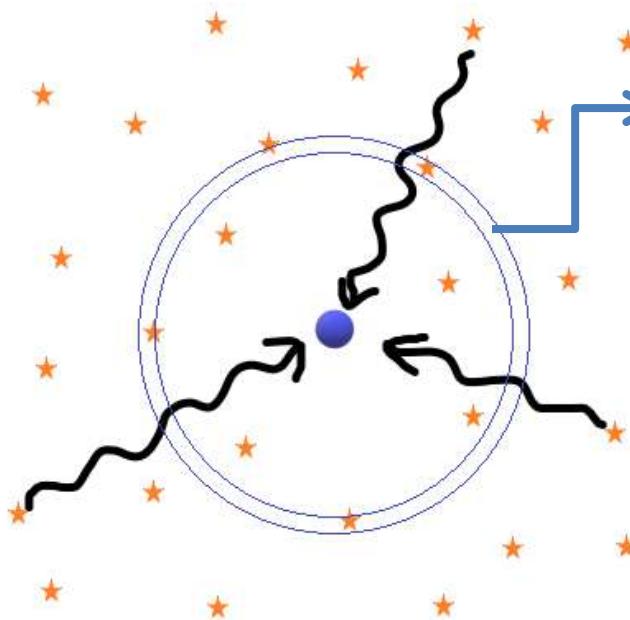


# Introductory Cosmology

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# Problems with Newtonian Cosmology

- Gravity attracts, mass should clump, universe should be dynamical → infinite universe as solution, i.e. no center to collapse to!
- Olber paradox → infinite universe forever exists has infinite radiation flux at any point!!



Light flux received from this shell =  $A \frac{L_0}{4\pi r^2} 4\pi r^2 n dr$

$L_0$  = luminosity of each star,  $n$  = number density of star,  
 $A$  = cross section of e.g. Earth

$$\text{Total flux} = A \int_0^{r_U} \frac{L_0}{4\pi r^2} 4\pi r^2 n dr = nAL_0 r_U$$

$r_U$  = radius of Universe



Space is dark → Finite Universe with finite age!

- Infinite Universe existing ever forever must be utterly dark(run out of fuel), full of black holes.
- Finite Universe existing ever forever must have collapsed completely into single gigantic black hole.
- Alternatives emerge in General Relativity(GR);  
Closed, Flat, Open dynamical Universe

## Hubble discoveries

- Using Cepheids' Period-Luminosity relation discovered by Henrietta Leavitt, establish that spiral “nebulae” are *spiral galaxies*! Hence Universe size is hundreds thousand times larger than believed at that time.
- (1929) Found linear relation between redshift&distance of far away galaxies,

$$z \equiv \frac{\lambda_o - \lambda_s}{\lambda_s} = \frac{\lambda_o}{\lambda_s} - 1, \quad v(z \approx zc) = Kd$$

- This is called Hubble law, will derive later from FLRW metric.

# GR → spacetime lump = Universe

- Gravity = Spacetime curvature =  $\kappa$  energy&momentum density.
- Matter tells spacetime how to curve,  
Spacetime tells matter how to move.  $\kappa = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4}$  = unit conversion factor

$$G_{ab} = R_{ab} - \frac{1}{2} R g_{ab} + \Lambda g_{ab} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} T_{ab}$$

Where *Ricci tensor*  $R_{ab} = R^c_{acb}$  and the *Riemann curvature tensor* is given by

$$R^\rho{}_{\sigma\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu \Gamma^\rho{}_{\nu\sigma} - \partial_\nu \Gamma^\rho{}_{\mu\sigma} + \Gamma^\rho{}_{\mu\lambda} \Gamma^\lambda{}_{\nu\sigma} - \Gamma^\rho{}_{\nu\lambda} \Gamma^\lambda{}_{\mu\sigma}$$

The *energy-momentum tensor*  $T_{ab}$  contains info of matter  
And energy distribution.

$$\Gamma^\mu_{\alpha\beta} \equiv \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\lambda} (\partial_\alpha g_{\beta\lambda} + \partial_\beta g_{\alpha\lambda} - \partial_\lambda g_{\alpha\beta})$$

## Two more curvatures

- Ricci tensor:  $R_{ab} = R^d_{adb} = -R^d_{abd},$

$$R_{ab} = R_{ba}$$

- Ricci scalar:  $R = R_a^a$

- Ex: sphere  $S^2$ ,  $\{g_{ab}\} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a^2 \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix}$

(Use Mathematica to) compute

$$R^\phi_{\theta\phi\theta} = 1, R^\theta_{\phi\theta\phi} = \sin^2 \theta,$$

$$R_{\theta\theta} = 1, R_{\phi\phi} = \sin^2 \theta,$$

$$R = \frac{2}{a^2}$$

- Hyperbolic  $H^2$ ,

$\sin \Rightarrow \sinh,$

$$R = -\frac{2}{a^2}$$

# Cosmological principle(Newton&Einstein)

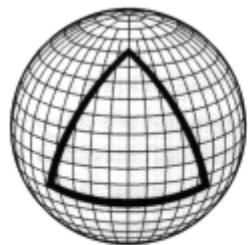
- Homogeneous universe: uniform and is the same everywhere
- Isotropic universe: is the same in every direction
- Homogeneity implies no special point in universe. Combined with Isotropy implies that there can't be special direction(*anisotropy*) and special observer in the universe.

# FLRW metric ansatz

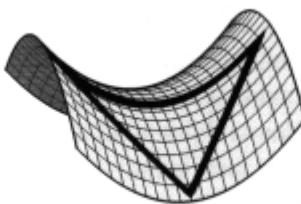
- Friedmann was the first (1922), most generic metric obeying cosmological principle

$$ds^2 = c^2 dt^2 - R^2(t)(f^2(r)dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega); \quad d\Omega = d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2$$

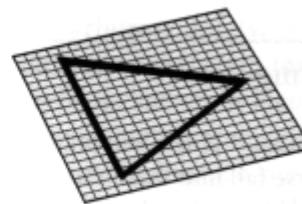
- From homogeneity, we demand that  $R_{3D} = \frac{6k}{R^2(t)}$



Positive Curvature



Negative Curvature



Flat Curvature

$$k > 0$$

$$k < 0$$

$$k = 0$$

Picture from <https://pages.uoregon.edu/jschombe/cosmo/lectures/lec15.html>

# 3D shape of Universe

- (Use Mathematica to) compute

$$R_{3D} = \frac{1}{f^2(r)r^2 R^2(t)} \left( 2(f^2 - 1) + 4r \frac{f'}{f} \right) = \frac{6k}{R^2(t)}$$

- We can solve to obtain  $f(r) = (1 - kr^2)^{-1/2}$
- By redefining  $r \rightarrow r\sqrt{k}, R(t) \rightarrow R(t)\sqrt{k},$

$$ds^2 = c^2 dt^2 - R^2(t) \left( \frac{dr^2}{1 - kr^2} + r^2 d\Omega^2 \right), k = 1, 0, -1$$

- Hubble law is natural.

$$\vec{r} = \varpi_r R(t), \vec{v} = \varpi_r \dot{R}(t) = \frac{\dot{R}(t)}{R(t)} \varpi_r R(t) \equiv H\vec{r},$$

Cosmological Principle obeyed:

$$\vec{v}_{12} = (\varpi_{r1} - \varpi_{r2}) \dot{R}(t) = H(\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2) = H\vec{r}_{12}$$

# Solve Einstein eqn. from this metric

$$G_{ab} = R_{ab} - \frac{1}{2} R g_{ab} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} T_{ab}$$

$$G_{00} = R_{00} - \frac{g_{00}}{2} R(ricci) = 3 \left( \frac{k}{R^2(t)} + H^2 \right), H = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}$$

$$G_{rr} = R_{rr} - \frac{g_{rr}}{2} R(ricci) = -\frac{1}{1-kr^2} (1 + \dot{R}^2 + 2R\ddot{R}),$$

Rests are redundant to  $(rr)$ -component.

- Assume perfect fluid:  $T^{ab} = \left( \rho + \frac{P}{c^2} \right) u^a u^b - P g^{ab}$ ,  $u^a = (c, \vec{0})$  in comoving frame
- Will use Mathematica to compute later.
- Note the relation in FLRW metric:  $z = \frac{\lambda_O}{\lambda_S} - 1$ ,  $\frac{R_0}{R} = 1+z$

# Einstein field eqn. of FLRW metric

$$(tt\text{-component}); \quad \left(\frac{\dot{R}}{R}\right)^2 + \frac{k}{R^2} = \frac{8}{3}\pi G\rho$$

Friedmann equation

$$(rr\text{-component \&} tt\text{-component}); \quad \frac{\ddot{R}}{R} = -\frac{4}{3}\pi G(\rho + 3P)$$

Acceleration equation

- Another redundant eqn. from

$$T_{b;a}^a = 0 \Rightarrow \dot{\rho} = -\frac{3\dot{R}}{R}(\rho + P) ; \text{conservation eqn.}$$

- Observe that accelerated expansion requires

$$P < -\frac{\rho}{3}$$

Dark Energy

# Linear equation of state

- To solve for 3 unknown  $P, \rho, R(t)$ , we still need what-so-called Equation of State (EoS), i.e., additional info about  $P, \rho$
- For compact object, it could be polytrope  $P = \rho^n$ , or even  $P = P(\mu, T), \rho = \rho(\mu, T)$
- But for cosmology, it suffices(?) to assume linear EoS  $P = w\rho$

- Sub into conservation eqn. to obtain

$$\frac{\rho}{\rho_0} = \left( \frac{R_0}{R} \right)^{3(1+w)}$$

- Sub into Friedmann eqn. to obtain

$$R(t) \sim t^{\frac{2}{3(1+w)}} \quad \text{for } w \neq -1,$$

$$R(t) \sim e^{Ht} \quad \text{for } w = -1$$

# 3 main **eras** of Universe

- **radiation-dominated:**  $w_r = \frac{1}{3}, \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} = \left(\frac{R_0}{R}\right)^4, R \sim t^{1/2}$   
extremely hot so that most particles can be treated relativistically.
- **matter-dominated:**  $w_m = 0, \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} = \left(\frac{R_0}{R}\right)^3, R \sim t^{2/3}$   
cold enough to treat as non-relativistic particle → simplified to “dust”.
- **Dark energy dominated:**  $w_{DE} \simeq -1, \rho \simeq \rho_\Lambda, R \sim e^{H_\Lambda t}$   
roughly 8 billion years ago until present, accelerated expansion of Universe.
- Density parameter: From Observations,

$$\Omega_i(t) \equiv \frac{\rho_i(t)}{\rho_c(t)} = \frac{8\pi G}{3H^2} \rho_i; \rho_c \equiv \text{critical density for flat Universe}; \Omega_{total} \simeq 1 (k \simeq 0, \text{flat})$$

$$\Omega_{DM,0} \simeq 0.26, \Omega_{b,0} \simeq 0.05, \Omega_{r,0} \simeq 10^{-5}, \Omega_{DE,0} = 0.68 \text{ (present)}$$

## Another era, **curvature** era

- Even though (non-normalized)  $k$  is close to 0, there is error bar, so there could be a slight **spatial curvature** in the Universe!
- Curvature effects emerge at later time:

$$\left(\frac{\dot{R}}{R}\right)^2 + \frac{k}{R^2} = \frac{8}{3}\pi G\rho = \frac{8}{3}\pi G \sum_{i=b,m,r,DE,\dots} \rho_{i,0} \left(\frac{R_0}{R}\right)^{3(1+w)},$$

For  $w > -\frac{1}{3}$ , at large  $R$ , curvature term dominates.

