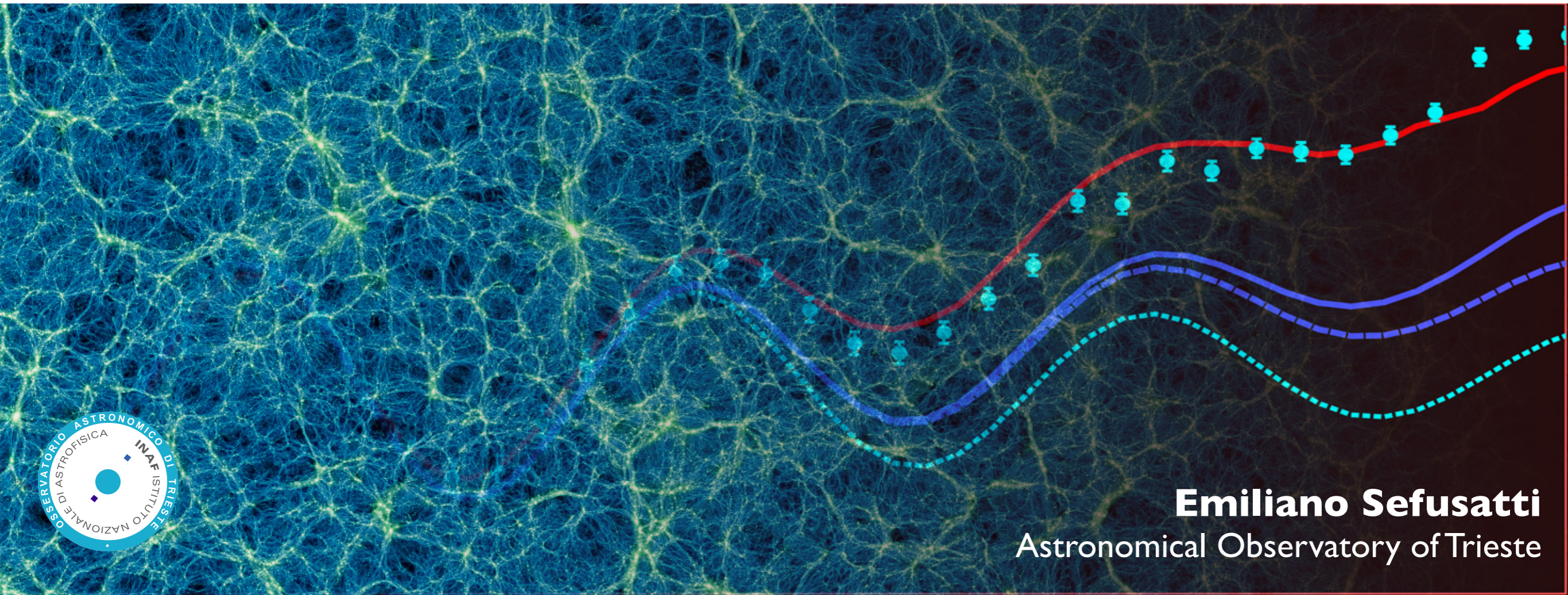


Galaxy Clustering: Observables & Theoretical Modelling

Part I



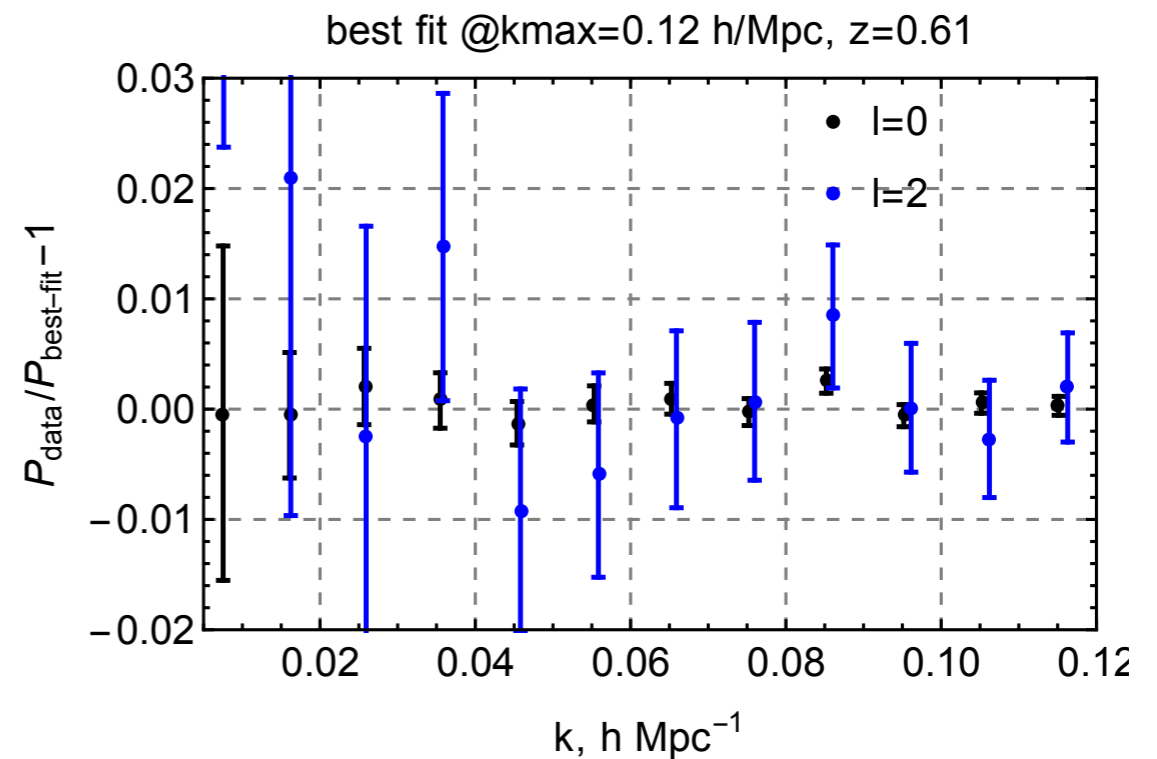
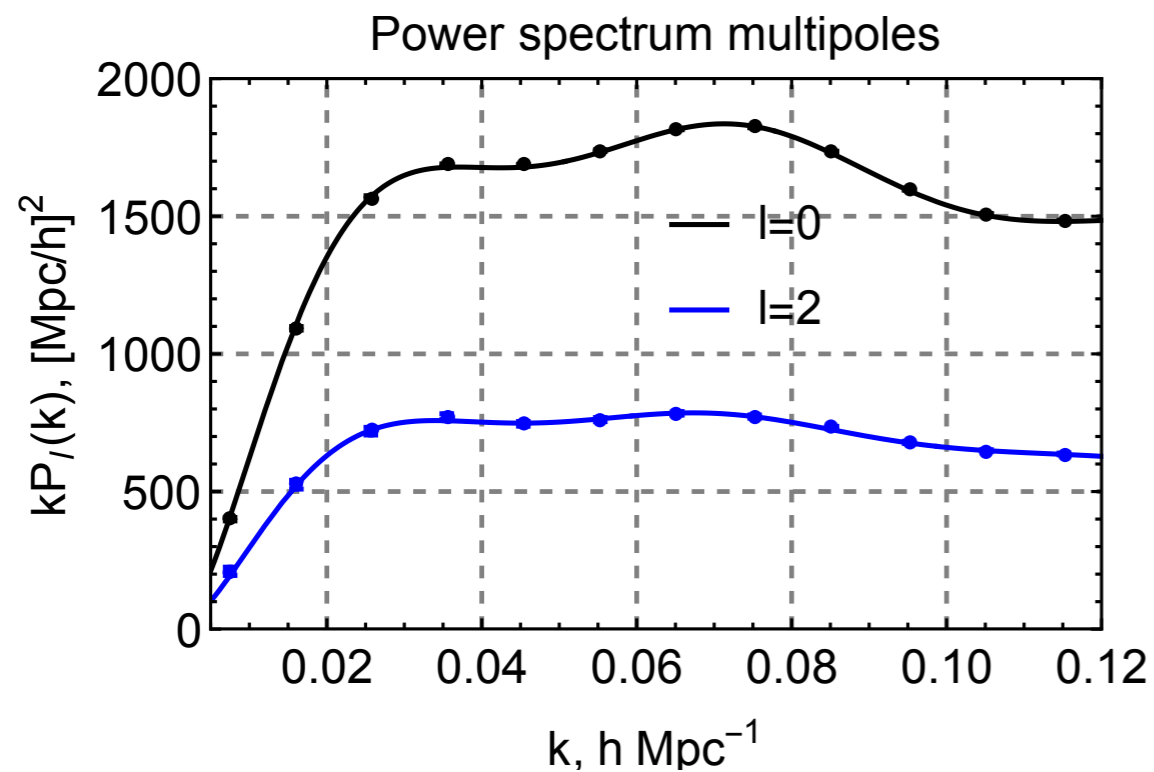
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The goal

Describe and motivate the state-of-the-art **modelling** in **perturbation theory** of the redshift-space galaxy **power spectrum**, a main observables in **galaxy spectroscopic surveys**

PT Challenge: test on simulations over a volume of $600 \text{ Gpc}^3/h^3$



Nishimichi *et al* (2006)

Lecture 1

- The galaxy distribution as a random field
- Galaxy clustering observables: power spectrum & 2PCF
- Initial conditions: the matter power spectrum at recombination
- Linear Eulerian Perturbation Theory
- Non-Gaussianity and higher-order correlation functions
- Nonlinear PT and the power spectrum at one-loop
- Effective Field Theory of Large-Scale Structure

Lecture 2

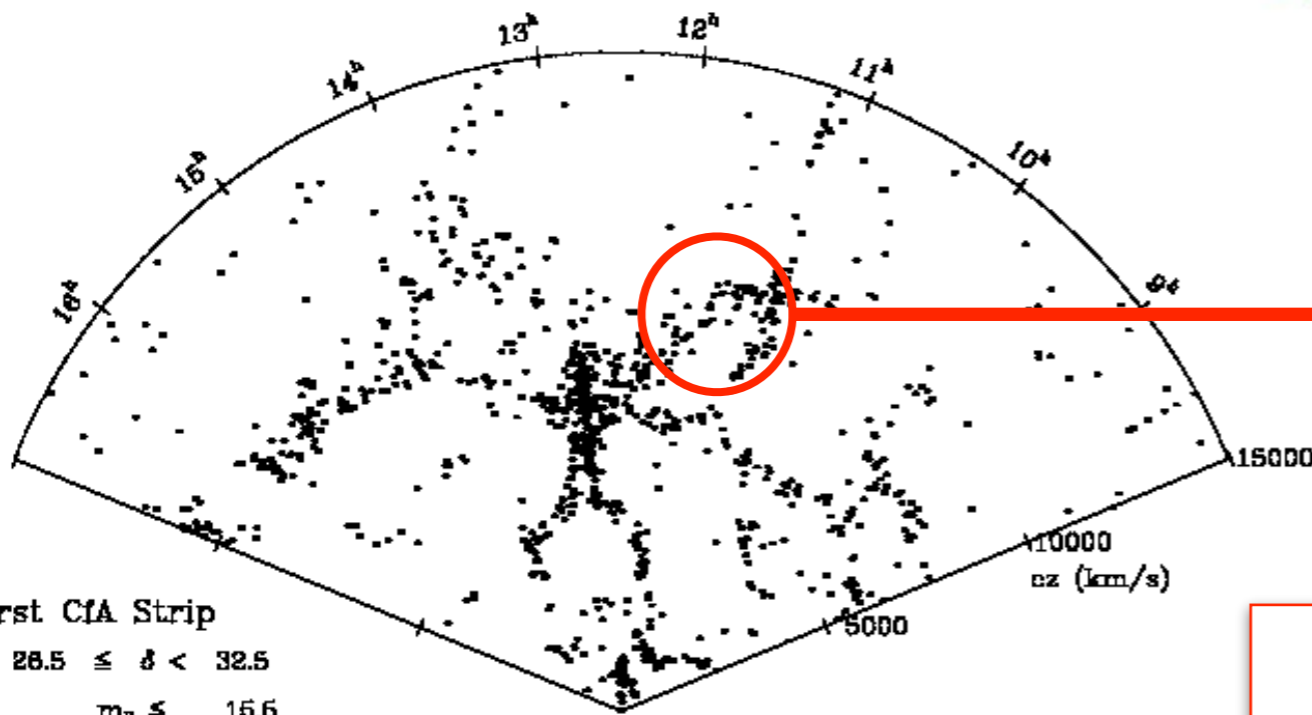
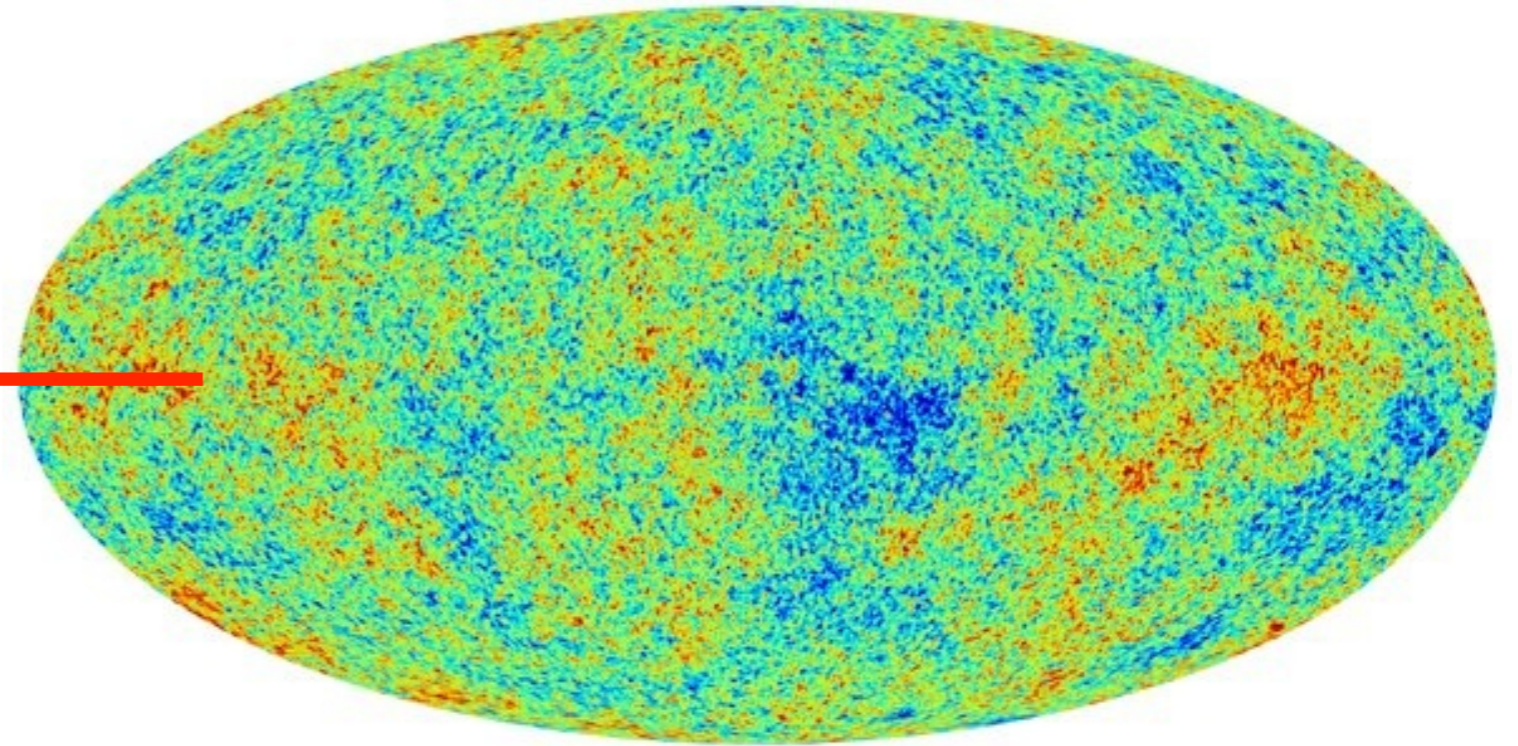
- Galaxy bias
- Baryonic Acoustic Oscillations & Infrared Resummation
- Redshift-Space Distortions
- Stochastic contributions
- Recent analyses of the BOSS survey
- *Neutrinos*
- *Non-Gaussianity & Higher-Order Statistics*
- *Primordial non-Gaussianity*

