Revealing the information content of galaxy *n*-point functions with simulation-based inference

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Initial conditions of the Universe time

(Slice of 3D field)



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Cosmological parameters $\boldsymbol{\theta}$



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Inferring the cosmological parameters: standard techniques & challenges

Observation



inference



theory(θ)

Bayesian inference



Prior

Bayesian inference



Posterior Likelihoo
$$\mathcal{P}(oldsymbol{ heta}|\mathbf{D}) \propto \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{D}|$$

E.g., assuming that the data vector is Gaussian distributed:

$$-2\ln \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{D}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = (\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{T}(\boldsymbol{\theta}))$$

Prior od $oldsymbol{ heta})\pi$ $(\boldsymbol{\theta})$





P(k) power spectrum

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The EFTofLSS: our theory for galaxy clustering

The EFTofLSS

"coarse-graining"

$$\delta^{(1)}_{\Lambda}(oldsymbol{k}) = W_{\Lambda}(k)\delta^{(1)}(oldsymbol{k})$$





Borrowed from Pierre Zhang

Dodelson & Schmidt Modern Cosmology 2020

$$\delta_g(\boldsymbol{k}, z) = \delta_{g, \text{det}}(\boldsymbol{k}, z) + \delta_{g, \text{stoch}}(\boldsymbol{k}, z)$$



Cooray & Sheth (2002)

Time



$$\delta_{g}(\boldsymbol{k}, z) = \delta_{g, \det}(\boldsymbol{k}, z) + \delta_{g, \operatorname{stoch}}(\boldsymbol{k}, z) \qquad \operatorname{Time} \\ = \sum_{O} b_{O}(z)O(\boldsymbol{k}, z) + \varepsilon(\boldsymbol{k}, z) \\ [b_{O}] \qquad \operatorname{Free \ bias}_{parameters} \\ O[\delta](\boldsymbol{k}) = \int_{\boldsymbol{p}_{1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{p}_{n}} \delta_{D}(\boldsymbol{k} - \boldsymbol{p}_{1\dots n}) \underbrace{S_{O}(\boldsymbol{p}_{1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{p}_{n})}_{operator "convolution"} \delta(\boldsymbol{p}_{1}) \cdots \delta(\boldsymbol{p}_{n}) \\ \hline \end{array}$$



$$\begin{split} \delta_g(\boldsymbol{k},z) &= \delta_{g,\text{det}}(\boldsymbol{k},z) + \delta_{g,\text{stoch}}(\boldsymbol{k},z) \\ &= \sum_O b_O(z)O(\boldsymbol{k},z) + \varepsilon(\boldsymbol{k},z) \\ &\langle \varepsilon(\boldsymbol{k},z)\varepsilon(\boldsymbol{k}',z)\rangle' \propto \sigma_{\varepsilon}^2(k) \\ &\sigma_{\varepsilon}(k) = \overline{\sigma_{\varepsilon,0}} \left[1 + \overline{\sigma_{\varepsilon,k^2}}k^2\right] \\ & \quad \mathbf{Free \ stochastic} \\ & \quad \mathbf{parameters} \quad \left\{ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\varepsilon} \right\} \end{split}$$



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$$\{\boldsymbol{\theta}, \{b_O\}, \{\sigma_{\varepsilon}\}\}$$



Time

Case study: inferring the cosmological parameter σ_8

expansion

growth of structure $D'' + aHD' = 4\pi G\bar{\rho}D$



$T(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ $P_g(k) = \langle \delta_g(\boldsymbol{k}) \delta_g(\boldsymbol{k}') \rangle'$

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How to break this degenera



P(k) power spectrum

 $B(k_1,k_2,k_3)$ bispectrum

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Degeneracy breaking with bispectrum

 $B_g^{\text{tree}}(k_1, k_2, k_3) \supset b_1^2 \left[b_2 B_{\delta^2}(k_1, k_2, k_3) + 2b_{K^2} B_{K^2}(k_1, k_2, k_3) \right]$

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lapted from Desjacques, Jeong පී Schmidt (2016)



Increasing complexity



 $k_{\rm max} = 0.12 h \, {\rm Mpc}^{-1}$ $\Delta k = 2k_f$ $L = 2000 h^{-1} \mathrm{Mpc}$ **Increasing complexity**



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Part I

Simulation-based inference (SBI)

SBI: the main idea

 $\mathcal{P}(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{D}) \propto \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{b},\boldsymbol{\theta})\pi(\boldsymbol{\theta})$

 $\mathbf{T}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \sim \operatorname{simulator}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$






$$\{(\boldsymbol{\theta}_n, \mathbf{x}_n)\}_{n=1}^{N_{\mathrm{sim}}}$$



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Neural Posterior Estimation (NPE)



Posterior





 $q_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \longrightarrow \hat{p}(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{x}_o) \propto q_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_o|\boldsymbol{\theta})p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$

