Measuring Void dynamics through redshift space distortions in the SDSS galaxy distribution.

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"In so far as one denies what is one is possessed by what is not the compulsions the fantasies the terrors that flock to fill the void". — Ursula Le Guin

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Basic Framework

-The void hierarchy arises by matter assembly.

-The void dynamics exhibits two distinct behaviours: collapse and expansion.

-The phenomenon is well understood in theory: A PS formalism with two barriers describes well the VPF in simulations.

-There is very few studies of void expansion on real data.

-Voids have been used to constraint cosmological models.

Redshift space distortions





Redshift space distortions



$$\vec{r} \equiv (r_1, r_2, r_3)$$

$$\vec{w} = \Delta \vec{v}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{r_1^2 + r_2^2}$$

$$\pi = r_3 + w_3/H$$

$$r^2 = \sigma^2 + \left(\pi^2 - \frac{w_3}{H}\right)^2$$

SDSS void-galaxy correlations



Anisotropies arise from line-of-sight velocities

- → Void-finder Ceccarelli Padilla
- \rightarrow SDSS DR7 volume limited samples



Model for redshift space distortions

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(Maxwell-Boltzmann on a bulk flow).

$$g \rightarrow g\left(\vec{w} - \frac{\vec{r}}{r}v(r)\right)$$

$$f\left(w_3 - \frac{r_3}{r}v(r)\right) = \iint dw_1 dw_2 g\left(\vec{w} - \frac{\vec{r}}{r}v(r)\right)$$

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$$r_3 = \pi - w_3 / H$$

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Linear theory relates v with the overdensity inside of a sphere (Δ) (Yahil 1985)

$$v_3(r) = \frac{r_3}{r} v(r) \approx -100 r_3 \Delta(r) \frac{\Omega_m^{0.6}}{3}$$

 $\xi(r) = \frac{1}{3r^2} \frac{\mathrm{d}\Delta(r)}{\mathrm{d}r}$



Disentangling the velocity and the density field

Erf-Gauss 4 (2) parameter model for S-type (R-type) Voids



 $\frac{\xi(r)}{v(r)} \longleftrightarrow \Delta(r)$

Redshift correlation (RK6 int)

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Metropolis Hastings on SDSS data (MCMC)



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Metropolis Hastings on redshift data



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Testing the method on simulations





Intermediate size sample (10Mpc < Rvoid <12Mpc) Mock MCMC results over 3D Box distributions



Black line: Mock SDSS measurement

Red line: 3D-simulation sample median

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-We have developed a model for recover velocity and density profiles of voids from redshift space distortions.

-The model was successfully tested in LCDM simulations and SDSS mock catalogs.

-The SDSS results are in agreement with mock catalogs and simulations.

-The void environment plays a fundamental role in determining its dynamics.

