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Cosmology with the Marked Density Field

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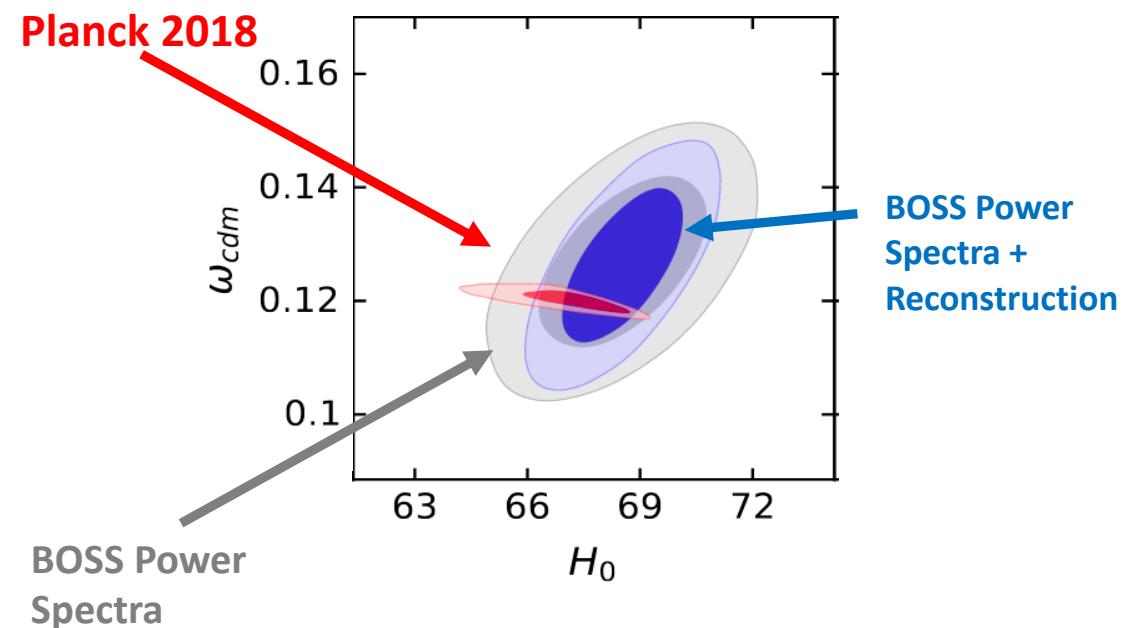
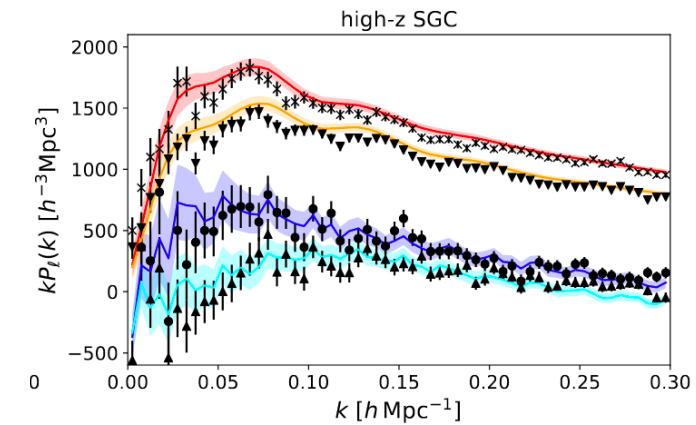
Eisenstein Group Meeting, CfA

Based on:

- Philcox, Massara & Spergel (2020, arXiv: [2004.09515](https://arxiv.org/abs/2004.09515))
- Philcox, Aviles & Massara (in prep., arXiv: [2010.XXXXX](https://arxiv.org/abs/2010.XXXXX))

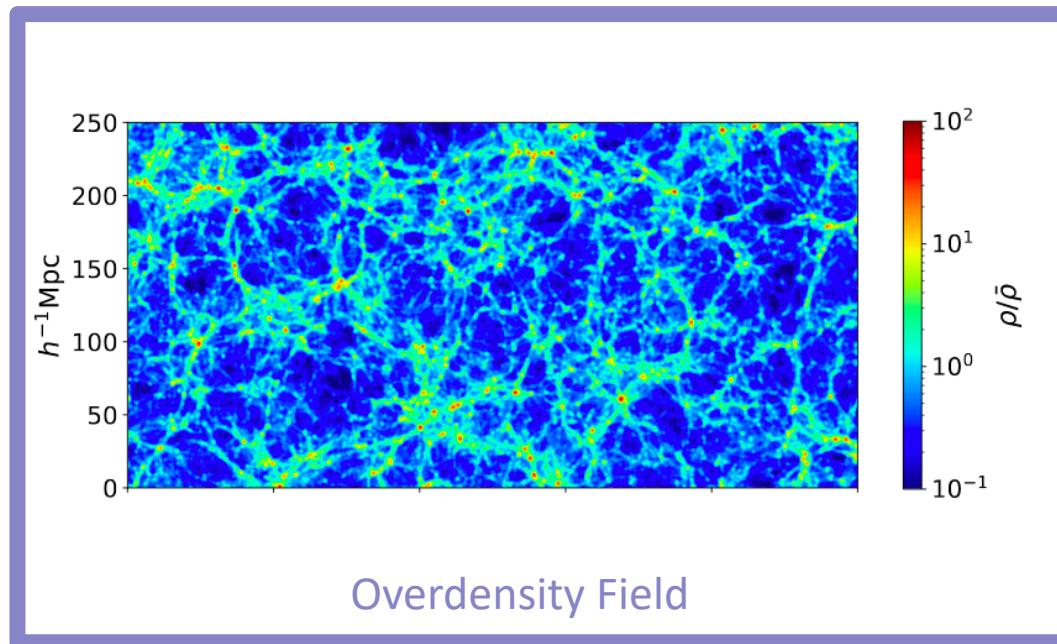
Cosmology from Large Scale Structure

- Large Scale Structure gives **comparable** constraints to the **CMB**
 - Major probe: statistics of galaxy positions from spectroscopic surveys
 - Usually measure galaxy **power spectra**, which encodes:
 - Baryon Acoustic Oscillations
 - Equality Scale
- And thus Ω_m , ω_b , n_s , H_0 , $\sum m_\nu$, etc.