- **Non DE** effects will fade away as Universe evolves. So *curvature* could dominate (or important) *between matter-era and DE-era* → One possible proposal for *Hubble tension* solution.

# Friedmann eqn. in density parameters

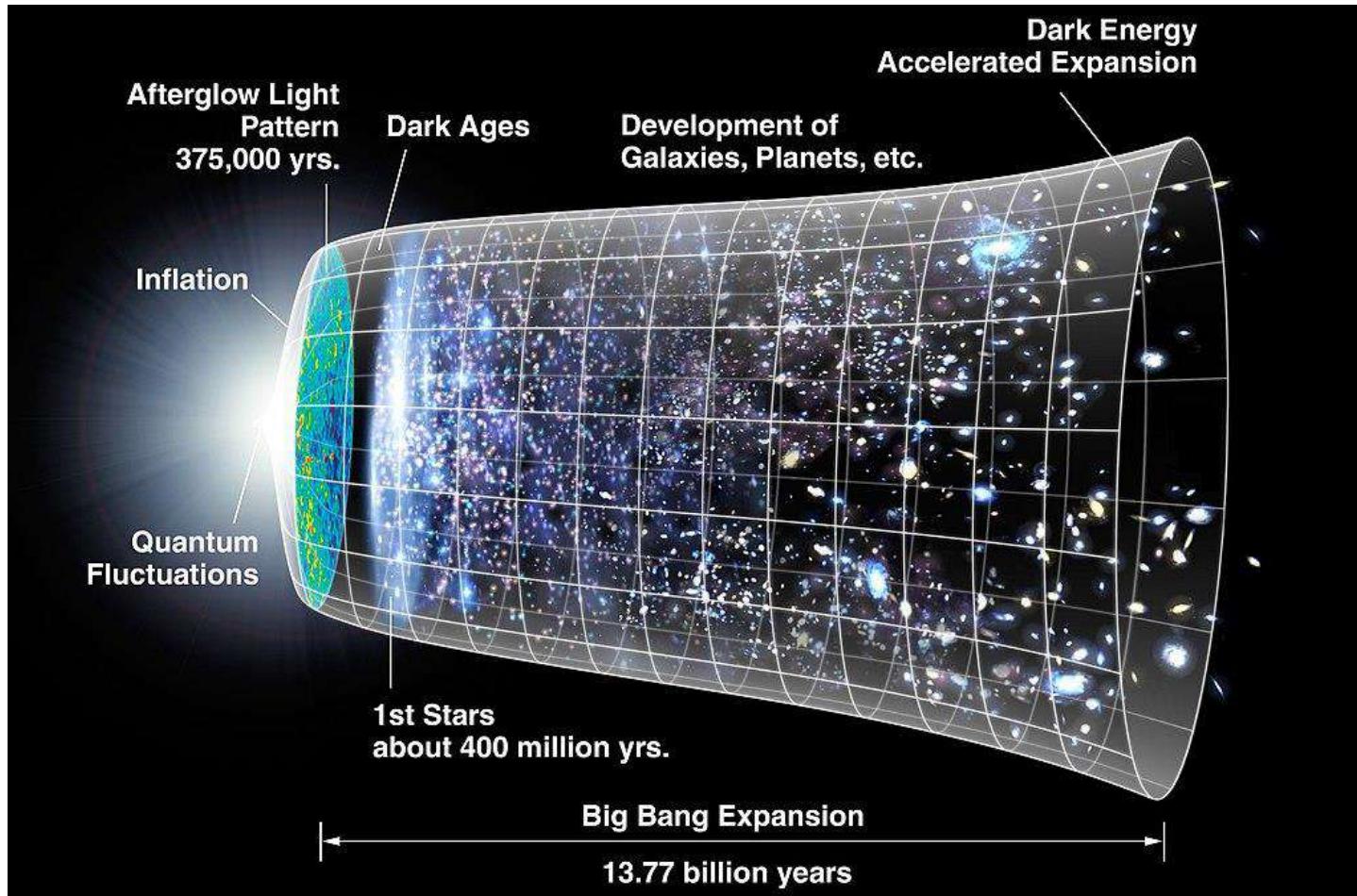
- Generalized form of Friedmann:

$$H^2 = H_0^2 \left( \sum_{i=...} \Omega_{i,0} R^{-3(1+w_i)} + (1 - \Omega_0) R^{-2} \right) = H_0^2 \left( \sum_{i=...,k} \Omega_{i,0} R^{-3(1+w_i)} \right)$$

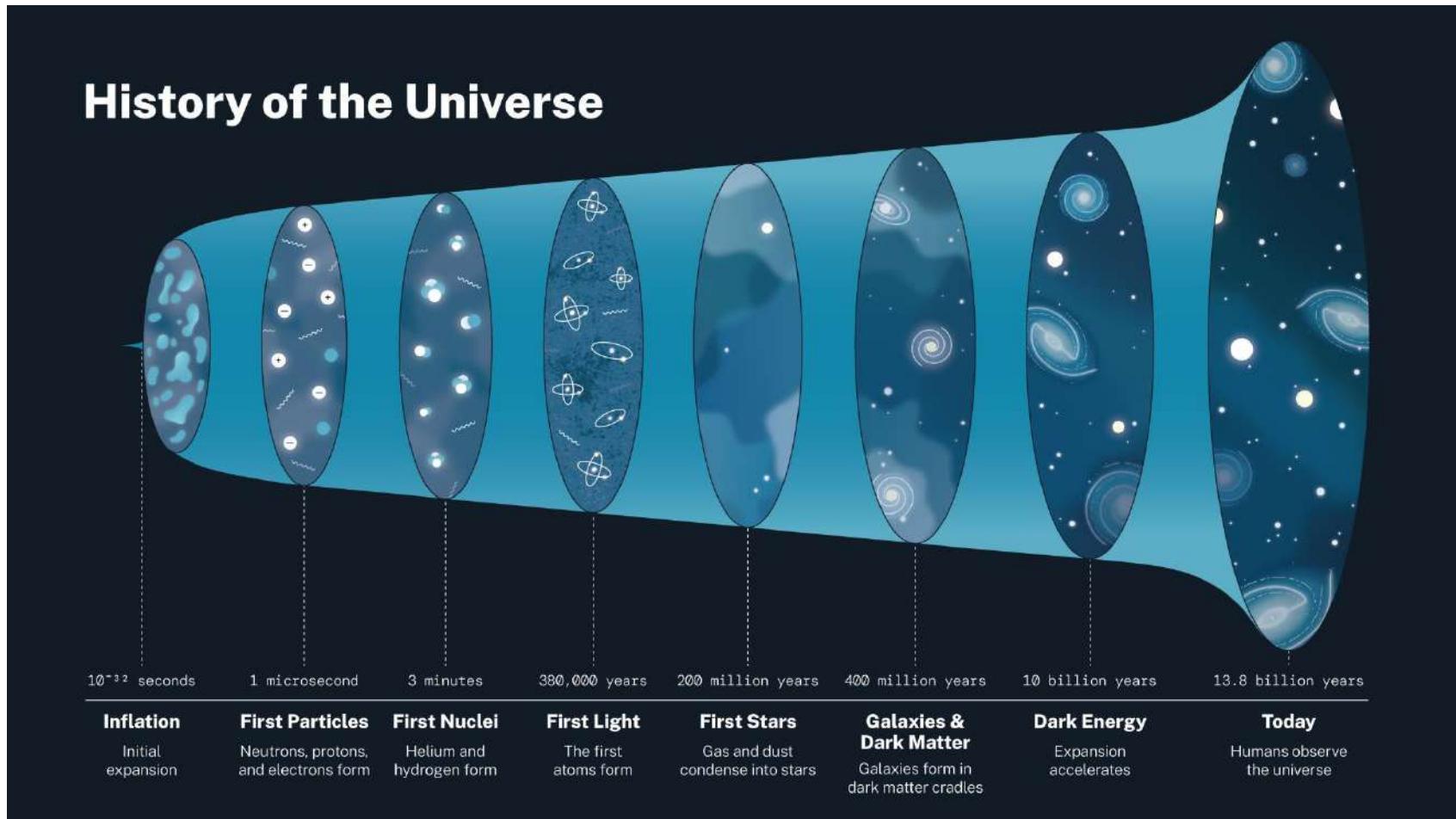
where  $\Omega_{k,0} \equiv 1 - \Omega_0 = -\frac{k}{H_0^2}$ ,  $w_k = -\frac{1}{3}$

- Quite interesting that *curvature* lies at boundary between DE and non DE, **not** accelerate **nor** decelerate the expansion of the Universe.

