
Probing Parity Violation with Weak Lensing Trispectrum

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Motivation



- Parity violation in cosmology — potential signature of new physics in large-scale structure
- CMB lensing has been proposed to probe parity violation in the early universe
- Weak lensing traces matter distribution at late times, complementary to CMB

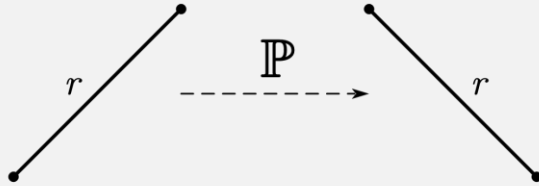
Introduction of parity

Parity transformation:

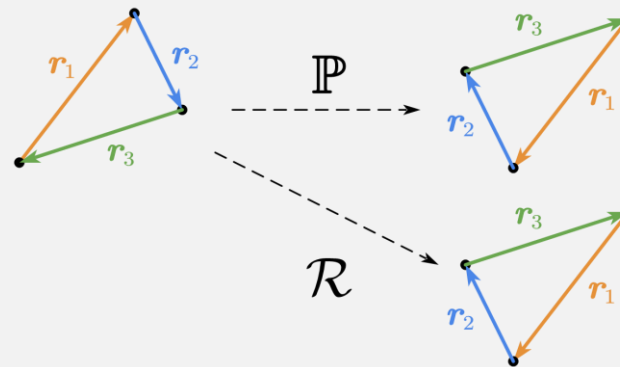
$$\mathbb{P} : \boldsymbol{x} \rightarrow -\boldsymbol{x}$$

