

# Cosmology with galaxies : the small-scale miracle

Based on

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# Outline

Introduction: Cosmology with galaxies

I. Galaxy power spectrum

II. Non-linear covariances

III. Impact for a baseline cosmological analysis

IV. The power of small scales

# Cosmology with galaxies

# Why ?

# What is the source of cosmic acceleration ?

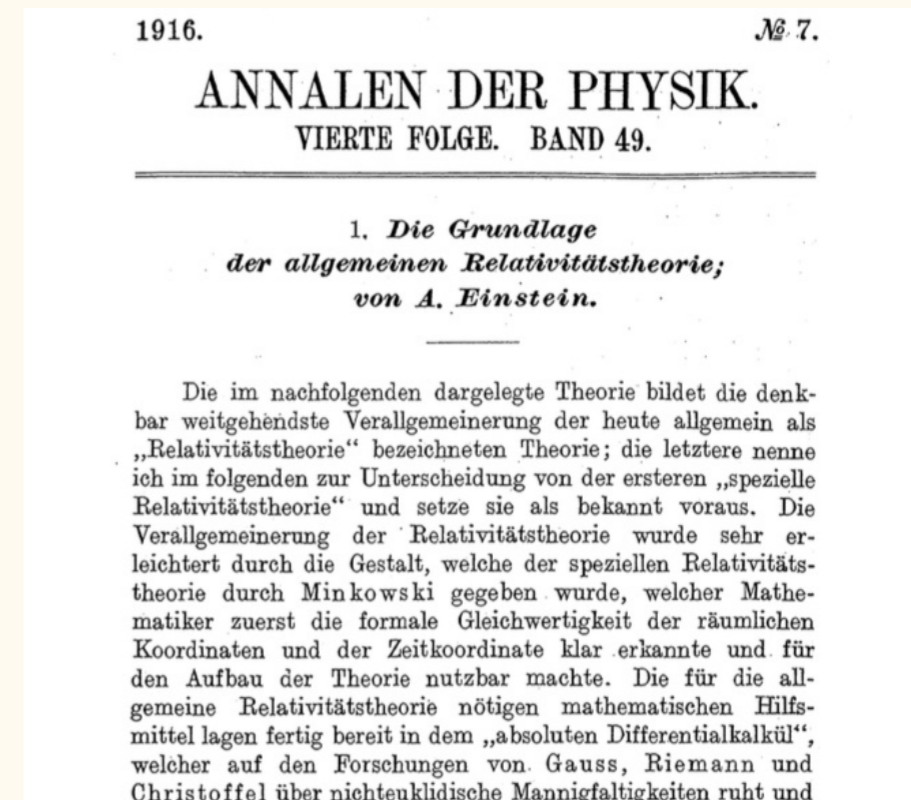
Discovered in 1998...



→ **Dark Energy**

# Is gravity described by General Relativity ?

Proposed in 1915...



→ (modified) **Gravity**

# How ?

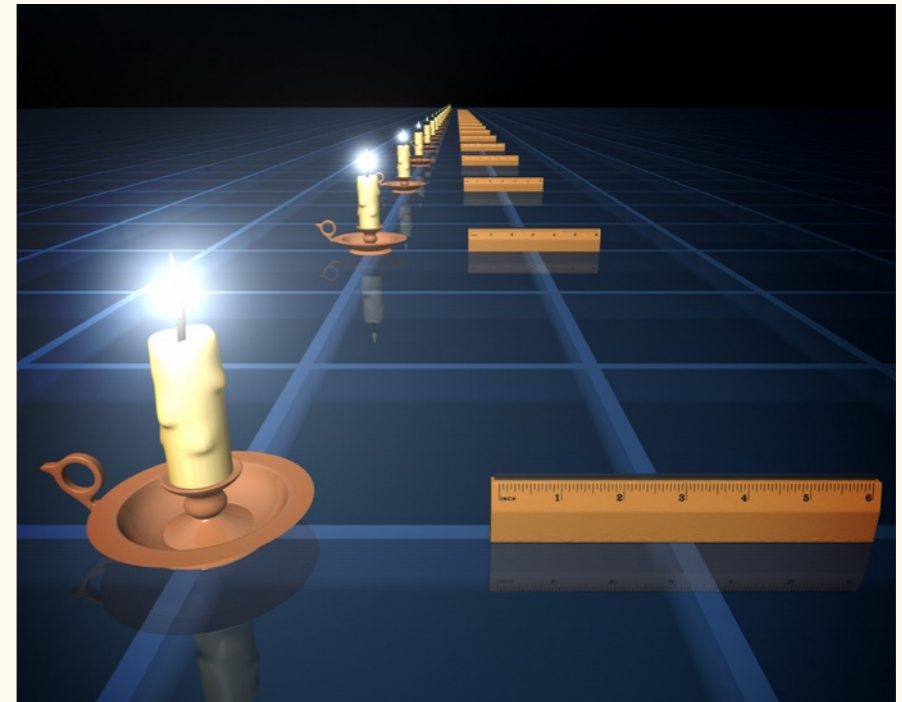
Two sources of information

# How ?

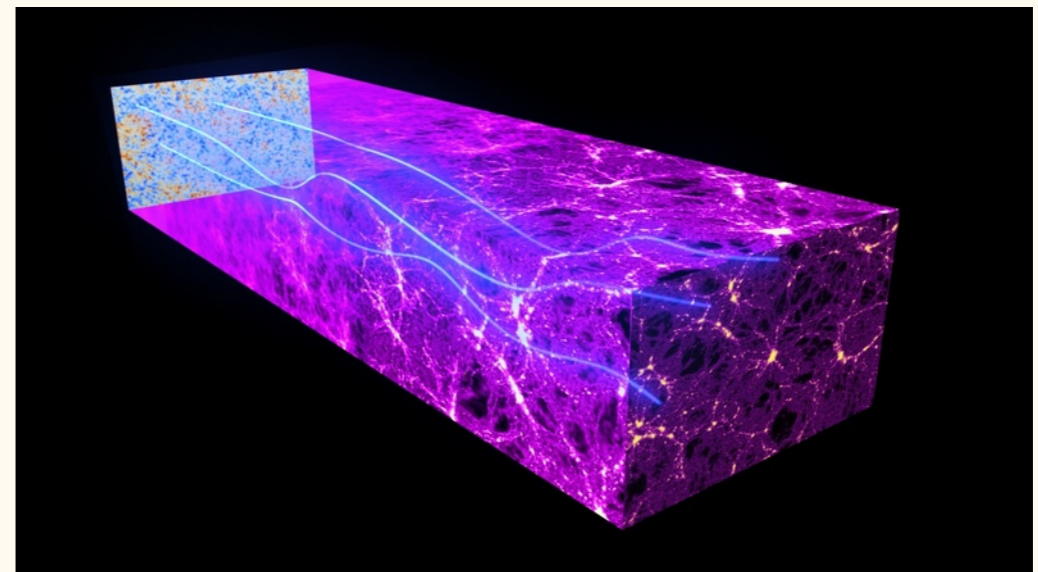
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## I. Geometry

- Background standard candles & rulers



- Fluctuations photon geodesics





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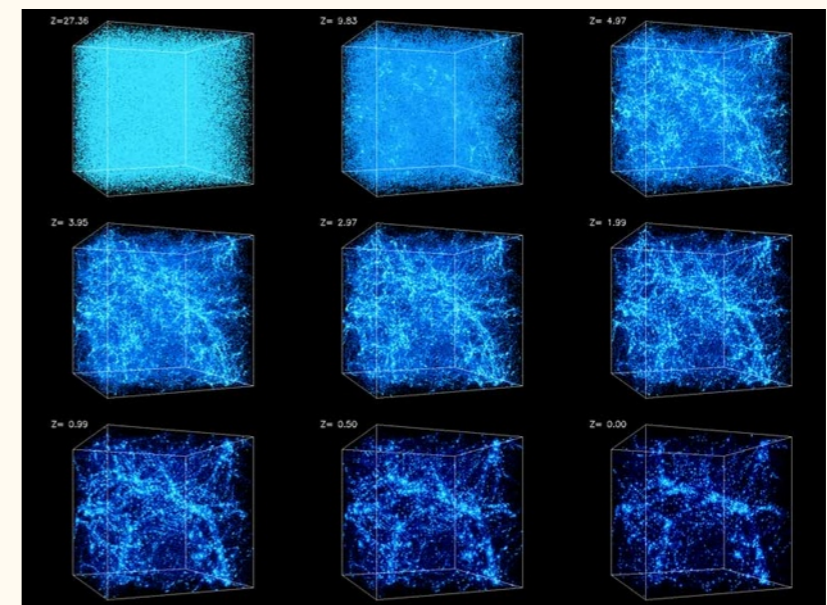
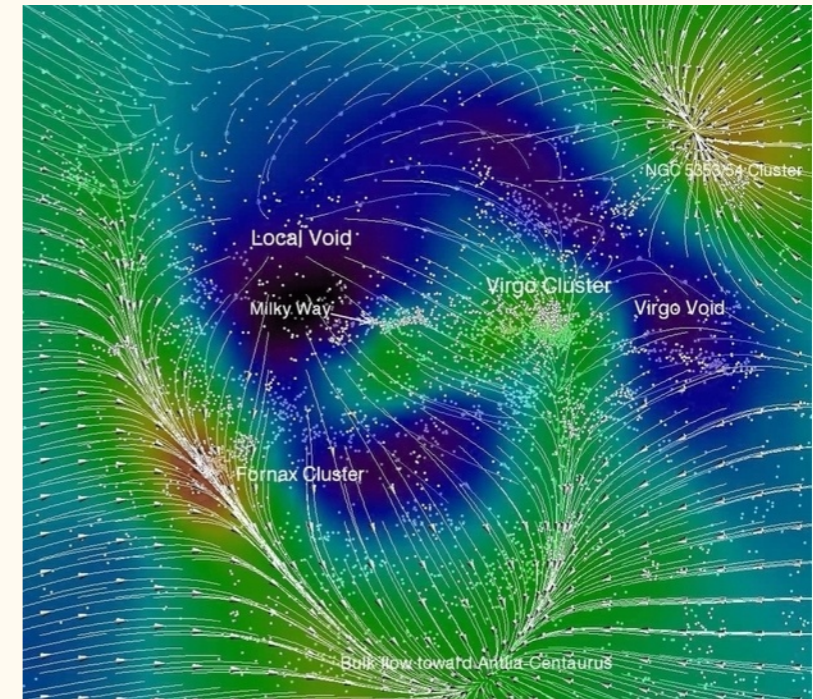
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## II. Dynamics

- Velocities created by gravitational force

- Growth of structures by gravitational collapse

Local velocity flow  
Courtois et al., Univ. Lyon



Evolution of matter distribution with time  
Simulations by Univ. Chicago

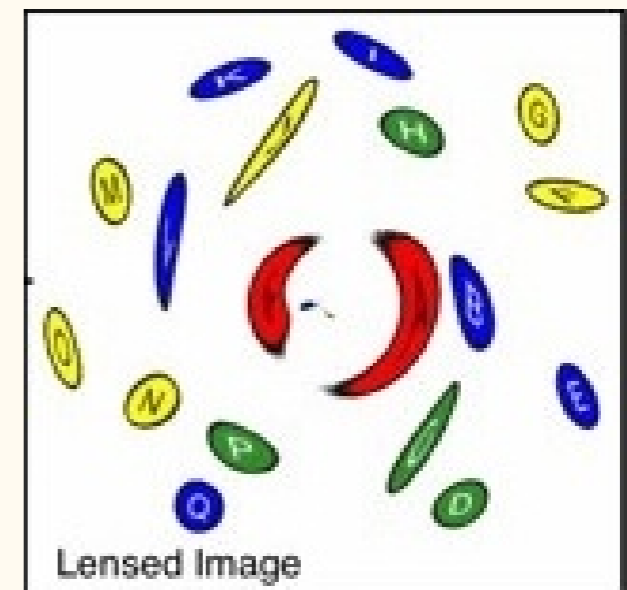
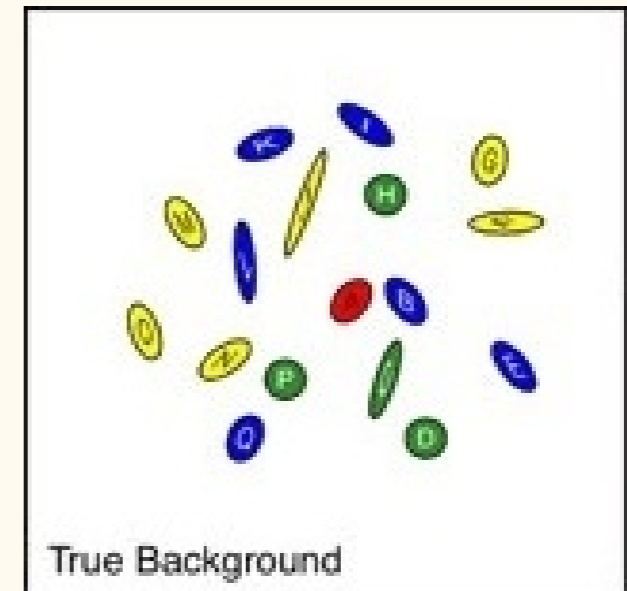
# Three main probes

## I. Gravitational shear

Light deflection  
→ distortion of galaxy shapes

### Information :

- Geometry : light deflection
- Growth of structures





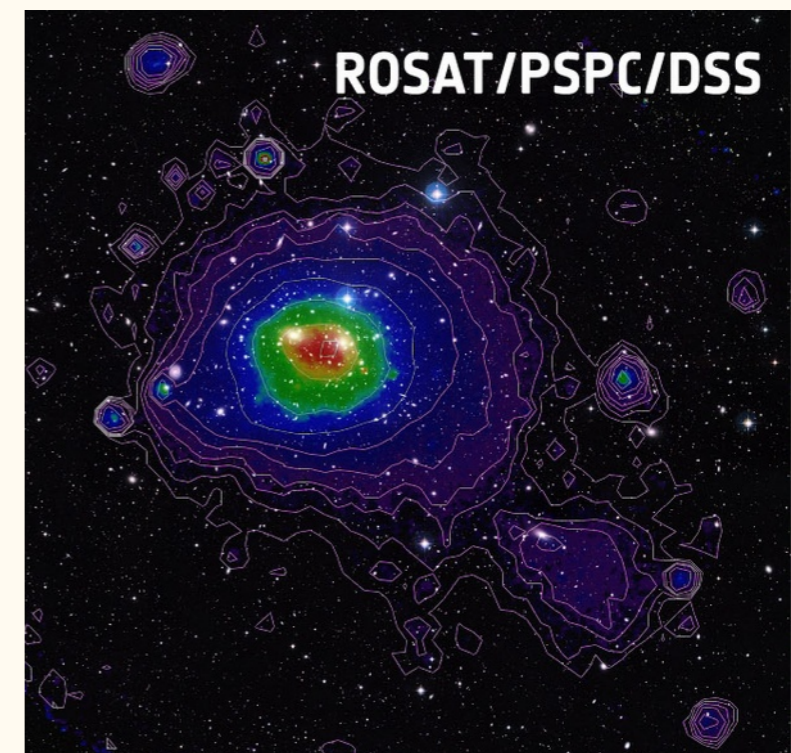
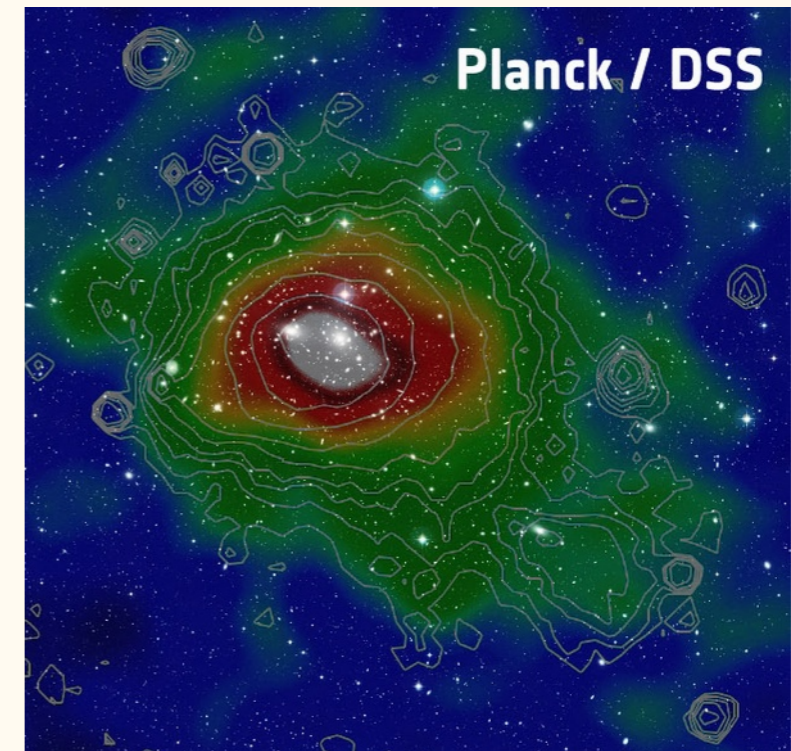
# Three main probes

## II. Clusters

Largest bound structures

Information :

- Geometry : volume
- Growth of structure



Coma cluster in SZ optical and X  
Davide De Martin (ESA)

# Three main probes

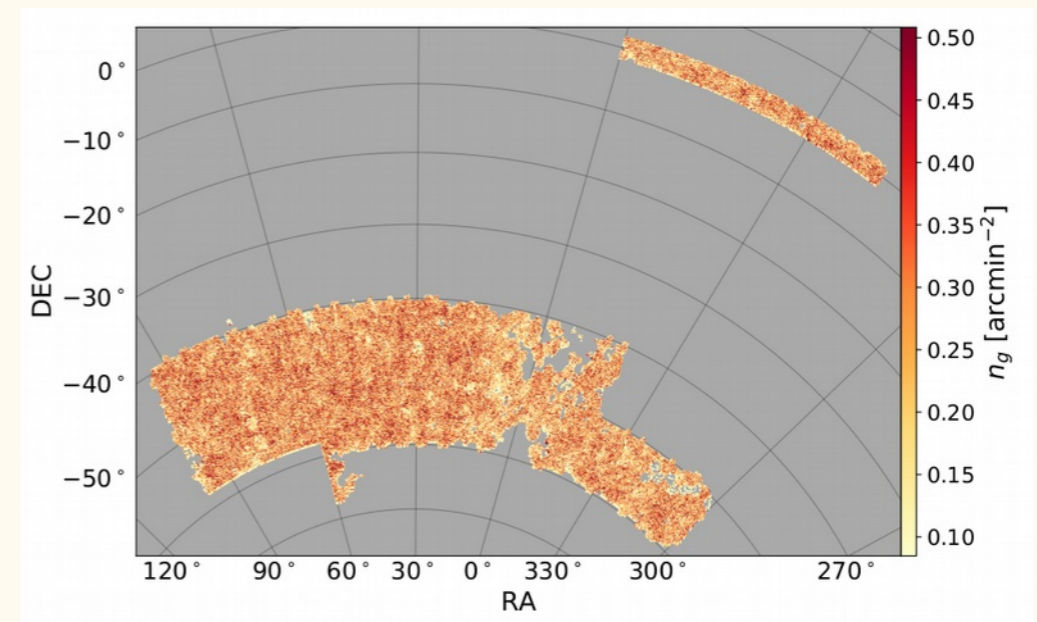
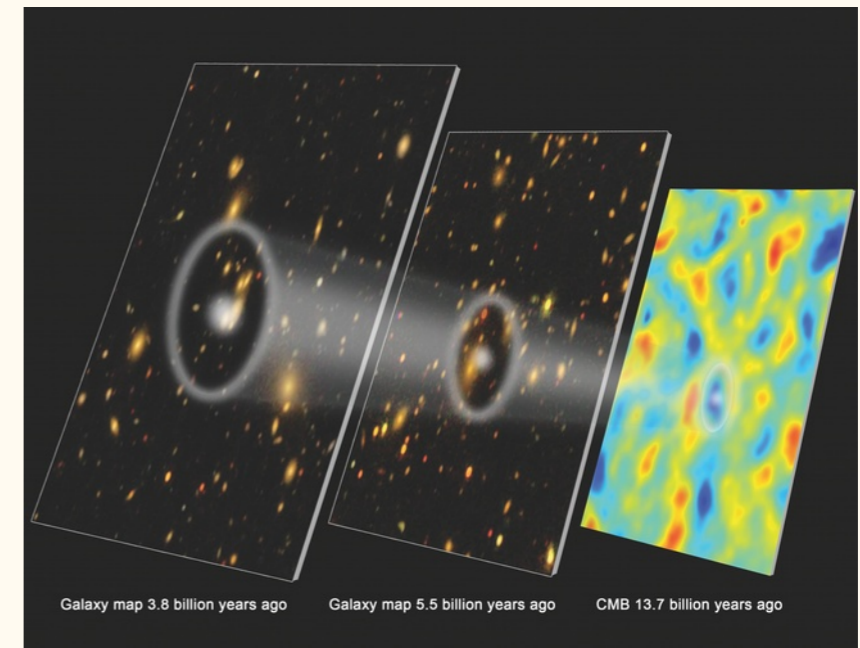
## III. Galaxy distribution

