

Wide Angle Effects in Galaxy Surveys

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I. INTRODUCTION

Motivation

- recent **advances in observation**
 - larger sky coverage and higher redshift
 - measurements with higher statistical power

Euclid, MS-DESI, SKA, LSST
- recent **advances in theory**
 - general relativistic effect in galaxy clustering

Yoo et al. 2009, Yoo 2010, Bonvin & Durrer 2011, Challinor & Lewis 2011
Jeong, Schmidt, Hirata 2012, Yoo, Hamaus, Seljak, Zaldarriaga 2012
- **motivation:**
 - how accurate is *distant-observer approximation?*
 - *is* wide angle effect degenerate with modified gravity?

**II. FORMALISM:
HOW TO QUANTIFY THE DEVIATIONS?**

Redshift-Space Distortion

- **redshift-space vs real-space distances**

- **distortion in observed redshift** $1 + z = (1 + \bar{z})(1 + \delta z)$

$$s \equiv \int_0^z \frac{dz}{H} = r + \frac{1+z}{H} \delta z \simeq r + \mathcal{V}$$

$$\mathcal{V} \equiv \frac{1+z}{H} V \simeq \frac{1+z}{H} \delta z_{\chi}$$

- **conservation of galaxy number:** $n_z(s) d^3 s = n_r(r) d^3 r$

- **full Kaiser formula:** $\delta_s = \delta_g - \left(\frac{d}{dr} + \frac{\alpha}{r} \right) \mathcal{V}$

- **simple Kaiser formula:** $\delta_s = \delta_g - \frac{d\mathcal{V}}{dr}$

with *distant-observer approximation*

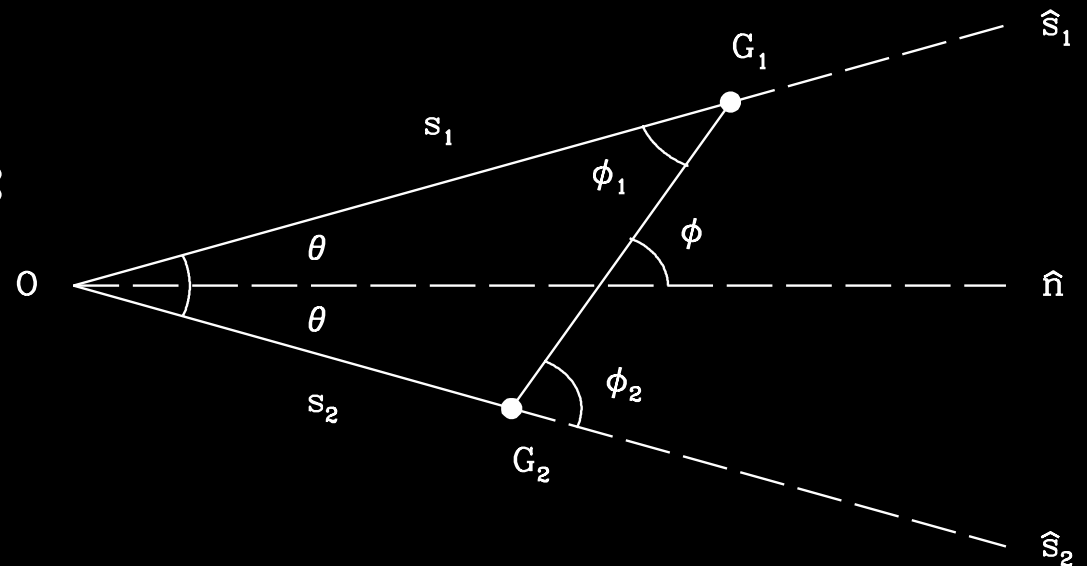
Wide Angle Effect

- What is “*wide angle*” effect?
- deviation from the **distant-observer** approximation

$$\mu_1 = \hat{x}_1 \cdot \hat{k} , \quad \mu_2 = \hat{x}_2 \cdot \hat{k} , \quad \mu = \hat{x} \cdot \hat{k} \quad \text{vs} \quad \hat{x}_1 = \hat{x}_2$$

- galaxies are far away from the observer:
distant-observer approximation

- velocity contribution:
nothing to do with
wide angle effect



Impact on Correlation

- **full** Kaiser formula:

$$\langle \delta_1 \delta_2 \rangle = \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{ik \cdot s} \left(b_1 + f_1 \mu_1^2 - i \mu_1 \frac{\mathcal{R}_1}{k/\mathcal{H}_1} \right) \left(b_2 + f_2 \mu_2^2 + i \mu_2 \frac{\mathcal{R}_2}{k/\mathcal{H}_2} \right) P_m(k)$$

- **full** Kaiser formula with **distant-observer** approx.

$$\langle \delta_1 \delta_2 \rangle = \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{ik \cdot s} \left(b + f \mu^2 - i \mu \frac{\mathcal{R}}{k/\mathcal{H}} \right) \left(b + f \mu^2 + i \mu \frac{\mathcal{R}}{k/\mathcal{H}} \right) P_m(k)$$

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$$\langle \delta_1 \delta_2 \rangle = \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{ik \cdot s} (b + f \mu^2)^2 P_m(k)$$

- **R**: velocity contribution

Szalay, Matsubara, Landy 1998

Szapudi 2004, Papai & Szapudi 2008

Covariance Matrix

- how to quantify the deviation?

- easier in Fourier space:

$$\text{Cov}[P_l^s(k)P_{l'}^s(k')] = \frac{(2l+1)(2l'+1)}{2} \delta_{kk'} \int d\mu_k \mathcal{P}_l(\mu_k)\mathcal{P}_{l'}(\mu_k) \left[P_s(k, \mu_k) + \frac{1}{\bar{n}_g} \right]^2$$

- redshift-space multipoles are *weakly correlated*, but *independent* at each wavenumber

- strategy:

- compute the *full* correlation for each pair
- average over *all triangles*, given (μ, s)
- compare deviation with error bars

