



# Learning the Universe with Machine Learning: Steps to Open the Pandora Box

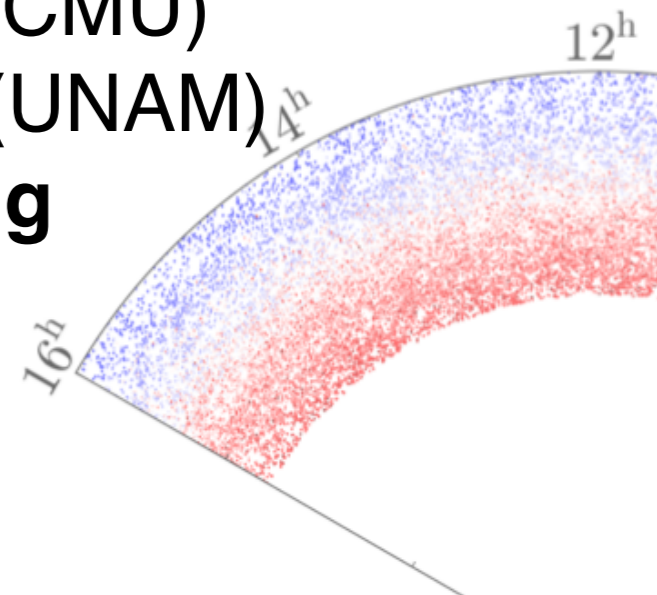
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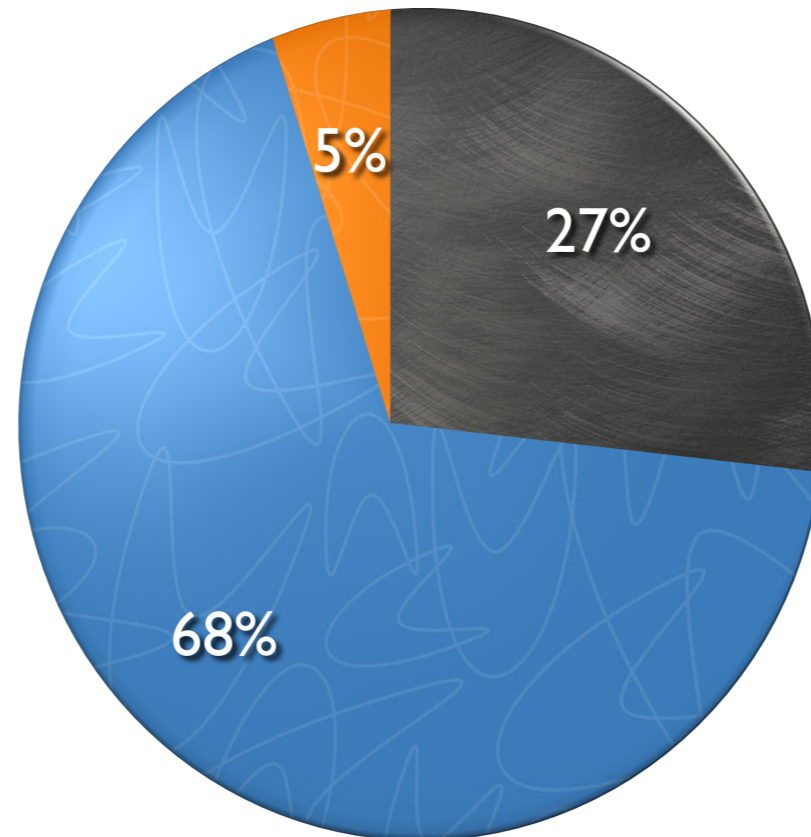
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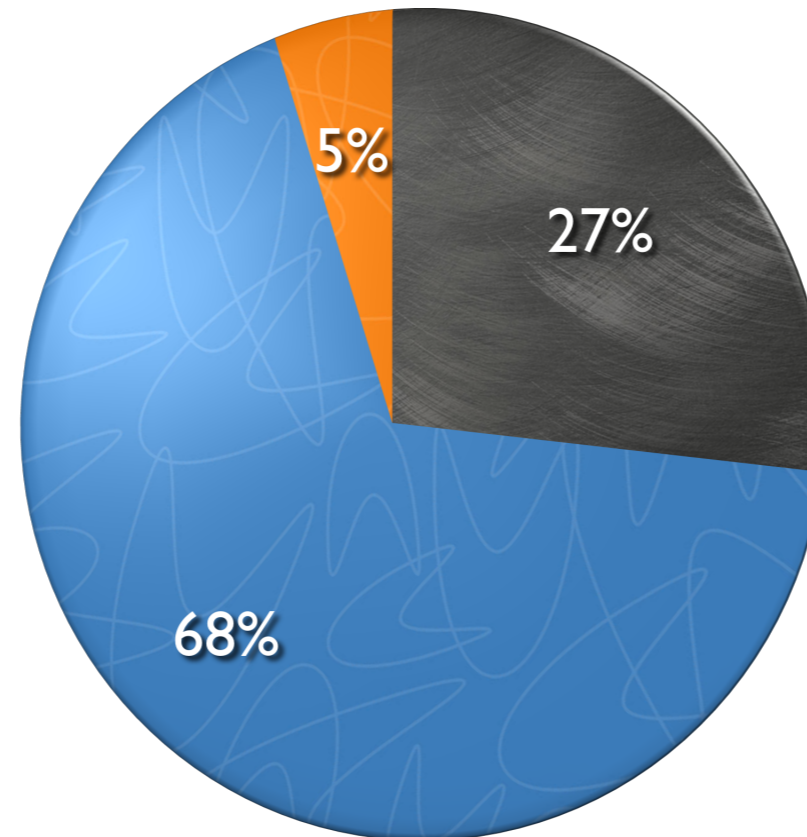
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## What is Dark Matter?



In case you're wondering, dark matter and dark energy are not Star Trek concepts – they're real forms of energy and matter; at least that's what most astrophysicists claim. Dark matter is a kind of matter hypothesized in astronomy and cosmology to account for gravitational effects that appear to be the result of invisible mass. The problem with it is that it cannot be directly seen with telescopes, and it neither emits nor absorbs light or other electromagnetic radiation at any significant level.

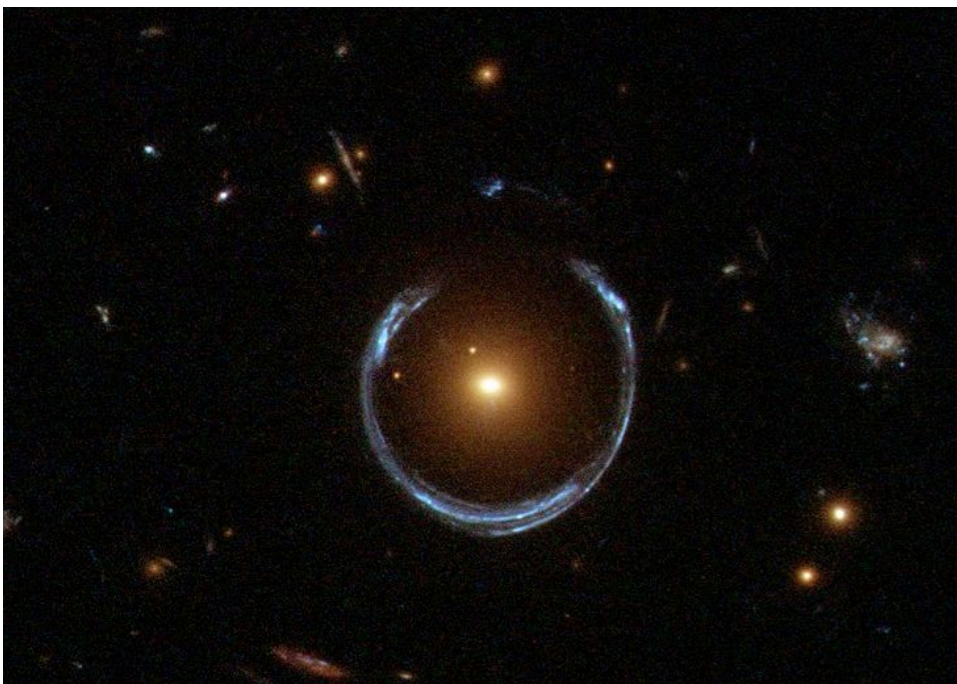
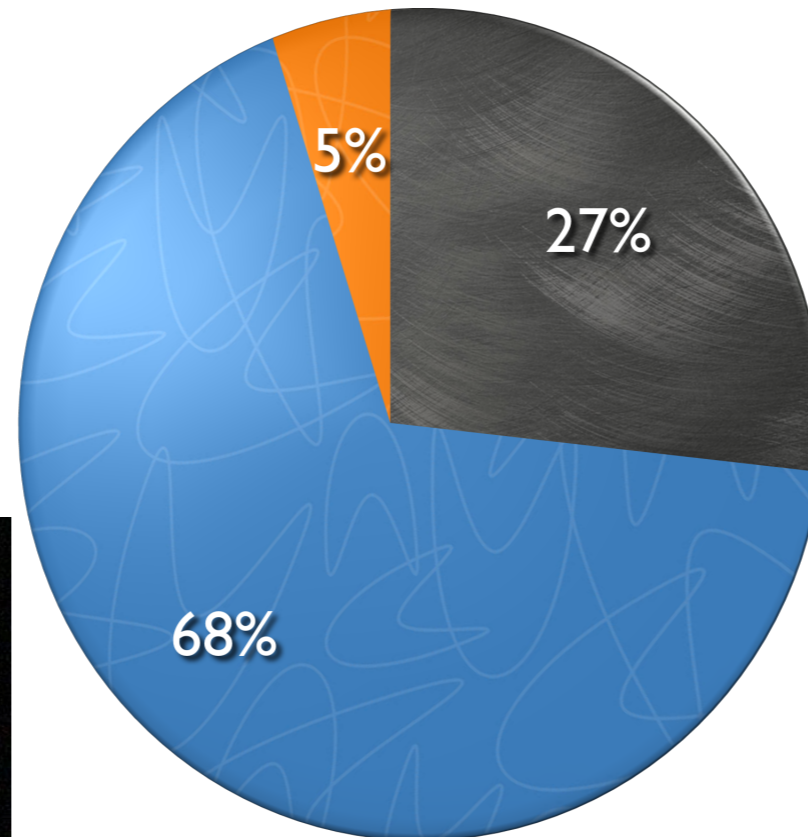
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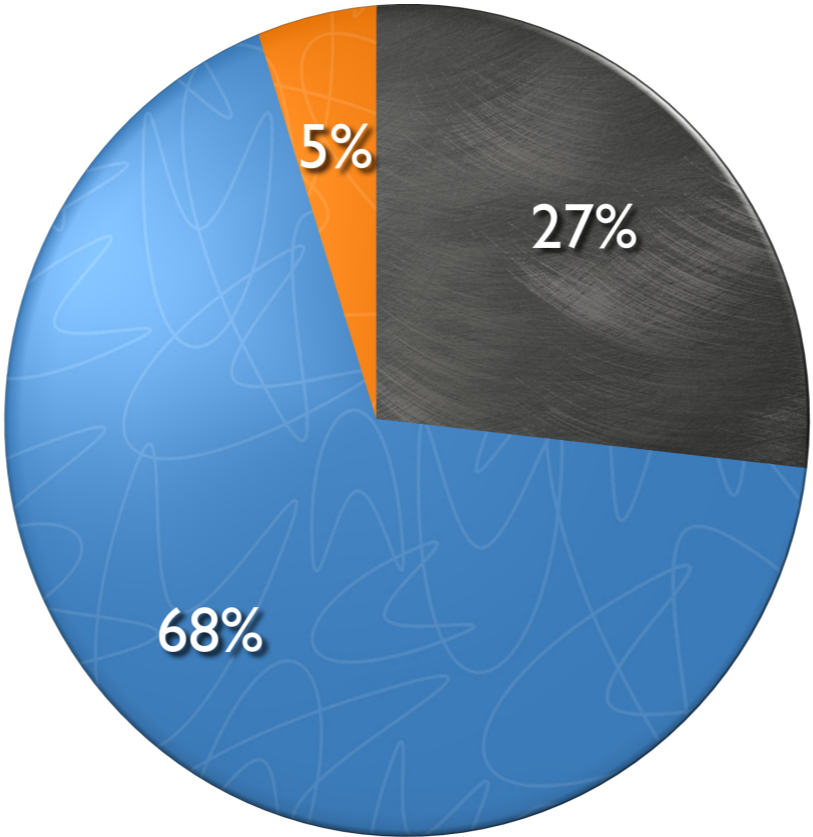


Maybe WIMP?

LHC is looking for this, but  
maybe best bet is in cosmology?

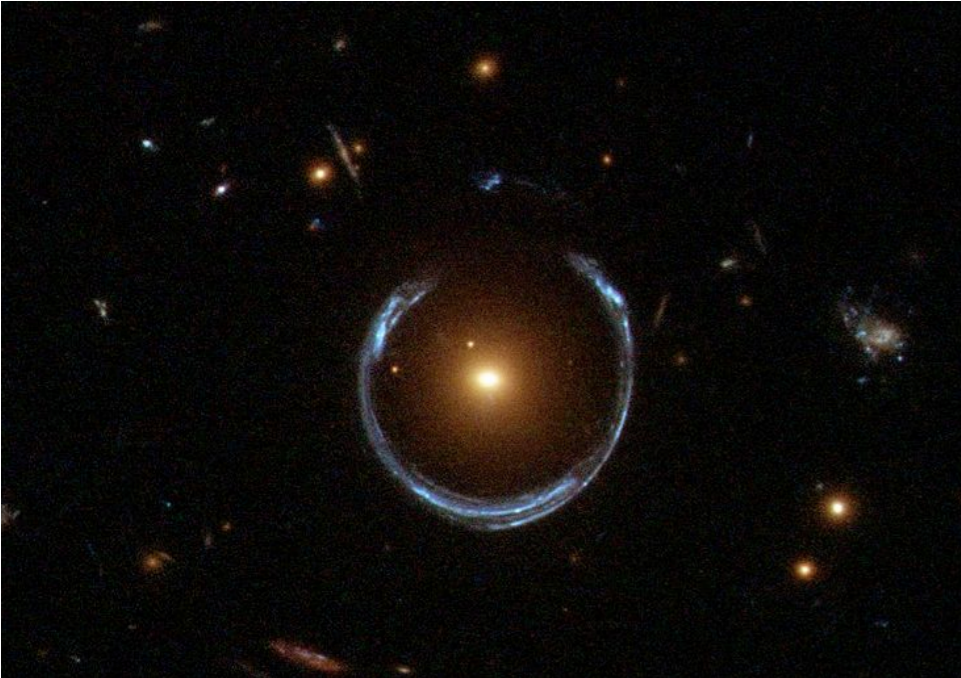
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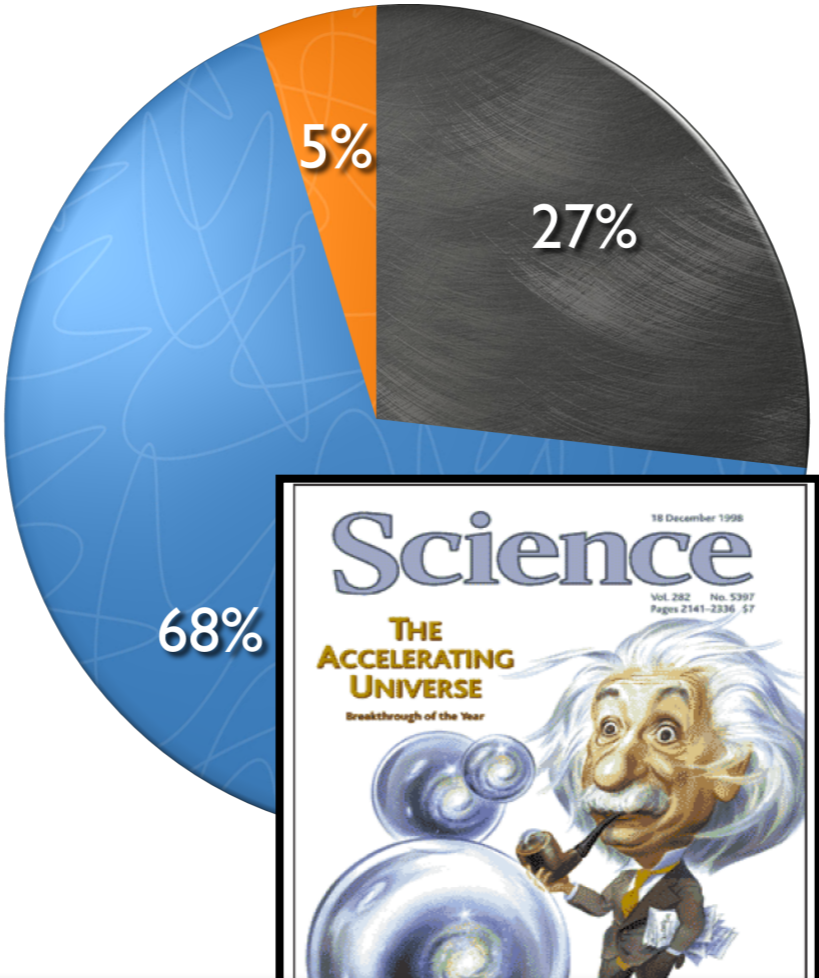
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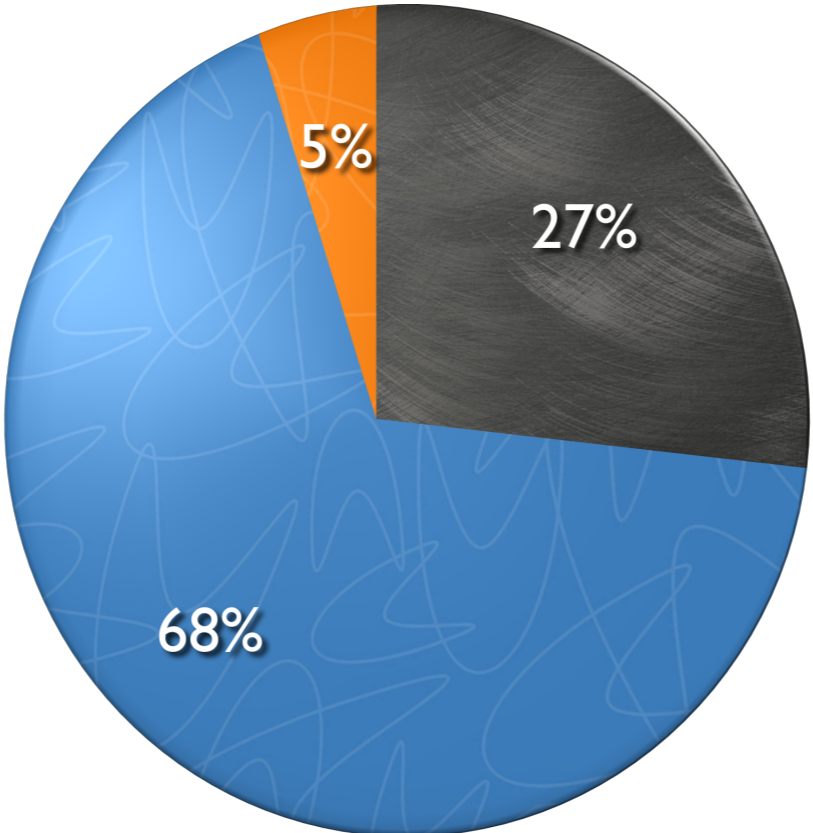


Responsible for accelerating the expansion of the Universe.  
Einstein's cosmological constant?  
New Physics?

Meanwhile, dark energy is a hypothetical form of energy which permeates all of space and tends to accelerate the expansion of the universe. Basically, ever since the 1990s, observations have revealed that the Universe is expanding at an accelerating rate. This baffled researchers; ok, it's clear that it expands, but why is it expanding faster? If anything, it should expand slower, due to all the gravitational attraction. Well, dark energy is the most accepted hypothesis to explain the observations since the 1990s indicating that the universe is expanding at an accelerating rate. The evidence for dark energy is indirect, just like with dark matter. Dark energy is thought to be very homogeneous, not very dense and have a negative pressure (acting repulsively) in order to explain the observed acceleration of the expansion of the universe.

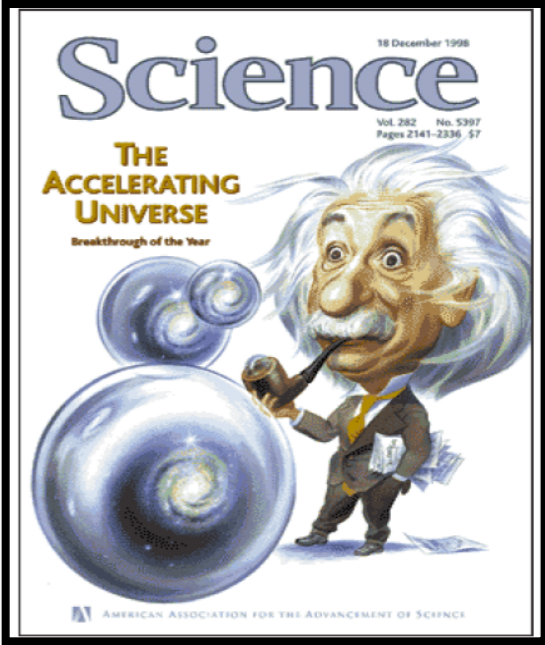
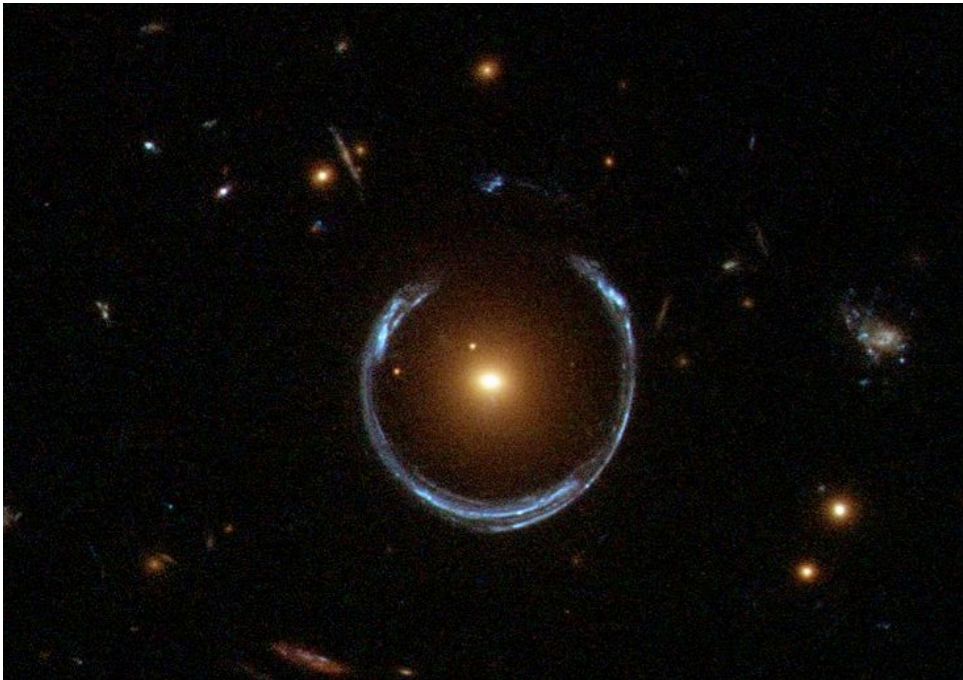
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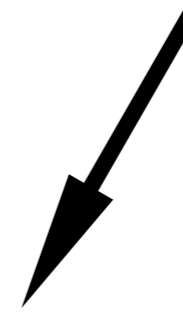
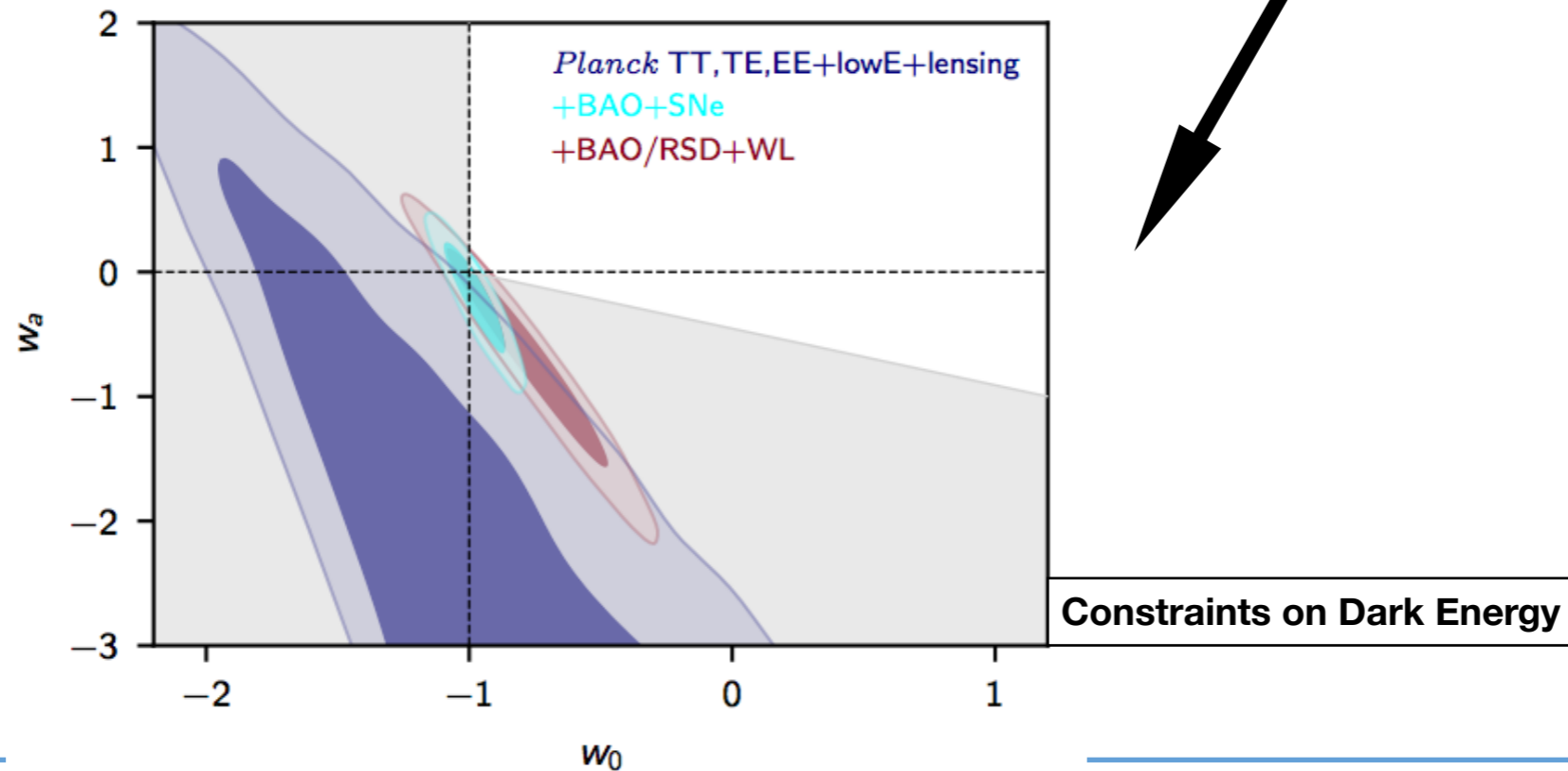
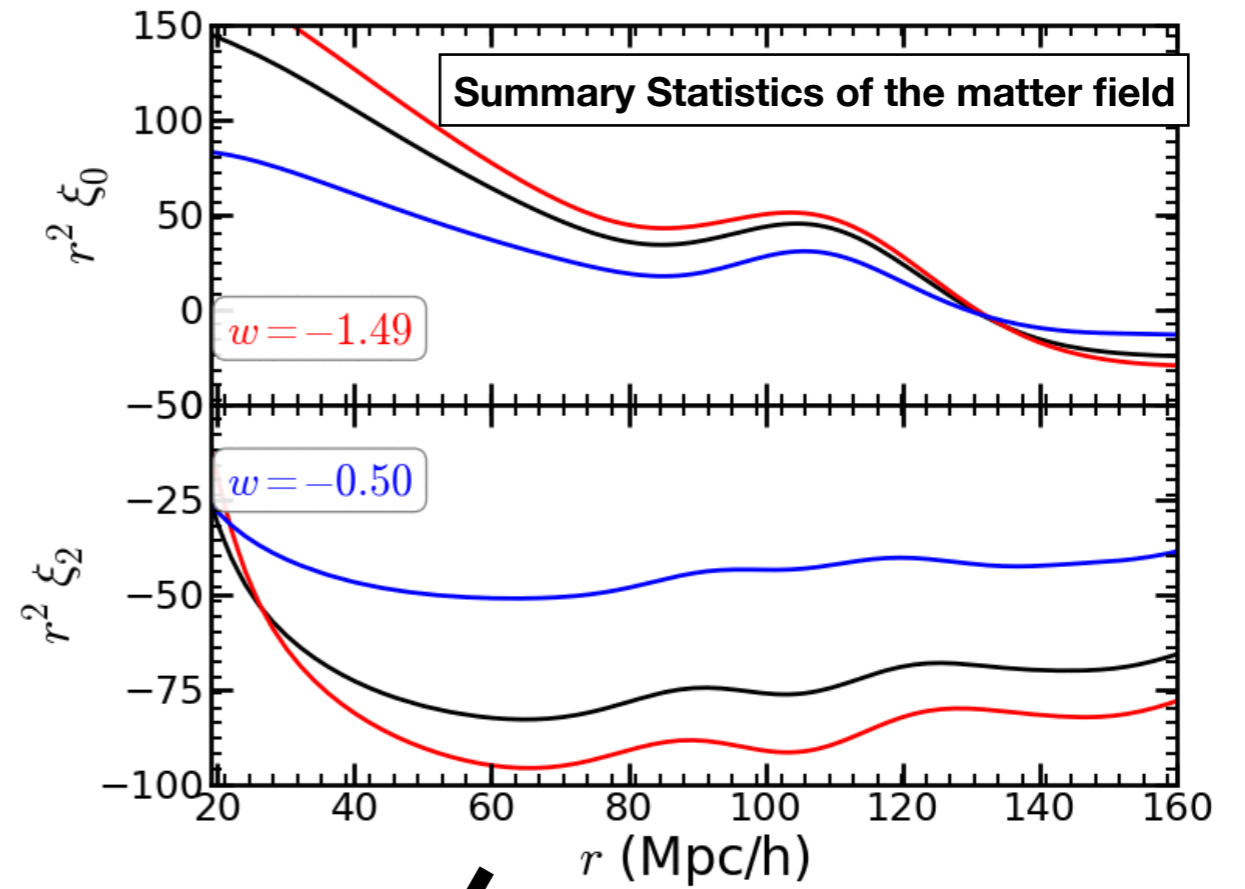
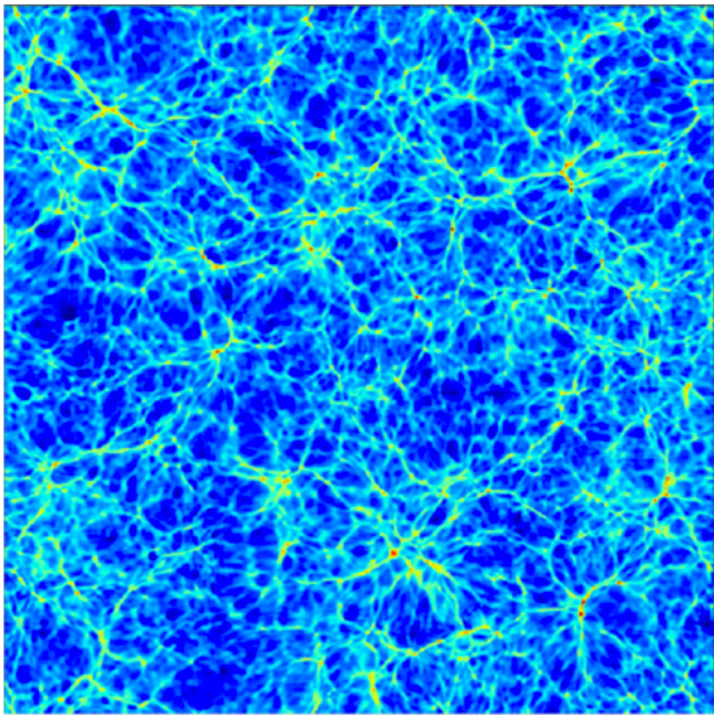






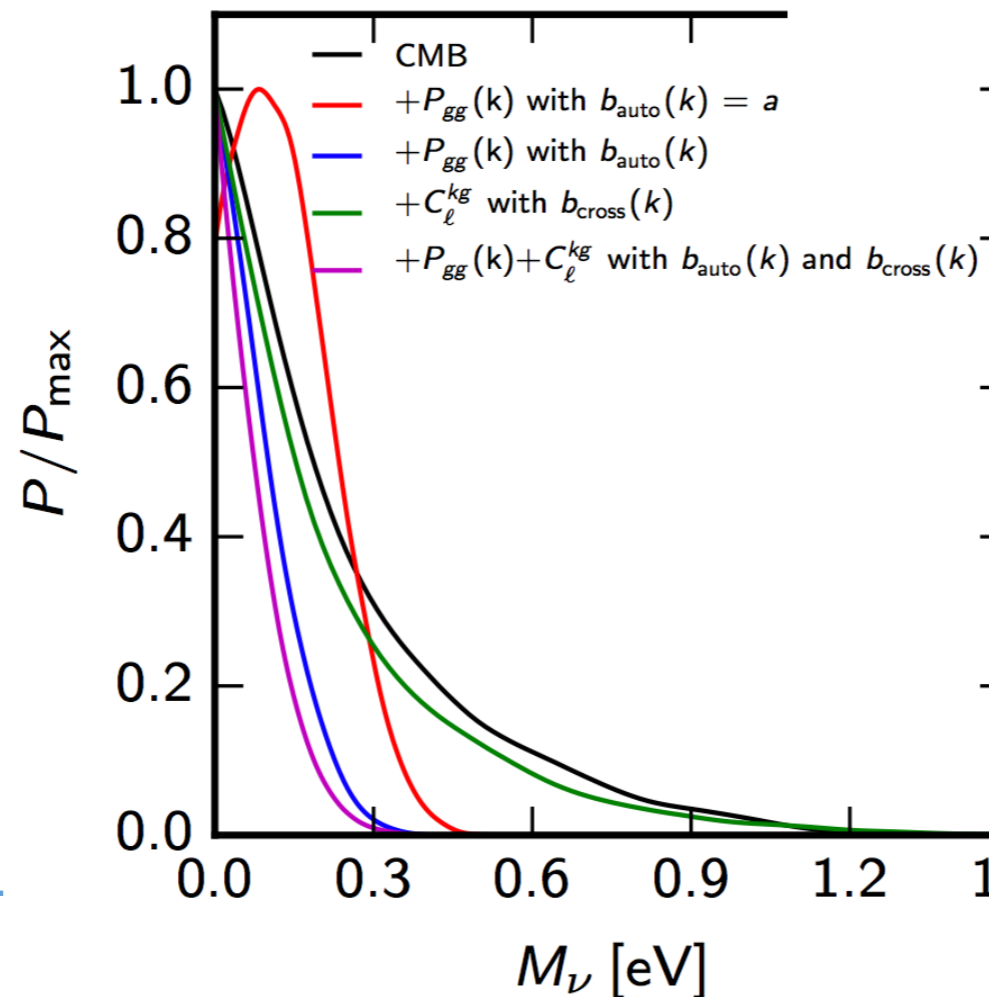
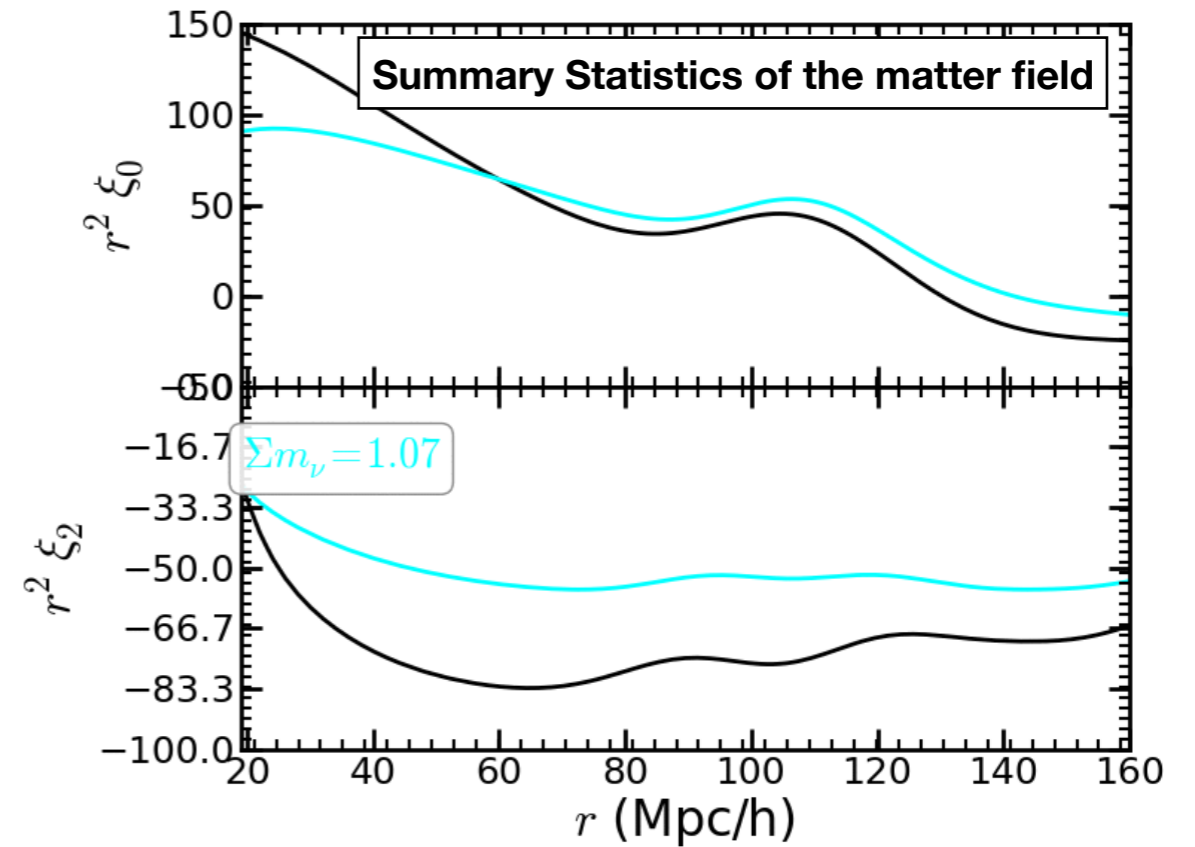
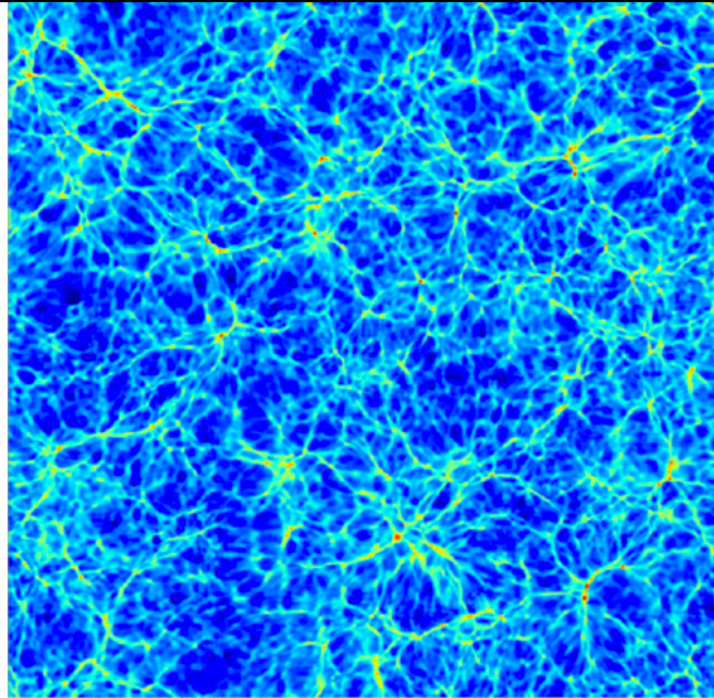
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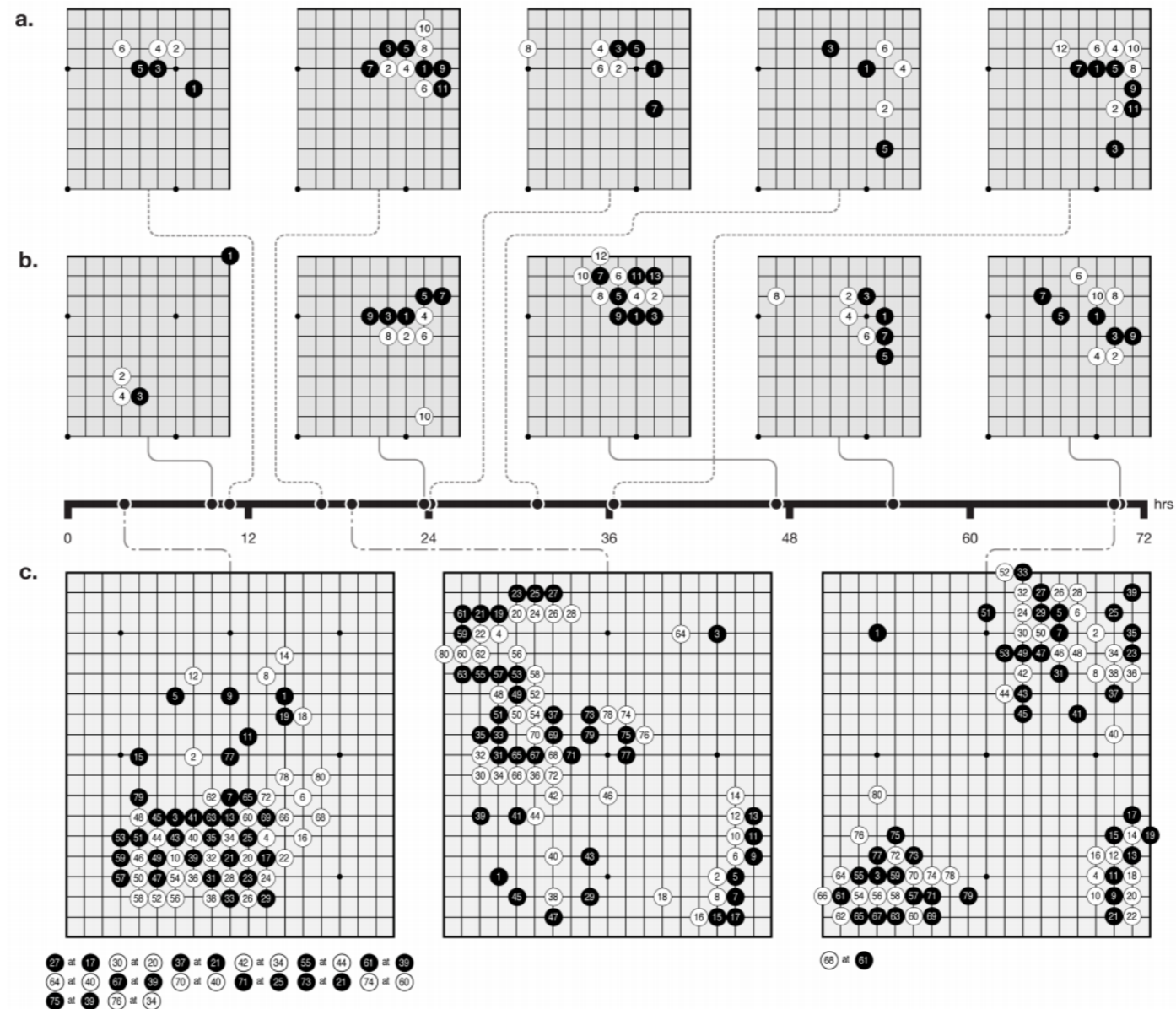
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Constraints on neutrino masses

Can we do better than  
what we have done before?

