Cosmology I

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Schedule

Introduction, Einstein equations: 4 March 2024.

Schwartzschild metric: 7 March. The event horizon: 11 March. Photon capture radius: 14 March.

Introduction to FLRW models: 18 March. First intermediate test, start: 18 March.

Friedmann-Lemaitre-Robertson-Walker metric: 21 March.

First intermediate test, end: 25 March, 11 am.

The Hubble law: 25 March.

Friedmann equations from Einstein equations: 1 April. Friedmann equations, Einstein-de Sitter model: 4 April.

Horizons: 8 April.

Flat and non-flat models: 11 April.

Models with Λ : 15 April.

Second intermediate test, start: 15 April.

Second intermediate test, end: 29 April, 11 am.

Second intermediate test, discussion: 29 April.

Introduction to the early Universe: 6 May.

Thermodynamics of the early Universe: 9 May.

Planck time and phase transitions: 13 May.

Problems of the hot big bang: 16 May.

Inflation: 20 May.

Quantum fields in an expanding Universe: 23 May. Thermal history of the early Universe: 30 May.

Big bang nucleosynthesis: 3 June.

Recombination: 6 June.

Third intermediate test, start: 6 June.

Precision cosmology: 10 June.

Third intermediate test, end: 13 June, 11 am. Third intermediate test, discussion: 13 June.

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