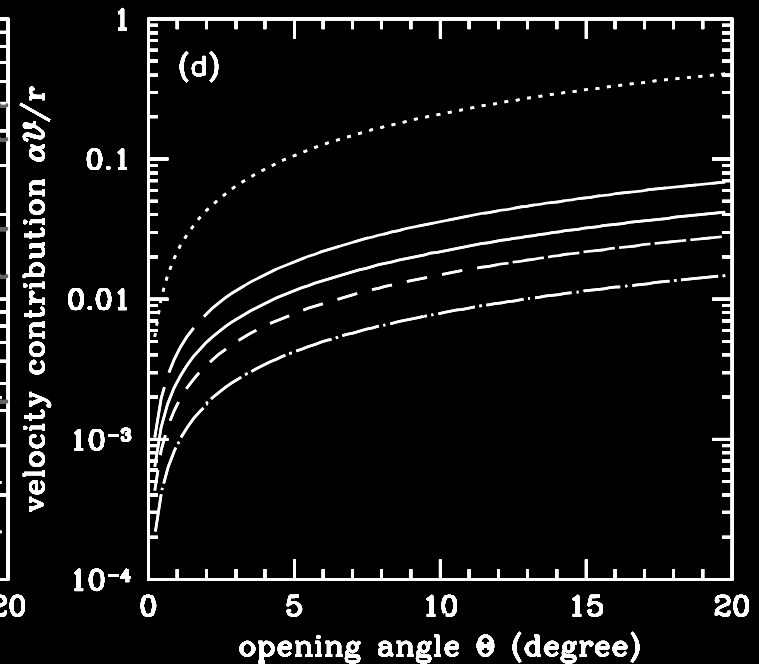
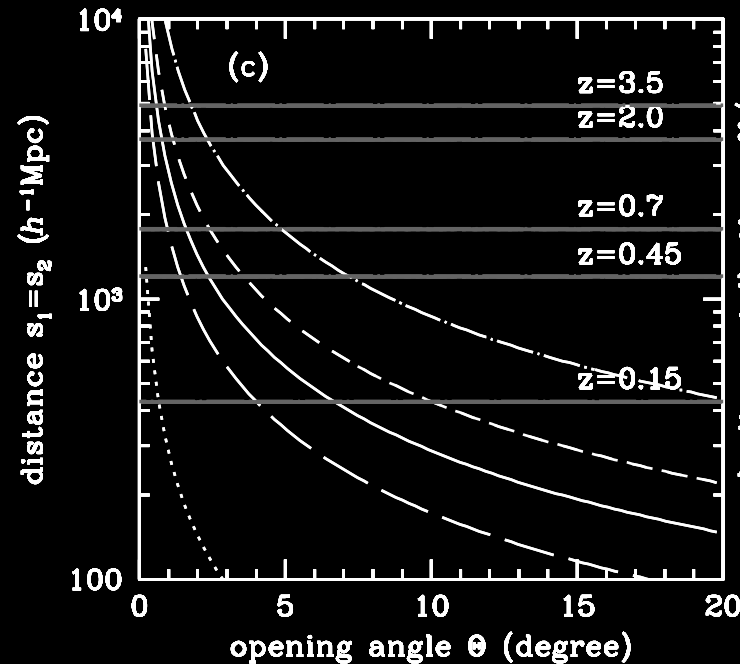
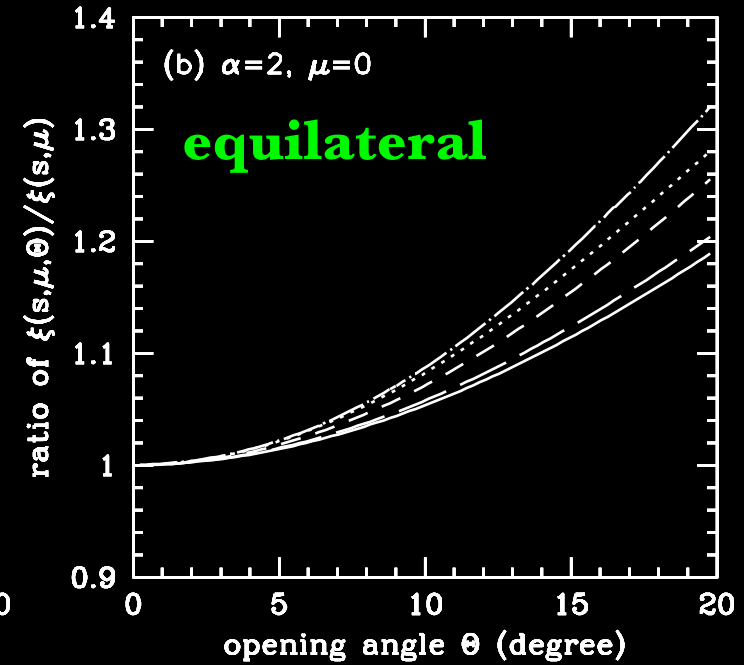
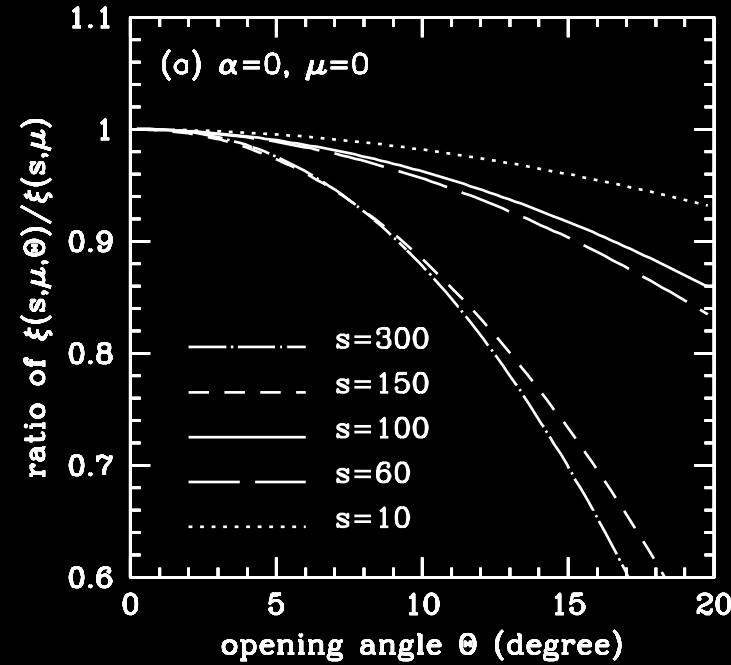
Full Kaiser Formula

- in light of the *general relativistic* formula:
 - *two errors* in wide angle formula
- valid for galaxy sample: *independent* of luminosity
 - *missing correction* for typical samples
- derivative in Jacobian: *missing correction*
 - total derivative along the *past light cone*
 - spatial derivative: usual term
 - time derivative: additional velocity

