Redshift-space correlation functions in large galaxy cluster surveys

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ABSTRACT

Context. Large ongoing and upcoming galaxy cluster surveys in the optical, X-ray and millimetric wavelengths will provide rich samples of galaxy clusters at unprecedented depths. One key observable for constraining cosmological models is the correlation function of these objects, measured through their spectroscopic redshift.

Aims. We study the redshift-space correlation functions of clusters of galaxies, averaged over finite redshift intervals, and their covariance matrices. Expanding as usual the angular anisotropy of the redshift-space correlation on Legendre polynomials, we consider the redshift-space distortions of the monopole as well as the next two multipoles, $2\ell = 2$ and 4.

Methods. Taking into account the Kaiser effect, we develop an analytical formalism to obtain explicit expressions of all contributions to these mean correlations and covariance matrices. We include shot-noise and sample-variance effects as well as Gaussian and non-Gaussian contributions.

Results. We obtain a reasonable agreement with numerical simulations for the mean correlations and covariance matrices on large scales ($r > 10 h^{-1}$ Mpc). Redshift-space distortions amplify the monopole correlation by about $10\%$–$20\%$, depending on the halo mass, but the signal-to-noise ratio remains of the same order as for the real-space correlation. This distortion will be significant for surveys such as DES, Erosita, and Euclid, which should also measure the quadrupole $2\ell = 2$. The third multipole, $2\ell = 4$, may only be marginally detected by Euclid.

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1. Introduction

The growth of structure in our Universe results from a competition between gravitational attraction and the mean Hubble expansion. Studying recent structures provides an understanding of both these phenomena along with supplementary insights into the initial conditions that describe primordial density fluctuations, which are assumed to be nearly Gaussian-distributed. Analyses of massive large galaxy surveys (Cole et al. 2005; Moles et al. 2008; Eisenstein et al. 2011; Blake et al. 2011b), galaxy cluster surveys (Böhringer et al. 2001; Burenin et al. 2007; Koester et al. 2007a; Vanderlinde et al. 2010; Mehrtens et al. 2012), weak-lensing studies (e.g. Benjamin et al. 2007; Massey et al. 2007; Kilbinger et al. 2009; Schrabback et al. 2010), and measurements of the baryonic acoustic oscillation peak (Eisenstein et al. 2005; Blake et al. 2011a; Slosar et al. 2011) are currently under way or are planned to probe the physics of large scales in multiple complementary ways.

Clusters of galaxies are defined as galaxy concentrations, but they can also be regarded as a specific class of objects in their own right. In the hierarchical framework of structure formation, they are the largest and last nonlinear objects in a quasi-equilibrium state. Observationally, they are well-defined and are systematically identified as strong X-ray emitters, thanks to their hot gas phase (e.g. Sarazin 1988; Pierre et al. 2011), and/or as isolated (red) galaxy overdensities (Abell 1958; Koester et al. 2007b), and/or via their imprint on the cosmological background radiation (Sunyaev & Zeldovich 1972; Planck Collaboration 2011; Reichardt et al. 2012). Observed clusters are much more rare than individual galaxies (current cluster surveys amount up to a few tens of objects per deg$^2$), but the link to their parent dark matter halo mass is better understood. Most of cluster cosmological studies rely on the abundance of clusters and its evolution (Borgani et al. 2001; Rozo et al. 2010; Mantz et al. 2010; Sehgal et al. 2011; Clerc et al. 2012). However, very large ongoing surveys (e.g. Pierre et al. 2011) or planned surveys (Predehl et al. 2009; Refregier et al. 2011) promise to overcome the statistical limit and better constrain cosmological models by studying the spatial clustering of clusters over large volumes.

This work follows our previous study (Valageas et al. 2011, hereafter Paper I) that analytically quantified covariance matrices for correlation functions in the framework of large galaxy cluster surveys. These calculations are essential to account for uncertainties in clustering analyses. Most generally, these uncertainties combine a shot-noise term (arising from the discreteness of the objects) and a sample variance term (due to the finite volume of the Universe being surveyed), as well as mixed contributions. All are related to the survey design and we applied our formalism to predict signal-to-noise ratios for observable quantities given different survey strategies (Pierre et al. 2011; Valageas et al. 2011). We presented our method in a way as close as possible to observational analyses, e.g. referring to the widely-used Landy-Szalay estimator for the two-point correlation function, integrated within fixed distance bins, averaging over all accessible redshift values, etc. Our results were found to agree well with large N-body simulations. However, only real-space comoving coordinates were considered, i.e., we ignored halo peculiar velocities. Because their radial component impacts object distance
measurements via an additional spectral redshift, these peculiar velocities distort the correlation function estimates.

The goal of the present paper is to estimate the corrections induced by these redshift-space distortions, still considering galaxy clusters only, and to predict if these effects may be observed in present and future cluster surveys. Indeed, redshift-space distortion measurements have attracted growing interest as a cosmological probe. Schematically, this can be understood as follows: because peculiar velocities are linked to the gravitational well created by surrounding matter, bulk flows in the large scale structure are directly linked to the growth rate of structures. More precisely, redshift-space distortions are sensitive to $D_s(a)$, the linear growth factor, as a function of cosmic scale-factor $a$, and to $f = \frac{\text{d} \ln D_s}{\text{d} \ln a}$. In particular, observational results have been obtained by various galaxy spectroscopic surveys such as the 2dFGRS (Peacock et al. 2001), the SDSS (Cabré & Gaztañaga 2009; Reid et al. 2012), 2dF-SDSS LRG and QSO survey (Ross et al. 2007), and the VVDS Guzzo et al. (2008).

In the following, we assume galaxy clusters to have been detected individually in a dedicated survey (e.g. in the X-ray band) and their redshift to have been subsequently determined, e.g. by measurements of their member galaxy spectra and averaging over the corresponding galaxy redshifts. This is the most common – but observationally expensive – method to determine cluster redshifts. In practical applications, only a subsample of all cluster members can be observed due to observational constraints (limiting magnitude, compactness of the cluster in the instrumental focal plane, finite wavelength range of the spectrograph, identification of spectral lines, elimination of foreground and background objects, etc.). This translates into statistical errors on the cluster redshift estimate (e.g. Kagert et al. 1996; Adam & Ulmer 2000). Most generally, spectroscopic redshifts of galaxy clusters are considered to be precise to $\sigma(z) \sim 0.01(1+z)$ or less.

To distinguish measurement errors from intrinsic covariances, we assume cluster redshifts to be known with infinite accuracy and neglect any kind of bias. Adding these sources of noise (which are not correlated with the shot-noise and sample-variance terms that we consider here) is not difficult as one only needs to add the relevant covariance matrices. We do not consider this second step here, which depends on the details of the instrument.

As in Paper I, we considered in our calculations the effects of shot-noise and sample variance. We expanded the angular anisotropy of the redshift-space correlation function on Legendre polynomials. Our formalism then leads to expressions for the monopole and the two multipoles $2\ell = 2$ and $2\ell = 4$. We provide explicit expressions for the expected quantities and their covariance matrices, taking into account the Kaiser effect and Gaussian as well as non-Gaussian contributions. Keeping in mind the application to galaxy cluster surveys, all quantities were integrated within the $0 < z < 1$ redshift range. Halos were defined by their mass $M$ and we describe the population associated with this mass $M$ and we describe the population characterized by their mass, and we did not investigate the redshift-space halo density field

2. Redshift-space halo density field

Before we describe our analysis of the covariance matrices for halo number counts and correlation functions, we present in this section the analytic models that we used for the underlying halo distributions (mass function and bias, etc.) and the numerical simulations that we used to validate our results.

2.1. Analytic models

To be consistent with the numerical simulations, we use the WMAP3 cosmology in Sects. 3 and 4 where we develop our formalism and compare our results with simulations, that is, $\Omega_m = 0.24$, $\Omega_{de} = 0.76$, $\Omega_k = 0.042$, $h = 0.73$, $\sigma_8 = 0.77$, $n_s = 0.958$, and $w_{de} = -1$ (Spergel et al. 2007). In Sect. 5, where we apply our formalism to obtain forecasts for current and future surveys, we use the more recent WMAP7 cosmology (Komatsu et al. 2011), that is, $\Omega_m = 0.274$, $\Omega_{de} = 0.726$, $\Omega_k = 0.046$, $h = 0.702$, $\sigma_8 = 0.816$, $n_s = 0.968$, and $w_{de} = -1$.

Keeping in mind the study of X-ray clusters, we considered the number counts and correlations of dark matter halos defined by the nonlinear density contrast $\delta = 200$. These halos are fully characterized by their mass, and we did not investigate the relationship between this mass and cluster properties such as the gas temperature and X-ray luminosity. These scaling laws can be added to our formalism to derive the cluster number counts and correlations, depending on the quantities that are actually measured, but we kept a more general setting in this paper.

2.1.1. Halo mass function and bias

We use the halo mass function, $dn/d\ln M$, of Tinker et al. (2008), and the halo bias, $b(M)$, of Tinker et al. (2010). Then, write the two-point real-space correlation function between two halos labeled “i” and “j” as

$$\xi_{ij}\left(\ell \right) = b_i b_j \xi\left(\ell \right)$$

(1)

where $\xi$ is the real-space matter density correlation. This corresponds to the halo power spectrum

$$P_{ij}\left(\ell \right) = b_i b_j P\left(\ell \right)$$

(2)

where $P(k)$ is the matter density power spectrum. Here we used the approximation of scale-independent halo bias, which is valid to better than 10% on scales $20 < x < 130 \ h^{-1} \ Mpc$ (Manera & Gaztanaga 2011), with a small feature on the baryon acoustic scale ($x \sim 100 \ h^{-1} \ Mpc$) of amplitude of 5% (Desjacques et al. 2010).
To simplify notations, we define the mean cumulative number density $\bar{\rho}(z)$ of objects observed at a given redshift, within the mass bin $[M_-, M_+]$, as

$$\bar{\rho}(z) = \int_{M_-}^{M_+} \frac{dM}{M} \frac{dn}{d\ln M}(M, z),$$

(3)

and the mean bias $\bar{b}$ as

$$\bar{b} = \frac{\int_{M_-}^{M_+} dM \int_{M_-}^{M_+} \frac{dM}{M} \frac{dn}{d\ln M}(M, z) \bar{b}(M, z)}{\int_{M_-}^{M_+} \frac{dM}{M} \frac{dn}{d\ln M}(M, z)},$$

(4)

In the following we omit to write the explicit boundaries on mass since we only consider a single mass bin. It is straightforward to extend all our results to the case of several mass bins by writing the relevant mass boundaries and replacing factors such as $\bar{b} \bar{\rho}^2$ by $\bar{b}_j \bar{\rho}_j^2$.

### 2.1.2. Redshift-space correlation functions

We denote by $x$ and $s$ the real-space and redshift-space coordinates. They only differ by their radial component because of the peculiar velocity along the line-of-sight,

$$s = x + \frac{e_z \cdot \textbf{v}}{aH} e_z,$$

(5)

Here, $e_z$ is the unit vector along the line of sight and $\textbf{v}$ the peculiar velocity. At linear order, the peculiar velocity field and the density contrast are related in Fourier space as

$$\delta(k) = i a \frac{d\ln D_+}{d\ln a} \frac{k}{k^2} \tilde{\delta}(k),$$

(6)

where $D_+$ is the linear growing mode. From the conservation of matter, $(1 + \delta(x))dx = (1 + \delta)dx$, one obtains the redshift-space matter power spectrum (Kaiser 1987)

$$P^{(s)}(k; z) = (1 + f j^2 \beta) P(k; z), \quad \mu_k = \frac{e_z \cdot k}{k},$$

(7)

where

$$f = \frac{\frac{d\ln D_+}{d\ln a}}{L}$$

(8)

Here and in the following, we use a superscript $(s)$ for redshift-space quantities. Following common practice, we assume that the halo velocity field is not biased. This yields at the same order the redshift-space halo power spectrum

$$P^{(h)}(k; z) = \bar{b} \left(1 + \beta j \right)^2 P(k; z),$$

(9)

with $\beta = f j$, where $\bar{b}$ is the mean bias of the halo population as defined in Eq. (4) (Percival & White 2009). We write the associated redshift-space halo correlation function as

$$\xi^{(h)}(s; z) = \bar{b} \xi^{(s)}(s; z),$$

(10)

where $\xi^{(s)}(s)$ can be expanded as (Hamilton 1992)

$$\xi^{(s)}(s) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \xi^{(s,2\ell)}(s) P_{2\ell}(\mu_s), \quad \mu_s = \frac{e_z \cdot s}{s},$$

(11)

where we introduced the functions

$$\xi^{(s,0)}(s) = \left(1 + \frac{\beta j \beta}{3} \right) \int_0^\infty \frac{dk}{k} \Delta^2(k) j_0(k s),$$

(12)

$$\xi^{(s,2)}(s) = -\left(4 \beta^2 + \frac{\beta^2}{7} \right) \int_0^\infty \frac{dk}{k} \Delta^2(k) j_2(k s),$$

(13)

$$\xi^{(s,4)}(s) = \frac{8 \beta^2}{35} \int_0^\infty \frac{dk}{k} \Delta^4(k) j_4(k s),$$

(14)

where $j_\ell$ are the spherical Bessel functions and we introduced the logarithmic power $\Delta^2(k) = 4\pi k^3 P(k)$.

The function $\xi^{(s)}$ and its multipoles $\xi^{(s,2\ell)}$ depend on the halo population through the factor $\beta$ (i.e., the bias cannot be fully factored out as in the real-space correlation (1)). However, it is convenient to introduce the auxiliary function $\xi^{(s)}$ as in Eq. (10) so that most expressions obtained in the following have the same form as in real space (which is recovered by setting $\beta = 0$, that is, $\xi^{(s)} = \xi$).

Independently of the linear-order approximation (9), only even multipoles can appear in the expansion (11) because of parity symmetry in redshift-space. Nonlinear corrections may add higher-order even multipoles that could be handled by a straightforward generalization of the approach developed in this paper.

The redshift-space distortions (9) and (11) only include the “Kaiser effect” (Kaiser 1987), associated with large-scale flows (i.e., the collapse of overdense regions and the expansion of underdense regions), which amplifies the power because the density and velocity fields are closely related as in Eq. (6). However, on smaller scales within virialized regions, there appears a high velocity dispersion that adds a decorrelated random component to relation (5). This yields the so-called “fingers of God” (Jackson 1972) that can be seen on galaxy surveys and give a damping factor to their redshift-space power spectrum. In this paper we focus on cluster surveys where this effect does not arise (as can be checked in numerical simulations, Nishimichi & Taruya 2011). Indeed, because clusters are the largest nonlinear objects, cluster pairs are still in the process of moving closer (or farther apart in fewer cases) and have not had time to fall within a common potential well and develop a high velocity dispersion through several orbital revolutions. Therefore, we only need to consider the Kaiser effect as in Eqs. (9) and (11). This provides a good agreement with numerical simulations for $s > 20 h^{-1}$ Mpc (within 10%, except for the multipole $2\ell = 4$, which shows stronger deviations from linear theory, Reid & White (2011), but we will see that this multipole is not very important for cluster studies), and for $k < 0.1 h$ Mpc$^{-1}$ in Fourier space (Percival & White 2009; Nishimichi & Taruya 2011).

We assume that these expressions still provide a good approximation up to the weakly nonlinear scales that are relevant for studies of cluster correlations ($\sim 20 h^{-1}$ Mpc). For numerical purposes we use the popular fitting formula to numerical simulations of Smith et al. (2003) for the matter power spectrum.

Nevertheless, the formalism that we develop in the following sections is fully general and does not rely on Eqs. (12)–(14) and the truncation of the series (11) at $2\ell = 4$. It can be applied to any model for the redshift-space correlation $\xi^{(s)}(s)$. If this leads to higher-order multipoles $\xi^{(s,2\ell)}$, one simply needs to extend the sums to all required multipoles in the various expressions given in Appendix A.

### 2.1.3. Three-point and four-point halo correlations

The covariance matrices of estimators of the halo two-point correlation involve the three-point and four-point halo correlations.
Therefore, we need a model for these higher-order correlations. As in Valageas et al. (2011), following Bernstein (1994), Szapudi & Colombi (1996), and Meiksin & White (1999), we use a hierarchical ansatz (Groth & Peebles 1977; Peebles 1980) and we write the real-space halo three-point correlation $\xi^3$ as

$$
\xi_{123}^3 = b_1 b_2 b_3 \frac{S_3}{3} \left[ \xi_{131} \xi_{232} + \xi_{212} \xi_{313} + \xi_{313} \xi_{322} + \xi_{322} \xi_{331} \right],
$$

(15)

where we sum over all three possible configurations over the three halos labeled “1”, “2”, and “3”, and the real-space halo four-point correlation $\eta^4$ as

$$
\eta_{1234}^4 = b_1 b_2 b_3 b_4 \frac{S}{16} \left[ \xi_{131} \xi_{232} + 3 \text{cyc.} + \xi_{212} \xi_{313} + \xi_{313} + 11 \text{cyc.} \right],
$$

(16)

where “3 cyc.” and “11 cyc.” stand for three and eleven terms that are obtained from the previous one by permutations over the labels “1, 2, 3, 4” of the four halos. As in Valageas et al. (2011), we take for the normalization factors $S_1$ and $S_4$ their large-scale limit, which is obtained by perturbation theory (Peebles 1980; Fry 1984; Bernardac et al. 2002b).

$$
S_1 = \frac{34}{3} - (n + 3),
$$

(17)

$$
S_4 = \frac{6071}{1323} - \frac{62}{3} (n + 3) + \frac{7}{3} (n + 3)^2, \quad (18)
$$

Next, for the redshift-space correlations $\xi^3(s)$ and $\eta^4(s)$ we use the same hierarchical ansatz (15)–(16), where in the righthand-side we replace $\xi$ by the redshift-space two-point correlation $\xi^3(s)$ given in Eq. (11). This redshift-space model has not been checked in details against numerical simulations in previous works and we compare our predictions with simulations in Sect. 4 below. We will check that it yields a reasonable agreement for covariance matrices (especially along the diagonal) as for our purposes we only need a simple and efficient approximation. If one aims at predicting the three-point and four-point redshift-space correlations for their own sake, up to a high accuracy, one should perform dedicated tests for these quantities and probably build more sophisticated models, but this is beyond the scope of this paper.

This approximation allows us to extend in a straightforward fashion the formalism developed in Valageas et al. (2011) to redshift-space estimators. The only difference comes from the angular dependence of the two-point correlation (11), that is, from the second and fourth spherical harmonics $\xi^{\ell^2,2}(s)P_2(\mu)$ and $\xi^{\ell^2,4}(s)P_4(\mu)$. In particular, as clearly seen in Eq. (9), by setting $\beta = 0$, which only leaves the monopole contribution $\ell = 0$, we recover the real-space results given in Valageas et al. (2011).

2.2. Numerical simulations

To check our analytical model, we compare our predictions with the numerical simulations that we used in Valageas et al. (2011) for real-space statistics. While we had considered only real-space coordinates in our previous study, we used the peculiar velocity assigned to each halo to conduct our comparison in redshift-space coordinates.

Here we briefly recall the main characteristics of these simulations. We used the high-resolution, all-sky, “horizon” simulation run (Teyssier et al. 2009). It consists of a $(2 h^{-1} \text{Gpc})^3$ N-body simulation carried out with the RAMSES code (Teyssier 2002). The effect of baryons is neglected and the total number of particles in the simulation sets the total mass of the simulation. The mass resolution, which is the mass of each of the 4096$^3$ simulated particles, is $\sim 10^{10} M_\odot$. Halos are found using the HOP algorithm (Eisenstein & Hut 1998). The (real-space) comoving position and peculiar velocity of each halo are obtained by averaging over all particles making up its total mass. Comoving coordinates are further transformed into sky positions (two angles plus redshift) and redshift-space coordinates taking into account their radial velocity. To ensure completeness of the simulation in all directions, we only considered halos at $z < 0.8$.

Simulated surveys are extracted from the full-sky light-cone catalog by defining non-overlapping rectangular regions in angular coordinates. Each field covers an area of 50 deg$^2$. To minimize correlations between neighboring fields, we required a separation of 20 deg between two consecutive surveys, which resulted in a total of 34 such independent fields distributed all across the sky. Only for the results discussed in Sect. 4.3 we also used a 10 deg gap (resulting in 138 fields). For the purpose of deriving the correlation function, auxiliary random fields were created by shuffling the angular coordinates of halos in the original data fields. This operation preserves the original redshift and mass distribution of the simulation. The density of objects in the random fields was increased to one hundred times that of original data fields to avoid introducing spurious noise. The Landy-Szalay estimator and its generalization (see Sect. 3.1, Eq. (20)) provide an estimate of the two-point correlation and its multi-poles in redshift space. As in Valageas et al. (2011), the mean and covariance of all derived quantities were finally estimated by sample averaging over the extracted fields.

3. Mean redshift-space two-point correlation functions

Since we have in mind the application to cluster surveys and, more generally, to deep surveys of rare objects, we considered 3D correlation functions averaged over a wide redshift bin (to accumulate a large enough number of objects), rather than the usual local 3D correlation functions at a given redshift. This means that the quantities that we considered, while being truly 3D correlations and not 2D angular correlations, nevertheless involve integrations along the line of sight within a finite redshift interval. We followed the formalism and the notations of Valageas et al. (2011) to derive the means and the covariance matrices of estimators of these integrated redshift-space correlations.

