

Cosmology Tutorial 4

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This was challenging. I attempted all questions but some results are wrong.

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I attempted this without looking at notes but didn't get very far.

1.1

$$\rho = 0, k < 0$$

$$\dot{R}^2 = kc^2$$

$$\dot{R} = \pm\sqrt{k}c$$

integrating both sides gives

$$R = \pm\sqrt{k}ct + C$$

$$R \propto t$$

1.2

$$\rho > 0, k = 0$$

$$\rho \propto R^{-3}$$

$$\rho(t) = \frac{\rho_0 R_0^3}{R}$$

$$\dot{R}^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \frac{\rho_0 R_0^3}{R}$$

$$\dot{R} = \sqrt{\frac{8\pi G \rho_0 R_0^3}{3}} \frac{1}{R^{1/2}}$$

$$R^{1/2} dR = \pm \left(\frac{8\pi G \rho_0 R_0^3}{3} \right)^{1/2} dt$$

integrating both sides gives

$$\frac{2}{3} R^{3/2} = \pm \left(\frac{8\pi G \rho_0 R_0^3}{3} \right)^{1/2} t + C$$

$$\frac{2}{3} R = \pm \left(\frac{8\pi G \rho_0 R_0^3}{3} \right)^{1/3} t^{2/3} + C$$

$$R = \pm (4\pi G \rho_0 R_0^3)^{1/3} t^{2/3} + C$$

$$R \propto t^{2/3}$$

Obviously something wrong with my maths (constant is wrong).

1.3

$$k = 0, p_m \gg p_r$$

$$\rho_r \propto R^{-4}$$

$$\rho(t) = \frac{\rho_0 R_0^4}{R}$$

$$\dot{R}^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \frac{\rho_{r,0} R_0^4}{R^2}$$

$$\dot{R} = \pm \left(\frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho_{r,0} R_0^4 \right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{R}$$

$$R\dot{R} = \pm \left(\frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho_{r,0} R_0^4 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$RdR = \pm \left(\frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho_{r,0} R_0^4 \right)^{1/2} dt$$

integrating both sides gives

$$1/2 R^2 = \pm \left(\frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho_{r,0} R_0^4 \right)^{1/2} t$$

$$R = \pm \left(\frac{16\pi G}{3} \rho_{r,0} R_0^4 \right)^{1/4} t^{1/2}$$

$$R \propto t^{1/2}$$

1.4

$$\dot{R}^2 = \frac{\Lambda}{3} R^2$$

$$\dot{R} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda}{3}}$$

$$\frac{1}{R} dR = \pm \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda}{3}} dt$$

$$\log R = \pm \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda}{3}} t$$

$$R = e^{\sqrt{\frac{\Lambda}{3}} t}$$

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2.1

$$R = \pm (6\pi G \rho_0 R_0^3)^{1/3} t^{2/3}$$

$$R = R_0 \left(\frac{t}{t_0} \right)^{2/3}$$

$$R_0 \left(\frac{t}{t_0} \right)^{2/3} = \pm (6\pi G \rho_0 R_0^3)^{1/3} t^{2/3}$$

$$R_0 t_0^{2/3} = \pm \left(\frac{1}{6} \pi G \rho_0 R_0^3 \right)^{1/3} R_0$$

$$t_0 = \pm \left(\frac{1}{6} \pi G \rho_0 R_0^3 \right)^{1/2}$$

2.2

$$R = \pm \left(\frac{16\pi G}{3} \rho_0 R_0^4 \right)^{1/4} t^{1/2}$$

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$$R_0 \left(\frac{t}{t_0} \right)^{1/2} = \pm \left(\frac{16\pi G}{3} \rho_0 R_0^4 \right)^{1/4} t^{1/2}$$

$$R_0 t_0^{1/2} = \pm \left(\frac{16\pi G}{3} \rho_0 R_0^4 \right)^{1/4} R_0$$

$$t_0 = \pm \left(\frac{16\pi G}{3} \rho_0 \right)^{1/2}$$

Not quite.

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$$\begin{aligned}\dot{R}^2 &= \frac{8\pi G}{3}\rho R^2 - kc^2 \\ H^2 &= \left(\frac{\dot{R}}{R}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3}\rho - \frac{kc^2}{R^2} \\ \frac{kc^2}{R^2} &= \frac{8\pi G\rho}{3} - H^2 \\ \frac{8\pi G\rho}{3} - H^2 &= 0 \\ 8\pi G\rho &= H^2 \\ 8\pi G\rho &= 3H^2 \\ \rho &= \frac{3H^2}{8\pi G}\end{aligned}$$

$$1Mpc = 3.09 \times 10^{19}km \text{ and } H_0 = 68000/3.09 \times 10^{19} = 2.2 \times 10^{-18}m/s.$$

$$\frac{3 \times 4.84 \times 10^{-36}}{8\pi 6.67 \times 10^{-11}} = 8.66 \times 10^{-27}kg/m^3$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\omega &= \frac{P}{\rho c^2} \\ PV &= NkT \\ P &= \frac{NkT}{V} \\ \omega &= \frac{\frac{NkT}{V}}{\rho c^2} \\ \omega &= \frac{kT}{c^2} \\ \omega &= \frac{1.38 \times 10^{-23}}{8.94 \times 10^{16}} = 10^{-40}\end{aligned}$$

Ideal gas law is more accurate with high temperatures due to more kinetic energy.

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Not too sure about this one! I looked it up. Integrating the Planck function gives:

$$E_{rad} = \alpha T^4$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\pi^2 k^4}{15 \hbar^3 c^3}$$

$$n_\lambda \propto R^3 \propto (1+z)^3$$

$$E = h\nu \propto h\lambda^{-1} \propto (1+z)$$

$$E_{rad} = E n_\lambda \propto (1+z)^4$$

$$T \propto (1+z)$$