Trace of underlying matter fluctuations

### Information :

- Geometry : BAO
- Growth of structures
- Initial matter distribution

Baryon Acoustic Oscillation  
SDSS



Dark Energy Survey



# Euclid

Launch June 2022

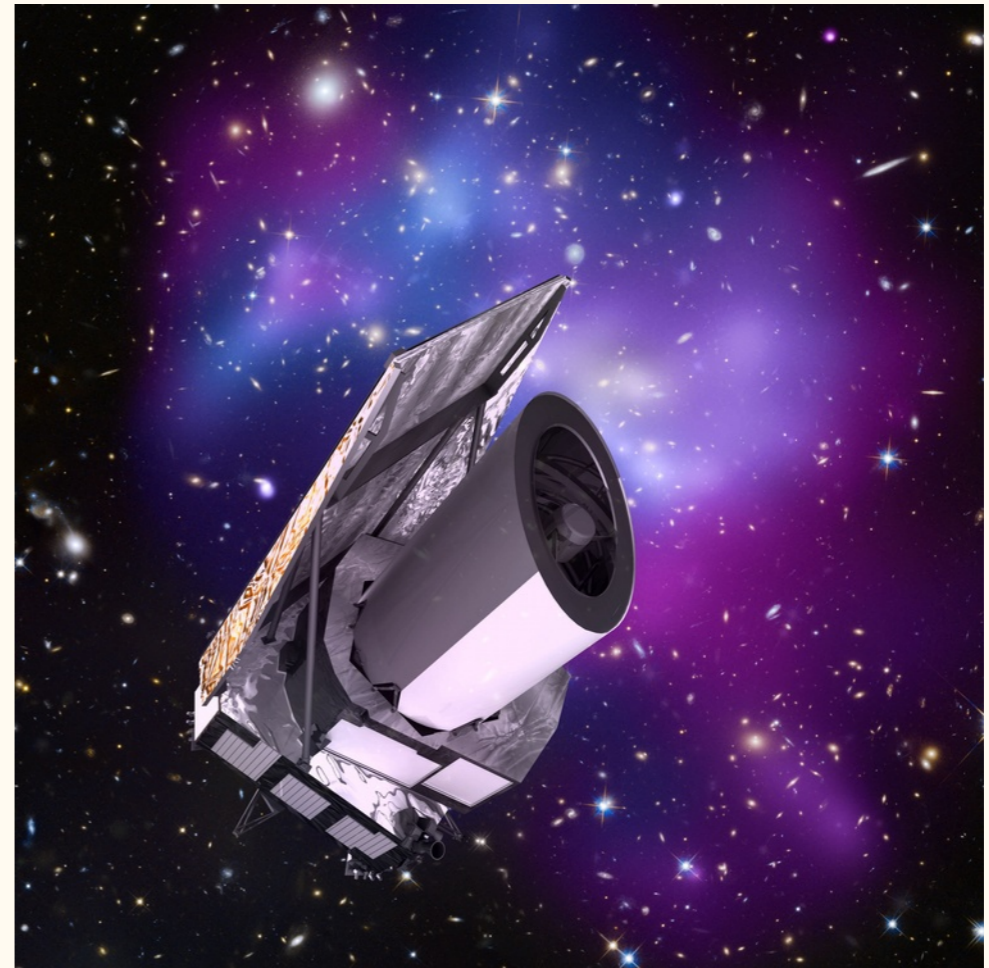
## Spectrograph

Tens of millions galaxy spectra

## Optical imager

>1.5 billion galaxy detections

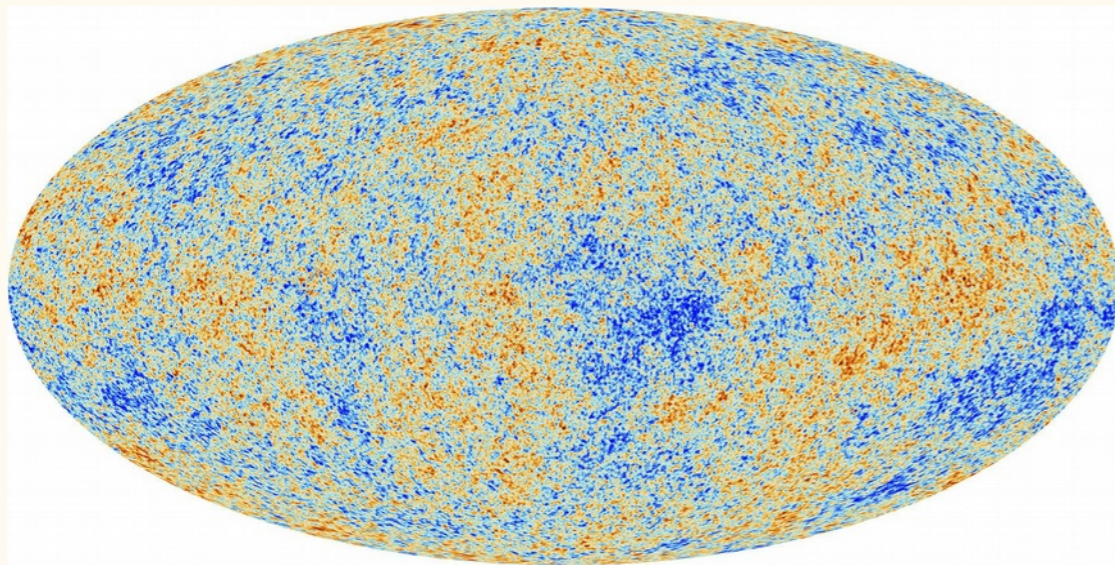
30 galaxies / arcmin<sup>2</sup>



Artist view, ESA

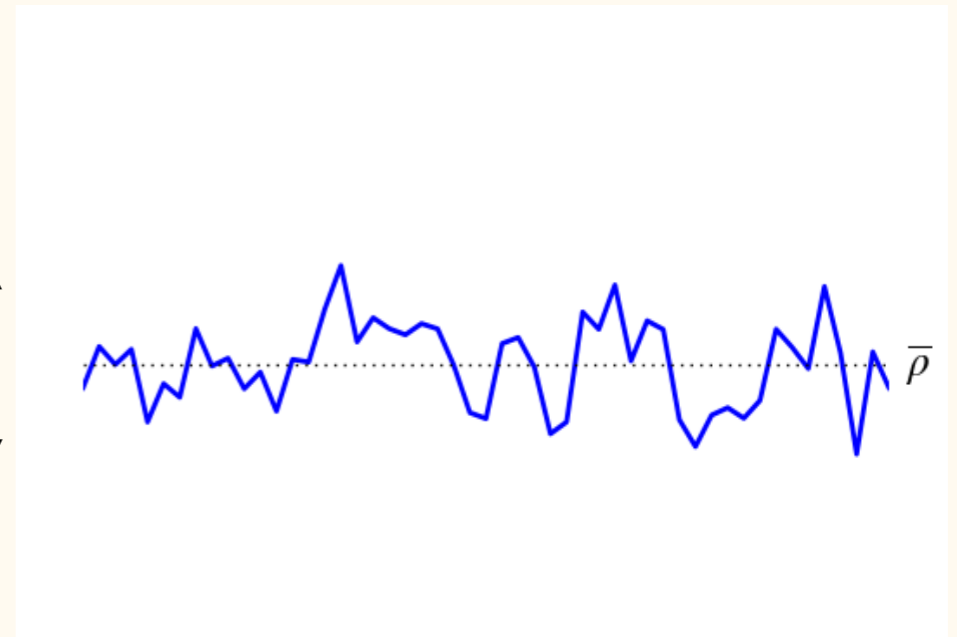
# Linearity

Planck



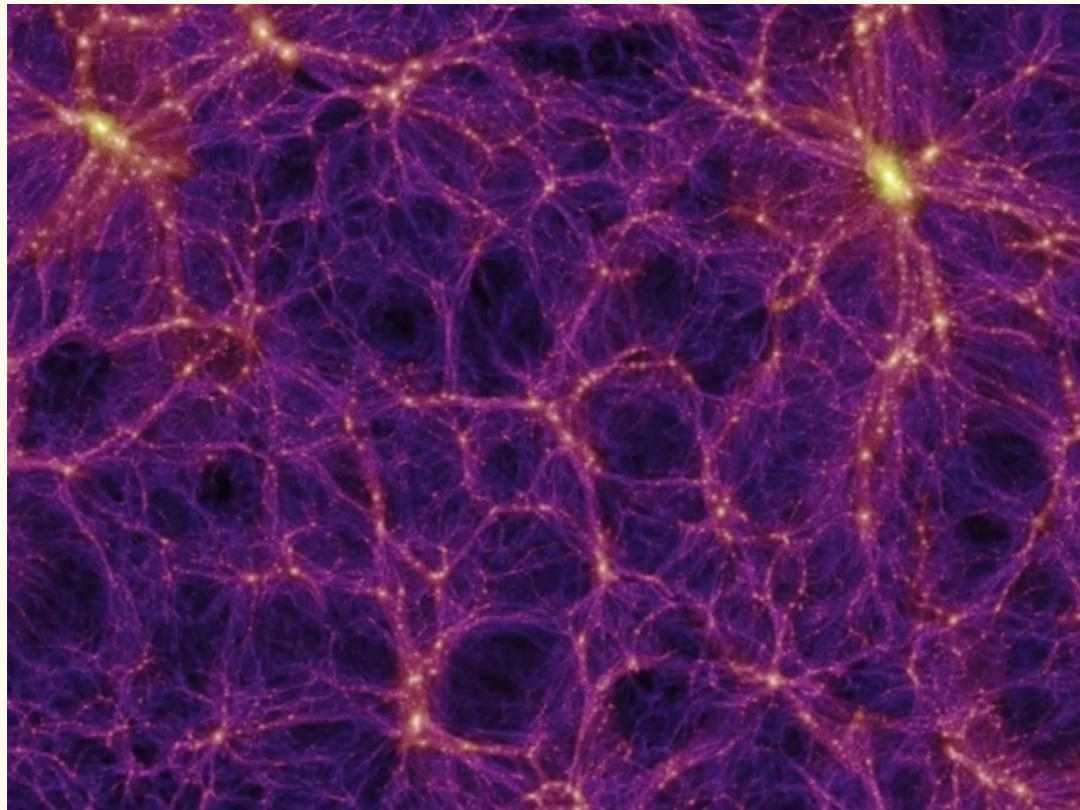
Primordial Universe  
380,000 years

0.00001

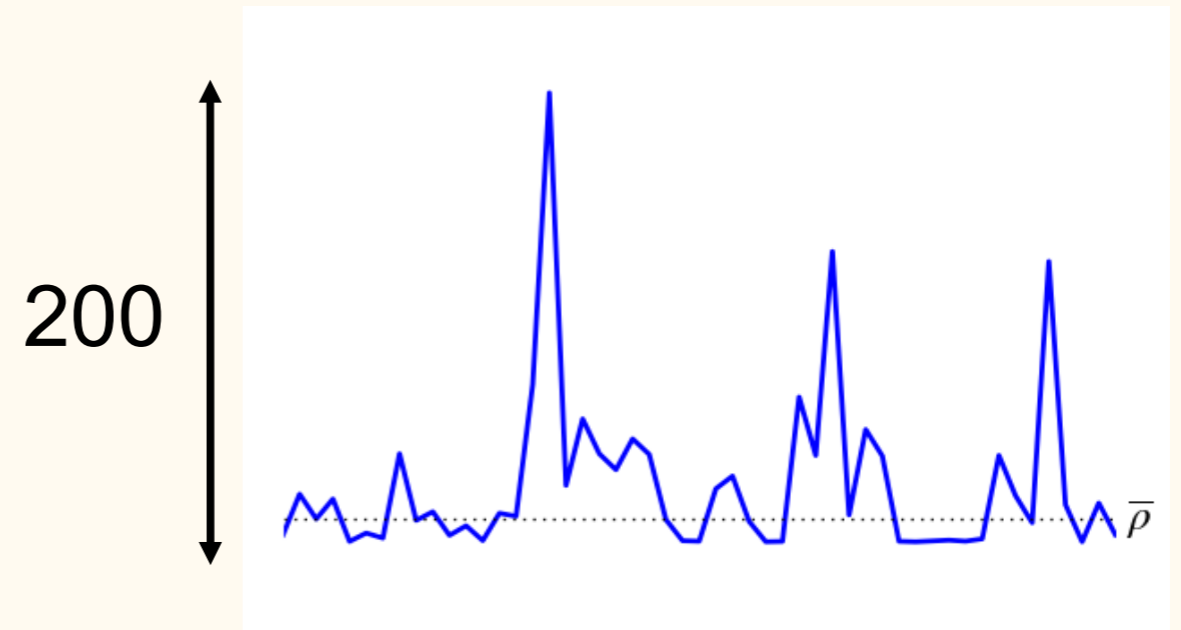


Matter density : Gaussian  
Linear evolution

# Non-linearity



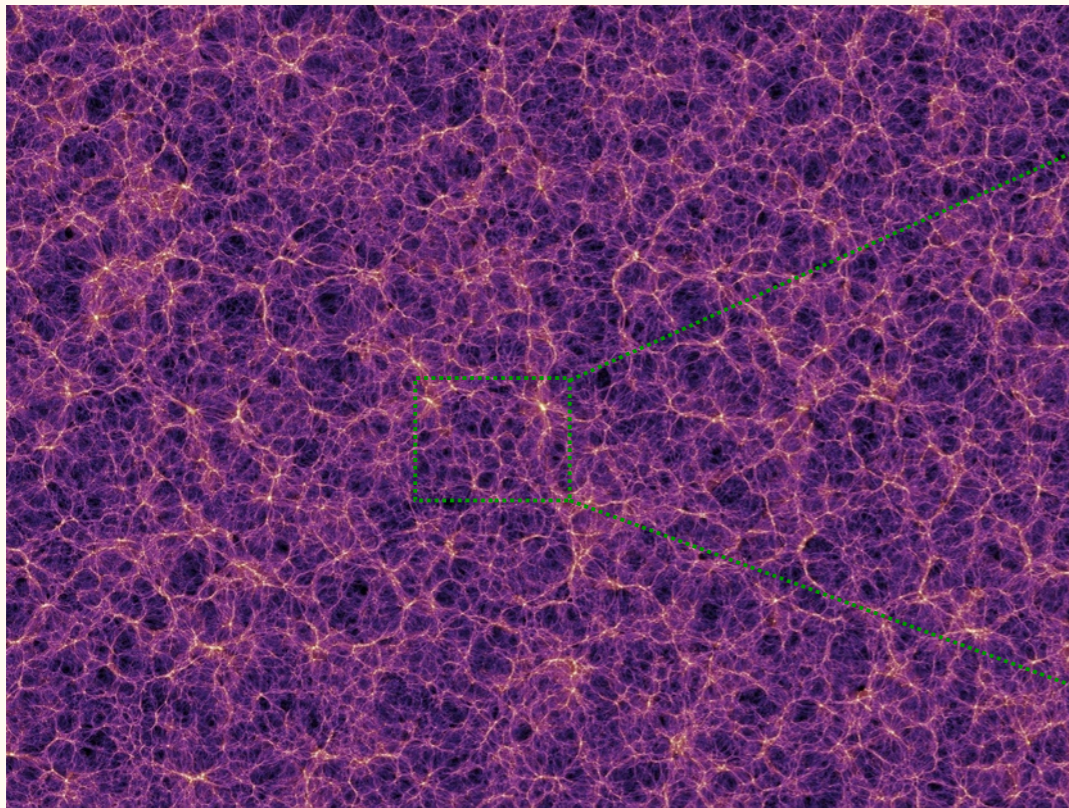
Late Universe  
13.7 billion years



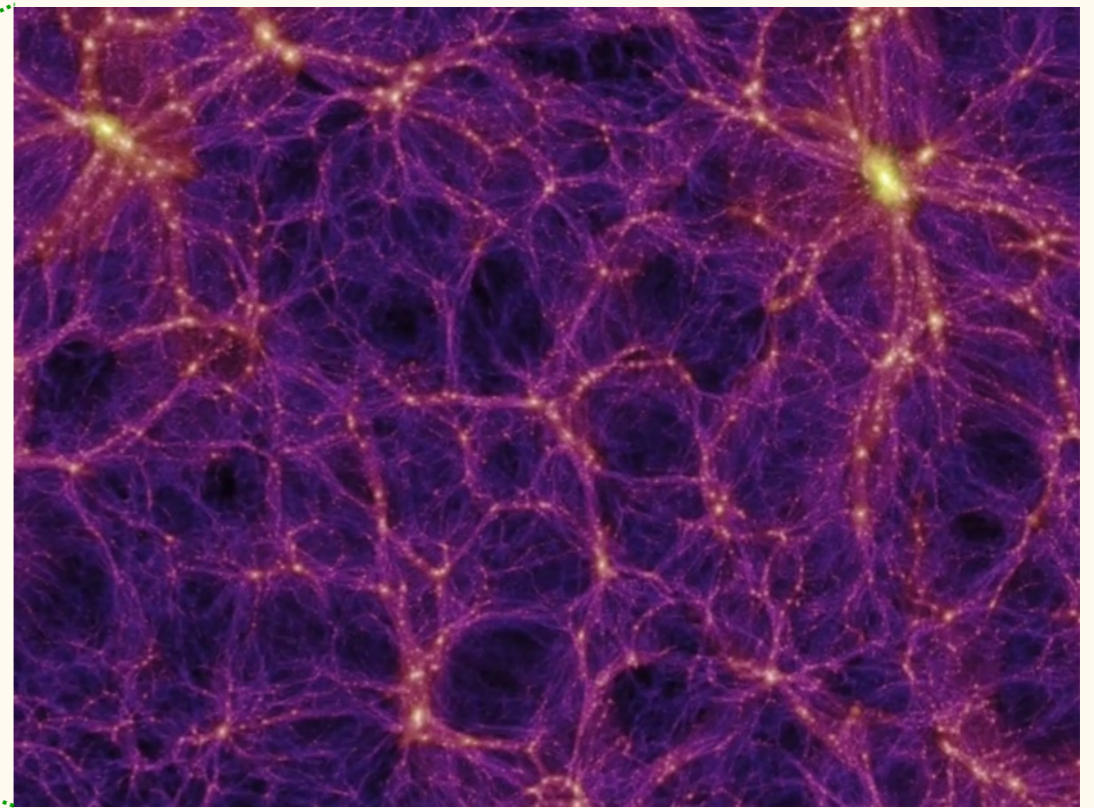
Non-linear evolution  
→ non-Gaussian



# Scales and (non-) linearity



Millenium simulation





# Cosmology

vs

# Galaxy formation

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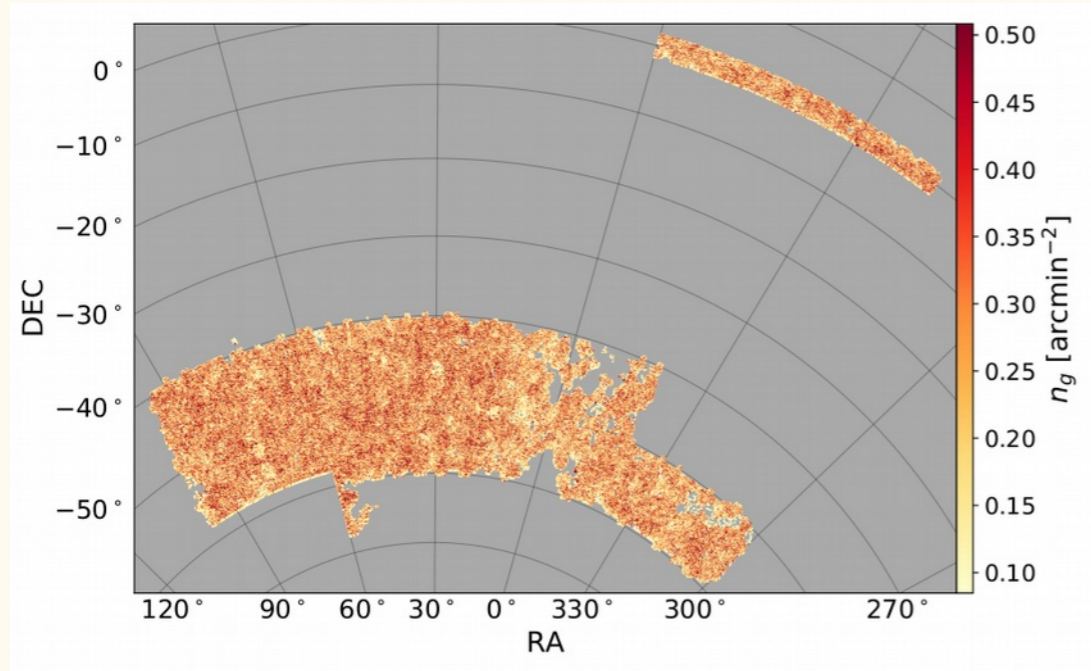
II. Non-linear covariances

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# I. Galaxy power spectrum

# Galaxy power spectrum



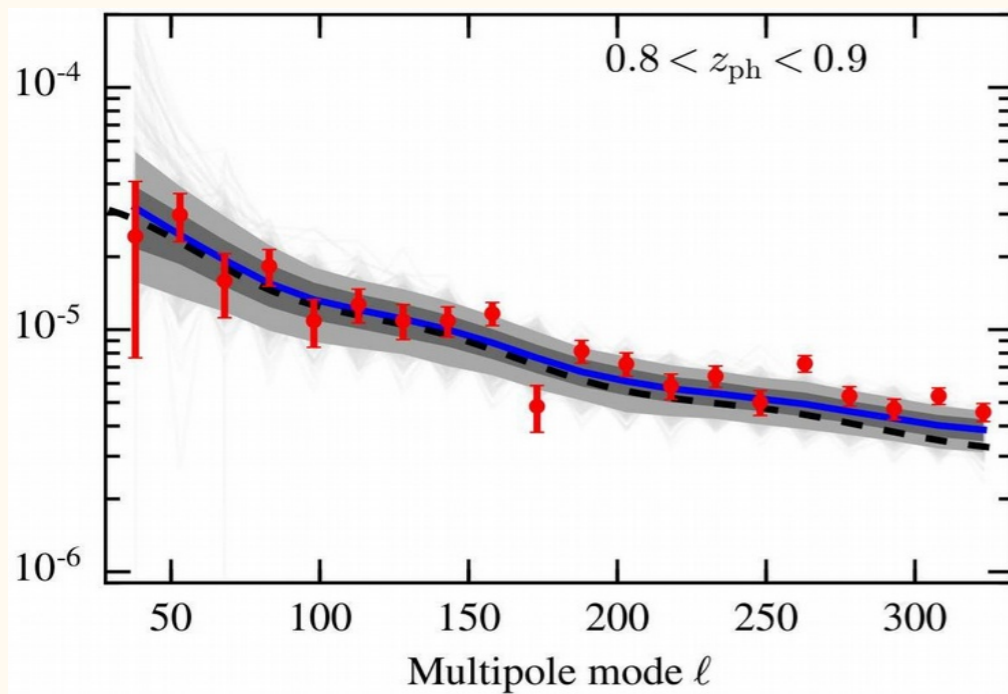
Dark Energy Survey  
Year 1 results

$$\delta_{\text{gal}}(\hat{n}) = \frac{n_{\text{gal}}(\hat{n}) - \bar{n}_{\text{gal}}}{\bar{n}_{\text{gal}}}$$

