

# Precise Cosmological Constraints from BOSS (& DESI) Galaxy Clustering using the Wavelet Scattering Transform

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New Strategies for Extracting  
Cosmology from Galaxy Surveys - 2nd  
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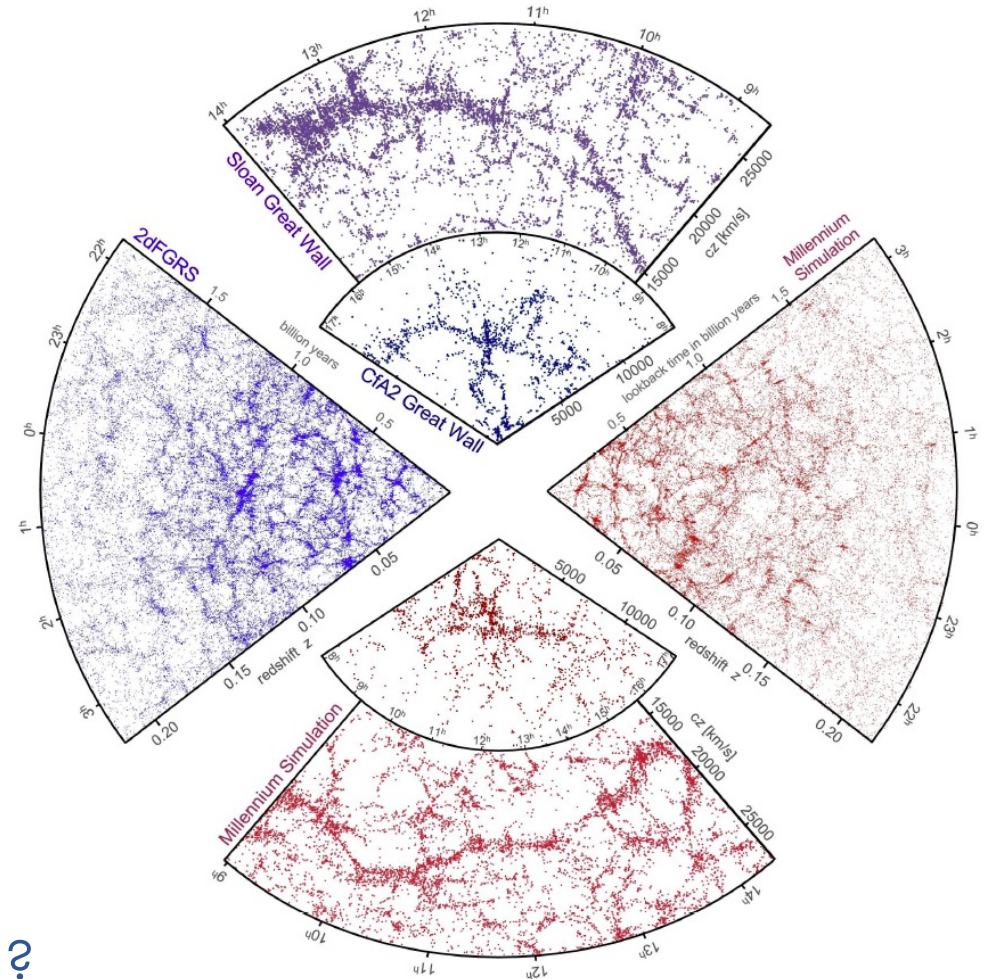


Background from  
Millennium Simulation, 2005

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# Challenges in the era of precision cosmology

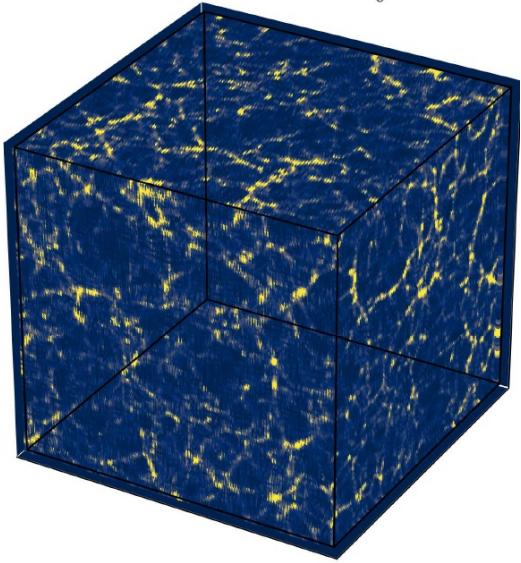
- Large-Scale Structure (LSS) of the universe a powerful probe of *fundamental physics*
  - Dark energy
  - Dark matter
  - Massive neutrinos
  - Gravity
- Will soon be mapped precisely by:
  - Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI)
  - V. Rubin Observatory LSST
  - Euclid
  - Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope
  - SPHEREx
  - + Synergies with CMB
- How do we *optimally* extract information from the LSS??



V. Springel et al. (2006)



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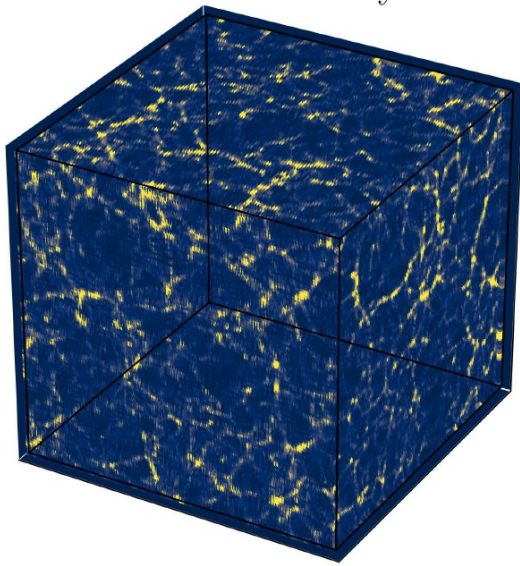


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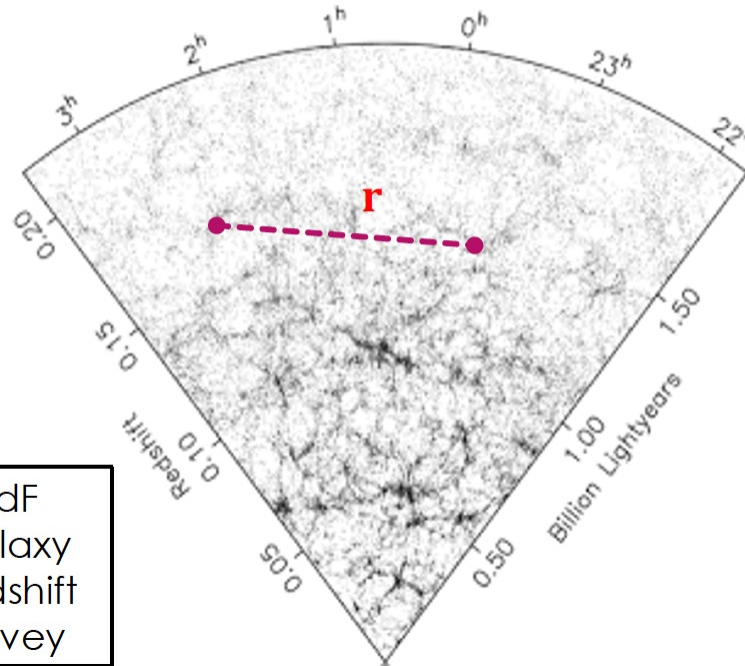
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2-point correlation function/Power Spectrum



2dF  
Galaxy  
Redshift  
Survey

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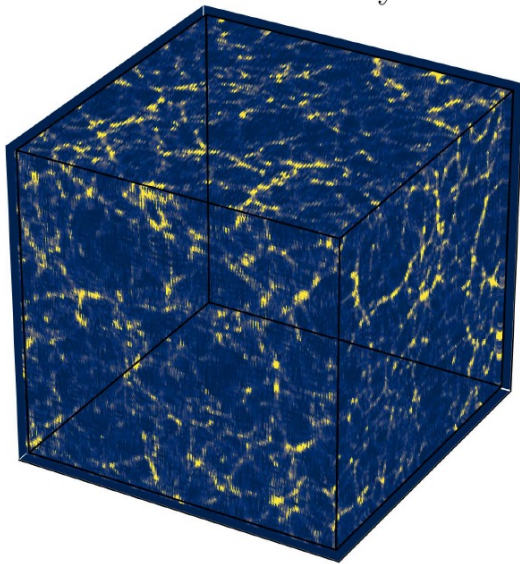
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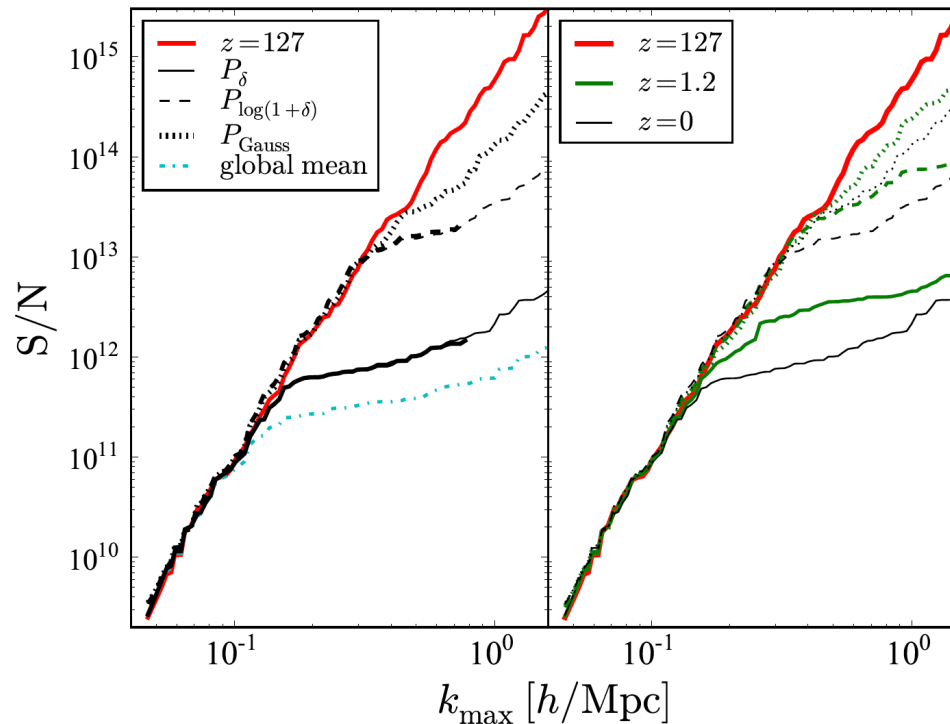
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2-point correlation function/Power Spectrum (incomplete)



Power Spectrum information saturates in nonlinear regime. Inadequate! (Carron 2011,2012)



M. Neyrinck et al. (2009)

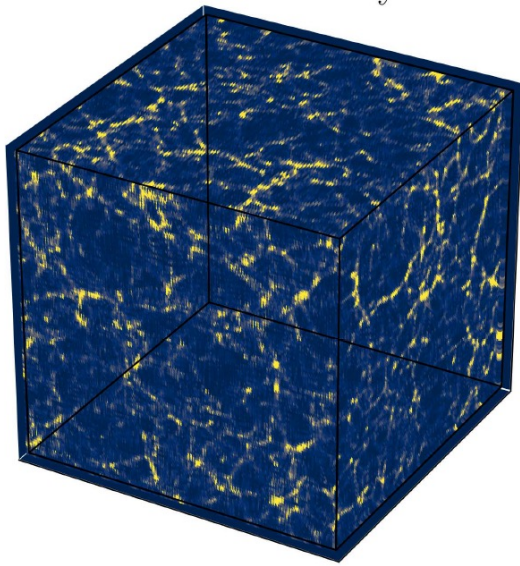
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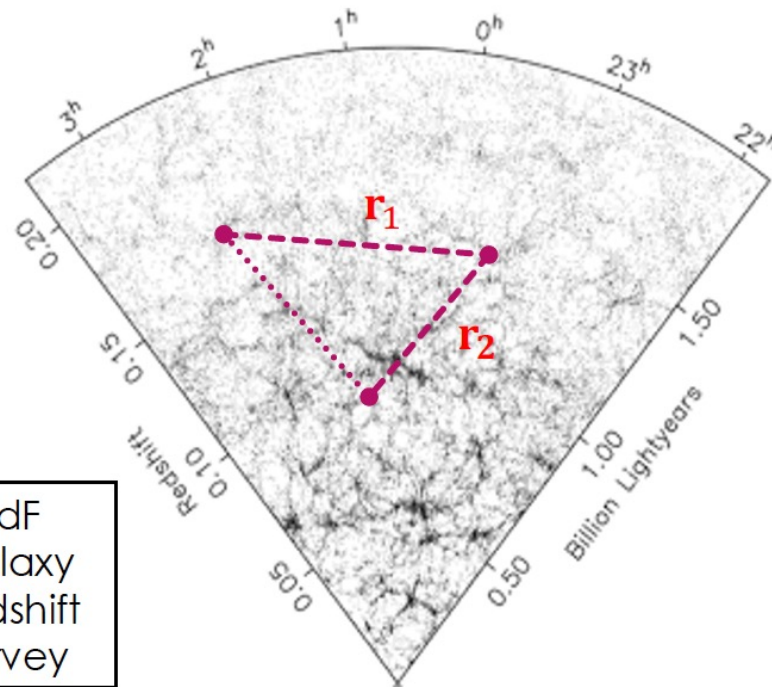


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Power spectrum + Higher order statistics (expensive, incomplete?)

