

Title: Searching for New Physics in the Late Universe With Millions of Galaxies in Millions of Dimensions - VIRTUAL ONLY

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Abstract: The growth of cosmic structures provides a bridge between observations and theories. In the first part of this talk, I will review the σ_8 tension between early- and late-time measurements of cosmic structure growth, and its physical implications. Are we seeing a chink in the standard cosmological model's armor? To unveil the origin of this tension (and possibly new physics in the late Universe), galaxy clustering and spectroscopic surveys will play an indispensable role. In the second part of the talk, I will introduce a novel framework to extract cosmological information from millions of galaxies in spectroscopic surveys, directly at the field level--i.e. the three-dimensional map level with millions of grid points. The goal is to achieve a percent-level constraint on σ_8 and growth of structure with stage-IV surveys like DESI. I will further discuss recent progress towards this goal, highlighting latest breakthroughs, results in a community data challenge, and remaining challenges.

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Searching for New Physics in the Late Universe

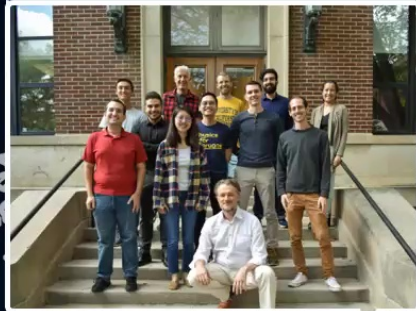
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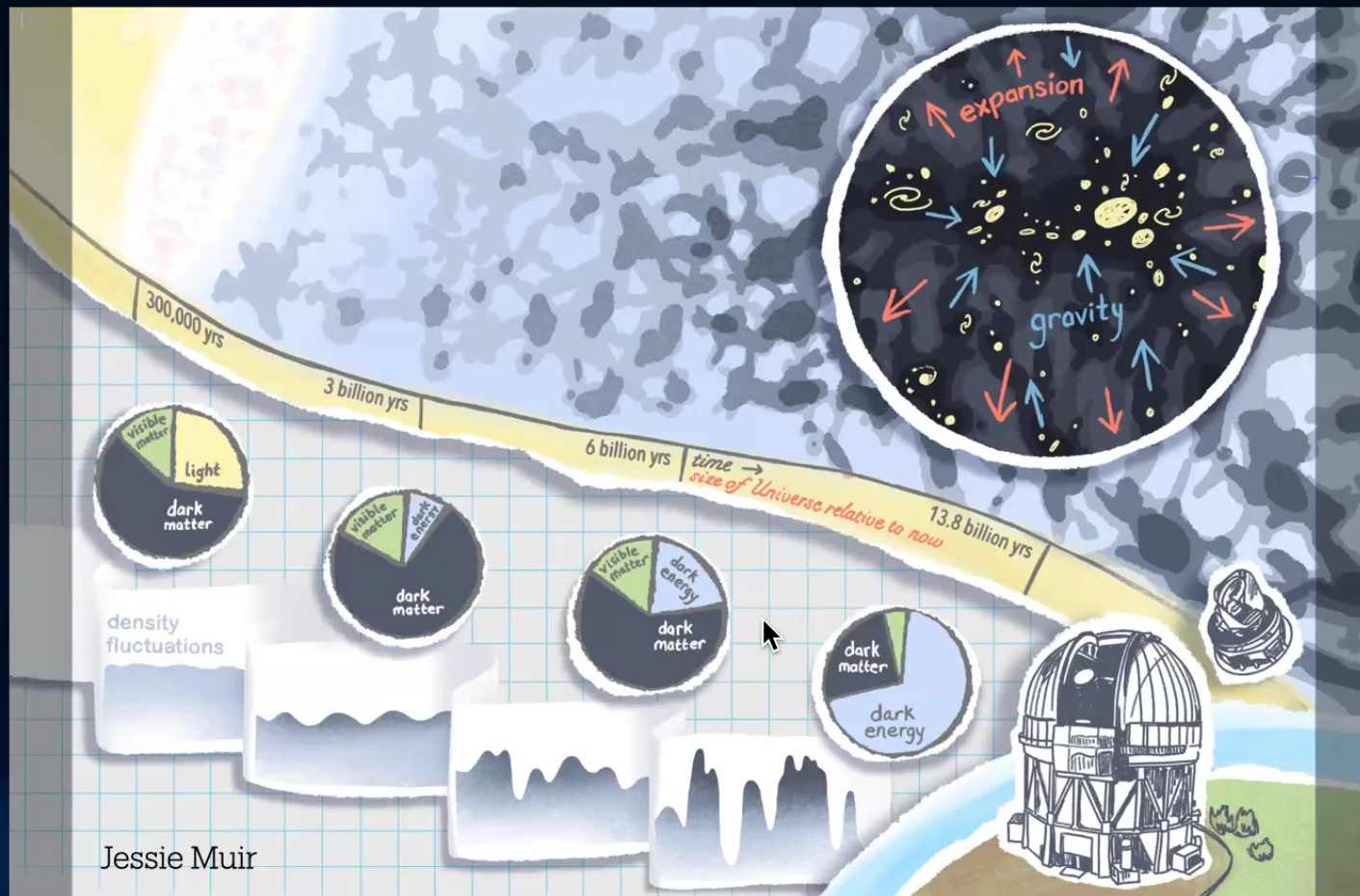
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Growth of Structure - σ_8 tension

Hints of new physics?

(arXiv: 2302.01331)

Growth of Structures and Density Fluctuations

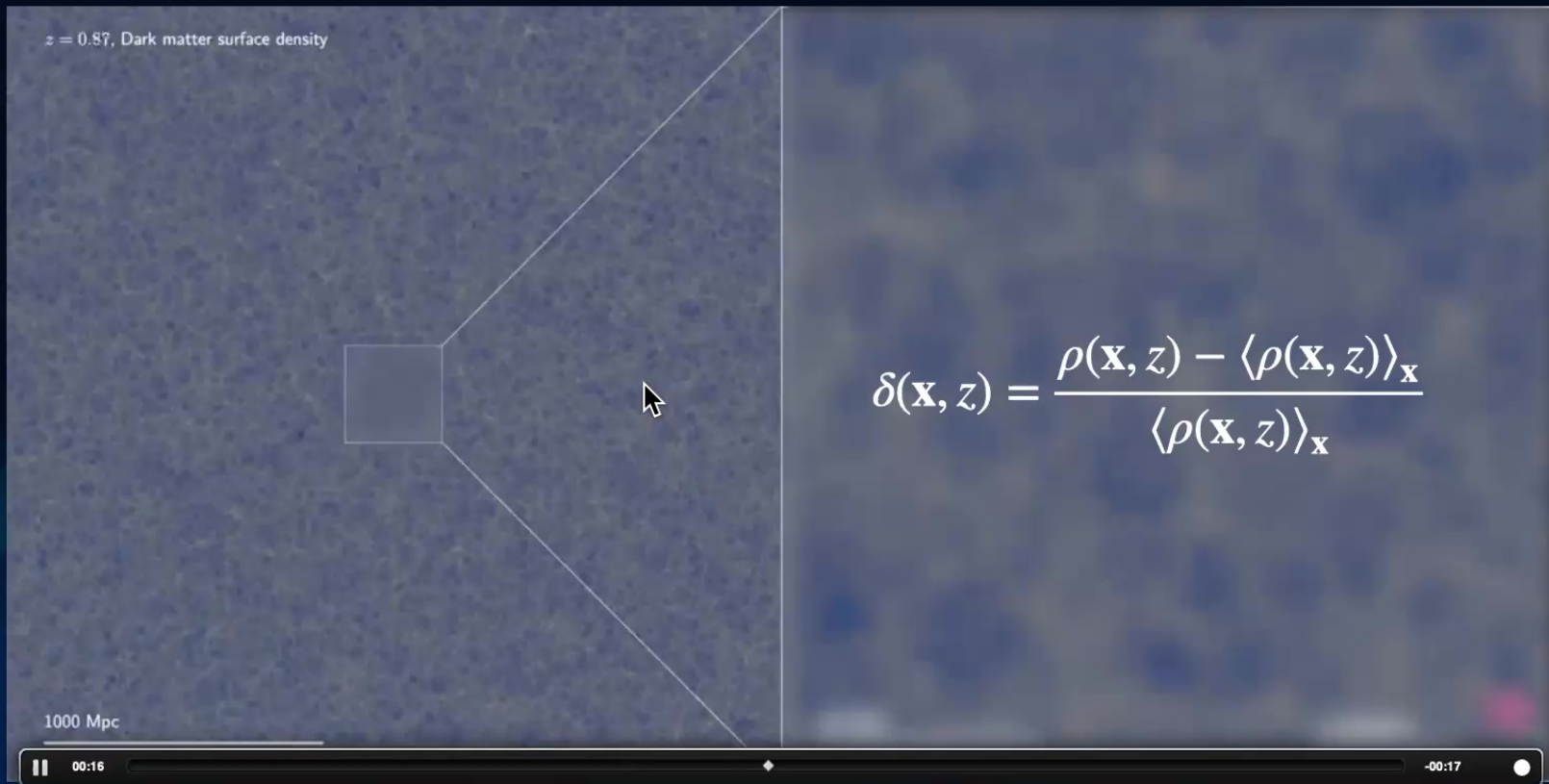


Growth - Simulation



Growth - Linear Theory

Linear fluctuations $\delta(\mathbf{k}, z) \sim \mathcal{N} \left(0, \mathbf{C} = \text{diag} [P_L(k, z)] \right)$

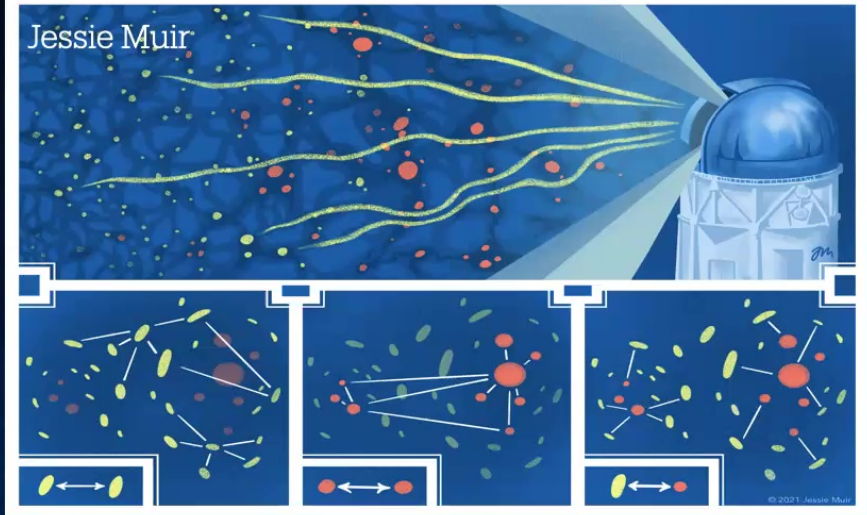
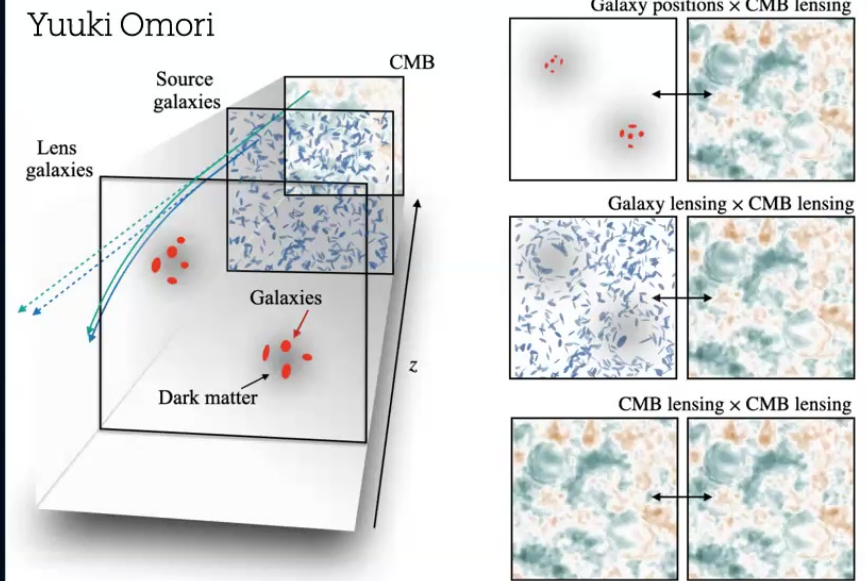


Growth - Extrapolation

Proxy for **today** growth

$$\sigma_8^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int dk k^2 P_L(k, z=0) W_{R=8h^{-1}\text{Mpc}}^2(k)$$

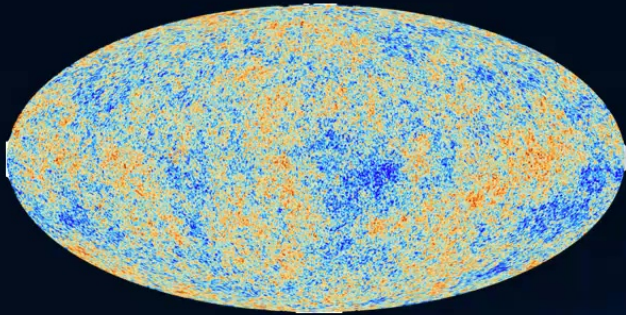
extrapolated
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snapshots of large-scale structure