Cosmological Random Fields

Cosmological perturbations

CMB temperature fluctuations

$$T(\hat{n})$$



First CfA Strip

$$26.5 \leq \delta < 32.5$$

$$m_B \leq 15.6$$

$n_g(\vec{x})$
number density of galaxies

We can only study the **statistical properties** of cosmological perturbations

Mathematically, these are **random fields**

Random fields

If ϕ is a **random variable** with Probability Distribution Function (PDF) $\mathcal{P}(\phi)$ we can compute:

$$\langle \phi \rangle = \int d\phi \mathcal{P}(\phi) \phi \quad \text{mean}$$

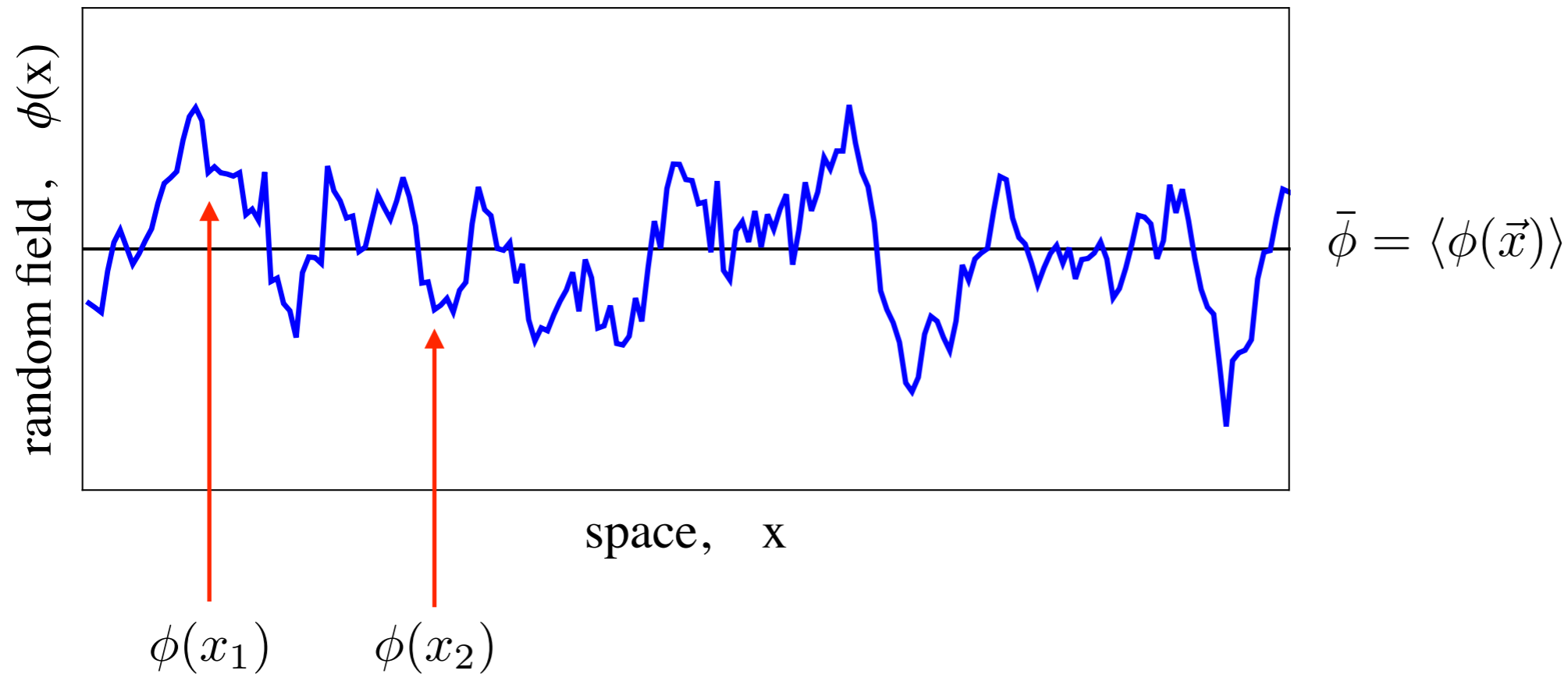
$$\langle \phi^2 \rangle = \int d\phi \mathcal{P}(\phi) \phi^2 \quad \text{2-nd-order moment}$$

$$\langle \phi^n \rangle = \int d\phi \mathcal{P}(\phi) \phi^n \quad \text{n-th-order moment}$$

$$\sigma_\phi^2 = \langle \phi^2 \rangle - \langle \phi \rangle^2 \quad \text{variance}$$

Random fields

If $\phi(\vec{x})$ is a **random field** we can also compute **correlation functions**



two-point function

$$\langle \phi(x_1)\phi(x_2) \rangle = \langle \phi(x_1) \rangle \langle \phi(x_2) \rangle + \langle \phi(x_1)\phi(x_2) \rangle_c$$

three-point function

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \phi(x_1)\phi(x_2)\phi(x_3) \rangle = & \langle \phi(x_1) \rangle \langle \phi(x_2) \rangle \langle \phi(x_3) \rangle + \\ & + \langle \phi(x_1)\phi(x_2) \rangle_c \langle \phi(x_3) \rangle + \text{perm.} + \\ & + \langle \phi(x_1)\phi(x_2)\phi(x_3) \rangle_c \end{aligned}$$

...

n-point function

$$\langle \phi(x_1)\phi(x_2) \dots \phi(x_n) \rangle$$

The distribution of galaxies

The galaxy number density and its perturbations as random fields

$$n_g(\vec{x}) \equiv \bar{n}_g [1 + \delta_g(\vec{x})]$$

galaxy number density

 **mean** galaxy number

$$\delta_g(\vec{x}) \equiv \frac{n_g(\vec{x}) - \bar{n}_g}{\bar{n}_g}$$

galaxy overdensity
or density contrast

N.B. $\langle \delta_g(\vec{x}) \rangle \equiv 0$

$$\delta_g(\vec{x}) \geq -1$$

Matter, peculiar velocities, gravitational potential

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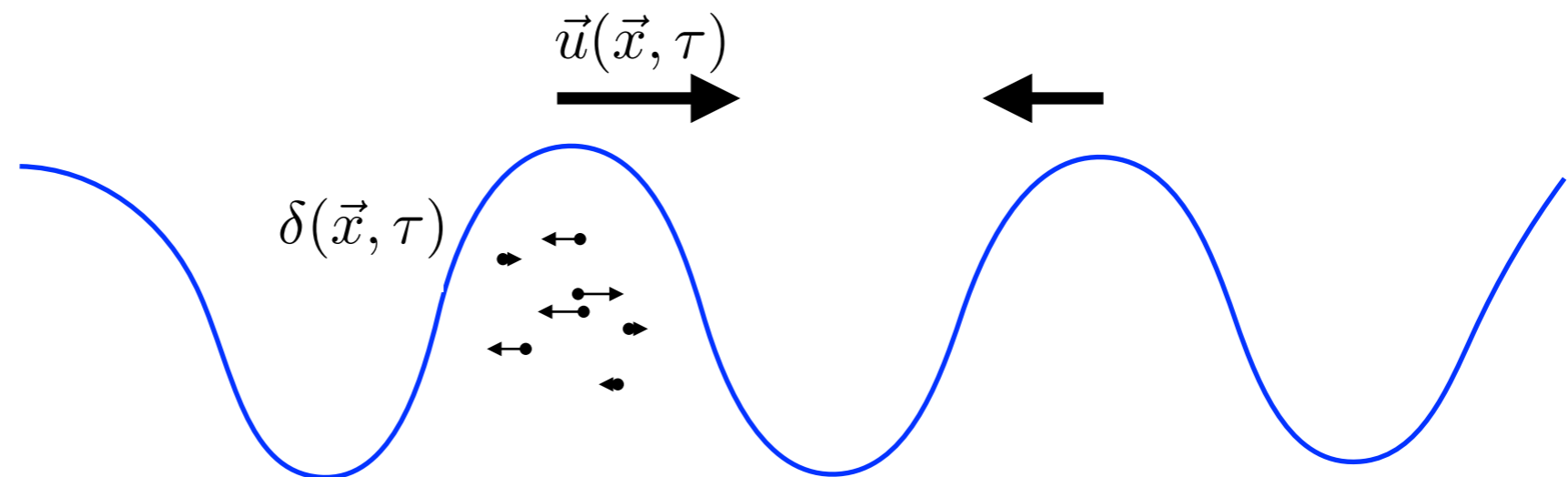
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Hubble flow

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Matter perturbations are related to perturbations in the gravitational potential via **Poisson equation**

$$\nabla^2 \Phi(\vec{x}, t) = 4\pi G a^2 \bar{\rho} \delta(\vec{x}, t)$$

$\Phi(\vec{x}, \tau)$ **gravitational potential**

in comoving coordinates

Correlations Function

The galaxy two-point correlation function

What is the probability of finding two galaxies in the volume elements dV_1 and dV_2 ?

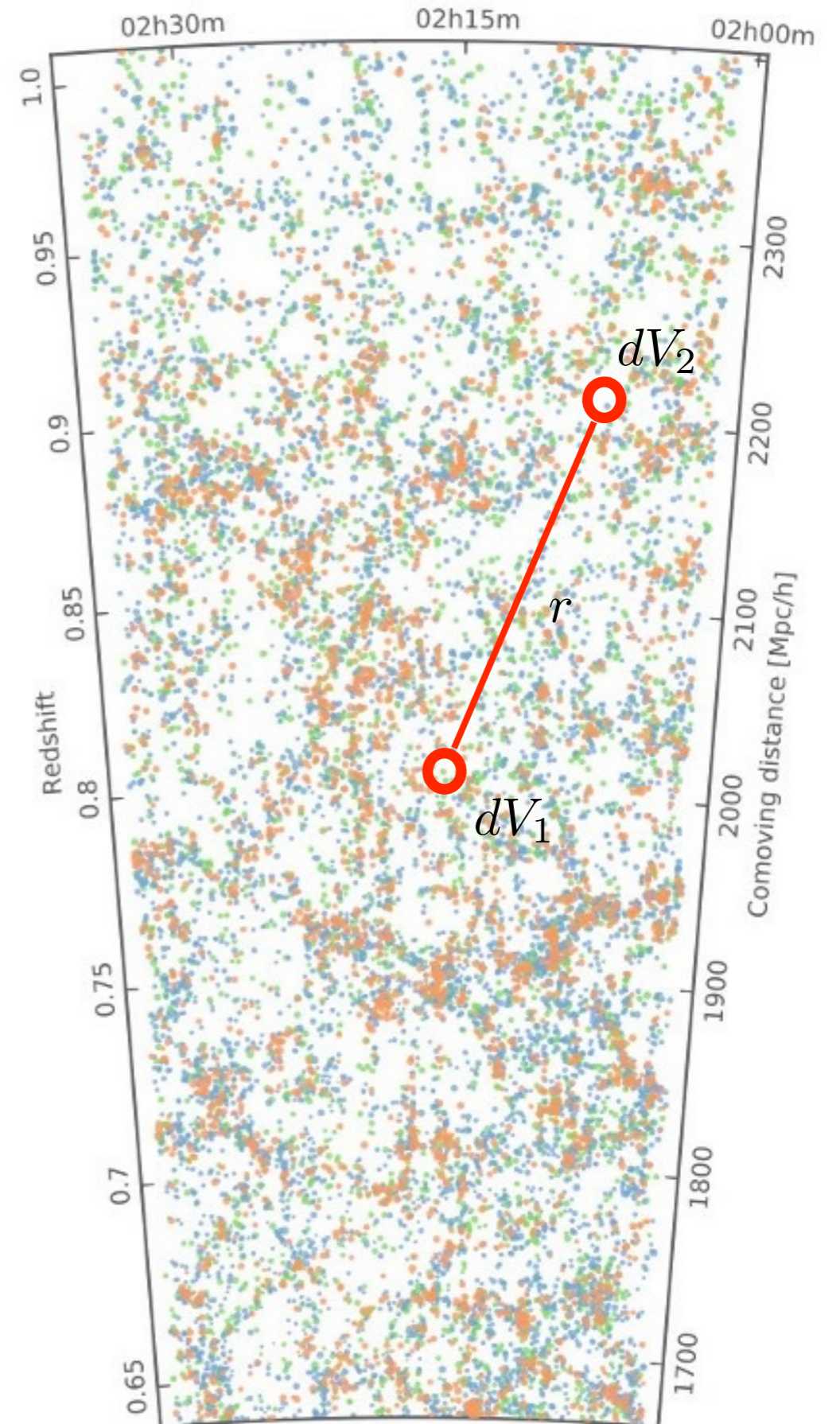
$$\begin{aligned} dP &= dV_1 dV_2 \langle n_g(\vec{x}_1) n_g(\vec{x}_2) \rangle \\ &= dV_1 dV_2 \bar{n}_g^2 [1 + \langle \delta_g(\vec{x}_1) \delta_g(\vec{x}_2) \rangle] \end{aligned}$$

↑
excess probability

We now make the assumption of **statistical homogeneity and isotropy**

$$\xi(|\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2|) \equiv \langle \delta_g(\vec{x}_1) \delta_g(\vec{x}_2) \rangle$$

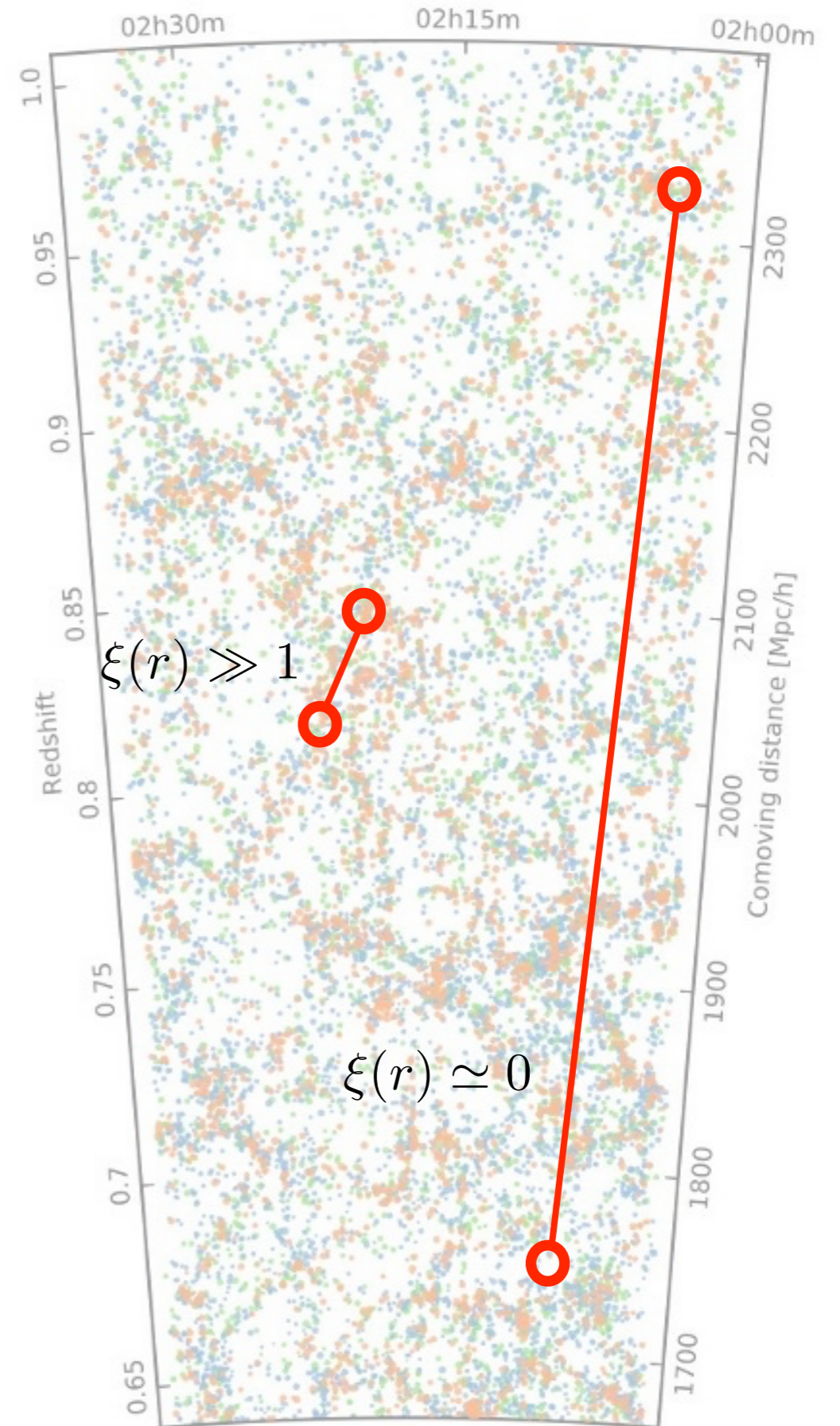
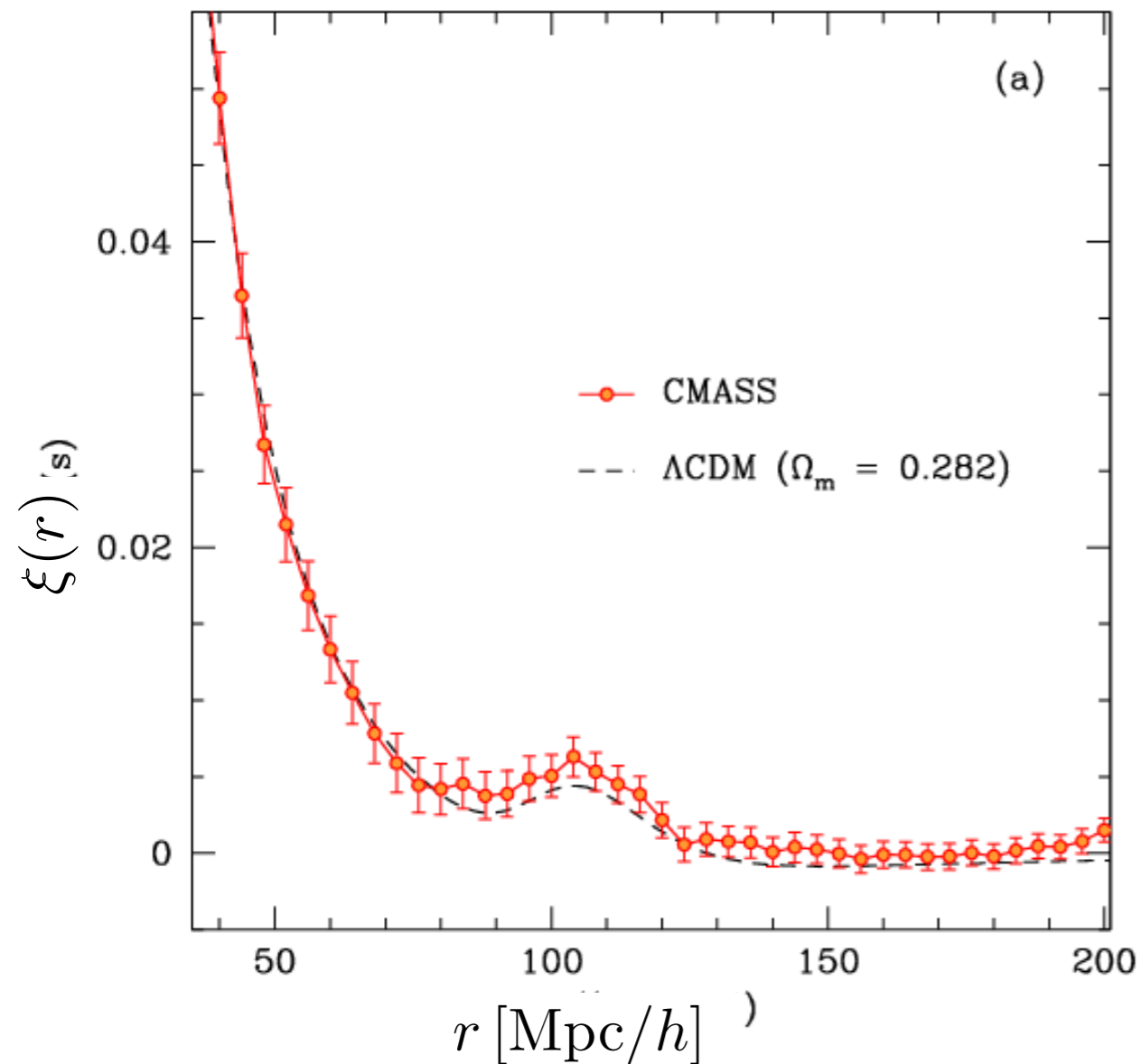
the two-point correlation function $\xi(r)$
only depends on the distance $r = |\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2|$
between the two points



