

The large structure of the universe: Galaxy Redshift Surveys

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Cosmology from galaxy surveys





Galaxy surveys

Messier 33 NGC 604 SDSS angular galaxy survey







Southern Galactic Cap

Northern Galactic Cap



Spectra gives recession velocities





Galaxy redshift survey "history"



Fractional error in the amplitude of the fluctuation spectrum

1970	x100
1990	x2
1995	± 0.4
1998	±0.2
1999	±0.1
2002	± 0.05
2003	± 0.03
2009	±0.01
2012	± 0.002

Driven by the development of instrumentation

Publication year

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The BOSS galaxy survey

- Survey now complete, with data taken over 5 years (2009-2014)
- Redshifts for 1,145,874 galaxies
- Data Release 12 galaxy catalogues now available: http://data.sdss3.org/sas/dr12/boss/lss/







- Two galaxy samples targeted: LOWZ and CMASS
- Colour cuts to select old, massive galaxies for easy redshift measurement and high bias
- Based on locus of passive galaxies
- CMASS broader (in colour) than LOWZ with a cut $d_{\perp} = (r_{mod} i_{mod}) (g_{mod} r_{mod})/8 > 0.55$ to select to an approximate stellar mass limit





Reid et al. 2015, arXiv:1509.06529



The Sloan Digital Sky Survey telesco







BOSS DR9 galaxies

DR9





BOSS DR10 galaxies





+30°

+20°

+10°

 0°

-10°

Dec (degrees)

BOSS DR11 galaxies







BOSS DR12 galaxies



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The galaxy sample





Clustering



What does "clustering" mean?









"probability of seeing structure", can be recast in terms of the overdensity

$$\delta = \frac{\rho - \rho_0}{\rho_0}$$

The correlation function is simply the real-space 2-pt statistic of the field

$$\xi(r) = \langle \delta(\mathbf{x})\delta(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{r}) \rangle$$

Its Fourier analogue, the power spectrum is defined by

 $P(k) = \langle \delta(\mathbf{k}) \delta(\mathbf{k}) \rangle$

By analogy, one should think of "throwing down" Fourier modes rather than "sticks"



Real-space correlation function





Power spectrum





Statistically complete knowledge?

Gaussian random field: knowledge of either the correlation function or power spectrum is sufficient – they are statistically complete ... but ...





Intrinsic clustering - Baryon Acoustic Oscillations

Comparison of CMB and LSS power spectra





Configuration space description



 $\Omega_{\rm m}h^2 = 0.147, \Omega_{\rm b}h^2 = 0.024$

position-space description: Bashinsky & Bertschinger astro-ph/0012153 & astro-ph/02022153



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Real-space correlation function





Baryon Acoustic Oscillations (BAO)



(images from Martin White)

To first approximation, BAO wavelength is determined by the comoving sound horizon at recombination

$$k_{
m bao} = 2\pi/s \ s = rac{1}{H_0\Omega_m^{1/2}} \int_0^{a_*} da rac{c_s}{(a+a_{
m eq})^{1/2}}$$

comoving sound horizon ~110h⁻¹Mpc, BAO wavelength 0.06hMpc⁻¹



CG Acoustic Oscillations in the matter distribution



Dodelson "modern cosmology"



descriptions describe the same physics





The relative velocity effect



Plot from Beutler, Seljak & Vlah 2017; arXiv:1612.04720



Galaxy clustering as a standard ruler



The evolution of the scale factor

If we observed the comoving power spectrum directly, we would not constrain evolution

However, we measure galaxy redshifts and angles and infer distances

$$d_{\rm comov}(a) = \int_{t(a)}^{t_0} \frac{c \, dt'}{a(t')} = \int_a^1 \frac{c \, da'}{a'^2 H(a')}$$




line-of-sight dependent clustering

Across the line of sight, positions come from angles Along the line of sight, positions come from redshifts





