

Phys. 4247 - Assignment #2 Solutions

1. Acceleration equation: $\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3} \left(\rho + \frac{3p}{c^2} \right)$

For radiation, $\rho = \frac{\rho c^2}{3}$, so $\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3} \left(\rho + \frac{3\rho c^2}{3c^2} \right) = -\frac{8\pi G\rho}{3}$

At the current time: $\frac{\ddot{a}_0}{a_0} = -\frac{8\pi G\rho_0}{3} \times \frac{H_0^2}{H_0^2} = -\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_{c,0}} H_0^2 = -\Omega_0 H_0^2$

where we recall that the current critical density is $\rho_{c,0} = \frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G}$

and define $\Omega_0 = \frac{\rho_0}{\rho_{c,0}}$

The acceleration parameter $q_0 \equiv -\frac{\ddot{a}_0}{a_0} \frac{1}{H_0^2}$, so substituting $\frac{\ddot{a}_0}{a_0} = -\Omega_0 H_0^2$

gives $q_0 = \Omega_0$

2. Circumference: The element of circumference is $dC = a(t)r d\phi$ where $r =$ co-moving radius.

$$\therefore C = \int_0^{2\pi} a(t)r d\phi = a(t)r \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi = 2\pi a(t)r$$

Now, must relate $a(t)r$ to the proper radius s .

$$s = a(t) \int_0^r \frac{dr}{\sqrt{1-kr^2}} = a(t) f(r)$$

In a flat universe, $k=0$ and $f(r)=r$, so $s=a(t)r$ and $C=2\pi s$.

When $K=+1$, $f(r) = \sin^{-1} r \rightarrow s = a(t) \sin^{-1}(r) \rightarrow \frac{s}{a} = \sin^{-1}(r)$

$$\therefore r = \sin\left(\frac{s}{a}\right), \quad \text{so } \underline{C = 2\pi a(t) \sin\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)}$$

When $K=-1$, $f(r) = \sinh^{-1} r \rightarrow s = a(t) \sinh^{-1}(r) \rightarrow \frac{s}{a} = \sinh^{-1}(r)$

$$\therefore r = \sinh\left(\frac{s}{a}\right), \quad \text{so } \underline{C = 2\pi a(t) \sinh\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)}$$

Area: The element of area is $dA = a^2 r^2 \sin\theta d\theta d\phi$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore A &= a^2 r^2 2\pi \int_0^\pi \sin\theta d\theta = 2\pi a^2 r^2 [-\cos\theta]_0^\pi = 2\pi a^2 r^2 (1+1) \\ &= 4\pi a^2 r^2 \end{aligned}$$

From above we know what r is in terms of s/a for each K .

$$\therefore K=0, \quad A = 4\pi s^2$$

$$= 1, \quad A = 4\pi a^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$$

$$= -1, \quad \underline{A = 4\pi a^2 \sinh^2\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)}$$

Volume: The element of volume is $dV = \frac{a^3 r^2 \sin\theta d\theta d\phi dr}{\sqrt{1-Kr^2}}$

$$\therefore V = 4\pi a^3 \int_0^r \frac{r^2 dr}{\sqrt{1-Kr^2}}$$

When $K=0$, $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi a^3 r^3$, but $s^3 = a^3 r^3$, so $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi s^3$

When $K=+1$, $V = 4\pi a^3 \int_0^r \frac{r^2 dr}{\sqrt{1-r^2}} = 4\pi a^3 \left[-\frac{r}{2} \sqrt{1-r^2} + \frac{1}{2} \sin^{-1}(r) \right]_0^r$

$$\therefore V = 4\pi a^3 \left[-\frac{r}{2} \sqrt{1-r^2} + \frac{1}{2} \sin^{-1}(r) \right]$$

From above, when $K=+1$, $r = \sin\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore V &= 4\pi a^3 \left[-\frac{\sin\left(\frac{s}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)}{2} + \frac{s}{2a} \right] = 4\pi a^3 \left(\frac{s}{2a} - \frac{1}{4} \sin\left(\frac{2s}{a}\right) \right) \\ &= \underline{2\pi a^3 \left(\frac{s}{a} - \frac{1}{2} \sin\left(\frac{2s}{a}\right) \right)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{When } K=-1, V &= 4\pi a^3 \int_0^r \frac{r^2 dr}{\sqrt{1+r^2}} = 4\pi a^3 \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(r\sqrt{r^2+1} - \sinh^{-1}(r) \right) \right]_0^r \\ &= 2\pi a^3 \left(r\sqrt{r^2+1} - \sinh^{-1}(r) \right) \end{aligned}$$