# Universe as a horn!



# Stretched horn!

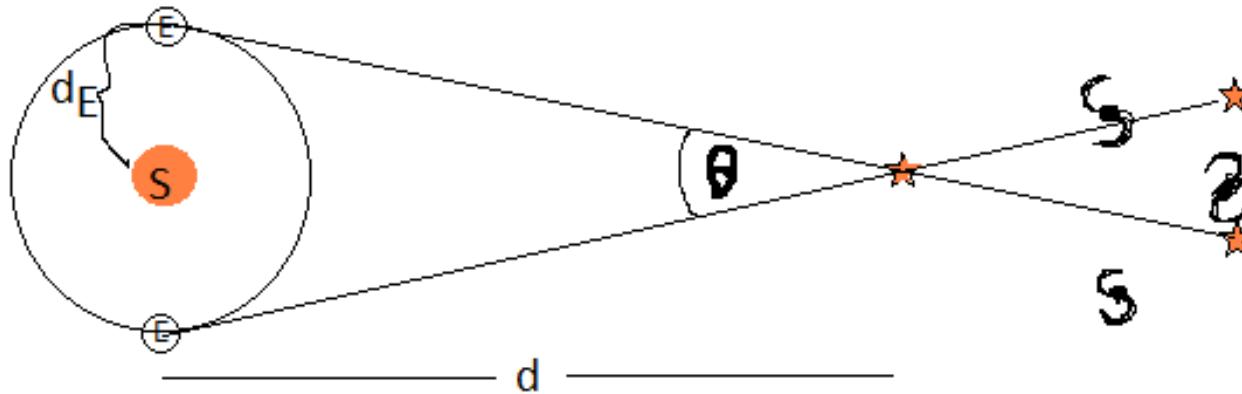


Credit:<https://cmb.winthernscoming.no/pdfs/baumann.pdf>

Event	time $t$	redshift $z$	temperature $T$
Inflation	$10^{-34}$ s (?)	—	—
Baryogenesis	?	?	?
EW phase transition	20 ps	$10^{15}$	100 GeV
QCD phase transition	20 $\mu$ s	$10^{12}$	150 MeV
Dark matter freeze-out	?	?	?
Neutrino decoupling	1 s	$6 \times 10^9$	1 MeV
Electron-positron annihilation	6 s	$2 \times 10^9$	500 keV
Big Bang nucleosynthesis	3 min	$4 \times 10^8$	100 keV
Matter-radiation equality	60 kyr	3400	0.75 eV
Recombination	260–380 kyr	1100–1400	0.26–0.33 eV
Photon decoupling	380 kyr	1000–1200	0.23–0.28 eV
Reionization	100–400 Myr	11–30	2.6–7.0 meV
Dark energy-matter equality	9 Gyr	0.4	0.33 meV
Present	13.8 Gyr	0	0.24 meV

# Distances in cosmology

1. Parallax: astrophysically short distances determined by parallax.



$$\frac{\theta}{2} \approx \frac{d_E}{d}, \quad d_E = 1 \text{ A.U.} = 1.496 \times 10^8 \text{ km},$$

1 parsec  $\equiv d$  when  $\frac{\theta}{2} = 1 \text{ arcseconds} = 1/3600 \text{ degrees}$ ,

$$1 \text{ pc} = 3.2616 \text{ lyrs}$$

- Hipparcos satellite (ESA):  $\theta \approx 7 - 9 \times 10^{-4} \text{ arcseconds}$ ,  
 $d \geq 100 \text{ pc}$  possible!

# Distances in cosmology

apparent luminosity  $\ell = \frac{L}{4\pi d^2}$ ,  $L$  = absolute luminosity,

apparent magnitude  $m - m_0 = -2.5 \log_{10} \left( \frac{\ell}{\ell_0} \right)$ ,

$m - M = 5(\log_{10} d - 1)$ ;  $d$  in parsec,

absolute magnitude  $M$  defined at 10 pc.

- For  $z > 0.1$ , cosmological expansion *non-negligible*, how to determine distances at large  $z$  ??
- 1. At time  $t_0$  that light reaches Earth, **proper area** seen by source is  $4\pi r_1^2 R^2(t_0)$ ,  $r_1$  = coord. distance between Earth&source

# Distances in cosmology

2. Arrival rate of photons is lower than emitted rate by

$$3. \quad E_{\text{received } \gamma} = E_{\text{emitted } \gamma} \frac{R(t)}{R(t_0)} = E_{\text{emitted } \gamma} \left( \frac{1}{1+z} \right)$$

Therefore,  $\ell = \frac{L}{4\pi r_1^2 R_0^2 (1+z)^2} \equiv \frac{L}{4\pi d_L^2},$

$d_L = r_1 R_0 (1+z)$ , luminosity distance

- For light travels radially since

$$ds^2 = c^2 dt^2 - R^2(t) \left( \frac{dr^2}{1-kr^2} + r^2 d\Omega^2 \right), k=1,0,-1$$

$$\int_0^{r_1} \frac{dr}{\sqrt{1-kr^2}} = \int_0^t \frac{dt}{R(t)} = \int_{R_0}^R \frac{dR}{R\dot{R}} = \int_z^0 \frac{1}{H(z)R_0} dz,$$

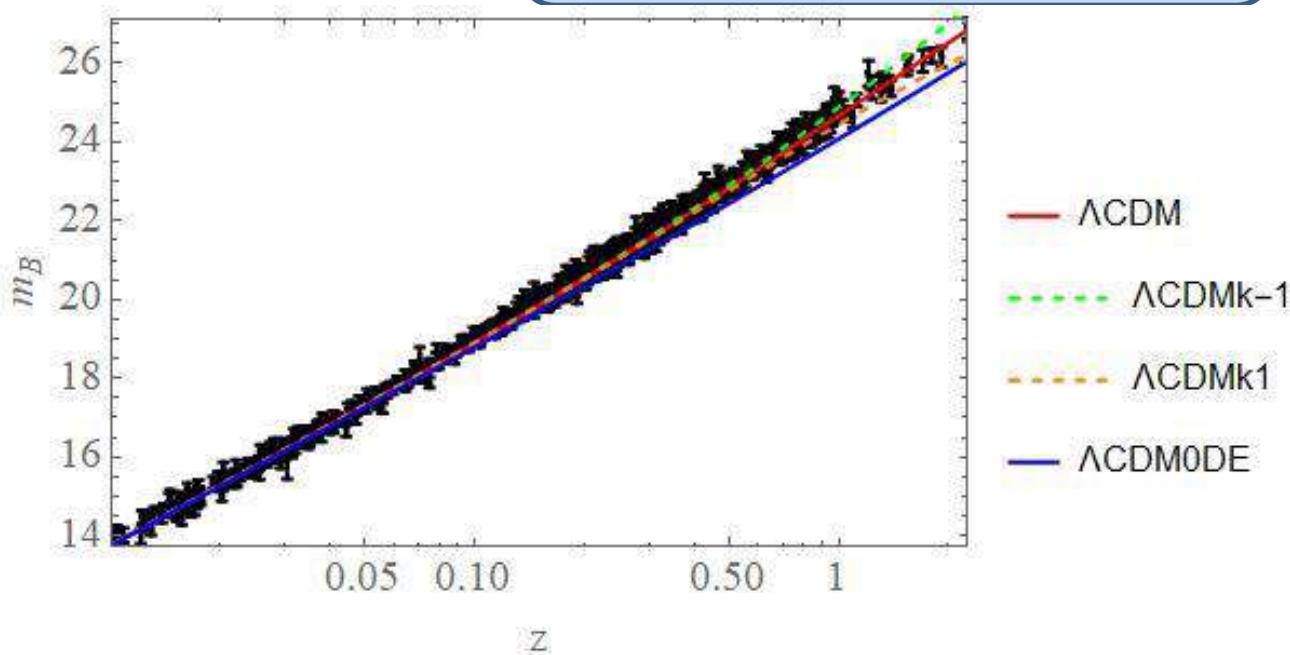
$$(\text{Arcsin}(r_1), r_1, \text{Arcsinh}(r_1)) = \int_z^0 \frac{1}{H(z)R_0} dz, \text{ for } k=1,0,-1$$

$$\frac{R(t)}{R(t_0)} = \frac{1}{1+z}$$

# Luminosity distance

$$d_L = R_0(1+z) \left[ \sin\left(\int_z^0 \frac{dz}{H(z)R_0}\right), \left(\int_z^0 \frac{dz}{H(z)R_0}\right), \sinh\left(\int_z^0 \frac{dz}{H(z)R_0}\right) \right], k = [1, 0, -1]$$

$$m = M + 5 \log_{10} \left( \frac{d_L}{\text{pc}} - 1 \right)$$



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SNIa data,  
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# Universe is accelerating with DE for $z < 2.3$

- Late time DE dominating era: recall  $\frac{R}{R_0} = \frac{1}{1+z}$  so Universe was started to be DE dominated when its roughly half the size of present!
- $\text{DE} \rightarrow k \rightarrow \text{matter} \rightarrow \text{radiation} \rightarrow \text{Inflation(?)}$

$$\rho \sim R^{>-2} \Rightarrow R^{-2} \Rightarrow R^{-3} \Rightarrow R^{-4} \Rightarrow \rho_{\Lambda} (\text{??})$$

- Lets study Thermal History since Radiation era.

