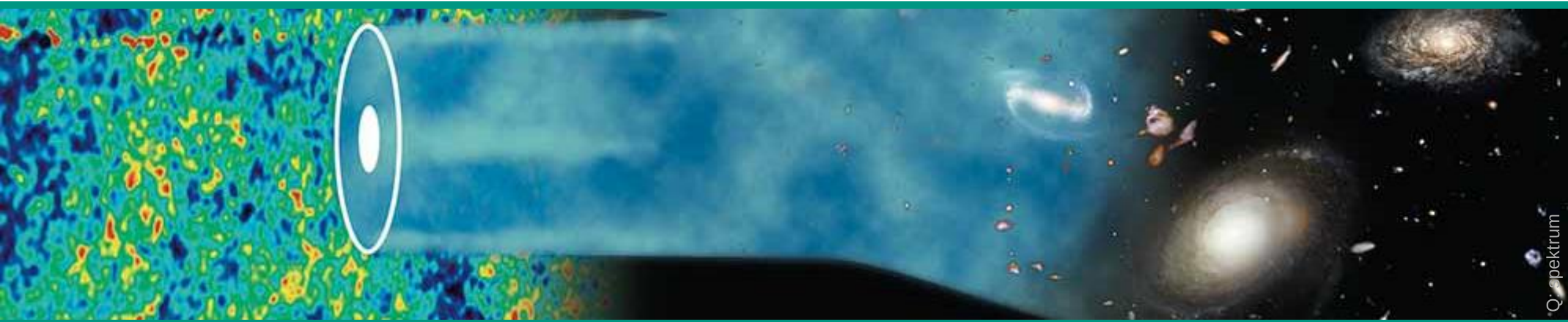


Introduction to Cosmology

Winter term 23/24

Lecture 4

Nov. 14, 2023



Recap of Lecture 3

■ Friedmann (–Lemaître) equation: braking vs. acceleration

$$\frac{\ddot{a}(t)}{a(t)} = -\frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \left(\rho(t) + \frac{3 \cdot P}{c^2} \right)$$

3 cosmological epochs:

$$\rho(t) = \rho_r(t) + \rho_m(t) + \rho_v(t)$$

pressure P : important for $a(t)$, $\dot{a}(t)$, $\ddot{a}(t)$

- equation–of–state of **vacuum**: $P_v(t_0) = -1 \cdot \rho_v(t_0) \cdot c^2$ (**anti–gravity**)

■ Topology & geometry of the universe

- curvature parameter $k = -1, 0, +1$ (**hyperbolic**, **flat**, **spherical**)

- open questions: isotropy, limited/unlimited size, complex topologies,...

Friedmann eq. with cosmological constant Λ

- Properties ρ_V and P_V of the vacuum 'merged' into one parameter: Λ

$$\frac{\ddot{a}(t)}{a(t)} = -\frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \left(\rho_{r,m,V}(t) + \frac{3 \cdot P_{r,m,V}(t)}{c^2} \right)$$

matter, radiation & vacuum

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matter & radiation

vacuum



Cosmological constant Λ

- vacuum: a very important, key player in cosmology

using vacuum
equation-of-state:

$$\rho_V(t) = -1 \cdot P_V(t)$$

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$$\frac{\Lambda \cdot c^2}{3}$$

- time-independent, constant parameter

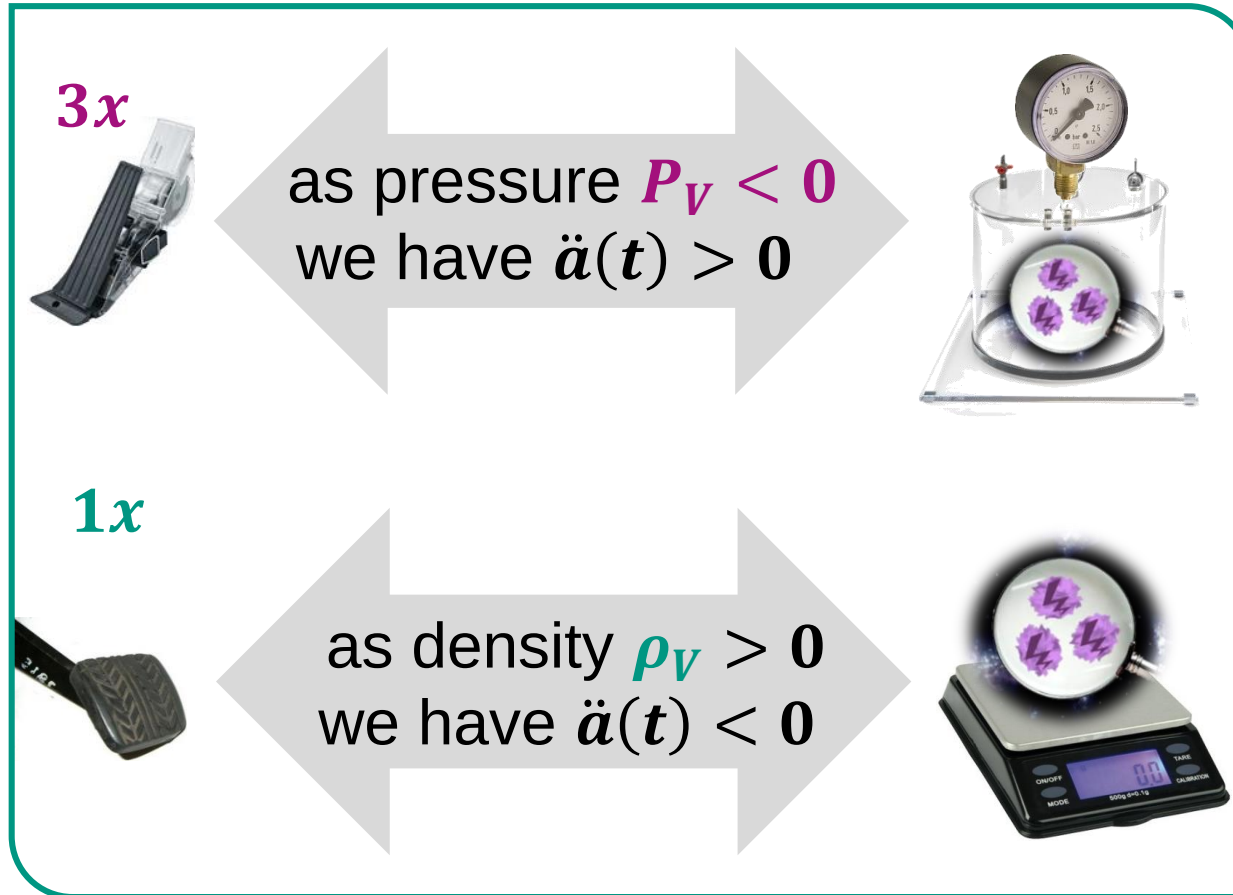
$$\Lambda = +\frac{8\pi \cdot G}{c^2} \cdot \rho_V$$



Cosmological constant Λ

■ Recap: properties of the vacuum

we keep this relation **constant**,
 $\Rightarrow$ **cosmological constant**



$$\cancel{\rho_V(t)} = -1 \cdot \cancel{P_V(t)}$$



Cosmological constant Λ

- A very important constant in cosmology

$$\Lambda = + \frac{8\pi \cdot G}{c^2} \cdot \rho_V$$

- positive sign, thus it causes an **accelerated** expansion of the universe
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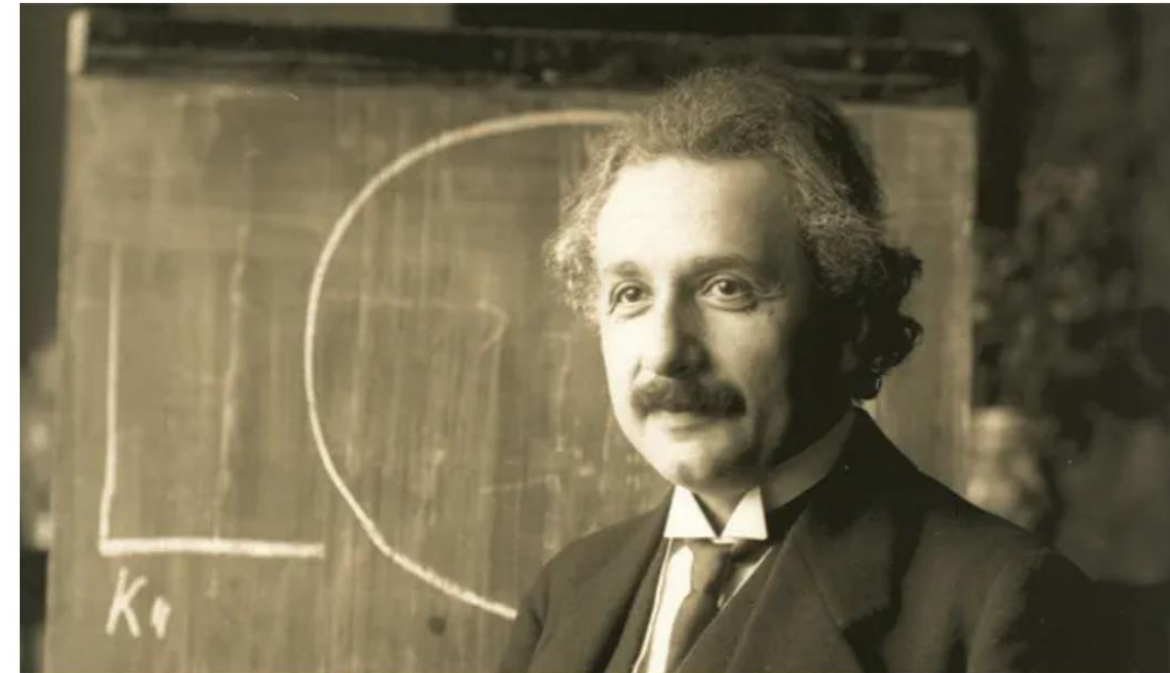
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SCIENCE Einstein's 'Biggest Blunder' Turns Out to Be Right

By · [Space.com](#)

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A young Albert Einstein lectures in Vienna in 1921. (Ferdinand Schmutzer)

Cosmological constant Λ

■ Experimental value & theoretical estimate: a 'small' discrepancy...

observed: $\rho_V = 3.6 \text{ GeV}/m^3$

estimate: $\rho_V = 10^{121} \text{ GeV}/m^3$



zero-point-energy
of a quantum field?

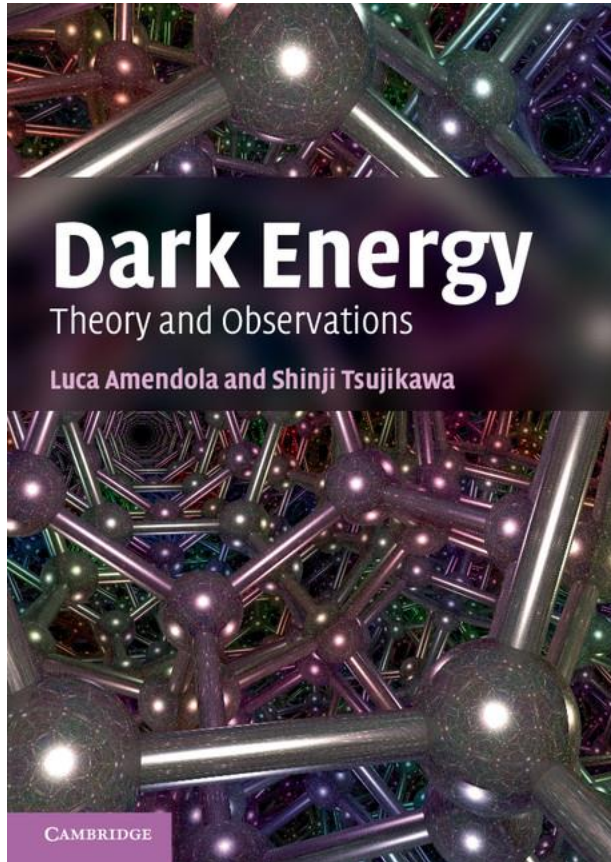
- biggest discrepancy in all of science!
- reduced to 'only' *60 orders of magnitude* in extended models of particle physics*



- literature tip: **S. Weinberg** et al. [Likely Values of the Cosmological Constant](#)

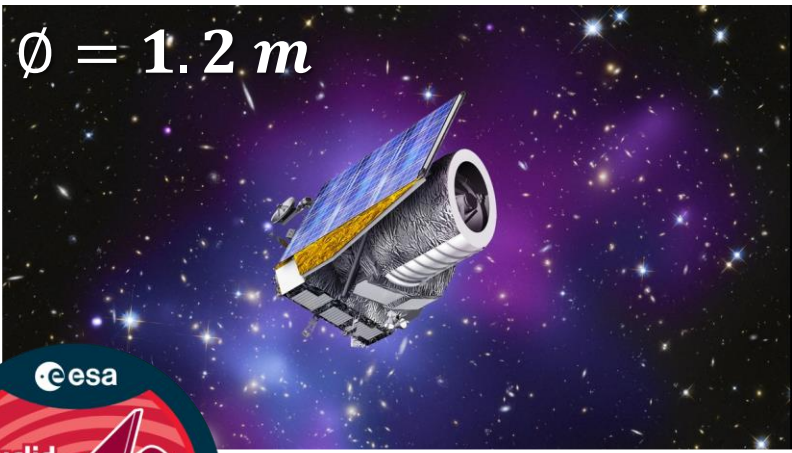
Cosmological constant Λ

- Popular science: vacuum energy is in central **focus of interest** (many articles, books,...)



