Cosmology I

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Schedule

Observational facts in cosmology: 1 March 2021.

Special relativity: 3 March. Tensors in SR: 8 March.

Fluids in SR, tensor calculus in SR: 10 March.

Tensor calculus in SR for polar coordinates: 15 March.

Curved manifolds: 17 March. The curvature tensor: 22 March. The Einstein's equations: 24 March.

Physics in a curved space-time: 29 March.

Black holes: 31 March.

An introduction to FRW models: 5 April.

Robertson-Walker metric: 7 April. First intermediate test, start: 7 April.

The Hubble law: 12 April.

First intermediate test, delivery: 14 April.

Discussion with students on first test: 21 April.

Friedmann equations from Einstein equations: 3 May.

Flat models, horizons: 5 May. Flat and non-flat models: 10 May.

Models with Λ : 12 May.

Introduction to the early Universe: 17 May. Thermodynamics of the early Universe: 19 May.

Second intermediate test, start: 19 May. Quantum fields in a FRW universe: 24 May Second intermediate test, delivery: 26 May.

Inflation: 26 May.

Discussion with students on second test: TBD.

Big bang nucleosynthesis: 31 May.

Recombination: 7 June.

Third intermediate test, start: 7 June.

Precision cosmology: 9 June

Third intermediate test, delivery: 12 June.

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