

What Galaxy Surveys Really Measure.

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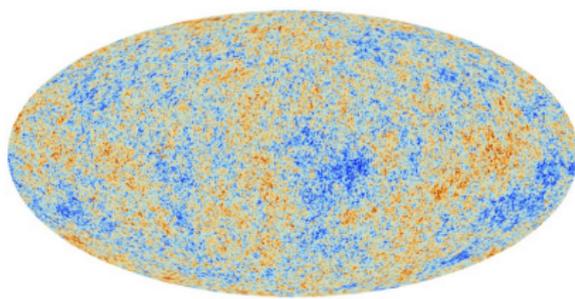
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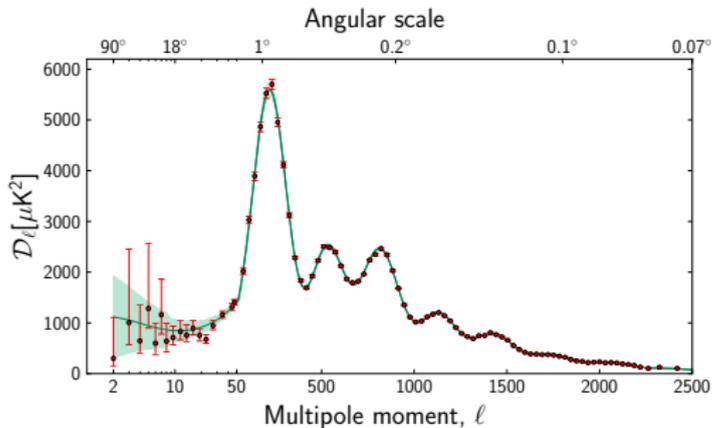
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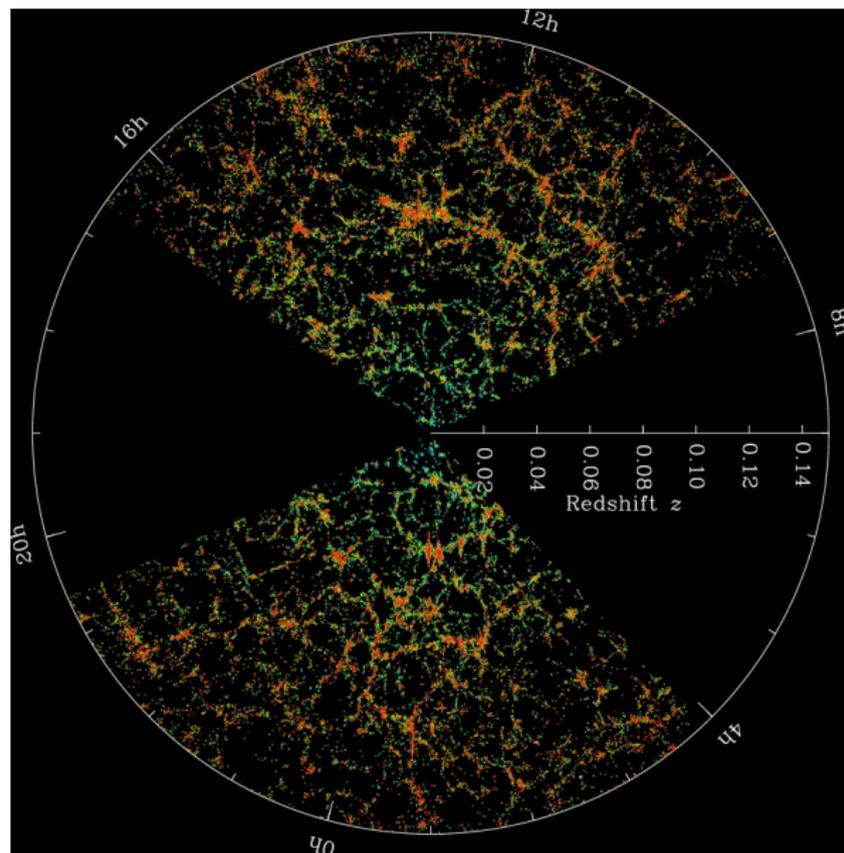
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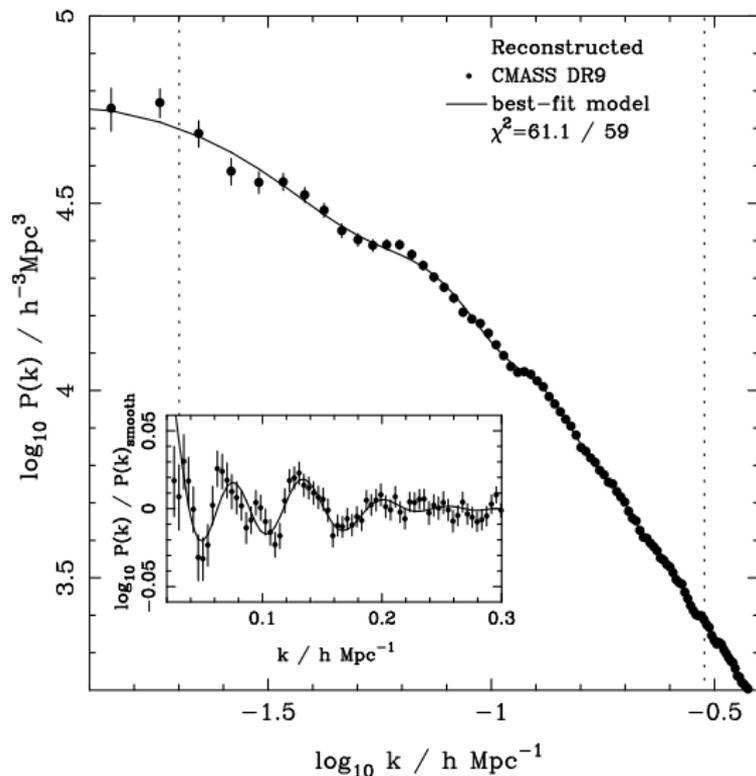
The Planck Collaboration:
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M. Blanton and the Sloan Digital Sky Survey Team.