First pictures of the *EUCLID* mission: 1 week ago

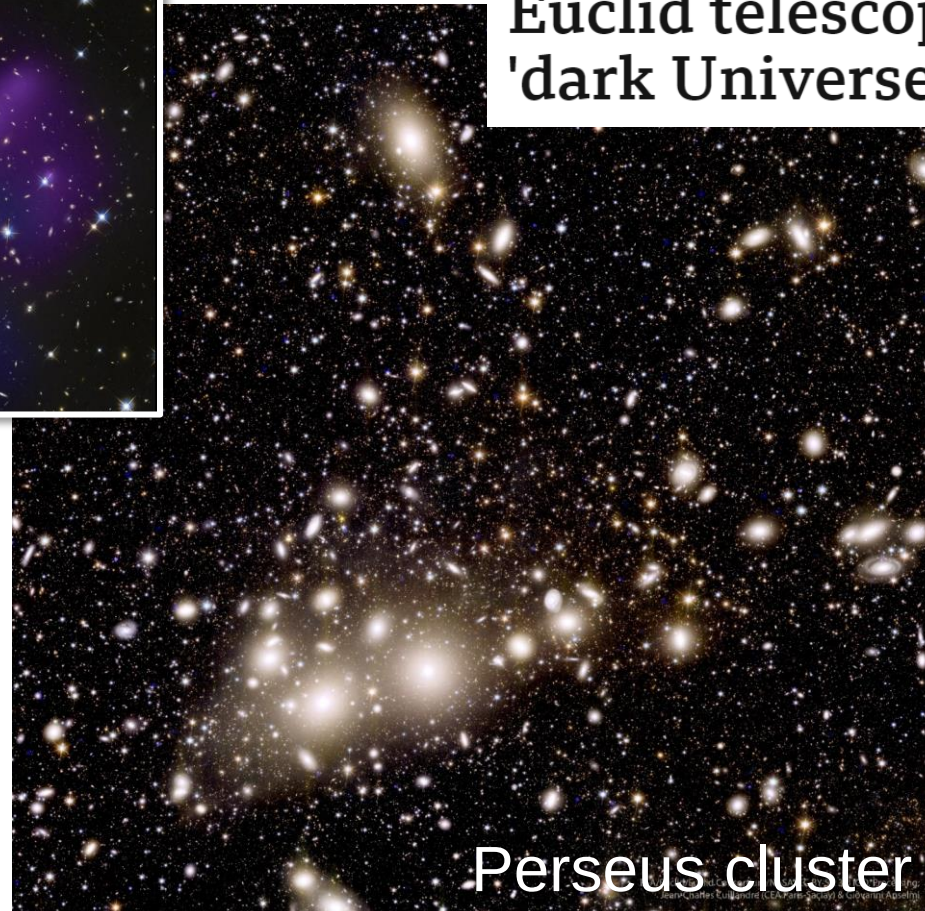
■ Determining the properties of the dark universe by 3D – **galaxy surveys**



Euclid telescope: First images revealed from 'dark Universe' mission



**Euclid's first images:
the dazzling edge of
darkness**



Perseus cluster

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- nature of dark energy?
- nature of dark matter?
- history: $a(t), \dot{a}(t), \ddot{a}(t)$

RELATED TOPIC: THE CASIMIR EFFECT

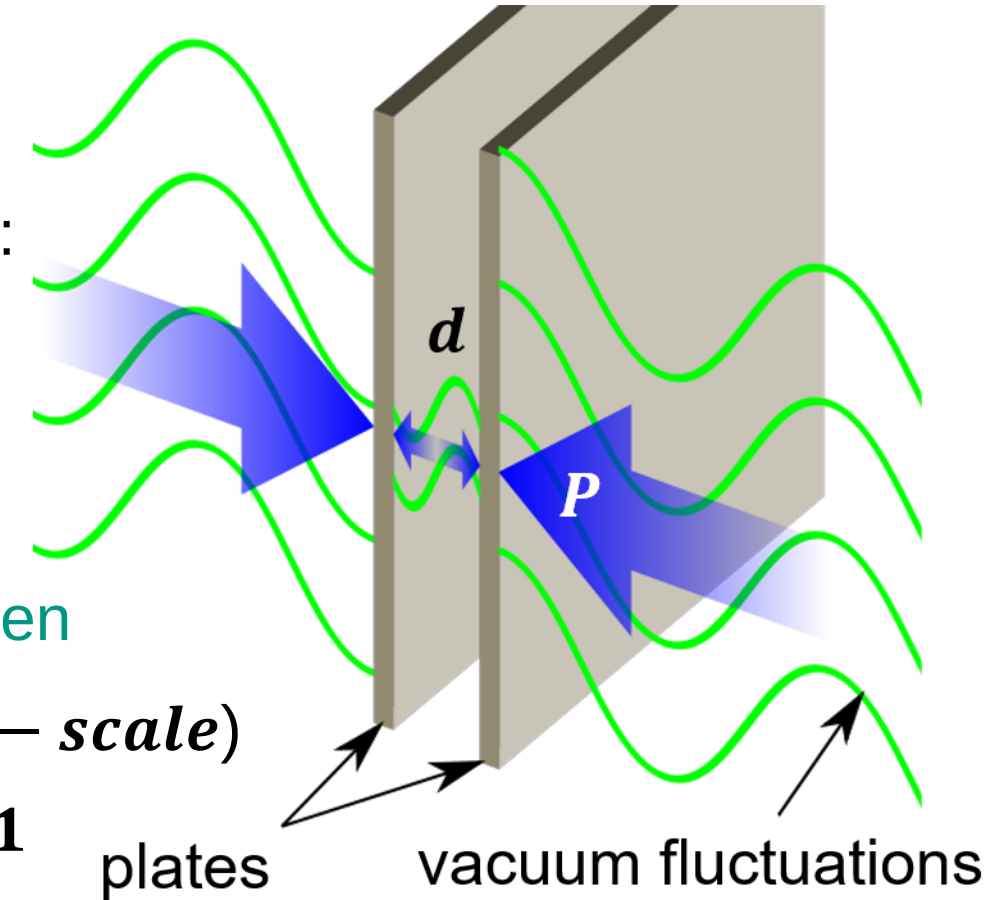
■ An experimental investigation into the **strange properties of the vacuum**

- vacuum is filled with **virtual, short-lived particles** (Heisenberg uncertainty relation)
- two parallel **metal plates** separated by **few nm**: **boundary conditions** at the plate surfaces

- ⇒ impact on electro-magnetic field (**virtual photons**)
- ⇒ **different zero-point energy** inbetween
- ⇒ net force $F \sim 1/d^3$ (**dominant at nm-scale**)
- ⇒ first experimental observation in **2001**



Hendrik Casimir



RELATED TOPIC: THE CASIMIR EFFECT

■ Successful experimental investigations

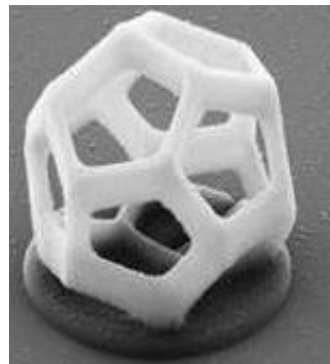
- vacuum is filled with **virtual, short-lived particles** (Heisenberg uncertainty relation)

- Casimir force can now be **measured** by integrated silicon chips (US–Chinese team)

at $d = 11 \text{ nm}$
 $\Rightarrow P = 1 \text{ bar}$



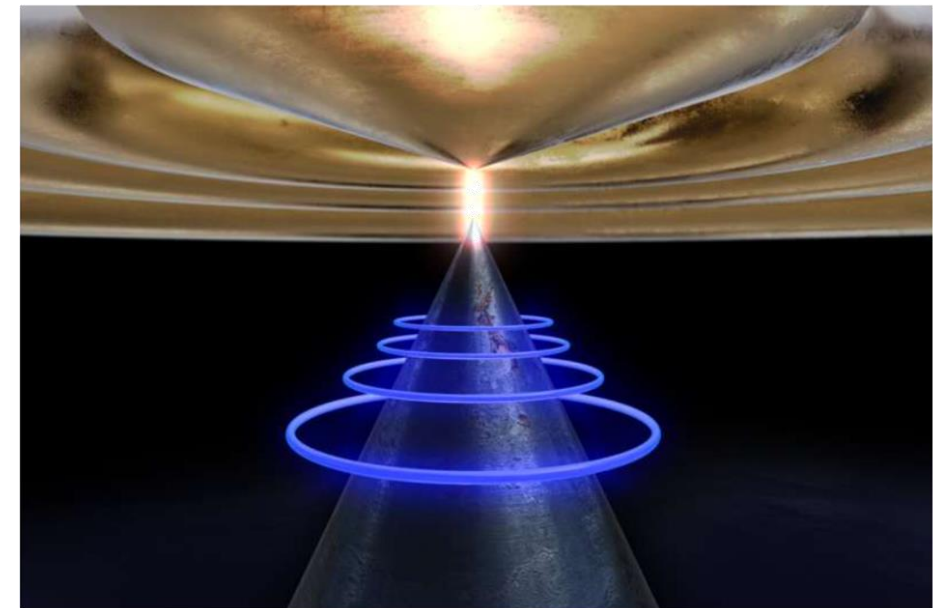
(KIT spin-off)



🕒 AUGUST 4, 2020

Casimir force used to control and manipulate objects

by University of Western Australia



Credit: Jake Art

A collaboration between researchers from the University of Western Australia and the University of California Merced has provided a new way to measure tiny forces and use them to control objects.

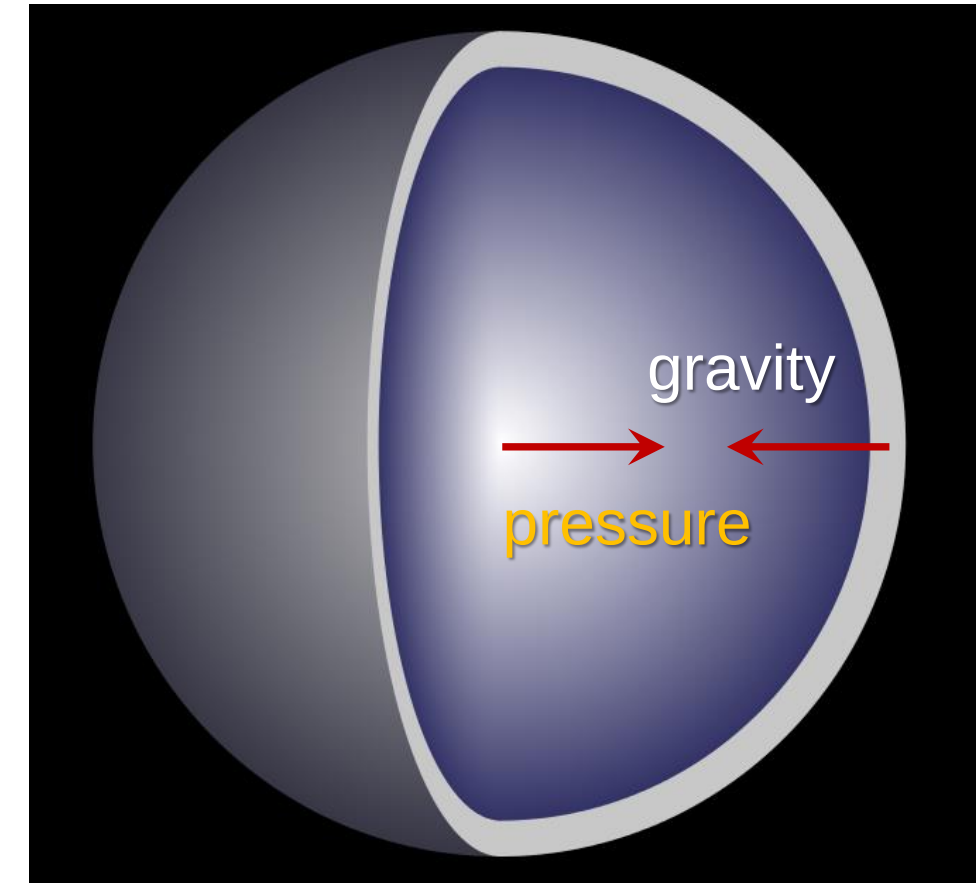
SIDE–TOPIC: PRESSURE AND GRAVITY

■ The other end: extreme pressure inside a compact object (**neutron star**)

- **neutron stars***: extremely compact objects
- radius $R \sim 10 \dots 20 \text{ km}$, mass $M < 2 \dots 3 M_{\odot}$
- very high density $\rho \sim (6 \dots 8) \times 10^{17} \text{ kg/m}^3$



- ‘**degeneracy**’ pressure of neutrons counteracts gravity, but it is itself acting as a source of the objects’ super–strong gravitational field
⇒ **limited masses** of neutron stars



J. Robert Oppenheimer

Friedmann–Lemaître Equations

■ 2 fundamental equations to describe **dynamics of cosmological expansion**

- expansion rates governed by: **matter, radiation, vacuum**
⇒ **total energy density & topology of the universe**



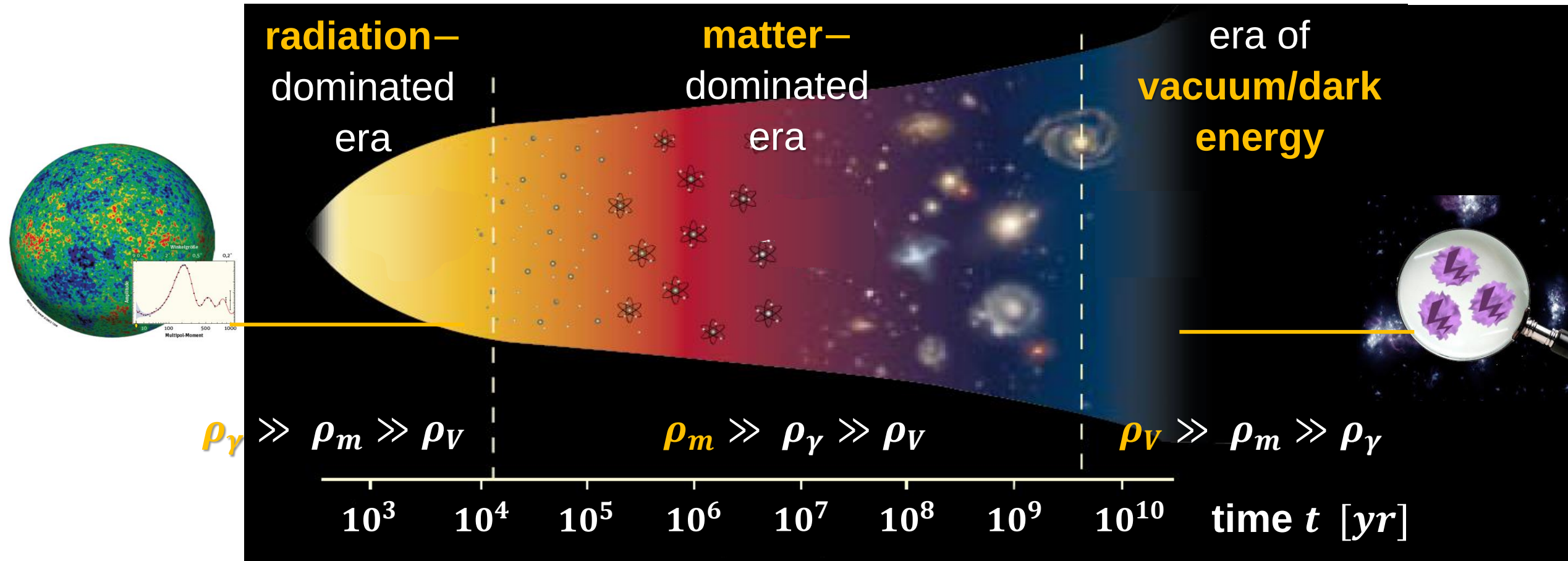
Aleksandr Friedmann
(1888 – 1925)



Georges Lemaître
(1894 – 1966)

