

Equations in my cosmology module

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This note summarizes the equations used in the Julia module `cosmology.jl`. When no input is given as an argument, the code use the planck maximum likelihood cosmology as a default.

I. CONSTANTS

We keep at least five significant digits for all constants. They are (source: NIST and PDG, the numbers in parenthesis denote the $1\text{-}\sigma$ (68% C.L.) uncertainty)

$$\begin{aligned} c &\equiv 2.997\,924\,58 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm/s}, \\ \hbar &= 1.054\,571\,800(13) \times 10^{-27} \text{ erg s}, \\ k_B &= 1.380\,648\,52(79) \times 10^{-16} \text{ erg/K}, \\ \text{eV} &= 1.602\,176\,6208(98) \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg}, \\ G &= 6.674\,08(31) \times 10^{-8} \text{ cm}^3/\text{g/s}^2. \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Astronomical units are

$$\text{AU} \equiv 149\,597\,870\,700 \text{ m} \quad (2)$$

$$\text{pc} \equiv 1\text{AU}/\tan(1'') = 3.085\,677\,581\,49 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{yr} = 365.25 \text{ days}, \quad (4)$$

$$c = 0.30660 \text{ pc/yr} = 3.0660 \times 10^{-7} \text{ Mpc/yr}. \quad (5)$$

In natural unit ($c = \hbar = k_B = 1$), we can convert all units to eV (or GeV) as,

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \text{ s} &= (1.0546 \times 10^{-27} \text{ erg})^{-1} = 1.5193 \times 10^{15} \text{ eV}^{-1} \\ &= 1.5193 \times 10^{24} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \\ 1 \text{ cm} &= \frac{1.5193 \times 10^{15}}{2.9979 \times 10^{10}} \text{ eV}^{-1} = 5.0679 \times 10^4 \text{ eV}^{-1} \\ &= 5.0679 \times 10^{13} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \\ 1 \text{ K} &= \frac{1.3807 \times 10^{-16}}{1.6022 \times 10^{-12}} \text{ eV} = 8.6175 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV} \\ &= 8.6175 \times 10^{-14} \text{ GeV} \\ 1 \text{ g} &= (2.9979 \times 10^{10})^2 \text{ erg} = 5.6094 \times 10^{32} \text{ eV} \\ &= 5.6094 \times 10^{23} \text{ GeV}. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

The Hubble constant is in the natural unit:

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 &= 100h \text{ [km/s/Mpc]} = \frac{100}{2.9979 \times 10^5} [h/\text{Mpc}] \\ &= 0.00033356 [h/\text{Mpc}], \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

or

$$H_0^{-1} = 2997.9 \text{ [Mpc/h]}. \quad (8)$$

The critical density is then,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{\text{crit}} &= \frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G} \\ &= \frac{3 \times 10^4 h^2 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}^2/\text{Mpc}^2}{8\pi \times 6.6726 \times 10^{-23} \text{ km}^3/\text{g/s}^2} \\ &= \frac{3 \times 10^4 h^2}{8\pi \times 6.6726 \times 10^{-23}} \text{ g/Mpc}^2/\text{km} \\ &= \frac{3 \times 10^4 h^2}{8\pi \times 6.6726 \times 10^{-23}} \frac{3.0857 \times 10^{19}}{1.9891 \times 10^{33}} \text{ M}_\odot/\text{Mpc}^3 \\ &= 2.7751 \times 10^{11} h^2 \text{ M}_\odot/\text{Mpc}^3. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Here, we use $M_\odot = 1.9891 \times 10^{33} \text{ g}$. In eV, the critical density is also,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{\text{crit}} &= \frac{3 \times 10^4 h^2}{8\pi \times 6.6726 \times 10^{-23}} \text{ g/Mpc}^2/\text{km} \\ &= \frac{3 \times 10^4 h^2}{8\pi \times 6.6726 \times 10^{-23}} \frac{1}{(3.0857 \times 10^{24})^2 10^5} \text{ g/cm}^3 \\ &= 1.8788 \times 10^{-29} h^2 \text{ g/cm}^3 = 8.0968 \times 10^{-11} h^2 \text{ eV}^4. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