# Thermal History

- Natural units: space = time,  $E = m = 1/\text{space}$

$$c=1 \Rightarrow 2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ meter} = 1 \text{ second}, 1 \text{ kg} = 1 \text{ Joule} = \frac{\text{GeV}}{1.602 \times 10^{-10}},$$

$$\hbar=1 \Rightarrow \frac{6.626 \times 10^{-34}}{2\pi} \text{ Joule} = 1 \text{ sec}^{-1} = (2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ meter})^{-1},$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \text{ fm} &= \frac{10^{-15}}{3 \times 10^8} \text{ sec} = \frac{2\pi}{6.626 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \times 10^{23}} \text{ Joule}^{-1} = \frac{2\pi \times 1.602 \times 10^{-10}}{6.626 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \times 10^{23}} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \\ &= 5.067 \text{ GeV}^{-1} \Rightarrow 1 = 0.197 \text{ GeV fm} \end{aligned}$$

- Include temperature:

$$k_B=1 \Rightarrow 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ Joule} = 1 \text{ Kelvin} \Rightarrow 1 \text{ K} = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \frac{\text{GeV}}{1.602 \times 10^{-10}},$$

$$1 \text{ K} = 8.61 \times 10^{-14} \text{ GeV}$$

Ex: find Planck mass in natural GeV unit

# Thermodynamics in expanding Universe

- Early U is in radiation era with **ultra-relativistic** particles → massive relativistic gas → massive **non-relativistic** gas  
as U expands. (**radiation era** → **matter era**)
- Assume thermal equilibrium & interactions are taken into account by *Boltzmann* eqn.
- From CMB, its safe to assume thermal equilibrium at single T throughout the U.
- U Expansion → 
$$\lambda = \lambda_0 \frac{R}{R_0} = \frac{\lambda_0}{1+z}, T = T_0(1+z)$$

# Number density, density, pressure

$$n = \int_0^\infty dn_q = \int \frac{g}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{e^{\frac{E-\mu}{T}} \pm 1} d^3 \vec{q} = \int_0^\infty \frac{g}{2\pi^2} \frac{1}{e^{\frac{E-\mu}{T}} \pm 1} q^2 dq$$

$$g = \text{d.o.f.} = (\#\text{spin})(\#\text{color})(\#\text{degeneracy})$$

$$\rho = \int_0^\infty E dn_q = \int \frac{g}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{E}{e^{\frac{E-\mu}{T}} \pm 1} d^3 \vec{q} = \int_0^\infty \frac{g}{2\pi^2} \frac{E}{e^{\frac{E-\mu}{T}} \pm 1} q^2 dq$$

$$P = \frac{1}{3} \int \frac{q^2}{E} dn_q, \quad E = \sqrt{m^2 + q^2}$$

- 1<sup>st</sup> law thermodynamics  $\rightarrow s = \frac{\rho + P - \mu n}{T}$ ; entropy density

- Ex photon gas       $\mu_\gamma = 0$ , true for all massless particles

$$\rho_\gamma = \int \frac{g}{2\pi^2} \frac{E}{e^{\frac{E-0}{T}} - 1} q^2 dq = \int \frac{2}{2\pi^2} \frac{1}{e^{\frac{q}{T}} - 1} q^3 dq$$

$$= \frac{T^4}{\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{x^3}{e^x - 1} dx = \frac{T^4}{\pi^2} \zeta(4) \Gamma(4) = \frac{\pi^2}{15} T^4; P_\gamma = \frac{1}{3} \rho_\gamma$$

$$s = \frac{4}{3} \frac{\rho_\gamma}{T} = \frac{4}{3} \left( \frac{\pi^2}{15} \right) T^3; n_\gamma = \frac{2\zeta(3)}{\pi^2} T^3$$

- Generically for ultra-relativistic particles in thermal equilibrium;

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^n}{e^x + 1} dx = (1 - 2^{-n}) \Gamma(n) \zeta(n); \text{fermion}$$

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^n}{e^x - 1} dx = \Gamma(n+1) \zeta(n+1); \text{ boson}$$

$$\rho_{\text{rad}} = g_{\text{eff}} \frac{\pi^2}{30} T^4 \equiv \left( \sum_i g_i^b + \frac{7}{8} \sum_i g_i^f \right) \frac{\pi^2}{30} T^4; \text{ for } T \gg m$$

- For ultra-relativistic particles at each own equilibrium with  $T_i \gg m_i$

$$\rho_{\text{rad}} = g_{\text{eff}} \frac{\pi^2}{30} T^4 \equiv \left( \sum_i g_i^b \left( \frac{T_i}{T} \right)^4 + \frac{7}{8} \sum_j g_j^f \left( \frac{T_j}{T} \right)^4 \right) \frac{\pi^2}{30} T^4; \text{ for } T_i \gg m_i$$

- Generically relativistic particles ignoring  $\mu_i$  effects;

$$n = \frac{g}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{p^2}{e^{\sqrt{p^2+m^2}/T} \pm 1} dp = \frac{g}{2\pi^2} T^3 \int_0^\infty \frac{y^2}{e^{\sqrt{y^2+x^2}} \pm 1} dy \equiv \frac{g}{2\pi^2} T^3 I_\pm(x);$$

$$\rho = \frac{g}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{p^2 \sqrt{p^2+m^2}}{e^{\sqrt{p^2+m^2}/T} \pm 1} dp = \frac{g}{2\pi^2} T^4 \int_0^\infty \frac{y^2 \sqrt{y^2+x^2}}{e^{\sqrt{y^2+x^2}} \pm 1} dy \equiv \frac{g}{2\pi^2} T^4 J_\pm(x)$$

$$x \equiv \frac{m}{T}, y \equiv \frac{p}{T}$$

**Ex:** compute

$$n_{\gamma,0}, \rho_{\gamma,0}, \Omega_{\gamma,0} h^2 \text{ for } H_0 = 100h \text{ km/s/Mpc}$$

- Non-relativistic particles(gas&dust)  $T_i \ll m_i$

$$n \simeq g \left( \frac{mT}{2\pi} \right)^{3/2} e^{-m/T}; T \ll m$$

$$\rho \simeq nm, P = nT \Rightarrow \text{ideal gas law!}$$

Ex: Show this.

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- For neutrinos, there are left-handed 3 flavours & right-handed sterile ??? flavours;

$$\rho_{\nu_L} = \frac{7}{8} \frac{\pi^2}{30} T_\nu^4, \rho_{\nu_R} = \frac{7}{8} \frac{\pi^2}{30} T_{\nu_R}^4 \text{ per flavour}$$

- Has to multiply by 2 to account for particle&antiparticle, neutrinos will decouple the latest due to *small* masses.

# Standard Model particles

Three Generations of Matter (Fermions)				
	I	II	III	
mass →	2.4 MeV	1.27 GeV	171.2 GeV	
charge →	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	
spin →	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	
name →	u up	c charm	t top	
Quarks	4.8 MeV $\frac{-1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ d down	104 MeV $\frac{-1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ s strange	4.2 GeV $\frac{-1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ b bottom	0 0 1 g gluon
	< 2.2 eV 0 $\frac{1}{2}$ ν <sub>e</sub> electron neutrino	< 0.17 MeV 0 $\frac{1}{2}$ ν <sub>μ</sub> muon neutrino	< 15.5 MeV 0 $\frac{1}{2}$ ν <sub>τ</sub> tau neutrino	91.2 GeV 0 1 Z <sup>0</sup> weak force
	0.511 MeV -1 $\frac{1}{2}$ e electron	105.7 MeV -1 $\frac{1}{2}$ μ muon	1.777 GeV -1 $\frac{1}{2}$ τ tau	80.4 GeV ±1 1 W <sup>+</sup> weak force
	Bosons (Forces)			

- +Higgs, m=125 GeV
- Possible to have *sterile neutrinos* which does not interact with anything except via gravity! → warm DM
- Warm DM is harder to reconcile with structure formation.

# Evolution of relativistic d.o.f.

$T \geq 100 \text{ GeV} (\simeq 1.2 \times 10^{15} \text{ K}),$

$\exists 6 q, \bar{q}, e^\pm, \mu^\pm, \tau^\pm, \nu_L^{e,\mu,\tau}, \bar{\nu}_L^{e,\mu,\tau}, W^\pm, Z, \gamma, g, H_0;$

$$g_{\text{eff}} = \frac{7}{8} \left( (2 \times 12 \times 3) + (2 \times 6) + (2 \times 3) \right) + \left( (3 \times 3) + (2) + (2 \times 8) + 1 \right) = 106.75$$

(q,  $\bar{q}$ ) (charged leptons) ( $\nu, \bar{\nu}$ ); ( $W^\pm, Z$ )  $\gamma$   $g$   $H_0$

$$T \approx 30 \text{ GeV}; t\bar{t} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, -(t, \bar{t}); g_{\text{eff}} = 106.75 - \frac{7}{8}(2 \times 6) = 96.25$$

$$T \approx 10 \text{ GeV}; -(W, Z, H_0); g_{\text{eff}} = 96.25 - ((3 \times 3) + 1) = 86.25$$

$$T < 10 \text{ GeV}; -(b, \bar{b}); g_{\text{eff}} = 86.25 - \frac{7}{8}(2 \times 6) = 75.75$$

$$T > 0.150 \text{ GeV}; -(c, \bar{c}, \tau, \bar{\tau}); g_{\text{eff}} = 75.75 - \frac{7}{8}(12 + 4) = 61.75$$

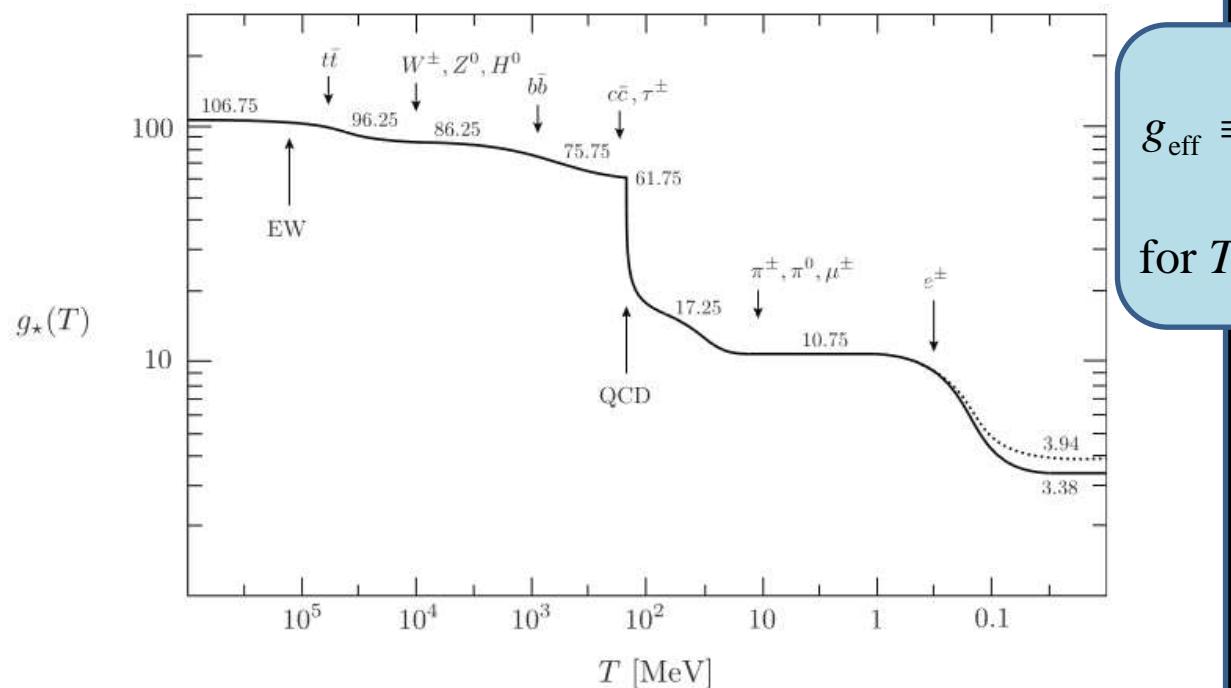
# Evolution of relativistic d.o.f.

