



Today – Exam#3 Review

- Exam #3 is Thursday December 8th in this room, BPS 1410
- The exam is 40 multiple choice questions. There are three or four questions where you will have to use a formula. There are several "number" questions, like what was the initial temperature of the Big Bang (10³⁵ Kelvin)
- Bring your student ID
- You will have the full 80 minutes for the exam.
- You can bring one 8.5x11 inch sheet of notes (front and back)

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Final Exam

- The final exam is Tuesday Dec. 13th from 10am till noon.
- The final will be 40 multiple choice questions like the midterms.
- There will be no makeup credit like on the midterms.
- Questions for the exam will be taken (and slightly modified) from the midterm exams.
- You can bring 3 8.5x11 double sided sheets of notes.
- Note: The final counts the same as a midterm. Your lowest exam score will be dropped.

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HW#11 is Due

- Please note that homework #11 is due tomorrow at 8:00am.
- The bead problem will not be on the exam.
- One last extra credit assignment is still open.



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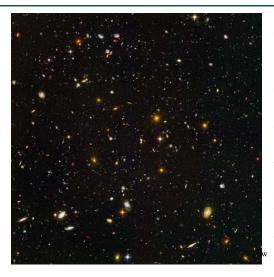
How did the Universe Begin?

- Evidence points to the Universe beginning in a hot fireball 13.7 billion years ago. We call this the Big Bang
- Evidence for the Big Bang
 - Expansion of the Universe
 - The Big Bang model correctly predicts the formation of the light elements observed to be present in the early universe (mostly hydrogen and helium).
 - The cosmic microwave background radiation



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What do we know about the Universe?



Picture of distant galaxies taken by the Hubble Space Telescope

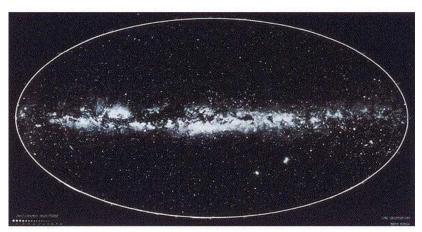
There are approximately 200 billion galaxies

Looking at distant galaxies is like looking back in time.



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Map of the night time sky







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The Great Galaxy in Andromeda – M31



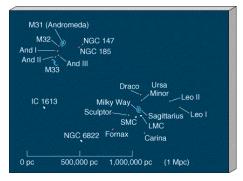
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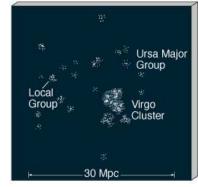
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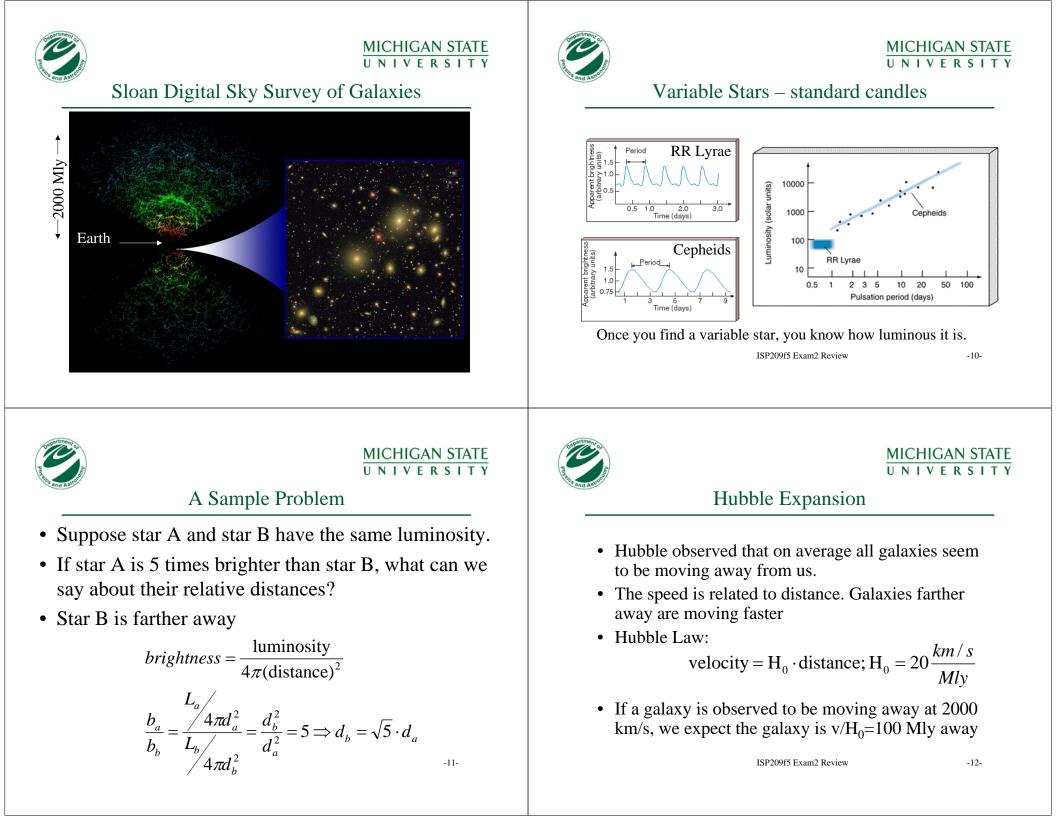
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The structure of our local set of galaxies





