

The power spectrum and bispectrum of the CMASS BOSS galaxies

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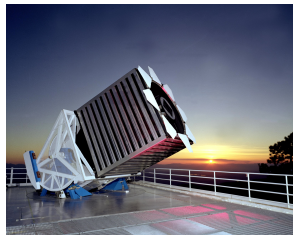
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Introduction: the BOSS survey

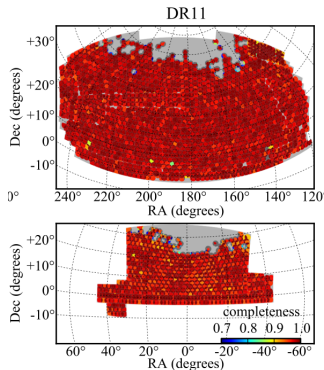
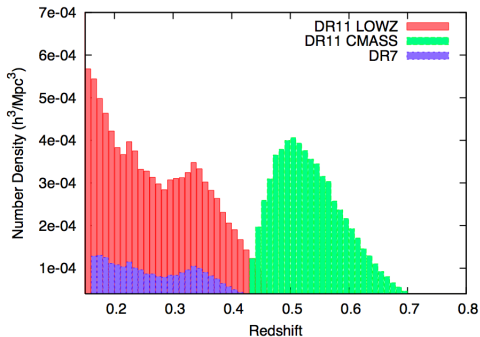
- Apache Point Observatory (APO) 2.5-m telescope for five years from 2009-2014.
- Part of SDSS-III project. BOSS: Baryon Oscillation Spectroscopic Survey
- Map the spatial distribution of luminous red galaxies and quasars
- Total coverage area 10,000 square degrees

- CMASS BOSS Galaxies: LRGs.
- $0.43 \leq z \leq 0.70$
- $\sim 7 \cdot 10^5$ galaxies
- Volume of 6 Gpc^3
- 10.000 deg^2 area



Introduction: the BOSS survey

CMASS sample with $z_{\text{eff}} = 0.57$.



Anderson et al. (2013)

Introduction: Statistical moments

- 1 The **power spectrum** is the Fourier transform of the 2-point function.

$$\langle \delta_{\mathbf{k}_1} \delta_{\mathbf{k}_2} \rangle = (2\pi)^3 P(\mathbf{k}_1) \delta^D(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2)$$

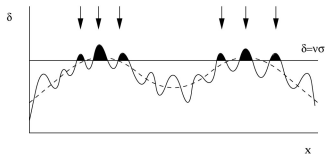
- It contains information about the clustering.
- 2 The **bispectrum** is the Fourier transform of the 3-point function.

$$\langle \delta_{\mathbf{k}_1} \delta_{\mathbf{k}_2} \delta_{\mathbf{k}_3} \rangle = (2\pi)^3 B(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) \delta^D(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3)$$

- It essentially contains information about the non-Gaussianities: primordial + gravitationally induced
- Since is gravitationally sensible \rightarrow Test of GR
- It is essential to break the typical degeneracies between bias parameters, σ_8 and f .

Introduction: Galaxy Bias

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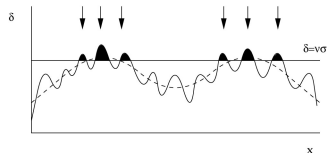
- Eulerian non-local bias model,

$$\delta_g(\mathbf{x}) = b_1 \delta(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{2} b_2 [\delta(\mathbf{x})^2] + \frac{1}{2} b_{s^2} [s(\mathbf{x})^2]$$

