

Problem 1

a) We just need to find \ddot{a} :

$$a(t) = Ct^2$$

$$\dot{a} = 2Ct$$

$$\ddot{a} = 2C > 0, \text{ since } C > 0.$$

But

$$H = \frac{\dot{a}}{a} = \frac{2Ct}{Ct^2} = \frac{2}{t}$$

So the expansion is accelerating,
but H decreases with time.

b) Same thing here:

$$a = a_0 e^{H_0(t-t_0)}$$

$$\dot{a} = a_0 H_0 e^{H_0(t-t_0)} = H_0 a$$

$$\ddot{a} = H_0^2 a > 0 \rightarrow \text{accelerating}$$

But $\frac{\dot{a}}{a} = H_0 = \text{constant},$

so H does not increase with time.

c) $H = \frac{\dot{a}}{a}$, so

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right) = \frac{\ddot{a}a - \dot{a} \cdot \dot{a}}{a^2} = \frac{\ddot{a}}{a} - \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right)^2$$

FI with $k=0$:

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho$$

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

So

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3} \rho - 4\pi G \frac{p}{c^2} - \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho$$

$$= -4\pi G \left(\rho + \frac{p}{c^2} \right) < 0 \text{ if } \rho + \frac{p}{c^2} > 0$$

Q.E.D

Problem 2

a) This is the Milne model (see lectures)

$$\rho = p = 0, \quad k = -1$$

Then FI gives

$$\dot{a}^2 - c^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{a} = c$$

$$\Rightarrow a = ct$$

Since $a_0 = ct_0$ ($t_0 = \text{today}$)

we can also write this as

$$a = a_0 \left(\frac{t}{t_0} \right)$$

b) $k=0$, but universe with $\rho = -\frac{1}{3}\rho_0 c^2$

$$\Rightarrow \rho = \rho_0 \left(\frac{a}{a_0} \right)^{-3(1-\frac{1}{3})} = \rho_0 \left(\frac{a}{a_0} \right)^{-2}$$

FI:

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right)^2 + 0 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho_0 \left(\frac{a}{a_0} \right)^{-2}$$

$$\frac{1}{H_0^2} \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3H_0^2} \rho_0 \left(\frac{a}{a_0} \right)^{-2}$$

$= \rho_0 / \rho_{c0}$
 $= 1$ for $h=0$

$$x \equiv a/a_0, \quad \tau \equiv H_0 t$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x^2} \left(\frac{dx}{d\tau} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{d\tau} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \tau \quad (\text{choose } x(0) = 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{a_0} = H_0 t$$

$$t = t_0 \Rightarrow 1 = H_0 t_0 \Rightarrow H_0 = \frac{1}{t_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = a_0 \left(\frac{t}{t_0} \right)$$

So these two models, which are physically completely different, give the same solution for $a = a(t)$.

c) Can we distinguish between them using $d_L(z)$?

Found in previous problem set, and in summary of week 4 that for Milne

$$d_L(z) = \frac{c}{H_0} \left(\frac{z^2 + 2z}{2} \right)$$

For $k=0$, $w = -\frac{1}{3} \rightarrow$ model:

$$d_L(z) = \frac{c(1+z)}{H_0} \int_0^z \frac{dz'}{\sqrt{1 \cdot (1+z')^2}}$$

\downarrow
 $h(z) = H(z)/H_0$ for this model

$$= \frac{c}{H_0} (1+z) \int_0^z \frac{dz'}{1+z'}$$

$$= \frac{c}{H_0} (1+z) \ln(1+z)$$

So $d_L(z)$ behaves differently from that of the Milne model.

At $z=1$: $d_L = \frac{c}{H_0} \frac{1+2}{2} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{c}{H_0}$ (Milne)

$$d_L = \frac{c}{H_0} 2 \ln 2 \approx 1,39 \frac{c}{H_0} \quad (k=0, w=-\frac{1}{3})$$

a relative difference of 7%.

