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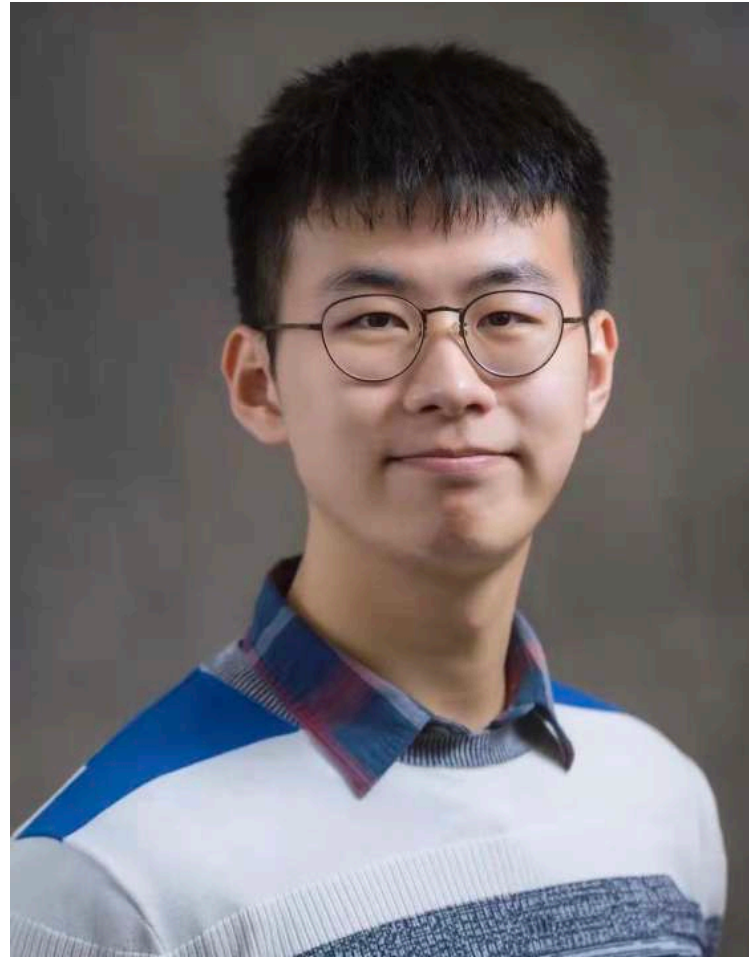
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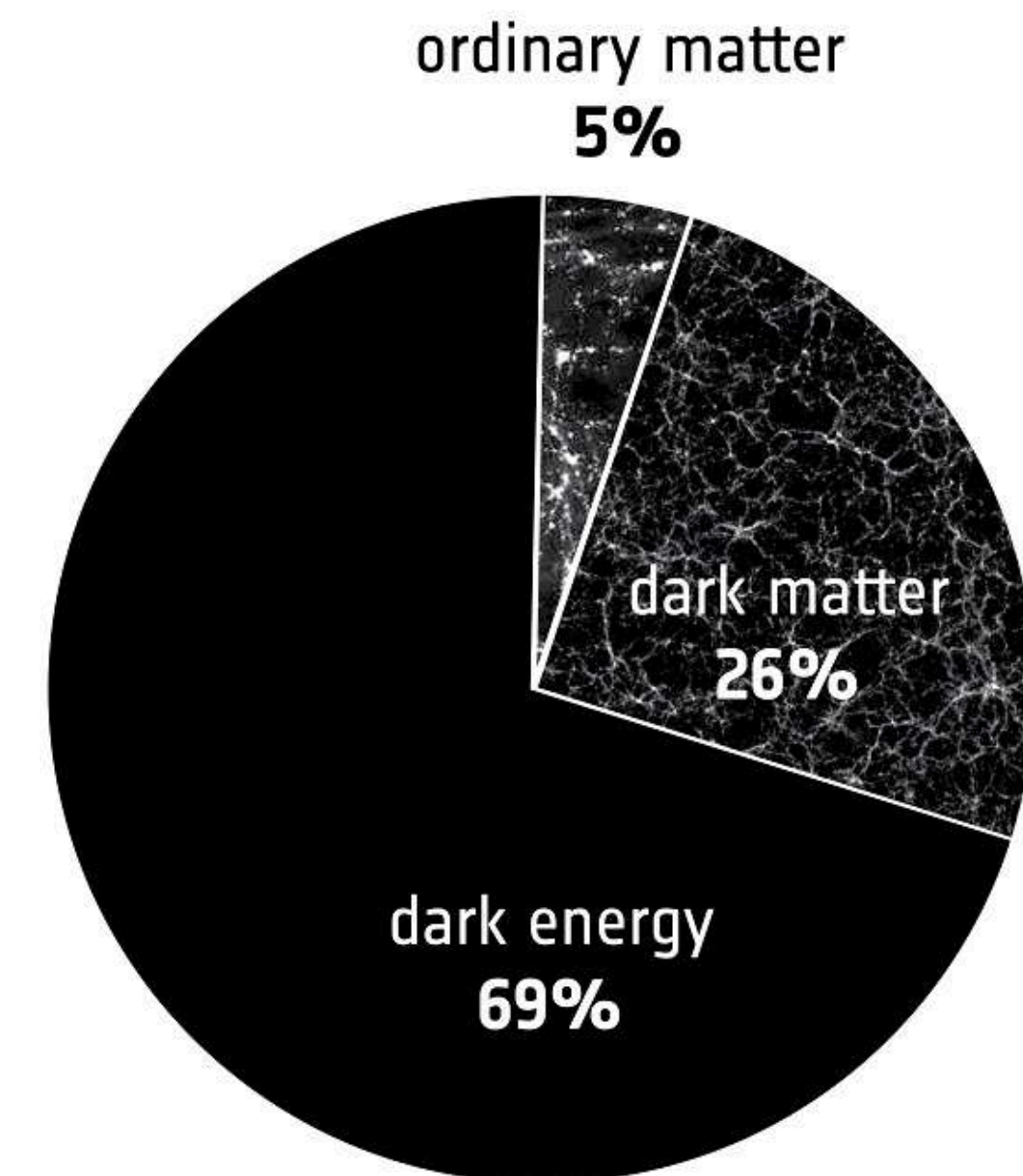
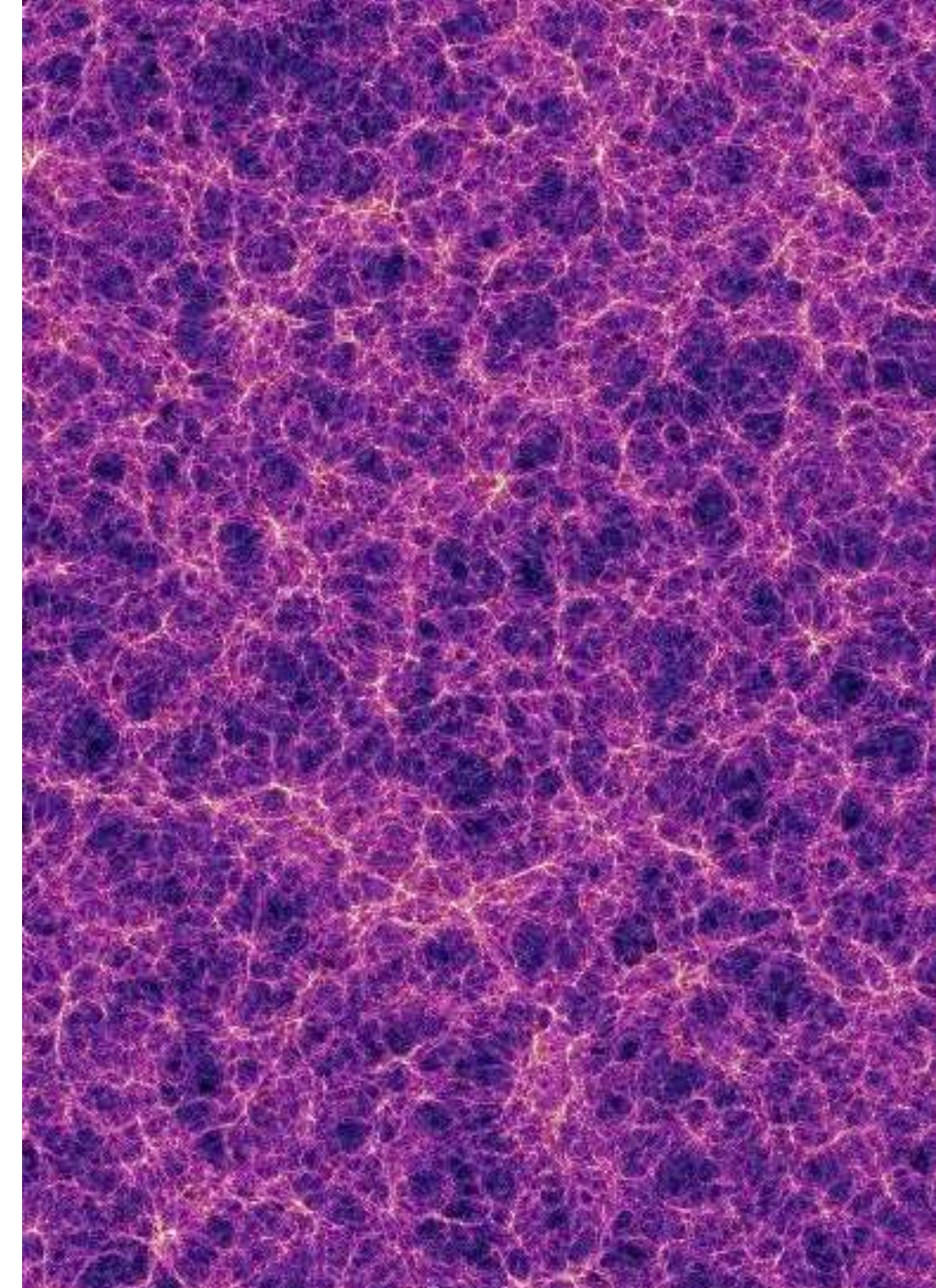
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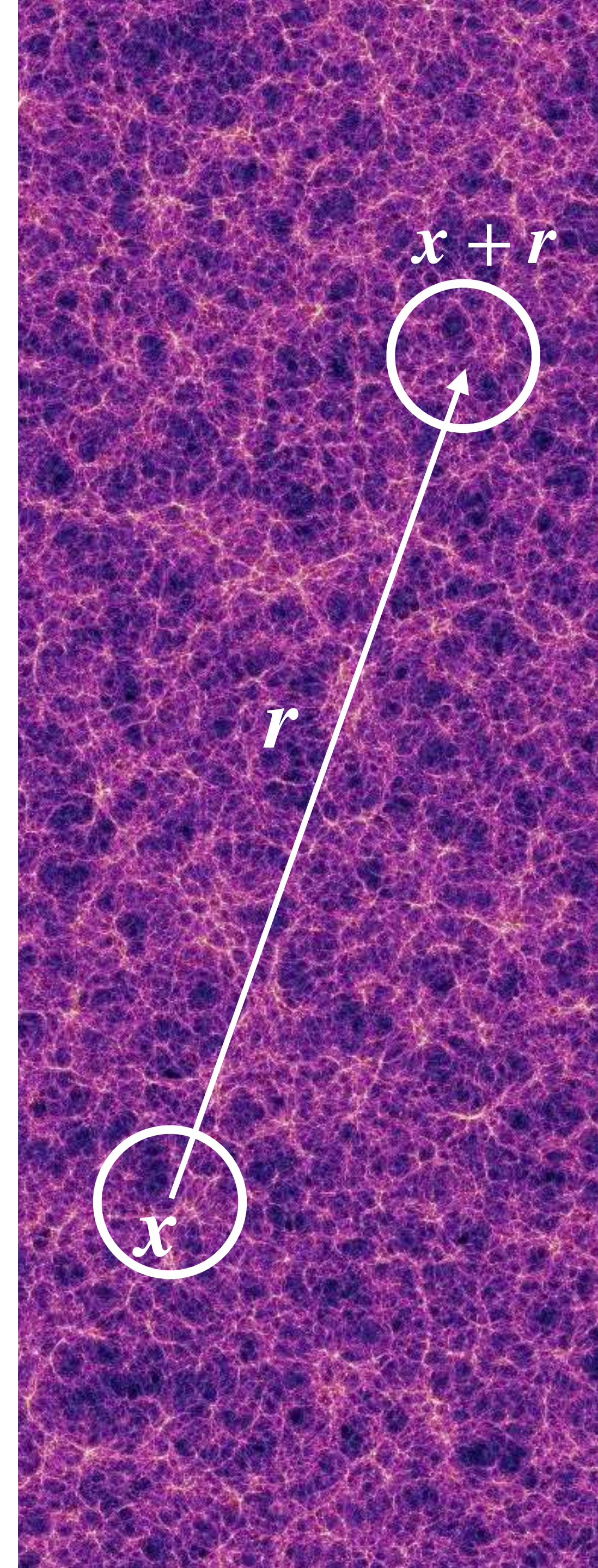
Large-scale structure (LSS) in a nutshell

- Galaxies (matter) are not distributed randomly
- LSS can help understand fundamental questions in cosmology!
 - **Inflation**
How does the universe begin?
 - **Dark matter**
Structure growth
 - **Dark energy**
Accelerating Expansion
 - **Gravity**
Is General Relativity valid on cosmological scales?



