

The Brans-Dicke cosmology with non-minimally coupled scalar field

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Working cosmological model:

“BB” \rightarrow Inflation \rightarrow RDE \rightarrow MDE \rightarrow de Sitter

Dynamical system theory:

an unstable node \rightarrow a saddle \rightarrow a saddle \rightarrow a saddle \rightarrow a stable node/attractor

or without BB singularity

an unstable node \rightarrow a saddle \rightarrow a saddle \rightarrow a stable node/attractor

We start from the total action of the theory

$$S = S_g + S_\psi ,$$

consisting of the gravitational part described by the standard Einstein-Hilbert action integral

$$S_g = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R ,$$

where $\kappa^2 = 8\pi G$, and the matter part of the theory is in the form of non-minimally coupled scalar field

$$S_\psi = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left(\varepsilon \nabla^\alpha \psi \nabla_\alpha \psi + \varepsilon \xi R \psi^2 + 2U(\psi) \right) ,$$

where $\varepsilon = +1, -1$ corresponds to the canonical and the phantom scalar field, respectively.

An asymptotically quadratic potential function

$$U(\phi) = \pm \frac{1}{2} m^2 \psi^2 \pm M^{4+n} \psi^{-n},$$

where $n > -2$

projective coordinates

$$u = \frac{\dot{\psi}}{H\psi} = \frac{d \ln \psi}{d \ln a}, \quad v = \frac{6}{\kappa^2 \psi^2},$$

the energy conservation condition

$$\left(\frac{H}{H_0} \right)^2 = \mu \frac{1 + \beta v^{1+\frac{n}{2}}}{v - \varepsilon(1 - 6\xi)u^2 - \varepsilon 6\xi(u+1)^2}$$

where

$$\mu = \pm \frac{m^2}{H_0^2}, \quad \beta = \pm 2 \left(\frac{\kappa^2}{6} \right)^{1+\frac{n}{2}} \frac{M^{4+n}}{m^2},$$

$$u^* = -\frac{2\xi}{1-4\xi}, \quad v^* = 0$$

eigenvalues

$$\lambda_1 = -4 + \frac{1}{1-4\xi}, \quad \lambda_2 = \frac{4\xi}{1-4\xi}$$

an unstable node

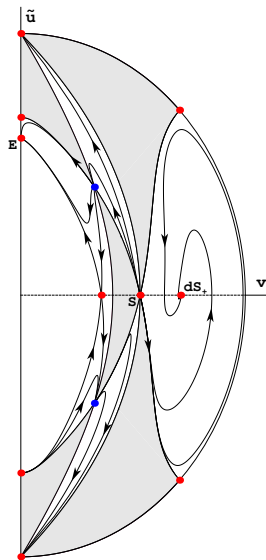
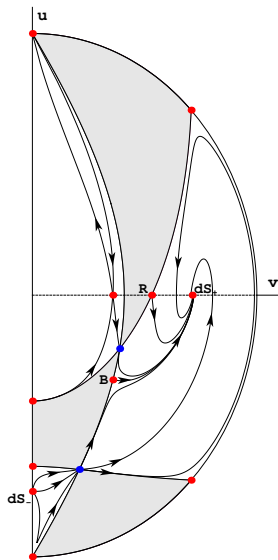
$$\frac{3}{16} < \xi < \frac{1}{4}$$

the energy conservation condition

$$\left(\frac{H(0)}{H(a_0)} \right)^2 \Bigg|^* = -\varepsilon \mu \frac{(1-4\xi)^2}{2\xi(1-6\xi)(3-16\xi)},$$

subject to condition $-\varepsilon \left(\pm \frac{m^2}{H_0^2} \right) > 0$.

Non-minimally coupled scalar field



The Brans-Dicke cosmology with ξ

The total action of the theory is

$$S = S_g + 16\pi S_\psi ,$$

consisting of the gravitational part described by the action integral

$$S_g = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left(\phi R - \frac{\omega_{\text{BD}}}{\phi} \nabla^\alpha \phi \nabla_\alpha \phi - 2V(\phi) \right) ,$$

where ω_{BD} is a dimensionless parameter of the gravitational theory and $\phi = M_{\text{Pl,eff}}^2 = \frac{1}{G_{\text{eff}}}$. The matter part of the theory is in the form of non-minimally coupled scalar field

$$S_\psi = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left(\varepsilon \nabla^\alpha \psi \nabla_\alpha \psi + \varepsilon \xi R \psi^2 + 2U(\psi, \phi) \right) ,$$

where $\varepsilon = +1, -1$ corresponds to the canonical and the phantom scalar field, respectively, and ξ is a dimensionless parameter of the substantial part of the theory.