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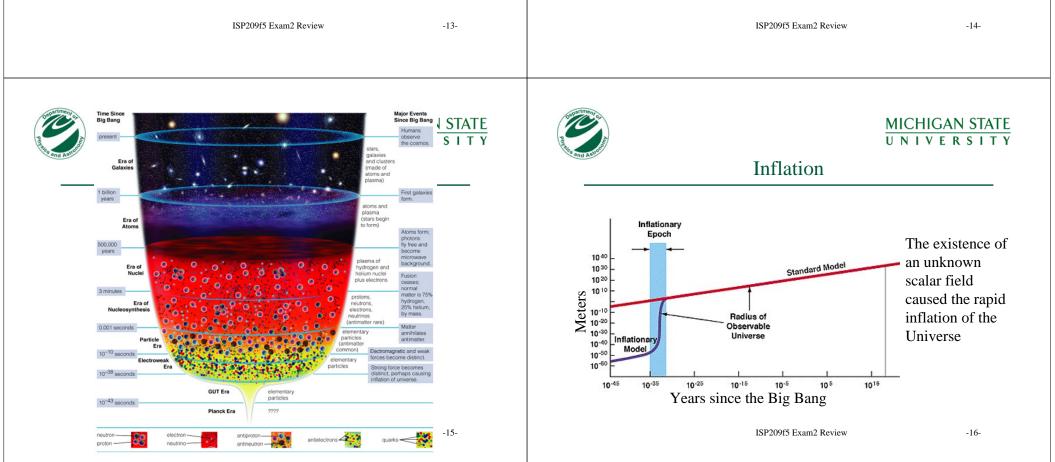
How do we determine distances?

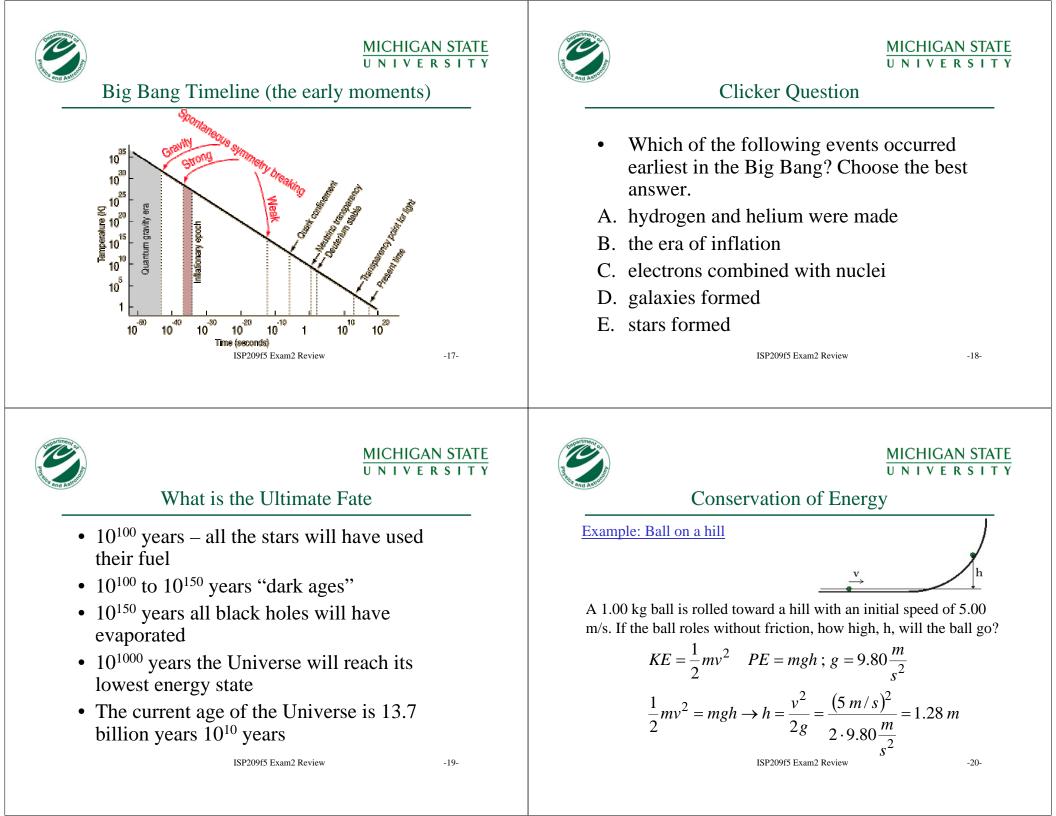
- Radar nearby things like the Sun
- Parallax 1 arcsec motion 1 pc = 3.24 ly
- Spectroscopic parallax use location on the Hertzsrpung Russell diagram
- Variable stars to nearby galaxies
- Supernova to nearby clusters of galaxies
- Hubble Law to farther galaxies and quasars
- Brightness of bright galaxies (Tully-Fischer Relation) to the farthest galaxy clusters.



