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# HALOGEN

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#### PREMISE

- Completely statistical reconstruction of halo catalogue.
- Primarily fit:
  - Number density
  - Halo mass function
  - 2-point correlation function (2PCF)
- Philosophy of "do the dumbest thing, and improve if necessary".
- HALOgen is in relatively early development
- In terms of comparison, most similar to QPM.

#### OUTLINE OF METHOD

- 1. Use 2LPT to achieve a fast realization of the large-scale density field. [Very Easy: Someone Else Wrote It]
- 2. Generate halo masses using statistical inverse CDF method with analytic fitting functions. [Easy]
- Place halos onto 2LPT "scaffolding" to fit the 2PCF.
  [Hard]

#### 2LPT SCAFFOLDING

- Very fast.
- Large scales (>4Mpc/h) essentially correct.
- Damped power on small scales, especially at late times.
- Used to quickly localize placement positions for halos.





#### **GENERATING THE HMF**

- Assume analytic fit for n(>m)
- Then  $n(>M_{h,\min}) = \overline{n}_h \Longrightarrow M_{h,\min}$
- And  $N_h = \overline{n}_h L^3$
- Use Inverse-CDF to get  $N_h$  samples from the CDF

$$X \sim \frac{n(>m)}{n(>M_{h,\min})}, X \in (M_{h,\min}, 10^{17})$$

- Similar to QPM.
- Error determined by:
  - Error in fitting function (~10%)
  - Poisson Noise (controlled by L)



#### PLACING THE HALOS (la parte difícil)

- Step 0 (the "dumbest" idea): Random placement.
- Fast; Roughly correct shape.
- Wrong amplitude; halos can overlap arbitrarily.



- Step 1: Halo exclusion
- Better small-scale cut-off.
- Slightly slower; amplitude still wrong.



- Step 2: Mass conservation.
- Less small-scale structure (better shape)
- More conceptually involved; Slightly slower; Amplitude *still* wrong.



- An Idea: Ranked-ordered placement
- Slightly faster
- Over-predicts correlations; inflexible



- Step 3: Control stochasticity/bias
  - Random too stochastic (low); Ranked too biased (high).
  - Parameterize amplitude with  $P_i \propto f(M_i), i \in 1, ..., N_{cell}$

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- In particular,  $P_i \propto M_i^{\alpha}$ ,  $\alpha \ge 0$
- Amplitude can be fit
- Extra parameter; slower;
  α has to be *fit*.



- Step 4: Connect with bias
  - Cosmologically,  $P(\rho \mid M_h) \propto f(\rho, M_h) P(\rho)$
  - So  $P_i \propto f(M_i, M_h) = M_i^{\alpha(M_h)}$
  - Determine  $\alpha(M_h)$  in mass bins.
- Bias function correct
- Fitting procedure takes ~400 times a single run.
  - Only run once
  - Can be run on a small box to improve performance.

#### HALOGEN CHARACTERISTICS



#### PERFORMANCE

- Performance roughly  $T \propto N_{part}^3 + N_h N_{cell}^3$
- Excluding 2LPT,
  - N<sub>h</sub>=5,500,000, N<sub>cell</sub>=160  $\rightarrow$  40min on single node with 12 cores
- Not easily scalable, because placement is orderdependent. May change.
- Fitting  $\alpha$  is costly, but only done once
  - Use smaller box/less cells.

#### **THANK YOU**