Different cosmological epochs & $a(t)$

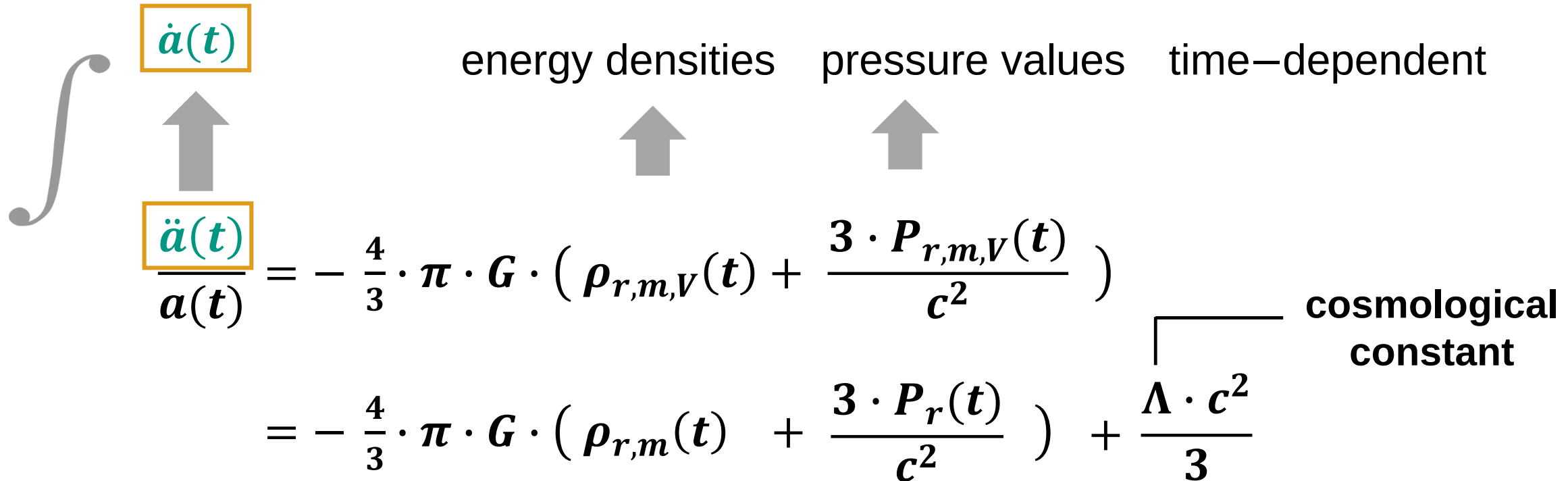
- Radiation / matter / vacuum energy – dominated **cosmological epochs**



Friedmann–Equations for Λ CDM

■ Full picture of the evolution of $a(t)$, $\dot{a}(t)$, $\ddot{a}(t)$ for **all 3 cosmological epochs**

- we will now* start to **integrate** our well-known **acceleration** equation to obtain a relation for the '**velocity**' parameter $\dot{a}(t)$



$$\int \frac{\ddot{a}(t)}{a(t)} = -\frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \left(\rho_{r,m,V}(t) + \frac{3 \cdot P_{r,m,V}(t)}{c^2} \right) + \frac{\Lambda \cdot c^2}{3}$$

energy densities pressure values time-dependent

cosmological constant

Friedmann–Equations for CDM

■ picture of the evolution of $a(t)$, $\dot{a}(t)$, $\ddot{a}(t)$ for epoch of matter dominance

- we now focus on the second epoch, where **pressure–less matter** is dominant at around $t \approx 10^4 \text{ yr}$ after the Big Bang

$$\int \ddot{a}(t) \, dt = \dot{a}(t)$$

energy densities

↑

pressure values

↑

$$\frac{\ddot{a}(t)}{a(t)} = -\frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot (\rho_m(t) + \frac{3 \cdot P_m(t)}{c^2})$$

- **pressure–free**: as $P_m \ll \rho_m \cdot c^2$ (‘dust’)
with thermal velocities only $v_m \ll c$

$$P_m = 0$$



Friedmann–Equations for CDM

- Let's do some maths: integrate to obtain the second expansion equation

$$\ddot{a}(t) = -\frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \rho(t) \cdot a(t) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \ddot{a}(t) = -\frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \rho_0 \cdot \frac{1}{a^2(t)} \quad | \quad \times 2 \cdot \dot{a}(t)$$



$$\rho(t) = \frac{\rho_0}{a^3(t)}$$

$$\ddot{a}(t) \cdot 2 \cdot \dot{a}(t) = -\frac{2 \cdot 4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \rho_0 \cdot \frac{\dot{a}(t)}{a^2(t)}$$



integration

k : integration
constant

$$\dot{a}^2(t) = -\frac{8}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \rho_0 \cdot \left(\frac{-1}{a(t)} \right) - k c^2$$



Friedmann–Equations: we're (almost) done...

■ Second Friedmann Expansion Equation

$$\dot{a}^2(t) = -\frac{8}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \rho_0 \cdot \left(\frac{-1}{a(t)} \right) - kc^2 \quad \text{re-use: } \rho_0 = \rho(t) \cdot a^3(t)$$

$$\dot{a}^2(t) = \frac{8}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \rho(t) \cdot a^2(t) - kc^2 \quad | : a^2(t)$$

$$H^2(t) = \left(\frac{\dot{a}(t)}{a(t)} \right)^2 = \frac{8}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \rho(t) - \frac{kc^2}{a^2(t)}$$

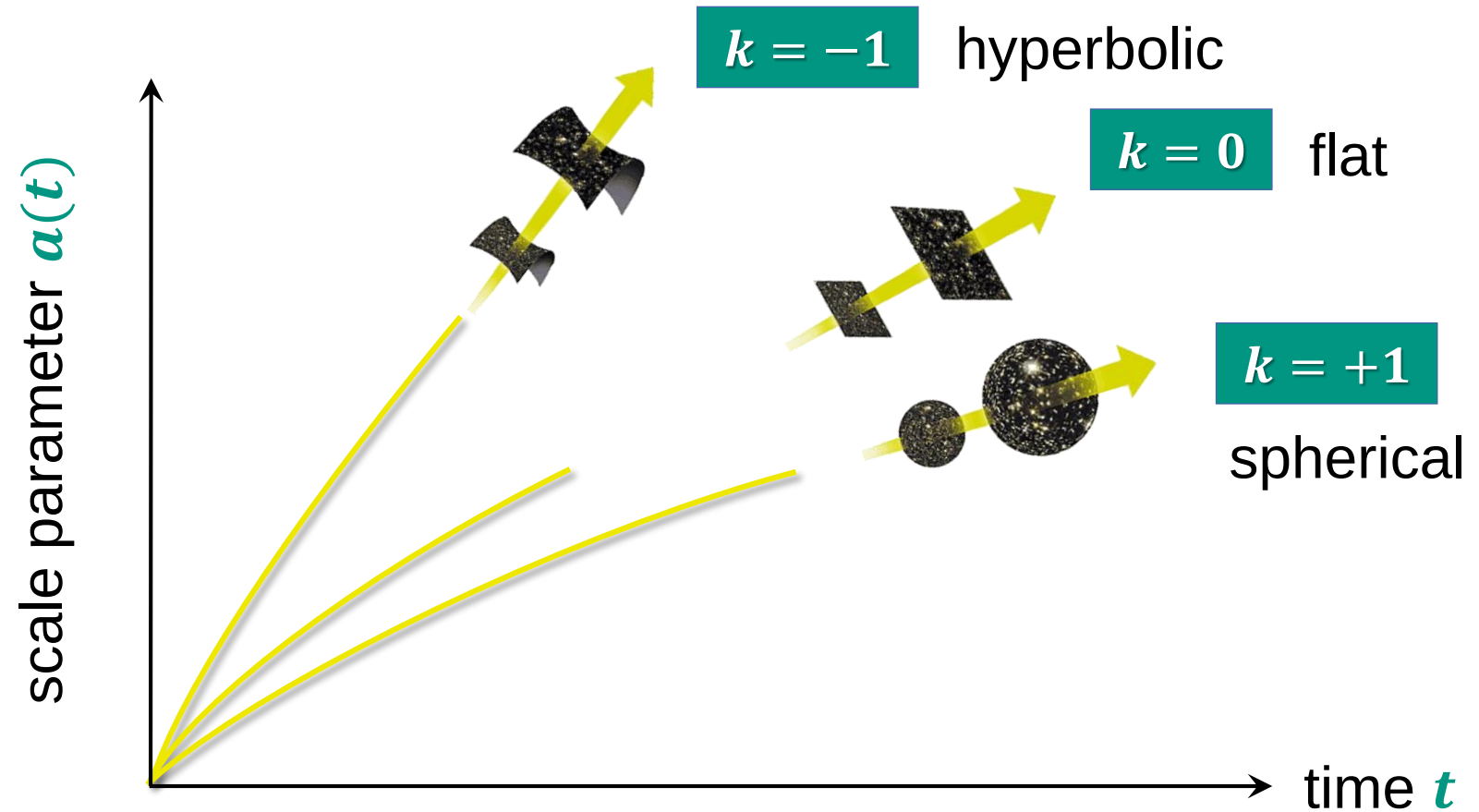
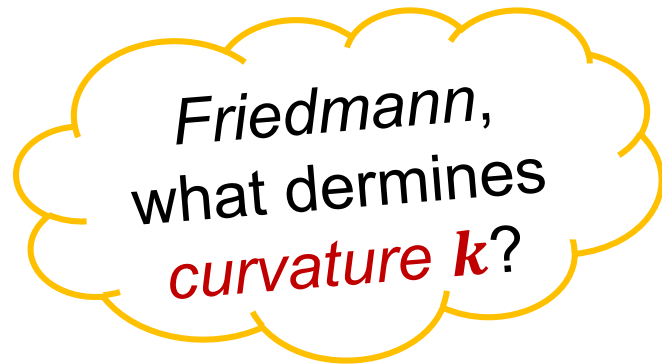
curvature k
of the universe

- allows to calculate **Hubble parameter $H^2(t)$** for **CDM** epoch



Topology and overall energy density

- Curvature parameter k 'from integration': impact on scale parameter $a(t)$



Topology and overall energy density: some math

- To see which parameter is determining k let's use co-moving coordinates x

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}(t)}{a(t)}\right)^2 - \frac{8}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \rho(t) = -\frac{k c^2}{a^2(t)} \quad | \cdot \frac{a(t)^2}{2}$$

$$\frac{\dot{a}(t)^2}{2} - \frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \rho(t) \cdot a(t)^2 = -\frac{k \cdot c^2}{2}$$

$$\frac{\dot{r}(t)^2}{2 \cdot x^2} - \frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \rho_0 \cdot \frac{x}{r(t)} = -\frac{k \cdot c^2}{2}$$

$$\rho(t) = \frac{\rho_0}{a^3(t)} = \rho_0 \cdot \frac{x^3}{r^3(t)}$$

$$a(t) = \frac{r(t)}{x}$$

$$\dot{a}(t) = \frac{\dot{r}(t)}{x}$$

Topology and overall energy density: some math

- parameter k : expression within unit sphere in co-moving coordinates x

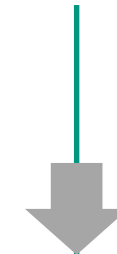
$$\frac{\dot{r}(t)^2}{2 \cdot x^2} - \frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \rho_0 \cdot \frac{x}{r(t)} = -\frac{k \cdot c^2}{2}$$

$$\frac{\dot{r}(t)^2}{2} - G \cdot \frac{M(x)}{r(t)} = -\frac{k \cdot c^2}{2} \cdot x^2$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{\dot{r}(t)^2}{2}} - G \cdot \underbrace{\frac{M}{r(t)}} = -\underbrace{\frac{k \cdot c^2}{2}}$$

$$E_{kin} + E_{pot} = E_{tot}$$

$| \cdot x^2$



$$M(x) = \frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot \rho_0 \cdot x^3$$

for unit sphere

$$x \equiv 1$$

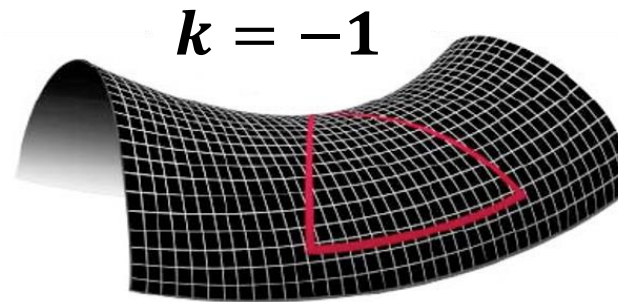
$$M = M(x)$$

Topology and overall energy density: curvature k

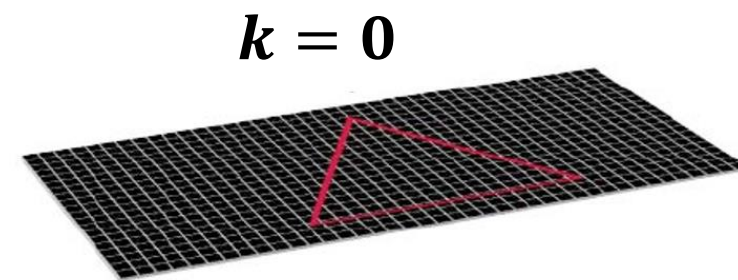
■ Curvature k of the universe is determined by its **total energy** E_{tot}

constant k	curvature	topology	total energy
$k = -1$	hyperbolic	open	$E_{tot} > 0$
$k = 0$	euclidean	flat	$E_{tot} = 0$
$k = +1$	spherical	closed	$E_{tot} < 0$

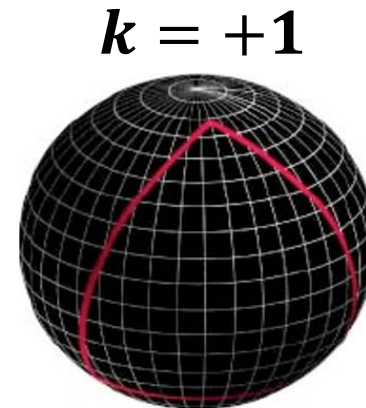
Friedmann, well done, but you use my gravity & calculus