3.1. Analytical results

We focus on the Landy & Szalay estimator of the two-point correlation Landy & Szalay (1993), given by

$$
\xi = \frac{DD - 2DR + RR}{RR}, \quad (19)
$$

where $D$ represents the data field and $R$ an independent Poisson distribution, both with the same mean density. In practice, before
appropriate rescaling, the mean number density of the Poisson process \( R \) is actually taken to be much higher than the observed one, so that the contribution from fluctuations of the denominator \( RR \) to the noise of \( \tilde{\xi} \) can be ignored. The advantage of Eq. (19) is that it one automatically includes the geometry of the survey (including boundary effects, cuts, etc.), because the auxiliary field \( R \) is drawn on the same geometry. In practice, our generalization of the estimator \( \tilde{\xi}_{R,2\ell}^{(s)} \) to redshift-space multipoles writes as
\[
\tilde{\xi}_{R,2\ell}^{(s)} = \frac{4\ell + 1}{\Sigma_{\ell+1}} \left[ \sum_{dd} P_{2\ell}(\mu_{dd}) - 2 \sum_{dr} P_{2\ell}(\mu_{dr}) + \sum_{rr} P_{2\ell}(\mu_{rr}) \right],
\]
where each sum counts all the pairs, \( dd, dr, \) or \( rr \), within the samples \( D \) and \( R \), that are separated by a redshift-space distance \( s \) within the bin \( R_{s-} < s < R_{s+} \). Compared with the usual multipole estimator \( \tilde{\xi}_{R,2\ell} \) (19), we have used the geometrical number density \( (4\ell + 1)P_{2\ell}(\mu) \) to each pair in the numerator while in the denominator we kept the unit weight. Of course, for \( \ell = 0 \) we recover Eq. (19).

Within our framework, we write this estimator \( \tilde{\xi}_{R,2\ell}^{(s)} \), for the multipole \( 2\ell \) of the mean correlation on scales delimited by \( R_{s-} \) and \( R_{s+} \), integrated over some redshift range and mass interval, as
\[
\tilde{\xi}_{R,2\ell}^{(s)} = \frac{1}{Q_i} \int dz\frac{dv}{dz} d\Omega \int \frac{dM}{M} \int d\ln M \int dz' (4\ell + 1)P_{2\ell}(\mu') \times \frac{2}{\Omega_i} \int dz'\frac{dv}{dz} d\Omega < \int dz' \frac{d\Omega}{(4\ell + 1)P_{2\ell}(\mu')} > \int dz' \frac{d\Omega}{(4\ell + 1)P_{2\ell}(\mu')} + \delta_{\ell,0},
\]
with
\[
Q_i = \int dz\frac{dv}{dz} d\Omega \int \frac{dM}{M} \int d\ln M \int dz' \frac{dM}{M'},
\]
(21)

We here denoted \( dz' \) as the integral \( \int_{R_{s-}}^{R_{s+}} dz' \) over the 3D spherical shell \( i \), of inner and outer radii \( R_{s-} \) and \( R_{s+} \), in redshift-space, \( \mu' = (e', s')/s' \) is the cosine of the angle between the line of sight and the halo pair, \( \chi(z) \) and \( \Omega(z) \) are the comoving radial and angular distances, \( \delta_{\ell,0} \) is the Kronecker symbol (which is unity if \( \ell \neq 0 \) and zero otherwise), and \( d\Omega/d\ln M \) is the observed density of objects. Here and in the following, we note observed quantities with a hat (i.e., in one realization of the sky) to distinguish them from mean quantities, such as the mean comoving number density \( dn/d\ln M \). The two subscripts \( R_i \) and \( 2\ell_i \) label the radial bin and the multipole. If we consider \( N_i \) radial bins and \( N_i \) multipoles, there are \( N_i \times N_i \) values of the index \( i \) (i.e., different indices \( i \) and \( j \) may correspond to different radial bins and multipoles, or to the same radial bin but with different multipoles, and vice versa).

In Eqs. (21) and (22) we considered a survey with a single window of angular area \( (\Delta\Omega) \) and a single mass bin. It is straightforward to generalize to several distant (uncorrelated) angular windows and to several mass bins. The redshift interval \( \Delta z \) is not necessarily small, and to increase the statistics we can choose the whole redshift range of the survey. It is again straightforward to generalize to several nonoverlapping redshift intervals, if they are large enough to neglect cross-correlations between different bins \( (\Delta z \gtrsim 0.1, \text{see Fig. 11 in Valageas et al. 2011}) \).

As in Eq. (20), the counting method that underlies the first term in Eq. (21) can be understood as follows. We span all objects in the “volume” \((z, \Omega, \ln M)\), and count all neighbors at distance \( s' \), within the shell \([R_{s-}, R_{s+}]\) with a mass \( M' \). We denote with unprimed letters the quantities associated with the first object, \((z, \Omega, \ln M)\), and with primed letters the quantities associated with the neighbor of mass \( M' \) at distance \( s' \). Thus, with obvious notations, \( d\Omega/d\ln M \) and \( d\Omega/d\ln M' \) are the observed number densities at the first and second (neighboring) points. In contrast, the denominator \( Q_i \) involves the mean number densities \( dn/d\ln M \) and \( dn/d\ln M' \). Therefore, \( Q_i \) is not a random quantity and accordingly it shows no noise. Similarly, the difference between the terms associated with \( DD \) and \( DR \) is that in the former we have a product of two observed number densities, \( d\Omega/d\ln M \times d\Omega/d\ln M' \), while in the latter we have a crossproduct between the observed and the mean number densities, \( (d\Omega/d\ln M) \times (dn/d\ln M') \).

Then, if \( \ell \neq 0 \) the second and third terms in Eq. (21) vanish. This also means that for \( \ell \neq 0 \) the Landy & Szalay estimator \( \tilde{\xi} \) (20) and the Peebles & Hauser estimator (Peebles & Hauser 1974), which would read as \( \tilde{\xi} = DD/RR - 3d\Omega/d\ln M \) (with the implicit factor \( (4\ell + 1)P_{2\ell}(\mu') \) in \( DD \)), are equivalent (in the limit where the density of the auxiliary random sample \( R \) goes to infinity).

The angular factor \( (4\ell + 1)P_{2\ell}(\mu') \) ensures that the estimator \( (21) \) extracts the multipole \( 2\ell \) of the redshift-space correlation, as in (11). In our previous analysis of the real-space correlation (Valageas et al. 2011) we only needed to consider the monopole term, \( \ell = 0 \), because higher multipoles vanished. Here, because the redshift-space correlation is anisotropic, higher multipoles are nonzero and contain valuable information. As seen in Eqs. (12)–(14), they constrain the parameter \( \beta = f/H_0 \), and in turn the growth rate of the density fluctuations and the bias of the halos.

The quantity \( Q_i \) also writes as
\[
Q_i = \int dz\frac{dv}{dz} d\Omega < \int dz' \frac{d\Omega}{(4\ell + 1)P_{2\ell}(\mu')} > \int dz' \frac{d\Omega}{(4\ell + 1)P_{2\ell}(\mu')} + \delta_{\ell,0},
\]
where the volume \( \Omega_i \) of the i-shell is
\[
\Omega_i(z) = \frac{4\pi}{3} \left[ R_{s+}(z)^3 - R_{s-}(z)^3 \right],
\]
which may depend on \( z \). In practice, one would usually choose constant comoving shells, so that \( \Omega_i \) does not depend on \( z \). To obtain Eq. (23) we used that \( dn/d\ln M \) and \( dn/d\ln M' \) have no scale dependence (because they correspond to a uniform distribution of objects) and we neglected edge effects. These finite-size effects are discussed and evaluated in Appendix B of Valageas et al. 2011). Next, the mean of the estimator \( \tilde{\xi}_{R,2\ell}^{(s)} \) reads as
\[
\langle \tilde{\xi}_{R,2\ell}^{(s)} \rangle = \frac{1}{Q_i} \int dz\frac{dv}{dz} d\Omega \int dz' \frac{d\Omega}{(4\ell + 1)P_{2\ell}(\mu')} \bar{\xi}_{R,2\ell}^{(s)}(z),
\]
(25)
with
\[
\bar{\xi}_{R,2\ell}^{(s)}(z) = \frac{\int dz' \frac{d\Omega}{\Omega_i} (4\ell + 1)P_{2\ell}(\mu') \bar{\xi}_R^{(s)}(s', z)}{\int dz' \frac{d\Omega}{\Omega_i} (4\ell + 1)P_{2\ell}(\mu')}.
\]
(26)
which is the radial average of the $2\ell_i$-multipole of $\xi^{(i)}$, over the 3D spherical shell associated with the radial bin $i$ in redshift space. Indeed, from the multipole expansion (11) this also reads as

$$\xi^{(i)}_{R_{\ell},2\ell_i} = \int_{R_{\ell_i}^-}^{R_{\ell_i}^+} \frac{dr}{R_{\ell_i}^+ - R_{\ell_i}^-} \xi^{(i)}_{s,2\ell_i}(r).$$

### 3.2 Comparison with simulations

We show in Fig. 1 the mean redshift-space and real-space halo correlations, $\langle \xi^{(i)}_{s,0} \rangle$ and $\langle \xi^{(i)}_{R_{\ell}} \rangle$, over ten distance bins. We find that because of the prefactor $(1 + 2\beta^2/3 + \beta^2)5$ in Eq. (12) the monopole redshift-space correlation is greater than the real-space correlation by 10% for massive halos, $M > 10^{14} h^{-1} M_\odot$, and by 18% for $M > 2 \times 10^{13} h^{-1} M_\odot$ in the redshift range $0 < z < 0.8$. The relative redshift-space distortion is weaker for more massive halos because they have a larger bias $b$. This decreases the factor $\beta = f/b$.

Although the results from numerical simulations are somewhat noisy, they agree reasonably well with our analytical predictions. They give the same order of magnitude as our predictions for both the redshift-space and real-space correlations. In particular, they fall within the expected $3 - \sigma$ error-bars from our analytical predictions (these error bars are obtained from the analytical covariance matrices derived in Sect. 4 below). This also shows that the accurate computation of such quantities remains a difficult task for numerical simulations (in this case it would require many realizations of the simulated sky resulting in a heavy computational load) and it is useful to have analytical models for cross-checking. In particular, while the ratio $\langle \xi^{(i)}_{s,0} \rangle/\langle \xi^{(i)}_{R_{\ell}} \rangle$ is greater than unity and smooth within the analytical model (it is actually scale-independent in our simple model (12)), it shows spurious fluctuations in the simulation data for rare massive halos because of low statistics.

For practical purposes, Fig. 1 shows that to constrain cosmology with the clustering of X-ray clusters it is necessary to take into account redshift-space distortions if one aims at an accuracy better than 10%.

We show in Fig. 2 our results for the “$2\ell = 2$” redshift-space correlation $\xi^{(i)}_{R_{\ell},2\ell}$. This corresponds to the second term of the expansion (11) over Legendre polynomials. As seen from Eq. (13), this term is negative and its amplitude is larger for more massive halos because of the factor $b^{-4} (4\beta^2/3 + 4\beta^2)7 = 4f^2/3 + 4f^2/7$, which grows with the halo bias. However, because the error bars are much larger for rare massive halos, the associated signal is more difficult to measure. We obtain a good agreement with the simulations on large scales but on small scales below $10 h^{-1}$ Mpc our model seems to underestimate the amplitude of this quadrupole component of the redshift-space correlation. This may be partly due to higher-order contributions to Eq. (7) that modify the relationship between real-space and redshift-space power spectra. For instance, without perturbation theory next-to-leading terms at order $P_i^2$ arise and have been found to increase the amplitude of the redshift-space power and to improve the agreement with simulations (Taruya et al. 2010; Nishimichi & Taruya 2011). However, we do not investigate such modifications in this paper.

