

## LECTURE #3 - DYNAMICS OF FLRW WITH GENERAL RELATIVITY!

In conformal-Cartesian coordinates,  
the FLRW metric is:

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + a^2(t) \gamma_{ij} dx^i dx^j$$

$$\gamma_{ij} = (1 + k \vec{x}^2)^{-2} \delta_{ij}$$

↑  
K : UNITS OF [LENGTH]<sup>-2</sup>

$k > 0, k < 0, k = 0 ? \dots$

The connections for this metric were  
given previously:

$$\Gamma_{ij}^0 = \dot{a} a \delta_{ij} \quad \Gamma_{0j}^i = \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \delta_{ij}^i$$

$$\Gamma_{jk}^i = \frac{2k}{1+kx^2} (\delta_{ij} x^k - \delta_{jk} x^i - \delta_{ki} x^j)$$

$$\Gamma_{00}^0 = \Gamma_{00}^i = \Gamma_{i0}^0 = 0$$

We can compute the Ricci tensor directly,

$$R^{\mu}{}_{\nu\mu\beta} = R_{\nu\beta}$$

$$\Rightarrow R_{00} = 3 \frac{\ddot{a}}{a}$$

$$R_{0i} = 0$$

$$R_{ij} = -(a\ddot{a} + 2\dot{a}^2 + 2k) \delta_{ij}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} R &= g^{\mu\nu} R_{\mu\nu} \\ &= -3\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} - 3\dot{a}^2(a\ddot{a} + 2\dot{a}^2 + 2k) \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow R = -\frac{6\ddot{a}}{a} - 3\dot{a}^2 - \frac{6k}{a^2}$$

The Einstein tensor is, therefore,

$$G_{\mu\nu} = R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu} R$$

$$\text{OR: } \left\{ \begin{aligned} G_{00} &= -3\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 - \frac{3k}{a^2} \end{aligned} \right. \quad G_{0i} = 0$$

$$G_{ij} = (2a\ddot{a} + \dot{a}^2 + k) \delta_{ij}$$

Einstein's equations:

My conventions!

$$G_{\mu\nu} = -8\pi G T_{\mu\nu}$$

What is this "matter"?

We saw earlier that, for a "fluid" in Minkowski spacetime, energy, momentum and the 4-velocity mix together to form the stress-energy tensor:

$$T_{\mu\nu}^{(M)} = (\rho + \mathcal{P}) U_\mu U_\nu + \mathcal{P} \eta_{\mu\nu}$$

↓ CURVED SPACETIME ↓

$$T_{\mu\nu} = (\rho + \mathcal{P}) U_\mu U_\nu + \mathcal{P} g_{\mu\nu}$$

The only "fluids" that can satisfy the Einstein field Equations are those for which

$$T_{0i} = 0 \Rightarrow U_i = 0 \Rightarrow U_0 = -1$$

$$T_{00} = \rho = \rho(t)$$

$$T_{ij} = \mathcal{P} a^2 \delta_{ij} = \mathcal{P}(t) a^2 \delta_{ij}$$

In principle,  $\rho(t)$  and  $\mathcal{P}(t)$  are completely free functions of cosmic time; however they must be related by the conservation of the stress-energy tensor,

$$T^{\mu\nu}_{;\mu} = 0$$

We have:

$$T^{\mu\nu}_{; \mu} = T^{\mu\nu}_{, \mu} + \Gamma^{\mu}_{\mu\sigma} T^{\sigma\nu} + \Gamma^{\nu}_{\mu\sigma} T^{\mu\sigma}$$

\* For  $v=0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} T^{\mu 0}_{; \mu} &= T^{\mu 0}_{, \mu} + \Gamma^{\mu}_{\mu 0} T^{00} + \cancel{\Gamma^0_{00} T^{00}} + \Gamma^0_{ij} T^{ij} \\ &= \dot{\rho} + 3 \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \rho + \underbrace{\dot{a} a \Gamma^0_{ij} \times \phi a^{-2} r^{ij}}_{= 3; \Gamma^0_{ij} r^{ij} = \delta^0_k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\dot{\rho} + 3 \frac{\dot{a}}{a} (\rho + \phi) = 0}$$

PROBLEM # 14 - Show that the equation

$$T^{\mu i}_{; \mu} = 0 \quad \text{in fact vanishes identically}$$

Notice that the equation above, which is called the continuity equation, is equivalent to the statement that

$$dE = -\phi dV \quad \leftarrow \phi dV \text{ is the work done by the system}$$

$$\frac{d(\rho V)}{dt} = \dot{\rho} V + \rho \dot{V} = -\phi \dot{V}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\rho} + (\rho + p) \frac{\dot{V}}{V} = 0$$

Since the 3D physical volume  $V \sim a^3$ ,  
we have that

$$\frac{\dot{V}}{V} = 3H$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\dot{a}}{a} = H}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\dot{\rho} + 3H(\rho + p) = 0}$$

CHECK!