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The galaxy three-point correlation function

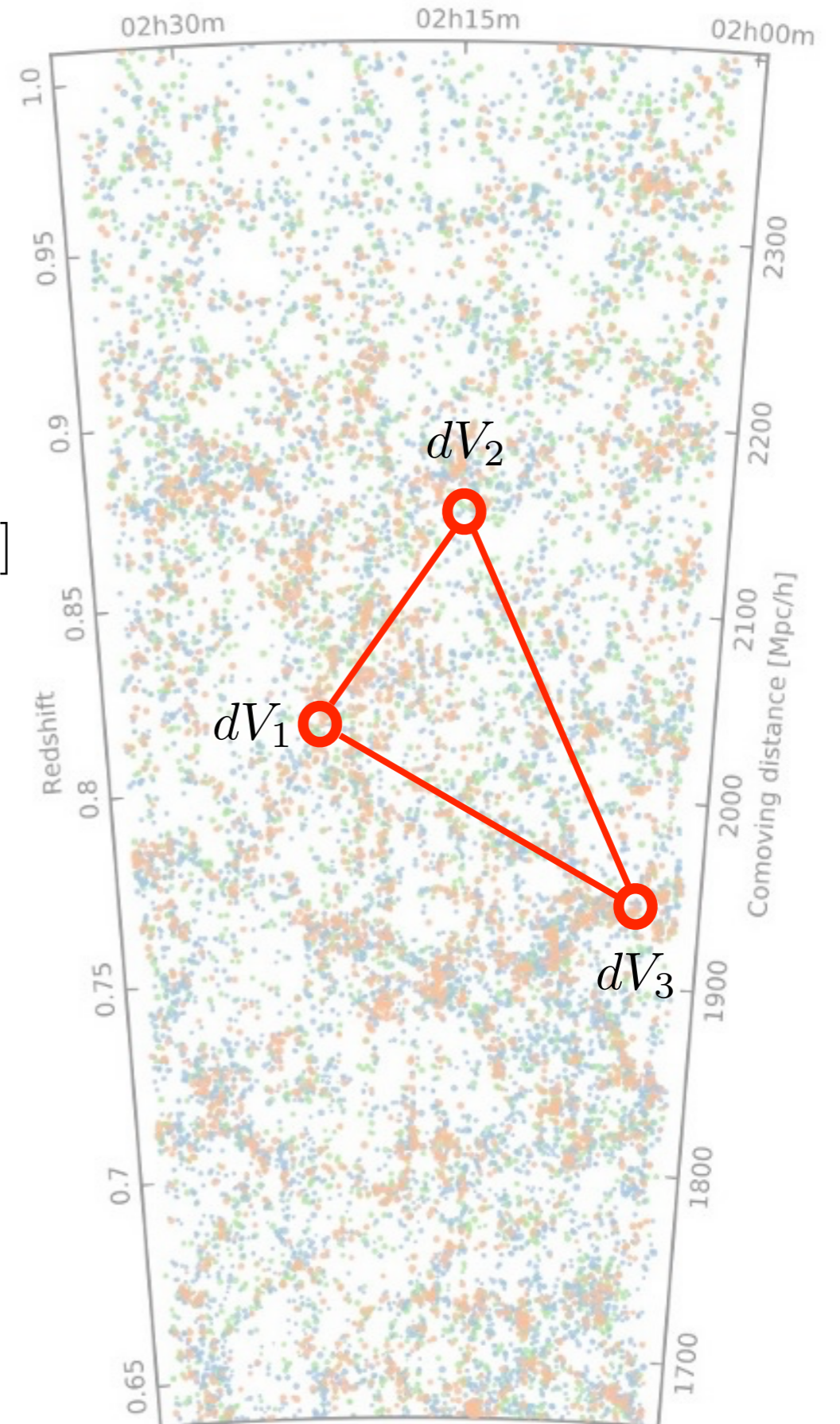
Similarly I can ask the probability of finding three galaxies in the volume elements dV_1 , dV_2 and dV_3

$$\begin{aligned}dP &= dV_1 dV_2 dV_3 \langle n_g(\vec{x}_1) n_g(\vec{x}_2) n_g(\vec{x}_3) \rangle \\ &= dV_1 dV_2 dV_3 \bar{n}_g^3 [1 + \\ &\quad + \xi(r_{12}) + \xi(r_{13}) + \xi(r_{23}) + \zeta(r_{12}, r_{13}, r_{23})]\end{aligned}$$

excess probability

$$\zeta(r_{12}, r_{13}, r_{23}) \equiv \langle \delta_g(\vec{x}_1) \delta_g(\vec{x}_2) \delta_g(\vec{x}_3) \rangle$$

the 3-point correlation function represents the (excess) probability to find 3 galaxies forming a triangle of a given shape and size

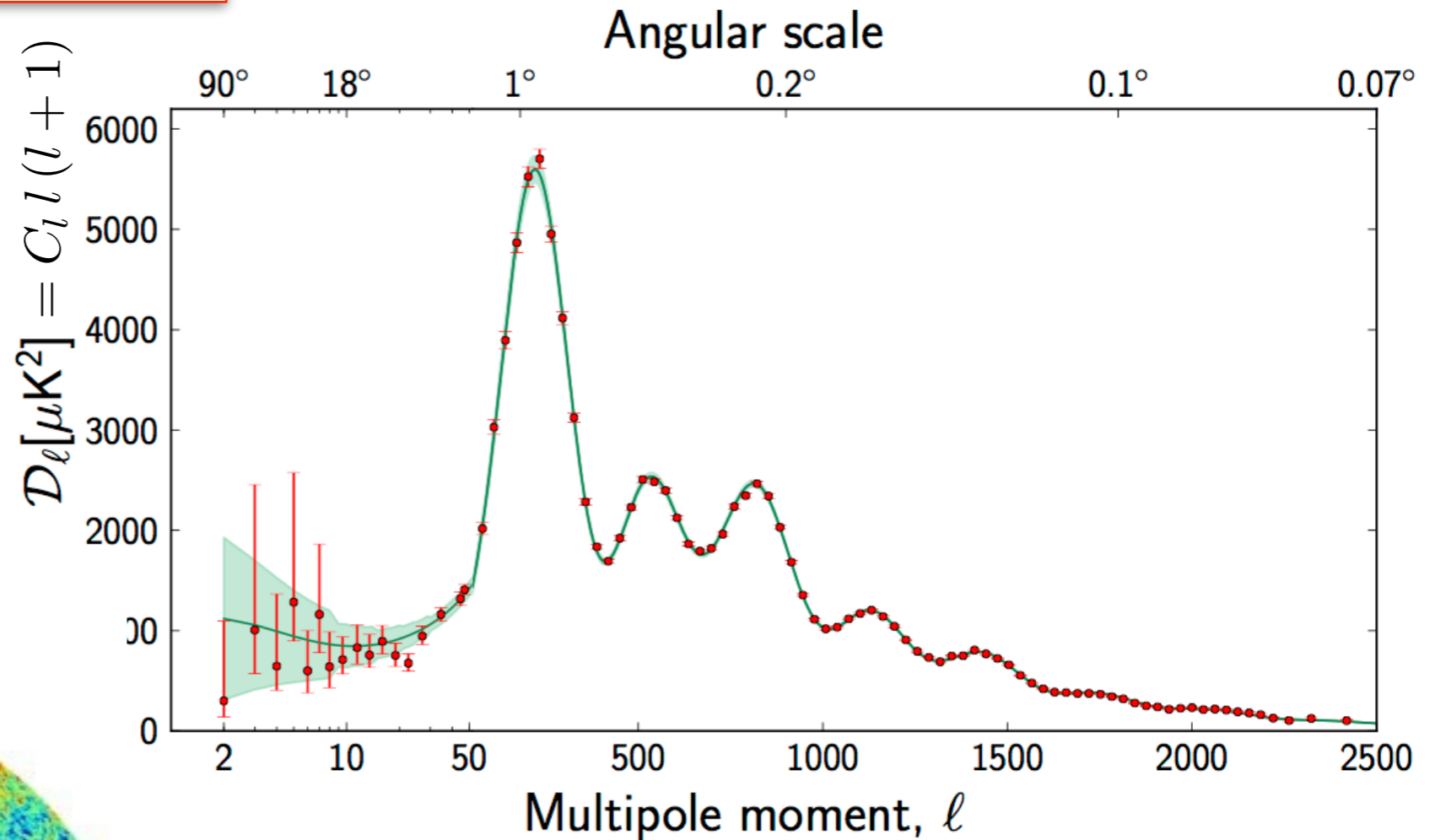
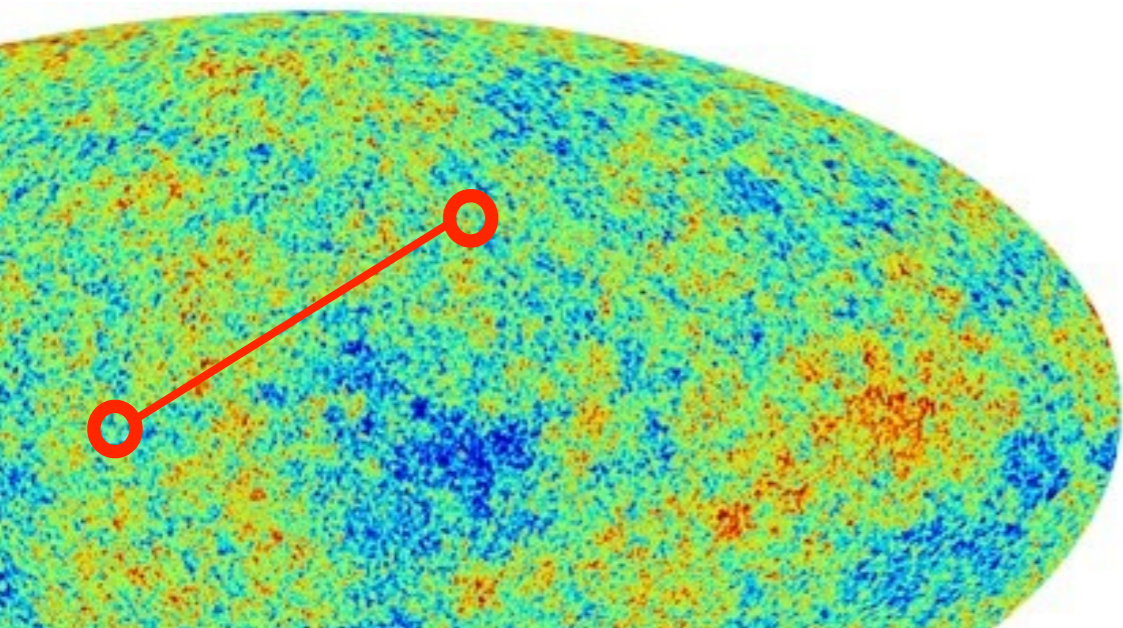


Gaussian and non-Gaussian random fields

The statistical properties of a Gaussian random field are completely characterised by its 2-point correlation function. All higher-order, *connected* correlation functions are vanishing

$$\delta_T(\hat{n}) \equiv \frac{T(\hat{n}) - \bar{T}}{\bar{T}}$$

$$\mathcal{P}[\delta_T(\hat{n})] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_T^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\delta_T^2}{\sigma_T^2}}$$



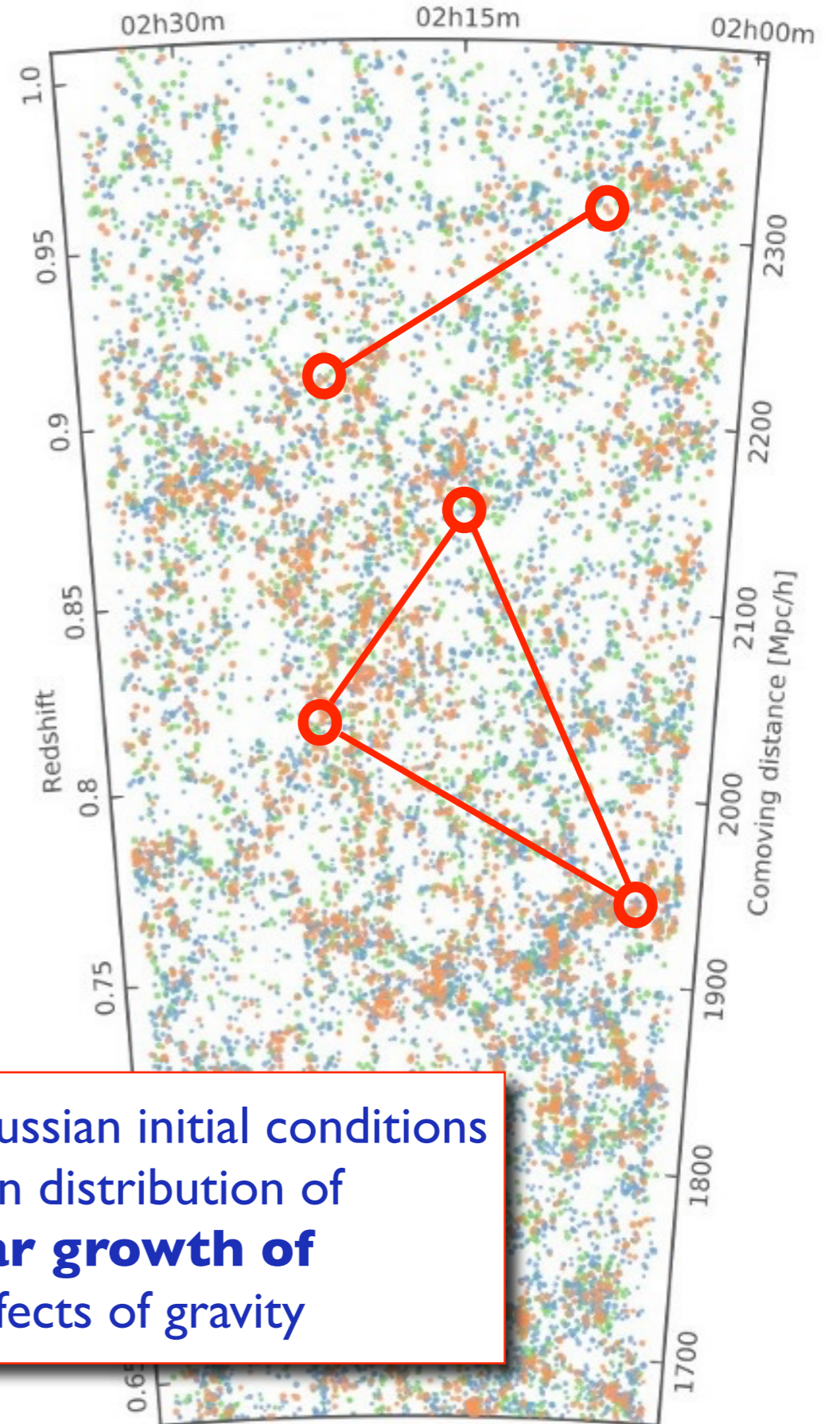
Perturbations in the CMB are one of the best examples of Gaussian random field

Gaussian and non-Gaussian random fields

The statistical properties of a Gaussian random field are completely characterised by its 2-point correlation function. All higher-order, *connected* correlation functions are vanishing

all other random fields are non-Gaussian!