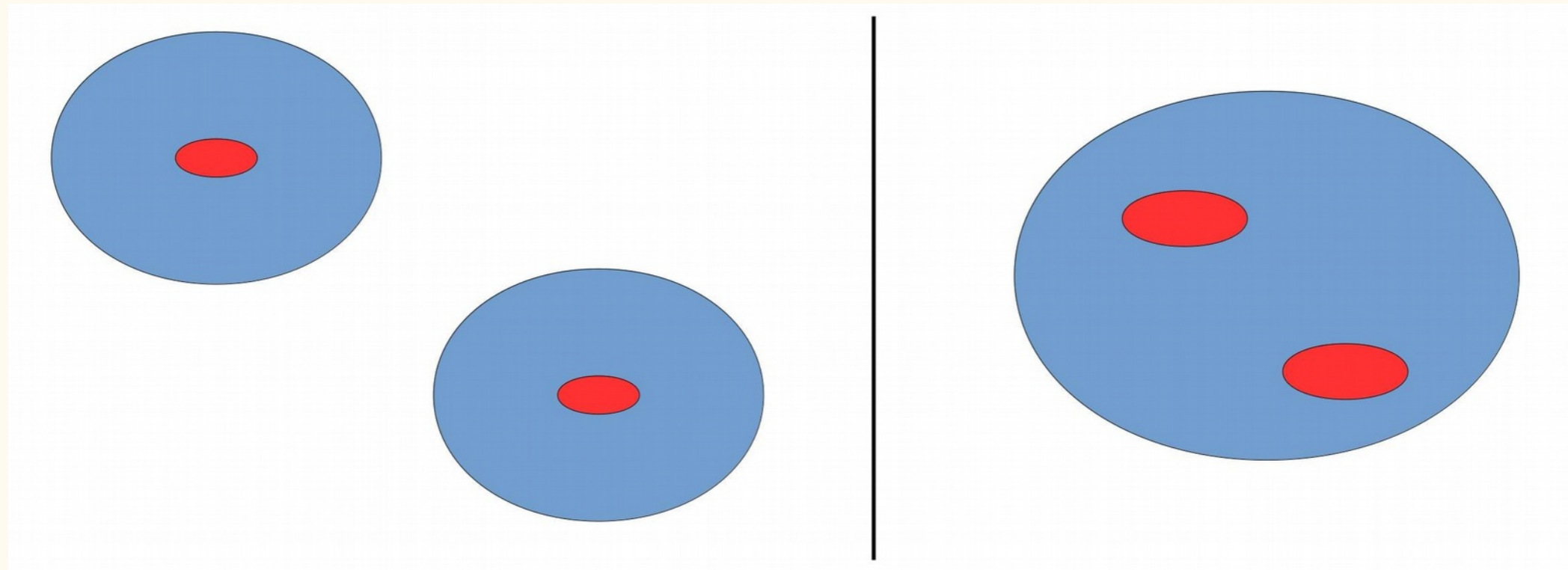
Harmonic  
transform

$$a_{\ell m}^{\text{gal}}$$

2-point  
correlation  
function



# Modeling

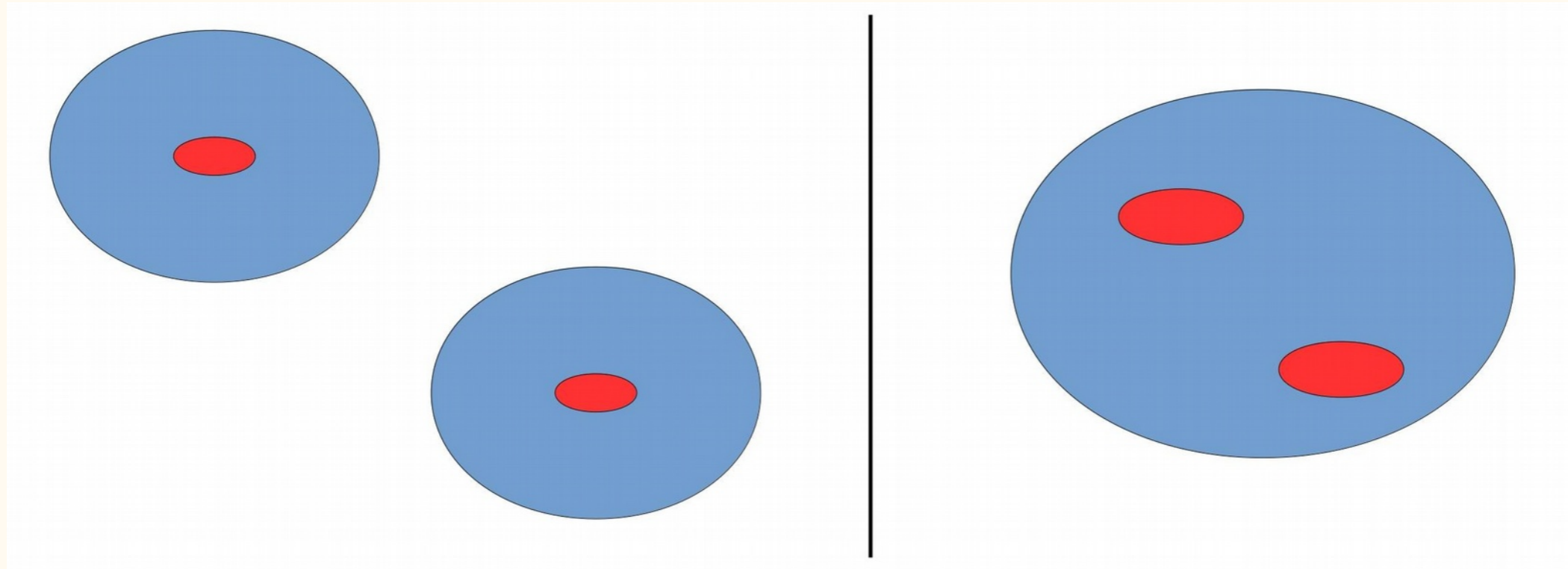


2-halo

1-halo

Diagrammatic formalism  
Lacasa et al. 2014

# Modeling



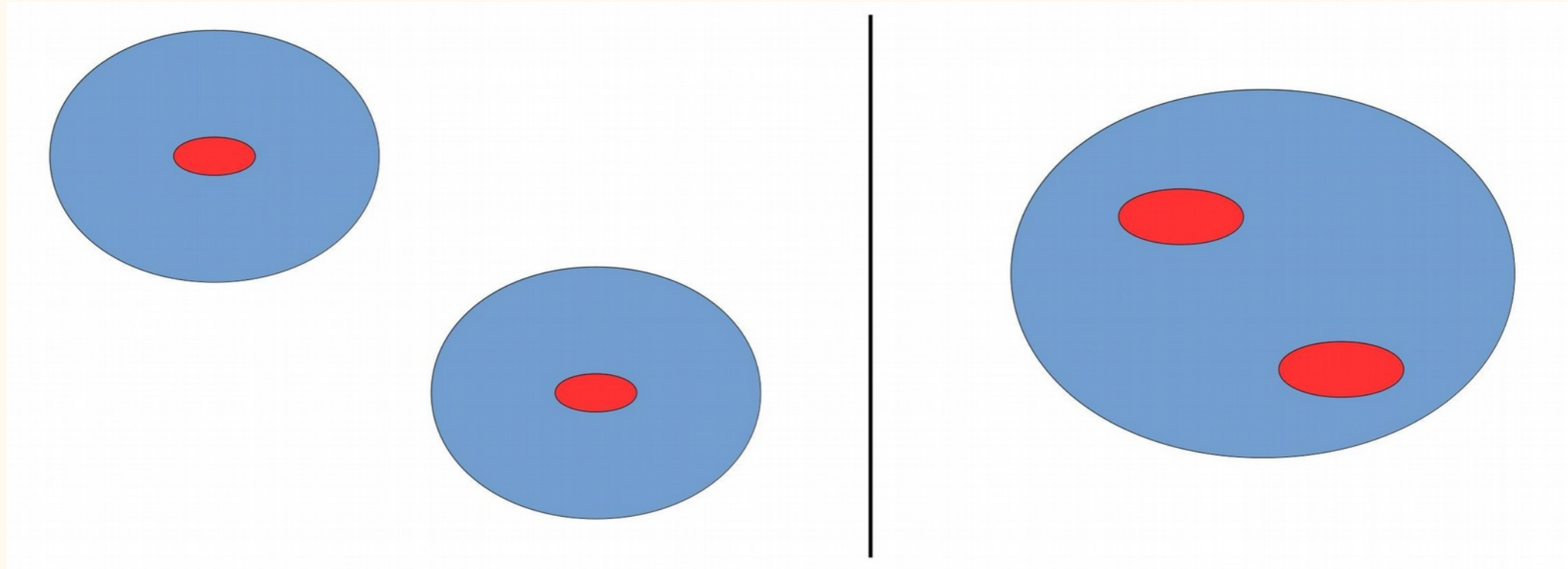
2-halo

1-halo

$$P_{2h}(k) \propto \int dM_1 dM_2 \cdots P_{\text{halo}}(k|M_1, M_2)$$

$$P_{1h}(k) \propto \int dM \frac{dn}{dM} \langle N_{\text{gal}}^{(2)} \rangle u(k|M)^2$$

# Modeling



2-halo

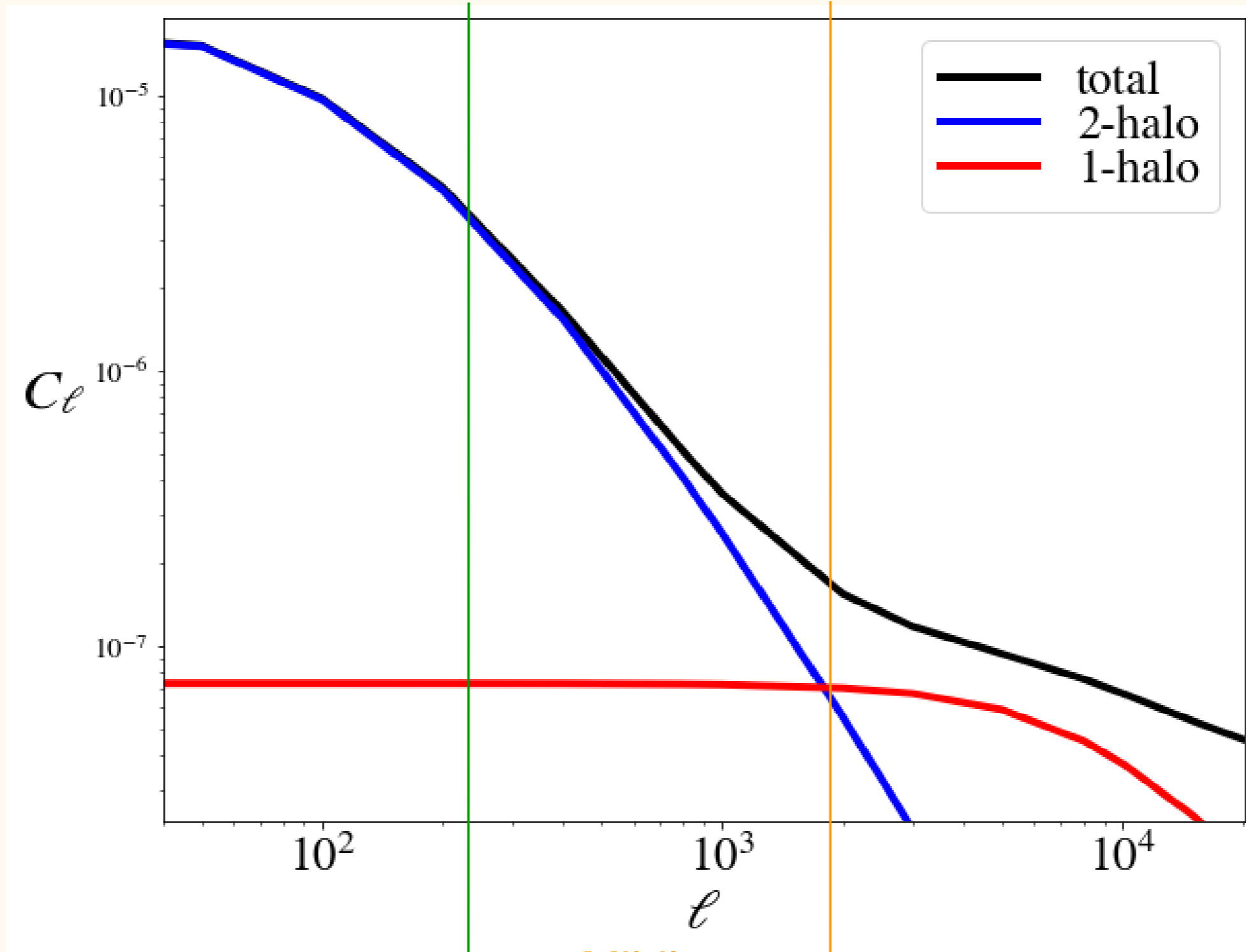
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↓  
Cosmological perturbation theory  
+ bias expansion

# Scales



$z=1$

Regime

Linear

Mildly  
non-linear

Highly  
non-linear



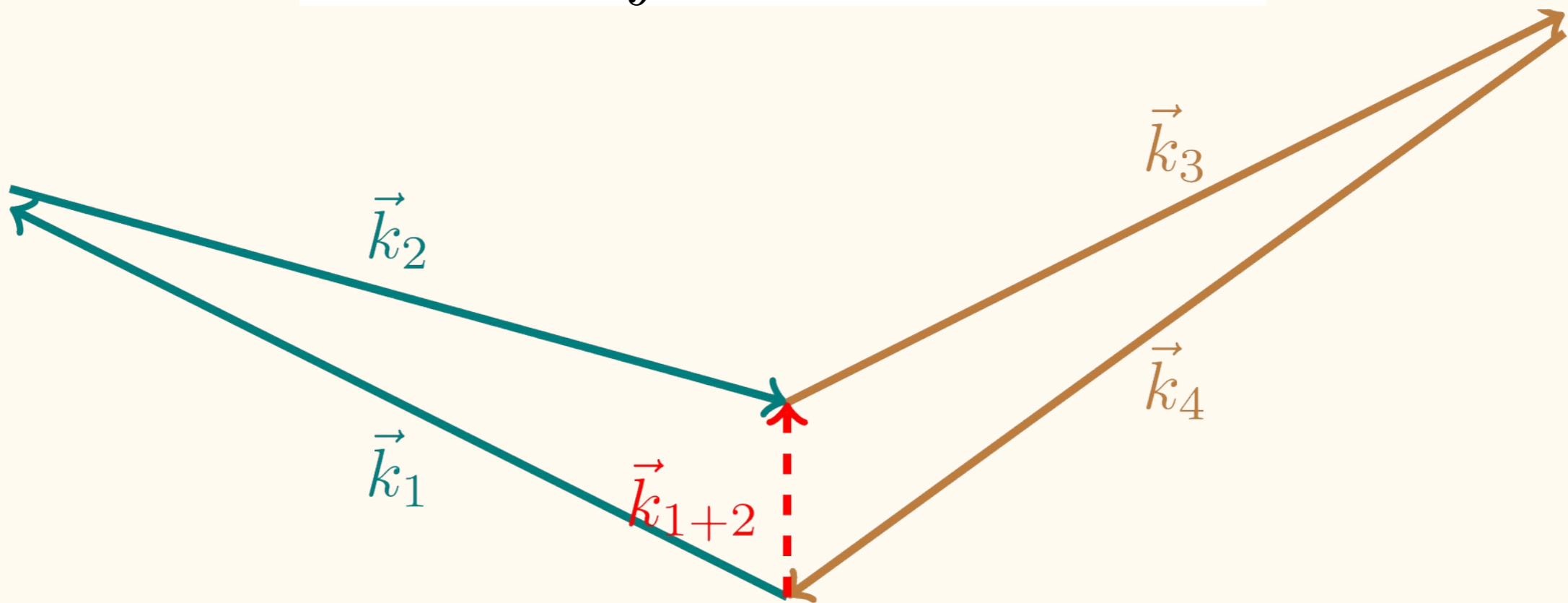
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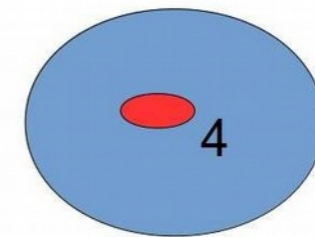
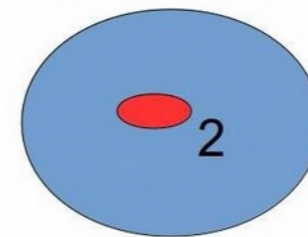
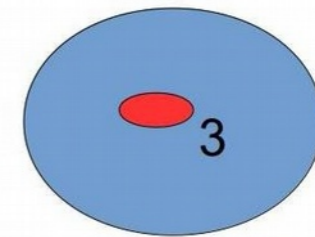
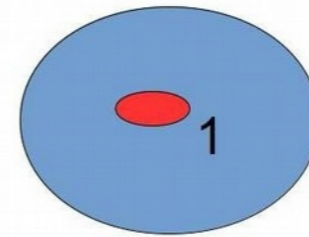
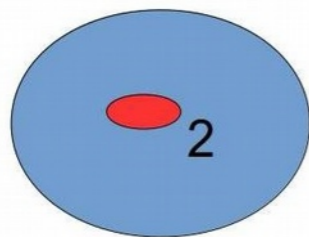
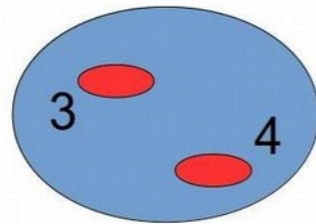
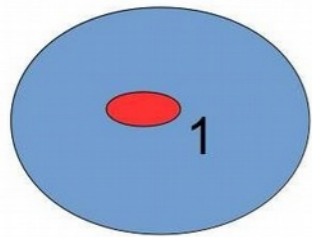
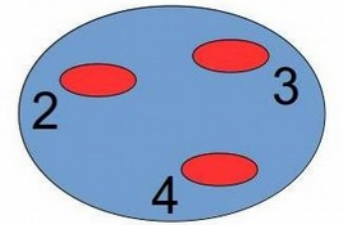
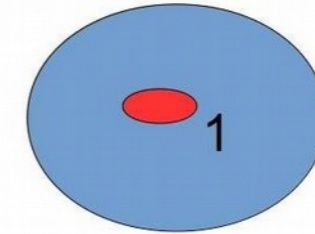
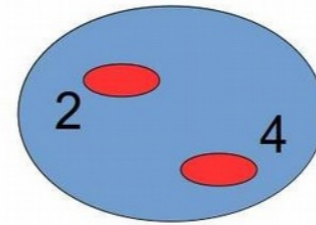
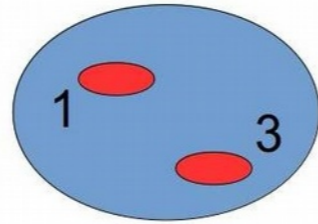
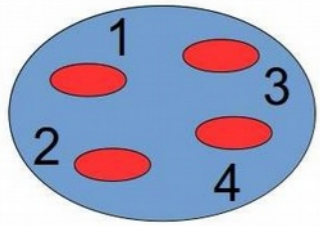
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$$\text{Cov}(C_\ell, C_{\ell'}) = \text{Cov}_G + \text{Cov}_{NG}$$

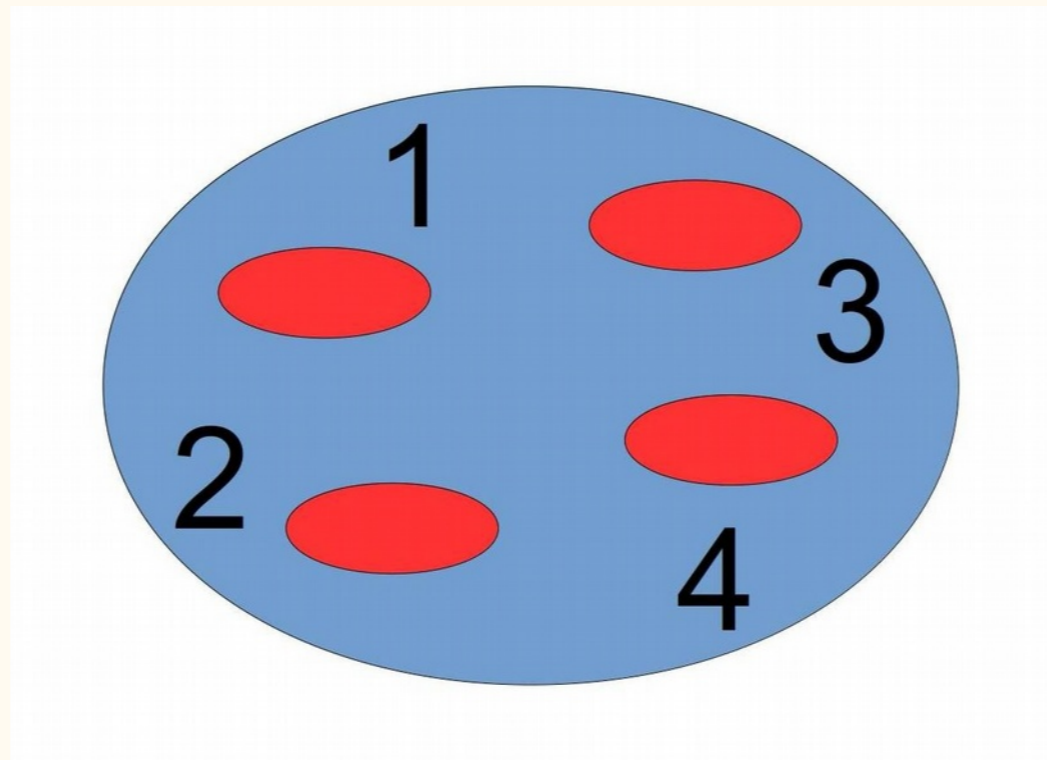
$$\text{Cov}_{NG} \propto \int T_{\text{gal}}(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3, \vec{k}_4)$$



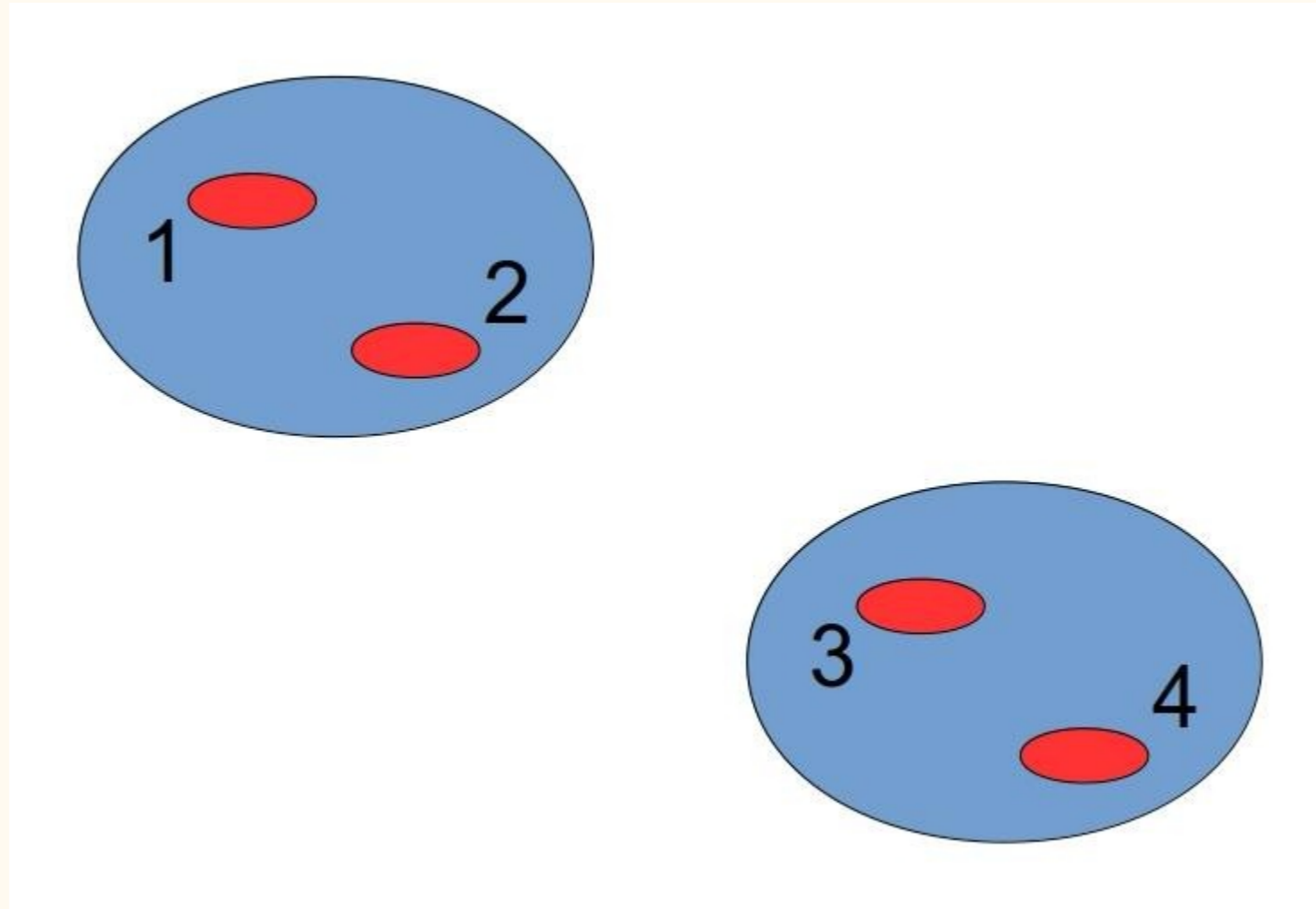
# Diagrams for Cov(CI)