At $z=2$: $d_L = \frac{c}{H_0} \frac{4+4}{2} = 4 \frac{c}{H_0}$ (Milne)

$$d_L = \frac{c}{H_0} 3 \ln 3 \approx 3,30 \frac{c}{H_0} \quad (k=0, w=-\frac{1}{3})$$

a relative difference of 17,5%. This is within the possible for observations to distinguish between

Problem 3

a) Have shown in the lectures that

$$t_0 = \frac{1}{H_0} \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x h(x)}$$

where $x = a/a_0$, and

$$h(x) = \frac{H(x)}{H_0} = \frac{H(a/a_0)}{H_0}$$

Rewrite as an integral over redshift:

$$1+z = \frac{a_0}{a} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$dz = -\frac{1}{x^2} dx = -(1+z)^2 dz$$

$$dx = -\frac{dz}{(1+z)^2}$$

$$x=1 \rightarrow 1+z=1 \rightarrow z=0$$

$$x=0 \rightarrow 1+z = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} = \infty$$

So

$$t_0 = \frac{1}{H_0} \int_{\infty}^0 (1+z) \frac{1}{h(z)} \left(-\frac{dz}{(1+z)^2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{H_0} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dz}{(1+z) h(z)}$$

For a model with NR matter and spatial curvature,

$$h^2 = \frac{H^2}{H_0^2} = \Omega_{m0} (1+z)^3 + \Omega_{k0} (1+z)^2$$

and $\Omega_{m0} + \Omega_{k0} = 1$, so

$$h(z) = \sqrt{\Omega_{m0} (1+z)^3 + (1-\Omega_{m0})(1+z)^2}$$

and the result follows.

b) Consider t_0 as a function of Ω_{m0} :

$$t_0(\Omega_{m0}) = \frac{1}{H_0} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dz}{(1+z) \sqrt{\Omega_{m0}(1+z)^3 + (1-\Omega_{m0})(1+z)^2}}$$

Take the derivative

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{d\Omega_{m0}} t_0(\Omega_{m0}) &= \frac{1}{H_0} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dz}{1+z} \frac{d}{d\Omega_{m0}} \left[\Omega_{m0}(1+z)^3 + (1-\Omega_{m0})(1+z)^2 \right]^{-1/2} \\ &= \frac{1}{H_0} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dz}{1+z} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left[\Omega_{m0}(1+z)^3 + (1-\Omega_{m0})(1+z)^2 \right]^{-3/2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \cdot \left[(1+z)^3 - (1+z)^2 \right] \right\} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2H_0} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dz}{1+z} \frac{(1+z)^2 \cdot z}{\left[\Omega_{m0}(1+z)^3 + (1-\Omega_{m0})(1+z)^2 \right]^{3/2}} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2H_0} \int_0^{\infty} dz \frac{z(1+z)}{\left[\Omega_{m0}(1+z)^3 + (1-\Omega_{m0})(1+z)^2 \right]^{3/2}} \end{aligned}$$

The integral is clearly positive, so we see that

$$\frac{d}{d\Omega_{m0}} t_0(\Omega_{m0}) < 0,$$

and t_0 is therefore a strictly decreasing function of Ω_{m0} , bounded upwards by the value at $\Omega_{m0} = 0$:

$$t_0(\Omega_{m0} = 0) = \frac{1}{H_0} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dz}{(1+z) \sqrt{0 + (1+z)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{H_0} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dz}{(1+z)^2} = \frac{1}{H_0} \left[-\frac{1}{1+z} \right]_0^{\infty} = \frac{1}{H_0}$$

So, for $\Omega_{m0} > 0$,
 $t_0 < \frac{1}{H_0}$, q. e. d.

Problem 4

a) With m, L & k :

$$PI \Rightarrow \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 + \frac{kc^2}{a^2} = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \left[\rho_{m0} \left(\frac{a}{a_0}\right)^{-3} + \rho_{L0} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{H_0^2} \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 + \frac{kc^2}{a_0^2 H_0^2} \frac{a_0^2}{a^2} = \frac{8\pi G}{3 H_0^3} \left[\rho_{m0} \left(\frac{a}{a_0}\right)^{-3} + \rho_{L0} \right]$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{= -\Omega_{k0}} \qquad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{= \frac{1}{3}\Omega_{L0}}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{H_0^2} \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \Omega_{m0} \left(\frac{a}{a_0}\right)^{-3} + \Omega_{L0} + \Omega_{k0} \left(\frac{a}{a_0}\right)^{-2}$$

$$t=t_0 : 1 = \Omega_{m0} + \Omega_{L0} + \Omega_{k0} \Rightarrow \Omega_{m0} = 1 - \Omega_{L0} - \Omega_{k0}$$

