Latest results from BOSS (and as they're delayed a look at future surveys)

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including work by the BOSS galaxy clustering working group







The standard "model" for cosmology



Concordance cosmology



Percival et al. 2009; arXiv:0907.1660

The problem of Λ

 Λ CDM fits all (believable?) current data well It's the simplest (mathematical) model available But ... we cannot explain Λ with physics

• why so small?

$$\rho_{\Lambda}|_{\text{obs}} = \frac{\Lambda}{8\pi G} \sim (10^{-3} \,\text{eV})^4$$
$$\rho_{\Lambda}|_{\text{theory}} \sim (M_{\text{new physics}})^4 \sim (1 \,\text{TeV})^4 >> \rho_{\Lambda}|_{\text{obs}}$$

why so fine tuned?

 $\rho_{\Lambda} \lesssim \rho_{m}$: crucial for structure formation but $\rho_{\Lambda} \propto a^{0}$ while $\rho_{m} \propto a^{-3}$

Many alternative explanations

- modify gravity on large-scales or at low densities?
- more general scalar field model?
- link with Dark Matter?
- back-reaction from structure growth?

Cosmology from galaxy surveys



Why BAO measurements are needed



Planck collaboration 2013; arXiv:1303.5076

Why RSD measurements are needed



Wang 2008: JCAP, 05, 21

What does "galaxy clustering" mean?



The Baryon Oscillation Spectroscopic Survey (BOSS)

Baryon Oscillation Spectroscopic Survey



- Duration: Fall 2009 Summer 2014, dark time
- Telescope: 2.5m Sloan
- Upgrade to SDSS-II spectrograph
 - 1000 smaller fibers
 - higher throughput
- Spectra:
 - $-3600^{\circ} \text{A} < \lambda < 10, 000^{\circ} \text{A}$ New spectrograph
 - $-R = \lambda/\Delta\lambda = 1300 3000$
 - (S/N) at mag. limit
 - 22 per pix. (averaged over 7000-8500Å)
 - 10 per pix. (averaged over 4000-5500Å)
- Area: 10,000 deg2
- Targets:
 - 1.5 × 10⁶ massive galaxies, z < 0.7, i < 19.9</p>
 - -1.5×10^5 quasars, z>2.2, g<22.0 selected from 4 \times 10⁵ candidates
 - 75,000 ancillary science targets, many categories
- Measurements from Galaxies:
 - $d_A(z)$ to 1.2% at z = 0.35 and 1.2% z = 0.6
 - H(z) to 2.2% at z = 0.35 and 2.0% at z = 0.6
- Measurements from Lyα Forest:

 $-d_A(z)$ to 4.5% at z = 2.5 H(z) to 2.6% at z = 2.5



Data Release 9 (DR9)

 $(e^{0})^{4}$

- 264 283 massive galaxies
- 3275 deg²
- effective redshift z = 0.57 and redshift range 0.43 < z < 0.7
- effective volume of 2.2 Gpc³ (Assuming ACDM)
- largest sample of the Universe ever surveyed at this density,
 n ≈ 3 × 10⁻⁴h⁻³Mpc³



Baryon Acoustic Oscillations

Baryon Acoustic Oscillations (BAO)





(images from Martin White)

To first approximation, comoving BAO wavelength is determined by the comoving sound horizon at recombination

$$r_s = \frac{1}{H_0 \Omega_m^{1/2}} \int_0^{a_*} da \frac{c_s}{(a + a_{eq})^{1/2}}$$

comoving sound horizon ~110h⁻¹Mpc, BAO wavelength 0.06hMpc⁻¹



BAO as a standard ruler



BOSS DR9 CMASS isotropic clustering



Measuring a distance

Fit the observed acoustic feature using some way to parameterize over nuisance broad-band features (different approaches for P(k) and $\xi(r)$)

Use a fiducial model to compare against observed features in spherically averaged statistics. Departures quantified by dilation scale α :

 $P(k/\alpha) \xi(\alpha r)$

The dilation scale a depends on cosmology (for an analysis of all galaxies over all directions) through:

 $D_V / r_s = \alpha (D_V / r_s)_{fid}$ $D_V = [cz(1 + z)^2 d_A^2 H^{-1}]^{1/3}$



Reconstruction of linear positions



Padmanabhan et al. 2012; arXiv:1202.0090

Reconstruction on DR9 CMASS mocks



Reconstruction: error on a



Anderson et al. 2012

SDSS collaboration, in prep

Isotropic DR9 BAO measurements

	α	χ^2/dof	$D_V/r_s(z=0.57)$						
Before Reconstruction									
$\overline{\xi(r)}$	1.016 ± 0.017	30.53/39	13.44 ± 0.22						
P(k)	1.022 ± 0.017	81.5/59	13.52 ± 0.22						
After Reconstruction									
$\xi(r)$	1.024 ± 0.016	34.53/39	13.55 ± 0.21						
P(k)	1.042 ± 0.016	61.1/59	13.78 ± 0.21						
Consensus	1.033 ± 0.017		13.67 ± 0.22						

- ξ(r) and P(k) based estimations are appropriate and unbiased, but they include the noise from small scales and shot noise differently
- We average the two results, and compute the error bar using the observed scatter of the average value in the mocks. This shows no significant departure from a Gaussian distribution

Anisotropic fits ...



Anderson et al. 2013

Anisotropic fits ...

	$D_{ m A}(z)(r_s^{ m fid}/r_{ m s})$	$H(z)(r_{ m s}/r_{s}^{ m fid})$	$ ho_{D_AH}$						
Before Reconstruction									
$(\xi_0(s),\xi_2(s))$	1367 ± 44	86.6 ± 6.2	0.65						
$(\xi_{\perp}(s),\xi_{\parallel}(s))$	1379 ± 42	88.3 ± 5.1	0.52						
After Reconstruction									
$(\xi_0(s),\xi_2(s))$	1424 ± 43	95.4 ± 7.5	0.63						
$(\xi_{\perp}(s),\xi_{\parallel}(s))$	1386 ± 36	90.6 ± 6.7	0.50						
Consensus	1408 ± 45	92.9 ± 7.8	0.55						

- correlation function is easier to split into line-of-sight and transverse directions
- can decompose into multipoles or other bases (e.g. wedges see Kazin et al. 2013)
- Results are consistent and a concordance value is given

DR9 Measurements vs WMAP



Planck BAO "predictions"



Full fits to anisotropic clustering

Clustering as a function of direction



Redshift-Space Distortions



Observed redshift depends on both Hubble expansion and additional "peculiar velocity"

Galaxies move because cosmological structure is growing

Resulting change in redshift is coherent with structure

extra component depends on amplitudes of peculiar velocities

Actual shape

Apparent shape of over-density (viewed from below) $f(z)\sigma_8(z) \propto \frac{dG}{d\log a}$

where G is the linear growth rate

The Alcock-Paczynski Effect

If the Universe is isotropic, clustering is same radial & tangential

Stretching at a single redshift slice (for galaxies expanding with Universe) depends on

 $H^{-1}(z)$ (radial)

 $D_A(z)$ (angular)

Analyze with wrong model -> see anisotropy

AP effect measures $D_A(z)H(z)$

RSD limits test (on amplitude) to scales where can be modeled

Degeneracy between AP & RSD



Dotted: free growth, geometry, ACDM prior on large-scale linear P(k) shape at z=0.57

Solid: F forced to match ACDM model

Dashed: WMAP ACDM+GR prediction

Cosmology improved with RSD

- Anisotropic clustering allows huge improvement on w!
- w = -0.95 ± 0.25 (WMAP + $D_v(0.57)/r_s$)
- w = -0.88 ± 0.055 (WMAP + anisotropic)
- Provided a number of GR tests



Matter density measurement from shape



Sanchez et al.

next 18 months

BOSS DR9 galaxies



BOSS DR10 galaxies



BOSS DR11 galaxies



What to expect for DR11?