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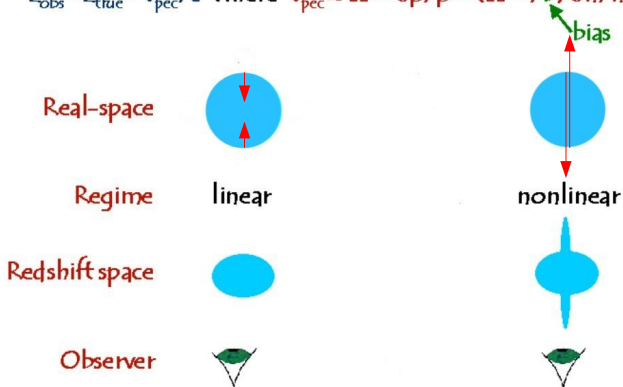
$$\delta_g(\mathbf{x}) = b_1 \delta(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{2} b_2 [\delta(\mathbf{x})^2] + \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{4}{7} (1 - b_1) \right] [s(\mathbf{x})^2]$$

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Redshift space distortions: Introduction

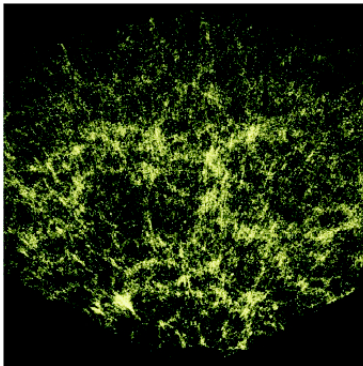
Redshift-Space Distortions

$$z_{\text{obs}} = z_{\text{true}} + v_{\text{pec}}/c \quad \text{where} \quad v_{\text{pec}} \propto \Omega^{0.6} \delta\rho/\rho = (\Omega^{0.6}/b) \delta n/n$$

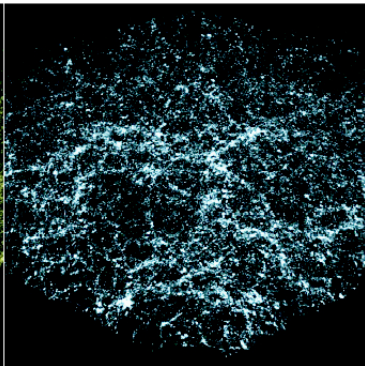


Redshift space distortions: Introduction

Redshift space



Real space



Redshift space distortions: Linear order

For the power spectrum, the linear term can be modelled analytically (Kaiser 1984),

$$P_g^{(s)}(k, \mu) = [b_1 + f\mu^2]^2 \sigma_8^2 P_{\text{lin}}(k)$$

$P_g^{(s)}(k, \mu)$ can be expressed in the Legendre polynomial basis, $P^{(\ell)}$, defined as,

$$P_g^{(\ell)}(k) = \frac{(2\ell + 1)}{2} \int_{-1}^1 d\mu P_g^{(s)}(k, \mu) L_\ell(\mu),$$

Redshift space distortions: Linear order

where L_ℓ are the Legendre polynomials of order ℓ .

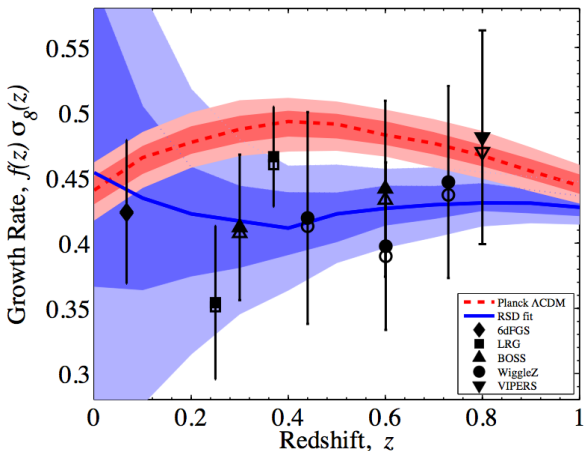
$$P_g^{(0)}(k) = P_{\text{lin}}(k)\sigma_8^2 \left(b_1^2 + \frac{2}{3}fb_1 + \frac{1}{5}f^2 \right) \quad \text{Monopole}$$

$$P_g^{(2)}(k) = P_{\text{lin}}(k)\sigma_8^2 \left(\frac{4}{3}fb_1 + \frac{4}{5}f^2 \right) \quad \text{Quadrupole}$$

Measuring the amplitude of $P_g^{(0)}$ and $P_g^{(2)}$ at large scales respect to P_{lin} , $b_1\sigma_8$ and $f\sigma_8$ can be inferred.