Moments of the clustering signal





$$P_F(k) = \int_0^1 d\mu F(\mu) P(k,\mu)$$
$$\xi_F(r) = \int_0^1 d\mu F(\mu) \xi(r,\mu)$$

Monopole Quadrupole Hexadecapole F(µ

 $\begin{array}{c} F(\mu){=}1,\\ F(\mu){=}\frac{1}{2}(3\mu^2{-}1),\\ F(\mu){=}\frac{1}{8}(35\mu^4{-}30\mu^2{+}3)\end{array}$





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$$\xi_F(r) = \int_0^1 d\mu F(\mu) \xi(r, \mu)$$

Nonopole F(\mu)=1,

Monopole Quadrupole Hexadecapole



Ross et al. 2016, arXiv:1607.03145



The power spectrum as a standard ruler





Surveys measure angles and redshifts, and to estimate comoving clustering, we have to use a fiducial model (denoted "fid") to translate to comoving coordinates (assuming distance-redshift relation only due to Hubble expansion) Changes in apparent BAO position (Δd_{comov}) depend on:

Radial direction

$$\alpha_{\parallel} = \frac{H(z)_{\rm fid}}{H(z)_{\rm true}}$$

Angular direction

$$\alpha_{\perp} = \frac{D_A(z)_{\rm true}}{D_A(z)_{\rm fid}}$$

(i.e. these terms anisotropically stretch clustering - the relative effect known as **Alcock-Paczynski Effect**)

We see from geometrical arguments that a set of random pairs constrains

$$D_V = \left[(1+z)^2 D_A^2(z) \frac{cz}{H(z)} \right]^{1/3}$$



Can we use the AP effect on small scales?

use isolated galaxy pairs

Marinoni & Buzzi 2011

- Nature 468, 539 Jennings et al. 2012
- MNRAS 420, 1079



use voids

Lavaux & Wandelt 2011

• arXiv:1110.0345





Live in static region of space-time

Velocity from growth exactly cancels Hubble expansion

Two static galaxies in same structure have same observed redshift irrespective of distance from us

Redshift difference only tells us properties of system

Two collapsed similar regions observed in different background cosmologies give same Δz

No cosmological information from Δz

Cannot be used for AP tests



Belloso et al. 2012: arXiv:1204.5761



Average galaxy pairwise velocity



From Belloso et al. 2012: arXiv:1204.5761



Measuring anisotropic clustering: The correlation function



The correlation function wrt LOS

DD = number of galaxy-galaxy pairs DR = number of galaxy-random pairs RR = number of random-random pairs

All calculated as a function of separation **and** direction to LOS

$$\xi = \frac{DD}{RR} - 1$$

$$\xi = \frac{DD}{DR} - 1$$

$$\xi = \frac{DDRR}{DR^2} - 1$$

$$\xi = \frac{DDRR}{DR^2} + 1$$



Landy & Szalay (1993) considered noise from these estimators, and showed that this has the best noise properties



The LOS varies across a survey





Different assumptions made





Different assumptions made



Angular upweighting for 3D measurements

Spectroscopic surveys are never 100% complete

With early data, one often has radial information for only a fraction of galaxies

BUT, you have angular information for the full (target) sample

Why not use it ...

 $1 + \xi(r, \theta) = (1 + \xi(r|\theta))(1 + w(\theta))$



Percival & Bianchi 2017; arXiv:1703.02071

Angular upweighting for 3D measurements

Simple idea:

replace $(1+w(\theta))$ with that calculated from the parent sample

Practically: take 3D clustering and weight by $(1+w(\theta))_{parent} / (1+w(\theta))_{sample}$

Formally unbiased, and gives more accuracy





Measuring anisotropic clustering: The power spectrum

CG The power spectrum wrt LOS



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Measuring the anisotropic power spectrum



advantage: radial/angular split – more matched to survey geometry, easily model redshift space distortions

e.g. Heavens & Taylor 1995; MNRAS, 275, 483

advantage: simplicity, speed



Measuring power as a sum over pairs

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• Define the overdensity field

$$N(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{n_g(\mathbf{r}) - \bar{n}(\mathbf{r})}{\bar{n}(\mathbf{r})} \qquad \qquad P_F(k) = \int_0^1 d\mu F(\mu) P(k,\mu)$$