Galaxy power spectrum from the Sloan Digital Sky Survey (BOSS)



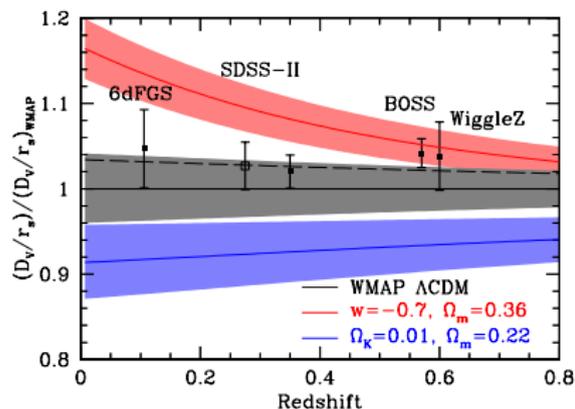
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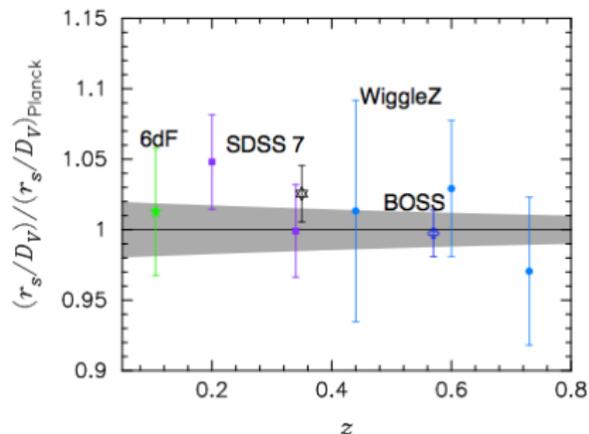
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Introduction

The observed Universe is well approximated by a Λ CDM model,
 $\Omega_\Lambda \simeq 0.72$, $\Omega_m = \Omega_{cdm} + \Omega_b \simeq 0.28$, $\Omega_b \simeq 0.04$.



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- **Whenever we convert a measured redshift or angle into a length scale, we make an assumption about the underlying cosmology.**

$$D(z) = \int_0^z \frac{dz'}{H(z')}$$

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With this, the density fluctuation in redshift space becomes

$$\delta_z(\mathbf{n}, z) = D_g(\mathbf{n}, z) + 3(\mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{n})(\mathbf{n}, z) + 3(\Psi + \Phi)(\mathbf{n}, z) + 3 \int_0^{x_S} (\dot{\Psi} + \dot{\Phi})(\mathbf{n}, z(\chi)) d\chi$$

This quantity is gauge invariant and therefore, in principle, measurable. But when we count numbers of galaxies per solid angle and per redshift bin, we also have to consider volume perturbations.

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(C. Bonvin & RD '11)