The CMB temperature is

$$T_{\text{cmb0}} = 2.726 \text{ K} = 0.23491 \text{ meV} \quad (11)$$

and the neutrino temperature is

$$T_{\nu 0} = \left(\frac{4}{11}\right)^{1/3} T_{\text{cmb0}} = 1.9457 \text{ K} = 0.16767 \text{ meV}, \quad (12)$$

when we assume that neutrinos acquire no entropy from electro-positron pair annihilation process. Because of the small leakage of entropy during the process led to the change in effective neutrino degrees of freedom $N_\nu^{\text{energy}} = 3.046$ instead of 3. This fractional change is associated with the energy density. Therefore, when calculating the number density one must use $N_\nu^{\text{number}} = 3.0345$, to satisfy $\delta N/N = 3/4\delta E/E$ for particle species following Fermi-Dirac distribution. Equivalently, the true temperature of neutrinos are $1 + 0.046/3/4 \simeq 1.00383$ times the *standard* value: $1.9457 \text{ K} \rightarrow 1.9453 \text{ K}$. We call this fudge factor as t_ν so that $T_\nu = t_\nu T_{\nu 0}(1+z)$.

Energy density of photon is

$$\rho_{\gamma 0} = \frac{\pi^2}{15} T_\gamma^4 = 2.0036 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eV}^4, \quad (13)$$

which corresponds to

$$\Omega_\gamma h^2 \simeq 2.4746 \times 10^{-5}. \quad (14)$$

A. Neutrinos

As for the massless neutrinos with degeneracy $g_\nu^{m_\nu=0} = 2N_\nu^{m_\nu=0}$, the energy density is

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{\nu 0}^{m_\nu=0} &= \frac{7}{8} \frac{\pi^2}{15} \left(\frac{3.046}{3} \right) N_\nu^{m_\nu=0} T_\nu^4 \\ &= 4.6201 \times 10^{-16} N_\nu^{m_\nu=0} \text{eV}^4, \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

with

$$\Omega_{\nu 0}^{m_\nu=0} h^2 = 5.7061 \times 10^{-6} N_\nu^{m_\nu=0}. \quad (16)$$

If all neutrinos are either massive or massless (that is, no neutrino mass is around $T_{\nu 0}$), we can calculate the massive neutrino energy density as

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{\nu 0}^{m_\nu} &= \sum n_\nu m_\nu = \frac{3\zeta(3)}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{3.0345}{3} \right) T_{\nu 0}^3 \sum m_\nu \\ &= 8.71061 \times 10^{-13} \sum m_\nu \text{eV}^3, \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

and the density parameter becomes

$$\Omega_{\nu 0}^{m_\nu} h^2 = 0.010758 \frac{\sum m_\nu}{\text{eV}} = \frac{\sum m_\nu}{93.0 \text{eV}}. \quad (18)$$

For the general case, we need to integrate Fermi-Dirac distribution function to find the expression for the energy density of massive neutrinos:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_\nu^{m_\nu}(z) &= \sum_i 2 \left(\frac{3.046}{3} \right) \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\sqrt{m_{\nu,i}^2 + p^2}}{e^{p/T_\nu(z)} + 1}, \\ &= \left(\frac{3.046}{3} \right) \sum_i \frac{T_\nu^4(z)}{\pi^2} \int_0^\infty dx \frac{x^2 \sqrt{x^2 + x_\nu^2}}{e^x + 1}, \\ &= \sum_i 1.0042 \times 10^{-6} h^{-2} \rho_{\text{crit}0} (1+z)^4 f(x_\nu). \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

where $x_\nu = m_\nu/T_\nu(z)$, and we define

$$f(x_\nu) = \int_0^\infty dx \frac{x^2 \sqrt{x^2 + x_\nu^2}}{e^x + 1}. \quad (20)$$