Following this idea, but with more complex modelling for non-linear scales, $f\sigma_8$ has been measured from the DR11 CMASS BOSS galaxies: *Beutler et al. (2013)*, *Chuang et al. (2013)*, *Sanchez et al. (2013)*, *Samushia et al. (2013)*

But $1 - 2\sigma$ tension with the CMB...



Macaulay, Wehus & Eriksen (2013)

Bispectrum: History

Previous measurements of the **bispectrum** or **3-PCF** in spectroscopic galaxy surveys,

- 1982, CfA Redshift Survey ($\sim 1,000$ galaxies)
[Baumgart & Fry (1991)]
- 1995, APM survey ($\sim 1.3 \cdot 10^6$ galaxies)
[Frieman & Gaztañaga (1999)]
- 1995, IRAS - PSCz ($\sim 15,000$ galaxies)
[Feldman et al. (2001), Scoccimarro et al. (2001)]
- 2002, 2dFGRS ($\sim 1.3 \cdot 10^5$ galaxies)
[Verde et al. (2002)]
- 2013, WiggleZ ($\sim 2 \cdot 10^5$ galaxies)
[Marín et al. 2013]
- 2014 SDSS-III (DR11 BOSS-CMASS) ($\sim 7 \cdot 10^5$ galaxies)
[HGM et al. 2014b, 2014c]

Bispectrum: Tree-level

We can model the bias using perturbation theory.

In real space

$$B_g(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) = \sigma_8^4 b_1^4 \left\{ 2P_{\text{lin}}(k_1) P_{\text{lin}}(k_2) \left[\frac{1}{b_1} F_2(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) + \frac{b_2}{2b_1^2} + \frac{2}{7b_1^2} (1 - b_1) S_2(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) \right] + \text{cyc.} \right\},$$

and in redshift space

$$B_g^s(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) = \sigma_8^4 [2P_{\text{lin}}(k_1) Z_1(\mathbf{k}_1) P_{\text{lin}}(k_2) Z_1(\mathbf{k}_2) Z_2(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) + \text{cyc.}].$$

$$Z_1(\mathbf{k}_i) \equiv (b_1 + f\mu_i^2)$$

$$Z_2(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) \equiv b_1 \left[F_2(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) + \frac{f\mu k}{2} \left(\frac{\mu_1}{k_1} + \frac{\mu_2}{k_2} \right) \right] + f\mu^2 G_2(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) + \frac{f^3 \mu k}{2} \mu_1 \mu_2 \left(\frac{\mu_2}{k_1} + \frac{\mu_1}{k_2} \right) + \frac{b_2}{2} + \frac{2}{7} (1 - b_1) S_2(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2)$$

Bispectrum: Tree-level

Bispectrum monopole,

$$B_g^{(0)}(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) = \int d\mu_1 d\mu_2 B_g^{(s)}(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2).$$

$$\begin{aligned} B_g^{(0)}(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) &= P_{\text{lin}}(k_1) P_{\text{lin}}(k_2) b_1^4 \sigma_8^4 \left\{ \frac{1}{b_1} F_2(k_1, k_2, \cos \theta_{12}) \mathcal{D}_{\text{SQ1}}^{(0)} \right. \\ &+ \frac{1}{b_1} G_2(k_1, k_2, \cos \theta_{12}) \mathcal{D}_{\text{SQ2}}^{(0)} \\ &+ \left. \left[\frac{b_2}{b_1^2} + \frac{b_s^2}{b_1^2} S_2(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) \right] \mathcal{D}_{\text{NLB}}^{(0)} + \mathcal{D}_{\text{FoG}}^{(0)} \right\} + \text{cyc.} \end{aligned}$$

Scoccimarro et al. (1999)

