



Bayesian field-level inference of primordial non-Gaussianity using next-generation galaxy surveys

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Cosmological context: current paradigm



Inflation Accelerated expansion of the Universe

We want physics here

13.8 billion years



The present Universe

We observe here

Image credit: Planck collaboration

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Formation of light and matter

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Light and matter are coupled

Dark matter evolves independently: it starts clumping and forming a web of structures

Light and matter Dark ages separate Atoms start feeling

separate Atoms start feeling • Protons and electrons form atoms cosmic web of dark

 Light starts travelling freely: it will become the Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB)
 matter First stars

The first stars and galaxies form in the densest knots of the cosmic web Galaxy evolution

The present Universe

Dynamical evolution of the universe from first instant to present time Causality

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Bayesian Physical forward modeling

• Field-level inference

- Beyond summary statistics
- Beyond random realizations

Causal inference

- Beyond associative analyses
- Easier to incorporate systematic effects than on summaries
- Harder to separate model misspecifications

• Non-linear and dynamical inference

- Beyond linear structure growth
- Redshift Distortions
- Light-Cone effects



A simplified summary of the procedure



BORG: A large scale MCMC framework

- BORG's MCMC framework allows building flexible data models
 - Hierarchical Bayes and block sampling
 - Efficient Hamiltonian Monte Carlo (HMC) technique
 - Fully differentiable physics forward model



Inferring f_{NL} with field level inference



$\Phi_{\rm primord} = \phi_g + f_{\rm NL} \left(\phi_g^2 - \langle \phi_g^2 \rangle \right)$

Other generators in Scoccimarro et al. (2012)



Different choice possible:

- Log transform
- nLPT (1LPT, 2LPT)
- Quantum LPT (Uhlemann et al. 2019)
- PM-COLA (Tassev et al. 2013)
- LPT+Emulator (BORG-EMU, Jamieson et al. 2023, Doeser et al. 2024)
- Zoom-PM (Wempe et al. 2024 in prep)

For this work, we use 2LPT



Scale dependent bias

$$\rho_g = \bar{N} \left[1 + b_1 \delta_m + b_\phi f_{\rm NL} \phi_g^q \right]$$

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Dalal et al. (2008), Slosar et al. (2008)

Advantages:

Reproduce phenomenology Easy to implement Relates to work on perturbation theory

Disadvantages:

Harder to work on real data Limited spatial resolution of the model Choice of dark matter / galaxy relation (2) : impact of choices of $b\Phi$ / b1 relation

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f_{NL}=50, b₁=2.15

Choice of dark matter / galaxy relation (3): further improvements

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$$\rho_g = \bar{N} \left[1 + b_1 \delta_m + b_\phi f_{\rm NL} \phi_g^q \right] \qquad b_\phi = 2\delta_c (b_1 - p)$$

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Scale dependent bias (higher-order, Andrews et al in prep.)

$$\rho_g = \bar{N} \left[1 + \frac{b_1}{2} \delta_m + \frac{b_2}{2} \delta_m^2 + \frac{b_K}{K} K^2 + \frac{b_\phi}{M} f_{\rm NL} \phi_g^q + \frac{b_{\phi,\delta}}{\delta} f_{\rm NL} \delta_m \phi_g^q \right]$$

Lazeyras et al. (2021), Barreira et al. (2021)

PineTree model (Ding et al. in prep)

see later





Andrews et al. (2023, 2024 in prep)

Test setup (mock data): visibility mask & radial selection







Self consistent mock data



Inferred maps with mock setup



Inferred f_{NL} for reference run (mock-BOSS survey)



Reported forecast for BOSS and BOSS-like data (p=1)



k_{max} = 0.05 h/Mpc

Lazeyras et al. (2023)

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Reported constraints on f_{NI} in BOSS data (p=1)



k_{max} = 0.05 h/Mpc

Inferred f_{NL} for reference run (Stage-IV survey)



p=1 fixed, k_{max} = 0.2 h/Mpc

Forecast error to Stage-4 experiment



Relation to galaxy bias parameters





Forecast error for Euclid-like experiment



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Improving Galaxy/Dark matter connection

PineTree & CHARM (ex-NPE = Neural Physical Engine) (S. Ding, S. Pandey, T. Charnock)





Ding et al (in prep), Pandey et al. (2024), Charnock et al 2020²⁵

PineTree: Physical and Interpretable NEtworks for TRacer Estimation/Emulation



overdensity field

PineTree forward model

halo catalogue





- Computed 40 N-body simulations
 - 500 Mpc/h, 512³ particles
 - \circ m_p = 3 x 10¹² M_o
- Training on:
 - baseline: one simulation
 - extended: 10 for training and 30 for validation
- Ideally: no training at all!

First look: mass function and halo field correlation



Preliminary

Second look: n(M), power spectra, bi-spectra



Ding et al. (in prep. 2024) 29

Preliminary

Effect of resolution on power spectrum

Increasing resolution





Increasing mass

Ding et al. (in prep. 2024)

Impact of kernel size on summaries / Information content





Summary & Outlook

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Future:

• Inference on large galaxy catalogs (notably Euclid)