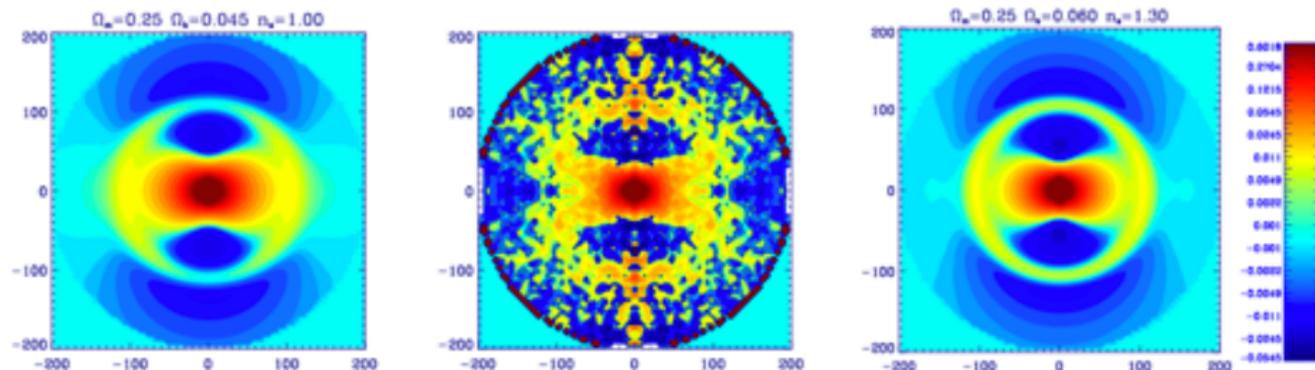
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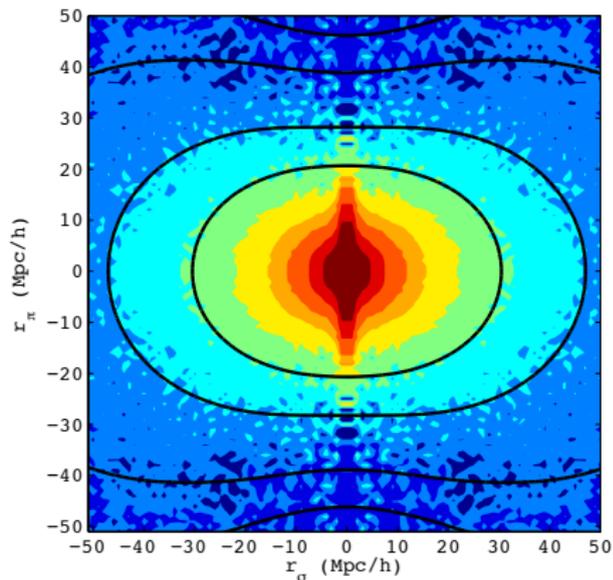
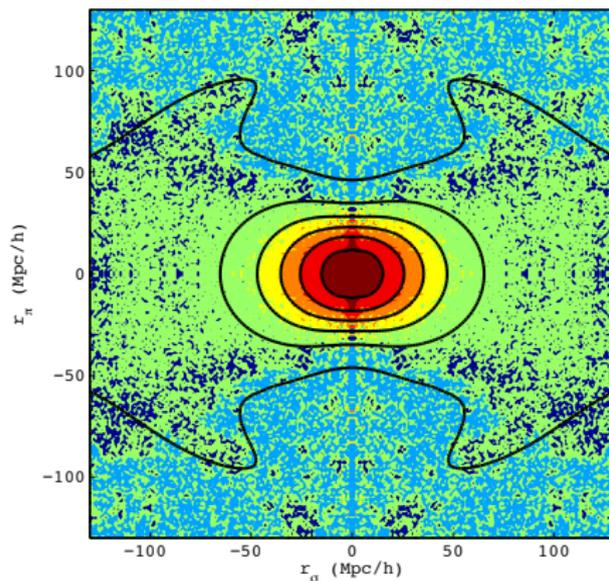


(From Gaztanaga et al. 2008)

The correlation function is not isotropic \Rightarrow redshift space distortions.

Anisotropic clustering as seen in the BOSS survey

(from Reid et al. '12)



The angular power spectrum of galaxy density fluctuations

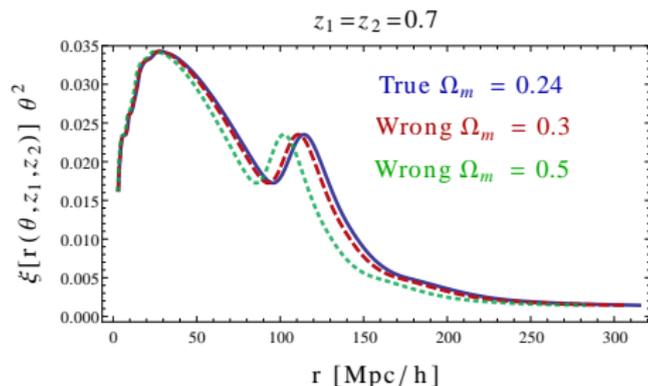
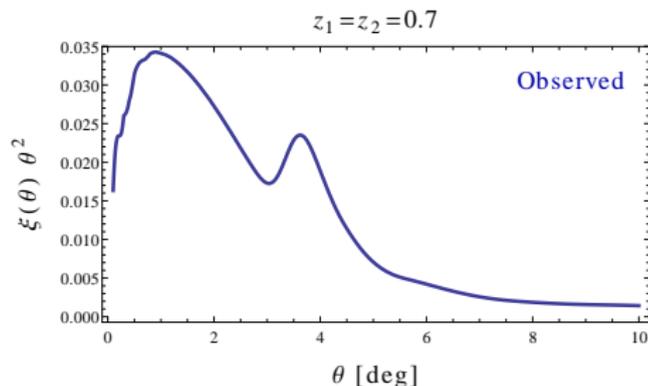
For fixed z , we can expand $\Delta(\mathbf{n}, z)$ in spherical harmonics,

