





(See also d'Amico, Senatore, Lewandowski, Zhang)

# **Constraining Inflation with BOSS DR12**

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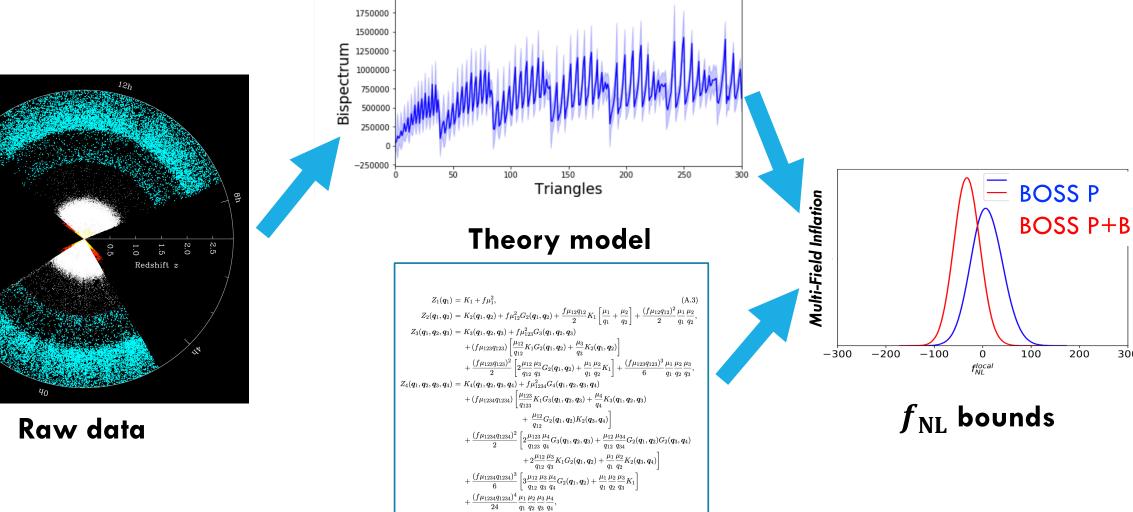
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### FROM GALAXY SURVEYS TO INFLATION



**Summary statistics** 

#### SDSS-III, Philcox+22, Cabass+22

200

300

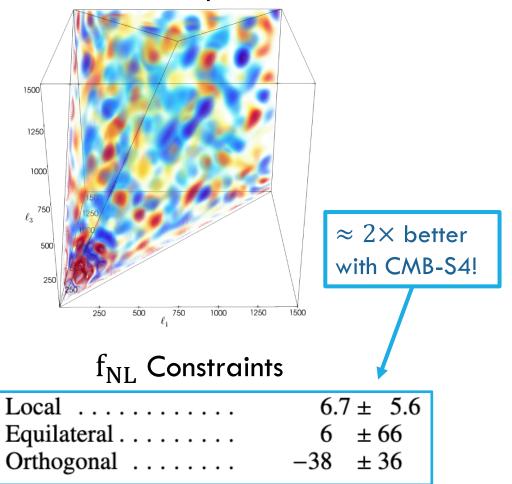
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#### 1. CMB Bispectrum

See Will's talk!

#### Planck TTT Bispectrum



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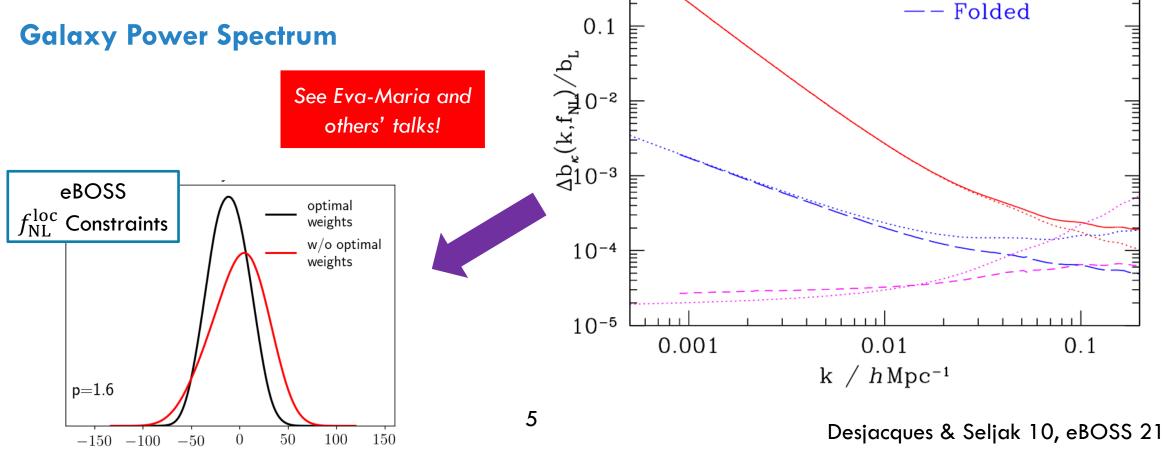
Scale-Dependent Bias

