

# AST4320 Oblig2

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## 1 Exercise 2

We would like to find the optical depth  $\tau_e$  of the IGM as a function of redshift  $z$ . The optical depth is given as

$$\tau_e(z) = c \int_0^z \frac{n_e(z) \sigma_T dz}{H(z)(1+z)}, \quad (1)$$

where  $\sigma_t$  is the Thompson cross section,  $n_e$  the electron density and  $H(z)$  the Hubble parameter. Since the Universe is taken to be completely ionized, we assume that  $n_e \approx \bar{n}_H = 1.9 \cdot 10^{-7} (1+z)^3 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ . We get the Hubble parameter from the Friedmann equation

$$H(z) = H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_m (1+z)^3 + \Omega_r (1+z)^4 + \Omega_\Lambda}, \quad (2)$$

where  $\Omega_\Lambda = 0.692$ ,  $\Omega_m = 0.308$  and  $\Omega_r = 0$ .

We will integrate (1) from  $z = 0$  to 10. We assume that  $\tau_e(0) \approx 0$ .

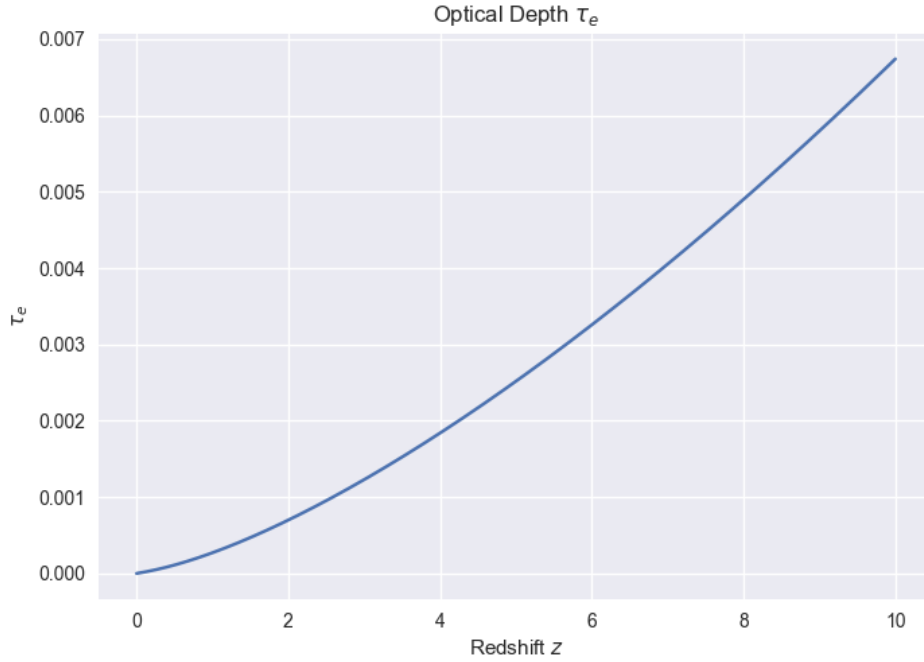


Figure 1: The optical depth of the intergalactic medium. We see that for larger redshift the optical depth increases.

## 2 Exercise 3

### 2.1 a)

We have the differential equation for an isothermal halo

$$-\frac{k_b T}{m_{DM} r^2} \frac{d}{dr} r^2 \frac{d}{dr} \ln \rho = 4\pi G \rho. \quad (3)$$

We have an ansatz that

$$\rho(r) = \frac{A}{r^2}, \quad A = \frac{k_b T}{2\pi G m_{DM}}. \quad (4)$$

To see that this is a solution, we put (4) into (3). Looking at the RHS of (3) we get

$$-\frac{k_b T}{m_{DM} r^2} \frac{d}{dr} r^2 \frac{d}{dr} \ln \rho = -\frac{k_b T}{m_{DM} r^2} \frac{d}{dr} r^2 \frac{r^2}{A} \cdot \left(-\frac{2A}{r^3}\right) \quad (5)$$

$$2 \frac{k_b T}{m_{DM} r^2} \frac{d}{dr} r = 2 \frac{k_b T}{m_{DM} r^2}. \quad (6)$$

Thus we get

$$2 \frac{k_b T}{m_{DM} r^2} = 4\pi G \frac{A}{r^2} \Rightarrow A = \frac{k_b T}{2\pi G m_{DM}}. \quad (7)$$

Thus (4) solves (3).

