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Lecture 14

Remember $H^2 = \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} g(t)$; $g(t) = \frac{g_0}{a(t)^3}$ (for matter) $(k=0)$

Have to solve $\ddot{a}/a = \text{const}$

Ansatz: $a(t) = t^q$ $\dot{a} = q t^{q-1} \sim t^{q-1}$

$$\ddot{a}/a \sim t^{2(q-1)} \cdot t^q = \text{const} = t^0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2q-2+q=0 \Rightarrow q = \frac{2}{3} \Rightarrow a(t) \sim t^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

For radiation, $g_r \sim \frac{1}{a^4}$ similarly $a(t) \sim t^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{t}$

Age of the Universe

Matter domination ($\rho_m \gg \rho_r$) $a \sim t^{\frac{2}{3}}$

$$H(t) = \frac{\dot{a}}{a} = \frac{\frac{2}{3}t^{-\frac{1}{3}}}{t^{\frac{2}{3}}} = \frac{2}{3t}; t=t_0 \Rightarrow H=H_0 = 70 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1} \sim 2.3 \cdot 10^{18} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$H_0 = \frac{2}{3t_0} \Rightarrow t_0 = \frac{2}{3H_0} = \frac{2}{3 \cdot 2.3 \cdot 10^{18}} \text{ s} = 3 \cdot 10^{17} \text{ s} \approx 10^{10} \text{ years}$$

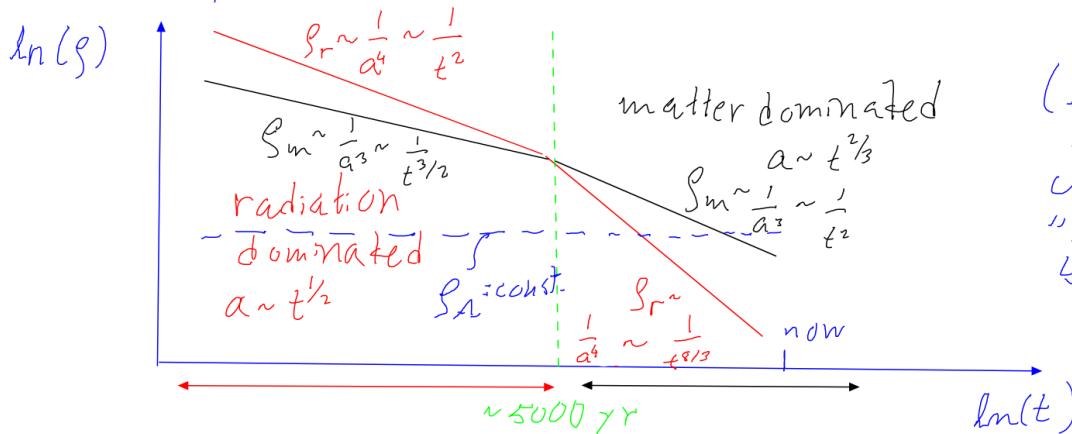
How important is radiation?

At present time, it is very small, CMB $\Rightarrow \rho_r/\rho_m \sim 10^{-5}$

However, $\frac{\rho_r}{\rho_m} \sim \frac{\frac{1}{a^4}}{\frac{1}{a^3}} \sim \frac{1}{a} \Rightarrow$ In earliest univ. $a \rightarrow 0$
radiation dominated

Curvature $-\frac{k}{a^2} \Rightarrow$ completely negligible in early univ.

(Also, present data indicate $k \sim 0$)



(Actually, as we have said, the universe is now "matter dominated", but this is for very small $z \lesssim 2$)

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} H^2 = \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G_N}{3} \rho - \frac{k}{a^2} \text{ (I) Friedmann} \\ \dot{\rho} + 3\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)(\rho + p) = 0 \text{ (II) Fluid} \end{array} \right.$$

Time derivative of (I):

$$\underbrace{\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2}_{= \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho - 3\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)(\rho + p)} = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho - k \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{a^2}\right)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\dot{a}^2 \cdot \frac{1}{a^2}\right) = \frac{2\ddot{a}\dot{a}}{a^2} + \dot{a}^2 \left(-\frac{2\dot{a}}{a^3}\right) = 2\frac{\dot{a}}{a} \left[\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} - \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2\right]$$

$$\text{Thus, } 2\frac{\dot{a}}{a} \left[\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} - \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2\right] = -8\pi G_N \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)(\rho + p) + 2\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right) \frac{k}{a^2}$$

Divide by $2\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)$:

$$\left[\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} - \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 \right] = -4\pi G_N (\rho + p) + \cancel{\frac{k}{a^2}}$$

$$(\text{I}) \Rightarrow \frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho + \cancel{\frac{k}{a^2}}$$

We finally get

$$\boxed{\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{4\pi G_N}{3} (\rho + 3p)}$$

Acceleration equation

The cosmological constant

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Einstein wanted (like everybody at that time) a static universe. He noted that in GR it is possible to add a cosmological constant,