$$\mathbb{P} : (x, y, z) \rightarrow (-x, -y, -z)$$

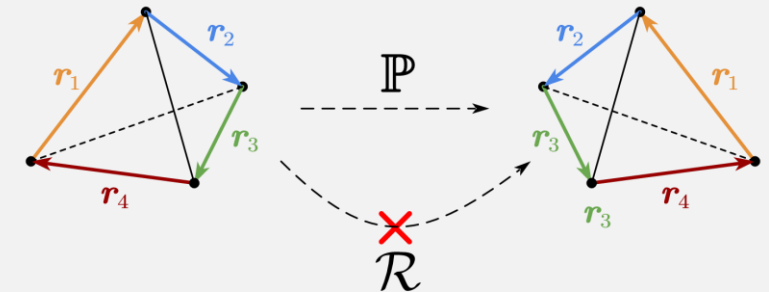
2PCF



3PCF



4PCF



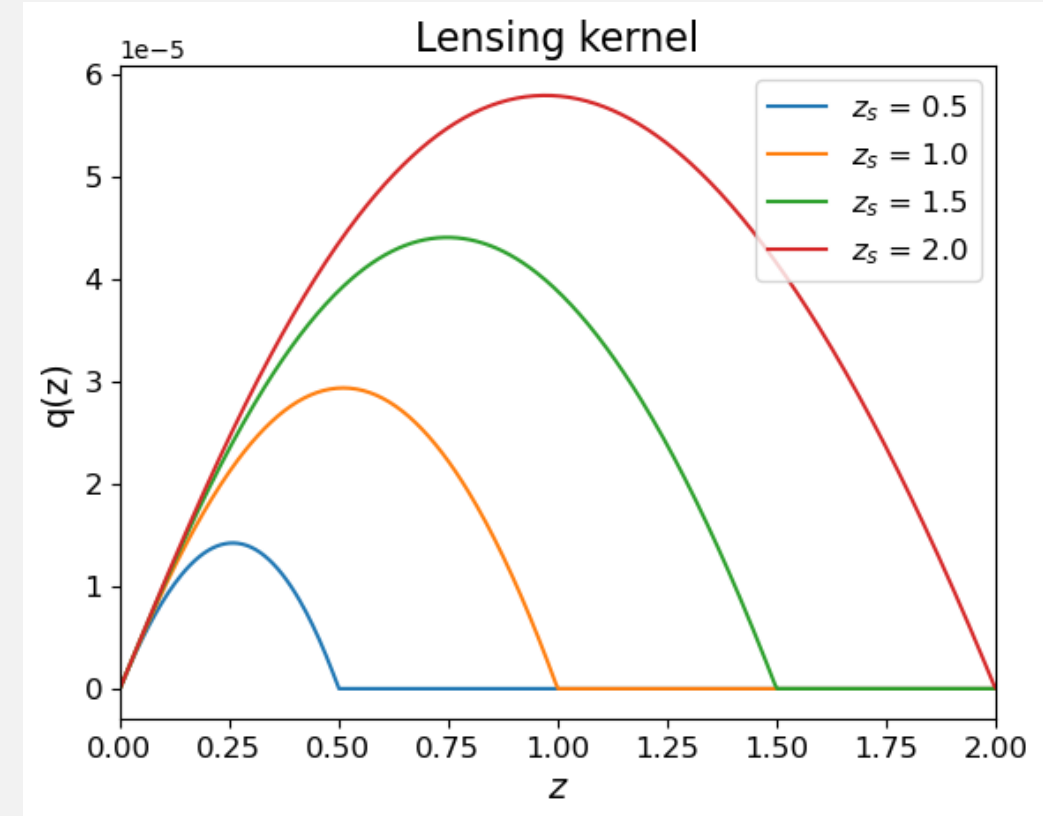
Weak lensing basics

- Convergence, κ , is the projected matter density contrast along the line of sight

$$\kappa(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) = \int_0^{\chi_H} d\chi q(\chi) \delta(\chi \hat{\mathbf{n}}, \chi)$$

- Lensing kernel $q(\chi)$ with Dirac delta redshift distribution:

$$q(\chi) = \frac{3H_0^2 \Omega_m}{2c^2} \frac{1}{a(\chi)} \frac{\chi(\chi_s - \chi)}{\chi_s}$$



Weak lensing trispectrum



Weak lensing convergence:

$$\kappa_{\ell m} = 4\pi i^\ell \int_0^{\chi_H} d\chi' q(\chi') \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} \tilde{\delta}(\mathbf{k}) j_\ell(k\chi') Y_{\ell m}^*(\hat{\mathbf{k}})$$

Plane-wave expansion:

$$e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} = 4\pi \sum_{L=0}^{\infty} \sum_{M=-L}^L i^L j_L(kx) Y_{LM}(\hat{\mathbf{k}}) Y_{LM}^*(\hat{\mathbf{x}})$$

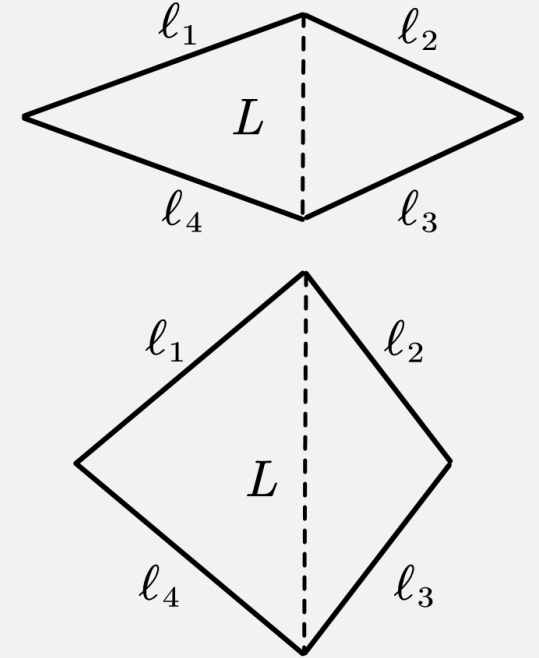
Angular trispectrum:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \kappa_{\ell_1 m_1} \kappa_{\ell_2 m_2} \kappa_{\ell_3 m_3} \kappa_{\ell_4 m_4} \rangle &= (2\pi)^3 (4\pi)^4 i^{\ell_1 + \ell_2 + \ell_3 + \ell_4} \int_0^{\chi_{H_1}} d\chi'_1 \dots \int_0^{\chi_{H_4}} d\chi'_4 q(\chi'_1) \dots q(\chi'_4) \\ &\times \int \frac{d^3 k_1}{(2\pi)^3} \dots \int \frac{d^3 k_4}{(2\pi)^3} \delta_D^{(3)}(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3 + \mathbf{k}_4) T(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3, \mathbf{k}_4) \\ &\times j_{\ell_1}(k_1 \chi'_1) j_{\ell_2}(k_2 \chi'_2) j_{\ell_3}(k_3 \chi'_3) j_{\ell_4}(k_4 \chi'_4) \\ &\times Y_{\ell_1 m_1}^*(\hat{\mathbf{k}}_1) Y_{\ell_2 m_2}^*(\hat{\mathbf{k}}_2) Y_{\ell_3 m_3}^*(\hat{\mathbf{k}}_3) Y_{\ell_4 m_4}^*(\hat{\mathbf{k}}_4) \end{aligned}$$

