Cosmology – Lecture I – Theory

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History of the Universe







General Introduction Theory

See also talk by Prof. Chanda Prescod-Weinstein (30/11)

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What is Cosmology?

Fundamental questions about the origin and destiny of the Universe:
 What is the Universe made up of ?
 How did the matter and structures form in the Universe ?
 Why is the Universe as we see it ?
 What is our place in the Universe ?
 Did the Universe always exists, and if not, what is its age ?
 How will the Universe evolve / possibly end ?
 Questions that appear in all cultures/religions
 Many different answers across history





Historical Cosmology

Movement of the planets & stars:
During one night
From one night to the other: puzzling retrograde motion
From one year to the other: apparent movement of stars
From different places on the earth



Model of Ptolemy

Earth at center, fixed stars
 Complicated movement of planets explained by epi-cycles
 Able to describe this retrograde motion



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Major Steps in History

- □ -3000 : Flat earth, mythological Cosmology (Egypt, ...)
- \square ~100 : Earth at centre (Ptolemy)
- □ 1520 1680 : Sun at centre (Copernic, Newton)
- □ 1917 : Universe is infinite (Einstein)
- 1922 : Evolving Universe (Friedman Lemaître)
- 1964 : Discovery of Cosmological Background. Big Bang model (Penzias & Wilson)
- \square > 2000 : Accelerated expansion (Supernova Ia, ...), modern cosmology

Open questions, observables



Evolution of the Universe

Formation of structures



Big bang Nucleo-synthesis

Supernova 1a: distance versus recession velocity



Cosmological Background



Abundances of light elements

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Cosmology without General relativity (!)

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Is a static Universe possible?

Take a Universe with many galaxies isotropically distributed
 Gravity force between each pair of galaxies is attractive
 Calculate the evolution in a mean gravitational field
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Is a static Universe possible?

R(t)

 $\vec{F}(R)$

Consider only one Galaxy at distance R(t)
 Forces:

- Radial by symmetry
- Isotropic pressure \rightarrow no net force
- Radial force due to inner matter (Gauss theorem)

 $\vec{F}(R) = -\frac{GM(R)m}{R^2}\vec{u}_R$

Evolution of a "bubble":

 $\frac{d^2 R}{d t^2} = -\frac{G M (R)}{R^2}$ Matter Universe, conservation of mass

 $M(R) = \frac{4}{3}\rho_m(t)R^3 = C_{\text{ste}}$

Evolution of a matter Universe

R(t)

Only for Matter!

Gravitational force $\vec{F}(R) = -\frac{GM(R)m}{R^2}\vec{u}_R$ □ Fundamental principle $\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 R}{\mathrm{d} t^2} = -\frac{G M(R)}{R^2}$ Conservation of mass $M(R) = \frac{4}{3} \rho_m(t) R^3 = C_{\text{ste}}$ Evolution Equation:

$$\left(\frac{\ddot{R}}{R}\right) = -\frac{4\pi}{3}\rho_m G \quad \Rightarrow \quad \dot{R}\ddot{R} = -\frac{4\pi}{3}(\rho_m R^3)G\frac{\dot{R}}{R^2}$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad \left(\frac{\dot{R}}{R}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi}{3}(\rho_m R^3)\frac{G}{R^3} + \frac{C}{R^2}$$

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Evolution of a matter Universe

• Evolution Equations:

Velocity Acceleration $\left(\frac{\dot{R}}{R}\right)^2 = M_0 \frac{G}{R^3} + \frac{C}{R^2} \qquad q = \left(\frac{\ddot{R}}{R}\right) = -\frac{8\pi G \rho_m}{3} \le 0$

Expansion of the Universe is decelerated by matter content
 C is a constant specific to the Universe (Curvature! - see later)
 This does NOT require general relativity, pure classical mechanics!

NO static massive Universe is possible !!

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Interlude – Why no static Universe? Olber's paradox (1758-1840)

- Imagine a infinite, static Universe existing since ever.
- Isotropic distribution of Galaxies
- Light received by a galaxy at distance R scales as 1/R²
- Number of galaxies at distance [R, R+dR] scales a R² dR
- Each slice contribute to ~ same value, integration leads to infinity



The night sky must be White!