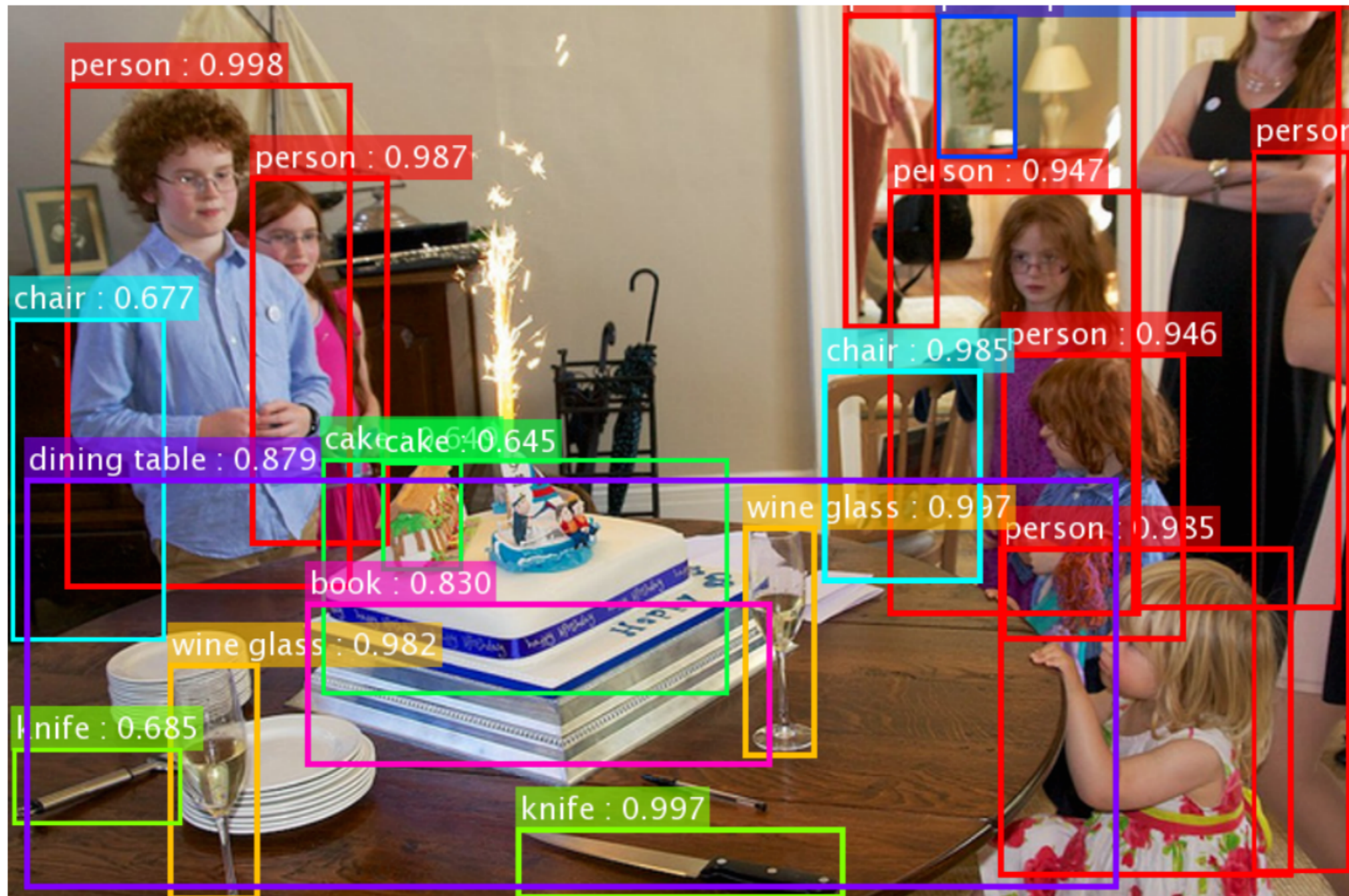
# Mastering the Game of Go without Human Knowledge



Five human joseki (common corner sequences)  
discovered by AlphaGo during training.

**Silver, Schrittwieser, Simonyan Nature 2016**

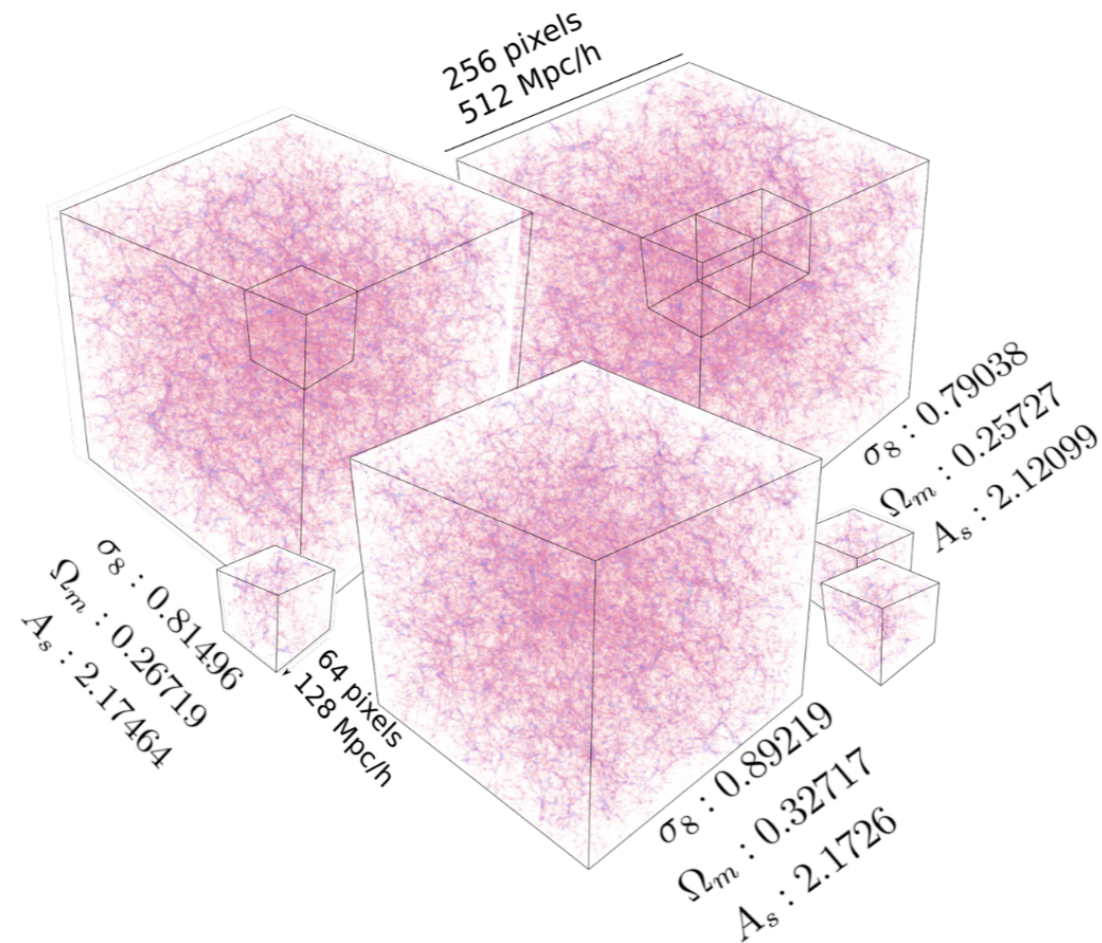
# Machine learning in image recognition



ResNet's object detection result on Common Object in Context

Can machine learning help us  
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# Can we use Machine Learning to help us understand the Universe? Extracting more information from the astronomical dataset

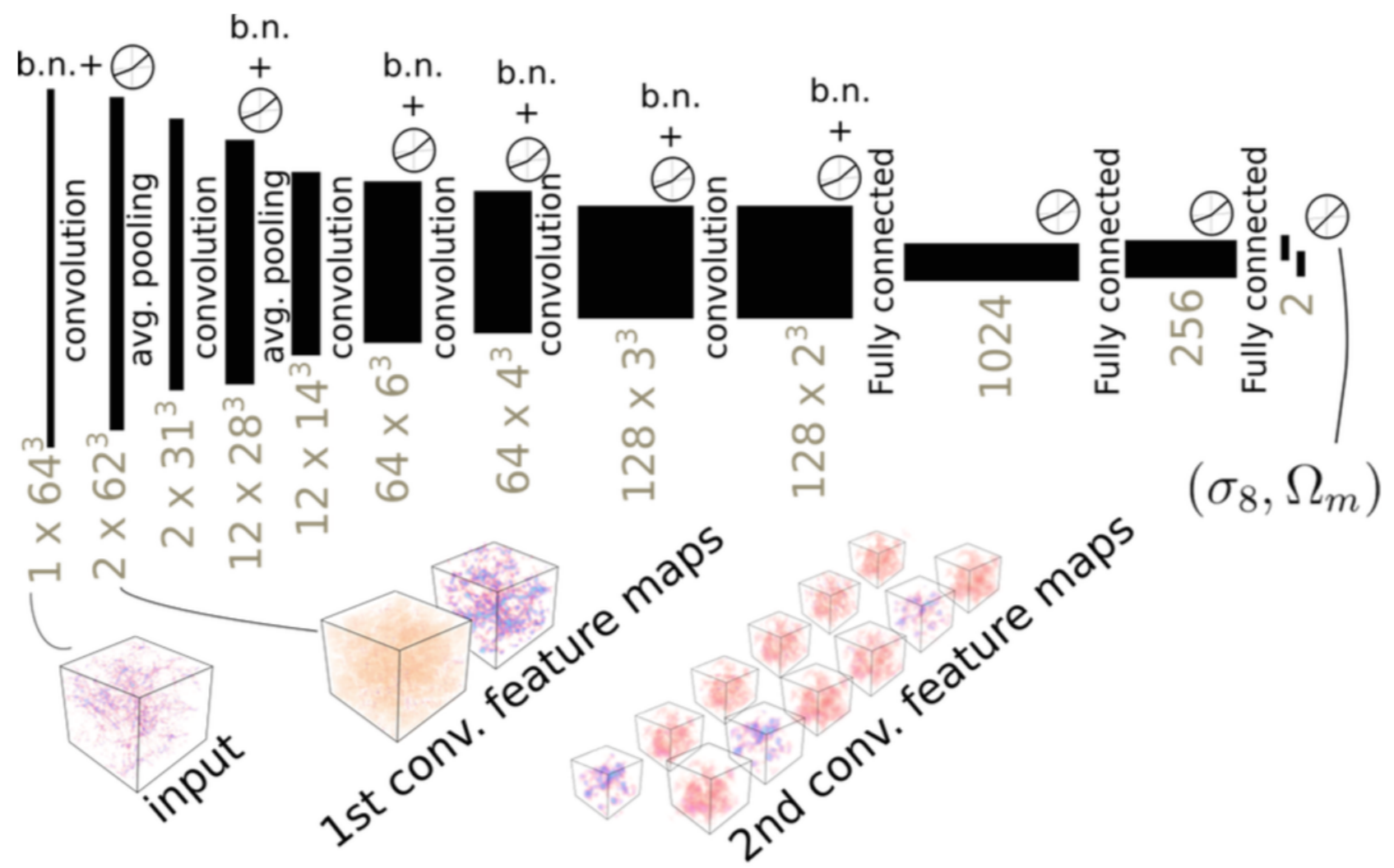


*Figure 1.* Dark matter distribution in three cubes produced using different sets of parameters. Each cube is divided into small sub-cubes for training and prediction. Note that although cubes in this figure are produced using very different cosmological parameters in our constrained sampled set, the effect is not visually discernible.

Ravanbakhsh, Oliver, Price, Ho, Schendier & Poczós  
International Conference of Machine Learning 2016

# Can we use Machine Learning to help us understand the Universe? Introducing our machine learning network (Convolutional Neural Net)

Ravanbakhsh, Oliver, Price, **Ho**, Schendier & Poczos **ICML** 2016



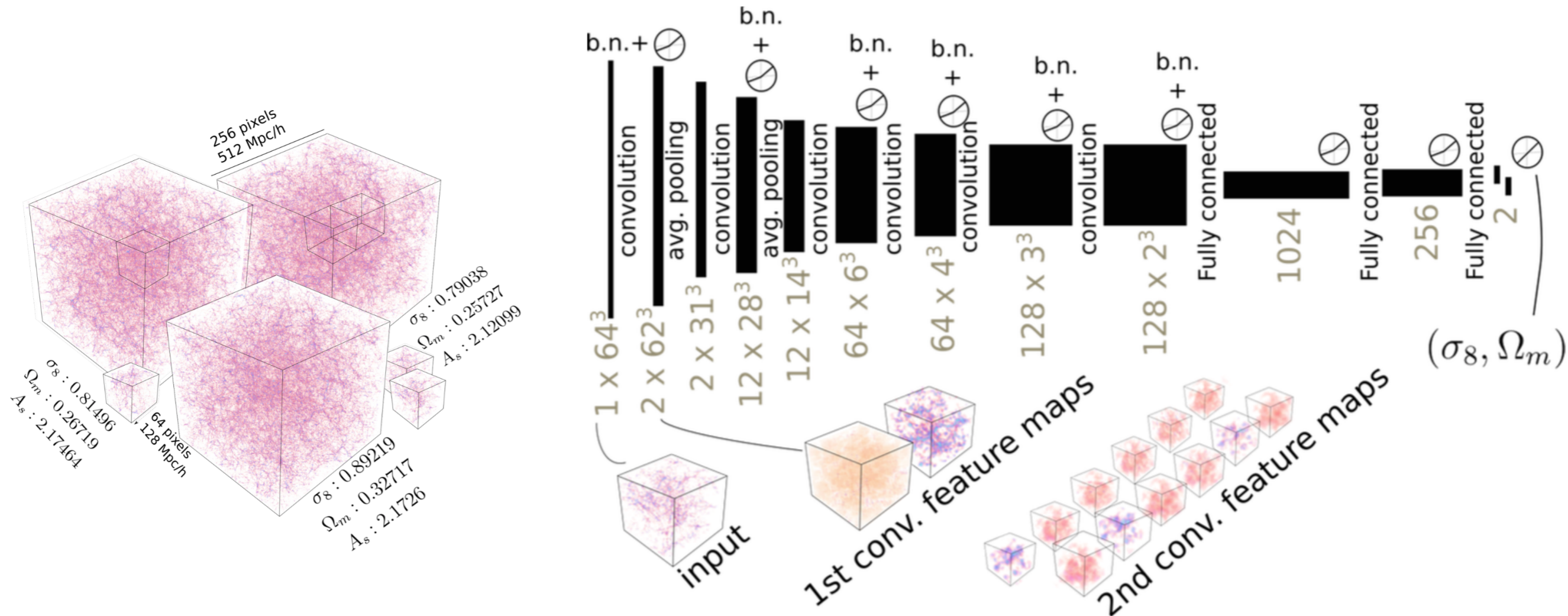
*Figure 6.* The architecture of our 3D conv-net. The model has six convolutional and 3 fully connected layers. The first two convolutional layers are followed by average pooling. All layers, except the final layer, use leaky rectified linear units, and all the convolutional layers use batch-normalization (b.n.).



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## Training, Validation and Test

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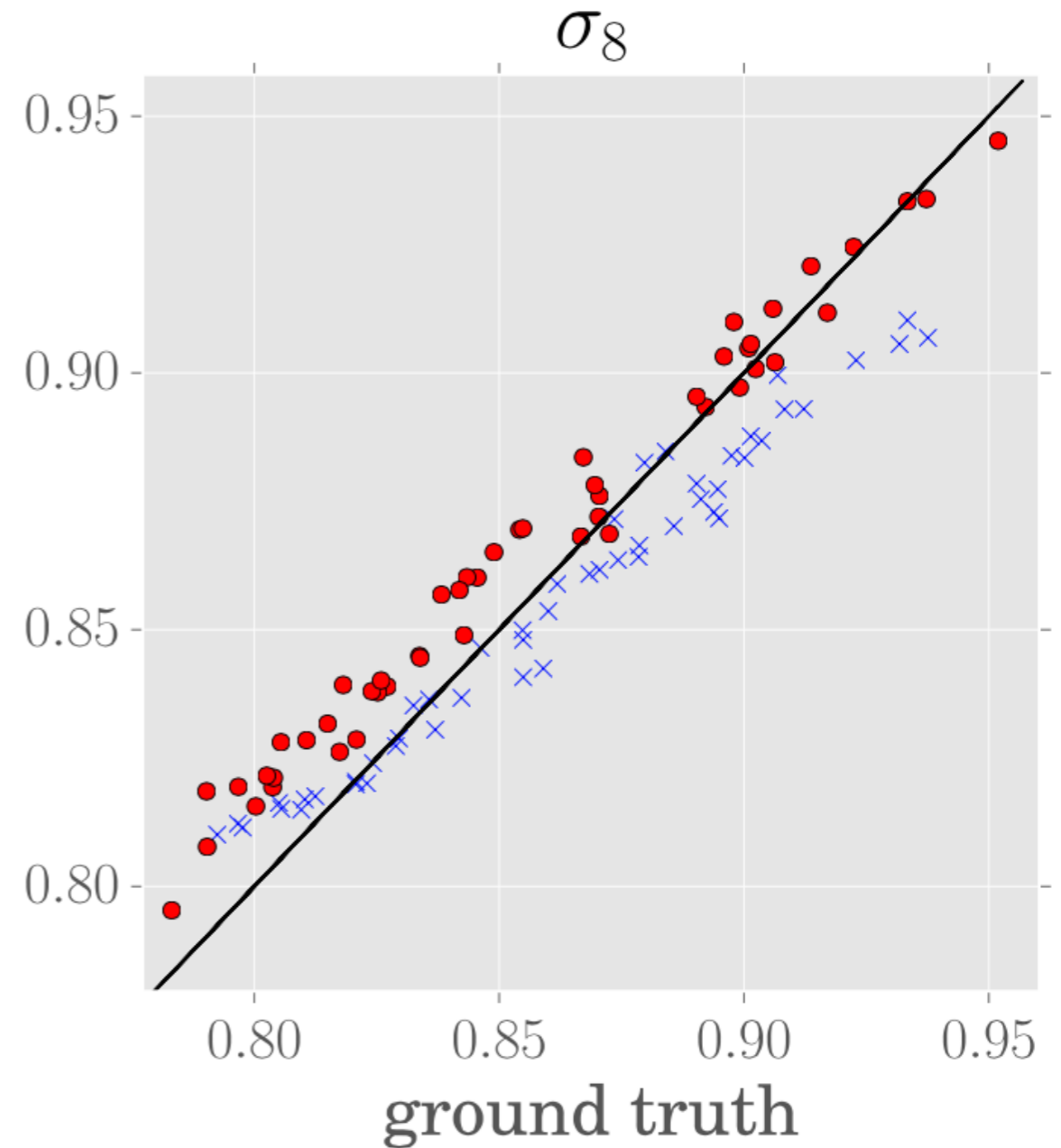
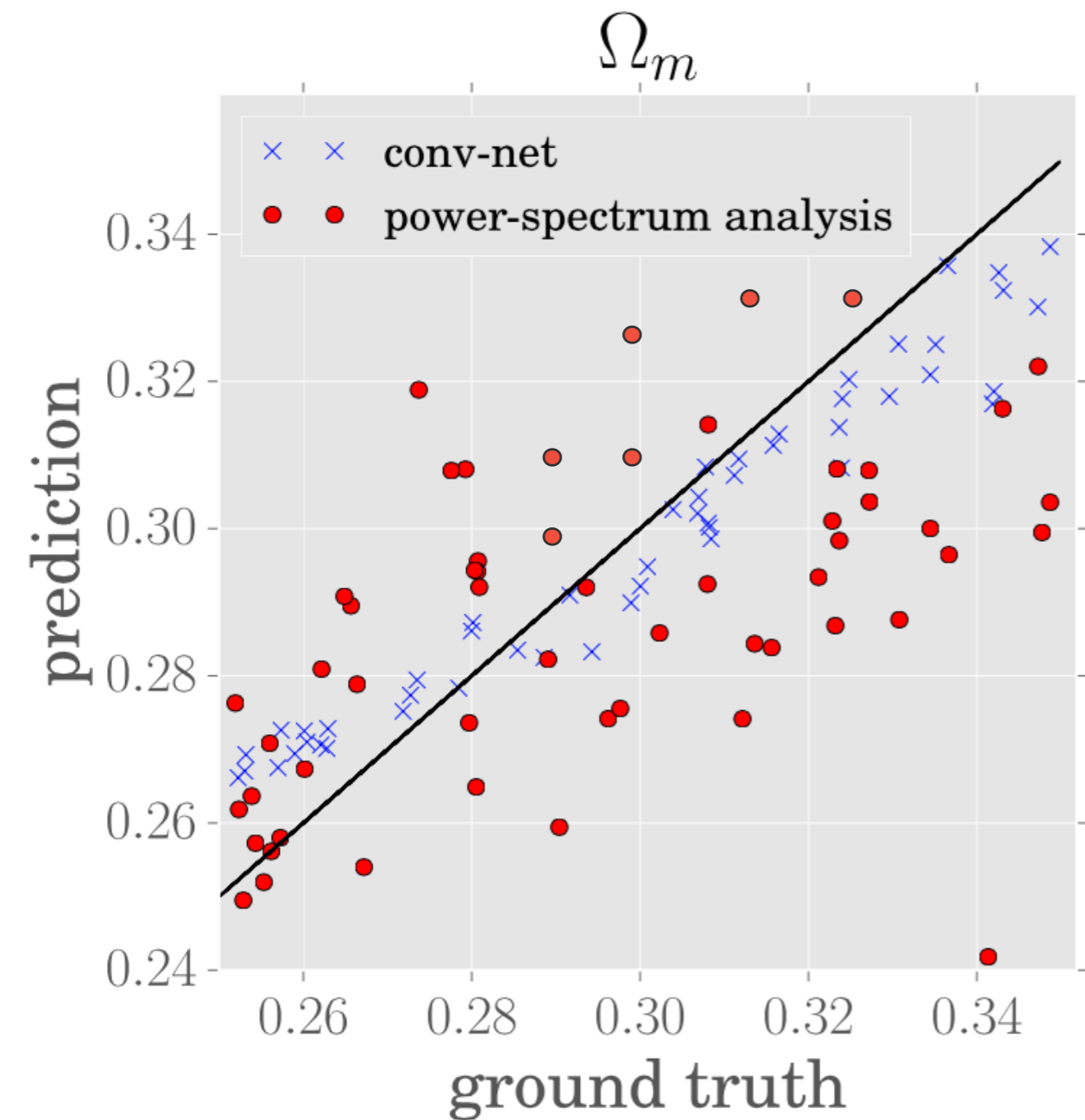


**Training:** Input N-body simulations with known cosmological parameters to train the ConvNet

**Validation:** Input next set of simulations with known cosmological parameters to fine tune the hidden parameters in ConvNet (eg. Number of layers)

**Test:** Input N-body simulations with unknown cosmological parameters and predict with ConvNet

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It achieves higher accuracies than our traditional method.



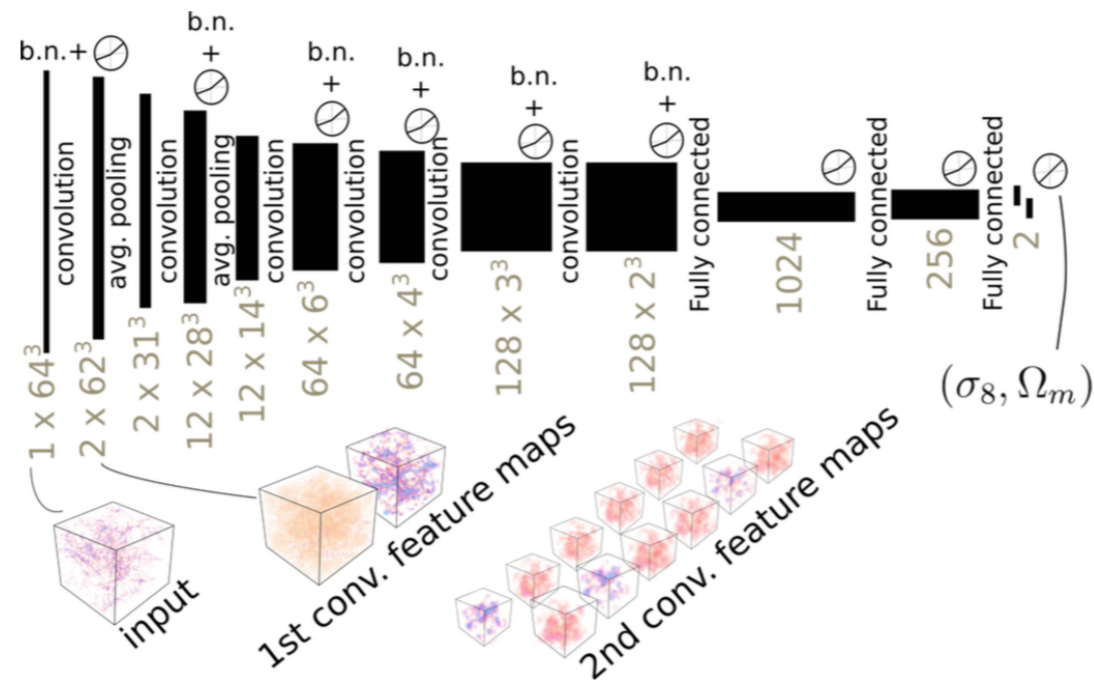
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# Can we interpret what the model is learning?



- We now design the following experiment, to learn the difference between **analytical modeling** and **the full information** in the density field.
- In other words: Can we understand what gravity does to billions of dark matter particles over many years, without using computer to simulate the physical laws step by step?
- Or: Can we use machine learning to skip the simulation of a complex physical system?

# Can we use machine learning to simulate a physical system?

- There are recent work that tries to simulate simpler physical systems. See the next video by my collaborators.
- They are able to simulate Kepler's law quite well up to  $\sim 1000$  time steps.

Battaglia, Pascanu, Lai, et al. NeurIPS 2016

Can we use machine learning to simulate the Universe ?





# Using Machine Learning to simulate the Universe: The Setup of the Experiment

**Inputs**

Machine Learning model

Outputs

Analytical approximation of the  
non-linear evolution of the Universe

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Positions and velocities of all particles,  
evolved under gravity after X years

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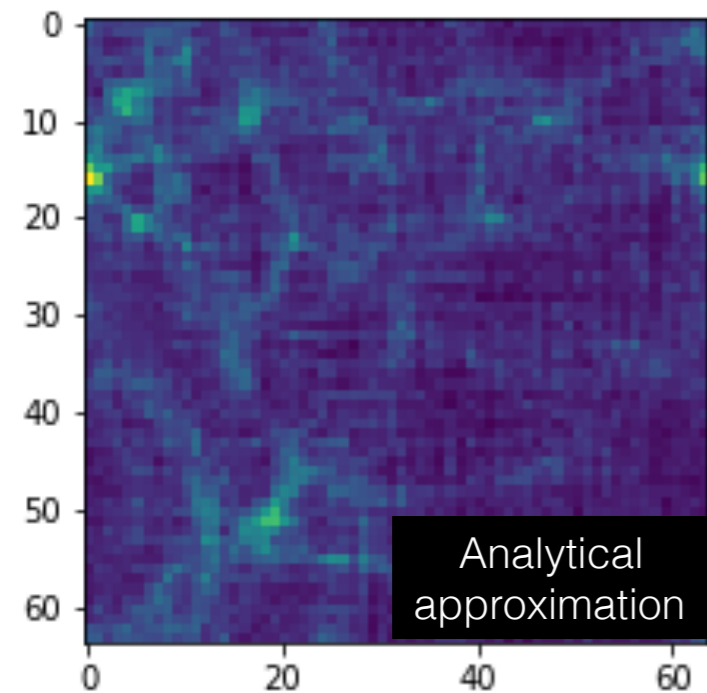
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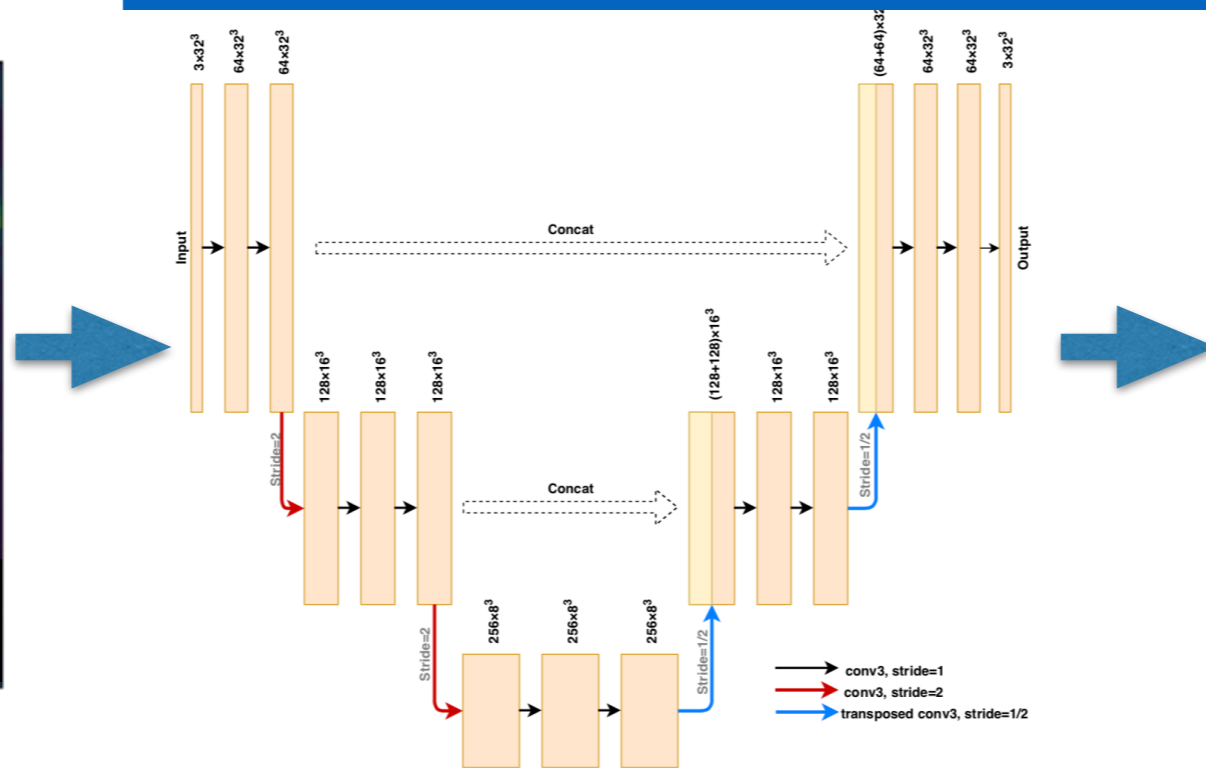
Instead of using numerical simulations of newton's laws for all the particles, with smart algorithms to run really fast. We will attempt to use machine learning to “learn”/ interpolate from a large number of pre-run simulations. We call these “training data”.

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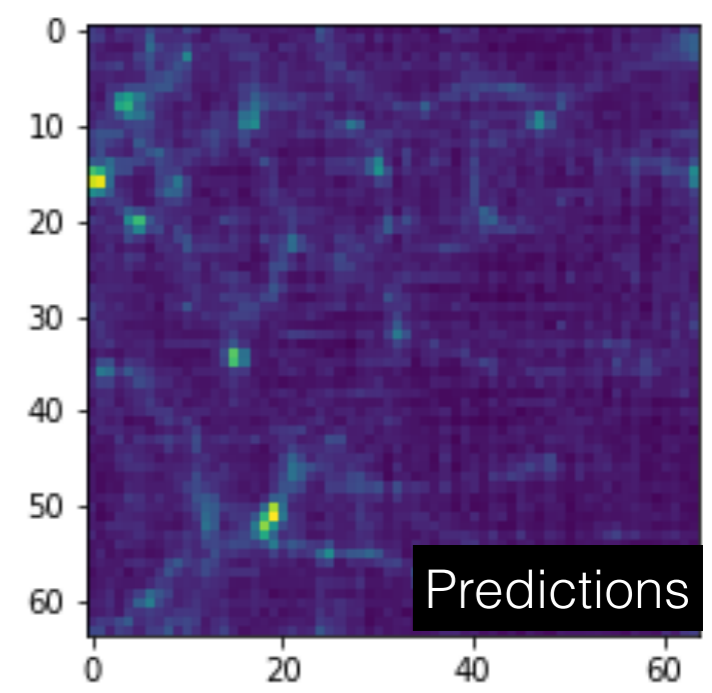
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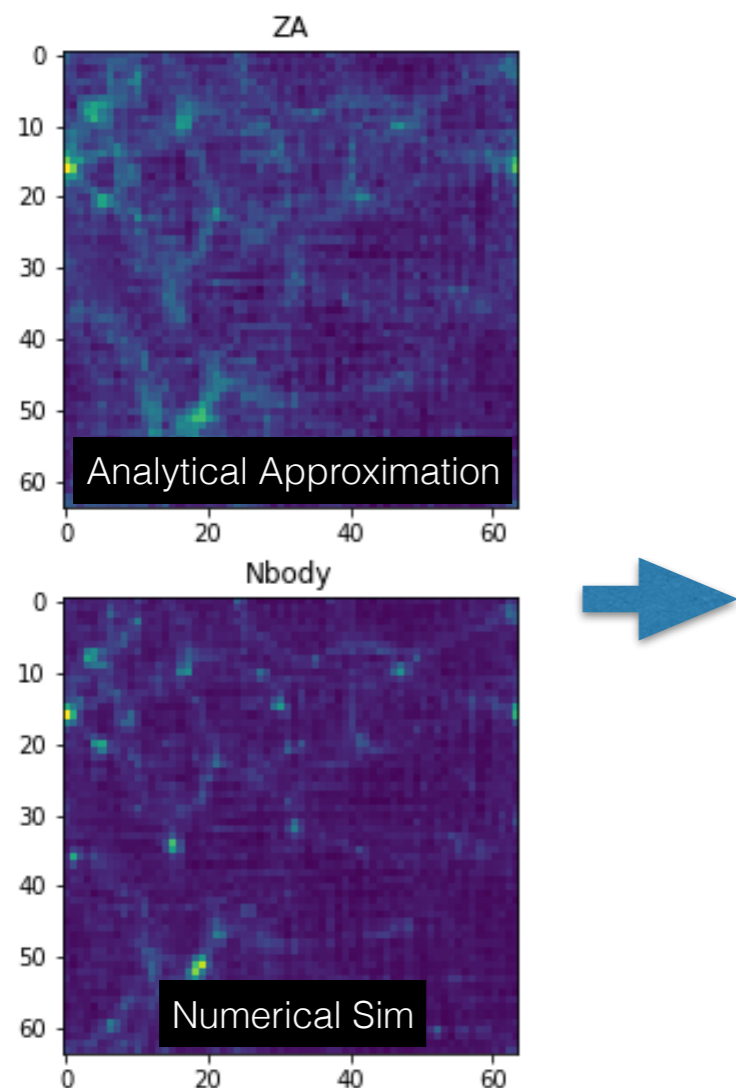


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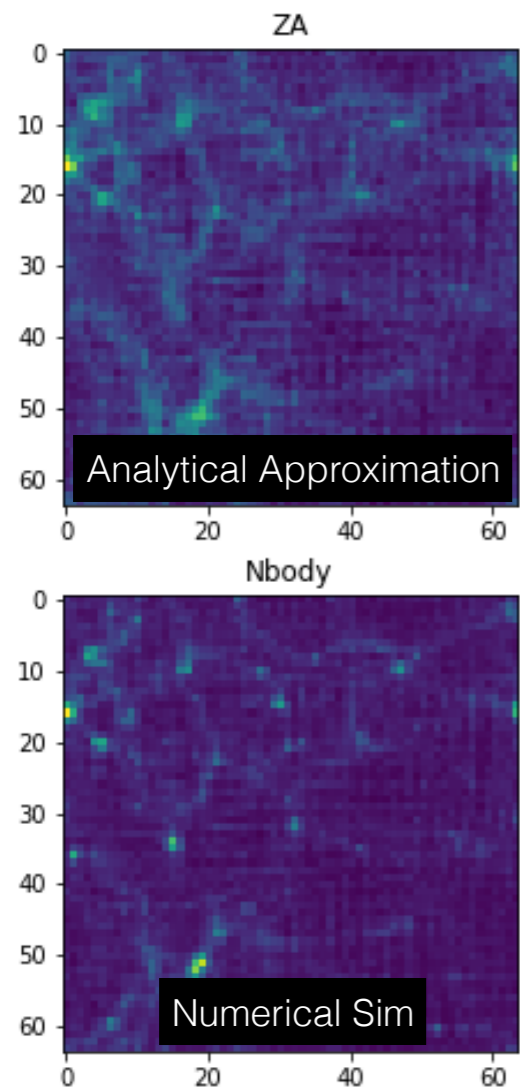
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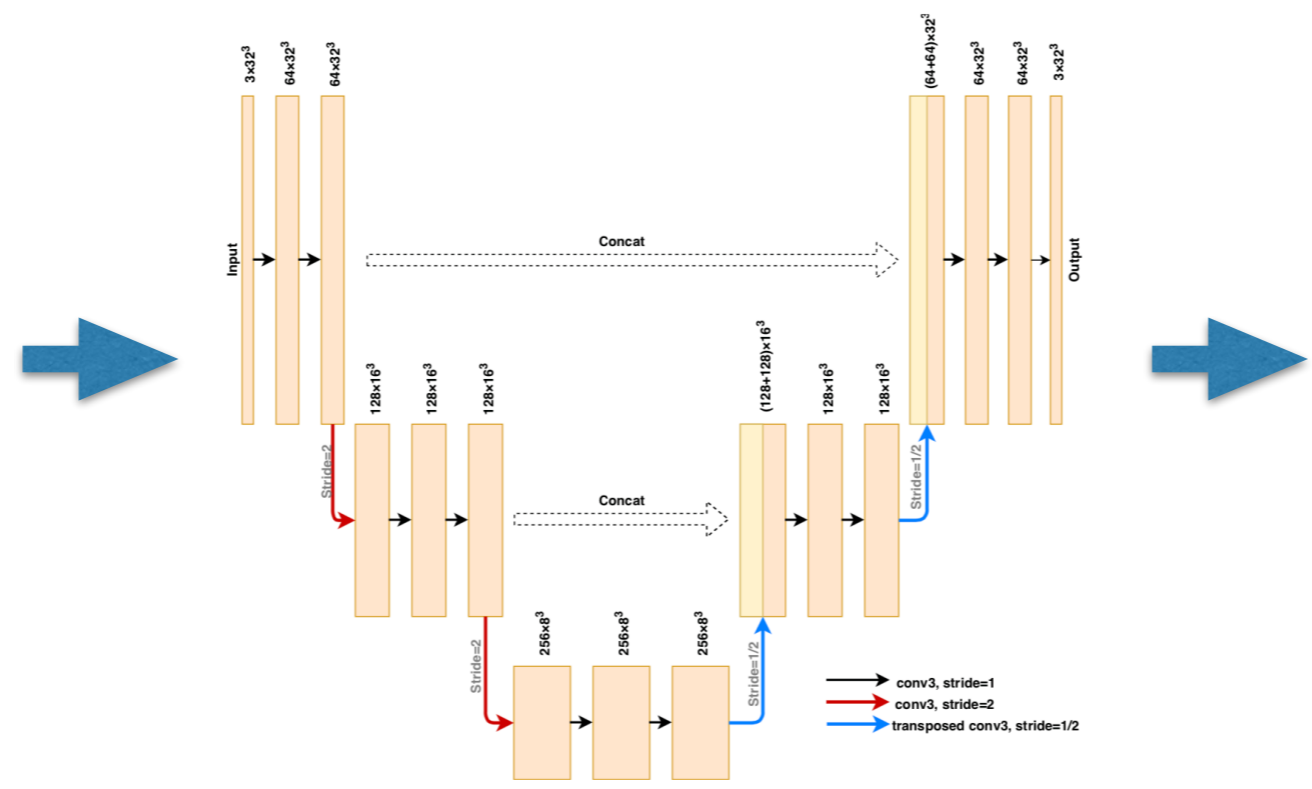
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## Machine learning Model

Slight variant to Residual NN



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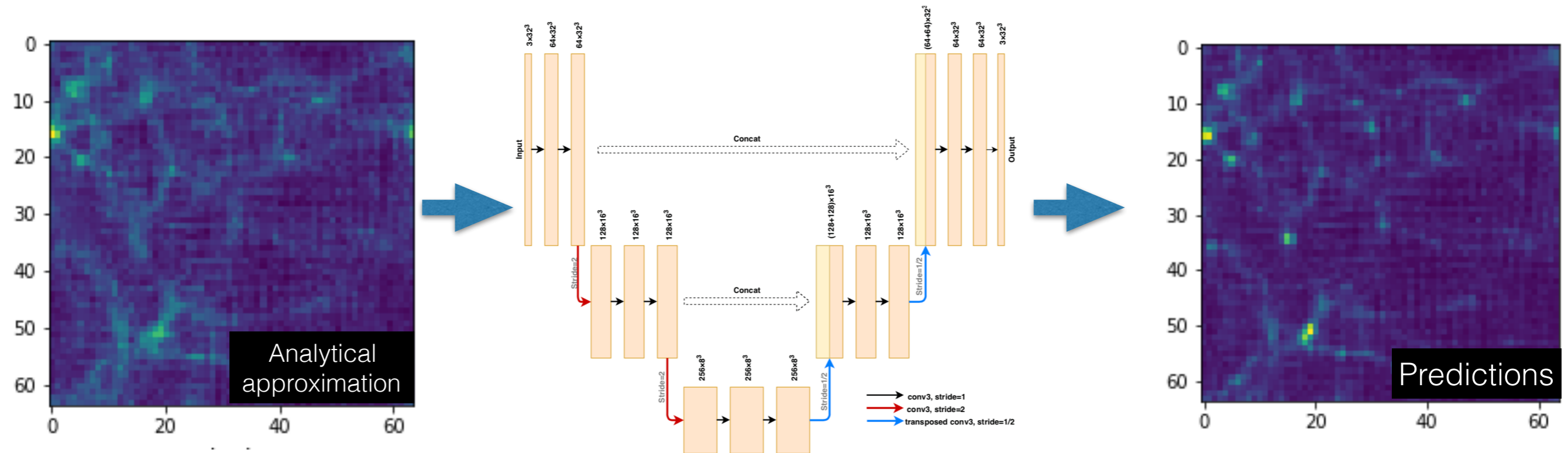
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Input

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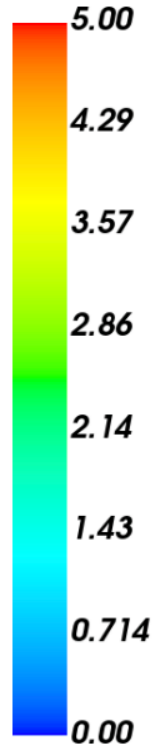
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Prediction



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**Error**



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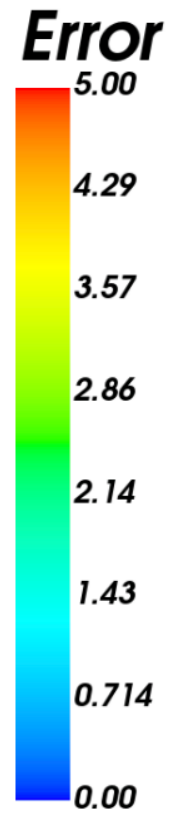
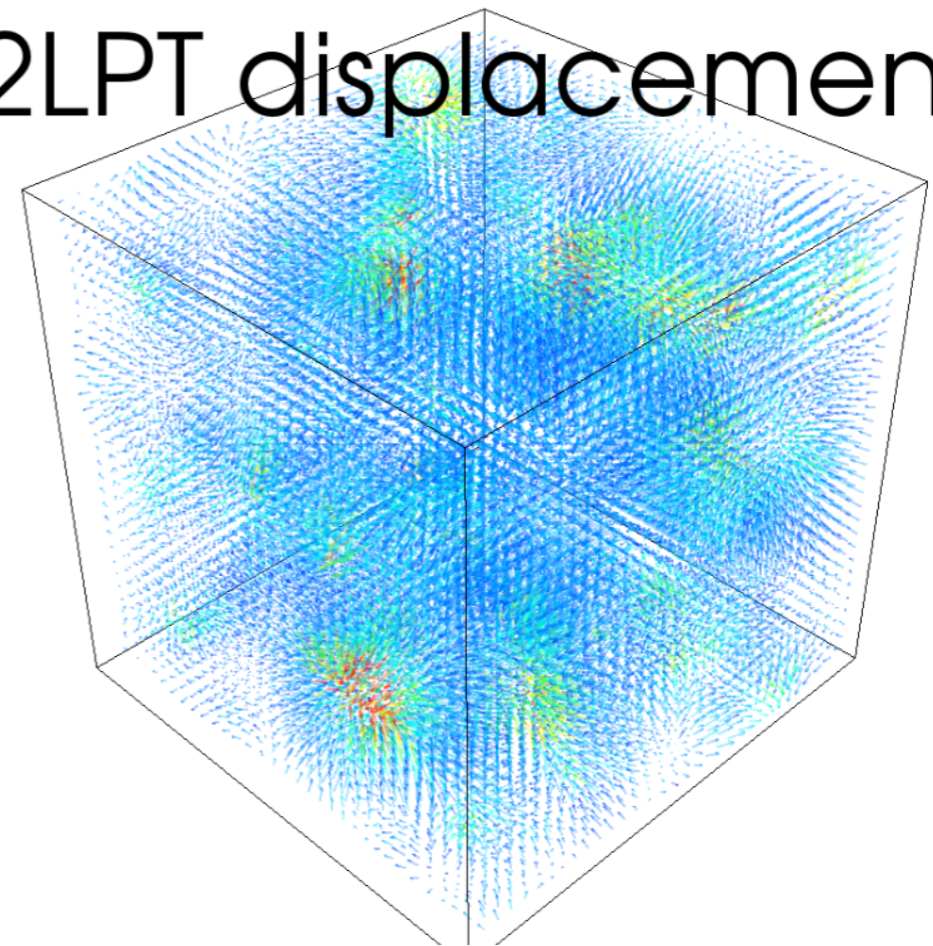
We will show the errors in displacement field, predicted by  
Our benchmark model (2LPT), and our ML model  
Displacement field is the difference  
between current position to the initial position of the particles