Early Universe

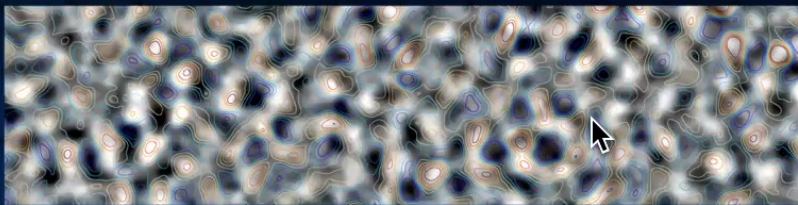
Early-time probes of growth

Cosmic Microwave Background

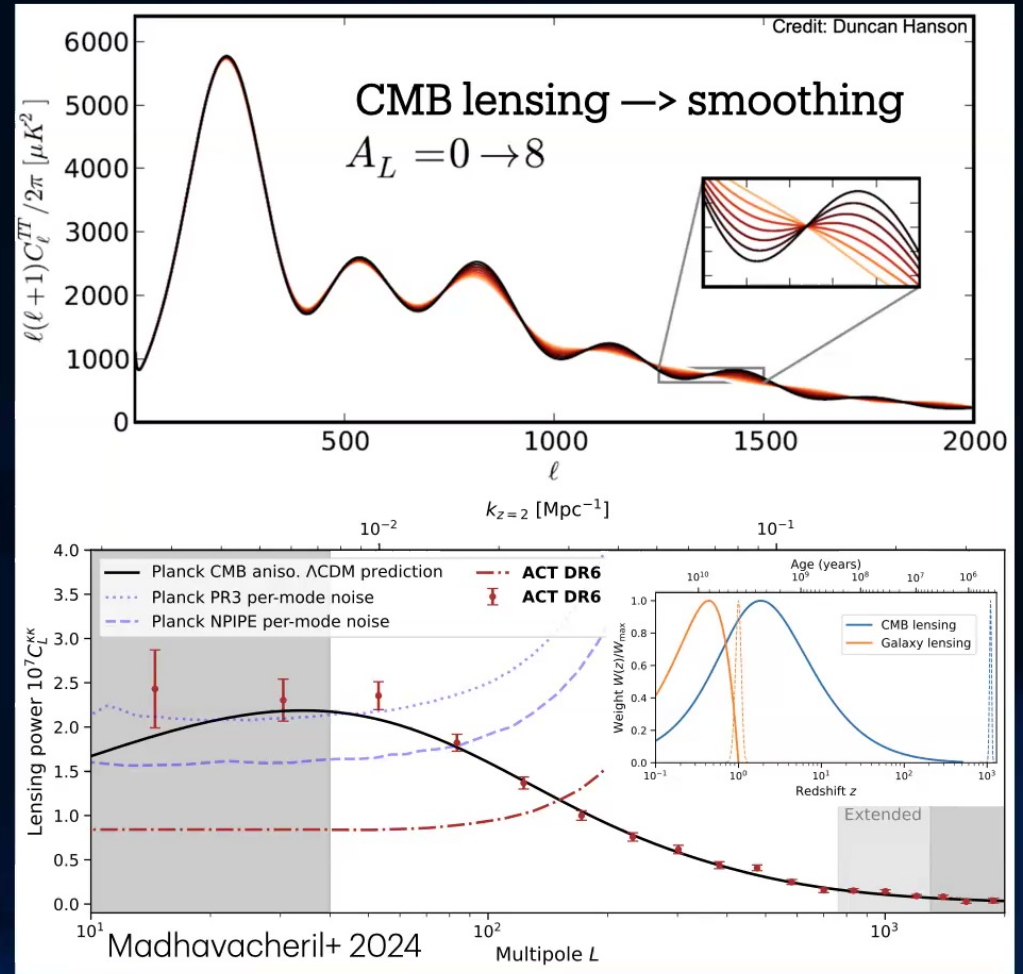


Planck PR3 temperature map

CMB weak gravitational lensing

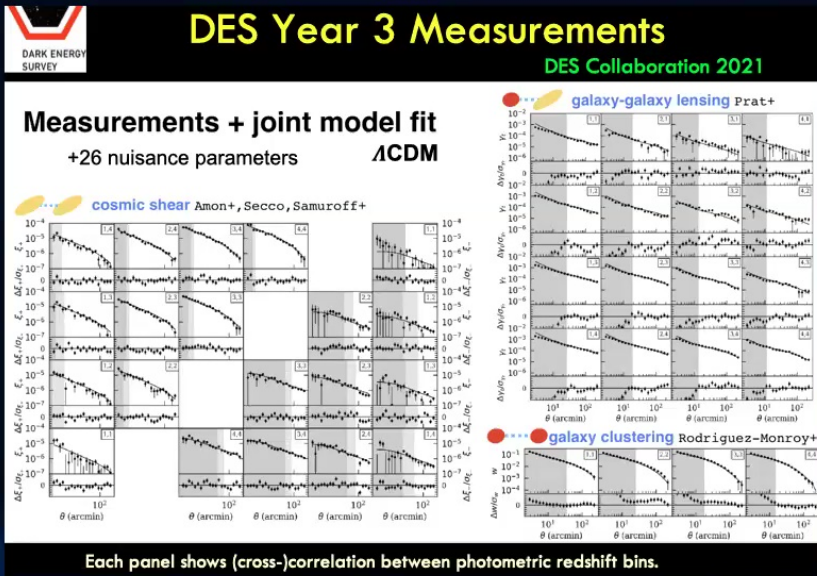


ACT DR6 CMB lensing mass map



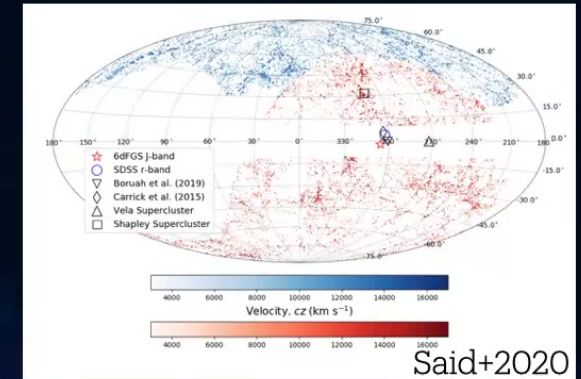
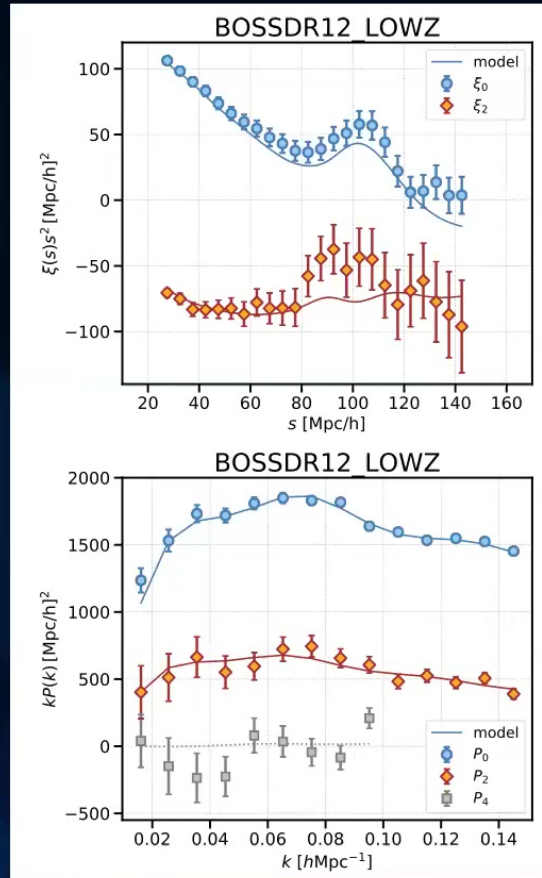
Late Universe

Late-time probes of growth



Galaxy photometric 3x2-point correlation (intermediate-late Universe)

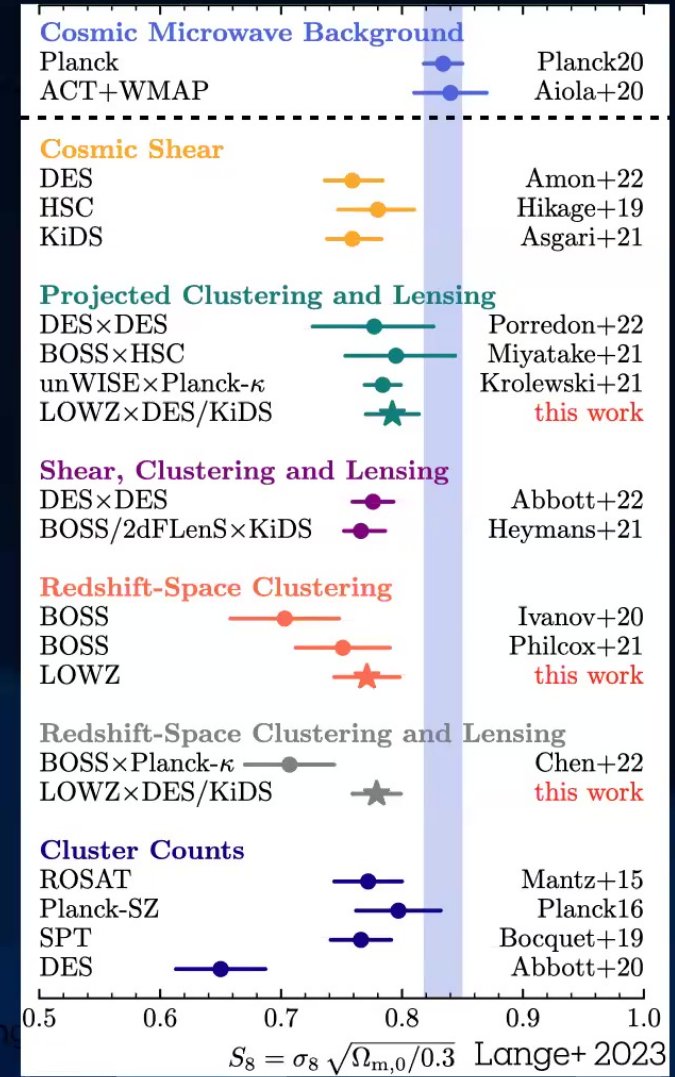
Galaxy clustering (late Universe)



Galaxy peculiar velocity (very late Universe)

Early- vs Late-time tension?

Discrepancy between
early- and late-time
measurements?
extrapolations
within Λ CDM.



Late-time growth suppression?

$3.7\sigma - 4.2\sigma$ evidence



1. Parametrize growth rate to separate growth-expansion

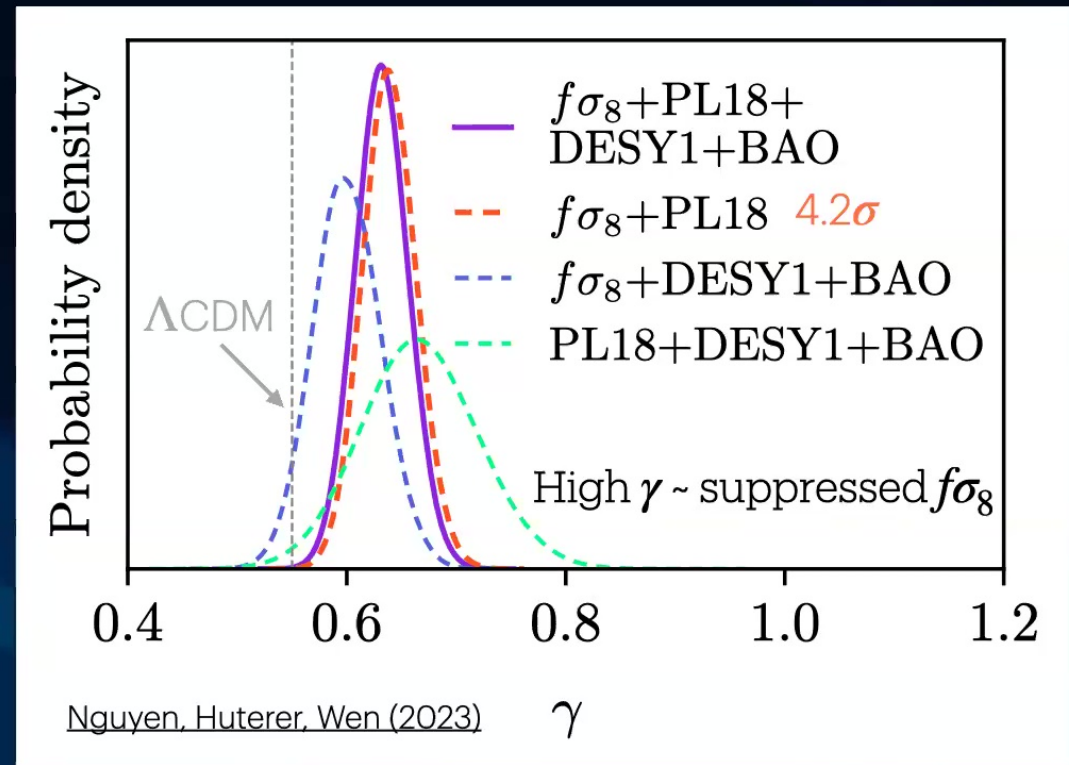
$$f(a) \equiv \frac{d \ln D}{d \ln a} = \Omega_m(a)^\gamma$$

2. Integrate to get growth factor

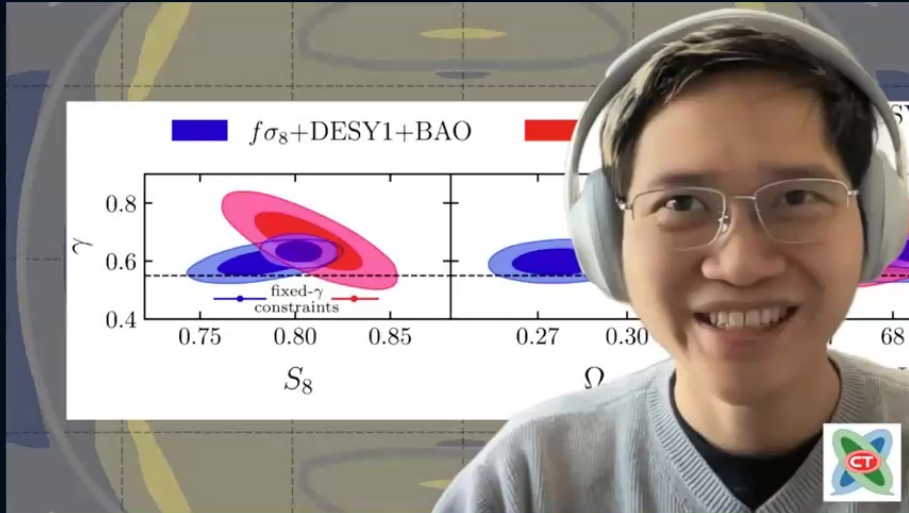
$$D(a) = \exp \left[\int_1^a d \ln a \Omega_m^\gamma(a) \right]$$

3. Rescale matter power spectrum

$$P_L(k, a) = P_{L, \text{today}}(k, a = 1) D^2(a)$$



Reception - Public vs Expert

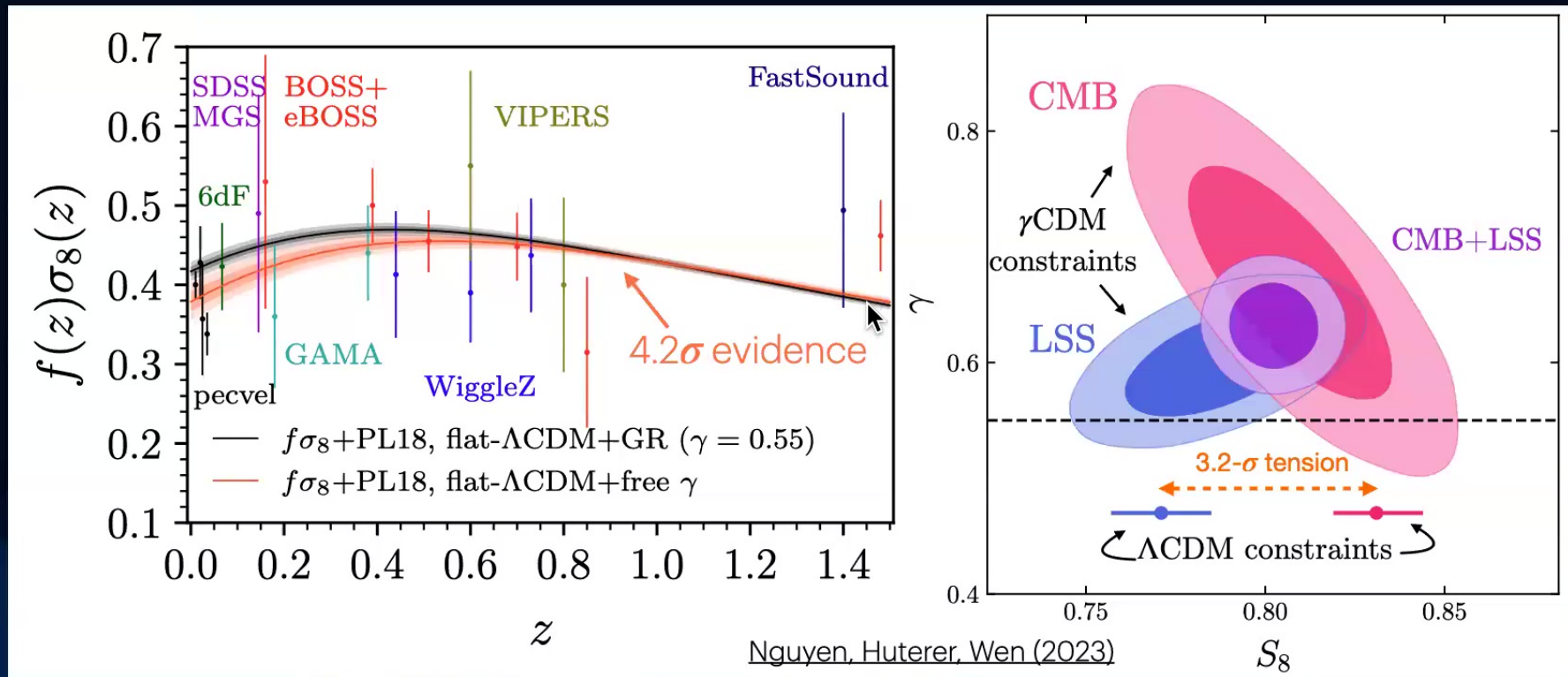


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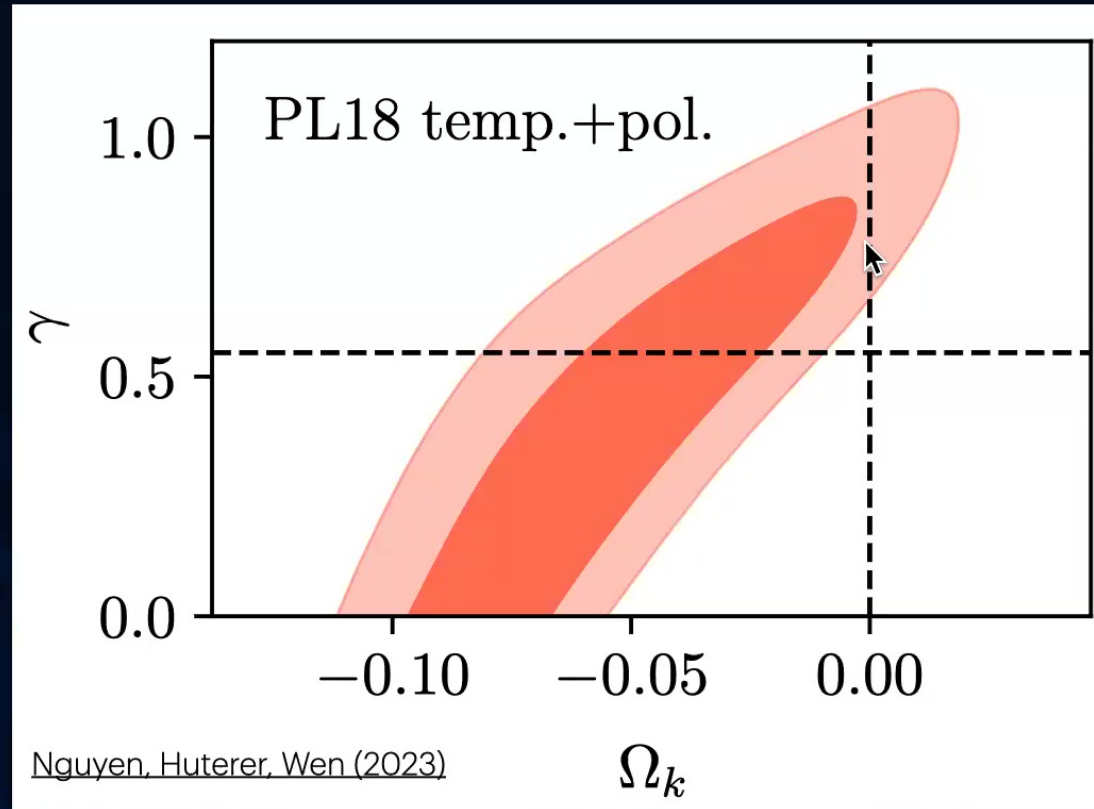
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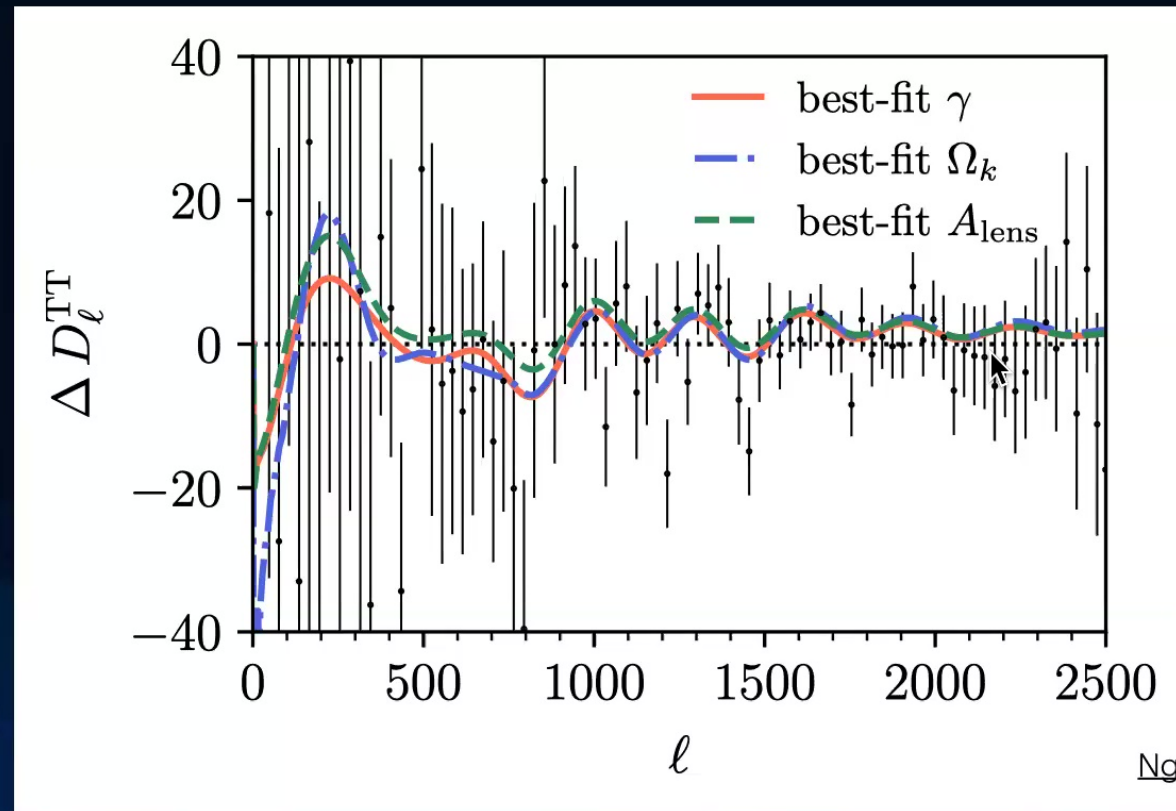
S_8 tension - a manifestation?



Planck Ω_k preference - another manifestation?



New physics or systematics?



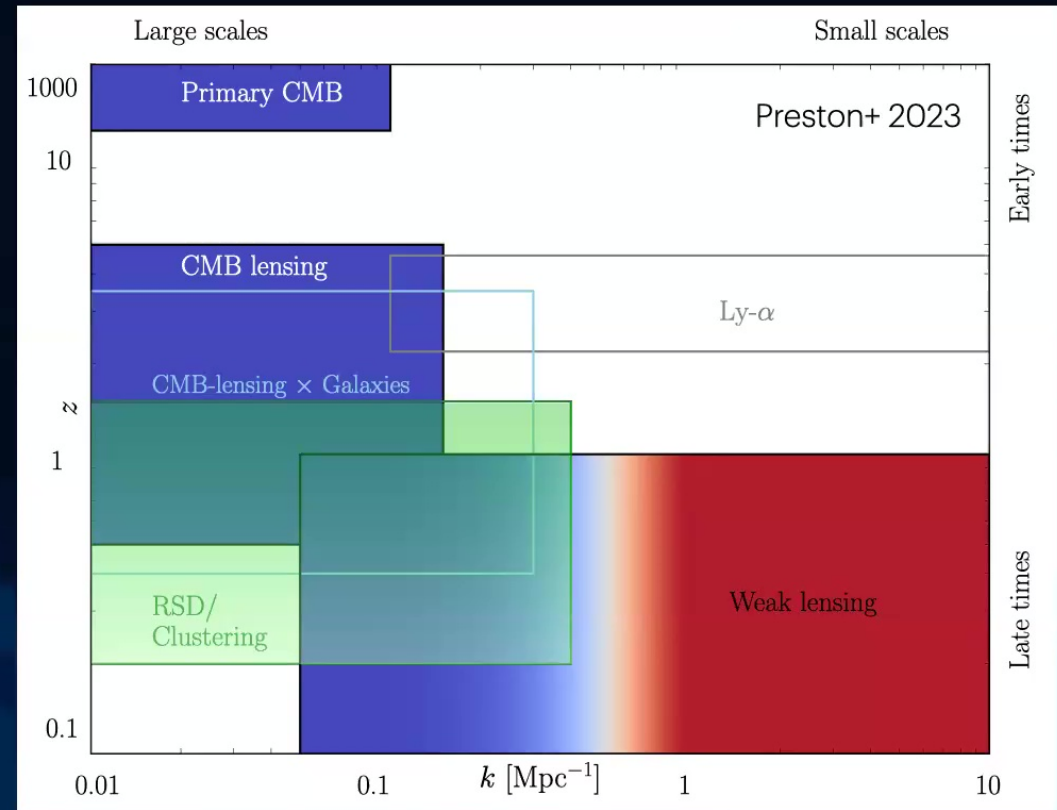
[Nguyen, Huterer, Wen \(2023\)](#)

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Early- vs Late-time or Large vs Small-scale?

Galaxy clustering to the rescue

1. New properties of DE, e.g. DM-DE
2. Modified gravity
3. Self-interacting/Decaying DM
4. Ultralight axions
5. Baryonic feedback?



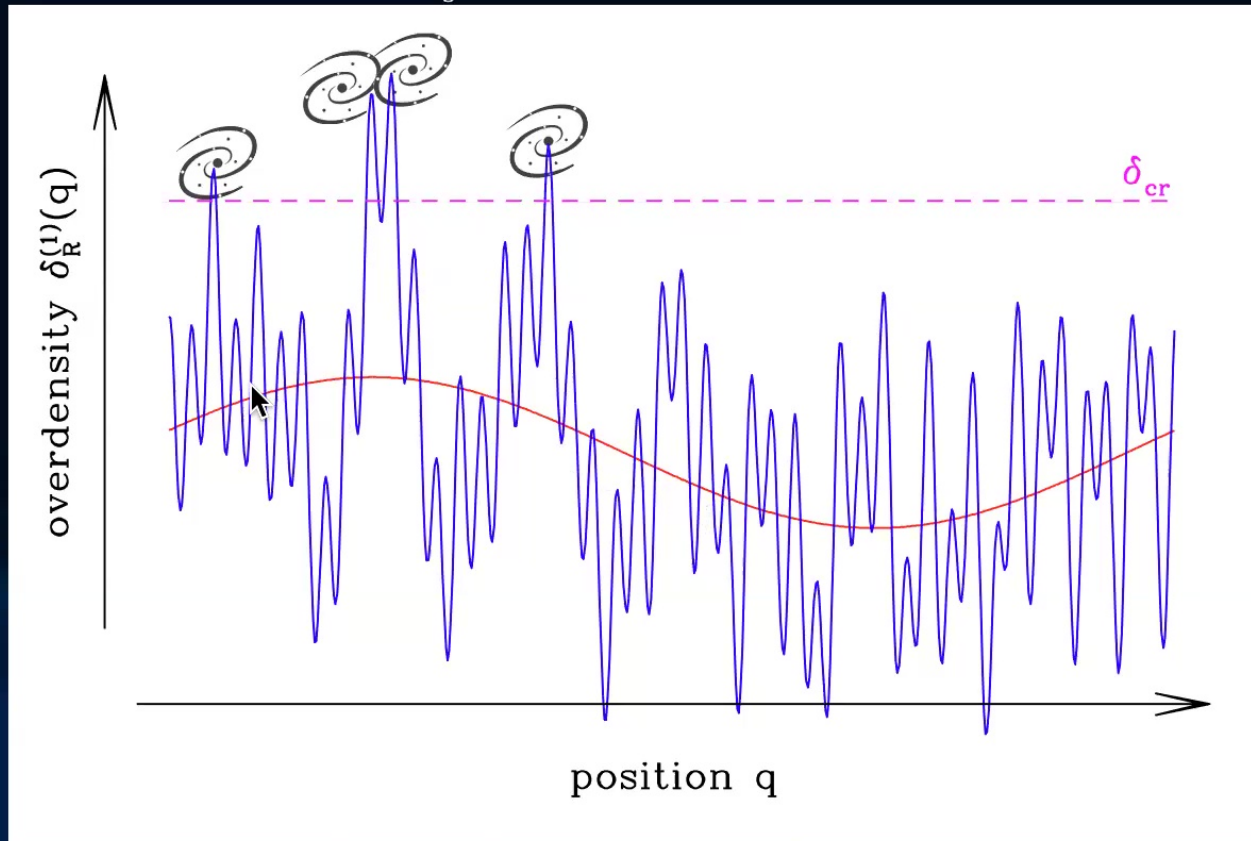
Squeezing σ_8 from Galaxy Clustering

Field-level **B**ayesian **I**nference (FBI) in millions of dimensions
(arXiv: 2403.03220)

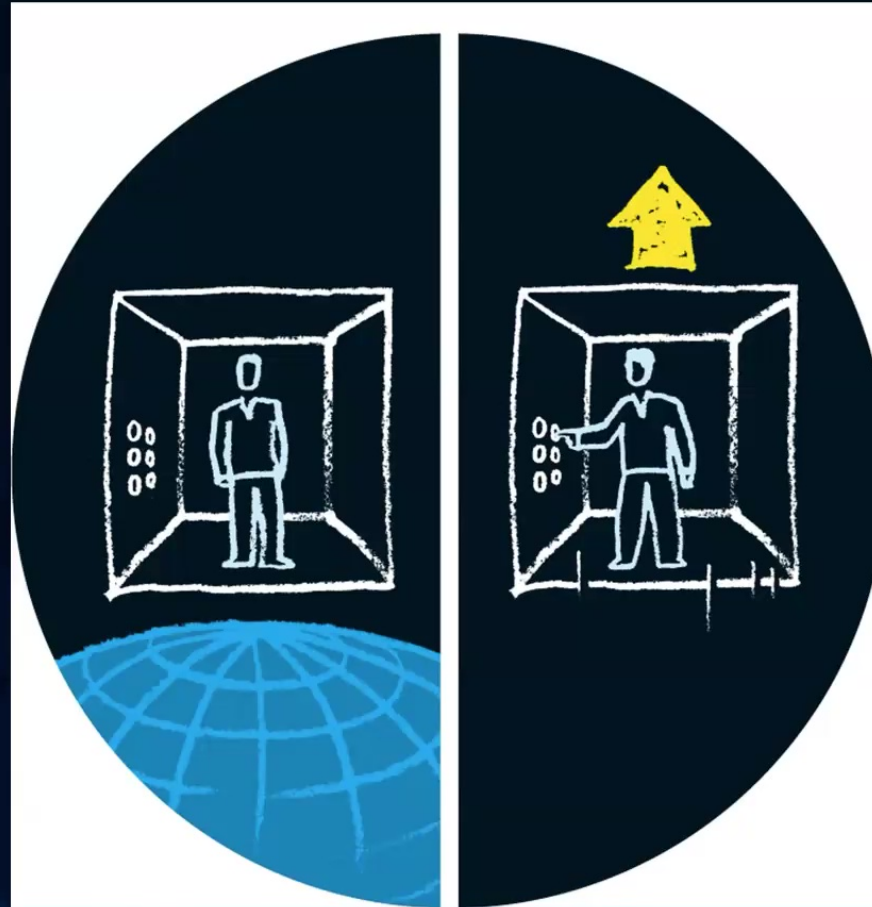


$b_\delta - \sigma_\delta$ degeneracy in linear galaxy clustering

$$P_{\delta_\delta}(k, z) \sim b_\delta^2(z) P_L(k, z)$$



Breaking degeneracy with nonlinear clustering



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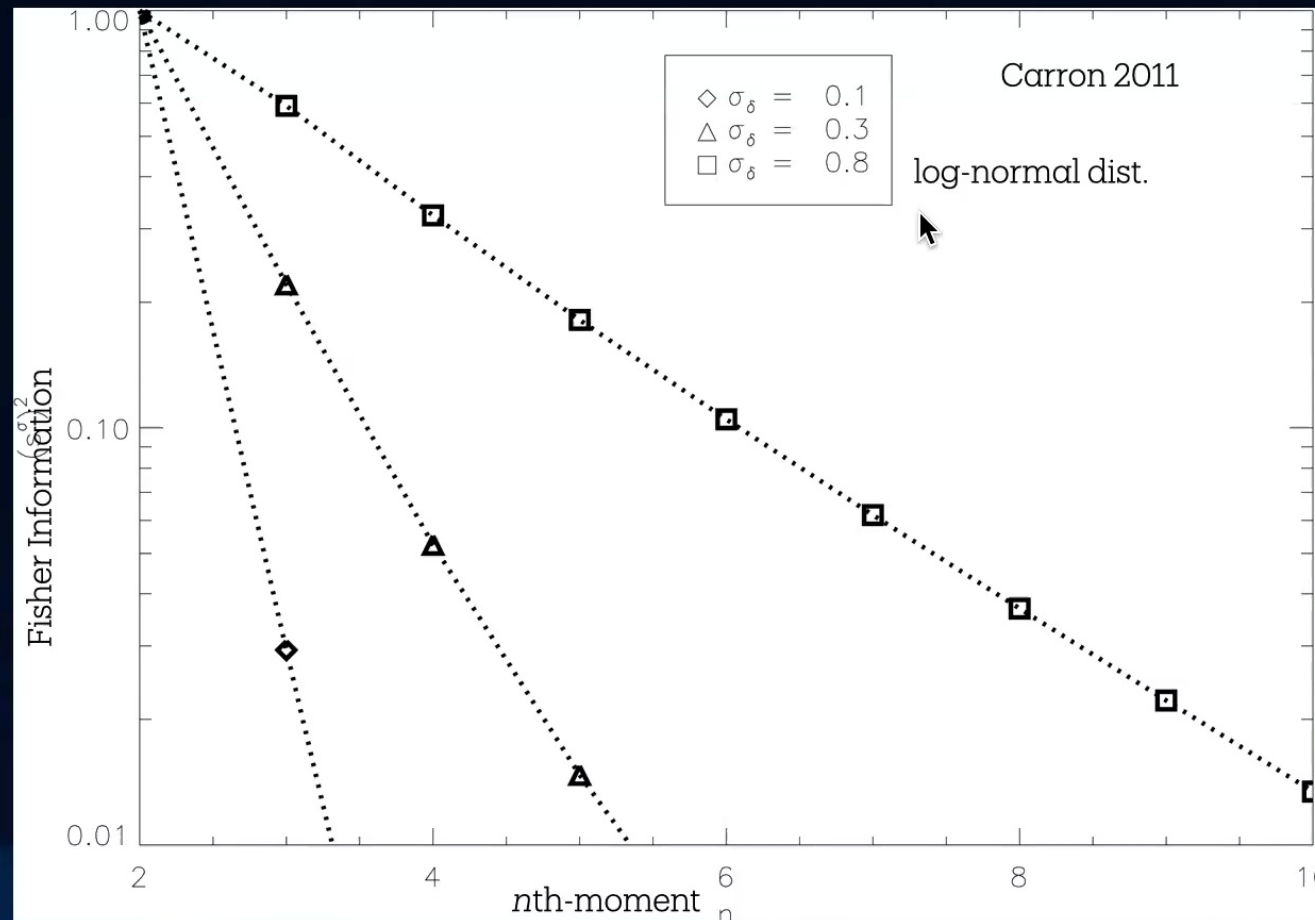
$$\delta_g = b_1 \delta^{(1)} \sim b_1 \sigma_8$$

$$\delta^{(1)} \rightarrow \delta = \delta^{(1)} + \delta^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(\delta^3)$$