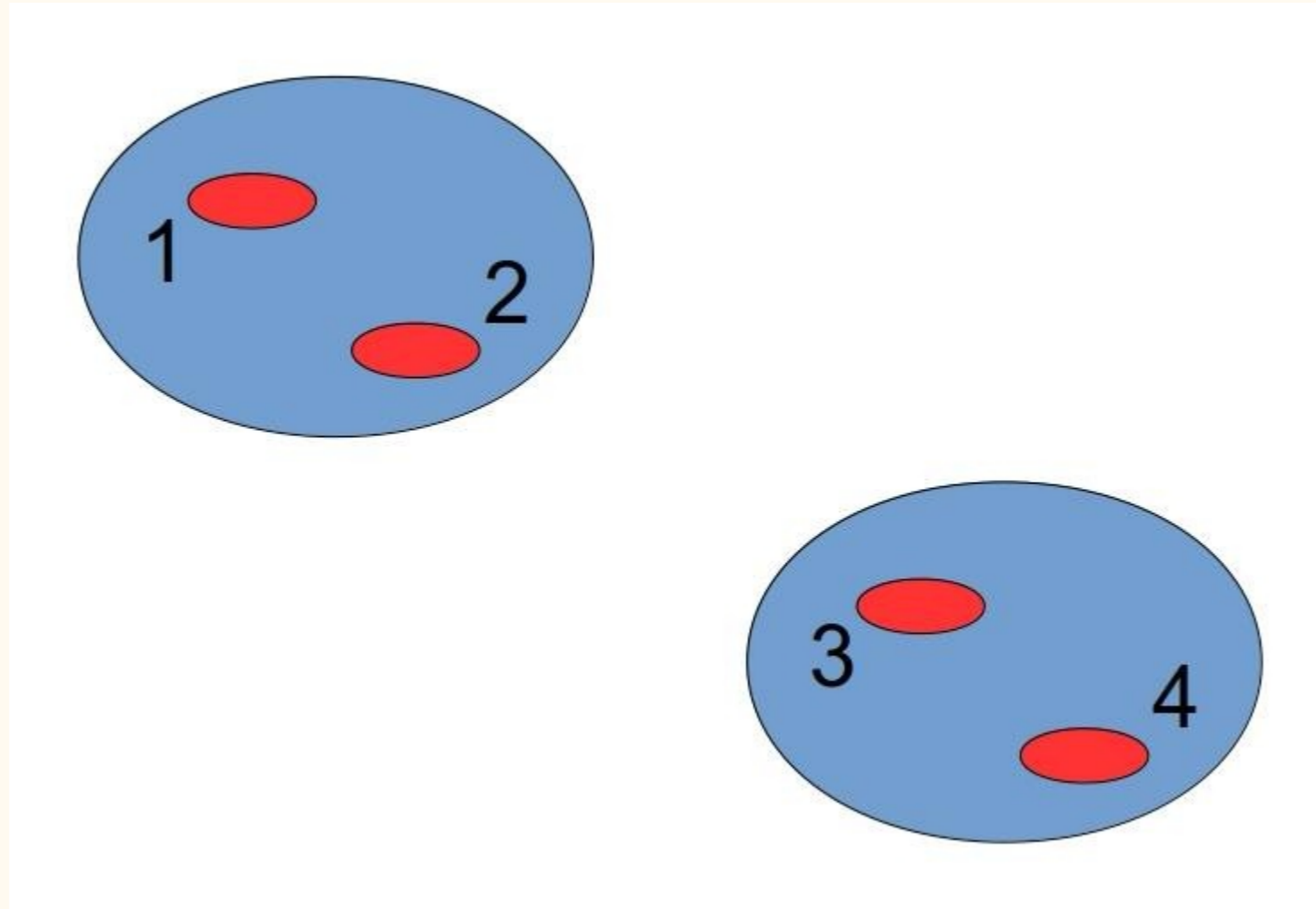
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# 2-halo 2+2 – part A



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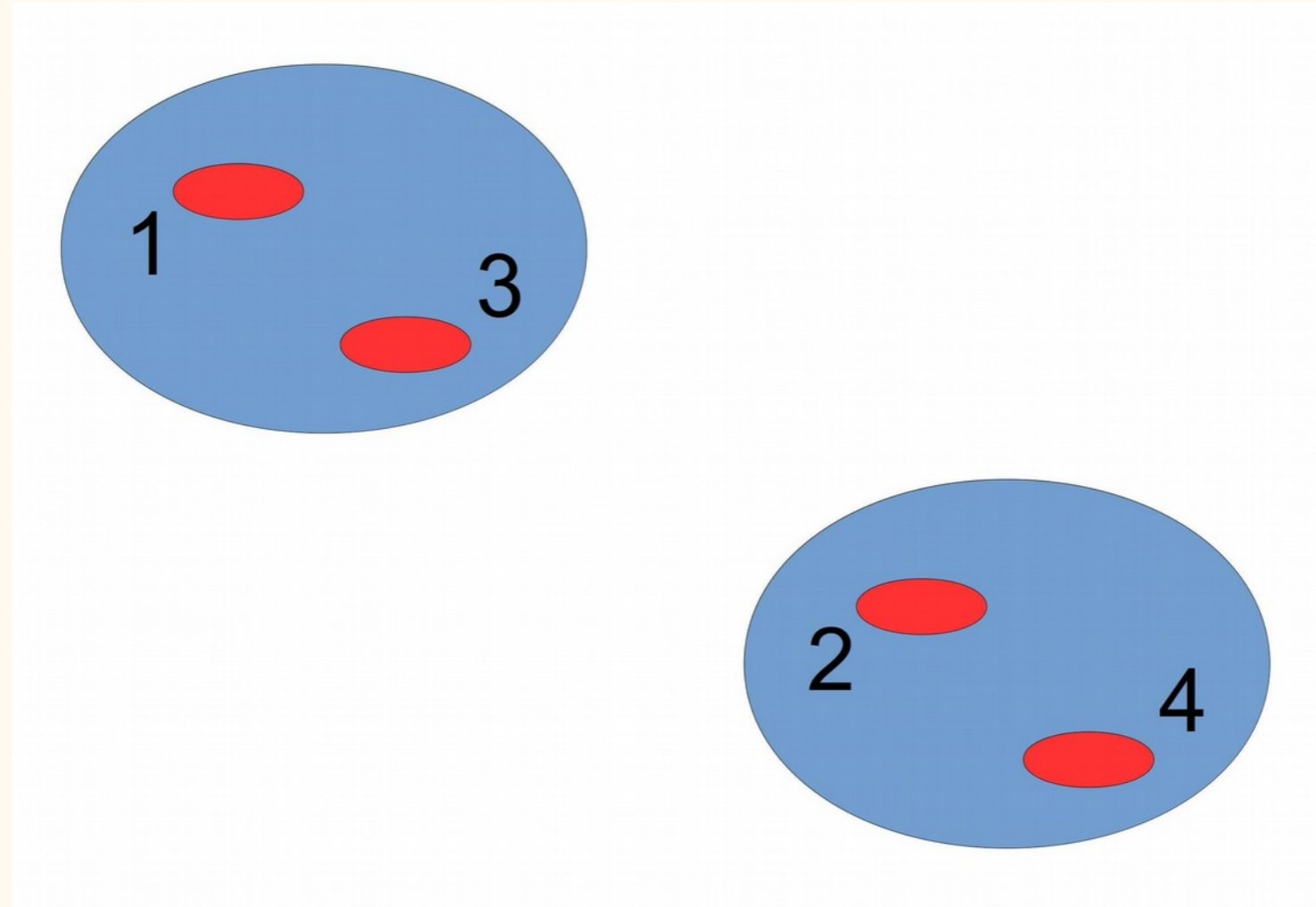


$$T(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3, \vec{k}_4) \propto P_{\text{halo}}(\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_2)$$

→ part of **Super-Sample Covariance (SSC)**



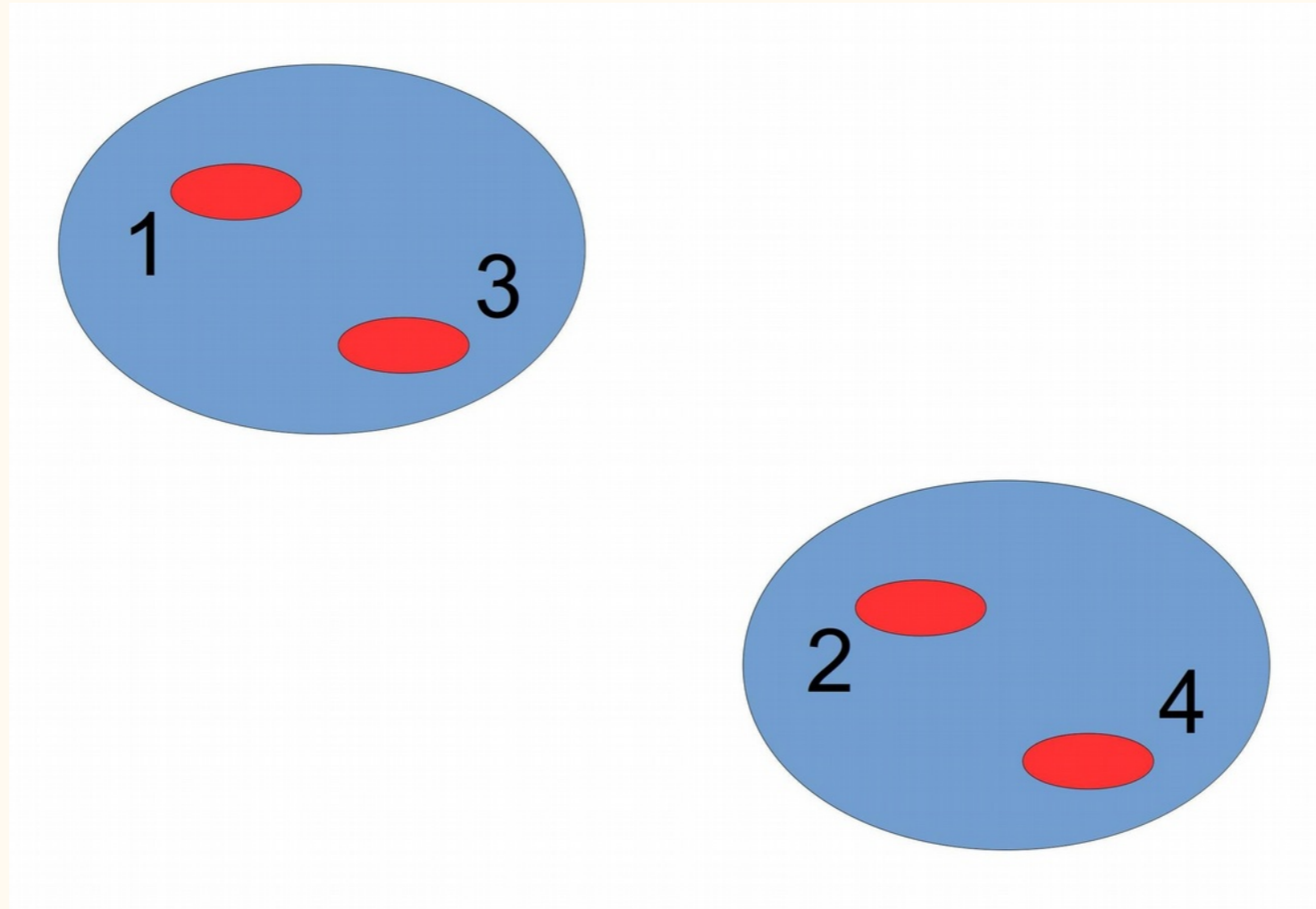
# 2-halo 2+2 – part B







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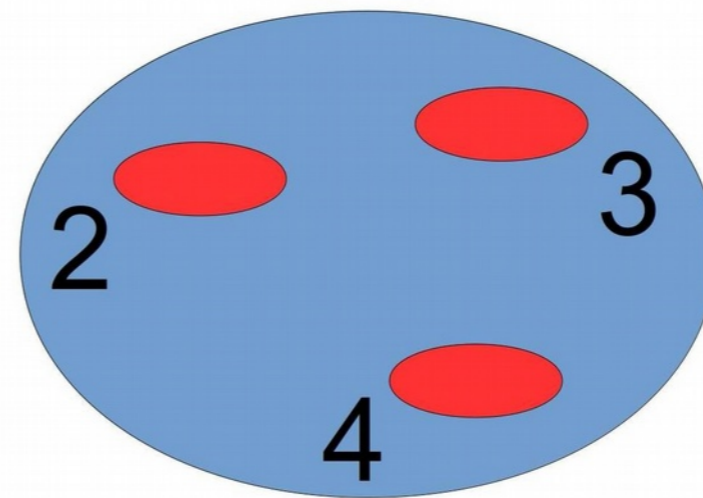
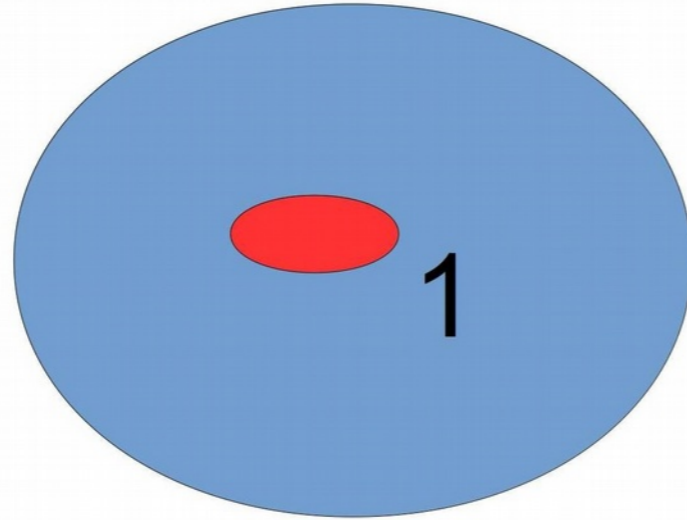
$$T(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3, \vec{k}_4) \propto P_{\text{halo}}(\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_3)$$

→ part of **Braiding Covariance**



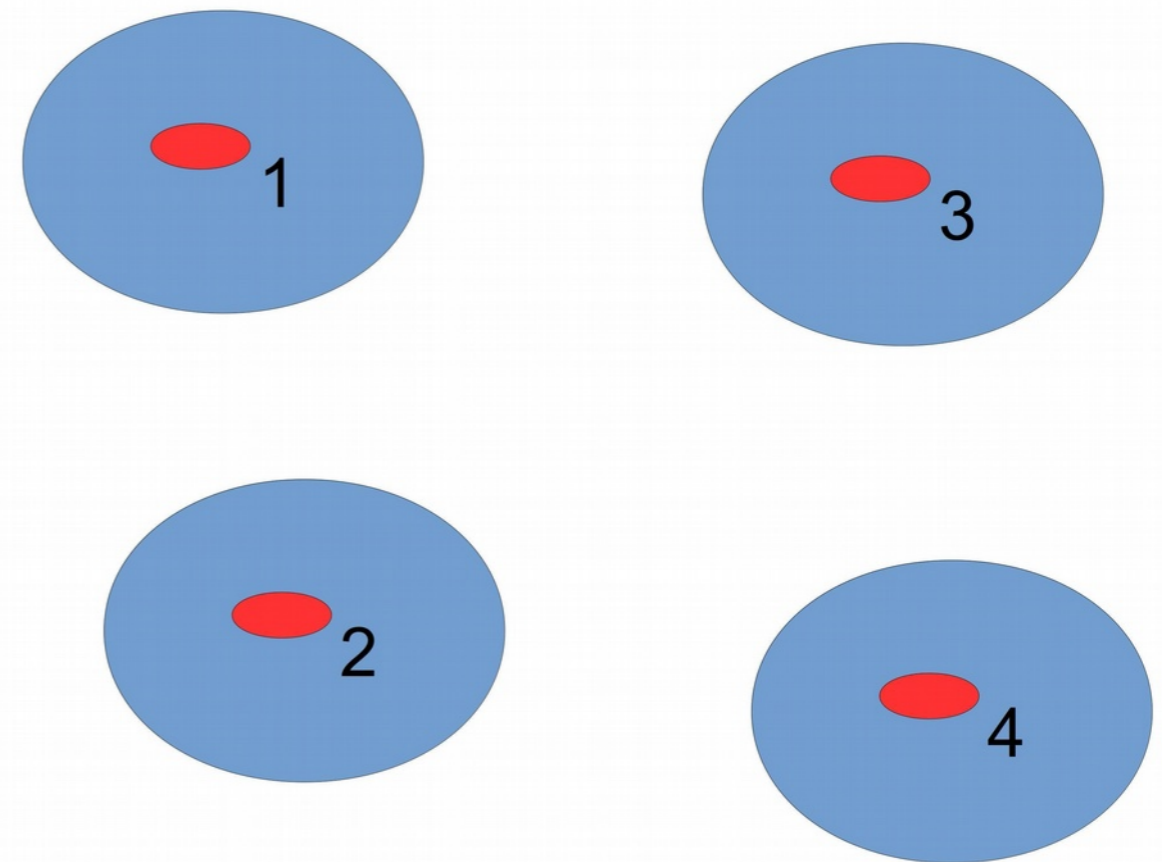
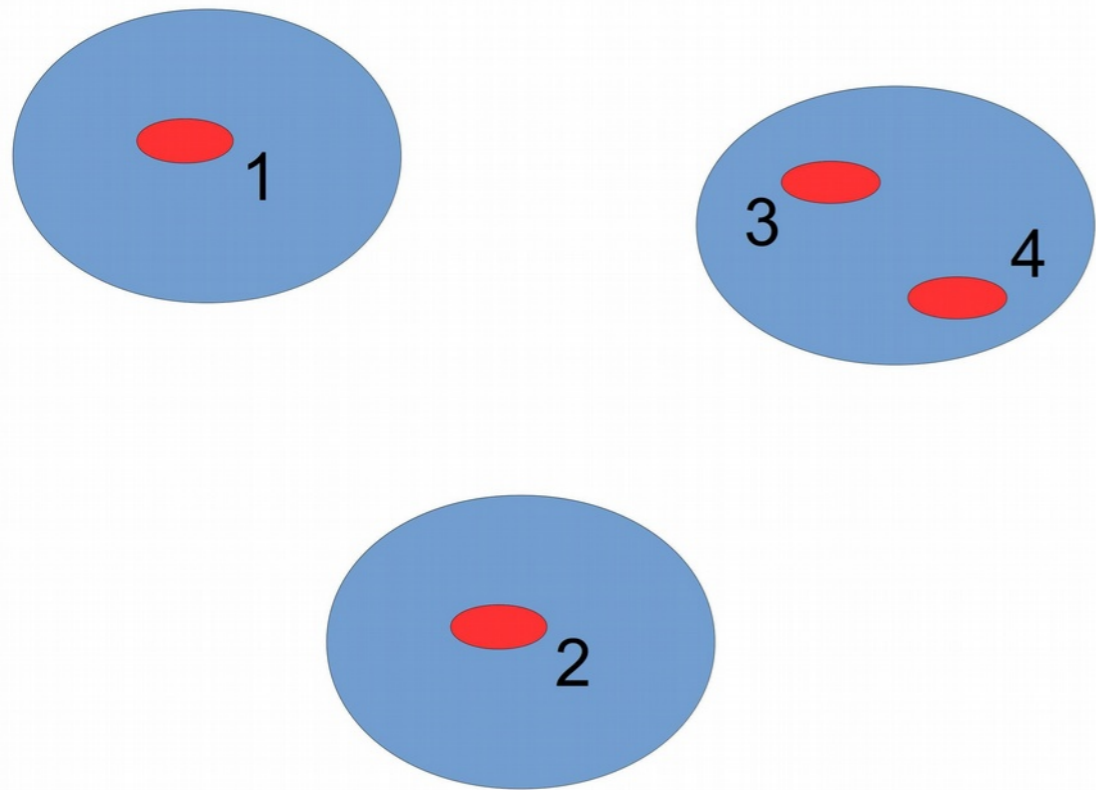