New variables: $x = a/a_0, \tau = H_0 t$

$$\frac{\dot{a}}{a} = \frac{1}{a} \frac{da}{dt} = \frac{1}{a_0 x} \left(\frac{d}{d\tau} a_0 x \right) \frac{d\tau}{dt}$$

$$= \frac{H_0}{x} \frac{dx}{d\tau}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{H_0^2} \frac{H_0^2}{x^2} \left(\frac{dx}{d\tau}\right)^2 = \Omega_{m0} x^{-3} + \Omega_{L0} + \Omega_{k0} x^{-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\left(\frac{dx}{d\tau}\right)^2 + \left[-\frac{\Omega_{m0}}{x} - \Omega_{L0} x^2\right]}_{= U(x)} = \Omega_{k0} = 1 - \Omega_{m0} - \Omega_{L0}$$

b) $\left(\frac{dx}{d\tau}\right)^2 \geq 0$, so

$$U(x) = -\left(\frac{\Omega_{m0}}{x} + \Omega_{L0} x^2\right) = \Omega_{k0} - \left(\frac{dx}{d\tau}\right)^2 \leq \Omega_{k0}$$

$$U(x) = -\frac{\Omega_{m0}}{x} + \Omega_{\Lambda 0} x^2$$

$$U'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\Omega_{m0}}{x^2} - 2\Omega_{\Lambda 0} x = 0$$

$$x^3 = \frac{\Omega_{m0}}{2\Omega_{\Lambda 0}}$$

$$x = \left(\frac{\Omega_{m0}}{2\Omega_{\Lambda 0}}\right)^{1/3}$$

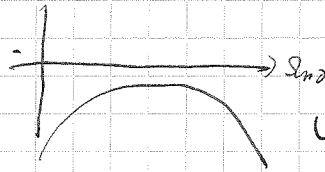
$$U_{\max} = \frac{1}{x} (\Omega_{m0} - \Omega_{\Lambda 0} x^3)$$

$$= \left(\frac{2\Omega_{\Lambda 0}}{\Omega_{m0}}\right)^{1/3} \left(-\Omega_{m0} - \Omega_{\Lambda 0} \frac{\Omega_{m0}}{2\Omega_{\Lambda 0}}\right)$$

$$= -\frac{3}{2} \Omega_{m0} \left(\frac{2\Omega_{\Lambda 0}}{\Omega_{m0}}\right)^{1/3}$$

$$1) \quad \Omega_{m0} = 0,3, \quad \Omega_{\Lambda 0} = 0,7 \rightarrow \Omega_{\Lambda 0} = 0$$

$$U_{\max} = -0,75 < \Omega_{\Lambda 0}$$

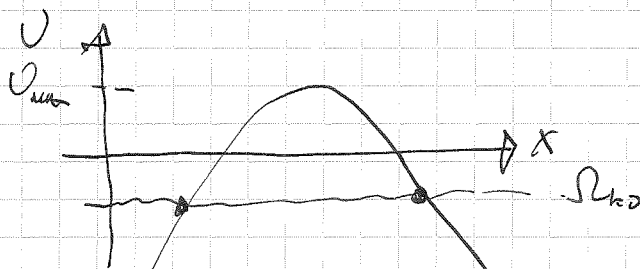


Universe expanding from $a=0$ to $a=\infty$

$$2) \quad \Omega_{m0} = 2,0, \quad \Omega_{\Lambda 0} = -0,5$$

$$\rightarrow U_{\max} = 2,38$$

$$\Omega_{\Lambda 0} = 1 - 2 + 0,5 = -0,5 < U_{\max}$$



Universe with a Crunch

Universe with a bounce

$$3. \quad \Omega_{m0} = 0,5, \quad \Omega_{k0} = 3,0$$

$$\rightarrow v_{max} \approx -1,72$$

$$\Omega_{k0} = 1 - 0,5 - 3 = -2,5 < v_{max}$$

Same situation as in 2.