The Universe evolves from Gaussian initial conditions (CMB) to a highly non-Gaussian distribution of matter (LSS) due to **nonlinear growth of perturbations** under the effects of gravity



Ergodic hypothesis

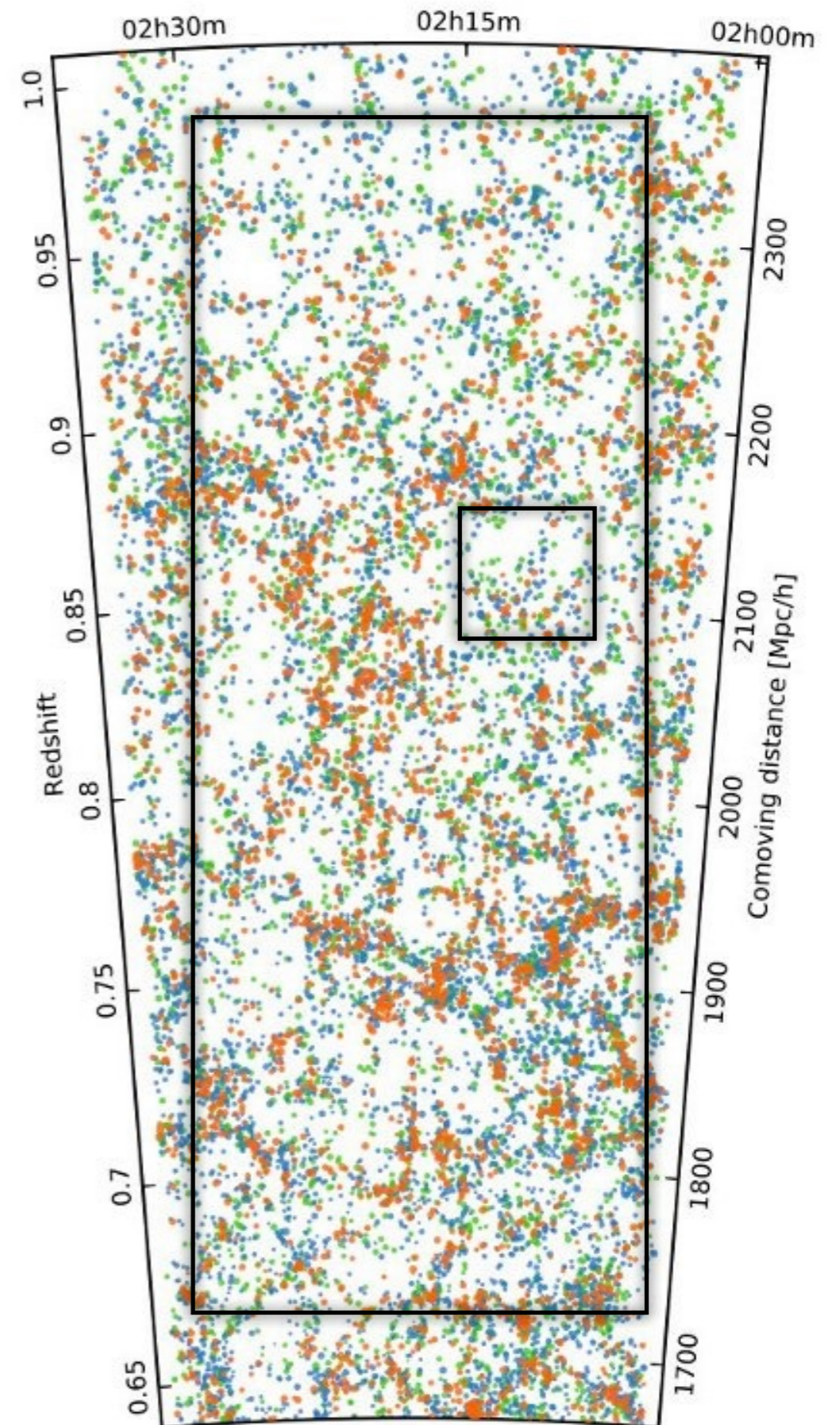
Expectation values, in principle, are to be intended as *ensemble averages*, i.e. averages over many “realisations of the Universe” ...

... but we only have one Universe!

We assume the **ergodic hypothesis**:
ensemble averages are equal to spatial averages

$$\langle \phi(\vec{x}) \rangle \equiv \int d\phi \phi \mathcal{P}(\phi) = \frac{1}{V} \int_V d^3x \phi(\vec{x})$$

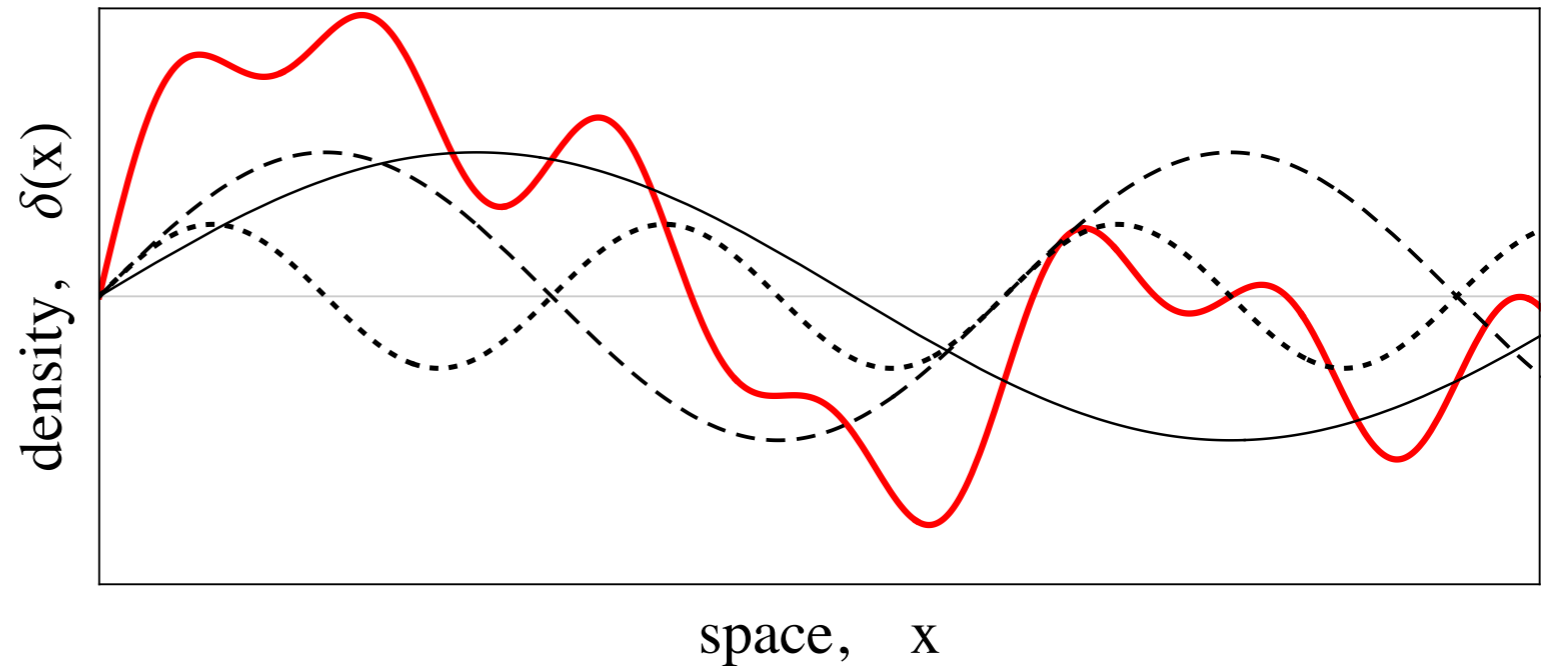
We should make sure, however, that the observed volume correspond to a “fair sample” of the Universe



Fourier space

Theoretical predictions for the matter correlation functions are performed in **Fourier space**

Fourier analysis naturally separates perturbations at different scales:



$$\delta_{\vec{k}} = \int \frac{d^3 x}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \delta(\vec{x})$$

$$\delta(\vec{x}) = \int d^3 k e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \delta_{\vec{k}}$$

- Since $\delta(\vec{x})$ is a random field $\delta_{\vec{k}}$ is also a random field

- Since $\delta(\vec{x})$ is real $\delta_{\vec{k}}^* = \delta_{-\vec{k}}$

Fourier space: correlation functions

The 2-point function in Fourier space: the **power spectrum**

$$\langle \delta_{\vec{k}_1} \delta_{\vec{k}_2} \rangle = \delta_D(\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_2) P(k_1) \quad P(k) = \int \frac{d^3x}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \xi(x)$$


homogeneity & isotropy

The power spectrum is the *Fourier Transform* of the 2-point correlation function

The power spectrum is a measure of the amplitude of perturbations as a function of scale

$$\Delta(k) \equiv 4\pi k^3 P(k)$$

adiimensional power spectrum

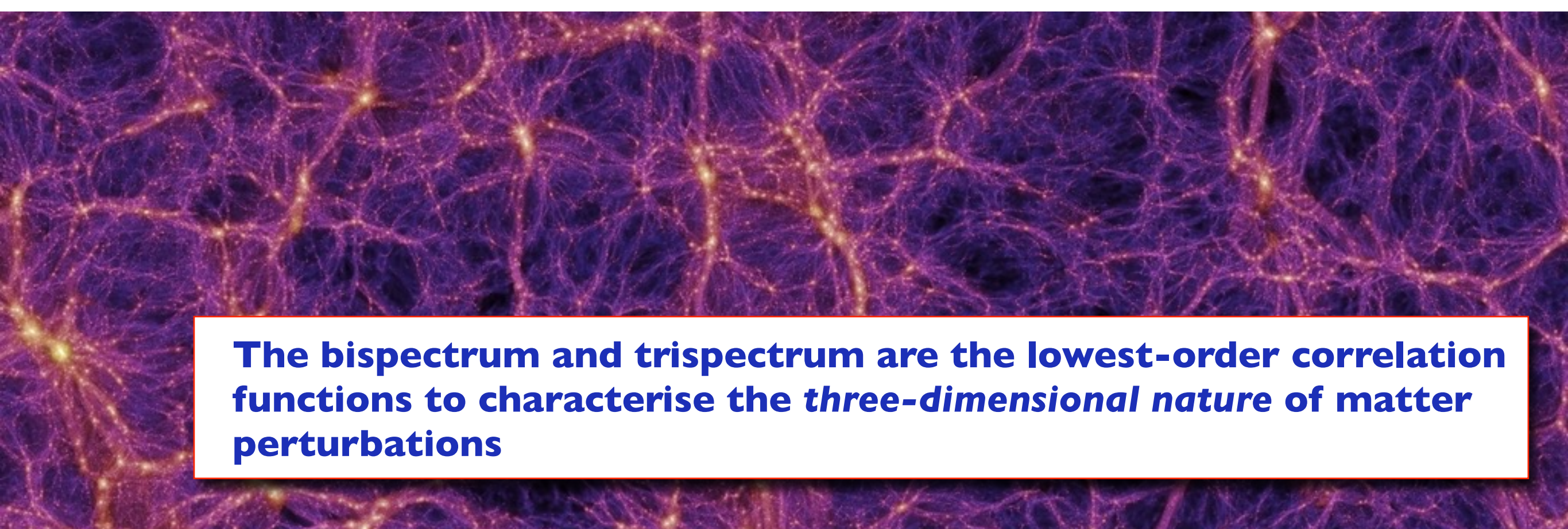
$$\sigma_\delta^2 \equiv \langle \delta^2(\vec{x}) \rangle = 4\pi \int dk k^2 P(k) = \int \frac{dk}{k} \Delta(k)$$

Fourier space: correlation functions

Higher-order correlation functions:

$$\langle \delta_{\vec{k}_1} \delta_{\vec{k}_2} \delta_{\vec{k}_3} \rangle \equiv \delta_D(\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_2 + \vec{k}_3) B(k_1, k_2, k_3) \quad \text{the **bispectrum**}$$

$$\langle \delta_{\vec{k}_1} \delta_{\vec{k}_2} \delta_{\vec{k}_3} \delta_{\vec{k}_4} \rangle \equiv \delta_D(\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_2 + \vec{k}_3 + \vec{k}_4) T(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3, \vec{k}_4) \quad \text{the **trispectrum**}$$

A visualization of the cosmic web, showing a complex network of filaments and nodes of matter. The filaments are colored in shades of purple and blue, while the nodes are bright yellow and orange. The overall structure is highly interconnected and fractal-like.

