

Astro 507
Lecture 6
Feb. 3, 2020

Announcements:

- **Problem Set 1 due this Friday, Feb. 7**

Problem 2 involves gathering data online from SDSS

- Office Hours: Instructor 3–4 pm Wed, or by appointment
TA: noon–1pm Thursday, or by appointment

Last time: **Cosmodynamics I–Newtonian Cosmology**

result: the right answer–Dr. Friedmann’s famous equation

Suitable for framing, tweets, T-shirts, tattoos...

Q: what are the Friedmann eqs? why are they useful?

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Q: Friedmann for an empty universe with $\kappa = 0$? with $\kappa > 0$?

An Empty Universe

for now, define *empty*: no matter, radiation, fields, etc

$\rho = 0$ and $P = 0$, giving Friedmann eqs

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right) = -\frac{\kappa c^2}{R^2} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = 0 \quad (2)$$

★ $\ddot{a} = 0$: *an unaccelerated, universe!*

$(\dot{a}/a)^2 > 0$ requires $\kappa = 0$ or 1

● $\kappa = 0$: $\dot{a} = 0 \rightarrow a = 1$ always

a static universe! not ours!

★ $\kappa = -1$: $\dot{a}^2 = c^2/R^2$, solve:

$$a(t) = \frac{ct}{R}$$

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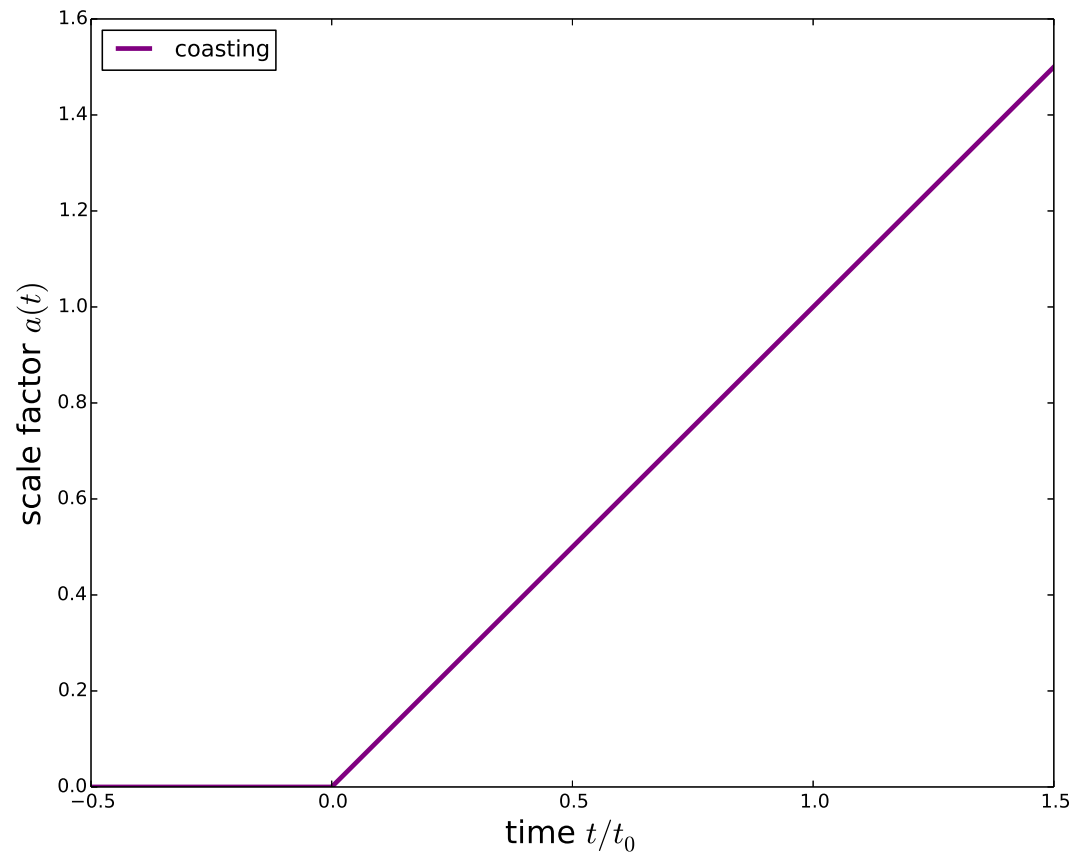
Q: assumptions in solution? physical interpretation? fate? $H(t)$?

empty $\kappa = -1$ universe: dull, but useful for reference

$$a(t) = \frac{ct}{R}$$

- solution assumed **expansion**, not contraction
and put $a = 0$ at $t = 0$: big bang! more later on this
- $a \propto t$ linear growth time
test particle separation grows with constant velocity!
unaccelerated universe \rightarrow **coasting** motion!
this is essentially the Milne universe!
- fate/destiny = behavior at large t
here $a(t)$ grows without bound: **expand forever**
- Hubble rate: $H = \dot{a}/a = 1/t$ as in Milne, not constant
evaluate today: $H_0 = 1/t_0 \rightarrow t_0 = t_{H,0}$, as in Milne
- today $a = 1 = ct_0/R$: curvature scale $R = ct_0 = d_H$

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Q: now how do we add matter?

