# Cosmological implications of the BOSS-CMASS clustering wedges

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## Outline

- Angle-averaged clustering measurements from BOSS.
- Modelling LSS observations.
- Anisotropic clustering measurements: clustering wedges.
- Cosmological parameters from BOSS-DR9.
- The future: DR10 and DR11.

#### The CMASS correlation function



## Potential systematics

- Great opportunity for precision cosmology.
- Control of syst. errors becomes increasingly important.
- The shape of  $\xi(s)$  is affected by
  - Non-linear evolution.
  - Redshift-space distortions.
  - Galaxy bias.

# The shape of $\xi(s)$

It is possible to model the full shape of ξ(s) (Crocce & Scoccimarro 2008; Sánchez, Baugh & Angulo 2008)



# The full shape of $\xi(\mu,s)$

• The monopole ξ(*s*) constrains the combination

$$r_{\rm s}(z_{\rm d})/D_{\rm V}(z) = r_{\rm s}(z_{\rm d})/(D_{\rm A}(z)^2 c z/H(z))^{1/3}$$

- Clustering can be analyzed in terms of (μ,s)
- There is more information in the full shape of  $\xi(\mu, s)$ .



#### The full shape of $\xi(\mu,s)$







# Clustering wedges

- Full shape of ξ(μ,s) requires: redshift-space distortions, large covariance matrix, low signal-to-noise.
- Need alternatives to extract H(z) and  $D_A(z)$ .
- One possibility: the monopole-quadrupole pair (Padmanabhan & White 2008).
- Alternatively we can use *clustering wedges* (Kazin, Sánchez & Blanton 2012)

$$\xi_{\Delta\mu}(s) = \frac{1}{\Delta\mu} \int_{\mu_{\min}}^{\mu_{\max}} \xi(\mu, s) \, d\mu$$





# Anisotropic clustering

• Two wide clustering wedges can constrain

 $y_{\parallel} = r_{\rm s}(z_{\rm d}) / \left(\frac{cz}{H(z)}\right)$  $y_{\perp} = r_{\rm s}(z_{\rm d}) / D_{\rm A}(z)$ 

• Full shape is also sensitive to  $\sigma_8 f(z)$ , where

$$f(z) = \frac{d \ln D}{d \ln a} \approx \Omega_{\rm m}^{\gamma}$$

- Higher S/N ratio than full  $\xi(\mu,s)$ .
- Easier to estimate  $C_{ij}$  from mock catalogues.

#### CMASS-DR9 clustering wedges



#### CMASS-DR9 anisotropic clustering



Kazin et al. (2013) Anderson et al. (2013)

#### CMASS-DR9 anisotropic clustering

• Use mock catalogues to validate our methodology

• Mock CMB data combined with  $(\xi_{\perp}(s), \xi_{\parallel}(s))$ 



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• We analyse the evolution of  $w_{DE}$  assuming

$$w_{\rm DE} = w_0 + w_a(1-a)$$

 The combination of all datasets is consistent with no evolution

> All:  $w_0 = -1.10 \pm 0.12$  $w_a = 0.31 \pm 0.40$



## The growth of density fluctuations



#### Future BOSS data releases

#### • Currently analysing the DR10 and DR11 BOSS samples



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#### Final remarks

- Precision cosmology requires careful modelling of nonlinear evolution, RSD and other systematics.
- Anisotropic clustering measurements can constrain  $D_A(z)$  and H(z).
- Full shape gives additional information on  $\sigma_8(z)f(z)$ .
- BOSS data shows no evidence of deviations from the ΛCDM model.
- This is just the beginning: DR10+, HETDEX, Euclid, Planck, etc., will provide much tighter constraints.