$$\Delta(\mathbf{n}, z) = \sum_{\ell m} a_{\ell m}(z) Y_{\ell m}(\mathbf{n}), \quad C_{\ell}(z, z') = \langle a_{\ell m}(z) a_{\ell m}^*(z') \rangle.$$

$$\xi(\theta, z, z') = \langle \Delta(\mathbf{n}, z) \Delta(\mathbf{n}', z') \rangle = \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{\ell} (2\ell + 1) C_{\ell}(z, z') P_{\ell}(\cos \theta)$$

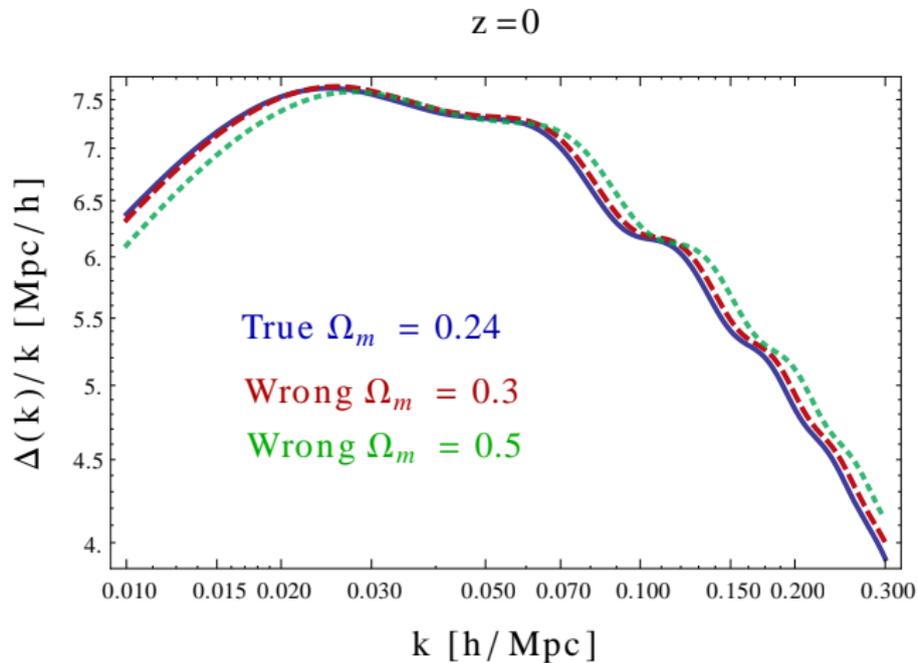
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If we convert the measured $\xi(\theta, z, z')$ to a power spectrum, we have to introduce a cosmology, to convert angles and redshifts into length scales. $r(z, z', \theta) = \sqrt{\chi^2(z) + \chi^2(z') - 2\chi(z)\chi(z') \cos \theta}$.



(Figure by F. Montanari)

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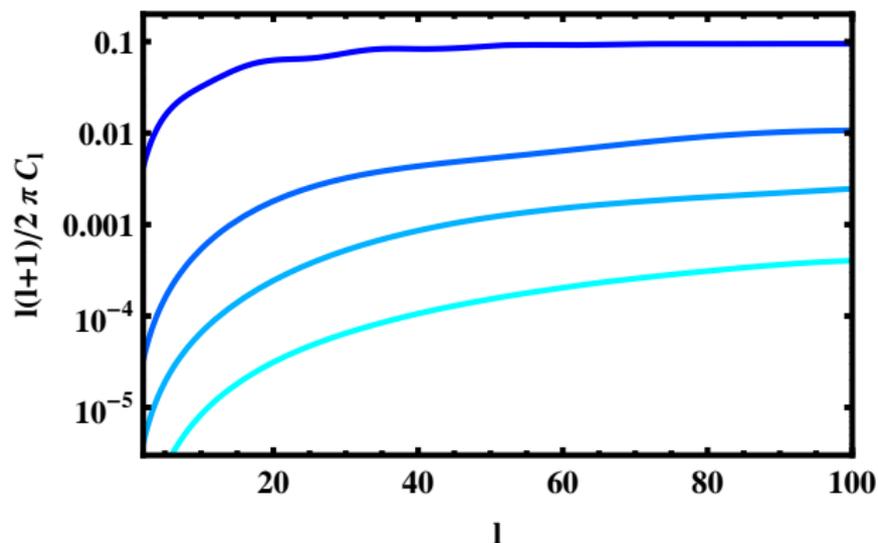