Bispectrum: Tree-level

Bispectrum monopole ($\beta \equiv f/b_1$; $x_{12} \equiv \cos(\theta_{12})$; $y_{12} \equiv k_1/k_2$),

$$\mathcal{D}_{\text{SQ1}}^{(0)} = \frac{2(15 + 10\beta + \beta^2 + 2\beta^2 x^2)}{15},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_{\text{SQ2}}^{(0)} = & 2\beta (35y_{12}^2 + 28\beta y_{12}^2 + 3\beta^2 y_{12}^2 + 35 + 28\beta + \\ & + 3\beta^2 + 70y_{12}x_{12} + 84\beta y_{12}x_{12} + 18\beta^2 y_{12}x_{12} + 14\beta y_{12}^2 x_{12}^2 + 12\beta^2 y_{12}^2 x_{12}^2 \\ & + 14\beta x_{12}^2 + 12\beta^2 x_{12}^2 + 12\beta^2 y_{12}x_{12}^3) / [105(1 + y_{12}^2 + 2x_{12}y_{12})], \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{\text{NLB}}^{(0)} = \frac{(15 + 10\beta + \beta^2 + 2\beta^2 x^2)}{15},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_{\text{FoG}}^{(0)} = & \beta (210 + 210\beta + 54\beta^2 + 6\beta^3 + 105y_{12}x + 189\beta y_{12}x_{12} + \\ & + 99\beta^2 y_{12}x_{12} + 15\beta^3 y_{12}x_{12} + 105y_{12}^{-1}x_{12} + 189\beta y_{12}^{-1}x + 99\beta^2 y_{12}^{-1}x_{12} + \\ & + 168\beta x_{12}^2 + 216\beta^2 x_{12}^2 + 48\beta^3 x_{12}^2 + 36\beta^2 y_{12}x_{12}^3 + 20\beta^3 y_{12}^{-1}x_{12}^3 + \\ & + 36\beta^2 y_{12}^{-1}x_{12}^3 + 20\beta^3 y_{12}x_{12}^3 + 16\beta^3 x_{12}^4) / 315, \end{aligned}$$

Bispectrum: Beyond tree-level

Tree level only provides an accurate description at large scales and at high redshifts.

Empirical improvement of this formula through effective kernels method (Scoccimarro & Couchman (2001))

- $F_2 \rightarrow F_2^{\text{eff}}$ (HGM et al. 2012) [[arXiv:1111.4477](#)]
- $G_2 \rightarrow G_2^{\text{eff}}$ (HGM et al. 2014a) [[arXiv:1407.1836](#)]

9 free parameters each kernel to be fitted from dark matter N-body simulations. Independent of scale or redshift, weakly dependent with cosmology.

Bispectrum: Estimating the parameters

The PS and BS models we considered here have 7 free independent parameters:

- The bias parameters: b_1 , b_2 (local Lagrangian bias, $b_{s2} = -4/7[b_1 - 1]$),
- Dark matter power spectrum amplitude, σ_8^2 : $P_{lin}(k) \rightarrow \sigma_8^2 P_{lin}(k)$
- Growth rate of structure $f = \frac{d \log \delta}{d \log a}$
- Fingers of God damping functions: σ_{fog}^P , σ_{fog}^B
- Shot Noise term amplitude term, A_{noise} : $A_{noise} > 0$ (sub-Poisson); $A_{noise} < 0$ (super-Poisson).