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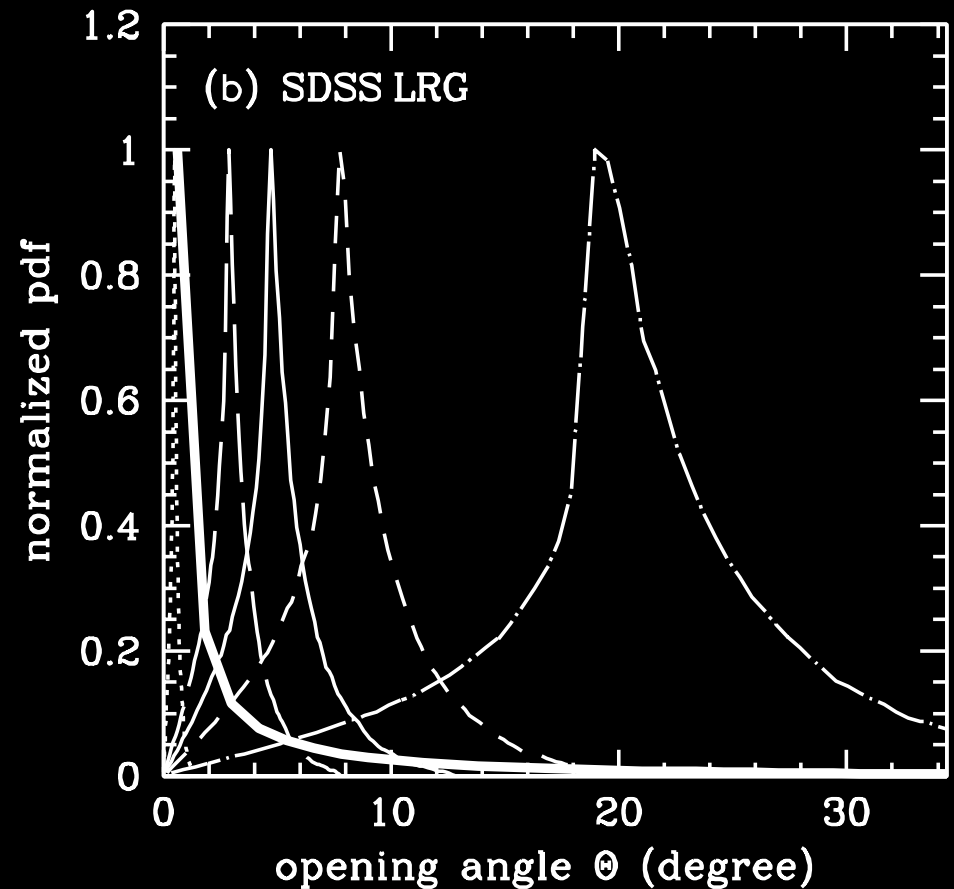
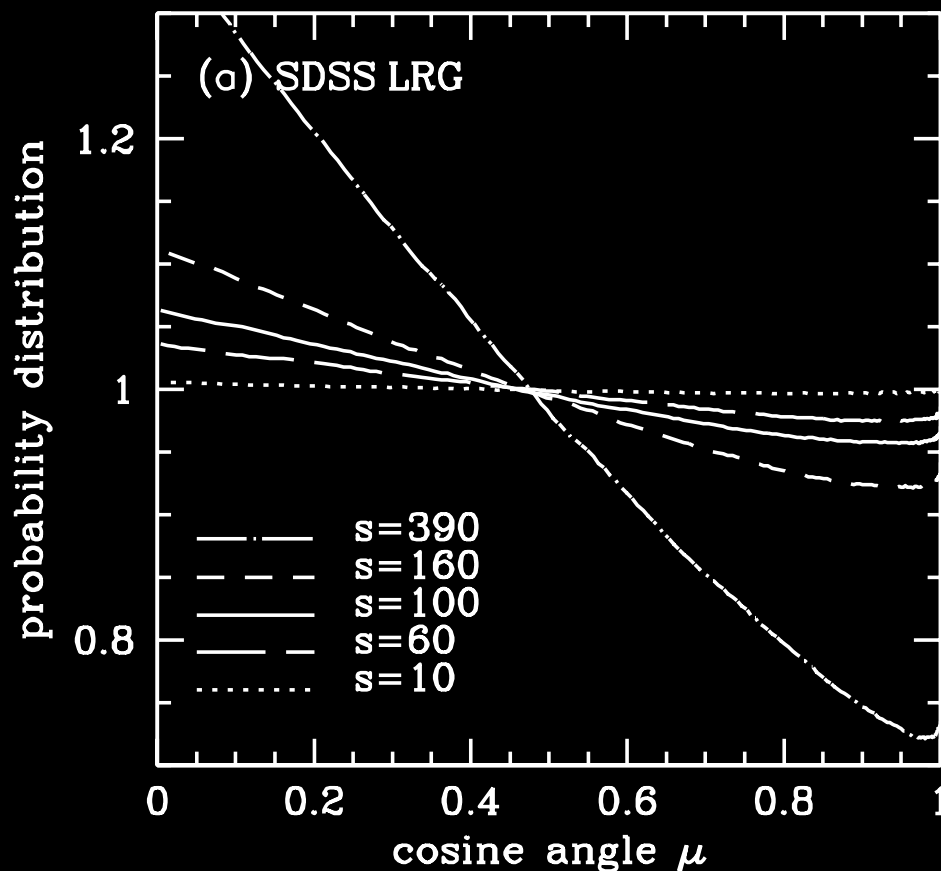
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- **deviation:**
velocity contribution,
“wide angle”
- **velocity contribution**
 $\sim V/r$ due to
volume effect
(r : distance to galaxies)
- **number of pairs is \sim volume**
- **no wide-angle galaxy pairs**