$T \leq 0.150$  GeV; confinement;

$\exists n^0, p^+$  (non-rela  $\Rightarrow$  small#),  $q\bar{q} = \pi^{\pm,0}$  (relativistic),  $\gamma, \nu, \mu, e$ ;

$$g_{\text{eff}} = (2+3) + \frac{7}{8}(6+4+4) = 17.25$$

$$T > 1 \text{ MeV}; -(\mu, \pi); g_{\text{eff}} = 17.25 - \frac{7}{8}(4) - 3 = 10.75$$



$$g_{\text{eff}} \equiv \left( \sum_i g_i^b \left( \frac{T_i}{T} \right)^4 + \frac{7}{8} \sum_j g_j^f \left( \frac{T_j}{T} \right)^4 \right);$$

for  $T_i \gg m_i$

Next is  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$   
but neutrino will decouple before.

Figure 3.4: Evolution of relativistic degrees of freedom  $g_*(T)$  assuming the Standard Model particle content. The dotted line stands for the number of effective degrees of freedom in entropy  $g_{*S}(T)$ .

# Entropy conservation in expanding U

- Locally Energy changes in expanding U, but entropy is conserved in thermal equilibrium!
- Non-equilibrium processes produce Entropy.
- $S = S(\text{photons}) + S(\text{baryons}) + S(DM) + S(BH)$   
 $S(\text{photons})$  dominates in radiation era.

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\rho + P}{T} V \right) = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \frac{\partial P}{\partial T} = \frac{\rho + P}{T},$$

$$S = \frac{\rho + P}{T} = \sum_i \frac{\rho_i + P_i}{T_i} \equiv \frac{2\pi^2}{45} g_S^{\text{eff}} T^3 = \frac{\text{Const.}}{V} \sim R^{-3}$$

# Relativistic d.o.f. of Entropy

$$g_S^{\text{eff}} T^3 R^3 = \text{Const.} \Rightarrow T \sim \left( g_S^{\text{eff}} \right)^{-1/3} \frac{1}{R}$$

$$g_S^{\text{eff}} = \sum_b g_b \left( \frac{T_b}{T} \right)^3 + \frac{7}{8} \sum_f g_f \left( \frac{T_f}{T} \right)^3$$

- Using Friedmann eqn, **radiation era**;

$$\frac{\dot{R}}{R} = \frac{1}{2t} = \sqrt{\frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho(t)} = T^2 \sqrt{\frac{8\pi G}{3} \frac{\pi^2}{30} g_{\text{eff}}} = \frac{\pi}{3} \sqrt{\frac{g_{\text{eff}}}{10}} \frac{T^2}{M_{Pl}^*},$$

$$M_{Pl}^* \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c}{8\pi G}} = 2.4 \times 10^{18} \text{ GeV}; \text{ reduced Planck mass}$$

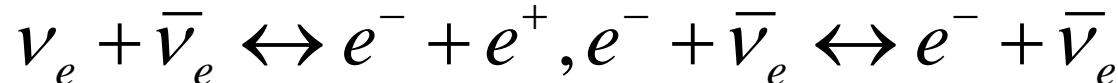
Ex: Show that

$$\frac{T}{1 \text{ MeV}} \approx 1.5 \left( g_{\text{eff}} \right)^{-1/4} \left( \frac{1 \text{ sec}}{t} \right)^{1/2},$$

$$t \approx 1 \text{ sec} \Rightarrow U \text{ has } T \approx 1 \text{ MeV}$$

# Neutrino decoupling

- Neutrinos are kept in thermal equilibrium by weak interaction, i.e.,



- Competing between *scattering* and *H expansion*;

$$t_H = \frac{1}{H}, t_{\text{scattering}} = \frac{1}{\Gamma}, \Gamma = n\bar{v}\sigma = \text{scattering rate}$$

- Decoupling when scattering time is **longer** than expansion time,  $t_{\text{scattering}} \geq t_H$
- For neutrino with weak interaction,

$$\frac{t_H}{t_{\text{scattering}}} = \frac{\Gamma_{\text{weak}}}{H} \approx \left( \frac{T}{\text{MeV}} \right)^3; \nu_e, \bar{\nu}_e \text{ decouple around } T \sim \text{MeV}$$

- Neutrinos separate from Standard model particles → *neutrino decoupling*.

# Two thermal equilibria at $T_\gamma, T_\nu$

- Same temperature even after decoupling until  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  at  $T \approx m_e c^2$  (0.511 MeV)

$$T_\nu \sim g_{\text{eff}}^S (\text{at } T > m_e c^2) R^{-1},$$

$$T_\gamma \sim g_{\text{eff}}^S (\text{at } T < m_e c^2) R^{-1}$$

- For non-neutrinos;  $g_{\text{eff}}^S (T > m_e c^2) = 2 + \frac{7}{8} (2 \times 2) = \frac{11}{2}$ ,
  - So after  $e^+e^-$  annihilation;
- $$T_\nu = \left( \frac{4}{11} \right)^{1/3} T_\gamma$$
- 

$$T_{\nu,0} = 1.95 \text{ K}$$

- Then,  $g_{\text{eff}} = 2 + \frac{7}{8} (2 \times N_{\text{eff}}) \left( \frac{4}{11} \right)^{4/3} = 3.36$ ,

$$g_{\text{eff}}^S = 2 + \frac{7}{8} (2 \times N_{\text{eff}}) \left( \frac{4}{11} \right) = 3.94$$

$$n_\nu = \frac{3}{4} N_{\text{eff}} \left( \frac{4}{11} \right) n_\gamma$$

# Boltzmann equation

$$\frac{1}{R^3} \frac{d}{dt} (n_1 R^3) = -\alpha n_1 n_2 + \beta n_3 n_4; \quad \alpha = \langle \sigma v \rangle$$

$\sigma$  = scattering cross section  $1+2 \rightarrow 3+4$

At equilibrium,  $\frac{d}{dt} (n_1 R^3) = 0 \rightarrow \beta = \left( \frac{n_1 n_2}{n_3 n_4} \right)_{\text{eq}} \alpha$

$$\frac{1}{R^3} \frac{d}{dt} (n_1 R^3) = -\langle \sigma v \rangle \left( n_1 n_2 - \left( \frac{n_1 n_2}{n_3 n_4} \right)_{\text{eq}} n_3 n_4 \right)$$

Another useful form;  $N_i \equiv \frac{n_i}{S}$ ,  $\Gamma_1 = n_2 \langle \sigma v \rangle$ ,

$$\frac{d \ln N_1}{d \ln R} = -\frac{\Gamma_1}{H} \left( 1 - \left( \frac{N_1 N_2}{N_3 N_4} \right)_{\text{eq}} \frac{N_3 N_4}{N_1 N_2} \right)$$

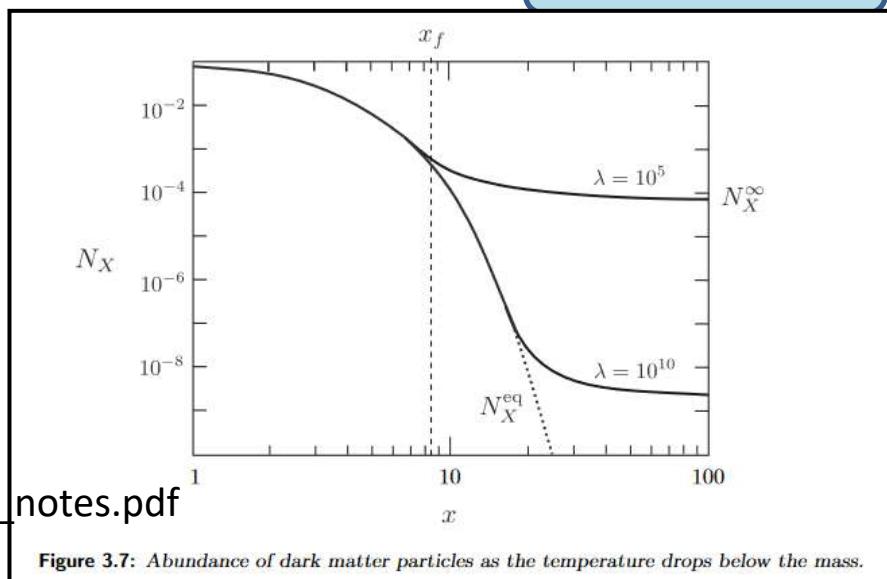
# Riccati equation

- If DM is WIMP(Weakly Interacting Massive Particle) and *assuming*  $X + \bar{X} \rightarrow \ell + \bar{\ell}$
- Then  $\frac{dN_X}{dt} = -s \langle \sigma v \rangle (N_X^2 - (N_X^{\text{eq}})^2) \Rightarrow \frac{dN_X}{dx} = -\frac{\lambda}{x^2} (N_X^2 - (N_X^{\text{eq}})^2)$

$$\text{for } x \equiv \frac{M_X}{T}, \quad \lambda \equiv \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle M_X^3}{H(M_X)} \frac{2\pi^2}{45} g_s^{\text{eff}}$$

- For  $x \ll 1$ ;  $N_X^{\text{eq}} = N_X^{\text{eq}}(x) \approx N_X \approx 1$   
 $x \gg 1$ ;  $N_X^{\text{eq}} \approx e^{-x}$

$$N_X^\infty \simeq \frac{x_f}{\lambda}, \quad x_f \simeq 10$$



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Figure 3.7: Abundance of dark matter particles as the temperature drops below the mass.