• Power spectrum moments can be written as a integral over pairs

$$\hat{P}_F(k) \propto \int d\Omega_k \left[\int d\mathbf{r}_1 \int d\mathbf{r}_2 \, N(\mathbf{r}_1) N(\mathbf{r}_2) e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2)} F(\hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{\text{pair}}) \right]$$

• The clever part is defining the LOS to the pair as LOS to one galaxy

$$\hat{P}_F(k) \propto \int d\Omega_k \left[\int d\mathbf{r}_1 \, N(\mathbf{r}_1) e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}_1} \int d\mathbf{r}_2 \, N(\mathbf{r}_2) e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}_2} F(\hat{\mathbf{k}}\cdot\hat{\mathbf{r}}_2) \right]$$



• For power-law $F(\mu)=\mu^n$, the "unit" to be solved is

$$A_n(\mathbf{k}) = \int d\mathbf{r} \left(\hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}\right)^n N(\mathbf{r}) e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} \qquad P_F(k) = \int_0^1 d\mu F(\mu) P(k,\mu)$$

- We can expand the dot product on a Cartesian basis $\mu \equiv \hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} = \frac{k_x r_x + k_y r_y + k_z r_z}{kr}$
- So that (for example) A_2 is decomposed (similarly for n>2) $A_2(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{k^2} \left\{ k_x^2 B_{xx}(\mathbf{k}) + k_y^2 B_{yy}(\mathbf{k}) + k_z^2 B_{zz}(\mathbf{k}) + 2 \left[k_x k_y B_{xy}(\mathbf{k}) + k_x k_z B_{xz}(\mathbf{k}) + k_y k_z B_{yz}(\mathbf{k}) \right] \right\}$
- Where B_{ij} can be solved with FFTs $B_{ij}(\mathbf{k}) \equiv \int d\mathbf{r} \frac{r_i r_j}{r^2} N(\mathbf{r}) e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}}$

Bianci et al. 2015; arXiv:1505.05341; Scoccimarro; arXiv:1506.02729



Moving beyond the linear ...

reconstruction of BAO



BAO damping in the correlation function



RegPT; Taruya A., Bernardeau F., Nishimichi T., Codis S., 2012, PRD 86, 10



Non-linear movement on BAO scales



$$P_{\text{damp}}(k,\sigma) = P_{\text{lin}}(k)e^{\frac{-k^2\sigma^2}{2}} + P_{\text{nw}}(k)\left(1 - e^{\frac{-k^2\sigma^2}{2}}\right)$$

Padmanabhan et al. 2012; arXiv:1202.0090



A simple reconstruction algorithm

Algorithm: Smooth field and move overdensities by predicted (linear) motion

Smoothed field dominated by large-scale flows - so predicted linear motion is "not too bad"

If you get it wrong, you just affect the efficiency of reconstruction, not the measurement

See Padmanabhan et al. (2008; arXiv:0812.2905) for a perturbation theory derivation

Method now well tested: Burden et al. 2014 *MNRAS*, 445, 3152; 2015 arXiv:1504.2591, Vargas-Magana et al. 2015 arXiv:1509.06384



Eisenstein et al. 2006: arXiv:0604362



Reconstruction: dealing with RSD

Problem for reconstruction is RSD and dealing with varying line-of-sight across a survey: displacements Ψ are (in linear theory) related to overdensities by Poisson Eq + RSD

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{\Psi} + \frac{f}{b} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{\Psi} \cdot \mathbf{\hat{r}}) \mathbf{\hat{r}} = \frac{-\delta}{b}$$

The RSD term limits fast calculation of the expected displacements as it is not irrotational, and depends on a varying line-of-sight

Introduce a new iterative method, allowing use of FFTs, but iterative procedures are a concern for a pipeline ...