We do not plot the last “$2\ell = 4$” term, $\xi^{(i)}_{R_{\ell,4}}$, because our analytical computations show that it is very small (smaller than 0.1 on the scales shown in Figs. 1 and 2) and within the error bars. However, we have checked that our model agrees with the simulations for $r > 10 h^{-1}$ Mpc (on smaller scales our model again seems to underestimate this correlation).
4. Covariance matrices

4.1. Explicit expressions

We now consider the covariance matrices $C_{i,j}^{(s)}$ of the estimators $\hat{z}_{R,2\ell_i}^{(s)}$, defined by

$$C_{i,j}^{(s)} = \left\langle \hat{z}_{R,2\ell_i}^{(s)} \hat{z}_{R,2\ell_j}^{(s)} \right\rangle - \left\langle \hat{z}_{R,2\ell_i}^{(s)} \right\rangle \left\langle \hat{z}_{R,2\ell_j}^{(s)} \right\rangle.$$  

(28)

To simplify notations, we do not write the labels $R_i$ and $2\ell_i$ in the covariance matrices and the subscript $i$ again refers to both the radial bin, $[R_i, R_{i+1}]$, and the multipole, $2\ell_i$.

The results of Valageas et al. (2011) directly extend to redshift space and we obtain the expression

$$C_{i,j}^{(s)} = C_{i,j}^{(s)(2)} + C_{i,j}^{(s)(3)} + C_{i,j}^{(s)(4)},$$

(29)

with (see also Landy & Szalay 1993; Szapudi 2001; Bernardardeau et al. 2002a)

$$C_{i,j}^{(s)(2)} = \frac{2(4\ell_i+1)(4\ell_j+1)}{(\Delta \ell_i \Omega_i^Q)^2} \int \frac{d\ell_i}{2\pi} \frac{d\Omega_i}{(\Delta \ell_i \Omega_i^Q)} Z_i \frac{dM_i}{M_i} \times \frac{dM_j}{M_j} P_{2\ell_i}(\mu_i) P_{2\ell_j}(\mu_j) \left[ 1 + \xi_{i,j}^{(s)} \right].$$

(30)

$$C_{i,j}^{(s)(3)} = \frac{2(4\ell_i+1)(4\ell_j+1)}{(\Delta \ell_i \Omega_i^Q)^2} \int \frac{d\ell_i}{2\pi} \frac{d\Omega_i}{(\Delta \ell_i \Omega_i^Q)} Z_i \frac{dM_i}{M_i} \times \frac{dM_j}{M_j} P_{2\ell_i}(\mu_i) P_{2\ell_j}(\mu_j) \left[ \xi_{i,j}^{(s)} + \xi_{i,j}^{(s)} \right].$$

(31)

$$C_{i,j}^{(s)(4)} = \frac{2(4\ell_i+1)(4\ell_j+1)}{(\Delta \ell_i \Omega_i^Q)^2} \int \frac{d\ell_i}{2\pi} \frac{d\Omega_i}{(\Delta \ell_i \Omega_i^Q)} Z_i \frac{dM_i}{M_i} \times \frac{dM_j}{M_j} P_{2\ell_i}(\mu_i) P_{2\ell_j}(\mu_j) \left[ 2 \xi_{i,j}^{(s)} \right].$$

(32)

Here we used the same notation as in Valageas et al. (2011) that we recalled below Eq. (22). Thus, labels $i$ and $j$ refer to objects that are at the center of the $V_i$ and $V_j$ shells, whereas labels $i'$ and $j'$ refer to objects that are within the $V_i'$ and $V_j'$ shells. The pairs $(i, j)$ and $(i', j')$ are located at unrelated positions in the observational cone, which we integrate over.

In Eq. (30) we note $\delta_{R,R}$ the Kronecker symbol with respect to the radial bins. Thus, $\delta_{R,R}$ is unity if $[R_i, R_{i+1}] \equiv [R_{i'}, R_{i'+1}]$ and zero otherwise (we consider non-overlapping radial bins), independently of the multipoles $\ell_i$ and $\ell_j$ (which may be equal or different). This shot-noise contribution arises from cases where the pairs $(i, j)$ and $(i', j')$ are the same (i.e., they involve the same two halos), which implies the same pair length.

The label $C_{i,j}^{(s)}$ refers to quantities that involve $n$ distinct objects. Thus, the contributions $C^{(2)}$ and $C^{(3)}$ arise from shot-noise effects (as is apparent through the prefactors $1/(\Delta \Omega_i)$), associated with the discreteness of the number density distribution, and they would vanish for continuous distributions. However, they also involve the two-point and three-point correlations, and as such they couple discreteness effects with the underlying large-scale correlations of the population. In case of zero large-scale correlations, $C^{(2)}$ remains nonzero because of the unit factor in the brackets and becomes a purely shot-noise contribution, arising solely from discreteness effects. The contribution $C^{(4)}$ is a pure sample-variance contribution and does not depend on the discreteness of the number density distribution (hence there is no $1/(\Delta \Omega_i)$ prefactor).

We can reorganize these various terms into three contributions,

$$C_{i,j}^{(s)} = C_{i,j}^{(s)(2)} + C_{i,j}^{(s)(3)} + C_{i,j}^{(s)(4)},$$

(33)

where $C_{i,j}^{(s)(2)}$ gathers all terms that only depend on the two-point correlation, $C_{i,j}^{(s)(3)}$ arises from the three-point correlation (i.e., the last term in Eq. (31)), and $C_{i,j}^{(s)(4)}$ arises from the four-point correlation (i.e., the last term in Eq. (32)). We obtain for the Gaussian contribution

$$C_{i,j}^{(s)(2)} = \frac{2}{\Delta \Omega_i \Omega_i^Q} \int d\ell_i \frac{2(4\ell_i+1)(4\ell_j+1)}{(\Delta \ell_i \Omega_i^Q)^2} Z_i \frac{dM_i}{M_i} \times \frac{dM_j}{M_j} P_{2\ell_i}(\mu_i) P_{2\ell_j}(\mu_j) \left[ 1 + \xi_{i,j}^{(s)} \right].$$

(34)

with

$$\bar{\xi}_{i,j}^{(s)(2)}(z) = \int \frac{d\ell_i}{2\pi} \frac{d\Omega_i}{(\Delta \ell_i \Omega_i^Q)} Z_i \frac{dM_i}{M_i} \times \frac{dM_j}{M_j} P_{2\ell_i}(\mu_i) P_{2\ell_j}(\mu_j) \left[ 1 + \xi_{i,j}^{(s)} \right].$$

(35)

$$\bar{\xi}_{i,j}^{(s)(3)}(z) = \int \frac{d\ell_i}{2\pi} \frac{d\Omega_i}{(\Delta \ell_i \Omega_i^Q)} Z_i \frac{dM_i}{M_i} \times \frac{dM_j}{M_j} P_{2\ell_i}(\mu_i) P_{2\ell_j}(\mu_j) \left[ \xi_{i,j}^{(s)} + \xi_{i,j}^{(s)} \right].$$

(36)

$$\bar{\xi}_{i,j}^{(s)(4)}(z) = \int \frac{d\ell_i}{2\pi} \frac{d\Omega_i}{(\Delta \ell_i \Omega_i^Q)} Z_i \frac{dM_i}{M_i} \times \frac{dM_j}{M_j} P_{2\ell_i}(\mu_i) P_{2\ell_j}(\mu_j) \left[ 2 \xi_{i,j}^{(s)} \right].$$

(37)

which involves the square of the Wigner 3-j symbol.

Using the hierarchical ansatz described in Sect. 2.1.3, the contribution $C_{i,j}^{(s)(3)}$ associated with the three-point correlation writes as

$$C_{i,j}^{(s)(3)} = \frac{4}{(\Delta \ell_i \Omega_i^Q)^2} \int d\ell_i \frac{2(4\ell_i+1)(4\ell_j+1)}{(\Delta \ell_i \Omega_i^Q)^2} Z_i \frac{dM_i}{M_i} \times \frac{dM_j}{M_j} P_{2\ell_i}(\mu_i) P_{2\ell_j}(\mu_j) \left[ \xi_{i,j}^{(s)} + \xi_{i,j}^{(s)} \right].$$

(38)

while the contribution $C_{i,j}^{(s)(4)}$ associated with the four-point correlation writes as

$$C_{i,j}^{(s)(4)} = \frac{2}{\Delta \Omega_i \Omega_i^Q} \int d\ell_i \frac{2(4\ell_i+1)(4\ell_j+1)}{(\Delta \ell_i \Omega_i^Q)^2} Z_i \frac{dM_i}{M_i} \times \frac{dM_j}{M_j} P_{2\ell_i}(\mu_i) P_{2\ell_j}(\mu_j) \left[ 2 \xi_{i,j}^{(s)} \right].$$

(39)
Here the quantities that are overlined are various geometrical averages of the redshift-space two-point correlation functions. For instance, the geometrical average introduced in the first integral in Eq. (34) writes as

$$
\xi^{(s)}_{i,j}(z) = (4\ell_i+1)(4\ell_j+1) \int \frac{dV}{V_i} P_{2\ell_i}(\mu_j) \int \frac{dV}{V_j} P_{2\ell_j}(\mu_i) \times \xi^{(s)}(s_i - s_j'; z).
$$

(40)

We give the explicit expressions of these various terms in Appendix A, and we describe how angular integrations can be performed using the spherical harmonic decomposition (11), as well as the flat-sky and Limber’s approximations. All terms involve the redshift-space correlation \(\xi^{(s)}\), except for \(\xi^{(f)}\), which only depends on the power along the transverse directions (and is not affected by redshift-space distortions).

### 4.2. Covariance matrix of the monopole redshift-space correlation

In this section we study the covariance matrix \(C_{i,j}^{(s)}\) of the monopole redshift-space correlation, \(\xi^{(s)}_{i,j}\), that is, \(\ell_i = \ell_j = 0\).

#### 4.2.1. Comparison between redshift-space and real-space covariance matrices

We show in Figs. 3 and 4 the redshift-space and real-space covariance matrices \(C_{i,j}^{(s)}\) and \(C_{i,j}\), for halos in the redshift range \(0 < z < 0.8\). The redshift-space covariance matrix is greater than the real-space covariance matrix by about 11% along the diagonal, \(i = j\), for \(M > 10^{14} h^{-1} M_\odot\). For \(M > 2 \times 10^{13} h^{-1} M_\odot\), these amplification factors are higher. %33% along the diagonal and 40% for off-diagonal entries. This could be expected from the higher value of the redshift-space correlation function noticed in Fig. 1. This is due to the amplification of the redshift-space power spectrum through the Kaiser effect, as shown by Eq. (9). Again, the relative effect is weaker for rare massive halos because of their larger bias \(b\), which decreases the associated factor \(\beta = f/b\). The amplification of the covariance matrix is lower along the diagonal, where the covariance matrix includes a pure shot-noise term (first term in Eq. (34)) that is independent of \(\xi^{(s)}\) and is not amplified by the Kaiser effect.