How to train the model? (For example, NLE)

 $\mathcal{L} = \mathbb{E}_{p(\theta)} \left[D_{\mathrm{KL}} \left[p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) || q_{\boldsymbol{\phi}}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \right] \right]$

loss function

target density

neural network trainable parameters

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 $\boldsymbol{\vartheta} \int d\mathbf{x} \, p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \, \log\left(\frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}{q_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}\right)$

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target density
neural network
trainable parameters
$$\int d\boldsymbol{\theta} \ d\mathbf{x} \ p(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \int d\boldsymbol{\theta} \ d\mathbf{x} \ p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{x}) = p$$

 $\int d\mathbf{x} \, p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \, \log\left(\frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}{q_{\boldsymbol{\phi}}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}\right)$ $p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{x}) \log \left(\frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}{a(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})} \right)$



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$$= \int d\boldsymbol{\theta} \ d\mathbf{x} \ p(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -\mathbb{E}_{m}(\boldsymbol{\theta} \ \mathbf{x}) \left[d\boldsymbol{\theta} \right]$$

 $\int d\mathbf{x} \, p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \, \log\left(\frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}{q_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}\right)$ $p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{x}) \log \left(\frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}{q_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})} \right)$ $\mathbb{E}_{p(\boldsymbol{\theta},\mathbf{x})}[\log q_{\boldsymbol{\phi}}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})] + \text{const.}$

the loss function we wish to minimize is independent of the target density form!

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Normalizing Flows





Tucci, Schmidt (2023)



Normalizing Flows



Tucci, Schmidt (2023)

$$q_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{z}_{0}|\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}) \prod_{t=1}^{T} \left| \det \left(\frac{\partial f_{t}}{\partial \mathbf{z}_{t-1}} \right) \right|^{-1}$$



Credits: Miles Cranmer



data

Simulation-based inference for galaxy clustering





On the Gaussianity assumption of the n-point functions



On the Gaussianity assumption of the n-point functions



breaking of central limit theorem on large scales induces deviation from the Gaussian likelihood assumption!

On the Gaussianity assumption of the n-point functions





The forward model based on the EFTofLSS & the bias expansion



- A **fast** forward model based on the EFTofLSS that solves the gravitational evolution of all modes in a lattice up to the cutoff scale
- nLPT and incorporates bias and stochastic parameters, marginalizing over reasonable models of galaxy formation
- Easier to deal with redshift space, masks and systematic effects



The forward model



An n-th order Lagrangian Forward Model for Large-Scale Structure Schmidt (2021)



sample from field-level Likelihood



Testing SBI on Euclid-like mock data Breaking degeneracy between σ_8 and bias parameters with the galaxy power-spectrum and bispectrum

Tucci & Schmidt (2024) **JCAP**

Cosmological constraints

 $N_{\rm sim} = 10^5$ $k_{\rm max} = \Lambda = 0.1 h {\rm Mpc}^{-1}$ $D = N_{\rm bin} + N_{\rm tri} = 33$



Gaussian-likelihood

 $\frac{\text{mple covariance}}{\text{alvtical covariance}} \stackrel{\text{mple covariance}}{\rightarrow} \mathbf{x}_n \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\langle \mathbf{x}_n \rangle, \text{Cov}[\mathbf{x}_o]\right)$

Tests of inference

Simulation-based calibration





Convergence



SBI on dark-matter halos Breaking degeneracy between σ_8 and bias parameters with the galaxy power-spectrum and bispectrum

Nguyen, Schmidt, **Tucci** et al. (2024) PRL (accepted)

Inference setup: halo samples

	SNG	
Redshift	z = 0.50	
$V[h^{-3}\mathrm{Mpc}^3]$	2000^{3}	
$\bar{n}_g \left[h^3 \mathrm{Mpc}^{-3} \right]$	1.3×10^{-3}	

Two scale cuts:

 $k_{\rm max} = 0.1 h {\rm Mpc}^{-1} \ \mathcal{C} \ k_{\rm max} = 0.12 h {\rm Mpc}^{-1}$

Uchuu
$$z = 1.03$$

 2000^{3}
 3.6×10^{-3}

SBI on halos



What if we add the galaxy **trispectrum**? Breaking degeneracy between σ_8 and bias parameters with power-spectrum, bispectrum and trispectrum on dark-matter halos

Tucci & Schmidt (in prep.)

Trispectrum: the estimator



Jung+23, Coulton+23, Goldstein+24

Trispectrum: **preliminary** results



 $k_{\rm max} = 0.1 h \, {\rm Mpc}^{-1}$

Uchuu halos at z=1

Brute force approach: 10⁶ simulations



SBI with LEFTfield: Conclusions

- Robust analysis with EFTofLSS and bias expansion
- LEFTfield allows for **fast** analysis in **cosmological volumes** with convergence and posterior **diagnostics** tests
- Need order of 10⁵ simulations for convergence (investigating how we can improve that)
- SBI allows for cosmological inference using trispectrum, which is unfeasible with standard inference techniques
- No need to assume Gaussian likelihood, explicit loop or covariance calculations

Inferring the cosmological parameters: challenges





Inferring the cosmological parameters: challenges



is there a better way?