The bispectrum and trispectrum are the lowest-order correlation functions to characterise the *three-dimensional nature* of matter perturbations

Our goal

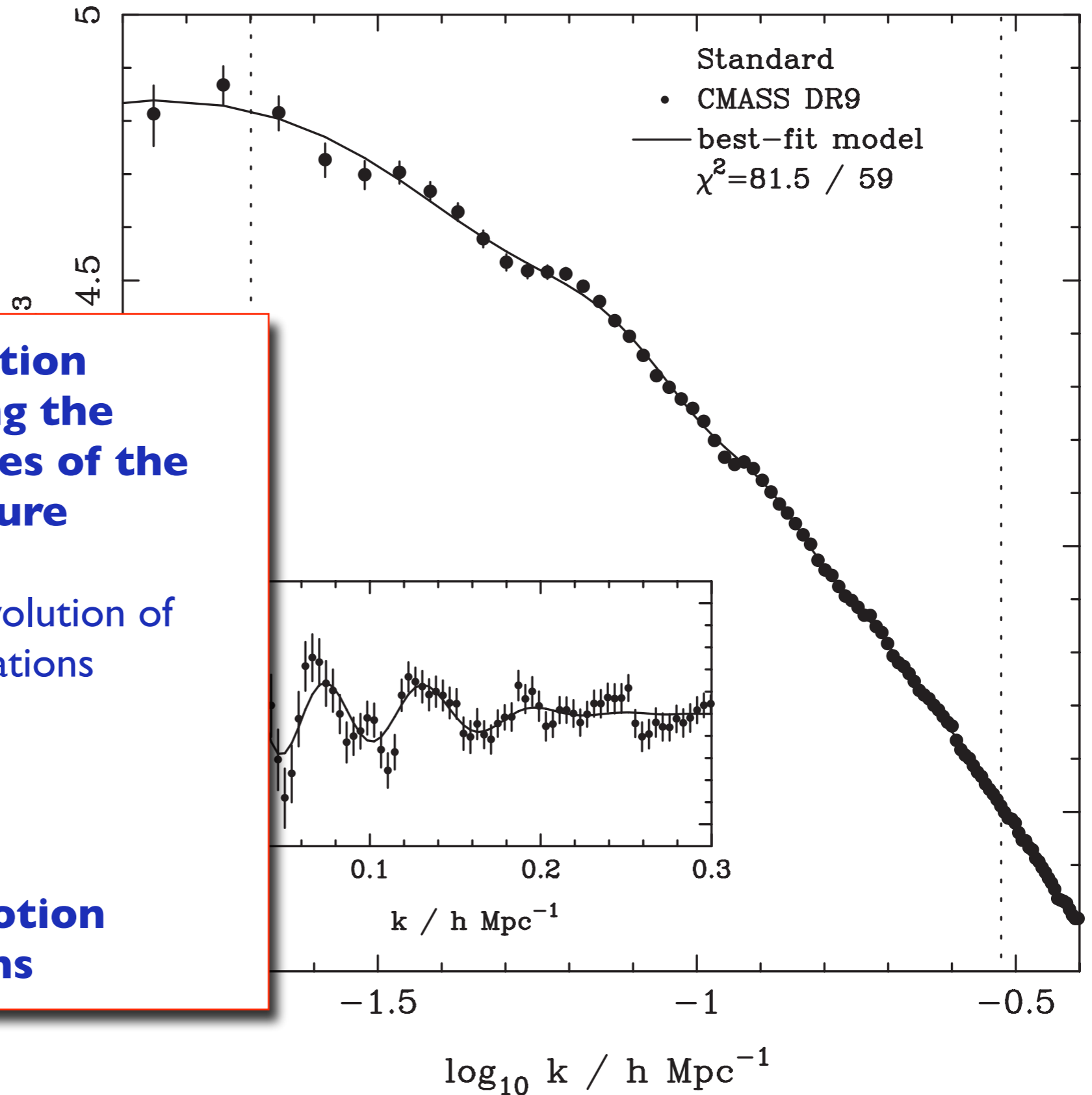
predict the correlation functions describing the statistical properties of the Large-Scale Structure

for this we study the evolution of matter density perturbations

$$\delta_{\vec{k}}(t)$$

We need:

- 1. Equations of motion**
- 2. Initial conditions**



Initial Conditions

Density Perturbations from Inflation

Inflation predicts the power spectrum of the primordial perturbations in the gravitational potential

$$\Delta_{\Phi}(k) \equiv 4\pi k^3 P_{\Phi}(k) \simeq \text{constant} \simeq (10^{-5})^2$$

Harrison-Zeldovich
power spectrum

$$P_{\Phi}(k) = \frac{2}{9M_p^4} \frac{H^2 V^2}{V'^2} k^{-4+n_s} \Big|_{aH=k}$$

amplitude

scale-dependence

spectral index: $n_s = 1 - 2M_p^2 \left(\frac{V'}{V}\right)^2 + 2M_p^2 \frac{V''}{V}$

$$\nabla^2 \Phi = 4\pi G a^2 \bar{\rho} \delta \quad \longrightarrow \quad P(k) \sim k^4 P_{\Phi}(k) \sim C k^{n_s}$$

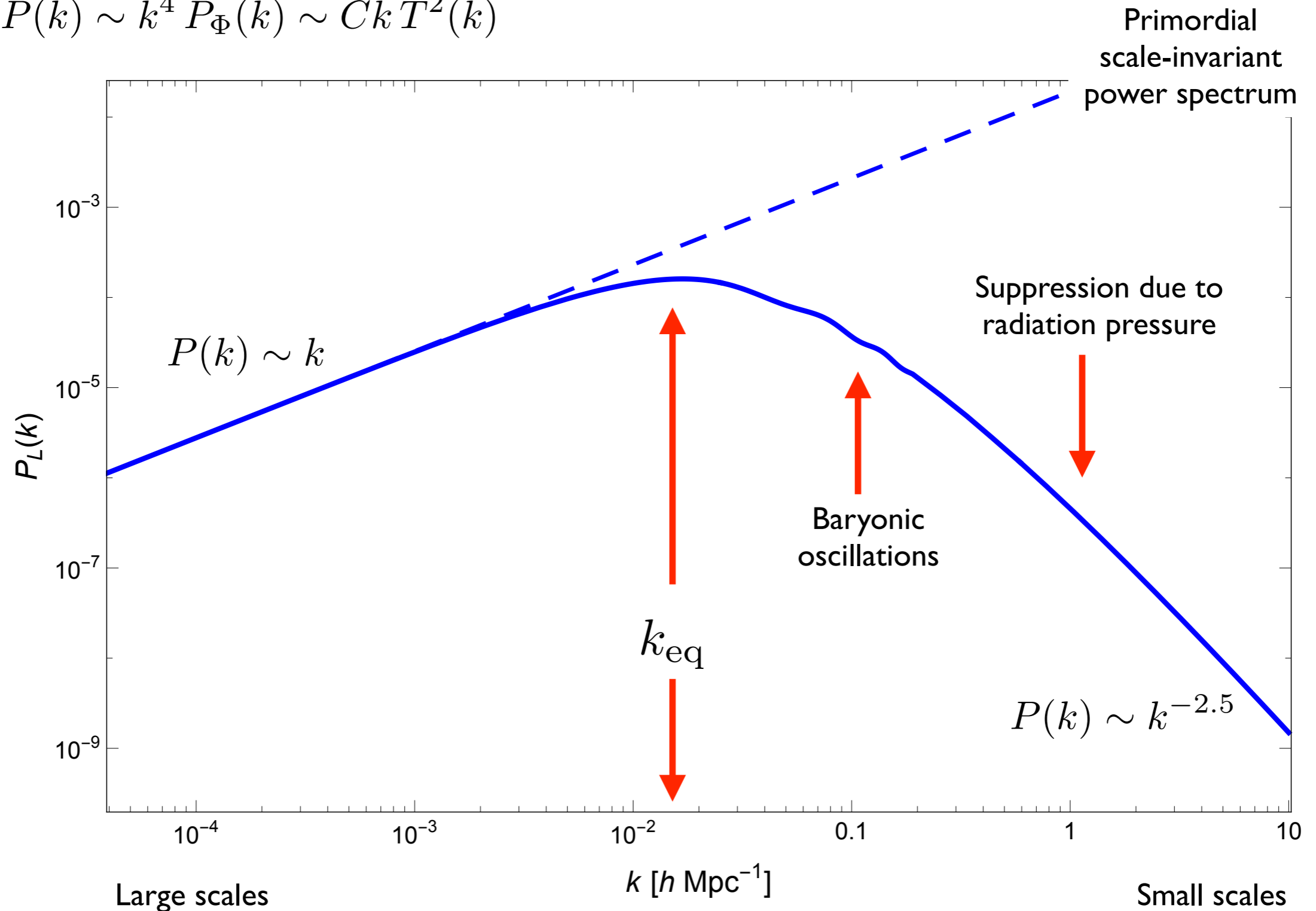
Poisson equation

matter power spectrum

The “initial” matter power spectrum

The linear matter power spectrum at recombination, $z \sim 1100$

$$P(k) \sim k^4 P_{\Phi}(k) \sim Ck T^2(k)$$



Linear Eulerian Perturbation Theory

Evolution of matter perturbations

We will consider now the following approximations for the evolution of matter perturbations:

1. **All matter is cold** (ignore the effects of baryons & neutrinos)

2. **Newtonian approximation:**

$k \gg a H(a)$ scales much smaller than the horizon

$v \ll c$ velocities much smaller than the speed of light

3. **Matter domination** (ignore effects of dark energy at late times)

Vlasov equation

PT review: Bernardeau et al. (2002)

Phase-space conservation for the particle number density $f(\tau, \vec{x}, \vec{p})$

$$\frac{df}{d\tau} \equiv \frac{\partial f}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\vec{p}}{am} \cdot \vec{\nabla} f - am \vec{\nabla} \Phi \cdot \vec{\nabla}_p f = 0$$

Comoving coordinates $\vec{x} = \vec{r}/a$ and conformal time τ

$$\int d^3p f(\tau, \vec{x}, \vec{p}) = \rho(\tau, \vec{x}) \quad \text{density}$$

$$\int d^3p \frac{\vec{p}}{am} f(\tau, \vec{x}, \vec{p}) = \rho(\tau, \vec{x}) \vec{u}(\tau, \vec{x}) \quad \text{peculiar velocity field, } \vec{u}$$

$$\int d^3p \frac{p_i p_j}{a^2 m^2} f(\tau, \vec{x}, \vec{p}) = \rho(\tau, \vec{x}) u_i(\tau, \vec{x}) u_j(\tau, \vec{x}) + \sigma_{ij}(\tau, \vec{x})$$

$$\text{stress-tensor} \quad \sigma_{ij} = \underbrace{-P \delta_{ij}^K}_{\text{pressure}} + \underbrace{\eta \left(\nabla_i u_j + \nabla_j u_i - \frac{2}{3} \delta_{ij}^K \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{u} \right)}_{\text{viscosity}} + \zeta \delta_{ij}^K \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{u}$$

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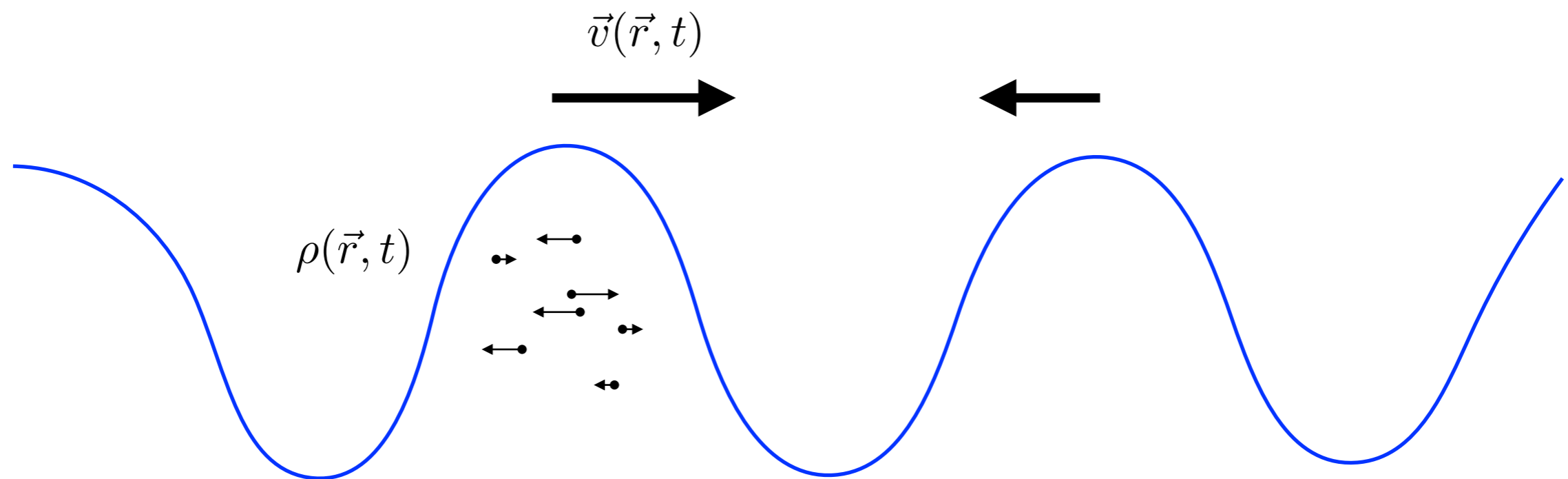
$\sigma_{ij} = 0$ **Single-stream approximation**



Closed set of equations
for density and velocity

Single-stream approximation

for **Cold** Dark Matter we can ignore the thermal motion of individual particles, and study the evolution of **perturbations**



Fluid equations for the perturbations

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$$\int d^3p \frac{df}{d\tau} = 0$$



$$\frac{\partial \delta}{\partial \tau} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot [(1 + \delta) \vec{u}] = 0$$

continuity equation
(conservation of mass)

$$\int d^3p \frac{p_i}{am} \frac{df}{d\tau} = 0$$



$$\frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial \tau} + \mathcal{H} \vec{u} + (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{u} = -\vec{\nabla} \Phi$$

Euler equation
(conservation of momentum)

$\sigma_{ij} = 0$ **Single-stream approximation**

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+

$$\nabla^2 \Phi = 4\pi G a^2 \bar{\rho} \delta$$

Poisson equation

3 equations &
3 unknowns:
 ρ, \vec{u}, Φ

Linear equations for the perturbations

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Euler equation

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Poisson equation

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continuity equation

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial \tau} + \mathcal{H} \vec{u} + (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{u} = -\vec{\nabla} \Phi \right)$$

Euler equation

$$\nabla^2 \Phi = \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{H}^2 \delta$$

Poisson equation

then introducing the **velocity divergence**

$$\theta(\vec{x}, \tau) \equiv \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{u}(\vec{x}, \tau)$$

Linear equations for the perturbations

$$\frac{\partial \delta}{\partial \tau} + \theta = 0 \quad \text{continuity equation}$$

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \tau} + \mathcal{H}\theta + \frac{3}{2}\mathcal{H}^2 \delta = 0 \quad \text{Euler's equation}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \delta}{\partial \tau^2} + \mathcal{H} \frac{\partial \delta}{\partial \tau} - \frac{3}{2}\mathcal{H}^2 \delta = 0$$

2nd order equation

↓ friction ↓ gravity

where (for a flat, matter-dominated Universe) $\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{a} \frac{da}{d\tau} = \frac{2}{\tau}$

Linear growth of perturbations

$$\frac{\partial^2 \delta_{\vec{k}}}{\partial \tau^2} + \mathcal{H} \frac{\partial \delta_{\vec{k}}}{\partial \tau} - \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{H}^2 \delta_{\vec{k}} = 0$$

2nd order equation in Fourier space

Linear growth of perturbations

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Look for a separable solution like $\delta_{\vec{k}}(\tau) = D(\tau) A_{\vec{k}}$ $D(\tau)$ **growth factor**

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} D_+(a) \sim a & \text{growing mode} \\ D_-(a) \sim a^{-3/2} & \text{decaying mode} \end{cases}$$

$$\delta_{\vec{k}}(a) = A_{\vec{k}} a + B_{\vec{k}} a^{-3/2}$$

$$\theta_{\vec{k}}(a) = -\frac{\partial \delta_{\vec{k}}}{\partial \tau} = -\mathcal{H} \left(A_{\vec{k}} a - \frac{3}{2} B_{\vec{k}} a^{-3/2} \right)$$

Linear growth of perturbations

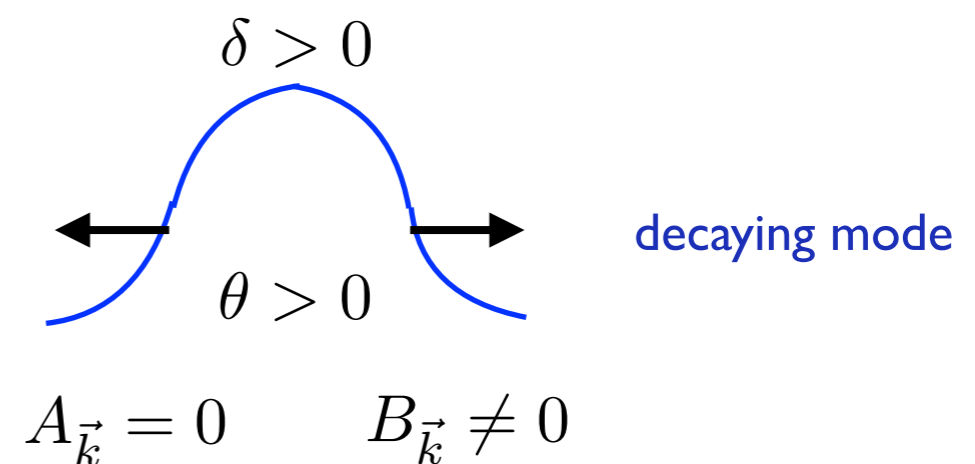
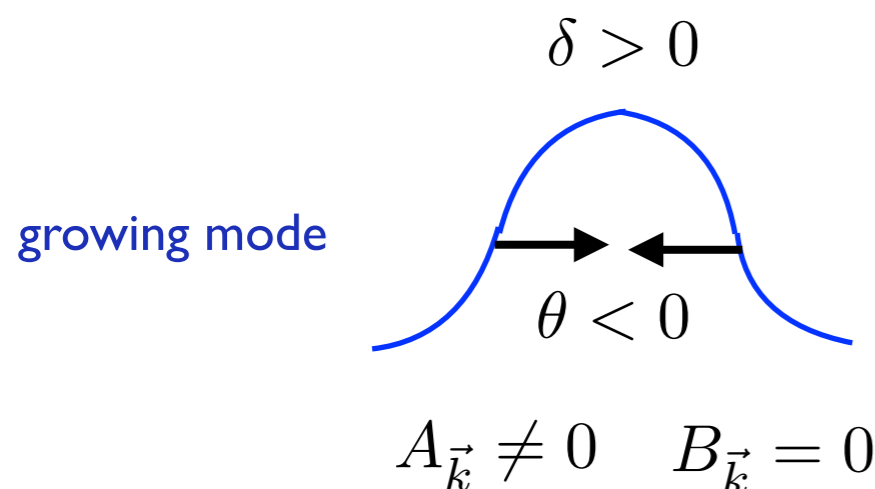
$$\frac{\partial^2 \delta_{\vec{k}}}{\partial \tau^2} + \mathcal{H} \frac{\partial \delta_{\vec{k}}}{\partial \tau} - \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{H}^2 \delta_{\vec{k}} = 0 \quad \text{2nd order equation in Fourier space}$$