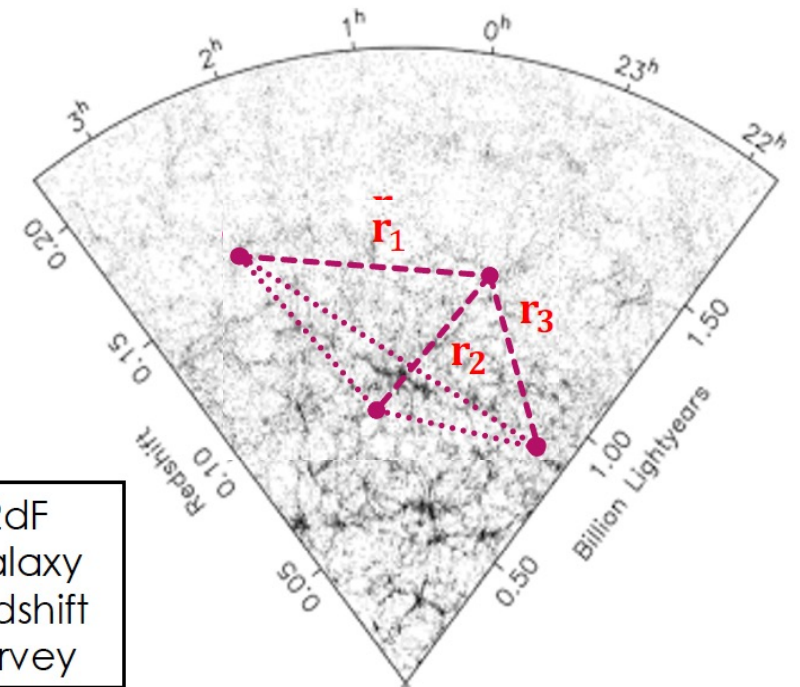


3-point function



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4-point function



2dF  
Galaxy  
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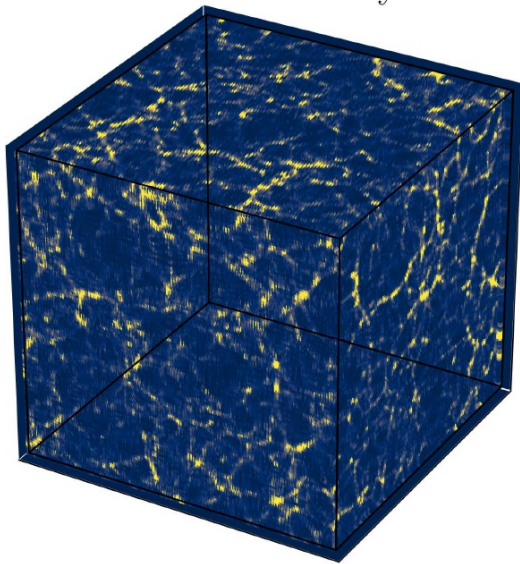
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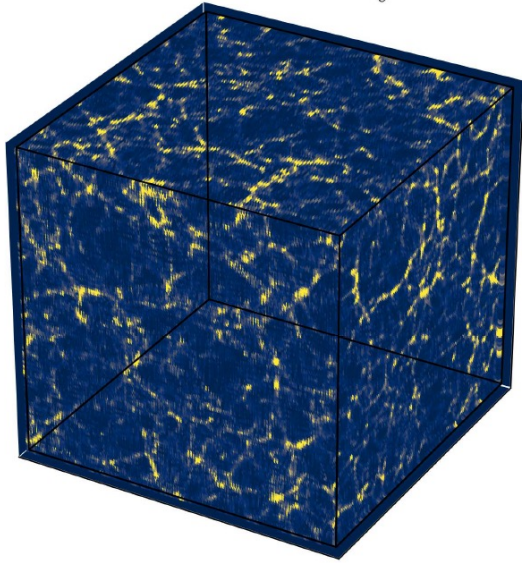
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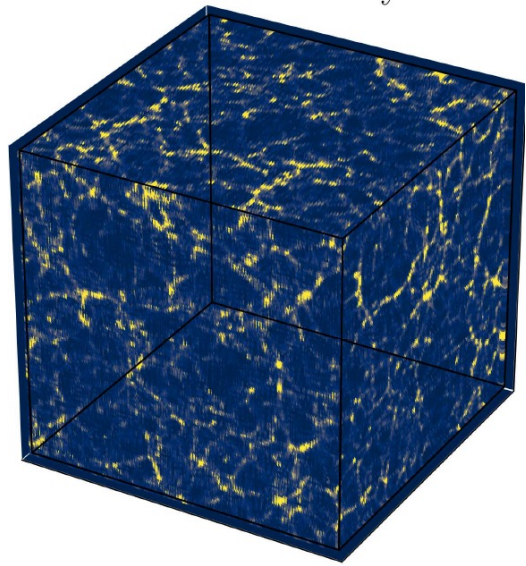
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Artificial Intelligence (e.g. CNNs)  
(Training, interpretability)





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**Wavelet Scattering Transform (WST)**  
S. Mallat (2012)

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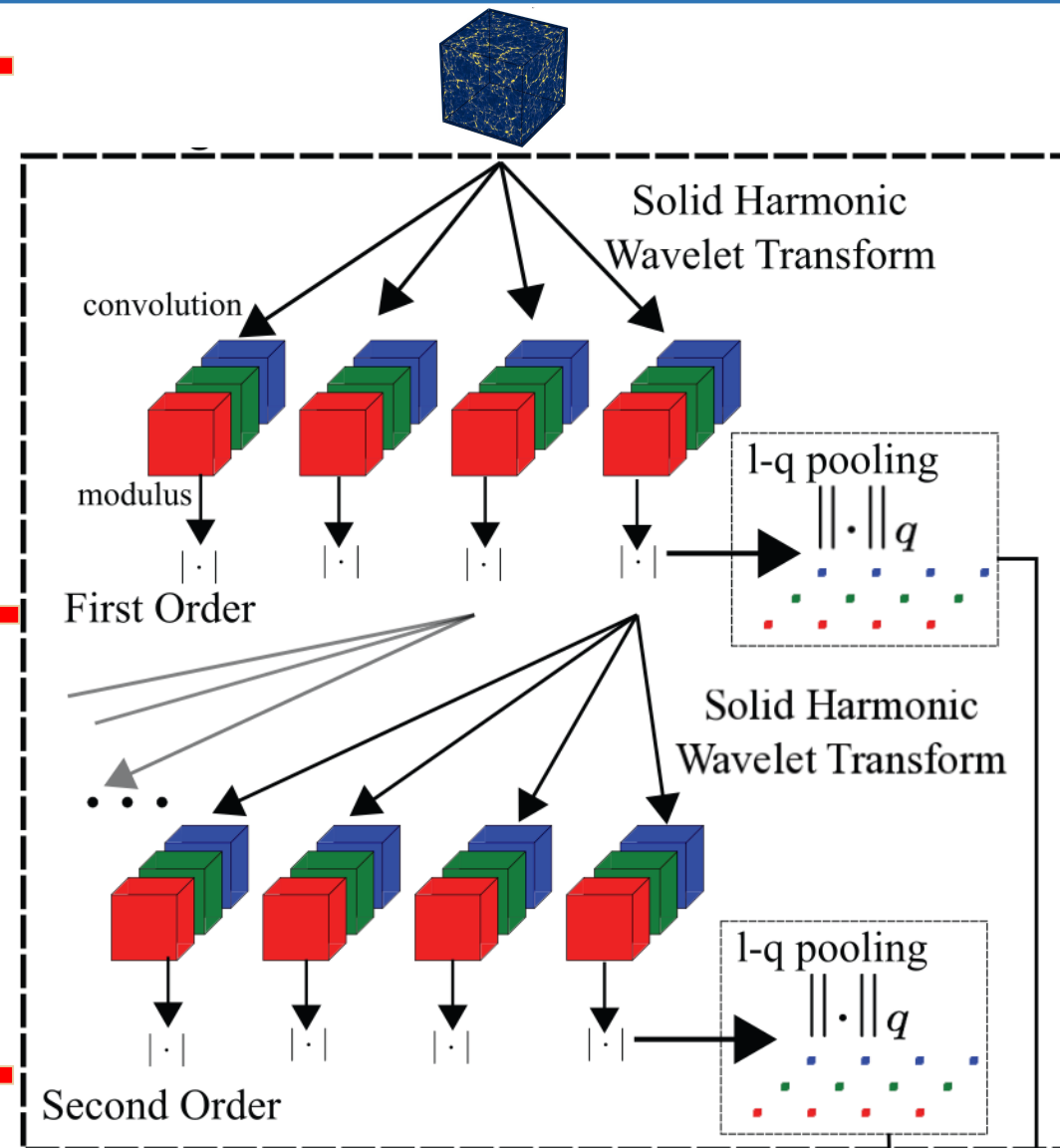
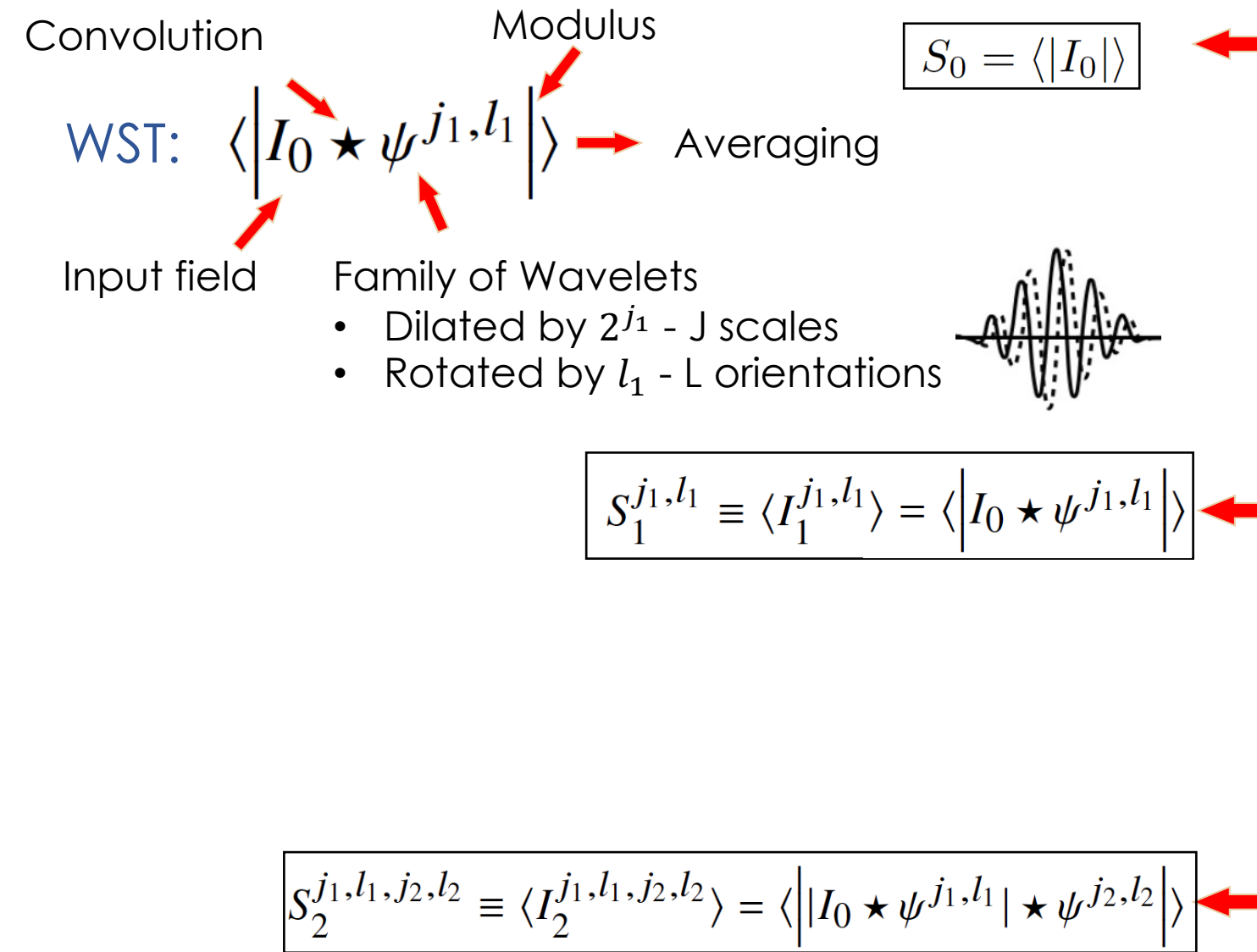
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# The Wavelet Scattering Transform (WST)