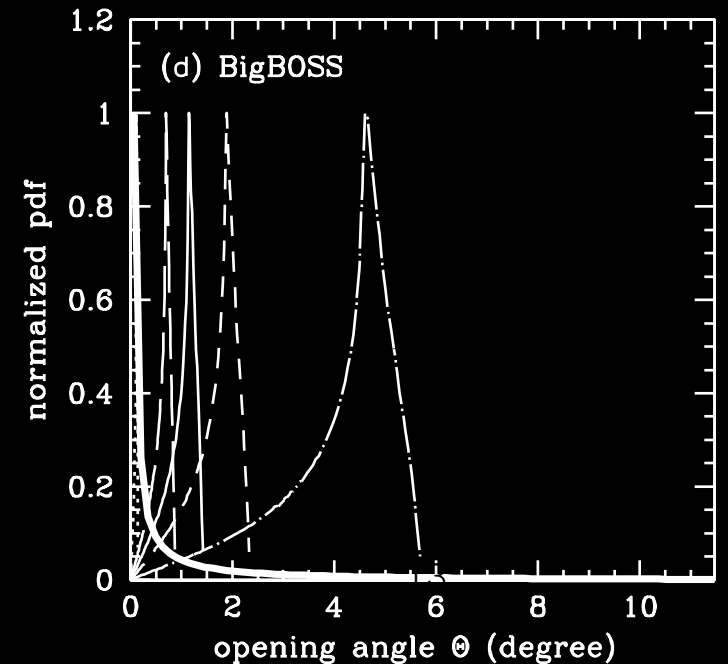
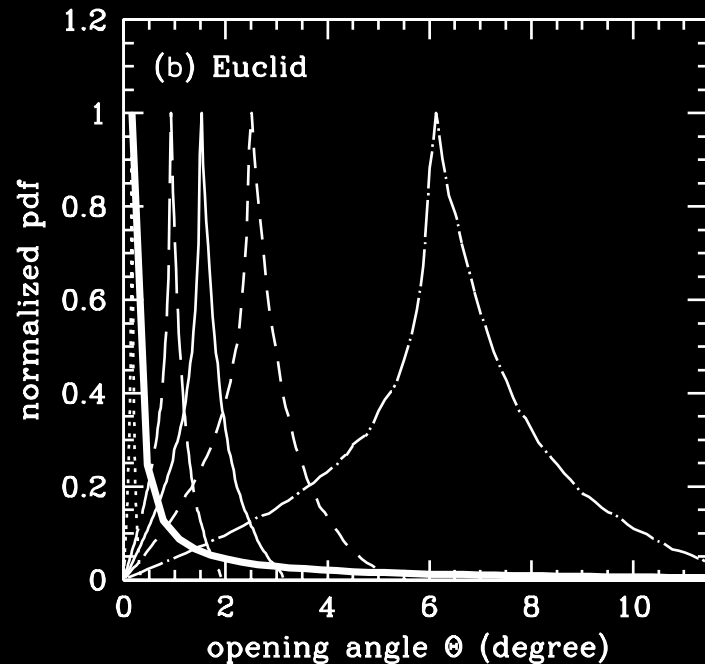
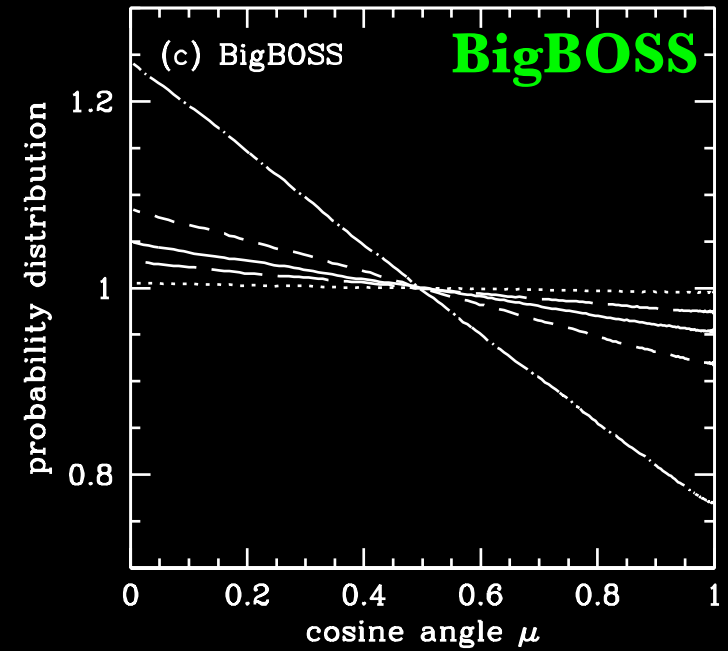
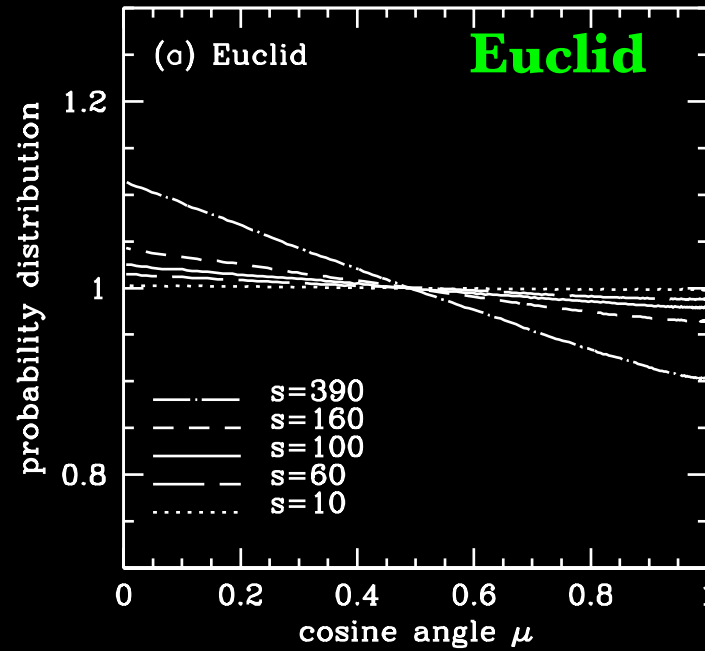
PDF of Triangular Configuration

- simple survey geometry (no hole, no disjoint region)
- typical pairs have *small opening angle!*
- *non-uniform* distribution of μ