Dynamics in dimensionless dynamical variables

The potential functions for the scalar fields

$$V(\phi) = \Lambda\phi, \quad U(\psi, \phi) = \pm \frac{1}{2} m^2 \psi^2 \pm M^{2(2-m)} \phi^m \left(\frac{\psi^2}{\phi} \right)^{-n}.$$

Dimensionless dynamical variables

$$x = \frac{\dot{\phi}}{\phi H} = \frac{d \ln \phi}{d \ln a}, \quad u = \frac{\dot{\psi}}{\psi H} = \frac{d \ln \psi}{d \ln a}, \quad \bar{v} = \frac{3}{4\pi} \frac{\phi}{\psi^2}, \quad w = \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0} \right)^{m-1} \bar{v}^n.$$

Dimensionless parameters

$$\mu = \pm \frac{m^2}{H_0^2}, \quad \alpha = \pm \frac{\Lambda}{3m^2}, \quad \beta = \pm 2 \left(\frac{4\pi}{3} \right)^{n+1} \frac{M^{2(2-m)}}{m^2 \phi_0^{1-m}}.$$

Dynamics in dimensionless dynamical variables

The energy conservation condition, i.e. the Hubble function

$$\left(\frac{H(a)}{H(a_0)} \right)^2 = \mu \frac{\alpha \bar{v} + 1 + \beta w \bar{v}}{\bar{v} \left(1 - \frac{\omega_{\text{BD}}}{6} x^2 + x \right) - \varepsilon \left((1 - 6\xi) u^2 + 6\xi (u + 1)^2 \right)},$$

and the acceleration equation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} = & -2 + \frac{1}{\frac{3+2\omega_{\text{BD}}}{2\omega_{\text{BD}}} \bar{v} - \varepsilon 6\xi(1-6\xi)} \left\{ -\frac{3+2\omega_{\text{BD}}}{2\omega_{\text{BD}}} x^2 \bar{v} - \varepsilon(1-6\xi) u^2 + \right. \\ & + \frac{2}{\mu} \left(\frac{H(a)}{H(a_0)} \right)^{-2} \left(\left(1 + \frac{3}{4\omega_{\text{BD}}} \right) \alpha \bar{v} + (1-3\xi) + \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \left(1 + 3\xi n + \frac{3}{4\omega_{\text{BD}}} (m+n) \right) \beta w \bar{v} \right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{d \ln a} = & -\frac{1}{2}x(x+2) - \left(x - \frac{3}{\omega_{\text{BD}}}\right) \left(\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} + 2\right) - \\ & - \frac{3}{\omega_{\text{BD}}\mu} \left(\frac{H(a)}{H(a_0)}\right)^{-2} (\alpha + (m+n)\beta w),\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{du}{d \ln a} = & -u(u+1) - (u+6\xi) \left(\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} + 2\right) - \\ & - \frac{\varepsilon}{\mu} \left(\frac{H(a)}{H(a_0)}\right)^{-2} (1 - n\beta w\bar{v}),\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d\bar{v}}{d \ln a} = -2\bar{v} \left(u - \frac{1}{2}x\right),$$

$$\frac{dw}{d \ln a} = -2w \left(nu - \frac{1}{2}(m+n-1)x\right).$$

Asymptotic de Sitter state

Critical points

$$x_{1,2}^* = -3 \pm 3 \sqrt{\frac{2}{3\omega_{\text{BD}}} \left(\frac{4 + 3\omega_{\text{BD}}}{2} + \varepsilon \alpha \frac{2\xi(1 - 6\xi)(3 - 16\xi)}{(1 - 4\xi)^2} \right)},$$
$$u^* = -\frac{2\xi}{1 - 4\xi}, \quad \bar{v}^* = 0, \quad w^* = 0.$$

The energy conservation condition and the acceleration equation

$$\left(\frac{H(a)}{H(a_0)} \right)^2 \Big|_* = -\varepsilon \mu \frac{(1 - 4\xi)^2}{2\xi(1 - 6\xi)(3 - 16\xi)} > 0,$$
$$\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} \Big|_* = 0.$$