# 2-halo 1+3





# Higher order terms

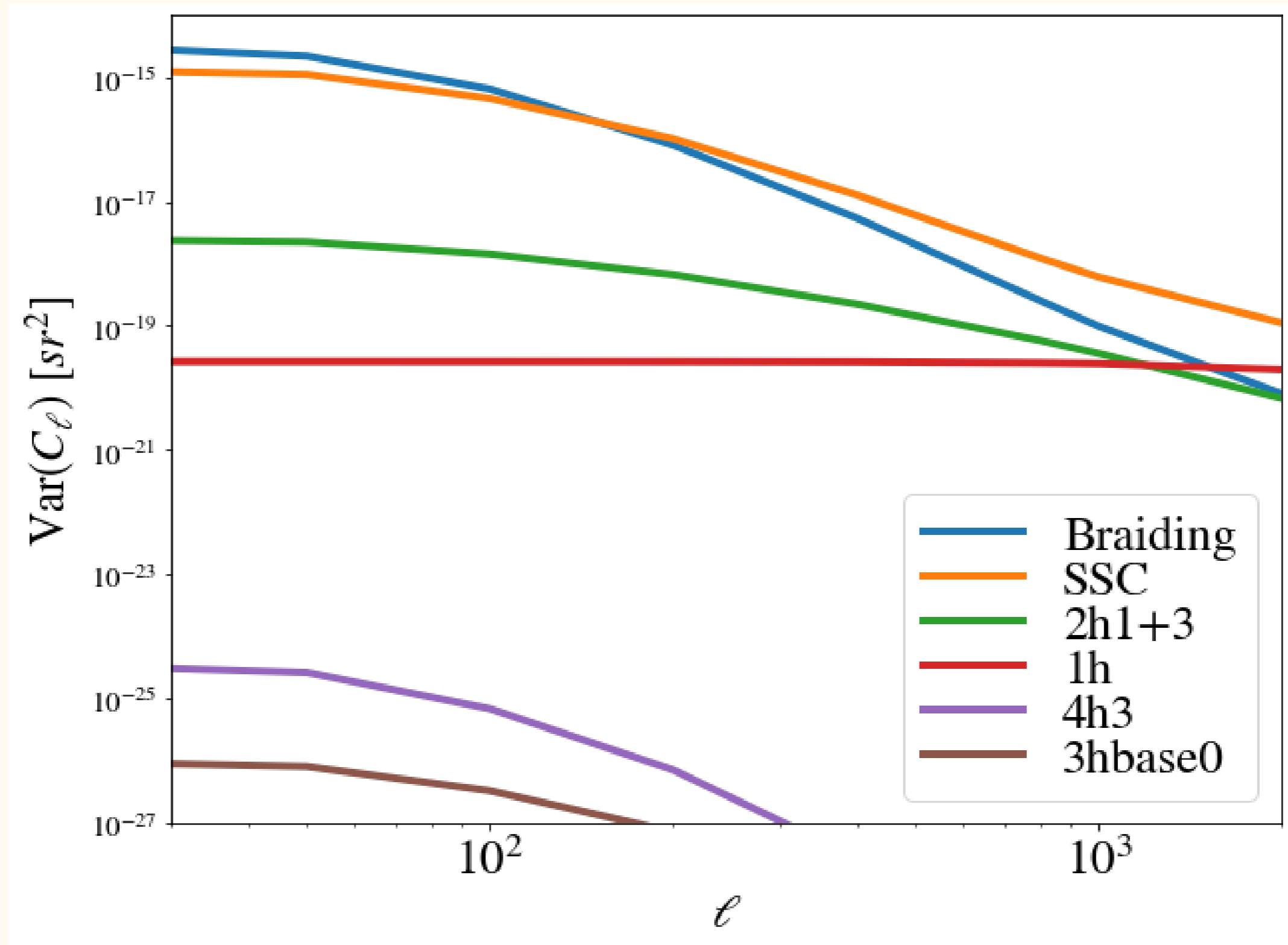


# III. Impact for a baseline cosmological analysis

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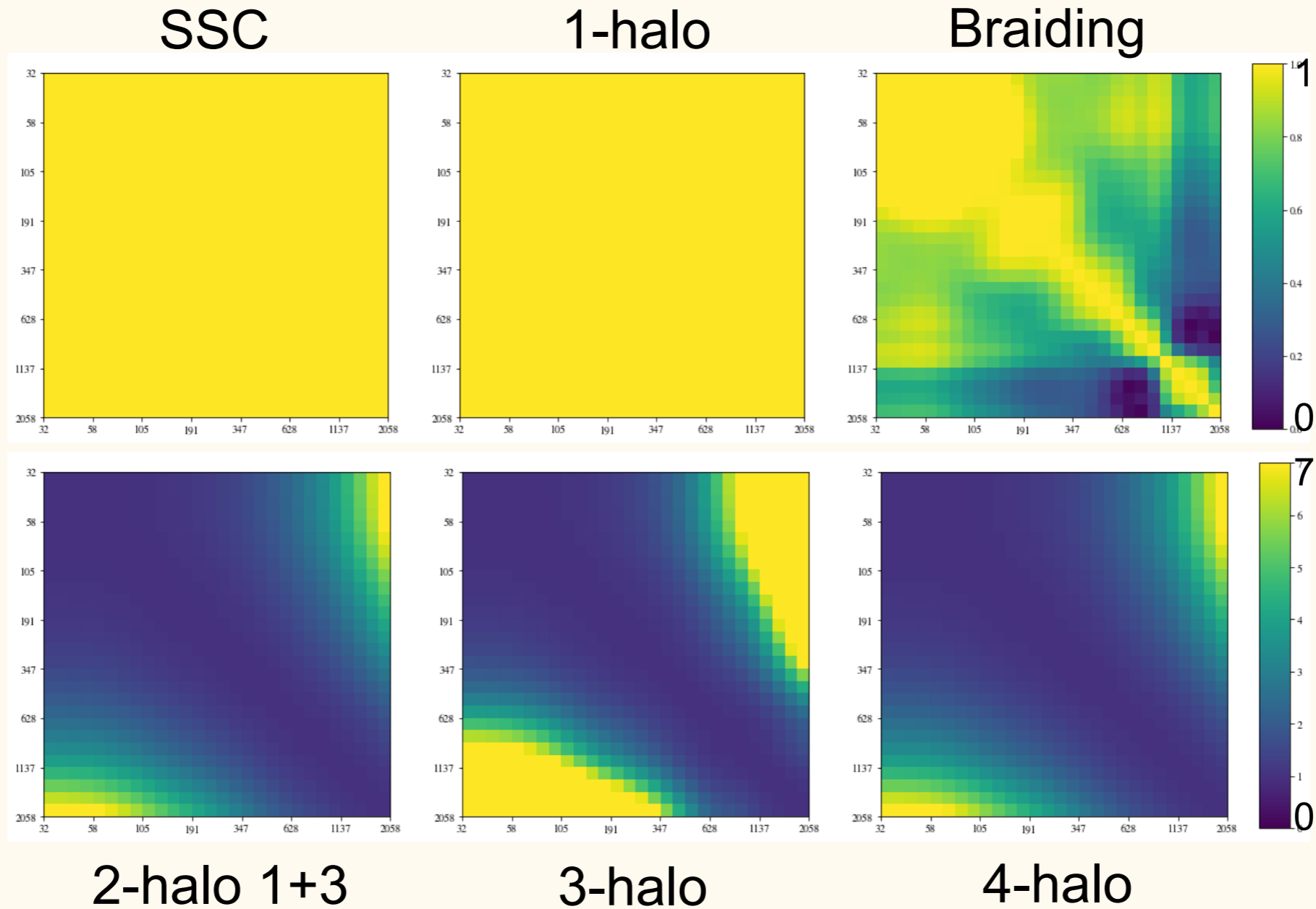
Data and notebook on  
[github.com/fabienlacasa/BraidingArticle](https://github.com/fabienlacasa/BraidingArticle)

# Measurement error bars



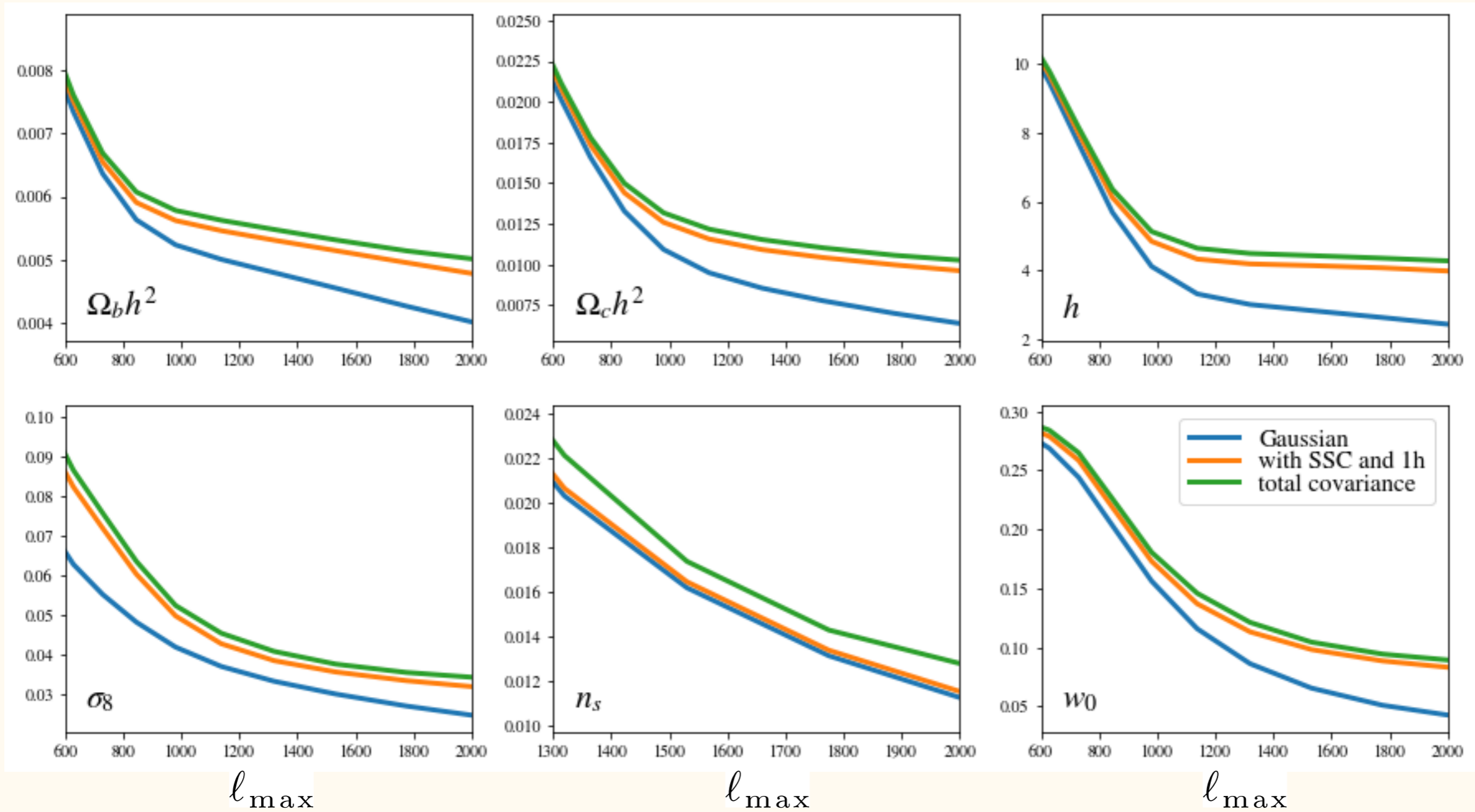
# Covariance matrices : off-diagonal importance

$$\frac{C_{ij}}{\sqrt{C_{ii} C_{jj}}}$$



z=1

# Cosmological error bars



all z

# Increase of error bars due to non-Gaussianity

|            | with marginalisation | without marginalisation |
|------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| $\sigma_8$ | <b>+41%</b>          | +360%                   |
| $n_s$      | <b>+15%</b>          | +84%                    |
| $w$        | <b>+120%</b>         | +310%                   |

# Intermediate conclusion

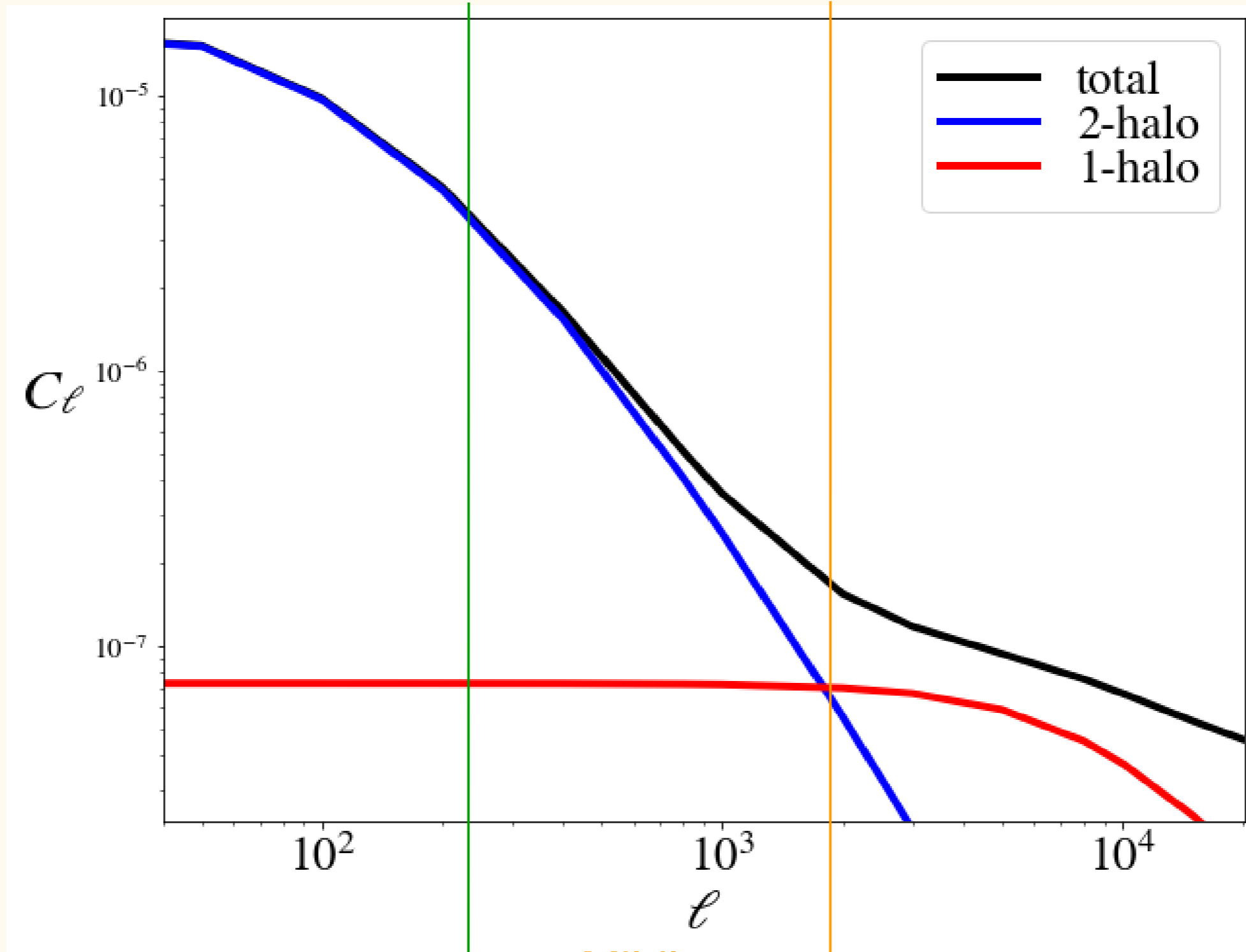
- Non-Gaussian covariance important already for baseline cosmo analysis
- New non-Gaussian terms significant in particular for shape of  $P(k)$
- Good news: non-Gaussianity eases up parameter degeneracies



# IV. The power of small scales

Lacasa 2019b - arXiv: 1912.06906

# Scales



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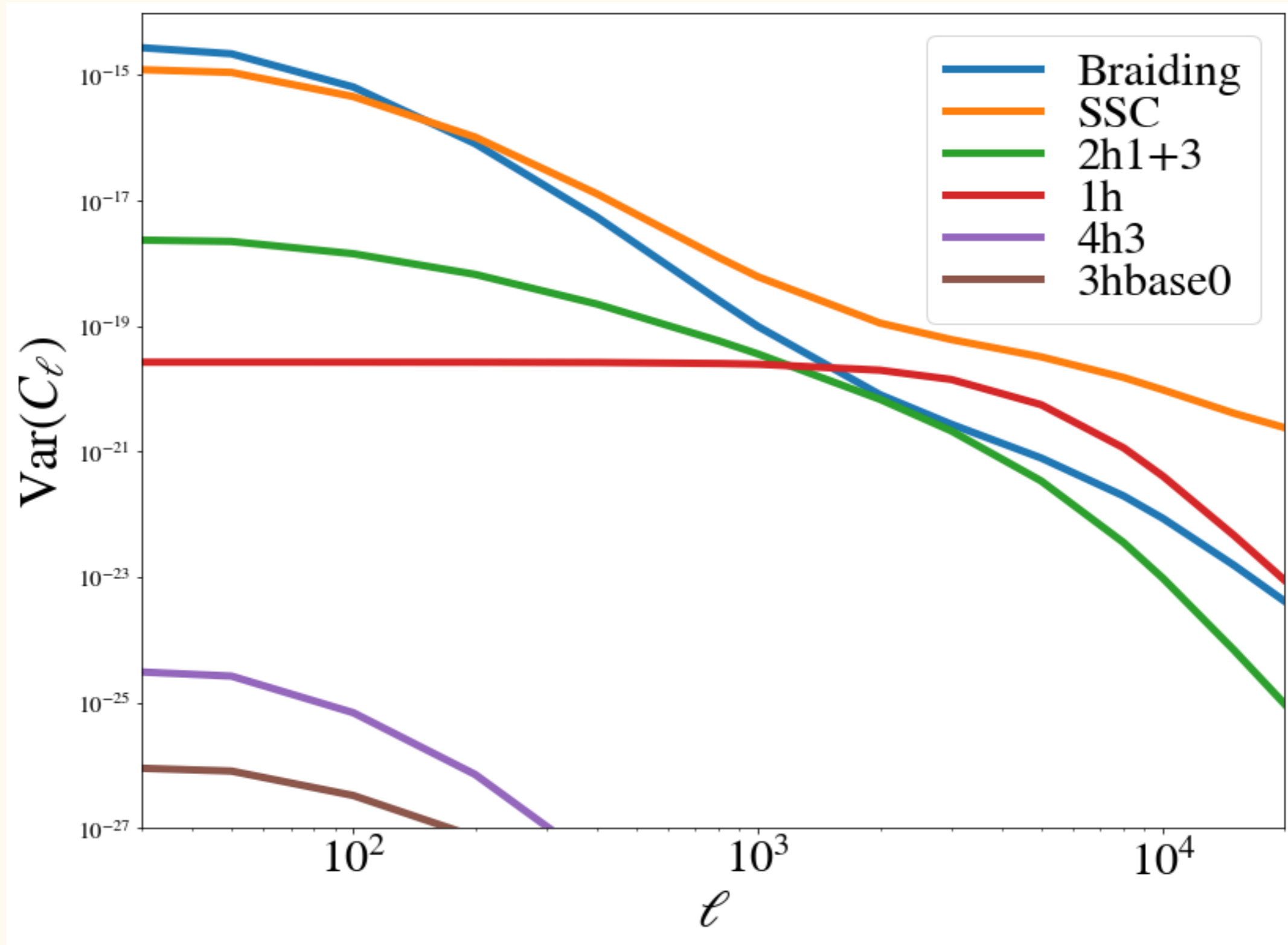
Regime