Bispectrum Estimating the parameters

Estimation of the best-fit parameters, Ψ , and their error.

$$\chi_{\text{diag.}}^2(\Psi) = \sum_{k\text{-bins}} \frac{\left[P_{(i)}^{\text{meas.}}(k) - P^{\text{model}}(k, \Psi; \Omega) \right]^2}{\sigma_P(k)^2} +$$

$$+ \sum_{\text{triangles}} \frac{\left[B_{(i)}^{\text{meas.}}(k_1, k_2, k_3) - B^{\text{model}}(k_1, k_2, k_3, \Psi; \Omega) \right]^2}{\sigma_B(k_1, k_2, k_3)^2},$$

$\langle \Psi_i \rangle$ is a **non-optimal and unbiased** estimator of Ψ_{true} , (see Verde et al. 2001)

$$\Psi_{\text{true}} \simeq \langle \Psi_i \rangle \pm \sqrt{\langle \Psi_i^2 \rangle - \langle \Psi_i \rangle^2}$$

1σ -error is given by the dispersion of mocks around to their mean.

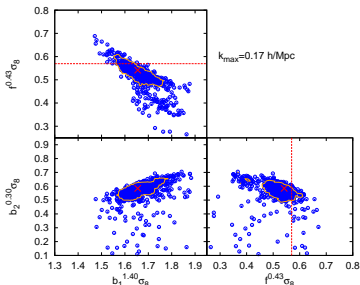
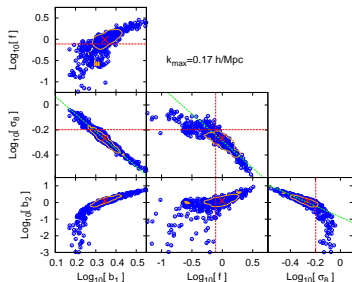
Measurements: Degenerations

Power Spectrum Monopole + Bispectrum Monopole.

600 Mocks based on pt-haloes (Manera et al. 2013) at $z_{\text{eff}} = 0.57$.

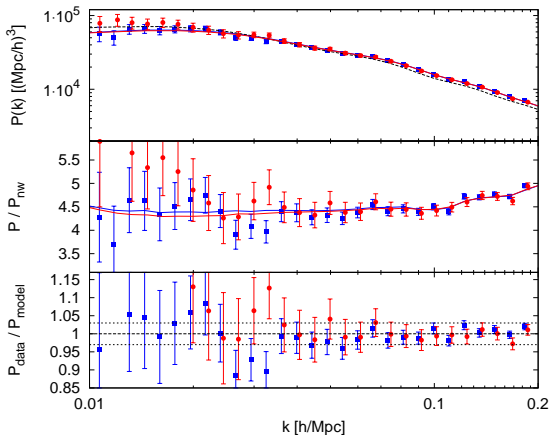
1σ contours from the mocks density of points

Data from NGC CMASS BOSS galaxies



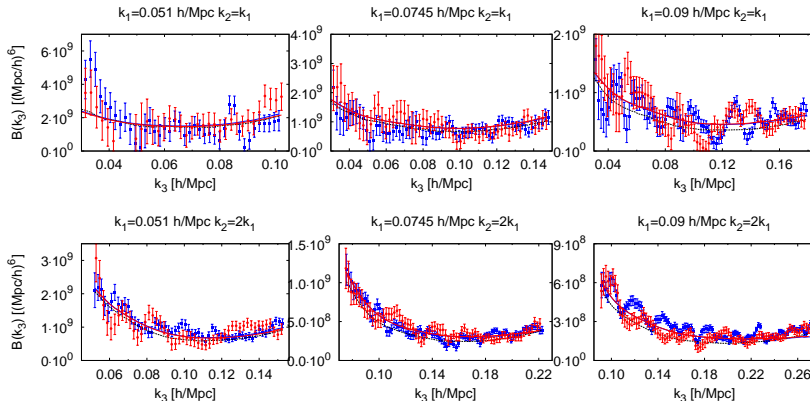
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Measurements: Power Spectrum Monopole