## The Friedman Equations

$$G_{\mu\nu} = -8\pi G T_{\mu\nu} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \boxed{3\left(H^2 + \frac{K}{a^2}\right) = 8\pi G \rho} & (*) \\ -H^2 - 2\frac{\dot{a}}{a} - \frac{K}{a^2} = 8\pi G p & (**) \end{cases}$$

It is also useful to write (and easier to remember):

$$(*) + 3(**) \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -4\pi G (\rho + 3p)}$$

↑ "Acceleration"                      ↑ "Force"

THESE EQUATIONS ARE FUNCTIONS OF TIME ONLY!  
(NOTICE THAT  $R_{\mu\nu}$ ,  $G_{\mu\nu}$  and  $g_{\mu\nu}$  are not functions of time only!)

These equations are particular to Einstein's General Relativity. In theories of gravity where, for instance,

$$S_{EH} = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R \rightarrow \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \tilde{f}(R)$$

the Friedman equations are modified.

We can write:  $\tilde{f}(R) = R + f(R)$

↑  $f = \text{const.}$  recovers General Relativity w/  $\Lambda$   
 $f(R) \rightarrow +2\Lambda$

Modified Einstein Equations:

$$G_{\mu\nu} + \frac{df}{dR} R_{\mu\nu} + \left( \square \frac{df}{dR} - \frac{f}{2} \right) g_{\mu\nu} - \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \frac{df}{dR} = -8\pi G T_{\mu\nu}$$

$\frac{df}{dR} \equiv \frac{df}{dR}$  is like a scalar field!

For  $k=0$ , the 0-0 EFE becomes:

$$H^2 - \frac{2}{3} f_R (H^2 + H H') - \frac{1}{6} f + H^2 \frac{f_{RR}}{R'} R' = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho$$

$$H' = \frac{dH}{dt} = \frac{1}{H a} \ddot{a} + H^2$$

~~Problem~~ # 15

Consider the metric:  $ds^2 = -N^2(t)dt^2 + a^2(t) \gamma_{ij} dx^i dx^j$

$$\gamma_{ij} = (1 + k\pi^2)^{-2} \delta_{ij}$$

- (a) Compute the connections, Ricci tensor and Ricci scalar
- (b) Find the modified Friedman equation 0-0 for the theory with

$$S_{\text{mod}} = \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \frac{R + f(R)}{16\pi G}$$

By varying this action with respect to  $N$ , and then taking  $N \rightarrow 1$ .

- (c) By imposing the continuity equation for matter (the RHS of the modified Friedman equations), find the modified  $i-i$  Friedman equation.

Matter

Usually we assume that, almost always, the number density of particles is conserved, for each individual species (protons, e, H, He, N...).

$$n(t) = \frac{N}{V} \propto a^{-3}$$

The 4-momentum of the particles is

$$p^\mu = (E, \vec{p}), \quad p^\mu p_\mu = -m^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (\text{Flat spacetime}) \quad E^2 = \vec{p}^2 + m^2$$

The energy density of a given species is:

$$\rho_S = m_S \bar{E}_S \quad \text{--- average energy of } S \text{ particles}$$

The pressure (density) is:

$$P_S^i = m_S \bar{p}_S^i \bar{v}_S^i \quad (\text{no summation over } i!)$$

If we assume that the distribution of this species is homogeneous and isotropic, then

$$\sum_i P_S^i = m_S \sum_i \bar{p}_S^i \bar{v}_S^i = 3 P_S$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{P_S = \frac{1}{3} m_S \vec{\bar{p}}_S \cdot \vec{\bar{v}}_S}$$

Interesting limits:

$$(a) \quad m \gg |\vec{p}|, \quad E \approx m$$

$$|\vec{v}| \ll 1(c)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\rho_m \approx M_m \cdot M$$

$$P_m \approx \frac{1}{3} M_m \cdot m \frac{|\vec{p}|^2}{m^2} \ll \rho_m$$

In this case,  $\rho_m \sim M_m \sim a^{-3}$

"DUST"  
"Pressureless matter"