Part II

Field-level Bayesian inference (FBI)

FBI: the main idea

Observation






Credits: Julia Stadler

$\stackrel{\rm EFT}{\longrightarrow}$ likelihood

Field level Likelihood

$$\ln \mathcal{L}\left(\delta_{g}^{\text{obs}} | \delta_{g,\text{det}}[\boldsymbol{\theta}, \delta_{\Lambda}^{(1)}, \{b_{O}\}], \{\sigma_{\varepsilon}\}\right) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k < k_{\text{max}}} \left[\frac{1}{\sigma_{\varepsilon}^{2}(k)} \left| \delta_{g}^{\text{obs}}(\boldsymbol{k}) - \delta_{g,\text{det}}[\boldsymbol{\theta}, \delta_{\Lambda}^{(1)}, \{b_{O}\}](\boldsymbol{k}) \right|^{2} + \ln[2\pi\sigma_{\varepsilon}^{2}(k)] \right]$$

$$+ \text{MMC}$$

$$\mathcal{P}\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \delta_{\Lambda}^{(1)}, \{b_O\}, \{\sigma_{\varepsilon}\} \middle| \delta_g^{\mathrm{obs}}
ight)$$

Full posterior including initial conditions!



Mode by mode data and theory comparison!

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- How much information is retained at the galaxy density field? Breaking degeneracy between σ_8 and bias parameters on dark-matter halos
 - Nguyen, Schmidt, **Tucci** et al. (2024) PRL (accepted)



3rd order bias expansion

$$O_{\text{det}} \in \left[\delta, \delta^2, K^2, \delta^3, K^3, \delta K^2, O_{\text{td}}, \nabla^2 \delta\right]$$
$$O_{\text{stoch}} \in \left[\varepsilon, \nabla^2 \varepsilon\right]$$





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Apples-to-apples comparison



Same halos Same scale cuts

A lot of reliable information at the field-level!

SNG halos



3.5 improvement factor!







Uchuu

On the Bispectrum stochasticity

Perturbation Theory

 $\langle \delta_g(k_1)\delta_g(k_2)\delta_g(k_3) \rangle_{\text{stoch}}^{'\text{LO}} = B_{\varepsilon} + 2b_1 P_{\varepsilon\varepsilon\delta}(P_{\mathrm{m}}(k_1) + 2 \text{ perm.})$

Forward Model with Non-Gaussian Noise

$$\langle \delta_g(k_1) \delta_g(k_2) \delta_g(k_3) \rangle_{\text{stoch}}^{'\text{LO}} = 6c_{\varepsilon}^{\text{NG}} P_{\varepsilon}^2 + 2b_1 P_{\varepsilon} \sigma_{\varepsilon\delta} (P_{\text{m}}(k_1)$$

 $\delta_g(\mathbf{x},\tau) = \delta_{g,\text{det}}(\mathbf{x},\tau) + \varepsilon(\mathbf{x},\tau) + \sigma_{\varepsilon\delta}(\tau)\varepsilon(\mathbf{x},\tau)\delta(\mathbf{x},\tau) + c_{\varepsilon}^{\text{NC}}$



+2 perm.)

$$\mathcal{G}(\tau)\varepsilon^2(\mathbf{x},\tau) \qquad \quad \varepsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0,\sigma_{\varepsilon}^2)$$



What if we add the **trispectrum**?

Tucci & Schmidt (in prep.)

Trispectrum: **preliminary** results



 $k_{\rm max} = 0.1 h \, {\rm Mpc}^{-1}$

Uchuu halos at z=1

Brute force approach: 10⁶ simulations





Field-level inference of BAO scale Constraining the BAO scale with FBI

Babić, Schmidt & **Tucci** (2022) Babić, Schmidt & **Tucci** (2024)



Can we constrain the BAO scale with FBI?



$$\beta \equiv r_s/r_{\rm fid}$$



Ivana Babić (MPA)



Babić, Schmidt & <u>Tucci</u> (2022) Babić, Schmidt & <u>Tucci</u> (2024)

Conclusion & Next Steps

- We demonstrated to have **unbiased** and **accurate** results from halo catalogs using LEFTfield for SBI and FBI
- Apple-to-apple comparison of field-level inference and SBI shows that there is a lot of **reliable** information beyond 2+3(+4)-point functions in the 3D maps of galaxies

Next steps to connect with observations:

- Include more observational effects
- Expand the cosmological parameter space
- Explore summaries in SBI





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