Weak lensing reduced trispectrum

Formula of weak lensing angular reduced trispectrum:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_{\ell_3 \ell_4}^{\ell_1 \ell_2}(L) &= (2L+1) \sum_{m_1 m_2 m_3 m_4 M} (-1)^M \begin{pmatrix} \ell_1 & \ell_2 & L \\ m_1 & m_2 & M \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \ell_3 & \ell_4 & L \\ m_3 & m_4 & -M \end{pmatrix} \langle \kappa_{\ell_1 m_1} \kappa_{\ell_2 m_2} \kappa_{\ell_3 m_3} \kappa_{\ell_4 m_4} \rangle \\
 &= (2L+1) \times i^{\ell_1 + \ell_2 + \ell_3} \\
 &\times \sum_{L_1 L_2 L_3} \sum_{L'} \mathcal{F}_{L_1 L_2 L'} \mathcal{F}_{L_3 \ell_4 L'} \times i^{L_1 + L_2 + L_3} \sum_{\ell'_1 \ell'_2 \ell'_3} \times \mathcal{F}_{L_1 \ell'_1 \ell'_1} \mathcal{F}_{L_2 \ell'_2 \ell'_2} \mathcal{F}_{L_3 \ell'_3 \ell'_3} \\
 &\times (-1)^{\ell'_1 + \ell'_2} \begin{Bmatrix} \ell_3 & \ell_4 & L \\ L' & \ell'_3 & L_3 \end{Bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} L & L' & \ell'_3 \\ \ell_2 & L_2 & \ell'_2 \\ \ell_1 & L_1 & \ell'_1 \end{Bmatrix} \quad \xrightarrow{\text{Geometry part}} \\
 &\times \left[\frac{2}{5} \frac{1}{\Omega_{m,0} H_0^2} \right]^4 \int_0^\infty \frac{d\chi}{\chi^{14}} \prod_{n=1}^4 \left[q_n(\chi) D(\chi) \mathcal{T}_\delta \left(\frac{\ell_n}{\chi} \right) \ell_n^2 \right] T_{\ell'_1 \ell'_2 \ell'_3}^{\mathcal{R}} \left(\frac{\ell_1}{\chi}, \frac{\ell_2}{\chi}, \frac{\ell_3}{\chi}, \frac{\ell_4}{\chi} \right) \\
 &\quad \xleftarrow{\text{Projection part}}
 \end{aligned}$$



where \mathcal{F} is: explain the projection, geometry and finally the total reduced trispectrum.

$$\mathcal{F}_{\ell_1 \ell_2 \ell_3} = \sqrt{\frac{(2\ell_1+1)(2\ell_2+1)(2\ell_3+1)}{4\pi}} \begin{pmatrix} \ell_1 & \ell_2 & \ell_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Weak lensing trispectrum projection part

Projection part:

$$\mathcal{I}_{\ell_1 \ell_2 \ell_3 \ell_4}^{\ell'_1 \ell'_2 \ell'_3} = \left[\frac{2}{5} \frac{1}{\Omega_{m,0} H_0^2} \right]^4 \int_0^\infty \frac{d\chi}{\chi^{14}} \prod_{n=1}^4 \left[q_n(\chi) D(\chi) \mathcal{T}_\delta \left(\frac{\ell_n}{\chi} \right) \ell_n^2 \right] T_{\ell'_1 \ell'_2 \ell'_3}^{\mathcal{R}} \left(\frac{\ell_1}{\chi}, \frac{\ell_2}{\chi}, \frac{\ell_3}{\chi}, \frac{\ell_4}{\chi} \right)$$

