Cosmology I

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Schedule

Introduction, Einstein equations: 4 March 2024.

Schwartzschild metric: 8 March. The event horizon: 11 March. Photon capture radius: 15 March.

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

Friedmann-Lemaitre-Robertson-Walker metric: 22 March.

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

The Hubble law: 25 March.

Friedmann equations from Einstein equations: 5 April.

Friedmann equations, flat models: 8 April.

Horizons: 12 April.

Flat and non-flat models: 15 April.

Models with Λ : 19 April.

Second intermediate test, lab work: 22 April. Second intermediate test, end: 22 April, 11 am. Introduction to the early Universe: 29 April. Thermodynamics of the early Universe: 3 May. Planck time and phase transitions: 10 May. Problems of the hot big bang: 13 May.

Inflation: 17 May.

Quantum fields in an expanding Universe: 20 May. Thermal history of the early Universe: 24 May.

Big bang nucleosynthesis: 27 May.

Recombination: 31 May.

Third intermediate test, lab work: 3 June.

Precision cosmology: 7 June.

Third intermediate test, delivery: 10 June, 11 am.

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