SDSS collaboration, in prep

next 4-6 years

Dark Energy Survey (DES)

- New wide-field camera for the 4m Blanco telescope
- Commissioning currently finishing, Survey due to start September 2013
- $\Omega = 5,000 \text{deg}^2$
- multi-colour optical imaging (g,r,i,z) with link to IR data from VISTA hemisphere survey
- 300,000,000 galaxies
- Aim is to constrain dark energy using 4 probes LSS/BAO, weak lensing, supernovae cluster number density
- Redshifts based on photometry weak radial measurements weak redshift-space distortions
- See also: Pan-STARRS, VST-VISTA, SkyMapper









eBOSS / SDSS-IV

- The new cosmology project with SDSS
- Use the Sloan telescope and MOS to observe to higher redshift
- Basic parameters
 - $\Omega = 1,500 \text{deg}^2 7,500 \text{deg}^2$
 - ~ 1,000,000 galaxies (direct BAO)
 - ~ 60,000 quasars (BAO from Ly- α forest)
- Distance measurements
 - 0.9% at z=0.8 (LRGs)
 - 1.8% at z=0.9 (ELGs)
 - 2.0% at z=1.5 (QSOs)
 - 1.1% at z=2.5 (Ly-α forest, inc. BOSS)
- Survey will start 2014, lasting 6 years
- Received \$10M from Sloan foundation and significant funding from partners



eBOSS:

Measuring the Expansion History of the Universe between 7 and 11 billions of light years with Galaxies & Quasars

Discovery Space



Size of the observable universe : 90 billion light years

eBOSS targets

- LRGs WISE+SDSS selected aiming for z~0.8 galaxies
- ELGs SCUSS (u-band)+SDSS, South only (+DES over some area)
- QSOs WISE+SDSS selected

Galaxies	Redshifts	Target sky density	Total area	Target success	Number of good redshifts	Distance precision	Effective volume
LRG	0.7 <z<0.9< td=""><td>60deg⁻²</td><td>7500deg²</td><td>95%</td><td>430k</td><td>0.8%</td><td>4.7 Gpc³</td></z<0.9<>	60deg ⁻²	7500deg ²	95%	430k	0.8%	4.7 Gpc ³
ELG	0.6 <z<1.0< td=""><td>180deg-2</td><td>1500deg²</td><td>80%</td><td>216k</td><td>2.0%</td><td>2.3 Gpc³</td></z<1.0<>	180deg-2	1500deg ²	80%	216k	2.0%	2.3 Gpc ³
QSO	0.9 <z<2.3 all</z<2.3 	105deg-2	7500deg ²	70% 90%	525k 700k	1.5%	6.6 Gpc ³
Lya QSO	z>2.15	5+22deg-2	5000deg ²	30%	64k (+revisit)	-	-

eBOSS BAO measurements



eBOSS further science

- DES eBOSS overlap
 - ~500 deg² overlap with eBOSS in Southern sky
 - Synergy by "Cross-Correlation" of imaging and spectroscopic surveys for cosmological constraints (BAO+RSD+WL)
 - eBOSS will play a critical role allowing high-precision calibration of photo-z through cross-correlation
- eBOSS science will include many other cross-correlation opportunities
 - internally in eBOSS (LRG-ELG, LRG-QSO, ELG-QSO, CMASS-QSO, QSO absorbers-Galaxies ...)
 - U-band, WISE, Planck temperature, Planck lensing, eROSITA, DES, HSC, HETDEX ...

eBOSS strategy / timeline



Footprint depends on:

- SDSS-IV timeshare between projects
- DES coverage (500deg² overlap)
- SCUSS u-band survey on SGC (using Bok at Kitt-Peak)
- eROSITA (German sky) for additional follow-up program

Start date: summer 2014, but could be earlier!

Duration: 6 years

>4 years

MOS on 4m-telescope

- New fibre-fed spectroscopes proposed for 4m telescopes
 - Mayall (BigBOSS)
 - Blanco (DESpec)
 - WHT (WEAVE)
 - VISTA (4MOST)
- Various stages of planning & funding
 - DESi now funded
 - 4MOST chosen by ESO, 1-year delay
 - WEAVE waiting for UK/Spain/Holland/France

DESi

- All capable of observing
 - Ω =5--14,000deg²
 - 2--20,000,000 galaxies (direct BAO)
 - 1--600,000 quasars (BAO from Ly-α forest)
 - Cosmic variance limited to z ~ 1.4



MOS on 10m-telescope

- New fibre-fed spectroscopes proposed for 10m telescopes
 - Hobby-Eberly (HETDEX)
 - Subaru (PFS)
- Different baseline strategies
- HETDEX
 - 420deg² Ly-alpha emitters
 - 800,000 galaxies 1.9<z<3.5
 - Greig, Komatsu & Wyithe, 2012, arXiv:12120977
 - PFS
 - 1400deg² ELGs
 - 3,000,000 galaxies 0.6<z<2.4
 - Ellis et al., 2012, arXiv:1206.0737