Beyond the Density Field

- Most conventional statistics involve the correlation functions of the **overdensity** field, δ
- If the Universe is Gaussian, the power spectrum of δ contains **all** cosmological information
- For a **non-Gaussian** universe, **low-density regions** carry a lot of cosmological information, and contribute little to δ [e.g. Pisani+19]
- Various alternative statistics have been proposed:
 - Reconstructed Density Fields [e.g. Eisenstein+07]
 - Log-normal Transforms [Neyrinck+09, Wang+11]
 - Gaussianized Density Fields [Weinberg 92, Neyrinck+17]
 - **Marked Density Fields** [Stoyan 84, White 16, Massara+20]



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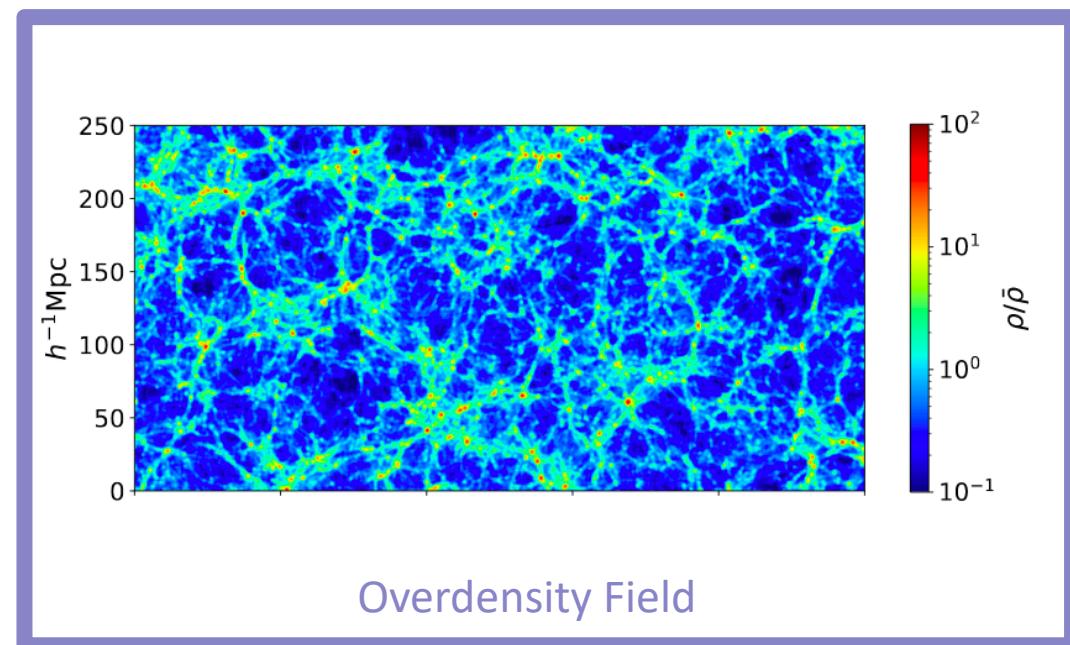
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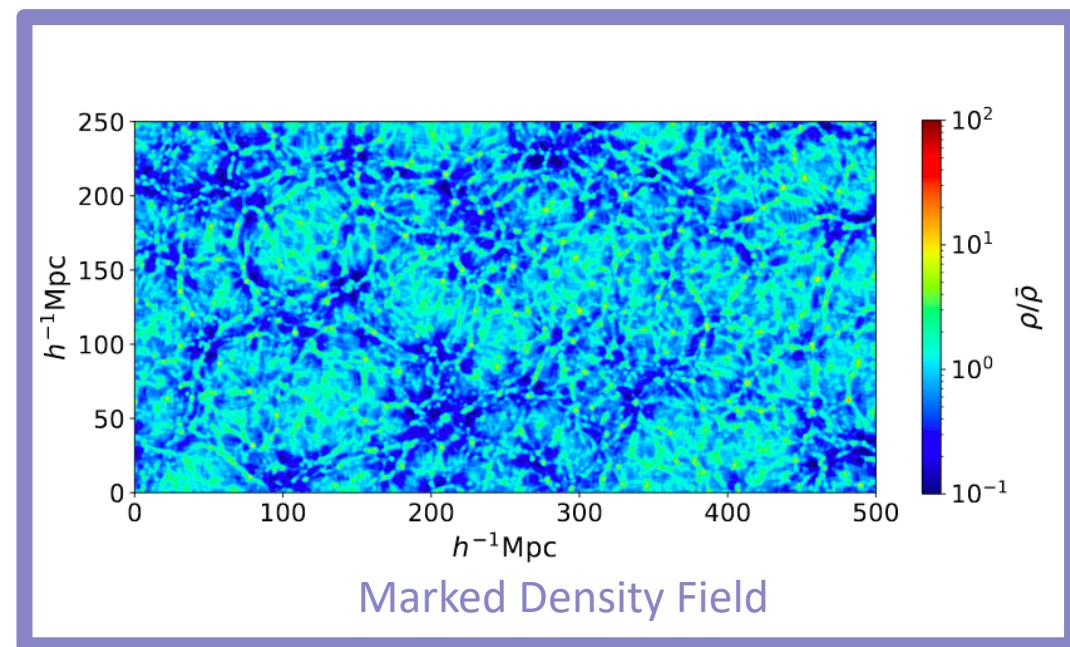
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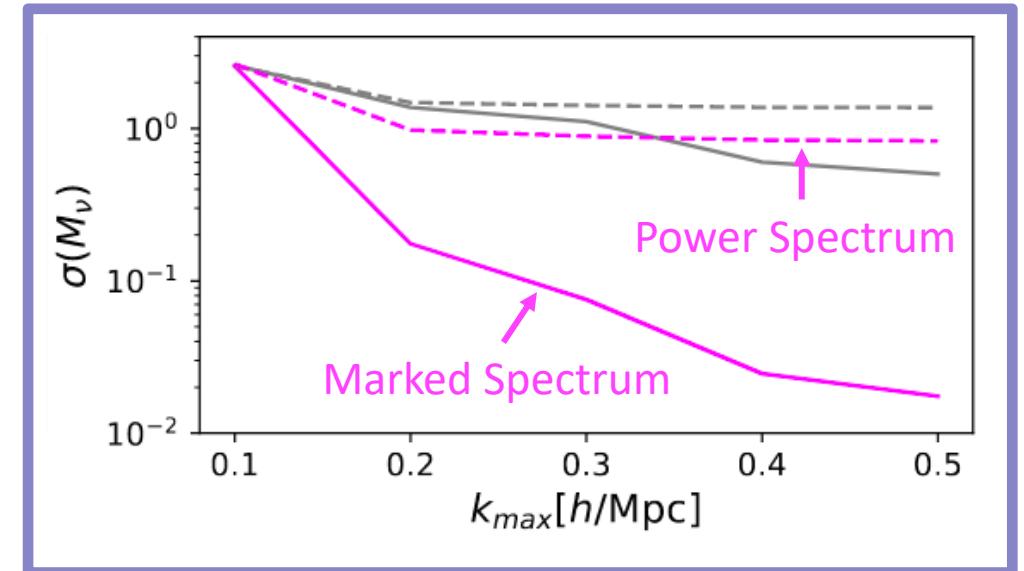
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Fisher Matrix Constraints on Neutrino Mass

