

Problem Set 5

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Problem 1

(1a.) $\rho = 0$ (and $\Lambda = 0$)

Friedmann eq:

$$\frac{\dot{R}^2}{R^2} = -\frac{kc^2}{R^2} \Rightarrow \dot{R}^2 = -kc^2$$

$$k = -1 \Rightarrow \dot{R} = 1 \quad (\text{use } c=1 \text{ here})$$

$$R(t) = t - t_0 \quad (\text{let } t_0 = 0)$$

$$(*) \quad ds^2 = -dt^2 + t^2 \left[\frac{dr^2}{1+r^2} + r^2 d\Omega^2 \right]$$

Note: one can check that all components of $R_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}$ vanish \Rightarrow must be equiv. to Mink. Alternatively, since $\dot{R}^2 + k = 0$ and $\ddot{R} = 0$, $K = R_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} = 0$

(see expression for K above) - non-sing.

For spher.-symm. solution in 4d, Birkhoff th. says then that Schwarzschild

sol. with $M=0$ - since $K=0$ - is unique - and this is Mink metric!

\Rightarrow one can find coord. transf. from (*) to Mink.

$$\begin{cases}
 (1b) \quad s = s(r, t) & \text{new rad. coord} \\
 T = T(r, t) & \text{new time}
 \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow s = t \cdot r$ to have $s^2 d\Omega^2$ in the Mink metric. Angular var. are not affected.

(1c) We need to find

$$\begin{cases}
 t = t(s, T) \\
 r = r(s, T)
 \end{cases}$$

(and we know that $s = t \cdot r$).

We compute dt, dr , insert into (*) and demand the final form is

$$ds^2 = -dT^2 + ds^2 + s^2 d\Omega^2$$

$$s = r t$$

$$\begin{cases} t = t(s, T) \\ r = r(s, T) \end{cases}$$

$$dt = \left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial s}\right)_T ds + \left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial T}\right)_s dT$$

$$dr = \left(\frac{\partial r}{\partial s}\right)_T ds + \left(\frac{\partial r}{\partial T}\right)_s dT$$

$$-dt^2 = - \left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial s}\right)_T^2 ds^2 - \left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial T}\right)_s^2 dT^2 - 2 \frac{\partial t}{\partial s} \frac{\partial t}{\partial T} ds dT$$

$$dr^2 = \left(\frac{\partial r}{\partial s}\right)_T^2 ds^2 + \left(\frac{\partial r}{\partial T}\right)_s^2 dT^2 + 2 \frac{\partial r}{\partial s} \frac{\partial r}{\partial T} ds dT$$

$$-dt^2 + \frac{t^2}{1+r^2} dr^2 \Rightarrow$$

$$-\left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial T}\right)_s^2 dT^2 + \frac{t^2}{1+r^2} \left(\frac{\partial r}{\partial T}\right)_s^2 dT^2 = -1 \cdot dT^2$$

$$-2 \frac{\partial t}{\partial s} \frac{\partial t}{\partial T} ds dT + \frac{2t^2}{1+r^2} \frac{\partial r}{\partial s} \frac{\partial r}{\partial T} ds dT = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial T}\right)_s^2 + \frac{t^2}{1+r^2} \left(\frac{\partial r}{\partial T}\right)_s^2 = -1 \quad (4)$$

Since $r = s/t$, we have

$$\left(\frac{\partial r}{\partial T}\right)_s = -\frac{s}{t^2} \left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial T}\right)_s = -\frac{r}{t} \left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial T}\right)_s.$$

$$\Rightarrow -\left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial T}\right)_s^2 + \frac{r^2}{(1+r^2)} \left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial T}\right)_s^2 = -1$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial T}\right)_s^2 \left(\frac{-1}{1+r^2}\right) = -1$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial T}\right)_s^2 = 1+r^2 = 1 + \frac{s^2}{t^2}$$

$$\int \frac{t dt}{\sqrt{t^2 + s^2}} = \int dT \Rightarrow T = \sqrt{t^2 + s^2}$$

(with integr. const)
set to zero.

