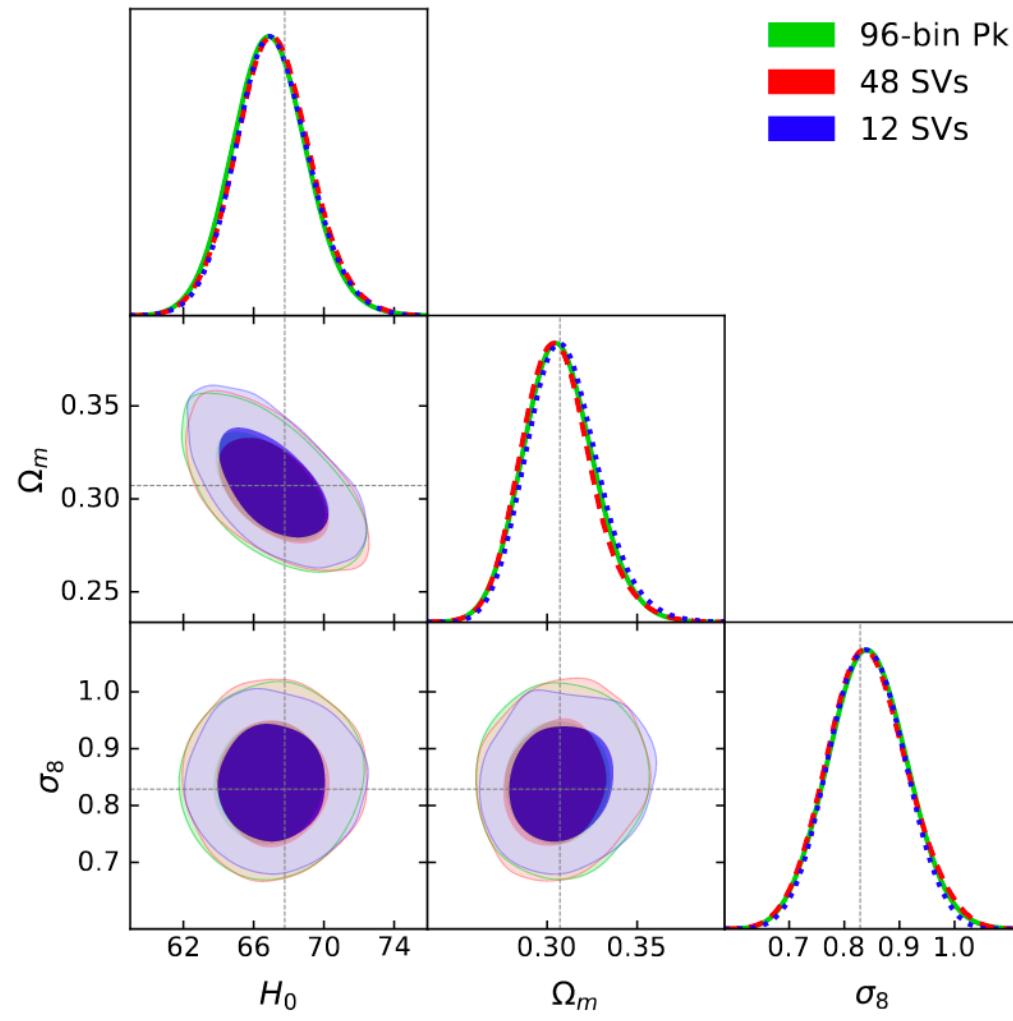
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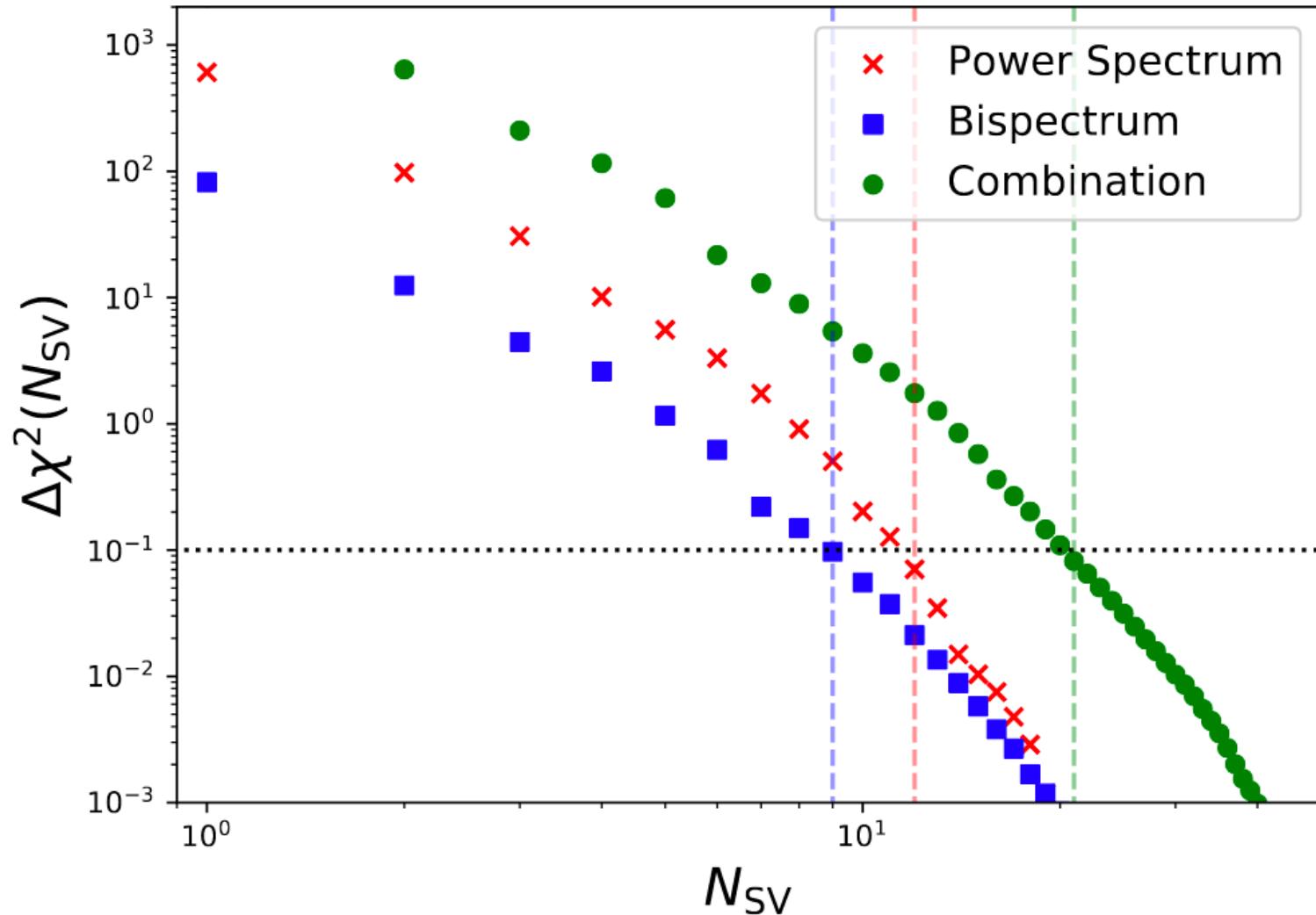