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Benchmark (2LPT)  
prediction errors

2LPT displacement

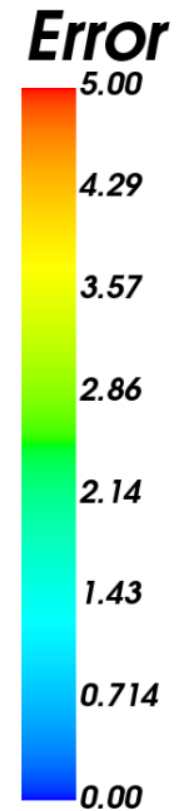


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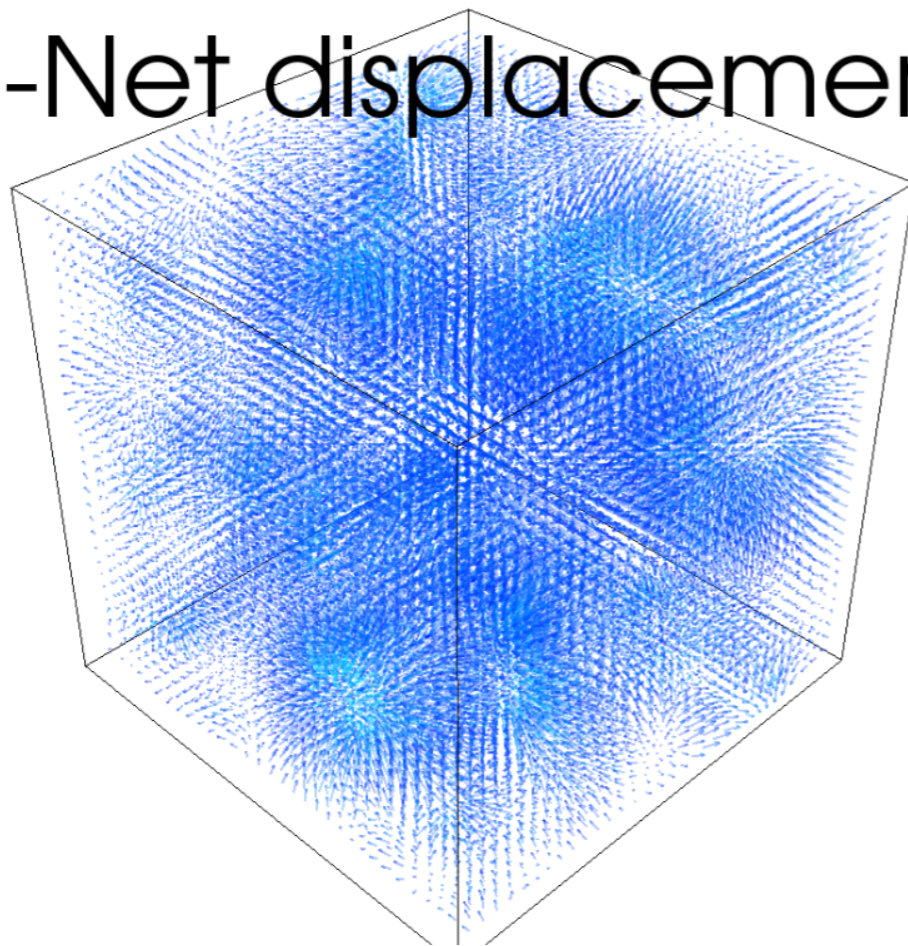
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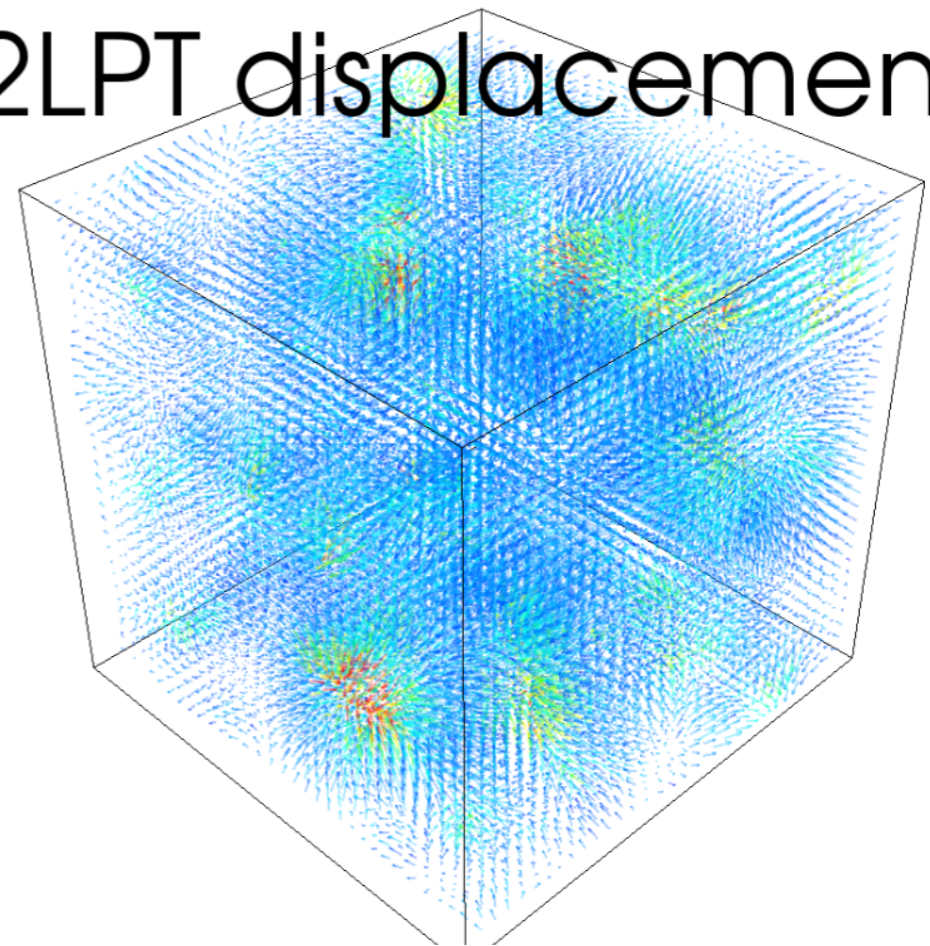


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U-Net displacement



2LPT displacement



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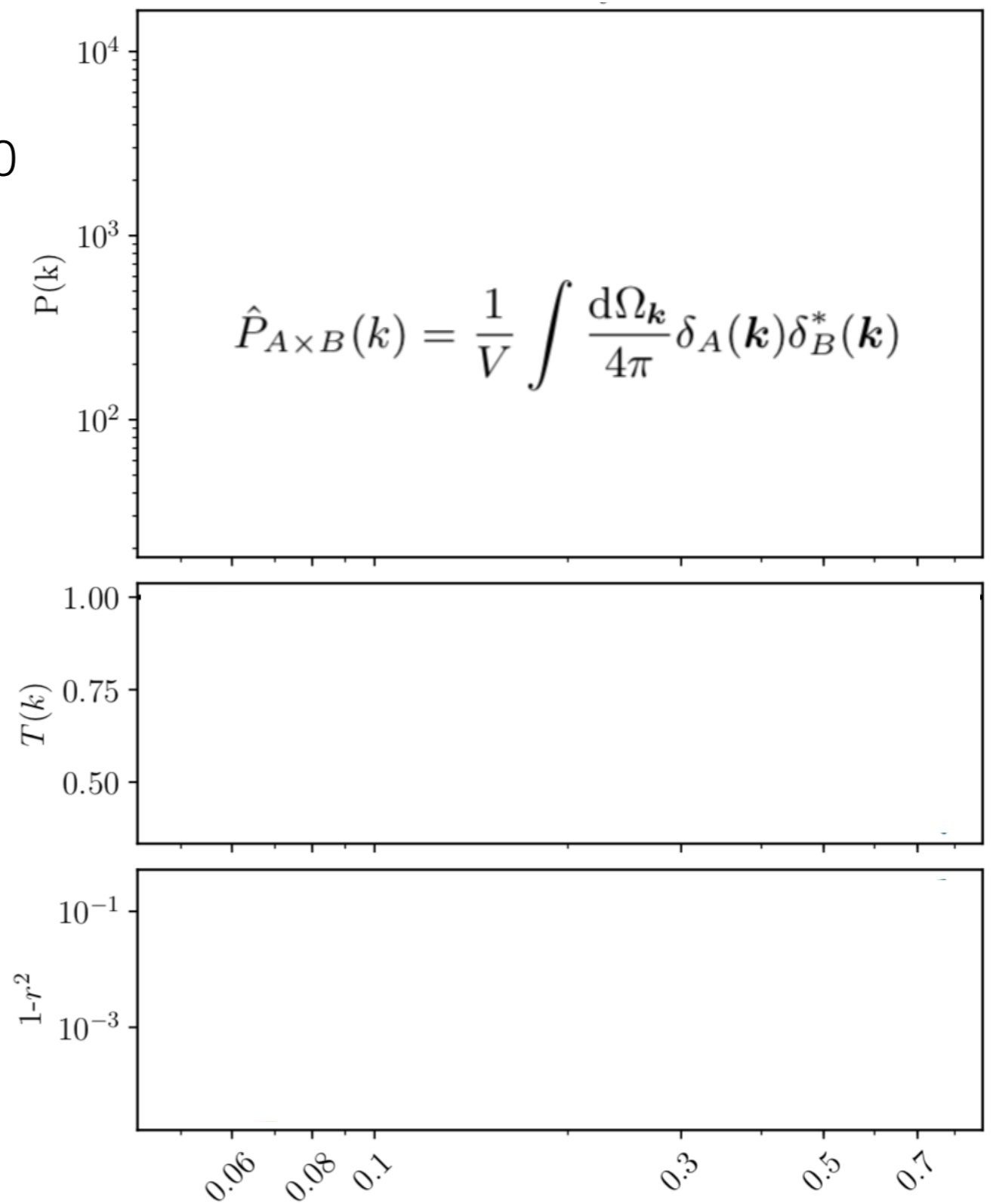
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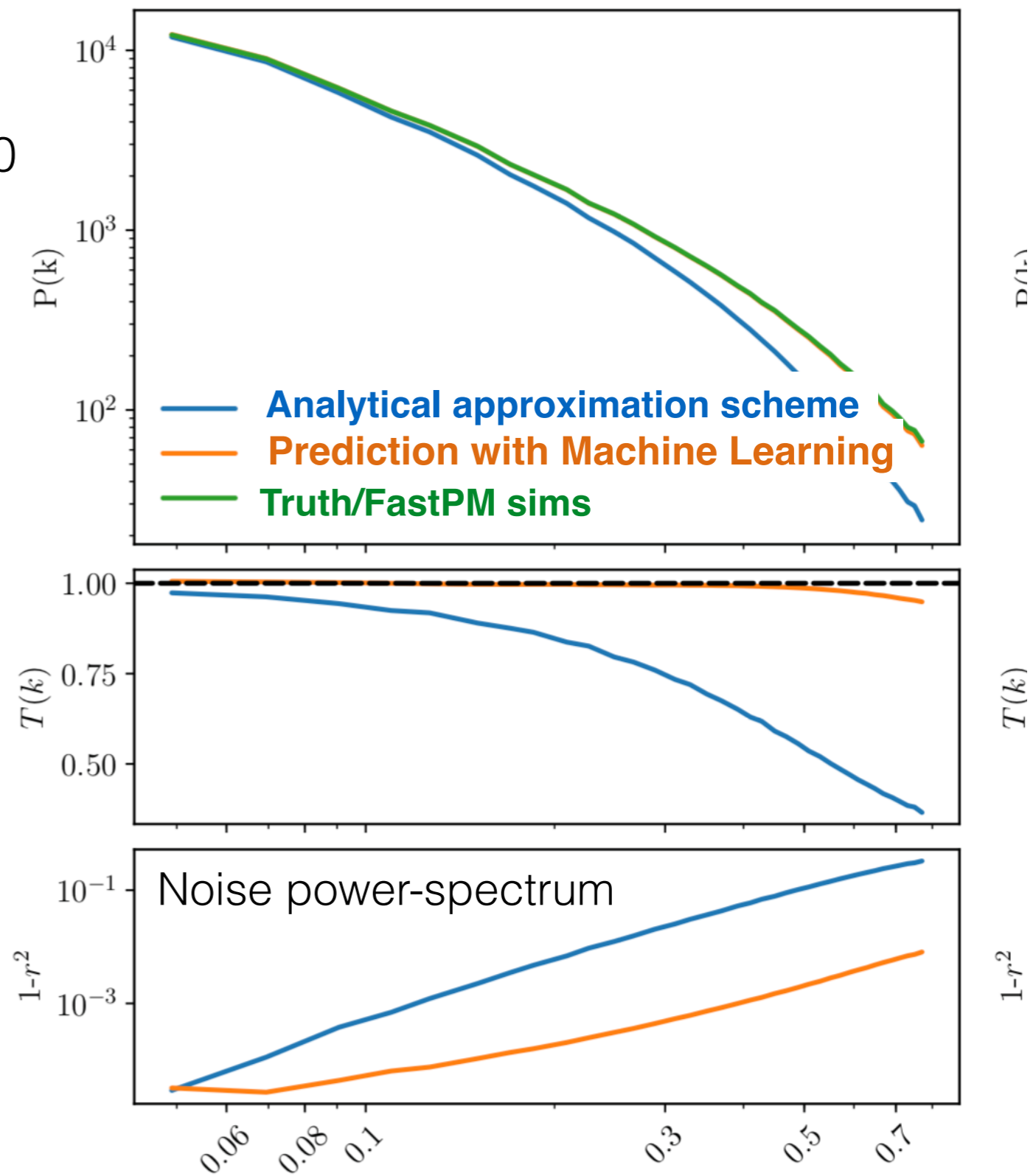
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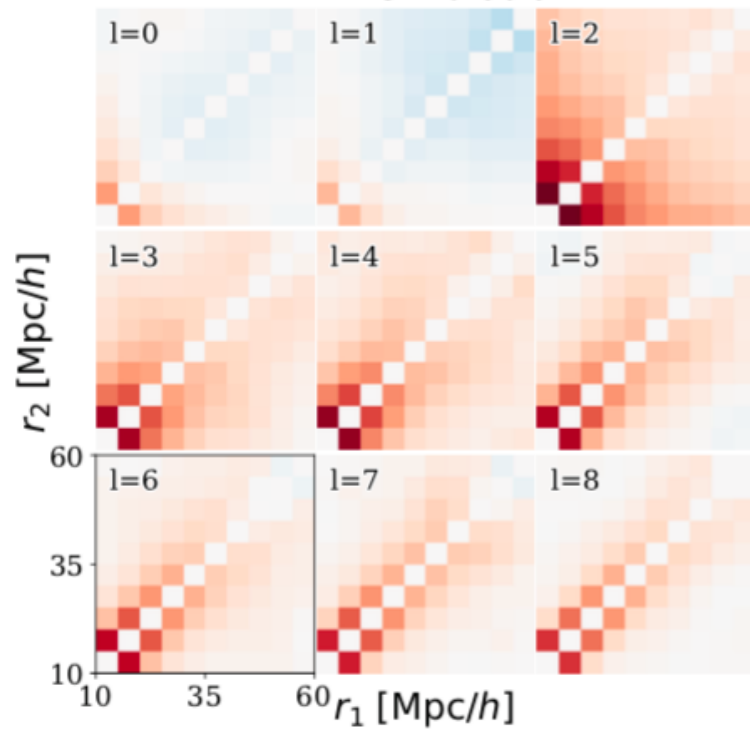
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- We checked on the 2-point function, seems like the model is predicting well.
- Then you asked: well, 2-point function is easy, if we have information that is non-gaussian, you want to test more than 2-point function.
- How about 3 point function?

# Projected multipoles of 3 point correlation function

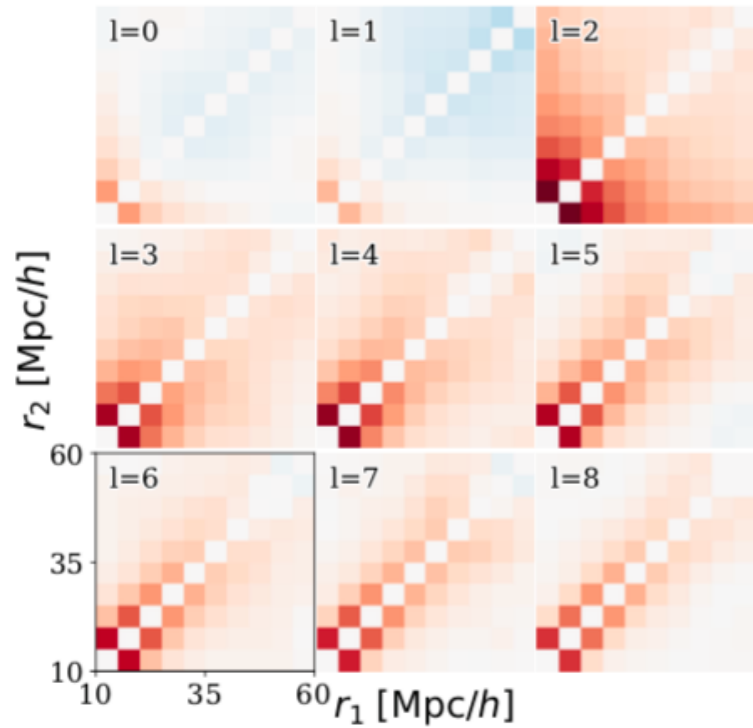
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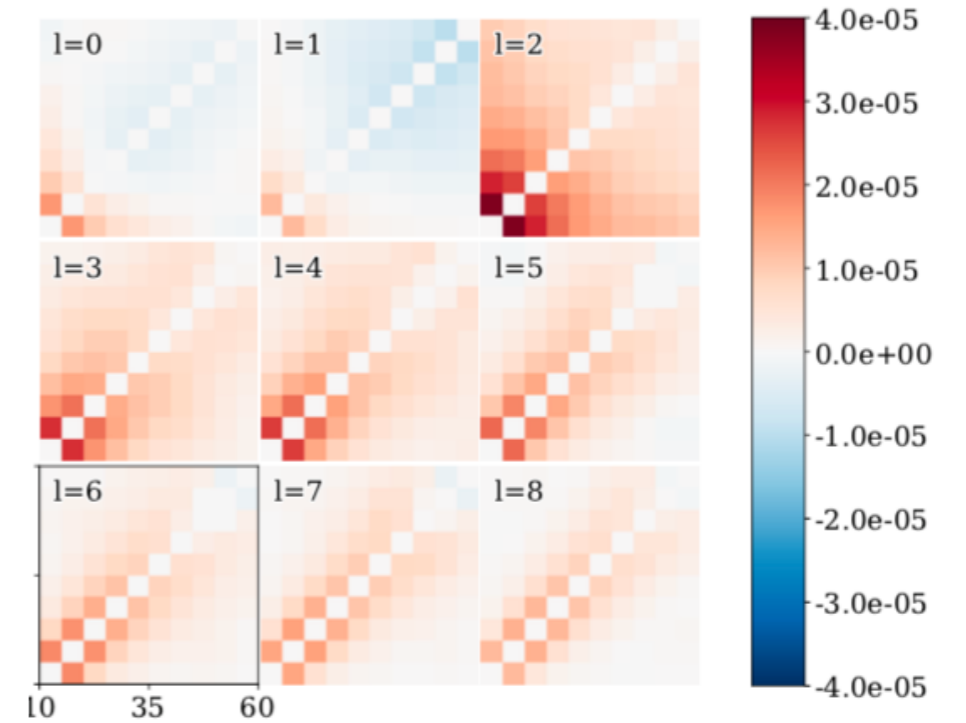
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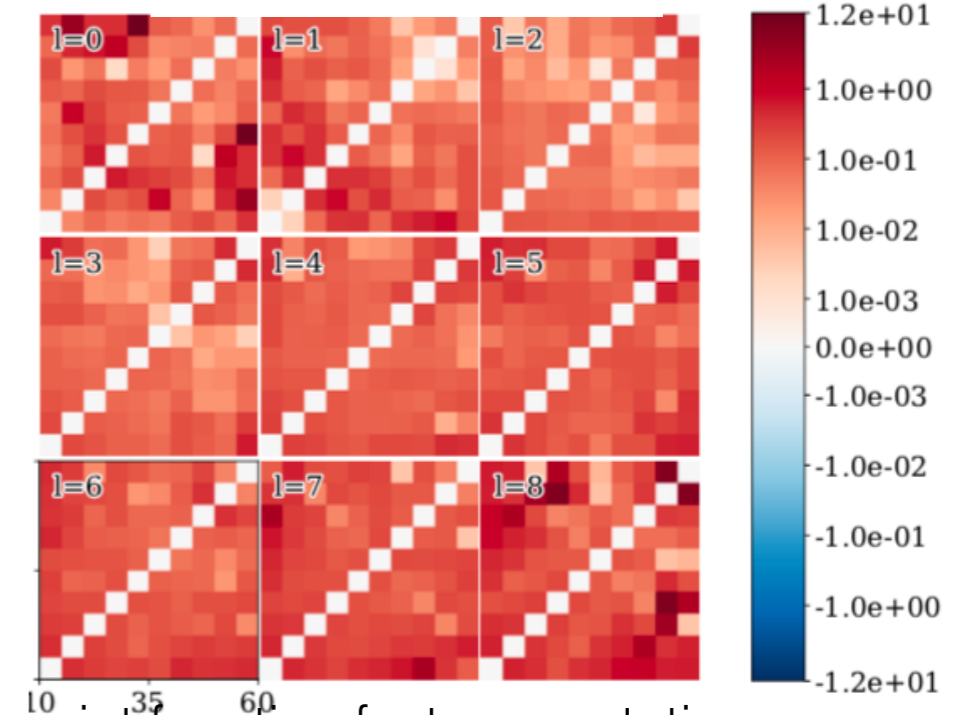
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Benchmark



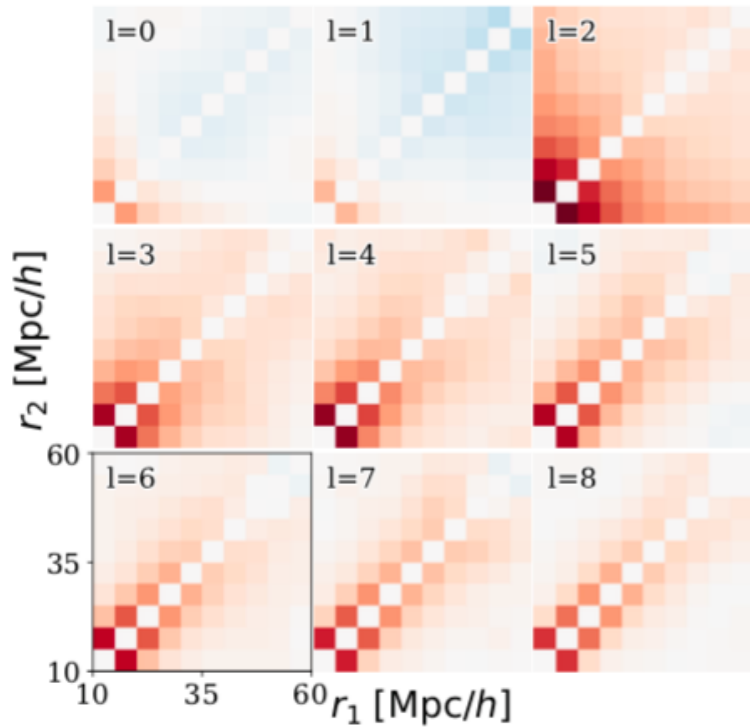
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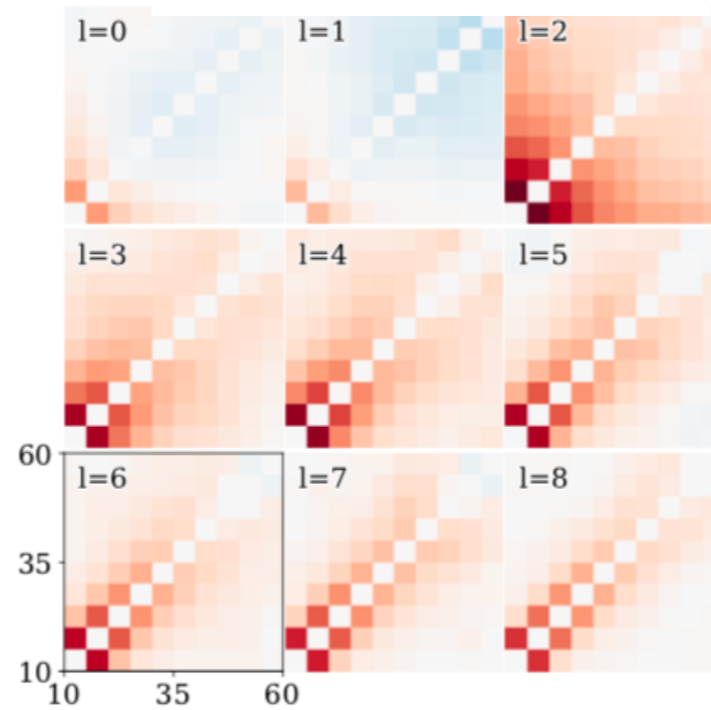
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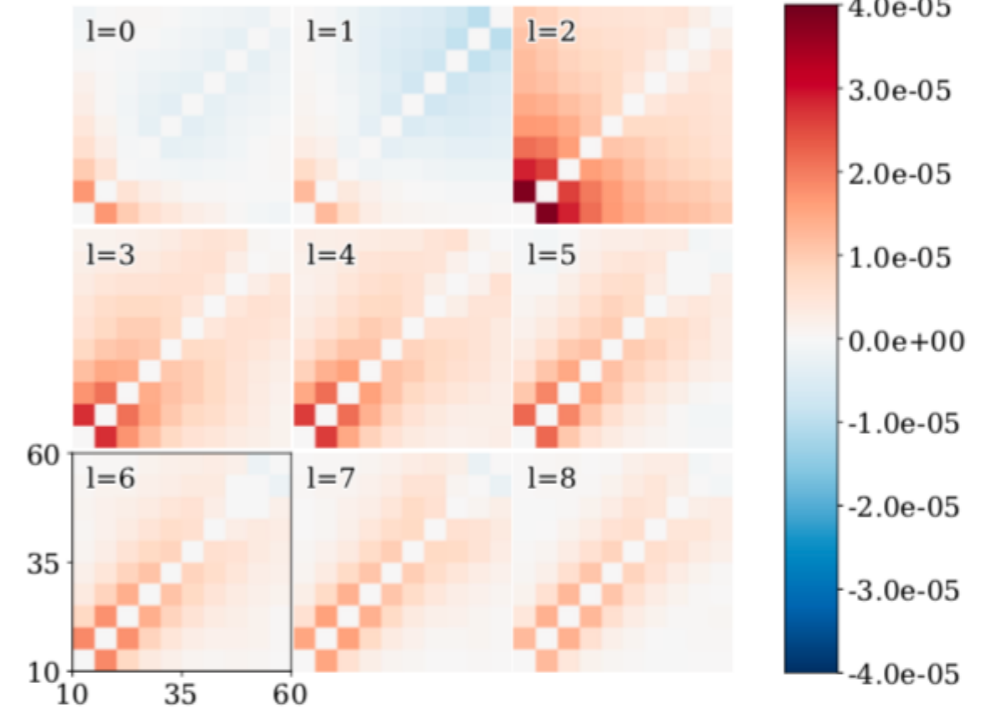
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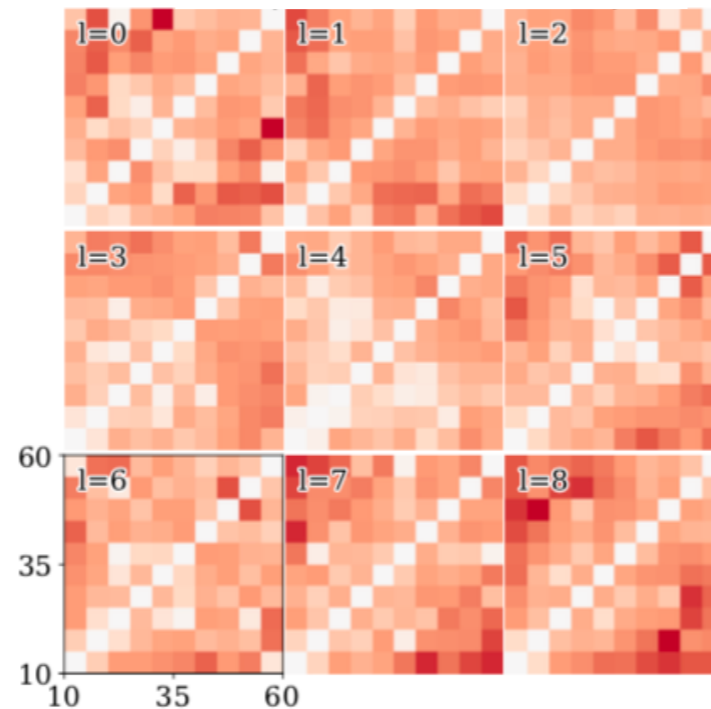
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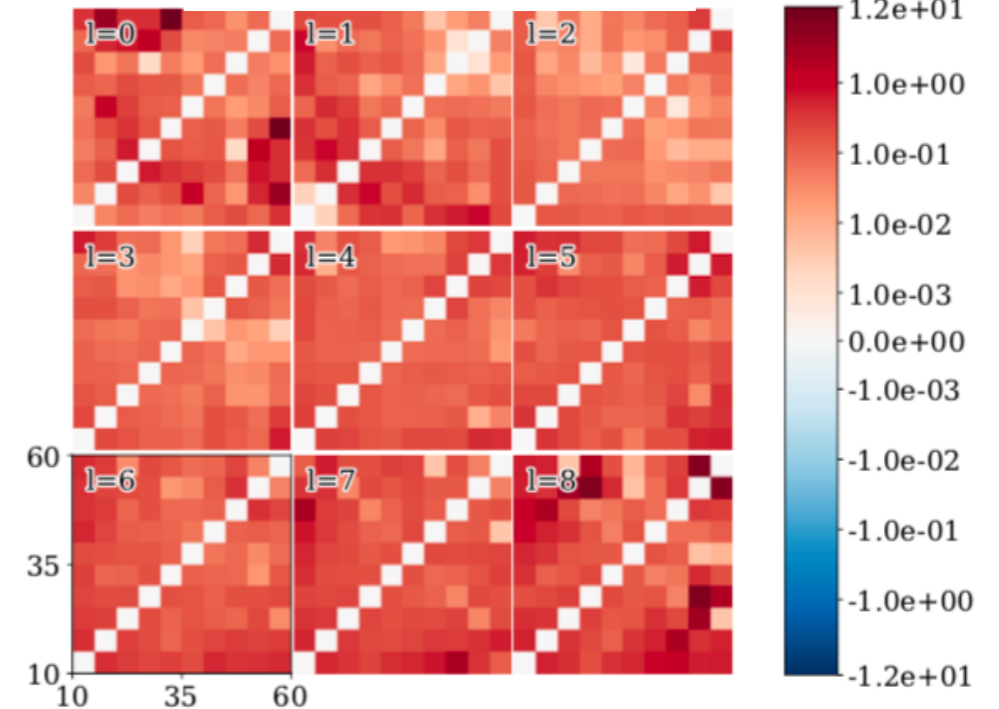
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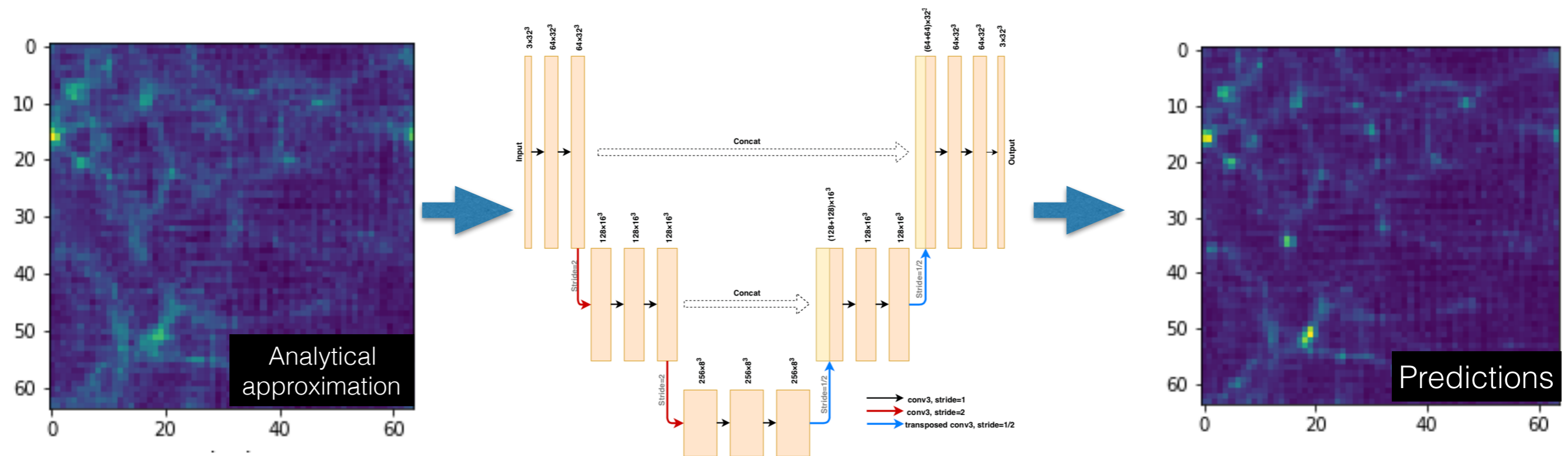
- Analyze what the network has learned by decomposing the **input** into different **Fourier modes** and look at the **predicted power-spectra** of these modes.
- Different Fourier modes in the following form:

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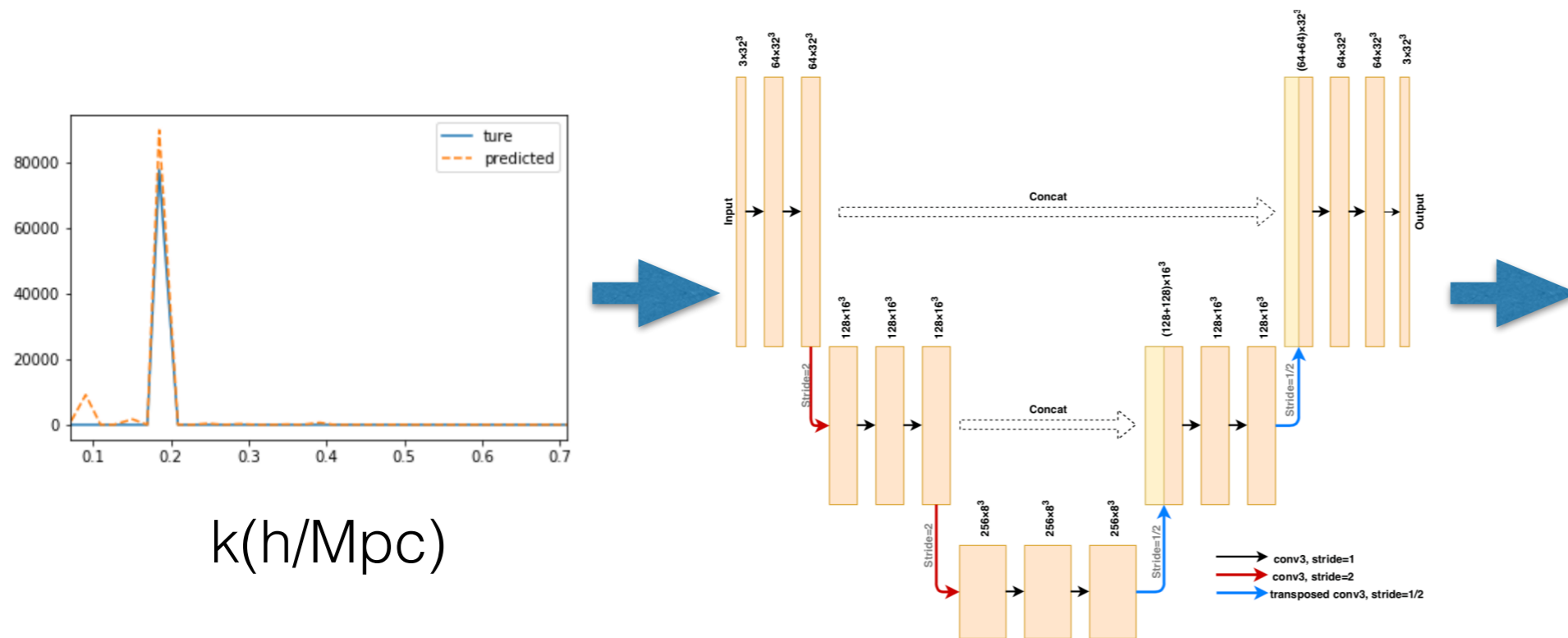


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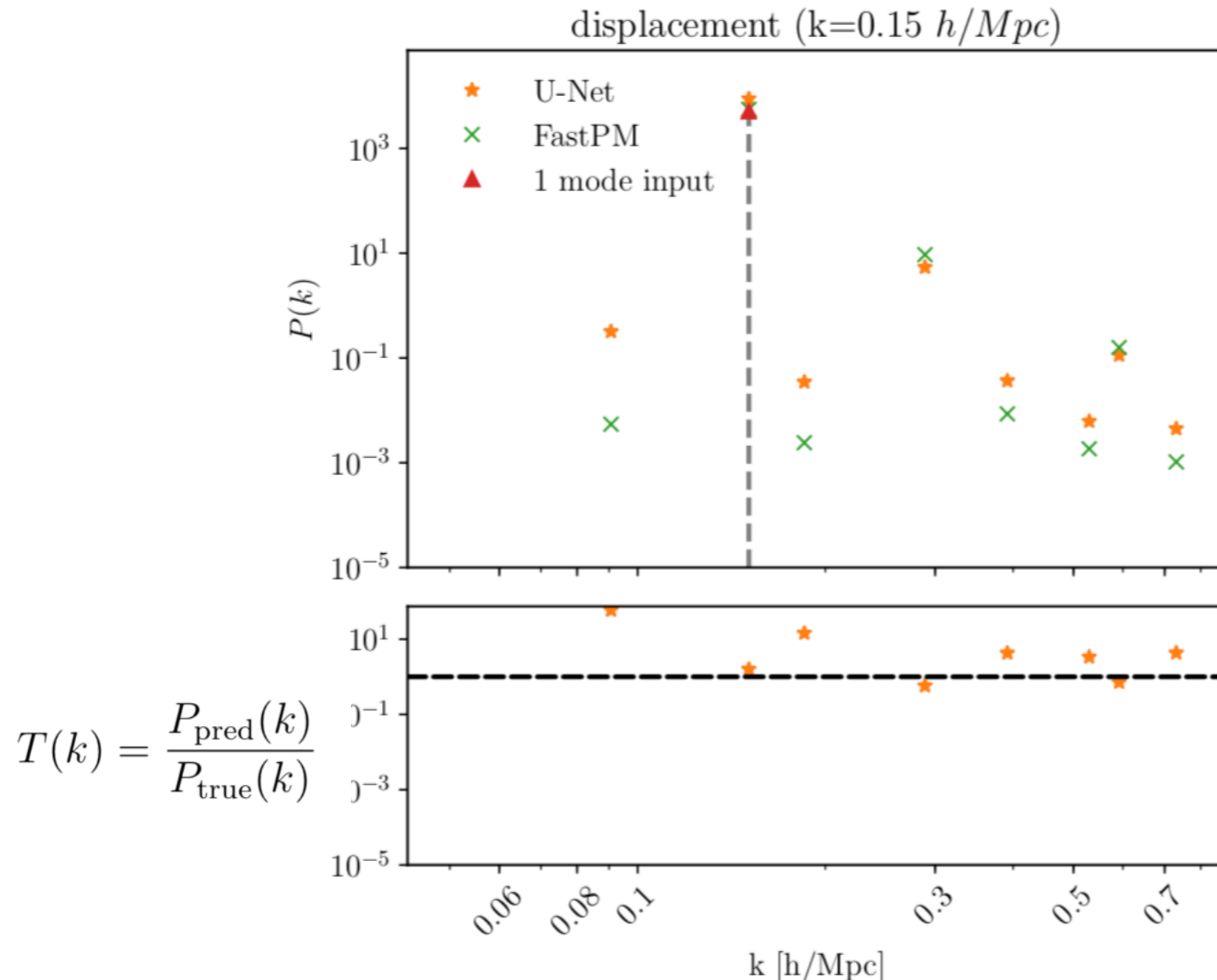


$k(\text{h/Mpc})$

Inject Power  
at one scale as input

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The transfer function shows that the U-Net model captures quite well at the dominate scale, which indicates the U-Net model is able to capture scale information. The U-Net model also captures the other modes of FastPM that are two orders smaller than the dominant mode and come from the numerical artifact of FastPM simulations.