- Shown to give a **significant** increase in cosmological information for **real-space matter**, particularly:
 - **Neutrino masses** [Massara+20]
 - **Modified gravity** [White 16]

EFT of LSS: A Lightning Introduction

Effective Field Theory [e.g. Carrasco+12, Baumann+12]

- Treat the Universe as an **imperfect** fluid, including **viscosity** etc.
- Expansion variable: **smoothed** overdensity field $\delta_\Lambda(x)$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\delta}_\Lambda + \nabla \cdot [(1 + \delta_\Lambda) \mathbf{v}_\Lambda] &= 0 \\ \dot{\mathbf{v}}_\Lambda + (\mathbf{v}_\Lambda \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{v}_\Lambda &= -\mathcal{H} \mathbf{v}_\Lambda - \nabla \phi_\Lambda - \frac{1}{\rho_\Lambda} \nabla \underline{\tau}\end{aligned}$$

Theory is an **expansion** in terms of non-Gaussian **loop** corrections:

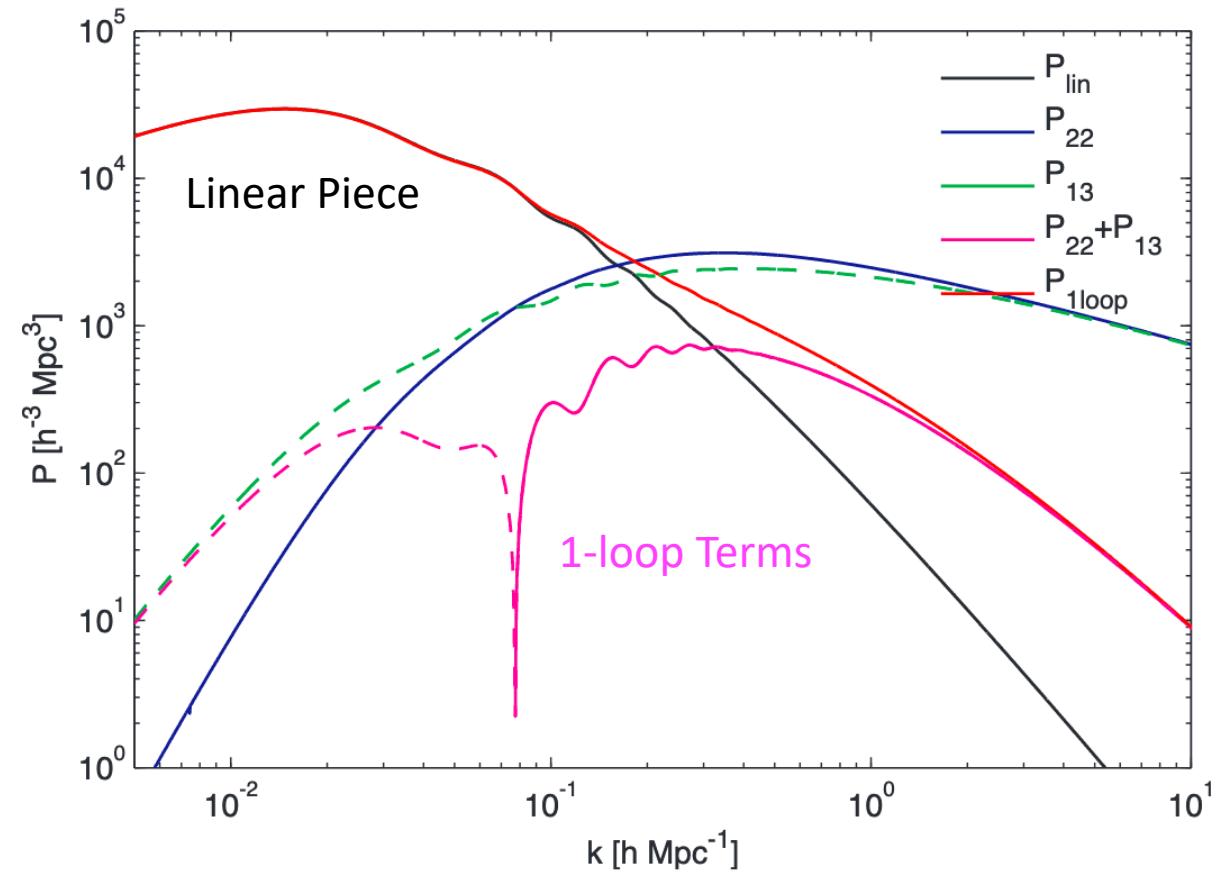
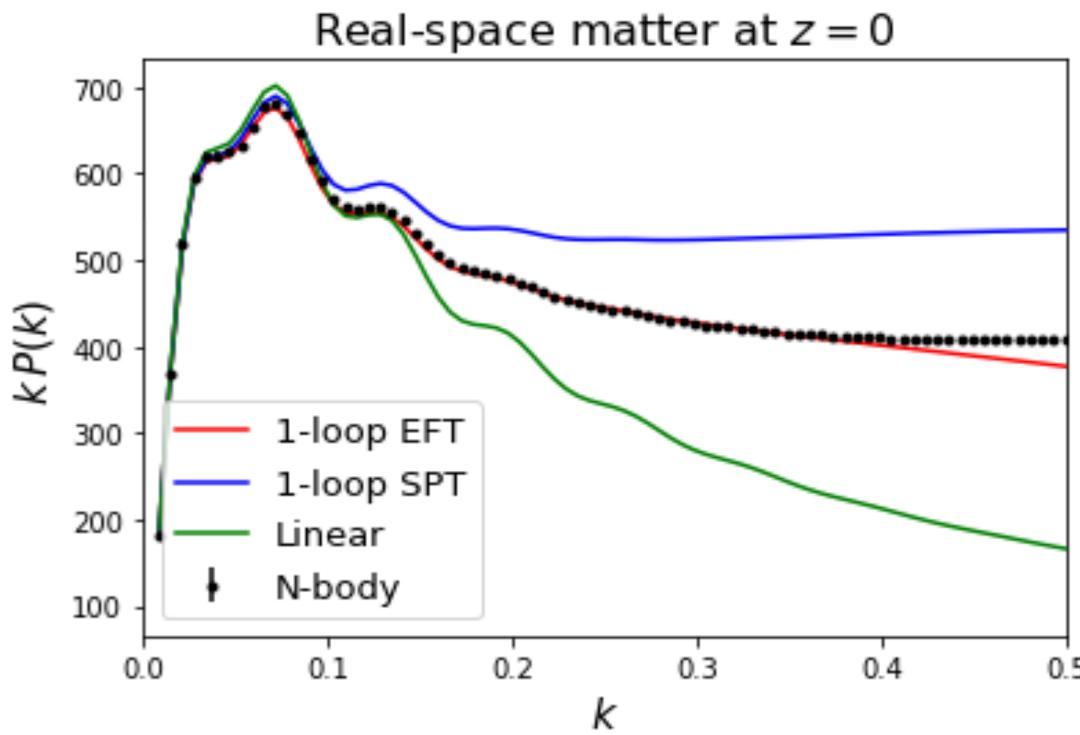
$$P(k) = P_{\text{lin}}(k) + \underbrace{P_{22,\Lambda}(k) + 2P_{13,\Lambda}(k)}_{\text{1-loop } (\sim P_L^2(k))} - 2c_{s,\Lambda}^2 k^2 P_{\text{lin}}(k)$$