Two-point correlation function (Power Spectrum)

- Main observable: density contrast $\delta(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \rho(\mathbf{x})/\bar{\rho} - 1$
- Two-point correlation function
 - $\xi(r) = \langle \delta(\mathbf{x})\delta(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{r}) \rangle_{\mathbf{x}}$ (in configuration space)
 - $P(k) = \frac{1}{V} \langle \delta(\mathbf{k})\delta(-\mathbf{k}) \rangle_{\mathbf{k}}$ (in Fourier space)
- Two ways to model power spectrum
N-body simulation or Cosmological Perturbation Theory



Standard (Eulerian) Perturbation Theory

Mass conservation Law $\dot{\delta} + \nabla \cdot [(1 + \delta)\mathbf{v}] = 0$

Euler's equation $\dot{\mathbf{v}} + (\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{v} + \frac{\dot{a}}{a}\mathbf{v} = -\nabla\phi$

Poisson's equation $\nabla^2\phi = 4\pi G\bar{\rho}_m a^2\delta$

Solve the equations **perturbatively**



$$\delta(\mathbf{k}, z) = \sum_n \delta_n(\mathbf{k}) D^n(z) = \delta_1(\mathbf{k}) D(z) + \delta_2(\mathbf{k}) D^2(z) + \delta_3(\mathbf{k}) D^3(z) + \dots$$

$$\delta_n(\mathbf{k}) = \int_{\mathbf{k}_1, \dots, \mathbf{k}_n} (2\pi)^3 \delta^D(\mathbf{k}_1 + \dots + \mathbf{k}_n - \mathbf{k}) F_n(\mathbf{k}_1, \dots, \mathbf{k}_n) \delta_1(\mathbf{k}_1) \delta_1(\mathbf{k}_2) \dots \delta_1(\mathbf{k}_n)$$

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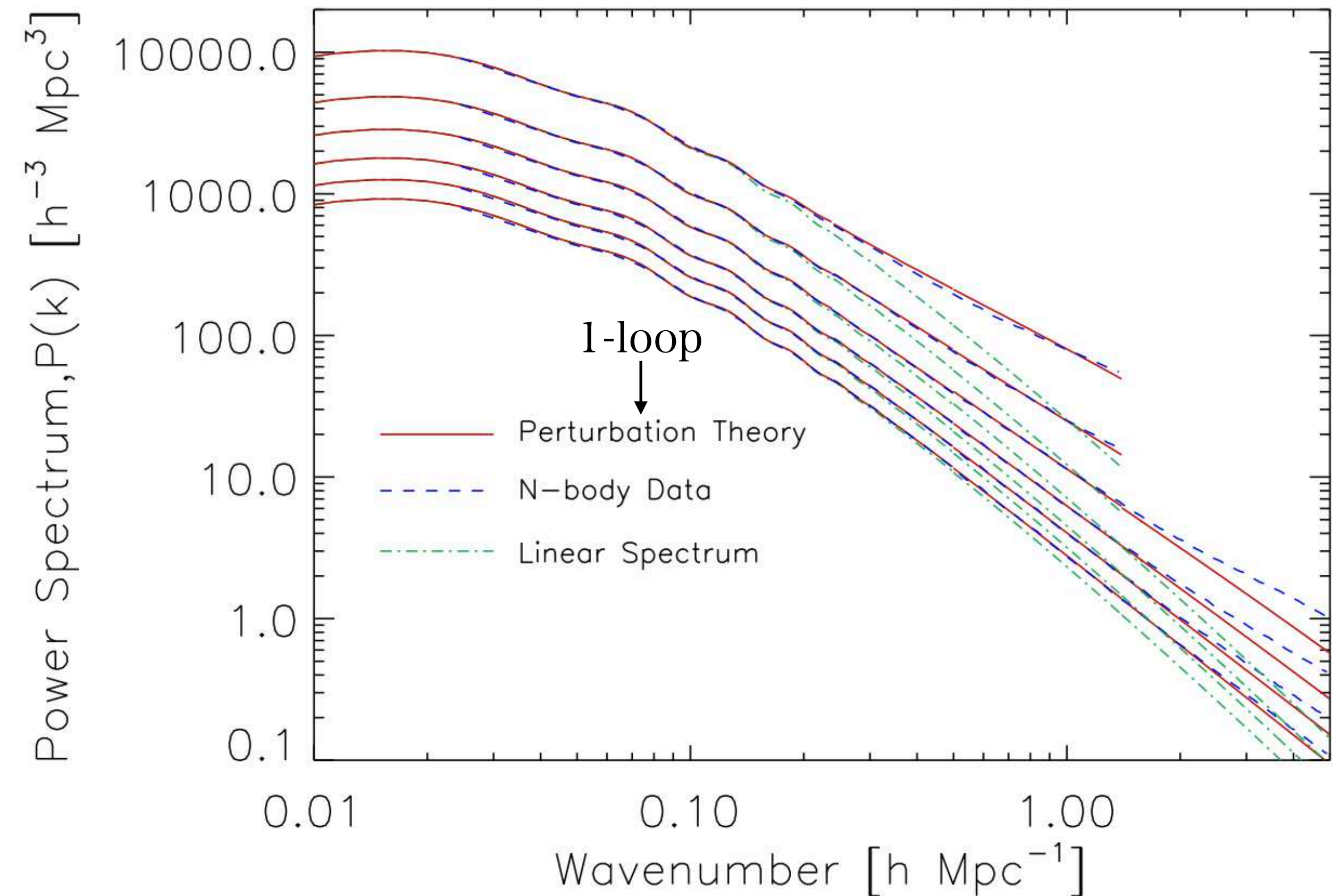
$$P_{nm}(k) = \left\langle \delta^{(n)}(\mathbf{k}) \delta^{(m)}(-\mathbf{k}) \right\rangle$$

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(order-by-order calculation of power spectrum):

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Credit: Jeong & Komatsu (2006)

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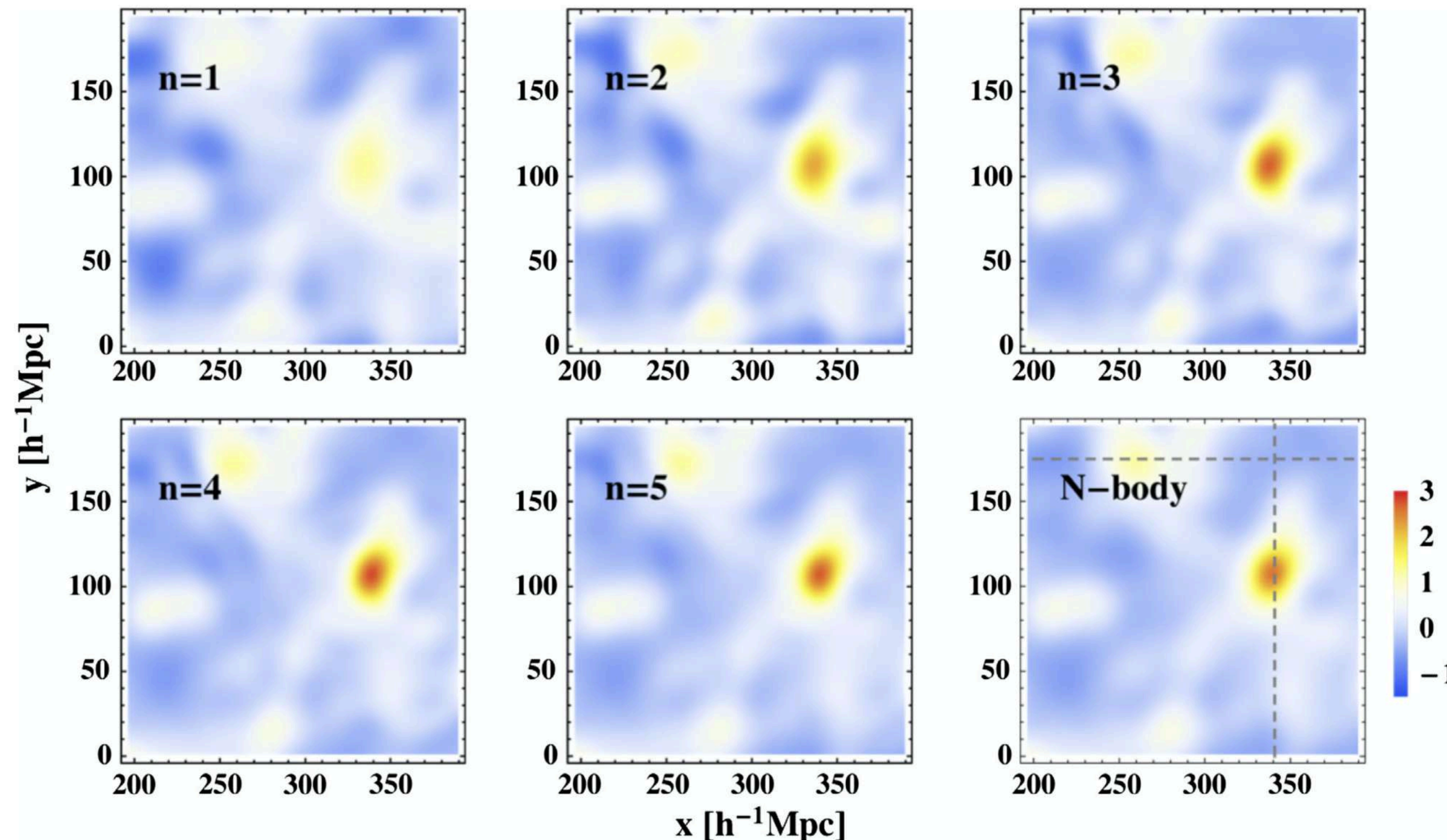
$$\begin{aligned} P_{5\text{EPT}} = & P_{11} \\ & + 2P_{12} + P_{22} \\ & + 2P_{13} + 2P_{23} + P_{33} \\ & + 2P_{14} + 2P_{24} + 2P_{34} + P_{44} \\ & + 2P_{15} + 2P_{25} + 2P_{35} + 2P_{45} + P_{55} \end{aligned}$$

Grid-based calculation of Standard Perturbation Theory (**GridSPT**)

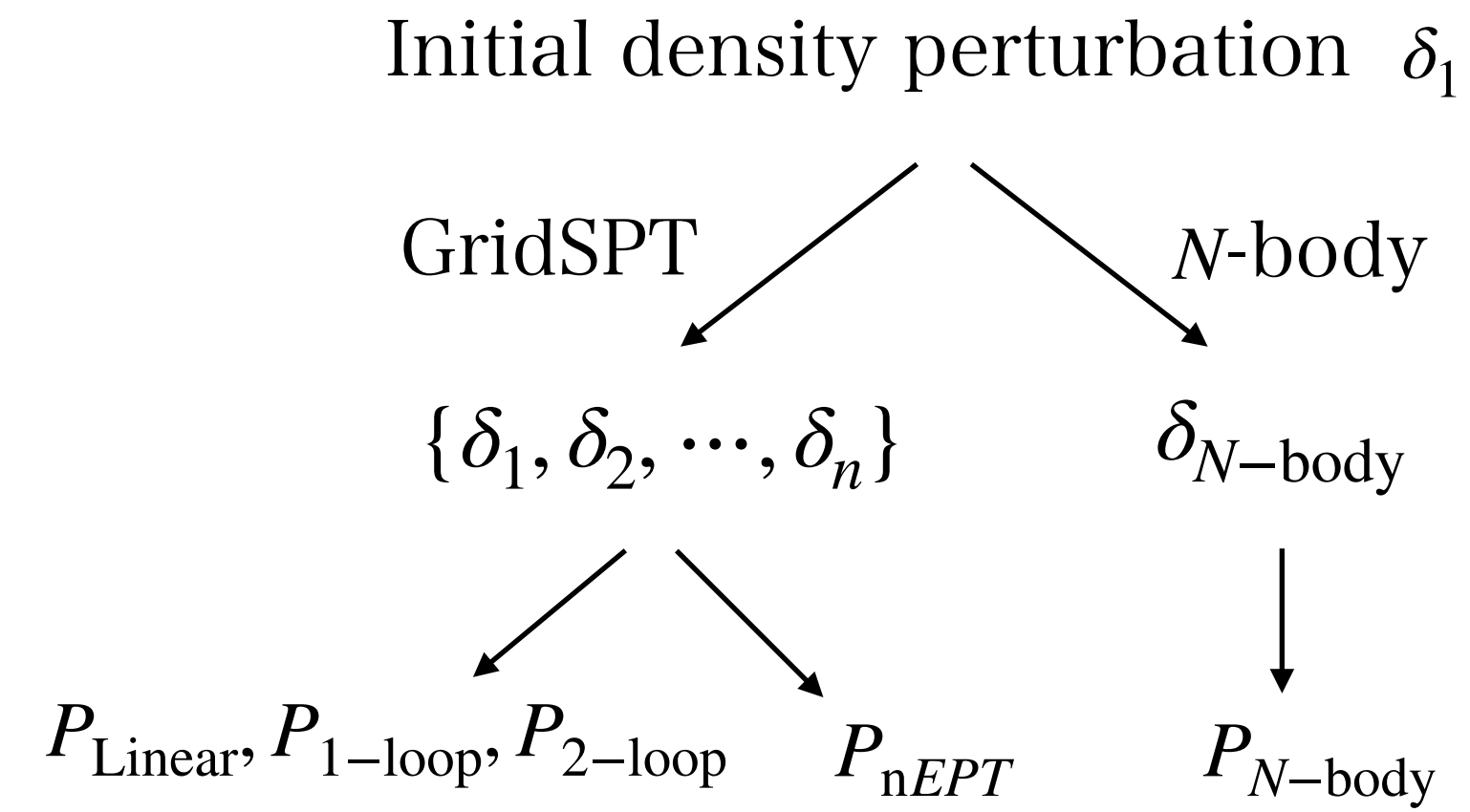
- The recursion relation for the n -th order density perturbation and velocity

∇ is ik in Fourier space!