## 2.2 b)

We have that a gas in hydrostatic equilibrium

$$\frac{dp}{dr} = -\frac{GM(<r)\rho}{r^2}, \quad (8)$$

where  $M(<r)$  is the mass within a radius  $r$  and  $p$  is the pressure. We can see that our isothermal gas, with the density defined in (4), behaves in the similar way. We start by finding the mass, which for a spherical symmetric mass is given as

$$M(<r) = 4\pi \int_0^r \rho(r') r'^2 dr' = 4\pi \int_0^r \frac{A}{r'^2} r'^2 dr' = 4\pi \int_0^r A dr' = 4\pi A r. \quad (9)$$

In our expression of  $A$  we have the dark matter mass  $m_{DM}$ . Since we now have a gas, we let  $m_{DM} \rightarrow m_p$ , which is the proton mass. Thus we have

$$\rho = \frac{A}{r^2} = \frac{k_b T}{2\pi G m_p r^2}. \quad (10)$$

We then use that for an isothermal gas the pressure is given as

$$p = \frac{k_b T}{m_p} \rho = \frac{k_b T A}{m_p r^2}. \quad (11)$$

We can now take the differentiation of this with respect to  $r$  and use (9) and (4) to find

$$\frac{dp}{dr} = -\frac{2k_b T A}{m_p r^3} = -\frac{2k_b T}{m_p r^3} \cdot \frac{M(<r)}{4\pi r} = -\frac{GM(<r)}{r^2} \frac{k_b T}{2\pi G m_p r^2} = -\frac{GM(<r)\rho}{r^2}. \quad (12)$$

This is the same as for the gas in hydrostatic equilibrium from (8).

## 3 Exercise 3

### 3.1 a)

We have that for cusp density profile

$$\rho^{cusp}(r) = \begin{cases} \rho_0 \left(\frac{r}{r_s}\right)^{-1} & \text{if } r < r_s \\ \rho_0 \left(\frac{r}{r_s}\right)^{-3} & \text{if } r \geq r_s \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

And for the cored profile, we have

$$\rho^{cusp}(r) = \begin{cases} \rho_0 & \text{if } r < r_s \\ \rho_0 \left(\frac{r}{r_s}\right)^{-3} & \text{if } r \geq r_s \end{cases} \quad (14)$$

The mass of a spherical symmetric system can be written as

$$M(< r) = 4\pi \int_0^r \rho(r') r'^2 dr'. \quad (15)$$

So for  $r < r_s$  we get

$$M^{cusp}(< r) = 4\pi \int_0^r \rho_0 \left(\frac{r'}{r_s}\right)^{-1} r'^2 dr' = 4\pi r_s \rho_0 \int_0^r r' dr' = 2\pi r_s \rho_0 r^2, \quad (16)$$

and

$$M^{core}(< r) = 4\pi \int_0^r \rho_0 r'^2 dr' = \frac{4}{3}\pi \rho_0 r^3. \quad (17)$$

For  $r \geq r_s$  we integrate from  $r_s$  to  $r$  and include all the mass that was within  $r_s$ , so

$$M^{cusp}(< r) = M(< r_s) + 4\pi \int_{r_s}^r \rho_0 \left(\frac{r'}{r_s}\right)^{-3} r'^2 dr' = M(< r_s) + 4\pi r_s^3 \rho_0 \int_0^r r'^{-1} dr' \quad (18)$$

$$= M(< r_s) + 4\pi r_s^3 \rho_0 \ln r \Big|_{r_s}^r = 2\pi r_s \rho_0 r_s^2 + 4\pi r_s^3 \rho_0 (\ln r - \ln r_s), \quad (19)$$

and similarly for the core mass

$$M^{core}(< r) = M^{core}(< r_s) + 4\pi \int_{r_s}^r \rho_0 \left(\frac{r'}{r_s}\right)^{-3} r'^2 dr' = \frac{4}{3}\pi \rho_0 r_s^3 + 4\pi r_s^3 \rho_0 (\ln r - \ln r_s). \quad (20)$$

So we get that

$$M^{cusp}(< r) = \begin{cases} 2\pi r_s \rho_0 r^2 & \text{if } r < r_s \\ 2\pi r_s \rho_0 r_s^2 + 4\pi r_s^3 \rho_0 (\ln r - \ln r_s) & \text{if } r \geq r_s \end{cases} \quad (21)$$

and

$$M^{core}(< r) = \begin{cases} \frac{4}{3}\pi \rho_0 r^3 & \text{if } r < r_s \\ \frac{4}{3}\pi \rho_0 r_s^3 + 4\pi r_s^3 \rho_0 (\ln r - \ln r_s) & \text{if } r \geq r_s \end{cases} \quad (22)$$