# WIMP miracle(???)

- From Supernovae fitting and direct counting of visible matter&estimation we estimate matter density 30% of critical density with only 5% baryonic matter; So

$$\Omega_{\text{DM},0} \simeq 0.25 \Rightarrow \Omega_{\text{DM},0} h^2 = 0.11$$

- This could actually relate to WIMP with Weak interaction frozen out during radiation era!

$$\Omega_{X,0} = \frac{\rho_{X,0}}{\rho_{c,0}} = \frac{M_X N_X^\infty s_0}{3 M_{Pl}^{*2} H_0^2}, \quad \rho_{c,0} \equiv \frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G}, \quad g_{\text{eff}}^S(T_0) = 3.91(\nu\bar{\nu}, \gamma)$$

$$\Omega_{X,0} = \frac{M_X x_f s(T_0) H(M_X)}{3 M_{Pl}^{*2} H_0^2 \frac{2\pi^2}{45} g_{\text{eff}}^S M_X^3 \langle \sigma v \rangle}, \quad H(M_X) \simeq \frac{\pi}{3} \left( \frac{g_{\text{eff}}(M_X)}{10} \right)^{1/2} \frac{T_X^2}{M_{Pl}^*}$$

$$\Omega_{X,0} h^2 = \frac{x_f}{\sqrt{10 g_{\text{eff}}(M_X)}} \frac{\pi g_{\text{eff}}^S(T_0)}{9 \langle \sigma v \rangle} \left( 2.2 \times 10^{-10} \text{GeV}^{-2} \right) \Rightarrow \langle \sigma v \rangle \simeq 10^{-8} \text{GeV}^{-2}$$

Weak scattering!

# BUT

- So far at LHC, elsewhere there is no direct evidence of WIMP with weak scattering...
- WTH is DM then??? → Please Google or ask Gemini, ChatGPT.
- Actually “gravity” might be modified → modified gravity, or Dark Sector of U, or axion, or sterile neutrino, or other exotic particles
- WTH is DE????
  
- Next, lets consider *Recombination* where H-atom was formed(coming before Dark Age, First Stars and Reionization).

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Event	time $t$	redshift $z$	temperature $T$
Inflation	$10^{-34}$ s (?)	—	—
Baryogenesis	?	?	?
EW phase transition	20 ps	$10^{15}$	100 GeV
QCD phase transition	20 $\mu$ s	$10^{12}$	150 MeV
Dark matter freeze-out	?	?	?
Neutrino decoupling	1 s	$6 \times 10^9$	1 MeV
Electron-positron annihilation	6 s	$2 \times 10^9$	500 keV
Big Bang nucleosynthesis	3 min	$4 \times 10^8$	100 keV
Matter-radiation equality	60 kyr	3400	0.75 eV
Recombination	260–380 kyr	1100–1400	0.26–0.33 eV
Photon decoupling	380 kyr	1000–1200	0.23–0.28 eV
Reionization	100–400 Myr	11–30	2.6–7.0 meV
Dark energy-matter equality	9 Gyr	0.4	0.33 meV
Present	13.8 Gyr	0	0.24 meV

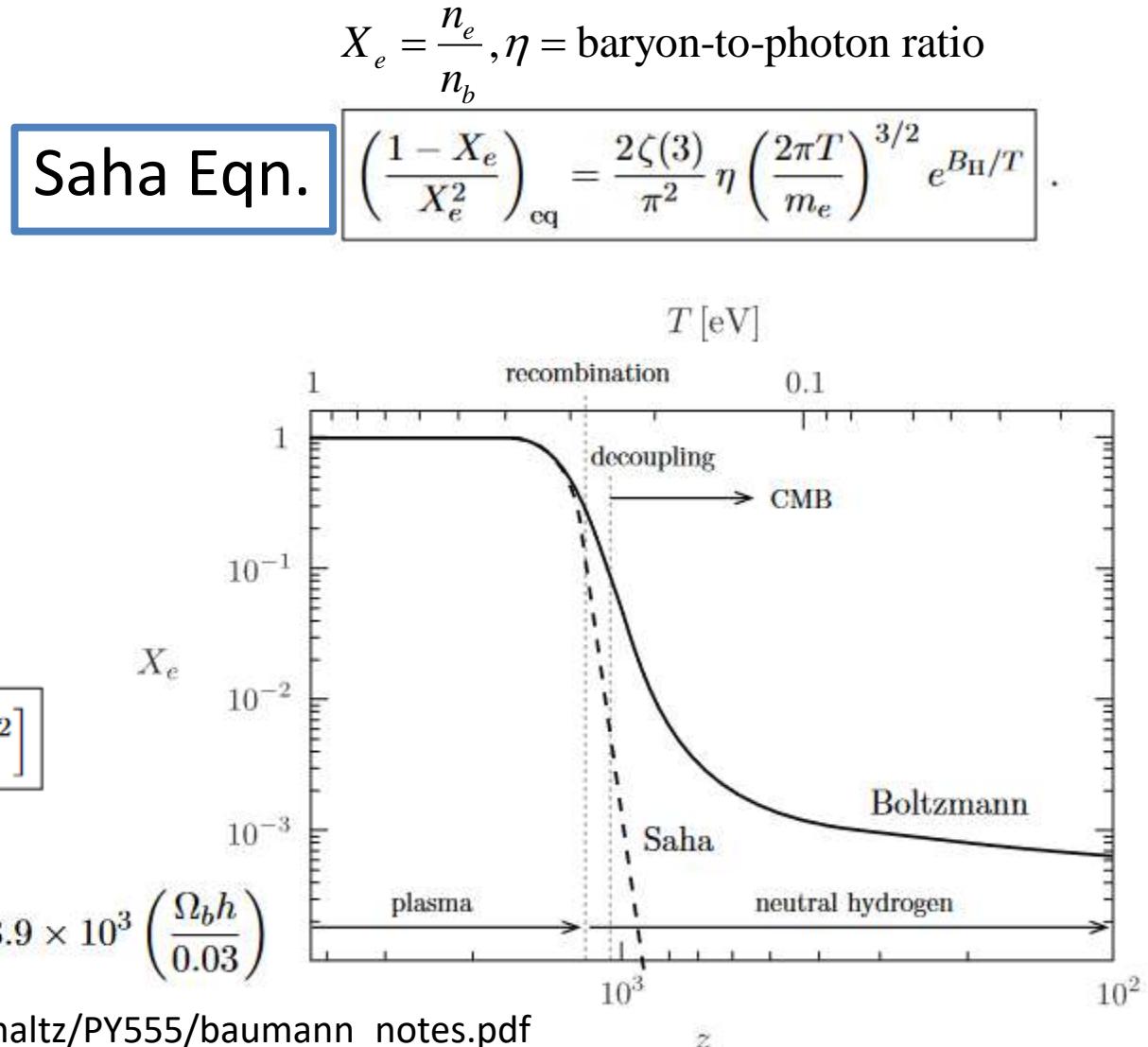
# Recombination

- H atom is formed and remains when temperature drops below ionization energy of H atom 13.6 eV.

$$\frac{dX_e}{dx} = -\frac{\lambda}{x^2} [X_e^2 - (X_e^{\text{eq}})^2]$$

$$x \equiv B_{\text{H}}/T$$

$$\lambda \equiv \left[ \frac{n_b \langle \sigma v \rangle}{xH} \right]_{x=1} = 3.9 \times 10^3 \left( \frac{\Omega_b h}{0.03} \right)$$



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**Figure 3.8:** Free electron fraction as a function of redshift.

# Recombination & Photon decoupling

- Some details:

$$X_e \simeq 0.1 \Rightarrow T_{\text{rec}} \simeq 0.3 \text{ eV} \simeq 3600 \text{ K}, z_{\text{rec}} \simeq 1320$$

- *Photon decoupling*  $e^- + \gamma \leftrightarrow e^- + \gamma$ ,

$\sigma_T \approx 2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ MeV}^{-2}$  is the Thomson cross section

$$\Gamma_\gamma \approx n_e \sigma_T,$$

- Reaction ceases when  $\Gamma_\gamma(T_{dec}) \sim H(T_{dec})$

$$\Gamma_\gamma(T_{dec}) = n_b X_e(T_{dec}) \sigma_T = \frac{2\zeta(3)}{\pi^2} \eta_b \sigma_T X_e(T_{dec}) T_{dec}^3,$$

$$H(T_{dec}) = H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_m} \left( \frac{T_{dec}}{T_0} \right)^{3/2}.$$

- Leads to

$$X_{\text{dec}} \simeq 0.01 \Rightarrow T_{\text{dec}} \simeq 0.27 \text{ eV}, z_{\text{rec}} \simeq 1100, t_{\text{CMB}} \simeq 380,000 \text{ yrs}$$

# BB Nucleosynthesis

- Successful in reproducing  $\frac{n_{\text{H}}}{n_p} \simeq \frac{2}{14} \Rightarrow \frac{n_{\text{He}}}{n_{\text{H}}} \simeq \frac{1}{12} \Rightarrow \frac{m_{\text{He}}}{m_H} \simeq \frac{1}{3}$
- Or He 25%, H 75% by mass, see details elsewhere(e.g. Baumann notes).
- Next, we go back further in order to explain the flatness we see&saw, the validity of cosmological principle in CMB and large-scale homogeneity of matter distribution.
- Inflation is a simple good idea as a quantitative explanation.

# Inflation

- *Flatness problem*: why density parameter is so close to 1???  
$$\Omega(z)-1 = \frac{\Omega_0 - 1}{1 - \Omega_0 + \Omega_{\Lambda,0}R^2 + \Omega_{m,0}R^{-1} + \Omega_{r,0}R^{-2}}$$
$$\Omega(z)-1 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } R \rightarrow 0$$
- (Use  $R^2 H^2 (1 - \Omega) = H_0^2 (1 - \Omega_0)$  to prove)
- Who tune this at the beginning? → fine tuning problem in cosmology
- Also *Horizon problem*: how CMB equilibrates to 1/100,000 uniformity throughout the entire sky???

# Horizons

- Particle horizon = furthest distance we can observe from the PAST.
- Event horizon = furthest distance we can observe in the FUTURE.