Burden et al. 2014; arXiv:1408.1348, Burden et al. 2015; arXiv: 1504.02591



Reconstruction on SDSS-III mocks





The improvement from reconstruction



Anderson et al. 2013; arXiv:1312.4877

CCG Other reconstruction methods / devlopments

- Gaussianisation
 - Weinberg 1992, MNRAS, 254, 315
- Path interchange Zeldovich approximation (PIZA)
 - Croft & Gazťanaga 1997, MNRAS, 285, 793
- Incompressible fluid assumption
 - Mohayaee & Sobolevskii 2007, Physica D 237, 2145
- Improvement on "simple" scheme using optimized filters
 - Tassev & Zaldarriaga 2012, JCAP, 10, 6
- MCMC fit to observed data
 - Wang et al. 2013, ApJ, 772, 63
- Full Bayesian reconstruction of initial fluctuations
 - Jasche & Wandelt 2013, MNRAS 432, 894
- Isobaric reconstruction
 - Wang et al. 2017, arXiv:1703.09742
- Iterative reconstruction (repeated standard with different smoothing)
 - Schmittfull, Baldauf & Zaldarriaga, 2017, arXiv:1704.06634



BAO results from BOSS



BOSS DR12 clustering measurements





BOSS DR12 BAO measurements





Redshift-space distortions



Locally, galaxies act as test particles in the flow of matter

On large-scales, the distribution of galaxy velocities is unbiased if galaxies fully sample the velocity field

expect a small peak velocity-bias due to the statistical distribution of peak motions (in Gaussian random fields) differing from that of the mass

Linear theory:

$$P_u(k) = (aHf)^2 P(k)k^{-2}$$



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When making a 3D map of the Universe the radial distance is usually obtained from a redshift assuming Hubble's law; this differs from the real-space because of its peculiar velocity:

$$\vec{s}(r) = \vec{r} - v_r(r)\frac{\vec{r}}{r}$$

Where **s** and **r** are positions in redshift- and real-space and v_r is the peculiar velocity in the radial direction



Two key regimes of interest





Transition from real to redshift space, with peculiar velocity v in units of the Hubble flow

$$\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{r} + v_{\rm los} \mathbf{\hat{r}}_{\rm los}$$

Jacobian for transformation

$$\mu = \cos(\alpha)$$
$$\theta = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}$$

$$\frac{d^3s}{d^3r} = \left(1 + \frac{v_{\rm los}}{r_{\rm los}}\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{dv_{\rm los}}{dr_{\rm los}}\right)$$

Conservation of galaxy number

$$n^{r}(\mathbf{r})d^{3}r = n^{s}(\mathbf{s})d^{3}s \qquad 1 + \delta_{g}^{s} = (1 + \delta_{g}^{r})\frac{d^{3}r}{d^{3}s}\frac{\bar{n}^{r}(\mathbf{r})}{\bar{n}^{s}(\mathbf{s})}$$

Trick to understand velocity field derivative

$$\frac{\partial v_{\rm los}}{\partial r_{\rm los}} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r_{\rm los}}\right)^2 \nabla^{-2} \theta = \left(\frac{k_{\rm los}}{k}\right)^2 \theta = \mu^2 \theta, \ \theta = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}$$

Gives to first order

 $\delta_g^s = \delta_g^r - \mu^2 \theta$

Kaiser 1987, MNRAS, 227, 1


CG what do linear z-space distortions measure?