We obtain a reasonably good agreement with the numerical simulations for both redshift-space and real-space covariance matrices, for diagonal and off-diagonal entries. The simulation data are somewhat noisier for off diagonal entries and show spurious oscillations in Fig. 4 that are not physical but due to low statistics, especially for rare massive halos. This shows that analytic models are competitive tools to estimate these covariance matrices. In particular, for data analysis purposes it can be helpful to have smooth covariance matrices, which make matrix inversion more reliable.

In any case, redshift-space distortions only have a moderate impact on the covariance matrices and do not change their magnitude. This means that most of the real-space results obtained in Valageas et al. (2011) remain valid.

We show in Fig. 5 an estimate of the signal-to-noise ratio of the redshift-space and real-space two-point correlations, defined as \(\xi^{(s)}_{R,0}\) or \(\sqrt{C_{i,j}}\). A more precise analysis would require using the full covariance matrix, but this ratio should allow us to check whether redshift distortions, which amplify both the mean correlation and its covariance matrix, degrade the signal-to-noise ratio. Clearly, Fig. 5 shows that the signal-to-noise ratio is not strongly affected by the Kaiser effect. Indeed, the amplification of \(\xi^{(s)}_{R,0}\) overweights the amplification of \(C_{i,j}^{(s)}\) and the signal-to-noise ratio slightly increases. This can be understood because the contributions to \(C_{i,j}^{(s)}\) that are cubic over \(\xi^{(s)}\) (or of higher order), which in our framework only come from the four-point correlation contribution (39) to the pure sample-variance term, are less important than the mixed shot-noise and sample-variance contributions that are constant or linear over \(\xi^{(s)}\).

The results found in Fig. 5 mean that redshift distortions do not prevent measuring the clustering of X-ray clusters and its use to constrain cosmology, since the signal-to-noise ratio remains as high and even slightly higher.
We show in Figs. 6 and 7 the ratios \( \xi_{ij}(s)/\xi_{ij}(0) \) and \( \xi_{ij}(r)/\xi_{ij}(0) \) and \( \xi_{ij}(\ell)/\xi_{ij}(0) \). We show the results obtained for halos in the redshift range \( 0 < z < 0.8 \) with an angular window of 50 deg\(^2\).

### 4.2.3. Correlation matrices

We show in Fig. 8 the redshift-space correlation matrices defined as

\[
\mathcal{R}_{ij}^{(s)} = \frac{C_{ij}^{(s)}}{\sqrt{C_{ij}^{(s)}C_{jj}^{(s)}}}
\]

We plot the correlation matrices associated with the Gaussian part (34) and with the full matrix (33). In agreement with Fig. 7, we can see that the non-Gaussian contributions, associated with the 3-pt and 4-pt correlations, make the correlation matrix less diagonal, especially for low-mass halos. As explained above, this is because rare massive halos show stronger pure shot-noise effects that give an additional weight to the diagonal entries. In any case, we can see that it is important to take into account non-Gaussian contributions to obtain accurate estimates. Moreover, off-diagonal terms cannot be neglected (especially for low-mass halos), hence it is necessary to use the full covariance matrix \( C_{ij}^{(s)} \) to draw constraints on cosmology from the analysis of X-ray cluster surveys.

### 4.3. Covariance matrix of the “2 \( \ell = 2 \)” redshift-space correlation

We now study the covariance matrix \( C_{ij}^{(s)} \) of the “2 \( \ell = 2 \)” redshift-space correlation, \( \mathcal{R}_{ij}^{(s)} \), that is, \( 2\ell_1 = 2\ell_2 = 2 \).
We compare in Figs. 9 and 10 our analytical model with numerical simulations for the covariance matrix along the diagonal and along one row. We considered two analyses of the numerical simulations, where we used either 138 nonoverlapping fields separated by a 10 degree gap (squares) or 34 fields separated by a 20 degree gap (crosses). This gives a measure of the statistical error of the simulation data, apart from the systematic finite-resolution effects. Along the diagonal (Fig. 9) our predictions show reasonable agreement with the simulations, which appear reliable with low noise. Along one row (Fig. 10) the simulations give higher off-diagonal entries than our model, but they also show a significant statistical noise. In view of these uncertainties we obtain a reasonable agreement on scales above 10 h^{-1} Mpc. On smaller scales, our model may underestimate the off-diagonal covariance because of nonlinear effects, as suggested by the comparison for the mean correlation itself shown in Fig. 2. Therefore, on scales above 10 h^{-1} Mpc analytical models such as the one presented in this paper can provide a competitive alternative to numerical simulations to estimate quantities such as covariance matrices that are difficult to obtain from numerical simulations (as they require large box sizes with a good resolution and time-consuming data analysis procedures).

We show in Figs. 11 and 12 the relative contribution to the covariance matrix of the terms associated with the 3-pt and 4-pt correlation functions. The comparison with Figs. 6 and 7 shows that these non-Gaussian contributions are relatively less important along the diagonal but more important on off-diagonal entries than for the monopole “2ℓ = 0” case. Thus, they make up to 40–60% of the full covariance matrix over a large range of scales.

For completeness we show in Appendix C the correlation matrices of this “2ℓ = 2” redshift-space correlation, as well as the cross-correlation between the “2ℓ = 0” and “2ℓ = 2” components. We find that the “2ℓ = 2” covariance matrix is significantly more diagonal than the “2ℓ = 0” covariance matrix and that the cross-correlation matrix between both components is quite small (~0.05). This means that the full covariance matrix in the [R, ℓ] space is approximately block-diagonal (we may neglect entries with ℓ_i ≠ ℓ_j). Then, we can decouple the analysis of ξ^{(s)}_{R,0} and ξ^{(s)}_{R,2}.

5. Applications to real survey cases

As in Valageas et al. (2011), we now study the correlation functions that can be measured in several cluster surveys. We considered three surveys on limited angular windows:

- The XXL survey (Pierre et al. 2011) is an XMM Very Large Programme specifically designed to constrain the equation of state of the dark energy by using clusters of galaxies. It consists of two 25 deg^2 areas and probes massive clusters out to
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Fig. 9. Covariance matrix \( C_{ij}^{(s)} \) along the diagonal, \( i = j \), for the \( "2\ell = 2" \) multipole of the redshift-space correlation. We show the results obtained for halos in the redshift range \( 0 < z < 0.8 \) with an angular window of 50 deg\(^2\). Points from numerical simulations are obtained from 138 fields separated by a 10 degree gap (squares) or from 34 fields separated by 20 degree gap (crosses).

Fig. 10. Covariance matrix \( C_{ij}^{(s)} \) as a function of \( j \), for \( i = 4 \) associated with the distance bin \( 12.3 < r < 16.6 \ h^{-1}\) Mpc, for the \( "2\ell = 2" \) multipole of the redshift-space correlation. We show the results obtained for halos in the redshift range \( 0 < z < 0.8 \) with an angular window of 50 deg\(^2\).

Fig. 11. Relative importance of the non-Gaussian contributions \( C_{ij}^{(\zeta \zeta)} \) (solid line) and \( C_{ij}^{(\eta \eta)} \) (dashed line) to the redshift-space covariance matrix \( C_{ij}^{(s)} \), along the diagonal, \( i = j \). We show the results obtained for halos in the redshift range \( 0 < z < 0.8 \) with an angular window of 50 deg\(^2\). (The contribution \( C_{ij}^{(\eta \eta)} \) for \( M > 10^{14} \ h^{-1} M_\odot \) does not appear because it is less than \( 10^{-2} \).)

Fig. 12. Relative importance of the non-Gaussian contributions \( C_{ij}^{(\zeta \zeta)} \) (solid line) and \( C_{ij}^{(\eta \eta)} \) (dashed line) to the redshift-space covariance matrix \( C_{ij}^{(s)} \), along one row (\( i = 4 \)), associated with the distance bin \( 12.3 < r < 16.6 \ h^{-1}\) Mpc. We show the results obtained for halos in the redshift range \( 0 < z < 0.8 \) with an angular window of 50 deg\(^2\).
Fig. 13. Mean monopole redshift-space (solid lines) and real-space (dashed lines) correlations, $\langle \hat{\xi}_{R,i} \rangle_0$ and $\langle \hat{\xi}_i \rangle$, over ten comoving distance bins within $5 < r < 100 \ h^{-1} \text{Mpc}$, equally spaced in log ($r$). We integrated over halos within the redshift interval $0 < z < 1$, for the XXL, DES, and SPT surveys. For DES we considered the mass thresholds $M > 5 \times 10^{13} \ h^{-1} \ M_\odot$ and $M > 5 \times 10^{14} \ h^{-1} \ M_\odot$ (smaller error bars), and for SPT the mass threshold $M > 5 \times 10^{14} \ h^{-1} \ M_\odot$ (larger error bars shifted to the right). The error bars show the diagonal part of the redshift-space covariance $\sigma_{i,i} = \sqrt{C_{i,i}}$.

Fig. 14. Mean monopole correlations, $\langle \hat{\xi}_{R,0} \rangle$ (solid lines) and $\langle \hat{\xi}_R \rangle$ (dashed lines), as in Fig. 13 but for all-sky surveys. From top to bottom, we show a) halos above $5 \times 10^{14} \ h^{-1} \ M_\odot$ in either Erosita or Euclid, b) halos detected by Planck, c) halos above $5 \times 10^{13} \ h^{-1} \ M_\odot$ in Euclid, and d) halos detected by Erosita.

Fig. 15. Ratio $((\langle \hat{\xi}_{R,0} \rangle - \langle \hat{\xi}_R \rangle) / \sigma_{i,i})$, for the surveys shown in Fig. 13.

Fig. 16. Ratio $((\langle \hat{\xi}_{R,0} \rangle - \langle \hat{\xi}_R \rangle) / \sigma_{i,i})$, for the surveys shown in Fig. 14.

In the following, the error bars shown in the figures are the statistical error bars associated with the covariance matrices studied in Sect. 4 (i.e., we did not include other sources of uncertainties such as observational noise). For the full-sky surveys this “sample-variance” noise does not vanish because even full-sky surveys up to a given redshift only cover a finite volume. In this limit the “sample variance” is usually called the “cosmic variance”.

5.1. Monopole redshift-space correlation

We show the redshift-space and real-space correlations $\langle \hat{\xi}_{R,0} \rangle$ and $\langle \hat{\xi}_R \rangle$ that can be measured with these surveys in the redshift range $0 < z < 1$ in Figs. 13 and 14. In each case, the redshift-space correlation is slightly higher than the real-space correlation. The error bars $\sigma_{i,i}$ correspond to the diagonal entries of the redshift-space covariance matrix.