Clicker Question

- What would be the best way to measure the distance to galaxies more than 10 billion light years away? Choose the best answer.
- A. the recession velocity of nearby stars
- B. Cepheid variable stars
- C. parallax
- D. radar
- E. the recession velocity of quasars

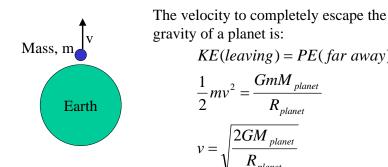


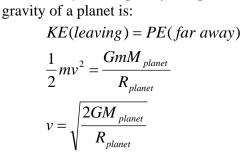






Escape Velocity





The escape velocity for the Earth is about 11 km/s. See the homework problems for examples. -21-

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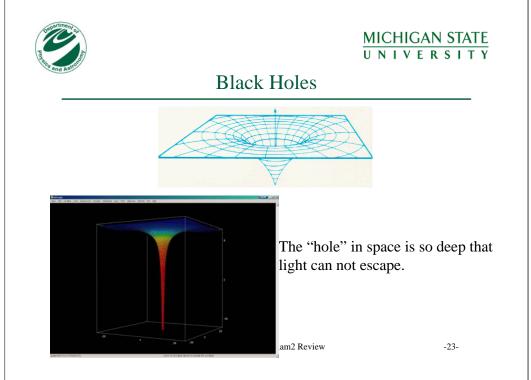
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Clicker Question

- What would happen to the escape velocity of a planet if the mass of the planet were 4 times larger?
- A. It would be 2 times larger
- B. It would be 2 times smaller
- C. It would be 4 times larger
- D. It would be 4 times smaller

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Black Holes

- Black holes act as a lens. They don't necessarily look "black".
- They range from 3 solar masses to more than a billion solar masses.
 - Small ones are formed by the collapse of a large star
 - Larger ones form at the center of galaxies
- We can tell they exist because of thing orbiting nothing, and the radiation given off as things fall into them.
- If the Sun were a black hole the Earth would still orbit it.
- The distance from the black hole where gravity is so strong that even light cannot escape is called the event horizon or the Schwarzschild radius.





The Second Law of Thermodynamics

- Statement: The entropy of an isolated system never decreases.
- Statement: No device can transform a given amount of heat completely into work.
- Statement: Natural process tend to move toward a state of greater disorder.
- Consequence: Time appears to have a direction.



Entropy

- Entropy is a measure of the number of states possible in a system. We usually use the symbol S.
- The unit is J/K (*joules/Kelvin*)
- Formula: S = k ln(W), where k=1.38E-23 J/K and W is the number of possible states of a system.
- Alternative formula: S = heat/temperature

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Two examples

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What is the entropy of a deck of cards that has one pair? Data: there are 1,098,240 to order such a deck.

S = 1.38E-23 J/K ln(1,098,240) = 1.92E-22 J/K

How much is the entropy of a glass of water increased if 1.0 J of heat is added when the water is at 295 K. Assume the temperature rise of the water is small.

S = 1.0 J / 295 K = 3.39E-3 J/K

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Coin Tosses

• Suppose we have 20 coins: HHHHHHHHH S = k ln(1) = 0

Heads	Number of ways	Entropy (J/K) *10-23
9	10	3.18
8	45	5.25
7	120	6.61
6	210	7.38
5	252	7.63
4	210	7.38
3	120	6.61
2	45	5.25
1	10	3.18

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Why does time always move in one direction?

- Inflation during the Big Bang resulted in a universe that had a very low entropy. Much too low for its size. It is like the Universe started with all heads.
- Hence, everything in the Universe moves toward reaching the correct amount of entropy.
- Time has a direction because going back in time would imply the entropy could be decreased. That is very improbable.
- The Universe tends toward increasing entropy.
- What is time?

