

0.0.1 Cosmology, Part 2

comoving distance: $r = c \int_{a_{em}}^1 \frac{da}{a^2 H(a)}$ $T \propto \frac{1}{a}$ $H \equiv$ expansion rate

comoving horizon: $r = c \int_0^{a_{em}} \frac{da}{a^2 H(a)}$ $\ddot{a} > 0$: acceleration

Mysteries and how Inflation Solves Them

Horizon problem: $\theta \simeq \frac{r_{hor}}{r_{cmb}} \simeq 1^\circ$

Flatness Problem: How did we manage to happen to get this super precise, flat universe?
The geometry of the universe determines angular size of the fluctuations today, $\Omega \equiv 1.005 \pm 0.007$, so ~ 2 min after BB, $|\Omega - 1| < 10^{-16}$
Another Problem: there isnt enough matter to make universe flat at that Ω
Initial Fluctuations Mystery: where did the initial T fluctuations come from
In a decel. univ, we can see more and more of the comoving universe over time
In accel, we can see less and less over time
An accel Univ becomes more and more flat (decel becomes more curved)
Inflation makes a tiny path of early univ and stretches it to cover all observable univ
Fixes Initial Fluctuations Problem: ρ not UNIFORM during inflation, quantum flucs lead to hot & cold regions
in a decel univ, quantum flucs pop in and out of existence
during inflation, quantum flucs are stretched outside the horizon, and are then “frozen”

0.0.2 Dark Matter and Energy (And Cosmic Distances)

Problem: at CMB time, normal matter tightly coupled to photons
CMB temp flucs show that photons and normal matter had tiny density flucs at CMB time by z=10, these dens flucs would grow by about a factor of 100 (to $\Delta\rho/\rho \simeq 100 \times 10^{-5}$)
This is too small to form any structure, yet we see gals at z_i7, and simulations show structure forms around z~20 to match obs
The CMB need Dark Matter: dueling forces of grav and press prevent photons and normal matter from collapsing prior to recombination
press and grav lead to acoustic oscill. in primordial plasma
to explain structure formation and CMB, we need pressureless matter
Dark Matter particles must be heavy, neutral, and stable prior to recomb

Dark Energy

CMB demands flatness. If mostly matter, it would only be 9.3 Gyr old
Basic info: pressure= $w \times \text{density} \times c^2$
 $w_r = 1/3$, $w_m = 0$, $w_a < -1/3$
What is it? Option 1: A cosmological constant Λ :
 $w = -1$ (constant density); interpret as vacuum energy:
QFT predicts $\rho_\Lambda \simeq M_{\text{Pl}}^4$, but observed: $\rho \simeq 10^{-120} M_{\text{Pl}}^4$ Why so small?
Option 2: Quintessence (a scalar field):
when you need cosmic acceleration, invent a scalar field like inflaton, need a slowly varying scalar field w near constant $V(\phi)$
Very diff E scales: $10^7 \text{ eV} \lesssim E_{\text{infl}} \lesssim 10^{25} \text{ eV}$
 $E_{\text{DE}} \simeq 0.002 \text{ eV}$; quintessence is dynamical: $w \gtrsim -1$
Option 3: Change Gravity:
change gravity: $f(H) = \frac{8\pi G}{3}(\rho_m + \rho_r)$ (mat, rad only)
we have to change grav b/w gals w/o changing it in solar system
time delay and lensing around Sun confirm GR
GR is sensitive. solution chameleon grav, higher dim grav, massive grav...

Expansion

The content of the universe determines how it expands. From Friedmann Eqn:
 $\dot{\rho} + 3H \left[\rho + \frac{P}{c^2} \right] = 0 \quad w \equiv \frac{P}{c^2 \rho} \quad \Rightarrow \rho = \rho_0 a^{-3(1+w)}$
Another form of Fried 2nd eqn: $\ddot{a}/a = -\frac{4\pi G}{3}(1+3w)\rho$
radiation: $a(t) \propto t^{1/2}$ matter: $a(t) \propto t^{2/3}$
If Universe is matter-dom, expands decels; so larger apparent vels at a certain dist compared to non-decel univ
If DE-dom, expan accels, so apparent vels smaller (exp used to be slower)
Constant expansion not same as const H!
from v vs. d graph (showing accel and decel,) H_0 is slope.
no evidence about whether universe will ever stop expanding