— Local

--- Equilateral

**CMB** Bispectrum

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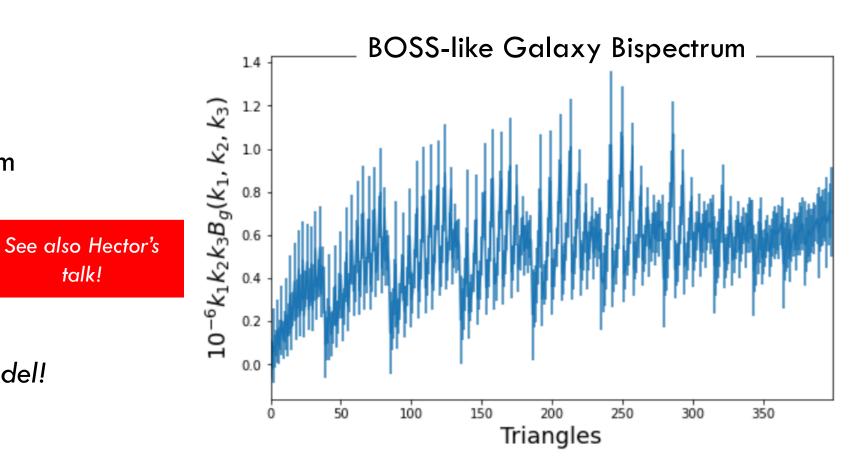
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talk!

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- **Galaxy Power Spectrum** 2.
- **Galaxy Bispectrum** 3.

We need a good theory model!



### THE EFFECTIVE FIELD THEORY OF LSS

> Analytic theory for  $\delta(\mathbf{x})$ , based on the non-ideal fluid equations

 $\dot{\nabla}^{i} + H \nabla^{i} + \nabla^{j} \delta_{j} \nabla^{i} = \frac{4}{2} \delta_{j} \mathcal{T}^{j}$ 

> A <u>controlled</u> Taylor series in  $k/k_{\rm NL}$ (or  $k\sigma_{\rm FoG}$ ,  $kR_{\rm Halo}$ )

Major Ingredient: Back-reaction of smallscale physics on large-scale modes



### **MODELLING PNG**

Theory model requires:

Primordial bispectrum:

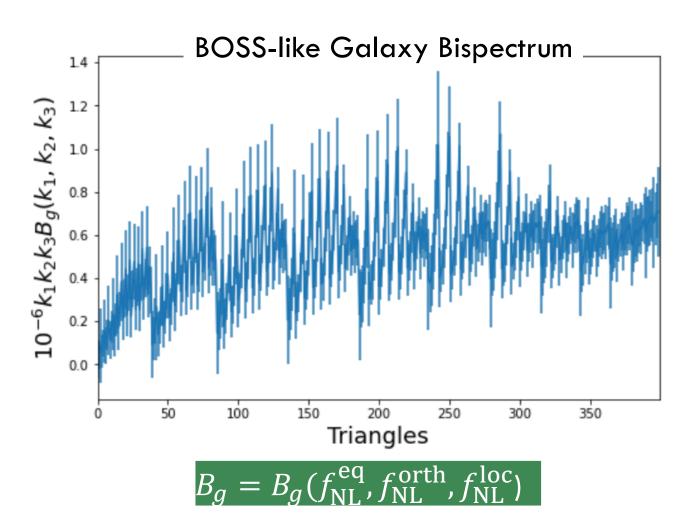
 $\left< \delta^{(1)} \delta^{(1)} \delta^{(1)} \right> \sim f_{\rm NL} P^2(k)$ 

Scale dependent bias:

 $b_1(f_{\rm NL}) \rightarrow b_1 + (b_{\phi} f_{\rm NL})/k^2$ 

Loop corrections:

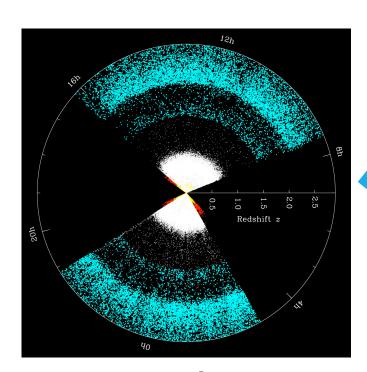
$$P_{gg}(\mathbf{k}) \rightarrow P_{gg}(\mathbf{k}) + f_{\rm NL} \int d\mathbf{q} \, \alpha \, P(\mathbf{q}) P(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{q})$$



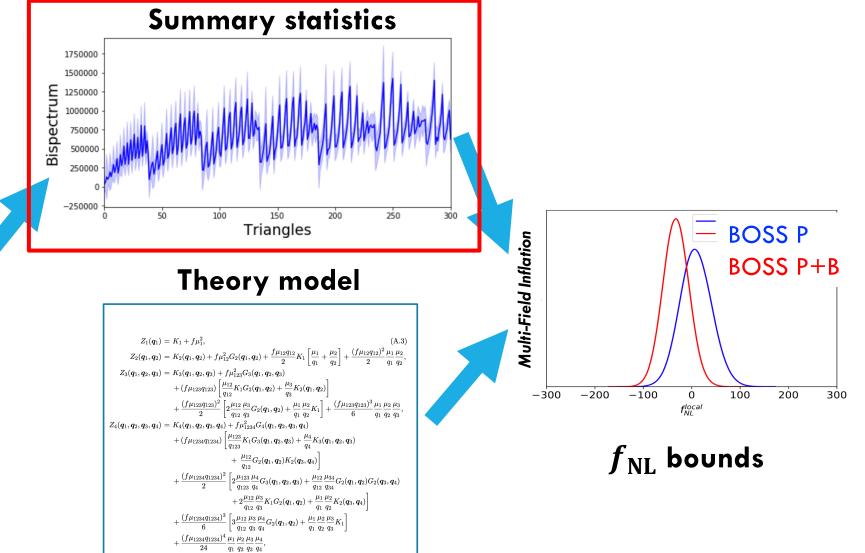
See <u>GitHub.com/michalychforever/CLASS-PT</u>

#### Cabass+21,22 (see also d'Amico+22)

### FROM GALAXY SURVEYS TO INFLATION



Raw data



SDSS-III, Philcox+22, Cabass+22

### HOW TO MEASURE A BISPECTRUM

We usually measure the **window-convolved** bispectrum

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#### Three options:

- 1. Explicitly perform convolution integral [very expensive!]
- 2. Make approximations [robust?]
- 3. Circumvent the problem!

Survey Mask,  $W(\mathbf{r})$ 



See Kevin's talk!

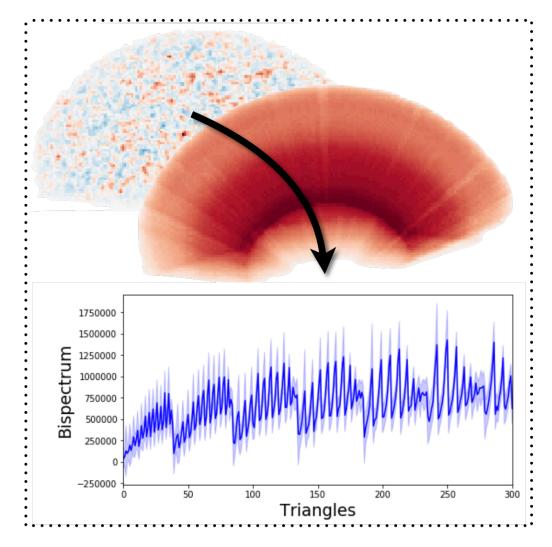
### **BISPECTRA WITHOUT WINDOWS**

Estimate the **unwindowed** bispectrum directly

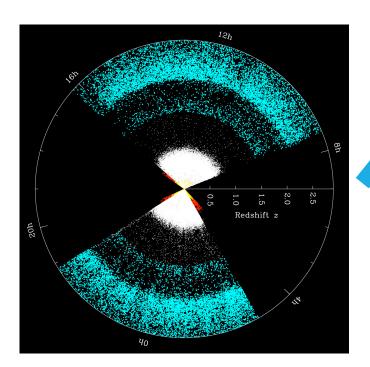
$$B_g^{\min}(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) = \int_{\mathbf{p}_1 \mathbf{p}_2} W(\mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{p}_1) W(\mathbf{k}_2 - \mathbf{p}_2) W(\mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{k}_2) B_g(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)$$