"Scattering Network" image by G. Exarchakis (2018)





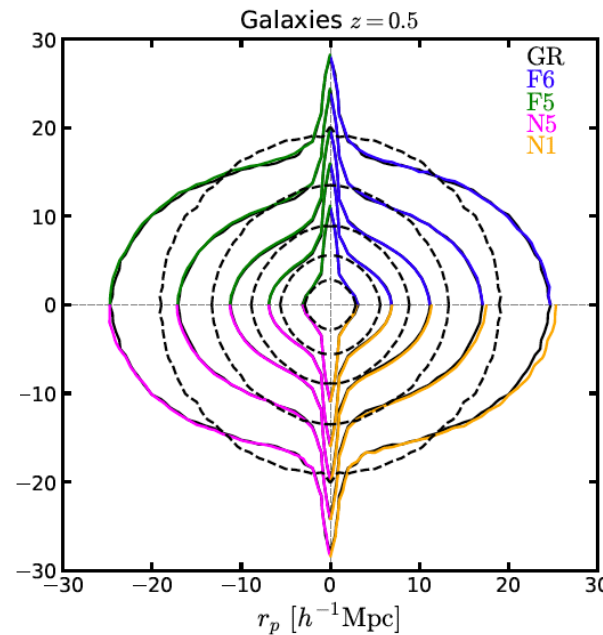
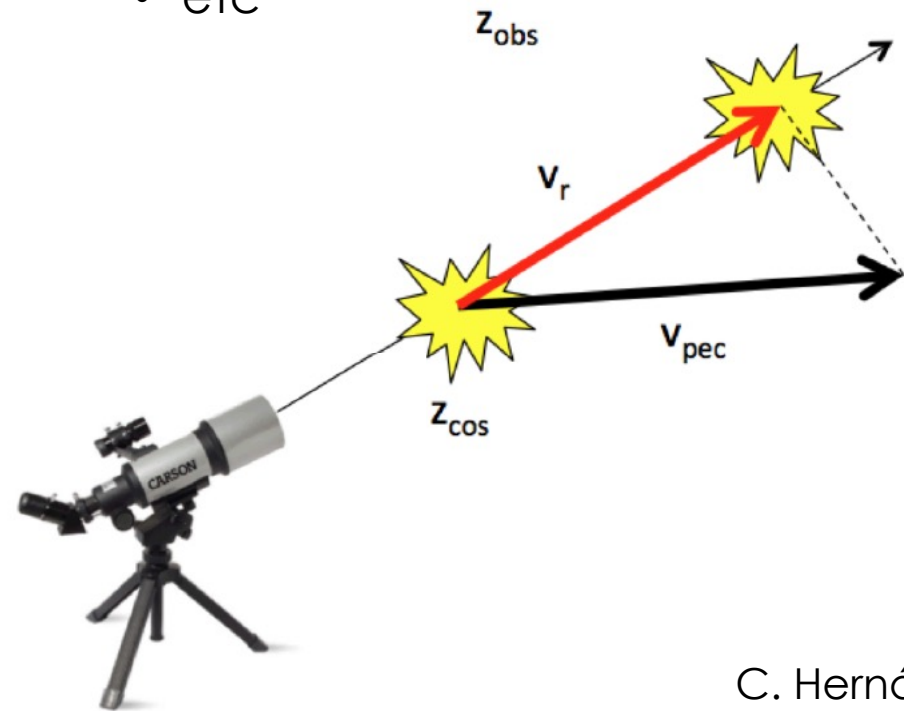
## Physical interpretation of WST coefficients

- $S_0 = \langle |I_0| \rangle$  : Mean field
- $S_1^{j_1, l_1} = \langle |I_0 \star \psi^{j_1, l_1}| \rangle$  :  $\sim P(k)$ . In fact,  $P(k) \rightarrow \langle |I \star e^{-ikx}|^2 \rangle$
- $S_2^{j_1, l_1, j_2, l_2} = \langle |I_0 \star \psi^{j_1, l_1} \star \psi^{j_2, l_2}| \rangle$  : *Non-Gaussian* information (up to  $2^2 = 4$ pcf, for  $n=2$ )
- Basis  $S_0 + S_1 + S_2$  reflects clustering properties of target field  $I_0(x)$
- Retaining all *desirable* properties of regular  $P(k)$  ✓ Mallat (2012)
- +
- **Compactness** ✓ (Anden & Mallat, 2011, 2014, Bruna & Mallat, 2013) & **Robustness/Stability** ✓ (Carron 2011, 2012, Cheng & Menard 2021b)
- **A CNN with fixed weights, but interpretable!** (Bruna & Mallat 2013)
  - Performance on par with a CNN in WL applications! (Cheng et al. 2020b, Cheng & Menard 2021a)
- **WST exceeds performance of traditional  $P(k)$  in 3D LSS studies (Valogiannis & Dvorkin 2022a,b)**
  - Also overperforms marked  $P(k)$  (Massara et al., PRL 126, 011301 (2021))

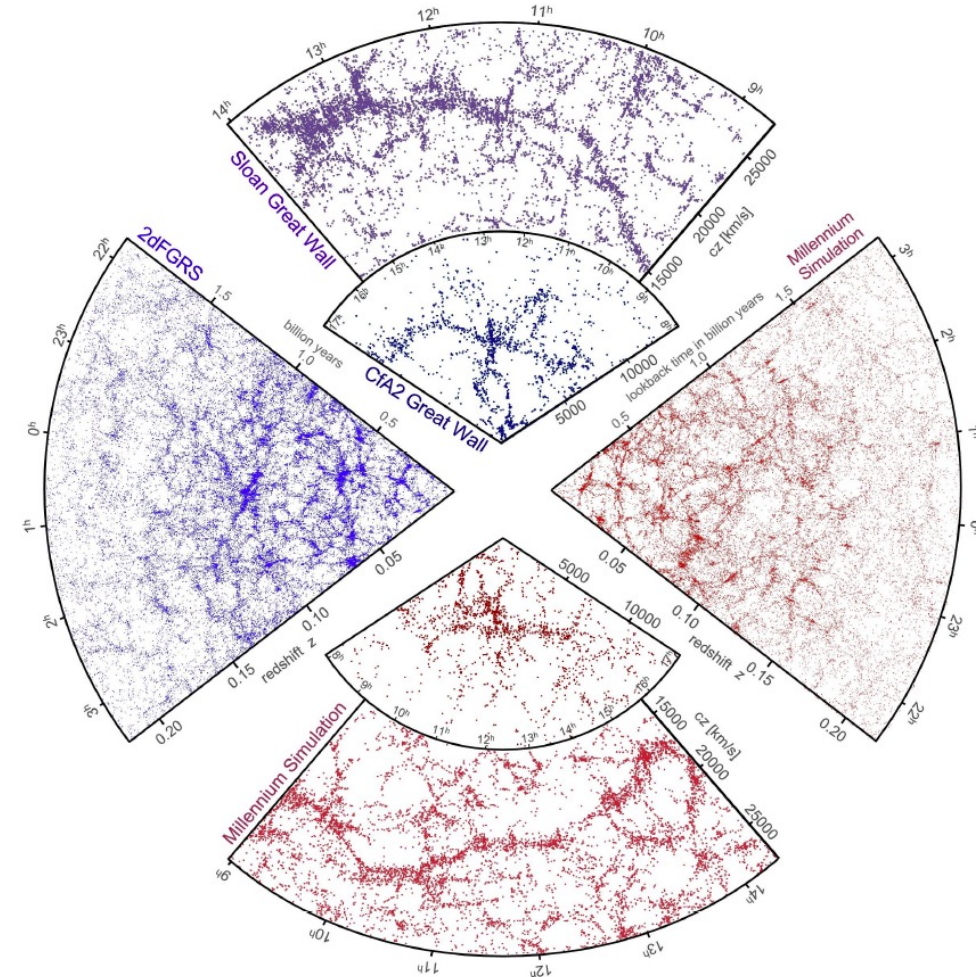


## However

- LSS surveys observe *galaxies*:
  - Biased tracers of dark matter field
  - Redshift-Space Distortions (RSD)
  - Systematics (Geometry, fiber collisions, etc..)
  - Lightcone
  - etc



C. Hernández-Aguayo et al., 2018



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# First WST application on BOSS



- **First** WST application on 3D *redshift-space galaxy density field!* (Valogiannis & Dvorkin 2022b)
  - Working with BOSS CMASS DR12 sample at  $0.46 < z < 0.57$
  - Northern + Southern Galactic Cap

• For survey data, fundamental quantity of interest is the *FKP field* (Feldman, Kaiser, Peacock et al., 1994) :

$$F(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{w_{\text{FKP}}(\mathbf{r})}{I_2^{1/2}} [w_c(\mathbf{r})n_g(\mathbf{r}) - \alpha_r n_s(\mathbf{r})]$$

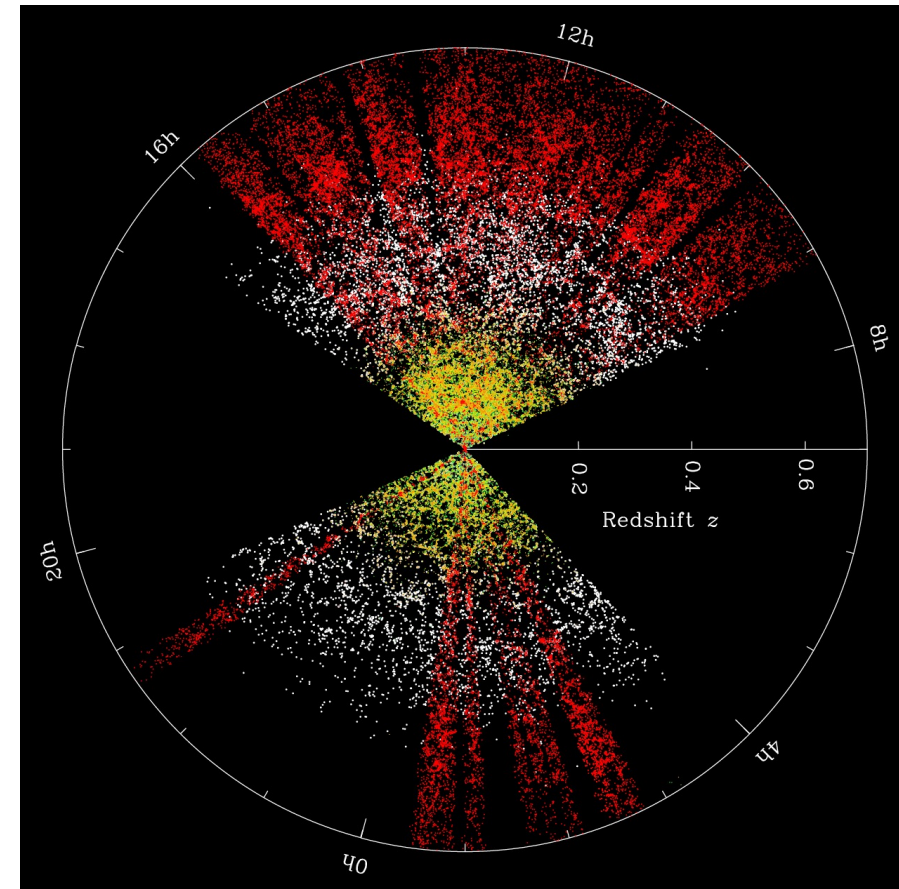
Galaxies      Randoms

- Systematic + FKP weights

$$w_c(\mathbf{r}) = (w_{\text{rf}}(\mathbf{r}) + w_{\text{fc}}(\mathbf{r}) - 1.0) w_{\text{sys}}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$w_{\text{FKP}}(\mathbf{r}) = [1 + \bar{n}_g(\mathbf{r})P_0]^{-1}$$