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Observation – Hubble Law

Galaxies are separating apart at a speed proportional to their distance

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}R}{\mathrm{d}t} = H_0 R + v_p \implies H_0 = \left\langle \frac{\dot{R}}{R} \right\rangle_t$$

Hubble flow

Proper Motion

 t_0



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Evolution of a matter Universe

Rewriting the evolution equations with current value

 $\left(\frac{\dot{R}}{R}\right)^{2} = \frac{8\pi}{3} (\rho_{m} R^{3}) \frac{G}{R^{3}} + \frac{C}{R^{2}} \implies H_{0}^{2} = \frac{8\pi}{3} (\rho_{m}^{0} G) + \frac{C}{R_{0}^{2}}$

Critical density

$$\rho_c = \frac{3 H_0}{8 \pi G}, \quad \Omega_m = \frac{\rho}{\rho_c} \qquad \text{Matter}$$

Dimensionless evolution equation:

Slowdown of expansion driven by matter:

 $\frac{1}{H_0^2} \left(\frac{\dot{R}}{R}\right)^2 = \left(\Omega_m \left(\frac{R_0}{R}\right)^3 + (1 - \Omega_m) \left(\frac{R_0}{R}\right)^2\right)$ $\left(\frac{\ddot{R}}{R}\right) = -\frac{4\pi G \rho_m}{3} = -\frac{\Omega_m}{2} H_0^2$

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Evolution of a matter Universe

 $\square \ \Omega_{\rm m} = 0, \text{ monotonic expansion}$ $R(t) = R_0 H_0 \times t$

 $\square \ \Omega_m = 1 \ (critical \ Universe) \\ Decelerating \ expansion$

 $R(t) = R_0 \left(\frac{3}{2} H_0 \times t\right)^{2/3}$

Ω_m>1 (critical Universe)
 Collapsing Universe

 $R_{max} = R_0 \frac{\Omega_m}{(\Omega_m - 1)}$

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A (tiny)-bit of General relativity

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Equivalence Principle - A. Einstein

No difference could be found between inertial mass (in acceleration) and gravitational mass (in gravity forces)
 ⇒ Implies that acceleration of a body in a gravitational field is independent of the nature of the body
 □ Tested extensively in vacuum tower

 Thus there is no way to distinguish between a free-fall movement in gravity field from a accelerated movement in absence of field
 ⇒ Gravity can be understood as a property of space and not of the falling body







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General Relativity vs Newtonian

Newtonian Gravity: Universe is flat and immuable, trajectories are curved due to a force (non-inertial movement)
 General relativity: Gravity is a geometric property of space, not a force. Trajectories are always inertial (geodesics) in a curved space
 Major conclusion: massless particles (light) are also affected, confirmed by measure of deflection of stars (Eddington, 1919)



Evolving Universe – Tensor Algebra

□ We consider a space time, in which we have a base of vectors $\{\vec{e}_{\mu}\}$ □ The metric is defined by the cross-product of vectors:

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \vec{e}_{\mu} \cdot \vec{e}_{\nu}$$

• Any vector can be decomposed on the base: $\vec{x} = x^{\mu} \vec{e}_{\mu}$ Covariant coordinates



Several bases can describe the same Universe, transformation given by

$$dx^{\mu} = \frac{\partial x^{\mu}}{\partial y^{\nu}} dy^{\nu} = \Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu} dy^{\nu}, \quad \vec{e}_{\mu} = \Lambda^{\nu}_{\mu} \vec{f}_{\nu}$$

Tensors are objects of higher rank (2, 3,) which transform in a similar manner

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \Lambda^{\mu}_{\ \alpha} \Lambda^{\nu}_{\ \beta} T'^{\alpha\beta}$$

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Norm & Invariants

□ Scalar are invariant by change of coordinate, for instance: $A = U^{\mu} \cdot V_{\mu} = g^{\mu\nu} U_{\mu} V_{\mu}$

The elementary distance, defining the metric, can be expressed as: $d s^2 = d x^{\mu} \cdot d x_{\mu} = g^{\mu\nu} d x_{\mu} d x_{\mu}$ Units where c = 1!

And is invariant by coordinate changes (such as the scalar product)

Tensor Algebra is the recipe to ensure that equations are Lorentz invariant, i.e. that equivalence principle is satisfied.