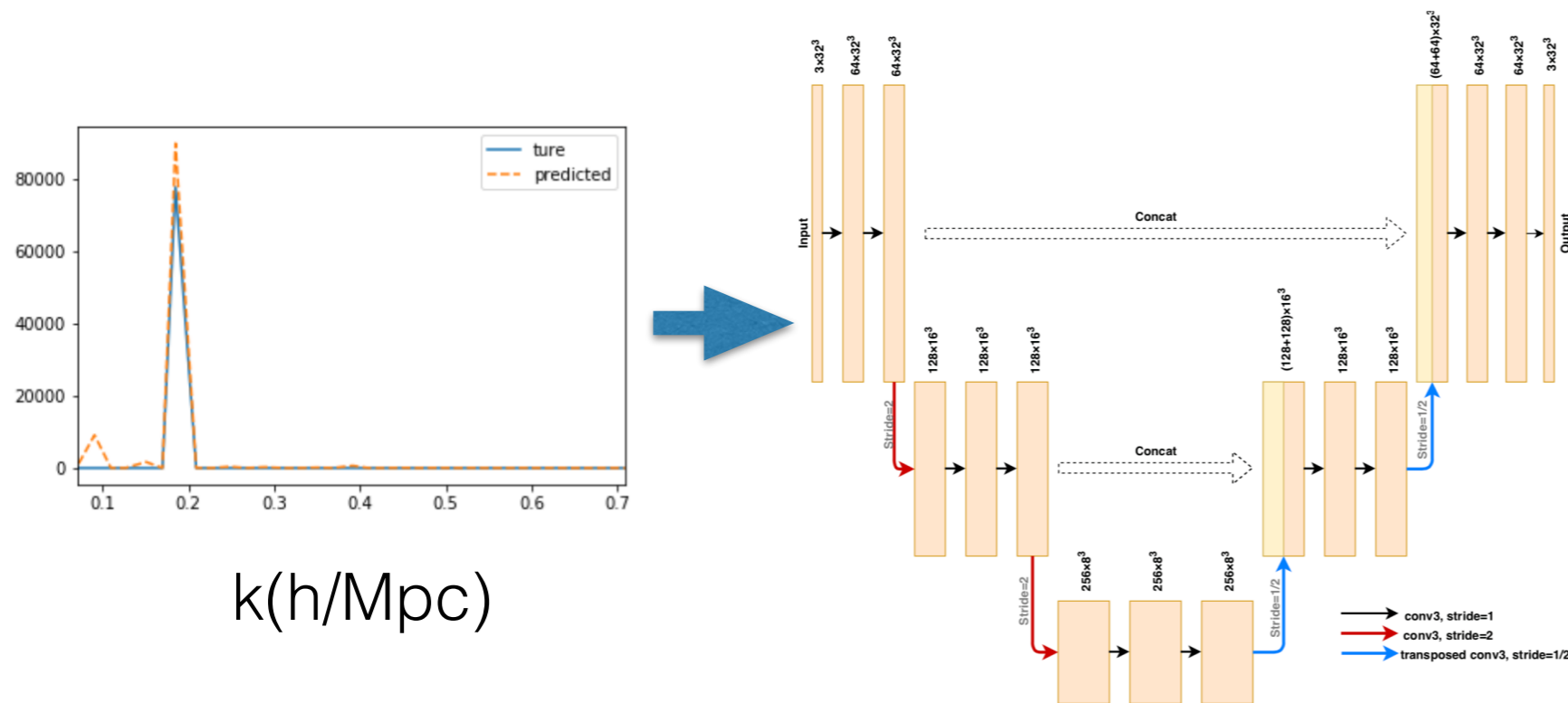


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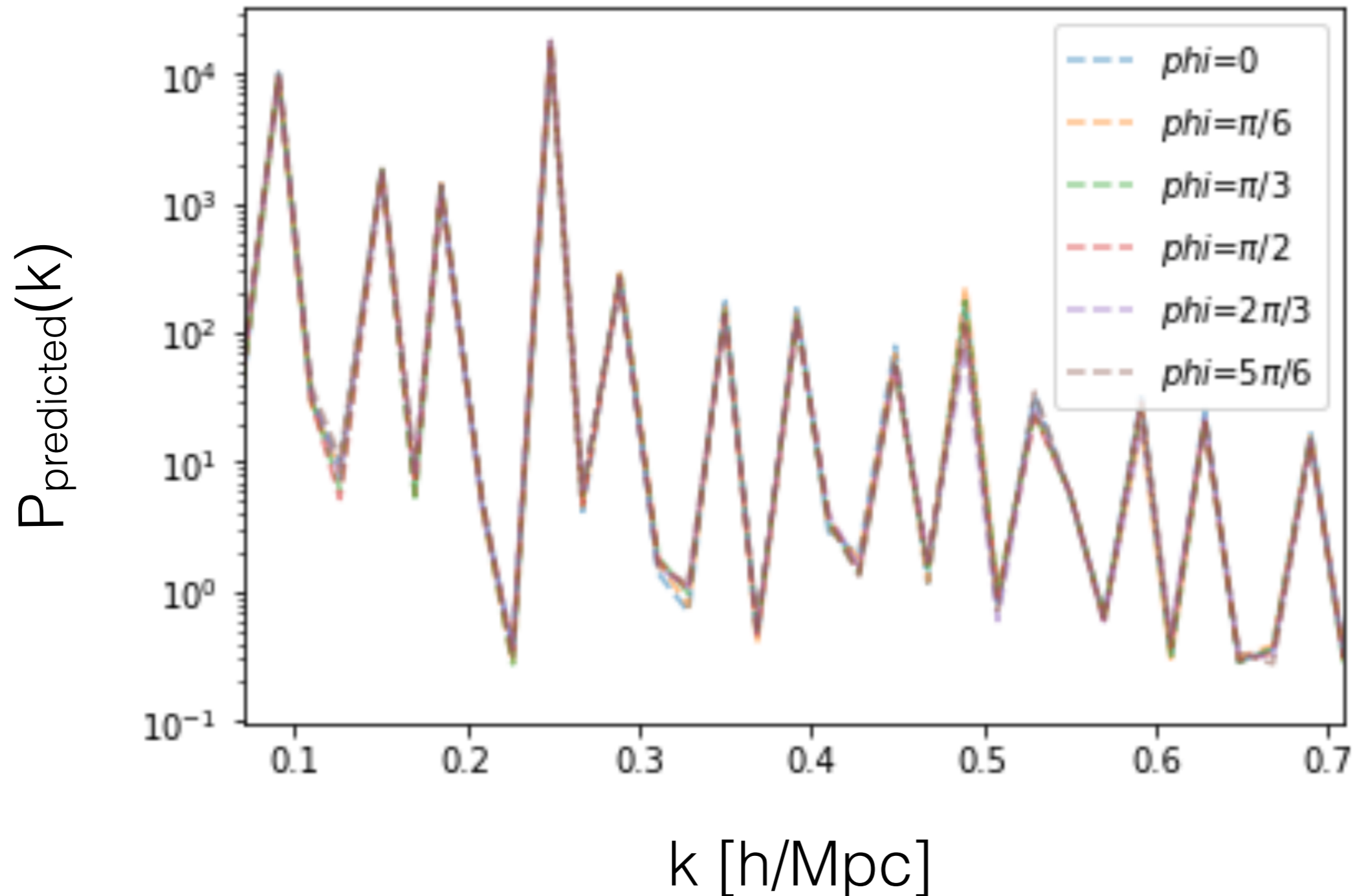
Prediction



Inject Power  
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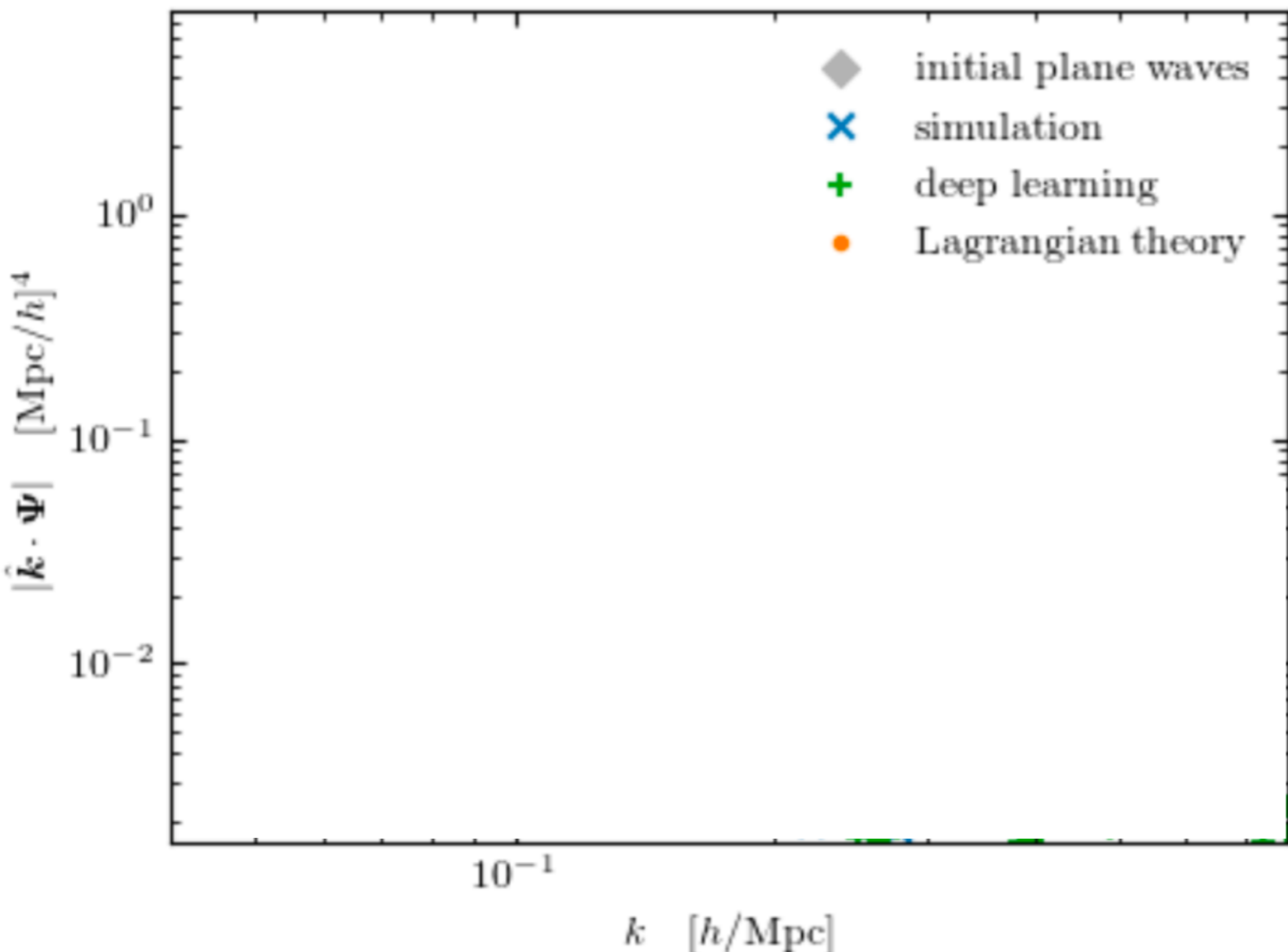
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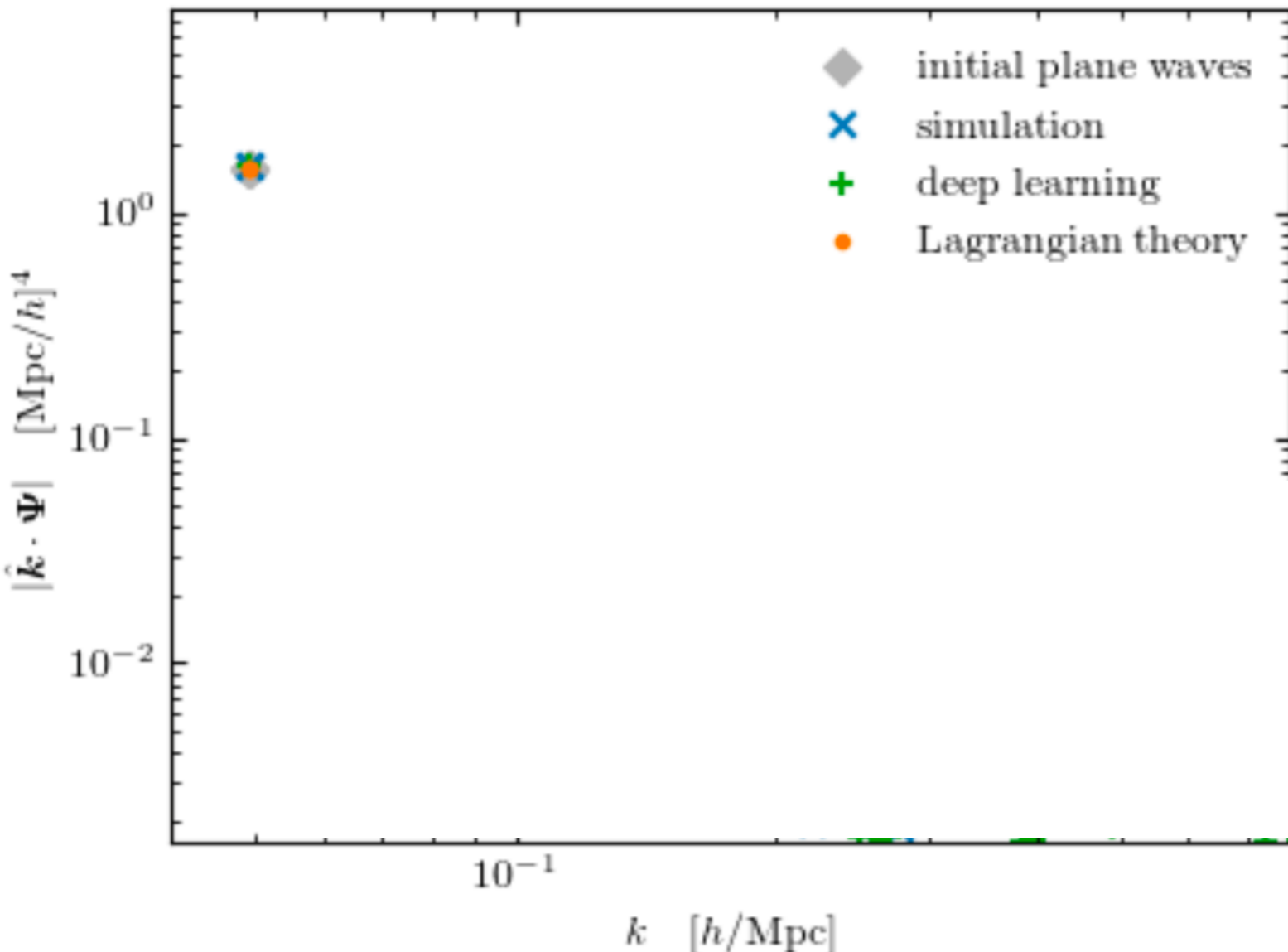


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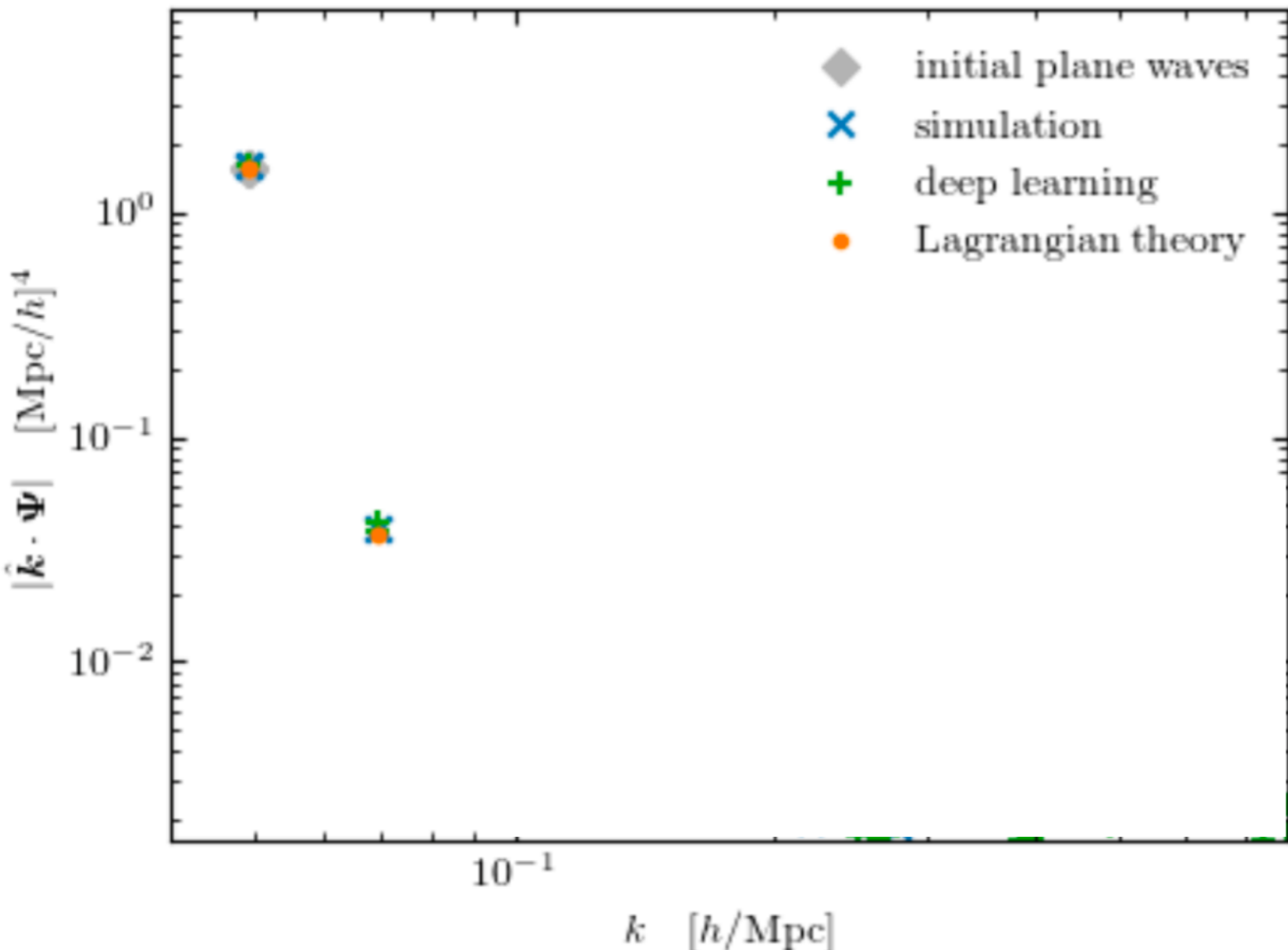


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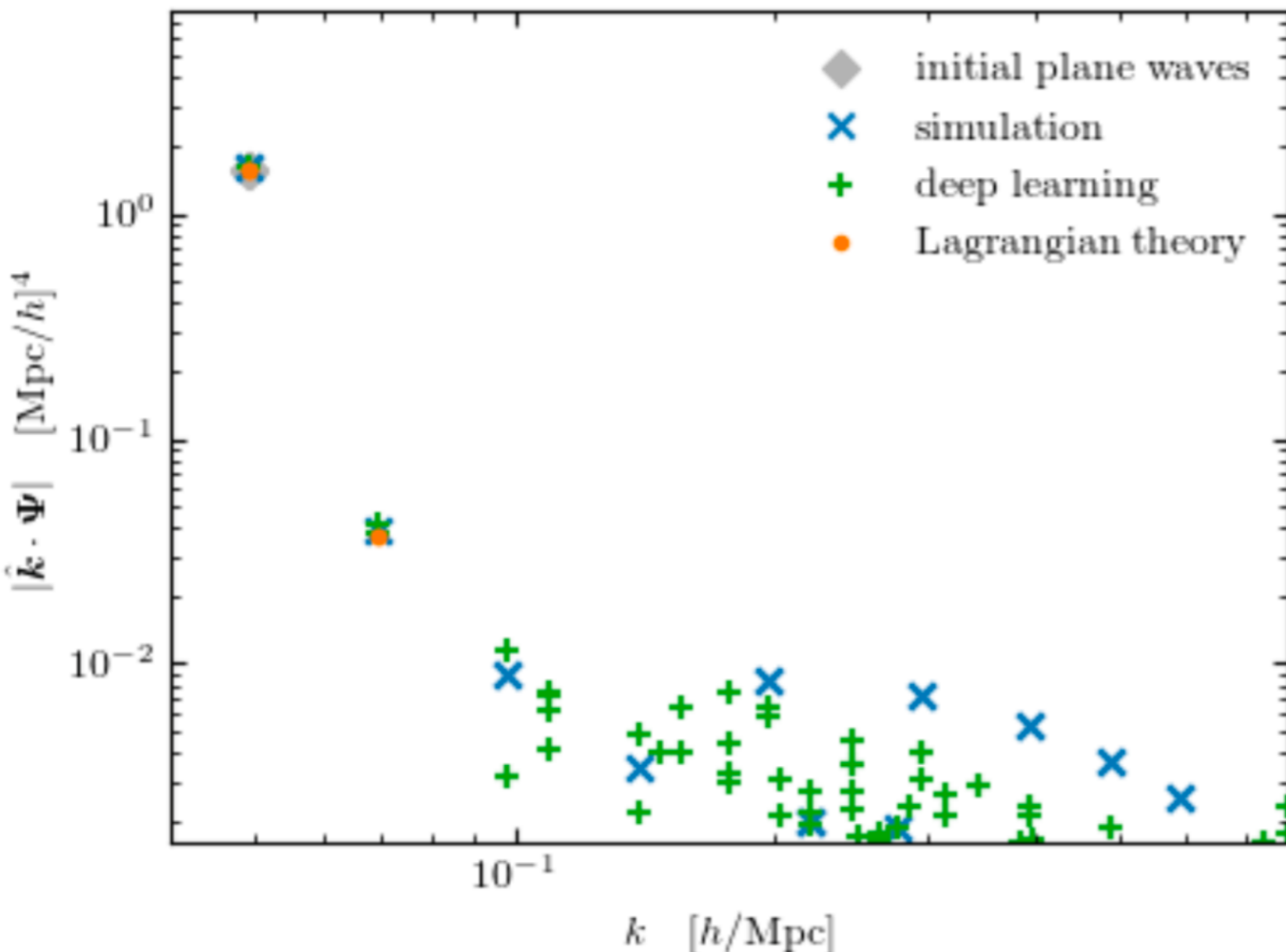


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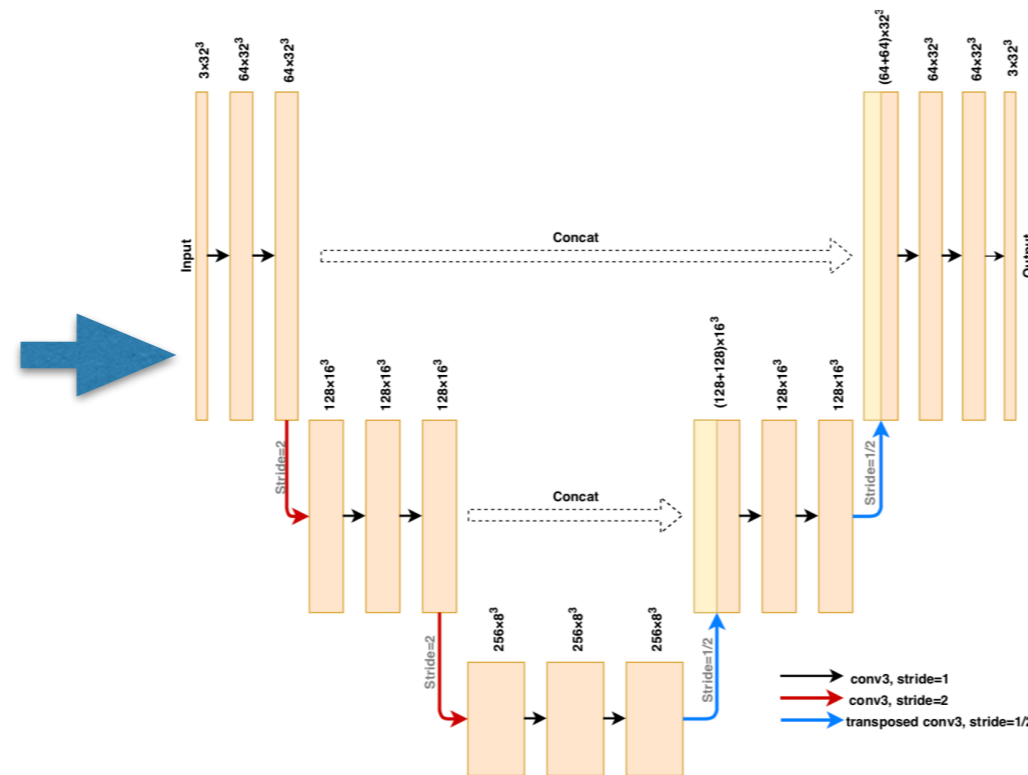
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Prediction

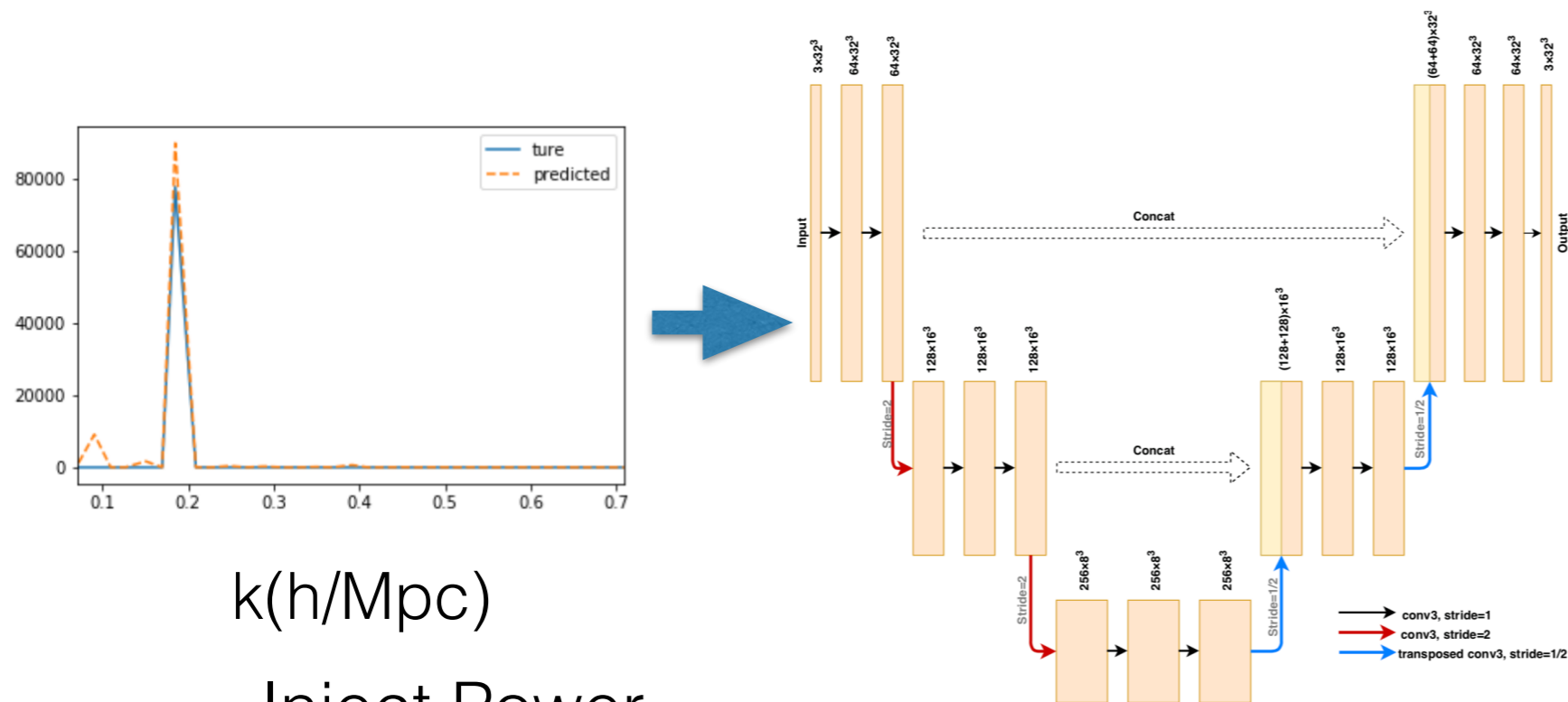


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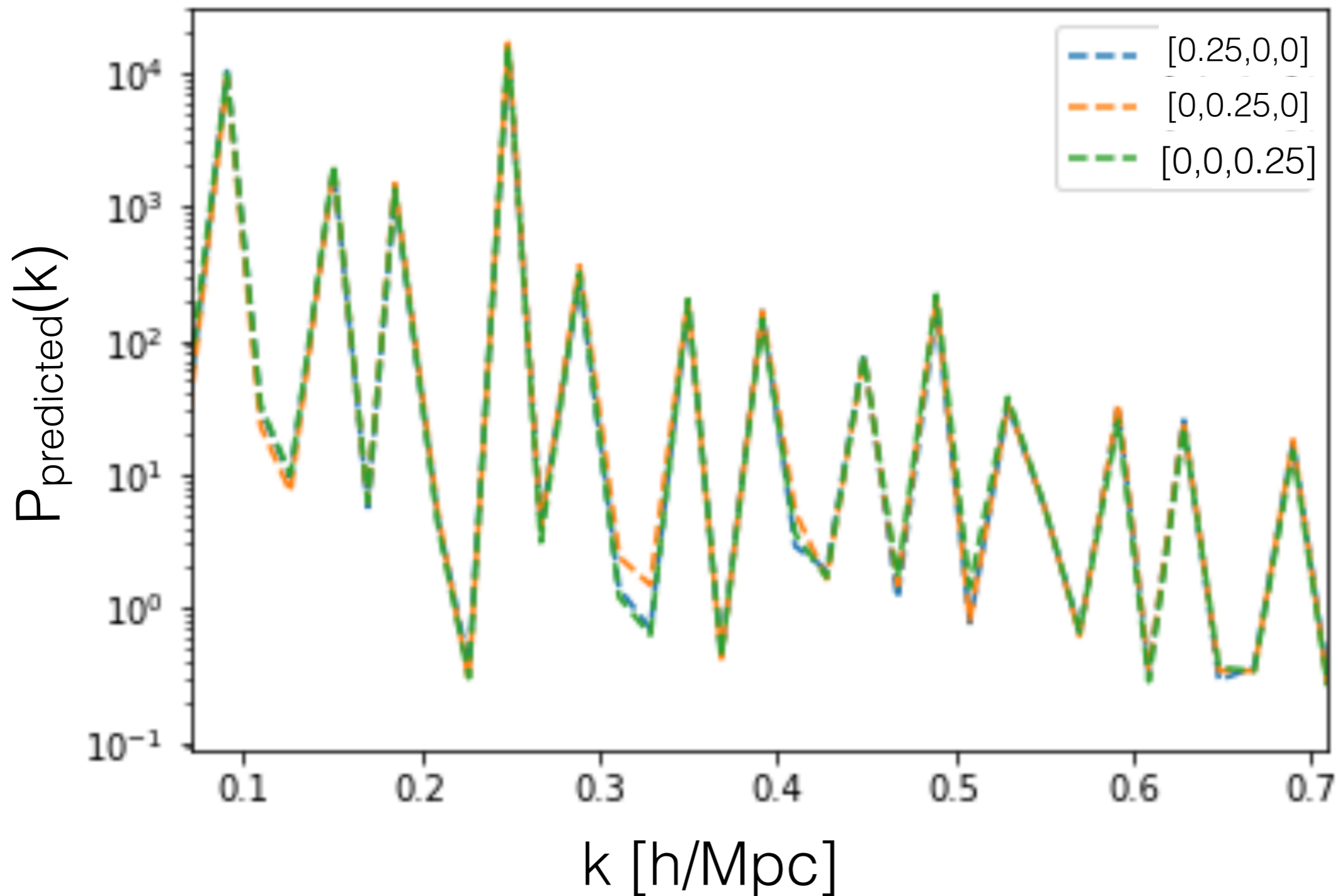
Prediction



Inject Power  
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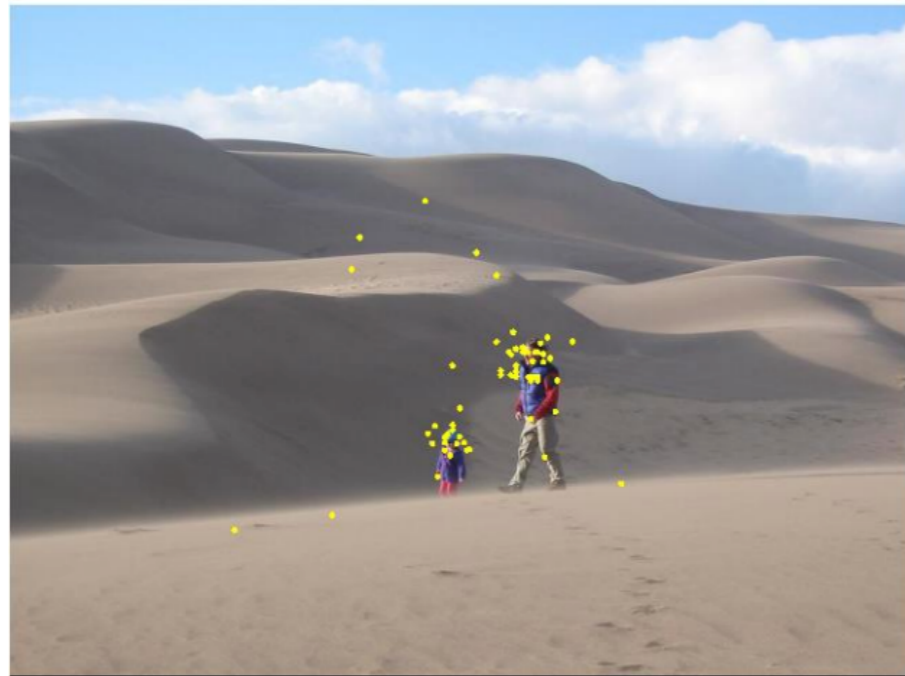


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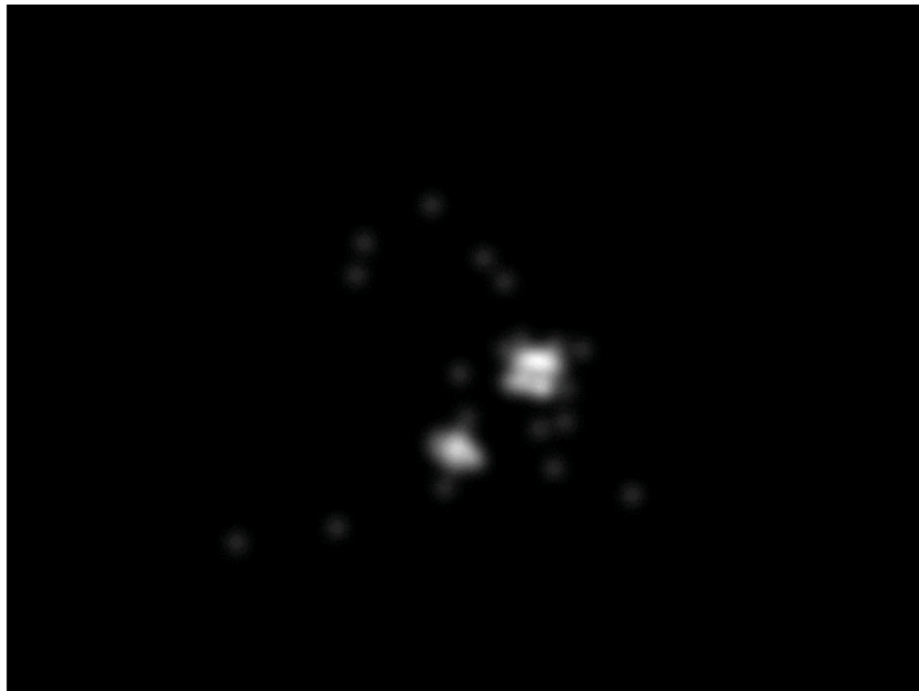
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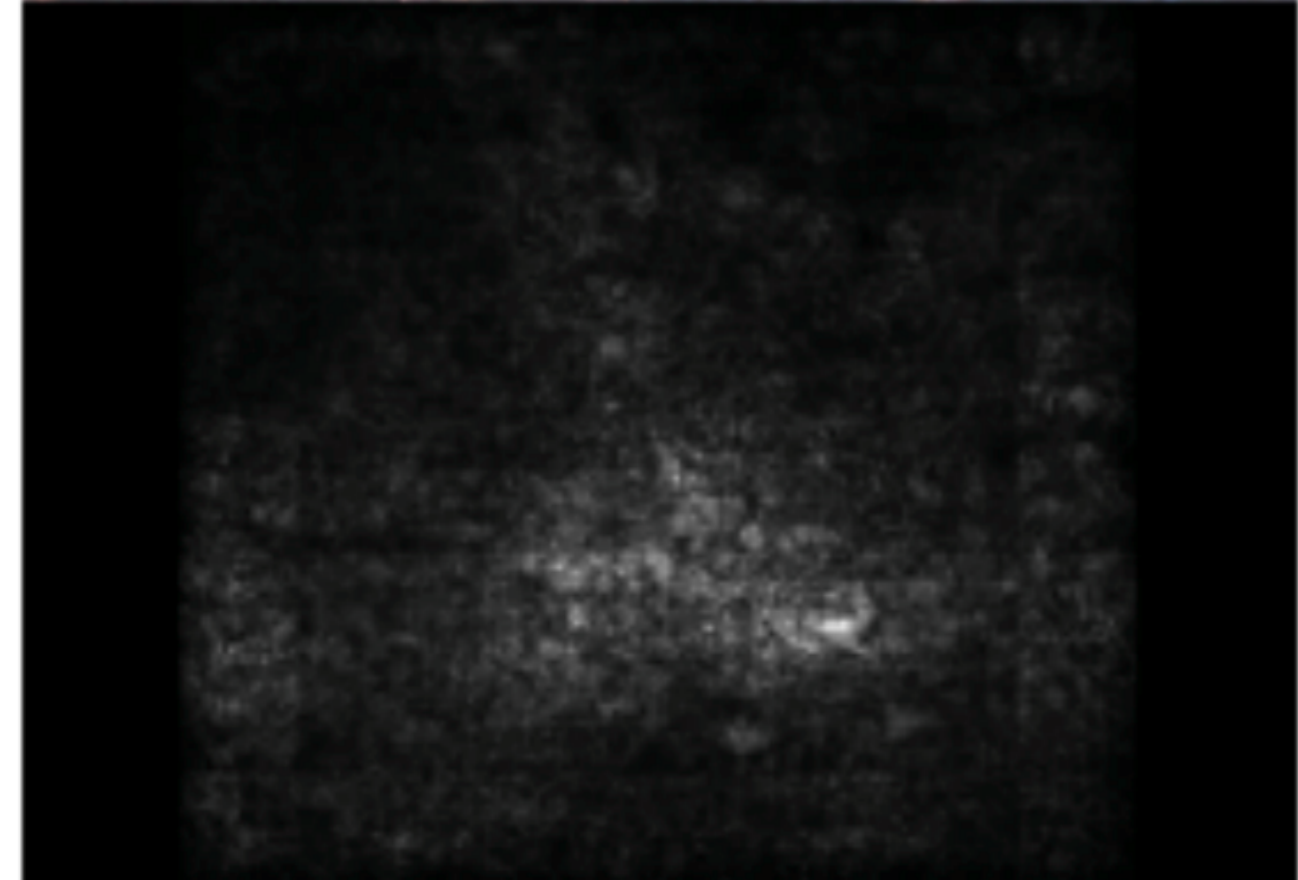


saliency map

- Introducing Saliency map
- Plots the derivative of the output with respect to the input

$$S_c(I) \approx w^T I + b,$$

$$w = \left. \frac{\partial S_c}{\partial I} \right|_{I_0}.$$

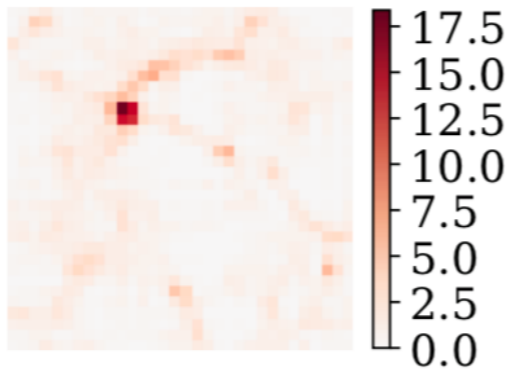


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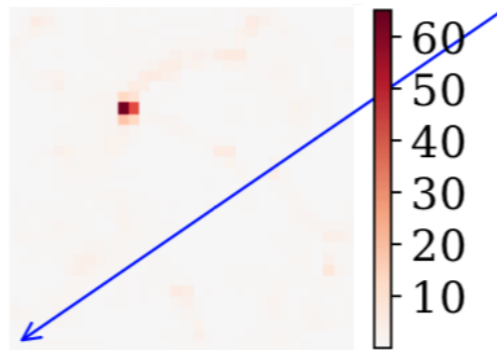


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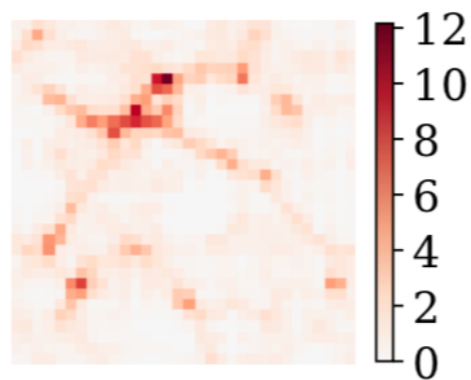
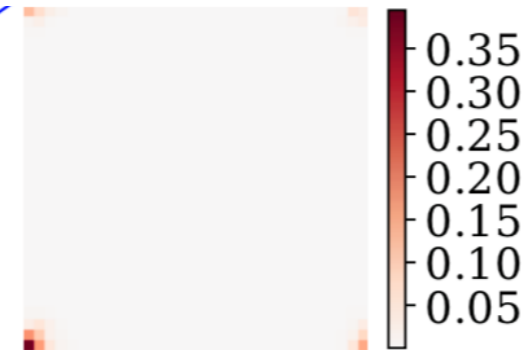
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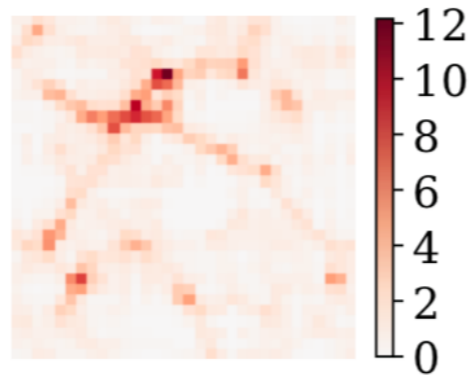
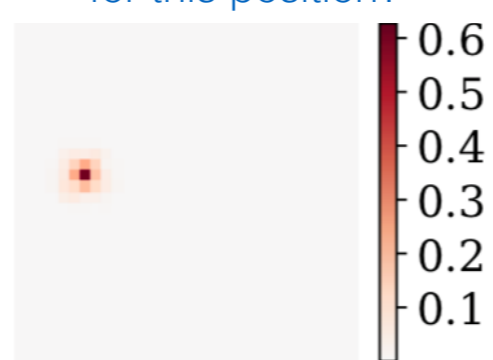
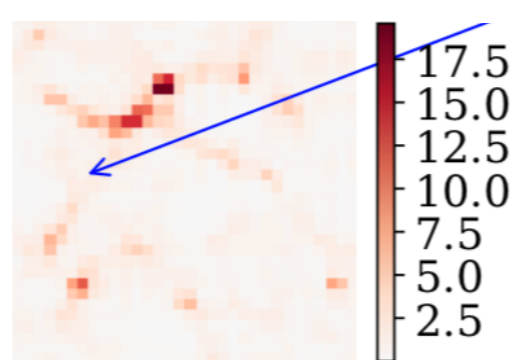
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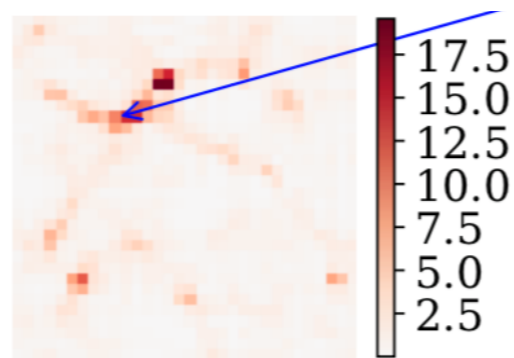
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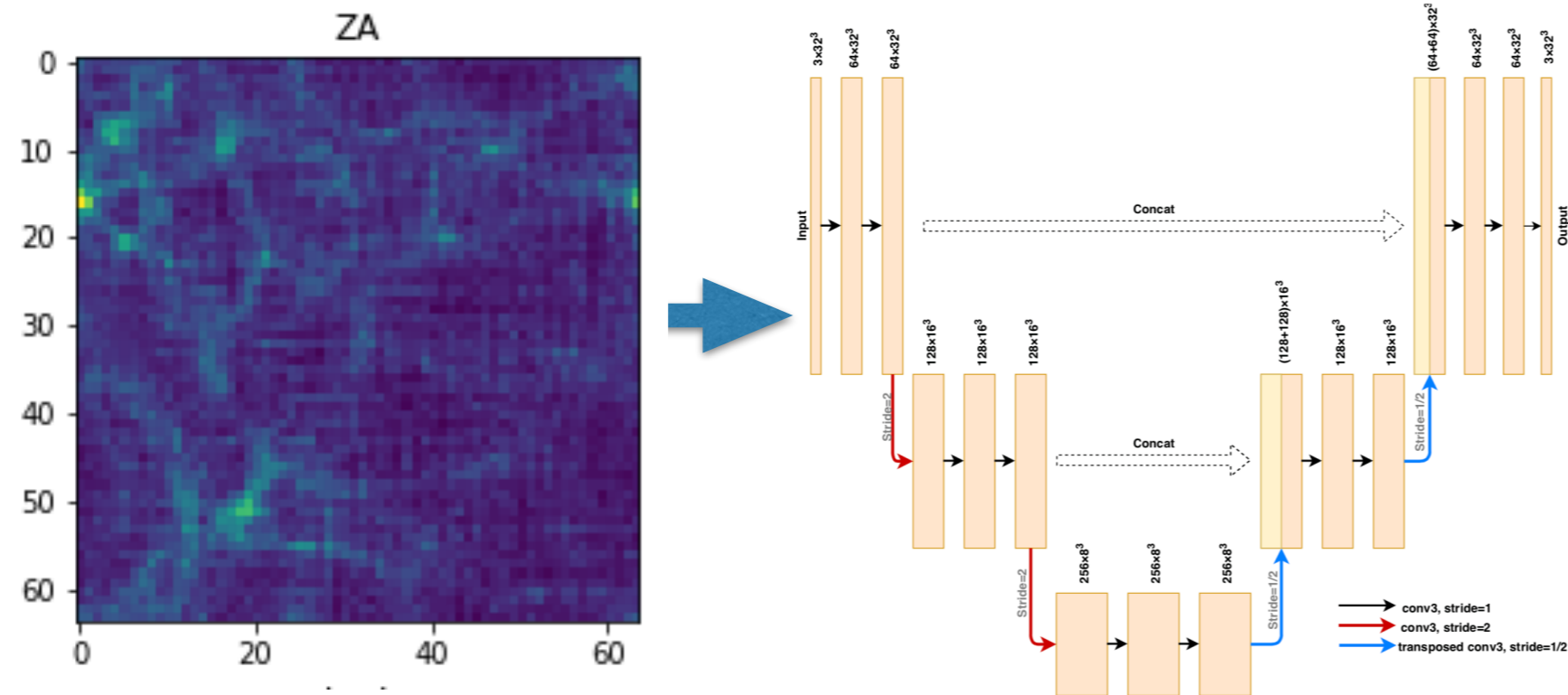


# Interrogating the machine learning model IV

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Input

Prediction



ZA maps of Different cosmology

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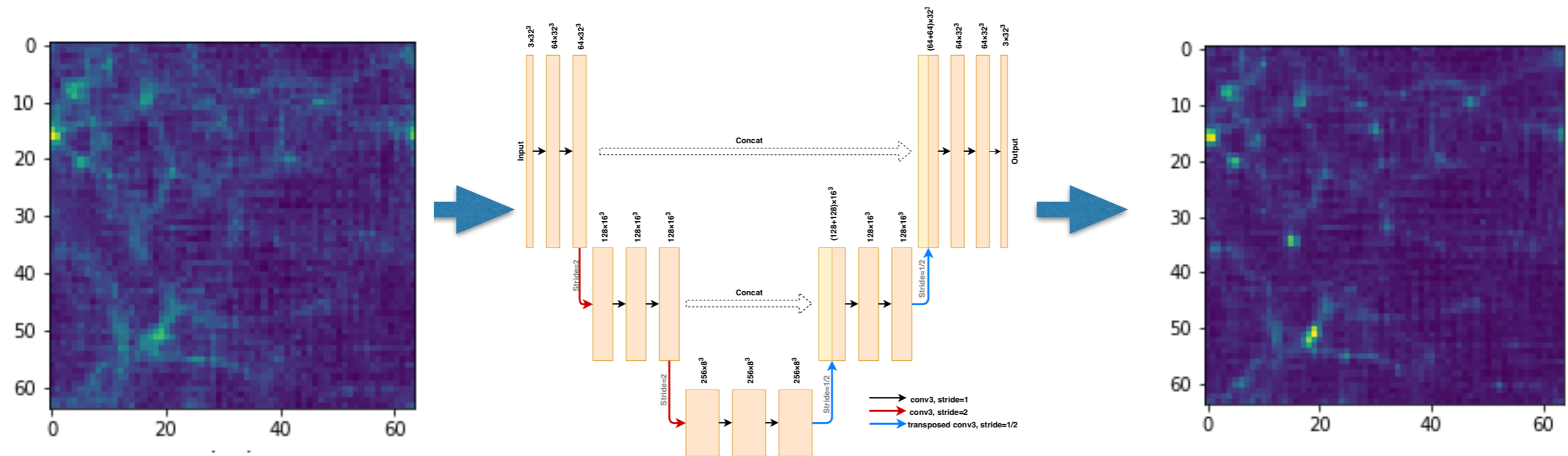
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## UNET

Input

Slight variant to Residual NN

Prediction



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Can the learned model “extrapolate” and predict simulations that do not have the same Cosmological parameters?

