

Last time we derived the Friedmann Equation using Newtonian cosmology, which reads

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho_{\text{tot}} - \frac{k c^2}{a^2}.$$

It turns out we will get the same equation if we applied GR in the derivation, with the k term representing the space geometry. In our derivation, the k term is simply an integration constant.

In this lecture we continue our brief intro. to cosmology (part 3 of 3).

Recall
$$\rho_m(t) = \rho_{m,0} \cdot \frac{1}{a^3(t)} = \rho_{m,0} (1+z)^3$$

$$\rho_\Lambda(t) = \rho_{\Lambda,0} = \text{constant}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho_{\text{tot}}(t) = \rho_m(t) + \rho_\Lambda(t).$$

We also defined the density parameters:

$$\Omega_m = \rho_{m,0} / \rho_{\text{tot},0}$$

$$\Omega_\Lambda = \rho_{\Lambda,0} / \rho_{\text{tot},0}.$$

From observation we found $\Omega_m \approx 0.30$; $\Omega_\Lambda \approx 0.70$

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$$H_0^2 = H^2(t_0) = \left(\frac{\dot{a}_0}{a_0}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \cdot \rho_{\text{tot},0}$$

$$\Rightarrow H_0^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \cdot \rho_{\text{tot},0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho_{\text{tot},0} = \frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G}$$

$$H_0 = 70 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\dot{a}}{a} = H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_m(1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda}$$

→ Solve for $t(z)$.

$$a = (1+z)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{a} = -\frac{1}{(1+z)^2} \cdot \frac{dz}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\dot{a}}{a} = -\frac{1}{(1+z)} \cdot \frac{dz}{dt} = H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_m(1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda}$$

Separation of variables:

$$\int_0^{t(z)} dt' = \frac{1}{H_0} \cdot \int_\infty^z \frac{dz'}{(1+z') \sqrt{\Omega_m(1+z')^3 + \Omega_\Lambda}}$$

$$\Rightarrow t(z) = \frac{1}{H_0} \int_z^\infty \frac{dz'}{(1+z') \sqrt{\Omega_m(1+z')^3 + \Omega_\Lambda}}$$

Schematically:

