Tracking the Flow of Cosmic Information

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Outline

 Using one-point transformations to get information in different density regimes of the dark-matter sheet (response to initial spikes)

 Biasing in this language: MIP simulations: a powerful statistical ensemble to investigate galaxy biasing



Fluctuations ("information"), imprinted on the darkmatter sheet, tell it where to fold and form structures.

Some fluctuations crumple up, some stretch out.

Info lost in collapsed regions

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200 Mpc/h

Rough analogy to origami: initially flat (vanishing bulk velocity) 3D sheet folds in 6D phase space.

recent related work:
Hahn, Abel et al. (2012),
Shandarin et al (2012)

Eric Gjerde, origamitessellations.com

Crease patterns available at http://skysrv.pha.jhu.edu/~neyrinck/origalaxies.html

- Without stretching the sheet, galaxies *cannot* form without filaments attached.

- Called a "twist fold," imparts spin at formation, then accretion w/ impact parameter continues

Relates to simple
 picture of spin alignment
 w/ filament

Based on a design by Eric Gjerde, http://www.origamitessellations.com







(Falck, Neyrinck & Szalay 2012, Neyrinck 2012)

Initial-fluctuation information is corrupted in \geq 3 ways: - Fluctuations printed on regions that have collapsed are lost entirely (fundamental info loss) - Uncollapsed fluctuations (e.g. in sheets and voids) are stretched out (can be modeled) - The usual correlation functions, power spectra are only sensitive to sharp peaks, not to these uncollapsed fluctuations (can be fixed by changing density variables)

(or, forward modelling, e.g. constrained realizations)



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Some transforms that emphasize different regions differently



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Neyrinck & Yang, MNRASL in press, 1305.1629

N-body experiment: the same initial conditions are "rung" at different wavenumbers



Neyrinck & Yang, MNRASL in press, 1305.1629 also see McCullagh, Neyrinck & Szalay 2013

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Different density variables behave differently, sensitive to different density regimes



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Smearing of power to small scales produces substantial covariance in $P_{\delta}(k)$.



Initial power spectrum

Log-mapping: (Neyrinck, Szapudi & Szalay 2009) ~ Gaussianization (Weinberg 1992) Similar cosmic-variance reduction with "clipping" (Simpson et al. 2012, 2013)



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Intrinsic Fisher information greatly enhanced # statistically independent Fourier modes as a function of resolution (MN et al. 2009, 2011)





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Trying to decouple biasing from clustering

- Decouple the statistical information in a field into the one-point and the "reduced" (Gaussianized) N-pt functions

Alternative to HOD that treats voids too:
 I-pt information/transformation -- galaxy/tracer bias.
 Gaussianized N-pt statistics -- clustering.

MIP

Multum In Parvo, many things in a small place (Aragón-Calvo 2012)

Allows a CWOD, "cosmic web occupation distribution" of haloes





Time →

SINGLE REALIZATION

STACKED ENSEMBLE

Gives a halo density field with negligible discreteness, exclusion.



HALOS

Galaxy-halo bias deep into voids

.. - 4 h⁻¹ Mpc cells .. - 2 h⁻¹ Mpc cells



At low mass, bias scatterplot is well-fitted by Press-Schechter with an environment-dependent growth factor

Forming a galaxy in a void is like forming a rare cluster in an overdense region Testing the hypothesis that the halo $\delta_h(\delta_m)$ is a local monotonic function:



Conclusions

 Different transformed densities probe different density regimes -- best statistical properties when sharp peaks are suppressed

 Decoupling I-pt from (N>I)-pt info with Gaussianization is useful

 Averaging over "all possible universes" -- sets of small-scale fluctuations -- gives great statistical power to constrain a CWOD

