Updated Cosmology

with Python



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Homework 6

HW: Compute
$$R$$
 and G
Hint:

$$R = 6 \left[\frac{\ddot{R}}{R} + \left(\frac{\dot{R}}{R} \right)^2 + \frac{c^2 k}{R^2} \right]$$

$$G_0^0 = -3 \left[\left(\frac{\dot{R}}{R} \right)^2 + \frac{c^2 k}{R^2} \right], \qquad (60)$$

$$G_j^i = - \left[2 \frac{\ddot{R}}{R} + \left(\frac{\dot{R}}{R} \right)^2 + \frac{c^2 k}{R^2} \right] \delta_j^i. \qquad (61)$$

HW: Compute the Kretschmann scalar for a FRW spacetime.

3.- We start by assuming the components of the Universe behave as perfect fluids and hence described by a barotropic equation of state $p_i = (\gamma_i - 1)\rho_i c^2$, where γ_i describes each fluid: radiation ($\gamma_r = 4/3$), baryonic and dark matter ($\gamma_m = 1$), and dark energy in the form of cosmological constant ($\gamma_{\Lambda} = 0$). Once we introduce the dimensionless *density parameters*, defined as

$$\Omega_i = \frac{\kappa_0}{3H^2} \rho_i,\tag{62}$$

a) Show that the continuity equations (for all the fluids i) can be written as a dynamical system



Figure 6: The evolution of the density parameters $\Omega_i(a)$.

with the following form:

$$\Omega_i' = 3(\Pi - \gamma_i)\Omega_i,\tag{63}$$

with $\Pi = \sum_{i} \gamma_{i} \Omega_{i}$, and prime notation means derivative with respect to the e-fold parameter $N = \ln(a)$.

b) Also, show that the Friedmann equation becomes a constraint for the density parameters at all time $\sum_{i} \Omega_{i} = 1$.

c) Considering the initial conditions $(a = 1) \ \Omega_{r,0} = 10^{-4}, \ \Omega_{m,0} = 0.3, \ \Omega_{k,0} = -0.01, \ H_0 = 68 \text{kms}^{-1} \text{Mpc}$, with cosmological constant, solve explicitly the dynamical system (63) [hint: use odeint], along with the Friedmann constraint to get the following plot [hint: use matplotlib].

d) The deceleration parameter is computed in terms of the contents of the universe, as $q = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i} \Omega_i (1 + 3w_i)$. Use the solutions from above to plot q(z), where 1 + z = 1/a.

4) A step further to the standard model is to consider the dark energy being dynamic, where the evolution of its EoS is usually parameterised. A commonly used form of w(z) is to take into account the next contribution of a Taylor expansion in terms of the scale factor $w(a) = w_0 + (1-a)w_a$ or in terms of redshift $w(z) = w_0 + \frac{z}{1+z}w_a$; we refer to this model as CPL.



Figure 7: Deceleration parameter q(z) as a function of redshift z for a multi-fluid universe. Notice that the universe is currently accelerating (q(z = 0) < 0).

The parameters w_0 and w_a are real numbers such that at the present epoch $w|_{z=0} = w_0$ and $dw/dz|_{z=0} = -w_a$; we recover Λ CDM when $w_0 = -1$ and $w_a = 0$. a) Show the Friedmann equation for the CPL parameterisation turns out to be:

$$\frac{H(z)^2}{H_0^2} = \Omega_{m,0}(1+z)^3 + \Omega_{k,0}(1+z)^2 + (1 - \Omega_{m,0} - \Omega_{k,0})(1+z)^{3(1+w_0+w_a)}e^{-\frac{3w_az}{1+z}}.$$

b) Repeat the same process in a), but now use the equation of state $w(z) = w_0 + w_a ln(1+z)$