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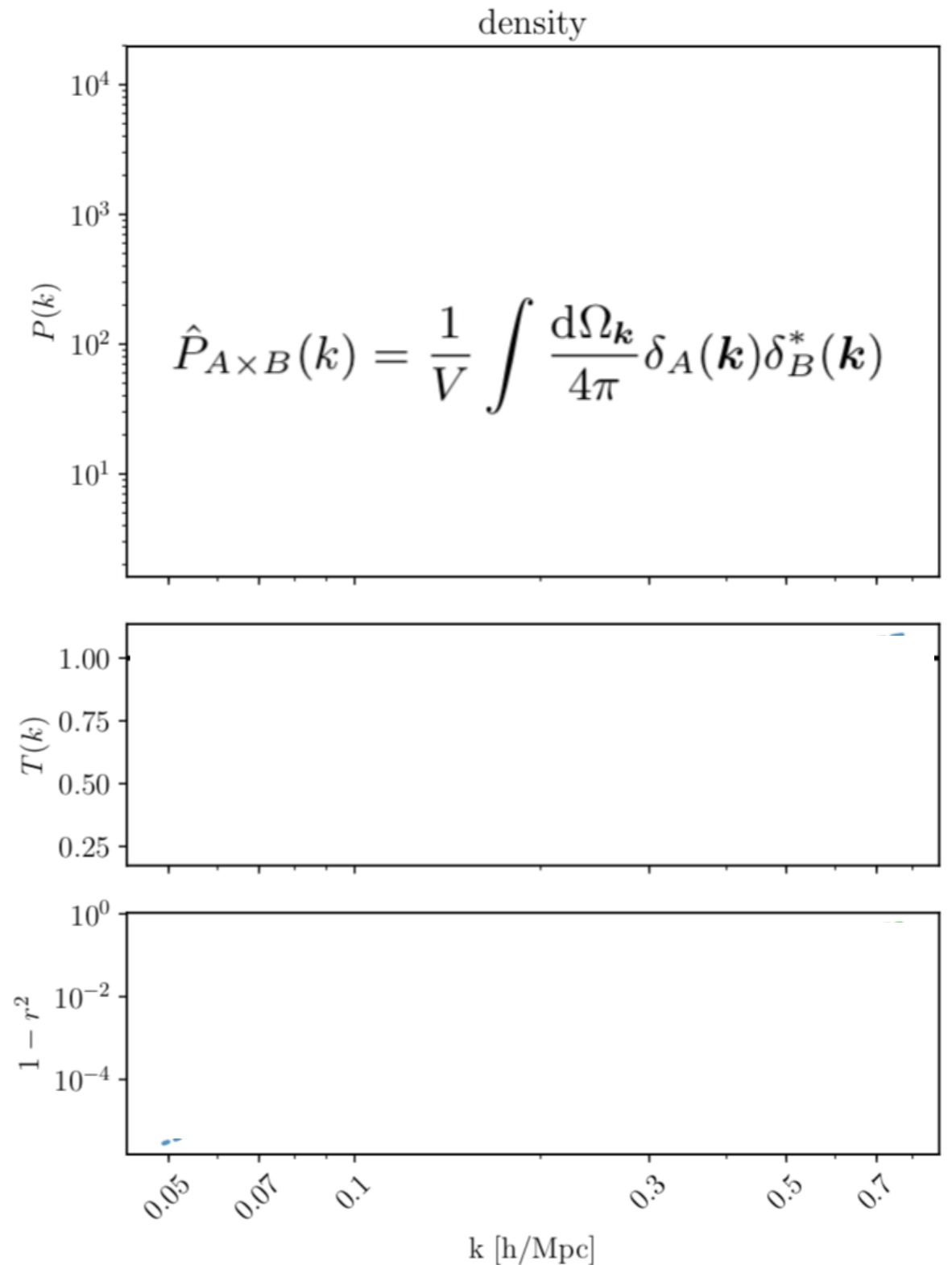
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**Solid Line: Simulation /Truth**

**Long Dashed line: Prediction using ML**

**Short Dashed Line: Analytical approximation (2LPT)**

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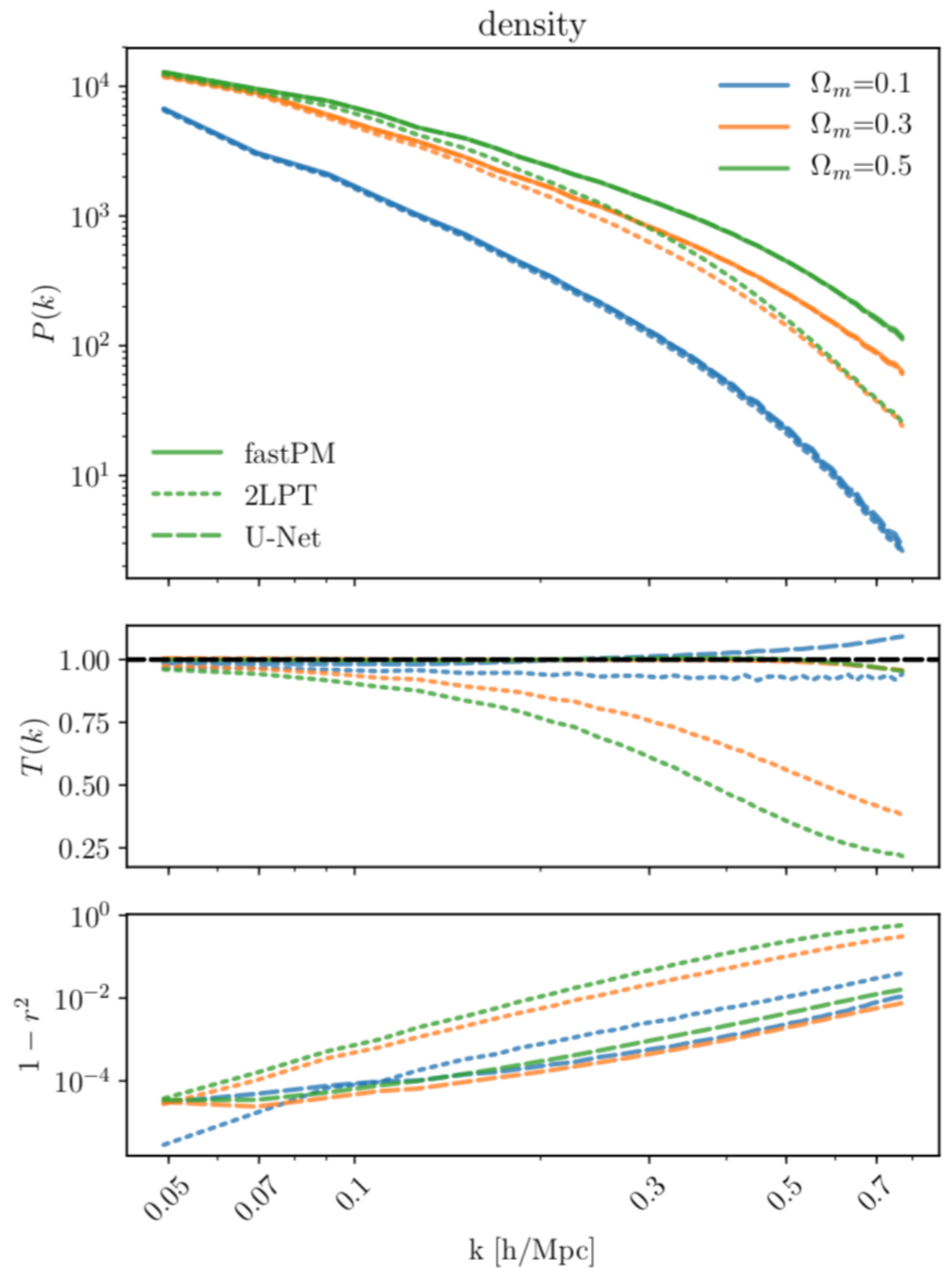
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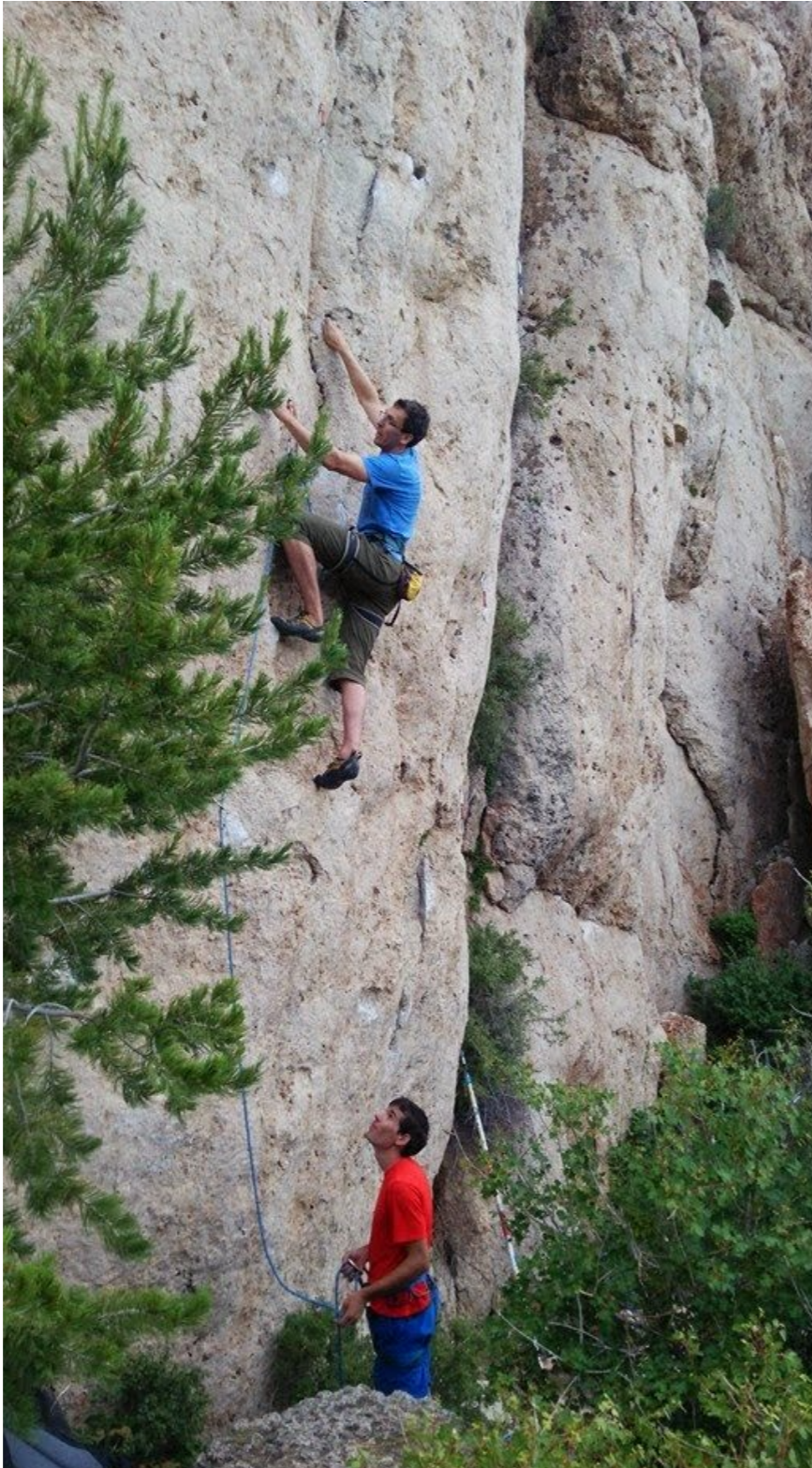


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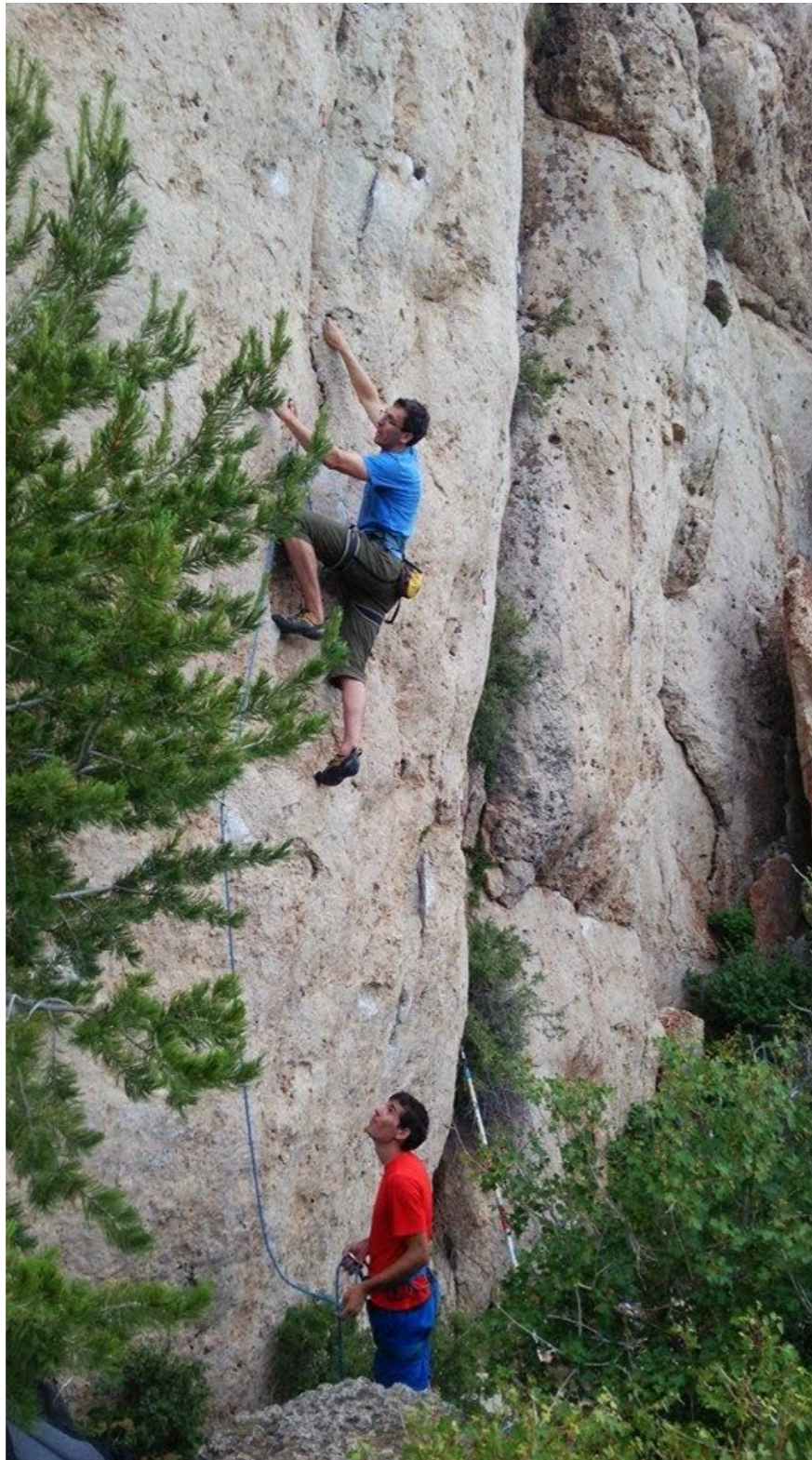
# What the heck happened?

- We didn't need to overlap the training set with test set.
- We did not explicitly use any transfer learning or meta-learning
- Maybe there is overlap in information somewhere between these universes?
- Maybe the Universe is fairly simple, so that the generalization and extrapolation by the network is 'easy'?
- Maybe I will finally get famous ?

# My possible climb to fame?



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- Understanding Machine Learning?
- Compressing the learned model into physical laws?
- Discover new laws of nature?

# Conclusions

- There is immense hype, and probably immense potential for Machine Learning in everything field today, ranging from playing Go, image recognition to health-care.
- We may be able to use machine learning to help advance physics and astrophysics
  - In cosmology, we used deep neural networks to predict cosmological parameters with some successes
  - We can start to use machine learning to be an approximate simulator in not only small number systems, but also relatively complex systems like our Universe.
- But we need to understand what is happening under the hood to fully employ machine learning.
- Furthermore, physical datasets can also provide an interesting playground for understand machine learning as we have a much better understanding of the natural world than the random pictures taken off facebook.
- We have more questions than answers. But that's why it is exciting !

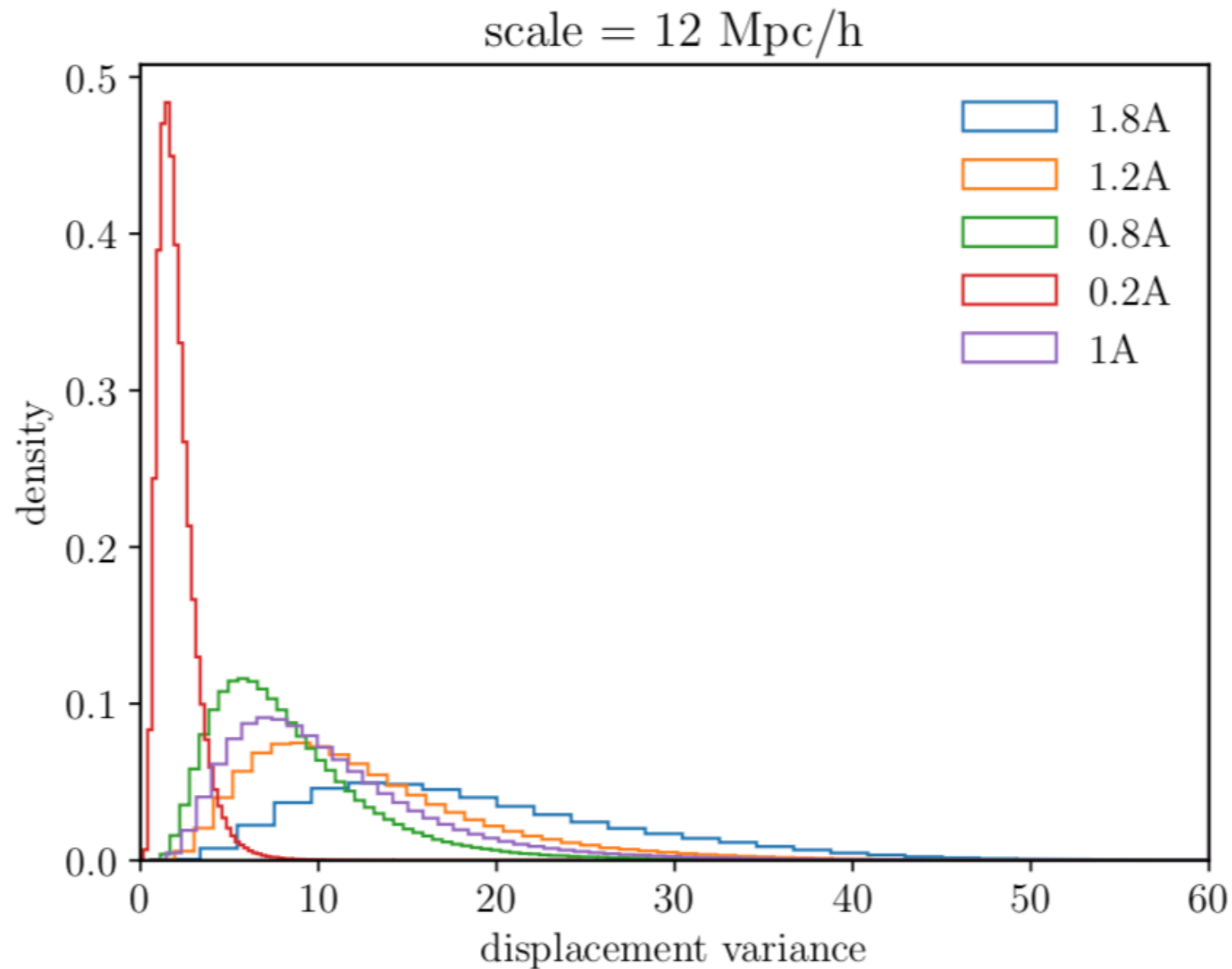


It seems like physics are being  
learned by the model...

# Let's leave you with questions: Why?

- Is it possible that the model is generalizing rules from the training set that can deal with cosmological inputs with different parameter sets?
- Or maybe the model has seen these parameter sets ?

# Possible reason ?



# Power-spectrum of Density field

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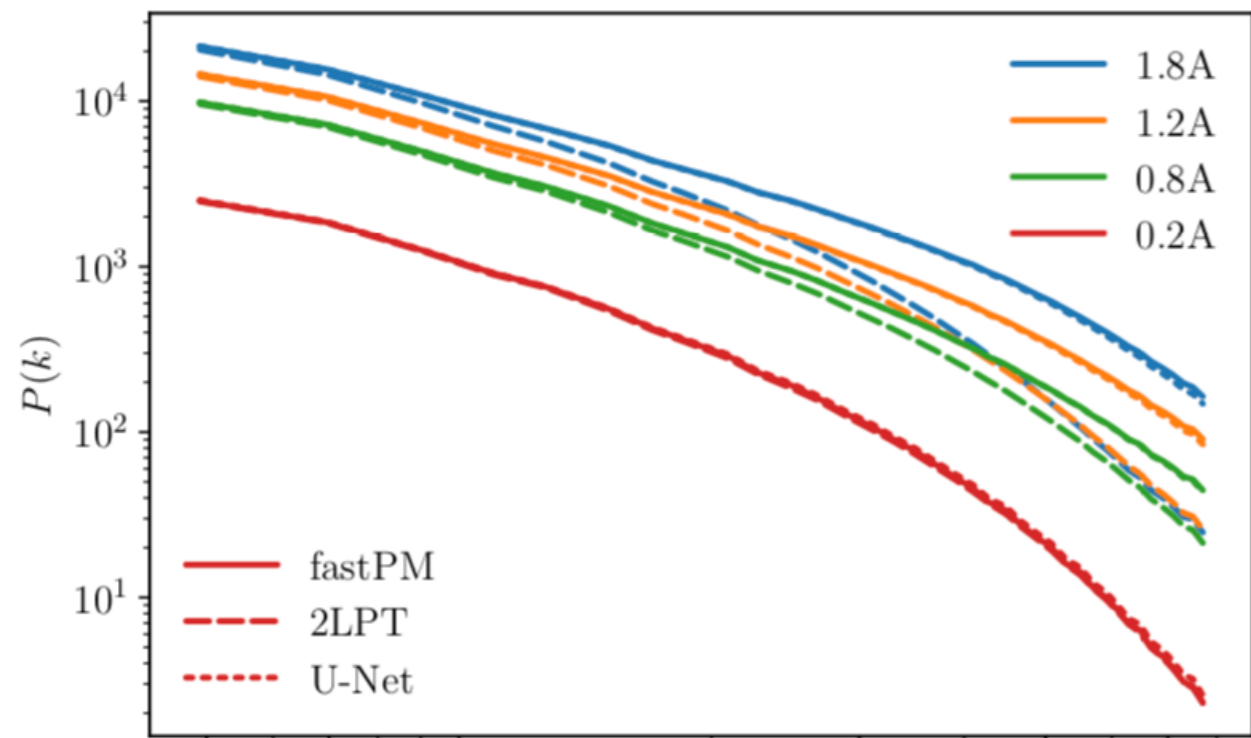
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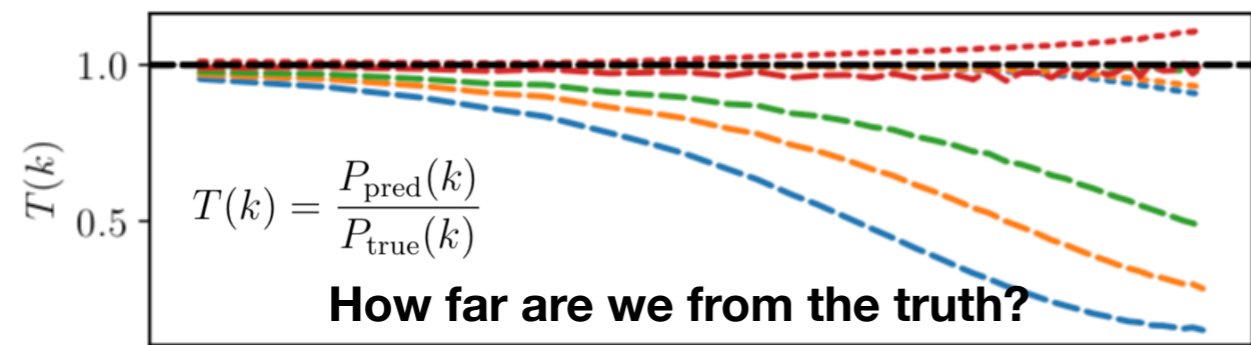
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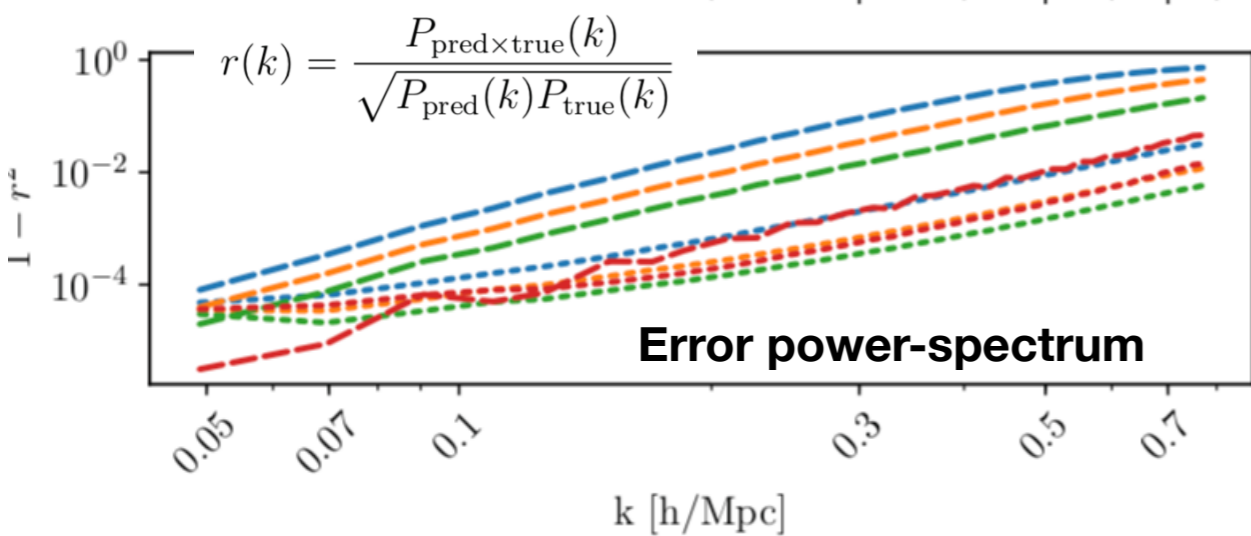
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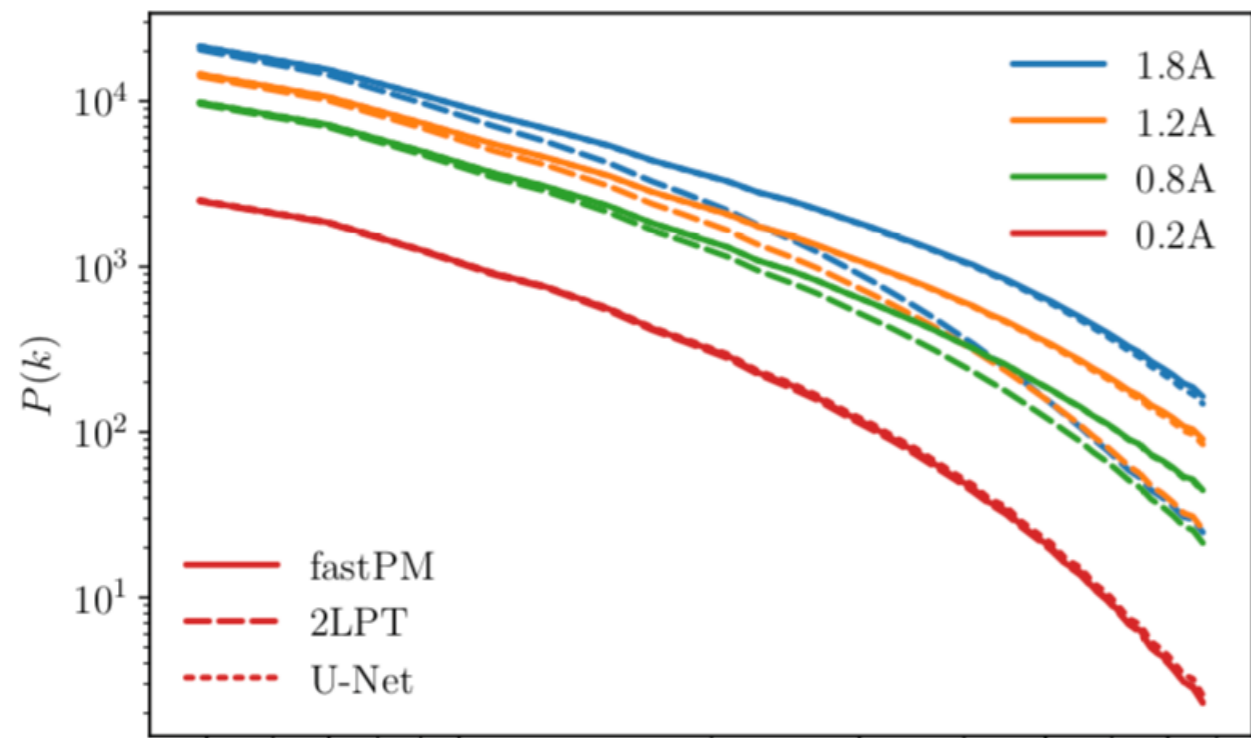


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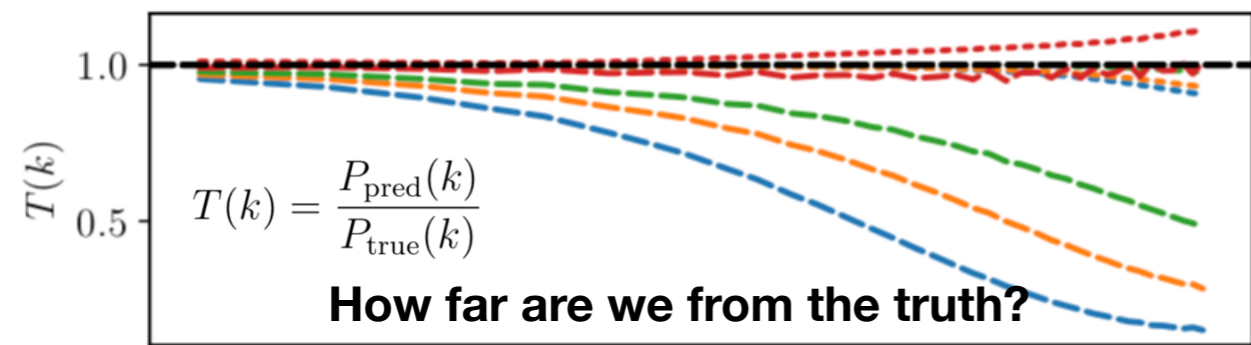
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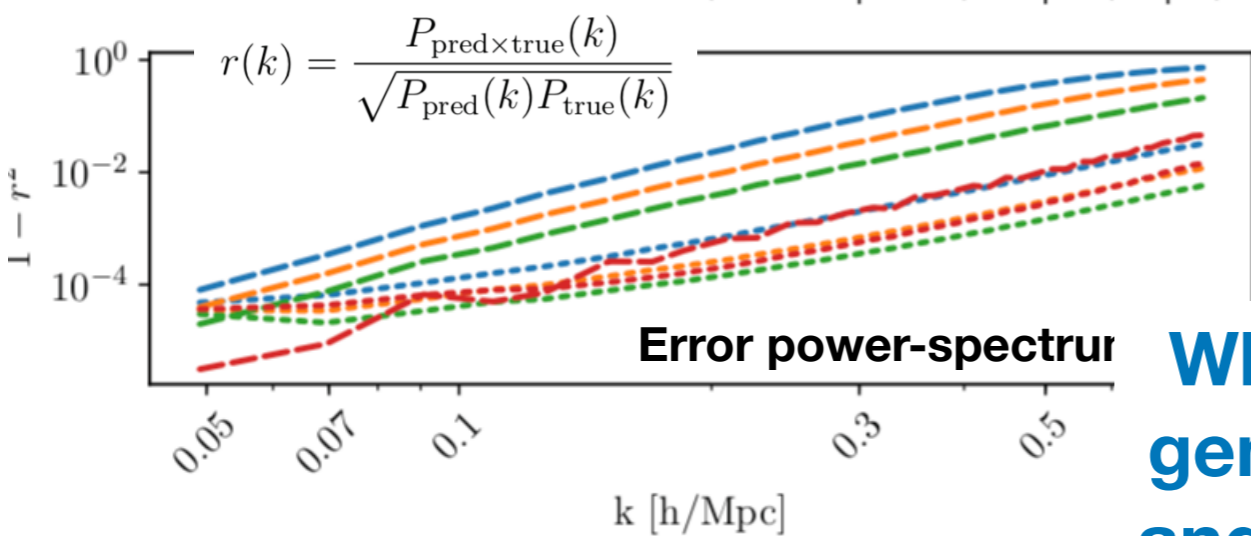
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$T(k)$

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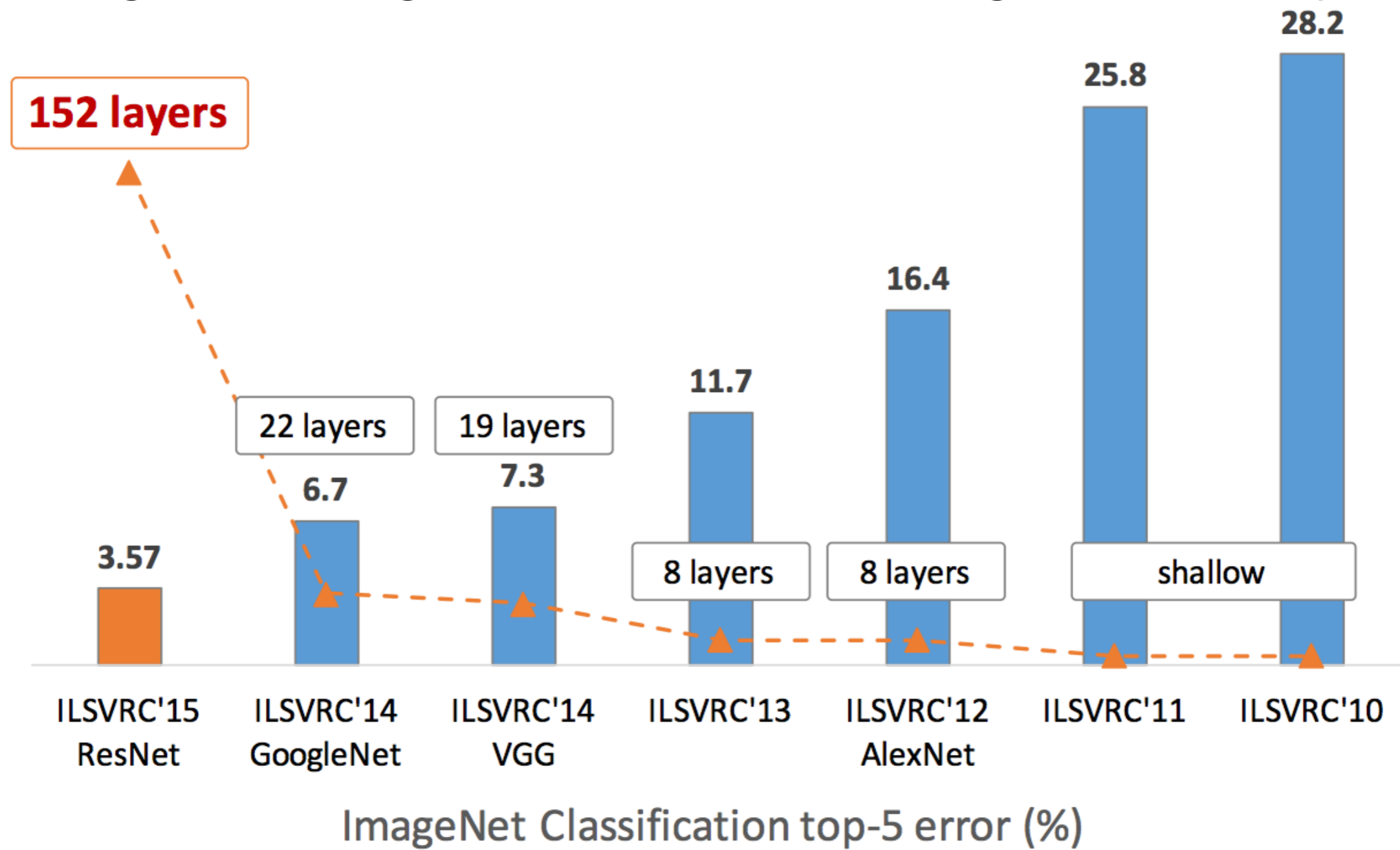
$1 - r^2$

**Why can the machine learning algorithm generalize from the one set of cosmology and still predict well for other cosmology? Aka. the test set is not the training set.**

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ImageNet Large Scale Visual Recognition Competition



Kaiming He, Xiangyu Zhang, Shaoqing Ren, & Jian Sun. "Deep Residual Learning for Image Recognition". CVPR 2016.

