

Friedmann's Equation (1922)

$$\dot{R}^2 - \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho R^2 = -kc^2$$

Although it was deduced from Einstein's field equations, it can also be deduced from Newtonian gravity.

Consider a sphere about some arbitrary point, such that the radius is $R(t)$.

homogeneity $\Rightarrow \nabla \rho = 0$

Isotropy $\Rightarrow \nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 3H = 3\frac{\dot{R}}{R}$

From Newton's equation of motion

$$\ddot{R} = -GM/R^2 \Rightarrow \dot{R}\ddot{R} = -GM\dot{R}/R^2 \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{1}{2} \dot{R}^2 - \frac{GM}{R} \right] = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \dot{R}^2 - \frac{4}{3} \pi G \rho R^2 = C \Rightarrow \dot{R}^2 - \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho R^2 = -kc^2 \quad \text{where } \rho \text{ has contributions from matter, radiation and vacuum energy}$$

$$\dot{R}^2 - \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho R^2 - \frac{\Lambda c^2}{3} R^2 = -kc^2$$

where ρ has only contributions due to matter and radiation

(following M. Plionis' notes or Peacock 1999)

Friedmann's Acceleration Equation (1922)

$$\ddot{R} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3} R(\rho + 3p/c^2)$$

Deriving $\dot{R}^2 - \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho R^2 = -kc^2$

Conservation of energy $d(\rho c^2 R^3) = -pd(R^3)$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{R} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3} R(\rho + 3p/c^2)$$

$$\ddot{R} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3} R(\rho + 3p/c^2) + \frac{\Lambda c^2}{3}$$

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General Relativity

The basic equations of **General Relativity** are **Einstein's Field Equations**:

$$R_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} g_{ij} \mathcal{R} = 8\pi G T_{ij} + \Lambda g_{ij} \quad (13.1)$$

- R_{ij} : Ricci tensor ($R_{ij} = R_{ij}(g_{ij})$) \leftrightarrow space–time curvature
- g_{ij} : metric tensor \leftrightarrow space–time distances $ds^2 = g_{ij} dx^i dx^j$
- \mathcal{R} : Ricci scalar ($\mathcal{R} = g^{ik} R_{ik}$) \leftrightarrow space–time curvature
- G : gravitational constant
- T_{ij} : energy–momentum tensor \leftrightarrow mass, energy, ...
- Λ : cosmological constant

The Field Equations connect the energy (and thus mass) distribution in space to its geometrical properties (curvature).

For details see e.g. Weinberg, *Gravitation and Cosmology*, J. Wiley 1972, or Misner, Thorne, & Wheeler, *Gravitation*, Freeman 1970.

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13.3 The Friedmann Equations

The geometry of a homogeneous and isotropic universe is described by the g_{ij} of the Robertson–Walker metric (13.2). In order to obtain a solution for the *dynamics* of the universe, the Ricci tensor needs to be calculated from the g_{ij} and the field equations have to be solved for an energy momentum tensor reflecting a homogeneous distribution of mass. For a perfect homogeneous fluid T_{ij} takes the simple form:

$$T_{ij} = \frac{1}{c^2} \begin{pmatrix} \varrho c^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -p & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -p & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -p \end{pmatrix}$$

with the density ϱ and the pressure p .

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Inserting g_{ij} , R_{ij} and T_{ij} in the field equations (13.1) yields the two **Friedmann equations**:

$$\ddot{R} = -\frac{4\pi G R}{3} \left(\varrho + 3\frac{p}{c} \right) + \frac{1}{3} \Lambda R \quad (13.5)$$

$$\dot{R}^2 = \frac{8\pi G \varrho}{3} R^2 + \frac{1}{3} \Lambda R^2 - \frac{c^2}{R_{c,0}^2} \quad (13.6)$$

These equations govern the dynamical evolution of the universe (i.e. the time evolution of the scale factor $R(t)$). The Friedmann equations connect this evolution to the intrinsic properties (density ϱ , pressure p , cosmological constant Λ , curvature radius $R_{c,0}$ today) of the universe.

Cosmological Parameters 1

For a flat Universe $k=0$ with no cosmological parameter $\Lambda=0$

$$\dot{R}^2 - \frac{8\pi G}{3}\rho R^2 - \frac{\Lambda c^2}{3}R^2 = -kc^2 \Rightarrow \left(H^2 - \frac{8\pi G}{3}\rho\right)R^2 = 0$$

$$\rho_c = \frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G} = 1.88 \times 10^{-29} h^2 \text{ gcm}^{-3}$$

where $h \equiv H_0/100 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$. The **critical density** is the density necessary to have a flat Universe.