A Matter-Only Universe

consider a universe containing *only non-relativistic matter*

Friedmann:

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3}\rho - \frac{\kappa c^2}{R^2} \frac{1}{a^2} \quad (3)$$

$$= \frac{8\pi G}{3}\rho_0 a^{-3} - \frac{\kappa c^2}{R^2} a^{-2} \quad (4)$$

For $\kappa = 0$: “Einstein-de Sitter”

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3}\rho_0 a^{-3} \quad (5)$$

evaluate today: $H_0^2 = 8\pi G\rho_0/3$

$$a^{1/2} da = H_0 dt \quad (6)$$

$$2/3 a^{3/2} = H_0 t \quad (7)$$

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Q: *implicit assumptions in solution?*

Q: *fate/destiny/far future of an Einstein-de Sitter universe?*

Einstein-de Sitter:

$$t = \frac{2}{3} a^{3/2} H_0^{-1} \quad (8)$$

$$a = \left(\frac{3}{2} H_0 t \right)^{2/3} = \left(\frac{t}{t_0} \right)^{2/3} \quad (9)$$

Now unpack the physics:

- boundary condition: $a = 0$ at $t = 0 \rightarrow$ “big bang”
- $a \propto t^{2/3}$ Q: *interpretation?*
- evaluate Hubble parameter

$$H = \frac{\dot{a}}{a} = \frac{2}{3t} \quad (10)$$

Q: *interpretation?*

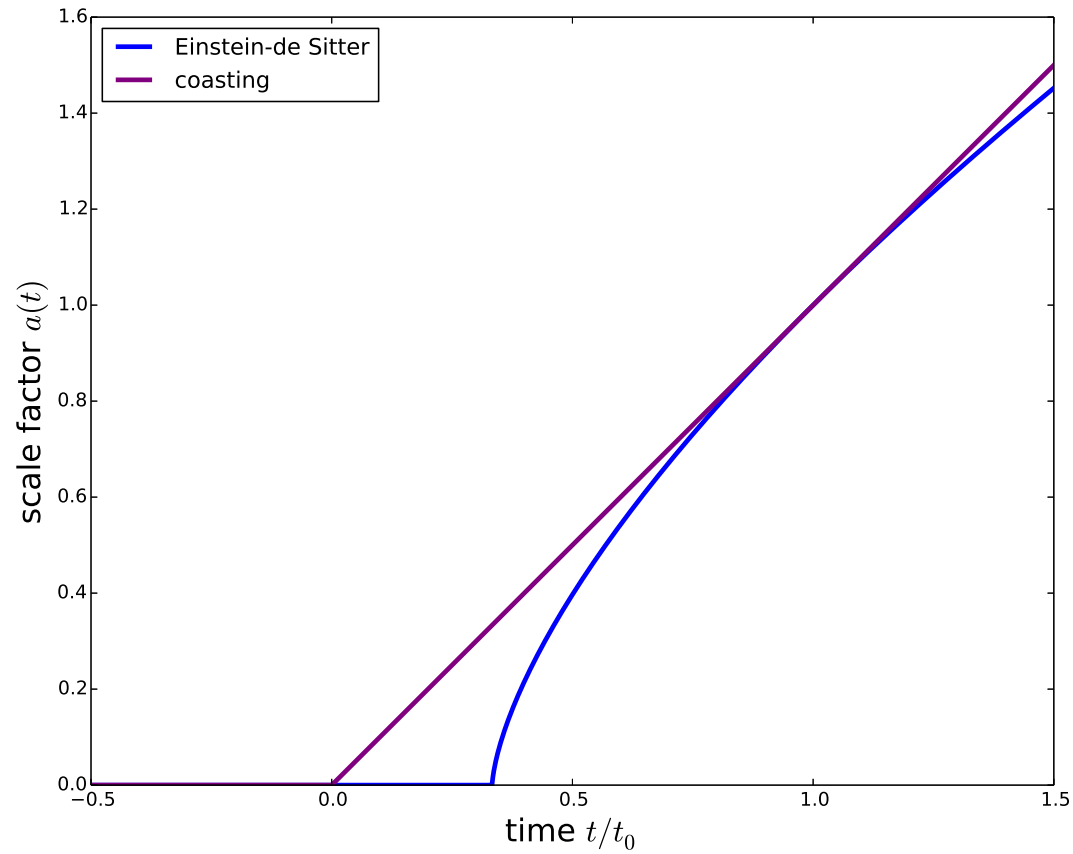
- present age:

$$t_0 = \frac{2}{3} H_0^{-1} = \frac{2}{3} t_H \quad (11)$$

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Hubble time t_H sets scale

Q: *note that $t_0 < t_H$: why?*



require both have $a(t_0) = 1$ and same $H_0 = \dot{a}(t_0)$

A Matter-Only Universe: Physical Interpretation

Einstein-de Sitter evolution:

- $a \propto t^{2/3}$: universe expands without limit
- fate: $a \rightarrow \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$: universe expands forever!
- expansion rate $H = 2/3t$: slows, $H \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$
reflects $\ddot{a} < 0$: universe **decelerates**
due to gravitational attraction of matter

Other Einstein-de Sitter fun facts:

- U. half its present age at $a = 2^{-2/3} = 0.63$
- objects half present separation (and $8\times$ more compressed)
at $t = 2^{-3/2}t_0 = 0.35t_0$
- using measured value of H_0 , calculate $t_0 = 8.9$ Gyr
but know globular clusters have ages $t_{gc} \gtrsim 12$ Gyr Q: *huh?*

Matter and Curvature

What if $\kappa = +1$?

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3}\rho_0 a^{-3} - \frac{c^2}{R^2}a^{-2}$$

a cannot grow without bound Q: *why?*

Q: *what is a_{\max} ?*

Q: *evolution after $a = a_{\max}$? cosmic fate?*

What if $\kappa = -1$?

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3}\rho_0 a^{-3} + \frac{c^2}{R^2}a^{-2}$$

Q: *what is a_{\max} ? cosmic fate?*

Matter and Curvature

if $\kappa = +1$: *positive curvature*

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3}\rho_0 a^{-3} - \frac{c^2}{R^2}a^{-2}$$

- $H = \dot{a}/a = 0$ when $a = a_{\max} = 8\pi GR^2/3c^2$
- but for all t , all a : $\ddot{a}/a = -4\pi G\rho/3 < 0$
→ after maximum, $H < 0$ → *universe contracts*
fate: collapse continues back to $a = 0$: **“big crunch!”**

if $\kappa = -1$: *negative curvature*

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3}\rho_0 a^{-3} + \frac{c^2}{R^2}a^{-2}$$

$H > 0$ for all a → a grows without bound

fate: expand forever—**“big chill”!**

at large t , **“curvature-dominated”**: $a(t) \rightarrow ct/R$

Q: *how can we tell what our κ value is?*

Geometry, Density, and Dynamics

rewrite Friedmann

$$1 = \frac{8\pi G\rho}{3H^2} - \frac{\kappa c^2}{R^2}(aH)^{-2} = \Omega - \frac{\kappa c^2}{R^2}(aH)^{-2} \quad (12)$$

where the **density parameter** is

$$\Omega = \frac{\rho}{\rho_{\text{crit}}} \quad (13)$$

where the **critical density** is

$$\rho_{\text{crit}} = \frac{3H^2}{8\pi G} \quad (14)$$

Note: for a particular density component ρ_i
corresponding density parameter is $\Omega_i = \rho_i/\rho_{\text{crit}}$
total $\Omega \equiv \Omega_{\text{tot}}$ sums all species: $\Omega = \sum_i \Omega_i$

Note that

$$\kappa = \left(\frac{aHR}{c} \right)^2 (\Omega - 1) = (\text{pos def}) \times (\Omega - 1)$$

geometry (and fate*) of Universe $\Leftrightarrow \kappa \Leftrightarrow \Omega - 1$

if $\Omega = 1$ ever:

- $\Omega = 1$ always; $\kappa = 0 \rightarrow$ no curvature, expand forever

if $\Omega < 1$ ever:

- $\Omega < 1$ always; $\kappa = -1 \rightarrow$ negative curvature, expand forever

if $\Omega > 1$ ever:

- $\Omega > 1$ always; $\kappa = +1 \rightarrow$ positive curvature, recollapse

Q: but if Ω just a stand-in for κ , why useful?

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* κ always gives geometry, but κ and fate decoupled if $\Lambda \neq 0$

Geometry and Fate are Knowable!

we saw: κ found from Ω

and: we can determine $\Omega \propto \rho/H^2$
from *locally measurable quantities* ρ and H :
→ cosmic fate & geometry knowable!
...and become *experimental questions!*

But recall:

so far, only have considered non-relativistic matter
definitely an incomplete picture
→ at minimum, must include photons!