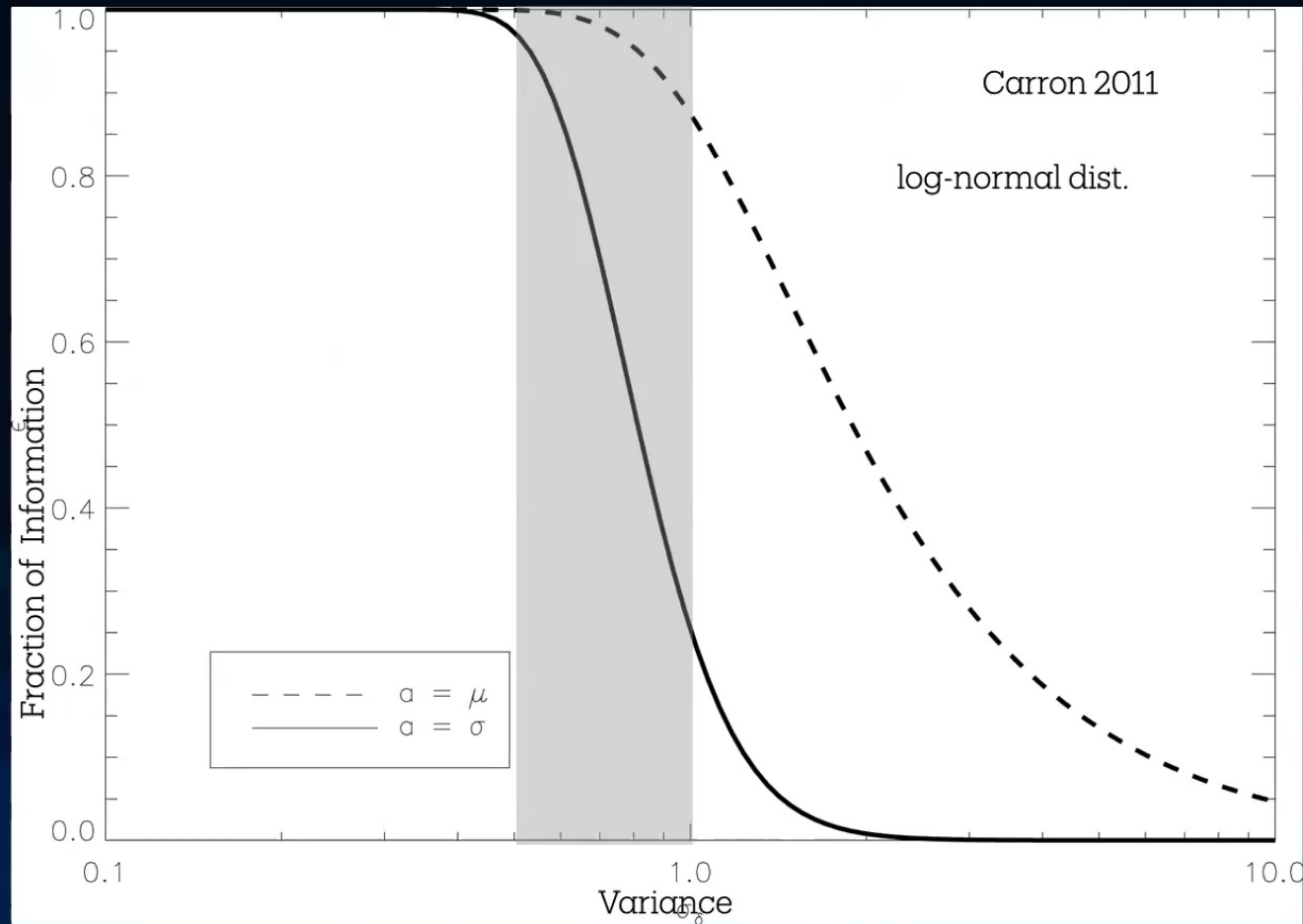
$$\delta^{(2)} = \frac{17}{21} [\delta^{(1)}]^2 + \frac{2}{7} [K_{ij}^{(1)}]^2 - s_{(1)}^i \partial_i \delta^{(1)}$$

$$s_{(1)} = -\frac{\nabla}{\nabla^2} \delta^{(1)}$$

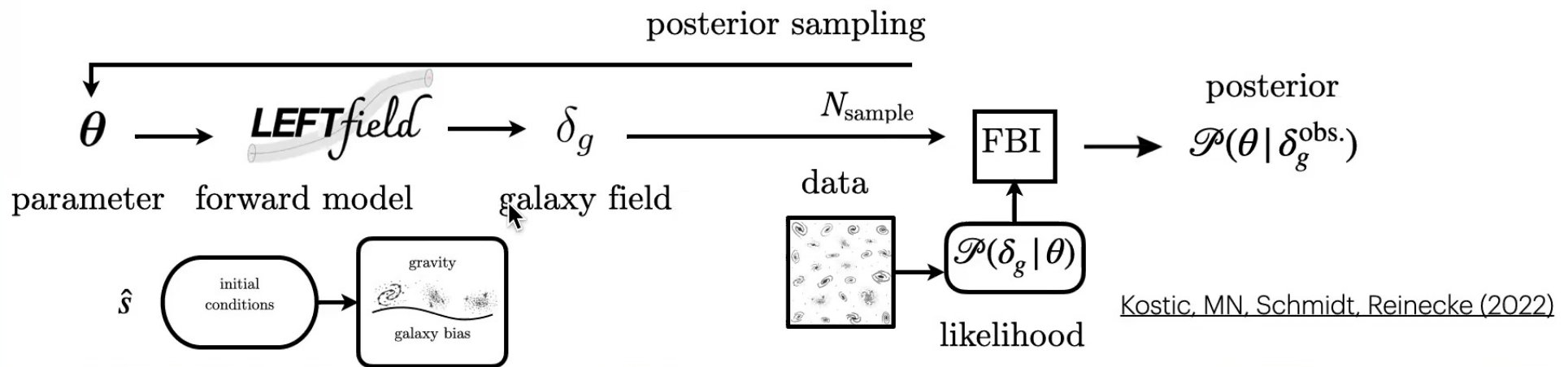
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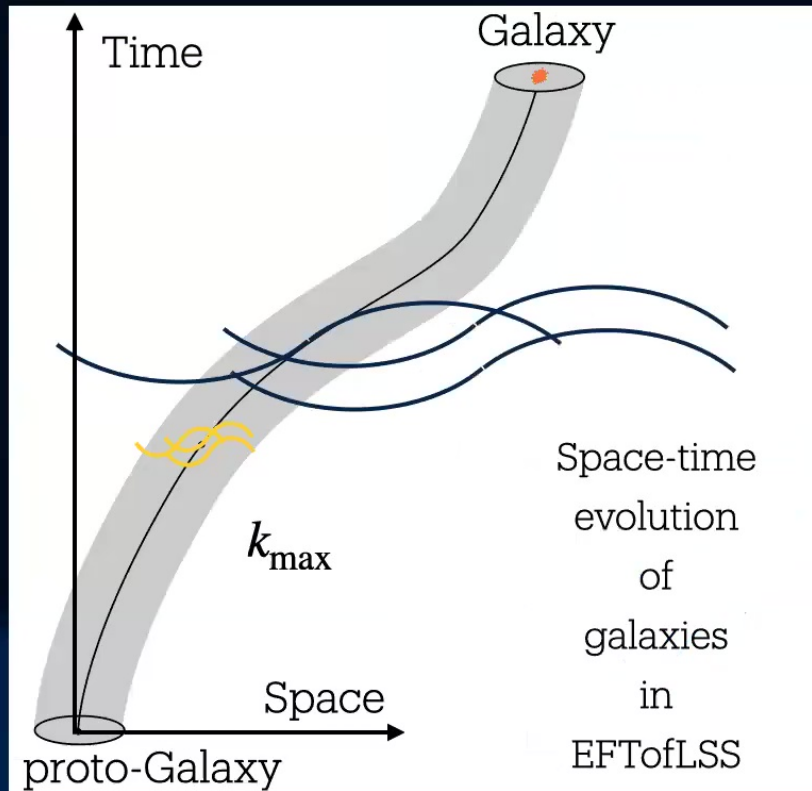
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Field-level Bayesian Inference of galaxy clustering



FBI – EFT galaxy bias and likelihood



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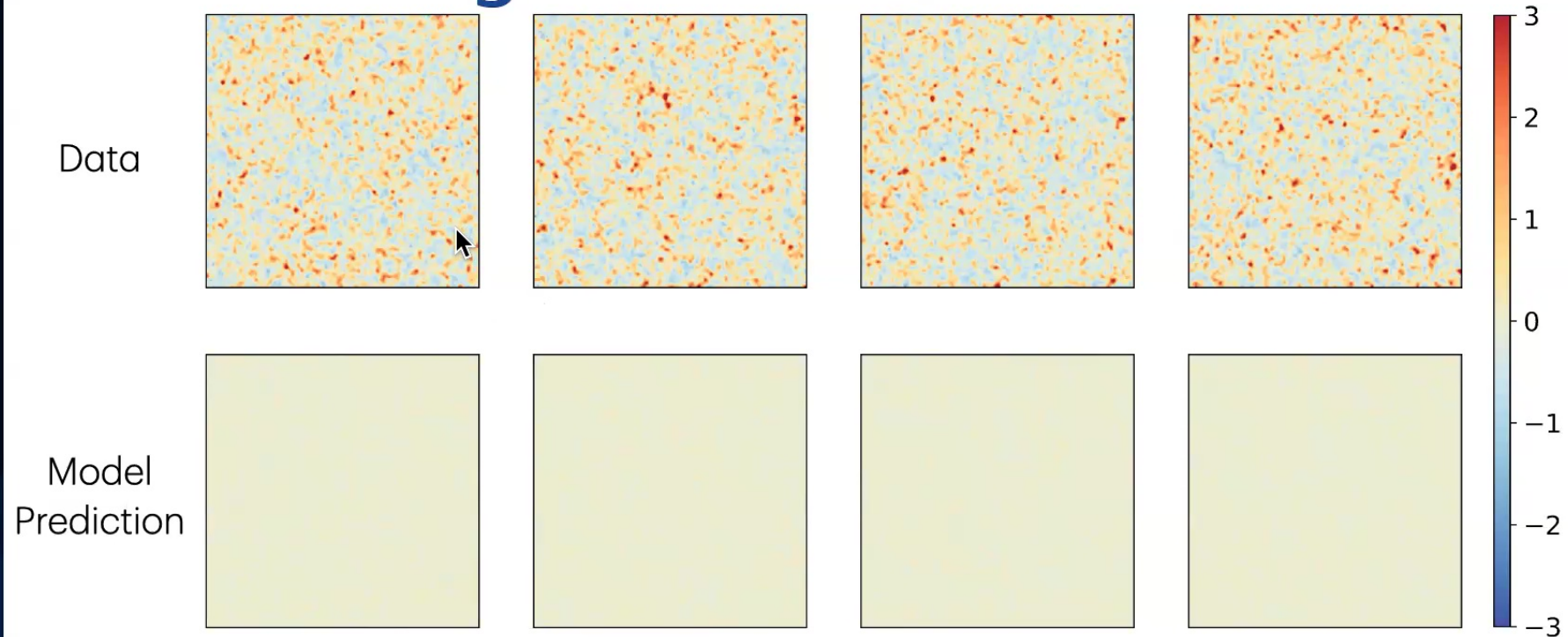
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Comparing individual Fourier modes