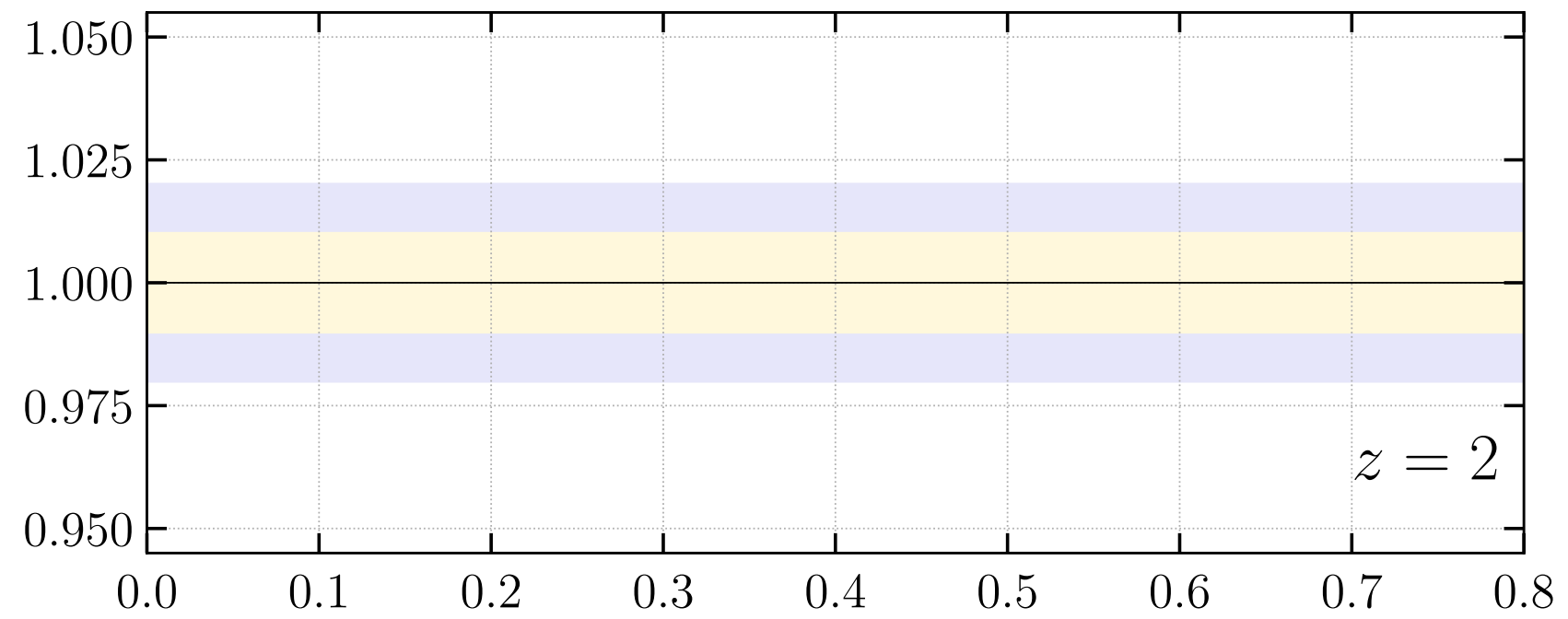
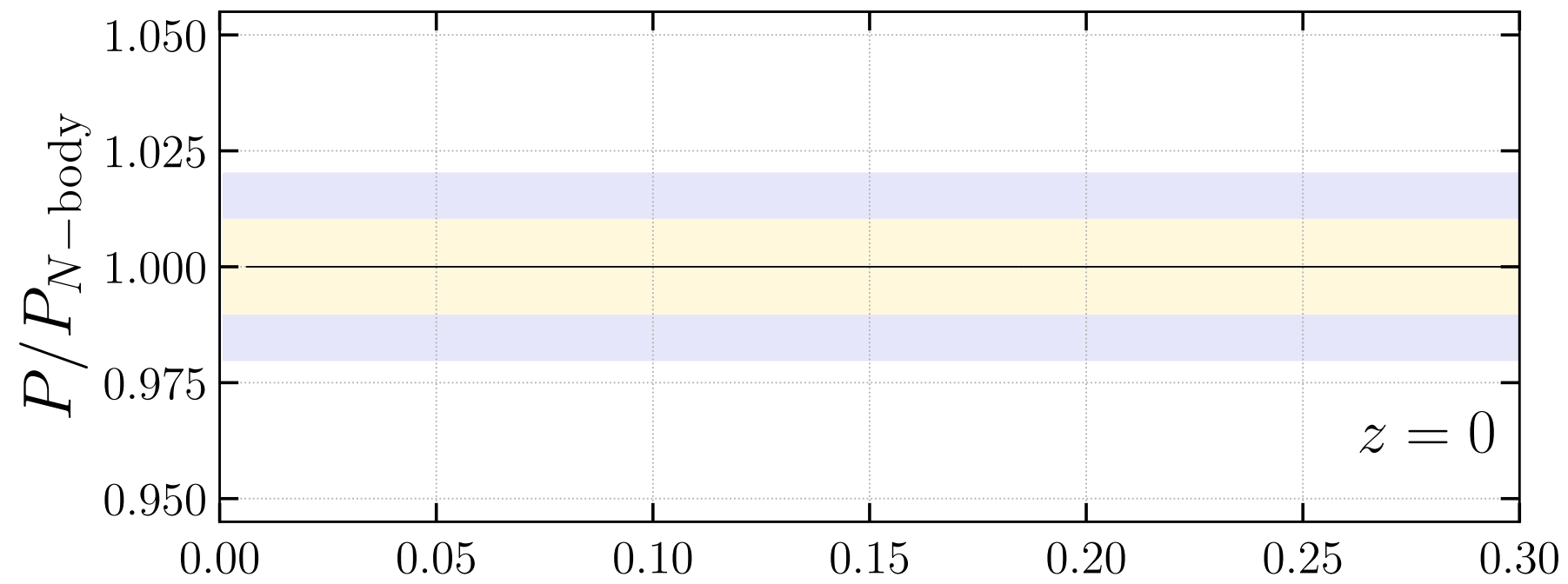
$$\begin{pmatrix} \delta_n(\mathbf{x}) \\ \theta_n(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} = \frac{2}{(2n+3)(n-1)} \begin{pmatrix} n + \frac{1}{2} & 1 \\ \frac{3}{2} & n \end{pmatrix} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \begin{pmatrix} (\nabla \delta_m) \cdot \mathbf{u}_{n-m} + \delta_m \theta_{n-m} \\ [\partial_j(\mathbf{u}_m)_k][\partial_k(\mathbf{u}_{n-m})_j] + \mathbf{u}_m \cdot (\nabla \theta_{n-m}) \end{pmatrix}$$