To Be or Not to Be Relativistic

for a particle (“species”) of mass m

relativistic status set by comparison: **typical speed v** vs c

equivalent to comparing: typical E_{kin} vs mc^2

but if thermal, $E_{\text{kin}} \sim kT$

→ relativistic: $kT \gg mc^2$ → non-relativistic: $kT \ll mc^2$

massless particles

if $m = 0$: always have $v = c$ → forever relativistic

massive particles

if $m > 0$: *always* a time in Early U when $kT \gg mc^2$

→ massive particles born relativistic, become non-rel!

→ relativistic status is time-dependent!

Q: are there species which are always relativistic? non?

Q: what is relativistic, non-rel today?

Today: $kT_{\text{CMB},0} \sim 10^{-4}$ eV

always: photons relativistic because $m_\gamma = 0$

gravitons also massless (if they exist)

clearly: $m_e c^2, m_p c^2 \gg kT_0 \rightarrow$ non-relativistic today!

but *were* relativistic in early U

but what about *neutrinos*?

we know: 3 massive species exist

do not (yet!) know mass of any species

but we *do* know their mass differences

for experts: oscillation experiments measure $\delta m_{ij}^2 = m_i^2 - m_j^2$

which set a laboratory-based *lower limit*:

heaviest neutrino must have $m_\nu > 0.04$ eV

\rightarrow *at least one ν species non-relativistic today!*

\rightarrow contributes to Ω_{matter}

Redshifts I

quick-n-dirty: **wavelengths are lengths!** ..it's right there in the name!

→ expansion stretches photon λ

$$\lambda \propto a$$

if *emit* photon at t_{em} , then at later times

$$\lambda(t) = \lambda_{emit} \frac{a(t)}{a(t_{em})} \quad (15)$$

if *observe* later, $\lambda_{obs} = \lambda_{em} a_{obs}/a_{em}$

measure redshift today:

$$z = \frac{\lambda_{obs} - \lambda_{em}}{\lambda_{em}} = \frac{1 - a_{em}}{a_{em}} \quad (16)$$

high z \leftrightarrow small a \leftrightarrow distant past

Newtonian Derivation of Redshift: Hubble & Doppler

slower-n-cleaner: non-relativistic Doppler

non-rel Doppler sez:

$$\frac{\delta\lambda}{\lambda} \equiv z = \frac{v}{c} \quad (17)$$

Hubble sez:

$$cz = Hr \quad (18)$$

Together

$$\frac{\delta\lambda}{\lambda} = \frac{Hr}{c} \quad (19)$$

But light travels distance r in time $\delta t = r/c$, so

$$\frac{\delta\lambda}{\lambda} = H\delta t = \frac{\dot{a}\delta t}{a} = \frac{\delta a}{a} \quad (20)$$

for arriving light, fractional λ change = fractional a change!

Scale Factor and Redshift

$$a = \frac{1}{1+z}$$
$$z = \frac{1}{a} - 1$$

recordholders to date—most distant objects [www](#): recordholders

- farthest quasar: $z = 7.085$
- farthest gamma-ray burst: $z \approx 9.2$
- farthest galaxy: $z \sim 12$ (photometric data only)

For $z = 12$, *when light emitted*:

→ scale factor was $a = 0.08$

interparticle (intergalactic) distances 8% of today!

→ galaxies were 13 times closer

squeezed into volumes 2200 times smaller!

→ age: $t = \frac{2}{3} \Omega_m^{-1/2} t_H / (1+z)^{3/2} = 0.026 t_H = 370 \text{ Myr}$

Q: implications of seeing galaxies and GRBs at such z ?

Redshifts and Photon Energies

in photon picture of light: $E_\gamma = hc/\lambda$

so in cosmological context photons have

$$E_\gamma \propto \frac{1}{a} \quad (21)$$

→ γ energy redshifts

Consequences:

▷ Q: *photon energy density* $\varepsilon(a)$?

▷ if thermal radiation,

Q: $T \leftrightarrow \lambda$ connection?

Q: expansion effect on T ?

Relativistic Species

Photon energy density: $\varepsilon_\gamma = E_\gamma n_\gamma$

average photon energy: $E_\gamma \propto a^{-1}$

photon number density: conserved $n_\gamma \propto a^{-3}$ (if no emission/absorption)

$\Rightarrow \varepsilon_\gamma \propto a^{-4}$

Thermal (blackbody) radiation:

Wien's law: $T \propto 1/\lambda_{\max}$

but since $\lambda \propto a \rightarrow$ then $T \propto 1/a$

Consequences:

- $\varepsilon_\gamma \propto T^4$: Boltzmann/Planck!
- T decreases \rightarrow U cools!

today: CMB $T_0 = 2.725 \pm 0.001$ K

distant but “garden variety” quasar: $z = 3$

“feels” $T = 8$ K (effect observed!)