Kaiser 1987, MNRAS, 227, 1



- Real-Redshift space mapping
 - Kaiser formula first order in δ and θ
 - on small scales, we need 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} order (δ , θ cross) terms
 - assumes irrotational velocity field
- Non-linear density field evolution
 - P_{gg} breaks from linear behaviour (small scale, late time)
- Non-linear velocity field evolution
 - $-P_{\theta\theta}$ breaks from linear behaviour (small scale, late time)
 - Fingers-of-God
- Plane-parallel approximation breaks down for galaxy pairs with wide angular separation
- Assumes local, deterministic density bias



Include model for linear and FOG damping

$$P_{g}^{s}(k,\mu) = \left[P_{gg}(k) + 2\mu^{2} P_{g\theta}(k) + \mu^{4} P_{\theta\theta}(k) \right] F(k,\mu^{2})$$

If we assume linear bias

$$P_g^s(k,\mu) = P_m^r(k) \left[b^2 + 2\mu^2 f b + \mu^4 f^2 \right] F(k,\mu^2)$$

On small scales, galaxies lose all knowledge of initial position. If pairwise velocity dispersion has an exponential distribution (superposition of Gaussians), then we get this damping term for the power spectrum.

$$F(k,\mu^2) = (1 + k^2 \mu^2 \sigma_p^2 / 2)^{-1}$$





Alternative for the data is to try to "correct" the data by "collapsing the clusters"

- Velocity dispersion of the Luminous Red Galaxies (LRGs) shifts them along the line of sight by ~ 9 h⁻¹Mpc, and the distribution of intra-halo velocities has long tails.
- Use an asymmetric "friends-of-friends" (FOF) finder to match galaxies in the same clusters, and collapse to spherical profile
- Parameters of FOF calculated by matching simulations





Another way of thinking about RSD is to work with the correlation function using the streaming model

$$1 + \xi_S(s_{\perp}, s_{\parallel}) = \int dr_{\parallel} \ [1 + \xi_R(r)] P(r_{\parallel} - s_{\parallel} | \mathbf{r})$$

Modeling RSD is now the same as modeling P, which has previously been modeled with:

- A Gaussian
 - Reid & White 2011, MNRAS 417, 1913
- An Edgeworth streaming model
 - Uhlemann, Kopp & Haugg 2015, PRD 82, 063522)
- A Gaussian distributed set of Gaussians
 - Bianchi, et al. 2015, MNRAS 446, 75
- A skewed distribution of Gaussians
 - Bianchi et al. 2016, MNRAS 463, 3783



RSD versus AP effects



Varying D_AH by 10%, while keeping peak position in monopole fixed

Linear RSD shift is scale-independent for both

- AP moves ξ(r) in scale (left-right).
- Movement of BAO "bump" is clear.
- Shape of $\xi(r)$ close to power law, so AP is very similar to amplitude shift (as RSD).
- Allows measurements of F & fo₈ to be separated

Reid et al. 2012; arXiv:1203.6641



RSD measurements from **BOSS**



BOSS DR12 RSD measurements



Alam et al. 2016, arXiv:1607.03155



Ongoing survey: eBOSS



- extended Baryon Oscillation Spectroscopic Survey (eBOSS)
- Ongoing cosmological galaxy survey within SDSS
- Use the Sloan telescope and MOS to observe to higher redshift than BOSS
- Basic parameters (cmpr BOSS 10,000deg², 1.1M galaxies)
 - $\Omega = 1,500 \text{deg}^2 5,300 \text{deg}^2$
 - 300k 0.6<z<0.9 LRGs (direct BAO, RSD)
 - 200k 0.8<z<1.0 ELGs (direct BAO, RSD)
 - 600k 0.9<z<2.2 QSOs (direct BAO, RSD)
 - 60k QSOs (BAO, RSD from Ly-α forest)
- Survey started 2014, lasting 6 years





Dawson et al. 2015; arXiv:1508.04473, Zhao et al. 2015; arXiv:1510.08216



eBOSS footprint

QSO DR14 (data set currently being analysed by the team)



~2,000deg² split in the NGC and SGC regions (final area will be \sim 5,300deg²)

Projected ELG map (being observed over the next 2 years)



~620 deg² over the Fat Stripe 82 in the SGC, covered by DES observations; (317 < ra < 360 and -2 < dec < 2) or (0 < ra < 45 and -5 < dec < 5);

~600 deg² over the NGC, covered by DECaLS observations; (126<ra<169 and 14<dec<29)



eBOSS BAO predictions





eBOSS RSD predictions



 $f\sigma_8$ statistical precisions on galaxy and QSO

- LRG: 2.6%
- ELG: 3.8%
- QSO: 3.2%

Challenge: Theoretical modeling to k_{max}=0.2hMpc⁻¹

Dawson et al. 2015; arXiv:1508.04473, Zhao et al. 2015; arXiv:1510.08216



eBOSS DR14: 147,000 quasars





eBOSS DR14: 147,000 quasars



Ata et al. 2017; arXiv:1705.06373



Future surveys: DESI & Euclid

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- Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI)
- New fibre-fed MOS for Mayall
- passed DOE CD-3, on course for 2019 start
- DESI will observe:
 - Ω =14,000deg²
 - ~20,000,000 high redshift galaxies (direct BAO)
 - ~10,000,000 low redshift (z<0.5) galaxies
 - ~600,000 quasars (BAO from Ly- α forest)
 - Cosmic variance limited to $z \sim 1.4$
- Also WEAVE (WHT, 2018 start) and 4MOST (VISTA, 2021 start) but fewer fibers, so less optimized for cosmological applications















DESI - latest updates



2017 is a critical year for hardware manufacture





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DESI observations



Burden et al. 2016; arXiv:1611.04635



Spectroscopic surveys are always < 100% complete

Missed galaxies are often correlated – either intrinsically (e.g. regions of low S/N), or with the density field (e.g. cannot observe all galaxies in a dense region)

This affects the measured clustering

Bianchi & Percival (2017) Proposed a new correction statistically matching missed pairs (whose radial separation is unknown) with those observed

This has to be done for every pair: 10^6 galaxies -> 10^{12} pairs!





A practical implementation

Link between observed and non-observed pairs based on selection probability:

- different random choices for observations
- different spatial positions of observations

To find the selection probabilities, need to rerun simulation of observing strategy ${\sim}1000 \text{ times}$

Potentially computationally challenging (storing probabilities), but introduce a new Monte-Carlo scheme based on bitwise weights stored per galaxy, so that pairwise weights can be determined "on the fly"





DESI: Fiber assignment



Bianchi & Percival, in prep



Euclid

M2 mission in ESA cosmic visions program due to launch late 2020

Wide survey:

- 15,000deg²
- 4 passes over sky
- NIR Photometry
 - Y, J, H
 - 24mag, 5σ point source
- NIR slitless spectroscopy
 - red: 1.25-1.85μm (0.9<z<1.8 Hα)
 - 2×10^{-16} erg cm⁻²s⁻¹ 3.5 σ line flux
 - 3 dispersion directions
 - 1 broad waveband 0.9<z<1.8
 - ~25M galaxies
- wide-band visible image for WL

Deep survey:

- 40deg²
- 48 dithers
- 12 passes, as for wide survey
- additional blue spectra: 0.92-1.25µm
- dispersion directions for 12 passes >10deg apart











http://www.euclid-ec.org/



BAO errors from past / future surveys



Reid et al. 2015, arXiv:1509.06529



Observational systematics





Observational systematics





- BOSS DR12 data & measurements publicly now released
 - ξ, P BAO agree with Planck LCDM
 - ξ, P RSD agree with Planck LCDM
- Future projects will push further out in redshift, number of galaxies and volume covered
 - eBOSS already driving developments in techniques
 - Next generation of surveys (DESI, Euclid) will get an order more galaxies
 - DESI+Euclid complimentary redshift ranges
- Although BAO / RSD now a mature field, still lots of development required
 - better calibration, removal of contaminants
 - Faster, better calculations (computational data challenge)
 - including more information: weights, including Bispectrum
 - Better models (perturbation theory, EFT, baryons ...)