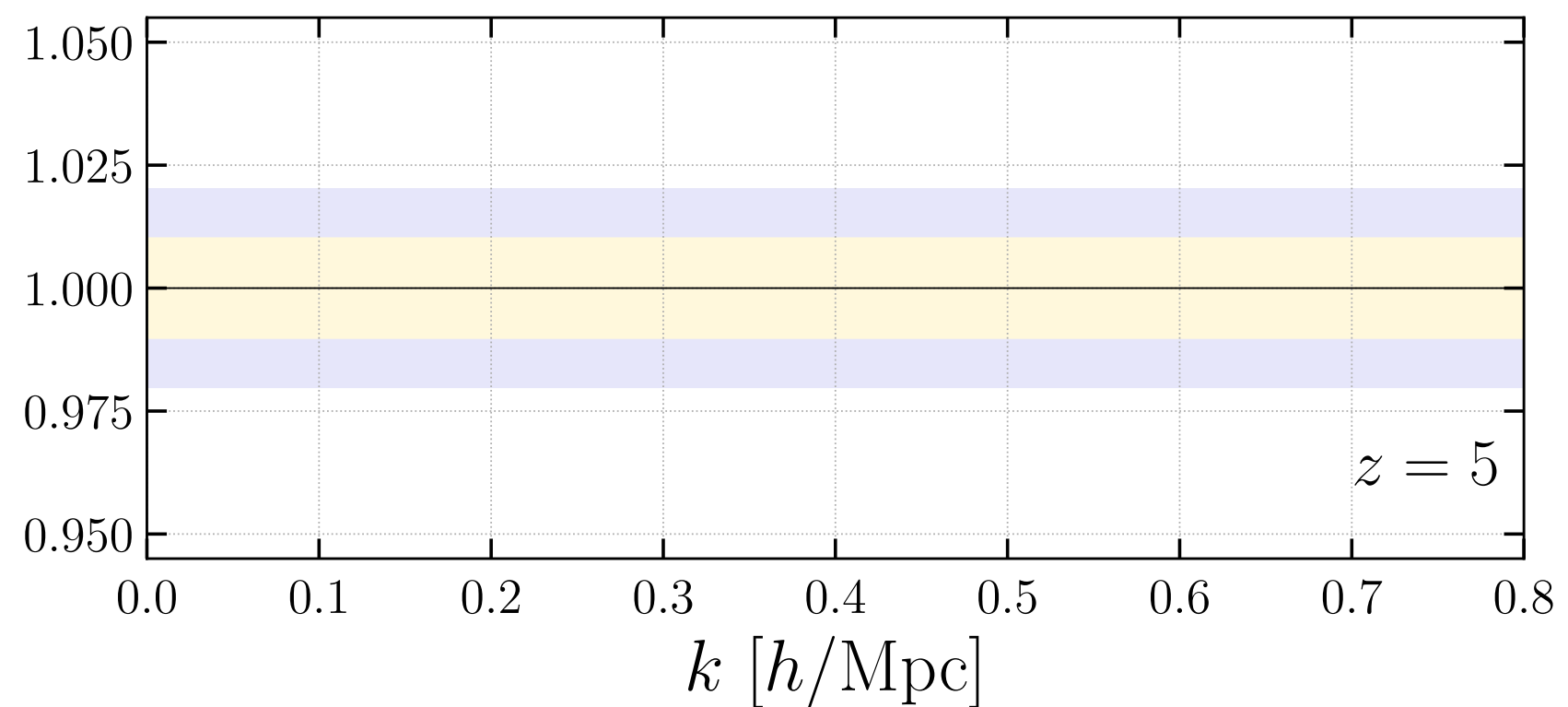
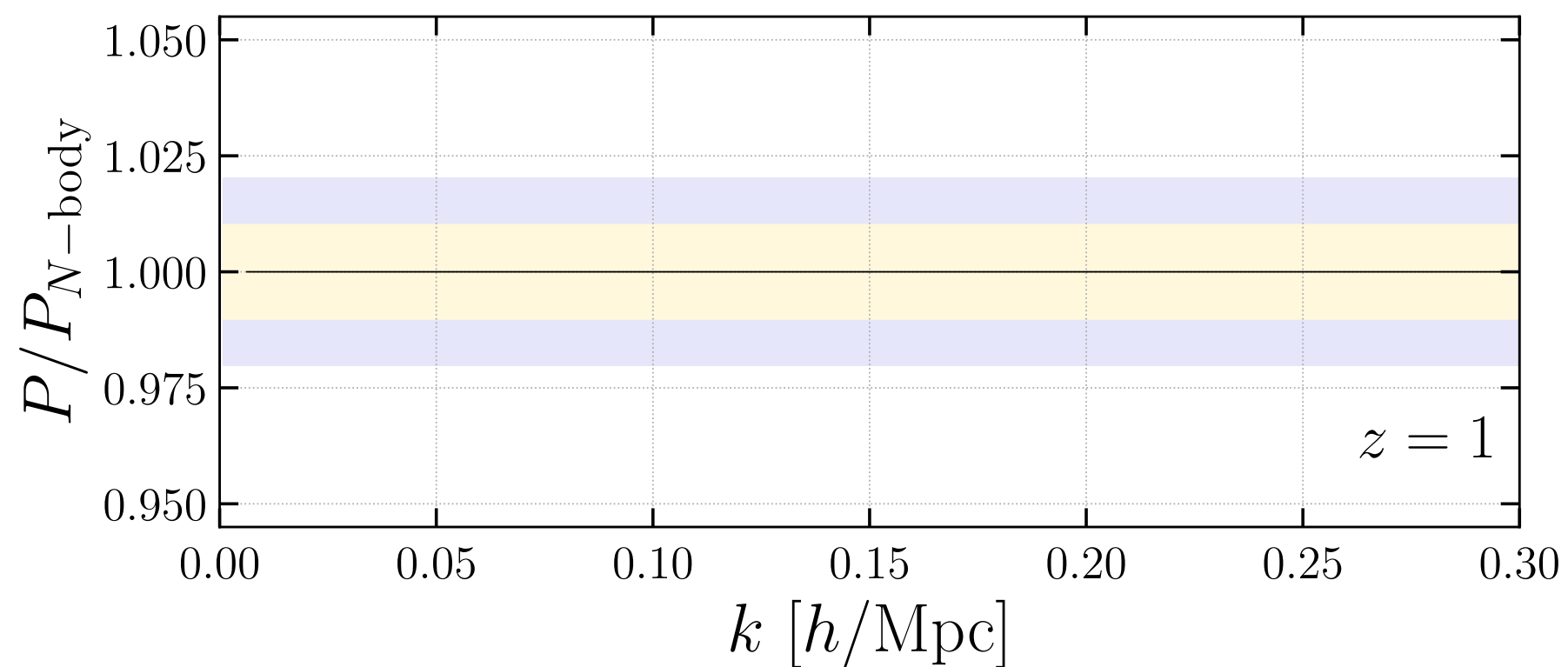
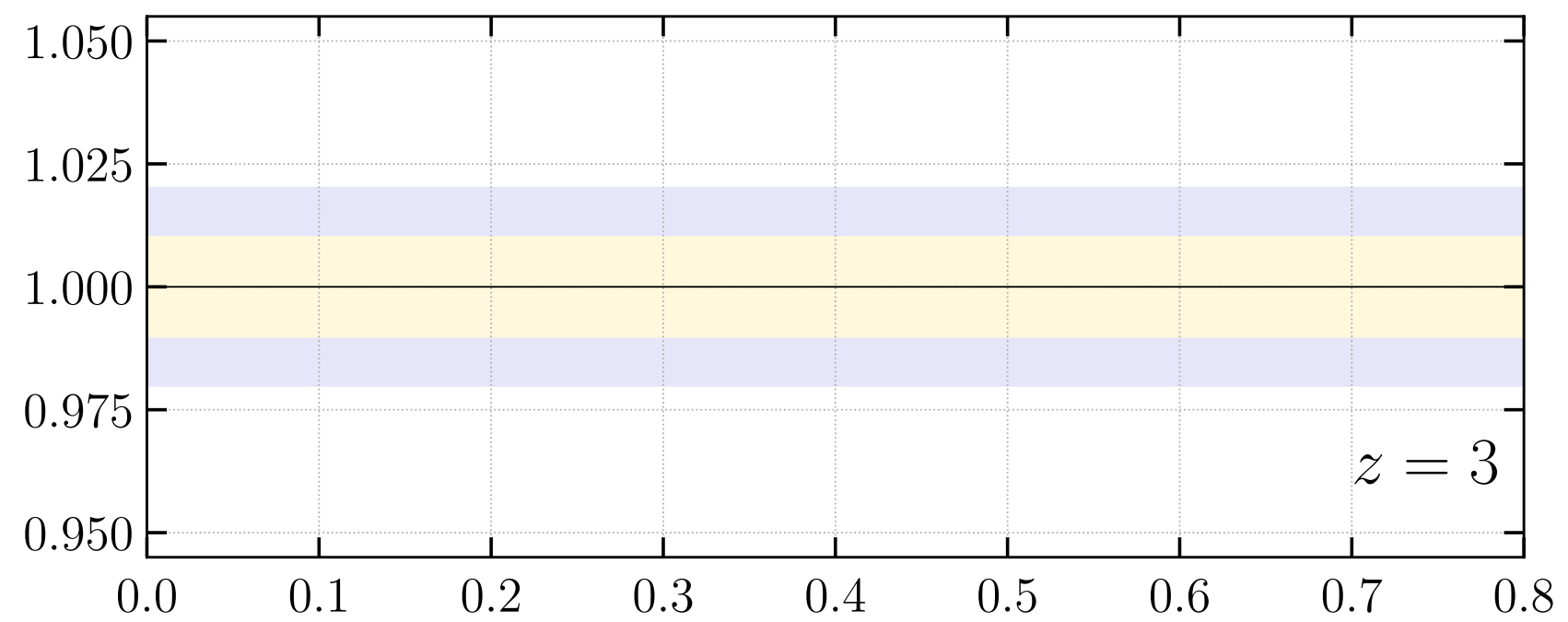
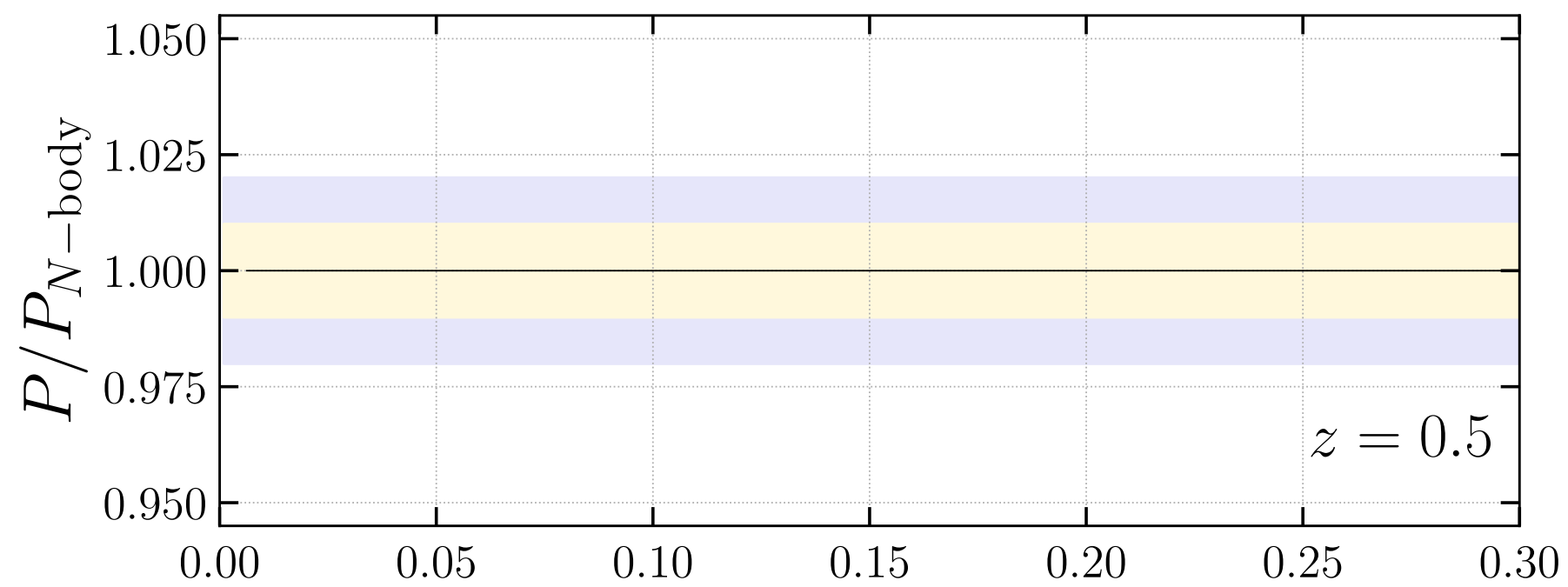
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$\theta \equiv \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}$	divergence of velocity