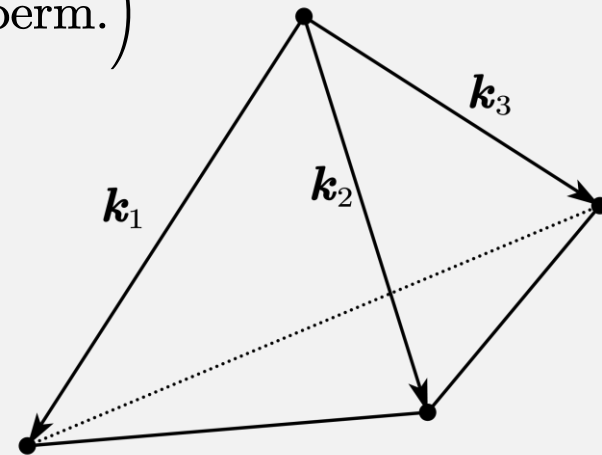
- $D(\chi)$: linear growth factor
- $\mathcal{T}_\delta \left(\frac{\ell_n}{\chi} \right)$: linear transfer function

Primordial curvature trispectrum template:

$$T_-^{\mathcal{R}}(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3, \mathbf{k}_4) \equiv [\mathbf{k}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{k}_2 \times \mathbf{k}_3)] g_- [2\pi^2 A_s]^3 \left(\frac{k_1^{-2} k_2^{-1} k_3^0 k_4^0}{k_1^3 k_2^3 k_3^3 k_4^0} \mp 23 \text{ perm.} \right)$$

Coulton et al. 2024

- keep indices position fixed
- odd permutation $\rightarrow -$
- even permutation $\rightarrow +$