The Euclid spectroscopic survey

- Wide survey
 - 15,000deg²
 - 4 dithers
 - NIR Photometry
 - Y, J, H
 - 24mag, 5σ point source
 - NIR slitless spectroscopy
 - 1100-2000nm
 - 3×10⁻¹⁶ergcm⁻²s⁻¹ 3.5σ line flux
 - 2 dispersion directions, 2 wavebands
 - 65M galaxies
 - Deep survey
 - 40deg²
 - 48 dithers
 - 12 passes, as for wide survey
 - dispersion directions for 12 passes >10deg apart



Distance measurements for future surveys



using the code of Seo & Eisenstein 2007, arXiv:0701079

RSD measurements for future surveys



using the code of White et al. 2008, arXiv:0810.1518

BOSS CMASS DR9 galaxy clustering



Predicted Euclid galaxy clustering



Improvement in precision



... but what about systematics? ...

Testing using mock catalogues

Mock catalogues

- 600 mocks created by populating 2LPT field using the CMASS HOD
- Redshift-space effects added based on 2LPT velocities
- Matches simulation large-scale clustering at 10% level
- Used to test method and estimate covariances



Reconstruction: error on a



Anderson et al. 2012; arXiv:1203.6565

Using mocks to test DR11 RSD measurements



Samushia et al. 2012; in prep

Testing with subsamples

Testing with blue / red subsamples



Ross et al. 2013, in prep

Testing with blue / red subsamples



Getting the likelihood right

Getting the likelihood calculation 100% correct

The Likelihood under the standard assumption of a set of data drawn from a multi-variate Gaussian distribution is given by

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{p}, \Psi^t) = \frac{|\Psi^t|}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\chi^2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}, \Psi^t)\right],$$

ere $\chi^2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}, \Psi^t) \equiv \sum_{ij} \left[x_i^d - x_i(\mathbf{p})\right] \Psi_{ij}^t \left[x_j^d - x_j(\mathbf{p})\right].$

now suppose that the covariance matrix (size n_b x n_b) has been calculated from n_s simulations

$$\mu_{i} = \frac{1}{n_{s}} \sum_{s} x_{i}^{s} \qquad C_{ij} = \frac{1}{n_{s} - 1} \sum_{s} (x_{i}^{s} - \mu_{i})(x_{j}^{s} - \mu_{j})$$

then an unbiased estimator of the inverse covariance matrix is

$$\Psi = \frac{n_s - n_b - 2}{n_s - 1} C^{-1}$$

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Hartlap J., Simon P., Schneider P., 2007, A&A, 464, 399

Errors in the covariance matrix

Simply providing an unbiased estimator of the inverse covariance matrix is not enough

The inverse covariance matrix also has its own error

$$\langle \Delta \Psi_{ij} \Delta \Psi_{i'j'} \rangle = A \Psi_{ij} \Psi_{i'j'} + B(\Psi_{ii'} \Psi_{jj'} + \Psi_{ij'} \Psi_{ji'}),$$

$$A = \frac{2}{(n_s - n_b - 1)(n_s - n_b - 4)}$$

$$B = \frac{(n_s - n_b - 2)}{(n_s - n_b - 1)(n_s - n_b - 4)}$$

Strictly, we should form a joint likelihood

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, \Psi | \mathbf{p}, \Psi^t) = \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{p}, \Psi) \mathcal{L}(\Psi | \Psi^t),$$

If we don't, this leads to an additional error on the np parameters being fitted

$$\langle p_{\alpha} p_{\beta} \rangle |_{s.o.} = B(n_b - n_p) F_{\alpha\beta}^{-1}$$

Taylor et al., 2012, arXiv:1212.4359; Dodelson & Schneider 2007, arXiv:1212.4359

Errors in likelihood calculations

Given a set of mocks, we can form two possible estimates of the errors:

- 1. From the individual likelihood surface from each mock
- 2. From the distribution of recovered measurements from the set of mocks

These should agree!

The estimates from each are biased in subtly different ways gives errors in the covariance matrix



Percival et al., MNRAS submitted

Application to BOSS



Percival et al., MNRAS submitted

Cosmology from galaxy surveys



Forthcoming surveys extremely exciting, but will require methodology development to reach statistical limit