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Deadline

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Part a) What happens if we do not neglect pressure from the perturbation equation?

$$\ddot{\delta} + 2H\dot{\delta} - 4\pi G\rho_0\delta - \frac{c_s^2}{a}\nabla^2\delta = 0$$

First, I am going to solve this equation neglecting pressure so I can compare it later.

Fourier Modes:

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_i &= \delta_0 e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \\ \vec{v}_i &= \vec{v}_0 e^{i(kx - \omega t)}\end{aligned}$$

Starting w/  $\ddot{\delta}$  term by plugging in the scalar Fourier mode (assuming perturbations are scalars):

$$\ddot{\delta} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \left[ \delta_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[ -i\omega \delta_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \right]$$

$$= -\omega^2 \delta_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

$$\ddot{\delta} = -\omega^2 \delta_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

Now moving onto  $\dot{\delta}$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\delta} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[ \delta_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \right] \\ &= -i\omega \delta_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)}\end{aligned}$$

Now plugging the derivatives into the original equations:

$$\left( -\omega^2 \delta_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \right) + 2H \left( -i\omega \delta_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \right) -$$

$$4\pi G \rho_0 \left( \delta_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \right) - 0 = 0$$

setting pressure term to 0

$$-\delta_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \omega^2 - 2H i \omega \delta_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)} - 4\pi G \rho_0 \delta_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)} = 0$$

$$-\cancel{\delta_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)}} \left[ \omega^2 + 2H i \omega + 4\pi G \rho_0 \right] = 0$$



$$\omega^2 + 2Hi\omega + 4\pi G\rho_0 = 0$$

$$\omega = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-(2Hi) \pm \sqrt{(2Hi)^2 - 4(1)(4\pi G\rho_0)}}{2(1)}$$

$$= \frac{-2Hi \pm \sqrt{-4H^2 - 16\pi G\rho_0}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-2Hi \pm 2i\sqrt{H^2 + 4\pi G\rho_0}}{2} = -iH \pm i\sqrt{H^2 + 4\pi G\rho_0}$$

Starting with the positive value:

$$\begin{aligned} d_1 &= d_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \\ &= d_s e^{i(kx - (-iH + i\sqrt{H^2 + 4\pi G\rho_0})t)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= d_s e^{i(kx + iHt - i\sqrt{H^2 + 4\pi G\rho_0}t)}$$

$$= d_s e^{ikx - Ht + \sqrt{H^2 + 4\pi G\rho_0}t}$$

$$\phi_1 = \phi_s \frac{e^{ikx} e^{t\sqrt{H^2 + 4\pi G\rho_0}}}{e^{Ht}}$$

Now plugging in the negative term

$$\phi_2 = \phi_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

$$= \phi_s e^{i(kx - (-iHt - \sqrt{H^2 + 4\pi G\rho_0})t)}$$

$$= \phi_s e^{i(kx + iHt + t\sqrt{H^2 + 4\pi G\rho_0})}$$

$$= \phi_s e^{ikx - Ht - t\sqrt{H^2 + 4\pi G\rho_0}}$$

$$\phi_2 = \frac{\phi_s e^{ikx}}{e^{Ht} e^{t\sqrt{H^2 + 4\pi G\rho_0}}}$$



The  $\delta_1$  is the growth term where the  $\delta_2$  is the decay term. Now, I will include pressure in the differential equation:

$$\ddot{\delta} + 2H\dot{\delta} - 4\pi G\rho_0\delta - \frac{c_s^2}{a}\nabla^2\delta = 0$$

Fourier Modes:

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_1 &= \delta_0 e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \\ \vec{v}_1 &= \vec{v}_0 e^{i(kx - \omega t)}\end{aligned}$$