Linear

Mildly  
non-linear

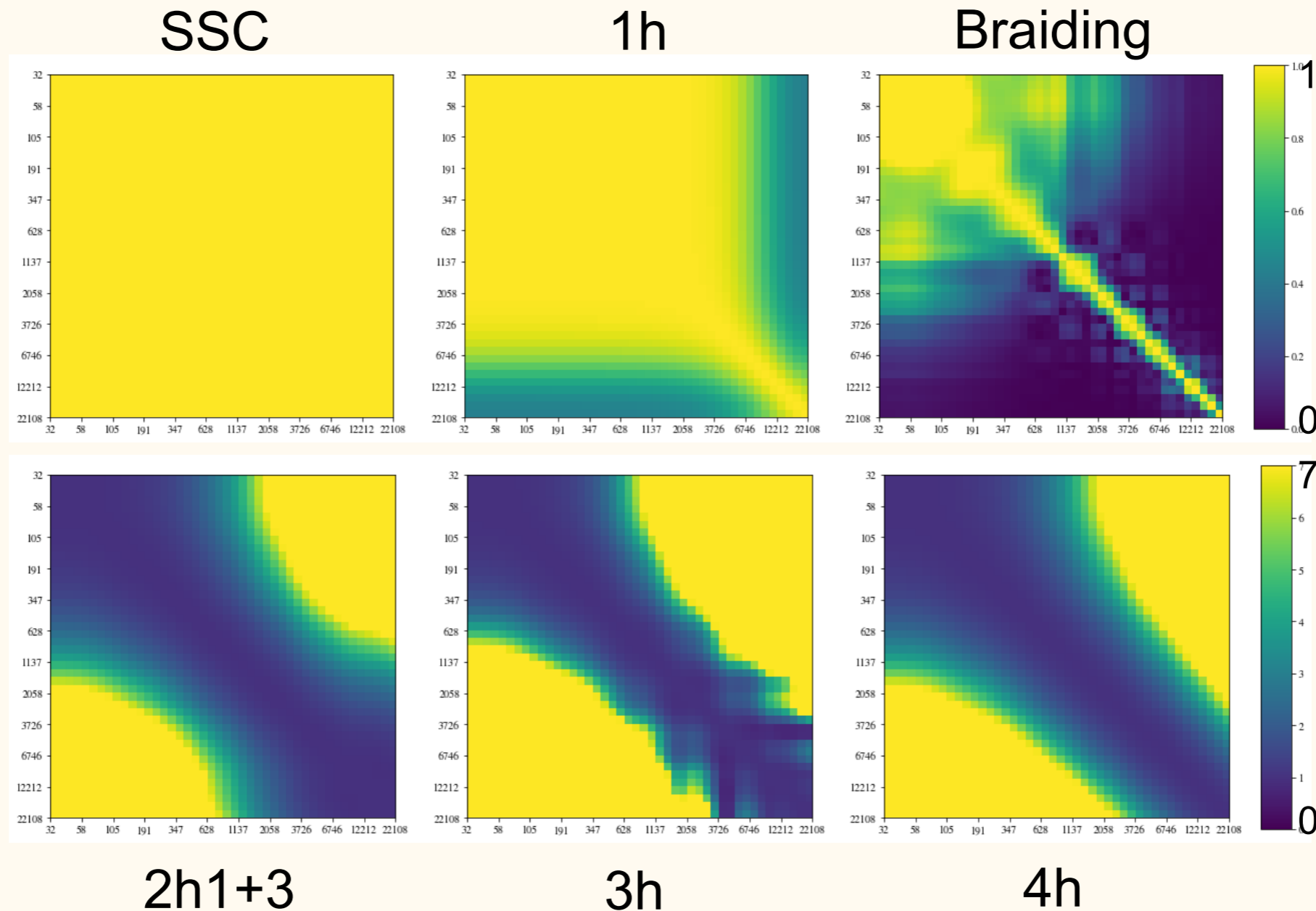
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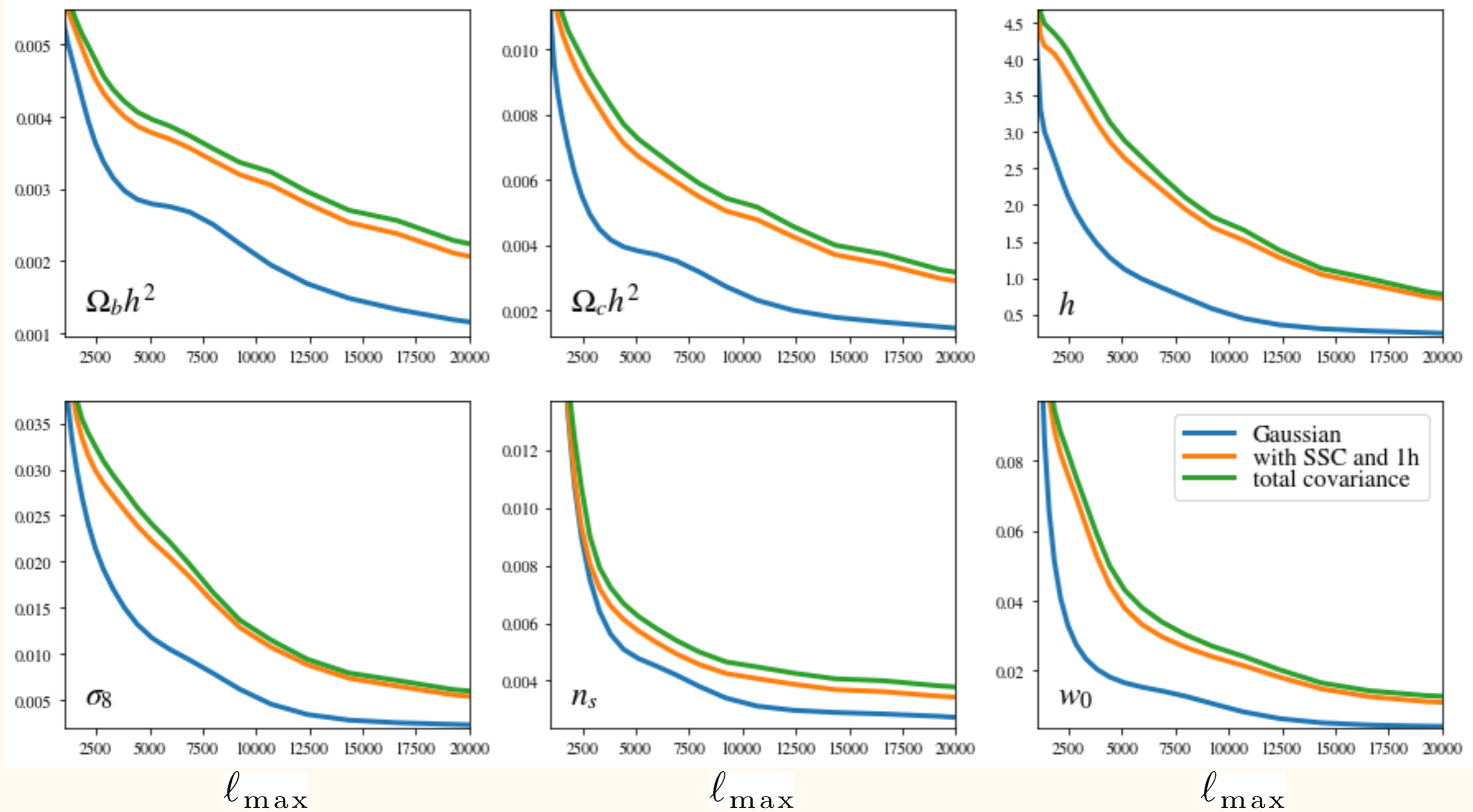
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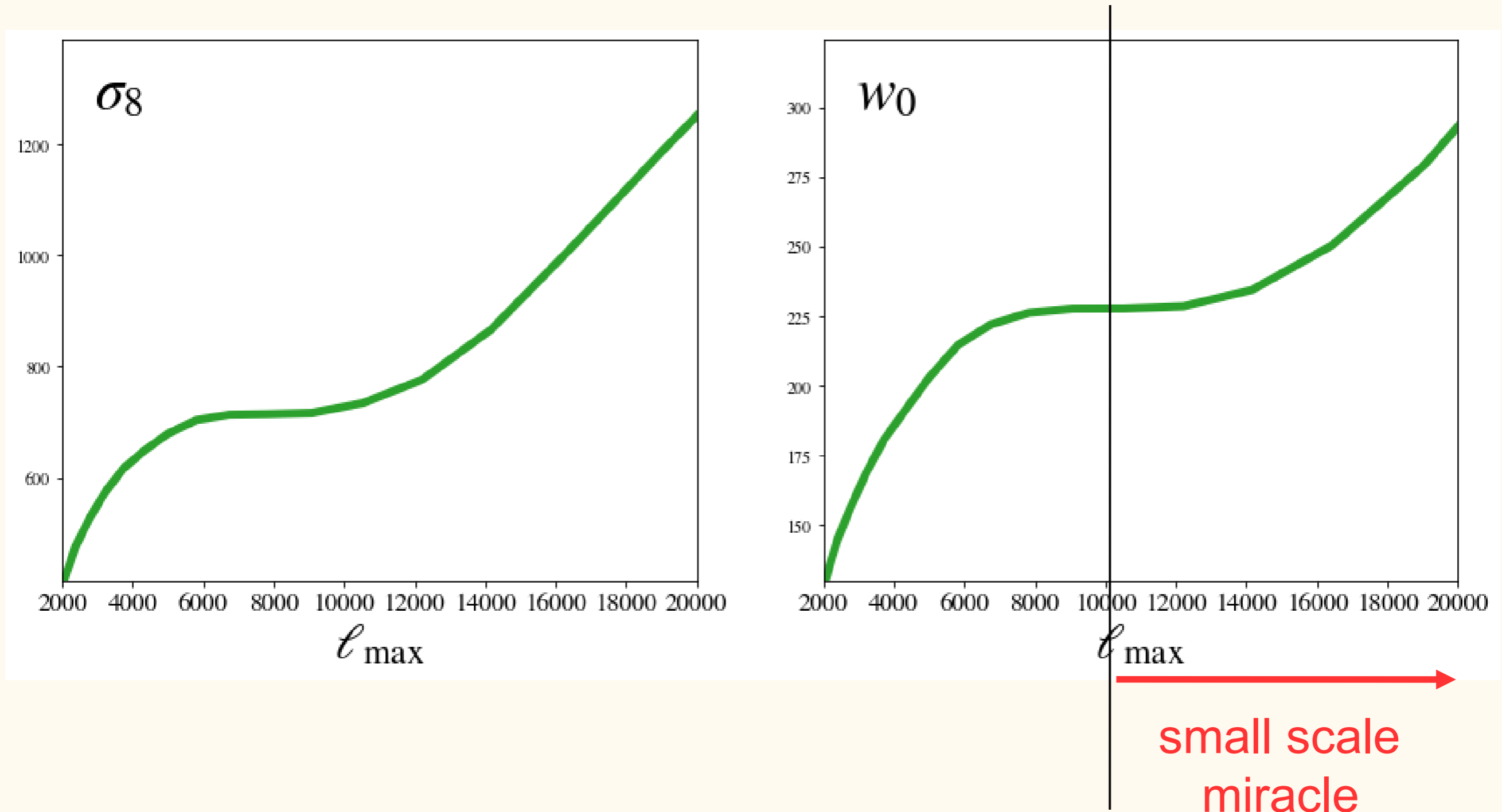
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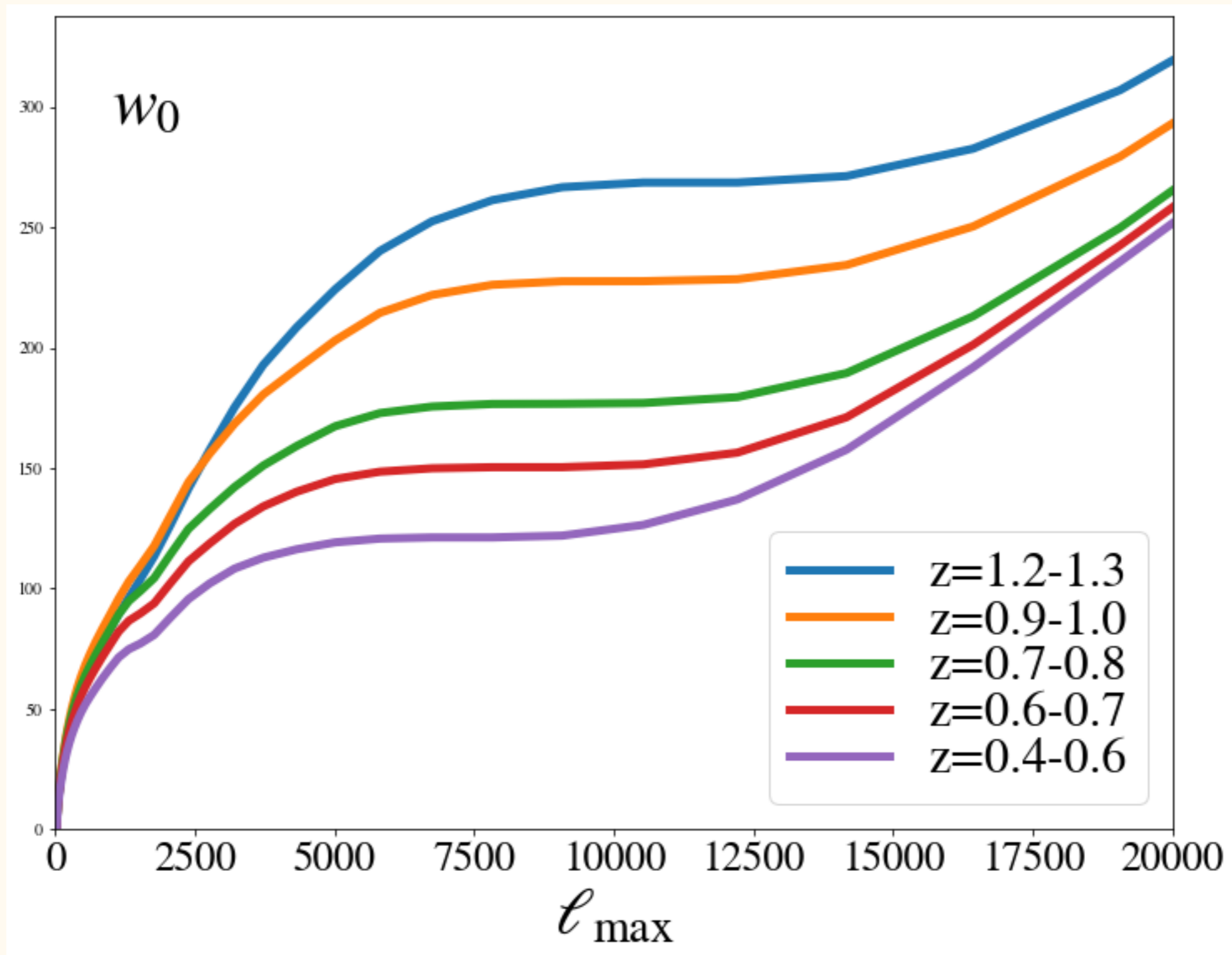
# Fisher : unique redshift bin

$z=1$

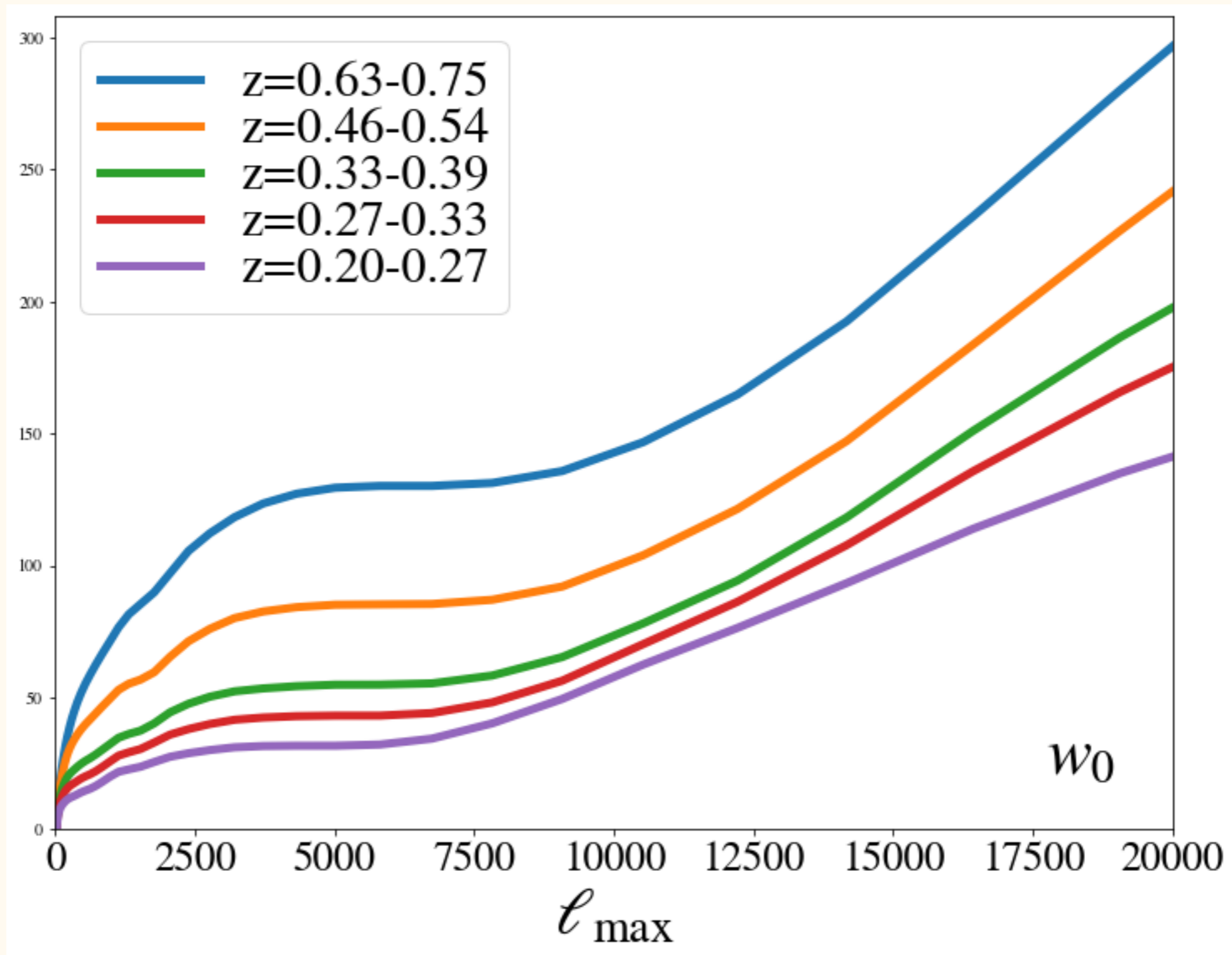




# Fisher per redshift bin

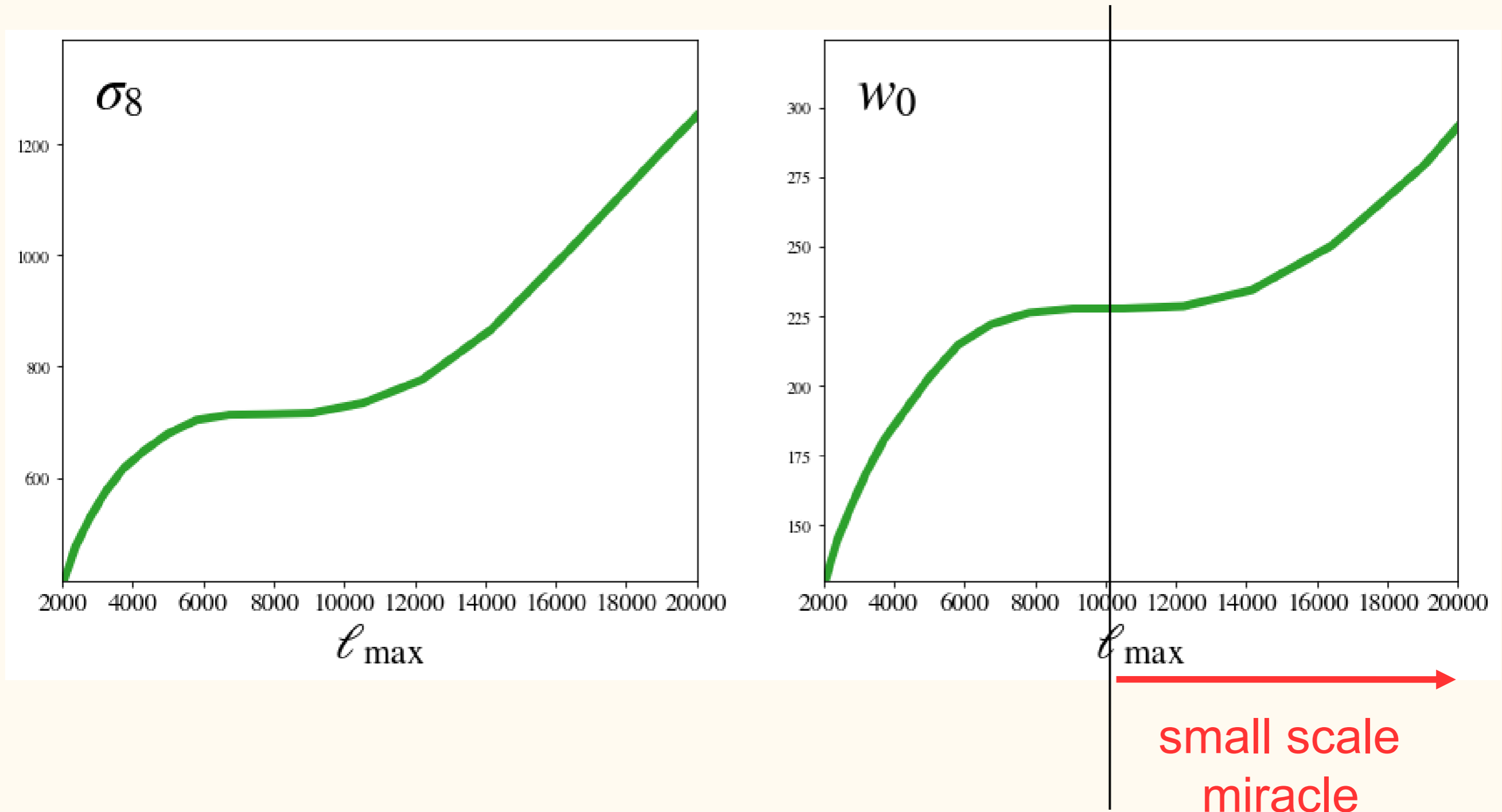


# Fisher : SKA2

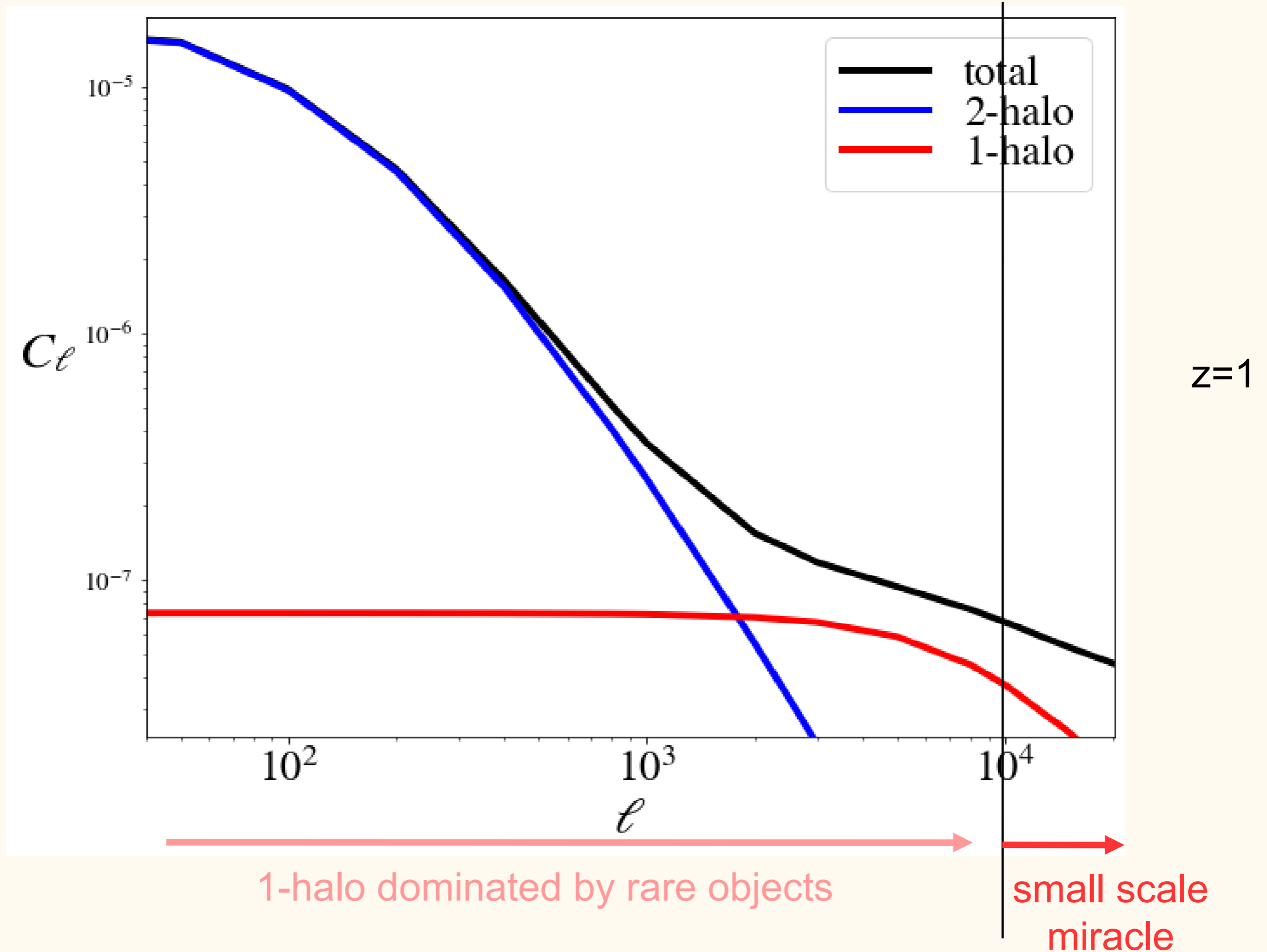


# Fisher : unique redshift bin

$z=1$



# Scales



# Conclusions

# Non-Gaussian covariances

- are important even in mildly non-linear regime
  - ease up parameter degeneracies
- **cosmo more robust to astro uncertainties !**



