Numerology: The Size of the Cosmological Constant

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Introduction.

The Cosmological Constant, λ , if it indeed exists, has a non-zero size. Its size today seems to be of the order of $9x10^{-36}$ s⁻²[1]. Understanding why it is so small yet not zero is one of the concerns of cosmologists today, see for example, [2].

In this paper there is no physics and virtually no mathematics either, just numerology.

Model of the Cosmological Constant.

Propose that the cosmological constant is a function of time from the Big Bang, t, $\lambda(t)$.

t

$$\lambda(t) = \frac{c^2}{s(t)}$$
 where $s(t)$ is the surface area of the universe at time

and c is the speed of light.

 $s(t) = 4\pi R(t)^2$ where R(t) is the radius of the universe at time t

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(t) = \frac{c^2}{4\pi R(t)^2}$$

now let R(t) = ct

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(t) = \frac{c^2}{4\pi c^2 t^2}$$
$$\Rightarrow \lambda(t) = \frac{1}{4\pi t^2} \text{ seconds}^{-2}$$

Present Day

Age of universe 13.7 Billion years so $t = 4.32 \times 10^{17}$ seconds therefore

$$\lambda(t) = \frac{1}{4\pi (4.32 \times 10^{-17})^2} = 4.26 \times 10^{-37} \text{ s}^{-2}$$

compares to today's estimate [1]of 9x10⁻³⁶ s⁻²

At Inflation Start

Age of universe was $t = 1 \times 10^{-36}$ seconds therefore

$$\lambda(t) = \frac{1}{4\pi (1 \times 10^{-36})^2} = 7.96 \times 10^{+70} \text{ s}^{-2}$$

At Inflation Stop

Age of universe was $t = 1 \times 10^{-32}$ seconds therefore

$$\lambda(t) = \frac{1}{4\pi (1 \times 10^{-32})^2} = 7.96 \times 10^{+62} \text{ s}^{-2}$$

Published data [2] gives λ (inflation) of the order of 10^{68} to 10^{76} s⁻²

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