(Figure by F. Montanari)

$$\Delta(k)/k = k^2 P(k)$$

The transversal power spectrum

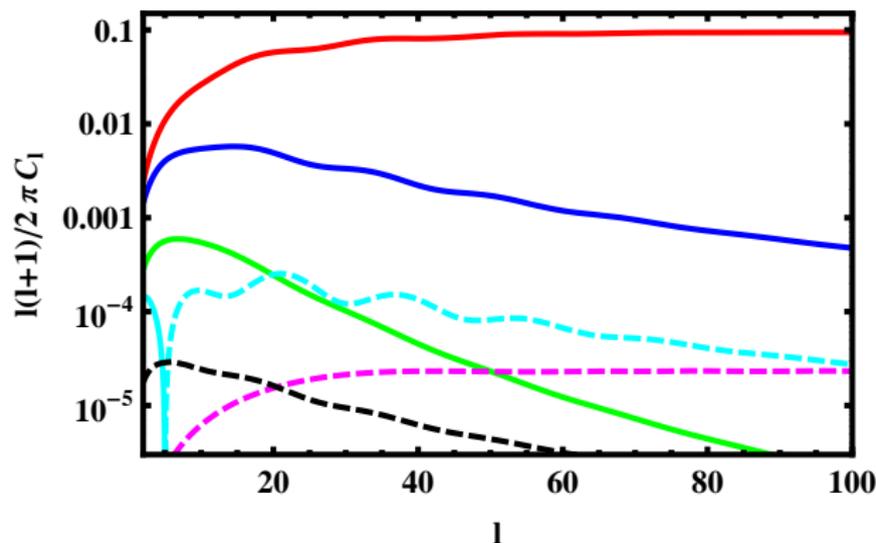
The transverse power spectrum, $z' = z$ (from [Bonvin & RD '11](#))



From top to bottom $z = 0.1$, $z = 0.5$, $z = 1$ and $z = 3$.

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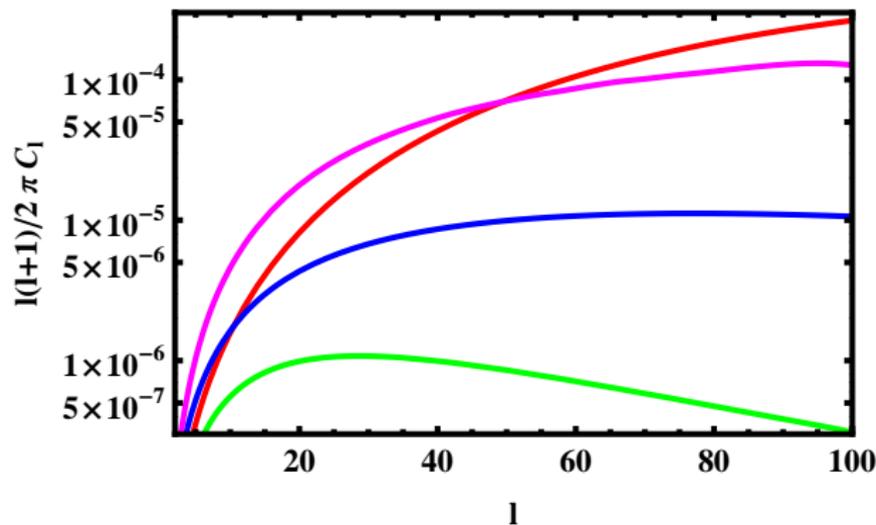
Contributions to the transverse power spectrum at redshift $z = 0.1$, $\Delta z = 0.01$
(from [Bonvin & RD '11](#))



C_ℓ^{DD} (red), C_ℓ^{zz} (green), $2C_\ell^{Dz}$ (blue), $C_\ell^{Doppler}$ (cyan), $C_\ell^{lensing}$ (magenta), C_ℓ^{grav} (black).

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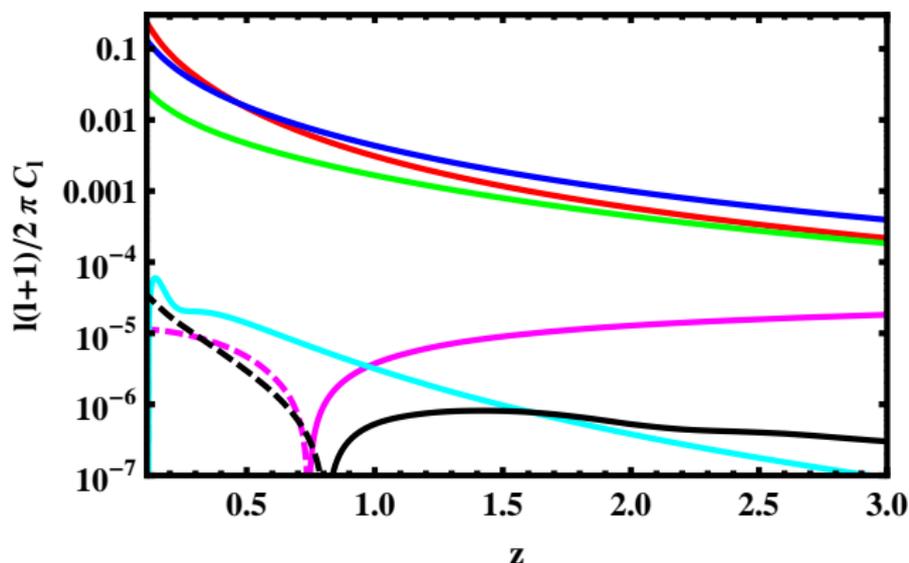
Contributions to the transverse power spectrum at redshift $z = 3$, $\Delta z = 0.3$
(from [Bonvin & RD '11](#))