# Small scales / highly non-linear regime

- Precise measurement with next-gen surveys

- information rises again : small scale miracle

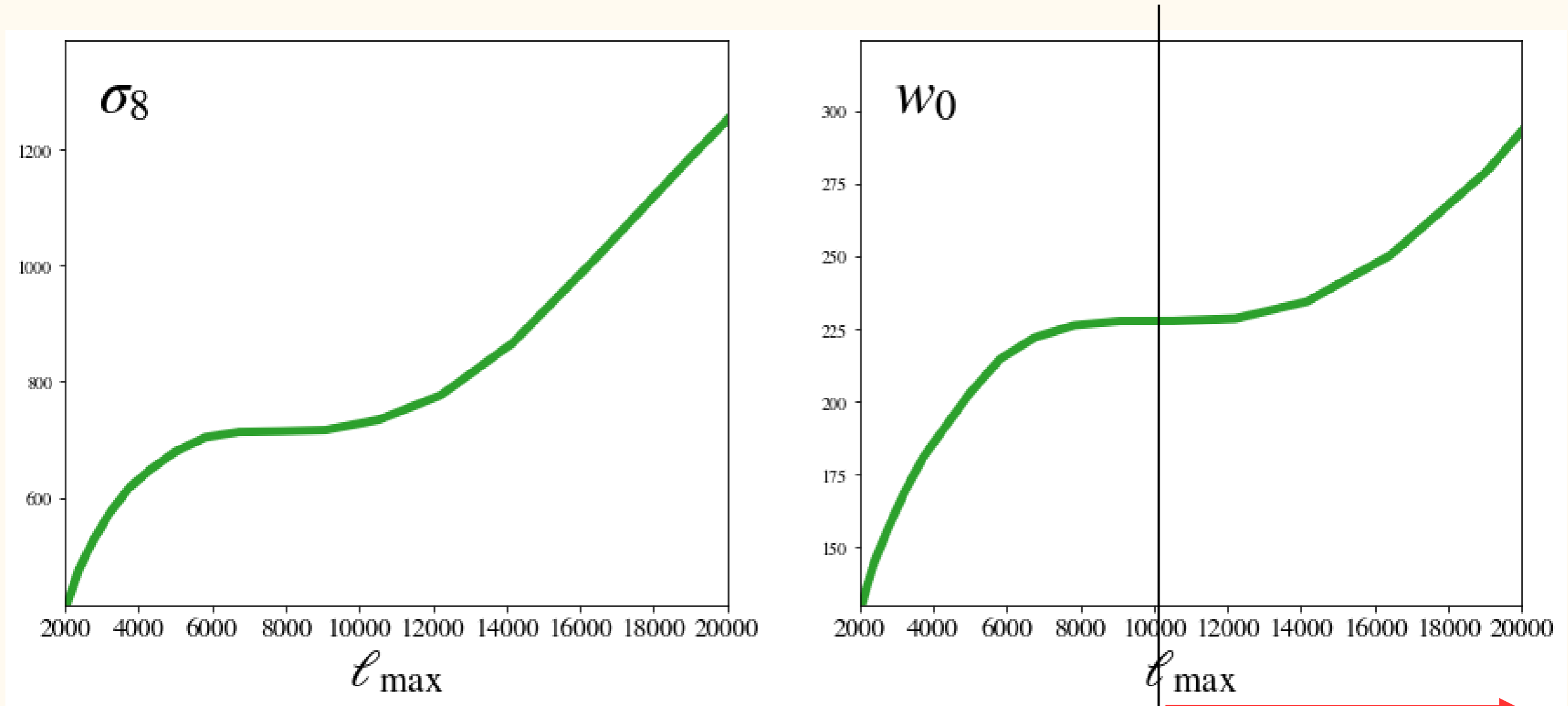
→ **a lot to gain with joint cosmo+astro analysis !**

**Thank you**

# Additional slides

# Fisher : unique bin de redshift

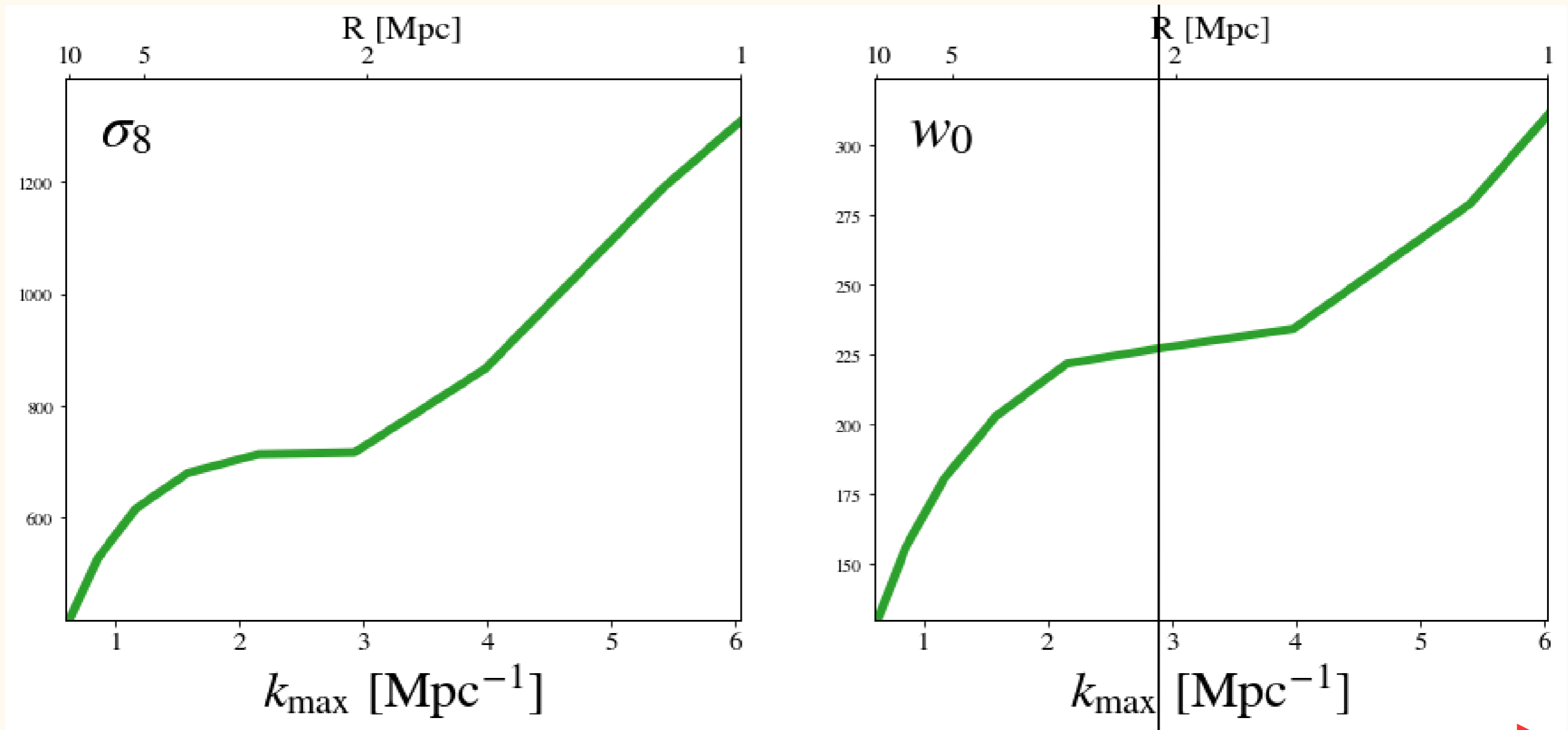
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Miracle des  
petites  
échelles

# En échelle physique

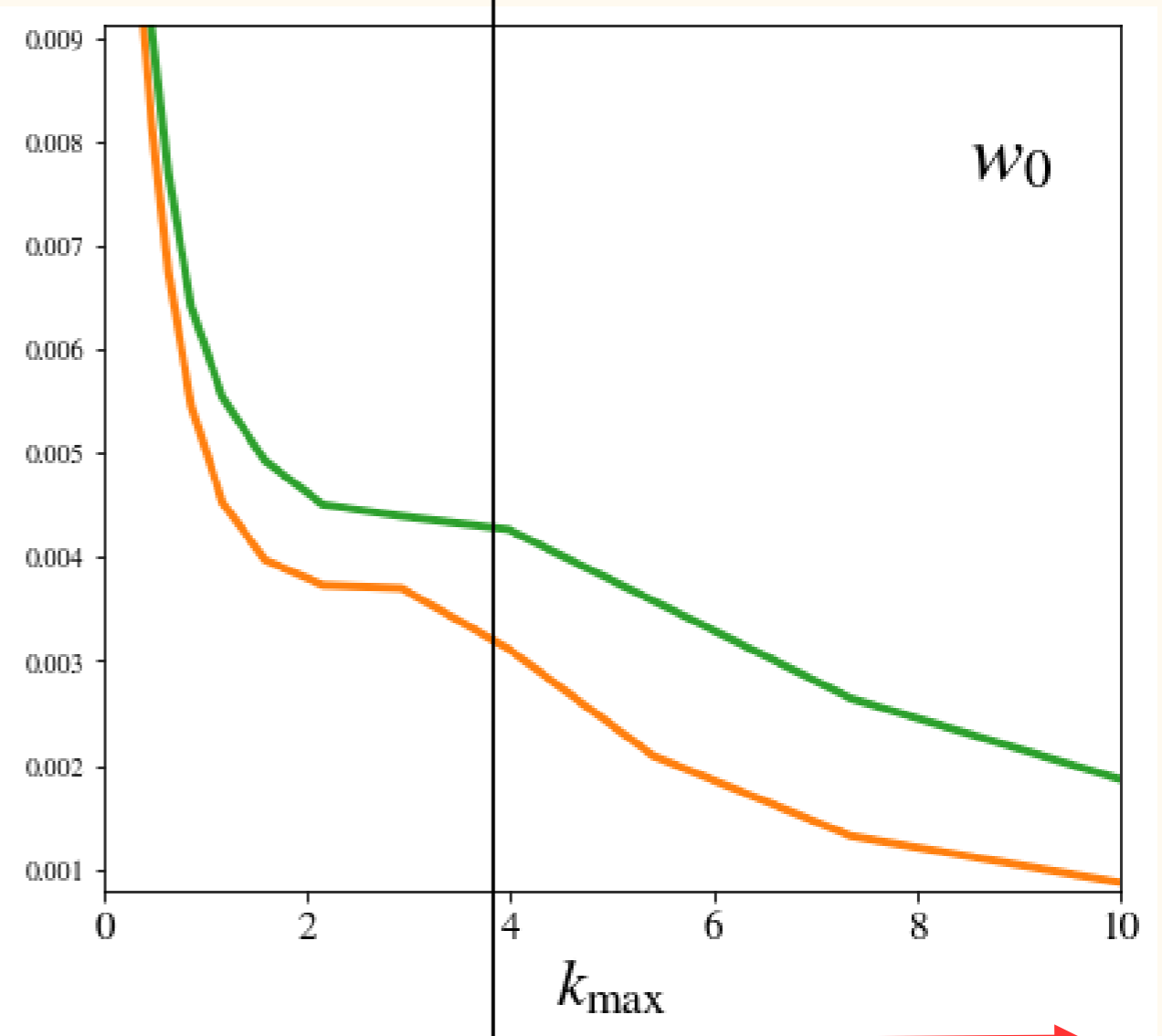
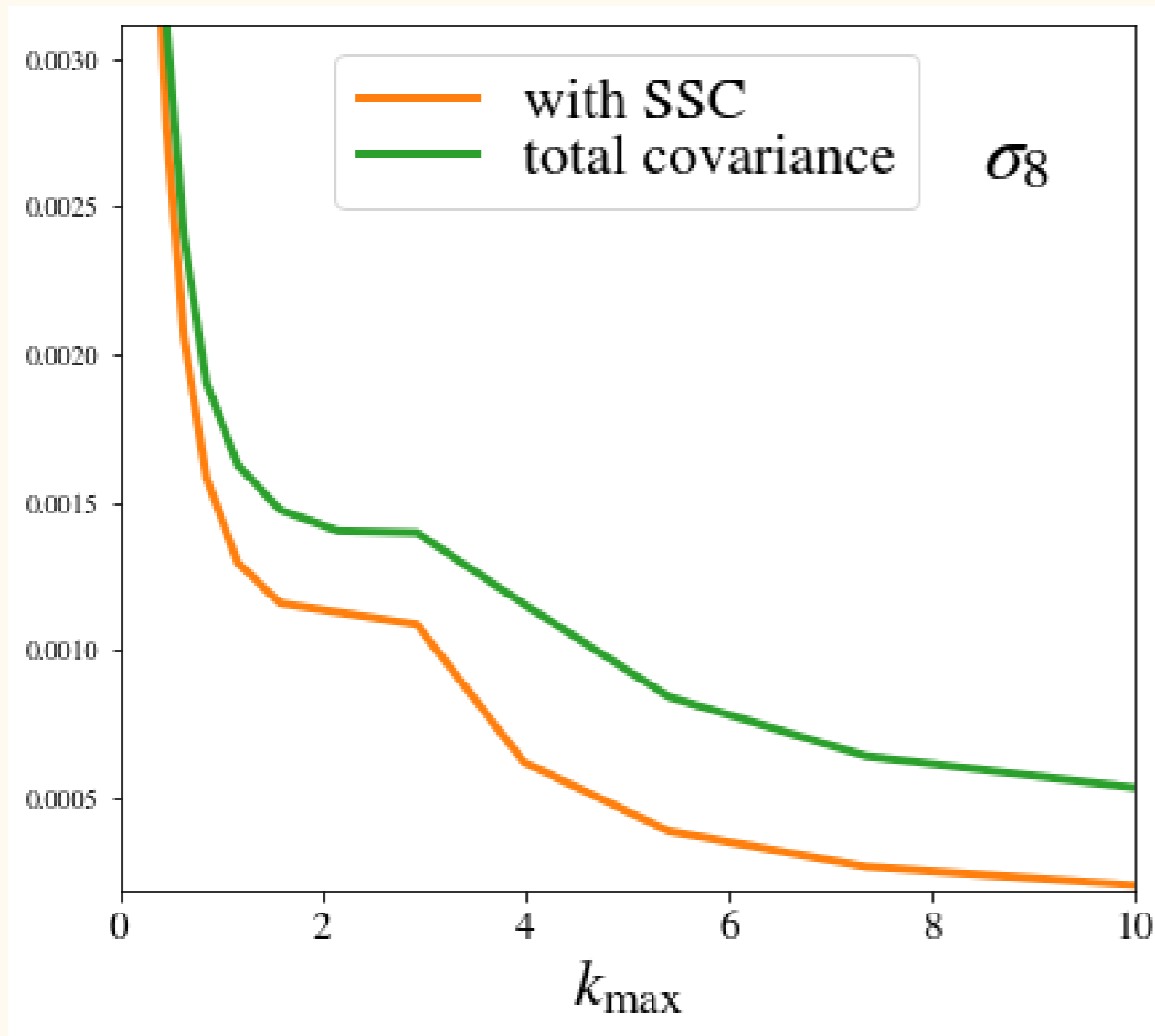
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# Errors: single redshift bin (without marginalisation)

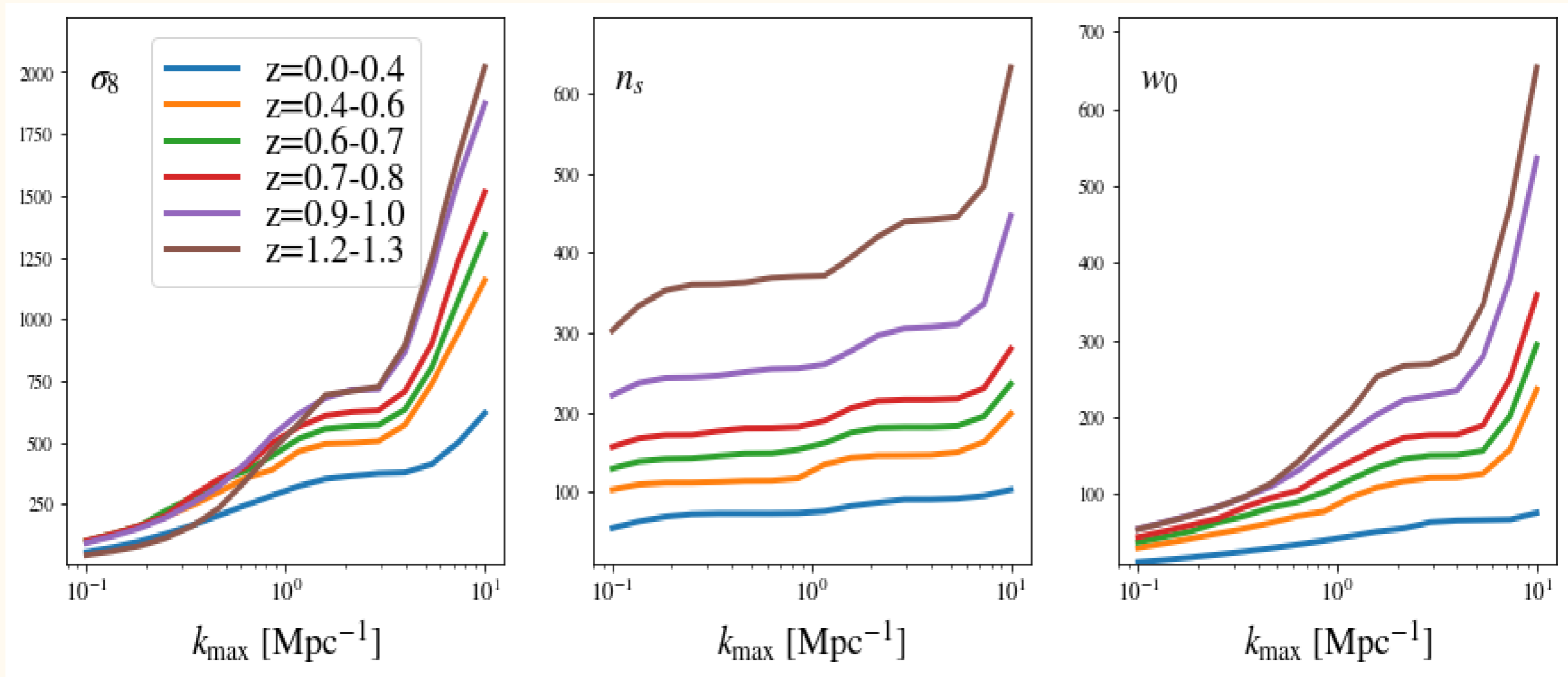
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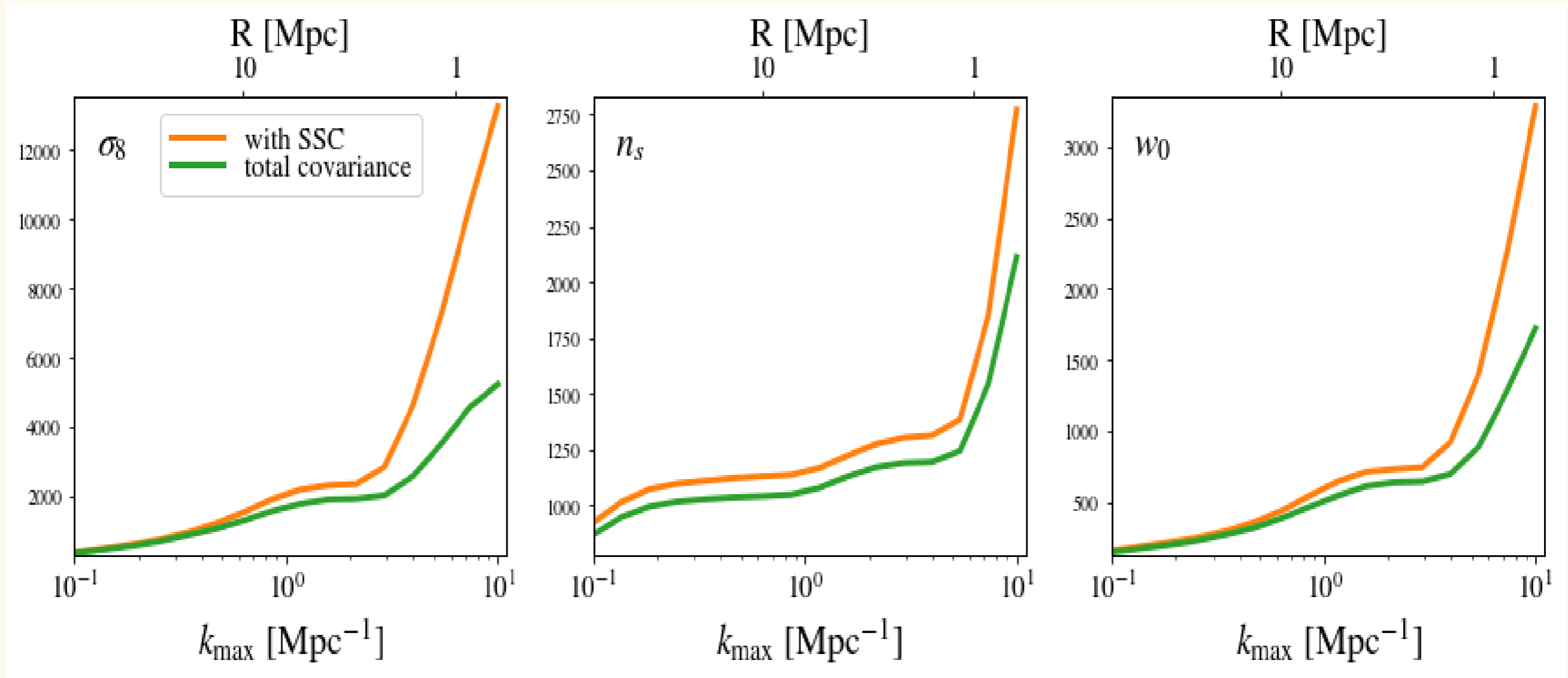
small scale  
miracle



# 1/errors: all redshift bins (without marginalisation)

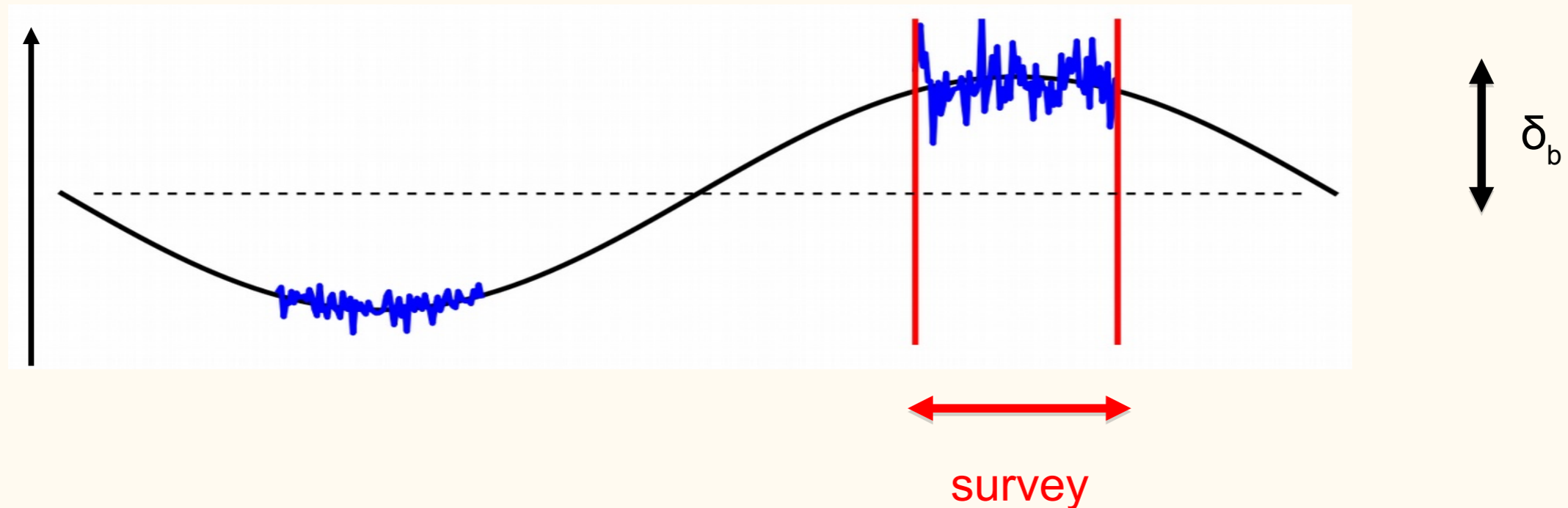


# 1/errors: sum all redshift bins (without marginalisation)



# Super-sample covariance (SSC)

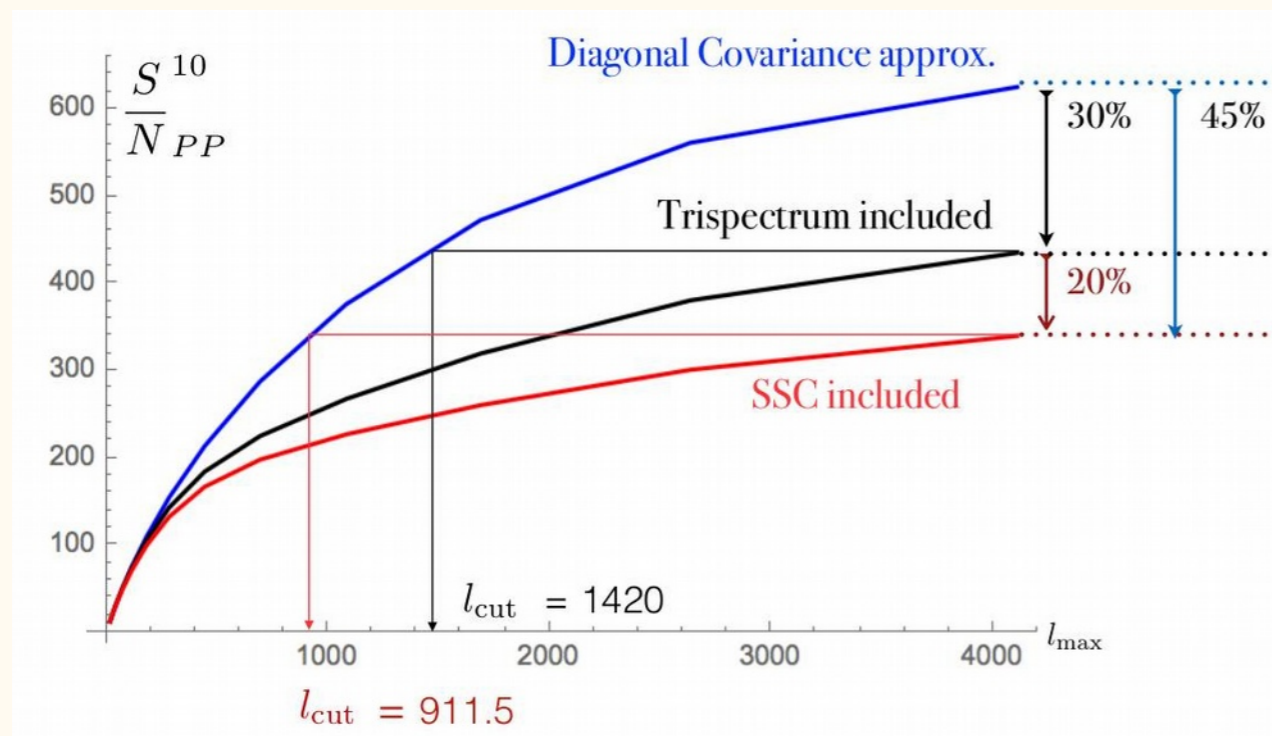
Matter density



Separate universe argument : (Wagner et al. 2015)  
can simulate region  $\delta_b$  in cosmo  $\Omega$  by change of cosmo  $\Omega'(\Omega, \delta_b)$

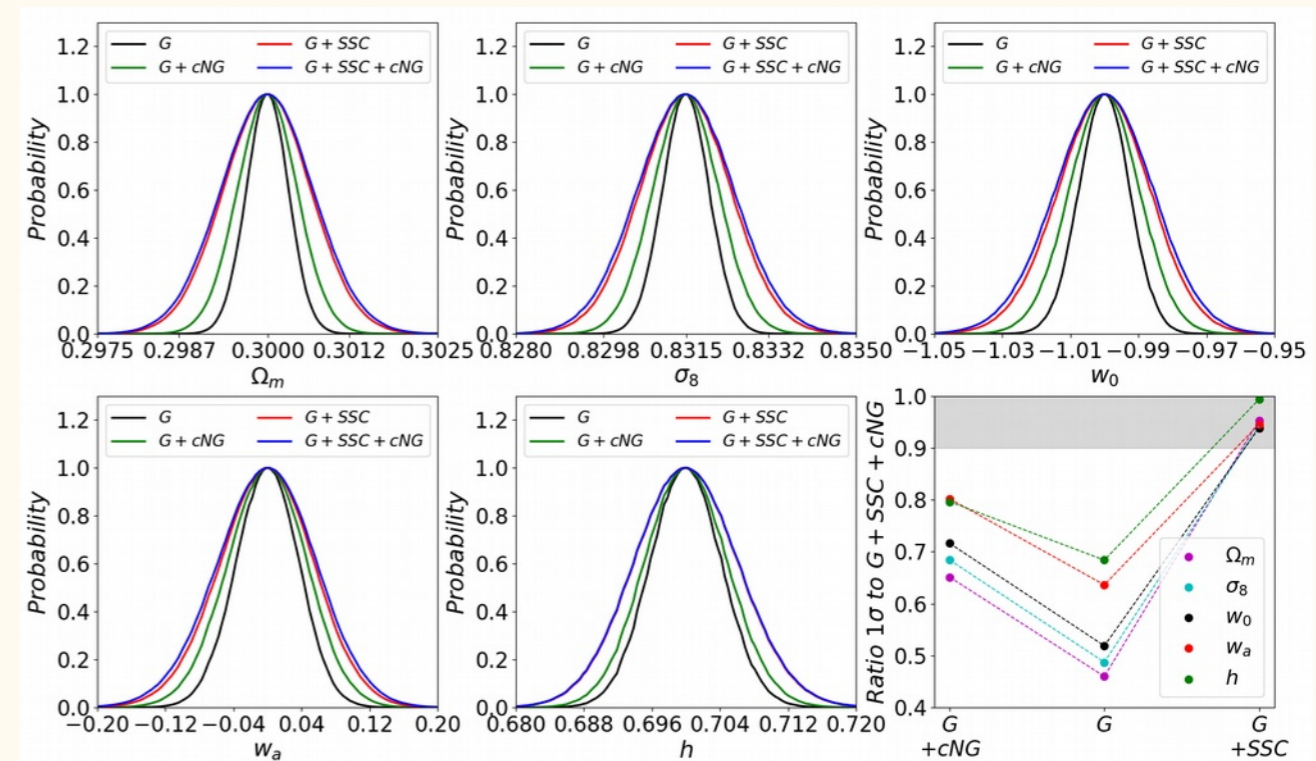
# Is SSC important ?

Weak lensing : **yes**



Rizzato et al. 2018

Euclid : decrease of S/N by factor  $\sim 2$



Barreira et al. 2018

Euclid : error bars increase +30% to +110%

DE,  $\sigma_8$  and  $\Omega_m$  particularly affected

# Increase of error bars by non-Gaussianity

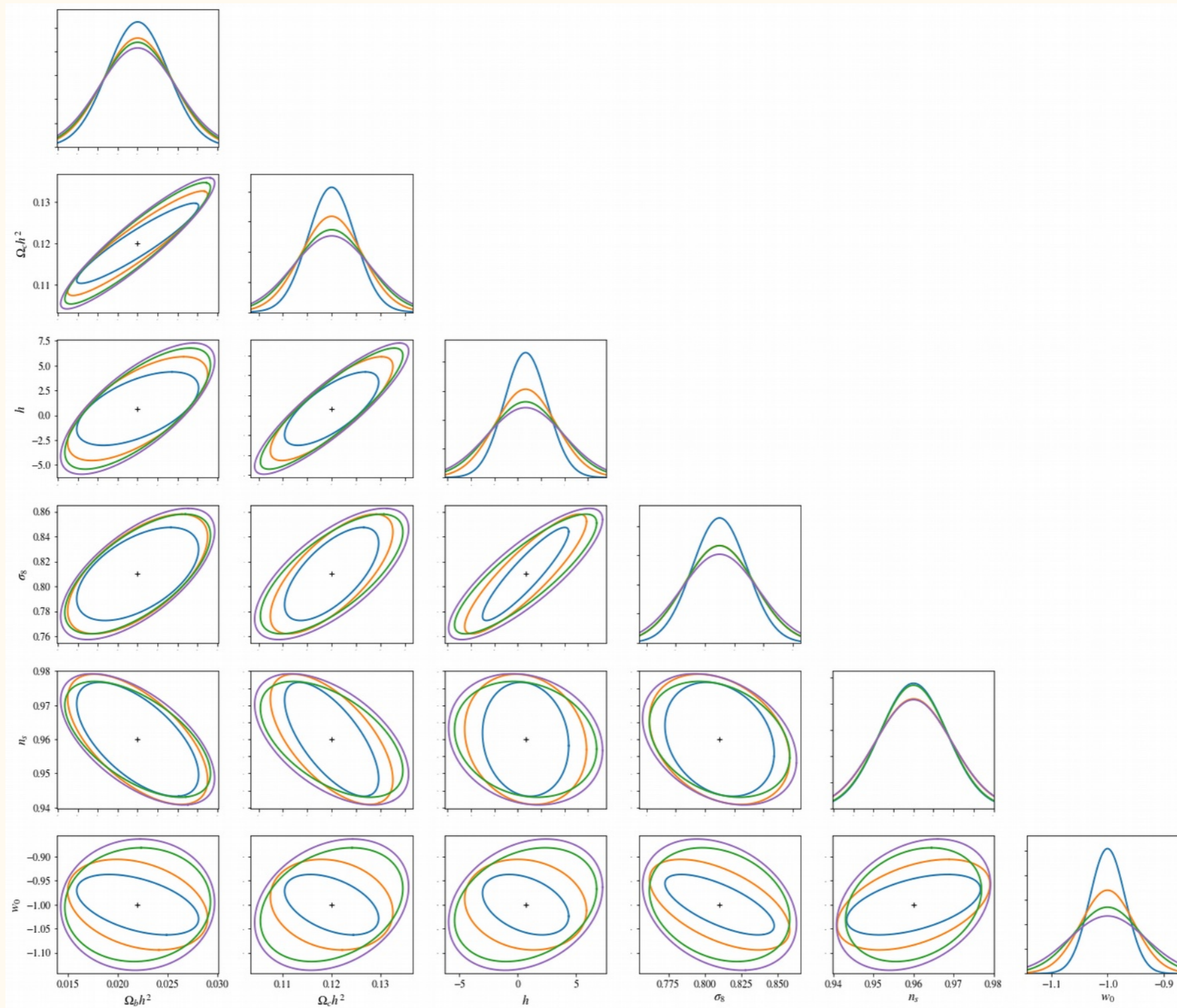
|            | Before marginalisation |       | After marginalisation |              |
|------------|------------------------|-------|-----------------------|--------------|
|            | SSC +1h                | total | SSC +1h               | total        |
| $\sigma_8$ | +340%                  | +360% | +31%                  | <b>+41%</b>  |
| $n_s$      | +70%                   | +84%  | +3%                   | <b>+15%</b>  |
| $w$        | +290%                  | +310% | +100%                 | <b>+120%</b> |

# Increase of error bars due to non-Gaussianity

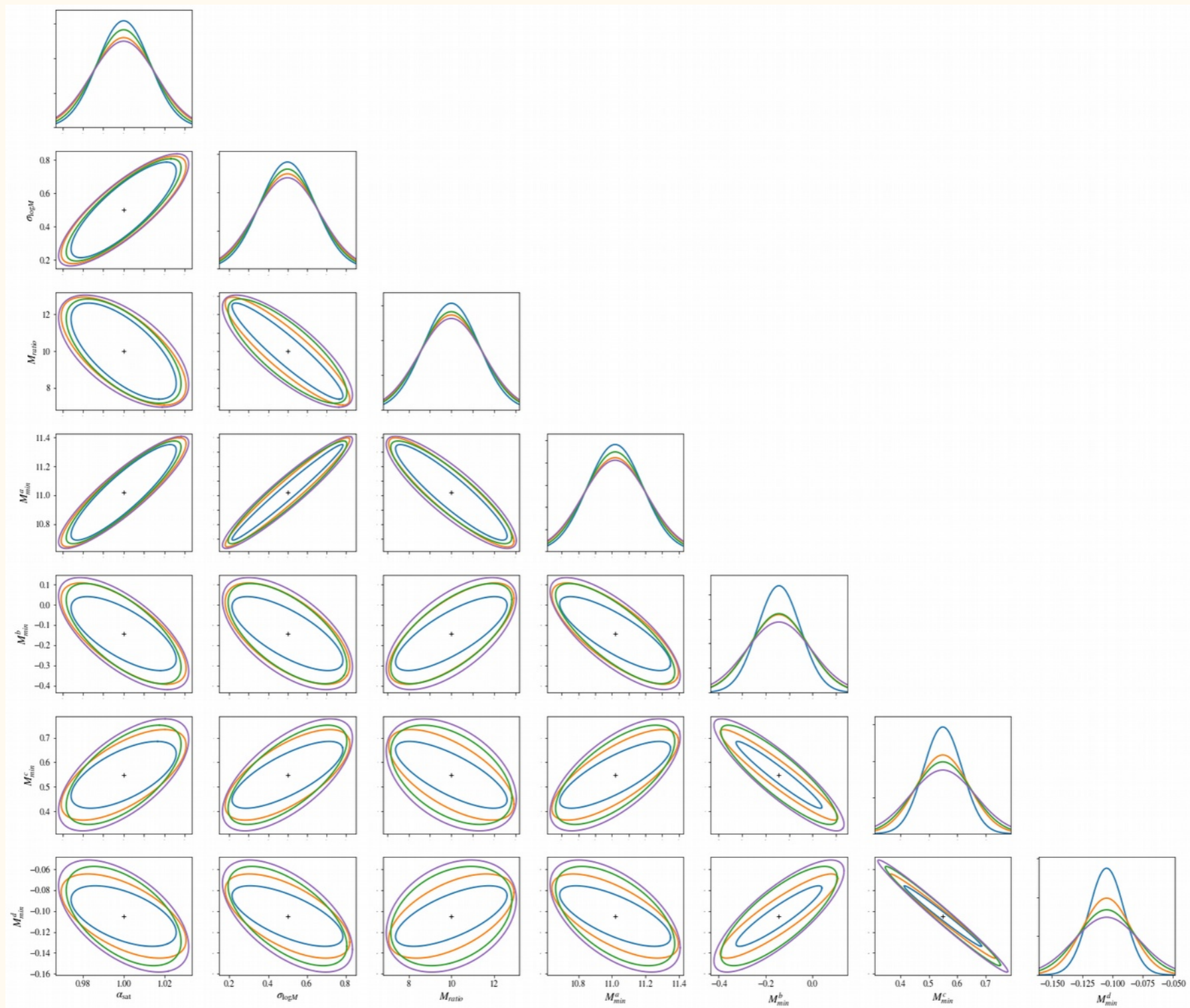
|            | with marginalisation<br>no prior | with marginalisation<br>$H_0$ prior | without marginalisation |
|------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| $\sigma_8$ | <b>+41%</b>                      | +88%                                | +360%                   |
| $n_s$      | <b>+15%</b>                      | +14%                                | +84%                    |
| $w$        | <b>+120%</b>                     | +130%                               | +310%                   |



# Fisher ellipses : cosmo

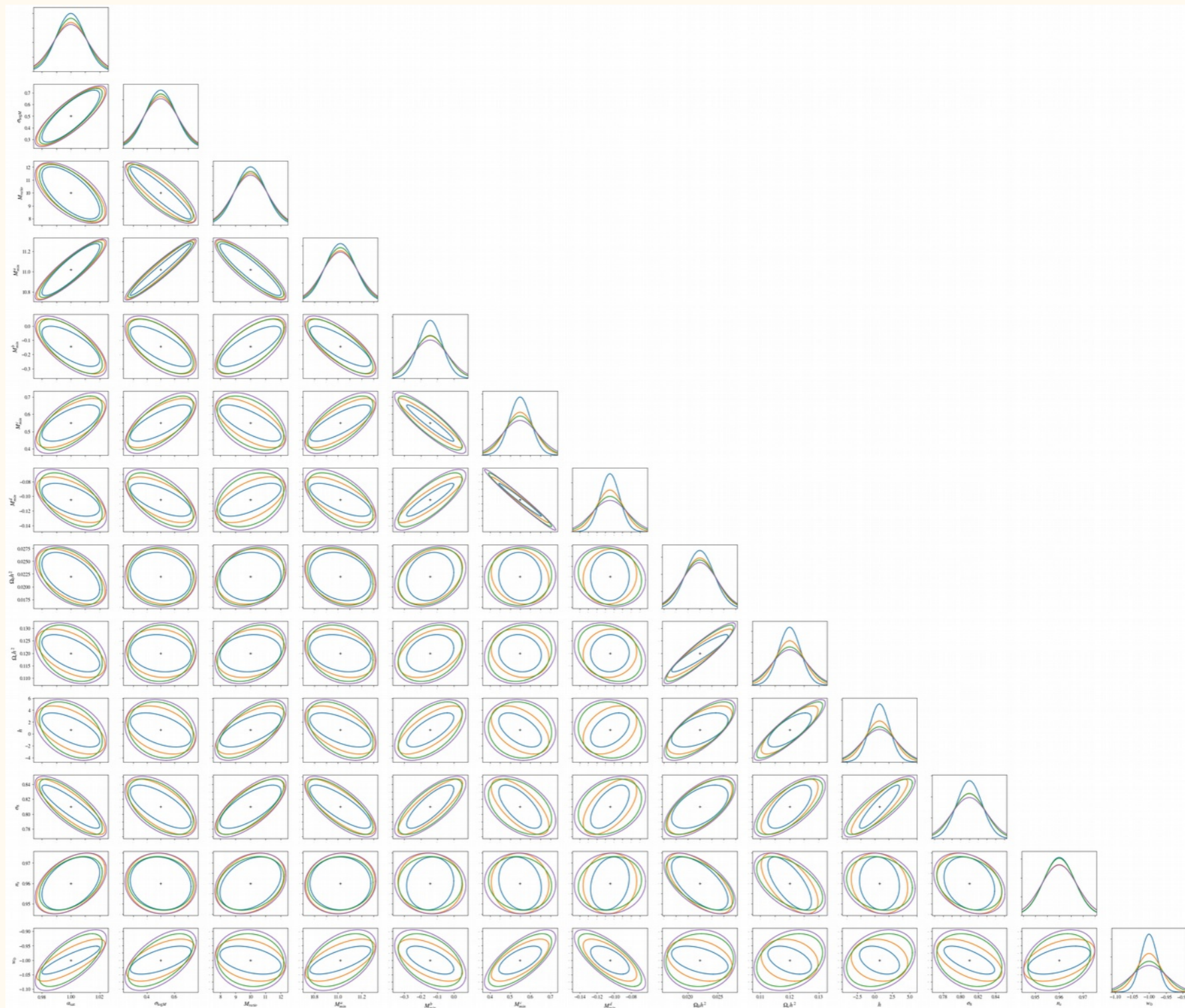


# Fisher ellipses : HOD

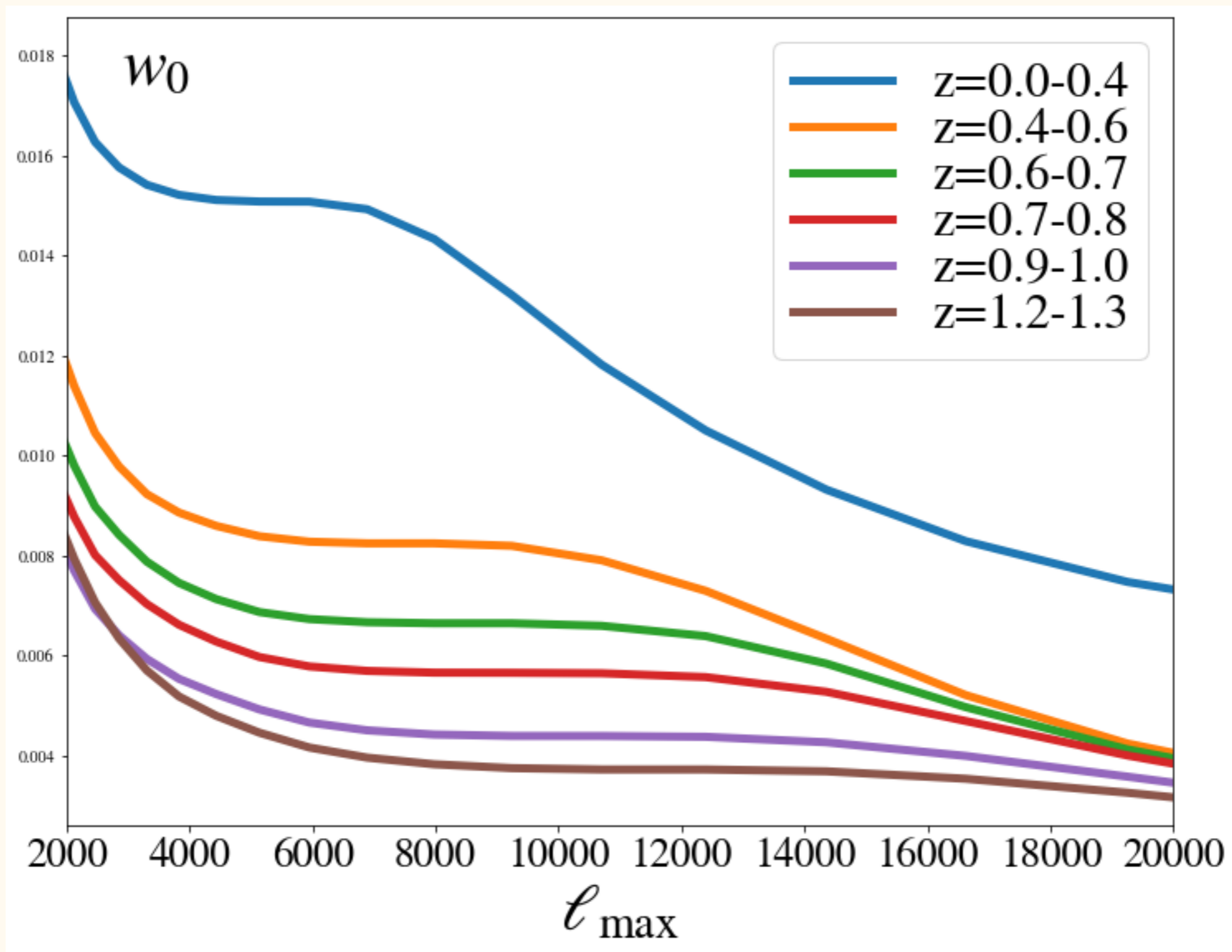




# Fisher ellipses : all



# Errors with a single redshift



# Covariance of the galaxy power spectrum : diagrammatic approach