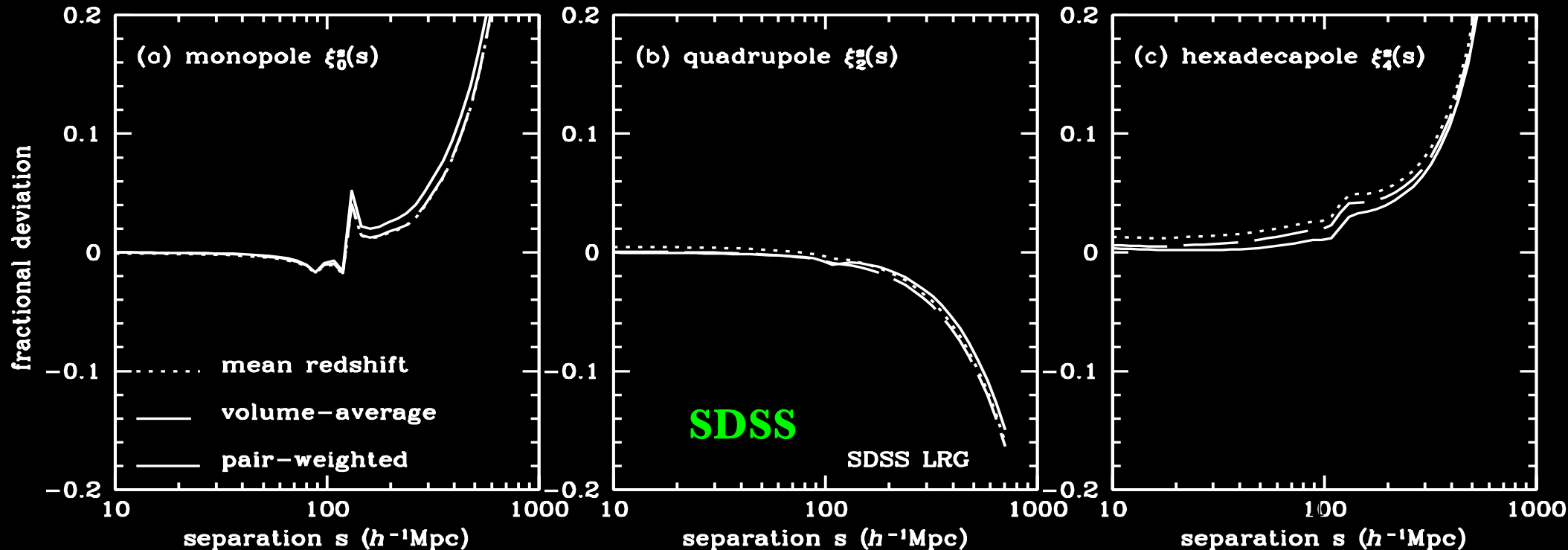
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- **Euclid & BigBOSS**
- **more sky coverage:**
more uniform
cosine distribution
- **factor of few farther away:**
smaller
opening angle



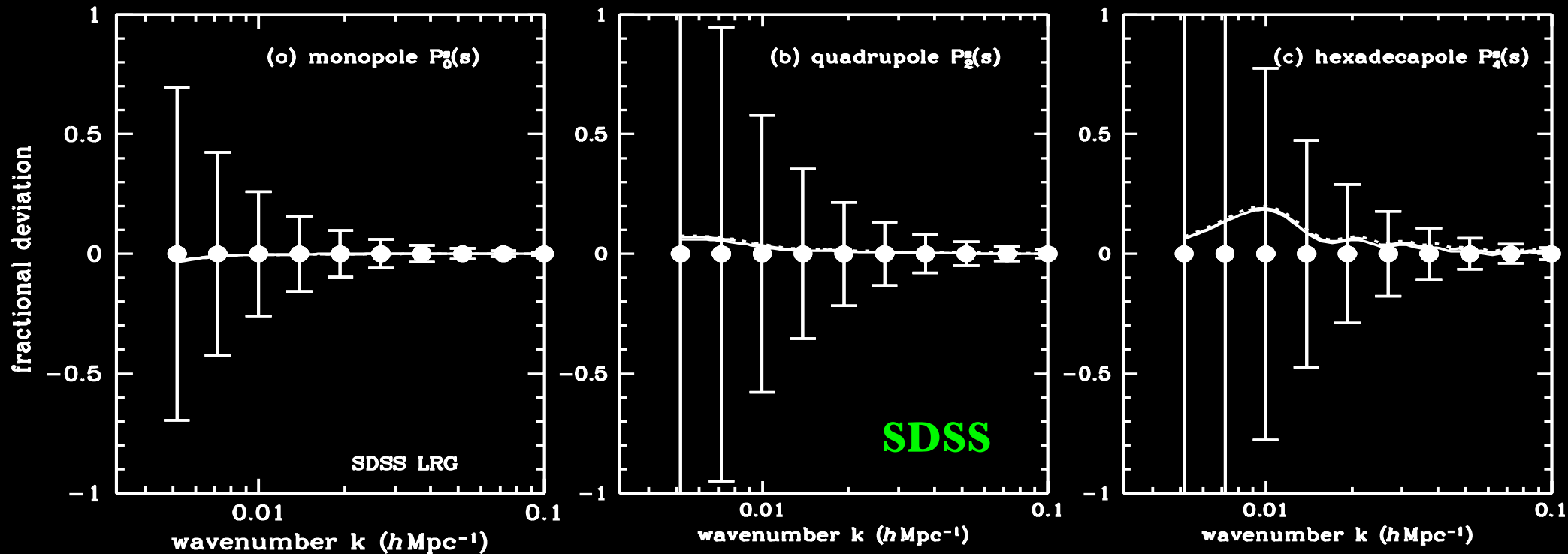
Systematic Errors in Correlation

- deviation of **simple Kaiser formula** with **distant-observer approximation** from the full redshift-space
- *negligible* on small scales
- *large* on large scales, but *difference* is $\Delta\xi \simeq 10^{-5}$

