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Parametrised methods for Modified Gravity N-Body Simulations

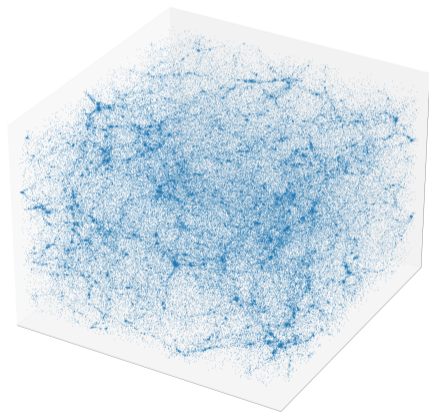
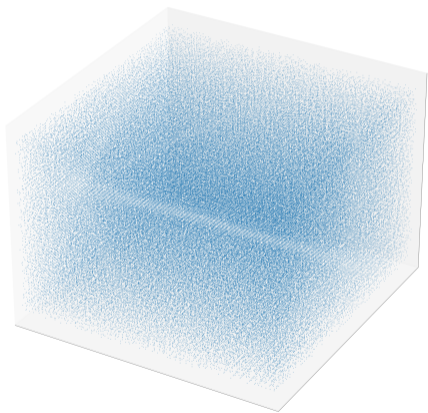
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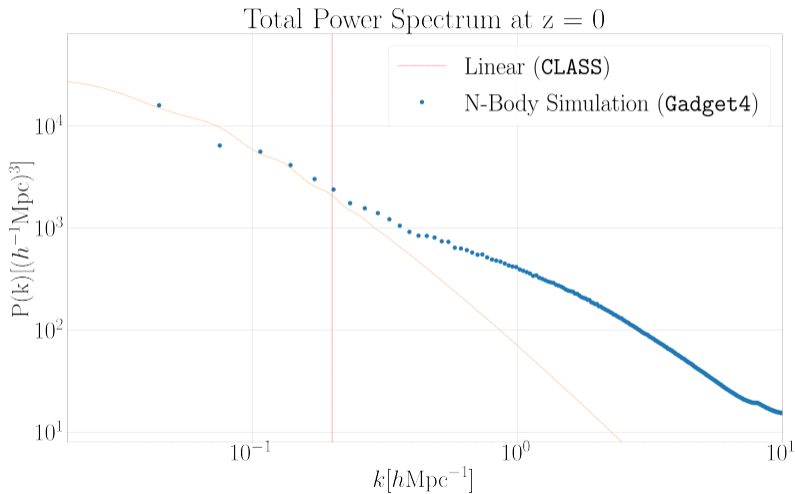
Outline

- (Brief) introduction to N-Body Simulations.
- Modified Gravity.
- Model-independent approaches.
- (Preliminary) results and conclusions.

Why N-Body Simulations?

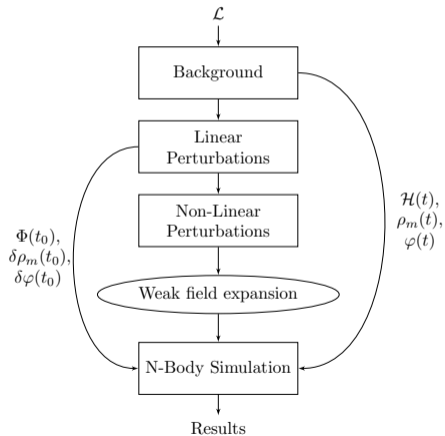


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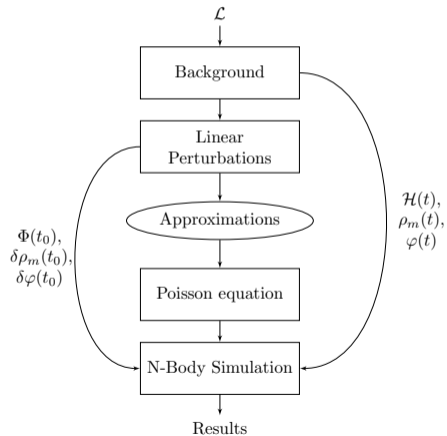


N-Body Simulations

Relativistic



Newtonian



Particle evolution

Large scales

- Linear perturbations.
- Description with Fourier modes.