We use a **maximum-likelihood** estimator for the **true** bispectrum

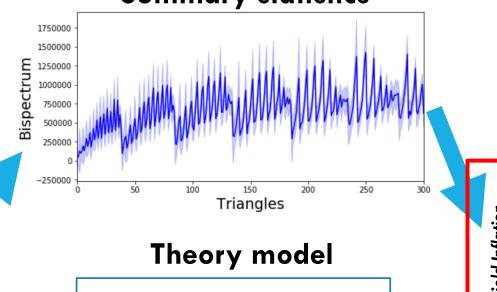
$$\nabla_{B_g} L[\text{data}|B_g] = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \widehat{B}_g = \cdots$$



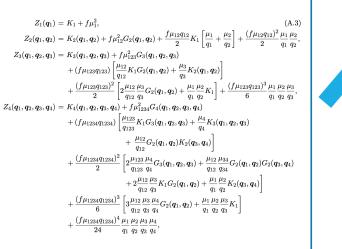
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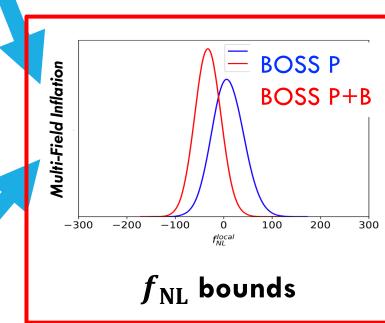


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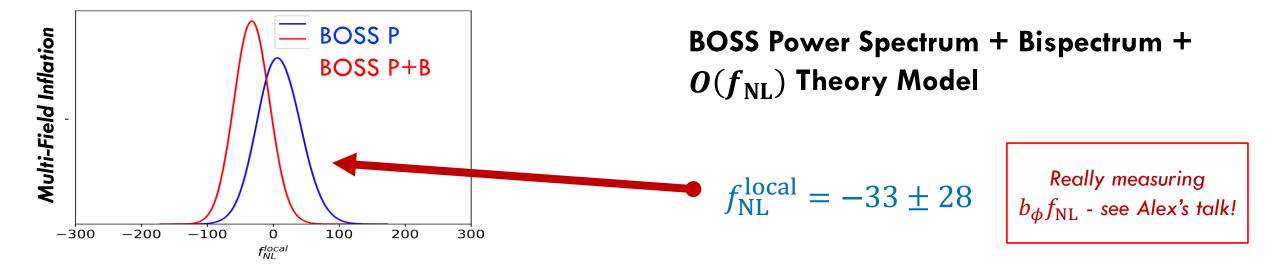
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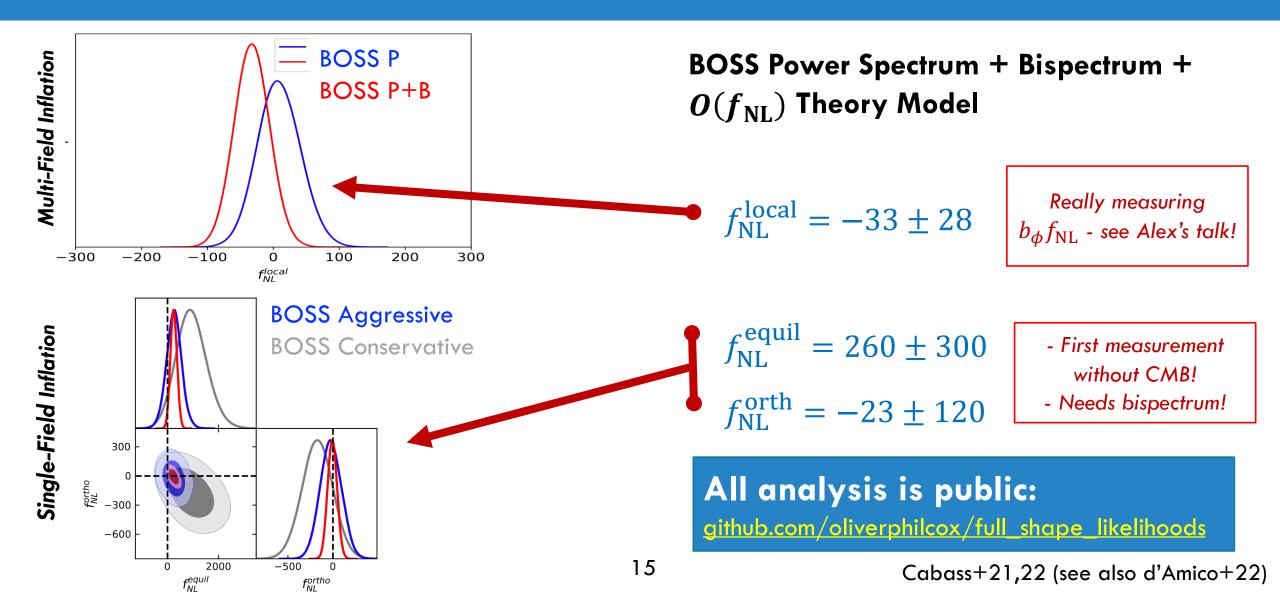
# CONSTRAINTS ON $f_{\rm NL}$