The density of the Universe is often expressed as the density parameter

$$\Omega = \frac{\rho}{\rho_c}$$

(following M. Plionis' notes or Peacock 1999)

Einstein-de Sitter Universe (1932)

This is a universe with $\Omega_m = 1$, $\Omega_\Lambda = 0$, i.e. the universe is Euclidean:

$$\dot{R}^2 = \frac{8\pi G \rho}{3} R^2$$

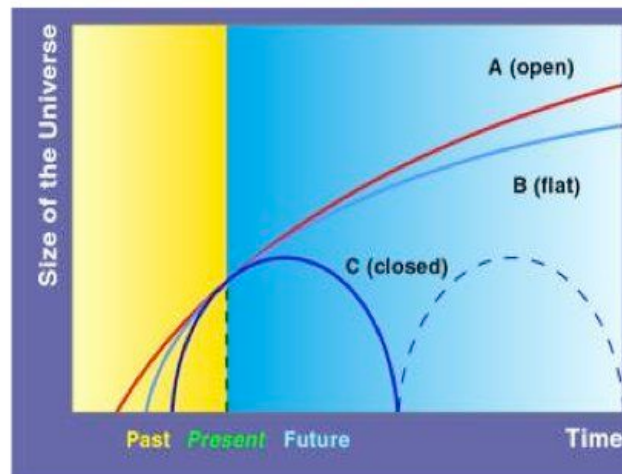
which can be integrated and yields:

$$R^{1/2} dR = \left(\frac{8\pi G \rho_0}{3} \right)^{1/2} dt \quad \rho = \rho_0 R^{-3}$$

Using the definition of Ω_m (13.8) and considering that we assumed $\Omega_m = 1$, we have $H_0^2 = (8\pi G \rho_0)/3$ and thus:

$$R = \left(\frac{3}{2} H_0 t \right)^{2/3} \quad (p = 0, \Lambda = 0, \Omega_m = 1)$$

R



$$\leftarrow R \propto t^{2/3}$$

(R. Benders' notes)

Equations of state

$$\rho \propto R^{-3(1+w)}$$

In general $p=w<v^2>\rho$

For a matter dominated universe: $\rho \propto R^{-3}$, $p=0$, $w=0$ (dust approximation)

For a radiation dominated universe (photons have the E reduced by R^{-1}):
 $\rho \propto R^{-4}$, $p=1/3$ ρc^2 , $w=1/3$

For a vacuum dominated universe $\rho=\text{constant}$, $w=-1$

Friedmann's Equation rewritten: parameters 2

$$\dot{R}^2 - \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho R^2 = -kc^2 \Rightarrow \left(H^2 - \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho \right) R^2 = -kc^2 / R^2$$

$$\dot{R}^2 - \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho R^2 - \frac{\Lambda c^2}{3} R^2 = -kc^2 \Rightarrow \frac{\dot{R}}{R} = H_0 \left[\Omega_m (1+z)^3 + \Omega_r (1+z)^4 + \Omega_k (1+z)^2 + \Omega_\Lambda \right]^{1/2}$$

$$\text{where } \Omega_\Lambda \equiv \frac{\Lambda c^2}{3H_0^2}, \Omega_k \equiv \frac{-kc^2}{R_o^2 H_o^2}$$

$$\text{and } \Omega_\Lambda + \Omega_k + \Omega_m + \Omega_r = 1$$

$$H(z) = H_0 E(z)$$

(following M. Plionis' notes or Peacock 1999)

Cosmological Parameters 3

$$q \equiv -\frac{\ddot{R}R}{\dot{R}^2}$$

From a Taylor's expansion

$$R(t) = R_0 + \dot{R}_0(t - t_0) + \frac{1}{2}\ddot{R}_0(t - t_0)^2 + \dots$$

$$R(t)/R_0 = 1 + H_0(t - t_0) - \frac{q_0}{2}H_0^2(t - t_0)^2 + \dots$$

For a matter dominated $\Lambda=0$ universe the deceleration constant is another classical cosmological parameter.

$$\ddot{R} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3}R(\rho + 3p/c^2) \Rightarrow q_0 = \Omega_m/2$$

(following M. Plionis' notes or Peacock 1999)

The age of the Universe

Using $H(z) = H_0 E(z)$ at the present epoch, we have $\dot{R}/R_0 = H_0 E(z)/(1+z)$ and from

$$R \propto (1+z)^{-1} \Rightarrow dR/R_0 = -dz/(1+z)^2 \Rightarrow dt = \frac{-1}{H_0} \frac{dz}{E(z)(1+z)} \quad (25)$$

we obtain the age of the Universe:

$$\boxed{t_0 = \frac{1}{H_0} \int_0^\infty \frac{dz}{(1+z)E(z)}} \quad (26)$$

For example, in an *Einstein-de Sitter* universe ($\Omega_\Lambda = \Omega_k = 0$) we have:

$$t_0 = \frac{2}{3H_0} \quad (27)$$

while for a $\Omega_\Lambda > 0$ model we obtain:

$$t_0^\Lambda = \frac{2}{3H_0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Omega_\Lambda}} \sinh^{-1} \left[\sqrt{\frac{\Omega_\Lambda}{\Omega_m}} \right] \quad (28)$$

We therefore see that if $\Omega_\Lambda > 0$ we have that the age of the Universe is larger than what is predicted in an Einstein-de Sitter Universe.