Linear Counterterm

Counterterm encodes **backreaction** of small-scale physics on **large-scale** modes via **free parameter** $c_{s,\Lambda}^2$

EFT of LSS: Predicting $P(k)$ for Matter

- EFT provides **accurate** models of the **matter** power spectrum up to wavenumbers $k \approx 0.15h/\text{Mpc}$ at $z = 0$



EFT of LSS: Predicting $M(k)$ for Matter

- Start by Taylor expanding the mark $m(\mathbf{x})$:

$$\delta_M(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\rho_M(\mathbf{x}) - \bar{\rho}_M}{\bar{\rho}_M} = \frac{1}{\bar{m}} [1 + \delta(\mathbf{x})] [1 - C_1 \delta_R(\mathbf{x}) + C_2 \delta_R^2(\mathbf{x}) - C_3 \delta_R^3(\mathbf{x})] - 1 + \mathcal{O}(\delta^4)$$

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Marked Overdensity

Smoothed Overdensity

- Now create a perturbative solution:

$$\delta_M(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \left(\frac{1}{\bar{m}} - 1 \right) + \frac{1}{\bar{m}} \left(\delta_M^{(1)}(\mathbf{x}) + \delta_M^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}) + \delta_M^{(3)}(\mathbf{x}) + \delta_M^{(ct)}(\mathbf{x}) \right)$$

- This gives a straightforward theory:

$$M(\mathbf{k}) = |\delta_M(\mathbf{k})|^2 = \frac{1}{\bar{m}^2} [M_{11}(\mathbf{k}) + M_{22}(\mathbf{k}) + 2M_{13}(\mathbf{k}) + 2M_{ct}(\mathbf{k})]$$

Linear Theory
 $(\sim P_L(k))$

1-loop ($\sim P_L^2(k)$)