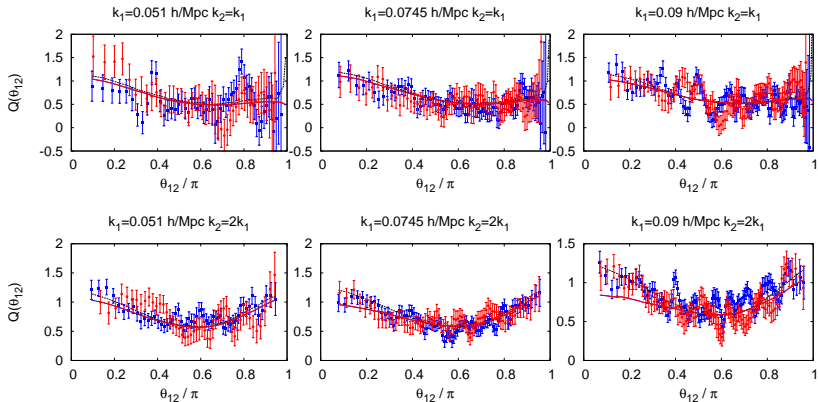
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Measurements: Bispectrum Monopole



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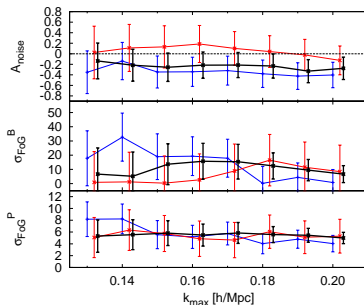
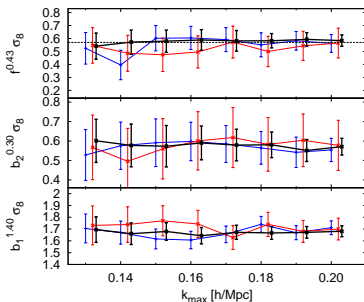
Measurements: Reduced Bispectrum



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Measurements: Dependence with the scale

NGC, SGC, NGC+SGC

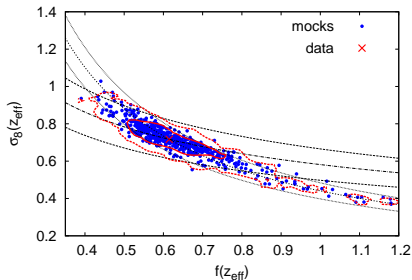


$$f^{0.43} \sigma_8 \Big|_{z=0.57} = 0.582 \pm 0.084 \text{ (14\%)} \\
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$$(k_{\max} = 0.17 \text{ hMpc}^{-1}). \\
(k_{\max} = 0.20 \text{ hMpc}^{-1}).$$

Measurements: Breaking f and σ_8 degeneracy

- For constraining f and σ_8 alone we need information from $P^{(0)}$, $P^{(2)}$ and $B^{(0)}$,
- Naively we combine “a posteriori” the measurements on $f^{0.43}\sigma_8$ with $f\sigma_8$ measurements (Samushia et al. 2013)



HGM et al. 2014c [[arxiv:1408:0027](https://arxiv.org/abs/1408.0027)]

$$f\sigma_8|_{z=0.57} = 0.447 \pm 0.028$$

$$f^{0.43}\sigma_8|_{z=0.57} = 0.582 \pm 0.084$$

$$f(z = 0.57) = 0.63 \pm 0.16 \text{ (25\%)}$$

$$\sigma_8(z = 0.57) = 0.710 \pm 0.086 \text{ (12\%)}$$

Results to be improved when the combination is “a priori”

Conclusions

This methodology is non-optimal. The errors can be reduced by,

- Including covariance will automatically shrink the error-bars
- Including more triangles will also reduce the error-bars.

Therefore, there is still space for improvement. . .

Conclusions

- We have combined the power spectrum monopole with the bispectrum monopole to set constraints in the cosmological parameters.
- Using the galaxy mocks we have determined that $b^{1.40}\sigma_8$ and $f^{0.43}\sigma_8$ are the parameters less affected by degenerations.
- The results on $f^{0.43}\sigma_8$ are robust under changes in the minimum scale used for the fit.
- Combining $f^{0.43}\sigma_8$ measurements with $f\sigma_8$ measurements from the same galaxy sample, f and σ_8 can be estimated separately.

Conclusions

Thank you for your attention!