d) DGP:

$$\frac{H^2(z)}{H_0^2} = \left(\sqrt{\Omega_{m0}(1+z)^3 + \Omega_{r0}} + \sqrt{\Omega_{r0}} \right)^2 + \Omega_{k0}(1+z)^2$$

$$\underline{z=0} \quad H^2(z=0) = H_0^2 \quad \text{, so}$$

$$1 = \left(\sqrt{\Omega_{m0} + \Omega_{r0}} + \sqrt{\Omega_{r0}} \right)^2 + \Omega_{k0}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \Omega_{m0} + \Omega_{r0} + 2\sqrt{\Omega_{r0}}\sqrt{\Omega_{m0} + \Omega_{r0}} + \Omega_{r0} + \Omega_{k0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\Omega_{m0} + \Omega_{k0} + 2\Omega_{r0} + 2\sqrt{\Omega_{r0}}\sqrt{\Omega_{m0} + \Omega_{r0}} = 1}$$

e) As usual, $1+z = \frac{a_0}{a} = \frac{1}{x} = x^{-1}$

and

$$\frac{H^2}{H_0^2} = \left(\frac{1}{H_0} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{a_0 x} \right) \frac{dt}{dt} \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{H_0^2} \left(\frac{1}{a_0 x} \cdot a_0 \frac{dx}{dt} \cdot H_0 \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{H_0^2} H_0^2 \left(\frac{dx}{x^2 dt} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{x^2} \left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right)^2$$

[I] for DGP becomes

$$\frac{1}{x^2} \left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right)^2 = \left(\sqrt{\Omega_{m0} x^{-3} + \Omega_{r0}} + \sqrt{\Omega_{r0}} \right)^2 + \Omega_{k0} x^{-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left[-x^2 \left(\sqrt{\Omega_{m0} x^{-3} + \Omega_{rc}} + \sqrt{\Omega_{rc}} \right) \right] = \Omega_{k0}$$

$$\Omega_{k0} = 1 - \Omega_{m0} - 2\Omega_{rc} - 2\sqrt{\Omega_{rc}} \sqrt{\Omega_{m0} + \Omega_{rc}}$$

= constant

f) Here, $U(x) = -x^2 \left(\sqrt{\Omega_{m0} x^{-3} + \Omega_{rc}} + \sqrt{\Omega_{rc}} \right)$

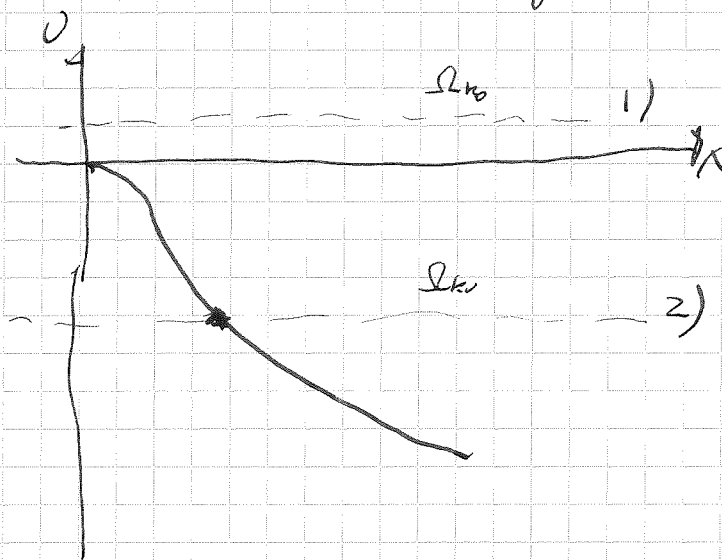
$$= -\sqrt{\Omega_{m0} x^4 + \Omega_{rc} x^4} - \sqrt{\Omega_{rc}} x^2$$

We see that $U(0) = 0$,

and $U(x) \approx -\sqrt{\Omega_{m0}} x^2$ for small x ,

$|U(x)| \approx -2\sqrt{\Omega_{rc}} x^2$ for large x ,

so U will look something like this



Only two types of situations can occur then:

- 1) , where $\Omega_{k0} \geq 0$ and the Universe expands from 0 to ∞
- or 2) where the Universe has a minimum size, and we have a Big Bounce (dep on initial conditions)