COMPUTATIONAL COSMOLOGY

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GENERATING INITIAL CONDITIONS create an infinite homogenous and isotropic Universe 1.



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SUPERIMPOSING DENSITY PERTURBATIONS



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 \Rightarrow decomposition of $\delta(x)$ into waves



Fourier transformation of density contrast





















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cosmological P(k)'s?





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homogeneous & isotropic initial conditions





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1. temporal evolution of P(k)

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density contrast:

$$\frac{\partial \delta}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{a} \nabla \cdot \vec{u} = 0 \quad \text{mass conservation}$$
peculiar velocity field:

$$\frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \vec{u} = -\frac{1}{a} \nabla \Phi \quad \text{momentum conservation}$$

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2. displacement of particles

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SUPERIMPOSING DENSITY PERTURBATIONS

Zel'dovich approximation:

$$\vec{x}(t) = \vec{q} + D(t)\vec{S}(\vec{q})$$

Ansatz based upon the idea to

displace particles from their initial positions on a regular mesh

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$$\frac{\partial^2 D}{\partial t^2} + 2\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\frac{\partial D}{\partial t} - 4\pi G\overline{\rho}D = 0$$

general solution:

$$D(t) = \frac{5}{2}\Omega_0 \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \int_{t_0}^t \frac{1}{\dot{a}^2} dt'$$

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derivative of Ansatz

definition of peculiar velocity field

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• linear perturbation theory in comoving coordinates

$$\ddot{D} + 2\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\dot{D} - 4\pi G\overline{\rho}D = 0 \qquad \text{mass conservation}$$

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$$\vec{q}$$
 = Lagrangian position (i.e. the grid)
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$$\vec{x}(t) = \vec{q} + D(t)\vec{S}(\vec{q})$$

• linear perturbation theory in comoving coordinates

$$\vec{q} = \text{Lagrangian position (i.e. the grid)}$$

$$D(t) = \frac{5}{2} \Omega_0 \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \int_{t_0}^{t} \frac{1}{\dot{a}^2} dt'$$

$$\vec{S}(\vec{q}) = -\nabla \Psi$$

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relate δ_0 (and hence *S*) to $P_0(k)$

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	(proof follows later!)

$$\Delta \Psi = \rho$$
$$\Delta G = \delta_{Dirac}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \hat{\Psi} = \hat{\rho} \hat{G}$$
 with $\hat{G} = \frac{1}{k^2}$

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$$R_{\vec{k}}e^{i\varphi_{\vec{k}}} = R_{1} + iR_{2}$$

$$R_{1}, R_{2} = \text{Gaussian random numbers with mean zero and dispersion unity}$$

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• in practice...

$$\vec{q}$$
 = regular grid, i.e. $q_{k,l,m}$
 $D = \frac{5}{2}\Omega_0 \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \int_{t_0}^t \frac{1}{\dot{a}^2} dt'$
 $\vec{S}(\vec{q}) = -\nabla \Psi(\vec{q})$

D(t): determines the initial redshift of the simulation

S(q): determines the direction of displacement

$$\Psi(\vec{q}) = FFT^{-1}(\hat{\Psi}(\vec{k}))$$
$$\hat{\Psi} = \hat{\delta}_0 \ (k) \frac{1}{k^2}$$
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SUPERIMPOSING DENSITY PERTURBATIONS

- Zel'dovich approximation:
 - positions

$$\vec{x}(t) = \vec{q} + D(t)\vec{S}(\vec{q})$$

• velocities

$$\dot{\vec{x}}(t) = \dot{D}(t)\vec{S}(\vec{q})$$

2nd order Lagrangian perturbation theory

$$\vec{x}(t) = \vec{q} + D(a)S(\vec{q}) - D^{(2)}S^{(2)}(\vec{q})$$

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GENERATING INITIAL CONDITIONS	Practical Limitati	IONS
generating IC's in practice		
 choose cosmological model 	$\Lambda CDM ?!$	
• choose box size	В	
 choose number of particles 	N	
• choose starting redshift	z_i	

these choices are not free but interwoven...
- generating IC's in practice
 - wavenumber limitation













 $N=256^{3}$

 Λ CDM vs. Λ WDM B=100 h^{-1} Mpc

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• why h^{-1} Mpc ?



$$\rho = \frac{Nm_{simu}}{B^3} = \Omega_0 \rho_{crit,0} = \Omega_0 \frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G} = \Omega_0 \frac{3 \cdot (100h^2)}{8\pi G}$$

$$\Rightarrow m_{simu} = \Omega_0 \frac{300h^2}{8\pi G} \frac{B^3}{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow hm_{simu} = \Omega_0 \frac{300}{8\pi G} \frac{(hB)^3}{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \tilde{m}_{simu} = \Omega_0 \frac{300}{8\pi G} \frac{\tilde{B}^3}{N}$$

distances and masses have to be divided by h to get physical values...