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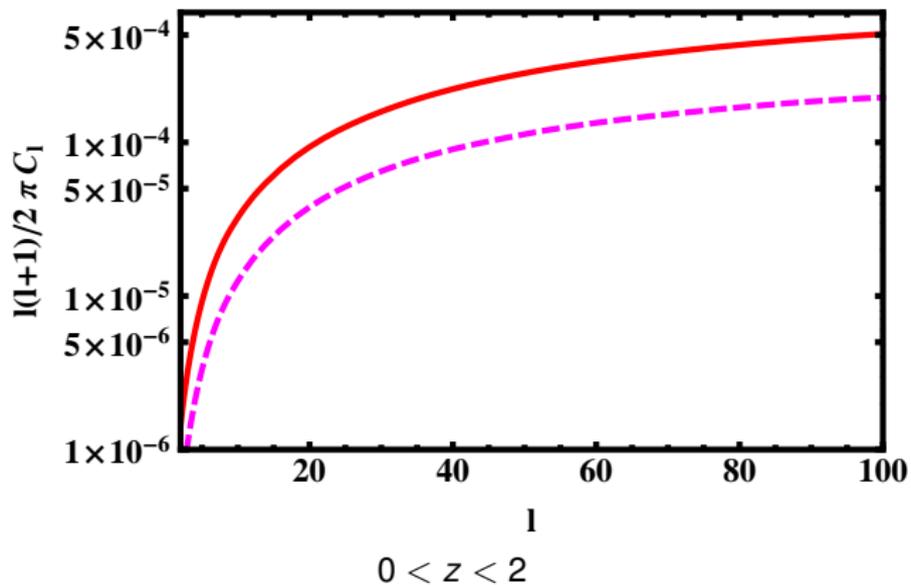
The transversal power spectrum

Contributions to the transversal power spectrum as function of the redshift, $\ell = 20$, $\Delta z = 0$ (from [Bonvin & RD '11](#))



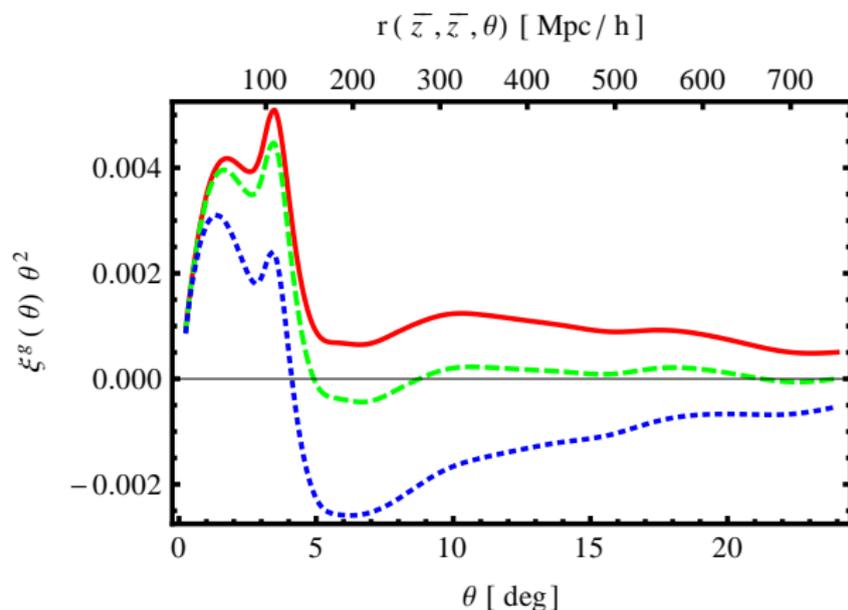
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C_ℓ^{DD} (red), $C_\ell^{lensing}$ (magenta).