I will use the same derivatives as last time, but I will now derive the  $\frac{c_s^2}{a}\nabla^2\delta$  term

$$\nabla^2\delta = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}(\delta_0 e^{i(kx - \omega t)})$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (d_s i k e^{i(kx - \omega t)})$$

$$= -d_s i k^2 e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

Now plugging in all the derivatives into the differential equations:

$$(-\omega^2 d_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)}) + 2iH(-i\omega d_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)}) -$$

$$4\pi G \rho_0 (d_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)}) + \frac{C_s^2}{a} (d_s k^2 e^{i(kx - \omega t)}) = 0$$

$$\cancel{d_s e^{i(kx - \omega t)}} \left[ -\omega^2 - 2iH\omega - 4\pi G \rho_0 + \frac{k^2 C_s^2}{a} \right] = 0$$

$$-\omega^2 - 2iH\omega - 4\pi G \rho_0 + \frac{k^2 C_s^2}{a} = 0$$



$$\omega = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$\omega = \frac{-(-2iH) \pm \sqrt{(-2iH)^2 - 4(-1)(4\pi G\rho_0 + \frac{k^2 c_s^2}{a})}}{2(-1)}$$

$$= \frac{2iH \pm \sqrt{-4H^2 + 4(4\pi G\rho_0 + \frac{k^2 c_s^2}{a})}}{-2}$$

$$= \frac{2iH \pm 2i \sqrt{H^2 - (4\pi G\rho_0 + \frac{k^2 c_s^2}{a})}}{-2}$$

$$= -\left(iH \pm i \sqrt{H^2 - 4\pi G\rho_0 - \frac{k^2 c_s^2}{a}}\right)$$

$$\omega = -\left(iH \pm i \sqrt{H^2 - 4\pi G\rho_0 - \frac{k^2 c_s^2}{a}}\right)$$

Starting to sub in the positive term first into the Fourier mode.

$$\mathcal{J}_i = \mathcal{J}_s e^{i(kx - (-it - i\sqrt{H^2 - 4\pi G\rho_0 - \frac{k^2 c_s^2}{a}})t)}$$

$$= \mathcal{J}_s e^{i(kx + it + i\sqrt{H^2 - 4\pi G\rho_0 - \frac{k^2 c_s^2}{a}})t}$$

$$= \mathcal{J}_s e^{ikx - Ht - t\sqrt{H^2 - 4\pi G\rho_0 - \frac{k^2 c_s^2}{a}}}$$

$$\mathcal{J}_i = \frac{\mathcal{J}_s e^{ikx}}{e^{Ht} e^{t\sqrt{H^2 - 4\pi G\rho_0 - \frac{k^2 c_s^2}{a}}}}$$

Now plugging in the negative term into the Fourier Mode:



$$\phi_2 = \phi_s e^{i(kx - (-iH + i\sqrt{H^2 - 4\pi G\rho_0 - \frac{k^2 c_s^2}{a}})t)}$$

$$= \phi_s e^{i(kx + iHt - i\sqrt{H^2 - 4\pi G\rho_0 - \frac{k^2 c_s^2}{a}}t)}$$

$$= \phi_s e^{i(kx - Ht + \sqrt{H^2 - 4\pi G\rho_0 - \frac{k^2 c_s^2}{a}}t)}$$

$$\phi_2 = \frac{\phi_s e^{i(kx + \sqrt{H^2 - 4\pi G\rho_0 - \frac{k^2 c_s^2}{a}}t)}}{e^{Ht}}$$

In this case,  $\phi_1$  is the decaying term while  $\phi_2$  is the growing term.

B) This instability illustrates a competition between which two forces?

This instability illustrates the competition between radiative pressure (the  $k$  space) and the gravitational force (the  $\omega$  space)

C) Do you think a similar equation may also explain one of the gas clumping processes at work in galaxies? If yes, which one?

Yes, there is a similar equation that may explain gas clumping processes in galaxies. It is the Jean's instability. The densest parts of the cold patches in a galaxy will collapse due to gravity since there is a lack of pressure.