

entropy \mathcal{S}

in therm. eq.: $Td\mathcal{S} = dE + pdV$

$$\Rightarrow d\mathcal{S}(V, T) = \frac{1}{T} \{ d[Vs(T)] + p(T)dV \}$$

$$= \frac{s+p}{T} dV + \frac{V}{T} \frac{ds}{dT} dT$$

$$= \frac{\partial \mathcal{S}}{\partial V} \quad (\text{I})$$

$$= \frac{\partial \mathcal{S}}{\partial T} \quad (\text{II})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{S}}{\partial T \partial V} \stackrel{!}{=} \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{S}}{\partial V \partial T}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \left[\frac{s+p}{T} \right] \stackrel{\text{I}}{=} \frac{\partial}{\partial V} \left[\frac{V}{T} \frac{ds}{dT} \right] \stackrel{\text{II}}{=}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -\frac{1}{T^2}(s+p) + \frac{1}{T} \frac{d}{dT}(s+p) = \frac{1}{T} \frac{ds}{dT} \Rightarrow \frac{dp}{dT} = \frac{s+p}{T}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \mathcal{S}}{\partial T} \stackrel{\text{II}}{=} \frac{V}{T} \frac{ds}{dT} = \frac{V}{T} \frac{d(s+p)}{dT} - \frac{V}{T} \frac{dp}{dT} = V \frac{d}{dT} \left(\frac{s+p}{T} \right) \quad (\text{III})$$

$$\Rightarrow (\text{III} + \text{I}): \quad \mathcal{S} = V \frac{s+p}{T} \quad (+ \text{const.})$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{s \equiv \frac{\mathcal{S}}{V} = \frac{s+p}{T}}$$

entropy density
(valid in thermal equilibrium)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} (a^3 s) = \frac{1}{T} \frac{d}{dt} (a^3 s) + \frac{1}{T} \frac{d}{dt} (a^3 p) - \frac{s+p}{T^2} a^3 \dot{T}$$

$$= \frac{1}{T} \left\{ \underbrace{\frac{d}{dt} (a^3 s) + p \frac{d}{dt} a^3}_{=0 \text{ (from } T^{uv}_{;v} = 0)} + \underbrace{\frac{dp}{dT} a^3 \dot{T} - \frac{s+p}{T} a^3 \dot{T}}_{=0} \right\}$$

\Rightarrow entropy conserved in thermal equilibrium!

"adiabatic approximation"

$$\Rightarrow S = \frac{s+p}{T} \stackrel{T \gg m}{=} \frac{2\pi^2}{45} g_{\text{eff}}^s T^3 ; g_{\text{eff}}^s = \sum_{\text{bosons}} g_i \left(\frac{T_i}{T}\right)^3 + \frac{7}{8} \sum_{\text{fermions}} g_i \left(\frac{T_i}{T}\right)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow s a^3 = \text{const.} \Rightarrow T a g_{\text{eff}}^s a^{-1} \sim \text{"hot big bang!"}$$

What to do outside equilibrium /
 how to describe particle species falling out of eq.?



Boltzmann equation

describes evolution $f(\vec{x}, \vec{p})$

$$\hat{L}[f] = \hat{C}[f]$$

↑ "Liouville operator" ← collision term



$$\hat{L}[f] = \frac{df}{d\lambda} = \frac{dx^i}{d\lambda} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} + \frac{dp^i}{d\lambda} \frac{\partial f}{\partial p^i} \quad | \quad \lambda = \tau$$

$$= p^i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} - \Gamma_{\sigma}^i p^{\sigma} \frac{\partial f}{\partial p^i} \quad | \quad \text{use } \Gamma_{\sigma}^i \text{ for FRW}$$

$$= p^0 (\partial_t - H \vec{p} \cdot \nabla_{\vec{p}}) f(t, \vec{p})$$

↑ physical momentum
 (not comoving!)
 $\vec{p} = \frac{\vec{p}}{a}$

for the number density, we just need to integrate over the momenta:

$$g_i \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\hat{L}[t_i]}{p^0} = \partial_t \left[\underbrace{g_i \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} t_i}_{n_i} \right] - H \underbrace{g_i \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \vec{p} \cdot \nabla_{\vec{p}} t_i}_{\rightarrow -t_i \underbrace{\nabla_{\vec{p}} \cdot \vec{p}}_{\frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} p_i} = 3}}$$

$$= \dot{n}_i + 3H n_i \quad | \quad H = \frac{\dot{a}}{a}$$

$$= \frac{1}{a^3} \frac{d}{dt} (a^3 n_i)$$

comoving number density
 \Rightarrow constant for $C[f] = 0 \checkmark$

freeze-out mechanism

static case: all particle species in equilibrium,
 e.g. through



expanding universe: competition between

- H - expansion rate
- $\Gamma = n \sigma v$ interaction rate

\rightarrow @ large T : $\Gamma \gg H$: thermal eq.

@ "freeze-out" T_f : $\Gamma \sim H$

@ small T ($T < T_+$): particle species i decoupled from heat bath

$$\Leftrightarrow C[f_i] = 0$$

in detail: $\hat{L}[f_i] = C[f_i]$

$$\downarrow g_i \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{E}$$

assume $n_i = n_i^-$
(no asymmetry)

$$\frac{dn_i}{dt} + 3Hn_i = -\langle \sigma v \rangle \left[n_i^2 - (n_i^{eq})^2 \right]$$