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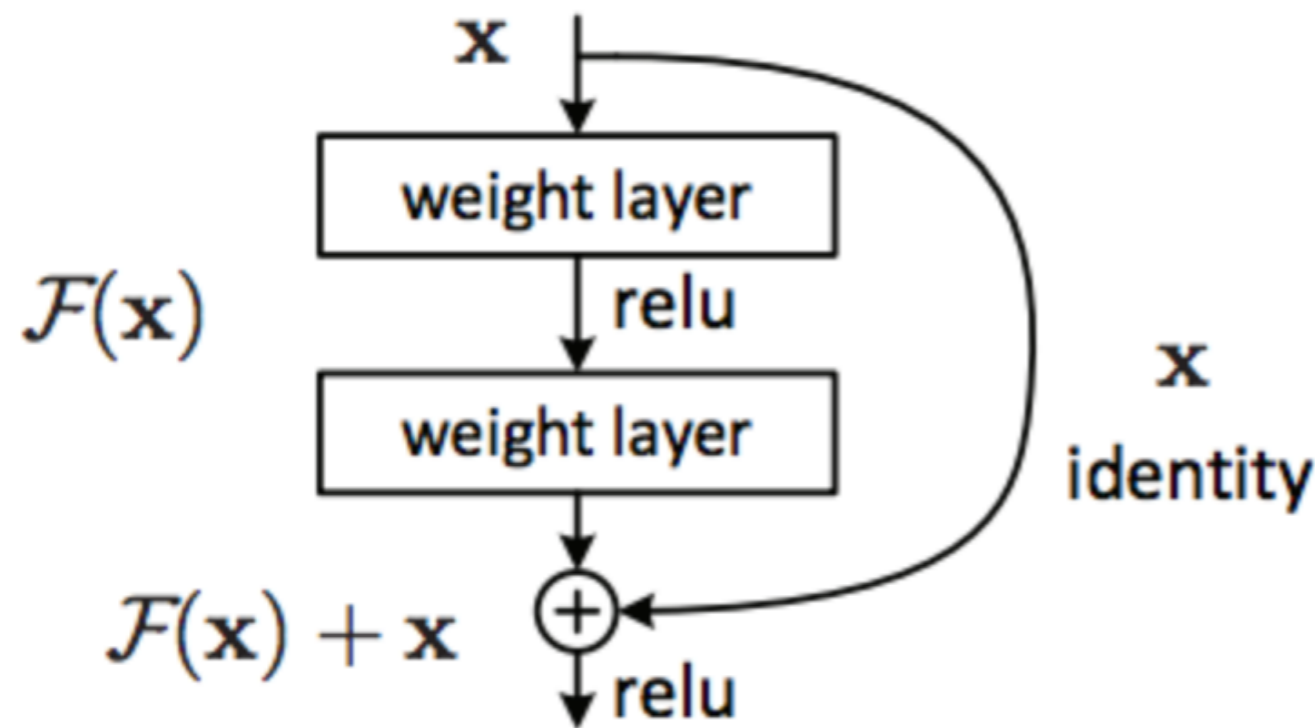
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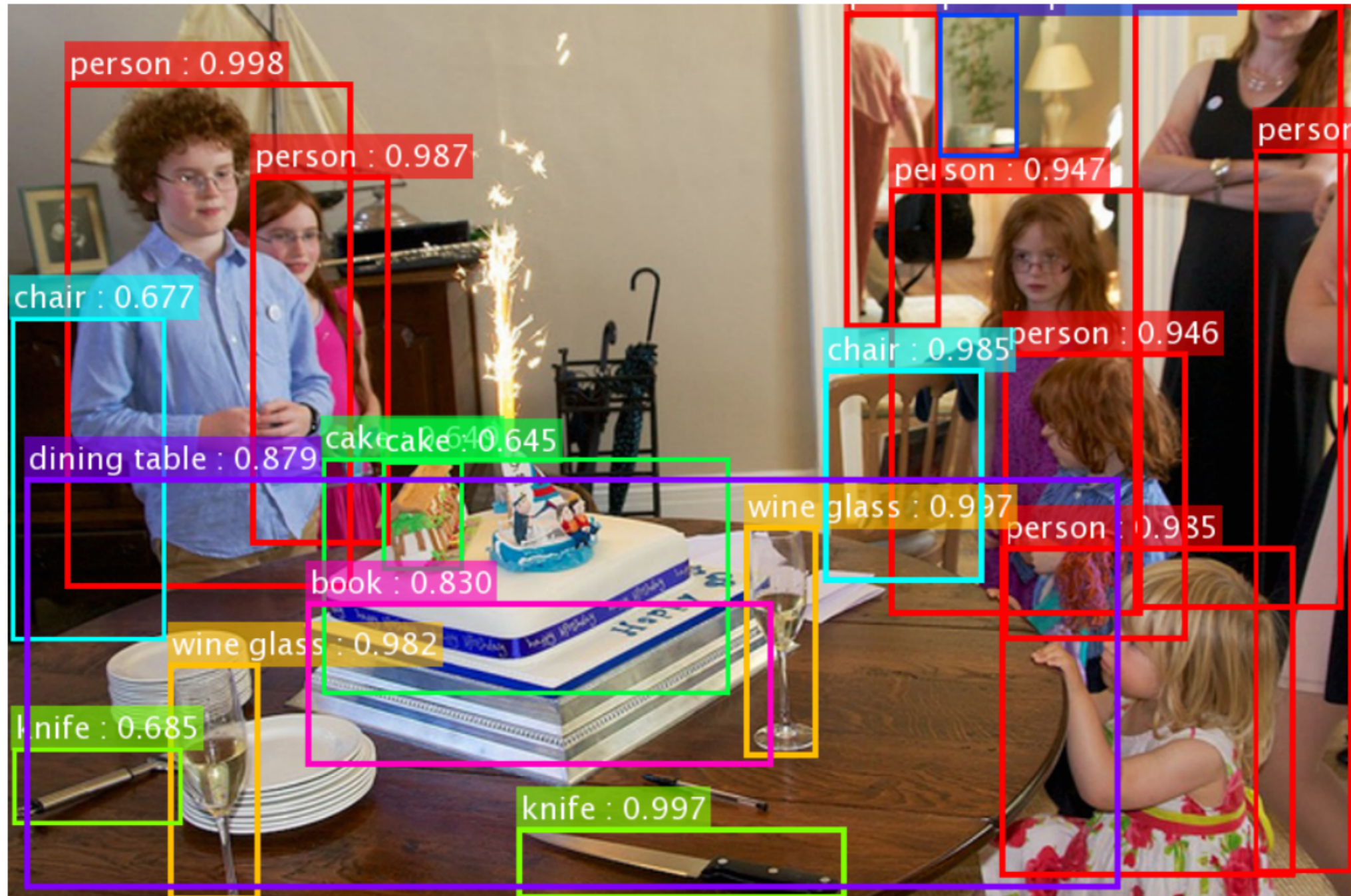
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Try to fit for  $F(x)$  instead,  
desired mapping:

$$H(x) = F(x) + x$$

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ResNet's object detection result on Common Object in Context

# Where do we go from here?

- Better Prediction possible? Improving the algorithms.
- **Can we interpret the model learnt in Machine Learning?**

# Where is this extra information coming from ?

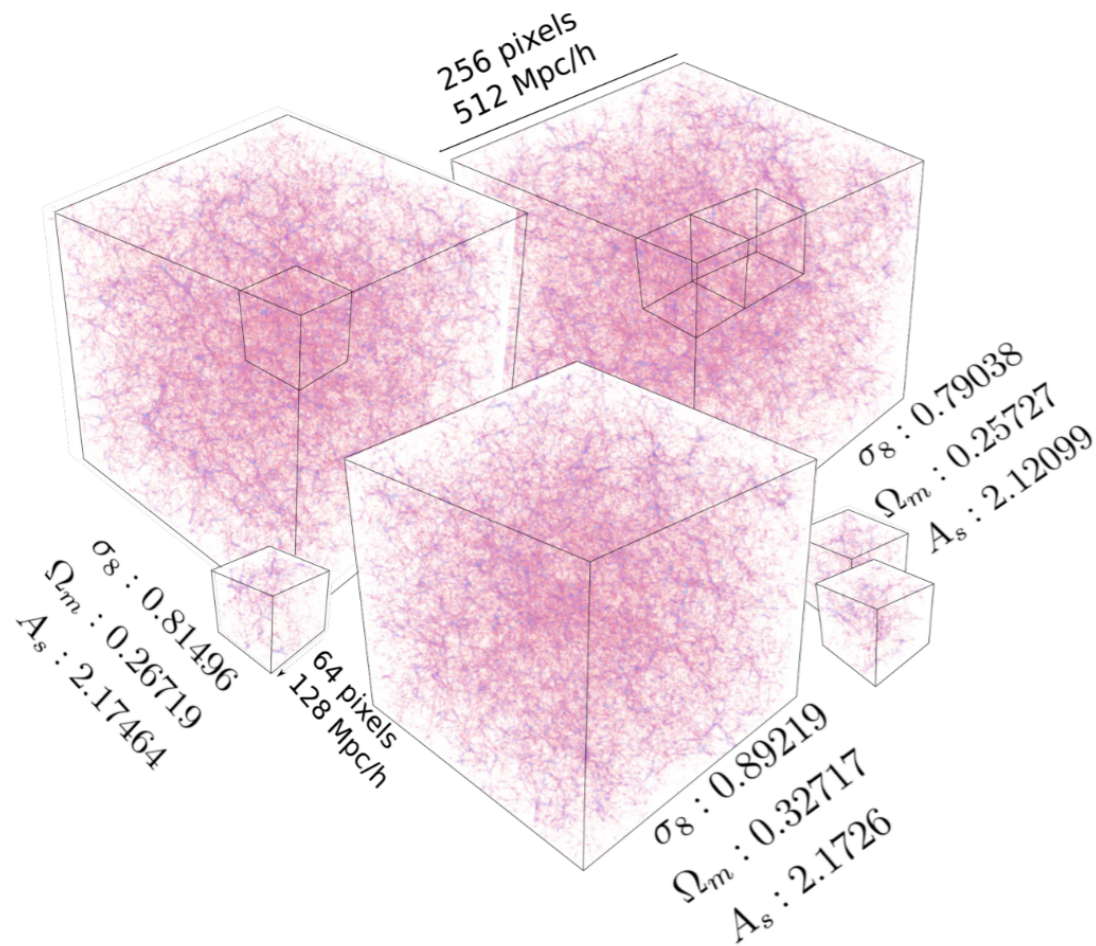


Figure 1. Dark matter distribution in three cubes produced using different sets of parameters. Each cube is divided into small sub-cubes for training and prediction. Note that although cubes in this figure are produced using very different cosmological parameters in our constrained sampled set, the effect is not visually discernible.

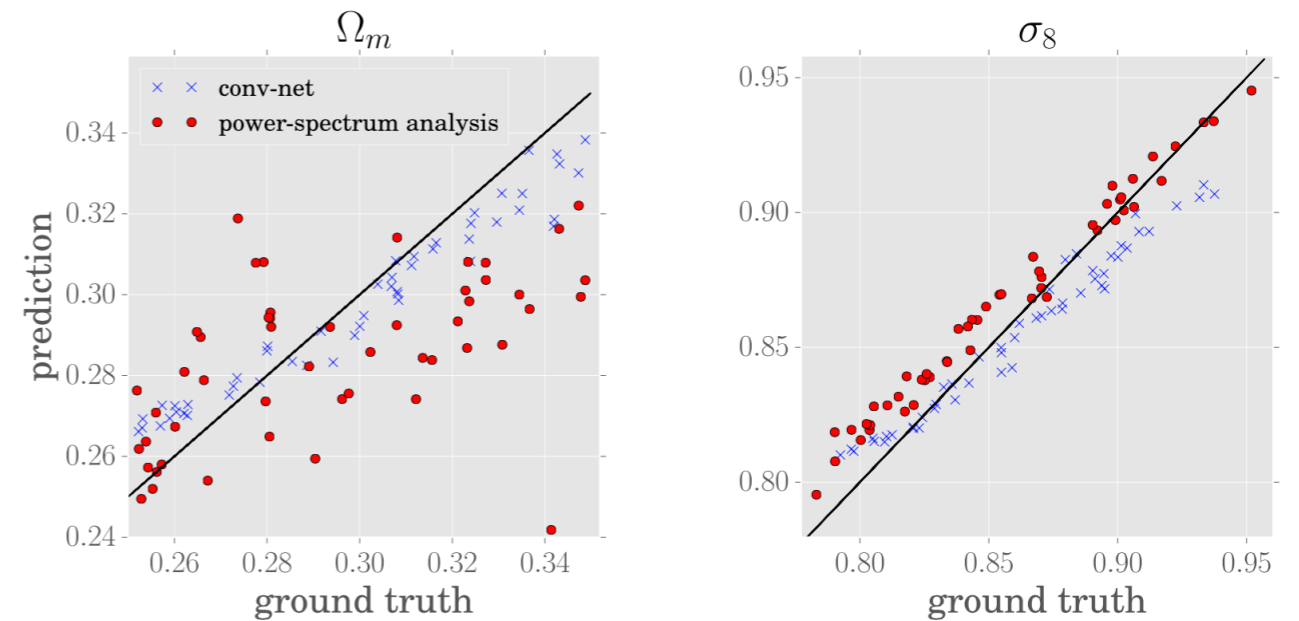
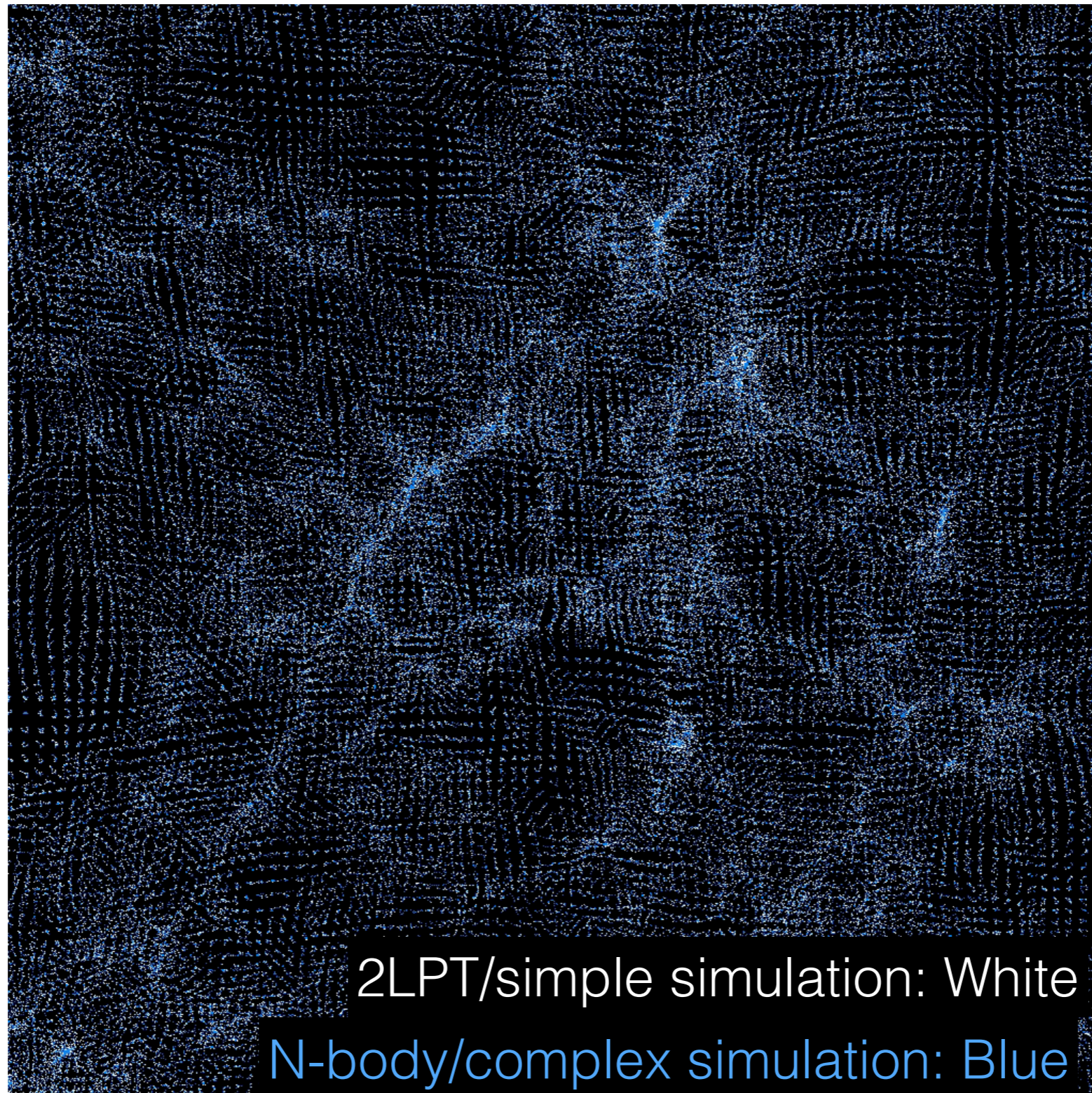


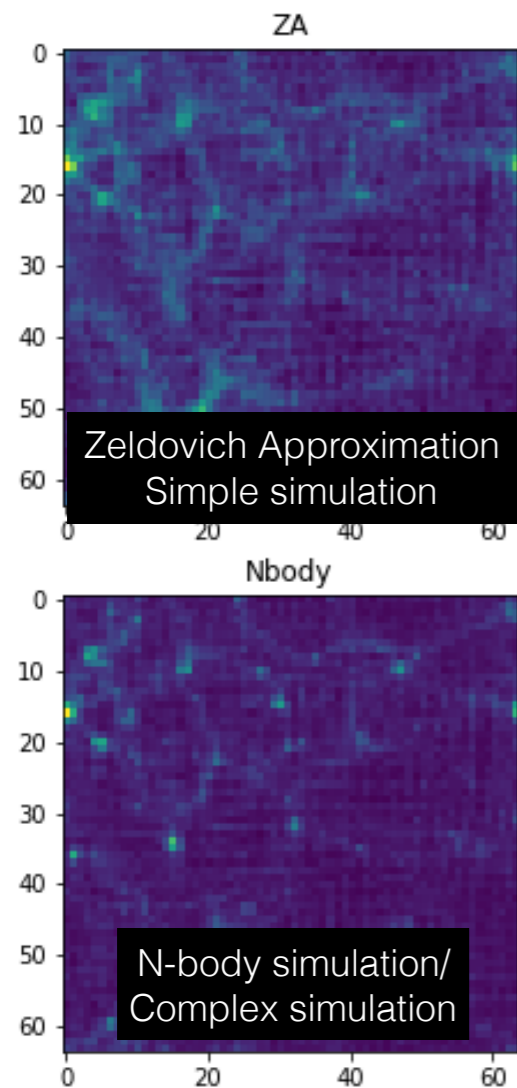
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# Analytical physics (2nd order Lagrangian Perturbation Theory) vs Computer Simulation (N-body/complex simulations)



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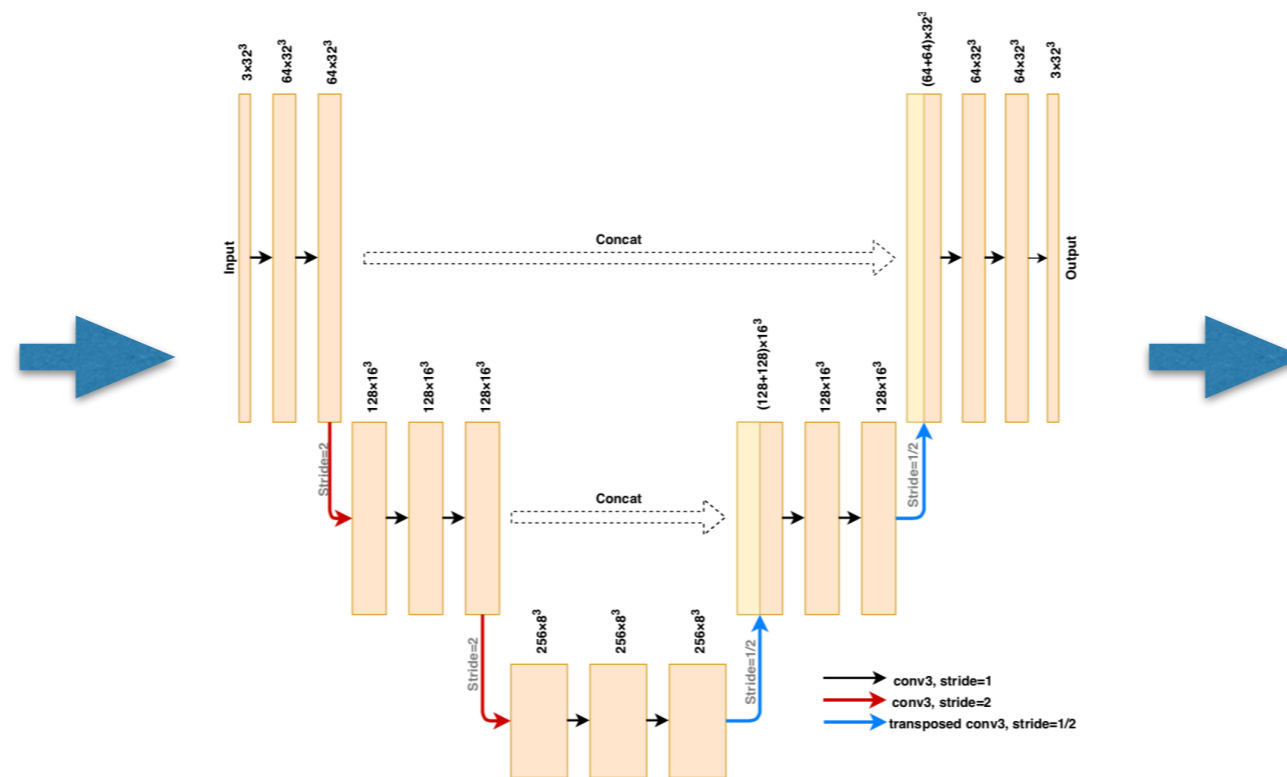
## Training



10,000 pairs of  
[Simple, complex] simulations  
For training

## UNET

Slight variant to Residual NN



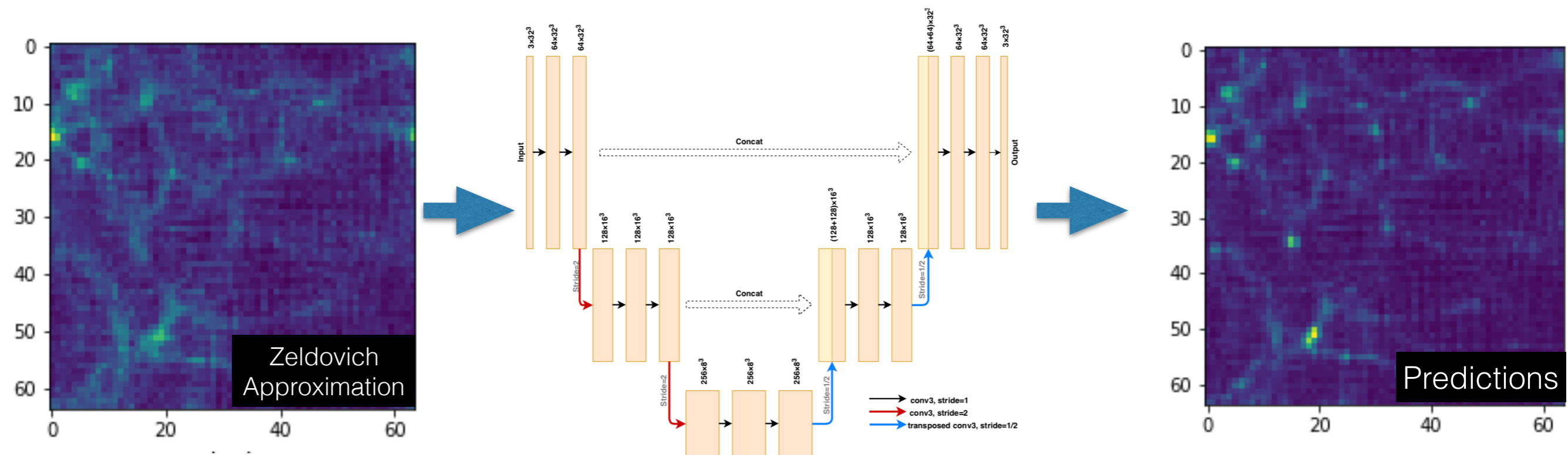
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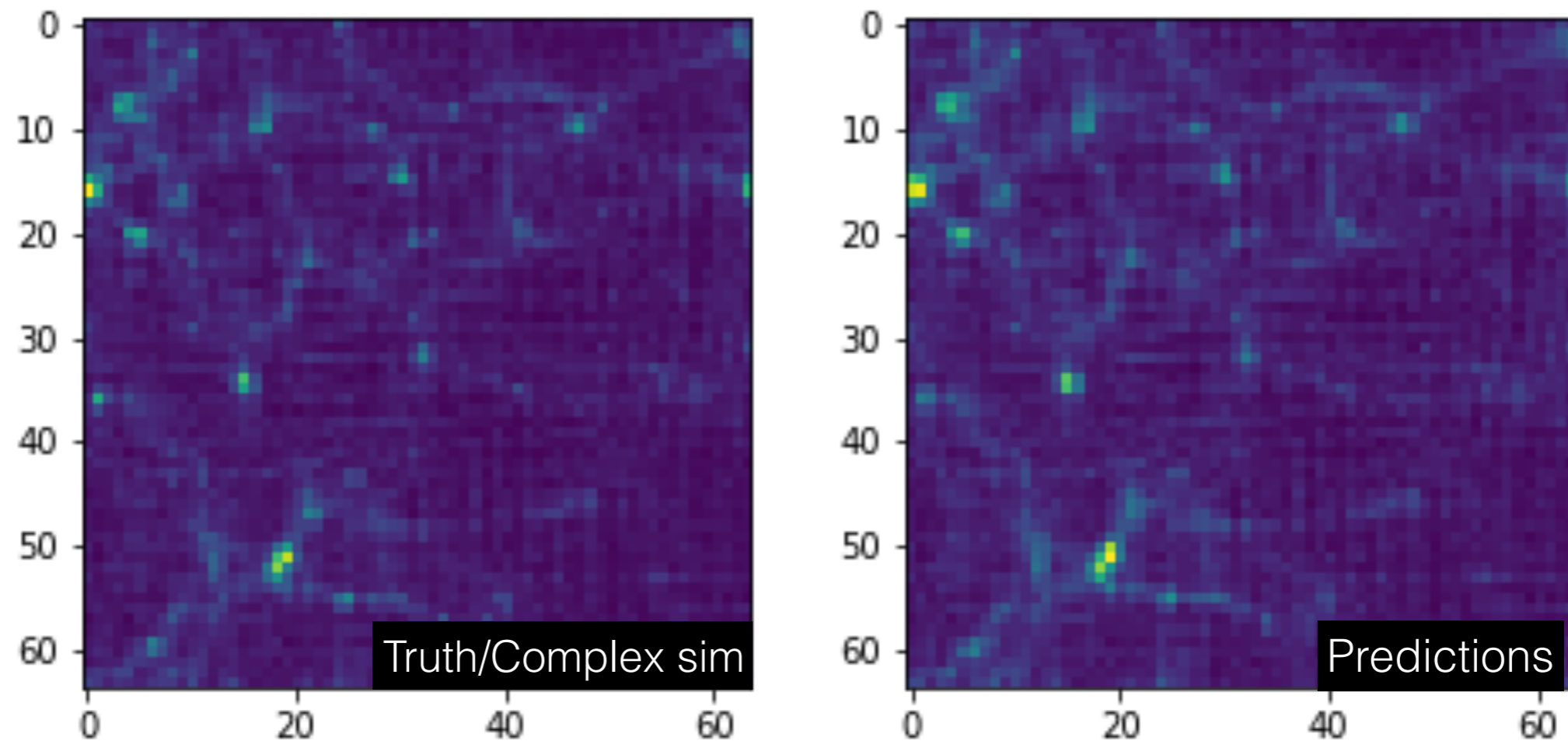
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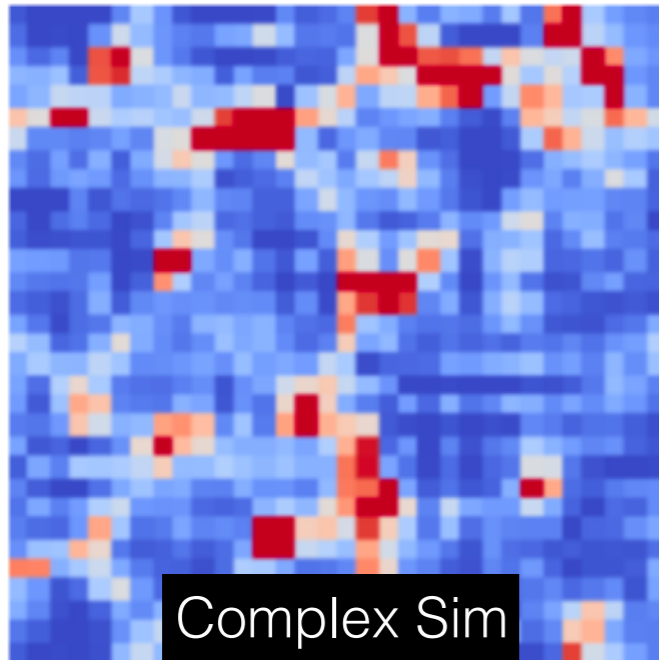
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# Density fields quick visual comparison





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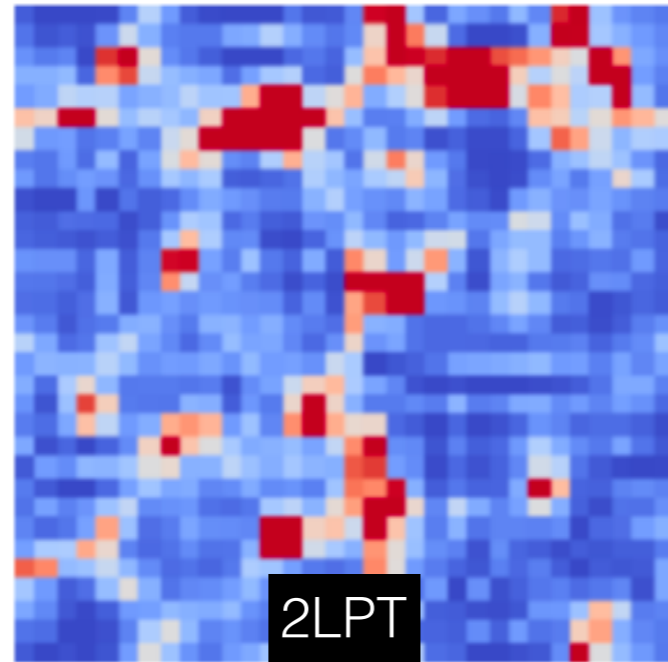
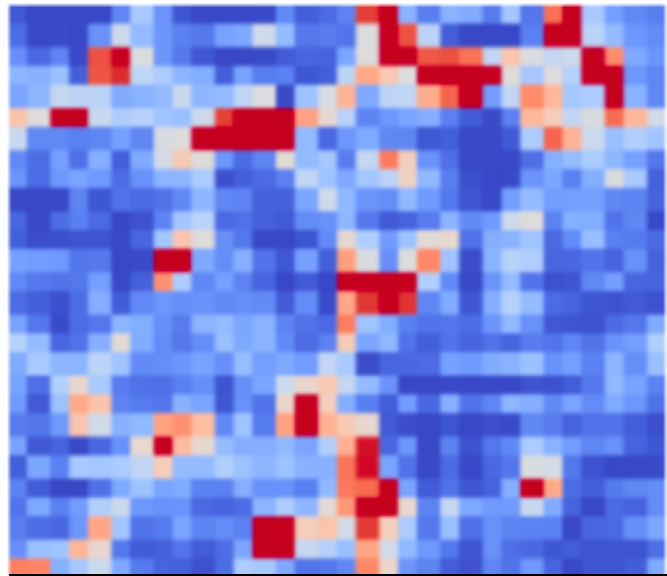


Let's see how well the simple 2LPT would predict

Density field comparisons

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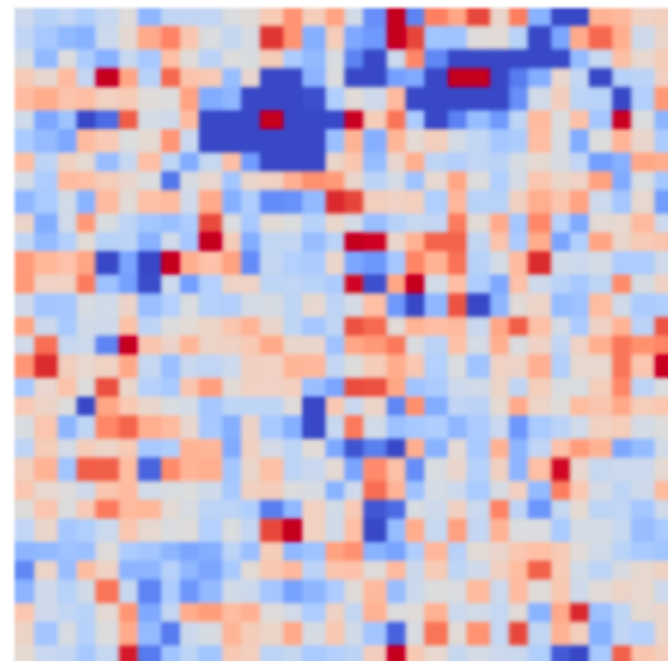
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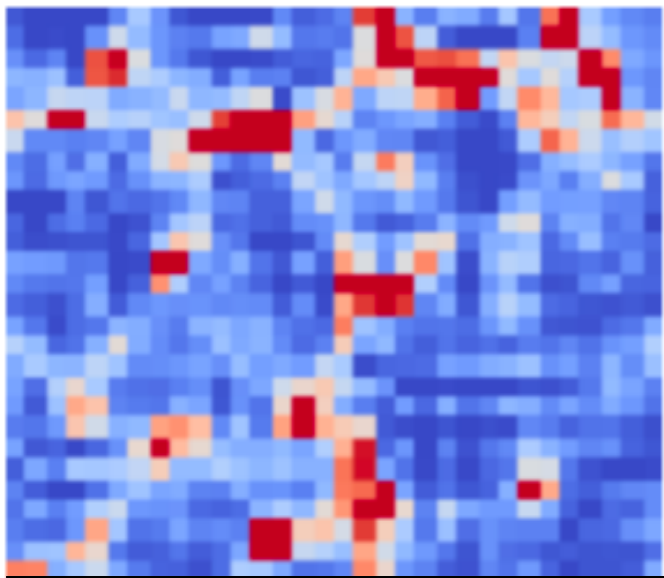
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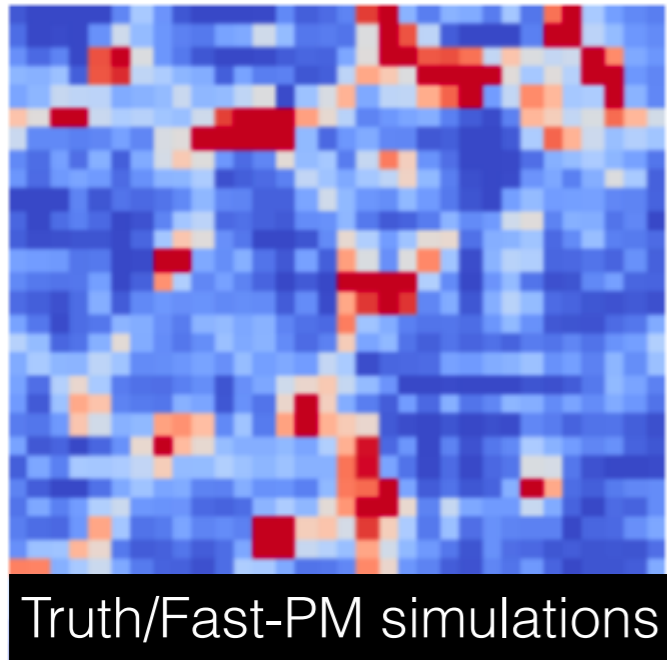


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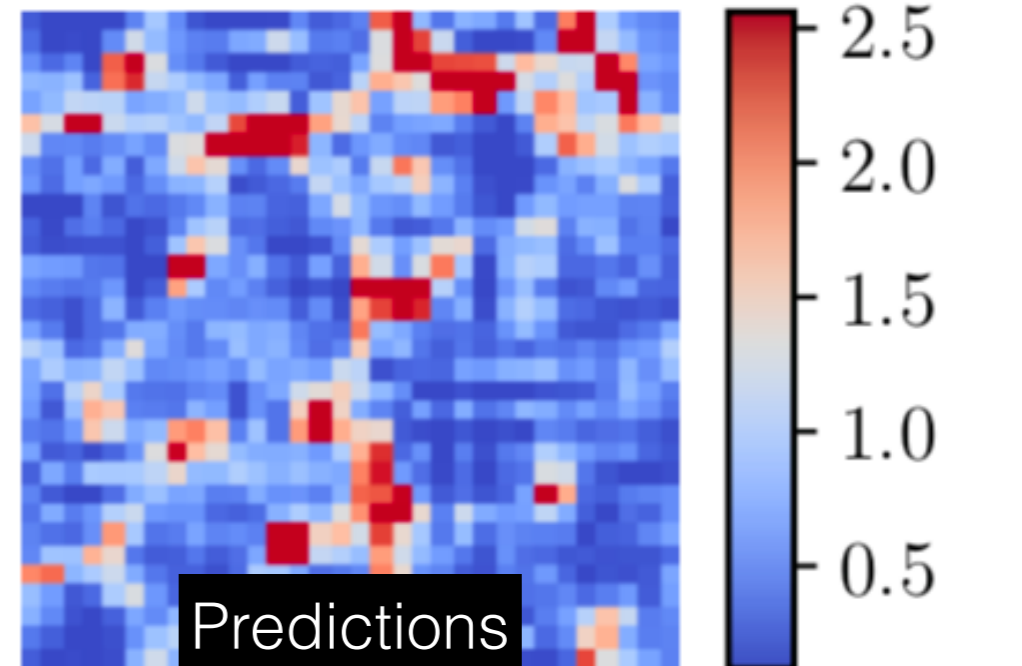
Now let's compare the ML predictions with the truth!

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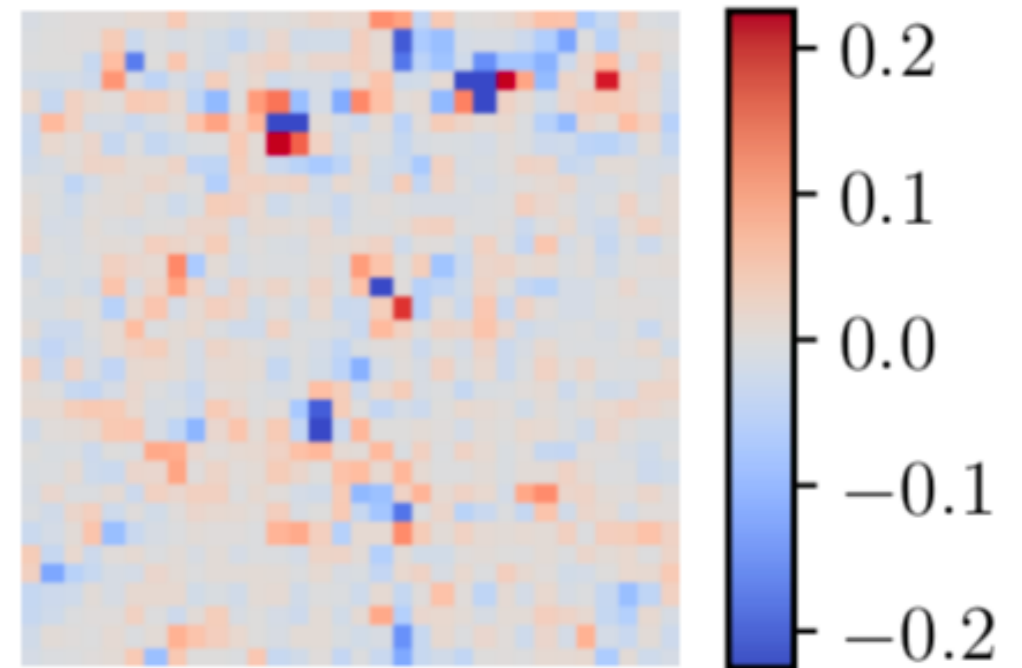
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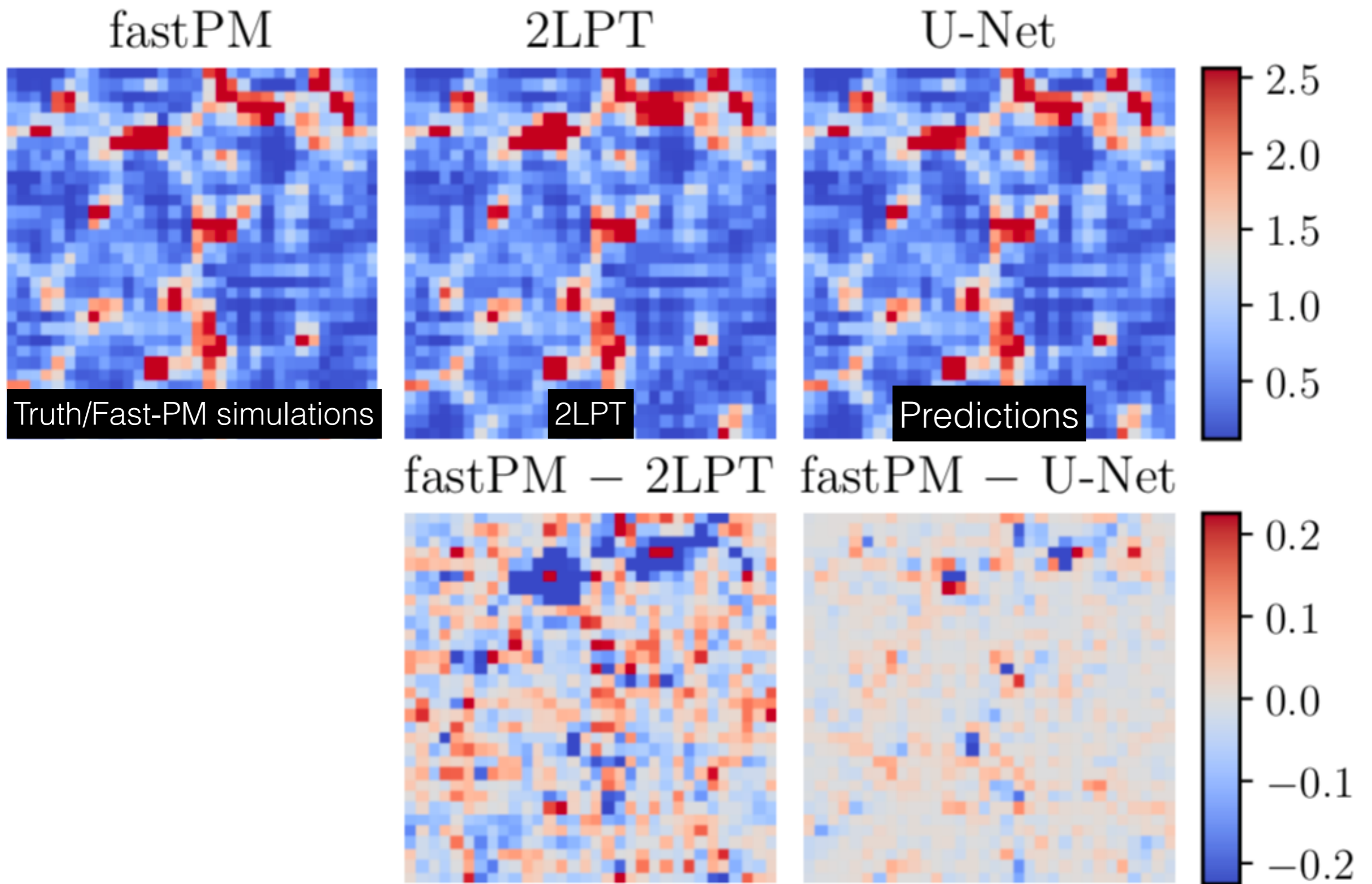
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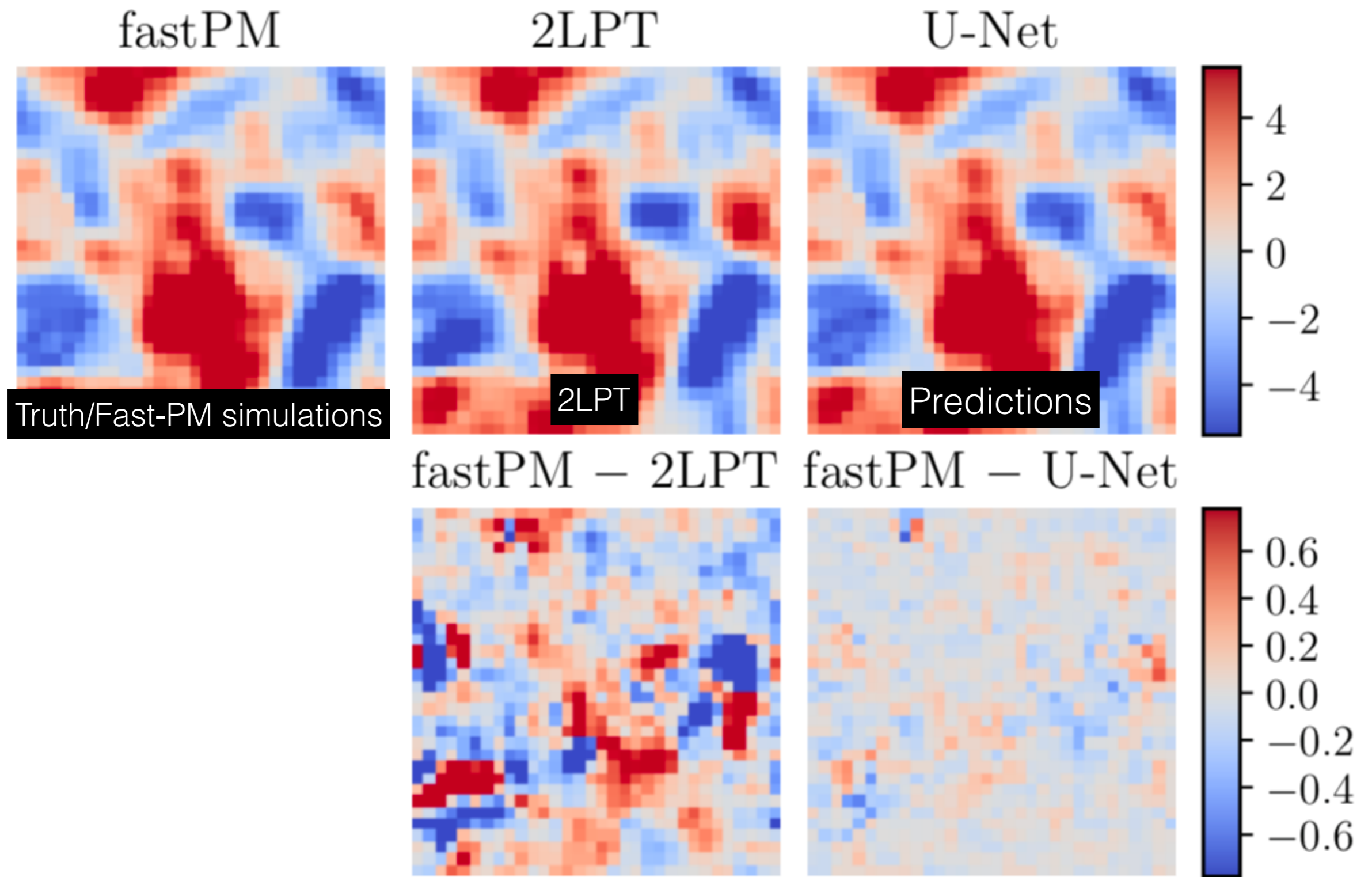
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## Density field comparisons



## Displacement field comparisons

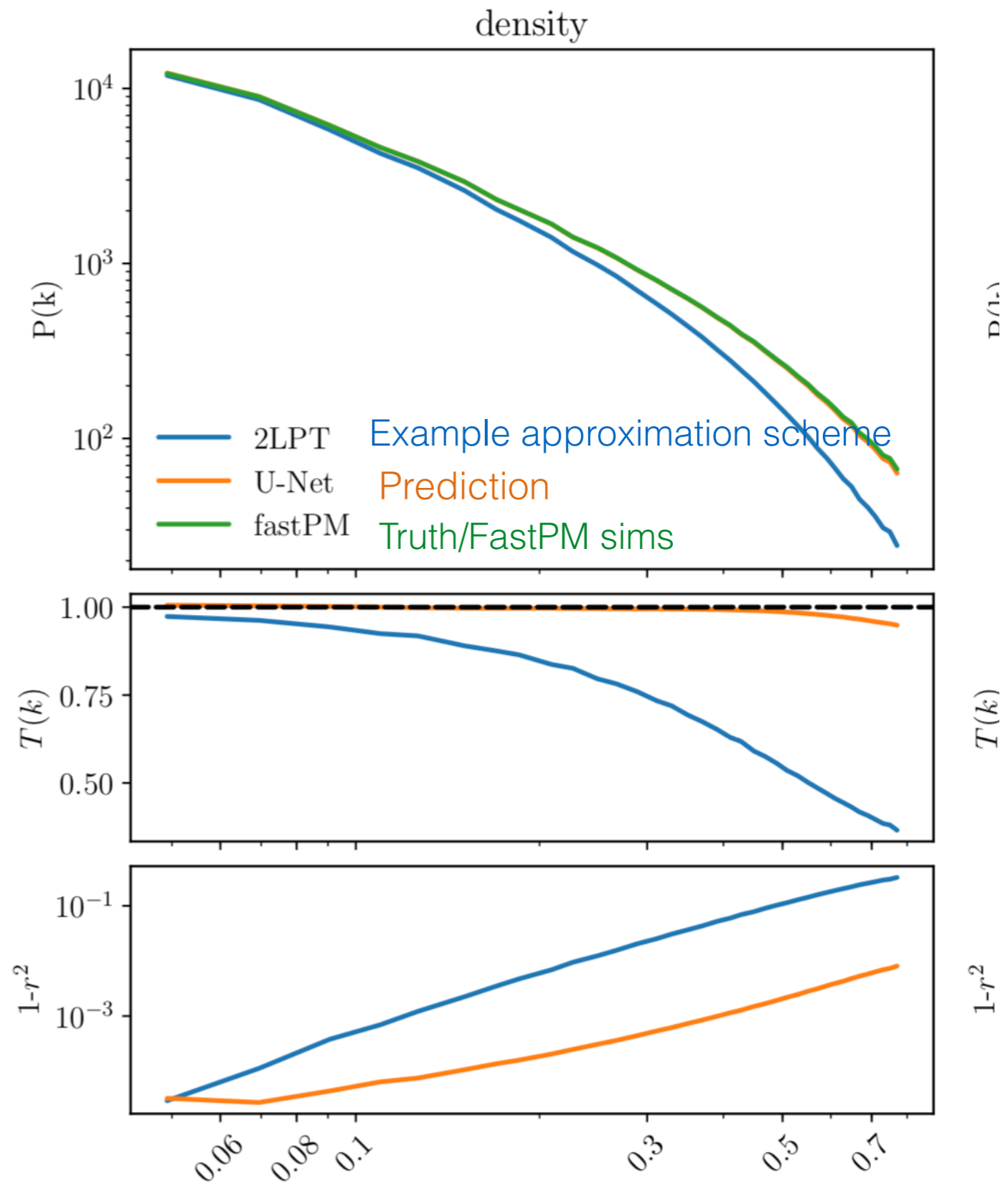
Checking the following:

- 1) the average power-spectrum of 1000 sims, and
- 2) ratios to the true power-spectrum ( $T(k)$ ), and
- 3) The cross-correlation coefficients.

