Higher-oder statistics in cosmic shear... ... improved confidence for cosmological parameters!

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Why care about cosmological parameters?



What is cosmic shear?



Why use cosmic shear?



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Why do we need higher-oder statistics?

Non-Gaussianities in LSS



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Why do we need higher-oder statistics?

- Non-Gaussianities in LSS
- Break degeneracies



Why do we need higher-oder statistics?

- Non-Gaussianities in LSS
- Break degeneracies
- Control nuisance parameters



Persistent homology of aperture masses



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Persistent homology vs peak statistics



A peak in a sublevel filtration. Adapted from Heydenreich et al. (2021)

Persistent homology vs peak statistics



Visualising persistent homology: the persistence diagram



Statistics on persistence diagrams: the persistence heatmap



Interpreting the data with PCA



Statistics on persistence diagrams: the persistence heatmap



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Shape of the data vector



Top: extracted data vector of the heatmaps

Bottom: extracted data vector normalised by the mean of the SLICS

Validating on mock data



Analysis of DES-Y1



Consistency of S₈ measured in DES-Y1



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Regarding the Tension in $\Omega_{_m}$

- Stable to all tested analysis choices
 - Training Set
 - Scale cut-offs
 - Emulator vs Theory
 - Systematics marginalisation
- Confirmed by independent analysis from Harnois-Deraps et al. (2021)

Assessing the tension



Blue: Histogram of measured tension between persistent homology and 2pcf in mock simulations

Orange: Gaussian fit

Black dashed: Tension measured in DES-Y1

Regarding the Tension in Ω_m

- Persistent Homology is sensitive to non-Gaussian information
 - Pranav (2021): Anomalies in the CMB at super-horizon scales
 - Biagetti et al. (2022): PH is sensitive to primordial non-Gaussianities



Fisher-forecast for primordial NG in PH. Taken from Biagetti et al. (2022)

Regarding the Tension in $\Omega_{\rm m}$

- We measure a tension in Ω_m , but **can we trust it?**
- Improved confidence intervals are only as good as our confidence in the method

Work in progress – third order lensing statistics



$$\Gamma^{(0)} = \gamma_{ttt} - \gamma_{t\times\times} - \gamma_{\times t\times} - \gamma_{\times\times t} + i\gamma_{tt\times} + \gamma_{t\times t} + \gamma_{\times tt} - \gamma_{\times\times x}$$

$$\Gamma^{(1)} = \gamma_{ttt} - \gamma_{t\times\times} + \gamma_{\times t\times} + \gamma_{\times\times t} + i\gamma_{tt\times} + \gamma_{t\times t} - \gamma_{\times tt} + \gamma_{\times\times x}$$

$$\Gamma^{(2)} = \gamma_{ttt} + \gamma_{t\times\times} - \gamma_{\times t\times} + \gamma_{\times\times t} + i\gamma_{tt\times} - \gamma_{t\times t} + \gamma_{\times tt} + \gamma_{\times\times x}$$

$$\Gamma^{(3)} = \gamma_{ttt} + \gamma_{t\times\times} + \gamma_{\times t\times} - \gamma_{\times\times t} + i - \gamma_{tt\times} + \gamma_{\times tt} + \gamma_{\times tt} + \gamma_{\times\times x}$$

Work in progress – third order lensing statistics



Main advantage: direct modelling possible

Direct modelling allows for consistency checks



Tests for the 3pcf...



... and third-order aperture masses



Third-order aperture mass statistics from a cosmological model compared to results from N-body simulations

Combined analysis improves constraints



Summary

persistent Homology

- Very powerful on its own
- Interpretable datavector
- Highly sensitive to non-Gaussian effects
- Applicable to all kinds of data

Third-order statistics

- Most powerful in combination with 2nd-order statistics
- Direct modelling allows for more consistency checks and better nuisance parameter constraints
- E-/B-mode decomposition yields more robustness

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Impact of systematics



Top: Impact of unmarginalised systematics

Bottom: Impact of marginalisation over systematics

Combined analysis of full-scale map