- Serves as input into WST network
  - With  $N_{\text{grid}} = 270^3$  and  $L_{\text{Box}} = 2700 \text{ Mpc}/h$





# Likelihood analysis

- We perform likelihood analysis, sampling from Gaussian likelihood

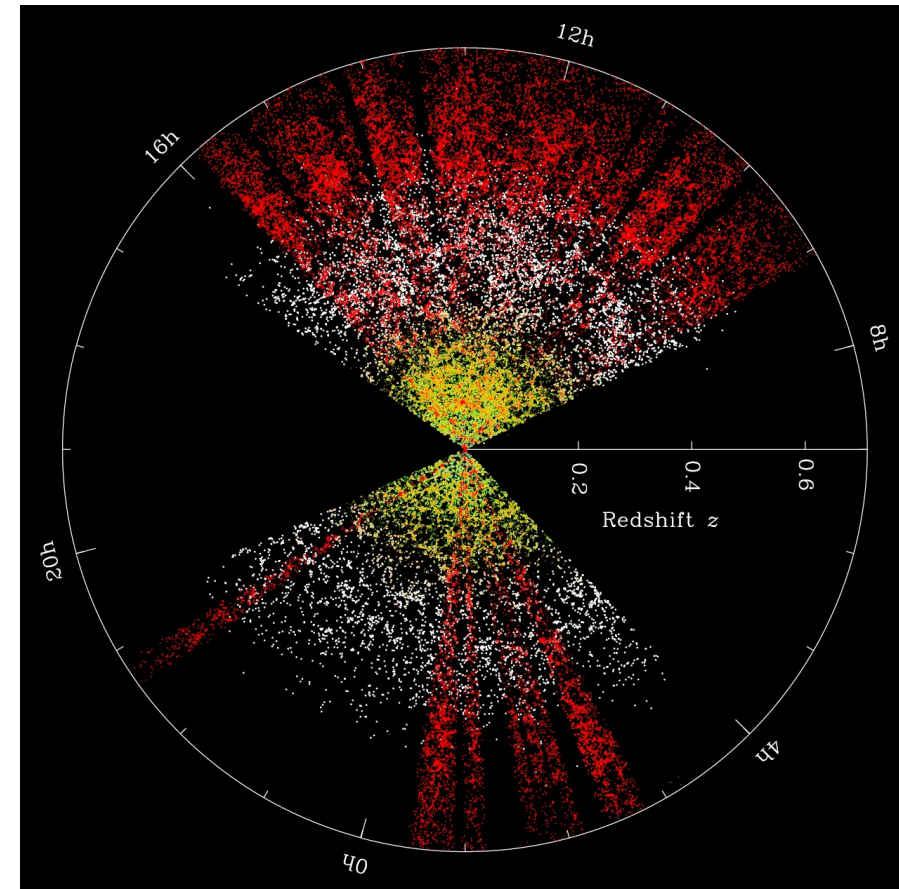
$$\log \mathcal{L}(\theta|\mathbf{d}) \propto -\frac{1}{2} [\mathbf{X}_d - \mathbf{X}_t(\theta)]^T C^{-1} [\mathbf{X}_d - \mathbf{X}_t(\theta)]$$

# Likelihood analysis

- Data

$$\log \mathcal{L}(\theta|\mathbf{d}) \propto -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{X}_d - \mathbf{X}_t(\theta))^T C^{-1} [\mathbf{X}_d - \mathbf{X}_t(\theta)]$$

- Use vector of WST coefficients as observable
- Extracted from BOSS CMASS FKP field, using J=5 scales and L=5 orientations
- $\mathbf{S}_0 + \mathbf{S}_1 + \mathbf{S}_2 = 76$  WST coefficients
- Also, use galaxy 2-point correlation function multipoles  $\xi_{l=0,2}(\mathbf{r})$  ( $r_{min} = 8 \text{ Mpc}/h$ ) as benchmark





# Likelihood analysis

- Theory model

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- Capture cosmological dependence using

Abacus Summit simulations (Maksimova et al. 2021, Garrison et al. 2019&2021)

HOD tuned to BOSS CMASS at  $0.46 < z < 0.60$  with AbacusHOD (**Yuan et al. 2021**)

Box  $L=2000$  Mpc/h,  $N_{grid} = 200^3$

- Fiducial cosmology from Planck 2018  $\{\omega_b, \omega_c, n_s, \sigma_8\} = \{0.02237, 0.120, 0.9649, 0.8114\}$

- + Fixed angular size of sound horizon at last scattering.  $100\theta_* = 1.041533$

- + 7 HOD model parameters (vanilla HOD + velocity bias)

$$\{\alpha, \alpha_c, \alpha_s, \kappa, \log M_1, \log M_{cut}, \sigma\} = \{0.9022, 0.2499, 1.1807, 0.3288, 14.313, 12.8881, 0.02084\}$$

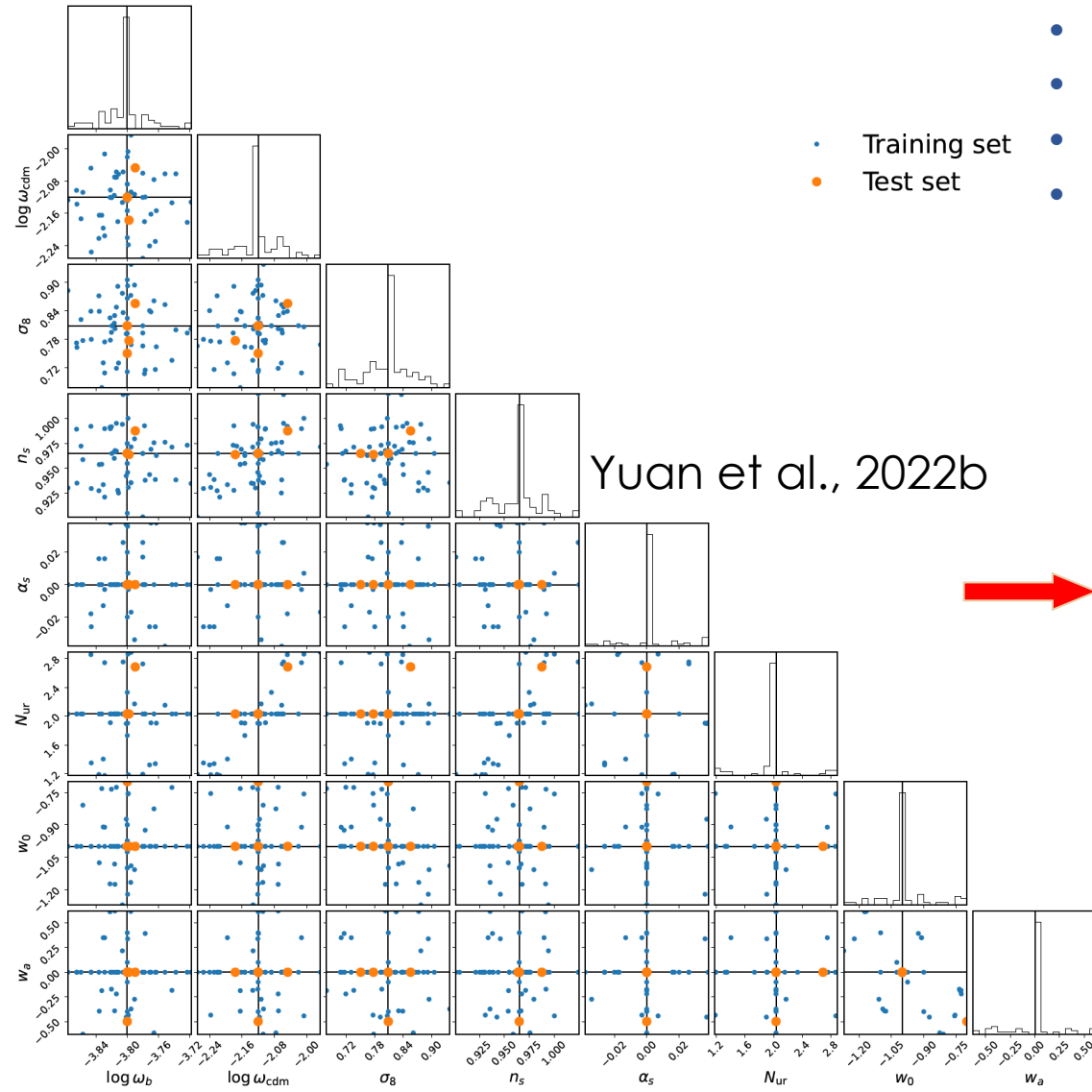
- We cut Abacus cubic boxes into actual CMASS geometry

- Using 'make survey' (White et al., 2013)



# WST emulator

- Construct *full emulator* of WST's cosmological dependence
- Data vector of 76 coefficients up to 2<sup>nd</sup> order, for J=L=5
- Trained from 151,474 Abacus Summit galaxy mocks!
- 8 cosmo + 7 HOD = 15d space, neural net-based