Redshift-space distortions can be seen in these figures, but in several cases they are smaller than the error bars. To see the impact of these redshift-space distortions more clearly, we show the ratio $((\langle \hat{\xi}_{R,0} \rangle - \langle \hat{\xi}_R \rangle) / \sigma_{i,i})$ in Figs. 15 and 16. This gives the difference between the monopole redshift-space and real-space correlations in units of the standard deviation $\sigma_{i,i}$, that is, of the error bar of the measure.

function by Melin et al. (2006), shown in Fig. J.1 of Valageas et al. (2011).

– For Erosita, a simple flux limit is currently assumed as an average over the whole sky: $4 \times 10^{-14} \text{erg s}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2}$ in the [0.5–2] keV band (Predehl et al. 2009). The associated selection function is shown in Fig. J.1 of Valageas et al. (2011). This would yield 71 907 clusters out to $z = 1$.

– For Euclid, we followed the prescription of the Euclid science book for the cluster optical selection function and adopted a fixed mass threshold of $5 \times 10^{13} \ h^{-1} \ M_\odot$ (Refregier et al. 2011).
we considered ten comoving distance bins within $5 < r < 100 \, h^{-1} \text{Mpc}$, equally spaced in log ($r$), and integrated over halos within the redshift interval $0 < z < 1$. We show our results for halos above $M > 5 \times 10^{13} \, h^{-1} \, M_\odot$ for DES. The error bars show the diagonal part of the redshift-space covariance $\sigma_{\ell_0} = \sqrt{C_{\ell_0}}$.

Among limited-area surveys, the amplification of the cluster correlation function by the Kaiser effect will be clearly seen for halos above $M > 5 \times 10^{13} \, h^{-1} \, M_\odot$ in DES. The effect is negligible for more massive halos, $M > 5 \times 10^{14} \, h^{-1} \, M_\odot$ in DES and SPT, because of their larger error bars (see Fig. 13). For the “C1 clusters” measured in the XXL survey redshift distortions are marginally relevant: they are on the order of $0.4 \sigma_{\ell_0}$ in distance bins around $15 \, h^{-1} \, \text{Mpc}$, so that by collecting the signal from all distance bins they would give a signal-to-noise ratio of about unity.

Among full-sky surveys, the redshift-space amplification will have a clear impact for the full cluster populations measured in Erosita and Euclid, and a marginal impact for Planck. Again, subsamples of massive clusters, $M > 5 \times 10^{14} \, h^{-1} \, M_\odot$, lead to large error bars that hide this redshift-space effect.

In practice one does not measure both real-space and redshift-space correlations from a cluster survey, because one does not have a map of the cluster velocities. Therefore, the redshift-space amplification of the spherically averaged correlation $\xi_{\ell_0}(s)$ is degenerate with the halo bias $b$ (which is difficult to predict with a high accuracy). To measure redshift-space distortions, one needs to measure the anisotropies of the redshift-space correlation, that is, the higher-order multipoles $\xi_{\ell_0(s)}$ and $g_{\ell_0(s)}$ of Eq. (11). This provides a distinctive signature that breaks the degeneracy with the halo bias and yields another constraint on cosmology through the factor $\beta$, that is, the growth rate $f$ of the density fluctuations defined in Eq. (8). We consider these higher-order multipoles in the following sections.

5.2. "2 $\ell = 2$" redshift-space correlation

We show in Figs. 17 and 18 the mean “$2 \ell = 2$" redshift-space correlation $\xi_{\ell_0(s)}$. We considered the same surveys as in Sect. 5.1, but we only plot our results for the cases where the signal-to-noise ratio is higher than unity. In agreement with the analysis of Sect. 3, this quadrupole term is more difficult to measure than the monopole term studied in Sect. 5.1, and only DES, Erosita, and Euclid can obtain a clear detection. Even for these surveys, the correlation can only be measured for the full halo population and error bars become too large if one restricts to the subsample of rare massive halos above $5 \times 10^{14} \, h^{-1} \, M_\odot$. Nevertheless, it will be useful to measure this “$2 \ell = 2$" redshift-space correlation in these surveys because this should tighten the constraints on cosmology. Indeed, a simultaneous analysis of $\xi_{\ell_0(s)}$ and $g_{\ell_0(s)}$ constrains the factor $\beta = f/b$, and in turn the halo bias and the growth rate of density fluctuations.

5.3. "2 $\ell = 4$" redshift-space correlation

We show in Fig. 19 the mean “$2 \ell = 4$" redshift-space correlation $\xi_{\ell_0(s)}$. The signal is even weaker than for the “$2 \ell = 2$" correlation and only DES and Euclid may be able to obtain a detection. DES is unlikely to provide an accurate measure but it should still give useful upper bounds. Euclid may obtain a significant measure of the overall amplitude by gathering the information from all distance bins. This would provide an additional
constraint on $\beta$ to the one provided by the multipole $2\ell = 2$ of Fig. 18.

6. Conclusion

We have generalized our previous study of the real-space correlation functions of clusters of galaxies (Valageas et al. 2011) to include redshift-space distortions. On large scales they lead to an anisotropic correlation function because of the Kaiser effect, due to the correlation between density and velocity fields. There are no “fingers of God” because clusters are the largest bound objects, as opposed to galaxies that can have performed several orbital revolutions within a larger halo and show a high small-scale velocity dispersion. Then, taking into account this Kaiser effect at leading order and using a simple hierarchical model for the three-point and four-point halo correlations, we developed an analytical formalism to obtain explicit expressions for the mean redshift-space correlations and their covariance matrices. We included shot-noise and sample-variance effects as well as Gaussian and non-Gaussian contributions. This is a direct extension of the formalism presented in Valageas et al. (2011) for real-space correlations.

Expanding as usual the angular anisotropy of the redshift-space correlation on Legendre polynomials, we considered the first three nonzero multipoles: the monopole $2\ell = 0$ (i.e., the spherically-averaged correlation), the quadrupole, $2\ell = 2$, and the next multipole, $2\ell = 4$. Higher-order multipoles should arise from nonlinear corrections to the Kaiser effect. Although they are not studied here, which would require a more complex nonlinear modeling of the Kaiser effect itself, their analysis could be performed using the formalism developed in this paper (one only needs to include higher multipoles in the sums that appear in the expressions of the covariance matrices). However, for practical purposes they are probably irrelevant for clusters of galaxies. Indeed, higher-order multipoles are increasingly difficult to measure and we found that the third multipole, $2\ell = 4$, may only be detected (at a $1-\sigma$ level) by Euclid or a similar survey.

We obtained a reasonable agreement with numerical simulations for the mean correlations and covariance matrices on large scales ($r > 10$ h$^{-1}$ Mpc). Redshift-space distortions amplify the monopole correlation by about 10−20%, depending on the halo mass. The covariance matrix is also amplified by 10−40% and the signal-to-noise ratio remains of the same order as for the real-space correlation. We found that non-Gaussian terms can contribute to the covariance matrices up to 20−60%, especially for nondiagonal entries when one of the two bins corresponds to small scales ($\sim 10$ h$^{-1}$ Mpc). They make the correlation matrices less diagonal. We also found that the correlation matrices of the quadrupole ($2\ell = 2$) are significantly more diagonal than the correlation matrices of the monopole ($2\ell = 0$). On the other hand, the cross-correlations of the monopole and quadrupole are quite small, on the order of 0.05. This means that the full covariance matrix is approximately block-diagonal in the space $(R, 2\ell)$, that is, we may decouple the analysis of the monopole and quadrupole.

Our predictions for ongoing and future surveys (only taking into account the sample-variance and shot-noise contributions) show that the impact of redshift distortions on the spherical-averaged correlation (i.e., the monopole) will only be significant for DES, Erosita, and Euclid. For the other surveys investigated here, XXL, SPT, and Planck, the difference $\langle 2\ell \mid R \rangle - \langle 2\ell \rangle$, between the redshift-space and real-space correlations, falls below $1 - 2\sigma^2$ of the statistical error bar. In practice, even for these surveys it would be better to compare the data with theoretical predictions for the redshift-space correlations rather than the real-space correlations, since simple models for the latter are not more difficult to implement and one does not need a very accurate modeling of redshift distortions. For covariance matrices, it is sufficient to use the real-space ones, which are easier to compute. For DES, Erosita, and Euclid, one should take into account redshift-space distortions for both the mean correlations and their covariance matrices. However, because of their modest impact on the covariance matrices (see Figs. 3 and 4) and the limited accuracy of such computations, it is probably sufficient to use the real-space covariance matrices in a first step.

The quadrupole, $2\ell = 2$, is more difficult to measure from the distribution of clusters of galaxies, and we found that only DES, Erosita, and Euclid, among the surveys considered here, will likely provide a useful measure. In this respect, clusters are less efficient than galaxies in measuring redshift-space distortions. Even though clusters have a higher bias and stronger correlations, they are much less numerous than galaxies. This leads to a lower signal-to-noise ratio for the quadrupole. Nevertheless, such a measure would provide a nice supplement and would help tighten the constraints on cosmology. An extension of this paper would be to study on a quantitative level the expected improvement brought by this measure for these surveys. This requires a statistical analysis, using Fisher matrices or likelihood functions, which we leave for future works.

The last multipole generated at linear order by the Kaiser effect, $2\ell = 4$, is very difficult to measure from cluster surveys and we found that only Euclid will likely be able to provide a meaningful measure. Nonlinear corrections will generate higher-order multipoles but they are likely to be even more difficult to measure. Therefore, for practical purposes redshift-space distortions should only impact cluster correlations at the level of the monopole and quadrupole components.

Our results deliberately disregard observational constraints related to cluster redshifts estimation. In practice, measuring cluster redshifts is a costly task that consists in obtaining spectra for a few (≥10) galaxies pertaining to each cluster, leading to errors on the order of $\sigma(z) < 0.01(1+z)$. This precision depends on the number of measured spectra, which in turn depends on cluster richness (and consequently, on its mass), cluster apparent size, morphological complexity, dynamical state, and distance to the observer, as well as on fixed instrumental constraints. In some cases, only the brightest central galaxy (BCG) can have its redshift measured. This may result in a biased cluster redshift estimate, for the BCG may have a small proper motion within the cluster potential well (Adami & Ulmer 2000; Oegerle & Hill 2001; Coziol et al. 2009). In many other cases, only photometric redshifts will be obtained, resulting in larger redshift uncertainties – on the order of $\sigma(z) \sim 0.05(1+z)$ (e.g. Pillepich et al. 2012). However, recent studies have underlined the potential of photometric surveys for studying redshift space distortions at the galaxy scale, using the information in the (2D) angular correlation function (e.g. Ross et al. 2011). We leave the application of this method to clusters to future work, and note that a quantitative analysis (e.g. a Fisher analysis) would largely benefit from a proper modeling of follow-up incompleteness, uncertainties, and biases on cluster redshifts given the halo masses and positions.

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Appendix A: Computation of geometrical averages

We give in this appendix the explicit expressions of the various geometrical averages of two-point correlations that are needed to compute the covariance matrix $C_{ij}^{(s)}$ within our framework. We followed the method and the notations of Valageas et al. (2011) while we extend their results to redshift-space (especially their Appendix F).