Counterterms
 $(\sim k^2 P_L(k))$

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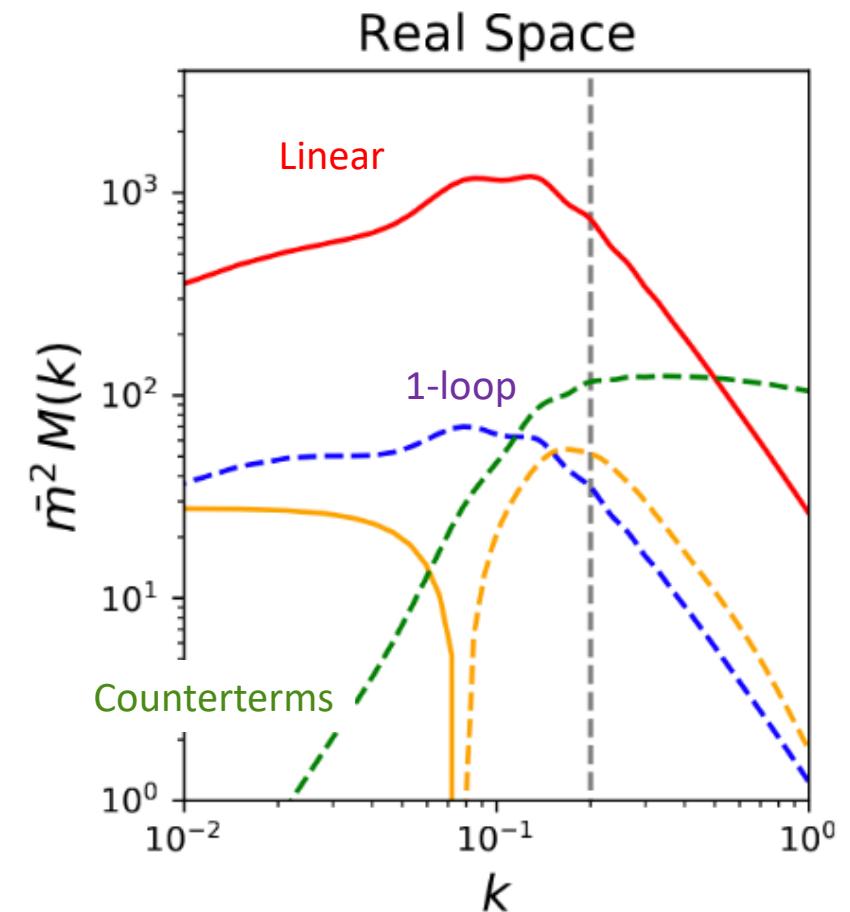
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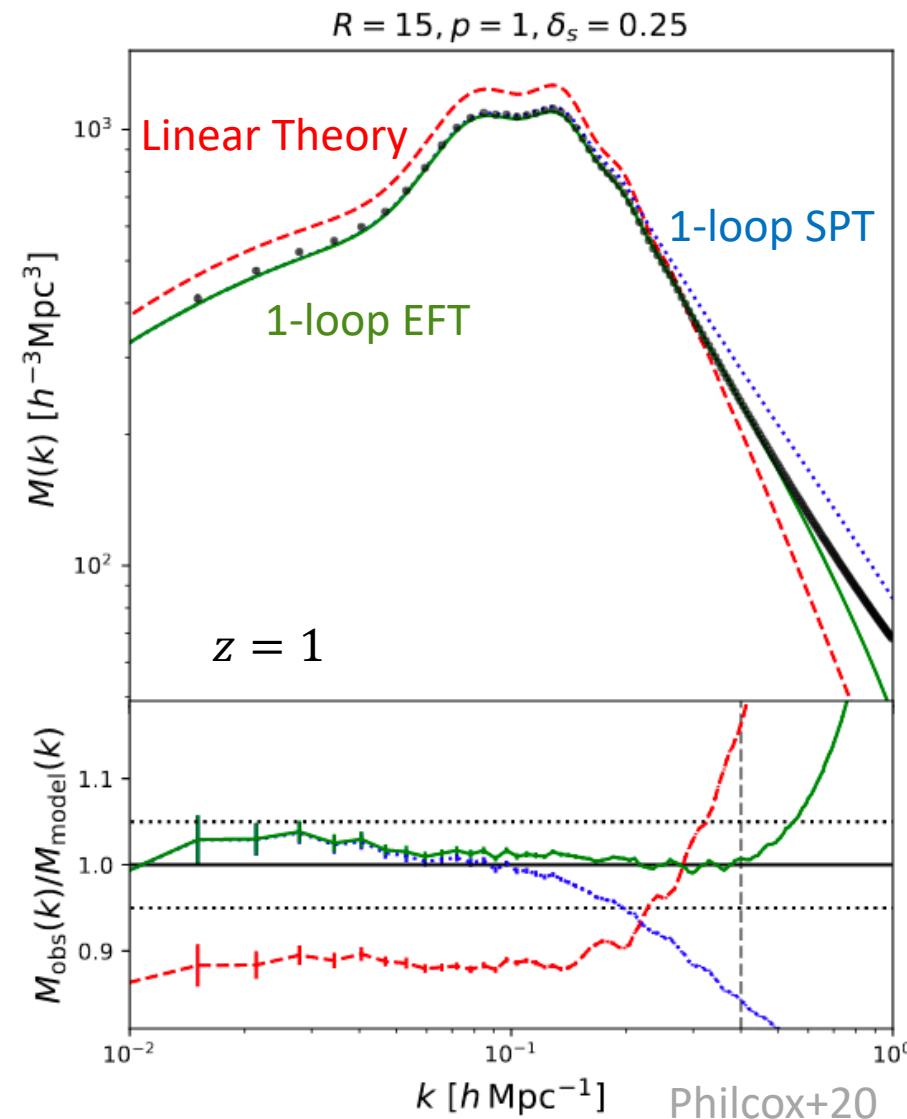
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- One-loop terms have unusual behavior on large-scales:
- Power Spectrum:** $P_{1\text{-loop}}(k) \sim k^2 P_L(k)$
- Marked Spectrum:** $M_{1\text{-loop}}(k) \sim P_L(k)$ or $M_{1\text{-loop}}(k) \sim \text{const.}$
- Higher loops do **not** decay on large scales