#### All analysis is public:

github.com/oliverphilcox/full\_shape\_likelihoods

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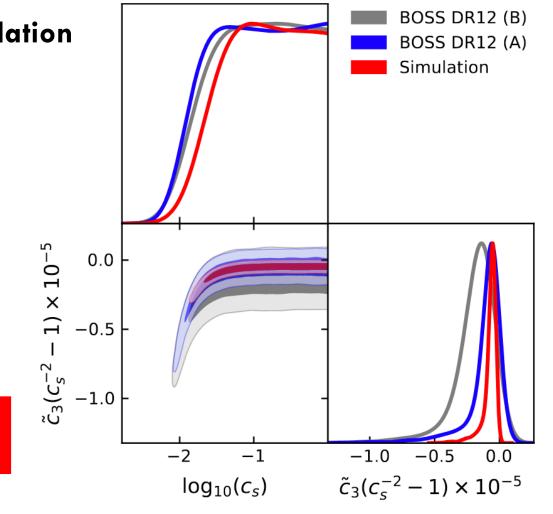
### **CONSTRAINING INFLATION**

We can relate  $f_{\rm NL}$  to the **couplings** in the **EFT of Inflation** 

Most general 3<sup>rd</sup> order single-field action:

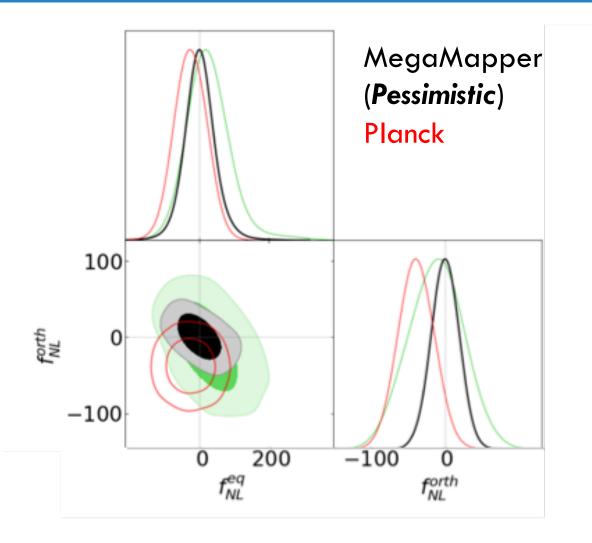
$$\begin{split} S_{\rm EFT} &= \int d^4 x \sqrt{-g} \Biggl[ -\frac{M_{\rm P}^2 \dot{H}}{c_s^2} \left( \dot{\pi}^2 - c_s^2 \frac{(\boldsymbol{\nabla}\pi)^2}{a^2} \right) \\ &+ \frac{M_{\rm P}^2 \dot{H}}{c_s^2} (1 - c_s^2) \left( \frac{\dot{\pi} (\boldsymbol{\nabla}\pi)^2}{a^2} - \left( 1 + \frac{2}{3} \frac{\tilde{c}_3}{c_s^2} \right) \dot{\pi}^3 \right) \Biggr] \end{split}$$

We find  $c_s^2 \ge 0.013$  at 95% CL



See Ana's talk!