Inflation (A SPECIFIC TIME OF HIGH EXPANSION)

Volume of universe suddenly went up by $\sim 10^{30}$
 $a(t) \propto e^{Ht}$, H basically constant during inflation
The Inflaton: the scalar field that drove inflation
has a scalar potential $V(\phi)$. Inflaton's energy density nearly constant during inflation
Inflation occurs when $V(\phi)$ is flat, giving nearly const. energy density
 $V(\phi)$ is NOT \propto energy density
total energy density was const during inflation, then going down during rad dom the matter dom, now const again with DE dom.
Density much higher than today during inflation.
Density of matter, rad greatly decreased during

Gravitational Waves from Inflation

CMB temp flucs: $\frac{\Delta T_{cmb}}{T_{cmb}} \sim \frac{V(\phi)}{\text{inflaton velocity}}$
the quantum flucs during inflation left imprints on spacetime; these grav waves leave imprint on CMB polarization, can use to measure $V(\phi)$

Cosmic Distances

1) Comoving distance (see formula upper left)
2) Physical distance $d = ar$ (= r today)
3) Angular Diameter Distance: with known physical size R_{phys} , angular res of θ , dist $d_A = R_{phys}/\theta$.
Now with known comoving size, R_{com} , $r = R_{com}/\theta$.
 $\theta = \frac{a_{em} R_{com}}{d_A} \Rightarrow d_A = a_{em} r$

Luminosity Distance

$d_L = r_{com}/a_{em}$; $F_{obs} = \frac{L}{4\pi d_L^2}$
Energy per photon changes as universe expands:
 $L_{em} = \left(\frac{energy}{photon} \right)_{em} \times \left(\frac{photons}{time} \right)_{em}$
 $F_{obs} = \left(\frac{energy}{photon} \right)_{obs} \times \left(\frac{photons}{time} \right)_{obs} \times \frac{1}{4\pi r^2}$ Where rightmost term is comoving area
 $\left(\frac{energy}{photon} \right)_{obs} = a_{em} \left(\frac{energy}{photon} \right)_{em} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{energy}{photon} \right)_{obs} = \frac{\delta t_{em}}{\delta t_{obs}} \left(\frac{No.of photons}{\delta t_{em}} \right)$
 $\left(\frac{photons}{time} \right)_{obs} = a_{em} \left(\frac{No.photons}{\delta t_{em}} \right)$
Flux Ratio: $F_1/F_2 = (d_{2,L}/d_{1,L})^2$

Cosmic Distance Ladder

Radar, Parallax, Main seq fitting, cepheid variables, white dwarf SN, then finally Hubble's Law

0.0.3 Misc Important Stuff to know

ABCDE... sequence: in order of decreasing H line strength. Strongest molecular lines: coolest (M)

Galaxy changes: dust inflow creates disk growth, new stars

Galactic mergers make more spheroidal

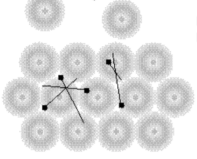
Galaxy composition:

detection via light from the gas itself.

emission	λ	type of gas
• n/a		ultra-cold H_2 ($T_{\text{microwave background}}=3K$)
• CO 2.6mm	mm	10-50 K molecular gas with metals
• HI 21cm	radio	50-100 K neutral atomic gas
• $H\alpha$ 656nm	visible	10^{3-4} K partly ionized gas recombining
• n/a		warm-hot H^+: 10^5 K and diffuse
• continuum	UV/X-ray	10^{6-7} K really hot gas

Mass < 1.4 solar masses

GRAVITY

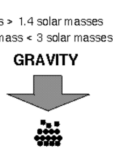


White Dwarf

Electrons run out of room to move around. Electrons prevent further collapse. Protons & neutrons still free to move around.

Mass > 1.4 solar masses but mass < 3 solar masses

GRAVITY

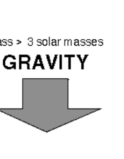


Neutron Star

Electrons + protons combine to form neutrons. Neutrons run out of room to move around. Neutrons prevent further collapse. Much smaller!

Mass > 3 solar masses

GRAVITY



Black Hole

Gravity wins! Nothing prevents collapse.

Stronger gravity => more compact.