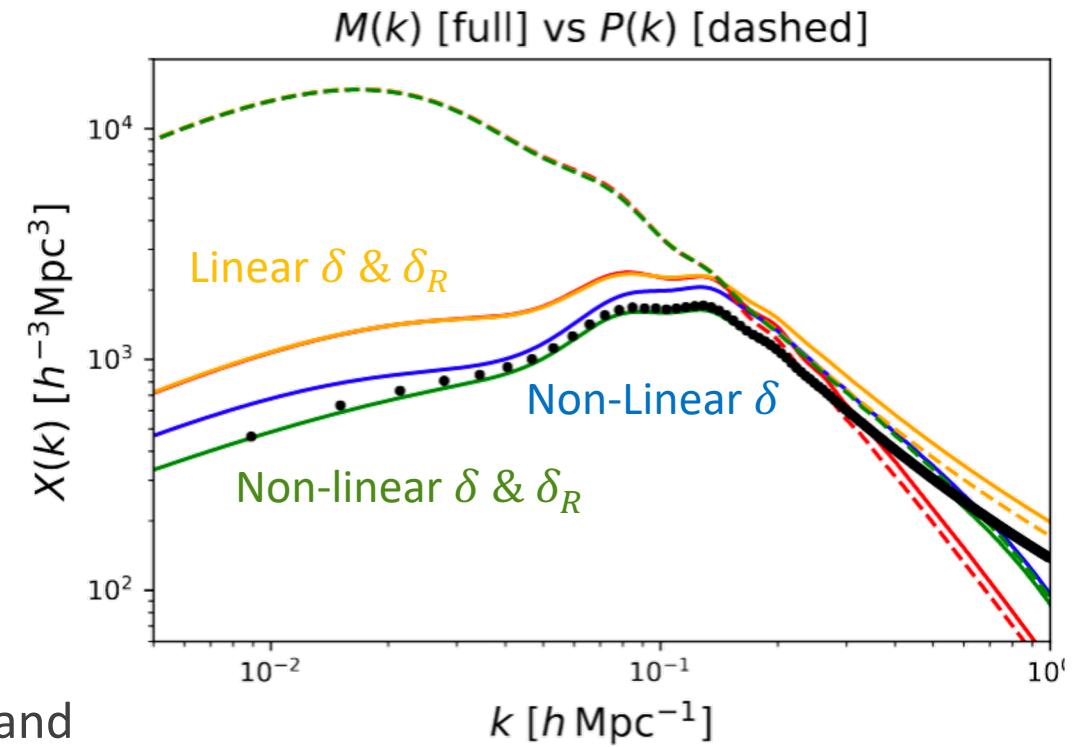
Results: Matter in Real Space

- Linear theory ($\sim \delta_L^2$) fails at **all** scales
 - The one-loop terms ($\sim \delta_L^4$) **cannot** be neglected
- The EFT model works quite well *iff*:
 - Redshift is not too low
 - Smoothing (to define the mark) is moderately large
- 1-loop EFT fails when **higher** order terms become non-negligible



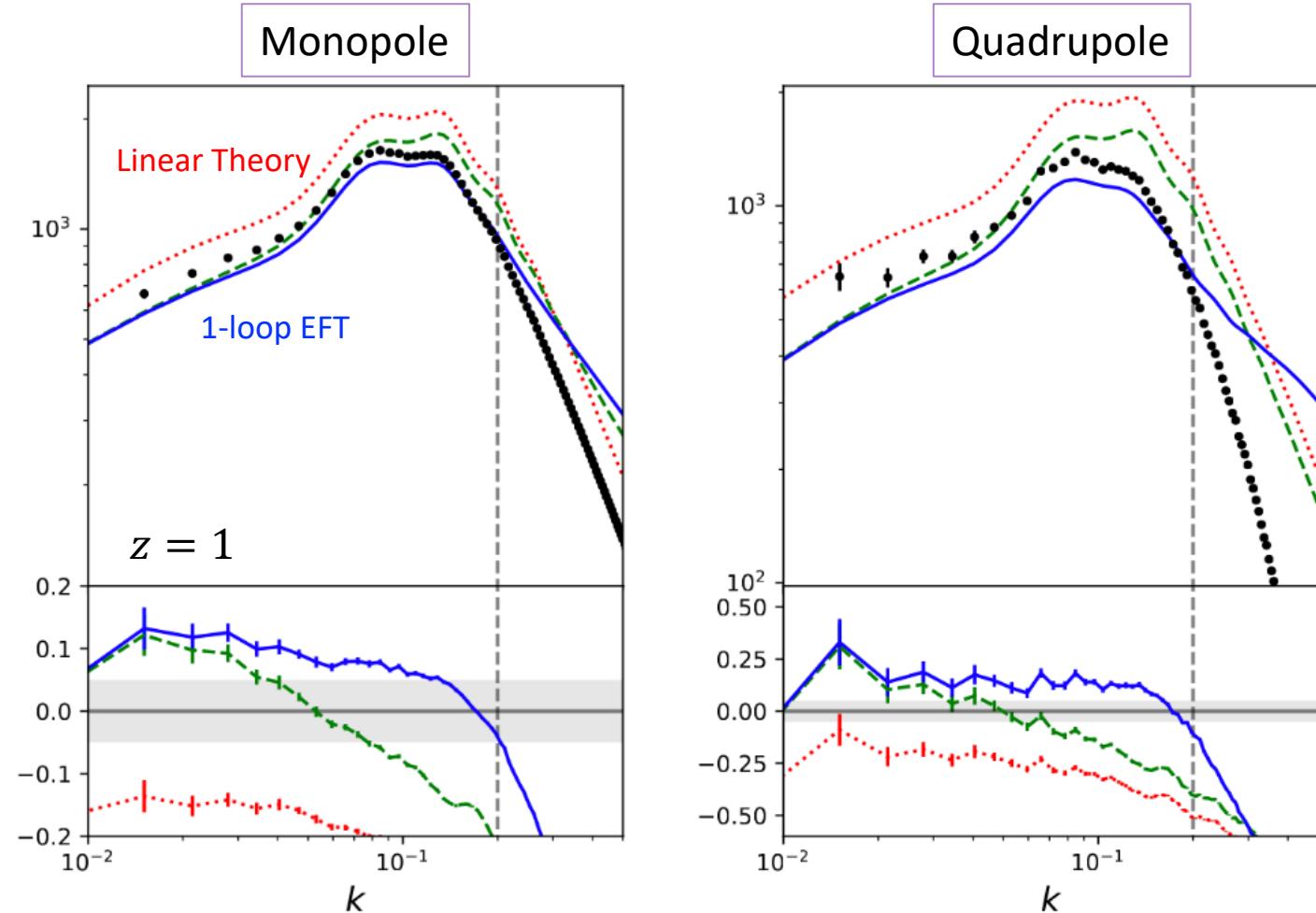
What can we learn from EFT?