### FUTURE PROSPECTS



#### MegaMapper gets better nonlocal PNG constraints than Planck

# • Actual constraints will use higher $k_{\max}$ :

- Higher redshift
- Better modelling

Cabass+21,22 (see also d'Amico+22)

> We can measure local  $f_{\rm NL}$  from the nonlinear bispectrum using consistency relations

$$B(\boldsymbol{q}, \boldsymbol{k}) = \frac{6f_{\rm NL}\Omega_{m,0}H_0^2}{D_{\rm md}(z)} \frac{\partial P(k)}{\partial \log \sigma_8^2} \frac{P(q)}{q^2 T(q)} + \mathcal{O}(f_{\rm NL}^2)$$

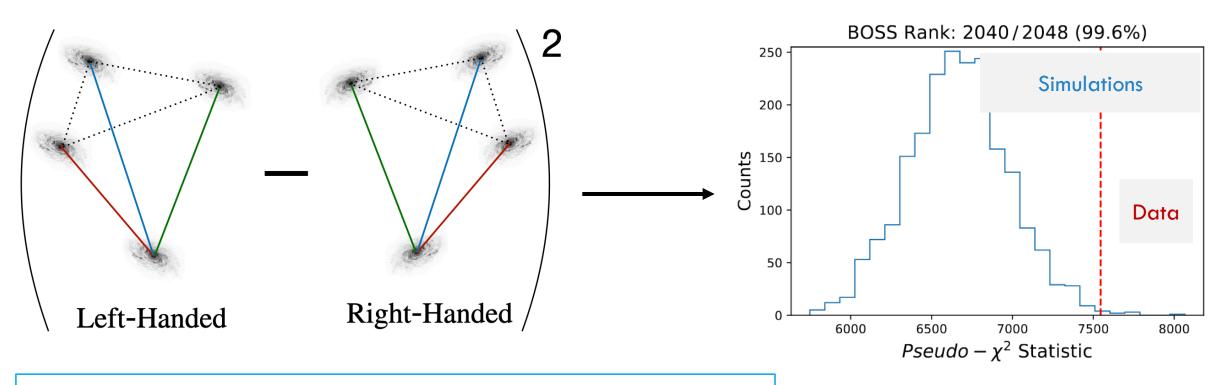
> This gives **accurate**  $f_{\rm NL}^{\rm loc}$  constraints for matter at  $k = 0.6h/{
m Mpc}$ 

Squeezed bispectra  $\times 10^7$  $f_{\rm NL} = 100$ 8  $B(q) (\mathrm{Mpc}/h)^6$  $\mathbf{2}$ 0 0.03 0.050.000.01 0.020.040.06q (h/Mpc)





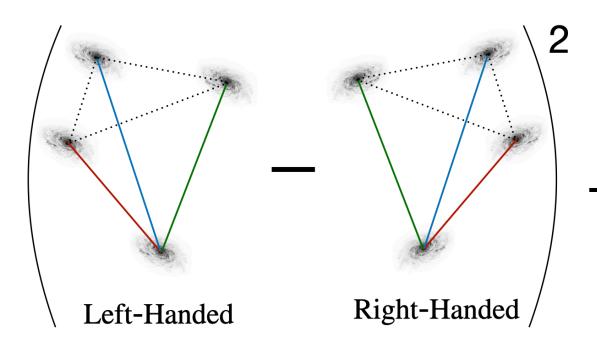
### **OTHER IDEAS: PARITY-ODD 4-POINT FUNCTIONS**



#### Conclusions

- Simulations do not capture noise properties of the data
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### **BONUS: PARITY-ODD 4-POINT FUNCTIONS**



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#### The universe is surprisingly lopsided and we don't know why

Two analyses of a million galaxies show that their distribution may not be symmetrical, which may mean that our understandings of gravity and the early universe are incorrect

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# CONCLUSIONS

• We can measure **any** type of 3-point PNG using the galaxy **power spectrum** and **bispectrum** 

 Constraints are weak compared to the CMB but will get much stronger soon!

 We can learn more from non-perturbative physics and higher-point functions!