Λ (Lambda)

→ This modifies the Friedmann equation to

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi G_N}{3} g - \frac{k}{a^2} + \frac{\Lambda}{3}$$

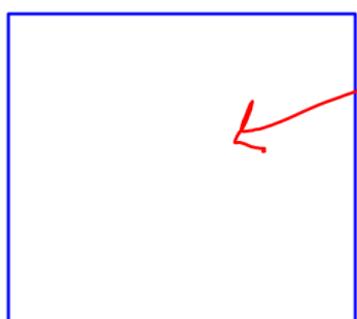
$g_m + g_r$

$$\text{write } g_{\Lambda} = \frac{\Lambda}{8\pi G_N} \Rightarrow g = \sum_{i=m,r,\Lambda} g_i$$

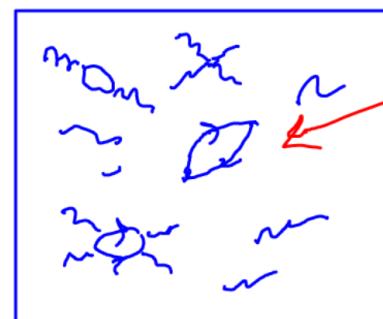
$$\Rightarrow \ddot{a}/a = -\frac{4\pi G_N}{3} \sum_{i=m,r,\Lambda} (g_i + 3p_i) = -\frac{4\pi G_N}{3} \sum_i g_i (1+3w_i)$$

\Rightarrow deceleration
for mass and radiation; however $g_{\Lambda} + 3p_{\Lambda} < 0$!

Modern interpretation: Λ is energy of the vacuum



Vacuum
of
antiquity



Modern
vacuum-
fluctuations
(cf. Lamb
shift in
atoms)

We had $\dot{S}_\Lambda = \frac{\Lambda}{8\pi G}$ (constant) (4)

and $\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} (\rho_m + \rho_r + \rho_\Lambda) - \frac{k}{a^2}$

Equation of state for Λ ?

Use fluid eqn.; $S_\Lambda = \text{const} \Rightarrow \dot{S}_\Lambda = 0$

But $\underbrace{\dot{S}_\Lambda}_{=0} + 3\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)(\rho_\Lambda + p_\Lambda) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \rho_\Lambda + p_\Lambda = 0; \quad p_\Lambda = -\rho_\Lambda$$

cf. $P = w \cdot \rho \Rightarrow w = -1$ for Λ

If $\rho_\Lambda > 0$ then $p_\Lambda < 0$ Negative pressure!

Λ (or something similar, with $p < 0$) is often called dark energy.

Critical density: suppose $k=0$

$$\Rightarrow H^2(t) = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho_c(t) \Rightarrow \boxed{\rho_c = \frac{3H^2(t)}{8\pi G}}$$

$$t = t_0 \text{ (now)} \Rightarrow \rho_c(t_0) = \frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G} = \dots = 1.88 \cdot 10^{26} \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$(H_0 = h \cdot 100 \text{ km/s/Mpc})$

$$1 \text{ solar mass } m_0 = 1.989 \cdot 10^{30} \text{ kg}$$

$$1 \text{ mpc}^3 = (3.09 \cdot 10^{22} \text{ m})^3 = 2.9 \cdot 10^{67} \text{ m}^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho_c = \underbrace{2.7 h^{-1} \cdot 10^{11} m_0}_{\text{typical galaxy mass}} / \underbrace{(h^{-1} \text{ Mpc})^3}_{\text{typical distance between galaxies}}$$

$$\text{Define density parameter } \Omega(t) = \frac{\rho(t)}{\rho_c(t)} =$$

$$= \frac{\rho_m(t) + \rho_r(t)}{\rho_c(t)} \leftarrow \frac{3H^2(t)}{8\pi G} = \Omega_m(t) + \Omega_r(t);$$

$$\Omega_\lambda = \frac{1}{3H(t)^2}, \quad \Omega_k = -\frac{k}{H(t)^2 a^2(t)}$$

$$\Rightarrow H^2(t) = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \underbrace{\rho_c(t) [\Omega_m(t) + \Omega_r(t)]}_{\Omega_m + \Omega_r \quad g(t)} + \underbrace{\Omega_k(t) H^2(t)}_{-\frac{k}{a^2}} + \underbrace{\Omega_\lambda(t) H^2(t)}_{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= H^2(t) [\Omega(t) + \Omega_k(t) + \Omega_\lambda(t)]$$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_m(t) + \Omega_r(t) + \Omega_k(t) + \Omega_\lambda(t) = 1$$

\Rightarrow Not all four can vary independently

$$\Omega_k = -\frac{k}{H^2(t) a^2(t)} \Rightarrow \frac{k}{H^2 a^2} = \Omega_m + \Omega_r + \Omega_\lambda - 1$$

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$$\frac{k}{H^2 a^2} = \underbrace{\Omega}_{\Omega_m + \Omega_r} + \Omega_\lambda - 1$$