- Higher order terms are sourced by **two** effects:
 1. Non-linearities in the **mark**
 2. Non-linearities in the **density field**
- **Small-scales** are coupled to **large scales**, through non-linearities and gravitational non-Gaussianities.
- This **shifts** small-scale information, e.g. about **neutrinos** and n_s , up to quasi-linear scales



Results: Matter in Redshift Space

- We can extend the modeling to the **redshift-space** multipoles using EFT
- The theory includes:
 - Redshift-Space Distortions
 - Fingers-of-God
- The Taylor series is **less** well convergent
 - **Higher-order terms are even more important!**



How can we do better?

- Model breaks down due to significant contributions from higher-loop terms on large scales
- Can we **re-organize** the theory into a (formally) convergent series?

$$\bar{m}^2 M^{\text{reorg}}(\mathbf{k}) = M^{r,0}(\mathbf{k}) + M^{r,1}(\mathbf{k}) + \dots,$$

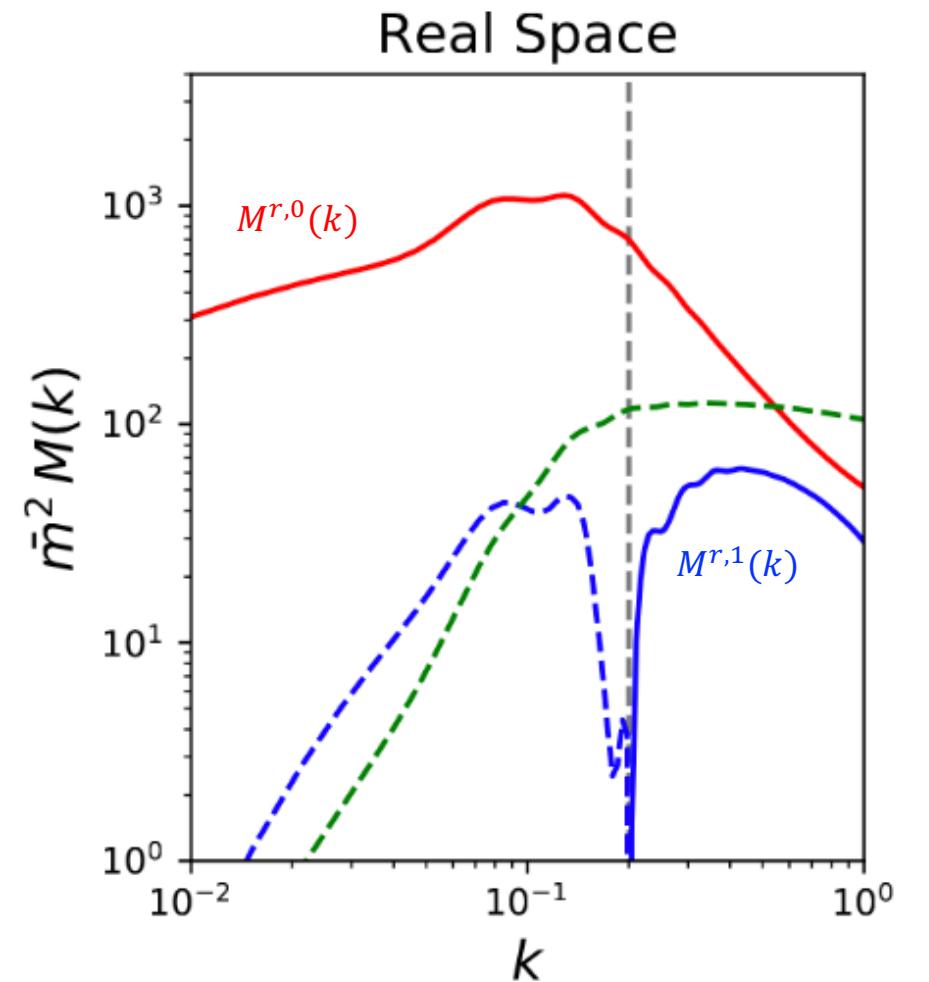
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 $\sim P_L(k)$ $\sim k^2 P_L(k)$

- Now **all** large-scale information is encoded in $M^{r,0}$, but this depends on **all higher loops!**

Ansatz:

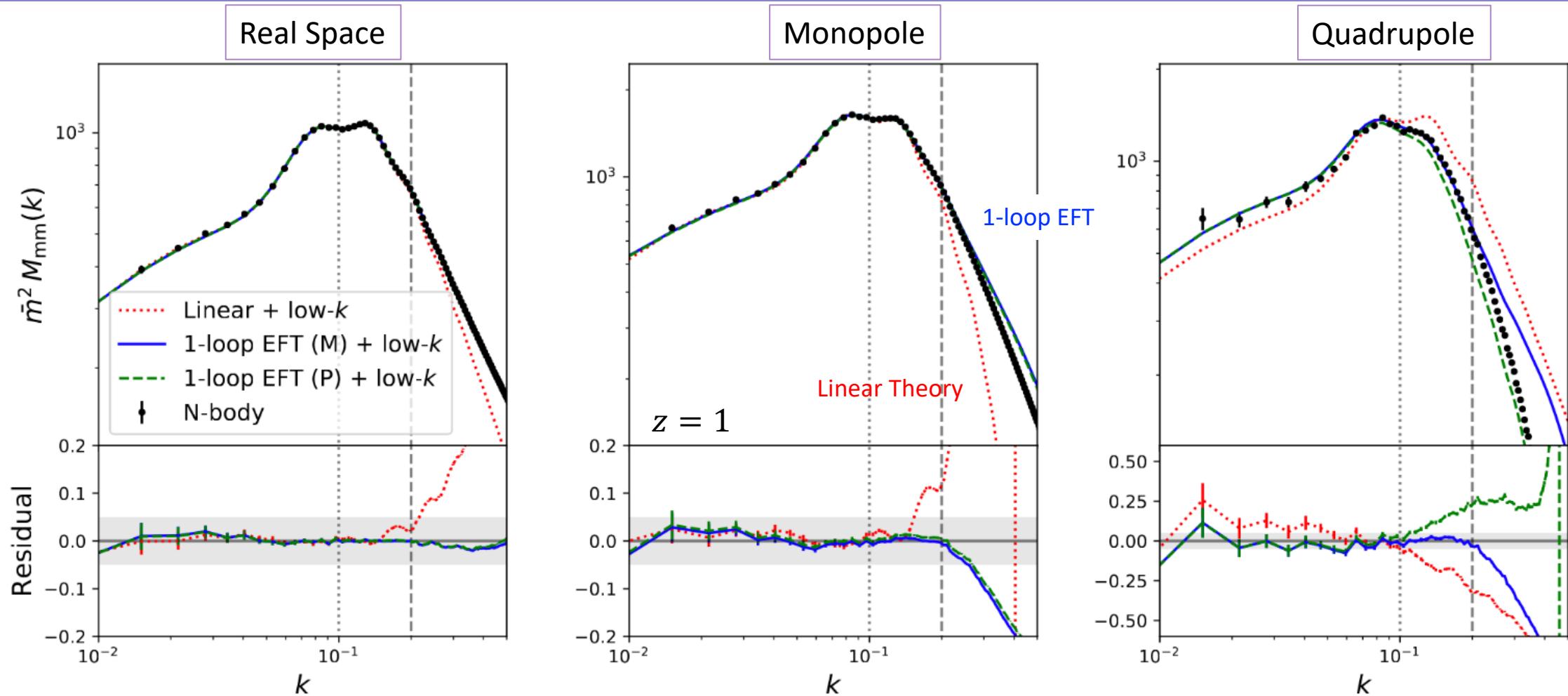
$$M^{r,0}(\mathbf{k})|_{\infty-\text{loop}} \approx [C_0 - C_1 W_R(k)]^2 \left\{ (\tilde{a}_0 + \tilde{a}_1 \mu^2) P_L(k) + \tilde{b}_0 \right\}$$