Curved Universe

 $g_{\mu\nu}$

□ In a flat Universe, the metric can be expressed in a diagonal form. e.g. Minkowski space (flat space-time)

□ This is not the case any more in curved Universe The "curvature" is a mathematical concept that is obtained from derivatives of the metric: $R_{\mu\nu}$

Ricci tensor

Scalar curvature $R = g^{\mu\nu} R_{\mu\nu}$



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Uniform, Isotropic Universe

A uniform, isotropic universe can be described by the Friedman-Lemaitre-Robertson-Walker metric

$$ds^{2} \equiv dx^{\mu}dx_{\mu} = dt^{2} - a^{2}(t) \left| \frac{dr^{2}}{1 - kr^{2}} + r^{2}d\theta^{2} + r^{2}\sin^{2}\theta d\phi^{2} \right|$$

 a(t) is a "scale factor" giving the size of a bubble of Universe The grid itself is expanding, not the content!
 k = 1: Spherical space (Sum of angles > π)
 k = -1: Hyperbolic space (Sum of angles < π)

k = 0: Euclidean space (Sum of angles = π)

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 $\Omega_0 = 1$

Einstein Equation – I

 General idea: find the minimum covariant formalism compatible with Newton gravity
 Start for the Poisson equation for gravitational potential

Field $\nabla^2 \Phi_p = -4\pi\rho_g$ **Matter Content Construct a Lorentz-invariant** (Covariant) version

Covariant Derivative

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \nabla^2\right) A^{\mu} = 4 \pi j^{\mu}$$

Matter Quadri-current (Density is NOT Lorentz invariant)

$$G_{\mu\nu} = \left(R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} R g_{\mu\nu} \right) = 8 \pi G T_{\mu\nu}$$

Curvature of Universe

Energy Content

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Energy Momentum Tensor?

Need a covariant (Lorentz invariant) formulation of energy conservation
 In special relativity Energy & Momentum are coupled

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}(\rho \vec{v}) = 0$$
 $\bigvee_{\mu} T^{\mu}_{\nu} = 0$

Energy momentum tensor for a perfect fluid (Lorentz Invariant)

$$T_{\mu\nu} = n(\widetilde{x}) \frac{p_{\mu} p_{\nu}}{E} = \rho u_{\mu} u_{\nu} + P(g_{\mu\nu} + u_{\mu} u_{\nu})$$

 u_{μ} is the four velocity In the rest frame of fluid, $u^{\mu}=(1,0,0,0)$ and thus:

$$\begin{array}{c}
\rho(t) \\
-P(t) \\
-P(t) \\
-P(t)
\end{array}$$

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Energy Momentum Tensor



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Flux

Momentum

Momentum

Density

Pressure

Viscosity

Einstein Equation – II

Minimum Covariant Equation

$$G_{\mu\nu} = R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} R g_{\mu\nu} = 8 \pi G T_{\mu\nu}$$

Curvature of Universe Energy Content

• Energy Content:

$$T_{\mu\nu} = \sum_{\text{species}} \left(\rho \, u_{\mu} u_{\nu} + P \left(g_{\mu\nu} + u_{\mu} u_{\nu} \right) \right)$$

One can add a Cosmological Constant to force a static universe (Compensates for matter), no classical equivalent

$G_{\mu\nu} + \bigwedge g_{\mu\nu} = 8 \pi G T_{\mu\nu}$

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General relativity in Friedman-Lemaitre-Robertson-Walker metric

Einstein Equation (Isotropic Uniform Universe)

$$H^{2} = \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^{2} = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \sum_{i} \rho_{i} - \frac{k}{a^{2}}$$

□ Acceleration

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3} \sum_{i} (\rho_i + 3p_i)$$

So we still need:
 Relation between pressure & density (equation of state)
 Corresponding evolution of density with time

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Why pressure?

Gravitation depends on energy content
But what if the size of the Universe changes?
Thermodynamics never lies and says:

$d E = \delta W = -p d V$



Decrease of gravitation

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Decrease of energy

density

R(t)

Thermodynamics – Evolution of density □ Work of pressure: $dE = \delta W = -p dV$ $E = \rho V$ Expression of energy: $\frac{\mathrm{d}E}{\mathrm{d}t} = \rho \frac{\mathrm{d}V}{\mathrm{d}t} + V \frac{\mathrm{d}\rho}{\mathrm{d}t} = -p \frac{\mathrm{d}V}{\mathrm{d}t}$ $\frac{\mathrm{d}\rho}{\mathrm{d}t} = -(p+\rho)\frac{1}{V}\frac{\mathrm{d}V}{\mathrm{d}t} = -3\frac{\dot{a}}{a}(p+\rho)$ • Evolution of density: $\frac{\mathrm{d}\rho}{\mathrm{d}t} = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad p = -\rho$ In particular, $P = w \rho \implies \rho(t) = \rho_0 \left(\frac{a}{a_0}\right)^{-3(1+w)}$ Using equation of state:

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Equation of state – Matter (cold)

Normal matter:Energy Density

$$\frac{E}{V} = \rho_m \left(c^2 + \frac{1}{2} v^2 \right) \approx \rho_m c^2$$

Pressure is related to kinetic energy (internal energy)

$$P = \frac{n R T}{V} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{\langle E_c \rangle}{V} \approx \frac{2}{3} \frac{\langle v^2 \rangle}{c^2} \times \frac{E}{V} \ll \frac{E}{V}$$

For normal matter kinetic energy is negligible compared to mass energy

$P=0=w\rho$ with w=0



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Equation of state – Radiation

Radiation:Energy Density

$$\frac{E}{V} = \frac{N}{V} \times pc$$

Simple calculation (reflection of photons with momentum transfer) shows

$$P = \frac{N}{V} \times p c \int \cos^2 \alpha \, \mathrm{d} \cos \alpha$$
$$= \frac{1}{3} \frac{E}{V}$$

 $P = w \rho$ with $w = \frac{1}{2}$





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Equation of state – Cosmological constant Cosmological constant is characterized by constant density $\rho = \text{constant}$ Thus $\frac{d\rho}{dt} = -3\frac{\dot{a}}{a}(p+\rho) = 0$

□ This implies

 $P = -\rho = w\rho$ with w = -1

□ Strange fluid with negative pressure!
 ⇒ Volume increase lead to energy increase!

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Cosmological Constant

- Introduced by Einstein to allow for a static Universe (counteracting the mass)
- Positive energy density, independent of size, implying negative pressure
- □ Kind of "vacuum energy"
- But in 1929 Edwin Hubble showed that the Universe is in expansion
- Much later, when I was discussing cosmological problems with Einstein, he remarked that the introduction of the cosmological term was the biggest blunder of his life.
 - -- George Gamow, My World Line, 1970

General relativity in Friedman-Lemaitre-Robertson-Walker metric

Einstein Equation (Isotropic Uniform Universe)

 $H^{2} = \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^{2} = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \sum_{i} \rho_{i} - \frac{k}{a^{2}}$ Acceleration $\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3} \sum_{i} (\rho_i + 3p_i)$ Evolution of density $\frac{\mathrm{d}\rho}{\mathrm{d}t} = -(p+\rho)\frac{1}{V}\frac{\mathrm{d}V}{\mathrm{d}t} = -3\frac{\dot{a}}{a}(p+\rho)$ Equation of state $P = w \rho \implies \rho(t) = \rho_0 \left(\frac{a}{a_0}\right)^{-3(1+w)}$

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Matter, radiation, ...

Content	State Equation	Dilution Law	Evolution
Cold Matter	$p \approx 0$	$ \rho \propto a(t)^{-3} $	$a(t) \propto t^{2/3}$
Hot Radiation	$p = \frac{\rho}{3}$	$ \rho \propto a(t)^{-4} $	$a(t) \propto t^{1/2}$
Curvature		$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = -\frac{k}{a^2}$	$a(t) \propto t$
Cosmological constant	<i>p</i> =-ρ	$\rho = C_{ste} = \frac{\Lambda}{8\pi G_N}$	$a(t) \propto e^{H \times t}$
Generic	$p = w \rho$	$\rho \propto a(t)^{-3(1+w)}$	$a(t) \propto t^{1/3(1+w)}$

Evolution of the Universe



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Deceleration parameter

Deceleration parameter

$$q = -\frac{1}{H^2} \left[\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} \right] = \frac{\Omega_m}{2} + \Omega_r - \Omega_\Lambda$$

Matter and radiation decelerates expansion
 Cosmological constants accelerates expansion
 Curvature is neutral
 Null deceleration (static universe) if

$\Omega_m + 2 \Omega_r = 2 \Omega_\Lambda$

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Epochs and Fate

- Universe starts by a radiation dominated era
- After some times, matters dominates over the radiation and expansion slows down
- □ If Ω > 1 and $Ω_Λ ~ 0$, the Universe re-collapses and radiation dominates again
- □ If Ω < 1 and $Ω_Λ ~ 0$, the Universe ends in free expansion governed by curvature
- □ If $\Omega < 1$ and $\Omega_{\Lambda} > 0$, the Universe ends in accelerated exponential expansion governed by cosmological constant



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