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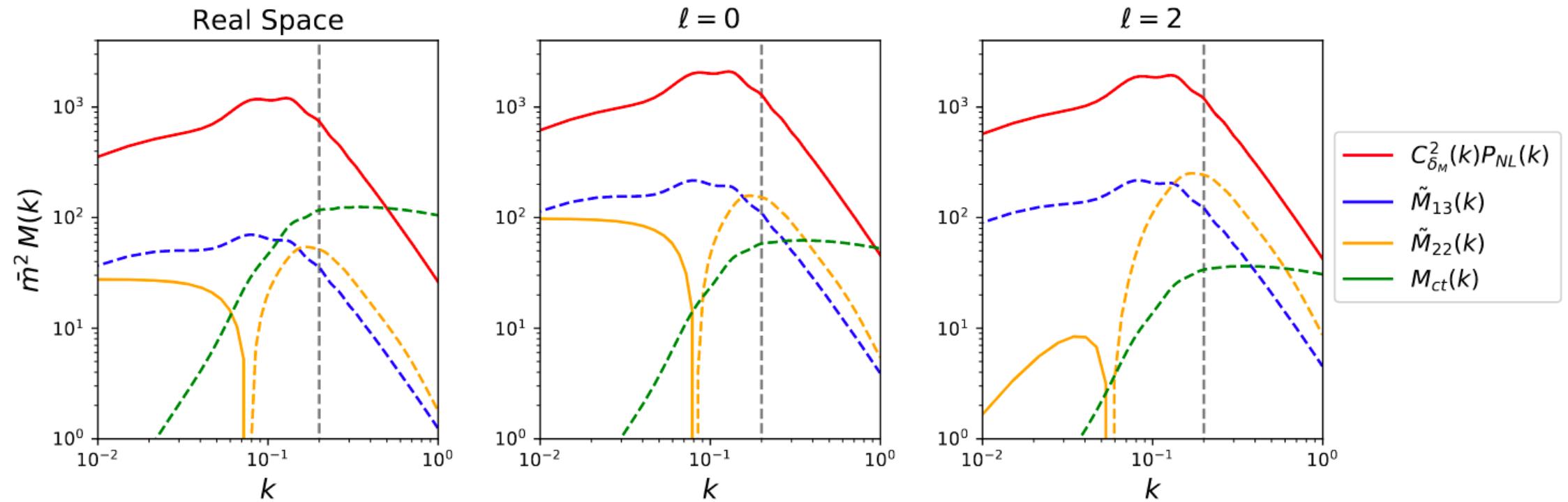
# Compression: Mean of