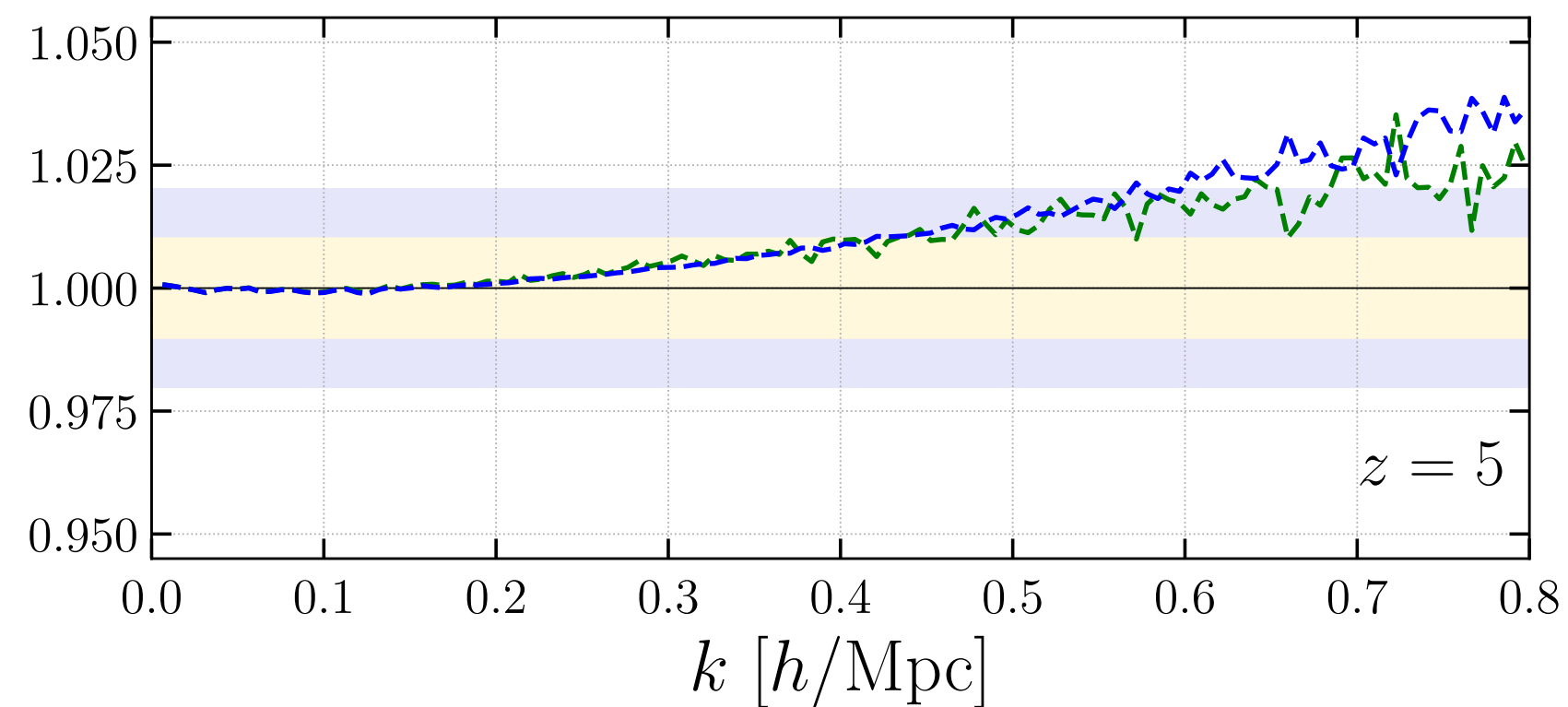
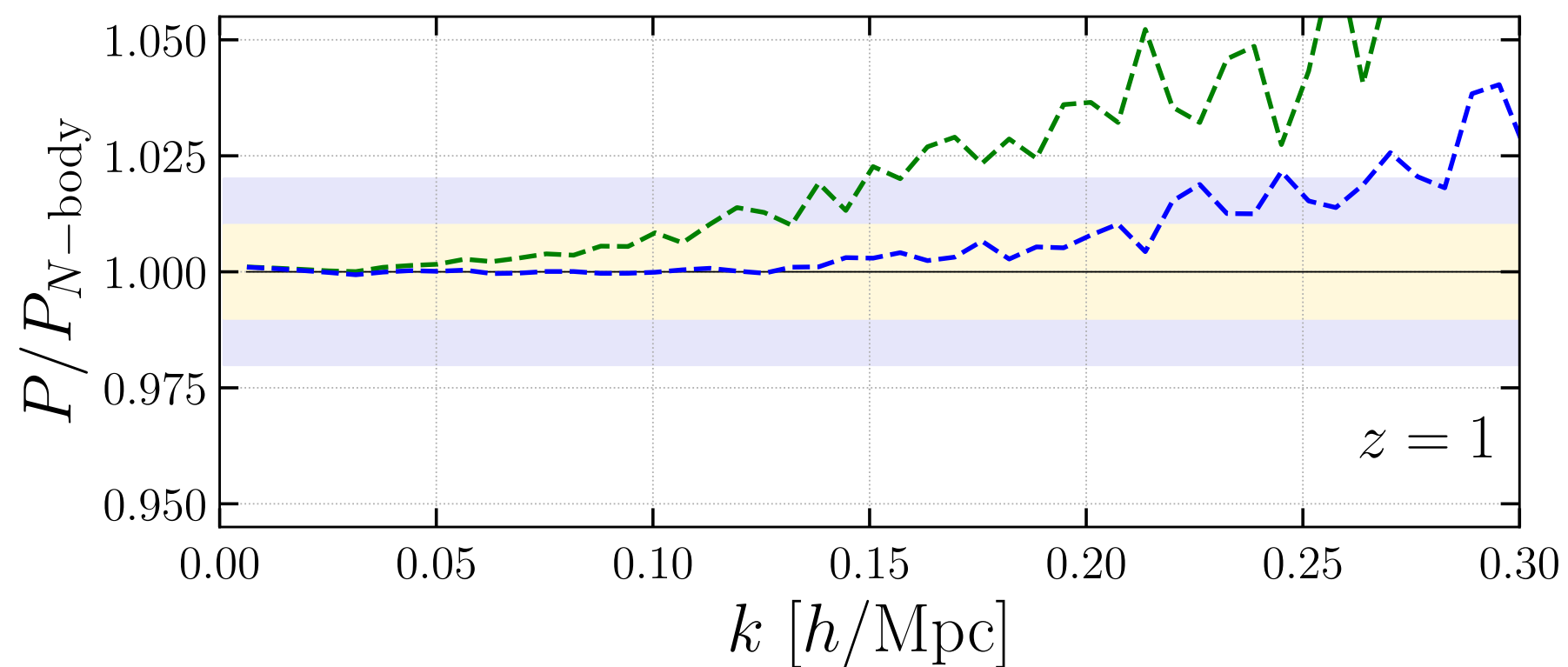
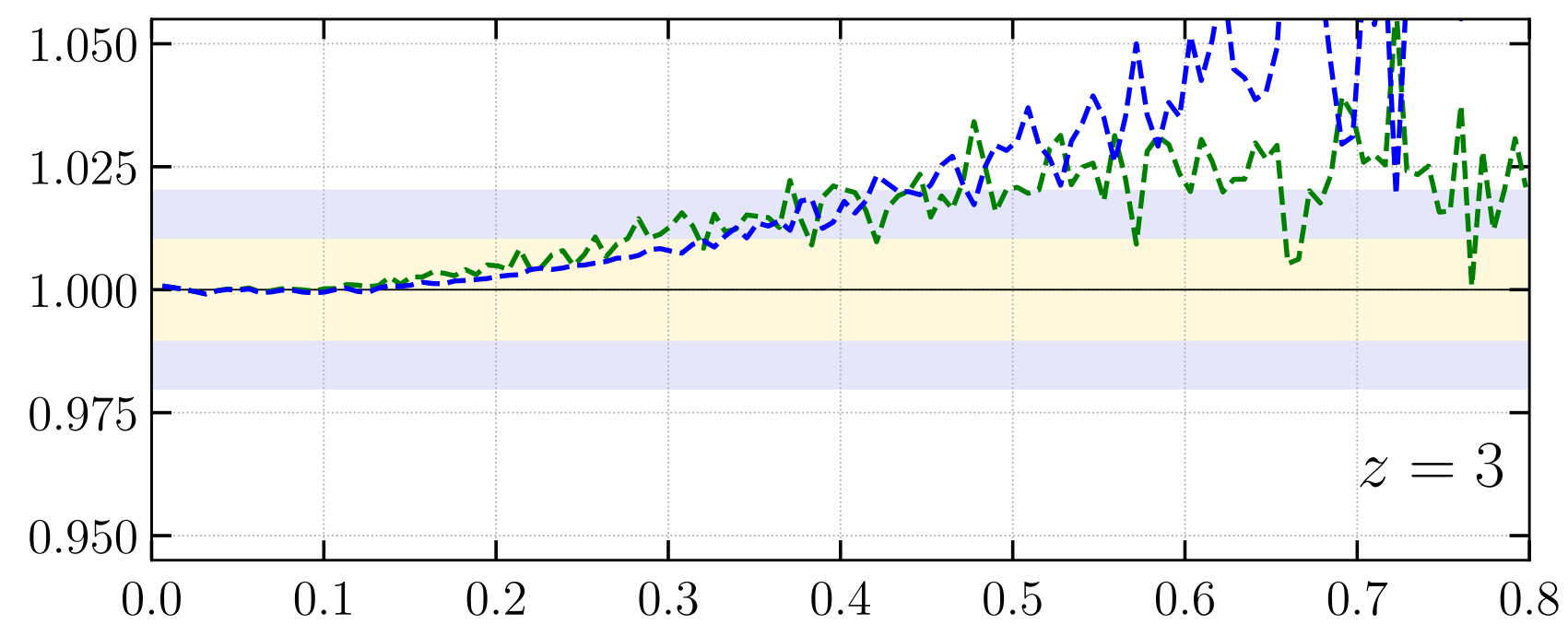
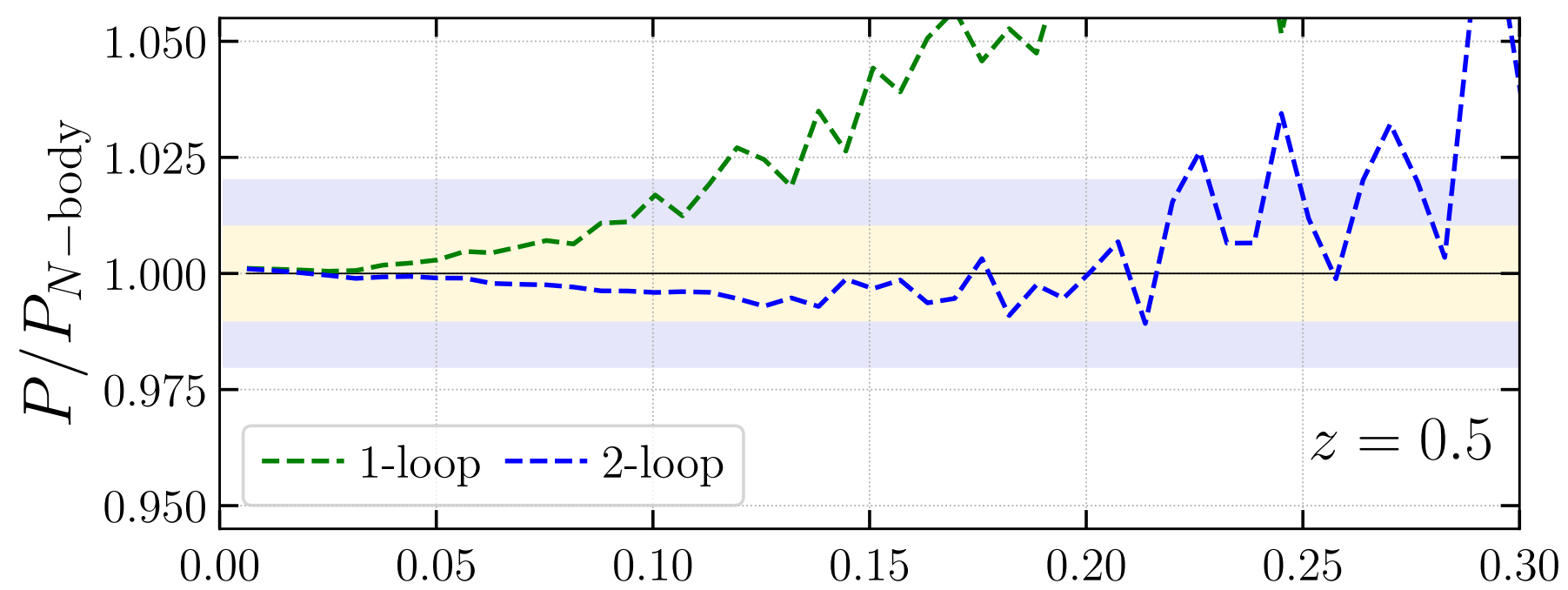
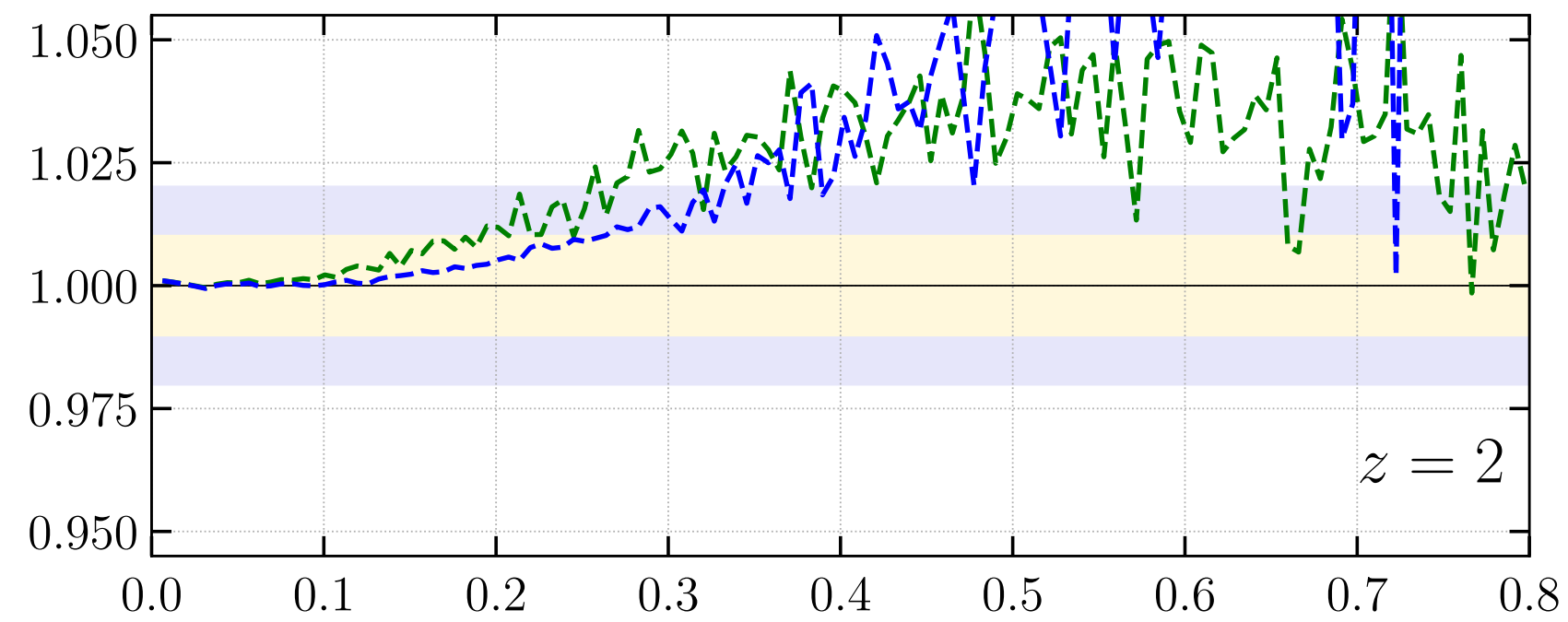
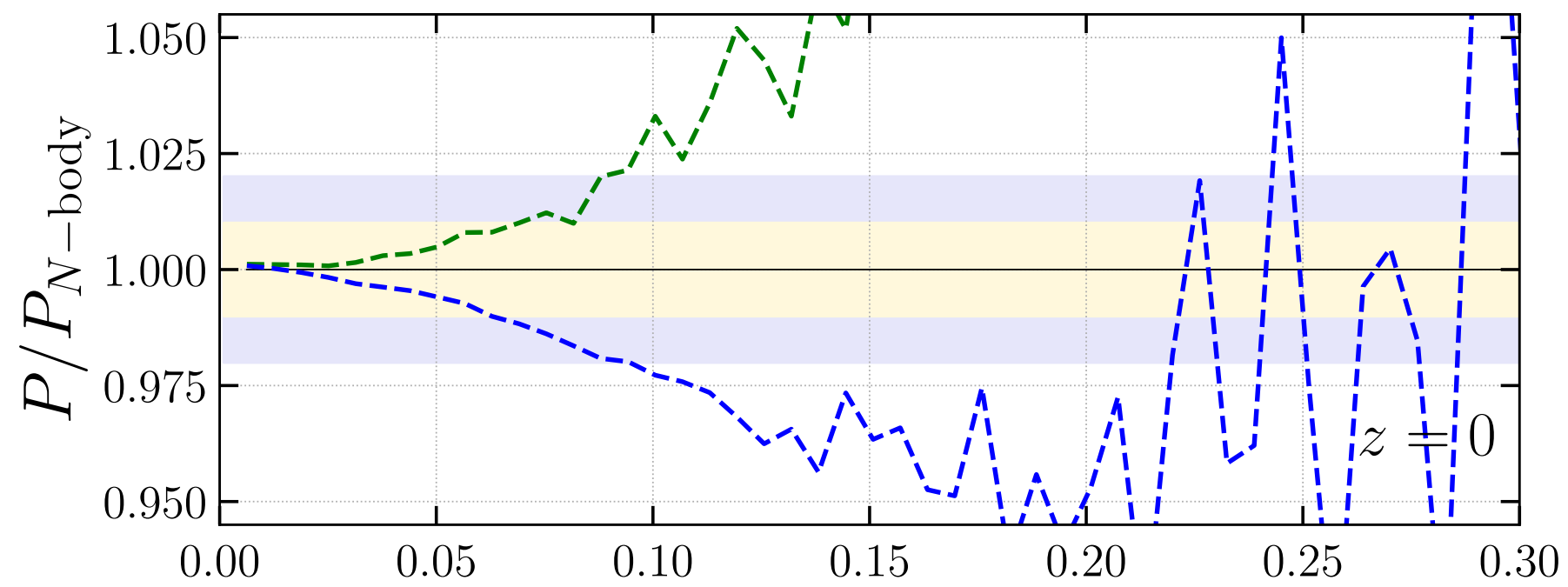
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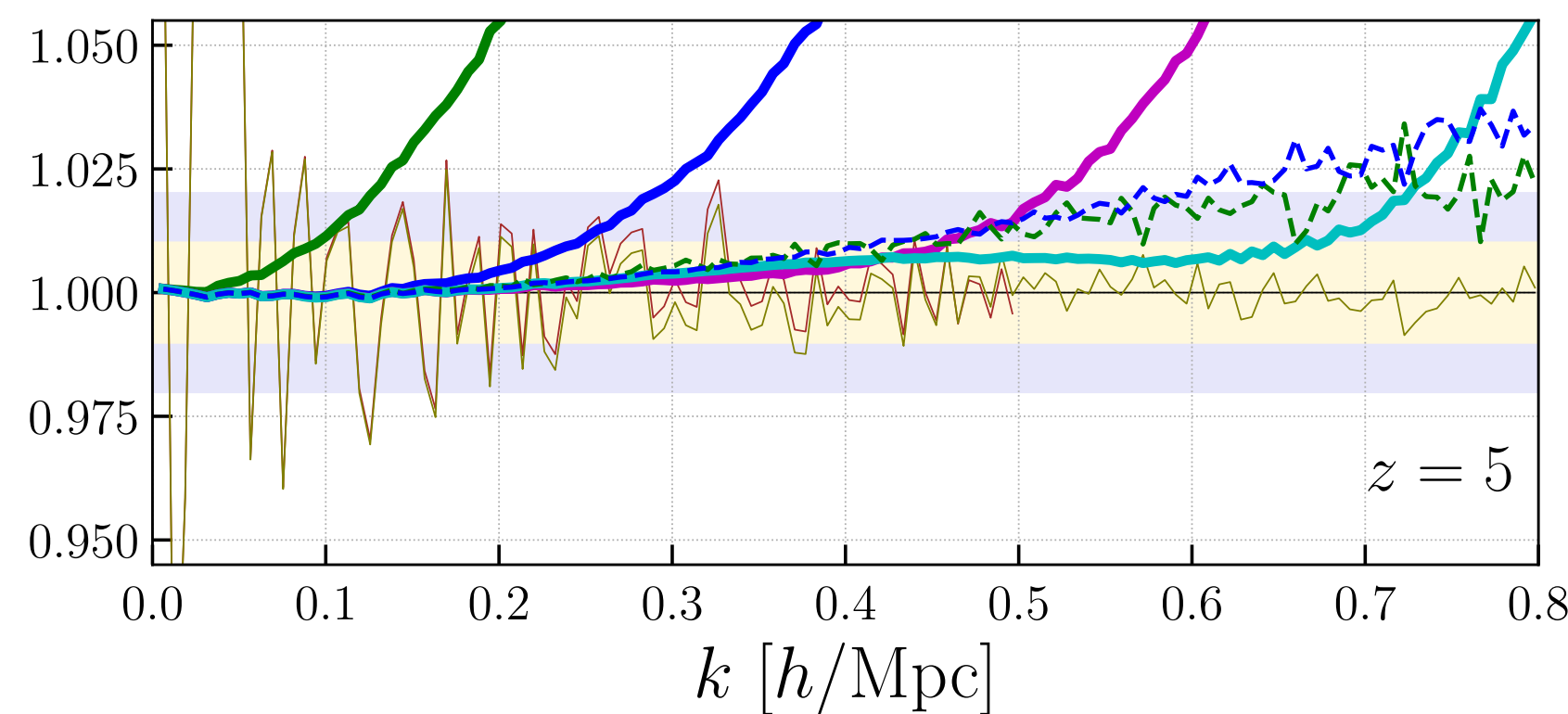
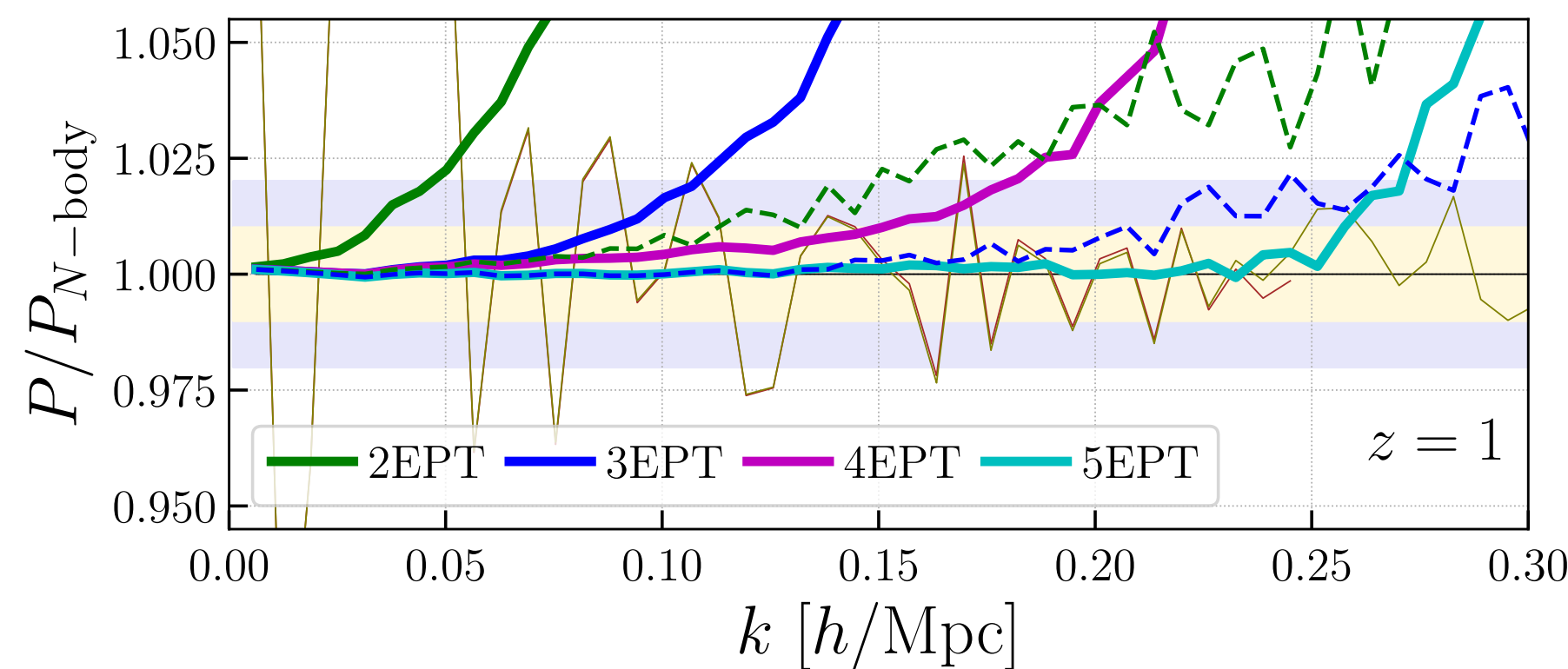
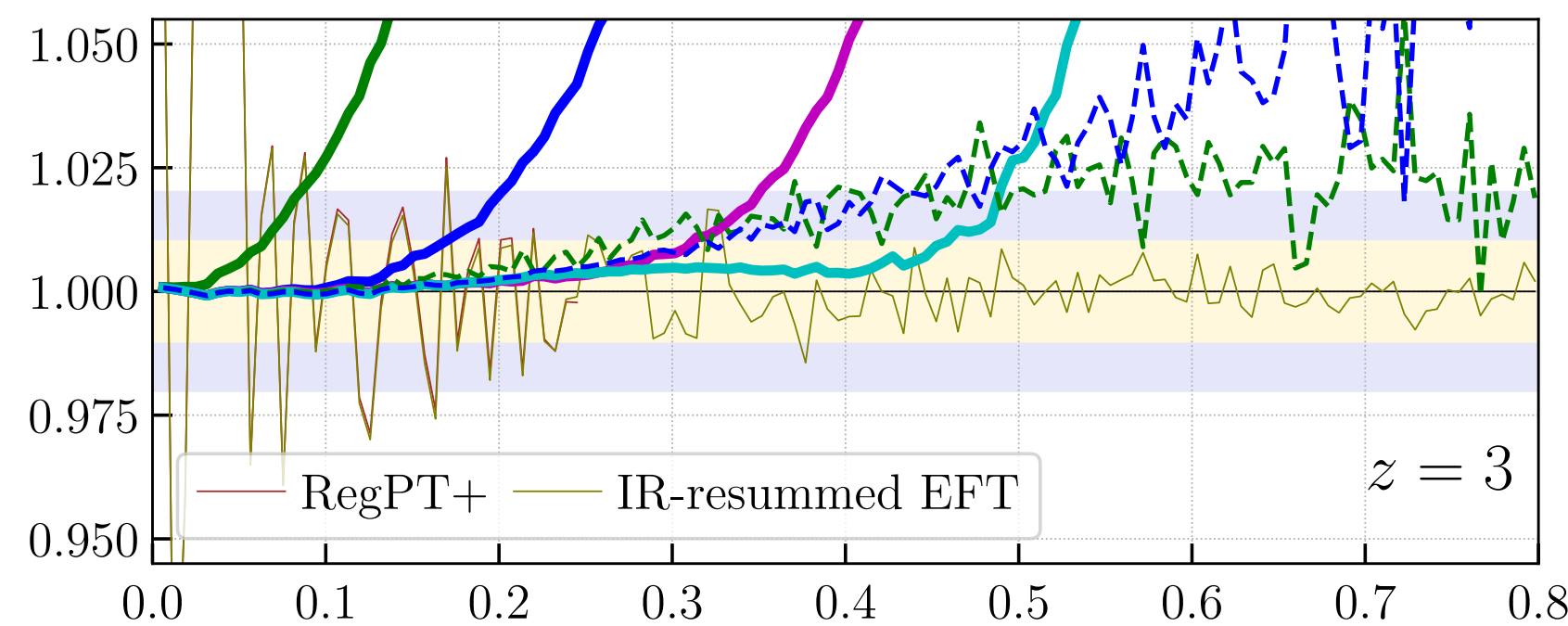