Look for a separable solution like $\delta_{\vec{k}}(\tau) = D(\tau) A_{\vec{k}}$ $D(\tau)$ **growth factor**

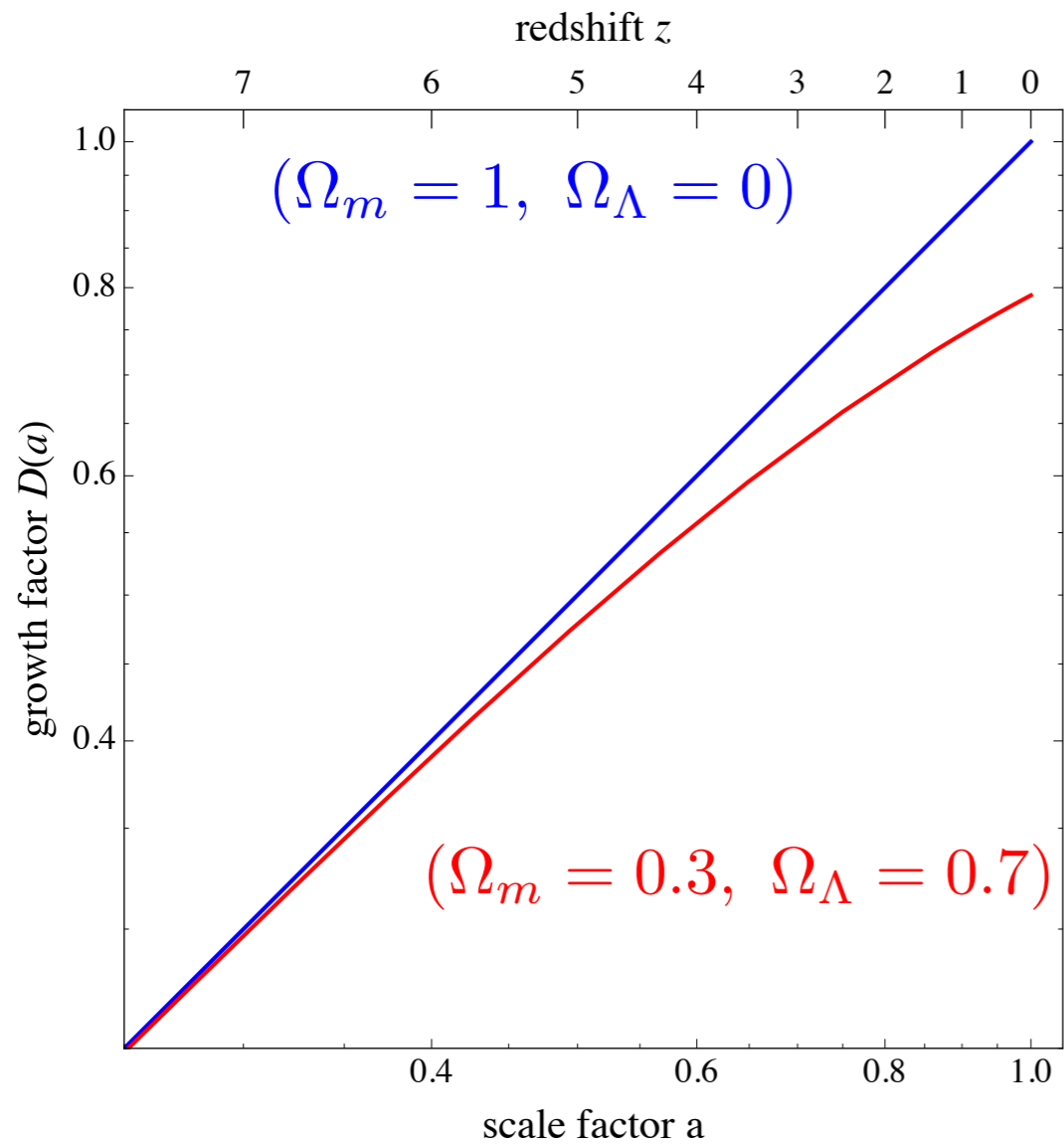
→ $\begin{cases} D_+(a) \sim a & \text{growing mode} \\ D_-(a) \sim a^{-3/2} & \text{decaying mode} \end{cases}$

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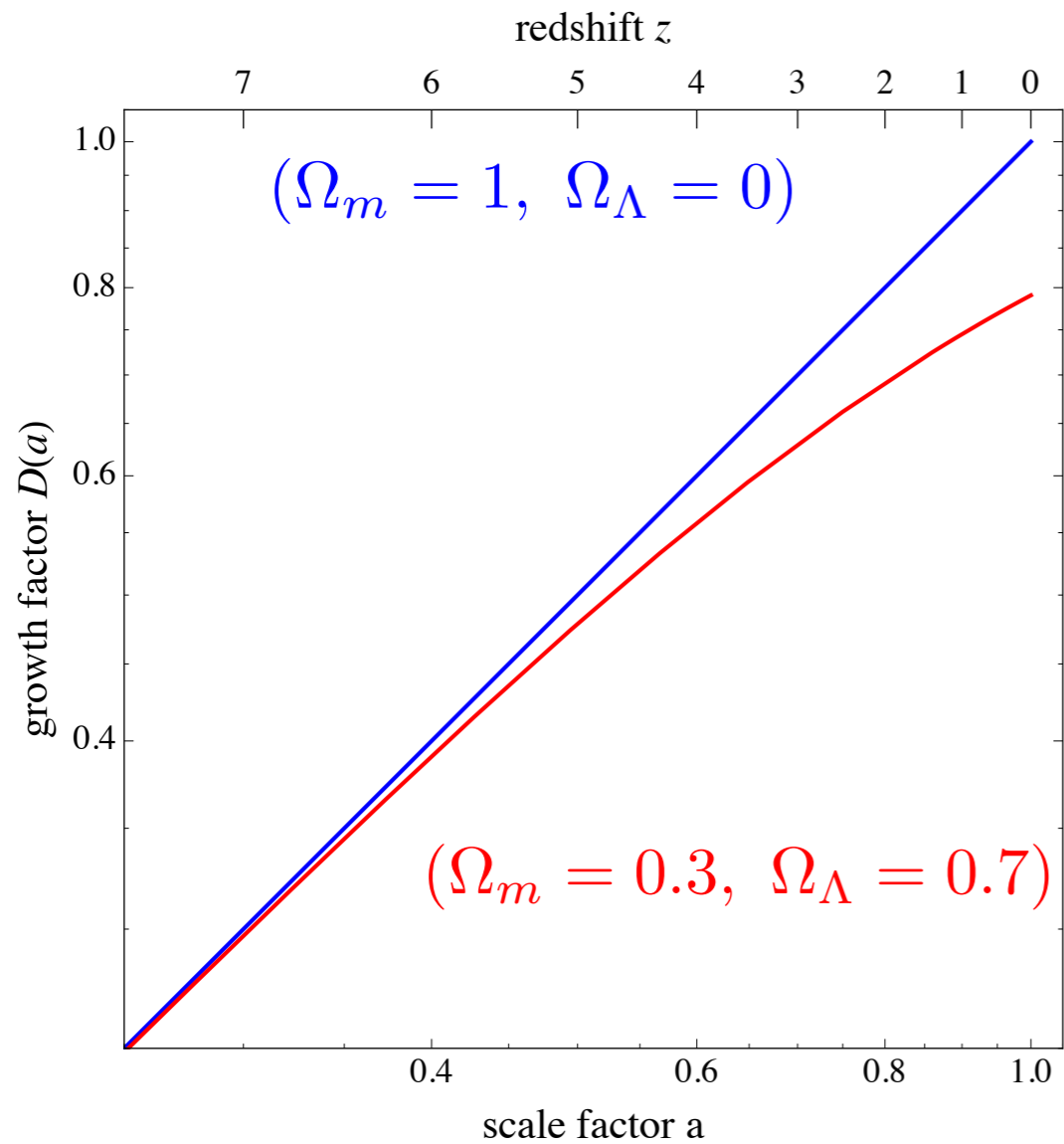
Linear growth in a Λ CDM cosmology



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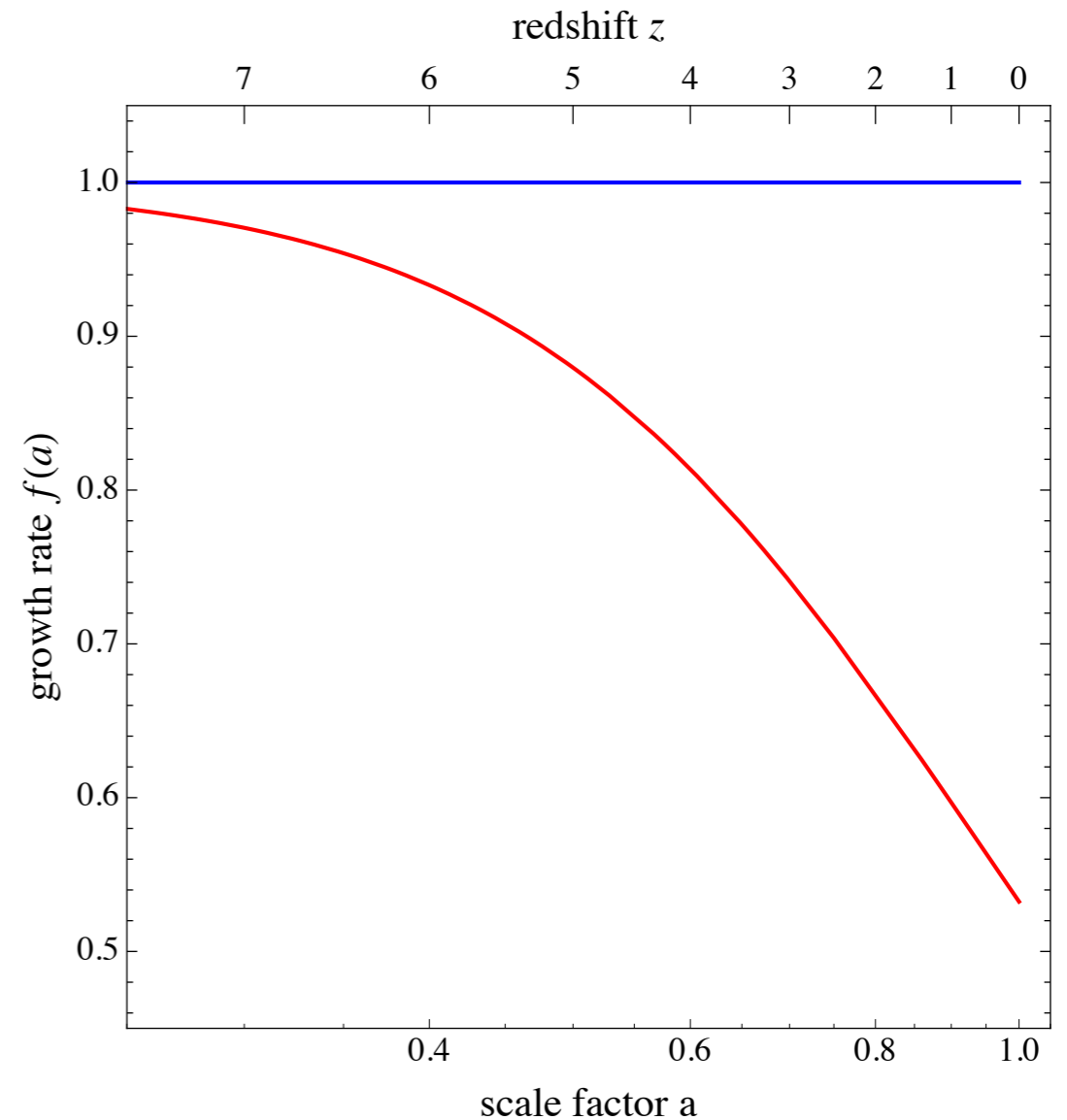
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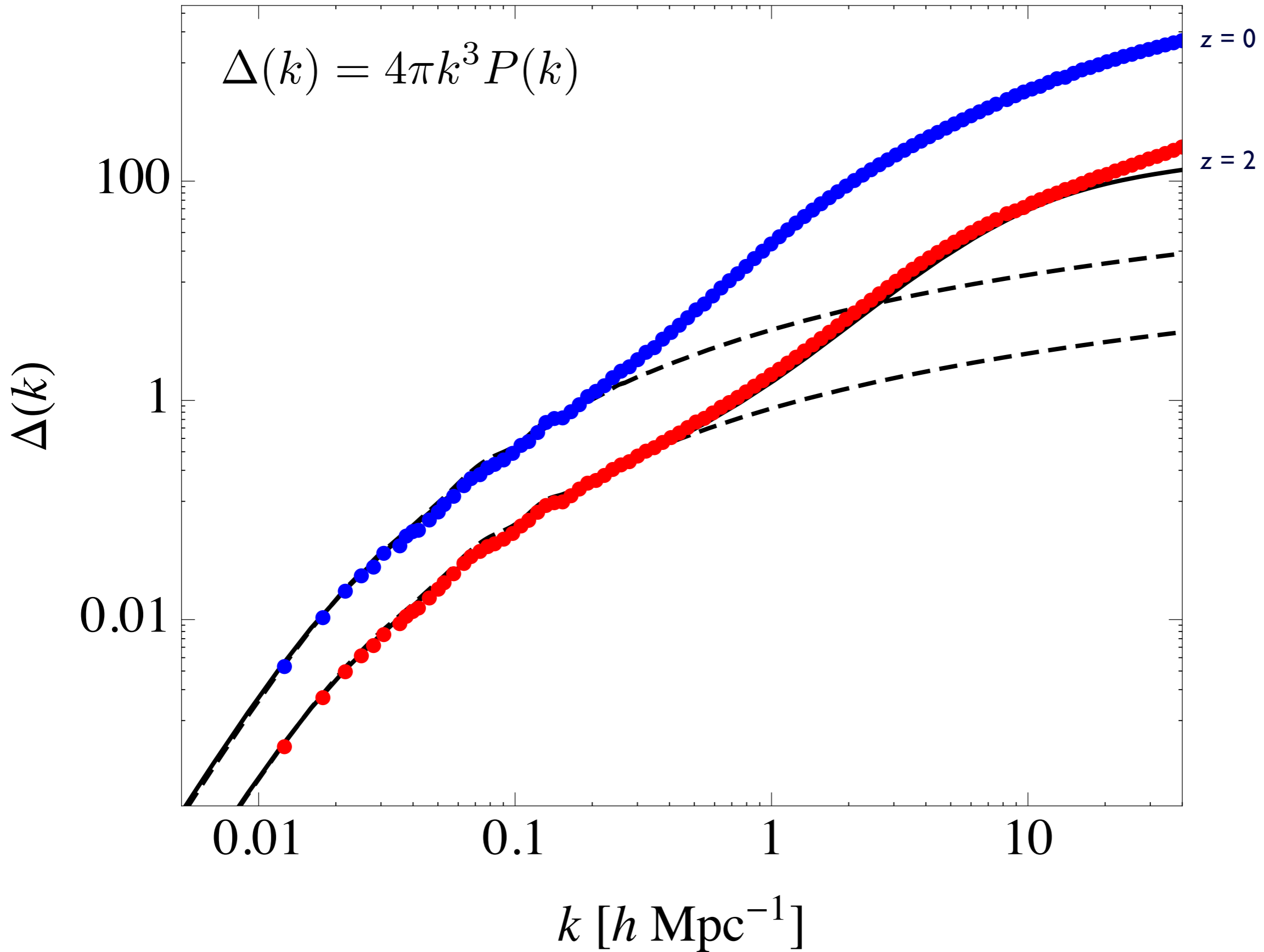
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growth rate

$$f \equiv \frac{d \ln D}{d \ln a} \simeq \Omega_m^\gamma(a)$$

Nonlinear growth of matter perturbations



Nonlinear growth of matter perturbations

Linear & mildly nonlinear regime:

Analytical, Perturbation Theory

$$P(k, z) = D_+^2(z)P_0(k) + P_{1\text{ loop}}(k, z) + P_{2\text{ loop}}(k, z) + \dots$$

$$\Delta(k) \equiv 4\pi k^3 P(k)$$

$\Delta(k)$

1

0.01

0.01

0.1

1

10

$k [h \text{ Mpc}^{-1}]$

$z = 0$

$z = 2$

Nonlinear regime:

Phenomenological models, N-body simulations

Nonlinear Perturbation Theory

Back to the Equations of Motion ($\Omega_m = 1$)

Assuming **CDM as ideal fluid** we need the following equations:

$$\frac{\partial \delta}{\partial \tau} + \theta + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\delta \vec{u}) = 0$$

continuity equation

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \tau} + \mathcal{H}\theta + \vec{\nabla} \cdot [(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla})\vec{u}] = -\frac{3}{2}\mathcal{H}^2\delta$$

Euler equation

$$\eta = \ln a \quad \vec{U} = -\frac{\vec{u}}{\mathcal{H}} \quad \Theta = -\frac{\theta}{\mathcal{H}} \quad \rightarrow$$

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Nonlinear solutions in SPT ($\Omega_m = 1$)

We can rewrite things a bit ...

$$\eta = \ln a \quad \vec{U} = -\frac{\vec{u}}{\mathcal{H}} \quad \Theta = -\frac{\theta}{\mathcal{H}} \quad \rightarrow$$

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In Fourier space ...