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$$E_{tot} = 0$$

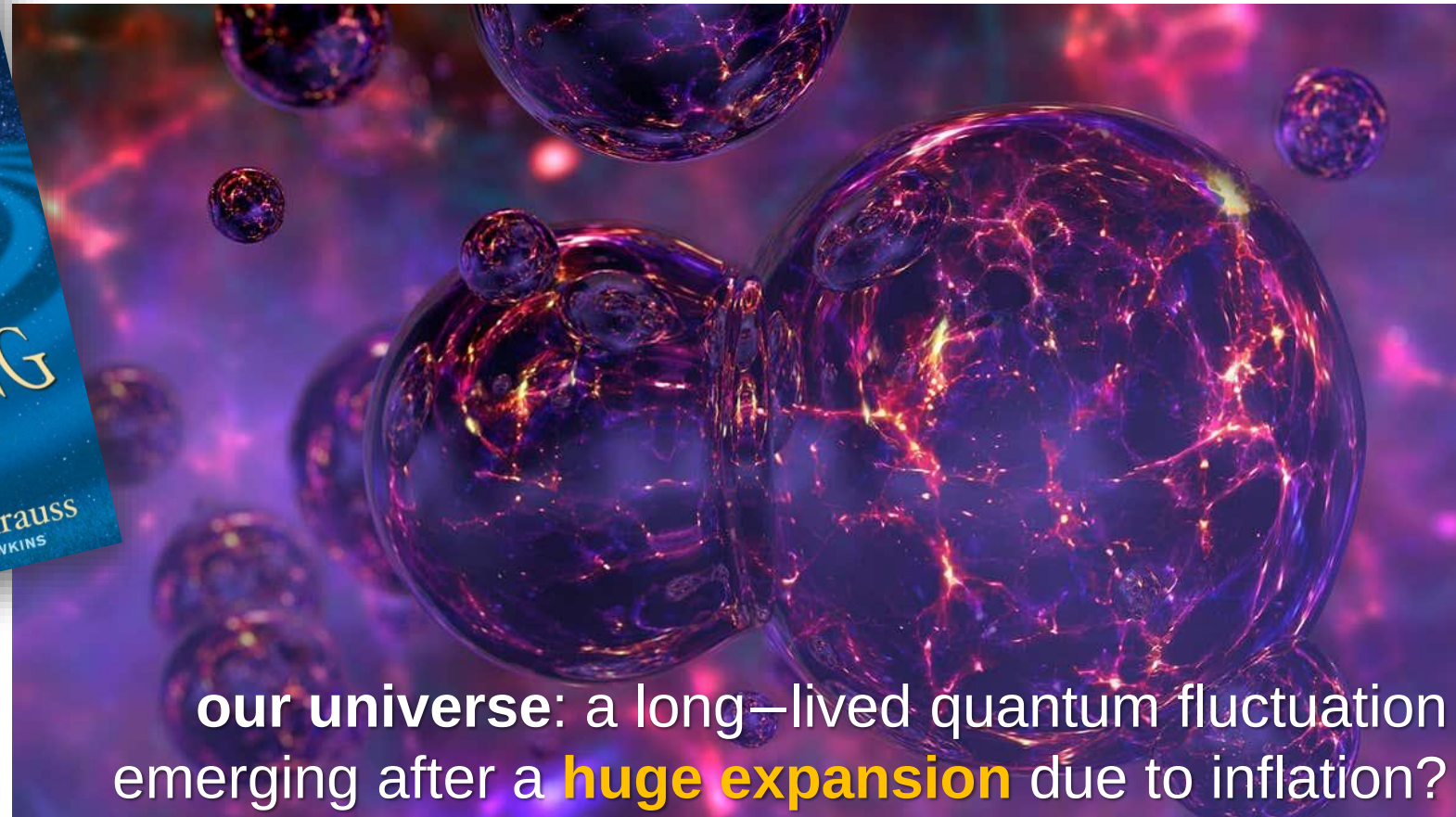
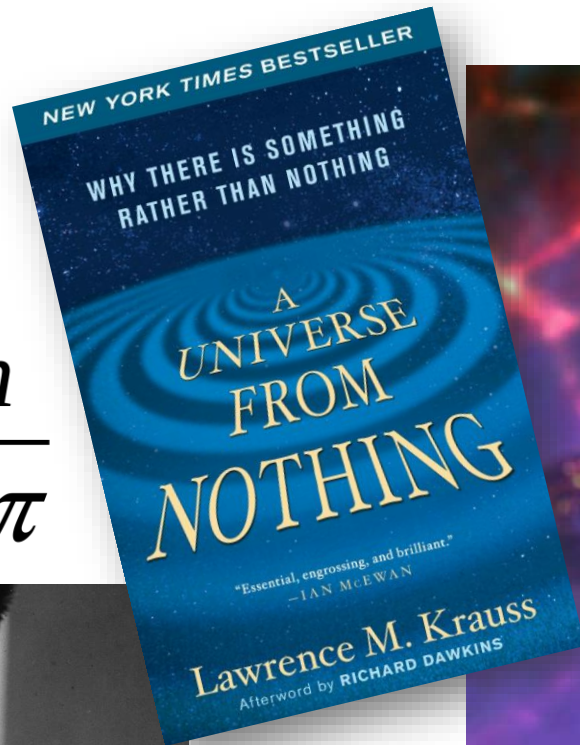


$$E_{tot} < 0$$

Topology and overall energy density

■ Heisenberg uncertainty relation in view of the total energy of the universe

$$\begin{array}{c} \approx 0 \\ | \\ \Delta E \Delta t \leq \frac{h}{2\pi} \\ | \\ \approx \infty \end{array}$$



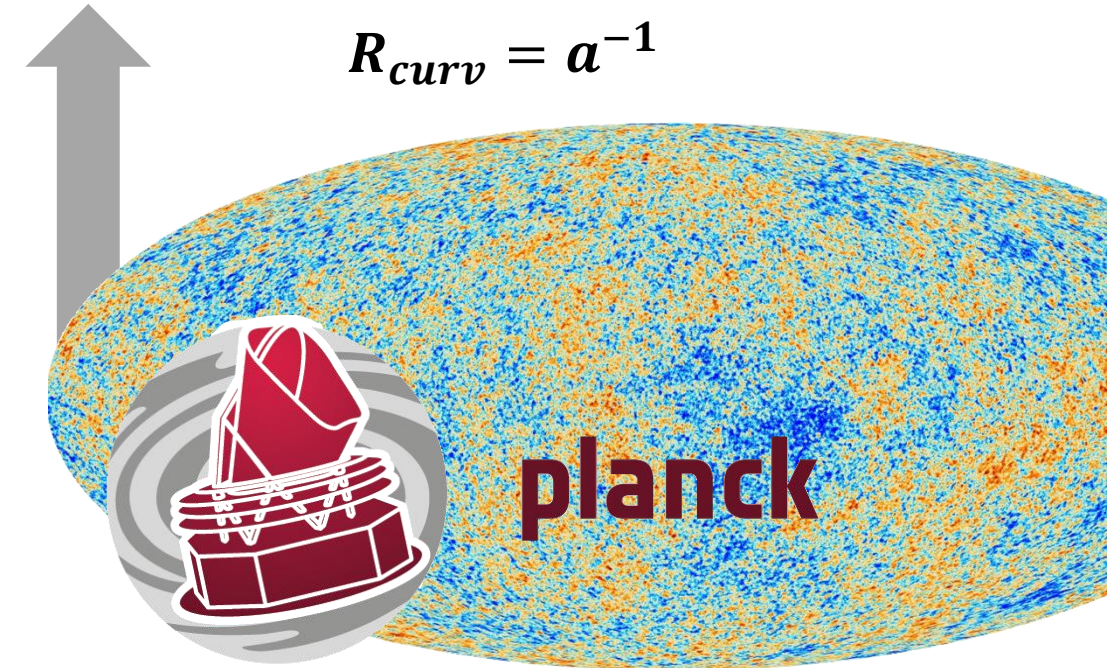
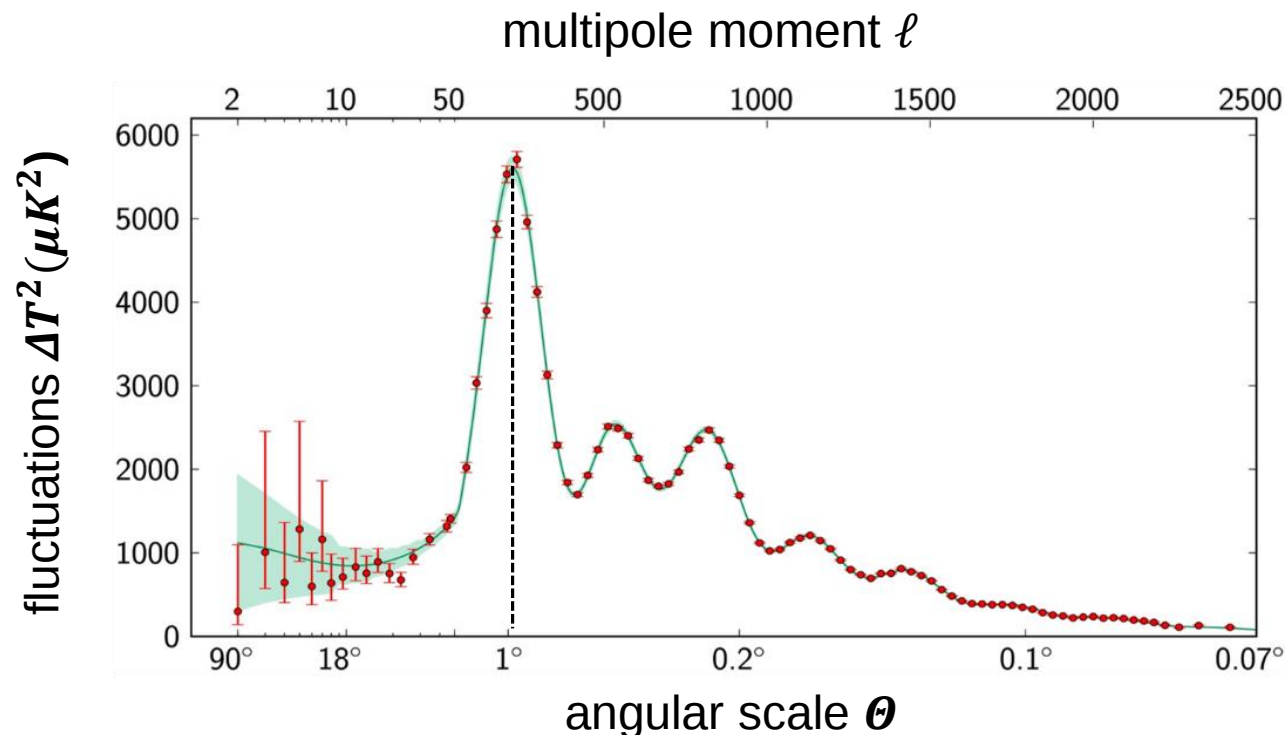
Topology and overall energy density

■ 2015 findings of the *Planck* satellite mission: a universe without curvature

- analysis of the *CMB* **multipole distribution***
curvature $k = 0$ (Ω_k) from 1. peak at $\ell \sim 200$

$$\Omega_k = \frac{-kc^2}{H_0^2 \cdot R_{curv}^2} = 0.000 \pm 0.005$$

$$R_{curv} = a^{-1}$$



overall energy density & inflationary cosmology

■ 2015 findings of the *Planck* satellite vs. expectation from theory of inflation

- inflation theory:

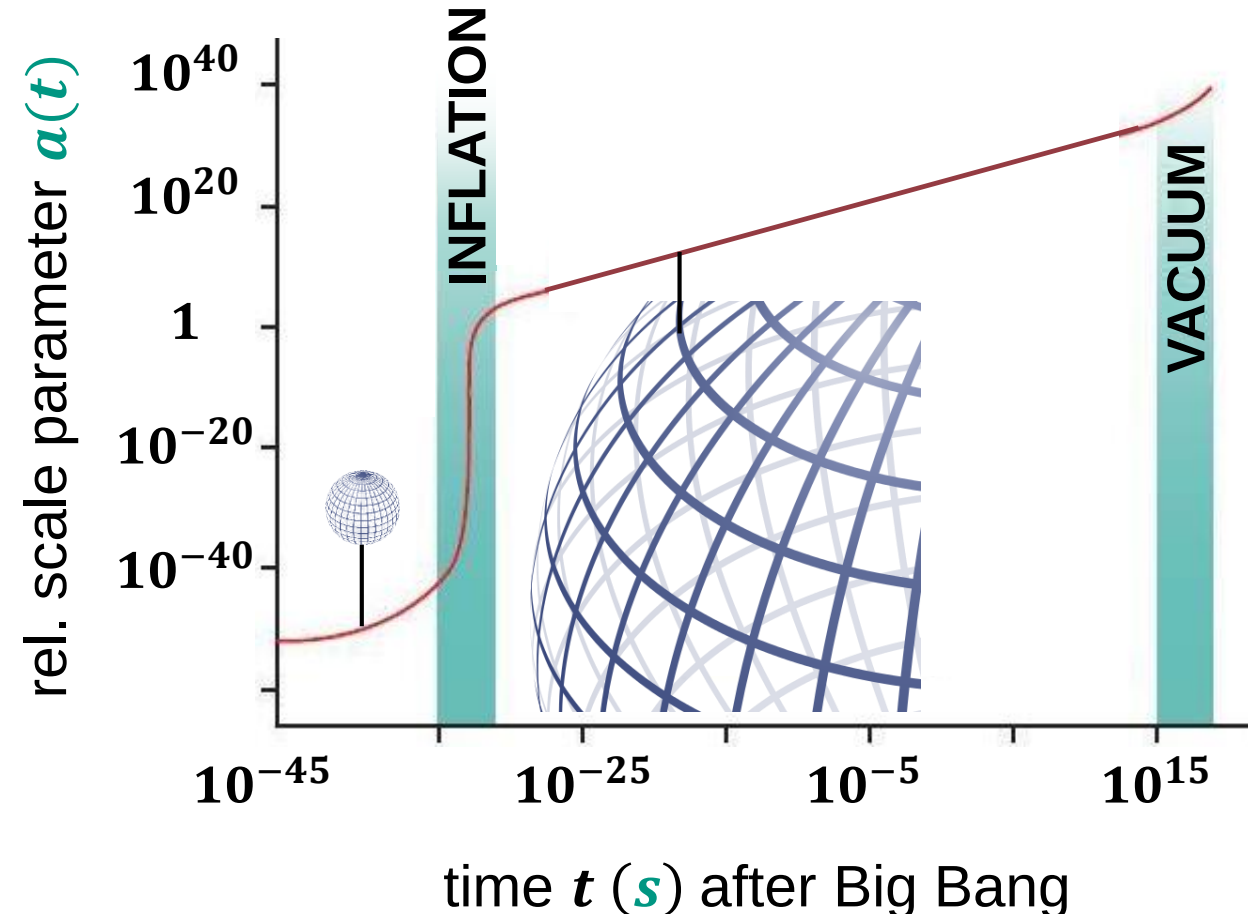
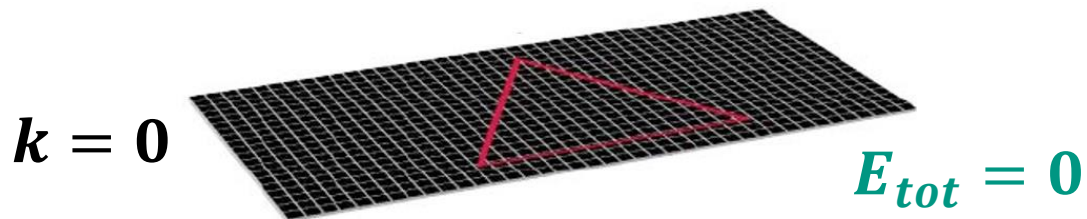
exponential increase of size $a(t)$ of universe at time $t = 10^{-36} \dots 10^{-32} \text{ s}$ due to **evolution of a scalar field**

⇒ typical expansion factor $\gg 10^{26}$

⇒ **flat space, no curvature**

- observational fact (*Planck*, 2015):

⇒ space is **flat** to $\sim 0.5\%$



Topology and overall energy density

■ 2018 findings of the *Planck* satellite mission: a universe with curvature??