ΛCDM

Extended

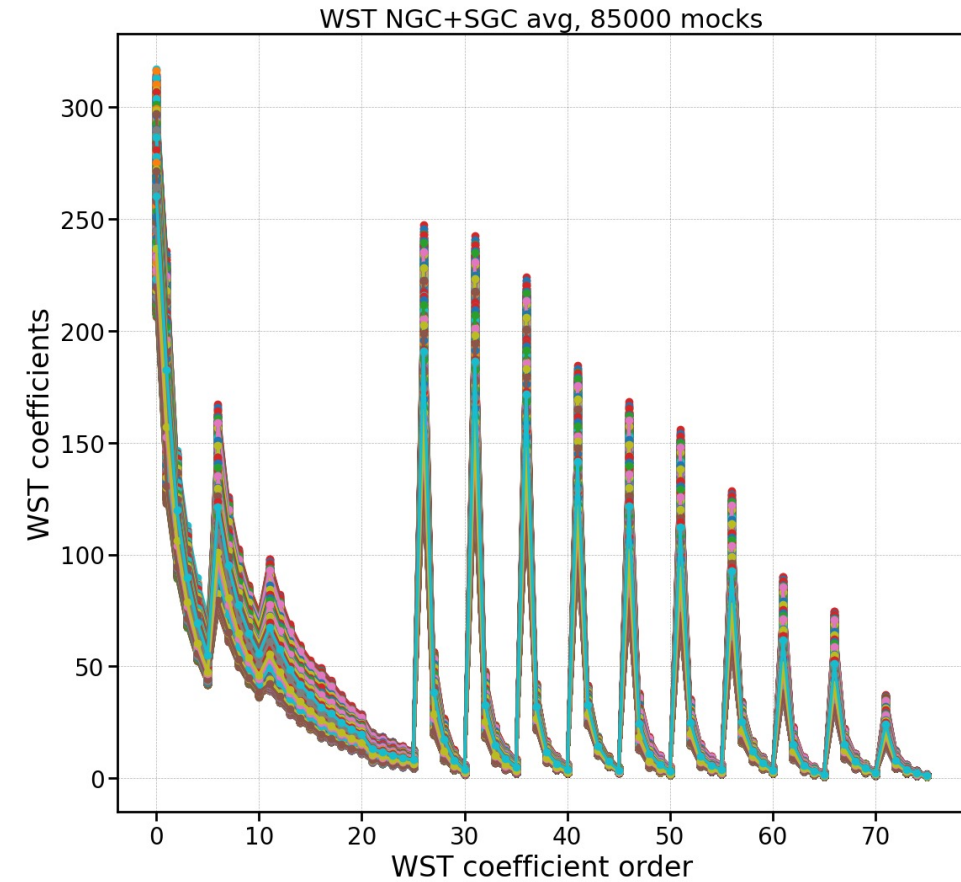
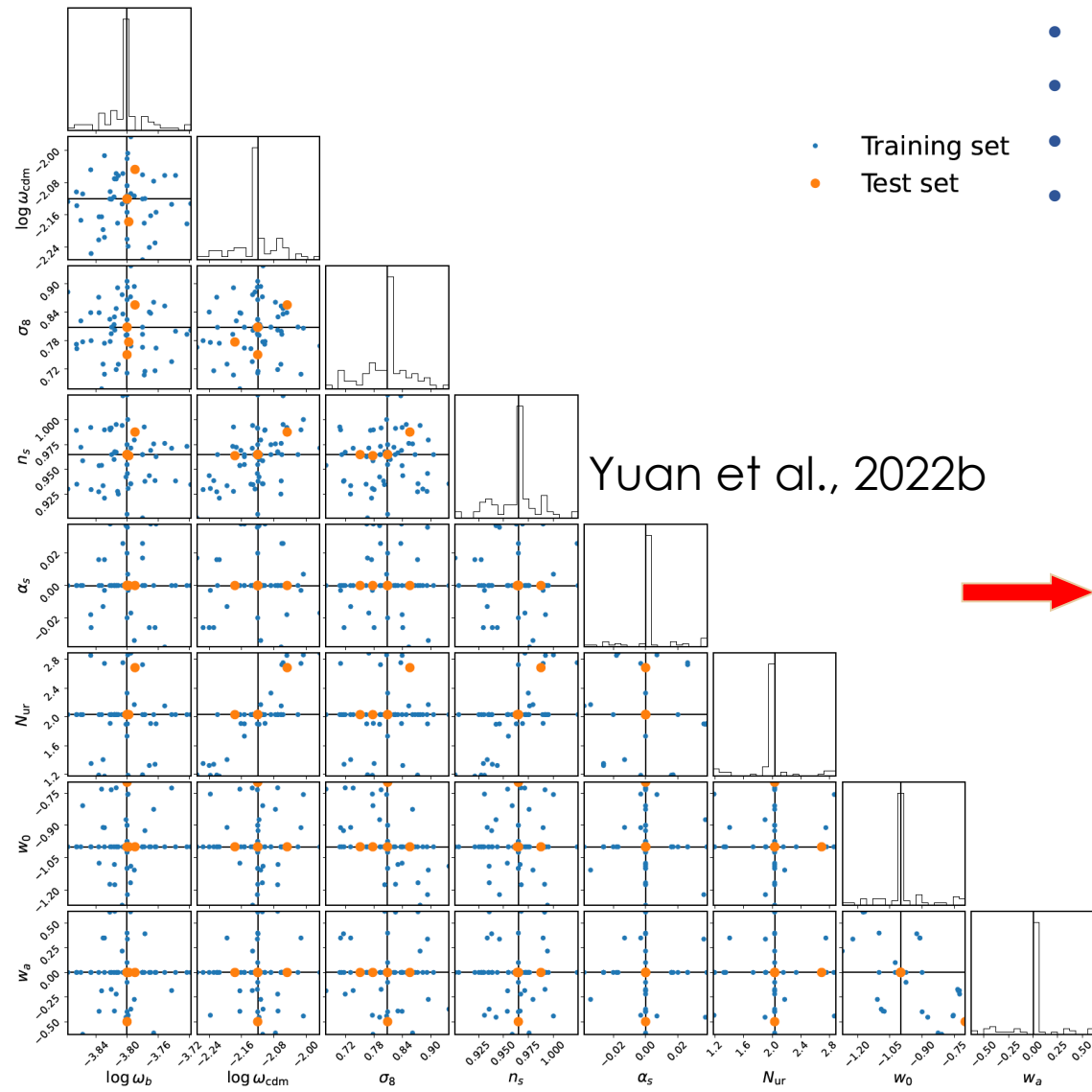
HOD

Parameter	Bounds
$\omega_b$	[0.0207, 0.0243]
$\omega_c$	[0.1032, 0.14]
$\sigma_8$	[0.687, 0.938]
$n_s$	[0.901, 1.025]
$a_{\text{run}}$	[-0.038, 0.038]
$N_{\text{eff}}$	[2.1902, 3.9022]
$w_0$	[-1.27, -0.70]
$w_a$	[-0.628, 0.621]
$\log_{10} M_{\text{cut}}$	[12.4, 13.3]
$\log_{10} M_1$	[13.0, 15.0]
$\sigma$	[0.001, 1.0]
$\alpha$	[0.5, 1.5]
$\kappa$	[0.0, 8]
$\alpha_c$	[0.0, 0.8]
$\alpha_s$	[0.0, 1.5]

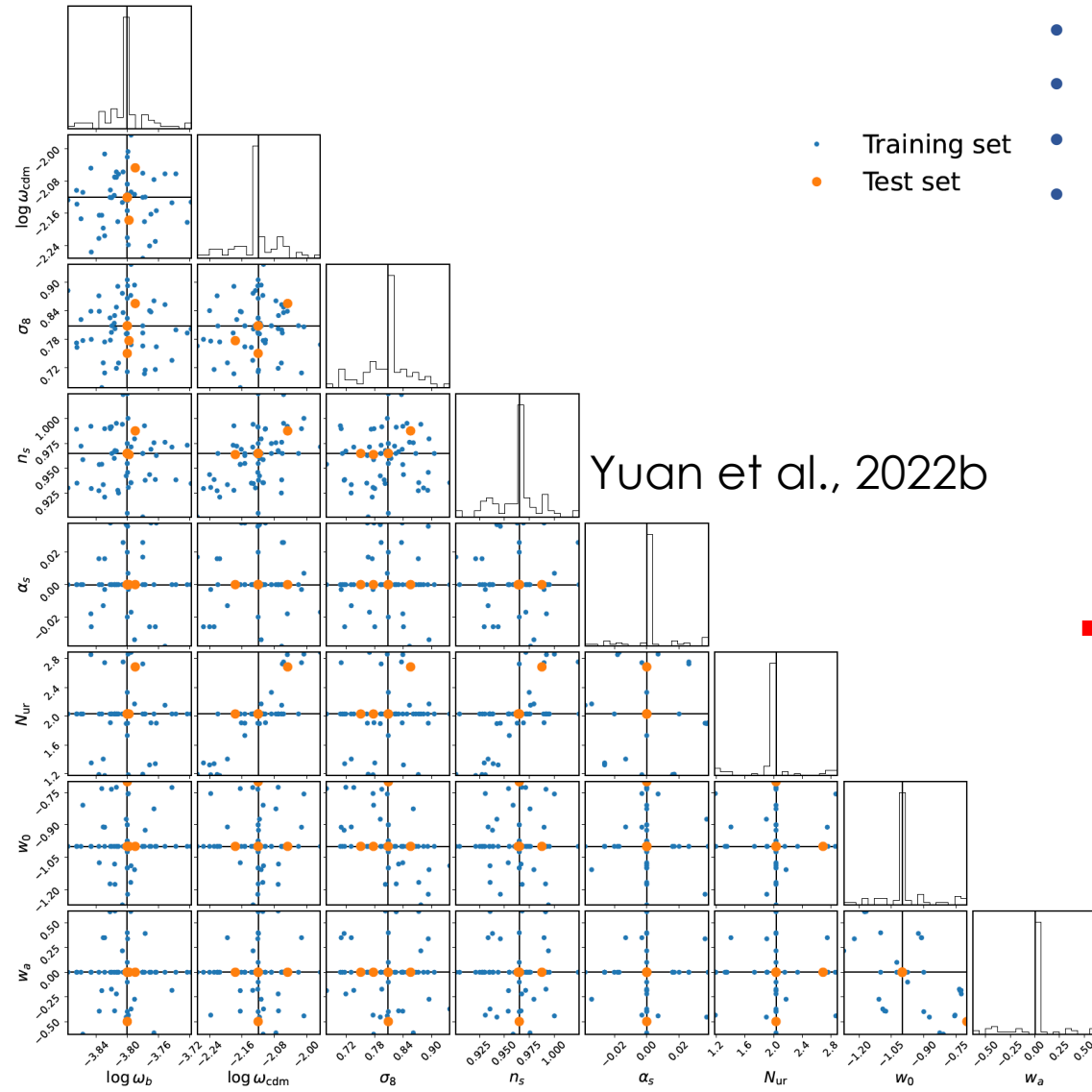
Valogiannis et al., 2023

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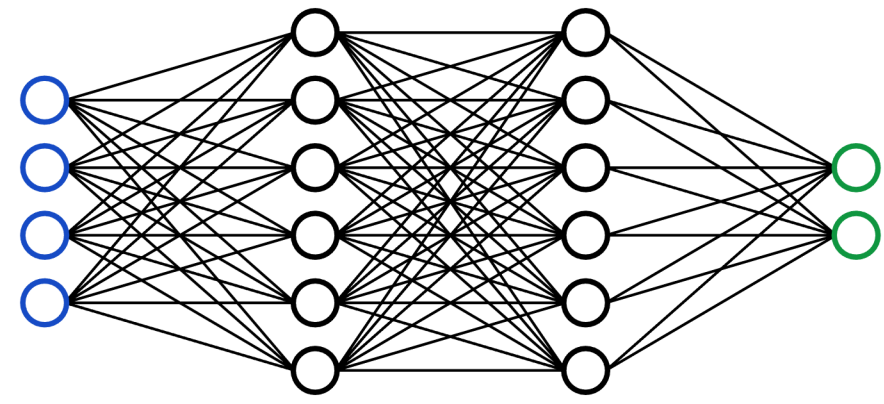
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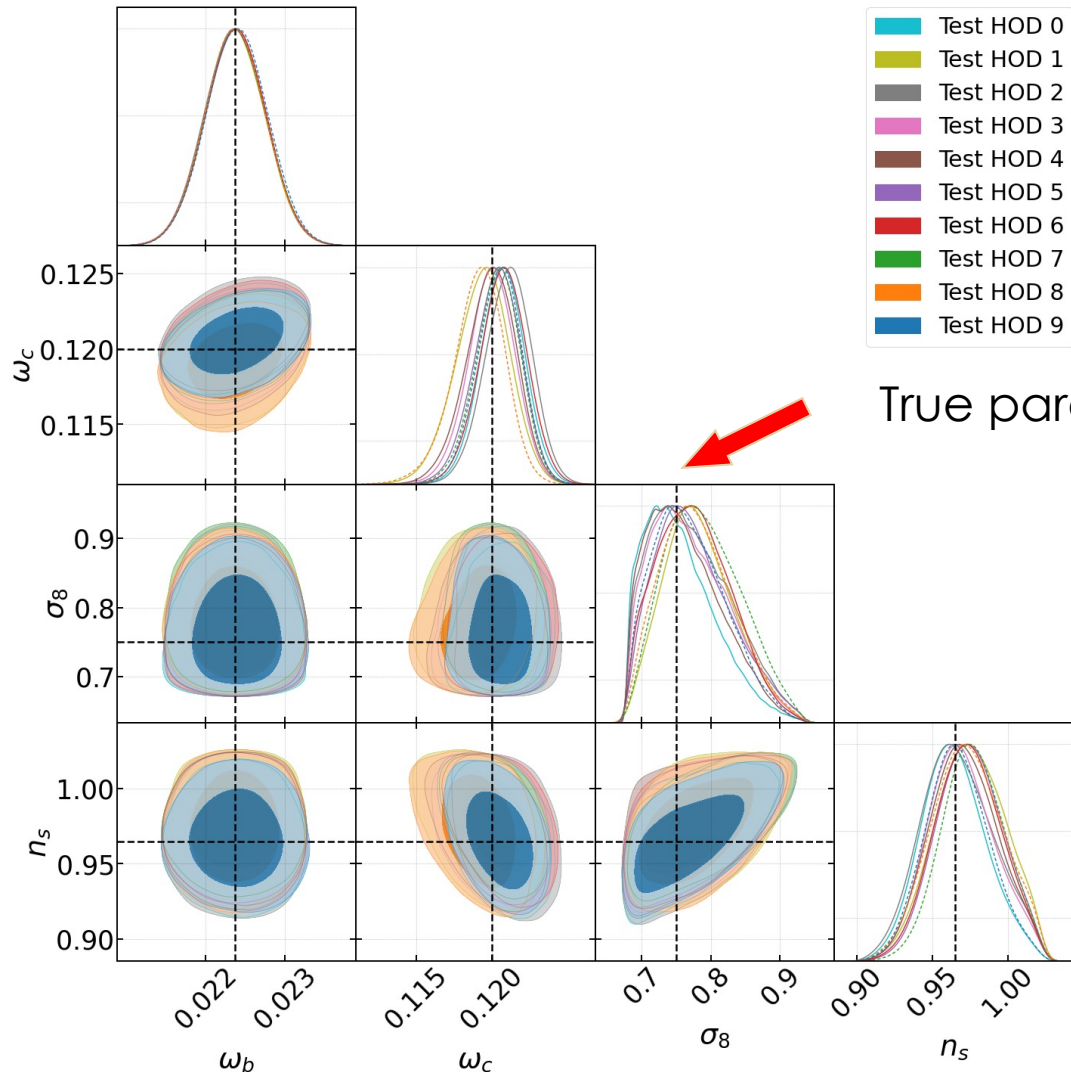


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# Hold-out tests on Abacus mocks

- Tests against out-sample test set of mocks
- *Successful* parameter recovery in all 40 hold-out tests!!
- Confirms tight 1- $\sigma$  errors using full likelihood/MCMC!
- Marginalized over 7 HOD nuisance parameters
- In agreement with conclusions of (**Valogiannis & Dvorkin, 2022b**) !