The transversal correlation function



(from
Montanari & RD '12)

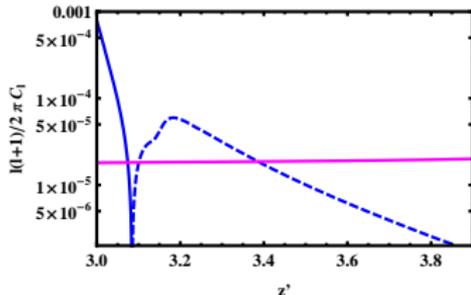
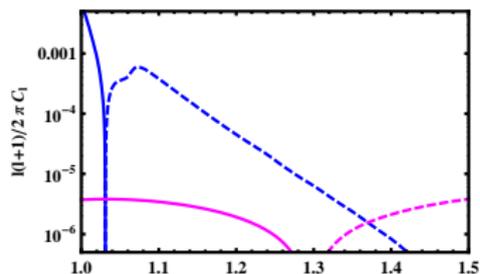
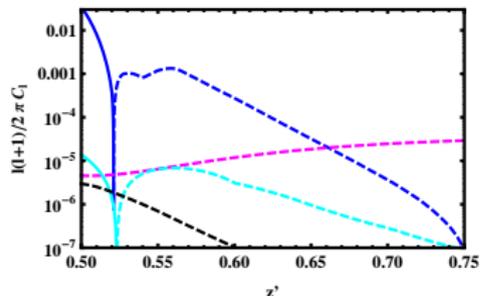
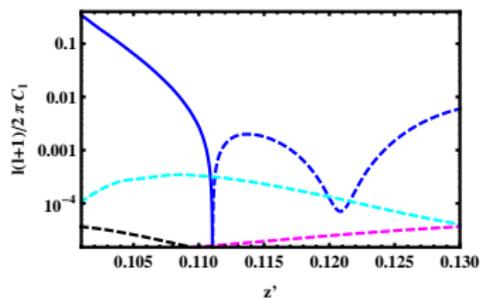
$\theta^2 \xi(\theta, z, z)$

blue C_ℓ^{DD} (real space),

green flat space approximation for redshift space distortions,

red C_ℓ^{DD} , C_ℓ^{ZZ} and $2C_\ell^{Dz}$ (fully positive!).

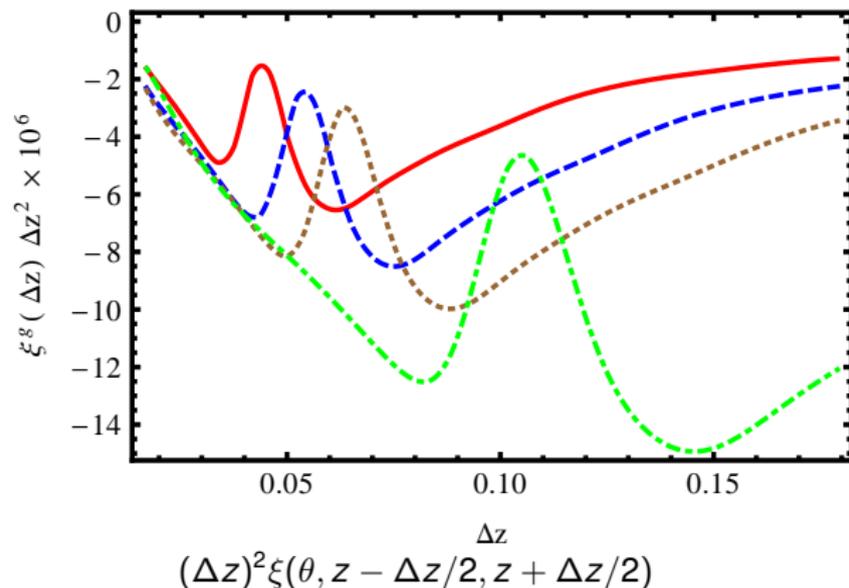
The radial power spectrum



The radial power spectrum $C_\ell(z, z')$
for $\ell = 20$
Left, top to bottom: $z = 0.1, 0.5, 1$,
top right: $z = 3$