- analysis of *CMB* radiation using **lensing effect***

Article | Published: 04 November 2019

Planck evidence for a closed Universe and a possible crisis for cosmology

Eleonora Di Valentino, Alessandro Melchiorri  & Joseph Silk

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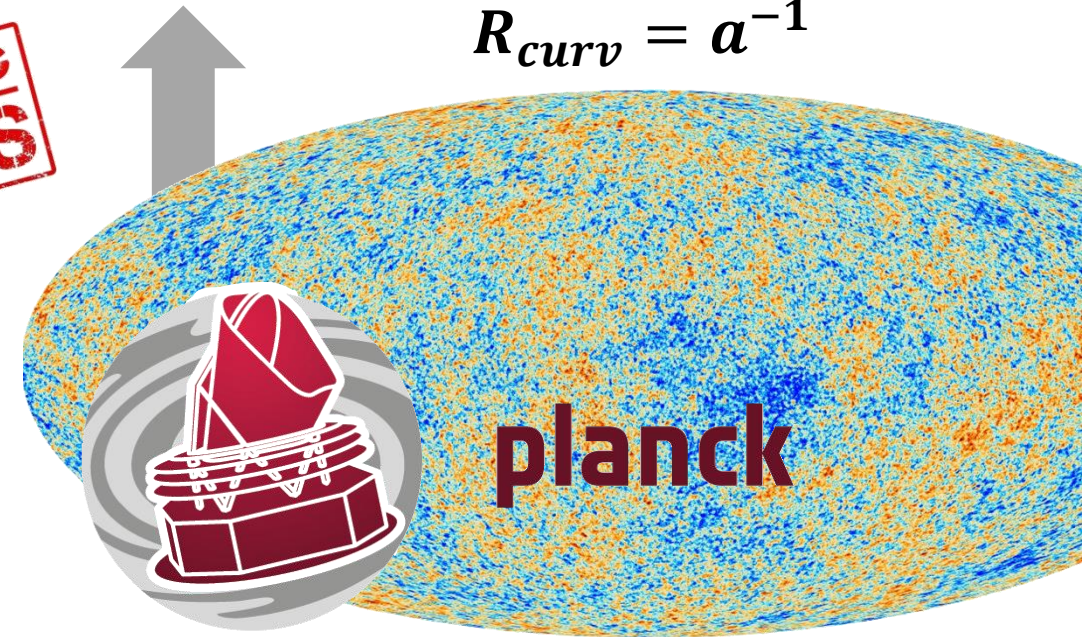
Abstract

The recent Planck Legacy 2018 release has confirmed the presence of an enhanced lensing amplitude in cosmic microwave background power spectra compared with that predicted in the standard Λ cold dark matter model, where Λ is the cosmological constant. A closed Universe can provide a physical explanation for this effect, with the Planck cosmic microwave background spectra now preferring a positive curvature at more than the 99% confidence level. Here, we further investigate the evidence for a closed Universe from Planck, showing that positive curvature naturally explains the anomalous lensing

$$\Omega_k = -0.007 \dots - 0.095$$

(99% *CL*)

$$R_{\text{curv}} = a^{-1}$$



inflationary cosmology: accelerated masses

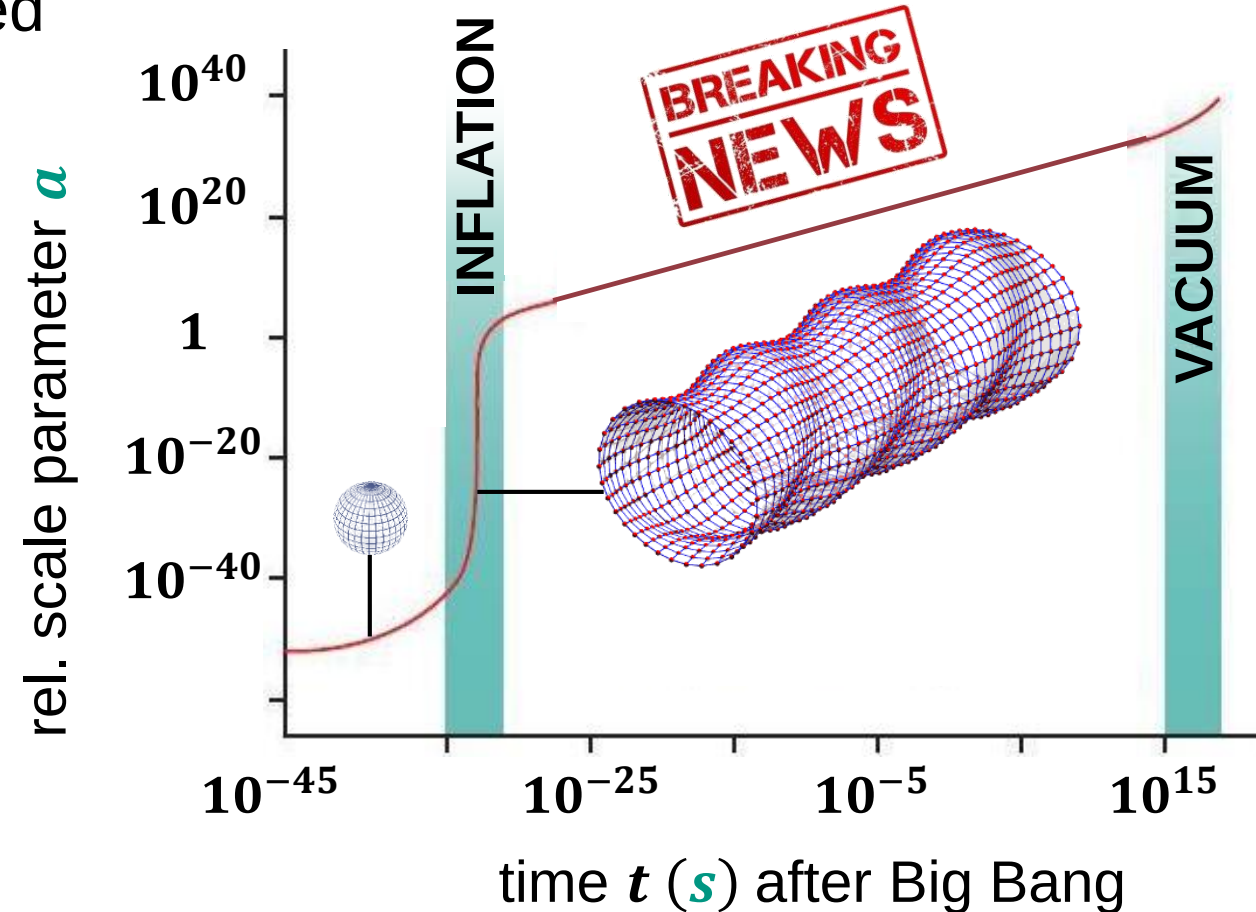
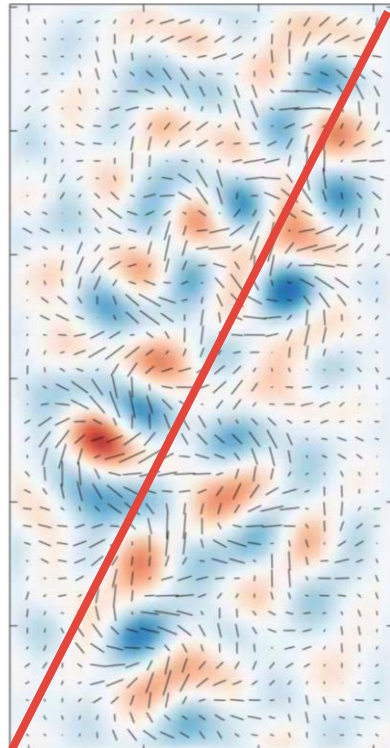
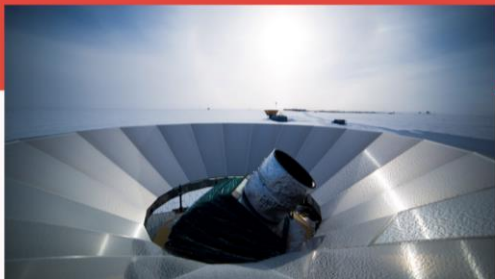
■ 2021 update from *BICEP3* vs. expectation from the theory of inflation

- inflationary epoch should have produced specific GW^* signal: but **no detection!**

BICEP3 tightens the bounds on cosmic inflation

10/26/21 | By Nathan Collins

A new analysis of the South Pole-based telescope's observations has all but ruled out several popular models of inflation.



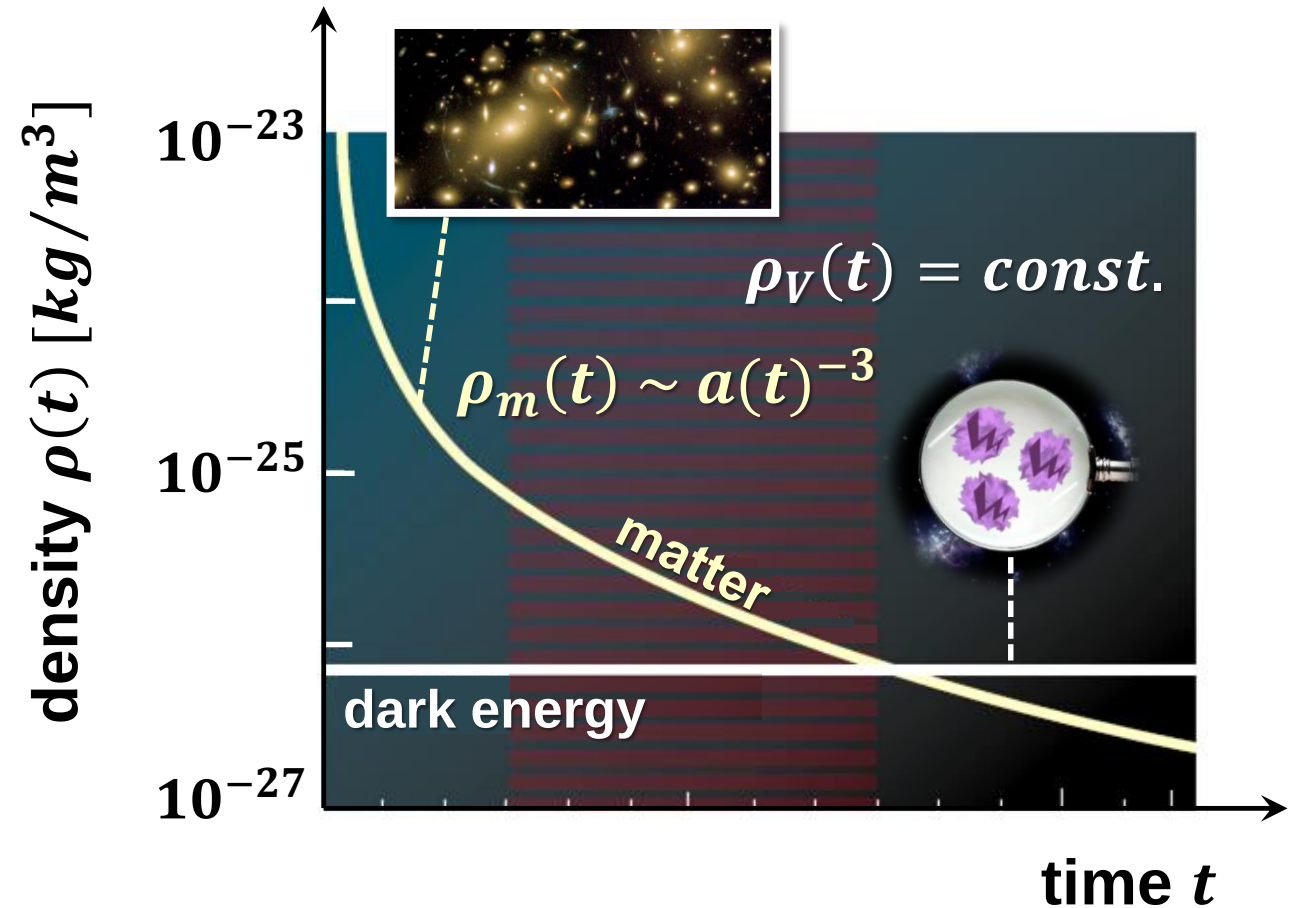
Friedmann equations for a flat CDM universe

- Second expansion equation: development of $\rho(t)$ over cosmic time scales t

$$H^2(t) = \left(\frac{\dot{a}(t)}{a(t)} \right)^2$$
$$= \frac{8}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \rho_m(t)$$

$$H(t) \sim \sqrt{\rho_m(t)}$$

- we now need to account for the vacuum energy (Λ)



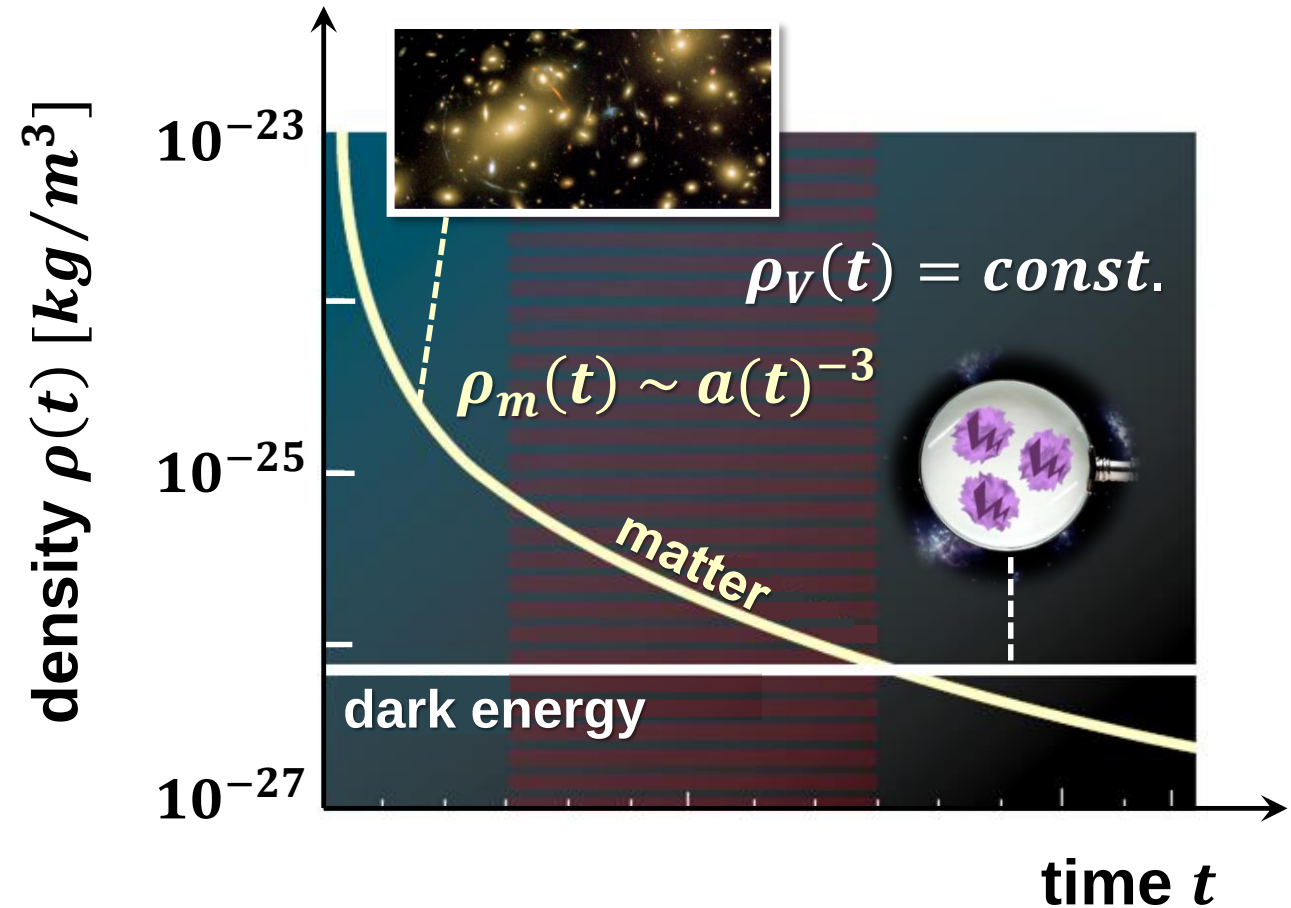
Friedmann equations for a flat Λ CDM universe