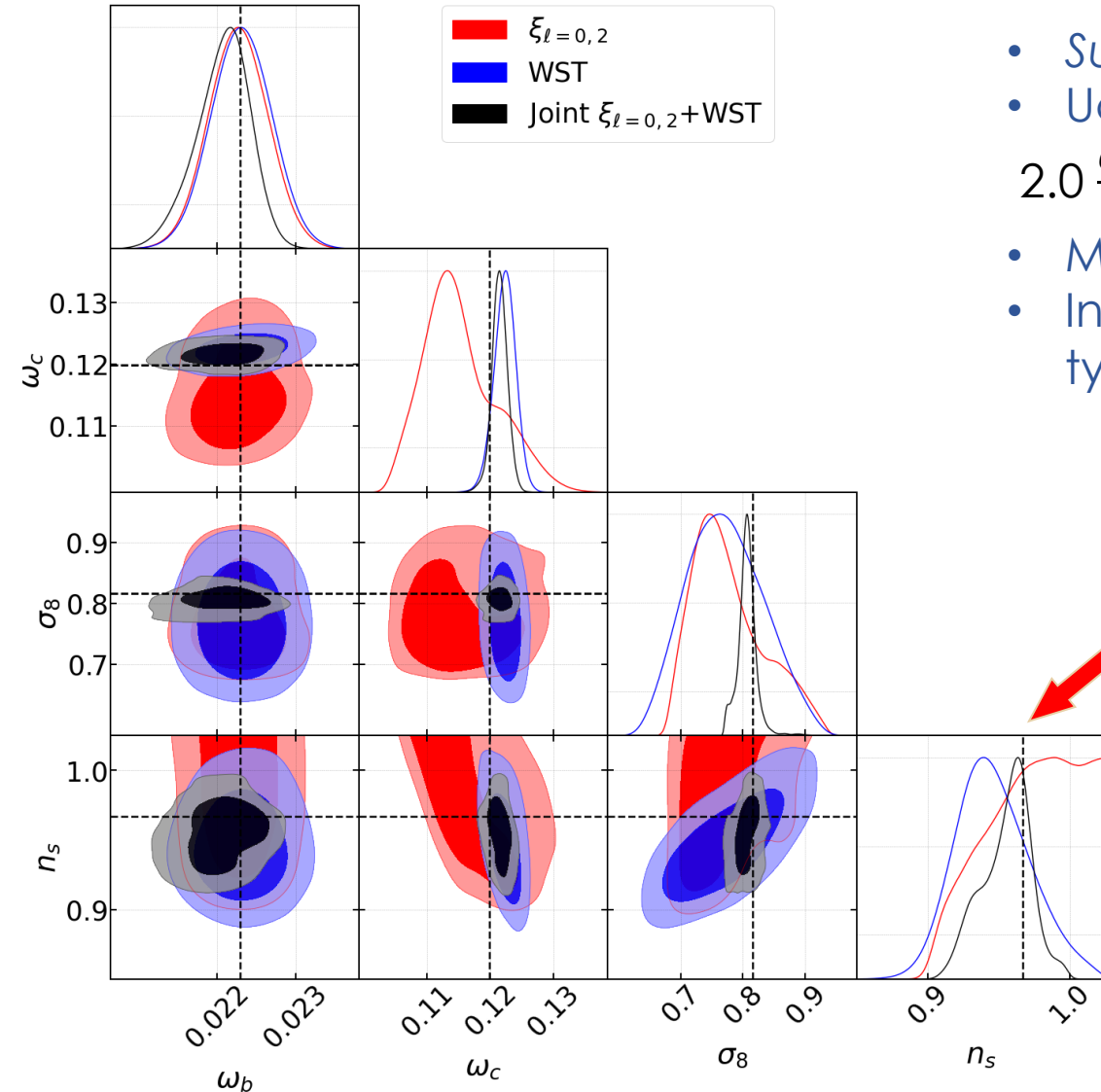
True parameter values

Example of successful parameter recovery from a test mock with low  $\sigma_8$

Valogiannis et al., 2023



# Hold-out tests on external Uchuu mock

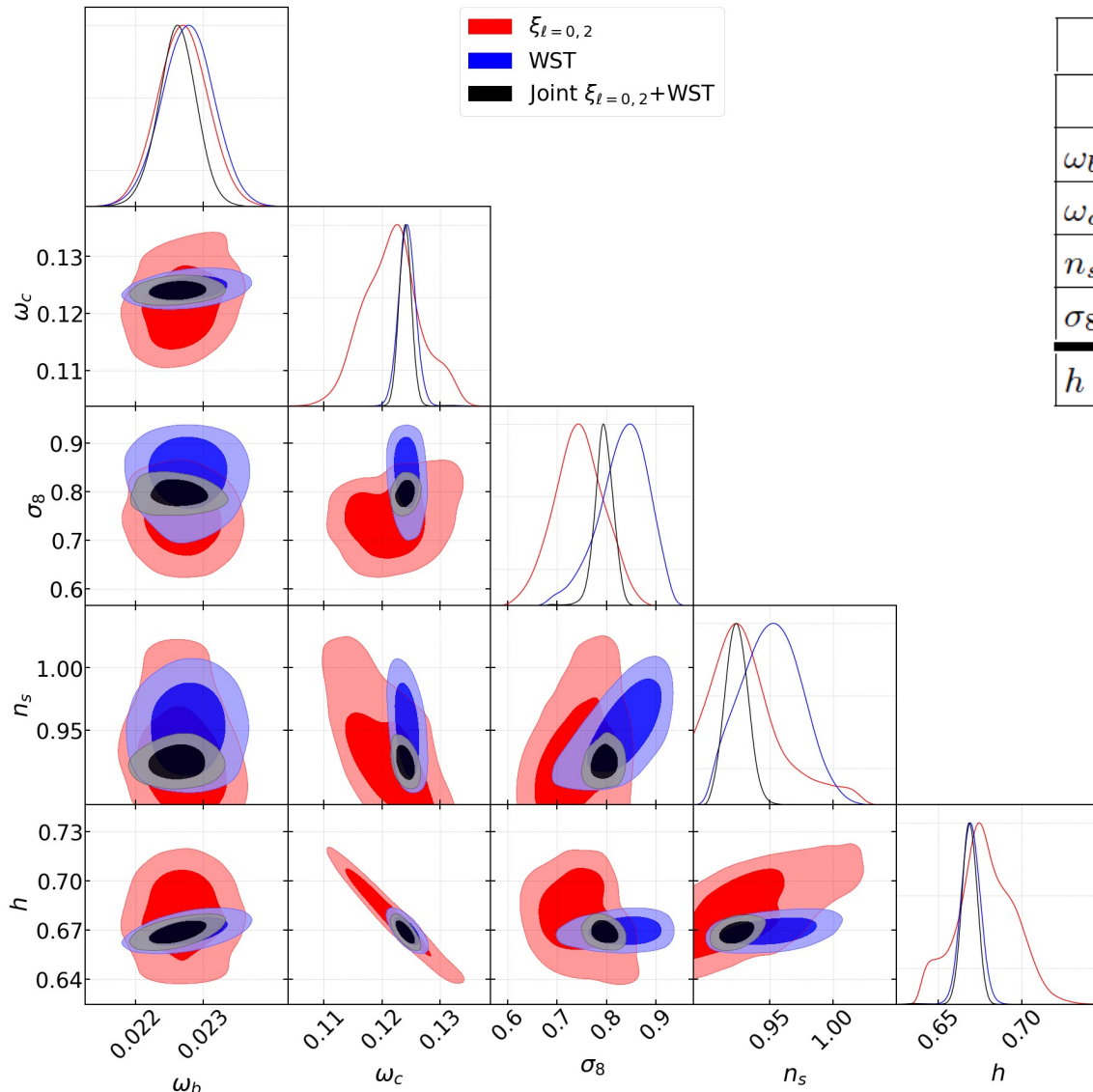


- Successful parameter recovery in non-HOD mock!!
- Uchuu UniverseMachine mock (T. Ishiyama et al., 2021),  $2.0 \frac{Gpc}{h}$  side box with number density  $n_g = 2.9 \times 10^{-4} \frac{h^3}{Mpc^3}$ .
- More realistic treatment than HOD
- Indicates robustness against different galaxy mock type/model, and also phase!

True parameter values

Evidence of successful parameter recovery from more realistic Uchuu-UM test mock

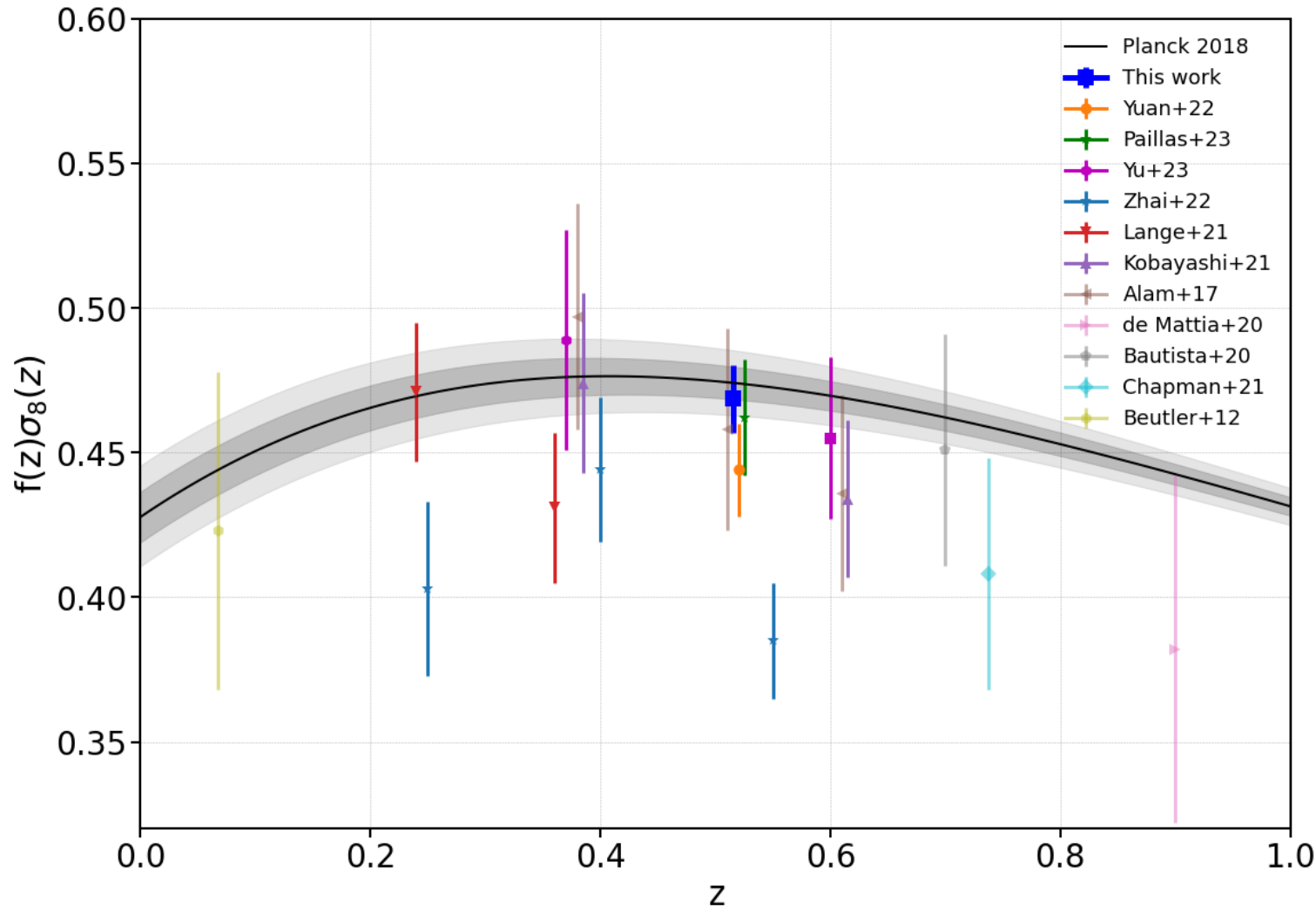
# WST Constraints from BOSS CMASS data!