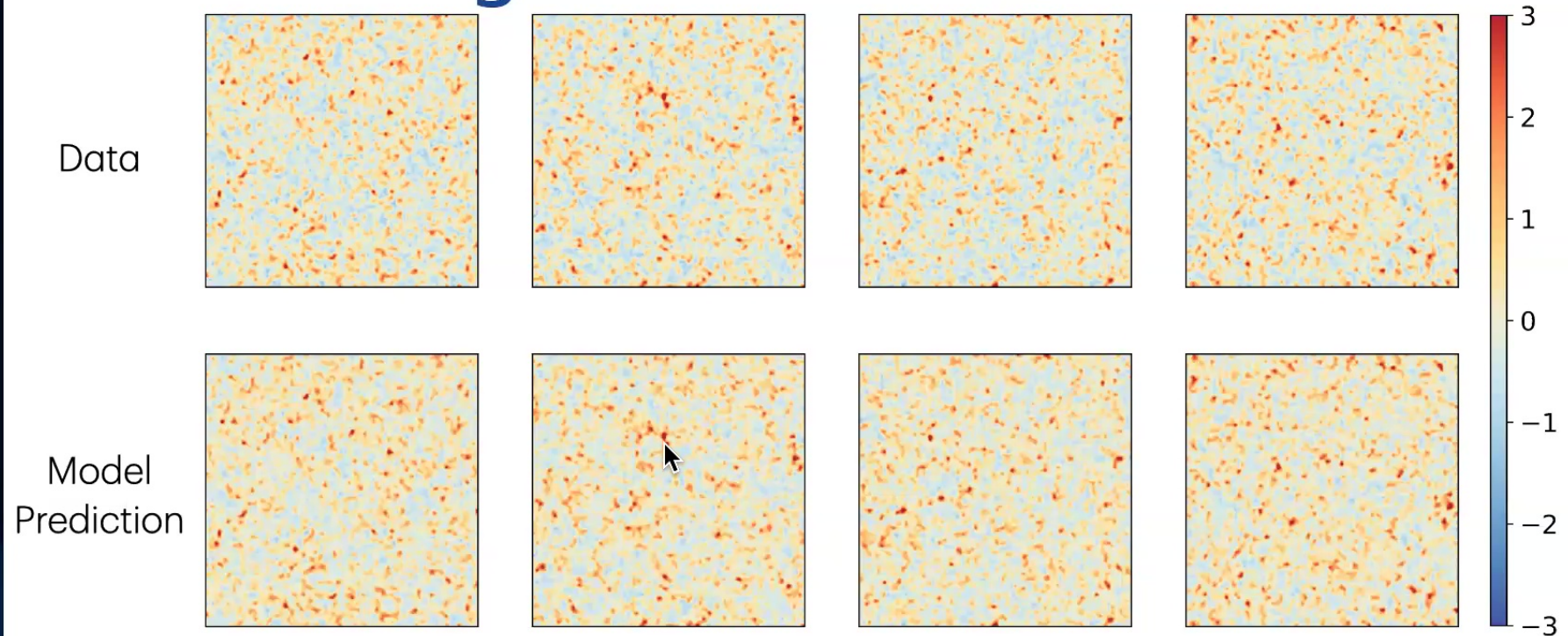
Constrain observed galaxy field in 3D

$$\log \mathcal{L} = -1.184e+08$$



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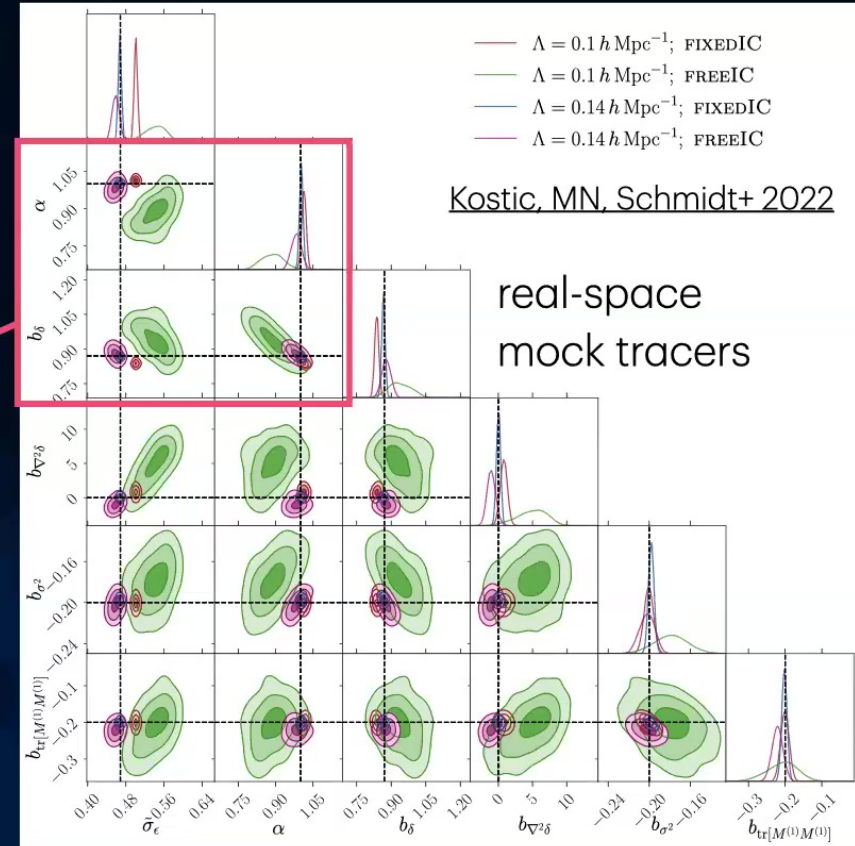
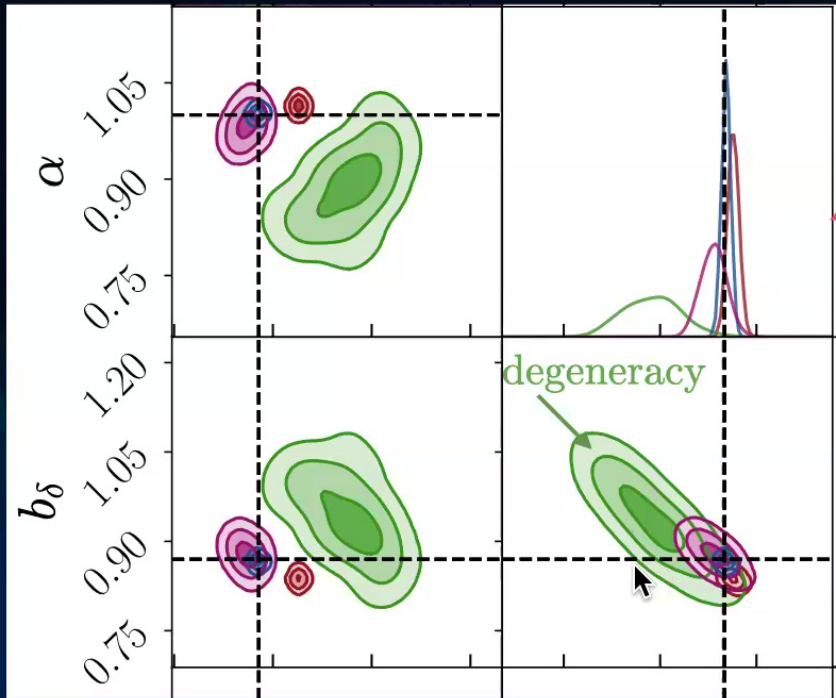
$$\log \mathcal{L} = -3.162e+05$$



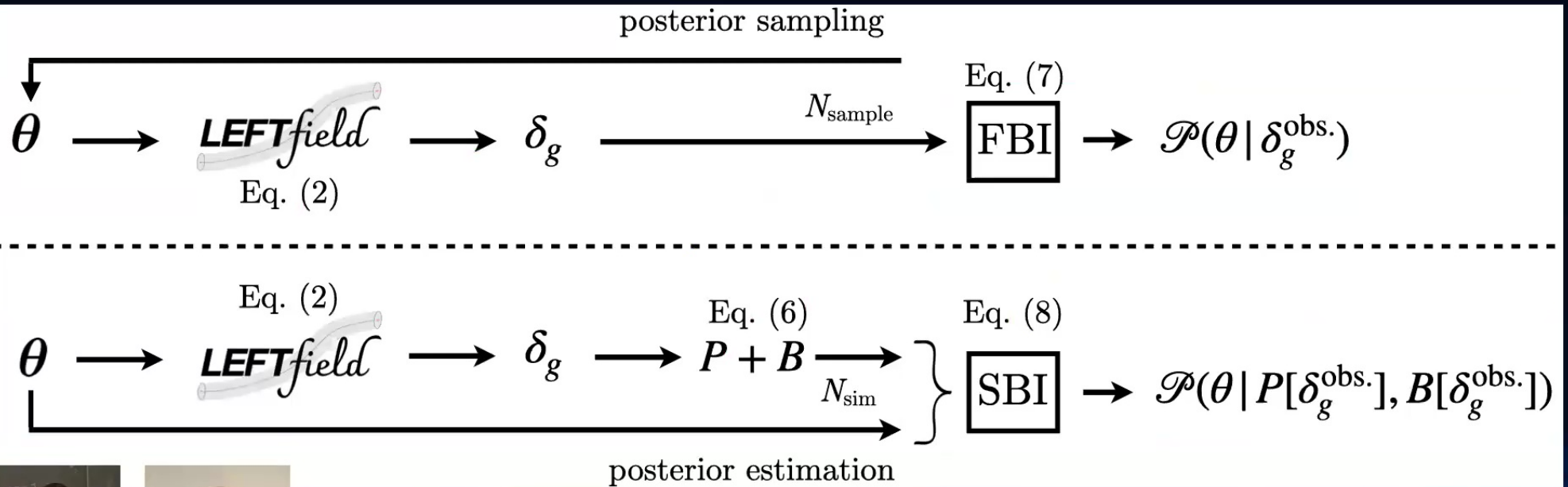
Constrain cosmology and galaxy bias

$$\alpha = \frac{\sigma_8}{\sigma_{8,true}}$$

Volume = $8(h^{-1}\text{Gpc})^3$



How much info beyond 2+3-pt? **FBI** vs **SBI P+B**



[Kostic, MN, Schmidt, Reinecke \(2022\)](#)

Direct evidence for info beyond 2+3-point

Apple-to-apple comparisons

N-body gravity-only sims

Dark-matter main halos

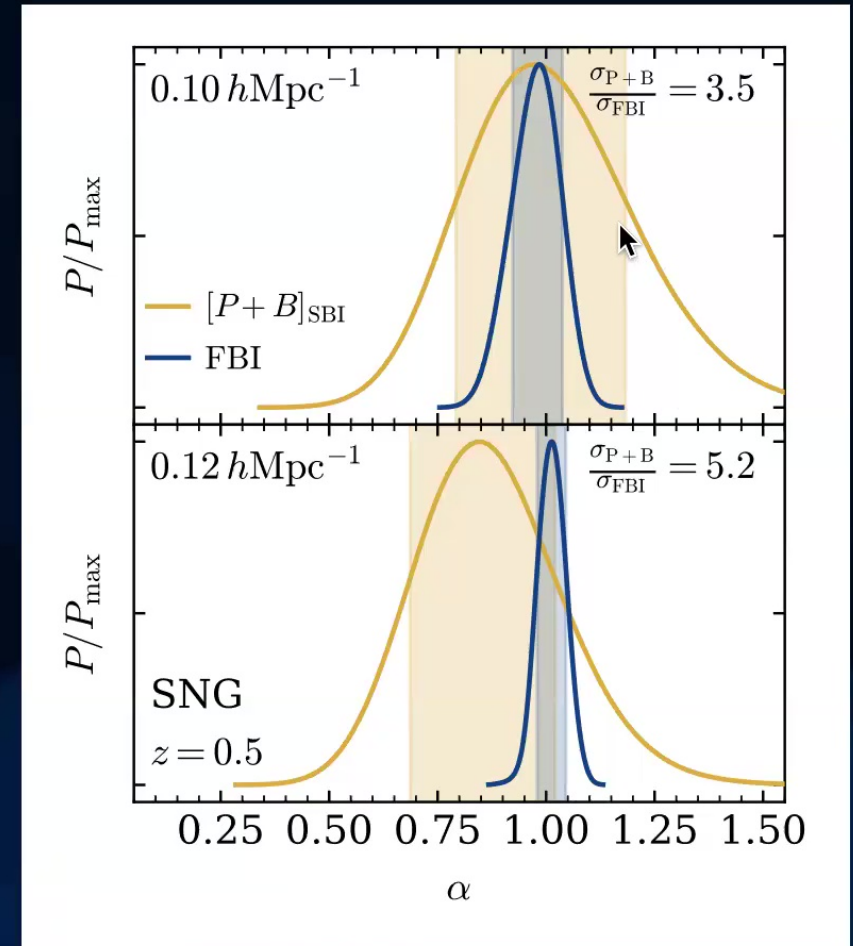
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MN, Schmidt, Tucci+ 2024



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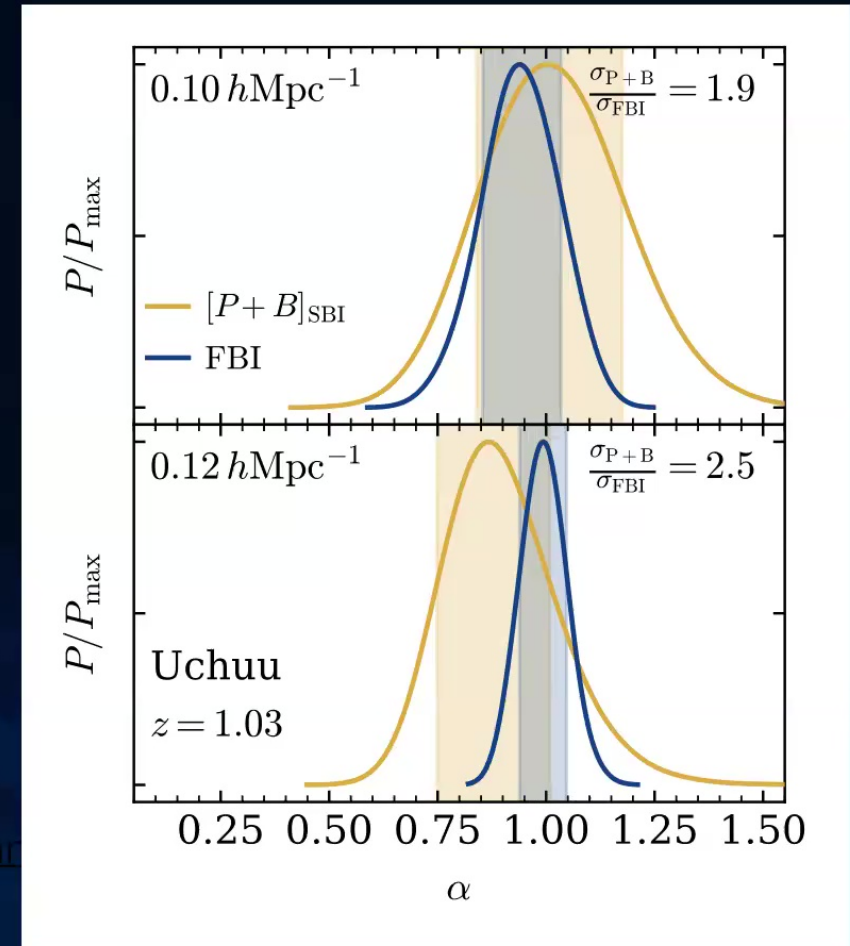
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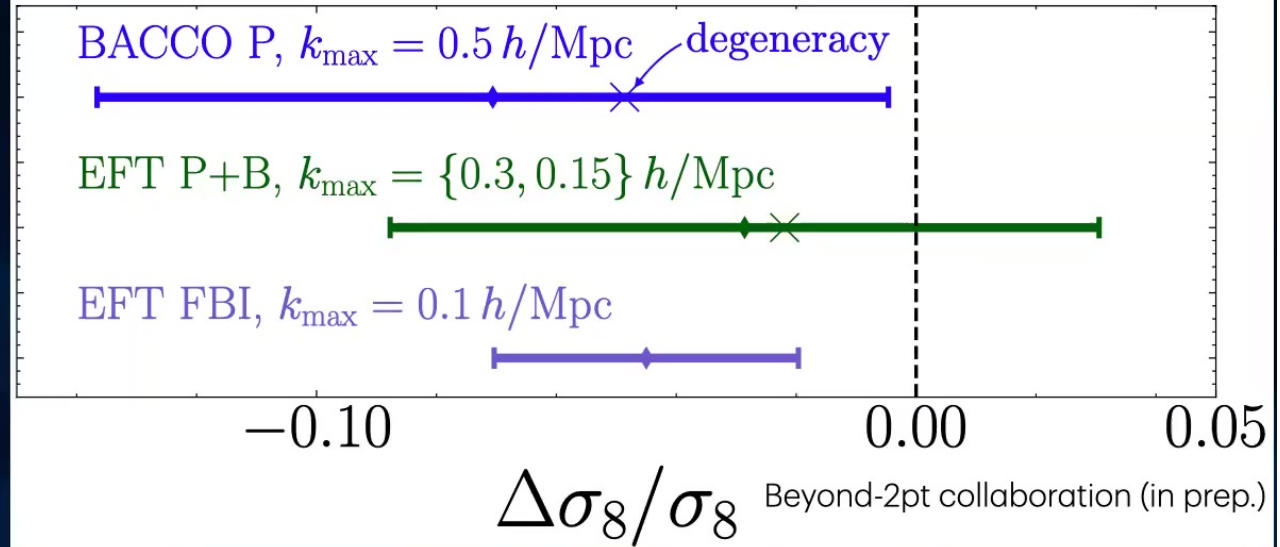