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{s = rt \quad T = t \sqrt{1+r^2}}$$

is the transf. we wanted.

(1d) can be checked with a bit of pain.

Problem 2

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Friedmann eq.

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

- flat Univ. $\Rightarrow k=0$
- Implicit assumpt. : $\Lambda=0$
- $\rho = \rho_R + \rho_M$

We know: $\rho_R = \rho_{R,0} / R^4$

$$\rho_M = \rho_{M,0} / R^3$$

$$\frac{\dot{R}^2}{R^2} = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \left(\frac{\rho_{R,0}}{R^4} + \frac{\rho_{M,0}}{R^3} \right)$$

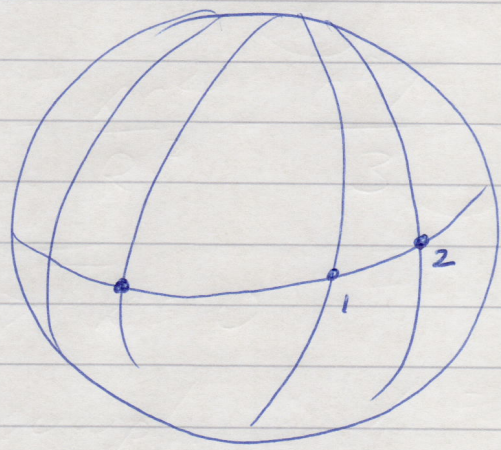
$$\Rightarrow \dot{R} = \sqrt{\frac{8\pi G}{3}} \left(\frac{\rho_{R,0}}{R^2} + \frac{\rho_{M,0}}{R} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^R \frac{R dR}{(I + R)^{1/2}} = \int_0^t \left(\frac{8\pi G \rho_{M,0}}{3} \right)^{1/2} dt$$

$$I \equiv \rho_{R,0} / \rho_{M,0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{gives result with } \Omega_{M,0}^2 = 8\pi G \rho_{M,0} / 3H_0^2$$

• Comoving vs phys. dist. coord.



• Cosmological redshift

$$z = \frac{\lambda_{obs} - \lambda_{em}}{\lambda_{em}} = \frac{R(t_{obs})}{R(t_{em})} - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + z = \frac{1}{R(t)} \quad \text{if } t_{obs} = t_0 \text{ (\"now\")}$$

$$R(t_0) = 1.$$

• Luminosity distance $d_L(z)$

$$\Phi_{obs} = \frac{L_{em}}{4\pi d_L^2}$$

$$d_L = \frac{c}{H_0} \left[z + \frac{1}{2}(1 - q_0)z^2 + \dots \right]$$

$q = -R\ddot{R}/\dot{R}^2$ deceleration parameter

- Thermal history of the Universe

$$T(t) R(t) = \text{const}$$

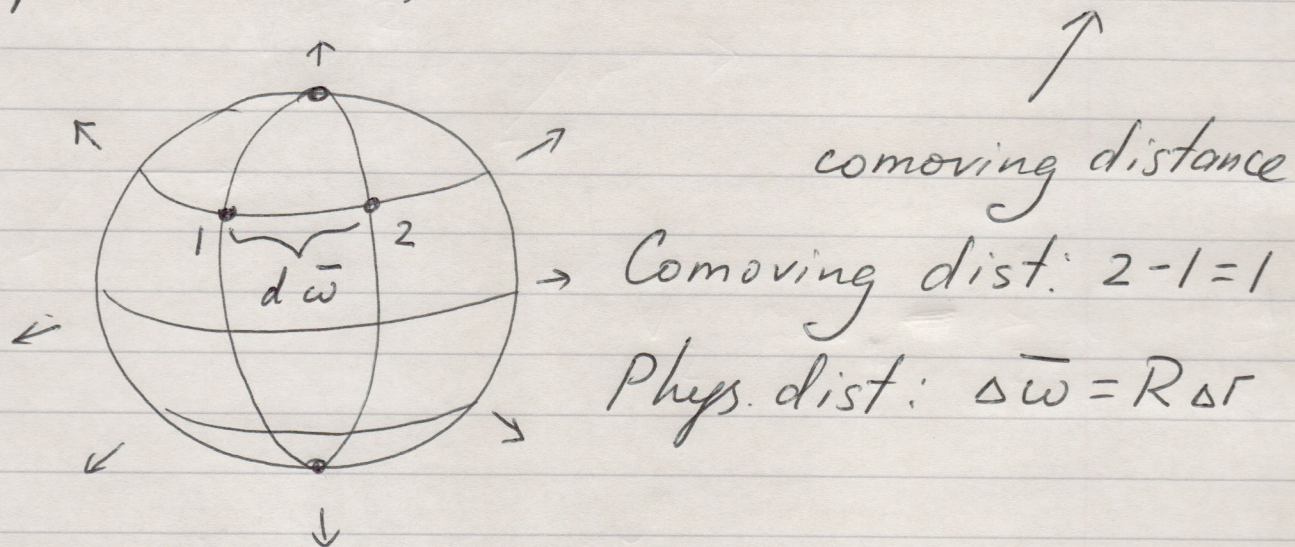
- Horizons

- Age of the Universe

Problem 3

$$ds^2 = -c^2 dt^2 + R^2(t) (dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2)$$

Proper (radial) distance: $d\bar{w} = R(t) dr$



On the inflating balloon, points 1 and 2 (coordinate labels) with comoving distance

$\Delta r = 2-1=1$ recede from each other

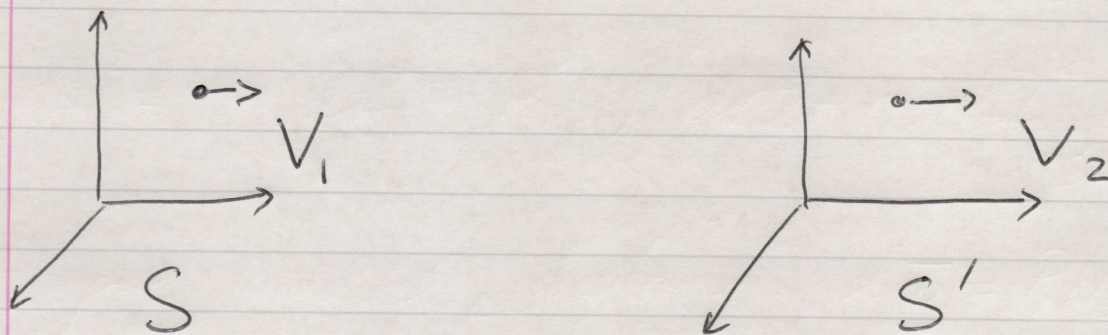
with velocity $V = \dot{\bar{w}} = \dot{R} \Delta r = \frac{\dot{R}}{R} R \Delta r$,

i.e. $V = \frac{\dot{R}}{R} \Delta\bar{w}$. Since \dot{R}/R does not

change much on time-scales associated

with distance $\Delta\bar{w}$, we can view V as constant and use special rel.