	2-point c.f.		WST		Joint 2-point c.f.+WST	
	Best-fit	Mean $\pm\sigma$	Best-fit	Mean $\pm\sigma$	Best-fit	Mean $\pm\sigma$
$\omega_b$	0.02261	0.02270 $^{+0.00037}_{-0.00037}$	0.02274	0.02277 $^{+0.00038}_{-0.00038}$	0.0225	0.02262 $^{+0.00029}_{-0.00029}$
$\omega_c$	0.1201	0.1222 $^{+0.0040}_{-0.0063}$	0.1239	0.1244 $^{+0.0015}_{-0.0015}$	0.1238	0.1241 $^{+0.0011}_{-0.0011}$
$n_s$	0.925	0.922 $^{+0.037}_{-0.037}$	0.961	0.951 $^{+0.023}_{-0.023}$	0.927	0.924 $^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$
$\sigma_8$	0.742	0.746 $^{+0.051}_{-0.051}$	0.860	0.834 $^{+0.058}_{-0.039}$	0.793	0.795 $^{+0.019}_{-0.019}$
$h$	0.677	0.677 $^{+0.022}_{-0.015}$	0.67	0.669 $^{+0.0059}_{-0.0059}$	0.668	0.669 $^{+0.0049}_{-0.0049}$

- WST  $1\sigma$  errors on  $\omega_c$  &  $n_s$  4.2x & 1.6x tighter than  $\xi(r)$
- Joint WST+ $\xi(r)$  analysis improves  $1\sigma$  errors by **2.5-6x** compared to  $\xi(r)$ -only!
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- Competitive 0.9%, 2.3% & 1% determination of  $\omega_c$ ,  $\sigma_8$  &  $n_s$
- 0.7% determination of  $H_0$ , as a *derived* parameter from fixed  $\theta_*$

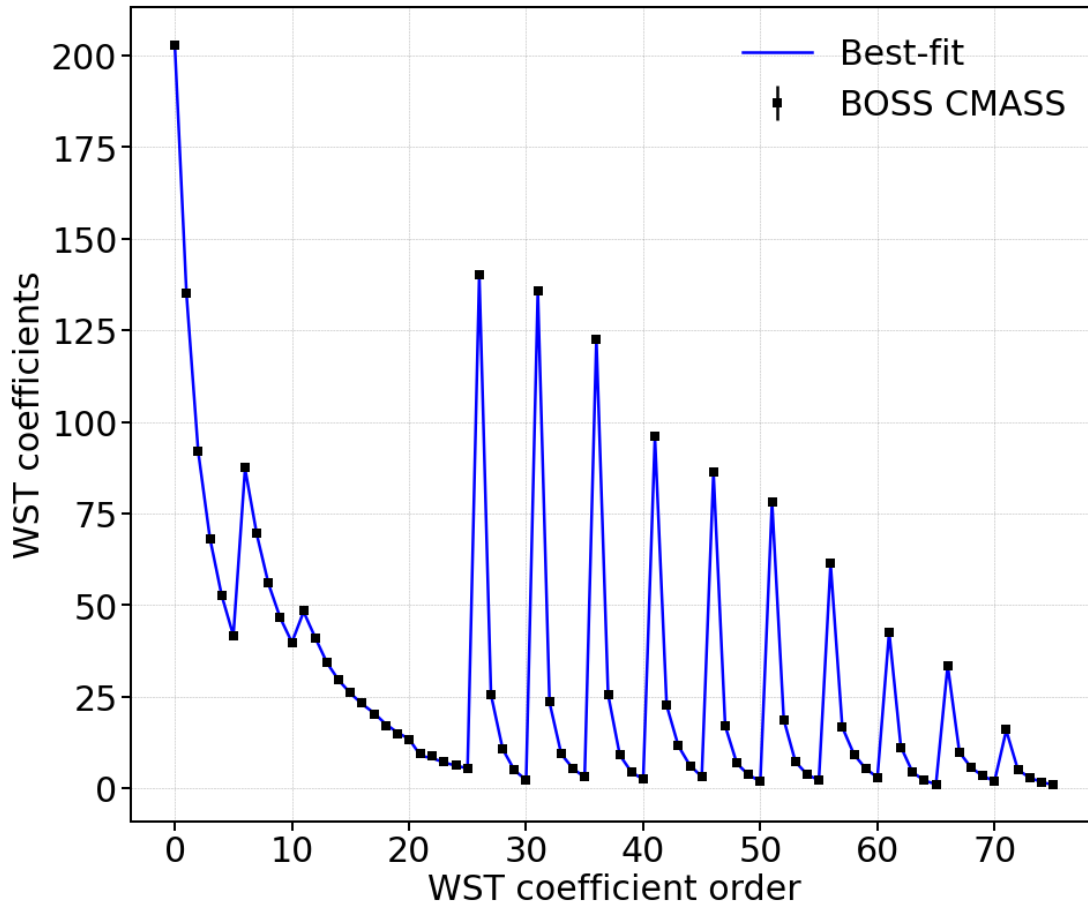
# Competitive Constraints on Structure Growth!



- $f\sigma_8(z_{eff} = 0.515) = 0.469 \pm 0.012$
- 2.5% level of determination in agreement with *Planck 2018*
- In  $1\sigma$  agreement with density-split analysis (Paillas et al., 2023)
- $S_8 = 0.833 \pm 0.023$ , in almost perfect agreement with Planck 2018  
 $S_8 = 0.832 \pm 0.013$



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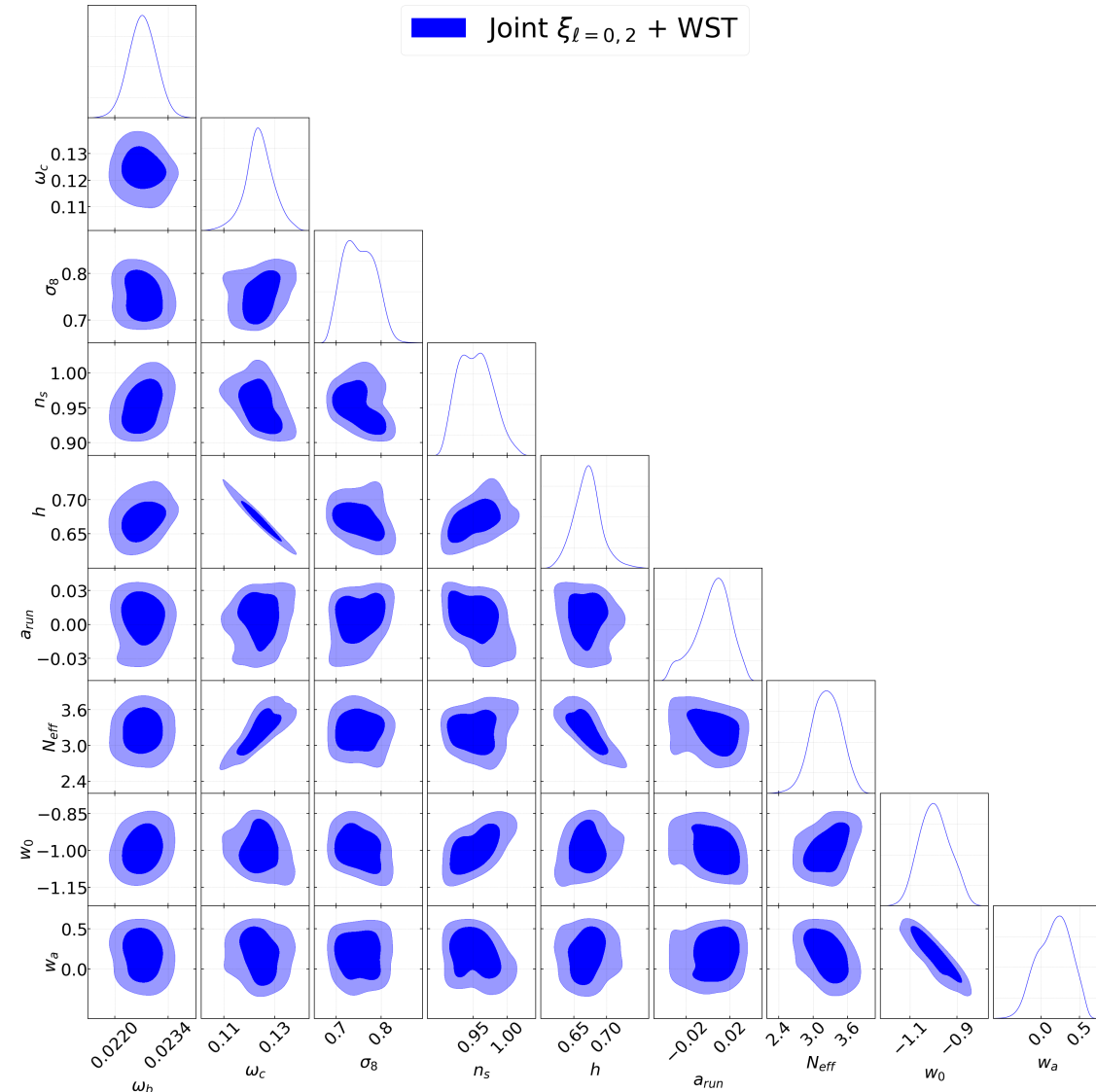




# Constraints on $\Lambda$ CDM extensions

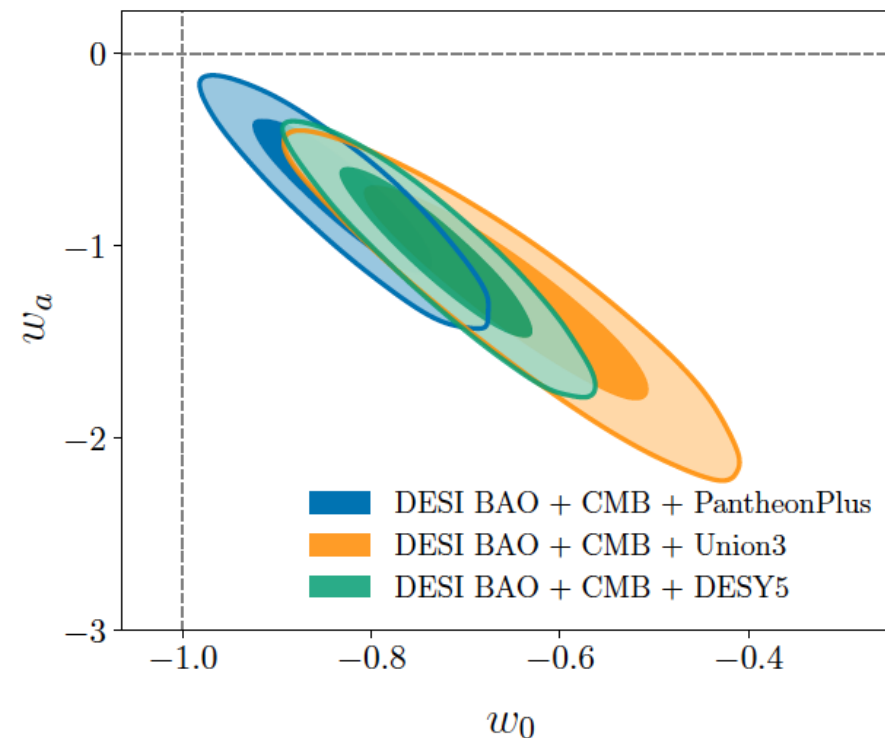
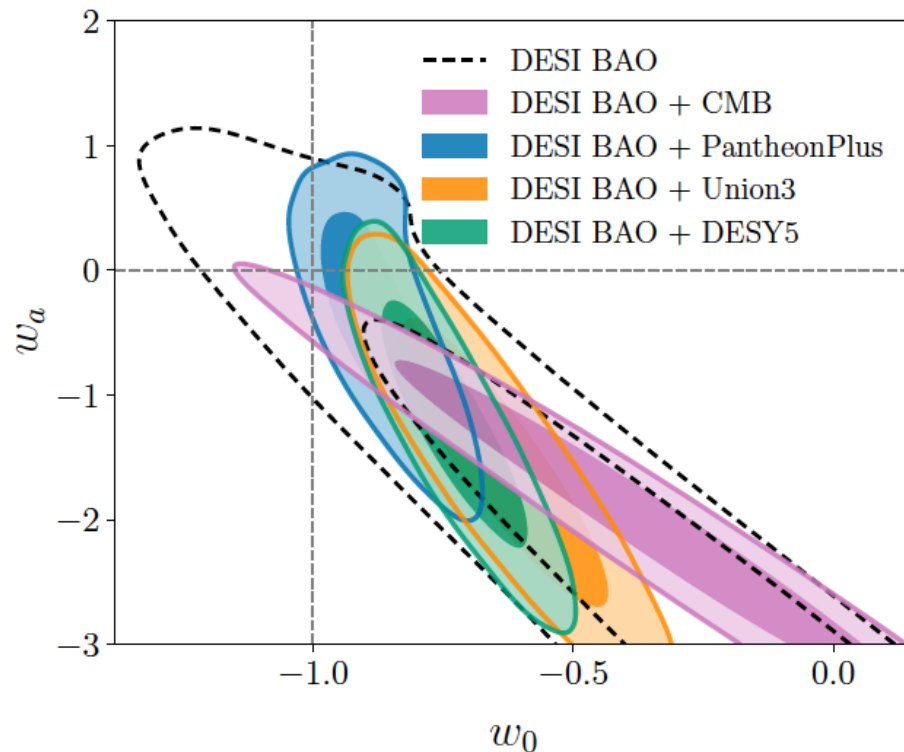
- Joint WST+ $\xi(r)$  analysis allows simultaneous constraints on 4 extensions to  $\Lambda$ CDM
- $1\sigma$  consistency with  $\Lambda$ CDM limits

