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(a) $\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = H_0^2 \left(\Omega_M \hat{a}^{-3} + \Omega_R \hat{a}^{-4} + \Omega_\Lambda + (1 - \Omega_T) \right)$

where $\hat{a} = \frac{a}{a_0}$.

(a) Vacuum epoch.

approximation of only dominant term in the expression.

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = H_0^2 \Omega_\Lambda \text{ or } \frac{da}{a \, dt} = H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_\Lambda}$$

$$\text{or } \int_{a_{\text{vac}}}^a \frac{da}{a} = \int_{t_{\text{vac}}}^t H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_\Lambda} dt$$

where

$$a_{\text{vac.}} = a_0 \left(\frac{\Omega_M}{\Omega_\Lambda} \right)^{1/3}$$

$$\text{or } \ln \left(\frac{a}{a_{\text{vac.}}} \right) = H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_\Lambda} (t - t_{\text{vac.}})$$

$$\Rightarrow t - t_{\text{vac.}} = \frac{1}{H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_\Lambda}} \ln \left(\frac{a}{\left(\frac{\Omega_M}{\Omega_\Lambda}\right)^{1/3}} \right)$$

for time spent $t = t_0, a = a_0 = 1$

$$\Rightarrow t_0 - t_{\text{vac.}} = \frac{1}{H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_\Lambda}} \ln \left(\left(\frac{\Omega_\Lambda}{\Omega_M}\right)^{1/3} \right)$$

or, $t_0 - t_{\text{vac.}} = \frac{1}{3H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_\Lambda}} \ln \left(\frac{\Omega_\Lambda}{\Omega_M} \right)$

putting $\Omega_\Lambda = 0.73, \Omega_M = 0.27$

& $\frac{1}{H_0} = t_H$, we get

$$t_0 - t_{\text{vac.}} = \frac{1}{3 \sqrt{0.73}} \ln \left(\frac{0.73}{0.27} \right) t_H$$

$$= 0.39 t_H$$

(b) in the matter dominated epoch
approximation of only dominant term in the expression.

$$\frac{\dot{a}^2}{a^2} = H_0^2 \frac{\Omega_M}{a^3} .$$

$$\text{or, } \dot{a}^2 = H_0^2 \frac{\Omega_M}{a}$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{da}{dt} = \frac{H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_M}}{\sqrt{a}} \quad t_{\text{vac.}}$$

$$\text{or, } \int_{a_{\text{eq.}}}^{a_{\text{vac.}}} \sqrt{a} da = H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_M} \int_{t_{\text{eq.}}}^{t_{\text{vac.}}} dt$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{2}{3} \left(a_{\text{vac.}}^{3/2} - a_{\text{eq.}}^{3/2} \right) = H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_M} \left(t_{\text{vac.}} - t_{\text{eq.}} \right)$$

$$\text{or, } t_{\text{vac.}} - t_{\text{eq.}} = \frac{1}{H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_M}} \frac{3}{2} \left(a_{\text{vac.}}^{3/2} - a_{\text{eq.}}^{3/2} \right)$$

using $a_{\text{eq.}} = \frac{\Omega_R}{\Omega_M} \approx 10^{-4}$

$$a_{\text{eq.}}^{3/2} \approx 10^{-6} \text{ (ignoring)}$$

$$t_{\text{vac.}} - t_{\text{eq.}} = \frac{2}{3 H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_M}} a_{\text{vac.}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{\Omega_M}{\Omega_\Lambda} \right)^{1/2} \times \frac{t_H}{\sqrt{\Omega_M}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \frac{t_H}{\sqrt{\Omega_\Lambda}} = 0.78 t_H$$

$$\therefore \Omega_\Lambda = 0.73$$

(c) in the radiation dominated epoch, with the same approx.

$$\frac{\dot{a}^2}{a^2} = H_0 \frac{\Omega_R}{a^4} \text{ or, } \dot{a}^2 = H_0^2 \frac{\Omega_R}{a^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{da}{dt} = \frac{H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_R}}{a} \quad t_{\text{eq.}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{a_{\text{inf.}}}^{a_{\text{eq.}}} a da = H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_R} \int_{t_{\text{inf.}}}^{t_{\text{eq.}}} dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a_{\text{eq.}}^2 - a_{\text{inf.}}^2}{2} = H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_R} (t_{\text{eq.}} - t_{\text{inf.}})$$

$$\text{or, } t_{\text{eq.}} - t_{\text{inf.}} = \frac{1}{2 H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_R}} (a_{\text{eq.}}^2 - a_{\text{inf.}}^2)$$

$$a_{\text{inf.}} = 10^{-28} a_0$$

$$a_{\text{inf.}}^2 = 10^{-56} a_0^2 \quad (\text{ignoring})$$

$$\Rightarrow t_{\text{eq.}} - t_{\text{inf.}} \approx \frac{a_{\text{eq.}}}{2 H_0 \sqrt{\Omega R}}$$

$$a_{\text{eq.}} = \frac{\Omega R}{\Omega_M}$$

$$\Rightarrow t_{\text{eq.}} - t_{\text{inf.}} \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Omega_R^{3/2}}{\Omega_M} t_H$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (a_{\text{eq.}}) \sqrt{\Omega_R} t_H$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 10^{-6} \sqrt{\Omega_R} t_H$$

$$\text{using } \Omega_R = 1.68 \times 5 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$t_{\text{eq.}} - t_{\text{inf.}} \approx 10^{-9} t_H$$

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(d) Nuclei formation happened
in radiation epoch
hence, copying the above
expression, we get

$$t_{\text{nuc.}} - t_{\text{inf.}} = \frac{1}{2H_0\sqrt{\Omega R}} (\alpha_{\text{nuc.}}^2 - \bar{\alpha}_{\text{inf.}}^2)$$

using $\alpha_{\text{nuc.}} = 3 \times 10^{-9} a_0$
 $\alpha_{\text{inf.}} = 10^{-56} a_0$

$$t_{\text{nuc.}} - t_{\text{inf.}} = \frac{(9 \times 10^{-18} - 10^{-56})}{2H_0\sqrt{\Omega R}}$$

using $\Omega_R = 8.4 \times 10^{-5}$

$$t_{\text{rec}} - t_{\text{inf.}} = \frac{4.5 \times 10^{-18}}{9 \times 10^{-3}} t_H$$

$$= 0.5 \times 10^{-15} t_H$$

$$= 0.5 \times 10^{-15} \times 7.31 \times 10^{15}$$

$$= 3.22 \text{ minutes}$$