\Rightarrow open universe ($k < 0$) if $\Omega + \Omega_\lambda < 1$

flat $(k=0)$ $\Omega + \Omega_\lambda = 1$

closed $(k>0)$ $\Omega + \Omega_\lambda > 1$

Def $\Omega_M = \Omega_m(t_0)$, $\Omega_R = \Omega_{r0}(t_0)$, $\Omega_\Lambda = \Omega_\lambda(t_0)$

$$\text{we had } \rho_m \sim \frac{1}{a^3(t)} \Rightarrow \frac{\rho_m(t)}{\rho_m(t_0)} = \frac{a_0^3}{a^3}; \rho_m(t) = \rho_m(t_0) \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right)^3$$

In similar way, $\rho_{rad}(t) = \rho_{rad}(t_0) \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right)^4$ instead of 3

$$\rho_k = \rho_k(t_0) \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right)^2, \rho_\Lambda = \rho_\Lambda(t_0) \quad \text{due to redshift}$$

$$\Rightarrow H^2(t) = H_0^2 \left[\Omega_M \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right)^3 + \Omega_R \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right)^4 + \Omega_K \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right)^2 + \Omega_\Lambda \right]$$

$$\text{But } \frac{a_0}{a} = (1+z) \quad (\text{redshift})$$

use z instead of (lookback) time as variable

$$\Rightarrow H^2(z) = H_0^2 \left[\Omega_M (1+z)^3 + \Omega_R (1+z)^4 + \Omega_K (1+z)^2 + \Omega_\Lambda \right]$$

Measurements: ~ 0.3 $\sim 10^{-5}$ $\sim 10^{-3}$ ~ 0.7

\Rightarrow Today, matter and cosm. const. dominate!

And $\underbrace{\Omega}_{\Omega_M + \Omega_R} + \Omega_\Lambda = 1$ to within 1 permille

$$\Omega_M + \Omega_R$$

\Rightarrow Universe is geometrically flat

Deceleration (or, rather acceleration) parameter

historical
name

$a = a(t)$; for $t \approx t_0$ use Taylor expansion:

$$a(t) = a(t_0) + \dot{a}(t_0)(t-t_0) + \frac{\ddot{a}}{2!} (t-t_0)^2 + \dots =$$

$$= a(t_0) \left[1 + \underbrace{\frac{\dot{a}(t_0)}{a(t_0)}}_{= H_0} (t-t_0) + \frac{\ddot{a}}{a} \frac{(t_0-t)^2}{2} + \dots \right] =$$

$$\equiv a(t_0) \left[1 + H_0(t-t_0) - g_0 H_0^2 (t-t_0)^2 + \dots \right]$$

This defines the deceleration parameter

$$g_0 = - \frac{\dot{a}(t_0)}{a(t_0) H_0^2} \quad (\text{dimensionless})$$

Acceleration eqn.

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = - \frac{4\pi G}{3} (g + 3p) = - \frac{4\pi G}{3} (1 + 3w) g$$

We have multiple "fluids", matter, radiation, Λ , thus

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = - \frac{4\pi G}{3} \sum_i \rho_i (1 + 3w_i) = - \frac{4\pi G}{3} \sum_i \rho_i (1 + 3w_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow g_0 = \frac{-\dot{a}(t_0)}{H_0^2 a(t_0)} = \frac{4\pi G}{3 H_0^2} \sum_i \rho_i(t_0) (1 + 3w_i)$$

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$$f_c(t_0) = \frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G} \Rightarrow$$

Put $\Omega_K \approx 0$ and also $\Omega_R \approx 0$

$$w_\Lambda = -1 \quad w_M = 0$$

$$\stackrel{3H_0^2}{\cancel{8\pi G}} \equiv \Omega_i f_c(t_0)$$

$$\Rightarrow q_0 = \frac{4\pi G}{3H_0^2} \sum_i (1 + 3w_i) f_i(t_0) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_I \Omega_I (1 + 3w_I) = \frac{1}{2} [\Omega_M - 2\Omega_\Lambda]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \Omega_M - \Omega_\Lambda$$

$$\Omega_M + \Omega_\Lambda + \cancel{\Omega_K} + \cancel{\Omega_R} = 1$$

neglect

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_M + \Omega_\Lambda = 1 \quad \Omega_\Lambda = 1 - \Omega_M$$

$$\Rightarrow q_0 \approx \frac{3\Omega_M}{2} - 1$$

$$\Omega_M \approx 0.3 \quad \Omega_{\text{stars}} \approx 10^2 \quad \Omega_B = \Omega_{\text{stars}} + \Omega_{\text{gas, dust}}$$

baryons

≈ 0.05 (from CMB and big bang nucleosynthesis, see next lecture)

$$\Omega_M - \Omega_B = \Omega_{DM} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Dark (or rather invisible) matter} \\ \text{[non-baryonic matter]} \end{array}$$

$$\Omega_{DM} \approx 0.25$$