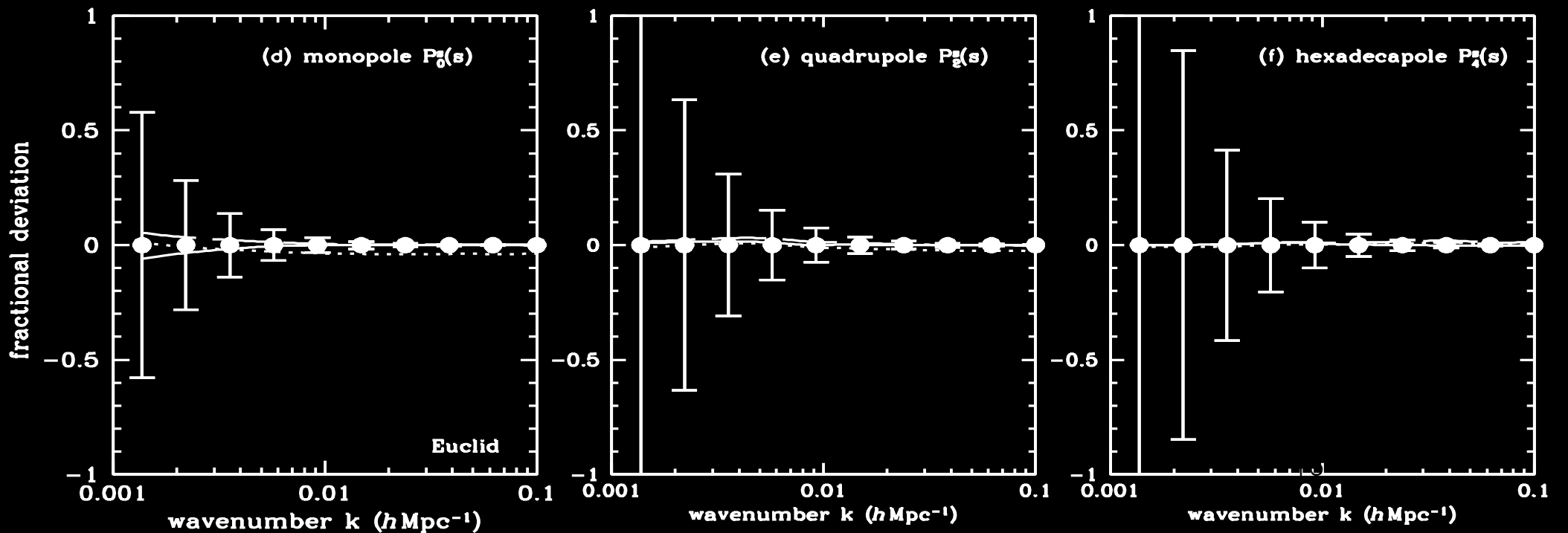
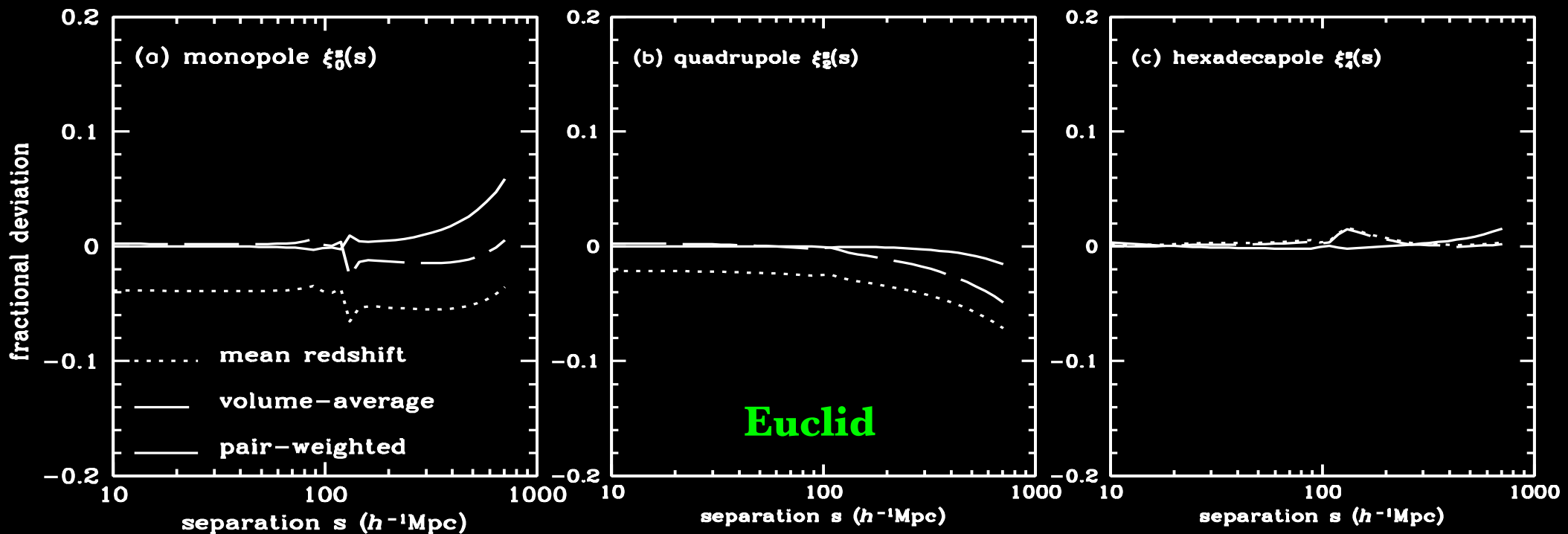