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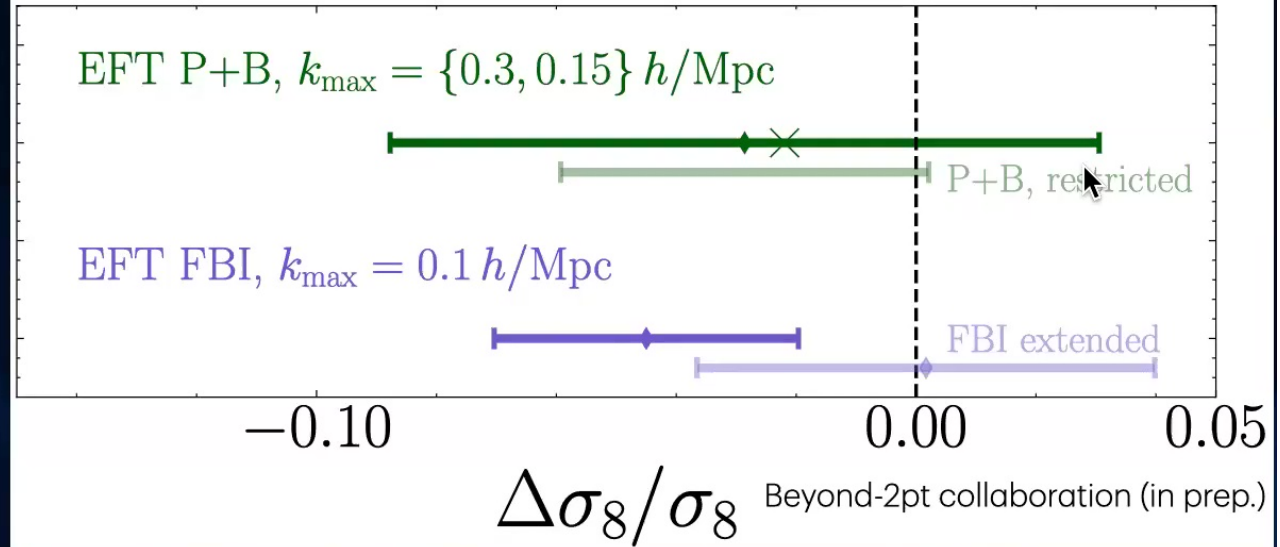


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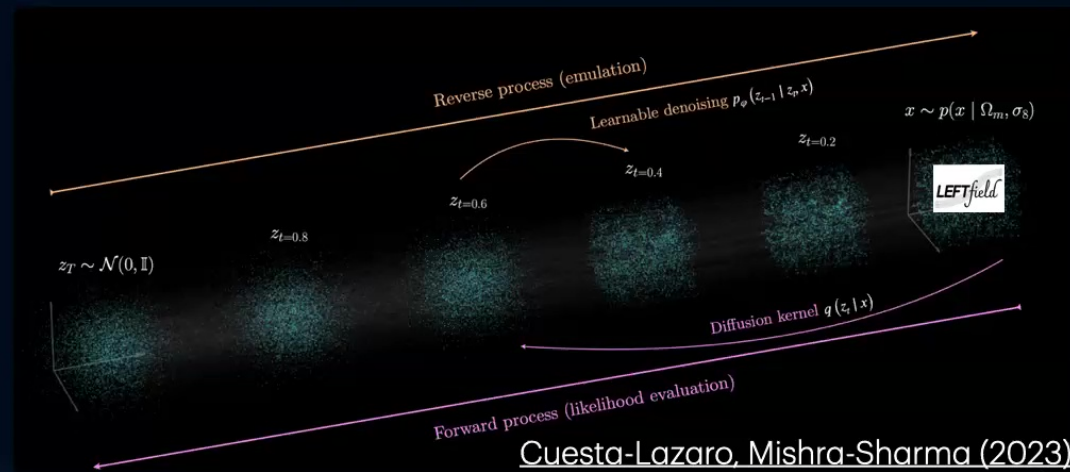
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Scaling up and Expanding FBI

New Physics from Galaxy Clustering and Beyond

Towards SBI at field level

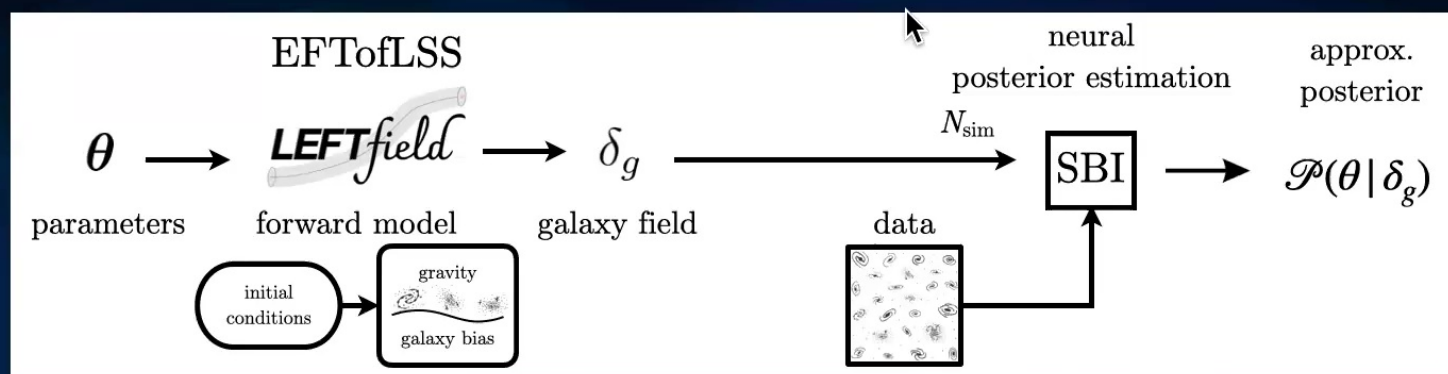
More flexible and efficient FBI with 3D Diffusion Models?



[Sharrock+ \(2022\)](#)

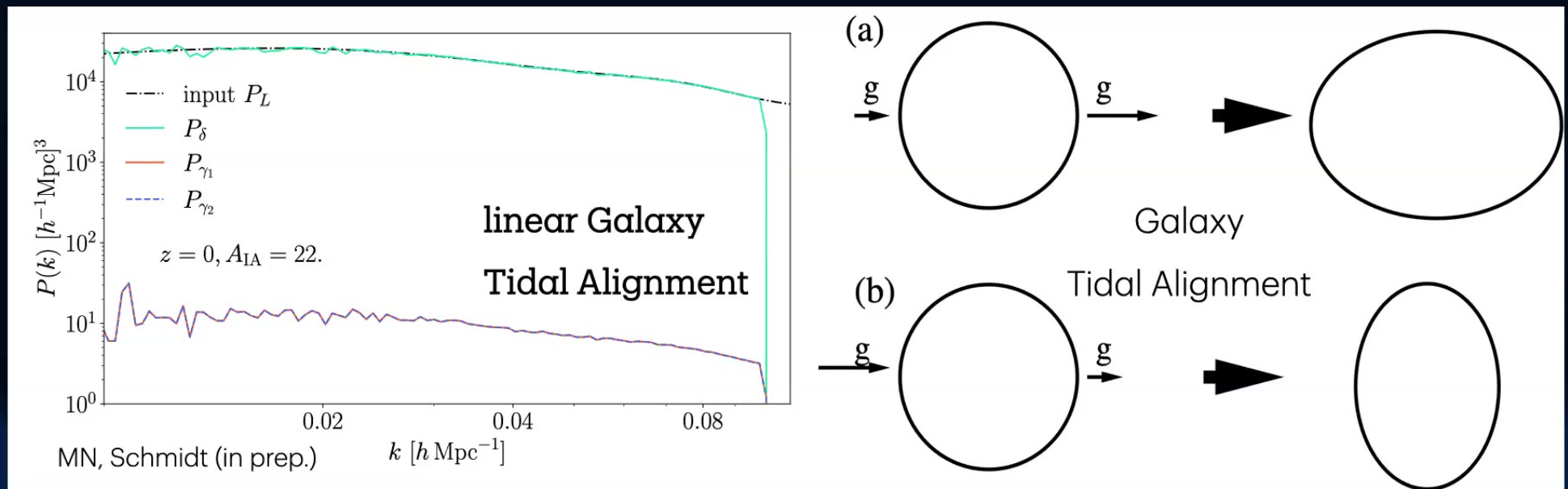
[Legin+ \(2023\)](#)

[Mudur+ \(2023\)](#)



Towards galaxy position x shape

Additional cosmological information from non-scalar fields?



Growth of Structure from LSSxCMB surveys

Beyond the standard model and standard EFT

Can we

incorporate new physics in the forward model?

extend the forward model beyond quasi-linear regime?

improve modeling efficiency

Differentiable
Boltzmann + hybrid-EFT

DISCO-DJ [Hahn+ 2024](#)

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pmwd [Li+ 2022](#)

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Nothing fundamentally prohibited!

Summary

Part I

σ_8 tension \rightarrow late-time growth suppression \rightarrow new properties of DE, gravity or DM

Galaxy clustering can provide crucial insights into σ_8 tension

Part II

Beyond-2pt statistics contain significant cosmological information in galaxy clustering

Field-level Bayesian Inference will improve σ_8 constraint from galaxy clustering

FBI ~ a natural framework to analyze galaxy clustering, plus galaxy shapes, peculiar velocities

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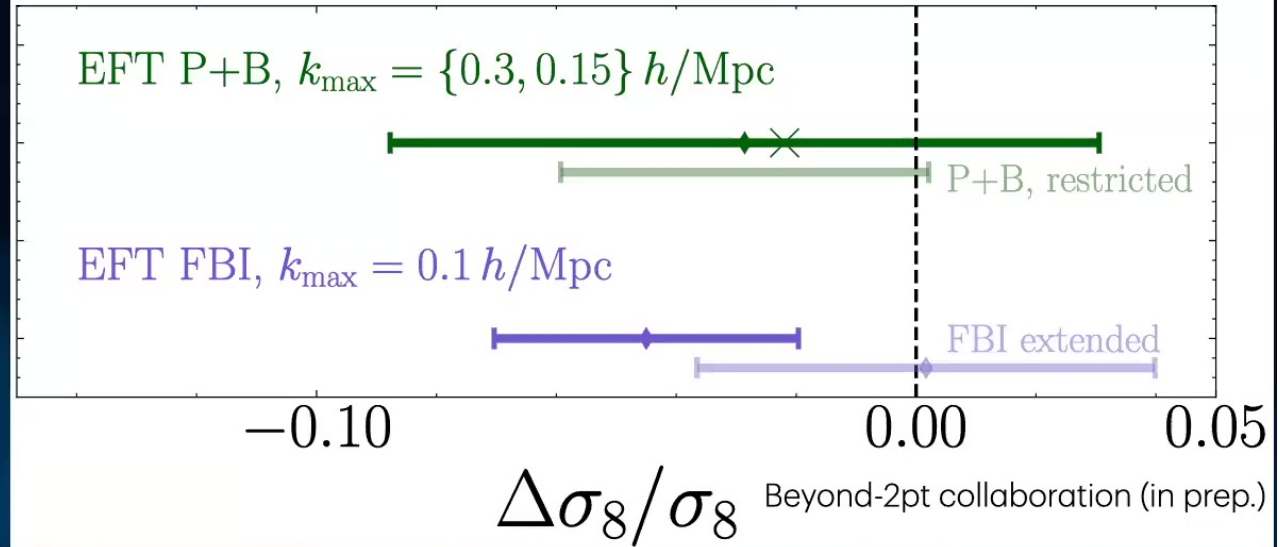


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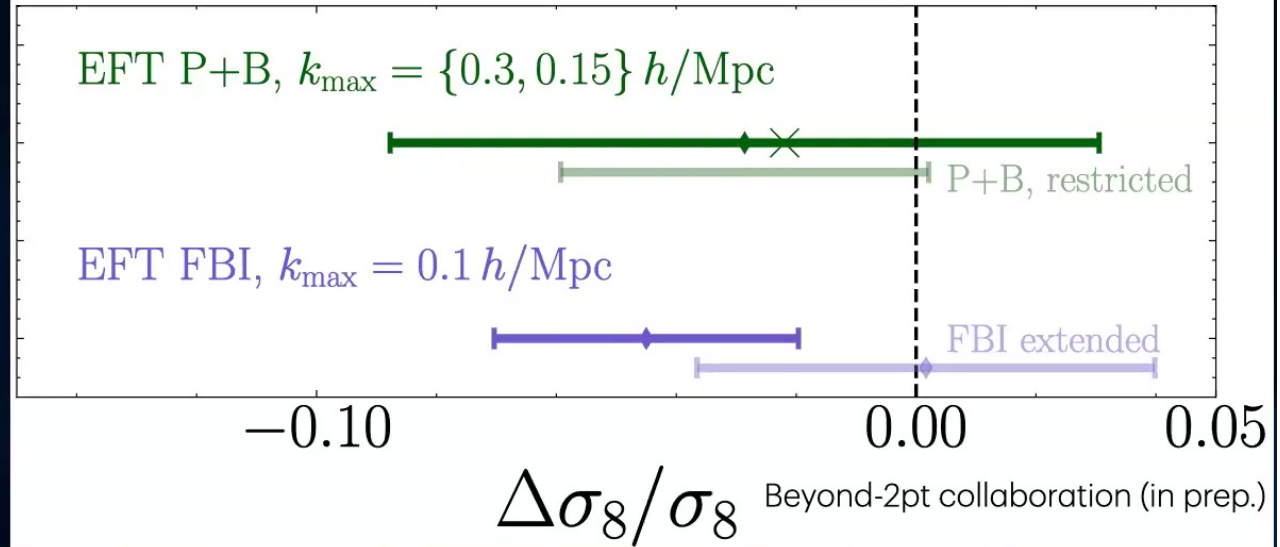


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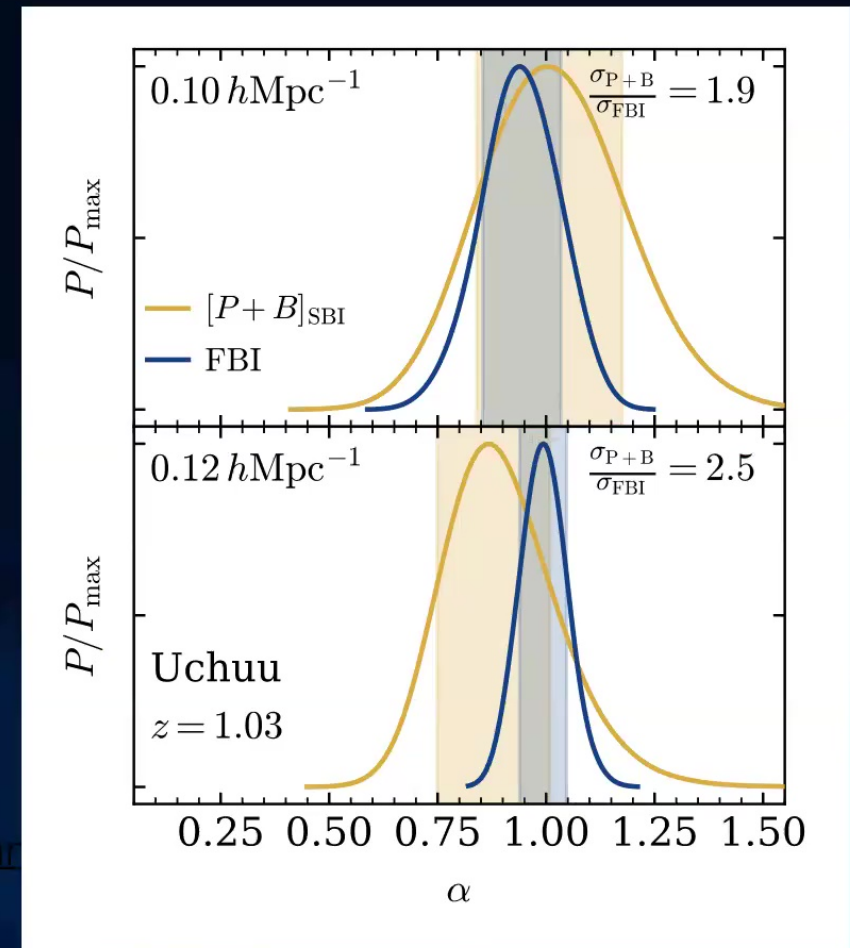
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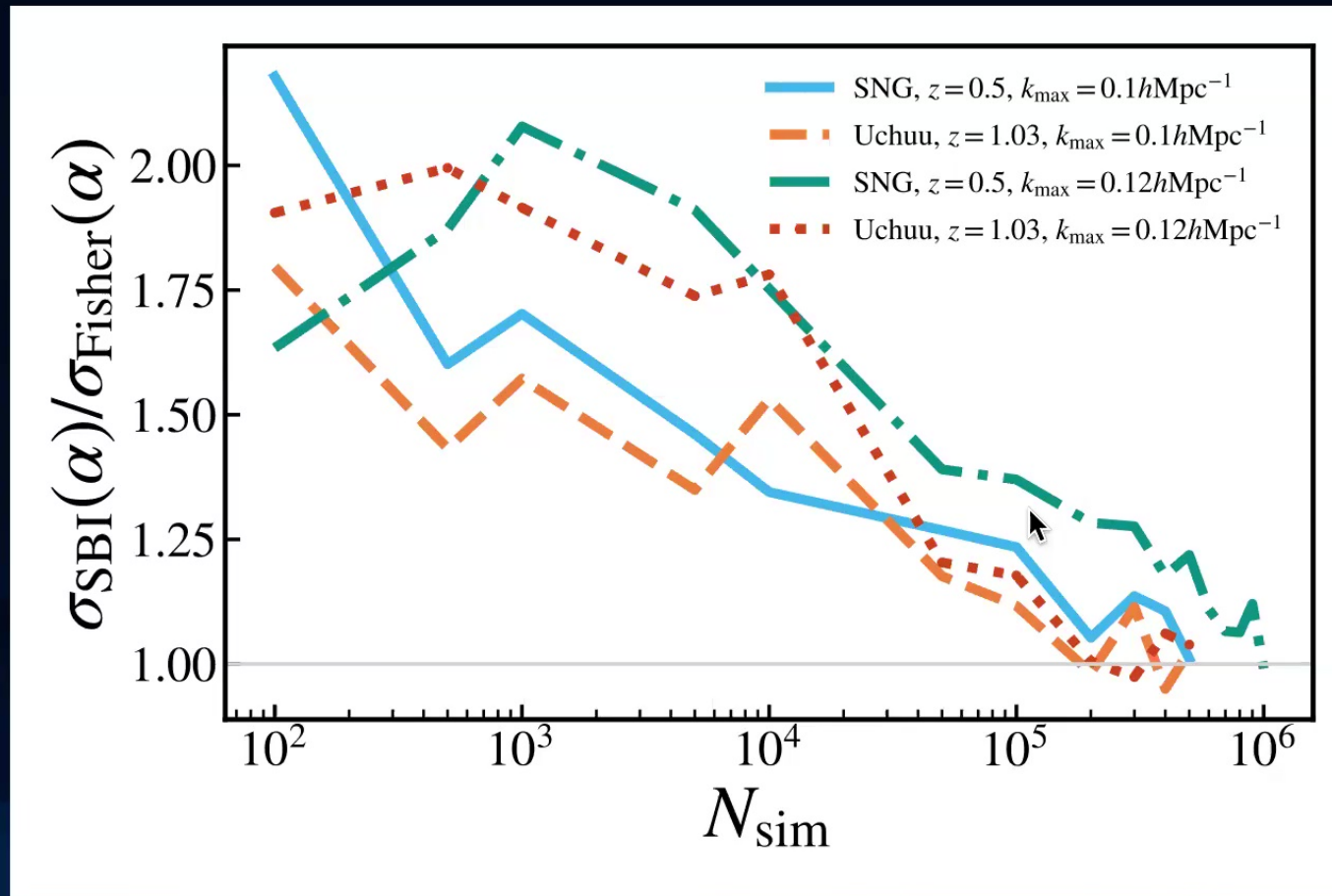
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SBI P+B convergence



