PH482 - HW10 - Cosmology

SHOW all your works. Put the answers in a BOX

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1 The nonzero components of the Ricci tensors of the flat ($\kappa = 0$) RW metric are

$$R_{00} = -3\frac{\ddot{a}}{a}, \qquad R_{ij} = (a\ddot{a} + 2\dot{a}^2)\delta_{ij}$$

Calculate the Ricci scalar.

2 Using the Friedman equations and $\rho(t) = \rho_0(\frac{a_0}{a})^{3(1+\omega)}$ show that the age of the universe when written as function of ω and H_0 is $t_0 = \frac{2}{3(\omega+1)}H_0^{-1}$. Use $G = c = a_0 = 1$.

3 Suppose the scale factor is $a(t) = (t/t_0)^{1/3}$ where $t_0 = 13.6 \times 10^9$ years is the present age of the universe. What would it be the value of the Hubble constant today? (years⁻¹).

4 A galaxy observed today has cosmological redshift z = 5.5. In a universe with $\Omega_M = 0.3$, $\Omega_{\Lambda} = 0.7$ and $H_0 = 70 \text{ km/(Mpc s),calculate:}$

4.1 the distance traveled by the light emitted from the galaxy toward us. (light years).

4.2 the recession velocity of the galaxy. (m/s).

5 The energy momentum tensor for a perfect fluid is $T_{\mu\nu} = (\rho_M - P/c^2)u_\mu u_\nu - Pg_{\mu\nu}$ where ρ_M is the mass density and P the pressure. Show that in comoving coordinates it simplifies to $T_{00} = \rho, T_{ij} = Pg_{ij}$ where ρ is the energy density.

6 In the past the event horizon of our universe was greater than the particles (or physical) horizon. You are the observer all the way to the left (r = 0). In which region a, b, c or *none* a galaxy was located in the past in order to satisfy the conditions described on the right of the figure?



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7 In a toy model of a Universe $a(t) = \alpha t^2$ where α is a constant. A galaxy is measured to have recession velocity = 0.3 c at t = 5 years. What is the recession velocity of that galaxy at t = 20 years? (unit of c).