From above, when $K=-1$, $r = \sinh\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$

$$\therefore V = 2\pi a^3 \left(\sinh\left(\frac{s}{a}\right) \cosh\left(\frac{s}{a}\right) - \frac{s}{a} \right) = \underline{2\pi a^3 \left(\frac{\sinh\left(\frac{2s}{a}\right)}{2} - \frac{s}{a} \right)}$$

3. No. Closed ; open correspond to the geometry of space-time and is set by the total energy content of the Universe.

$$\text{Consider } (\Omega_m + \Omega_\Lambda - 1) = \frac{Kc^2}{a^2 H^2}$$

sign of RHS is set by K (a constant) so is fixed.

\therefore sign of LHS is fixed.

4. Static universe implies both \dot{a} and \ddot{a} are zero.

$$\therefore 0 = \frac{8\pi G \rho}{3} - \frac{Kc^2}{a^2} + \frac{\Lambda}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad 0 = -\frac{4\pi G \rho}{3} + \frac{\Lambda}{3} \quad (\text{note } P=0)$$

$$\therefore \frac{\Lambda}{3} = \frac{4\pi G \rho}{3} \quad \text{Since } \rho > 0 \text{ (its matter), } \underline{\Lambda > 0}$$

$$\text{From the Friedmann equation, } 0 = \frac{2\Lambda}{3} - \frac{Kc^2}{a^2} + \frac{\Lambda}{3}$$

$$\rightarrow \Lambda = \frac{Kc^2}{a^2} > 0, \text{ so } \underline{K > 0} \therefore \text{ a closed Universe}$$

Unstable, because $\rho \propto \frac{1}{a^3}$ and $\frac{\Lambda}{3} = \text{constant}$, so if a increases even a tiny bit, ρ drops and acc'n dominates.

$$5. \text{ Recall } \Omega_m = \frac{\rho_m}{\rho_c} = \frac{8\pi G \rho_m}{3H^2} \text{ and } \Omega_{m,0} = \frac{\rho_0}{\rho_c} = \frac{8\pi G \rho_0}{3H_0^2}$$

$$\text{Friedmann equation: } \dot{a}^2 = \frac{8\pi G \rho_m}{3} a^2 - Kc^2 \quad (\Lambda=0)$$

$$\frac{\dot{a}^2}{a^2} = \frac{8\pi G \rho_m}{3} - \frac{Kc^2}{a^2} \rightarrow \frac{\dot{a}^2}{a^2} = \frac{8\pi G \rho_0 a_0^3}{3a^3} - \frac{Kc^2 a_0^2}{a^2 a_0^2} \text{ since } \rho_m = \rho_0 \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right)^3$$

$$\text{But } \frac{a_0}{a} = (1+z) \text{ and } \frac{Kc^2}{a_0^2} = H_0^2 (\Omega_{m,0} - 1).$$

$$\therefore \text{ F.E. is } \frac{\dot{a}^2}{a^2} = H^2 = \frac{8\pi G \rho_0 (1+z)^3 H_0^2}{3 H_0^2} - H_0^2 (\Omega_{m,0} - 1) (1+z)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or, } H^2 &= \Omega_{m,0} H_0^2 (1+z)^3 - H_0^2 (\Omega_{m,0} - 1) (1+z)^2 \\ &= H_0^2 (1+z)^2 (\Omega_{m,0} (1+z) - (\Omega_{m,0} - 1)) = H_0^2 (1+z)^2 \left[\Omega_{m,0} + \Omega_{m,0} z - \Omega_{m,0} + 1 \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$H^2 = H_0^2 (1+z)^2 (1 + \Omega_{m,0} z)$$

Sub. this into def'n of $\Omega_m(z)$ and use $\rho_m = \rho_0 \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right)^3$ again

$$\text{So } \Omega_m = \frac{8\pi G \rho_m}{3H_0^2(1+z)^2(1+\Omega_{m,0}z)} = \frac{8\pi G \rho_0}{3H_0^2(1+z)^2(1+\Omega_{m,0}z)} \frac{a_0^3}{a^3}$$

$$\therefore \Omega_m(z) = \frac{\Omega_{m,0}(1+z)^3}{(1+z)^2(1+\Omega_{m,0}z)} = \frac{\Omega_{m,0}(1+z)}{(1+\Omega_{m,0}z)}$$