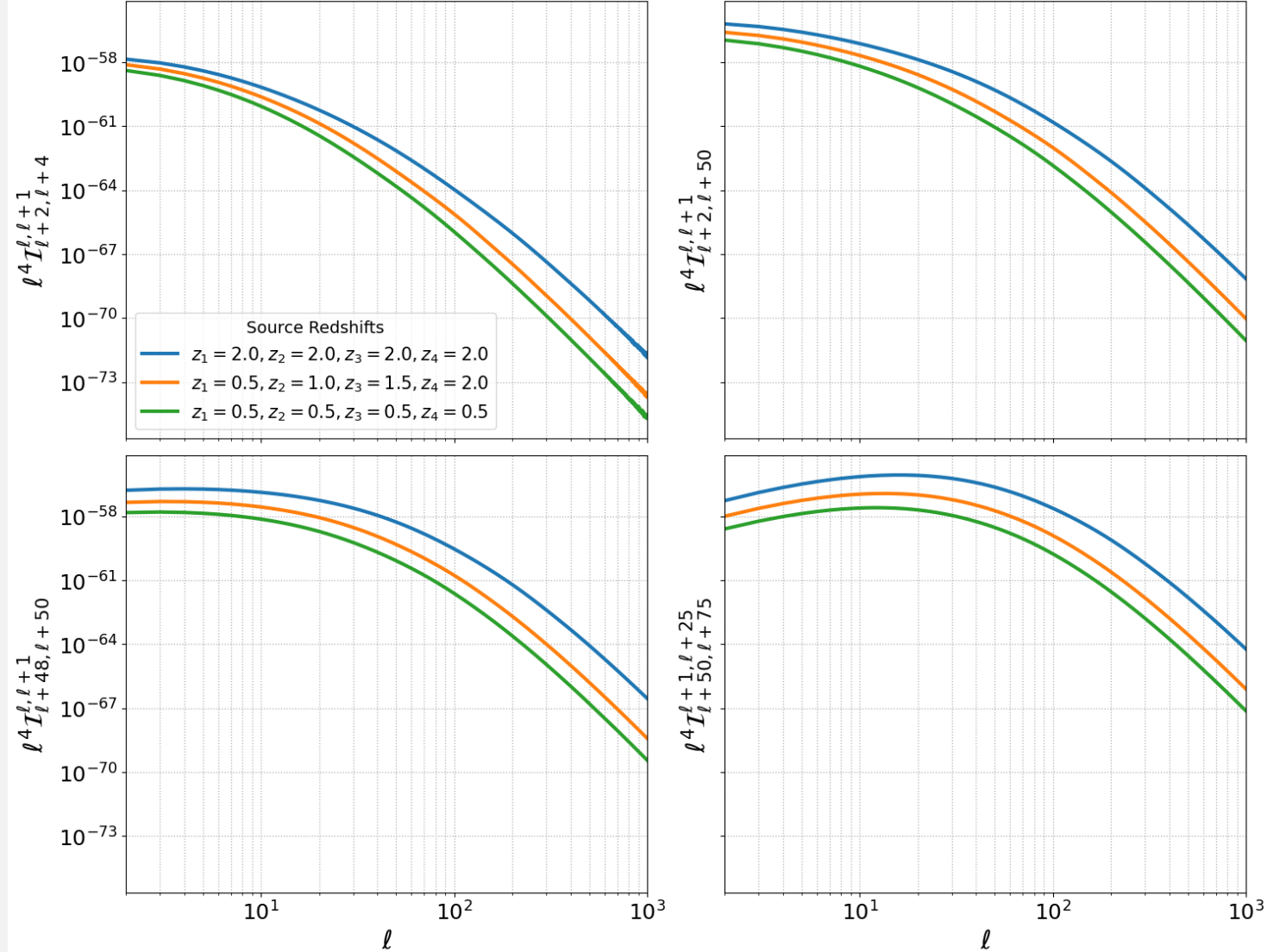


Weak lensing trispectrum projection part

- Projection part:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}_{\ell_1 \ell_2 \ell_3 \ell_4}^{\ell'_1 \ell'_2 \ell'_3} &= \left[\frac{2}{5} \frac{1}{\Omega_{m,0} H_0^2} \right]^4 \int_0^\infty \frac{d\chi}{\chi^{14}} \\ &\times \prod_{n=1}^4 \left[q_n(\chi) D(\chi) \mathcal{T}_\delta \left(\frac{\ell_n}{\chi} \right) \ell_n^2 \right] \\ &\times T_{\ell'_1 \ell'_2 \ell'_3}^{\mathcal{R}} \left(\frac{\ell_1}{\chi}, \frac{\ell_2}{\chi}, \frac{\ell_3}{\chi}, \frac{\ell_4}{\chi} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Projection Part of Trispectrum