(b) Relativistic limit ("ultra-relativistic")

$$m \rightarrow 0, \quad E \approx |\vec{p}|, \quad \vec{p} \cdot \vec{v} \approx |\vec{p}|$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho_r \approx m_r E_r$$

$$P_r \approx \frac{1}{3} m_r \cdot \vec{p} \cdot \vec{v} \approx \frac{1}{3} m_r |\vec{p}| = \frac{1}{3} m_r E_r$$

Note that, in an expanding universe,  $E_r \sim \frac{1}{a}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{"radiation"}: \begin{cases} \rho_r \sim a^{-4} \\ P_r = \frac{1}{3} \rho_r \end{cases}$$

PROBLEM # 16

Verify that the expressions for <sup>the energy density and pressure of</sup> "dust" and "radiation" are consistent with the continuity equation

(c) Cosmological constant ( $\Lambda$ )

Consider a type of matter/energy for which

$$\rho_\Lambda = \text{constant} = \frac{\Lambda}{8\pi G}$$

By the continuity equation,  $\dot{\rho}_\Lambda + 3H(\rho_\Lambda + p_\Lambda) = 0$ ,

$$\Rightarrow p_\Lambda = -\rho_\Lambda \quad \underline{\text{Negative pressure}}$$

Example of negative pressure:  
 Bag model of QCD



gluons,  $F \sim x^2$

$$\Rightarrow p \approx -\frac{1}{3} \rho$$

(d) General expression

$$p = w \rho$$

W: EQUATION OF STATE

↑ constant, or function of time.