Particle Mesh (PM)

$$k^2\Phi(k) = -4\pi G a^2 \delta\rho_m$$

- Fixed grid.
- Need finer grid to probe smaller scales.

Small scales

- Non-linear interaction.
- Local force.



Direct Force

$$\Phi(r) = -G \sum_i \frac{m_i}{|r - r_i|}$$

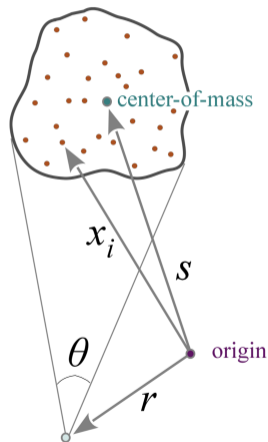
- Precise by definition.
- Huge number of interactions.

TreePM

- PM at large scales.
- Multipole expansion (Tree) at small scales.
- Merge with

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi(k) &= \Phi^{\text{long}} + \Phi^{\text{short}} \\ &= e^{-k^2 r_s^2} \Phi(k) + \left(1 - e^{-k^2 r_s^2}\right) \Phi(k).\end{aligned}$$

- Code: Gadget4 (full MPI).^a



^aS. Volker et al, Mon.Not.Roy.Astron.Soc. **506**
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Modified Gravity

Lagrangian includes new degrees of freedom

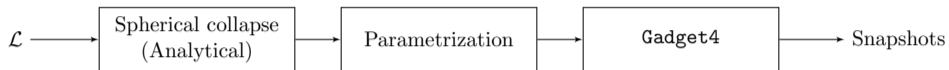
$$\mathcal{L} = R + \mathcal{L}_m \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathcal{L} = f(R, \varphi, \dots),$$

where f can be any function of R , scalar fields, etc.

For one additional (scalar) degree of freedom:

- new Klein-Gordon equation to solve (CPU);
- new field to store (memory);
- additional contribution to Poisson equation and force.

Parametrization Methods



- Spherical collapse: modification by fifth force.
- Fix parametrisation as function of k (and r), e.g.,

$$k^2\Phi(k) = -4\pi G_{\text{eff}}(k)a^2\delta\rho_m. \quad (1)$$

- Find constant parameters of parametrisation.
- Simulate.

Parametrisation Method I

- "Non-local" parametrisation for non-linear interactions.
- Effective Newton constant proposal¹

$$\frac{G_{\text{eff}}}{G}(r) = A + \sum_i^{N_0} B_i \prod_j^{N_i} b_{ij} \left(\frac{r}{r_{0ij}}\right)^{a_{ij}} \left\{ \left[1 + \left(\frac{r_{0ij}}{r}\right)^{a_{ij}} \right]^{1/b_{ij}} - 1 \right\},$$
$$\frac{G_{\text{eff}}}{G}(k) = A + \sum_i^{N_0} B_i \prod_j^{N_i} b_{ij} \left(\frac{k}{k_{0ij}}\right)^{-a_{ij}} \left\{ \left[1 + \left(\frac{k_{0ij}}{k}\right)^{-a_{ij}} \right]^{1/b_{ij}} - 1 \right\}.$$

- Already studied in the PM (large scale) part².

¹L. Lombriser, JCAP **11** (2016), 039

²F. Hassani and L. Lombriser, Mon. Not. Roy. Astron. Soc. **497** (2020) no.2, 1885-1894

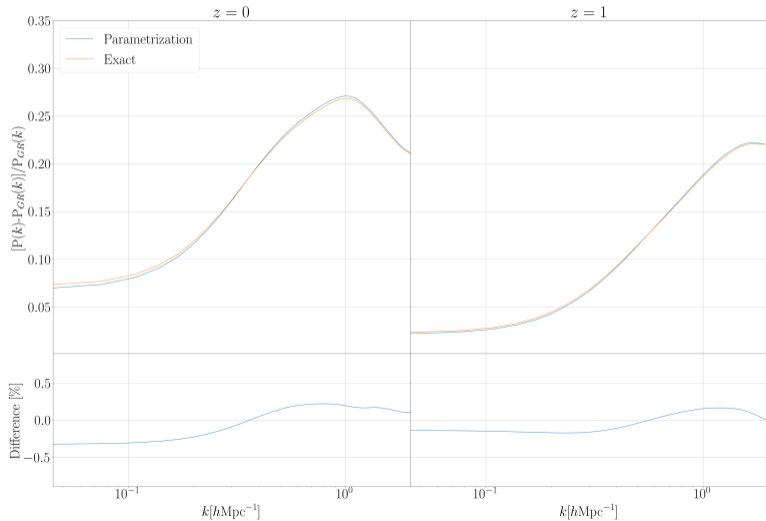
Yukawa Interaction

Simple Yukawa model

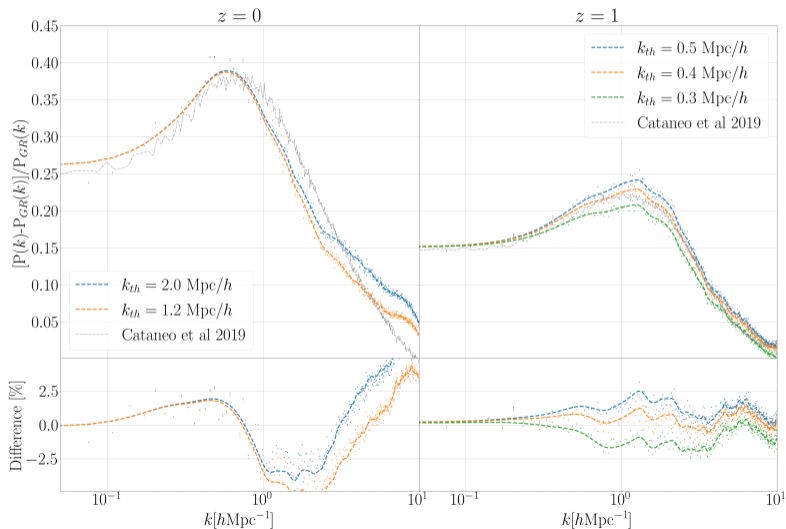
$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\Phi}(k) &= 4\pi G \frac{1}{k^2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{k^2}{k^2 + a^2 \mu^2} \right) a^2 \delta \tilde{\rho}_m(\vec{k}, a), \\ \Phi(r) &= -\frac{Gm}{r} \left(1 + \frac{1}{3} e^{-\mu ar} \right),\end{aligned}$$

Matching parametrisation and model limits ($r \rightarrow 0$, $r \rightarrow \infty$), we obtain the parametrisation parameters.