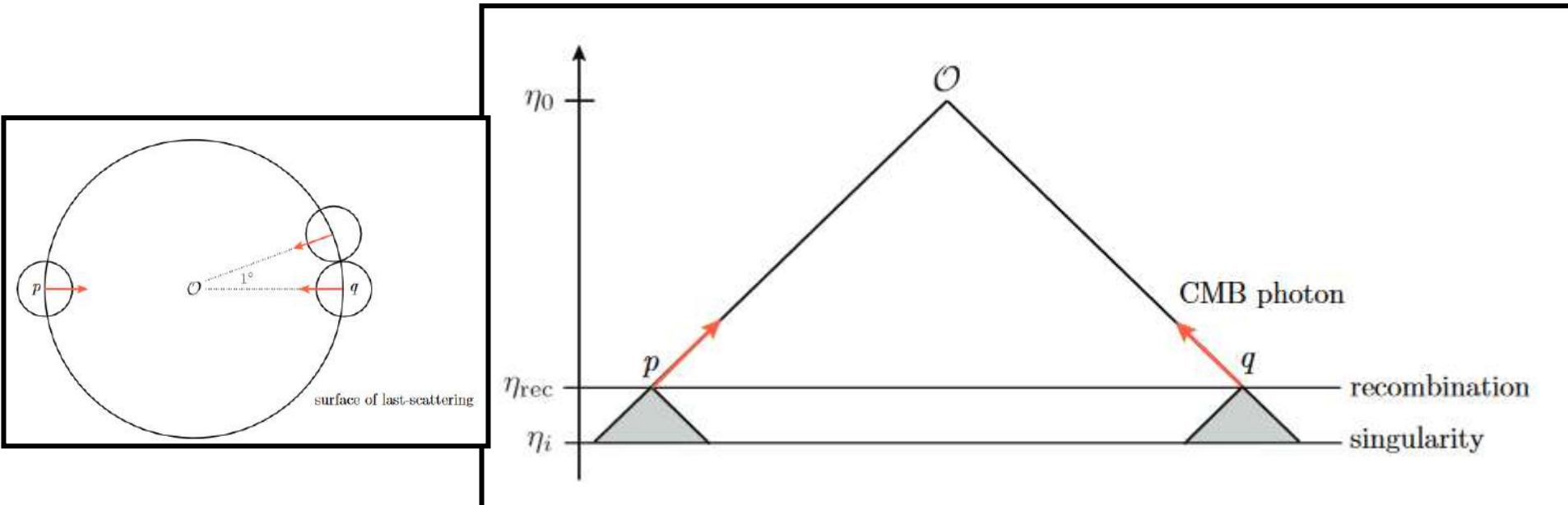
$$ds^2 = c^2 dt^2 - R^2(t) \left( \frac{dr^2}{1-kr^2} + r^2 d\Omega \right) \equiv R^2(\eta)(d\eta^2 - d\chi^2)$$

for null path  $d\Omega = 0$  in the last step.  $\chi = \int \frac{dr}{\sqrt{1-kr^2}}$

- Conformal time  $\eta$  makes things flat and easy to visualize.

$$\chi_{ph} = \eta - \eta_i = \int_{t_i}^t \frac{dt}{R(t)}, \chi_{eh} = \eta_f - \eta = \int_t^{t_f} \frac{dt}{R(t)}$$

# Horizon problem in conformal diagram



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- Past light cones at separate regions cannot be in causal contact, how can they be the same within 1/100,000?
- Introduce concept of *Hubble sphere or Hubble radius*.

$(RH)^{-1}$  : comoving Hubble radius

$$\chi_{ph} = \int_{t_i}^t \frac{dt}{R(t)} = \int_{\ln R_i}^{\ln R} (RH)^{-1} d \ln R = \eta - \eta_i,$$

For  $P = w\rho c^2$ ,  $R(t) = \left(\frac{3}{2}H_0(1+w)t\right)^{\frac{2}{3(1+w)}}$ ,  $\chi_{ph} = \left(\frac{2}{1+3w}\right)\frac{1}{H_0}\left(R^{\frac{1+3w}{2}} - R_i^{\frac{1+3w}{2}}\right)$

For  $3w+1 > 0$ ,  $\eta_i = \left(\frac{2}{1+3w}\right)\frac{1}{H_0}\left(R_i^{\frac{1+3w}{2}}\right) \rightarrow 0$  as  $R_i \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\chi_{ph} = \frac{2}{1+3w}(RH)^{-1}$

$$\chi_{ph} = \frac{2}{1+3w}(RH)^{-1} \text{ for } w=1/3 \text{ (radiation)}$$

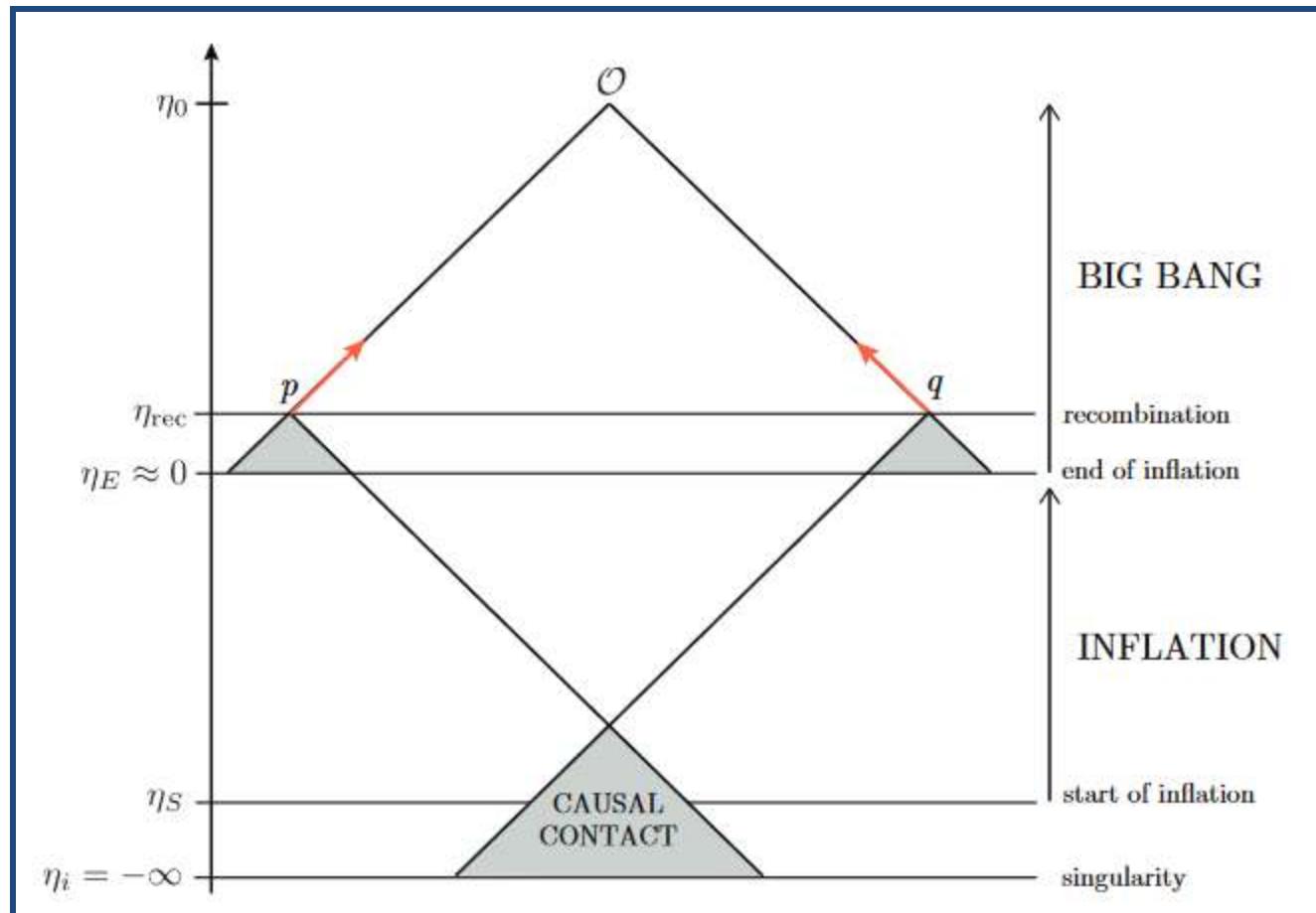
- Hubble radius determines particle horizon.
- Hubble radius can shrink if DE.

$$(RH)^{-1} = H_0^{-1}R^{\frac{1+3w}{2}}, \text{ shrinks if } 1+3w < 0$$

BUT  $\eta_i = \left(\frac{2}{1+3w}\right)\frac{1}{H_0}\left(R_i^{\frac{1+3w}{2}}\right) \rightarrow -\infty$  as  $R_i \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \chi_{ph} \rightarrow \infty !!!$

- Supernice that particle horizon can be any large!!!

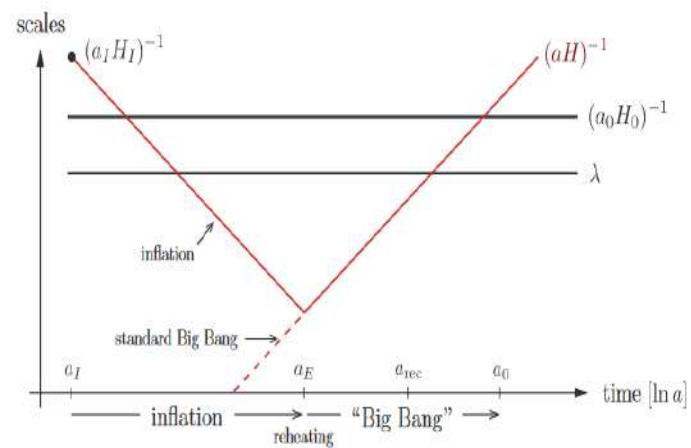
- Extending conformal time to  $-\infty$  allows anywhere to be in causal contact in the far past, and the past is infinite to spare!!!