$$w_{\text{m}} = 0 \quad (\text{dust})$$

$$w_{\text{r}} = \frac{1}{3} \quad (\text{radiation})$$

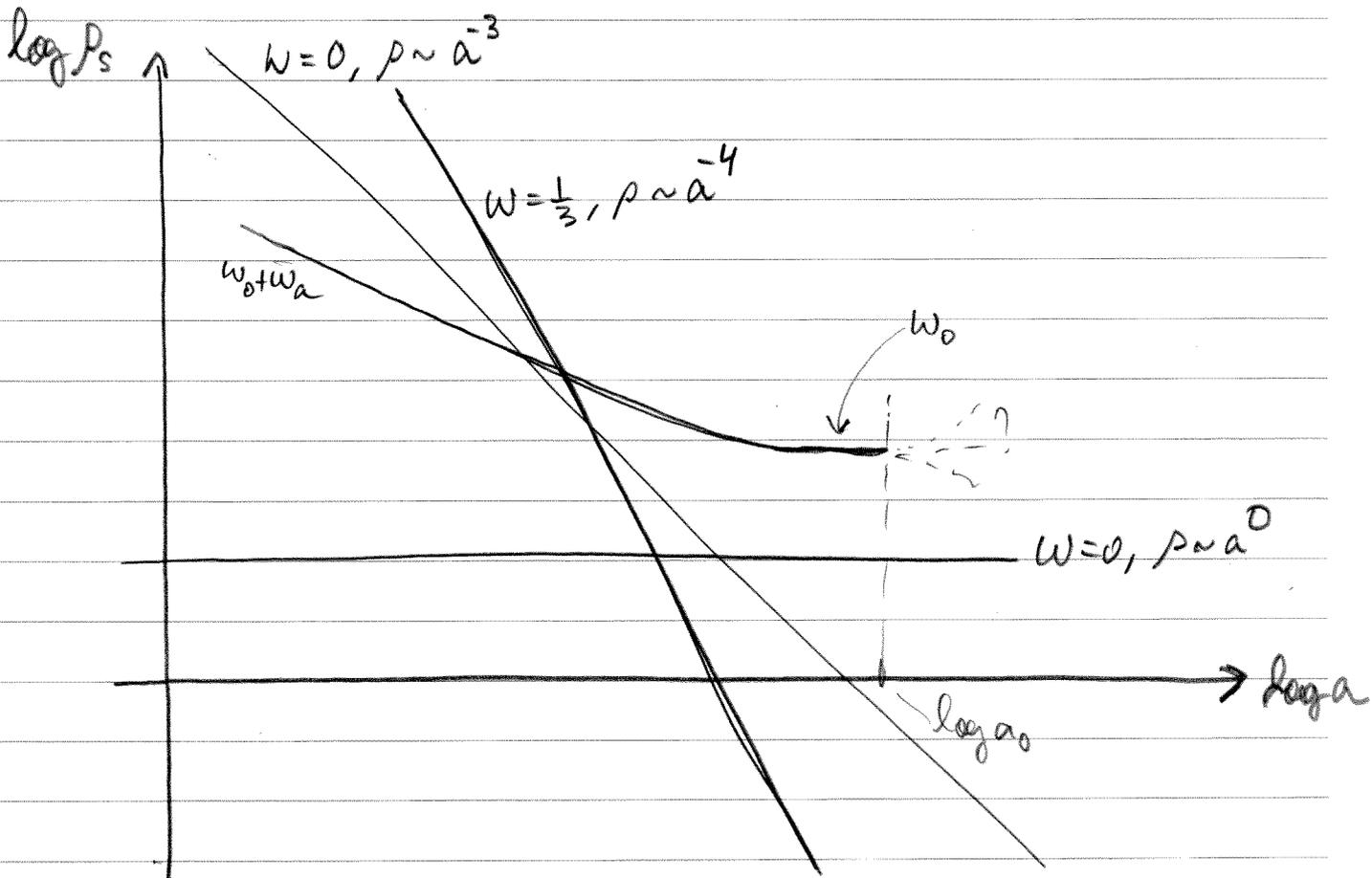
$$w_\Lambda = -1 \quad (\Lambda)$$

## PROBLEM # 17

In the CPL parameterization,  $w = w(a)$ , with:

$$w_{\text{CPL}} = w_0 + w_a (a_0 - a) \quad [a_0 \rightarrow 1 \text{ for CPL}]$$

Find the functional form of  $\rho(a)$  given this equation of state



## The density parameter

The Friedmann equation reads:

$$\frac{3}{8\pi G} \left( H^2 + \frac{k}{a^2} \right) = \rho = \rho_1 + \rho_2 + \dots$$

or, 
$$\frac{3H^2}{8\pi G} = \rho - \frac{3k}{8\pi G a^2}$$

Let's define  $\rho_c(t) \equiv \frac{3H^2}{8\pi G} \longrightarrow$  Today,  $\rho_c^0 \approx 10^{-29} \text{ g/cm}^3$ , or  $\sim 6 \text{ protons/m}^3$ , if all matter/energy was in the form of baryonic matter

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{\rho}{\rho_c} + \frac{\rho_k}{\rho_c} \quad \rho_k \equiv -\frac{3k}{8\pi G a^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_c} + \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_c} + \dots + \frac{\rho_k}{\rho_c}$$

Density parameter:  $\Omega_s = \frac{\rho_s}{\rho_c}$   $\Omega_s^0 = \frac{\rho_s(a=a_0)}{\rho_c(a=a_0)}$

$\Rightarrow$  Friedman equation:  $\sum_s \Omega_s = 1 - \Omega_k$

$$\begin{cases} \Omega_m + \Omega_r + \Omega_\Lambda + \Omega_w + \Omega_k = 1 \\ H^2 = H_0^2 \left( \Omega_m^0 a^{-3} + \Omega_r^0 a^{-4} + \Omega_\Lambda^0 + \Omega_k^0 a^{-2} + \dots \right) \end{cases}$$

Spatial curvature revisited

$$\rho_k = \frac{-3K}{8\pi G a^2}, \quad \Omega_k = \frac{A_k}{\rho_c}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Flat space} \Rightarrow \Omega_k = 0, \quad \sum_s \Omega_s = 1$$

$$\text{"Closed" space} \Rightarrow \Omega_k < 0, \quad \sum_s \Omega_s > 1$$

$$\text{"Open" space} \Rightarrow \Omega_k > 0, \quad \sum_s \Omega_s < 1$$

The CMB indicates that (\* WITH BAO +  $H_0$ !)

$$\Omega_0 = \sum_s \Omega_s^0 \cong 1.01 \pm 0.01$$

$$\Rightarrow -0.02 \lesssim \Omega_k^0 \lesssim 0.01 \quad (\text{WMAP7 years} \\ + \text{BAO} + H_0)$$

## PROBLEM #18

dust,  $p=0$ 

Let's say that there is only matter, some spatial curvature, and also some type of matter  $\chi$  such that its equation of state is  $w_\chi = -\frac{2}{3}$ .

(a) Compute the luminosity-distance as a function of redshift, in the limit  $z \ll 1$ , to second order in  $z$  (re-derive  $d_L(z)$  if  $K \neq 0$ !)

(b) An astronomical observation tells you that the deceleration parameter  $q_0$  is:

$$-0.4 \leq q_0 \leq -0.2$$

Another observation tells you that

$$-0.05 \leq \Omega_m^0 \leq 0.05$$

How these observations limit the possible values of  $\Omega_m^0$  and  $h_0^0$ ?

Try to Make a plot such as:

