Mean density estimation for Accurate power spectrum estimation

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FKP estimator

FKP: Feldmann, Kaiser and Peacock 1994, ApJ 426 23

FKP estimator

$$F(\boldsymbol{x}) = w(\boldsymbol{x}) \left[n_{\text{data}}(\boldsymbol{x}) - \alpha n_{\text{rand}}(\boldsymbol{x}) \right]$$

 α = data/random ratio

Minimum variance weight

$$w_{\text{FKP}}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \bar{n}(\boldsymbol{x})P_{est}}$$

which minimises the statistical error

$$\sigma_P(k)/P(k)$$
 (monopole)

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$$\tilde{P}(\boldsymbol{k}) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}} F(\boldsymbol{k}) F(\boldsymbol{k})^* - \mathcal{S}$$

The estimated power spectrum is related to the true power spectrum via window function convolution

$$\tilde{P}(\boldsymbol{k}) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} |\hat{W}(\boldsymbol{k} - \boldsymbol{k}')|^2 P(\boldsymbol{k}')$$
$$W(\boldsymbol{x}) = w(\boldsymbol{x})\bar{n}(\boldsymbol{x})$$

Mean density for the FKP weight

FKP weight
$$w_{\mathrm{FKP}}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \bar{n}(\boldsymbol{x})P_{est}}$$

ensemble average, or the density without clustering

$$\bar{n}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \langle n_g(\boldsymbol{x}) \rangle$$

usually,

$$\bar{n}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \bar{n}(z) \times f(RA, Dec)$$

In Euclid, we cannot make such decomposition Need to estimate density in **3D** from random catalogue

Density estimation

Kernel density estimation

- Fixed kernel
 - PM simulation
 - P(k) estimation
- Adaptive kernel
 - SPH hydro simulation

Delaunay tessellation

Statistical - systematic tradeoff

statistical fluctuation vs bias (over smoothing)



How does the statistical/systematic error in mean density affect *P(k)* estimation?

$$w_{\text{FKP}}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \bar{n}(\boldsymbol{x})P_{est}}$$

1. Should not contribute to systematic error in *P(k)*

everything is encoded in the window function

2. Increases the statistical error in P(k)

because the weight is suboptimal

but how significantly?

Using the FFT grid for nbar



Power spectrum multipoles

Using the FFT grid for nbar

Numbers

 $\Delta x \sim 2\pi h^{-1} \text{Mpc}$ $k_{Nq} = \frac{\pi}{\Delta x} \sim 0.5 h \text{Mpc}^{-1}$ $\bar{n} \sim 10^{-4} - 10^{-3} [h^{-1} \text{Mpc}]^{-3}$ $\alpha^{-1} = 50 \qquad \text{[random/data]}$ $N_{rand} \text{ in cell} = 1 - 10 \text{ particles per cell}$



nbar error effect on window function



When the fluctuation is small, $\operatorname{Var}[\tilde{w}_a] \ll \langle w_a \rangle^2$, the amplitude of the window function is,

$$\frac{\operatorname{Var}[\tilde{w}_a]}{\langle \tilde{w}_a \rangle^2} V_{cell} = \left[\frac{\bar{n} P_{est}}{1 + \bar{n} P_{est}} \right] \bar{n}_{dens-est}^{-1}, \tag{35}$$

Statistical fluctuation term vs survey window function

Geometry: Flagship-like octant shell 1.7 < z < 1.8, $n(z) = 4 \times 10^{-4}$





density error adds negligible mode mixing



(2.3.2)



only 2% increase in statistical error for fiducial setup

$\alpha_{dens-est}^{-1}$	precision ratio	N _{density}	precision ratio
10	1.12	512	1.022
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Exercise with VIPERS COLA mocks





W1, high z bin (0.9 < z < 1.2)

Exercise with VIPERS COLA mocks

angular modulation of the mean number density

Spectroscopic Success Rate (SSR)





* quadrant dependence and redshift dependence is applied to the randoms

Window function with estimated nbar





diagonal error in P(k) from 1000 mocks



 $w_{\text{FKP}}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \bar{n}(\boldsymbol{x})P_{est}}$ True $\bar{n}(\boldsymbol{z})$ is used here

P(k) statistical error with estimated nbar



estimated mean density using TSC



Systematic error from coarse grid / large kernel is not affecting the P(k) error

Summary

- Euclid requires 3D density estimation for FKP estimator;
- scatter in density have negligible impact on window function; no significant additional mode mixing;
- scatter in density may or may not increase the *P(k)* error
 - could be a factor of 2 in *P(k)* error [VIPERS mock]
 - smooth the density field if necessary; systematic error (over smoothing) in mean density seems harmless for *P(k)* error
 - Using FFT grid seems for mean density is fine for Euclid, but worth checking with more realistic mocks