Mocks & Single Mock



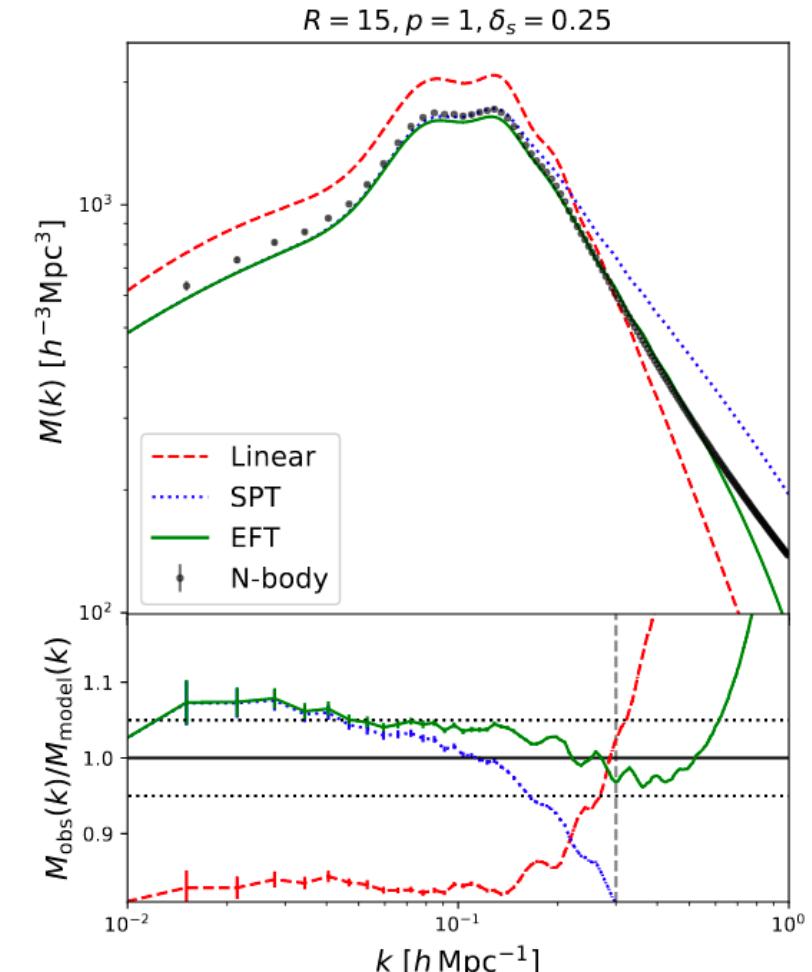
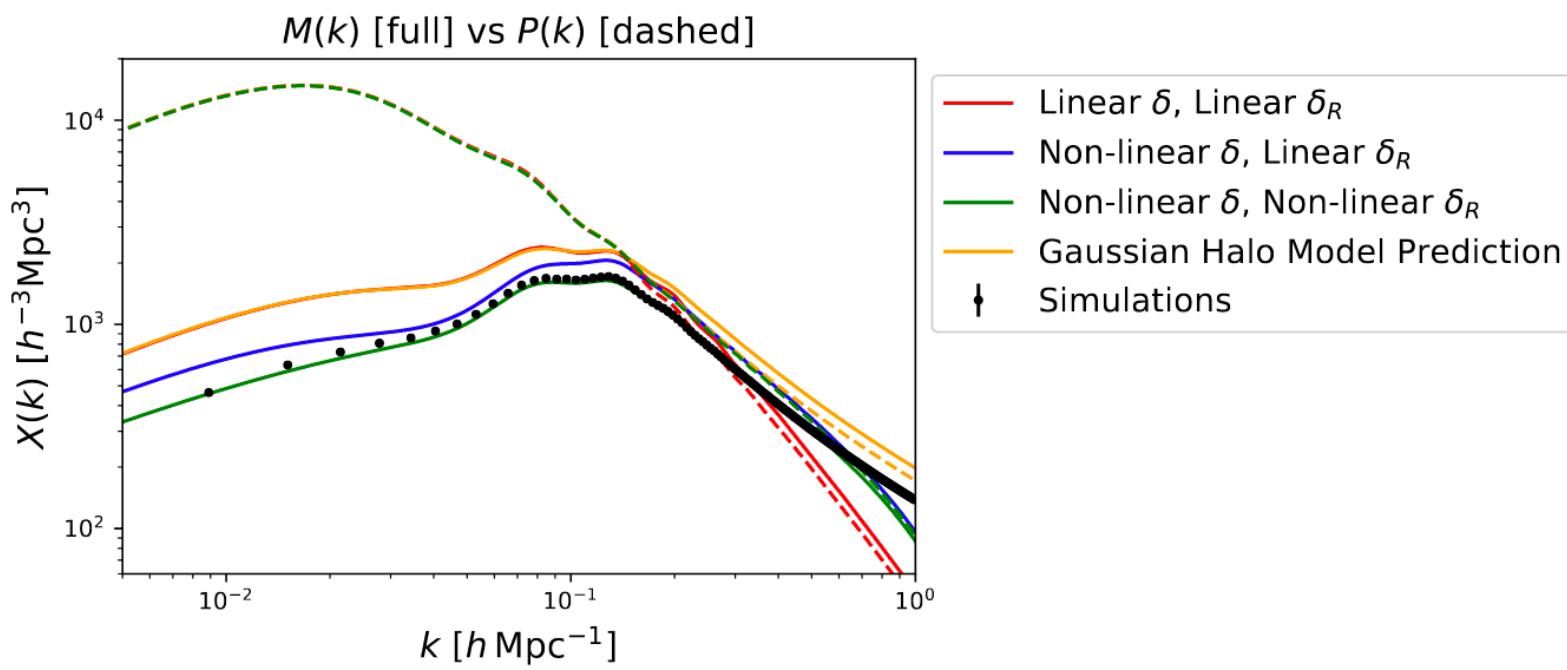
# Compression: Number of Basis Vectors



# Marked Spectra: Matter Contributions



# Marked Spectra: Information Content & Low- $z$



(a)  $z = 0.5$