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What is the Ultimate Fate

- 10¹⁰⁰ years all the stars will have used their fuel
- 10¹⁰⁰ to 10¹⁵⁰ years "dark ages"
- 10¹⁵⁰ years all black holes will have evaporated
- 10¹⁰⁰⁰ years the Universe will reach its lowest energy state
- The current age of the Universe is 13.7 billion years 10¹⁰ years

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What We Made Of?

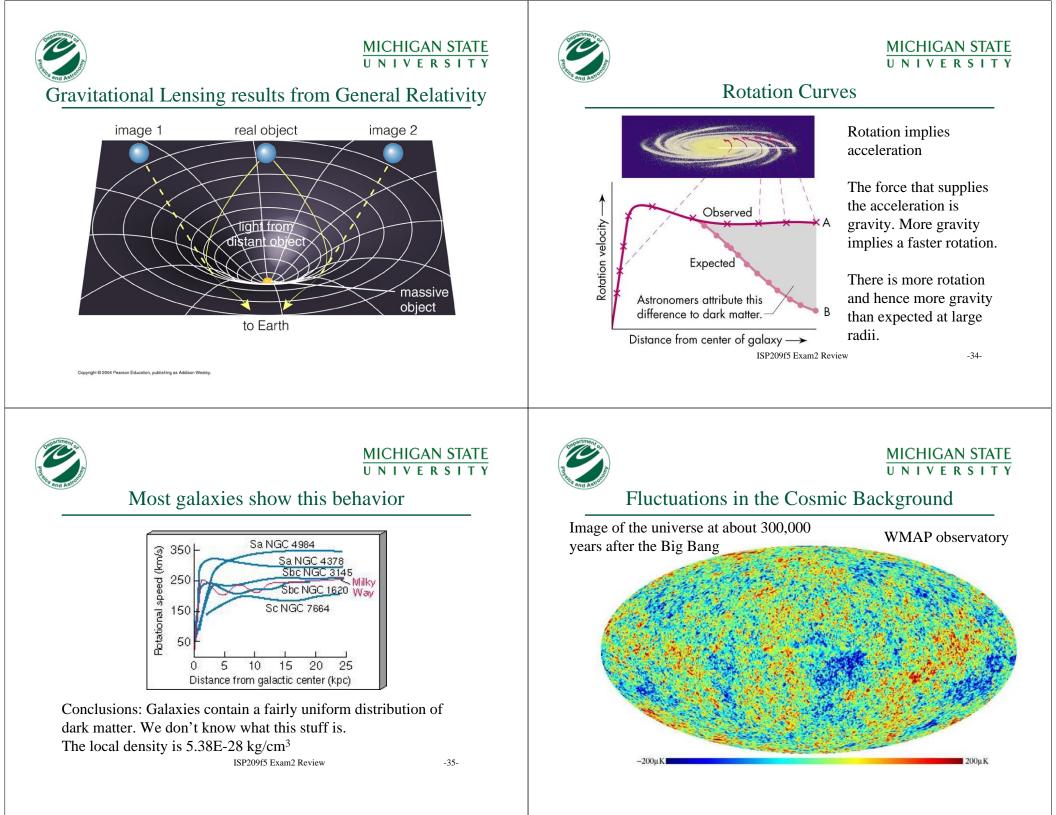
- We are made out of atoms. The size of atoms is 10⁻⁹ m = nm
- Atoms are made of nuclei and electrons (+ energy; E=mc²)
- Nuclei are made of neutrons and protons (plus the stuff that binds them, mesons)
- Neutrons, Protons and Mesons are made of quarks (10⁻¹⁶ m). We can measure down to 10⁻¹⁸ m
- What are quarks made of? The answer may be strings, but the size is 10^{-35} m too small for us to explore (at the moment).
- What are strings made of?



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Most of the Universe is Dark Matter

- There are three main pieces of evidence that there is much more mass in the universe than that from luminous matter.
 - Gravitational lensing
 - Rotation curves of galaxies
 - Fluctuations in the cosmic microwave background radiation
- It turns out that only 4% of the Universe is made of the same stuff as us.

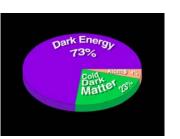






What we have learned from WMAP

- Within a 1% accuracy the Universe is 13.7 billion years old.
- We don't know what 96% of the Universe is made of.
- The first stars formed about 200 million years after the Big Bang.
- The picture of the background microwave radiation is from 379,000 years after the Big Bang.
- At the present it appears the Universe will expand forever, but since we don't know what dark energy is, this conclusion could change. ISP209f5 Exam2 Review



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What are Dark Matter and Dark Energy?

- We don't know.
- Dark energy actually acts like anti-gravity and is pushing the universe apart. We can tell this because distance supernova are moving away faster than they should.
- Dark matter is probably some type of undiscovered particle.
 - These Particles may interact by the weak force (they do interact by gravity)
 - People are looking for WIMPs (Weakly interacting massive particles)

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