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Nonlinear solutions in SPT ($\Omega_m = 1$)

Now we can look for *perturbative* solutions of the form

$$\delta_{\vec{k}} = \delta_{\vec{k}}^{(1)} + \delta_{\vec{k}}^{(2)} + \dots$$

linear solution
($\sim a$)

quadratic correction ($\sim a^2$)

$$\delta_{\vec{k}}^{(2)} = \int d^3q F_2(\vec{k} - \vec{q}, \vec{q}) \delta_{\vec{k}-\vec{q}}^{(1)} \delta_{\vec{q}}^{(1)}$$

Then we can match order by order ...

$$\frac{\partial \delta_{\vec{k}}^{(1)}}{\partial \eta} + \Theta_{\vec{k}}^{(1)} = 0$$



linear solution

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$\sim a^2$ $\sim a^2$ $\sim a^2$ $\sim a$ $\sim a$

 $F_2(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2) = \frac{2}{7} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{(\vec{k}_1 \cdot \vec{k}_2)}{k_1 k_2} \left(\frac{k_1}{k_2} + \frac{k_2}{k_1} \right) + \frac{5}{7} \frac{(\vec{k}_1 \cdot \vec{k}_2)^2}{k_1^2 k_2^2}$

Nonlinear solutions in SPT (Λ CDM)

Poisson equation now reads

$$\nabla^2 \Phi = \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{H}^2 \Omega_m \delta \quad \text{NB: time-dependent } \Omega_m(a)$$

and, using the linear growth factor as time variable and defining now $\Theta \equiv -\theta/(f\mathcal{H})$, $f = d \ln D / d \ln a$ being the growth rate

the Euler equation becomes

$$\frac{\partial \Theta_{\vec{k}}}{\partial \eta} + \left(\frac{3}{2} \frac{\Omega_m}{f^2} - 1 \right) \Theta_{\vec{k}} + \frac{3}{2} \frac{\Omega_m}{f^2} \delta_{\vec{k}} = - \int \delta_D(\dots) \frac{(\vec{k}_1 \cdot \vec{k}_2) k_{12}^2}{2k_1^2 k_2^2} \Theta \Theta$$

... not separable anymore! However, it happens that $f \simeq \Omega_m^{0.55}(a)$, and so

$$\frac{\Omega_m}{f^2} \simeq 1 \quad \delta_{\vec{k}} = \underbrace{\delta_{\vec{k}}^{(1)}}_{\sim D(a)} + \underbrace{\delta_{\vec{k}}^{(2)}}_{\sim D^2(a)} + \dots$$

and the kernels derived for EdS ($\Omega_m = 1$) are still a very good approximation

Non-Gaussianity from nonlinear evolution

From the perturbative solution for the matter density we obtain a perturbative solution for the matter 3-point function, or, in Fourier-space, the bispectrum

$$\langle \delta\delta\delta \rangle = \langle \delta^{(1)}\delta^{(1)}\delta^{(1)} \rangle + \langle \delta^{(1)}\delta^{(1)}\delta^{(2)} \rangle + \dots \quad \text{loop corrections}$$

$= 0$ for Gaussian initial conditions non-zero bispectrum induced by gravity

The leading order (tree-level) expression is

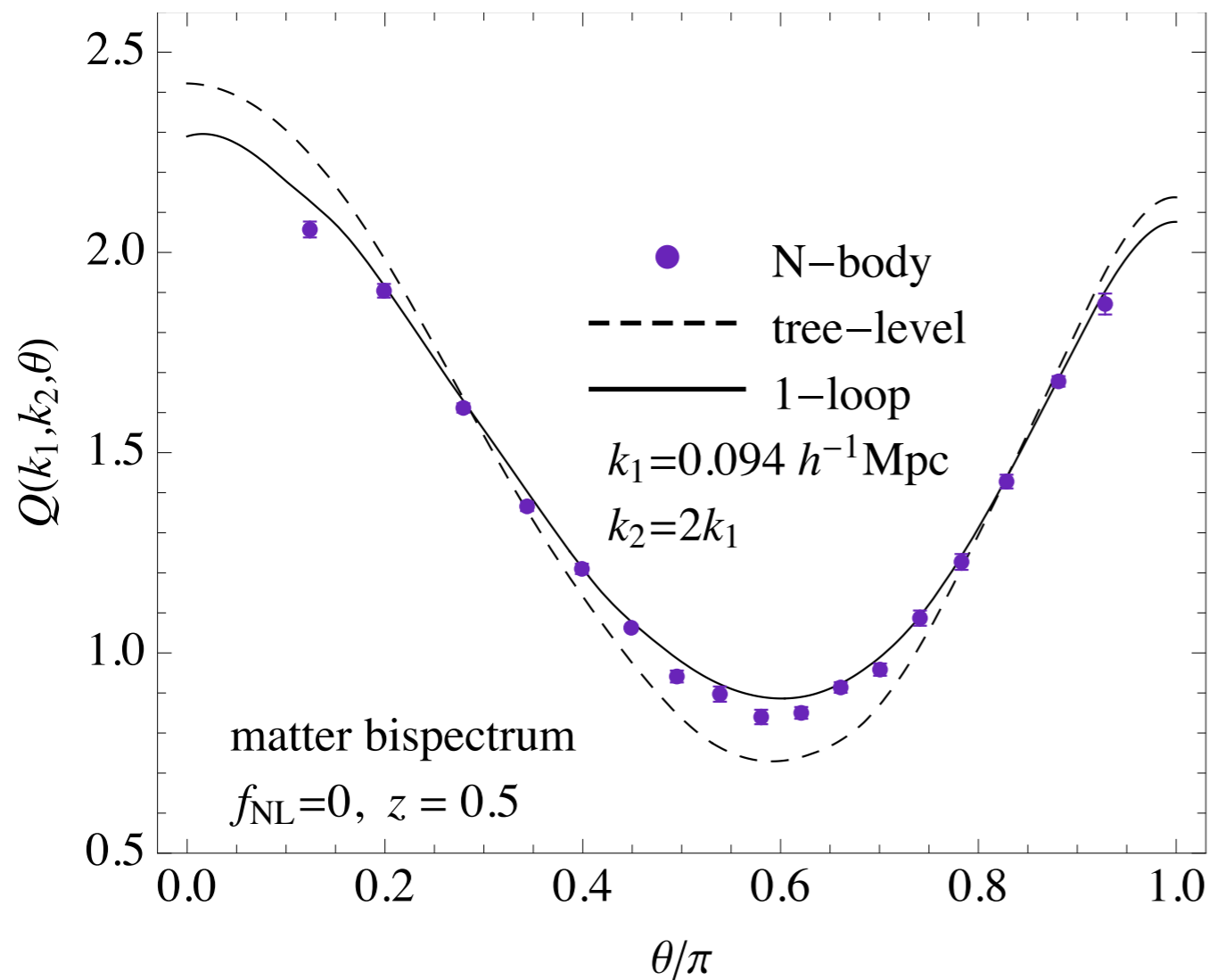
$$B(k_1, k_2, k_3) = F_2(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2) P_L(k_1) P_L(k_2) + 2 \text{ perm.}$$

**A (very specific)
non-Gaussianity
is induced
by the nonlinear evolution**

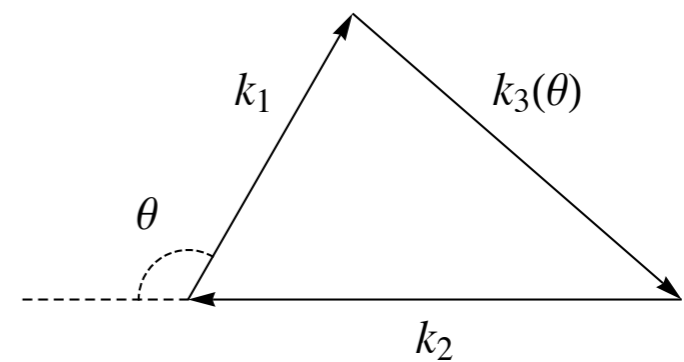
The matter bispectrum

A reduced bispectrum:

$$Q(k_1, k_2, k_3) = \frac{B(k_1, k_2, k_3)}{P(k_1)P(k_2) + P(k_1)P(k_3) + P(k_2)P(k_3)}$$

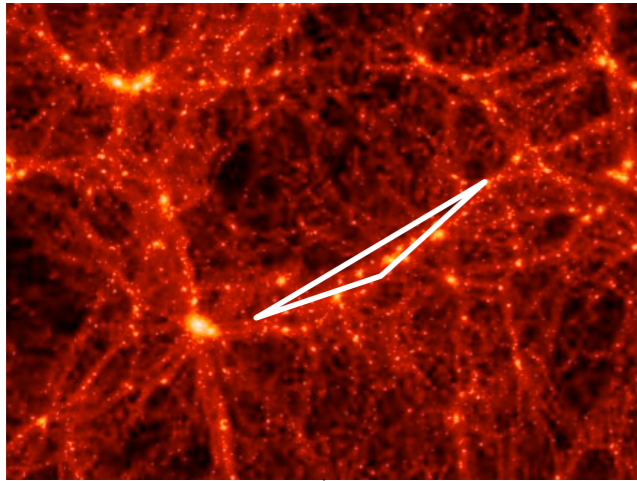


Plot of the reduced bispectrum with **fixed** k_1 and k_2 as a function of the **angle** between the two wavenumbers

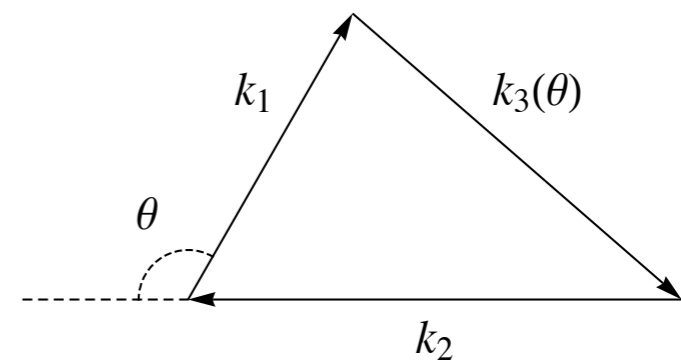
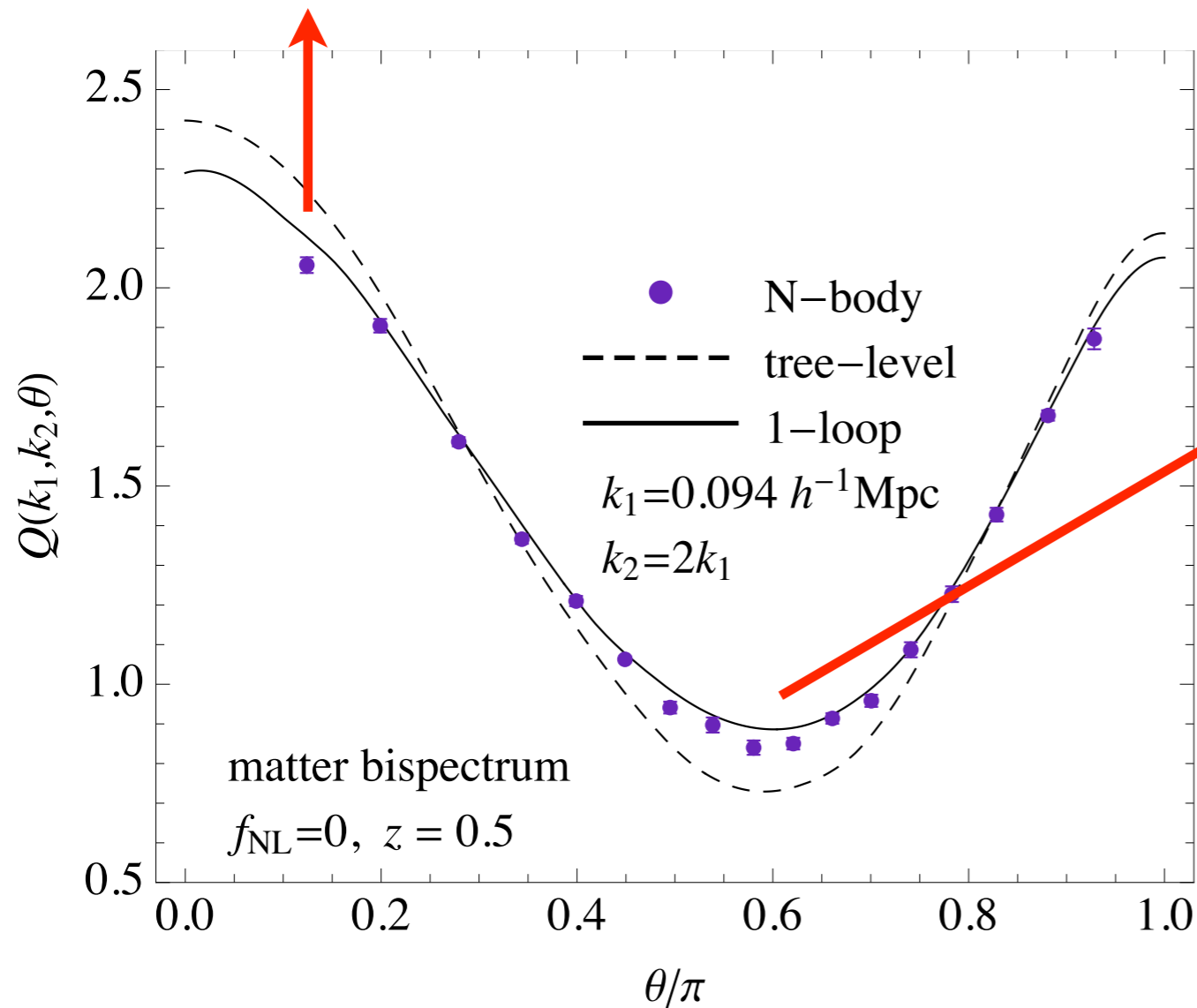
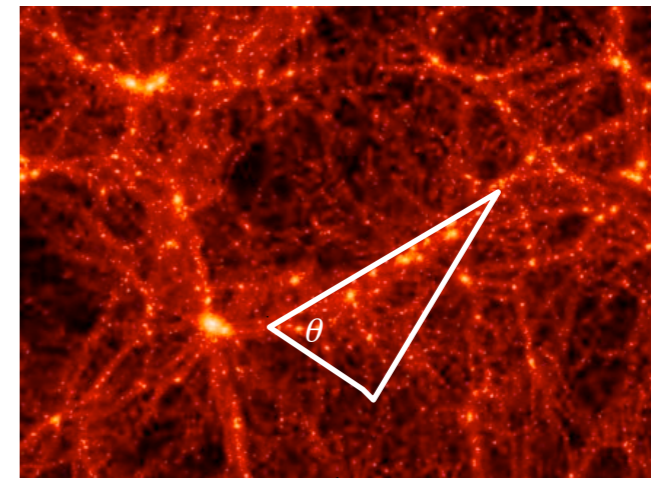


The matter bispectrum

We can predict (quantitatively) the non-Gaussianity we recognise (qualitatively) in the LSS



$$Q(k_1, k_2, k_3) = \frac{B(k_1, k_2, k_3)}{P(k_1)P(k_2) + P(k_1)P(k_3) + P(k_2)P(k_3)}$$