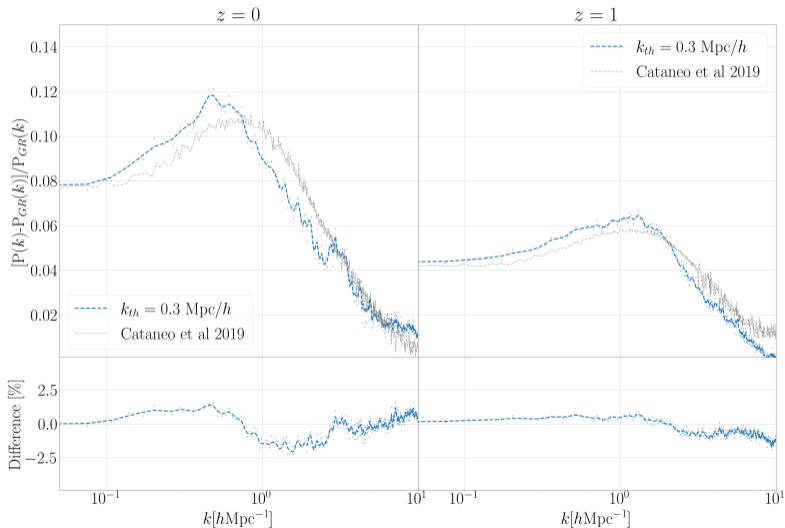
Yukawa Interaction



nDGP $r_c \mathcal{H}_0 = 0.5$



nDGP $r_c \mathcal{H}_0 = 2$



Parametrisation Method II

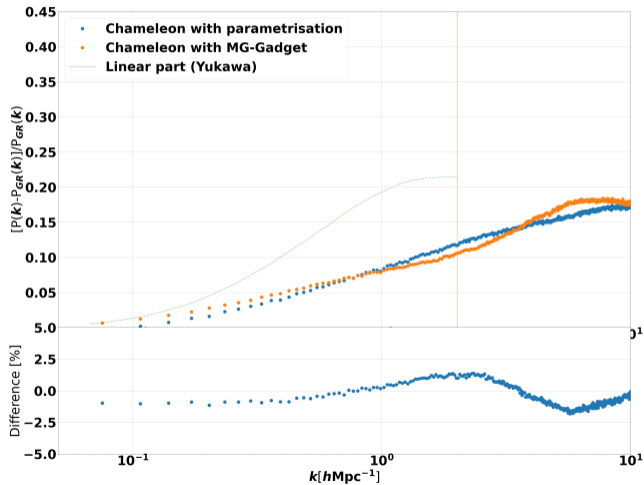
- "Local" parametrisation for non-linear interactions.
- Effective mass proposal (Chameleon screening)³

$$m_{\text{eff}} = m \frac{3 |f_{R0}|}{2 |\Phi|} \frac{\Omega_m + 4\Omega_\Lambda}{\Omega_m a^{-3} + 4\Omega_\Lambda}. \quad (2)$$

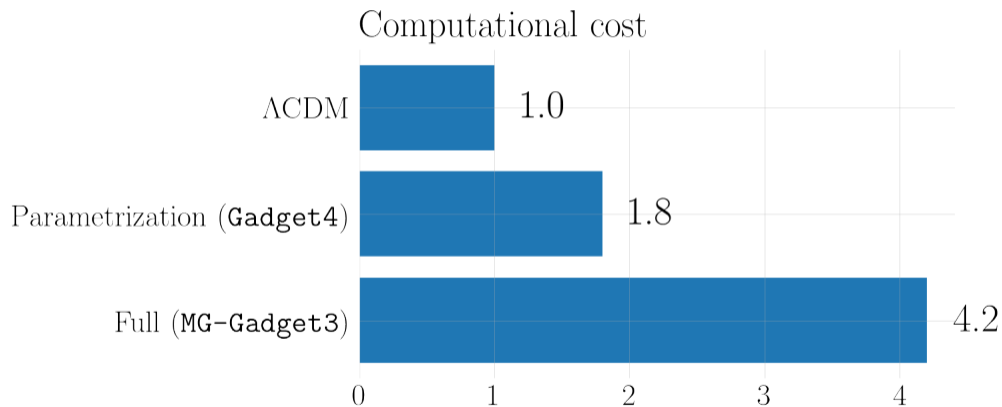
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³H. A. Winther et al, Phys. Rev. D **91**, 123507 (2015).

Chameleon



Why Parametrization Methods?



Conclusions

- N-body simulations captures non-linear structure formation.
- Modified Gravity with N-body simulations might be very expensive..
- .. but alternative approaches are available.

Thank you for your attention!