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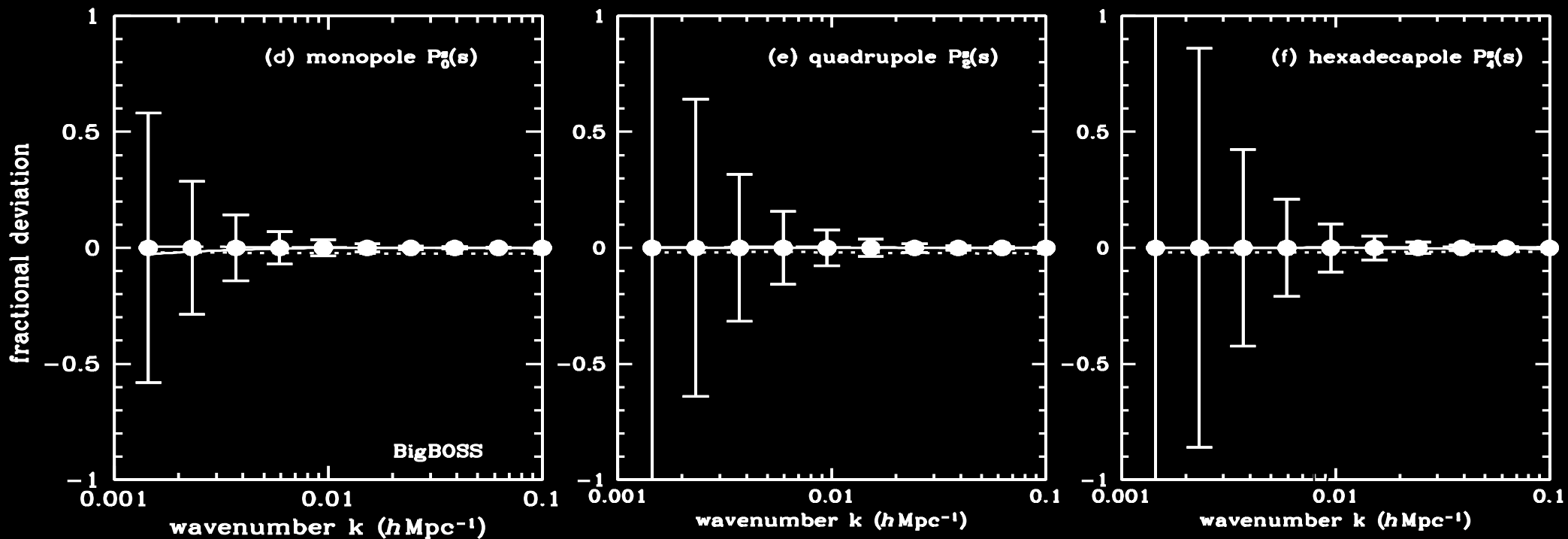
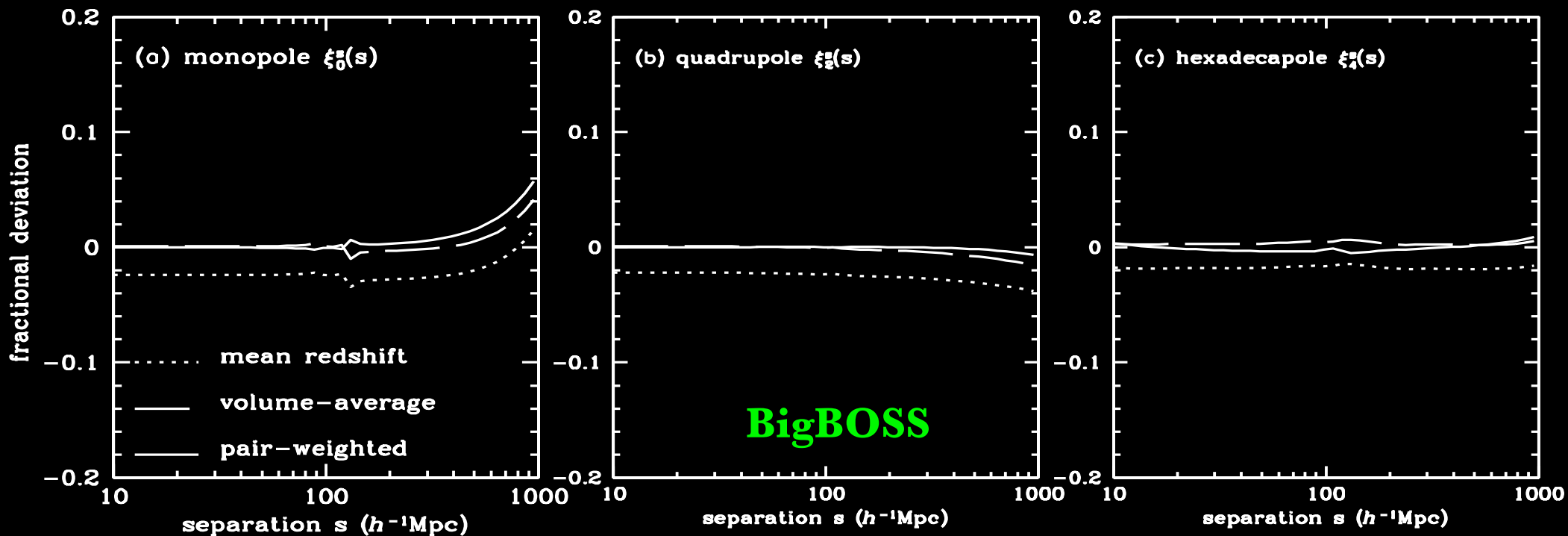
- error bars are in practice **larger** and **correlated**
- systematic errors in the SDSS measurements: *completely negligible!*



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Caveats

- deviation in redshift-space **correlation**: *negligible!*
- power spectrum in **practice**:
 - distant-observer approximation: *accurate!*
 - *differently* measured! not just Fourier Transform
 - *some issues* are present! **not** wide angle effect
 - **traditional FKP**: simple Fourier transformation
Feldman, Kaiser, Peacock 1994, Percival et al. 2001, 2007, 2010
 - **spherical Fourier analysis**: complicated, natural
Heavens & Taylor 1995, Tegmark et al. 2004, 2006

FKP Method

- **traditional FKP method:**

$$\langle P_l^s(k) \rangle = (-i)^l (2l + 1) \int d^3 s_1 \int d \ln s \ s^3 j_l(ks) \\ \times \int d^2 \hat{s} \ \mathcal{P}_l(\hat{z} \cdot \hat{s}) \ \bar{n}_g^w(s_1) \ \bar{n}_g^w(s_2) \ \xi_s(s_1, s_1 - s)$$

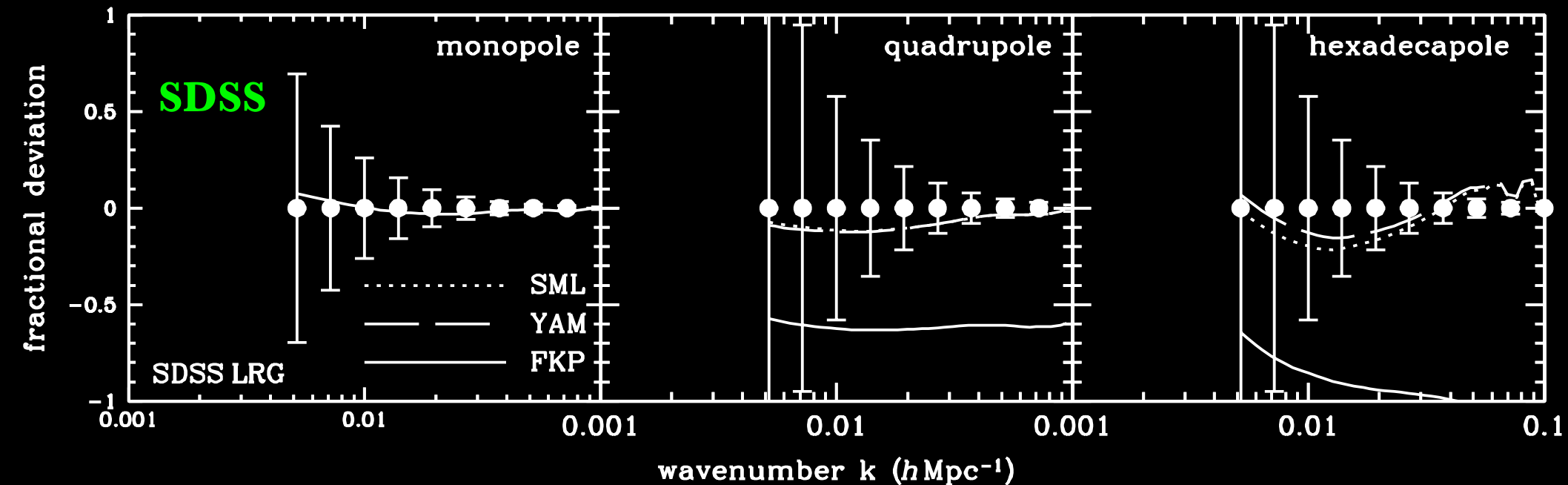
- **window function convolved power spectrum**