(In)Stability of the de Sitter state

The eigenvalues of the linearisation matrix

$$\lambda_1 = -3 - x^*, \quad \lambda_2 = -\frac{3 - 16\xi}{1 - 4\xi},$$
$$\lambda_3 = \frac{4\xi}{1 - 4\xi} + x^*, \quad \lambda_4 = \frac{4\xi}{1 - 4\xi}n + (m + n - 1)x^*.$$

The asymptotic state is unstable with respect to expansion of the Universe iff

$$\lambda_i > 0.$$

Conformal Invariance and extra dimensions

For the non-minimally coupled scalar field with the potential function $U(\psi) = U_0\psi^p$:

$$\xi = \xi_{\text{conf}} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{D-2}{D-1}, \quad p = p_{\text{conf}} = \frac{2D}{D-2},$$

For the Brans-Dicke scalar field with the potential function $V(\phi) = V_0\phi^q$:

$$\omega_{\text{BD}} = -\frac{D-1}{D-2}, \quad q = q_{\text{conf}} = \frac{D}{D-2}.$$

In this way we obtain a discrete set of theoretically allowed values of the dimensionless coupling constants of the theory suggested by the conformal invariance condition of the scalar fields in $D \geq 2$ space-time dimensions:

$$\{(D, \xi, p, \omega_{\text{BD}}, q)\} = \left\{ (2, 0, \infty, -\infty, \infty), \left(3, \frac{1}{8}, 6, -2, 3\right), \left(4, \frac{1}{6}, 4, -\frac{3}{2}, 2\right), \right. \\ \left. \left(5, \frac{3}{16}, \frac{10}{3}, -\frac{4}{3}, \frac{5}{3}\right), \left(6, \frac{1}{5}, 3, -\frac{5}{4}, \frac{3}{2}\right), \dots, \left(\infty, \frac{1}{4}, 2, -1, 1\right) \right\}.$$

(In)Stability of the de Sitter state

$$\mu = \pm \frac{m^2}{H_0^2}, \quad \alpha = \pm \frac{\Lambda}{m^2}$$

For $m = 1$ the initial de Sitter state is unstable with respect to the expansion

$$\frac{3}{16} < \xi < \frac{1}{4}, \quad n > 0, \quad \varepsilon\mu < 0, \quad -\frac{1}{6\xi} < \varepsilon\alpha < \frac{(1-4\xi)^2}{16\xi^2(1-6\xi)}.$$

$$U(\psi, \phi) = \pm \frac{1}{2} m^2 \psi^2 \pm M^2 \phi^{1+n} \psi^{-2n}$$

For $n = -2$ the initial de Sitter state is unstable with respect to the expansion

$$\frac{3}{16} < \xi < \frac{1}{4}, \quad m \leq \frac{9-44\xi}{3(1-4\xi)}, \quad \varepsilon\mu < 0, \quad -\frac{1}{6\xi} < \varepsilon\alpha < \frac{(1-4\xi)^2}{16\xi^2(1-6\xi)}.$$

$$U(\psi, \phi) = \pm \frac{1}{2} m^2 \psi^2 \pm M^{2(2-m)} \phi^{m-2} \psi^4$$

A new dynamical GR limit

The equation of motion for the effective gravitational coupling constant

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{d \ln a} = & -\frac{1}{2}x(x+2) - \left(x - \frac{3}{\omega_{\text{BD}}}\right) \left(\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} + 2\right) - \\ & - \frac{3}{\omega_{\text{BD}}\mu} \left(\frac{H(a)}{H(a_0)}\right)^{-2} (\alpha + (m+n)\beta w), \end{aligned}$$

GR limit: $\phi = \text{const.} = M_{\text{Pl}}^2 = \frac{1}{G_N} \Rightarrow x = \frac{d \ln \phi}{d \ln a} = 0 \quad \& \quad \frac{dx}{d \ln a} = 0.$

$$\frac{3}{\omega_{\text{BD}}} \left(\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} + 2 - \frac{1}{\mu} \left(\frac{H(a)}{H(a_0)} \right)^{-2} (\alpha + (m+n)\beta w) \right) = 0.$$

A new dynamical GR limit

Invariant manifold in 4-dimensional phase space

$$\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} + 2 - \frac{1}{\mu} \left(\frac{H(a)}{H(a_0)} \right)^{-2} (\alpha + (m+n)\beta w) = 0$$

can be solved for one of the dynamical variables

$$w = w(u, \bar{v}).$$

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