AS 4022: Cosmology

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Online notes: star-www.st-and.ac.uk/~hz4/cos/cos.html

Handouts in Library Summary sheet of key results (from John Peacock) take your own notes (including blackboard lectures)

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DL: Distance Ladder

 Estimate the distance of a galaxy of size 1 kpc and angular size 1 arcsec? [About 0.6 10⁹ light years]

 GL: Gravitational Lensing

 Show that a light ray grazing a spherical galaxy of 10¹⁹ Msun at typical b=1 kpc scale will be bent ~4GM/bc² radian ~1 arcsec
 It is a distance ladder

 SZ: Sunyaev-Zeldovich effect

 A cloud of 1kev thermal electrons scattering a 3K microwave photon generally boost the latter's energy by 1kev/500kev=0.2%
 This skews the blackbody CMB, moving low-energy photons to high-energy; effect is proportional to electron column density.

Acronyms and Physics Behind

















Initially zero chemical potential (~ Chain is on, equilibrium with photon)
• The number density of photon or massive particles is :

$$n = \frac{g}{h^3} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{d\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}p^3\right)}{\exp(E/kT)\pm 1} + \text{for Fermions} + \text{for Bosons}$$
• Where we count the number of particles occupied in momentum space and g is the degeneracy factor. Assuming zero cost to annihilate/decay/recreate.

$$E = \sqrt{c^2 p^2 + (mc^2)^2} \approx cp \text{ relativistic } cp >> mc^2 + \frac{1}{2}\frac{p^2}{m} \text{ non relativistic } cp < mc^2$$

• As kT cools, particles go from
• From Ultrarelativistic limit. (kT>mc²)
particles behave as if they were massless?

$$n = \left(\frac{kT}{c}\right)^{3} \frac{4\pi g}{(2\pi\hbar)^{3}} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{y^{2} dy}{e^{y} \pm 1} => n \sim T^{3}$$
• To Non relativistic limit (0-mc²/kT > 10, i.e., kT<< 0.1mc²)
Here we can neglect the ±1 in the occupancy number?

$$n = e^{-\frac{mc^{2}}{kT}} (2mkT)^{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{4\pi g}{(2\pi\hbar)^{3}} \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-y^{2}} y^{2} dy => n \sim T^{\frac{3}{2}} e^{-\frac{mc^{2}}{kT}}$$
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- Number of particles change (reduce) in this phase transition,
 _ (photons increase slightly)
- Transparent to photons or neutrinos or some other particles
- This defines a "last scattering surface" where optical depth to future drops below unity.

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At early times energy density of photons are high enough to produce particle pairs

 the number density of photons was so high, and typical photons were so energetic
 PHOTON+PHOTON ← PARTICLE + ANTI-PARTICLE

 The kinds of particles and anti-particles that are created depends on photon energy spectrum
 Particularly, depends on the average energy per photon, which depends on the temprature.
 If the photon energy is less than m_pc² then m_p can't be created; while less massive particles were still allowed to be created.

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SKIP SKIP SKIP NEUTRINO DECOUPLE as Hot DM A worked-out exercise Neutrinos are kept in thermal equilibrium by scattering (weak interaction): $A+\overline{A} \twoheadrightarrow \gamma + \gamma$ Show at last scattering surface Optical depth $\tau = \int_{0}^{z} \sigma v \eta n_{ph}(z) \frac{dt}{dz} dz$ $v + e^- \Leftrightarrow v + e^ \sim \int_{0}^{z} \sigma v \eta (1+z)^{3} \frac{d(1+z)^{-n/2}}{dz} dz$ $\sim \int_0^{\infty} \sigma v \eta (1+z)^r \frac{dz}{dz} dz$ $\sim \sigma v \eta (1+z)^{3-a/2} \sim \sigma v \eta T^{3-a/2} \sim 1$. This interaction freezes out when the temperature drops to kT_u
 -MeV- rest mass electrons
 - Because very few electron-positions left afterwards (they become photons)
 - Neutrinos Move without scattering by electrons after 1 sec. where n=4 for radiation era. Given that Freeze-out fraction $\eta \sim \exp(-\frac{\Delta mc^2}{kT})$ Argue that Neutrinos have Relativistic speeds while freezing out and assume decouple at kT~mc²/ln(1/ η), kT_v >> rest mass of neutrinos(~eV) They are called Hot Dark Matter (HDM) Argue cosmic abundance $\Omega \sim \eta m \sim T^{-1}m/(\sigma v) \sim (\sigma v)^{-1}$ AS 4022 Cosmology AS 4022 Cosmology 60 59















































$$\frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \delta_{D} \\ \delta_{B} \\ \tilde{\delta}_{r} \end{pmatrix} + 2H(t) \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \delta_{D} \\ \delta_{B} \\ \tilde{\delta}_{r} \end{pmatrix} + k^{2} \begin{pmatrix} c_{s,D}^{2} \delta_{D} \\ c_{s,B}^{2} \delta_{B} \\ c_{s,r}^{2} \tilde{\delta}_{r} \end{pmatrix} = \nabla^{2} \Psi = -k^{2} \Psi$$

• Where ψ is the perturbation in the gravitational potential, with SKIp SKIP SKIP $\Psi_{x,t} \propto \Psi(t) \exp(i\vec{k}.\vec{x})$
 $\Psi = 4\pi G \delta \rho_{D} + 4\pi G \delta \rho_{B} + 8\pi G \delta \rho_{r}$
 $= 4\pi G \rho_{crit} \times [\Omega_{D} \delta_{D} + \Omega_{B} \delta_{B} + 2\Omega_{r} \delta_{r}]$



















Tutorial

- Consider a micro-cosmos of N-ants inhabiting an expanding sphere of radius $R=R_0$ (tt_0)^a, where presently we are at $t=t_0$ =1year, $R=R_0$ =1m. Let q=1/2, N=100, and the ants has a cross-length σ =1cm for collision. Let each ant keep its random angular momentum per unit mass J=1m*1(m/yr) with respect to the centre of the sphere.
 - What is the present rate of expansion dR/dt/R = in units of 1/yr, How does the ant random speed, ant surface density, change as function of cosmic time?

 - Light emitted by ant-B travels a half circle and reaches ant-A now, what redshift was the light emitted? What is the probability that the ant-A would encounter another ant from time t, to time t₂. How long has it travelled? Calculate assume t₁ =1/2 yr, t₂ =2yr.

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E.g.

- As in previous universe but with n=3, Argue that the horizon of a non-relativistic moving ant at time t=1yr is also finite.
- Assuming the ant moves with 1cm/sec now, but was faster earlier on, estimate the age of universe when it was moving relativistically? Estimate how much it has moved from time zero to t=1 yr. What fraction of the length was in the relativistic phase?

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 Show the age of the universe is t=1sec at z~10¹⁰; assume crudely that at matter-radiation equality $z=10^3$ and age t =10⁶ yr Argue that a void in universe now originates from an underdense perturbation at z=1010 with δ about 10-17. The edge of the void are lined up by galaxies. What direction is their peculiar gravity and peculiar motion? A patch of sky is presently hotter in CMB by 3 micro Kelvin than average. How much was it hotter than average at the last scattering (z=1000)?

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