The simulations can be predicted in  $O(1)$  minutes post training and validation.

$$T(k) = \frac{P_{\text{pred}}(k)}{P_{\text{true}}(k)}$$

$$r(k) = \frac{P_{\text{pred} \times \text{true}}(k)}{\sqrt{P_{\text{pred}}(k)P_{\text{true}}(k)}}$$



(a) Results from the density field

# Foray into understanding what the heck the Model is learning

- We first train a network with [ZA, N-body] pairs, and make prediction using ZA inputs. And we have seen that the predictions are pretty good.
- Then we analyze what the network has learned by decomposing the **input** into different **Fourier modes** and look at the **predicted power-spectra** of these modes.
- Different Fourier modes in the following form:

$$\psi(\hat{x}) = A_{\hat{k}_i} \hat{k}_i \cos(\vec{k}_i \cdot \vec{x})$$



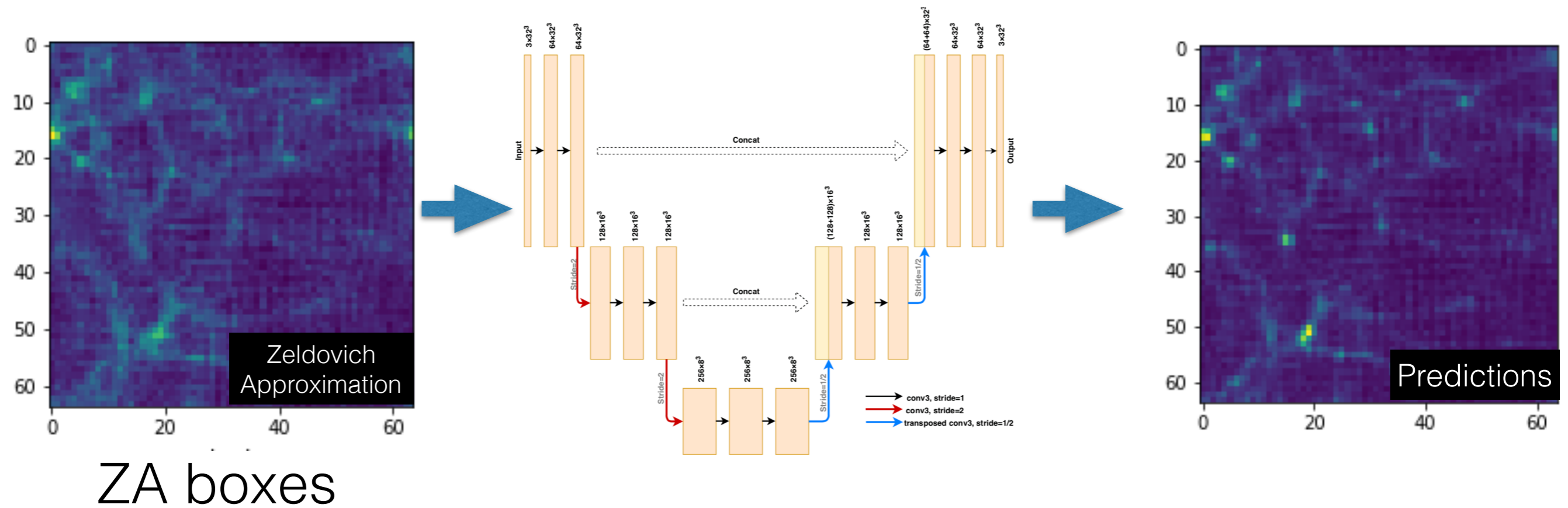
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Slight variant to Residual NN

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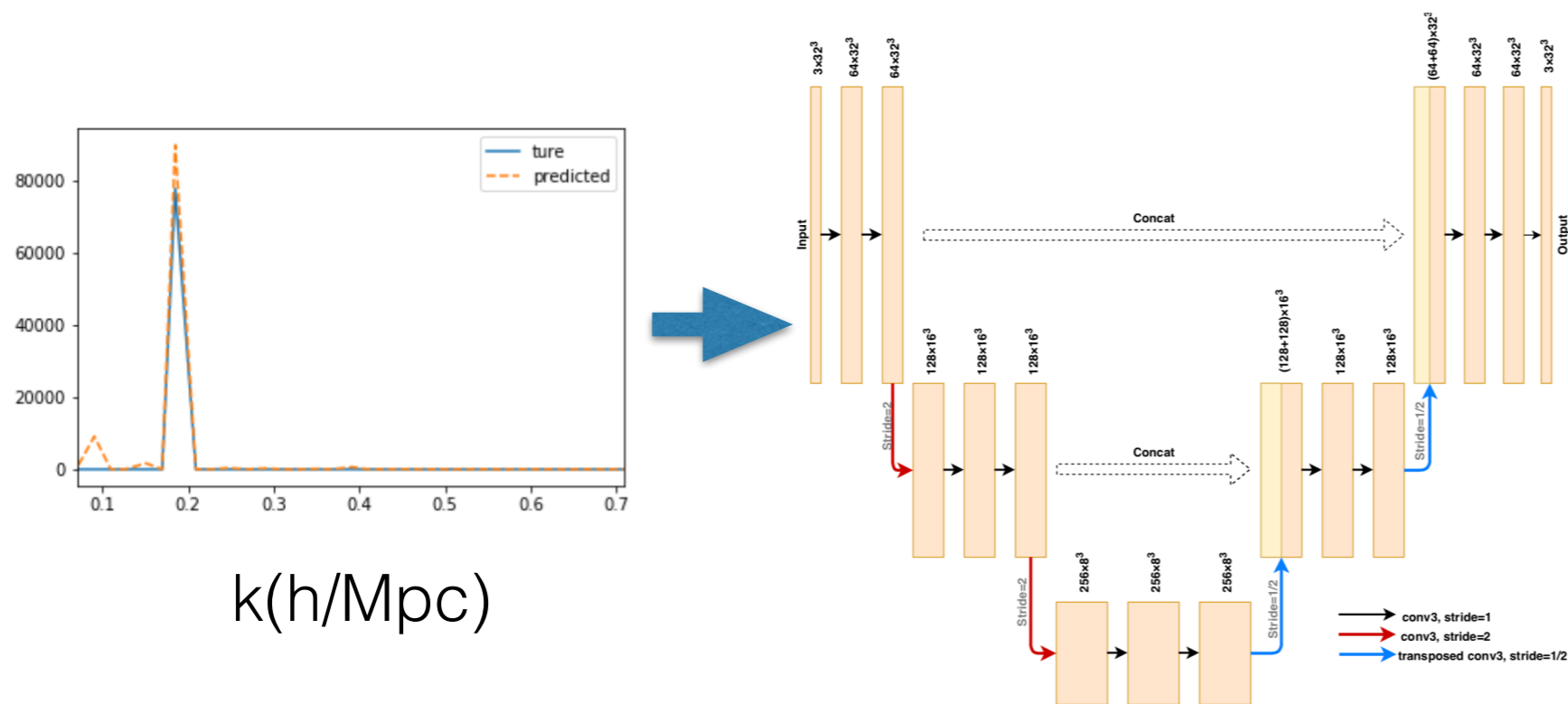
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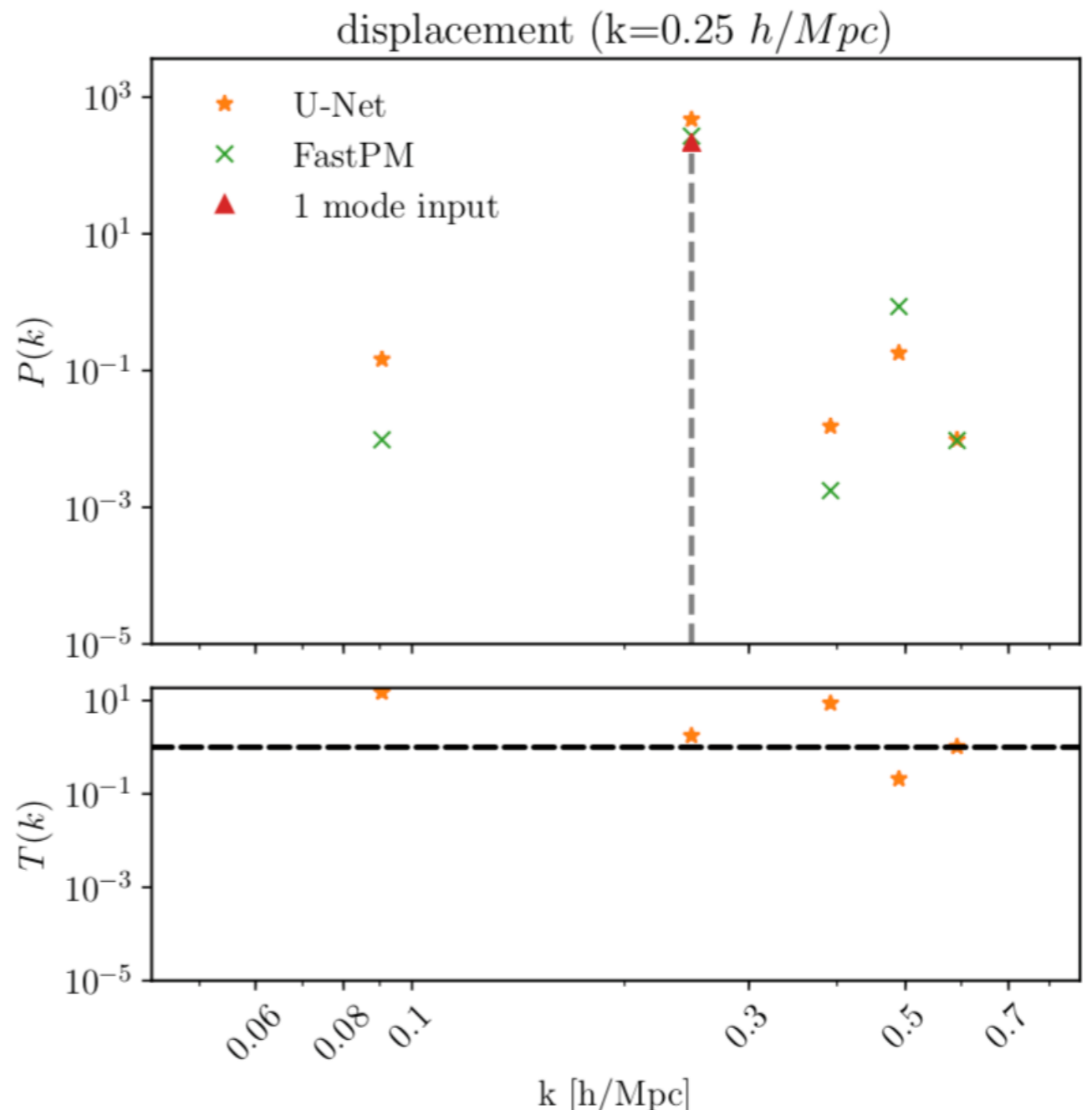
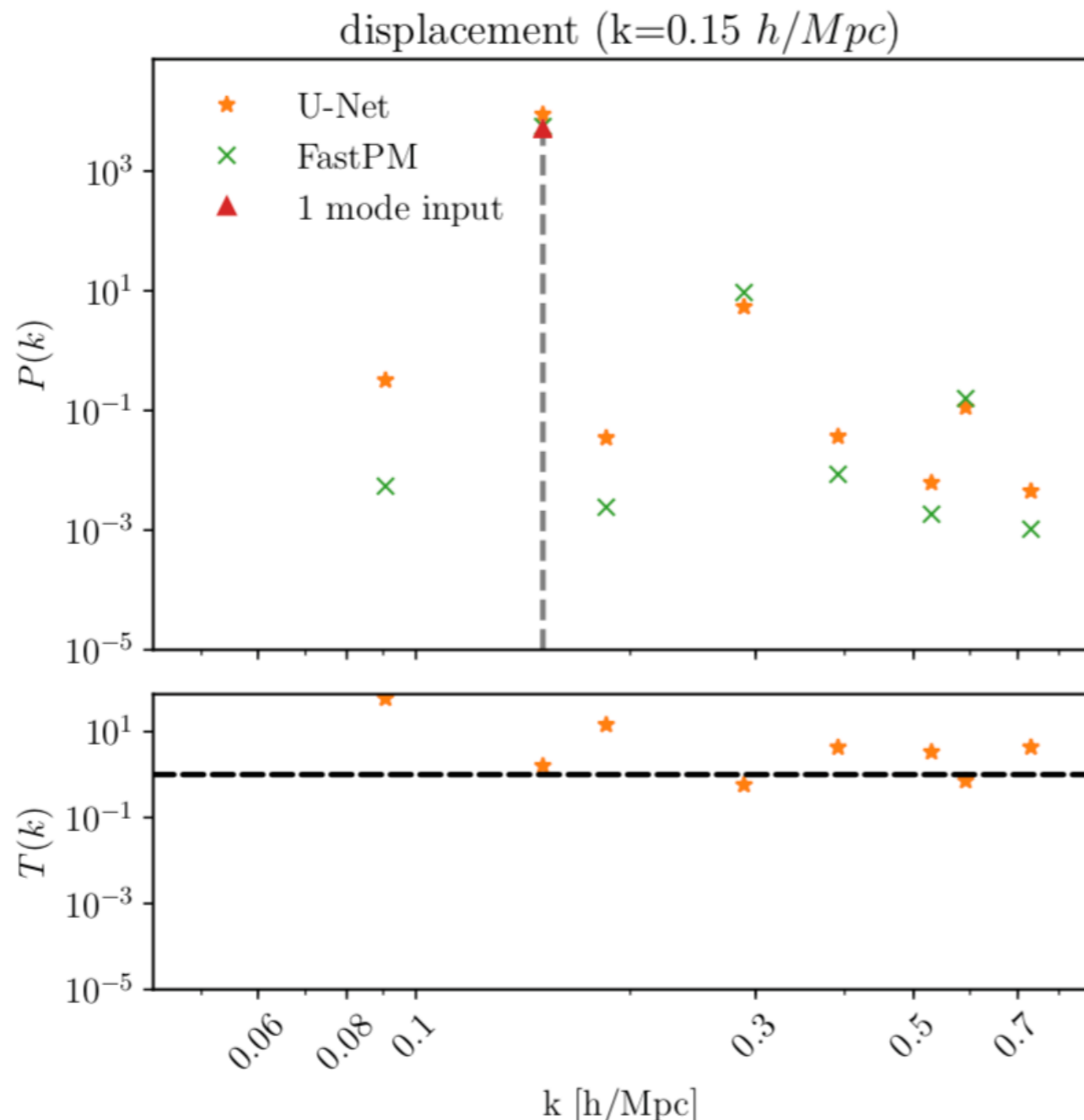
$k$ (h/Mpc)

Inject Power

at one scale as input

# Input mode: Pancake...

What happen if we have power only one scale?



The transfer function shows that the U-Net model captures quite well at the dominate scale, which indicates the U-Net model is able to capture scale information. The U-Net model also captures the other modes of FastPM that are two orders smaller than the dominant mode and come from the numerical artifact of FastPM simulations.

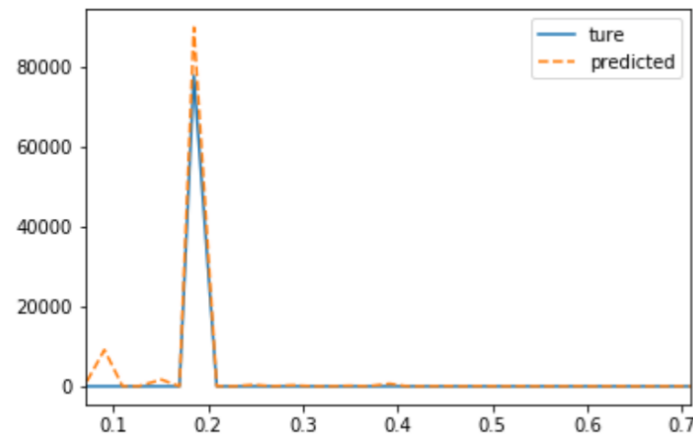
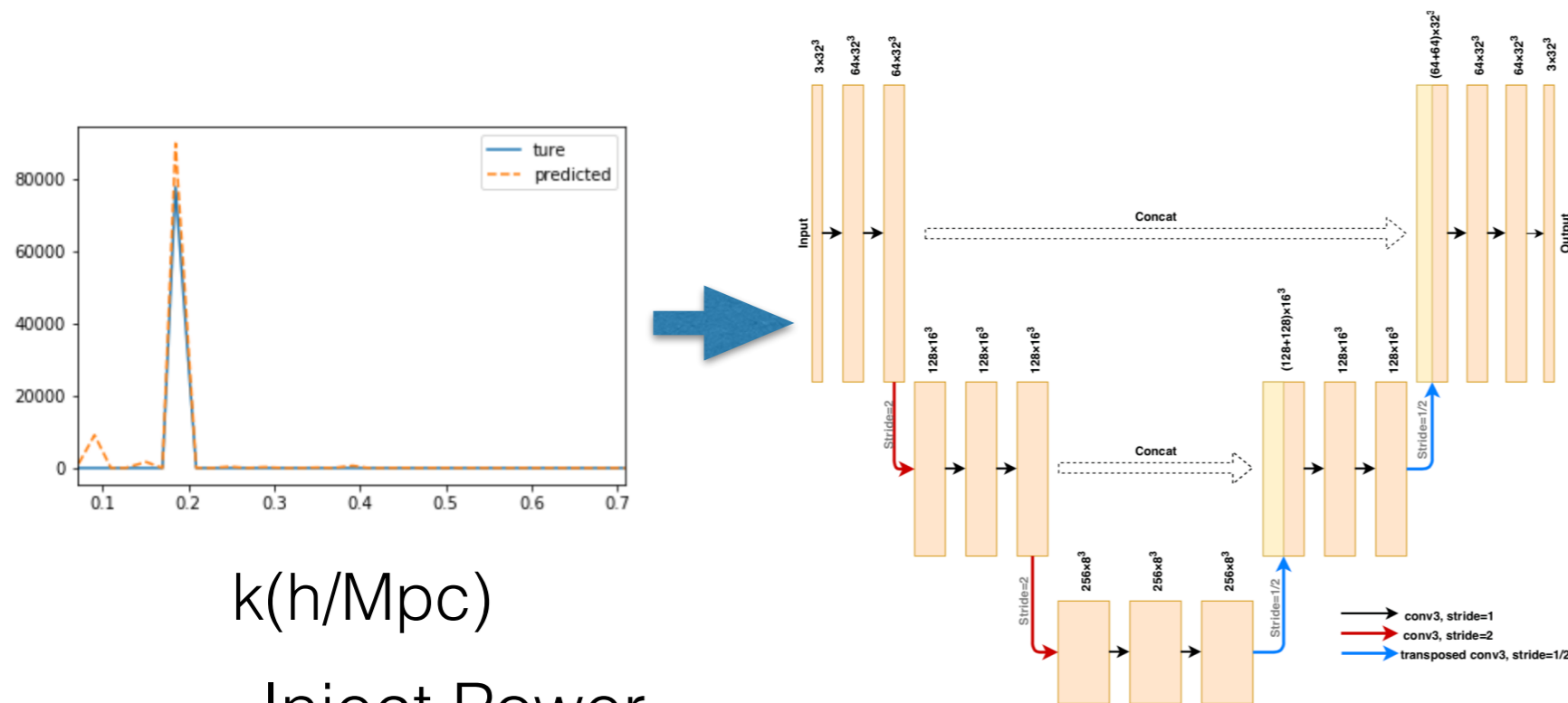
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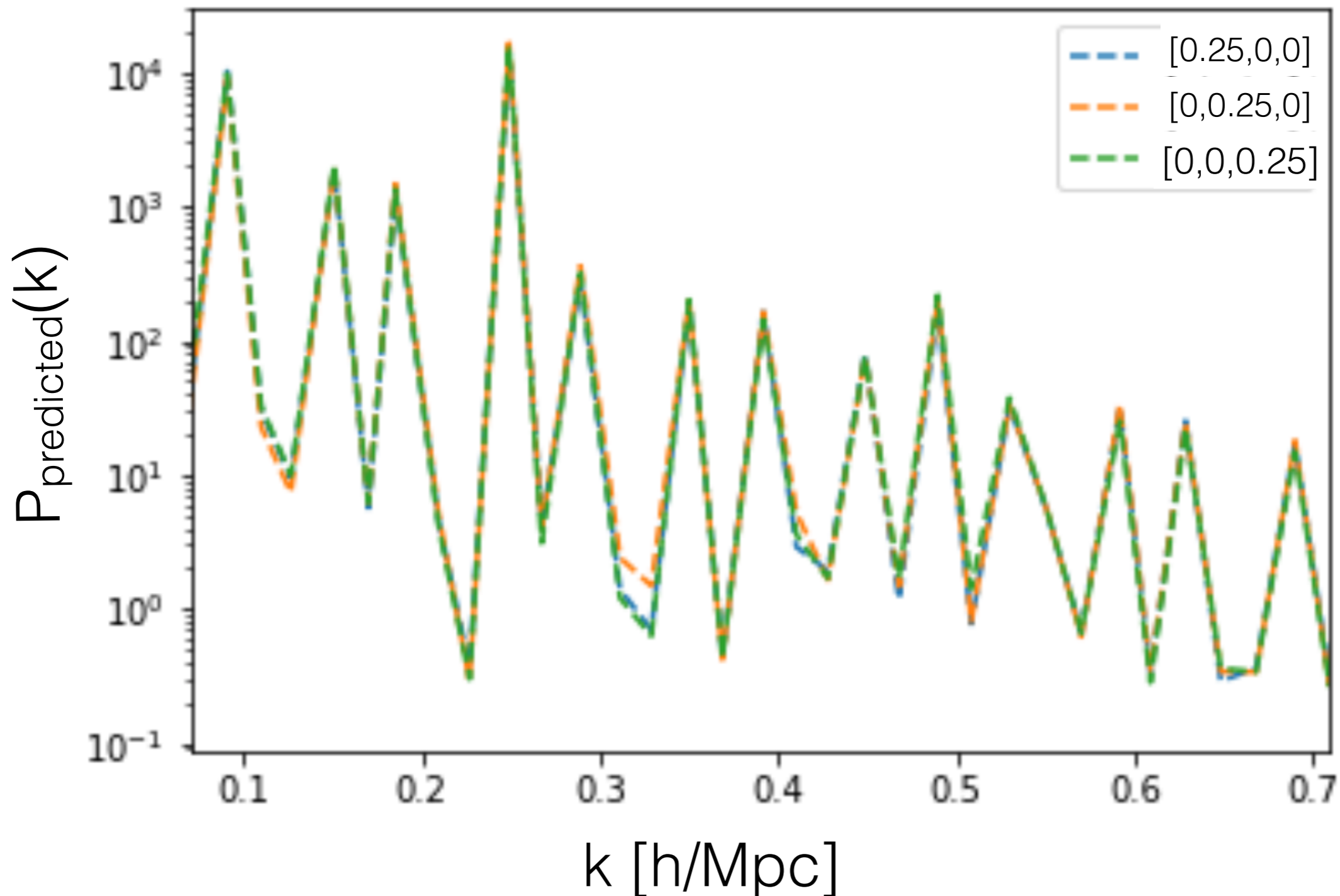
$k(\text{h/Mpc})$

Inject Power

at  $[k_x, k_y, k_z] = [0.25, 0, 0]$   
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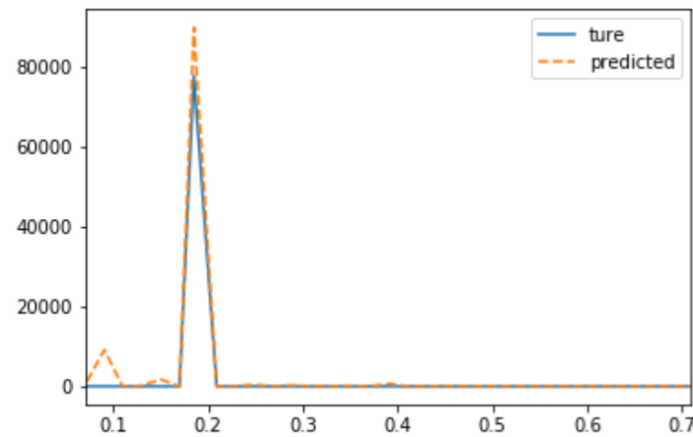
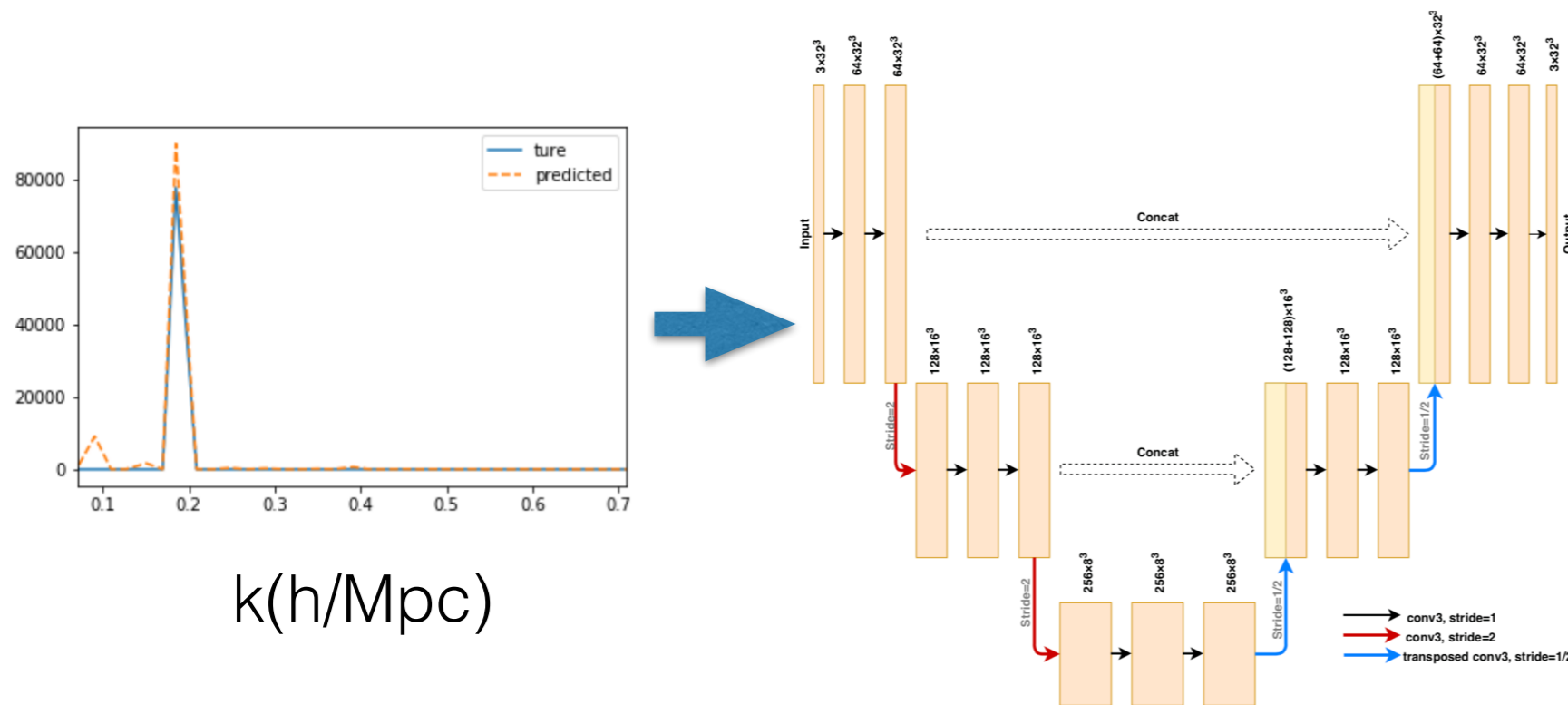
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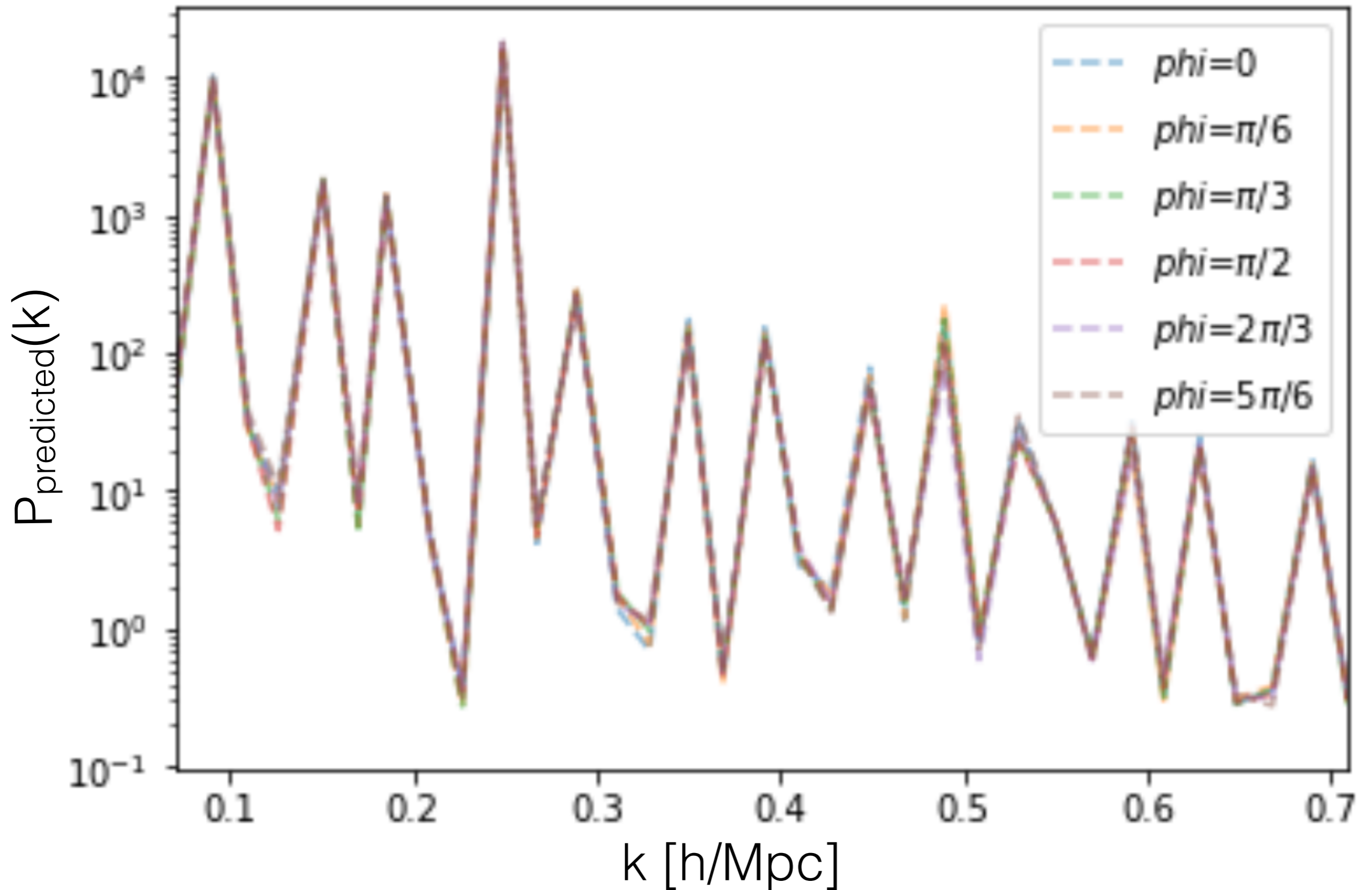
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Inject Power  
At same  $k$ ,  
but different phases

# What happens if we change the phase of the input mode?



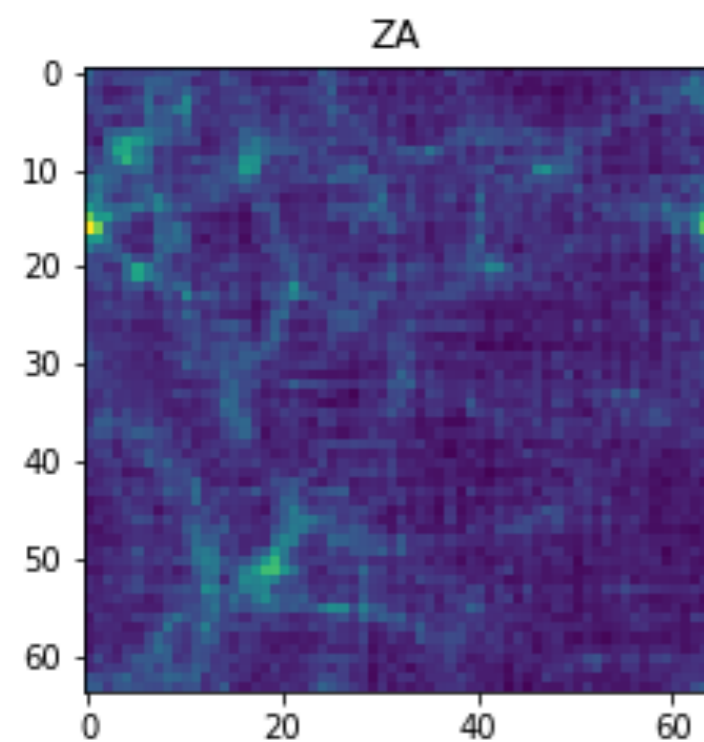
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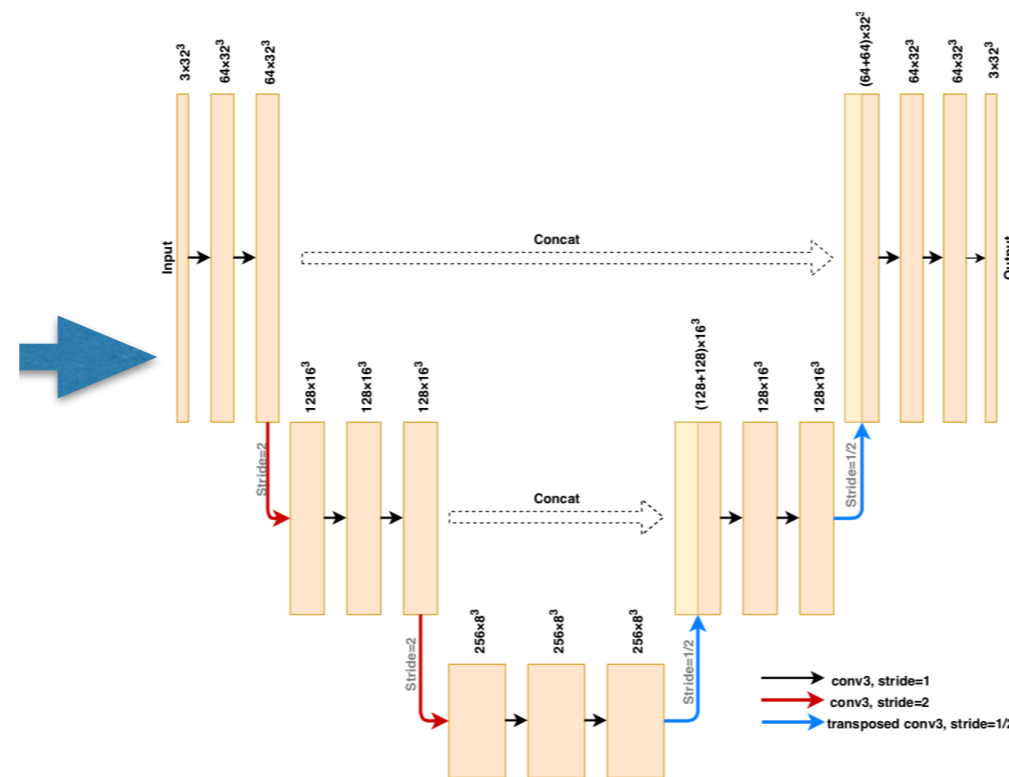
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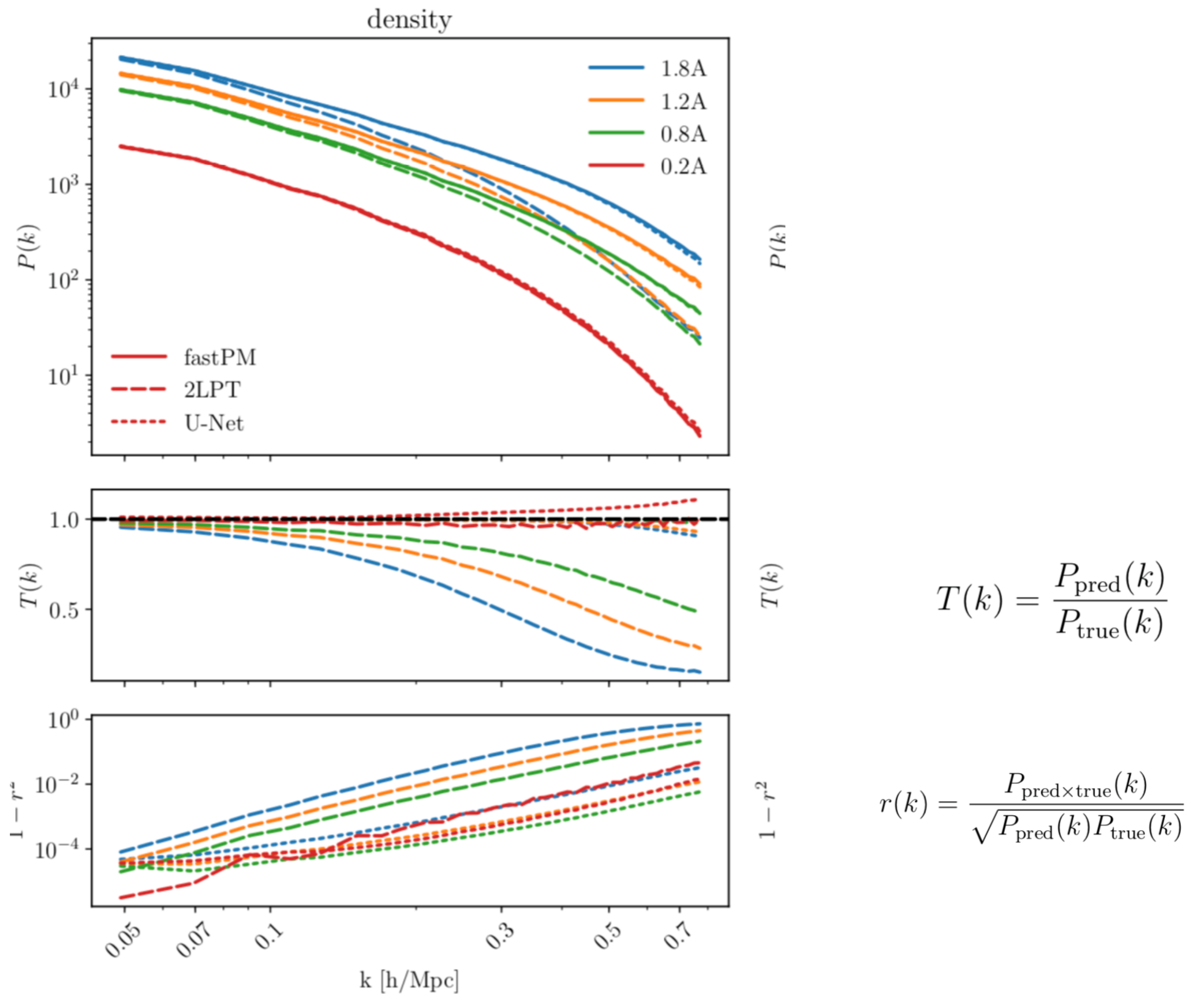
ZA maps of

**Different cosmology:**

$$A_s = \{0.2 A_0, 0.8 A_0, 1.2 A_0, 1.8 A_0\}$$





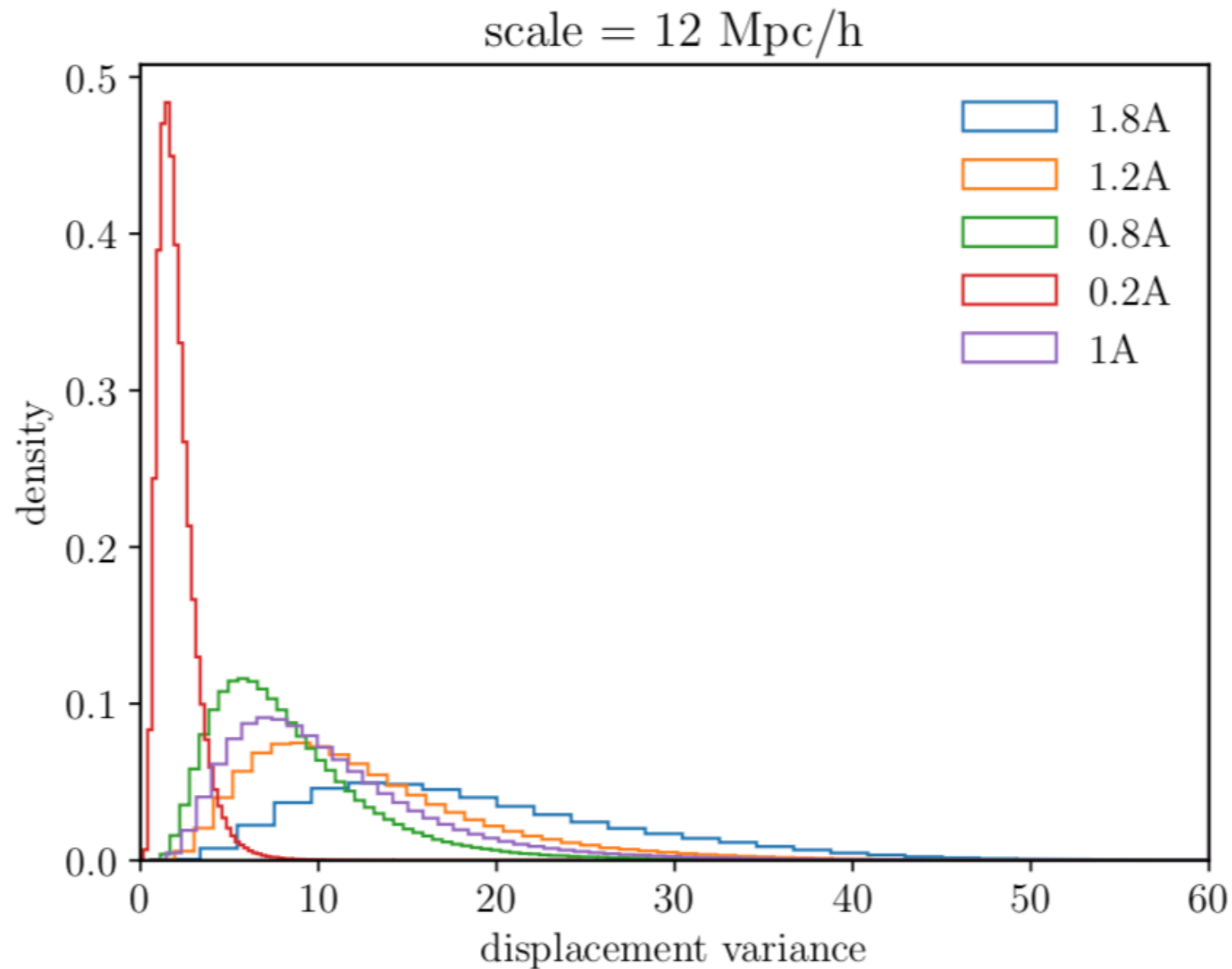


(a) Results from the density field

# Why?

- Is it possible that the model is generalizing rules from the training set that can deal with cosmological inputs with different parameter sets?
- Or maybe the model has seen these parameter sets ?