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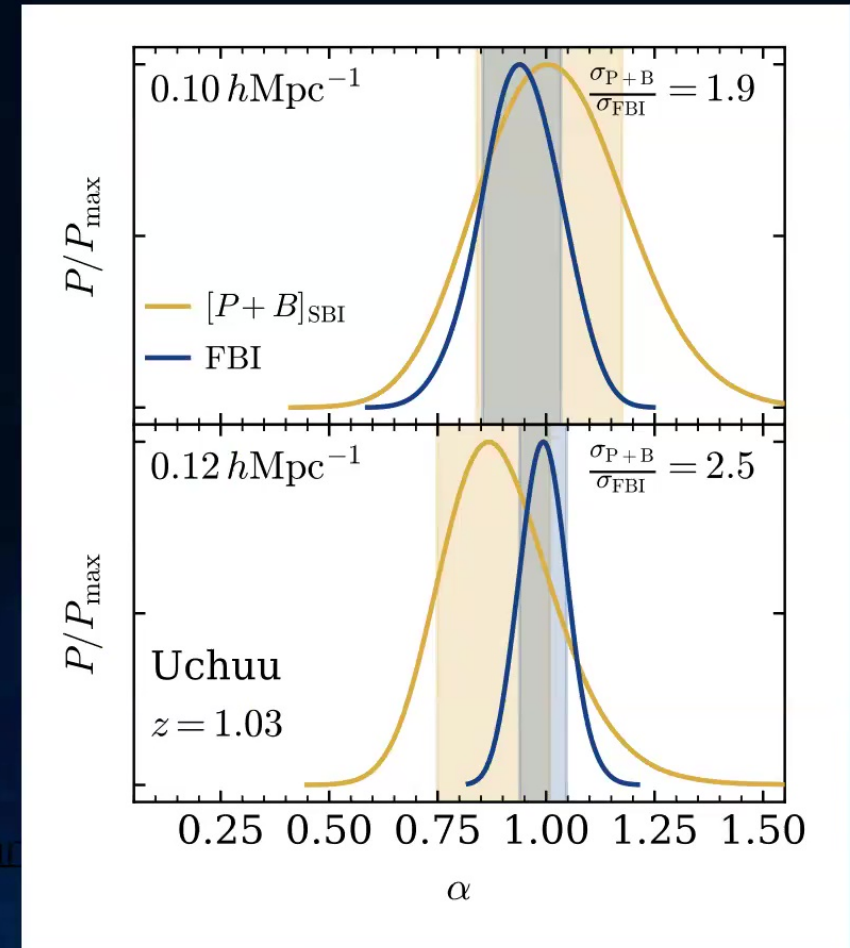
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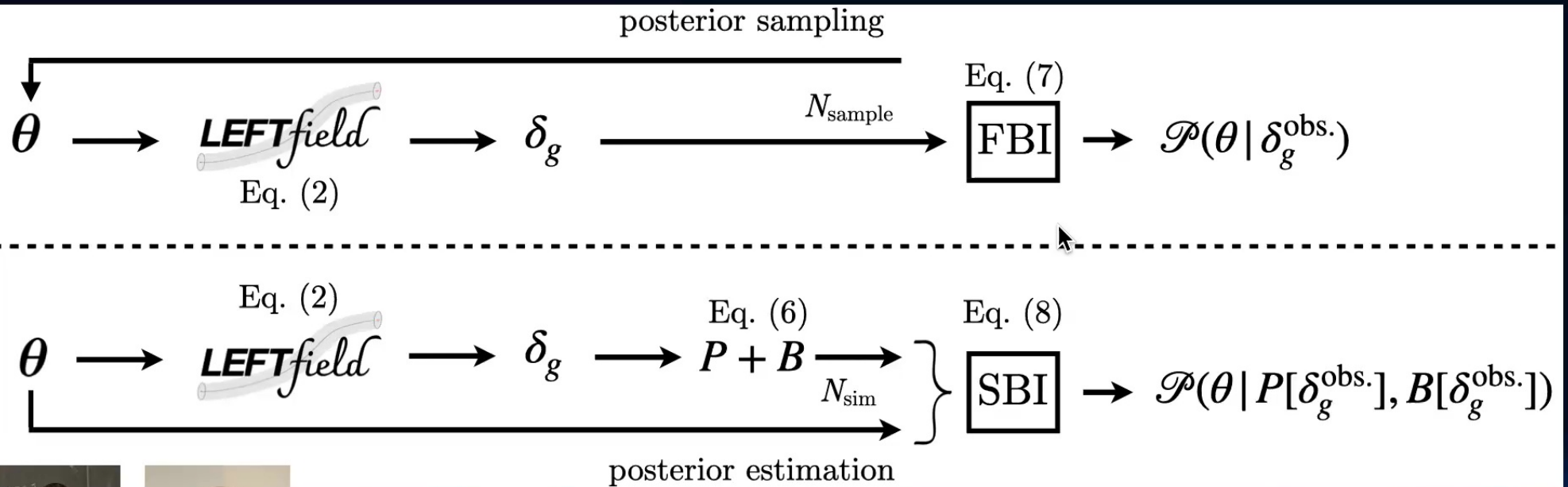
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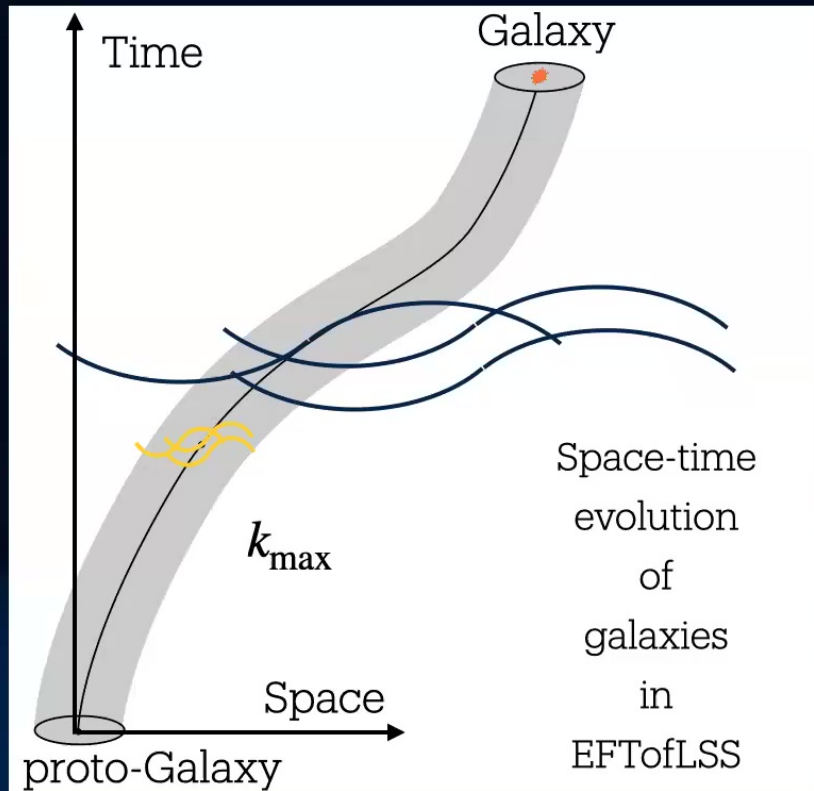


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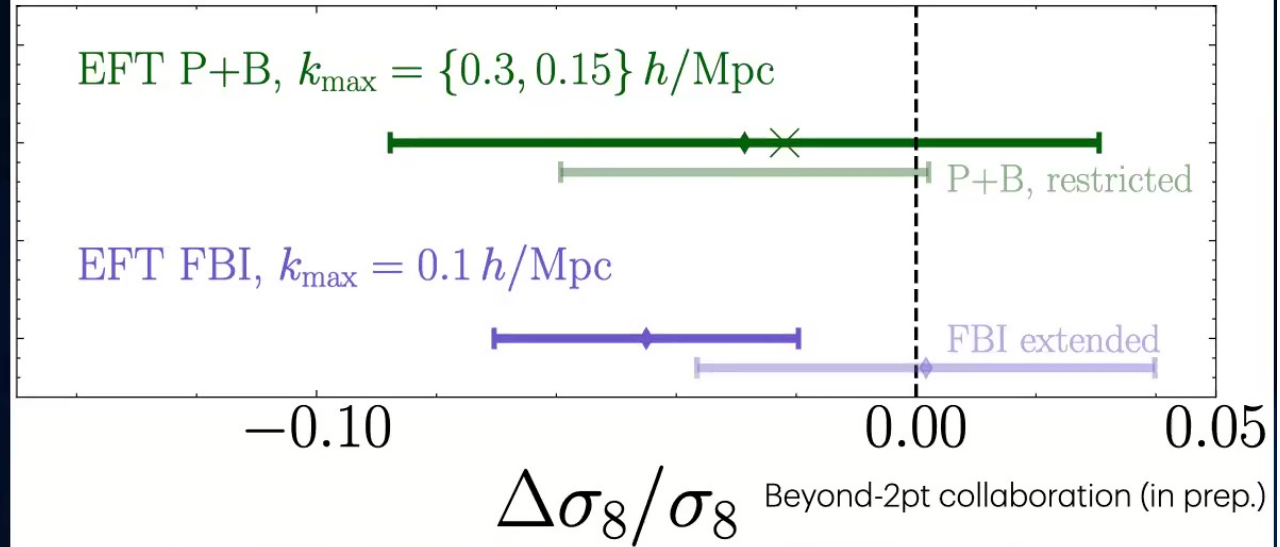