The second term in Eq. (34) involves the average (40) of the correlation between two concentric spherical shells. Defining the 3D Fourier transform of the 2ℓ-multipole top-hat as

$$\tilde{W}_3^{(2\ell)}(kR) = \int_0^\infty \frac{dr}{4\pi r^3} (4\ell + 1)P_2(\mu_r)e^{ikr},$$

(A.1)

where again $\mu_r = (e_r \cdot r)/r$, the 3D Fourier-space window of the i-shell reads as

$$\tilde{W}_i^{(2\ell)}(k) = \int_{V_i} \frac{dr}{V_i} (4\ell + 1)P_2(\mu_r)e^{ikr}$$

$$= \frac{R_{i+}^{-3}W_3^{(2\ell)}(kR_{i+}) - R_{i-}^{-3}W_3^{(2\ell)}(kR_{i-})}{R_{i+}^{-3} - R_{i-}^{-3}}.$$  (A.2)

In Eq. (A.1) the subscript 3 recalls that we consider a 3D window. To simplify the notation we did not recall this fact in the window $\tilde{W}_3^{(2\ell)}$ associated with each 3D radial bin. In studies of the real-space correlation (Valageas et al. 2011), only the usual top-hat window $\tilde{W}_3^{(0)}(kR)$ appears, which does not depend on the angle of $k$. Here, because we study the anisotropic redshift-space correlation and its various multipoles (25) higher-order multipoles $\tilde{W}_3^{(2\ell)}(kR)$ appear, which depend on the direction of $k$. Equation (A.1) also reads as

$$\tilde{W}_3^{(2\ell)}(kR) = \tilde{W}_3^{(0)}(kR) P_2(\mu_k),$$

(A.3)

where the angular dependence has been factored out, with

$$\tilde{W}_3^{(0)}(kR) = (-1)^\ell (4\ell + 1) \int_0^\infty \frac{dr 3r^2}{r^3} j_{2\ell}(kr).$$

(A.4)

This yields for the window of the i-shell,

$$\tilde{W}_i^{(2\ell)}(k) = \tilde{W}_i^{(0)}(k) P_2(\mu_k),$$

(A.5)

with

$$\tilde{W}_i^{(2\ell)}(k) = \frac{R_{i+}^{-3}W_3^{(2\ell)}(kR_{i+}) - R_{i-}^{-3}W_3^{(2\ell)}(kR_{i-})}{R_{i+}^{-3} - R_{i-}^{-3}}.$$  (A.6)

In practice, the redshift-space correlation of clusters of galaxies should be dominated by the Kaiser effect and the lower multipoles $2\ell = 0, 2, 4$ as in Eqs. (11)–(14). Therefore, we only give explicit expressions for low-order multipoles, which read as

$$\tilde{W}_3^{(0)}(kR) = \frac{3 \sin(kR) - kR \cos(kR)}{(kR)^2},$$

(A.7)

$$\tilde{W}_3^{(2)}(kR) = -\frac{15}{(kR)^3} [kR \cos(kR) - 4 \sin(kR) + 3 \text{Si}(kR)],$$

(A.8)

$$\tilde{W}_3^{(4)}(kR) = \frac{27}{2(kR)^5} \left[ 105 - 2(kR)^2 \right] kR \cos(kR) - \frac{105 - 22(kR)^2}{2(kR)^5} \sin(kR) + 15(kR)^2 \text{Si}(kR),$$

(A.9)

where $\text{Si}(z) = \int_0^z \sin(t)/t$ is the sine integral. Then, writing the two-point correlation function in Eq. (40) in terms of the power spectrum (9), the angular integration gives

$$\overline{\xi^{(i)}_{ij}} = \int_0^\infty \frac{dk}{k} \Delta^2(r,z) \tilde{W}_i^{(2\ell)}(k) \tilde{W}_j^{(2\ell)}(k)$$

$$\times \left\{ \left( 1 + 2\beta_s^2 - \frac{5\beta_s^4}{3} \right) \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2\ell_x & 2\ell_y \\ 0 & 2\ell_y & 2\ell_z \end{array} \right] + \left( 1 + 2\beta_s^2 + \frac{4\beta_s^4}{3} \right) \right\}.$$  (A.10)

Next, the last term in Eq. (34) involves the non-connected four-point average

$$\overline{\xi^{(i)}_{ij} \xi^{(i)}_{ij}} = \int \frac{dV_i}{V_i} \frac{d\Omega}{\Delta \Omega} \int \frac{dV_i}{V_i} \frac{d\Omega}{\Delta \Omega} \int \frac{dV_j}{V_j} \frac{d\Omega}{\Delta \Omega} \int \frac{dV_j}{V_j} \frac{d\Omega}{\Delta \Omega}$$

$$\times (4\ell_i + 1)P_2(\mu_{ij})P_2(\mu_{ij})\xi^{(i)}_{ij} \xi^{(i)}_{ij}.$$  (A.11)

As in Valageas et al. (2011), expressing the two-point correlation functions in terms of the power spectrum, using the flat-sky (small angle) approximation, as well as Limber’s approximation (Limber 1953; Kaiser 1992; Munshi et al. 2008), we obtain

$$\overline{\xi^{(i)}_{ij} \xi^{(i)}_{ij}} = \frac{2\pi}{\Delta \Omega} \int \frac{dV_i}{V_i} \frac{d\Omega}{\Delta \Omega} \int \frac{dV_j}{V_j} \frac{d\Omega}{\Delta \Omega}$$

$$\times \delta_3(\mu_{ij}) \tilde{W}_i^{(2\ell)}(k) \tilde{W}_j^{(2\ell)}(k) \tilde{W}_3(\delta_3(\mu_{ij}))^2,$$

(A.12)

where $\mu_i = (e_i \cdot k)/|k|$, $\theta_i$ is the angular radius of the survey window (in the flat-sky approximation),

$$(\Delta \Omega) = \pi \theta_i^2,$$

(A.13)

and $\tilde{W}_3$ is the 2D Fourier-space circular window,

$$\tilde{W}_3(\delta_3(\mu_{ij})) = \int \frac{d\Omega}{\Delta \Omega} e^{ik \cdot \delta_3(\mu_{ij})}.$$  (A.14)

Introducing an auxiliary wavenumber $k_L$ with a Dirac factor $\int dk L_\delta(k_L - k_L - k_L)$ and using the exponential representation of Dirac functions, we can partially factorize the integrals and perform a few angular integrations. This yields

$$\overline{\xi^{(i)}_{ij} \xi^{(i)}_{ij}} = \int \frac{dr}{2\pi r \Delta \theta} I_{i,1/2\ell}(r) I_{j,1/2\ell}(r) A^{(i)}(\frac{r}{\Delta \theta}),$$  (A.15)

where we introduced

$$A^{(i)}(\frac{r}{\Delta \theta}) = \frac{r}{2\pi} \int d\Omega L_\delta(k_L \cdot \delta_3(\mu_{ij}))^2$$

(A.16) and

$$I_{1/2\ell}(r) = \int d\Omega e^{ik \cdot r} P(k)(1 + \beta_s^2/2) \tilde{W}_3^{(2\ell)}(k).$$

(A.17)

Using the multipole decomposition (11) and the expansion of plane waves on spherical harmonics, we can write $I_{1/2\ell}(r)$ as

$$I_{1/2\ell}(r) = \frac{4}{\alpha} I_{1/2\ell}(r) P_2(\mu_r),$$

(A.18)

where the sum over $\ell$ runs up to 4 because the expansion (11) only includes the terms $0 \leq \ell \leq 2$ and we only study estimators $\xi_{R,1/2\ell}$ with $0 \leq \ell \leq 2$. If we consider a model where the
redshift-space correlation includes multipoles up to $2\ell_{\text{max}}$, and we study estimators up to order $2\ell_{\text{max}}$, the sum (A.18) runs up to $\ell \leq \ell_{\text{max}} + \ell_{\text{max}}$. Here we introduced

$$I^{(s,2\ell)}_{\ell,\ell_{\text{max}}} = (4\ell + 1) \sum_{\ell'=0}^{\ell+\ell_{\text{max}}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 \delta r(x)}{r R} \, dr \, P_{\ell'}(\mu) r_{\ell'}.$$

Using the expansions (11) and (A.18), this yields

$$\xi^{(s,2\ell)}_{\ell_{\text{max}}} = (4\ell + 1) \int_{R_{\ell_{\text{max}}}^2} dr \, \frac{3r^2}{R_{\ell_{\text{max}}}^2 - R_{\ell_{\text{max}}}^2} \sum_{\ell'=0}^2 \sum_{n'=0}^4 \xi^{(s,2\ell')}_{\ell_{\text{max}}} \left( \frac{r}{R_{\ell_{\text{max}}}^2} \right)^2 R_{\ell_{\text{max}}}^2.$$

The third term within the brackets in Eq. (38) is obtained from Eq. (A.25) by exchanging the labels “$i$” and “$j$”.

We now turn to the contribution (39) that arises from the four-point correlation function, proceeding in a similar fashion. The new geometrical average involved by the first two terms within the brackets in Eq. (39) reads as

$$\xi_{s,i}^{(s,2\ell)} = 2\theta_i \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{dr}{\sqrt{D r}} \sum_{\ell'=0}^{4} I_{\ell_{\text{max}}}^{2\ell}(r) \xi_{s,2\ell}^{(r)}(r) \bigg( \frac{r}{\sqrt{D r}} \bigg),$$

which does not depend on the bin $i$. The third term involves the cylindrical average

$$\xi_{s,ij}^{(s,2\ell)} = \pi \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{dk \Delta^2(k)}{k} W_3(kD r)^2.$$

The fourth term, which does not factor, gives rise to

$$A_{\text{four}} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} \frac{du}{P_{\ell_{\text{max}}}^2} \, 2 \ell \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{dr}{\sqrt{D r}} \sum_{\ell'=0}^{4} \sum_{n'=0}^{4} \xi^{(s,2\ell')}_{\ell_{\text{max}}} \left( \frac{r}{\sqrt{D r}} \right) I_{\ell_{\text{max}}}^{(s,2\ell)}(r)^2 \bigg( \frac{r}{\sqrt{D r}} \bigg).$$

The last two terms within the brackets in Eq. (39) involve the geometrical average

$$\xi_{s,i}^{(s,2\ell)} = \frac{\theta_i}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{dr}{\sqrt{D r}} \sum_{\ell'=0}^{4} \sum_{n'=0}^{4} \xi^{(s,2\ell')}_{\ell_{\text{max}}} \left( \frac{r}{\sqrt{D r}} \right) I_{\ell_{\text{max}}}^{(s,2\ell)}(r)^2 \bigg( \frac{r}{\sqrt{D r}} \bigg).$$

To integrate over angles, we again introduce a Dirac factor $\int dr \delta(r' - r')$ that we write under its exponential representation, which we expand over spherical harmonics. Using the expansions (11) and (A.18), we obtain

$$\xi_{s,i}^{(s,2\ell)} = \frac{\theta_i}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{dr}{\sqrt{D r}} \sum_{\ell'=0}^{4} \sum_{n'=0}^{4} \xi^{(s,2\ell')}_{\ell_{\text{max}}} \left( \frac{r}{\sqrt{D r}} \right) I_{\ell_{\text{max}}}^{(s,2\ell)}(r)^2 \bigg( \frac{r}{\sqrt{D r}} \bigg).$$