Standard terms (blue), $C_\ell^{lensing}$ (magenta),
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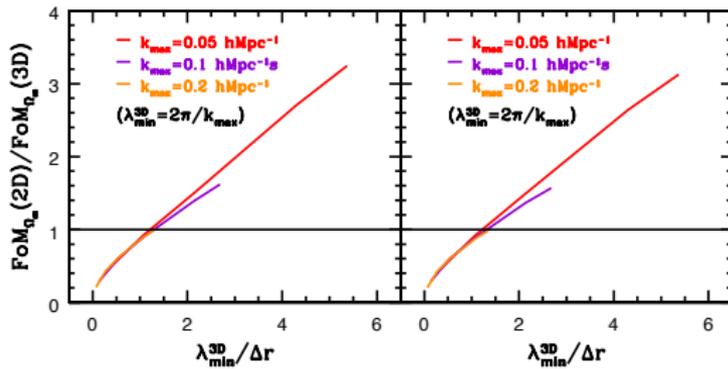
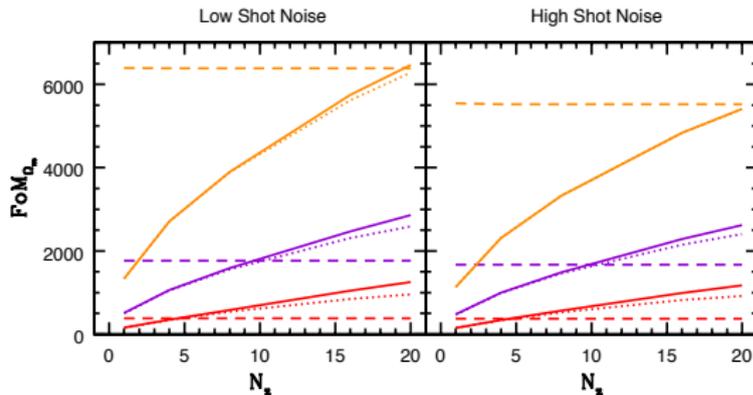
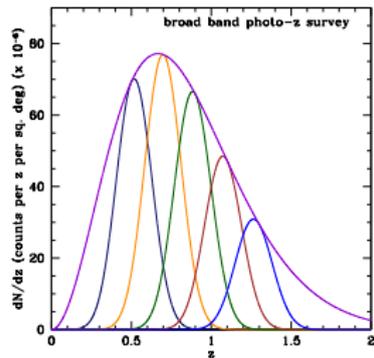
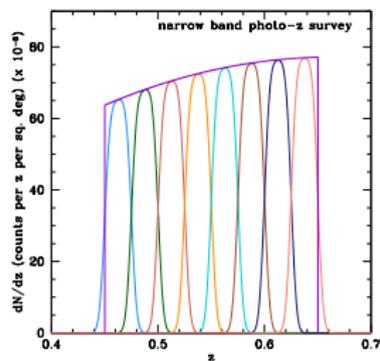


Purely negative for $\Delta z \gtrsim 0.01$.

(from
Montanari & RD '12)

$z = 2,$
 $z = 1,$
 $z = 0.7,$
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Cosmological parameters from the angle redshift correlation function



(From Asorey et al. 2012)

Example: Alcock-Paczyński test

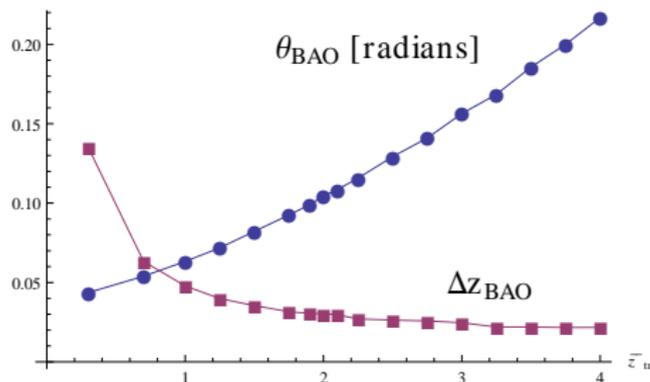
(Alcock & Paczyński '79)

Consider a comoving scale L in the sky.

Horizontally it is projected to the angle $\theta_L = \frac{L}{(1+z)D_A(z)}$.

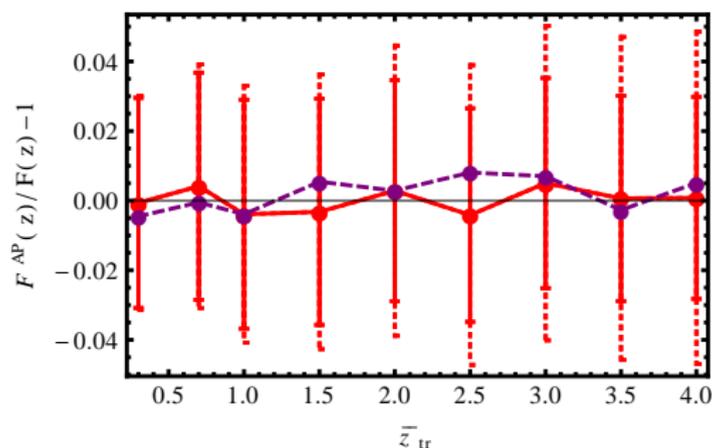
Radially its ends are at a slightly different redshifts, $\Delta z_L = LH(z)$.

$$\frac{\Delta z_L}{\theta_L} = (1+z)D_A(z)H(z) = F(z) \equiv \int_0^z \frac{H(z)}{H(z')} dz'$$



Example: Alcock-Paczyński test

$F(z)^{AP} \equiv \Delta z_L / \theta_L$ measured from the theoretical power spectrum (with Euclid-like redshift accuracies) $F(z) \equiv \int_0^z \frac{H(z)}{H(z')} dz'$.



solid errors:
angular resolution 0.02°
dashed errors:
angular resolution 0.05°
violet: linear $P(k)$

(from [Montanari & RD '12](#))

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