Free parameters

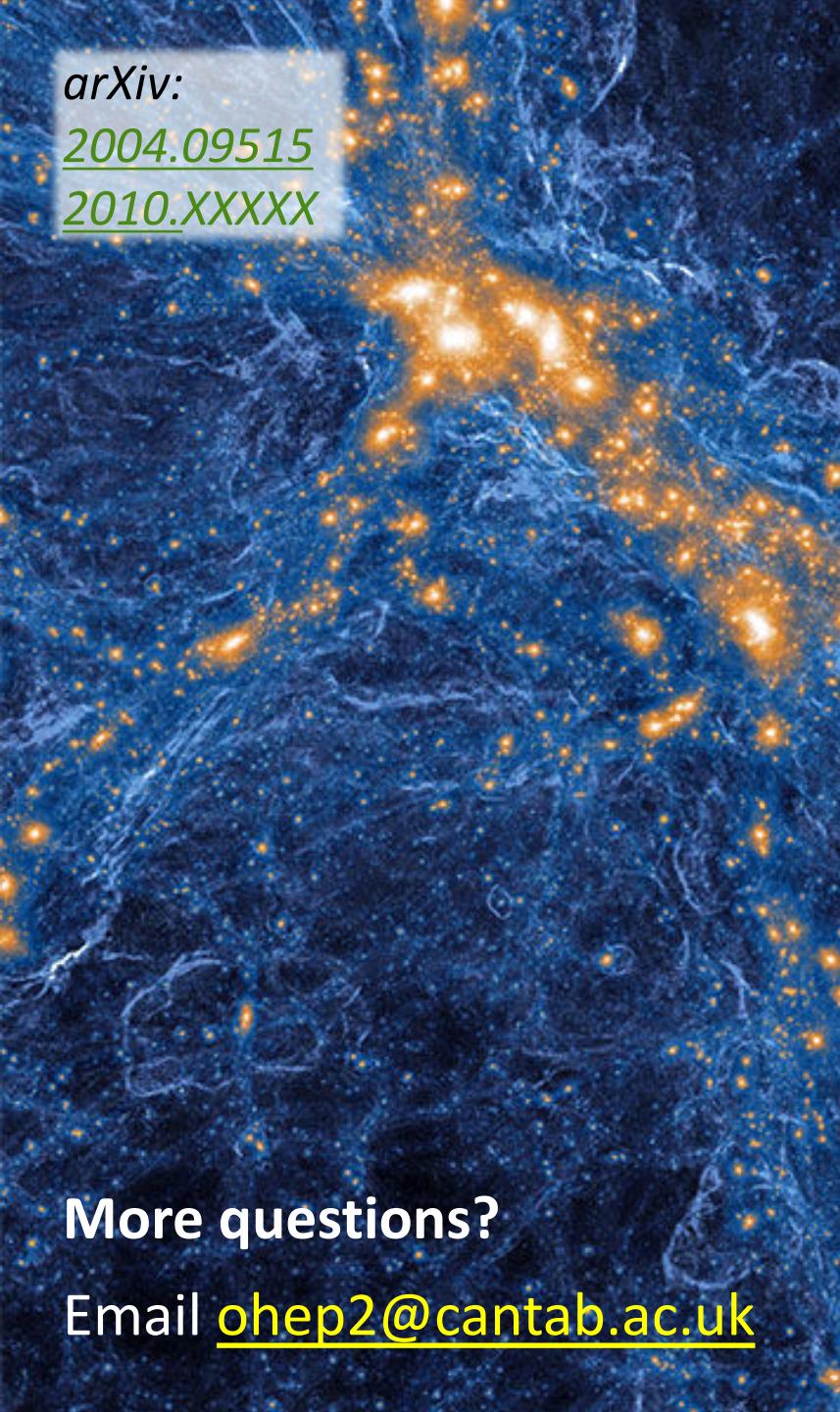


Philcox+ (in prep.)

Results: Matter at ∞ -loop



Adding a large scale ∞ -loop correction term gives an **accurate theory!**



More questions?

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Conclusions

- The **marked** density field can place **strong** constraints on cosmological parameters
- It can be modeled using Effective Field Theory but:
 - The large-scale theory depends on **all** loops contributions!
- Adding in a **free** correction term improves the theory!
 - Do the **free** parameters destroy the **information** content?
 - Is the marked field still useful for **biased** tracers?
 - Should we worry about **baryonic** effects?

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