The second term can be written in configuration space as

$$\xi_{s,i}^{(s,2\ell)} = \int_{V_{\ell_{\text{max}}}} \frac{dr}{\sqrt{V_{\ell_{\text{max}}}}} \sum_{\ell'=0}^{4} \sum_{n'=0}^{4} \xi^{(s,2\ell')}_{\ell_{\text{max}}} \left( \frac{r}{\sqrt{D r}} \right) I_{\ell_{\text{max}}}^{(s,2\ell)}(r)^2 \bigg( \frac{r}{\sqrt{D r}} \bigg).$$

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where we introduced the symmetric functions

\[
C^{\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3}(r_1, r_2, r_3) = \frac{4}{\pi} r_1 r_2 r_3 \int_0^\infty dk \ k^2 j_{\ell_2}(k r_1) 
\times j_{\ell_3}(k r_2) j_{\ell_3}(k r_3).
\]  (A.32)

For numerical computations it is more efficient to write Eq. (A.31) in a partially factorized form by exchanging the order of the integrations and moving the integration over \(k\) included in the function \(C^{\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3}(r_1, r_2, r_3)\) to the left. Using the decomposition (11)–(14) and integrating over \(r^3\), this gives

\[
\begin{align*}
\xi_{\ell_1}^{(a)}(r) & = 2a \int_0^\infty \frac{dk}{k} \Lambda^2(k) \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_1} \sum_{\ell'=-\ell}^{\ell} \sum_{\ell''=-\ell}^{\ell} \sum_{\ell'''}^{-\ell'} (4\ell' + 1)(4n + 1)(4n') \left( \begin{array}{c} 2n' & 2\ell' & 2\ell'' \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \\
& \times (-1)^{n + n' + \ell''} J_{2\ell'}(k r) J_{2\ell''}(k r) \sum_{n=0}^{n_0} (4n + 1)(2n - 1)!! \frac{(2n - 1)!!}{2^n n!} \\
& \times \left( \frac{2n}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{dr}{\Theta(r)} J_{2\ell'}(k r) J_{2\ell''}(k r) \xi_{\ell_1}^{(a)}(r) \right),
\end{align*}
\]  (A.33)

where \(\xi^{(a)}(r)\) is the prefactor in Eqs. (12)–(14),

\[
F^{(0)} = 1 + \frac{2\gamma}{3} + \frac{\beta^2}{5}, \quad F^{(2)} = -\frac{4\beta}{3} - \frac{4\gamma^2}{7}, \quad F^{(4)} = 8\gamma^2
\]  (A.34)

Again, all these geometrical averages of redshift-space correlations reduce to the real-space results of Valageas et al. (2011), if we set \(\beta = 0\) and only keep the monopole terms.

### Appendix B: Some useful integrals

We describe here the computation of some of the functions introduced in Appendix A.

#### B.1. Multipoles of \(A^a(y)\)

Using the expression (A.23) and the expansion (Gradsteyn & Ryzhik 1994)

\[
J_0(z \sqrt{1 - \mu^2}) = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{z}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \begin{array}{c} 2n + 1/2 \\ n \end{array} \right) (2n - 1)!! \frac{(2n - 1)!!}{2^n n!} \\
\times J_{2n+1/2}(z) P_{2n}(\mu),
\]  (B.1)

we can write

\[
A^{\ell_1}(y, \mu^2) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (4n + 1) \frac{(2n - 1)!!}{2^n n!} B_n(y) P_{2n}(\mu),
\]  (B.2)

with

\[
B_n(y) = y \int_0^\infty du \ u \ W_2(u) \ J_{2n}(yu).
\]  (B.3)

This yields the multipoles

\[
A^{(\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3)}(y) = \sum_{n=|\ell_1-\ell_3|}^{\ell_1+\ell_3} \left( \begin{array}{c} 2n + 1/2 \\ n \end{array} \right) (2n - 1)!! \frac{(2n - 1)!!}{2^n n!} \\
\times B_n(y),
\]  (B.4)

and

\[
A^{(\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3)}(y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\ell_3+\ell_3} (4n + 1) \frac{(2n - 1)!!}{2^n n!} Y^{(\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3)}(y),
\]  (B.5)

with

\[
Y^{(\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3)} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty d\mu P_{2\ell_1}(\mu) P_{2\ell_2}(\mu) P_{2\ell_3}(\mu).
\]  (B.6)

Because we only considered the low-order multipoles \(0 \leq \ell \leq 2\) of the redshift-space correlation function, we only need the first few multipoles \(A^{(\ell_1, \ell_2)}\) and \(A^{(\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3)}\). The associated numbers \(Y^{(\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3)}\) and functions \(B_n(y)\) can be computed in advance.

#### B.2. Symmetric functions \(C^{\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3}\)

The functions \(C^{\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3}\) defined in Eq. (A.32) vanish if the three lengths \(|r_1, r_2, r_3|\) do not obey triangular inequalities. It is also useful to note that these functions obey the scale invariance

\[
\lambda > 0: \quad C^{\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3}(\lambda r_1, \lambda r_2, \lambda r_3) = C^{\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3}(r_1, r_2, r_3).
\]  (B.7)

For \(|r_1 - r_2| < r_3 < r_1 + r_2\), as in Eq. (A.31), we obtain explicit expressions using the recursion relations of Bessel functions and the property (Gradsteyn & Ryzhik 1994)

\[
\int_0^\infty dk \ k \ J_0(ak) J_0(bk) J_0(ck) = \frac{\sin(\psi)\psi^{1/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi a}} \times F^{1/2 - a/2} (\cos c),
\]  (B.8)

for

\[
|a - b| < c < a + b, \quad 2bc \cos(c) = b^2 + c^2 - a^2.
\]  (B.9)

Indeed, Eq. (A.32) also reads as

\[
C^{\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3}(r_1, r_2, r_3) = \sqrt{2\pi r_1 r_2 r_3} \int_0^\infty dk \sqrt{\frac{k}{r_1 r_2 r_3}} J_{2\ell_1+1/2}(k r_1) \ J_{2\ell_2+1/2}(k r_2) \ J_{2\ell_3+1/2}(k r_3).
\]  (B.10)

Then, using the recursion

\[
J_{2\ell+1/2}(z) = \frac{4\ell - 1}{z} J_{2\ell-1/2}(z) - J_{2\ell-3/2}(z),
\]  (B.11)

we can lower the indices \(\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3\) and can express all required quantities in terms of integrals of the form (B.8) with two identical indices and the right power-law prefactor. For instance, the first few functions read as

\[
C^{0,0,0} = 1,
\]  (B.12)

\[
C^{0,1,1} = \frac{3\mu_1^2 - 1}{2},
\]  (B.13)

\[
C^{1,1,1} = \frac{3 r_3^2}{2} \mu_1 (1 - \mu_1) - \frac{3\mu_1^2}{2}.
\]  (B.14)

were we defined

\[
\mu_1 = \frac{r_1^2 + r_2^2 - r_3^2}{2r_1 r_2}.
\]  (B.15)
functions $W$ correlation with respect to bin $i$, shift interval, and mass thresholds) as in Fig. 8, where we plotted the $W$ also write as

To compute the geometrical means $B.3. Functions W_{i}^{\ell,\ell'}(a, b)$

To compute the geometrical means $B.3. Functions W_{i}^{\ell,\ell'}(a, b)$ defined in Eq. (A.17), we need the functions $W_{i}^{\ell,\ell'}$ defined in Eq. (A.20). Using Eq. (A.4), they also write as

$$W_{i}^{\ell,\ell'}(a, b) = (-1)^{\ell'+\ell} (4\ell'+1) \left( \begin{array}{ccc} 2\ell & 2\ell' & 2\ell' \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

where the functions $C^{\ell,\ell}_{i}$ were defined in Eq. (A.32). From the triangular constraint on these functions $C^{\ell,\ell}_{i}$, we obtain

$$|a - b| > 1 : \quad W_{i}^{\ell,\ell'} = 0,$$

while the scale invariance (B.7) leads to

$$a + b \leq 1 : \quad W_{i}^{\ell,\ell'}(a, b) = (a + b)^2 \cdot W_{i}^{\ell,\ell'} \left( \begin{array}{c} a \\ a + b \end{array} \right) \cdot \left( \begin{array}{c} b \\ a + b \end{array} \right).$$

Then, from the explicit expressions obtained in Appendix B.2, which are rational functions of $|r_{1}, r_{2}, r_{3}|$, we can perform the integral (B.16) and derive explicit expressions. In particular, the first function reads as

$$|a - b| < 1, a + b < 1 : \quad W_{0}^{0,0} = 3ab,$$

$$|a - b| < 1, a + b > 1 : \quad W_{0}^{0,0} = -\frac{3}{4} [1 - (a - b)^2].$$

Appendix C: Correlation matrices of the “2$\ell$ = 2” redshift-space correlation

C.1. Auto-correlation of the “2$\ell$ = 2” multipole

We show in Fig. C.1 the auto-correlation matrices of the “2$\ell$ = 2” redshift-space correlation. For simplicity we only plot our results for the full matrices that include the non-Gaussian contributions associated with the 3-pt and 4-pt correlation functions. We can see that they are significantly more diagonal than the auto-correlation matrices of the monopole term that were displayed in the right panels of Fig. 8.
C.2. Cross-correlation of the “2ℓ = 2” and “2ℓ = 2” multipoles

We show in Fig. C.2 the cross-correlation matrices of the “2ℓ = 0” and “2ℓ = 2” redshift-space correlations. Thus, in the plane \([R_0, R_2]\) we plot the contour plots of the matrices

\[
R_{R_0, R_2}^{(s)} = \frac{C_{R_0, R_2}^{(s)} - 0 R_0, R_2^{(s)}}{C_{R_0, R_2}^{(s)}},
\]

(C.1)

Because \(\ell_i \neq \ell_j\) this matrix is no longer symmetric in the plane \([R_0, R_2]\) and it can be negative for \(R_0 = R_2\). We can see that its amplitude is rather small, typically on the order of 0.05, even along the diagonal. Indeed, because \(\ell_i \neq \ell_j\) the pure shot-noise contribution to Eq. (34) vanishes (the factor \(\delta_{\ell_i, \ell_j}(4\ell + 1)\) within the brackets). This is due to the orthogonality of the Legendre polynomials, which are the basis of the multipole decomposition of the redshift-space correlation. The small amplitude of the matrices found in Fig. C.2 means that the full covariance matrix of the redshift-space correlation functions in large galaxy cluster surveys is approximately block-diagonal in the space \([R_0, 2\ell]\). Therefore, we may neglect \(C_{\ell_i, \ell_j}^{(s)}\) for \(\ell_i \neq \ell_j\) and decouple the analysis of \(\xi_{R_0}^{(s)}\) and \(\xi_{R_2}^{(s)}\).

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