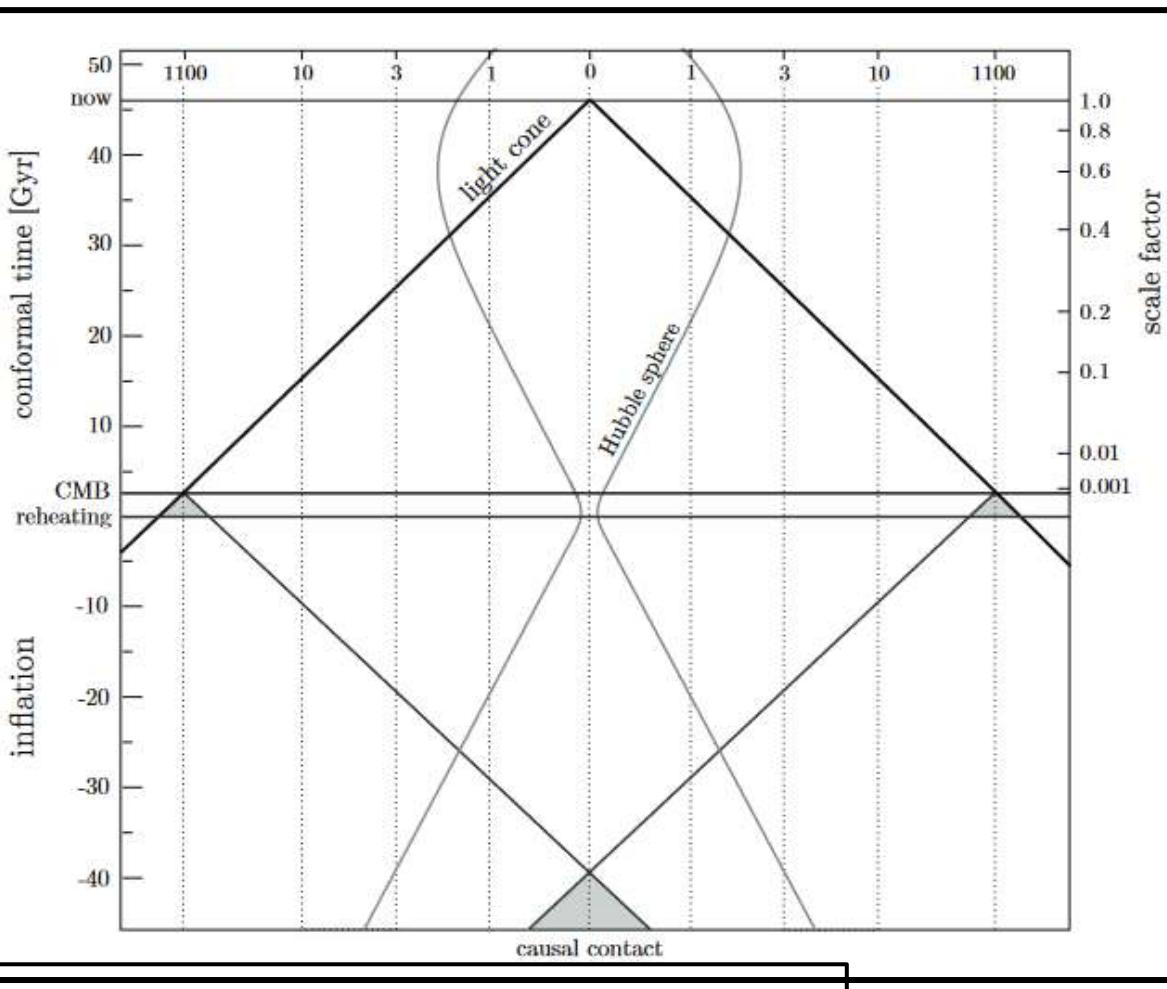
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- Even before the time of DE in 1998, “DE” was used in Inflation.

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- If we assume GUT as the symmetric point where inflation Ended and Beginning of HOT Big Bang.



To solve horizon problem;

$$(R_I H_I)^{-1} > (R_0 H_0)^{-1} \sim \frac{R_E}{R_0} \left( \frac{H_E}{H_0} \right) (R_E H_E)^{-1} \sim \frac{R_E}{R_0} \left( \frac{R_0}{R_E} \right)^2 (R_E H_E)^{-1}$$

$$\text{since radiation era } H \sim R^{-2}, (R_I H_I)^{-1} > \frac{T_E}{T_0} (R_E H_E)^{-1} = 10^{28} (R_E H_E)^{-1}$$

$$\text{if we set } T_E \sim 10^{15} \text{ GeV}, T_0 \sim 10^{-4} \text{ eV and } H_I \simeq H_E \Rightarrow \frac{R_E}{R_I} > 10^{28}, \text{e-folding} = 28 \ln 10 \sim 64$$

- Hubble sphere should shrink  $10^{28}$  during Inflation until GUT scale era

- Shrinking Hubble sphere  $\leftrightarrow$  accelerated expansion

$$\frac{d}{dt}(RH)^{-1} = -\left(\frac{\ddot{R}}{\dot{R}^2}\right) < 0 \Leftrightarrow \ddot{R} > 0$$

$$\varepsilon \equiv -\frac{d \ln H}{dN} = -\frac{d \ln H}{d \ln R} = -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} = 1 - \frac{\ddot{R}}{\dot{R}^2} < 1 \Leftrightarrow \ddot{R} > 0,$$

$N$  = number of  $e$ -folding

- But also has to *last long* enough. Parametrised by

$$\eta \equiv \frac{d \ln \varepsilon}{dN} = \frac{d \ln \varepsilon}{d \ln R} = \frac{\dot{\varepsilon}}{\varepsilon H} \Rightarrow |\eta| < 1 \text{ so that } \varepsilon < 1 \text{ persists.}$$

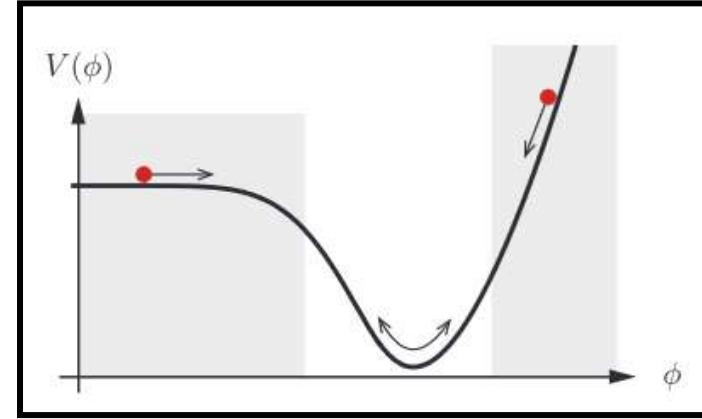
- Lets consider inflation toy model using single scalar field called **inflaton**.

# Inflaton toy model

$$\text{Lagrangian} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_a \phi \partial^a \phi - V(\phi), \quad T_{ab} = \partial_a \phi \partial_b \phi - g_{ab} \left( \frac{g^{cd}}{2} \partial_c \phi \partial_d \phi - V(\phi) \right)$$

$$\rho_\phi = T^t_t = \frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{2} + V(\phi), \quad T^i_j = -P_\phi \delta^i_j = -\delta^i_j \left( \frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{2} - V(\phi) \right)$$

$$\frac{P_\phi}{\rho_\phi} = \frac{\frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{2} - V(\phi)}{\frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{2} + V(\phi)} < -\frac{1}{3} \Leftrightarrow V > \dot{\phi}^2 : \text{potential dominates}$$



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- Friedmann eqn & conservation eqn lead to:  $\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + V'(\phi) = 0$ , Klein-Gordon eqn. in FLRW metric
- Roll to oscillate at bottom → *Reheating*

For  $V \gg \dot{\phi}^2$ ,  $\varepsilon \simeq \frac{M_{Pl}^{*2}}{2} \left( \frac{V'}{V} \right)^2 \equiv \varepsilon_V$ ,  $\eta_V \equiv \frac{V''}{V} M_{Pl}^{*2}$ ;  $\varepsilon_V, |\eta_V| \ll 1$  (slow roll)

- Homogeneity&isotropy of CMB requires at least 60 e-foldings until GUT scale  $10^{15}$  GeV era if we assume GUT as Beginning of HOT BB.

$$N_{tot} = \int_{R_I}^{R_E} d \ln R = \int_{t_I}^{t_E} H(t) dt; \quad \varepsilon(t_I) = \varepsilon(t_E) = 1$$

$$N_{tot} = \int_{\phi_I}^{\phi_E} \frac{H}{\dot{\phi}} d\phi = \int_{\phi_I}^{\phi_E} \frac{1}{M_{Pl}^* \sqrt{2\varepsilon}} d\phi \approx \int_{\phi_I}^{\phi_E} \frac{1}{M_{Pl}^* \sqrt{2\varepsilon_V}} d\phi$$

$$N_{CMB} = \int_{\phi_{CMB}}^{\phi_E} \frac{1}{M_{Pl}^* \sqrt{2\varepsilon_V}} d\phi \approx 60 \Rightarrow N_{tot} > N_{CMB} \text{ required}$$

- Depending on model → constraint on inflaton value at start of inflation, usually superPlanckian inflaton due to required e-folding#  $> 60$ .
- After end of inflation, need to transfer inflaton Energy to “Big Bang” particles, i.e., particles we see today.  
→ This is “HOT Big Bang”.

# Reheating

- Energy of inflaton potential needs to transfer to Standard Model particles.

$$V(\phi) \approx \frac{m^2}{2} \phi^2 \text{ around minimum, } \ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} = -m^2\phi,$$

Soon  $H \ll m$ ,  $\phi$  becomes normal oscillatory field with  $\langle \phi \rangle, \langle \dot{\phi} \rangle = 0$ ,

Conservation eqn.  $\dot{\rho}_\phi = -3H(\rho_\phi + \frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{2} - \frac{m^2}{2}\phi^2) \approx -3H\rho_\phi$  on average in time.

$$\rho_\phi \sim R^{-3}$$

- Inflaton decay via coupling with SM matter:

$$\dot{\rho}_\phi + 3H\rho_\phi = -\Gamma_\phi \rho_\phi; \Gamma_\phi = \text{inflaton decay rate}$$

SM particles thermalized at  $T_{\text{reheating}} \Rightarrow$  radiation era

# Problems

- *Baryogenesis*, why there is much more particles than antiparticles??? CP violation in SM is too small to account for this.
- GUT(Grand Unified Theory) valid? SUSY GUT? String? Cyclic Universe??? WHAT???
- Inflation predicts almost *scale-invariant* power spectrum which can be tested with Observations.
- See *Cosmological Perturbations*.