- **problems:**

- **line-of-sight direction is *z-direction for all pairs!***
- **non-uniform distribution of μ : *unaccounted!***
- **pair-dependent method:** $\mathcal{P}_l(\hat{z} \cdot \hat{s}) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_l(\hat{n} \cdot \hat{s})$

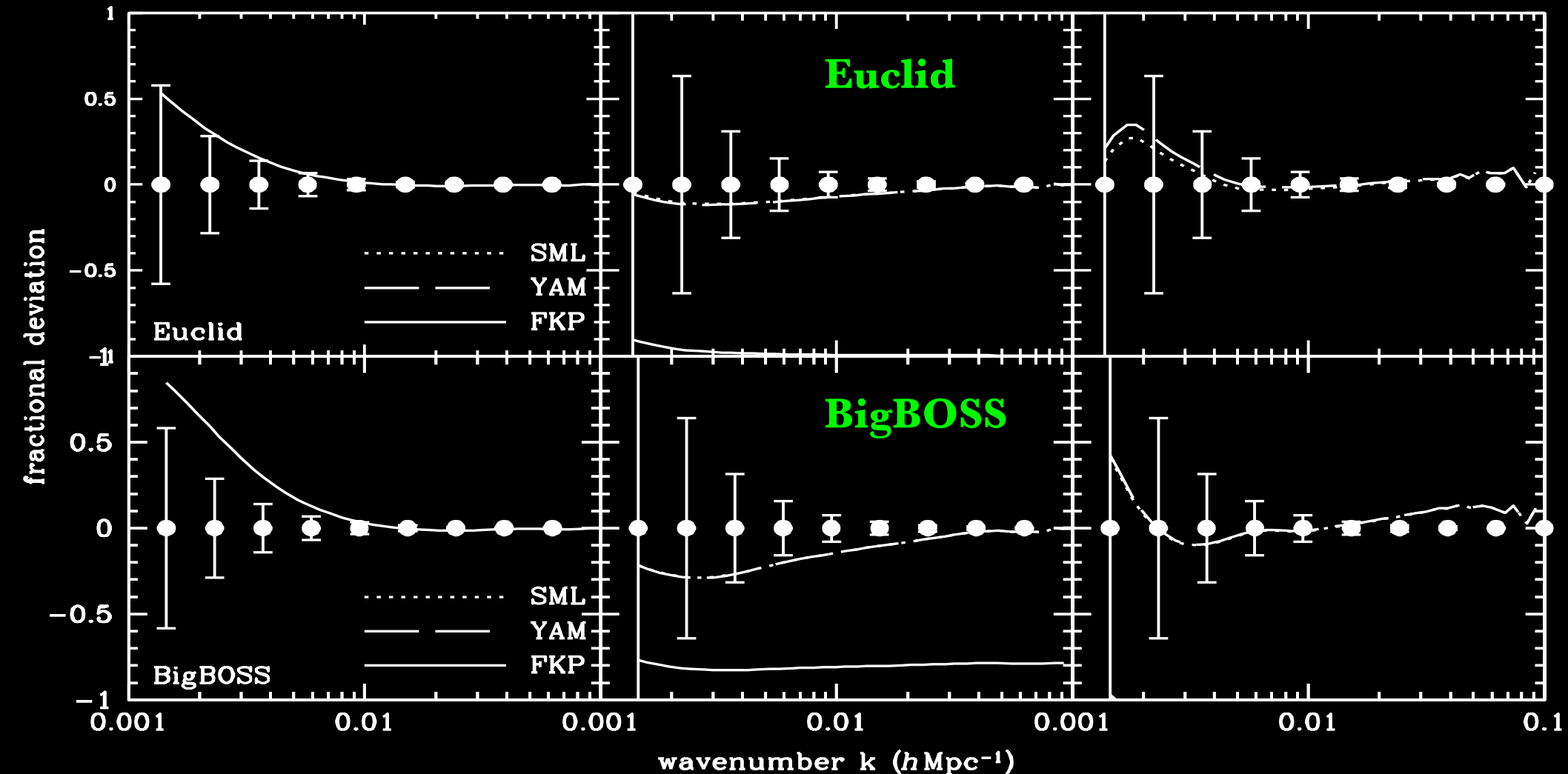
SDSS Power Spectrum

- FKP monopole: *good!*, FKP quadrupole: *bad!*
FKP hexadecapole: *awful!*
- **non-uniform** distribution: *negligible error!*
- line-of-sight dependent pair-weighting: *work well!*



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- even FKP monopole becomes *problematic!*
- **non-uniform** distribution: *non-negligible error!*
- line-of-sight dependent pair-weighting: *work well!*



**IV. TAKE-HOME MESSAGE:
HOW TO INTERPRET THE RESULTS?**

Take Home Message

- **distant-observer approximation: *accurate!***
 - galaxies are sufficiently far away
 - no degeneracy with modified gravity
- **power spectrum measurements: *ok for now!***
 - monopole is ok, but higher multipole *not*
 - further refinement is needed for Euclid, BigBOSS
- **wide angle formalism: *simple and accurate!***
 - no harm to use it
 - one can be creative in designing surveys

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