(following M. Plionis' notes)

The age of the Universe

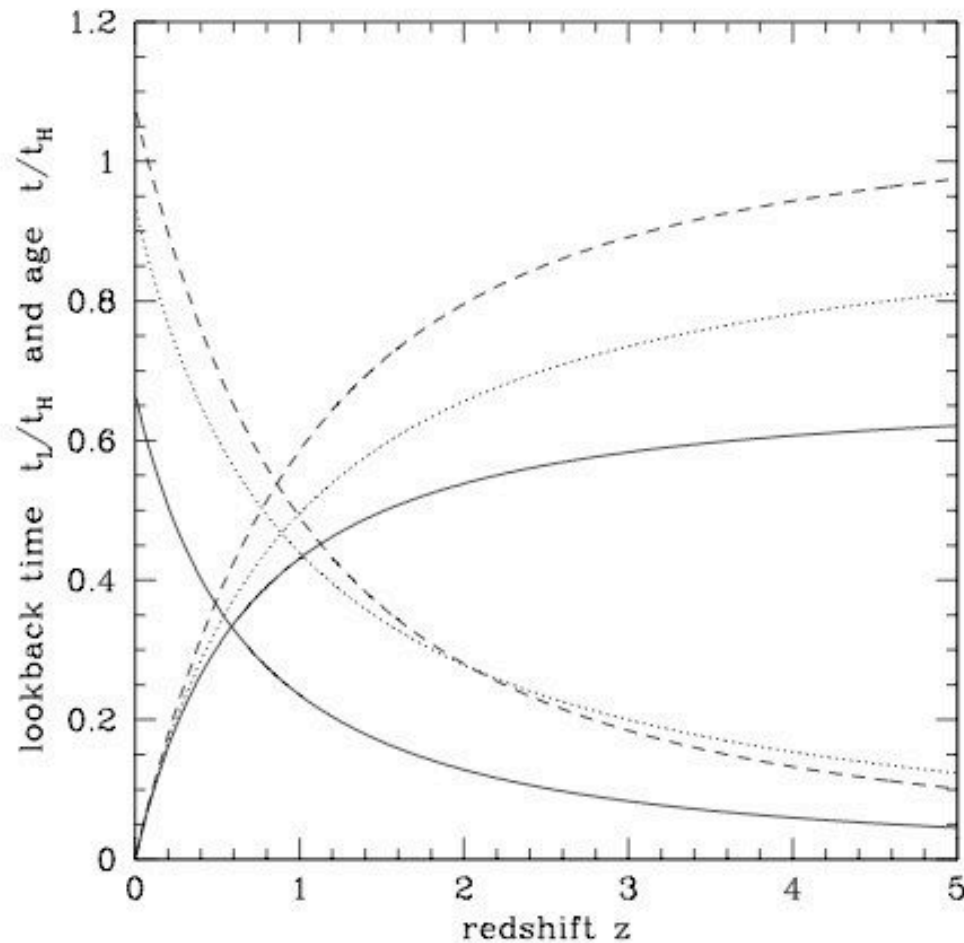
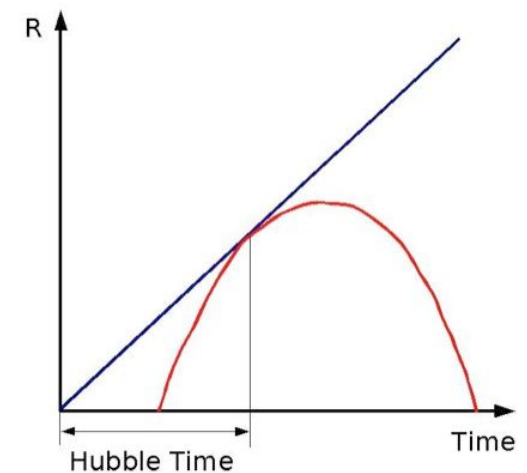


Figure 6: The dimensionless lookback time t_L/t_H and age t/t_H . Curves cross at the redshift at which the Universe is half its present age. The three curves are for the three world models, $(\Omega_M, \Omega_\Lambda) = (1, 0)$, solid; $(0.05, 0)$, dotted; and $(0.2, 0.8)$, dashed.

$t_H \equiv 1/H_0$ Hubble time =
 $3.09 \times 10^{17} h^{-1} \text{ s} =$
 $9.80 \times 10^9 h^{-1} \text{ yr}$



$$t_L = t_H \int \frac{dz}{(1+z)E(z)}$$

(Hogg 1999, astro-ph/9905116)