- generating IC's in practice
 - linearity constraint on box size

$$\delta(\vec{x},t) = \frac{\rho(\vec{x},t) - \overline{\rho}(t)}{\overline{\rho}(t)} \quad \propto \quad D(t) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{P(k,t) \propto D^2(t)}$$

- linear perturbation theory (again...)

$$D(t) = \frac{5}{2}\Omega_0 \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \int_{t_0}^t \frac{1}{\dot{a}^2} dt'$$

$$D(a) \approx \frac{5a}{2} \Omega_m \left[\Omega_m^{4/7} - \Omega_\Lambda + \left(1 + \frac{\Omega_m}{2} \right) \left(1 + \frac{\Omega_\Lambda}{70} \right) \right]^{-1}$$
$$(D(a) = a \text{ for SCDM})$$

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• mass variance

$$\left\langle \delta(\vec{x}) \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{\rho(\vec{x}) - \overline{\rho}}{\overline{\rho}} \right\rangle = \frac{\left\langle \rho(\vec{x}) \right\rangle - \overline{\rho}}{\overline{\rho}} = 0$$

$$\sigma_M^2 = \sum_{\vec{k}} \left\langle \left| \hat{\delta}(\vec{k}) \right|^2 \right\rangle_{|\vec{k}| = k} \quad \Rightarrow \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \iiint P(k) d^3k = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty P(k) k^2 dk$$

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- linearly extrapolate P(k) to $z = 0 \implies P(k, z=0)$

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$$k_{\rm nl}$$
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 $- \operatorname{set} B \ge 2\pi/k_{\mathrm{nl}}$

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note: P(k, z=0) is tabulated in the provided files

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 $B \ge 20 \ h^{-1}$ Mpc for Λ CDM

- generating IC's in practice
 - initial redshift not too late, not too early

$$\vec{x}(t) = \vec{q} + D(t)\vec{S}(\vec{q})$$







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$$\mathcal{O}_{Box}^{2}(a_{i}) = \frac{1}{2\pi^{2}} \int_{2\pi/B}^{\pi/(B/\sqrt[3]{N})} P_{i}(k)k^{2}dk$$

$$P_{i}(k) = \frac{D(a_{i})}{D(a=1)}P(k,z=0)$$

$$\sigma_{\rm Box}(a_i) \le 0.1 - 0.2$$

<u>Note:</u> PMmodels.f returns σ_{Box} for the initial (trial) redshift -> iteratively change z_i until criterion satisfied...

- generating IC's in practice
 - initial redshift not too late, not too early



problems with this method of generating IC's?

$$\sigma_M^2(r) = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty P_i(k) \hat{W}(kr) k^2 dk$$
$$\hat{W}(x) = \frac{3}{x^3} (\sin x - x \cos x)$$



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"Glass" IC's

alternative - Glass IC's

"Grid" IC's



alternative - Glass IC's

• random positions for N particles

• evolve them forward in time under their mutual gravity (i.e. *N*-body code), but: reverse the sign of gravity!

• use this "Glass" as Lagrangian positions q for Zel'dovich approximation



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sampling variance

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sampling variance

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sampling variance

$$\vec{x}(t) = \vec{q} + D(t)\vec{S}(\vec{q})$$



sampling variance

• effects of the sampling variance...

generate a suite of IC's with different random realisations of R_1 and R_2

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sampling variance

• effects of the sampling variance...



...scatter can be as large as 20% for properties of individual objects (Knebe & Dominguez 2003)

zoom simulations

- run a low resolution simulation
- identify an interesting object
- trace back particles of that object to Lagrangian positions in IC's
- re-sample waves in that area with more particles
- re-run the whole simulation

zoom simulations



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Visualisation of N-body Simulations

Software:PVIEW http://astronomy.swin.edu.au/PVIEW/

Stuart Gill, Paul Bourke Simulation data by Dr Alexander Knebe

> Astrophysics and Supercomputing Swinburne University
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Constrained Simulations

$$\dot{\vec{x}}(t) = \dot{D}(t)\vec{S}(\vec{q})$$

(Knebe et al. 2009)

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Constrained Simulations



(Cosmic Flow 2 team, http://www.ipnl.in2p3.fr/projet/cosmicflows)

Constrained Simulations



 $D = \frac{5}{2}\Omega_0 \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \int_{t_0}^t \frac{1}{\dot{a}^2} dt'$

Constrained Simulations



Zel'dovich vs. 2nd order LPT



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choose cosmological model

 $\Lambda CDM?!$

 \Rightarrow cosmological power spectrum of density perturbations P(k)

choose box size
choose number of particles
N³

 \Rightarrow put them down on regular NxNxN grid

• choose starting redshift z_i

=> use Zel'dovich approximation to displace particles according to P(k)

available codes:

- N-genIC
- 2LPTic
- Panphasia
- ginnungagap
- MPgrafic
- PMstartM

http://www.mpa-garching.mpg.de/gadget
http://cosmo.nyu.edu/roman/2LPT
http://icc.dur.ac.uk/Panphasia.php
http://code.google.com/p/ginnungagap
http://www2.iap.fr/users/pichon/mpgrafic.html
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