Great Debate: Shapley: MW was only galaxy, Sun not at center

Curtis: MW was one of many spiral nebulae

We calibrate Hubble's Law with Type Ia supernovae

$L = \sigma_{SB} T^4 4\pi R^2$

Hydrostatic EQ: pressure acts above and below layer; weight of gas pushes down

Taylor expansion: $f(x_0 + \delta x) \simeq f(x_0) + f'(x_0)\delta x$

Relativistic Virial: $U + K = 0$

fusion is very sensitive to temp

Sun: corona outer most, hot but wispy, below is photosphere, much cooler

Supernovae: Ia leaves no remnant, type II leaves NS or BH

SC Metric: r is radius of observer

moon eclipses sun: sun has emission line spectrum

shell burning always continues to happen

strong force is responsible for E released in fusion

MAIN SEQUENCE: $R \propto M$

moon spectrum: BB reflected from Sun

Sun is G Type

Galaxy mergers: usually evolve to left side of tuning fork

$L/L_{\odot} = (R/R_{\odot})^2 (T/T_{\odot})^4$

Edwin Hubble used Period Lum relationship to measure d to Andromeda3

Pressure Broadening Greater for Low Mass Stars

Ultimate Fate of the Universe

If DE is constant (vacuum E, $w = -1$ or decr, (quintessence = scalar field, $w > -1$, isolated MW and heat death

If DE is increasing ($w < -1$), big rip ($a \rightarrow \infty$), occurs in ~ 60 Gyr, gals destroyed 120 Myr before that; star systems unbound about 6 months before rocky planets explode hour before end, atoms destroyed 10^{-19} s before

Matter dominated: 50K yrs

current observations indicate $w < -1.2$.

Intensity: Energy per unit time, per unit area that the light passes through, per unit solid angle that it passes through after that area, per unit wavelength.

degeneracy pressure happens when you don't have high enough temp for normal pressure to even be noticable.

the MFP is not just the average distance traveled, its the furthest the a particle is most likely able to penetrate

Epoch: time position in period

warm gas emits light because temperature causes collisions which creates excited atoms

avg particle mass in a star is $0.5m_p$ (in core too)

Neutron degen pressure is similar to electron degen pressure, except their densities can be higher, as higher mass than electrons means much higher momenta before becoming relativistic.

Pressure is not really directional: think of it as a scalar quantity that, for example, according to the Hydrostatic Equil. Equation, changes over height.

Magnitude scales inversely with perceived brightness, or flux. We see a star with negative magnitude as brighter than one with positive magnitude.

U_{grav} is negative by convention! Pay attention to this sign in virial thm calculations and such. This is because positive work must be done to pull the two objects apart from one another.

The convention is that at infinite distance, U=0.

for stars, $E_{thermal} = -E_{total}$, E_{total} is NEGATIVE!! As stars age, energy is lost (radiated away) so E_{tot} DECREASES!

Line Broadening

- 1. Rotational Broadening:** The absorption lines in a star will be spread due to varying degrees of redshifting and blueshifting due to the rotation of the star. As such, what would be an individual wavelength absorbed by gases in the stars atmosphere gets red shifted and blueshifted, stretching the gap.
- to apply ideal gas laws and logic to stars! with pressure
- as gas temp increases, more energetic (purple) emissions
- total intensity B found from integrating B_{λ} over all wavelengths
- Continuum/Thermal spectrum is BB. Stars are approx BB.
- most reactions involving neutrinos involve the Weak Force.
- as star temp increases, CNO cycle becomes more prevalent, and p-p becomes less so. And does slightly happen in the sun.
- fusion happening is very sensitive to temperature
- TMS is not actually a sequence.
- Lower energy photons come from within deeper in the stars, as they run into less atoms.
- absorption lines in star's spectra are due too certain gases, molecules in the star's atmosphere absorbing certain wavelengths. Molecules not in hotter stars because the molecular bonds can't form for very long, as other high KE particles will knowck apart.
- OBAFGKM sequence is out of order because it was originally ordered ABCDE... in order of decreasing hydrogen line strength
- stars are mostly Hydrogen (70% hydrogen by mass)
- Degeneracy Pressure: due to Pauli and Heisenberg, the higher the density (cramming fermions into tight spaces) the higher their momentum, the higher the pressure.