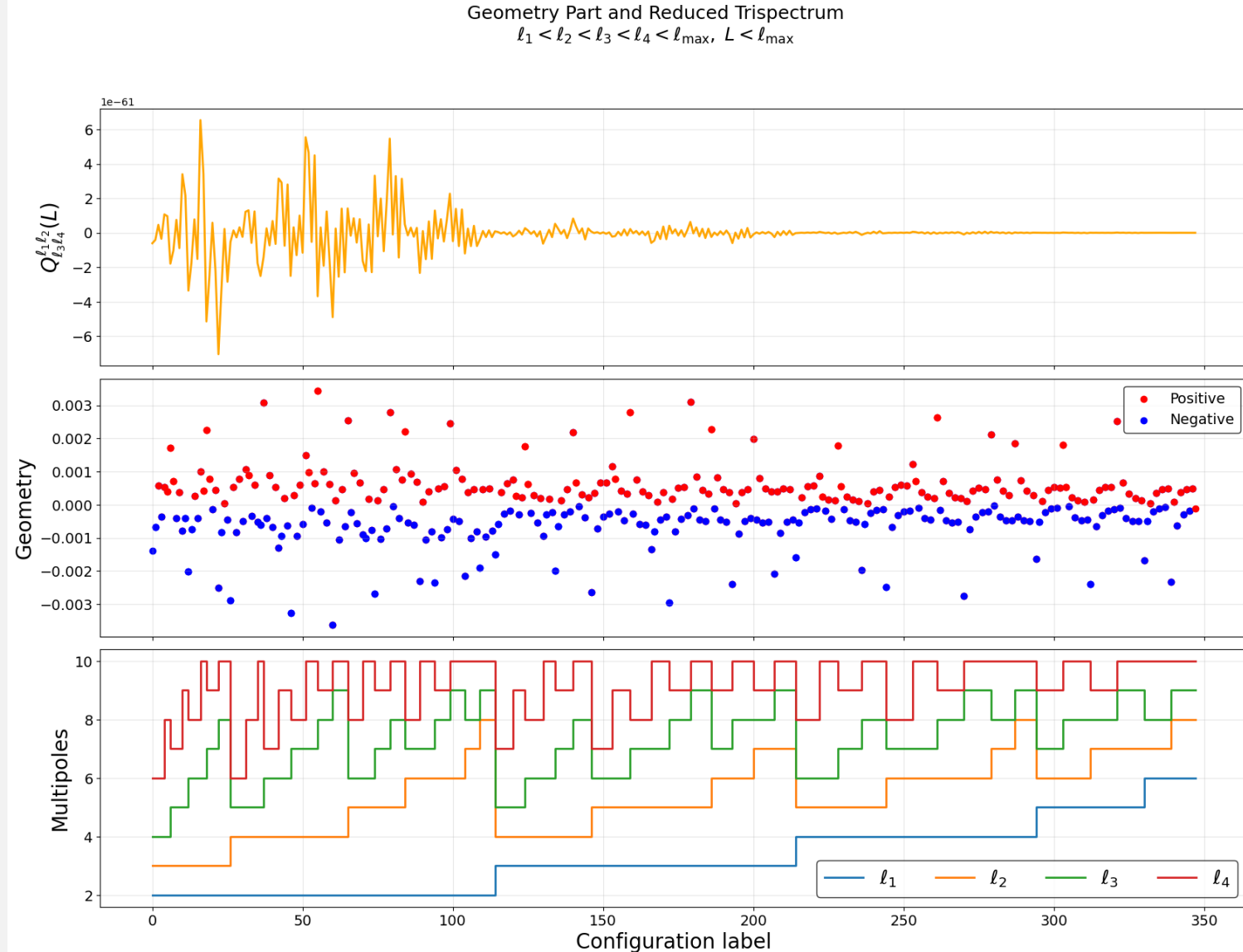


Weak lensing trispectrum geometry part

• Geometry part:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{G} = & (2L + 1) \times i^{\ell_1 + \ell_2 + \ell_3} \\ & \times \sum_{L_1 L_2 L_3} \sum_{L'} \mathcal{F}_{L_1 L_2 L'} \mathcal{F}_{L_3 \ell_4 L'} \times i^{L_1 + L_2 + L_3} \\ & \times \sum_{\ell'_1 \ell'_2 \ell'_3} \mathcal{F}_{L_1 \ell'_1 \ell_1} \mathcal{F}_{L_2 \ell'_2 \ell_2} \mathcal{F}_{L_3 \ell'_3 \ell_3} \\ & \times (-1)^{\ell'_1 + \ell'_2} \begin{Bmatrix} \ell_3 & \ell_4 & L \\ L' & \ell'_3 & L_3 \end{Bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} L & L' & \ell'_3 \\ \ell_2 & L_2 & \ell'_2 \\ \ell_1 & L_1 & \ell'_1 \end{Bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