$$w_0 = -1, w_a = 0, a_{\text{run}} = 0, N_{\text{eff}} = 3.046$$



	Joint 2-point c.f.+WST	
	Best-fit	Mean $\pm\sigma$
$\omega_b$	0.02280	$0.02273^{+0.00036}_{-0.00036}$
$\omega_c$	0.1227	$0.1239^{+0.0056}_{-0.0056}$
$\sigma_8$	0.748	$0.751^{+0.034}_{-0.040}$
$n_s$	0.928	$0.953^{+0.022}_{-0.030}$
$h$	0.675	$0.671^{+0.021}_{-0.021}$
$a_{\text{run}}$	0.002	$0.004^{+0.019}_{-0.012}$
$N_{\text{eff}}$	3.048	$3.23^{+0.26}_{-0.26}$
$w_0$	-1.039	$-0.995^{+0.061}_{-0.073}$
$w_a$	0.29	$0.17^{+0.24}_{-0.21}$

# DESI Year 1 BAO analysis

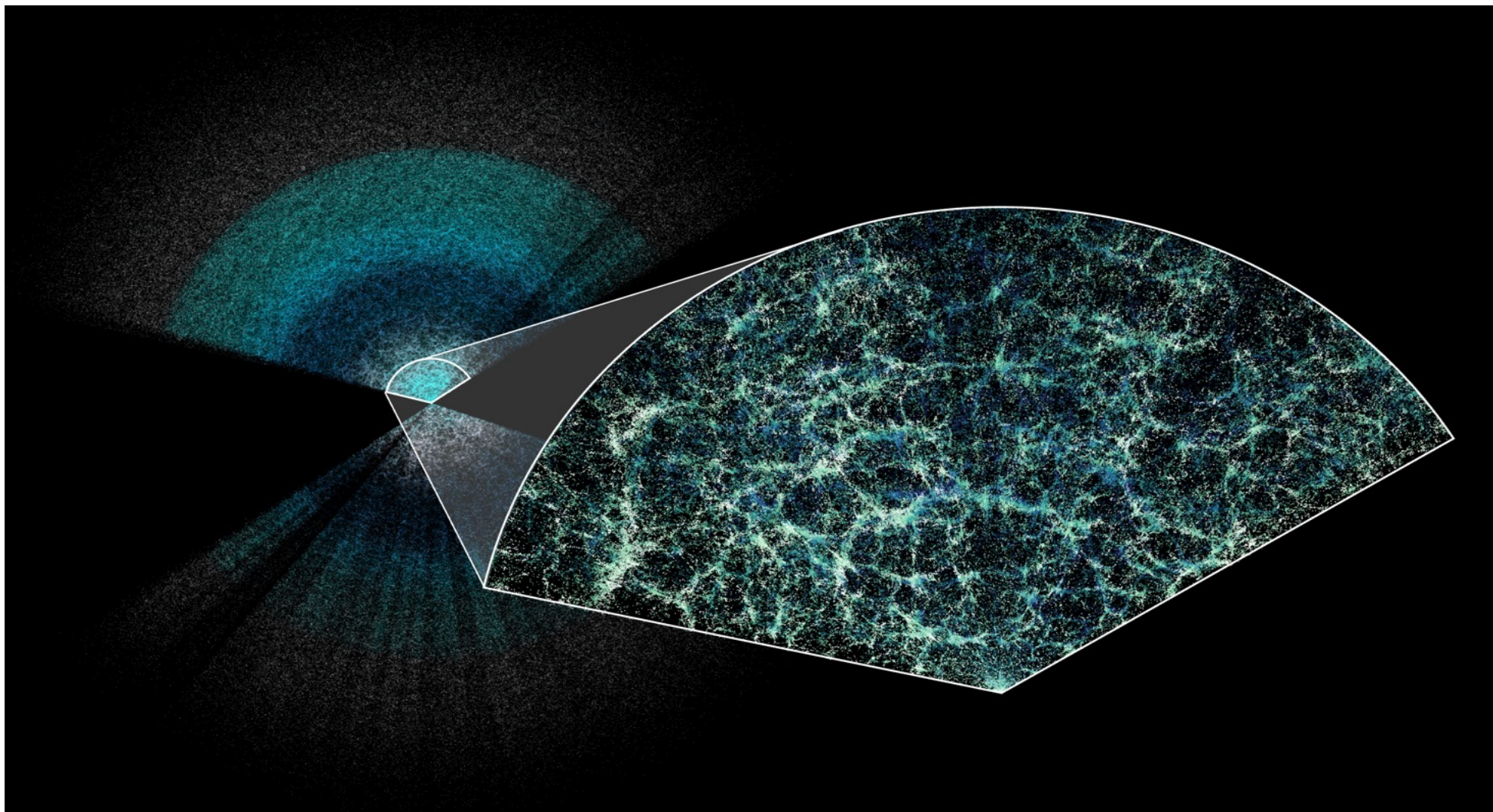


See Hector's talk earlier today

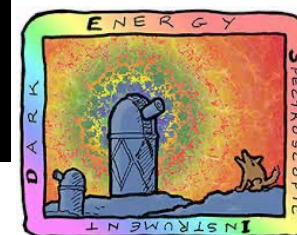
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# WST application to DESI Year 1 data!

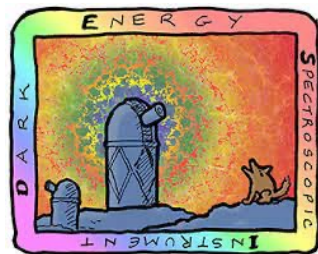
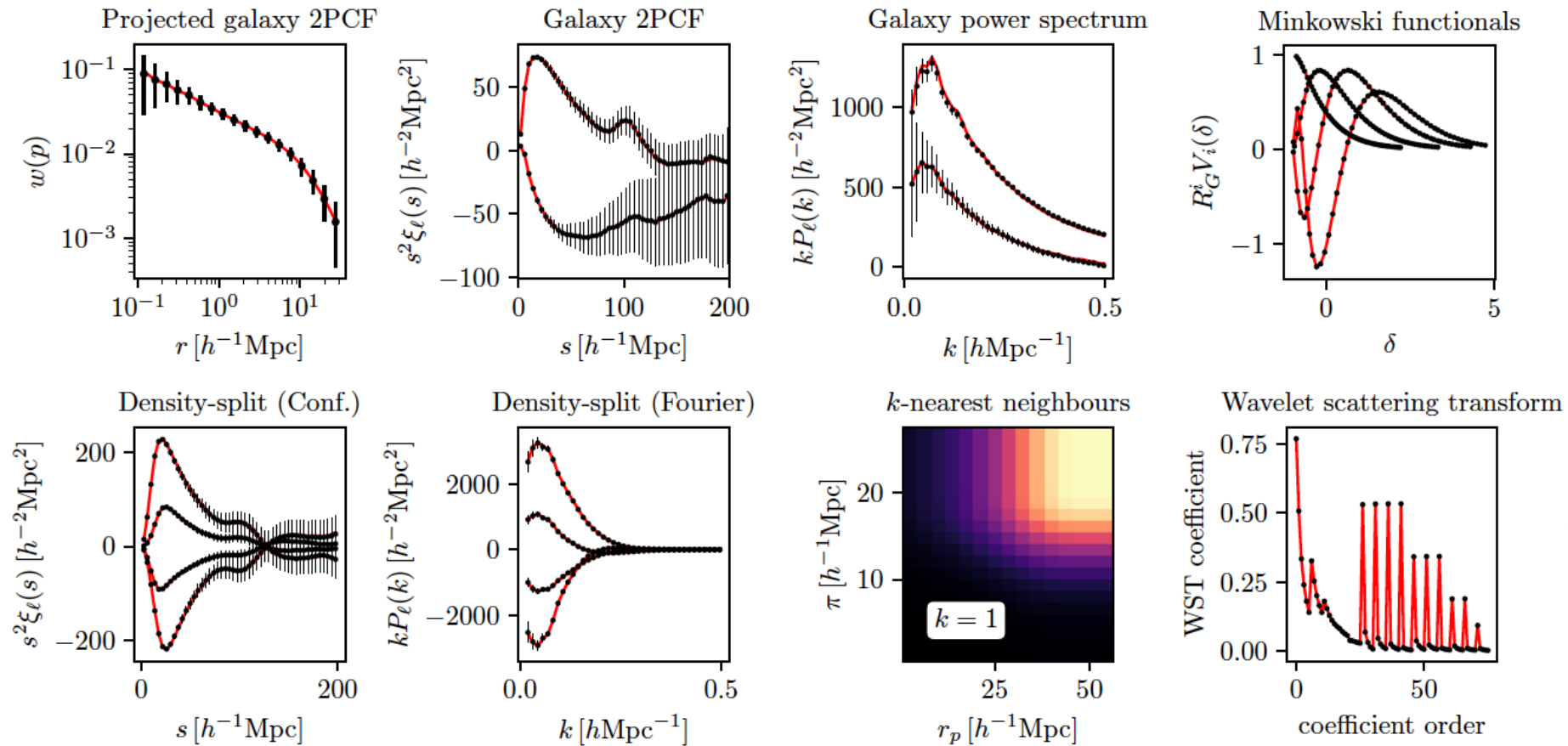


Credit: Claire Lamman & Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI)





## Alternative Summary Statistics in DESI: Intense activity aiming to fully utilize the constraining power of DESI Y1 data and beyond



Plot credit: Enrique Paillas & Carolina Cuesta-Lazaro



- Wavelet Scattering Transform: a novel statistic that efficiently extracts non-Gaussian information from physical fields. *Ideal* middle ground between CNN and traditional estimators
- First WST application to actual spectroscopic data (Valogiannis et al., [arXiv: 2310.16116](#), [Phys. Rev. D 109, 103503, 2024](#), Valogiannis & Dvorkin, [arXiv: 2204.13717](#), [Phys. Rev. D 105, 103534, 2022](#))
  - Worked with BOSS CMASS galaxy sample at  $0.46 < z < 0.57$
  - **Substantial** improvement in the  $1\sigma$  errors over traditional galaxy  $\xi(r)$  multipoles
- Ongoing & future improvements (in progress)
  - Can more accurately capture lightcone evolution, fiber collision/systematic effects in galaxy mocks (See talks by Rongpu, Tanveer and discussion section later today!)
  - Design wavelets tailored for cosmological/RSD applications (public package under construction!)
  - Blind mock challenges (see talks this week by Gillian, Elisabeth)
- Future applications
  - Application to DESI (& Euclid)
  - Constrain neutrino mass (Eg. as in **Valogiannis & Dvorkin, [arXiv: 2108.07821](#), [Phys. Rev. D 105, 103534, 2022](#)**)
  - Constrain fundamental physics (theories of gravity (in prep), primordial non-Gaussianity, parity violation)
  - Weak lensing & cross-correlations (HSC, DES, future applications to Rubin LSST & Euclid)
  - Recent applications also to Lyman- $\alpha$ , 21 cm cosmology, axion string-induced effects



**Thank you!**