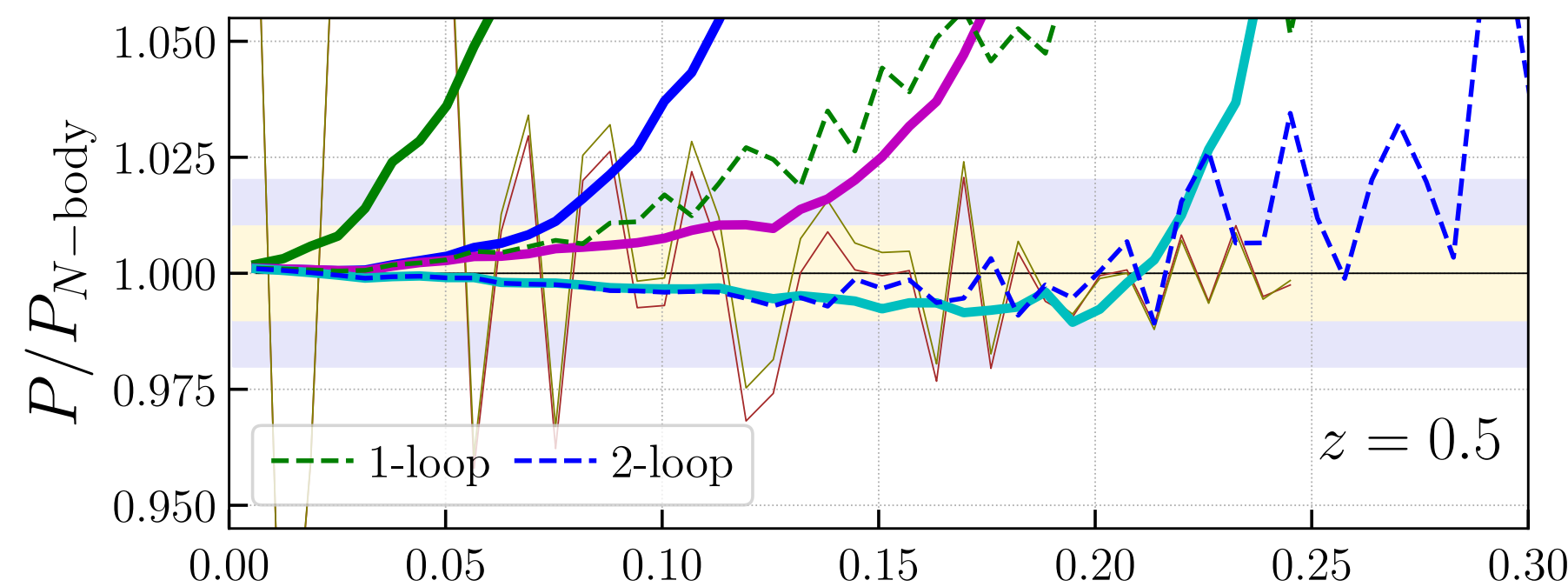
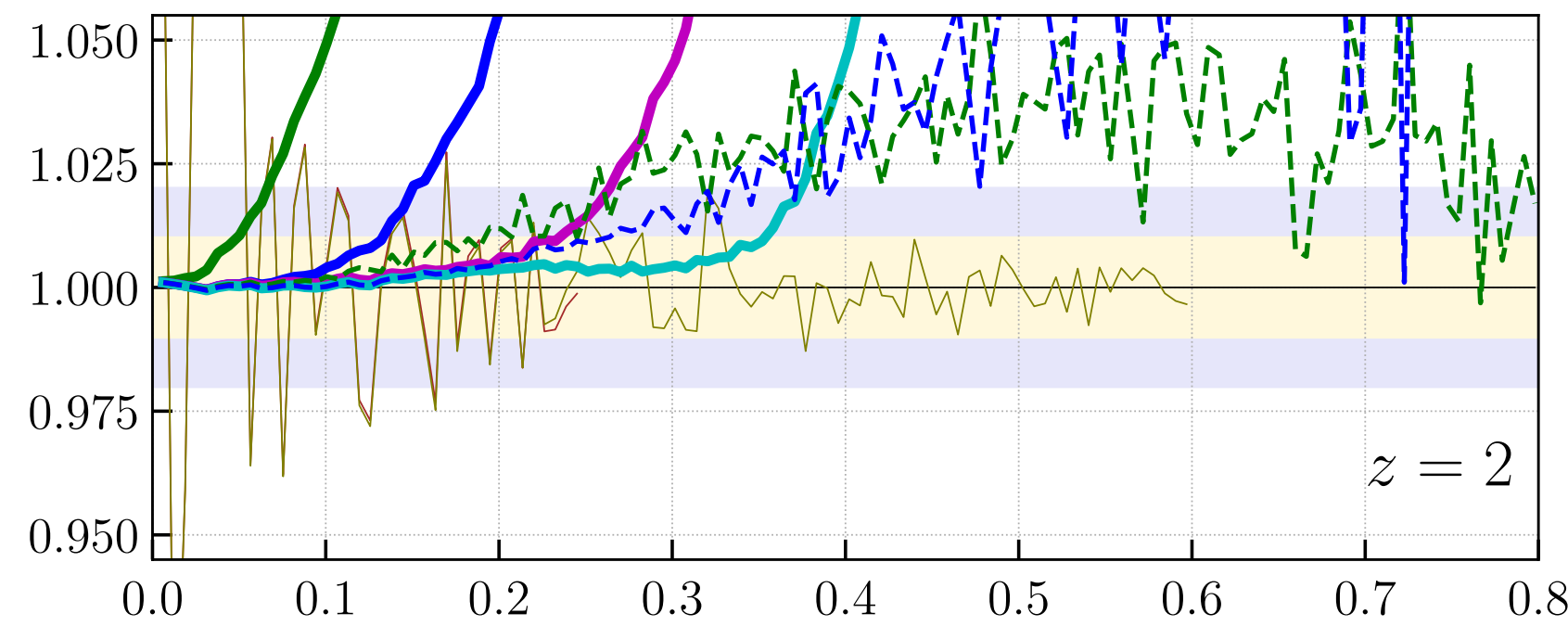
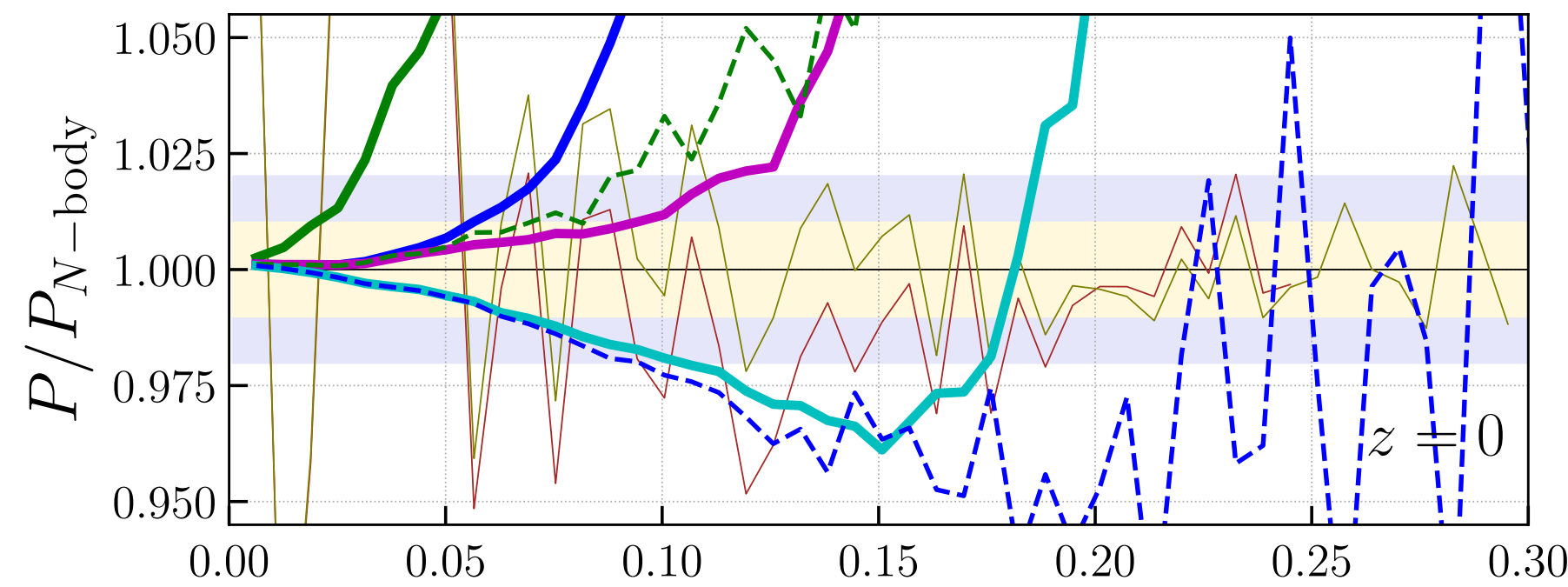
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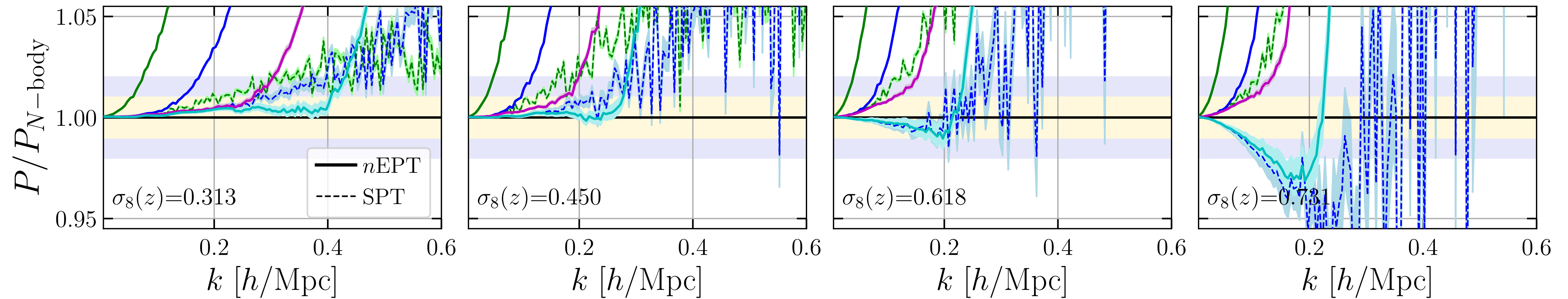
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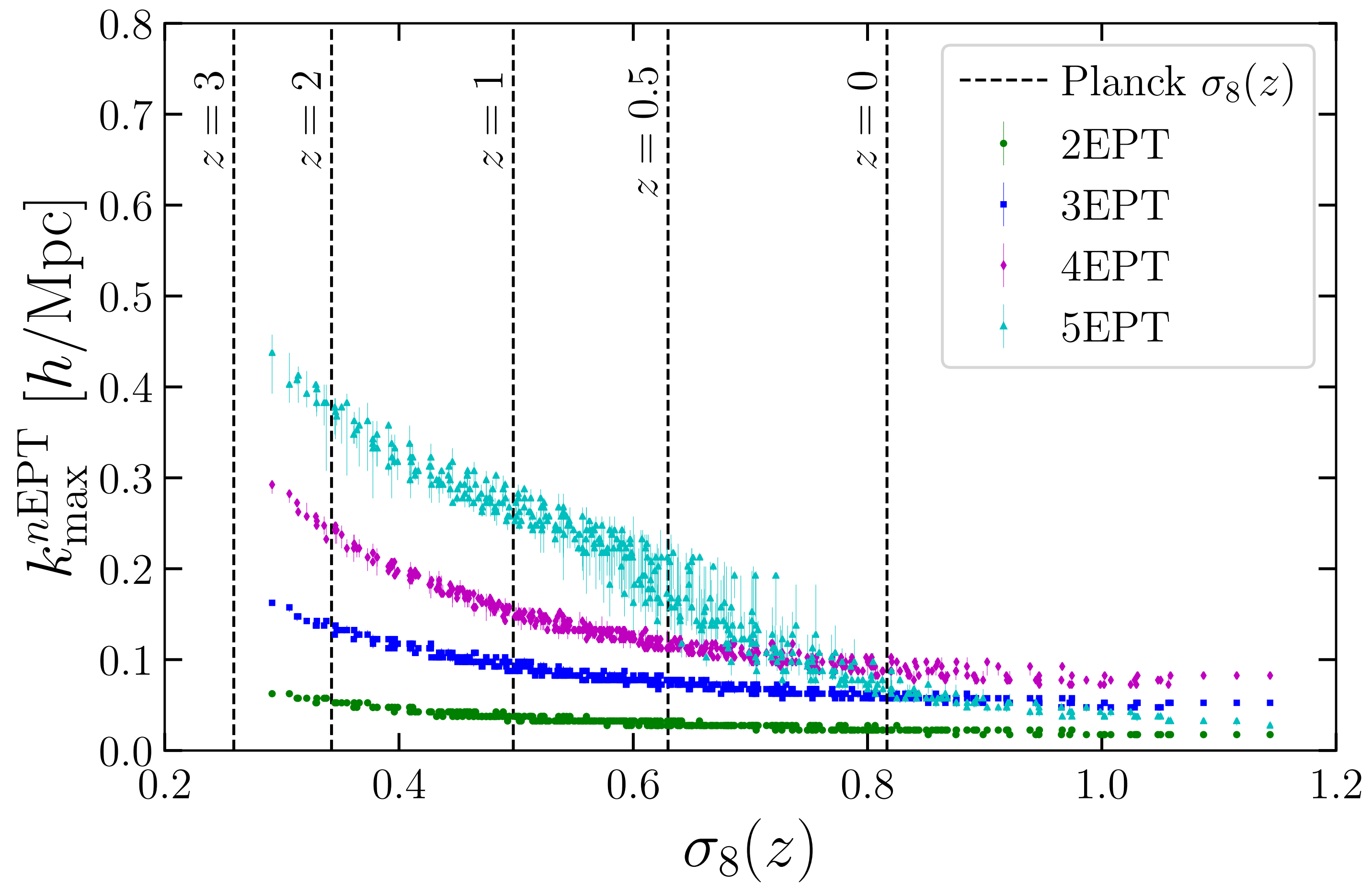
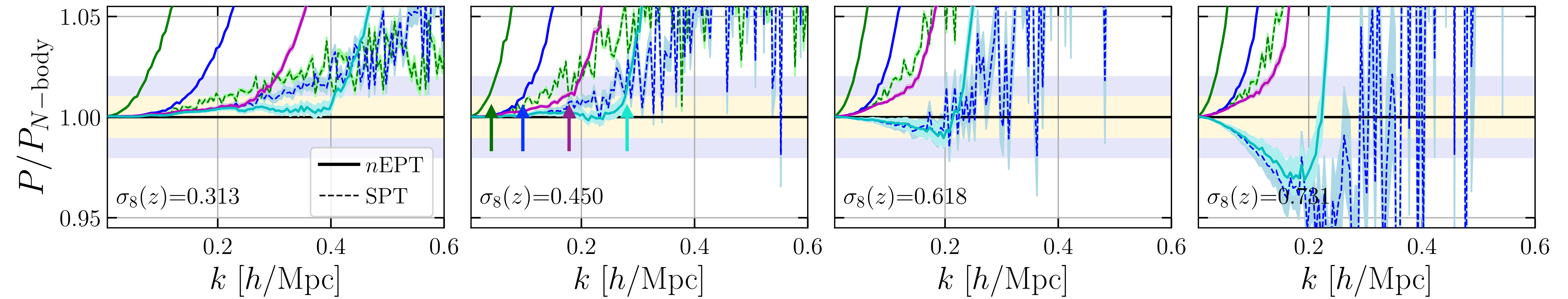
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nEPT needs **NO** free parameters!

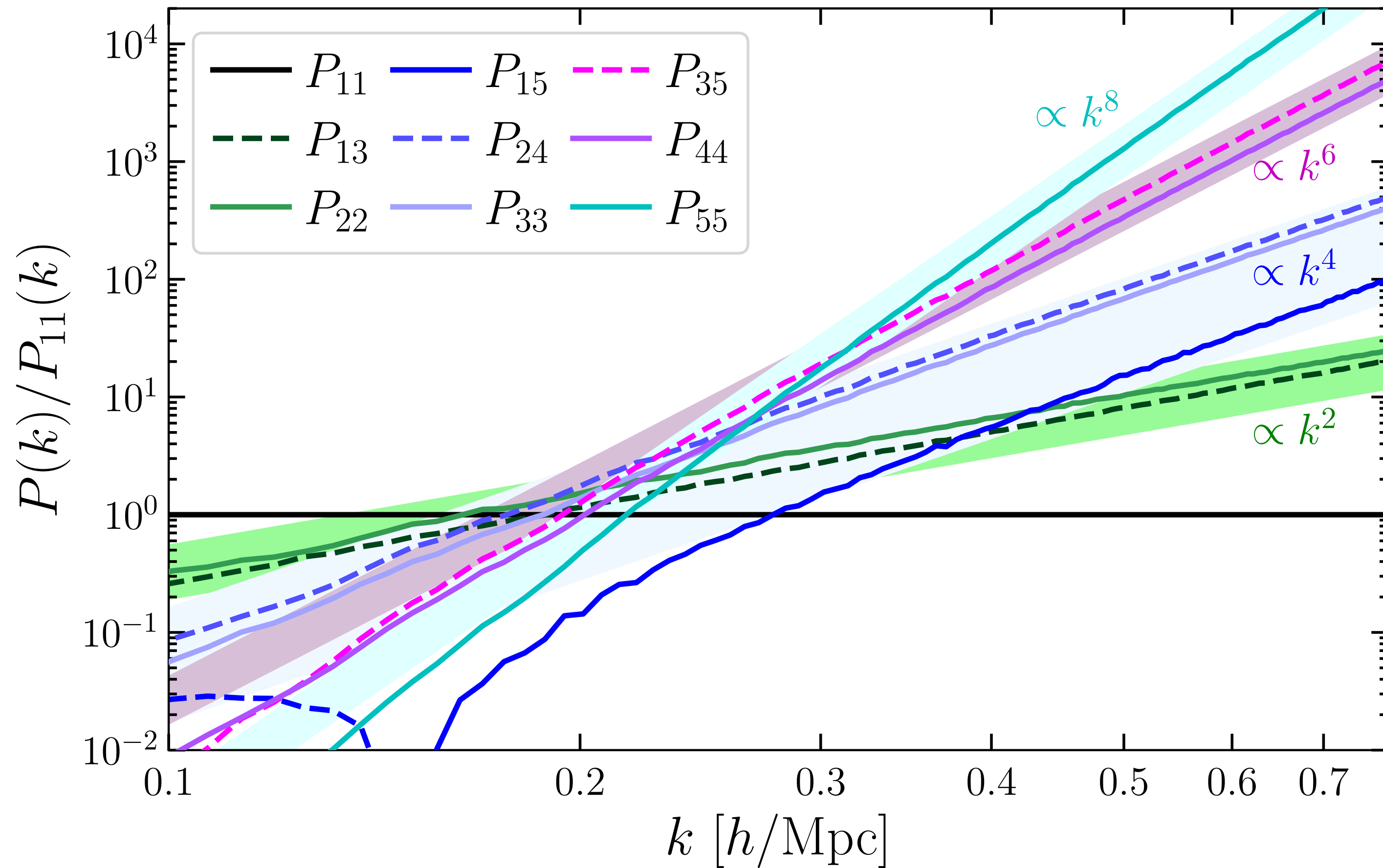
Result II: Matter Power Spectrum (In w CDM cosmology)