The standard SR addition of vel.



$$V_2 = \frac{V_1 - V}{1 - \frac{V_1 V}{c^2}} = \frac{V_1 - \frac{\dot{R}}{R} \Delta \bar{\omega}}{1 - \frac{V_1}{c^2} \frac{\dot{R}}{R} \Delta \bar{\omega}}$$

For $\frac{\dot{R} \Delta \bar{\omega}}{Rc} \ll 1$, this is

$$V_2 = \left(V_1 - \frac{\dot{R}}{R} \Delta \bar{\omega} \right) \left(1 + \frac{V_1}{c^2} \frac{\dot{R}}{R} \Delta \bar{\omega} + \dots \right) =$$

$$= V_1 - \frac{\dot{R}}{R} \Delta \bar{\omega} \left(1 - \frac{V_1^2}{c^2} \right) + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{V_2 = V_1 - \frac{\dot{R}}{R} \Delta \bar{\omega} \left(1 - \frac{V_1^2}{c^2} \right)}$$

Taking the limit $\Delta \bar{\omega} \rightarrow 0$, $V_2 \rightarrow V_1 \rightarrow V = \frac{d\bar{\omega}}{dt}$,

and $\frac{dV}{dt} = - \frac{\dot{R}}{R} V \left(1 - \frac{V^2}{c^2} \right)$

Thus,
$$\frac{\dot{V}}{V(1-V^2/c^2)} = -\frac{\dot{R}}{R}$$

So,
$$\int \frac{dV}{V(1-V^2/c^2)} = -\int \frac{dR}{R}$$

Since
$$\frac{1}{V(1-V^2/c^2)} = \frac{1}{V} + \frac{1}{2(c-V)} - \frac{1}{2(c+V)}$$
,

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \ln V - \frac{1}{2} \ln(1-V/c) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(1+V/c) &= \\ &= -\ln R + \text{const} \end{aligned}$$

Now, at $t = t_0$ we have $V = V_0$ and

$$R(t_0) = 1, \text{ so } \text{const} = \frac{V_0}{\sqrt{1-V_0^2/c^2}} =$$

$$= \gamma(V_0) V_0 = U_0 \text{ (spatial component}$$

of 4-vel. $U^M = (\gamma c, \gamma \vec{v})$).

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{V}{\sqrt{1-V^2/c^2}} = \frac{U_0}{R(t)}}.$$

3b) Since $\bar{p} = \gamma m \bar{v}$, the result in 3a) implies $pR = \text{const}$.

• Adiabatic expansion of a gas of ultra-rel. particles ($\epsilon = \sqrt{p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4} \approx pc$) at temperature T : $TR \sim \text{const}$

But $T \sim \epsilon \sim p$ in this case, so $pR = \text{const}$.

• Non-rel. gas: $TP^{-2/3} \sim \text{const}$

In this case, $\epsilon \sim p^2/2m$, so

$T \sim p^2$. Number density $\rho \sim \frac{N}{R^3}$

$\Rightarrow R \sim \rho^{-1/3} \Rightarrow T \sim \rho^{2/3} \sim \frac{1}{R^2} \sim p^2$

$\Rightarrow pR \sim \text{const}$.

3c) $d\bar{w}/dt = V(R)$

From 3a), $V = \frac{c}{\sqrt{1 + c^2 R^2 / V_0^2}}$

Since $R(t) = (t/t_0)^{2/3}$, we have

$$\dot{R} = \frac{2}{3t_0} \left(\frac{t}{t_0}\right)^{-1/3}, \quad \dot{R}(t_0) = \frac{2}{3t_0} = H_0,$$

since $R(t_0) = 1$, $\dot{R}(t_0)/R(t_0) \equiv H_0$.

$$\Rightarrow R \dot{R} = H_0 R^{1/2} \Rightarrow dt = \frac{R^{1/2} dR}{H_0}$$

$$\text{So, } d\bar{w} = R dr = \frac{c dt}{\sqrt{1 + c^2 R^2 / U_0^2}}$$

($d\bar{w} = d(Rr) = dR \cdot r + R dr \approx R dr$)

$$\Rightarrow r(R) = \frac{c}{H_0} \int_0^R \frac{dR}{R^{1/2} \sqrt{1 + c^2 R^2 / U_0^2}}$$

$$\text{or } r(R) = \frac{c}{H_0} \int_0^R \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x + c^2 x^3 / U_0^2}}$$

This can be rewritten as (with a change of var. $x = \alpha y$) :

$$r(R) = \frac{c}{H_0} \sqrt{\alpha} \int_0^{R/\alpha} \frac{dy}{\sqrt{y + y^3}}$$

where $\alpha = U_0/c$. In particular,

$$r_{\max} = \frac{\sqrt{U_0 c}}{H_0} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dy}{\sqrt{y + y^3}} \approx 3.708 \frac{\sqrt{U_0 c}}{H_0}$$

Problem 4

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Friedmann eq

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

In our case, $\Lambda = 0$, $\rho = \rho_m$.

Note: $\rho_m R^3 = \rho_{0,m} R_0^3 = \rho_{0,m}$

$$\Rightarrow \rho_m = \rho_{0,m} / R^3$$

$$\frac{\dot{R}^2}{R^2} = H^2 = \frac{H_0^2}{R^2} \left(\frac{8\pi G \rho_{0,m}}{3H_0^2} \frac{1}{R} - \frac{kc^2}{H_0^2} \right)$$

Introduce $\Omega_{m0} \equiv 8\pi G \rho_{0,m} / 3H_0^2$

Then: $\Omega_{m0} - \frac{kc^2}{H_0^2} = 1$

We can write Friedmann eq as

$$\frac{\dot{R}^2}{R^2} = H_0^2 \left(\frac{\Omega_{m0}}{R^3} + \frac{1 - \Omega_{m0}}{R^2} \right)$$

At $R = R_{max}$, $\dot{R} = 0 \Rightarrow R_{max} = \frac{-\Omega_{m0}}{1 - \Omega_{m0}}$

$$R_{\max} = \frac{1}{1 - \Omega_{M0}^{-1}}$$

When $R = R_{\max}$, the matter density is

$$\rho_{M, \max} = \rho_{0, M} (1 - \Omega_{M0}^{-1})^3$$

Time can be found by integrating

$$\dot{R}^2 = H_0^2 \left(\frac{\Omega_{M0}}{R} + 1 - \Omega_{M0} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^T dt = \int_0^{R_{\max}} \frac{\sqrt{R} dR}{H_0 (\Omega_{M0} - (\Omega_{M0} - 1)R)^{1/2}}$$

(Expansion from 0 to R_{\max} and collapse from R_{\max} to 0 takes the same time.)

$$T = \frac{\pi \Omega_{M0}}{2H_0 (\Omega_{M0} - 1)^{3/2}}$$

$$T = \frac{\pi}{2H_0} \Omega_{M0}^{-1/2} (1 - \Omega_{M0}^{-1})^{-3/2} = \frac{\pi}{2H_0} \Omega_{M0}^{-1/2} \left(\frac{\rho_{0, M}}{\rho_{M, \max}} \right)^{1/2}$$

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Since $\Omega_{M,0} = 8\pi G \rho_{0M} / 3H_0^2$, we

have:

$$T = \left(\frac{3\pi}{32G\rho_{M,\max}} \right)^{1/2}$$

We now consider particle falling from rest at $r=r_0$ to $r=r_s$ in Schwarzschild geometry with $M = \frac{4}{3}\pi r_0^3 \rho_{\max}$.

Radial geodesic obeys $\frac{\dot{r}^2}{2} + V_{\text{eff}} = \text{const}$.

Radial infall $\Rightarrow J=0$, so it is just

$$\frac{\dot{r}^2}{2} - \frac{GM}{r} = \text{const} = -\frac{GM}{r_0} ; \dot{r} \equiv \frac{dr}{dt}$$

(see e.g. eq 353 of Lecture Notes)

Integrating, we get (the sign reflects dir. of velocity)

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2GM}} \int_{r_0}^{r_s} \frac{\sqrt{r} dr}{\sqrt{1-r/r_0}} = -\int dt$$

With $x = r/r_0$, this is

$$\frac{r_0^{3/2}}{\sqrt{2GM}} \int_{r_s/r_0}^1 \frac{\sqrt{x} dx}{\sqrt{1-x}} = \tau$$

We can simplify life by setting $r_s/r_0 \rightarrow 0$

Then

$$\frac{r_0^{3/2}}{\sqrt{2GM}} \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{1-x}} dx = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{r_0^{3/2}}{\sqrt{2GM}} = \tau$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau = \sqrt{\frac{3\pi}{32G\rho_{max}}} \quad \text{Curious...}$$

5. a) FRW eq is

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

$K > 0$ for
closed Universe

$$H^2(t) \equiv \dot{R}^2 / R^2.$$

$$\frac{Kc^2}{R^2} = \frac{8\pi G\rho}{3} - H^2 = H^2 \left(\frac{8\pi G\rho}{3H^2} - 1 \right)$$

Evaluating at $t = t_0$ (now), we have

$$\frac{Kc^2}{R_0^2} = H_0^2 \left(\frac{8\pi G\rho_0}{3H_0^2} - 1 \right) = H_0^2 (\Omega_{M,0} - 1)$$

With $R_0 = 1$ and $K = 1/L^2$, this is

$$H_0^2 (\Omega_{M,0} - 1) = c^2/L^2, \text{ where}$$

$$\Omega_{M,0} \equiv 8\pi G\rho_0 / 3H_0^2 > 1$$

b) A photon travels along the

geodesic $ds^2 = 0$, i.e. $-c^2 dt^2 + \frac{R^2 dv^2}{1 - Kr^2} = 0$

(for radial geodesics). Here $K = 1/L^2 > 0$,
where L is the radius of the (closed)

Universe. This can be integrated

$$c \int_0^t \frac{dt}{R} = \int_0^r \frac{dr}{\sqrt{1 - r^2/L^2}}$$

With e.g. $r/L = \sin x$, the r. h. s. gives

$$\int_0^r \frac{dr}{\sqrt{1 - r^2/L^2}} = L \int_0^{\arcsin r/L} dx = L \arcsin r/L.$$

To deal with the l. h. s., we use Friedmann

eq. for matter-dominated Universe

$$(R^3 \rho = \text{const} \Rightarrow \rho = \rho_{M,0} / R^3)$$

$$\dot{R}^2 = \frac{8\pi G \rho_{M,0}}{3R} - \kappa c^2 \quad (*)$$

Note that with $R_0 = 1$, we have

$$H_0^2 \equiv \frac{\dot{R}^2}{R^2} (t=t_0) = \frac{8\pi G \rho_{M,0}}{3} - \kappa c^2$$

$$\text{or } 1 = \Omega_{M,0} - \frac{\kappa c^2}{H_0^2}, \text{ where}$$

$$\Omega_{M,0} = \frac{8\pi G \rho_{M,0}}{3H_0^2}$$

Then eq (*) can be re-written as

$$\dot{R}^2 = H_0^2 \left(\frac{\Omega_{M,0}}{R} + 1 - \Omega_{M,0} \right)$$

or

$$\frac{dR}{\sqrt{\Omega_{M,0}/R + 1 - \Omega_{M,0}}} = H_0 dt$$

This can be integrated directly to give $R(t)$ or else expressed in parametric form as in the lecture notes (§9.5):

$$R = \frac{1 - \cos \chi}{2(1 - \Omega_{M,0}^{-1})} \Rightarrow$$

$$H_0 t = \frac{\chi - \sin \chi}{2\sqrt{\Omega_{M,0}(1 - \Omega_{M,0})^3}} \quad (**)$$

We use this parametrization to rewrite

$$c \int_0^t \frac{dt}{R} \text{ as (use ** for } dt \rightarrow d\chi \text{):}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 c \int_0^t \frac{dt}{R} &= c \int_0^{\eta_*} \frac{2(1 - \Omega_{M,0}^{-1})}{2H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_{M,0}(1 - \Omega_{M,0}^{-1})^3}} dy = \\
 &= \frac{c}{H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_{M,0}^{-1}}} \int_0^{\eta_*} dy = \frac{c \eta_*}{H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_{M,0}^{-1}}},
 \end{aligned}$$

where η_* corresponds to t as in eq **. We use y instead of η_* in the following. Also, recall that

$$\Omega_{M,0}^{-1} = \frac{kc^2}{H_0^2} = \frac{c^2}{H_0^2 L^2}$$

So, the photon's geodesic is:

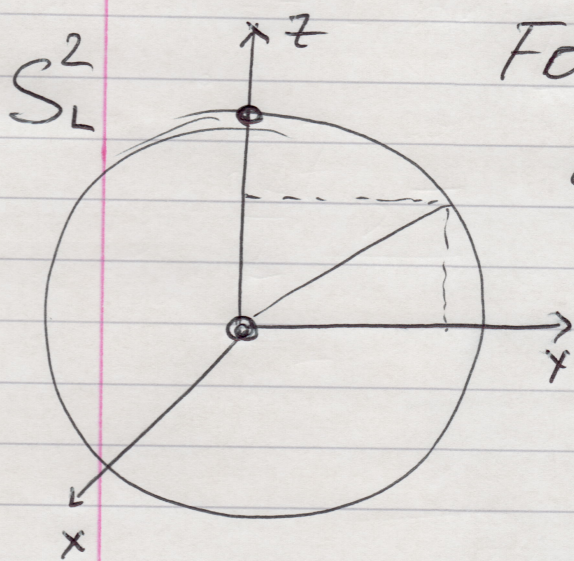
$$\frac{c \eta_* H_0 L}{H_0 \phi} = L \arcsin r/L$$

i.e. $y = \arcsin r/L$.

Or $\sin y = r/L$. A photon travels from $r=0$ to $r=L$ and back to

$r=0$ during "time" $\Delta\eta = \pi$.

We should be careful in remembering what r is when $\kappa \neq 0$. This can be illustrated by the 2d spherical geom of the balloon embedded in 3d spa with the metric $ds_{3d}^2 = dz^2 + dr^2 + r^2 d\varphi^2$ in cylindrical coordinates.



For 2d sphere, we have a

$$\text{constraint: } z^2 + r^2 = L^2$$

$$\Rightarrow dz = -r dr / z$$

$$\Rightarrow ds_{S^2}^2 = \frac{dr^2}{1 - r^2/L^2} + r^2 d\varphi^2$$

$r \in [0, L)$, but $z = \pm \sqrt{L^2 - r^2}$, with \pm

corresponding to upper/lower hemisphere

(ignoring expansion of the balloon here)

the "photon" geodesics are

$$\pm c dt = dr / \sqrt{1 - r^2/L^2}, \text{ i.e.}$$

$r = \pm L \sin \frac{c\Delta t}{L}$. Starting from
e.g. North Pole at $\Delta t = 0$, the
photon reaches $r = L$ when $\frac{c\Delta t}{L} = \frac{\pi}{2}$
and the South Pole when $\frac{c\Delta t}{L} = \pi$.

Note that the South Pole corresponds
to $r = 0$. The full trip to North Pole
takes $\frac{c\Delta t}{L} = 2\pi$.

In our case, $r = \pm L \sin \eta$ and
also $R(\eta) = \frac{1 - \cos \eta}{2(1 - \Omega_{M,0}^T)}$. The

full cycle of the Universe from $R=0$
at $\eta = 0$ to $\max R$ at $\eta = \pi$ and
back to $R=0$ at $\eta = 2\pi$ takes $\Delta\eta = 2\pi$.

A photon reaches the "South Pole"
(max comoving distance on the surface of
the balloon but corresp. to $r=0$)
at $\eta = \pi$ and comes back to North Pole
at $\Delta\eta = 2\pi \Rightarrow$ makes 1 trip around Universe.