Therefore, we find the expression for the total energy density of neutrinos as

$$\rho_\nu(z) = 1.0042 \frac{\rho_{\text{crit}0}}{10^6 h^2} (1+z)^4 \sum_i f(x_\nu^i). \quad (21)$$

Note that using following asymptotic behavior of $f(x_\nu)$:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_\nu \rightarrow 0) &= \frac{7}{8} \frac{\pi^2}{15} \simeq 5.6822 \\ f(x_\nu \rightarrow \infty) &= \frac{3}{2} \zeta(3) x_\nu \simeq 1.8031 x_\nu, \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

the expression reduces to the massless and massive cases, respectively. We use the asymptotic formula for $x_\nu < 0.0001$ and $x_\nu > 4000$, which corresponds to $\varepsilon \simeq 10^{-7}$.

II. CONTENTS

The input value for the cosmological calculation is the present value of

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_m &= \Omega_{\text{cdm}} + \Omega_b + \Omega_\nu^{\text{massive}}; \\ \Omega_{\text{cdm}} & \\ \Omega_b & \\ \Omega_{\text{de}} & \\ w_{\text{de}} & \\ T_{\text{cmb}} & \\ \vec{m}_\nu &= \{m_\nu^1, m_\nu^2, m_\nu^3\} \\ h & \\ \text{unit} &= \text{Mpc}/h \text{ or Mpc}, \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

the code will then calculate $T_\nu = (4/11)^{1/3} T_{\text{cmb}}$, and ρ_γ , ρ_ν based on the equations in the previous section. Note that setting $T_{\text{cmb}} = 0$ would turn off the radiation contribution to the cosmic evolution.

We need two different modes for the Hubble: $H(z)$ and $Ha(a)$. For most cases, we shall use $H(z)$, but we shall use $Ha(a)$ when we need to calculate from $a = 0$ (when calculating the particle horizon, age of the Universe, for example).

• Ha(a)

$$\begin{aligned} H^2(a) &= H_0^2 \left[(\Omega_{\text{cdm}} + \Omega_b) a^{-3} + \Omega_{\text{de}} a^{-3(w_{\text{de}}+1)} + \Omega_r a^{-4} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \Omega_k a^{-2} + \frac{\rho_\nu^{m_\nu}(a)}{\rho_{\text{crit}0}} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

Here, $\Omega_k = 1 - \Omega_m - \Omega_{\text{de}} - \Omega_r$ with $\Omega_m = \Omega_{\text{cdm}} + \Omega_b + \Omega_\nu^{\text{massive}}$ and $\Omega_r = \Omega_\gamma + \Omega_\nu^{\text{massless}}$. With the definitions in the previous section, we find that

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_\nu^{\text{massless}} h^2 &= 5.7061 \times 10^{-6} N_\nu^{\text{massless}} \\ \Omega_\nu^{\text{massive}} h^2 &= 1.0042 \times 10^{-6} \sum_i f(x_\nu^i), \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

where $x_\nu^i \equiv m_\nu^i / (0.16767 \text{meV})$.

• Hz(z) $H(z) = Ha(1/(1+z))$

• Omz(z)

$$\Omega_m(z) = \frac{(\Omega_{\text{cdm}} + \Omega_b)(1+z)^3 + \rho_\nu^{\text{massive}}(z)/\rho_{\text{crit}}}{H^2(z)/H_0^2} \quad (26)$$

• Odez(z)

$$\Omega_{\text{de}}(z) = \frac{\Omega_{\text{de}}(1+z)^{3(w_{\text{de}}+1)}}{H^2(z)/H_0^2} \quad (27)$$

• Orz(z)

$$\Omega_r(z) = \frac{[\Omega_\gamma + \Omega_\nu^{\text{massless}}] (1+z)^4}{H^2(z)/H_0^2} \quad (28)$$