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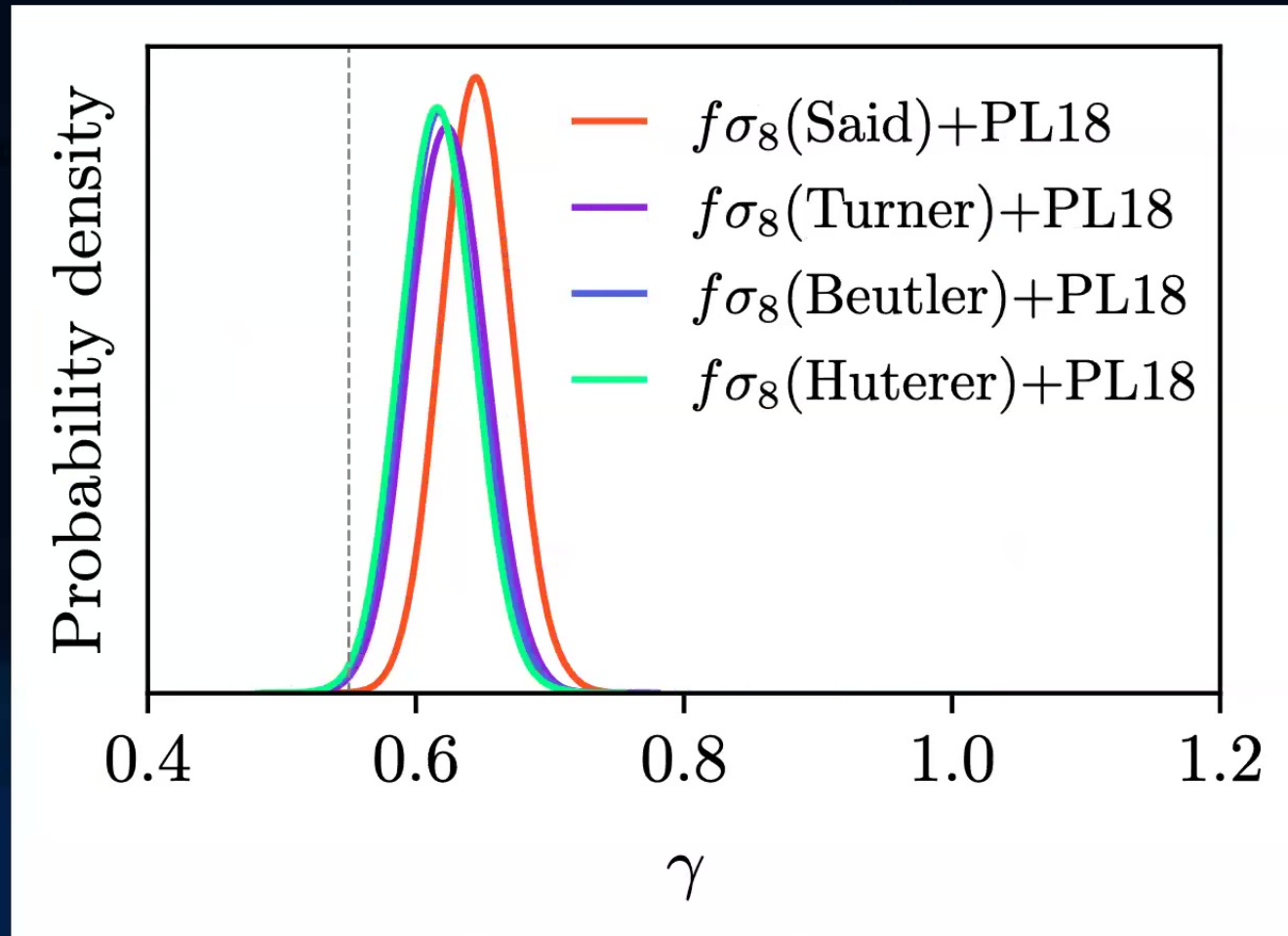
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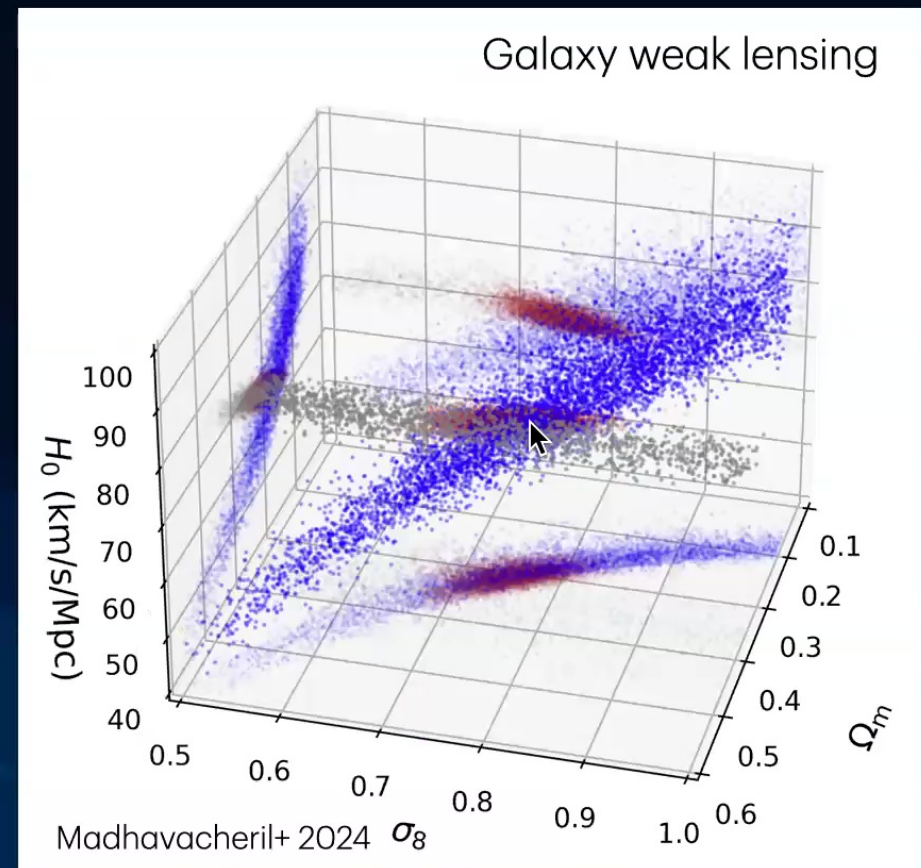
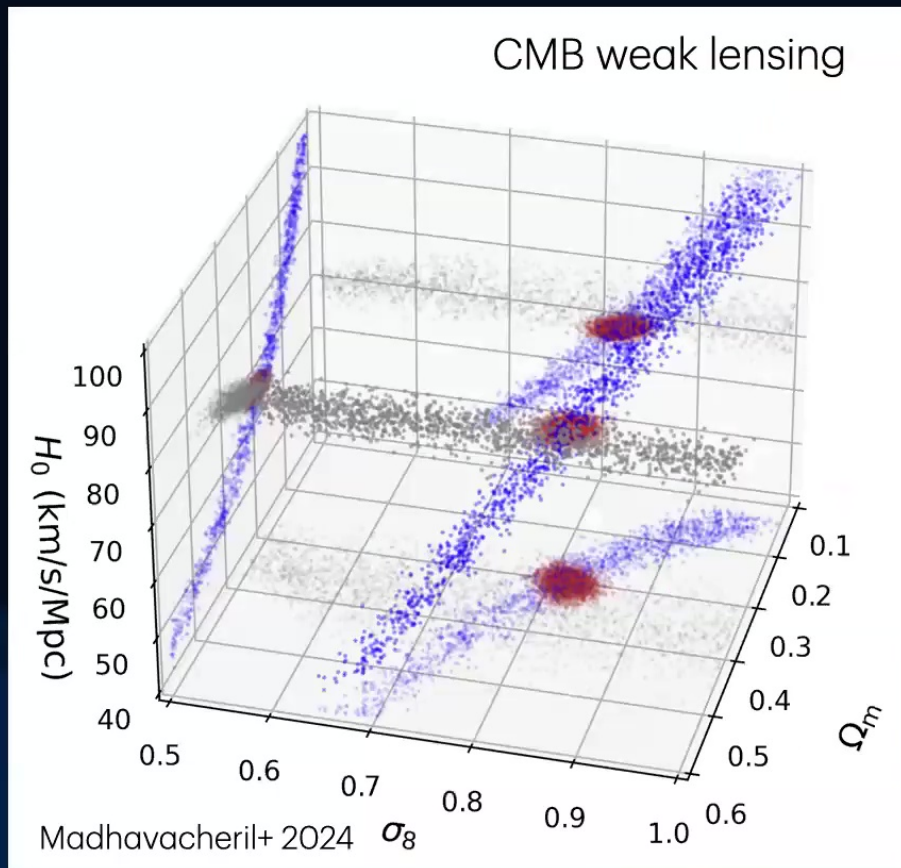
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Robustness to Peculiar Velocity and RSD

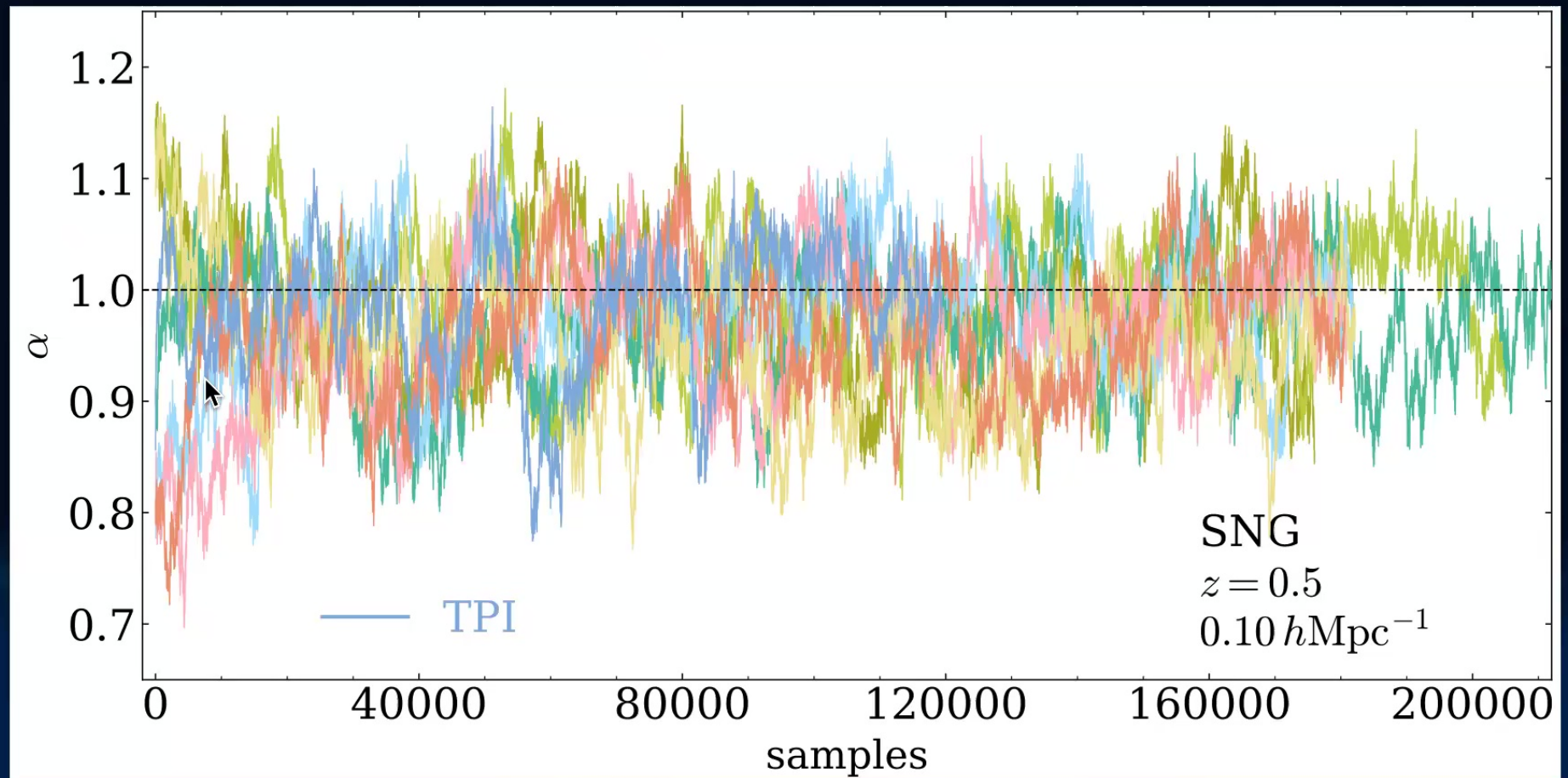


CMB lensing and Galaxy lensing + BAO

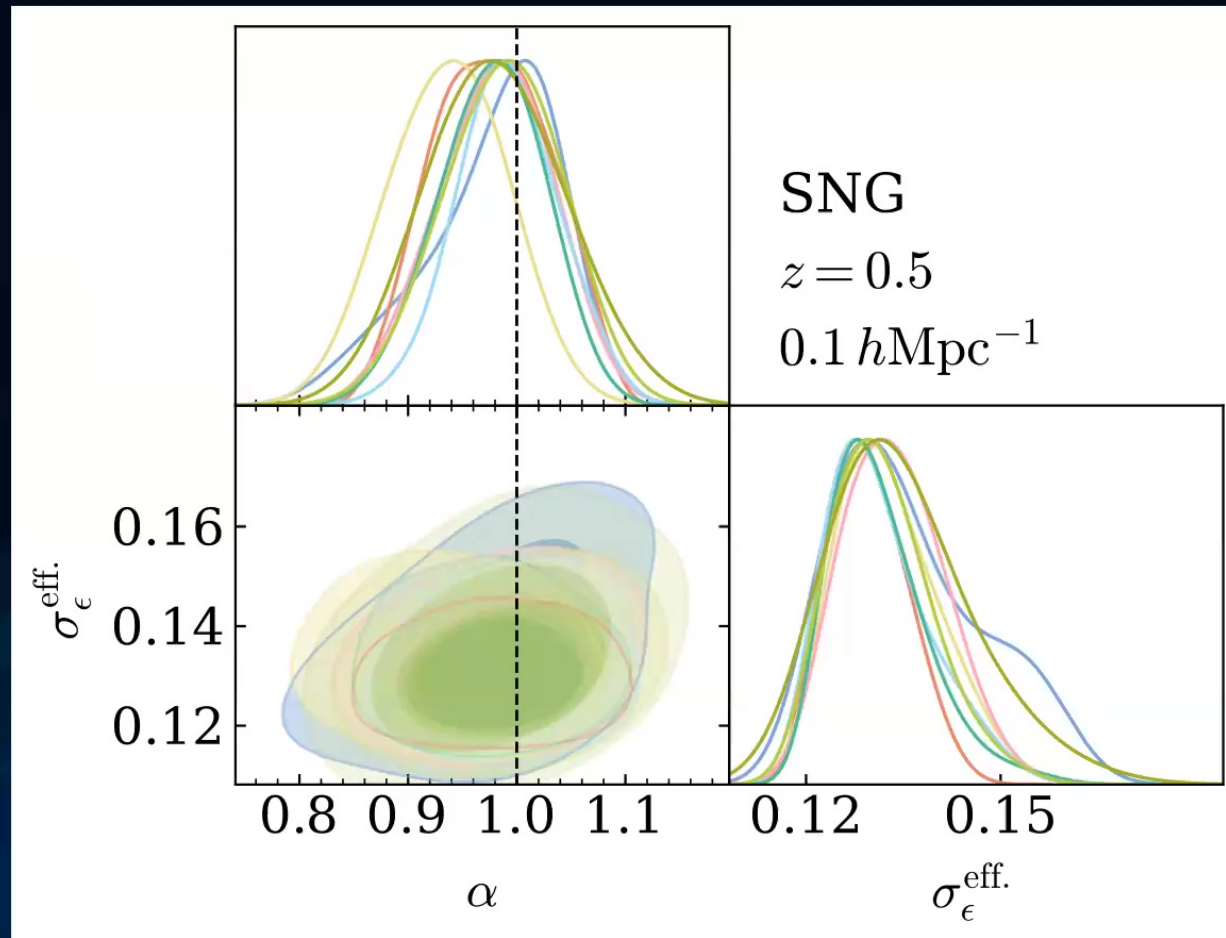
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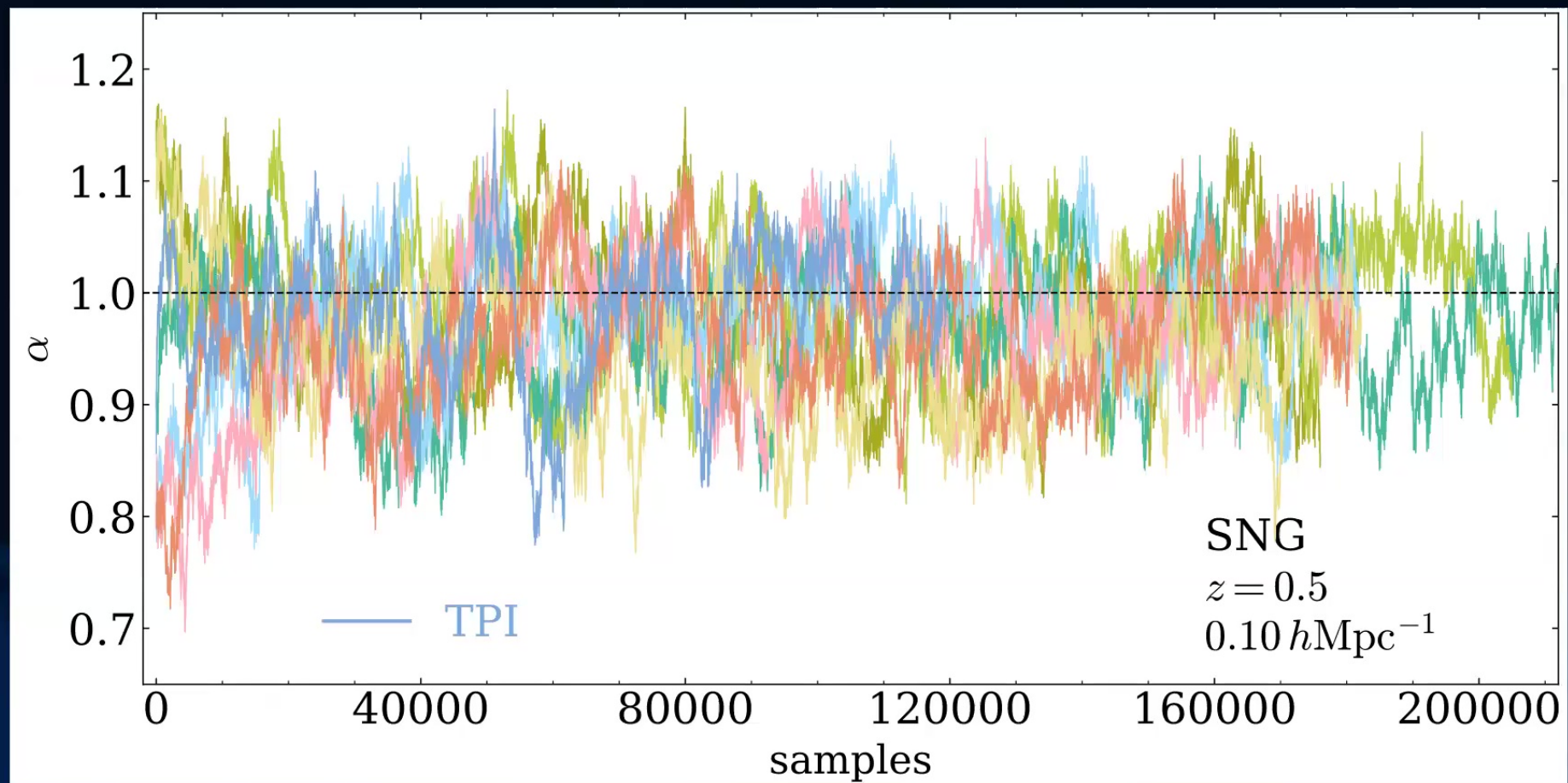
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FBI convergence - Posterior



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$$\text{Volume} = 8(h^{-1} \text{Gpc})^3$$

Improvement increases with scale cut

and number density



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