# Possible reason ?



# Conclusion

- First foray into learning cosmological parameters from LSS simulations
- First foray into unraveling the blackbox called Deep Neural Net.
- Predicts N-body like simulations in minutes (\*post training).
- Model learn about power at each scales, rotational invariance, phase preservation.
- Does the model generalize and learn real physical laws?
- Or does it generalize from the various “island universes” with different cosmological parameters?

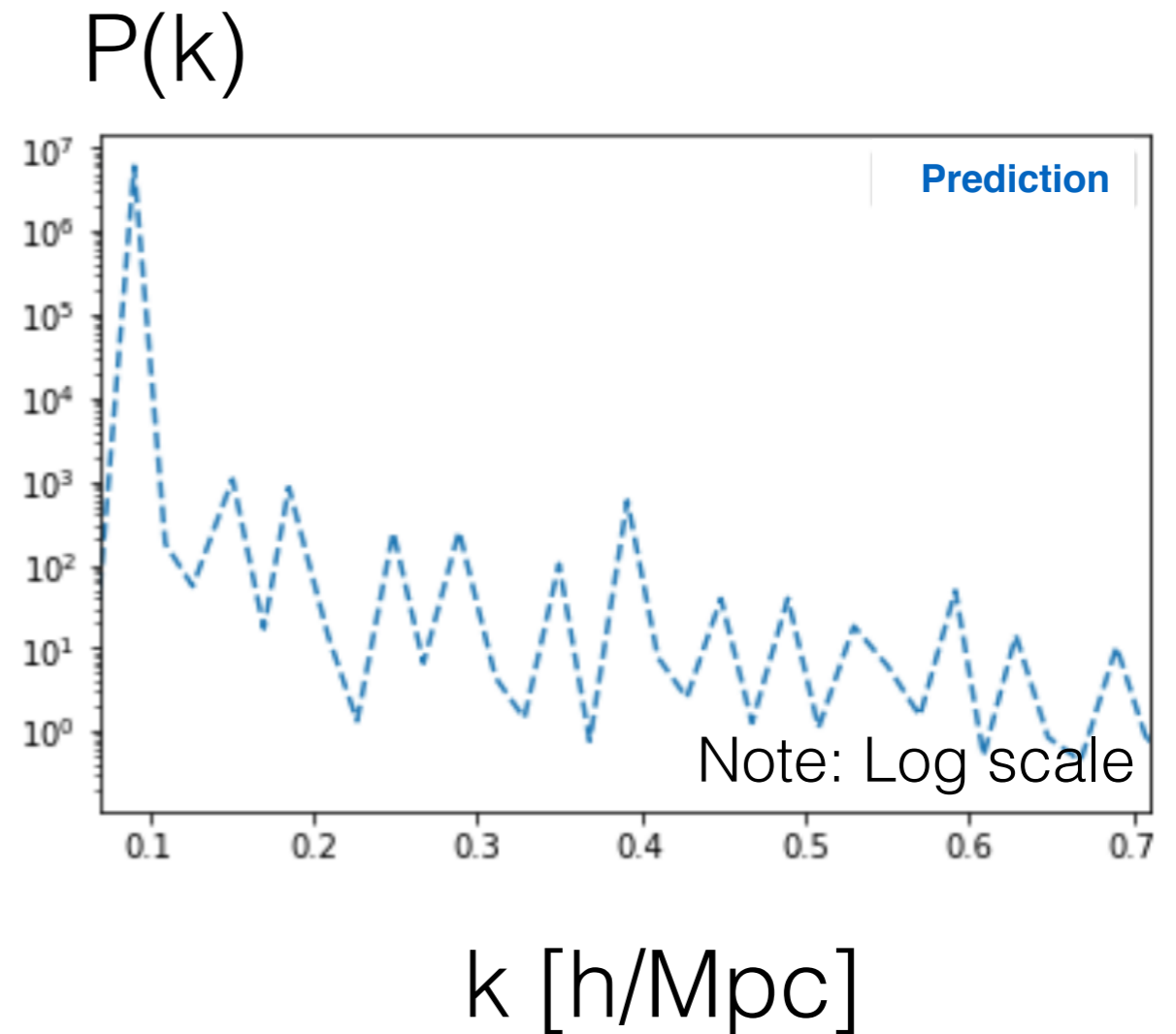
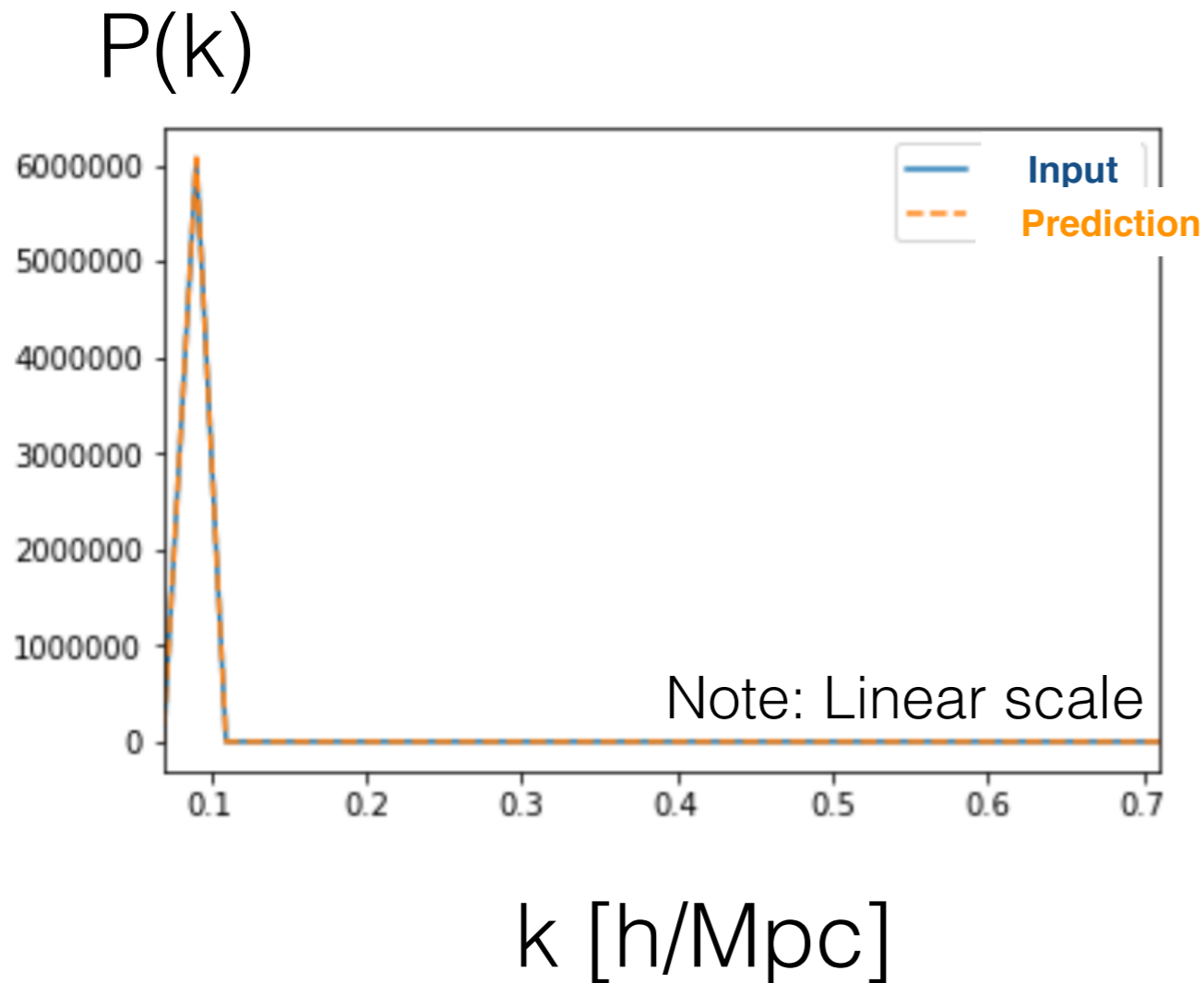


# Let's talk about what we expect first

- At large scales: physics are completely linear, and can be fully represented by the analytical inputs, so the large scales should be preserved at the output
- At small scales: physics are not well modeled by linear theory, so we expect that the model predict both small scale power and large scale powers.
- We have predictions from perturbation theory to higher order, but these are not complete, but we hope to use these as guidance/prior. Another interesting question: What is the best way to incorporate intuition / prior knowledge in the network?

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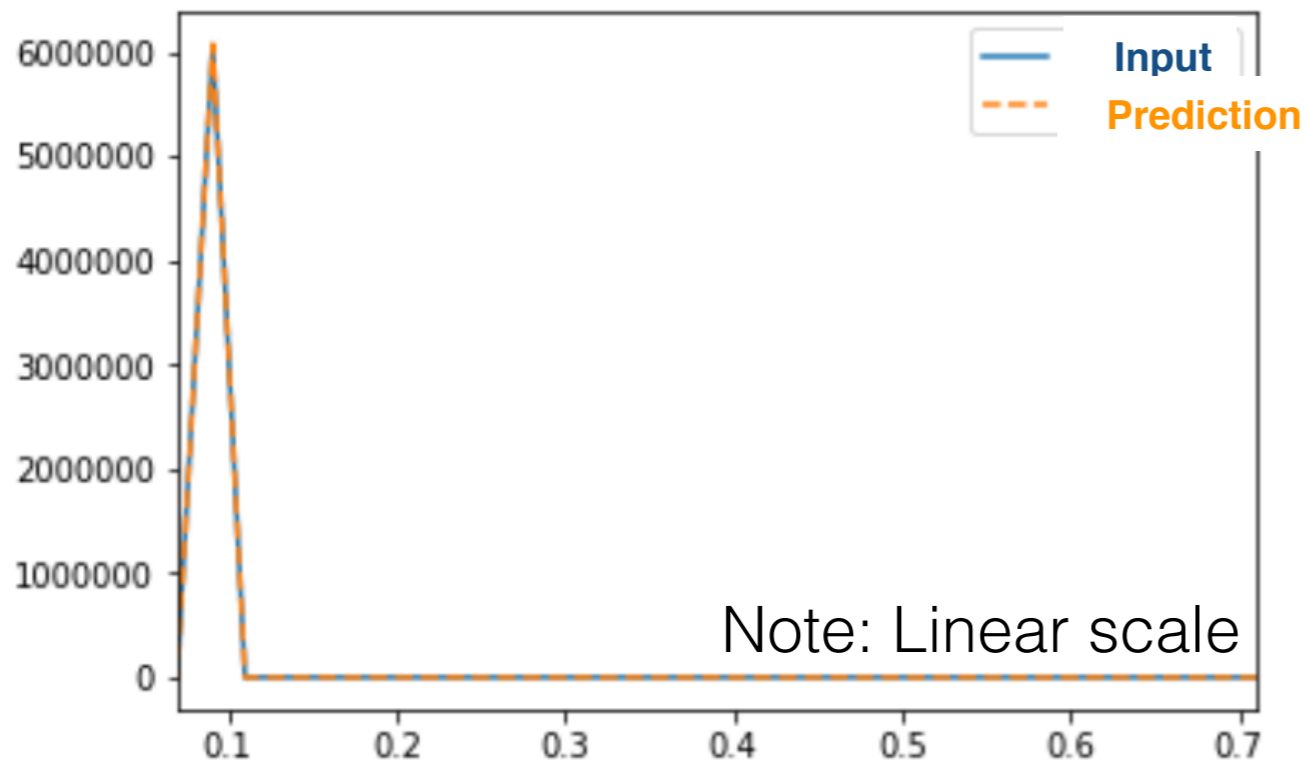
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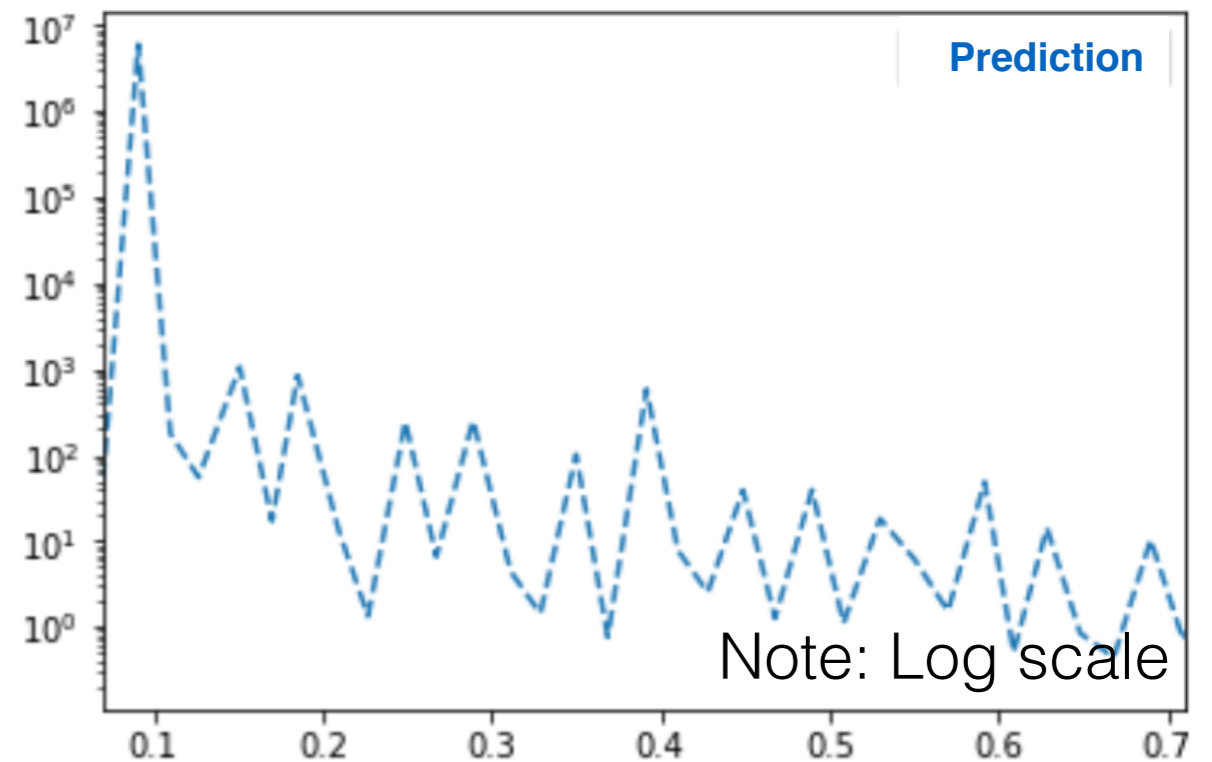
*Power at one large scale gives power at multiple scales*

$P(k)$



$k$  [h/Mpc]

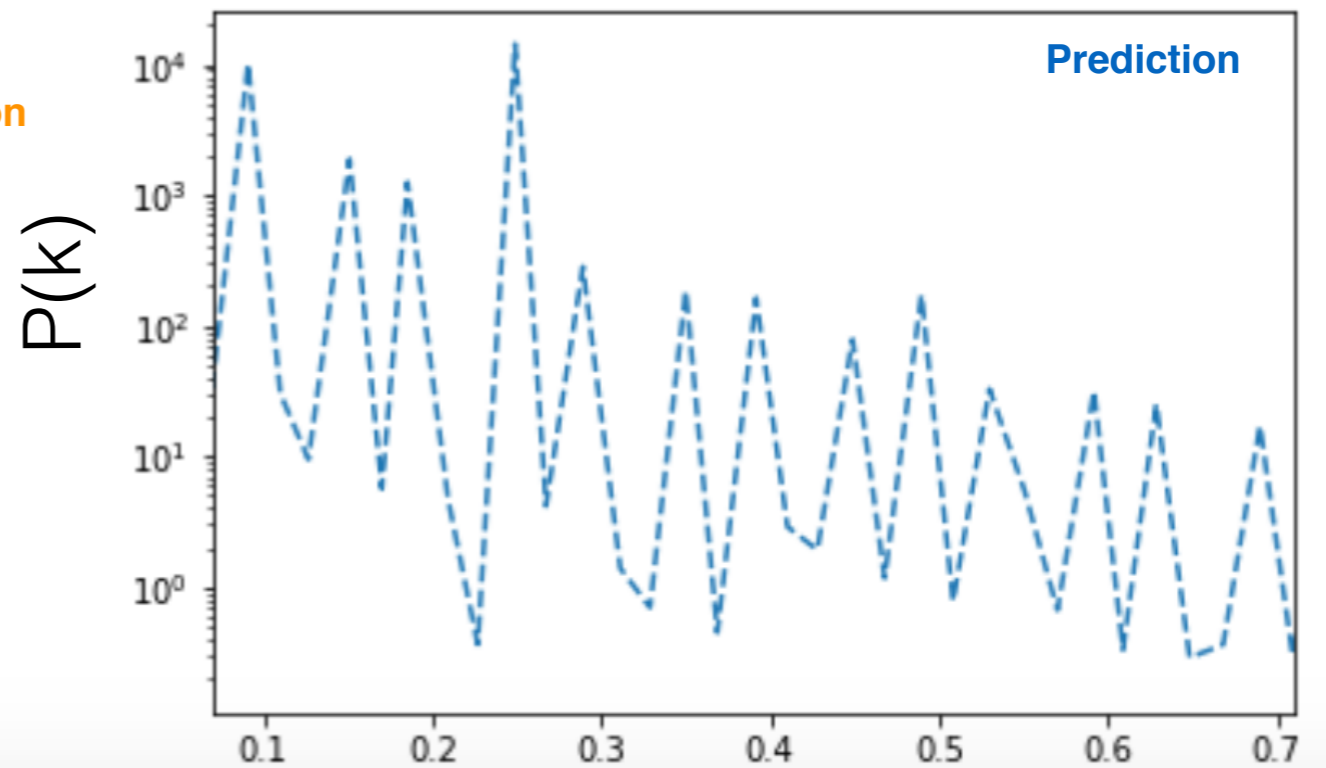
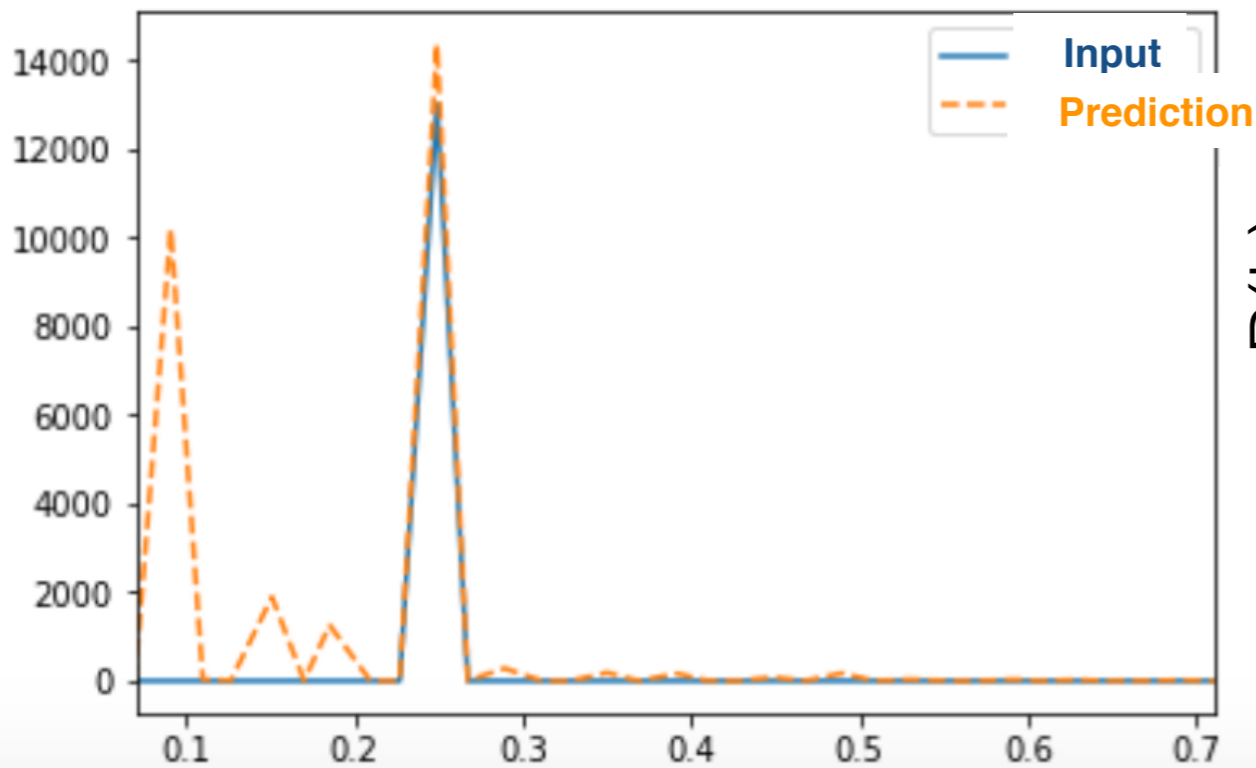
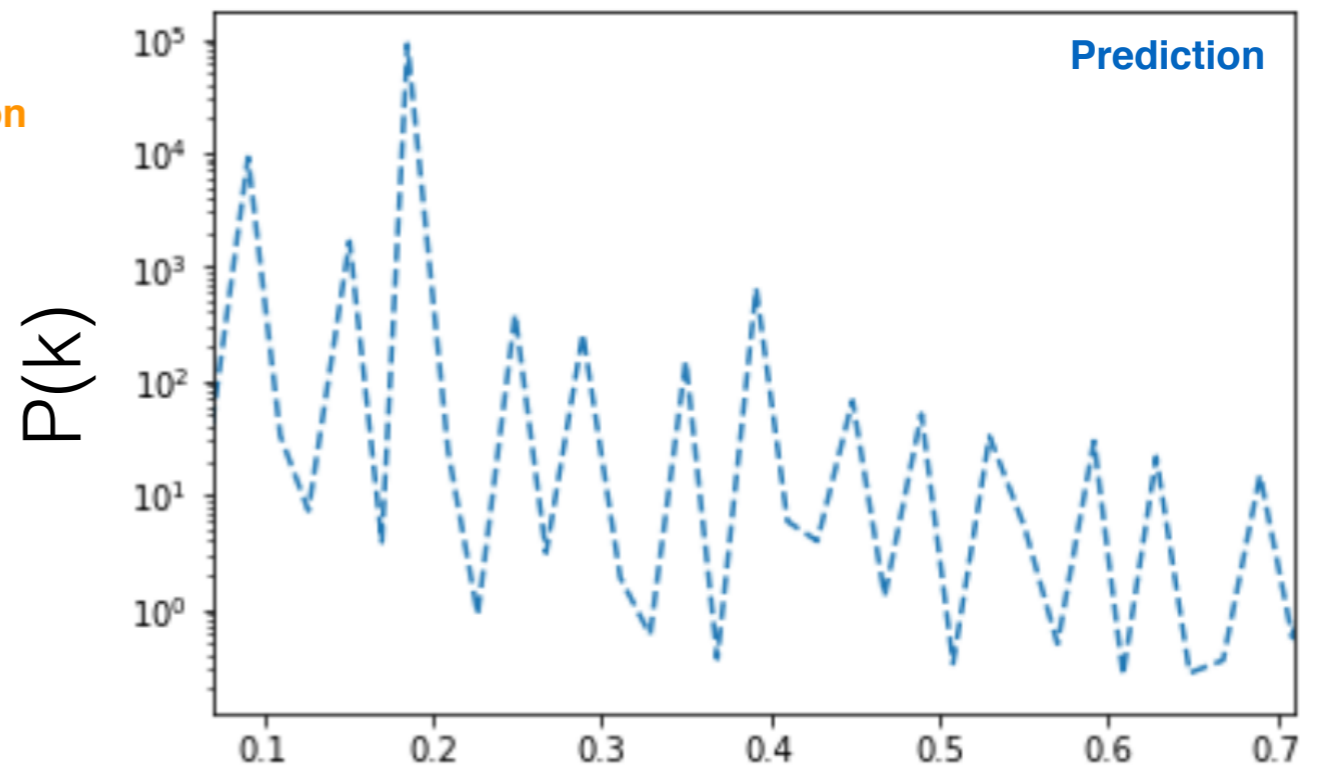
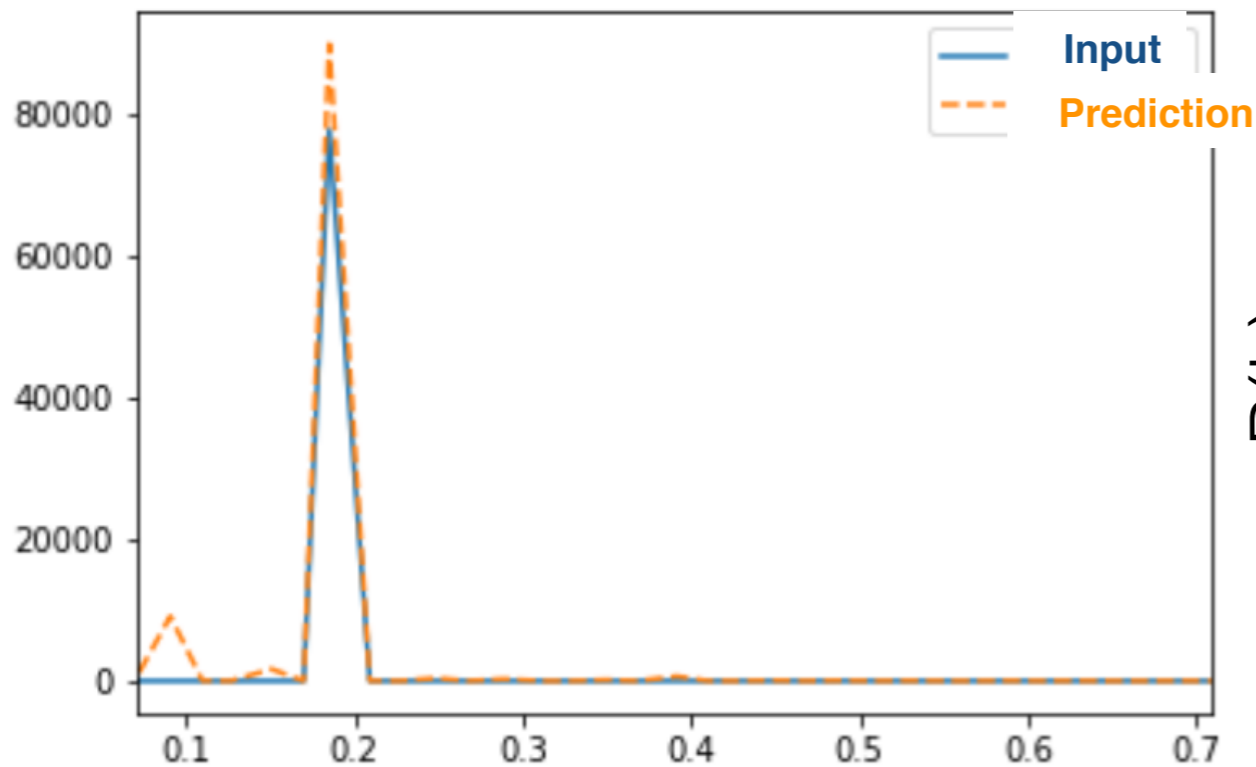
$P(k)$



$k$  [h/Mpc]



# Moving the input mode to smaller scales.



$k$  [h/Mpc]

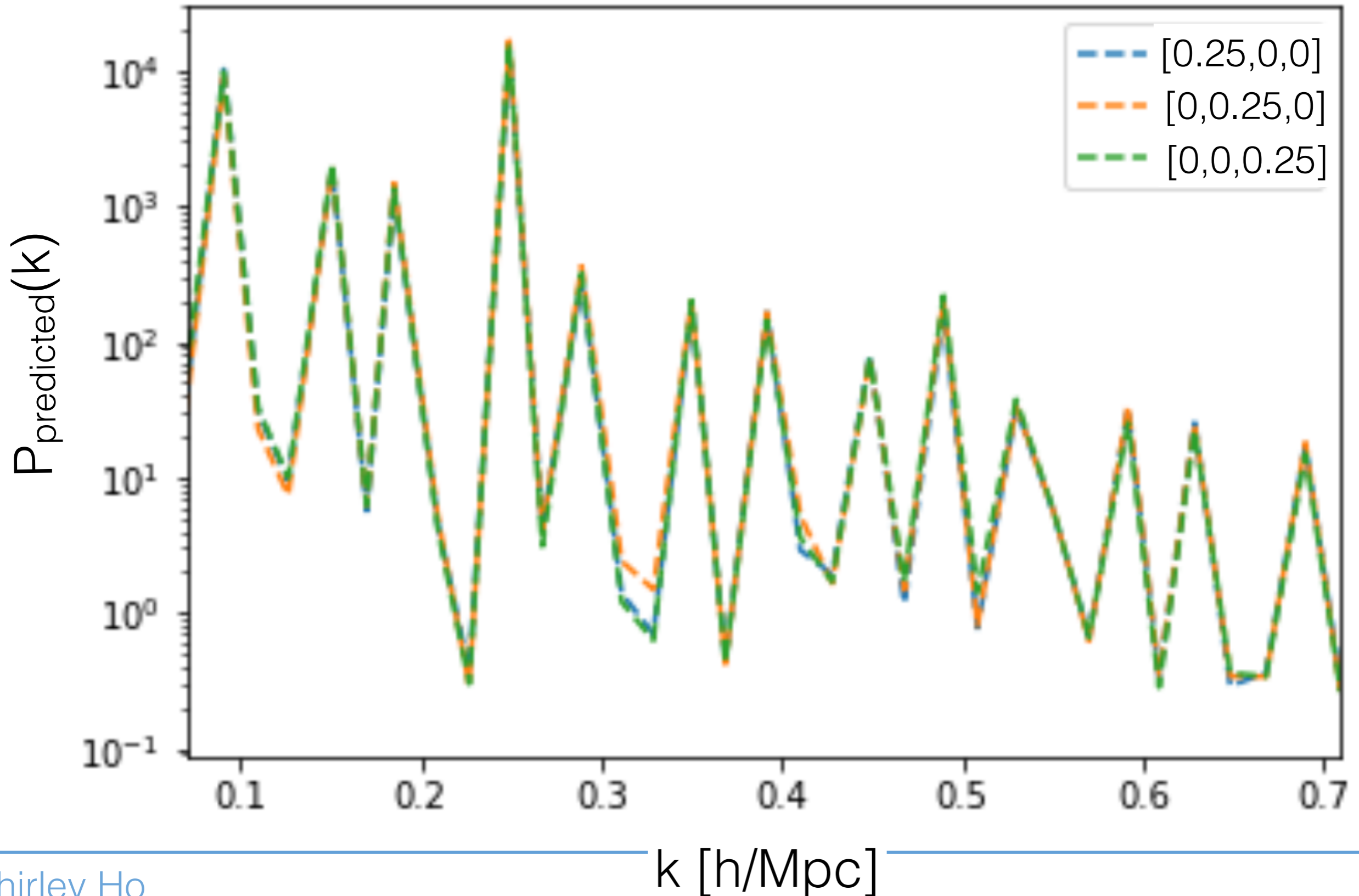
$k$  [h/Mpc]

# Is Rotational Invariance learnt by the model?

Aka: If I input same power at modes at  $k_x$ ,  $k_y$ ,  $k_z$  independently they should give the same power

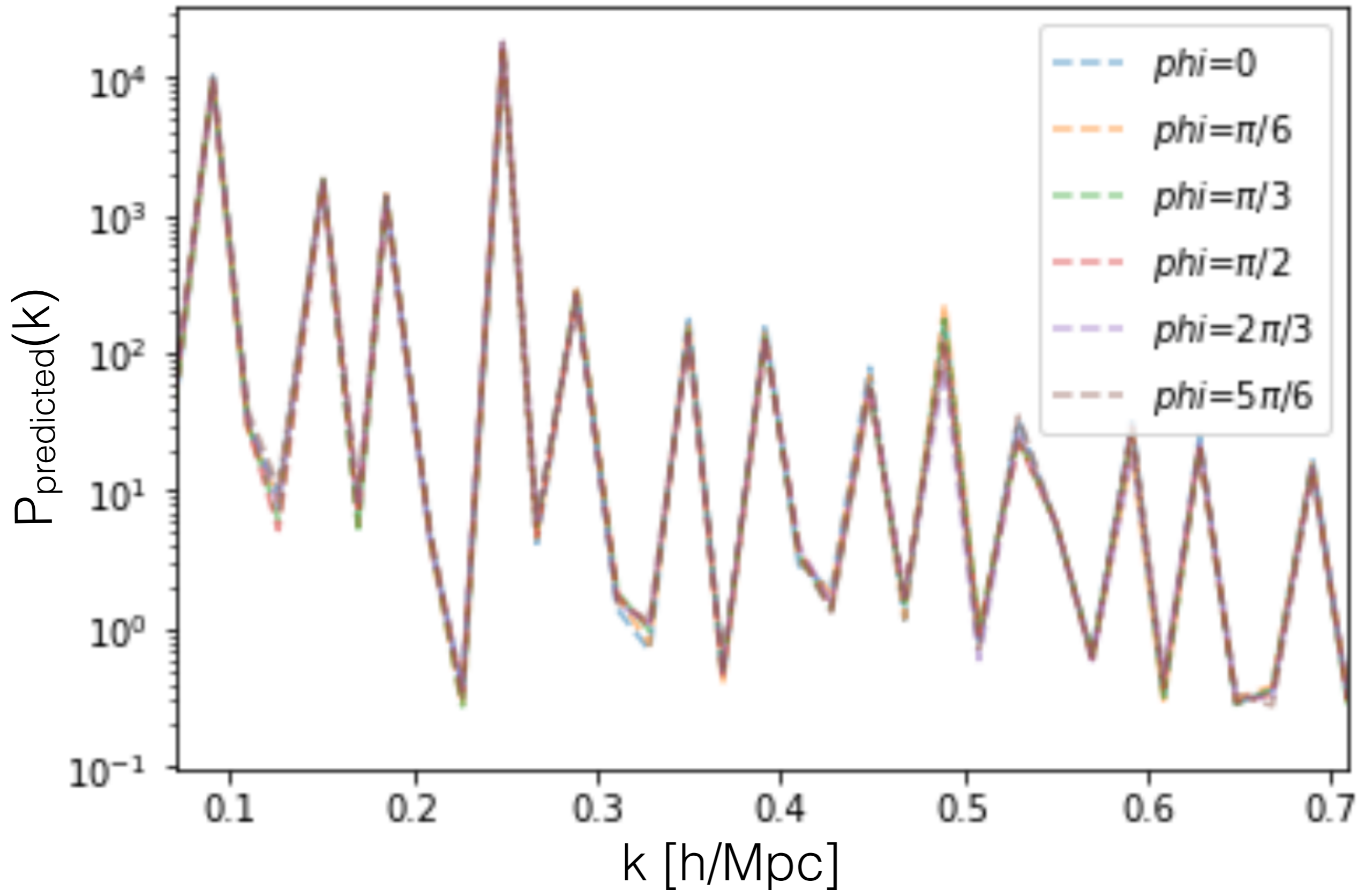
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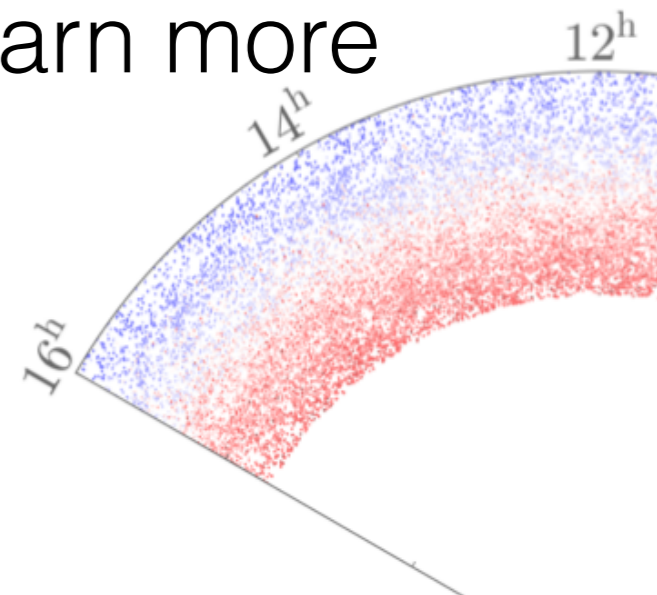


# What did the model learn so far?

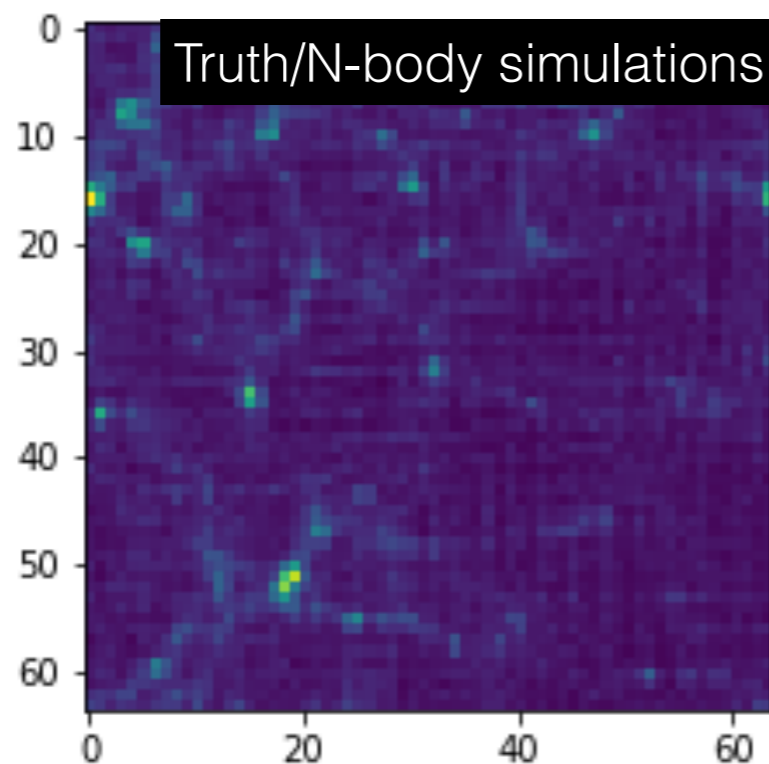
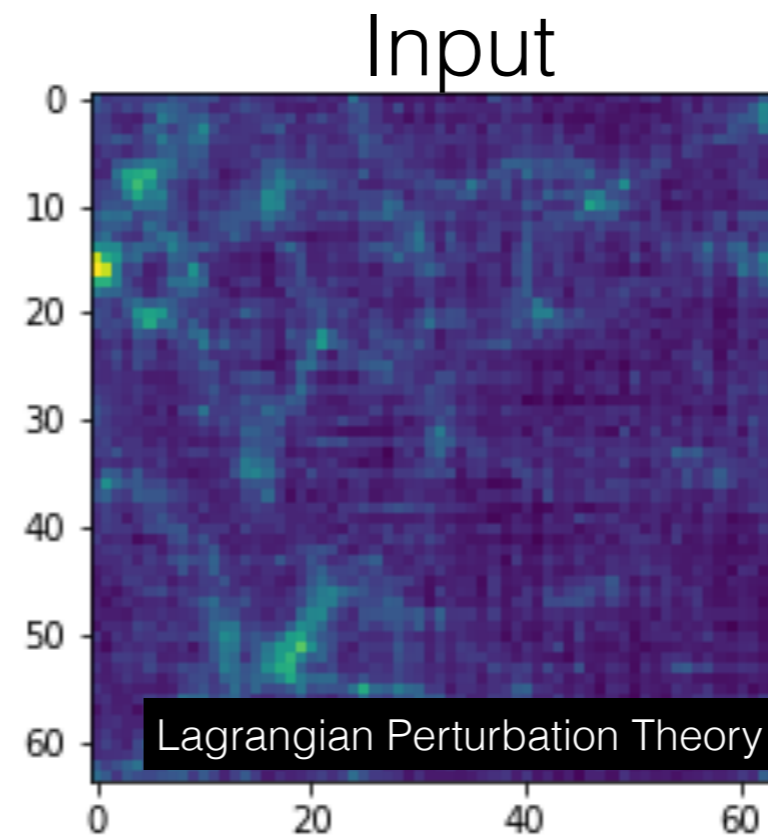
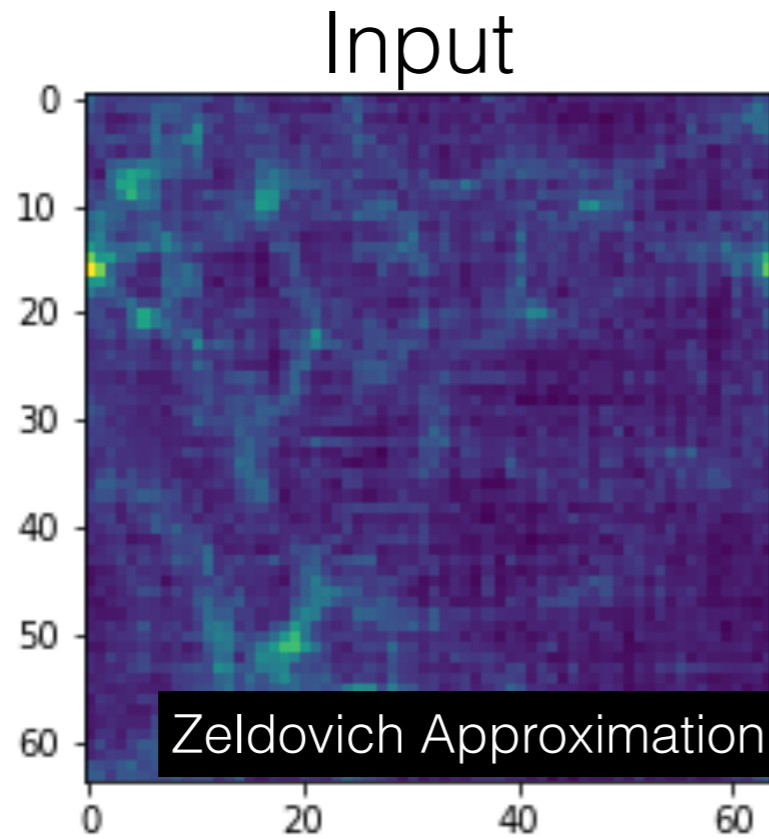
- power at one single mode gives power at many scales
- rotational invariance is learnt by the model
- power at different phases predicts the same power
- slight excess at large scales that are not expected (possible to fix with different models?)

# Looking forward

- Improving the models, and see if the excess power at large scale will go away
- Compare what the model has learnt to classical theory (LPT/2LPT/CLPT/EFT..)
- Discover new physics with Machine Learning!/?
- Combine LSS and CMB [with realism] and learn more about our Universe!



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