- n EPT also outperform SPT in general w CDM cosmologies!





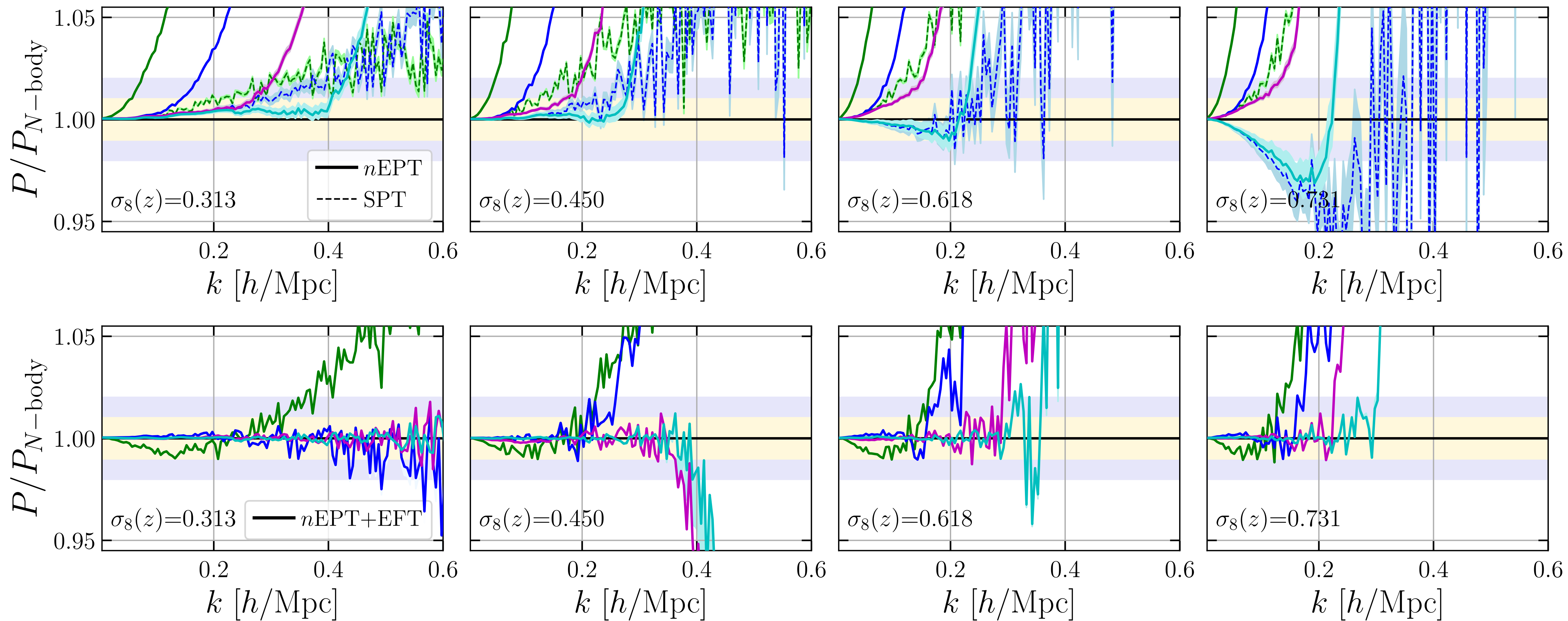
Result III: EFT correction absorbs the UV dependence



$$P_{n\text{EPT+EFT}}(k) = P_{n\text{EPT}}(k) - \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \alpha_i k^{2i} P_{11}(k)}_{\text{EFT-like counter terms}}$$

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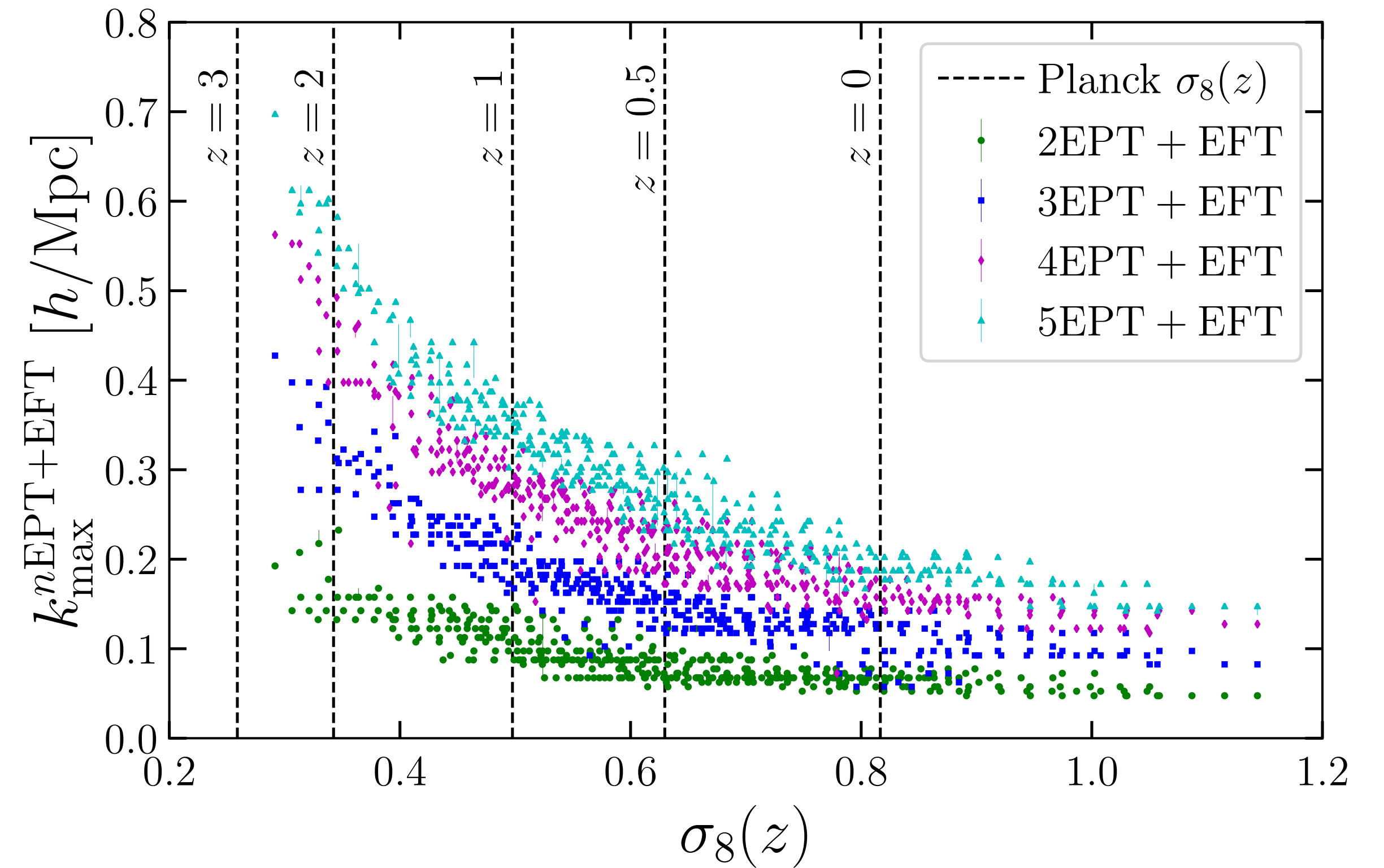
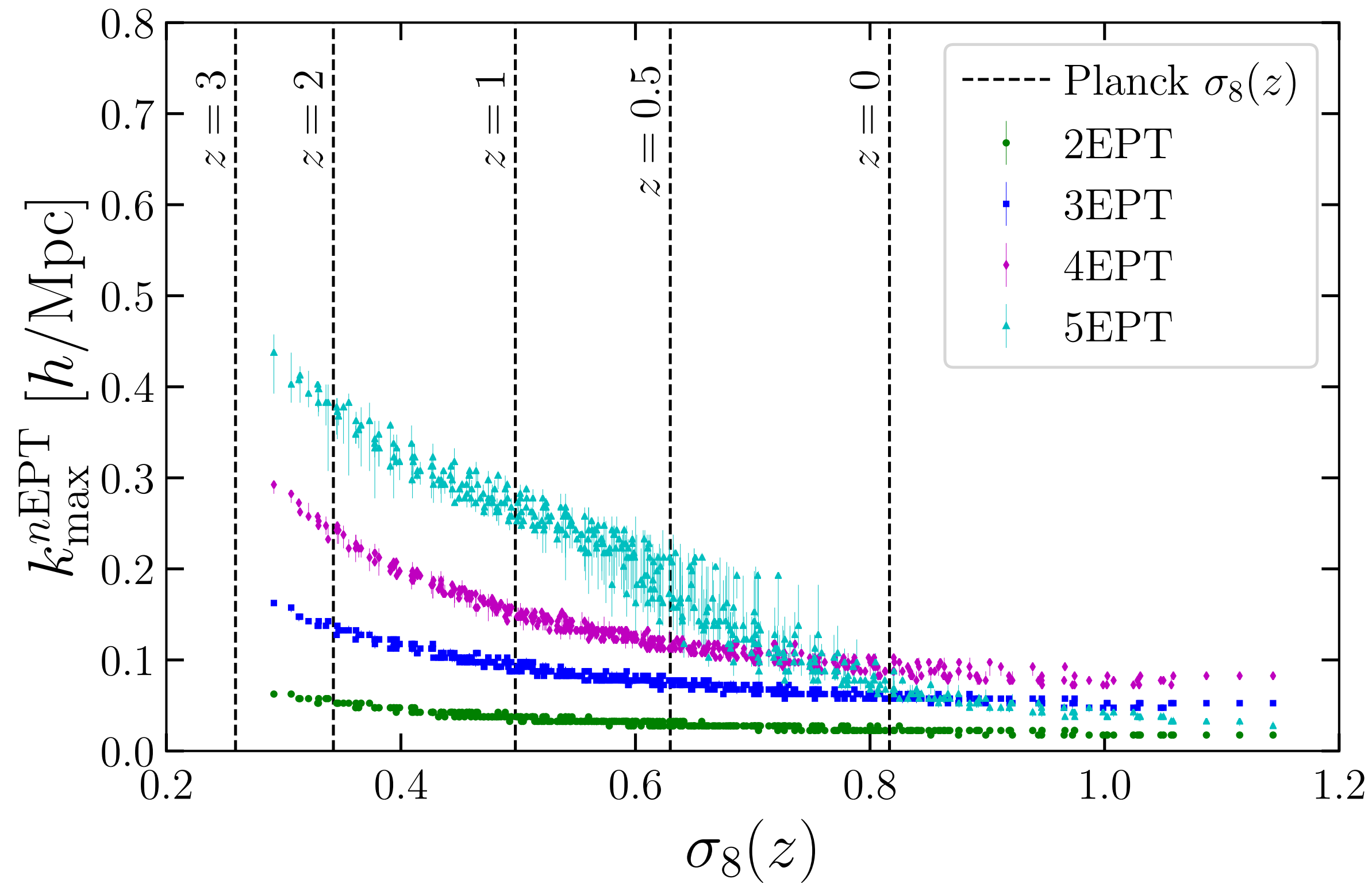
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Summary

- n EPT can model matter power spectrum better than 1% accuracy to $k \approx 0.4 h/\text{Mpc}$ between $z = 2$ and $z = 3$ (HETDEX mean redshift $\bar{z} \approx 2.7$)
- The UV-dependence of n EPT can be absorbed into counter terms, at the price of a few additional free parameters
- Future work
 - Bispectrum
 - Galaxy Bias
 - Redshift-space distortion