- Okz(z)

$$\Omega_k(z) = \frac{\Omega_k(1+z)^2}{H^2(z)/H_0^2} \quad (29)$$

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- etaz(z)

$$\eta(z) = \int \frac{dt}{a(t)} = \int_0^{1/(1+z)} \frac{da}{a^2 H(a)} \quad (30)$$

- chiz(z)

$$\chi(z) = \int_0^z \frac{dz}{H(z)} \quad (31)$$

- dAz(z)

$$d_A(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{\chi(z)}{1+z} & |\Omega_k| < 10^{-6} \\ \frac{1}{1+z} \frac{\sinh[\chi(z)\sqrt{\Omega_k H_0}]}{\sqrt{\Omega_k H_0}} & \Omega_k > 0 \\ \frac{1}{1+z} \frac{\sin[\chi(z)\sqrt{-\Omega_k H_0}]}{\sqrt{-\Omega_k H_0}} & \Omega_k < 0 \end{cases}$$

- dAcz(z)

$$d_{Ac}(z) = (1+z)d_A(z) \quad (32)$$

- dLz(z)

$$d_L(z) = d_A(z)(1+z)^2 \quad (33)$$

- Volume(zi,zf,Area)

$$V(z_i, z_f, A) = A \left(\frac{\pi}{180} \right)^2 \int_{z_i}^{z_f} \frac{(1+z)^2 d_A^2(z)}{H(z)} dz \quad (34)$$

IV. LINEAR GROWTH OF STRUCTURE

The equation govern the growth of linear perturbation for pressureless matter component is given by

$$\ddot{D} + 2H\dot{D} - 4\pi G\rho_m D = 0. \quad (35)$$

Here, dot denotes the time derivative. One can reform this equation in terms of the logarithmic scale factor $\ln a$ as a variable as

$$\dot{D} = \frac{d \ln a}{dt} \frac{dD}{d \ln a} = H \frac{dD}{d \ln a}. \quad (36)$$

Now, instead of D , we shall use the growth factor of the gravitational potential $g = D/a$, which leads to the differential equation of

$$g'' + \frac{1}{2} [5 - 3w\Omega_V(a) - \Omega_r(a) + \Omega_k(a)] g' + \frac{1}{2} [3(1-w)\Omega_V(a) + 2\Omega_r(a) + 4\Omega_k(a)] g = 0. \quad (37)$$

Note that the prime denotes to the differentiation with respect to $\ln a$.

In the code, we solve the differential equation for $g(a)$ starting at deep matter domination epoch where $g(a_0) = 1$ and $g'(a_0) = 0$. Therefore, the relevant differential equation ignores the radiation contribution:

$$g'' + \left[\frac{5}{2} + \frac{1}{2} (\Omega_k(a) - 3w_{de}\Omega_{de}(a)) \right] g' + \left[2\Omega_k(a) + \frac{3}{2} (1 - w_{de})\Omega_{de}(a) \right] g = 0, \quad (38)$$

which coincides with eq. (76) of Komatsu et al. (2009). The new variables are related to the standard growth functions as

$$D(a) = g(a)a \\ f(a) = \frac{d \ln D}{d \ln a} = 1 + \frac{d \ln g}{d \ln a} = 1 + \frac{1}{g} \frac{dg}{d \ln a} \\ \frac{df}{d \ln a} = \frac{d^2 \ln g}{d \ln a^2} = -\frac{1}{g^2} \left(\frac{dg}{d \ln a} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{g} \frac{d^2 g}{d \ln a^2}. \quad (39)$$

- Dz(z)

$$D(z) = \frac{g(z)}{1+z} \quad (40)$$

- Dplusz(z)

$$D_+(z) = \frac{D(z)}{D(0)} \quad (41)$$

- fz(z)

$$f(z) = \frac{d \ln D}{d \ln a} = \frac{g'(z)}{g(z)} + 1 \quad (42)$$

- Dfz(z)

$$\frac{df}{d \ln a}(z) = \frac{d^2 \ln D}{d \ln a^2} = \frac{g''(z)}{g(z)} - (f-1)^2 \quad (43)$$