■ Second expansion equation taking into account the cosmological constant

$$\frac{\ddot{a}(t)}{a(t)} = + \frac{\Lambda \cdot c^2}{3}$$

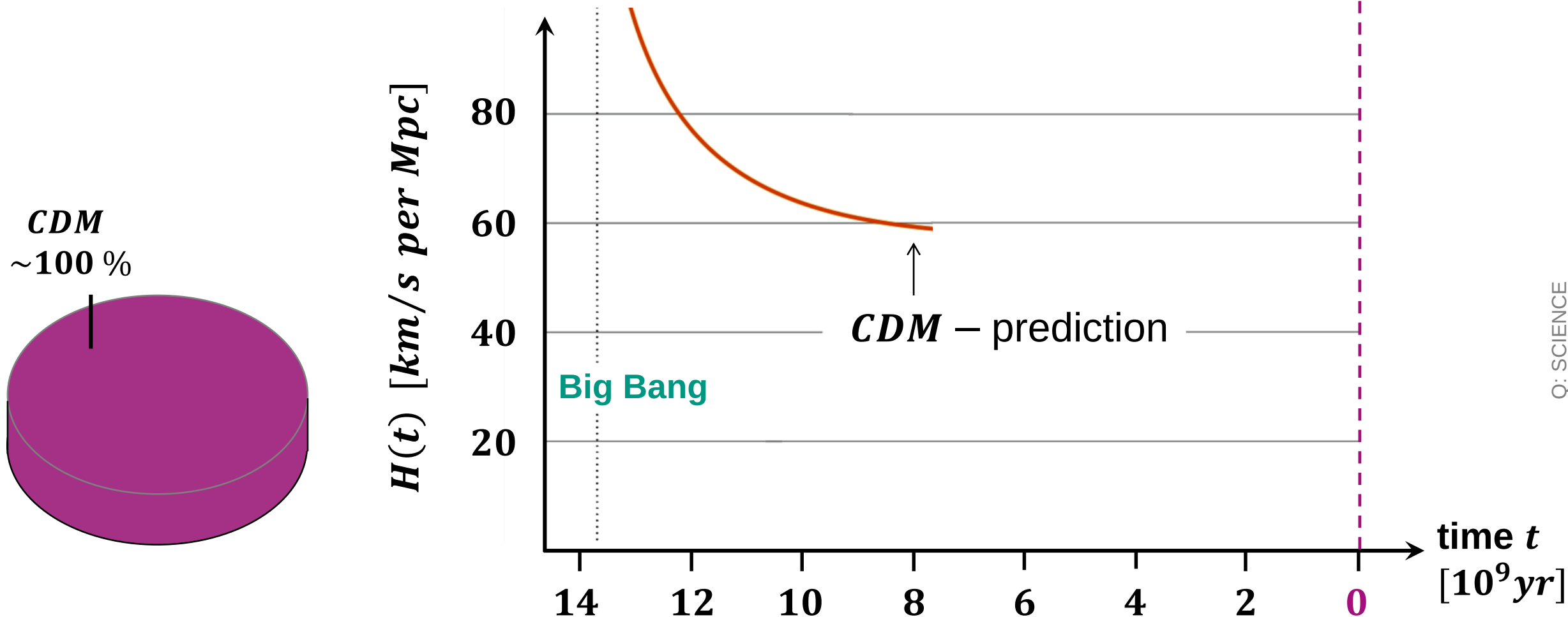
cosmological
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- integration introduces an additional term for $H(t)$ which is dominant at present



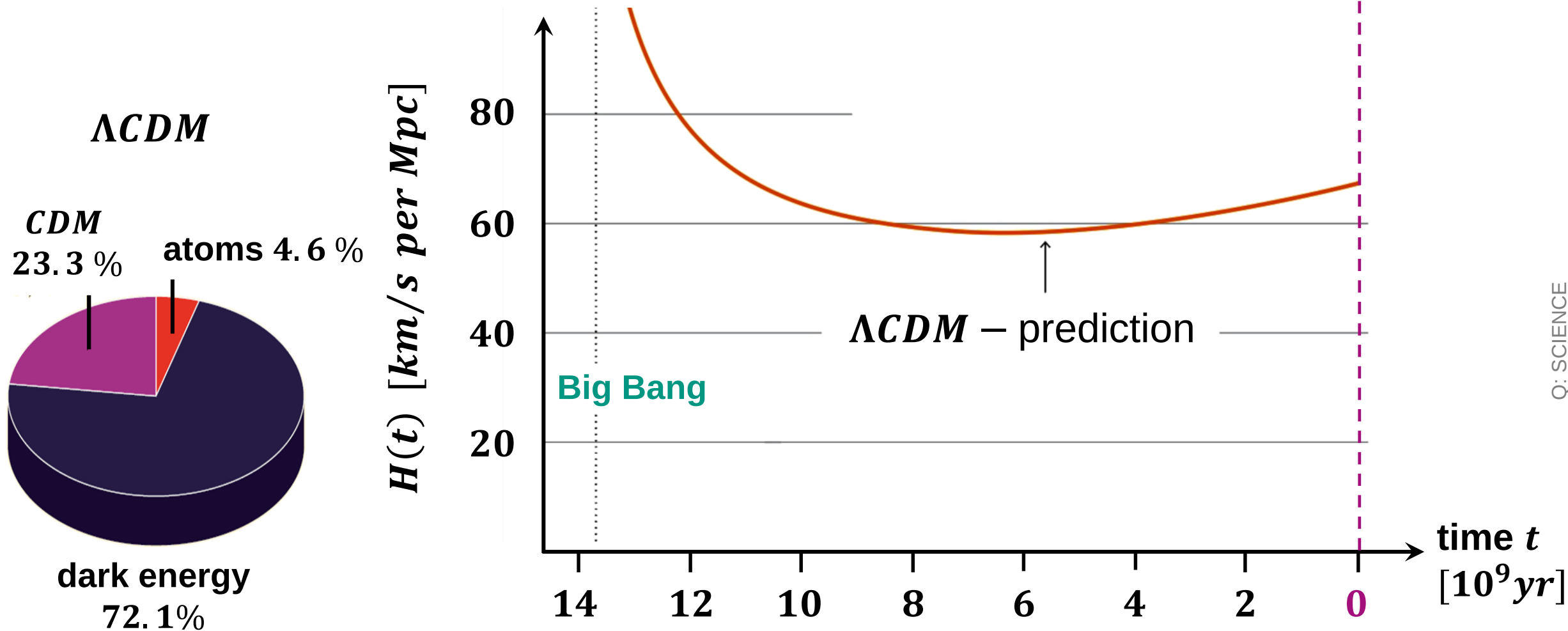
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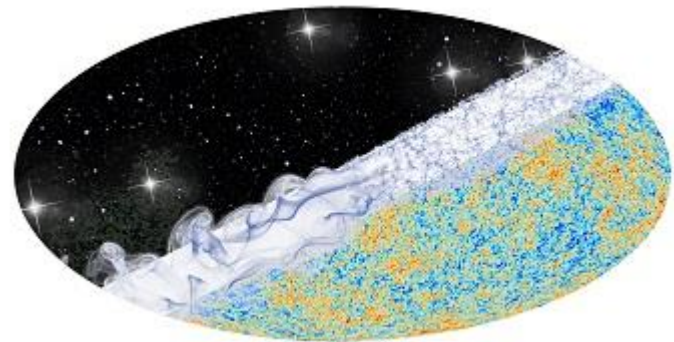
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Calculated values of $H(t)$ and today's H_0

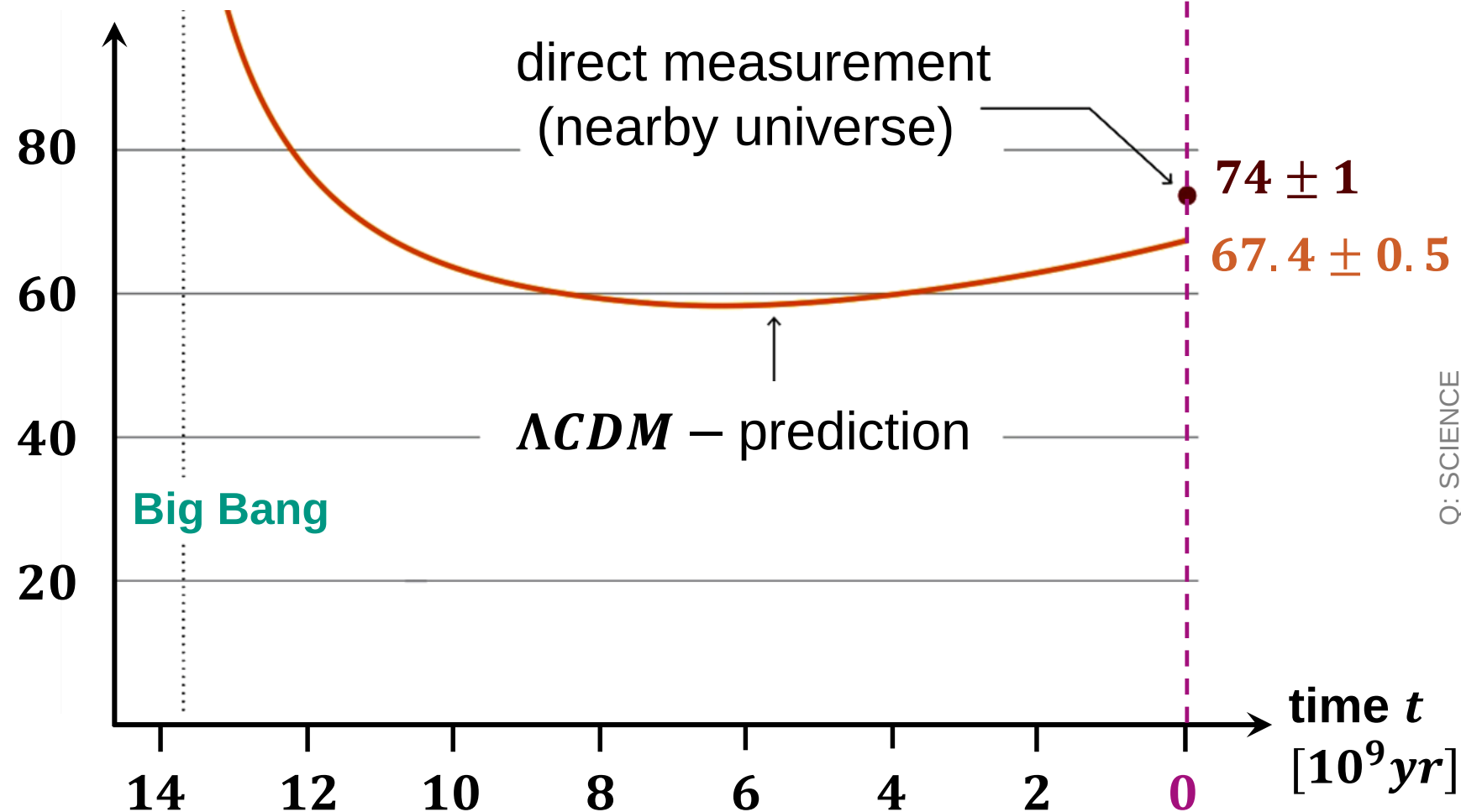
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nearby
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CMB data +
 Λ CDM

$H(t)$ [km/s per Mpc]

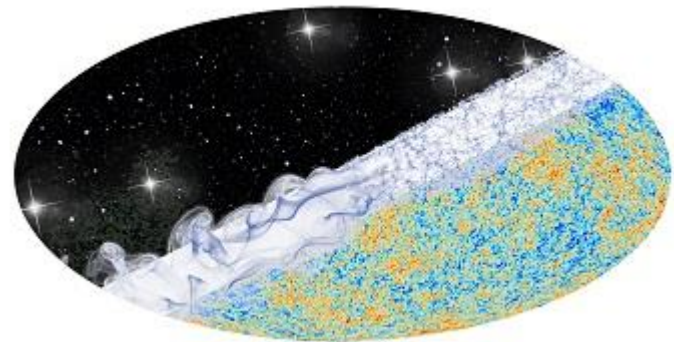


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Hubble tension*: 'true' value of H_0

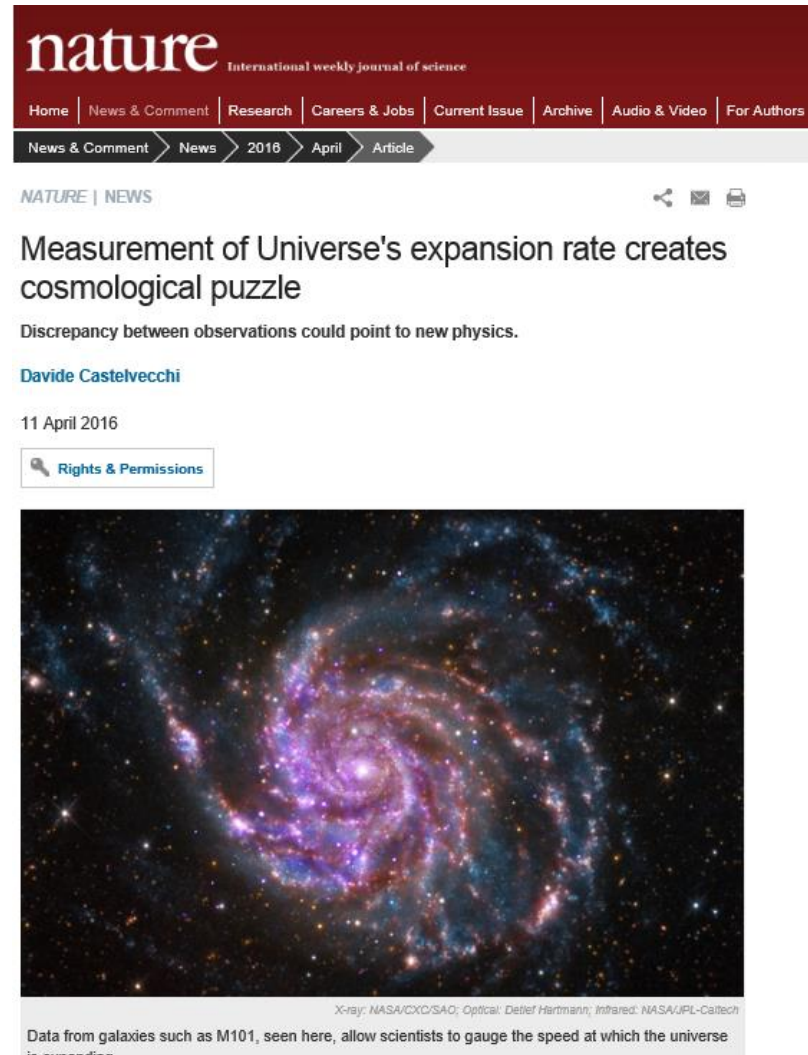
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CMB data +
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is it the final answer?



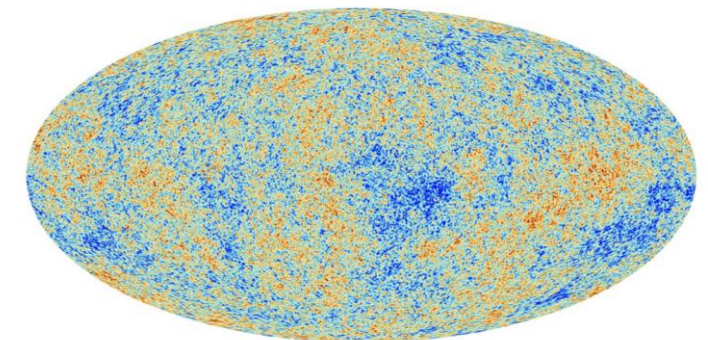
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The universe's puzzlingly fast expansion may defy explanation, cosmologists fret

The controversial “Hubble tension” promises deep insight but, like dark matter and dark energy, could remain just another mystery

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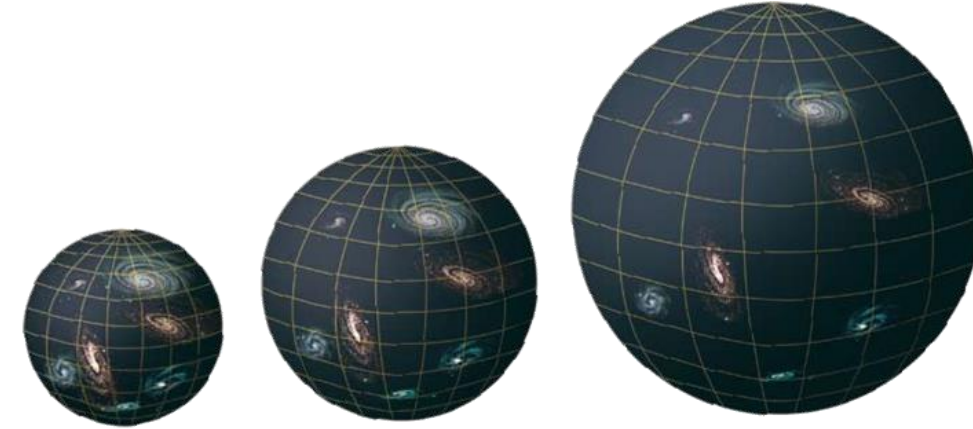


Friedmann Equations, cosmological constant Λ

■ The two equations governing the cosmological evolution

expansion equation for $k = 0$

$$H^2(t) = \left(\frac{\dot{a}(t)}{a(t)} \right)^2 = \frac{8}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \rho_{m,\gamma}(t) + \frac{\Lambda c^2}{3}$$



acceleration equation for $k = 0$

$$\frac{\ddot{a}(t)}{a(t)} = -\frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \left(\rho_{m,\gamma}(t) + \frac{3 \cdot P_{m,\gamma}(t)}{c^2} \right) + \frac{\Lambda c^2}{3}$$



Aleksandr
Friedmann

Different cosmological epochs & $a(t)$

■ Radiation / matter / vacuum energy – dominated cosmological epochs

- evolution of **scale parameter $a(t)$** calculated with Friedmann equations

dominant part	equation–of–state	density	scale parameter
radiation	$P_r = + 1/3 \cdot \rho_r c^2$	$\rho_r \sim a^{-4}$	$a(t) \sim t^{1/2}$
matter	$P_m \cong 0$	$\rho_m \sim a^{-3}$	$a(t) \sim t^{2/3}$
vacuum energy	$P_V = -1 \cdot \rho_V c^2$	$\rho_V = \text{const.}$	$a(t) \sim e^{\alpha \cdot t}$



Λ

constant density
 $\rho_V = 3.6 \text{ GeV}/m^3$

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\Lambda/3}$$

**exponential
increase**

Afterthought #1: matter–dominated, flat universe

■ Hypothetical assumption: present, flat universe that contains only baryons

- flat universe ($k = 0$), no vacuum energy ($\Lambda = 0$)
- critical energy density ρ_c for a flat universe with baryons only:

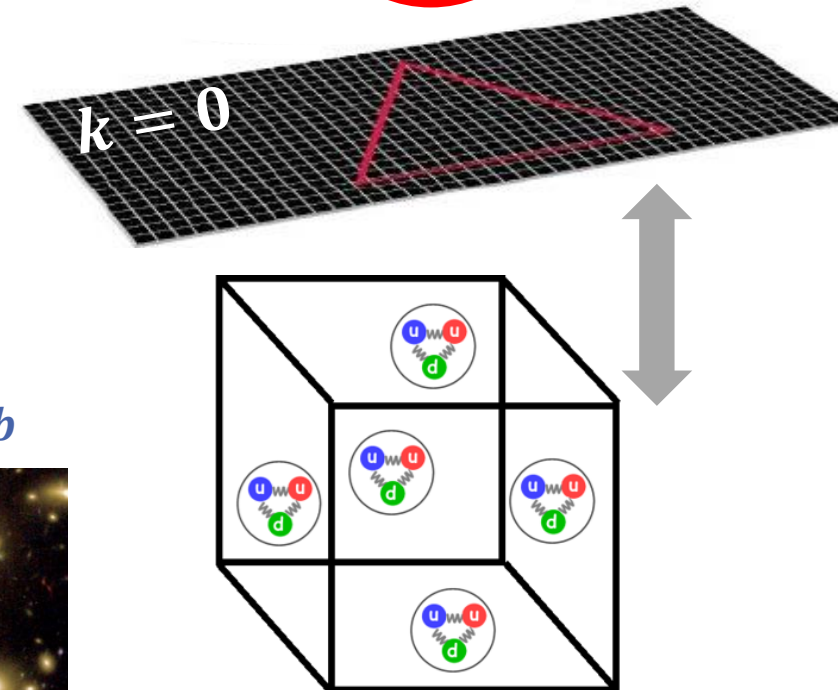
$$\rho_c = \frac{3}{8 \cdot \pi \cdot G} \cdot H_0^2 = 9.2 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$= 5.1 \text{ GeV/m}^3 \text{ (i.e. } \sim 5 \text{ protons per } m^3)$$

■ our present universe features a baryon density ρ_b

$$\rho_b = 0.2 \text{ GeV/m}^3$$

(i.e. $\rho_b < 5\%$ of ρ_c)



Afterthought #2: Hubble time t_H – definition

- Hubble time t_H is based on a scenario* with **uniform** expansion rate H_0

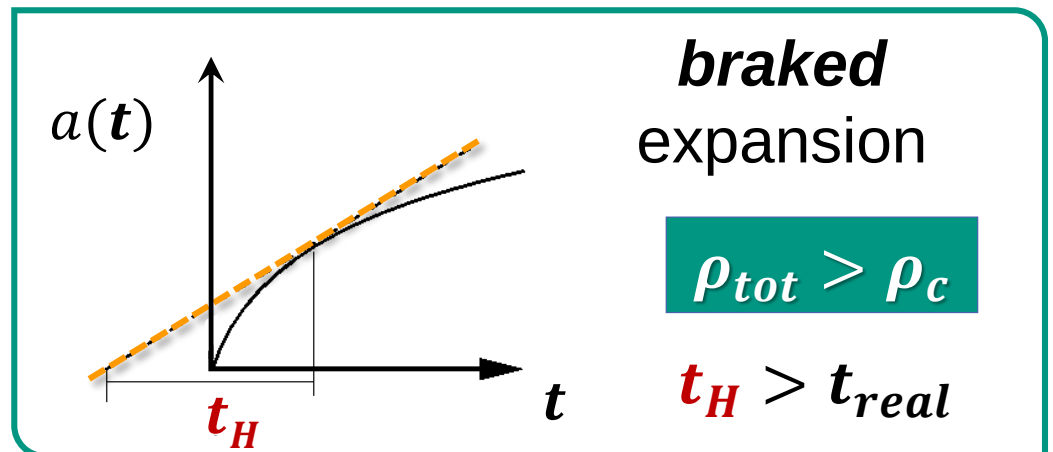
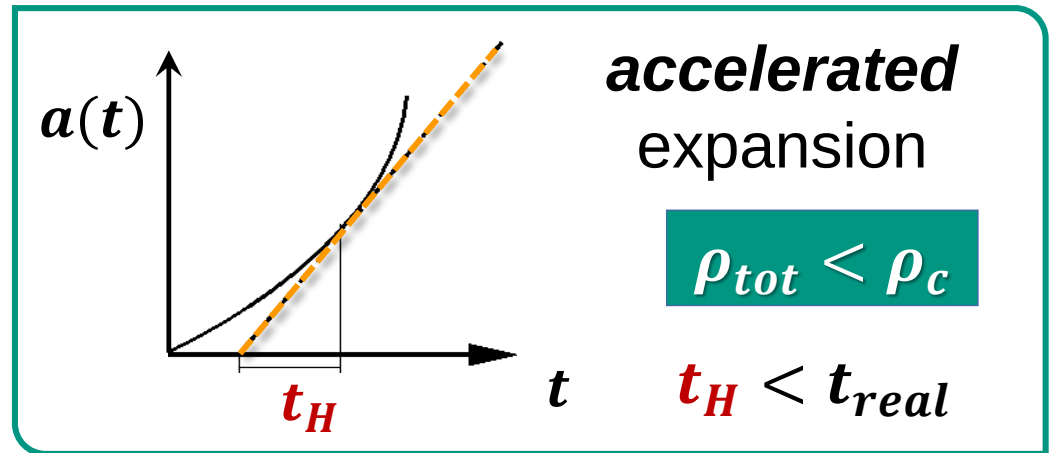
scenario: $H(t) = \text{const.} = H_0$

$$t_H = \frac{1}{H_0}$$

$$H_0 = \frac{72 \text{ km/s}}{\text{Mpc}} = 2.3 \cdot 10^{-18} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

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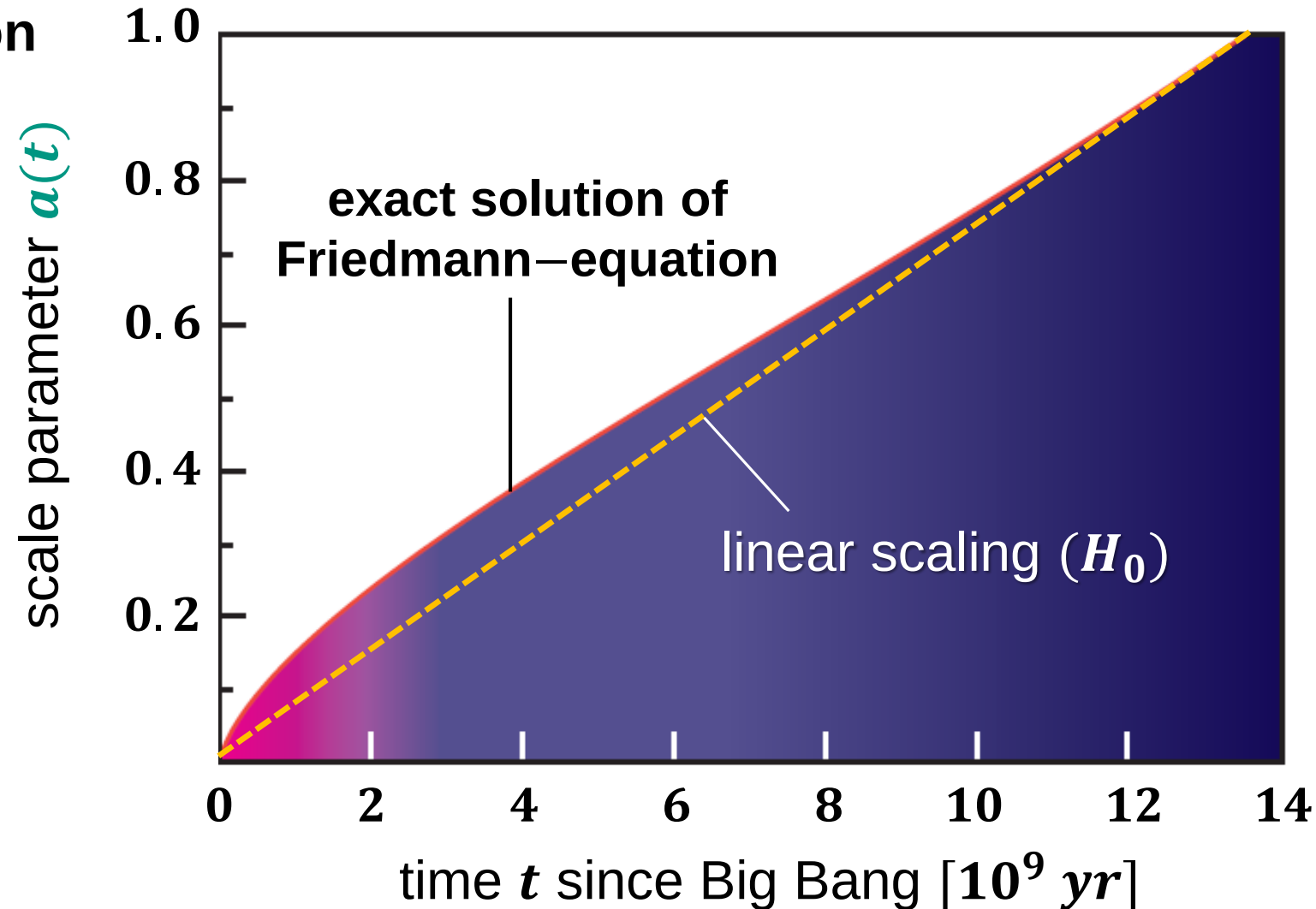
$$t_H = 13.8 \cdot 10^9 \text{ yr}$$



Afterthought #2: Hubble time t_H & H_0

■ Linear and actual expansion rate of our universe

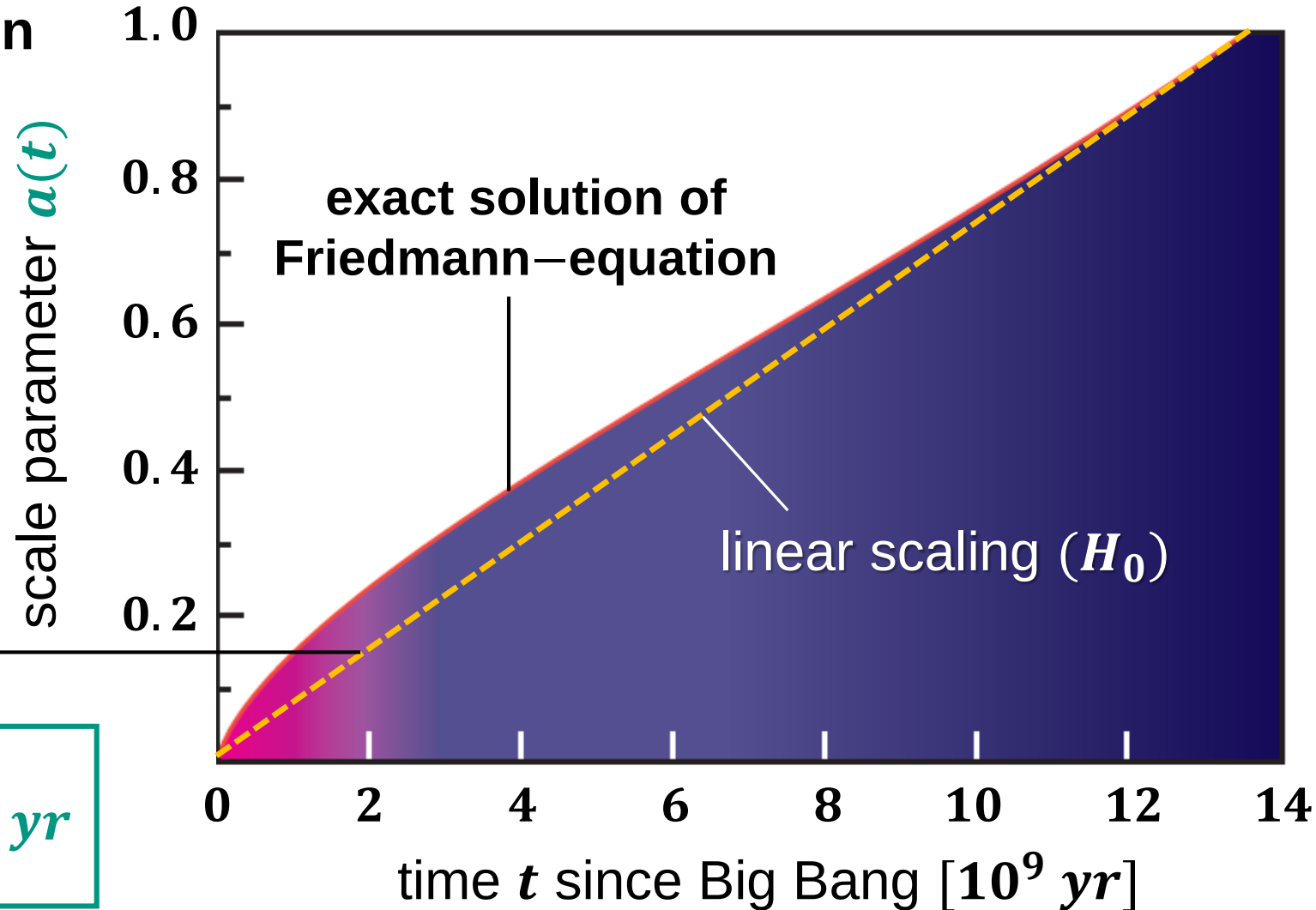
- surprise:
rather good approximation of $a(t)$ by a **linear increase** using present value of H_0
- exact Friedmann solution:
at first **braked expansion** ($\ddot{a}(t) < 0$), now **accelerated expansion** with $\ddot{a}(t) > 0$



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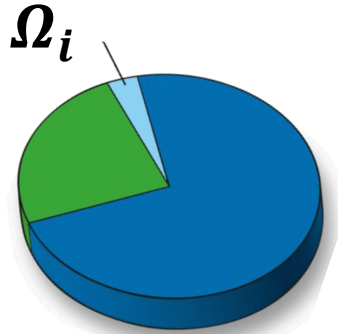
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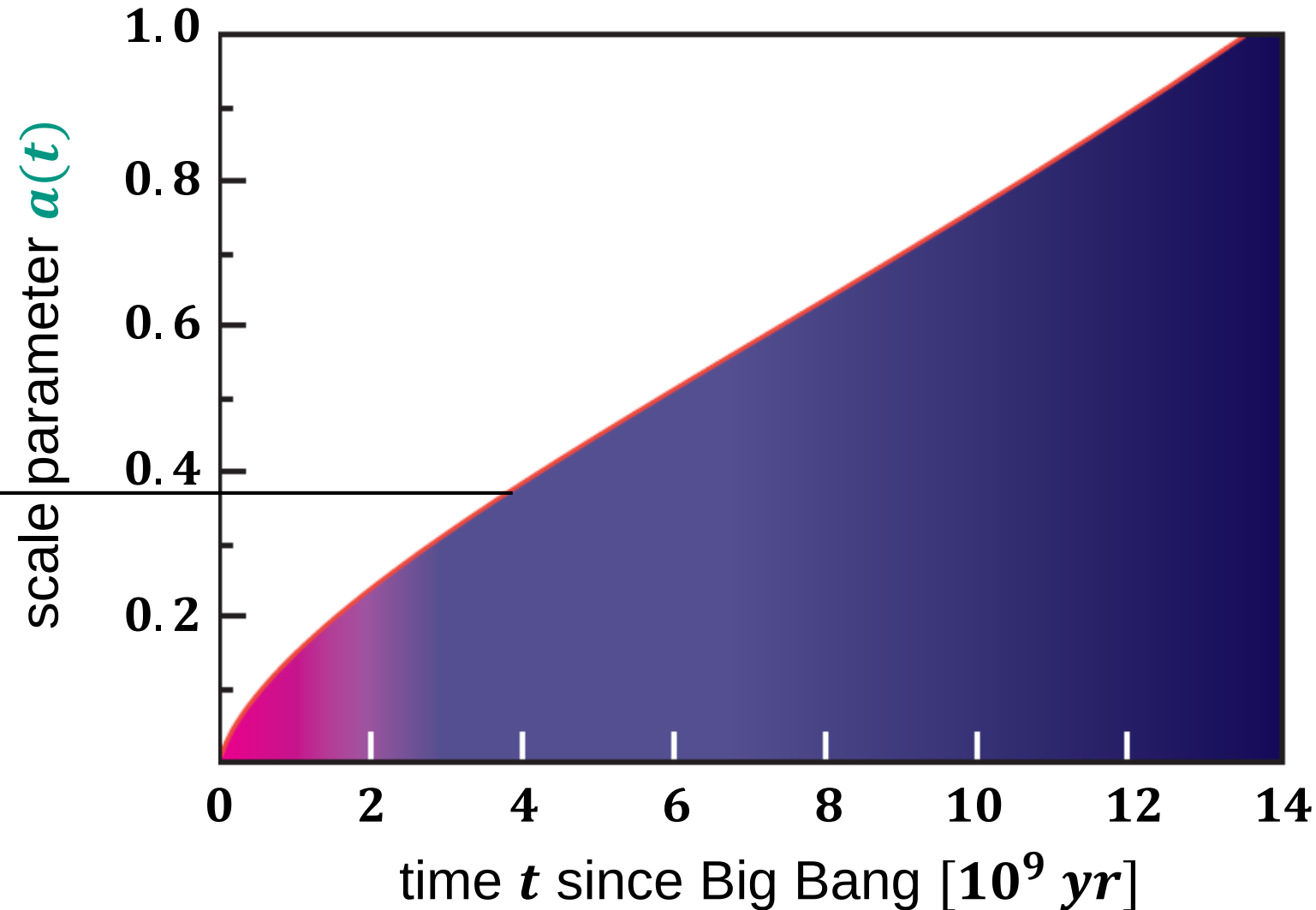
Actual expansion rate $a(t)$ & Ω_i

■ describing expansion $a(t)$



- 4 contributions Ω_i
to $\Omega_{tot} = 1$

$$\frac{H(t)^2}{H_0^2} = \Omega_r \cdot a^{-4} + \Omega_m \cdot a^{-3} + \Omega_V + \Omega_k \cdot a^{-2}$$



Building a Standard Model of cosmology

■ Dimensionless density parameters Ω_i

- Ω_i are a dimensionless parameters, given by ratio of **actual density** ρ_i relative to **critical critical density** ρ_c for a **flat universe**

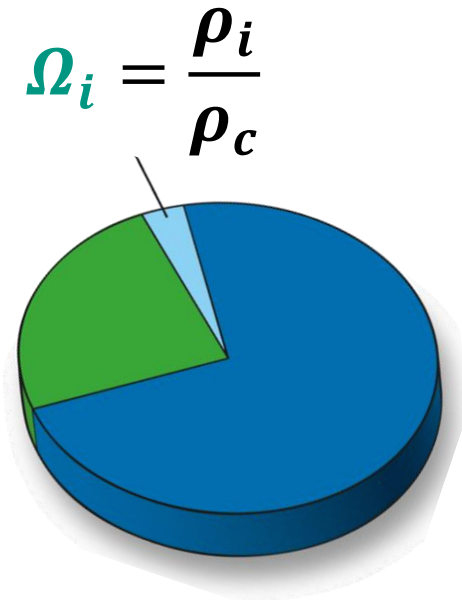
$$\Omega_i = \frac{\rho_i}{\rho_c} = \frac{8\pi \cdot G}{3 H_0^2} \cdot \rho_i$$

- $\Omega_{tot} = \sum \rho_i = 1$ for a flat universe with $E_{tot} = 0$

■ Summing up all density parameters Ω_i

- contributions: matter – radiation – vacuum – curvature $k \neq 0$

$$\Omega_{tot} = \Omega_m + \Omega_\gamma + \Omega_V + \Omega_k$$



Hubble expansion $H(t)$: *CosmoCalc* – a very useful app

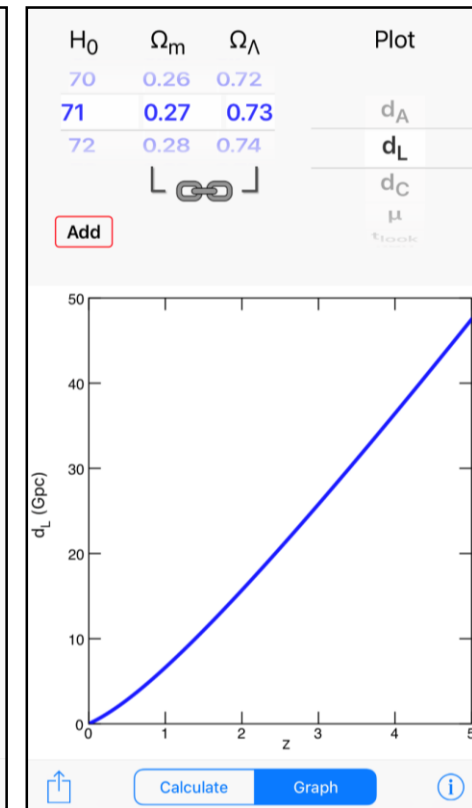
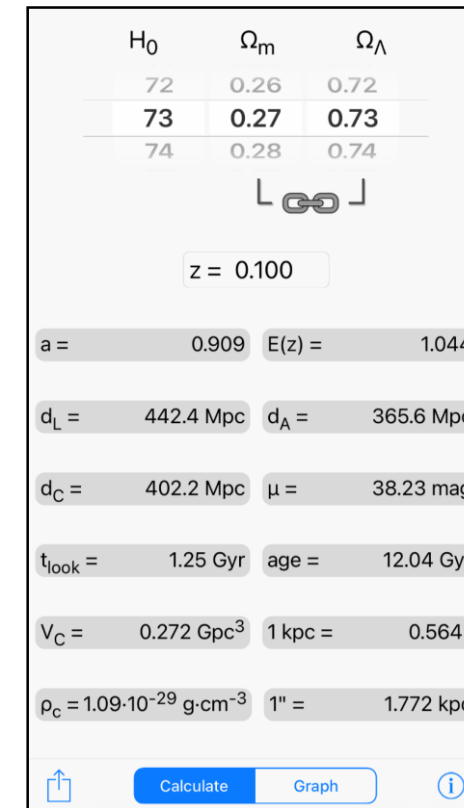
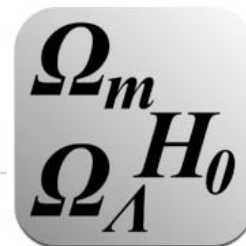
■ Cosmological parameters & their implications: an app for your smartphone

- select **your model universe** & see its properties

CosmoCalc App for *iOS*

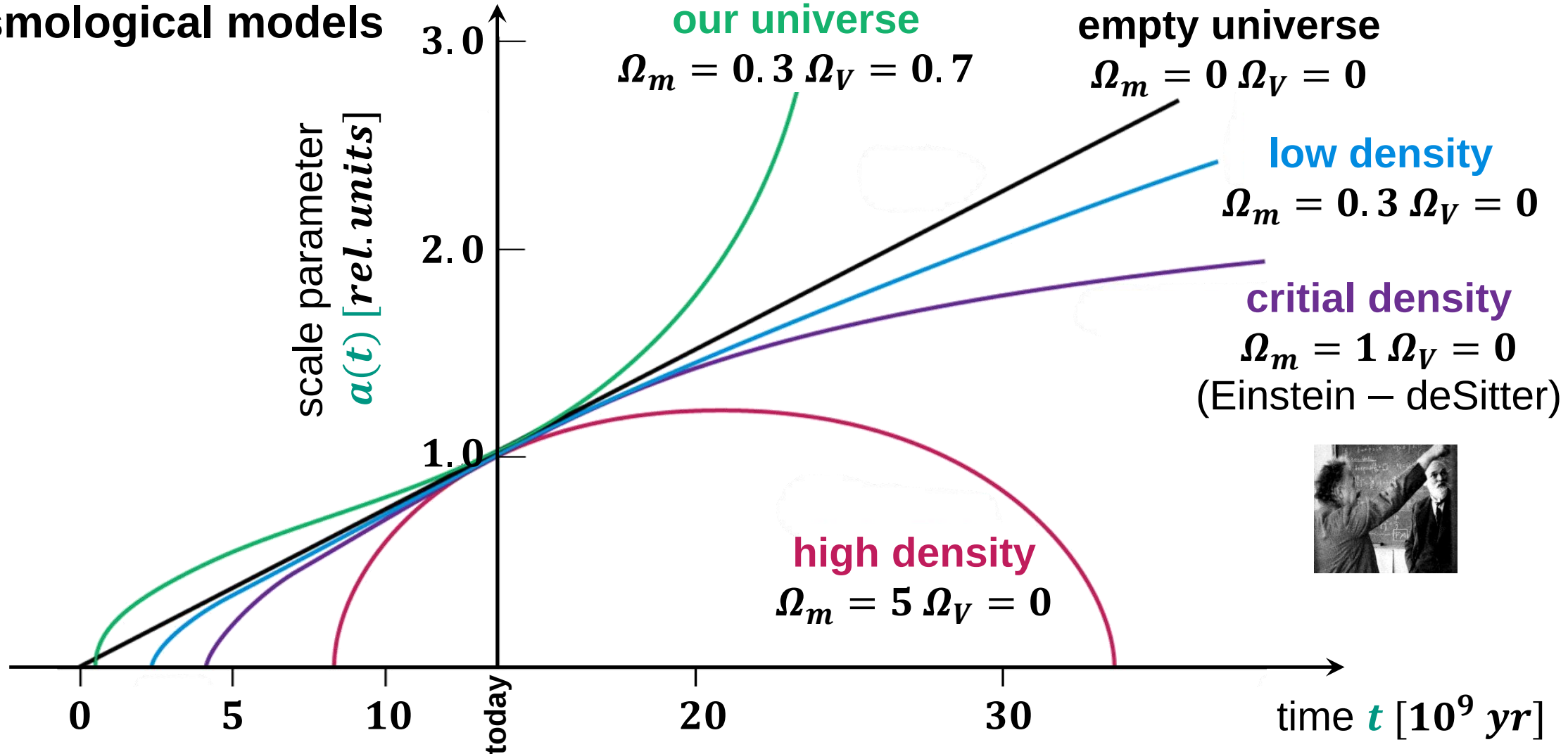
$$H(t)^2 = H_0^2 \cdot [(\Omega_r(t) + \Omega_m(t) + \Omega_V(t) + \Omega_k(t)]$$

$$H(t)^2 = H_0^2 \cdot \left[\begin{array}{l} \Omega_r(0) \cdot (1+z)^4 \\ + \Omega_m(0) \cdot (1+z)^3 \\ + \Omega_V(0) \\ + \Omega_k(0) \cdot (1+z)^2 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \sim 1/a^4 \\ \sim 1/a^3 \\ \text{const.} \\ \sim 1/a^2 \end{array}$$



Scale parameter $a(t)$ for different models

■ Cosmological models



The end (of today's lecture)



■ Friedmann equations revisited

$$\frac{H(t)^2}{H_0^2} = \Omega_r \cdot a^{-4} + \Omega_m \cdot a^{-3} + \Omega_V + \Omega_k \cdot a^{-2}$$



$$H^2(t) = \left(\frac{\dot{a}(t)}{a(t)} \right)^2 = \frac{8}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \rho_{m,\gamma}(t) + \frac{\Lambda c^2}{3}$$

$$\frac{\ddot{a}(t)}{a(t)} = -\frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot G \cdot \left(\rho_{m,\gamma}(t) + \frac{3 \cdot P_{m,\gamma}(t)}{c^2} \right) + \frac{\Lambda c^2}{3}$$

'Is THAT it?'

Is THAT the BIG BANG?