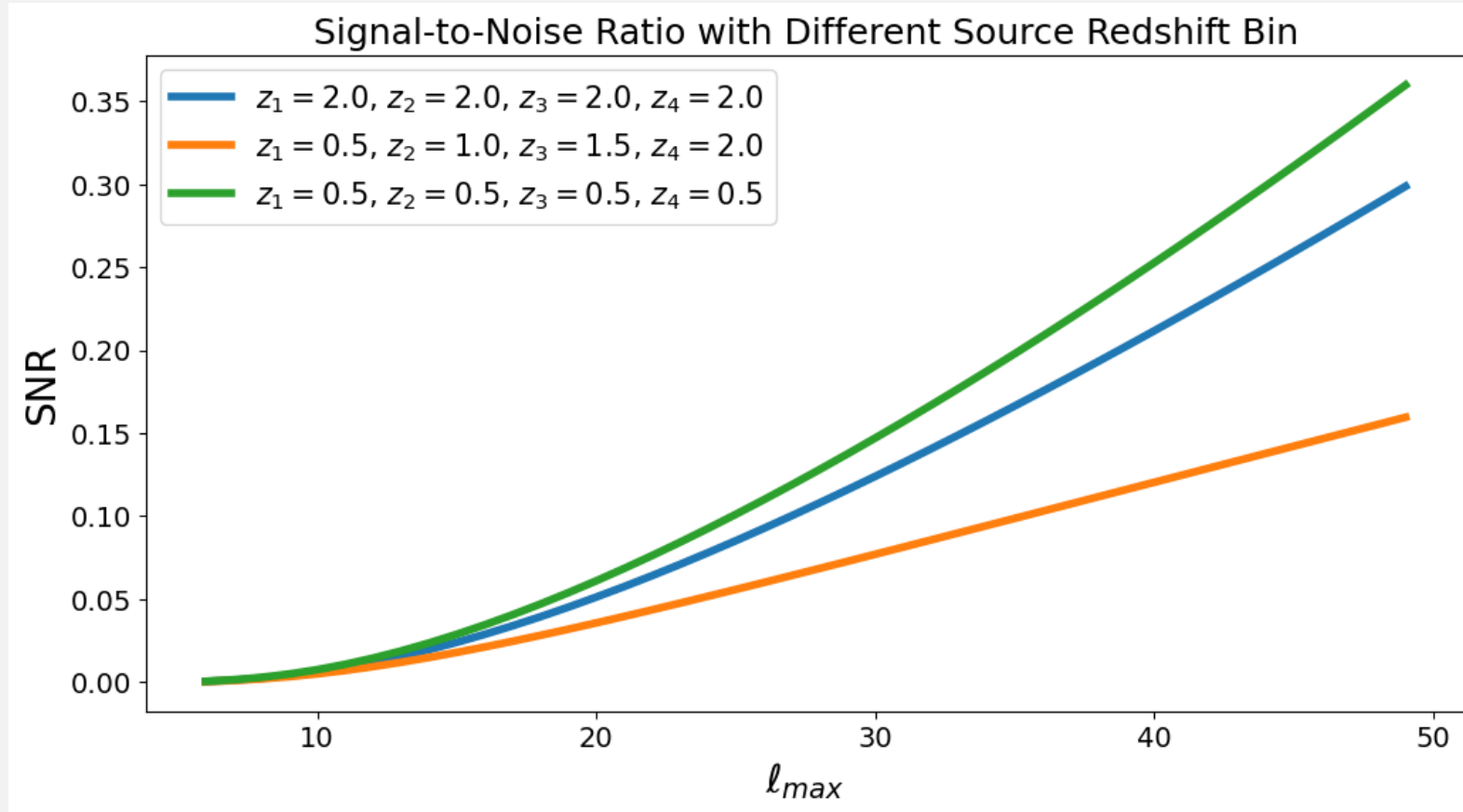
- A fix ordering $\ell_1 < \ell_2 < \ell_3 < \ell_4$
- For each set, vary L from minimum to maximum to generate configurations
- Figure shows the reduced trispectrum for each configuration



Signal-to-Noise Ratio

$$\text{SNR} \approx \sqrt{\sum_{L=2}^{\ell_{\max}} (2L+1)^{-1} \sum_{\ell_1 < \ell_2 < \ell_3 < \ell_4}^{\ell_{\max}} \frac{|Q_{\ell_3 \ell_4}^{\ell_1 \ell_2}(L)|^2}{C_{\ell_1} C_{\ell_2} C_{\ell_3} C_{\ell_4}}}$$

- SNR computed with multipole summation cut as ℓ_{\max}
- ℓ_{\max} is the maximum of different combinations of $\{\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3, \ell_4, L\}$.



Summary



- We applied a toy model primordial curvature parity-odd trispectrum, evolved with linear growth factor and transfer functions and then projected, to obtain the weak lensing trispectrum.
- We estimated its signal-to-noise ratio, suggesting that weak lensing may provide a complementary probe of parity-odd information at late times.