### 3.2 b)

We get the gravitation potential energy by integrating over the energies felt by a small shell of mass from the mass inside it. First we get the energy of one such shell

$$dW(r) = -\frac{GM(< r)m_{shell}}{r_{shell}} = -4\pi GM(< r)\frac{\rho r_{shell}^2 dr}{r_{shell}} = -4\pi GM(< r)\rho r_{shell} dr, \quad (23)$$

where we have used that

$$m_{shell} = \rho V_{shell} = 4\pi \rho r_{shell}^2 dr. \quad (24)$$

Thus the gravitational potential energy is

$$W = \int_0^{r_{vir}} dW = -4\pi G \int_0^{r_{vir}} M(< r)\rho(r)r dr. \quad (25)$$

### 3.3 c)

We can now find the minimal energy needed to form the cored profile, given as

$$\Delta E = \frac{W^{core} - W^{cusp}}{2} = -2\pi G \int_0^{r_{vir}} (\rho^{core} M^{core}(< r) - \rho^{cusp} M^{cusp}(< r)) r dr \quad (26)$$

We split this into two parts. First we look at  $r = 0$  to  $r_s$

$$-2\pi G \int_0^{r_s} (\rho^{core} M^{core}(< r) - \rho^{cusp} M^{cusp}(< r)) r dr = -2\pi G \int_0^{r_s} \left( \rho_0 \frac{4}{3} \pi \rho_0 r^3 - \rho_0 \left( \frac{r}{r_s} \right)^{-1} 2\pi r_s \rho_0 r^2 \right) r dr \quad (27)$$

$$= -2\pi^2 G \rho_0^2 \int_0^{r_s} \left( \frac{4}{3} r^4 - 2r^2 r_s^2 \right) dr = -2\pi^2 G \rho_0^2 \left( \frac{4}{15} r_s^5 - \frac{2}{3} r_s^5 \right) = \frac{4}{5} \pi^2 G \rho_0^2 r_s^5. \quad (28)$$

We then look from  $r_s$  to  $r_{vir}$

$$-2\pi G \int_{r_s}^{r_{vir}} (\rho^{core} M^{core}(< r) - \rho^{cusp} M^{cusp}(< r)) r dr \quad (29)$$

$$= -2\pi G \int_{r_s}^{r_{vir}} \left( \rho_0 \left( \frac{r}{r_s} \right)^{-3} \left( \frac{4}{3} \pi \rho_0 r_s^3 + 4\pi r_s^3 \rho_0 (\ln r - \ln r_s) \right) - \rho_0 \left( \frac{r}{r_s} \right)^{-3} (2\pi \rho_0 r_s^3 + 4\pi r_s^3 \rho_0 (\ln r - \ln r_s)) \right) r dr \quad (30)$$

$$= -2\pi G \int_{r_s}^{r_{vir}} \left( \rho_0 \left( \frac{r}{r_s} \right)^{-3} \left( \frac{4}{3} \pi \rho_0 r_s^3 \right) - \rho_0 \left( \frac{r}{r_s} \right)^{-3} (2\pi \rho_0 r_s^3) \right) r dr \quad (31)$$

$$= 2\pi^2 G \rho_0^2 r_s^6 \int_{r_s}^{r_{vir}} \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{2}{3} dr = \frac{4}{3} \pi^2 G \rho_0^2 r_s^6 \frac{-1}{1} (r_{vir}^{-1} - r_s^{-1}) \approx \frac{4}{3} \pi^2 G \rho_0^2 r_s^5, \quad (32)$$

where the last step is because  $r_s \ll r_{vir}$ . We then get

$$\Delta E = \frac{4}{5} \pi^2 \rho_0^2 G r_s^5 + \frac{4}{3} \pi^2 G \rho_0^2 r_s^5 = \frac{32}{15} \pi^2 G \rho_0^2 r_s^5. \quad (33)$$

### 3.4 d)

We are now looking at a dwarf galaxy at  $z = 0$  with  $M_{vir} = 3 \cdot 10^{10} M_\odot$  and  $R_{vir} = 45$  kpc, with  $r_s = 1$  kpc. With this mass and radius, we can find

$$\rho_0 = \frac{M_{vir}}{4/3 r_s^3 \pi + 4\pi r_s^3 (\ln R_{vir} - \ln r_s)} = 6.13 \cdot 10^{-23} \text{ g cm}^{-3}. \quad (34)$$

This gives us that

$$\Delta E = \frac{32}{15} \pi^2 G \rho_0^2 r_s^5 = 1.477 \cdot 10^{57} \text{ ergs}. \quad (35)$$

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this!!!

### 3.5 e)