The nonlinear Power Spectrum in SPT

Again, from the perturbative solution for the matter density we obtain a perturbative solution for nonlinear matter power spectrum

$$\delta_D(\vec{k}_{12})P(k) \equiv \langle \delta_{\vec{k}_1} \delta_{\vec{k}_2} \rangle =$$

$$\langle \delta_{\vec{k}_1}^{(1)} \delta_{\vec{k}_2}^{(1)} \rangle + \langle \delta_{\vec{k}_1}^{(1)} \delta_{\vec{k}_2}^{(2)} \rangle + \text{perm.} + \langle \delta_{\vec{k}_1}^{(2)} \delta_{\vec{k}_2}^{(2)} \rangle + \langle \delta_{\vec{k}_1}^{(1)} \delta_{\vec{k}_2}^{(3)} \rangle + \text{perm.} + \mathcal{O}(\delta_L^5)$$

Linear power
spectrum
 $P_L(k)$

$\sim \langle \delta^{(1)} \delta^{(1)} \delta^{(1)} \rangle = 0$
for Gaussian
initial conditions

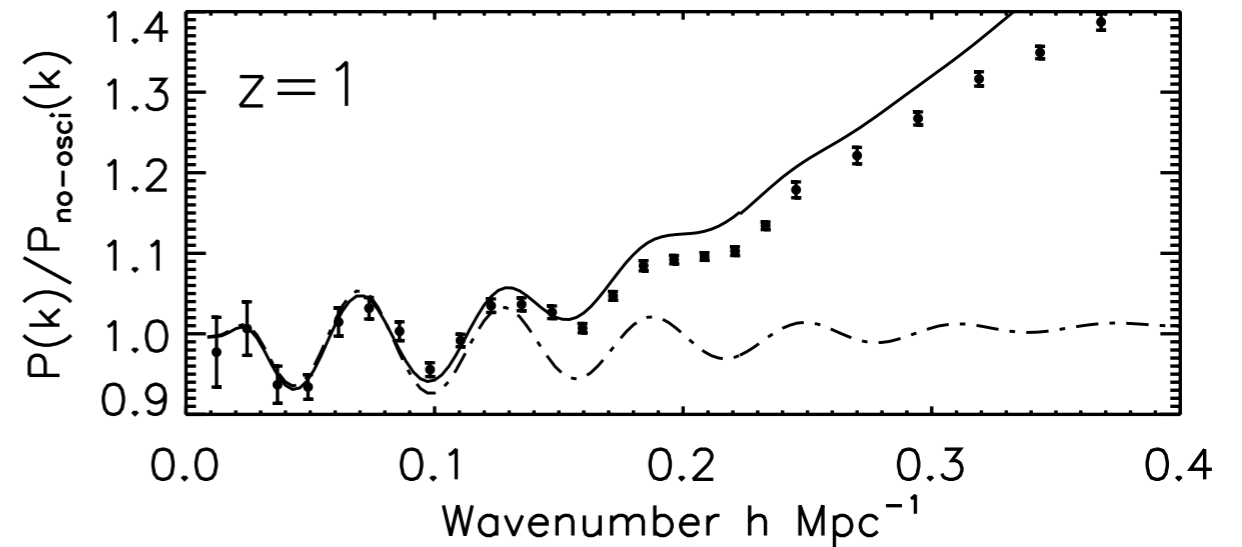
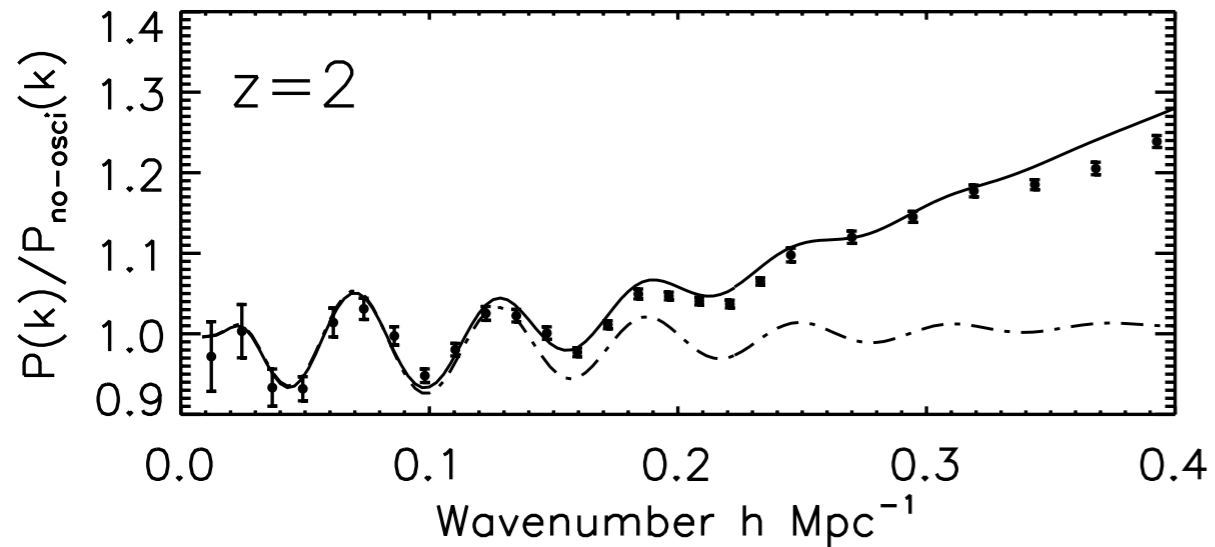
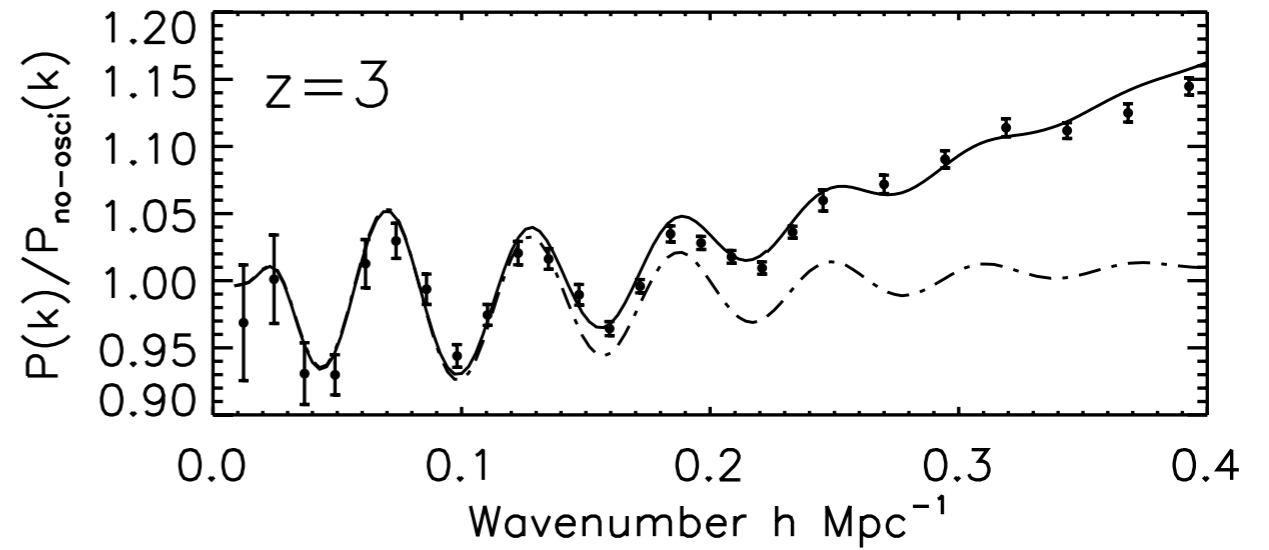
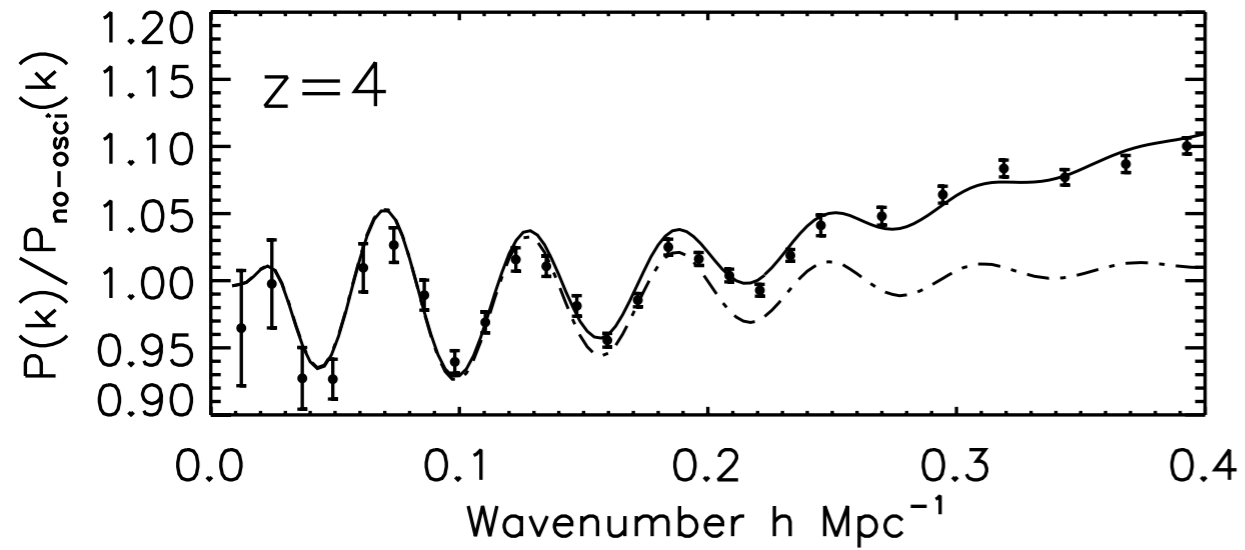
$P_{22}(k)$ and $P_{13}(k)$
one-loop corrections



$$P_{22}(k) = 2 \int d^3 q F_2(\vec{q}, \vec{k} - \vec{q}) P_L(q) P_L(|\vec{k} - \vec{q}|)$$

$$P_{13}(k) = 6 P_L(k) \int d^3 q F_3(\vec{k}, \vec{q}, \vec{k} - \vec{q}) P_L(q)$$

The matter power spectrum at one-loop



Some problems with Standard PT

- No small parameters (unlike QED)
- The expansion is ill-defined
- The convergence of the loop integrals is accidental ...

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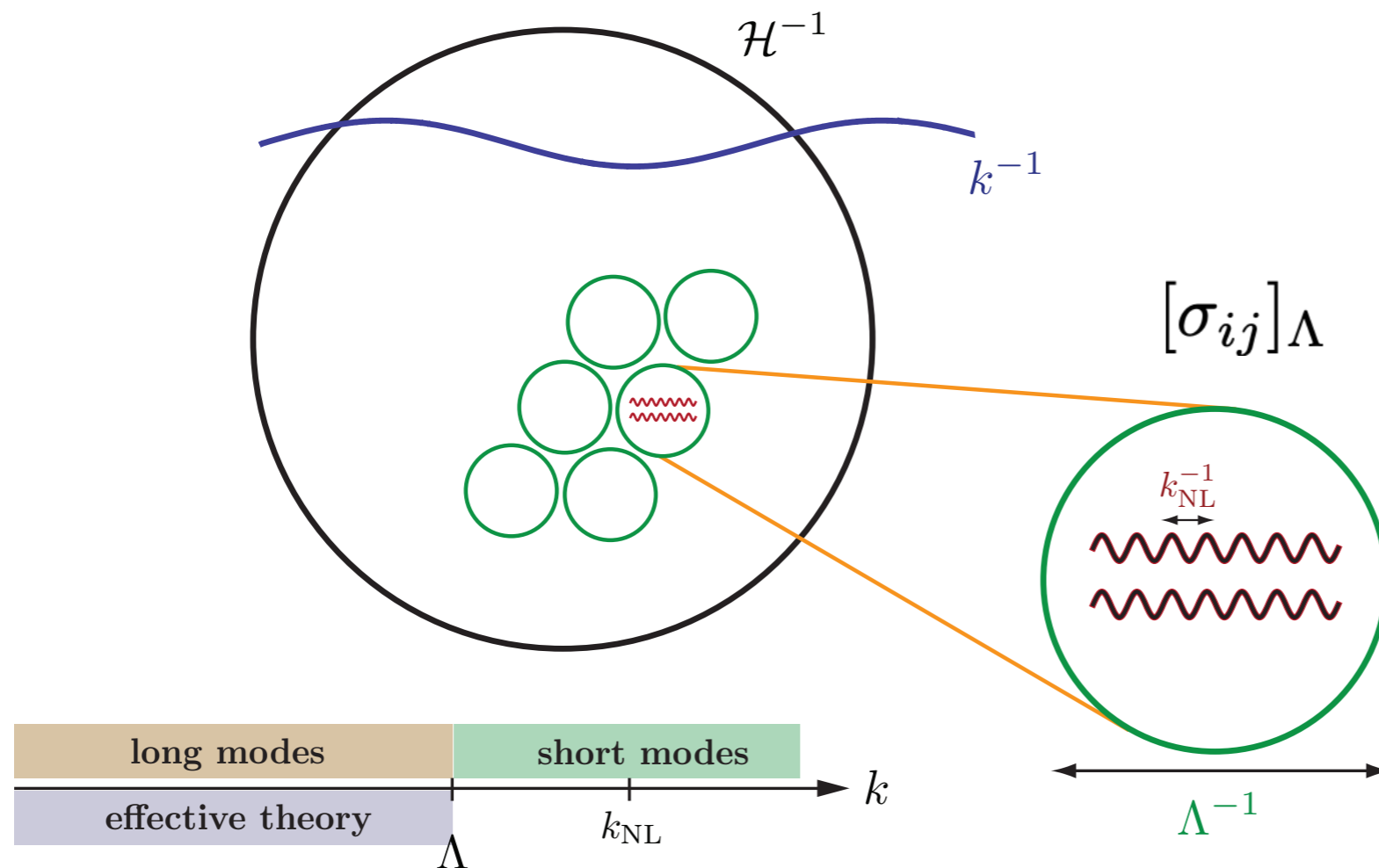
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Effective Field Theory of Large-Scale Structure

We still have the problem of how to deal with the small scale dynamics, or, more precisely, the *effect of small scales on large-scale perturbations*

$$\delta = \delta_l + \delta_s$$

$$\delta_l(\vec{x}) = \int d^3y W_\Lambda(|\vec{x} - \vec{y}|) \delta(\vec{y})$$



Even assuming a vanishing stress-tensor, $\sigma_{ij} = 0$ (as we did in the single-stream approximation), small-scale dynamics induces an **effective stress tensor**, affecting the large-scale perturbations


Effective Field Theory of Large-Scale Structure

We can expect an additional term in Euler equation

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \tau} + \mathcal{H}\theta + \vec{\nabla} \cdot [(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla})\vec{u}] = -\frac{3}{2}\mathcal{H}^2\delta - \frac{1}{\bar{\rho}}\nabla_i\nabla_j\langle[\sigma_{ij}]_\Lambda\rangle$$

with the effective stress-tensor depending on large-scale fluctuations

$$\langle[\sigma_{ij}]_\Lambda\rangle = \langle[\sigma_{ij}]_\Lambda\rangle_0 + \left.\frac{\partial\langle[\sigma_{ij}]_\Lambda\rangle}{\partial\delta_l}\right|_{\delta_l=0}\delta_l + \mathcal{O}(\delta_l^2)$$

FT
 $-\frac{1}{\bar{\rho}}k_ik_j\langle[\sigma_{ij}]_\Lambda\rangle \supset k^2\left(c_s^2\delta_l + c_v^2\frac{\theta_l}{f\mathcal{H}}\right) = k^2c_0\delta_l^{(1)}$

our nonlinear solution for the matter density becomes

$$\delta_l = \delta_l^{(1)} + \delta_l^{(2)} + \delta_l^{(3)} + c_0k^2\delta_l^{(1)} + \dots$$

with c_0 a free parameter ...


The one-loop power spectrum in the EFTofLSS

The 2-point correlator gains a new contribution

$$\langle \delta_l \delta_l \rangle \supset \langle \delta_l^{(1)} c_0 k^2 \delta_l^{(1)} \rangle \sim c_0 k^2 P_L(k)$$

A counterterm regularising the one-loop integrals

$$P(k) = P_L(k) + P_{22}(k) + P_{13}(k) + c_0 k^2 P_L(k) + \mathcal{O}(\delta_l^6)$$


$$\int_0^\infty = \int_0^k + \int_k^\infty \quad \longrightarrow \quad P_{22}^{\text{UV}} + P_{13}^{\text{UV}} \simeq P_{13}^{\text{UV}} \simeq \frac{16}{23} P_L(k) k^2 \int_k^\infty \frac{q}{2\pi^2} P_L(q)$$

The value of c_0 ensures the convergence of the integrals. In practice this is a nuisance parameter to be fixed in the comparison with data or simulations

The reach of PT models

